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1. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-01 07:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1325401201@panix.com>
Source record: 3818
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

2. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1043

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-01 14:42:14 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <885260.3341.qm@smtp108.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3819
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1043
January 2, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, WO2N, N3QQ, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), W0GJ, A35RK/A35A, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DL7AOS, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3SWH, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK2QPR, OH2BH, ON4IA, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's-DX-Newsdesk, PT7WA, RSGB IOTA Web Site, SV1HER, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE2XB and VHF-DX-Portal for the following DX information.

*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy New Year". Thanks to the many individuals who have provided DX information over the past year. Without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin. Also, thanks to the individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....
73 and Have a Great/Safe/Healthy New Year de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT:
According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-December, through Sunday, 1st-January there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3,

ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND. Eric, OE4AAC, will be active as 3B9/OE4AAC from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between February 14-21st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW. QSL via OE4AAC.

3DA, SWAZILAND (Update). Operators Phil/G3SWH and John/G3OLU (aka EA5ARC) will be active as 3DA0PW from the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland between February 21-29th. The Hawane Resort has a well equipped station with Elecraft K3 transceivers, ICOM IC2KL amplifiers, an A4S at 24m and an A3WS at 20m, a wire 4 square for 40m and a vertical for 80m complete with 30 x 20m long radials. Activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility on Phil's Web site <www.g3swh.org.uk> (preferred), direct with SAE and adequate return postage, or via the Bureau. Subject to a good Internet connection, there will be an on-line log on Phil's Web site and daily uploads to LoTW. The 3DA0PW Web site is now up and running at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/3da0pw.html

4G, PHILIPPINES (Special Event). Look for special event station 4G0LD to be active during 2012. Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur Radio League (PARL). QSL via the Bureau. Also, the PARL is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio stations that have established two-way communications with at least twelve (12) QSOs with PARL members. Look for more details at: http://www.dx1l.dxhams.net/events.htm

5H, TANZANIA. Maurizio, IK2GZU, will once again return to the "Mission Ilembula" to do some work at the new hospital and orphanage between March 4th and April 4th. He plans to be active during his spare time as 5H3MB on the HF bands. Maurizio will use his FT-100 and the mission's TS-850 into a tri-band 3 element beam (20/15/10m) fixed on Europe and a vertical or dipole for the other bands. QSL via IK2GZU, direct or by the Bureau. Also, LoTW (after his return home).

6Y5, JAMAICA. Gerhard, OE3GEA, will be active as OE3GEA/6Y5 from Jamaica (NA-097, WLOTA 0214) between February 2-12th. Activity will be holiday style, mainly CW, operating only 50 watts into an Outbacker antenna or dipole. QSL via his home callsign.

9A20, CROATIA (Special Event). Look for several Croatian stations to use the "9A20" prefix from now until December 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the 9A prefix for Croatia. Details for a special "9A 20" award are available at: http://www.hamradio.hr

9H, MALTA. Peter, G3PHO, will be active as 9H3C from Gozo Island (EU-023) between March 8-15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters and possibly 160m. Look for him to be an entry in the RGSB Commonwealth Contest. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

A3, TONGA (News). Paul Kidd, A35RK/A35A, informs OPDX the following two news items from Tonga:
1) A35CT is no longer in Tonga....Craig left for the States, and he isn't coming back anytime soon...certainly not within the next year.

2) A35A (A35RK) is packing up to leave Tonga very soon. A final departure date is set for 16th January 2012, and there is no definite return date. Paul states, "I will be taking down antennas and packing radios for shipment to the States in 2 days (December 31st)." His last date of activity was December 30th. A35RK/A35A has been active from Tonga since 4th May 1994, but that is about to end for an indefinite period of time. Any lingering QSLs are good via LoTW or W7TSQ.

ARRL DXCC DIAMOND AWARD. During the year 2012, the ARRL's DXCC Award program will be celebrating their 75th anniversary, and as you know this is the world's preeminent DXing award. So reaching this "Diamond milestone", the ARRL decided to celebrate this event by going back to the roots of the award, and specifically reading the 1937 DXCC List (January 1937 QST, pages 52-53) to learn what countries were counted at the onset which led them to create the "Diamond DXCC Challenge". The country list that they will be using for the "Diamond DXCC Challenge" is based upon the list of 231 places shown in 1937. The list is available at: http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Diamond%20DXCC/QST_Jan_1937_p52-53.pdf The League has added some interesting twists to this award (ex. where working one country may count for two entities!). The "Diamond DXCC Challenge" is an "Honor Award" and will not require acquisition or inspection of QSLs or proof of confirmation. The Diamond DXCC certificate will be available for working 100 of the 226 entities and will be endorsable at 5 levels: 125, 150, 175, 200, and 225. If anyone works all 226, there will be a special award for that remarkable achievement! There will also be awards for the top finishers. For complete details and picture of the award, go to:
http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-diamond-dxcc-challenge

CCF NEWSLETTER. Martti, OH2BH, reports that the latest and last 2011 issue of the Contest Club Finland's Newsletter, PileUp! - is now available online. This will also be the last publication by the current editorial team. The newsletter is in English (for most part) and includes interesting articles, and can be viewed at:
http://www.helsinki.fi/~korpela/PU/PU5_2011.pdf

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Postponed!). The latest update, dated December 30th, states (edited): "Hi Everyone - Unfortunately, we had to postpone the Sable Island CY0 DXpedition due to the landing area on the island being under water. A winter storm with 20+ foot swells pushed water onto the sand 'runway' on Wednesday evening. Al Wilson, the OIC on Sable, made an assessment of the landing area yesterday. Ron and I talked with Al

and there was no possibility of a flight to the island in the next five days. After that, it would depend on how quickly the water would drain from the landing area and if any other storms affect the island. At that point, we decided to postpone the DXpedition.
Needless to say, we are extremely disappointed that we have had to postpone the DXpedition. We have learned first-hand there is really no season of the year that is ideal for flights. Late yesterday morning we met with Ted of Maritime Air. Ted advised it has been the worst year he has experienced as far as scheduling flights. Maritime Air provides logistical flight services to Environment Canada on the island.
Even though we are disappointed, we are not defeated. Maritime Air allowed us to store our gear to help facilitate our next attempt. We are discussing two options with the Sable Island station.
We appreciate your interest in the DXpedition. We have received a lot of encouragement from DX'ers around the world. Continue to check the DXpedition Web site for updates at: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com
73, Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN"

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-014. Abdullah, A61AM/A41WW, will be active possibly as A41WW/M or A41WW/P from Masirah Island on January 1st. Activity will be on 80/40/20/17/15/10 meters SSB only. QSL via EA5ZD.

EU-125. Stefan, DL7AOS, will once again be using the special callsign 5P5K from Romo Island between March 10-24th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using a FT-857 with a 1kW amp into a vertical antenna near the beach. Look for 5P5K to also be operating in the Russian DX Contest (March 17-18th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via DL7AOS, direct using the QRZ.com address or by the Bureau. Last year's activity can be seen on Youtube at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;8lvxlOf9Q

NA-168. Operators Dana/AD5VC, Wayne/K5DF, David/K5DFD, Jim/N5IB, Jerry/W5AJD and David/W5XU will be active as W5GIX from Grand Isle, in the Louisiana State South East IOTA group between January 6-8th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, possibly 6m, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via W5GIX.

NA-240. (Reminder/Update/NEW IOTA!) Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC) and with the support of the Bethel Amateur Radio Club (BARK) will activate the last new IOTA in Alaska in the Bethel County IOTA Group around January 5-8th (estimated dates -- depending on weather and transportation availability). The callsign will be KL7RRC/p. The group's main reason for this winter activation is to help jump start the RSGB IOTA Marathon. See details at: http://www.rsgbiota.org/marathon/index.php
The current team members are: Yuri N3QQ and Tim/NL8F. QSL via UA9OBA (Europe/Russia) and N7RO; either manager can confirm any contact. For more details, updates and "real time team's location" can be seen at: http://www.na-234.com

OC-136. Operators Peter/VK3ZPF, Matt/VK2ADF and Kevin/VK3KAB will be
active as VK3SAT from French Island between January 7-8th.
Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using wire antennas.
Suggested frequencies and times of band operations are available
on QRZ.com. They will carry most of the gear in backpacks and
will be joined by three or four others who will be kayaking
across from Stony Point. QSL via VK3SAA.

SA-028. Operators Orlando/PT2OP and Fred/PY2XB will be active as PV2PC
and ZX2S, respectively, from Sao Sebastiao Island (ARLHS
BRA-223, WLOTA L-1007, DFB SP-14) between February 23-27th.
QSL PV2PC via PT2OP and ZX2S via PT7WA.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For January). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of January:
GX4BJC/A - Operated /A from Stratton, near Bude in Cornwall, by Mike/
M0SMJ. (/A WAB Square ﷿S20 - England & IOTA ﷿U-005).

MX1SWL/A & MX1SWL/P - Operated /A from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire,
by Tom/G3RPV. (/A WAB Square ﷿L27 - England & IOTA EU-005). (/P WAB Details will be given at the time of the QSO).
For more information, see <http://www.iswl.org.uk> or QRZ.com and eQSL.cc

J7, DOMINICA (Update). Mike, VE2XB, will be active as J79XB from Dominica
(NA-101) starting January 5th (2012) for several weeks. Activity will be
holiday style on all bands 160-10 meters and possibly 6m if there are
openings. He states that he will be concentrating a bit more on 80/40/30
meters and of course the other bands including 17/12 meters as conditions
allow. QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com for address and details) with SASE and
CDN stamps or 2 IRCs or 2 greenbacks. The postal rates have gone up, so
take that into consideration before you send your QSL card. A Web page
is available at: http://j79xb.jimdo.com

KH2, GUAM. Take, JS6RRR, will be active as KH2/JS6RRR from Guam (OC-026,
USI GU003S, WLOTA L-0064) between February 10-14th. Activity will be on
160-6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via JS6RRR.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 2-8th)....
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K﷿ 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K﷿ 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K﷿ 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K﷿ 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K﷿9 100-400

MALPELO AND PITCAIRN DXPEDITIONS (Coordinated Frequency Plan).....
Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President (also HK0NA participant!),
reports (edited): "In less than 3 weeks two very visible DXpeditions will be
operational simultaneously from the Pacific:
VP6T - Pitcairn <www.vp6t.org> will be operational Jan. 20th–Feb 4th,
2012
HK0NA - Malpelo <hk0na.com> will be operational Jan. 21st–Feb. 8th, 2012

The leaders of each team have been in extensive band planning communica-
tions and have agreed upon the following coordinated frequency plan.

Band	HK0NA		VP6T	
	TX	RX	TX	RX
10M	CW	28024 up	28035 up	
12M	CW	24892 up	24903 up	
15M	CW	21024 up	21035 up	
17M	CW	18070 up	18083 up	
20M	CW	14024 up	14035 up	
30M	CW	10124 up	10103 up	
40M	CW	7024 up	7003 up	
80M	CW	3524 up	3503 up	
160M	CW	1833.5 up	1831.5 dwn	
JA Listening		1811-16	1819-24	

10M	SSB	28405 As Directed	28490 As Directed	
12M	SSB	24940 As Directed	24960 As Directed	
15M	SSB	21275 As Directed	21295 As Directed	
17M	SSB	18130 As Directed	18150 As Directed	
20M	SSB	14160 As Directed	14180 As Directed	
40M	SSB	7056	7195+/- 7085 As Directed	
80M	SSB	3770 As Directed	3790 up/dwn	
160M	SSB	1845 up		

10M	RTTY	28080 up	28108 up/dwn	
12M	RTTY	24920 up	24928 dwn	
15M	RTTY	21080 up	21098 up	
17M	RTTY	18098.5 dwn/up	18108 dwn	
20M	RTTY	14080 up	14088 up/dwn	
30M	RTTY	10142 dwn	10144 up	
40M	RTTY	7038 dwn	7048 up	
80M	RTTY	3586 dwn	3588 up	
160M	RTTY	1845 up		

Please visit their Web sites above for latest details."

NCDXF CHRISTMAS GIFT. Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President, informed
OPDX on December 25th (edited): "Today, the Northern California DX
Foundation announced a 'Christmas gift' of 500 USDs to help rebuild and
re-equip the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand's (RAST) HS0AC Club station
that was destroyed by recent flooding.
By now, you may have heard about the severe floods in Thailand this
past fall, resulting in devastating damage everywhere -- including the

Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) and their famous 'HS0AC' club
station which were completely destroyed. This website shows it all in
horrific detail: http://www.qsl.net/rast
RAST is also part of the Asian Technical Institute. The HS0AC club
station is located within the Institute. http://www.ait.ac.th
Please help Thailand hams by donating any amount via PayPal at
donate@rast.or.th during this season of giving. All donations will go
entirely to rebuilding the station.
For the past 40 years, NCDXF had not only been funding major DXpeditions,
but is also committed to education and scholarships.
Merry Christmas to all and Healthy New Year filled with DX!!!"

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Paolo, IK2QPR, will be active as PJ7/IK2QPR from
Sint Maarten (NA-105) between January 8-16th. Activity will be holiday
style on the HF bands. QSL via IK2QPR at: Paolo Fava, via Bertani 8
46100 Mantova, ITALY.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 25th and January 1st)

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4L6DL via LZ1OT EA8/PA3LEO via PA3LEO ON44NUTS via ON4RCA
4T100MP via OA4O EA8/PD1DX via PD1DX OX3O via OZ5DE
5Q4B via OZ5EV EH2MDB via EA2URV PB11XMAS via PB5X
5V7SI via JA1PBV EM20LTD via UR3LTD PJ2/K8ND via K8ND
6Y5/KD8EZU via KD8EZU FM5WE via K4FJ PR2B via 6K5YPD
6Y5/N0YCM via N0YCM GX4HRC/A via G3SVK RU0LL via IK2DUW
9A202AA via 9A2AA HA40KKC via HA5MA SE2I via SA2BRN
9G5SI via JA1PBV HH2/HB9AMO via PA7FM SP/DL6EBH via DL6EBH
9Q6CC via CX2CC HK3/DL6IAK via DL6IAK TG9NX via N4FKZ
A52ATV via JA4ATV II2ITAL via IK2AQZ TI7/N5BEK via N5BEK
AU50GOA via VU2SMS II4LXV via IZ4OUL V5/DH3WO via DH3WO
C6ANM via WA2IYO (LoTW) II4PRI via IZ1JKW V5/DJ2HD via DJ2HD
CT3AS via DJ8FW IQ3LE via IZ3DBA V51W via DF3GY
DL5M via DL1FY JD1BLY via JI5RPT VE2CSI via M0URX
DP3LUNA via DK1PM K3N via N3YIM WH0AU via JP3WAU
EA6/G3SZU via M0OXO K6AAX/VY2 via K6AAX XR45EI via CE1SZZ
EA6QM via EA6AZ KG2A/VP9 via KG2A YO800KNX via YO6CUF
EA8/DB5FP via DB5FP KL7/N1TX via N1TX Z21LS via DE1ZHB
EA8/DH2MS via DH2MS KP4MS via W4DN ZT1T via ZS1AFS
EA8/DL8JJ/M via DL8JJ OL950CHEB via OK1MO

9J2CA QSL MANAGER. Phil, G3SWH, reports, "I've just resumed QSL Manager-
ship for James, 9J2CA, in Lusaka, Zambia. James is mainly QRV on the
digital modes with the occasional foray onto CW. QSL direct only. There
is an on-line log search at: http://www/g3swh.org.uk/9j2ca.html "

SX100A. A special QSL card or Award plaque will be available on request
from the Radio Amateur Association of Greece. The anniversary plaque
cost is 30 Euro + 2 Euro Paypal expenses. The design of plaque can be
viewed at: http://www.qrz.com/db/sx100a

For any additional information, please send an E-mail to: sv1her@raag.org

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4L4WW, 9V1RM, BD4FM, BU2AI, C6ANM, CN3A, CW5W, DL7VEE, DR1A, E51MAN, E51NOU, EA3QP, EA4TX, ED3A, EF8R, F5LQ, FO8RZ, FY5KE, GM7TUD, KH7Y, NP3CW, OK1BN, OQ5M, OS8A, PA3YH, PJ2/W9JUV, PJ4A, PJ4LS, PY1GQ, RN4ABD, ST2AR, T32J, TK4W, TM6M, UW2ZM, V51YJ, VE3MM, VE6WP, VP2MTA, XE1MM, XF3/IZ2LSC and YN2CC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3XY1D, 5T0JL, 5W0OJ, 5X1GS, 7Q7GM, 7Z1AA, A52DL, A71A, A73A, BD4CQ, C21UF, C6ANM, CP4DR, EA8/DL3GCS, EI6S, J39BS, JT5DX, OY1CT, P29CW, PJ2/K8LEE, TA1CQ, TF8GX, TM0INT, UA2F, VK9CX, VP5/W5CW, XV4YY, ZB2FK, ZD7BG, ZD7VC and ZD8F

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D2CI, 3D2CY, 3D2DX, 3W9R, 4W6A, 4Z1UF, 6W/LA9DL, 9J2YO, 9K/SP4R, 9M2/LA9DL, 9M8DX/2, A23SL, A61AS, BT1OB, BT1OJ, C37URA, C36VM, CR2X, CU3AC, CU3CP, CU3CY, CU3EM, CU3FV, CU3HN, E41/OK1DTP, FT5GA, H7/K9GY, J88XF, JW1ECA, JW5X, JW7QIA, JW7XX, JW8DW, JW9DL, K4M, LW3DG, OJ0LA, OX/DF9TM, PJ2/DL5RDP, PJ2/K2NV, PJ4/W9NJY, PJ5/AH6HY, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ5/SP6IXF, SM3VAC, TB0DX, TC0DX, TF/LA9SN, TX5SPA, YM0DX, YU8HI, Z38AV and ZL4M

T8, PALAU (Update). Operators Mike/JA6EGL, Yasu/JA6UBY, Masa/JH6KXG and Yu/JE6DND will be active as T88SM, T88CP, T88BI and T88HK, respectively, from Koror Island (OC-009) between January 11-19th. Mike and Yu will only stay until January 16th. Activity will be 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns (direct only).

TN, CONGO (Update). Look for six operators to be active as TN2T from the Republic of the Congo between January 22-31st. Using three stations, the DXpedition will be active on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Their suggested frequencies are available on the TN2T Web page, was well as a "most wanted" band survey. Operators mentioned are Patrick/ON4HIL/OT2A, Marc/ON6CC/OR3A, Luc/ON4IA/OR2M, Ronald/PA3EWP, Carlo/ON4BR/OO4T and Stefaan/ON4FG/OP4T. QSL Manager is M0URX. More details and updates are available on the TN2T Web page at: http://www.tn2t.be

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators YL Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will once again be active as V21ZG from Antigua (NA-100) between March 5-31st. Their holiday activity will be focused on 15-6 meters, looking for JA and QRP stations, operating mainly on SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via DL7AFS.

VP9,BERMUDA. Kurt, W6PH, will be active as VP9/W6PH for the 2012 ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry, and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Op (w/N6WIN)/Single/ Low-Power entry. QSL direct to his home callsign W6PH.

XU7, CAMBODIA. Operators Alex/UA9YAB and Alex/UA9YPS will be active as XU7YAB and XU7YPS, respectively, from Cambodia between January 3-6th. They are also planning a side trip to IOTA AS-133. QSL XU7YAB via his home callsign direct or LoTW. QSL XU7YPS via his home callsign direct.

YS3, EL SALVADOR. Luca, IW2CXJ, will be active as YS3/IW2CXJ between January 11-24th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using

a Cushcraft R7 vertical and 100 watts. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct to
his home callsign.

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3. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 18th December 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-01 21:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120101210003.BD62D33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3820
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 18th December 2011

Seasons Greetings & Happy Christmas 2011

The Officers and Committee of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society wish everyone seasons greetings and a happy Christmas. Thank you for your support in 2011 and we look forward to your continued support in 2012, as we continue to serve you in our 80th anniversary year. Good wishes to everyone for a good and prosperous New Year.

Athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh!

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary next year. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at /irts / dot/ie

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IRTS News Radio News Service

This is the last IRTS radio news bulletin for 2011. The next radio news bulletin will be January 8th 2012. The radio news editor thanks everyone who regularly submits items for

inclusion in the radio news service.

Revised HAREC Examination Format

Following recent consultations with ComReg on the renewal of the agreement under which IRTS administer the examinations for the HAREC qualification, we are pleased to announce that ComReg has approved a change in the format of the examination: it will, in future, consist of two sections, each containing 30 questions. The pass mark is 60% and a pass is required in each of the two main sections of the paper, Section A - Amateur Radio Regulations and Related Topics and Section B - Radio Theory and Related Topics. There have been no significant changes to

the content of the Syllabus and Notes for Candidates which was published in June 2010, however its layout has been adjusted to conform to the revised structure mentioned above. In addition, a new Annex has been included containing the principal national call sign prefixes for Europe and North America, knowledge of which is required for the examination. Intending candidates are advised to study the Syllabus carefully paying particular attention to the associated Notes for Candidates and the Annexes to the Syllabus The web page at www.irts.ie/downloads contains a link to the syllabus with the adjusted layout. This page also includes a link to an IRTS document Studying for the Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate which includes both the syllabus and a new Sample Paper. A revised CD Course Guide, which is closely aligned with the Syllabus topics and the revised examination format, is at an advanced stage of preparation and will be available in the New Year.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The Tipperary Amateur Radio Group Would Like to wish all Radio Amateurs and Shortwave Listeners a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year and a thank you to Group members who read the news and helped out at the various events over the year.

Teenager Wins IRTS Contest Award

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is delighted that a teenage member, Jamie Nelson 2i0MFB won an Award in the IRTS Autumn 2 metre Counties Contest.

The results in the December issue of Echo Ireland show Jamie winning the OEI Award - best station outside EI - in the Low Power Portable section. His portable station was up on Carnmore, near the Club's Repeater GB3CP and not far from his Magheraveely home in south east Fermanagh. Lat year this same award was won by another radio amateur in that same part of the county, David Corbett MI0VKO.

Jamie at 17 years old was likely the youngest contest operator and had been a radio amateur for about 19 months at the time of the contest.

Jamie did the Club's Foundation course last year, then the examination for his Intermediate examination earlier this year. He has postponed study for the full license examination until after next summer's very important A-level examinations at Portora Royal School.

Jamie is a fine example of the kind of young people we need to recruit into amateur radio. Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is very proud of his successes.

Global Data Traffic

An interesting statistic is that by 2014, global data traffic will increase by 39 times from current levels, reaching 3.6 exabytes (around 3.9 billion gigabytes) per month, according to wireless firm Cisco.

DX News

F4FOO will operate from Togo in West Africa during the period 19 December until 4 January. He will be on 20 - 10m using SSB. The callsign to look for is 5V7MA and QSLs go via his home call.

Gerry VE6LB is returning to Dubai in the United Arab Emirates for a 3 week stay. He will be active as A6/VE6LB from 20 December until 10 January. As before this is a part time vacation operation. He will run 100w to a G5RV antenna and concentrate mainly on working 12m and 10m. QSL is via the home call and Logbook of the World.

SM6CPY will be signing 9X0PY from Rwanda from 24 December until 7 January. Cards go via his home call.

At this time of year there are often special event stations on the air with a Christmas or New Year theme. Already on the air this year is PB11XMAS from Holland. The operator is PB5X and he will be workable until New Year's Day.

IC Chip Inventors Birthday

We celebrate the birthday of the late Robert Norton Noyce, nicknamed "the Mayor of Silicon Valley". Noyce and Gordon Moore founded Intel in 1968. The integrated circuit was one of the stepping stones toward what we take for granted today, the ubiquitous microprocessor. Noyce was born on December 12, 1927 and died in 1990 at the age of 62.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

4. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1043.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-01 22:59:23 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <2431.66740.qm@smtp107.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3821
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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network and W0GJ for the following DX information.

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND (NCDXF Press Release). [dates Jan. 1st - edited]
The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce a contri-
bution of 15,000 USDs to the HK0NA Malpelo DXpedition which will take
place from January 21st to February 5-6th, 2012. Malpelo is #12 on the
DX Magazine's Most Wanted List for 2011.
Team co-leader Bob Allphin, K4UEE, states that, "Malpelo is probably
the most physically challenging DXpedition I have ever participated in.
An advance team of four (HK1MW, HK1N, HK1T & HK6F) left Christmas day
with nearly 4 tons of gear to transport to the island. They will establish
two camps, one at the 300 foot level and another at near the top at the
800 foot level and set up antennas and stations which should be ready
when the main team arrives January 21st. Without major financial support
from NCDXF, DXpeditions like this to challenging or rare locations would
not be possible." No one has ever operated from the top of the island
before, hence the western North America and Asia/Oceana have a much
higher need for Malpelo. See http://hk0na.com
For the past 40 years the NCDXF has funded major DXpeditions to many
Most Wanted Entities. The credit for these large grants goes to the
NCDXF contributors who make DX like this possible. Have you contributed
yet? <www.ncdxf.org>
73 es Happy New Year!
Glenn Johnson, W0GJ
NCDXF Vice President

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5. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 26 December - 01 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-04 02:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120104023001.C5B3B33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3822
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jan 03 2308 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
26 December - 01 January 2012

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels. Activity was moderate
on 26 December due to M-class flares from Region 1387 (S21, L = 227,
class/area Dki/290 on 27 December), the largest being a M2/Sf event
at 26/2030 UTC. Activity decreased to low levels during 27 - 28
December with most of the frequent C-class flares from Regions 1387
and 1389 (S23, L = 087, class/area Ekc/500 on 30 December). Activity
returned to moderate levels during 29 - 31 December due to M-class
flares from Region 1389. Activity decreased to low levels on 01
January with most of the flare activity from Region 1389.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit during the
period. However, a greater than 10 MeV proton flux enhancement
occurred during 25 - 26 December (peak flux 3 pfu at 26/0135 UTC)
associated with a M4/1n flare at 25/1816 UTC from Region 1387.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels.

The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels during 26 - 28 December.
Activity increased to quiet to unsettled levels on 29 December due
to weak CME passages associated with filament eruptions observed on
25 and 26 December. Field activity decreased to mostly quiet levels
during 31 December - 01 January.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
04 January - 30 January 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a slight chance
for isolated M-class activity.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.
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The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during 04 - 07 January. Normal flux levels are expected during 08 - 30 January.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during 04 - 06 January due to recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream effects. Predominantly quiet conditions are expected during 07 - 30 January.

6. The ARRL Contest Update for January 4, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-04 05:09:21 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120104041749.43B5F23FE8@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3823
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The ARRL Contest Update

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January 4, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Have you tried RTTY contesting yet? If not, the ARRL RTTY Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/contests> is coming to town this weekend and will
be a great opportunity to see how your station plays on the digital
modes. Check out AA5AU's great website for tips on how to get started.
Should you have a little spare time on Sunday, dial up the Kid's Day
<http://www.arrl.org/kids-day> frequencies and put a smile on a young
operator's face!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

A relatively untarnished issue completed 2011 although K1QX points out
that the French custom for wishing someone a happy New Year requires
only "Bonne annee" - right back atcha, Craig!

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section
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7-8 January

- ARRL RTTY Roundup
- Kid's Day--Phone
- 070 PSKFest
- CWops Weekend Mini-CWT Test
- Original QRP Contest--CW
- DARC 10 Meter Contest
- Midwinter QSO Party
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Jan 10)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Jan 11)
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Jan 13)

14-15 January

- North American QSO Party--CW
- Hunting Lions In the Air
- MI QRP Club Jan QRP Contest--CW
- WW Peace Messenger Cities
- EUCW 160 Meter Contest--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

There is lots of Dayton Hamvention contesting news to report - the 6th annual Contest University (CTU) <http://contestuniversity.com/> is now taking early-bird registrations through Jan 31. Held on May 17 at the Crowne Plaza in Dayton, Ohio, CTU offers the wit and wisdom of seasoned contest "professors" in a collegial all-day setting. New to the podium this year will be N6TR, K3NA, K7NV, XE1KK, W5WZ and K2RD along with familiar faces from years past. An additional incentive - if you have given (or will give by Dayton 2012) a talk about Amateur Radio Contesting to any club, hamfest or group since May 20, 2011 - you qualify for a $10.00 registration fee discount!

Along with Contest University, the 20th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner <http://contestdinner.com/> is now taking ticket orders, as well. This is the venue at which the year's inductees to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame are announced. The Contest Dinner is held at the Dayton Crowne Plaza on Saturday night - May 19th this year - and always features a great keynote speakers and many prizes. While you're in Dayton, don't miss the Contest Super Suite <http://contestsupersuite.com/> held on FOUR straight nights (Thursday - Saturday) in the Miami Ballroom of the Crowne Plaza. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

David K2DSL has create a web application <http://www.k2dsl.com/2011/12/17/create-a-google-map-of-your-adif-contacts/> that reads an ADIF file generated from your logging program and creates a Google map of the contacts. You upload the ADIF file and the application displays a map in return. Each contact must include a latitude/longitude or grid square in order for it to show up. That information is available from QRZ.com <http://qrz.com/> or Hamcall <http://hamcall.net/call>. See the website and the FAQ for more information on this creative service.

Working in parallel with David, Sebastian LW4HR has developed GeLog <https://sites.google.com/site/sdimunzio/english>, an online tool for visualizing contacts on a Google map globe from an ADIF file. To use the tool, you'll need a QRZ.com <http://qrz.com/> data subscription for the lat/lon coordinates. Not only do the contacts appear on the globe, but so do the daylight and nighttime areas and the Sun zooms around the globe, too! Very nice work!

An updated and edited version of the upcoming ARRL International DX Contest rules has been published and the ARRL is looking for volunteers to translate the rules into other languages. If you can help, please contact ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X <kx9x@arrl.org>.

Time for a new calendar - how about this 2012 Old Tyme Radio Calendar from KB6NU's Ham Radio Blog <http://kb6nu.com/>? It's available for free downloading from WA1KPD's Boat Anchor Collection <http://home.comcast.net/%7Echnord/wa1kpd.html> website. (Thanks, Jeff K1NSS)

All your dots are belong to us! Here's a story about the first wireless hacker
<http://www.newscientist.com/article/mg21228440.700-dotdashdiss-the-gentleman-hackers-1903-lulz.html>
from the "That Didn't Take Long Department". Maybe some things never change! (Thanks, Doug K1DG)

In case you were wondering, KG4 stations with two letters in their suffix are in Guantanamo Bay. KG4 stations with one or three letters in their suffix are in the continental United States. (Thanks, Daily DX <http://dailydx.com/>)

Bob N6TV has been busy programming, too, and has analyzed spots from the Reverse Beacon Network <http://www.reversebeacon.net/> during the 2011 CQ Worldwide CW contest. Who were the most-spotted single-operators
<http://reversebeacon.blogspot.com/2011/12/most-spotted-single-ops.html>?
And the most-spotted stations
<http://reversebeacon.blogspot.com/2011/12/what-effect-does-full-frequency.html>
of any type?

They do everything big in...not Texas...Jupiter! Take a look at the Jovian auroras
<http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/2007/29mar_bigauroras/>
in this 2007 story from the NASA Science news. Consider the QRN implications! (Thanks, Glenn K6NA)

Those of you who tried QRP in the recent Stew Perry Topband Distance Challenge will identify with Peter K3ZM's amusing m&#65533;lange of Dickens and radiosport
<http://lists.contesting.com/archives/html/3830/2011-12/msg02465.html>.
(Thanks, Ralph N5RZ)

In the last issue, the availability of the 73 Magazine issues online in the Internet Archive <http://www.archive.org/details/73-magazine> drew

a lot of interest. Marty K1OYB pointed out that this was a voluntary contribution to the public domain by 73 magazine publisher, Wayne Green W2NSD who deserves a tip of the collective cap in this regard.

Web Site of the Week - The latest issue of Contest Club Finland's PileUP! magazine <http://www.helsinki.fi/%7Ekorpela/PU/PU.html> was published online Dec 29, 2011, containing 68 pages of contest reporting. It includes numerous extended writeups on SAC 2011 from different viewpoints. Ever wonder what it is like to work SAC from JW5, OH0, OH8, or K1, or what it is like to mobilize national troops for the Polar Battle or to organize an international contest? The Last Blast sheds light on SDR & RBN, and has the usual eccentric humor. (Thanks to the Pileup! editorial team - OH1WZ, OH2BH, OH6KZP, OH7WV)

WORD TO THE WISE

Confirmation - make SURE you get the expected confirming response from an email-handling robot after emailing your contest log. No response probably means that your log email bounced or was delayed or was sent to the rong address or...had something happen to it other than what you intended! A bounced email might also wind up in your "spam" or "junk mail" folder so don't assume that no news is good news. Oh, and read the robot's response, too - be sure the robot got your call right, the contest right, the category right, the number of contacts right, etc. (Thanks, Rich KL7RA)

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

A new promotional video <http://www.youtube.com/embed/vlDwVhx7miQ?feature=player_embedded> by the ARRL touting the Do It Yourself (DIY) <http://www.arrl.org/diy> nature of ham radio has been released to attract hackers, makers and innovators to the service. The video features well known hacker and maker Diana Eng KC2UHB along with Ham Nation's <http://twit.tv/shows> Bob Heil K9EID and ISS Astronaut Doug Wheelock KF5BOC. It's fast-paced and focuses on the innovative, imaginative and fun ways "hams" use radio technology in new and creative ways and points out that amateur radio clubs are similar to hacker groups. Materials to support the movie are available on the ARRL's Do It Yourself <http://www.arrl.org/diy> website. (Thanks, ARRL Media & Public Relations Manager, Allen W1AGP)

Those of you who enjoy Tim Allen in various sitcoms will want to be watching "Last Man Standing <http://beta.abc.go.com/shows/last-man-standing>" on ABC on Tuesday nights. One aspect of Tim's character, Mike Baxter, is that of ham radio operator - he's been "assigned" the call sign KA0XTT and even has a Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/#%21/KA0XTT>. The ham shack and occasional snippets of ham radio action are being worked into the story every week. This week's episode showed the station in the back of Mike's office. Browse to Mike's Facebook page and give it a "Like" for more radio action!

Geoff W0CG/PJ2DX has updated the PJ2T website <http://www.pj2t.org/ccc/cqww.cw.2011.htm> with a CQ Worldwide CW contest summary and photos.

>From the days before presentations featured "Here we are at the airport..." come these amazing pictures <http://hamgallery.com/qsl/country/Tanzania/vq3hge2.htm> of the VQ3HGE expedition in the late 1940's featuring Bob W7LR. No switching power supplies here! (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Here's a useful, but very bad, example <http://tinyurl.com/843mlpl> of literally interpreting grounding rules. (Thanks, Lynn N7CFO)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Wow - keep those cards and letters coming in! Digging out from the log deluge, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X reports, "As of January 3, we've received 5,102 logs for the 2011 ARRL 10 Meter Contest, including those on paper. This is unprecedented! We've shattered the 10 Meter Contest submission record by 2,200 logs and still have over a week to go before the submission deadline passes!" In addition, results for the December 2011 Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> are available and certificates have been emailed to all Rookies thanks to the support of Bruce WA7BNM.

Don AA5AU writes in to announce the results <http://www.rttycontesting.com/tenmeterrttycontest/results/2011-index.html> of the brand-new 2011 Ten-Meter RTTY Contest, less than a month after the contest! It looks like that new contest got off to a fast start!

The DX results for the 2011 ARI DX International Contest are available at the ARI website <http://www.ari.it/> or you can download a PDF version <http://www.ari.it/images/stories/diplomi/ARI-DX-2011-DX-RESULTS.pdf>, if you prefer. UBN reports are being prepared and will be emailed to participants. Contest Manager, Bob I2WIJ, notes that there will be rule changes for the 2012 contest - a new start and end times and a shorter log submission deadline.

OPERATING TIP

Jeff K8ND has assembled a Topband operating aid <http://www.k8nd.com/Radio/Planning/CQWW160/TopbandBadFreqs.pdf> for providing guidance in selecting operating frequencies on 160 meters. This is very handy, particularly to operators new to 160 meters. Jeff is in the process of updating the guide and if you have comments or corrections, please contact him as described in the publication.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

John G3JVC/GM3JVC recommends a useful publication for your bookshelf on fighting EMI developed by the US Naval Postgraduate School, "The Mitigation of Radio Noise From External Sources at Receiving Sites <http://edocs.nps.edu/npspubs/scholarly/TR/2007/NPS-EC-07-002.pdf>".

It's a tour-de-force on problems hams know well.

Speaking of locating noise sources, Phil W0XI has put an ultrasonic detector kit <http://www.midnightscience.com/ultrasonics.html> on the market that is quite useful for power-line noise. In addition, there are a couple of good construction articles by W1TRC in QST by Jim Hanson, W1TRC; "A Home-made Ultrasonic Arc Detector" in Apr 2006 and "Adapting a Three Element Tape Measure Beam For Power LIne Noise Hunting" in May 2007. (Thanks, Lee K0LW and Mike K4PI)

Todd KF7SIS likes basic Rustoleum paint for protecting antennas against UV. To avoid overspray and waste, an inexpensive foam brush does a fine job with a can of flat black to apply two or three coats of paint.

For those of you who like to build your own station accessories, check out K5LXP's version <http://www.qsl.net/k5lxp/projects/CoaxSwitch/CoaxSwitch.html%20> of the 6 x 2 coax switch. There is plenty of technical detail and some good reasons why these devices cost what they do! (Thanks, Brian N9ADG)

It's very hard to see a butane flame outside and up on the tower when trying to solder. Mike K6BR takes along a small cardboard box with two sides cut out. It keeps the wind out while making it possible to see the flame. This avoids damage to the cable as well as to Mike!

Scott KB0FHP discovered a program called PolarPlot <http://www.g4hfq.co.uk/plphelp/plphelp.htm> that can help map out an antenna radiation pattern fairly easily. "All you need is a constant RF source at the frequency desired, you rotate your beam, and the pattern is measured."

What's the velocity factor (VF) of your coax? Would that be on the inside or the outside? VF is well-specified for RF inside the cable but the outside of the shield is completely different, electrically. That conducting surface acts like a fat, insulated wire with a VF around 95%! (Thanks, Steve G3TXQ)

Although the half-sloper is a well-known antenna, it seems that everybody has a different way of installing them on the tower. Roger K8RI has developed what looks like a very robust method of getting the job done while keeping the coax-wire connections waterproof and secure. It starts with an aluminum bracket and SO-239 connector <http://www.rogerhalstead.com/ham_files/tower46.htm> then waterproofs the assembly for tower-mounting <http://www.rogerhalstead.com/ham_files/tower47.htm>.

The Instructables web site recently posted a series of guides on basic electronics <http://www.instructables.com/id/Basic-Electronics/>. These cover the fundamentals and might be useful for someone learning about ham radio or general electronics. Another neat Instructable shows how to "hack" a broadcast band radio <http://www.instructables.com/id/RadioShell-Hacking-a-radio-for-backpacking/> for use in the great outdoors with a custom enclosure and offers some

good ideas for portable operating and QRP rigs! These make great accompaniment to the new ARRL Do-It-Yourself video mentioned above.

Technical Web Site of the Week - A common source of interference, particularly on 160 meters, is a mixing product from two or more AM broadcast stations. While it may sound like harmonics, "intermod" is not usually the fault of the broadcaster. If you suspect mixing you can use the Radio-Locator <http://radio-locator.com/> transmitter locating service by entering your location and looking for strong stations in your area. You can tell whether the products are being generated in your radio by switching in some attenuation. If you add 10 dB of attenuation and the products drop in strength by more than 10 dB, your receiver front end is likely being overloaded - try a broadcast-band reject filter (such as in the ARRL Handbook). Otherwise, the hunt outside is on! (Thanks, Doug K1DG)

==> CONVERSATION

Measuring Up

A couple of days ago my January-February issue of National Contest Journal <http://ncjweb.com/> showed up in the mail - the first issue under the editorship of Kirk K4RO. Kirk's first editorial struck a chord with me as he talked about ham radio and contesters being a good influence on him in his younger days. (No word on whether we're still a good influence!) That got me thinking.

There are a lot of activities we encountered growing up but one aspect of ham radio that I found compelling - and still do - is that everyone has to play not only by man-made rules but by the natural rules of electronics and radio. You can't just bluster your way into the log. Either you make the contact or you don't.

Later in life during my days in product development I often encountered wishful thinking (sometimes my own) that somehow the circuits would just work or the code would just run without doing the dirty work or acquiring the necessary understanding. I'd say it was a safe assumption that was rarely a successful strategy and the same goes for ham radio.

Contests are perhaps the sternest test ham radio has to offer. It is not enough to just talk a good game. When the starting bell sounds, you have to be on the air with enough skill and signal to get through and you have to persevere from beginning to end. The log checking report is an unblinking mirror to our operating in which excuses don't count. You can say the same for emergency communications, too, in that when the day is done either you got the message through or you didn't.

By taking part in radiosport competitions, we can measure ourselves against any number of public standards - the Top Ten, the record tables, the plaque winners - and success counts for a lot because you do it yourself as a single-op or in a team. These are all very good things to learn when you're still trying to sort out how the world

works and the earlier you learn those principles, the better.

Measuring up is why ethics are so important in radiosport. What happens on the air is a matter of public record but it has to be backed up by personal behavior in the shack where nobody is watching - it's easy to be ethical in public. The meritocracy of radiosport is not often mentioned but it is a fundamental element of what makes it popular and stimulating - otherwise why would a Novice reading the contest results want so badly to be part of that community?

If you're looking for a good New Year's resolution, helping to promote and maintain ethics on the air and in the shack would be an excellent use of one's time and energies. By maintaining high standards for "playing well with others" we also keep radio's Good Arrow pointed in the right direction. To the younger members of our communities, there is no better message we can send.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL RTTY Roundup--Digital, from Jan 7, 1800Z to Jan 8, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, state/province/serial. Logs due: Feb 7. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Kid's Day--Phone, from Jan 8, 1800Z to Jan 8, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Name, age, location, favorite color. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>

North American QSO Party--CW, from Jan 14, 1800Z to Jan 15, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

070 PSKFest--Digital, from Jan 7, 0000Z to Jan 7, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Call sign, RST, S/P/C . Logs due: Jan 21. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

CWops Weekend Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Jan 7, 1300Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Original QRP Contest--CW, from Jan 7, 1500Z to Jan 8, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, serial, and category. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.qrpcc.de/>

DARC 10 Meter Contest--Phone,CW, from Jan 8, 0900Z to Jan 8, 1059Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RS(T), serial, DOK code. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest>

Midwinter QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jan 8, 1000Z to Jan 8, 1400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: Feb 15. Rules <http://trafficbureau.veron.nl/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Jan 10, 0200Z to Jan 10, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Jan 11, 1300Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Jan 13, 0200Z to Jan 13, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Hunting Lions In the Air--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jan 14, 0000Z to Jan 15, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or name, club name, district. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://lionshuntingintheair.lionwap.org/>

MI QRP Club Jan QRP Contest--CW, from Jan 14, 1200Z to Jan 15, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, MI QRP number or power. Logs due: Feb 10. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org/>

WW Peace Messenger Cities--Phone,CW, from Jan 14, 1200Z to Jan 15, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and PMC ref number or CQ zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.s59dcd.si/>

EUCW 160 Meter Contest--CW, from Jan 14, 2000Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, serial, club name, member nr or "NR". Logs due: Feb 15. Rules <http://www.uft.net/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

MI QRP Club Jan QRP Contest--CW, from Jan 14, 1200Z to Jan 15, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, MI QRP number or power. Logs due: Feb 10. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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- January 5, 2012 ARS Spartan Sprint <http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Spartan_Sprint_Rules>
- January 8, 2012 AWA Bruce Kelley Memorial CW Contest <http://www.antiquewireless.org/hamevents2010.htm>
- January 10, 2012 ARRL 10-Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>
- January 10, 2012 CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run <http://www.cqc.org/contests/snow2011.htm>

- January 10, 2012 DARC Christmas Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/xmas/en/rules/>
- January 13, 2012 AGB-Party Contest
<http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_party.htm>
- January 15, 2012 OK DX RTTY Contest
<http://www.crk.cz/ENG/DXCONTE.HTM>
- January 17, 2012 Stew Perry Topband Challenge
<http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>
- January 17, 2012 Croatian CW Contest
<http://www.9acw.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=47:rules-2009&catid=39:english&Itemid=66>
- January 17, 2012 Russian 160-Meter Contest
<http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/90.html>

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7. [DXNL] DXNL 1761 (Jan 4, 2012)

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9A, CROATIA
The prefix 9A was allocated to Croatia 20 years ago. All private and
clubstations may add the number "20" to their callsign to celebrate
this jubilee from Jan 1 until Dec 31 (e.g. 9A0Z&#65533;200Z, 9A1MM&#65533;20
1MM,
9A2AA&#65533;202AA). There is also a special award "20 years 9A prefix".
Find more information at: http://www.hamradio.hr

CY0, SABLE ISLAND, NA-063
The DXpedition announced in the last DXNL has been postponed due to
weather problems.

DL, GERMANY
The city of Bad Honnef celebretes 150 years of city rights in 2012.
The special event station DL150BH will be QRV in all modes on all bands
from Jan 1 until Dec 31. The special DOK BAHO150 is handed out also by
the clubstation DL0AD. QSLs via bureau.

DU, PHILIPPINES
The Philippine Amateur Radio League (PARL) is celebrating its 50 years
anniversary and will activate the special event station 4G0LD in 2012.
There is a commemorative diploma at least 12 QSOs with PARL members.
See: http://www.dx1l.dxhams.net/events.htm
QSL via bureau.

HK0/M, MALPELO ISLAND, SA-007
The advance team for the upcoming DXpedition is formed by HK1N, HK1T,
HK6F and HK1MW, also called "Fantastic Four". They are setting up
11 stations and 18 antennas in two different camps. Donations welcome.
See also: http://www.hk0na.com

J7, DOMINICA NA-101
Mike,VE2XB, is working holiday style as J79XB from Dominica (NA-101)

on 160m-10m and maybe also on 6m from Jan 5-26. His equipment includes
TS-590s, Elecraft K3/100, Icom IC2-KL and Tokyo High Power HL-550. He
is using a windom for 30m/40m/75m/160m, a 2el Moxon for 40m and maybe
also a Hexbeam for the WARC bands and 6m but his main antenna is a
Mosley TA-33SR WARC on a 12m mast. QSL via VE2XB.
His website is: http://j79xb.jimdo.com

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Buchi,JO3FRH (KH0UY), and Masa,JE4SMQ (KH0K), are going to visit
Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, Loc QK25uf) from Jan 7-10.
They will be active on 80m-6m and via satellites. QSLs via homecalls.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Ron,N6EE, and Chet,W6XK, are members of the "NN6NN RTTY Team" and will
sign PJ2N from Signal Point Station (PJ2T) on Curacao (SA-099, LH-0942)
during the ARRL RTTY Round-Up on Jan 7/8.
They are holding the world record since their VP5NN operation in 2003.
The are signing PJ2/N6EE and PJ2/W6XK before and after the contest.
QSLs only direct via NN6NN & LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE, SA-006
Peter,PA8A, will be QRV as PJ4B working holiday style from Jan 8-22.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct (no IRCs, only SAE + 2 $).

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Paolo,PJ7/IK2QPR, will show up also in holiday style from Sint Maarten
(NA-105) from Jan 8-16. QSL via homecall.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLAND, NA-005
Jamie,VP9/WW3S, will be active from Bermuda (NA-005) from Jan 5-10.
He also plans to take part in the ARRL RTTY Round-Up as well.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct and LoTW.

XU, CAMBODIA
Alex,XU7YAB (UA9YAB), and Alex, XU7YPS (UA9YPS), are working from
Cambodia from Jan 3-6. They are also planning a side-trip to AS-133.
QSLs via homecalls, unfortunately only direct, XU7YAB also LoTW.

ANTARCTICA
Mika,OH2FFP, is going to hit the airwaves from several Antarctic bases
between mid January and mid February. He plans to show up on the bands
as OH2FFP/p from the Nordenskiold Multinational Camp,
as OJ1ABOA from the Finnish base "Aboa" and
as SM/OH2FFP from the Shwedish base "Wasa".
QSLs via homecall.

SOUTH PACIFIC TOUR
HA5AO and HA5UK will be on DXpedition again from Jan 8 until Feb 27:
Jan 12-26 T2HA from Tuvalu
Jan 27-30 3D2HA from Fiji
Jan 31-Feb 23 T30HA from Tarawa, Western Kiribati
Feb 2-23 T33HA from Banaba (for 7-10 days)
QSLs via HA5UK - via bureau, OQRS or LoTW.

ARRL DIAMOND DXCC CHALLENGE
The ARRL celebrates the 75th jubilee of the DXCC award by issuing the special "Diamond DXCC Challenge Award" based on the DXCC countries list of 1937 with 231 DXCC entities. QSLs are not needed, the ARRL trusts in your Ham Spirit. See also: http://www.arrl.org/diamond-dxcc

QRT: Craig,A35CT, has returned to the USA. Paul,A35A (A35RK), has shut down his station as well and is going to leave Tonga on Jan 16. If you still need a QSL please request it via LoTW or W7TSQ.

Reorganization:
After four years of cooperation Vertex Standard Co. Ltd. transfers the division Land Mobile Radio (LMR) to Motorola and they return to the old name YAESU MUSEN. See also: http://tinyurl.com/YaesuMusen20111227

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at: http://www.sotawatch.org
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Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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After the outstanding success of the Contest University (CTU) with more than 1.000 participants the new DX University (DXU) has been launched. More information can be found at: http://www.dxuniversity.com
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The ARRL website and YouTube have linked a nice video about the fascination of homebrewing: http://www.youtube.com/user/ARRLHQ and http://www.arrl.org/diy
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All 511 editions of the discontinued magazine "73" can be found online: http://www.archive.org/details/73-magazine
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The Commonwealth Century Club issues the CCC Jubilee Award to celebrate the Diamond jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II. QSLs are not needed.
See also: http://www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

The regulations for guest licences in South Korea improved very much in the lastest time. For more information check: http://www.karl.or.kr
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The Finnish newsletter PileUP! (mainly in English) can be downloaded at http://www.helsinki.fi/~korpela/PU/PU.html

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jan 7/8 Original-QRP-Contest
Jan 7/8 ARRL RTTY Round-Up
Jan 7/8 EUCW 160m Contest
Jan 8 DARC 10m Contest
Jan 8 VERON Midwinter QSO-Party

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

NA-168, W5, Louisiana State South East group: The "Baton Rouge Amateur
Radio club" and the "Red Stick DX Association" intend to activate
Grand Island (USi LA003S) from Jan 6-8. The OPs W5XU, N5IB, K5DF,
K5DFD, W5AJD and AD5VC will use the call W5GIX in SSB, CW and PSK-31
on 80m-10m and maybe also on 6m. QSL via W5GIX (bureau/direct).

NA-240 (NEW IOTA), KL7, Bethel County group: Members of the Russian Robinson
Club (RRC) are assisted by the Bethel Amateur Radio Club (BARK) when
activating the last new IOTA group of Alaska. Depending on the weather
and transportation they plan to show up as KL7RRC/p from Jan 5-8. They
are also supporting the begin of the RSGB IOTA Marathon with this
winter time activity. The team includes Yuri,N3QQ, and Tim,NL8F.
More details are available on their homepage: http://www.na-234.com
QSLs for Europe and Russia via UA9OBA, all others via N7RO.

OC-136, VK3, Victoria State Centre group: Peter,VK3ZPF, Matt,VK2ADF, and
Kevin,VK3KAB, are members of the "Scout Association of Australia VIC"
(VK3SAA) and will sign VK3SAT 80m/40m/20m/15m/10m from French Islands
on Jan 7/8. They will use wire antennas for the single bands. A more
detailed plan with frequencies and times is listed at the website of
VK3SAT at QRZ.com. QSL via VK3SAA (bureau/direct).

SA-078, HK1, Cordoba/Sucre Division group: Eduardo,HK6PRO/1, will show up
from Palma Island (WLOTA 0874) from Jan 8&#65533;12. QSL via EA5KB.

Lighthouse activities

GX4BJC/A LH 1841 Jan 1&#65533;31
KH0K LH 1333 Jan 7&#65533;10
KH0UY LH 1333 Jan 7&#65533;10
MX1SWL/p LH 1841 Jan 1&#65533;31
PJ2/N6EE LH 0942 Jan 5&#65533;10
PJ2/W6XK LH 0942 Jan 5&#65533;10
PJ2N LH 0942 Jan 7&#65533;8
PJ4B LH 1279 Jan 8&#65533;22
PJ7/IK2QPR LH 0711 Jan 8&#65533;16

Bandspots of the last 7 days

40m
EM0RSE 7.014 0432Z via UZ9RR (B), (L), eQSL
LX75RL 7.013 1545Z via LX2A (B)
LX75RL 7.168 1533Z via LX2A (B)
4L1MA 7.011 0407Z via ON4RU

30m
A45XR 10.102 1649Z (B)
CT3AS 10.107 0755Z via DJ8FW (B)
HH2/HB9AMO 10.118 0838Z via PA7FM (B), (L)
PA/ON5TC 10.107 1500Z
TR8CA 10.102 0556Z via F6CBC (d)
US9PA 10.119 1435Z

VQ9JC 10.106 1605Z via ND9M (B)
5B/SM0HJF 10.105 0539Z via SM0HJF (B)
9A04JB 10.108 1645Z via 9A3JB (B)

20m
EA8/DL3SBA/p 14.285 1259Z SOTA FU-003, via DL3SBA (B)
EA8/DL3SBA/p 14.325 1426Z SOTA FU-004, via DL3SBA (B)
IQ3LE 14.027 1540Z via IZ3DBA (B)
SV8EUV 14.285 1445Z EU-060
VE7WY 14.017 1627Z (B), (L), eQSL
3V8SS 14.011 1038Z via LX1NO (d)
7X5QB 14.280 1557Z via EA7FTR

17m
EA8/DL3SBA/p 18.155 1337Z SOTA FU-003, via DL3SBA (B)
EA8/DL3SBA/p 18.122 1442Z SOTA FU-004, via DL3SBA (B)
3V8SS 18.070 1158Z via LX1NO (d)

15m
V5/DH3WO 21.240 1547Z via DH3WO (B)
V5/DJ2HD 21.197 1150Z via DJ2HD (B)
WP4BL 21.295 1238Z (B), (L)
6W1QL 21.231 1523Z (d)

12m
EA8/IK1PMR 24.892 1052Z via IK1PMR (d)
HH2/HB9AMO 24.902 1618Z via PA7FM (B), (L)
SV5BYR/5 24.970 0936Z (d)

10m
CO6LC 28.505 1539Z via EA5GL (d)
9K2HN 28.016 1204Z (B), (L)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) NoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

09Dec-09Jan 3D2AG/p 1757
27Jan-30Jan 3D2HA 1761 *
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761 *
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
19Dec-04Jan 5V7MA 1758
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr/12 5Z4RH ? 1674
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751

31Jan 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-05Mar12 8J6HAM 1757
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
31Dec-13Feb 9M2MRS 1760
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
28Dec-04Jan 9U3TMM 1760
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751
24Dec-07Jan 9X0PY 1759

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
20Dec-10Jan A6/VE6LB 1758
29Dec-06Jan AA4VK/CY0.. 1760
-Mar/12 CE9VPM 1752
28Dec-07Jan CT9/MJ0ASP 1760
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr/12? D2SG 1748
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761 *
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756

-Mar/12 EA1CYK/p 1759
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756
-31Jan EM1000USK 1758
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-10Jan FR/F6CAM 1757
-Jul/12 FR8NE 1710
-09Jan HH2/HB9AMO 1756
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
08Jan-12Jan HK6PRO/1 1761 *
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb/12 II0MZ 1755

-Apr/12 J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
05Jan-26Jan J79XB 1761 *
30Dec-07Jan JD1BMH 1760
23Dec-05Jan JS6RRR.. 1759
01Jan-31Jan K3Y 1760
-Apr/12 KC4AAC 1757
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
07Jan-10Jan KH0UY.. 1761 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
04Jan-10Jan KL7RRC 1761 *

-Mar/12 OA/OE3NHW 1749
15Jan-15Mar OH2FFP/p.. 1761 *
-Feb/12 OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar/12 P29FR 1742
07Jan/08Jan PJ2N.. 1761 *
-Apr/12 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
08Jan-22Jan PJ4B 1761 *
08Jan-16Jan PJ7/IK2QPR 1761 *
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754

12Jan-26Jan T2HA 1761 *
31Jan-23Feb T30HA 1761 *
02Feb-23Feb T33HA 1761 *
-Apr/12 T6BP 1746
-Jun/12 T6MO 1733
-8Jan T8CW.. 1760
30Dec-08Jan T88OW 1760
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755
02Jan-07Jan TO5G 1760
NOW TR0A/p 1760
03Jan-09Jan TY (JA1PBV) 1760

02Dec-16Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1756
21Dec-13Jan V5/DL1ZU 1759
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
07Jan-08Jan VK3SAT 1761 *
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
-Feb/12 VP8DMH 1757
05Jan-10Jan VP9/WW3S 1761 *
-Jul/12 VQ9JC 1755
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
03Jan-06Jan XU7YAB.. 1761 *
NOW XV9DX.. 1756
03Jan-06Jan YX6AJ 1760
-Apr/12 ZS7KX 1740/1749

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

AL7DB via NI5DX (B)
C6ANM via (L, preferred), (d)
CT3AS via DJ8FW (B)
CX7CO via WB3CDX (B)
DL150BH via (B)
DL5M via DL1FY (B), eQSL

DP3LUNA via DK1PM (B)
EA8OM via DJ1OJ (B)
EA8/DB5FP via DB5FP (B)
EA8/DH2MS via DH2MS (B)
EA8/PA3LEO via PA3LEO (B)
EA8/PD1DX via PD1DX (B)
EM20LTD via UR3LTD (B)
FM5WE via K4FJ (B)
GX4BJC/A via (B)
HH2/HB9AMO via PA7FM (B)
HK3/DL6IAK via DL6IAK (B)
HK6PRO/1 via EA5KB (B)
II2ITAL via IK2AQZ (B)
II4PRI via IZ1JKW (B)
J79XB via VE2XB (B)
JD1BLY via JI5RPT (B)
K3N via N3YIM
K6AAX/VY2 via K6AAX (d)
KG2A/VP9 via KG2A
KH0UY via JO3FRH (B)
KH0K via JE4SMQ (B)
KL7RRC/p via EU/Russia: UA9OBA (B), rest of the world: N7RO (d), (L)
KL7/N1TX via N1TX (B), (L)
KP4RV via AI4U (B)
MX1SWL/p via (B)
OJ1ABOA via OH2FFP (B)
PA100SP via PA3FOE (B), (L)
PJ2N via NN6NN (d), (L)
PJ4B via (d)
PJ7/IK2QPR via IK2QPR
SM/OH2FFP via OH2FFP (B)
T2HA via HA5UK (B & OQRS), (L)
T30HA via HA5UK (B & OQRS), (L)
T33HA via HA5UK (B & OQRS), (L)
TI7/N5BEK via N5BEK (direct to TI)
UP20N via UN7NFD
UP20NF via UN7NF
UP20NR via UN7NR
UP20O via UN1O (B)
UP20OD via UN7OD
UP20OGA via UN7OGA
UP20ZWW via UN7ZA
V25RV via JN1RVS (B)
V51W via DF3GY (B)
V55V via DJ8VC (B)
VK3SAT via VK3SAA (B)
VP9/WW3S via WW3S (d), (L)
WH0AU via JP3WAU (B)
XU7YAB via UA9YAB (d), (L)
XU7YPS via UA9YPS (d)

XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
YI9EO via N4EO (d)
YO800KNX via YO6CUF
Z21LS via DE1ZHB (B)
ZF2HZ via K9HZ (B), eQSL
3D2HA via HA5UK (B & OQRS), (L)
4G0LD via (B)
4L6DL via LZ1OT (B)
5R8XB via ON8XB
5V7SI via JA1PBV (B)
6Y5/KD8EZU via KD8EZU
9A202AA via 9A2AA (B)
9Q6CC via CX2CC (B)
9X0PY via SM6CPY (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: HC2/SM6FKF, OX3XR (OZ3PZ), PJ2/K2TQC (K2NV),
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==> + BPL PROVIDER IBEC ANNOUNCES SHUTDOWN

IBEC -- one of the very few remaining operators of Access BPL
systems -- has announced that it is closing down. In an undated
announcement that appeared on the IBEC website, the company announced
that it has "no other option than to close our doors and cease
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operations." IBEC claims that it cannot recover financially from the April 2011 tornadoes in Alabama that "ravished [sic] some of our major service areas." IBEC provided Internet service via broadband over power lines (BPL) to rural communities.

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/IBEC_Letter_to_Customers.jpg>
"While we regret the loss of jobs brought about by IBEC's BPL business failure, in the long run the rural areas that IBEC was trying to serve will be better served by broadband technologies that are superior to BPL and do not pollute the radio spectrum," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "While initially IBEC was cooperative in addressing the ARRL's concerns about interference to licensed radio services -- including Amateur Radio -- the ARRL was dismayed to find that the systems as actually deployed fell short of meeting even the inadequate requirements of the FCC's rules. We hope that this latest in the long string of Access BPL failures will persuade the few remaining fans of BPL to turn their attention elsewhere." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/bpl-provider-ibec-announces-shutdown>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL ANNOUNCES DIAMOND DXCC CHALLENGE

2012 is the 75th anniversary of the ARRL's DXCC Award, the world's preeminent DXing award. To celebrate this important milestone, the ARRL has gone back to the beginning -- the 1937 DXCC List.The Diamond DXCC Challenge will test DXers ability to contact all the 231 entities on the original DXCC List.

We tried to find corresponding entities today that would represent the places listed in 1937, and we were mostly successful. There are a couple of places that were merged, like French and British New Hebrides, and the Papua and New Guinea Territories. In those places, for 2012 if you work a YJ or a P29 (on the main island of New Guinea) you will get credit for working two entities! Many other oddities are sprinkled throughout the list, too. Returning to the air in 2012 will be the Canal Zone (any HP operating within 8 kilometers of the Panama Canal), the Cities of Gdansk, Poland, as well as Ifni, Morocco and Balochistan.

For some entities that now consist of multiple countries, you may work any of today's entities to qualify for that single 1937 country. For example, French Equatorial Africa will be considered worked if you log a station in TL, TN, TR or TT in 2012. The Diamond DXCC country tables show the current entity names and prefixes that qualify for the 1937 countries. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-diamond-dxcc-challenge>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT-1 RE-ENTERS EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE, FALLS SILENT

According to AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/index.php>, ARISSat-1 stopped transmitting <http://www.arissat1.org/v3/> on the morning of January 4. It is believed that the satellite re-entered the

Earth's atmosphere around 0700 UTC (+/- three hours) and was destroyed soon after. Telemetry reports showed that the temperature aboard ARISSat-1 had been rising as the atmospheric drag began to affect the satellite The predicted decay location is an open part of the South Atlantic, well west of Angola.

The last telemetry reports indicated that the internal temperature had topped 167 degrees Fahrenheit and was rising rapidly. Konstantin Vladimirovich, RN3ZF, sent a reception report of a pass at 0842 UTC and stated, "The telemetry was absent, voice messages were not legible, very silent and interrupted. Most likely, I saw the last minutes in the life of the satellite." The last full telemetry captured was received from ground stations as the satellite passed over Japan at 0602 UTC on January 4.

ARISSat-1 was deployed <http://www.arrl.org/news/arissat-1-finally-deployed-from-iss> from the International Space Station on August 3, 2011 during EVA-29 on by Cosmonaut/Flight Engineers Sergei Volkov, RU3DIS, and Alexander Samokutyaev. The satellite carried a student experiment from Kursk State University in Russia that measured atmospheric density. Students from around the world provided the voices for the FM voice announcements.

AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW, said that ARISSat-1 marked a new type of satellite that captured the attention of the national space agencies around the world. "With ARISSat-1, we have we have been able to design, launch, and operate a unique educational opportunity," he explained. "By designing an educational mission aligned with NASA's Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics goals, radio amateurs around the world have been able enjoy a new satellite in orbit."

ARISSat-1 achieved several "firsts" for Amateur Radio in space, including the first flight test of the AMSAT Software Defined Transponder, which included an FM voice downlink cycling between student messages, spoken telemetry and SSTV; a 16 kHz bandwidth linear transponder; a CW beacon carrying telemetry and call signs of radio amateurs (noting their significant contributions to Amateur Radio in space) and a robust, forward-error-corrected 1kbps BPSK digital downlink carrying satellite telemetry and Kursk experiment telemetry.

==> + HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: AMATEUR RADIO MAKES ITS DEBUT ON LAST MAN STANDING

If you watched the January 3 episode of Last Man Standing -- the ABC hit situation comedy starring Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KA0XTT -- you were in for a treat. While this episode didn't feature Amateur Radio per se, it did show Mike's shack in the background. Viewers could see the DXCC, Worked All States, Worked All Continents and the Morse Code Proficiency Certificate -- all provided by the ARRL -- in the first scene. Later on in the show, Mike records his video blog. Sharp-eyed viewers spotted the 2011 ARRL Handbook underneath the mini-tripod, next

to issues of QST!

The episode airing on January 17 will introduce Mike Baxter as KA0XTT. According to Last Man Standing Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, Mike will have a QSO on the show. "We had two Amateur Extra class staff members complete a QSO on 10 meters and we recorded it," Amodeo explained. " Unfortunately, we were set up on a stage that is basically a Faraday cage. The very QRP signal made it radio-to-radio. We varied the RIT [receiver incremental tuning] to give it a little extra SSB sound, but I don't think the signal made it much past the stage walls. The recording will be on the show. We thought our ham viewers would get a kick out of it. Non-hams will think it's just distorted." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-ham-radio-in-hollywood-em-amateur-radio-makes-its-debut-on-em-last-man-standing-em>.

==> ON THE AIR: ROUND UP THOSE DIGITAL QSOS IN THE 2012 ARRL RTTY ROUNDUP

We're in the heart of the 2011-2012 contest season and this weekend offers the first major event of 2012: The ARRL RTTY Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup>. According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, participation in the digital modes has been growing at an amazing rate. "It's not difficult to get on the digital modes," he explained. "All it takes these days is a computer, a piece of free software and an interface to connect your computer to your rig. It's never been easier!"

Because of that ease, log submissions for the RTTY Roundup have increased about 33 percent since 2007, with 1539 logs received in 2011. "There are plenty of stations to work, including lots of DX," Kutzko said. "Many stations have achieved RTTY DXCC <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc> and RTTY WAS <http://www.arrl.org/was> in a weekend. You can work toward other awards as well, such as the ARRL Triple Play Award <http://www.arrl.org/triple-play>, earned for working all 50 states on CW, SSB and digital modes (including RTTY) and confirming all of those QSOs via Logbook of The World (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>). Do you think you have what it takes to set a new record score for your ARRL Division or Section? Check the record scores <http://www.arrl.org/contest-records> for the RTTY Roundup and see if you can beat the best!

The 2012 ARRL RTTY Roundup runs from 1800 UTC Saturday, January 7 through 2359 UTC Sunday, January 8. Logs may be submitted electronically via e-mail <rttyru@arrl.org>. Paper logs should be sent to ARRL RTTY Roundup, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. All logs must be postmarked no later than 2359 UTC Tuesday, February 7, 2012.

==> DIY: ARRL LAUNCHES NEW DIY CAMPAIGN

The ARRL Public Relations Department has released the Do-It-Yourself (DIY) suite of interrelated promotional materials aimed at exposing the

growing Do It Yourself/Maker community to Amateur Radio opportunities. The DIY movement is nothing new to Amateur Radio. For more than a century, hams have been working in basements and attics, taking things apart and putting them back together in new ways, just for the fun of it. Meanwhile, there has been a growing population of DIY hobbyists who do not know about the opportunities of Amateur Radio.

To reach this growing group, the ARRL Public Relations Department has created an entirely new set of campaign materials for ARRL Public Information Officers, groups and individual hams to use in reaching out to the DIY/Maker community. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and Dave Bell, W6AQ, were recruited to create the new video. Recruiting volunteers throughout 2011, the duo shot more than 65 hours of high-definition video, and then edited it down to a mere 8 minutes. Titled The DIY Magic of Amateur Radio, it shows ham-makers projects from around the country. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-launches-new-diy-campaign>.

==> + YAESU'S AMATEUR RADIO DIVISION BREAKS WITH MOTOROLA, CHANGES NAME TO YAESU MUSEN

After four years under the Motorola umbrella, Yaesu has split from that company. According to Vertex Standard President and Chief Executive Officer Jun Hasegawa, effective January1, 2012, Motorola will keep the Vertex Standard Land-Mobile Division, while the amateur, marine and air-band will be under the Yaesu Musen banner. The new company will be known as Yaesu USA in the US. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/yaesu-s-amateur-radio-division-breaks-with-motorola-changes-name-to-yaesu-musen>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL 10 METER CONTEST SETS RECORD

As of January 5, almost 5200 logs have been received for the ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>. Contest Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, is happy to have sunspots back: "This just goes to show what sunspots can do for activity. When the solar flux climbed to 190 in September, it was like the first warm day after a long winter; people came out to play -- and play they did, in unprecedented numbers! Activity during this contest season has been nothing short of tremendous, and it seems to have reached a zenith for the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. Old Timers and new licensees from all around the world got on the air and had one heck of a good time on 28 MHz the second weekend in December, shattering the participation record by more than 2300 logs. And we still have a week to go before the log submission deadline!"

==> + DXCC NEWS: 2011 SEES TREMENDOUS INCREASE IN DXCC APPLICATIONS

With the coming of more sunspots, comes more DX. And when more amateurs are working DX, that means the ARRL's Membership and Volunteer Programs Department -- especially the DXCC Desk and the ARRL Incoming and Outgoing QSL Bureaus -- goes into high gear.

"In 2011, we saw an increase in the number of cards we received from ARRL members that were sent to foreign QSL bureaus, as well as the number of cards we sent out to the bureaus," said DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L. "In addition, the number of DXCC applications -- including those for initial awards and endorsements -- also increased."

As the number of QSL cards has increased, so have the number of DXCC applications. In 2010, the DXCC Desk processed 7134 applications for initial awards and endorsements; these 2010 applications included 853,462 QSOs. In 2011, the DXCC Desk processed 11,175 applications, containing 1,250,864 QSOs. "Comparing 2010 to 2011, this represents a 47 percent increase in the number of QSOs and a 57 percent increase in the number of applications," MVP Administrative Manager Sharon Taratula explained. "With all of the year's applications not yet fully processed, we've seen a substantial increase in the number of QSOs over 2010."

"Through December 31, 2011, the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau received 802,500 cards destined for foreign QSL bureaus from ARRL members in the US," Taratula said. "This represents an increase of 4 percent over the 2010 number of about 771,900 cards. In 2011, the ARRL shipped 799,675 cards -- or close to 5400 pounds of cards -- to foreign bureaus." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-sees-tremendous-increase-in-dxcc-applications>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL REQUESTS FEEDBACK FOR 60 METER BAND PLAN

In November 2011, the FCC released a Report & Order detailing new rules for the 5 MHz (60 meters) Amateur Radio band. These rules have not yet been published in the Federal Register. In order to be official, the rules must be published in the Federal Register and will take effect 30 days after the publication date. The R&O brings with it a number of changes for 60 meter operators. Considering the expected increase in 60 meter activity when the R&O finally takes effect, the ARRL is asking for feedback to assist in crafting a proposed band plan. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-requests-feedback-for-60-meter-band-plan>.

==> HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: AMATEUR RADIO A PLOT POINT IN MAJOR MOTION PICTURE

According to previews, the plot of the movie Journey 2: The Mysterious Island -- set to be released February 10 -- hinges on Amateur Radio. The movie's hero Sean Anderson (played by Josh Hutcherson) receives a coded distress signal that comes from a mysterious island where no island should exist. Sean decides to follow the signal with the unwilling assistance from his stepfather Hank (played by Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson).

Sean explains to Hank why he wants to hunt down the signal: "A few nights ago, a radio signal got sent out from these coordinates. It could be the mysterious island that Jules Verne wrote about." Hank replies: "You think you're gonna travel halfway around the world and

meet up with some lunatic who's messing around on a ham radio?" "That's not some lunatic," Sean says. "That's my grandfather." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-ham-radio-in-hollywood-em-amateur-radio-a-plot-point-in-major-motion-picture>.

==> HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: CAN I HAVE "AMATEUR RADIO" FOR $800, ALEX?

If you were watching the popular television game show Jeopardy! <http://www.jeopardy.com/> -- where contestants have to answer in the form of a question -- on December 15 <http://www.j-archive.com/showgame.php?game_id=3783>, you might have noticed there was a question featuring Amateur Radio. In the first round, returning champ Boomie Aglietti was playing the category "Pastimes" when he encountered this "answer" worth $800: "The FCC assigns call signs, like N8DNR, to use in this hobby." Aglietti answered correctly with "ham radio."

N8DNR is the call sign of Debbie Dorfman of West Bloomfield, Michigan. Debbie is the mother of Stephen Dorfman, N6DIW (SK) <http://www.vanityhq.com/bin/chistSO.php4?call=N6DIW&type=single>. Stephen was a writer for Jeopardy! from 1984 until he passed away in 2004 at age 48 due to complications from cancer. According to the New York Times <http://www.nytimes.com/2004/01/09/arts/television/09DORF.html>, Dorfman was Jeopardy!'s longest serving and most prolific writer, with more than 50,000 clues to his credit. As part of a team of writers, he won six Daytime Emmy Awards for special-class writing, given for shows that do not fit into traditional categories. On the Jeopardy! episode that aired January 3, 2008 <http://www.j-archive.com/showgame.php?game_id=2269>, another Dorfman call sign was featured -- this one of Stephen's father Neil -- also for $800, in the category "If You're...": "...using a call sign like K8RX, you're engaged in this hobby."

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "We all live for the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yus7IvioR_A>" Cook, K7RA, reports: We're continuing to see good conditions, although sunspot activity has declined a bit. The average daily sunspot numbers for December 29-January 4 declined nearly 20 points (when compared to the previous seven days) to 88.1; this is the lowest reported weekly sunspot number average since September 2011 <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-k7ra-solar-update-180>. The average daily solar flux was off 6.4 points to 143.1. Another problem seems to have cropped up with NOAA reporting of data that we use in this bulletin. Last month, the sunspot numbers had to be corrected. Now it appears that some of the geophysical data does not check out. Check the planetary A index for the last few weeks of December 2011 here <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/DGD.txt> and check the same dates here <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/indices/old_indices/2011_DGD.txt>.

They should match, but they don't (unless the problem has been corrected by the time you read this). But the numbers for all of 2011 match what we have reported in the bulletin, and I suspect it is the correct version. The near term outlook is for solar flux at 140 on January 5-6, 135 on January 7-8, 130 on January 9-11, 125 and 135 on January 12-13, and then back to 140 on January 14-21. The next short term peak is expected at 150 on January 24-26. The expected planetary A index for January 5-9 is 5, 8, 15, 10 and 8, then back down to 5 on January 10-27. That predicted A index of 15 on January 7 -- if accurate -- will be the highest since October 25, when it was 27, and 31 the day before. That activity was sparked by a coronal mass ejection that affected earth around 1800 UTC on October 24. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, January 6. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Sunrays' I Live for the Sun <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/I_Live_for_the_Sun>.

==> ARRL CONGRATULATES: ASHRAF ABUELHAIJA AND KLAUS SOLBACH, DK3BA, WIN DECEMBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winners of the QST Cover Plaque Award for December are Ashraf Abuelhaija and Klaus Solbach, DK3BA, for their article "An Inverted V Wire Yagi with Switchable Pattern Rotation for 14 MHz." Congratulations Ashraf and Klaus! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the January issue today.

==> DAYTON HAMVENTION: NOMINATION DEADLINE FOR DAYTON HAMVENTION AWARDS APPROACHING

It's not too late to nominate individuals and clubs for the 2012 Dayton Hamvention® awards. The deadline to make your nominations for the Amateur of the Year Award, Special Achievement Award, Technical Excellence Award, and the Amateur Radio Club of the Year Award is Sunday, January 15. The winners will be recognized at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention, May 18-20. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nomination-deadline-for-dayton-hamvention-awards-approaching>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- January 6 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 7 -- PODXS 070 Club PSKFest; QRP ARCI Pet Rock Celebration
- January 7-8 -- ARRL RTTY Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup>; CWops Mini-CWT Test; Original QRP Contest; EUCW 160 Meter Contest
- January 8 -- ARRL Kids Day <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>; SKCC

Weekend Sprint; DARC 10 Meter Contest; Midwinter Contest
- January 11-12 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- January 13 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 14-15 -- North American QSO Party (CW); WW PMC Contest;
Michigan QRP January CW Contest
- January 16 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- January 19 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 8 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-long-island-section-convention-ham-rad
io-university-2012>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 27-28 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfe
st-1>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont
- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest
>,
Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-

hamfest-2>,
Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>,
Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana
-hamfest>,
Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest
-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-t
m>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
>,
Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine

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Source record: 3826
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-01-08.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - Jan 8 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 08 2012.

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REBUILD OF HS0AC

ARRL KIDS DAY TODAY JANUARY 8

Dot-dash-diss: The gentleman hacker OF 1903

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 8 2012.

Allan VK2CA has let it be known VK Classifieds has a new look to welcome in
2012!

It's still FREE and is compatible with all the latest browsers but has many
new features.

One of the new features is that you can now add up to 5 pictures to each
advert. Even video and audio files can be used!

This service is free to all but adverts to purchase amateur transmitting
equipment are only permitted by licensed amateurs.

Check it out at http://www.vkclassifieds.com.au

Thailand's famed HS0AC submerged

The slow restoration continues of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) HS0AC Club station that was destroyed by recent flooding.

Thailand's worst floods in half a century have killed 610 people, destroyed millions of tonnes of crops and badly damaged industrial production.

Almost five months have passed since the flooding began in the northern hills and then spread slowly to inundate parts of Bangkok.

At the height of the flooding radio amateurs had roles that included helping to co-ordinate relief and rescue work.

The devastation to HS0AC left after the flood hit the Asian Technical Institute, home of the HS0AC club station, all the transceivers and equipment were submerged.

RAST intends to request a regulations waiver to allow importation of new HF equipment following the natural disaster, given the loss of HS0AC equipment.

We will have more on Thailand's floods in this bulletin from Jason VK2LAW and also Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM,

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

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VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

The regular bi-monthly event conducted by Amateur Radio NSW at the VK2WI site 63 Quarry Road, Dural includes Trash & Treasure and exam assessments in the morning and Radio Home Brew gathering in the early afternoon.

Check out details on the ARNSW web site
www.arnsw.org.au

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

If you only attend one radio event in 2012, then it must be the Centre Victoria RadioFest No. 5 at the Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday the 12th of February, just an hour from Melbourne, Ballarat and Bendigo.

The biggest of its type in Victoria and the only one that has been supported by all the major commercial traders since it began in 2007.

The Centre Victoria RadioFest also offers three different ways people can sell second-hand radio equipment and accessories, non-commercial lots, bits and pieces

The traditional table sales continue to be popular. The other options are car-boot sales or trailer and van loads. It's your choice!

Add to this interesting program including the mini-lecture series and this is truly a major event and great social occasion for anyone with an interest in radio.

The Centre Victoria RadioFest, Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday 12 February.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001
Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

VK4 QNEWS

VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2011 - 2012 QAC YEAR

Sad news in that Jean Bowden VK4MUJ has gone Silent Key
after a prolonged battle with illness.
Jean passed away on Monday 2nd January 2012 in Brisbane aged 83.
Jean and husband Tom/VK4MWT (SK) were members of The Townsville
Amateur Radio Club during their time in the North and also for
a while when they moved to Strathpine in Brisbane in February 1999.

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery and I've been thinking.

Where I live is the proverbial fly speck on the map. It is a small region between two regional cities. Of course I have access to the highway and the railway does pass in hearing distance. Because the copper telephone lines have been neglected for so long, I have access to satellite internet service.
The 3G networks all provide good signal strength, now.

Recently I have been called to visit the Big Smoke, Brisbane, a little more than I would like. However, in planning appointments it is very hard to convince people that we have a journey of 50Km to get to public transport and then there are only 2 rail services per day in each direction. Aerodromes are 100 to 150Kms away.

Likewise, the use of the internet for streaming audio and video has attracted more and more broadcasters. The technology is great but effective access is less so, out in the boonies. What I pay for satellite access is about 8 times as expensive as advertised ADSL "unlimited" plans.
Wireless via 3G is more expensive still.

What I am driving at is that many of our country colleagues face a more difficult time, certainly more inconvenient and expensive, accessing services which city people take for granted. When we know that many country amateurs volunteer their time and facilities in supporting the hobby, the rest of us owe them a big "thank you".

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

CLUBBING

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
QNEWS broadcasts, please email your item in text to qnews@wia.org.au

Submit audio, read "how to submit items" on the weekly WIA news page.
http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of QNEWS.

Bunya Mts & District AmCom
Hi to all, I'm Neil VK4NF representing the Bunya Mts & District Amcom Inc.

We have a date claimer, Saturday the 4th February 2012

We are again holding our Ham & wine Hamfest in the Maclagan hall in
down town Maclagan from 0900 to 1400hrs. So we invite you to come to a
Hamfest towards the west and join in the fun.

Table bookings are just $10 each and stall holders will be allowed in after
0700hrs to set up.

For more info, or to receive a flyer with the details, please send an Email
to myself, holmzie@bigpond.com or Ricky, vk4nrl@wia.org.au

Be there or be square we would love to see you there.

The proceeds from the day will be put towards promoting Amateur radio, IRLP,
APRS, etc., and recruiting new amateurs to the great hobby.

So put the date in your diaries, Saturday the 4th February doors open at
0900hrs.
Remember it is towards the west, and not way out west, being about a
50 minute drive north west of Toowoomba.

Regards to all and as Graham would say, walk softly.

Ipswich & District Radio Club
P.O. Box 250
Ipswich Qld 4305
Web - www.vk4wip.com
Email - vk4wip@wia.org.au
Main 2 meter repeater - 146.900, linked to 438.375 and 439.300

Now a roundup of news from the Ipswich and District Radio Club.

In 2012 the club celebrates half a century, having been established in 1962
to foster the aims and ideals of amateur radio in the local community.

Throughout the year we will bring you a number of highlights from those
50 years. It's been an amazing period for technology development, and
through it all the hobby of amateur radio and the club has remained strong.

If anyone is considering sitting for the entry level Foundation Licence, the club conducts regular courses and exams. Please contact the club to express your interest.

The club meets twice a month at 7.30pm on the second and fourth Mondays, with the second Monday a social meeting and the fourth being the business meeting. The first social meeting for the year is tomorrow night, Mon 9 at the clubhouse.

The main Ipswich 2 meter repeater has been upgraded with the output power increased to 100 watts.

Additional enhancements to 146.900 now include automated relaying of the weekly WIA and QNEWS from VK4RGC Gold Coast every Sunday morning at 9am local time.
Special thanks to Rob VK4HW and Andrew VK4JV for their work on the upgrade.

Don't forget you can also keep up to date on news and events at the club website vk4wip.com

Reporting from Ipswich, this is Allan VK4FABR.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

A very happy and exciting New Year to all, from the members of the Redcliffe Club

Since last December, club members have been busy especially on 10, 6 and 2 metres in the last week or so with a 2 metre path to Adelaide open just recently.

Last December Darren, VK4DJH, James, VK4TJF, David, VK4PDR and Scotty, VK4NUT, participated in the ARRL 10 metre contest. The guys set up a portable station at historic Watts Bridge airfield, near Toogoolawah, using a trailer mounted tower provided by Kev, VK4UH and the club's 4 element wide spaced 10 metre beam made by John, VK4YJV and designed by Andy, VK4KY.

There were 381 contacts made with some 55 states and provinces of the US and Canada worked, and a total of 44 different DX countries. The team collected over 100,000 points for the contest. One of the contacts made by Darren, VK4DJH, was a QRP contact to Italy, using 5 watts and you can see and hear the contact on YouTube at 1900DAZZA. Darren was using a Yaesu 817 to make the contact.

Just after Christmas about 20 club members participated in a fund raising activity at the local Bunning's store. Just over $900 was raised with their organising efforts of John, VK4YJB and Charlie, VK4YZ.

The club has been advised that it scored 3 rd. place in the national VHF/UHF field day. Kev, VK4UH, John, VK4YJB, David, VK4DC and Phil, VK4IIA set up a portable site at the Camp Mountain lookout. Well done to all involved.

Roger, VL4ZLQ, advises that classes for Foundation, Standard and Advanced licences will commence in early March and the Advanced licence course will run until September. Roger can be contacted if you are interested in any of the courses via the club's web site, www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/.

The next technical talk will be on 16 Jan 2012 and will be by Steve, VK4CZ, and will cover the topic of 6 metre DX.

Two of our favourite visitors, Anita and Lauren, VK4FLMC visited the club last Monday night and all being well Lauren will be returning to Brisbane to undertake further study in 2012.

Well this is about all at the moment and so it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Airservices Australia Accreditation.

In yet another sign of the times in which we now live, Airservices Australia has asked that N.T.A.R.C. personnel accessing the Mt Barrow site now undertake formal induction training.

This is a two-step process.

First the individual needs to be formally nominated by NTARC. Once that is achieved, the individual needs to undertake the on-line Airservices training course and then successfully complete an on-line examination. At that point, a temporary certificate will be issued, with the definitive certificate to follow within 30 days.

The better news is that the certification process is not all that arduous. NTARC has successfully nominated three members in the initial round and two of those have sat the test promptly qualified.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

Recently I was talking to a non-amateur about Amateur Radio.
You know the kind of conversation, sitting around a coffee-table, talking about life, hobbies, etc.

I mentioned that I was getting out and about meeting people in Amateur Radio, participating in events, learning and generally having a great time. The person I was talking to immediately responded with: "That's all too technical for me, I could never do that."

And thus began a conversation that went for an hour or so on how radio works, what wave-length and frequency were, how sound is transmitted, how an antenna works, how you get a license, how much it costs and many of the mechanics related to our hobby.

At no point did we talk about Ohms, or impedance or electronics as such, it was more along the lines of throwing a pebble into a lake, but at the end of the discussion there was a great deal of demystification that had taken place.

It has taken a little while for me to realise, but the demystification is what hooked me in the first place. My introduction to Amateur Radio was sitting at a dinner table with a bunch of computer geeks one of whom was, and still is, an Amateur.

I'll protect her identity - she knows who she is - Hi Hi - but the introduction to the hobby was sideways, in that we started with Wi-Fi to control a quad-copter and the potential for using an Amateur Radio license to increase power and control this device from further away.

The quad-copter Wi-Fi project is still in the back of my mind - and I must stress that I've not investigated in any way, bands, power, etc.

My point is that I came across a hobby while I was looking elsewhere.

I know that some feel that our hobby is in decline, that the average age of Amateurs is increasing, but I'd like to point out that we as a society are getting more and more technology in our lives, more and more exposure to ideas and inventions that have a basis in Amateur Radio, more and more accessible to more and more people.

Our hobby isn't in decline.

It's easy to talk to other Amateurs, it's hard work talking to the rest of the world. Navel gazing is less work than standing up and looking around. I'd encourage you to consider other groups you're a member of, be it sailing, caravanning, computers, golf or fishing. People are social beings. They want to talk about things that are new and exciting, interesting, captivating. Share your experiences around, be as enthusiastic as you are in your shack, share the twinkle in your eye.

You might be surprised.

I'm Onno - vk6flab

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First Foundation course for 2012 conducted by ARNSW

ARNSW will conduct six [6] Foundation courses this year on Sunday of the odd months.

The first will be on January the 22 nd.

Others will be March 18; May 20; July 22; September 23 and November 18.

Assessments will be the following Sundays.

Location VK2WI at 63 Quarry Rd. Dural, Sydney. Contact by email education@arnsw.org.au

or

telephone 0400 445 829.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART and the WW sources of the WIA.

ARRL KIDS DAY TODAY JANUARY 8

The first of two Kids Day operating events for 2012 takes place today Sunday January 8.

Kids Day is a twice yearly on-the-air happening to encourage young people, licensed or not, to learn about our wonderful world of amateur radio and the fun it has to offer.

Kids Day is not a contest. Rather, it is a way to tell young people worldwide about the magic and mystery of two way hobby radio communications. To accomplish this, amateur radio stations are being asked to devote this short time window to promote both terrestrial and satellite operations to youngsters by providing a place to make contacts with other Kids Day stations around the world.

More information about Kids Day is on-line at www.arrl.org/kids-day

The Netherlands on 4m this year.

OZ 2 M reports that all radio amateurs in The Netherlands have access to the 4 metre band as of One January.

The frequency allocation is 70 to 70.5 MHz with a maximum power of 50W.

Cross band and duplex contacts are not permitted.

Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President, reports: and I quote

"Today, the Northern California DX Foundation announced a 'Christmas gift' of 500 US Dollars to help rebuild and re-equip the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand's (RAST) HS 0 AC Club station that was destroyed by recent flooding.

RAST is part of the Asian Technical Institute. The HS 0 AC club station is located within the Institute precinct.

For the past 40 years, NCDXF had not only been funding major DXpeditions, but is also committed to education and scholarships."

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

DONATIONS AND COORDINATION ASSISTANCE NEEDED TO HELP REBUILD RAST STATION DEVASTATED BY FLOODING

Ham radio groups from around the world are being asked to assist the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand which is seeking help to rebuild its headquarters station, HS0AC. This following massive flooding that recently hit that nation

not long ago. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

According to Dick Flanagan, K7VC, in Minden, Nevada, there have already several offers of equipment to the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand from members of the Northern California Contest Club. Also Rusty Epps, W6OAT, reports that the Yasme Foundation sent the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand a $2,000 donation to assist in the HS0AC rebuilding effort. But that will be only the beginning of what's required to bring the station back on the air.

Flanagan says that what is probably needed most right now is someone or some organization to coordinate the assistance effort, solicit the offers and manage the shipping and paperwork. He speculates that perhaps that administrative role could be taken on as a cooperative effort between the Northern California Contest Club, the Northern California DX Club, the International DX Association and perhaps the ARRL.

K7VC notes that this would be a wonderful way for individuals and clubs to express their holiday feelings of generosity to our fellow hams in need, He adds that we can use this opportunity to demonstrate to our Thai ham radio brothers and sisters what a coordinated effort can do to help them rebuild their wonderful station. Those with suggestions can contact Dick Flanagan by e-mail to dick@k7vc.com

AUSTRALIA SAYS OK ON CODEC 2 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

An emerging technical development is safe down-under. This with word from David Rowe, VK5DGR, that he has received confirmation that the amateur radio Codec 2 project is not controlled under the Australia's Defence Strategic Goods List.

For those of you not aware, Codec 2 is an open source low bit rate speech codec designed for communications quality audio at 2400 bits per second and below.

Applications include low bandwidth HF and VHF digital radio and VoIP trunking.

Concerns had been raised that Codec 2 might be subject to Australian government restrictions. As reported in the past, some countries impose severe limitations on certain aspects of amateur radio international cooperation in the area of technical experimentation. A good example is that of the amateur radio satellite community which has been negatively affected by United States Federal Government International Traffic in Arms Regulations. These threaten radio amateurs with heavy fines or even jail sentences if they collaborate with other radio hams in the rest of the world on certain aspects of ham radio satellite projects. It was feared Codec 2 might also be affected.

Now however, Rowe says he has received an e-mail from the Australian agency that deals with export control. It says that the specifications of CODEC 2 have been assessed as not controlled under the that nations Defence Strategic Goods List. Also that a Control Status Advice stating this will be released shortly.

While this clears the way for Australian cooperation on the CODEC 2 project it also begs the question of what other nations might decide to place CODEC 2 under its strategically prohibited information exchange list. Ultimately, the amateur

radio community in every nation involved in CODEC 2 and other technical development projects may have to sort this out on a case by case basis.

More about CODEC 2 is on line at codec2.org

(Southgate, others)

HAMS IN LEGANES SPAIN TURN TO FACEBOOK TO SAVE ANTENNAS

Hams in the city of Leganes, Spain are taking to Facebook in an attempt to try to retain the right to install and maintain their antennas.

Leganes is located about 11 km southwest of Spain's capital of Madrid. It's also where the city council has practically banned local radio amateurs from installing or retaining antenna systems. To bring this situation to the attention of the worlds of amateur radio outside Leganes, hams there have created a Facebook page at tinyurl.com/save-leganes-antennas

The page is in Spanish but they ask that hams worldwide who have a Facebook account to go to it and click the "Like" button. The ham radio community of Leganes, Spain, hopes that a large turnout of support will help convince the town council to reverse its highly restrictive rulings.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

January 1-31 VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

January 14-15 VK Summer VHF-UGF Field Day

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

May 5 VK/trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB

June 9-10 VK Shires Contest.

June 25 VK/trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August 11-12 VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Philippine Amateur Radio League 50th anniversary special event

Look for special event station 4G0LD to be active during 2012.

Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur Radio League (PARL).

QSL via the Bureau.

Also, the P.A.R.L. is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio stations that have established two-way communications with at least 12 QSOs with PARL members.

Look for more details at:
http://www.dx1l.dxhams.net/events.htm

GB80PW Practical Wireless 80th year

In the UK Ofcom have issued the special callsign GB 80 PW to Practical Wireless magazine. This special callsign is to celebrate the publication's 80th year in print.

Practical Wireless Magazine
http://www.pwpublishing.co.uk

DL1ZU is in Namibia through Jan 13th. His primary operating modes will be CW plus PSK, RTTY and SSB. QSL via his home call.

EA1CYK/P will be operational from Deception Island in the South Shetland group during his spare time until March of 2012. He has been spotted with a good signal on 10 meters.

G3SWH and G3OLU will be active from the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland between February 21st to the 29th. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Operation will be on CW only on 80 through 10 meters. QSL via G3SWH

Lastly, An international group of operators plan to visit Pitcairn Island and operate as VP6T between January 20th and February 4th. WIA National News is always wary of promoting DXpeditions but according to a web posting the operation hope to make at least 30,000 contacts while on the island.

Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters including the 30, 17 and 12 meter bands. Modes to be used include CW, SSB and RTTY.

The VP6T log will be uploaded to Logbook of the World during the operation QSL Manager is G3TXF. In addition to the usual routes they will also be using the new Online QSL Request Service provided by ClubLog.

www.vp6t.org

I mentioned how we are DXpedition "wary", a reason? well it's now official, Sable Island DXpedition has been postponed!

The latest update, dated December 30th, stated

Sable Island CY0 DXpedition postponed due to the landing area on the island being under water. A winter storm with 20+ foot swells pushed water onto the sand 'runway'. Al Wilson, the OIC on Sable, made an assessment of the landing area and there was no possibility of a flight to the island in the next five days

after that, it would depend on how quickly the water would drain from the landing area and if any other storms affect the island. At that point, they decided to postpone the DXpedition.

http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Dot-dash-diss: The gentleman hacker's 1903

A century ago, one of the world's first hackers used Morse code insults to disrupt a public demo of Marconi's wireless telegraph.

Late one June afternoon in 1903 a hush fell across an expectant audience in the Royal Institution's lecture theatre in London.

Before the crowd, the physicist John Ambrose Fleming was adjusting arcane apparatus as he prepared to demonstrate an emerging technological wonder: a long-range wireless communication system developed by his boss, the Italian radio pioneer Guglielmo Marconi.

Yet before the demonstration could begin, the apparatus in the lecture theatre began to tap out a message. At first, it spelled out just one word repeated over and over. Then it changed into a poem accusing Marconi of "diddling the public". Their demonstration had been hacked - and this was more than 100 years before the mischief playing out on the internet today.

Who was the Royal Institution hacker? How did the cheeky messages get there? And why?

Read the full New Scientist article - Dot-dash-diss: The gentleman hacker's 1903 lulz

http://www.newscientist.com/article/mg21228440.700-dotdashdiss
-the-gentleman-hackers-1903-lulz.html?full=true

(SouthGate)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Why keep the WIA web with old broadcasts available?
Does anyone access these older broadcasts?

YES THEY DO.

We are holding and make available to everyone, VK1WIA National News Services from 2012 back to and including 2009.

The highest download of audio was on July 19 2009 with some 1220 playbacks.
The highest read of the text was on July 12 2009 with 2,521 downloads

Now when a new broadcaster comes on line they are encouraged to subscribe to the wiabroadcasters at yahoogroups.com webservice.

Twice a week you receive emails, the first is posted detailing that weeks news broadcast, duration and where the audio can be downloaded from.

The 2nd email is a detailed tally sheet from all the official rebroadcast stations across VK. Remember the only rebroadcast stations of this news shown on the WIA "where to hear us" web page are the ones regularly sending us the number of call-backs each week.

If you wish to join and are a rebroadcaster drop us an email now, to nationalnews@wia.org.au

Also when sending National News Material PLEASE read the "how to submit items" on the weekly news page at wia.org.au

Don't send us just url's and please post your audio onto the news area, not by email.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Visualising HF Propagation

Mike Clarke VP8DMH, at the Halley Research Station, Antarctica, has been using WSPR and video to produce a simple visualisation of HF propagation.

He's been running WSPR using an FT-817 at 5W connected to one of the base antennas; running on each band of interest for just over 24 hours.

A relatively straightforward Perl script then automates the process of merging the database downloaded from wsprnet.org into a single 'virtual' day and creating the video:

Watch his video and read his post at
http://clarkema.org/posts/2011-12/2011-12-12-propagation-videos.html

Narrow Band ATV video

Chris Long VK3AML has produced a youtube.com video showing amateur radio narrow band TV which uses just 10 kHz bandwidth.

VK3AML starts with a raw and rather fuzzy 32 line image, generated within a 10 kHz bandwidth. Improvements are introduced -
(1) raising gamma to improve grey scale,
(2) sharpening applied to webcam software prior to standards conversion to 32-lines,
(3) high frequency boosting of 32 line wav file after standards conversion by applying FFT protocol in AdobeAudition V3 software.

The Standards Conversion Freeware necessary for converting video, avi or webcam to 32-line NBTV pictures can be found on Gary Millard's web page:
http://users.tpg.com.au/users/gmillard/nbtv.htm

Gary's software is excellent, and has been used to excellent effect by the Narrow Band Television Association for several years.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Chicken Little Contest update

According to AMSAT ARISSat-1 stopped transmitting on the morning of January 4. It is believed that the satellite re-entered the Earth's atmosphere around 0700 UTC (+/- three hours) and was destroyed soon after.

The predicted decay location is an open part of the South Atlantic, well west of Angola.

RN3ZF, sent a reception report of a pass at 0842 UTC and stated, "The telemetry was absent, voice messages were not legible, very silent and interrupted. Most likely, I saw the last minutes in the life of the satellite." The last full telemetry captured was received from ground stations as the satellite passed over Japan at 0602 UTC on January 4.

www.amsat.org/amsat-new/ARISSat/ARISSatContest

You can see how you in in the competition!

Creation of AMSAT-Francophone

A new amateur radio satellite organisation, AMSAT-Francophone, has been formed.

Following the disappearance of AMSAT-France a few months ago, some of the members who originally created AMSAT-France 16 years ago, thought it was still necessary to have a structure for the French amateur space activities and have created AMSAT-Francophone.

To find the AMSAT-Francophone website in English Google AMSAT-Francophone

http://tinyurl.com/AMSAT-Francophone

Trevor M5AKA says FUNcube's Launch details and time frame has been finalised.

An agreement has now been reached with ISIS Launch Services BV, who are based in the Netherlands, for them to provide a launch of the FUNcube-1 CubeSat.

It is anticipated that FUNcube-1, which has been created by a team of volunteer radio amateurs and other specialists over the past two years, will be launched in the third quarter of 2012.

The flight is planned to take place from the Yasny launch facility in southern Russia.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

10. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1795 - January 6 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-06 10:00:19 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120106100004.61E5D33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3827
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1795 - January 6 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1795 with a release date of
January 6th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. ARISSat One falls from orbit after bringing
the delight of ham radio to peoples world-wide; the last B-P-L system
in the USA to use the ham bands shuts down; the ARRL seeks input on a
new bandplan for 60 meters; Samoa and Tokelau cross the International
dateline and ham radio honors inventors Reginald Fessenden and Raymond
Heising, Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report
number 1795 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISSAT ONE MISSION COMES TO A CLOSE

The mission of ARISSat-1 has come to an end. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF,
is in the newsroom with the details:

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Reception reports indicate that ARISSat-1 fell from the sky on
Wednesday, January 4th. Its predicted impact point was in an open area
of the South Atlantic west of Angola.

The last full telemetry captured and uploaded to the ARISSatTLM web
site was at 6:02 UTC as the satellite passed over Japan. These reports
showed that the temperature aboard ARISSat One had been rising as
atmospheric drag began to affect the satellite. Final temperatures
received showed that the Internal Housekeeping Unit was at 167 degrees
Farenheight and was rising.

The last time ARISSat One was heard at the Amateur Radio Newsline
studio facility in California was on January 2nd at about 18:15 Pacific
Standard Time. During that transmission the satellite was at about 127
statute miles in altitude and several hundred miles West of Los
Angeles. Its signal sounded like this:

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ARISSat-1 audio

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Two days later, during the 8:42 UTC pass over Russia, RN3ZF sent in a reception report to the ARISSat-1 monitoring website. That posting stated telemetry was absent, voice messages were not legible and interrupted. It is pretty much assumed that RN3ZF most likely witnessed the last minutes in the life of satellite.

ARISSat-1 was deployed from the International Space Station on August 3, 2011 during a space walk by two Russian Cosmonauts. It marked the first ever test flight of an AMSAT designed Software Defined Transponder. One with the ability to transmit simultaneous FM voice on its downlink cycling between student messages, spoken telemetry and SSTV from cameras on the spaceframe. Students from around the world provided the voice announcements. The satellite also carried a student experiment from Kursk State University in Russia which measured atmospheric density.

ARISSat-1 was likely one of the most popular ham radio satellites ever placed on orbit and its one that is definitely going to be missed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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ARISSat-1 was originally to be named Suitsat 2. The entire project was re-engineered after the Russian spacesuit that was to become Suitsat 2 was prematurely jettisoned from the International Space Station before it could be fitted with ham radio gear. (ANS, WA4SCA, ARNewsline(tm))

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THE BPL FIGHT: IBEC CLOSES DOWN BPL OPERATIONS DUE TO FINANCIAL LOSSES

One of the very few remaining United States operators of a Broadband over Powerline Internet access system has announced that it is shutting down. A notice that appeared on the International Broadband Electric Communications web site said that due to its inability to overcome financial damage from the April 27th 2011 tornadoes that ravaged some of its service areas in Alabama, it regrets that it has no other option than to close its doors and cease operations.

International Broadband Electric Communications better known by the acronym IBEC went on to say the customer support would cease on January 16th and urged its customer base to seek alternative Internet access as soon as possible. It also stated that it sincerely cares about the Internet needs of rural America and detests watching the national carriers ignore the communications needs of so many hard working families across the nation.

IBEC was headquartered in Huntsville, Alabama. It provided Internet service using broadband over power line technology to rural communities in several states including Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana as well as Alabama. With is departure, the ARRL says that there is no other Broadband over Powerline system in the United States that uses the

amateur bands in their deployments. You can read the IBEC closure announcement on its website at www.ibec.net. (Various news reports)

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RESTRUCTURING: ARRL SEEKING INPUT ON A 60 METER BANDPLAN

The ARRL is seeking input on a proposed new bandplan for the 5 MHz or 60 meter band.

As previously reported, last November the FCC released a Report and Order detailing new rules for the 5 MHz Amateur Radio band. This announcement brought with it a number of changes for 60 meter operators.

Changes include substituting a channel at 5 point 358 point 5 MHz for 5 point 368 MHz previously authorized. The effective radiated limit in the 60 meter band will be raised by 3 dB to 100 W Peak Envelope Power relative to a half-wave dipole. Also, three additional emission types are authorized. These are Data, RTTY and CW will be authorized as soon as an effective date for a rules change is announced.

The ARRL says that considering the expected increase in 60 meter activity when the FCC's Report and Order finally takes effect, the League is asking for feedback to assist in crafting a proposed band plan. If you're a 60-meter operator, e-mail your suggestions to hf-band-plan (at) arrl (dot) org. You can also participate in an online survey at tinyurl.com/60-meter-plan. (ARRL)

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TIME TRAVEL: SAMOA AND TOKELAU JUMP INTERNATIONAL DATELINE

The tiny South Pacific nation of Samoa and its neighbor Tokelau have jumped forward in time crossing westward over the International Date Line. This, to align themselves with their other 21st century trading partners throughout the region.

At the stroke of midnight on December 29th time in Samoa and Tokelau leapt forward to December 31st which was New Year's Eve. For Samoa's 186,000 citizens, and the 1,500 in Tokelau, Friday December 30, 2011 simply ceased to exist.

Of coarse this does complicate the QSL'ing process for ham radio contacts made with either of these entities on the dates that were simply cast away. It will be interesting to see how the DXCC and pother awards operations handle this situation. (Media Network)

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NCDXF CONTRIBUTES $15000 TO HK0NA OPERATION

The Northern California DX Foundation has made a $15,000 (dollar) contribution to the HK0NA Malpelo Island DXpedition which is scheduled take place from January 21st to February 5th or 6th.

According to team co-leader Bob Allphin, K4UEE, an advance team of four members departed on Christmas day with nearly 4 tons of gear to transport to the island. They will establish two camps and set up antennas and stations which should be ready when the main team arrives January 21st.

Allphin says that no expedition has ever operated from the top of the island before. Because of this western North America, Asia and Oceana have a much higher need for it.

For the past 40 years the Northern California DX Foundation has funded major DXpeditions to many of the worlds most wanted entities. Malpelo was rated as number 12 on the DX Magazine's Most Wanted List for 2011. More about this massive DX operation is on-line at HK0NA dot com.

The Northern California DX Foundation has also sent a $500 Christmas gift to the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand's HS0AC Club This to help rebuild and re-equip the HS0AC station that was destroyed by recent flooding.

We will have more DX related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (NCDXF, W0GJ)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K3ZFF repeater of the Boise County Amateur Radio Club serving Boise, Idaho.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: FEMA PLANS MORE AND LONGER EAS TESTS

FEMA and the FCC plans to conduct more, longer, national EAS tests. This, according to Damon Penn who is the assistant administrator for National Continuity Programs at the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, is here with the details:

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According to news reports FEMA's Damon Penn recently told a congressional panel that after broadcasters report their E-A-S results to the FCC that his agency will be able to determine the extent of the successes and limitations of the November 9th 2011 national test. It will also let FEMA lay plans for future system testing.

Reports say that much of Penn's testimony centered on how to improve the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System known by the acronym IPAWS. This includes making it accessible to people with disabilities. To accomplish this, FEMA has partnered with organizations like National Public Radio to demonstrate that incorporating Common Alerting Protocol

enabled technologies to alert persons with access and functional needs. Penn says that National Public Radio is working on using Common Alerting Protocol compliant messages to deliver alerts through N-P-R's digital radio to prototype devices that activate a bed shaker, display an audio alert in text and output the text to a Braille printer.

Penn also noted that FEMA continues to expand and harden Primary Entry Point stations, going from 36 in 2009 to a current level of 63 with three more under construction. Primary Entry Point stations are those used by the government to originate a nationwide alert. Penn says that by the end of 2012, some 77 Primary Entry Point stations will cover more than 90% of the nation's population.

In his testimony Penn noted that new Primary Entry Point stations all use a standard configuration. This he says means savings in maintenance costs and ensuring ease of movement between these operations. New stations also have the ability to operate under extreme conditions and possess backup equipment and power.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Penn said that legacy Primary Entry Point stations will be retrofitted to meet the current Primary Entry Point station resiliency standards. (RW)

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RADIO DAMAGE: FIRE TAKES PENNSYLVANIA AM STATION OFF THE AIR

A Carlisle, Pennsylvania radio station has been taken off the air due to a fire. WIOO AM Program Director Ray Thomas told W-H-T-M news that everything was fine when he left the building to get lunch at around 1 p.m. on Monday, January 2nd. When he returned sometime later he found the building was on fire.

Operations Manager Eric Swidler says station personnel need to determine how much of the facility's equipment is salvageable and time to locate new studio space. Right now, It's unclear when WIOO will be back on the air. An electrical malfunction has been blamed for the blaze. (RW)

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ENFORCEMET: POPULAR FT. MYERS FLORIDA UNLICENSED STATION SHUT DOWN

Another crackdown on unlicensed radio operations in Florida. Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

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A Lee County, Forida, man has been arrested for broadcasting gospel and public service announcements over 107.5 mHz without a license.

The station called itself Dunbar Community Radio, which catered to the Ft. Myers area. It was shut down on December 9th after its operator, Al Knighten, was arrested for illegally broadcasting shows and music.

Fort Myers Police helped with the FCC bust but Captain Dennis Eads admitted it was a difficult task. He told the local press that the station was providing a service, but the bottom line is that it's operation was illegal.

For his part, station owner Knighten says he doesn't have any regrets. In an interview with WBBH television news he was quoted as saying he believes it was worth it in letting people know we can create something in this community that we can be proud of.

Im Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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What further action will be taken against Knighten by the FCC or the state of Florida is unknown as we go to air. (RBR.com, FCC)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: OPERATORS NEEDED FOR CANADIAN SKI MARATHON

Volunteer operators are needed for the 2012 Canadian Ski Marathon will be held on February 11th and 12th. According to Harold Hamilton, VA3UNK, the event will be held in Western Quebec Province's Ottawa Valley running eastward between Buckingham and Lachute. VA3UNK notes that the marathon depends on ham radio volunteers to provide safety and logistical communication for the benefit of the skiers. If you would like to take part, please e-mail VA3UNK to radio1 (at) admin2 (dot) ca. More information on this event is on-line at www.radio-1.ca. (VA3UNK)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: ARVN RELEASES ARRL/TAPR DCC VIDEO

Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, of Amateur Radio Video News has released video of the entire 2011 ARRL and Tucson Amateur Packet Radio Digital Communications Conference on the World-Wide-Web. Amateur Radio Video News says that it is also trying a shareware approach to the funding of these videos. It is trusting that those who view them will in turn make a contribution to cover their production costs. You can screen these videos and get information on how to support this and future Amateur Radio Video News projects by taking your web browser to www.arvn.tv. (KN4AQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: YOUR HELP NEEDED TO KEEP W5KUB NETCASTS ON THE WEB

One of the true good-guys of ham radio says that he needs the financial support of those who watch his live video coverage of the Dayton Hamvention and other major ham radio events at W5KUB dot com to keep these Netcasts coming their way.

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, has been Netcasting the Dayton Hamvention and Huntsville Hamfest for the past 10 years. He says that covering such events is a major undertaking for him that requires several months of preparation for each one that is live streamed. And during the decade he has provide this service he has done so paying almost every penny himself.

Medlin lives in the Memphis, Tennessee area. According to W5KUB, it now costs him close to $1500 to live stream any of these shows to viewers worldwide. Using the Dayton Hamvention as an example, some of his expenses include over $500 in hotel charges; $200 or more in gasoline for his mobile unit and another $210 for his flea-market parking spaces.

But that's not all. As Tom points out, his video streaming service is not a part of the Hamvention he gets no subsidy from it. So he has to pay another $70 for tickets for himself and his crew plus about $400 for food and expendable items such as batteries and the like. And in the end it works out at about $1500 each time he provides the video streaming service.

According to a posting on his W5KUB.com website, expenses have climbed through the roof over the past few years. As such, he is asking those who view his Netcasts to please consider donating a little to help defray his expenses in providing this service. He says that his goal is to try to raise at least $1000 in donations this year to go towards the $1500 expense. If he can get that, he will continue to subsidize the difference.

Tom adds he never wanted to ask for donations but that may be what it takes if he is to continue broadcasting these events. More information on how to support this worthy cause is on-line at tmedlin.com/donate.html. (ARNewsline(tm) from W5KUB.com posting)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: CONTEST UNIVERSITY 2012 - MAY 17 IN DAYTON OHIO

The 2012 Contest University will be held May 17th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Dayton, Ohio. This in concurrence with this years Dayton Hamvention.

This years scheduled instructors include such notables as N6TR, K3NA, K7NV, XE1KK, W5WZ and K2RD to name only a few. Also, several past professors will present papers as well.

Early bird registration is open through January 31st. More information is on liner at www.contestuniversity.com. (Contest University)

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HAMVENTION 2012: AWARDS NOMINATIONS DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15

January 15th is the deadline to submit nominations for the Dayton Hamvention 2012 awards for Amateur of the Year, Special Achievement,

Technical Excellence and Club of the Year.

The Amateur of the Year Award goes to an individual who has made a long-term, outstanding commitment to the advancement of amateur radio. The Technical Excellence Award is for the person who has made an outstanding technical advancement in the field of amateur radio. The Special Achievement Award honors someone who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of amateur radio, usually someone who has spearheaded a significant project. The Club of the Year award goes to a club which has made a significant contribution to the advancement of amateur radio.

All amateur radio operators are eligible. The Hamvention Awards Committee makes the decision on all awards based in part upon the information it receives. Documentation that informs the Awards Committee of a nominee's accomplishments may include magazine articles, newsletters, newspaper clippings, and even videos. These materials become the property of Hamvention and will not be returned.

Additional details on these awards and a nomination form are available on the Dayton Hamvention Website located in cyberspace at www.hamvention.org/awards.php. Nominations also are accepted via US mail to Dayton Hamvention Awards, PO Box 964, Dayton, Ohio, 45401.

The winners will be recognized at the 2012 Hamvention, which runs May 18th to the 20th at the HARA Arena in the Dayton suburb of Trotwood, Ohio. Hamvention planners say that they hope to see you there. (Hamventionr)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO FROM SPACE: SETI SEARCH BEGINS ANEW

Researchers have once again undertaken the search for intelligent life on other planets. After lying dormant for more than seven months, radio telescopes run by the SETI Institute have once again begun listening for radio signals from the many alien planet candidates discovered by NASA's Kepler space telescope. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the details:

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S-E-T-I or SETI is an acronym that stands for the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence. On Monday December 5th, Jill Tarter, who is the director of the Center for SETI Research at the SETI Institute announced that the group has begun re-observing the Kepler worlds using a ground-based radio telescope system.

SETI's Allen Telescope Array or A-T-A is a set of 42 dish type antennas located about 300 miles northeast of San Francisco, California. It began scanning the heavens for electromagnetic signals that could betray the presence of an intelligent alien civilization back in 2007. In January of 2011 the SETI team started training the Allen array on the 54 planet candidates Kepler had detected what is described by astronomers as the first habitable zone to date. Then it was shut down due to budgetary constraints.

Once funds became available, SETI researchers reactivated the Allen Telescope and have begun using Kepler's discoveries to guide its activities. The Kepler space telescope was placed on-orbit in March 2009. Its mission is to hunt for Earth-size planets in their parent stars' habitable zone. That would position such planets at just the right range of distances from their home star where liquid water and perhaps life as we know could exist.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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SETI and ham radio have had a long association with one another going back several decades. (Space.com)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT FRANCOPHONE FORMED TO REPLACE AMSAT-FRANCE

Amsat-Francophone is the name of a new organization that hopes to replace AMSAT-France which was dissolved in late 2011. Formed in late December, AMSAT-Francophone lists among its goals the development of amateur satellites, technology and systems useful for the construction and / or use of amateur satellites and participation in national and international non-commercial projects in space. The hams behind AMSAT-Francophone are said to be some of the people who originally created AMSAT-France 16 years ago. More in Google translated English is at tinyurl.com/AMSAT-Francophone. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AGEING FO-29 RECOVERED FROM SHUTDOWN

The Fuji Oscar 29 Command Team reports from Japan that they have recovered the satellite after it had experienced a shutdown. This, due to longer eclipse periods causing an under-voltage condition.

Ground station operators have placed FO-29 in a temporary, but stable configuration for further testing and recovery operations. They were to

test FO-29 while it is over Japan between December 23rd and the 25th. If no problems occur the Command Team will announce an operating schedule for the satellite for the early part of 2012. (JE9PEL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NO 40 METER CONTACTS POSSIBLE WITH THE ISS

According to a note from the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station team, rumors that the ISS was having direct contacts on the 40 meter band are false. The reason that this is not possible is that there is no high frequency radio gear on board the orbiting outpost. What is likely being heard is space station audio being retransmitted by an amateur station on the ground. ARISS notes that WA3NAN which is the club station at the Goddard Spaceflight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, is among those that retransmit shuttle audio. (ANS)

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In DX, word that the long planed Sable Island DXpedition has been postponed. According to AA4VK and WA4DAN, a recent winter storm with twenty foot swells pushed water onto the sand runway making it unusable. Al Wilson, the Officer in Charge of Sable Island made an assessment of the landing area and reported there was no possibility of a flight to the island at that time. Also, resumption of air operations to Sable would depend on how quickly the water would drain from the landing area and if any other storms affect the island. At that point, the DXpedition planners decided to postpone the operation. For the latest on when the operation might be rescheduled please check www.cy0dxpedition.com on the World Wide Web.

Keep an ear open for special event station 4G0LD to be active during 2012. This operation is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur Radio League. QSL only via the Bureau.

Lastly, listen out for six operators to be active as TN2T from the Republic of the Congo between January 22nd and the 31st. Using three stations, the DXpedition will be active on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL Manager is M0URX. More information is on-line at www.tn2t.be.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HONORING FESSENDEN AND HEISING NEAR 500 KC

And finally this week, in honor of inventors Reginald Fessenden and Raymond Heising, a special operation is taking place on 472.5 kHz. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the rest of the details:

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As early as 1900 Reginald Fessenden was experimenting with the direct transmission of human speech. A bit later, during WW1, Raymond Heising was developing a method of constant-current modulation that was one of the earliest forms of Amplitude Modulation.

Brian Justin, WA1ZMS/4 is part of the ARRL's Low Frequency WD2XSH Experimental License. With the cooperation of commercial coastal CW station WNE and the FCC's Office of Engineering Technology Justin has received a Special Temporary Authority with call sign WF9XIH. This to permit AM transmissions with a center carrier frequency of 472.5kHz until March 1st.

Reginald Fessenden is best remembered for his Christmas Eve 1906 transmission. It was comprised of him playing the violin, playing a recording and him reading a Bible verse. Justin began his operation the week of December 18th of 2011 with a special recreation of that 1906 Christmas Eve transmission:

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Actual transmission audio.

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According to Justin, WF9XIH is licensed for up to 20 watts Effective Radiated Power and he says that every effort is being made to run as close to that ERP as possible. The antenna is a 160 meter dipole that tends to be very lossy when fed by a 600 meter signal. This is the same antenna that he has been using for his WD2XSH/31 operation.

WF9XIH transmissions are being coordinated with W-N-E and any changes to the WNE schedule will alter the WF9XIH operating times. The current plan is to make at least one Heising modulated AM transmission most evenings at 02:00 UTC. Audio loops of speech and a series of stepped audio tones will be used most of the time. The stepped audio tones should make it easier for DX listeners to demodulate them in CW or SSB mode even when they are well beyond the range of the AM signal.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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If you happen to copy a WF9XIH transmission, WA1ZMS requests that you log it at www (dot) 500kc (dot) com. Information about the ongoing WD2XSH/31 operation can be found at tinyurl.com/wd2xsh31 (WA1ZMS/4)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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11. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-06 21:09:19 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201201062025.q06KPAx6030566@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3828
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 01/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our lastet NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal "Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-01-06 We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday) from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you vy welcome for any input and we do hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 *

The MMMonVHF VHF-DX-Portal is happy to invite all VHF enthusiasts and VHF-DX'ers to join the new survey to identify the "The Best VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2011". The aim of the survey is to thank the very hard efforts of those who organized and carried out so many nice expeditions and trips all around the world on the VHF bands in the past year 2011.
Participation period: 01. January to
31 December - Voting period: 01. January 2012 - 21. January 2012 :
Persons or Groups who organized and carried out some kind of exped.
in the 144 MHz band segment via Meteor Scatter or Earth-Moon-Earth propagation. Expeditions / Activities have had to be spread out on the VHF-DX-Portal Make More Miles on VHF in the year 2011 and must have found their way into the "REVIEW" section of MMMonVHF.
You will be able to vote by selecting a maximum of 5 expeditions alltogether in TWO categories (MS and EME) by ticking the box in front of the expeditions. The voting page will be available by direct link at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/voting.php from up 1 st of January 2012 until 21 st of January 2012. Results in February 2012.
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter - Current Issue January 2012 **

Since 2003 DF2ZC publishes the 144 MHz EME NewsLetter. This is a free service for the EME community. Bernd, DF2ZC, informed us that the latest edition of the EME-Newsletter is now available
at: http://www.df2zc.de/newsletter > EMENL201201 [629 KB] 73
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC to MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; Start: 2011-12-28 ** USE or SUBSCRIBE:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4041

Again this year F1DUZ and F6APE will catch the moon from Guadeloupe Island as FG4KH (FK96HF) LATEST NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated
2012-01-05: From 01/01 to 04/01 5 new calls in the log for a total of 24 different. For tomorrow some activity in late afternoon and friday only in the evening 73 - NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated
2012-01-01: 22 QSOs in the log. The conditions will be not good in the next days but I will try to be QRV at moonrise exept if the degrad is too high. 73 all
SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EW ; Square: KO42 ; Start: 2012-01-03 ** USE or SUBSCRIBE:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4087

EW/RM2M QRV from KO42 - cancelled - LATEST NEWS from Alex, RM2M, dated 2012-01-04: Gys, Please inform DL8EBW and all VHF chat.
Once again I had a problem with my family health (2 small sons-is ill now) and I don't have possibility to made pedition in January, sorry. Possibility my free time can start fafter 7th of January, but it's too late for MS. However, I try again to make pedition to KO42/32 in May 2012. SOURCE: Alex, RM2M via Gye, PA1GYS

** DXCC: E7 ; Square: JN93 ; Start: 2012-01-04 ** USE or SUBSCRIBE:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4087

E77AR qrv from JN93 in QUAs via FSK441 - cancelled
Message from E77AR. I was planed to work 4/5. January during Quadrantides, but my plan is broken. Nothing before April.
SOURCE: tnx to Gys, PA1GYS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** PJ4C 2012 - Official Bulletin No 3 - QRV as well 50 MHz **

All the team wish you an happy New Year 2012. We are now a few days from departure and all the team is very enthusiastic. In mid-December around 600Kg of equipment has left Europe to Bonaire, Peter PJ4NX will take care of it until our arrival. Jeff F6AOJ has repaired equipment damaged in TJ9PF last year, Mat F5PED has prepared the 30m 4sq, and Yann F1NGP has configured all the computer network. Thanks to all the F6KOP team everything has been prepared and packed on time. Eric ON7RN and Peter PJ4NX have organized everything with the shipper. Read all in detail at: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4092

SOURCE: Maurice, F5NQL, F6KOP member direct to MMMonVHF

** V21FS and V21ZG, qrv from FK97CC on HF and 50 MHz **

Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG will once again be active as V21FS and V21ZG, respectively, from the Villa Sundowerns, near Pottery Village, island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118, WW Loc FK97CC) beginning 5th March 2012, for a few weeks. Focus on 16-6m if sunspots allow Mainly RTTY, PSK and SSB. V21ZG will look especially for JA and QRP stations. QSL via the German QSL-bureau DARC to DL7AFS, or direct. Website: www.qsl.net/dl7afs/
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (30 Dec 2011 - 06 Jan 2012)

** Andy, N8OFS, back in 50 MHz Contest2 **

Look for Andy, N8OFS (SMIRK #6737, IHRAS #0007), to be active in the January ARRL VHF Sweepstakes Contest (21-23 January) from Medina, Ohio (WW Loc. EN91AE). He will be "parked and locked on
50.155 MHz USB to protect the frequency and the 'WA8ICH and Friends Net' from the kill-a-what kids on this side of the pond who have no ears and don't even have the common courtisy to ask if the frequency is in use. 90W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the PAR OA-50 at 19.8ft".
QSL direct only (QRZ.com), or via eQSL.
SOURCE: [N8OFS] via ICPO Bulletin (30 Dec 2011 - 06 Jan 2012)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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12. [RAC-Bulletin] Pitcairn Island Dxpedition VP6T - January 20 - February 4, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-07 01:16:28 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F079D75.8000004@rac.ca>
Source record: 3829
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Pitcairn Island Dxpedition VP6T - January 20 - February 4, 2012
2012-01-06

There is going to be a Dxpedition to Pitcairn Island (OC-044, CQ Zone 32) between January 20th and February 4th, 2012. The operator lineup is made of Jacques F6BEE, Gilles VE2TZT, Nigel G3TXF, Michel FM5CD and Vincent F4BKV

They will be on all bands 160-10 metres including the WARC bands during their stay.

They will try and upload the VP6T log to LoTW during the operation if they can. if not, they will upload the logs after their arrival home. They will try to update their VP6T log on "ClubLog" as often as they can during the operation.

For their operating plans, QSL information and other information, take a look at the Dxpedition web site at: http://www.vp6t.org/

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

13. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1325919900@panix.com>
Source record: 3830
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

14. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-07 07:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1325920200@panix.com>
Source record: 3831
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
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For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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15. SARL News in English 7/1/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-07 16:41:22 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <E9C45E52A2664E91AF91CDEDE118057C@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3832
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 08 JANUARY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 and 3,695 MHz SSB.

In the news today:

SARL WEB NOW FULLY WITH NEW ISP

ARRL DIAMOND DXCC CHALLENGE

ARISSAT-1 RE-ENTERS EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE, FALLS SILENT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL WEB NOW FULLY WITH NEW ISP

The final change over of the SARL web and sarl.org.za addresses to the new ISP on 31 December was not painless. Despite earlier requests the domain registration authority did not make the changes before they closed for the New Year weekend so we entered the New Year without the SARL web and working email addresses. The process restarted on 3 January and required a lengthy administrative process which finally culminated in the domain being transferred to the new ISP, Altech Technology Concepts, on 4 January 2012.

The SARL apologizes for the interruption. A team led by Peter Hers, ZS6PHD, continue to work on the web. Details were shared with members in a recent SARL letter which is now also available for download on the web should you have missed it.

Many thanks to Peter and his team for their unselfish work.

ARRL DIAMOND DXCC CHALLENGE

During 2012 the ARRL will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of the DXCC. To celebrate this important milestone, the ARRL has gone back to

the beginning -- the 1937 DXCC List. The Diamond DXCC Challenge will test DXers' ability to contact all the 231 entities on the original DXCC List.

The ARRL tried to find corresponding entities today that would represent the places listed in 1937. There are a few places that were merged, like French and British New Hebrides, and the Papua and New Guinea Territories. In those places, for 2012 if you work a YJ or a P29 (on the main island of New Guinea) you will get credit for working two entities! Many other oddities are sprinkled throughout the list, too. Returning to the air in 2012 will be the Canal Zone (any HP operating within 8 kilometers of the Panama Canal), the Cities of Gdansk, Poland, as well as Ifni, Morocco and Balochistan.

For some entities that now consist of multiple countries, you may work any of today's entities to qualify for that single 1937 country. For example, French Equatorial Africa will be considered worked if you log a station in TL, TN, TR or TT in 2012. The Diamond DXCC country tables show the current entity names and prefixes that qualify for the 1937 countries. For more information visit www.arrl.org.

ARISSAT-1 RE-ENTERS EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE, FALLS SILENT

AMSAT reports that ARISSat-1 stopped transmitting on the morning of January 4. It is believed that the satellite re-entered the Earth's atmosphere around 07:00 UTC (+/- three hours) and was destroyed soon after. Telemetry reports showed that the temperature aboard ARISSat-1 had been rising as the atmospheric drag began to affect the satellite. The predicted decay location is an open part of the South Atlantic, well west of Angola.

The last telemetry reports indicated that the internal temperature had topped 75 degrees Celcius and was rising rapidly. Konstantin Vladimirovich, RN3ZF, sent a reception report of a pass at 08:42 UTC and stated, "The telemetry was absent, voice messages were not legible, very silent and interrupted. Most likely, I saw the last minutes in the life of the satellite." The last full telemetry captured was received from ground stations as the satellite passed over Japan at 06:02 UTC on January 4.

ARISSat-1 was deployed from the International Space Station on 3 August 2011 during EVA-29 on by Cosmonaut/Flight Engineers Sergei Volkov, RU3DIS, and Alexander Samokutyaev. The satellite carried a student experiment from Kursk State University in Russia that measured atmospheric density. Students from around the world provided the voices for the FM voice announcements.

AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW, said that ARISSat-1 marked a new type of satellite that captured the attention of the national space agencies around the world. "With ARISSat-1, we have we have been able to design, launch, and operate a unique educational opportunity," he explained. "By designing an educational mission aligned with NASA's

Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics goals, radio amateurs around the world have been able enjoy a new satellite in orbit."

ARISSat-1 achieved several "firsts" for Amateur Radio in space, including the first flight test of the AMSAT Software Defined Transponder, which included an FM voice downlink cycling between student messages, spoken telemetry and SSTV; a 16 kHz bandwidth linear transponder; a CW beacon carrying telemetry and call signs of radio amateurs (noting their significant contributions to Amateur Radio in space) and a robust, forward-error-corrected 1 kbps BPSK digital downlink carrying satellite telemetry and Kursk experiment telemetry.

MATERIAL FOR RADIO ZS

The editor of Radio ZS requests members to provide articles and photographs for the 2012 issues of Radio ZS. Suitable photographs are required for the front cover and should show radio amateurs in action. Articles can be of a technical nature, or about a club project or club activities, a DXpedition or related activities.

Articles can be sent in MS Word, OpenOffice or RTF format, pictures should be sent as JPG files. Material can be sent by e-mail to radiozs@sarl.org.za or by post to PO Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324.

PEARS VHF CONTEST TO INSPIRE CONTACTS BETWEEN DIVISIONS

The PEARS National VHF/UHF Contest will take place on 20-22 January 2012 and will feature SSB, CW, FM and digital modes. The first session commences on Friday at 18:00 CAT until Saturday at 16:00 CAT. The second starts immediately thereafter and ends Sunday 14:00 CAT.

The main objective for the PEARS National VHF/UHF contest this year will be to inspire VHF contacts between the divisions in the RSA and promote VHF activity. They wish to appeal to all the Radio Clubs in the RSA to encourage field and base stations in their area for this VHF contest and make it successful. This can also result in a special competition between Club stations country-wide.

The main long distance contest frequencies are on 50,200 MHz SSB and 144,200 MHz SSB. In recent contests weaker distant stations have been drowned out by strong local stations and long conversations. To avoid this problem in the future, VHF stations are kindly requested to work all local stations, which are within 100 km from them, on the FM contest channels of 50,400 MHz and 144,400 MHz where they can compare notes and have short chats. If the SSB contest frequency is occupied then QSY 5 or 10 kHz higher in frequency.

Wishing you good luck and help to make it a real national VHF contest.

HAMNET GAUTENG SOUTH MEETING

All persons with a passion for community service and emergency communications are invited to the first HAMNET Gauteng South Meeting for 2012.

Details are as follows: >Date: Thursday 12 January 2012 Time: 19:00 - 21:00 Venue: 9th Benoni Scout Hall, Arrowe Park Benoni.

Community Activities and your possible involvement will be discussed for 2012. We will be QRV on 145,675 MHz FM and 438,700 MHz FM.

Take biscuits along, HiHi.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP reports that the solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a slight chance for isolated M-class activity. Currently all the sunspots on the earth facing side of the sun are magnetically simple and quiet.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 88.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

8 January - ARRL Kids Day events, information on www.arrl.org/kids-day. 12 January - HAMNET Gauteng South Meeting at 19:00. 15 January - Last day for submission of summaries of proposed papers for the Radio Technology in Action Symposiums 2012 to artoday@sarl.org.za. 20-22 January - PEARS National VHF/UHF Contest. 31 January - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium. Remember also to submit nominations for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, Z6SNE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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16. IFR 1200 rear ring case holder

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-08 20:15:49 UTC
From: Karl in Spokane <ak2orepeater@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <09161125-b9a1-4016-a166-d90a06975c41@m11g2000yqe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3833

I’m looking for the rear “ring” holder that keeps the case on the IFR 1200. Please get a hold of me if you do. If the email does not work please visit my web site for contact (thanks in advance).
Karl in Spokane
http://www.srgclub.org

17. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-001E - Trustee wanted for Defence of Amateur Radio Fund (DARF)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-08 20:52:51 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F0A0040.9070202@rac.ca>
Source record: 3834
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-001E - Trustee wanted for Defence of Amateur Radio Fund (DARF)
2012-01-08

RAC is looking for a person to fill the recently vacated trustee position in DARF. The DARF trustee must be a licensed amateur and may not be an officer, employee, director or agent of RAC. DARF is a Trust Fund established in the early 90's to provide financial support for travel expenses of an Amateur representative on the Canadian delegation to World Radio Conferences to defend the Amateur Radio Bands.

The World Radio Conferences occur under the aegis of the International Telecommunications Union, a United Nations agency responsible for information and communication technologies and managing the radio spectrum. Moving the short wave broadcasting allocation out of the 40 Metre band was accomplished at a WRC and was a major victory for amateur radio.

As a Trust, DARF's role is to raise and manage donated funds. These funds can only be used for the stated purposes. All decisions by the trustees must be unanimous to ensure that the purpose of the DARF trust is upheld. Funds are held in a trust account at a major chartered bank and can only be withdrawn with two of three trustees. signatures. The current trustees are Gerry Hohn, VE6LB, Dave Snydal, VE4XN, and one vacancy. DARF has no policy role. The Board of Directors of RAC set policy and nominates the amateur representative on the Canadian delegation.

If you are interested please provide your name and a brief resume [no more than 500 words in French or English] email communication preferred to:

Paul Burggraaf, VO1PRB
51 Greenspond Drive
St. Johns NL, A1E 5Z9
Vo1prb73064;rac.ca

Geoff Bawden VE4BAW
President and Chairman - Radio Amateurs of Canada

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18. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 8th January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-08 21:00:16 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120108210002.E550E33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3835
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 8th January 2012

IRTS AGM & Rally 2012

The IRTS AGM, Annual Dinner and Rally this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society at the Fairways Hotel on the weekend of April 21st & 22nd 2012. Please keep your diaries free for this special event in our 80th year Anniversary celebrations. More details to follow.

Counties Contest

The IRTS 80 metres counties contest, held on Monday 2nd January was well supported, with plenty of activity right up to the last minute of the contest. Most counties appeared to be represented, although some made only a brief appearance. Our reporters tell us that Carlow, Cavan and Kerry were top of the "most wanted" list, with other sizeable counties like Tipperary and Waterford not far behind.

This year there was a reasonable level of activity on the CW portion of the band. As darkness fell, CW ops benefited in particular from the improved propagation between Ireland and mainland Europe, allowing some Scandinavian and Eastern European stations to answer their contest calls.

Logs should be submitted as soon as possible to contestmanager/ at/ irts /dot/ ie

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Happy New Year

Our President, Paul Martin, EI2CA, wishes all of us a very happy new year. He writes, "I thank the large number of stations who turned out to participate in the 80m Counties contest last Monday. While we must await the final receipt of logs, it would appear that just over one hundred separate EI and GI stations were active for the event. This is a great start for the 80th anniversary celebrations and we look forward to an exciting 2012."

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary this year 2012. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at /irts / dot/ie

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The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group (SEARG)

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group's APRS node and weather station is back up and running having been off-air for a time due to sensor problems. It is now located at the Waterford City River Rescue HQ which is on the river Suir in Waterford City. The output from it can be viewed onwww.aprs.fi, callsign is EI2WCP-2. Data (including graphs) are also available on the clubs web site atwww.searg.com/weather.php. The club would like to thank Waterford City River Rescue for hosting the equipment.

The next meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 30th of January at 8:30 p.m. in the Roanmore GAA centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford and all are welcome to attend. The meeting will be preceeded by a committee meeting at 8:00 p.m., committee members are asked to attend.

For latest news from the group, visit www.searg.com and you can also follow South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on Facebook and Twitter.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be holding its AGM on the 27 January 2012 at 8.30pm in Hannons Hotel Roscommon. All members are requested to attend and all newcomers are welcome to attend. For more info please see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com.

Limerick Radio Club

The next club meeting of Limerick Radio Club will take place on Wednesday 11 January 2012 at the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm. A talk will be given by Ger McNamara EI4GXB on Log Book of the World LOTW. Annual club dues can also be paid on the night to Hon. Treasurer Tony Condon EI2AW. As always, new members are welcome to attend.

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

The year 2012 is the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom. To qualify for an attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas. Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required. For more details follow www.beru.org.uk

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DX News

Several German operators have been active from Namibia during the past few weeks. Some have returned home but those still active include V5/DJ2BQ, V5/DL1ZU and V5/DJ2HD. QSLs go via their home calls.

For those wishing to top up their logs with more Eastern Kiribati contacts following on from the very successful T32C expedition last year - which included our own intrepid DXpeditioners Paul EI5DI and Dave EI9FBB - look out for another group who will be active later this month. Six operators from USA/Canada will be active from 17 January until 2 February. Callsigns to look for are T32AU, T32CO, T32LJ, T32TR, T32TX, T32WW and in the CQ WW 160m Contest they will use T32XX.

Mike VE2XB will be QRV from the island of Dominica in the Caribbean from now until the end of January. As with previous visits there he will use the callsign J79XB.

The Pacific island of Tuvalu will be activated by two Hungarian operators, HA5AO and HA5UK, from 12 - 26 January. The call to be used is T2HA.

Prefix hunters will be interested to know that Croatia is marking the 20th Anniversary of the allocation of the 9A prefix. Operators there are permitted to insert the figures '20' into their callsigns. For example 9A2AA will become 9A202AA and 9A1MM will become 9A201MM. These prefixes are available throughout 2012.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

19. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1044

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-08 21:14:20 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <3149.72870.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3836
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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BID: $OPDX.1044
January 9, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, K3LP, N3SL, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, W4VQ, KH6BZF, K7BV, AA8LL, K8BL, K8CX, K8GI, K8YSE, KG8CO, KG8P, W8GEX (60m News), W9OL, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, GM3WOJ, HB9BCK, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE2XB and VHF-DX-Portal for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-January, through Sunday, 8th-January there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2011 DX SOUND BITES! Tom, K8CX, has done it again. He has provided DXers with 130 memorable DX sound clips from 2011. Visit Tom's famous "HAM GALLERY" Web at: http://hamgallery.com/dx2011
While there also check out some of his other features on his Web page,

such as: 14 years of "Rare DX Sound Clips" of the past (as well as some clips from the 1960's and 1970's), QSL Card Museum, Dayton Photo Galleries and Tribute to Silent Key Ham Operators. Tom states, "If anyone has any old HF recordings, I would be interested in hearing from them."

60 METER (NEW) WEB SITE. Joe, W8GEX, (from 60m News) informs: "I just want to let you know that our old Web site shut down on Dec. 31st. We want to thank Tom, K4MM, for his help on the former site for so many years. It was a challenge and he did a fine job. With the help of K3ZXL, K5YY and myself, we have a new 60m Web site at: http://60metersonline.net Here you will find a collection of information about current events and upcoming DXpeditions, plus more. The new site is hosted by Dan Schaaf, K3ZXL of Punta Gorda, Florida. Dan has been on 60 meters since 2003 when we were given the new band. An avid DXer, you can find Dan in the pileup on any band, and any mode. Dan will bring his DXing experience and enthusiasm to the new Web site. Dan already has the new site activated, and it is still a work in progress. While he updates info from the former site, he invites news from all of you. This is our forum to keep everyone interested in 60m up-to-date on the activities, and the when and where to look for DX. So if you have anything to report, please forward it to Dan, K3ZXL at: dan-schaaf@att.net -- We certainly thank Dan for accepting the challenge of keeping all of us happy DXers!"

8P, BARBADOS. Operators Mike/W1USN and Bob/AA1M will be active as 8P9CI and 8P9CK, respectively from Barbados (NA-021) between February 23rd and March 8th. Activity will be on CW, SSB and PSK31. There will be uploads daily to LoTW for 8P9CI. QSL 8P9CK via AA1M, by the Bureau or direct.

9M0, SPRATLY. Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) and the 9M4SDX Team will be active as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Layang Island (Swallow Reefs - AS-051) near Sabah, East Malaysia, during the first two weeks of April 2012. Tentative dates are between April 5-17th, with operations divided between 3 teams of operators:
Team A: April 5-17th Team B: April 5-11th Team C: April 10-17th
The current team consists of Tex-san/9M2TO (Project Coordinator), Neoh/ 9M2CLN (Team Leader Malaysia), Tack-san/JE1CKA (Team Leader Japan), Legend/9W2SWC (Web Master), Chuan/9W2AVI (T-Shirt Designer) and the logistics are by Bluemarlin Ventures. More details will be forthcoming. A Web page is up but still under constructions at:
http://9m0l.legendchew.com

9N, NEPAL. Toshi, JA8BMK, will be active as 9N7FOX from Nepal between February 29th and March 9th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JA8UWT, direct or by the Bureau.

9Q, DEM. REP. OF CONGO. A couple of sources are reporting that Sergiy, UV5EVJ (ex-5X1VJ), will be active from the Province of Katanga between January 12th and May 9th. He is there as part of a UN peace-keeping mission (MONUSCO). Sergiy is currently waiting for a callsign. Activity will be limited due to his work duties, but look for him on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

ARRL DXCC DIAMOND AWARD (Update to OPDX.1043). During the year 2012, the ARRL's DXCC Award program will be celebrating their 75th anniversary with the "Diamond DXCC Challenge". For complete details and picture of the award, go to: http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-diamond-dxcc-challenge
ADDED NOTE: It is "highly recommended" to watch for updates to the award's Entities List at:
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Diamond%20DXCC/DXCC75_Entity%20List%20TABLE_1_3x.pdf
In fact, there has been 8 changes from the original Entity List of 12/30/2011. The current date of the list is 1/3/2012.

DAYTON EVENT. The North Coast Contesters are proud to announce (edited): "The 20th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner (2012 Contest Dinner tickets are on sale now exclusively via our web site). Thanks to Scott, KA9FOX, and <QTH.com> for designing, building and running the Contest Dinner Web site at: http://contestdinner.com
Master of Ceremonies for the Dayton Contest Dinner is CQ Contest Hall of Fame member and World Wide Radio Foundation Chairman John Dorr, K1AR. The 2012 CQ Contest Hall of Fame Inductions will be formally announced by the CQ WorldWide Contest Director Bob Cox, K3EST. Our excellent keynote dinner speaker will be announced later.
The Contest Dinner will be held on Saturday night, May 19th, at 6:30 PM Cash bar opens at 5:30 PM. Located at the Crowne Plaza Hotel (Official Contester Hotel) 5th and Jefferson Streets (Next to the Convention Center) Dayton (Downtown), Ohio, in the VAN CLEVE BALLROOM. Seating is random. Tables are set in rounds of 10. You can purchase an entire table for your group (group tables are set for 8). Tickets are only available on: http://contestdinner.com
Many contest operators from around the world attend this event. If you enjoy radio contesting, you do not want to miss the Contest Dinner in Dayton, Ohio.
You are also invited to attend the Contest Super Suite in the Miami Ballroom which is open for FOUR nights during the Dayton weekend. See <http://contestsupersuite.com> for all of the nightly activities, sponsors and details.
We expect another sold out event for the Contest dinner. Get your tickets early! ....73! Tim, K3LR, (Dayton Contest Dinner Chairman - North Coast Contesters)"

DXCC SEES AN INCREASE IN APPLICATIONS. In this week's "ARRL Letter", they report that more amateurs are working DX, which means the ARRL's Membership and Volunteer Programs Department, especially the DXCC Desk and the ARRL Incoming and Outgoing QSL Bureaus, are working very hard in processing applications (for initial awards and endorsements) and sending out cards via the different QSL Bureaus. In 2010, the DXCC Desk processed 7134 applications for initial awards and endorsements; these 2010 applications included 853,462 QSOs. In 2011, the DXCC Desk processed 11,175 applications, containing 1,250,864 QSOs. "Comparing 2010 to 2011, this represents a 47 percent increase in the number of QSOs and a 57 percent increase in the number of applications," MVP Administrative Manager Sharon Taratula explained. To learn more about this increase, go to:
http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-sees-tremendous-increase-in-dxcc-applications

E51, NORTH COOK ISLANDS. Operators (and members of the 3D20CR) Jan/DJ8NK, Uwe/DJ9HX, Werner/DJ9KH, Hawa/DK9KX, Hans/DL6JGN, Ron/PA3EWP and Leszek/ SP3DOI will be active as E51M from Manihiki (OC-014) between March 27th and April 10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Flights are booked and paid for. All equipment, except the transceivers, are already on Manihiki. In all they have eleven vertical antennas and a small 4 element beam for 6m. They plan to set up 5 stations using K3's with 500W amplifiers. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or by the Bureau. Online QSL Requests Service (OQRS) for the Bureau and direct cards can be made after April 20th. The E51M Web page is available at:
http://www.manihiki2012.de/index.html

HK0NA DXPEDITION (Latest News Dated January 6th). From the HK0NA Web page: " 'The fantastic four' are working very hard and doing a great job on the Island! We are in daily contact with them. They are tired but in high spirits. Most of the camp infrastructure and antennas for Op.B (bajo) is now complete. Two antennas require further testing.
Today, they made the climb to the top of the mountain (300m), this will be the location for Op. A (alto). The purpose was to survey the antenna and operating locations. It is a fairly strenuous climb, and it took about 40 minutes to get to the top. Afterward, a decision was made to place the operating position and sleep tent at the very top of the mountain and schedule operators for 2 day shifts to minimize transit risks. Set up of the camp infrastructure and antennas at OP A will begin in a couple of days. We plan another press release prior to our departure to Bogota on Jan. 18th." For more details and updates, visit: http://hk0na.com
LATE ADDED NOTE: THE HK0NA team has asked two prominent DXers to act as pilots for the Malpelo 2012 Dxpedition. They are Dr. San Hutson, K5YY, and Col McGowan, MM0NDX.

IOTA NEWS.............
NA-076. Operators Wade/AA8LL and Roger/K0RMK will be active as home-call/4 from Cedar Keys (USI FL041S, GRID EL88, Levy County) between January 10-16th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY, and with 200w and wire antennas. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 28040, 24910, 21040, 18098, 14040, 10114 and 7030 kHz
SSB - 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 14260 and 7155 kHz
RTTY - 28082, 24925, 21079, 18102, 14079, 10139 and 7039 kHz
QSL both callsign via their home callsigns. Wade will upload the AA8LL/4 log via the LoTW, EQSL and ClubLog.

NA-240. NEW IOTA OP CANCELLED! Operators Yuri/N3QQ and Tim/NL8F have cancelled their DXpedition to the Bethel County IOTA Group, due to extreme cold conditions. Equipment and supplies are stored in Bethel and they plan to go back soon.

OC-233. Scott, VK7HVK, is once again active as VK7HVK/p from Bruny Island until January 12th. He states that this island is his holiday home which is 60 kilometers southeast of Hobart off the mainland, and he mainly operates portable DX mostly on the HF bands. See his set up on the island at:

http://www.qrz.com/db/vk7hvk

SA-018. Look for a DXpedition to Chiloe Island to take place this
April. The callsign is expected to be 3G7C. More details
should be forthcoming.

J7, DOMINICA (Reminder). Mike, VE2XB, is now active as J79XB from Dominica
(NA-101) as of January 5th (2012) for several weeks. Activity will be
holiday style on all bands 160-10 meters and possibly 6m if there are
openings. He states that he will be concentrating a bit more on 80/40/30
meters and of course the other bands including 17/12 meters as conditions
allow. QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com for address and details) with SASE and
CDN stamps or 2 IRCs or 2 greenbacks. The postal rates have gone up, so
take that into consideration before you send your QSL card. A Web page
is available at: http://j79xb.jimdo.com

KG4, GUANTANAMO Bay. Look for the following operators to be active from
Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) during the mopnths of February and March:
February 4-18th - Ed/KN4KL (KG4KL); activity on SSTV, RTTY, SSB, PSK
and possibly CW.
February 6-14th - Gary/WB4DNL (KG4DL); activity will be mostly on CW.
February 6-23rd - Bill/W4WV (KG4WV); activity on SSB, PSK, RTTY and
possibly CW.
February 18-25th - Tip/N4SIA (KG4AS); activity on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK.
February 25th-March 3rd - Emmett/KD4OS (KG4OS); activity on CW and SSB.
February 25th-March 10th - Stu/K4MIL (KG4SS); activity on CW, SSB and
RTTY.
QSL all callsigns via their home callsigns.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Albert, HB9BCK, will be active as KH0/HB9BCK from
the Mariana Island between January 22-28th. Activity will be on 80-10
meters including 30/17/12m using CW, SSB and possibly PSK/RTTY. He will
use 500 watts into a beam and vertical antennas. QSL via HB9BCK, by the
Bureau or direct to: Albert Z�hner, Sonnenstrasse 3, CH8575 B�rglen/TG,
Switzerland (w/2 USDs).

KH6, HAWAII. Before his April trip to Tonga (see OPDX.1036), Haru, JA1XGI,
will be active as W8XGI/KH6 from Hawaii between January 31st and February
4th. Activity will probably be on 20-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m)
using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI,
direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 9-15th)....
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Jan/10th AN Jan/13th AN Jan/15th AN
Jan/11th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7

HN - High Normal Unsettled K? 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K? 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K? 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K? 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K?9 100-400

MIDDLE EAST TRIP. Don, N1DG, will once again returns to the Middle East on Monday, January 9th. Activity will limited because this is a business trip. First trip will be to Qatar, and his hotel is one block from the Qatari Amateur Radio Society (QARS). Don hopes to be on air as A71A during his evening hours. On Friday, January 13th, Don will returns to Dubai, U.A.E., where he will activate A61AD for 3 days. QSL via his home callsign.

NCDXA AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS (2011 DXpedition and DXer of the Year). David, K3LP, NCDXA President, is pleased to announce the following 2011 National Capitol DX Association's awards:
1) Dr. Hrane Milosevic, YT1AD - DXpedition of the Year Award 2011; "Leadership & Youth Development" -- For Excellence in DXpedition Leadership, Team Work and Operational Effectiveness: 3D2R- Rotuma Island ? October 2011; Outstanding DXpedition Operation and Amateur Radio Youth Development Program with Rotuma High School.
See: http://www.k3lp.com/3d2r_2011.htm
2) Sid May, ET3SID - DXer of the Year 2011 -- Recognized for individual effectiveness, abilities and contributions to the DX Community; Exceeding expectations as Mentor and providing effective Youth Development Leadership at ET3AA.
See: http://www.k3lp.com/et3aa_december_2011.htm

NCDXA DXCC-EAST CONVENTION 2012. The National Capitol DX Association's (NCDXA) has announced their new "DXCC-EAST Convention" for Saturday, August 25th, 2012. It is their goal to make this an annual event there on the east coast of the United States. The DXCC-EAST Convention will include presentations by well known DXers and principles that are knowledgeable of the DX community including participation by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL). For complete details, visit: http://www.dxcceast.com

NH7, HAWAII. Operators "Yukon John"/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY will once again be active from Hawaii, but this time from the Big Island (OC-019, HI-025S) late March to mid-April and using the callsign NH7DX. QSL via KL7JR (QRZ.com address).

PJ4, BONAIRE (Press Release). The French F6KOP Team sent out the following press release on January 4th (PJ4C 2012 - Official Bulletin No. 3) [edited]: "All of the team wishes you a Happy New Year 2012. We are now a few days from departure and all of the team is very enthusiastic. In mid-December, around 600Kg of equipment has left Europe to Bonaire. Peter, PJ4NX, will take care of it until our arrival. Jeff, F6AOJ, has repaired the equipment that was damaged in TJ9PF last year. Mat, F5PED, has prepared the 30m 4sq, and Yann, F1NGP, has configured all the computer networking. Thanks to all, the F6KOP team has everything prepared and packed on time. Eric/ON7RN and

Peter/PJ4NX have organized everything with the shipper. We will use the
following equipment:
5x FT 450 1x 5ELEMENT 50 MHz I0JXX
1x ICOM IC7200 & 7000 1x VERTICAL 20m
1x K3 1x FOUR SQUARE 30m
6x ACOM 1010 1x FOUR SQUARE 40m
1x 50 MHz PA 2x VERTICALS 80 (CW and SSB)
4x SPIDERBEAM 5 BANDS 1x VERTICAL 40m
1x SPIDER 3 BANDS 1x L 160m
1x SPIDERBEAM WARC BEVERAGES
We have also in-band filters for 80 and 75m for simultaneous operations.
Jean Paul, F8BJI, made the operating schedules. The 7th station will be
used on 6m (sometimes as a beacon on 50.104 MHz, please let us know if
there are any openings). Team leaders are Frank/F4AJQ (leader), Alain/F6ENO
(co-leader), Yann/F1NGP (SSB leader), Jean Paul/F8BJI (Digi-leader) and
Bernard/F9IE (CW leader). Sebastien/F5UFX will be our pilot and Webmaster.
Maurice/F5NQL will be in charge of communication and Bernard/F9IE is our
QSL manager. Logs will be uploaded as frequently as possible. Departure
is scheduled from Paris, January 12th, morning, and arrival in Bonaire late
in the evening. We would like to thank our sponsors for their help. Of
course you could help us to cover the expense for shipping all equipment,
even small contributions are very appreciated, you could use paypal on
our Web site or send an email to: f6eno@wanadoo.fr
See you in the pile-up..... Best 73's from all the team." The team will
be active until January 23rd. The complete list of operators are Franck/
F4AJQ, Peter/PJ4NX, Gabriele/I2VGW, Nobert/DJ7JC, Heye/DJ9RR, Hans/DL1YFF,
Guenther/OE3GCU, Karl/OE3JAG, Eric/ON7RN, Henri/F1HRE, Yann/F1NGP, Jimmy/
F4DLM, Michel/F5EOT, Jean/F5NKX, John/F5VHQ, Jean-Luc/F6BIV, Alain/F6ENO,
Joel/F6JMT, Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Bernard/F9IE, Rein/PA0R, Kenneth/OZ1IKY,
Gerard/F2VX, Francis/F5QF and Tony/F8ATS. More details and updates can
be found at: http://www.pj4c.com
ADDED NOTE: Norbert, DJ7JC, plans to continue the activity from Bonaire
following his participation with the PJ4C operation. Look for him to
sign PJ4M between January 23-30th. QSL via DJ7JC.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 8th)

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1B1AB via N7RO 9A207WA via 9A7WA LZ1818MOG via
LZ1KCP
3B8/HB9ARY via HB9ARY 9A208DX via 9A3JB MW/R6AF via R6AF
4K0BO via DL4WK 9A208D via 9A1CRD N5M via K5PVR
4K6/JR0HYT via JR0HYT 9J2BO via G3TEV ON65BR via ON6BR
5B4AIZ via G3SWH BV20HQ via BM2JCC ON800TUR via ON1CB
9A201MB via 9A1MB DL0JRT via DL8MCP OX3XR via OZ3PZ
9A201R via 9A1R DL150BH via DJ5KX P49X via W0YK
9A202KD via 9A2KD DM50KSJ via DL2VM PJ2/W6XK via NN6NN
9A202MF via 9A2MF DM100MGY via DM8AE (Bureau only) R10DDX via R2DX
9A202NA via 9A2NA E74WN via EA5KB SN20WOSP via SQ8JCB

9A202N via 9A2N EG2DSF via EA2DGP SX1912 via SZ2RCP
9A203BIM via 9A3BIM EG7LBI via EA1AYG T8OG via JL3TOG
9A203GI via 9A3GI EI80IRTS via EI4GXB TM10E via F5KTU
9A203SM via 9A3SM EW8ADX via EW8A TY2SI via JA1PBV
9A204BA via 9A4BA FM1II via NI5DX (direct) UR5IFX via N4TV
9A204M via 9A4M HA100CGCDH via HA0MO UT/EI6KC via US6IKN
9A204WW via 9A4WW HC2/AL1O via DH1TW UT5KDS via IK2DUW
9A204W via 9A4W HF0WOSP via SP2KFL V5/DK1CE via DH3WO
9A205CW via 9A5CW HK7/WH6R via WH6R VP8DMH via M0PRL
9A206M via 9A6M II6LN via IQ6LN XT2RJA via K3QF
9A206W via 9A6W KH0K via JE4SMQ XU7AEP via UA9YPS
9A207AAA via 9A5K KH0UY via JO3FRH YA/IK5ZVE via
IK5ZVE
9A207SSY via 9A7SSY LX75RL via LX2A ZP5/DL1BI via DL1BI

E44PM LOTW. Peri, HB9IQB, reports on January 3rd: "I've uploaded the E44PM log onto LoTW today. The file has been processed within a few minutes and 2279 of the 7415 Qs showed an immediate match."

IRCS AVAILABLE. Steve, N3SL, has a cache of current IRCs (over 200) for sale. The price is 1.75 USDs each, postage paid (to US stations). Please E-mail to arrange purchases at: n3sl<at>arrl.net.

JW8AJA QSL REQUESTS. QSL Manager Trond, LA9VDA, reports on <QRZ.com> [edited]: "QSL cards can be requested via E-mail to la9vda (at) gmail.com. For a direct QSL, please add 3 USDs or 1 new and stamped IRC and SAE. Cards without this will be sent through the bureau. Postage is now 15,- Nkr. One U.S. dollar is worth little over one Norway dollar. This is after the bank has taken their fee and stuff..... two USDs does not cover to buy a stamp for overseas mail. For many years I have sponsored the DX world, but I can't do this any more."

PV0F BROKEN CALLSIGN IN NOVEMBER 2011. Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV, reports: "I have received a number of QSLs for a PV0F operation during November, 2011. I am certain there was no operation using that call at that time; however I note that P40F was extremely active by R5GA for the CQ WW contest. I will gather November 2011 PV0F cards sent to me for a awhile and then send them off to R5GA assuming the senders miscopied his P40F callsign."

TIME TO UPDATE YOUR GS-IRC CHART. Bill, W9OL, states that this is the 14th year for his GS/IRC Chart and it's time to update the information/ data again. (US Postage rates increase effective January 22, 2012)
The current chart (recently updated), resides at:
http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.htm
If you wish to download the whole file, go to:
http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.xls

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9V1YC, C6ANM, E44PM, F6BWJ, FY5KE, GI0KVQ, HA3NU, HG6N, I2EAY, KH6ZM, KH7Y, MU/DL3OCH, SM7EHU, ST0R, TM9R, V25RV, VE3EJ, VE3JM, VP2V/K6TOP and Z30M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3A2LF, 5T0JL, 6W/AA1AC, 9H9OB, A52ATV, BY1RX/4, C21UF, CE0Y/LA5UF, EL2A, EL2DT, HP1WW, HR9/AI5P, HZ1FS, HZ1MD/p, JW8AJA, MU/PA9M, OJ0X, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4J, RI1FJA, ST0R, SU/HA3JB, TU2T, UJ8JMM, V55A, VK2IR, VK7ZX, VK9CX, VR2UW, XR0ZA, XU7MDY, XV2RZ and ZK2V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

T32, EASTERN KIRIBATI (Update to OPDX.1037). Six operators from the U.S. and Canada will be active from Kiritimati Island (OC-024) between January 17th and February 2nd. The Dxpedition now has a Web page at: http://www.t32kiritimati2012.com

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS. Zorro, JH1AJT, will be visiting and operating as VP8DNT from the QTH of Bob/VP8LP on the Falkland Islands between January 21-28th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters. QSL via JH1AJT.

VU17, INDIA (Special Event). Members of the Indian Institute of Hams (VU2IIH) of Bangalore and the Mangalore Amateur Radio Club (VU2RDO) will activate special event radio station VU17NYF between January 12-16th, during 17th National Youth Festival. Activity will be on the HF and VHF bands. QSL via direct (w/3 IRCs - see address on QRZ.com) or by the Bureau. Details of the event are on: http://www.nyf2012.in/nyf

XU7, CAMBODIA (Update/Change). Operators Alex/UA9YAB and Alex/UA9YPS were active as XU7AEQ and XU7AEP (not XU7YAB and XU7YPS as first mentioned), respectively, this past week. QSL XU7AEQ via his home callsign direct or LoTW. QSL XU7AEP via his home callsign direct.

XT, BURKINA FASO. Jon, K3QF, is now active as XT2RJA from Ouagadougou until January 18th. He has already been active on 20m CW, but hopes to be other bands too. There is no room for a 160m antenna. QSL via K3QF.

XV2, VIETNAM. Take, JA6CNH, will be active as XV2CNH from Ho Chi Minh City between February 10-15th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA6CNH direct only.

XW, LAOS. Bruce, 3W3B/HS0ZCY/XU7ADF/XW1B/AA4XR, has renewed his Laos license, but was issued a new callsign XW4XR. Bruce is expected to be active again from Vientiane next month sometime, especially during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. ONLY QSL via E21EIC.

XW, LAOS. Larry, 3W3X/HS0ZJZ/KJ4ZRO/XW1A, has renewed his Laos license, but was issued a new callsign XW0ZJR. Larry is expected to be active again from Vientiane next month sometime, especially during the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest (February 11-12th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. ONLY QSL via E21EIC.

YX6, VENEZUELA (Op Cancelled!). Members of the Radio Club of Venezuela planned to be active as YX6AJ from Angel Falls waterfall (the world's tallest - 979m) this past week, but the operation was cancelled until further notice due to transportation problems.

ZK2V 2011 DXPEDITION WRAP-UP. Chris, GM3WOJ/ZK2V, informs OPDX: "The ZK2V 2011 DXpedition finished on 19th December - a total of 47999 QSOs were made by ZK2X and ZK2V over 8 weeks. I've posted a brief write-up on our Web site <www.zk2v.com> - all QSOs have been uploaded to LoTW and our QSL Manager Steve, N3SL, is handling all direct and bureau QSL cards. Thanks to everyone who worked and supported ZK2V."

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS. David, VO1AU, a member of the upcoming Kiritimati, Eastern Kiribati, DXpedition (see OPDX1037), will be active as ZL7/VO1AU from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) between March 8-13th. Activity will be on CW and SSB, but he will also participate in the Commonwealth Contest [BERU] (March 10-11th). QSL via VO1MX.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>

Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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20. Re: Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1795 - January 6 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-09 11:46:29 UTC
From: nospam@w6yx.stanford.edu
Message-ID: <jee741fsf1@usenet.stanford.edu>
Source record: 3837
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In article <20120106100004.61E5D33C94@panix2.panix.com> William M. Pasternak <newsline@ix.netcom.com> writes:
>Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1795 - January 6 2012

>TIME TRAVEL: SAMOA AND TOKELAU JUMP INTERNATIONAL DATELINE
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>The tiny South Pacific nation of Samoa and its neighbor Tokelau have
>jumped forward in time crossing westward over the International Date
>Line. This, to align themselves with their other 21st century trading
>partners throughout the region.
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>At the stroke of midnight on December 29th time in Samoa and Tokelau
>leapt forward to December 31st which was New Year's Eve. For Samoa's
>186,000 citizens, and the 1,500 in Tokelau, Friday December 30, 2011
>simply ceased to exist.
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>Of coarse this does complicate the QSL'ing process for ham radio
>contacts made with either of these entities on the dates that were
>simply cast away. It will be interesting to see how the DXCC and
>pother awards operations handle this situation. (Media Network)

Except, of course, that one either logged the contact in UTC, or can convert the time of the contact at each end to UTC, to confirm the contact was logged at the same time at each end.

While the *local* time may show a discontinuity/gap, UTC plugs on unchanged through the event. There was no time that didn't exist. Thus, there is no issue with contacts on dates cast away.

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Looked at a different way, December 30 didn't exist in those places. Thus, nobody there could have made a contact on that day, so (again) no problem could occur.

Alan
wa6azp

21. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 8th January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-09 12:00:19 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120109120003.8DED233C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3838
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 8th January 2012

The news headlines:

* Happy New Year

* ARISSat-1 falls to Earth

* Prestigious award for IOTA heads

The news team and all the staff at RSGB HQ would like to wish our newsreaders, listeners and online readers a very Happy New Year. We would like to remind listeners that some of the arrangements for GB2RS have changed. Now that postal copies are no longer being sent, the deadline has been changed to 10am on Thursday morning. The GB2RS Script will now be uploaded to the Members Only area of the RSGB website on Friday afternoons, and placed in the public area on Mondays. These changes mean that GB2RS will be able to being you much fresher news than ever before.

According to the AMSAT website, ARISSat-1 stopped transmitting shortly after 0600UTC on Wednesday 4 January. It is believed that the satellite re-entered the atmosphere and burned up at around 0700 over the South Atlantic. Full details are at www.arissat1.org.

Roger Ballister, G3KMA and Martin Atherton, G3ZAY are recipients of the Yasme Excellence Award for 2011. This award is for their dedicated work for the Islands on the Air programme. The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to amateur radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of amateur radio in underdeveloped countries. Everyone at the RSGB would like to congratulate both Roger and Martin on this well deserved award.

Two UK amateurs have reported hearing strong echoes on their 80m CW signals in the evening last week. Tony, G3ZRJ in Herefordshire and Andrew, GW3OQK in Swansea were in QSO on 1 January when they could hear another signal underneath theirs. It turned out to be an echo of their own signals. Tony said the echoes were initially so strong that he had trouble monitoring his CW keying. The delay in the echoes was of the order of 0.25 to 0.5 seconds and the echo strength hit S9. Tests by Andrew on the evening of 3 January revealed the same phenomena at around 2100Z, albeit weaker. Steve, G0KYA, chairman of the RSGB's Propagation Studies Committee, said that these were unlikely to be

round-the-world echoes, but could be due to a form of magnetospheric ducting where signals follow the earth's magnetic field lines down to the southern hemisphere before being bounced back along the same duct. Steve said that this was quite rare and not really understood. UK amateurs are being urged to look out for any echoes on their 80m signals and report any findings to G0KYA@QSL.NET.

An agreement has now been reached with ISIS Launch Services BV, who are based in Delft in the Netherlands, for them to provide a launch of the FUNcube-1 CubeSat. It is anticipated that FUNcube-1 will be launched with a number of other spacecraft from a DNEPR rocket, sometime in the third quarter of 2012. The orbit is still to be defined precisely but it is expected to be nearly circular and approximately sun synchronous. The FUNcube-1 spacecraft will transmit signals that can be easily received directly by schools and colleges for educational outreach purposes. In addition to providing educational outreach for schools and colleges around the world, the spacecraft will also provide a U/V linear transponder for radio amateurs during local night, at weekends and during holiday periods. The production and testing of the spacecraft itself has already been funded via a legacy and other sources. For more information, check out www.funcube.org.uk.

Dutch amateurs have been granted access to two new bands. They now have 501kHz to 505kHz on a secondary basis with power and mode restrictions, plus 70 to 70.5MHz, also on a secondary basis with power restrictions.

Denmark has the Presidency of European Union from 1 January to 30 June 2012 and the callsign 5P12EU will be activated during this period. QSL cards will be available and there is an award scheme for working or hearing this callsign. For all details on QSLing, the award scheme and logs, check out www.5p12eu.dk.

Using the new OPERA datamode, Gary, G4WGT successfully transmitted a signal to Joe, VO1NA on 137.5kHz, a distance of 3,500km. Gary transmitted six full callsigns in a two hour period, which is a big time saving over modes like QRSS. The OPERA mode was envisaged by Graham, G0NBD and coded by Jose Ros, EA5HVK, as a way of providing data operations for stations who only had the CW capability. The most up to date information on this mode can be found at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/O_P_E_R_A_/.

The Winter edition of the 5MHz Newsletter has just been published and includes news and features about 5MHz, including a chart of the current 5MHz allocations worldwide. You can freely access this latest edition of the 5MHz Newsletter from Google Documents at http://tinyurl.com/72mozfx. Although originating in the UK, the 5MHz Newsletter invites worldwide interest, both in readers and contributors. For those without internet access who want a paper copy, send a self-addressed envelope big enough to take folded A4 sheets, together with adequate postage, or IRCs in the case of outside of the UK. Requests should be addressed to the Editor, G4MWO, who is QTHR in the UK Callbook and on QRZ.com

The International Museums Weekend special event will this year take place on the double weekends of 16 & 17 and 23 & 24 June. Radio amateurs are encouraged to participate in this event by setting up stations in their local museums. Organiser Harry, M1BYT asks that all those intending to take part in the event should register their museum via the from on the International Museums Weekend website, www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw. He can be contacted via e-mail to harry.m1byt@tiscali.co.uk, or on 075111 28933.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Red Rose Winter Rally will take place on 15 January at George H Carnall Leisure Centre, Kingsway Park, M41 7FJ. The venue is easily accessible from Junction 9 of the M60, opposite the Trafford Centre. Doors open at 11am. There is free car parking, traders, a Bring & Buy, special interest groups and an RSGB bookstall. Details from Steve, on 07502 295 141.

Also on 15 January the Dover Amateur Radio Club Rally will take place at Whitfield Village Hall, Dover CT16 3LY. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Now for the news of special events

Orkney Amateur Radio Club is supporting the SOS fundraising week from 21 to 29 January. There will be a special event station at or near each of the Islands' three lifeboat stations. GB1OL will be in Stromness; GB2OL will in Longhope, based at the old lifeboat station; and GB4OL will be at Kirkwall Bay. QSLs should be sent direct with the information on the website. http://eu009.webplus.net/gb1ol.html. The stations will be active on most bands, mainly at the weekends, and will concentrate on 80, 40 and 20m.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

PA8A will be active as PJ4B from the island of Bonaire. Listen out for him between 8 and 22 January. His operation will be holiday style on the high frequency bands only. QSL direct only via PA8A.

VE2XB will be active as J79XB from Dominica for several weeks. His operation will be holiday style on all bands from 10 to 160m and possibly 6 meters if there are openings. QSL via VE2XB as listed on QRZ.com.

On 12 January the VP6T team will start the journey to French Polynesia, with the first stop in Tahiti, which is IOTA OC-046, for 3 days. They will then take a small airplane to Mangareva Island, OC-063. They plan to be active from Tahiti and, if time permits, also from Mangareva as TX6T. QSL via G3TXF.

Now the contest news

This weekend the ARRL RTTY Roundup will be making the datamode portions of the HF bands busy. Activity is on all datamodes. Check out the ARRL website for full rules.

10 January sees the 430MHz UK Activity Contest take place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Sunday 15th the Super League series continues with 80m CW Affiliated Societies Contests takes place from 1400 to 1800UTC. Using CW only the exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now for the solar factual data for the period from Friday 30 December to Thursday 5 January, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS, on the 6th January.

The solar disc had numerous sunspot groups visible every day. Most were stable and quiet but a couple of groups produced small C class solar flares every day except for the two days when none took place. These flares had very little effect on propagation. Solar flux levels declined from 141 units on the 30th to 130 by the 1st but then recovered to 136 by the 4th. The average was 135. The 90 day solar flux average on the 5th was 144, that's two units down since the last report. X-ray flux levels declined slightly from B5.6 units on the 30th to B3.9 by the 4th. The average was B4.3 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet with the Ap index in single figures every day. The average was Ap 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 310 and 430 kilometres per second. Particle densities on some days were moderate, with levels of 20 particles per cubic centimetre on the 30th and 3rd. Bz varied between minus and plus 9 nanoTeslas on the 30th and the 2nd and less than that on the quieter days.

And finally, the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity should be mostly at low levels, with C class solar flares taking place on most days. Solar flux levels should be around the 120s every day. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes are expected to be around 27MHz. Darkness hour lows should be around 8MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum useable frequency with a 50 percent success rate of around 29MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 percent success rate will be about 23MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1200 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 9 January Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk on SETI by Chris Martin, M6CJM. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 9 January South Birmingham Radio Society is planning rally visits for 2012. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 9 January Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is visiting Hack Green Nuclear Bunker with John, G8HJS. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 10 January Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 10 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G6COL on the air for the VHF/UHF/SHF Cumulative Club Contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 10 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on coaxial feed lines by Andrew, G7SEG.. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 10 January Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk on satellites. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 10 January Wythall Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 11 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding its AGM. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 11 January Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Thursday 12 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G80WL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 13 January Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having a VHF night. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 13 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual dinner. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 13 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Saturday 14 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and holding its Saturday surgery. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 15 January Leicester Radio Society is taking part in the AFS contest. Details from John, G0IJM, on 07939 121 132.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 9 January Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is enrolling students for the Advanced and Intermediate courses. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 9 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a QSL card competition. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 9 January Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society club is on the air. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 10 January Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343825.

On Tuesday 27 December Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822636.

On Tuesday 10 January Stockport Radio Society is having a presentation, Whiskey Galore Revisited, by Ray, M1REK and Andy, M1LOL. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 11 January Chorley & District Amateur Radio Society returns after the festive period. Details from Nessie, M0NES, by email to nessie68@hotmail.com.

On Wednesday 11 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC SSB contest and watching a DVD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 11 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Rediffusion days by Barry, M1CYJ. Details from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Wednesday 11 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest SSB from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday 12 January South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on mobile antenna installation by Brian, G4LUL. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 13 January East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 13 January Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is listening to Noises Off. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Sunday 15 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the AFS Contest CW. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Wednesday 11 January Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club commences its 12 week Intermediate course. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Sunday 8 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB Affiliated Societies 80m CW Contest. More

information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Tuesday 10 January Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 11 January Lothians Radio Society is having a video evening with Peter Dick, GM4DTH. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 12 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having Morse tuition with James Mackinnon, GM4EKC. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Friday 13 January Borders Amateur Radio Society is holding a discussion night. Details from MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

On Friday 13 January Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Saturday 14 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB Affiliated Societies 80m SSB Contest. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has announced that its January Foundation course was oversubscribed. A further course will be announced shortly. The club has run 43 courses since its first, in January 2002, and has trained over 300 people. For more information contact Clive, G1EUC, on 01245 224577. On Monday 9 January Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding its annual dinner at The Fox, Coulsdon Common. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 9 January East Kent Radio Society is having a gadget evening. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 9 January Southdown Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM at Chaseley. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 9 January Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, move-it-on, advice clinic and chin-wag led by John, G8MNY. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Monday 9 January Swale Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on railway communications by Phil, G0JBA. Non-club members are welcome. Detains form Phil, G0JBA, on 01233 330 127. On Monday 9 January West Kent Amateur Radio Society Club is planning activities for 2012. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 10 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 10 January Harwell Amateur Radio Society Radio is having a quiz and preparing for the rally. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524

844.

On Wednesday 11 January Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members forum and following up on the Foundation training course. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 11 January South Essex Amateur Radio Society is preparing for the Canvey radio rally. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday 11 January Southgate Amateur Radio Club is looking at EMC. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 11 January Southgate Amateur Radio Club David is having a talk on the rise and fall of radio paging by M0XDS. Contact Mr D F Berry, G4DFB, by email to dfberry@eggconnect.net.

On Thursday 12 January Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 12 January Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night, CW practice and Bring & Buy. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 12 January Edgware & District Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 12 January Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual dinner. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 12 January Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on police CCTV by Alison Wilkins, G8KSH. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 13 January Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having at talk on a homebrew Geiger counter by Mark, M1MPW. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 13 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a film night. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 13 January Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a roundup of members' Christmas activities by Eric, G0KRT. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Sunday 15 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having its New Year's carvery dinner. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 15 January Southdown Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the CW AFS contest. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST The Cornish Amateur Radio Club has launched a new club website at www.GX4CRC.com and can also be found on Facebook. More information from Steven, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Monday 9 January Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Tuesday 10 January Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the use of FM broadcast in disaster response by Mike Adams of The Far East Broadcasting Company. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 10 January Plymouth Radio Club is preparing for its AGM. Details from Chris, M0ZCP, on 07834 767 161.

On Wednesday 11 January Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 12 January South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on battery charging by Dave, G7BYN. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 12 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is watching the FSDXA 3B7C St Brandon Island DVD. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 12 January Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a photo quiz with M0WOB. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 13 January Torbay Amateur Radio Society is holding an operating night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Sunday 8 January Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Friday13 January Blackwood & District Amateur Radio Society is beginning its Advanced training course. Details are on the web at www.GW6GW.co.uk.

22. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-09 21:13:44 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <12d77b37-ff90-411a-8fb3-7299e4bde5b1@v14g2000yqh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3840
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

"%" <persent@gmail.com> writes:

248> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

248> nothing at all i just do it to add to my post count and piss you
off , win /
248> win ,
248> and staying young is always a good thing so childish let me be

What does your peculiar emotional need to piss anyone off have to do
with rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy, persent?

249> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

249> everybody go nuts

What does your recommendation have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy,
persent?

23. Re: shownatovah

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-09 21:14:57 UTC
From: "tholen@antispam.ham" <tholen@ifa.hawaii.edu>
Message-ID: <dfe32145-7ca4-423a-9523-e2859595c0c6@k8g2000yqk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3839
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

Zaia <snakesbloodpussycat@yahoo.com> writes:

1> Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy

1> to make someone go nuts it helps to go nuts at the same time.

What does your dubious observation have to do with
rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.slack,comp.os.os2.advocacy, Zaia?

24. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1044.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-09 23:08:34 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <600247.68942.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3841
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1044.1
January 9, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network, K8YSE, UT7FP and K4UEE for the following DX information.

9TH UK-DX-RTTY CONTEST 2012 (Press Release -[edited]).
"Dear Fellow Radio Amateurs,
The Scottish-Russian ARS and the European PSK Club have the honor to
invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the 9th
UK DX RTTY Contest 2012 (UK-DX-RTTY). The rules and other information
can be found on the Web site at: http://www.ukdx.srars.org
Starting time is at 1200z on Saturday, January 14th. Ending time is
at 1200z on Sunday, January 15th.
Cabrillo log format: http://ut7fp.kiev.ua/2010uk-dx-rtty/uk-dx-rtty-cabrillo.html
Please submit UK DX RTTY Contest logs via E-mail to: ukdxc@scotham.net
73! de Victor, UT7FP

UK DX RTTY Contest Committee: ukdxc@scotham.net
Contest Log Checker Software: http://www.contestlogchecker.com "

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND (FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE-Malpelo DXpedition 2012).
[dated Jan. 9th - edited] "The advance team to Malpelo, commonly referred
to as the 'Fantastic Four', are working very hard and doing a great job
on the Island, despite several days of heavy rain and wind. All of the
camp infrastructure and antennas for OP.B (bajo) is now complete and the
guys have tested all the antennas. They appear to be working as planned
with good signal reports from around the world, including Asia long path.
The next step in the project is to make safe the climb to the top of the
mountain where OP. A (alto) will be situated. Safety lines are being
installed along the most treacherous sections of the trail. Once in place,
construction will begin. There will be an operating tent with four radios
and 500 W amps and six antennas. There will also be a sleeping tent, as
the decision has been made to send crews to the top for 48 hour shifts.
This is to minimize the risks of transit up and down. Under the current
scheduling plan devised by W0GJ, each team member will serve on four 48
hour shifts during our stay on the island. Beginning at 0001 Zulu,

January 10, 2012, the advance team will begin using the HK0NA callsign. Please understand that their primary purpose on the island is to prepare everything for the team arriving in about 10-12 days. In their off time, they may be QRV.
Any contacts made with the men using their home calls should count as valid contacts with Malpelo and will be confirmed through the team's QSL Manager N2OO. Keep in mind their logs won't be sent to N2OO until after the DXpedition and those QSOs will not show in the HK0NA 'log lookup'.
The team has asked two experienced DXers to act as team 'Pilots'. San, K5YY, is chief pilot and all communications to the team will go through him. Col, MM0NDX, will act as the European Pilot. Please check the Web site for their 'guidelines.' And please, do not contact them prior to the beginning of the DXpedition which should be on the afternoon of January 21st if all goes well. We want to thank all of our sponsors for their generosity. This includes DX Foundations, DX Clubs and hundreds and hundreds of individual DXers who have contributed toward our expenses. Contributions can be made via our Web site at:
http://www.hk0na.com/sponsors
We plan periodic uploads of pictures and updates from the island. Watch the website for ongoing news.

Thanks,
Jorge Prieto, HK1R: DXpedition leader
Bob Allphin/K4UEE and Gregg Marco/W6IZT: Co-leaders"

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25. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 02 - 08 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-10 22:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120110223001.78C2333C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3842
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jan 10 1730 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
02 - 08 January 2012

Solar activity was low during most of the period with occasional
low-level C-class flares. A long-duration C2 x-ray event was
observed at 02/1524 UTC from just beyond the west limb. Associated
with this event was a greater than 10 MeV proton flux enhancement at
geosynchronous orbit (see below). Region 1390 (N08, L=122,
class/area Dao/210 on 06 January) produced a C1 x-ray event at
05/0722 UTC with an associated Type II radio signature (695 km/s
shock velocity). There were no Earth-directed CMEs observed during
the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit. However, a
greater than 10 MeV proton flux enhancement began late on 02 January
and ended late on 03 January (peak flux 1 pfu at 03/0550 UTC). The
enhancement was associated with the long-duration C2 x-ray event
mentioned above.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to unsettled levels during
the period. Brief minor storm periods occurred at high latitudes on
05 January associated with the onset of a coronal hole high-speed
stream (CH HSS).

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
11 January - 06 February 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels during the period
with a slight chance for isolated M-class flare activity.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal levels during the period with a chance for
moderate levels during 14 - 16 January and again on 30 January - 01
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February.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels during 10 January. An increase to quiet to unsettled levels is expected on 11 - 12 January and 16 January due to recurrent CH HSS effects. Quiet conditions are expected during 17 - 27 January. An increase to quiet to unsettled levels is expected on 28 - 29 January due to another CH HSS. Quiet levels are expected from 30 January - 06 February.

26. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-11 22:36:19 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201201112136.q0BLaqJa008718@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3843
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter 2012-01-11 at 21:16 UTC

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.2 - WEEK 02/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below the latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal "Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-01-11. We try to distribute our Newsletter once a week (thursday) from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary, we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look on "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are very welcome for any input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 *

The MMMonVHF VHF-DX-Portal is happy to invite all VHF enthusiasts and VHF-DX'ers to join the new survey to identify the "The Best VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2011". The aim of the survey is to thank the very hard efforts of those who organized and carried out so many nice expeditions and trips all around the world on the VHF bands in the past year 2011.
Participation period: 01. January to
31 December - Voting period: 01. January 2012 - 21. January 2012 :
Persons or Groups who organized and carried out some kind of exped.
in the 144 MHz band segment via Meteor Scatter or Earth-Moon-Earth propagation. Expeditions / Activities have had to be spread out on the VHF-DX-Portal Make More Miles on VHF in the year 2011 and must have found their way into the "REVIEW" section of MMMonVHF.
You will be able to vote by selecting a maximum of 5 expeditions all together in TWO categories (MS and EME) by ticking the box in front of the expeditions. The voting page will be available by direct link at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/voting.php from up 1st of January 2012 until 21st of January 2012. Results in February 2012.
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Hawai, KH6

Hawaii, KH6, qrv HF and 50 MHz

Before his April trip to Tonga (see OPDX.1036), Haru, JA1XGI, will be active as W8XGI/KH6 from Hawaii between January 31st and February 4th. Activity will probably be on 20-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1044

** PY1EME, GG76

Hello Mooners - I will be qrv during summer vacation, from now until the end of January 2012. Planned bands are 70cm (already qrv), 6cm (by the end of this month), 6m (starting next week) and 2m (occasionally) More info about 70cm, 6cm and 6m please take a look at PY1KK on qrz.com . For 2m please check PY1EME on qrz.com Please send an e-mail if interested on a try on any of these bands. Vy 73 de Bruce, PY2BS, PY1KK, PY1EME

SOURCE: tnx Lance, W7GJ, via Magic Band EME Group

** North Cook Island

North Cook Isl., E51. Operators (and members of the 3D20CR) Jan/DJ8NK, Uwe/DJ9HX, Werner/DJ9KH, Hawa/DK9KX, Hans/DL6JGN, Ron/PA3EWP and Leszek/SP3DOI will be active as E51M from Manihiki between March 27th and April 10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Flights are booked and paid for. All equipment, except the transceivers, are already on Manihiki. In all they have eleven vertical antennas and a small 4 element beam for 6m. They plan to set up 5 stations using K3's with 500W amplifiers. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or by the Bureau. Online QSL Requests Service (OQRS) for the Bureau and direct cards can be made after April 20th. The E51M Web page is available at: http://www.manihiki2012.de/index.html (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1044) 9 Jan. 2012 - 10 Apr. 2012

** E51EME - 6m dxpedition to the South Cook Islands, BG08

Just leaving for Rarotonga in the Cook Islands until late January. I'll be replacing the 5 element Yagi at E51CG's QTH with a 7 element Yagi and will be active on 6m with my IC706 and a HB 8877 PA ... mostly looking for Es and F2 propagation, but might appear on JT65a EME at my moonrise or moonset (both over water) during the low degredaation days.

SOURCE: tnx Bob ZL1RS/E51EME direct to MMMonVHF

** T32 W. kiribati

>From 17 January to 2 February 2012, a team of six operators will be active from Kiritimati [Christmas Island] (OC-024, WW Loc. BJ12HA) in Eastern Kiribati. Each team member will operate with their own callsigns, with activity on 160m to 6m CW and SSB. T32WW and T32CO will also operate both RTTY and PSK.
The group will put in a full Multi-Op effort for the CQWW 160m CW Contest (27-29 January)

as T32XX (QSL via KB8TXZ). The operators are as follows: Dave, VO1AU (T32AU - QSL via VO1MX); Brian, KG8CO (T32CO - QSL via KB8TXZ); Lee, N8LJ (T32LJ - QSL via K8ESQ); Ted, K8AQM (T32TR - QSL via KB8TXZ); Jim, KB8TXZ (T32TX - QSL via KB8TXZ); and Stan, AC8W (T32WW - QSL via KB8TXZ). The team will operate from the same location as the recent T32C DXpedition. Website: www.t32kiritimati2012.com/

SOURCE: dx-world.net via ICPO

** E2E EME-expedition to Thailand

I am happy to announce that there will be an EME-DXpedition in Thailand around 18th of April. A group of Expats (HS0ZFZ, HS0ZFD, HS0ZGQ and me HS0ZIL) are planning to activate some rare squares in northeastern Thailand daywise! The special callsign will be "E2E". The DXpedition will take place in order to assist the "Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST)", who had lost all their equipment at the Club Station HS0AC in BANGKOK during last flood. So any donations for this activity are welcome and will be transferred to RAST Treasurer. An own website and/or an DX-Blog on http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ will be setup in the near future. Stay tuned on these sites for further informations!!! Pictures of the destroyed Club Station can be seen here: http://www.qsl.net/rast/ 73 to all

SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

** Vietnam, XV2

Vietnam, XV2. Take, JA6CNH, will be active as XV2CNH from Ho Chi Minh City between February 10-15th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA6CNH direct only. (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1044) 9 Jan. 2012 - 15 Feb. 2012

** DXCC: FG ; Square: FK96 ; Start: 2011-12-28 ** USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4041

Again this year F1DUZ and F6APE will catch the moon from Guadeloupe Island as FG4KH (FK96HF) LATEST NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated
2012-01-05: From 01/01 to 04/01 5 new calls in the log for a total of 24 different. For tomorrow some activity in late afternoon and friday only in the evening 73 - NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated
2012-01-01: 22 QSOs in the log. The conditions will be not good in the next days but I will try to be QRV at moonrise exept if the degrad is too high. 73 all

SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ, direct to MMMonVHF

** PJ4C 2012 - Official Bulletin No 3 - QRV as well 50 MHz **

All the team wish you an happy New Year 2012. We are now a few days from departure and all the team is very enthusiastic. In mid-December around 600Kg of equipment has left Europe to Bonaire, Peter PJ4NX will take care of it until our arrival. Jeff F6AOJ has repaired equipment damaged in TJ9PF last year, Mat F5PED has prepared the 30m 4sq, and Yann F1NGP has configured all the computer network. Thanks to all the F6KOP team everything has been prepared and packed on time. Eric ON7RN and Peter PJ4NX have organized everything with the shipper. Read all in detail at: www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4092

SOURCE: Maurice, F5NQL, F6KOP member direct to MMMonVHF

We will use the following equipment:
5x FT 450, 1x Icom IC7200 & 7000, 1x K3, 6x Acom 1010, 1x 50 MHz PA
4x Spiderbeam 5 Bands, 1x Spider 3 Bands, 1x Spiderbeam WARC, 1x 5 element 50 MHz I0JXX, 1x VerticaL 20m, 1x Four square 30m, 1x Four square 40m, 2x Verticals 80 (CW and SSB), 1x Vertical 40m, 1x L 160m Beverages.
We have also in-band filters for 80 and 75m simultaneous operation. Jean Paul F8BJI made the operating schedules. The 7th station will be used on 6m (sometimes as a beacon on 50.104MHz, please let us know is there are any openings).
F4AJQ leader, F6ENO co leader, F1NGP leader SSB, F8BJI leader Digi, F9IE leader CW. F5UFX will be our pilot and webmaster. F5NQL will be in charge of communication. F9IE is our QSL manager.
Logs will be uploaded as frequently as possible. Departure is scheduled from Paris January 12, 2012 morning, arrival in Bonaire late in the evening.
We would like to thanks our sponsors for their help. Of course you could help us to cover the expense for shipping all equipment, even small contributions are very appreciated, you could use paypal on our web site or send an email to f6eno@wanadoo.fr See you in the pile-up. Best 73ï¿½s from all the team. www.PJ4C.com Forwarded with 73, by Maurice, F5NQL, F6KOP member https://twitter.com/f5nql 8 Jan. 2012 - 23 Jan. 2012

** V21FS and V21ZG, qrv from FK97CC on HF and 50 MHz **

Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG will once again be active as V21FS and V21ZG, respectively, from the Villa Sundowerns, near Pottery Village, island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118, WW Loc FK97CC) beginning 5th March 2012, for a few weeks. Focus on 16-6m if sunspots allow Mainly RTTY, PSK and SSB. V21ZG will look especially for JA and QRP stations. QSL via the German QSL-bureau DARC to DL7AFS, or direct. Website: www.qsl.net/dl7afs/
SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (30 Dec 2011 - 06 Jan 2012)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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27. [DXNL] DXNL 1762 (Jan 11, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-13 01:23:01 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <106620331078.20120113021747@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3844
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
Sergey,UV5EVJ (ex-5X1VJ), is working for the UN in a peacekeeping
mission (MONUSCO) in the province Katanga from Jan 12 until May 9.
He plans to work in CW and SSB on 80m-10m during his spare time.
His callsign is not known yet. QSL via homecall.

CE, CHILE
Luis,CE2/CX1EK, will be QRV again from Marbella mainly in CW on 12m
and 17m until April. QSLs for CE2/CX1EK unfortunately only direct to:
Luis Matho, 2303 Nordok Place, Alexandria, VA 22306, USA.

F, FRANCE
The Radioclub of Tulle celebrates the 10th anniversary of the intro-
duction of the Euro with the special callsign TM10E from Jan 7-21.
You can apply for a special award when you have worked stations from
all 17 Euro countries. See QRZ.com. QSL via F5KTU.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The special callsign GB80PW marks the 80th jubilee of the amateur radio
magazine "Practical Wireless". The editor Rob,G3XFD, will activate the
call in SSB/PSK31 mainly on 40m once a month throughout 2012, on the
publication day which is the 2nd thursday of the month.
QSL via G3XFD, unfortunately only direct.

HA, HUNGARY
The Greek catholic diocese Hajdudorog exists for 100 years now which
is marked by the special event station HA100CGCDH. QSL via HA0MO.
An interesting virtual tour of the cathedral can be found at:
http://www.digicart.hu/vs_photos/krpano/hajdudorog-tour.html

HK, COLOMBIA
Lothar,DK8LRF, will be QRV as HK3JCL in SSB/PSK31/RTTY/Pactor on 10-40m
from Colombia (FJ34fg) between Jan 16 and Mar 26. QSL via homecall.

JA, JAPAN
The special event stations 8N1JARL, 8N5JARL, 8N8JARL, 8N9JARL and
8N0JARL are active on the bands until Mar 31. The occasion is the
conversion of the JARL of an "Incorporated Association" into a
"General Incorporated Association" in the course of a reform.
QSL via bureau.

JD1/MT, MINAMI TORISHIMA, OC-073
Take,JG8NQJ, will be back on Minami Torishima (OC-073) for three months
starting on Jan 16. He will be QRV as JG8NQJ/JD1 in his spare time
mainly in CW and only some SSB. He will run only 50 watts to minimize
interferences with the sensitive equipment of the weather station.
QSL via homecall (bureau) or via JA8CJY (direct).
Logsearch at: http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

LZ, BULGARIA
The special event station LZ1818MOG remembers the Bulgarian martyr
and saint Onufrii Gabrovski until Jan 31. The station counts also for
the "All Bulgarian Saints 2012" award. QSL via bureau.
See also: http://www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Ed,W0YK, is QRV as P49X and plans also to take part in the upcoming
ARRL RTTY Roundup. QSL via homecall, LoTW. Info at: http://www.w0yk.com

PJ4, BONAIRE, SA-006
A large group with F4AJQ, PJ4NX, K4SV, I2VGW, N2WB, PA0R, DJ7JC, DJ9RR,
DL1YFF, OE3GCU, OE3JAG, ON7RN, F1HRE, F1NGP, F4DLM, F5EOT, F5VHQ, F2VX,
F6BIV, F6ENO, F6JMT, F8BJI, F9IE, OZ1IKY, F5QF and F8ATS will embark on
a major expedition to Bonaire (SA-006) from Jan 12-23. Their callsign
will be PJ4C and they want to make 80.000 QSOs in 11 days. Maybe they
will return with a new world record for RTTY. Operation will take place
also in SSB and CW with six stations all around the clock.
QSL via F9IE and LoTW. OQSL is possible via Clublog.
Check also their website at: http://www.pj4c.com

SP, POLAND
The big Christmas Charity exists for twenty years. The radio amateurs
are involved with several special stations active from Jan 2-15:
3Z0WOSP QSL via SP5ZRW
3Z20WOSP QSL via SP5YOW
HF0WOSP QSL via SP2KFL
HF5WOSP QSL via SP5PMD
SN0WOSP QSL via SP5KCR
SN20WOSP QSL via SP5KP

T32, EASTERN KIRIBATI, OC-024
A team of six plans to produce pile-ups from Kiritimati Island (OC-024,
Loc BJ12ha) in CW and SSB on 160m-6m from Jan 17 until Feb 2. T32WW and
T32CO will be QRV also in RTTY and PSK and T32XX will be used in the
CQWW 160m CW Contest. Their individual calls with QSL route are:
T32AU (OP VO1AU) QSL via VO1MX
T32CO (OP KG8CO) QSL via KB8TXZ

T32LJ (OP N8LJ) QSL via K8ESQ
T32TR (OP K8AQM) QSL via KB8TXZ
T32TX (OP KB8TXZ) QSL via KB8TXZ
T32WW (OP AC8W) QSL via KB8TXZ
T32XX (multi OP in the CQWW 160m CW), QSL via KB8TXZ.

T8, PALAU, OC-009
Mike,T88SM (JA6EGL), Yasu,T88CP (JA6UBY), Masa,T88BI (JH6KXG), and
Yu,T88HK (JE6DND), will be active from Palau (OC-009) in CW and SSB on
80m-10m from Jan 11-19. QSLs via homecalls, unfortunately only direct.

TX6, FRENCH POLYNESIA
Jacques,F6BEE, Gilles,VE2TZT, Michel,FM5CD, Vincent,F4BKV, and
Nigel,G3TXF, plan to activate also other islands before and after the
VP6T DXpedition to Pitcairn:
TX6T Tahiti Island (OC-046) Jan 14-16 and Feb 8-10
TX6T/p Mangareva Island (OC-063) Feb 6-7
The exact dates of these short activitities are depending on their trip
to and from Pitcairn. QSL via G3TXF.

UA, RUSSIA
The special event station R10DDX celebrates the 10th jubilee of UE3DDX
during the month of January. QSL via R2DX.

V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA ISLANDS, NA-100
V25RV is the callsign of Naoki,JN1RVS. He is working on HF from Antigua
and Barbuda. QSL unfortunately only direct or LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-023
Dave,GM0LVI, is spending his holiday on Cooper Island (NA-023) from
Jan 11-21. Listen for VP2V/GM0LVI in CW and SSB on 20m-6m using a
FT-817 with 5 watts, GP and dipoles. QSL via homecall.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISLAND, OC-044
The VP6T team travels to French Polynesia on Jan 12 and makes a stop
on Tahiti (OC-046) for three days. They will fly with a small plane to
Mangareva Island (OC-063) next. If they have sufficient time remaining
they plan to operate as TX6T (QSL via G3TXF) from Tahiti and Mangareva
as well. Another trip of three days later they want to produce large
pile-ups from Pitcairn (OC-044) starting on Jan 20. There will be three
stations active around the clock working in CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m-10m.
They extended their stay on Pitcairn for one week until Feb 4.
QSL via G3TXF, LoTW. More details can be found at: http://www.vp6t.org

VP8/A, ANTARCTICA, AN-016
Slava,UA1PAI, is active as RI1ANA on all bands from the Russian base
"Molodezhnaya" (AA UA-06, WAP RUS-08, WFF RFF-161) until mid March.
QSL via RK1PWA.

Bhagwati,VU3BPZ, will be QRV from the new Indian Bharti Base between
Jan 15 and March 2013. The Bharti Base is situated at 69 deg South and
77 deg East (WAP IND-new!, IOTA AN-016) in the Larsemann mountain range

on the Princess Christensen coats in Princess Elizabeth Land.
Bhagwati plans to put up his HF station after finishing his winter
duties and he is still waiting for a special callsign. QSL via I1HYW,
Gianni Varetto, Via Pancalieri 2, I-12030 Casalgrasso (CN), Italy.

VP8/F, FALKLAND ISLANDS, SA-002
Zorro,JH1AJT, plans to visit Bob,VP8LP, from Jan 21-28 and wants to
make a few QSOs as VP8DNT in holiday style on 80m-10m. QSL via JH1AJT.

VU, INDIA
Several members of the "Indian Institute of Hams" (VU2IIH) in Bangalore
and the "Mangalore Amateur Radio Club" (VU2RDO) will be QRV as VU17NYF
on all bands during the "17th National Youth Festival" from Jan 12-16.
QSL via bureau, 3 IRCs are needed for direct QSLs.
See also: http://www.nyf2012.in/nyf

XU, CAMBODIA
A Japanese group visits Sihanoukville from Jan 14-22. The OPs are
Masumi,JA3AVO (XU7AVO), Takeo,JA3BZO (XU7AEN), Tsuguya,JA3UJR (XU7UJR),
Kunio,JA1CJA/JH3LSS (XU7CJA), Shozo,JA3HJI (XU7HJI pending) and
Tatsuo,JA3ARJ (XU7ARJ pending). As last time they want to work again
in CW, SSB and digital modes on 160m-6m and maybe als via satellites.
QSLs via homecalls.

XV, VIETNAM
Takehara,JA6CNH, will be QRV again as XV2CNH or XV3CNH in CW/SSB/RTTY/
PSK/JT65 on 160m-6m from Jan 10-15. QSL via homecall.

YS, EL SALVADOR
Luca,IW2CXJ, is spending his holidays in El Salvador from Jan 11-24.
Listen for YS3/IW2CXJ in all modes on 40m-10m running 100 watts into
a Cushcraft R7. QSL via homecall, only direct, LOTW or eQSL.

YV, VENEZUELA
The Radio Club Venezolano - Casa Regional de los Valles del Tuy is
activating the special callsign YW6MOTO on 40m/20m/6m from a motor bike
expedition from Cua to Manaus on Jan 5/6 and again on Jan 11/12.
Participants are Mayka,YV5ALO, Luigi,YV5PI, Pedro,YV4BHH and Karl,YV5YA
QSL via bureau.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003
Sted,ZD8S, has been spotted again in SSB on 20m with his new antenna.
His equipment includes a TS-480 and a 20m vertical dipole. Sted plans
also other antenna projects. QSL unfortunately only direct.

WCA Happy Birthday
The Castles Award Program exists for three years now. HAMs worldwide
are activating castles on Jan 14-15, the WCA Happy BirthDay (WCA HBD).
See also: http://www.wcagroup.org

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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130 DX Sound Clips of the year 2011 can be downloaded from the website
of Tom,K8CX: http://hamgallery.com/dx2011

CQ 60 meters: http://60metersonline.net

Ricardo,CO/IZ1GDB, on Cuba: http://youtu.be/TMuBXAKXzm4
http://youtu.be/LJwRE1YO4BA

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-014, A4, Ash Sharqiyah/Al Wusta Region group: A41WW/p is working from
Masirah Island only in SSB on 80/40/20/17/15/10m until Jan 30.
QSL via EA5ZD.

NA-076, W4, Florida State Northwest Group: Wade,AA8LL/4, and Roger,K0RMK/4,
are spending their holidays on the Cedar Keys until January 16. Listen
for them in SSB, CW and RTTY on following frequencies:
SSB: 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 14260, 7155 kHz
CW: 28040, 24910, 21040, 18098, 14040, 10114, 7030 kHz
RTTY: 28082, 24925, 21079, 18102, 14079, 10139, 7039 kHz.
QSLs via homecalls (direct/bureau). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and
eQSL as well.

NA-143, TX State East group: The operation by K5KUA scheduled for January
has been postponed. The new dates are:
Apr 5-8 - NA-143 Galveston Island
Jul 27-30 - NA-143 Galveston Island (IOTA Contest)
Aug 31-Sep 3 - NA-143 Galveston Island

NA-240, Bethel County group (Alaska): Due to bad weather the DXpedition
to Pingurbek (K6VVA/KL7) has been postponed until Jun 28-30.
More details can be found at: http://www.twitter.com/k6vva

Lighthouse activities

PJ4C LH 1279 Jan 12&#65533;23
TX6T LH 0885 Jan 14&#65533;16

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
4O3A 1.834 0501Z via YU1FW (B)

80m
SV8GKE 3.510 1857Z via SV3DCX (B)

40m
SV5BYR/5 7.012 0543Z (d)
TP2CE/QRP 7.030 1121Z via F5LGF (B)

30m
A61Q 10.105 0923Z via EA7FTR
CT9/MJ0ASP 10.109 1940Z via MJ0ASP (B), (L)
EA8/DH2MS 10.107 1814Z via DH2MS (B)
EV1R 10.118 1207Z (L), (d)
SV5BYR/5 10.103 0607Z (d)
9A203SM 10.115 0923Z via 9A3SM (B)

20m
A6/VE6LB 14.018 0600Z via VE6LB (B), (L)
EN20UARL 14.039 1920Z via UT5UIA
LY2011XMAS 14.010 1708Z
R10DDX 14.012 0750Z via R2DX (B)
TO5G 14.260 0636Z SA-020, via F5KDR (B)
VQ9JC 14.030 1551Z via ND9M (B)
W4EON 14.342 1555Z SOTA W4/BR-015
3D2AG/p 14.022 0814Z (d) - Rotuma

17m
CT9/MJ0ASP 18.070 1207Z via MJ0ASP (B), (L)
FM/F6AUS 18.070 1042Z NA-107, via F6AUS (B)
N4CD/m 18.135 1532Z
TO5G 18.128 1806Z SA-020, via F5KDR (B)
V5/DK1CE 18.073 0851Z via DK1CE (d)

15m
CE2/VE7SV 21.011 1545Z via VE7WY (d)
OF150M 21.010 1300Z via OH8DR (L), (d)
OH9SCL 21.021 0955Z via OH9UV (B)
OX3XR 21.007 1320Z (B) oder OZ3PZ (d)
VU2XO 21.320 1317Z (B)
YV5DTJ 21.035 1520Z via YV5AJ (B)
7X4AN 21.305 1519Z (d)
9J2BO 21.030 0850Z via G3TEV (B)

12m
TJ3AY 24.980 1020Z via F5LGE (B)
V5/DH3WO 24.970 1235Z via DH3WO (B)

10m
RC2T/p 28.457 0937Z (B)
TO5G 28.460 1526Z SA-020, via F5KDR (B)
UA0WW 28.021 0959Z (B)
UN5J 28.021 1026Z via W3HNK (L), (d)
UN7JZ 28.017 0910Z (B), (L), eQSL
VR2UW 28.029 1002Z (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) LoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

09Dec-09Jan 3D2AG/p 1757
02Jan-15Jan 3Z0WOSP.. 1762 *
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
19Dec-04Jan 5V7MA 1758
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674
31Mar 8N1JARL.. 1762 *
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757
-Dec 9J2RI 1739/1742
31Dec-13Feb 9M2MRS 1760
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
28Dec-04Jan 9U3TMM 1760
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751
24Dec-07Jan 9X0PY 1759

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
20Dec-10Jan A6/VE6LB 1758
-16Jan AA8LL/4.. 1762 *
29Dec-06Jan AA4VK/CY0.. 1760
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762 *
-Mar CE9VPM 1752
28Dec-07Jan CT9/MJ0ASP 1760
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr? D2SG 1748
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1762 *
-Mar EA1CYK/p 1759
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756
-31Jan EM1000USK 1758

-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-10Jan FR/F6CAM 1757
-Jul FR8NE 1710
2012 GB80PW 1762 *
Unknown HA100CGCDH 1762 *
-09Jan HH2/HB9AMO 1756
2011 -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
16Jan-26Mar HK3JCL 1762 *
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
-2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb II0MZ 1755

-Apr J28FJ 1739
-2011/12 J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
30Dec-07Jan JD1BMH 1760
-15Apr JG8NQJ/JD1 1762 *
23Dec-05Jan JS6RRR.. 1759

01Jan-31Jan K3Y 1760
13Jan-16Jan K5KUA/5 1762 *
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Jan LZ1818MOG 1762 *
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1749
-Feb OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar P29FR 1742
Unknown P49X 1762 *
12Jan-23Jan PJ4C 1762 *
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753

-31Jan R10DDX 1762 *
-Mar RI1ANA 1762 *
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
17Jan-02Feb T32AU.. 1762 *
-Apr T6BP 1746
-Jun T6MO 1733
-08Jan T8CW.. 1760
30Dec-08Jan T88OW 1760
11Jan-19Jan T88SM.. 1762 *
Unknown TL8ES 1755
21Jan TM10E 1762 *
-Jul TN9SN 1755
02Jan-07Jan TO5G 1760
NOW TR0A/p 1760
03Jan-09Jan TY (JA1PBV) 1760

Unknown V25RV 1762 *
02Dec-16Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1756
21Dec-13Jan V5/DL1ZU 1759
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748
11Jan-21Jan VP2V/GM0LVI 1762 *
12Jan-04Feb VP6T.. 1762 *
-Feb VP8DMH 1757

21Jan-28Jan VP8DNT 1762 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
-Mar VU3BPZ.. 1762 *
12Jan-16Jan VU17NYF 1762 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
14Jan-22Jan XU7AVO.. 1762 *
10Jan-15Jan XV2CNH.. 1762 *
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
11Jan-24Jan YS3/IW2CXJ 1762 *
03Jan-06Jan YX6AJ 1760
-12Jan YW6MOTO 1762 *
Resident ZD8S 1762 *

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

A41WW/p via EA5ZD (B)
A45WW via EA5ZD (B)
AA8LL/4 via AA8LL (B), (L)
BV20HQ via BM2JCC
CE2/CX1EK via (d), Luis Matho, 2303 Nordok Place, Alexandria, VA 22306,USA
DM100MGY via DM8AE (B only)
DM50KSJ via DL2VM (B)
DQ125HSB via (B)
E74WN via EA5KB (B)
EG2DSF via EA2DGP (B)
EG7LBI via EA1AYG (B)
EI80IRTS via EI4GXB (B), (L)
EN70JFD via UU4JWC
EW8ADX via EW8A
FK/I2GPT via I2GPT (B)
FM1II via NI5DX (d)
GB80PW via G3XFD (d)
HA100CGCDH via HA0MO (B)
HC2/AL1O via DH1TW (B)
HF5WOSP via SP5PMD
HF0WOSP via SP2KFL
HK3JCL via DK8LRF (B)
HK7/WH6R via WH6R (d)
II6LN via IQ6LN (B)
JG8NQJ/JD1 via JG8NQJ (B), JA8CJY (d)
K0RMK/4 via K0RMK (B)
K5KUA/5 via K5KUA (B), (L)
LX75RL via LX2A (B)
LZ1818MOG via (B)
ON800TUR via ON1CB (B), (L)
P49X via W0YK (d), (L)
PJ4C via F9IE (B, auch OQRS), (L)
R10DDX via R2DX (B)

RI1ANA via RK1PWA (B)
SN20WOSP via SQ8JCB (B)
SN0WOSP via SP5KCR (B)
T32AU via VO1MX
T32CO via KB8TXZ
T32LJ via K8ESQ (B)
T32TR via KB8TXZ
T32TX via KB8TXZ
T32WW via KB8TXZ
T32XX via KB8TXZ
T88BI via JH6KXG (B)
T88CP via JA6UBY (d)
T88HK via JE6DND (d)
T88SM via JA6EGL (d)
TM10E via F5KTU (B)
TX6T via G3TXF (B), (L)
TX6T/p via G3TXF (B), (L)
TY2SI via JA1PBV (B)
UP20OGB via UN7OGB
UP20OY via UN7OY
UP20PL via UN7PL (B)
UP20PT via UN8PT
UP20Q via UN6QC (B), (L), eQSL
UP20R via UN7RL
UP20RK via UN7Z
UP20T via UN6T
UP20TB via UN7TB (B)
UP20TD via UN8TD
UP20TFS via UN7TFS
UP20TG via UN7TG
UP20TK via UN7TK
UP20TO via UN7TO
UP20TW via UN7TW
UP20TX via UN7TX
UP20TZ via UN7TZ (B), (L), eQSL
UR5IFX via N4TV
UT5KDS via IK2DUW (B)
V25RV via JN1RVS (d), (L)
VP2V/GM0LVI via GM0LVI (B)
VP6T via G3TXF (B), (L)
VP8DNT via JH1AJT (B)
VU3BPZ via I1HYW (d)
VU17NYF via (B)
XU7AEN via JA3BZO
XU7ARJ via JA3ARJ (B)
XU7AVO via JA3AVO (B)
XU7CJA via JA1CJA
XU7HJI via JA3HJI
XU7UJR via JA3UJR (B)
XV2CNH via JA6CNH (d)

XV3CNH via JA6CNH (d)
YS3/IW2CXJ via IW2CXJ (L), (d), eQSL
YW6MOTO via (B)
ZD8S via (d)
3Z20WOSP via SP5YOW (B)
3Z0WOSP via SP5ZRW (B)
4K0BO via DL4WK (B)
8N1JARL via (B)
8N5JARL via (B)
8N8JARL via (B)
8N9JARL via (B)
8N0JARL via (B)
9A207AAA via 9A5K (B)
9A208DX via 9A3JB (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: C21UF (LA5UF), T2XG (JA1XGI), YN7SU, ZM4T (ZL2AL),
VP5CW & VP59V & VQ51V (W5CW), 3D2R (YT1AD),
5R8UI (IZ8CCW)

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28. The ARRL Letter for January 12, 2012

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Date: 2012-01-13 04:34:09 UTC
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==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS GATHER THIS WEEKEND FOR 2012 ANNUAL
MEETING

ARRL policy is made by its Board of Directors. The 15 voting members
of the Board are the Directors who are elected by the ARRL members in
their respective divisions. The Board meets in January and July,
usually in the Hartford area. ARRL members also elect Vice Directors
who may attend the meetings. ARRL Directors and Vice Directors are
volunteers who work hard to represent the ARRL in their divisions, to
represent the members who elect them on policy issues and to conduct
the committee work that is so important to good decision-making.
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The 2012 Annual Meeting begins on Friday, January 13 and is expected to run through Saturday afternoon. Usually, the Annual Meeting is held the third full weekend in January, but with the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) beginning January 23, the Board voted to hold its meeting early.

The two Standing Committees -- the Administration & Finance (A&F) Committee and the Programs & Services Committee -- will meet on Thursday, January 12. These two committees are made up of five Directors and a Vice Director, with the treasurer serving as an additional member of the A&F Committee. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2012-annual-meeting-of-the-arrl-board-of-directors-set-for-january-13-14-agenda-announced>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC DENIES ARRL PETITION ON VANITY, CLUB CALL SIGNS

On January 11, the FCC denied an ARRL Petition for Reconsideration concerning vanity and club call signs. Filed with the Commission in January 2011, the ARRL's Petition was in response to the FCC's Report and Order that detailed rules changes to the vanity call sign system and call signs for Amateur Radio clubs. These new rules went into effect on February 14, 2011.

The FCC noted that the ARRL supports its efforts to prevent club stations from obtaining an unfair share of desirable call signs, but expresses concern that the specific rule language adopted by the Commission "does not preclude the abuses that the Report and Order intended to preclude." In its Petition, the ARRL stated that if a club has multiple station trustees, each of these trustees could obtain a vanity call sign for the club, thereby allowing the club to obtain multiple vanity call signs. The ARRL also argued that a club could "'gam[e]' the club station vanity call sign system" by obtaining multiple FCC Registration Numbers (FRNs) and applying for a vanity call sign under each FRN. "We do not believe that the vanity call sign system is subject to the abuses identified by the ARRL," the FCC said, "or that it's suggested rule changes are necessary." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-denies-arrl-petition-on-vanity-club-call-signs>
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==> + ARRL MEETS 2011 FUNDRAISING GOALS

Thanks to the generosity of dedicated members and friends, the ARRL successfully met its 2011 fundraising goals. More than 6000 individuals and clubs supported the efforts of the ARRL this past year through gifts to the Diamond Club, the Spectrum Defense Fund, the Education & Technology Fund, the Historic Preservation Fund, the W1AW Endowment Fund and the ARRL Endowment Fund.

Many of the ARRL's programs and services would not be possible without the additional support of its members. The Development Office -- managed by Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH -- worked tirelessly throughout 2011 to make the membership aware of these needs. "I am proud to report that our members have enthusiastically and

generously responded to our appeals all year long," Hobart said. "Our overall goal for 2011 was $960,000. As of the end of the year, we had met -- and exceeded -- all expectations. To everyone who made this possible, thank you!" Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-meets-2011-fundraising-goals>.

==> + GET READY FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF QST

The February issue of QST is jam-packed with all sorts of things that today's Amateur Radio operator needs. This issue celebrates 50 years of the Amateur Satellite Service, marking the December 1961 launch of OSCAR 1, the first Amateur Radio satellite. Discover articles, projects and tips to improve your station, as well as information about operating activities that will keep you active on the air throughout 2012.

With energy costs skyrocketing, many people are looking to find ways to save on their electric bill. It's no secret that radios, amplifiers and all the peripherals in your shack can drive up the cost of your monthly usage. With this in mind, Mert Nellis, W0UFO, presents "Characterizing Solar Panels for Amateur Radio Applications." Solar panels use the Sun to produce electrical current to charge a battery, providing steady power for radios and small appliances. And moving your station off the grid may be easier than you think. In his article "Going Totally Green," Dave Gauger, W9CJS, explains that it is simple to make your station environmentally friendly. Gauger notes that he didn't set out to "go green" to save money on his electric bill, but did it for the fun and challenge, as well as to have the ability to provide substantial HF communications in the event of a major power outage.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the ARRL's DXCC Award, the world's preeminent DXing award. To celebrate this milestone, the ARRL is presenting the Diamond DXCC Challenge. We are challenging DXers worldwide to work at least 100 of the 231 entities representing those on the original 1937 DXCC List. And when you're out there hunting that DX, why not swing your beam south for Antarctic Activity Week? Ruth Vano, KB0USC, tells the story of this annual event sponsored by the Worldwide Antarctic Program in her article "To the End of the Earth -- Antarctic Activity Week."

ARRL Contributing Editor Phil Salas, AD5X, takes a look at the Elecraft KPA500 HF/6 meter power amplifier in this month's Product Review. He says this "fully featured amplifier looks and works great on your desk or at your DX location. It's 160 to 6 meter 500 W capability, auto band switching and PIN diode switching integrate well with all transceivers." QST Product Review Editor Mark Wilson, K1RO, test drove four 25 A switch mode power supplies: the Jetstream JTPS30M, the Powerwerx SS-30DV, the QJE DX PS30SWII and the Ten-Tec model 941.

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the February QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is In, How's DX,

Vintage Radio and more. Look for your February issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> ON THE AIR: THE ARRL JANUARY VHF SWEEPSTAKES MEANS WINTER CONTESTING FUN FOR EVERYONE

VHF operators will be on the bands in force the weekend of January 21-23, as the ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes hits the airwaves. This contest gives the VHFer in all of us a chance to do some contesting during the winter months. "Don't let the cold weather in much of the US dissuade you from getting on the air," said ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "Many a portable or Rover operation has done just fine in January. While propagation enhancement can seem fleeting in January, there have been some monstrous openings during this contest in years past. Who knows? Perhaps the propagation gods will grant us a late holiday gift with an extended aurora or tropospheric event!" Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-january-vhf-sweepstakes-means-winter-contesting-fun-for-everyone>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC GRANTS SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY FOR AMATEUR SPREAD SPECTRUM EXPERIMENTS

Phil Williams, KA1GMN, has been granted a Special Temporary Authority (STA) by the Federal Communications Commission to conduct Spread Spectrum experiments within 2.5 kHz signal bandwidths on 160 through 2 meters, at a maximum of 100 W effective radiated power. The six month authorization takes effect February 1 and expires on July 31. The FCC has assigned Williams the call sign WF9XJD for use during his experimental transmissions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-grants-special-temporary-authority-for-amateur-spread-spectrum-experiments>.

==> + FCC NEWS: RADIO AMATEURS NOT AFFECTED BY NARROWBANDING REQUIREMENTS

The FCC released a Public Notice <http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2012/db0105/DA-12-12A1.pdf>
on January 6, reminding land mobile licensees, frequency coordinators and equipment manufacturers that they have less than one year to transition to narrowband operations in the 150-174 and 421-512 MHz bands. While the latter frequency range includes amateur service allocations, radio amateurs are not affected by the narrowbanding requirement. Land mobile operation is permitted in parts of the 421-430 MHz band in the areas around Detroit, Cleveland and Buffalo, and land mobile licensees in these areas are among those who will have to migrate to narrowband (12.5 kHz or narrower) technology by January 1, 2013. Amateur operation is not permitted along the Canadian border

(north of Line A as defined in the FCC Rules) in the band 420-430 MHz.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL REQUESTS FEEDBACK FOR 60 METER BAND PLAN

In November 2011, the FCC released a Report & Order detailing new rules for the 5 MHz (60 meters) Amateur Radio band <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-releases-new-rules-for-60-meters>. As of January 12, these rules have not yet been published in the Federal Register. In order to be official, the rules must be published in the Federal Register and will take effect 30 days after the publication date. The R&O brings with it a number of changes for 60 meter operators. Considering the expected increase in 60 meter activity when the R&O finally takes effect, the ARRL is asking for feedback to assist in crafting a proposed band plan. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-requests-feedback-for-60-meter-band-plan>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Searching for a way to January Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ztzMII6T-U4>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers were up this week by a tiny bit, from 88.1 to 90.6, while the average daily solar flux was down slightly, from 136.2 to 134.9. The latest daily projection from NOAA/USAF shows the solar flux about 15 points lower than the average for the week, at 120 on January 12-15, 125 on January 16-19, and then a jump of 20 points to 145 on January 20-26. It should decline again, and then rise to a peak of 165 on February 17-21. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on January 12, 8 on January 13-14, 5 on January 15-17, 8 on January 18-19, and then back to 5 on January 20-27. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, January 13. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Vanden Plas' January Sun <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christ_0>.

==> TECHNOLOGY NEWS: VIDEOS OF 2011 ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Amateur Radio Video News (ARVN <http://www.arvn.tv/>) has released high-definition videos of all the talks presented at the 2011 ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC <http://www.tapr.org/dcc.html>), held September 16-18. The programs are now available online on the ARVN website <http://arvideonews.com/dcc2011/index.html>.

The DCC is a three-day conference on Amateur Radio digital technology. Among the video presentations are 18 seminars, the Saturday Banquet and the welcome introduction by TAPR Chairman Steve Bible, N7HPR. According to ARVN Producer Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, most of the talks are fairly technical, although there are four separate sessions that cover "Intro to" topics. "All of the talks -- except the 'Intro to' talks -- were shot in three-camera high-definition, with wireless mics

for 'close-up' audio of the presenter, as well as the question-and-answer period," he explained. "The 'Intro to' talks were shot with a single, standard-definition camera.

This year, Pearce decided to release the programs on the web <http://arvideonews.com/index.html> instead of the DVDs that have been produced in previous years (although the DVDs will be available later). "I wanted to make the programs available more quickly and easily to a worldwide audience," he said. "The web has become an easy, high-quality distribution medium."

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- Do you have a call sign license plate on your vehicle?
- Do you still have some vacuum tubes in your parts box?
- Will the new privileges on the 60 meter band make you more inclined to operate there?
- Are you active on APRS (Automatic Position Reporting System)?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the April 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- January 13 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 14-15 -- North American QSO Party (CW); WW PMC Contest; Michigan QRP January CW Contest
- January 16 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- January 19 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- January 20 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 21 -- Feld Hell Sprint; LZ Open Contest
- January 21-22 -- North American QSO Party (SSB); Hungarian DX Contest; YL-ISSB QSO Party (SSB)
- January 21-23 -- ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes <http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf-sweepstakes>
- January 25 -- SKCC Sprint
- January 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 27-28 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfest-1>, Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>, Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>, Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-hamcation-1>, Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>, Yuma, Arizona
- February 18 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie, Arkansas
- February 25 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>, South Burlington, Vermont
- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest>, Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-hamfest-2>, Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>, Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana-hamfest>, Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest-1>, Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-tm>,

Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
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Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
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THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 15 2012.

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

It has been great to listen to the discussion points in WIA National News,
given by Onno, VK6FLAB, who as a broadcaster is a radio old timer but as an
amateur is new to our ranks.

Onno's short stories demonstrate that every person brings something to this
hobby other than the "ticket" to operate. The fact that some-one starting their
journey in AR has such enthusiasm and wishes to share what he has found is a
real shot in the arm for those of us who flounder in finding ways to get the
message across.

The life experience of a primary school student sitting for a foundation licence
is something to be expanded and the life experience of all is to be recognised

as being as valid as our own personal opinions.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

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I wish to advise that the National Office of the WIA will re-open at 10am Melbourne time Tomorrow Monday 16th January 2012.

The Wireless Institute Of Australia extends to all radio amateurs very best wishes for the year ahead.

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NO RADIO EXPO AT COFFS HARBOUR.

Oxley Region ARC newsletter, Oxtales advises the Mid North Coast Amateur Radio Group will NOT hold their Radio Expo in Coffs Harbour in January this year.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

All roads lead to the Centre Victoria RadioFest at the Kyneton Racecourse, an hour from Melbourne, Ballarat and Bendigo on Sunday the 12th of February.

The major commercial traders will be there in the bustling Traders Hall. Look for their specials!

Pick up a bargain or two in the second-hand market areas - components, bits and pieces, connectors, cable, sealed lead acid batteries or antennas?

Want to make a sales table or car-boot space booking? Then be quick and obtain an application form via the home page of the Amateur Radio Victoria website.

Make it something you don't miss! The Centre Victoria RadioFest at Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday the 12th of February.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001
Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
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(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
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get local qnews emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, Vk4ZPP and I've been thinking again.

dxcoffee.com/eng/2011/12/26/interview-kevin-white-operator-vk0kev-macquarie-island/

At the link given in the text edition, on the dxcoffee.com website is a follow up interview with Kevin, VK4KEV, on his operations as VK0KEV Macquarie Island. This is not unusual as the wider DX fraternity are very collegial and supportive of people who have gone to exotic climes and given the opportunity of rare calls in the log.

For as long as I have been associated with AR, there have been an infestation of pests who ignore their licence conditions and wouldn't recognize the Amateur's Code if it were tattooed on their chests. These have been the self opinionated and self appointed "big guns" who run excess power and ignore normal operating procedures just to snare the rare one. These operators call over the top of stations and often the DX station acknowledges them just to clear the air waves for the courteous op's.

I mention this because one point that Kevin makes in this interview is the use of a new technique to clear this garbage from the air. To count for awards, a valid QSL must be given by each station.

I know we hear a lot of 5/9 reports these days when signal strength may be marginal with multiple repeats but at least these are valid contacts.

What does the "big gun" operator do with a logged signal report of 0/0?

No good for DXCC and no good for further pestering the DX operator for another useless report. It seems that this method is being used more frequently and more of the "big guns" are falling silent.

For behaviour that spoils the hobby, putting these individuals on the naughty chair seems only fair.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

Neil VK4NF from the Bunya Mts & District Amcom reminds all visitors as well as locals Saturday the 4th February is their Ham & wine hamfest in the Maclagan hall in down town Maclagan from 0900 to 1400hrs.

" Table bookings are just $10 each and stall holders will be allowed in after 0700hrs to set up.

For more info, or to receive a flyer with the details, please send an Email to myself at holmzie@bigpond.com or Ricky, vk4nrl@wia.org.au

Be there or be square we would love to see you there.

The proceeds from the day will be put towards promoting Amateur radio, IRLP, APRS, etc, and recruiting new amateurs to the great hobby.

So put the date in your diaries, Saturday the 4th February doors open at 0900hrs. Remember it is towards the west, and not way out west, being about a 50 minute drive north west of Toowoomba."

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

Padre John, VK4BZ, who has spent the last 7 months in Afghanistan with 2RAR will be returning back to Australia in the next 3 weeks. John said, "Thank you for your support over the last seven months and for the emails and letters of encouragement - even the Padre needs encouragement sometimes, and your words have been just that for me. Blessings to all and we'll see you back in the Land Down Under - with green grass, fresh milk, amber fluid, bitumen roads and amateur radio!"

It will be good to see you back safe and sound John.

Last week's news had a story about by Darren, VK4DJH, who made a QRP contact to Italy, using 5 watts. The contact was placed on Utube at 1900DAZZA. Darren has now been informed that the ARRL has entered the contact into a competition and we are all hoping for the best for Darren.

The next technical talk will be on 16 Jan 2012 and will be by Steve, VK4CZ, and will cover the topic of 6 metre DX. In February, John VK4CJC, will discuss Calibrating SWR and Power meters, in March, Kevin VK4UH, Meteor Scatter, April, Phil, VK4FIL, Digital Modes and in May, Peter VK4EA, Software Defined Radio. Remember, Club technical talks are the third Monday of the month and all amateurs and anyone interested in the hobby of amateur radio is invited to attend.

The next Club Working Bee will most likely be the 4th Saturday 9.00am (21st) February. This working bee will to repair and replace guttering that was to be completed last year but unfortunately time ran out. Club members, who meet each Wednesday morning, have completed the movement of the kitchen bench and now the dishwasher can be installed.

If you are free any Wednesday morning in the Redcliffe area and want a quick chat and a cuppa, call in to the club rooms and you will be made welcome.

Wednesday night trivia is back for 2012 on the Redcliffe 70 cm repeater starting at about 7.30 pm local time.

The club's ATV System nearing almost at completion. Peter, VK4EA, demonstrated the capability of the system last Monday night and a few small calibration tweaks yet required before it goes on air.

There is a new starting date for all licence training courses conducted at the club. Training courses will start second weekend of February 2012. Foundation, Standard and Advanced courses will be held subject to the number of applicants. Anyone interested should contact Roger, VK4ZLQ, via the club's web site, www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/.

You do not have to be a club member to participate in the course.

Well this is about all at the moment and so it's 73 until next time from
Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

January 1-31 VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest

January 14-15 VK Summer VHF-UGF Field Day

March 17-18 VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY

May 5 VK/trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB

June 9-10 VK Shires Contest.

June 25 VK/trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB

July First full weekend NZART Memorial Contest

August 11-12 VK Remembrance Day Contest

August 18-19 WW International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

Prefix hunters will be interested to know that Croatia is marking the 20th
Anniversary of the allocation of the 9A prefix. Operators there are permitted
to insert the figures '20' into their callsigns.

For example 9A2AA will become 9A202AA, 9A1MM becomes 9A201MM etc.

These prefixes are available throughout 2012.

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PA8A will be active as PJ4B from the island of Bonaire.
Listen out for him until 22 January.
His operation will be holiday style on the high frequency bands only.
QSL direct only via PA8A.

VE2XB will be active as J79XB from Dominica for several weeks.
His operation will be holiday style on all bands from 10 to 160m and possibly
6 metres if there are openings.
QSL via VE2XB as listed on QRZ.com

The VP6T team have started the journey to French Polynesia, with the first stop
in Tahiti, which is IOTA OC-046, for three days.
They will then take a small airplane to Mangareva Island, OC-063.
They plan to be active from Tahiti and, if time permits, also from Mangareva as
TX6T.
QSL via G3TXF.

Denmark has the Presidency of European Union until 30 June and the callsign
5 P 12 EU will be activated during this period.
QSL cards will be available and there is an award scheme for working or hearing
this callsign.
For all details on QSLing, the award scheme and logs, check out www.5p12eu.dk

2012 is the 75th anniversary of the ARRL's DXCC Award, the world's preeminent DXing award. To celebrate this important milestone, the ARRL has gone back to the beginning -- the 1937 DXCC List.The Diamond DXCC Challenge will test DXers ability to contact all the 231 entities on the original DXCC List.

ARRL tried to find corresponding entities today that would represent the places listed in 1937, and they were mostly successful. There are a couple of places that were merged, like French and British New Hebrides, and the Papua and New Guinea Territories. In those places, for 2012 if you work a YJ or a P29 (on the main island of New Guinea) you will get credit for working two entities! Many other oddities are sprinkled throughout the list, too. Returning to the air in 2012 will be the Canal Zone (any HP operating within 8 kilometers of the Panama Canal), the Cities of Gdansk, Poland, as well as Ifni, Morocco and Balochistan.

For some entities that now consist of multiple countries, you may work any of today's entities to qualify for that single 1937 country. For example, French Equatorial Africa will be considered worked if you log a station in TL, TN, TR or TT in 2012. The Diamond DXCC country tables show the current entity names and prefixes that qualify for the 1937 countries.

Read more here
http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-diamond-dxcc-challenge

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

In VK3 and interested in getting your licence?

The entry level Foundation Licence continues to be the most popular way of getting into amateur radio. It is attracting those who have had some previous hobby radio communications interest (CB, 4WD, Scanner Listener) and others who are attracted to ham radio for the first time.

2012 Weekend Foundation Courses:-

March 24th & 25th
April 28th & 29th
July 21st & 22nd
Septr 22nd & 23rd
Nov 17th & 18th

VK4's Redcliffe Radio Club advise classes for Foundation, Standard and Advanced licences will commence in early March and the Advanced licence course will run until September.

Those interested read the club's web site, www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

British Villagers were left unable to use their showers, doorbells and even car key fobs for several days in the latest case of suspected wireless interference.

Families in Kingsclere on the Hampshire-Berkshire border, spent much of the festive season without heating after the failure of household systems which rely on digital technology.

Ofcom the UK regulator claims often these problems can be caused by a video sender that transmits a television signal to other sets in the house.

The heating system failed, and a neighbour experienced other difficulties.

People living in Southampton had reported earlier that their remote car key fobs had stopped working. That problem was tracked down to a faulty video sender which was leaking a frequency which interfered with the fobs.

Residents in Windermere, Cumbria, had similar problems in March which were eventually traced back to a wireless device used to take orders at a nearby restaurant.

CAN I HAVE "AMATEUR RADIO" FOR $800, ALEX?

Popular television game show Jeopardy, where contestants have to answer in the form of a question had a question featuring Amateur Radio.

Playing the category "Pastimes" the contestant encountered this "answer" worth $800: "The FCC assigns call signs, like N8DNR, to use in this hobby."

N8DNR is call sign of Debbie Dorfman the mother of Stephen Dorfman N6DIW (SK).

Stephen was Jeopardy!'s longest serving and most prolific writer, with more than 50,000 clues to his credit. As part of a team of writers, he won six Daytime Emmy Awards for special-class writing, given for shows that do not fit into traditional categories!

SETI is at it again manning the Allen Telescope Array of 42 dishes northest of San Francisco in search for life from outer space.

Researchers were scanning the heavens for the presence of an intelligent alien civilisation back in 2007, but last year ceased due to budget restraints.

The Allen Telescope has begun using Kepler satellite data which includes the hunt for hunt for planets.

The Allen array is scouring the 54 planet candidates Kepler had detected and what is described by astronomers as the first habitable zone to date

SETI and ham radio have had a long association with one another going back several decades.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the details:

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE AND RSGB

S-E-T-I or SETI is an acronym that stands for the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence. On Monday December 5th, Jill Tarter, who is the director of the Center for SETI Research at the SETI Institute announced that the group has begun re-observing the Kepler worlds using a ground-based radio telescope system.

SETI's Allen Telescope Array or A-T-A is a set of 42 dish type antennas located about 300 miles northeast of San Francisco, California. It began scanning the heavens for electromagnetic signals that could betray the presence of an intelligent alien civilization back in 2007. In January of 2011 the SETI team started training the Allen array on the 54 planet candidates Kepler had detected what is described by astronomers as the first habitable zone to date. Then it was shut down due to budgetary constraints.

Once funds became available, SETI researchers reactivated the Allen Telescope and have begun using Kepler's discoveries to guide its activities. The Kepler space telescope was placed on-orbit in March 2009. Its mission is to hunt for Earth-size planets in their parent stars' habitable zone. That would position such planets at just the right range of distances from their home star where liquid water and perhaps life as we know could exist.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Prestigious award for IOTA heads

Roger Ballister, G3KMA and Martin Atherton, G3ZAY are recipients of the Yasme Excellence Award for 2011, for their dedicated work for the Islands on the Air programme.

The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to amateur radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of amateur radio in underdeveloped countries. Everyone at the RSGB would like to congratulate both Roger and Martin on this well deserved award.

NO 40 METER CONTACTS POSSIBLE WITH THE ISS

According to a note from the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station team, rumors that the ISS was having direct contacts on the 40 meter band are false. The reason that this is not possible is that there is no high frequency radio gear on board the orbiting outpost.

What is likely being heard is space station audio being retransmitted by an amateur station on the ground. ARISS notes that WA3NAN which is the club station at the Goddard Spaceflight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, is among those that retransmit shuttle audio.

Signal travels 2,200 miles with OPERA

Using the new OPERA datamode, Gary, G4WGT successfully transmitted a signal to Joe, VO1NA on 137.5kHz, a distance of 3,500km.

Gary transmitted six full callsigns in a two hour period, which is a big time saving over modes like QRSS.

The OPERA mode was envisaged by Graham, G0NBD and coded by Jose Ros, EA5HVK, as a way of providing data operations for stations who only had the CW capability.

Andy K3UK has written a guide on how to get started with the new amateur radio digital mode OPERA.

OPERA was initially developed for the 500 and 136 kHz bands but radio amateurs have also been using it on 10 MHz (30m) and other HF bands.

Read the Quick Guide to OPERA at
http://www.obriensweb.com/operaguide.html

The most up to date information on this mode can be found at the OFFICIAL site:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/O_P_E_R_A_/.

HONORING FESSENDEN AND HEISING NEAR 500 KC

Finally this week, in honor of inventors Reginald Fessenden and Raymond Heising, a special operation is taking place on 472.5 kHz. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the rest of the details:

As early as 1900 Reginald Fessenden was experimenting with the direct transmission of human speech. A bit later, during WW1, Raymond Heising was developing a method of constant-current modulation that was one of the earliest forms of Amplitude Modulation.

Brian Justin, WA1ZMS/4 is part of the ARRL's Low Frequency WD2XSH Experimental License. With the cooperation of commercial coastal CW station WNE and the FCC's Office of Engineering Technology Justin has received a Special Temporary Authority with call sign WF9XIH. This to permit AM transmissions with a center carrier frequency of 472.5kHz until March 1st.

Reginald Fessenden is best remembered for his Christmas Eve 1906 transmission. It was comprised of him playing the violin, playing a recording and him reading a Bible verse. Justin began his operation the week of December 18th of 2011 with a special recreation of that 1906 Christmas Eve transmission:

Actual transmission audio.

According to Justin, WF9XIH is licensed for up to 20 watts Effective Radiated Power and he says that every effort is being made to run as close to that ERP as possible. The antenna is a 160 meter dipole that tends to be very lossy when fed by a 600 meter signal. This is the same antenna that he has been using for his WD2XSH/31 operation.

WF9XIH transmissions are being coordinated with W-N-E and any changes to the WNE schedule will alter the WF9XIH operating times. The current plan is to make at least one Heising modulated AM transmission most evenings at 02:00 UTC. Audio loops of speech and a series of stepped audio tones will be used most of the time The stepped audio tones should make it easier for DX listeners to demodulate them in CW or SSB mode even when they are well beyond the range of the AM signal.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

If you happen to copy a WF9XIH transmission, WA1ZMS requests that you log it at www.500kc.com

Information about the ongoing WD2XSH/31 operation can be found at tinyurl.com/wd2xsh31

International Museums Weekend

The International Museums Weekend special event will this year take place on the double weekends of 16th & 17th and 23rd & 24th June.

Radio amateurs are encouraged to participate in this event by setting up stations in their local museums. Organiser Harry, M1BYT asks that all those intending to take part in the event should register their museum via the from on the International Museums Weekend website, www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

New Amateur Radio Home Construction List

Electronic home construction (DIY) is undergoing a boom at the moment with Maker and Hacker groups springing up everywhere. A new amateur Radio builder list has started to cater for the growing interest in building simple projects.

If you are currently a ham radio builder, or interested in becoming one, the Hamradio-builder mailing list has been created with you in mind.

Diane Bruce, VA3DB says of the list, "A recent look at some old 73 Magazines brought to mind the simple projects this magazine produced.

So my thought was to do something similar, but meant for the web instead of dead tree. I am not talking a full fledged magazine, but a website where we can put simple beginner type articles, with copious photos and good instructions. We hope it will become a bit like Maker Magazine but for the radio amateur."

The project is just getting started. If you are interested in joining this community you can sign up for the list at:
http://diana.db.net/mailman/listinfo/hamradio-builder

If you ARE an avid DIY 'selfer' particularly if you also are going to attend the Wyong Field Day to pick up some 'pre-loved' bits n pieces, have YOU thought about getting your Ham Licence?

wELL, Amateur Radio NSW will again be providing exam assessments at the Central Coast Field day at Wyong at the end of February.

Then in March the upgrade course for Standard and Advanced licenses in VK2 commences Monday evenings at VK2WI Dural and runs for several months. Details are to be found on the WIA web site calandar of events.

Full details are to be found in the text edition of this bulletin .....

education@arnsw.org.au or
telephone on either 02 9651 1490 or 0400 445 829 and leave contact details.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Amsat draws your attention to a collection of interseting audio recordings.

The "Sounds from Space" collection on www.dd1us.de is a collection which has also a section dedicated to recordings of amateur radio satellite signals.

The idea is to give older radio amateurs the chance, to listen to signals of satellites which are already gone and the might have worked in the past, and to younger people interested in ham radio, to get them more excited in satellite communication.

In spite of the fact that the collection now gets close to 1000 recordings there are still missing recordings from some amateur radio satellites.

(vk7tw)

In order to certify the University of New South Wales BLUEsat safe for launch, the satellite needs to undergo vibration and shock testing.

BLUEsat is a basic low earth orbiting experimental digital amateur radio satellite being designed and built solely by students over at at the University of NSW.

Their immediate aim is to accurately recreate the conditions that BLUEsat will experience during launch.

BLUEsat members have designed and overseen manufacture of a mock interface that simulates the real manner in which the satellite will be secured to D.N.E.P.R's Space Head Module.

This new interface will be used to test the vibrational performance of the BLUEsat structure and, importantly, the integrity of the onboard electronics.

Once in orbit BLUEsat will be a digital amateur radio satellite, which means voice and data files can be uploaded to it by any amateur radio operator in the world over which the satellite passes.

Students from UNSW will continue to be the primary operators of the satellite while it is in orbit and continue the educational focus throughout the full satellite lifecycle.

A launch date is yet to be decided.

(arv)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN Victoria has completed another very successful training exercise in conjunction with the "VicSuper" Murray Marathon conducted over 5 days from

26th - 31st December 2011.

The Marathon is a 404 Km Canoe race on the Murray River between Yarrawonga and Swan Hill on the New South Wales and Victoria border.

WICEN provided safety communications and logistical support during the progress of the event by establishing seven HF stations at the checkpoints on the riverbank amongst the red gums each day. The HF operations were conducted on 80 & 40 Meters as a controlled net managed by VK3AWI, while the remote stations used special call signs approved by the ACMA.

There were 120 canoes entered the event this year. Twenty-five amateurs attended the event and shared great camaraderie as they camped together each night.

The event will be on again this coming December 2012 between Christmas and New Year. If any one would like to be involved you can contact Graham Mason VK3KMG by telephoning (03) 59720704 and he will put your name on the list.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

When I passed my Foundation License test I spent some months researching what equipment to buy, where to buy it from and how to configure it after I bought it.

In case you're wondering, I ended up with a Yaesu 857D with a Diamond SG-7200 dual band antenna and an SGC SG-237 antenna tuner for HF. I'm not mentioning those things as a recommendation, nor am I telling you about them because I think that's the best solution. I'm telling you about them to indicate that I purchased all my gear, straight from retailers, and now use the resulting kit as my station.

Last week I was at a club meeting where an Amateur of many, many years experience was holding a talk about VHF and UHF antennas that you can build in your kitchen with parts from your local hardware store. The excitement that this amateur had for making all manner of antennas was clearly evident and I came to realise that my path of buying all my gear, while successful in terms of making it on-air also left something behind, experimentation.

For months I've experimented with cables, connectors, batteries and locations. At a certain level I was "experimenting", making audio interfaces, battery leads, RF cables, etc. but this talk highlighted something for me personally that showed that until now I've not scratched the surface of experimentation.

My foundation license allows me to only use commercially produced transceivers, but it says nothing about anything connected to it. The talk showed that there is an infinite variety of antenna technology available and being produced and invented new each day. Some amateurs talk about a shed full of failed attempts and a little corner with some successes.

After being introduced to the beginnings of making my own antenna, I'm hooked. I'm sure I'll be spending at least some of my Amateur Radio time building antennas and learning from the experience. Perhaps one day I'll inspire the next person to build their own antenna too.

In the mean time I'm looking forward to learning from the Amateurs that went before me.

I'm Onno - VK6FLAB

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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wia.org.au

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even get a "cheerio call".

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Message-ID: <20120113100004.8FB0D33C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3847
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1796 - January 13 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1796 with a release date of
January 13th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The Supreme Court hears an appeal dealing
with broadcast indecency that could eventually impact ham radio and
other services. Also, the FCC turns away an ARRL vanity call sign
appeal dealing with club calls; Missouri exempts hams from a proposed
cellphone while driving law and ham radio to celebrate the life of
famed country music legend Johnny Cash. All this and more on Amateur
Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1796 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FCC HEARS CHALLENGE TO FCC INDECENT LANGUAGE RULES

The United States Supreme Court heard arguments on Tuesday, January
10th about whether the FCC should still have a role in policing the
nation's airwaves or whether its indecency regulations violate
guarantees of free speech and due process. Whatever the justices
decide could also impact on other, non-broadcast services as well.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has more:

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The broadcast networks have argued successfully in lower courts that in
a world where they exist side by side with cable channels, the Internet
and satellite provided programming that it is beyond the FCC's
jurisdiction and that singling them out is not only nonsensical but
totally unconstitutional. And in a court brief, Washington attorney
Carter G. Phillips, who represents several networks, told the court
that broadcasting is neither uniquely pervasive nor uniquely accessible
to children, yet broadcasters are still denied the same basic First
Amendment freedoms as other media.

Phillips continued by stating that to the average American viewer,
broadcasting is just one source among hundreds in a media-saturated
environment. He noted that with a mere press of a button on the remote
control one could switch from other to fully protected sources.

On the other side of this issue is the Obama administration which is
defending the FCC's regulatory powers. It told the court that in what
it calls a new media world that the FCC is still required to have

continued federal oversight of the public airwaves. This, to provide a haven for parents and children from the unregulated world of cable television and the Internet.

In his brief, U.S. Solicitor General Donald B. Verrilli Jr. wrote that generations of parents have relied on indecency regulation to safeguard broadcast television as a relatively safe medium for their children. He notes that the current regulations come from a 1978 Supreme Court's decision in the case of the FCC versus the Pacifica Foundation. There the court upheld the commission's decision that an afternoon radio broadcast of comedian George Carlin's 1973 monologue broadcast over New York City station WBAI about the so-called seven words that could not be said on television violated indecency standards. It was in that case where the Supreme Court found that the FCC was well within constitutional boundaries to police the radio and television airwaves during the times children would probably be listening, which was interpreted between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.

As to the reason that this is an important case for ham radio and other personal radio services? Simply because traditionally enforcement of indecency violations in amateur radio, CB and the like has long been predicated on and tied to the standards used to guide commercial broadcasters. If the Supreme Court rules that the FCC cannot control indecent language in broadcasting it could be in effect saying that the government has no power on this issue in other services, including what's said on the ham radio bands.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline. I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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In recent years, the Supreme Court has regularly ruled in favor of free-speech claims. But during oral arguments none of the justices voiced any support for making a major change in the law barring broadcast indecency during safe haven hours. As we go to air it's not known when the Justices will render its decision in this case. (Various published reports)

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RADIO LAW: FCC REJECTS ARRL PARTIAL APPEAL ON CLUB CALLSIGNS

The FCC has rejected a motion for partial reconsideration of revised rules enacted by the FCC. These to limit the number of vanity calls that any individual or club can hold.

In its petition the League stated that it supports the Commission's efforts to prevent club stations from obtaining an unfair share of desirable call signs. But it also expressed concern that the precise rule language adopted by the FCC did not preclude the abuses that the Report and Order intended to prohibit. Specifically, the ARRL believes that if a club has multiple station trustees, each of these trustees

could obtain a vanity call sign for the club. That in turn could allow the club to obtain multiple vanity call signs.

But in denying the ARRL appeal the FCC said that the Leagues petition does not provide any grounds for reconsidering the Commission's decision in the Report and Order. It said that the concerns expressed by ARRL about licensees attempting to evade the rules adopted in the Report and Order are already addressed by the Commission's licensing rules and processes. It notes that Section 97.5(b)(2) of its rules states, in part, that a club station license grant may be held only by the person who is the license or trustee designated by an officer of the club. In simpler terms, only one vanity call sign per club. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC GREEN LIGHTS STA FOR TEXAS HAM TO RUN HF SPREAD SPECTRUM

The FCC has granted Philip J. Williams, KA1GMN, of Euless, Texas, a Special Temporary Authority or STA to conduct Spread Spectrum experiments on 160 through 2 meters.

The 6 month authorization takes effect February 1st and expires on July 31st. It limits Williams to a maximum 2.5 kHz of signal bandwidths at 100 watts effective radiated power. Williams was directed by the FCC to use the Experimental Station call letters WF9XJD during his investigational Spread Spectrum transmissions.

Previous experiments with Spread Spectrum technology have been conducted on the ham radio bands at 222 MHz and above where this mode of transmission is already legal. The Special Temporary Authority granted to Williams is the first permitting Spread Spectrum experimentation on the High Frequency and lower VHF bands. (FCC)

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LOW FREQUENCY EXPERIMENT: OPERA ENCODED SIGNAL TRAVELS 2200 MILES

Opera has made a big debuet on the ham radio bands. Using the new Opera data mode, Gary Taylor, G4WGT, in Lancanshire in the United Kingdom has successfully transmitted a signal on 137.5 kHz across the North Atlantic to Joe Craig, VO1NA, in Toebay, Canada. This over a distance of 3,500 kilometers or 2200 miles.

Taylor transmitted six full callsign frames in a two hour period, which is a big time saving over other slow digital modes like QRSS. Opera was created by Graham Brown, G0NBD with the actual code written by Jose Ros, EA5HVK. This as a way of providing data operations for stations that only had the CW capability. The most up to date information on this mode can be found at groups.yahoo.com. (Southgate)

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RESTRUCTURING: DUTCH HAMS GRANTED BANDS AT 500 KHZ AND 70 MHZ

Dutch amateurs have been granted access to two new bands. The first is a low-band grant from 501 to 505 kHz on a secondary basis with power and mode restrictions. And like most of the European continent they also now are permitted operations from 70 to 70.5MHz. This also on a secondary basis with restrictions on the power output level that they can run. (GB2RS)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N8LFR repeater serving Bad Aex, Michigan.

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RADIO LAW: MISSOURI EXEMPTS HAMS FROM PROPOSED CELLPHONE AND TEXTING LAW

Some good news for hams in the show me state. They won't be subject to a new law working its way through the Missouri legislature to control cellphone and texting while driving a motor vehicle. Matthew Chambers, NR0Q, is here with the details:

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If you live in Missouri you might have heard, there is a new Senate Bill, SB 567, that has been introduced by State Senator Robin Write-Jones, a Democrat-St Louis to be considered in 2012 by the Missouri Senate. There is good news though in this bill if you're a ham radio operator. The last line of the bill contains the following exemption language:

Exempt are the use of two-way radio transmitters or receivers by a licensee of the Federal Communications Commission in the Amateur Radio Service.

That means that the mobile use of amateur transceivers is for now safe in Missouri.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, This is Matthew Chambers, NR0Q. In Moberly Missouri

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>From its wording, the exemption is only for ham radio so users of F-R-S, GMRS and CB might be subject to penalties unless the regulation gets changed to exempt theses personal radio services as well. (NR0Q)

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RADIO LAW: LESS THAN ONE YEAR REMAINS FOR LAND MOBILE RADIO LICENSEES TO NARROWBAND

Land mobile radio service licensees operating in the 150 to 174 Mhz and in the 421 to 512 MHz bands now have less than a year to transition to FCC mandated narrowband operations. This as the regulatory agency issues a Public Notice reminding all licensees, frequency coordinators, equipment manufacturers, and other interested parties of the Commission's January 1, 2013 deadline to migrate to 12.5 kHz or narrower channel spacing technology.

By January 1, 2013, all VHF/UHF Industrial, Business and Public Safety Radio Pool licensees must operate on 12.5 kHz or narrower channels, or employ a technology that achieves the narrowband equivalent of at least one channel per 12.5 kHz of channel bandwidth. As of that same date equipment manufacturers will no longer be permitted to manufacture and import previously certified equipment that includes a 25 kHz channel spacing mode.

The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, and Office of Engineering and Technology have issued prior guidance by Public Notice regarding narrowbanding migration, compliance, and waiver requests. In addition, detailed information and references to other resources concerning narrowbanding are available at www.fcc.gov/narrowbanding.

We should add that the amateur 2 meter and 70 centimeter bands are not affected by this FCC mandated narrowbanding order. It only affects commercial land mobile operations.

In the world of amateur radio FM and repeaters, most regions already use 15 kHz channel separation on 2 meters. On 70 centimeters, some regions are reportedly considering a shift from 25 to 12.5 kHz in crowded urban areas. And to be different than the rest of the nation, Southern California shifted from 25 to 20 kHz inter system spacing in the 70 centimeter repeater subband several years ago. (FCC, ARNewsline(tm) archive)

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RADIO LAW: VERIZON PROCEEDS WITH SPECTRUM ACQUISITIONS

A big move by telecommunications provider Verizon to ease its own spectrum crunch. Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

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Verizon is set to invest in well over 100 licenses to operate broadband systems between 1700 MHz and 2100 MHz. This after spending $3.6 billion dollars to obtain spectrum from cable companies Comcast, Time Warner Cable and Bright House. Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details:

Verizon says that the acquisition is a positive development which would take spectrum that had been gathering dust in the cable company's inventories and put it in the hands of a company with the motivation and wherewithal to put it to good use.

Lowell McAdam is Verizon's Chief Executive Officer. He recently told the Communications Daily industry newsletter that his company feels good about the acquisition from another perspective. This is because as Verizon has discussed its acquisition of spectrum with the FCC, it has found that one of the problems was there is a lot of spectrum that has been warehoused. This says McAdam takes spectrum with no plans for commercial service and gets it into the hands of somebody who will use it and allow additional investment and development.

Im Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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Congress and the FCC are trying to push through a spectrum package involving the auction of spectrum in the television band but that has become bogged down in partisan politics. However it appears as if Verizon has taken the initiative to let the free enterprise market set the value and proceed on its own. (Future Communications)

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DIY RADIO NEWS: CQ TO INTRODUCE MAKER COLUMN

CQ magazine will introduce a quarterly "Maker" column, to be written by Matt Stultz, KB3TAN, that will appear in the March, June, September and December issues of the magazine.

KB3TAN is the founder of "HackPittsburgh. This is a community workshop for makers in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He has been a ham since 2009

and has integrated amateur radio into many of HackPittsburgh's activities.

As already reported, the hacker and maker movement is a worldwide do-it-yourself phenomenon among mostly younger, tech-savvy individuals who enjoy hands-on tinkering and experimenting with electronics, crafts and similar projects. Many "makers" are not familiar with amateur radio, even though hams have been "makers" since the dawn of radio. CQ says that the goal of this column to help build and strengthen bridges between the amateur radio and the maker communities. (CQ)

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DIY RADIO NEWS: MULTIPLE LANGUAGE VERSIONS OF THE DIY MAGIC OF AMATEUR RADIO

And speaking of the maker and hacker communities, while it's not even been out a month, there appear to be several groups that have either asked permission to translate the ARRL's new the DIY Magic of Amateur Radio video into other languages or are already undertaking such a project.

Since its release last December 27th, word is that versions with either sub titles or over-dubbed audio are being prepared by individuals or groups around the globe in the Spanish, Portugese and possibly even Russian languages. And these are the ones that are known about.

Also, Tom Medlin who hosted the December 27th release of the video on his W5KUB website has made available some statistics. These show that the new video had viewers in Canada, Venezuela, Mexico, Argentina, France, Cayman Islands, Puerto Rico and New Zealand as well as across the United States.

Those who have not yet seen the new video can do so on-line on YouTube in English at tinyurl.com/arrl-diy-movie. You can also watch it or download it at www.arrl.org/DIY. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM PUBLICATIONS: WINTER 5 MHZ NEWSLETTER NOW ON LINE

The Winter edition of the 5MHz Newsletter has just been published and includes a chart of the current 5MHz allocations worldwide. Although originating in the United Kingdom the publication invites worldwide readers and contributors to take an active part in its creation. The latest edition of the 5MHz Newsletter can be downloaded free of charge at tinyurl.com/72mozfx. (GB2RS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FORMER UK OFF SHORE DJ KNIGHTED

Some names in the news. First up is Roger James Gale, a Disk Jockey on Radio Caroline North and Caroline South in the 1960's, who has been

knighted in the United Kingdom's New Year's Honors List. Gale had a long career in radio before becoming the member of Parliament for the North of Kent. He is also the president of the group Conservative Animal Welfare. More about Roger Gale is on-line at www.rogergale.com. (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: G3KMA AND G3ZAY NAMED WINNERS OF YASME AWARD

And congratulations to Roger Ballister, G3KMA and Martin Atherton, G3ZAY on being named as recipients of the Yasme Excellence Award for 2011. This, in recognition for their dedicated work for the Islands on the Air program. The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to amateur radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of amateur radio in underdeveloped countries. (RSGB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VLA TO BE RENAMED KARL G JANSKY VLA

The world's most famous radio telescope will become the Karl G. Jansky Very Large Array on March 31st. This, to honor the founder of radio astronomy which is the study of the universe using radio signals naturally emitted by objects in space.

The National Radio Astronomy Observatory announced the new name for the National Science Foundation's Very Large Array at the American Astronomical Society's meeting in Austin, Texas. The new name will become official at a rededication ceremony at the radio telescopes site in New Mexico.

The new name was selected from among 23,331 suggestions submitted by 17,023 people from more than 65 countries. The National Radio Astronomy Observatory had asked the public and the astronomical community to suggest names that reflected both the proud heritage and the future promise of the telescope array. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/jansky-vla. (NARO)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: THE HCJB COAX CABLE MIRACLE

Word that religious broadcaster HCJB has gotten its Radio Rasuwa project on the air as of last December the 1st, but not without a little divine guidance. An HCJB article about the rural Nepal radio project noted that engineer Ty Stakes fortuitously grabbed an extra length of coaxial cable as he packed for the journey to that lonely corner of the world. And it's a good thing that he did.

It turned out to be needed because the station's studio was not where it had been planned. Once on-site, Stakes and HCJB missionary Toffer King discovered the tower was not the one they had requested. Using local talent, translations and drawings solutions were crafted. A local welder found himself quite busy and needless to say that the extra length of coax that Stakes brought with him came to good use.

HCJB's Global Technical Center in Elkhart, Indiana provided the FM transmitter. The station's coverage area is the northern border of Nepal with an estimated 14,000 people as its potential audience. This includes a large number of Tibetan refugees fleeing Chinese control of their country.

The station will air 17 hours a day, in the local language. It joins five other HCJB FMs in Nepal. Three more are expected to launch during 2012. (RW, HCJB)

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WORLDBEAT: RAC LOOKING FOR NEW DEFENSE OF AMATEUR RADIO FUND TRUSTEE

Radio Amateurs of Canada is looking for a person to fill the recently vacated position of trustee in the Canadian Defense of Amateur Radio Fund. The Defense of Amateur Radio Fund trustee must be a licensed Canadian radio amateur and may not be an officer, employee, director or agent of Radio Amateurs of Canada. The Defense of Amateur Radio Fund is a Trust Fund established in the early 1990's to provide financial support for travel expenses of an amateur radio representative on the Canadian delegation to World Radio Conferences to defend the amateur radio bands. If you fit the requirements and are interested in this position please provide your name and a brief resume of no more than 500 words by e-mail to Paul Burggraaf at Vo1prb73064 (at) rac (dot) ca. (RAC)

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WORLDBEAT: IRTS TO CELEBRATE 80TH ANNIVERSARY WITH CONTEST

The Irish Radio Transmitting Society which is Irelands national ham radio organization will be celebrating its 80th anniversary by sponsoring a worldwide contest to commemorate the event. Called CQIR, it will take place most appropriately on Saint Patrick's Day, which this year occurs on Saturday, March 17th. Full rules and information are available on-line at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir (at) irts (dot) ie. (IRTS)

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WORLDBEAT: EMI SOUNDS PAGE FROM ON4WW

ON4WW in Westham, Belgium, has created a web page with sound clips that covers the many cases of interference he's dealt with over the years. The sounds cover everything from a rain gutter noise to plasma TV interference and even L-E-D lighting. The ON4WW RFI audio page page is on-line at www.on4ww.be/emi-rfi.html (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: DUTCH ANNOUNCE FUNCUBE LAUNCH AGREEMENT

An agreement has now been reached with ISIS Launch Services BV, based in Delft in the Netherlands, for them to provide a launch of the FUNcube-1 CubeSat satellite. It is anticipated that this will be with a number of other spacecraft from a DNEPR rocket, sometime in the third quarter of 2012.

The orbit is still to be defined precisely but it is expected to be nearly circular and approximately sun synchronous. The FUNcube-1 spacecraft will transmit signals that can be easily received directly by schools and colleges for educational outreach purposes. In addition to providing these educational services for schools and colleges around the world, the spacecraft will also carry a UHF to VHF linear transponder for radio amateurs to use during local nights, weekends and during holiday periods.

The construction and testing of the spacecraft itself has already been funded via a legacy and other sources. For more information, check out www.funcube.org.uk (GB2RS)

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SPACE SCIENCE: CHINA RELEASES FIVE YEAR PLAN FOR SPACE EXPLORATION

China plans to launch orbital space laboratories and manned ships and prepare to build space stations over the next five years. This according to a plan released Thursday, December 29th that shows the country's space program is very quickly gathering momentum.

China has already said its eventual goals are to have a space station on-orbit and put an astronaut on the moon. According to news reports, that nation has made systematic progress with its ambitious human spaceflight programs, but its latest five-year plan beginning signals a major acceleration to its space exploration program.

According to the white paper setting out China's space progress and future missions, by the end of 2016 China says that it will launch space laboratories, manned spaceships and ship freighters. It will also make technological preparations for the construction of more than one space station.

China's space program has already made major breakthroughs in a relatively short time, although it lags far behind the United States and Russia in space technology and experience. More on China's plans

for its future in space is on-line at tinyurl.com/d52q2lj (Space Science)

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ON THE AIR W4NH FOURLANDERS SEEK WSJT CONTACTS IN VHF SWEEPS

The W4NH Fourlanders group will again be operating in the January VHF Sweepstakes from January 21st to the 23rd from its location near Dahlonega, Georgia. That is in grid square EM-84-ao.

According to Jim Worsham, W4KXY, the group will operate limited multi category on 6meters through 432 MHz running a full gallon into stacked beams on all four bands.

W4KXY notes that the group is looking for skeds, especially 6 and 2 meters with those operating WSJT. If you are interested in such a scheduled contact please contact Jim Worsham by e-mail to wa4kxy (at) bellsouth (dot) net. (VHF Reflector)

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DX

In DX, G3PHO will be on the air as 9H3C from Malta's Gozo Island between March 8th and the 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters and possibly 160m. Look for him to be an entry in the RGSB Commonwealth Contest. QSL via his home callsign or Logbok of the World.

JS6RRR will be operational stroke KH2 from Guam between February 10th and the 14th. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via JS6RRR.

IK2GZU will be in Tanzania to do some work at a new hospital and orphanage between March 4th and April 4th. He plans to be active during his spare time as 5H3MB on the HF bands. QSL via IK2GZU, direct or by the Bureau. Also, via Logbook of the World, but only after his return home.

IK2QPR will be active stroke PJ7 from Sint Maarten through January 16th. This operation will be holiday style on the H-F bands. QSL via IK2QPR.

IW2CXJ will be active portable YS3 from El Salvador through January 24th. His operation will also be holiday style on 40-10 meters using a Cushcraft R7 vertical and 100 watts. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or direct to IW2CXJ.

Lastly, OE3GEA will take to the airwaves stroke 6Y5 from Jamaica between February 2nd and the 12th. This will be yet another holiday style operation, mainly using CW. QSL to his home address.

And for those not familiar with the term holiday style, it basically means that the ham in question is on vacation and will get on the air anytime that he or she feels like operating, if at all.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF COUNTRY MUSIC LEGEND JOHNNY CASH

And finally this week, ham radio will help commemorate the life of a country music legend. Tim Goodrich, N5ASH, better known to radio listeners as Skeeter Nash, joins us with the details:

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Members of my club, the Northeast Arkansas Radio Club will be sponsoring the first ever Johnny Cash Birthday Celebration Special Event Station. This, on what would have been the late Country Music Hall of Fame and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame members 80th birthday.

The Johnny Cash Birthday Celebration Special Event Station will take to the air on Sunday, February 26th using the special call sign N5C. You can listen out for it beginning at 18:00 hours UTC which is noon Central U-S time. We plan to operate for a six hour period ending around 6 p.m. Central US time. .

N5C will have stations operating SSB on the 80, 40 20 and 10 meter bands. At least one of these will be located in Dyess Colony, not far from the house where the Cash family once lived.

Johnny Cash never forgot his roots here in northeast Arkansas, and we in the amateur radio community are looking forward to having the opportunity to honor one of the most recognizable figures in music history. Those making contact with N5C will receive a commemorative certificate.

>From Jonesboro, Arkansas, Im Tim Goodrich, N5ASH, a-k-a Skeeter Nash of the Northeast Arkansas Radio Club reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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More information on this celebration can be found at the Northeast Arkansas Radio Club website. It's located in cyberspace at nea-rc.org. The club also maintains a Facebook page at eww.facebook.com/nearadioclub (N5ASH)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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TREAT YOURSELF TO THE 2012 ARRL HARDCOVER HANDBOOK

The SA Amateur Radio Development Trust has the 2012 ARRL Handbook in stock. The hard cover version comes at a special price of R600 plus R50 for packing and posting. The handbook is fully updated and includes: New Test Equipment and Measurements chapter, New projects, including High-Power RF Samplers, RF Current Meter, and a Two-Tone Audio Oscillator from the ARRL Lab, Updated ElsieT filter design software, Expanded content on CD-ROM, including an operating supplement for Space Communications, Digital Communications, Image Communications and a New comprehensive treatment of Noise. More details and order forms are available on www.amateurradio.org.za.

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If you are under 26 years of age and are planning to write the May Radio Amateur class A Examination, you are invited to apply for a bursary from the SA Amateur Radio Development Trust. The bursary value is R1 000 and will pay for the exam fee, your first year license, student Membership of the SARL and tuition fees. Get details from www.amateurradio.org.za.

HOW TO MAKE LONG DISTANCE VHF CONTACTS DURING THE PEARS CONTEST

The PEARS National VHF/UHF contest starts on Friday 20th January and ends on Sunday 22nd January 2012 and is divided into two sessions. For full details and rules see the latest Blue Book. Please note that in the PEARS contest SSB and CW share the same contest frequencies. This is a wonderful opportunity to work long distances especially on 50 and 144 MHz with many VHF amateurs on frequency from other divisions. Here are some pointers.

1. Make regular short CQ calls on the contest frequencies of 50,200 MHz USB and/or 144,200 MHz USB and carefully listen for weak long distance VHF signals. When the frequency is occupied then call five to ten kilohertz higher in frequency. Do not have chats on these long distance frequencies.

2. If the SSB signals are marginal or unreadable then give a call on CW, which could result in a two-way contact. A CW signal is readily audible on Upper Sideband when it is transmitted about one kilohertz higher in frequency.

3. It is important to know when and in what direction to point your beam antenna, It is recommended that on the hour to the half hour transmit or listen in a northerly/southerly direction, and on the half hour to the hour turn the beam in an easterly/westerly direction. This way many distant contacts can be made.

4. Keep an eye on VHF beacons for band openings, such as ZS2X on 50,006 MHz, V51VHF on 50,300 MHz, ZS6JON on 50,050 MHz and ZS6TWB on 50,040

MHz.

Even if you are not interested in contests, come on the air and work some long distance VHF stations for fun, and give the VHF contestants some points. Good luck in the contest and enjoy the challenge.

NOMINATIONS FOR SARL AWARDS

Members and clubs are again invited to submit nominations to Council for the following SARL awards:

Honorary Life Membership - the SARL's highest honour.

Willie Wilson Gold Badge For the amateur that gave exceptional and meritorious service to the League.

Jack Twine Award To recognise qualities such as unselfishness, clean operating and a genuine interest in Amateur Radio and its affairs. This prestigious Award will be made to Amateurs who, in the opinion of their fellow amateurs and the League's Council, exemplify the qualities desirable in a Radio Amateur.

Arthur Hemsley 2 metre Trophy For a Radio Amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the 2 metre amateur band. This award is made for extraordinary performance on EME or modes such as tropospheric propagation. It is not for the longest distance worked but rather for persistence in achieving something special on 2 metres.

Barney Joel Trophy For any member of the SARL for the best performance during the year whilst working HF mobile. This award could be made for performance by an individual in rally or other public event communication etc.

Icom Excellence Award This award is bestowed annually on the amateur who through his/her activity in the Amateur Service has brought international recognition to South Africa by either the achievement of a VHF/UHF long distance record which is internationally recognized by the IARU, or by service to the Republic of South Africa or the SARL in the field of scientific research using the amateur spectrum, or in promoting the amateur service internationally or as Council may determine from time to time.

Joseph White Plaque For any member of the SARL for exceptional achievements in the 432 MHz band during the past year. This is not awarded for the longest distance worked, but for all round achievements.

Bert Buckley Six metre Trophy For any radio amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the six metre amateur band. This award is not for the longest distance worked but for outstanding work or activity on six metres.

Nominations can be sent by email to secretary@sarl.org.za. Please do it without further delay.

NATIONAL BAND PLANNING MEETING AT NARC

The national VHF/UHF/Microwave band planner and the repeater manager of the SARL invite all club repeater coordinators in the Gauteng area to attend a meeting at NARC on 21 January 2012 at 9:00. The focus will be around new repeater applications. Formal feedback and update session by them regarding the current state of affairs for repeaters and other VHF/UHF/Microwave matters. The updated band plans will also be discussed. Band planning correspondence may be done to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za. Specific repeater inquiries may be sent to repeaters@sarl.org.za. We look forward to hear from you!

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is expected to be at low level. Sunspot 1 393 has a "beta-gamma" magnetic field that harbours energy for M-class solar flares. For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 73.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Today 15 January - Last day for submission of summaries of proposed papers for the Radio Technology in Action Symposiums 2012 to artoday@sarl.org.za. 20-22 January - PEARS National VHF/UHF Contest. 21 January - National VHF/UHF/Microwave band planning meeting at NARC at 09:00. 31 January - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

Remember also to submit nominations for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur

frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

32. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 15th January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-15 21:00:18 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120115210003.3480233C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3849
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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IRTS AGM & Rally 2012

The IRTS AGM, Annual Dinner and Rally this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society at the Fairways Hotel on the weekend of April 21st & 22nd 2012. Please keep your diaries free for this special event in our 80th Anniversary year celebrations. More details to follow.

IRTS Request for Return of Trophies

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2011 IRTS, AGM in Limerick.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday 12th February. or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2012.

This will allow for engraving to be done and allow for repairs if necessary.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX at ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/net

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Nominations For Awards for IRTS Trophies.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for, 1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2 Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Jim EI4HH, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/ net

Closing date for nominations is 29th February 2012.

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary this year 2012. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at /irts / dot/ie

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New VHF - UHF Band Plan

Band Plans for amateur radio frequencies are revised from time to time following international consultations with users and special interest groups. The new Region 1 Band Plan for VHF and UHF frequencies came into effect on 1st January this year. The biggest changes are in the 6 metre band - with new beacon sub-bands and a number of new "centre of activity" frequency allocations. The revision in the 6 metre band plan is designed to give more bandwidth to CW and SSB users, while recognising increased activity levels in the new digital modes.

The revised Band Plan for the 6 metre, 4 metre, 2 metre and 70cms bands can be downloaded from the downloads page of the IRTS web site. Bear in mind that the 4 metre allocation in EI does not cover the full extent of the 70.0 MHz to 70.5 MHz band plan contained in the IARU document; a note showing the EI allocation has been added to the document which is on our downloads page.

Those operating on frequencies above 70cms can see the relevant band plans in the VHF Managers Handbook, which is available on the IARU Region 1 web site. Again, it is important to note the EI frequency allocations, which can differ from the limits shown on the band plan pages.

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group (SEARG)

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group's APRS node and weather station is back up and running having been off-air for a time due to sensor problems. It is now located at the Waterford City River Rescue HQ which is on the river Suir in Waterford City. The output from it can be viewed on www.aprs.fi, callsign is EI2WCP-2. Data (including graphs) are also available on the clubs web site at www.searg.com/weather.php. The club would like to thank Waterford City River Rescue for hosting the equipment.

The next meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 30th of January at 8:30 p.m. in the Roanmore GAA centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford and all are welcome to attend. The meeting will be preceeded by a committee meeting at 8:00 p.m., committee members are asked to attend.

For latest news from the group, visit www.searg.com and you can also follow South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on Facebook and Twitter.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin radio club has returned after the X-mas break and there will be a number of talks in January

On the 17th January Joe EI7GY will give a talk on "The competitive side of Amateur Radio, including the DXCC programme and contesting"

Two weeks later on Tuesday the 31st January Colin McKeeman will give a talk on aeronautical radio communications on the North Atlantic and Shanwick

Visitors as always are welcome

Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

As promised in previous issues the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club can confirm the activation of the club callsign MN0VFW in support of the charitable RNLI SOS Week. The Club should be active on the HF bands between 11.00 and 16.00hrs GMT on Saturday 21st and between 10.00 and 15.00hrs GMT on Sunday 22nd January 2012. Thanks to the kind permission of Nigel Sands, 2i0 GLY, the Club will be operating from the shores of Lough Neagh at 'Sands Marine and Leisure', Kinnego Marina, Oxford Island, Lurgan, Northern Ireland, BT66 6NJ. As with all Mid Ulster events visitors are more than welcome to call in person and experience some of the Club's legendary hospitality.

The Club will also be holding an informal radio, computer and electronics 'bring and buy sale/coffee morning' on Saturday 4th February 2012 at Drumgor Resource Centre, Drumgor Road, Craigavon, BT65 5DL. Doors open at 11.00hrs, closing again at 14.30hrs. This is the ideal opportunity for individuals to offer for sale those items that have been cluttering the shack, piling up on the computer desk and filling the junk box. Floor space is available to members and non-members alike. Contact Brian Mi0TGO at muarc.secretary /at/ yahoo.co.uk for further details.

Please refer to our website at www.muarc.com for lots more Club and amateur radio information.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be holding its AGM on the 27 January 2012 at 8.30pm in Hannons Hotel Roscommon. All members are requested to attend and all newcomers are welcome to attend. For more info please see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com.

Limerick Radio Club

The Annual General Meeting of Limerick Radio Club will be hold on Wednesday 8 February 2012 in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm and all paid up members are requested to attend.

Rally: Limerick Radio Club rally will be held on Sunday March 11 2012 at the Radisson Blue Hotel on the Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11am and all the usual traders will attend. Bring and Buy tables can be ordered from Dermot Gleeson EI2GT.

Fermanagh Amateur Radio Lunch

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club members gather for their annual winter lunch today, Sunday 15 January, at the Hunting Lodge, Irvinestown, in North Fermanagh. This happy family affair includes wives and children - there are two infant high chairs ordered. Chat on the year past will feature the Club station's award in June's 80 metre contest and Jamie 2i0MFB's award in the summer 2 metre contest. Jamie is 18 this month. Bob Mi6RAX also has a big birthday soon, his 80th. This year's big event is the thirty-first Lough Erne Rally at the SHARE Centre, in south Fermanagh, on Sunday 1 April - a date that is very easy to remember.

DX News

Serge UV5EVJ who was active as 5X1VJ from Uganda last year is now due to start a four month stay with the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Katanga in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. At the time of writing his callsign was not known but look out for him with a 9Q call until early May.

An unusual prefix is on the air for all of 2012 from the Philippines. To celebrate their 50th Anniversary the Philippine Amateur Radio League will use the call 4G0LD. QSLs go via the DU bureau.

A multi-national team will operate from the Pacific island of Pitcairn from 20 January until 4 February. They will use the callsign VP6T. QSL Manager is G3TXF. Pitcairn Island is famous as the home of the descendants of the Bounty mutineers. One of these is Tom Christian who was active as VP6TC.

'Practical Wireless' is celebrating its 80th year of publication this year and the Editor Rob Mannion G3XFD/EI5IW will operate the special

call GB80PW on publication day each month. Look for the call on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Six operators from Holland/Belgium will activate the call TN2T from the Congo from 22-31 January. They hope to have three stations on 160 - 10m on SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL Manager is M0URX.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

33. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-15 22:44:31 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <953637.7043.qm@smtp102.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3850
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, K6VVA, KH6BZF, N7OU, N7UN, NN7A, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX (60m News), W9OL, 5Q2J, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HA0HW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I1RBJ, LU1FAM, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, PS7AB, RSGB IOTA Web Site, SM3CVM, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal, YT3W and ZS2DL for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-January, through Sunday, 15th-January there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/m, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2C, CONWAY REEF. Operators Hrane/YT1AD (Team leader), David/K3LP (Technical Co-leader), Aleksey/UA4HOX (Organization Co-leader), Paul/N6PSE (PR), Atilano/PY5EG, Vasily/RW4NW, David/WD5COV, Carlos/EA1IR, Joe/AA4NN, David/AH6HY, Alan/AD6E, Gabriele/I2VGW and Alan/K6SRZ (Medical Doctor) and possibly two others (spots are open!) will be active as 3D2C

from Conway Reef (OC-112) between September 25th and October 6th. Most of these operators were active from Rotuma as 3D2R last year. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1822, 3503, 7005, 10105, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 1835, 3795, 5403.5, 7082, 14190, 18150, 21295, 24950 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 1835, 3582, 7035, 10145, 14081, 18100, 21081, 24920 and 28081 kHz
SSTV - 3723, 7035, 14230, 21335 and 28680 kHz
PSK31 - 1835, 3582, 7035, 10145, 14081, 18100, 21081, 24920 and 28081 kHz

The 3D2C team will be active from Conway Reef on 2m and 6 EME using WSJT65 (A,B,C) on 50.375 MHz and 144.375 MHz. A 6 meter beacon will be active on 50.095 MHz. QSL via YT1AD, direct (w/SAE or SASE + 1 USD for normal postage, 2 USDs for Airmail) or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit the 3D2C Web page at:
http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 27-29th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. Vlad, UA4WHX, is once again on the move and is currently active as 4W0VB from Timor-Leste (OC-148). His length of stay is not known as of press time. Activity has been mainly CW on 40/30/20/17/12 meters. QSL via UA4WHX.

7P8, LESOTHO. Donovan, ZS2DL, will lead a team of operators to Lesotho between November 9-19th. The team of 8 operators will be active on 80-10 meters focusing mainly on CW and RTTY with possibly some SSB. A callsign has not yet been assigned (currently awaiting official papers from the Lesotho Communications Authority - possibly 7P8D). Donovan is looking for operators and sponsors. QSL direct via: LESOTHO DXPEDITION 2012, P.O. Box 29169, Sunridge Park, 6008, SOUTH AFRICA (w/2 USDs - Please no IRC as it is difficult to convert at the post office). A OQRS system (PayPal) will also be implemented just before the expedition. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within 12 months after the DXpedition has ended. For more details, visit: http://www.zs2dl.co.za
--or--
http://www.zs2dl.co.za/7P8D.html

8Q, MALDIVES (Date Change). Operators Bert/CX3AN and Mario/CX4CR will be active as 8Q7HU from Maafushi Island, Kaafu Atoll (AS-013), between February 6-15th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. There will be a special emphasis on South America.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA (Special Event). Neoh, 9M2CLN, station master for the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS), announced that the special event callsign, 9M4CNY, will be active to celebrate the "Chinese New Year Cultural And Heritage Celebration 2012" from Penang Island (AS-015) on January 29th, between 0700-1600z. Suggested frequency are

14288 kHz and 7088 kHz, SSB only. QSL only direct to address on QRZ.com.

A5, BHUTAN. Iain, G4SGX, will be active as A52JF from Bhutan between February 11-15th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and JT65. He will use K3 radio. QSL via his home callsign. For updates, watch Iain's Blog page at: http://www.g4sgx.org/blog

C5, GAMBIA. Alan, G3XAQ, will be active as C56XA from The Gambia between February 27th and March 15th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW. Also, look for Alan to participation in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (March 10-11th). QSL via G3SWH.

CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Julius, OM7JG, will once again be active from Madeira Island (AF-014) as CT9/OM7JG during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via OM7JG.

CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Tibor, OM3RM, will be active as CR3A during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via CT3EE. Look for him before the contest as CT9/OM3RM.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). From the <http://www.cy0dxpedition.com> Web page dated January 14th: "We are in the process of rescheduling the CY0 operation. Our business schedules will dictate, in part, when we can make another attempt. The goal is to select a time after the winter weather conditions to increase the certainty next time of being able to travel to Sable Island without delay from a winter storm. Once a date as been confirmed with the Sable Island station, we plan to recruit a CW operator, with DXpedition or contest experience, to 'round out' the team. With improving propagation conditions, the band conditions will provide more opportunity than two operators can satisfy. The plan is for:
1st Operator - WA4DAN - 70% SSB, 30% CW
2nd Operator - AA4VK - 100% SSB
3rd Operator - ?????? - 70% CW, 30% SSB
Continue to check the CY0dxpedition Web site and the various DX bulletins for updates."

DAYTON HAMVENTION (Press Release - SWODXA DX Dinner). Joe, W8GEX, reports:
"The SOUTHWEST OHIO DX Association (SWODXA) is pleased to announce that we will again sponsor the DX Dinner &#65533;, held in conjunction with the 2012 Dayton Hamvention&#65533;. This, our 27th annual dinner, will be on Friday, May 18,
2012. The dinner will again be at the Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409.
There will be a cash bar starting at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7:00. Following the meal, there will be a separate room and cash bar available for more fellowship. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new hams, and renew old acquaintances, as well as learn about past DXpeditions and those in the planning stages.
We were pleased with our new venue at the Marriott last year. The dining room is on the ground floor so there are no steps, there is a larger capacity, and there is ample free, on-site parking.

This dinner is always well attended by some of the most avid DXers in the world. As in the past, there will be some major door prizes, and there is always great anticipation as to who will be named the 'DXpedition of the Year'.
The Marriott is a large hotel with many room choices. Should you need accommodations, their Web site is <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/dayoh-dayton-marriott> and their phone number is 937 223-1000.
Details and dinner reservation information can be found on the SWODXA Web site, at <www.swodxa.org>. From there, click on the DX Dinner icon. You can print the reservation form and submit it with your personal check or money order. And as an alternative, we are happy to announce that this year we are also accepting PayPal and credit card payments.
Program details and a list of the prizes will be on the Web site as they become available. Check out our Facebook page at 'Southwest Ohio DX Association', or follow us on Twitter @SWODXA"

FR, REUNION. Pierre, F8APV, will be active as FR/F8APV from Reunion Island (AF-016) between January 22nd and February 10th. Activity will take place everyday between 0100-0400z on 40/30 meters CW, and then between 1700-1900z on 20 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

FS, SAINT MARTIN (Also PJ7). Benoit, F8PDR, will be active as FS/F8PDR from Saint Martin (NA-105, WLOTA 383, DIFO FS-001) between February 5-16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW and RTTY, with 100 watts into a dipole and vertical antennas. He is also planning a side trip to Sint Maarten (PJ7). QSL via F8DPR, direct or by the Bureau and also LoTW.

HK0NA DXPEDITION (Latest News Dated January 12th). The following press release is from the HK0NA Web page [edited]: "The 'Fabulous Four' (Faber/ HK6F, Jim/HK1N, Bolmar/HK1MW and Salim/HK1T) advance team continue their work of building the infrastructure for HK0NA with emphasis shifting now to OP. A (top of the mountain). And ..in their spare time making some QSOs with the deserving.
Of course, we are hearing from a small minority that they are doing everything wrong and not listening here or there or whatever. May we suggest to you and everyone be patient, and remember that 16 more operators will be there the morning of the 21st for up to 17 days.
Yesterday the DXCC desk confirmed that QSOs made by the advance team, when they used their individual calls, will count for DXCC purposes. Those logs will not be available until after the DXpedition concludes. May we suggest that you work HK0NA also.
We intend to upload the HK0NA logs to ClubLog soon after the arrival of the main operating team. Don't bother checking the 'Log Online' until then.
Lastly, our volunteer pilots kindly request that you not contact them until after the main operation begins! .... Thanks to all!"
ADDED NOTE: Some pictures are now available and can be viewed on the HK0NA Web page under "Camp Setup". For more details and updates, visit: http://hk0na.com

LATEST MINUTE UPDATE: The HK0NA Web page is reporting: "For the last couple of nights there have been many bogus HK0NA spots on the clusters. While there is a limited operation by the advance crew, and thus some of the spots are valid, one or more 'slims' are apparently calling CQ using the HK0NA call." Read the whole press release on the Web page for more details under "Latest News".

IOTA DXPEDITION (NA-172/NA-050/NA-004). Rick, K6VVA, informs OPDX [edited]: "After completing NA-242 last July with Mike, K9AJ, 2012 is the year to now wrap up a 'Clean Sweep' of the KL7 North Slope IOTA #'s. Plans are to start with NA-172 left over from last year partly due to area fog problems. Mike may also join me for the other two. I hope to finalize NA-004 approval soon. Several other KL7 IOTA trips are also in the planning stages, and Mike (and I) still have NA-240 targeted for June 28-30th, 2012." Stay tuned for more details on the "KL7 North Slope IOTA EXTRAVAGANZA!!", by watching the Web page at:
http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na172
Also, check TWITTER at: http://www.twitter.com/k6vva
QSL "ONLY" via N6AWD (direct or by the Bureau). Rick states, "If I/we respond to a callsign or partial callsign that is NOT even close to yours, please QRX and do NOT call. Really. Seriously. And please, NO 'SAME BAND/MODE DUPES'!!!"

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-059. Operators Allan/GM3OZB, Barry/GM3YEH, Bill/GM3ZRT, John/GM0DJG, Gordon/MM0BIM and Declan/EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Island between May 16-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via GM7WCO.

NA-085. Dennis, WA2USA, is to be active as WA2USA/4 from St. George Island (USI FL007S, Franklin County, Fl) between February 1-27th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via WA2USA, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see Dennis's Web site at: http://www.wa2usa.com

SA-018. (UPDATE) Operators Roberto/CE3CT (ex-CE4CT), Pedro/CE3FZ and Luc/LU1FAM will be active as 3G7C from Chilo&#65533; Islands between April 15-18th. Activity will be focused on 30 meters and the low bands. They will have 2 stations active on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via: PO BOX 3159, SANTIAGO DE CHILE, CHILE. They are looking for funds and support would be appreciated, please contact: lu1fam@yahoo.com
For updates and operating frequencies, visit:
http://3g7c.blogspot.es

SA-030. Look for a Uruguayan team to activate Flores Island as CV5A during March. QSL via CX2ABC. No other details were provided.

J3, GRENADA. Once again, members of the "Buddies in the Caribbean" 2012 (Team #1) will mount a mini-DXpedition to Grenada (NA-024) between February 1-9th. The Buddipole team, which specializes in 100 watts or less low power

radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems, will have fixed operations from a cliff-top villa and portable operations from various points on the island using CW, SSB, and the Digital modes, on 160-10 meters. The team consists of the following operators: Budd/W3FF, Mike KC4VG, Chris/W6HFP, Guy/N7UN, Bill/W7ZT, Weymouth/K8EAB, Paul/KB9AVO and Steve/WG0AT. Licensing is not yet complete, but each operator is expected to receive their J3/callsign. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to operator's home callsign (SASE required).

J3, GRENADA. Roy, KE4TG, will once again be active as J38RF between February 8th and March 8th. His primary interest is the Digital modes using a K-3 with a G5RV and phased vertical antennas. There may be some CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

J3, GRENADA. Harry, AC8G, will once again be active as J37K between March 1-5th. Activity will include the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL to AC8G, stateside direct with SASE. For others sending by the Bureau, please clearly mark for QSLs to go to AC8G. Also via LoTW (a week or so after the contest).

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

JW, SVALBARD. Torkel, LA6VJA, will once again be active as JW6VJA from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) for only 24 hours on February 11th. Activity will probably be on the low bands as it will be in the dark hours around the clock. QSL via LA6VJA, direct or by the Bureau. Also, he will upload his log to LoTW. For more details, visit: http://www.bitwrap.no/web/index.php?id=

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 16-22nd)....

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SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K= 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K= 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K= 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K= 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.wix.com/n2tta1/kp2mm

P4, ARUBA. Helmut, DF7ZS, will be active from Aruba (SA-036) possibly as P40S from P40V's QTH between March 21-27th. Activity will include the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). QSL via DF7ZS.

PACIFIC TOUR (Changes To The HA Operation). Laci, HA0HW, received the following press release from Pista, HA5AO [edited]: "HA South Pacific Tour 2012 - Press Release II - (For immediate release) -- We had two focuses on our announced January/February 2012 South Pacific DX Tour: T2 and T30 with possible operation from T33. We are regret to advise that we had to cancel the operation from T2 and T30. That was the bad news. The good one is that our new target is C2, Nauru.

The reasons of these very last minute changes, which are out of our control, are as follows:
1) We had to cancel the T30 as the flights from Fiji to Tarawa have been suspended since 12 September 2011, due to the air traffic dispute between Kiribati and Fiji. There is high risk to extend the flight disruption for an even longer period. After the consultation with the airlines and our consulate in Canberra, we were advised that 'there is high risk of not getting to Tarawa or not being able to leave Tarawa for a long, undefined period of time. This situation does not affect the flights to Tuvalu and Nauru.' We were waiting until the very last minute hoping that the air traffic dispute between Fiji-Tarawa-Fiji will be solved, but the flights have not been restarted, yet.

2) The Tuvalu government declared a nation-wide state of emergency on 28 September 2011 due to critical shortages of drinking water. The state of emergency was declared after existing desalination plants broke, exacerbating an already dire situation. The water crisis is still serious on two of the worse affected islands, the capital island of Funafuti and Nukulaelae. The airlines still do not accept excess baggage at all, including hand luggages, because of the loads of drinking water containers by Red Cross. We could only check in less than a third of our technical stuff, resulting in significant and unreasonable limitation of the station set up. Due to this restriction we decided to cancel the T2HA Tuvalu operation, as well.

3) Due to the above detailed situation, we decided to change the target of our DXpedition to C2, Nauru. Operation is planned between 10th January and 6th February 2012 as C21HA with two stations on all HF bands. Log search and further info: http://ha5ao.novolab.hu

It was the first time that we asked support and received contributions from DX Foundations, DX Organizations and individuals. We appreciate these supports very much. However, we will contact all organizations and individuals who supported us, and will pay the donations back if these changes would make them disappointed, despite the fact that Nauru is much better ranked on the most wanted DXCC list.....
73' Pista, HA5AO and George, HA5UK"

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 15th)

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3Z20WOS via SP5YOW DL/MD0VMD via MD0VMD OD5PY via KU9C
4L4ZA via DJ1CW DL50LINDAU via DL1CBQ PJ4C via F9IE
4W0VB via UA4WHX DQ775BLN via DL7PI TI2/AA8VL via AA8VL (*)
9A201A via 9A1A ED7IVN via EA7IVN UA1ZEY/MM via RW6HS (d)
9A205K via 9A5K EK6TA via DJ0MCZ (d) V5/DJ5AO via DJ5AO
9G1YK via PA3ERA FJ/SN2012WW via SP9KRT V47GIW via W4GIW (L)
A65BP via UA6MF HK1T via EA5KB VE2CSI via M0URX
DB50EFA via DL8DWL KT3Q/6 via DF8DX ZF2ZE via NE8Z

(b) - Bureau only (L) - LoTW only
(d) - Direct only (*) - TI address and eQSL

EK6LP ON LOTW. Peter, G3ZSS, reports: "If anyone needs a QSO confirmed
on LoTW with EK6LP, then the secret is to send an E-mail to RN4LP with
the QSO details. My QSOs were then quickly confirmed on LoTW (within
1 hour!). I wonder why he just does not post the whole log on LoTW,
and only responds to individual requests???"
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PLEASE HAVE PATIENCE.....
* JX5O QSLS. Stan, SQ8X, reported this past week about the delay of the JX5O QSL cards. He states, "In August 2011 I had been diagnosed a serious illness that put my life all upside-down. I really stopped counting how many times I've been to a hospital or clinic since then. I also had to put all things like my job, not to mention • hobbies • totally aside for a long while. Finally, after many months, I start to recover and feel slightly better and also finally got sometime to take care of things that really bother me because of the delay. One of them is JX5O QSL management, which I declare I'm still in charge of. I know that many DXers who worked us at Jan Mayen are really anxious about receiving the confirmation from JX5O. Unfortunately, the reason of the delay has been really serious. And the only thing I ask for now is a little bit more patience. All OQRS requests and direct requests are secured and there is no need to re-send them or to worry that your card has been lost." To read Stan's full press press release, go to: http://janmayen2011.org/jx5o-important-update

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* Paul, I1RBJ, informs OPDX readers [edited]: "I left France last
November to recover in hospital in Italy for a very aggressive cancer.
I went twice under surgery and I survived although I am now almost an
invalid, but I thank God I'm still with Caterina, Sara, Luca and my old
parents. It's a very hard to accept for a man like me always around but
it's life and I must accept it.. I'll again be QRT for a long while for
I must undergo chemio and radio therapies. All QSLs must go now to my
Italian address (see QRZ) I'll do my best to send them quickly with
the help of my father I1RB. All the best to my fellow DXers, hope to
see you all again before too long.....Paul rbj"

** OPDX and its readers hope for a quick recovery for both Stan/SQ8X
and Paul/I1RBJ.
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QSL STATUS ON E51MAN AND E51NOU. Bill, N7OU, reports: "The logs for E51MAN and E51NOU have been uploaded to LoTW. If you think there's an error, notify me by E-mail and I'll look into it. QSL cards for both callsigns are beginning to go out, but it may be 6-8 weeks before I'm caught up."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4AIF, AL9A, DP1POL, EI6IL, EI7M, FG5LA, HG6N, IO5O, IR1A, JA0FVU, JA1VND, OA1F, P49X, PA30BR, PY5ZD, S58N, SP3DOI, TO5G, VA7AM, VE5UA, XE2B, XU7ACY, ZK2V and ZS2EZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 4L1MA, 5N7Q, 5Z4HW, 6Y3M, 7P8BA, 7Q7GM, 9G5MP, 9M6XRO, A25FC, A52VM, E51MAN, E51NOU, EL2LF, EL2WS, EX8MLE, FP/KV1J, HB9EHJ, HK4CZE, HR9/AI5P, J79WE, JW5AJA, MU/PA9M, PJ7NK, S9SS, TU2T, TY1KS, UA0MF, YJ0VK, YN2CC, ZD8ZZ, ZF2AH, ZK2V and ZS6EZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SI9, SWEDEN (Special Event). Special event station SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in the world outside Thailand, will be active once again between January 25-30th. Operators will be Raf/ON5RZ, Dirk/ON7DS and Fons/ON4AWT. The trio plan to be an entry in the UBA DX Contest (January 28-29th). Outside of the contest, activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and FM. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
FM - 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49 - 145.612.
QSL via SM3CVM, direct or by the Bureau. For more information, visit the SI9AM Web page at: http://www.si9am.se

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update). J&#65533;rgen "Joe", 5Q2J/OZ2JBC, informs OPDX that he will be active as T6JP possibly late February. Joe is an electronic mechanic in the Danish Army. Activity will be on 160-10 meters depending on the conditions, mostly on RTTY, PSK and SSB with a Yaesu FT-857D (100W). QSL via 5Q2J. More details will be forthcoming.

TC2012, TURKEY (Special Event). Members of the Special Wireless Activity Team (TCSWAT) and the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club (GITRAD), in collaboration with Turkish Society of Nephrology-Istanbul Branch, will be on the air as TC2012WKD on March 8th. Activity is taking place on "World Kidney Day" to raise awareness of the importance of our kidneys to our overall health, and to reduce the frequency and impact of kidney disease and its associated health problems worldwide. Operations will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, BPSK31 and SSTV. Stations making contacts on three or more bands or modes will receive a special award via E-mail. QSL via the TA Incoming QSL Bureau or via TCSWAT. Details about "World Kidney Day" is available at: http://www.worldkidneyday.org

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as Single-Op/Single-Band entry. QSL via LX1NO.

TM70, FRANCE (Special Event). Members of the French Army ARC will be active and using the special callsign TM70TRS during the major domestic

and international contests throughout the year 2012. Activity is to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the French Army Signal Corps. Look for operations to also take place during French Army activities (like open doors and other meetings) and during the French "Coupe du REF" contests (both CW and SSB parts) on the last weekends of January and February. QSL via F6KHX.

V3, BELIZE. Art, NN7A, will once again be active as V31JZ/p, but this time from South Water Caye (NA-180) between January 27th and February 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters including the WARC bands and mostly CW using only 100 watts and wire antennas. There may be some SSB on the 20/15m IOTA frequencies, and if condition permit. Art will also be an entry in the CQ 160m Contest (January 27-29th). There will be no online log or skeds. QSL via NN7A, by the QSL Bureau or direct to: Art Phillips, P.O. Box 73, Eckert, CO 81418 USA. DO NOT QSL via the Belize QSL Bureau because there is no active V3 Bureau.

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND (VK0TH QRT??). It seems Trevor, VK0TH, has had enough with the bad behavior during the pile-ups. Trevor, who is expected to stay on Macquarie until the end of April, states the following on QRZ.com (January 14th): "VK0TH QRT - Operator behavior has become a problem JA stations and EU stations that constantly call over other stations, don't hear or jam have turned a fun hobby into a stressful environment. I worked over 200 JA stations today (13/14 January) and when sending NO JA in the call it all got very ugly. I will be QRT for the next few days while I reevaluate how much radio I will continue doing while on Macquarie Island and how it is done. My apologies to those that wanted VK0/M, I can't see this behaviour changing, and I'm not willing to spend my free time doing something that is no longer fun. My apologies. Trevor."
LAST MINUTE UPDATE (From QRZ.com, January 15th): Trevor, VK0TH, writes, "Change to Operations - The vast majority of operators are excellent communicators, patient and polite however the minority have made operations over the last week almost impossible. The number of contacts made this week is less than half of last week due to QRM.
Effective immediately - No longer will I list real time frequency information on my QRZ.com page, and I will no longer self spot on the cluster when I have limited time available. I will make a habit of 'dropping' into nets and conversations more often and will QSY when operations become difficult. Again my apologies, I thought I could work through these huge pileups and bring order to the chaos. Those that haven't been involved in these sorts of pileups have all the solutions, splits, work by numbers and can't understand what is so difficult. I will post some audio samples of SSB and CW pileups and perhaps that will give you some idea."

VP2, MONTSERRAT. Operators Norbert/DL2RNS, Olaf/DL7JOM and Rudi/DM2XO will be active as VP2MSN, VP2MOM and VP2MXO, respectively, from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) between February 27th and March 10th. Activity will probably be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Bill/N7OU, Bob/W7YAQ, Alan/K7AR and Rocky/NE7D will be active as VP5OU during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-Sinlge/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or via N7OU. The group will be on the island between February 15-22nd. Outside of the contest, they will be signing VP5/homecalls, operating on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISLAND (Reminder/Update). Just a reminder that the VP6T Dxpedition from Pitcairn Island (OC-044, CQ Zone 32) between January 20th and February 4th. This past week, the VP6T Web page reported on January 11th [edited]: "Since we got many requests asking for 6m operations, EME, SSTV, 60m, etc .. we would like to clarify the following:
We are a small team of 5 operators, and we were very limited in baggage weight and size, mainly on the Air Tahiti domestic flight. So we had to make choices. While most of us are 6m operators, we had decided to not spend much of our precious time and effort on this band.
No antenna will be taken for 6m, as well as no time slot is booked for 6m in our operation schedule (it will already be very hard to keep 3 HF stations running 24/7 with 5 operators).
On the other side, we are aware there is potentially an old 5 element Yagi 6m antenna (left by OH2BR probably). If time permits, we will try to locate it and if it is still in good shape after 12 years spent on the island, then we may install it and make some tests on 6m, using conventional modes (CW and/or SSB). In that case, it will be announced on this web site, or on air by the HF operators.
So to summarize, 6m operation from Pitcairn has not been on our agenda since the early planning stage, as well as all others bands/modes that are not specified on this web site. Thank you for your understanding."
The QSL Manager is Nigel, G3TXF. In addition to the usual routes (Direct QSLing, QSLing via the Bureau and E-mail requests for Bureau cards to "QSL at G3TXF dot com"), they will also be using the new "Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) provided by ClubLog." For more details and the suggested frequencies, visit the VP6T Web site at: http://www.vp6t.org

XP2, GREENLAND. Henning, OZ1BII, will be active as XP2I from OX3KQ's QTH in Kangerlussuaq between February 24-29th. Activity will be on the "useable" HF bands mainly on CW. QSL via OZ1BII.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Daryl, W7TAE, will be active as ZF2TE from Grand Cayman Islands (NA-016) between January 22-27th. Activity will be on 20-6 meters using mainly SSB with some CW. Operations will take place during his early mornings and afternoon hours. He will operate with 100 watts into a 1/2 wave vertical antenna. Daryl will also be active in the ARRL VHF Contest, 6 meters only on Sunday the 22nd. QSL via his home callsign.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators Paul/W3GQ and Paul/W3HGT will be active as ZF2GQ and ZF2GT, respectively, from Grand Cayman (NA-016) between February 4-11th. QSL via their home callsigns. Both W3GQ and W3HGT state, "Log will be uploaded to LoTW upon return to USA. Direct QSL requests should include SASE and sufficient postage. Bureau card requests will be sent at no charge. eQSL by request only."

ZY78, BRAZIL (Special Event). On February 2nd, the Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de R�dio Emiss�o-LABRE (Brazilian Amateur Radio League) will be celebrating their 78th anniversary. In commemoration of the event, look for special operations to take place between February 1-5th, on all bands and modes. Also, look for the National LABRE station to be active using the special callsign ZY78AA during and throughout the month of February. All QSOs will be confirmed with a beautiful commemorative QSL card. To receive directly (by mail), send a SAE + IRC or 2 USDs. QSL to all LABRE callsigns via PT2AA.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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34. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 15th January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 15th January 2012

The news headlines:

* RSGB representation at World Radiocommunication Conference

* SOS Radio Week coming up

* KA1GMN gets special spread spectrum licence

RSGB Past President Colin, G3PSM will be attending the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 from 23 January to 17 February as part of the IARU Region 1 team. He will be posting up-to-the-minute news on the RSGB website. More information is at www.rsgb.org/WRC-12-news.

SOS Radio Week starts at 0000 on Saturday 21 January and concludes nine days later at 2359 on Sunday 29 January. It is a sponsored operating event, where registered stations operate for as much time as they can spare, making as many contacts as they can. All sponsorship money raised is donated to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. Over the last two years the event has proven very popular and raised in excess of £6,500. This year looks like being another bumper year, with over 35 stations registered. Many of these are special event stations operating on specific days during the event from lifeboat stations around the country, but there are also several individual stations that will be operating all week from home and various other locations. Visit www.sosradioweek.org.uk for a list of participating stations and a registration form, if you would like to take part yourself, as it's not too late to register.

The American FCC has granted KA1GMN a Special Temporary Authority to conduct spread spectrum experiments on 2 to 160m. The 6 month authorisation starts on 1 February and expires on 31 July. It limits KA1GMN to a maximum 2.5kHz of signal bandwidths at 100 watts effective radiated power.

The popular Wainwrights on the Air scheme has been improved to make it easier to get involved. The Wainwrights are the 214 Lake District mountains described by Alfred Wainwright in his seven iconic guides. The WOTA scheme, which runs continuously, involves making contacts from and to the Lake District summits as an Activator or Chaser. The scheme now covers Wainwright's additional 116 Outlying Fells. Ascending the smaller Outlying Fells generally entails relatively easier hiking,

offering visiting amateurs a simple way to sample the scheme as Activators. 2m FM handheld equipment is most commonly used and a standard rubber duck antenna usually enables a number of contacts to be made from the summits. Using vertical and beam types will naturally increase success. More Chasers will also be welcomed, fixed, mobile or operating portable themselves. Information is available at the scheme website, www.wota.org.uk.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Red Rose Winter Rally takes place today, 15 January, at George H Carnall Leisure Centre, Kingsway Park, M41 7FJ. The venue is easily accessible from Junction 9 of the M60, opposite the Trafford Centre. Doors open at 11am. There is free car parking, traders, a Bring & Buy, special interest groups and an RSGB bookstall. Details from Steve, on 07502 295 141.

Also today, 15 January, the Dover Amateur Radio Club Rally takes place at Whitfield Village Hall, Dover CT16 3LY. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. The next rally we have details for takes place on 29 January. The Horncastle Winter Rally will be held in the Horncastle Youth Centre, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50. Details from Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527 835.

Advance notice now that the Spring Kempton Rally has moved to 22 April to avoid a clash with the Blackpool Rally. Details are at www.radiofairs.org.uk.

Now for the news of special events

Orkney Amateur Radio Club is supporting SOS Radio Week from 21 to 29 January. There will be a special event station at or near each of the Islands' three lifeboat stations. GB1OL will be in Stromness; GB2OL will in Longhope, based at the old lifeboat station; and GB4OL will be at Kirkwall Bay. QSLs should be sent direct with the information on the website, http://eu009.webplus.net/gb1ol.html. The stations will be active on most bands, mainly at the weekends, and will concentrate on 80, 40 and 20m.

Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be putting the club callsign, MN0VFW, on the air in support of SOS Radio Week. The station should be active on the HF bands between 1100 and 1600 GMT on Saturday 21 January and between 1000 and 150 GMT on Sunday 22 January. Thanks to the kind permission of Nigel Sands, 2I0GLY, the club will be operating from the shores of Lough Neagh at Sands Marine and Leisure at Kinnego Marina in Lurgan. As with all Mid Ulster events, visitors are more than welcome to call in person and experience some of the club's legendary hospitality.

The Philippine Amateur Radio League is celebrating its golden anniversary this year. To commemorate this milestone, a commemorative diploma can be obtained by establishing 2-way QSOs with its members. The rules to qualify for the award and sample diploma can be viewed at

www.dx1l.dxhams.net/Awards.htm. They will also be putting a special event callsign, 4G0LD, on air throughout the year.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Mike, VE2XB will be on the air from the island of Dominica in the Caribbean from now until the end of January. He will use the callsign J79XB.

The Pacific island of Tuvalu will be activated by two Hungarian operators, HA5AO and HA5UK, from 12 to 26 January. The call to be used is T2HA.

Francis, F6BLP will be active again as 6W7SK from Senegal from 20 January to 3 February. He plans to focus on the low bands and CW. QSL via F6BLP.

Six operators will be active as TN2T from Congo from 22 to 31 January. They will have three stations active on 10 to 160 metres SSB, CW and RTTY, with a focus on 160 and 80m. Further information can be found at www.tn2t.be. QSL via M0URX, preferably via the OQRS facility on his website, http://m0urx.com/oqrs for either direct and bureau requests.

Now the contest news

Today, Sunday 15th, the Super League series continues with 80m CW Affiliated Societies Contests taking place from 1400 to 1800UTC. Using CW only, the exchange is signal report and serial number. It is followed six days later, on the 21st, by the 80m SSB AFS, also a Super League event. Taking place from 1400 to 1800, inter-UK propagation for these should be fine for the first couple of hours, but expect the skip to lengthen significantly as darkness falls. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

On January 17 the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000-2230. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The HA DX Contest on 21-22 January has no fewer than 18 entry categories! Work everyone, giving them a signal report and serial number, between 1200 and 1200UTC. HAs send a signal report and Hungarian county code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 6th to Thursday the 12th of January, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 13th of January.

The number of sunspot groups visible this week was well down on recent weeks. Some days only three groups were visible. Solar activity though was low, with C class solar flares taking place every day. By far the most interesting flare of the period was the C2 solar flare on the 12th. Although not very strong, it did last for over six hours. A coronal mass ejection was associated with this flare. Solar flux levels declined from 141 units on the 7th to 117 by the 12th. The average was

132 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 12th was 145 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined slightly from the start of the period to the end and averaged B5.2 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day; the most disturbed days were the 9th and the 12th, with an Ap index of only 5 units on both days. The average was Ap 4 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 360 and 470 kilometres per second but increased to 550 during the 12th. Particle densities were low every day. Bz never varied more than minus 7 and plus 8 nanoTeslas during the period. Despite falling solar flux levels and thanks to continued low geomagnetic figures, HF propagation generally reached predicted values, with 28MHz open every day.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the slightly more active side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view. Solar activity is expected to be mostly low to moderate, with C class solar flares taking place every day. There is also a chance of an occasional M class flare taking place. Solar flux levels should increase and be in the 130's later in the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 27MHz. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 8MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 33MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 26MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1600 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 15 January Leicester Radio Society is taking part in the AFS contest. Details from John, G0IJM, on 07939 121 132.

On Monday 16 January Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating club equipment in the new shack. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 16 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club Lincoln Short Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 16 January South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 16 January Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is working amateur satellites and the International Space Station from Great Bowden Village Hall. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 17 January Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 17 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the VHF/UHF/SHF Cumulative Club Contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 17 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on simple circuits by Ian, G8SNF. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 17 January Wythall Radio Club is having a visit from RSGB President, Dave Wilson M0OBW. Details from Colin, M0GJM, on 07598 540 507.

On Wednesday 18 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a formal meeting and putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 18 January Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a review of the Christmas meeting and 80th birthday exhibition. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Thursday 19 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 20 January Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869. On Friday 20 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 20 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 21 January Leicester Radio Society is taking part in the AFS contest. Details from John, G0IJM, on 07939 121 132.

On Saturday 21 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Thursday 19 January North Wakefield Radio Club is holding an open evening showing what amateur radio is, details of training courses and having a talk by an RSGB representative. For more details email to publicity@g4nok.org.uk.

On Sunday 15 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the AFS Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 16 January Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 16 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the DXpedition to T32C by Nick, G4FAL. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 16 January Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on solders and soldering by M Green, G4EZM. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 17 January Chester & District Radio Society is having a talk by David, G3UFO on his time as a radio officer. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 17 January Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding Foundation and Intermediate examinations. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Tuesday 17 January Stockport Radio Society is having an explanation of PSK31 and data operations by Evan, M0TJU. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 18 January Chorley and District ARS is holding its AGM. Details from Nessie, M0NES by email to nessie68@hotmail.com.

On Wednesday 18 January Denby Dale Radio Club is holding its constructors' competition. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 18 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a mystery object night. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 18 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an On Air Night. More information from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Thursday 19 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC Data contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.
On Thursday 19 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday 19 January South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having part 2 of the Great Train Robbery talk by Doug, G8ILW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 20 January East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a bring in something interesting evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 20 January Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having Morse tuition and is putting G0NWM on the air. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 21 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the AFS Contest Phone. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 17 January Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the RSGB of the future by RSGB Regional Manager Len, GM0ONX. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 15 January Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having its New Year's carvery dinner. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 15 January Southdown Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the CW AFS contest. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 16 January Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having an equipment safety testing evening.. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 16 January Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on oscilloscopes by G8MLK. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Tuesday 17 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 17 January Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 17 January North Kent Radio Society is having a talk on digital photography. For more information contact Dave Collings, by email to nkrs@crystaldave.com.

On Tuesday 17 January Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on RAYNET by the Mid Herts Group. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572. On Wednesday 18 January Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a look at satellite communications with Paul Jay. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Thursday 19 January Colchester Radio Amateurs is having a show and tell night. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 19 January Cray Valley Radio Society Club is holding an open forum to plan activities and events for 2012. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 19 January Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual quiz trophy evening. Other clubs are invited to attend. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 19 January Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 19 January Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502

564 242.

On Thursday 19 January Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on the Radio Olympics by Roger Western, G3SXW. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702..

On Friday 20 January Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having its annual dinner. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Friday 20 January Harlow & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Justin, G0KSC of InnovAntennas. Contact Mike, G7OBS on 07549 941 570.

On Friday 20 January Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is holding a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 21 January Bittern DX Group commences its weekend event for RNLI SOS week, running GB5SLB for Sheringham Lifeboat. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Saturday 21 January Southdown Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the SSB AFS contest as G3WQK from Hailsham. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 16 January Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on QSLing by Don, G0RQL. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Wednesday 18 January Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 19 January Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 19 January South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is planning for the South Gloucestershire Rally with Ken, G4XCB. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 19 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750. On Friday 20 January Bournemouth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on transmission lines by Chuck Hobson, G0MDK. Visitors are welcome. Details from Russell Saunders on 01202 885 278.

On Friday 20 January Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES We start with advance notice that the Blackwood club, GW6GW, will be starting a Foundation Course on Friday 3 February from 7pm at Oakdale Comprehensive School. Contact details are on the club website, http://gw6gw.co.uk.

On Monday 16 January Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on QRP. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 17 January Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a DVD night. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

35. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-002E - Treasurer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-16 17:33:20 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F145FD0.90003@rac.ca>
Source record: 3602
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-002E - Treasurer
2012-01-15

The Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) is looking for a Treasurer who is a Chartered Accountant, Certified General Accountant or Certified Management Accountant. A certification in amateur radio is optional. As RAC???s financial advisor, we need someone to provide +direction on the accounts and act as liaison with the external auditors. Experience with QuickBooks would be an asset.

Please speak with your friends, there must be a RAC member who either qualifies or can approach someone for this volunteer position. Interested parties please contact the RAC Corporate Secretary at vo1prb@rac.ca

Paul Burggraaf
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36. [RAC-Bulletin] Resend: RAC Bulletin 2012-002E - Treasurer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-16 19:58:15 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F1481B1.20105@rac.ca>
Source record: 3603
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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37. Frostfest 2012 - Saturday, February 4, 2012! - Richmond Virginia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-16 21:48:31 UTC
From: Frostfest 2012 <mailer@aprs.rats.net>
Message-ID: <8916351177176327992 79@binary1work>
Source record: 3604
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

Hello, Frostfest friends!

Ticket sales for Frostfest 2012 are THROUGH THE ROOF! That means lots of people are coming to buy your used amateur radio gear! Now is the time to get a flea market table to sell that closet full of stuff you've been meaning to get rid of for how long?y There are still some good tables left! Lots of manufacturers and accessory vendors are on board. VE Testing will be in full swing, and ARRL DXCC Card Checkers will be there, too. You can order your flea market tables - and some are still available in the Commonwealth Building - by going online to http://www.frostfest.com. Don't forget, you get in 30 minutes early by pre-ordering your tickets online and pay only $8!!! All purchasers of at least ONE (1) Flea Market Table are eligible for a special drawing for $50 in Frostfest Buck$! Each Flea Market Table purchased is one chance in the drawing. ALL purchasers are eligible, even those who have already made their purchase.

Frostfest 2012 is on Saturday, February 4th, at the Richmond Raceway Complex. RRC is easy to find from all major routes into Richmond, Virginia, and we will also have talk-in available from 7:00AM until 10:00AM that day. We all hope to see you all there!

Sincerely,

Tray Murphy, N4PAT, Chairman, Frostfest 2012
The Entire RATS Frostfest* Committee

*Frostfest is the only fund raiser that the Richmond Amateur Telecommunications Society runs each year (RATS - http://www.rats.net) to fund their wide coverage repeater systems on both 2M and 70CM, a wide area APRS network, dual ILRP nodes, and a JNOS packet node. You can find us on Facebook and on Twitter for up to the minute information about Frostfest 2012!

38. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 09 - 15 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-17 22:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120117223001.92D6033C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3605
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jan 17 1552 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
09 - 15 January 2012

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels. Activity was low
during 09 - 13 January. Moderate levels were reached on 14 January
due to an M1 flare at 14/1318 UTC from new Region 1401 (N17, L =
218, class/area Dai/200 on 15 January). Activity returned to low
levels on 15 January. There were no Earth-directed CMEs during the
period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during 09 - 12 January. Predominately
normal levels were observed during 13 - 15 January.

Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet levels during 09 - 12
January. Activity increased to quiet to unsettled levels on 13
January due to a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). Field
activity decreased to quiet levels on 14 - 15 January.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
18 January - 13 February 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance for
isolated M-class activity from Region 1401, 1402 (N27, L=215,
class/area Dho/270 on 15 January) and old Region 1389 (S23, L=087),
which is expected to return to the visible disk on 21 January.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal flux levels during 18 January - 03
February. Normal to moderate levels are expected from 04 - 07
February following a CH HSS. Normal levels are expected for the
remainder of the period.
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Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet on 18 January. Conditions are expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels with a chance for isolated active periods on 19 - 20 January due to a CME observed early on 16 January. Mostly quiet conditions are expected to return from 21 January - 01 February. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected from 02 - 04 February due to a recurrent CH HSS. Predominately quiet conditions are expected from 05 - 08 February. A second CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective on 09 February bringing quiet to unsettled conditions. Mostly quiet conditions are expected on 10 - 11 February before becoming quiet to unsettled for the duration of the period due to a third CH HSS.

39. [DXNL] DXNL 1763 (Jan 18, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-18 01:51:52 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <16021663515.20120118024527@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3606
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4W, TIMOR LESTE, OC-148
Vlad,UA4WHX, has been worked as 4W0VB in CW on 20m/17m/15m and 12m.
More details are not known. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

6W, SENEGAL
Francis,F6BLP, will be QRV again in holiday style signing 6W7SK from
Mbour between Jan 20 and Feb 3. He will work mainly in CW, his equip-
ment includes an IC-7000 with G5RV. QSL via homecall, LoTW.
See also: http://www.f6blp.org/index.php?langue&#65533;

A3, TONGA, OC-049
Holger,ZL3IO (A31IO), Birgit,ZL3IQ (A31YL), and their daughter
Sassi,ZL2GQ (A31GQ), are on a family holiday with little Xenia. Though
this is not a planned DXpedition he has a K3 plus vertical with him.
Their licenses are valid for one year and Tonga is only 3 hours by
airplane from New Zealand... QSLs via homecalls.

DL, GERMANY
The sinking of the passenger liner Titanic has its 100th anniversary on
Apr 15,2012. After hitting an iceberg the ship sank 300 nautical miles
southeast of Newfoundland. Unfortunately, only about 700 of the 2200
passengers and crew members were rescued. It was one of the worst
maritime disasters of civilian shipping. This resulted in numerous
measures to accelerate the rescue of people at high seas.
An international radio distress frequency was introduced and the duty
to its constant monitoring. Even today these decisions are still valid
and are written down in the SOLAS treaty, adapted to the technical
possibilities of today.
The local DARC club in Schoenau (S65) commemorates this historic event
and the beginning of coordinated emergency communications with the
special callsign DM100MGY from Jan 1 until Dec 31. They will also hand
out the special DOK 100MGY between Apr 1 and Jun 30, 2012.

QSLs only via bureau, no direct QSLs and no eQSL.

The clubstation in Jesewitz exists for 50 years now and operates the
special callsign DM50KSJ. QSL via DL2VM.

The Harz Narrow Gauge Railways (HSB) were opened in 1887 with the track
Gernrode-Maegdesprung. Today it maintains a length of 140 km, which is
the longest contiguous stretch of narrow-gauge railway network in
Germany, with steam locomotives operating every day and a total of
48 stations. On this occasion the special event station DQ125HSB is
activated thoughout 2012. QSL via bureau.
The station also counts for the EFA and FIRAC diplomas.
See also: http://www.amateurfunk-vienenburg.de

EI, IRELAND, EU-115
The Irish Radio Transmitters Society celebrates its 80th anniversary
in 2012. The special event station EI80IRTS is active throughout 2012.
QSL via EI4GXB, LoTW.

F, FRANCE
The French telecommunications corps celebrates its 70th anniversary
this year and the ARC of the French signal school activates the special
callsign TM70TRS during several events. QSL via F6KHX.

FK, FRENCH NEW CALEDONIA, OC-032
Ante,9A4DU, is active as FK/9A4DU from the clubstation FK8KA.
QSL via homecall.

FR, REUNION, AF-016
Pierre,FR/F8APV, announced to show up from Reunion (AF-016) every day
in CW on 40/30m from 0100-0400 UTC and in SSB on 20m from 1700-1900 UTC
between Jan 22 and Feb 10. QSL via homecall.

FW, WALLIS (OC-054) and FUTUNA (OC-118)
A Hungarian group plans to become active with two stations in all modes
on all bands signing FW0R from Wallis (OC-054) from Jan 24 till Feb 23.
They will also try to activate Futuna (OC-118) as TW0F from Feb 5-10
in between. Participation in the ARRL CW Contest is planned as well.
QSLs via HA0NAR. See also: http://www.ha0nar.hu

I, ITALY
The HAMs of Lanciano are celebrating their 35th jubilee in 2012 and
thus are operating the special event station II6LN.
All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau automatically.

JT, MONGOLIA
Robert,VA7DX, is working as JT1RF on HF until the end of January.
QSL via VE7YBN.

KH0, NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
KH0/HB9BCK will be QRV in CW/SSB and maybe also in PSK/RTTY on 10m-80m
with 500 watts, yagi and vertical from Jan 22-28. QSL via homecall.

ON, BELGIUM
The HAMs of Bruges are activating the special event station ON65BR to
celebrate their 65th anniversary. QSL via ON6BR.
See also: http://www.on6br.be/drupal

The city of Turnhout celebrates its 800th anniversary and the local
HAMs are using the special callsign ON800TUR. QSL via ON1CB.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Tom,AA9A, and his family are spending their holidays in the Caribbean
until the beginning of March. He will be QRV in CW and SSB on 40m-10m:
Jan 21-Feb 4: PJ2/AA9A from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA 0942)
Feb 13-22: V25AA from Antigua (NA-100) together with other OPs
Mar 3-17: PJ7/AA9A from Sint Maarten (NA-105)
QSLs via homecall, LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE, SA-006
Following the PJ4C DXpedition Norbert,DJ7JC, plans to to work as PJ4M
with HF9 Butternut, K3 plus Tokyo-HighPower amplifier from Jan 23-30.
QSL via homecall.

SV, GREECE
Macedonia and Greece were unified 100 years ago which is marked by the
special event call SX1912. They have also a special award, see QRZ.com.
QSL via bureau.

TN, REPUBLIC OF CONGO
Patrick,ON4HIL, Marc,ON6CC, Luc,ON4IA, Ronald,PA3EWP, Carlo,ON4BR, and
Stefaan,ON4FG, will show up as TN2T from Jan 22-31. They had to wait
six months for their license! QSL via M0URX. See: http://www.tn2t.be

V3, BELIZE
Gerd,DJ4KW (V31YN), and Gisela,DK9GG (V31GW), are looking for QSOs from
Consejo until Feb 26, including big contests like WWDX 160m CW and SSB,
CQ WPX RTTY and ARRL DX CW Contests.
They will be QRV as V31YN/p from Southwater Caye (NA-180) for the IOTA
hunters from Feb 1-8. QSLs via homecalls, LoTW.
Their website is: http://www.qslnet.de/member/v31yn

VK0/M, MACQUARIE ISLAND, AN-005
Trevor,VK0TH, is very angry about the undisciplined behavior of some
DXers and went QRT for a few days, see also QRZ.com.

XT, BURKINA FASO
Jon,K3QF, is staying in Burkina Faso for the next few weeks and wants
to spend time for our hobby as XT2RJA mainly during the evening hours.
QSL via K3QF.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
Daryl,W7TAE, is going to visit Grand Cayman (NA-016) from Jan 22-27.
Listen for ZF2TE in SSB/CW on 20m-6m running 100 watts into verticals.
He also plans to join the ARRL VHF Contest (MOSB 6m). QSL via homecall.

WAGNER SAILING RALLY
In memory of Wladek Wagner the special event station SN2012WW will be
active as SN2012WW/mm from aboard the training ship "Fryderyk Chopin"
and also with other prefixes like FM/, FJ/ etc.
Other special event stations will be:
HF80WW Jun 8-Jul 8, 2012
HF20WW Aug 15-Sep 15, 2012
HF100WW Sep 17-Oct 17, 2012
All QSLs via bureau.

SOUTH PACIFIC TOUR
The DXpedition by HA5AO and HA5UK announced in DXNL 1761 had to be
cancelled because they did not reach their destinations. Instead of
returning home they decided to travel to Nauru from where they showed
up C21HA between Jan 10 and Feb 8. QSL via HA5UK, OQRS via Clublog.

OPs WANTED
Donovan,ZS2DL, is planning a DXpedition to Lesotho for Nov 9-19.
Operation shall take place in CW and RTTY on 80m-10m. The callsign
is not known yet and he is still looking for more operators:
Lesotho DX Pedition 2012, Box 29169, Sunridge Park 6008, South Africa
http://www.zs2dl.co.za
http://www.zs2dl.co.za/7P8D.html

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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WA7BNM Contest Calendar: http://hornucopia.com/contestcal

Two websites dealing with a good operating technique are:
DX Code of Conduct: http://dx-code.org/home.html
Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur:
http://www.ham-operating-ethics.org

The internet portal DXCoffee celebrates its 2nd anniversary:
http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jan 21: LZ Open Contest
Jan 21/22: HA DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-009, GM/MM, Orkney Islands: The Orkney Amateur Radio Club supports the
SOS Fundraising week from Jan 21-29 and activates following special
event stations: GB1OL (OP MM5DWW) in Stromness; GB2OL (OP GM0WED)
in Longhope and GB4OL (OP GM0IFM) in Kirkwall Bay.
All QSLs should be sent via their homecalls, unfortunately only direct.

See also: http://eu009.webplus.net/gb1ol.html

EU-089, CU8/9, Azores Western group: CU8AS, CT3FN/HB9CRV and CT8/HB9CQL will be QRV from Flores Island between Jan 20 and Feb 13.
Ruedi,HB9CQL, will be active as CT8/HB9CQL only until Feb 7.

SA-007, HK0/M, Malpelo Island: The DXARC Dxcolombia Amateur Radio Club HK1NA will be active as HK0NA from Malpelo Island (WFF HKFF-034, WLOTA 0633) between Jan 21 and Feb 5/6. They plan to work with K3's and 500 watt amplifiers in CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m-6m. The "Fab Four" advance team is already on the island since Jan 10 to build up the equipment.
All QSLs via N2OO (bureau/direct). An OQRS will be installed as well.
The log will be uploaded to the LoTW six months later.
More information is available at: http://www.hk0na.com

The Documentary Archive Radio Communications has put up a very detailed website with all previous activities from Malpelo Island.
See also: http://dokufunk.org/malpelo

Lighthouse activities

8Q7HU LH 3911 Jan 25 Feb 5
FW0R LH 0389 Jan 25 Feb 23
KH0/HB9BCK LH 1333 Jan 22 28
PJ2/AA9A LH 0942 Jan 21 Feb 4
PJ4M LH 1279 Jan 23 30
VP8DNT LH 1479 Jan 21 28

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
EA8/DL7PV 3.501 2205Z

40m
4Z4KX 7.032 1546Z
EW7EW 7.032 0647Z
W1/GI0IMP 7.145 0732Z

20m
7X2ARA 14.009 1523Z (B)
A65BU 14.010 1554Z
PJ4C 14.024 1934Z via F9IE (B)
TM10E 14.010 1753Z
UK8IF 14.018 0642Z
VA2IEI 14.345 1830Z SOTA QC-027

15m
CX5BW 21.021 1537Z
KP4QI 21.023 1438Z
UA0LNO 21.021 0734Z
VP9/WW3S 21.015 1546Z via homecall, (d)

12m
3D2AG/p 24.892 1015Z (d), Rotuma
ZC4LI 24.895 1328Z

10m
JT5DX 28.020 0831Z via JT1CO (B)
ZL3IO 28.001 0805Z

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(L) NoTW
(r) Bureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
Unknown 4W0VB 1763 *
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674
20Jan-03Feb 6W7SK 1763
31Mar 8N1JARL.. 1762
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

25Jan? A31IO.. 1763
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
-Mar CE9VPM 1752
-08Feb C21HA 1763 *
20Jan-13Feb CU8AS.. 1763 *
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr? D2SG 1748
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763 *
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763 *
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763 *
-Mar EA1CYK/p 1759
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763 *
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756
-31Jan EM1000USK 1758
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747

Unknown FK/9A4DU 1763 *
22Jan-10Feb FR/F8APV 1763 *
-Jul FR8NE 1710
24Jan-23Feb FW0R.. 1763 *
21Jan-29Jan GB1OL.. 1763 *
2012 GB80PW 1762
Unknown HA100CGCDH 1762
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
21Jan -6Feb HK0NA 1763 *
16Jan-26Mar HK3JCL 1762
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
-2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb II0MZ 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763 *
-Apr J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-15Apr JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
-31Jan JT1RF 1763 *

01Jan-31Jan K3Y 1760
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
22Jan-28Jan KH0/HB9BCK 1763 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
-31Jan LZ1818MOG 1762
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763 *
01Jan-31Jan ON800TUR 1763 *
-Feb OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar P29FR 1742
21Jan-17Mar PJ2/AA9A.. 1763 *
-22Jan PJ4B 1761
12Jan-23Jan PJ4C 1762
-Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
23Jan-30Jan PJ4M 1763 *

-31Jan R10DDX 1762
-Mar RI1ANA 1762
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
Unknown SN2012WW.. 1763 *
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
Unknown SX1912 1763 *
17Jan-02Feb T32AU.. 1762
-Apr T6BP 1746
-Jun T6MO 1733

11Jan-19Jan T88SM.. 1762
Unknown TL8ES 1755
21Jan TM10E 1762
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763 *
22-31Jan TN2T 1763 *
-Jul TN9SN 1755
NOW TR0A/p 1760

-26Feb V31YN.. 1763 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
NOW VK0TH (Macq) 1748/1763 *
11Jan-21Jan VP2V/GM0LVI 1762
12Jan-04Feb VP6T.. 1762
-Feb VP8DMH 1757
21Jan-28Jan VP8DNT 1762
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
-Mar VU3BPZ.. 1762
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
Unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763 *
14Jan-22Jan XU7AVO.. 1762
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
11Jan-24Jan YS3/IW2CXJ 1762
22Jan-27Jan ZF2TE 1763 *
-Apr ZS7KX 1740/1749

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

1B1AB via N7RO (B)
3B8/HB9ARY via HB9ARY
4K6/JR0HYT via JR0HYT (B)
4W0VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
6W7SK via F6BLP, (L)
9G1YK via PA3ERA (B)
5B4AIZ via G3SWH (B)
9A201MB via 9A1MB (B)
9A201R via 9A1R
9A202KD via 9A2KD
9A202MF via 9A2MF (B), eQSL
9A202N via 9A2N
9A202NA via 9A2NA (B)
9A203BIM via 9A3BIM (B)
9A203GI via 9A3GI
9A203SM via 9A3SM (B)
9A204BA via 9A4BA (B), (L)
9A204M via 9A4M
9A204W via 9A4W (B)
9A204WW via 9A4WW (B)
9A205CW via 9A5CW (B)

9A206M via 9A6M
9A206W via 9A6W
9A207SSY via 9A7SSY (B), eQSL
9A207WA via 9A7WA
9A208D via 9A1CRD
9J2BO via G3TEV (B)
A31GQ via ZL2GQ (B)
A31IO via ZL3IO (B)
A31YL via ZL3IQ (B)
C21HA via HA5UK (B) (OQRS)
CT3FN/HB9CRV via HB9CRV
CT8/HB9CQL via HB9CQL
DL0JRT via DL8MCP (B), eQSL
DM100MGY via (B)
DM50KSJ via DL2VM (B)
DQ125HSB via (B)
EI80IRTS via EI4GXB (B), (L)
FK/9A4DU via 9A4DU (B)
FR/F8APV via F8APV
FW0R via HA0NAR (B)
GB1OL via MM5DWW (d)
GB2OL via GM0WED (d)
GB4OL via GM0IFM (d)
HK0NA via N2OO (B), (L)
HF80WW via (B)
HF20WW via (B)
HF100WW via (B)
HZ1HN/P via HZ1HN (d)
II6LN via (B), sends QSLs automatically
J79XB via VE2XB (B)
JT1RF via VE7YBN (B)
JW6VJA via LA6VJA (B)
KH0/HB9BCK via HB9BCK (B)
MW/R6AF via R6AF
N5M via K5PVR
ON65BR via ON6BR (B)
ON800TUR via ON1CB (B)
OX3XR via (B) or OZ3PZ (d)
PJ2/AA9A via AA9A (B), (L)
PJ2/W6XK via NN6NN
PJ4B via PA8A (d)
PJ4C via F9IE (B)
PJ4M via DJ7JC (B)
PJ7/AA9A via AA9A (B), (L)
RZ1CWC/1 via RN1CW (B)
SN2012WW via (B)
SP9YFF via SQ9IDG (d)
SX1912 via SZ2RCP (B)
T6MO via K9GY (B)
T88JU via JA1RJU (d)

TM70TRS via F6KHX (B)
TN2T via M0URX (B), (L)
TO5G via F5KDR (B)
TW0F via HA0NAR (B)
UR5IFX via N4TV
T8OG via JL3TOG (B)
UR5IFX via N4TV
UT/EI6KC via US6IKN (B)
UT5KDS via IK2DUW (B)
V25AA via AA9A (B), (L)
V31GW via DK9GG (B), (L)
V31YN via DJ4KW (B), (L)
V5/DK1CE via DH3WO (B)
VP8DMH via M0PRL (B)
XT2RJA via K3QF
XU7AEP via UA9YPS (d)
XW0ZJZ via E21EIC (d)
YA/IK5ZVE via IK5ZVE (B), (L)
YL11WCA via YL2IU
YT16ARDF via YU1FJK
YT16IARU via YU1EA
YU16ARDF via YU1FJK
YU16IARU via YU0U
ZF2JS via N4BFR, (L)
ZF2KO via N4EWT, (L)
ZF2TE via W7TAE
ZF2ZE via NE8Z (B)
ZP5/DL1BI via DL1BI (B)
ZP9EH via K5WW (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: EK6TA (DJ0MCZ), LU7XWC, PJ5/SO6X, PJ5/SP6IXF,
PJ7N & PJ7/W4FC (W4FC), XW3DT, YJ0VK (VK2CA)

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

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40. The ARRL Contest Update for January 18, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-18 07:47:21 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120118042005.B5B4B26CCB@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3607
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you've not yet tried 160 meters thinking that the antennas are too
big and the static crashes too loud - give the band another try during
the upcoming CQ Worldwide 160 Meter contest. You'll find lots and lots
of stations ready to pull your signal into their logs!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

I'll blame these on the effects of holiday nog! The correct URL for
K5LXP's 6x2 antenna switch is here
<http://www.qsl.net/k5lxp/projects/CoaxSwitch/CoaxSwitch.html> - thanks
to Doug KR2Q and others who spotted the extra %20 at the end of the
URL. The photos of N6RO and K3EST & Junko should have been credited to
Bob N6TV instead of mutual friend Dean N6BV. And the Contest Super
Suite begins on Wednesday, not Thursday, of the Dayton Hamvention says
John K9JK.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section
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January 21-22

- ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
- Locust QSO Party--CW (Jan 18)
- Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest (Jan 18)
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Jan 19)
- LZ Open Contest--CW
- YLISSB QSO Party--Phone
- HA DX Contest
- UK DX RTTY Contest
- Feld-Hell Gridloc Sprint
- North American QSO Party--Phone
- International United Teenager Contest

January 28-29

- CQ WW 160 Meter Contest--CW (Jan 27-29)
- REF French Contest--CW
- BARTG RTTY Sprint
- UBA Contest--Phone
- Winter Field Day
- WAB Top Band Phone Contest
- Classic Exchange--CW
- QRP Winter Fireside SSB Sprint

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The Florida Contest Group will be sponsoring the 2012 Orlando Contest Dinner at the Orlando Hamcation <http://hamcation.com/> convention. The dinner will take place on February 10, 2012 at 6pm at the American Legion Hall <http://tinyurl.com/FCGDirections> at 2101 Lee Road in Orlando. After dinner, hear an address by new NCJ Editor Kirk Pickering, K4RO. There will also be a hospitality suite with CW and SSB copying contests. For questions and to order tickets, contact Chris WF3C <chris.plumblee@gmail.com>.

If you're planning on attending the Contest Dinner <http://contestdinner.com/> during Dayton Hamvention, the North Coast Contesters are happy to announce that CQ Contest Hall of Fame member Larry "Tree" Tyree, N6TR will be the featured speaker. It's possible that Tree will share his secrets of winning contesting. When not chasing new countries on 160 meters, Tree is also a log checker for the ARRL, CQ, and WRTC. With a distinguished and interesting contest resume, his talk is sure to be interesting! (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Todd KC9BQA has made several new web posts <http://kc9bqa.com/> to that are helpful to newer VHF+ contesters, such as the articles titled VHF Contesting School <http://kc9bqa.com/?p=5609>. The articles are broken down into bite-sized pieces geared toward getting a novice VHF+ operator comfortable calling "CQ Contest".

Firefox users may be interested in the Propfire utility <http://www.n0hr.com/Propfire.htm> that displays Solar Flux, A, and K indices at the bottom of the browser window. (Thanks, Chuck AF4O)

Baby boomers will recall the WPE call signs for SWL (short-wave listener) stations - and they are making a comeback! On January 1, Popular Communications magazine launched the Pop'Comm Monitoring Station <http://popcommmonitors.blogspot.com/> (PCMS) program, reminiscent of Popular Electronics magazine's popular Monitor Station (WPE) program of more than 50 years ago. So far, more than 300 SWLs, scanner buff, and digital communications enthusiasts have signed up. This was a common path to ham radio - why not suggest it to an unlicensed friend or relative? (Thanks, Popular Communications Editor, Richard KI6SN)

Just in time, a new version of the VHF Super Check Partial and Prefill databases <http://www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/> for the ARRL January 2012 VHF Contest are now available from W9ZRX.

WRTC 2014, Inc. <http://www.wrtc2014.org/>, host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship competition, is pleased to announce that L. Dennis Shapiro, W1UF, has joined the WRTC2014 Advisory Council. The Advisory Council consists of individuals who have experience in the execution of major events and are willing to provide significant financial resources to the project. Dennis is a lifelong New Englander and maintains two stations - one in the Boston area and one on Nantucket Island. An active DXer and occasional contester, Dennis explains his motivation for joining the Advisory Council, "I am interested in building international friendships and see WRTC as furthering that goal." (Thanks, WRTC-2014 Co-Chair, Randy K5ZD)

The first Potomac Valley Radio Club <http://www.pvrc.org/> (PVRC) webinar of the year will feature Tim Duffy, K3LR, Chancellor of Contest University <http://contestuniversity.com/> (CTU) discussing the 2012 course line up, list of professors, and the WWROF endorsed Contester's Code of Ethics. CTU welcomes six new professors this year. Click the "Upcoming Webinars" link for more information and to register for this free talk to be conducted on 30 January. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

A great way to display your QSLs is by scanning them and putting the images into a digital picture frame. Most digital picture frames depend on something like a USB Flash Card for their input. A 4-Gbyte Flash Card costing a few dollars will hold thousands of high-res images of scanned QSL cards. (Brian N9ADG and Chuck K0TVD)

Web Site of the Week - Imus Geographics <https://imusgeographics.com/> is having a hard time keeping up with demand for their new and highly rated new map of the United States as described in this Slate.com <http://www.slate.com/articles/arts/culturebox/2012/01/the_best_american_wall_map_david_imus_the_essential_geography_of_the_united_states_of_america_.html> story. I know that hams love maps and this one captured my interest (and order) right away!

WORD TO THE WISE

QNZ - "Zero beat your signal with mine." A Q-signal sent by net control stations but that could also be used in many contests. For example,

clear the RIT before calling a station. It's certainly easy to forget, leaving you potentially well outside the passband of a station's receiver on a crowded band. Some contesters even add the software commands to clear the RIT in their operating macros so they don't forget. (Thanks, Tom W8TK)

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The link to information on the 1948 Gatti-Hallicrafters DXpedition created some interest - here is another good website <http://www.qsl.net/pa0abm/ghe/1948dxped.htm> about it. W7LR was also featured in this two-page (page 1 <http://www.kkn.net/%7Etree/160/W7LR_Article_Page1.jpg>, page 2 <http://www.kkn.net/%7Etree/160/W7LR_Article_Page2.jpg>) newspaper story and in his own words <http://www.kkn.net/%7Etree/160/W7LR-MIDWAY-4.pdf> on his WWII experiences as a radio operator - the images will load somewhat slowly. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

The Semiconductor Museum <http://semiconductormuseum.com/Museum_Index.htm> is a great way to spend some time - we take these tiny marvels for granted today but they changed the world in a big way. My favorite is the section on my old friend, the 2N2222, of which I used many, ruined more than a few, and still specify now and then today. (Thanks, George W2VJN)

If you enjoyed those photos by Bob N6TV in the last issue, there are many more faces of the Northern California Contest Club members online <http://www.nccc.cc/photos.html>. (Tom K6AET's photo is my favorite!) The montage was assembled by John K6MM - your club might want to consider something similar.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

A whole batch of ARRL contest results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> are hitting the 'net including the IARU HF Championship, September VHF QSO Party, and 10 GHz Cumulative contests. These all include extra content beyond the QST article such as graphs, photos, tables, and all of the line scores. The IARU results may take another day or two before posting but look for them shortly. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The final tally of 5,438 logs received for the ARRL 10 Meter Contest is an all-time record for ANY of the ARRL contests - single-band, multi-band, domestic, DX, HF, or VHF. Wow! (Thanks, Sean KX9X)

2011 Nebraska QSO Party results <http://www.hdxa.com/> have been posted with final rules for the 2012 contest to follow shortly. (Thanks, Heartland DX Association webmeister, Jeff NE0DX)

CQ Worldwide 160 Contest Manager, Andy N2NT, announces the posting of the 2011 CQ 160 contest results <http://cq160.com/results.htm>. This package includes corrections to the print article, such as missing

scores and adds a trophy list. Certificates have already been mailed and plaques are in the process of being made up. The record list will be updated soon. Log checking reports can be obtained by emailing Andy <andyn2nt@gmail.com> with the call sign you used and the mode of the contest you entered.

Don AA5AU has written up his experiences <http://rttycontesting.com/contestnotes/2012_arrlru.htm> during the recent ARRL RTTY Roundup in which he finally cracked the 2000-QSO barrier for low power entries. If you want to know more about how the high-scoring stations make those big totals, here's one example.

WRTC-2014 standings have been updated to include the official results from CQ WPX SSB, EUHFC, and NAQP CW and SSB. Problems with the NA Sprint scores are being fixed. Updated Excel spreadsheets for each Selection Area have been posted <http://www.wrtc2014.org/competitors/qualification-standings/>, as well. Thanks to Marek, SQ2GXO for his continuing efforts to track both final and claimed scores on his website WRTC-Rank <http://www.wrtc-rank.com/>. Updates will continue to appear periodically as various contest results are made public. (Thanks, WRTC-2014 Team Selection Director Dan K1TO

Bob K0RC's Log Analyzer for the ARRL RTTY Roundup contest, version 2.0.2, can be downloaded <https://skydrive.live.com/?cid=d96c61feb759dc6e&sc=documents#cid=D96C61FEB759DC6E&id=D96C61FEB759DC6E%21903&sc=documents> and includes minor enhancements added since last year, including one-click Import procedures for Cabrillo-formatted logs.

OPERATING TIP

While these tips on contest logging <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqplogguidance.php> were written for the NAQP contests, NAQP Contest Manager, Bruce WA7BNM's suggestions make a whole lot of sense for any contest - before, during, and after.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Single-band contesters will be the first to attest that effective listening while transmitting on the same band is difficult to achieve due to transmitter noise and sheer overload. PA0SIM has taken a run at the problem with this two-transistor phaser <http://www.pa0sim.nl/Phaser%2080%20-%2010%20meters.htm> for 80-10 meters. (Thanks, Martin OK1RR)

A favorite foot-warming fixture in many ham shacks, this article <http://www.orcadxcc.org/content/cantenna_va7jw.pdf> by VA7JW provides a detailed accounting of the venerable Heathkit Cantenna dummy load. (Thanks, Jim VE7FO)

Protecting dc-powered designs against reverse polarity power supplies takes many forms. Terry WA0ITP captured some of the most common

techniques in his collection of circuit sketches <http://www.wa0itp.com/rvpcircuits.pdf>. One will surely be right for you - or at least spark an idea, so to speak.

Just in case you need some help to grow your HyGain antennas, Tom K1KI found this helpful website <http://www.hygain.com.au/Product_Range/balanced.php>.

With the CQ 160 contests coming up shortly, here's a simple receive antenna recommended by Tim K3LR. The VE3DO loop <http://topbanddinner.com/attachments/InexpensiveReceiveAntennasforTopBand.pps> is also straightforward to build and install, making it a good "temporary" antenna.

Diane VA3DB has started a Ham Radio Builder List <http://diana.db.net/mailman/listinfo/hamradio-builder> for anyone interested in homebrew electronics. "Builders" is the term in vogue for folks that like to build rather than buy and that certainly fits a lot of hams - whether by choice or necessity. The website is intended to collect and publish short and simple articles with lots of photos and good instructions. (From AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> newsletter ANS-008)

If you are surprised to find your Windows PC assigning virtual COM ports with very high numbers - it's a consequence of the way Windows tracks and manages COM ports created by external accessories. Even if you are not using that particular accessory any more, Windows remembers and reserves a COM port for it. This occasionally wreaks havoc with applications such as logging software. To regain control of your COM port assignments, check out this Microsoft Support article <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/315539>. It's also noted in the N1MM <http://n1mm.com/> contest logging software manual. A free tool called USBDeview <http://www.nirsoft.net/utils/usb_devices_view.html%20> can also be used to uninstall USB drivers for devices that you no longer use. (Thanks, Rick N6XI, Bob N6TV and Steve N2IC)

To protect a receiver from dc voltages on feed lines for powering external devices and prevent creating intermod in a receive-only devices such as a signal splitter, Frank W3LPL makes the following suggestions. "Use a well over-rated dc blocking capacitor, this is not an application to save a few pennies by using a marginally rated capacitor. You should also use a choke to ground with a high current rating to protect your receiver if the capacitor shorts out. A choke wound with #18 wire on a ferrite core will guarantee that your receiver won't be trashed if the capacitor fails. It's a good idea to place capacitors in series with all three ports of a "magic-T" 3 dB splitter. The ferrite cores in commercially made splitters are very small, if even a small amount of 60 Hz ac current flows through the core it will saturate causing intermod problems. In a multi-operator station, a band-pass filter should be installed to protect the splitter from strong signal saturation, also resulting in intermod problems. You can avoid splitter intermod problems by building your own splitter with large ferrite cores, but you can usually avoid that by using band-pass

filters and capacitors to protect the splitter from saturation."

Steve W3AHL notes two common causes of excessive loss in PL-259 connectors - "a solder ball on the end of the center pin, spreading the mating female contacts. After a few insertion cycles a cheap SO-239 may read 2-5 ohms through the center pin. Then there are the connectors where someone scraped all the [the center pin] with a knife, taking all the plating with it." The moral of the story is to assemble the connector correctly without excess solder.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Dan N3OX has an interesting webpage <http://n3ox.net/> full of projects and measurements, such as a tunable short vertical antenna that uses a novel mechanism to vary its geometry. The animations of energy being radiated from an antenna are also captivating! (Thanks, Steve G3TXQ)

==> CONVERSATION

Spanning the Bands

Just this week, a whole batch of ARRL contest results <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> hit the web, covering quite a range of spectrum. The 10 GHz Cumulative Contest and September VHF QSO Party results capture activity on the short wavelengths and the IARU HF Championship results chronicle operating feats all the way at the other end of our allocations. (The IARU results should be up shortly if they are not posted by the time this newsletter is published.)

>From 1.8 MHz to 78 GHz in one set of results is pretty impressive when you think about it - four and a half orders of magnitude. Yet here were hams pushing the limits of propagation and electronics, trying for distance, distance, and more distance!

This certainly seems to indicate that we are fulfilling our charter as stated in FCC Part 97.1 - to push the boundaries of the radio and communications art. Whether the operators are trying to overcome short antennas and static or pencil-thin beam angles and atmospheric absorption, that they are able to accomplish what they do is nothing short of amazing!

How cool is it that a 160 meter signal can be perfectly timed to hit a sunrise opening lasting less than a minute to a location on the other side of the planet? How cool is it that signals at 78 GHz - a wavelength of 3.8 mm - can be beamed across a 2 km path...for fun? And all those other bands in between - bouncing signals off of airplanes, meteors, ionospheric ions and electrons!

I can envision a contest in which "all-band" really means "all of the bands". Can you imagine how a rover station for such a contest would appear, festooned with radiating appurtenances and fixtures and, dare I say, doo-dads all fizzing with RF, both outbound and inbound? Extraordinary! Running the bands would take on a whole new scope with

such a station on either end.

It's kind of ironic that the only event that supports such an exchange is actually not a contest - it's the annual ARRL Field Day. Perhaps the W3AO monster-multi crew will lead the way for others to follow? To me, the scope of radiosport here at the beginning of ham radio's second century is really exciting. More bands than ever, digital modes by the bucket load, new hams flocking to phone and CW and setting log submission records with each passing year.

Perhaps one day soon amateurs will be granted an allocation at even longer wavelengths and I know for a fact that hams are already experimenting with signals in the hundreds of GHz! Our call signs will still be crackling over the air waves no matter what the frequency or color as the laser operators tunnel busily down to meet the mm-wavers tunneling busily up. Wherever there is an electromagnetic niche to be explored, expect to find a ham there - trying for ever-longer, ever-more-difficult QSOs in the quest for DX that is as old as radio. QRZ?

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

18 January through 31 January

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

North American QSO Party--Phone, from Jan 21, 1800Z to Jan 22, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

Locust QSO Party--CW, from Jan 18, 0200Z to Jan 18, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Frequencies: 3.553, 7.053. Exchange: Name, state or province or 'DX'. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.k6vva.com/lqp>

Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest--CW, from Jan 18, 2300Z to Jan 19, 2300Z - Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-7. Exchange: See Web site. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Jan 19, 0130Z to Jan 19, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

LZ Open Contest--CW, from Jan 21, 0000Z to Jan 21, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 7. Exchange: 6-digit serial and serial from previous QSO. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.lzopen.com/>

YLISSB QSO Party--Phone, from Jan 21, 0000Z to Jan 22, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), ISSB number. Logs due: Mar 18. Rules <http://www.ylsystem.org/>

HA DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Jan 21, 1200Z to Jan 22, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ha-dx.com/>

UK DX RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jan 21, 1200Z to Jan 22, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ukdx.srars.org/>

Feld-Hell Gridloc Sprint--Digital, from Jan 21, 1600Z to Jan 21, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

International United Teenager Contest--Phone,CW, from Jan 22, 0900Z to Jan 22, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 144/432/1.2G. Exchange: RS(T) and age or "RT". Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/140.html>

CQ WW 160 Meter Contest--CW, from Jan 27, 2200Z to Jan 29, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and S/P/C. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.cq160.com/>

REF French Contest--CW, from Jan 28, 0600Z to Jan 29, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial or department ID. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://concours.ref-union.org/contest>

BARTG RTTY Sprint--Digital, from Jan 28, 1200Z to Jan 29, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial. Logs due: Mar 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/>

UBA Contest--Phone, from Jan 28, 1300Z to Jan 29, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS, serial, and ON province. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.uba.be/hf/contest-rules>

Winter Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jan 28, 1700Z to Jan 29, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), category, local temp. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.spar-hams.org/>

WAB Top Band Phone Contest--Phone, from Jan 28, 1900Z to Jan 28, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: See Web site. Logs due: 21 days. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/contest>

Classic Exchange--CW, from Jan 29, 1400Z to Jan 30, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144, Frequencies: CW 1.810, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.135, 28.050, 50.100, 144.100 . Exchange: RST, QTH, model of rcvr and xmtr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

QRP Winter Fireside SSB Sprint--Phone, from Jan 29, 2000Z to Jan 29, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: QRP calling frequencies. Exchange: RS, S/P/C, QRP ARCI number or power. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes--Phone,CW, from Jan 21, 1900Z to Jan 23, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 50+. Exchange: Grid square. Logs due: Feb 22. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

International United Teenager Contest--Phone,CW, from Jan 22, 0900Z to Jan 22, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 144/432/1.2G. Exchange: RS(T) and age or "RT". Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/140.html>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

18 January through 31 January

- January 19 - NA High Speed Meteor Scatter Winter Rally <http://www.ykc.com/wa5ufh/Contests/2011Rules.htm>
- January 19 - AGCW VHF/UHF Contest <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:VHF-UHF_Contest>
- January 21 - PODXS 070 Club PSKFest <http://www.podxs070.com/pskfest>
- January 22 - AGB New Year Snowball Contest <http://www.qsl.net/eu1eu/agb_nysb.htm>
- January 22 - QRP ARCI Pet Rock Celebration <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8390/118/>
- January 22 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest <http://www.fpqrp.com/fpqrprun.php>
- January 23 - DARC 10-Meter Contest <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/10m/en/rules/>
- January 24 - RAEM Contest <http://raem.srr.ru/contest/raem_2011/rules_eng_2011.php>
- January 28 - North American QSO Party, CW <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>
- January 31 - Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party <http://arlhs.com/LCL-2011-guidelines.html>
- January 31 - RAC Winter Contest <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2011_Canada_Winter_Contest_Rules_English_and_French.pdf>
- January 31 - International Naval Contest <http://www.marinefunker.de/eng/show.php3?pos=15>
- January 31 - Original QRP Contest <http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/oqrpr.html>
- January 31 - AGCW Happy New Year Contest <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Happy_New_Year_Contest>
- January 31 - SARTG New Year RTTY Contest

<http://www.sartg.com/contest/nyrules.htm>
- January 31 - NRAU-Baltic Contest, CW
<http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/nrau.htm>
- January 31 - NRAU-Baltic Contest, SSB
<http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/nrau.htm>

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==> ARMY MARS AND WINLINK UPDATE

According to Pudge Forrester, AAA9GL, government liaison for Army MARS
<http://www.netcom.army.mil/mars/>, Lieutenant General Susan Lawrence
has reversed the decision to phase out the use of the WinLink 2000
<http://www.winlink.org/> global radio e-mail system by Army MARS
members.

Ms Lawrence stated that the Army, after reviewing its capabilities, had
decided that the continued use of WinLink 2000 was a valuable asset to
Army MARS members and agencies that were using the service. She issued
a statement to that effect on December 21, 2011. On January 5, 2012,
the Chief of Army MARS officially notified his membership that the
phase out notice had been rescinded.

Army MARS members and agencies who had been using the service hailed
the decision by Ms Lawrence and resumed use of WinLink 2000.

==> REMINDER TO ARRL LOCAL EMERGENCY COORDINATORS AND SECTION EMERGENCY
COORDINATORS
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Do not forget to submit your 2011 annual reports to ARRL HQ. EC's may access form C "EC Annual Report" on the Public Service page <http://www.arrl.org/public-service-field-services-forms>. The form may be downloaded as a Word document. Once completed email it to ARRL Field Services Supervisor, Steve Ewald, WV1X, sewald@arrl.org or you may mail it to ARRL HQ, 225 Main St. Newington, CT 06111.

Section Emergency Coordinators are reminded to submit their monthly SEC reports. This can be done online <http://www.arrl.org/fsd-96-monthly-section-emergency-coordinator-report>.

==> NACOGDOCHES (TEXAS) ARC ASSISTS IN ANGELINA RIVER BOTTOM FIRE

"Command, this is Lilbert."

"Go ahead Lilbert; this is Command."

"Command, a civilian stopped by just now and notified us that some heavy smoke is visible south of County Road 343 within a mile of the Angelina River bridge. She says the smoke was not there earlier."

"Roger, Lilbert. We will pass that information on. KD5GEN"

"Thank you, Command. KE5EXX"

This was one of the QSOs between Rusty Sanders, KD5GEN, and myself on the afternoon of September 7, 2011. Sanders was at the Angelina River Bottom Fire Command Center that was established in the small town of Douglass, Texas. I was located in a small church in the Lilbert community that was acting as a supply point for the firefighters. Douglass is just three miles north of where the Piney Woods of East Texas was ablaze.

Earlier that day, the Nacogdoches County Sheriff's Office had contacted Kent Tannery, KD5SHM, and asked if the Nacogdoches Amateur Radio Club could provide communications assistance to the firefighters. Tannery then called the Nacogdoches County Emergency Management Planning Section Chief, Tara Triana, to find out what was needed and where. Tannery said, "They told me they wanted three hams at the three places (Douglass, Lilbert, and Sacul), but then Tara told me they needed help monitoring the three different fire locations that were using the Texas Fire frequencies and relay for them."

The State of Texas has an Interoperability Channel Plan that allows multiple agencies to communicate with each other. In the case of Texas Fire1, Texas Fire2, and Texas Fire3, these are all VHF simplex frequencies. The density of the forest, as well as the distance between outposts, were barriers for firefighters' communication with each other or the command post, with their VHF hand-helds in simplex mode.

Tannery continued, "Then I knew what to take and what we needed to do and looked up those frequencies and e-mailed them to Army Curtis, AE5P." Curtis immediately activated an emergency net on the club's 147.32 MHz repeater and coordinated activating Rusty Sanders, KD5GEN, to man the Command Center; Kent Tannery, KD5SHM, to operate from Sacul;

and myself, KE5EXX, to operate from Lilbert.

We ended up using two ICOM IC-2720 units and a Yaesu FT-1500 to communicate between the three remote locations and act as relays to the different fire departments who could not communicate over the large forest. The Sheriff's Office supplied each of us with portable radios. We also provided health and welfare traffic, such as confirming that assets were moved to the correct location or that food and drinks were provided to the firefighters.

The club maintains three ready-to-go kits: An "Orange Box Kit" that contains an ICOM IC-2720H, a Kantronics KPC-3+; another box kit that contains a Yaesu FT-8800; and a "Wooden Box Kit" that contains a Yaesu FT-1500. At the time of the fires, the club also had one W3FF

"Orange Box" Ready to Go Kit. mast, tripod, a guying assembly, and a VHF 1/4 wave ground plane manufactured by Centerfire Antenna. (The club has since been provided with three additional mast/tripod/antenna kits.)

As soon as I arrived on location, I checked in with the point of contact and told her why I was there. I looked for the best place to setup, preferably someplace quiet and out of the way. I originally attempted to use a 5/8's wave mag mount on a cookie sheet from the inside of the building, but I was unable to make the repeater. In order for me to get on the air, I put the mag mount on the roof of the metal building I was in and ran the coax in through a window.

Lessons Learned

We learned quite a bit from this event. Although all of us were activated during the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster and numerous hurricanes that have hit our area, this was new territory for many of us. Until now, we had not operated from such remote areas. We found that we needed to add more coax to our go kits. We also found that we needed more of the mast/tripod/antenna kits that were later donated to us.

Nacogdoches County Sheriff Thomas Kerss commented, "We realized the value of incorporating the use of Amateur Radio into our operations several years ago during the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster. We continue to see that value today. Thanks to the efforts of the local Amateur Radio operators during the Angelina River Bottom Fire we were able to establish communication links with emergency responders in areas of our county that would not have been possible otherwise." -- Andy Delgado, KE5EXX <%20delgado@apollos-dev.com>, Nacogdoches, Texas

==> OPERATORS TO DEMO EMCOMMS IN MICHIGAN

Muskegon, Michigan - Hundreds of Amateur Radio operators across the country will be displaying their emergency communication capabilities on Saturday, January 28, 2012. The public is invited to step out and view what Amateur Radio communications can do in times of emergencies.

The Society for the Preservation of Amateur Radio (SPAR) established a Winter Field Day <http://www.spar-hams.org/contests/winterfd/index.php?pg=2> event in 2007 and invited Amateur Radio operators to participate. Using emergency power, operators will construct, and operate portable emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, schools, and backyards across the country. Operators will demonstrate long and short range voice, data, and Morse code communications.

In the Muskegon area the Muskegon County Emergency Communication Services, Inc. (MCECS) and the Muskegon Area Amateur Radio Council (MAARC) will be demonstrating their communication skills at the Muskegon Conservation Club, North Muskegon, on that Saturday from noon until 7:00 PM. Other groups from around the country are encouraged to join in. -- James Duram, K8COP <jimk8cop@afo.net>, Emergency Coordinator, Muskegon County, Michigan

==> MICHIGAN EMCOMM GROUP SELECTS ONE OF ITS OWN FOR AWARD

The Muskegon County (Michigan) Emergency Communication Services, Inc. a local non-profit amateur radio group involved in emergency communications, has awarded Barbara Grob, K9BLG, the Al Ronning Outstanding Service Award. The award is given each December to a member of the group that has gone above and beyond the call of duty in service to this organization. This recognition is given in memory of Al Ronning, K8AER, who was an inspiration to other members of the group in his tireless effort in public service. Ronning was a member of the group who died in an automobile crash in December, 2006. James Duram, K8COP, Emergency Coordinator, Muskegon County, awarded the plaque to Grob at their December meeting.

==> LETTERS: COML

The item in the December 21, 2011 ARES E-Letter does a good job of describing the role of the Type III Communications Unit Leader (COML). However, readers should be aware that actual certification requires task completion and sign-off of a task book that may be impossible to achieve if one is not already appropriately employed in a public-safety agency. Thus, I don't think the rating is achievable for hams not already "in the business." -- Marty Woll, N6VI, Vice Director, ARRL Southwestern Division; Assistant DEC, ARESLAX BCUL 15 and Training Officer, LAFD ACS, CERT III

In the recent ARES E-Letter there was the statement "This COML training will qualify emergency responders to lead ICS communications units if they possess the necessary prerequisites, including knowledge of the following: local communications; communications systems; and regional, State, and local communications plans." To be more correct, the training alone doesn't "qualify" emergency responders by itself after one takes the COML Training (and I have). The most important part of the process to achieve COML qualification is completion of a task book that the student receives. This document gets signed off on each of the

tasks by served agency staff in authority to see first hand that the student demonstrates the capabilities of the position. This task book must be signed off when the student demonstrates experience in real world events or exercises. Then, the task book must be submitted to a State Level organization that has the responsibility for certifying the student before they can say anything other than they attended the course. The COML qualification is not awarded until those additional steps take place. Merely taking the course is not sufficient. I should note that the Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications (DHS - OES) is also running other courses that would be useful to radio amateurs: COMT and RADO, all being important and specific roles in the NIMS/ICS framework.

Here in North Carolina we (ARES and MARS) have a strong effort to support the agencies we serve - and I'm sure the effort is equally as strong in other states. That being said, I can say with some confidence that a good number of COMLs in North Carolina who have had their task books submitted for approval are hams! The DHS OEC staff just last week came to North Carolina for our second State Communications Interoperability Summit. There were many hams in attendance, and among the many events and training opportunities, with Amateur Radio having a major role in this Summit, there was a two day exercise for COML students from previous COML courses and a small number of students demonstrated all the task book capabilities to multiple COML qualified evaluators so that some or all of their COML tasks could be signed off by DHS and State qualified evaluators for submission to our State Interoperability Executive Committee, which certifies COMLs here.

North Carolina has led the way in the number of ARES operators getting ICS course completion as well as AUXCOMM training: North Carolina ARES/MARS/AUXCOMM hams are in exercises and real-world demonstrations, showing our served agencies the benefits of having a partnership with NIMS/ICS-trained Amateur Radio operators serving the emergency response agencies in our State, along with the communities they protect and support. -- P. A. Sadowski, AH6LS, IT Manager, North Carolina State Highway Patrol Technical Services Unit, Raleigh, North Carolina

==> ARES SUPPORTS MAJOR EXTREME RACING EVENT IN KENTUCKY

The United States Adventure Race Association (USARA) National Championship Extreme Racing event was held October 7 to 8, 2011 in McCreary County, Kentucky. It is a cross country extreme Ironman event consisting of three person coed teams from across the United States, involving hiking, biking, canoeing, and orienteering.

The event was coordinated at Cumberland Falls State Park, with the race starting at Blue Heron in the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area at 8:00 AM on Friday. The first team finished exactly 20 hours and 15 minutes later in the early morning hours of Saturday.

Communications was provided by Region 5 ARES from McCreary, Pulaski, and Whitley counties, Kentucky. Operators were positioned at six

Transition Areas, and reported arrivals and departures of each team at each Areas.

Many legs were involved, starting with a short hike from the start point before the teams transitioned to mountain bikes. An orienteering course tested the teams' map and compass ability. At Bell Farm the teams started a time trial event called "The King of the Mountain," which tested the teams' endurance for a climb to the top of Peter's Mountain Lookout Tower. More biking was followed by the teams transitioning to canoes to paddle a distance of 5.7 miles, with another orienteering course at the end of the paddle. More paddling and biking was followed by more orienteering courses. Total distance was 78.2 miles through some of the most beautiful country in the eastern United States.

Lessons Learned

ARES operators performed with excellence, totaling 23 hours of continuous operation. The repeater used was the 444.050 MHz machine, Williamsburg, Kentucky, owned and maintained by Will Jones, KB4PTJ, which offered outstanding coverage including hand-held coverage in most places along the river gorge.

The challenge was the size of the course and the number of operators who were able to volunteer their time and resources to such a major task. I was forced to ask several operators to move from one Transition Point to another to provide information as the contestants checked in and out. I have had a difficult time recruiting enough ARES members and that was the main reason for some lack of coverage.

The ARES net control station (NCS) was established in a room at DuPont Lodge and sent information upstairs to race officials who in turn posted it on the USARA website. Due to limited access of an entry point for our coax and antenna location we were forced to be in a separate room from the race officials. This problem was overcome by the NCS operators' adaptability, relaying reports from the field by texting and sending e-mails to race officials. But, the bottom line is the NCS operation and the USARA bloggers should have been co-located.

Another issue was lack of food for the communications personnel at each Transition Point. Since all operators were informed to bring their own food should none be available, it was not a problem. The lesson is: When deployed on any type of public service event or an actual emergency, an ARES member should be self sustaining, and not rely on being provided with this type of support.

The participation by ARES members from different Kentucky districts was great. Operators fell into place without any problems. NCS was up and running before the race start and was well staffed with four operators and several radios to cover the primary as well as the secondary frequency. Net Control operators were members of the Lake Cumberland ARA, due to their duty-specific training by Don Munsey, AC4DM, Pulaski

County, and performed flawlessly.

Our effort was typical of an actual emergency response and was excellent training for all involved. More information on the race here <http://www.usaranationals.com/home.aspx>. -- Randall E. Gilreath, AD4WB <gilreath@highland.net>, District Emergency Coordinator, District 11 ARES Kentucky Section

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

Here is a news story from my home town of Palm Coast, in Flagler County, Florida, written by Public Information Officer Eddie Cail, KJ4LRB, that I particularly enjoyed:

2012 ARRL KID'S DAY EVENT

By Eddie Cail, KJ4LRB

Flagler County ARES and The Flagler Palm Coast Amateur Radio Club hosted the ARRL Kid's Day event this past Sunday in Palm Coast. Participants included Boy Scout Troop 402 who were working on Radio merit badges and youth from all over the county.

The objective was to get youth on the air and get them interested in Amateur Radio by passing basic traffic over HF and other modes. Children were able to log their traffic and see what it was like to work stations near and far.

Both groups are working to garner youth's interests and advancing their education to the point of obtaining their licenses. FPCARC runs a cadet program year round educating students on various aspects of Amateur Radio and both organizations hope to run similar events during the year.

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42. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-18 21:16:16 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201201182043.q0IKhFk1021747@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3609
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.3 - WEEK 03/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-01-18
We attempt to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further detail please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 **

The MMMonVHF VHF-DX-Portal is happy to invite all VHF enthusiasts
and VHF-DX'ers to join the new survey to identify the "The Best
VHF DX Expedition of the Year 2011". The aim of the survey is to
thank the very hard efforts of those who organized and carried out
so many nice expeditions and trips all around the world on the
VHF bands in the past year 2011. Participation period: 01. January to
31 December - Voting period: 01. January 2012 - 21. January 2012 :
Persons or Groups who organized and carried out some kind of exped.
in the 144 MHz band segment via Meteor Scatter or Earth-Moon-Earth
propagation. Expeditions / Activities have had to be spread out on
the VHF-DX-Portal Make More Miles on VHF in the year 2011 and
must have found their way into the "REVIEW" section of MMMonVHF.
You will be able to vote by selecting a maximum of 5 expeditions
alltogether in TWO categories (MS and EME) by ticking the box
in front of the expeditions. The voting page will be available by
direct link at http://www.mmmonvhf.de/voting.php from up 1 st of
January 2012 until 21 st of January 2012. Results in February 2012.
SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the MMMonVHF Team

** Atleticoteam goes Africa, 144 Mhz & 430 Mhz EME **

Hi Folks!
As you already know Atletico-team surprises us each year
with one ormore EME DX-peditions. Remember: PJ4EME 2007,

JW5E 2008, 5Z4EME 2009 (awarded by MMM readers as "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the year 2009), 3B8EME 2010 (awarded by MMM readers as "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the year 2010),C56EME 2011 (worldrecord 144 MHz EME with 361 QSO's!) PJ4X 2011, PJ2/PE1L 2011.
Well, there are serious plans that Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE will travel back to Africa again this year!
Africa came into our blood, there is no other way than to return... and return... and return...
We start with revealing just a bit of our plans: Our goal is big grid KJ. Right! Deep in the heart of Africa. But where? What entity? More details will be revealed later. There must be something left now to guess.
We'll keep you informed!

SOURCE: Rene PE1L via Moonnet

** To: MAP65 users **

If you are a regular user of MAP65, I invite you to try an all-new version of the program, MAP65 2.0. Background information, details about its new features, and installation instructions are described in a document posted at

http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/Beta_Release_of_MAP65_2.0.pdf

If you try this beta release of MAP65 2.0, please provide feedback to this list, or by email direct to me. Future users of the program will surely benefit from your comments, suggestions, and bug reports.

Latest news:
A new revision of the beta release of MAP65 2.0 has been posted at

http://www.physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/MAP65_199r429.exe

(If you need instruction about what is different about MAP65 2.0, and how to install it, go to
http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/Beta_Release_of_MAP65_2.0.pdf)

SOURCE: Joe K1JT via Moonnet

** PSK2k, new meteorscatter software available **

Those who are regular visitors of the ON4KST-chat or the DX-cluster will have noticed that there are stations that are using a new software for meteorscatter (or weak signal QSO's) called PSk2k and found a place around 144.360 MHz.

The software is still in a deveopment state but can be used already and succesfull QSO's are reported in tropo and MS.

Author of this piece of software is Klaus, DJ5HG. The software is an avanced digital mode for meteorscatter with secure communication by Error Correcting and Error Correcting Codes. It features Auto-Modes for automatic QSO's and is replying automatic to received calls. The program can operate in parallel to WSJT on the same PC on the same soundcard, however the processor-load can be heavy so only at newer types of PC's.

The program will need MATLAB (MCR) installed on your PC and before installing and running PSK2k the use of the tool MCR_test is advised.

Software can be downloaded on the downloadpage from DJ5HG at the URL http://dj5hg.de/dj5hg_download.html

Before installing the software is highly recomended to read the manual as setting up the software is taking more time and you need some things to get it running.

A PSK2k User Group was founded on Jan. 7th at the group can be found on URL http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/psk2k/ . Reading the posts on the User pages is usefull. You can also find a tool in the section files called testaudio.zip . As setting up the RX/TX audio is not so easy as in WSJT, this tool will help you. Founder of the User group is Roger, GW4WND.

Remember, the software is still in development so not everything is perfect yet. Feedback is welcome. And remember...the way of decoding is different than FSK441 in WSJT where you were able to decode als signals and partial messages. PSK2k will decode it all or nothing and only what is general or for your eyes only....you will not be able to decode signals that are for other stations.

SOURCE: DJ5HG and the PSk2k User Group

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** FG4KH on 144 MHz April 12th to April 26th **

FG4KH (FK96) is annouced to be QRV on 144 MHz in the period between April 12 and April 26 2012. Further details are on URL http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/

The 432 MHz expedition ended and QSL's will be send when ready.

SOURCE: Philippe, F1DUZ, to Moon-Net, Jan. 18th.

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** UT1FG/MM **

Yuri, UT1FG, who is traveling across the Atlantic Ocean and is activating "Wet Grids", has been reported last week (Jan. 11-Jan. 18) in the JO55 area. He has been on 144 MHz SSB and on satellite.If you need wet squares next week might be your chance.

** Conway Reef, 3D2C **

3D2C, CONWAY REEF. Operators Hrane/YT1AD (Team leader), David/K3LP
(Technical Co-leader), Aleksey/UA4HOX (Organization Co-leader), Paul/
N6PSE (PR), Atilano/PY5EG, Vasily/RW4NW, David/WD5COV, Carlos/EA1IR,
Joe/AA4NN, David/AH6HY, Alan/AD6E, Gabriele/I2VGW and Alan/K6SRZ (Medical
Doctor) and possibly two others (spots are open!) will be active as 3D2C
from Conway Reef (OC-112) between September 25th and October 6th. Most
of these operators were active from Rotuma as 3D2R last year. Activity
will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31.
The 3D2C team will be active from Conway Reef on 2m and 6 EME using
WSJT65 (A,B,C) on 50.375 MHz and 144.375 MHz. A 6 meter beacon will be
active on 50.095 MHz. QSL via YT1AD, direct (w/SAE or SASE + 1 USD for
normal postage, 2 USDs for Airmail) or by the Bureau. For more details
and updates, visit the 3D2C Web page at: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

**Maladives, 8Q **

8Q, MALDIVES (Date Change). Operators Bert/CX3AN and Mario/CX4CR will be
active as 8Q7HU from Maafushi Island, Kaafu Atoll (AS-013), between
February 6-15th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the
Digital modes. There will be a special emphasis on South America.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

** Malpelo Island, HK0NA **

HK0NA DXPEDITION (Latest News Dated January 12th). The following press
release is from the HK0NA Web page [edited]: "The 'Fabulous Four' (Faber/
HK6F, Jim/HK1N, Bolmar/HK1MW and Salim/HK1T) advance team continue their
work of building the infrastructure for HK0NA with emphasis shifting now
to OP. A (top of the mountain). And ..in their spare time making some QSOs
with the deserving.
Of course, we are hearing from a small minority that they are doing
everything wrong and not listening here or there or whatever. May we
suggest to you and everyone be patient, and remember that 16 more operators
will be there the morning of the 21st for up to 17 days.
Yesterday the DXCC desk confirmed that QSOs made by the advance team,
when they used their individual calls, will count for DXCC purposes.
Those logs will not be available until after the DXpedition concludes.
May we suggest that you work HK0NA also.
We intend to upload the HK0NA logs to ClubLog soon after the arrival
of the main operating team. Don't bother checking the 'Log Online' until
then.
Lastly, our volunteer pilots kindly request that you not contact them
until after the main operation begins! .... Thanks to all!"

ADDED NOTE: Some pictures are now available and can be viewed on the
HK0NA Web page under "Camp Setup". For more details and updates, visit:
http://hk0na.com
LATEST MINUTE UPDATE: The HK0NA Web page is reporting: "For the last
couple of nights there have been many bogus HK0NA spots on the clusters.
While there is a limited operation by the advance crew, and thus some
of the spots are valid, one or more 'slims' are apparently calling CQ
using the HK0NA call." Read the whole press release on the Web page for
more details under "Latest News".

I heard from the trip leader, and they may be open to consider 6m EME
after January
25. Watch their website for details, including the frequency.
Lance Collister, W7GJ

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045 & Magic Band EME 6m EME DXpedition Updates

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** Ogasawara, JD1 **

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1
from Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

43. [RAC-Bulletin] British Columbia QSO Party - 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-19 06:34:58 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F17BA4E.4030707@rac.ca>
Source record: 3610
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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British Columbia QSO Party - 2012
2012-01-18

Thanks to Rebecca Kimoto VA7BEC for sending this contest entry.

BC QSO Party 2012 [BCQP-2012]

When: 1600z Feb 4 to 0400z Feb 5, 2012 UTC
Exchange: Federal electoral district for BC stations and
province/state for non-BC stations.
Sponsor: Orca DX and Contest Club
Website: http://orcadxcc.org/bcqp.html
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Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor


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44. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 22 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-19 10:09:26 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <be594b0b-ec05-443c-9630-7fe2f9967a03@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3611
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-01-22.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - Jan 22 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
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Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 22 2012.

Don't forget the AX prefix can replace VK prefix for 26 January

Kids in VK6 win chance to speak to ISS

TV FIRST TRANSMISION IN VK IN 1800'S

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 22 2012.

The World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 (WRC-12) is being held in
Geneva, Switzerland from 23 January to 17 February 2012.

The Australian delegation, led by the ACMA, will include ACMA Chairman,
Chris Chapman, for the first week of the conference and Maureen Cahill,
General Manager Communications Infrastructure, operational Head of the
Australian delegation.

Dale Hughes VK1DSH is representing the WIA and the amateur service.

There are 35 agenda items for WRC-12, including agenda Item 1.23
"to consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415-526.5 kHz
to the amateur service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to
protect existing services".

Dale will be reporting regularly to the WIA Board.

(Sourced from WIA Front Page News)

Successful Prosecution

WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI writing on WIA Front Page News (wia.org.au) says a 63 year old man from Melbourne's Western suburbs pleaded guilty in the Werribee Magistrates Court January 11 to several offences under the Radiocommunications Act.

The offences, unlicensed operation of a radiocommunications device, unlawful possession of a radiocommunications device and causing interference to radiocommunications carry penalties of up to two years' imprisonment.

The prosecution followed an extensive investigation into alleged breaches of the Radiocommunications Act.

The court was told that, until August 2009, the defendant had been a licensed amateur radio operator but was investigated by the ACMA following extensive complaints about interference. As a result of the investigation by its Compliance Operations, Field Operations and Interference Management and Monitoring Sections, the ACMA cancelled the defendant's amateur licence.

It was alleged that the defendant continued to regularly use his amateur transmitter from his home, contrary to the Radiocommunications Act, deliberately causing interference to licensed radio amateurs.

After further complaints, the ACMA traced the interference back to the defendant's home a number of times. However, despite warnings from the ACMA, the complaints continued. The execution of a search warrant by the ACMA in September 2011 confirmed that the defendant had a large amount of radiocommunications equipment, contrary to the Act.

Tests confirmed that the equipment was set to the radio frequencies that had been interfered with.

The court placed the defendant on a 12-month good behaviour bond, ordered him to dispose of all of the seized equipment within four months and to prove to the ACMA in writing that he had disposed of the equipment.

Western Australia marks 50th Anniversary of Perth as the 'City of Light'

On February 20, this year, WA will celebrate the 50th anniversary of a very significant event. On that day in 1962, John Glenn became the first American to orbit the Earth in the Friendship 7 spacecraft.

On this mission, John flew over Perth and the people of Perth turned on their lights to acknowledge his mission. John observed that the city was clearly visible from space and Perth became known worldwide as the 'City of Light'.

This early space exploration mission set the stage for the Gemini and Apollo programs which culminated in NASA landing men on the moon.

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of John Glenn's orbit, on Monday Feb 20 an outdoor public event will be staged in the Northbridge Piazza, featuring

a live audio and video link to the International Space Station as it orbits the Earth.

This free public event is being organised by the State Records Office of Western Australia and the WA Museum working with the City of Perth.

State Archivist Cathrin Cassarchis said the highlight of the event will be an opportunity for young people to speak with and ask questions of the astronauts on the International Space Station.

10 young people will be selected through an online competition in which they are asked to come up with their original questions for the astronauts.

The school aged children will ask their questions to the astronauts on the ISS as they are streamed live on the big screen at the Northbridge Piazza," said Ms Cassarchis.

The world wide ARISS network will be setting up the link between the Space Station and Perth and assisted by the Hills Amateur Radio Club

City of Perth Lord Mayor, Lisa Scaffidi said the City was pleased to be involved in hosting a free public event that engaged the community and recalled a very significant event in Perth's history.

School aged children in WA ONLY!! are encouraged to enter the competition by submitting their questions to the astronauts on the International Space Station at the Western Australian Museum website http://www.museum.wa.gov.au/city-lights

Entries close on 29 January 2012 and winners will be contacted by the State Records Office by 2 February 2012.

This has been Tony, VK5ZAI the Australian National coordinator for ARISS

Decision time for leap seconds

The International Earth Rotation and Reference Systems Service has decided to add a leap second to Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) at the end of June 2012.

The most recent leap was added on December 31, 2008. They have been necessary because of the Earth's unpredictable rotation.

UTC is based on highly accurate atomic clocks, but has been kept more or less synchronised with mean solar time by way of leap seconds.

A revision of Standard-frequency and time-signal emissions will be voted by the International Telecommunication Union Radiocommunication Assembly meeting, immediately before the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012.

If approved it will eliminates them by 2018. Leap seconds were introduced in 1972.

Meantime with this being a so called leap year, February will have a total of 29 days instead of the usual 28, to make up for our rotation around the Sun.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

YL International Meet 03-09 May 2012 Update

ALARA President Tina VK5TMC has 47 YLs registered!

If you are going to join the meet then time to register is running out fast.

Registrations will need to close by the end of February for the Ghan and early March for the Adelaide Meet.

Unfortunately there has been a change the Ghan trip at what organisers consider the last minute. The Meet travel agent has been advised by Great Southern Rail (the Ghan train operator) that all Wednesday trains have been cancelled including the scheduled Meet trip from Adelaide to Alice Springs!

The Meet travel agent tried very hard to get the operator to reconsider (considering planning for the event has been going on for four years now) however the operator was adamant, no trains on Wednesday.

Organisers say that an alternative plan will be put in place!

(sourced to theTARCinc)

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Regular listeners will be aware that the WIA news team has reciprocal arrangements with other amateur radio news services. These services may pick your club news item and place it on their own web site with credit to the WIA as the news source. However you can find that that same item is read and spread around the world from that secondary source.

This is why you can expand your club's presence in the world of amateur radio by submitting news items for broadcast. A good club web site is a great tool for your members but please remember our broadcast team gives their own time to compile and distribute the news. Just like you they don't have time to search the internet for your news "gem".

Remember if an item is good enough for your web site, it is good enough for WIA News.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

An example or two, this story was sent to us from the Summerland Club this week,

WHEN WAS THE FIRST TV TRANSMISSION MADE IN AUSTRALIA?

It was the 3rd of November, 1885.

1885!

Seems the '85 Melbourne Cup was transmitted to Ballarat, Victoria.

AND was Reported to be very satisfactory.

Henry Sutton via telegraph line used Nipkow disc equipment he built himself.

Henry was known as "Australia's Edison".

Alexander Graham Bell even went to Ballarat to see him and his inventions
and it's said he was 'very impressed'.

Sutton should be better recognised, unfortunately he was on the wrong side
of the World.

Resource urls' include
http://www.iceinspace.com.au/forum/archive/index.php/t-74963.html
http://www.heritageaustralia.com.au/pdfs/Heritage1105_Henry%20Sutton.pdf

The other example of club news making national and world wide news when sent
to the National News Services comes from Tim Goodrich, N5ASH, known locally
to radio listeners as Skeeter Nash:-

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF COUNTRY MUSIC LEGEND JOHNNY CASH

Members of my club, the Northeast Arkansas Radio
Club will be sponsoring the first ever Johnny
Cash Birthday Celebration Special Event
Station. This, on what would have been the late
Country Music Hall of Fame and Rock and Roll Hall
of Fame members 80th birthday.

The Johnny Cash Birthday Celebration Special
Event Station will take to the air on Sunday,
February 26th using the special call sign
N5C. You can listen out for it beginning at
18:00 hours UTC which is noon Central U-S
time. We plan to operate for a six hour period
ending around 6 p.m. Central US time. .

N5C will have stations operating SSB on the 80,
40 20 and 10 meter bands. At least one of these
will be located in Dyess Colony, not far from the
house where the Cash family once lived.

Johnny Cash never forgot his roots here in
northeast Arkansas, and we in the amateur radio
community are looking forward to having the
opportunity to honour one of the most recognizable
figures in music history. Those making contact
with N5C will receive a commemorative certificate.

>From Jonesboro, Arkansas, I'm Tim Goodrich,
N5ASH, a-k-a Skeeter Nash of the Northeast
Arkansas Radio Club reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

More information on this celebration can be found
at the Northeast Arkansas Radio Club
website. It's located in cyberspace at
nea-rc.org. The club also maintains a Facebook

page at www.facebook.com/nearadioclub

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

CCARC Field Day 2012

Didn't get that special present this Christmas?

Were you on Santa's naughty list?

Don't worry; It's only 34 days until the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Field Day at Wyong - 26th of February 2012.

Amateur Radio's Big Day out is coming up fast!

So get your wish list together, check it twice and grab that special bargain at the largest Amateur Radio gathering in the Southern Hemisphere.

Central Coast Amateur Radio Club Field Day at Wyong

As a new, free, service for 2012 the CCARC are offering to arrange "meet-ups" for Australian clubs and groups attending the field day.

For those wishing to take advantage of the meet-up feature, please register as soon as possible via the form under meet-ups tab on the right hand side of the fieldday.org.au web page. Get in quick as the list will close at shortly.

As usual most major suppliers of amateur radio equipment will be at the Field Day along with the Flea Market, Exhibitors and various amateur radio clubs, for more information, please go to the fieldday.org.au website

Of course, the Field Day raffle is on again this year and the CCARC would like to acknowledge Amateur Transceiver Radio Centre for their donation of a Yaesu VX170 to be included in this year's prize list.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

The countdown continues to the Centre Victoria RadioFest with its family friendly and interesting program.

The commercial traders have loads of stock to sell at competitive prices, all in the dedicated Traders Hall.

There will be plenty on offer too at the second-hand market tables and car-boot space alley.

What sets this event apart from others is that it includes a mini-lecture program and activities. The organisers thank the guest presenters in the mini-lecture program:

There will be Australia's first showing of home-brew digital television,
a look behind the scenes at the ACMA and the Super DX station ZL6QU at
Quartz Hill.

Put it in your diary now.

The Centre Victoria RadioFest at the Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday 12 February.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001
Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

VK4 QNEWS

VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2011 - 2012 QAC YEAR

VK4MUJ Jean Bowden passed away 2nd January 2012 advised by VK4ZZ
VK4BAY Roy Mahoney January 2012 advised by VK4BSH

Welcome to QNEWS from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

During the TV silly season when programmes may be worth watching or not, I
did manage to watch a couple of shows that were based on recent history.
Well recent enough for me to have familiarity with the technology,
particularly the electronics.

I am no specialist in this area but magazines, news-reels and cinema brought
the insides of radio stations, TV studios and the ancillary equipment to the
attention of people. What struck me was that great effort had been taken to
use the correct props for the different scenes. Motor vehicles were age
appropriate, as were the coiffure and clothes; furnishings and decor as well
as cutlery all fitted the periods portrayed. However it was the early film
editing suites, the velocity microphones and the TV cameras which really
shone for me.

As I understand, very few production houses now maintain large repositories
of props and the properties are sourced from current owners. Now this would
seem that the boat anchor brigade has a real opportunity to be part of the
TV/stage production and film industries in sourcing and supplying real props
as well as getting some money to help fund the collection and restoration of
items like these.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

CLUBBING

Submitting news items

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Submit audio, read "how to submit items" on the weekly WIA news page.
http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of QNEWS.

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.
Last Monday's technical talk was given by Scott, VK4CZ on the topic of 6 metre DXing, an operator's experience. For Scott, his main interest in Amateur radio was in DXing and for him this meant talking to other countries. Scott's ambition is to achieve a DXCC award for 6 metres.

In Australia this is something of a challenge as all counties are typically more than 1000km distant from Australia and Scott believes that it will take possibly 2 sunspot cycles to achieve this. When asked, why 6 metres? His reply was because it is different to other bands but also at the same time, similar. As it challenges operators on both technical and capability levels and it attracts some of the best DXers from around the world.

Scott said that the band had a number myths associated with it like:
You can work the world on a piece of wet string!!;
It's either open or closed;
You have to call CQ to find out if the band is open;
It is only ever open in summer and
You can work DXCC in less than 12 months (in Europe).

Scott went on to outline what he believed are the best strategies for an Australian amateur to be successful on 6 metres. He said that there are both tips for operation and tools that should be used. These include:
Use propagation predictors;
Listen for Out of Band Indicators that is Remote TV stations below the band;
Beacons in Band;
Good operating practices and using the internet to use tools such as ionisation indicators and MUF maps found at
http://www.ips.gov.au/ and
http://www.spacew.com/www/realtime.php

Regrettably some of the Out of Band indicators are being shut down in the 49 and 50 MHz bands essentially the analogue TV stations and these will probably have disappeared by 2014.

Scott had found the following operating practices provided greatest success.
Follow the band plan;
Utilise Indicators and Tools;
Practice the DX Code of Conduct;
Learn CW;
Be prepared to listen to lots of white noise;
Listen carefully (contacts are likely to be 5x1);
Tune to Out of Band and In Band key indicators;
Listen (again!!) and
Tune the beacons.

For Scott, this summer has been very successful so far, as he had made contact with 15 countries so far. Despite the heavy rain which limited the

numbers attending, all club members thought it was a most interesting talk and certainly gave them some avenues to follow for more successful operation.

Thanks Scott!

Well this is about all at the moment and so it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

Ipswich & District Radio Club
P.O. Box 250
Ipswich Qld 4305
Web - www.vk4wip.com
Email - vk4wip@wia.org.au
Main 2 meter repeater - 146.900, linked to 438.375 and 439.300

Now a roundup of news from the Ipswich and District Radio Club.

With the recently upgraded 2 meter repeater on 146.900 at The Knobby near Glamorganvale here's a reminder that the club conducts a daily morning net at 8am and a Tuesday night 'feather duster' net at 7.30pm local time.

The main Ipswich repeater is linked to 438.375 Ipswich city. It is also linked 439.300 on Spring Mountain - providing a linked repeater system through three transmitter which offers improved coverage to most of Brisbane's Southside, eastern suburbs of Ipswich and Logan areas. Whether you are portable, mobile or home station VK4RAI Ipswich and VK4RSM Spring Mountain offers extended coverage of the region. Both 70cm repeaters require a 91.5hz tone for access.

Every Tuesday the club's weekly 80 metre net is on 3.585 MHz Each week we are keen to hear from first timers to the club's net, so why not turn off the TV and join us for a couple of overs on Tuesday night.

The club meets twice a month at 7:30pm on the second and fourth Mondays, with the second Monday a social meeting and the fourth the business meeting. The first business meeting for the year is tomorrow night at the clubhouse, Deebing Street, Denmark Hill.

Don't forget you can also keep up to date on news and events at the club website - vk4wip.com

Reporting from Ipswich, this is Allan VK4FABR.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

When I came out of the examination room where I'd just passed my Foundation License, after the obligatory congratulations and back slaps, I walked out into the sun and wondered:

"Now what?"

At the time I knew two Amateurs and had met the people in my classroom. Since then I've become an active participant in Amateur Radio.

Recently I was having lunch with some other Amateurs and we were talking about how their journey evolved from graduation to their current level of involvement.

The key was "Information".

I've talked here about how I went
about selecting a radio, an antenna and the like, but there was a step before that, one that each new Amateur needs to make and that is finding the community.

Ironically, while you're listening to this, you've already found us, you already have a link to other Amateurs, but you might have graduated with other people who are not so fortunate, so firstly I'd like to encourage you to contact those people and link up with them.

Of course listening to me talking is not really interaction and I'm not the fountain of knowledge. Instead I'd encourage you to seek out other sources of information. The obvious ones are clubs and the Internet, but less obvious ones exist in the form of Amateurs who've been around the block more than a few times.

Having lunch with Amateurs who have had their license as long as you've been alive is an interesting pass-time, especially when the guy on the other side pipes up and confesses that he has had his license longer than your parents have been alive.

This Amateur Radio caper is a hobby, it's fun, it's a diversion from your day-to-day life and an opportunity to learn new things from new people. Keep your eyes and ears open and soon you too will start finding other like minded individuals.

In the meantime, listen to the Amateur Radio news,
participate in online fora, visit local clubs and remember that this hobby touches all walks of life across the globe.

Enjoy.

I'm Onno - VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Army MARS resumes use of WinLink 2000

It appears the Army Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS) has reversed its decision to phase out WinLink 2000.

The ARRL reports:

According to Pudge Forrester, AA9GL, government liaison for Army MARS, Lieutenant General Susan Lawrence has reversed the decision to phase out the use of the WinLink 2000 global radio e-mail system by Army MARS members.

Ms Lawrence stated that the Army, after reviewing its capabilities, had decided that the continued use of WinLink 2000 was a valuable asset to Army MARS members and agencies that were using the service.

She issued a statement to that effect on December 21, 2011.

On January 5, 2012, the Chief of Army MARS officially notified his membership that the phase out notice had been rescinded.

Army MARS members and agencies who had been using the service hailed the decision by Ms Lawrence and resumed use of WinLink 2000.

FCC GREEN LIGHTS STA FOR TEXAS HAM TO RUN HF SPREAD SPECTRUM

The FCC has granted Philip J. Williams, KA1GMN, of Euless, Texas, a Special Temporary Authority or STA to conduct Spread Spectrum experiments on 160 through 2 meters.

The 6 month authorization takes effect February 1st and expires on July 31st. It limits Williams to a maximum 2.5 kHz of signal bandwidths at 100 watts effective radiated power. Williams was directed by the FCC to use the Experimental Station call letters WF9XJD during his investigational Spread Spectrum transmissions.

Previous experiments with Spread Spectrum technology have been conducted on the ham radio bands at 222 MHz and above where this mode of transmission is already legal. The Special Temporary Authority granted to Williams is the first permitting Spread Spectrum experimentation on the High Frequency and lower VHF bands.

Bomb threat shuts Cyprus radio & TV for three hours

Staff were evacuated from the premises of the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation Monday last after a bomb threat was phoned into the station.

According to an informed source a threat was phoned in twice to the main switchboard, firstly at 1020 UTC, then again just after 1100 UTC.

Few details are known about the actual threat, but dozens of police officers, fire and explosives experts cordoned off the sprawling complex, with TV and radio services forced off air. The studios were evacuated and after a search lasting three hours, police gave the all clear.

CyBC is Cyprus's public broadcasting service, transmitting island-wide on four radio and two television channels.

ITU receives Emmy Award

This for new audio broadcast standard Recommendation which aims to standardise loudness metering on TV.

The annual Technology and Engineering Emmy recognizes the ground-breaking work on the worldwide standardization of loudness metering for use in broadcast audio, which the Academy considered as outstanding and showing excellence in engineering creativity.

ITU-R Recommendation BS.1770 on "Algorithms to measure audio programme loudness and true-peak audio level" was elaborated over a decade as a result of the dedication of many specialists including Craig Todd of Dolby Laboratories, USA; Gilbert Soulodre of Communications Research Centre, Canada; and Spencer Lieng of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

The standard was finalized during the last study period within ITU-R Working Party 6C under the Chairmanship of David Wood of the European Broadcasting Union. The pertinent algorithm and the agreed parameters are now contained in the ITU-R Recommendation approved by ITU Member States, giving worldwide guidance on loudness metering.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

DIY RADIO NEWS: CQ TO INTRODUCE MAKER COLUMN

CQ magazine will introduce a quarterly "Maker" column, to be written by Matt Stultz, KB3TAN, that will appear in the March, June, September and December issues of the magazine.

KB3TAN is the founder of "HackPittsburgh. This is a community workshop for makers in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He has been a ham since 2009 and has integrated amateur radio into many of HackPittsburgh's activities.

As already reported, the hacker and maker movement is a worldwide do-it-yourself phenomenon among mostly younger, tech-savvy individuals who enjoy hands-on tinkering and experimenting with electronics, crafts and similar projects. Many "makers" are not familiar with amateur radio, even though hams have been "makers" since the dawn of radio. CQ says that the goal of this column to help build and strengthen bridges between the amateur radio and the maker communities.

MULTIPLE LANGUAGE VERSIONS OF THE DIY MAGIC OF AMATEUR RADIO

And speaking of the maker and hacker communities, while it's not even been out a month, there appear to be several groups that have either asked permission to translate the ARRL's new the DIY Magic of Amateur Radio video into other languages or are already undertaking such a project.

Since its release last December 27th, word is that versions with either sub titles or

over-dubbed audio are being prepared by
individuals or groups around the globe in the
Spanish, Portuguese and possibly even Russian
languages. And these are the ones that are known about.

Also, Tom Medlin who hosted the December 27th
release of the video on his W5KUB website has
made available some statistics. These show that
the new video had viewers in Canada, Venezuela,
Mexico, Argentina, France, Cayman Islands, Puerto
Rico and New Zealand as well as across the United States.

Those who have not yet seen the new video can do
so on-line on YouTube in English at
tinyurl.com/arrl-diy-movie. You can also watch
it or download it at www.arrl.org/DIY.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

Don't forget the AX prefix can replace VK prefix for 26 January

VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest CLOSES January 31
VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80 metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160 metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

On ANZAC Day, 25th of April 2012, a group of Amateurs in North Queensland,
Tableland Radio Group, are encouraging amateurs to operate on AM and CW
modes during the afternoon and evening of ANZAC Day as a mark of remembrance
to the servicemen and women who served our countries during time of conflict.

AM and CW were modes used by radio operators and signallers during WW2 and
in Korea, Malaysian and early in Viet Nam so, by using those modes, it shows
that we Radio Amateurs are remembering them in our own special manner.
Hopefully our New Zealand cousins will join in the activity as the ANZAC
spirit is an integral part of both our countries.

This is NOT a contest and we simply ask Amateurs to switch to AM and CW to
experience the attributes of those old modes.

As regards frequencies its simply staying on the usual net frequencies BUT
change the mode.

If it's possible we ask that ex-Navy Ships, Military Museums, fortifications,
Warbirds,Radio museums etc etc be used to operate from.

On conclusion please send an article to Amateur Radio Magazine to show
others what you have done.

vk4mike@yahoo.com.au

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Amateur Radio station celebrating Chinese New Year

Neoh, 9M2CLN, station master for the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS), announced that the special event callsign, 9M4CNY, will be active to celebrate the 'Chinese New Year Cultural And Heritage Celebration 2012' from Penang Island (AS-015) on January 29th, between 0700-1600z.

Suggested frequency are 14288 kHz and 7088 kHz, SSB only.

QSL only direct to address on QRZ.com

VK5CP HOLIDAY STYLE

"I will be operating in 'holiday mode' from LORD HOWE ISLAND as VK5CP/9 from 19 January 2012 to 24 January 2012.

I will be using a IC7000, LDG Z2Pro Tuner and a Buddistick vertical antenna. I will be focusing on 30M (data), 20M and 6M depending on conditions. I have a signalink USB interface and Mix W software. Key data modes will be PSK31 and RTTY. I will try 30M first as I understand this is a much wanted mode/band. I dont expect that I will be loud but hopefully the data modes will make things easier for those that need LHI.

I will post QSOs via LOTW and EQSL upon my return to VK5. Please QSL via VK5CP (and be patient as I will have to print some cards).

73 de Chris VK5CP

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Lost Islands of Central Arctic

Tomas NW7US has made available on YouTube a 58-minute movie of an amateur radio DX-pedition to the 'Lost Islands of Central Arctic'.

In April 2001, a team of amateur radio operators and support team members embarked on a journey to the "Lost Islands of Central Arctic", an area above Russia, just shy of the permanently-frozen arctic circle.

These Islands were at one time never marked on any map, as they were strategic military 'assets' of the USSR. Now, they are documented and in this Diary, you get to journey with the expeditionary team. Narration is in English.

They went from Island to Island, spending time at each, to 'activate' the island on the amateur radio bands. This is a fantastic documentary of this expedition.

Islands included in the near hour long movie:
+ RI0B (AS-156) USHAKOVA Isl. (IOTA New one)
+ RU0B (AS-057) UYEDINENIYA Isl.
+ RS0B/P(AS-057) ISACHENKO Isl.
+ RS0B/P(AS-068) MONA Isl.
+ R3CA/0

Team members:
+ RA0BM - Victor
+ UA9OBA - Yuri
+ R3CA - Vladimir
+ RW3GW - Valery
+ RZ9OO - Alexender
+ RV0AR - Pavel
+ UA0BA - Andrey
+ RX9ULT/9 - Andrey

There were also other supporting team members, like Evgeniy and Boris, plus the helicopter crew, including Igor, Leonid, the Mi8 Helicopter crew with Sergey.

Please subscribe to my channel. I am on Twitter: @NW7US http://NW7US.us/

Watch Lost Islands - An Amateur Radio Polar Diary 2001

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

School looking for worldwide D-Star contacts

A school in the village of Gresham, UK, will be running an amateur radio special event station using the DSTAR digital network.

The date of the event is not until 23rd May and the callsign will be GB2GVS (Gresham Village School). The children are aged 6 to 11.

Andy, 2E0AIV says they have arranged link-ups with schools in Northern Ireland, USA and England, but we are looking for more countries and schools to participate particularly anyone up at that time 'down under'.

Andy@2e0avi@2e0aiv.co.uk

The Children of today are the future generation of Electronic experts and Amateur Radio Operators, and we feel that this is an opportunity to engage with youngsters to the benefit of all."

(sourced to southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

QRP to the ISS

Doug Cook KD5PDN's article about contacting the International Space Station with a few watts and a shoestring budget antenna is now available.

The article "QRP to the ISS" appeared in the February issue of QST magazine and with permission from the ARRL, can now be downloaded from Clint Bradford K6LCS's website.

Doug walks the reader through building a simple tape measure beam, and how to successfully work the ISS with it and a handheld radio.

Read the article at

http://www.work-sat.com/Work-Sat/Sat_Skeds_files/QRP-ISS_2.pdf

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

The half-way point for ILLW

The 100th entry in the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is the Moritzburg Lighthouse, Germany.

It was built in 1770 next to a lake and miniature harbour for the King to Saxony for entertaining imitation naval battles.

Contest style station DM2C at a lighthouse expects to work CW, SSB and PSK31. Each contact will receive a QSL card through the bureau.

With seven months to go Australia is in the lead accounting for a third of all entries so far, with Germany on 16, the USA 12 followed by England having nine.

Among the other early representatives are Argentina, Belgium, Chile, Denmark, France, Honduras, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Poland, Romania, Scotland, Sweden and Wales.

Only a quarter of regular countries have joined at this stage and hundreds of entries are yet to be received.

It was a record last year with 470 entries including 19 Lightships and 55 countries involved. The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, a 48 hour fun event, is always on the third full weekend of August.

The founder of the annual event was Mike Dalrymple GM4SUC, who passed away in December 2005 and operated from Turnberry Lighthouse with the Ayr Amateur Radio Group.

Check out the availability of a lighthouse or lightship now and register it. For guidelines, an entry form and other full information about August the 18th and 19th this year visit the website illw.net

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

JAN 23-FEB 17 YEAR 2012
World Radio Conference Geneva 23rd January TO 17th February 2012

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FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on
wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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45. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 19 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-19 13:32:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f646715ffab0104b6df9ece@google.com>
Source record: 3612
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S5mqWvf9v48/january_19.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Conditions are not improving at all. Week days were average to poor and the
weekend better, but not exactly sparkling

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Amateur Radio sites support SOPA and PIPA protest

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2SPmrfFsrYE/amateur_radio_sites_support_sopa_and_pipa_protest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio hams were among those protesting on Wednesday against the SOPA and
PIPA legislation in the US Congress and Senate

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QST Monthly Digital Edition - coming June 2012!

Posted:
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The ARRL are launching a digital version of their magazine QST that will be
available with International Membership for $39 (£25)

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Amateur Radio Instructors' Newsletter

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The January 2012 issue of the Amateur Radio Instructuctors' Newsletter is
now available for download

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7 MHz interference from All India Radio ceases

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aDCzQ48GYf4/7_mhz_interference_from_all_india_radio_ceases.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DK2OM reports that the interference to the amateur radio 7 MHz band from
All India Radio has ceased

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New Clubs and Training section for RSGB website

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_Scl18jodK0/rsgb_clubs_and_training_section.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As part of ongoing improvements to the RSGB website, there is a new section
called Clubs and Training with a host of new features for clubs

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N8OFS/P in 'CX' Classic Exchange Febuary Phone Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iK-mfElIpFY/cx_classic_exchange.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andy, N8OFS/P will be in the 'CX' Classic Exchange Febuary Phone Contest
defending his title as 'Highest FM Score' from last September's Contest,
and trying for the 'Most Unusual QTH'

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New Irish broadcasting charge may replace TV licence

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C7N2zCQTuko/new_irish_broadcasting_charge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ireland’s Minister for Communications has confirmed that he is considering
a new household broadcasting charge to replace the television licence fee

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Conway Reef DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HPGknAAm-Y0/conway_reef.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team of 13 operators, and possibly two others (spots are open!) will be
active as 3D2C from Conway Reef (OC-112) between September 25th and October
6th

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British Columbia QSO Party - 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8Xg86g3Fe_w/british_columbia_qso_party.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The British Columbia QSO Party - 2012, organised by the Orca DX and Contest
Club, will take place on 4th-5th of February

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Sable Island DXpedition update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aHQJdNcpvgA/sable_island_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The CY0 dxpedition team are in the process of rescheduling their operation

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Turkish Special Event Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O5Sby8-hw98/tc2012wkd.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Special Wireless Activity Team (TCSWAT) and the Giresun
Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club (GITRAD), in collaboration with
Turkish Society of Nephrology-Istanbul Branch, will be on the air as
TC2012WKD on March 8th

46. The ARRL Letter for January 19, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-19 22:56:30 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120119204136.9A06024E05@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3613
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS HOLDS 2012 ANNUAL MEETING, OKAYS
ELECTRONIC BALLOTING FOR DIVISION ELECTIONS

The ARRL Board of Directors held its 2012 Annual Meeting January
13-14, 2012 in Windsor, Connecticut, under the chairmanship of
President Kay Craigie, N3KN. Newly elected Delta Division Director
David Norris, K5UZ, attended his first Board meeting as Director. In
addition, two recently elected Vice Directors -- Glen Clayton, W4BDB,
Delta Division, and Dale Williams, WA8EFK, Great Lakes Division --
attended their first Board meeting.

After viewing a demonstration of electronic balloting, the Board
adopted amendments to the ARRL Bylaws that will permit the
implementation of electronic voting in the 2012 fall elections for
Director and Vice Director of the Central, Hudson, New England,
Northwestern and Roanoke Divisions. Plans call for paper ballots still
to be mailed to those members who have not shared their e-mail
addresses with the ARRL, or who simply prefer to cast their votes by
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mail. Supervision of the balloting is the responsibility of the Ethics and Elections Committee. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-of-directors-holds-2012-annual-meeting-okays-electronic-balloting-for-division-elections>.

==> + ARRL BESTOWS AWARDS AT 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

The ARRL Board of Directors had the pleasure and distinction of bestowing three annual awards on six recipients at its 2012 Annual Meeting: The George Hart Distinguished Service Award, the Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award for print, audio and video, and the ARRL International Humanitarian Award. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-bestows-awards-at-2012-annual-meeting>.

==> + ARRL BOARD WELCOMES RICK NISWANDER, K7GM, AS NEW TREASURER

When ARRL Treasurer Jim McCobb, K1LU, announced last year that he would retire after more than three decades of volunteer service to the ARRL, ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, appointed a search committee to find a suitable replacement. The committee received many resumes from League members, and after interviewing several applicants, selected Rick Niswander, K7GM, of Greenville, North Carolina. At the 2012 ARRL Annual Meeting, Niswander was elected by the Board of Directors as the sixth Treasurer of the ARRL.

Niswander -- an ARRL Life Member -- has been the Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance for East Carolina University since 2010, where he is the senior executive responsible for all financial, administrative, and operational activities at the university. Prior to that appointment, he served as ECU's Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs and Dean of its College of Business. He is also a Professor of Accounting at the university. Niswander is also the Executive Treasurer for the ECU Foundation, the ECU Medical Foundation, the ECU Alumni Association and the Pirate Club (the ECU athletic booster club). A Certified Public Accountant since 1981, he holds a BBA in Accounting from Idaho State University and a PhD in Accounting from Texas A&M University. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-welcomes-rick-niswander-k7gm-as-new-treasurer>.

==> + A REMINDER: POSTAGE RATES TO RISE THIS MONTH

Beginning Sunday, January 22, it will cost more to mail first class letters, postcards and packages within the US. The cost to mail a first class letter will be 45 cents, an increase of 1 cent. According to the USPS, this is the first increase since May 2009. The cost of mailing a postcard will be 32 cents, an increase of 3 cents. This is the second increase for postcard postage in less than a year; in April 2011, the USPS boosted the postcard stamp price from 28 cents to 29 cents. You will also pay more to send letters to Canada, Mexico and other international destinations. Click here <http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2011/pr11_factsht_pricechng_101

8.pdf>
for more information on all the postal increases.

==> + ARMY MARS RESUMES USE OF WINLINK 2000

According to Government Liaison for Army MARS
<http://www.netcom.army.mil/mars/> Pudge Forrester, AAA9GL, Lieutenant
General Susan Lawrence has reversed the decision to phase out the use
of the Winlink 2000 <http://www.winlink.org/> global radio e-mail
system by Army MARS members. General Lawrence stated that the Army --
after reviewing its capabilities -- had decided that the continued use
of Winlink 2000 was a valuable asset to Army MARS members and to the
agencies that were using the service. She issued a statement to that
effect on December 21, 2011. On January 5, 2012, the Chief of Army MARS
officially notified his membership that the phase out notice had been
rescinded. Army MARS members and agencies who had been using the
service hailed the decision by General Lawrence and resumed use of
Winlink 2000.

==> + US DISTRICT COURT FOR MAINE ISSUES ORDER GRANTING SUMMARY
JUDGMENT AGAINST GLENN BAXTER, K1MAN

On January 10, the US District Court for Maine issued a ruling in
the FCC's lawsuit to collect monetary forfeitures issued to Glenn
Baxter, K1MAN, of Belgrade Lakes, Maine. The FCC had assessed
forfeitures in the amount of $21,000 against Baxter
<http://www.arrl.org/news/us-charges-k1man-with-failure-to-pay-fine> on
three asserted violations of the Communications Act of 1934 and its
regulations: Failure to respond to an FCC inquiry in violation of Title
47, Section 308 of the US Code
<http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/html/uscode47/usc_sec_47_00000308----000-.
html>,
willful or malicious interference with other radio transmissions in
violation of Section 97.101(d)
<http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=47ae9117aa64a743f2b
dfb3db7c32da6&rgn=div8&view=text&node=47:5.0.1.1.6.2.157.1&idno=47>,
and engaging in communications in which he has a pecuniary interest in
violation of Section 97.113(a)(3)
<http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=47ae9117aa64a743f2b
dfb3db7c32da6&rgn=div8&view=text&node=47:5.0.1.1.6.2.157.7&idno=47>.

Chief US District Judge John A. Woodcock Jr, in writing for the Court,
agreed with the FCC on the first two counts -- willful or repeated
failure to respond to FCC requests for information, and willful or
malicious interference -- and granted summary judgments to the FCC in
the amount of $3000 and $7000, respectively. On the third claim --
communications in which an amateur station licensee or control operator
has a pecuniary interest -- the Court declined to grant a summary
judgment to the FCC, holding that there were issues of material fact to
be litigated in the Court in later proceedings. Find a link to the
complete decision here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/us-district-court-for-maine-confirms-summary-judgme

nt-against-glenn-baxter-k1man>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Fooling me like the Sun in the winter
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4HVdT3D820Y>" Cook, K7RA, reports: New sunspot groups appeared on every day over the past week. On January 12, new sunspot group 1396 appeared, and the next day two more -- 1397 and 1398 -- popped into view. On January 14, four new sunspot groups appeared: 1399, 1400, 1401 and 1402. January 15 saw group 1391 vanish and new group 1403 emerge. Two more appeared January 16 -- 1404 and 1405 -- while 1397 vanished. On January 17, 1406 appeared and 1395 disappeared, while 1407 emerged on January 18. The average daily sunspot numbers rose this week, from 90.6 to 116.9, while the solar flux stayed about the same, changing from 134.9 to 133.4. The latest predictions have a solar flux of 150 on January 19-20, 155 on January 21-22, 160 on January 23-25, 155 on January 26, 140 on January 27-29, and 135 on January 30-February 6; we are still looking for a solar flux peak of 165 on February 17-21. The predicted flux values of 160 on January 23-25 are markedly higher than the 145 predicted last week for the same dates. The predicted planetary A index is 6, 8, 5, 8 and 12 on January 19-23, and 5 on January 24 through the end of the month. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, January 20. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Max Graham's Sun in Winter
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Max_Graham>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- January 20 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 21 -- Feld Hell Sprint; LZ Open Contest
- January 21-22 -- North American QSO Party (SSB); Hungarian DX Contest; YL-ISSB QSO Party (SSB)
- January 21-23 -- ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
<http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf-sweepstakes>
- January 25 -- SKCC Sprint
- January 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- January 27 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 27-29 -- CQ 160 Meter Contest (CW)
- January 28-29 -- BARTG RTTY Sprint; REF Contest (CW); UBA DX Contest (SSB); SPAR Winter Field Day
- January 28 -- WAB 1.8 MHz Phone Contest
- January 29 -- QRP ARCI Fireside SSB Sprint
- January 29-30 -- Classic Exchange (CW)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 27-28 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capitol-city-hamfest-1>, Jackson, Mississippi
- February 4 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>, Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>, Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-hamcation-1>, Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>, Yuma, Arizona
- February 18 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie, Arkansas
- February 25 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>, South Burlington, Vermont
- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest>, Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-hamfest-2>, Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>, Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana-hamfest>, Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest-1>, Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-tm>,

Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
>,
Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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47. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1797 - January 20 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-20 12:29:31 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120120100003.9C8DD33C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3614
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1797 - January 20 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1797 with a release date of
January 20th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. QRZ.com joins the fight to kill the SOPA act
now in congress; MARS resumes using Winlink; D-Star will be going
on-orbit later this year and a tribute to the man who guided the change
from vacuum tubes to solid state. Find out the details are on Amateur
Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1797 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO LAW: QRZ.COM JOINS THE FIGHT TO STOP SOPA AND PIPA

The giant QRZ.com ham radio website has joined the fight to stop
passage of SOPA, the Stop Online Piracy Act, and PIPA, a similar bill
working its way through the U-S Senate. Amateur Radio Newsline's Robert
Sudock, WB6FDF, reports on why QRZ.com and its owner Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ
is taking this hard-line stand.

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Why should ham radio care about these two bills? According to
publisher Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, the measures are sponsored by Hollywood
entertainment corporations and the recording industry. They threaten to
destroy the internet as we know it. And in his front page posting on
the QRZ.com, he lists what he terms "the facts about the bills."

According to AA7BQ, websites will be required to police their own
content for copyright violations of all kinds. Any website found in
violation of the intellectual property of another party must be shut
down -- it's internet access blocked by its Internet Service Provider,
DNS de-listing, and all banking transactions via online payment
providers would be stopped.

Lloyd notes that there is no burden of proof required to shut down a
website. Any claim of copyright infringement could result in a court
ordered shutdown.

Website owners will be responsible for policing content uploaded by
their users. A violation could be ridiculously minor to qualify such as
uploading a trademarked image, a photo of a celebrity, a clipping from
a newspaper, an audio clip from movie, or the like. Also, uploading a
copyrighted song or video would become a felony under the US Code.

And it is not just domestic websites that would be impacted. The law would apply to foreign websites as well, requiring United States based Internet Service Providers to block access to those sites.

Lloyd then notes that this law could also kill his site, QRZ.com, as users know it. He notes that the site currently has some 300,000 photographs on its server, all of which would have to be taken down and manually verified to be in compliance. The same thing would hold true for each biography page where a photograph or other image exists.

Lloyd says that in his case, there's no way he could do it. If burdened with this sort of responsibility, QRZ would simply be found in violation and forcibly shut down by the federal government, all in an to protest both bills many websites went dark on Wednesday, January 18 effort to please what he terms as Hollywood and the music industries.

To protest both bills, many websites went dark on Wednesday, January 18. The Amateur Radio Newsline provides a short video insert in the TWiT network's Ham Nation podcast each Tuesday evening. That network did not go dark, but devoted its live programming to the SOPA and PIPA topics. As we go to air the programs should be rendered and posted for download in both audio and video formats. Go to www.twit.tv and look for "Security Now," "This Week in Google," "Tech News Today," and "Triangulation" for a more detailed and web centric discussion.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, in Los Angeles.

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AA7BQ ends his posting by asking those who use his website to contact their Congressmen and Senators to voice your opposition to both of these measures, especially SOPA. He says that it's not just QRZ.com that depends on their action. Rather he says, it's the entire internet as they know it today. (QRZ.com, TWIT.tv, ARNewsline(tm))

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RESCUE RADIO: ARMY MARS RESUMES USE OF WINLINK 2000

The Army's Military Auxiliary Radio System better known simply as Army MARS is back using WinLink 2000. The ARRL reports that Lieutenant General Susan Lawrence has reversed the decision to phase out the use of the global radio e-mail system by Army MARS members that was issued late last year.

Lieutenant General Lawrence stated that the Army, after reviewing its capabilities, had decided that the continued use of WinLink 2000 would be in MARS best interest. She went on to call it a valuable asset to Army MARS members and agencies that were using the service.

On January 5, 2012, the Chief of Army MARS officially notified the membership that the phase out notice had been rescinded. Army MARS members and agencies who had been using the service hailed the decision by Lieutenant General Lawrence and have resumed use of the WinLink 2000

radio e-mail system.

More about WinLink 2000 is on the web at www.winlink.org. (ARRL)

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RADIO GROWTH: DXCC SEES AN INCREASE IN APPLICATIONS

Interest in DX is growing. So says the ARRL as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has more:

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The ARRL reports that it appears as if more amateurs are working DX these days. This in turn means the ARRL's Membership and Volunteer Programs Department, especially the DXCC Desk and the ARRL Incoming and Outgoing QSL Bureaus, are working very hard in processing applications and sending out cards via the different QSL Bureaus.

In 2010, the DXCC Desk processed 7134 applications for initial awards and endorsements. These 2010 applications included 853,462 QSOs. In 2011, the DXCC Desk processed 11,175 applications, representing 1,250,864 QSOs.

Sharon Taratula is the Membership and Volunteer Programs Administrative Manager. She explained that comparing 2010 to 2011 represents a 47 percent increase in the number of QSO's and a 57 percent increase in the number of applications received.

And that's quite an impressive increase in any area of ham radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, near Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

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To learn more about this increase in DX, go to tinyurl.com/dxcc-numbers on the world wide web. And we will have more DX related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARRL)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: VP6T PITARICAN OPERATION SAYS NO 6 METERS

The VP6T DXpedition to Pitcarin Island will not be on 6 meters nor any exotic modes such as EME or SSTV. Nor will it likely even show up on 60 meters.

The operation which begins on January 20th and continues through February 4th has issued a press statement explaining its decision to concentrate its operations on the traditional and popular High Frequency bands.

According to the team they are a small group and are limited in baggage weight and size. As such they were forced to make choices. And while most of the team are 6 meter operators, they reached a decision not to

spend much their time and effort on this band.

For these reasons no 6 meter antenna will be taken with them and no time slot is booked for 6 meter operation. For more details, updates along the suggested frequencies for the VP6T DXpedition please visit the operations website at www.vp6t.org. (Southgate)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Caravan Club Net in Albuquerque New Mexico.

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: STUDENT HAM RADIO D-STAR SATELLITE TO LAUNCH LATER THIS YEAR

D-Star should be in space before the end of 2012. Students at the University of Liege in Belgium are hoping their D-Star based ham radio satellite OUFTI-1 will be launched towards the end of this year if at all possible.

Plans originally called for it to be carried to orbit on the maiden flight of the European Space Agency's Vega launch vehicle. That now appears to be out of the question. However team leaders say that other opportunities have been identified and discussions are ongoing with at least one launch provider.

If and when OUFTI-1 makes it to orbit it could mean a lot of those on the fence about purchasing D-Star based gear might just tape the plunge. This in turn would likely result in a major world-wide sales boost for Icom which to date is the only supplier of D-Star based ham radio gear.

An update on the satellite and plans to get it into space have been published in the January 2012 issue of the OUFTI-1 Newsletter. That issue focuses on the current status and near-future of D-Star based bird. You can read it on-line at tinyurl.com/oufti-1-2012. (Various sources)

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RADIO LAW: JUDGE ISSUES SUMMARY JUDGMENT IN K1MAN FORFEITURE CASE

It's two for the government and one for Glenn Baxter, K1MAN, in the case involving a fine issued to the Maine radio amateur by the FCC several years ago.

In a 38 page ruling issued January 10th, U.S. District Judge John Woodcock Jr., chief of Maine's federal court, upheld two of the three

judgments the FCC sought against Glenn Baxter, K1MAN, of Belgrade Lakes, Maine.

The judge upheld forfeitures totaling $10,000 for violations of the Communications Act of 1934. The two violations were willful or repeated failure to respond to FCC requests for information and conducting willful or malicious interference with other radio transmissions.

Judge Woodcock, however, denied the FCC's request for judgment on a count of engaging in communications in which there is a pecuniary or monetary interest. Specifically, the judge questioned whether Baxter's promotion of his website during his transmissions rose to the level of a violation of FCC rules even though the FCC argued that the website sells merchandise.

The judge extensively cites Baxter's responses to the FCC, including referring to Baxter's personal attacks against a government attorney, and FCC personnel, including retired FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH.

Woodcock conceded in his opinion such attacks by Baxter made it difficult to separate policy and factual disputes. However, the judge concluded that Baxter could not "avoid summary judgment by attempting to manufacture a factual dispute."

At one point, Judge Woodcock asserts: "Clearly, Mr. Baxter is bristling with irritation with the government."

Citing Baxter's arguments and demands for a trial on the ongoing matters, Judge Woodcock ruled that there must be a triable issue. He then ruled that the government had only proven its case for a summary judgment in two of the three matters before him.

But it's probably not over. Baxter is more than likely to file a further appeal on the two matters that Judge Woodcock found for the government. It's also believed that the government will proceed to take the third issue to trial before a judge and jury. (From Actual Court Transcript)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAM RADIO AT THE EAGLE CAP EXTREME SLED DOG RACE

Ham radio will be providing the communications for Oregon's only Iditarod and Yukon Quest qualifier race. The 2012 Eagle Cap Extreme Sled Dog Race is January 25th to the 28th. Ham radio volunteer communicators we will be using a pair of linked repeaters tied to a remote base to cover the course. Some operators will be camping out in remote locations for the entire time to support the event. In addition, anyone can listen in on all of the events ham radio communications on Echolink conference Node number 367015. More information is on line at www.eaglecapextreme.com (KB7DZR)

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RADIO AND EDUCATION: THE FOUNDATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation for Amateur Radio has announced that it will be administering fifty scholarships for the 2012 to 2013 academic year. This, to assist licensed Radio Amateurs in the pursuit of higher education. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reports:

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The Foundation for Amateur Radio fully funds two scholarships. The remainder are administered by the foundation, without cost to the various donors.

Only licensed Radio Amateurs may compete for these awards. To qualify, a ham must be planning to pursue a full time course of studies beyond high school and be enrolled, or have been accepted for enrollment, at an accredited university, college or technical school.

The awards range from $300 to $5,000 with preference given in some cases to residents of specified geographical areas or the pursuit of certain study programs. Non-US residents are eligible to apply for some of the scholarships.

Additional information and an application form may be requested by letter or QSL card to FAR Scholarships, Post Office Box 911,Columbia, Maryland, 21044-0911.

For the Amateur Radio Nrewsline, Im Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Scholarship applications are also available for download at The Foundation for Amateur radio website. Its in cyberspace at wwr.farweb.org. (FAR)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: WINTERFEST 2012 IN ANNADALE VIRGINIA

Turning to the ham radio social scene, the 36th Annual Winterfest is slated for Sunday, February 26th . This, at the Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale Campus, in the city of Annandale, Virginia.

Tailgating starts at 6 am EST with the indoor sales area opening to the public at 8 am. The large, heated indoor area accommodates more than 100 tables operated by commercial vendors, clubs, ham radio organizations and individuals.

This event is sponsored by the Vienna Wireless Society which will also hold a ham radio testing session associated with the hamfest on Saturday, February 25th. More information is on the web at www.viennawireless.org/winterfest.php. (AI4SV)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: PALM SPRINGS CA. HAMFEST JANUARY 28

The annual Palm Springs Hamfest takes place on January 28th from 9 am to 5 pm Pacific Standard Time at 4193 Matthew Drive in Palm Springs, California. Hosted by the Desert RATS Club the show will feature 35 vendors, hands on equipment demonstrations, a swap meet and much more. Talk-in on is on the local 166.940 repeater that requires a 107.2 hertz sub-audible access tone. More information is on-line at desertrats.am. (VE7REZ)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: TIME TO REGISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL MUSEUMS WEEKEND

The International Museums Weekend special event will this year take place on the double weekends of June 16th and the 17th and again on the 23rd and the 24th. Hams world-wide are being encouraged to participate by setting up stations in their local museums.

The events organizer is M1BYT. He asks that all those intending to take part to register their museum via the from on the International Museums Weekend website at www.ukradioamateur.co,uk/imw. M1BYT can also be contacted via e-mail to harry (dot) m1byt (at) tiscali (dot) co (dot) uk. (M1BYT)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: 2012 TO BE A LEAP SECOND YEAR

Look for 2012 to be a tiny bit longer than years past. This is because 2012 will be a bit longer than 2011 or 2010. Confused? Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is here to sort it all out:

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The International Earth Rotation and Reference Systems Service has decided to add a leap second to Coordinated Universal Time at the end of June 2012.

The most recent leap was added on December 31, 2008. They have been necessary because of the Earth's unpredictable rotation.

Coordinated Universal Time, better known as UTC is based on highly accurate atomic clocks, but has been kept more or less synchronized with mean solar time by way of leap seconds.

Leap seconds were first introduced in 1972 but may not be with us much longer. Now however, a proposed revision of Standard-Frequency and Time Signal Emissions will be voted by the International Telecommunication Union Radiocommunication Assembly meeting, immediately before this years World Radiocommunication Conference. If the international panel agrees, Leap Seconds will be eliminated by 2018.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, leaping along in Los Angeles.

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Meantime with this being a so called leap year, February will have a total of 29 days instead of the usual 28, to make up for our rotation around the Sun. So adjust your computer logging software accordingly. (VK3PC)

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RADIO IN SPACE: DEDICATED CUBESAT SPECTRUM FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS

SmallSat, CubeSat, and Nano Satellite developers are seeking a spectrum allocation, outside of the 435 to 437 MHz amateur satellite band that could be dedicated to their specific bandwidth, data rate, and mission requirements.

In a press release ISIS notes that experimental, proof-of-concept demonstration missions find it increasingly more difficult to find spectrum on today's crowded bands. Also, obtaining commercial or research space frequency allocations is beyond the budgetary capability of many of these missions.

ISIS says that some satellite developers may be able to adapt their communication requirements to operate in the amateur radio spectrum. But in order to fully meet mission requirements on other projects a more suitable spectrum is quickly becoming a potential long term need for the emerging nano-satellite market.

ISIS says they plan to attend the World Radio Conference, WRC, this month as part of the Dutch national delegation. This is to make use of the opportunity to informally sound out the various opinions on this matter and investigate potential possibilities for creating a future solution ensuring the spectral needs of the community are met. (ANS)

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RADIO AND SPACE: NASA SUMMER 2012 INTERNSHIPS FOR STUDENTS

NASA is accepting applications for student summer internship positions at several of its centers around the country. Students can view opportunities and apply for them at intern.nasa.gov by selecting the Student Opportunities tab then clicking on Internships. The application process must be completed at the NASA intern website. The cutoff date to apply for summer internships is February 2nd. (NASA via

ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: PLAN YOUR LATE 2012 ARISS SCHOOLROOM CONTACT NOW

NASA's Teaching From Space office is accepting proposals for United States ARISS classroom contacts to be held between July 15, 2012 and January 15, 2013. The deadline for submitting proposals is January 30th. For more information, see the Teaching From Space website at tinyurl.com/ariss-planning-2012. (ANS, KB3LKI)

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ON THE AIR: HAM RADIO WILL HELP USHER IN THE CHINESE NEW YEAR

On the air, word that the station master for the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society has announced that the special event callsign, 9M4CNY, will be active from Penang Island on January 29th, between 0700 to 1600 UTC. This in honor of the Chinese New Year Cultural and Heritage Celebration for 2012. Suggested frequencies are 7.088 MHz on 40 meters and 14.288 MHz on 20. The operating mode is SSB only. QSL direct only to address for 9M4CNY found on QRZ.com.

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DX

In DX, F8APV will be active from Reunion Island from January 22nd until February 10th signing portable FR. QSL as directed on the air.

JA6CNH will be active as XV2CNH from Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam between February 10th and the 15th. Activity will be on 160through 6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA6CNH, direct only.

Lastly, DF7ZS will be active from Aruba Island March 21st to the 27th signing P40S. QSL direct to DF7ZS as his address on QRZ.com.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: NORMAN KRIM - CHAMPION OF THE TRANSISTOR -SK

And finally this week we pay homage Norman Krim, an electronics visionary who played a pivotal role in the industry's transition from vacuum tube to solid state electronics. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jeff Clark, N8TMW, takes a look back at the man who put solid state devices in the hands of experimenters, and ham radio operators world wide:

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In a long career with the Raytheon Company Norman Krim made several important breakthroughs in popularizing the transistor to experimenters. He also had an early hand in the growth of the RadioShack chain,

Norman Krim did not invent the transistor. That was the work of a scientific team at Bell Laboratories back in 1947. Rather Krim saw the device's potential and persuaded Raytheon to begin manufacturing it on a mass scale, particularly for use in miniaturized hearing aids that he had designed. As a result, thousands of hearing impaired benefited from Krim's initial use of the transistor in compact hearing aids.

But not every transistor Raytheon made was suitable for that purpose and this is where Norman Krim's foresight took hold.

Harry Goldstein is an editor at IEEE Spectrum, the magazine of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. He said that when transistors were first being manufactured by Raytheon on a commercial scale, there was a batch called CK722's that were too noisy for use in hearing aids. So Krim contacted editors at magazines like Popular Science and Radio Electronics and began marketing the CK722's to hobbyists. The result was that a whole generation of kid engineers, many likely young ham radio operators working in their garages and basements got to construct all kinds of electronic projects. Among these were early transistor radios, guitar amplifiers, code oscillators, Geiger counters and metal detectors.

Goldstein says that as a result, a lot of them went on to become engineers. And as a result, Norman Krim became known as the father of the CK722.

After leaving Raytheon, Norman Krim bought two electronics stores in Boston called RadioShack. By the time he sold the business to the Tandy Corporation two years later, it had seven stores. Today the chain has about 7,300.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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News reports say that Norman Krimm passed away of congestive heart failure last December 14th in a retirement home in Newton, Massachusetts, at age 98. As far as we can determine, he was not a radio amateur. That said, the impact he had on our hobby was and is truly immeasurable. (RW and other published reports)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, in Lima, Ohio, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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48. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 20 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-20 12:34:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93408c55f782d04b6f3d388@google.com>
Source record: 3615
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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SOS Radio Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GKveZpD8eeA/sos_radio_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur Radio enthusiasts from all over the UK and Ireland will be
broadcasting to raise money for the RNLI's biggest annual fundraising
event, RNLI SOS Day

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Emergency Communications and amateur radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0MarMZC4WIc/emergency_communications_and_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU Region 3 Newsletter describes this as a period of many natural
disasters. Heavy rains and flooding caused widespread destruction in
Thailand, areas of The Philippines experienced heavy flooding and
Christchurch was hit by yet another earthquake

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Amateur Radio in WRC-12 Agenda Document

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Amateur radio is mentioned in the preface of the ITU agenda document for
the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 (WRC-12) taking place in
Geneva Jan 23 - Feb 17

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Leap seconds to stay

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vIlDjgvv0Tc/leap_seconds_to_stay.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Thursday, January 19, France and the USA failed in their attempt to
break our traditional link with astronomical time

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The Six and Ten Reporting Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sZl0OPYA0nI/6_and_10_reporting_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest report from Martin Harrison, G3USF and the Six and Ten Reporting Club has just been published and is now available on the web

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Call of Titanic will go out again

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yNUmOGgsv-k/call_of_titanic_will_go_out_again.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Nearly 100 years ago, Jimmy Myrick, a 14-year-old Newfoundland boy, was one of the first people to hear RMS Titanic’s late-night distress call. Now radio amateur David Myrick VO1VCE, a relative of young Myrick, will participate in the re-enactment

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The faster-than-fast Fourier transform

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5_gLiGtgfgs/fast_fourier_transform.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

MIT researchers have found a way to increase the speed of one of the most important algorithms in signal processing - the fast Fourier transform (FFT)

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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New 2012 Band Plans released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ivMWt_i3oEU/new_2012_band_plans_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB have released the 2012 band plans along with an article on the IARU Region 1 Sun City conference

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club Intermediate Exam course

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club are running a course for the Intermediate
Exam which will take place on Tuesday 3rd April 2012

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LightSquared accuses US government of rigged interference tests

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LightSquared have responded to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) tests
on GPS interference testing from its planned 4G-LTE mobile network

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Amateur Radio Training in the press

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bEMLxTsQq1Q/amateur_radio_training_in_the_press_1901.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Berwick Advertiser reports on the successful training course run by the
Border Amateur Radio Society (BARS)

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Ofcom and RSGB meet to discuss licensing issues

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The RSGB met with Ofcom on Wednesday, January 18, and topics ranged from
the Olympics to the Air Training Corps and Sea Cadets

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Earth-directed solar flare could bring geomagnetic storms this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NDtXG00vFFk/earth_directed_solar_flare.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Spaceweather.com report that an active sunspot 1401 erupted yesterday,
January 19th, for more than an hour around 16:00 UT

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

49. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 21 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-21 15:23:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93408c5df6d6004b708380d@google.com>
Source record: 3616
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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PSK2K - a new meteorscatter mode by DJ5HG

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n4vlLh440eQ/psk2k.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

PSK2K is a meteor scatter mode that enables multiple contacts to take place
on a single frequency

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Canadian and U.S.A. postal rates increase

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G4cBo3RCzlc/postal_rates_increase.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Canadian postal charges increased on Monday, while charges for first class
letters, postcards and packages within the US will rise this Sunday. It
will also cost more to send letters from the US to Canada, Mexico and other
international destinations

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Building a Distributed Satellite Ground Station Network

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AGhryjRPU34/building_a_distributed_satellite_ground_station_network.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There was a presentation on building a distributed satellite ground station
network at the Chaos Communication Congress held December 27-30 and the
video is now available

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Lough Erne ARC Intermediate Course

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Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club plans another course for the Intermediate
amateur radio license practical assessments and examination

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Wainwrights on the Air scheme improved

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The popular Wainwrights on the Air scheme has been improved to make it easier to get involved

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Global radio experts float new mobile phone standard

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Global radio experts have approved radio standards that are to usher in a new mobile phone operating system to replace third generation or 3G technology, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) announced on Friday

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Propagation de K7RA

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bTbMMCs9B8A/january_21.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

New sunspot groups appeared on every day over the past reporting week (January 12-18), until Thursday, January 19 which had no new spots

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Student Aalto-1 CubeSat video

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Students working on the Aalto-1 CubeSat have released a 4 minute video showing a visualization of the launch and deployment of the satellite

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Press TV loses UK licence, claims UK jamming IRIB signals from Bahrain

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/11WVWjMrnrg/press_tv_loses_uk_licence.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

British authorities on Friday revoked the licence of Press TV, the Iranian state broadcaster’s English-language outlet, saying the channel had breached a string of regulations. The network hit back on its website, calling the decision 'a clear act of censorship'

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RSGB representation at World Radiocommunication Conference

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RSGB Past President Colin, G3PSM will be attending the World
Radiocommunication Conference 2012 from 23 January to 17 February as part
of the IARU Region 1 team

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Pitcairn Island DXpedition

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/McdJaqzjeaE/pitcairn_island_dxpedition_
2101.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team consisting of F6BEE Jacques, G3TXF Nigel, VE2TZT Gilles, FM5CD
Michel and F4BKV Vincent will be active from Pitcairn Island (IOTA OC-044,
WFF GFF-053) between 20th January and 4th February 2012, using the callsign
VP6T

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Wallis and Futuna Islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/86me4tiaG64/wallis_and_futuna_islands.h
tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Laci, HA0NAR, and two other operators plan to run two stations in parallel
160-6 metres with solid state linears (CW, SSB, RTTY) between 25th of
January and 23rd of February 2012, using the callsign FW0R

50. SARL News in English 21/1/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-21 16:48:16 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <F7DA785BEEB14838ADD438D3F386F152@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3617
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 22 JANUARY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB.

SILENT KEYS

It is with deep regret that we have to announce that the key Jacques Bauermeister ZS1FE, member of Oakdale RAC committee, became silent during the night of 13 January 2012. Our sincere condolences go to his wife and children.

It is also reported that the key of Kobus van Rooyen, ZS2KVR (previously ZS1KVR), went silent earlier this week. Our sincere condolences to this wife Ansie, ZS2AVR, and children.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

SARL ANNOUNCES THE 2012 RAE DETAILS

ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWAL

NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL OF THE SARL

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL ANNOUNCES THE 2012 RAE DETAILS

The SARL has announced the details of the 2012 Radio Amateur Examinations. The May exam will be held on 24 May 2012 with the closing date for registration on 27 April 2012. The October exam will be held on 18 October 2012 with the closing date for registration on 21 September 2012. The registration fees have been adjusted to align with the new ICASA rates for license application and the first year license fee.

Candidates will, on registration, receive complimentary membership of the SARL which include copies of the electronic Radio ZS and full access to the web. Candidates will enjoy free membership till 30 June 2013. The main objective of the complimentary membership is to involve candidates more in amateur radio and activities.

Full details can be found on www.sarl.org.za, select "Licensing" from the left hand menu on the home page.

ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWAL

Radio Amateurs are reminded that the license renewal date is 1 April 2012 when the new annual fee also comes into operation. An Amateur Radio License will cost R120. ICASA has indicated that license reminders will be posted soon. Should you however not receive an invoice the responsibility remains yours to pay the renewal fee by 1 April 2012. Payments can be made electronically or at any post office. Be sure to quote your callsign and your account number which you can find on your license or previous account.

NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL OF THE SARL

Members are reminded that nominations for the Council of the SARL close on 31 January 2012. A nomination requires a nominator and a seconder who both need to be current members of the SARL. Also required is a brief amateur radio related CV of the nominee and a letter that he or she is willing to stand for election and, if elected, serve on the council. Nominations should be addressed to the Secretary of the SARL. Scanned documents may be sent by email to secretary@sarl.org.za

DXCC SEES AN INCREASE IN APPLICATIONS

Interest in DX is growing. So says the ARRL. The ARRL reports that it appears as if more amateurs are working DX these days. This in turn means the ARRL's Membership and Volunteer Programs Department, especially the DXCC Desk and the ARRL Incoming and Outgoing QSL Bureaus, are working very hard in processing applications and sending out cards via the different QSL Bureaus.

In 2010, the DXCC Desk processed 7 134 applications for initial awards and endorsements. These 2010 applications included 853 462 QSOs. In 2011, the DXCC Desk processed 11 175 applications, representing 1 250 864 QSOs.

Sharon Taratula is the Membership and Volunteer Programmes Administrative Manager. She explained that comparing 2010 to 2011 represents a 47 percent increase in the number of QSOs and a 57 percent increase in the number of applications received.

And that's quite an impressive increase in any area of amateur radio.

CLUB NEWS

THE PEARS VHF/UHF CONTEST IS NOW UNDER WAY

The PEARS National VHF/UHF Contest started on Friday evening and will continue until 14:00 CAT on Sunday afternoon. At the time of writing this bulletin a number of field stations in Divisions 1, 2 and 6 have announced that they will participate in the contest. We are hoping that La Nina will play along and not disturb the weather. There is still some time left this morning to give some points away to contestants, so give it a try. PEARS wishes all the contestants good luck and thank you for your participation.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is on the increase with some geomagnetic effects expected. Sunspot 1 401 continues to pose a threat for M-class flares.

For the people doing their own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 104.

All the bands, from 20 to 10 m, will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day. With the increase in solar activity 6 m may also provide some exciting openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

22 January - Last day for the PEARS National VHF/UHF Contest. 31 January - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium.

Remember that nominations may still be submitted for SARL awards which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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51. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-22 07:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1327215601@panix.com>
Source record: 3618
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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52. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-22 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1327215900@panix.com>
Source record: 3619
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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53. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1046

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-22 13:57:26 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <887853.19508.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3620
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-January, through Sunday, 22nd-January there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/m, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4U1, ITU HQ (Special Activity). The International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, will be operating with the special callsign 4U1WRC between January 23rd and February 17th. Activity will take place during the

ITU World Radio Conference 2012 (WRC-12) from Geneva, Switzerland.
Operations will be from 160-6 meters, eventually higher, all modes.
All QSOs will be confirmed with a special QSL available via 4U1ITU.
Short updates of the operation will be posted on twitter at:
http://twitter.com/4u1itu
More detailed information is availabe on the Web site at:
http://life.itu.int/radioclub

4W, TIMOR-LESTE. Vlad, UA4WHX, still continues to be active as 4W0VB from Timor-Leste (OC-148) and his length of stay is still not known. "The Daily DX" and other sources report that Vlad is operating in the mountains of Ermera, and activity is almost exclusively on CW with very little SSB. As posted on QRZ.com by Vlad [edited], "If you need 160 or 80, please note I am making an effort to be there every day at around 1500-2100 UTC. I have no Internet at the radio place. So, check 1815.0 or 1831.5 and 3503.0 at these times or any other time you think we may have an opening. Additionally, I will try to be at the same frequencies at 1100-1145 UTC for US LP and 1200-1245 UTC for US SP. Hence, the probability of your having a QSO is directly related to the amout of time you spend looking for 4W0VB." QSL via UA4WHX.

8Q, MALDIVES (False Info Being Sent Out!). Bert, CX3AN, informs OPDX that someone is sending false info out about Mario/CX4CR and him, and their activity as 8Q7HU from Maafushi Island, Kaafu Atoll (AS-013). Their operation will still take place between January 25th and February 5th, and not February 6-15th, as the fake E-mail states. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. There will be a special emphasis on South America.

C6, BAHAMAS. Look for C6ANM to be active from Nassau (NA-001, FL15) during the following contests with the following operators:
CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 27-29th) - Multi-Single entry; operators Tom/N1GN and William/NE1B; QSL via LoTW.
ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) - Multi-Single entry; operators Tom/N1GN and William/NE1B; QSL via LoTW.
CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 24-26th) - Multi-Single entry; operators Tom/N1GN, William/NE1B and Karney/W2AFC; QSL
via LoTW.
ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) - Multi-2 entry; operators Tom/N1GN, William/NE1B, Mike/N1IW and Karney/W2AFC; QSL
via LoTW.

CL, CUBA (Changing Cuban Regulations). Information from a few Cuban friends inform OPDX [edited]: "Cuba Cuban radio amateur service regulations have been modified to provide the use of segments of the 80 and 40 meters ham bands to the third class operators license holders which before this new rules could only operate on segments of the 160 and 2 meters band. The news was much welcomed by the more than two thousand operators that hold a CL prefix callsign... the first step in a Cuban radio amateur career... By the way, the CL prefix holders do not need to pass a CW Morse Code radiotelegraphy test, but they do have to take a 5 words per minute

receiving and also transmitting test in order to upgrade towards a second class operators certificate. This opens the way to obtain a CM prefix callsign that provides access to many more operating privileges... So, if you start hearing stations on the 40 meters band from 7100 to 7125 kiloHertz using a CL prefix, be aware that they are a new generation of Cuban radio amateurs that for the first time ever are having access to working DX on 40 meters... The segment assigned to the CL stations on 80 meters span from 3550 to 3750 kiloHertz, but very probably you will hear them much more often on 40 meters because the seven Mega-Hertz ham band is open for long distance contacts much more frequently than the 80 meters band. The maximum power allowed to the CL prefix stations, the Cuban beginners license has been set at 10 watts that they can use on CW, Single-Side Band and Double-Side Band voice."

DAYTON HAMVENTION EVENT (160m Dinner). Tim, K3LR, reports: "We are carrying on the great TopBand dinner tradition that George/K8GG and George/W8UVZ put together for so many years at Dayton. Dinner reservations and tickets are now available for the 23rd Annual Dayton TopBand dinner on Friday evening, May 18th, at the Crowne Plaza - downtown Dayton, Ohio. Frank Donovan, W3LPL, will be the main speaker. Reservations are available online with credit cards and PayPal. Also, use the online to contact us for information if you need to make other arrangements. All of the updated details are here: http://topbanddinner.com Scroll down to make your reservations. Hope to see you at the 2012 Dayton TopBand Dinner."

DAYTON HAMVENTION EVENT (Update to OPDX.1044 - Contest Dinner Speaker). Tim, K3LR, Dayton Contest Dinner Chairman - North Coast Contesters, reports: "North Coast Contesters are happy to announce that 'Tree' Tyree, N6TR, will be the featured speaker at the 20th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner to be held on Saturday, May 19th, in Dayton, Ohio. <http://contestdinner.com>
N6TR has an extensive and distinguished contesting resume that goes beyond his many top ten finishes in domestic CW contests. He was one of the founders of the popular Stew Perry Topband Distance Challenge and ARRL Kids Day operating events. Tree wrote the TRLOG contest logging software and he is responsible for log checking packages that are used to adjudicate many of the major radio contests. He was the log checker for the WRTC-2006 event and will be again in 2014. N6TR was honored as Amateur of the Year in 2003 by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association. Tree recently operated as a single operator from KL7RA in the 2011 Sweepstakes Phone contest and as part of the KL7RA multi op team in the CQ WW CW contest. This past August N6TR helped team USA win the gold medal in the HF on-air contest from RG20CF as part of the Tenth Friendship Radiosport Games in Khabarovsk, Russia.
Outside of contests, Tree spends most of his time chasing new countries on 160 meters."

EI80, IRELAND (Special Event). Members of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society (IRTS) will be active as EI80IRTS throughout 2012. Activity is to celebrate the IRTS's 80th anniversary. QSL via EI4GXB or LoTW.

GJ/MJ0, JERSEY. Richard, K2WR, will be active as GJ2A during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 27-29th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via K2WR or GJ3DVC. Look for him outside of the contest signing MJ0AWR. He will be there starting around January 24th or 25th.

HK0NA DXPEDITION (Update). By the time you read this, the whole HK0NA team should be on the island and operating immediately for 17 days. The team left on January 18th for Malpelo island and is not expected to return until February 10th. For more details and updates, visit: http://hk0na.com

HR, HONDURAS. G�rard, F2JD, will be once again be active as HR5/F2JD from Copan. He will leave on February 2nd and be back on May 6th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via F6AJA. The online log will be available at: http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php

IOTA NEWS.....
SA-024/
SA-071. A team consisting of Italian and Brazilian operators will activate the Brazilian Islands - Comprida (SA-024) and Peruhibe (SA-071) between January 30th and February 9th. The callsign to be used will be PR2I. Operators mentioned are Leopoldo/I8LWL, Paki/IZ8GDO, Vespe/IW8EZV, Angelo/PY2VA and Toni/PY2YW. QSL via IK7JWX.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 23-29th)....
Jan/23rd HN-LN Jan/26th HN-AN Jan/28th AN
Jan/24th LN-BN Jan/27th AN Jan/29th AN
Jan/25th LN-HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operator Ron, DL3BPC , will be active as LX7I during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 27-29th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via LX2A. Logs will be put on the LoTW.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE. Kip, W6SZN, NCDXF Secretary, sent out the following press release on January 16th: "NCDXF ANNOUNCES GRANT TO VP6T PITCAIRN ISLAND DXPEDITION -- The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce a contribution of 6,000 USDs to the VP6T Pitcairn Island DX-pedition. The operation will take place from January 20th to February 4th, 2012. Pitcairn Island is No. 41 on the DX Magazine's Most Wanted List for 2011.
Five veteran DXpeditioners anticipate more than 30,000 QSOs and plan

to have three stations on the air around the clock on nine bands. A special effort will be made to work Europe and the U.S. East Coast. The group and the HK0NA DXpedition have coordinated operating frequencies to avoid mutual interference.
For the past 40 years the NCDXF has funded major DXpeditions to many Most Wanted countries. The credit for these large grants goes to the NCDXF contributors who make DX like this possible. Have you contributed yet? <www.ncdxf.org>"

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 22nd)

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3A2MG via F9JS DP0GVN via DL5EBE PI9SRS via PD9RAY
4J9M via DL7EDH (d) DQ0STRATEX via DK4REX SX1912K via SZ2RCP
9A0V via 9A6DR EH1ILB via EA1UU TT8FC via EA3GWK
A31IO via DK7AO EK85DX via EK7DX VP6T via G3TXF
A31YL via DK7AO EW6DX via EB7DX VP8/EA1CYK via EA7LS
A61K via EA7FTR EX8AS via EX2A XU7ARJ via JA3ARJ
A61R via EA7FTR HB0/HB9LCW via HB9LCW XU7AVO via JA3AVO
BA5HAM via IK2DUW JR7ISY/JD1 via JR7ISY XU7CJA via JA1CJA
CT9/CT5KAO via CT5KAO KP4LH via KP4UNO XU7UJR via JA3UJR
DL0SLITISA via DK4FB N2Y via K1NIU ZL3FRI via JA3FRI
DN0UKW via DO9PL OG30OJ via OH3OJ

(b) - Bureau only (L) - LoTW only
(d) - Direct only

ADDRESS CHANGE. QSL Manager Zik, DK8ZZ/VE3ZIK/YT3ZZ, reports effective March 1st, 2012, the DK8ZZ address will change. His new address is: Zrinko Zibert, Rothweg 1, 55494 Erbach, Germany. Please note, Zik is the QSL Manager for following callsigns: A65DLH, V55DLH, DK8ZZ, VE3ZIK, YT3ZZ, 9A1CKL (Direct only, all QSLs already sent via the Bureau), 9A/VE3ZIK, S5/VE3ZIK, E7/VE3ZIK and YU/DK8ZZ.

IRC-GS POSTAGE CHART. Bill, W9OL, has once again updated his IRC-GS Chart. It can be found at: http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.htm

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3B8MM, C6ANM, CN8NK, CR6K, IK2CLB, JH4CPC, KP2TM, M4A, OK3RKA, PJ2/N6EE, RD3BZ, SO8A, V5/DJ4SO, VE6WQ, VE9DX, XE2AUD and YB1AR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 3X3X1D, 3YX1D, 4L1MA, 5N7Q, 5A1A, 8P0P, 9M6XRO, A45XR, C31CT, CN8KD, DL8GP, E4X, FP/G4EAG, HK4CZE, HK0GU, OJ0X, OH1VR/VP9, SU9VB, TI8AA, TR8CA, TU2T, V51AS, VK0TH, VP2ETN and XV2RZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4K9W, 4L5O, 4U1VIC, 5W0OU, 8P9NX, 9M8Z, 9X0TL, 9Y4W, C36VM, C6AGN, CT9/DL3KWF, CU8AS, D44TOI, FH/DJ7RJ, FK/DJ7RJ, FK/AI5P, FR/DJ7RJ, HB75A, HK0GU, HK0GU/1, HS0ZEA, HS0ZJS, J45RDS, J48O, J48S, JW7QIA, KG4CN, KH6CW, KP2/AG1LE, KP4DJ, KP4ED, KP4KE, KP4RV, OX/DF9TM, P40D, PZ5YV, SU1KM, SV2FPU/8, SV5CJQ, SX5A, SY75NW, SY8WT,

TI5N, TK/DH8SL, TO4X, TO7RJ, V21ZG, V73QQ, VK9NW, VP2MXO, VP5/WA2VYA, XV4D, YB9/DL5CO, YJ0PX, YK1BA, YW6YL, ZF2XP, ZK3OU and ZL8X

R1MVI, MALYJ VYSOTSKI ISLAND (Deletion of MVI Coming!). Jari, OH2BU, reports: "The day of deletion has now been confirmed: Finnish and Russian ambassadors met today, January 17th, and exchanged the documents signed by the presidents of both countries. The new agreement of the lease of Saimaa Channel will be in force one month from today - February 17th. As the new agreement does not include Malyj Vysotskij (R1MV ...), the island will be deleted from the DXCC-list the day before, February 16th, 2012. This is, of course, subject to the decision of ARRL DXCC Committee. It's unlikely that any DXpedition will come on from the island before the deletion, although our Russian friends would have a possibility to do it."

SILENT KEY. Carl, AI6V/P49V, reports that Johan (Joop) Box, P43JB, became a Silent Key (SK) at approximately 1700z, Thursday, January 19th. He states, "He had a severely infected kidney. When the doctors tried to remove it, they found the area surrounding it full of infection, so they could not remove the kidney. His wife, Yvonne, and daughter, Barbara, Sue, myself and Lisandro, P43L, were with him when he passed away." OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of P43JB.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Look for Kurt, KE7KUS, to be active as T6KK from Bagram until mid-February. He states that after much waiting (over 5 months!), Kurt received his Afghanistan Amateur Radio License which was issued by the Afghanistan Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (ATRA). Kurt primarily spends his time on the HF bands working CW and the Digital modes. QSL via LoTW (preferred), eQSL or direct to his home callsign.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Jose, CT1FKN, is now active as T6JM from Kaul until June 13th. He tells OPDX that he has been there since January 14th and is a member of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) based inside a military compound where there are restrictions to what size antenna can be installed, so he will only use a small horizontal loop wire. Activity is expected to be mainly on 20 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via CT1FKN, direct or by the Bureau.

TI8, COSTA RICA. Operators Keith/W4KTR, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Lex/W4XO, Carlos/TI2KAC, Juan Carlos/TI2JCY and TI2ZM will be active as TI8M from Costa de Pajaros, during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via TI2KAC, direct preferred but bureau "OK". Their operations will be on 160-10 meters. Look for operations before the contest.

TN, CONGO (Reminder). By the time you read this, six operators should be active as TN2T from the Republic of the Congo until January 31st, Using three stations. The DXpedition will be active on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Their suggested frequencies are available on the TN2T Web page. Operators mentioned are Patrick/ON4HIL/OT2A, Marc/ON6CC/OR3A, Luc/ON4IA/OR2M, Ronald/PA3EWP, Carlo/ON4BR/OO4T and Stefaan/ON4FG/OP4T. QSL Manager is M0URX. More details and updates are available on the TN2T

Web page at: http://www.tn2t.be

TX5Q CLIPPERTON DXPEDITION (Postponed!). It was announced on January 19th: "We regret to announce that this operation had to be cancelled due to unforeseen problems with logistics and costs. We will plan to carry out a major DXpedition to Clipperton in early 2013. If you are interested in the project, please contact KK6EK at cordell.org." For more details, see: http://www.cordell.org/CI/CI_pages/CI_Main.html

UK STATIONS TO USE SPECIAL CALLSIGN. The Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) and Ofcom have reached agreement on the optional use of special callsigns for two significant events during 2012:
1) For the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, all UK amateur stations will have the option of applying for a variation to their licence if they wish to use a special prefix for a five week period. This will add or substitute the letter "Q" in the place of the Regional identifier in the callsign. Examples of callsign prefixes:
M3aaa becomes MQ3aaa 2E0aaa becomes 2Q0aaa
G3aaa becomes GQ3aaa 2M0aaa becomes 2Q0aaa
GM3aaa becomes GQ3aaa GX3aaa becomes GQ3aaa
Activity for the special prefixes will take place between 0000 BST, May 5th and 2359 BST, June 10th.

2) For the period of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games, a similar facility will exist for a seven week period, using the letter "O" to substitute the letter "O" in the place of the Regional identifier in the callsign. Examples of callsign prefixes:
M3aaa becomes MO3aaa 2E0aaa becomes 2O0aaa (Two Oscar zero aaa)
G3aaa becomes GO3aaa 2M0aaa becomes 2O0aaa (Two Oscar zero aaa)
GM3aaa becomes GO3aaa GX3aaa becomes GO3aaa
Activity for the special prefixes will take place between 0000 BST, July 21st and 2359 BST, September 9th.

ADDED NOTES: Both the above facilities will also be available to Amateur Club licences. Furthermore, callsign in the series GB2012aaa will be available for special event stations relating to the Olympics, and licences will be issued for four "flagship" stations using the prefix 2O12a where "O" is the letter O, and a is a single letter relating to the location of the station. Further details of these arrangements are on the attached summary, and administrative details will be issued by Ofcom and the RSGB shortly. The complete press release can be seen at: http://www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id63

V5, NAMIBIA (Update). Operators David/GI4FUM and XYL Gillian/GI8MIV, along with Richard/GI4DOH, Kalle/DM3BJ, Andre/V51B and possibly others will be active from Oranjemund for the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Op entry. Callsign has not been announced yet. The week before the contest, operators will be active on the HF bands using CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via GI4FUM.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Chris, VK5CP, will be operating in the "holiday mode" from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK5CP/9, and as of January 19th

(his birthday), through January 24th, he will be focusing on 30 meters (data), 20 meters and 6 meters depending on conditions. Chris will be using a IC-7000, LDG Z2Pro Tuner and a Buddistick vertical antenna. He also has a SignaLink USB interface and Mix W software which he plans to use the data modes PSK31 and RTTY. He expects to have InterNet access and should be logged into Skype as VK5CP. Chris plans to post his log on LoTW and eQSL upon his return to VK5. Please QSL via VK5CP (and be patient as he will have to print some cards).

VK0/AX0, MACQUARIE ISLAND (Special Event/Update). Look for Trevor, VK0TH, to be active as AX0TH on January 26th, to celebrate "Australia Day". QSL via JE1LET. UPDATE FROM TREVOR (on QRZ.com): "Thank You - Pile Ups have been much more controlled of late and I thank you for the efforts. I continue to try to do at least an hour or two of radio a day after my working day has finished on Macquarie. Operating hours are typically 0700-1200 UTC. Current Modes are SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK and Hell. Occasionally, I will visit the ON4KST chat room. I won't take individual requests in the chat room or via E-mail, however, am happy to work the bands when they are open and let you know where I am."

VP6, PITCAIN ISLAND. After a three day sail, the team of five operators are now active as VP6T from Pitcain Island (IOTA OC-044, WFF GFF-053) until February 4th. They arrived on the island on Friday, around 1700z, January 20th. Their activity will be on 160-10 meters CW, SSB and RTTY, and giving this extremely rare entity to deserving DXers on as many bands as possible, especially on the lower bands. QSL via G3XF, direct or by the Bureau, LoTW and OQRS. More details are available on their Web site at: http://www.vp6t.org
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: They have begun uploading QSOs to LoTW.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send

via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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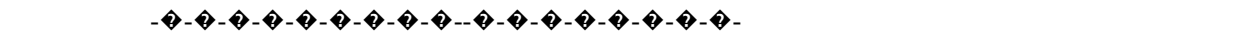
-  -

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54. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 22 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-22 14:45:33 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e82c0016d5504b71c07b7@google.com>
Source record: 3621
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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RS-39 (Chibis-M) deploys January 24

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MmTzKBA1OC4/rs39_deployment.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio satellite RS-39 has CW beacons on 435.315 and 435.215 MHz
that can be received directly by schools and colleges for educational
outreach purposes

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FLOWA Yagi

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bqZOM310sJE/flowa_yagi.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Derek Hilleard G4CQM unveils his new yagi innovation, the FLOWA, which is
an Ultra Compact design using unconventional element spacing. They deliver
true OWA wide bandwidth and stability

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Fox-1: Solar Panel Campaign

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HfgP98eJMnw/fox_solar_panel_campaign.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As AMSAT embarks on the Fox-1 Project, here is an opportunity to literally
put your callsign on the Fox hardware

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N8OFS/M in SPAR Winter FD Contest entry and IHRAS/RAOTA Activation Award
plans

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/raGOQvcNayo/killing_two_birds_with_one_stone.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Here are the full details of my N8OFS/M's 'killing two birds with one
stone' SPAR Winter FD Contest Entry and IHRAS/RAOTA 6 Rest Area Activation
Award Plans

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Amateur Radio license renewals

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FCF__sOAg6U/amateur_radio_license_renewals.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League reminds Radio Amateurs that the license renewal date is 1st April 2012, when the new annual fee also comes into operation

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NASA TV covers space station cargo ship launch and arrival

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YEAEaSqYKtM/nasa_tv_covers_cargo_ship_launch_and_arrival.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA Television will provide live coverage of the launch and docking of the next spacecraft to resupply the International Space Station

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/U-k6hiXONe8/january_22.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is on the increase with some geomagnetic effects expected

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Leonard Rosen N2LR - SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ePoZC9MixOc/leonard_rosen_n2lr_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Philadelphia Inquirer reports that Leonard Rosen N2LR, died of pneumonia Sunday, Jan. 15, at his home in Bandon, Oregon, aged 95

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Winners in the ARISSat-1/KEDR Chicken Little Contest

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The Chicken Little Contest received 77 entries from 17 different countries, and all continents except Antarctica

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Cuban Amateur Radio regulations modified

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ions_modified.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Cuban amateur radio service regulations have been modified to provide the use of segments of the 80 and 40 meter ham bands to the third class operators license holders, that before these new rules, could only operate on segments of the 160 and 2 meter bands

55. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 22nd January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-22 21:00:21 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 22nd January 2012

Death Notice

We are sad to announce the death of Patricia Mulvihill, mother of Noel EI6HW who passed away last weekend. She will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Ar Dheis D go raibh a h-anam.

IRTS Region 4

Radio theory classes will be starting in February depending on numbers. If you are interested please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087-2532512 or ei4gxb / at/ gmail/ dot/ com

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EI80IRTS Certificate

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society was founded 1932 and we are proud to celebrate our 80th anniversary in 2012. As part of the celebrations the Society will be using the special callsign EI80IRTS. A special certificate, available to all amateurs and SWLs, is being offered to celebrate this occasion. Contact the special call EI80IRTS during the period of January 1st, 2012 to December 31st, 2012. Requirements: 2-way communication on Phone, CW or Digi modes on the HF (1.8-28) and VHF (50-1200MHz) bands. Cross band QSO's will not be accepted for this award. Contacts made via active earthbound reflectors, repeaters and EchoLink will not be counted. The certificate is available in three levels: a. Bronze - 3 different bands. b. Silver - 5 different bands. c. Gold - 8 different bands. Applicants should submit a list showing the date and time you worked or heard EI80IRTS, plus frequency and mode. QSL cards are not required. The declared QSO's will be cross-checked for validity based on the logs of EI80IRTS. The application fee is 5 or $US7. Thos EI2JD will be the manager for this award. Send applications to: Thos Caffrey, The Slip, Clogherhead, Co. Louth, Ireland. At the same time, please send an e-mail to contestmanager /at/ irts / dot/ ie to inform him that you sent your application by mail. IRTS members and affiliated clubs are invited to take part in the celebrations. If you or your club would like to

activate EI80IRTS, you can contact Co-ordinators Ger McNamara EI4GXB at ei4gxb/ at/ gmail / dot/com or 087 2532512 or Thos Caffrey EI2JD at thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail/ dot/com for details.

A very attractive certificate for working EI80IRTS is sponsored by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, and details can be seen at http://www.ei7dar.com/ei80irts.html

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IRTS Request for Return of Trophies

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2011 IRTS, AGM in Limerick.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday 12th February. or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2012.

This will allow for engraving to be done and allow for repairs if necessary.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX at ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/net

Nominations For Awards for IRTS Trophies.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for, 1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2 Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Jim EI4HH, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/ net

Closing date for nominations is 29th February 2011.

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary this year 2012. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at

/irts / dot/ie

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will be holding its AGM on the 27 January 2012 at 8.30pm in Hannons Hotel Roscommon. All members are requested to attend and all newcomers are welcome to attend. For more info please see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com.

Limerick Radio Club

The Annual General Meeting of Limerick Radio Club will be hold on Wednesday 8 February 2012 in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm and all paid up members are requested to attend.

Rally: Limerick Radio Club rally will be held on Sunday March 11th 2012 at the Radisson Blue Hotel on the Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11am and all the usual traders will attend. Bring and Buy tables can be ordered from Dermot Gleeson EI2GT.

Tipperary Radio Group

The January meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place on Wednesday next the 25th of January in Raheen House Hotel Raheen Road Clonmel at 8.30 pm All are welcome.

South Dublin Radio Club Talks

Following Joe EI7GY's interesting talk on the DXCC programme Colin McKeeman will give a talk on aeronautical radio communications on the North Atlantic on Tuesday the 31st January

The club plans on launching it's television repeater for Dublin at the Phoenix Amateur Radio Club Rally in February.

West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club

West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is running a course for the Intermediate Exam which will take place on Tuesday 3rd April 2012.

The course will be on the following Saturday afternoons... Saturday 18th & 25th February, 10th, 24th 31st March, we will be holding a registration night before our regular monthly meeting on Tuesday 7th February cost of the course is ?65 which includes all materials needed for the course and the exam fee.

A registration form can be downloaded from our website at
www.wtarc.co.uk

DX News

Kurt KE7KUS has been active as T6KK since 19 January. He is based at Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan and will be there till mid-February. QSL info is via his home call (either direct or bureau) and Logbook of the World.

Another new station from Afghanistan is Jose CT1FKN who is signing T6JM. He is there until mid-June and is mainly QRV on 20m SSB and BPSK31. QSL to his home call.

Some activity has been heard from Malpelo Island where the HK0NA team are setting up the expedition station. The remainder of the team should now have arrived and a major operation will be underway. The expedition will last until around 8 February so everyone should manage to get at least one QSO in the log.

Laci HA0NAR is leading a small group which will be QRV as FW0R from the Pacific islands of Wallis and Futuna. Dates are 24 January until 23 February. QSL Manager is HA0NAR.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

56. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-003E - New Quebec Director

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-23 02:58:40 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F1CCCBA.7080802@rac.ca>
Source record: 3623
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RAC Bulletin 2012-003E - New Quebec Director
2011-01-22

Congratulations are extended to Mr. Sheldon M. Werner, VA2SH / VA6SH
who was recently elected as the RAC Director for Quebec. Mr. Werner
ran unopposed, eliminating the need for a balloted election. His role
as Director will be for the remainder of a two year term which ends
December 31, 2013. Mr. Werner has been a certified amateur operator
since 1976 and has been involved in many aspects of the hobby. He is
currently serving as the Vice President for the Montreal Amateur Radio
Club

Paul Burggraaf VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary

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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Quebec
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57. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 23 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-23 11:42:42 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba613adccd907f04b73085a5@google.com>
Source record: 3624
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with El Dorado County Office of Education,
Placerville, CA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/18nZa6Sxn48/ariss_event_2401.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with
participants at El Dorado County Office of Education, Placerville, CA on 24
Jan. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately 18:12 UTC

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Video of Codec2 presentation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iSzUIo9JWTU/codec2_presentation_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David Rowe VK5DGR gave a presentation on the amateur radio digital voice
Codec2 to the linux.conf.au 2012 in Ballarat, Jan 16-20, and was voted best
paper of the conference

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Medium Wave DX video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rIXs6y_tPG0/medium_wave_dx_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mark GM20877 has posted a YouTube video showing the transatlantic DX that
can be received on the medium wave band

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New Quebec Director

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eDzwRb73a-c/new_quebec_director.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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High Altitude Balloon Presentation video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/74-hnaELzXU/high_altitude_balloon_presentation_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A presentation on a High Altitude Balloon project using amateur radio by
Terry Baume VK5VZI, Foundation license holder Mark Jessop VK5FDRK, along
with embedded hardware and software hacker Joel Stanley

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CME Impact on January 22nd

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IkV8niNXRsQ/cme_impact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Earth's magnetic field is reverberating from a CME impact during the early
hours of January 22nd

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The art of ham-mering out a 'hello'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/izSy5bHeAPc/ham_mering_out_a_hello.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Hindu newspaper reports on amateur radio activity at the National Youth
Festivall held January 12-16, at Mangalore

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xVDP19ljAqU/dxcc_report_2301.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
15th-January, through Sunday, 22nd-January there were 217 countries active

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ITU HQ Special Activity

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u5ZxgLax8h4/itu_hq_special_activity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, will be operating with the
special callsign 4U1WRC between January 23rd and February 17th

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Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FoDtaqjkMXw/felcc_talk_0702.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Colin M0EAO will be presenting a talking session concerning Radio Radiation Patterns on Tuesday 7th February 2012

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NCDXF announces grant to VP6T Pitcairn Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yOpu6E_B0sE/ncdxf_pitcairn_grant.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce a contribution of 6,000 USDs to the VP6T Pitcairn Island DXpedition

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/goh19IoMCBI/january_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wPW7yc6AZCc/history_23_january.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

58. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-004E - WRC-2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-23 23:53:07 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F1DF302.7020102@rac.ca>
Source record: 3625
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RAC Bulletin 2012-004E - WRC-2012
2012-01-23

Blog Post - WRC2012

The World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC 2012) gets underway today
and runs until February 17 2012. What does the WRC +have to do with
Amateur Radio? Its just one way that the Radio Amateurs of Canada are
active in the rules governing not only our hobby, but radio as a
whole. This year, the delegation from Canada is composed of Industry
Canada Staff along with Bryan Rawlings VE3QN - our RAC representative.

Bryan is only part of the RAC team that deals with regulatory type
matters. George Gorsline VE3YV acts at the International Affairs
Officer. Norm Rashleigh VE3LC is the Industrial Liasion Officer.
Bill Gade VE4WO is the Regulatory Affairs Officer with a good amount
of help from Richard Ferch, who provides support for Regulatory Affairs.

Look forward to more details on WRC 2012 in a future TCA - and as
always - remember that everyone at RAC is here not only to promote the
hobby but to provide support to you, our members. Get in touch if we
can be of assistance!

Bill Gade VE4WO
Regulatory Affairs Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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59. ARRL Foundation Scholarship Application Deadline is February 1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-24 05:13:08 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120124045303.95BD423C28@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3626
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Calling all college students and high school seniors!
The ARRL Foundation Scholarship Application Deadline is February 1!

Will you be nominated to receive one of the prestigious ARRL Foundation Scholarships? Only a week remains until the application period for the 2012 scholarships closes on February 1.

Each year the ARRL Foundation awards dozens of scholarships to young hams pursuing higher education. The total of those awards tops $80,000! Several hundred of the country’s top high school and college students vie for awards ranging from $500 to $5000.

It’s easy to apply!

All the selection criteria, application forms and instructions can be found on the web at www.arrl.org/scholarship-program. Some scholarships have geographic criteria, others have a preference for field of study, and still others have no curricular or residence requirement.

The fundamental requirement is that an applicant be active FCC-licensed radio amateur. The application process is completely electronic, including the required academic transcript.

If you know a young ham who is attending college or is a high school senior, let them know that the deadline is only a week away.

Any questions may be emailed to foundation@arrl.org. But do it soon! Time is running out!

73, Cliff K0CA

ARRL Midwest Division
Director: Cliff Ahrens, K0CA
k0ca@arrl.org
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60. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 24 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-24 11:35:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934048f2fb19004b7448927@google.com>
Source record: 3627
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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RS-39 Chibis-M deploys tonight

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JJ0cDGQqqX4/rs39_chibis_m_deploys_tonight.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

RS-39 will be deployed at around 23:18:30 UT on Tuesday, January 24, and
radio amateurs are asked to send reception reports

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Disturbed solar conditions

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-Tl8LfCiFMI/disturbed_solar_conditions.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are currently experiencing very disturbed solar conditions, which should
create some interesting propagation over the next day or so

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ARISSat-1 Voice Messages

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rw_Ne27koS0/arissat1_voice_messages.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mike DK3WN has collected and posted the audio files that we heard from the
ARISSat-1 project. This is a wonderful piece of amateur satellite history!

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FUNcube Dongle in Radiouser Magazine

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h14-MrOUrQA/funcube_dongle_in_radiouser_magazine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The February issue of the UK magazine Radiouser features a 5-page article
on the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Dongle (FCD) VHF/UHF Software Defined Radio written
by Mike Richards G4WNC

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Hungarians rally to demand Klubrdi stays on air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NOM01gahFp8/klubradio_rally.htm?utm_sou

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Thousands of Hungarians rallied in Budapest on Sunday to demand that an opposition radio station be allowed to stay on air, protesting against what they say are attempts by the government to silence its critics

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Incoming CME

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z0a52rYirCo/incoming_cme.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Big sunspot 1402 erupted on January 23rd, producing a strong M9-class solar flare and a fast-moving coronal mass ejection (CME). Analysts at the Goddard Space Weather Lab say the CME should reach Earth on January 24th

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ARISS audio for upcoming contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HQqy8K6g_JQ/ariss_audio_2401.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the El Dorado County Office of Education, Placerville, CA on 24 Jan. Audio from this event will also be fed into the Echolink and IRLP servers

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Ofcom - record spectrum demand at London 2012 Games

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g_tg4Xm35P0/record_spectrum_demand_at_london_2012_games.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK communications regulator will be assigning up to 20,000 wireless frequencies to be used for the Games in London, more than double the number usually assigned in a year

61. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 22 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-24 13:57:55 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120124135742.C4D6233C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3628
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 22 January 2012

The news headlines:

New RadCom Band Plans show substantial changes

D-Star node test in London

Leap Day and Leap Second in 2012

. In particular, please note that there have been major changes in the 40m, 10m, 6m, 4m and 23cm bands, so please ensure that any older editions are discarded.

The digital node test for the pending London 2012 Olympic Simplex D-Star Nodes is planned for this weekend, 21 and 22 January. The test will be carried out both on 2m and 70cm in Echo Test Mode only, without D-Star gateway, between hours of 1000 and 1600UTC. The D-Star node will record your digital test transmission and then retransmit it back to you and, at the same time, you will then be able to see what type of coverage will be available. Today, 22 January, the test will be on 145.3125MHz. Gary, 2E0ULA and Michael, 2E0MRE will be on hand for assistance and talk back will be on to be GB7OK. For more info visit www.gb7ok.com.

The International Earth Rotation and Reference Systems Service has decided that a positive leap second will be added to Coordinated Universal Time, or UTC, at the end of June 2012. While a leap second can be added and taken from any month, it has only occurred at the end of December and June. The most recent leap was added on December 31, 2008. A leap second is necessary because of the Earth's unpredictable rotation. UTC is based on atomic clocks, but has been kept more or less synchronised with mean solar time by way of leap seconds.

The Six and Ten Reporting Club is an informal group of amateurs, mostly from the UK, who are interested in propagation studies at frequencies around the HF-VHF boundary, mainly the 6 and 10 metre amateur bands. The club produces a monthly newsletter, the Six and Ten Report, that includes analysis of 28MHz propagation based on beacon monitoring, analysis of 50MHz activity reports broken down by propagation mode, reports and discussions on unusual propagation events, compilations of solar and geomagnetic data, lists of activity world-wide, beacon news, and results of on-going experiments.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Horncastle Winter Rally will take place on 29 January in the Horncastle Youth Centre, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is ?1.50. Details from Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527 835.

Now for the news of special events

In addition to the clubs mentioned in previous weeks' news, the Riviera Amateur Radio Club will be supporting SOS Radio Week. GB4TBL will be operating on HF and 2m from Beacon Quay, Torquay Harbour on Saturday, 28 January between 1100 and 1600GMT. For full details see www.rivieraarc.org.uk/events/gb4tbl/.

Special event station DL150BH is active on all bands and modes until 31 December to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the city of Bad Honnef. QSL via the bureau.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

F8APV will be active from Reunion Island from 22 January until 10 February, signing portable FR. QSL as directed on the air.

Take, JG8NQJ will be back to Minami Torishima, OC-073, for three months. In his spare time he will operate mainly CW with some SSB as JG8NQJ/JD1, running 50 watts in order not to interfere with the weather station equipment. QSL via the bureau to JG8NQJ or direct to JA8CJY.

The website for the Kiritimati DXpedition is now up and running at www.t32kiritimati2012.com. Look for T32AU, T32CO, T32LJ, T32TR, T32TX, T32WW and T32WW to be on the air on 6 to 160 metres CW, SSB and RTTY.

Six operators will be active as TN2T from Congo from 22 to 31 January. The will have three stations active on 160 to 10m SSB, CW and RTTY, with a focus on 160 and 80m. Further information can be found at www.tn2t.be. QSL via M0URX, preferably via the OQRS facility on his website, http://m0urx.com/oqrs for either direct and bureau requests.

Now the contest news

The 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 24 January from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 24 January the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place at the same time, 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CQWW 160m DX Contest takes place for 48 hours, starting at 2200 on the 27th, using CW only. Work only the contiguous 48 States plus Canada, giving a signal report and CQ Zone. The UK is Zone 14. USA stations will send a signal report and their 2-letter State code, while Canadian stations will send a signal report and their 3-letter Province code. Accurate log keeping is a must in this event, because there are penalties for bad or busted QSOs.

The BARTG RTTY Sprint takes place for 24 hours on 28-29th from 1200 to 1200UTC. Since last year it has become an event in the HF Championship, but it is still adjudicated by BARTG and competing stations need to submit their entries to BARTG. Single band entries are not allowed and the contest uses the bands from 3.8 to 28MHz. The contest exchange is serial number only. Stations who have been placed in the Top 10 of any BARTG event in the past three years must enter the Expert category.

The Worked All Britain 1.8MHz phone contest takes place next Saturday, 28 January, from 1900 to 2300UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, by email to aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 13th to Thursday the 19th of January, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 20th of January.

On the 14th two new sunspot groups rotated into view and since then solar activity increased to moderate levels with M class solar flares taking place. The largest was a long duration M3 solar flare on the 19th. This flare lasted for just over four hours and was accompanied by a large coronal mass ejection. Several other flares produced sudden ionospheric disturbances and coronal mass ejections. Solar flux levels increased from 124 units on the 13th to 157 by the 19th. The average was 139. The 90 day solar flux average on the 19th was 144, that's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels increased to peak at C1 units on the 16th but declined back to B5.9 by the 19th. The average was B6.4 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. A very small disturbance arrived on the 16th with an Ap index of 8 units, which was the most disturbed day. The average was 4 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 560 kilometres per second on the 13th to 350 by the 19th. Particle densities were low except for an increase to 15 particles per cubic centimetre late on the 15th and early on the 16th. Bz showed little variation on most days but varied between minus 9 and plus 10 nanoTeslas on the 16th. A small aurora was reported during the afternoon and evening of the 16th but was restricted to stations in the far north. Lower down the spectrum, on 28MHz, all continents were worked every day. A small Sporadic-E opening was reported during the evening of the 19th.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be at moderate levels on some days. Solar flux levels should be around 150's or even slightly higher. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day, however, if a large solar flare takes place and an associated coronal mass ejection heads our way then activity would increase. A disturbance is expected to arrive late on the 21st or the 22nd from the M3 solar flare of the 19th. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 29MHz. Darkness hour lows are expected to be around 8MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 27MHz. The optimum

working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 20MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0700 and 1000 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Monday 23 January Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a newcomers night and informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 23 January Leicester Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from John, G0IJM, on 07939 121 132.

On Monday 23 January South Birmingham Radio Society is putting the shack on the air and having a ragchew. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 23 January Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having an introduction to aerial modelling using a PC by Clive, G0CHO. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 24 January Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at technical topics. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 24 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G6COL on the air and taking part in the Cumulative Club Contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 24 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is inviting members to bring along a vintage computer. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 24 January Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is on the air and looking at a high altitude balloon project. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 24 January Wythall Radio Club is revealing the results of its Christmas contest. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 25 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on digimodes in contesting by Dave, G3TBK. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 25 January Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a brainstorming session for its new programme and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 25 January South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a visit by RSGB DRM Steve, M5ZZZ. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Thursday 26 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G80WL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 27 January Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air on HF. details from Chris, M0BQE, on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 27 January Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a quiz night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 27 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 28 January Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Monday 23 January Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 23 January Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on working in meteorology by Keith, G0OXV. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 23 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having part 2 of the contest workshop led by Peter, G3PHO. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 23 January Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on error correction by John, G8RDP. Details from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 24 January Chester & District Radio Society is having an operating evening. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 24 January Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and starting the first of a series of construction workshops. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822636.

On Wednesday 25 January Chorley and District Amateur Radio Society commences its licence training courses, which will be ongoing through 2012. Details from Nessie, M0NES, by email to nessie68@hotmail.com.

On Wednesday 25 January Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a club night and watching a DVD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 25 January Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Barry, M1CYJ, on the Rediffusion days. Contact Keith,

G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Thursday 26 January South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the Cathode Ray Tube by Ged, G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 26 January Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a quiz with Chris, 2E0CJL, and there is a prize for the winner. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 27 January East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 27 January Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on a holiday visit to SV5RW. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 28 January Wakefield & District Radio Society starts its Foundation course at 13:30 and its Advanced course, with Dave, G0EVA, continues from 13:30. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

On Monday 23 February Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is having an enrolment night for its Intermediate course. The course itself will last ten weeks. Anyone interested should come along to the Knockagh Lodge, 236 Upper Road, Greenisland. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

Advanced notice now of an Intermediate course at West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club. Registration will be on Tuesday 7 February. The course will run on several Saturday afternoons between 18 February and 31 March, with the exam on 3 April. The total cost, including all materials and the exam fee, is ?65. Full details are online at www.wtarc.co.ok.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 24 January Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse practice. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 25 January Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on International Lighthouse Weekend 2011 by Geoff Crowley, MM5AHO. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 26 January Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a Morse class. Details from Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

We start with advance notice that Chesham & DARS is running an Advanced training course and Exam and looking for more prospective students. The course is on eight Sunday afternoons between 25 March and 27 May, excluding Easter Sunday, 8 April, and the Spring Bank Holiday weekend, 6 May. The exam will be on 31 May.&#65533;The Cost of the course will be ?40 for

room hire etc plus ?37.50 for the RSGB exam fee. More information from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491, or email cdars.club@ntlworld.com.

On Sunday 22 January Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having lunch at the Kings Arms, Ninfield. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Monday 23 January East Kent Radio Society is having a discussion and update about AROS by Brian Reay, G8OSN. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 23 January Surrey Radio Contact Club is having slide presentation on Croydon Airport by John King. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 24 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 24 January Dorking & District Radio Society is holding its AGM followed by a talk on Radio Scouting and the International Jamboree in Sweden by Stuart Barber, G6CJR. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 24 January Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 25 January Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM at WHC, starting at 20:30 prompt. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 25 January Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having an illustrated talk on Echolink by Gordon, M3YXH. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 25 January Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Thursday 26 January Bittern DX Group is having an informal club meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 26 January Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night with Neil, G8LPA. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 26 January Edgware & District Radio Society is having a natter and subs night. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 26 January Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 26 January Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the valve industry by Alan Stepney. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 27 January Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 27 January Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on crystal filters by Richard Harris, G3OTK. Contact Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 27 January Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on Nikola Tesla by Brian, G3YKB. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 27 January Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a demonstration and talk on RF phenomena by Andrew, G4ADM. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 28 January Bittern DX Group starts rounding up its weekend event for RNLI SOS Week. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 23 January Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Wednesday 25 January Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 26 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on crystal sets and early valve receivers by Geoff, G3TPQ. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 27 January Torbay Amateur Radio Society is awarding its Construction Cup. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

We start with sad news that the Swansea Rally, planned for Sunday 26 February, has been cancelled. The reason is that only a handful of traders had expressed an interest in attending. The organisers are hopeful that it may be possible to organise another rally later in the year. More information from Roger Williams, GW4HSH, on 01792 404 422.

On Thursday 26 January Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air, initially on 145.500 and then QSY to 145.550. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

62. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1046.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-24 14:00:35 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <865360.49850.qm@smtp109.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3629
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K2MGA, W2VU and G3SXW for the following DX information.

CQ PRES RELEASE (ARRL, CQ, Sign Agreement to Provide Logbook of the World Support for CQ Awards). The following press release was sent out by Richard Moseson, W2VU:

For more information, contact:
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Chief Operating Officer
ARRL - The national association for Amateur Radio
(860) 594-0200 / wj1b@arrl.org

Richard Ross (K2MGA)
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CQ Communications, Inc.
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 24, 2012

ARRL & CQ Sign Agreement to Provide
ARRL's Logbook of The World Support for CQ's Awards

(Hicksville, NY and Newington, CT - Jan. 24, 2012) – CQ Communications, Inc. (CQ) and ARRL – the national association for Amateur Radio, have signed an agreement to begin providing support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) electronic confirmation system.. The agreement was announced jointly today by ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, and CQ Communications President Richard Ross, K2MGA.

CQ's awards will be the first non-ARRL awards supported by LoTW and will be phased in, beginning with the CQ WPX award. Additional CQ awards will follow. The ARRL's LoTW system, an interactive database recording contacts between radio amateurs was created in 2003 and has been

adopted by 47,500 radio "hams" worldwide. It already has records of 400 million contacts and grows weekly. The target date for beginning LoTW support for WPX is April 1, 2012. Amateurs will be able to use LoTW logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard LoTW credit fees and CQ award fees will apply.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, observed that this step gives radio amateurs throughout the world an inexpensive and convenient means of gaining credits toward CQ's popular operating awards. "LoTW has significantly increased interest and participation in the ARRL's DXCC, Worked All States and VUCC awards programs. We anticipate a similarly positive response to the addition of the CQ WPX award. Amateurs will be able to spend more time operating and less time chasing QSL cards."

CQ President Richard Ross, K2MGA, said he is very pleased to be able to move forward with Logbook support for CQ awards. "We have had excellent results with electronic confirmations for several years," he said, "and I am glad that we are now able to begin expanding that convenience to those participants in our award programs who use Logbook of the World. We look forward to a smooth launch for WPX, and to the expansion of LoTW support to include the rest of our award programs as well."

ARRL (www.arrl.org) is the national association for Amateur Radio in the United States and publisher of its membership journal QST. CQ Communications, Inc. (www.cqcomm.com) is publisher of CQ Amateur Radio and several other magazines. There are currently over 700,000 Amateur Radio licensees in the USA and approximately 2.5 million worldwide.

To learn more go to < www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>.

SPECIAL EVENT (Titanic Centenary • Station GR100MGY - Press Release No. 1, 23 January 2012): The sinking of White Star Line's RMS Titanic on 15th April 1912 sent shock-waves around the world and has touched our hearts ever since. Those who perished in this disaster will be remembered on its 100th anniversary during many commemorative events.
Within amateur radio we recognise that this event marked the first time that Morse code saved so many lives at sea. Jack Phillips (1887-1912) was the liner's Chief Marconi Wireless Operator. He perished only after sending distress signals in Morse right until the ship foundered, thereby saving hundreds of lives. Jack was from Godalming, Surrey, where his heroism is constantly recalled. A group of local radio amateurs commemorated his heroism on the 90th anniversary of the sinking by setting up a radio station in Godalming with the call-sign GB90MGY. The letters 'MGY' were used by RMS Titanic for all its radio transmissions. Five years later, the Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group (WVARG), activated a similar commemorative station in Godalming, this time using GB95MGY.
For the 2012 centenary a much larger project to honour Jack's memory

will be mounted in Godalming by the Wey Valley club. From Tuesday 10th April (when Titanic sailed from Southampton), until the day of the sinking, Sunday 15th April, two transmitters will be manned continuously, with the special call-sign GR100MGY (Godalming Remembers the Centenary of the Titanic Disaster). There will be a short pause in transmissions at 0547 GMT on the Sunday, the time when distress messages ceased minutes before the liner sank. The transmitters will make contacts around the world, mostly in Morse code, targeting 15,000 two-way exchanges. Each contact may be confirmed with a specially printed card depicting Titanic and Jack Phillips.
We offer our grateful thanks to Charterhouse for providing operating facilities at their excellent Godalming location, to Ofcom for allocating the special call-sign and to Waverley Borough Council and Godalming Town Council for their support and embodying this event in their commemorative programme.
During Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th April, from 12:00 noon until 4:00pm, the general public will be welcome to visit the station to observe the transmissions and to participate in this memorable commemorative event.
Further information: Michael Shortland, G0EFO, michaelgs1@talktalk.net

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For Amateur Radio Publications
Some fifteen operators will man two 400 watt transmitters on the eight HF bands from 3.5 to 28 MHz , using directional antennas. Only CW will be used except on the open days, 14-15th April, when SSB will help the public to understand the operation. Activity on VHF is also planned. QSL information can be found at: http://www.QRZ.com.
GR100MGY will be located at 0° 37° 18° West, 51° 11° 49° North, Locator
IO91qe: Charterhouse, Hurtmore Road, Godalming, Surrey, GU7 2DX.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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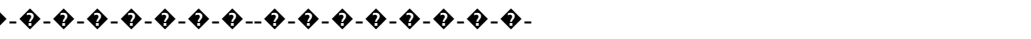
-  -

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63. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 16 - 22 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-24 22:33:01 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120124223001.E47EC33C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3630
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jan 24 2144 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
16 - 22 January 2012

Solar activity reached moderate levels as Regions 1401 (N18, L=213,
class/area Eki/540 on 19 January) and 1402 (N28, L=214, class/area
Eko/630 on 17 January) both produced M-class events. Region 1401
produced an M1/1n on 17/0453Z and an M1/1n on 18/1912Z. Region 1402
followed with an M3/2n on 19/1605Z. The 19 January event was
associated with and Type IV radio emission and a full halo CME. Type
II emissions were detected on 19/1252Z and 19/1933Z with speeds of
933 km/s and 694 km/s respectively. Partial halo CMEs were also
observed on 16 and 18 January. Activity decreased to very low levels
late on 19 January. Isolated low-level C-class flares were observed
on 20 - 22 January. Plage Region 1396 (N27, L=287, class/area
Dao/110 on 17 January) produced a C1 flare at 20/2112Z associated
with a Type II radio sweep (945 km/s) and a non-Earth-directed CME.
Region 1402 produced a long-duration C1 flare at 20/2333Z associated
with a weak Type IV radio sweep.

An enhancement of the greater than 10 MeV proton flux at
geosynchronous orbit began around 20/0800Z and continued through the
end of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels the entire period.

Geomagnetic field conditions ranged from quiet to unsettled levels,
with a brief excursion into active-major storm levels at high
latitudes on 22 January. Field conditions were predominately quiet
from 17-21 January. On 22 January, an interplanetary shock passed
the ACE spacecraft at approximately 22/0514Z, likely indicating the
arrival of the full-halo CME observed on 19 January in LASCO
imagery. This was followed by a geomagnetic sudden impulse (SI) at
22/0614Z (31 nT observed by the boulder magnetometer). Field
activity increased to unsettled to major storm levels at high
latitudes following the SI.
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Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
25 January - 20 February 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low with M-class flares likely until Regions 1401 and 1402 depart on 28 January. Predominantly quiet levels are expected for the remained of the period.

Protons greater than than 10 MeV are expected to remain above event threshold from 25 - 26 January. A return to background levels is expected for the remainer of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels the entire period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be at active to minor storm levels on 25 January as effects from the CME from 23 January wane. Quiet levels are expected on 26 January. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected on 27 January as a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) becomes geoeffecitve. A return to quiet levels is expected until 02 - 03 February, with quiet to unsettled levels expected as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective. Predominantly quiet levels are expected from 04-08 February. Another CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective with quiet to unsettled levels expected from 09-10 February. Predominantly quiet levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

64. [DXNL] DXNL 1764 (Jan 25, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-24 23:45:24 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <436032703.20120125004021@dxhf.darc.de>
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3V, TUNISIA
Ash,KF5EYY, will be QRV again from the clubstation in Hammam Sousse
signing 3V8SS in the upcoming CQ 160m CW Contest (Jan 27-29) as SOLP.
QSL via LX1NO, unfortunately only direct. See: http://www.kf5eyy.com

4U, ITU HEADQUARTERS GENEVA
The "International Amateur Radio Club" (4U1ITU) uses the special call
4U1WRC during the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 (WRC-12)
working in all modes on 160-6m from Jan 23 till Feb 17. QSL via 4U1ITU.
http://twitter.com/4u1itu http://life.itu.int/radioclub

8Q, MALDIVE ISLANDS, AS-013
Bert,CX3AN, and Mario,CX4CR, are going to become active as 8Q7HU from
Maafushi Island (AS-013, WLOTA 3911, Loc MJ63RW) in the Kaafu atoll
(North Male atoll) from Jan 25 until Feb 5. They will work in CW, SSB
and digital modes on 80m-6m. QSL via CX3AN (QRZ.com).
Their website is http://www.qsl.net/8q7hu

9M4, WESTERN MALAYSIA, AS-015
The members of the Malayan amateur radio club (M.A.R.T.S.) celebrate
the Chinese New Year with the special callsign 9M4CNY. They will be QRV
from Penang Island (AS-015) in SSB on 14.288 MHz and 7.088 MHz on
Jan 29 from 0700 UTC until 1600 UTC. QSL unfortunately only direct.

C6, BAHAMAS
N1GN and NE1B will be QRV as C6ANM in the M/S class of the upcoming
CQ 160m CW Contest. QSL via LoTW or direct via WA2IYO.

DL, GERMANY
The city of Schlitz, celebrates its 1200th city jubilee in 2012. The
picturesque castle town is nestled between the mountain ranges
Vogelsberg, Rhoen and Knuell. The medieval town center invites everyone
to explore the ancient walls and castles. The local HAMs are operating

the special event station DL0SLITISA. QSL via bureau.

FH, MAYOTTE, AF-027
Giovanni,IK5BCM, Giuseppe,IK5CBE, and Giovanni,IK5CRH, will be QRV as TO4M from Mayotte (AF-027) between Jan 28 and Feb 5. They will use two stations with amplifiers in SSB, CW, PSK31 and RTTY on 80m-10m with normal dipoles and two rotary dipoles for 10m and 12m.
QSL via IK5CRH, LoTW, eQSL. See also: http://to4m.xoom.it

HR, HONDURAS
Gerard,HR5/F2JD will show up again from Copan in all modes on all bands between Feb 2 and May 6. QSL via F6AJA. See also: http://f2jd.free.fr
An online log can be found at: http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php

KH6, HAWAII, OC-019
Haru,JA1XGI/W8XGI, is visiting Hawaii from Jan 31 until Feb 4 and wants to become QRV as W8XGI/KH6. QSL via JA1XGI.

LX, LUXEMBURG
Ron,DL3BPC returns to Luxemburg to join the CQ 160m CW Contest as LX7I.
QSL via LX2A.

R1M, MALYJ VYSOTSKIJ ISLAND, to be deleted
Malyj Vysotskij Island is likely to be deleted from the DXCC entities list on Feb 17.

SM, SWEDEN
Fons,ON4AWT, Raf,ON5RZ, and Dirk,ON7DS, will be QRV as SI9AM from the "King Chulalongkorn Memorial clubstation" from Jan 25-30 including the UBA SSB DX Contest. QSL via SM3CVM. See also: http://www.si9am.se

V3, BELIZE, NA-180
Art,NN7A, will show up from South Water Caye (NA-180) between Jan 27 and Feb 1 signing V31JZ/p (same callsign like before). Listen for him mainly in CW on 160m-10m running 100 watts into wire antennas. If the conds are fair enough he wants to join the CQ 160m CW he Contest also.
QSL via NN7A.

VK0/M, MACQUARIE ISLAND, AN-005
The HAM spirit has improved od the bands again and thus Trevor,VK0TH, is now back again in SSB/CW/RTTY/PSK/Hell for 1-2 hours every day from 0700-1200 UTC. You can also find him in the ON4KST chatroom from time to time. He will use the special call AX0TH on Jan 26 (Australia Day).
QSL via JE1LET, unfortunately only direct.

VP8/F, FALKLAND ISLANDS, SA-002
Rich,G0ZEP, plans to activate the East Islands (WLOTA 1479) and also the West Islands (IOTA SA-002, WFF GFF-024) as VP8DFR.
QSLs via homecall, unfortunately only direct (see QRZ.com).

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Jose,CT1FKN, has a license for T6JM until Jun 13. As a member of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) he wants to find some

space to build a (small) HAM radio antenna despite all restrictions. If
everything works out he might show up in SSB and digital modes on 20m.
QSL via home call.

Kurt,KE7KUS is based in Bagram until the mid of February. After waiting
for five months his license has been issued on Jan 17 finally.
The first QSO was made as T6KK on Jan 19. QSL via homecall, LoTW, eQSL.
Kurt has limited antenna possibilities as well.

YS, EL SALVADOR
All WPX hunters will be pleased to hear that a group of DL3JJ, DF7TT,
DK8YY, DL4JS, DL5SE, DL2ARD, DL8ALU, OK4MM, YS1ZC, YS1MAE and YS1GMV
will be QRV as HU2DX with several stations (with focus on the lowbands)
from Jan 29 until Feb 10. QSL via DH7WW. See also: http://www.hu2dx.de

EK6LP on LoTW
If you want to get EK6LP confirmed via LoTW you should send an e-mail
with the QSL information to RN4LP.
Editor: An upload of the complete log would be much easier...

SILENT KEYS: The BCC member Joop,P43B, passed away after a severe illness
on Jan 19. Tur,YL2UZ (leader of YL4HQ), aged 49, passed away on Jan 9.
Our condolences and compassion to the families and friends.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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WA7BNM Contest Calendar: http://hornucopia.com/contestcal

Two websites dealing with a good operating technique are:
DX Code of Conduct: http://dx-code.org/home.html
Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur:
http://www.ham-operating-ethics.org

Slovenia World Castles: Information about the new S5 WCA award can be
found at: http://wca.hamradio.si

Postages: Bill,W9OL, published a website with postage rates worldwide:
http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/IRC_Chart.htm

Propagation Monitoring: If you are looking for the latest propagation
news you should always check: http://www.voacap.com

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jan 27-29 CQWW 160m Contest, CW
Jan 28/29 REF Contest
Jan 28/29 BARTG RTTY Sprint
Jan 28/29 UBA DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-007, JA1 etc, Honshu Island: The special event station 8J1YMS will be QRV
from Yoshikawa (JCC 1343, WLOTA 2376) between Feb 1 and Mar 31 from the
opening of the "Yoshikawa Minami Station", built by the East Japan
Railway Company (JR East). QSL via JARL bureau.

The special event station 8J9LITE will be QRV from Kanazawa (JCC 3001,
WLOTA 2376) during February 2012. QSL via JARL bureau.

EU-013, GJ/MJ, Jersey: Richard,K2WR, will show up as as SO/HP signing GJ2A
in the CQ 160m CW Contest (Jan 27-29). His QTH is St. Brelade on the
Isle of Jersey (WLOTA 0818). He will sign MJ0AWR before and after the
contest starting on Jan 24/25. QSL only direct via K2WR or via LoTW.

EU-089, CU8/9, Azores Western group: The Algarve STAR DX Team members
Toze,CT1GFK, Antonio,CU8AS, Rudi,HB9CQL, and Hermann,HB9CRV, will sign
CR2W in the CQWW 160m CW Contest from the QTH of Antonio,CU8AS, on
DFP FAZ-02, TWLHD WLH CU-008, ARLHS AZO-016, WLOTA 0947, DIP AZ-008.
QSL via HB9CRV (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.to-mk.com/neu

NA-085, W4, Florida State North West: Dennis,WA2USA/4, will be active from
St. George Island (ARLHS USA-1057, USI FL007S) on Feb 1-27.
More information can be found at: http://www.wa2usa.com
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

PY2, SA-024, Sao Paulo State West group/SA-071, Sao Paulo State Centre group
A Brazilian/Italian team plans to activate Comprida Island (SA-024) and
Peruhibe Island (SA-071) between Jan 30 and Feb 9. They will use the
same callsign PR2I from both islands. The team includes Leopoldo,I8LWL,
Paki,IZ8GDO, Vespe,IW8EZV, Angelo,PY2VA, and Toni,PY2YW.
More details can be found at: http://w.i8lwl.it
QSL via IK7JWX (NOT via I8LWL, like stated elsewhere).

OC-001, VK, Australia: Tino,VK3EGN, plans to join the CQ 160m CW Contest as
well using his 3 ele Lambda/2 vertical beam. These QSOs are also good
for WLOTA (LH 1520). Please send your QSLs via VK bureau.

Lighthouse activities

3D2HA LH 0055 Jan 26&#65533;30
8Q7HU LH 3911 Jan 25&#65533;Feb 5
9M4CNY LH 2743 Jan 29
FW0R LH 0389 Jan 25&#65533;Feb 23
J3/K8EAB LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9
J3/KB9AVO LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9
J3/KC4VG LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9
J3/N7UN LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9
J3/W3FF LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9
J3/W6HFP LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9
J3/W7ZT LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9
J3/WG0AT LH 0718 Feb 1&#65533;9

TO4M LH 0376 Jan 28 Feb 5

Bandspots of the last 7 days

80m
PJ4C 3.775 2336Z via F9IE, (B)

30m
5B4AIZ 10.107 1527Z G3SWH
PJ4C 10.106 0845Z via F9IE (B)

20m
9A205CW 14.014 1600Z
A47RS 14.283 1458Z (B)
HZ1BW 14.270 1558Z via HZ7C (B)
HZ1FI 14.031 1507Z via DL2RMC
KE5AKL 14.061 1740Z SOTA W5/SI02
PY7XC/P 14.040 0944Z SA-046
V85SS 14.007 0855Z (d)

17m
4J85K 18.070 1016Z
CT7/OH2OT 18.083 0948z
PJ4C 18.078 1354Z via F9IE, (B)

15m
5N7M 21.001 1613Z OM3CGN
7X4AN 21.028 1614Z (d), QRZ.com
HZ1HN/P 21.260 0907Z AS-193
P40V 21.006 1610Z AI6V
PJ4B 21.315 1641Z via PA8A, (B)
PJ4C 21.295 1647Z via F9IE, (B)
PJ4C 21.295 1626Z via F9IE, (B)
SV0XCC/9 21.010 1010Z EU-015
TF2MSN 21.333 1637Z
V5/DJ2HD 21.245 0837Z

12m
PJ4B 24.975 1350Z via PA8A (B),
PJ4C 24.892 1652Z via F9IE, (B)
PJ4C 24.960 1618Z via F9IE, (B)

10m
CT9/CT5KAO 28.520 1552Z AF-014
ER5AL 28.009 1535Z RW6HS
LU7YS 28.007 1527Z
PJ4C 28.018 1310Z via F9IE, (B)
TF5B 28.092 1248Z (B)
UA9CCL 28.032 0959Z
V5/DJ2HD 28.490 0954Z

6m
9A203SM 50.097 1715Z via 9A3SM

HA8UT 50.095 1722Z

(d) nly direct
(B) ureau ok
(L) oTW
(r) ureau QSL via e-mail request

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

27Jan-29Jan 3V8SS 1764 *
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
23Jan-17Feb 4U1WRC 1764 *
Unknown 4W0VB 1763
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674
20Jan-03Feb 6W7SK 1763
31Mar 8N1JARL.. 1762
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
31Jan/12 8J4EQ 1754
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757
25Jan-05Feb 8Q7HU 1764 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
29Jan 9M4CNY 1764 *
Long term 9N1FE 1740
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
26Jan AX0TH.. 1764 *
27Jan-29Jan C6ANM 1764 *
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
-Mar CE9VPM 1752
-08Feb C21HA 1763
27Jan-29Jan CR2W 1764 *
20Jan-13Feb CU8AS.. 1763
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr D2SG 1748
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764 *
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31 Dec DQ125HSB 1763
-Mar/12 EA1CYK/p 1759
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
01Dec-28Feb EM0BSCC/mm 1756

-31Jan EM1000USK 1758

-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
Unknown FK/9A4DU 1763
22Jan-10Feb FR/F8APV 1763
-Jul FR8NE 1710
24Jan-23Feb FW0R.. 1763
21Jan-29Jan GB1OL.. 1763
2012 GB80PW 1762
Jan GJ2A.. 1764 *
Unknown HA100CGCDH 1762
Sep -2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
21Jan-06Feb HK0NA 1763
16Jan-26Mar HK3JCL 1762
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764 *
29Jan-10Feb HU2DX 1764 *
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
-Feb II0MZ 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
-Apr J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-15Apr JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
-31Jan JT1RF 1763

01Jan-31Jan K3Y 1760
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
22Jan-28Jan KH0/HB9BCK 1763
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
27Jan-29Jan LX7I 1764 *
-31Jan LZ1818MOG 1762
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
01Jan-31Jan ON800TUR 1763
-Feb OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar P29FR 1742
21Jan-17Mar PJ2/AA9A.. 1763
-22Jan PJ4B 1761
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
23Jan-30Jan PJ4M 1763
30Jan-9Feb PR2I 1764 *

-31Jan R10DDX 1762
-Mar RI1ANA 1762
-Sep RI1FJA 1741

-Sep RI1FJM 1741
25Jan-30Jan SI9AM 1764 *
Unknown SN2012WW.. 1763
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
Unknown SX1912 1763
17Jan-02Feb T32AU.. 1762
-Apr T6BP 1746
-13Jun T6JM 1764 *
-Feb T6KK 1764 *
-Jun T6MO 1733
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
22Jan-31Jan TN2T 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755
28Jan-05Feb TO4M 1764 *
NOW TR0A/p 1760

27Jan-01Feb V31JZ/p 1764 *
-26Feb V31YN.. 1763
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
NOW VK0TH 1748/1763/1764 *
27Jan-29Jan VK3EGN 1764 *
12Jan-04Feb VP6T.. 1762
Unknown VP8DFR 1764 *
-Feb VP8DMH 1757
21Jan-28Jan VP8DNT 1762
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
-Mar VU3BPZ.. 1762
31Jan-04Feb W8XGI/KH6 1764 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
Unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
22Jan-27Jan ZF2TE 1763
-Mar ZS7KX 1740/1749

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

3A2MG via F9JS
3V8SS via LX1NO (d)
3Z20WOS via SP5YOW
4J9M via DL7EDH (d)
4L4ZA via DJ1CW (d)
4U1WRC via 4U1ITU (B)
4W0VB via UA4WHX (B)
8J1YMS via JARL bureau
8J9LITE via JARL bureau
8Q7HU via CX3AN (d)

9A0V via 9A6DR (B)
9A201A via 9A1A (B)
9A205K via 9A5K (B)
9G1YK via PA3ERA (B)
9M4CNY via (d)
9N1AA via N4AA (B)
A31IO via DK7AO
A31YL via DK7AO
A61K via EA7FTR
A61R via EA7FTR
A65BP via UA6MF
AX0TH via JE1LET (d)
BA5HAM via IK2DUW (B)
C6ANM via WA2IYO (d), (L)
CR2W via HB9CRV (bureau/direct)
CT9/CT5KAO via CT5KAO (B), (L), eQSL
DB50EFA via DL8DWL (B), eQSL
DL/MD0VMD via MD0VMD (B)
DL50LINDAU via DL1CBQ (B)
DL0SLITISA via DK4FB (B)
DN0UKW via DO9PL (B)
DP0GVN via DL5EBE (B)
DQ775BLN via DL7PI (B)
DQ0STRATEX via DK4REX (B)
ED7IVN via EA7IVN (B)
EH1ILB via EA1UU
EK6LP via RN4LP (d), (L)
EK6TA via DJ0MCZ (d)
EK85DX via EK7DX (d)
EW6DX via EB7DX (d)
EX8AS via EX2A (B)
FJ/SN2012WW via SP9KRT (B)
GB4RNLI via (d)
GJ2A via K2WR (d/L)
HB0/HB9LCW via HB9LCW (B), (L)
HG7SNOW via HA7PL
HK1T via EA5KB (B)
HR5/F2JD via F6AJA (B)
HU2DX via DH7WW (B)
JR7ISY/JD1 via JR7ISY (B)
KG4AJ via NI5DX (B)
KG4JR via KJ4TLB
KP4LH via KP4UNO (d), eQSL
KT3Q/6 via DF8DX (B), (L)
LX7I via LX2A (B)
MJ0AWR via K2WR (d/L)
MN0VFW via MI0VAX
N2Y via K1NIU (d)
OD5PY via KU9C (d), (L), eQSL
OG30OJ via OH3OJ (B)

PI9SRS via PD9RAY (B)
PJ4C via F9IE (B), (L)
PR2I via IK7JWX (bureau/direct)
SI9AM via SM3CVM (B)
SX1912K via SZ2RCP (B)
T6JM via CT1FKN (B)
T6KK via KE7KUS (B), (L)
TI2/AA8VL via AA8VL (d, use his TI address), eQSL
TO4M via IK5CRH (L)
TT8FC via EA3GWK (B)
UA1ZEY/MM via RW6HS (d)
V31JZ/p via NN7A (B)
V47GIW via W4GIW (L only)
V5/DJ5AO via DJ5AO
VE2CSI via M0URX (B)
VK3EGN via VK-Bureau
VK5CP/9 via VK5CP (B), (L)
VP6T via G3TXF (B)
VP8/EA1CYK via EA7LS (B)
VP8DFR via G0ZEP (d)
VP8DMH via M0PRL (B)
W8XGI/KH6 via JA1XGI (B)
WA2USA/4 via WA2USA (bureau/direct)
XU7ARJ via JA3ARJ (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSL Delays
Stan,SQ8X, apologizes for any delays with the QSLs of JX5O caused by
his severe illness. All OQRS and direct requests are not lost:
http://janmayen2011.org/jx5o-important-update

Paul,I1RBJ, is also recovering from an illness and works on his big
QSL pile.

QSLs arrived direct: 3D2A (VK4AN), 4K4N (AS-104, G4WFZ), 7U5CI (OM3CGN),
A65BM & HP3AK (W4JS), FO/N6JA, , FO5RK (OC-051),
J79WWW (N4USA), ST0R (EA5RM), VE8RCS/VY0, VK9NN,
CO8ZZ (DK1WI), YJ0VK (VK2CA), ZK2X (N3SLl),
ZK2V & ZK2X (N3SL)

QSLs arrived bureau: 3Z50KCR (SP5KCR), 4K0VB, 5B50AIV (LZ3CQ), 5H3VMB,5R8VB,
5V7CC (DL9MBI), 5V7CC (DL9MBI), 6W/LA9DL, 7Q7VB, 9X0VB,
9A/DH1NAX, A6/RV6LNA (UA6MF), AN80ADE/p (EC2ADE),
E44M (SP3DOI), EA8AHC, EA8BHD, EG5CI (EA5EOR), EW8DZ,
F/DL9SEP/p, F/IK4RQJ, F/IZ4BBF (IZ4BBF), FG/DL1CW,
FJ/OH12YL, FM/DL1CW, HB0/DL2JRM, HF777L (SQ8JCB),

HG2011R (HA1DAE), HS0ZJS (HB9PHJ), IS0E (EA5KA),
IT9SGN, J45RDS, JW/DG5NFF, K3EST, KH2/KT3Q (DL3OCH),
LZ1794MAB, LZ2A, MJ/DL3SEM, OY/DL3OCH, OZ/OO4O,
PJ2/PA7JWC, PJ4I (DL9USA), PJ6A (N4NX), PT7DX,
R41WP (RA3LBA), RX9WN, SK0HS/5, SP80RD (SP9RD),
SV5/DL6NBR/p, SV8/DL6NBR/p, SX5A, TA/DL7BC, TK/ON5RA,
V25Y (RV1CC), V5/HB9PHJ, VK4LDX/p, VY0V (VE3LYC),
YM0KK (QSO 1995!), YO9FNP

QSLs arrived LoTW: 5B/G4IRN, 5P5L, 5X1NH, 6V7N, 8Q77EA, 9J2VB, 9X0VB,
A61K, AA1K, CE0Y/G0KBO, CE3/LU1FAM, CN8NK, CT9/MJ0ASP,
DD1UN, DF5WA/p, DK4WD, DL1EFD, DL2BUM, EA4URE, EA6BH,
EA8CN, EH7GXW, EO7V, FG5LA, G/DL7FA, HA3PT, IT9YVO,
J6/W0MU, JA1VND, JW4WJ, K1TO, K0SR, K1LT, K2MFY, K9CT,
KE0UI, KE5AKL, KH8/K6SRZ, LZ9W, MJ/DL3OCH, MU/DL3OCH,
N9TGR, NE1C, NE3F, P29JA, PA3YH, PJ2/K2PLF, PJ2/PA7JCW,
PR7AB, R450WB, RN3ADV, RU3AV, SP9RPW, SV1QN, T32C, T6M
O,
TO5G, UA2CZ, UN6P, UN7JZ, VE3USP, VP2MWG, W2FU, YK9A,
XF3/IZ2LSC, YT1AT, YV5NEA, Z30M, ZK1EFD, ZK1LPN, ZS2I

New Bands for Cuba (CL)

Holders of the Cuban licence class 3 (indicated by the prefix CL) are
allowed to work also on 3550-3750 kHz and 7100-7125 kHz (10 watts) now.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DJ5AV,
DJ5IH, DJ6VM, DJ9ZB, DL1MDV, DL1SBF, DL2BQV, DL7MAE, NG3K, OE2IKN, OH2BU,
F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, VA3RJ and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

65. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 25 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-25 11:16:45 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb05f22d14004b7586588@google.com>
Source record: 3632
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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RS-39 heard

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m6TJgW3_3z0/rs39_heard.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On the AMSAT bulletin board Jakub Hruska reported receiving signals from
RS-39 shortly after deployment

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AMSAT-UK Schools communications satellite

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-IJgF5vgJpw/amsat_uk_schools_communications_satellite.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Jan 25-31 printed edition of Electronics Weekly (circulation 36,400)
carries an article on the AMSAT-UK FUNcube amateur radio satellite

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Logbook of the World support for CQ Awards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_beBdbtfFvo/logbook_of_the_world_support_for_cq_awards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CQ Communications and the ARRL have signed an agreement to begin providing
support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the
World (LoTW) electronic confirmation system

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Taking to the airwaves to help lifeboat crews

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pcVoCkYxUus/taking_to_the_airwaves_to_help_lifeboat_crews.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Peterlee Mail reports that amateur radio enthusiasts transmitted from
Hartlepool Lifeboat Station as part of the service’s biggest annual
fundraising drive

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Watch 4U1ITU - as 4U1WRC - live on the internet

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3qu2-3t43fs/4u1wrc_live_on_the_internet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL report that a webcam has been installed at 4U1ITU - the Amateur Radio station at the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) in Geneva

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Dayton Contest Dinner Speaker

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WyMyRrxx0J8/dayton_contest_dinner_speaker.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

North Coast Contesters are happy to announce that 'Tree' Tyree, N6TR, will be the featured speaker at the 20th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner to be held on Saturday, May 19th, in Dayton, Ohio

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Satellite demo in Palm Springs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Lw8AGB1_z9Y/satellite_demo_in_palm_springs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT area coordination Clint Bradford K6LCS will again be attending and demonstrating working ham satellites with minimal equipment at the third annual Desert Radio Amateur Transmitting Society (Desert RATS) HamFest this Saturday, January 28, 2012

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Hacking EU radio spectrum policy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r4sVoC86qIk/hacking_eu_radio_spectrum_policy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A video of the presentation given by radio amateur Alexander List HB9/OE9LAJ of the Open Spectrum Alliance to hackers at the SIGINT 2010 event is now available

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Recent solar disturbances

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Fgn5jmVOvpk/solar_disturbances_bochum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The disturbances have the potential of serious impact on terrestrial systems like communication and power systems

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BfUnI4SOXW8/january_25.htm?utm_source=f

eedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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RS-39 Telemetry Decoder

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9r2pjRvSIIA/rs39_telemetry_decoder.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mike Rupprecht DK3WN has made available software to decode the CW telemetry beacons of RS-39 (435.315 and 435.215 MHz)

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WRC-12 Day 1 - IARU-R1 report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OhZcdb60fjw/wrc_12_day_1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The opening of WRC-12 took place in Geneva on January 23, 2012. More than 3000 delegates from over 150 countries are represented

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Article - 'OSCAR-1 Launched 50 Years Ago'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Dscx3NHqiZo/oscar1_launched_50_years_ago.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL have released an English translation of an article about the pioneering amateur radio satellite OSCAR-1

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SI9AM live video broadcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jD87fGI8xvY/si9am_live_broadcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

3 Belgian hams will be operating the amateur radio special event station SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden between January 25 and January 30, 2012, and plan to have a live video stream in operation

66. MMMonVHF Newsletter / No. 1 - WEEK 04/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-25 23:03:02 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
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Source record: 3633
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** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 04/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-01-25
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week (thursday)
from now on - if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and watch our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 **

In the period Jan. 1th to Jan. 21th, it was possible to vote for
"The best VHF DX-pedition of the year 2011".
The voting has closed and the results will be published in february.

SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX on behalf of the TEAM of MMMonVHF

** MS Sprint Contest 2011 **

Every year MMMonVHF and DUBUS are organizing the MS Sprint Contest
around the maximum of the Perseids meteorshower. The logs have been
processed and the winners for 2011 are known!

Section QRP

1st Place: ON6NL
2nd Place: UT5U
3rd Place: RK1AA/1

Section QRO

1st Place: RX1AS
2nd Place HB9FAP
3rd Place UT2UB

Section Team:

QRP F/SV1NZX
QRO US8ZAL
/P YU2DX

Best station outside Europe

W7OJT

Complete list of results and soapbox is available on:
http://mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php?year=2011

All stations will receive an E-award from the contestmanager DK5EW.
The team of MMMonVHF and DUBUS congratulates the winners of each section.

SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF-team

** DXCC R1/M will be deleted DXCC by Feb. 17th 2012 **

R1MV, MALYJ VYSOTSKI ISLAND (Deletion of MVI Coming!). Jari, OH2BU,
reports: "The day of deletion has now been confirmed: Finnish and Russian
ambassadors met today, January 17th, and exchanged the documents signed
by the presidents of both countries. The new agreement of the lease of
Saimaa Channel will be in force one month from today - February 17th.
As the new agreement does not include Malyj Vysotskij (R1MV ...), the
island will be deleted from the DXCC-list the day before, February 16th,
2012. This is, of course, subject to the decision of ARRL DXCC Committee.
It's unlikely that any DXpedition will come on from the island before the
deletion, although our Russian friends would have a possibility to do it."

SOURCE: OH2BU in dx-world.net

** PSK2k, new meteorscatter software available **

In the MMMonVHF newsletter 3, dated Jan. 18th, we informed you about the
recently developped PSk2k software.

The software is still in development and there was a lot of feed-
back and this resulted in some changes in the software. Main reason
were some issues with non-decodable bursts. This is not caused by the
signalstrenght or the decoder but is a software packed synchronisa-
tion issue.

A solution is worked out at the moment and will be released in the next
couple of weeks when the testing period is finished. As the new version
will use a different packetlenght and therefore the current verion 4.7
or earlier will not be able to decode the new code. Advised is to keep
version 4.7 in a seperate folder so you will be able to decode data
received with version 4.7 or earlier.

There are big advantages going down this route:

1) Non-decodes of the observed type cannot occur;
2) Less computational resourse needed;
3) Packet synchronisation will be very much better;
4) It will be simple to visualize all traffic on the channel (at the
moment you can only see genaral messages or messages adressed to you)

Downsides?

Other then not being able to decode te earlier data, the downside is than
the minimum packetlenght is going from 0.108s to 0.135s which will result
in the fact that ping shorter than 70 ms will not be decoded.

Klaus, DJ5HG, is working hard to work on the new concept and is running
short on free time to do this. It is expected to take a week or two
before hearing more.

The forwarded saved, non decoded data, is not longer needed. Thanks to all
who sent in copy.

http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/psk2k/

SOURCE: Roger, GW4WND, to the PSK2k usergroup

** Aurora **

Hot item in many newsbulletins was the recent activity of the sun. Last
week the sun produced the largest flare in almost 8 years... a M8.7-class.
The CME (Coronal Mass Eruption), who was directed towards Earth,
arrived on Thuesday Jan. 24th around 14.30 UTC. As the geomagnetic field
was still perturbed due to the CME impact from Jan. 22nd, the influence
could be much larger than normal and cause severe storms.
The visual aurora was amazing...however the radio aurora was not as good as many hoped.
Aurora was reported into the IOx0 and JOx0 locatorrows.

There are many sites showing graphics about the auroral activity. A nice one
to check is the SuperDARN Global Ionospheric Convection Map at URL:
http://superdarn.jhuapl.edu/rt/cnvmap/index.html
This radar, consisting of 14 radars on the northern hemiphere and 8 on the southern,
can measure the position and velocity of charched particles in the Earth's
ionosphere. It visualizes better what is going on than just looking at a
graphic.

SOURCE: Frank,PA4EME, on behalf of the MMMonVHF-team

** Meteorscatter February 2012 **

Only minor showers hit the Earth in February - March. The most significant is
Capricornids / Sagittariids (peaking February 2nd), a medium-ZHR daytime shower;
its radiant culminates at relatively low elevation in northern emisphere skies.
Sporadic meteors have reached their seasonal minimum, but MS contacts are still
possible, especially in early morning hours.
Have a look to MS predictions for February - March 2012, at our MMM MS-Propagation

page. The page will be updated end of month for February and March.

SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF-team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: FG; square: FK96; start 2012-04-12 **
USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4097

FG4KH (FK96) is annouced to be QRV on 144 MHz in the period between April 12 and April 26 2012. Further details are on URL
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/

The 432 MHz expedition ended and QSL's will be send when ready.

SOURCE: Philippe, F1DUZ, to Moon-Net, Jan. 18th.

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Conway Reef, 3D2C **

The YT1AD team have planned their next DXpedition to be active from Conway Reef (OC-112, Grid Loc. RG78) between 25 September and 6 October, 2012. The team already has received the callsign 3D2C. They will be QRV on all HF bands 160-10m, all modes. They will also be active on 6 and 2 metre 6 EME with WSJT65 A,B,C on 50.375 MHz and 144.375 MHz. A 6 metre beacon will be setup on 50.095 MHz. Operators include Hrane YT1AD Team leader, David K3LP Technical Co-leader, Aleksej UA4HOX Organization Co-leader, Paul N6PSE PR, Atilano PY5EG, Vasily RW4NW, David WD5COV, Carlos EA1IR, Joe AA4NN, David AH6HY, Alan AD6E,Gabriele I2VGW and Alan K6SRZ Medical Doctor of our team. Note: They still have room for 2 more operators! Due to travel time between Suva, Fiji, and Conway Reef actual operating dates from Conway will be between 27 September and 4 October (approx.). QSL via YT1AD (Dr Hrane Milosevic, 36206 Vitanovac, Serbia - EU).
For direct QSL please send: QSL + SAE + SASE (1 US$ for normal post, 2US$ for Airmail). QSL via bureau - only send QSL card. Further information, frequencies and log search can be found at: www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

SOURCE: [dx-world.net] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

** Maladives, 8Q **

8Q, MALDIVES (Date Change). Operators Bert/CX3AN and Mario/CX4CR will be
active as 8Q7HU from Maafushi Island, Kaafu Atoll (AS-013), between
Januari 25th - February 5th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the
Digital modes. There will be a special emphasis on South America.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1046

** Malpelo Island, HK0NA **

By the time you read this, the whole HK0NA
team should be on the island and operating immediately for 17 days. The
team left on January 18th for Malpelo island and is not expected to
return until February 10th. For more details and updates, visit:
http://hk0na.com

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1046

** Ogasawara, JD1 **

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1
from Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

** St. Kilda, GM **

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands (EU-059,
Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time, from 16-21 May, 2012.
QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

** Cayman Islands, ZF **

Daryl,W7TAE, is going to visit Grand Cayman (NA-016) from Jan 22-27.
Listen for ZF2TE in SSB/CW on 20m-6m running 100 watts into verticals.
He also plans to join the ARRL VHF Contest (MOSB 6m). QSL via homecall.

SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1763 (Jan 18, 2012)

** 4U1, ITU HQ (Special Activity), qrv HF and 50 MHz **

The International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, will be operating with the special
callsign 4U1WRC between January 23rd and February 17th. Activity will take place
during the ITU World Radio Conference 2012 (WRC-12) from Geneva, Switzerland.

Operations will be from 160-6 meters, eventually higher, all modes.
All QSOs will be confirmed with a special QSL available via 4U1ITU. Short updates
of the operation will be posted on twitter at: http://twitter.com/4u1itu
More detailed information is availabe on the Web site at: http://life.itu.int/radioclub

SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1046

** Democratic Republic of Congo, 9Q6

Barney, ZS4U (ZS6TQ) will be active from the Democratic Republic of Congo
between March 10 to April 5, 2012 as 9Q6/ZS4U.

QRV on 40-6m CW, SSB and PSK.

QSL via home call.

SOURCE: dx-world.net, (Jan. 24, 2012)

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
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an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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67. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 29 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-25 23:24:41 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <bd4daa32-089b-4287-b28b-c43c8762050e@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3634
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-01-29.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - Jan 29 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 29 2012.

50th Anniversary Perth City of Light, John Glenn, TODAY you will hear
audio from John Glenn in space over Perth back in '62.

T-minus 18 and counting .. God Speed John Glenn .. 10, 9 ..

Stay tuned, more later... IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS
INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JANUARY 29 2012.

G'day everyone! And welcome from the members of the CCARC, I'm Rod VK2FVRJ.

Who's 55 years old and showing no sign of retiring?

The CCARC Field Day at Wyong, that's who!

The 26th of February, 2012, marks the 55th year of Australia's largest
gathering of ham radio enthusiasts.

And every year just gets better and better!

>From the flea market, to the major suppliers of Amateur Radio equipment, the
various AR clubs and exhibitors, the Field day is packed with plenty to
interest the Amateur Radio fraternity

And what would the Field day be without our usual lecture program, which promises yet again, to be a highlight of the day's activities.

This year's topics span the years, starting with Vintage Radio Repair, Radar before the Magnetron , right up to the new National Broadband Network. For our final lecture, we are very pleased to have a presentation from Hellenic Amateur Radio Assoc. Of Australia on the 2011 DXpedition to Lord Howe Island which included a member of our own CCARC.

Please check the fieldday.org.au website for more information regarding the lecture program and times.

So grab your calendar, mark the date and we'll see you at CCARC Field Day at Wyong - 26th February, 2012

P.S. Don't forget the raffle!

Christopher Lampe VK2FVKG let us know of an event that whilst not ham radio based is a family fun filled event and it's known as the Hastings American Motorcycle Club

Date : March 2nd-4th 2012 (Fri- Sun)
Hastings Motocross Complex
Burrawan Forest Drive (off Pacific Hwy South of Port Macquarie)

event includes

* Live Bands

* Market Stalls

* Motocross & Unicycle Racing and much more

* Camping Sites Available

* Showers and Toilets

Contact : Charlie 04 04 07 9835

Patch Clubs By Invitation for more information please contact
Cricket - 0447199443 or Stormy - 0439846442

Regards VK2FVKG

Hi again Folks, Neil VK4NF back again with a final reminder that the Ham & Wine fest at Maclagan is on this coming Saturday the 4th February commencing at 9am.

BBQ breakfast & Lunch available, 1940s & 50s radio display, new and preloved gear for sale, Multi draw raffle. Lucky door prize. And don't forget the wine.

And the monster Auction.

Look forward to seeing you there and good morning to all

The Centre Victoria RadioFest at the Kyneton Racecourse, an hour from Melbourne, Ballarat and Bendigo on Sunday the 12th of February.

All the major commercial traders would not miss it and neither should you.

Looking for bargains, components, bits and pieces, connectors, cable, sealed lead acid batteries or antennas? Then come and check out the second-hand market or car-boot sales alley.

Want to make a sales table or car-boot space booking? Then be quick and obtain an application form from the Amateur Radio Victoria website.

Other attractions are digital amateur television, emergency communications, mini-lectures, historical displays and lots, lots more.

Free tea and coffee. The venue is mostly under cover, fully catered for or bring your own picnic.

The Centre Victoria RadioFest at Kyneton on Sunday the 12th of February.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001
Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

Melbourne Maker Faire a success

22 January's VK1WIA reported on a new Maker column in CQ magazine, intended to strengthen ties between radio amateurs and the maker community.

Closer to home, Melbourne's Connected Community Hackerspace held Australia's first Mini Maker Faire on Saturday January 14.

The event, held at Swinburne University, attracted an estimated 400 visitors. Think of it like a Hamfest but with practical stands replacing equipment sales.

Popular exhibits included 3 dimensional printing, electronic music and Arduino open source microcontrollers. There were also learn to solder workshops, Lego poetry and numerous demonstrations. These included a remote controlled blimp, traditional handicrafts and a self-righting electronic Segway scooter (developed by Malcolm Faed VK2TMF).

Key themes of Maker Faire included pulling apart, recycling, repairing and making. Computing, cheap components and easy to program microcontrollers is encouraging creative people to juxtapose art and electronics.

A number of VK3s attended and enjoyed the event. For those who wished they had gone several comprehensive videos of the event can be viewed on YouTube - just search for 'Melbourne Mini Maker Faire'

More info: http://makerfairemelbourne.wordpress.com/ &
http://www.hackmelbourne.org/

The World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) opened in Geneva, Switzerland on Monday, January 23. Attendees will review and revise the Radio Regulations, the international treaty governing the use of radio frequency spectrum and satellite orbits.

One of the items to be considered at WRC-12 is Agenda Item 1.23:
To consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415-526.5 kHz to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services.

More than 3000 participants are expected to attend the four-week conference.

IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH has been using Twitter to keep interested radio amateurs apprised of what is happening at WRC-12.

According to his tweets, the African Telecommunications Union (ATU), the East African Community (EAC), the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT) and the South African Development Community (SADC) also support an MF secondary allocation to the Amateur Service.

To find out what is happening on a regular sometimes hourly basis you can check out the RSGB and ARRL web sites and follow Ellam on Twitter twitter.com/IARU_President

50th Anniversary Perth City of Light, John Glenn, ARISS contact

On the 20th of February 1962 a Mercury-Atlas 6 space craft called "Friendship 7" was launched. In the hot-seat was Astronaut, John Glenn. The objective was to place a man into earth orbit, observe his reactions to the space environment and safely return him to earth to a point where he could be readily found.

During the first orbit of 3, the spacecraft came into radio range of the Muchea Tracking Station where the first Australian Space Radio contact was made by Gerry O'Connor who spoke with John Glenn as he passed overhead.

Muchea contact audio

John Glenn reported that he saw the City of Perth and a very bright light as he overflew Perth and the Kwinana refinery which flared for the occasion.

Perth bright light

The event gave Perth the moniker, the City of Light.

Next month, 50 years after those 3 orbits, the WA State Records Office, the WA Museum, the City of Perth, ARISS, the Hills Amateur Radio Group and of course NASA are going to celebrate with a public event in the Northbridge Piazza in Perth where around 10 lucky primary and secondary school students will make a public ARISS contact together with web-streaming and other activities, such as a radio telescope, optical telescopes, museum exhibitions a presentation by the WA Chief Scientist and some others we're working on.

I have to say, it helps when there is an amateur at the State Records Office, hi Meg, VK6LUX.

>From a technical perspective, we'll be using a tele-bridge because we don't actually have an overhead orbit to the International Space Station, but Dick, AH6NM, the ARISS amateur in Honolulu will be wide awake at midnight to make the contact possible. In Perth, members of the Hills Amateur Radio Group will provide the amateur link between the technology and the students so they can talk to an Astronaut. Behind the scenes there is feverish activity by Tony VK5ZAI, who is the ARISS mentor in Australia - and I recommend you take a moment to have a look at some of the photo's he's published online, you'll see a NASA style console in his shack and a tracking antenna to make you drool.

This once in a life-time experience is going to introduce a whole new generation of kids into space and amateur radio.

If you have or know school
going children, primary or secondary, in Western Australia, get them to fill in the competition form on the WA Museum Web-site, museum.wa.gov.au/city-lights

If you're able to make it to Perth on February 20th, we'd love to see you at the Northbridge Piazza where we'll be setting up for the contact. Festivities start from 5pm.

So, get your kids to fill in the form, at museum.wa.gov.au/city-lights and watch this space!

NA1SS contact with WH6PN (lead in to Italy ARISS contact)

VK4 HOSTS "EARTH FIRE and RAIN".

Prevention, preparedness, response & recovery will be the focus of the Australian & New Zealand National Disaster and Emergency Management Conference to be held in Brisbane from April 16 - April 18 this year.

The conference will include keynote addresses, concurrent sessions and workshops covering human and social issues, economic and environmental challenges, infrastructure, community and communication topics.

It is a joint initiative of the Australian Institute of Emergency Services, the Australian and New Zealand Mental Health Association Inc. and the Association for Sustainability in Business Inc. Each association is a Non-Government, Not for Profit, Member Based organisation.

The "Provisional Conference Program" is now available on the website.

So how did WIA National News come by this story? No not from RAVERN or WICEN but from VU land and the hamradioindia@yahoogroups.com web service.

Tracey Toovey is a member of the Joint Association Committee for EFR and could be a contact point for any ham radio rescue group who would want to attend.

http://anzdmc.com.au

(hamradioindia@yahoogroups.com)

Newcastle amateur finally gets tower approval.

Charles Hunt VK2CLH, after a delay of some 12 months finally has tower back in the air.

George used to live at Stockton but moved to Wallsend, he brought his tower from Stockton and when he applied to re-erect it at Wallsend - the local council - the same for both locations - said NO.

With help from the Hunter Group and others approval was finally achieved.

George who is 86 can now resume his 20 metre skeds with his stateside buddies you might find him on 14.332 at 11 pm local VK2 times

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we have to advise of the passing January 14 of Pierce Healy VK2APQ.

Pierce had celebrated his 100th Birthday last August.

Pierce was a Life Member of both ARNSW and the WIA.

Among many activities he wrote the Amateur Band notes in Radio & Hobbies from in the 1960's until they ended in the 1980's.

DISCUSSION POINT

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2012/20120118-1/index.php

On the link given in the text edition of the news is a reminder of the World Radio Conference being held in Geneva, Switzerland from 23rd January to 17th February this year.

Readers of "Amateur Radio" magazine will have previously seen Michael Owen's VK3KI, WIA President, explanation of how this conference fits into the structure of administration of radio but with particular reference to the amateur service.

Dale Hughes, VK1DSH, will be attending as a member of the Australian contingent and representing the Wireless Institute of Australia.

Some people ask why the Institute spends its resources in attending these meetings.

For the Advanced Licensees they have a decision of a past conference for access to 10MHz, 17MHz and 24MHz collectively referred to as the WARC bands. At that time the meeting was called the World Administrative Radio Conference thus we get the acronym of WARC.

It was one of the first acts of this conference in the 21st century to recommend the removal of the Morse Code requirement which gave "Limited" licensees access to the HF spectrum below 29MHz.

In participating at the highest international levels of administration relevant to our hobby the Institute can take credit for maintaining and improving local licence conditions for all the amateur fraternity.

It may seem very remote to the individual but joining the WIA is a real way of supporting the hobby both in VK and around the world.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Global radio experts float new mobile phone standard

Global radio experts have approved radio standards that are to usher in a new mobile phone operating system to replace third generation or 3G technology.

The newly-adopted 'IMT Advanced Spectrum' would result in faster and better quality mobile services, said the director of the ITU's Radiocommunication bureau at the organisation's Radiocommunication Assembly in Geneva.

Some phone providers have dubbed the new standard "4G".

"The term 4G remains undefined, but it is being applied by operators to the forerunners of IMT-Advanced technologies" and to others evolving from 3G systems, the ITU said in a statement.

The World Meteorological Organization warned however that increased pressure on the use of radio spectrum could hamper its observation work.
"Weather forecasts, disaster warnings and climate monitoring are all critically dependent on radio frequency bands which are used around the clock by meteorological services," the WMO said in a statement.

"Increasing pressure on the use of radio spectrum from wireless technology and other applications could hamper earth observations and efforts to understand and predict climate change."

As previously reported today, ITU officials are expecting 150 countries and 3,300 delegates at the WRC, which runs to February 17.

The demand for wireless technologies will more than double in London during the seven weeks of the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The event includes the assignment up to 20,000 wireless frequencies.

Demand is due to the increasing use of wireless technologies such as wireless cameras and wireless microphones, for close-up action to a global audience of over 4 billion viewers.

The extensive use of walkie-talkies by the organisers, talkback systems for broadcasters, timing and scoring systems and sports commentary systems for the audience, will also be essential for the organisation of the Games.

Spectrum is already being used at full capacity. The extra demand includes borrowing spectrum on a short-term basis from public sector bodies, such as

the Ministry of Defence and parts of the amateur service secondary allocation on 70cm.

Ofcom will be using a large team of radio engineers to track down and deal with any cases of interference.

Read the full Ofcom announcement at http://media.ofcom.org.uk/2012/01/23/ofcom-prepares-for-record-spectrum-demand-at-london-2012-games/

BBC News - London 2012: Olympics to create 'record' wireless spectrum demand http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-16686471

Long awaited modified rules mean that more than 2,000 CL prefix stations in Cuba will be able to use parts of the 80m and 40m for the first time!

Until now the Third Class code-less licence has been confined to segments on the 160m and 2m bands using 10w on CW and Phone.

Their new expanded allocation means CL holders will be heard also on 7100 to 7125 kHz and 3500 to 3750 kHz.

A bid lead by France and the USA to stop leap seconds has failed at the ITU Radio Assembly.

A revision of Standard-frequency and time-signal emissions failed to reach consensus at the International Telecommunication Union Radiocommunication Assembly meeting.

Since 1972 a leap second has been used to synchronise Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) with solar time.

The International Earth Rotation and Reference Systems Service has decided to add a leap second at the end of June 2012.

While a leap second can be added and taken from any month, it has only occurred at the end of December and June. The most recent leap was added on December 31st, 2008.

A leap second is necessary because of the Earth's unpredictable rotation. GMT is based on atomic clocks, but has been kept more or less synchronised with mean solar time by way of leap seconds, in addition to the normal Leap Day on February 29th.

The leap second is recognisable by the Greenwich Time signal having seven pips, an additional pip being inserted before the final beep.

Substantial UK Band Plan changes

The latest edition of RadCom features the 2012 RSGB Band Plans and a background article on the substantial changes that have occurred.

This information is now also available to all amateurs online at www.rsgb.org/operating/bandplans. In particular, please note that there have been major changes in the 40m, 10m, 6m, 4m and 23cm

bands, so please ensure that any older editions are discarded.

RADIO LAW: QRZ.COM JOINS THE FIGHT TO STOP SOPA AND PIPA

The giant QRZ.com ham radio website has joined the fight to stop passage of SOPA, the Stop Online Piracy Act, and PIPA, a similar bill working its way through the U-S Senate. Amateur Radio Newsline's Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, reports on why QRZ.com and its owner Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ is taking this hard-line stand.

Why should ham radio care about these two bills? According to publisher Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, the measures are sponsored by Hollywood entertainment corporations and the recording industry. They threaten to destroy the internet as we know it. And in his front page posting on the QRZ.com, he lists what he terms "the facts about the bills."

According to AA7BQ, websites will be required to police their own content for copyright violations of all kinds. Any website found in violation of the intellectual property of another party must be shut down -- it's internet access blocked by its Internet Service Provider, DNS de-listing, and all banking transactions via online payment providers would be stopped.

Lloyd notes that there is no burden of proof required to shut down a website. Any claim of copyright infringement could result in a court ordered shutdown.

Website owners will be responsible for policing content uploaded by their users. A violation could be ridiculously minor to qualify such as uploading a trademarked image, a photo of a celebrity, a clipping from a newspaper, an audio clip from movie, or the like. Also, uploading a copyrighted song or video would become a felony under the US Code.

And it is not just domestic websites that would be impacted. The law would apply to foreign websites as well, requiring United States based Internet Service Providers to block access to those sites.

Lloyd then notes that this law could also kill his site, QRZ.com, as users know it. He notes that the site currently has some 300,000 photographs on its server, all of which would have to be taken down and manually verified to be in compliance. The same thing would hold true for each biography page where a photograph or other image exists.

Lloyd says that in his case, there's no way he could do it. If burdened with this sort of responsibility, QRZ would simply be found in violation and forcibly shut down by the federal government, all in an to protest both bills many websites went dark on Wednesday, January 18 effort to please what he terms as Hollywood and the music industries.

To protest both bills, many websites went dark on Wednesday, January 18. The Amateur Radio Newsline provides a short video insert in the TWiT network's Ham Nation podcast each Tuesday evening. That network did not go dark, but devoted its live programming to the SOPA and PIPA topics. As we go to air the programs should be rendered and posted for download in both audio and video formats. Go to www.twit.tv and look for "Security Now," "This Week in Google," "Tech News Today," and "Triangulation" for a more detailed and web centric discussion.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline,
I'm Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, in Los Angeles.

AA7BQ ends his posting by asking those who use his website to contact their Congressmen and Senators to voice your opposition to both of these measures, especially SOPA. He says that it's not just QRZ.com that depends on their action. Rather he says, it's the entire internet as they know it today.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Ross Hull Memorial VHF UHF Contest CLOSES TUESDAY January 31
VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans-Tasman Contest 160metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Special callsigns for UK radio amateurs during 2012

The Radio Society of Great Britain and Ofcom have reached agreement on the optional use of special callsigns for two significant events during 2012.

For the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, all UK amateur stations will have the option of applying for a variation to their licence if they wish, to use

a special prefix for a five week period. This will add or substitute the letter "Q" in the place of the Regional identifier in the callsign.

Period: 00.00 BST 5th May 2012 to 23.59 BST 10th June 2012.

For the period of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games, a similar facility will exist for a seven week period, using the letter "O".

Period: 00.00 BST 21st July 2012 to 23.59 BST 9th September 2012

Read the full details at
http://www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id=0263

ITU HQ Special Activity

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More detailed information is available on the Web site at:
http://life.itu.int/radioclub

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

David Rowe VK5DGR gave a presentation on the amateur radio digital voice Codec2 to the linux.conf.au 2012 in Ballarat, Jan 16-20, and was voted best paper of the conference.

Codec2 is that open source low bit rate speech codec designed for communications quality speech at around 2400 bit/s.

Operating at 2000 bit/s it can send 32 phone calls using the bandwidth required for one 64 Kbit/s uncompressed phone call.

Watch Codec 2 - Open Source Speech Coding at 2400 bit/s and Below
David Rowe by googling on YouTube.

Also at that conference a presentation on a High Altitude Balloon project using amateur radio by Terry Baume VK5VZI, Foundation license holder Mark Jessop VK5FDRK, along with embedded hardware and software hacker Joel Stanley was give.

The presentation titled 'Tux in (near) space!' was given to hackers at the linux.conf.au 2012. The Project Horus group have flown several amateur radio repeaters as well as APRS and video payloads.

PSK2K - a new meteor scatter mode by DJ5HG

PSK2K is a meteor scatter mode that enables multiple contacts to take place on a single frequency.

PSK2k is high speed meteor scatter software written by Klaus DJ5HG (Prof. of Computer Science at University Hamburg). It allows 2 way MS QSO's to be conducted with any suitable transceiver/PC/soundcard combination.

Download PSK2K from
http://www.dk5ew.de/2012/01/13/psk2k-a-new-meteorscatter-mode-by-dj5hg/

PSK2K Yahoo Group
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/psk2k/

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Winners in the ARISSat-1/KEDR Chicken Little Contest

The Chicken Little Contest received 77 entries from 17 different countries, and all continents except Antarctica.

Based on comments sent along with the submissions, a wide variety of techniques were used. These ranged from detailed calculations, to comparisons with past satellites, to guesses based on birthdays.

The winners came from USA, UK and Switzerland.

All three winners have received an appropriate Chicken Little Certificate, and the congratulations of the ARISSat-1/KEDR Team who thank all who entered.

Winners of the ARISSat-1/KEDR Grab the Last Telemetry Contest.

Thanks to the dedication of stations around the world, a nearly steady stream of digital telemetry reports were received in the final days from ARISSat-1/KEDR:

31 Dec -- 1125
01 Jan -- 1537
02 Jan -- 1541
03 Jan -- 1048
04 Jan -- 107

The final digital data received was copied by both JA8TCH, and JA0CAW. It was received at 06:02:14, 4 January, 2012, less than an hour before the estimated point of loss in the South Atlantic.

Their data, combined with the submissions of many others, constitutes the most comprehensive coverage of the re-entry of any amateur satellite.

JA8TCH and JA0CAW will receive a certificate for their achievement.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

World Radio Conference Geneva until 17th February

FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

Next meeting of the NWT-ATV Group will be 4th February at the QTH of
Tony VK7AX.

This will be the AGM followed by a General Meeting.

If members are interested in a position on the executive committee, then
please contact the Club for a Nomination form.

If you are not a member of the Club, and would like to join, then please
advise the Club to accommodate your request.

Contact information can be found on the WIA Website under Clubs.

Oh and a 12Volt / 12Amp Regulated Power supply has been donated as the
raffle prize.

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on
wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

68. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 26 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-26 11:14:05 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044787657c4d7d04b76c79cb@google.com>
Source record: 3635
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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SumbandilaSat beyond repair

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/umSdgm1KUlQ/sumbandilasat_beyond_repair.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

South Africa’s second satellite, SumbandilaSat (SO-67), is no longer fulfilling its main purpose due to technical problems

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WRC-12 Day 2 - Amateur 5 MHz Allocation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BViKsNBRzQM/wrc_12_day_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Cuba has proposed an Agenda Item for the next WRC: an amateur radio allocation at 5 MHz

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Record set at Winter Hill

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mXHSeUwoQa4/record_set_at_winter_hill.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rex Moncur VK7MO achieved an Australian amateur radio microwave record last week of 843 kilometres - by using aircraft reflections

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RS-39 reception video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ij7Puf-iCmE/rs39_reception_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Nittin VU3TYG has made available a video showing reception of the new RS-39 (Chibis-M) satellite

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Video of Project OSCAR talk

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/or00vFLPG38/video_of_project_oscar_talk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Lance Ginner, K6GSJ, describes the early days of Project OSCAR, which put Amateur Radio into orbit and lead to the foundation of AMSAT

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Qg1bVwLqmic/january_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A very poor week with Tuesday to Thursday as low as it’s been for quite some time. Saturday and Sunday really bounced back with loads of contacts each day

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'Hack the Tubes' project

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZOqpPYfzGwY/hack_the_tubes_project.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Erin King AK4JG has released a video of her amateur radio High Altitude Balloon mission for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology 'Hack the Tubes' project for the class of 2016's early admissions

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Japan govt plants fake TV dramas to fight web piracy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/E3EIYWp-M54/japan_govt_plants_fake_tv_dramas_to_fight_web_piracy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Japanese government is running a rather original project against piracy on the Internet

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EI80IRTS Certificate

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KlF013sGrEU/ei80irts_certificate.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society was founded 1932 and we are proud to celebrate our 80th anniversary in 2012. A special certificate, available to all amateurs and SWLs, is being offered to celebrate this occasion

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Macquarie Island Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2RhSZ04jyq4/macquarie_island_special_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for Trevor, VK0TH to be active as AX0TH on January 26th, to celebrate 'Australia Day'

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WRC12 reports from the RSGB

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tWLXQ5ywN_w/wrc12_reports_from_the_rsgb.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Colin Thomas, G3PSM will be giving an amateur radio perspective on the proceedings of the conference

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New Board Activity web feature on RSGB website

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5On0T6QDZVA/rsgb_board_activity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Read about some of the activities and decisions of the RSGB Board in this running log

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FYBO (Freeze Your Butt Off) QRP Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tlfuYy1oF8Q/fybo_qrp_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Take a look at this one-minute trailer, made by Rem K6BBQ, promoting the February 4th FYBO (Freeze Your Butt Off) Contest

69. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1798 - January 27 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-27 10:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120127100003.ACC2033C7E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3636
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1798 - January 27 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1798 with a release date of January 27th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC nixes a waiver request from Anchorage VEC that would have lead to instant re-licensing of hams with expired licenses but the proposal is far from dead. Also ham radio to be discussed at WRC 2012; International cooperation removes a noise generator from 40 meters and the city of Los Angeles celebrate the life of a ham who started broadcast emergency alerting, Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1798 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FCC SAYS NO TO LICENSE ELEMENT WAIVER REQUEST

The FCC has turned away a request from Alaska's Anchorage Volunteer Examination Coordinator for a temporary blanket waiver of Section 97.505(a) of the Commission's Rules. This, to allow the VEC to give individuals whose amateur radio operator licenses have expired examination credit for test elements previously passed so that all former licensees could be re-licensed without retesting. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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The Anchorage VEC had filed for the waiver pending the outcome of a related rulemaking petition in FCC Docket WT 11-130. That request seeks the same end but on a permanent nationwide basis.

But in its denial order the FCC noted that individuals who do not hold a current or renewable amateur radio operator license, regardless of whether they have held one in the past, must demonstrate their qualifications to be amateur radio operators before obtaining a new license. As such, the approval of the requested waiver to allow examination credit to be granted for any previously held amateur service operator license would not serve the underlying purpose of the regulatory agency's licensing rules.

The FCC also stated that amateur radio testing opportunities are widely available. It said that Volunteer Examiner teams can administer tests at any location and time convenient to them and the examinee. As such

Anchorage VEC has not shown that requiring retesting of examinees whose operator licenses expired more than two years ago, including those of advanced years, is inequitable or unduly burdensome, or that these examinees have no reasonable alternative.

But this matter is far from closed. In its conclusion the FCC also noted that the dismissal of the Anchorage VEC's waiver request is a separate matter from the groups pending Rule Making request in FCC Docket WT 11-130. As such this action is without prejudice to Anchorage VEC's pending rule-making petition.

The Report and Order denying the Anchorage VEC's waiver request was issued on Tuesday, January 24th. As we go to air it's not known if the Anchorage VEC will appeal this decision or simply wait for the outcome on its underlying Rule Making request.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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The bottom line: At least for now if a ham lets his or her license expire and fails to renew it during the two year grace period, he or she will be back to ground zero and will have to go through the testing procedure before being granted a call sign to get back on the air.

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RADIO REGULATION: AMATEUR RADIO AT WRC-2012

Amateur radio is mentioned in the preface of the International Telecommunication Union's agenda document for the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 now taking place in taking place in Geneva, Switzerland. Of interest to the Amateur and Amateur satellite Services is item 1.15. This, to consider possible allocations in the range 3 to 50 MHz to the radio location service for oceanographic radar applications, taking into account the results of ITU-R studies and in accordance with Resolution 612 from WRC-07.

Also, there is item 1.19 to consider regulatory measures and their relevance, in order to enable the introduction of software-defined radio and cognitive radio systems. This one is based on the results of ITU-R studies, and in accordance with Resolution 956 of WRC-07.

Lastly, there are items 1.22 to examine the effect of emissions from short-range devices on radio communication services and item 1.23 which will consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band from 415 to 526.5 kHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis. This, taking into account the need to protect existing services.

WRC 2012 runs through February the 17th. We will all know more once the final reports on all these measures are in and made public. (ITU)

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INTRUDER WATCH: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TAKES WHITE NOISE OFF 40 METERS

Interference from All India Radio to the 40 meter band has been eliminated. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, has the details:

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Wolfgang Hadel, DK2OM, in Siegbach, Germany, reports via the I-A-R-U Region 1 website that back last December 1st he and Peter Jost HB9CET of Zurich, Switzerland, noticed a band of white noise like interference on 40 meters. This from 6 dot 960 to 7 dot 040MHz and also on 7 dot 820 MHz and showing up every evening.

Calculation by DK2OM showed the center of the spurious emissions was expected to be on the center 7 dot 410 MHz. From this point the German and Swiss Departments of Post and Telecommunications became involved.

Both offices filed official complaints to their counterpart in India. VU2GMN assisted by filing a personal complaint. On January 13th the transmitter located near the city of New Delhi was reported as having been repaired, and all traces of this source of interference to 40 meters was gone.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I;m Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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More on this story is on-line at www.iaru-1.org. (IARU Region 1)

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RESCUE RADIO: ALABAMA AGAIN HIT BY TORNADOS

Ham radio was again called out as another group of tornadoes touch down in Alabama. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, is at our South-East Bureau in Birmingham with more:

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The January 22nd storms that pounded residents in Arkansas and Alabama were particularly difficult to deal with because they hit at night and couldn't be seen. Some tornadoes were wrapped in rain. Damage was reported in five Arkansas counties. One woman was trapped in her home for a time. At least six tornadoes hit areas south and east of Little Rock across the state's Delta region. A 150 year old church was hit and a transmission tower was destroyed. Members of Arkansas Skywarn activated at the request of National Weather Service forecasters in Little Rock. In all, about 60 radio amateurs helped with providing emergency communications across the state.

Hams remained busy as the storms swept east, hitting Alabama during the predawn hours January 23rd. A single supercell thunderstorm produces four tornadoes across central Alabama. Two of the twisters strike

neighborhoods north and west of downtown Birmingham. A 16-year-old girl dies when her home is hit by an 800-yard wide tornado packing winds of 150 miles an hour. An 81-year-old man dies when a tornado hits his mobile home shortly after 3am. In all, forecasters say Alabama was hit by at least eight tornadoes, some of them leaving long tracks of destruction while tearing up hundreds of homes and businesses, and injuring 150 people. The tornadoes hit very close to areas pounded during a series of storms that killed 239 people in the state April 27th, 2011.

Members of the Alabama Emergency Response Team, ALERT, provided severe weather reports to Weather Service forecasters who used the information to issue warnings to the public. Hams with amateur radio clubs in Birmingham and nearby Sylvan Springs were on the air throughout much of the night, as well, assisting emergency management officials. And members of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service were active, as well. They provided communications as officials set up shelters for people who lost their homes in the storms.

The winter months typically see what's called a secondary severe weather season across the Southeast. With that in mind, radio amateurs throughout the region are being thanked for their services...and reminded that their help will likely be needed again.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm David Black, KB4KCH, at the South-East Bureau in Birmingham, Alabama.

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More on this story in future Amateur radio Newsline reports. (KB4KCH, ALERT, ARRL, others)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Hamelton Countyty ARES net serving Hamelton County, Indiana.

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RADIO LAW FOLLOW-UP: SEVERAL AMATEUR RADIO WEBSTES SUPPORTED THE SOPA - PIPA BLACKOUT PROTEST

A follow up to last weeks story about the involvement of ham radio in halting the progress of two measures working their way through the U-S Congress. Laws that many say would have destroyed the Internet as we know it today.

While the giant QRZ dot com website took what could best be described as the amateur radio point position in helping to halt the twin bills

in their tacks, it turns out that it was not alone. The Southgate News reports that at least two other ham radio websites took part in the protest. Both the amateur radio HF Link Forum and the APRS site aprs.fi were closed in the United States on Wednesday, January 18th.

The aprs.fi blog noted in advance that it would join Wikipedia and Reddit, and protest the proposed United States Stop Online Piracy or SOPA and the Protect Intellectual Property Act or PIPA legislation by closing down. The blog went on to note that if some APRS user were to post links to copyright infringing material, even when that material would reside somewhere other than aprs.fi itself, that aprs.fi could be shut down in the U.S. and there would not be much that the website owners could do about it.

As we go to air, both SOPA and PIPA have been withdrawn by their respective sponsors in Congress for retooling. That's a fancy way of saying that enough votes had defected to make passage at this time impossible. At the same time it's a way of keeping both pieces of legislation alive for re-introduction to the United States Federal law making process at some later date. And it's a sure bet that content providers such as the motion picture and music industries which basically wrote these two pieces of legislation will try again. (Southgate, ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FORMER AUSTRALIAN HAM ADMITS TO INTERFERING WITH OTHERS

A former ham in VK-land has admitted to being a source of interference on the ham radio bands. This after the 63-year-old man from one of Melbourne's western suburbs pleaded guilty on January 11th to several offences under the Australian Radio Communications Act. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP has more in this report:

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In testimony, the Australian court hearing the case was told that, until August 2009, the defendant had been a licensed amateur radio operator but was investigated by the Australian Communications and Media Authority following complaints about interference. As a result of the inquiry, the regulatory authority cancelled the defendant's amateur licensee.

But it did not end there. The Australian Communications and Media Authority alleged that he continued to use his amateur radio gear his home to jam the communications other licensed amateur licensees. The execution of the search warrant by the authorities in September of 2011 confirmed that the defendant had a large quantity of radio communications gear. Tests confirmed that the equipment was set to the radio frequencies that had been interfered with.

In its sentencing, the court placed the defendant on a 12-month good behavior bond, ordered him to get rid of all of the seized equipment

within four months and prove to the Australian Communications and Media Authority in writing that he had disposed of the gear.

The unidentified ham is considered lucky. Under Australian telecommunications law the court hearing the case had the option to sentence him to up to 24 months in prison for these offenses.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm_Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reporting from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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As is policy down-under, the defendants name was not made public by the Australian court. (WIA News)

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ENFORCEMENT: FLORIDA LPFM FINE LOWERED TO $1500

Back in the United States, a low power FM station that interfered with FAA frequencies in Florida will only have to pay a $1,500 fine for operating without an FCC certified transmitter. This after it successfully convinced the commission to slash the penalty from the original $12,000.

Power Ministries is the licensee of low power station WRLE in Dunnellon, Florida. As reported here on Newsline, last September the Enforcement Bureau issued a notice of apparent liability, saying the station had operated with a non-certified transmitter for about three months in 2010. This action came after an investigation prompted by a complaint of interference it received from the Federal Aviation Administration's Jacksonville Center to Air Traffic Control on133.75 MHz.

The proposed fine was $12,000 but the station appealed in a letter from Power Ministries owner Anthony Downes. The FCC now has rejected his arguments that the fine should be waived on the grounds that he had acted promptly and had not been aware of interference. But the commission has accepted the station's documentation of inability to pay, and it cut the penalty to the $1500 level. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: LIGHTSQUARED ASKS FCC TO CONFIRM ITS RIGHT TO SPECTRUM

The seemingly never ending story continues. This with word that LightSquared, the company that wants to build a nationwide broadband data distribution system has asked the FCC to confirm its right to use the spectrum licensed to it by the federal government. It's also asking the regulatory agency to confirm that commercial G-P-S manufacturers have no right to interference protection from LightSquared's network since they are not licensed users of that spectrum. Amateur Radio Newsline's Burt Hicks has the latest in this report:

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According to news reports, LightSquared claims that commercial GPS manufacturers are responsible for having designed and sold unlicensed devices that use adjacent spectrum licensed to LightSquared and its predecessor companies. In a petition recently filed with the FCC LightSquared claimed that commercial GPS receivers are not licensed, do not operate under any service rules, and thus are not entitled to any interference protection whatsoever. The petition also noted that the FCC itself has stated that the GPS industry has been on notice for almost a decade that LightSquared was planning to use its spectrum to launch a nationwide broadband network.

LightSquared's petition claims that it has had FCC authorization to build its network for over eight years, and that authorization was endorsed by the GPS industry, and fully reviewed and allowed to proceed by several other government agencies. A company spokesman added that commercial GPS device-makers have had nearly a decade to design and sell devices that do not infringe on LightSquared's licensed spectrum. They have no right to complain in the eleventh-hour about incompatibility when they had ample opportunity to avoid this problem.

As previously reported, LightSquared plans to deploy an open 4G network to be used by existing and new service providers to sell their own devices, applications and broadband connectivity. The company claims that the deployment and operation of the network represent more than $14 billion of private investment over the next eight years.

In its closing remarks the company did moderate its position a tiny bit. It said that while it asks the FCC to confirm its legal rights, LightSquared remains fully committed to cooperate with all parties including the GPS industry, GPS users and the federal government to ensure that its network is deployed in a way that is compatible with GPS users.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Burt Hicks in Los Angeles.

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LightSquared says that it has always recognized the critical importance of the GPS system. As such it firmly believes that a way can be found for GPS devices to peacefully co-exist adjacent to its network. That said, the GPS industry and Congress are not so sure. (Published News Reports)

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RADIO BUSINESS: TAPR AND IQUADLABS ANNOUNCE AGREEMENT ON SDR BOARDS

Tucson Amateur Packet Radio and iQuadlabs have jointly announced a sourcing agreement for the open source Software Defined Radio or HPSDR boards. These are the ones best known by their nick-names of Magister, Mercury and Pennylane.

Under the new agreement, Tucson Amateur Packet Radio will acquire inventory of iQuadLabs creating a one-stop source for all open HPSDR boards. On the other side, iQuadLabs will gain the inventory from Tucson Amateur Packet Radio to build pre-configured and tested complete open HPSDR systems.

The end result will be that Tucson Amateur Packet Radio will have all open HPSDR boards in stock, in one place, for those wishing to buy boards, kits and components. And, for the first time in the history of open HPSDR, those who wish to by a completely assembled and tested radio will have a source at iQuadLabs. Zephyr Engineering, Inc will continue to manufacture the assembled boards. (TAPR)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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STRANGE TECHNOLOGY UNKNOWN ANIMAL TAKES KENTUCKY TV STATION OFF THE AIR

A TV station went dark for a short time due to damage from one of the creatures of the wild. Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, has the details:

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An unidentified animal has been blamed for taking a Kentucky television station off the air. Lexington CBS affiliate WKYT announced on its Facebook page Wednesday, January 11th that it was in the midst of broadcasting a University of Kentucky basketball game when a power outage shut it down.

It turns out that the power interruption was caused by an animal gnawing through a power line on the station's property. Mike Kanarek, WKYT's vice president of operations, told the Lexington Herald-Leader newspaper that the station switched to a back-up generator almost immediately after the animal cut off electricity but it took a few minutes for the transmitter to resume broadcasting.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU.

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WKYT didn't specify what type of animal caused the disturbance or if it survived the ordeal. (RW)

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AWARD NEWS: LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD TO SUPPORT CQ OPERATING AWARDS

CQ Communications and ARRL have signed an agreement to begin providing support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World electronic confirmation system. CQ's awards will be the first non-ARRL awards supported by Logbook of the World and will be phased in, beginning with the CQ WPX award. Additional CQ awards will follow.

The target date for beginning Logbook of the World support for WPX is April 1st. Amateurs will be able to use Logbook of the World logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard Logbook of the World credit fees and CQ award fees will apply.

The ARRL's Logbook of the World system is an interactive database recording contacts between radio amateurs was created in 2003 and has been adopted by 47,500 radio amateurs worldwide. It already has records of 400 million contacts and grows weekly.

The agreement was announced jointly on Tuesday, January 24th by ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, and CQ Communications President Richard Ross, K2MGA. (CQ)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: K5B TO COMMEMORATE THE BATAAN DEATH MARCH

The Mesilla Valley Radio Club of Las Cruces, New Mexico will be operating special events station K5B on March 25th. This, in conjunction with the 23rd annual Bataan Memorial Death March Marathon to be held at the near-by White Sands Missile Range.

K5B will operate from 1000 to 2300 UTC on or near 21.337, 14.330, 7.225, and 3.893 megahertz. A commemorative card will be available by request. If you make contact please QSL with a self addressed stamped business sized envelope to Special Events Station K5B, in care of the Mesilla Valley Radio Club, P. O. Box 1443 Las Cruces, NM 88004-1443. All QSL requests must be received by Friday, April 20th. More information is on-line at www.n5bl.org/bataan. (Mesilla Valley ARC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SEVHFS SOLICITING PAPERS FOR APRIL CONFERENCE

Papers and other presentations are solicited The 15th Annual Southeastern VHF Society Conference to be held in Charlotte, North Carolina on April 20th and 21st. Submissions are welcomed on both the technical and operational aspects of VHF, UHF and Microwave weak signal amateur radio. The deadline for the submission is February 17th. Send all questions and comments to Robin Midgett via e-mail to K4IDC at comcast dot net. More is on-line at www.svhfs.org. (SEVHFS)

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HAMVENTION 2012: DAYTON DX DINNER INFORMATION ANNOUNCED

The Southwest Ohio DX Association has announced that it will again sponsor the DX Dinner to be held in conjunction with the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. The date is Friday, May 18th at the Dayton Marriott Hotel in downtown Dayton, Ohio. There will be a cash bar starting at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 7:00 o'clock Eastern time. Reservation information can be found on line at www.,swodxa.org. (SWODXA)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ORLANDO HAMCATION FEBRUARY 10 To 12

The 66th annual Orlando HamCation Amateur Radio and Computer Show will take place on February 10th through the 12th at the Central Florida Fairgrounds, in Orlando, Florida. Presented by the Orlando Amateur Radio Club, HamCation 2012 will feature over 150 commercial vendors offering a wide variety of radio gear, antennas, accessories, test equipment, tools, software and books. There will also be over 400 swap vendors and a large outdoor tailgating area. More information on this fun winter get-away event in the Florida sun is on-line at www dot hamcation.com. (Orlando HamCation)

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HAMVENTION 2012: N6TR TO BE FEATURED SPEAKER AT DAYTON CONTEST DINNER

2003 Radio Amateur of the Year Larry "Tree" Tyree, N6TR, will be the featured speaker at the 20th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner to be held on Saturday, May 19, 2012 in Dayton, Ohio.

According to the North Coast Contesters who sponsor the dinner, N6TR has an extensive and distinguished contesting resume that goes beyond his many top ten finishes in domestic CW contests. He was one of the founders of the popular Stew Perry Top Band Distance Challenge and the creator of the twice-a-year Kids Day operating events. Tyree is also the author of the popular TRLOG contest logging software and is responsible for log checking packages that are used to adjudicate many of the major radio contests.

Outside of contests, Tyree spends most of his time chasing new countries on 160 meters. More about this event is on-line at contestdinner.com. (K3LR)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VA2SH/VA6SH ELECTED NEW RAC DIRECTOR FOR QUEBEC

And congratulations to Sheldon Werner, VA2SH / VA6SH on his election as the Radio Amateurs of Canada Director for the Provence of Quebec. Werner has been an amateur radio operator since 1976. He has been involved in many aspects of the hobby including serving as the Vice President for the Montreal Amateur Radio Club.

Werner ran unopposed, eliminating the need for a balloted election. His role as Quebec Director is for the remainder of a two year term which ends December 31, 2013. (VO1PRB)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: LEAP SECONDS GET A REPRIEVE

The Leap Second is getting a temporary reprieve. This after delegates at an international telecommunications meeting in Geneva failed to reach a consensus on whether or not to delete these sporadic additions from the global time standard system.

As reported last week, attendees to the conference were supposed to decide whether to recommend the elimination of leap seconds. Since no decision was made, the issue has been referred back to a panel of experts for further study. A revised proposal will be introduced no earlier than 2015.

Leap Seconds are time increments which are occasionally added to the world's atomic clocks to keep them synchronized with Earth's rotational cycles. The last leap second was added in 2008. The next one is this year at the end of June.

Also one correction to last weeks report. As pointed out to us in an e-mail from John Rabold KS6M, the Earth doesn't rotate around the sun. Rather it revolves around the sun.

Thank you John for catching that one. It was our bad. (Space & Science)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NASA AND W5KWQ WORKING ON RELEASE OF FIRST MOVIE SHOT IN SPACE

The first science fiction film shot in space could be coming to viewers here on Earth. This after NASA confirms it's almost ready to give approval for the project.

Titled Apogee of Fear, the film was shot by space tourist Richard Garriott, W5KWQ, during his 2008 trip to the International Space Station. Garriott shot the basic footage for the film, using astronauts as his cast. He then added scenes and visual effects after his return to Earth.

The film was privately shown at Dragon*Con last year, but has been in legal limbo since then. This is because it wasn't included in Garriott's deal with NASA. Now the space agency confirms that it is

working with W5KWQ to facilitate the video's release. The complete story is on-line at tinyurl.com/movie-in-space. (The UK Register, Wired, others)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: THE IPAD PASSPORT

A Canadian man traveling by car to Vermont claimes that his iPad helped save the day. This after he realized he left his passport, which is required to cross into the United States, at his home in Quebec.

According to news reports, Martin Reisch said that on December 30th he arrived at Canada's Stanstead crossing and proceeded to the U.S. border post. He then showed the U.S. officer his Canadian driver's license, his Medicaid card and a digital scan of his passport he had on his iPad. At that point says Reisch he was permitted to enter the United States.

But the U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency says that it did not happen that way calling Reisch's story false. In a statement the agency said that in this case, the individual had both a driver's license and birth certificate, which the CBP officer used to determine identity and citizenship in order to admit the traveler into the country.

But Reisch isn't backing down from his story. He told the press that he does not even know where his paper birth certificate is. He added that his experience does however make him think about how technology can be used for identification purposes when traveling at some point in the future. (Various published news sources)

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WORLDBEAT: RADIO AMATEURS OF CANADA SEEKS TREASURER

Radio Amateurs of Canada is looking for a Treasurer who is a Chartered Accountant, Certified General Accountant or Certified Management Accountant. Experience with QuickBooks would be an asset. Interested parties should contact Paul Burggraaf by e-mail to vo1prb(at) rac (dot) ca. (RAC)

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WORLDBEAT: UK SCHOOL TO HOLD D-STAR EVENT

A school in the village of Gresham in the United Kingdom will be holding an amateur radio special event station using the D-STAR digital network for children age 6 to 11 on May 23rd. The callsign will be GB2GVS which stands for Gresham Village School.

Andy Johnston, 2E0AIV is the event coordinator. He says that they have already arranged link-ups with schools in Northern Ireland, the USA and England, but are looking for more countries and schools to

participate. If anyone is interested, they can contact Andy via e-mail at 2e0avi (at) 2e0aiv (dot) co (dot) uk. (Southgate)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING DENMARK'S PRESIDENCY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Ham radio is helping Denmark celebrate its turn as President of the European Union. Denmark holds this from January 1st to June 30th. Ro celebrate, the callsign 5P12EU will be activated during this same time period. QSL cards will be available and there is an award scheme for working or just hearing this callsign. For all details on QSLing, the award format and logs, check out www.5p12eu.dk (DX OnLine)

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DX

In DX, members of the Buddies in the Caribbean will mount a mini-DXpedition to Grenada between February 1st through the 9th. The team specializes in 100 watts or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems They will have fixed operations from a cliff-top villa and portable operations from various points on the island. Modes used will be CW, SSB, and the Digital on 160 through 10 meters. Licensing is not yet complete, but each operator is expected to receive their J3/callsign. QSL via Logbook of the World, eQSL, or regular mail to operator's home callsign and include a self addressed stamped envelope if you go the postal route.

JA1XGI will be active from Hawaii as W8XGI/KH6 between January 31st and February 4th just prior to his upcoming trip to Tonga. Operations will probably be on 20 through 6 meters with an emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 meters. He is expected to operate mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSO's will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

DL7AFS and DJ7ZG will be operational as V21FS and V21ZG, respectively, from the Villa Sundowerns on the island of Antigua beginning March 5th for an unknown stay. Focus of this operation on 160 through meters as propagation conditions allow. Modes noted are RTTY, PSK and SSB. QSL via the DARC German QSL bureau or direct to DL7AFS.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: LOS ANGELES CELEBRATES THE 57TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGALERT DEVELOPED BY THE LATE LLOYD SIGMON, W6LQ

Los Angeles transportation leaders gathered at Caltrans headquarters Monday January 23rd to commemorate the 57th anniversary of what may be Los Angeles' most iconic gift to the rest of the world: the SigAlert. And it was developed by a ham radio operator. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, tells about this legacy gifted to the people of

Southern California by a broadcasting pioneer:

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It's hard to fathom that it was 57 years ago this week that the late Lloyd Sigmon, W6LQ, developed the SigAlert. At the time Lloyd was a vice president and engineer at Gene Autry's Golden West Broadcasting AM radio station KMPC.

In the pre Internet world of the 1950's KMPC had revolutionized Southern California driving by launching a fleet of fixed wing aircraft and helicopters to report live on traffic conditions during rush hours. But what became known as the "KMPC Air Force" could not fly around the clock.

In off hours Lloyd Sigmon had wanted Los Angeles Police Department officers to simply phone KMPC's news department when freeways or streets were clogged but the department rejected that idea. So W6LQ used his ham radio know how to develop a hardware-based work around that has been a region wide standard for more than half a century.

Today the California Highway Patrol and other police authorities still use the term SigAlert to advise motorists to an unplanned lane closure lasting more than 30 minutes. And over the years SigAlerts have not only aided in traffic reporting but have also been used in disaster alerting.

The first such emergency notification SigAlert took place in 1955 when it urged medical personnel to respond to a train derailment. It reportedly caused a traffic jam when many doctors and nurses showed up to assist at the scene.

W6LQ's SigAlert is also credited with saving the lives of hundreds when the Baldwin Hills Dam collapsed on December 14, 1963. And even today Lloyd Sigmon's basic alerting concept is in use nationwide in the form of the high-tech Emergency Alert System or E-A-S.

During his time in Southern California, Lloyd Sigmon, W6LQ, was very active and well known in the Los Angeles ham radio community. He was also a frequent guest on late-night talk shows, especially that of Ray Briem, N6FFT. There he could be heard discussing both his love of ham radio and, once in a while, a bit of the technology on the development of the SigAlert.

In later year after his retirement from KMPC Lloyd Sigmon moved back to his native Oklahoma. There, W6LQ, became a Silent Key in 2005 at age 90.

I was fortunate to have known Lloyd and to have appeared with him several times on the Ray Briem Show. I can tell you first hand that Lloyd Sigmon, W6LQ, was one truly nice guy.

For the Amateur Radio Newsine, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom here in the City of Angels.

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You can learn more about both Lloyd Sigmon, W6LQ, and the SigAlert at tinyurl.com/3myftzl. (Various published news reports and ARNewsline(tm) Archive)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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70. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 27 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-27 11:14:34 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044787652e323f04b780998c@google.com>
Source record: 3637
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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NASA's amazing high definition image of Earth

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KKnkf-pwRqk/high_definition_image_of_earth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA have released a 'Blue Marble' image of the Earth taken from the VIIRS instrument aboard their most recently launched Earth-observing satellite - Suomi NPP

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Announcing the 160m Band Utilization Chart

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/N3DfVhmzyIw/160m_band_utilization_chart.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The '160m Band Utilization Chart' is exactly that. It is not a 'bandplan', nor even an 'unofficial bandplan'. Rather, it is an attempt to graphically portray the modes that are actually in use on 160m today

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2E0HTS working the OSCAR-7 satellite

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/X1UlIXlcXxk/2e0hts_working_the_oscar7_satellite.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new video from Simon 2E0HTS shows him working F6HRO and DG1EA via the 37 year old amateur radio satellite OSCAR-7

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Youngsters to get studio chance

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m8QBnYy1xRE/youngsters_to_get_studio_chance.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Keighley News reporting on a radio studio training opportunity for youngsters mentions they could also become radio hams

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Melbourne Maker Faire a success

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Melbourne's Connected Community Hackerspace held Australia's first Mini Maker Faire on Saturday, January 14

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Titanic - Museum remembers radio amateur

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mTZ5JcDCFGo/titanic_museum_remembers_radio_amateur.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Artie Moore MNX was in his South Wales bedroom when he learned the Titanic was sinking – two days before the news appeared in the UK press

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Radio Hams keep eye out for thieves

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/II0oaLth0Hc/radio_hams_keep_eye_out_for_thieves.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cassville Democrat newspaper reports that ham radio operators are helping keep an eye out for the thieves

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Sweden loses 13cm amateur radio band

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It would appear that Swedish Amateur Radio operators are about to loose 13cm as a Ham Radio band but, get an extension on 160 metres

71. SARL News in English 28/1/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-28 17:50:53 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <BBC3038AA0EB40DEB0C4E19CA5520EF4@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3638
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 29 JANUARY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

In the news today:

INTECNET IS BACK

SARL APPOINTS A NEW HONORARY LEGAL ADVISER

7 135 kHz THE FREQUENCY TO TALK ABOUT VHF

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

INTECNET IS BACK

The first INTECNET of 2012 will be held on Sunday 5 February at 19:30. History will be made when this will be the first INTECNET that will be joined by members of the Namibian Amateur Radio League. The NARL repeater in Windhoek will be linked giving Namibian amateurs the opportunity to participate in the discussions.

The subject will be "Greater DXing with propagation forecasting". Two speakers will be looking at the science of forecasting and practical applications. A scientist from SANSA's Space Sciences at Hermanus will discuss how forecasts are made and Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, will look at the practical aspects of using propagation forecast and how to put them to best use. Diarize the date. If you would like your repeater linked, send a request to artoday@sarl.org.za by Monday 30 January.

SARL APPOINTS A NEW HONORARY LEGAL ADVISER

The Council of the SARL has appointed Johann Marais as legal adviser. He is the owner of a legal practice in Stellenbosch. Johann is vice

chairman of the 4WDCSA Western Cape and a member of Hamnet. He spends most of his amateur radio time on research and rescue operations and is an active member of the Off-Road Rescue Unit and chairman of the Wilderness Search and Rescue Trust.

7 135 kHz THE FREQUENCY TO TALK ABOUT VHF

If VHF is your passion, leave a receiver tuned to 7 135 kHz. This is the frequency that a group of radio amateurs have decided on for skeds, VHF band opening alerts and discussion on VHF operation. The idea is being promoted by John, ZS6JON, and Mike, ZS6TAF.

"One does realize that the Internet is the easiest way but all amateurs don't have Internet 24/7. Some don't have Internet in the shack", says John, ZS6JON. "We all seem to read the contact reports on email or on the forum once they have already taken place. It's too late to get the full use of the opening. As most amateurs have an extra radio or receiver that could be left on and as 40 m is a common and very active band in South Africa it will be the ideal band to announce VHF band openings around the country and overseas contacts. After listening around the band 7 135 kHz appears to be a good choice", John said.

WORLD RADIO COMMUNICATION CONFERENCE 2012 AND WILL CONSIDER SECONDARY MF AMATEUR ALLOCATION

The World Radio Communication Conference opened in Geneva, Switzerland on Monday, January 23. Attendees will review and revise the Radio Regulations, the international treaty governing the use of radio frequency spectrum and satellite orbits. One of the items to be considered at WRC-12 is Agenda Item 1.23: To consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415-526,5 kHz to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services.

More than 3 000 participants - representing more than 150 out of the International Telecommunication Union's 193 Member States - are expected to attend the four-week conference. About 100 observers from among the ITU's 700 private sector members - along with international organizations, including the International Amateur Radio Union - are also in attendance. A number of WRC-12 delegates are radio amateurs.

On the first day of WRC-12, various interests have introduced several ways to implement the proposed MF secondary allocation, while some are not interested in making any changes that would grant it. The European countries, represented by CEPT, offered an 8 kHz wide band between 472 and 480 kHz. CITEL, which represents the Americas, has proposed the secondary allocation be at 461-469 and 471-478 kHz. Colin Thomas, G3PSM, introduced the CEPT proposal, while ARRL Technical Relations Specialist Jon Siverling, WB3ERA, had the honor of introducing the CITEL proposal to the Conference.

IARU President, Tim Ellam, has been using Twitter to keep interested radio amateurs apprised of what is happening at WRC-12. According to

his tweets, the African Telecommunications Union, the East African Community, the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity and the South African Development Community also support an MF secondary allocation to the Amateur Service. The Regional Commonwealth in the Field of Communications which represents Russia, has proposed no change to the current frequency allocations, aligning themselves with the Arab States, China, Iran and the International Maritime Organization. You can follow Ellam on Twitter at twitter.com/IARU_President. During WRC-12, 4U1ITU - the ITU HQ station, will be signing 4U1WRC.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TAKES WHITE NOISE OFF 40 METRES

Interference from All India Radio in the 40 metre band has been eliminated. Wolfgang Hadel, DK2OM, in Siegbach, Germany, reports that back last December he and Peter Jost, HB9CET, of Zurich, Switzerland, noticed a band of white noise-like interference on 40 metres covering from 6 960 to 7 040 kHz and also on 7 820 kHz. Calculation by DK2OM showed that the centre of the spurious emissions was on 7 410 kHz, a frequency used by All India Radio. From this point the German and Swiss Departments of Post and Telecommunications became involved. Both offices filed official complaints to their counterpart in India. VU2GMN assisted by filing a personal complaint.

On January 13 the offending transmitter located near New Delhi was reported as having been repaired.

HAMNET GAUTENG SOUTH MEETING

There is a HAMNET Gauteng South Meeting scheduled for Thursday 2 February 2012. The meeting venue is 9th Benoni Scout Hall, Arrow Park in Benoni. The meeting is scheduled for 19:00 until 21:00. Discussions will include The Ride for Sight and Carnival Mac Steel Cycle races in February. HAMWAN and APRS will also be on the menu. Come join them and serve your community.

CLUB NEWS

On Saturday the 4th February, the East Rand Branch of the SARL will be holding a flea market. The time is from 12:00 to 15:00 and will be held at the Scouts Arrow Park in Benoni. The park runs alongside Ebenezer st., Kleinfontein Agricultural Holdings, Benoni which is just off the Atlas road off ramp on the N12 East. There will be food and cool drinks available. For anyone wishing to book a table, please contact the club secretary Judy (ZS6JDY) via zs6jdy@vodamail.co.za.

COMPETITION NEWS

ANTIQUE WIRELESS ASSOCIATION CW ACTIVITY DAY

>Date: Sunday 05 February 15:00 to 19:00 CAT. Bands and Freq: 80 m 3 510 to 3 560 kHz; 40 m 7 000 to 7 040 kHz; 20 m 14 000 to 14 060 kHz. Categories: a) Single Operator, All Band, Low Power (maximum 100 W)

b) Single operator, All Band, QRP (Maximum 5 W)

c) Single Operator, Single Band, Low Power (maximum 100 W)

d) Single operator, Single band, QRP (maximum 5 W) Exchange: RST, Operator's name and Grid Square Scoring: 1 point for low power; 2 points for QRP Awards: Certificates are awarded for the highest score rankings.

Logs to be sent to: Southern African Antique Wireless Association,

PO Box 12320, Benoryn,

1504. E-mail: andyzs6ady@vodamail.co.za Closing date for log submission: Monday 20 February 2012.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity on the sun, as far as solar flares go, is declining after the major M-class flare of Monday. Region 1 402 is currently the largest visible sunspot and produces C-class flares from time-to-time.

The other sunspots continue to shrink in spot count. These regions will soon begin to rotate onto the western limb and out of direct Earth view.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 64.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

31 January - Last day for submission of nominations for Council members and also for submission of motions for the 2012 SARL AGM. 31 January - Closing date for submitting papers for SA AMSAT Space Symposium. 2 February - Hamnet South Gauteng meeting. 4 February - ZS6ERB flea market. 5 February - Antique Wireless Association CW activity day. 20 February - Last day for submission of logs for Antique Wireless Association CW activity day.

Remember, nominations for SARL awards, which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM may still be submitted. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays

on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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72. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 28 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-28 20:07:38 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934093d0652dd04b7949905@google.com>
Source record: 3639
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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50th Anniversary Perth City of Light, John Glenn, ARISS contact

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On the 20th of February 1962 a Mercury-Atlas 6 space craft
called 'Friendship 7' was launched. In the hot-seat was Astronaut John Glenn

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British antenna company InnovAntennas appoints first American dealer

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The full line of high performance HF, VHF and UHF amateur radio antennas
from fast-growing British company InnovAntennas are now available to
customers across the United States via Hamilton, Ohio’s RandL Electronics

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New RadCom Band Plans show substantial changes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KYLHSdqlAlE/new_radcom_band_plans_show_substantial_changes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest edition of RadCom features the 2012 RSGB Band Plans and a
background article on the substantial changes that have occurred

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CCARC Field Day at Wyong

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Who’s 55 years old and showing no sign of retiring? The CCARC Field Day at
Wyong, that’s who!

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Dayton Hamvention - Top Band Dinner

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Dinner reservations and tickets are now available for the 23rd Annual
Dayton TopBand Dinner on Friday evening, May 18th, at the Crowne Plaza -
downtown Dayton, Ohio

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Propagation de K7RA

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BNLM9LdbYUM/january_28.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This was another week in which average daily sunspot numbers declined, but
average daily solar flux increased

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TAPR and iQuadlabs announce agreement for SDR components

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The Tucson Amateur Packet Radio and iQuadlabs have announced a sourcing
agreement for High Performance Software Defined Radio (HPSDR) development
boards

73. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 151] Looking for a new amateur radio band

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-29 04:36:37 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F24A4E2.40501@rac.ca>
Source record: 3640
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

[IARU-R2-News 151] Looking for a new amateur radio band
2012-01-28

Ramon Santoyo V. - Secretary - IARU Region 2 wrote:

WRC-12 report from G3PSM.

Progress was made with a compromise proposal on agenda item 1.23, drafted to take into consideration the views of those for and those against an amateur service allocation around 500kHz. This proposal suggests a 7kHz segment between 472-479kHz, very close to the CEPT position of 472-480kHz. Initial indications are that this could be acceptable to many administrations and regional organisations. However, various meetings need to take place to have these formally accepted.

In order to tidy up the draft for the next meeting of the sub working group, a weekend meeting of the drafting group will be held. At the time of writing the NOC No Change advocates steadfastly maintain their positions.

Only 3 weeks left!

Source: Radio Society of Great Britain - Colin Thomas G3PSM

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd-January, through Sunday, 29th-January there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/m, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2012 DXU (Update/Press Release). Roger/G3SXW and Wayne/N7NG provided the following [edited]: DX University
First Session: The Holiday Inn, Visalia, California

Friday 20 April, 2012

Press Release Nr 2 (25 January 2012)
This all-day program will take place on the Friday of the Visalia
International DX Convention, 20th April 2012. Among the lecturers are
AA7A, G3SXW, K4UEE, K9LA, N7NG, W3UR, W6OAT, W9KNI, XE1KK, many of whom
are inductees of the CQ DX Hall of Fame. Learn the secrets of operating
techniques for working DX, optimizing stations & antennas for DXing,
about propagation, information sources, awards, ethics, remote operating,
QSLing and much more. You will also get the DXpeditioner's view of how
DXers should operate to get into the log.
Over half of the limited student places have already been reserved
since Registrations opened only three weeks ago. The fee is only 50
USDs, including lunch and breaks, but this will increase to 55 USDs for
places reserved after 1st February. Sign up now at:
http://www.dxuniversity.com
Further information from Wayne Mills, N7NG@arrl.net or Roger Western,
G3SXW@btinternet.com
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3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND. Operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM will once
again be active from Annobon Island (AF-039) and Bioko Island (AF-010,
DXCC - Equatorial Guinea) using the callsigns 3C0E and 3C6A, respectively.
According to their Web page they arrive at Malabo, Equatorial Guinea, by
the middle of February. (dates to be determined). In Malabo, they will
purchase all needed provisions as there are on stores on the island of
Annobon. A representative of the Ministry will also be traveling with
them to Annobon. If they have free time, they will have a active station
on the air on CW or SSB and RTTY using the callsign 3C6A from Malabo,
Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea. Then they will travel to Annobon and
be active as 3C0E. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Suggested frequencies
are:
CW - 1826.5 (*RX), 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024
SSB - 3785, 7075/7145, 14190, 18140, 21295, 24960 and 28480
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50.104/CW and 50.145/SSB MHz
*RX AS/OC 1821.5
RX EU/NA 1834.0
QSL both callsigns via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernab' Coll, P.O.Box 3097,
03080 Alicante, Spain. They are looking for sponsors for this very
expensive operation. For more details and updates, watch the Web pge at:
http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

9Q, DEM. REPUBLIC OF CONGO. Barney, ZS6TQ/ZS4U, will once again be active
from here, but this time as 9Q6/ZS4U between March 10th and April 5th.
Activity will be limited, probably mainly on the weekends and some
days during the week between 1200-1600z because of his work duties.
Operations will be on 40/20/15/10/6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL
via his home callsign.

EE8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operator Felipe, NP4Z, will be active as EE8Z from the Los Chachos Contest Club during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via EA8AY.

FP, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Allan, W6HGF, will be active as FP/W6HGF from Miquelon Island (NA-032,DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417) between February 10-20th, depending on transportation and weather. Activity will be on 160-10 meters but focused on the Digital modes, mostly RTTY, including an entry into the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 11-12th) and ARRL CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL via LoTW (Uploaded every night) or to W6HGF, direct or by the Bureau. For updates, watch: http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/FP_W6GHF_2012.html

FW0/TW0, WALLIS & FUTUNA (Update). Laci, HA0NAR, and his wife Susanne, HA0SR, will be active as FW0NAR from Uvea Island (aka Wallis, OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389, WW Loc. AH16VS) between January 28th and February 20th. Operator Steve, HA0DU, (their third operator) could not make the trip. The plans were to have two stations active on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with a focus on the lower bands. However, this may change since they lost an operator. There are also plans for a week long side trip to Futuna Island (OC-118) as TW0F. Laci will also take part in the ARRL CW Contest. QSL for both FW0NAR and TW0F via Laci HA0NAR. For updates, watch the FW0NAR Blog page at: http://fw0nar.blogspot.com

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND (Update). Bob, N2OO, QSL Manager for HK0NA reports: "Be advised that Op A logs from the top of the mountain arrive late and some QSOs therefore may not be in the current online log until the next upload. Overall, logs are uploaded about once a day. If you notice that your QSO is not showing up before the 'last' QSO in the database date/time posted here, wait for the next upload. If still not there, you may want to work them again. We do realize that there are some log gaps, and the team is doing everything they can to correct the situation. The gaps seem to be related to a software issue with their logging program. These gaps should not reoccur since the log collection process has been changed. At this time we cannot guarantee that we can recover the missing log data. We hope that this is not the case. But we probably will not know for sure until well after the DXpedition is over. If you have any missing QSOs from before January 27, we suggest that you try to work them again. The HK0NA team apologizes for the inconvenience. If anyone has any inquiries for any QSOs made AFTER Jan 27, and you waited one log upload past the last QSO date, please drop an email to me and I will research for
you.n2oo@arrl.net
will work. NOTE: I will not make any corrections to the log until I process QSL cards. If you think that there was a busted call, include a note with your QSL request." For updates and photos of the DXpedition, visit: http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/hk0na

IOTA NEWS.....
NA-085. Dennis, WA2USA, will be active as WA2USA/4 from St. George Island (USI FL007S, Franklin county, Florida) between February 1-27th. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via WA2USA, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his Web site at:

http://www.wa2usa.com

SA-024/
SA-071. (Correction/Update) A team consisting of Italian and Brazilian operators will activate the Brazilian Islands - Comprida (SA-024) and Peruhibe (SA-071) between January 30th and February 9th. The callsign to be used will be PR2I. Operators mentioned are Leopoldo/I8LWL, Paki/IZ8GDO, Vespe/IW8EZV, Angelo/PY2VA and Bruno/PY2EN (NOT Toni/PY2YW as mentioned earlier). QSL via IK7JWX. The team needs sponsors, supporters, and individual contributions. For more info and online log, see: http://www.i8lwl.it

SA-064. Marco, CE1TBN, will be active as CE1TBN/7 from Huichas Island between February 18-20th. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters mainly on SSB with some CW. QSL via his home callsign.

SA-088. Operators Marcelo/PP5BK, Fabio/PP5BZ, Ed/PP5VK, Roni/PP5ZB, Jose/PU5ATX and Claudio/PY3OZ will be active as PS5F from Santana de Fora (DIB SC-10) between February 3-6th. QSL via PP5BZ, by the Bureau or direct.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For February). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of February:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Tewkesbury, in Gloucestershire, by Walt, G3NYY. (/A WAB Square ◆O83 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).
MX1SWL/A - Operated from Dagenham, in Essex by John, M0HEM. (/A WAB Square ◆Q48 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).
For more information, see <http://www.iswl.org.uk> or QRZ.com and eQSL.cc

JX, JAN MAYEN (Limited future activity!). The "DX-World.net" reports: "Recently the Norwegian government declared most of Jan Mayen a Nature Reserve and banned landings and camping on most of the island. This means that tour operators can no longer visit since the main landing area is part of the Reserve. The only places left on the island which could be used as landing and camp sites are in Kvalross-bukta and in B◆tvika, in the very extreme (weather-wise) southern part of Jan Mayen. This will mean that most visits to the north part of the island (where previous landings occurred) will soon be impossible. Whilst radio amateur operations may still be possible from these two locations, which are difficult to get to (rough landing, very strong winds with sand storms, no access to any shelters or resources etc), it now appears JX5O was probably the last major expedition to Jan Mayen and may well be for the coming years. It also seems that only professional, licensed staff members at the Olonkin base will be able to activate the island, with that in itself a rare occurrence." However, Svein, LA9JKA, is expected to be based on the island beginning March 22nd, and is expected to stay until March 2013. No eQSLs, SWL reports are welcome. QSL only direct to: Svein Rabbevag, Brendlia 12, N-6013 Alesund, Norway. Also, see details on QR.com for postage info.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 30th-February 5th)....
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.wix.com/n2tta1/kp2mm

NH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Hal/W1NN and Joe/JA1LZR will be active as NH0J and NH0Z, respectively, from Tinian, Northern Marianas, until February 4th. Activity will be focused on the lower bands including this past weekend's CQWW 160 Contest. They will be using a K3 into 1.5 kW amp and a 1/4 wave verticals and RX antennas.

PZ, SURINAME. Operators Redd/AI2N, Ken/N2ZN and Dave/WJ2O will be active as PZ5RO between February 16-21st. The trio will staying at Ramon's (PZ5RA) QTH. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via AI2N. For more details, see: http://wj2o.com
ADDED NOTE: Redd and Dave plan to spend 3 days visiting Aruba (P4) on the way home. Look for them as P40/AI2N and P40/WJ2O.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
NEW QSL MANAGER. Patrice "Pat", 3B8FA, has been inactive for a long time and is now QRV again. He has chosen Buzz, NI5DX, as his QSL Manager. Pat has only begun using a computer about a month ago, and Buzz has recommended a few logging programs for Pat to use. There will be a learning curve for computer logging, but Pat will master it quickly. Buzz will be able to confirm only those contacts made with 3B8FA from January 23, 2012, forward. Buzz will be designing a card and having it printed. It will take about 5 weeks for Buzz to receive the cards from the printer.

NEW QSL MANAGER. It was announced that as of January 23rd, Rene, NP3O, would be the QSL Manager for WP3A, KP2B, NP3X and NQ2A. Please follow the instruction on QRZ.com.

QSL TIP FOR OD5NH QSLS. Chuck, W3ON, informs [edited]: "I have recently received a reply from Puzant Azirain, OD5NH, about what is required to obtain a QSL card from him. Puzant stated that it now costs 3 USDs for him to send a QSL card from his home in Lebanon to the U.S.A.. Puzant

further stated that he sends reply QSL cards as post cards, so that his outgoing mail does not get intercepted and opened. A friend of mine has twice in 2011 sent QSL card requests to Puzant and received a reply sent to him as a post card. Puzant also stated that if you want to be sure that he gets your QSL card, request to send it as registered mail. Just be sure that you print his name on the envelope, as he has to sign for it. If his name is not on the envelope, then he can not sign for it. He also stated that he frequently changes his P.O. Box to try and thwart those who want to open his mail and steal any enclosed monies. You still cannot send IRCs, as they can't be used in Lebanon. His current address as seen on www.qrz.com is: PUZANT AZIRIAN, BOX 80431, BOURJ HAMMOUD, BEIRUT, LEBANON. As usual, do not enter any callsigns on the envelope. Some folks have suggested using nested envelopes, to ensure delivery. On a personal note, it seems that sending an SAE is not useful to Puzant as he sends reply QSL cards as post cards."

QSL STATUS. Bill, VK4FW, informs that the 3D2T and T2T QSLs are now at the printer, and he expects to start sending QSLs out at the end of January.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: HG6N, HH2/PY1ZV, IK0LZR, JA1FNO, KH7Y, ON4IQ, PV8ADI, PY1KN, RA2FF, RV6ALI, S58N, SV1CQN, V5/DJ4SO, VA7ST and VP6T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4U1UN, 5N7M, 9A2AA, 9N7MD, BV100, C5A, C50C, CY0AA, E51PDX, EK7DX, EX2A, HC1MD/HC4, HH4/K4QD, HL2DC, HS0ZBS, J6/W0MU, JI1LET/JD1, K8LEE/CY0, KG4AS, N0TG/CY0, OH0Z, P49X, PJ2T, PJ4/W9NJY, PJ4T, PJ7E, PV8ADI, PY2FN/p, RC0F, RI1FJA, S50A, SP200BCA, TF/K5NA, T30OU, T30YA, TA3X, TU2T, UN7QX, UA0LSG, UA0ZS, UK8OM, V25RV, V63QQ, V63RR, V85NL, VP2MTA, VP2MWG, VR2XLN, WH0AU, XF1C, YN2CC, YS3/I2JIN, Z2/K0YY, ZF1A, ZL4LI, ZL7V and ZS2DL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: H40FN, J5V, OD5/DL6SN, V5/DK1CE and V63YT

T8 PALAU. Operators Kiyoshi/JA0EKI and Kazue/JJ0LUH will be active as T88XH and T88XG between February 26th and March 1st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65. They will have 1k amp, yagi and dipole antennas. QSL both callsign via JA0EKI.

TO2, REUNION ISLAND. Stephane "Stef", F5UOW, will be once again be active as TO2R from Reunion Island (AF-016) between March 26th and April 9th. QSL via his home callsign.

TO3, ST. BARTHELEMY. Operators Takayuki/JA1MZL and Yutaka/JJ1LIB will be active as TO3J from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) between February 1-7th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Online log will be available via ClubLog. QSL via JA1HGY. QSL cards will be available four ways: OQRS DIRECT (ClubLOG) after the DXpedition
OQRS BUREAU (ClubLOG) after the DXpedition
DIRECT MAIL WITH SASE/GS/IRC(s)
QSL BUREAU via JA1HGY

TM9, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM9AAW to be on the air between February 10-26th. Activity is to celebrate the 9th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW). Operations will be made by Fran&#65533;ois, F8DVD, from his QTH of M&#65533;con in the east part of France. The WAP reference number for TM9AAW is 220. Operations will be on 40-10 meters mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, by the Bureau or direct (w/SAE + 1 IRC or 2 USDs to: Fran&#65533;ois Bergez,
6, Rue de la Libert&#65533;, F-71000 MACON, FRANCE. For more details, see <http://tm9aaw.monsite-orange.fr> or TM9AAW on QRZ.com.

V3, BELIZE (Update). Will, AA4NC (W4MR), will be active as V31RR between February 16-25th. Operation will include all-band entries in the ARRL DX CW Contest and the NAQP RTTY Contest. Emphasis will be on RTTY, lowbands and 6 meters if propagation allows. QSL via LoTW or AI4U (direct only).

V6, MICRONESIA. William, V63YWR, is a new operator on Federai Island, Ulithi Atoll (OC-078), in the state of Yap, Micronesia. However, he mainly uses amateur radio for family phone patches with Rich, AH7G, in Hawaii, but will gladly exchange reports after (0900z) he is done with his phone patch which starts at 0730z on 14245 kHz. There are apparently no telephone lines on the island and local inhabitants cannot afford to use satellite phones. John, KH6DLK, is also/may be on frequency during the phone patches. John holds the callsign V63JB and is helping them install an HF radio system on Federai. William is currently using an IC-718 and longwire, but will soon have a Hexbeam sent from Hawaii. It was also mentioned that William is not much into pile-ups. AH7G will be getting QSL cards printed for V63YWR later.

VISALIA DX CONVENTION NEWS (Top-Band Dinner). During the 2012 Visali DX Convention, look for the Top-Band Dinner Banquet to take place on Friday, April 20th, at the Convention Hotel, Holiday Inn, Visalia, CA, in the Birch Room. Check-in and no-host bar starting at 6:30 PM. The program is by Bob Alphin, K4UEE, - "HK&#65533;NA, Top Band from Malpelo." There will be door prizes. Menu is - Miner 49er BBQ self-serve buffet dinner. COST: 37 (USDs)/person. If you wish to attend, please send an E-mail to Steve, WB6RSE, at his QRZ.com address, with the number of reservations you would like along with CALL (or XYL/guest), FIRST and LAST NAME, and contact E-MAIL address for each person. You will receive a return E-mail confirming availability along with payment information. THIS DINNER SELLS OUT IN ADVANCE. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!

VP6, PITCAIRN ISLAND. On Friday, January 27th, Nigel, G3TXF, released the following VP6T statement: "We are now about half way through the VP6T Pitcairn operation. The exact close-down time will depend on the weather forecast for the three-day sail from Pitcairn back to Mangareva in French Polynesia. But at a guess, we'll probably be starting to pack up in the morning (local time, i.e around 1700z) on Thursday Feb 2. The 34,800 VP6T QSOs made so far have all been up-loaded regularly to both ClubLog and LoTW. It's interesting to see that the 'QSL' percentage on LoTW is well over 25% within a few hours of each up-load. The LoTW up-load process itself has speeded up massively of late. It now only takes a minute or so for our daily batch of 5,000 QSOs to up-load. Jacques/F6BEE, Michel/

FM5CD, Vincent/F4BKV and Gilles/VE2TZT are all making huge efforts on both 80m and 160m. However, sadly (apart from the first night) Top Band has been very frustrating with only a handful of European QSOs. But they will keep trying every night!"
On Saturday, January 28th, Nigel reported: "There is no fixed plan, VP6T is just on the air with up to four stations around the clock. Just keep checking our published frequencies. We use them whenever we can. Otherwise check the Cluster. As I sit here sorting out the daily VP6T up-loads to both ClubLog and LoTW, the other four operators are currently on 28035-CW, 24960-SSB, 21035-CW and 18083-CW. They are each knee-deep in pile-ups. During our night (our sunset is 0330z) we are usually on 160m, 80m, 40m and 30m all at the same time. Once the LF bands close to Europe, we then typically operate 20m, 17m, 15m and 12m in parallel. Just to show that you don't need to be a colossal signal to get through, I was pleased to work George GM3OXX on 40m CW this morning (Saturday). George, I believe, typically only ever runs 1 watt. However as Laurie, G3UML, mentioned we do expect to be on 30m CW tomorrow (Sunday) morning. The excellent graphs on ClubLog show there's a significant peak in propaga-tion to England at 0800z, with good sigs up to 1000z or beyond. You ask for the 'best times' on the HF bands. Look at the (real) Propagation graphs on ClubLog. There's no better source!"

WEBINAR (Contest University 2012 - Date Change). Tim Duffy, K3LR, will present a look at Contest University (CTU) 2012, including the course line up, list of professors, and the WWROF endorsed Contester's Code of Ethics, on Monday, February 6th, at 9:30 PM 10:00 PM EST, during a WEBINAR. The CTU welcomes six new professors this year. Tim will review past years and tell you what makes CTU 2012 the best yet. You will find out what previous students have had to say about CTU and why you should attend this year. Registration is FREE! Go to:
https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/890795762

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

75. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 29 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-29 11:16:28 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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IARU Special WRC Report No. 1

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/La23io0V4yg/iaru_special_wrc_report_1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rod Stafford W6ROD, Secretary International Amateur Radio Union, has
released a report on WRC-12 taking place in Geneva

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Masat-1 Elliptical Orbit video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QLUfTS06gY8/masat_1_elliptical_orbit_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio CubeSat Masat-1, 437.345 MHz, is planned to launch on
Vega, February 9, from the ESA launch site at Kourou in the Caribbean

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/maEHgWFj-p8/january_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity on the sun, as far as solar flares go, is declining after
the major M-class flare of Monday. Region 1 402 is currently the largest
visible sunspot and produces C-class flares from time-to-time

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Windrm File Transfer video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TQ4AOwQ0LUI/windrm_file_transfer_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tony K2MO has produced a short video that illustrates how the free WinDRM
software can be used to transfer files

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FCC sets date for medical devices on 70 cm

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JFCJIWNIklE/fcc_sets_date_for_medical_d

evices_on_70cm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FCC has permitted medical devices to use 426–432 MHz and 438–444 MHz
from February 27

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Twitter to Amateur Radio Pager video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZuYFjR7TOis/twitter_to_amateur_radio_pager_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mark Rodgers KC8GRQ has been sending Tweets to a Pager using amateur radio

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Antique Wireless Association CW Activity Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KW-XrQ-NbLw/antique_wireless_association_cw_activity_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

South Africa's Antique Wireless Association CW Activity Day takes place on
Sunday 05 February between 15:00 and 19:00 CAT

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CUSat-1/2 to launch on SpaceX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tBM0baRNClQ/cusat_1_2_to_launch_on_spacex.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU amateur satellite frequency coordination panel have agreed
frequencies for CUSat-1/2, planned to launch on a SpaceX mission in October
2012. The 45kg satellite will split into two parts sometime after
separation from the launcher

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INTECNET is back!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ibe6ZNno5as/intecnet_is_back.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first INTECNET of 2012 will be held on Sunday 5 February at 19:30.
History will be made as this will be the first INTECNET that will be joined
by members of the Namibian Amateur Radio League

76. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-005E - Outstanding ARES ID cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-29 17:33:41 UTC
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RAC Bulletin 2012-005E - Outstanding ARES ID cards
2012-01-29

Good morning,

I am happy to advise that all outstanding ARES ID Cards are now "in the mail". Please accept my thanks for your patience. This has been a frustrating time that started with an absent supplier, then a sick supplier, then on to sourcing a new supplier at a reasonable cost, to eventually purchasing our own machine so I now do the cards in house here at my home office. Future turn around time will be days instead of weeks.

The other advantage we now have is the ability to print custom cards. As a benefit to affiliated Clubs and ARES Groups we can now offer printing in house of ID cards that are unique to your group, at the same cost ($4.00) as the ARES cards. Not only is this a benefit to you our members, but it will assist in the cost recovery time of our printer. Again, many thanks for your patience!

Later today I will be e-mailing some of you who did not send a picture with your card application. If you get this e-mail just send me a picture and I'll send your card out post haste.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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77. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 29th January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-29 21:00:11 UTC
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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 29th January 2012

IRTS AGM & Rally 2012

The IRTS AGM, Annual Dinner and Rally this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society at the Fairways Hotel on the weekend of April 21st & 22nd 2012. Please keep your diaries free for this special event in our 80th Anniversary year celebrations. More details to follow.

EI80IRTS Certificate

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society was founded 1932 and we are proud to celebrate our 80th anniversary in 2012. As part of the celebrations the Society will be using the special callsign EI80IRTS. A special certificate, available to all amateurs and SWLs, is being offered to celebrate this occasion. Contact the special call EI80IRTS during the period of January 1st, 2012 to December 31st, 2012.

A very attractive certificate for working EI80IRTS is sponsored by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, and details can be seen at http://www.ei7dar.com/ei80irts.html

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IOTA Contest Results

Provisional results of the 2011 Islands On The Air contest have now been published. Despite low sun-spots levels, the contest organisers received over 2,300 logs - the highest number yet - covering 632,000 QSOs and sufficient to enable them to adjudicate 75% of all QSOs.

The highest scoring station in the contest was the Bristol Contest Group (GJ6YB) who operated from Jersey and achieved a score of just under 15 million points from over 3,300 QSOs. The Bristol Contest Group were also the IOTA contest winners in 2010.

Irish stations submitted 21 contest logs and one check log. The full provisional results for EI and GI stations are on the IRTS web site - see Contest Results page or the link on the home page. The highest score was achieved by the EI/GI group on Rathlin Island, with a total of 2.7 million points from 1,606 QSOs. Other groups had higher QSO

numbers, but the Rathlin group had a better mix of multipliers and island stations. There are also some excellent results from stations in the Single-Operator categories.

The IOTA contest is one of the best supported contests in Ireland. The 2012 contest takes place on 28th / 29th July. The contest organisers have indicated that there will be a number of significant rule changes in 2012, notably to the scoring to emphasise island QSOs and, for the same reason, there will no longer be a World multi-op category as they are anxious to refocus the contest on working islands rather than building points through non-island stations working other non-island stations.

85th Armenian Anniversary

In honour of the 85th anniversary of DOSAAF of Armenia from January 21 to February 1, radio amateurs of Armenia will work using call sign of a special prefix EK85. QSL cards for QSOs with special stations should be send to the address of QSL-manager EK7DX. (www.qrz.com)

The electronic version of the diploma "85 years of DOSAAF of Armenia" shall be issued for the QSOs and SWLs with special stations on different bands, including WARC bands, using different types of modulation CW, SSB and Digital. For obtaining a diploma you have to dial 5 QSO / SWL. Applications must be mailed to the address of the manager: ek7dx /at/yahoo / dot/ com

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Declan EI9HQ

Declan will be out on Sunday 12th February on a run to Kilkenny starting around 0930 in WAI Square Oscar22. He will be on 7.170mhz. Anyone looking for squares from this route please email before 10th February at ei9hq/ at/ O2/ dot/ ie.

RAOTA

RAOTA, the Radio Amateur Old Timers Association is looking for more members and will have a stand at the Lough Erne Rally on Sunday 1 April. RAOTA seeks to keep alive the pioneer spirit and traditions of the past in today's amateur radio. Its friendly gatherings and nets on the bands, the hundred issues to-date of its quarterly journal, OT News, and RAOTA's other publications amount to an important, historic and technical treasure of amateur radio lore, that remains pertinent today.For more information visit :-www.raota.org gi0lec.blogspot.com

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WRC-12 Gets Underway

The opening of the World Radiocommunications Conference (WRC-12) got under way in Geneva on Monday last and will continue until 17 February.

More than 3000 delegates from over 150 countries are represented.

The work started with the election of various committee and working group chairpersons. Brennan Price, N4QX, the ARRL Chief Technical Officer and a member of the US delegation was elected Chairman of the Sub Working Group which will be dealing with agenda item 1.23 on a secondary allocation to the amateur service around 500 kHz.

The IARU is well represented at the conference and of course many countries, including our own, have licensed amateurs as members of their national delegations.

In addition to item 1.23 on 500 kHz the other agenda items of particular interest to radio amateurs are:

1.15 to consider possible allocations in the range 3 to 50 MHz to the radiolocation service for oceanographic radar applications

2.19 to consider regulatory measures and their relevance, in order to enable the introduction of software defined and cognitive radio systems

3.22 to examine the effect of emissions from short range devices on radiocommunications services.

We will try to keep you informed of developments on 500 kHz as news develops.

Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club will meet in the River Room at the Commons Inn, New Mallow Road in Cork City at 8.00 p.m. on Monday February 6th. Computer logging in the shack will be the theme of the meeting and some popular logging packages will be demonstrated and evaluated. The 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic is being marked by several special event stations at ports associated with the ships maiden voyage. These include Belfast, Southampton, Cherbourg, Cobh, Cape Race, VO1MCE and a maritime mobile station, VE0MGY at the site of the sinking. The special call sign EI100T has been issued for the year 2012 and Cork Radio Club members will operate the station from Cobh throughout the year. The main event will happen over the weekend of April 13/14th and everyone is encouraged to visit the special event station over that weekend in Cobh. Information on EI100T from Cormac EI4HQ QTHR. Further information on Cork Radio Club is available from Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710. Visitors and new members will be very welcome at the Commons Inn on February 6th.

Limerick Radio Club

The Annual General Meeting of Limerick Radio Club will be hold on Wednesday 8 February 2012 in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm and all paid up members are requested to attend.

Rally: Limerick Radio Club rally will be held on Sunday March 11th 2012 at the Radisson Blue Hotel on the Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11am and all the usual traders will attend. Bring and Buy tables can be ordered from Dermot Gleeson EI2GT.

South Dublin Radio Club Talks

Following Joe EI7GY's interesting talk on the DXCC programme Colin McKeeman will give a talk on aeronautical radio communications on the North Atlantic on Tuesday 31st January

The club plans on launching it's television repeater for Dublin at the Phoenix Amateur Radio Club Rally in February.

DX News

A group of Italian amateurs will be active from the Indian Ocean island of Mayotte from now until 5th February. The callsign is TO4M. As well as being a DXCC entity this one counts for the Island on the Air Award with reference AF-027. QSL manager is IK5CRH.

An international team will air the callsign HU2DX from El Salvador from 29 January until 10 February. The usual prefix in El Salvador is YS so this operation will also be of interest to prefix hunters. The QSL manager is DH7WW.

Two Japanese amateurs will operate as TO3J from the Caribbean island of St Barthelemy from 1 - 6 February. They will be active on all bands 80-6m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL info is via JA1HGY.

For those who still need the DXCC entity of the ITU HQ in Geneva look out for 4U1WRC from now until 17 February. This call is active from the 4U1ITU station during the ITU World Radio Conference 2012.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

78. [RAC-Bulletin] Special WRC Report Number One

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Special WRC Report Number One
2012-01-29

The International Telecommunication Union ("ITU") World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 (WRC-12) started 23 January 2012 in Geneva, Switzerland. This is the "big show" for spectrum allocation matters and a very important meeting if you are an amateur radio operator anywhere in the world. Every 4 or 5 years a WRC takes place. The last one was in 2007. Approximately 3,000 people will attend WRC-12. These are government officials, telecommunication industry people and others, like the IARU, who have an interest in the use of the radio spectrum. The agenda items discussed during WRC-12 were established at the previous WRC in 2007. In the past 4.5 years there have been many committee meetings within the ITU to try to arrive at solutions that will satisfy each of the agenda items. In the case of some of the agenda items, several possible methods to satisfy the agenda item have been identified. Itis up to the WRC to select the most appropriate method to satisfy the agenda item, that is, to arrive at an worldwide solution to the issue presented in the agenda item.

There are a number of agenda items for WRC-12 that have some impact on amateur radio, immediately or sometime in the future. Each of the agenda items is assigned to a committee and also sub-working groups. Within each of these sub-working groups the agenda items are discussed in detail, the proposals from regional telecommunication organizations are analyzed, and the discussion proceeds toward developing a consensus on the agenda item. It seems to the casual observer to be a slow, tedious process but it works quite well in developing consensus, assuming the parties are at least a little bit flexible in their views.

AI 1.23. The agenda item that has been discussed widely within the amateur community over the last 5 years is agenda item AI 1.23. In 2007, the agenda item was stated as follows: "to consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415-526.5 kHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services" There are a number of suggested ways to satisfy this agenda item that are being discussed at the WRC: 1. A secondary allocation of up to 15 kHz to the ARS on a worldwide basis between 472 kHz and 487 kHz. 2. Two non-contiguous worldwide secondary allocations to the ARS at 461-469 kHz and 471-478 kHz, totalling 15 kHz. 3. A CEPT proposal for a worldwide secondary allocation of 8 KHz from 472 to 480 kHz. 4. No change.

It appears from the first several days of committee meetings that many of the member states attending the WRC are in favor of granting the amateur radio service an allocation but the details remain to be established. The member states that are in favor of No Change (NOC) have stated that they are primarily concerned with possible interference to Non Direction Beacons that currently operate in the spectrum under consideration. It is still early in the process to determine if the amateur service will succeed in gaining an allocation in this portion of the spectrum.
AI 1.10. This agenda item is as follows: "to examine the frequency allocation requirements with regard to operation of safety systems for ships and ports and associated regulatory provisions, in accordance with Resolution 357 (WRC-07)" This agenda item might have impacted the IARU goal of achieving a secondary allocation under AI 1.23. However, with the dropping of the AI 1.23 Method for an amateur allocation between 493 and 510 kHz, there should no longer be a conflict between maritime service objectives for AI 1.10 and amateur service objectives for AI 1.23.

AI 1.15. This agenda item is as follows: "to consider possible allocations in the range 3-50 MHz to the radiolocation service for oceanographic radar applications, taking into account the results of ITU-R studies, in accordance with Resolution 612" ITU committee meetings leading up to WRC-12 have identified the following bands to be studied under this Agenda Item: 3.5 . 5.5 MHz, 8 . 10 MHz, 12 . 14 MHz, 24 . 30 MHz, 39 . 45 MHz. These have been refined to particular candidate sub-bands including 5.060-5.450 MHz, 13.870-14.000 MHz, 24.000-24.890 MHz and 29.700-30.000 MHz. The IARU position is that oceanographic radar applications are incompatible with the amateur and amateur satellite services in the range 3 to 50 MHz and should not be allocated in bands already allocated to the amateur and amateur satellite service, including 5.250-5.450 MHz in which a growing number of administrations are providing for some access by amateurs on a domestic basis.

Footnotes. At each WRC, there is an agenda item that deals with footnotes contained within the Radio Regulations. Generally, this is a situation where an administration (a country) has "opted out" of the decision of a WRC and therefore creates an exception to the table of frequencies in the Radio Regulations. For example, a country may say that it will not use a certain service in a portion of the spectrum that has been designated for that service by the WRC. Therefore, a footnote is created in the Radio Regulations for that portion of the spectrum indicating a designated use is not available in that country even though it may be available in many other parts of the world. There are a number of examples of footnotes that relate to amateur radio. One of IARU's tasks during each WRC is to try to get administrations to remove their country's name from footnotes that prevent amateurs in that country from using spectrum that is available for amateur radio usage in other countries.

There are other agenda items which the IARU has determined to be a low threat to the amateur radio and the amateur-satellite services but those items will be closely watched by the IARU Team at the WRC-12 to make sure they do not negatively impact amateur radio.

WRC-12 started on Monday, 23 January and will conclude on Friday, 17 February. During this four week period, as the working groups and sub-working groups go through the agenda items I will report any significant developments in subsequent electronic newsletters.

Rod Stafford, W6ROD
Secretary - IARU Region 2

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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79. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th January 2012

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 29th January 2012

The news headlines:

* Logbook of the World to support CQ awards

* Latest news from the World Radiocommunications Conference

* Acting Chairman for ARDC announced

CQ Communications and the Amateur Radio Relay League in the USA have signed an agreement to begin providing support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World electronic confirmation system. CQ's awards are the first non-ARRL awards supported by Logbook of the World and will be phased in, beginning with the CQ WPX award. Amateurs will be able to use Logbook of the World logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard Logbook of the World credit fees and CQ award fees will apply.

RSGB Past President, Colin, G3PSM is attending the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 as part of the UK delegation until 17 February. He is posting daily news on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/WRTC-12-news/. Over 3000 participants, representing more than 150 out of the ITU's 193 Member States are attending the four-week conference, making it one of the most significant ITU events. About 100 Observers from among ITU's 700 private sector members, along with international organisations are also attending.

As notified in the February edition of RadCom, the RSGB is seeking a new Chairman for the Amateur Radio Development Committee. Until that appointment is made, Steve Hartley, G0FUW, has been appointed Acting Chairman, ARDC with immediate effect.

The Chibis-M microsatellite, also known as RS-39, was jettisoned from the Progress M-13M cargo spacecraft Tuesday 24 January. The satellite is designed to study atmospheric phenomena such as Terrestrial Gamma Ray Flashes associated with lightning. RS-39 has CW beacons on 435.315 and 435.215MHz and amateurs are asked to submit reception reports via e-mail to the Space Research Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences at amateur-rs39@chibis.cosmos.ru. Each report will be acknowledged with a special QSL.

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society was founded 1932 and, as part of the 80th anniversary celebrations, the IRTS will be using the special callsign EI80IRTS. A certificate will be available to all amateurs and SWLs with bronze, silver and gold levels for contacting the station during 2012. The certificate is sponsored by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society and details can be seen at www.ei7dar.com/ei80irts.html. You can now read about some of the activities and decisions of the RSGB Board in a new running log on the RSGB website. Check out www.rsgb.org/boardprogress/.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Horncastle Winter Rally will take place today, 29 January, in the Horncastle Youth Centre, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50. Details from Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527 835.

Next weekend, 5 February, the 27th Canvey Radio & Electronics Rally will be held at The Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey Island, Essex SS8 0JA, which is at the southern end of A130. Doors open at 10.30am. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978 during the evening please.

Also on 5 February, the Radio-Active Rally will take place in the Civic Hall, Nantwich, Cheshire CW5 5DG. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be trade stands and Bring & Buy. More information from Simon Chettle, G8ATB, on 01270 841 506.

Now for the news of special events

Listen out for stations taking part in SOS Radio Week in conjunction with the RNLI. Lots of stations will be on the air fund raising for the charity. See www.sosradioweek.org.uk/stations/ for details of those taking part.

Station personnel at 4U1ITU, the amateur radio station at the International Telecommunication Union in Geneva, have installed a webcam in the station, allowing anyone with an Internet connection to view live happenings at the station. 4U1ITU will be signing as 4U1WRC during the 2012 World Radio Communication Conference that runs until 17 February. The station will revert back to 4U1ITU just in time for the ARRL International DX CW Contest on 18 and 19 February.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Members of the Buddies in the Caribbean will mount a mini-DXpedition to Grenada between 1 and 9 February. The team specialises in 100 watts or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems. Modes used will be CW, SSB, and the digital on 10 through to 160 metres. QSL via Logbook of the World, eQSL, or regular mail to operator's home callsign and include a self addressed stamped envelope if you go the postal route.

JA1XGI will be active from Hawaii as W8XGI/KH6 between 31 January and 4 February just prior to his upcoming trip to Tonga. Operations will probably be on 6 through to 20 metres with an emphasis on 30, 17 and 12

metres. He is expected to operate mainly CW, with some SSB and the digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by via the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Laci, HA0NAR is leading a small group that will be on the air as FW0R from the Pacific islands of Wallis and Futuna until 23 February. QSL Manager is HA0NAR. Dennis, WA2USA/4, will be active from St. George Island from 1 to 27 February. More information can be found at: www.wa2usa.com. QSL via his home callsign either through the bureau or direct.

Now the contest news

The CQWW 160m DX Contest takes place for 48 hours ending at 2200 today, 29 January, using CW only. The UK is CQ Zone 14. USA stations will send a signal report and their 2-letter State code, while Canadian stations will send a signal report and their 3-letter Province code. Accurate logkeeping is a must in this event, because there are penalties for bad or busted QSOs.

The BARTG RTTY Sprint finishes at 1200UTC today, 29 January. Since last year it has become an event in the HF Championship, but it is still adjudicated by BARTG and competing stations need to submit their entries to BARTG. Single band entries are not allowed and the contest uses the bands from 3.8 to 28MHz. The contest exchange is serial number only. Stations who have been placed in the Top 10 of any BARTG event in the past three years must enter the Expert category

The 70MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 31 January from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 432MHz AFS contest is the final Super League event of the 2011/2012 season. It takes place for four hours on the morning of the 5th from 0900 to 1300UTC. A French contest coincides with the first couple of hours, so don't forget to take advantage of the activity by beaming that way early on. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The European Phase Shift Keying Club's PSK63 Contest takes place next weekend on 4 and 5 February. Last year there was a big increase in participation but in several of the categories there were no entries at all from parts of the UK. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands between 1200 and 1200UTC, the exchange is signal report and serial number

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 20th to Thursday the 26th of January, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 27th of January.

The two large sunspot regions mentioned in last week's report continued to dominate the solar disc and solar activity. Numerous C class solar flares took place on a daily basis but the largest event was a long duration M8 proton solar flare during the morning of the 23rd.

Associated with this event were multi-frequency radio emissions spanning from 25MHz through to 15.4GHz, a fast moving large coronal mass ejection and a sudden ionospheric disturbance. Solar flux levels declined from 142 units on the 21st to 126 by the 25th. The average was 137 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 26th was 143, that's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B5.8 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but during the early hours of the 22nd a coronal mass ejection arrived from the solar flare of the 19th. The Ap index for the 22nd was 24 units. This was the first disturbed day since the 1st of November last year. Then around 1500 hours on the 24th a second, faster coronal mass ejection arrived associated with the M8 flare from the 23rd. This disturbance did not last as long but the Ap index for the 24th was also 24 units. Activity then declined back to quiet levels by the 26th. The average was Ap 13 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 290 kilometres per second on the 21st to 650 by the 25th. Particle densities increased to 63 particles per cubic centimetre during the 22nd. Bz varied between minus 4 and plus 6 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 29 and plus 28 nanoTeslas on the 22nd and between minus 18 and plus 29 nanoTeslas during the 24th.

Radio aurora took place on four consecutive days from the 22nd. By far the strongest was the evening of the 22nd, which lasted into the 23rd, when stations on the south coast could participate. Northern England and Scotland also had the pleasure of an exceptional visual aurora, where skies were clear of clouds. Further down the radio spectrum, the HF bands were badly degraded especially the high latitude paths. However, they recovered quite rapidly with MUFs back up to 27MHz or higher with paths to Africa and South America on 28MHz better than expected considering magnetic levels.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the slightly quieter side of the Sun is expected to be facing our way. Solar activity should be low on most days with only a slight chance that activity will increase to moderate levels. Solar flux levels should be in the 120s for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet everyday. This week there is only a small chance that any coronal mass ejections will head our way. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 29MHz. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 8MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 50 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1300 and 1800 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on

the RSGB website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 30 January Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal, workshop and construction evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 30 January South Birmingham Radio Society is having a field day planning meeting and equipment review. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 31 January Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 31 January Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 31 January Wythall Radio Club is having a talk on VHF by Tim Kirby G4VXE, VHF columnist of Practical Wireless. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 1 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting and training classes. Contact Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 1 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Wednesday 1 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is putting G3ZME on the air and having a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 2 February Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and holding a committee meeting. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 2 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 3 February Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding its construction competition. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 3 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 5 February Wythall Radio Club is taking a trip to the Radio Active Rally, Nantwich. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 30 January Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 30 January Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G3PHO on the G7FEK multiband HF antenna. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 30 January South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 30 January Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the birth of radio by Jack, G4BFH. Details from Jack Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 31 January Chester & District Radio Society is having talks by construction competition entrants. Details from Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 31 January Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Raymond, 9H4RN on getting started with ham radio in Gozo, Malta. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Tuesday 31 January Warrington Radio Club is having a talk on Home Antennas Plus by Roger Spensley, M0DWQ. Information from Leigh Jepson, 2E0LDJ by e-mail to leigh@2e0ldj.net.

On Wednesday 1 February Denby Dale Radio Club is watching the VP8ORK and T32C DXpedition videos. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 1 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is dining at Driffield. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 1 February Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Wednesday 1 February Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is making final assignments for the Radio Active rally. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday 2 February Spen Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on a simple and cheap antenna analyser by Russell, G0FOI. Further details from Russell Wilde on 01274 875 038.

On Thursday 2 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the wonders of China by Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 2 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a rally planning meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 3 February East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 3 February Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is discussing Noises Off. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com. On Sunday 5 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a training day from 13:30. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club plans another course for the Intermediate amateur radio licence, both practical assessments and examination. The first session will be at 1pm today, 29 January, in the SHARE Centre, BT92 OEQ. It may be possible to join the course at subsequent sessions. Contact Michael MI5MTC by e-mail to sec@learc.eu.

On Thursday 2 February Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club a presentation about Logbook of the World by Richard, GI4DOH. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

On Saturday 4 February Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is having an informal radio, computer and electronics bring and buy sale with coffee morning. For more information send an email to cqmuarc@gmail.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 31 January Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 2 February Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 2 February Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and demonstration of Radio and TV of Yesteryear by Steve Liley and John Rennie, GM4UWX. Contact Jim Nicol, MM0SMD, on 01340 820 134.

On Thursday 2 February Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on microwaves by MM1HMZ. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Friday 3 February Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Chesham and District Amateur Radio Society will be running an Advanced licence course at the White Hill Centre, Chesham HP5 1AG, which is accessible by road via the M25 or M40 and a few minutes walk from Chesham underground station (Metropolitan Line). Classes will be held on Sunday afternoons between 2 and 6pm starting on 25 March. For further information please contact the tutor, Roger, G3MEH, by e-mail to g3meh@hotmail.co.uk or 01442 826651.

On Tuesday 31 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815. On Wednesday 1 February Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on PICs by Gary Matthews. Details from John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 2 February Cray Valley Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio test equipment by G8MCA. Details from Malcolm Bryan,

G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 2 February Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 2 February Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on vector network analysis using the Mini VNA by John Matthews. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 2 February Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Friday 3 February Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is holding its AGM and construction contest. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 4 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM at the shack at 11am. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Sunday 5 February South Essex Amateur Radio Society is at the Canvey Radio Rally. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 30 January Bristol RSGB Group is holding its AGM. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Wednesday 1 February Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting at Perranarworthal Church Hall. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Wednesday 1 February Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is watching a selection of relevant amateur radio videos. Contact Peter Robinson, G0EYR, on 07811 635 819.

On Wednesday 1 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Linux in the shack by Adrian, 2E0SDR. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 2 February Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a main club meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 2 February Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having an introduction to Morse. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Thursday 2 February South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a music night with Daygan. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 2 February Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750. On Friday 3 February Bournemouth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Ted Nelson on his experiences as a young airman during World War Two. Contact Russell Saunders on 01202 885 278.

On Friday 3 February Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

80. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 30 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-30 20:06:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934048f9704d604b7bcd920@google.com>
Source record: 3647
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio Exams in DR Congo

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h4hYUjIGVlk/amateur_radio_exams_in_dr_congo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On January 27, 2012, the first Amateur Radio Exams took place in the ARAC clubhouse in Kinshasa, Democatic Republic of Congo

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7th Great Hamfest of the North 2012 in Puerto Rico

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O89Owj1vcLI/great_hamfest_of_the_north.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Caribbean Amateur Radio Group invites all ham radio operators, CBer's, those interested in communications and the public in general to the 7th Great Hamfest of the North, to be held on Sunday, February 5th, 2012 in the Francisco "Pancho" Deida Coliseum, Hatillo, Puerto Rico

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ROS joins USA experimental spread spectrum tests

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0RwfnEEbY_s/ros_%20joins_usa_experimental_spread_spectrum_tests.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FCC has issued a Special Transmission Authority ‘STA’ to a U.S. experimental group for the purpose of integrating Spread Spectrum modes within the USA

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Of Martian Lines

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9_UTfkVsWRY/of_martian_lines.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new novel featuring Morse code and radio signals is launched today on the internet

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VzbxAugfIgo/january_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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Chelmsford Intermediate Amateur Radio Course

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/t8Ilsr80vVU/chelmsford_intermediate_amateur_radio_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Intermediate course run by volunteers from the Chelmsford Amateur Radio
Society (CARS) will start in March

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Lessons learned, changes made in wake of large-scale emergency

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7gMxS4K5pSo/lessons_learned.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Enid News reports on the lessons learned from an ice storm 10 years ago
that showed amateur radio could be used to overcome communication problems

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2012 DX University

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KZPoUZs5Yag/dx_university.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This all-day program will take place on the Friday of the Visalia
International DX Convention, 20th April 2012

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G3aboOxbOtE/dxcc_report_3001.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
22nd-January, through Sunday, 29th-January there were 226 countries active

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Media Network Vintage Vault: Chernobyl

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DuS6Sa-6yvY/media_network_vintage_vault.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest addition to the Media Network Vintage Vault is an edition of the
radio show from 1986 - Chernobyl on the Radio

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Fiji signals it may switch Radio Australia back on

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6eBiqRz7mIA/fiji_may_switch_radio_australia_back_on.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andy Sennit reports on the Media Network that Radio Australia may broadcast again from Fiji

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Outstanding ARES ID cards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6g5PgdBn2zI/outstanding_ares_id_cards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Amateurs of Canada's Doug Mercer VO1DTM reports that all outstanding ARES ID Cards are now 'in the mail'

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RAOTA at the Lough Erne Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xqORSeMS7aw/raota.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

RAOTA, the Radio Amateur Old Timers Association, is looking for more members and will have a stand at the Lough Erne Rally on Sunday 1 April

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Amateur Radio Self Build Kits talk

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kQ4yH_B0gMw/amateur_radio_self_build_kits_talk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With the growing interest in home construction there will be talk on February 7 to the Chelmford Amateur Radio Society about amateur radio DIY kits

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fw-OVWdVLT4/history_30_january.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

81. Updated List 2012 Solutions Manuals, Instructor Manuals & Test Banks Collection. Largest Collection Over The Net !!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-31 10:22:03 UTC
From: tbwork tbwork <tbwork008@gmail.com>
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We would like to inform you that we have updated our list with the following new titles.
You can contact us directly at tbwork.ads(at)gmail.com .

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2011 Federal Taxation, 5th Edition 2011, Pratt.Kulsrud, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

2011 Federal Taxation, 5th Edition 2011, Pratt.Kulsrud, Test Bank

21st Century Astronomy, 3rd Edition, Blumenthal.Hester.Kay.Smith.Voss, Instructor Manual

21st Century Astronomy, 3rd Edition, Blumenthal.Hester.Kay.Smith.Voss, Test Bank

A Concise Introduction to Logic, 11th Edition 2012, Hurley, Test Bank

A Framework for Human Resource Management, 6th Edition, Gary Dessler, Instructor Manual

A Framework for Human Resource Management, 6th Edition, Gary Dessler, Test Bank

A History of Modern Psychology, 10th Edition 2012, Schultz.Schultz, Instructor Manual

A History of Modern Psychology, 10th Edition 2012, Schultz.Schultz, Test Bank

A History of Modern Psychology, 9th Edition, Schultz.Schultz, Test Bank

A History of Narrative Film, 4th Edition, Cook, Test Bank

A History of Western Music, 8th Edition, Burkholder.Grout.Palisca, Instructor Manual

A History of Western Music, 8th Edition, Burkholder.Grout.Palisca, Test Bank

A Second Course in Statistics; Regression Analysis, 7th Edition 2012, Mendenhall.Sincich, Solutions Manual

Abnormal Psychology, 11th Edition, Kring.Neale.Johnson, Instructor Manual

Abnormal Psychology, 11th Edition, Kring.Neale.Johnson, Test Bank

Abnormal Psychology, 4th Edition, Seligman.Walker.Rosenhan, Test Bank

Abnormal Psychology; An Integrative Approach, 6th Edition 2012, Barlow.Durand, Instructor Manual

Abnormal Psychology; An Integrative Approach, 6th Edition 2012, Barlow.Durand, Test Bank

Abnormal Psychology; Perspectives with MyPsychKit_Fourth Edition, 4th Edition, Dozois.Firestone, Instructor Manual

Abnormal Psychology; Perspectives with MyPsychKit_Fourth Edition, 4th Edition, Dozois.Firestone, Test Bank

Access to Health, 12th Edition 2012, Donatelle, Solutions Manual

Access to Health, 12th Edition 2012, Donatelle, Test Bank

Accounting Information Systems, 12th Edition 2012, Romney.Steinbart, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Accounting Information Systems, 12th Edition 2012, Romney.Steinbart, Test Bank

Accounting Information Systems, 7th Edition, James Hall, Solutions Manual

Accounting Principles, 10th Edition, Weygandt.Kimmel.Kieso, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Accounting Principles, 10th Edition, Weygandt.Kimmel.Kieso, Test Bank

Accounting Using Excelr for Success, 2nd Edition 2012, Reeve.Warren.Duchac, Solutions Manual

Accounting, 24th Edition 2012, Warren.Reeve.Duchac, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Accounting, 24th Edition 2012, Warren.Reeve.Duchac, Test Bank

Accounting, 9th Edition 2012, Horngren.Harrison.Oliver, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Accounting, 9th Edition 2012, Horngren.Harrison.Oliver, Test Bank

Adober Dreamweaverr CS5; Complete, 1st Edition 2011, Shelly.Wells, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Adober Dreamweaverr CS5; Complete, 1st Edition 2011, Shelly.Wells, Test Bank

Adober Dreamweaverr CS5; Comprehensive, 1st Edition 2011, Shelly.Wells, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Adober Dreamweaverr CS5; Comprehensive, 1st Edition 2011, Shelly.Wells, Test Bank

Adober Dreamweaverr CS5; Introductory, 1st Edition 2011, Shelly.Wells, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Adober Dreamweaverr CS5; Introductory, 1st Edition 2011, Shelly.Wells, Test Bank

Adober Photoshopr CS5 Revealed, 1st Edition 2011, Elizabeth Eisner Reding, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Adober Photoshopr CS5 Revealed, 1st Edition 2011, Elizabeth Eisner Reding, Test Bank

Advanced Accounting, 11th Edition 2012, Fischer.Taylor.Cheng, Solutions Manual

Advanced Accounting, 11th Edition 2012, Fischer.Taylor.Cheng, Test Bank

Advanced Financial Accounting, 9th Edition 2011, Baker.Christensen.Cottrell, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Advanced Financial Accounting, 9th Edition 2011, Baker.Christensen.Cottrell, Test Bank

Advanced Visual Basic 2010, 5th Edition 2012, Irvine.Gaddis, Solutions Manual

Advertising & IMC; Principles and Practice, 9th Edition 2012, Moriarty.Mitchell.Wells, Instructor Manual

Advertising and Integrated Brand Promotion, 6th Edition 2012, O'Guinn.Allen.Semenik, Instructor Manual

Advertising and Integrated Brand Promotion, 6th Edition 2012, O'Guinn.Allen.Semenik, Test Bank

Advertising and Promotion; An Integrated Marketing Communications Perspective, 9th Edition 2012, Belch.Belch, Instructor Manual

Advertising and Promotion; An Integrated Marketing Communications Perspective, 9th Edition 2012, Belch.Belch, Test Bank

Agricultural Economics, 3rd Edition, Drummond.Goodwin, Instructor Manual

Agricultural Economics, 3rd Edition, Drummond.Goodwin, Test Bank

Algebra and Trigonometry, 4th Edition 2012, Beecher.Penna.Bittinger, Solutions Manual

Algebra and Trigonometry, 4th Edition 2012, Beecher.Penna.Bittinger, Test Bank

Algebra and Trigonometry, 9th Edition 2012, Michael Sullivan, Solutions Manual

Algebra and Trigonometry, 9th Edition 2012, Michael Sullivan, Test Bank

Algebra for College Students, 5th Edition, Mark Dugopolski, Solutions Manual

Algebra for College Students, 5th Edition, Mark Dugopolski, Test Bank

Algebra for College Students, 7th Edition 2012, Lial.Hornsby.McGinnis, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Algebra for College Students, 7th Edition 2012, Lial.Hornsby.McGinnis, Test Bank

Algebra; A Combined Approach, 4th Edition 2012, Elayn Martin-Gay, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Algebra; A Combined Approach, 4th Edition 2012, Elayn Martin-Gay, Test Bank

Algebra; Form and Function, 1st Edition, McCallum.Connally.Hughes-Hallett.Cheifetz.Davidian.Lock.Lovelock.Schmierer.Shure.Swenson.Marks

America's Courts and the Criminal Justice System, 10th Edition 2011, Neubauer.Fradella, Instructor Manual

America's Courts and the Criminal Justice System, 10th Edition 2011, Neubauer.Fradella, Test Bank

America; A Narrative History, 8th Edition, Tindall.Shi, Instructor Manual

America; A Narrative History, 8th Edition, Tindall.Shi, Test Bank

America; A Narrative History_Brief, 8th Edition, Tindall.Shi, Instructor Manual

America; A Narrative History_Brief, 8th Edition, Tindall.Shi, Test Bank

American Constitutional Law; Sources of Power and Restraint_Volume I, 5th Edition 2012, Stephens.Scheb, Instructor Manual

American Criminal Courts, 1st Edition 2012, Roberson.DiMarino, Instructor Manual

American Criminal Courts, 1st Edition 2012, Roberson.DiMarino, Test Bank

American Foreign Policy; The Dynamics of Choice in the 21st Century, 4th Edition, Jentleson, Test Bank

American Government and Politics Today 2011-2012 Edition, 15th Edition 2012, Schmidt.Shelley.Barbara.Bardes.Ford, Test Bank

American Government and Politics Today; Essentials 2011 - 2012 Edition, 16th Edition 2012, Bardes.Shelley.Schmidt, Instructor Manual

American Government and Politics Today_Texas Edition_2009-2010, 14th Edition, Schmidt.Shelley.Bardes.Maxwell.Crain.Santos, Test Bank

American Government and Politics Today_Texas Edition_2011-2012, 15th Edition 2012, Schmidt.Shelley.Bardes.Ford.Maxwell.Crain.Santos, Test Bank

American Government; Power and Purpose, 11th Edition, Ginsberg.Lowi.Shepsle.Ansolabehere, Instructor Manual

American Government; Power and Purpose, 11th Edition, Ginsberg.Lowi.Shepsle.Ansolabehere, Test Bank

American Government; Power and Purpose_Brief, 11th Edition, Ginsberg.Lowi.Shepsle.Ansolabehere, Instructor Manual

American Government; Power and Purpose_Brief, 11th Edition, Ginsberg.Lowi.Shepsle.Ansolabehere, Test Bank

American Politics Today, 1st Edition, Bianco.Canon, Instructor Manual

American Politics Today, 1st Edition, Bianco.Canon, Test Bank

American Politics Today, 2nd Edition, Bianco.Canon, Instructor Manual

American Politics Today, 2nd Edition, Bianco.Canon, Test Bank

American Public Policy; An Introduction, 10th Edition 2012, Cochran.Mayer.Cayer.McKenzie.Peck, Instructor Manual

American Public Policy; An Introduction, 10th Edition 2012, Cochran.Mayer.Cayer.McKenzie.Peck, Test Bank

An Introduction to Mathematical Statistics and Its Applications, 5th Edition 2012, Larsen.Marx, Solutions Manual

An Invitation to Health; Choosing to Change_Brief Edition, 7th Edition 2012, Dianne Hales, Instructor Manual

An Invitation to Health; Choosing to Change_Brief Edition, 7th Edition 2012, Dianne Hales, Test Bank

Analysis for Financial Management, 9th Edition, Higgins, Solutions Manual

Analyzing Politics, 2nd Edition, Shepsle, Solutions Manual

Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions; An Interactive Journey, 2nd Edition, Colbert.Ankney.Lee, Instructor Manual

Anatomy & Physiology for Health Professions; An Interactive Journey, 2nd Edition, Colbert.Ankney.Lee, Test Bank

Anatomy & Physiology; The Unity of Form and Function, 6th Edition 2012, Saladin, Test Bank

Applied Basic Mathematics, 2nd Edition 2012, Clark.Brechner, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Applied Basic Mathematics, 2nd Edition 2012, Clark.Brechner, Test Bank

Applied Business Ethics; A Skills-Based Approach, 1st Edition 2012, Dean Bredeson, Instructor Manual

Applied Calculus For Business_Economics_and the Social and Life Sciences_Expanded, 10th Edition, Hoffmann.Bradley, Solutions Manual

Applied Calculus For Business_Economics_and the Social and Life Sciences_Expanded, 10th Edition, Hoffmann.Bradley, Test Bank

Applied Statistics for Public and Nonprofit Administration, 8th Edition 2012, Meier.Brudney.Bohte, Instructor Manual

Applying Career Development Theory to Counseling, 5th Edition, Sharf, Instructor Manual

Applying Career Development Theory to Counseling, 5th Edition, Sharf, Test Bank

ARCHAEOLOGY; Theories_Methods and Practice, 5th Edition, Renfrew.Bahn, Instructor Manual

ARCHAEOLOGY; Theories_Methods and Practice, 5th Edition, Renfrew.Bahn, Test Bank

Art and Science of Leadership, 6th Edition 2012, Afsaneh Nahavandi, Instructor Manual

Art and Science of Leadership, 6th Edition 2012, Afsaneh Nahavandi, Test Bank

Art History_Combined Volume, 4th Edition 2011, Stokstad.Cothren, Instructor Manual

Art History_Combined Volume, 4th Edition 2011, Stokstad.Cothren, Test Bank

Art History_Volume 1, 4th Edition 2011, Stokstad.Cothren, Instructor Manual

Art History_Volume 1, 4th Edition 2011, Stokstad.Cothren, Test Bank

Articulate Voice; An Introduction to Voice and Diction, 4th Edition, Wells, Instructor Manual

Articulate Voice; An Introduction to Voice and Diction, 4th Edition, Wells, Test Bank

Astronomy; Journey to Cosmic Frontier, 6th Edition 2011, Fix, Test Bank

Auditing and Assurance Services, 14th Edition 2012, Arens.Elder.Beasley, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Back to the Lake; A Reader for Writers, 1st Edition, Thomas Cooley, Instructor Manual

Basic Engineering Circuit Analysis, 10th Edition, Irwin.Nelms, Solutions Manual

Basic Finance; An Introduction to Financial Institutions_Investments and Management, 10th Edition 2012, Mayo, Instructor Manual

Basic Finance; An Introduction to Financial Institutions_Investments and Management, 10th Edition 2012, Mayo, Test Bank

Basic Marketing Research with Excel, 3rd Edition 2012, Burns.Bush, Instructor Manual

Basic Marketing Research with Excel, 3rd Edition 2012, Burns.Bush, Test Bank

Basic Psychopharmacology for Counselors and Psychotherapists, 2nd Edition 2012, Sinacola.Peters-Strickland, Instructor Manual

Basic Psychopharmacology for Counselors and Psychotherapists, 2nd Edition 2012, Sinacola.Peters-Strickland, Test Bank

Basics of Research Methods for Criminal Justice and Criminology, 3rd Edition 2012, Maxfield.Babbie, Instructor Manual

Basics of Research Methods for Criminal Justice and Criminology, 3rd Edition 2012, Maxfield.Babbie, Test Bank

Basics of Web Design; HTML5 & CSS3, 1st Edition 2012, Terry Felke-Morris, Solutions Manual

Basics of Web Design; HTML5 & CSS3, 1st Edition 2012, Terry Felke-Morris, Test Bank

BCOM, 3rd Edition 2012, Lehman.DuFrene, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

BCOM, 3rd Edition 2012, Lehman.DuFrene, Test Bank

Becoming a Critical Thinker, 7th Edition 2012, Vincent Ryan Ruggiero, Instructor Manual

Beginning Algebra, 11th Edition 2012, Lial.Hornsby.McGinnis, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

Beginning Algebra, 11th Edition 2012, Lial.Hornsby.McGinnis, Test Bank

Beginning and Intermediate Algebra, 5th Edition 2012, Lial.Hornsby.McGinnis, Instructor Manual

Beginning and Intermediate Algebra, 5th Edition 2012, Lial.Hornsby.McGinnis, Test Bank

Behavior in Organizations, 10th Edition, Jerald Greenberg, Instructor Manual

Behavior in Organizations, 10th Edition, Jerald Greenberg, Test Bank

Behavior Management; A Practical Approach for Educators, 10th Edition 2012, Shea.Bauer, Instructor Manual

Behavior Management; A Practical Approach for Educators, 10th Edition 2012, Shea.Bauer, Test Bank

Behavior Management; Positive Applications for Teachers, 6th Edition 2012, Zirpoli, Instructor Manual

Behavior Management; Positive Applications for Teachers, 6th Edition 2012, Zirpoli, Test Bank

Better Business, 2nd Edition 2012, Solomon.Poatsy.Martin, Instructor Manual

Better Business, 2nd Edition 2012, Solomon.Poatsy.Martin, Test Bank

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82. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 31 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-31 11:31:45 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410ad0aab3c04b7d14e71@google.com>
Source record: 3649
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS contact planned with technical college in Poland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bEtrMc_ifAg/ariss_event_0402.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Saturday February 4, 2012 at approximately 12.41 UTC, an educational ARISS contact is planned with the Polytechnic school in Walbrzych, Poland. Amateur radio station W6SRJ, located in California, will operate the contact

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Working the FM-Sat SO-50

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Bui94tfxfuw/working_the_fm_sat_so50.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Simon 2E0HTS has released a video that shows him making contacts via the amateur radio satellite SO-50

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HAMNET audio report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tVXaXjduarQ/hamnet_2901.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The draft South African Weather Service Amendment Bill, which has been widely discussed over the past two weeks or so, had its public hearing in Cape Town on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. Listen to this audio report from Francois Botha – ZS6BUU

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Ofcom: GPS Jamming Notice

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6potwY9EHQ0/gps_jamming_notice.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom advises that GPS jamming exercises will take place around RAF Spadeadam in Cumbria between 9th and 20th April, 2012 inclusive (weekdays only)

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Vega satellite deployments

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DnYXBoEdJ0g/vega_satellite_deployments.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Vega is presently scheduled to launch at 0900 UT on Thursday, February 9,
with eight student-built amateur radio satellites

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54th JOTA report online

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0e7UF2hlcds/54th_jota_report_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The report of the 54th Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) held October 15-16, 2011
is now available

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Annobon Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7lRT06-I_zw/annobon_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Operators Elmo EA5BYP and Javier EA5KM will be active from Annobon Island
(AF-039) and Bioko Island (AF-010, DXCC - Equatorial Guinea) using the
callsigns 3C0E and 3C6A, respectively

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Malpelo Island DXpedition log problems

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jC5jWE1_f5s/malpelo_island_dxpedition_logs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Op A logs from the top of the mountain arrive late and some QSOs therefore
may not be in the current online log until the next upload. Overall, logs
are uploaded about once a day

83. Nebraska Hams Featured in the February 2012 QST

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-31 15:28:03 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120131135209.5231020436@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3650
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

In my Section News for January, I mentioned the good work Dar Piatt, W9HCZ, is doing with the Midwest Homebrew and QRP Group. I am proud to recognize that Dar was featured in the latest QST for his participation in the ARRL Teacher's Institute on Wireless Technology. A major part of the text is devoted to his comments about the Institute. You will find the article on page 78 of the February 2012 QST. The Midwest Homebrew and QRP Group's website is: http://www.hbqrp.org.

If you turn to page 62 in the same issue, you will see a review of the HamGadgets PicoKeyer-Plus. This tiny keyer is one of the kits sold by Hamgadgets which is an Omaha company belonging to Dale Botkin, N0XAS. Dale has some great, easy to build and operate products. Please take a look at the review in QST and at Dale's website: http://hamgadgets.com.

Thanks to Dar and Dale for representing the Nebraska ham radio community so well!

73, Art K0AIZ

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84. W1AW Webcast Tour

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-01-31 16:00:10 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120131153407.9DC2020341@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3701
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

I received the following from Steve Ewald, WV1X, Supervisor of the Field Organization Team:

On Sunday, February 12th at 5 p.m. Eastern time, ARRL and Al Petrunti of The New Day Group will webcast a LIVE tour of W1AW – the ARRL flagship station. Amateurs around the country (and the world) will be able to watch it at http://www.awecast.tv/channels/arrl/ .

“Hams around the world know of W1AW and thousands have made contacts with this impressive station, but most never get to see it,” said Allen Pitts, W1AGP, who is producing the event. “Thanks to Al Petrunti’s group, we hope that folks enjoy seeing what’s at the other end of the signals.”

You will be there as Petrunti, KA1TCH, local weatherman Geoff Fox, K1GF, and others are given a tour by Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q. As in all live broadcasts, you never know just what might happen. We invite you to join us. Petrunti, KA1TCH, also created the video about HR-607 for ARRL.

You can learn more about W1AW at http://www.arrl.org/w1aw and about the New Day Group at http://www.NewDayHD.com .

73,

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85. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 23 - 29 January 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-01 02:30:11 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120201023002.576D233C94@panix2.panix.com>
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jan 31 2314 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
23 - 29 January 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels. Region 1402 (N28,
L=214, class/area=Eko/630 on 17 January) produced a long duration
M8/2b flare at 23/0359 UTC. Multiple radio emissions from 25 MHz to
15.4 GHz, including a 5100 sfu Tenflare, and a Type IV sweep were
also observed. Finally, an approximately 1600 km/s asymmetric
full-halo coronal mass ejection (CME) was seen in SOHO/LASCO C2
imagery beginning at 23/0412 UTC. Activity returned to low levels as
Region 1402 made its way across the visible solar disk producing
occasional low to mid level C-class flares. On 27 January, Region
1402 moved to N29W71 before producing an X1/1f flare at 27/1837 UTC.
Radio phenomena, including a Type II (1523 km/s) and a Type IV radio
sweep with an 810 sfu Tenflare accompanied this flare. An asymmetric
halo CME was later observed in LASCO C2 coronagraph imagery with an
estimated plane-of-sky speed near 2000 km/s. Region 1402 rotated off
the west limb on 28 January. Region 1402&rsquo;s counterpart, Region
1401 (N18, L=213, class/area=Eki/540 on 19 January) was the second
largest and most magnetically complex (beta-gamma) region on the
disk during the period. Region 1401 was only responsible for a
couple of low level C-class flares during the period. Region 1401
decayed to spotless plage on 26 January.

Energetic proton flux levels reached strong levels during the period
as two proton events energized the Earth&#39;s magnetosphere. The
first event began minutes after the M8/2b flare on 23 January. The
10 MeV proton flux crossed the 10 pfu event threshold at 23/0530
UTC. The 10 MeV protons increased steadily to a peak flux of 6310
pfu at 24/1530 UTC, following the arrival of the interplanetary
shock. This 10 MeV proton event ended at 27/1025 UTC when the
enhancement dropped below the 10 pfu level. This 10 MeV proton event
was the largest enhancement since Oct 29, 2003 (29,526 pfu) and the
11th largest since January, 1975. Also with this event, the 100 MeV
proton flux exceeded the 1 pfu threshold. The 100 MeV flux began at
23/0445 UTC, increased to a peak of 2 pfu at 23/0750 UTC, then
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steadily declined until it dropped below the 1 pfu threshold at 23/2050 UTC. The second event began on 27 January, after the X1.7/1f flare. The 10 MeV proton flux crossed the 10 pfu event threshold at 27/1905 UTC. The 10 MeV protons increased steadily to a peak flux of 796 pfu at 28/0205 UTC. The 10 MeV proton event was still in progress at the time of this report. The associated 100 MeV event began at 27/1900 UTC, reached a maximum of 11 pfu at 27/2140 UTC and ended on 28/2120 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit began at background levels, but increased to moderate levels late on 23 January. Values increased to high levels on 27-28 January, before decreasing to moderate levels through the end of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels at mid-latitudes and briefly reached severe storm conditions at high latitudes. The magnetic field was mostly quiet on 23 January with an isolated minor storm observed at high latitudes from waning effects from a CME. On 24-25 January, activity increased to isolated minor storms at low latitudes and severe storms at high latitudes, due to the arrival of a CME, associated with the 23 January M8/2b flare. An interplanetary shock was observed at the ACE spacecraft at 24/1431 UTC followed by a 37 nT increase in total field, as measured by the ACE spacecraft, at 24/1439 UTC. A corresponding sudden impulse was observed in the Boulder magnetometer with a 22 nT deviation at 24/1504 UTC. Solar wind speed, as measured by the SOHO spacecraft, was approximately 750 km/s at the time of the shock passage before decreasing to approximately 650 km/s. The geomagnetic field decreased to predominantly quiet levels for the remainder of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
01 February - 27 February 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels from 01-09 February until old Regions 1401 and 1402 are due to return. Solar activity is expected to increase to low levels with a chance for M-class flares and a slight chance for X-class flares for the remainder of the period.

The greater than 10 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to remain elevated from 01-02 February but below the 10 pfu threshold values. A return to background levels is expected from 03-08 February. On 09 February, old Regions 1401 and 1402 are due to return to the visible disk. From 09 February until the end of the forecast period, there will be a slight chance for a proton event.

The greater than 2 MeV electrons at geosynchronous orbit are expected to be at normal to moderate levels for the entire forecast period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be at predominantly quiet
levels for the entire period. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected
on days 03-04 February, 09 February, 12 February, and 23 February.
This increased activity can be attributed to multiple, recurrent
coronal hole, high speed wind streams.

86. The ARRL Contest Update for February 1, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-01 05:02:03 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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- LOTW to Support CQ Operating Awards
- 75 Years in Ham Radio by W5DM
- It's a Bird, It's a Plane, It's a Balloon!
- 2011 ARRL CW Sweepstakes - Initial Results
- Radial Calculator by G4FGQ
- What's on the Back Burner?
- How It's Done

NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

February is jam-packed with contests. If you feel up to the pressure,
try one of the North American Sprints. Digital operators will be
punching the keyboard in CQ WPX or XE RTTY contests. If you have some
"big iron" (old tube radios) holding down the table, try the Classic
Exchange's phone weekend.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue

BUSTED QSOS

Occasional problems with URLs have been traced to the web editor tool
adding "%20" to URLs at the end of a line of text. Should a URL seem to
be non-functional, trying removing those characters and try again.
(Thanks, Bob N6TV)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

February 4-5
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- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Feb 3)
- YLISSB QSO Party--CW
- EPC WW PSK Contest
- Vermont QSO Party
- Ten-Ten Winter Phone QSO Party--Phone
- Black Sea Cup International
- FYBO Winter QRP Field Day
- Minnesota QSO Party
- Straight Key Party
- British Columbia QSO Party
- Delaware QSO Party
- XE Int'l RTTY Contest
- North American Sprint--CW

February 11-12

- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Feb 7)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Feb 8)
- YL-OM Contest (Feb 10)
- CQ WW RTTY WPX
- Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW
- Dutch PACC Contest
- Louisiana QSO Party-
- OMISS QSO Party--Phone
- New Hampshire QSO Party
- FISTS CW Winter Sprint
- RSGB - First 1.8 MHz Contest
- North American Sprint--Phone
- Classic Exchange--Phone
- Milwaukee FM Simplex Contest--Phone
- Maine FM Simplex Challenge--Phone

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Making a lot of award-chasing contesters happy, the ARRL's Logbook of the World <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world> program (LOTW) will soon support CQ-sponsored operating awards. Announced on January 24th by ARRL COO Harold Kramer WJ1B and CQ Communications President Dick Ross K2MGA, the first award to be supported will be CQ WPX with a target date of April 1st, 2012. (No joke!) Standard LOTW and CQ award fees will still apply. As ARRL CEO Dave Sumner K1ZZ observes, "LoTW has significantly increased interest and participation in the ARRL's DXCC, Worked All States and VUCC awards programs. We anticipate a similarly positive response to the addition of the CQ WPX award. Amateurs will be able to spend more time operating and less time chasing QSL cards." Amen to that!

Having made a big splash across the pond with high-performance VHF+ antennas, the British company InnovAntennas <http://www.innovantennas.com/> has appointed its first American dealer - Hamilton, Ohio's R&L Electronics <http://www.randl.com/>. Featured in European journals such as DUBUS, American "early adopter" hams began trying designer Justin Johnson G0KSC's LFA (Loop Fed Array) and OP-DES

(Opposing Phase - Driven Element System) Yagis. InnovAntennas' American partner is well-known contester Bill Hein AA7XT.

Dinner reservations and Tickets are now available for the 23rd Annual Dayton TopBand Dinner <http://topbanddinner.com/> to be held on Friday evening, May 18, 2012 at the Crowne Plaza hotel in downtown Dayton, Ohio. Frank Donovan, W3LPL will be the main speaker. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

More HF activity from Thailand is expected soon, at least partially due to the effective emergency search and rescue communications provided by Thai hams during the recent severe floods in that country. According to Fred K3ZO, "Effective immediately Thai authorities have announced that any Thai ham holding a US General Class or Extra Class license can apply to have their Thai license upgraded to Thai Intermediate Class which means they will have HF privileges. Thai authorities have also granted permission for the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand to conduct a Thai Intermediate Class examination on May 19. This will be the first time in nine years that this examination has been offered. The Intermediate Class license affords HF privileges with 200 watts power." This is good news to DXers and contesters - a tip of the cap to the Thai hams for an emergency communications job well done!

The Contest Update has on occasion mentioned articles in High-Frequency Electronics, edited by contest aficionado Gary K9AY. Well, Gary has a new magazine, RF Technology International <http://www.rfti.com/>. The inaugural Jan 2012 issue features include an article on HF aviation receivers and a tutorial on the Magic Tee hybrid combiner/divider which, by sheer coincidence, Gary uses for his receiving antenna system at home. Good stuff!

Stitching Morse code into the fabric of our lives has moved beyond the metaphorical and described in this how-to article <http://yarnover.me/2012/01/13/morse-code-cowl-free-knitting-pattern/> on knitting. (Thanks, Mark N5OT)

If you want to know where that tower base hole would emerge if you kept right on digging, now you can find out at Tunnel to the Other Side of the Earth <http://www.freemaptools.com/tunnel-to-other-side-of-the-earth.htm>. I think I'll need a wet suit. (Thanks, Steve WB8IMY)

Doug KR2Q found out that the version of the Firefox add-on Propfire at the URL given in the last issue only worked with Firefox version 3. Fortunately, he also discovered an updated version <https://addons.mozilla.org/firefox/1253/> that works with the current revisions of Firefox.

This week's handy map gadget was contributed by Bob N6TV who located this interactive topo map <http://bmproto.esri.com/WorldTopoMap/WorldTopographicMap.html> that offers features useful to hams scouting out QTHs and antenna locations. Not only does the map tell you the elevation, it tells you the slope

angle and slope direction of US locations, as well.

Sad news came last week of the death of Aruba contest operator and host, Joop P43JB. Frequent Aruba operator Andy AE6Y recalls, "Joop and Yvonne have been extremely hospitable to visiting hams on Aruba. I and others using the P40L-P49Y station would get together with them on every trip, and have fond memories of drinking Heinekens and Balashis (Aruban beer) on his outdoor patio. There are some pix of Joop (and his key collection and very complex shack) on our website <http://arubaqth.com/social.html>. He will be greatly missed." (Thanks also to Carl AI6V/P40V)

Web Site of the Week - Paul W5DM touched a lot of ham radio heartstrings recently with his post on the TopBand reflector <http://lists.contesting.com/archives/html/Topband/2012-01/msg00186.html> recounting his 75 years of ham radio experience. It makes for great reading - what will we be writing in our memoirs 75 years from now?

WORD TO THE WISE

Attenuation - often neglected, the attenuator button can be your receiver's best friend when a band full of gigantic signals is proving too much to handle. Attention to receiver gain pays big dividends in listening comfort and reducing operator fatigue.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

This recent video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mooIW92f9hA> of Erin AK4JG's balloon launch and APRS tracking has garnered quite a bit of attention as a good example of the Do-It-Yourself aspects of Amateur Radio. Ballooning is really taking off as a popular ham radio hybrid for students and science-oriented groups. (Thanks, Allen W1AGP)

The position of the Sun in the sky moves around with the seasons and this Astronomy Picture of the Day <http://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap120121.html> shows the result of a year's worth of photography - in a single shot!

Would you wait for a traffic light at -51 C&#65533;? Watch this video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Pi9yQQVQeA> to see these residents of Yakutsk, Siberia take the frigid temperatures in stride. (Thanks, Doug K1DG)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Initial results for the 2011 ARRL CW Sweepstakes are now live on the ARRL Contest Branch website <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. SSB preliminary results are not far behind. Remember, this article is the "just-the-facts-ma'am" numbers. The searchable database, log checking reports and the Expanded Results article will be online in April. Certificates for the 2011 ARRL DX CW hit the mail today and the Phone contest's certificates and plaques will follow shortly. (Thanks, Sean

KX9X)

2009 ARI International DX Contest results
<http://www.ari.it/images/stories/hf/ARIDX-2009-DX-RESULTS.pdf?> are
now available on the ARI web site <http://www.ari.it/> in the HF >
Contest > Risultati section. (Thanks, ARI HF Contest Manager, Bob
I2WIJ)

Final results of the Portugal Day Contest 2011
<http://www.rep.pt/portugal_day_contest/results2011.html> were uploaded
to the web. The sponsors remind everyone that the rules for the contest
have changed to a 24-hour period. (Thanks, Filipe CT1ILT / CR6K)

OPERATING TIP

Don't forget to turn OFF or clear the RIT after a QSO - or you'll be
off frequency for the next one and wondering why you don't get through
so quickly! Some logging programs allow you to command the radio to do
that at the end of the QSO but it's a good habit to develop on your
own. (Thanks, Tom W8TK)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

The late G4FGQ created a number of useful calculator utility programs
<http://www.dxzone.com/cgi-bin/dir/jump2.cgi?ID=14293> such as this
radial calculator <http://www.zerobeat.net/G4FGQ/> that includes the
conductivity of the soil. With it you can begin to answer the question,
"How many ground mounted radials do I need and how long do they need to
be?" All such calculators are a model and probably deviate from an
exact simulation but you can get an idea of what might work. Another
tack is to vary the radial length but keep the number of radials
constant. (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

Fork-lift pallets are cheap, sturdy, and widely available - how
about making some furniture out of them? Like maybe an operating desk
<http://www.instructables.com/id/Pallet-desk/> as shown in this
Instructables article!

Chris N7ZWY has released a paper on his KISS Mixer
<http://www.home.earthlink.net/%7Echristrask/Paper022.html> that
includes a PCB layout for the mixer and an LO driver circuit. The paper
goes into quite a bit of detail including comparisons to other mixer
designs.

In the quest for connector tightening tools, Greg W8WWV came up with
this screwdriver-style tool
<http://www.homedepot.com/h_d1/N-5yc1v/R-100598647/h_d2/ProductDisplay?selectedCatgry=SEAR
CH+ALL&jspStoreDir=hdus&catalogId=10053&navFlow=3&keyword=35-046&Ntpc=1&langId=-1&Nu=P_PAR
ENT_ID&storeId=10051&Ntpr=1&ddkey=Search>
for type F and BNC connectors via the Home Depot stores. If the URL
proves too long for your browser, search for Ideal 35-046.

Speaking of tools...when we go to multiops or Field Days or work parties, it's easy to lose track of your tools. To avoid tool trauma, here's a Boing Boing article with some ideas for marking your tools <http://boingboing.net/2012/01/20/how-to-mark-your-tools-for-ea.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+boingboing%2FiBag+%28Boing+Boing%29> for easy identification. (Thanks, Zhu Zhu Xiao)

Randy AB9GO reminds us to be extremely cautious when using a voltmeter to measure high voltages. Be SURE the meter is adequately. Older meters in particular are often unsafe - such as the popular Simpson 260 that had a 5 kV range. Modern meters such as the Fluke 87 series are rated for 600V category IV and 1000V category III environments, can withstand high voltage transients and are constructed to protect the user against arc flash. Even with all the protection, remember that power supply capacitors store a lot of energy that can do significant damage.

Here's a tip for solder tips from Instructables <instructables.com> that reminds us inexpensive brass kitchen scrubbing pads can be used instead of expensive specialized solder tip cleaners; stick one in a container and dab away!

Ian G3NRW has just spruced up his AIM4170 antenna analyzer resources <http://homepage.ntlworld.com/wadei/aim4170.htm> web page including a recent RadCom article that shows how to set up custom scanning, perform time-domain reflectometry (TDR) measurements and operate it via a WiFi connection.

Magazine Roundup

- elektor magazine <http://www.elektor.com/> for February 2012 contains a construction project for the Pico-C 'small-C' capacitance meter. It's specially designed to measure capacitance below 10 pF such as values used in VHF and UHF circuits or encountered in measuring leakage at HF. Elektor may be available on newsstands or in the library.
- Nuts and Volts <http://www.nutsvolts.com/> columnist George Steber's article "The Radio Whisperer" in the January 2012 issue gives a good account of propagation beacon mode WSPR and includes the design of a simple receiver.
- The March 2012 issue of Sky and Telescope <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/> features two solar telescopes for observing "an active Sun" and techniques for tracking and photographing the ISS.
- In the Winter 2012 edition of QRP Quarterly <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/7675/118/>, Mike WA8MCQ reminds us that power attenuators are often asymmetrical, meaning that the power rating is different for the input versus the output. Gary K9AY also discusses finding the reason for unexpected behavior by antennas.
- Ed KE4ZNU's column on RFI Bypassing in Circuit Cellar <http://www.circuitcellar.com/> for February 2012 is a close-up look at the behavior of bypass capacitors of various styles at various frequencies. Aimed at electronic design technicians and engineers, the article shows the effect of packaging very clearly and you might be surprised by the behavior of even SMT capacitors!

If you need small waterproof cases for storage, making outdoor connections, go kits, foxes for hunting, and so forth, David K1TTT recommends bulk purchases of various surplus containers from Cheaper Than Dirt. <http://www.cheaperthandirt.com/ItemListing.aspx?catid=290>

Technical Web Site of the Week - Analog Dialogue's "Back Burner <http://www.analog.com/library/analogDialogue/back_burner.html>" section has a lot of good design articles, such as the recent entries on FSK/PSK modulators that use DDS to perform zero-crossing switching and another on using DC-DC step-up and step-down regulators effectively.

==> CONVERSATION

How It's Done

When I was getting my start in DX contesting there was this guy out in Hawaii who was always running enormous pileups at huge rates. Every Friday night, the little pistols and medium guns stood in line on 20 meters and waited their turn to work Katashi Nose, KH6IJ. Beams west, we listened in rapt attention as he picked out full calls one after another and put them in the log. It just wasn't a DX contest until he had you on his dupe sheet.

Thus it was fun to see a February 1968 article by Katashi, long a Silent Key, reprinted from 73 magazine <http://www.archive.org/details/73-magazine> in the latest issue of the Potomac Valley Radio Club newsletter <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/feb12.pdf>. In the article, "Tips for the CW Contester and DXer", he recounts how he came to be a potent force from a 5000-square-foot lot with tribanders and wires. While the technology may have changed, the game is very much the same as in these few bits of wisdom from the article.

"Would you care to compete in the Indianapolis Classic in your family car? Get the best there is that you can afford, either homebuilt or commercial made. The qualities to look for in a CW receiver are controllable selectivity, fast recovery and freedom from front-end overloading." I'd say that's still pretty good advice!

"One must keep in condition to be able to work a successful contest. Be able to copy 50 words per minute in your head and to take down 35 words per minute solid." This is a good goal for any aspiring Top Gun and there is no substitute for practice. If you have to think about it, you're already behind! Code should be like conversational speech. Regardless of mode, hone your technique until it becomes second-nature.

"Know when special openings are going to take place and be there with proper schedules. Special openings sometimes are of only a few minutes duration. For instance you can work that W1 on 160 meters just as the sun is rising on the East Coast. He will peak up and rise out of the noise level and disappear again only once." There are "special openings" on all of the bands, too, not just the low bands - study long path and skew path and the "midnight specials".

"Don't fold up in the face of competition, the opposition can always blow up a power transformer or have a social engagement..." Today, we call this "keeping your butt in the chair" and there is still no substitute for it, even with automation running half the show.

Here's one tip that probably has seen its day - "Hang on to that ballpoint pen at all times and don't lay it down. Learn to send on the bug while holding the pen in the same hand. The other hand can be arranging papers or adjusting controls while you are sending. Can you imagine picking up a pen and laying it down 8000 times which is what one would do in the course of a good hot contest." The reminder to be efficient in your operating details is as important as ever, though.

I've only touched a few of the treats KH6IJ dished out in that article. It's worth a read for all of us from the littlest of pistols to the topmost of guns. As he sagely observes (ladies, he would have surely included you today), "Traffic handling, ragchewing, net operation, RTTY, VHF, have been tried but there is nothing like a good hot DX contest to test men and equipment." There are a few of those "hot DX contests" on the calendar - mahalo, Katashi - see you there!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

1 February through 14 February 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

North American Sprint--CW, from Feb 5, 0000Z to Feb 5, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

North American Sprint--Phone, from Feb 12, 0000Z to Feb 12, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

School Club Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 13, 1300Z to Feb 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T), Class, S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Feb 3, 0200Z to Feb 3, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

YLISSB QSO Party--CW, from Feb 4, 0000Z to Feb 5, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), ISSB number. Logs due: Mar 18. Rules <http://www.ylsystem.org/>

EPC WW PSK Contest--Digital, from Feb 4, 0000Z to Feb 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.epcwwdx.srars.org/index.php/contest-rules.html>

Vermont QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 4, 0000Z to Feb 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RS(T) and VT county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ranv.org/>

Ten-Ten Winter Phone QSO Party--Phone, from Feb 4, 0001Z to Feb 5, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call sign, name, QTH, 10-10 number. Logs due: Feb 20. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

Black Sea Cup International--Phone,CW, from Feb 4, 1200Z to Feb 5, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and org'n ID, member nr or ITU zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.bscc.ucoz.ru/>

FYBO Winter QRP Field Day--Phone,CW, from Feb 4, 1400Z to Feb 4, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, name, power, temp in deg F. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.azscqrpions.com/>

Minnesota QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 4, 1400Z to Feb 4, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 1.850, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; SSB 1.870, 3.850, 7.250, 14.270, 21.350, 28.450. Exchange: Name and MN county or S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 15. Rules <http://www.w0aa.org/>

Straight Key Party--CW, from Feb 4, 1600Z to Feb 4, 1900Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5,7. Exchange: RST, serial, category, name, age. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules <http://www.agcw.de/>

British Columbia QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 4, 1600Z to Feb 5, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW 1.815, 3.535, 7.035, 14.035, 21.035, 28.305; SSB 1.845, 3.85, 7.23, 14.25, 21.3, 28.4; Dig per band plan. Exchange: RST and BC district or S/P/Territory or DX. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://orcadxcc.org/>

Delaware QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 4, 1700Z to Feb 5, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 1.825, 3.55, 7.05, 14.05, 21.05, 28.05, 50.95; SSB 1.86, 3.96, 7.26, 14.26, 21.36, 28.36, 50.135; Digital per band plan. Exchange: RS(T) and DE county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fsarc.org/>

XE Int'l RTTY Contest--Digital, from Feb 4, 1800Z to Feb 5, 1759Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and XE state/district or serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fmre.org.mx/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Feb 7, 0200Z to Feb 7, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Feb 8, 1100Z, Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member

number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules
<http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

YL-OM Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 10, 1400Z to Feb 12, 0200Z.
Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Call sign, RST, serial and S/P/C. Logs
due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ylrl.org/>

CQ WW RTTY WPX--Digital, from Feb 11, 0000Z to Feb 12, 2400Z. Bands
(MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Mar 1. Rules
<http://www.cqwpxrtty.com/>

Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW, from Feb 11, 1100Z to Feb 11, 1300Z. Bands
(MHz): 7,14. Exchange: RST, serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules
<http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

Dutch PACC Contest--Phone,CW, from Feb 11, 1200Z to Feb 12, 1200Z.
Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and Dutch province or serial. Logs
due: Mar 14. Rules <http://www.dutchpacc.com/>

Louisiana QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 11, 1500Z to Feb 12,
0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW 1.84, 3.54, 7.04, 14.04,
21.04, 28.04; Phone 1.865, 3.865, 7.255, 14.255, 21.365, 28.465; VHF
50.095, 50.135,144.05,144.21. Exchange: Call sign, RS(T), LA parish or
S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 15. Rules <http://laqso.w5yl.org/>

OMISS QSO Party--Phone, from Feb 11, 1500Z to Feb 12, 1500Z. Bands
(MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS, S/P/C and OMISS nr or "DX". Logs due: Mar
30. Rules <http://www.omiss.info/>

New Hampshire QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 11, 1600Z to Feb
12, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW - 1.815 and band edge +
45kHz; Phone - 1.875, 3.935, 3.950, 7.235, 14.280, 21.380, 28.390.
Exchange: RS(T) and NH county or S/P or "DX". Logs due: Mar 31. Rules
<http://www.w1wqm.org/>

FISTS CW Winter Sprint--CW, from Feb 11, 1700Z to Feb 11, 2100Z. Bands
(MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, first name, FISTS nr or power.
Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fists.org/>

RSGB - First 1.8 MHz Contest--Phone,CW, from Feb 11, 2100Z to Feb 12,
0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, serial, UK district. Logs due:
Feb 28. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>

Classic Exchange--Phone, from Feb 12, 1400Z to Feb 13, 0800Z. Bands
(MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: AM--1.890, 3.880, 7.160, 7.290,
14.286, 21.420, 29.000, 50.400, 144.300; SSB--1.885, 3.870, 7.280,
14.270, 21.370, 28.390, 50.125, 144.200. Exchange: RST, QTH, model of
rcvr and xmtr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules
<http://www.classicexchange.org/>

PODXS Valentine Sprint--Digital, from Feb 14, 8 PM to Feb 15, 2 AM.
Bands (MHz): 1.8-7. Frequencies: 1.807, 3.580, 7.070/7.035 EU/7.028 JA.
Exchange: Name, OM or YL, S/P/C. Logs due: Feb 28. Rules
<http://www.podxs070.com/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

School Club Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 13, 1300Z to Feb 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T), Class, S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>

Vermont QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 4, 0000Z to Feb 5, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Multiple operating periods. Exchange: RS(T) and VT county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ranv.org/>

Minnesota QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 4, 1400Z to Feb 4, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 1.850, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; SSB 1.870, 3.850, 7.250, 14.270, 21.350, 28.450. Exchange: Name and MN county or S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 15. Rules <http://www.w0aa.org/>

Delaware QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Feb 4, 1700Z to Feb 5, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 1.825, 3.55, 7.05, 14.05, 21.05, 28.05, 50.95; SSB 1.86, 3.96, 7.26, 14.26, 21.36, 28.36, 50.135; Digital per band plan. Exchange: RS(T) and DE county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fsarc.org/>

Classic Exchange--Phone, from Feb 12, 1400Z to Feb 13, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: AM--1.890, 3.880, 7.160, 7.290, 14.286, 21.420, 29.000, 50.400, 144.300; SSB--1.885, 3.870, 7.280, 14.270, 21.370, 28.390, 50.125, 144.200. Exchange: RST, QTH, model of rcvr and xmtr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

Milwaukee FM Simplex Contest--Phone, from Feb 12, 1900Z to Feb 12, 2130Z. Bands (MHz): 50-440. Exchange: Call sign and grid square. Logs due: Mar 12. Rules <http://www.w9rh.org/>

Maine FM Simplex Challenge--Phone, from Feb 12, 1900Z to Feb 12, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 144. Frequencies: FM simplex frequencies only. Exchange: Call sign, power, city name. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/ws1sm/contest.html>

==> LOG DUE DATES

1 February through 14 February 2012

- February 1 - Locust QSO Party <http://www.k6vva.com/lqp/LQP55_2012_Rules.pdf>
- February 4 - North American QSO Party, SSB <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>
- February 7 - Kid's Day Contest <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>
- February 7 - EUCW 160m Contest <http://www.agcw.de/eucw/eu160.html>
- February 7 - ARRL RTTY Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup>
- February 12 - QRP ARCI Fireside SSB Sprint <http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8391/118/>
- February 13 - UBA DX Contest, SSB <http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/uba-dx-contest-rules>

- February 14 - WW PMC Contest
<http://www.s59dcd.si/english/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=72&Itemid=114>
- February 14 - MI QRP January CW Contest
<http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>
- February 14 - UK DX Contest, RTTY
<http://www.ukdx.srars.org/ukdxc.pdf>

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87. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-01 07:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1328079601@panix.com>
Source record: 3704
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

88. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 01 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-01 11:05:56 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410ad65b61c04b7e50f2c@google.com>
Source record: 3705
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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RSGB PLA/PLT Devices Announcement

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ePooR4Kejao/rsgb_pla_plt_devices_announcement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB have issued an important announcement concerning PLA/PLT devices
and the applicable Harmonised EMC Standard from October 1, 2011

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Student High-Voltage Satellite Horyu-2

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PaB_dH32f9E/horyu_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The student built amateur radio microsatellite, Horyu-2, featuring a High
Voltage (300v) Solar Array experiment and an onboard camera is planned to
launch in February

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Amateur Radio in The Verge

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/srP1WbpoHH8/amateur_radio_in_the_verge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A report in The Verge on an interview given by Twitter CEO Dick Costolo
mentions amateur radio

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HamSatDroid App

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wVgK0vfXUnU/hamsatdroid_app.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dave G4DPZ brings news of a new version of the free HamSatDroid app now
available on the Android Market

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Korean QRP SOTA Amateur Radio operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4begl3O9cGw/korean_qrp_sota_amateur_rad

io_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A video from Korea shows radio amateurs operating QRP from a snow covered
summit at a ski resort

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Limited future activity from Jan Mayen Island

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gkmD56jiS-8/jan_mayen_activity.htm?utm_
source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Recently the Norwegian government declared most of Jan Mayen a Nature
Reserve and banned landings and camping on most of the island

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Ham radio: Last means of communications in a disaster

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DblWtNE9MlU/ham_radio_last_means_of_com
munications_in_a_disaster.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

KVAL TV News reports that volunteer ham radio operators are the last line
of defense for the county’s communication network

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Video - Vega's First Launch Campaign

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NcnCxuGTwxo/vegas_first_launch_campaign
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A time-lapse video is available of the first Vega launch campaign that
began November 7, 2011 at the ESA Spaceport in Kourou

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Antarctic Activity Week Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9wNtckUBIcM/ses_tm9aaw.htm?utm_source=f
eedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for special event station TM9AAW to be on the air between February
10-26th. Activity is to celebrate the 9th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW)

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Contest University 2012 Webinar

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KVNhB0vYVC4/contest_university_2012_web
inar.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim Duffy, K3LR, will present a look at Contest University (CTU) 2012,
including the course line up, list of professors, and the WWROF endorsed
Contester's Code of Ethics, on Monday, February 6th, at 9:30 PM – 10:00 PM
EST, during a Webinar

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Ad breaks of up to 24 mins turn off UAEs TV viewers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rVxSFKN45yc/uae_ad_breaks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The largest TV broadcasters in the UAE are showing up to 76 commercials in a single break, prompting viewers to switch stations, according to data from the Emirates Media Measurement Company (EMMC)

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Announcing Frostfest 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vT7vN5tDr9s/announcing_frostfest_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sponsored by the Richmond Amateur Telecommunications Society, Frostfest is one of the Mid-Atlantic’s largest hamfests

89. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1 - WEEK05/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-01 21:39:26 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201202012043.q11KhLCt030544@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3706
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 05/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-02-01
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 **

The team of MMMonVHF is very proud to publish the results of the
"Best VHF DX expedition 2011"

During the voting period, Jan 1th to Jan 20th, we counted 145 voters,
the highest number since 2007.
These voters were from 25 different countries and they have made 353
votes for 50 different expeditions. All these expeditions were
published on the REVIEWS pages of MMMonVHF during the year 2011:
http://mmmonvhf.de/review.php

The voting was divided in a section MS (terrestical) and EME

The winners:

SECTION MS

1st place and "Best VHF MS expedition 2011" : C37MS
2nd place: 7P8EME
3rd place: US8ZAL/P

SECTION EME

1st place and "Best VHF EME expedition 2011" : C56EME
2nd place: 7P8EME
3rd place: 8P9DL / 8P9MS / 8P9HP

C37MS was organized by Chris, PA2CHR, who is known for many
expeditions in the past.

C56EME was organized by Rene, PE1L, together with Eltje, PA3CEE, and
Johan, PE9DX. This team set a new worldrecord with making 361 initials
in 10 days from Gambia.

On behalf of the whole VHF-community, the team MMMonVHF is congratulating
the members of both expeditions with their title of honour. This is our
way to thank them for their efforts and great expeditions.

But our thanks and respects are also going to all who went on expeditions
and spended time and money in giving us new DXCC's and squares and we hope
that many more are encouraged to do so also!

As always we also give an extra T-shirt to one of the voters that was
selected random. The winner of this T-shirt is Eene, PA3CEG.

The complete results are published om the MMMonVHF webpage:

http://mmmonvhf.de/trophy.php

SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the team of MMMonVHF

** MS Sprint Contest 2011 **

Every year MMMonVHF and DUBUS are organizing the MS Sprint Contest
around the maximum of the Perseids meteorshower. The logs have been
processed and the winners for 2011 are known!

Section QRP

1st Place: ON6NL
2nd Place: UT5U
3rd Place: RK1AA/1

Section QRO

1st Place: RX1AS
2nd Place HB9FAP
3rd Place UT2UB

Section Team:

QRP F/SV1NZX
QRO US8ZAL
/P YU2DX

Best station outside Europe

W7OJT

Complete list of results and soapbox is available on:
http://mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php?year=2011

All stations will receive an E-award from the contestmanager DK5EW.
The team of MMMonVHF and DUBUS congratulates the winners of each section.

SOURCE: Erwin, DK5EW, on behalf of the MMMonVHF-team

** Meteorscatter February / March 2012 **

Only minor showers hit the Earth in February - March. The most significant is
Capricornids / Sagittariids (peaking February 2nd), a medium-ZHR daytime
shower; its radiant culminates at relatively low elevation in northern
hemisphere skies. Sporadic meteors have reached their seasonal minimum,
but MS contacts are still possible, especially in early morning hours.
Have a look to MS predictions for February - March 2012, at our
MMM MS-Propagation page. The page will be updated end of month for February
and March.

SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, on behalf of the MMMonVHF-team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire (PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC: FG; square: FK96; start 2012-04-12 **

FG4KH (FK96) is annouced to be QRV on 144 MHz in the period between April 12
and April 26 2012. Further details are on URL
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/

The 432 MHz expedition ended and QSL's will be send when ready.

SOURCE: Philippe, F1DUZ, to Moon-Net, Jan. 18th.

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** 3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND **

Operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM will once
again be active from Annobon Island (AF-039) and Bioko Island (AF-010,
DXCC - Equatorial Guinea) using the callsigns 3C0E and 3C6A, respectively.

According to their Web page they arrive at Malabo, Equatorial Guinea, by
the middle of February. (dates to be determined). In Malabo, they will
purchase all needed provisions as there are on stores on the island of
Annobon. A representative of the Ministry will also be traveling with
them to Annobon. If they have free time, they will have a active station
on the air on CW or SSB and RTTY using the callsign 3C6A from Malabo,
Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea. Then they will travel to Annobon and
be active as 3C0E. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Suggested frequencies

are:
CW - 1826.5 (*RX), 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024
SSB - 3785, 7075/7145, 14190, 18140, 21295, 24960 and 28480
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50.104/CW and 50.145/SSB MHz
RX AS/OC 1821.5
RX EU/NA 1834.0
QSL both callsigns via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernabï¿½ Coll, P.O.Box 3097,
03080 Alicante, Spain. They are looking for sponsors for this very
expensive operation. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at:

http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

SOURCE: [OPDX] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1047

** South Shetland, VP8/S **

Adrian EA1CYK/P is active from VP8/S

Until March 2012, Adrian EA1CYK/P is active on 6m SSB and digital modes
during spare time from the Antarctic base of Gabriel de Castilla (WAP: ESP-02)
on Deception Island, South Shetland AN-010. If possible he will also try to be
active from the Juan Carlos I (WAP: ESP-01) base on Livingstone Island.
He will be qrv 06:00 AM UTC y las 14:00 PM UTC at weekends and 15:00 y 18:00 PM
UTC on working days. QSL via EA7LS.

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4110

SOURCE: tnx to EA3AKY via MMMonVHF

** Gabon, TR **

Sebastien, F4EIH will be in Gabon for at least three years starting on
1 February. He plans to operate SSB, PSK31 and JT65 on the HF and VHF
(EME and Satellite) bands.

SOURCE: F6AJA, Les Nouvelles DX via 425dxn]

** Spratly Islands, 9M0 **

Plans for the expedition to Layang Layang, Spratly Islands are developing.
A large team of operators from Malaysia, Japan and England, divided up
into three groups, is expected to be active as 9M0L indicatively between
5 and 17 April. A website is under construction at http://9m0l.legendchew.com/

SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) 30 Jan. 2012

** Niue, ZK2 **

A German team consisting of Heidi DK1MA, Sid DM2AYO, Rolf DL7VEE, Jan DL7JAN, Klaus DK1AX, J?rgen DF1AL, Heye DJ9RR, Dietmar DL2HWA and Uwe DJ9HX plan to be active as ZK2C from the Namukulu Cottages, located in the north-west part of the Niue Island (IOTA OC-040, WFF ZLFF-021, WLOTA 2139, WW Loc. AH51BB), from 3-17 February, 2012. They will be QRV on all bands (160m to 6m) in CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations on air simultaneously using 500 watt solid state amplifiers and various antennas. QSL Bureau via DL7JAN or direct and OQRS.
Online log will be available at ClubLog. Further information and updates on their website at: http://zk2c.hkmann.de/

SOURCE: dx-world.net via ICPO

** Ogasawara, JD1 **

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1 from Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

** St. Kilda, GM **

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands (EU-059, Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time, from 16-21 May, 2012. QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

** 4U1, ITU HQ (Special Activity), qrv HF and 50 MHz **

The International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, will be operating with the special callsign 4U1WRC between January 23rd and February 17th. Activity will take place during the ITU World Radio Conference 2012 (WRC-12) from Geneva, Switzerland. Operations will be from 160-6 meters, eventually higher, all modes.
All QSOs will be confirmed with a special QSL available via 4U1ITU. Short updates of the operation will be posted on twitter at: http://twitter.com/4u1itu
More detailed information is availabe on the Web site at: http://life.itu.int/radioclub

SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1046

** Democratic Republic of Congo, 9Q6

Barney, ZS4U (ZS6TQ) will be active from the Democratic Republic of Congo between March 10 to April 5, 2012 as 9Q6/ZS4U.

QRV on 40-6m CW, SSB and PSK.

QSL via home call.

SOURCE: dx-world.net, (Jan. 24, 2012)

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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90. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 02 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-02 11:27:00 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba613adca4d0d204b7f97894@google.com>
Source record: 3707
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gMzZXucpnZo/february_02.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Conditions weren't too bad all week, naturally better somehow at the weekend. Saturday even I managed 7Z1TT (Saudi Arabia), K3ZO (USA) and SV0XCC/9 (Crete aka ON6WP)

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FCC Spread Sectrum tests off to a good start

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FyNAB4tbUpA/fcc_spread_sectrum_tests_off_to_a_good_start.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At 0052 z 1/2/2012 after a CQ call from WF9XJD, Jose Ros EA5HVK, inventor of the ROS data and Opera beacon mode's, made the opening decode of the first FCC – SS authorised experimental Station, WF9XJD on 10.132 MHz at a rock bottom level of -22dB S/N

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WRC-12 Day 9 - 31st January 2012 - Movement Forward

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sxzDbLWQggc/wrc12_day9.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On the IARU Region 1 site Colin Thomas G3PSM reports that at last there is a glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel!

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WF9XJD Experimental Station Operating Schedule

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SFisBUbyBD4/wf9xjd_experimental_station_operating_schedule.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The experimental station WF9XJD will be active Thursday, Feb 2 using HF Spread Spectrum and radio amateurs are requested to participate as monitoring stations using the free ROS soundcard software

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Digital Radio 2012: a 'visionary' year

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The next 12 months will confirm that radio has a digital hybrid future. The view is expressed in a collection of essays published on Tuesday by the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) New Radio Group

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BATC Convention 2012

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w1E7my4DgYk/batc_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The British Amateur Television Club have just released details of the BATC Convention and BiAGM to be held on October 6th and 7th

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Wallis and Futuna

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_SRw__KKOg0/wallis_and_futuna.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Laci, HA0NAR, and his wife Susanne, HA0SR, will be active as FW0NAR from Uvea Island (aka Wallis) between now and February 20th

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Radio waves a boost for RNLI life-savers

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_3Xf71nwi0o/radio_waves_a_boost_for_rnli.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The John O'Groat Journal and Caithness Courier reports on the activities of the Caithness Amateur Radio Society (CARS) during SOS Radio Week

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French Nostradamus HF Radar

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BnvthAurz94/french_nostradamus_hf_radar.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A number of countries have installed HF Over The Horizon Radar (OTHR), the French system is called Nostradamus and operates from 6-30 MHz

91. [DXNL] DX-NL 1765 (Feb 1, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-02 11:59:24 UTC
From: Fabian Kurz <dj1yfk@darc.de>
Message-ID: <E1Rsuv6-0005VK-Gn@dl0tud.tu-dresden.de>
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3B8, Mauritius:
Find Slavo, SP2JMB, and his XYL Dorota, SP2TO, February 5th - 25th as
3B8GY on Mauritius (AF-049) using all HF bands on CW, SSB, and RTTY.
They will also take part in ARRL International DX CW Contest.
QSL via SP2JMB.

Patrice (Pat), 3B8FA, is on the air again after a long break. Buzz,
NI5DX, manages his QSLing for contacts since January 23rd, 2012. Buzz
is just designing the QSL, the printing will take another 5 weeks.

6Y, Jamaica:
Look for Gerhard, OE3GEA/6Y5, working holyday stile on JaMayka
(NA-097, WLOTA 0214) February 2nd - 15th using 50 Watts to an
Outbacker antenna and/or dipoles on CW only. QSL via homecall.

FJ, St. Barthelemy:
Callsign TO3J from NA-146 is operated February 1st - 7th by Takayuki,
JA1MZL, and Yutaka, JJ1LIB. They will use 160 - 10 meters on CW, SSB,
and RTTY. QSL via JA1HGY.

FS, St. Martin:
Benoît, FS/F8PDR, operates from the French part of the island (NA105,
WLOTA 383, DIFO FS-001) February 5th - 16th. There might be a trip to
St. Maarten operating as PJ7/F8PDR. Main interest is to 80 - 10 meters
on CW and RTTY using 100 watts and dipoles or verticals. QSL via
homecall, LoTW.

FW0/TW0, Wallis & Futuma (Update):
Laci, HA0NAR, and XYL Susanne, HA0SR, as FW0NAR will stay until
February 20th. There are still plans to visit Futuna Island (OC-118)
as TW0F. QSLs via HA0NAR. http://fw0nar.blogspot.com

HK0, Malpelo Island (Update):
Obviously some parts of the computer log are lost. If you do not find
your QSO after the correction of January 27th you better look for
another contact.
http://69.89.25.185/~trexsoft/t-rexsoftware.com/hk0na

HS, Thailand:
John, ZB2JK, will be on Phuket (AS-053) February through April as
HS0ZIQ using 40 - 10 meters with an FT 1000 MP, 200 watts, and home
brew antennas. QSL via ZB2JK after mid of April, direct only.

Currently Eddy, ON4AFU, as HS0ZJF/8 operates from Koh Samui Island
(AS-101) and with same call February 5th through 14th from Koh Butang
(AS-126). Look for him February 16th through 25th as XU7AFU from
Kampang Song in Kambodscha. QSLs via homecall. http://www.on4afu.net

J3, Grenada:
Team #1 der "Buddies in the Caribbean" with Chris, W6HFP, Budd, W3FF,
Bill, W7ZT, Steve, WG0AT, Mike, KC4VG, Guy, N7UN, Paul, KB9AVO, and
Weymouth, K8EAB, will be on a mini DXpedition February 1st through 9th.
They will use max. 100 watts and Buddipole antennas on 160 - 10 meters
on CW, SSB, and digital modes. They expect to operate as J3/homecall.
QSLs via homecall, direct only with SASE, LoTW, eQSL.

KG4, Guantanamo Bay:
In February an March there will be several activities from Guantanamo
Bay (NA-015):
4. - 18. February: Ed, KN4KL (KG4KL), on SSTV, RTTY, SSB, PSK, and
perhaps CW.
6. - 14. February: Gary, WB4DNL (KG4DL), mostly on CW.
6. - 23. February: Bill, W4WV (KG4WV) on SSB, PSK, RTTY, and maybe CW.
18. - 25.February: Tip, N4SIA (KG4AS), on CW, SSB, RTTY, and PSK.
25. February - 3. March: Emmett, KD4OS (KG4OS), on CW and SSB.
25. February - 10.March: Stu, K4MIL (KG4SS) on CW, SSB, and RTTY.
QSLs via homecalls.

KH0, Mariana Islands:
Hal, W1NN, and Joe, JA1LZR, will be active through February 4th as NH0J
resp. NH0Z on Tinian with K3, 1,5 KW-PA and lambda/4 verticals and
seperate antennas for receiving on the low bands.

PY, Brasilia:
"Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de Radio Emissao" (LABRE) will be 78 years
February 2nd. For this event there will be activity by stations from all
Brasilian districts and the federal district operating February 1st
through 5th: PT8AA, PP7AA, PP8AA, PQ8AA, PY6AA, PT7AAC, PT2AAA, PP1AAA,
PP2AA, PR8AA, PY4AA, PT9AA, PY9AA, PY8AAP, PR7AA, PY7AA, PS8AA, PY5AA,
PY1AA, PS7AA, PW8AA, PV8AA, PY3AA, PP5AA, PP6AA, PY2AA, PQ2AA) on all
bands and modes - a good chance to complete Brasilian diplomes. Special
call ZY78AA will be activated during the whole month of February.
QSLs via PT2AA. Look for the diplomes of LABRE at:
http://www.labre.org.br/extras/imagens/diplomas_english.htm

RI1, Antarctica:
Oleg, UA1PBA/ZS1ANF, will be at Basis Bellinghausen (WAP RUS-01) as RI1ANF in February/March through late 2012/early 2013. He intends to be on the air as /mm during his voyage with ice-breaker "Ak. Fedorov" late February.

V2, Antigua:
Darren, VA3EGG, will be on holydays in February on Antigua operating 40 - 10 meters as V25DH. QSL via homecall.

V3, Belize:
Alex, DO5ALX (V31RU), and Torsten, DG7RO (V31TF), will go to Corozal in the Northern part of Belize February 4th through 26th and will use RTTY and SSB on the WARC bands. They will be in CQ WPX RTTY contest (11./12. February) as a M/2 operation. QSLs via homecalls.

V6, Micronesia:
William, V63YWR, is a new resident on Federai des Ulithi Atoll, (OC-078). He is using an IC-718 and wire antennas and waits for a Hexbeam. He is using ham radio for phonepatch with AH7G mainly, but does also do some chatting on amateur radio after that. Obviously there is no land line telephone on the island and satellite telephones are to expensive for the inhabitants.

ZF, Cayman Islands:
Paul, W3GQ, and Paul, W3HGT, as ZF2GQ resp ZF2GT will be on Grand Cayman (NA-016) February 4th through 11th. QSLs via homecalls, LoTW after the DXpedition; eQSL on request only.

ZK2, Niue:
Heidi, DK1MA, Sid, DM2AYO, Rolf, DL7VEE, Jan, DL7JAN, Klaus, DK1AX, Juergen, DF1AL, Heye, DJ9RR, Dietmar, DL2HWA, and Uwe, DJ9HX, will present ZK2C from Niue (IOTA OC-040, WFF ZLFF-021, WLOTA 2139, WW Loc. AH51bb) February 3rd - 17th on all bands 10 - 160 meters on CW, SSB, and RTTY - also on 6 meters if the band is found open. There will be 3 stations simultaneosly, K3 and 500-Watts PAs, on various antennas, Spiderbeam through verticals. QSL via OQRS http://zk2c.hkmann.de/ via DL7JAN.

ARRL's LoTW Support for CQ's Awards:
This year will be the start for using LotW also for non-ARRL awards, starting with WPX award in April, other CQ awards to follow.

WUST Award:
Metro DX Club in Chicago newly presents the award "Worked US Territories. http://www.metrodxclub.com/wust_award.htm

OPs needed:
There is still need for two more operators to take part in the upcoming DXpedition to Conway Reef (OC-112, Grid Loc. RG78) September 25th through October 6th. Contact Hrane, YT1AD, (yt5a@yahoo.com) if interested. http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

QSL de OD5NH:
Puzant needs 3$ to send his QSL as post card and he cannot use IRCs in
Lebanon. Postcards also cannot be opened and stolen. He suggests to
send registered letters, no SAE needed, but write his name (never the
call) on the envelope, because he has to sign for it.
The POBox often is changed, look it up on QRZ.com.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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WA7BNM Contest Calendar: http://hornucopia.com/contestcal

Two websites dealing with a good operating technique are:
DX Code of Conduct: http://dx-code.org/home.html
Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur:
http://www.ham-operating-ethics.org

UPCOMING CONTESTS

4./5.2. AGCW-DL Straight-Key-Party 80m
4./5.2. Mexico International RTTY Contest
5.2. North American Sprint
5.2. February-QSO-Party 2012

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

EU-089, CU8,9; Western Group; Hermann CT3FN/HB9CRV will be in the
Mexico International RTTY Contest (4/5th February) as CR2V from the
QTH of Antonio/CU8AS (DFP FAZ-02, TWLHD WLH CU-008, ARLHS AZO-016,
WLOTA 0947, DIP AZ-008). QSL via HB9CRV (d/B)
http://www.to-mk.com/neu/

SA-088, PP5, Santa Catarina State South Group: Marcelo/PP5BK, Fabio/PP5BZ,
Edson/PP5VK, Roni/PP5ZB, Jose/PU5ATX and Claudio/PY3OZ will be on the
air from "Santana de Fora" island (SA-088, DIB SC-10) on 40-6 meters
on CW and SSB, also digimodes, if possible. Activity will last February
3rd through 6th as PS5F. QSL via PP5BZ (d/B).

Lighthouse activities

3B8GY LH 1533 05.02. - 25.02.
FS/F8PDR LH 0383 05.02. - 16.02.
J38RF LH 0718 08-02. - 08.03.
KG4DL LH 0358 06.02. - 14.02.
KG4KL LH 0358 04.02. - 18.02.
KG4WV LH 0358 06.02. - 23.02.
PJ7/F8PDR LH 0711 05.02. - 16.02.
ZF2GQ LH 1042 04.02. - 11.02.

ZF2GT LH 1042 04.02. - 11.02.
ZK2C LH 2139 03.02. - 17.02.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

160m
HK0NA 1.824 0637Z N2OO (B&OQRS)

80m
PJ2/K8ND 3.517 0520Z SA-099

40m
C6AKM 7.032 0023Z N5KM
PJ4C 7.012 0100Z F9IE b/d
PJ4M 7.018 0538Z DJ7JC
TA1C/2 7.008 2009Z

30m
4K9W 10.105 0540Z DL6KVA
5N7M 10.104 0640Z OM3CGN
HK0NA 10.124 2239Z N2OO (B&OQRS)
LZ40YG 10.115 1631Z
PJ4M 10.105 2243Z DJ7JC
YQ2WFF 10.120 0646Z YOFF- ??

20m
A61R 14.017 1613Z
EA2RC/1 14.029 1540Z EA-FF ??
HK0NA 14.160 1030Z N2OO b/d OQRS
J28AA 14.008 1713Z
J28AA 14.006 1636Z K2PF
K4ADV 14.061 1655Z W4/SH006
K4QS 14.062 1727Z SOTA 4/SH012
N4EX/P 14.063 1828Z SOTA W4/EP007
OY4M 14.007 1636Z
T6BP 14.017 0700Z 9A6AA
VE9HF 14.011 1645Z
W4EON 14.342 1607Z
W4MPS 14.063 1828Z SOTA W4/EP007

17m
HK0NA 18.130 1157Z N2OO b/d OQRS
HK0NA 18.070 1601Z N2OO b/d OQRS

15m
7X3WPL 21.024 0923Z
EK85DX 21.005 0552Z
HK0NA 21.275 1240Z N2OO (B&OQRS)
HK0NA 21.080 1523Z N2OO (B&OQRS)
KH0/HB9BCK 21.295 0857Z OC086
OA1F 21.007 1556Z
PV8ADI 21.020 1545Z

TN2T 21.292 0708Z M0URX OQRS

12m
6W7SK 24.895 1217Z F6BLP
CO6RD 24.905 1445Z 8P9ND (d)
HK0NA 24.940 1720Z N2OO (B&OQRS)
TN2T 24.901 1323Z M0URX OQRS
TN2T 24.973 1335Z M0URX OQRS
UK8OM 24.896 0826Z
YN7SU 24.893 1500Z TI4SU (d)

10m
HK0NA 28.024 1532Z N2OO (B&OQRS)
HK0NA 28.405 1429Z N2OO (B&OQRS)
PJ2/AA9A 28.455 1427Z AA9A (L)
TF1JI 28.500 1315Z
VP8DNT 28.500 1352Z JH1AJT

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(L) = LoTW

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL
Resident 3B8FA 1765 *
5. - 25. February 3B8GY 1765 *
unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12December-10March 4S7KKG 1757
23January-17February 4U1WRC 1764
unknown 4W0VB 1763
01January-30June 5P12EU 1760
until 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
until April 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674
20January-3February 6W7SK 1763
31. March 8N1JARL.. 1762
until 31. March 2012 8J1ING 1751
until 31. March 8J1YMS 1764
- 30.September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751
10December-05March 8J6HAM 1757
until 28. February 8J9LITE 1764
25January-5February 8Q7HU 1764
- 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
long term 9N1FE 1740
soon 9Q1EK 1669
- October2014 9V1RM 1751

- September 2013 A52SV 1752
- April CE2/CX1EK 1762
- March 2012 CE9VPM 1752
- 8. February C21HA 1763
4. - 5. February CR2V 1765 *

20January-13February CU8AS.. 1763
- 8. July 2012 D2QV 1750
- April 2012? D2SG 1748
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
01January-31December DL1630Y 1760
01January-31December DM100MGY 1763
01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763
- February 2013 DP0GVN 1756
- 31. December DQ125HSB 1763
- March 2012 EA1CYK/p 1759
1January-31December EI80IRTS 1763
1December-28February EM0BSCC/mm 1756

- 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
unknown FK/9A4DU 1763
22January-10February FR/F8APV 1763
- July 2012 FR8NE 1710
24January-23February FW0R.. 1763/1765 *
2012 GB80PW 1762
unknown HA100CGCDH 1762
September-2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
21January -6February HK0NA 1763
16January-26March HK3JCL 1762
now HL2/KC6STQ 1746
2.February - 6.May HR5/F2JD 1764
29January-10February HU2DX 1764
until April HS0ZIQ 1765 *
- 14. February HS0ZJF/8 1765 *
- late 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
- February 2012 II0MZ 1755
1January-31December II6LN 1763

- spring 2012 J28FJ 1739
- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
- July 2012 J28RO 1683
- July 2013 J28UC 1734
1. - 9. February J3/W6HFP.. 1765
- 15. April JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
- April 2012 KC4AAC 1757
- 2013 KG4AJ 1756
18. - 25. February KG4AS 1765 *
6. - 14. February KG4DL 1765 *
4. - 18. February KG4KL 1765 *
25February -3.March KG4OS 1765 *
25February -10March KG4SS 1765 *
6. - 23. February KG4WV 1765 *
- June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
- May 2012 KH4/W5FJG 1728
postponed 2012 KH5 1674/1705/1741
- 4. February NH0J.. 1765 *

- March 2012 OA/OE3NHW 1749
2. - 15. February OE3GEA/6Y5 1765 *
1January-31December ON65BR 1763
1January-31.January ON800TUR 1763
- February 2012 OR4TN 1754
long term P29FM 1752
- March 2012 P29FR 1742
21January-17March PJ2/AA9A.. 1763
- March/April 2012 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
30January-9February PR2I 1764
3. - 6. February PS5F 1765 *
- mid March RI1ANA 1762
- early 2013 RI1ANF 1765 *
- September 2012 RI1FJA 1741
- September 2012 RI1FJM 1741
unknown SN2012WW.. 1763
now ST2AR 1745
unknown SU9VB 1754
unknown SX1912 1763

17January-2February T32AU.. 1762
- April 2012 T6BP 1746
- 13. June T6JM 1764
- mid February T6KK 1764
- June 2012 T6MO 1733
unknown TL8ES 1755
- 31. December TM70TRS 1763
- July 2012 TN9SN 1755
1. - 7. February TO3J 1765 *
28January-5February TO4M 1764
now TR0A/p 1760
February 2012 V25DH 1765 *
27January-1February V31JZ/p 1764
4. - 26. February V31RU.. 1765 *
- 26. February V31YN.. 1763
Resident V63YWR 1765 *
- November 2014 V73NS 1604/1668/1752

now VK0TH 1748/1763/1764
12January-04February VP6T.. 1762
unknown VP8DFR 1764
- February 2012 VP8DMH 1757
- July 2012 VQ9JC 1755
- March VU3BPZ.. 1762
31January-4February W8XGI/KH6 1764
- May 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763
16. - 25. February XU7AFU 1765 *
unknown XV9DX.. 1756
4. - 11. February ZF2GQ 1765 *
4. - 11. February ZF2GT 1765 *
3. - 17. February ZK2C 1765 *

- spring 2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749
- February ZY78AA.. 1765 *

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8FA via NI5DX (B)
3B8GY via SP2JMB (B)
5H3CMG via ZR6CMG
9Q0HQ/7 via UV5EVJ (B)
AH0J via JA1NVF (B)
AX8NSB via M0URX (B)
CR2V via HB9CRV (d/B)
D2EB via IZ3ETU (d)
DR950RZ via DL5HAQ (B)
ED1R via EA4RCH (B)
EK85GM via EK7DX (d)
EK85TA via EK7DX (d)
EK85ZZ via EK7DX (d)
EZ7V via RW6HS (d)
FW0NAR via HA0NAR (B)
GB0PLB via MW0RHD eQSL only
HB9/RV3DH via RV3DH
HF15SRKJ via SP8KLJ (B)
HF8J via SQ8JLA (B)
HS0ZIQ via ZB2JK (d)
HS0ZJF/8 via ON4AFU (B)
J3/K8EAB via K8EAB (d), (L)
J3/KB9AVO via KB9AVO (d), (L)
J3/KC4VG via KC4VG (d), (L)
J3/N7UN via N7UN (d), (L)
J3/W3FF via W3FF (d), (L)
J3/W6HFP via W6HFP (d), (L)
J3/W7ZT via W7ZT (d), (L)
J3/WG0AT via WG0AT (d), (L)
KG4AS via N4SIA
KG4DL via WB4DNL
KG4KL via KN4KL
KG4OS via KD4OS
KG4SS via K4MIL (B)
KG4WV via W4WV (B)
KP2B via NP3O (*), (d)
NA1AA/KH2 via JL3LSF (B)
NP3X via NP3O (*), (d)
NQ2A via NP3O (*), (d)
OE3GEA/6Y5 via OE3GEA (B)
OX/K8GU via K8GU (B)
PJ2/K8ND via K8ND (B)
PJ4M via DJ7JC (B)

PS5F via PP5BZ (B)
TM9AAW via F8DVD (B)
TN2T via M0URX (B)
PS5F via PP5BZ (d/B)
TO3J via JA1HGY (B)
TW0F via HA0NAR (B)
UP2L via UA9AB (B)
V25DH via VA3EGG
V31RU via DO5ALX (B)
V31TF via DG7RO (B), (L)
VQ9JC via ND9M (B)
WP3A via NP3O (*), (d)
XU7AFU via ON4AFU (B)
ZF2GQ via W3GQ (B), (L)
ZF2GT via W3HGT (B), (L)
ZK2C via DL7JAN (B,OQRS)
ZY78AA via PT2AA (B)

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(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: BH1KTL, T32C (via G3NUC), V31NB (EB7DX), Z24EA (DL4EA),
ZA1G, KC4AAA (K1IED, schnell), PJ4/LU1FAM (LU2FE),
TU2T (I2YSB), YJ0VK (VK2CA).

QSLs arrived via buro: A25VB, D20VB, V51VV, 5H3VMB, C91VB, 5R8VB,
Z2/UA4HWX, J20VB, 5Z4/UA4HWX, 7Q7VBA25VB, D20VB,
V51VV, 5H3VMB, C91VB, 5R8VB, Z2/UA4HWX, J20VB,
5Z4/UA4HWX, 7Q7VB, CR5L 7X2ARA, YP1WFF, OH9AA/p,
9M2MRS, LM9K75Y, TS8P, FM/DL1CW, MS0INT, BW/DL3OCH,
R1ANP, YI9PSE, 9K2F, A61AR (UA6MF), C91VB (UA4WHX),
D60VB (UA4WHX), EP3PK (IK2DUW, FG/K9NW (K9NW),
J79AN (DL7JAN), H7/K9NW (K9NW), J79EA (K8EAB),
PJ5/SP6IXF (SP6IXF), TO5SM (F6BFH), V21ZG (DL7AFS),
YS1/HB9KNA (HB9KNA), 3DA0NW (K9NW), 3W7TK (OK1HWB),
5H3VMB (UA4WHX), 5R8VB (UA4WHX), 5X1VB (UA4WHX),
7Q7VB (UA4WHX), 8Q7XR (M0DXR), 9M6DXX/p (M0URX),
9M6XRO/p (M0URX), 9M8DX/2 (SP5UAF).

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==> + WRC-12: THE FIRST WEEK

By IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) 2012 World
Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) began January 23 in Geneva,
Switzerland. This is the "big show" for spectrum allocation matters and
a very important meeting if you are an Amateur Radio operator anywhere
in the world. Every four or five years, a WRC takes place; the last one
was in 2007. Approximately 3000 people are attending WRC-12. These are
government officials, telecommunication industry people and others --
like the IARU -- who have an interest in the use of the radio spectrum.
The agenda items discussed during WRC-12 were established at the
previous WRC in 2007. In the past 4.5 years, there have been many
committee meetings within the ITU to try to arrive at solutions that
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will satisfy each of the agenda items. In the case of some of the agenda items, several possible methods to satisfy the agenda item have been identified. It is up to the WRC to select the most appropriate method to satisfy the agenda item, that is, to arrive at a worldwide solution to the issue presented in the agenda item. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/wrc-12-the-first-week>.

==> + WRC-12: AGENDA ITEM 1.23 UPDATE

According to Colin Thomas, G3PSM, CEPT Coordinator for Agenda Item 1.23, WRC-12 delegates are progressing with what he calls a "compromise proposal" for an MF secondary allocation to the Amateur Radio Service. Agenda Item 1.23 calls for WRC-12 delegations to consider an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415-526.5 kHz to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis, taking into account the need to protect existing services.

"Progress was made with a compromise proposal on Agenda Item 1.23, drafted to take into consideration the views of those for and those against an amateur service allocation around 500 kHz," Thomas explained. "This proposal suggests a 7 kHz segment between 472-479 kHz, very close to the CEPT position of 472-480 kHz <http://www.arrl.org/news/european-proposal-for-amateur-secondary-mf-allocation-clears-important-hurdle>.
Initial indications are that this could be acceptable to many administrations and regional organizations. However, various meetings need to take place to have these formally accepted. In order to tidy up the draft for the next meeting of the sub-working group, a weekend meeting of the drafting group will be held. At the time of writing [Saturday, January 28], the NOC (No Change) advocates steadfastly maintain their positions."

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SETS DATE FOR MEDICAL DEVICES ON 70 CM

In November 2011, FCC Commissioners unanimously agreed <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-grants-secondary-service-allocation-to-wireless-broadband-medical-micropower-networks>
to allocate spectrum and adopt service and technical rules for the utilization of new implanted medical devices that operate on 413-457 MHz (70 cm). These devices will be used on a secondary basis as part of the Medical Device Radiocommunication (MedRadio) Service in Part 95 of the FCC rules. In the Federal Register for Friday, January 27 <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-01-27/pdf/2012-1540.pdf>, the FCC announced that the effective date for these new rules is Monday, February 27. The new rules expand the existing MedRadio Service rules to permit the use of new wideband medical implant devices that employ neuromuscular microstimulation techniques to restore sensation, mobility, and other functions to paralyzed limbs and organs. These medical devices hold enormous promise to advance the state of medical care, lower health costs, and improve the quality of life for countless Americans. The rules will allow these new types of MedRadio devices to access 24 megahertz of spectrum in the 413-419, 426-432, 438-444, and

451-457 MHz bands on a secondary basis.

==> + ARRL HQ: SAVE THE DATE! TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR OF W1AW ON FEBRUARY 12

Join W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, on a virtual tour of W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-antenna-farm>, the Amateur Radio station at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut. Carcia will lead this tour via a live webcast on Sunday, February 12 at 5 PM EST (2200 UTC). Anyone with an Internet connection will be able to watch the tour here <http://www.awecast.tv/channels/arrl/>.

"We want viewers of this live Internet tour to feel as if they are actually at W1AW," Carcia explained. "If you came to W1AW in person, you would see the same things that we are going to show on the virtual tour: The three operating stations, the W1AW workshop, the transmitter racks that we use to send out our bulletins and use for the code practice transmission, the control console and Old Betsy <http://www.arrl.org/images/view/web_008.jpg>, Hiram Percy Maxim's personal spark gap transmitter."

Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of the New Day Group <http://www.newdayhd.com/>, will follow Carcia as he leads viewers through the station. ARRL Staff members, including Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, and Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, as well as local television weatherman Geoff Fox, K1GF <http://www.geofffox.com/>, will also be on hand at W1AW during the tour.

"Hams around the world know of W1AW, and thousands have made contacts with this impressive station -- but most hams never get to see it," Pitts said. "Thanks to Al Petrunti's group, we hope that folks enjoy seeing what's at the other end of the signals. As in all live broadcasts, you never know just what might happen. We invite you to join us." Pitts is producing the live web tour.

This is the second video that the New Day Group has made for the ARRL. In 2011, they created the HR 607 video <http://www.arrl.org/hr-607> that educated radio amateurs of a bill in Congress that addressed certain spectrum management issues, including the creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety broadband network using current Amateur Radio spectrum.

==> + ARRL HQ: VOLUNTEER TOUR GUIDES MAKE YOUR VISIT TO ARRL HEADQUARTERS PLEASANT AND INFORMATIVE

When you visit ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut, the first smiling face you're likely to see is a tour guide. ARRL's Tour Guide program now includes 19 volunteers who donate thousands of hours of their free time per year, giving tours to hundreds of visitors. ARRL's tour guides are an integral part of the ARRL. When not giving tours, they are busy accomplishing tasks in various HQ departments -- sorting QSL cards, working on special projects in the lab, updating the

periodicals archive, and much, much more. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/volunteer-tour-guides-make-your-visit-to-arrl-hq-pl
easant-and-informative>.

==> +ARRL FIELD DAY: 2012 FIELD DAY PACKET NOW AVAILABLE

It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL
Field Day, June 23-24, 2012! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always
held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and
experienced hams for 24 hours of operating fun. Field Day packets are
now available for download <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday> and include
the complete rules, as well as other reference items such as forms,
ARRL Section abbreviation list, entry submission instructions, a
Frequently Asked Questions section, guidelines for getting bonus
points, instructions for GOTA stations and a kit to publicize your
event with the local press. A brief one-page flyer with basic "What is
Field Day" information has also been included in this year's Field Day
packet. Amateur Radio clubs and individuals are encouraged to reproduce
this flyer as a handout for information tables.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that
the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which
covers the month of January -- takes a look the 2012 World
Radiocommunication Conference, the ARRL Board of Directors' 2012 Annual
Meeting, new ARRL books, new antennas at the W1AW antenna farm, FCC
decisions affecting Amateur Radio, reports from the Official Observer
Desk and more. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-42>.

==> + ON THE AIR: 4U1ITU NOW 4U1WRC DURING WRC-12

4U1ITU <http://life.itu.ch/radioclub/> -- the Amateur Radio station
at the ITU -- will be signing as 4U1WRC during the 2012 World
Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12), through February 17. The
station will revert to 4U1ITU just in time for the ARRL International
DX CW Contest <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>, scheduled for February
18-19. According to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ,
who is attending WRC-12 as the IARU International Secretariat, the
station is in really good shape, with two operating positions capable
of going on any two bands at the same time. "A number of delegates are
active amateurs, so the station should be quite active for the next
several weeks," he said. Amateurs who work 4U1WRC between January
23-February 17, 2012 can receive a special QSL card via the HB9 Bureau
or by QSLing direct to IARC, PO Box 6, CH-1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Strolling slowly toward the Sun
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jYix2LttoB0>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Over
the past reporting week -- January 26-February 1 -- the average daily
sunspot number declined nearly 37 points to 62, while the average daily

solar flux was off nearly 21 points to 120.4. The predicted solar flux for the near term is 120 on February 2-5, 110 on February 6-9, 150 on February 10, 155 on February 11-13, 150 on February 14-19, and then 145 on February 20-23. The forecast in mid-January for flux levels at 165 on February 17-21 are but a distant memory. Shortly after the last bulletin was released on Friday, January 27, a powerful X-class solar flare was released at 1837 UTC, but it was not Earth-directed. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 3. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Sugarloaf's Green Eyed Lady <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Green_Eyed_Lady>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- February 3 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 4 -- Minnesota QSO Party; FYBO Winter QRP Sprint; AGCW Straight Key Party
- February 4-5 -- Vermont QSO Party; Delaware QSO Party; British Columbia QSO Party; Mexico RTTY International Contest; 10-10 International Winter Contest (SSB); YL-ISSB QSO Party (CW); Black Sea Cup International; EPC WW DX Contest
- February 5 -- North American Sprint (CW)

Next week:

- February 10 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 11 -- FISTS Winter Sprint
- February 11-12 -- Louisiana QSO Party; New Hampshire QSO Party; CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest
- February 12 -- North American Sprint (SSB); SKCC Weekend Sprint
- February 12-13 -- Classic Exchange (Phone)
- February 13-17 -- ARRL School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>
- February 14-15 -- PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint (local time)
- February 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> + ARRL CONGRATULATES: RALPH TAGGART, WB8DQT , WINS JANUARY QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for January is Ralph
Taggart, WB8DQT , for his article "Vintage Low Power Radios. "
Congratulations Ralph! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the
author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by
a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your
favorite article in the February issue today.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- February 4 -- ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-2012>,
Richmond, Virginia; ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-1>,
Ladson, South Carolina
- February 10-12 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-ham
cation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont
- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest
>,
Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-
hamfest-2>,
Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>,
Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana
-hamfest>,
Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest
-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-t
m>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
>,

Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1799 - February 3 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1799 with a release date of February 3rd, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Amateur radio is still live and well at WRC 2012; an Arizona ham files a petition with the FCC to expand the scope of PRB-1; medical implant devices coming to 70 centimeters on February 27th and meet a young ham who not only flies high altitude balloons but makes amazing videos with the pictures that they capture. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1799 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: WRC-2012 STILL CONSIDERING NEW HAM RADIO ALLOCATION NEAR 500KHZ

Ham radio is very much alive as a discussion topic at the 2012 World Radiocommunications Conference now taking place in Geneva Switzerland. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, has the latest:

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Rod Stafford, W6ROD, secretary for the International Amateur Radio Union's Region 2, says from his vantage point, it appears that there are several member countries that are in favor of granting the amateur radio service an allocation somewhere in the 415 to 526.5 kHz range.

It had been proposed to carve out a 15 kHz section for amateur use.

However, Stafford says those engaged in the discussions say there is a need to protect existing services.

And, Stafford says in a report on the WRC proceedings so far that there appear to be a couple of options:

First, a secondary allocation of up to 15 kHz to the amateur radio service on a worldwide basis between 472 kHz and 487 kHz.

Second, two non-contiguous worldwide secondary allocations to the amateur radio service between 461 and 469 kHz and 471 to 478 kHz, totalling 15 kHz.

Third, a proposal for a worldwide secondary allocation of 8 KHz from 472 to 480 kHz.

And, finally, no change or allocation.

He says some countries are concerned that non-direction beacons that operate in the spectrum could be subject to possible interference from any new allocations to amateur radio. Stafford's assessment is that it's still early in the process to determine whether amateur operators will succeed in getting the spectrum allocation.

He says there's one other item of concern to amateur radio operators and the IARU being discussed at the conference.

That's a bid for oceanographic radar applications in the 3 to 50 MHz range.

Stafford says the IARU's position is the oceanographic radar applications are incompatible with the amateur and amateur satellite services in the range 3 to 50 MHz and should not be allocated in bands already allocated to the amateur and amateur satellite service, including 5.250 to 5.450 MHz.

WRC-12 wraps up on Feb. 17 and Stafford promises he'll keep the amateur community apprised of developments as they occur.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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As an aside, the International Amateur Radio Club in Geneva is on the air using the special call 4U1WRC during the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference. It's operating all modes on 160 through 6 meters until the close of the conference on February 17th. If you work this special commemorative station please QSL via 4U1ITU.

(WRC 2012)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: A GLOOMY FUTURE FOR DXPEDITIONS TO JAN MAYEN ISLAND

Jan Mayen Island could soon head to the top of the DX worlds most wanted this. This as the result of a recent decision by the Norwegian government that declared most of Jan Mayen a Nature Reserve and banned landings and camping on most of the island. This means that tour operators can no longer visit since the main landing area is part of the Reserve.

The only places left on the island which could be used as landing and camp sites are in the very extreme southern part of Jan Mayen which suffers from extreme weather conditions. Amateur radio operations may still be possible from the two locations but both are difficult to get to due to stormy seas and other severe weather conditions. As such it now appears that the recent JX5O operation was probably the last major DXpedition to Jan Mayen for many years to come.

There is the chance that hams who might be assigned as staff members at the islands Olonkin base will be able to activate Jan Mayen. Late word is that LA9JKA, is to be there beginning March 22nd and is expected to stay until March 2013 but what plans he has to operate from the island at this point are unknown. (Southgate)

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RADIO LAW: MEDICAL IMPLANT DEVICES COMING TO 70CM ON FEB. 27

Monday, February 27th is the date when medical monitoring and control devices previously approved by the FCC could start showing up in various segments of the 70 centimeter band. Amateur Radio Newsline welcomes Chris Szpila who has this report:

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As reported here on Newsline, last November the FCC voted to allocate spectrum for use by new implanted medical devices that operate on 413 to 457 MHz range. These devices which range from short range monitors to more advanced diagnostic and treatment gear will be used on a secondary basis as part of the Part 95 Medical Device Radiocommunication Service. The rules established by the FCC allow access 24 megahertz of spectrum on a secondary basis in the 413 to 419, 426 to 432, 438 to 444, and 451 to 457 Megahertz bands.

Amateur radio should hear little in the way of interference from any of these devices to signal reception. What's not known is the effect of nearby high power transmitters from various services across the spectrum to the operation of these devices or the ability of any remote transceiver system to hear their telemetry and send instructions back to these implanted units. Most researchers believe this to be minimal to none at all.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Chris Szpila, in Los Angeles.

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The most important aspect of these devices will be their benefit to mankind by restoring mobility and other functions to paralyzed limbs for those who cannot now use them now. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: ARIZONA HAM FILES FOR RULE MAKING TO EXTEND PRB1 TO OVERIDE CCR RESTRICTIONS

A petition to the FCC to extend PRB-1 exemptions to cover outdoor antennas in communities with Condition, Covenant and Restrictions has been filed with the FCC by Arizona resident Leonard J. Umina, W7CCE.

Umina's petition is based on an Equal Rights claim. He says that to establish the assertion it is necessary to ascertain that certain classes of amateurs are and / or were in identical situations with regard to those who received relief from PRB-1 but were not equally

treated by the regulation.

Umina states that what he terms as the "move elsewhere" philosophy of PRB-1 fails to address classes of amateurs who were born into restrictive areas and those who had no part in selecting where they would reside.

Umina notes that because over 66% of Americans now rent and that that Homeowners Association market penetration has skyrocked. This at the same time that the urban population has increased to 75%. As such, Umina suggests that it is finally time for the FCC to act by extending PRB-1 in its present form to negate private contracts better known as CC&R's.

Umina asks that special exemptions be applied to wire antennas so that simple rules exist in allowing for easier participation by youth and those who otherwise might be confused by complex regulation and court decisions. Umina also asks that Shortwave Listener and the commercial shortwave market be considered.

Most important, Umina asks that no significant changes be made which would compromise existing District Court decisions which upheld PRB-1 application. As we go to air the FCC has not yet assigned a rule making designation to W7CCE's petition filing. (QRZ.com)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RS-39 NOW ON-ORBIT: RECEPTION REPORTS WANTED

The Chibis-M microsatellite, also known as RS-39, was placed on-orbit from a Russian Progress M cargo spacecraft on Tuesday January 24th. The satellite is designed to study atmospheric phenomena such as Terrestrial Gamma Ray Flashes associated with lightning.

RS-39 also carries CW beacons on 435.215 and 435.315 MHz. Hams hearing these signals are being asked to submit reception reports via e-mail to the Space Research Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences at amateur-rs39 (at) chibis (dot) cosmos (dot) ru. Each report will be acknowledged with a special QSL card.

We will have more ham radio space related news later on in this week's Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Southgate)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Sequoia Amateur Radio Group repeater serving Lake Isabella, California.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARRL TO PRESENT LIVE WEB TOUR OF W1AW ON FEBRUARY 12

Never seen the ARRL Headquarters station W1AW? Well you can do so vicariously through a webcast. Amateur Radio Newslines Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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The ARRL and Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of The New Day Group have teamed up to present the first ever on-line tour of the League's flagship station W1AW. The live webcast takes place on February 12th beginning at 5 p.m. Eastern time.

According to ARRL Public Relations and Media Coordinator Allen Pitts, W1AGP, many hams around the world know of W1AW. Thousands have made contacts with this impressive station, but few ever get to observe it in person.

Pitts who is producing the event says that thanks to Petrunti's media streaming group, people world-wide should enjoy seeing what's at the other end of the signals from W1AW.

Pitts notes that through the webcast viewers will be there as Petrunti, along with local weatherman Geoff Fox, K1GF, and others are given a tour of W1AW by Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q. W1AGP says that as in all live broadcasts, you never know what might happen.

Again, you can watch the webcast live on Sunday, February 12th beginning at 5 p.m. Eastern at www.awecast.tv/channels/arrl. W1AGP says that he hopes you enjoy the tour.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, is no stranger to ham radio video projects. He was the creative force behind the ARRL video about HR-607. More about the New Day Group at www.NewDayHD.com. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: NEW TOWER RULES FOR THE BIRDS

The FCC's new rules affecting tower sitting for certain tall towers, meant to protect migratory birds, have been published in the Federal Register. However, they have not yet become effective.

Some aspects of the new rules adopted in December need approval by the Office of Management and Budget. The FCC will publish a subsequent notice in the Federal Register announcing the effective date.

To recap, towers above 450 feet tall will face more analysis. Owners will need to do an environmental assessment and allow the public time to comment on where a new tower would be placed before construction accomplishing this through methods such as a newspaper notice or local

zoning public notice process. An environmental notice will also be required if an applicant changes the lighting of an existing tower to a less preferred style.

Very few if any ham radio towers are 450 feet or higher and are not affected by the new rules. However they do make for some very interesting reading. You can see these new bird safety tower rules at tinyurl.com/tower-birds-two. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCAST FINE AFFIRMED

The FCC has affirmed a $10,000 fine to Willis Cernogg, Jr. of Miami, Florida. This for willful and repeated violation of Section 301 of the Communications Act by operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 90.7 MHz.

Back on October 25th, 2011, the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Cernogg. The FCC says that Cernogg never filed a response to the N-A-L. So, based on the information before it, the FCC has now affirmed the forfeiture.

As is normal procedure, Cernogg was given the customary 30 days from the January 25th date the order was released to pay the fine or file an appeal. If he fails to do either, the FCC will likely turn the matter over to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS TEAM WITH CRIME STOPPERS IN MISSOURI

Members of the Barry-Lawrence Chapter of Crime Stoppers in Cassville, Missouri are joining forces with ham radio operators. This, to help keep an eye out for the thieves who have been stealing and burning vehicles in two counties.

Katherine Parker, KD0ETX, is the Assistant District Emergency Coordinator for both Barry and Lawrence counties. She says that general warnings could be issued to operators across the region to be aware of the situation and report suspicious activities occurring in their neighborhoods.

During their January meeting, the Crime Stoppers board members also approved offering a reward for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for the hundreds of thousands of dollars in property damage resulting from these recent crime sprees. Chairman John Strong also recommended organizing citizen patrols for parts of both counties, with suspicious activity reported back to local law enforcement agencies. (Cassville Democrat)

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ON LINE NEWS: QRZ.COM ADDS GRIDMAPPER SERVICE

Another service has been added to QRZ.com. Called the Gridmapper this feature allows you to see the grid square on a Google map of the station you are looking up. A six character square is outlined. This is very handy for VHF and UHF enthusiasts who try to find and activate rare locations in the Maidenhead Grid Square location system. (K8YSE)

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HAM MARKETPLACE: UK INNOVANTENNAS COME TO NORTH AMERICA

InnovAntennas have come to North America. According to Bill Hein, AA7XT, the full line of high performance British built High Frequency, VHF and UHF amateur radio antennas from InnovAntennas are now available to customers across the United States at R&L Electronics in Hamilton, Ohio.

By way of background, InnovAntennas was launched in 2011 by Justin Johnson, G0KSC. This after his hobby of designing antennas for his personal use led to a flood of make one for me requests from amateur radio operators who recognized that Johnson's designs outperformed they could buy in any U-K store.

Today, InnovAntennas is building antennas at a former boat factory in Canvey Island, England and selling its products directly via InnovAntennas.com and via a network of dealers in Europe, Australia, and now, the United States. Designs include the Loop Fed Array and Opposing Phase - Driven Element System Yagis both of which have become very popular in the world of Moonbounce or E-M-E operations.

For more information on the introduction of InnovAntennas to the United States ham radio marketplace, you can e-mail AA7XT to bill (at) innovantennas (dot) com. You can also check the R and L website at www.RandL.com. (AA7XT)

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HAM MARKETPLACE: YAESU HINTING IT WILL BRING OUT C4FM DITIAL VOICE GEAR FOR AMATEUR RADIO

Yaesu is hinting that they will be coming out with new digital amateur radios in 2012.

A new pamphlet discussing amateur digital radios shows the new Vertex Standard APCO P-25 commercial radios, as well as new amateur radios based on the C4FM FDMA digital audio system commonly known as MotoTrobo.

The pamphlet makes it appear that Yaesu will be offering amateur gear based on the MotoTrobo digital standard sometime this. The new vertex radios look identical to their Motorola counterparts.

Our guess is that any launch of such a project would likely take place at the Dayton Hamvention in mid-May. (Adapted from Yaesu Press

Release)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AARA TO HOLD ITS 52ND HAMFEST IN RAYNE LOUISIANA MARCH 9-10

The Acadiana Amateur Radio Association will hold its 52nd annual hamfest at the Civic Center in Rayne, Louisiana. The dates are March 9 and 10 and the event will feature ARRL Education and Technology Program Coordinator Mark Spencer WA8SME as its special guest speaker. For entertainment Norm Helms K5SAC will be heading up the Texas Ham Playboys band.

This hamfest has been designated as the 2012 ARRL Louisiana State Convention and planners say that they are looking forward to seeing many of you there. More information about this fun event is on-line at www.w5ddl.org/hamfest. (KN5GRK)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: DX UNIVERSITY 2012 APRIL 20TH IN VISALIA CA.

The 2012 DX University will take place on the Friday April 20th in conjunction with the International DX Convention in Visalia, California. Among this years lecturers are Bob Allphin, K4UEE; Bernie Mc Clenny, W3UR; Rusty Epps, W6OAT; Bob Locher, W9KNI, and a number of other world famous DX'ers many of whom are inductees of the CQ DX Hall of Fame. Together they will teach many of the operating techniques for working DX. You will also get the DXpeditioner's view of how DXers should operate to get into the log. Registration is available on line at www.dxuniversity.com. For further information please contact Wayne Mills by e-mail to N7NG (at) arrl (dot) net or Roger Western, at G3SXW (at) btinternet (dot) com. (DX University)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM RADIO TECHNOLOGY: ROS JOINS US EXPERIMENTAL SPREAD SPECTRUM TEST STA

R-O-S is among a number of modes raking part in spread spectrum experiments in the USA. The R-O-S data mode group reports that the FCC has issued a Special Temporary Authority to a United States based experimental group for the purpose of investigating Spread Spectrum

modes within the USA.

According to the press release from Graham Brown, G0NBD, Phil Williams, KA1GMN, of Euless, Texas has been issued the first license with the call WF9XJD. Williams was scheduled to become active on February 1st.

Brown says that anyone wishing to apply for a STA or be one of the designated receiving stations, should contact Williams directly at ka1gmn (at) gmail.com for details of the application process. Reports and QSO's are of course, most welcome from all.

The licenses are issued on a 6 month rolling basis and can also be applied directly from the FCC at tinyurl.com/fccsta. (G0NBD, Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SUMBANDILLASAT FAILS ON-ORBIT

South Africa's Defence Web reports that the nations second satellite, SumbandilaSat also known as SO-67 is no longer fully operational.

Rob Olivier is the head of Business Development at SunSpace. He told Defence Web that although contact can still be made with the satellite, it cannot capture images. As such it is no longer fulfilling its main purpose.

Oliver added that chances of repairing the satellite onorbit are virtually none. As such SunSpace has moved on to other projects.

SumbandilaSat was damaged during a solar storm in the June of 2011. The power supply to its onboard computer stopped working and the satellite stopped sending back images.

In addition to its primary mission SumbandilaSat also carried an radio payload as well. This consisted of a voice beacon, a store and forward parrot repeater and VHF to UHF FM repeater. (Defence Web)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: WINNERS OF ARISSAT-1 CHICKEN LITTLE CONTEST ANNOUNCED

AMSAT and ARISS announced the winners of its ARISSat One Chicken Little Contest to predict when the hand-deployed bird would fall from the sky. The contest received 77 entries from 17 different countries, from all continents except Antarctica.

In the Kindergarten through grade 8 grade sector the winner was Cora Haefner, KK4ECV, of Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia. In grades 9 through 12 it was the Cameron School in Lancashire, in the United Kingdom. The Adult category winner was Thomas Frey, HB9SKA, of Birr, Switzerland.

Based on comments sent along with the submissions, a wide variety of techniques were used. These ranged from detailed calculations, to comparisons with past satellites, to guesses based on birthdays. In

the end, both KK4ECV and HB9SKA were within 15 hours of the best data from Space Track. It had reported that the remnants of ARISSat One splashed down in the South Atlantic approximately 07:00 UTC on January 4th.

All three winners have been sent a Chicken Little Certificate, and the congratulations of the ARISSat One team. The contest sponsors say that they also want to tank all those who entered, especially educators who worked with students on this project. (AMSAT / ARISS)

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ON THE AIR: BCARA TO COMMEMORATE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY ON THE AIR

On the air, word that Ohio's Butler County Amateur Radio Association will be sponsoring special event station W8WRK from February 18th to the 26th. This to commemorate a historic Washington's Birthday amateur radio message relay which was originally accomplished on February 22, 1916 by members of the American Radio Relay League. The special event will be conducted from the clubs home station which is located in the original building of Special Land Station 8ZU. For operating times, frequencies and QSL information please visit tinyurl.com/6og8epf on the World Wide Web. (KD8RLA)

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DX

In DX, W1NN and JA1LZR will be operational as NH0J and NH0Z, respectively, from Tinian, in the Northern Marianas, until February 4th. Their activity is focused on the lower bands using an Elecraft K3 transceiver an amplifier and a quarter wave verticals. QSL this one as directed on the air.

EA5BYP and EA5KM will once again be active from Annobon Island and Bioko Islands. The pair plan to arrive in Equatorial Guinea by the middle of February and then travel first to Bioko using the callsign 3C6A and then on to Annobon as 3C0E. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters. Exact dates of this operation should be announced shortly. QSL both callsigns via EA5BYP.

W6HGF, will be on the air stroke FP from Miquelon Island between February 10th through the 20th. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meters but focused on the Digital modes, mostly RTTY. QSL via Logbook of the World or to W6HGF, direct or via the bureau.

NP4Z will be active as EE8Z from the Los Chachos Contest Club in the Canary Islands. This, during the CQ World Wide SSB Contest from March 24th to the 25th. QSL via EA8AY.

Lastly, ZS4U will be operational portable 9Q6 from the Republic of the Congo between March 10th and April 5th. Activity will be limited, probably mainly on the weekends and some days during the week. Listen out for him between 1200 and 1600 UTC on 40 through 6 meters using CW,

SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HACK THE TUBE - A TRIP TO THE EDGE OF SPACE BY TEEN HAM ERIN KING, AK4JG

And finally this week, Erin King, AK4JG, of Columbia, Georgia, may only be a teenager but she has already left a very positive imprint in our world of amateur radio. Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details on Erin's magic carpet ride to the edge of space and the video that is taking the ham radio community by storm:

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Erin King, AK4JG has posted a video of her recent amateur radio high altitude balloon mission for the 'Hack the Tubes' project. This, for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's class of 2016's early admissions program. And when you see it you will find it hard to believe that both the flight and the video are the work of a very, very talented teen.

According to AK4JG, she decided to send her Tube to the edge of space by turning it into an amateur radio high-altitude ballooning project. To accomplish this, Erin used two GPS and APRS-equipped transmitters for payload tracking. One of these signed the call AK4JG-11 and the other beaconed her fathers call sign of K4ETY-11. Each one sent out position packets from the Tube so Erin could follow it on the ground.

Also on board the tube-shaped payload was an Earth viewing GoPro Hero camera shooting high definition video. And capture some breathtaking video of the entire flight it did.

Erin's payload was carried aloft by a Helium filled 800 gram weather balloon. Takeoff took place on January 16th at around 1 P.M. Eastern time from Lumpkin, GA. The entire flight from launch to landing lasted about 2 hours. That is all compacted to 8 [illegible] minutes during which Erin's video takes you from initial payload assembly of the trackers to the edge of space at over 90,000 feet and to recovery of the payload from where it landed in a pine tree.

The video is set to the music of "Circuit" by Sonic Adventure Project. There is no narration. Instead Erin and her very professional video editing skill lets the pictures tell the entire story. You can see it for yourself by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/AK4JG-balloon video.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Again, you will find Erin's video on-line at tinyurl.com/AK4JG-balloon-video. Go take a look. You will be glad that you did.

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350.

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in sunny Vero Beach, Florida, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-03 13:33:25 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <D4F768047DBE477AA90EE7A578B23490@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3711
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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>From the desk of HQ…Welcome to the first issue of HQ Info-line for 2012, I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and new year festivities.

This issue has some very important dates to remember, so make sure you circle your calendar for the activities that interest you.

Break In will be in your mail boxes any day now, so be sure to take a look at the front wrapper that includes all the Conference registration costs to be held in Nelson over Queens Birthday weekend.

If you have not received Break In, and you feel sure that you have paid your subscription, can you please check that your cheque has been deposited or your credit card debited before you enquire with me as to its whereabouts. There are genuine cases that some may have been misplaced in the mail, however I can assure you, that all those who I am aware have paid have been included in the mailing list sent to the distributors.

Speaking of Break In…I have received the following from John Walker, please make sure you contact him for further details.

An apology. Unfortunately the circuit for the DSB Demodulator (p4-5) was omitted from the Jan/Feb Break-In. It will be included in the next issue of Break-In but meantime pdf copies may be obtained from the Editor

email <john.zl3ib@ihug.co.nz>

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Phillipines Amateur Radio Golden Anniversary

Dear fellow hams from New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters
[NZART]
The Philippine Amateur Radio League (PARL) is celebrating its Golden
Anniversary this year 2012. To commemorate this milestone of our radio
club, the members have agreed to initiate a commemorative diploma that
can be obtained by establishing 2-way QSO's with its members.

The rules to qualify for the award and sample diploma can be viewed over
at http://www.dx1l.dxhams.net/Awards.htm

Further, throughout 2012, we will be putting on air a special event call
sign 4G0LD. We look forward to having QSO's with you and your
members.

73 de

Mike Hogar, DU1XX Club President

The IARU Region 3 Newsletter Headlines
Issue 24 - October to December 2011, Released January 2012
* A Word from the Chairman of IARU Region 3 - Michael Owen VK3KI
* Saving almost 1,000 lives in Thailand
* Typhoon hits Southern Philippines
* JARL elects new officers
* Seanet 2011
* Increase in New Zealand Amateur Power Limit
* Australian regulator to permit higher power for Advanced licensees on
trial basis
* "WRC-12 (World Radiocommunication Conference 2012)
* 15th Region 3 Triennial Conference
* The 2012 International YL Meet- a reminder
* Keith Malcolm VK1KM SK

MS Word version of this newsletter is available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-12-01.doc
Acrobat PDF version is also available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-12-01.pdf

APRS Digi Licences:

NZART recently asked Radio Spectrum Management to put in place a licence
class that would allow us to have multiple repeaters on the same
frequency under a single licence. A similar licence class is available
in the commercial world but is not available to amateur repeaters.

Such a licence would be of great benefit to the APRS community as all
APRS digipeaters could be grouped under one licence paying one fee. This
fee is likely be more than the current individual repeater licence fee

however the benefits would be a net reduction in fees, as well as no extra cost for additional APRS repeaters.

RSM carefully considered the suggestion and, while they saw its benefits to the amateur community, they unfortunately declined to grant us this licence class at this time, suggesting we raise the issue at the next fee review.

NZART is always looking for ways to improve the conditions for amateur radio in New Zealand and we intend to look further at this (and other licensing issues) at the next fee review.

Roy Symon, ZL2KH

President, NZART (Inc)

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE

PROPOSALS

None this month.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

Branch 60 Taupo has applied for a VHF Linking Station (VLS) at Maroanui, located at TOPO50 BF36 634.01 323.75, to provide a link between the Maroanui 675 repeater and the Taraponui 725 repeater. The link transmit frequency will be 147.850 MHz and the receive frequency will be 147.250 MHz.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

The current status of Applications can be viewed on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/fmtag-apps-being-processed/

>From the VHF/UHF/SHF Contest Manager:

RESULTS OF THE VHF/UHF/SHF FIELD DAY CONTEST

3rd & 4th December 2011

Congratulations to the overall winning team: ZL4AA.

Also, congratulations to the band winners:

ZL4AA 2 metres and 70 centimetres

ZL2AS 6 metres

ZL1SWW 23 centimetres

The Contest highlight was a 6 metre opening to North America on Sunday the 4th of December.

The full results are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/results-vhf-field-day-contest-december-2011

THE NEXT CONTEST

The next contest is the DX Weekend Contest, 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th of February 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the Low Band Contest, 50 MHz to 440 MHz, on Saturday the 14th and Sunday the 15th of April 2011. This is the weekend after Easter. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager
Wellington VHF Group

GOLDEN SHEARS WORLD SHEARING COMPETITION AWARD 2012.

1. This Award is offered by Branch 46 NZART to celebrate the Golden Shears Society’s World Shearing Championship Competition, an event of International significance. This competition draws competitors from New Zealand and worldwide. The award will run from Monday 20th February 2012 and conclude at mid night on Saturday 3rd March 2012, the night on which the competition finals are held.

2. The award is available to all amateurs and short wave listeners,

3. Contacts will be confined to 80m SSB, local repeaters and National system. Any contact made on repeaters, National system or with Branch 46 members operating mobile are permitted.

4. New Zealand Stations require 10 points from those listed below:

(a) Compulsory contact with ZL6 WSC 5 points

(b) Contact with Club Station ZL2OA 3 points

(c) Contacts with Branch member’s 1 point

5. Overseas stations require 5 points from those listed above but no compulsory

contact with ZL6WSC is needed.

6. A copy of log details with appropriate fee is to be received at the following

address before the 31st March 2012.

The Award Custodian

Branch 46 NZART

PO Box 860

Masterton

New Zealand

7. Award applications from New Zealand and Australian stations will cost $A/NZ 5.00

8. Award applications from other overseas stations will cost US$ 5.00

9. Award fees cover all NZ postage charges.

10. The Award Certificate will be a colour print portraying a scene of significance to the Wairarapa overprinted with the Golden Shears Emblem.

11. ZL6WSC, ZL2OA and Branch members will operate on a roster basis during the Award period on or about the following frequencies

(a) The Awards Net – 3.677hz SSB most nights.

(b) The repeaters within Wairarapa and the National system will be monitored most evenings.

This information sheet is available by e-mail on application to zl2fc@xtra.co.nz

Jock White Field Day February 25 and 26

Field day is approaching once again.

The event commences at 1500 (local time) on Saturday, with a break from 2400 until 0600 Sunday, then concludes at 1500.

For the up to date rules please see the NZART contest page:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-jock-white-field-day/

Scoring

Each year some teams seem to want to come up with their own score sheets, please use the score sheets which can printed from the following link, it makes my job a lot easier.

http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/

Incorrectly scored

In 2011 several teams sent in logs with no attempt to score them, or an incomplete attempt. I did score some of these which took a lot of my time, this year they will be listed as a check log.

If you are struggling with scoring, contact me as I am more than happy to help.

Branch Number

The rules in the past have not allowed flexibility for field teams that need to operate a distance from what has been arbitrarily referred to as their “branch area”. Examples for the need for this have included:

A branch where a number of members live away from the branch area

A field team or single operator not aligned to a particular branch wishing to use a branch number.

Rule 12 has been altered to accommodate these contingencies:

12. Branch Number

12.1 Field stations will usually operate in the area of their Branch. They will use the NZART Branch number in their cypher.

12.2 It is recognised that for various reasons some field teams may need to venture beyond their ‘normal branch area’ to operate.

12.3 Some teams may not have affiliation to a particular branch but wish to operate as a field station. To provide a branch number in this case nearby branches not active in field day should be approached for permission to use their number. (see 12.5 below)

12.4 If the field station chosen location is within another Branch area care must be taken not to clash with the other Branch station. The onus is on the 'moved' station to ensure that there is no clash.

12.5 The Branch number of Branches in recess may be used.

12.6 The field day manager should be contacted well before the event if there is any potential difficulty with the use of branch numbers.

The intention here is to encourage activity and get the maximum number of branch numbers in use, which makes the event more interesting.

I cannot stress the point enough that care must be taken to ensure geographical separation between field stations.

As always, if there is anything that needs clarification, contact me prior to the event.

I look forward to hearing many of you on, I will be part of the branch 22, ZL2KS effort.

Stuart Watchman

ZL2TW

clareandstuart@xtra.co.nz

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the March/April 2012
issue of Break-In-closes on 10 March 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 March 2012
for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted
DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to
e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
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HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 17th February 2012. Closing date for this
is Thursday 16th February.

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95. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 03 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-03 13:33:47 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e82c002788104b80dbbcb@google.com>
Source record: 3712
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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WorldRadio founder Armond Noble, N6WR, Silent Key

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Armond Noble, N6WR, founder and publisher of WorldRadio magazine for 37 years, died February 1 in Sacramento, California after a short illness

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Macclesfield Club DXpedition to Colonsay

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iosrAyQEusw/colonsay_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Macclesfield and District Radio Society is off on its 2012 DXpedition to Colonsay, off the west coast of Scotland, Islands On The Air (IOTA) reference EU-123

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Digital SSTV Decoding

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BDfxwD2T3Hs/digital_sstv_decoding.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A YouTube video shows how Digital SSTV can be decoded with the free EasyPal software

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Black Sea Cup International Contest

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The next Black Sea Cup International Contest will take place 4th - 5th of February 2012

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu

rner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4kEWzbes90s/february_03.htm?utm_source=
feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Qtmm soundcard modem for decoding AFSK1200

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D8yAU24gVs0/qtmm_soundcard_modem.htm?ut
m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Qtmm is a simple AFSK1200 decoder that can be used to decode packet radio,
APRS and telemetry from amateur radio satellites

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FISTS marks a milestone

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/spCla0PGmUY/fists_marks_a_milestone.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The organisation that supports the use, preservation and education of Morse
code is called FISTS and it has been doing its sterling job for 25 years

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LABRE celebrates its 78th year

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edburner&utm_medium=email

'Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de Radio Emissao' (LABRE) celebrated its 78th
year on February 2nd. To celebrate, there will be activity by stations from
all Brasilian districts

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Steady growth for the ILLW

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htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Among the latest to join the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend
in August is South Africa, with entries at Great Fish Point and Doring Bays
lighthouses

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Amateur Radio Foundation in Nottingham

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The Sherwood Amateur Radio Club (SARC) has places for the next Foundation exam to be held February 20

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Canvey Radio Rally

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One of the most popular rallies in the South-East, the Canvey Radio and Electronics Rally, takes place this Sunday, 5th February 2012

96. School Club Roundup February 13-17 and other news

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-03 17:25:40 UTC
From: ARRL Education Services <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120203165936.C9DBC25B96@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3713
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Greetings!

Just a few notes to remind you that the next School Club Roundup is approaching February 13-17. You'll find all the information you need about this contest on our website at www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup-scr, including some valuable advice for teachers who are getting students organized to participate for the first time.

You might also want to check out a new flyer ARRL has just released telling kids about "22 Things You Can Do With Amateur Radio." Check it out in our Forms & Media Warehouse at: www.arrl.org/shop/Ham-Radio-Youth-flyer-pack-of-25/

The schedule for 2012 Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology seminars has been announced. Go to www.arrl.org/teachers-institute-on-wireless-technology for details and to download an application. Currently, we do not have confirmation on funding for the proposed session of TI-2 on Space on the Classroom. Check the website in a few weeks for an update on status.

73,

Debra

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97. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 05 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-03 21:17:13 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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Source record: 3714
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-02-05.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - Feb 05 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 05 2012.

Burglary at the Domain

CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia

CENTRE VICTORIA HAMFEST

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 5 2012.

Aggravated Burglary at the Domain

Domain club rooms in Hobart which belong to REAST were entered by unknown
persons causing substantial damage to locks. The locks that were in place
were more than adequate which goes to show how tooled up the average crooks
are these days.

Although the repeater and ATV shed were entered they were fortunate that
nothing was stolen or damaged.

Security has been beefed up which will hopefully slow up or stop any future
attempts to gain entry.

This serves as a timely reminder to consider the security we have in place in our own shacks. Why not take a look around your own shack after the broadcast and see if there is a loose link in the chain and fix it before it's too late.

FISTS Club Down Under are reporting how Brisbane (VK4) will be active in the event to remember the Titanic from Queensland's Maritime Museum, Southbank and look forward to contacting CW operators from everywhere.
This will be during a FISTS contest, April 15.

Wicen VK3 writing on ARVictoria web site have a timely reminder!

With summer well and truly here radio amateurs are increasingly giving thought as to how to keep their station on air in severe weather conditions that could result in power shortages, storms or fires.

This will enable them to continue to enjoy amateur radio should the power fail, but also it may assist them in learning more about summer bushfires in their area.

Last summer "self-help" groups of radio amateurs regularly got on their local repeater to keep in touch and share information.

To do this of course it is essential to have an independent power source. A diesel or petrol generator can be used to not only keep your radio on air but also give energy for lighting or other household uses.

Many seem to have a back-up 12v battery to keep their rigs on air. These are relatively affordable if bought new or even cheap second-hand. Emergency service authorities also recommend having spare batteries on hand for torches and a battery or wind-up powered broadcast receiver to keep up with the news.

Solar power may also be available.

So this summer have a think about how to stay on air.

Amateur Radio Victoria encourages the use of the major 2m repeaters to keep in touch, particularly on days of total fire ban or Code Red.

Should WICEN (Vic) or anyone else need any repeater to pass emergency messages please give them priority, or follow the guidance of any emergency net control station on a repeater.

On the HF bands there are a number of designated Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies. Within the Asia/Pacific Region these are
3.6MHz
7.110Mz

Globally the CoA include 14.3MHz, 18.160MHz and 21.360MHz.

During emergency training exercises and disasters please keep them clear.

(ARVICTORIA)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

CRARC would like to have a small stash of 2012 WIA Call Books on hand available for members at the upcoming AGM on 25th February.

As they are ordered by the box (25 in a box, and to keep the cost down, CRARC will pay for the shipping) and if you would like one put aside, email the committee (committee@crarc.ampr.org).

(sourced to Glenn vk1nut)

VK2

G'day Everyone, I'm Rod, VK2FVRJ, from the CCARC.

Educating the Coast

On Saturday 18th February, the CCARClub will be running a Foundation Licence course at the club rooms in Dandaloo Street, Kariong

The foundation course starts at 8:30am, followed by the exam the same day.

Higher levels of AR accreditation (Standard and Advanced) will also be conducted on the day, by appointment with the CCARC club's education officer, Chris, VK2YY.

For those interested in taking the courses please email Chris, chrisvk2yy@gmail.com

It is highly recommended that those sitting for the Foundation Licence read the excellent manual ("Your Entry into Amateur Radio") prior to attending the course. Copies of the manual can be purchased from the CCARC, from ARNSW or from the WIA.

That's all from the CCARC - See you at the Field Day!

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

The biggest of its type in Victoria and the only one that has been supported by all the major commercial traders. They would not miss it and neither should you.

The Centre Victoria RadioFest No. 5 offers three different ways people can sell second-hand radio equipment and accessories, non-commercial lots, bits and pieces.

There traditional table sales, car-boot sales or trailer and van loads. It's your choice!

Add to this interesting program of mini-lectures and this is truly a major event and great social occasion for anyone with an interest in radio.
The Centre Victoria RadioFest, Kyneton Racecourse on Sunday the 12th of February which is mostly under-cover, free tea and coffee, fully catered, or bring your own picnic.

Points are contact are:
Commercial Traders Liaison, Barry Robinson VK3PV 0428 516 001

Second hand tables are space, Ross Pittard VK3CE 0408 533 107
Club Corner Precinct, Tony Hambling VK3VTH 0423 635 152

(Bruce Lees VK3FFF)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA.

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking I should repeat the story
I had in VK1 National News a couple of weeks ago this time for VK4 QNEWS Locals.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2012/20120118-1/index.php

On the link given in the text edition of the news is a reminder of the
World Radio Conference being held in Geneva, Switzerland until February 17.

Readers of "Amateur Radio" magazine will have previously seen Michael Owen's
VK3KI, WIA President, explanation of how this conference fits into the
structure of administration of radio but with particular reference to the
amateur service.

Dale Hughes, VK1DSH, will be attending as a member of the Australian
contingent and representing the Wireless Institute of Australia.

Some people ask why the Institute spends its resources in attending these
meetings.

For the Advanced Licencees they have a decision of a past conference for
access to 10MHz, 17MHz and 24MHz collectively referred to as the WARC bands.
At that time the meeting was called the World Administrative Radio Conference
thus we get the acronym of WARC.

It was one of the first acts of this conference in the 21st century to
recommend the removal of the Morse Code requirement which gave "Limited"
licensees access to the HF spectrum below 29MHz.

In participating at the highest international levels of administration
relevant to our hobby the Institute can take credit for maintaining and
improving local licence conditions for all the amateur fraternity.

It may seem very remote to the individual but joining the WIA is a real way
of supporting the hobby both in VK and around the world.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

North Queensland Radio Amateurs will be involved with the AM for ANZAC DAY
event on the 25th of April from 0300UTC,

The Townsville Amateur Radio Club will be operating Club Station AX 4 WIT on
AM and CW in the Club Rooms at West End - situated in a fortified World War

2 RAAF Communications Centre.

TARCinc, led by Mal VK4MSS, will activate a number of World War 2
fortifications in Charters Towers, primarily on Towers Hill.

Participants in the Friendly Afternoon Net on 7115kHz from 0600UTC
will be using Amplitude Modulation, with net control for
the Friendly Afternoon Net from Towers Hill.

During the Friendly Afternoon Net, a message will be released
from Townsville, relayed by participants as accurately as possible
through to Charters Towers and then to the Atherton Tablelands.
This activity to simulate message handling on AM, including the
noise, distortion and fading experienced by message handlers of old.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

The annual general meeting for NTARC will take place on 8 February at
Skills Institute Alanvale 7.30pm. The agenda has been published in
the NTATC Yahoo group.

Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania let us know that
Callbooks & Foundation Licence Manuals are available from the Caltex Service
Station on Main Road MOONAH.
You can also arrange copies by contacting the secretary@reast.asn.au

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au
under F-troop.)

When I came out of the examination room where I'd just passed my Foundation
License, after the obligatory congratulations and back slaps, I walked out
into the sun and wondered:

"Now what?"

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL,
Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Amateur Radio Exams in DR Congo

On January 27 the first Amateur Radio Exams took place in the A.R.A.C.
clubhouse in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo.

Pascal 9Q1PM did an excellent job preparing the candidates for the test.

All 21 candidates passed!

The exam was supervised by Mr Mpatamana of the Minist&#65533;re des Postes
Nouvelles Technologies de Communication.

The club has great plans to be on the air with their club station 9Q0AR on a regular basis.

Of Martian Lines

A new novel featuring Morse code and radio signals is on the internet.

"Of Martian Lines", is written by Andy Thomas G0SFJ,

It is set on the Mars of two generations in the future, and in modern Russia and Ukraine, this blend of cosmology, radio, space technology and Russian literature - the second novel in the "Dmitri" series - explores the first Russian colony on Mars, and the lies and tensions the first Cosmonaut colonists bring from Earth.

http://www.createspace.com/3739192

Fiji signals it may switch Radio Australia back on

Andy Sennit reports on the Media Network that Radio Australia may broadcast again from Fiji.

Fiji's coup-installed military government has signalled it is looking at allowing Radio Australia to broadcast inside the country again.

Power to the two transmitters, one in Nadi and the other in Suva, was switched off by the interim government in 2009.

Fiji's permanent secretary of information, Sharon Smith Johns told Pacific Beat's Geraldine Coutts that she is looking at reversing the policy.

Media Network
http://blogs.rnw.nl/medianetwork/

Radio Australia
http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/pacbeat/stories/201201/s3417390.htm

FCC sets date for medical devices on 70 cm

The ARRL report that the FCC has permitted medical devices to use 426-432 MHz and 438-444 MHz from February 27.

This utilization of new implanted medical devices that operate on 413-457 MHz will be used on a secondary basis as part of the Medical Device Radiocommunication (MedRadio) Service in Part 95 of the FCC rules.

The new rules expand the existing MedRadio Service rules to permit the use of new wideband medical implant devices that employ neuromuscular micro stimulation techniques to restore sensation, mobility, and other functions to paralysed limbs and organs.

The rules will allow these new types of MedRadio devices to access 24 megahertz of spectrum in the 413-419 MHz, 426-432 MHz, 438-444 MHz, and 451-457 MHz bands currently in the US on a secondary basis.

4U1ITU -- the Amateur Radio station at the ITU -- is now signing as 4U1WRC during the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12).

The station will revert to 4U1ITU just in time for the ARRL International DX CW Contest scheduled for February 18-19.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

DXCC SEES AN INCREASE IN APPLICATIONS

Interest in DX is growing. So says the ARRL as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD:

The ARRL reports that it appears as if more amateurs are working DX these days. This in turn means the ARRL's Membership and Volunteer Programs Department, especially the DXCC Desk and the ARRL Incoming and Outgoing QSL Bureaus, are working very hard in processing applications and sending out cards via the different QSL Bureaus.

In 2010, the DXCC Desk processed 7134 applications for initial awards and endorsements. These 2010 applications included 853,462 QSOs. In 2011, the DXCC Desk processed 11,175 applications, representing 1,250,864 QSOs.

Sharon Taratula is the Membership and Volunteer Programs Administrative Manager. She explained that comparing 2010 to 2011 represents a 47 percent increase in the number of QSOs and a 57 percent increase in the number of applications received.

And that's quite an impressive increase in any area of ham radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, near Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

To learn more about this increase in DX, go to tinyurl.com/dxcc-numbers

K5B TO COMMEMORATE THE BATAAN DEATH MARCH

The Mesilla Valley Radio Club of Las Cruces, New Mexico will be operating special events station K5B on March 25th. This, in conjunction with the 23rd annual Bataan Memorial Death March Marathon to be held at the near-by White Sands Missile Range.

K5B will operate from 1000 to 2300 UTC on or near 21.337, 14.330, 7.225, and 3.893 megahertz. A commemorative card will be available by request. If you make contact please QSL with a self-addressed stamped business sized envelope to Special Events Station K5B, in care of the Mesilla Valley Radio Club, P. O. Box 1443 Las

Cruces, NM 88004-1443. All QSL requests must be
received by Friday, April 20th. More information
is on-line at www.n5bl.org/bataan

STUDENT HAM RADIO D-STAR SATELLITE TO LAUNCH LATER THIS YEAR

D-Star should be in space before the end of
2012. Students at the University of Liege in
Belgium are hoping their D-Star based ham radio
satellite OUFTI-1 will be launched towards the
end of this year if at all possible.

Plans originally called for it to be carried to
orbit on the maiden flight of the European Space
Agency's Vega launch vehicle. That now appears
to be out of the question. However team leaders
say that other opportunities have been identified
and discussions are ongoing with at least one launch provider.

If and when OUFTI-1 makes it to orbit it could
mean a lot of those on the fence about purchasing
D-Star based gear might just tape the
plunge. This in turn would likely result in a
major world-wide sales boost for Icom which to
date is the only supplier of D-Star based ham radio gear.

An update on the satellite and plans to get it
into space have been published in the January
2012 issue of the OUFTI-1 Newsletter. That issue
focuses on the current status and near-future of
D-Star based bird. You can read it on-line at
tinyurl.com/oufti-1-2012

NASA AND W5KWQ WORKING ON RELEASE OF FIRST MOVIE SHOT IN SPACE

The first science fiction film shot in space
could be coming to viewers here on Earth. This
after NASA confirms it's almost ready to give approval for the project.

Titled Apogee of Fear, the film was shot by space
tourist Richard Garriott, W5KWQ, during his 2008
trip to the International Space Station. Garriott
shot the basic footage for the film, using
astronauts as his cast. He then added scenes and
visual effects after his return to Earth.

The film was privately shown at Dragon*Con last
year, but has been in legal limbo since
then. This is because it wasn't included in
Garriott's deal with NASA. Now the space agency
confirms that it is working with W5KWQ to
facilitate the video's release. The complete
story is on-line at

tinyurl.com/movie-in-space

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80 metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160 metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

FISTS have sponsored a Titanic 24 Hour Sprint on Sunday the 15th April 2012. (0001 to 2359 UTC).

All licensed Amateur Bands except the WARC Bands.

Recognising the 100th anniversary of the loss of the RMS Titanic on the 15th April 1912. This event is to be a standard exchange, between stations.

Scoring: -
10 Points for any Titanic special events station
5 Points for a FISTS HQ Station (GX0IPX, GX3ZQS, MX5IPX, VK2FDU, ZL6FF, JL3YMV, KN0WCW)
3 Points for a FISTS Affiliated Club Station
2 Points for a FISTS Member
1 Point for a Non Member

Logs: - To include Date/Time/Call/Name/QTH/QRG/FISTS No/or Non Member Points.
by e-mail to m0bpt@yahoo.co.uk
in Excel/csv/tabbed word document format if possible.

To be received no later than 30th April 2012.

RD Contest Manager Steps Down

Peter Harding VK4OD has advised the WIA Board that he wishes to stand down as Contest Manager for the WIA Remembrance Day Contest.

WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI acknowledged Peter's contribution as the RD Contest Manger for many years.

Peter asked that his reason for retiring be made public, he needs to undergo treatment for prostate cancer and he wants to remind all men over 50 to make sure that they are checked for this disease."

The WIA Board will be meeting in Melbourne on 18/19 February and will be appointing a new RD Contest Manager then.

Anyone who would like to be considered for that position make sure that they give the WIA Manager Mal Brooks at the WIA office as much information as possible at least a week before the meeting.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Antarctic Activity Week thanks to FISTS downunder

The first teams and individuals are already lining up to be active in the 9th Antarctic Activity Week that will take place February 20-26th.

This is an all band, all mode, world-wide amateur radio event celebrating the international scientific work in Antarctica.

Certificates may be obtained from the World Antarctic Program using the QSLs from the WAP Reference Numbered stations worked.

For more details see: http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid=113

DF7ZS will be active from Aruba Island March 21st to the 27th signing P40S. QSL direct to DF7ZS as his address on QRZ.com.

F8APV active from Reunion Island until February 10th signing portable FR. QSL as directed on the air.

G3SWH and G3OLU will be active from the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland between February 21st to the 29th. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Operation will be on CW only on 80 through 10 meters.
QSL via G3SWH

GB80PW Practical Wireless 80th year

In the UK Ofcom have issued the special callsign GB 80 PW to Practical Wireless magazine. This special callsign is to celebrate the publication's 80th year in print.

Practical Wireless Magazine
http://www.pwpublishing.co.uk

ITU HQ Special Activity

The International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, is operating with the special callsign 4U1WRC until February 17th.

Activity will take place during the ITU World Radio Conference 2012 from Geneva, Switzerland.

Operations will be from 160-6 meters, eventually higher, all modes.

All QSOs will be confirmed with a special QSL available via 4U1ITU.

Short updates of the operation will be posted on twitter at:
http://twitter.com/4u1itu

More detailed information is available on the Web site at:
http://life.itu.int/radioclub

JS6RRR will be operational stroke KH2 from Guam between February 10 and 14. Activity 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31.
QSL via JS6RRR.

JA6CNH will be active as XV2CNH from Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam between
Feb 10 and 15. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters CW, SSB and the
Digital modes. QSL via JA6CNH, direct only.

Philippine Amateur Radio League 50th anniversary special event

Look for special event station 4G0LD to be active during 2012.

Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur Radio
League (PARL).

QSL via the Bureau.

Also, the P.A.R.L. is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio
stations that have established two-way communications with at least 12 QSOs
with PARL members.

Look for more details at:
http://www.dx1l.dxhams.net/events.htm

T6JM

Another station from Afghanistan is Jose CT1FKN who is signing T6JM.
He is there until mid-June and is mainly QRV on 20m SSB and BPSK31.
QSL T6JM to CT1FKN his home call.

T6KK

Kurt KE7KUS has been active as T6KK since 19 January.
He is based at Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan till mid-February.
QSL info for T6KK is via ke7kus his home call and Logbook of the World.

Malpelo Island DXpedition log problems

Bob, N2OO, QSL Manager for HK0NA reports:

"Be advised that Op A logs from the top of the mountain arrive late and
some QSOs therefore may not be in the current online log until the next
upload. Overall, logs are uploaded about once a day.

If you have any missing QSOs from before January 27, he suggest that you
try to work them again. The HK0NA team apologizes for the inconvenience.

(sourced to southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

You can receive DATV signals in Hobart.

The Digital TV frequency of 446.5MHz is a standard DVB-T broadcast which
means that many standard and high definition set-top boxes and Digital TVs
may be able to tune into the broadcast.

A directional antenna pointed toward the VK7 domain, with a reasonable amount of gain and a set-top box or TV that can tune 446.5MHz is all you need.

(Justin, VK7TW)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

Provisional results of the 2011 Islands On The Air contest have now been published. Despite low sun-spots levels, the contest organisers received over 2,300 logs - the highest number yet - covering 632,000 QSOs and sufficient to enable them to adjudicate 75% of all QSOs.

The highest scoring station in the contest was the Bristol Contest Group GJ6YB who operated from Jersey and achieved a score of just under 15 million points from over 3,300 QSOs.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

VK leads the way for ILLW

Among the latest to join the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August is South Africa, with entries at Great Fish Point and Doring Bays lighthouses.

Australia on 31 is in the forefront with VK3 and VK4 ahead of VK2, VK7, VK5 and VK6.

Germany has a worthy 20 entries putting it ahead of the USA on 15, followed by England with nine.

Among the others are Argentina, Belgium, Chile, Denmark, France, Honduras, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Scotland, Sweden and Wales.

With only 22 countries and 115 entries so far there was a long way to go to last year's record of 55 countries and entries reaching 470.

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend a 48 hour fun event. For guidelines, an entry form and other information about August the 18th and 19th this year visit illw.net

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

54th JOTA report online

The report of the 54th Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) held October 15-16, 2011 is now available.

Read the report at
http://scout.org/en/content/download/26419/232112/file/wjr11on-line.pdf

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

This is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that the next Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's news and information bulletin will take place tomorrow at the usual times and on the usual frequencies. Everyone is cordially invited to listen and to call back afterwards.

To check times and frequencies for your area, visit the RAOTC website raotc.org.au

(Clive VK6CSW)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

World Radio Conference Geneva until 17th February

FEB 4 VK4 Bunya Mts & District AmCom Inc. Ham & Wine Fest 2012.

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

G'day Everyone, I'm Rod, VK2FVRJ, from the CCARC and here's some trivia for you,

The following events all have something in common

1935 - Robert Watson-Watt carries out a demonstration which leads directly to the development of RADAR in the United Kingdom.

1977 - First flight of the Space Shuttle takes place.

2011 - The space shuttle Discovery docked with the International Space Station for the last time.

So what do these events have to do with Amateur Radio?

They all happen on the 26th February, the same day as Amateur Radio's Big Day Out, the CCARC Field Day at Wyong.

So remember, the southern Hemisphere's largest AR event is just three weeks away, and there's nothing trivial about that!

Finally, here's one last piece of trivia for you, Australia's first "King" was born on the 26th February 1945. Our very own "King of the Mountain" - Peter Brock

That's all from the CCARC - See you at the Field Day!

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

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98. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 160] Special WRC Report Number Two

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[IARU-R2-News 160] Special WRC Report Number Two
2012-02-03

The procedures used by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) before and during a World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) seem complicated. They are somewhat complicated but they are understandable with a bit of background.

Each agenda item that will be decided at a WRC has been studied for at least 3 or 4 years leading up to a WRC. ITU Working Parties discuss the issues involved in the agenda item. Compatibility studies, sharing studies, experiments, etc. take place whenever needed so that discussions and decisions can be made based upon facts rather than opinions. Within a year prior to the start of a WRC an important meeting called the Conference Preparatory Meeting (CPM) occurs. The CPM report pulls together all of the information dealing with each of the agenda items and sets forth the various ways, if there is more than one, that an agenda item can be satisfied or decided. By the time of the CPM, most all of the arguments in favor of the agenda item and opposed to the agenda items have been thoroughly discussed in the many meetings that take place regarding each agenda item. When a national administration arrives at the WRC, decisions have generally been made by that administration whether to be in favor or opposed to any particular agenda items. However, it is usually not that clear cut. Some administrations may be in favor if certain adjustments or modifications are made to one or more of the proposed methods to satisfy the agenda item. In other words, discussions and negotiations really get started during the earlier stages of the WRC. For example, Administration X may withhold support or opposition on a specific proposal until other administrations agree to support Administration X.s position on other agenda items that Administration X is very interested in.

At the beginning of the WRC, each agenda item is assigned to a Sub-Working Group (SWG) to allow interested administrations and other interested attendees the opportunity to discuss the agenda item. This is the stage where most of the negotiations and compromises are made in order to arrive at a consensus as to how to decide the agenda item. The preferred way is to have a consensus by the SWG attendees. Many times the consensus is achieved by all parties realizing that the result may very well turn out to be a situation where "everyone is a little bit unhappy".

The flow of the work is that the output of the SWG goes to the Working Group level. After the WG (WG)level deals with the issue it moves to the Committee level. By the time the issue gets to the Committee level, revisions to the work done at the lower levels is generally not done. Once the agenda item passes the Committee level, it goes to the Plenary for two readings. If it passes the two readings the agenda item appears in the Final Acts of the WRC.

There are also times when a consensus by ALL parties is just not possible. An agenda item can move from the SWG stage to the Working Group stage where most administrations have reached a consensus on how to resolve the issue but there are still some administrations that are in favor of No Change (NOC).

Agenda Item 1.23. In the case of agenda item 1.23, there was a good deal of support among administrations at the SWG level for a secondary allocation to amateur radio just below 500 kHz. However, there was strong resistance by several administrations to the allocation based upon a stated concern that amateur operation in that portion of the spectrum could cause interference to Non-Directional Beacons. SWG 4C3 (the SWG dealing with agenda item 1.23) met 12 times over a period of ten days trying to arrive at a consensus on 1.23. Finally, a consensus was achieved on the issue by adding various footnotes dealing with the allocation that satisfied most of the administrations opposing the allocation. At the end of the day, there were still a couple of administrations opposing the allocation. As a result, the SWG elevated the issue to the Working Group level with 2 options to satisfy the agenda item:

1) a secondary allocation to the amateur service in the band 472-479 kHz with certain operating conditions set forth in footnotes to the allocation, or

2.) No Change (in other words, no amateur allocation).

The proposal that has been agreed to by most administrations that support the amateur allocation calls for a worldwide secondary allocation to the amateur service at 472 to 479 kHz with a power limit of 1 watt e.i.r.p., but with a provision for administrations to permit up to 5 watts e.i.r.p. for stations located more than 800 km from certain countries that wish to protect their aeronautical radionavigation service (non-directional beacons) from any possible interference. Proposed footnotes provide administrations with opportunities to opt out of the amateur allocation and/or to upgrade their aeronautical radionavigation service to primary if they wish to do so. In addition to these protections for aeronautical radionavigation, the amateur service must avoid harmful interference to the primary maritime mobile service.

At the Working Group meeting, there was no shifting of positions so the matter was elevated to the next level to Committee 4 with the same 2 options. The Committee 4 meeting takes place on Tuesday, 7 February. I will report on the results of that Committee 4 meeting but based

upon the results thus far, I am cautiously optimistic that the amateurs will have a new secondary allocation at 472-479 kHz.

Agenda Item 1.15. Another agenda item being carefully watched by the IARU is agenda item 1.15 dealing with oceanographic radar. One of the candidate bands for the placement of oceanographic radar is 5.250 to 5.275 MHz. There have been a number of administrations that have granted amateurs access to spectrum around 5 MHz. In fact, one of the bands listed by IARU as a future allocation is 5 MHz. If oceanographic radar is operating in the 5.250-5.275 MHz band, that may impact the ability of the amateurs to obtain an allocation in that area. The candidate bands have not been finalized as yet at the WRC.

Rod Stafford W6ROD
IARU Secretary - Region 2
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99. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 4 February 2012

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Rod Stafford W6ROD, Secretary International Amateur Radio Union, has
released a further report on WRC-12 taking place in Geneva

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K1JT addresses World Radiocommunication Conference

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Professor Joe Taylor, amateur radio operator K1JT and 1993 Nobel laureate
in physics, briefly addressed the plenary session of the 2012 ITU World
Radiocommunication Conference in Geneva, Switzerland, on February 3, 2012

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Khartoum Amateur Radio Satellite Ground Station

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Students at the University of Khartoum are undertaking a CubeSat project
KN-SAT1 and Nader, ST2NH has made a video of their recently completed
ground station

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Wythall Radio Rally 11th March 2012

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Wythall Radio Club will be holding their 27th Annual Radio Rally on Sunday
11th March at Woodrush Sports Centre, Shawhurst Lane, Hollywood,
Birmingham, B47 5JW

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Scotland to Australia with 5 Watts via long path

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A video posted on Youtube shows Callum, 2M0CYG in Scotland working a station in Australia using just 5 watts

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DCC - Amateur Radio Emergency Communications

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Curt Bartholomew N3GQ of the FCC gave a talk to the 2011 TAPR Digital Communications Conference about using digital modes in Amateur Radio Emcomm

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ARISS contact planned with technical college in Poland

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On Saturday February 4, 2012 at approximately 12.41 UTC, which is 13.41 CEWT, an educational ARISS contact is planned with the Polytechnic school in Walbrzych, Poland

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United Nations recommends IRESC for Special Status, one above the IARU status

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On the session’s third day, NGO Committee Recommends 15 Organizations for Special Consultative Status with Economic and Social Council, Postpones Action on 45

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Propagation de K7RA

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Here are some yearly averages this bulletin neglected at the beginning of the year

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New rules for 5 MHz (60 meters) to go into effect March 5

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On November 18, the FCC released a Report and Order, defining new rules for
the 60 meter (5 MHz) band

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3.4 GHz in Electronic Communications Committee Newsletter

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The February edition of the free ECC newsletter features an article on
mobile broadband in 3.4-3.8 GHz

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

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100. SARL News in English 4/2/2012

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that w&#65533; have to announce that the key of Henry Schoeman, ZS6AHS, became silent on 22 January in the age of 78 years. Years ago Henry compiled a question/answer type of study guide for the RAE and he also trained a number of radio amateurs. H&#65533; was a honorary life member of the Centurion Amateur Radio Club. For the last number of years he and his YL Rhoda stayed near Paarl with a son of theirs.

Our deepest condolences to Rhoda, their other relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

SUMBANDILASAT AMATEUR RADIO OPERATION MAY RESUME NEXT WEEK

SARL MEMBERSHIP CLOSE TO 1 600

NEW SARL FAX NUMBER

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SUMBANDILASAT AMATEUR RADIO OPERATION MAY RESUME NEXT WEEK

Ingenuity and innovation by the SumbandilaSat ground control team has resulted in bringing the satellite back to life with a real possibility that Amateur Radio communication may resume next month while the satellite is in sunlight.

The ground stations at SANSA Space operations at Hartbeeshoek and the Electronic Systems Laboratory at Stellenbosch University are receiving telemetry when the satellite's solar panels are illuminated by the sun.

Johann Lochner, ZR1CBC, said that in early June 2011, for an unknown reason (but probably related to a major radiation event on 7 June), the primary controller on the power distribution unit (PDU) powering the On-Board Computer (OBC) stopped responding to commands from the ground station.

It later appeared that the battery had failed and nothing was heard from the satellite for some time. The ground segment software to monitor the passes over South Africa and to contact the satellite to initiate the recovery procedure was automated. After a month contact was made again. This was mid November. "We set in place a planned recovery procedure and within 3-4 days we came to the conclusion that the main battery had failed", Johann said. With SumbandilaSat responding when it is in full sunlight Johan Lochner is confident that some operations will be restored even to the point where it may be possible to do some imaging and have the amateur radio transponder back in operation. More on recovery efforts are on line at www.amsatsa.org.za.

SARL MEMBERSHIP CLOSE TO 1 600

The SARL membership reached 1 563 today, welcome all new members. If you have not yet taken the right step to join SARL, the national body for amateur radio, do it now. Call Mariska on Monday at 011 675 2393.

NEW SARL FAX NUMBER

The SARL has a new fax number. It is 086 299 0566. The old number will still operate for some time. The new number is a fax to email service. The number again 086 299 0566

AMATEUR SEGMENT AT 500 kHz STILL IN THE RUNNING AT WRC12

Rod Stafford, W6ROD, secretary for the International Amateur Radio Union says from his vantage point, it appears that there are several member countries that are in favour of granting the amateur radio service an allocation somewhere in the 415 to 526,5 kHz range. It had been proposed to carve out a 15 kHz section for amateur use.

However, Stafford says those engaged in the discussions say there is a need to protect existing services. Stafford says in a report on the WRC proceedings so far that there appear to be a couple of options:

First, a secondary allocation of up to 15 kHz to the amateur radio service on a worldwide basis between 472 kHz and 487 kHz.

Second, two non-contiguous worldwide secondary allocations to the amateur radio service between 461 and 469 kHz and 471 to 478 kHz, totaling 15 kHz.

Third, a proposal for a worldwide secondary allocation of 8 kHz from 472 to 480 kHz.

He says some countries are concerned that non-directional beacons that operate in the spectrum could be subject to possible interference from any new allocations to amateur radio. Stafford's assessment is that its still early in the process to determine whether radio amateurs will succeed in getting the spectrum allocation.

At WRC12 there is another item of concern to amateur radio. It is a bid for oceanographic radar applications in the 3 to 50 MHz range. Stafford says the IARU's position is that the oceanographic radar applications are incompatible with the amateur and amateur satellite services in that range.

WRC-12 wraps up on 17 February.

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2012 SARL National Convention will be held in Pinetown from 20 t0 22 April at the Premier Hotel. The event kicks off with a finger supper at the Highway Clubhouse on Friday evening and a presentation highlighting how South Africa's electronic industry found it's origin in Pinetown and the local development off SSB.

The AGM will be held on Saturday morning at the Premier Hotel followed by a light lunch and two presentations covering VHF antennas and Logbook of the World. The Awards banquet will also be held at the Premier Hotel.

The SARL National Convention will conclude with a breakfast at the Japanese Gardens.

The full programme and booking details will be available on www.sarl.org.za from early next week.

JOIN THE INTECNET TONIGHT

The first INTECNET of 2012 will be held this evening, Sunday 5 February, at 19:30. History will be made when this will be the first INTECNET that will be joined by members of the Namibian Amateur Radio League. The NARL repeater in Windhoek will be linked giving Namibian amateurs the opportunity to participate in the discussions.

The subject will be "Greater DXing with propagation forecasting". Two speakers will be looking at the science of forecasting and practical applications. Dr Donald Danskin from the Geomagnetic Lab in Ottawa, Canada will lead-in the discussion with an overview of how HF forecasts are made. He is currently a visiting scientist at SANSA Space Sciences at Hermanus. Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, will look at the practical aspects of using propagation forecast and how to put them to best use. The discussion will also be available on Echolink.

CLUB NEWS

The Overberg Amateur Radio Club will be operating a field station in the Malagas area on the Breede River during the Field Week End competition. Please contact Andre, ZS1AZ, at 072 729 1680 for further information and directions.

The ZS6KTS repeater is now active on 145,162 5/145,762 5 MHz for a test period. Everyone is invited to submit comments/reports to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za and also to vivdold@bestwebs.co.za.

COMPETITION NEWS

SARL National Field Day

The aim of the SARL National Field Day is to work as many stations as possible and in doing so to learn to operate in abnormal situations in less than optimal conditions. A premium is placed on developing skills to meet the challenges of emergency preparedness as well as to acquaint the public with the capabilities of Amateur Radio. The first leg of the Field Day will take place on the second full weekend of February - 10:00 UTC Saturday 11 February to 10:00 UTC Sunday 12 February 2012.

Activity is on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres using Phone, CW and Digital modes. There are five categories of participation, namely: Class A - Field Station -Multi operator: Class B - Field Station -Multi operator - QRP: Class C - Field Station -Single Operator; Class D - Field Station -Single Operator - QRP Class E - General stations.

The exchange is the Number of transmitters, Field Day operating Class and Province, e.g. 3AFS = 3 transmitters, Class A in the Free State.

Logs must be sent by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or by post to the SARL National Field Day, Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324. The closing date for your log submission is 19 February 2012. The full set of rules can be found on Page 24 of the 2012 SARL Contest Manual.

LEAP YEAR CHALLENGE

You are invited to take part in the Leap Year Challenge on Wednesday 29 February 2012 and make as many contacts as you can on this day. The challenge starts at 00:01 and ends at 23:59 CAT with phone, CW and digital activity on all bands - HF, VHF, UHF and microwaves. Work a station once only regardless of band, mode or call sign.

Submit your log by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za by midnight Friday 2 March 2012. A SARL membership is up for grabs for the log received with the most QSOs made.

If you do not take part, you will have to wait until 2016 to put the date 29 February into your logbook!

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at low levels. All of the sunspots on the Earth's side of the sun are quiet.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 64.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m and especially 15 m will provide lots of DX fun with the higher bands typically opening first and the lower bands opening later during the day.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

5 February - ANTIQUE WIRELESS ASSOCIATION CW ACTIVITY DAY 5 February - Intecnet tonight at 19:30 CAT. 11 - 12 February - SARL Field Day contest 19 February - last day for submitting logs for SARL field day contest 20 February - Last day for submission of logs for Antique Wireless Association CW activity day. 29 February - Leap year Challenge from 00:01 till 23:59. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

Remember, nominations for SARL awards, which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM may still be submitted. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

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Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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During the 2012 Visali DX Convention, look for the Top-Band Dinner Banquet
to take place on Friday, April 20th, at the Convention Hotel, Holiday Inn,
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The first INTECNET of 2012 will be held this evening, Sunday 5 February, at
19:30. History will be made as this will be the first INTECNET that will be
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Field day is approaching once again. The event commences at 1500 (local time) on Saturday, February 25, with a break from 2400 until 0600 Sunday, then concludes at 1500

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

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Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at low levels

103. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 5 February 2012

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Christ another one...you would think this was a newsgroup or something
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104. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 5th February 2012

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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 5th February 2012

Echo Ireland

The February issue of Echo Ireland will be going to print in the coming days. You still have time to submit news items, members advertisements etc. for inclusion. Material should be sent to ei4bz at eircom /dot /net

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IRTS AGM & Rally 2012

The IRTS AGM, Annual Dinner and Rally this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society at the Fairways Hotel on the weekend of April 21st & 22nd 2012. Please keep your diaries free for this special event in our 80th Anniversary year celebrations.

IRTS Request for Return of Trophies

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2011 IRTS, AGM in Limerick.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday 12th February. or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2012.

This will allow for engraving to be done and allow for repairs if necessary.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX at ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/net

Nominations For Awards for IRTS Trophies.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for, 1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2 Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Jim EI4HH, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/ net

Closing date for nominations is 29th February 2012.

IRTS 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary this year 2012. Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2012 have just been announced. Full rules and information are available at www.irts.ie/cqir or by email to cqir /at /irts / dot/ie

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Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club will meet in the River Room at the Commons Inn, New Mallow Road in Cork City at 8.00 p.m. on Monday next February 6th. Computer logging in the shack will be the theme of the meeting and some popular logging packages will be demonstrated and evaluated. The special call sign EI100T has been issued for the year 2012 to commemorate the 100th sinking of the Titanic and Cork Radio Club members will operate the station from Cobh throughout the year. The main Titanic event will happen over the weekend of April 13/14th and everyone is encouraged to visit the special event station in Cobh. Information on EI100T from Cormac EI4HQ QTHR. Further information on Cork Radio Club is available from Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710. Visitors and new members will be very welcome at the Commons Inn on February 6th.

Limerick Radio Club

The Annual General Meeting of Limerick Radio Club will be hold on Wednesday 8 February 2012 in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm and all paid up members are requested to attend.

Rally: Limerick Radio Club rally will be held on Sunday March 11th 2012 at the Radisson Blue Hotel on the Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11am and all the usual traders will attend. Bring and Buy tables can be ordered from Dermot Gleeson EI2GT.

Practical Wireless

Practical Wireless is celebrating its 80 th anniversary this year. Rob Mannion G3FXD/EI5IW, Editor of PW, will be on the air from his home QTH with the callsign GB80PW on the second Thursday of each month, PW publication day, during 2012 on 7 and 14MHz mainly using s.s.b. and PSK31. Hours of operation will be from 1000 to 1600 UTC. Next Thursday, the 9 th, is the second Thursday in February so have a listen on 7 MHz. IRTS send best wishes to Practical Wireless on the occasion of its 80th year of publication.

Galway Radio Experimenters Club

The Galway Radio Experimenters Club will be holding their next meeting in the Anno Santo hotel in Salthill on Monday 6th of February at 8pm. On the night Enda (ei2ii) will be giving a demonstration on the advantages of computerising the ham shack. Beginning with getting the most from your logging software to propagation prediction and DXClusters. Should anybody wish to have help setting up software please feel free to bring along your laptop on the night. We would like to welcome any interested amateurs, SWLs or indeed anyone with an interest in amateur radio

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 27 February at 8:00 p.m. in the Roanmore GAA Club, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. Members are asked to attend and as always, visitors are welcome.

Please note that membership renewals for 2012 are now due. Membership costs 30 Euro and is available at a reduced rate of 20 Euro for pensioners, students and the unemployed. Please pass your payment on to any committee member or you can renew at the AGM on 27 February. Those who paid in November or December are fully paid up for 2012.

For information about the group, visit www.searg.com and you can also follow SEARG on Facebook and Twitter.

DX News

A large group of German operators will be active from Niue Island in the Pacific until 17 February. They are using the callsign ZK2C and can be found on all bands 160 - 6m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL manager is DL7JAN.

The American military base of Guantanamo Bay on the south-east coast of Cuba will be quite active over the coming month. This separate DXCC entity will see at least 6 stations on the air with the KG4 prefix.

Franco I1FQH will operate as 5V7V from Togo in west Africa until 17 February. He will be mainly found on the low bands and QSLs go via his home call and Logbook of the World.

Two Polish amateurs will activate 3B8GY from Mauritius until 25 February. They will use CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL info is via SP2JMB.

Laci, HA0NAR, and his wife Susanne, HA0SR, will be active as FW0NAR from Uvea Island (aka Wallis, OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389, WW Loc. AH16VS) between now and February 20th. For updates, watch the FW0NAR Blog page at: http://fw0nar.blogspot.com

Meanwhile the Mapelo Island DXpedition (call sign HK0NA) continues, with big signals into Europe on many bands. So far there are almost 100 EI call signs in the log, 15, 17 and 20 metres being the best bands to hear HK0NA in Ireland. Not surprisingly, Top Band QSOs to EI have been few and far between, Doug EI2CN and John EI7BA being the only EIs with 160 metre QSOs in the log at the time of writing. The Mapelo Island DXpedition continues until next Friday, 10th February.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

105. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-006E - Ontario Section restructuring Update

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RAC Bulletin 2012-006E - Ontario Section restructuring Update
2012-01-05

As announced in Radio Amateurs of Canada Bulletin 2011-021E, a RAC Ontario Section Restructuring Commission was appointed by President Geoff Bawden on the advice of the Vice President for Field Services and with the support of the Board, with the objective of "improving representation to our members and to ensure that the task of our Section Managers is realistic in terms of member access and service". The Commission was tasked to "determine the most effective number of Section Managers and other positions as well as any further such regional divisions which may be required". The difficulties of effectively managing such a large geographical area as Ontario were well known and the need for a greater number of sections had been discussed at various levels for some years.

Under the chairmanship of Bill Unger VE3XT (Ontario Director North/East), the Commission commenced its proceedings on August 7, 2011. The other members of the Commission are Jeff Stewart VA3WXM (Ontario Director South), Dave Hayes VE3JX (Algoma ARC), Vic Henderson VE3FOX (Peel ARC), Al Boyd, VE3AJB (current Ontario Section Manager and Pat Barrett VE3RNH (Barrie ARC). Dave, Vic, Al and Pat are active participants in the ARES. Also included in the deliberations was Ian Snow, VA3QT, special advisor to the Vice President of Field Services and Doug Mercer, VO1DM Vice President of Field Services for RAC. To the best of its ability the Commission sought input from the Ontario clubs and individual Amateurs.

The Commission recognized that Section Managers are elected by the membership to manage a range of RAC programs. They report on Section operations through the Vice President Field Services, who is accountable to the President for the overall operation of the Field Organization, but like the Regional Director, the Section Manager holds overall responsibility within their Section. The Commission also recognized that Ontario is a large province, that Field Services may have different responsibilities based on where in the Province they are located, and that it has proven difficult for one person to coordinate all programs across the province. It recommended that the existing relationship between ARES Districts and EMO Sectors should continue to be respected. Finally, the task force recognized that VPFS has instituted an advisory Council composed of the Section Managers to coordinate Field Organization activities nationally.

The Commission recommended that Ontario be divided into four sections: Ontario North, Ontario East, Ontario South, and the Greater Toronto Area. The Toronto District ARES Coordinator will retain responsibility for the operation of the ARES station located within the Provincial EOC. The Commission recommended that the four Ontario SM.s meet in the form of an Ontario Council to coordinate activities at the provincial level, selecting from amongst themselves a Chairman.

The provincial council will be responsible for the Field Organization administrative functions that sensibly belong at the provincial level, and will appoint appropriately qualified Amateurs to represent the Council to provincial government authorities, non-government organizations (NGO) and external agencies, within the authority vested in the Field Organization.

The Commission recommended that initially the new Section Managers be appointed by the VPFS from qualified persons recommended by the membership. The SM terms would be staggered so that two are elected each odd year and the other two in even years. (Each SM term of office is two years.) The formal Commission Report is available at the RAC website at
http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/public-service/field-org-review/files/120122%20Ont%20Restructure%20Report.pdf.

The RAC Board of Directors approved the Commission's report and recommendations on 26 January, 2012. A consultation process with the Ontario clubs will be initiated immediately for the purpose of soliciting nominations for the interim Section Manager appointments. All Ontario Amateurs are encouraged to contribute to this consultation through their local clubs. If that is not possible, Amateurs may forward their nomination to CFSO (VO1DTM at RAC dot CA). Please recognize that under the Constitution of Radio Amateurs du/of Canada a requirement for appointment/election is that the candidate be a RAC member in good standing.

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President

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Jeffery Stewart VA3WXM
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106. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1048

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th-January, through Sunday, 5th-February there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/m, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/m, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZK3, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1006 GRIDS ON THE BIRDS. A special congratulations goes out to OPDX's Webmaster John Papay, K8YSE, for reaching 1006 confirmed grids for his satellite VUCC award!

3W, VIETNAM. Jacek, SP5APW, is expected to visit Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) between March 7-12th. He has applied for the callsign 3W4JK. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using SSB, PSK31 and RTTY, with possible operations on 6 meters. He mentions that he will use a Elecraft K3 with microKEYER II and Buddipole antennas. For updates, watch Jacek's Blog page at: http://as-128.blogspot.com

5H, TANZANIA. Chas, NK8O/VE3ISD, has traveled to Mwanza on Lake Victoria for several years working there but has never operated any amateur radio from Tanzania. Look for him for the first time to operate as 5H9CP between June 11-22nd. Chas states, "I am primarily a CW operator. QRP and straight key operators, please be ready! After fighting through pile-ups with my QRP station at home, I understand the challenges. The rig on this trip will be an Elecraft KX3 and antenna arrays will depend on the trees, how high I can get the ropes to go, and whether a dipole, loop, or vertical will be the best for the site from which I choose to operate. Times and frequencies will be published [QRZ.com] before my departure for Tanzania, but they definitely will not be written in stone. Operating times will depend entirely on my responsibilities and schedule at the Nyakato Health Center." QSL via NK8O.

5V, TOGO. Franco, I1FQH, will once again be active from Kpalime Village in central Togo, but this time as 5V7V (last year he was 5V7DX). Activity will be between February 5-17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using a 20-10 meters Spiderbeam, and on 160-80m and 40-30m using a homebrew vertical. There was mention that he will have an emphasis on lower bands. His rig will be a K3 w/KL500 solid state amplifier and a Yaesu FT-817 for 6 meters. QSL via the LoTW (preferred) or via his home callsign, direct (w/SASE) or by the Bureau. Visit the 5V7V Web page (with an online log check) at: http://www.mdxc.org/5v7v
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Before going to print, the "DX-World.net" is reporting that Franco, I1FQH, appears to have received some equipment damaged upon arrival due to severe turbulence affecting the aircraft. Franco is now seeing if he can repair anything with the limited means available in Togo.

6Y, JAMAICA. Allen, N2KW, will be active as 6Y0A between March 5-23rd, with as much fishing as radio. He tells OPDXX that he will be a serious entry in the Commonwealth Contest [BERU] (March 10-11th). Outside of the contest, his preference is CW, and he will try to work areas that are "propagation challenged" to the Caribbean. QSL via Kappy, WA4WTG. Kappy is a stamp collector, so please put your unwanted stamps in the envelope. Allen will also upload his log to LoTW.

7P, LESOTHO (Early Announcement). Gert, ZS6AYU, will be active as 7P8GF during next year between February 5-7th and sometime in May in 2013. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, CW only and using just 100 watts into a vertical. QSL via ZS6AYU (see QRZ.com).

9H, MALTA. Zoltan, HA5PP, will be active as 9H3PP during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 15 or 10m) entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on 6 and 12 meters, and possibly 17 meters. Zoli informs OPDX that this will be a short operation (3-4 days), and he will leave the Thursday after the contest. QSL via

HA5PP.

A3, TONGA (Update). Haru, JA1XGI, will be active as A35XG from Tonga between April 2-9th, 2012. Activity will be on 20-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 10115, 14015, 18080, 21015, 24895 and 28015 kHz
SSB - 14175, 18135, 21260, 24940 and 28450 kHz
DATA - 10140, 14088, 18102, 21088, 24920 and 28088 kHz

He is expected to use a IC 7000 into a 2 element beam and a fishing rod antenna system on the HF bands. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. Haru informs OPDX that he now has a Web page up for his A35XG operation at:
http://www.geocities.jp/a35xgtonga

AFRICAN TOUR (Update). Luc, F5RAV, is expected to be active as 6V7T from 6W7RV's QTH in Somone, Senegal, between February 24th and March 7th. During his stay, Luc plans to be in the REF and ARRL contests. After his operation in Senegal, look for him to be active as C5LT (not C56/F5RAV as first announced) from Kololi, The Gambia, between February 27th and March 2, 2012. Original announcement stated that Francisco, EA1BT, is expected to be with him. Activity from both locations should be on SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign only direct with 2 USDs or IRC with a SAE. NO BUREAU QSLS, and PLEASE do not QSL via Africa.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Bob/N4BP (C6AKQ), Kevin/K4PG (C6APG) and Brian/K7RE (C6ALK) will be in Freeport, Lucaya, Bahamas (NA-080, WLOTA 0527), for the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-Single entry signing C6AKQ. QSL via N4BP direct. They will arrive on February 13th and depart on February 20th. Prior to the contest, they will be operating on the 30/17/12 meter bands, HF bands using CW and probably the Digital modes. QSL via operator's home callsign. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators George, K4IIO/GM0IIO, will be active as C6AZZ between March 1-8th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, mainly CW with some SSB. His activity will also include the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). QSL via K4IIO.

CN, MOROCCO. Richard, F8FGU, will be active as CN2RN from High Atlas, Morocco (IM72ER), between April 3-30th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

CO, CUBA. Luis, CO6LP, will be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m) entry. QSL via CO6LP.

CQ NEWS. From the CQ Newsroom... "Armond Noble, N6WR, founder and publisher of WorldRadio magazine for 37 years, died February 1st in Sacramento, California after a short illness.
Noble, publisher of Sacramento-based International Travel News magazine, was hospitalized about two months ago, according to Editor David Tykol,

< http://www.intltravelnews.com/>.
WorldRadio was published monthly from July 1971 until the end of 2008, when Noble sold the magazine to Hicksville, New York-based CQ Communications, Inc. With its February 2009 edition, it was renamed WorldRadio Online and became the first online-only major amateur radio publication.
Noble had a long and distinguished career in communications. From 1953 to 1955 he served in the U.S. Army with a VHF radio relay unit. He went on to positions at commercial radio and TV stations around the United States, including: KTWO-TV and KATI in Casper, Wyoming; KOOK-TV, Billings, Montana; KTVB, Boise, Idaho; KERO-TV, Bakersfield, California, WOOD-TV, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and KCRA Radio in Sacramento.
During the Vietnam War, Noble was a reporter-photographer for TIME magazine and the Milwaukee Journal. He also served in the TIME-LIFE bureau in Sacramento."

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Adam/DJ0IF and Mek/SP7VC will be active as CR3L from Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators will be active as CT9/homecall before and after the contest. They are expected to be there between February 29th and March 7th. QSL via their home callsigns. Checkout the CR3L station's Web page at: http://www.cr3l.de

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND. Reports indicate that an international group of 10 operators will activate St. Paul Island (NA-094) during the middle part of 2012. More details are forthcoming.

DIAMOND DXCC Challenge. Some have noticed that the current operation from the entity Nauru (C21HA) can not be found on the 1937 ARRL Diamond DXCC entity list -- that is because it is NOT there and will not count toward the award. If you go to the bottom of the January 3, 2012, entity list for the Diamond DXCC Challenge Award, it states - "Note: The intent of this 75th anniversary award is to capture the essence and spirit of the first DXCC List with a fun operating activity that allows us to look back and appreciate the wonderful geography of Amateur Radio. We don't intend to try to fit every existing scrap of land into one of the 1937 entities. Some stations we work today will not count towards any entity from 1937. Nor do some of the places we have chosen to represent a certain entity fully match what existed in 1937." The few glitches initially found were corrected on their January 3, 2012, list. It looks like anything after that will just be ignored. If you can't find it specifically on the January 3, 2012, list, it doesn't count, period.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. John, N5JB, will be active as E51NJB from the South Cook Islands (specific island was not provided) between February 13-21st (possibly through the 25th). Activity will be mainly CW and he plans to be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or N5JB.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Jean-Pierre, F6ITD, will once again be active as FG/F6ITD from Guadeloupe and two islands between February 9th and March 13th. Activity will be on SSB and the Digital modes. He plans to visit the following two islands in the IOTA NA-102 group: Basse Terre Island

(February 9-20th) and La Desirade Island (February 20th-March 13th).
QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

FM/TO5, MARTINIQUE. Valery, R5GA, will be active as FM/R5GA between February 13-20th. Activity will probably be on CW mainly and on 160-10 meters, especially on the 30/17/12 meters. His activity will also include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry and using the callsign TO5X. QSL via LoTW or via UA3DX.

FR/TO2, REUNION ISLAND (Update). Stephane "Stef", F5UOW, will once again be active as FR/F5UOW from Reunion Island (AF-016) between March 24th and April 14th. During this period he will also use the callsign TO2R between March 26th and April 9th. Activity will be limited to his free time on 40-10 meters mostly on CW. QSL via F5UOW, direct or by the Bureau.

FROZEN NEWS FROM RADIO ARCALA, CR2X, OH8X AND OH0X. Jarmo, OH2BN, sent out the following press release on February 1st: "It is today, February 1st, when the Northern Village of Arcala is gripped by an arctic frost weighing down on the massive antenna structures. The thermometer has hit a 2012 low - an icy reading of minus 27 C (minus 16.6 F) which makes the towers turn rather slowly. Slow are the movements of those frozen people as well.
Radio Arcala has decided to send the Frozen Four (FF) of OH2BH, OH2MM, OH2PM and OH8NC to more southerly latitudes as their balancing act. FF will soon embark on a three week long operating stint taking them to the Azores to activate CR2A and CR2X along with CU2KG and CU2KH in a variety of configurations in the ARRL CW & SSB Contests, in addition to the CQWW 160M SSB Contest.
Up in the Frozen North, their mothership OH8X will be piloted by OH6KZP in the ARRL CW Contest and by OH6UM in the ARRL SSB Contest. Moreover, the team of OH6CT, OH8WW, OH8KTN and OH8GDU will be at the controls in the WPX RTTY Contest on February 11-12. Please note that Kim, OH6KZP, 33, is the latest addition to the team at Radio Arcala. See <www.radioarcala.com>
Additionally, their associate station OH0X from Aland Islands will be activated by Pekka, OH2TA, in the ARRL CW Contest.
As Radio Arcala is now celebrating their 5th anniversary, the WPX SSB Contest of March 24-25 is scheduled to be featured as an all-out team effort when OH8X members, local and overseas, will be gathering at the Northern Village of Arcala to set their strategy for the next few years, using a special callsign to be released at a later date. OH8/CU2CE and OH8/CU2DX will also be activated.
Please note that Radio Arcala is in the process of including a remote station section along with discussing the future of Amateur Radio through their Mission X, both tentatively presented at their website. <www.radioarcala.com>
And finally, QSLing for the 2011 Market Reef, OJ0X activities are well underway and 80 percent of direct QSL requests have been answered. With the completion of this phase, over the next few weeks, the OJ0X log will be posted at LoTW.
CR2A/CR2X QSL via OH2BH

OG8X/OH8X QSL via OH2UA
OH0X QSL via OH2TA "

FW0/TW0, WALLIS & FUTUNA (Update). Laci, HA0NAR, and his wife Susanne, HA0SR, are currently active as FW0NAR from Uvea Island (aka Wallis, OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389, WW Loc. AH16VS). It seems that they will be able to reach Futuna Island (OC-118) for a few days during the next week. As their baggage is very limited, they report that they will only run 100 watts and use a multiband wire antenna from there. Activity is planned for 40-10 meters, mainly on CW. Due to the very limited condition there, they request that only one QSO for each station will be accepted. No multiply contacts with the Futuna Island station please! Also, online log updating will be also provided daily from there. QSL for both FW0NAR and TW0F via Laci HA0NAR. For updates, watch the FW0NAR Blog page at: http://fw0nar.blogspot.com

H44, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Noel, W1XB, will be active as H44XB from the Solomon Islands between February 7-28th. Activity is expected to be limited to his spare time and from Guadalcanal Island (OC-047). Operations will be QRP (5 watts) on 20/15/10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

HK0, MALPELO ISLAND (Update). By the time you read this, the HK0NA DXpedition should be QRT (UPDATE - QRTed at 1647z, Feb. 5th). They were expected to dismantle the last four stations mid-day on Sunday and planned for a sunset departure on the boat back to Buenaventura. The DXpedition team expected to break the record set by VP6DX of 183,686 QSOs by a comfortable margin at the end of their operation. As of print time, the final comments by the HK0NA team state that they have worked over 190k QSO.
The HK0NA log shows (per ClubLOG dated Feb. 5th, at 1646z): 192089 Total QSOs and 43176 with Unique Calls. Mode breakdown: 85229/CW, 90775/SSB and 16082/RTTY. Continent breakdown: 1554/AF, 6/ANT, 14207/AS, 78909/EU, 89088/NA, 1480/OC and 6845/SA. Remember, QSL cards will be available four ways: OQRS DIRECT DIRECT MAIL W/SASE/GS/IRC(s)
OQRS BUREAU QSL BUREAU
Use only ONE of the above ways to save them a lot of extra work. Should you choose to QSL directly to N2OO via direct mail, send your QSO information and SASE/GS/IRC(s) to: Bob Schenck, N2OO, QSL Manager for HK0NA, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087-0345, USA. The DXpedition team intends to upload the HK0NA log to "Logbook of the World" (LoTW) about 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via eQSL.

NA-189. Look for a team of ten operators to be active as XF1AA from Isla Isabel between March 16-21th. Activity will be on CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via IT9EJW.

J3, GRENADA. Operators Bill/K4LTA and XYL Ruby/K4UPS will be active as J38A and J37RO, respectively, from Grenada Island between February 8th and March 7th. Activity will be active on 160-10 meters. Look for Bill to be active as J38A during the ARRL DX CW Contests (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to their home callsign. NO Bureau.

J8, ST. VINCENT. Dave, G3TBK, will once again be active as J88DR between February 15th and March 14th. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He will also be in the RSGB's 74rd Commonwealth Contest (March 11-12th). Activity outside of the contest will be on all HF bands, especially 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via G3TBK, direct or by the RSGB Bureau.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 30th-February 5th)....
Feb/06th AN Feb/09th HN-AN Feb/11th HN-AN
Feb/07th AN Feb/10th HN-AN Feb/12th AN-HN
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Sosho, JA4JWD, will be active from here between February 12-16th. Callsign TBA. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using mainly SSB and the Digital modes - perhaps some CW. QSL via JA4JWD.

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Randy/N0TG and Jeff/N1SNB will be active as NP2/N0TG and NP2/N1SNB, respectively, from St. Croix (NA-106) between March 7-14th. Activity will be on all bands and modes including 60 meters. QSL via N0TG, direct or Online Request (www.N0TG.com).

P4, ARUBA. Andy, AE6Y, will be active as P49Y from Aruba (SA-036) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW or AE6Y.

PA100, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Fred, PA0FAW, will activate special event station PA100NOM between March 1-28th. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Open Air Museum in Arnhem. QSL via PA0FAW. (Direct, Bureau and eQSL.cc - No LoTW).

PJ2, CURACAO. Operators Jan-Willem/PA7JWC and YL Monique/PD7DB will be active as PJ2/homecall from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between April 2-9th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via LoTW or to their home callsigns. More details and updates

are available at: http://www.pa7jwc.nl

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated January 29th and February 5th)

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4U1WRC via 4U1ITU ED9NA via EA9GW OD5PY via KU9C
5H3CMG via ZR6CMG EK3GM via IK2QPR OP1V via ON4UDO
5P6Q/P via OZ7ADZ EK85GM via EK7DX OX/K8GU via K8GU
5P12EU via OZ0J EK85TA via EK7DX PJ2/K8ND via K8ND
6V7S via UA1OMX EK85ZZ via EK7DX PJ4M via DJ7JC
9A201CTL via 9A1CTL EM0BSCC via UU0JM PP1AAA via PT2AA
9Q0HQ/7 via UV5EVJ EM0UBC via UR4UXD PS5F via PP5BZ
AH0J via JA1NVF EM4IFF via US5IQ RK3FWD via RD3FI
AX8NSB via M0URX EZ7V via RW6HS T88ME via 7N1RTO
CE2/VE7SV via VE7WY GB0PLB via MWORHD TM9AAW via F8DVD
CE8/DJ8QP via DJ8QP HB9/RV3DH via RV3DH TN2T via M0URX
CT8/HB9CQL via HB9CQL HF8J via SQ8JLA UP2L via UA9AB
CX7CO via WB3CDX HF15SRKJ via SP8KLJ V5/DK2WH via DK2WH
D2EB via IZ3ETU HG7SNOW via HA7PL VK/VA7DIN/MM via
VA7DIN
DM800ANH via DM7DX (Bureau) IP2ANT via IK2QPR VQ9JC via ND9M
DR950RZ via DL5HAQ J38AZ via 8P6AZ ZS1FZ via DJ3VV
EA5URO via EA5HOX KP2/KC5WXA via KC5WXA ZV5AJT via JH1AJT
ED1R via EA4RCH NA1AA/KH2 via JL3LSF

PLEASE NO GS! Mike, UK8OM, requests that DXers "not" send green stamps
(GS) to Uzbekistan -- they will just be stolen. If anyone would like
to send a QSL to Uzbekistan direct, they should send only IRCs.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: AP2IA, DG5LAC, DH3MIT, ES3ACV, JA0FVU, LS1D,
LU4FM, MU/F5CWU, OK1FIM, RA2FF, T32C, TN2T, UA9CGL, V44KAI, VE5KS,
VP6T and ZL1ALZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3A2LF, 3D2SJ, 3XY1D, 5N6/YL2SW, 5V7TT, 8R1AK,
9A1P, 9H1SP, 9N7MD, 9Y4LAS, E51MAN, E51NOU, EK3GM, EK6TA, EU1UN, JD1BLY,
JY4CI, KC4/K2ARB, KC4/WA2DKJ, RI1FJA, T32C, TG9ANF, TU2T, UK9AA, UN9GD,
VE8EV, VP2MTA, VP2MWG, VP2V/K6TOP, W1M, ZA1G and ZD7JC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4B1MW, 5J0A, 5V7SI, 6V7Z, 8Q7SV, 9G5SI,
9L7NS, 9U0A, CT8/DL7JAN, DR1A, FJ/W2VQ, FJ/WQ2N, FO8RZ, H7/AJ9C, HQ3Z,
JV1A, JV5A, OD5/DL6SN, P40W, OS3XR, PJ2/DL8OBQ, RA2FF, SX24VIO, SY9VHF,
T32AJ, TI7KK, TO7ZG, TY2SI, V31MD, VP2MUM, XE1AJ, XE1IH, XE1REW, XZ1DB,
YK9SV, YV200ARV and ZL7NV

S7, SEYCHELLES. Operators Tom/DL5NEN and XYL Claudia/DO5NEN will be
active as S79NEN from Mahe (AF-024) and La Digue Islands (AF-024) between
March 12-28th. They are calling this a "Honeymoon Dxpedition". Look for
activity to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). QSL via DO5NEN.

T8, PALAU. Operators Kazu/JA1IST and Masami/JA9BFM will be active as
T88ZO and T88ZT, respectively, from Koror Island (OC-009) between February

10-20th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. Kazu informs that he will listen 3-10 kHz UP. He also states, "Please always call me with your FULL CALLSIGN and please follow my instructions otherwise your call will be in the BLACK LIST." QSL T88ZT via JA3HZT. QSL T88ZO via JA1IST, by the Bureau or direct. All QSLs will be sent via the Bureau, but if you need his QSL directly, please send your QSL with a SAE and 1 IRC or 2 USDs or 2 Euros to: K. Naguro, 2620-1-711 Nijyo-Fukui, Itoshima, Fukuoka 819-1631, JAPAN. Kazu will upload his log to LoTW, eQSL and Clublog after returning to home.

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators Bob/W4OWY and Tom/AA9A will be active as V25WY and V25AA, respectively, from Antigua (NA-100) between February 14-22nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. Look for V25AA to be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

V5, NAMIBIA. Mathew, DJ2HD, will once again be active as V5/DJ2HD between March 17-27th. Activity will probably be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, but with a focus on 160/80/40m and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign (see QRZ.com). ADDED NOTE: Operators Winfried/DK9IP, Suad/DK6XZ and Tobias/DH1TW will join Mathew and be active as V55V during the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). QSL V55V via DJ8VC.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Jim, K4FW, will once again be heading to Kwajalein Island (OC-028) in March because of his job with the Orbital Sciences Corporation. He works with the Pegasus launch vehicle. More specifically, as the Launch Panel Operator (LPO) and is part of the flight crew on the Orbital's L-1011. Jim will be using the Kwajalein club station on the island and will once again sign V73FW. QSL via K4FW.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISLAND (VP6T QRT). After 11.5 days of continuous operations, the VP6T team went QRT on February 1st, at 1640z. The final upload of logs to CLUBLOG and LoTW were expected before they set sail to Mangareva (OC-063) where they are planning to give out more QSOs as TX6T/p. The operations from Mangareva are expected by the time you read this, weather dependent. QSO count for VP6T (per ClubLOG) are: 56287 Total QSOs and 17049 with Unique Calls. Mode breakdown: 33095/CW, 18897/SSB and 4295/RTTY. Continent breakdown: 476/AF, 3/ANT, 9801/AS, 16091/EU, 27185/NA, 1015/OC and 1716/SA. QSL via G3TXF, direct or by the Bureau, LoTW and OQRS. More details are available on their Web site at: http://www.vp6t.org

XX9, MACAU. Nine members of the "A DX Group" (ADXG) will be active from Coloane Island (AS-075, WW Grid OL62SC) between May 17-23rd. Operators mentioned are Ruben/EA5BZ (Team leader), Jose/EA1ACP, Jose/EB5BBM, Pasqua/EA5CEE, Fernando/EA5FX, Biel/EA6DD, Francoisco/EA7FTR, David/EB7DX and Adrian/F5VLY. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY, with at least 3 stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3523, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24893 and 28023 kHz
SSB - 1825, 3780, 7065/7160, 14145, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24921 and 28080 kHz
6M - 50103/CW and 50115/SSB kHz

A survey is available on their Web page for most wanted bands/modes.
The group's callsign will not be announced until the beginning of their
DXpedition. QSL via EB7DX, direct or by the Spanish Bureau. All QSOs will
be confirmed via LoTW. For more details and updates, visit the ADXG Web
page at: http://www.adxg.org/xx9

ZA, ALBANIA. Tevfik, TA1HZ, will once again be active as ZA1TC from Durres
(thanks to Fatos/ZA1FD) between March 23-26th. Activity will be on 80-10
meters using a Kenwood TS570D, FD-4 Multi-Band Windom antenna and 80m
dipole. Operations also include an entry in CQWW WPX SSB Contest. During
his spare time from the contest, he will try to work some PSK31, especially
on 30 meters. More details and QSL info are available on QRZ.com and the
TCSWAT Web page.

ZK2, NIUE (Reminder/Update). A group of German operators will be active
as ZK2C from Namukulu, Niue (OC-040, WFF ZLFF-021, WLOTA 2139), between
February 5/6-17th. Operators mentioned are Heidi/DK1MA, Sid/DM2AYO, Rolf/
DL7VEE, Jan/DL7JAN, Klaus-Dieter/DK1AX, J�rgen/DF1AL, Heye/DJ9RR, Dietmar/
DL2HWA and Uwe/DJ9HX. Activity will be on all bands 160-6 meters using
CW, SSB and RTTY, with three stations on air simultaneously using 500
watt solid state amplifiers and various antennas. QSL via DL7JAN, by the
Bureau or direct or OQRS. Online log will be available at ClubLog. For
more information and updates, visit their Web site at:
http://zk2c.hkmann.de

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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107. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 5 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-06 08:16:53 UTC
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Message-ID: <tMSdnUdr_qPuEbLSnZ2dnUVZ7sGdnZ2d@bt.com>
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> Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

You're doing a great job, mate. Better than RSGB Ltd could
ever manage. But once or twice a week would be quite sufficient!

Don't overstay your welcome...

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108. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 6 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-06 11:47:25 UTC
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Vega student satellite launch now February 13

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Vega is now scheduled to launch on Monday, February 13, at 1000 UT with
eight student-built amateur radio satellites

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Vega set for its inaugural flight

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bSaxy-XKRf0/vega_set_for_its_inaugural_flight.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On 13 February, the European Space Agency will perform the first
qualification flight of its brand new Vega launch vehicle

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Morse code not on the way out

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Five years ago, on February 23, 2007, the Federal Communications Commission
took action against the thorny question of mandatory code licence testing

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Twitter telegraph a reality

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Just when you think you know about technology convergence, along comes the
simple Arduino project

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Amateur Radio Club remembers fallen astronauts

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KLTV reports on the Nacogdoches Amateur Radio Club members who remember the Columbia space shuttle tragedy 9 years ago

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UKSEDS students build amateur radio payload

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Members of UKSEDS are developing a satellite payload called myPocketQub442 (437.425-437.525 MHz) which will fly on the UKube-1 satellite

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Foundation licensee works the Amateur Radio satellites

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In this video, Foundation holder Andreas Kellner VK4FHAW from Queensland works an amateur radio satellite using his homebrew LEO satellite system

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 141

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A new edition of the popular SolderSmoke amateur radio podcast is now available

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Ontario Section restructuring update

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An Ontario Section Restructuring Commission was appointed by RAC President Geoff Bawden with the objective of "improving representation to our members and to ensure that the task of our Section Managers is realistic in terms of member access and service"

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th-January, through Sunday, 5th-February there were 229 countries active

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Snow impacts Amateur Radio events

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The heavy snowfall Saturday night resulted in a much reduced turnout at the Canvey Rally and the cancellation of this Tuesday's Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society meeting

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NHK to sell analogue transmitter facilities

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NHK is in talks to sell some 1,050 analogue broadcasting stations it no longer uses to Softbank Mobile Corp

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IOTA news from OPDX

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Malpelo Island DXpedition QRT

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By the time you read this, the HK0NA DXpedition should be QRT (QRTed at 1647z, Feb. 5th)

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

109. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 5th February 2012

The news headlines:

* The first two weeks of WRC-12

* Using Olympics logos, also called Games Marks

* Advanced exam processed in record time

Colin Thomas, G3PSM, is the RSGB representative on the UK Delegation to WRC-12. He reports here on the first two weeks of work. After two weeks of intense discussions, the 3000 plus delegates at the World Radio Conference 2012 are slowly but surely coming to consensus on many of the agenda items. A number of items have been finalised, including agenda item 1.22 that looked at the subject of Short Range Devices. It was decided that no changes were necessary to the Radio Regulations with regard to this subject. Unfortunately no such consensus has yet been reached on agenda item 1.23, which proposes an allocation to the amateur service in the region of 500kHz. After 12 meetings of the sub working group dealing with this matter, the segment 472-479kHz has been identified as the most suitable band. This represents a very small compromise from the European proposal of 472-480kHz. It is however a major compromise by those administrations and regional groups who proposed 461-469 plus 471-478kHz or 472-487kHz. Despite this, and considerations taking into account the protection of aeronautical non-directional beacons, the Arab Spectrum Management Group and Iran still maintain a position of no allocation to the amateur service. This agenda item will next be discussed next Tuesday in a higher authority committee. Another agenda item taking up a lot of talk time is 1.15, which deals with allocations for HF Oceanic Radars. While not directly affecting existing amateur services, there have been discussions around a possible allocation around 5MHz. This is the frequency area in which many countries, including the UK, have agreed channels for the amateur service. The original proposal from the United States for a 200kHz allocation has been drastically reduced to a 25kHz allocation in this area, but discussions continue. Under agenda item 8.2, Future Conference Agenda Items, Cuba has proposed a 50kHz allocation to the 5MHz amateur service. This proposal was unexpected and has little support from other administrations; however, the International Amateur Radio Union has pledged their support and is lobbying administrations to support it. The conference still has two weeks to run and nothing concerning the amateur service has yet been decided. Colin Thomas is

posting daily reports from WRC-12 on the RSGB website.

Although Ofcom has now granted permission for UK radio amateurs to use special prefixes over this summer, this permission does NOT extend to use of the various logos associated with the Games on QSL cards etc. These logos, or Games Marks as they are called, are strictly controlled by LOCOG and are not free for individuals and organisations to use without express permission. You can read about their use at the Frequently Asked Questions on the www.london2012.com website. Project ECHO, concerned with the two main special stations, is the exception and has been granted permission to use the Inspire logo in a limited way. If any further information emerges we will inform members.

An Advanced licence exam took place across the country on the evening of Tuesday 31 January. By 3pm on Friday 3 February, all papers that had arrived back at RSGB HQ had been processed and the results uploaded to Ofcom. A few papers have not yet reached RSGB HQ; these will be processed when they arrive.

Provisional results of the 2011 Islands On The Air contest have now been published. Despite low sunspot levels, the contest organisers received over 2,300 logs, the highest number yet. More than 632,000 QSOs were made and this has enabled them to adjudicate 75% of all QSOs. The highest scoring station in the contest was the Bristol Contest Group, GJ6YB, who operated from Jersey and achieved a score of just under 15 million points from over 3,300 QSOs. The 2012 contest takes place on 28 and 29 July. The contest organisers have indicated that there will be a number of significant rule changes in 2012, notably to the scoring to emphasise island QSOs. For the same reason, there will no longer be a World multi-op category, as they are anxious to refocus the contest on working islands, rather than building points through non-island stations working other non-island stations.

On 12 February, amateurs worldwide will be able to enjoy a virtual tour of the station at ARRL HQ in a live webcast starting at 2200UTC. W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, at ARRL Headquarters in Connecticut has appeared in many logs. Anyone with an internet connection will be able to watch the tour at www.awecast.tv/channels/arrl/.

The FCC Spread Spectrum tests have got off to a good start. At 0052UTC on 1 February, Jose Ros, EA5HVK made the opening decode of the first FCC &#65533; SS authorised experimental station, WF9XJD, on 10.132MHz, at a rock bottom level of -22dB S/N. With worsening conditions and after a change to 7.055MHz, the QSO was completed using MF-4 mode. Taking advantage of the north-south propagation, a 10 minute QSO with YV5MM followed at substantially higher signal levels. A further eight or more experimental stations are due on the HF bands over the next few weeks, taking the first steps to clarify the data mode designations applicable to the USA amateur radio data mode operators.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 5 February, the 27th Canvey Radio & Electronics Rally will be held at The Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey Island, Essex SS8 0JA, which is at the southern end of A130. Doors open at 10.30am. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978 during the evening please.

Also today, 5 February, the Radio-Active Rally will take place in the Civic Hall, Nantwich, Cheshire CW5 5DG. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be trade stands and Bring & Buy. More information from Simon Chettle, G8ATB, on 01270 841 506.

The G3TFC Silent Key Auction of ex military & commercial radio equipment will take place on 11 February in the Coventry area. Admission is by ticket only. Details and lists of the equipment for sale can be obtained from Stuart J Mckinnon, G0TBI on 07860 496 516, or by email to stuartjmckinnon@aol.com.

The Harwell Radio & Electronics Rally will take place on 12 February at Didcot Leisure Centre, Mereland Road, Didcot. Doors open at 10.30am and there is plenty of free carparking. Admission is £2.50 with accompanied under 12s free. There will be trade stands and a flea market as well as special interest groups at the event. More details from Ann, G8NVI on 01235 816 379.

The Northern Cross Rally will take place at Thornes Park Stadium, Horbury Road, Wakefield WF2 8TY on Sunday 12 February. The usual mix of traders and groups will attend, including the RSGB bookstall and a local wind up mast manufacturer. Entrance is £3 per person and refreshments are available. Doors open at 10.30am. You are advised NOT to park on the road outside as it has double yellow lines on it, but use the available car parks. For more information, contact Ken, 2E0SSQ on 07900 563117, before 8pm please.

The organisers of the Swansea Rally, planned for 26 February, have been obliged to cancel it. They hope to be able to re-schedule it later in the year. Details from Roger, GW4HSH, on 01792 404 422. Now for the news of special events

GB80PW will be on the air on 9 February to celebrate the 80th anniversary of Practical Wireless magazine. On air on the 2nd Thursday of the month throughout 2012, Rob Mannion, G3XFD and Phil Ciotti, G3XBZ plan to be active from 10am to 4pm. They will be concentrating on 7MHz, mainly SSB and PSK31, with some operation on 14MHZ SSB and PSK 31.

GB50WVR will be on the air, starting on Friday 10 February, and then throughout 2012 on various dates, to celebrate 50 years of the Keighley & Worth Valley Railway. Full details are on qrz.com.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

W6HGF will be on the air stroke FP from Miquelon Island between 10 and 20 February. Activity will be on 10 through to 160 metres but focused on the digital modes, mostly RTTY. QSL via Logbook of the World or to W6HGF, direct or via the bureau.

HU2DX will be on the air from El Salvador until 10 February. The usual prefix in El Salvador is YS so this operation will also be of interest to prefix hunters. The QSL manager is DH7WW.

3B8GY will be on the air from Mauritius Island, IOTA reference AF-049, from 5 to 25 February. They will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest on 18 and 19 February. QSL via SP2JMB.

Expect quite a bit of activity to take place from Guantanamo Bay in February. KN4KL will operate as KG4KL until 18 February using SSTV, RTTY, SSB, PSK and maybe CW. WB4DNL will operate as KG4DL from 6 to 14 February using mostly CW. Finally, W4WV will operate as KG4WV from 6 to 23 February using SSB, PSK, RTTY and maybe CW. QSL via their home callsigns.

DO5ALX, operating as V31RU and DG7RO, operating as V31TF plan to be active from Belize until 26 February. They plan to concentrate on 30, 17 and 12 metres RTTY and SSB and to take part in the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest as a Multi-Two entry. QSL via home calls.

Now the contest news

The 432MHz AFS contest is the final Super League event of the 2011/2012 season. It takes place for four hours today, Sunday 5th, from 0900 to 1300UTC. A French contest coincides with the first couple of hours, so don't forget to take advantage of the activity by beaming that way early on. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The European Phase Shift Keying Club's PSK63 Contest finishes today, 5 February, at 1200UTC. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The wait for the start of the new 80m Club Championship series is over and it begins this month with an SSB session on the 6th. Remember please that for the entire Club Championship series the maximum power that should be run is 100 watts output. For Foundation licensees and those who welcome an additional challenge, there is also a QRP, 10 watt output, section. Look out for SSB activity from 2000 to 2130UTC, with the exchange being signal report and serial number. The 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230 on 7 February. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The First 1.8MHz Contest takes place for four hours, from 2100 on the evening of the 11th to 0100 on the 12th. Entries can be CW-only, SSB-only or mixed mode. Exchange a signal report, serial number and your District Code, which is the first two letters of your postcode. For those who live in postcode areas that begin with a single letter, these are padded out to two letters. A full list of District codes can be found on the Contest Committee website or in the RSGB Yearbook.

The first of this year's CQWW WPX contests is the RTTY, which takes place for the entire 48 hours of the weekend of 11/12th. There are

categories for QRP, low and high power, single or multi-operator stations, various numbers of transmitters and even single-operator stations where the operator has been licensed for less than three years. With the HF bands now in good shape, 10m could well be busy for long hours. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

For 24 hours of the same weekend the PACC Contest will be running on CW and SSB. Work as many Dutch stations as possible per band, giving RST and serial number. Dutch stations give RST + two-letter Province abbreviation and there are twelve in all. The multiplier is the number of provinces worked per band and once again there are numerous entry categories.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 27th of January to the 2nd of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 3rd of February.

On the 27th, as one of the large active sunspot groups was rotating out of view, it produced an X1 solar flare. This is the first X class solar flare since the beginning of November. Associated with this flare was a coronal mass ejection and a sudden ionospheric disturbance. After this flare, solar activity was very low to low, with only small C class solar flares taking place on some days. Solar flux levels on the 27th were 142 units, this figure was enhanced due to the X class solar flare, a more realistic figure would have been around 120 units. Levels then declined to 110 units by the 29th but then recovered to 118 units by the 2nd. The average was 119 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 2nd was 141 units, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from B5.9 units on the 28th to B2.2 units by the 1st. The average was B3.3 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The coronal mass ejection from the X1 solar flare missed planet Earth and headed for the STEREO ahead spacecraft. The solar wind measuring equipment there detected the blast as it passed. Back here, the average for the period was Ap 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 580 kilometres per second on the 27th to 330 by the 31st. Particle densities were low except for the morning of the 31st, which increased briefly to 23 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz varied between minus and plus 8 nanoTeslas on the 30th and between minus 4 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quieter days.

And finally the solar forecast. The slightly more active side of the sun is expected to rotate into view as the week progresses. At first solar activity is expected to be at low levels but activity could increase to moderate levels later in the week. Solar flux levels should increase and by next weekend be around the 130s. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet but could increase slightly around the 12th when a weak coronal hole disturbance could take place. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 29MHz for the south and 26MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 30MHz. The optimum working

frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1400 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 5 February Wythall Radio Club is taking a trip to the Radio Active Rally, Nantwich. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Monday 6 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society it having a talk by Les, G0ULH, on whether valves are still of any use. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 6 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 3.5MHz Club Contest, SSB. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 6 February South Birmingham Radio Society is inspecting and repairing its aerials. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 6 February Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is running a club net on 145.275MHz FM then QSYing to PSK32. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 7 February Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 7 February Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk on radiation patterns by Colin, M0EAO. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 7 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 144MHz UKAC. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 7 February Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a hands-on test equipment session. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 7 February Wythall Radio Club is taking part in the 2m UKAC. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 8 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk on Morse training by Ian, G4XFC. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 8 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 8 February South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on organising a field day station by Jim, M0JHW. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 8 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at construction projects for under a fiver. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 9 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a simplex club net on 145.375MHz. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 9 February Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 9 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 10 February Coventry Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Saturday 11 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding its Saturday surgery. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 5 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a training day from 13:30. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Monday 6 February Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 6 February Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk by Glen, G6HFF and Val, G6MML on their Sanday Island adventure, plus a contest debrief by Ross, G6GVI. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 6 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Club Contest SSB. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 6 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening and taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest SSB as G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 6 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 7 February Chester & District Radio Society is having a talk on antennas the Army way by G0KKO. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 7 February Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society planning its summer activity schedule. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Tuesday 7 February Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a members' night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836

On Tuesday 7 February Stockport Radio Society is having a talk on receiver tuning by John Shufflebotham, 2E0GCX. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 8 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having the RAF Lissett Memorial talk. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573. On Wednesday 8 February Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is having an introduction to contesting by Peter Day, G3PHO. More information from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Wednesday 8 February Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is making final assignments for RadioActive. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday 9 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the evolution of the amateur station by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 9 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a rally planning meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 10 February East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 10 February Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is looking at standing waves. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 11 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for the 1.8MHz contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Saturday 11 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is preparing for the rally. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Sunday 12 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is running the Northern Cross Rally at Thornes Park Athletics Stadium, Horbury Road, Wakefield, WF2 8TY. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Enniskillen Amateur Radio Society is planning another course for the Foundation licence, including both practical assessments and examination. The first session will be at 8pm on Wednesday 7 March in the Cathedral Hall, BT74 7DW. It may be possible to join the course at a subsequent session. The Society is also seeking correspondence from those interested in taking the Intermediate Level

exam. For more information contact Chris, 2I0NIE by email to earsni@btopenworld.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 7 February Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 8 February Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having Morse practice and a training session. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, by email to mm0ljasecgr@btinternet.com.

On Wednesday 8 February Lothians Radio Society is having Aurora explained by Dr David Gavine. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 9 February Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Jim MacKinnon, GM4EKC. Details from Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 10 February Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Details from MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 5 February South Essex Amateur Radio Society is at the Canvey Radio Rally. Paddocks Canvey Island, SS8 0JA. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Monday 6 February Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Ham Radio Deluxe by Richard, 2E0XRS. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 6 February Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on the T32C DXpedition by Don, G3XTT. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 6 February East Kent Radio Society is having a talk on screen reading computers by Brian, M0DCO. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 6 February Maidstone YMCA Amateur Radio Society is having a general natter and coffee night. More information from Howard Vicary, G0RJN, by email to hvicary@hotmail.com.

On Monday 6 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding its club net from 19.30 on GB3NB and taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship SSB. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 6 February South Essex Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Monday 6 February Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, advice, chin wag and move-it-on evening led by John, G8MNY. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 7 February Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on specifying heatsinks by Andy, G3HUE. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 7 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday, 7 February Chelmford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio self build kits by Mark Sanderson, M0IEO. Contact John Bowen, on 01245 469 008. On Tuesday 7 February Leiston Amateur Radio Club is having a CW evening. Details from Andy, G3ZYP, on 01394 460 441.

On Tuesday 7 February North Kent Radio Society is having a musical appreciation evening. For more information contact Dave Collings, by email to nkrs@crystaldave.com.

On Wednesday 8 February Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a talk on wartime tunnels by Ed, M0HDK. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday 8 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding a table top sale. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 8 February Southgate Amateur Radio Club is taking rambles through RadCom with Graeme, G8DVJ. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Thursday 9 February Bittern DX Group is having an informal meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 9 February Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a bring & buy, natter night and CW practice. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 9 February Edgware & District Radio Society is holding a map evening, led by John Bluff, G3SJE. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 9 February Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Felixstowe Docks. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 9 February Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on restoring vintage and PMR sets by Vin Robinson. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 9 February Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by the construction contest winner. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 10 February Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on VLF through the ground by Roger, G3XBM. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 10 February Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding a members' forum on computer logging. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 10 February Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having an update on Bletchley Park and the Computer Museum by Len. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 11 February Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding an auction of used & surplus equipment on behalf of the Repeater Group at Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Upper Church Road. Doors open at 9am for the auction at 10.15am. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 6 February Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 8 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 9 February South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 9 February Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having part 1 of a talk by Tony Crake, G0OVA, on his 40 years of the BBC. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 10 February Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 6 February Dragon Amateur Radio Club is on the air and taking part in the RSGB 80m CC contest. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 7 February Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on U534 by Glyn, MW0BMB. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

On Thursday 9 February Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a quiz night with Bruce, GW4XXF. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Friday 10 February Newport Amateur Radio Society is closed for half term. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

110. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-007E - Update on the Ontario Section Restructure

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To Ontario Amateurs:

RAC Bulletin 2012- 006E - Ontario Section Restructuring update 2012-02-05, announced the intention to restructure the Province of Ontario into four Sections:

Ontario North, composed of the ARES Districts of Albany, Amethyst and Killarney;
Ontario East, composed of the Districts of Capital, Loyalist, Seaway and Severn;
Ontario South, composed of the Districts of Bruce, Golden Horseshoe, Lakes and St. Clair; and
the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) composed to the Toronto, Halton/Peel, Durham and York Districts.

The Section boundaries conform with Emergency Management Ontario section boundaries in order to respect existing relationships and agreements with political authorities and non-government agencies. The purpose of this Bulletin is to describe the transition plan that will be followed to inaugurate the new Sections. A third Bulletin, from the current Ontario Section Manager, will follow with more detailed information on the mechanics of the nomination process for the new Section Managers.

The transition milestones are as follows:

01 Feb Call for Section Manager nominations
31 Mar Nominations Close
01 Apr Selection Committee convenes
01 May New Provisional Section Managers Appointed, Transition Council Formed,
31 Aug Ontario Section Decommissioned
01 Sep New Section Manager appointments effective, four new Ontario Sections and Provincial Council inaugurated.

The principal reason for the Ontario restructure is to create a management model that better communicates with, and represents the interests of, the overall Ontario Amateur population. For that reason the new Sections will be organized and administered in accordance with the recently adopted Field Organization structure (see RAC Bulletin

2011-033E). In the past the Section Manager's role has focused only on the operation of a Field Service, the component that delivers public services. The Field Organization adds four new components (provincial government liaison, public information, affiliated club coordinator, and technical coordination) which will be the basis for a new communication and accountability relationship between the clubs and the RAC Section management team. The scope of the four functions is not yet fully defined, deliberately, so that a consultation with the clubs can be conducted during the transition period before submission to the VPFS Council for ratification and the RAC Board for confirmation as national policy.

The role of Section Manager takes on new importance with the adoption of a full Field Organization. The persons nominated for this position will need more than Field Service experience, they will need demonstrated leadership and administrative skills in order to lead the transformation process within their Section and to stand-up the new provincial council. The four Section Managers will initially serve as the transitional provincial council, and will have available to them the advice and assistance of the national Field Organization Advisors and the VPFS Council secretariat until the end of the transition period.

The clubs, in their capacity as the collective representative of the local Amateur population, also have a new partnership role within the Field Organization. It begins with nominating appropriate candidates for the inaugural Ontario East, South and GTA Section Manager appointments. The current Ontario Section Manager, Allan Boyd VE3AJB, will assume the appointment of Section Manager Ontario North for the remainder of his current term. Subsequent Section Manager appointments will follow the established process as the new Sections fit into the established election cycle.

During the transition period the new Section Managers will be recruiting their Section component heads and establishing their Cabinets (councils). Collectively they will form the transitional provincial council whose initial task will be to determine which functions should properly remain at the Section level, and which would be better accomplished at the provincial council level. Undoubtedly the advice of the clubs will be sought during this transition period, and the support of the Ontario Amateur community as a whole will be needed to fill the new Section Field Organization and secretariat positions if we are to achieve the ultimate goal of open and effective communication both up and down the RAC organization.

The current Ontario Section, which will be responsible for the provision of RAC services during the transition period, will cease operation effective 31 August, 2012. The four new Sections will become effective on 1 September, 2012. A further Ontario Bulletin from Section Manager Al Boyd VE3AJB will follow shortly with additional details on the transition process.

I would like to conclude with two comments. First, I would like to acknowledge the considerable effort and participation by the many Ontario Amateurs and clubs towards achieving this innovation. The project has enjoyed the full support of the RAC Board of Directors and President Bawden VE4BAW from the outset. Second, I recommend to the club presidents that you engage with your fellow club presidents within your new Sections. Don't wait, begin the consultation process now, and determine if you can collectively nominate candidates for Section Manager and Field Organization positions it will greatly assist in identifying the best available talent.

73,

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Ontario South, composed of the Districts of Bruce, Golden Horseshoe, Lakes and St. Clair; and
the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) composed to the Toronto, Halton/Peel, Durham and York Districts.

The Section boundaries conform with Emergency Management Ontario section boundaries in order to respect existing relationships and agreements with political authorities and non-government agencies. The purpose of this Bulletin is to describe the transition plan that will be followed to inaugurate the new Sections. A third Bulletin, from the current Ontario Section Manager, will follow with more detailed information on the mechanics of the nomination process for the new Section Managers.

The transition milestones are as follows:

01 Feb Call for Section Manager nominations
31 Mar Nominations Close
01 Apr Selection Committee convenes
01 May New Provisional Section Managers Appointed, Transition Council Formed,
31 Aug Ontario Section Decommissioned
01 Sep New Section Manager appointments effective, four new Ontario

Sections and Provincial Council inaugurated.
The principal reason for the Ontario restructure is to create a management model that better communicates with, and represents the interests of, the overall Ontario Amateur population. For that reason the new Sections will be organized and administered in accordance with the recently adopted Field Organization structure (see RAC Bulletin

2011-033E). In the past the Section Manager's role has focused only on the operation of a Field Service, the component that delivers public services. The Field Organization adds four new components (provincial government liaison, public information, affiliated club coordinator, and technical coordination) which will be the basis for a new communication and accountability relationship between the clubs and the RAC Section management team. The scope of the four functions is not yet fully defined, deliberately, so that a consultation with the clubs can be conducted during the transition period before submission to the VPFS Council for ratification and the RAC Board for confirmation as national policy.

The role of Section Manager takes on new importance with the adoption of a full Field Organization. The persons nominated for this position will need more than Field Service experience, they will need demonstrated leadership and administrative skills in order to lead the transformation process within their Section and to stand-up the new provincial council. The four Section Managers will initially serve as the transitional provincial council, and will have available to them the advice and assistance of the national Field Organization Advisors and the VPFS Council secretariat until the end of the transition period.

The clubs, in their capacity as the collective representative of the local Amateur population, also have a new partnership role within the Field Organization. It begins with nominating appropriate candidates for the inaugural Ontario East, South and GTA Section Manager appointments. The current Ontario Section Manager, Allan Boyd VE3AJB, will assume the appointment of Section Manager Ontario North for the remainder of his current term. Subsequent Section Manager appointments will follow the established process as the new Sections fit into the established election cycle.

During the transition period the new Section Managers will be recruiting their Section component heads and establishing their Cabinets (councils). Collectively they will form the transitional provincial council whose initial task will be to determine which functions should properly remain at the Section level, and which would be better accomplished at the provincial council level. Undoubtedly the advice of the clubs will be sought during this transition period, and the support of the Ontario Amateur community as a whole will be needed to fill the new Section Field Organization and secretariat positions if we are to achieve the ultimate goal of open and effective communication both up and down the RAC organization.

The current Ontario Section, which will be responsible for the provision of RAC services during the transition period, will cease operation effective 31 August, 2012. The four new Sections will become effective on 1 September, 2012. A further Ontario Bulletin from Section Manager Al Boyd VE3AJB will follow shortly with additional details on the transition process.

I would like to conclude with two comments. First, I would like to acknowledge the considerable effort and participation by the many Ontario Amateurs and clubs towards achieving this innovation. The project has enjoyed the full support of the RAC Board of Directors and President Bawden VE4BAW from the outset. Second, I recommend to the club presidents that you engage with your fellow club presidents within your new Sections. Don't wait, begin the consultation process now, and determine if you can collectively nominate candidates for Section Manager and Field Organization positions. It will greatly assist in identifying the best available talent.

73,

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Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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112. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1328598300@panix.com>
Source record: 3729
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

113. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1328598600@panix.com>
Source record: 3730
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

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article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
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rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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114. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 7 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-07 11:12:21 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93407c14444d204b85dd93a@google.com>
Source record: 3731
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Central Philippines earthquake update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UyzcEWsOSnw/central_philippines_earthquake_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Communications have been set up on HF as the emergency activity of amateur radio becomes established in the earthquake and landslide hit areas

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Earthquake hits, radio amateurs act

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LWn4n7JIIxg/earthquake_hits_radio_amateurs_act.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Effects continue across the central Philippines after a 6.8 magnitude earthquake struck triggering landslides with dozens of people killed and many trapped in toppled homes.
Chief Operating Officer for IARU society PARA, Eddie Valdez DU1EV said ham radio operators are now active in communications assistance

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ARISS ham radio contact with Inuksuk High School, Iqaluit Nunavut, Canada

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Zwk3kz3IbTo/ariss_event_0802.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Inuksuk High School, Iqaluit Nunavut, Canada on 08 Feb

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The Humber Fortress DX ARC to activate GB0BB

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zn4MvljocGU/humber_fortress_dx_arc_to_activate_gb0bb.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club will be activating GB0BB on the weekend of the 16th till 18th March 2012 from Fort Paull, East Yorkshire, to celebrate the 7th anniversary of the Blackburn Beverley XB259 (the last remaining one of it's type in the world) being located there

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AmateurLogic 36: Hamfest Friends

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JeiKRLoMWMI/amateurlogic_36_hamfest_friends.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We visit the Capital City Hamfest in Jackson, MS

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G0KYA UK Propagation charts for February 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lAjh0dCp_5o/propagation_charts_february.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve G0KYA has just published his UK propagation charts for February 2012

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GB80PW operation moves to Saturday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hCSaXhi_C9o/gb80pw_operation_moves_to_saturday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This special callsign GB80PW, issued to Practical Wireless magazine to
celebrate the publication's 80th year in print, had its first airing in
January this year

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Pontefract and District ARS special event stations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h_zLgK3gq-c/pontefract_and_district_ars_special_event_stations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Yorkshire-based PDARS have a number of interesting special event
stations planned for the coming months

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Speech by ITU Secretary-General, Dr Hamadoun I. Tour HB9EHT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rtrvP1uurvE/itu_opening_speech.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On February 3, Dr Hamadoun I. Touré HB9EHT, gave the opening speech for the
International Amateur Radio Club (IARC) 50th Anniversary Celebration

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Photos of old Big L MW transmitter to be published

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nM0QyXfPUGo/photos_of_old_big_l_mw_transmitter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The website 1395.eu says that “We will soon upload some new photos of the old Trintelhaven TX site.. and also some photos from inside the container"

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Wednesday's ARISS contact on EchoLink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9XDFidu5lcM/ariss_contact_on_echolink_and_irlp.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Audio from Wednesday's ARISS contact with Inuksuk High School, Iqaluit Nunavut, Canada contact will be fed into the EchoLink and IRLP servers

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Ontario Section Restructuring update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6qKaLRnb1M0/ontario_section_restructuring_update_0602.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Amateurs of Canada have announced the intention to restructure the Province of Ontario into four Sections

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Amateur Radio QTH in France for sale

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AfErAGogpWg/amateur_radio_qth_in_france_for_sale.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

If you've ever fancied operating HF from your own cottage in the French countryside, then here's your chance

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WRC-12 - Weekend in Geneva

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sl5qoYdiBYA/wrc12_weekend_in_geneva.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are halfway the conference now. Several European delegates took the opportunity to go home for the weekend and therefore the number of weekend meetings was low compared to the first weekend. This meant that there was time for some amateur radio activities

115. [DXNL] DXNL 1766 (Feb 8, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-07 20:53:12 UTC
From: Michael Oerter <dj5av@kabelbw.de>
Message-ID: <6E8D9582C2E049779C1BE9A8711463EE@dj4tz>
Source record: 3732
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1766 - Feb 8, 2012

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3B9, Rodrigues Island:

Erich, OE4AAC, will be active as 3B9/OE4AAC von Rodrigues Island

14th - 21st February on 40 - 10 meters, CW only. QSL via homecall.

3C, Annobon:

EA5BYP and EA5KM have announced plans to be active from Equatorial

Guinea Area in February. They will travel to Malabo on Bioko Island

(AF-010, WLOTA 2977) and possibly be active from there as 3C6A using

CW or SSB and RTTY. They will purchase "all needed provisions" in

Malobo and then they will travel to Annabon (AF-039, WLOTA 0174,

WW Loc. JI28to) with a "representative from the Ministry". On the

island they will sign 3C0E. QSL via EA5BYP, direct only, and LoTW.

http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/news.php

4U, ITU:

4U1ITU now has a webcam online. Currently there is an activity as

4U1WRC. In ARRL International DX CW Contest they will be as 4U1ITU.

http://156.106.208.76/view/viewer_index.shtml?id=577

4W, Timor Leste:

Vlad, UA4WHX curently is active on Atauro Island (OC-232), as 4W0VB/p
With a focus on the low bands. There was no information about the
length of his stay. QSL via homecall.

5V, Togo:

February 5th - 17th Franco, I1FQH, uses the call 5V7V (2011 he was
avtive as 5V7DX) in Kpalime Village on 160 - 6 meters. For 20 - 10
meters he uses a Spiderbeam and on 160 - 80 meters as well as for
40 - 30 meters he has home brew verticals. There is a focus to the
low bands. Rig is a K3 with KL500-PA and an FT-817 for 6 meters. Due
to turbolences during the flight the equipment was damaged and now
Franco looks for repair under the limited possibilities in this
country. QSL prefered via LoTW or via homecall. Online-Log at
http://www.mdxc.org/5v7v

8P, Barbados:

Larry K3VX (8P9VX), Bill, W3WH (8P9WH), and Carl, K9CS (8P9CS), will go
to Barbados (NA-021, WLOTA 0999) February 14th - 22nd. They will be
active on all bands and in all modes. They will participate in ARRL DX
CW Contest (18/19th February) as 8P5Y. QSLs via K9CS.

A5, Bhutan:

Look for Iain, G4SGX, February 11th - 15th as A52JF on 40 - 10 meters
using CW, SSB, and PSK. Good operating by the DX hunters in the pile
up should help for a high QSO score. QSL via homecall, direct only,
LoTW.

C6, Bahamas:

Find Drew, N2RFA (C6ABB), Gene, K2KJI (C6ALC), and Ivars, KC4PX (C6APX)
in Cable Beach on New Providence Island (NA-001, WLOTA 1115, WW Loc.
FL15HB) 13th - 23rd February on 80, 20, 15, 12, and 10 meters using
SSB, PSK31, RTTY, SSTV, and JT65. QSLs via homecalls, direct only, LoTW,
and eQSL.

At about the same time frame there will be Kevin K4PG (C6APG), Bob N4BP

(C6AKQ), and Brian K7RE (C6ALK) 13th - 20th February active on Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527) and participating n the ARRL DX CW Contest (18./9. February) M/S as C6AKQ. QSLs via homecalls, direct only, LoTW

E5, South Cook Islands:

E51NJB will be activated by John, N5JB, 13th - 21st or 25th February Mostly on CW and in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18./9. February) as SOABLP. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

FG, Guadeloupe:

February 9th - 19th Jean-Pierre, FG/F6ITD, will be on Basse-Terre (NA-102, DIFO FG-019) and 20th February - 13th March on La Desirade (NA-102, DIFO FG-004, WLOTA 1121) using an FT450D, VR7C verticals and dipoles on SSB and digital modes. QSL via homecall.

FM, Martinique:

Look for Valery, FM/R5GA February 13th - 20th on 160 - 10 meters mostly using CW. He will be in the ARRL DX CW Contest(18./19. February) SOABHP as TO5X. QSL via UA3DX, LoTW.

FP, St. Pierre et Miquelon:

On Miquelon (Grid GN17tc NA-032 DIFO FP-002 WLOTA 1417) there will be Al, FP/W6HGF, February 10th - 20th with IC-7000, 300-Watts-PA, multiband dipole for 160 - 10 meters and SteppIR vertical for 40 - 10 meters - if weather and transport are suitable. Look for him in CQWW WPX RTTY Contest and ARRL DX CW Contest also. QSL via homecall, LoTW, OQRS.

http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/FP_W6GHF_2012.html

H4, Salomon Islands:

Noel, W1XB, will be on the air 7th - 28th February as H44XB on Guadalcanal (OC-047) using 20, 15 and 10 meters on CW and SSB with a QRP rig. QSL via homecall.

H40, Temotu:

There will be a new activity by Sigi, DK9FN, and Peter, DG1FK, as H40FN

(CW) and H40FK (digimodes) from Nendo (OC-100) February 11th - 24th.

QSL H40FN via HA8DD (new QSL-Manager), H40FK via DG1FK.

http://www.hari-ham.com

HK0, Malpelo:

HK0NA finished 1647 UTC on February 5th and logged 192.089 QSOs with

43.176 different stations, with pile ups until the very end of the

activity.

I, Italy:

Have a look at the unusual resort of IR4T on internet:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/02/05/ir4t/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=eMayl&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+dxcoffee%2Feng+%28DxCoffee+-+Hamradio+Magazine%29

J3, Grenada:

Roy, KE4TG, will be at Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) again February 8th

through March 8th and will operate as J38RF on digital modes mainly

with some CW and SSB. QSL via homecall.

During the same time frame 8th February - March 7th Bill, K4LTA (J38A),

and XYL Ruby, K4UPS (J37RO), will be on 160 - 10 meters. Bill will also

be in ARRL DX CW Contest (18./19. February) SO. QSLs via homecalls,

direct only, LoTW.

JW, Svalbard:

Torkel, LA6VJA, announced an activity on February 11th as JW6VJA on

Spitzbergen (EU-026, WLOTA 0125). In Arktic night probably only low

bands will be useful. QSL via LA6VJA, LoTW.

http://www.bitwrap.no/web/index.php?id=5

KH0, Mariana Islands:

On February 12th through 16th Sosho, KH0/JA4JWD, will be active on 80 -

6 meters using SSB, digital modes and perhaps some CW. QSL via homecall.

KH2, Guam:

Find Take, KH2/JS6RRR, again on Guam (IOTA OC-026, USI GU003S, WLOTA

L-0064) February 10th - 14th on 160 - 6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY,

and PSK31. QSL via JS6RRR.

T5, Somalia:

Darko, J28AA, will be active from Hargeisa (WW Loc. LJ29an) February 10th - 20th. He will get his call on arrival. Equipment is an FT-857D with multiband vertical for 40 - 10 meters. he intends to train locals on ham radio and found a local club during his stay. He will leave an IC-735 with antenna for them. QSL via K2PF or E77E. Als on QRZ.com

T8, Palau:

T88WG will be the call of Takeshi, JH1WGP, on the West Plaza at the Sea Hotel on Koror Island (OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77fi) 9th - 15th February. Look for him on 80 - 10 meters using CW, SSB, and digital modes. QSL via homecall.

Palau Rental Shack will be the home for Kazu, JA1IST, and Masami, JA9BFM, during their activity as T88ZO bzw. T88ZT 10th - 20th February from Koror Island (OC-009) on CW, SSB, and RTTY. Kazu will listen 3-10 kHz up and requests full calls and insists that you respect his instructions, otherwise you might be blacklisted. QSL T88ZT via JA3HZT, T88ZO via JA1IST.

TR, Gabon:

Sebastien, F4EIH, is in Gabon for about 3 years starting February 1st and plans to be on SSB, PSK31, and JT65, also on VHF (EME and Satellites). There was no information about his call.

V2, Antigua:

Tom, AA9A, and Bob, W4OWY, will be V25AA resp V25WY February 13th - 22nd on 160 - 6 meters with CW, SSB, and RTTY. Tom will be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18./19. February). QSLs via homecalls, V25AA also LoTW.

V3, Belize:

Find an activation of St. George's Island (NA-073) by Jeff, K0UU, as V31SG on 40 - 10 meters, CW only 11th - 20th February and in ARRL DX CW Contest (18./19. February) Single-OP/QRP. QSL via

homecall, direct only, LoTW.

V4, St. Kitts:

Jon, W5JON, will be active again as V47JA February 8th - March 28th from Calypso Bay, (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87SG) on 80 - 6 meters. He will use TS-590S, FT-857D and SB200, antennas are multiband dipole, verticals and 3-element-Yagi for 6 meters. He will take part in ARRL International DX SSB Contest (3./4. March), and CQ WPX SSB Contest (24./25. March) SOAB. Now and then XYL Cathy (W5HAM) will operate as V47HAM. QSLs via W5JON, LoTW.

W, USA:

For Arizona's 100 years jubilee operators of "Central Arizona DX Association" (CADXA) will hit the air waves as K7UGA 13th through 19th February. K7UGA was the private call of Barry M. Goldwater, late Senior Senator, and Arizona native son. Find them on 160 - 2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and satellites. This activity was recognized by "Arizona Centennial Foundation" as "Special Event" and by "Arizona Historical Advisory Commission" as official "Centennial Legacy Project". QSLs via K7BHM, direct only.

http://www.cadxa.org

http://www.youtube.com/watch?gl=DE&hl=de&v=Zvx6ImOFDsA

XW, Laos:

Alex, NM5A, now is QRV as XW3DT. He was heard operating on 30, 12 and 10 meters with CW and SSB. There is no information about the length of his stay. QSL by operator's instructions.

Larry, XW0ZJZ (ex XW1A), will be in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (11./12. February) SOAB/LP from Vientiane. QSL via E21EIC, direct only.

South Pacific Tour:

Vincent, F4BKV, member of the VP6T team, continues his activities:

Rarotonga Island (OC-013), South Cook Islands, E51BKV, 9. Februar

Mangaia Island (OC-159), South Cook Islands, E51BKV, 10. - 15. February

Rarotonga Island (OC-013), South Cook Islands, E51BKV, 16. Februar

Ouvea Island (OC-033), New Caledonia. FK/F4BKV, 18. - 25. Februar

Noumea (OC-032), New Caledonia FK/F4BKV, 26. Februar

HL2/F4BKV, Seoul, 27. Februar

Find him on 40 - 10 meters using SSB and digital modes (RTTY/PSK31) from an Elecraft K3 and 500-Watt-PA, Monoband VDA (vertical dipoles array) for 17/15/12/10 meters and monoband verticals for 40/30/20 meters. QSL via homecall, OQRS, LoTW.

http://www.f4bkv.net/

http://www.f4bkv.net/oqrs/

9th Antarctic Activity Week:

These station are announced to take part (10. - 26. February):

Call WAP OP/QSL-Mgr

K4K WAP176 K4MZU

AO1POL WAP222 EA1GHT

AO5ANT WAP224 EA5FL

EG1SPA WAP226 EG1GIB

GB0ANT WAP072 M0OXO

HB9ICE WAP081 HB9BHY

II0WAP WAP178 IZ0PSA

II2ANT WAP30 I2JJR

II5ANT WAP025 IZ5BTC

II7ANT WAP012 IZ7AUH

IO5ANT WAP210 IW5EFX

IP2ANT WAP212 IK2QPR

IP8AAW WAP196 IK8FIQ

IR0ANT WAP010 IZ0EGC

IR1ANT WAP02 I1HYW

IR1SP WAP219 IK1NEG

IR2IR WAP195 Team

IR7ANT WAP074 IZ7AUH

IU2ANT WAP052 IK2QPR

K0ANT WAP198 KB0MZF

LY10ANT WAP191 LY3BY

OE3AIS/AAW WAP089 OE3AIS

OE3KKA/AAW WAP088 OE3KKA

OE3RPB/AAW WAP086 OE3RPB

OE3SGA/AAW WAP090 OE3SGA

OE3WWB/AAW WAP085 OE3WWB

PA6ANT WAP221 PA3FOE

PC12ANT WAP227 PA0RDY

TM9AAW WAP220 F8DVD

TM9WAP WAP217 F8DHE

VA3WAP WAP111 VA3NQ

VA7AAW WAP070 VE7IG

VB3A WAP188 VA3ITA

WK3N/AAW WAP192 WK3N

YQ0ANT WAP223 YO2LIW

Please no GS!

Mike, UK8OM, suggests to use IRCs instead of Green Stamps (GS) for

direct QSLing.

Silent Key:

In December Hans, 4F9HXB (DL5SDF, OV P09), on Mindanao (OC-130),

passed away.

Armond Noble, N6WR, founder and editor of "WorldRadio Magazine"

passed away February 1st in Sacramento.

Our condolences and compassion to the families and friends.

UPCOMING CONTESTS

11.2. ASIA-PACIFIC Sprint Contest

11.2. VFDB-Kontest, part 1 and 2

11.2. FISTS Sprint Contest

11./12.2. CQ WPX RTTY Contest

11./12.2. PACC Contest

11./12.2. KCJ Topband Contest

11./13.2. YLRL YL-OM Contest

11./12.2. RSGB 1,8 MHz CW Contest

12.2. North American Sprint

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:

http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the

VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

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WA7BNM Contest Calendar: http://hornucopia.com/contestcal

Two websites dealing with a good operating technique are:

DX Code of Conduct: http://dx-code.org/home.html

Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur:

http://www.ham-operating-ethics.org

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-Mayl: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

EU-089, CU8,9; Western group; Hermann CT3FN/HB9CRV, will take part in CQ

WW RTTY Contest (11./12. February) as CR2V. QTH is Flores Island,

station of Antonio/CU8AS (DFP FAZ-02, TWLHD WLH CU-008, ARLHS AZO-016,

WLOTA 0947, DIP AZ-008). QSL via HB9CRV (d/B/L).

EU-175, CU3-7, Central group: Members of "Azorean Department of Oeste DX

Gang" (Carlos/CU3CO, Ivo/CU3BR, Pedro/CU3DI, Paulo/CU3CC, Ermelinda/

CU3YO, and Mike/CU3HY) intend a IOTA activity 10th through 12th

February on all bands. QTH is Forte do Negrito (WCA CT-00280, DMHP

AZ-004) on Terceira Island (EU-175, DIP AZ-003, PIP AC-003, WLOTA 0524).

QSL via CU3HY (d/B/L).

Lighthouse activities

3B9/OE4AAC LH4265 14.02. - 21.02.

8P9CS LH0999 14.02. - 22.02.

8P9VX LH0999 14.02. - 22.02.

8P9WH LH0999 14.02. - 22.02.

C6ABB LH1115 13.02. - 23.02.

C6AKQ LH0527 13.02. - 20.02.

C6ALC LH1115 13.02. - 23.02.

C6ALK LH0527 13.02. - 20.02.

C6APG LH0527 13.02. - 20.02.

C6APX LH1115 13.02. - 23.02.

FM/R5GA LH1041 13.02. - 20.02.

FP/W6HGF LH1417 10.02. - 20.02.

J38RF LH0718 08.02. - 08.03.

JW6VJA LH0125 11.02. - 12.02.

KH0/JA4JWD LH1333 12.02. - 16.02.

KH2/JS6RRR LH0064 10.02. - 14.02.

TX6T LH0885 08.02. - 10.02.

V25AA LH1118 14.02. - 22.02.

V25WY LH1118 14.02. - 22.02.

Bandspots of the last 7 days

After a discussion with some DXers we will stop to former

weekly bandspots because they were found not informative

enough. For prediction of propagation from yor QTH use

"Propagation Map" of WSPR:

http://wsprnet.org/drupal/wsprnet/map

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Resident 3B8FA 1765

5. - 25. February 3B8GY 1765

14.-21.February 3B9/OE4AAC 1766 *

mid of February 3C6A.. 1766 *

unknown 4J29RA.. 1758

12December-10March 4S7KKG 1757

23January-17February 4U1WRC 1764

unknown 4W0VB 1763

unknown 4W0VB/p 1766 *

01January-30June 5P12EU 1760

5. - 17. February 5V7V 1766 *

until 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753

until April 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674

20January-3February 6W7SK 1763

31. March 8N1JARL.. 1762

until 31. March 2012 8J1ING 1751

until 31. March 8J1YMS 1764

- 30.September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751

10December-05March 8J6HAM 1757

until 28. February 8J9LITE 1764

- 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742

long term 9N1FE 1740

14. - 22. February 8P9VX.. 1766 *

soon 9Q1EK 1669

- October2014 9V1RM 1751

11. - 15. February A52JF 1766 *

- September 2013 A52SV 1752

- 8. February C21HA 1763

13. - 20. February C6APG.. 1766 *

13. - 22. February C6ABB 1766 *

- April CE2/CX1EK 1762

- March 2012 CE9VPM 1752

10. - 12. February CS4ODX/p 1766 *

20January-13February CU8AS.. 1763

- 8. July 2012 D2QV 1750

- April 2012? D2SG 1748

2012? DL0SLITISA 1764

01January-31December DL1630Y 1760

01January-31December DM100MGY 1763

01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763

- February 2013 DP0GVN 1756

- 31. December DQ125HSB 1763

9. - 27. February E51BKV.. 1766 *

13.-21.(25?)February E51NJB 1766 *

- March 2012 EA1CYK/p 1759

1January-31December EI80IRTS 1763

1December-28February EM0BSCC/mm 1756

9February-13March FG/F6ITD 1766 *

- 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747

unknown FK/9A4DU 1763

3. - 20. February FM/R5GA.. 1766 *

10. - 20. February FP/W6HGF 1766 *

22January-10February FR/F8APV 1763

- July 2012 FR8NE 1710

24January-23February FW0R.. 1763/1765

2012 GB80PW 1762

11. - 24. February H40FN.. 1766 *

7. - 28. February H44XB 1766 *

unknown HA100CGCDH 1762

September2012 - 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745

16January-26March HK3JCL 1762

now HL2/KC6STQ 1746

2.February - 6.May HR5/F2JD 1764

29January-10February HU2DX 1764

until April HS0ZIQ 1765

- 14. February HS0ZJF/8 1765

- late 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755

- February 2012 II0MZ 1755

1January-31December II6LN 1763

- spring 2012 J28FJ 1739

- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680

- July 2012 J28RO 1683

- July 2013 J28UC 1734

1. - 9. February J3/W6HFP.. 1765

8.February-7.March J38A.. 1766

8.February-8.March J38RF 1766 *

- 15th April JG8NQJ/JD1 1762

11. February JW6VJA 1766 *

13.-19. February K7UGA 1766 *

- April 2012 KC4AAC 1757

- 2013 KG4AJ 1756

18. - 25. February KG4AS 1765

6. - 14. February KG4DL 1765

4. - 18. February KG4KL 1765

25February -3.March KG4OS 1765

25February -10March KG4SS 1765

6. - 23. February KG4WV 1765

12.-16.February KH0/JA4JWD 1766 *

10.- 14.February KH2/JS6RRR 1766 *

- June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680

- May 2012 KH4/W5FJG 1728

postponed 2012 KH5 1674/1705/1741

- 4. February NH0J.. 1765

- March 2012 OA/OE3NHW 1749

2. - 15. February OE3GEA/6Y5 1765

1January-31December ON65BR 1763

1January-31.January ON800TUR 1763

- February 2012 OR4TN 1754

long term P29FM 1752

- March 2012 P29FR 1742

21January-17March PJ2/AA9A.. 1763

- March/April 2012 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753

30January-9February PR2I 1764

- mid March RI1ANA 1762

- early 2013 RI1ANF 1765

- September 2012 RI1FJA 1741

- September 2012 RI1FJM 1741

unknown SN2012WW.. 1763

now ST2AR 1745

unknown SU9VB 1754

unknown SX1912 1763

- April 2012 T6BP 1746

- 13. June T6JM 1764

- mid February T6KK 1764

- June 2012 T6MO 1733

9. - 15. February T88WG 1766 *

10. - 20. February T88ZO.. 1766 *

unknown TL8ES 1755

- 31. December TM70TRS 1763

- July 2012 TN9SN 1755

1. - 7. February TO3J 1765

28January-5February TO4M 1764

now TR0A/p 1760

13. - 22. February V25AA.. 1766 *

February 2012 V25DH 1765

4. - 26. February V31RU.. 1765

11. - 20. February V31SG 1766 *

- 26. February V31YN.. 1763

8.February-28.March V47JA.. 1766 *

Resident V63YWR 1765

- November 2014 V73NS 1604/1668/1752

now VK0TH 1748/1763/1764

unknown VP8DFR 1764

- February 2012 VP8DMH 1757

- July 2012 VQ9JC 1755

- March VU3BPZ.. 1762

- May 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730

unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763

16. - 25. February XU7AFU 1765

unknown XV9DX.. 1756

11./12. February XW0ZJZ 1766 *

unknown XW3DT 1766 *

4. - 11. February ZF2GQ 1765

4. - 11. February ZF2GT 1765

3. - 17. February ZK2C 1765

- spring 2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

- February ZY78AA.. 1765

* = new or updated

.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8FA via NI5DX (B)

3B9/OE4AAC via OE4AAC (B)

3C6A via EA5BYP (d), (L)

3C0E via EA5BYP (d), (L)

4W0VB/p via UA4WHX (B)

5P12EU via OZ0J (B)

5P6Q/p via OZ7ADZ (B)

5V7V via I1FQH (B), (L)

6V7S via UA1OMX (B)

7P8GF via ZS6AYU

8P9CS via K9CS (B)

8P9VX via K9CS (B)

8P9WH via K9CS (B)

9A201CTL via 9A1CTL

A52JF via G4SGX (d), (L)

AH0J via JA1NVF (B)

AX8NSB via M0URX (B)

C6ALK via K7RE (d), (L)

C6ABB via N2RFA (d), (L)

C6AKQ via N4BP (d), (L)

C6ALC via K2KJI (d), (L)

C6APG via K4PG (d), (L)

C6APX via KC4PX (d), (L)

CE2/VE7SV via VE7WY (L), eQSL

CE8/DJ8QP via DJ8QP (B)

CR2V via HB9CRV (B), (L)

CS4ODX/p via CU3HY (B), (L)

CX7CO via WB3CDX (B)

DM800ANH via DM7DX (B)

E51BKV via F4BKV (B), (L)

E51NJB via N5JB (B), (L)

EA5URO via EA5HOX (B), (L), eQSL

ED9NA via EA9GW

EK3GM via IK2QPR (B)

EM4IFF via US5IQ

EM0BSCC via UU0JM (B)

EM0UBC via UR4UXD (B)

FG/F6ITD via F6ITD (B)

FK/F4BKV via F4BKV (B), (L)

FM/R5GA via UA3DX (B), (L)

FP/W6HGF via W6HGF (L)

H40FK via DG1FK (B)

H40FN via HA8DD (B) (*)

H44XB via W1XB

HL2/F4BKV via F4BKV (B), (L)

IP2ANT via IK2QPR (B)

J37RO via K4UPS (d), (L)

J38A via K4LTA (d), (L)

J38AZ via 8P6AZ (d)

J38RF via KE4TG

JW6VJA via LA6VJA (B), (L)

K7UGA via K7BHM (d)

KH0/ JA4JWD via JA4JWD

KH2/JS6RRR via JS6RRR (B)

KP2/KC5WXA via KC5WXA (B)

KP2/KZ5D via KZ5D

OD5PY via KU9C (d)

OP1V via ON4UDO

PP1AAA via PT2AA (B)

PS5F via PP5BZ (B)

RK3FWD via RD3FI

T88ME via 7N1RTO (B)

T88WG via JH1WGP

T88ZO via JA1IST (B), (L)

T88ZT via JA3HZT (B)

TO5X via UA3DX (B), (L)

V25AA via AA9A, (L)

V25WY via W4OWY (B)

V26G via N2ED (d), (L)

V31SG via K0UU (d), (L)

V47HAM via W5JON (L)

V47JA via W5JON (L)

V5/DK2WH via DK2WH (B)

VK/VA7DIN/mm via VA7DIN

XW0ZJZ via E21EIC (d)

XW3DT via OP's instructions

ZS1FZ via DJ3VV (B)

ZV5AJT via JH1AJT (B)

(d) = only direct

(B) = bureau ok

(*) = new QSL manager

(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)

QSLs arrived direct: 9N1FE (EA5ZD), AH0BT (7L1FPL), FS/DM2XO, FS/DM2XO,

TO5A (F5VHJ), TU2T (I2YSB), YN2CC.

QSLs arrived via LotW: A45WD, A92IO, AA4V/VP9, B7P, BA4ALC/4, C91XO,

DT8A, E4X, E51XIW, FT5GA, JT5DX, K4M, K5D,

KH2/N2NL, OX/DL1RTL, PJ2T, PJ4D, PJ4N, PJ4W,

PJ5/K1XM, PJ6A, PJ7E, PZ5C, T32C, T70A, TO5DX,

TO5RZ, TO7ZG, TX3A, TX5SPA, TX5SPM, V31YN, VK9DWX,

VP6DX, VP8ORK, XU7ACY, XV7RRC, YN2AA, ZF2OE, ZL8X,

3B8/SP2JMB, 3D20CR, 9M2MRS, 9X0R.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:

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Nouvelles DX, F8DVD, NG3K, VA3RJ and others.

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116. [RAC-Bulletin] 7095 LSB in use for earthquake in Philippines/7095 KHz blu est utilise pour les communications d'urgence aux Philippines aprs le tremblement de terre.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-07 22:55:31 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F314A89.20202@rac.ca>
Source record: 3733
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

7095 LSB in use for earthquake in Philippines/7095 KHz blu est
utilis&#65533;e pour les communications d'urgence aux Philippines apr&#65533;s le
tremblement de terre.
2012-02-07

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I received a mesage this morning from a shortwave listener in Taiwan
that 7095 KHz ssb is in use for emergency communications in the
Philippines after the earthquake that happened Monday. Thanks to Keith
Perron for this measage.
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J'ai re&#65533;u un mesage ce matin d'un auditeur ondes courtes &#65533; Taiwan que

7095 KHz blu est utilis&#65533;e pour les communications d'urgence aux
Philippines apr&#65533;s le tremblement de terre qui s'est produit lundi.
Merci &#65533; Keith Perron pour ce message.

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(Traduction par James Hay, VE2VE)

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117. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 30 January - 05 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-07 23:00:15 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120207230005.CC49933C6C@panix2.panix.com>
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Feb 07 2148 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 January - 05 February 2012

Solar activity ranged from very low to low levels throughout the
period with two C-class flares observed. Region 1410 (N18, L=056,
class/area Cso/240 on 01 February) produced a C1 event at 0440Z on
30 January. The second event was also a C1 flare, at 0441Z on 01
February from Region 1408 (N06, L=132, Class/area Hax/120 on 21
January). Low level B-class activity dominated the remainder of the
period. As the summary period ended, there were only three spotted
regions on the visible disk, with Regions 1413 (N08, L=062,
class/area Csi/100) and 1410 the most pronounced.

The greater than 10 MeV proton event which began at 27/1905Z and
reached a maximum of 796 pfu on 28/0205Z, dropped below the 10 pfu
threshold and ended at 31/0635Z.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached
high levels on 30 January at 1635Z. Predominantly background levels
prevailed with moderate levels observed from 03 - 04 February.

The geomagnetic field was at predominantly quiet to unsettled levels
during the past week. The geomagnetic field was quiet, until the
arrival of a glancing blow from the asymmetric halo CME that
occurred in association with the X1/1f flare on 27 January. The
transient passage was observed by the ACE spacecraft at 30/1554Z
with a solar wind speed increase from around 320 km/s to near 430
km/s. A weak sudden impulse measuring 8 nT was observed by the
Boulder magnetometer at 30/1624Z. The field increased to unsettled
levels following the shock but returned to quiet levels by 31/0000Z.
Quiet conditions prevailed on 31 January. On 01 February, a coronal
hole high speed stream became geoeffective with unsettled to minor
storm levels observed at high latitudes and predominantly quiet
levels observed at mid latitudes from 01 February through the end of
the summary period on 05 February.
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Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
08 February - 05 March 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels until 10 February, when old Region 1402 (N28, L=214) returns. An increase to low levels with a chance for M-class activity is expected as old Region 1402 transits the visible disk. A decrease to very low to levels is expected to prevail for the remainder of the period.

Energetic proton flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to remain near background levels until old Region 1402 returns on 10 February. A slight chance exists for a proton event from 10 -24 February, as old Region 1402 transits the solar disk. A return to background levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels throughout the period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to remain at mostly quiet to unsettled levels through the forecast period. There is potential for active periods with isolated minor storm periods at high latitudes on 09-10 February, on 23 February, and again on 02-03 March, due to effects from coronal hole high speed wind streams.

118. [RAC-Bulletin] Agenda Item 1.23 Passes Committee, Moves to Plenary.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-08 05:34:43 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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Agenda Item 1.23 Passes Committee, Moves to Plenary.
2012-02-07

On the afternoon of Tuesday, February 7 (Geneva time), Committee 4 of the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) approved Option 1 to satisfy Agenda Item 1.23, with minor editorial amendments to the text received from Working Group 4C. Option 1 calls for a worldwide secondary allocation to the Amateur Service at 472-479 kHz, with a power limit of 1 W EIRP, with a provision for administrations to permit up to 5 W EIRP for stations located more than 800 km from certain countries that wish to protect their aeronautical radionavigation service (non-directional beacons) from any possible interference. Option 2 was NOC (no change to the current rules).

In keeping with the rules of the Conference, Committee decisions must be read twice in Plenary session; the decision of the Conference is not final until after second reading in Plenary. According to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, quite a few additional administrations -- mainly in the former Soviet Union and Arab states -- will be adding their country names to the Footnotes prior to consideration in Plenary.

Iran proposed that the 800 km distance be changed to 2000 km, and have this cited in a Footnote, but there was no support. Both CEPT and CITEL, along with the Netherlands, opposed this change. Colin Thomas, G3PSM, is the CEPT spokesman and ARRL Technical Relations Specialist Jonathan Siverling, WB3ERA, is the spokesman for CITEL.

Footnotes offer an administration (a country) to "opt out" of the decision of a WRC, creating an exception to the table of frequencies in the Radio Regulations. For example, a country may say that it will not use a certain service in a portion of the spectrum that has been designated for that service by the WRC. Therefore, a footnote is created in the Radio Regulations for that portion of the spectrum, indicating a designated use is not available in that country, even though it may be available in many other parts of the world.

"Another issue we have been following closely is the introduction of allocations for HF oceanographic radars, which is Agenda Item 1.15," Sumner said. "It is now clear that there will be no impact on amateur allocations, including the 5 MHz channels we are allowed to use in the US".

Agenda Item 1.15 deals with oceanographic radar. "One of the candidate bands for the placement of oceanographic radar is 5.250-5.275 MHz,"

explained IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD. "There have been a number of administrations that have granted amateurs access to spectrum around 5 MHz. In fact,one of the bands listed by IARU as a spectrum requirement for a future allocation is 5 MHz. If oceanographic radar is operating in the 5.250-5.275 MHz band, that may impact the ability of the amateurs to obtain an allocation in that area".

One of the responsibilities of each WRC is to set the agenda for the next Conference; WRC-12 delegates will therefore set the agenda for WRC-15. "Proposals for agenda items for WRC-15 are still in a state of flux," Sumner explained, "so there is as yet nothing concrete to report. The agenda item for an amateur allocation around 5300 kHz is still alive, but a positive outcome is by no means certain".

VIA the ARRL Web site.

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119. EARN EXTRA INCOME - WORK AT HOME

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Date: 2012-02-08 06:18:15 UTC
From: wonder world <onehourwork.2012@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <ef1518b2-098e-4e74-b9c5-6490d2fd358c@4g2000pbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3736

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http://venuonlinejobs.blogspot.com

120. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 8 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-08 11:09:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <047d7b339d357eac6604b871ec23@google.com>
Source record: 3737
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Joe Taylor, K1JT to address the Munich Technical Forum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WDeqZSdqZfc/joe_taylor_k1jt_%20to_addre
ss_the_munich_technical_forum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Nobel Laureate Joe Taylor, K1JT, will present 'Recent Advances in Amateur
Weak Signal Communication' to the Munich Technical Forum
(Amateurfunktagung) in Munich

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Student satellite launch to be broadcast live

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZL_k-6ZEXkM/student_satellite_launch_to
_be_broadcast_live.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The launch of eight student amateur radio satellites on February 13 from
the space center at Kourou in the Caribbean will be broadcast live on the
Internet

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WRC-12: 472-479 kHz nearly done

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R7oemUomrZY/wrc12_472_479_khz_nearly_do
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Hans Blondeel Timmerman PB2T reports on progress in Geneva with the
proposed 472 kHz Amateur Service allocation

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Lothal activation by VUs

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Lothal in Gujrat in India, where relics of Harappan port city, (2500 B.C.)
are to be found, is going to be activated by VU Hams in February 2012

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AM for ANZAC Day

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North Queensland Radio Amateurs will be involved with the AM for ANZAC Day event on the 25th of April from 0300UTC

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Foundation Course - Lymington Community Centre

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There will be a 5-week, evening Amateur Radio Foundation Course in Lymington, on the edge of the New Forest, starting at 7pm on Wednesday, February 15

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Diamond DXCC Challenge

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JoXHmhwhLwI/diamond_dxcc_challenge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Some have noticed that the current operation from the entity Nauru (C21HA) can not be found on the 1937 ARRL Diamond DXCC entity list - that is because it is NOT there and will not count toward the award

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/teJJV2ceGMM/february_08.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Keeping your station on air in severe weather conditions

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With Australia's summer well and truly here, radio amateurs there are increasingly giving thought as to how to keep their station on air in severe weather conditions that could result in power shortages, storms or fires

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Video about the Vega satellites

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Wq1v701Kczw/video_about_the_vega_satell

ites.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first qualification Vega flight from the space center at Kourou in the Caribbean is scheduled to take place on February 13 and a video showing the payloads is now available

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Coloane Island DXpedition

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/A5PtI0OJsco/coloane_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Nine members of the 'A DX Group' (ADXG) will be active from Coloane Island (AS-075, WW Grid OL62SC) between May 17-23rd

121. MMMonVHF Newsletter No1-Week 6 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-08 21:45:29 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201202082113.q18LDiid005112@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3738
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** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.1 - WEEK 06/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-02-08
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 **

The team of MMMonVHF is very proud to publish the results of the
"Best VHF DX expedition 2011"

The winners:

SECTION MS

1st place and "Best VHF MS expedition 2011" : C37MS
2nd place: 7P8EME
3rd place: US8ZAL/P

SECTION EME

1st place and "Best VHF EME expedition 2011" : C56EME
2nd place: 7P8EME
3rd place: 8P9DL / 8P9MS / 8P9HP

On behalf of the whole VHF-community, the team MMMonVHF is
congratulating the members of both expeditions with their title
of honour. This is our way to thank them for their efforts and
great expeditions.

But our thanks and respects are also going to all who went on
expeditions and spended time and money in giving us new DXCC's
and squares and we hope that many more are encouraged to do so also!

As always we also give an extra T-shirt to one of the voters that was
selected random. The winner of this T-shirt is Eene, PA3CEG.

The complete results are published om the MMMonVHF webpage:

http://mmmonvhf.de/trophy.php

SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the team of MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

Hello OM,
everything is ready for the J5 Guinea-Bissau DXpedition.
We finally received all the permits from the authorities in Bissau.
The calls J52EME for V-UHF and J52HF for HF are confirmed.
Two groups will operate simultaneously, with preference to the most
difficult communications, ie EME.
After much work we can announce that we'll be active on:
144 MHz with 2x8 xpol, preamplifier gift of WA2ODO, amplifier ITB
Colibrï¿½ 1kw.
432 MHz with 2 homemade LFA antennas 18 elements, yet to be found
preamplifier, amplifier ITB Colibrï¿½ 600w.
50 MHz, homemade LFA antenna 5 elements, amplifier ACOM 1000, homebuild
preamp MGF1302.
In the beginning was our intention to just operate 2m EME, but we have
received many requests for both 70cm and 6m, so we hope to please everyone.
In the first few days we'll be active on 144 MHz EME and HF, with some
jump on 6m Supertropo and ES. Then we'll pass on 430 and 50 MHz. We'll
try to satisfy everyone.
Just on arriving a group will start to create an internet connection
for the hospital, so we can use it too.
Frequencies:
144,130, 432.900 and 50.200. We'll call always in the even period.
Thanks for the help that you'll can give to our humanitarian/ham-radio
expedition.
Renato I3EJ we'll keep you informed during the DXpedition on our site:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm
and email questions to: veronadxteam@ari.verona.it

See you soon from J5 !
73 de I3LDP VeronaDXteam.

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3987

SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

** DXCC: 4U_ITU; square JN36BF; start 2012-03-23

After both C37MS and C56EME did win the trophy MMM expedition of the
year 2011 section MS and
EME, Chris and Rene where thinking to celebrate this by doing
something back for all those voters.

We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter from the ITU building in Geneva as
4U1ITU.
4U1ITU counts as a separate entity for the DXCC award and has never
been activated in WSJT.

We will be there from March 23rd till March 25th 2012, so only 3 days!
Don't miss it.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)
If all ok we will have a small 6 meter and 70cm setup with us too.

We will be on N0UK for last minute freq change.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

73 Chris PA2CHR, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4114

SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire (PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit insecure but

we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4108

** DXCC: FG; square: FK96; start 2012-04-12 **

FG4KH (FK96) is annouced to be QRV on 144 MHz in the period between April 12
and April 26 2012. Further details are on URL
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/

The 432 MHz expedition ended and QSL's will be send when ready.

SOURCE: Philippe, F1DUZ, to Moon-Net, Jan. 18th.

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** Bonaire, PJ4 **

Considering some messages received since the end of the past PJ4C 2012
Dxpedition, by F6KOP ARC, a new log with mistakes fixed has been
uploaded on Clublog, Feb. 6th at 17.20 UTC

http://www.pj4c.com/pj4c/joomla/online-log

There will be if necessary a new version uploaded on Clublog, at the
end of February.

LotW uploading is scheduled, but several months of patience are asked.

73 de Bernard, F9IE, QSL manager for the past PJ4C Dxpedition
qsl.pj4c@orange.fr <mailto:qsl.pj4c@orange.fr>

SOURCE: F5NQL, member F6KOP to MMMonVHF

** Macau, XX9 **

A team consisting of EA5BZ, EA5CEE, EA6DD, EB5BBM, F5VLY, EA1ACP,
EA5FX, EA7FTR and EB7DX will be active from Coloane Island, Macau
between May 17-23, 2012.

They plan to be active from 6 to 160 meters (include WARC) in CW,
SSB and RTTY with at least 3 stations simultaneously in different
bands and modes.

QSL via EB7DX.

Website: http://www.adxg.org/xx9/

** DXCC: ON; Square: several; start 2012-04-14

Special event station ON100TT qrv from up april 14th

UBA Sectie ON4EKO will activate the special event station ON100TT to
commemorate the Titanic Centenary between 14 April and 31 December,
2012. QRV on all HF and VHF bands, using all modes. QSL via ON4WDL,
direct (with SAE + 2 green stamps) or by the Bureau.

SOURCE: [UBA HF News]

** DXCC: G; Square: IO91; start 2012-04-10

Special Event Station GR100MGY will be activated between 10-15th April, 2012

The sinking of White Star Line's RMS Titanic on 15th April 1912 sent shock-waves
around the world and has touched our hearts ever since. To commemorate this
tragic event, special event station GR100MGY will be activated between 10-15th
April, 2012. Some fifteen operators will man two 400 watt transmitters on the
eight HF bands from 3.5 to 28 MHz, using directional antennas. Only CW will be
used except on the open days, 14-15th April, when SSB will help the public to
understand the operation. Activity on VHF is also planned. QSL information can
be found on QRZ.com. GR100MGY will be located at 0?37'18" West, 51?11'49" North,
Locator IO91QE: Charterhouse, Hurtmore Road, Godalming, Surrey, GU7 2DX, England
(EU-005, WLOTA 1841).

SOURCE:[dx-world.net]

** 3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND **

Operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM will once
again be active from Annobon Island (AF-039) and Bioko Island (AF-010,
DXCC - Equatorial Guinea) using the callsigns 3C0E and 3C6A, respectively.

According to their Web page they arrive at Malabo, Equatorial Guinea, by
the middle of February. (dates to be determined). In Malabo, they will
purchase all needed provisions as there are on stores on the island of
Annobon. A representative of the Ministry will also be traveling with
them to Annobon. If they have free time, they will have a active station
on the air on CW or SSB and RTTY using the callsign 3C6A from Malabo,
Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea. Then they will travel to Annobon and
be active as 3C0E. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Suggested frequencies

are:
CW - 1826.5 (*RX), 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024
SSB - 3785, 7075/7145, 14190, 18140, 21295, 24960 and 28480
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50.104/CW and 50.145/SSB MHz
RX AS/OC 1821.5
RX EU/NA 1834.0
QSL both callsigns via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernabï¿½ Coll, P.O.Box 3097,
03080 Alicante, Spain. They are looking for sponsors for this very
expensive operation. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at:

http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

SOURCE: [OPDX] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1047

** South Shetland, VP8/S **

Adrian EA1CYK/P is active from VP8/S

Until March 2012, Adrian EA1CYK/P is active on 6m SSB and digital modes
during spare time from the Antarctic base of Gabriel de Castilla (WAP: ESP-02)
on Deception Island, South Shetland AN-010. If possible he will also try to be
active from the Juan Carlos I (WAP: ESP-01) base on Livingstone Island.
He will be qrv 06:00 AM UTC y las 14:00 PM UTC at weekends and 15:00 y 18:00 PM
UTC on working days. QSL via EA7LS.

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4110

SOURCE: tnx to EA3AKY via MMMonVHF

** Gabon, TR **

Sebastien, F4EIH will be in Gabon for at least three years starting on
1 February. He plans to operate SSB, PSK31 and JT65 on the HF and VHF
(EME and Satellite) bands.

SOURCE: F6AJA, Les Nouvelles DX via 425dxn]

** Spratly Islands, 9M0 **

Plans for the expedition to Layang Layang, Spratly Islands are developing.
A large team of operators from Malaysia, Japan and England, divided up
into three groups, is expected to be active as 9M0L indicatively between
5 and 17 April. A website is under construction at http://9m0l.legendchew.com/

SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) 30 Jan. 2012

** Niue, ZK2 **

A German team consisting of Heidi DK1MA, Sid DM2AYO, Rolf DL7VEE, Jan
DL7JAN, Klaus DK1AX, J?rgen DF1AL, Heye DJ9RR, Dietmar DL2HWA and Uwe
DJ9HX plan to be active as ZK2C from the Namukulu Cottages, located in
the north-west part of the Niue Island (IOTA OC-040, WFF ZLFF-021, WLOTA
2139, WW Loc. AH51BB), from 3-17 February, 2012. They will be QRV on all
bands (160m to 6m) in CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations on air
simultaneously using 500 watt solid state amplifiers and various
antennas. QSL Bureau via DL7JAN or direct and OQRS.
Online log will be available at ClubLog. Further information and updates
on their website at: http://zk2c.hkmann.de/

SOURCE: dx-world.net via ICPO

** Ogasawara, JD1 **

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1
from Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

** St. Kilda, GM **

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands (EU-059,
Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time, from 16-21 May, 2012.
QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

** 4U1, ITU HQ (Special Activity), qrv HF and 50 MHz **

The International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, will be operating with the special
callsign 4U1WRC between January 23rd and February 17th. Activity will take place

during the ITU World Radio Conference 2012 (WRC-12) from Geneva, Switzerland.
Operations will be from 160-6 meters, eventually higher, all modes.
All QSOs will be confirmed with a special QSL available via 4U1ITU. Short updates
of the operation will be posted on twitter at: http://twitter.com/4u1itu
More detailed information is availabe on the Web site at: http://life.itu.int/radioclub

SOURCE: [GOLIST] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1046

** Democratic Republic of Congo, 9Q6

Barney, ZS4U (ZS6TQ) will be active from the Democratic Republic of Congo
between March 10 to April 5, 2012 as 9Q6/ZS4U.

QRV on 40-6m CW, SSB and PSK.

QSL via home call.

SOURCE: dx-world.net, (Jan. 24, 2012)

** Malta, 9H

Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active from the island of Malta
(EU-023, MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, CQ zone 15) as 9H3PP during the CQWW WPX CW
Contest (26-27 May, 2012). Plans are for a Single-Op/Single-Band entry, either
15m or 10m. After the contest Zoli will focus on some 6m and 12m activity. QSL
via home call.

SOURCE: [ICPO] ICPO Bulletin (03 - 10 February 2012)

** United Kingdom, G **

2O12L will be the callsign of the London ham radio station
celebrating the Olympic Games and Paralympics. Based at Eltham Palace (WW Loc.
JO01AK), which is in the Borough of Greenwich, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841), one
of the six 'host boroughs' for the Games, five stations will be active
simultaneously, three on HF and two on VHF. Operation will cover the period of
the Olympics and Paralympics, and the two weeks in between (27 July to 9
September, 2012). In total they plan to make at least 60,000 contacts during the
seven week period. Visitors may view an exhibition about radio communications
and electronics, and sit down at the radio and make contact with amateur radio
operators right around the world. They are also offering 'bite-sized' talks
giving an overview of radio and its importance in the modern world. All hams who
visit the Olympics, from anywhere around the world, are encouraged to visit
2O12L. QSL via G4WNF, direct or Bureau. Please check website often, for updates
as the project progresses at: www.2o12l.com/

SOURCE: [dx-world.net]

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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122. Nebraska State Convention: about a month away!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-08 23:59:48 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120208134020.36FFA2036B@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3739
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

This is a reminder that the ARRL Nebraska State Convention will take
place on Saturday, March 17, 2012. The event starts at 8:30 am and
will run through 3 pm.

The Lincoln Amateur Radio Club has worked hard to make this a great
one. From an EOSS balloon launch through visiting with ARRL's Chief
Operating Officer, Harold Kramer, WJ1B, there will be plenty to do.
And when you're not in a forum or watching a launch, you can visit the
flea market to pick up a needed treasure.

This year, you can get a head-start on the registration process by
using a credit card or PayPal to prepay.

For more information and all the details, please visit
http://lincolnhamfest.org .

I'll be there. I hope you will join me.

73, Art K0AIZ

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
k0aiz@arrl.org
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123. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-008E - Amateur of the Year for 2011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-09 05:19:56 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F335751.10303@rac.ca>
Source record: 3740
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RAC Bulletin 2012-008E - Amateur of the Year for 2011
2012-02-09

The RAC Board of Directors takes great pleasure in announcing the selection of Dr. Cezar Trifu, VE3LYC of Kingston, ON as the Canadian Radio Amateur of the Year for 2011. Dr. Trifu exemplifies the Canadian Amateur with numerous IOTA DXpeditions since 2008 covering Canadian Islands and recently overseas islands. He has raised the profile of Canadian Amateur operations world-wide with thousands of QSOs with DXCCs covering over six continents. His dedication to HF operations has been recognized with the DXCC Honor Roll, IOTA Honour Roll, IOTA Gold Level Awards, Canadian Islands Award and US Islands Award to name a short list of numerous awards. Cezar has also raised the national and international awareness of the Canadian Amateur scene with over twenty multi language articles in several amateur journals.

A presentation will be made to Dr. Trifu in the coming weeks with an article and more on his nomination to appear in the May-June 2012 issue of The Canadian Amateur magazine.

Paul Burggraaf, VO1PRB
RAC Corporate Secretary

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

124. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 9 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-09 11:06:26 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf301d4274cbeeb604b885ff97@google.com>
Source record: 3741
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yD0Utqev6KU/february_09.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A fair week through to Friday when it picked up and blossomed on the weekend

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1st Interplanetary CubeSat Workshop

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The 1st Interplanetary CubeSat Workshop takes place in Cambridge,
Massachusetts, May 29-30, 2012

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Flanders SAR breakthrough

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6DSReO--j4I/flanders_sar_breakthrough.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Belgium national amateur radio society the UBA report there may be a
breakthrough regarding the restrictive SAR regulations in Flanders

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Dominican Republic on 5 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/04-l269K6cg/dominican_republic_on_5_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur Radio operators in the Dominican Republic have recently been
granted permission to use seven 5 MHz channels

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Astronaut Janice Voss KC5BTK SK

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NASA astronaut Janice Voss, KC5BTK, of Houston, Texas, passed away on
February 7 from cancer. She was 55

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Budapest University Masat-1 telemetry decoder software released

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Dr. Bandi Gschwindt HA5WH, Project Director of the Masat-1 CubeSat, the
first Hungarian satellite, built in Hungary by students at the Budapest
University of Technology and Economics, reports that their satellite is
expected to be launched on the Vega maiden flight on February 13 with a
planned deployment window between 10:00-13:00 UTC

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School Club Roundup

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School Club Roundup (SCR) is sponsored by the ARRL, its Hudson Division
Education Task Force and and the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club
(LIMARC), to foster contacts with and among school radio clubs

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Amateur radio club gets space at airport

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Wood County Airport Authority have unanimously approved allowing the
Parkersburg Amateur Radio Klub to use space at the airport

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Radio Amateur of the Year for 2011

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The RAC Board of Directors takes great pleasure in announcing the selection
of Dr. Cezar Trifu, VE3LYC of Kingston, ON as the Canadian Radio Amateur of
the Year for 2011

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First movie shot in space

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The first science fiction film shot in space could be coming to viewers here on Earth. This after NASA confirms it's almost ready to give approval for the project

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TV News report on ISS contacts

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xxXpcbUV4NI/tv_news_report_on_iss_contacts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This TV news report from 2010 covers the contacts Thomas Medlin W5KUB had with astronaut Doug Wheelock KF5BOC while he was on the International Space Station

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Hungarys Media Council extends Klubrdi temporary licence by 60 days

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WrbDcwdE-zc/klubradio_extension.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hungary’s Media Council decided on Tuesday to grant a 60-day provisional licence to Klubrádió to conclude a contract for broadcasts on different frequencies, at the request of the radio station

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James Corney G0ICQ - SK

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/I9jmr7VAiNI/james_corney_g0icq_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The York Press reports that former Haxby Road School headmaster and radio amateur James Corney has died at the age of 87

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Olympic call sign

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YR6g-5NGNIQ/olympic_call_sign.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Warrington Amateur Radio Club have been granted the Olympic call sign GB2012MV (Manchester Venue)

125. The ARRL Letter for February 9, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-09 21:45:54 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120209202754.B22B82440F@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + FCC NEWS: NEW RULES FOR 5 MHZ (60 METERS) TO GO INTO EFFECT MARCH
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On November 18, the FCC released a Report and Order, defining new
rules for the 60 meter (5 MHz) band. These rules are in response to a
Petition for Rulemaking filed by the ARRL more than five years ago and
a June 2010 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. In the February 3 edition of
the Federal Register, the FCC announced that these new rules will go
into effect on March 5, 2012. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/new-rules-for-5-mhz-60-meters-to-go-into-effect-mar
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==> + WRC-12: AGENDA ITEM 1.23 PASSES COMMITTEE, MOVES TO PLENARY

On the afternoon of February 7, Committee 4 of the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) approved Option 1 to satisfy Agenda Item 1.23, with minor editorial amendments to the text received from Working Group 4C. Option 1 calls for a worldwide secondary allocation to the Amateur Service at 472-479 kHz, with a power limit of 1 W EIRP, with a provision for administrations to permit up to 5 W EIRP for stations located more than 800 km from certain countries that wish to protect their aeronautical radionavigation service (non-directional beacons) from any possible interference. Option 2 was NOC (no change to the current rules).

In keeping with the rules of the Conference, Committee decisions must be read twice in Plenary Session; the decision of the Conference is not final until after second reading in Plenary. According to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, quite a few additional administrations -- mainly in the former Soviet Union and Arab states -- will be adding their country names to the Footnotes prior to consideration in Plenary. Sumner said that Agenda Item 1.23 should have its first reading in the Plenary on Friday, February 10, with its second reading sometime next week. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/agenda-item-1-23-passes-committee-moves-to-plenary> .

==> + WRC-12: HOW ARE AGENDA ITEMS PROCESSED AT A WRC?

By IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD

The procedures used by the International Telecommunication Union before and during a World Radiocommunication Conference seem complicated. They are somewhat complicated, but they are understandable with a bit of background. Each Agenda Item that will be decided at a WRC has been studied for at least three or four years leading up to a WRC. ITU Study Groups and Working Parties discuss the issues involved in the Agenda Item. Compatibility studies, sharing studies and experiments take place whenever needed, so that discussions and decisions can be made based upon facts, rather than opinions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/wrc-update-how-are-agenda-items-processed-at-a-wrc> .

==> + WRC-12: PROPOSED MARITIME MOBILE ALLOCATION GETS FIRST READING AT WRC-12 PLENARY SESSION

At the February 3 Plenary Session of the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12), delegates heard the first reading and approved a worldwide exclusive allocation to Maritime Mobile of 495-505 kHz. There will need to be a second reading to finalize the allocation. According to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, discussion of this allocation to Maritime Mobile

"has been in the works throughout the conference preparation (i.e. since 2008) and was the reason why the MF amateur allocation could not be made in this band as some amateurs had hoped. That's why we [the Amateur Radio Service] had to look elsewhere and is what put us in conflict with aeronautical radionavigation."

==> + WRC-12: NOBEL LAUREATE JOE TAYLOR, K1JT, ADDRESSES PLENARY SESSION AT WRC-12, RECEIVES ITU GOLD MEDAL

On February 3, delegates and attendees at the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference had the pleasure of listening Joe Taylor, K1JT, share his vision of the future of radiocommunication. Taylor -- an ARRL Member -- won the Nobel Prize in physics in 1993 <http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/physics/laureates/1993/> for the discovery of a binary pulsar, a discovery which has opened up new possibilities for the study of gravitation. After the speech, International Telecommunication Union Secretary General Dr Hamadoun Tour&#65533;, HB9EHT, presented Taylor with the ITU Gold Medal in recognition of Taylor's outstanding contribution to the research in the field of radiocommunication.

Dr Tour&#65533; introduced Taylor to the Plenary. In his introduction, he told the audience that Amateur Radio led to Taylor's career as a radio astronomer, and ultimately to his winning the Nobel Prize: "I'm told that an early interest in Amateur Radio led Joe Taylor to an exciting career in radio astronomy, which then earned him the 1993 Nobel Prize in physics. I share his interest in Amateur Radio with passion, but will that lead me to a Nobel Prize? I'm working on it!"

Taylor began his speech by thanking the WRC-12 delegates for the job they were doing at the Conference. "I understand that you have come to Geneva from more than 150 of the ITU's Member States," he said. "You are here to do an important job, an essential one, for nearly all of humanity in today's world. You are charged to do your upmost to accommodate the wide variety of competing interests of all users of the radio frequency spectrum and its available orbits for Earth satellites. This is surely not an easy task. Most people give very little thought to the complicated issues that you face. Why should they, since for most of us, most of the time, the technologies that depend on these limited resources just seem to work. But I know, and each one of you knows, that much background work and many long negotiations are often necessary in order to make everything fit together and work in harmony."

Taylor noted new discoveries "that have fundamentally changed or expanded our understanding of nature's laws, or might do so in the near future." But, he said, these discoveries will not affect the ITU or future WRCs for "at least not for many decades to come. This is because our fundamental understanding of electromagnetism is already in a mature state. Maxwell's equations <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maxwell%27s_equations>, after all, have

been thoroughly tested now for 150 years. And in principle, they tell us everything we need to know in order to exploit the wonders of telecommunications at the speed of light. Our understanding of these laws of nature, including what they tell us is possible and not possible, is not likely to change, even in the more distant future. But of course we can still develop new and improved ways of generating, controlling and detecting electromagnetic radiation, as well as clever new ways of effectively sharing the spectral resources that we have. Such advances as these will surely continue, and perhaps they will even increase. The fundamental science may be mature, but technology's ability to exploit and build upon electromagnetic phenomena is still rapidly developing.

"It's interesting to comment in passing on the fundamental differences between the bounded radio frequency spectrum and the balance, for example, on accessible fossil fuels. Limitations of the radio spectrum are a result of fundamental laws of nature. Every nation on Earth, and indeed every person on Earth, has access, in principle, to the same spectrum as everyone else. The amount of accessible oil, on the other hand, depends on the much more complicated way on how the Earth formed and evolved over time, and fossil fuels are not evenly distributed over the Earth and they are expendable. When it's gone, there's none left. The electromagnetic spectrum, on the other hand, will always be there, whether or not we humans are around here to enjoy using it. Moreover, the spectrum can be shared by many users simultaneously, and shared use can be especially effective if adequate planning is done in advance. That planning, of course, is an essential part of your assignments here.

"Future technologies will surely make even better uses of wireless communication than we do today. I foresee plenty of scope for contributions for new technologies. Information and communication technologies have much to offer for the betterment of the human condition everywhere, and perhaps especially so in the developing world. It is extremely important to continue seeking the best efficiencies in the use of the spectrum. I wish you every success in your task of creating wise and fair guidelines for regulators and policy makers who must allocate the limited resources in the very best interest of all mankind."

You can view Taylor's speech on YouTube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F028RKkLefI>, courtesy of Andy Clegg, W4JE.

==> ON THE AIR: THE 2012 ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CW CONTEST TAKES TO THE AIR NEXT WEEKEND

CW DXing and contesting take center stage the weekend of February 18-19, as the 2012 ARRL International DX CW Contest takes to the airwaves. "After years of lackluster conditions on 15 and 10 meters, 2011 finally saw the propagation gods giving us a break," said ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "Since September 2011, the

high bands have been in excellent shape, with worldwide openings on 15 and 10 meters becoming an almost-daily occurrence. As a result, activity has spiked in almost every major contest, with hundreds more logs being submitted. If conditions hold -- and I don't see why they wouldn't -- we're in for another high-band treat in another week or so." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-2012-arrl-international-dx-cw-contest-takes-to-the-air-next-weekend>.

==> ARRL HQ: SAVE THE DATE! TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR OF W1AW ON FEBRUARY 12

Join W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, on a virtual tour of W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-antenna-farm>, the Amateur Radio station at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut. Carcia will lead this tour via a live webcast on Sunday, February 12 at 5 PM EST (2200 UTC). Anyone with an Internet connection will be able to watch the tour here <http://www.awecast.tv/channels/arrl/>.

"We want viewers of this live Internet tour to feel as if they are actually at W1AW," Carcia explained. "If you came to W1AW in person, you would see the same things that we are going to show on the virtual tour: The three operating stations, the W1AW workshop, the transmitter racks that we use to send out our bulletins and use for the code practice transmission, the control console and Old Betsy <http://www.arrl.org/images/view/web_008.jpg>, Hiram Percy Maxim's personal spark gap transmitter."

Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of the New Day Group <http://www.newdayhd.com/>, will follow Carcia as he leads viewers through the station. ARRL Staff members, including Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, and Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, as well as local television weatherman Geoff Fox, K1GF <http://www.geofffox.com/>, will also be on hand at W1AW during the tour.

"Hams around the world know of W1AW, and thousands have made contacts with this impressive station -- but most hams never get to see it," Pitts said. "Thanks to Al Petrunti's group, we hope that folks enjoy seeing what's at the other end of the signals. As in all live broadcasts, you never know just what might happen. We invite you to join us." Pitts is producing the live web tour.

This is the second video that the New Day Group has made for the ARRL. In 2011, they created the HR 607 video <http://www.arrl.org/hr-607> that educated radio amateurs of a bill in Congress that addressed certain spectrum management issues, including the creation and maintenance of a nationwide Public Safety broadband network using current Amateur Radio spectrum.

==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: 2012 FIELD DAY PACKET NOW AVAILABLE

It's that time of year again -- time to start gearing up for ARRL Field Day, June 23-24, 2012! ARRL's flagship operating event -- always

held the fourth full weekend in June -- brings together new and experienced hams for 24 hours of operating fun. Field Day packets are now available for download <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday> and include the complete rules, as well as other reference items such as forms, ARRL Section abbreviation list, entry submission instructions, a Frequently Asked Questions section, guidelines for getting bonus points, instructions for GOTA stations and a kit to publicize your event with the local press. A brief one-page flyer with basic "What is Field Day" information has also been included in this year's Field Day packet. Amateur Radio clubs and individuals are encouraged to reproduce this flyer as a handout for information tables.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun rolling high through the sapphire sky <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hSFKnYD5rp4>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity was down again this week -- this is the third week in a row with sunspot numbers lower than the week prior. On January 20, we reported an average daily sunspot number of 116.9 for January 12-18, 98.7 the next week, followed by 62 the week of January 26-February 1, and now 40.4 during the latest period. The solar flux forecast -- which roughly tracks sunspot numbers; we don't have access to any short term sunspot number forecast -- is also lower. The latest forecast from NOAA/USAF has solar flux at 100 on February 9-11, 105 on February 12, and 110 on February 13-24. The predicted planetary A index is 8 on February 9-10, 5 on February 11, 8 on February 12-13, 5 on February 14-22, 8 on February 23, and 5 from February 24 through the end of the month. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 10. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Circle of Life <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Circle_of_life> from The Lion King <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Lion_King>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- February 10 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 11 -- FISTS Winter Sprint
- February 11-12 -- Louisiana QSO Party; New Hampshire QSO Party; CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest
- February 12 -- North American Sprint (SSB); SKCC Weekend Sprint
- February 12-13 -- Classic Exchange (Phone)
- February 13-17 -- ARRL School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>
- February 14-15 -- PODXS 070 Club Valentine Sprint (local time)
- February 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening

Next week:

- February 17 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 17-18 -- Russian PSK WW Contest
- February 18 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- February 18-19 -- ARRL International DX Contest (CW)
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>; AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party
- February 20 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- February 22 -- SKCC Sprint
- February 22-23 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> BE A STAR! DEADLINE FOR SECOND ANNUAL ARRL VIDEO CONTEST IS FEBRUARY 29

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Second Annual Video Contest! Here's a chance to put that video camera to use: Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our way. All videos must be postmarked by February 29, 2012. Burn your video to a CD or DVD using the appropriate software and mail it to ARRL Video Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Do not attempt to send it via e-mail, as our e-mail system cannot accommodate large files. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/be-a-star-deadline-for-second-annual-arrl-video-contest-is-february-29>.

==> + SILENT KEY: FORMER ITU-R DIRECTOR DICK KIRBY, W0LCT/HB9BOA (SK)

Richard "Dick" Kirby, W0LCT/HB9BOA, passed away on January 26. He was 89. In 1974, Kirby -- an ARRL Life Member -- was elected Director of the International Telecommunication Union's International Radio Consultative Committee; he served as Director until his retirement in 1995. In 1992, under Kirby's tenure as Director, the Committee became the ITU Radiocommunication Sector (ITU-R). One of three sectors at the ITU, ITU-R is responsible for matters concerning radio communication. Its role is to manage the international radio-frequency spectrum and satellite orbit resources, and to develop standards for radiocommunication systems with the objective of ensuring the effective use of the spectrum. While at the ITU, Kirby also served as President of the International Amateur Radio Club, 4U1ITU, the Amateur Radio station at ITU Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-itu-r-director-dick-kirby-w0lct-hb9boa-sk>.

==> + SILENT KEY: ASTRONAUT JANICE VOSS, KC5BTK (SK)

NASA astronaut Janice Voss, KC5BTK, of Houston, Texas, passed away on February 7 from cancer. She was 55. One of only six women who have flown in space five times, Voss' career was highlighted by her work and

dedication to scientific payloads and exploration. Voss participated in making ham radio contacts from space via the Space Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment (SAREX), the precursor to the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/astronaut-janice-voss-kc5btk-sk>.

==> SILENT KEY: WORLDRADIO FOUNDER ARMOND NOBLE, N6WR (SK)

Armond Noble, N6WR -- the founder of WorldRadio magazine and its publisher for 37 years -- passed away February 1 in Sacramento, California after a short illness. He was 77. WorldRadio was published monthly in printed form from July 1971 until the end of 2008, when Noble sold the magazine to Hicksville, New York-based CQ Communications Inc. With its February 2009 edition, the publication was renamed WorldRadio Online and became the first online-only major Amateur Radio publication . Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-worldradio-em-founder-armond-noble-n6wr-sk>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- February 10-12 -- ARRL Northern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northern-florida-section-convention-orlando-hamcation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 17-18 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie, Arkansas
- February 25 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont
- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest>,
Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-hamfest-2>,
Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>,
Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana-hamfest>,
Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-t
m>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
>,
Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine

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OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 12 2012.

HACK THE TUBE - A TRIP TO THE EDGE OF SPACE BY TEEN HAM ERIN KING, AK4JG

Erin King, AK4JG, of Columbia, Georgia, may only be a teenager but she has
already left a very positive imprint in our world of amateur radio.
Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details on Erin's magic carpet ride to the
edge of space and the video that is taking the ham radio community by storm:

Erin King, AK4JG has posted a video of her recent
amateur radio high altitude balloon mission for
the 'Hack the Tubes' project. This, for the
Massachusetts Institute of Technology's class of
2016's early admissions program. And when you
see it you will find it hard to believe that both
the flight and the video are the work of a very, very talented teen.

According to AK4JG, she decided to send her Tube to the edge of space by turning it into an amateur radio high-altitude ballooning project. To accomplish this, Erin used two GPS and APRS-equipped transmitters for payload tracking. One of these signed the call AK4JG-11 and the other beaconed her fathers call sign of K4ETY-11. Each one sent out position packets from the Tube so Erin could follow it on the ground.

Also on board the tube-shaped payload was an Earth viewing GoPro Hero camera shooting high definition video. And capture some breathtaking video of the entire flight it did.

Erin's payload was carried aloft by a Helium filled 800 gram weather balloon. Take-off took place on January 16th at around 1 P.M. Eastern time from Lumpkin, GA. The entire flight from launch to landing lasted about 2 hours. That is all compacted to 8 minutes during which Erin's video takes you from initial payload assembly of the trackers to the edge of space at over 90,000 feet and to recovery of the payload from where it landed in a pine tree.

The video is set to the music of "Circuit" by Sonic Adventure Project. There is no narration. Instead Erin and her very professional video editing skill lets the pictures tell the entire story. You can see it for yourself by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/AK4JG-balloon-video.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

Again, you will find Erin's video on-line at tinyurl.com/AK4JG-balloon-video

Go take a look. You will be glad that you did. AND it begs the question whatever happened to the VKs from 5 and 2 that used to experiment with ballooning?

To mark the 50th Anniversary of the Perth City of Light, the Hills Amateur Radio Group will make an ARISS contact. Taking resources from around the globe to make this possible.

In the middle of the night Dick (AH6NM) and Mike (N6GOZ) will be running their ARISS tracking station, pointing their antennas at the International Space Station and directing the feed across the globe to Perth, where we'll be sitting in the shade of the big-screen at the Northbridge Piazza.

Mike tells us that he's going to be fine with our Aussie slang, since he was born in Bris Vegas (Brisbane) and went to school in Tumby (Toowoomba). He also knows his station inside out, since he was one of the HAMs responsible for building the tracking facility. He's had a bit of Hawaii rub off on him,

he's been there since the late 70's, so we will have the best of both worlds.

Welcome aboard! Or as Mike put it, 73 and aloha

February 20th. Festivities start from 5pm on the Northbridge Piazza

(Onno VK6FLAB)

FROM RSGB.ORG WEBSITE - WRC-12 Day 16 - 7 February 2012 - YES!

Agenda Item 1.23 - 500kHz

Progress through Committee 4 (COM4) was a little easier than expected and the frequency band 472-479kHz will be allocated to the amateur service, on a Secondary basis. This is subject to no further objections being received during the two final readings through the plenary meetings

Agenda Item 1.15 - Oceanic Radar

It seems that tidying up the paperwork was not part of the intent when the sub-working group reconsidered these proposals. The entry for 5250-5275kHz remains in a footnote as a Primary user in Region 2 and Secondary in Regions 1 and 3. This paper has been elevated to Working Group 4A and could be considered by COM4. As the spectrum for this issue covers now extends to 42MHz, the references to HF have been removed.

Agenda Item 8.2 - Future Agenda Items

5MHz

Text for this proposal should have been agreed between Cuba and the US, seems that specific reference to the amount of spectrum required has been removed, as Cuba wanted 50kHz and the US offered 15kHz. The latter is of course less than US amateurs have under current arrangements. This is before the proposal even gets considered as a Future Agenda Item-

10GHz

There is a proposal for an allocation at 10GHz for the Earth Exploration Satellite Service for WRC-15. Initial investigations show there could be a small threat to the amateur services so this is being closely followed.

77GHz

Another likely agenda item for WRC-15 is "Allocation of the band 77.5-78.0 GHz to the radiolocation service to support automotive short-range high-resolution radar operations", otherwise known as anti-collision radar. This frequency band is currently allocated to the amateur services on a Primary basis

For updates on the above which is sourced to the RSGB go to http://www.rsgb.org

Twitter telegraph a reality

Just when you think you know about technology convergence along comes the simple Arduino project.

It involves a Morse code key, somewhat an old switch, with a new use in the form of modern Twitter.

Becoming a Tworse key you can send standard Twitter messages through a LAN cable and decoder.

The Arduino project includes the source code, hardware schematics and building instructions.

Check out @tworsekey on Twitter to read some examples sent from the actual device.

Or visit Google at https://code.google.com/p/tworsekey/

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Virtual tour of ARRL HQ station

On 12th February, amateurs worldwide will be able to enjoy a virtual tour of the station at ARRL HQ in a live webcast starting at 22.00 GMT.

W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, at ARRL Headquarters in Connecticut has appeared in many logs. Anyone with an internet connection will be able to watch the tour at www.awecast.tv/channels/arrl/

BUNYA MTS HAMFEST, MACLAGAN. SATURDAY.

Always good to hear how activity goes at events publicised here through VK1WIA

This report from the VK4 Wine and Ham Fest actually came from our good friends at Summerland, where a number of SARC members attended this very enjoyable Hamfest up in VK4.

Maclagan is 83 kms NW of Toowoomba, and about 400 kms from Lismore.

A very good day was had with 76 visitors logged and about 11 exhibitors.

Great hall, variety of gear there, incl wine tasting, catering etc.

Showing was a video of a lot of hard work building the 1989 Bunya Mts repeater.

Pic att of a general view, more at http://www.ourphotos.net.au/albums.php?album=3272

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

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Website: http://www.hadarc.org.au/
Twitter: http://twitter.com/VK2MA

(Julian Sortland, VK2YJS)

As I'm sure all will understand the CCARCs activities this month are filled with preparation for our field day at Wyong racecourse in just two weeks time however this does not stop other club activities completely.

In the amateur TV world we are now transmitting regular test broadcasts on 444.250 MHz These consist of educational material and are well worth a look. For those in the Central Coast area point your horizontally polarised 70cm beam towards Kariong and connect up your normal TV set each Monday and Tuesday from 7:30pm for an hour of interesting video then call in at 9pm on VK2RAG on 146.725 to give your reception report. This is an important action prior to our upgrading the VK2RTG repeater to digital TV output.
The terrestrial digital transmitter will be on display at the field day and then installed into operation soon thereafter.

Another repeater action is also well in progress. The CCARC six metre repeater is just awaiting the final updates to the controller software and then it will come on air from our newly extended repeater station building at Somersby and promises to cover a large area from its high location. This repeater will have the ability to be linked to one of our 70cm repeaters to allow cross band operation for Standard and Advanced calls.

On the HF bands the clubs tri-bander and rotator are down for maintenance but will soon be back up again, higher than before so VK2AFY, the clubs base call sign, will be stronger than ever.

The club has recently taken part in the VHF-UHF Field Day contest and plans to enter the John Moyle contest in March.

Preparations for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August are also well in hand with our location of Nobbys Head lighthouse in Newcastle booked.

For all details about what is happening at the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club, please refer to the clubs two websites;

CCARC.ORG.AU for all club news and FIELDDAY.ORG.AU for all you could want to know about the CCARC Field Day at Wyong racecourse.

73 - this is Ed VK2ARE on behalf of the CCARC.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Recently I had a discussion with a Foundation Licensed amateur who told me that he'd had some limited success making contacts using 10 Watts, but that he longed to have more power to get out and make better contacts.

While I understand the sentiment, I know from personal experience that it just isn't true. You don't need oodles of power to smack the audio against the receiver at the other end.

What you need is propagation and you need a set-up that works.

Now I'd be the first to admit that propagation is a bit of a mystery to me at the best of times, but my solution to that is to sit tight, listen and when lots of stations turn up at my door-step as it were - that is, I can hear lots of people calling - I've got a great chance at getting through.

What was a little more baffling to me was that this amateur, as I said, an F-Call had not really found a way to discuss his issues with any other amateurs. He'd been pretty isolated and only in discussing the issue with other F-Calls did he start investigating further.

I'd like to encourage you to ask around. Look who else is on air near you and talk to them about what you're seeing. The more people you talk to, the more you learn and the more you have a chance of getting to the magic point where you can get those elusive contacts on HF using your F-Call.

As I've said in the past, and I'll continue to say, power is not the answer, what you do with what you have is what makes the difference. Low power operation does not need to be a frustrating exercise in futility, QRP stations are doing this all the time.

Mostly it's a matter of attitude. Don't be shy. The amateurs around you who have their standard or advanced license needed to learn their craft too.

I'm Onno, VK6FLAB

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club assessors have conducted amateur exams in Burnie. The end result is that a new member has passed the foundation licence Rachel Rawlings has passed the foundation licence and applied for the call VK7FRMR.

Please make Rachel welcome when you hear her on air in the near future.

Any person wishing to acquire a foundation or other licence, or upgrade, can contact the club's learning organiser, Keith Winkler, VK7KW. He will be able to assist with your learning requirements and organise an exam at a mutually agreeable time. Contact details for Keith are available on both the CCARC's

website and the www.wia.org.au site, radio club page, North West Tasmania.

(vk7news)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Central Philippines earthquake.

The amateur radio emergency communication activity has been well established on VHF and HF servicing Mondays earthquake and landslide hit areas.

The 6.9-magnitude quake killed 50 when it struck the heavily populated islands of Negros and Cebu, in the country's central region. Up to 100 are missing. There have been 900 aftershocks.

Chief Operating Officer for IARU society PARA, Eddie Valdez DU1EV said that Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HEROs) has activated on 2-metres and 7.095 MHz

Their command centre is on board the Philippine Coast Guard search & rescue vessel BRP Davao del Norte.

HEROs have been busy forwarding traffic from the disaster areas to Cebu and Manila.

Among the active HEROs are RJ DU7RJA, Roy DU7DDJ, DW7XKS and DW7RDX.

As landlines and mobile phones have been erratic, amateur radio has provided a vital link.

Alvin DU1AJ/7 has set up his station to relay with the HEROs in the stricken areas.

In Manila, HEROs operatives Butch DU1RP and Lito DU1PA have set up at the National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council under the Department of Defence.

The Philippines suffered its worst earthquake in 1990 when a 7.7-magnitude tremor killed nearly 2000 people on the northern island of Luzon.

(Jim Linton VK3PC Chairman, IARU Region 3, Disaster Communication Committee).

ARRL VOLUNTEER TOUR GUIDES.

When you visit ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut, the first smiling face you're likely to see is a tour guide. ARRL's Tour Guide program now includes 19 volunteers who donate thousands of hours of their free time per year, giving tours to hundreds of visitors.

ARRL's tour guides are an integral part of the ARRL. When not giving tours, they are busy accomplishing tasks in various HQ departments -- sorting QSL cards, working on special projects in the lab, updating the periodicals archive, and much, much more.

www.arrl.org/news/volunteer-tour-guides-make-your-visit-to-arrl-hq-pleasant-and-informativ
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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

VLA TO BE RENAMED KARL G JANSKY VLA

The world's most famous radio telescope will become the Karl G. Jansky
Very Large Array on March 31st. This, to honour the founder of radio
astronomy which is the study of the universe using radio signals naturally
emitted by objects in space.

The National Radio Astronomy Observatory
announced the new name for the National Science
Foundation's Very Large Array at the American
Astronomical Society's meeting in Austin,
Texas. The new name will become official at a
rededication ceremony at the radio telescopes site in New Mexico.

The new name was selected from among 23,331
suggestions submitted by 17,023 people from more
than 65 countries. The National Radio Astronomy
Observatory had asked the public and the
astronomical community to suggest names that
reflected both the proud heritage and the future
promise of the telescope array.

More is on-line at tinyurl.com/jansky-vla.

INTRUDER WATCH: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TAKES WHITE NOISE OFF 40 METERS

Interference from All India Radio to the 40 meter band has been eliminated.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, has the details:

Wolfgang Hadel, DK2OM, in Siegbach, Germany,
reports via the I-A-R-U Region 1 website that
back last December 1st he and Peter Jost HB9CET
of Zurich, Switzerland, noticed a band of white
noise like interference on 40 meters. This from
6 dot 960 to 7 dot 040MHz and also on 7 dot 820
MHz and showing up every evening.

Calculation by DK2OM showed the centre of the
spurious emissions was expected to be on the
centre 7 dot 410 MHz. From this point the German
and Swiss Departments of Post and Telecommunications became involved.

Both offices filed official complaints to their
counterpart in India. VU2GMN assisted by filing
a personal complaint. On January 13th the
transmitter located near the city of New Delhi
was reported as having been repaired, and all
traces of this source of interference to 40 meters was gone.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

More on this story is on-line at www.iaru-1.org

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD TO SUPPORT CQ OPERATING AWARDS

CQ Communications and ARRL have signed an agreement to begin providing support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World electronic confirmation system. CQ's awards will be the first non-ARRL awards supported by Logbook of the World and will be phased in, beginning with the CQ WPX award. Additional CQ awards will follow.

The target date for beginning Logbook of the World support for WPX is April 1st. Amateurs will be able to use Logbook of the World logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard Logbook of the World credit fees and CQ award fees will apply.

The ARRL's Logbook of the World system is an interactive database recording contacts between radio amateurs was created in 2003 and has been adopted by 47,500 radio amateurs worldwide. It already has records of 400 million contacts and grows weekly.

A GLOOMY FUTURE FOR DXPEDITIONS TO JAN MAYEN ISLAND

Jan Mayen Island could soon head to the top of the DX worlds most wanted this. This as the result of a recent decision by the Norwegian government that declared most of Jan Mayen a Nature Reserve and banned landings and camping on most of the island. This means that tour operators can no longer visit since the main landing area is part of the Reserve.

The only places left on the island which could be used as landing and camp sites are in the very extreme southern part of Jan Mayen which suffers from extreme weather conditions. Amateur radio operations may still be possible from the two locations but both are difficult to get to due to stormy seas and other severe weather conditions. As such it now appears that the recent JX5O operation was probably the last major DXpedition to Jan Mayen for many years to come.

There is the chance that hams who might be assigned as staff members at the islands Olonkin base will be able to activate Jan Mayen. Late word is that LA9JKA, is to be there beginning

March 22nd and is expected to stay until March
2013 but what plans he has to operate from the
island at this point are unknown.

YAESU HINTING IT WILL BRING OUT C4FM DITIAL VOICE GEAR FOR AMATEUR RADIO

Yaesu is hinting that they will be coming out with new digital amateur
radios in 2012.

A new pamphlet discussing amateur digital radios
shows the new Vertex Standard APCO P-25
commercial radios, as well as new amateur radios
based on the C4FM FDMA digital audio system commonly known as MotoTrobo.

The pamphlet makes it appear that Yaesu will be
offering amateur gear based on the MotoTrobo
digital standard sometime this. The new vertex
radios look identical to their Motorola counterparts.

Our guess is that any launch of such a project would likely take place at the
Dayton Hamvention mid-May.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

Irish Radio Transmitters Society 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary this year 2012.

Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day,
Saturday 17th March 2012 have been announced and full rules and information
are available on the irts website.

www.irts.ie/cqir

SARL Leap Year Challenge

You are invited to take part in the Leap Year Challenge on Wednesday
29 February 2012 and make as many contacts as you can on this day.

This challenge has been published around the globe but we are not sure if
it is opens to hams worldwide or just South Africa, however it is a
"challenge" and looks great fun!

Central African Time (CAT) on the 29th, all bands with phone, CW and digital
activity.

Work a station once only regardless of band, mode or call sign.

Submit your log by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za by midnight
Friday 2 March 2012.

AWARDS

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

2012 is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and mindful that the Queen is the head of the Commonwealth of Nations we are pleased to announce a new operating award for 2012.

To qualify for an attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas.

Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required.

Score sheets and full details can be downloaded from
www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

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BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

NHK to sell analogue transmitter facilities

Japans NHK is in talks to sell some 1,050 analogue broadcasting stations it no longer uses to Softbank Mobile Corp.

The mobile phone service provider will use the stations - rendered obsolete by the nationwide switch to digital broadcasting last July - mostly as cell towers in mountainous areas because of complaints about reception in rural areas, the sources said on Thursday.

By improving its network, the carrier hopes to gain an advantage in the competition for radio bands for next-generation, high-speed data communications that might be allocated by the Internal Affairs and Communications Ministry later this month, they added.

The public broadcaster put the facilities up for bid in December and found Softbank Mobile was the only bidder, the sources said. The deal is estimated to be worth several hundred million yen.

(Source: Media Network, Kyodo via SouthGate)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

The IARU Region 3 Newsletter Headlines
Issue 24 - October to December 2011, Released January 2012

* A Word from the Chairman of IARU Region 3 - Michael Owen VK3KI
* Saving almost 1,000 lives in Thailand
* Typhoon hits Southern Philippines
* JARL elects new officers
* Seanet 2011
* Increase in New Zealand Amateur Power Limit
* Australian regulator to permit higher power for Advanced licensees on trial basis
* "WRC-12 (World Radiocommunication Conference 2012)
* 15th Region 3 Triennial Conference
* The 2012 International YL Meet- a reminder
* Keith Malcolm VK1KM SK

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http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-12-01.doc

Acrobat PDF version is also available at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/news/r3nl-12-01.pdf

(nzart)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

FISTS marks a milestone

The organisation that supports the use, preservation and education of Morse code is called FISTS and as VK3PC tells it "it has been doing its sterling job for 25 years."

Available to members are anniversary mugs from England and T-shirts have been produced in the United States of America. Other collectables are likely to be planned.

The mugs are from Robert Walker m0bpt@yahoo.co.uk of UK FISTS while the T-shirts limited-edition t-shirts in shades of grey with the 25th birthday logo screened are from Nancy Kott WZ8C nancy.tir.com of US FISTS.

FISTS the CW Club, also known as the International Morse Preservation Society, began in 1987, is organised though area chapters and still going very strong.

Its members can he heard particularly on 1.808 MHz, 3.528 MHz, 7.028 MHz, 10.118 MHz, 14.058 MHz, 18.085 MHz, 21.058 MHz, 24.918 MHz and 28.058 MHz.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

SUMBANDILASAT AMATEUR RADIO OPERATION MAY RESUME!

Ingenuity and innovation by the SumbandilaSat ground control team has resulted in bringing the satellite back to life with a real possibility that Amateur Radio communication may resume while the satellite is in sunlight.

The ground stations at SANSA Space operations at Hartbeeshoek and the Electronic Systems Laboratory at Stellenbosch University are receiving telemetry when the satellite's solar panels are illuminated by the sun.

Johann Lochner, ZR1CBC, said that in early June 2011, for an unknown reason (but probably related to a major radiation event on 7 June), the primary controller on the power distribution unit (PDU) powering the On-Board Computer (OBC) stopped responding to commands from the ground station.

It later appeared that the battery had failed and nothing was heard from the satellite for some time. The ground segment software to monitor the passes over South Africa and to contact the satellite to initiate the recovery procedure was automated. After a month contact was made again. This was mid November. "We set in place a planned recovery procedure and within 3-4 days we came to the conclusion that the main battery had failed", Johann said. With SumbandilaSat responding when it is in full sunlight Johan Lochner is confident that some operations will be restored even to the point where it may be possible to do some imaging and have the amateur radio transponder back in operation.

More on recovery efforts are on line at www.amsatsa.org.za

(sarl news)

A CONFLICTING REORT SAYS THAT SUMBANDILLASAT FAILS ON-ORBIT

South Africa's Defence Web reports that the
nations second satellite, SumbandilaSat also
known as SO-67 is no longer fully operational.

Rob Olivier is the head of Business Development
at SunSpace. He told Defence Web that although
contact can still be made with the satellite, it
cannot capture images. As such it is no longer fulfilling its main purpose.

Oliver added that chances of repairing the
satellite on-orbit are virtually none. As such
SunSpace has moved on to other projects.

SumbandilaSat was damaged during a solar storm in the June of 2011.
The power supply to its on-board computer stopped
working and the satellite stopped sending back images.

In addition to its primary mission SumbandilaSat
also carried an radio payload as well. This
consisted of a voice beacon, a store and forward
parrot repeater and VHF to UHF FM repeater.

Vega student satellite launch.

Vega is now scheduled to launch Tomorrow, Monday, February 13, at 1000 UT
with eight student built amateur radio satellites.

The launcher will first deploy the main payload, LARES, the Laser relativity
Spacecraft and will then make an additional firing of the final AVUM stage
before deploying the secondary cubesat payloads.

Student Amateur Radio Satellites on Vega
http://www.uk.amsat.org/4180

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

World Radio Conference Geneva until 17th February

FEB 12 VK3 CentreVictoria Hamfest, Kyneton Racecourse

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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Twitter: http://twitter.com/VK2MA

(Julian Sortland, VK2YJS)

Hi, This is Ed VK2ARE from the Central Coast Amateur Radio Club to remind you it is just two weeks until Amateur Radio's big day out at Wyong on Sunday the 26th. of February.

All preparations are going well and it promises to be another great event with traders, exhibitors, seminars and the "great unknown" of the bargain you will find in the flea market.

This year we have a purpose built car parking area with its entrance off Rose Street which will be clearly signposted upon your arrival.

If this is your first time heading to the big event we also have talk-in using the clubs 2 Metre repeater VK2RAG on 146.725 under the call sign of VK2WFD, that's VK2 Wyong Field Day.

No one can predict the weather at the moment. We are hoping for a sunny day but rain or shine the event will go ahead.

So here's looking forward to a memorable day - see you there!

73 from Ed and the CCARC.

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only

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127. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1800 - February 10 2012

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Date: 2012-02-10 10:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120210100003.F36E933C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3744
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1800 - February 10 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1800 with a release date of February 10th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio activates after a killer earthquake hits the Philippines; some good news out of WRC 12; new rules about United States ham radio operation on 60 meters take effect on March 5th and CQ Magazine's Editor says that ham radio use of the Morse Code is still alive and well in an era of no-code licensing. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) anniversary report number 1800 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS TO PHILIPPINE QUAKE

Rescuers assisted by armed forces are hard at work searching for survivors in the quake hit central Philippines. The 6.8 temblor shook the country on Monday, February 6th. At least 56 are confirmed dead and thousands are homeless. And soon after the shaking ended ham radio operators were asked to provide what appears to be a first response effort. We have more in this report:

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Most of the information to date comes from Jim Linton, VK3PC, who is the Chairman of the IARU Region 3 Disaster Communication Committee. Jim reports that the after effects continue across the central Philippines after the magnitude 6.8 earthquake struck triggering numerous landslides and other devastation.

Linton notes that Eddie Valdez, DU1EV, is the Chief Operating Officer for IARU society PARA. Valdez says that ham radio operators are now active in communications assistance, especially those near the quakes epicenter in the DU7 and DU6 call areas. They have chosen to mainly use the VHF and UHF bands for in-country communications. With phone communications cut, the services they are providing include message handling, reporting on widespread power outages as well as other infrastructure damage.

Meantime Radio Amateurs of Canada reports getting a message from a shortwave listener in Taiwan. He notes that 7 point 095 MHz on 40 meter Lower Sideband is also in use for emergency communications into

and out of the Philippines.

This latest disaster come on the heels of a series of typhoons that swept the Southern Philippines last December. Those storms brought with them a heavy loss of lives and severe property damage. In that scenario, radio amateurs were called on to become that nations communications front line.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles. Jim.

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As we go to air aftershocks are continuing and the Philippine ham radio community remains on the job as an important first line of search, rescue and quake relief communications. (VK3PC, DU1EV, RAC)

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RADIO LAW: A HAM RADIO ALLOCATION AT 500 KHZ COMES A STEP CLOSER

A ham radio allocation neat 500 KHz has taken another step closer to becoming a reality. According to several reports out of WRC 12 being held in Geneva, Switzerland, Working Group 4 has approved an agenda item that calls for a worldwide secondary allocation to the Amateur Service from 472 to 479 kHz and has sent it on to the full assembly called the Plenary for its consideration.

There are some restrictions which come with this action. Power output is limited to an effective one watt but would permit nations that are more than 800 Kilometers from an Aeronautical Service non-directional beacon to permit hams up to five watts effective radiated. Either way, ham radio operators must not interfere with any other spectrum user holding a primary status in that band.

Hat said, this is far from a done deal. Next up is two separate presentations or readings of this proposal before the Plenary session of all nations taking part in the world wide communications law making process. There, footnotes to the proposal can be added by any administration that has a representative at the conference.

While there is still a lot of work to take place before WRC 12 ends, at least near 500 KHz, there appears to be some light at the end of the proverbial tunnel in the matter of a new super low frequency ham radio band. We should know for certain by this time next week. (Various WRC 2012 Reports)

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RADIO LAW: NEW 5 MHZ RULES GO INTO EFFECT ON MARCH 5

In the United States, word that the new rules governing ham radio operations in the 5 MHz or 60 meter spectrum take effect on March 5th. This after a notice to that affect appeared in the February 3rd edition

of the United States Federal Register.

As previously reported, last November the FCC released a Report and Order detailing new rules for the 5 MHz Amateur Radio band.

The announcement brought with it a number of changes for 60 meter operators. This included substituting a channel at 5 point 358 point 5 MHz for 5 point 368 MHz previously authorized. The effective radiated limit in the 60 meter band will be raised by 3 dB to 100 Watts Peak Envelope Power relative to a half-wave dipole. Also, three additional emission types are authorized. These are Data, RTTY and CW.

Currently, amateur radio in the United States holds a secondary allocation for 5 MHz and ham radio operations must not cause any interference to the primary users of that band. These include fixed service, as well as mobile stations authorized by the telecommunications regulators of other sovereign nations. Access in the United States to the channelized 60 meter spectrum is limited to holders of General class or high FCC license grants. You can read the entire Federal Register item explaining the 5 MHz changes at tinyurl.com/6wzsfjm (FCC)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SUMBANDILASAT MAY LIVE AGAIN

>From South Africa comes word that the SumbandilaSat amateur radio payload may resume operation in the near future. This according to the South African Radio League which says that a combination of ingenuity and innovation by the satellite payloads ground control team has resulted in bringing the ham radio functions back to life. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the latest:

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A statement issued by South Africa AMSAT and released by the South African Radio League says that there is a real possibility that communication through SumbandilaSat may resume next month while the satellite is in sunlight. Here's the back story:

According to Johann Lochner, ZR1CBC, last June the primary controller on the power distribution unit for the On-Board Computer stopped responding to commands from the ground. While the exact cause has never been determined it appears likely that this failure was related to a major solar radiation event on June 7th.

It later appeared that the battery had also failed and nothing was heard from the satellite for some time. In the meantime the ground station operation to monitor for SumbandilaSat on passes over South Africa and to begin any recovery procedure was automated.

After a month of trying contact was made with SumbandilaSat. That was last November and the control team set in place a planned recovery procedure. It took about 4 days to discover that the main battery had

indeed failed with SumbandilaSat responding only when it's solar panels were in full sunlight.

The ground stations at the South Africa National Space Agency's operations center at and the Electronic Systems Laboratory at Stellenbosch University are now receiving telemetry when the satellite's solar panels are illuminated by the sun. As a result, Lochner is confident that some operations will be restored even to the point where it may be possible to have the amateur radio transponder back in operation within a reasonable time frame.

The bottom line is that while the overall space-frame has been written off by South Africa's SunSpace, the SumbandilaSat ham radio payload may be usable whenever the bird is illuminated by the Sun. In the world of ham radio space operations having that kind of service is far better than having nothing at all.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdle, Arizona.

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More on SumbandilaSat recovery efforts are on line at www.amsatsa.org.za. (SARL)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including radio station CHNW on 88.7 FM serving the city of Westminister, near Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

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RADIO LAW: PROPOSED MOBILE CELLPHONE LAW COULD END HAM RADIO MOBILE OPERATIONS IN ILLINOIS

Proposed laws introduced into both houses of the Illinois legislature could severely impact on mobile operation by hams, C-B operators and even long-haul truckers passing through that state. Matthew Chambers, NR0QQ, has the details:

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New legislation has been introduced into the Illinois House that will have a significant impact on the mobile use of amateur radio transceivers within the state.

House Bill 3970 introduced by Democrat Representative Karen May would ban use of all electronic communication devices with the limited exceptions of those in a hands-free or voice-activated mode and for

law-enforcement and operators of emergency vehicles or parked vehicles.

Not included in that bill is any exceptions for two way radios or amateur radios. That would in effect ban all amateur and CB / GMRS / FRS activity in vehicles in Illinois.

Also introduced into the Illinois House is House Bill 3972 by Democrat Representative John D'Amico that is identical to HB 3970.

As the legislative sessions are getting into full swing across the nation, here at the Amateur Radio Newsline we will be watching closely as more cell phone bills are being introduced that may effect the mobile use of amateur transceivers.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Matthew Chambers NR0Q.

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As we go to air, efforts are being made from within the amateur radio community to obtain exclusion for mobile ham radio operations, but the wording of the two measures may make that very hard to accomplish. (NR0Q)

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ENFORCEMENT: COLLEGE STATION GIVES UP LICENSE FOR NET ONLY OPERATION

Yet another college radio station has gone QRT. Amateur Radio Newsline's Stephen Kinford, N8WB, reports:

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Paul Smiths College in Adirondack Park, New York, has relinquished its Class D FM broadcast license for its campus radio station WPSA FM. The school had been facing problems keeping it on the air that came from a series of FCC Monetary Forfeiture Orders over the late renewal of the station license in 2006 as well as lack of interest from the student body in the stations operation.

WPSA reportedly operated at around 10 watts with a service radius of two miles that covered little more than the campus. Its problems began when its license was cancelled by the FCC and the call sign deleted. Two years later, the college filed a Petition for Reconsideration and had it reinstated. Following the late renewal in 2006, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $7,000 fine for unauthorized operation of a radio station after the license had expired.

Adding to the situation was a seeming loss of interest by its potential audience. According to the schools coordinator for student activities, students were part of the decision to give up the broadcast license. She said that no one wanted to participate in it and that it had very few listeners.

The spokesperson added that it appears the trend these days is that the students are on-line rather than listening on the airways.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Stephen Kinford, N8WB, reporting.

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WPSA will live on but without a transmitter or antenna. Current plans are to bring it back to life, but as a strictly online entity. (RW)

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COMMUNICATIONS LAW: FCC CHAIRMAN EMBRACES DIGITAL TEXTBOOKS

FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski has joined Secretary of Education Arne Duncan to discuss the state of digital learning in American schools.

At the first-ever Digital Learning Day Town Hall held recently in Washington, D.C., the Digital Textbook Collaborative presented them with the "Digital Textbook Playbook." This is a plan to help Kindergarten through 12th grade schools transition to digital textbooks. The Collaborative also helped the FCC and the Department of Education update the School 2.0 bandwidth planner to help schools plan for their connectivity needs.

At the meeting, Chairman Genachowski challenged state leaders and the digital textbook industry ecosystem to make national adoption of digital textbook a reality. He also announced a meeting for March with CEOs of companies in the digital learning space to drive national adoption of digital textbooks in the next five years.

The complete FCC press release that details the agency's plans to help facilitate the conversion to digital textbooks is available on-line at tinyurl.com/fcc-digital-textbooks. (FCC)

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LIGHT SQUARED VS GPS: GOVERNMENT REPORT SAYS THERES NO WAY FOR THE TWO TO CO-EXIST

More problems for LightSquared in its bid to construct a 4 G network in spectrum adjacent to that used by the GPS navigation system. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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A joint panel of representatives from nine federal agencies says that it has determined that there are no practical solutions that would allow LightSquared's proposed broadband service to operate without significantly interfering with the Global Positioning System or GPS that operates in adjacent spectrum.

The report was made in a January 13th letter from the National Executive Committee for Space-Based Positioning, Navigation, and Timing to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. It said that over the past year it has closely worked with LightSquared to

evaluate its original deployment plan, and subsequent modifications, to address interference concerns. It said that substantial federal resources were expended and diverted from other programs in testing and analyzing LightSquared's proposals. The report added that no further tests are warranted, as LightSquared has not demonstrated any means that would prevent such interference from occurring.

As previously reported, numerous tests over the past year have shown that signals from LightSquared's proposed 4G network held the potential to interfere with the weaker signals from space used by global positioning system receivers. As a result, In December 2011, the company offered to limit its signal to lower frequency spectrum farthest away from the bandwidth used by GPS in exchange for immediate access to that spectrum. Then as reported last week LightSquared lashed out at the GPS industry in a Federal Communications Commission filing, claiming poor design of GPS units is solely to blame for the problem.

Not surprisingly, LightSquared immediately issued its own press release calling for the FCC and NTIA to retake the lead on conducting tests of its network, claiming the committee report demonstrated bias and inappropriate collusion with the private sector. LightSquared noted a director for Trimble GPS, whom is called an outspoken LightSquared opponent, served as Director of the Advisory Board. It also claims that government testing has become unfair and shrouded from the public eye.

With the latest on this seemingly never ending story, Im Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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With the committee decision now on the books, a final ruling from the FCC on whether LightSquared will be allowed to go ahead with its plans to turn on its 4 G could come at any time. (Various News Reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W9GKA WANTS JANUARY VHF CONTEST E-SKIP INFO

Some names in the news. First up is Kevin Kaufhold, W9GKA, of Belleville, Illinois. He says over the VHF Reflector that he is looking for log data on the E-skip conditions in this year's January VHF Sweepstakes. W9GKA says that he is writing an article on the e-skip QSO's in the contest, and would like to include as much information as possible. If you can assist, please send the log information on your e-skip contacts to him at kaufhold (at) yahoo (dot) com. (W9GKA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: G0SFJ RELEASES NEW NOVEL INVOLVING MORSE CODE

A new novel featuring Morse code and radio is now available for purchase on the internet. Of Martian Lines was written by Andy Thomas, G0SFJ. It's plot is set on the Mars and in modern Russia and the Ukraine of two generations in the future. The book is described as a blend of cosmology, radio, space technology and Russian literature.

This is the second novel in the "Dmitri" series that explores the first Russian colony on Mars, and the lies and tensions the first Cosmonaut colonists from Earth bring with them. Of Martian Lines is available for sale on-line at www.createspace.com/3739192 (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2012 South Africa Radio League's National Convention will be held in Pinetown from April 20th to the 22 at the Premier Hotel in Pinetown. The event kicks off with a buffet type supper at the Highway Clubhouse on Friday evening featuring a presentation highlighting how South Africa's electronic industry found it's origin in Pinetown and the local development off SSB.

The South Africa Radio League's Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday morning at the hotel venue followed by two presentations covering VHF antennas and Logbook of the World. An awards banquet will also be held at the Premier Hotel. The full program and booking details are available on-line at www.sarl.org.za. (SARL)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAMVENTION 2012 QCWA DINNER MAY 18

The 2012 QCWA Banquet will take place on Friday May 18th at the Dayton Ohio Airport Holiday Inn simultaneously with the Dayton Hamvention. The gathering will begin at 7:30 p.m. Eastern time with nature photography expert John Lemker as the featured after dinner speaker. For more information or to make reservations please contact Jerry Ragland, WA8BOB, at his Callbook or QRZ.com address.

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: WORLDRADIO FOUNDER ARMOND NOBLE, N6WR - SK

The changing of the guard in amateur radio continues with the sad news that Armond Noble, N6WR, founder and publisher of WorldRadio Magazine

for 37 years has become a silent key. According to Les Cobb, W6TEE, Noble died February 1st in Sacramento, California after a short illness.

The print version of WorldRadio was published monthly from July 1971 until the end of 2008, when N6WR sold the magazine to Hicksville, New York-based CQ Communications, Inc.

Armond Noble had a long and distinguished career in communications and the media. From 1953 to 1955 he served in the U.S. Army with a VHF radio relay unit. He went on to positions at commercial radio and TV stations around the United States. These included KTWO-TV and KATI in Casper, Wyoming; KOOK-TV, Billings, Montana; KTVB, Boise, Idaho; KERO-TV, Bakersfield, California, WOOD-TV, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and KCRA Radio in Sacramento.

During the Vietnam War, Noble was a reporter and photographer for TIME magazine and the Milwaukee Journal. He also served in the TIME-LIFE bureau in Sacramento, California.

Armond Noble, N6WR, was reportedly hospitalized about two months ago. As we go to air memorial services have not been announced. (W6TEE, W6FJ, CQ Publishing)

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WORLDBEAT: RSGB WANS HAMS ABOUT UNAUTHORIZED USE OF OLYMPIC LOGOS

The Radio Society of Great Britain is warning that although telecommunications regulator Ofcom has granted permission for that nations radio amateurs to use special prefixes over this summer, this permission does not extend to use of the various logos associated with the London Olympic games on QSL cards or elsewhere.

The RSGB notes that these logos, or Games Marks as they are called in the UK, are strictly controlled by the London Organizing Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games. As such they are not free for individuals and organizations to use without express permission..

There is so far only one exception. Project ECHO which is concerned with the two main special event stations has been granted permission to use the games Inspire logo, but only in a limited way.

More information about the use of the Olympic logos and their use can be found in the at the Frequently Asked Questions on the www.london2012.com website. (RSGB)

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In DX, HA0NAR and HA0SR will be active as FW0NAR from Uvea Island through February 20th. The plans were to have two stations active on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with a focus on the lower

bands. However, this may change since they lost the third operator who was to make the trip. QSL FW0NAR via HA0NAR.

SP5APW is expected to visit Phu Quoc Island between March 7th and the 12th. He has applied for the callsign 3W4JK. Operations will likely be holiday style on 40 through 10 meters using SSB, PSK31 and RTTY, with possible operations on 6 meters. QSL as directred on the air.

Lastly, well placed reports indicate that an international group of 10 operators will activate St. Paul Island during the middle part of 2012. More details should be forthcoming in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports.

(Abve from various DX News Sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CQ SAYS MORSE IS ALIVE AND WELL

Finally this we we take a trip back to February of 2007. Thsats when the Federal Communications Commission took action to eliminate Morse Code testing as a requisite requirement to obtain any class of Amateur Service license in the United States. Now, five years later, CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, has published a very pointed editorial where-in he notes that both ham radio and use of the Morse code are alive, well and growing. This despite the ney-sayers who predicted the abandoning of Morse testing would bring a sudden end to the hobby.

In his editorial titled "No-Code Plus Five Years: An Assessment", W2VU, states that ham radio is still here. CW is still here and despite the fears of many CW supporters the universe did not implode on February 23, 2007.

Rather his article was prepared based on research that checked on signs of the state use of Morse by today's ham radio community. It did this by asking manufacturer of keys and paddles about sales, talking to the FISTS Morse preservation group, looking at CW contest results and overall United States licensing statistics. And says W2VU, the article has already brought some interesting response:

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W2VU: "We've gotten a lot of good feedback from readers on this already and any ofb them are agreeing with the comment that we had at the end that the only real hiccup that we see and that was pointed out by Nancy Kott, WZ8C, is a difference in the conversion of CW learners to comfortable CW operators. That a lot of the newer hams that are learning the code do not yet feel comfortable on the air with it."

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Moseson adds that ham radio has a long tradition of lending a helping hand to newcomers in need of assistance:

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W2VU: "The best way to deal with this of coarse is the way that hams have dealt with learning experiences for decades which is to hook up experienced people with newcomers and helping them one-on-one, either on the air or off to be more comfortable as code operators and they will find a lot more enjoyment in it."

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Without giving away all the findings in the article, W2VU does note that Morse has a bright future in amateur radio, despite or perhaps because of the elimination of the code test requirement. You can judge for yourself by reading Rich Moserson's complete article. You will find it on-line in Adobe PDF format at tinyurl.com/6rreyxy (ARNewsline(tm), VK3PC)

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A VER SPECIAL NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

Before we go, I just want to say a word of thank you to all of you who listen in each week to these Amateur Radio Newsline bulletins. As we end this 1800th consecutive week of bringing these newscasts to you, we want to pause for a moment and look back to 1977 when Jim Hendershot, WA6VQP, and Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, produced and issued the first Westlink Radio Network bulletin. It was devoted entirely to repeater deregulation and only heard by those in the Los Angeles area with a transceiver set to 223.5 MHz simplex. Likely no more than two dozen people or so. Now just a few months shy of 35 years later, Amateur Radio Newsline, which is the successor name to Westlink Radio, is heard on thousands of repeaters world wide and by tens of thousands over the Internet. And as it was back in 1977, so it remains a free listener supported service to the ham radio by your fellow radio amateurs.

Yes, there are many people to thank, but we will limit it to three who were part of the original 1970's core group and who sadly have become Silent Keys. So as we end Newscast 1800 we lift up our imaginary glass to toast the lasting memory of our original Production Coordinator Bill Orenstein KH6QX. We also salute the master wordsmith and anchor Alan Kaul, W6RCL. Last but by no means lest, we remember our guiding light of many years and the man who made it possible for Astronauts to take ham radio into space. Of coarse we are referring to one of the world's greatest news reporters, producers and anchors, the late Roy Neal, K6DUE, of NBC Network News. All three may no longer be with us in the

flesh, but they will never be forgotten here in the Amateur Radio Newsline studios. What they helped to pioneer in the 1970's 1980's and 1990's is the reason you are hearing this 1800th newscast right now.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, and for all of the Amateur Radio Newsline volunteers the world over, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening all of these years. You are an important part of the Amateur Radio Newsline family and we would not be here if not for you.

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Aimed for China: Ham operators to launch balloon Saturday

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A group of amateur radio operators aim to establish a world record for
distance by flying an unmanned, helium-filled balloon from Katy, Texas,
across the Atlantic and the Mediterranean then on to Nanjing, China

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Arizona Centennial Special Event

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The Central Arizona DX Association (CADXA) is very pleased to announce
their special event operation in celebration of the Arizona Centennial
during the week of February 13-19th, 2012

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New HF shortwave radio station sign

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IOTA activation from the Isle of Muck

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A team from Kilmarnock and Loudoun Amateur Radio Club will be on a
DXpedition to the Isle of Muck (EU008) from the 24th till 28th April 2012

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Amateur Radio Intermediate Course, Omagh - places still available

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is running a course for the Intermediate
Exam which will take place on Tuesday 3rd April 2012

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
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GI HF Conference and DiGIcon

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Following the success of last year’s GI HF Conference and DiGIcon, West
Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is planning another Conference to be held on
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Icom-UK have just posted this new promotional video featuring the Icom
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The National Radio Company of Ukraine (NRCU) plans to continue broadcasting
on mediumwave with the help of DRM transmitters

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Still gracing the airwaves at age 101

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Adelaide Now reports on Darcy Hancock VK5RJ who has been a licensed radio amateur for 84 years

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

129. Short wave broadcasting amateur radio event

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WHAT YOU LOVE ABOUT AMATEUR RADIO,
YOUR FAVORITE MODES,
YOUR LOCAL AMATEUR RADIO CLUB AND ITS ACTIVITIES,
YOUR PERSONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN AMATEUR RADIO

It is not very often that you can hear a new HF shortwave radio station
sign on the air. WTWW a new International Shortwave Radio facility just
outside of Nashville, TN is launching a new transmitter this Saturday
with a broadcast we are calling “This Is Only A Test” starting at 4
pm Central Standard Time. This is a 100,000 watt (wow!) transmitter
running into a full size rhombic antenna! They need to test it -and
while they are at it Ted Randall has set things up for hams to talk
about Amateur Radio.

This is a global radio event with radios being tuned in all over the
world.

The QSO radio show has requested hams to call in as a amateur radio
event to promote amateur radio along with shortwave listening. Why?
Well, the shortwave listening audience is huge and the typical
shortwave radio listener is a great potential candidate for amateur
radio. There are more than 1.5 billion shortwave receivers in use
worldwide, the BBC estimates that at any given moment, over 200 million
sets are tuned to shortwave broadcasts.

This is the second time WTWW has allowed us to conduct this kind of
broadcast on a powerful new shortwave facility. The purpose of this
broadcast is to demonstrate HF communications … and to put radio
amateurs on the air to a worldwide audience to tell their story.

By the way… this particular broadcast is not a commercial venture in any way. Maybe later it will be (they hope!) but not yet J So spread the word and call in on Saturday to “This Is Only A Test” and talk to the world about Amateur Radio!

Allen w1agp

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
k0aiz@arrl.org

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130. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-11 11:17:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e897c8f7fd204b8ae645c@google.com>
Source record: 3747
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT Fox-1 cubesat selected for NASA ELaNa launch collaboration

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xrYunOOd63c/amsat_fox_1_cubesat_selected_for_nasa_elana_%20launch_collaboration.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Project ELaNa, NASA's 'Educational Launch of NanoSat' managed by the
Launch Services Program at the Kennedy Space Center, announced on February
10 that the AMSAT Fox-1 cubesat has been selected to join the program

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The first two weeks of WRC-12

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OS1rtnl7qBY/wrc12_the_first_two_weeks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

After two weeks of intense discussions, the 3,000 plus delegates at the
World Radio Conference 2012 are slowly but surely coming to consensus on
many of the agenda items

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Field day BBQ cookbook published

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bHyXJ4-snpE/field_day_bbq_cookbook_published.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve M0MVB has combined his love of doing field days and food by writing a
BBQ cook book aimed at the ham radio operator

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ARRL to offer virtual tour of HQ station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f0sDbXM6oZc/arrl_virtual_tour.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On 12 February, radio amateurs worldwide will be able to enjoy a virtual
tour of the station at ARRL HQ in a live webcast starting at 2200UTC

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13cm threat in Sweden

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bwl_0No8WdY/13cm_threat_in_sweden.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2300-2450 MHz band in Sweden is under threat. As part of the
consultation process the Swedish national society, SSA, has submitted it's
response to the regulator, the PTS

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GB80PW special event on-air today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hCSaXhi_C9o/gb80pw_operation_moves_to_saturday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This special callsign GB80PW, issued to Practical Wireless magazine to
celebrate the publication's 80th year in print, had its first airing in
January this year

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PWK0lIOXEAE/iaru_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The January issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports
on Central African and Indonesian pirates in the 10 MHz band

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AykGZ1XV9nM/february_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity was down again this week. In fact this is the third
consecutive week in which sunspot numbers were lower than the prior week

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Provisional results of the 2011 IOTA contest published

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gCM1b5ZX3d8/provisional_results_of_the_2011_iota_%20contest_published.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Provisional results of the 2011 Islands On The Air contest have now been
published

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G2XQ - A Tale Retold

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/d-dYYHsREfQ/g2xq_a_tale_retold.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Frank Marshall G2XQ talks about the early days of wireless and a collection of old cine film that he found under his workbench

131. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-11 23:22:04 UTC
From: "Dave S." <somewhere@overtherainbow.com>
Message-ID: <jh6t73gnl1@speranza.aioe.org>
Source record: 3748
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

"Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed" <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> wrote in
message news:90e6ba6e897c8f7fd204b8ae645c@google.com...

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_saturday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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what's his address so we can all pop round?

:-)

132. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-11 23:49:48 UTC
From: DieSea <DieSea@nnttwlwoorrlldd.ccoommm>
Message-ID: <4f36fe8c$0$2501$da0feed9@news.zen.co.uk>
Source record: 3749
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

"Dave S." <somewhere@overtherainbow.com> wrote in message
news:jh6t73gnl1@speranza.aioe.org...
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| :-)
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I'm Sure DHJ could supply that

After all he's a nodding acquaintance of Rob

He may even like to pop in and have a bevy on his frequent forays South of the
border

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TeeHee

DieSea

133. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 02:22:04 UTC
From: Len GM0ONX <gm0onx@gooooglemail.com>
Message-ID: <jh77oaviv1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3750
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

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> "Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed" <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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134. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 12 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 11:12:45 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340e5f039bd204b8c27079@google.com>
Source record: 3651
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Take a virtual tour of W1AW today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P0xG6EGl3Fk/take_a_virtual_tour_of_w1aw_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Join W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, on a virtual tour of W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, the Amateur Radio station at ARRL Headquarters in Newington, Connecticut

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Amateur Radio balloon starts record breaking flight

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XZFzQ2MEQ_A/amateur_radio_balloon_starts_record_breaking_flight.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An APRS amateur radio balloon KT5TK-11 has started out on its journey to break the long distance record. Check its present position

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Student satellites to launch Monday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cZ6p0u_YSL0/student_satellites_to_launch_monday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The launch of eight student amateur radio satellites on a Vega rocket between 10:00 and 12:00 UT on Monday, February 13 will be broadcast live on the web

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Essex Advanced Exam opportunity May 31

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dVbVxiywTLc/essex_advanced_exam_opportunity_may_31.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) have brought forward the start of their Intermediate course by a week so both Intermediate and Advanced exams can be held on the same evening

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D-STAR for Thinking Day On The Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wWxOYhUpRk8/dstar_for_tdota.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

World Thinking Day On The Air (TDOTA) takes place on February 18-19 and
GB2GTD will be active on D-STAR

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact with Kochi Gakuen Kochi Junior High
School, Kochi, Japan

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zc66nvg8cNk/ariss_event_1302.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at Kochi Gakuen Kochi Junior High
School, Kochi, Japan on 13 Feb

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Bahrain 70 MHz beacon A92C/B

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eFtBWjmvwis/bahrain_70mhz_beacon_a92c.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At 09:00 UT on February 11, 2012, a 4m propagation beacon with the callsign
A92C/B became operational on 70.085 MHz

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Bits of Wire that Work

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WnOHbtmKvj0/bits_of_wire_that_work.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ron G7ZRT will be presenting a talking session to the Friskney and East
Lincolnshire Communications Club concerning 'Bits of Wire that Work' on
Tuesday 6th March 2012

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St. Albans Amateur Radio Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bC-NnV4Ml6A/st_albans_amateur_radio_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Verulam Amateur Radio Club is running a course leading to an Amateur
Radio Foundation Licence. This licence enables holders to transmit on the
amateur radio bands, potentially world-wide

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AMSAT Fox Project Flyer

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ITCPhJnakTE/amsat_fox_project_flyer.htm

?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK has put together a nice 4-page pdf description of
the Fox project

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DSuT42M_hQ4/february_12.htm?utm_source=
feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels.
Fortunately a new sunspot is rapidly growing in the south-eastern quadrant
of the sun

135. hai dear this is special gift for uuuuuuuuuuuuu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 12:10:10 UTC
From: anu bala <kbala.samy@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <3ad58e1f-23c0-44f0-8282-8719ddd26c14@tj4g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3652

http://123maza.com/46/ship587/

136. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 13:23:04 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <13PZq.57694$dZ7.8877@newsfe08.ams2>
Source record: 3653
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On 11/02/2012 23:22, Dave S. wrote:

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> believe that under the terms of an SES the event must be open to the
> public, so what's his address so we can all pop round?

Ask Jimbo :-)

137. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 14:33:47 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ in the shack .." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jh8ikertn1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3654
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

"Len GM0ONX" <gm0onx@gooooglemail.com> wrote in message
news:jh77oaviv1@dont-email.me...
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> with amateur radio licence conditions to confuse the previously well
> informed.
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> I'm sure Rob would make you most welcome, he's in the book. I have an
> open invite, I think Jimbo has as well. :-)

yes I would love to go and see him...ask him what in gods name he was
playing at .....

138. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 14:34:35 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ in the shack .." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jh8ilv$s6n$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3655
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

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> Ask Jimbo :-)
>
yes bet he has a funny handshake.......big twat......

139. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 15:14:03 UTC
From: jimbo <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <36cc976f-b903-4118-b62c-ff921ae1c101@do4g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3656
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 11, 11:22 pm, "Dave S." <somewh...@overtherainbow.com> wrote:
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get him to put me down for the 10th march ....

140. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 15:15:02 UTC
From: jimbo <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <64728e51-9f4c-4ac5-96aa-46e151e844bd@w1g2000vbg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3657
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 11, 11:49 pm, "DieSea" <Die...@nnttwlwoorrlldd.ccoommm> wrote:
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> After all he's a nodding acquaintance of Rob
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> He may even like to pop in and have a bevy on his frequent forays South of the
> border
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>
> TeeHee
>
> DieSea

very true very true ......how do you book up? ....

141. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 15:15:23 UTC
From: jimbo <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <ca2a334e-3db8-4f0b-bdc8-cd7b2a3da331@v2g2000vbx.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3658
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 12, 2:22 am, Len GM0ONX <gm0...@gooooglemail.com> wrote:
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> open invite, I think Jimbo has as well. :-)- Hide quoted text -
>
> - Show quoted text -

I have ? .....

142. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 18:03:03 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <e53637ba-2647-47b0-94e5-682ee274481a@i2g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3659

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On Feb 12, 7:10 am, anu bala <kbala.s...@gmail.com> wrote:
> http://123maza.com/46/ship58
spamer
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143. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1049

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 20:52:53 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <673514.60580.qm@smtp113.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3660
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3C0 & 3C6, ANNOBON ISLAND and EQUATORIAL GUINEA (Update to OPDX.1047). Operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM will once again be active from Annobon Island (AF-039) and Bioko Island (AF-010, DXCC - Equatorial Guinea) using the callsigns 3C0E and 3C6A, respectively. The official

dates have been announced this past week. The whole DXpedition will take place between February 22nd and March 11th. Operations will take place from the following islands:
3C6A - Bioko Island; between February 22-26th
3C0E - Annobon Island (Pagalu); between February 28th and March 11th

QSL both callsigns via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernab&#65533; Coll, P.O.Box 3097, 03080 Alicante, Spain. They are looking for sponsors for this very expensive operation. For more details and updates, watch the Web pge at: http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.kf5eyy.com

4W, TIMOR-LESTE (Update/QRT). Vlad, UA4WHX, is now QRT as 4W0VB. According to QRZ.com, Vlad states [edited]: "Now, 4W0VB went off the air. US5ETV and WA4WHX have been around, helping as much as they could. Great thanks to both of them! If you worked 4W0VB - you worked OC-148 (main island of East Timor - between January 11th-February 2nd and February 6-8th). If 4W0VB/p has been logged - you got OC-232 (Atouro Island - February 3-5th) for yourself. All the valid QSOs have been uploaded to LoTW. If you need a paper QSL, I would suggest you request it rather directly than via the buro. USD cash in an envelope is a very bad idea. IRCs are better than USDs. PayPal is perfect - my choice. Use E-mail payment-at-svezhyveter.ru for Pay Pal. A few QSOs are perhaps not in the log, either pirates or QRM, we will never know now. We could have busted your call, it may have happened. Feel free any time to ask if that may be the case, do not hesitate at all." Vlad's E-mail address is listed on QRZ.com, as well as pictures he took from 4W.

6O, SOMALIA. By the time you read this, Darko, J28AA/E70A, is expected to be active (on Monday, February 13th) from Hargeisa until February 20th. Mixed reports about his callsign indicate that he will probably use 6O3A and not 6O0DX as first announced. Also, reports indicate that he will return to the Minister of Telecom on Monday to give a live demonstration of operating (probably on 15 or 20 meters SSB), whereby his license and callsign will be granted. Using a FT-857D into a multi-band vertical antenna, Darko will be active on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. While there Darko will also try to teach and demostrate amateur radio to the locals in Hargeisa and possibly establish a radio club by donating an IC-735 transceiver with an antenna. QSL via K2PF.

6V, SENEGAL. Vladimir, RK4FF, will be active as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou between now and February 22nd. Activity is on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via RK4FF.

6Y, JAMAICA. Yuri, VE3DX, will be active as 6Y2T during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He will be on Jamaica between February 14-21st. Activity outside of the contest will

be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands and using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via VE3DZ.

9TH AAW ACTIVITY.....
* How in its ninth year, the Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) now boasts over 40 special event stations world-wide. All for the purpose of promoting awareness of the important work done by the scientific community and its associated amateur operators who delve out QSOs when their work schedule permits. The February 2012 QST has a great article on the AAW.

* "Scotty", WK3N, (WAP 192) is now in his third year of contributing. He will be passing out QSOs between February 20-26th. His special AAW QSL and associated links to awards can be see on QRZ.com (under WK3N). His QSL card displays a rare October 1956 photo taken on the first days of the construction of the South Pole Station showing parachutes dropping construction materials. WK3N's special event QSL has even made its way to the South Pole station where it is on display. QSL is via the Bureau or direct with SASE or SAE and one IRC.

* Look for three Italian National Antarctic Museums to be activate during the upcoming 9th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW), from three different cities between February 20-26th. Stations will be operating from inside the museums and will be active on all bands and modes. Look for the following stations to be on the air:
II1MNA (WAP-60) - The National Antarctic Museum of Genova. QSL via I1UP. No E-QSL. The log will be available online at: http://www.arigenova.it/antartic%20activity.htm
Other info available at: http://www.arigenova.it
http://www.mna.it
II3MNA (WAP-205) - The National Antarctic Museum of Trieste. QSL via IQ3TS.
IO5ANT (WAP-210) - The National Antarctic Museum of Siena. QSL via IW5EFX.

More detailed information can be found on QRZ.com under the museum's callsign. Also, info about the AAW event can be found on the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Masa, JI1DSO, will be active as AH0/AE6YW from the Saipan (OC-086) Rental Shack between February 29th and March 6th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters including the satellites. QSL via JA6GMC.

A2, BOTSWANA (DXpedition Update). Operators Frosty/K5LBU (A25CF), Keith/ VE7MID, Don/VE7DS (A25DS) and another operator to be named later will be active from the Lotsane Safari Lodge between March 18-27th. The group plans to be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as A25HQ. They will have about 3 rigs and a log periodic plus wire antenna covering 160 meters and up. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

AU2, INDIA (Special Event). By the time you read this, you may have a day or two (expected QRT is February 13th) to work this unique 'Ham Radio

Expedition' that will be carried out at 'LOTHAL' in the Gujarat state, which is an Indian historic place (one of the most prominent cities of the ancient Indus valley civilization, dating from 2400 BC). Operators will sign AU2LOH. Activity will be on CW, SSB and STV. Their suggested frequencies are 7035, 7070, 7150, 14150, 14220, 21310, 21280 and 28550 kHz. Operators mentioned are: VU2ZNN, VU2EXP, VU2BGH, VU3RID, VU3KDG, VU3HRX, VU2DSI, VU2JGI, VU2CPV, VU3APY, VU3DJT, VU3IKI, VU3UTG, VU3VDC, VU2AGJ, VU3SEG (and his XYL Shikha), VU3BUT, VU2WWX, VU2XX, VU2VMJ, VU3PMU, VU2QBX, VU3TPN and SWL Suhash. QSL via VU3SYB. More details about LOTHAL can be seen at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lothal

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Ulrich/DJ2YA, Falk/DK7YY, Ulf/DL5AXX, Tom/DL5LYM and Frank/DL8WAA will be active as CR3L from Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Operators will be active as CT9/homecall before and after the contest. QSL via their home callsigns. Check out the CR3L station's Web page at: http://www.cr3l.de

CT8, AZORES. Mario, DL2UX (ex-TY1JB), will be active as CT8/DL2UX from Graciosa Island (EU-175, DIP AZ-004, PIP AC-004, WLOTA 0113) between February 14-22nd. He is calling this a "Training Dxpedition" -- training Persistence (biking, running, swimming and pile up; Triathlon and Ham Radio). Activity will be on CW and SSB, and the HF bands testing antennas for 20, 40 and 80m. He will use an IC706 MKIIG or something better. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (Press Release #1 [edited]): "St. Paul Island is called the Graveyard of the Gulf and that is where an international, seasoned team of DXers will be heading to later this year.
Plans are well under way for a 10-man team to activate this now wanted DXCC entity which was last on air in 2005. When you consider most needed entities (perhaps out with the Top 10) are activated every five years or so, it is now time to mount a serious effort from CY9.
Most operators will be unaware that in 2010, St. Paul Island became the highest mover on DX Magazines most wanted list; from #77 to #47. Today, according to that list and ClubLog, CY9 is needed more than entities such as Tokelau (ZK3) or PY0T (Trindade & Martim Vaz).
The team consists of Mike/AB5EB, Oscar/EA1DR, George/EA2TA, Christian/EA3NT, Simon/IZ7ATN, Col/MM0NDX, Bjorn/SM0MDG, Vicky/SV2KBS, Steve/VA3FM and Kevin/VE3EN.
From late July to early August, IOTA Contest included, the group will be active all bands, modes (160-2m) with special attention on 6m and 160m, if propagation allows.
A Web site is currently under construction and will be ready in a few short weeks where much more info can be found. The QSL Manager for the expedition is M0URX."

D4, CAPE VERDE. Rick, N6KT, will be active as D44TRS from Cape Verde between March 17-29th. Details of activity were not provided, but he will be active as D4A during CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). QSL via KU9C.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). John, N5JB, will be active as E51NJB from the Rarotonga Islands (OC-013) starting February 13th and depart on the 25th. John informs OPDX, "The Rarotonga Beach Bungalows resort I will be staying at is on the East side of the Island, so my path to the USA will slightly favor the East coast over the West coast. I will have a mountain between me and Asia. I expect to operate all bands, but I will be there with my wife, and I am operating holiday style. I will be doing some [activity] on the night time bands, but more on the daytime bands. I will probably operate a lot of CW, but I think there may be a need for phone because E51NNV (I think that was the call) did such a good job on CW and probably reduced the CW need by quite a bit. Maybe a good contest style phone operation would have a good rate. I will test both [modes] and see which plays best." Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or N5JB.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. Just a reminder that German operators Peter/DG1FK and Sigi/DK9FN will once again return to Temotu Province for a third time and be active as H40FK (PSK/RTTY) and H40FN (CW), respectively. Activity will again be from Lata Motel on Nendo Island (OC-100) between February 7-20th. Operations will probably be on 160-6 meters depending on the band conditions. QSL H40FN via HA8DD, and H40FK via DG1FK.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-042. Members of the "Invoker Team" will be active as EG3INT/7 from Albor&#65533;n Island (WLOTA 1061, ARLHS SPA-145, DIE S-001, DME 04013, WW GRID IM85LW), an island half-way between Europe and Africa, between February 16-20th. The team plans to have up to 3 simultaneous stations on air, covering most HF bands in order to give a fair chance to all operators world-wide who need this IOTA reference, working mostly on SSB and CW modes. Operators mentioned are Jordi/EA3ATM, Jaume/EA3DW, Christian/ EA3NT, Ramon/EA3OR and Raul/EA5KA. QSL via EA5KA. To read the complete press release, go to QRZ.com (under EG3INT/7).

EU-039. Keith, G3TTC, will be active as F/G3TTC from Chausey Island (DIFM MA-004, DDFM 50, DPF 04, WLOTA 0424) between June 16-22nd. Activity will be holiday style probably on 80/40/20/15 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the RSGB Bureau.

EU-127. Operators Max/DJ4EL, Alex/IZ4AMS, Enrico/IK2FIL, Joerg/DJ1JB, Ben/DO1BEN and Enrique/XE2AA will be active as DD4T from Helgoland Island (GID/DID N-014, WLOTA 0518) between June 3-10th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using all modes. QSL via IZ4AMS, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-137. Lars, SM6CUK, will once again be active as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (WLOTA 0780) between July 25-30th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-213. Operators Allan/KV4T, Steve/KI4GGJ, John/AJ4T, Gaston/W4CCF and Nicholas/KJ4AVG will be active as homecall/p from Dauphin Island (USI AL002S, Mobile County, Alabama), between June 22-25th. KV4T/p will be on 17 meter CW and AJ4T/p on 20 meter SSB. The others operators will activate the other bands, depending on the propagation. QSL via the individual operator's home callsign.

J5, GUINEA-BISSAU. The Verona Section of A.R.I. (Italian Radioamateurs Association) is organizing by the means of a group of its members called "Verona DX Team" a DXpedition [with a humanitarian and amateur radio purposes] to Guinea-Bissau -- one of the poorest countries in the world. Guinea-Bissau is "most wanted", especially on CW, RTTY and the Digital modes, and has never been activated on EME. The EME operations are scheduled to take place between March 24th and April 6th. In addition to the VHF, they will try to be operative on UHF and 6 meters too. The callsign will be J52EME, and the location will be in the Cumura Mission (WW. Locator IK21DT). The suggested frequencies are: 144.130, 432.090 and 50.200 MHz. Simultaneously, they will also be active as J52HF with two stations on the HF bands, 80-6 meters using all modes. The suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3520, 7020, 10105, 14020, 18075, 21020, 24895 and 28020 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7065/7160, 14150, 18150, 21300, 24945 and 28430 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7050, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - Skeds only for both CW and SSB (See Web page for details.)

Operations will be based mainly on RTTY and CW modes, but that doesn't mean that they will not be active on SSB. They will be present in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). Operators mentioned are Lucio/I3LDP (Team Leader, SSB, RTTY, 6m), Silverio/IK3IUL (CW, SSB, RTTY), Livio/IZ3BUR (SSB, RTTY), Walter/I3VJW (CW, SSB, RTTY), Libero/IK3RBE (SSB, RTTY, 6m), Enzo/ IK2VVD (SSB, CW), Milena/IK3VZJ (RTTY, SSB), Tony/IK3ESB (SSB, CW, RTTY, 6m) and Ilario/IZ3STA (SSB, RTTY, 6m). QSL via I3LDP, direct or by the Bureau. See the Web page for more details about QSLing. For more details and updates, visit the J52 DXpedition Web page at:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Mitko/LZ1UQ and Andy/LZ2HM will be active as JW/homecall from Svalbard between February 15-21st. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. They also plan to be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL via their info on QRZ.com.

KH2, GUAM (Update). Operators Takeshi "TAKE"/JS6RRR and Akihiko "AKI"/AB0IH are now active as KH2/JS6RRR and AB0IH/KH2 from Guam Island (OC-026, USI GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064 and Grid Loc. QK23) until 0300z, February 14th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. QSL AB0IH/KH2 via JI3BAP and KH2/JS6RRR via JS6RRR. Please check QRZ.com for details.

KH2, GUAM. Hisashi, JF2SKV, will be active as NH0S/KH2 during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via JF2SKV.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 13-19th)....
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Masashi, JL1FUQ, will be active as W2GJ/KH0 from Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25UF) between April 29th and May 3rd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using all modes. There is a possibility of some 6 meters operations. QSL via his home callsign.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators Lars/DF1LON, Gerd/DF9TS, Norbert/DJ7JC, Wil/PA0BWL and Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LX2A. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

LY16, LITHUANIA. Look for special event station LY16W to be on the air until February 29th. Activity is to celebrate "The Act of Independence of Lithuania". This is the first time ever that the LY16 prefix is being used on the air! Activity will be on all bands, 160-10 meters, using CW, BPSK, SSB and RTTY. QSLs are welcome via the Bureau, eQSL, LoTW and direct via LY5W. This is a good chance to confirm a new prefix for the many WPX awards. Check out the LY5W prefixes trophies corner at:
http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/ly-wpx-trophy
http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/ly-wpx-trophy-honor-roll
http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/baltic-states-wpx-trophy

M5, ENGLAND (Special Contest Station). Look for the special contest station M5E to be active in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) from the historical site of Marconi's original trans-Atlantic tests in Cornwall. Operators from the Wireless Contesters Olof/G0CKV, Kazu/JK3GAD, Oliver/W6NV and Seppo/OH1VR will operate as a Multi-2 entry. Special QSLs will commemorate contacts on multiple bands. QSL to G0CKV. Read more about M5E on QRZ.com.

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via N4AO.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operator Tomi, OH6EI, will once again be active as OH0Z, but this time during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

P3, CYPRUS. Jack, R2AA (ex-RW3QC), will be active as P3N during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via RW3RN.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Martin/W1MD, Charles/K1XX and possibly others will be active as PJ4X during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL PJ4X via LoTW or direct to W1MD. Operators will be active outside of the contest with their own individual callsigns. QSL via their home callsign.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Four stateside operators from Georgia will be going to the K2NG rental QTH on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) for CQWW WPX SSB Contest in March. They will travel down on March 20th and return on March 27th. The team should be active as PJ4/homecall between March 21-27th and in CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th), they will use the contest callsign PJ4Z as a Multi-2/High-Power entry. Operators are John/K4BAI, Fred/WW4LL, Brian/NA4BW and Eric/W4DXX. Their activity will be on CW, RTTY, and SSB, outside the contest using their PJ4/homecalls. They have ordered photo QSLs and all five callsigns should be QSLed via K4BAI. Requests for bureau cards may be sent to <k4bai@att.net>. The PJ4Z logs will be uploaded to LoTW and probably some of the non-contest logs too.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. By the time you read this, Gary, AK4GP, should be active as PJ7/AK4GP from Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 383, DIFO FS-001) until February 17th. Activity will be QRP CW on 40 and 20 meters using an Elecraft KX1. QSL via LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 12th)

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4K6/JR0HYT via JR0HYT HB9/ON4TO via ON4TO PJ4/N4RR via N4RR
8S50BQ via SM7BHM HI0UD via ON4IQ RA/SM6LRR via
SM6LRR
9Y4NW via EB7DX HI3DX via EB7DX S540DKR via S59DKR
AB0IH/KH2 via JI3BAP IQ5RR via IW5EID SN51SDA via SP7PSW
AD7UV/VK3 via JA8DKJ IX1/IW1CAB via IX1/IW1CAB SN51SEW via SP7SEW
CT9/GW0ANA via GW0ANA KG4KL via KN4KL T88ZT via JA3HZT
D2EB via IZ3ETU (direct) KH6/VE7AHA via KH6/VE7AHA TB2ZHI via HA5OJ
DR650BAR via DL9SUE KP2/KZ5D via KZ5D V85/9M8Z via M0URX
EA8/OH6MKL via OH6MKL LX/DL8DXL/P via DL8DXL VK8/OZ1AA via
OZ1ACB
EH3FCM via EA3HP OE1KIDS via OE1XIC W6IB/VK3 via JA8EFI
EM80UKO via UR7UC ON100TT via ON4EKO XV3AA via JA6UHG
FR5FC via EA7FTR PA63PSK via PA2LP YV5RNE via YV5AJ
GX4BJC/A via G6XOU PI6V via PI4EDE ZW78AA via PY2AA

LAST CHANCE TO GET 7Q7HB AND 7Q7RM QSLS. QSL Manager Allan, G0IAS/7Q7AH, announced this past week, on behalf of Elaine the widow of Harry, 7Q7HB, thanks to all who sent their condolence messages to Elaine, she has asked

him to say a 'BIG THANK YOU' to all who did. He also announced that at this time the following: "On the anniversary of Harry's death, 12th DECEMBER 2012, I will CEASE to answer ANY QSL Cards for 7Q7HB. I have ALL the logs of ALL Harry's QSOs from 7Q7, if people NEED a card they have until the 12th DECEMBER to send for one. After that date ALL cards will be ignored and returned. It is VERY stressing and depressing to answer cards for a Guy who has been your best pal for 50 years...I am also seriously thinking of doing the same with 7Q7RM's cards. Ron has now been "SK" for 6 years and I still get cards for him. Neither he nor Harry require QSLs now... so I guess after the 12th December I should stop replying to cards for either station..... If anyone has any questions, my E-mail is good at QRZ.com, I will reply to ANY questions." If you need a 7Q7HB and 7Q7RM QSL, remember to ONLY QSL DIRECT to G0IAS: Allan Hickman, The Conifers, High Street, Elkesley, Retford, DN22 8AJ, England.

HK0NA UPDATE AND OQRS NOW ACTIVE. The HK0NA Online QSL Request System (OQRS) is now active as of Monday, February 5th, at about 1500 UTC. Also, the HK0NA QSL Manager Bob, N2OO, informs: "Just uploaded the separate 'Fab Four' (HK1N, HK1T, HK1MW and HK6F) Malpelo logs to ClubLog <http://www.clublog.org> for anyone who wants to search their QSOs. They are listed as homecall/HK0M. For example, HK1MW/HK0M."

PJ4C LOG. Bernard, F9IE, QSL Manager for the past PJ4C Dxpedition, reported this past week mistakes have been fixed to the PJ4C log and have been uploaded to Clublog <http://www.pj4c.com/pj4c/joomla/online-log>.
There will be, if necessary, a new log upload to Clublog, at the end of February. LoTW uploading is scheduled but not for several months. They request patience.

TO3J OQRS NOW ACTIVE via ClubLOG at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=TO3J
TO3J QSL information: http://www.qrz.com/db/to3j

UZBEKISTAN QSLS. Les, WF5E, from the DX-QSL Service, reports: "I just received about 600 mixed QSLs from Uzbekistan. These are for USA stations, and I will forward them shortly to various bureaus and some directs. Some are 'Thanks QSLs' and some 'PSE QSLs'."

VP6T OQRS NOW ACTIVE. The VP6T Team has announced that just one week after the end of the VP6T Pitcairn DXpedition over 23,000 QSOs [41%] of the 56,300 QSOs have already been "QSLed" on LoTW. If you would still like a direct QSL or a Bureau QSL you can now request them via the OQRS facility on ClubLog. Go to ClubLog. Find your QSOs, and press "Request QSL". QSL cards can also be requested in the traditional way (letter for direct or E-mail for Bureau) via the QSL Manager Nigel, G3TXF. However, if you have already received your LoTW "QSLs" and do not specifically require a traditional paper QSL, you are still welcome to make a small "thank you" donation to the VP6T operation via the VP6T Website donate button at: http://www.vp6t.org
Additional photos will be posted on this web site once the team is back home. Meanwhile, there are some pictures on the following Web pages:

Travelling to Pitcairn: http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/VP6T/VP6T.html
The VP6T station: http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/VP6T/VP6T-station.html
You can click directly from one page to the other (at the top).

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4W0VB, 4W0VB/P, 9A2EU, A25NW, A65BP, C21HA, CR6K, CR8K, D2QV, DG5LAC, DH3MIT, DKL5WL, EA8TL, EA9IE, ES2MC, F1MWV, G6SFP, HG6N, JA0FVU, KH6MB, KL7J, LS1D, LX1EA, M0BSV, OD5PY, OK1FIM, OK1GU, PU5AAD, PZ5RA, RA1QY, SN7Q, SP3DKH, ST2AR, SV7LNK, T32LJ, TN2T, TX6T/p, UX2KA, V44KAI, VE3CGR, VE3KB, VE3RZ, VE5MX, VP6T, Z21BB and ZC4LI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8CF, 4Z5ML, 5N6/YL2SW, 5R8X, 5V7SI, 5W1SA, 6W1SJ, 6W7SK, 8Q7DV, 9M2/KM9D, 9N7MD, BU100, C5A, C50A, CR2X, E51MAN, E51NOU, FK8GX, HL3ERJ, HV0A, JY5HX, KA0XTT, KH2L, OJ0B, OJ0X, T32C, TA7/RA9CKQ, TL0CW, TU2T, TX7M, UA3AP, UA9CUA, XF4IH and ZL8X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3DA0EL, 5N0OCH, 5R8WW, 9N7AN, A25SL, BA7IO, C56E, H40FN, IS0R, OJ0W, S9DX, SV9/DJ7RJ, T31A, TO5SM, TO7RJ, V5/DK1CE, V63MCA, V73QQ and YJ0MM

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op entry. Activity will be mainly on 40 and 20 meters only using 100 watts into a OCF dipole at 30 feet. Check during his sunrise and sunset. QSL via LoTW or to K9GY (see QRZ.com) direct or by the Bureau.

TG, GUATEMALA. Bill, W0OR, will be active as TG8/W0OR from Quetzaltenango between now and March 26th. He is there studying Spanish, but will have some free time and plans to operate mostly CW, but some SSB as time permits. He will also be in the ARRL DX Contest. He will try to get on 160m, if possible. Space is somewhat restricted. QSL via W0OR.

TI, COSTA RICA. Operators Robert/N6OPR and Terry/N0TW will be active as TI5/K6MQ between August 1-8th. Their activity will include the 10-10 Summer QSO Party (August 4-5th). QSL via N0TW.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS (Update). Jim, K4FW, will once again be heading to Kwajalein Island (OC-028) in March because of his job with the Orbital Sciences Corporation. He works with the Pegasus launch vehicle. More specifically, as the Launch Panel Operator (LPO) and is part of the flight crew on the Orbital's L-1011. Jim informs OPDX that he will be using the Kwajalein club station (V73AX) on the southern most side of the island and hopes to once again sign V73FW (application was sent in), if not then he will probably use V7/K4FW and not the club callsign. Activity will be after his work hours for the day on Kwajalein. He states, "I'm taking a Ten Tec Eagle out with me to use and plan to do SSB on any band that's open and use whatever V73AX has for antennas. I recently updated the information on QRZ.com for V73FW." QSL via K4FW, direct or by the Bureau.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (DXpedition Cancelled!). The "DX-World.net" announced this past week that the February 2013 DXpedition to Heard Island has been cancelled. No other details were provided. OPDX has sent an E-mail to Jim Linton/VK3PC, Publicist for the Heard Island 2013 DXpedition to find out why, but we have not received an answer yet. However, there is

some hope. The "DX-World.net" also mentioned that Daniel Kelton of Sydney,
will be sailing solo to Heard Island to attempt to climb its mountain
and kayak around its shores. David, states, "I understand that Heard
Island is a much sought after destination for DX and HAM radio operators.
I would be very happy to transmit from there but would need a lot of advice
and guidance about HAM radio." David does have a Blog page with all
his information about his plans and would also be very happy to answer
questions about his upcoming expedition. His Blog page is at:
http://www.heard-island-solo.com/p/expedition.html

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Operators Jim/N6TJ and Rick/N6ND will be active
as ZD8Z and ZD8R, respectively, from Ascension Island (AF-003) between
February 13-28th. Jim is expected to be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February
18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band-High-Power entry. QSL ZD8Z via AI4U,
direct or by the Bureau. QSL ZD8R via N6ND.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS (NA-016). John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM during
the CQ 160 Meter SSB Contest (February 24-26th) as a Single-Op/High-Power
entry. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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144. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 12th February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 21:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120212210003.A900133C4A@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3661
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 12th February 2012

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

Tickets for the AGM dinner on Saturday April 21st are selling fast. The event this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, www.ei7dar.com. Dinner tickets are just 32, this is a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. As dinner tickets and rooms are distributed on a first come first served basis, you are encouraged and advised to act now to avoid disappointment. The annual rally, on Sunday April 22nd, will also have its favourites and many new and novel exhibitors. This is a must attend event in the 80th Anniversary year of your national society, www.irts.ie.

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos, EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. The Fairways Hotel can be contacted on 042 9321500 or www.fairways.ie.

IRTS Request for Return of Trophies

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2011 IRTS, AGM in Limerick.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to the IRTS Stand at the Phoenix Radio Club Rally in Coolmine on Sunday 12th February. or to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2012.

This will allow for engraving to be done and allow for repairs if necessary.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX at ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/net

Nominations For Awards for IRTS Trophies.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for, 1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2 Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Jim EI4HH, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/ net

Closing date for nominations is 29th February 2012.

Phoenix Amateur Radio Rally

Phoenix Amateur Radio Rally takes place today, Sunday February 12th, Coolmine Community School, Blanchardstown, doors open at 11am. All welcome.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club will be launching the new Dublin Television repeater at today's Phoenix Rally, along with displaying the required equipment needed for reception.

There will also be a live demonstration this Tuesday 14th February at the club for those who are let out on Valentines night and probably most Tuesdays for the following few weeks. Equipment on loan, including a tiny portable LCD television will be available to check coverage at your own qth at a first come, first served basis each week.

The Annual General Meeting of the club will take place Tuesday 13th March. All members are requested to attend.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 27 February at 8:00 p.m. in the Roanmore GAA Club, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. Members are asked to attend and as always, visitors are welcome.

Please note that membership renewals for 2012 are now due. Membership costs 30 Euro and is available at a reduced rate of 20 Euro for pensioners, students and the unemployed. Please pass your payment on to any committee member or you can renew at the AGM on 27 February. Those who paid in November or December are fully paid up for 2012.

For information about the group, visit www.searg.com and you can also follow SEARG on Facebook and Twitter.

Cork Radio Club

The special call sign EI100T has been issued for the year 2012 to commemorate the 100th sinking of the Titanic and Cork Radio Club members will operate the station from Cobh throughout the year. The main Titanic event will happen over the weekend of April 13/14th and everyone is encouraged to visit the special event station in Cobh. Information on EI100T from Cormac EI4HQ QTHR. Further information on Cork Radio Club is available from Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710.

Galway VHF Group

Craggy Island Dxpedition Group.

A number of members of the Galway VHF Group have recently formed the "Craggy Island Dxpedition Group". The group is waiting for an appropriate callsign before the activities begin. Weather permitting, it is hoped that there will be frequent excursions to offshore Islands over the coming year. It should be noted that working an offshore Island does contribute towards the Worked All Ireland Award Scheme and where possible, there will be operation from all squares on each Island. Ample notice will be given via the IRTS News service and do take a look at the Galway VHF Group News page at www.galwayvhfgroup.com which will also be regularly updated with forthcoming plans.

Galway VHF Group News

The Galway VHF Group continue to hold regular meetings with demonstrations of test equipment for the Hamshack. At a recent meeting there was a discussion and demonstration of the Oscilloscope. Other meetings have demonstrated the use of the Signal Generator, and Sinadder and their uses when performing conversions of PMR radio equipment for the VHF Amateur Bands. It is surprising how easy it is to tweak the receiver sensitivity of such rigs using the aforementioned equipment. At the next meeting there will be a practical demonstration covering the building blocks of an AM/FM receiver. After measuring parameters of each stage, the receiver will then be tuned up with a signal generator and Oscilloscope. AREN operations will be busy over the coming year with 7 activities planned so far. These operations will cover Cycling, Walking, Rowing, and Marathon activities undoubtedly there will be many more before the year is out.

Classes for the Amateur Radio Examination are being organised by Steve, EI5DD, for anyone interested from the Galway Area. If there are insufficient numbers for a class it will be possible to organise tuition on a one to one basis if this is preferred. Details may be found on the Galway VHF Group Website at www.galwayvhfgroup.com

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club

WTARC is running a course for the Intermediate Exam which will take place on Tuesday 3rd April 2012.

The course will be on the following Saturday afternoons... Saturday 18th & 25th February, 10th, 24th 31st March, we will not be accepting any registrations after Wednesday 15th February, cost of the course is £65 which includes all materials needed for the course and the exam fee.

A registration form can be downloaded from our website at www.wtarc.co.uk

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DX News

DK9FN is active from Temotu Province in the Solomon Islands until 24 February. Temotu Province counts as a separate DXCC entity. His callsign is H40FN and QSL Manager is HA8DD. The IOTA reference number for this rare one is OC-100

A group of American operators will visit the Bahamas from 13 - 23 February. Look out for the callsigns C6ABB, C6ALC and C6APX.

Other activity in the Caribbean in the coming week will see W4OWY and AA9A signing V25WY and V25AA respectively from the island of Antigua.

Will AA4NC is QRV from Belize from 16 - 26 February using the call V31RR. He will be on 160 - 10m using RTTY, CW and SSB. QSLs go via AI4U.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

145. Bunnell flameproof key mushiness

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-12 23:58:06 UTC
From: davidmylastname@acm.org
Message-ID: <jh9jmeuj1@frotz.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 3662

I've been playing around with two Bunnell flameproof code keys. One of them has a great feel to it. The other one moves with a slight, but annoying, amount of mushy resistance. What's the correct way to remedy this? The mushy one appears a bit newer than the good-feeling one. Also, I'm not sure how to go about disassembling these keys beyond taking the bottom plate off. Removing the screw I immediately see upon removing the plate doesn't seem to loosen anything.

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David Griffith
davidmylastname@acm.org <--- Put my last name where it belongs

146. SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-13 01:48:22 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <20120213014816.1313D33C4A@panix2.panix.com>
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we have to announce that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent recently. They are:

The key of Walter Arnold, or Art, ZS5SU, went silent on the 10th January 2012 after a short illness. Art had been living in London, UK for the past decade or so. His other interest was astronomy and he was also an amateur magician.

The key of Janse van der Merwe, ZS4IQ, on Monday 6 February. Janse was 92 years old. He leaves his YL Annie behind.

We extend our condolences to the families and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

AMATEUR RADIO ALLOCATION AROUND 500 kHz ANOTHER FEW STEPS CLOSER

DISCOUNT FOR RAE STUDENTS UNDER 26

CQ SAYS MORSE IS ALIVE AND WELL

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION BOOKING NOW OPEN

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

AMATEUR RADIO ALLOCATION AROUND 500 kHz ANOTHER FEW STEPS CLOSER

There was a good deal of support for Agenda item 1.23 at WRC12 among administrations at the SWG level for a secondary allocation to Amateur Radio just below 500 kHz; however, there was strong resistance by several administrations to the allocation, based upon a stated concern that amateur operation in that portion of the spectrum could cause interference to Non-Directional Beacons.

SWG 4C3 (the SWG dealing with Agenda Item 1.23) met 12 times over a period of ten days trying to arrive at a consensus. Finally, a consensus was achieved on the issue by adding various footnotes dealing with the allocation that satisfied most of the administrations opposing the allocation. At the end of the day, there were still a couple of administrations opposing the allocation. As a result, the SWG elevated the issue to the Working Group level with two options to satisfy the agenda item.

A secondary allocation to the amateur service in the band 472-479 kHz with certain operating conditions set forth in footnotes to the allocation, or No Change (in other words, no amateur allocation).

The proposal that has been agreed to by most administrations that support the amateur allocation calls for a worldwide secondary allocation to the Amateur Service at 472-479 kHz with a power limit of 1 W EIRP, but with a provision for administrations to permit up to 5 W EIRP for stations located more than 800 km from certain countries that wish to protect their aeronautical radio navigation service (non-directional beacons) from any possible interference. Proposed footnotes provide administrations with opportunities to opt out of the amateur allocation and/or to upgrade their aeronautical radio navigation service to primary if they wish to do so. In addition to these protections for aeronautical radio navigation, the Amateur Service must avoid harmful interference to the primary maritime mobile service.

At the Working Group meeting, there was no shifting of positions, so the matter was elevated to the next level: to Committee 4 with the same two options.

DISCOUNT FOR RAE STUDENTS UNDER 26

Students under 26 planning to write the class A Radio Amateur examination will get a discount off the examination fee of R100. The fee will be R350 which includes the license application fee and license fee to 31 March the following year. For details visit www.sarl.org.za.

CQ SAYS MORSE IS ALIVE AND WELL

Five years after the USA dropped the Morse code requirement, CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, has published a very pointed editorial where-in he notes that both amateur radio and use of the Morse code are alive, well and growing. This despite the ney-sayers who predicted the abandoning of Morse testing would bring a sudden end to the hobby.

In his editorial titled "No-Code Plus Five Years: An Assessment", W2VU, states that amateur radio is still here. CW is still here and despite the fears of many CW supporters the universe did not implode on February 23, 2007.

Rather his article was prepared based on research that checked on signs of the state use of Morse by today's amateur radio community. It did this by asking manufacturer of keys and paddles about sales, talking to the FISTS Morse preservation group, looking at CW contest results and overall United States licensing statistics.

CW was dropped as a license requirement in South Africa on 1 April 2011 when the ZR license was converted to a full class A license on a par with ZS.

ARRL & CQ SIGNED AGREEMENT

ARRL & CQ Signed an agreement to provide ARRL's Logbook of The World support for CQ's awards and ARRL - the national association for Amateur Radio, have signed an agreement to begin providing support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) electronic confirmation system.

CQ's awards will be the first non-ARRL awards supported by LoTW and will be phased in, beginning with the CQ WPX award. Additional CQ awards will follow. The ARRL's LoTW system, an interactive database recording contacts between radio amateurs was created in 2003 and has been adopted by 47 500 radio amateurs worldwide. It already has records of 400 million contacts and grows weekly. The target date for beginning LoTW support for WPX is April 1, 2012. Amateurs will be able to use LoTW logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard LoTW credit fees and CQ award fees will apply.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, observed that this step gives radio amateurs throughout the world an inexpensive and convenient means of gaining credits toward CQ's popular operating awards. "LoTW has significantly increased interest and participation in the ARRL's DXCC, Worked All States and VUCC awards programs. We anticipate a similarly positive response to the addition of the CQ WPX award. Amateurs will be able to spend more time operating and less time chasing QSL cards."

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION BOOKING NOW OPEN

Book now for the SARL National convention which will be held in Pinetown from 20 22 April 2012. Get all the details at www.sarl.org.za and link from the home page.

SAAMSAT TO UPDATE ON KLETSKOUS CUBESAT ON SUNDAY

Listen to Amateur Radio Today for an interview with Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reporting on the progress made on SA AMSAT's KletsKOUS CubeSat project, or download the audio mp3 version from www.amsatsa.org.za.

CLUB NEWS

With reference to last week's item about the ZS6KTS repeater, this repeater was put on the air by the Kempton Park Amateur Radio Technical Society on 145,162 5/145,762 5 MHz in Birchleigh for a test period.

Please comments/reports to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za and also to vivdold@bestwebs.co.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Fortunately a new sunspot is rapidly growing in the south-eastern quadrant of the sun.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 47.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m and especially 15 m will provide lots of DX fun with 10 m only opening sporadically due to the low solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

11 - 12 February - SARL Field Day contest 19 February - last day for submitting logs for SARL field day contest 20 February - Last day for submission of logs for Antique Wireless Association CW activity day. 29 February - Leap year Challenge from 00:01 till 23:59. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

Remember, nominations for SARL awards, which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM may still be submitted. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.
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147. Re: IFR 1200 rear ring case holder

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-13 04:29:48 UTC
From: Karl in Spokane <wa7ycp@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <1bba0113-976a-4df4-984d-1bd47637db24@jn12g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3664

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148. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-009E - Note to all Amateurs in the Alberta Section

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-13 05:22:41 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F389DCB.7050101@rac.ca>
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RAC Bulletin 2012-009E - Note to all Amateurs in the Alberta Section
2012-02-13

This call for volunteers comes from Alberta Section Manager Garry Jacobs, VE6CIA

I am currently in need of volunteers to fill key positions within the Alberta Section Secretariat, including Provincial Government Liaison, Affiliated Club Coordinator, Public Information Officer and Technical Coordinator. If you feel that you are qualified and would like to join the Alberta Section team, I would like to hear from you. Drop me an e-mail at ve6cia@rac.ca.

73

Garry Jacobs VE6CIA
Section Manager Alberta

Doug Mercer, VO1DTM
Chief Field Services Officer - Radio Amateurs of Canada Inc.

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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149. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 13 February 2012

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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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International Space Station contact with The Academy@Shawnee, Louisville, KY

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-v7l6G6R47c/ariss_event_1402.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with
participants at The Academy@Shawnee, Louisville, KY on 14 Feb

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Katy-Nanjing Balloon Comunications Lost

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fsy_hRtWAAY/katy_nanjing_balloon_comunications_lost.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Communications with BLT-28, callsign KT5TK-11, were lost 3 hours after the
balloon was launched from Katy in Texas

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Open Mission Control software for satellite and balloon projects

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vt1ksOvVjNc/open_mission_control_software.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Open Mission Control is open source, open access software for monitoring
and controlling small spacecraft or ballon projects

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ABC releases video on 'top hat' mast of 3WV Dooen

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4i_EjukhgDI/top_hat_mast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When it comes to beaming radio waves across vast distances, the Dooen
transmitter is world class. Standing 201 metres tall with a 19 metre wide
capacitive ‘top hat’, the 3WV mast in western Victoria stands out in the
vast flat landscape that stretches below it

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1HTFjwz62JM/february_13.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
5th-February, through Sunday, 12th-February there were 226 countries active

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Craggy Island Dxpedition Group

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tzUloOCMnPU/craggy_island_dxpedition_group.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A number of members of the Galway VHF Group have recently formed
the 'Craggy Island Dxpedition Group'

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CARA PSK31 Video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Iy99I0DxulY/cara_psk31_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association (CARA) have prodced a video on
PSK31 keyboard-to-keyboard communication

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1HTFjwz62JM/february_13.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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Amateur Radio demonstration in Somalia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jN09ib0_nwY/amateur_radio_demonstration_in_somalia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Darko will demonstrate amateur radio to the locals in Hargeisa and possibly
establish a radio club by donating an IC-735 transceiver with an antenna

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Bedford researchers use Medium Waves for power

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dImfPe1SwrQ/bedford_researchers_use_medium_waves_for_power.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Researchers in Bedford, UK, have created a system to use medium wave
frequencies to replace batteries in small everyday gadgets like clocks or
remote controls

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Essex Portable Operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fez2LdE6I84/essex_portable_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Essex radio amateurs John M0UKD and Dave M0TAZ braved the snow for some
portable operation

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DXpedition to the Graveyard of the Gulf

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NE5RXTwRua4/dxpedition_to_the_graveyard_of_the_gulf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

St. Paul Island is called the Graveyard of the Gulf and that is where an
international, seasoned team of DXers will be heading to later this year

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qGhDuvhUM3Q/history_13_february.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

150. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 12th February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 12th February 2012

The news headlines:

* RSGB launches two consultations

* Warrington club gains Olympic callsign

* Dominican Republic amateurs get 5MHz allocation

The RSGB will shortly be introducing two new consultations to draw Members into the RSGB policy creation process. Some topics will also be open to non-Members. The processes are being piloted on two issues and we hope that many people will feel able to contribute. The first consultation looks at the RSGB's Spectrum Strategy. The second seeks views on how we could celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with some form of QSO Party.

The proposed Spectrum Strategy is being developed by the RSGB Spectrum Forum. It will take into account the outcomes of the current World Radiocommunication Conference, which is due to end on 17 February. It is expected that the Spectrum Strategy consultation will commence on 1 March. All UK amateurs are invited to read and comment on the proposals and post their responses online.

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party consultation uses a different approach. People will be invited into an internet discussion list to seek a consensus on a proposed draft for the QSO Party. We have called this approach a Litmus Test. The QSO Party Litmus Test will go live on Wednesday 15 February.

Further information and access to the consultations can be found at www.rsgb.org.uk/consultations.

Warrington Amateur Radio Club has been granted the Olympic call sign GB2012MV, for Manchester Venue. The station will be located at the Salford University campus and will operate on VHF, HF and D-STAR. Old Trafford will be a venue for the Olympic football competition.

Amateur Radio operators in the Dominican Republic have recently been granted permission to use seven 5MHz channels. These are the same channels as used in the UK. Modes currently permitted are SSB and CW.

Following the recent earthquake in the Central Philippines, communications have been set up on HF as the emergency activity of

amateur radio becomes established in the earthquake and landslide hit areas. Eddie Valdez, DU1EV, Chief Operating Officer for IARU society PARA, said that Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HEROs) has activated the emergency frequencies of 144.740MHz and 7.095MHz.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Harwell Radio & Electronics Rally will take place today, 12 February, at Didcot Leisure Centre, Mereland Road, Didcot. Doors open at 10.30am and there is plenty of free car parking. Admission is £2.50, with accompanied under 12s free. There will be trade stands and a flea market as well as special interest groups at the event. More details from Ann, G8NVI on 01235 816 379.

The Northern Cross Rally will take place at Thornes Park Stadium, Horbury Road Wakefield WF2 8TY today, Sunday 12 February. The usual mix of traders and groups will attend, including the RSGB bookstall and a local wind up mast manufacturer. Entrance is £3 per person and refreshments are available. Doors open at 10.30am. You are advised NOT to park on the road outside as it has double yellow lines on it, but use the available car parks. For more information, contact Ken 2E0SSQ on 07900 563117, before 8pm hours please. The organisers of the Swansea Rally, planned for 26 February, have been obliged to cancel it. They hope to be able to re-schedule it later in the year. Details from Roger, GW4HSH, on 01792 404 422.

Bournemouth Radio Society regrets to announce that, due to circumstances beyond their control, it has been necessary to cancel this year's sale, originally scheduled for Sunday 11 March. Please contact John, G0HAT on 07719 700 771 with any enquiries.

Now for the news of special events

On 18 February, the Surrey Radio Contact Club is activating a Thinking Day On The Air station. Using the callsign GB4ADD for the 4th. Addiscombe Girl Guides, the station will be in the Church Hall at Christ Church Methodist, 114, Lower Addiscombe Road, Croydon, Surrey, CR0 6AD. They will be there from around 10.30am and expect to stay for around three hours. There is ample on site parking.

Itchen Valley Amateur Radio club is helping Girlguiding Chandlers Ford Division celebrate World Thinking Day, over the weekend of 18 and 19 February, with the callsign GB0CFG. Visitors are always welcome at the Scout Hut, Brickfield Lane, Chandlers Ford. Further details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Francois, F8DVD will be active as TM8AAW until 26 February, including the 9th Antarctic Activity Week of 20 to 26 February. He will operate on 10 to 40 metres, mostly SSB, from his home QTH in Macon, France. QSL via home callsign, direct or bureau.

Jean-Pierre, F6ITD will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands from Guadeloupe, which is IOTA reference NA-102, until 13 March. Look him for as FG/F6ITD from Basse-Terre until 19 February and then from La Desirade. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Al, W6HGF will be active as FP/W6HGF from Miquelon Island, IOTA reference NA-032, until 20 February. Operation is planned to be focused on digital, mostly RTTY, including an entry in the CQ WW WPX RTTY contest. QSL via W6HGF, either direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

The first of this year's CQWW WPX contests is RTTY, which takes place for the entire 48 hours of the weekend of the 11th and 12th. There are categories for QRP, low and high power, single or multi-operator stations, various numbers of transmitters and even single-operator stations where the operator has been licensed for less than three years. With the HF bands now in good shape, 10m could well be busy for long hours. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

For 24 hours this weekend, the PACC Contest will be running on CW and SSB. Work as many Dutch stations as possible per band, giving RST and serial number. Dutch stations give RST + two-letter Province abbreviation, of which there are twelve in all. The multiplier is the number of provinces worked per band and, once again, there are numerous entry categories.

The RSGB 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 14 February between 2000 and 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The following day, 15 February, the RSGB 80m club championships data leg takes place between 2000 and 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number. The ARRL International DX Contest takes place for the whole 48 hours of the weekend of 18 and 19 February. This event has a loyal band of followers in the UK and is a great one in which to build up your list of States contacted, if you are working towards the Worked All States Award. On the final weekend of the month there are two major international SSB events, but no clash of bands. Using CW only, the exchange is signal report and transmit power, although W stations send their State and VE stations send their Province.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 3rd to Thursday the 9th of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 10th of February.

There were fewer sunspot groups visible during the period with only 3 groups visible on the 5th and the 6th. On the remaining days only 2 groups were visible. Solar activity declined to very low levels for the first three days but then, on the 6th, an M1 class solar flare took place unexpectedly. Solar flux levels, as expected, declined from 111 units on the 3rd to 97 by the 8th. This is the first time that the solar flux levels were below the 100 mark since August last year. The average was 105 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 9th was 136

units, that's five units down on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged B2.3 units, which is well down compared to previous weeks. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels, but on the 7th and the 8th a weak coronal hole disturbance took place with an Ap index of 15 and 10 units respectively. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 390 kilometres per second on the 3rd to 540 by the 7th. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied between minus and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus and plus 7 nanoTeslas during the most disturbed day.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the more active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. However, looking at the latest images from the STEREO Behind spacecraft, this side of the Sun is not as active now compared to the last rotation. Therefore, solar activity is expected to be at low levels, with only a small chance of activity increasing higher than that. Solar flux levels should be around the 120's. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day unless a coronal mass ejection heads our way. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 28MHz for the south and 25MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 22MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1300 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 13 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is closed for the school holidays. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 13 February South Birmingham Radio Society is making plans for the rally season, including Wythall in March. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 13 February Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having an introduction to the loop fed VHF Yagi by Terry, G3MXH. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 14 February Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to

radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 14 February Eagle Radio Group is having a presentation by Ian Hole, G0OUG, entitled renew your body. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday 14 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 432MHz UK AC from 8pm at the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 14 February Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at computer maintenance & use with Andrew, G8SEG. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 14 February Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk and demonstration on Echolink. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 14 February Wythall Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 15 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air for the 3.5MHz CC Data contest and having a video night. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 15 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is on the air, discussing rally visits and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 15 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the UKAC contests with Dave, G0CER. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 16 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding its club simplex net on 145.375 MHz from 8pm. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 16 February Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk. On Thursday 16 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 17 February Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a skittles night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 17 February Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the work of the Leicestershire Repeater Group by G4AFJ. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

On Friday 17 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 18 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack from nine `till noon 09.00 &#65533; Noon. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with advance notice that Southport and District Amateur Radio Club will be running its next Intermediate Licence course from 17 March. This will lead to the exam on 21 April. The programme is by distance learning plus tutor support, a practical training session and a theory revision session, followed by the exam. The club still has some places available. Any Foundation licensees wishing to upgrade their amateur radio licence should contact the course administrator, Rob Harwood G0HRT on 07413 937 075 or via rob@g0hrt.co.uk ASAP. The venue is Ormskirk, Lancashire.

On Sunday 12 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is at the Northern Cross Rally, Thornes Park Athletics Stadium, Horbury Road, Wakefield, WF2 8TY. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Monday 13 February Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on parasitic oscillation by Chris Herring. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 13 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having the third part of its contest workshop, looking at handling pile ups and weak signals. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 13 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on geography and travel by M3ZPN. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 14 February Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 14 February Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Tuesday 14 February Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 15 February Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on search and rescue dog training by Ken Sloan. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 15 February Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is preparing for TDOTA. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530.
On Wednesday 15 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club 80m is taking part in the CC Data and watching a DVD. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 15 February Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its pre-AGM discussion. More information from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Wednesday 15 February Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having an HF data night. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Wednesday 15 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC Data from the club station, G3RCM. More information from

Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday 16 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having an international quiz night with John, SA3BRB. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 16 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 17 February East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 17 February Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is putting G0NWM on the air and running Morse tuition. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is running a course for the Intermediate Exam. The course runs on the afternoons of Saturday 18 & 25 February, 10, 24 and 31 March. The exam will take place on Tuesday 3 April. The cost of the course is £65 which includes all materials and the exam fee. The last date for registrations is Wednesday 15 February. A registration form can be downloaded from www.wtarc.co.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 14 February Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 15 February Glenrothes & DRC is having a talk on switched-mode power supplies. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, by email to mm0ljasecgr@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 16 February Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a beginners guide to contesting by Norman Mackenzie, GM3WIJ. Details from Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 16 February Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on SOTA by MM6ANL. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Friday 17 February Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a radio check night with John, MM0JXI. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with advance notice that Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its first Foundation Licence course from 16 to 24 March. Apply to Eric Curling by email to m0luv@radarc.org or visit the club website at www.radarc.org.

On Monday 13 February Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on contest logging by G0KZT. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 13 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding its Club net from 19.30 on repeater GB3NB, 145.625MHz output. Everyone is welcome. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 13 February Swale Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on repeaters by Ian, G6DUI. Non-club members are welcome to attend the meeting. Details from Phil, G0JBA, on 01233 330 127.

On Monday 13 February West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation by Keith, G4JED, on the history of RAYNET, its developments over the years, and the current operations of RAYNET in Kent. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 14 February Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is looking at PSK31. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 14 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 14 February Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 14 February Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual construction contest. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 15 February Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 15 February Lymington Community Centre Radio Club is starting a new Foundation class from 7pm to 9.30pm at the Lymington Community Centre. Contact M0LCC on 01590 672 337.

On Wednesday 15 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m CC Data and holding an informal meeting. The shack will be open and the workshop will be available. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 15 February Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening and putting GX3WOR on the air. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 16 February Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a Foundation exam. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Thursday 16 February Colchester Radio Amateurs are hearing about J6/G0DVJ. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 16 February Cray Valley Radio Society is having a club meeting. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965. On Thursday 16 February Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation by the British Association for Immediate Care, Hampshire division. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 16 February Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Limeburners, Newbridge, RH14 9JA. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 16 February Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 16 February Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on DIY ADS-B by Don, G4LOO. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 16 February Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on Heathkit refurbishment and home construction techniques by Bob Burns, G3OOU. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 13 February Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 13 February Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 14 February Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having the 2nd part of Charlie Ollis' talk of life on cargo ships and as a radio operator at Portishead Radio, GKA. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 14 February Plymouth Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Tuesday 14 February Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Helston Railway by Alan Burton. Details online at www.gb2gm.org.

On Wednesday 15 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 16 February Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 16 February South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a social networking workshop. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Friday 17 February Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 17 February Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES We have received advance information from the Blackwood club, GW6GW, that they are starting an Intermediate course on Friday 24 February at 7pm. The classes will be at Oakdale Comprehensive School. More details are on the club website, www.gw6gw.co.uk.

151. Mike Nickolaus, NF0N, in the news!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-13 15:58:01 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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Source record: 3668
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I am pleased to let you know that there was a great article about Mike Nickolaus, NF0N, in the February 9 issue of the Dakota County Star. Mike is the Nebraska Section Traffic Manager. The article not only included Mike's history as a ham, but included several positive remarks about our hobby.

You can read the article at the paper's website:
http://tinyurl.com/nf0n-news

Congratulations, Mike! I know I speak for a whole bunch of hams when I say we're proud of you!

73, Art K0AIZ

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
k0aiz@arrl.org
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152. Fifth Anniversary of rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-13 17:37:21 UTC
From: "rec.radio.amateur.moderated Admin" <rram@panix.com>
Message-ID: <jhbhlt$i8q$1@reader1.panix.com>
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The Usenet newsgroup rec.radio.amateur.moderated will be five years old this month, having been created on February 22, 2007.

Sometimes the most powerful motivator to succeed is being told that something can't be done. When a group of us decided to try to create a new Usenet group, we were told:

- Usenet is dying, and a new newsgroup will not succeed.

- On-line discussion of sometimes contentious issues about amateur radio can't be done without degrading into personal attacks.

- Moderators can't be fair and unbiased, or promptly attentive to the submission queue.

Five years later, we're happy to have proven those assumptions wrong. Our newsgroup appears at most major (and minor) news server sites, including Google Groups and Radio Banter. We have a modest readership and over 5,000 articles approved (an average of about 3 per day). We have been able to approach sometimes controversial issues about amateur radio without degrading into incivility. Whatever required editorial control and oversight has proven to be light, with nearly all contributors willing to abide by fair and simple rules of engagement. The moderation software we adapted, Secure Team-Based Usenet Moderation Program (STUMP), made our newsgroup secure and reliable, with prompt article turnaround. In fact, it has worked so well that we have provided our adapted configuration of STUMP to several other successful radio-related moderated newsgroups, including rec.radio.info, rec.radio.broadcasting, and ba.broadcast.moderated.

If you haven't participated on Usenet in a while -- either by reading or posting -- please consider rejoining us. If you've never been on Usenet, we invite you to give it a try!

Usenet is still very much alive, and can be a useful venue for many topics, including amateur radio. The long-standing advantages of Usenet newsgroups still remain, and include:

- The user can control the interface (choices of newsreader software)

- killfiles

- threading

- unified, but distributed, discussion on specific topics

- efficient use of bandwidth

- rugged, distributed transport system that has been in place for decades

More information about rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info can be obtained from:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/

More information about access to newsgroups can be obtained from:

http://www.big-8.org/wiki/News_Service_Providers

More information about newsreader software can be obtained from:

http://www.big-8.org/wiki/Newsreaders

Many radio-related newsgroups can also be accessed via the following free web sites:

rec.radio.* newsgroups on Google Groups (http://groups.google.com/groups/dir?sel=usenet%3Drec.radio)

RadioBanter (http://www.radiobanter.com)

Additional thanks, and credit for our success, go to:

- The Big-8 Management Board for Usenet, including Marty Moleski and Tim Skirvin

- Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC (Panix)

- Igor Chudov, author of STUMP

Here's hoping for at least five more successful years.

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rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com

153. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-13 23:47:19 UTC
From: "Dave S." <somewhere@overtherainbow.com>
Message-ID: <jhc7e8mrb1@speranza.aioe.org>
Source record: 3670
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

"Len GM0ONX" <gm0onx@gooooglemail.com> wrote in message
news:jh77oaviv1@dont-email.me...
> On 11/02/2012 23:22, Dave S. wrote:
>> "Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed" <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
>> wrote in message news:90e6ba6e897c8f7fd204b8ae645c@google.com...

>>> This special callsign GB80PW, issued to Practical Wireless magazine to
>>> celebrate the publication's 80th year in print, had its first airing
>>> in January this year
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>> Is it correct that this station is being run from Mannion's home? I
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>> public, so what's his address so we can all pop round?
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> informed.

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Event Station permitted to be set up by Radio Amateurs under the terms of
the Notice of Variation must be in support of an event which is of special
significance, being in support of a celebration or demonstration and will be
open to viewing by members of the public".

Is PW's 80th birthday "an event which is of special significance" I wonder!

Dave S.

154. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-14 08:51:50 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <2HFDAEEmCiOPFwQm@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 3671
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

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Name one other monthly radio magazine which has been going for so long.
[Bulletin/RadCom doesn't count because it changed its name.]
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Ian

155. SARL News in English 14/2/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-14 14:39:02 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <04AAC923496E41D5ABDA71A89BCF9A13@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3672
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Please accept our apologies for the non-receipt of the bulletin for 12th February. This was due to changes made by our service provider to tighten up on spam email. The missing news bulletin appears below.

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we have to announce that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent recently. They are:

The key of Walter Arnold, or Art, ZS5SU, went silent on the 10th January 2012 after a short illness. Art had been living in London, UK for the past decade or so. His other interest was astronomy and he was also an amateur magician.

The key of Janse van der Merwe, ZS4IQ, on Monday 6 February. Janse was 92 years old. He leaves his YL Annie behind.

We extend our condolences to the families and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

AMATEUR RADIO ALLOCATION AROUND 500 kHz ANOTHER FEW STEPS CLOSER

DISCOUNT FOR RAE STUDENTS UNDER 26

CQ SAYS MORSE IS ALIVE AND WELL

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION BOOKING NOW OPEN

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

AMATEUR RADIO ALLOCATION AROUND 500 kHz ANOTHER FEW STEPS CLOSER

There was a good deal of support for Agenda item 1.23 at WRC12 among administrations at the SWG level for a secondary allocation to Amateur Radio just below 500 kHz; however, there was strong resistance by several administrations to the allocation, based upon a stated concern that amateur operation in that portion of the spectrum could cause interference to Non-Directional Beacons.

SWG 4C3 (the SWG dealing with Agenda Item 1.23) met 12 times over a period of ten days trying to arrive at a consensus. Finally, a consensus was achieved on the issue by adding various footnotes dealing with the allocation that satisfied most of the administrations opposing the allocation. At the end of the day, there were still a couple of administrations opposing the allocation. As a result, the SWG elevated the issue to the Working Group level with two options to satisfy the agenda item.

A secondary allocation to the amateur service in the band 472-479 kHz with certain operating conditions set forth in footnotes to the allocation, or No Change (in other words, no amateur allocation).

The proposal that has been agreed to by most administrations that support the amateur allocation calls for a worldwide secondary allocation to the Amateur Service at 472-479 kHz with a power limit of 1 W EIRP, but with a provision for administrations to permit up to 5 W EIRP for stations located more than 800 km from certain countries that wish to protect their aeronautical radio navigation service (non-directional beacons) from any possible interference. Proposed footnotes provide administrations with opportunities to opt out of the amateur allocation and/or to upgrade their aeronautical radio navigation service to primary if they wish to do so. In addition to these protections for aeronautical radio navigation, the Amateur Service must avoid harmful interference to the primary maritime mobile service.

At the Working Group meeting, there was no shifting of positions, so the matter was elevated to the next level: to Committee 4 with the same two options.

DISCOUNT FOR RAE STUDENTS UNDER 26

Students under 26 planning to write the class A Radio Amateur examination will get a discount off the examination fee of R100. The fee will be R350 which includes the license application fee and license fee to 31 March the following year. For details visit www.sarl.org.za.

CQ SAYS MORSE IS ALIVE AND WELL

Five years after the USA dropped the Morse code requirement, CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, has published a very pointed

editorial where-in he notes that both amateur radio and use of the Morse code are alive, well and growing. This despite the ney-sayers who predicted the abandoning of Morse testing would bring a sudden end to the hobby.

In his editorial titled "No-Code Plus Five Years: An Assessment", W2VU, states that amateur radio is still here. CW is still here and despite the fears of many CW supporters the universe did not implode on February 23, 2007.

Rather his article was prepared based on research that checked on signs of the state use of Morse by today's amateur radio community. It did this by asking manufacturer of keys and paddles about sales, talking to the FISTS Morse preservation group, looking at CW contest results and overall United States licensing statistics.

CW was dropped as a license requirement in South Africa on 1 April 2011 when the ZR license was converted to a full class A license on a par with ZS.

ARRL & CQ SIGNED AGREEMENT

ARRL & CQ Signed an agreement to provide ARRL's Logbook of The World support for CQ's awards and ARRL - the national association for Amateur Radio, have signed an agreement to begin providing support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) electronic confirmation system.

CQ's awards will be the first non-ARRL awards supported by LoTW and will be phased in, beginning with the CQ WPX award. Additional CQ awards will follow. The ARRL's LoTW system, an interactive database recording contacts between radio amateurs was created in 2003 and has been adopted by 47 500 radio amateurs worldwide. It already has records of 400 million contacts and grows weekly. The target date for beginning LoTW support for WPX is April 1, 2012. Amateurs will be able to use LoTW logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard LoTW credit fees and CQ award fees will apply.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, observed that this step gives radio amateurs throughout the world an inexpensive and convenient means of gaining credits toward CQ's popular operating awards. "LoTW has significantly increased interest and participation in the ARRL's DXCC, Worked All States and VUCC awards programs. We anticipate a similarly positive response to the addition of the CQ WPX award. Amateurs will be able to spend more time operating and less time chasing QSL cards."

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION BOOKING NOW OPEN

Book now for the SARL National convention which will be held in Pinetown from 20 22 April 2012. Get all the details at www.sarl.org.za and link from the home page.

SAAMSAT TO UPDATE ON KLETSKOUS CUBESAT ON SUNDAY

Listen to Amateur Radio Today for an interview with Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reporting on the progress made on SA AMSAT's KletsKOUS CubeSat project, or download the audio mp3 version from www.amsatsa.org.za.

CLUB NEWS

With reference to last week's item about the ZS6KTS repeater, this repeater was put on the air by the Kempton Park Amateur Radio Technical Society on 145,162 5/145,762 5 MHz in Birchleigh for a test period.

Please comments/reports to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za and also to vivdold@bestwebs.co.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Fortunately a new sunspot is rapidly growing in the south-eastern quadrant of the sun.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 47.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m and especially 15 m will provide lots of DX fun with 10 m only opening sporadically due to the low solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

11 - 12 February - SARL Field Day contest 19 February - last day for submitting logs for SARL field day contest 20 February - Last day for submission of logs for Antique Wireless Association CW activity day. 29 February - Leap year Challenge from 00:01 till 23:59. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

Remember, nominations for SARL awards, which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM may still be submitted. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

156. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 06 - 12 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-14 23:00:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120214230003.32F6733C3C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3673
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Feb 14 2216 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
06 - 12 February 2012

Solar activity began the week at moderate levels due to an M1/Sf
flare produced by Region 1410 (N18, L=056, class/area Cso/240 on 01
February) at 06/2000 UTC. Activity levels decreased to very low to
low levels for the remainder of the week. Noteworthy events include
a long duration C7 limb event from Region 1410 at 07/2219 UTC, and a
CME associated with a filament eruption at 10/1154 UTC. Region 1410
produced a long duration C7 limb event at 07/2219 UTC.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit started
the period at normal background levels, increased to moderate levels
on 07 February, and reached high levels on 08-09 February. The
electron flux returned to moderate levels for the remainder of the
period.

The geomagnetic field was at mostly quiet levels for the majority of
the period. There were a few periods of unsettled to active
conditions at mid-latitudes with active to minor storm conditions at
high latitudes, early in the week on 7 and 8 February. This activity
was associated with solar wind speeds between 450-500 km/s and
periods of southward Bz. Mid-day on 09 February, unsettled to active
periods were observed at high latitudes due to the arrival of a
co-rotating interaction region followed by a weak coronal hole high
speed stream. From late on 09 February until the end of the period,
mostly quiet conditions prevailed.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
15 February - 12 March 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low with a slight chance of M-class
activity until Region 1419 rotates off the visible disk on 26
February. Very low to low levels are expected to prevail for the
remainder of the period.
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No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at low to moderate levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at mostly quiet levels throughout the period, with the exception of any currently unanticipated future CME events. Increased field activity due to recurrent disturbances is expected on 18-19 February, 23 February, 2-3 March, and 7 March.

** Attention** Beginning Monday, March 12, 2012, the Weekly bulletin will now be issued and available on the SWPC web page every Monday morning by 1500 UTC.

157. [DXNL] DXNL 1767 (Feb 15, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-14 23:27:26 UTC
From: Michael Oerter <dj5av@kabelbw.de>
Message-ID: <F65BCC44C0EB4930B001B445384EE987@dj4tz>
Source record: 3674
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1767 - Feb 15, 2012

DX Newsletter

a free and weekly service of

DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting"

(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

Editor: Johannes Amchewicz, DK8JB

(e-Mayl: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Mike, DJ5AV

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3C, Annobon: (Update):

The timeframe of the activation announced in last DXNL is now available

on their webside as:

3C6A 22. - 26. February

3C0E 28. February - 11. March

http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/news.php

3D, Swaziland:

Phil, G3SWH, and John, G3OLU / EA5ARC, intend an activation of Hawane

Resort February 21st - 29th. The equipment there will be K3, IC2KL PA,

A4S on 24m, and A3WS on 20m of hight, 4 Square for 40 meters, and

verticals for 80 meters, owner is Daniel, ZS6JR, and "CQ-DX African

Safaris". Find them on 80 - 10 meters, CW only, preferred frequencies

3.505, 7.005, 10.105, 14.025, 18.083, 21.025, 24.895, and 28.035 kHz,

+/- QRM and split 1-3 kHz up. They hope to exceed 15.000 QSOs. QSL via

G3SWH, (OQRS), LoTW.

http://www.g3swh.org.uk/3da0pw.html

3V8, Tunisia:

Clubstation 3V8SS will be activated by Ash, KF5EYY, for the ARRL DX CW Contest, (18./19. February) SOAB-LP. QSL via LX1NO, LoTW.

http://www.kf5eyy.com/

6V, Senegal:

6V7S is operated by Vlad, RK4FF, through February 22nd from Le Calao in Ngaparou on 80/40/20/15/10 meters, CW, SSB, and RTTY.QSL via homecall.

6Y, JaMayca:

Look for VE3DZ in ARRL DX CW Contest as 6Y2T SOAB. QSL via homecall.

C6, Bahamas:

Also in ARRL DX CW Contest M/S C6ANM will be presented by Tom, N1GN, and Bill, NE1B, from Nassau (Gambier Village), New Providence Island (NA-001, WLOTA 1115, WW Loc. FL15gb). QSL via WA2IYO, direct only, and by LoTW.

CO, Cuba:

Luis, CO6LP, will operate from Santa Clara (NA-015, WLOTA 0032) in ARRL DX CW Contest SO/SB (160m). QSL via EA5GL, direct only.

DL, Germany:

This year the federal state of Anhalt activates special event station DM800ANH for their 800 years jubilee.

http://www.darc.de/uploads/media/Diplomausschreibung_Anhalt_800.pdf

G, England:

For the event of 50 years jubilee of Keighley & Worth Valley Railway Jack, G0FQN, will operate special call GB50WVR through December 2012. QSL via 2E1HQY.

Olof, G0CKV, Kazu, JK3GAD, Oliver, W6NV, and Seppo, OH1VR, will hit the airwaves from the place of Marconi`s `transatlantic tests in Cornwall as M5E in ARRL DX CW Contest M/2. QSL via G0CKV.

J8, St. Vincent:

The call J88DR is presented by Dave, G3TBK, February 15th through March 14th including ARRL DX CW Contest and ARRL DX SSB Contest

(3./4. March) operating SOAB-LP as well as RSGB's 74rd Commonwealth Contest (11./12. March). He will use all bands with a focus on 30/17/12 meters and use CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL via homecall.

JW, Svalbard:

Look for Mitko, JW/LZ1UQ, and Andy, JW/LZ2HM, February 15th through 21st from WLOTA 0125 incl. ARRL DX CW Contest. QSLs via homecalls.

KH0, Mariana Islands:

Find Naoki, JS3LSQ, operating from Saipan Island (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25UF) as KH0WJ on 80 - 10 meters, maybe 6 meters also, from February 16th through 21st. QSL via homecall.

KP2, Virgin Islands:

Yuriy, N2TTA, will be in the ARRL DX CW Contest SOAB-LP using the call KP2MM. QSL via LoTW.

http://www.n2tta.info/

KP4, Puerto Rico:

Al, WP3C, will be active in ARRL DX CW Contest SOAB-LP. QSL via W3HNK, direct only.

http://www.wp3c.qth.com

Felipe, NP4Z, will also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest, SOAB.

QSL via N4AO.

LX, Luxemburg:

LX7I will be presented by the group of DF1LON, DF9TS, DJ7JC, PA0BWL, and LX2A in ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via LX2A.

http://www.lx2a.com

LY, Lithunia:

An additional special prefix will be presented through February 29th by special call LY16W for "The Act of Independence of Lithuania" on 160 - 10 meters using CW, BPSK, SSB, and RTTY. QSLs via buro, eQSL, LoTW and direct via LY5W.

http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/ly-wpx-trophy

http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/ly-wpx-trophy-honor-roll

http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/baltic-states-wpx-trophy

OH0, Aland Is.:

OH6EI will pesent OH0Z SOAB-HP in ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via W0MM.

http://www.oh0z.net/

P4, Aruba:

Also in ARRL DX CW Contest look for Andy, AE6Y, as P49Y in Pos Chiquito on Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033) SOAB. QSL via homecall, direct only, and by LoTW.

PJ4, Bonaire:

W1MD, K1XX, and others will operate PJ4X in ARRL DX CW Contest M/2. QSL via W1MD, direct only, LoTW. Outside of contest the operators will use their personal calls.

PJ7, Sint Maarten:

Gary, PJ7/AK4GP, is operating QRP with Elecraft KX1 on CW February 11th through 17th on 40 and 20 meters. QSL by LoTW.

PZ, Suriname:

Members of "Rochester DX Association" (RDXA) Redd, AI2N, Ken, N2ZN, and Dave, WJ2O, will present PZ5RO February 16th - 21st from the home of Ramon, PZ5RA, west of capital Paramaribo (WW Loc. GJ25ku) in the ARRL DX CW Contest also. QSL via AI2N.

http://www.wj2o.com/

T5, Somalia (Update):

6O3A is the call of Darko, J28AA, in Somalia.

http://bhome callc.ba/news/74

T8, Palau:

T88KF, that is Al, JA9APS, February 17th through 21st holiday style on 40 - 6 meters using SSB, CW, and RTTY with TS-570S and R8 vertical. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

TG, Guatemala:

William, TG8/W0OR, is in Quetzaltenango for an educational trip through

March 27th operating CW mostly with some SSB. Look for him also in ARRL DX CW Contest. He will look for a possibility for 160m but space is limited for him. QSL via homecall, direct only.

UT, Ukraine:

For 80 years jubilee of Kiew Region special event stations will be on the air through February 29th:

EM80UKO (QSL via UR7UC) EM80UU (QSL via US7UU)

EM0UBC (QSL via UR4UXD) EO0UD (QSL via UR7UT)

V3, Belize:

February 16th - 25th AA4NC is operating V31RR on 160 - 6 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY wt focus on RTTY, low bands, and 6 meters, if propagation. Look for him in ARRL DX CW Contest SOAB and NAQP RTTY Contest. QSL via AI4U, direct only, and by LoTW.

VP5, Turks and Caicos:

N7OU, W7YAQ, K7AR, and NE7D wuill operate VP5/ February 15th - 22nd on 160 - 10 meters with CW, SSB, and RTTY. They will be in ARRL DX CW Contest as VP5OU. QSL fuer VP5OU via N7OU, direct only, and LOTW, others via homecall.

VP9, Bermuda:

Find Kurt, VP9/W6PH, in ARRL DX CW Contest SOAB-LP operating from Tarrafal Apartments in Hamilton Parish on Bermuda (NA-005). QSL via homecall, direct only.

XW, Laos:

Bruce, XW4XR (ex XW1B), has announced his participation in ARRL DX CW Contest SOAB-LP. QSL via E21EIC.

YA, Afghanistan:

Look for Eric, K9GY, as T6MO SOLP in ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL via homecall.

ZD8, Ascension Island:

Find Jim, N6TJ (ZD8Z), and Rick, N6ND (ZD8R) from AF-003 February 13th through 28th. QSL ZD8R via N6ND, ZD8Z via AI4U.

ZF2, Cayman Is.:

John, K6AM, will present ZF2AM in ARRL DX CW Contest SOAB-HP from Savannah on Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042). Antennas: 17 el Log Periodic at 100 ft, C3 at 50 ft, 2 el 80 at 90 ft, Pro 67 at 60 ft. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

Emergency Traffic:

Due to an earth quake in the Philippines there are activities on amateur radio. Eddie ValDec, DU1EV, Chief Operating Officer for IARU society PARA reports about activities on HF bands and VHF. Aboard a ship of the Coast Guard they are operating a communications center for news to Cebu and Manila. Mainly they deal with search and report mails about persons missed. With phone communications cut and widespread power outages ham radio became an important means. Another ham operator is Alvin, DU1AJ/7, who uses his ham station to handle news on HF, VHF, Echolink, and even on Facebook in internet. Operators Butch, DU1RP, and Lito, DU1PA, have erected a station at the "National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council", NDRRMC and operate a link on HF between the struck area and the NDRRMC Operating Center in Manila. The earth quake with a magnitude of 6,8 in a narrow strait between the heavily populated island provinces of Negros and Cebu hit the area around lunchtime on Monday, February 6th. There have been many aftershocks, some nearly as strong causing further panic.

New Band?

At the WRC-12 in Geneva ham radio representatives are working for a consensus on an allocation to the amateur service in the region of 500 kHz. 472 kHz through 479 kHz currently is regarded as most suitable band. Expect a decision on February 17th close to the end of WRC.

Linux-Logger:

Petr, OK2CQR, developed a MySQL-based logging program for LINUX. Find version 1.3.0 at:

http://www.cqrlog.com/

Online-Callbook:

Petr, OK2CQR, is also testing an online callbook with informations about more that 1,3 Million stations.

http://www.hamqth.com/

QSLs from printer:

Bill, VK4FW, reports QSL cards for 3D2T and T2T finally arrived from the printer. He is sorry about the delay and will need about another 2 months' work to complete them by hand.

QSL-Watch:

Freddy, J28RO (http://j28ro.blogspot.com), and Yan, XV4Y, (http://xv4y.radioclub.asia), present an online webside concerning QSL politics: http://www.qslwatch.com/

Log updated:

The PJ4C-DXpedition have corrected their online log. LoTW will follow.

qsl.pj4c@orange.fr

http://www.pj4c.com/pj4c/joomla/online-log

WAP

Gianni, I1HYW, presents informative text and many pictures, QSLs, and informations online at: www.waponline.it

Silent Key:

NASA astronaut Janice Voss, KC5BTK, passed away on 7th February at 55 years of age. She flew on space five times between 1993 and 2000, and participated in making amateur radio contacts via the "Space Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment" (SAREX), the precursor of the ARISS program.

Richard "Dick" Kirby, W0LCT (HB9BOA), passed away on 26th January. He was 89. In 1974 he was elected Director of the ITU's "International Radio Consultative Committee" (since 1992 ITU-R) and served as a Director until his retirement in 1995. While at ITU he also served as President of the "International Amateur Radio Club" (4U1ITU).

Other recently reported Silent Keys include James Corney (G0ICQ) and

Vladislav A. Krasavin (RX4HZ).

Our condolences and compassion to the families and friends.

UPCOMING CONTESTS

17./18.2. Russian WW PSK Contest

18./19.2. ARRL International DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-Mayl: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

AF-004; EA8; Canary Islands:

Luis/EA8AY uses special call EF8USA on Teneriffa(DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276,

EAA TF) in ARRL DX CW Contest (SOAB).

QSL via LoTW only. http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x/

AF-014; CT3; Madeira Archipelgio:

Several stations are announced to be in ARRL DX CW Contest

(18./19. February) active on Madeira:

Look for CR3A operated by Tibor/OM3RM from Funchal (DIP MA-001,

PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053). Before contest he uses CT9/OM3RM on all HF-

bands. QSL CR3A via CT3EE. QSL CT9/OM3RM via homecall (d/B).

Uli/DJ2YA, Falk/DK7YY, Ulf/DL5AXX, Tom/DL5LYM, and Frank/DL8WAA will

sign CR3L in contest (Multi-2). They operate from Santana, Ilha

da Madeira (DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053). QSL via DJ6QT(d/B).

http://cq3l.de/viewpage.php?page_id=1

Julius, CT9/OM7JG will also be on SOAB LP from Madeira (AF-014,

DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053). QSL via homecall (d/B).

AF-042; EA9; Alboran Island:

EA3ATM/Jordi, EA3DW/Jaume, EA3NT/Christian, EA3OR/Ramon, and EA5KA/

Raul will go to Alboran Island (DIE: S-001, FEA: E-0086, WLOTA: 1061,

ARLHS: SPA-145, DME: 04013, GRID: IM85LW) February 16th through 20th.

They will operate 3 stations on HF for CW and SSB to let all IOTA collectors have a chance. Callsign will be EG3INT/7. The IOTA-Directory presents the island as EA9. In 2006 the island was allocated to the province of Almeria, therefor the call EG3INT/7 was defined by the Spanish administration. IOTA comitee was informed about the change but did not change the directory. So also IOTA allocation AF-042 will be used. QSL via EA5KA (d/B).

EU-002, OH0; Aland Islands:

Also in ARRL DX CW Contest (SOAB) find OH0X by Pekka/OH2TA on Brando Island. QSL via OH2TA (d/B).

EU-021, TF; Iceland:

Siggi/TF3CW will be in ARRL DX CW SOSB from Seltjarnarnes (WLOTA 2975). QSL, direct only, via LX1NO.

EU-175; CU3-7; Central group:

14. through 22. February Mario/DL2UX will be on Graciosa Island (DIP AZ-004, PIP AC-004, WLOTA 0113). He will be engaged in triathlon and as CT8/DL2UX on the HF bands to train operating a pile up. QSL via homecall (d/B).

NA-045; XE3; Quintataroo State North group:

Keith, XE3/K5ENS, operates on Mujeres Island (WFF XEFF-020, WLOTA 1716, ARLHS MEX-139) through April 1st, 2012 mainly in his evening hours on 14.260 +-QRM. For a paper QSL send to the address on Mujeres (QRZ.COM). He will upload his QSOs to LoTW and eQSL.

SA-064; CE7; Aisen Region Centre group:

Marco/CT1TBN will be active from Huichas Islands February 18th - 20th with a focus on SSB (and some CW) on 20, 15 and 10m. QSL via homecall (d/B).

Lighthouse activities

6Y2T LH 0214 18.02. - 19.02.

CO6LP LH 0032 18.02. - 19.02.

FG/F6ITD LH 1121 21.02. - 13.03.

KG4AS LH 0358 18.02. - 25.02.

KP2MM LH 2477 18.02. - 19.02.

P40/AI2N LH 0033 22.02. - 24.02.

P40/WJ2O LH 0033 22.02. - 24.02.

P49Y LH 0033 18.02. - 19.02.

TO5X LH 1041 18.02. - 19.02.

WP3C LH 2802 18.02. - 19.02.

ZD8Z LH 1491 18.02. - 19.02.

ZF2AM LH 1042 18.02. - 19.02.

22/02-24/02 P40/AI2N: Aruba Island WLOTA:0033 QSL homecall (d)

22/02-24/02 P40/WJ2O: Aruba Island WLOTA:0033 QSL homecall (d)

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Resident 3B8FA 1765

5. - 25. February 3B8GY 1765

14.-21.February 3B9/OE4AAC 1766

22.February-11.March 3C6A.. 1766/1767 *

21. - 29. February 3DA0PW 1767 *

18./19. February 3V8SS 1767 *

unknown 4J29RA.. 1758

12December-10March 4S7KKG 1757

23January-17February 4U1WRC 1764

unknown 4W0VB 1763

unknown 4W0VB/p 1766

01January-30June 5P12EU 1760

5. - 17. February 5V7V 1766

until 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753

until April 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674

until 22. February 6V7S 1767 *

18./19. February 6Y2T 1767 *

31. March 8N1JARL.. 1762

until 31. March 2012 8J1ING 1751

until 31. March 8J1YMS 1764

- 30.September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751

10December-05March 8J6HAM 1757

until 28. February 8J9LITE 1764

- 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742

long term 9N1FE 1740

14. - 22. February 8P9VX.. 1766

soon 9Q1EK 1669

- October2014 9V1RM 1751

11. - 15. February A52JF 1766

- September 2013 A52SV 1752

13. - 20. February C6APG.. 1766

13. - 22. February C6ABB 1766

18./19. February C6ANM 1767 *

13.-20. February C6APG.. 1766

18. - 20. February CE1TBN/7 1767 *

- April CE2/CX1EK 1762

- March 2012 CE9VPM 1752

18./19. February CO6LP 1767 *

18./19. February -/+ CR3A.. 1767 *

18./19. February CR3L 1767 *

10. - 12. February CS4ODX/p 1766

14. - 22. February CT8/DL2UX 1767 *

18./19. February CT9/OM7JG 1767 *

20January-13February CU8AS.. 1763

- 8. July 2012 D2QV 1750

- April 2012? D2SG 1748

2012? DL0SLITISA 1764

01January-31December DL1630Y 1760

01January-31December DM100MGY 1763

01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763

until 31. December DM800ANH 1767 *

- February 2013 DP0GVN 1756

- 31. December DQ125HSB 1763

9. - 27. February E51BKV.. 1766

13.-21.(25?)February E51NJB 1766

- March 2012 EA1CYK/p 1759

18./19. February EF8USA 1767 *

16. - 20. February EG3INT/7 1767 *

1January-31December EI80IRTS 1763

1December-28February EM0BSCC/mm 1756

until 29. February EM80UKO.. 1767 *

9February-13March FG/F6ITD 1766

- 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747

unknown FK/9A4DU 1763

3. - 20. February FM/R5GA.. 1766

10. - 20. February FP/W6HGF 1766

22January-10February FR/F8APV 1763

- July 2012 FR8NE 1710

24January-23February FW0R.. 1763/1765

until 31. December GB50WVR 1767 *

2012 GB80PW 1762

11. - 24. February H40FN.. 1766

7. - 28. February H44XB 1766

unknown HA100CGCDH 1762

September2012 - 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745

16January-26March HK3JCL 1762

now HL2/KC6STQ 1746

2.February - 6.May HR5/F2JD 1764

29January-10February HU2DX 1764

until April HS0ZIQ 1765

- 14. February HS0ZJF/8 1765

- late 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755

- February 2012 II0MZ 1755

1January-31December II6LN 1763

- spring 2012 J28FJ 1739

- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680

- July 2012 J28RO 1683

- July 2013 J28UC 1734

1. - 9. February J3/W6HFP.. 1765

8.February-7.March J38A.. 1766

8.February-8.March J38RF 1766

15.February-14.March J88DR 1767 *

- 15th April JG8NQJ/JD1 1762

13.-19. February K7UGA 1766

- April 2012 KC4AAC 1757

- 2013 KG4AJ 1756

18. - 25. February KG4AS 1765

4. - 18. February KG4KL 1765

25February -3.March KG4OS 1765

25February -10March KG4SS 1765

6. - 23. February KG4WV 1765

12.-16.February KH0/JA4JWD 1766

16. - 21. February KH0WJ 1767 *

- June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680

- May 2012 KH4/W5FJG 1728

postponed 2012 KH5 1674/1705/1741

18./19. February KP2MM 1767 *

18./19. February LX7I 1767 *

vis 29. February LY16W 1767 *

15. - 21. February LZ1UQ.. 1767 *

18./19. February M5E 1767 *

- March 2012 OA/OE3NHW 1749

2. - 15. February OE3GEA/6Y5 1765

18./19. February OH0Z 1767 *

1January-31December ON65BR 1763

1January-31.January ON800TUR 1763

- February 2012 OR4TN 1754

long term P29FM 1752

- March 2012 P29FR 1742

18./19. February P49Y 1767 *

21January-17March PJ2/AA9A.. 1763

- March/April 2012 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753

18./19. February -/+ PJ4X.. 1767 *

11. - 17. February PJ7/AK4GP 1767 *

16. - 21. February PZ5RO 1767 *

- mid March RI1ANA 1762

- early 2013 RI1ANF 1765

- September 2012 RI1FJA 1741

- September 2012 RI1FJM 1741

unknown SN2012WW.. 1763

now ST2AR 1745

unknown SU9VB 1754

unknown SX1912 1763

- April 2012 T6BP 1746

- 13. June T6JM 1764

- mid February T6KK 1764

- June 2012 T6MO 1733/1767 *

17. - 21. February T88KF 1767 *

10. - 20. February T88ZO.. 1766

18./19. February TF3CW 1767 *

7February-27March TG8/W0OR 1767 *

unknown TL8ES 1755

- 31. December TM70TRS 1763

- July 2012 TN9SN 1755

now TR0A/p 1760

13. - 22. February V25AA.. 1766

February 2012 V25DH 1765

4. - 26. February V31RU.. 1765

16. - 25. February V31RR 1767 *

11. - 20. February V31SG 1766

- 26. February V31YN.. 1763

8.February-28.March V47JA.. 1766

Resident V63YWR 1765

- November 2014 V73NS 1604/1668/1752

now VK0TH 1748/1763/1764

15. - 22. February VP5OU.. 1767 *

unknown VP8DFR 1764

- February 2012 VP8DMH 1757

18./19. February VP9/W6PH 1767 *

- July 2012 VQ9JC 1755

- March VU3BPZ.. 1762

18./19. February WP3C 1767 *

- May 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730

until 1. April XE3/K5ENS 1767 *

unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763

16. - 25. February XU7AFU 1765

unknown XV9DX.. 1756

unknown XW3DT 1766

18./19. February XW4XR 1767 *

3. - 28. February ZD8Z.. 1767 *

18./19. February ZF2AM 1767 *

3. - 17. February ZK2C 1765

- spring 2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749

- February ZY78AA.. 1765

* = new or updated

.. = and other calls

QSL information

3DA0PW via G3SWH (B), (L)

3V8SS via LX1NO (B), (L)

5C2P via IK2PZC

6V7S via RK4FF

6Y2T via VE3DZ (B)

9A201CTL via 9A1CTL

AB0IH/KH2 via JI3BAP

AD7UV/VK3 via JA8DKJ (B), (L)

AO1POL via EA1GHT (B)

AO5ANT via EA5FL (B)

AU2LOH via VU3SYB (d)

C6ANM via WA2IYO (d), (L)

CE1TBN/7 via CE1TBN

CO6LP via EA5GL (d)

CR3A via CT3EE (d)

CR3L via DJ6QT (B)

CT8/DL2UX via DL2UX (B)

CT9/GW0ANA via GW0ANA (B)

CT9/OM3RM via OM3RM (B)

CT9/OM7JG via OM7JG (B)

D2EB via IZ3ETU (d)

DM800ANH via (B)

DR650BAR via DL9SUE (B)

DR800PORT via (B)

EA5URO via EA5HOX

EA8/OH6MKL via OH6MKL (B)

ED9NA via EA9GW (B)

EF8USA via (L)

EG1SPA via EG1GIB

EG3INT/7 via EA5KA (B)

EH3FCM via EA3HP (B), (L)

EM80UKO via UR7UC (B)

EM80UU via US7UU

EM0UBC via UR4UXD

EO0UD via UR7UT

FR5FC via EA7FTR

GB50WVR via 2E1HQY (B)

GB0ANT via M0OXO (B)

GX4BJC/A via G6XOU (B), eQSL

HB9/ON4TO via ON4TO (B), (L)

HB9ICE via HB9BHY (B)

HI3DX via EB7DX (d)

HI0UD via ON4IQ (B)

II1MNA via I1UP

II2ANT via I2JJR (B)

II3MNA via IQ3TS

II5ANT via IZ5BTC (B)

II7ANT via IZ7AUH (B)

II0WAP via IZ0PSA

IO5ANT via IW5EFX

IP2ANT via IK2QPR (B)

IP8AAW via IK8FIQ

IQ5RR via IW5EID (B), eQSL

IR1AN via I1HYW (d)

IR1SP via IK1NEG

IR7ANT via IZ7AUH (B)

IR0ANT via IZ0EGC (B)

IU2ANT via IK2QPR (B)

IX1/IW1CAB via IX1/IW1CAB (B)

J88DR via G3TBK (B)

JW/LZ1UQ via LZ1UQ (B)

JW/LZ2HM via LZ2HM (B)

K4K via K4MZU

KG4KL via KN4KL (L)

KH6/VE7AHA via KH6/VE7AHA

KH0WJ via JS3LSQ (B)

K0ANT via KB0MZF

KP2/KZ5D via KZ5D

KP2MM via (L)

LX/DL8DXL/p via DL8DXL (B)

LX7I via LX2A (B)

LY10ANT via LY3BY (B)

LY16W via (B), (L), LY5W (d)

M5E via G0CKV

NP4Z via N4AO (d)

OE1KIDS via OE1XIC (B)

OE3AIS/AAW via OE3AIS

OE3KKA/AAW via OE3KKA

OE3RPB/AAW via OE3RPB

OE3SGA/AAW via OE3SGA (B)

OE3WWB/AAW via OE3WWB

OH0X via OH2TA (B)

OH0Z via W0MM (B)

ON100TT via ON4EKO (B)

P49Y via AE6Y (d), (L)

PA63PSK via PA2LP (B)

PA6ANT via PA3FOE

PC12ANT via PA0RDY (B)

PI6V via PI4EDE (B)

PJ4/K1XX via K1XX

PJ4/N4RR via N4RR

PJ4/W1MD via W1MD (d), (L)

PJ4X via W1MD (d), (L)

PJ7/AK4GP via (L)

PX7C via PY7CRA

PZ5RO via AI2N

RA/SM6LRR via SM6LRR (B)

S540DKR via S59DKR (B)

SN51SDA via SP7PSW (B)

SN51SEW via SP7SEW (B)

ST2AR via S53R (d)

T6MO via K9GY (B), (L)

T88KF via JA9APS (B), (L)

T88ZT via JA3HZT (B)

TB2ZHI via HA5OJ (B), eQSL

TF3CW via LX1NO (d)

TG8/W0OR via W0OR (d)

TM9AAW via F8DVD (B)

TM9WAP via F8DHE (B)

V31RR via AI4U (d), (L)

V85/9M8Z via M0URX (B)

VA3WAP via VA3NQ

VA7AAW via VE7IG (B)

VB3A via VA3ITA

VK8/OZ1AA via OZ1ACB (B)

VP5/K7AR via K7AR (B)

VP5/N7OU via N7OU (B)

VP5/NE7D via NE7D

VP5/W7YAQ via W7YAQ (B)

VP5OU via N7OU (d), (L)

VP9/W6PH via W6PH (d)

W6IB/VK3 via JA8EFI (B)

WK3N/AAW via WK3N

WP3C via W3HNK (d)

XE3/K5ENS via K5ENS (d)

XV3AA via JA6UHG (B)

YV5RNE via YV5AJ (B)

ZW78AA via PY2AA (B)

4K6/JR0HYT via JR0HYT (B)

S50BQ via SM7BHM (B)

9Y4NW via EB7DX (d)

XW4XR via E21EIC (B)

YQ0ANT via YO2LIW

ZD8R via N6ND (B)

ZD8Z via AI4U (d), (L)

ZF2AM via K6AM (B), (L)

(d) = only direct

(B) = bureau ok

(*) = new QSL manager

(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)

QSLs arrived direct: HZ1FI (via DL2RMC).

QSLs arrived via LotW: S07L.

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:

http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

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158. The ARRL Contest Update for February 15, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-15 06:22:43 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120215044001.35A8E24159@bmail.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

In the ARRL DX contests, DX stations must work the US and Canada - so
grab your key and load up on DX contacts! You can also get another dose
of digital contesting in the North American QSO Party sponsored by NCJ
magazine <http://www.ncjweb.com/> or even try phone on 160 meters in
the CQ WW 160 Meter SSB weekend.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

No slip-ups noted in the previous issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Feb 18-19

- ARRL Int'l CW DX Contest
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Feb 15)
- Semi-Automatic Key Evening (Feb 15)
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- Russian WW PSK Contest (Feb 17)
- Feld-Hell Annual WAS Sprint
- AM QSO Party
- Run For the Bacon--CW

Feb 25-26

- North American QSO Party--Digital
- CQ WW 160 Meter SSB (Feb 24)
- REF Contest--SSB
- UBA Contest--CW
- Mississippi QSO Party
- North Carolina QSO Party
- CQC Winter QSO Party

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

On February 6, Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) issued a statement on their web site that the Ontario Section would be split into four new RAC Administrative Sections, effective September 1, 2012. The reason given for the restructure was "...to create a management model that better communicates with, and represents the interests of, the overall Ontario Amateur population." The Ontario Section will be dissolved and be replaced with four new RAC Sections: Ontario North, Ontario South, Ontario East, and the Greater Toronto Area. The new section abbreviations will be announced when final. For ARRL contests that use ARRL/RAC sections as multipliers - the November Sweepstakes, and 160 Meter Contest - there will be an overall increase of three available multipliers. ARRL contests that use US states and Canadian provinces as multipliers - the RTTY Roundup, ARRL DX Contest and the ARRL 10 Meter Contest - are unaffected by this change. ARRL VHF+ contests and the IARU HF Championships are also unaffected by this change. The first contest to be affected by the RAC administrative change will be the 2012 ARRL November Sweepstakes, which will now require 83 multipliers to achieve a Clean Sweep. ARRL Field Day does not use multipliers, but Ontario stations will send new section abbreviations as part of their exchanges. News of the administrative change can be read on the RAC website <http://www.rac.ca/en/news/bulletins/2012/7/> and there is more in this ARRL website report <http://www.arrl.org/news/rac-to-split-ontario-into-four-sections>. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The ARRL Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup/> rules have changed to create a Multioperator category and a team competition of up to five Single-operator Rookies. A number of clubs have asked for these changes to help "Elmer" new HF operators. In addition, recognizing the lack of interest in 6 meters for this contest, that band has been dropped. Watch for more information in the April issue of QST.

Amateurs have a new MF (Medium Frequency) allocation from 472-479 kHz as a result of the WRC-12 World Radio Conference (WRC)

<http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-gets-secondary-mf-allocation-at-wrc-12>
in Geneva, Switzerland. Don't start purchasing surplus broadcast towers
just yet - the allocation doesn't take effect until 1 Jan 2013 and the
FCC has to incorporate it into the Part 97 rules. Hams will be a
secondary allocation and able to use from 1 to 5 watts EIRP depending
on location and what is approved by their country's telecommunication
authority. (Thanks, Tom K1KI)

Tony WA8RJF invites weak signal VHF, UHF and microwave enthusiasts to
the 17th VHF Weak Signal Group banquet to be held on Friday evening
May18th, 2012 at the Dayton Grand Hotel (Formerly the Doubletree Dayton
Downtown Hotel) at 11 South Ludlow Street, Dayton, OH 45402.
Reservations are required at $35 per person. For more information you
can contact Tony by email <WA8RJF@ARRL.net>.

EDN magazine asked the engineering profession, "Why did you become an
engineer?
<http://www.edn.com/blog/Voice_of_the_Engineer/41598-5_Engineers_Why_did_you_become_an_engineer_.php?cid=NL_UBM+Electronics>"
The responses are wide-ranging and interesting, some funny, some
thoughtful. One might see parallels to the question, "Why did you
become a ham?"

Here's a great resource for planning your contest weekend and tracking
down the "who's who?". Bill NG3K <http://www.ng3k.com/> has been
tracking upcoming contest expeditions and provides many other resources
on his "one-stop-shop" website.

Field Day planning is under way across the land and the bonus points
for a satellite contact are often on the list of things to do. This
year will present more challenges because of the final shutdown of
AO-51 and gradual degradation of several other smaller satellites. From
the AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> ANS-036 bulletin comes word that,
"The congestion on FM LEO satellites was so intense in prior years that
we must continue to limit their use to one-QSO-per-FM-satellite. This
includes the International Space Station. You will be allowed one QSO
if the ISS is operating Voice. You will also be allowed one digital QSO
with the ISS or any other digital, non-store-and-forward, packet
satellite (if operational)." AMSAT goes on to recommend using the
linear transponders on lesser-populated birds such as VUSat
OSCAR-52,Fuji-OSCAR 29 (which may or may not be operational), and even
the venerable AMSAT-OSCAR 7.

How do you type symbols like 0 in Microsoft Word? If you happen to know
the character's four-digit numeric code, you can use the ALT key to
enter it directly. Otherwise, use the Alt-i "Insert" menu. With the
cursor at the point where you want the symbol, type Alt-I, then type s
for symbol. A symbol entry window will appear. You can find most of the
interesting symbols hams need by selecting the Symbol font and
scrolling up and down.

This has been an exceedingly rare occurrence - three newsletters during the same month and that month being February!

Gary W5ZL and Jerry W5AE both joined the list of Silent Keys this past week. Gary was the President of the Central Texas DX and Contest Club and a frequently heard call in contests. He also served as a referee for the WRTC-2010 competition in Moscow. Jerry was a founder of Communications Specialists and Decibel Products - both household names in Amateur Radio. He was honored for his service and leadership in the wireless industry at last year's Radio Club of America meeting. (Thanks, Marv N5AW and Tim K3LR)

Web Site of the Week - ARRL PR Manager, Allen W1AGP spotted an excellent history of early Amateur Radio <http://tinyurl.com/7qkbx75> by Mark W0BG. Has it really been 100 years?

WORD TO THE WISE

Hams put up antennas but insects have antennae. Just thought you'd like to know!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

What will the solar future bring? Now that we can see nearly all of the Sun's surface thanks to the NASA STEREO <http://stereo.gsfc.nasa.gov/> solar monitoring satellites, we can look at what's "comin' around the bend". If the sunspots headed our way pump a little UV into the ionosphere, conditions could be pretty good for the ARRL DX CW contest this weekend!

Be sure to post a few photos of your ARRL DX CW operations on the ARRL Soapbox <http://www.arrl.org/soapbox> web page! It's a great way to let everybody else know how much fun you had and the writeup authors always appreciate the material. If you have a really good story - contact ARRL DX CW writeup author Nate N4YDU <n4ydu@yahoo.com>.

Wow - here's a thorough history of a BIG antenna - the Wahiawa CDAA <http://www.navy-radio.com/rcvrs/frd10/frd10-hawaii.pdf> (Circularly Disposed Antenna Array). The downloadable paper includes the context of this antenna in the broader HF DF community, too. A photograph of the array is on Google Maps, enter 21.52228 N, 158.01135 W in the Google Maps <maps.google.com> search box - no, that's not a crop circle! (Thanks, Frank W3LPL)

Another big antenna lived in Christmas Valley, Oregon not far from the QTH of Lee K7TJR. A "woodpecker" over-the-horizon (OTH) radar <http://www.k7tjr.com/lees_radio_page.htm>, as Lee says, "at 1 megawatt transmit power I am glad they
did not operate this one near here." I guess so!

Operating from a rural site in the CQ WW 160 contests makes for low noise but a cold shack. Take a look at the Field Day-style operation <http://ok5z.rajce.idnes.cz/CQ_WW_160M_CW_2012> in January's CW contest by Ludek OK2ZC and friends as OK5Z!

Here's another monster tower
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hillsboro_wireless_tower> and one of the
earliest remote station installations. It was located near Hillsboro,
Oregon and one of the largest towers in its day, second only to the
Eiffel Tower in Paris. The station broadcast programming sent over a
special link from Portland, OR. (Thanks, Keven K7ZS)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The ARRL Contest Branch welcomes Kevin W9GKA as the results author for
the January ARRL VHF Sweepstakes. We are fortunate to have Kevin's
experience as a VHF+ focused on the writeups. Kevin is collecting
anecdotes and photos for the article - post yours on the ARRL soapbox
<http://www.arrl.org/soapbox> page today!

IOTA Contest Manager, Don G3XTT writes, "I am pleased to announce that
the final results of the 2011 IOTA Contest now appear online
<http://www.iotacontest.com/contest/iota/2011/finalScore.php>. You will
find Soapbox, Photographs, etc. via the results page. A list of trophy
winners will be published shortly. Trophies are normally awarded at the
RSGB Convention (October) and, for those not able to attend, mailed
after that. We are planning some rule changes for the 2012 contest to
bring the emphasis back to working island stations. Once we have
finalised the rules they will be posted on the RSGB Contest Committee
website <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>."

WRTC-2014 standings are now updated to include the official results
from IARU HF 2011. The standings show a number of new leaders in their
Selection Areas! Updated Excel spreadsheets for each Selection Area are
posted <http://www.wrtc2014.org/competitors/qualification-standings/>
online. There is a calendar of qualifying events on the WRTC-2014
website
<http://www.wrtc2014.org/competitors/team-selection/qualifying-event-calendar/>.
Updates will continue to appear periodically as various contest results
are made public. (Thanks, WRTC-2014 Team Selection Director, Dan K1TO)

Lots of BIG scores were posted in the CQ WPX RTTY contest last weekend.
With activity up and conditions improving, records were falling like
tenpins! And receivers were crunching like granola! RTTY contests used
to be low-key (so to speak) affairs with plenty of elbow room - no
longer. Certainly, some expectations will have to adjust but let's also
use the tools we have at our disposal. Tighter DSP filtering, moving
out of the 080-100 region of the bands, making sure we are not
overmodulating and splattering, and using the many receiver gain
controls - all are great techniques to "drive in traffic."

OPERATING TIP

"What a difference a year makes....!
What a difference a mild winter makes...!
What a difference a rotor makes....!
What a difference adding a new band makes....!
A difference from 5460 pts to 28,764 pts!"

- Joe, KC2TN in the Mount Airy VHF Radio Club
<http://www.packratvhf.com/> "Cheese Bits" newsletter

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

EDN magazine for 2 Feb 2012
<http://www.edn.com/archive/2012/20120202.php> had a very interesting
project with applications in the contester's shack. "Implement an
Audio-Frequency Tilt-Equalizer Filter" by Francesco Balena also
referenced "Designing A Pocket Equalizer For Headphone Listening
<http://gilmore2.chem.northwestern.edu/projects/showfile.php?file=equal_prj.htm>"
by Chu Moy. Both could be put to use on headphone audio out of a
contest radio, particularly to compensate for hearing loss or frequency
roll-off.

Math fans will want to check out the Math Monday column by George Hart
on the Make magazine website
<http://blog.makezine.com/tag/MathMonday/>. There are 100 columns with
all sorts of interesting and often visually arresting projects. Check
out the ball of binder clips, for example!

If you aren't getting the ARRL Propagation Bulletin by Tad K7RA,
there is a lot more to it than just solar indices. Tad spices up the
discussion with background on solar events, stories from readers, and
great links to online resources. Log into the ARRL web site
<http://www.arrl.org> and click "Edit Your Profile" - you'll find the
bulletin on the "Edit Email Subscriptions" tab.

Given the amount of paper ham shacks and workbenches tend to attract,
this do-it-yourself design from the Instructables web site that
combines paper storage with shelf space
<http://www.instructables.com/id/IKEA-Hack-Mail-Rack/> should be
attractive to many readers.

There is lots of interest in the "spray-on antenna
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=4efE_gO9lFo>"
recently demonstrated in this "Solve for X" video. Somehow, I don't see
this stuff winning the big contests but for putting patch antennas
here, there, and everywhere - it has potential! (Thanks, Scott N7SS)

Bob W9KNI wrote in with a positive review
<http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/10204> of a very useful tool - this
time a cable cutter
<http://www.harborfreight.com/10-inch-cable-cutter-40507.html> from
Harbor Freight. This cutter is cheap and does an super job cutting
RG-213 or the like to prepare for installing a PL-259 - clean as a
whistle and no deformation of the cable.

How are we doin' on that solar cycle? This graph of sunspot indices
<http://sidc.oma.be/html/wolfjmms.html> shows long- and short-term
variations in the cycle. It looks like a lot of up-and-down, which is
typical of a cycle starting out. (Thanks, Mike W4EF)

Every ham needs these ten "electro-commandments <http://www.eng.auburn.edu/%7Etroppel/tencom.html>" in the shack! (Thanks, Bill N2BC)

Technical Web Site of the Week - The website Amanogawa <http://www.amanogawa.com/> has many nice online electromagnetic engineering Java applets that open in separate windows for circuits, antennas, transmission lines, EMC/EMI, and a very interesting Smith Chart tutorial <http://www.amanogawa.com/archive/docs/G-tutorial.pdf>.

==> CONVERSATION

Something Old

I was poking around in my toolbox and junk box and rooting through parts bins recently when I came across a little box marked "Crystals". Oh yeah, I recalled - I had picked these up from various hamfests and whatnot when one caught my eye. My rack of crystals from my Novice days was long gone but I'd never gotten over that feeling of plugging in an FT-243 and pounding some brass, seeing the needles jump, and just maybe hearing my call come back over the headphones.

Having several crystals was important if you wanted to call a station that might be several kHz away and not make them tune the whole band to find your 3-by-3-by-3 plea for attention. Of course, with the broad-as-the-side-of-a-barn receivers most of us used in those days, being a little off frequency wasn't the handicap it is today...you just had to squint!

I enjoy holding a crystal now - if it happens to be on a useful frequency, so much the better, but that's not the story. The point is the feel of it and the way it was manufactured and used. Those old crystals - from JAN, Texas Crystals, International Crystal, and many, many other companies from the back pages of QST - were hand-assembled and had attractive logos and text engraved into the crystal holders. Each one was an advertisement for the manufacturer and many were miniature works of art in their own right. Some were even hand-labeled as the Bliley crystal in the photo.

Everybody ought to have one little thing from 'back then' - maybe a tube or a key or a meter or an insulator. Hold it in your hand and think about how many different meanings that artifact has had throughout its history. At first, it might have been cutting-edge technology, then a more ordinary commodity, finally to be dropped into a junk box as obsolete. Someday, someone like me spies and buys it for a pittance - like a lucky radio buckeye, polished and rounded and comfortable in my pocket or drawer.

If the item Is truly fortunate, its new owner may go home and put it on the air once again. I am reminded of many childhood stories of forgotten toys that were rescued from an attic or basement to find new purpose. I have a soft spot for crystals, obviously, but you might find a tool or connector equally evocative. "Old" is subjective - perhaps all we mean is just "from a period preceding mine". These visitors from

era gone by help connect us to the traditions of radio. Like grandparents, they connect us to history and might be no farther away than the next hamfest or swap meet, in a little box marked "Crystals".

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

15 February through 28 February

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL International CW DX Contest--CW, from Feb 18, 0000Z to Feb 19, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, state/province or power. Logs due: Mar 21. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

North American QSO Party--Digital, from Feb 25, 1800Z to Feb 26, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Feb 15, 0130Z to Feb 15, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

Semi-Automatic Key Evening--CW, from Feb 15, 1900Z to Feb 15, 2030Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RST, serial, first year of bug use. Logs due: Mar 15. Rules <http://www.agcw.de/>

Russian WW PSK Contest--Digital, from Feb 17, 2100Z to Feb 18, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and oblast code or serial. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/384.html>

Feld-Hell Annual WAS Sprint--Digital, from Feb 18, 2000Z to Feb 18, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

AM QSO Party--Phone, from Feb 18, 2300Z to Feb 19, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RS, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Feb 19, 0200Z to Feb 19, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

CQ WW 160 Meter SSB--Phone, from Feb 24, 2200Z to Feb 26, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and state/province or CQ zone. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.cq160.com/>

REF Contest--Phone,CW, from Feb 25, 0600Z to Feb 26, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS and French dept or serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ref-union.org/>

UBA Contest--CW, from Feb 25, 1300Z to Feb 26, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS, serial, and ON province. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules>

North Carolina QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Feb 26, 1700Z to Feb 27, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW 3.54,3.74,7.04,7.14,14.04,21.04,21.14,28.04,28.14, Phone 3.86,7.26,14.26,21.36,28.36. Exchange: RS(T) and NC county or S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 1. Rules <http://www.w4nc.com/>

CQC Winter QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Feb 27, 0100Z to Feb 27, 0259Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 3.560, 7.040, 14.060. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, name, CQC nr or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cqc.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Mississippi QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Feb 25, 1500Z to Feb 26, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50-432, Frequencies: CW 3.545,7.045,14.045,21.045, 28.045;Phone 3.857-862-867,7.238,14.275,21.375,28.375;VHF 50.13,144.22,146.55,446. Exchange: RS(T) and MS county or S/P/C. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.arrlmiss.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

15 February through 28 February

- February 15 - Midwinter Contest
<http://midwintercontest.veron.nl/contest_mw_eng.htm>
- February 18 - Asia-Pacific Spring Sprint, CW
<http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>
- February 18 - WAB 1.8 MHz Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>
- February 18 - North American Sprint, SSB
<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>
- February 19 - SKCC Weekend Sprint
<http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/wes/index-wes.php>
- February 19 - SARL Field Day Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- February 20 - 10-10 Int. Winter Contest, SSB
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSO%20Party%20Rules.pdf>
- February 21 - Hungarian DX Contest
<http://www.ha-dx.com/HADX/html/rules_en.html>
- February 22 - ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
<http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf-sweepstakes>
- February 27 - Hunting Lions in the Air Contest
<http://lionshuntingintheair.lionwap.org/>
- February 28 - CQ 160-Meter Contest, CW
<http://cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_ww_160_meter_contest/cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules/2012_cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules.pdf>

- February 28 - REF Contest, CW
<http://concours.ref-union.org/reglements/actuels/reg_cdfhf_fr.pdf>
- February 28 - AGCW Straight Key Party
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Straight_Key_Party_%28HTP%29>
- February 28 - RSGB 1st 1.8 MHz Contest
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r1st-160m-2012.shtml>

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159. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-010E - Good News from WRC12 =96 A New Band at 600 metres.

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From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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2012-02-14

At its Plenary meeting held 14 February 2012 in Geneva the World Radiocommunication Conference approved a new secondary frequency allocation to the Amateur Radio Service at 472 to 479 kHz. Having passed First and Second Readings it is normally a formality that this change be included in the WRC-12 Final Acts when the Conference concludes February 17th. The Table of Frequency Allocations would then be amended accordingly.

The new band at 600 metres will represent the return of amateurs to the medium waves - an area of spectrum we have not had access to since the earliest days of radio regulation.

As a secondary user, amateur radio shares 472 - 479 kHz with the Maritime Mobile Service who are the primary user in all three ITU Regions and with the Aeronautical Radionavigation Service who are a Secondary user except as noted in the following.

The new allocation to the amateur service is accompanied by several footnotes including, i) a number of countries will identify their intent to elevate the status of their Aeronautical Radionavigation Service to Primary as a step in ensuring protection from secondary users, and ii) the power which radio amateurs may use in 472 to 479 kHz will be limited to 5 watts (e.i.r.p.) except for amateur stations within 800 km of the borders of a number of countries - principally Russia, many of the former Soviet bloc and the Arab states. For those affected amateurs the limit will be 1 watt.

It is, of course, up to individual administrations to authorize use of the band by their amateurs. In the case of Canada, it seems certain that such authorization will be forthcoming; however, the process which has to be followed may take some time.

Canadian radio amateurs have played a central role in arriving at this successful outcome. The documents submitted through the ITU in support of this allocation were largely authored by Canadian amateurs - as was the important work done in assessing the efficiency of the antennas radio amateurs would likely use. Canadian amateurs have been present at ITU meetings in Geneva since 2009 to advance the cause of this allocation. Our regulator, Industry Canada, has been outstanding in their support of our work and in ensuring today's success. Finally,

our colleagues in the IARU, ARRL, RSGB, and DARC have all played major
roles.

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==> TWISTERS PROMPT ARKANSAS SKYWARN RESPONSE

Arkansas SKYWARN was activated by the National Weather Service's Little Rock Forecast Office on the afternoon of Sunday, January 22, at 4:30 PM. The day began with areas of dense fog and drizzle and at 6 AM temperatures were mostly in the 30s to lower 40s. The forecast had been calling for a severe weather setup later in the day, but many residents were curious as to how such an event would be possible given the daylong conditions.

Around 4 PM the fog began to lift and temperatures quickly rose as storms began to form in the central part of the state. Around the same time Arkansas SKYWARN Program Coordinator Danny Straessle, KE5WLR, received a call from the Little Rock Forecast Office and Arkansas SKYWARN was activated. Straessle is responsible for scheduling net control operator shifts at the Little Rock office and quickly summoning a team, headed for the facility. En route, around 5:30 PM, Daryl Stout, AE5WX, brought up the Weather Watch Net, which is a pre-net for Arkansas SKYWARN. A few severe thunderstorm warnings were issued and Stout took several check-ins as certified Amateur Radio storm spotters began to deploy.

By the time the Arkansas SKYWARN net control team was in place shortly before 6:00, the first tornado warning was issued and a quick and seamless transition was made from one net to the other. At the mic were Straessle, and Shane Lee, KF5FBR, assisted by Mona Blacklaw, KM5ONA. Darkness fell as activity picked up, most of which was south and east of Little Rock in less dense populated areas of the Delta region of the state. Because of this it was extremely difficult to see storm development and dangerous to try to spot it.

Troy Singleton, N5ARK, was the most valuable player of the entire night. Singleton was raised in southeast Arkansas and knew the area like the back of his hand, which was instrumental in his safe navigation of the farm roads in the area to safely spot developing tornadic supercells. At times this was the only information coming from that area of the state and the NWS Little Rock Forecast Office was thankful to have reports come in from Singleton.

Also in the area and a little further to the east in Arkansas County were members of the Grand Prairie Amateur Radio Club. Weather reports were collected through a simplex net and relayed to club president Randy Geater, K5NDX, who in turn relayed them to Arkansas SKYWARN at the National Weather Service.

At one point a rain-wrapped tornado headed toward Geater and his crew and they took shelter in the county Sheriff's bunker for about 20 minutes. It was completely rain-wrapped and all they could see was power flash after power flash as the tornado took down high-voltage transmission lines.

The storms moved out of the Little Rock County Warning Area fast and exited the state around 10:00 PM. The Arkansas SKYWARN net was brought to a close shortly before then. In summary, almost 60 certified Amateur Radio storm spotters checked into the net. And while the storms tracked through areas of the state in counties where the Amateur Radio population is practically nil, those from neighboring areas stepped up to the plate and provided a public service when it was needed most. The following day a damage assessment team from the NWS rated at least one of the several tornadoes as an EF2.

The Arkansas SKYWARN net is streamed live <http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?feedId=5167> on a RadioReference feed provided by the Central Arkansas Radio Emergency Net (CAREN) Club. Accounts of the role Amateur Radio played during this severe weather event were chronicled on the Arkansas SKYWARN Facebook Fan Page <https://www.facebook.com/arkskywarn>. Although there are numerous social media sites in the state covering weather, Arkansas SKYWARN <http://www.arkskywarn.org/> takes an approach that not only serves Amateur Radio operators but exists to educate the general public about the role we play in saving lives and property. -- - Danny Straessle, KE5WLR, Arkansas Section PIO; Central District Emergency Coordinator; Arkansas SKYWARN Program Coordinator

==> ECAC REPORTS PROGRESS ON ARES, NTS STUDIES

Last June, the ARRL Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) was tasked with recommending improvements to ARES® and NTS so that the amateur service can better serve the public in providing emergency communications. Specific topics included: ARES and NTS objectives and organizational structures; integration of ARES and NTS; training, certification, and credentialing; and relationships with served agencies. Chairman Dale Williams, WA8EFK, former Michigan Section Manager and new Vice Director of the Great Lakes Division, reported to the ARRL Board of Directors last month.

Williams reported that to "develop a solid foundation of where both the ARES and NTS stand in the minds of today's field leadership, the ECAC designed two field surveys. Included in the ARES survey were all Section Managers and Section Emergency Coordinators. The NTS survey included the NTS leadership, TCC Staff and Region Net Managers plus SMs and their Section Traffic Managers. Multiple detailed questions relating to all four of the above major tasks were included in the surveys."

ECAC members are now carefully reviewing and analyzing the results, and then will develop recommendations. Williams reported that it would be premature to offer comment about potential conclusions at this point. Williams thanked the respondents for their thoughtful and candid responses.

Several respondents' comments were included in Williams' report as a sampling. From the ARES Survey: "The best emergency communications system is the one you use everyday. ARES and NTS should be highly integrated, not independent as now!"

"NIMS/ICS compatibility is urgently needed, and should be required. ARES should work from the local level up, as NIMS/ICS does. ARRL ARES could learn a lot from NIMS/ICS."

"There needs to be a standard for type acceptance of services so that when an agency calls for a 'strike team' it is the same response regardless of location. (The name 'strike team' is just an example, there could be several layers of organization, but there needs to be a standard.)"

"We need to build credibility from the top down and bottom up with government served agencies. Need more visibility in their training materials and plans. Need national ID approved by FEMA with background check and minimum training. We also need to make sure if All Else truly fails, the system is flexible enough that non-accredited operators can be used in some capacity."

"More national help to local and regional ARES organizations around the country. Questions above could also be applied to RACES. FEMA needs to kill the program and replace with ARES or a new combined ARES/RACES organization."

>From the NTS Survey: "Get the idea out that traffic is central to effective ARES action. EMCOMM is traffic. Too much distance now between interest in 'ARES' and 'Traffic'."

"NTS has a great reputation and past. I'd like to see the end to the junk messages from the few senders who do that. We've lost members due to them. In these days, it's ever more difficult to accomplish a level of participation, let alone deal with all the garbage messages. We pass them all here, but members just don't come back to the net. Also can't understand how some states can simply refuse to handle traffic from other states!"

"NTS nets and ARES/RACES are integrated in our section. More traffic of all kinds would help to exercise the system. More involvement of ARES members in day-to-day NTS operations would be very good training. Some ARES members do not understand the need for the NTS or for traffic-handling training."

Williams vacated the ECAC chairmanship on January 1 to assume the post of Great Lakes Division Vice Director. He thanked committee members for their outstanding service, and also the PSC and the Board for this opportunity to have served.

[Editor's note: We wish Dale the best of success in his new post. He served the ECAC exceptionally well during his tenure as chairman, bringing a spirit of cameraderie and a good work ethic to accomplish much, despite the sometimes diverging opinions of its members. Jim Cross, WI3N, the Section Manager of the Maryland/DC Section, has been appointed as new ECAC Chairman. -- K1CE]

==> NEW HAMPSHIRE ARES® ACADEMY TO BUILD ON SUCCESS

Planning for the second annual New Hampshire ARES ® <http://www.nh-ares.org/> Academy program is underway. Last year, the state's ARES leaders wanted to test the concept of a major ARES training program, and the response was fantastic. A full house (100 people) attended and the same number is expected for this year's academy. The program offered four courses, and all attendees took all four, 25 at a time. Courses included message handling, net control skills, introduction to NBEMS, and go-kits and personal preparedness.

This year, a basic track, an advanced track, and a series of workshops will be offered -- all in the same four classrooms and one auditorium. More courses will be introduced in future years. A big new offering will be the two-hour Emcomm Boot Camp workshop for new licensees. This resulted from discussions during the recent NH-ARES winter leadership meeting.

The opening session in the auditorium last year featured speakers from each of three key served agencies: the New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management Chief of Communications John Wynne; Red Cross's Ian Dyer; and NWS's Scott Reynolds, KC2JCB. During the day, the Director of HSEM, Chris Pope, stopped in to say hello, and this year he

has been asked to be sole keynote speaker. We also have a wrap-up session at which SM/SEC Al Shuman, K1AKS, and Dave Colter, WA1ZCN, Assistant SEC for Operations and Training, take a few minutes to give a final pep talk and hear any kudos or gripes about the program.

Colter develops a basic outline for each of the courses, then finds a qualified instructor. They work together to develop a curriculum and presentation materials. The courses are taught to the standards established by the ARECC courses and state/section ARES procedures and plans.

The use of the State Fire Academy as academy venue is free because of the fine relationship ARES enjoys with the state. Colter said "We also take the opportunity to shoot ID photos for those who need them, both during morning registration and after the closing session. After the event, they are uploaded to the Section's online database so the ECs can access them for card printing. We're just starting up with a new professional card bureau to produce very high quality plastic cards. Everyone pays for their own ($8.75) and cards are mailed directly to the member within 24 hours. No more laminating! -- Dave Colter, WA1ZCN, ASEC - Operations, Training, NH-ARES <http://www.nh-ares.org/>; and ARRL Emergency Communications Advisory Committee New England Division Representative

==> LESSONS LEARNED: OREGON ARES® SHAKE EX 2011 SOLUTIONS

The story of Oregon's major earthquake exercise SHAKE EX 2011 was covered in March QST, Public Service column. Here is more discussion on the lessons learned and options for solutions to some of the problems the exercise leaders experienced.

On April 9, 2011, one month after the disastrous Japanese earthquake and tsunamis, Oregon ARES® volunteers conducted a statewide simulated emergency test (SET) to test their readiness to respond to just such a disaster. The SHAKE EX 2011 SET was designed to test the ability of ARES® units to exchange very high volumes of written messages between the county Emergency Managers and the Oregon Emergency Management (OEM) office in the state capitol, Salem. Much of the radio traffic exchange occurred over the Oregon ARES® Digital Network (OADN), which uses Winlink HF and VHF radio systems funded by the State of Oregon following the major windstorms of 2007. In addition to State-level, statewide communications activities, many counties held their own local drills in coordination with their local Emergency Managers, medical facilities and Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT). The local drills typically included establishment of HF radio systems at remote locations using portable Field Day-style antennas. Local drills included the transmission of photographs by radio to county and state EOCs and relaying simulated damage reports between stations.

Lessons Learned

During a disaster of the scale anticipated during this SET, there will likely be an overwhelming volume of emergency written and tactical traffic being exchanged between emergency managers. At such times, it is essential that the flow of messages from ARES® radio operators to and from these officials be accurate, efficient and timely. Although the technology used by ARES® units to get the message delivered worked quite well, it soon became apparent that the flood of messages being received at many EOCs simply overwhelmed anyone's ability to methodically log, manage and distribute them. Several options have been proposed to deal with this data management issue, and they are discussed below:

1. ARES operational procedures and training are needed to minimize the volume of unnecessary traffic generated by overuse of the "Reply All" option in the Winlink Airmail 3 software. While helpful in appropriate situations, such overuse dramatically slowed reception of other perhaps more important messages at some EOCs.

2. Efficiencies are also needed within the EOCs themselves to improve on the "print and stack" methods of dealing with message overload. Although the best way to handle this problem may be electronic distribution to the Served Agency Emergency Managers, solutions will likely vary between agencies.

3. There has been interest within Oregon Served Agencies of developing the ability to transmit damage assessment photo images using Amateur Radio. This SET was an opportunity to test operational procedures using Winlink HF Pactor peer-to-peer and VHF RMS connections for this purpose. SET instructions were to limit image size to about 10 Kb (240 x 180 resolution) to avoid excessive file transfer time. Pre-SET testing suggested that HF Pactor transmission time would vary from about 4 to 10 minutes depending on signal strengths or about 3 minutes by VHF Winlink packet to an RMS gateway. Four county EOCs successfully transmitted images via 40 meter Winlink Pactor peer to peer, demonstrating the feasibility of providing this service. Operators noted, however, that photo image transmission disrupted their handling of written traffic. In such cases, Emergency Managers may need to set message transmission priorities. Nevertheless, the ability of Oregon ARES units to transmit damage assessment photos, even low resolution images, has been of great interest to Oregon Emergency Managers.

4. Since existing antenna systems would likely be destroyed in a real event, the ability to set up portable, emergency powered stations "Field Day-style" would be mission critical. -- Vincent Van Der Hyde, K7VV, Oregon Section Emergency Coordinator, K7VV@arrl.net; John Core, KX7YT, Oregon Section ARES® SET Coordinator, KX7YT@arrl.net

==> NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE NEXT MONTH IN ORLANDO

The 2012 National Hurricane Conference, "the nation's forum for education and professional training in hurricane and disaster preparedness," will be held March 26-29 at the Hilton Orlando, Florida. A robust Amateur Radio presence and forums are always on tap. The

primary goal of the National Hurricane Conference is to improve hurricane preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation in order to save lives and property in the United States and the tropical islands of the Caribbean and Pacific. In addition, the conference serves as a national forum for federal, state and local officials to exchange ideas and recommend new policies to improve Emergency Management. To accomplish these goals, the annual conference emphasizes:

* Lessons Learned from Hurricane Strikes.

* State of the art programs worthy of emulation.

* New ideas being tested or considered.

* Information about new or ongoing assistance programs.

* The ABC's of hurricane preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation -- in recognition of the fact that there is a continual turnover of emergency management leadership and staff.

Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, hosting ARRL Southeastern Division Director, reports that there will be several Amateur Radio activities going on during the week. "The National Hurricane Conference (NHC) leadership continues to recognize the valuable contributions of Amateur Radio and again invited us to participate with two sessions," Sarratt said. Forums are:

NHC Session #1: Monday, March 26, from 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM, the main Amateur Radio session titled, "Amateur Radio Training Sessions: Disaster Communications Before, During and After Hurricanes."

NHC Session #2: Tuesday, March 27, from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM, at the National Hurricane Conference (NHC), there will be an Amateur Radio session designed for Emergency Management agencies called "Amateur Radio Rap Session --The Emergency Manager's Hidden Resource."

On Monday, March 26, 2012 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, the ARRL Southeastern Division and the Orange County EOC will host an interactive free NHC Workshop for all ARES-interested Amateur Radio operators at the Orange County Emergency Operations Center, 6590 Amory Court, Winter Park, Florida. You will be able to meet other like-minded hams and the presenters of the Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio sessions. The agenda will be: introductions, conference presenters summarize the NHC Amateur Radio presentations, emergency communications discussion, questions & answers and door prizes.

All hams are invited at no cost to attend the National Hurricane Conference Amateur Radio sessions and Orange County EOC Workshop. For additional information:

National Hurricane Conference <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/>

http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/2012NationalHurricaneConferenceActivities.pdf

ARRL Southeastern Division <http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/>

Hurricane Conference presenters are:

Julio Ripoll, WD4R, WX4NHC Amateur Radio Assistant Coordinator, National Hurricane Center <http://www2.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/>

John McHugh, K4AG, Coordinator for Amateur Radio, National Hurricane Center, WX4NHC

Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> and ARRL SEC, Eastern Massachusetts

Mike Corey, KI1U - ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager

Greg Sarratt, W4OZK - ARRL Southeastern Division Director

Sarratt said "We encourage you to visit all the activities you can, learn more about Amateur Radio emergency communications and meet the folks doing it. Hope to see you there!"

==> ARRL DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY FOR EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS COURSE

"This course is a great starting point for anyone interested in the public service applications of digital communications technology." -- Steve Ford, WB8IMY, course author and QST Editor/ARRL Publications Manager

In this course, the student will be introduced to all the ways Amateur Radio operators are using digital technology as a valuable emergency communications tool. The topics discussed during the course include: Packet radio; APRS; Winlink 2000; IRLP; EchoLink and WIRES-II; D-STAR; APCO25; HF sound card modes; Automatic Link Establishment (ALE). The course will help answer questions such as: Can you transfer supply lists or personnel assignments between emergency operations sites? Can you get critical e-mails to the Internet if a connection goes down? Can you relay digital images of damage at specific locations? Can you track the locations of emergency personnel and display them on computer maps?

Illustrations, screenshots, Internet links and audio files are used to demonstrate transmission modes and equipment configurations. Bite-sized learning units and interactive knowledge checks make learning interesting and fun.

See supplemental material and product support for The ARRL Digital Technology for Emergency Communications Course. <http://www.arrl.org/notes/CD/DigEmComm08/> Self-study. CD-ROM, version 1.1.

==> LETTERS: MANAGEMENT OF VOLUNTEERS MODALITIES

I am the Administrative Assistant Emergency Coordinator for the Hendricks County, Indiana ARES under Ronald Burke, KB9DJA, county EC. Burke and the rest of our ARES leadership have been discussing new ways to enhance our emergency response capability. We have 40 members.

I read your article in February QST "Putting Amateur Radio in Context in the EOC," about Flagler County's volunteer auxiliary E-COMM unit. Our ARES organization does recognize the FEMA ICS/NIMS protocols. We have 15 members who have taken the ICS 100, 200, 700,and 800 courses. We also offer SKYWARN training, net control training, NTS training, as well as various other training classes/workshops throughout the year. We have a group of net control operators that runs our SKYWARN nets when severe weather approaches or when the NWS activates us.

If you could give us more insight into how your organization's program works, we may be able to start one here. Our county emergency management director supports Amateur Radio, and he may be interested in the Flagler model to enhance Amateur Radio's response capability accordingly. -- Kenneth A. Kayler, Sr., KC9SQD, Hendricks County, Indiana ARES Assistant EC

[Ken, here <http://www.flagleremergency.com/pages.php?pid=75> is a link to complete information on the Flagler Emergency Management Volunteer program, including application form and comprehensive program manual. - K1CE]

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

There has been extensive discussion on training and certification lately; for example, in the March issue of QST, Public Service column. In the February issue, an article on the contemporary EOC environment spoke briefly to the topic. The same EOC "types" or classifies its volunteers by their experience levels, and their training and certifications. Here is the matrix the emergency manager uses to select volunteers for specific duties during emergency or disaster situations. It provides some guidance to us as radio amateurs on training to take, and certifications to obtain, to make ourselves more valuable to the EOC professionals. This matrix is used by the Flagler County, Florida, emergency services department:

CertificationsType IVType IIIType IIType IIS-100 Introduction to ICS X X X XIS-200 ICS for Single Resources X X XIS-700 NIMS, An Introduction X X X XIS-800.B National Response Framework X X XIS-230 Principals of Emergency Management X X XIS-235 Emergency Planning XIS-240 Leadership and influence XIS-241 Decision Making and Problem Solving XIS-242 Effective Communications X XIS-244 Developing and Managing Volunteers X XIS-288 The Role of Volunteer Agencies X XI-300 Intermediate ICS X XI-400 Advanced ICS XI-701 NIMS Multiagency Coordination Systems XI-703 NIMS Resource Management XCERT X XHam Radio license or GMRS X XCPR X XVolunteer Experience: - Less than 6 months X - 6 Months X - 1 year X - 2 Years X

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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-02-15
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
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http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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** MMMonVHF Trophy: "Best VHF DX Expedition" of the Year 2011 **

The complete results are published om the MMMonVHF webpage:
http://mmmonvhf.de/trophy.php

The T-shirts that go with the title have been send to the winners
at thuesday and might have arrived meanwhile.

SOURCE: Jani, HA5CRX, on behalf of the team of MMMonVHF

** FUN DONGLE at 144 MHz EME **

Some of you have made good experiences with the FUN DONGLE at EME. I was
testing the dongle at my 2x 12el yagis and didnt find a real advancement
for my small station (only seen stations stronger -24 db, maybe due to
my high city noise level) - so will give it out again. If any interest,
you can obtain the FUN DONGLE (including USB cable). Price 125,- Euro
(excl. packing/transport) Please do contact me via
nw_ebw"at"MMMonVHF"dot"de - sorry only one dongle is available here...
Guido DL8EBW

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

Hello OM,
everything is ready for the J5 Guinea-Bissau DXpedition.
We finally received all the permits from the authorities in Bissau.
The calls J52EME for V-UHF and J52HF for HF are confirmed.
Two groups will operate simultaneously, with preference to the most
difficult communications, ie EME.
After much work we can announce that we'll be active on:
144 MHz with 2x8 xpol, preamplifier gift of WA2ODO, amplifier ITB
Colibrï¿½ 1kw.
432 MHz with 2 homemade LFA antennas 18 elements, yet to be found
preamplifier, amplifier ITB Colibrï¿½ 600w.
50 MHz, homemade LFA antenna 5 elements, amplifier ACOM 1000, homebuild
preamp MGF1302.
In the beginning was our intention to just operate 2m EME, but we have
received many requests for both 70cm and 6m, so we hope to please everyone.
In the first few days we'll be active on 144 MHz EME and HF, with some
jump on 6m Supertropo and ES. Then we'll pass on 430 and 50 MHz. We'll
try to satisfy everyone.
Just on arriving a group will start to create an internet connection
for the hospital, so we can use it too.
Frequencies:
144,130, 432.900 and 50.200. We'll call always in the even period.
Thanks for the help that you'll can give to our humanitarian/ham-radio
expedition.
Renato I3EJ we'll keep you informed during the DXpedition on our site:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm
and email questions to: veronadxteam@ari.verona.it

See you soon from J5 !
73 de I3LDP VeronaDXteam.

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SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

** DXCC: 4U_ITU; square JN36BF; start 2012-03-23

After both C37MS and C56EME did win the trophy MMM expedition of the
year 2011 section MS and
EME, Chris and Rene where thinking to celebrate this by doing
something back for all those voters.

We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter from the ITU building in Geneva as
4U1ITU.
4U1ITU counts as a separate entity for the DXCC award and has never
been activated in WSJT.

We will be there from March 23rd till March 25th 2012, so only 3 days!
Don't miss it.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)
If all ok we will have a small 6 meter and 70cm setup with us too.

We will be on N0UK for last minute freq change.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

73 Chris PA2CHR, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L

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SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F; square IN99; start 2012-04-07

>From April 7 to 21, 2012, the North Contentin area ARC, F6KFW,
will be active all bands and mods as TM5MGY.
This project is part of the official Commemoration activities ,
lead by the Cherbourgand neighbour cities , for the 100th anniversary
of the HMS TITANIC stopover , on April 10, 1912, a few days before
its shipwreck.
Cherbourg was usually, until the 60s, the last stopover from England
for the British lines before the Atlantic crossing to America.
Demo Amateur stations HF, VHF, SHF, operating in CW/SSB/Datas,
will be set up in the City de la Mer, in Cherbourg.,
Among the CW tools, a Titanic telegraph key copy of that used by
Harold Bride and Jack Philips in 1912 will be put in service.
The suffix of the special callsign TM5MGY has been choosed in
souvenir of " MGY" which was the TITANIC callsign, in the Marconi
ships radio system.

QSL via F6KFW, direct or bureau. Tks Jean-Yves, F8LDX

SOURCE: tnx to Maurice, F5NQL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire (PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC: FG; square: FK96; start 2012-04-12 **

FG4KH (FK96) is annouced to be QRV on 144 MHz in the period between April 12
and April 26 2012. Further details are on URL
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/

The 432 MHz expedition ended and QSL's will be send when ready.

SOURCE: Philippe, F1DUZ, to Moon-Net, Jan. 18th.

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** Mariana Islands, KH0 **

Find Naoki, JS3LSQ, operating from Saipan Island (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc. QK25UF) as KH0WJ on 80 - 10 meters, maybe 6 meters also, from February 16th through 21st. QSL via homecall.

SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1767 (Feb 15, 2012)

**St. Paul Isl., CY9 **

qrv HF and 50/144 MHz

St. Paul Island is called the Graveyard of the
Gulf and that is where an international, seasoned team of DXers will be heading to later this year. Plans are well under way for a 10-man team to activate this now wanted DXCC entity which was last on air in 2005. When you consider most needed entities (perhaps out with the Top 10) are activated every five years or so, it is now time to mount a serious effort from CY9. Most operators will be unaware that in 2010, St. Paul Island became the highest mover on DX Magazines most wanted list; from #77 to #47. Today, according to that list and ClubLog, CY9 is needed more than entities such as Tokelau (ZK3) or PY0T (Trindade & Martim Vaz). The team consists of Mike/AB5EB, Oscar/EA1DR, George/EA2TA, Christian/EA3NT, Simon/IZ7ATN, Col/MM0NDX, Bjorn/SM0MDG, Vicky/SV2KBS, Steve/VA3FM and Kevin/VE3EN. From late July to early August, IOTA Contest included, the group will be active all bands, modes (160-2m) with special attention on 6m and 160m, if propagation allows. A Web site is currently under construction and will be ready in a few short weeks where much more info can be found. The QSL Manager for the expedition is M0URX.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1049

** Guatemala, TG **

Beacon.

TG9SIX is under test as TG9ADV/B on the original
frequency 50.011.00 We also have operating TG9TEN on 28.228.3 with 5W and plan to install soon TG9TWO on 144 MHz, we will keep you posted. All of them from EK44 on a mountain side top. 73 Juan Munoz TG9AJR /11 Feb. 2012/

SOURCE: CQ Six - 50 MHz DX News #20120213

** Togo, 5V **

Qrv HF and 50 MHz

Franco, I1FQH, will once again be active from Kpalime Village in central Togo, but this time as 5V7V (last year he was 5V7DX). Activity will be between February 5-17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using a 20-10

meters Spiderbeam, and on 160-80m and 40-30m using a homebrew vertical. There was mention that he will have an emphasis on lower bands. His rig will be a K3 w/KL500 solid state amplifier and a Yaesu FT-817 for 6 meters. QSL via the LoTW (preferred) or via his home callsign, direct (w/SASE) or by the Bureau. Visit the 5V7V Web page (with an online log check) at: http://www.mdxc.org/5v7v
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Before going to print, the "DX-World.net" is reporting that Franco, I1FQH, appears to have received some equipment damaged upon arrival due to severe turbulence affecting the aircraft. Franco is now seeing if he can repair anything with the limited means available in Togo.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1048

** Bahamas, C6 **

Qrv HF and 50 MHz.

Operators George, K4IIO/GM0IIO, will be active as C6AZZ between March 1-8th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, mainly CW with some SSB. His activity will also include the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). QSL via K4IIO.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1048

** Malta, 9H **

Island of Malta qrv on HF and 50 MHz

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SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (03 - 10 February 2012)

** Swaziland, 3DA0 **

In all likelihood I will be operating from Swaziland - 3DA0 from KG53ms from 10 to 13 April 2012.

As part of my preparation for the trip I need to know which local radio amateurs needs the country and or grid square on 6 metres.

This will help me in determining what equipment I need to take.

If there is no local need, then I can concentrate my efforts on afternoon and evening TEP only.

If there is local interest I will consider operating with WSJT and higher power during the early mornings thus enabling some MS and possibly some weak

signal Tropo contacts.

We will be living and operating from horse stables, what wont we do fun ...

I can be contacted at: ZS6A@icon.co.za

Kind Regards.

Pierre ZS6A

SOURCE: Pierre, ZS6A, to ZSVHF Digest, Vol 84, Issue 6

** Belize, V3 **

Will, AA4NC, will once again be QRV from Placencia Village (WW Loc.EK56TM), Stann Creek District, Belize, from 16-26 February, 2012. He will also participate as a Single-Op/All-Band entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest (18-19 February). Outside the contest activity will be on all HF bands, CW, RTTY and SSB. He will also be monitoring 6 metres for any openings (50W; 4el wide spaced beam). QSL via AI4U.

SOURCE: [NG3K]via ICPO Bulletin (10 - 17 February 2012)

** Macau, XX9 **

A team consisting of EA5BZ, EA5CEE, EA6DD, EB5BBM, F5VLY, EA1ACP, EA5FX, EA7FTR and EB7DX will be active from Coloane Island, Macau between May 17-23, 2012.

They plan to be active from 6 to 160 meters (include WARC) in CW, SSB and RTTY with at least 3 stations simultaneously in different bands and modes.

QSL via EB7DX.

Website: http://www.adxg.org/xx9/

** DXCC: ON; Square: several; start 2012-04-14

Special event station ON100TT qrv from up april 14th

UBA Sectie ON4EKO will activate the special event station ON100TT to commemorate the Titanic Centenary between 14 April and 31 December, 2012. QRV on all HF and VHF bands, using all modes. QSL via ON4WDL, direct (with SAE + 2 green stamps) or by the Bureau.

SOURCE: [UBA HF News]

** DXCC: G; Square: IO91; start 2012-04-10

Special Event Station GR100MGY will be activated between 10-15th April, 2012

The sinking of White Star Line's RMS Titanic on 15th April 1912 sent shock-waves around the world and has touched our hearts ever since. To commemorate this tragic event, special event station GR100MGY will be activated between 10-15th April, 2012. Some fifteen operators will man two 400 watt transmitters on the eight HF bands from 3.5 to 28 MHz, using directional antennas. Only CW will be used except on the open days, 14-15th April, when SSB will help the public to understand the operation. Activity on VHF is also planned. QSL information can be found on QRZ.com. GR100MGY will be located at 0?37'18" West, 51?11'49" North, Locator IO91QE: Charterhouse, Hurtmore Road, Godalming, Surrey, GU7 2DX, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841).

SOURCE:[dx-world.net]

** 3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND **

Operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM will once
again be active from Annobon Island (AF-039) and Bioko Island (AF-010,
DXCC - Equatorial Guinea) using the callsigns 3C0E and 3C6A, respectively.

According to their Web page they arrive at Malabo, Equatorial Guinea, by the middle of February. (dates to be determined). In Malabo, they will purchase all needed provisions as there are on stores on the island of Annobon. A representative of the Ministry will also be traveling with them to Annobon. If they have free time, they will have a active station on the air on CW or SSB and RTTY using the callsign 3C6A from Malabo, Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea. Then they will travel to Annobon and be active as 3C0E. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Suggested frequencies

are:
CW - 1826.5 (*RX), 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024
SSB - 3785, 7075/7145, 14190, 18140, 21295, 24960 and 28480
RTTY - 3580, 7035, 10140, 14082, 18102, 21082, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50.104/CW and 50.145/SSB MHz
RX AS/OC 1821.5
RX EU/NA 1834.0
QSL both callsigns via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernabï¿½ Coll, P.O.Box 3097,
03080 Alicante, Spain. They are looking for sponsors for this very
expensive operation. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at:

http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

SOURCE: [OPDX] Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1047

** South Shetland, VP8/S **

Adrian EA1CYK/P is active from VP8/S

Until March 2012, Adrian EA1CYK/P is active on 6m SSB and digital modes during spare time from the Antarctic base of Gabriel de Castilla (WAP: ESP-02)

on Deception Island, South Shetland AN-010. If possible he will also try to be
active from the Juan Carlos I (WAP: ESP-01) base on Livingstone Island.
He will be qrv 06:00 AM UTC y las 14:00 PM UTC at weekends and 15:00 y 18:00 PM
UTC on working days. QSL via EA7LS.

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4110

SOURCE: tnx to EA3AKY via MMMonVHF

** Gabon, TR **

Sebastien, F4EIH will be in Gabon for at least three years starting on
1 February. He plans to operate SSB, PSK31 and JT65 on the HF and VHF
(EME and Satellite) bands.

SOURCE: F6AJA, Les Nouvelles DX via 425dxn]

** Spratly Islands, 9M0 **

Plans for the expedition to Layang Layang, Spratly Islands are developing.
A large team of operators from Malaysia, Japan and England, divided up
into three groups, is expected to be active as 9M0L indicatively between
5 and 17 April. A website is under construction at http://9m0l.legendchew.com/

SOURCE: (Sixitalia Weekly) 30 Jan. 2012

** Niue, ZK2 **

A German team consisting of Heidi DK1MA, Sid DM2AYO, Rolf DL7VEE, Jan
DL7JAN, Klaus DK1AX, J?rgen DF1AL, Heye DJ9RR, Dietmar DL2HWA and Uwe
DJ9HX plan to be active as ZK2C from the Namukulu Cottages, located in
the north-west part of the Niue Island (IOTA OC-040, WFF ZLFF-021, WLOTA
2139, WW Loc. AH51BB), from 3-17 February, 2012. They will be QRV on all
bands (160m to 6m) in CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations on air
simultaneously using 500 watt solid state amplifiers and various
antennas. QSL Bureau via DL7JAN or direct and OQRS.
Online log will be available at ClubLog. Further information and updates
on their website at: http://zk2c.hkmann.de/

SOURCE: dx-world.net via ICPO

** Ogasawara, JD1 **

JD1, OGASAWARA. Koji, JI1LET, will once again be active as JI1LET/JD1
from Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity
will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

SOURCE: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1045

** St. Kilda, GM **

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands (EU-059,
Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time, from 16-21 May, 2012.
QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

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(EU-023, MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, CQ zone 15) as 9H3PP during the CQWW WPX CW
Contest (26-27 May, 2012). Plans are for a Single-Op/Single-Band entry, either
15m or 10m. After the contest Zoli will focus on some 6m and 12m activity. QSL
via home call.

SOURCE: [ICPO] ICPO Bulletin (03 - 10 February 2012)

** United Kingdom, G **

2O12L will be the callsign of the London ham radio station
celebrating the Olympic Games and Paralympics. Based at Eltham Palace (WW Loc.
JO01AK), which is in the Borough of Greenwich, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841), one
of the six 'host boroughs' for the Games, five stations will be active
simultaneously, three on HF and two on VHF. Operation will cover the period of
the Olympics and Paralympics, and the two weeks in between (27 July to 9
September, 2012). In total they plan to make at least 60,000 contacts during the
seven week period. Visitors may view an exhibition about radio communications
and electronics, and sit down at the radio and make contact with amateur radio
operators right around the world. They are also offering 'bite-sized' talks
giving an overview of radio and its importance in the modern world. All hams who
visit the Olympics, from anywhere around the world, are encouraged to visit
2O12L. QSL via G4WNF, direct or Bureau. Please check website often, for updates
as the project progresses at: www.2o12l.com/

SOURCE: [dx-world.net]

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
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162. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-011E - RAC Office Closed Monday February 20, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-011E - RAC Office Closed Monday February 20, 2012
2012-02-15

Please be advised that the RAC Ottawa Office will be closed on Monday
February 20, 2012 as Family Day is a statutory holiday in Ontario.

Frank Greene
Office Manager

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor
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163. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 162] Special WRC Report Number Three - The AmateurRadio Service Gains A Band Near 500 kHz

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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[IARU-R2-News 162] Special WRC Report Number Three - The Amateur Radio Service Gains A Band Near 500 kHz
2012-02-15

[Editors note: Subject to approval by Industry Canada, operation on this band is not permitted in Canada at this time. Radio Amateurs of Canada will be working with Industry Canada through the Radio Advisory Board of Canada (RABC) to work out the various details on amateur usage of this band in Canada.]
472-479 kHz. The worldwide amateur radio service has a new frequency band, 472 to 479 kHz. It is a secondary allocation. There are other services in that portion of the spectrum that must not be interfered with by the amateur operation.

The aeronautical radionavigation service is a primary service in the band 415-495 kHz in the following areas: Australia, China, the French overseas communities of Region 3, Korea (Rep. of), India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea and Sri Lanka.

The aeronautical radionavigation service is a primary service in the band 435-495 kHz in the following areas: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, the Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan.

The amateurs are allowed to use the band so long as it does not cause interference to this primary service or the maritime mobile service operating in the 472-479 kHz band. There are some countries that will not allow amateur radio operation in the 472-479 kHz band. The use of the frequency band 472-479 kHz in Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belarus, China, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, the Russian Federation, Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Oman, Uzbekistan, Qatar, Syrian Arab Republic, Kyrgyzstan, Somalia, Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen is limited to the maritime mobile and aeronautical radionavigation services. The amateur service shall not be used in the above-mentioned countries in this frequency band, and this should be taken into account by the countries authorizing such use.

The ITU Radio Regulations provide that radio amateurs are limited to 1 watt (e.i.r.p.) however administrations whose territory is beyond 800 kilometers from the borders of the following countries may increase the operating power to 5 watts (e.i.r.p.): Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belarus, China, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, the Russian Federation, Iran (Islamic Republic of),

Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Mauritania,
Oman, Uzbekistan, Qatar, Syrian Arab Republic, Kyrgyzstan, Somalia,
Sudan, Tunisia, Ukraine and Yemen.

The change becomes effective with the adoption of the Final Acts of
the Conference. Of course, it will be determined by each
administration around the world as to what modes and bandwidths will
be used in this portion of the spectrum and when hams in that country
will have access to the spectrum.

More activities from the WRC-12 will be reported at the end of the
WRC. The WRC continues until 17 February. There is an effort underway
to place an amateur radio agenda item on the agenda for the next WRC
which will take place in 2015.

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Rod Stafford, W6ROD
IARU Secreta

VIA: Joaqu n Solana, XE1R - News Editor - IARU R2

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164. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 19 2012

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Weekly news from the WIA:
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 19 2012.

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THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 12 2012.

WIA PRESIDENT VK3KI REPORTS

The ITU's 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) is now winding
to a conclusion in a cold Geneva on Friday night, last Friday night by the
time this is broadcast.

The WIA has nominated and supported Dale Hughes VK1DSH as a member of the
Australian delegation to WRC-12, and Dale has been reporting on a daily basis
to the Board.

The item of particular interest to amateurs has been agenda item 1.23,
a proposal to allocate a small band around 500 kHz to the amateur service on
a secondary basis.

The process of a WRC is tortuous and confusing. A proposal to satisfy an agenda item is dealt with by a committee with working groups and sub working groups, and becomes part of the treaty after it is read a second time and approved at Plenary meetings.

Dale has reported that the Plenary meeting of WRC-12 has now approved the allocation of the band 472-479 kHz across all three ITU regions to the amateur service on a secondary basis.

The primary service in the band is maritime mobile, with aeronautical radionavigation also a secondary service, though in some countries, including Australia, it is a primary service.

The allocation is subject to a 1 watt e.i.r.p. power limit, though administrations with territory more than 800 kilometres from the borders of certain named countries may allow the higher power of 5 watts e.i.r.p in that territory.

There is also an "opt-out" footnote for countries not wishing to allow amateurs to operate in this band.

Obviously, how this will be implemented for Australia will be a matter for the Australian administration.

Given the opposition of some countries, in particular Iran, the result has been a great result for the amateur service.

There may be other matters of importance to the amateur service decided before the WRC concludes, including agenda items for future conferences.

Dale, who was also the spokesman for the Asia Pacific Telecomunity, the APT, (the regional telecommunications organisation of countries in Region 3) on the amateur agenda item, has attended two of the APT preparatory meetings for WRC 12 as well as an ITU Study Group Meeting all at the expenses of the WIA.

A number of people participating in WRC-12 have paid tribute to Dale's contribution.

The IARU and a number of national amateur societies have contributed particularly to the successful representation of the amateur service at WRC-12.

The WIA is proud to have been one of them.

And guess what?

Agenda for next WRC now includes an amateur allocation around 5 MHz

At 4.20 in the morning of 16 February 2012 the Plenary of WRC12, which had been sitting for 9 hours without a break, passed a Resolution entitled "Possible allocation to the amateur service on a secondary basis at around 5 300 kHz."

The Resolution arose from a proposal submitted by Cuba, and noted that amateur stations are regularly used for emergency communications, and also says that "an allocation of an appropriate amount of spectrum, not

necessarily contiguous, to the amateur service at around 5 300 kHz would be adequate to better satisfy its needs associated with use for providing communications in disaster situations and during relief operations".

The effect of the Resolution is to invite studies, including sharing studies, before WRC-15 and to put on the agenda for WRC 15 an item to consider, based on the results of the ITU R studies, the possibility of making an allocation of an appropriate amount of spectrum, not necessarily contiguous, to the amateur service on a secondary basis within the band 5 250-5 450 kHz.

The WIA has had a continuing interest in this part of spectrum for many years particularly in support of emergency communications. So much so, that the WIA has taken out several land mobile system licences to enable the use of such frequencies.

Accordingly, the WIA is delighted that the issue has become an agenda item for WRC-15.

Still gracing the airwaves at age 101

WIA Front Page News (wia.org.au) reports on Darcy Hancock VK5RJ who last December had been a licensed radio amateur for 84 years.

The report says:

VK5RJ Darcy Hancock has lived through the birth of television and several wars but despite the innovation of modern communication, 84 years on from receiving his transmitter's licence, his voice can still be heard over the airwaves.

ABC releases video on 'top hat' mast of 3WV Dooen

When it comes to beaming radio waves across vast distances, the Dooen transmitter in VK3 is world class. Standing 201 metres tall with a 19 metre wide capacitive 'top hat', the 3WV mast in western Victoria stands out in the vast flat landscape that stretches below it.

Celebrating 75 years of service it must've been a big undertaking in 1936 to build it because cranes and things that are about today weren't even heard of," says long time Horsham resident James Heard.

In fact 594 AM has even been heard as far as Canada, Japan and South Africa.

The staggering reach is aided by the distinctive 'top hat' and the low frequency on the AM band. While obviously a success, the antenna was the first of its kind in Australia and acted as a prototype for other services.

"It was also the first solid-state 50 kW broadcast transmitter installed for the ABC and it was the test bed for the installations across the rest of the country," says Tim Hughes, Transmission Coordinator for ABC Victoria.

Watch a 3 minute video about the 3WV mast Google it on your ABC site.

(SouthGate)

SPACE

Bringing together the resouces of the WA State Records office, the WA Museum and the City of Perth, Amateur Radio is making a name for itself in Western Australia and across the globe.

Here's Onno VK6FLAB with an update for the ARISS contact tomorrow.

Monday February 20 at 0900 UTC the City of Perth will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Orbit of John Glenn which he made on the 20th of February 1962. During the celebrations the International Space Station will be live on stage with students from across Western Australia asking questions to an astronaut in space.

Thanks to the dedicated efforts of the ARISS team, NASA and the Hills Amateur Radio Group, the general public will be introduced to Amateur Radio and its role in providing Earth contacts between the crew of the International Space Station and schools, amateurs and others.

There will be trackers from Muchea and Carnarvon, Amateurs from around the state, and a host of dignitaries on hand to make this an event worthy of John Glenn's achievement. John Glenn will be part of the celebrations with a message for the people of Perth and Rockingham.

If you're unable to make it to Northbridge in Western Australia, you can listen in using IRLP, Echolink and a web-stream. Details are available on the WA Museum City of Light web-site

http://museum.wa.gov.au/city-lights

and the Hills Amateur Radio Group web-site

harg.org.au/ariss

The cast to pull this off is enormous and we'll be adding a list of credits to the HARG site in coming days. Next week we'll have a report on how it all went down, needless to say it's getting very exciting, T-1 day and counting.

(Onno VK6FLAB)

The WIA National Field Day Saturday the 14th and Sunday the 15th of April is where Amateur Clubs and radio enthusiasts across Australia activate public relations demonstration stations in prominent locations.

This will raise public awareness and showcase the hobby.

This WIA National Field Day activity, now in its third year, will be a good opportunity to break out your field day equipment, demonstrate emergency preparedness, but most importantly engage the public.

(wia front page news wia.org.au)

MAGIC BAND

Despite Channel 0 analogue TV transmitters being progressively taken off air as part of the VK digital switchover, the ACMA reminds all Advanced Licence holders of the existing Licence Condition Determinations LCDs.

Work to amend the LCD will start after the switchover is completed at the end of the year. If affects Queensland, New South Wales, the ACT and Victoria

The LCD prohibit operation in the band at a place that is less than 120kms from a main Channel 0 station or 60kms from a translator using this channel.

The main Channel 0 transmitter and several translators located in southern Queensland (VK4) were switched off last December. Both the north and south of New South Wales will close this year.

For full details refer to the LCD or visit the ACMA at http://engage.acma.gov.au/amateur-licence-conditions-in-force-during-dig

(ARVICTORIA)

AGM PARTY

Have you registered to attend to the WIA Annual Conference being held in Mildura over the weekend 25th - 27th May?

This action packed weekend of activities kicks off Friday evening with a meal at the at the Mildura Settlers Club. The Settlers Club has to be one of Mildura's best known historic icons, with a history dating back to its formation 1893, were its members were typically professionals, and the more successful property owners of the area. Yet after nearly a decade of operation, in the early 1990's the club ran into financial difficulties and was forced to close. Down but not out, with one extreme makeover and some genuine TLC it has again become one of Mildura's most successful function centres renowned for its quality meals and relaxed atmosphere, yes that very same relaxed atmosphere it offered back in the 1800s. After the evening meal, Alan Cameron one of Mildura's well known successful businessman, a balloon pilot and a marriage celebrant will provide an entertaining and informative talk entitled "Sunraysia - Past, Present and Future".

The following morning, Saturday the 26th, the WIA will conduct its Annual General Meeting and open forum in the ballroom of Mildura's Grand Hotel. The AGM will commence at 9:00am sharp and will be followed by the presentation of a range of awards. The Open Forum will commence with reports of the various WIA activities that took place over the last year being presented. The open forum is an ideal opportunity for those present to offer comment or raise any issue desired.

But that's just the start, the beginning of a very special weekend of activities, and there is much more in store that we will be sharing with you in upcoming broadcasts. Oh! and do keep an eye out in the next AR magazine for our full colour conference brochure and don't forget the registration page on the WIA Website.

Up up and away, see you in Mildura
this has been Robert VK3DN

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

The Annual General Meeting of the Wireless Institute of Australia New South Wales Division (trading as Amateur Radio New South Wales), will be held on Saturday the 21st of April 2012.

At the AGM a new council is to be appointed.

Nominations are now open for those members who wish to be on the council for the year 2012 and 2013. Nomination forms are now available from the divisional office also available for download from the website www.arnsw.org.au

Nominations close at midday on Saturday the 10th of March 2012.

(Advised by Peter O'Connell VK2EMU Divisional Returning Officer)

What am I?

The number of notes in the traditional Western Major Scale

The original diameter (in inches), of the 45rpm gramophone record.

The number of cervical vertebrae in almost all mammals

The atomic number of nitrogen

The latest release of the Windows series of operating systems.

What am I?

I am the number of days to go until the Central Coast ARC Field Day at Wyong - 26th February 2012

Seven days until Amateur Radio's Big Day Out.

Flea market from 6.30am
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For more information, please got to www.fieldday.org.au

I'm Rod, VK2FVRJ from the CCARC - see you at the Field Day

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Next Sunday being the annual Central Coast field day at Wyong racecourse will see ARNSW assessors providing all grades of assessments. These will commence at 8.30 am under the grandstand. Candidates are reminded to bring with them a passport size photo and identification.

These exams are ideal for those in regions of the country where there are few - if any assessors. Inquiries can be emailed to education@arnsw.org.au

Next weekend VK2WI News will provide a Saturday evening transmission at 7.30 pm in place of the usual Sunday morning session - all the broadcast team operators will be at the field day.

5 th March ARNSW will commence its Standard and Advanced upgrade course each Monday evening at the Dural property

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

WRC-12: NOBEL LAUREATE JOE TAYLOR, K1JT, ADDRESSES PLENARY SESSION AT WRC-12, RECEIVES ITU GOLD MEDAL

Delegates and attendees at the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference had the pleasure of listening as Joe Taylor, K1JT, shared his vision of the future of radiocommunication.

Taylor, an ARRL Member won the Nobel Prize in physics in 1993 for the discovery of a binary pulsar, a discovery which has opened up new possibilities for the study of gravitation. After the speech, the International Telecommunication Union Secretary General, HB9EHT, presented Taylor with the ITU Gold Medal in recognition of Taylor's outstanding contribution to the research in the field of radiocommunication.

In the introduction to Taylor a the Plenary the audience was that Amateur Radio led to Taylor's career as a radio astronomer, and ultimately to his winning the Nobel Prize.

Taylor began his speech by thanking the WRC-12 delegates for the job they were doing at the Conference. "I understand that you have come to Geneva from more than 150 of the ITU's Member States," he said. "You are here to do an important job, an essential one, for nearly all of humanity in today's world. You are charged to do your upmost to accommodate the wide variety of competing interests of all users of the radio frequency spectrum and its available orbits for Earth satellites.

This is surely not an easy task. Most people give very little thought to the complicated issues that you face. Why should they, since for most of us, most of the time, the technologies that depend on these limited resources just seem to work. But I know, and each one of you knows, that much background work and many long negotiations are often necessary in order to make everything fit together and work in harmony.

Future technologies will surely make even better uses of wireless communication than we do today. I foresee plenty of scope for contributions for new technologies. Information and communication technologies have much to offer for the betterment of the human

condition everywhere, and perhaps especially so in the developing world. It is extremely important to continue seeking the best efficiencies in the use of the spectrum. I wish you every success in your task of creating wise and fair guidelines for regulators and policy makers who must allocate the limited resources in the very best interest of all mankind."

You can view Taylor's speech on YouTube
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F028RKkLefI

(sourced to arrl)

13cm threat in Sweden

The 2300-2450 MHz band in Sweden is under threat.

As part of the consultation process the Swedish national society, SSA, has submitted its response to the regulator, the PTS.

SSA argues that the amateur service should remain in the 2.3 GHz band.

Wideband digital systems are becoming less sensitive to narrowband signals, which improves the possibilities for band-sharing.

SSA believes that communication with amateur satellites in the band 2400-2450 MHz should continue to be permitted. SSA is requesting to meet the PTS to discuss the technological basis for continuing the amateur service in the band.

Read the full response in Google English at
http://tinyurl.com/SSA2300MHzResponse

SSA in Google English
http://tinyurl.com/SwedenSSA

Bedford researchers use Medium Waves for power

The BBC report that researchers in Bedford, UK, have created a system to use medium wave frequencies to replace batteries in small everyday gadgets like clocks or remote controls.

Prof Ben Allen and his team at the University of Bedfordshire Centre for Wireless Research, believe it to be a world first that could eventually eliminate the need for conventional batteries.

The new technique uses the "waste" energy of radio waves and has been developed as part of the university's research into "power harvesting".

Read the full BBC story at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-beds-bucks-herts-16869064

University of Bedfordshire - Centre for Wireless Research
http://www.beds.ac.uk/research/irac/cwr

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

VK4WIT at the John Moyle Field Day 2012

theTARCinc will be active during this years John Moyle Field Day
alongside the mighty Burdekin River at Bivouac Junction near Macrossan.

Friday March 16 to Sunday March 18.

It's easy to get to Bivouac Junction, just take to the Flinders Highway
between Townsville and Charters Towers and take the right hand turn off
just before heading across the Burdekin River.

Head upstream for about 2km and you are there!

The site is only 20km away from Charters Towers for any shopping trips.

Irish Radio Transmitters Society 80th Anniversary

IRTS will be celebrating its 80th anniversary this year 2012.

Details of a worldwide contest - CQIR - to take place on Saint Patrick's Day,
Saturday 17th March 2012 have been announced and full rules and information
are available on the irts website.

www.irts.ie/cqir

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Heard Island DXpedition cancelled

The DX Community is advised that the trip to VK0/H Heard Island has been
put on hold until further notice.

The co-organisers, Chris Dimitrijevic VK3FY and Steve Chamberlain VK6IR,
said the decision came in part due to the current global financial situation,
the extremely high financial cost and it would take an estimated USD$500,000
for such an expedition.

Both Chris VK3FY and Steve VK6IR both wish to proceed to Heard Island about
4100 kms south west of Perth in Western Australia, but the financial risks
are far too great at this time.

Earlier it was announced that planning was underway for a DXpedition in
February 2013 involving two weeks, on what was number five of the most
wanted DX Entities worldwide.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

New HF shortwave radio station sign

It is not very often that you can hear a new HF shortwave radio station sign on the air. WTWW, a new International Shortwave Radio facility just outside of Nashville, TN has launched a new transmitter with a broadcast called 'This Is Only A Test'.

WTWW is a 100,000 watt transmitter running into a full size rhombic antenna.

There are more than 1.5 billion shortwave receivers in use worldwide, the BBC estimates that at any given moment, over 200 million sets are tuned to shortwave broadcasts.

More details from QSO Radio Show
http://www.qsoradioshow.com

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Felix VK4FUQ has contacted the IARUMS about an automated tone burst on exactly 14.150 MHz USB hours on end at good strength 8 in Ingham

(0124 UTC Monday 130212).

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Field day BBQ cookbook published

We all love ham radio that's why we're part of this site, a lot of us also take part in field days and other events that require us to set up radio stations in various places be it a field for a contest over a weekend or at a church fete to promote the hobby etc.

We all also need to eat, so M0MVB has combined a love of doing field days and food by writing a BBQ cook book aimed at the ham radio operator.

It has over 100 recipes as well as covering what's the best bbq to take on field days and loads of other help.

The book A Dot of Butter and a Dash of Spice can be previewed and ordered at http://www.lulu.com/product/paperback/a-dot-of-butter-and-a-dash-of-spice/18881119?productTrackingContext=search_results/search_shelf/center/1

(Steve M0MVB)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

CQ SAYS MORSE IS ALIVE AND WELL

Five years after the USA dropped the Morse code requirement, CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, has published a very pointed editorial where-in he notes that both amateur radio and use of the Morse code are alive, well and growing.

This despite the naysayers who predicted the abandoning of Morse testing would bring a sudden end to the hobby.

In his editorial titled "No-Code Plus Five Years: An Assessment", W2VU, states that amateur radio is still here. CW is still here and despite the fears of many CW supporters the universe did not implode on February 23, 2007

Rather his article was prepared based on research that checked on signs of the state use of Morse by today's amateur radio community. It did this by asking manufacturer of keys and paddles about sales, talking to the FISTS Morse preservation group, looking at CW contest results and overall United States licensing statistics.

(SARL)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

At Wyong, ALARA, the Australian Ladies' Amateur Radio Association, will be found on the middle level of the air-conditioned grand-stand building. They will be sharing space with the Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ROAR
ROTARIANS OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.ifroar.org
bill.learmonth@lineone.net
rotmem@yahoogroups.com
nmclaren3@juno.com VK2IWT Secretary

Peter Lowe, VK3KCD ANZO VP
0645z - 0730z Anzo Net 7.118
0730z - 0830z International net 14.293

EA7GSU, Pertti is the President of ROAR, Rotarians Of Amateur Radio.

Pertti's Rotary District Governor has asked him to be on the air on Thursday the 23rd of February.

This is the day of the birth of Rotary and the purpose is to remind the world of Rotary's campaign to 'Stop Polio Now'.

Please note that EA7GSU will be QRV the whole day on:-

3994kHz, 7118kHz and 14293kHz +/- qrm.

He will be calling "cq polio" and telling about the project.

Pertti would welcome everybody to contact him.
A special QSL card will be printed.

As a result of his commitment to highlight Rotary's campaign to 'Stop Polio Now' other ROAR members around the world have also committed to participate.

In Australia VK2IWT, Noel and VK4ZD, Bill hope to be on air at least part of the day.

Vega launch success - satellite signals heard

The first Vega, flight VV01, lifted off at 1000 UT February 13 from the ESA Spaceport in the Caribbean carrying eight student built amateur radio satellites and the LARES Laser Relativity Satellite into orbit.

At 1153 UT, shortly after the satellites had been deployed, Drew Glasbrenner KO4MA reported hearing signals as they went past Florida.

Signals were first heard in the United Kingdom at around 1207 UT.

In Germany Mike Repprecht DK3WN copied the satellites at an elevation of just 3 degress at 1209 UT.

In Sudan Nader ST2NH received signals from AlmaSat-1 and Masat-1.

All the Vega amateur radio satellite project teams used the IARU amateur satellite frequency coordination panel service. The great benefit of IARU coordination was that all the different UHF satellite signals could be simultaneously captured within the typical 192 kHz bandwidth of modern Software Defined Radios.

PW-Sat is the only satellite with a downlink in the 145 MHz band.
Its 1200bps BPSK signal on 145.900 MHz is receiveable with an SSB radio and an omni-directional antenna. When PW-Sat has finished its primary scientific mission it will be reconfigured as a 435/145 MHz FM to DSB transponder for general amateur radio communications. The FM to Double Sideband transponder was first pioneered by amateurs on satellite AO-16.

(southgate)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

World Radio Conference Geneva until 17th February

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

165. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 16 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-16 11:24:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934062b790f0e04b91310e3@google.com>
Source record: 3682
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MEN81KnRBf4/february_16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

What a week of contrasts. Weekdays OK to poor. Saturday much better and Sunday colossal!! And plenty of DX about, FW0NAR (Wallis Island), HU2DX (El Salvador), P49X) Aruba), ZK2C (Niue), AU2LOH (Lothal in Gujarat state, India) and loads of others. I haven’t heard much but G3YBT seems to have

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IARU Special WRC Report No. 2

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jQ-tuieZNdg/iaru_special_wrc_report_no_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rod Stafford W6ROD, Secretary International Amateur Radio Union, has released a further report on WRC-12 taking place in Geneva

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WRC-12: 472-479 kHz Allocation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/33rEaki4PM4/wrc12_472_479%20khz_allocation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hans Blondeel Timmerman PB2T reports on the latest news from WRC- 2 in Geneva on the 472 kHz allocation

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RSGB Board Proceedings for November and January

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uwBxIEcZJT4/rsgb_board_proceedings_for_november_and_january.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB Board Proceedings for November and January 2012 are now available. The appointment of an interim manager and the creation of an RadCom Advisory Group are mentioned

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AW0t7eaWSIA/february_16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Deltona youth loves to ham it up on the radio

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KxA3155WZX4/deltona_youth_loves_to_ham_it%20up_on_the_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Seminole Chronicle reports on the Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Society's youngest member, 9 year old Mikaila Williams KI4DS

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MIT offer free online electronics course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s5nkVt3SxP4/mit_offer_free_online_electronics_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A free, certificated, on line course in 'Circuits and electronics' is now open for registration. The course is certificated by MIT under an honour code

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WRC-12: Ole Garpestad LA2RR Interview

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G3xQ6Xjt_q4/wrc12_ole_garpestad_la2rr_interview.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An ITU video has been released of an interview at WRC-12 with Ole Garpestad LA2RR, Vice-President, The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)

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Video - Getting started using Software Defined Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZXEkOcJsQvk/video_getting_started_using_software_defined_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Continuing their series of educational videos, the Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association (CARA) have released Getting Started Using Software Defined Radio

166. The ARRL Letter for February 16, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-16 23:24:36 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120216225415.5405024703@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3683
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + WRC-12: AMATEUR RADIO GETS SECONDARY MF ALLOCATION AT WRC-12

It's official -- delegates attending the 2012 World
Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) have approved a new
7-kilohertz-wide secondary allocation between 472-479 kHz for the
Amateur Radio Service. Agenda Item 1.23 had both its first and second
readings in Plenary Session on Tuesday, February 14; to become part of
the ITU's Radio Regulations, each Agenda Item must be read twice in
Plenary Session. While the Final Acts will be signed on Friday,
February 17 at the close of the Conference, the new allocation will not
take effect until it is entered into the Radio Regulations on January
1, 2013. In any case, no amateur can use the band until his or her
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national regulations are revised to implement the allocation. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/amateur-radio-gets-secondary-mf-allocation-at-wrc-12>.

==> WRC-12: IARU VICE PRESIDENT OLE GARPESTAD, LA2RR, CHATS WITH ITU

IARU Vice President Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, sat down for a video interview with the ITU Press Office at 4U1ITU (operating as 4U1WRC), the Amateur Radio station at ITU Headquarters in Geneva. During the interview, IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, operated CW in the background. Garpestad discussed Agenda Item 1.23 and what it means to the Amateur Radio Service, what the IARU does at the WRC, the future of Amateur Radio, and what the Amateur Radio Service and the IARU are doing for the next WRC. Watch the video here <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eaxLAem_YMA>.

==> + WRC-15: WRC-12 DELEGATES PLACE POSSIBLE 5 MHZ ALLOCATION ON AGENDA FOR NEXT WRC

One of the responsibilities of each WRC delegation is to set the agenda for the next WRC. WRC-12 delegates approved an Amateur Radio-related agenda item for the upcoming WRC-15: To consider the possibility of making an allocation of an appropriate amount of spectrum, not necessarily contiguous, to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis within the band 5250-5450 kHz. This will be Agenda Item 1.4 at WRC-15.

"It is always a challenge to have items placed on the agenda for future WRCs," IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, told the ARRL. "I am pleased that we were successful in having an Agenda Item for a potential allocation at 5 MHz on a secondary basis. There will be much work to do over the next ITU study group cycle. Much appreciation is owed to the IARU and the national delegation teams in Geneva for their hard work on this issue."

According to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, the original 5 MHz proposal came from Cuba. "The IARU team worked hard to line up support," he explained. "The factor that worked most in our favor was that at WRC-07, a proposal for a 5 MHz agenda item for WRC-12 failed to gain enough support, so there was a feeling that the Amateur Service deserved better treatment this time around. We did have active support from a number of administrations in Latin America which helped a lot, but a lot of others also had to agree to get it on the agenda. The coordinators of future Agenda Items on behalf of the regional telecommunications organizations, such as CITEL and CEPT, eventually agreed on a package of Agenda Items that included ours." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/wrc-12-delegates-place-possible-5-mhz-allocation-on-agenda-for-next-wrc>.

==> +ON THE AIR: ARRL 500 KHZ EXPERIMENTAL GROUP SPARKED INTEREST IN MF OPERATION

In September 2006, the FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology granted a Part 5 experimental license -- WD2XSH -- to the ARRL on behalf of a group of radio amateurs who were interested in investigating spectrum in the vicinity of 500 kHz. Called the ARRL 500 kHz Experiment, this group of hams -- led by Fritz Raab, W1FR -- received permission to experiment and do research between 505-510 kHz using narrowband modes at power levels of up to 20 W effective radiated power (ERP), using CW and PSK31.

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/Feb2012_600MeterStations.jpg>
The original 500 kHz license called for 23 discrete fixed sites across the US: at Raab's QTH in Vermont, as well as at sites in Arkansas, California, Colorado, Illinois, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. In 2008, the FCC expanded the scope of the experimental license, allowing for more frequencies, more stations and portable operations: The group could now operate between 495-510 kHz, the number of stations increased from 23 to 42 and participants could now operate within 50 km of their designated stations.

At the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-2012), delegates approved an amateur secondary MF allocation between 472-479 kHz. The ARRL would like to acknowledge the contributions of the participants in the ARRL 500 kHz Experiment to the recent approval of a new amateur secondary MF allocation, and to thank them for their efforts. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-500-khz-experimental-group-sparked-interest-in-mf-operation>.

==> + ON THE AIR: RAC TO SPLIT ONTARIO INTO FOUR SECTIONS

On February 6, Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) issued a statement on their website that the Ontario Section would be split into four new RAC Administrative Sections, effective September 1, 2012. The reason given for the restructure was "...to create a management model that better communicates with, and represents the interests of, the overall Ontario amateur population." The Ontario Section will be dissolved and be replaced with four new RAC Sections: Ontario North, Ontario South, Ontario East and the Greater Toronto Area. The new section abbreviations will be announced when final. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/rac-to-split-ontario-into-four-sections>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: NASA SELECTS AMSAT FOX SATELLITE TO JOIN PROGRAM

Project ELaNa -- NASA's "Educational Launch of NanoSat" managed by the Launch Services Program at the Kennedy Space Center -- announced on February 10 that the AMSAT Fox-1 CubeSat has been selected to join the program. NASA will work with AMSAT in a collaborative agreement for NASA to cover the integration and launch costs of satellites deemed to have merit in support of their strategic and educational goals. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/nasa-selects-amsat-fox-satellite-to-join-program>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: TEXAS HAMS MAKE WORLD RECORD BALLOON ATTEMPT

A group of Amateur Radio operators hopes to establish a world distance record for an unmanned helium-filled balloon. The BLT-28 balloon will undertake a journey across the Atlantic and the Mediterranean, and then on to Nanjing, China. The South Texas Balloon Launch Team released the balloon at 3 PM (CST) on February 11 from Katy, Texas, just outside of Houston.

During the trans-Atlantic crossing, when out of range of shore based stations, the balloon's APRS beacon will operate on the International Space Station (ISS) packet digipeater frequency of 145.825 MHz. The balloon payload package weighs only about 5 ounces and contains a high altitude GPS tracking system and a 144 MHz FM APRS Amateur Radio transmitter. To conserve weight and battery life, no camera equipment will be on board. The maximum altitude is expected to be above 19 miles, with horizontal speeds between 100 and 150 miles per hour. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/world-record-balloon-attempt>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: NEW SATELLITES REACH ORBIT

On February 13, a European Space Agency Vega rocket lifted off from Kourou, French Guiana on its inaugural flight. It carried the Laser Relativity Spacecraft to orbit along with eight student-built MicroSats and CubeSats. The student satellites will transmit telemetry in the VHF, UHF and microwave amateur bands, with one satellite also including a voice repeater. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-satellites-reach-orbit>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Certain as the Sun rising in the east <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oeoPtz0F2Ck>" Cook, K7RA, reports: We are more than halfway through the winter season, as Sunday, February 5 was 45 days after the winter solstice. Propagation should improve as we approach the vernal equinox on March 20. Solar activity is still in the temporary doldrums, with sunspot numbers below 100. But the weekly average of daily sunspot numbers rose this week by over 15 points to 55.6. There was a geomagnetic storm on Wednesday, February 15 (UTC). Early in the UTC day (Tuesday night in North America), the planetary K index went to 5, and the planetary A index was 22. The College A index in Fairbanks was estimated at 46, which is quite high. The disturbance was probably from a CME a few days earlier. Aurora in North America was seen as far south as Minnesota. The latest forecast has solar flux about 55-60 points lower than last month's prediction for the ARRL International CW DX Contest <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx> this weekend. Latest predicted flux values are 105 on February 16, 110 on February 17-20, 105 on February 21-22, 110 on February 23, and 115 on February 24-26. The predicted flux values bounce around from 105-110 from

February 27-March 13, then go back to 115 on March 14-16 and again on March 20-24. The predicted planetary A index for February 16-23 is 10, 5, 8, 8, 5, 5, 5 and 9, then 5 on February 24-March 1. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 17. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Disney's Beauty and the Beast <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beauty_and_the_Beast_%281991_film%29>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- February 17 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 17-18 -- Russian PSK WW Contest
- February 18 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- February 18-19 -- ARRL International DX Contest (CW) <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>; AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party
- February 20 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- February 22 -- SKCC Sprint
- February 22-23 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- February 24 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 24-26 -- CQ 160 Meter Contest (SSB)
- February 25-26 -- Mississippi QSO Party; North American QSO Party (RTTY); REF Contest (SSB); UBA DX Contest (CW)
- February 26 -- High Speed Club CW Contest; SARL Digital Contest
- February 26-27 -- North Carolina QSO Party
- February 27 -- CQC Winter QSO Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> + ARRL HQ: ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS DAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Presidents Day on Monday, February 20. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, February 21 at 8 AM Eastern Standard Time. We wish everyone a safe Presidents Day holiday.

==> + BE A STAR! DEADLINE FOR SECOND ANNUAL ARRL VIDEO CONTEST IS FEBRUARY 29

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur
Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Second
Annual Video Contest! Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our
way. All videos must be postmarked by February 29, 2012. Burn your
video to a CD or DVD using the appropriate software and mail it to ARRL
Video Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Do not attempt to send
it via e-mail, as our e-mail system cannot accommodate large files.
Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/be-a-star-deadline-for-second-annual-arrl-video-con
test-is-february-29>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- February 17-18 -- ARRL Southwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southwestern-division-convention-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 18 -- ARRL Arkansas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-section-convention-1>, Hoxie,
Arkansas
- February 25 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>,
South Burlington, Vermont
- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest
>,
Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-
hamfest-2>,
Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>,
Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana
-hamfest>,
Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest
-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-t
m>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
>,
Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas

- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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167. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 245

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-17 09:00:04 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5331119B2DE447D4970416404DA0CA44@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3684
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 245

17 February 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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Debby Says…NZART Council will be at Wellington airport this
weekend for a one day face to face meeting. Included in the items to be
discussed are the remits for the upcoming AGM to be held in Nelson over
Queens birthday weekend. These remits will be published in Break In, in
the March April issue. No remits will be forwarded separately to
branches for discussion until this time.

Subscription reminder notices will be sent out to all non-financial
members of NZART for the 2012 year. If you are not sure you have paid
your membership, please contact me, however if your received the
January/February issue of Break In, you have definitely paid your subs.
Please remember we can accept regular payment options, contact me for
more details.

>From time to time, I need to remind members of a few small details. Some
that irk me slightly are:

a) I am the only person present in this office, how I wish there
was a team of me!

b) I do need to leave the office usually on a daily basis to
collect mail, post and bankings etc, sometimes I divert my phone to my
personal cellphone so I do not miss your calls, however I may have
missed you if you have come to the office. It may be easier to ring me
before you intend to visit so I can make sure I will be here.

c) I am and have always been a female, this sounds petty, but I would like not to be called ‘Sir’ or
‘OM’. I am quite shocked at times to find long standing members refer to me in this manner.

d) Lastly, I do like to get visitors, however the hours I spend here have been finely tuned so as not to waste Association funds, therefore if you have just ‘popped in’ for a chat, I would appreciate if your stay is brief. Sorry folks I like a catch up like anybody, but it usually means I may get behind in my duties and serving you in the best and most cost effective way.

Thanks for not taking this too personally.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Proposed changes affecting the 130 to 190 kHz Amateur Band - Outcome

Members may recall that we put in a submission late last year (see in HQ Infoline 31s on 16 December) commenting on changes the MED were proposing to make that would affect part of our 130 – 190 kHz Amateur band.

The Ministry has now posted their decision on the RSM website at http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/policy-and-planning/projects/proposed-power-increase-for-short-range-devices together with a summary of the submissions.

As expected, the Ministry has approved the change, agreed that the current compliance and radio standards regime should continue (the system that has replaced “type approval”) but decided not to take up our suggestion that a warning against modification be included with the devices as this “could add an unreasonable cost to industry for low volume, low risk activity”.

Don Wallace, ZL2TLL, NZART Administration Liaison Officer

WRC 2012 - The Amateur Radio Service Gains A Band Near 500 kHz

472-479 kHz. The worldwide amateur radio service has a new frequency band, 472 to 479 kHz. It is a secondary allocation. There are other services in that portion of the spectrum that must not be interfered with by the amateur operation.

The aeronautical radionavigation service is a primary service in the band 415-495 kHz in the following areas: Australia, China, the French overseas communities of Region 3, Korea (Rep. of), India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea and Sri Lanka.

The aeronautical radionavigation service is a primary service in the band 435-495 kHz in the following areas: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, the Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan.

The amateurs are allowed to use the band so long as it does not cause interference to this primary service or the maritime mobile service operating in the 472-479 kHz band.

There are some countries that will not allow amateur radio operation in the 472-479 kHz band. The use of the frequency band 472-479 kHz in Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belarus, China, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, the Russian Federation, Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Oman, Uzbekistan, Qatar, Syrian Arab Republic, Kyrgyzstan, Somalia, Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen is limited to the maritime mobile and aeronautical radionavigation services. The amateur service shall not be used in the above-mentioned countries in this frequency band, and this should be taken into account by the countries authorizing such use.

The ITU Radio Regulations provide that radio amateurs are limited to 1 watt (e.i.r.p.) however administrations whose territory is beyond 800 kilometers from the borders of the following countries may increase the operating power to 5 watts (e.i.r.p.): Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belarus, China, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, the Russian Federation, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Mauritania, Oman, Uzbekistan, Qatar, Syrian Arab Republic, Kyrgyzstan, Somalia, Sudan, Tunisia, Ukraine and Yemen.

The change becomes effective with the adoption of the Final Acts of the Conference. Of course, it will be determined by each administration around the world as to what modes and bandwidths will be used in this portion of the spectrum and when hams in that country will have access to the spectrum.

More activities from the WRC-12 will be reported at the end of the WRC. The WRC continues until 17 February. There is an effort underway to place an amateur radio agenda item on the agenda for the next WRC which will take place in 2015.

Rod Stafford W6ROD

IARU Secretary

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Articles Needed

The ARLHS newsletter, The Lighthouse Lens,
needs articles for the next issue. Send us anything related to light beacons or maritime communications or with a nautical theme.

Have you activated a light? Tell us about
your experience! Any suggestions for settig up a portable station?
How about equipment? Recommendations? Memories of past friends, QRV
locations, members, or mentors.

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73,

Jim Weidner, K2JXW

Editor & Publisher

Motoryacht "Sandy Claws"

Variable Z0Yagi Paper

You may be interested in the following paper (freely downloadable
online, copy attached):
“Improving Bandwidth of Yagi-Uda Arrays,” Wireless
Engineering and Technology, vol. 3, January 2012, pp. 18-24.
<http://www.scirp.org/journal/wet>http://www.SciRP.org/journal/wet
(doi:10.4236/wet.2012.31003).

A companion article “Variable Z0 – A New Antenna Design
Paradigm,” VHF Communications (U.K.), 1/2012, pp. 18-23, will be
available March 2012 in hardcopy (contact editor Andy Barter, G8ATD,
<mailto:andy@vhfcomm.co.uk>andy@vhfcomm.co.uk, for information).

Also attached are two background papers that helped set the stage for
Variable Z0.
Thank you for looking at Variable Z0. Comments/questions welcome.

73 de WW1RF
Richard
rf2@ieee.org

This article may be of interest to you.

Back to the future: amateur radio in 2012

http://www.gavaghancommunications.com/amrad.html

Feel free to forward the article to whomever you would like.

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John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
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168. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 17 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-17 11:51:58 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93407c1b10f5304b927905f@google.com>
Source record: 3685
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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WRC-12: Resolution COM6/12

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Aqg6ID07Q3U/wrc12_resolution_com6_12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hans Blondeel Timmerman PB2T reports on the latest news from WRC-12 in
Geneva about Resolution COM6/12 regarding 5300 kHz

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G0KYA's HF Propagation Podcast for February now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uWXetmpn9Bg/podcast_february.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve G0KYA, has published his HF Propagation Podcast for February 2012

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100th Anniversary Titanic Special Event W0S

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The 100th Anniversary Titanic Special Event W0S will be held this year on
the 13th 14th 15th of April 2012

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5 MHz on agenda for WRC 2015

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QBRXcnVJMZU/5_mhz_on_agenda_for_wrc2015.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Thanks to the original Cuban proposal at the start of WRC12 and the very
hard work done by Colin, G3PSM, Jon, WB3ERA and all the IARU team - there
is now an official resolution for a 5 MHz Amateur Allocation on the Agenda
for the next WRC in 2015

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FUNcube group exceeds 3000 members

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qCyWnCyRYwA/funcube_group_exceeds_3000_

members.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In just 16 months the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Yahoo Group has exceeded a
membership of 3000

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Android App for UK Band Plan 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0Tixrdq2APY/android_app_for_uk_band_plan_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jon M6BYR hs produced an Android App that aims to provide a quick and easy
way to look up the band plans

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RSGB Director resigns

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-LDancxKM64/rsgb_director_resigns.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David Aslin, G3WGN, has decided to leave the RSGB's Interim Board

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UCNW ARS VHF NFD

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A vintage silent video from 1975 shows radio amateurs from the University
College of North Wales Amateur Radio Society taking part in VHF National
Field Day

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Hull Girl Guides on the air

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nj5vTbMGC68/hull_girl_guides_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Humber Fortress DX A.R.C will be activating a VHF and HF station as part of TDOTA with the support of the 53rd Guide group Hull, on Saturday 18th February

169. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 17 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-17 15:27:17 UTC
From: Richard G3CWI <g3cwi@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <b341d18d-008c-4b21-95e6-b4444cdca2f6@m24g2000yqb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3686
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 17, 11:51 am, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
<newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:

> RSGB Director resigns
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> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-LDancxKM64/rsgb_d...
>
> David Aslin, G3WGN, has decided to leave the RSGB's Interim Board
>

He didn't stay long...

170. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1050

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-17 16:41:52 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <381954.18174.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3687
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1050
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BID: $OPDX.1050
February 20, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late ARRL DX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the ARRL DX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 10th-February, through Friday, 17th-February there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2011 CQ DX MARATHON NEWS (High Claimed Scores). John, K9EL, DX Marathon Administrator, reports: "High Claimed scores for the 2011 DX Marathon sponsored by CQ Magazine are now available on the DX Marathon Web site <www.dxmarathon.com>. Thanks to everyone for the big increase in participation. Final scores will be published later this year in CQ Magazine."

2012 RWWPSKC. Most operators will be active in the ARRL DX CW Contest this weekend, but we just wanted to remind you that the Russian World-Wide PSK Contest is also this weekend between 2100z Friday, February 17th, and 2100z Saturday, February 18th. Types of modulation are: BPSK31, 63 and 125. The output power should not exceed 10 watts on 160 meters and 100 watts on other bands. Only one transmitted signal is permitted at any time. Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters. Read more about the rules of the contest at:
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=72&Itemid=2
Adjustment of MixW for Russian WW PSK Contest:
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=78&Itemid=2

3DA, SWAZILAND (Update from G3SWH). Just a reminder that Phil, G3SWH, and John, G3OLU (aka EA5ARC), will be active as 3DA0PW from the Hawane Resort in western Swaziland between February 21-29th. The Hawane Resort has a well equipped station with Elecraft K3 transceivers, ICOM IC2KL amplifiers, an A4S at 24m, an A3WS at 20m, a wire 4 square for 40m and a vertical for 80m complete with 30 x 20m long radials. Activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160, 60, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and hope to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either by the OQRS facility on Phil's web site <www.g3swh.org.uk> (preferred), direct with SAE and adequate return postage, or by the Bureau. Subject to a good InterNet connection, there will be an online log on Phil's Web site and on Clublog as well as daily uploads to LoTW. There is more information available at: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/3da0pw.html

5P, DENMARK (Contest and Special Event). Operators Joergen/OZ0J and Daniel/OZ5BD will be active as 5P12EU during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-Op/Single-TX entry. QSL via OZ0J. This special event callsign is to celebrate that Denmark is the Chairman of the European Union between January 1st and June 30th, 2012. There are 27 countries presently in the European Union. This special callsign will be used between the above dates. For more details, see the following Web page at: http://www.5p12eu.dk

6O, SOMALIA (Update). By the time you read this, Darko, J28AA/E70A, who was active as 6O3A this past week from Hargeisa, will be going QTH on February 20th. Last Wednesday, Darko installed a station in the Ministry of Post and Telecommunication that will have the callsign 6O3SL (the suffix "SL" stands for SomaliLand). He will also train some local amateur radio operators for future operations. The club station was equipped with

a donated Icom IC-735 and wire antennas. Look for 6O3A to take part in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Lower-Power entry. QSL via K2PF. For updates (under news), online, and pictures, check out the Bosnia and Herzegovina Contest Club's Web page [BHCC] at: http://bhcc.ba

9M0, SPRATLY (Update). Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) and the 9M4SDX Team will be active as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Layang Island (Swallow Reefs - AS-051) near Sabah, East Malaysia, between April 10-24th. The current team consists of Tex-san/9M2TO (Project Coordinator), Neoh/9M2CLN (Team Leader Malaysia), Tack-san/JE1CKA (Team Leader Japan), Hajime/7K4QOK, Takuto/9M2/JE1SCJ, David/9M2PX, Yasuma/9M8YY, Nigel/G3TXF, Joe/JA1LZR, Naoyuki/JK1FNL, Hiroyuki/JP1TRJ and Yutaka/JQ2GYU. QSL direct to 9M2TO: 9M0L TEAM PENANG, PO BOX 125 GPO 10710, Penang Island, MALAYSIA or by the Bureau to Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter's Society (MARTS). More details will be forthcoming. A Web page is up but still under constructions at: http://9m0l.legendchew.com

A2, BOTSWANA (DXpedition Update). Operators Frosty/K5LBU (A25CF), Keith/VE7MID (A52KW), Don/VE7DS (A25DS) and Joel/N5JR (A25JR) will be active from the Lotsane Safari Lodge between March 18-27th. The group plans to be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as A25HQ. They will have about 3 rigs and a log periodic plus wire antenna covering 160 meters and up. It was also mentioned that they would use an inverted L with amp and a beverage antenna. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Look for the E51M DXpedition that is going to North Cook Islands to also be active as E51MCW from Rarotonga, South Cook Islands, between April 11-14th, after their operation on Manihiki (see OPDX.1044). Activity will be on all bands, including 60m, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or by the Bureau. Online QSL Requests Service (OQRS) for the Bureau and direct cards can be made after April 20th. For more details, see the E51M Web page at: http://www.manihiki2012.de

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Juan, EA8CAC, will be active as EF8R during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Operators Fred/AB1OC and XYL Anita/AB1QB will be active as FO/homecall from Bora Bora, French Polynesia (OC-067, DIFO FO-003, WLOTA 0430), between February 18-24th. Fred states, "This is not a formal DXpedition, it is just some time to relax and do some operating in 'vacation mode'." Fred and Anita will have an Icom 7000, a couple of vertical antennas and a 2 element beam for 10 and 12 meters. They plan to be active on all bands from 40-10 meters, including 30/17/12m, conditions permitting. Operations will be on PSK, RTTY, SSB and JT65HF. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or their home callsigns.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Operators Edwin/HI3K, Tino/HI3CC, Franky/HI3TT, Ezequiel/HI3EPR and Yukon John/KL7JR will be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as HI3K (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single entry from Lomas del Toro

in Santiago (Lomadeltoro Contest Team's HI3CCP station):
http://www.lomadeltoro.com
QSL via KB2MS. See QRZ.com for details.

IOTA DINNER BANQUET (Visalia Convention). The 17th annual Islands On The Air (IOTA) Dinner will be held in conjunction with the 63th annual Visalia International DX Convention on Friday, April 20th, in the Plaza Room of the Holiday Inn Hotel, 9000 W. Airport Drive, Visalia, CA 93277, phone: 559 651-5000. See the DX Convention Web site for details on the DX Convention at: http://dxconvention.org/
This dinner is open to all who are active in the IOTA program or want to see beautiful pictures of far away islands. If you do not wish dinner, you may sit and enjoy the IOTA program following the dinner.
The program agenda is as follows:
1730 - 1830 Doors open, socializing and eyeball QSOs
1830 Welcoming & Introductions by Rick, K6VVA
Dinner served, buffet style
1845 IOTA Programs/Speakers: RSGB IOTA Program Manager - Roger, G3KMA; Cezar, VE3LYC; Martin, G3ZAY; Rick, K6VVA and Mike, K9AJ.
2200 Closing
The dinner will be served buffet style in the Plaza Room at a cost of 33 USDs per person (service charge and tax included). The buffet menu will contain entr�e choice of beef or chicken along with salad, vegetables, dinner rolls, dessert, and a beverage (coffee, ice water, or ice tea). Vegetarian meal is available with two weeks notice. Wine and liquor can be purchased separately from hotel staff.
Reservations and advanced payment will be required this year. Prepayment must be received 10 days in advance; by April 10, 2012. Please send your check to N6VR's address below. He will confirm by E-mail receipt. At this time, buffet service is set for 50 persons. And, as in previous IOTA dinners, admission is free for those wishing to watch the programs without dinner. Paid attendees will have priority seating.
For additional information regarding this event, please contact:
Ray Benny, N6VR - IOTA Dinner Coordinator
462 South Reed Road, Chino Valley, AZ 86323
Phone: 928 848-2158
rayn6vr@cableone.net

Or, Will Costello, WC6DX
Phone: 831 375-8133
wc6dx@sbcglobal.net
As a note, the Holiday Inn has no rooms available. Check the NCDXC Website for other motels. You may ask the NCDXC Convention coordinators if they have any rooms reserved for foreign guests if you reside out of the USA.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-042. (POSTPONED!) Members of the "Invoker Team" that were expected to be active as EG3INT/7 from Albor�n Island (WLOTA 1061, ARLHS SPA-145, DIE S-001, DME 04013, WW GRID IM85LW) this past week

announced on QRZ.com (February 14th) - "POSTPONED: The team
has just received a message from the authorities informing
the trip must be postponed due to the boat having to undertake
other priority commitments."

EU-029. Operators Dominic/ON4AZP, Michel/ON4CAQ, Francois/ON6VP,
Herman/ON7FH and Maurice/ON7KS will be active as 5P5Y from
Lolland Island (DIA SJ-015, WLOTA 2773) between April 29th
and May 5th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL
via ON4AMM, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-047. Robert, DK2RO, will be active as DK2RO/p from Spiekeroog Island
between February 20-24th. Activity will be holiday style on all
HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via his home callsign,
direct or by the Bureau. He plans to uploaded his log to LoTW.

EU-103. Members from the Papa Lima DX Group (EI0PL) will be active as
EJ0PL from Saltee Island during the second full weekend of
April. QSL via EI5JQ. More details will be forthcoming.

EU-127. (Update to OPDX.1049) The DD4T DXpedition to Helgoland Island
(GID/DID N-014, WLOTA 0518) between June 3-10th, now has a
Web page at: http://www.dd4t.eu

NA-189. (Update to OPDX.1048) A team of 10 operators, from the Aguas-
calientes Amateur Radio Club, will be active as XF1AA from
Isabel Island (in the Jalisco/Nayarit IOTA group) between
March 16-21st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB
and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are Enrique/XE2AA,
Ben/XE2AU, Ismael/XE1AY, Jorge/XE2AMS, Armando/XE2AMZ, Vertiz/
XE2AY, David/XE2AUD, Juan/XE2AI, Fidel/XE2ARM and Ramiro/XE2ARV.
QSL via IT9EJW.

J3, GRENADA. Harry, AC8G, will use the J37K callsign during a visit to the
island between March 1-4th. After some repairs to the beam, he should be
on by mid day on the 1st. Since he will be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest
during the weekend, he plans to work non-USA/Canadian stations on March
1st and 2nd. QSL to AC8G direct with SASE. Logs will be put in LoTW
shortly after his return to stateside.

J7, DOMINICA. Brian, K1LI, will be active as J7Y from Dominica (NA-101)
between February 25th and March 13th. Activity will mainly be focused on
the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th). QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 20-26th)....
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Feb/21st AN Feb/24th AN Feb/26th AN
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K9 100-400

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY. Look for the following stations to be active during
the South America Lighthouse Weekend (February 24-26th):
3G3L - Faro Punta Lutrin (CHI-071)
CE1DY - Faro Concordia Directional (CHI-101)
XR1FC - Faro Punta Caldera (CHI-065)
XR2FPC - Faro Punta Caraumilla (CHI-014)
XR4AC - Baliza Alto Capellania (NORTE4, NAC-208B)
XR2BPA - Baliza Puerto Aldea (NAC-135)
XR4CA - Faro Cabo Carranza (CHI-005)
XR4LR - Baliza Espigon Puerto Rapel (NAC-208A)

For complete details about the South America Lighthouse Weekend,
go to: http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2012/index.htm

MJ0, JERSEY. Mat, F5SHQ, will be active as MJ0ASP during the ARRL DX CW
Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026)
during ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/
Assisted entry. He is expected to be here until the summer of 2013.
Dave will be active (outside of contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all
contests as NH2T. QSL via LoTW or via W2YC.

OA, PERU. Fred, DL1NL, is once again active as OA4/DL1NL from Lima,
Peru, until early March. Activity will be during his spare time on
160-10 meters CW, with some SSB, from the Radio Club Peruano station
(OA4O). QSL via DL1NL, by the Bureau or direct. No LoTW or eQSL.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Pekka, OH2TA, will be active as OH0X during the
ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry.
QSL via LoTW or to OH2TA.

P4, ARUBA (Update). Helmut, DF7ZS, will be active as P4/DF7ZS from Aruba
(SA-036) from P40V's QTH between March 21-27th. Activity will be casual,
but main operations will be during the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th)
using the callsign P41P. QSL P4/DF7ZS via DF7ZS. QSL P41P via W3HNK.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 17th)

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A61K via EA7FTR IP2ANT via IK2QPR SN51LTL via SQ5LTL
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX IQ5VZ via I5DOF V5/DC8QT via DC8QT
EM0UBC via UR4UXD K7UGA via K7BHM YT16IARU via YU1EA
HF35APAS via SP9YI PA6NB via PA7JWC ZX2B via PY2MNL

HF70TWARDY via SP8MI PI4VPO via PA2CNR

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. DF8OL and/or DF9OL are not and have never been the QSL Manager of EX2A. It seems that some databases have gotten this information wrong. EX2A has no QSL Manager at all according to his Web site on QRZ.com.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: CX9AU, LX1EA, OH6LNI, OH8X, PI4DX, VE2JM, YU5A and ZM4G

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4C1JPG, 4L3Y, 5R8AX, 5U5U, 9J2QQV, 9N7MD, A65BP, BV0EXPO, BN100, BO100, BU100, BX100, BQ100, BV100ROC, BM100, BW100, CR2X, CU2KG, CY0/VE1AWW, EA9IE, EI8JX, JT1RF, KP2B, OH2BH, OH0X, OJ0B, OJ0X, P29FR, PJ5/DL7VOG, RU0ZM, RZ0AF, T32C, TA3D, TU2T, TX3T, TX7M, TY1KS, V63T, VK0TH, VR2EH, VR2XMT, XU7UJR, YB6NE, YC1KI, YC1YU, YC2BGI, YD1XUH, YE1ZAW, YG1CRR, ZA1UT and ZF2OE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4L4CC, 5B4AJC, 7Z1HL, A65CA, HB0/DL5SE, R1ANP, TA2/DL2JRM, TA7/KM8W, TF/DF6QV, TO3GA, UF0A and V5/DJ4BO

V2, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA. Norbert "Bert", DL2RNS, reports that he will be active as V25NS from here before he heads to Montserrat (see OPDX.1045). QSL via DL2RNS, direct or by the Bureau.

V3, BELIZE. Operators John/WC0W, George/K5PI and Mike/N7MH will be active as V31TP during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via WC0W.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th, 2012)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2012 ARRL DX CW Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxc2012.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxcd2012.html (By entity)

Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3B8GY Mauritius M/? SP2JMB
3V8SS Tunisia SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
5P12EU Denmark M/S OZ0J
5Z4EE Kenya SOAB HP NV7E
6O3A Somalia QSL via E77E or K2PF
6Y2T Jamaica SOAB VE3DZ
8P5Y Barbados M/S K9CS
C6AKQ Bahamas M/S N4BP Direct
C6ANM Bahamas M/S LoTW
CO6LP Cuba SOSB 160M CO6LP

CQ3B Madeira SOAB LP OM7JG
CR3A Madeira SOAB HP CT3EE
CR3L Madeira M/2 DJ6QT
E51NJB South Cook Islands SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via N5JB
EE5E Spain M/S LoTW
EF8R Canary Islands SOAB LoTW
EF8USA Canary Islands SOAB LoTW
FP/W6HGF St. Pierre & Miquelon W6HGF
FW0NAR Wallis & Futuna HA0NAR
J38A Grenada SO LoTW
J88DR St. Vincent SOAB LP G3TBK; QSL Buro or direct
JW Svalbard
KP2MM Virgin Islands SO LoTW
LX7I Luxembourg M/S LX2A
M5E England M/2 G0CKV
MJ0ASP Jersey SO LP LoTW
NH2T Guam SOAB LoTW
NP4Z Puerto Rico SOAB N4AO
OH0X Aland Island SOAB LoTW; QSL via OH2TA
OH0Z Aland Island SOAB HP W0MM
OZ7A Denmark M/S LoTW; QSL via OZ7A Buro
P49Y Aruba SOAB LoTW; QSL via AE6Y
PJ4X Bonaire M/2 LoTW; QSL via W1MD direct
PZ5RO Surinam M/S AI2N
T6MO Afghanistan SO LP K9GY
TF3CW Iceland SOSB LX1NO
TG8/W0OR Guatemala SO W0OR
TO5X Martinique SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via UA3DX
V25AA Antigua AA9A; QSL via Buro or direct
V31RR Belize SOAB AI4U
V31SG Belize QRP LoTW; QSL via K0UU direct
V31TP Belize M/S WC0W
V31WW Belize W2OX Direct
V31YN Belize LoTW; QSL via DJ4KW, Buro/direct
VP5OU Turks & Caicos M/S LoTW; QSL via N7OU
VP9/W6PH Bermuda SOAB LP W6PH Direct
WP3C Puerto Rico SOAB LP W3HNK
XW4XR Laos SOAB LP E21EIC
ZD8Z Ascension Island SO AI4U
ZF2AM Cayman Islands SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via K6AM, Buro/direct

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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171. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1801 - February 17 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-17 18:10:24 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120217180815.914E133C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3688
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1801 - February 17 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1801 with a release date of February 17th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. WRC 2012 ends and ham radio get a new 600 meter allocation. Also, the 2 Gigahertz band comes under attack in Sweden; ham radio gets an exclusion from a proposed Illinois distracted driving law; a high altitude ham radio balloon heading from Texas to China disappears over the Gulf of Mexico and spray on antennas become a reality. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1801 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: WARC 2012 ENDS - THE OUTCOME FOR HAM RADIO

The 2012 World Radiocommunications Conference, better known as WRC 12 has come to a close. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the Newsroom with some good news for ham radio:

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At its Plenary meeting held on February 14th, the World Radiocommunication Conference approved a new secondary frequency allocation to the Amateur Radio Service from 472 to 479 kHz. Having passed its First and Second Readings it is normally a formality that this change be included in the conferences Final Acts when the gathering concludes and the Table of Frequency Allocations would then be amended accordingly.

As a secondary user, amateur radio shares 472 to 479 kHz with the Maritime Mobile Service which is the primary user in all three ITU Regions and with the Aeronautical Radionavigation Service which is a Secondary user except as noted in the following footnotes:

One footnote reads that a number of countries will identify their intent to elevate the status of their Aeronautical Radionavigation Service to Primary as a step in ensuring protection from secondary users.

Also there is a footnote that says that the power which radio amateurs may use in 472 to 479 kHz will be limited to 5 watts effective radiated except for amateur stations within 800 km of the borders of a number of countries. These are principally Russia, many of the former Soviet bloc

nations and the Arab states. For those affected amateurs the power output limit will be 1 watt.

It is, of course, up to individual administrations to authorize use of the band by their amateurs. How long it will before the band is available to hams in the United States? That's up to the bureaucrats in Washington D.C.. At this point that is unknown.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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The new band at 600 meters will represent the return of amateurs to the medium waves. This is an area of spectrum that hams have not had access to since the earliest days of radio regulation. More on WRC 12 in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (RAC)

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RESTRUCTURING: SSA SAYS HAM RADIO AND BROADBAND CAN SHARE 13 CM

The 13 centimeter ham band is under threat of reallocation in Sweden. This as that nations Telecommunications regulator the Department of Post and Telecommunications has suggested that the 2300 to 2450 MHz spectrum be transferred for use by broadband systems. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the details:

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As part of the rule making process the Swedish national amateur radio society, the SSA, has submitted it's response to Sweden's telecommunications regulator on this matter. In it, the SSA argues that the nations amateur service should remain in the 2.3 GHz band and if needed share this spectrum with any other users.

SSA notes that wideband digital systems are becoming less sensitive to narrowband signals. This it says improves the possibilities for such a form of band sharing arrangement.

Among its position points the SSA believes that communication with amateur satellites in the band from 2400 to 2450 MHz should continue to be permitted.

The SSA is also requesting a meeting with the Department of Post and Telecommunications to discuss the technological basis for continuing the amateur service in the this band.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Pittsburg, PA.

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More on the amateur radio response to the proposed reallocation translated into Google English is on-line at

tnyurl.com/SSA2300MHzResponse (Southgate, SSA)

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RADIO SCIENCE: COMMUNICATIONS LOST WITH BLT-28 TEXAS TO CHINA HAM RADIO BALLOON

Communications with a high altitude amateur radio floating balloon that was launched from Texas with a final goal of reaching Nanjing China has been lost. BLT-28 transmitting callsign KT5TK-11 on APRS was lost at 00:50 hours UTC on February 12th. This was only 3 hours after the balloon was lofted skyward from Katy, Texas, just west of the city of Houston.

Signals were lost when the balloon was passing through the 45,700 feet over the Gulf of Mexico about 110 miles south of Holly Beach, Louisiana. This was possibly the coldest part of the journey to that time with the last telemetry reporting a temperature of -50 degrees Celsius.

There is some speculation that the lack of signals from the balloon may have been caused by the batteries freezing up. There is some hope that a so-called watchdog circuit will keep the electronics package alive until the batteries have rejuvenated, if they ever do.

There was some hope that BLT-28 may have actually crossed the Atlantic Ocean sometime Monday morning, February 13th, but that has yet to be confirmed either visually or by a resumption of electronic tracking. If the APRS transponder does return to life, it should be transmitting on 144.800 MHz and will eventually appear on various world wide APRS tracking websites such as aprs.fi.

BLT-28 was the latest in a long series of high altitude ham radio balloon launches sponsored South Texas Balloon Launch Team. Their website is in cyberspace at www.w5acm.net. (ARNewsline(tm), Southgate, WB5ITT)

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RADIO LAW: ILLINOIS DISTRACTED DRIVING LAW WONT AFFECT HAM RADIO

Amateur radio as well as 11 Meter CB and several other services have won a complete exemption from a proposed Illinois state law aimed at curtailing the activities of distracted drivers on that states roads and streets. Amateur Radio Newsline's Matthew Chambers, NR0Q, has this follow-up report:

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There were actually two proposed measures before the Illinois state legislature aimed at accomplishing the same thing. As originally written, both House Bill 3972 introduced by Representative John D'Amico and House Bill 3970 by Representative Karen May would have banned the use of all electronic communication devices with a very few limited

exceptions. These were the use of two-way radio by law-enforcement and operators of emergency vehicles; cellphones used in a hands-free or voice-activated mode or in parked vehicles. And that was it.

Now, after consultation with representatives of the Illinois ham radio community, Representative D'Amico has amended his proposal to exclude numerous types of two-way radio based communications from his measure. This, while leaving the original intent of the proposed law aimed which is primeraly aimed at curtailing texting or using a hand-held cellular telephone while ta vehicle is in motion.

Item 7 of the Amended D'Amico measure is the part that's important to the ham radio community. It states that a driver using two-way or citizens band radio services or twoway mobile radio transmitter or receivers for licensees of the Federal Communications Commission in the Amateur Radio Service are exempt from the proposed law. And that's good news for anyone with radio gear in their car driving in or through the state of Illinois.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Matthew Chambers, NR0Q, reporting.

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While this still leaves House Bill 3970 by Representative Karen May as active as originally written, it's believed that this measure will shortly be amended to follow the House Bill 3970, if this has not taken place already. (ARNewsline(tm), others)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: LONG AWAITED VK0HI HEARD ISLAND OPERATION CANCELLED

Jim Linton, VK3PC, reports that Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY, has announced the permanent cancellation of the 2013 VK0HI Heard Island DXpedition. Linton notes that VK3FY was also the team leader of the cancelled DX0DX Spratly Islands DXpedition. VK3PC was serving as the Publicist for the Heard Island 2013 DXpedition. More DX information later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (VK3PC)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W8HVG repeater serving Southern Michigan.

(5 sec pause here)

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WITH NEWSLINE: OUR NEW WEBSITE

Amateur Radio Newsline's new website with its all new look is now on-line and fully operational. One of the new features is that from

this week forward that all newscasts will remain on the very front page as an ongoing audio and text blog. This should make it easy for those who may have missed the previous week need not look anywhere else to find it.

Also, the Young Ham of the Year Award and its associated forms now have their own tab at the top of the front page. Click it and you are at the place where you can download the 2012 nominating form as well as learn about the award programs history.

For now, if you find you are having any problems reaching the site, you can use the temporary URL of arnewsline.squarespace.com. This is because it may take up to a week before all the Domain Name Servers around the world have update www.arnewsline.org to the new host.

Lots more changes will be coming soon to make the overall site easier to navigate. Our thanks to Robert Sudock, WB6FDF; Kevin Trotman, N5PRE and Dale Cary, WD0AKO, for spearheading the new design and for the smooth transition to our new web host Squarespace.

Please check www.arnewsline.org and let us know what you think. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIO LAW: FCC SAYS IT WILL SEEK TO CANCEL LIGHTSQUARED PROPOSED BROADBAND NETWORK

The Federal Communications Commission says that it will seek public comment on revoking LightSquared's permit to build a proposed national high-speed wireless data network. This, after concluding that such a system held the potential in some cases jam personal navigation and other Global Positioning System or GPS devices.

According to news reports, the FCC had seen LightSquared's proposal as a way to make more spectrum available to feed the need of the public and industry for added broadband capability for a wide variety of fixed and mobile devices. But the manufacturers of GPS receivers and those who rely on them feared that GPS signals would suffer from adjacent spectrum interference caused by the proposed LightSquared network.

As previously reported here on Newsline, after conducting tests, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration said that it found interference with dozens of personal navigation devices and aircraft control systems that rely on GPS for positioning. The NTIA concluded that there's no way to eliminate the risk of interference with such GPS devices.

As we go to air, LightSquared, which is based in Reston, Virginia, had not made any comment to the press on this latest development.

(PC World Blog, Yahoo News, Bloomberg News, others)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC REDUCES STUDIO TO TRANSMITTER LINK FINE BY $800

The FCC has reduced a fine for Gila Electronics that was based on a studio-to-transmitter link violation two years ago. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

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During a September 2009 inspection of KUKY - FM located in Wellton, Arizona, agents discovered what appeared to be a 950 MHz Studio to Transmitter or S-T-L that was relaying KUKY programming's main studio in Yuma to its transmitter site near Wellton.

Gila provided the agents with a copy of the license for the relay station which authorized operation on 956.65 MHz as a Private Operational Fixed Point-to-Point Microwave radio station. The licensed location was listed as Telegraph Pass, Arizona near Wellton but the microwave station was installed at the KUKY studio in Yuma, about 15 miles from the licensed location.

In January 2010, the San Diego Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture for $4,000 to Gila for failing to operate the relay at its authorized location and for providing a private carrier service not in accordance with the rules applicable to its particular radio service.

In its response, Gila had not disputed the facts. However it asked for a reduction because it said there were no interference reports from other licensees nor any substantial potential for interference to other users. This based on the sparsely populated desert terrain.

But the FCC was not persuaded by this argument. It noted that the absence of public harm is not considered a mitigating factor in a rule violation. However, the agency did give Gila a break based on the company's past good behavior, noting that the company has not received a prior violation during its more than 20 year history. That's why it cut the fine by $800.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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Gila was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file a further appeal. (FCC)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS NEEDED FOR BOSTON MARATHON COMMUNICATIONS

Bob DeMattia, K1IW, of the Marathon Amateur Radio Communications group tells Amateur Radio Newsline that his organization is still looking for approximately fifty more volunteers. This, to help on the ham radio team at the Boston Marathon.

This years run takes place on Monday, April 16th. Bob says that positions are available in Hopkinton, along the route, and in Boston

itself. If you are a ham living in that area or plan to be at the event, and if you are interested in volunteering, please visit marc.mmra.org on the World-WideWeb.(K1IW)

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RADIO READING: BAY AREA RADIO

Arcadia Publishing is set to release "Bay Area Radio," detailing the key events and history of radio in the San Francisco Bay Area. The book highlights some of the area's early events, including Charles "Doc" Herrold's broadcasts in 1909 from his radio school in San Jose to a young NBC settling its West Coast headquarters in 1926.

"Bay Area Radio" was written by noted radio historian John F. Schneider with assistance from the California Historical Radio Society and the Bay Area Radio Museum. It goes on sale March 5.

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RADIO READING: A DOT OF BUTTER AND A DASH OF SPICE FIELD DAY COOKBOOK

And "A Dot of Butter and a Dash of Spice" is a new cookbook dedicated to Field Day culinary delights from UK amateur Steve Norman, M0MVB. In explaining his new work Norman says that as we all need to eat, he has combined his love of doing field day and of food by writing a BBQ cook book aimed at the ham radio operator. "A Dot of Butter and a Dash of Spice" contains over 100 recipes as well as covering what is the best BBQ to take on field days and loads of other help. Priced at £9.99 British Pounds or $15.75 US dollars, it can be ordered on-line in the United State from Amazon.com and other booksellers. (M0MVB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N6SL SAYS QCWA 40 METER CW NET SPPED LOWERED TO 15 WPM

Some names in the news. First up is Ben Russell, N6SL. He says via the Quarter Century Wireless Association's remailer that to encourage more participation the 40 meter QCWA 40 Meter CW Net hat the code speed has been reduced to approximately 15 words per minute. Russell, who is the Net Control Station, says that this net meets every Wednesday evening at 8 PM Eastern Time on 7 point 035 MHz +/- any QRM. Anyone interested in QCWA and its activities is invited to take part. (N6SL via QCWA Remailer)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: JIM LAPORTA, N1CC, NAMED NEW QCWA GENERAL MANAGER

Jim LaPorta, N1CC, of Marbank, Texas, has been selected as the new General Manager of the Quarter Century Wireless Association. He will

assume the position on or about March 26th. LaPorta replaces Chuck Walbridge, K1IGD, who will be terminating his current contract as General Manager on March 31st after seven years in that position. (N0UF)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAPPY 5th BIRTHDAY TO REC.RADIO.AMATEUR.MODERATED

And a big happy birthday shout-out to the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Usenet newsgroup which will be five years old this month.

The group was founded on February 22, 2007. It was created as a moderated alternative to the chaotic problems on many of the un-moderated newsgroups of the time. Since then it has become a model that other hobby radio Newsgroups are attempting to emulate.

If you haven't participated on Usenet in a while you might want to take a look at rec.radio.amateur.moderated. Its quite a bit more mature than other hobby groups in the Usenet genre.

As an aside, Amateur Radio Newsline has been distributed on rec.radio.amateur.moderated almost since that Newsgroup was formed and we hope that we helped in some way in the group's long term success. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SARL LEAP YEAR CHALLENGE

Hams are invited to take part in the South Africa Radio League-sponsored Leap Year Challenge on Wednesday February 29th. The challenge starts at 00:01 and ends at 23:59 South Africa Time. Modes acceptable include phone, CW and digital activity on all bands including HF, VHF, UHF and microwaves.

The objective is simply to make as many contacts as you can on this day. The rules permit you to work a station once only regardless of band, mode or call sign.

Logs go by e-mail to zs4bfn (at) netactive (dot) co (dot) za and must be received by midnight Friday March 2nd, 2012. A South Africa Radio League membership is up for grabs for the log received with the most QSO's made.

Also this reminder: If you do not take part, you will have to wait until 2016 to put the date February 29th into your logbook! (SARL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur.

>From the United States of America, We are the

Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world

from our only official website at

www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the

volunteer services of the following radio

amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: A SPRAY-ON ANTENNA

Ever found yourself without a signal and wished you could just spray one on like magic? Soon, you may be able to do just that. Michael Grebert, N4OZ is here with more:

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Chamtech Enterprises, of Sandy, Utah, has developed a sprayon antenna material that it says is more lightweight and energy efficient than current technology.

Revealed at Google's inaugural "Solve for X" symposium, the company says than an antenna can be painted onto almost any surface including trees, walls and even on fabrics.

Chamtech says that it is already talking with governmentbased customers, and as such can't give too much detail on how it works. However it has released information that its material uses organic elements that have the ability to interact with magnetic and radio-frequency fields.

The company's Chief Technology Officer is Rhett Spencer. Spencer is quoted as saying the antenna could increase mobile energy efficiency by 10 percent. Also that it was found to work particularly well under water. Observers at the event say that being organic could make it ideal for subaquatic telecommunications infrastructure.

Prelimnary tests on current a generation cell phone showed that the product was able to boost signals by an impressive 20 dbm when painted over the standard internal antenna.

>From our point of view, for ham radio operators living in antenna restricted areas such as apartments or condominiums, the possibilities of a product such as this could be endless. All a ham might need is a bit of imagination and some of the spray-on antenna paint to get on the air with a signal much stronger than from the rubber duckie on his or her HT.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, N4OZ, not far from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

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For more information about the Chamtech spray-on antenna material you can take your web browser to www.chamtechops.com. A video with a talk about the technology involved is on-line at tinyurl.com/spray-onantenna. (N4OZ, FutureTech)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ESA FIRST VEGA LAUNCH A SUCCESS

The maiden voyage of the European Space Agency's new Vega launch vehicle has successfully lofted a research satellite along with eight student built microsats into space.

The first Vega launch took place from the ESA spaceport in Korou, French Guiana at 10:00 UTC on Monday, February 13th. The primary payload was the Italian Space Agency's Laser Relativity Spacecraft. Its primary mission is the measurement of the Lense-Thirring effect, also known as frame-dragging. The satellite may also be used for measurements in the fields of Geodynamics and Satellite geodesy.

The secondary payload of the eight student-built MicroSats will transmit telemetry in the VHF, UHF and microwave amateur bands. One of the tiny birds named PW-Sat includes a voice repeater in addition to its telemetry transponder. Its uplink is at 435.020 MHz with its downlink at145.900 MHz. PW-Sat sends its telemetry using1200 baud packet as well as CW on 435.020 MHz. (ESA, AMSAT)

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RADIO IN SPACE: RUSSIA SAYS RADIATION CAUSED PHOBOS-GRUNT FAILURE

Russia is blaming solar radiation for a computer glitch that doomed its Phobos-Grunt Mars moon mission, but space industry experts cast doubt on the findings of an investigation into the crash of what was to be Moscow's first deep space mission in two decades. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reports:

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The Phobos-Grunt spacecraft was stranded in Earth orbit after launch in November and crashed into the Pacific Ocean in January. Russian Space Agency Chief Vladimir Popovkin said that in the opinion of the commission, the most likely reason for the mishap was the local impact of heavily charged space particles that led to a failure in the memory of the main onboard computer in the second stage of flight.

Popovkin went on to say that foreign-made counterfeit or defective microchips were partly to blame for the failure of the $165-million spacecraft, designed to retrieve soil samples from the Martian moon Phobos. He said that a burst of space radiation caused the onboard computers to reboot and go into standby mode.

But others doubt this to be the case. Rather experts on spaceflight say that Moscow was blaming external factors for the loss of its ambitious Mars mission to distract from chronic failings with its

once-pioneering industry.

Alexander Zakharov, was the mission's lead scientist. He has been quoted as saying that even if this was the true which cannot be completely ruled out because it does happen, then there is some kind of problem with the flight system or the programming, which were not designed to guard against space radiation.

Another space industry source said potentially damaging bursts of radiation were highly unlikely in low-Earth orbit, where hundreds of satellites circle within the protective bubble of the planet's magnetic field.

But Russia's State News Agency has cited an industry source of its own. That unnamed source inferred that the critics are incorrect saying it was absurd to think that the PhobosGrunt had not been made to withstand cosmic rays on its two year interplanetary mission.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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The failure of the Phobos-Grunt spacecraft to leave Earth orbit was the latest in a series of mishaps that have plagued Russua's spavce program the past year. (Various published news reports)

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WORLDBEAT: RADIO AUSTRALIA MAY BE BACK ON THE AIR FROM FIJI

Radio Australia may broadcast again from Fiji. Andy Sennit reports via the Media Network blog that Fiji's coup installed military government has signaled it is looking at allowing Radio Australia to broadcast inside the country again.

Power to the two transmitters, one in Nadi and the other in Suva, was switched off by the interim government in 2009, three years after the 2006 coup led by military commander Frank Bainimarama. But Fiji's permanent secretary of information, Sharon Smith Johns told Pacific Beat's Geraldine Coutts that she is looking at reversing the policy. (Media Network)

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In DX, Albania will be on the air during the 2012 CQ WPX SSB Contest. This with word that TA1HZ will operate from that nation as ZA1TC for the period of March 23rd to the 26th that includes the contest weekend. During his spare time outside the contest he will try to work some PSK31, especially on 30m band. Details and QSL info is on www.qrz.com.

Lastly, HA5PP will be active from Malta as 9H3PP

on May 26th and 27th during the CQ W W WPX CW

Contest as a SingleOperator Single-Band entry.

Activity outside of the contest will be on 6 and

12 meters, and possibly s 17 meters as well. QSL

via HA5PP.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: COORDINATING THE SUPERBOWL

And finally this week, a tale of frequency coordination to the stars. Not the stars in the sky but those on the football field at this years Superbowl. It's also the story of the part played in the process by a number of Hoosier state radio amateurs. Here's Jack Parker, W8ISH:

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INDY SUPER BOWL HAMS

Actuality Audio: "Check one two three four.This is about a team an organization.I've just gone from hotel to stadium..It was a great experience oversall."

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>From mic checks to Manning to Madonna to the man on the street the airwaves around downtown Indianapolis were full of frequencies from over 3500 hundred transmitters. For two weeks prior to Super Bowl 46, and through the game itself, hundreds of radio and television stations were vying for radio spectrum in their efforts to cover the greatest show in professional football.

Keeping interference to a minimum is the job of the Super Bowl Frequency Coordination Committee. It is a team of 46 six, including 17 Amateur Radio operators from central Indiana. Their mission was to log, tag and tune all wireless transmitters from broadcast media from around the world.

As Super Bowl Sunday approached the job of preventing interference became a super task. The Indianapolis Super Bowl village, Lucas Oil Stadium and major hotels are located in a one mile square area. According to one volunteer, that is a lot of RF in a small area.

According to organizers the area of frequency control was expanded on game day stretching out about 30 miles into the suburbs of central Indiana.

The bottom line for all this effort, was to make sure the radio transmitters to each quarterback on the field was interference free throughout Super Bowl 46.

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Actuality Audio: "Check one two..two..everyones good."

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Reporting from Indianapolis, I'm Jack Parker, W8ISH.

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Radio frequency coordination has become an important part of many broadcast sports, but few other than the Olympics require the amount of spectrum as does the Superbowl each year. (W8ISH)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW and I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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172. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 17 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-18 01:57:14 UTC
From: atec77 <atec77@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <jhn0hu$fl0$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3689
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

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On 18/02/2012 1:27 AM, Richard G3CWI wrote:
> On Feb 17, 11:51 am, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
> <newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
>
>> RSGB Director resigns
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>> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-LDancxKM64/rsgb_d...
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>> David Aslin, G3WGN, has decided to leave the RSGB's Interim Board
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> He didn't stay long...
four legged furries abondoning a sinking shop ?

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X-No-Archive: Yes
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173. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 18 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-18 11:24:53 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2359276ce20104b93b4ead@google.com>
Source record: 3690
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS - Special John Glenn event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/shNxnGZaZbw/ariss_special_john_glenn_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the
Special John Glenn event, State Records Office of Western Australia, Perth,
Western Australia, Australia on Mon 20th February at 10:23:01 UTC via AH6NM

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TV News - Students work the radio dial to win a national contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JHDKvs900wI/students_work_the_radio_dial_to_win_a_national_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The William Byrd High School amateur radio club, WB4HS, are attempting to
repeat their success last October in winning the School Club Roundup Contest

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Twin Radio Supply's Frank Firth still fixing in Gorseinon after 75 years

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oC2V1l08Hv8/twin_radio_supply.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When Frank Firth first opened his electrical repair shop in 1937, George VI
had just become King and Neville Chamberlain Prime Minister

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RSGB launches two consultations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dl7rQawCo54/rsgb_launches_two_consultations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB will shortly be introducing two new consultations to draw Members
into the RSGB policy creation process. Some topics will also be open to
non-Members

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XD-r8mI2yTk/february_18.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ER1vE4bLGy0/dxcc_report_1802.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Friday,
10th-February, through Friday, 17th-February there were 223 countries active

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/au6GnQPpglI/february_18.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are over half way through the winter season, and February 17 was 58 days
after the winter solstice. Propagation should improve as we approach the
vernal equinox on March 20, which is just 32 days from now

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9th AAW Activity

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Gpl1RW9RWZs/9th_aaw_activity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

How in its ninth year, the Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) now boasts over 40
special event stations world-wide

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Bill Simons W9BB SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/t0EUOLdeH-o/bill_simons_w9bb_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

William A. Simons, W9BB (ex-W9YXJ), a developer of the Shure 440/444
microphone, passed away in Minnesota on January 2, 2012 at the age of 84

174. SARL News in English 18/2/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-18 16:05:28 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <CBCD8A030FE348C899388C7075855DF8@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3691
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. PLEASE NOTE: for audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with deep regret that the passing of Victor le Grange, ZR6VLG, on Tuesday 14 February 2012 at the age of 71 is announced.

We extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

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In the news today:

AMATEUR RADIO GETS A NEW BAND AND AN AGENDA ITEM ON THE WRC-2015 AGENDA

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION BOOKING NOW OPEN

SAAMSAT TO UPDATE ON KLETSKOUS CUBESAT NOW ONLINE

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

AMATEUR RADIO GETS A NEW BAND AND AN AGENDA ITEM ON THE WRC-2015 AGENDA

It's official! Delegates attending the 2012 World Radio Communication Conference have approved a new 7 kilohertz wide secondary allocation between 472-479 kHz for the Amateur Radio Service. Agenda Item 1.23 had both its first and second readings in Plenary Session on Tuesday, February 14; to become part of the ITU's Radio Regulations, each Agenda Item must be read twice in Plenary Session. While the Final Acts was signed on Friday, February 17 at the close of the Conference, the new allocation will not take effect until it is entered into the Radio Regulations. No date has been set for this, but it is unlikely to be earlier than January 1, 2013. No amateur may use the band until ICASA

has revised and published the table of amateur frequency allocations.

"This is a fantastic achievement for the Amateur Radio Service," IARU President Tim Ellam. VE6SH, said. "A new allocation for spectrum is always something that should be celebrated. The success on this issue is due to the hard work over the last four years from our IARU representatives, as well as the volunteers from the numerous IARU Member-Societies who have worked within the ITU process on behalf of their national administrations. This is excellent work from our team in Geneva, and from those who have assisted from their home countries."

Agenda Item 1.23 originally called for a 15-kilohertz-wide spectrum in parts of the band 415-526,5 kHz, taking into account the need to protect existing services. The initial idea was 495-510 kHz, but according to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, this was in conflict with the Maritime Mobile Service. WRC-12 delegates approved Agenda Item 1.10, which called for a worldwide exclusive allocation to the Maritime Mobile Service of 495-505 kHz. Discussion of this allocation to Maritime Mobile "has been in the works throughout the conference preparation (i.e. since 2008)," Sumner explained, "and was the reason why the MF amateur allocation could not be made in this band as some amateurs had hoped. That's why we had to look elsewhere and is what put us in conflict with aeronautical radio navigation."

According to Colin Thomas, G3PSM, CEPT Coordinator for Agenda Item 1.23, WRC-12 delegates moved forward early in the Conference with what he called a "compromise proposal" for the new allocation. "Progress was made with a compromise proposal on Agenda Item 1.23, drafted to take into consideration the views of those for and those against an Amateur Service allocation around 500 kHz. This proposal suggested a 7-kilohertz segment between 472-479 kHz, very close to the CEPT position of 472-480 kHz."

The new allocation calls for a worldwide secondary allocation to the Amateur Service at 472-479 kHz, with a power limit of 1 W EIRP. A provision has been made, however, for administrations to permit up to 5 W EIRP for stations located more than 800 km from certain countries that wish to protect their aeronautical radio navigation service (non-directional beacons) from any possible interference.

One of the responsibilities of each WRC delegation is to set the agenda for the next WRC. WRC-12 delegates approved an Amateur Radio-related agenda item for the upcoming WRC-15: To consider the possibility of making an allocation of an appropriate amount of spectrum, not necessarily contiguous, to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis within the band 5 250-5 450 kHz. This will be Agenda Item 1.4 at WRC-15.

"It is always a challenge to have items placed on the agenda for future WRCs," IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, said. "I am pleased that we were successful in having an Agenda Item for a potential allocation at 5 MHz on a secondary basis. There will be much work to do over the next

ITU study group cycle. Much appreciation is owed to the IARU and the national delegation teams in Geneva for their hard work on this issue."

SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION BOOKING NOW OPEN

Book now for the SARL National convention which will be held in Pinetown from 20 to 22 April 2012. Full details are now online at www.sarl.org.za, including the registration form. On the Friday evening, at the "getting to know you" finger supper, there will be an interesting presentation on how South Africa's electronics Industry started in Pinetown. The Saturday afternoon session will include two presentations covering the building of VHF antennas and the Logbook of the world.

SAAMSAT TO UPDATE ON KLETSKOUS CUBESAT NOW ONLINE

Download an interview with Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP reporting on the progress made on SA AMSAT's KletsKOUS CubeSat project, from www.amsatsa.org.za. SA AMSAT has launched a fundraising campaign and is asking Radio Amateurs to make financial contributions to the project.

TEXAS AMATEURS MAKE WORLD RECORD BALLOON ATTEMPT

A group of Radio Amateurs hopes to establish a world distance record for an unmanned helium-filled balloon. The BLT-28 balloon will undertake a journey across the Atlantic and the Mediterranean, and then on to Nanjing, China. The South Texas Balloon Launch Team released the balloon on 11 February from Katy, Texas, just outside of Houston.

During the trans-Atlantic crossing, when out of range of shore based stations, the balloon's APRS beacon will operate on the International Space Station (ISS) packet digipeater frequency of 145,825 MHz. The balloon payload package weighs only about 5 ounces and contains a high altitude GPS tracking system and a 144 MHz FM APRS Amateur Radio transmitter. To conserve weight and battery life, no camera equipment is on board. The maximum altitude is expected to be above 26 km, with horizontal speeds of between 160-180 km per hour.

NEW SATELLITES REACH ORBIT

On 13 February a European Space Agency Vega rocket lifted off from Kourou, French Guiana on its inaugural flight. It carried the Laser Relativity Spacecraft to orbit, along with eight student-built MicroSats and CubeSats. The student satellites will transmit telemetry in the VHF, UHF and microwave amateur bands, with one satellite also including a voice repeater.

Here are the details: ALMASat-1 from the University of Bologna, Italy, transmitting 1 200-baud packet data at 437,465 and 2 407,850 MHz. Xatcobeo, a collaboration between the University of Vigo and INTA, Spain, transmitting telemetry at 437,365 and 145,940 MHz. Robusta, from the University of Montpellier, France transmitting 1 200-baud packet telemetry at 437,325 MHz with one 20-second data burst every 3 minutes.

E-St@r, a project of Politecnico di Torino, Italy, sending 1 200-baud packet telemetry at 437,445 MHz. Goliat, from the University of Bucharest, Romania, transmitting 1 200-baud packet data at 437,485 MHz. PW-Sat from the Warsaw University of Technology, Poland, which includes a voice repeater mode in addition to its telemetry functions. The voice repeater will listen for transmissions at 435,020 MHz FM and retransmit at 145,900 MHz SSB. PW-Sat telemetry will be sent as 1 200-baud packet and CW at 435,020 MHz. MaSat-1 from the Budapest University of Technology and Economics, sending 625/1 250 bps GFSK data at 437,345 MHz. Ground station software is available here. UniCubeSat GG from the University of Rome, which will transmit 9 600-baud data at 437,305 MHz.

South African Radio Amateurs are encouraged to listen out for the satellites and send reports to amsatsa@intekom.co.za.

AMERICAN AMATEURS ARE LOOKING FOR CONTACT WITH ANY ONE IN SOUTH AFRICA ON 17 METER

Recently amateurs in the USA have been requesting contacts with South Africa on 17 meter, as it is a long time since some of them heard any one in Africa or South Africa on 17 meter. The 17 meter band is normally quite open to USA from 21:00 till 23:00 CAT. Sometimes 17 meter is open for longer periods. Recently US stations have been heard in South Africa with signals of between 59 and 44 depending on the station. 17 meter is also open from South Africa to the Far East and Europe between 16:00 and 18:30 CAT.

COMPETITION NEWS

SARL Digital Contest. The first in the series of SARL Digital Contests will be on the air on Sunday 26 February from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC with PSK and RTTY activity on 20, 40 and 80 metres. The exchange is a RST report and a serial number starting at 001 and stations maybe contacted twice per band, once on PSK and once on RTTY. Find the full set of rules on page 57 of the 2012 SARL Contest Manual.

SARL National Field Day logs. The closing date for logs for the February leg of the SARL National Field Day is midnight Sunday 19 February - that is tonight! By Friday 17 February logs had been received from ZS6XT, ZS6A, ZS6BNE, ZS2EC, ZS4BFN, ZS6STN, ZS4B, ZS3R, ZS5ZLB, ZS6WR, ZS6AWW and ZS4BS.

If you made 1 QSO or 100 QSOs, please submit your log by midnight. Send it by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za. You may have the winning entry!

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a slight chance of M-class activity. Hopefully old region 1 408 will improve matters when it rotates into view in the next couple of days.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 50.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m and especially 15 m will provide lots of DX fun with 10 m only opening sporadically due to the low solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

19 February, Today! - last day for submitting logs for SARL field day contest. 20 February, Tomorrow! - Last day for submission of logs for Antique Wireless Association ty day. 26 February - SARL digital contest. 29 February - Leap year Challenge from 00:01 till 23:59. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

Remember, nominations for SARL awards, which will be presented at the gala dinner which will take place over the weekend of the 2012 SARL AGM may still be submitted. Send nominations to secretary@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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175. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 19 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-19 11:30:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340c43f00d1104b94f8065@google.com>
Source record: 3692
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Special John Glenn event, State Records Office of Western Australia, Perth, Australia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Xw_w8xoouYQ/ariss_event_2002.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Special John Glenn event, State Records Office of Western Australia, Perth, Western Australia, Australia on 20 February

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ROAR, Rotarians Of Amateur Radio - special event

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Pertti, EA7GSU is the President of ROAR, Rotarians Of Amateur Radio. Pertti's Rotary District Governor has asked him to be on the air on Thursday the 23rd of February

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MASAT-1 designated MagyarSat-OSCAR-72 (MO-72)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Tc8huJzDqeo/masat_1_designated_mo72.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

OSCAR Number Administrator Bill Tynan, W3XO reports, Congratulations on the successful launch of the MaSat-1 Cubesat that the team at Budapest University of Technology and Economics have been responsible for designing, building and testing

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gQ-FreL1GZA/february_19.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Desolder SMD without special tools

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This YouTube video gives suggestions on how to unsolder Surface Mount Devices

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Rockets and People: The Moon Race

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Fr2WCldcsb4/rockets_and_people.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA's History Program Office has released the 4th volume of the English translation of Russian space pioneer Boris Chertok's highly acclaimed memoirs, Rockets and People: The Moon Race

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Belgium Amateurs embrace social media

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On February 4, 2012 the Board of Directors of the national amateur radio society of Belgium, the UBA, took the decision to embrace social media

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SARL Digital Contest

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The first in the series of South African Radio League (SARL) Digital Contests will be on the air on Sunday 26 February from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC with PSK and RTTY activity on 20, 40 and 80 metres

176. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 19th February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-19 21:00:12 UTC
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Source record: 3693
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 19th February 2012

Echo Ireland

Members will receive the February issue of Echo Ireland within the next few days. A number of events associated with the society's 80th anniversary celebrations are covered, including the upcoming CQIR contest, the EI80IRTS Award and, of course, details of the 80th Annual General Meeting weekend, taking place on 21st/22nd April.

Anthony EI2KC brings us up to date with DXing, propagation and band conditions with his "HF Happenings" column, while another regular column "Excerpts from the HX Files" deals with the construction of a 23cms transceiver for ATV use.

John EI7IG, among others, writes about the results of research into networking protocols used in emergency communications. Communications of an entirely different type are the subject of an article by Steve EI5DD on QRSS (very slow CW) experiments and their value in propagation studies. Meanwhile Paul EI5DI has a very forthright article on amateur radio, remote control and the Internet.

The new Echo Ireland also includes details of the revised HAREC examination format, updates from radio clubs, details of forthcoming activities and plenty more.

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

Tickets for the AGM dinner on Saturday April 21st are selling fast. The event this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, www.ei7dar.com. Dinner tickets are just 32, this is a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. As dinner tickets and rooms are distributed on a first come first served basis, you are encouraged and advised to act now to avoid disappointment. The annual rally, on Sunday April 22nd, will also have its favourites and many new and novel exhibitors. This is a must attend event in the 80th Anniversary year of your national society, www.irts.ie.

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos, EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. The Fairways Hotel can be contacted on 042 9321500 or www.fairways.ie.

Success at WRC-12

With the signing of the Final Acts of WRC-12 on Friday last, 17th February, the amateur service had a new global secondary allocation at 472 to 479 kHz. This is the culmination of ten years of lobbying of Administrations by IARU Societies worldwide which started when the question of an MF allocation was raised at the IARU Region 1 Conference in 2002 in San Marino.

The maritime mobile service is the primary user in the band 435 to 495 kHz and the aeronautical radio navigation service also uses the band 415 to 495 kHz . The amateur service must cause interference to these services. Ensuring the protection of these services by a block of countries was one of the reasons why the proposal had a very difficult passage through the WRC decision making process. In fact the proposal was not agreed until it had reached Committee 4, the final authority before the Plenary sessions.

There is a fairly long list of countries that signed up to a footnote permitting them not to allow amateur operation in the 472 to 479 kHz segment

The power level is to be 1 watt EIRP but countries more than 800 kilometres from a list of specified countries can increase this to 5 watts EIRP at their discretion. While the new allocation became effective on the signing of the Final Acts of the Conference it will be a matter for each Administration to determine when amateurs will have access to the new band as well as the modes and bandwidths that may be used.

Another bit of good news from the Conference is that a first reading of the Graft Agenda for WRC-15 was approved. It includes item 1.4 which proposes consideration of an amateur service allocation around 5.3 MHz at the next WRC.

Credit must be given to the IARU societies throughout the world that have worked on these two projects for the best part of 10 years. We should make special mention of Colin Thomas G3PSM, Chairman of the IARU Region 1 External Relations Committee, who was appointed CEPT Coordinator for the MF allocation item and who has done tremendous work in this capacity over a number of years to achieve a CEPT Common Position on the item which contributed in no small way to the successful outcome at WRC-12.

IRTS Request for Return of Trophies

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2011 IRTS, AGM in Limerick.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2012.

This will allow for engraving to be done and allow for repairs if necessary.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX at ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/net

Nominations For Awards for IRTS Trophies.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for, 1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2 Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Jim EI4HH, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/ net

Closing date for nominations is 29th February 2012.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 27 February at 8:00 p.m. in the Roanmore GAA Club, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. Members are asked to attend and as always, visitors are welcome.

Please note that membership renewals for 2012 are now due. Membership costs 30 Euro and is available at a reduced rate of 20 Euro for pensioners, students and the unemployed. Please pass your payment on to any committee member or you can renew at the AGM on 27 February. Those who paid in November or December are fully paid up for 2012.

For information about the group, visit www.searg.com and you can also follow SEARG on Facebook and Twitter.

IRTS Region 4

Radio theory classes will be starting in February depending on numbers. If you are interested please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB on 087-2532512 or ei4gxb / at/ gmail/ dot/ com

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Limerick Radio Club.

The following officers were elected at the Limerick Radio Club AGM held on 8 February: Chairman: Simon Kenny EI7ALB Hon Sec: Ger McNamara EI4GXB Treasurer: Tony Condon EI2AW Committee: Dermot Gleeson EI2GT John Edgeworth EI6IW Mike Griffin EI4FMB Alan Cronin EI8EM

Trustees Michael Kingston EI2IX Dermot Gleeson EI2GT Tom O'Sullivan EI3AL

Rally: Limerick Radio Club rally will be held on Sunday March 11th 2012 at the Radisson Blue Hotel on the Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11am and all the usual traders will attend. Bring and Buy tables can be ordered from Dermot Gleeson EI2GT.

GI HF Conference and DiGIcon in 2009,

West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is planning another Conference to be held on Saturday 16th June, 2012. A few speakers have already been secured for the Conference and we are currently working on the program for the day. As there are still a few slots available, if you feel that you could enhance the program by giving a talk, demonstration or workshop, please contact Philip MI�MSO to express your interest. Contact details are mi0mso /at/ yahoo.co.uk or 077 9338 6795

DX News

EA5BYP and EA5KM will be active as 3C6A from Bioko Island in the DXCC entity of Equatorial Guinea from 22 - 26 February. They will then travel to the separate DXCC entity of Annobon Island where they will sign 3C0E from 28 February until 11 March. For the IOTA chasers the reference numbers are AF-010 for Bioko Island and AF-039 for Annobon Island. QSLs go via EA5BYP.

Bill W0OR is at present in Guatemala studying Spanish and in his spare time gets on the air as TG/W0OR. He will be there until 26 March.

Two operators are very QRV from Ascension Island from now until 28 February. They are Jim N6TJ signing ZD8Z and Rick N6ND signing ZD8R.

Dave G3TBK will be active again as J88DR from St Vincent in the Caribbean. He will be there until 14 March on the HF bands with emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL to his home call.

Phil G3SWH and John EA5ARC will be QRV as 3DA0PW in Swaziland from 21 - 29 February . This will be a CW only expedition. The QTH which is the Hawane Resort is the same location as the 2007 IRTS DXpedition to

Swaziland.

Summits On The Air

Perhaps it's a sign of Spring: we have heard a number of summit activations over the past week. Victor GI4ONL and Victor MI0JST were on the Antrim hills last weekend, firstly on Knocklayd and then they QSYed to Trostan, the highest of the Antrim Hills. Operation was on both VHF and HF, with the HF operation from both summits producing pile-ups. The two Victors have announced that they plan to be active this weekend from the Sperrins.

Meanwhile Phil ON4TA is back in Ireland for the third year running. Phil was active from the Wicklow hills this week and plans to activate some of the Connemara summits later in the month.

Talk on Amateur Television

As Part of Engineers Week members of South Dublin Radio Club will be giving a talk on Amateur Television on Thursday 1st of March. Rather than taking place where the club normally meets this will take place as part of a range of talks on Technology and will be held in Dublin city centre. More details are on the venues website: http:///www.tog.ie

Every Tuesday the club will continue to demostrate the new television repeater as part of the normal weekly meetings.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

177. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-012E - ARES reflector address changes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-20 02:21:18 UTC
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-012E - ARES reflector address changes
2012-02-19

To more accurately correspond to the names we use for our reflectors,
the following changes are announced effective immediately. Thanks to
Neil Herber, VE3PUE for his efforts on our behalf.

- ares_alerts@eton.ca *remains the same*

- ares_sec_dec_ec@eton.ca is changed to ares_chat@eton.ca

- racamberalert@eton.ca is changed to raran_on@eton.ca

- racamberalertbc@eton.ca is changed to raran_bc@eton.ca

Please note that Neil has created aliases so that the "old" addresses
will work until everyone is changed over. There will be no changes for
persons receiving these bulletins except for those who filter their
incoming mail.

73

Doug Mercer, VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer - Radio Amateurs of Canada Inc.

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

178. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 20 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-20 11:19:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f23535b83ee4104b963745e@google.com>
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D-Star in Namibia V53W

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/b0vmeAbCUSA/dstar_in_namibia_v53w.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hams in Windhoek, Namibia now have a D-Star repeater. Thanks to the help of Jochen DL1YBL and Hans-Juergen DL5DI it was possible to get the D-Star repeater up and running

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2011 CQ DX Marathon News - High Claimed Scores

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John, K9EL, DX Marathon Administrator, reports: "High Claimed scores for the 2011 DX Marathon sponsored by CQ Magazine are now available on the DX Marathon Web site"

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3rd round of Cubesat Space Mission Candidates

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On February 14, 2012 NASA issued a press release officially listing AMSAT-NA and all of the other 32 small satellites selected to fly in 2013 and 2014 as auxiliary payloads

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South America Lighthouse Weekend

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Look for a number of amateur radio stations to be active during the South America Lighthouse Weekend (February 24-26th)

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Talk on Amateur Television

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As part of Engineers Week members of South Dublin Radio Club will be giving
a talk on Amateur Television on Thursday 1st of March

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IOTA Dinner Banquet Visalia Convention

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The 17th annual IOTA Dinner will be held in conjunction with the 63rd
annual Visalia International DX Convention

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Aurora Surprise

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A solar wind stream hit Earth's magnetic field on February 18th, sparking a
surprisingly widespread display of auroras

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ARES reflector address changes

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To more accurately correspond to the names we use for our reflectors, the
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Perth celebrates 50 years as City of Light

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Perth will today mark 50 years since it was dubbed the City of Light by an
American astronaut. The celebrations will include a live amateur radio
hook-up to the International Space Station

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Clubs and Training information on the RSGB website: A reminder

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As you may have noticed, the RSGB have been trialling an interactive map
for finding clubs and training on their website

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History This Week

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/igODRc17_2w/history_20_february.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

179. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 19th February 2012

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 19th February 2012

The news headlines:

New worldwide 472kHz band created

David Aslin, G3WGN leaves RSGB Interim Board

GI HF Conference and DiGIcon announced for June

After more than ten years work by the RSGB, other national societies and a huge effort by IARU, the World Radio Conference has created a new amateur band at 472 to 479 kHz. In addition, the Amateur Service has secured an agenda slot for WRC 2015 to consider a band near 5.3MHz. These achievements are in the same category as work which, in past years, resulted in the WARC bands, the extension of 7MHz, and the 136kHz band. The Society is beginning discussions with Ofcom on how and when the new 472kHz band might be implemented. We will also address the question of the existing 500kHz NoVs that expire at the end of February. The Society will shortly begin work with the IARU to prepare for the 5MHz agenda item.

RSGB Chairman Bob Whelan, G3PJT, reports that David Aslin, G3WGN, has decided to leave the Interim Board. David has reluctantly concluded that the heavy demands of the RSGB cannot be reconciled with his other responsibilities. During his short time on the Board, David has been able to bring his wide experience to bear on the challenges facing the Society, for which we are grateful. He leaves with our very best wishes for the future.

Following the success of DiGIcon in 2009 and last year's GI HF Conference, West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club is planning another Conference. It will be held on Saturday 16 June 2012. A number of speakers have already been secured for the Conference, and the organisers are currently working on the programme. There are still a few slots available. Do you feel that you could enhance the program by giving a talk, demonstration or workshop? If so, contact Philip, MI0MSO on 07793 386 795, or email mi0mso@yahoo.co.uk to express your interest.

ESA's Vega launcher made its maiden flight at 10:00 UT on Monday 13 February. The payload included eight Cubesats with amateur radio downlinks. Reception reports started coming in within two hours of launch; the first reports from the UK were at about 12.07. One of the Cubesats, PW-Sat, includes a voice repeater. Its uplink is on 435.020MHz

and the downlink is at 145.900MHz. More details on the satellite missions, including operating frequencies, can be found at www.uk.amsat.org.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

We are not aware of any rallies planned for this weekend.

On Sunday 26 February the Rainham Radio Rally takes place at the Rainham School for Girls, Derwent Way, Rainham, Gillingham ME8 0BX. The opening tim is 10am. Details from Trevor, G6YLW, on 07717 678 795.

A reminder that the Swansea Rally, planned for 26 February, has been cancelled. Details from Roger, GW4HSH, on 01792 404 422.

Now for the news of special events

GB2PP will be operating today on 80, 40 and 2m from Co Londonderry, in support of the Phoenix Project for ADHD. Details can be found on QRZ.com.

Coventry Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB4WWR on 26 February to commemorate the Daventry Experiment. The station will be at the Birth of Radar memorial in Litchborough, on the Northampton Road, approximately 2.5 miles South of Weedon. The NGR is SP650 557. Activity will be on 80, 40 and 20m, SSB. More information from G8GMU on 07801 862 686.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Chris Dimitrijevic, VK3FY, has announced the permanent cancellation of the 2013 VK0HI Heard Island DXpedition.

Dave, G3TBK will be active from the Caribbean Island of St Vincent as J88DR until 15 March. This will include an entry in the Commonwealth Contest, as well as both the CW and SSB sections of the ARRL DX Contest. Operation will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, on all bands from 1.8 to 28MHz. QSL to G3TBK, either direct or through the RSGB Bureau. Please ensure bureau cards are marked via G3TBK.

Laura, F4GEJ, Mathias, F0GQX and Eric, F5NBK will be on a family DXpedition to the Dominican Republic from 22 to 29 February. They will be signing HI7/homecall. Operation will be mainly SSB and digital, from Punta Cana on the island's east coast. QSLs to home call, direct or via the French bureau. Details are on QRZ.com.

Now the contest news

Today is the second day of the ARRL International DX Contest, which takes place for the whole 48 hours of the weekend. Operation is CW only, from the 1.8 to 28MHz bands. The exchange is RST plus TX power, although W stations send their State and VE stations send their Province.

Tuesday the 21st sees the 1.3GHz UKAC, running from 2000 to 2230 on the 23cm band. Operation is all mode, and the exchange is RST, serial number

and locator.

The 80m Club Championships CW leg continues on Thursday 23rd from 2000 to 2130. RST and serial number form the exchange.

The CQ WW 160m DX Contest runs for 48 hours from 2200 on Friday 24th. Operation is on 160m only, SSB, and the exchange is RS, serial number and CQ Zone, which is 14 for the UK. W stations send their State and VE stations send their Province.

The French REF Contest runs for 36 hours from 0600 on Saturday 25th. Work French stations only, sending a report and serial number. Expect to receive a report and a Department code, or a prefix from French overseas territories.

Sunday 26 February sees the first 70MHz Cumulative, which runs from 1000-1200, 70MHz only, on all modes. The exchange is RST plus serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 10th to Thursday the 16th of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 17th of February.

First this week the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers which are for May, June and July 2011 and are 47.6, 53.2 and 57.2 respectively.

Sunspot groups were visible every day, with five visible on the 12th. Most groups were small and quiet, even the larger groups were magnetically simple. Due to this solar activity was only low at first and then declined to very low levels from the 13th. Solar flux levels declined from 112 units on the 11th to 103 by the 16th. The average was 108 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 16th was 132 units, that's four units down on last week. In fact, at the start of the year the 90 day solar flux average stood at 145 units. X-ray flux levels averaged B2.1 units and varied little day to day. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels with an Ap index of only 3 units on the 12th, but by the 14th a coronal mass ejection had arrived and lasted all of the next day. Even thought the disturbance was weak, a respectable Ap index of 25 units was recorded on the 15th, this was due to a long period of southward orientation of the magnetic Bz component of the solar wind. The average was 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 300 and 470 kilometres per second. Particle densities were very low every day throughout the period. Bz varied between minus 3 and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 9 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the 15th. From early evening of the 14th and again from noon to late evening on the 15th, a radio aurora took place for European operators, though largely confined to high latitudes. MUFs dropped by some 30 per cent below recent values, with east-west and high-latitudes paths particularly degraded. Recovery was under way during the 16th, though the higher bands were still very patchy.

And finally the solar forecast. This week will see the quiet side of the Sun rotating into view. Therefore, solar activity is expected to be very low to low. Solar flux levels should be not much higher than 100 units. Geomagnetic activity is expected to very quiet for the first half of the week but towards next weekend, activity could increase slightly due to a small coronal hole. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 27MHz for the south and 24MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 31MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 25MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1200 to 1700 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Monday 20 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a newcomers night and informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 20 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 20 February South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 20 February Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Andy Thomas, entitled A Russian Odyssey. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 21 February Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a video night. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 21 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 1.3GHz UKAC. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 21 February Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is flying paper planes. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 21 February Wythall Radio Club is having a visit by P R Hall Embroidery to discuss club merchandise. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 22 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a formal meeting from 20.15. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 22 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is making field day plans, checking equipment and running training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 22 February South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 22 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society invites members to bring and explain any physics oddities they may know. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 23 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running its simplex club net on 145.375MHz and taking part in the 3.5MHz Club Contest CW. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 23 February Salop Amateur Radio Society is watching John's home movies. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 23 February Solihull Amateur Radio Society is having presentation and discussion on electric vehicles by Phil�Barber, M0PBA. Details from P T Gaskin, G8AYY, on 01216 287 383.

On Thursday 23 February South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 24 February Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening for HF, VHF and UHF. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 24 February South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 25 February Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a field day using the club callsign M0LFC. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Saturday 25 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack from nine till noon. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Monday 20 February Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 20 February Bolton Wireless Club Local is having a talk on QRM cancellation by Stephen, G3OAG. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 20 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club Talk is having a talk on fossils by John Collins, G8JHG. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 20 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on power supply design by G3WBB. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 21 February Chester & District Radio Society is having a talk on antennas and propagation from VLF to VHF by Dr Brian Austin. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 21 February Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Special Operations Executive by Bill, G4IOD. Details from Anthony Vinters, G0WFG, on 01422 822 636.

On Tuesday 21 February Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a film night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 21 February Stockport Radio Society is having a talk on avionics by Kieron Murphy, M5KJM and Peter Ridley, M1PTR. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 22 February Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530.

On Wednesday 22 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is looking at component behaviour with frequency. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 22 February Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. More information from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Wednesday 22 February Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday 23 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest CW. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 23 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Contest from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday 23 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on Magical Morse by Bill, G4NOL. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 23 February Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting is on the air. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 24 February East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 24 February Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is looking at the vertical Moxon antenna. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 25 February Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation course from 13:30. Contact Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI, on 07748

221 855.

NORTHERN IRELAND

On Thursday 23 February Greenisland Electronics Amateur Radio Society is having an enrolment night for its new 10-week Intermediate Course. The meeting is at Knockagh Lodge, 236 Upper Road, Greenisland. Details from Peter Lowrie, MI5JYK, by email to mi5jyk@rsgb.org.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 21 February Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 22 February Glenrothes & DRC is having a chaired discussion to highlight members' radio interests and activities. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Wednesday 22 February Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on modifying PC PSUs for radio applications by Brian Flynn, GM8BJF. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 23 February Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a Morse class. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

We start with advance notice that The South Essex Amateur Radio Society is changing its meeting day and moving to a new venue next month. From 13 March, meetings will be at the Members Bar of the Island Yacht Club, Point Road, Canvey Island, SS8 7TX. The monthly meetings will be on the second Tuesday of the month, instead of Wednesdays. For more information contact Dave Speechley, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978 or see www.southessex-ars.co.uk.

On Monday 20 February Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a construction evening. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 20 February Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having part 2 of the BBC talk by Tony Crake, G0OVA. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 20 February East Kent Radio Society is having a talk by Bob, 2E0ATZ. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 20 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running its club net on GB3NB from 19.30. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 20 February Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a discussion on auto ATUs, led by Pat, G4FDN. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 21 February Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is chatting with its twin town radio club, Ortsverband Bamberg, B05, on 7.127 +-QRM. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to

g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 21 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 21 February Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is planning the programme for 2012. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 21 February Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running its club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 21 February Verulam Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday 22 February Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding its AGM and having an SDR demo by Wilf, M0GYE. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 22 February Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on satellite communications and project OSCAR by Chris, M0DQO. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday 22 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the bells and whistles of the modern transceiver by Malcolm, G3PDH. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday 23 February Bittern DX Group Club is holding an event planning meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 23 February Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having an illustrated talk on the T32C story by Justin Snow, G4TSH. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 23 February Edgware & District Radio Society is having a talk on the Wright Brothers and others by Mike Stewart, G4RNW. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 23 February Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 23 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship CW. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday 23 February Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Bletchley Park by G4JTR and G4JNU. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 23 February Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Gary M6PLT on TCP/IP and DNS. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 24 February Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Mark, G4AXX on T32C propagation. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 24 February Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Graham, M0NSA on APRS. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 24 February Radio Society of Harrow is holding a technical clinic for checking the state of your transmitter at The Elsie Fischer Room, St Lawrence Centre, St Lawrence Church, 2 Bridle Road, Eastcote, Pinner HA5 2SJ. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 24 February Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Sunday 26 February Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 20 February Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is going back to basics with Laurence, G4XHK. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Monday 20 February Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a talk on internet linking, IRLP & gateways. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 22 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 23 February South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding an open house and on the air night. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Friday 24 February Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 24 February Torbay Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Sunday 19 February Porthmadog and District Amateur Radio Society is re-starting its weekly net at 1900 on GB3DW using the club callsign, MC0GQO. The society meets on the third Thursday of the month at Porthmadog Yacht Club. Contact details are at www.PDARS.co.uk.

On Monday 20 February Dragon Amateur Radio Club is using the club antenna analyser. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 21 February Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a `do you remember?' session with Pat, GW0WER. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

On Thursday 23 February Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air on 145.500 then 145.550MHz. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Thursday 23 February Marches Amateur Radio Society members looking at power supply theory, fault finding and repair. Details from Marc, 2W0MDG, on 07590 038 866 or on the newly updated club website at www.marchesradiosociety.org.6

180. Stamp Out Hunger

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-21 00:49:35 UTC
From: Robert Cullen <myuseonline96@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <716b58dc-8100-4204-9763-5a468f72f611@hk10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3697

I want to assist in stamping out hunger worldwide. I am
asking people to utilize the services of Amazon.com using
my referral link. Net profits earned will be donated to one
or more charitable organizations chartered to help those
people in need. The plan is described in more detail at
http://www.Amazon.MyUseOnline.com/hungerproject

181. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-013E - Volunteers needed for Dayton Hamvention.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-21 03:37:39 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F431174.50302@rac.ca>
Source record: 3698
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-013E - Volunteers needed for Dayton Hamvention.
2012-02-20

The Radio Amateurs of Canada will be at Dayton for Hamvention 2012 May 18th to 20th. Last year, after a decade long wait, the Radio Amateurs of Canada operated a Booth at the Dayton Hamvention. RAC officers and RAC members met with many existing members, signed up new members, introduced themselves to soon to be members, and spoke to hams from the United States and around the world including hams from China, Quatar, Germany, Japan and Great Britain.

RAC is returning to Dayton for 2012 and we are once again looking for volunteers to operate the Booth over May 18 to 20th. Last year we organized a single three hour slot for each volunteer. Your availability will determine your slot and flexibility is the watchword. Please forward your contact information and availability by email to ve4baw@rac.ca. with a cc: to our office at rachq@rac.ca. Looking forward to seeing you in Dayton!

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President and Chairman of Radio Amateurs of Canada

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182. NZART Headquarters Infoline special issue 33S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-21 08:40:05 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <95EC6735FD294F579DC41D9220FF8239@AlanLaptop>
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NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 33s

21 February 2012
NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

NZART President Roy Symon ZL2KH Resigns

I regret to inform you that Roy Symon ZL2KH has resigned as President of our Association on Monday 20 February. Roy has served as President for the last five years and was completing his last term, due to finish at the 2013 Annual General Meeting where he had planned to hand over to his successor.

Roy has tendered his resignation to Council and the Association for personal reasons and in accordance with Section 4.2c of the Constitution, as Vice-President, I have now become the new President. Your Executive Council will now have to elect a new Vice-President.

I would like to thank Roy very sincerely for the time and energy he has put into leading the Association for the last five years. He has not had an easy time, but has met the challenges that have arisen with a certain flair and leadership style tempered with his unique sense of humour. Thank you for all you have done Roy and I am sure you will enjoy our great hobby all the more now that you will have a little more time to devote to it.

My taking on the position of President has created a casual vacancy in the Northern electoral district. I will be seeking Council’s advice on filling this vacancy and will let you all know the outcome.

73

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC

NZART President.

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183. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 21 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-21 11:29:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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Radio Amateur Chris Hadfield VA3OOG to command ISS

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d_va3oog_to_command_iss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC reports that astronaut Chris Hadfield, VA3OOG will be the first
Canadian to command the International Space Station

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Getting youth interested by exhibiting in high schools

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Students in most schools have never heard of amateur radio. IARU-R1 Youth
Co-ordinator Lisa PA2LS suggests how to raise awareness of the hobby

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Eisenhower Middle School Viking Radio Club

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king_radio_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows the students of the Eisenhower Middle School Viking Radio
Club who participated in last week's School Club Roundup event

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WRC-12 paves way for 2nd Digital Dividend

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The CEPT Electronic Communcations Committee website indicates that further
TV spectrum may be released for a '2nd Digital Dividend'

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ARISS educative contact planned with Italian school

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An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at 1° Circolo Didattico Nicola Fornelli, Bitonto, Italy on 24 Feb

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Payroll Tax Bill includes provision for Amateur Radio study

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The ARRL reports on a bill that could result in recommendations to remove unnecessary restrictions on amateur radio residential antenna installations

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New pressure on jammers of international broadcasts

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The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) has called upon the world’s nations to take 'necessary actions' to stop intentional interference with satellite transmissions

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Volunteers needed for Dayton Hamvention

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The Radio Amateurs of Canada will be at Dayton for Hamvention 2012 May 18th to 20th and are looking for volunteers to operate the Booth

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Microwave Metamaterials and their applications

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3W, Vietnam:
Wayne, K6ZSJ/3W7W, and his wife will change their QTH every 6 month
from California to Nha Trang City. Currently they are in Vietnam.
QSL via W3HNK, direct only, LoTW.

8P, Barbados:
Mike, W1USN (8P9CI), and Bob, AA1M (8P9CK), will be active February
23rd - March 8th on Barbados (NA-021)using SSB, CW, and PSK31. The log
of 8P9CI will be updated daily on LoTW. QSL 8P9CK via homecall, LoTW.

A6, United Arab Emirates:
Ed, A65BT, Joel, A65BX, and Obaid, A61QQ, plan to be active from
Sa'diyyat Island (AS-021) February 24-25th. using mainly CW and some
SSB. QSL direct only, via A65BT, P.O. Box 60926 - Abu, Dhabi - U.A.E.

C5, The Gambia:
Look for Alan, G3XAQ, transmitting from Gambia February 27th - March
15th as C56XA on HF on CW, also in RSGB Commonwealth Contest (10./11.
March). QSL via G3SWH (OQRS), LoTW after returning home.
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/c56xa.html

C6, Bahamas:
Members of Yankee Clipper Contest Club Tom, N1GN, Bill, NE1B, and
Karney, W2AFC, will be in CQ 160-meters SSB Contest (24.-26. February)
M/S as C6ANM from Nassau (Gambier Village), New Providence Island
(NA-001, WLOTA 1115, WW Loc. FL15GB). QSL via LoTW preferred, or
- direct only - via WA2IYO.

CE, Chile:
"The Three Stars DX Group" members Carlos, CE6AMN, Roberto CE6UFF,
Alejandro, CA6WKD, and Irma, CA6UTF, will be active during the South

American Lighthouse Weekend (24. - 26. February) as XR4CA from Cabo
Carranza (WLOL CHI-005). Look for them on 40, 20, and 10 meters using
SSB. QSL via CE6AMN.
http://www.actiweb.es/ce6amn
http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2012/

Stations also in South American Lighthouse weekend:
XR2FPC Faro Punta Caraumilla CHI-014
XR1FC Faro Punta Caldera CHI-065
3G3L Faro Punta Lutrin CHI-071
CE1DY Faro Concordia Directional CHI-101
XR2BPA Baliza Puerto Aldea NAC-135
XR4LR Baliza Espigon Puerto Rapel NAC-208A
XR4AC Baliza Alto Capellania Norte NAC-208B

CO, Cuba:
Find Luis, CO6LP, from Santa Clara on Cuba (NA-015, WLOTA 0032) in
CQ World-Wide 160m Contest SO. QSL via EA5GL, direct only.

DL, Germany:
Robert, DK2RO/p, will be on Spiekeroog Island (EU-047) February
20th - 24th holiday stile depending on propagation on HF.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

EA, Spain:
Fernando, EA1GHT, Juan Carlos, EA1AUM, Dani, EB1LA, Javi, EC1KV, Carri,
EA1CUB, Juanjo, EA1WX, and Luis, EA1CS, will be inCQ WW 160m SSB
Contest as AO1POL. QSL via EA1GHT.

F, France:
TM8AAW operated by Francois, F8DVD from Macon is taking part in 9th
Antarctic Activity Week (20. - 26. February) on 10 - 40 meters, mostly
on SSB. QSL via homecall.

FO, French Polynesia:
Fred, FO/AB1OC, and Anita, FO/AB1QB, are operating holiday stile
through February 24th using IC 7000, verticals and a 2ele beam for
10 and 12 meters on 40 - 10 meters on PSK, RTTY, SSB, and JT65HF on
Bora Bora Island (OC-067, DIFO FO-003, WLOTA 0430). QSLs via homecall,
LoTW, eQSL.

HI, Dominican Republic:
Find Laura, HI7/F4GEJ (14 years), Mathias, HI7/F0GQX (10 years), and
father Eric, HI7/F5NBK, during their "Family DXPedition" 22. - 29.
February mainly on SSB and digital modes. Be patient with them in their
first DXpedition experience. QSLs via homecalls.

J7, Dominica:
Brian, K1LI, will be on Dominica (NA-101) 25. February - 13th March
as J7Y, for ARRL DX SSB Contest (3./4. March). QSL via homecall,
direct only.

LU, Argentinia:
Members of "Radio Club Mar Del Plata" (LU2DT) will be in the South American Lighthouse Weekend (24. - 26. February) as LT5D from Punta Mogotes (WLOL ARG-005, WW Loc. GF11fv). QSL via LU2DT.
http://www.lu2dt.org.ar/

Rick, LU9DA, will also be in the South American Lighthouse Weekend as LU9DA/D from Lighthouse Baliza Escollera Norte Mar Del Plata (WLOL ARG-123) and from Lighthouse Baliza Escollera Sur Mar Del Plata (WLOL ARG-124). QSL via LU9DA, direct only.
http://lu9da.dyndns.org/

OA, Peru:
Look for some activity of Fred, OA4/DL1NL, through early March from Lima using CW on 10 - 160 meters from Radio Club Peruano (OA4O).
QSL via homecall. www.oz1bii.dk/dxpedition1.htm

P4, Aruba:
After their PZ5RO activity Redd, AI2N, and Dave, WJ2O, go to Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033) and will operate P40/homecall on HF holiday stile.
QSLs via homecalls.

T8, Palau:
Kazue, JJ0LUH (T88XG), and Kiyoshi, JA0EKI (T88XH), will be active February 26th - March 2nd on Palau (OC-009) on 160 - 10 meters, CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK61, and JT65. QSLs via JA0EKI.

TG, Guatemala:
Beacon TG9SIX is tested as TG9ADV/B on the original frequency 50.011,00 MHz. Another beacon TG9TEN is operated on 28.228.3 MHz with 5 Watts, and beacon TG9TWO will soon be ready on 144 MHz.
Position of all of them is in EK44 high up aside of a summit.

V3, Belize:
Guenter, DL2AYK, intends to be "on the other side of the pile up" and will be active as V31YK February 27th - March 11th on 80 - 10 meters (if propagation also 6 meters) using CW, SSB, RTTY, and maybe some PSK31), also in ARRL International DX Contest (3./4. March).
QSL via homecall.

There will be another activation by Bob, N7MSU, February 26th - March 15th as V31SU on 40 - 20 meters mainly, using CW, SSB, and PSK31.
He will operate from several islands and the main land, inluding Caye Caulker (NA-073), Orange Walk Town, San Ignacio and Gales Point.
QSL via homecall.

V2, Antigua And Barbuda
Before his activity from Montserrat (look up there) Bert, DL2RNS, goes to Antigua and Barbuda as V25NS. QSL via homecall.

VK, Australia:
Luke, VK3HJ, will look for Europe on 160m during the next weeks before his sun rise.

VP2M, Montserrat:
Find Norbert, DL2RNS (VP2MSN), Olaf, DL7JOM (VP2MOM), and Olaf, DM2XO (VP2MXO), 27. February - 10. March from Montserrat (IOTA NA-103) active on HF bands February 27th - March 10th. QSLs via homecalls.

XU, Cambodia:
Bernhard, DK7TF, will remain active as XU7DLH through March 15th. QSL via homecall.

YA, Afghanistan:
Jorgen "Joe", 5Q2J/OZ2JBC, might appear on 160 - 10 meters in late February as T6JP. Joe is an Electronics Technician with the Danish Army. depending on propagation he will operate a Yaesu FT-857D (100W) on RTTY, PSK, and SSB. QSL via 5Q2J. http://oz2jbc.dk/page3.html

ZF, Cayman Is.:
Look for John, K6AM, as ZF2AM in the CQ 160-meters SSB Contest (24. - 26. February) from Savannah on Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA 1042) SO-HP from CQ Zone 8. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

African-Tour:
Luc, F5RAV, will activate 6V7T from the QTH of 6W7RV in Somone February 24th - March 7th and take part in the REF- and ARRL-Contests. Find him February 27th - March 2nd as C5LT from Kololi. He might be acompanied by Francisco, EA1BT. He will operate SSB and PSK. QSL via homecall, direct only.

Cluster-Spots:
An official homepage of "Slovenia World Castles Award" (S5 WCA) presents spots with their reference numbers and an option to spot with WCA number in cooperation with S50CLX-DX-Cluster
http://forum.hamradio.si/viewtopic.php?f=64&t=12284

DVD:
Fred Curtis, G3SVK, professionelly produced a DVD about the T32C-DXpedition 2011. It includes avideo about the FSDXA DXpedition to St. Brandon (3B7C) in September 2007. The income will contribute to the "Five Star DXers Association" for the next project.
http://www.t32c.com

Ham Radio on TV:
In US-Television they present sitcom "Last Man Standing" with a real shack.
http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/02/13/last-man-standing-ham-radio-prime-time-television/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=eMayl&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+dxcoffee%2Feng+%28DxCoffee+-+Hamradio+Magazine%29

CW without key:
Find a new way to operate on CW at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mEz_home callYumQI&feature=g-u-u&context=G2a7d7f5FUAAAAAAASAA

New Band:
At the WRC-12 in Geneva ham radio representatives finally came to a

consensus on an allocation to the amateur service in the region of
500 kHz. 472 kHz through 479 kHz will become a new amateur band
as soon as the PTT administrations concerned have edited their rules.
The band is shared with Air Traffic Services which have priority.
Power mostly is limited to 1 Watt (EIRP).

Not QSL Manager:
DF8OL and/or DF9OL are not and never were QSL manager for EX2A.
According to qrz.com EX2A has no manager. QSL via buro is ok.

5 MHz for Dominican Republic:
Radio amateurs in the Dominican Republic got permission to transmit
on 7 channels in 60m band, the same channels as in the U.K..
SSB and CW my be used.

UA9-Prefix:
In DXNL 1759, Dec 21. 2011, there was a message from ARRL about a
change on the rules about UA prefixes. ARRL has changed its message
without notice. There was no change on the official homepage of IARU
concerning the rules of WAC since July 13th, 2010. Also there was no
change on the ARRL DXCC list of July 2011, the list for all ARRL DX
Contests. Therefor UA9 still may be counted for Asia.

AD1C with his "cty.dat" of 17.02.2012 took over that UA9-Oblasti
F, G, and X are counted for Europe.
UcxLog took over this allocation to avoid communication`s problems.

Silent Key:
Livio Zenti, I1ZL passed away February 11th after a long illness
at 81 years of age. He was founder and former president of ARI Asti.
He was fond of DXing and a IOTA hunter for 50 years.

Suchart Peusakhorn (HS1BA), Romano Cartoceti (I4FAF), Dipti Prakash Dey
(VU2DPD), Michael De Cheff (W0NS), Gary R. Schmidt (W5ZL), and Joseph
F. Keese (W8VSK) are also silent keys.

Our condolences and compassion to the families and friends.

LINKS:
Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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WA7BNM Contest Calendar: http://hornucopia.com/contestcal

NG3K Amateur Radio Contest/DX Page
http://ng3k.com/

Two websites dealing with a good operating technique are:
DX Code of Conduct: http://dx-code.org/home.html

Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur:
http://www.ham-operating-ethics.org

UPCOMING CONTESTS

24.-26.2. CQ World-Wide 160m Contest
25./26.2. REF-Contest
25./26.2. UBA DX Contest
25./26.2. North American QSO Party
26.2. HSC-Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-Mayl: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-014; CT3; Madeira Archipelago:
Adam/DJ0IF and Mek/SP7VC will hit the airwaves from Madeira Island
(AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053) February 29th through
March 7th as CT9/homecall. They will be in ARRL DX SSB Contest
(3. - 4. March) as CR3L. QSL for CR3L via DJ6QT. QSL for CT9/DJ0IF
and CT9/SP7VC via homecall (d/B).

AF-042; EA9; Alboran Island:
The IOTA expedition had to be postponed due to problems on transport.

NA-018; OX; Greenland:
Henning/OZ1BII will be on Kangerlussuaq, Groenland, as XP2I February
24th - 27th during the hours 15 - 03 UTC on HF bands, CW only, using
the QTH of Jesper/OX3KQ. QSL via OZ1BII. Actual information at qrz.com.
www.oz1bii.dk/dxpedition1.htm

NA-066; W6; California State South:
Ray/N6HE, Jeff/K6JW, Joe/NZ6L, Bob/AB6SY, Clay/AB9A, Diana/AI6DF, and
Bill/KG6WVF will present K6PV/6 from Santa Catalina Island (USI CA016S,
WLOTA 2912) February 23rd through 26th, on 20m SSB mainly. There will
be participation in NAQP RTTY- and CQWW 160m SSB - Contest.
There also will be activity on 160/80/40/20/15/10 meters on CW, SSB,
RTTY, and possibly PSK31. QSL direct via K6PV (qrz.com).
http://www.palosverdes.com/pvarc/index.htm

SA-028; PY2; Sao Paulo State East group:
Orlando/PT2OP and Fred/PY2XB will visit Sao Sebastiao Island (ARLHS
BRA-223, WLOTA L-1007, DFB SP-14, DIB SP-02) 23. through 27. February
operating as PV2PC and ZX2S on the IOTA- and DX frequencies on 40-10m.
QSL: PV2PC via PT2OP and ZX2S via PT7WA (d/B).

SA-055; LU; Buenos Aires (Delta del Parana) Province group:
LU1EEZ/D, Mark LU7CAW/D, Alberto, LU4DIS/D, and Mariano, LU9ACJ/D, will
visit Martin Garcia Island, resp. Martin Garcia Lighthouse, (ARLHS
ARG-045, TWLHD WLH LU-005, Admiralty G0791, WW Loc. GF05VT) for the
South American Lighthouse Weekend using all HF bands.
Website: http://www.lu1eez.8m.com/

QSL via Ezequiel, Alicia M de Justo 3442, Lomas del Mirador,
Bs AS 1752, Argentina (d).

SA-057; CX; Colonia Department group:
Also in LH-Weekend is CX2FAA on Isla de Farallon/Faro de la Isla
Farallon (ARLHS URU-003, WLOTA 2561). QSL via LU7DSY.

SA-064; CE7; Aisen Region Centre group:
IOTA-activation of CE1TBN/7 had to be postponed to February 24th.
Expect him with 100 Watts on 20, 15. and 10m using SSB and some CW.
QSL via homecall (d/B).

South American Lighthouse Weekend
Many stations (actually more than 60 light houses) are announed to
be active for this event. They are listed at
http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2012/listado.htm

General informations at
http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2012/index.htm

Extract of activities:
PP3C BRA-021 PY3OZ
XR4C CHI-005 CE6AMN
YV5GAT VEN-011 YV5AJ
YV5RCV/1 VEN-044 YV5AJ

Other Lighthouse activities

AH0/AE6YW LH 1333 29.02. - 06.03.
C6ANM LH 1115 24.02. - 26.02.
KG4SS LH 0358 25.02. - 10.03.
KG4OS LH 0358 25.02. - 03.03.
VP2MON LH 1475 27.02. - 10.03.
VP2MSN LH 1475 27.02. - 10.03.
VP2MXO LH 1475 27.02. - 10.03.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL
Resident 3B8FA 1765
5. - 25. February 3B8GY 1765
22.February-11.March 3C6A.. 1766/1767
21. - 29. February 3DA0PW 1767
unknown 3W7W 1768 *
unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12December-10March 4S7KKG 1757
unknown 4W0VB 1763
unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
01January-30June 5P12EU 1760
until 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
until April 2012 5Z4RH ? 1674
until 22. February 6V7S 1767

24.February-7.March 6V7T.. 1768 *
31. March 8N1JARL.. 1762
until 31. March 2012 8J1ING 1751
until 31. March 8J1YMS 1764
- 30.September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751
10December-05March 8J6HAM 1757
until 28. February 8J9LITE 1764
23.February-8.March 8P9CI.. 1768 *
14. - 22. February 8P9VX.. 1766
- 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
long term 9N1FE 1740
soon 9Q1EK 1669
- October2014 9V1RM 1751

- September 2013 A52SV 1752
24. - 25. February A65BT 1768 *
unknown P40/AI2N.. 1768 *
24.-26.February AO1POL 1766/1768 *
27.February-2.March C5LT 1768 *
- April CE2/CX1EK 1762
- March 2012 CE9VPM 1752
27.February-15.March C56XA 1768 *
24.-26.February C6ANM 1768 *
24. - 26. February CO6LP 1768 *
14. - 22. February CT8/DL2UX 1767
- 8. July 2012 D2QV 1750
- April 2012? D2SG 1748
20. - 24. February DK2RO/p 1768 *
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
1January-31December DL1630Y 1760
1January-31December DM100MGY 1763
1January-31December DM50KSJ 1763
until 31. December DM800ANH 1767
- February 2013 DP0GVN 1756
- 31. December DQ125HSB 1763
9. - 27. February E51BKV.. 1766
13.- 21.(25?.)Febr E51NJB 1766
until March 2012 EA1CYK/p 1759
1January-31December EI80IRTS 1763
1December-28February EM0BSCC/mm 1756
until 29. February EM80UKO.. 1767
9February-13March FG/F6ITD 1766
- 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
unknown FK/9A4DU 1763
24. February FO/AB1OC.. 1768 *
- July 2012 FR8NE 1710
24January-23February FW0R.. 1763/1765
until 31. December GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762

11. - 24. February H40FN.. 1766
7. - 28. February H44XB 1766
unknown HA100CGCDH 1762
September2012 - 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
22. - 29. February HI7/F4GEJ..1768 *
16January-26March HK3JCL 1762
now HL2/KC6STQ 1746
2.February - 6.May HR5/F2JD 1764
until April HS0ZIQ 1765
- late 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
- February 2012 II0MZ 1755
1January-31December II6LN 1763
- spring 2012 J28FJ 1739
- 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
- July 2012 J28RO 1683
- July 2013 J28UC 1734
8.February-7.March J38A.. 1766
8.February-8.March J38RF 1766
15.February-14.March J88DR 1767
- 15th April JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
8.February-7.March J38A.. 1766
25.February-13.March J7Y 1768 *
8.February-8.March J38RF 1766
15.February-14.March J88DR 1767
until 15. April JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
13.-19. February K7UGA 1766
- April 2012 KC4AAC 1757
- 2013 KG4AJ 1756
18. - 25. February KG4AS 1765
25February -3.March KG4OS 1765
25February -10March KG4SS 1765
6. - 23. February KG4WV 1765
- June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
- May 2012 KH4/W5FJG 1728
postponed 2012 KH5 1674/1705/1741

24. - 26. February LT5D 1768 *
- 29. February LY16W 1767
- March 2012 OA/OE3NHW 1749
- early March as OA4/DL1NL 1768 *
1January-31December ON65BR 1763
1January-31.January ON800TUR 1763
- February 2012 OR4TN 1754
long term P29FM 1752
- March 2012 P29FR 1742
21January-17March PJ2/AA9A.. 1763
- March/April 2012 PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
18./19. February -/+ PJ4X.. 1767
11. - 17. February PJ7/AK4GP 1767
16. - 21. February PZ5RO 1767
- mid March RI1ANA 1762

- early 2013 RI1ANF 1765
- September 2012 RI1FJA 1741
- September 2012 RI1FJM 1741
unknown SN2012WW.. 1763
now ST2AR 1745
unknown SU9VB 1754
unknown SX1912 1763
- April 2012 T6BP 1746
- 13. June T6JM 1764
late February T6JP 1768 *
- June 2012 T6MO 1733/1767
26.February-2.March T88XG.. 1768 *
7February-27March TG8/W0OR 1767
unknown TL8ES 1755
- 31. December TM70TRS 1763
bis 26. February TM8AAW 1768 *
- July 2012 TN9SN 1755
now TR0A/p 1760

13. - 22. February V25AA.. 1766
February 2012 V25DH 1765
until 26. February V25NS 1768 *
4. - 26. February V31RU.. 1765
16. - 25. February V31RR 1767
26.February-15.March V31SU 1768 *
27.February-11.March V31YK 1768 *
- 26. February V31YN.. 1763
8.February-28.March V47JA.. 1766
Resident V63YWR 1765
- November 2014 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
now VK0TH 1748/1763/1764
until March VK3HJ 1768 *
27.February-10.March VP2MSN.. 1768 *
15. - 22. February VP5OU.. 1767
unknown VP8DFR 1764
- February 2012 VP8DMH 1757
- July 2012 VQ9JC 1755
- March VU3BPZ.. 1762
- May 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
until 1. April XE3/K5ENS 1767
24.- 26.February XR4CA.. 1768 *
unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763
16. - 25. February XU7AFU 1765
15February-15March XU7DLH 1768 *
unknown XV9DX.. 1756
unknown XW3DT 1766
3. - 28. February ZD8Z.. 1767
24.- 26. February ZF2AM 1768 *
- spring 2012 ZS7KX 1740/1749
- February ZY78AA.. 1765

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8FA via NI5DX (B)
3W7W via W3HNK (d), (L)
4X/UT5UDX via UT2UB (B)
5B/RN3QQ via RN3QQ
6O3A via K2PF (d)
6V7T via F5RAV (d)
8P9CI via (L)
8P9CK via AA1M (B), (L)
9N1II via BG6JPZ (d)
A65BT via (d)
AO1POL via EA1GHT (B)
C56XA via G3SWH (B), (L)
C5LT via F5RAV (d)
C6ANM via (L), WA2IYO (d)
CE1TBN/7 via CE1TBN (B)
CO6LP via EA5GL (d)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DJ0IF via DJ0F (B)
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX (B)
CT9/SP7VC via SP7VC (B)
CW5W via CX6VM (d)
CX2FAA via LU7DSY (B)
DK2RO/p via DK2RO (B), (L)
DU1/JJ5GMJ via JH5RXS (L)
EF1A via (B)
EF8R via (L)
EG1EDB via EA1HNP (B)
EI0PL via EI5JQ (B), (L)
EX2A via (B)
FO/ AB1OC via AB1OC (L)
FO/ AB1QB via AB1QB (L)
GB0CFG via (B)
GB0WOR via (B)
GB4ADD via (B)
HF35APAS via SP9YI
HF70TWARDY via SP8MI (B)
HF85MDHP via SQ3MVE
HI7/F0GQX via F0GQX
HI7/F4GEJ via F4GEJ
HI7/F5NBK via F5NBK
J7Y via K1LI (d)
K6PV/6 via K6PV (d)
LT5D via LU2DT (B)
MJ0ASP via (L)
NH2T via (L), W2YC (B)
OH0X via OH2TA (B), (L)

OH8X via OH2UA (B)
OA4/DL1NL via DL1NL (B)
P40/AI2N via AI2N
P40/WJ2O via WJ2O (B)
P49V via AI6V (B)
PV2PC via PT2OP (B)
PV2PC via PT2OP (B)
SN51LTL via SQ5LTL
T6JP via 5Q2J (B)
TM8AAW via F8DVD (B)
T88XG via JA0EKI
T88XH via JA0EKI
V25NS via DL2RNS (B)
V31SU via N7MSU (B)
V31TP via WC0W (B)
V31WW via W2OX (*)
V31YK via DL2AYK (B)
VP2MOM via DL7JOM (B)
VP2MSN via DL2RNS (B)
VP2MXO via DM2XO (B)
XP2I via OZ1BII (B)
XR4CA via CE6AMN (B)
XU7DLH via DK7TF (B)
ZF2AM via K6AM (B), (L)
ZX2S via PT7WA (B)
ZX2S via PT7WA (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)

QSLs arrived direct: E51MAN (N7OU), P29FR (I2RFJ), ZK2X (N3SL).

QSLs arrived via buro: 5H3ME (DL4ME), 5X1NH (G3RWF), 5X1VB (UA4WHX),
9J3A (S57S), 9M6/UA3QNS, 9M6XRO (M0URX),
AH0BT (7L1FPU), C56KR (OZ8KR), DR800PORT, DS5FNE,
EA8CQW, EE2W (EB2BXL), EM70Q (UY5QZ), ES5G, FG/K9NW,
GB50RNARS, GW0RYT, HL2DYS, IR4M, J28KO (F6DKI), LY2W,
LZ66P (LZ1BJ), LZ9R, MU0GSY, OD5/UA4WHX (UA4WHX),
OH0B, OJ0VM (OH6VM), OJ0W (OH3WS), ON65EM, OX3KQ,
SN0BJP (SP8YWK), T77SM, T88TX (JI2TXU),
TB0DX (AS-123 via OK2GZ), TC0DX (EU-186 via OK2GZ),
TP60CE (F5LGF), YB9/DJ7XJ, ZA0/IK2AQZ, ZD8RH (G4DBW).

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:

http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

185. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 13 - 19 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-22 00:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120222003002.1A02933C4A@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3552
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Feb 21 2202 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
13 - 19 February 2012

Solar activity was very low to low all week. The largest flare of
the entire period was a C1 on 19 February at 0851 UTC from Region
1422 (N15, L=177, class/area = Dai/60 on 19 February). B-class
flares dominated the rest of the summary period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during the summary period.

Geomagnetic activity began on 13 February with quiet to unsettled
conditions at mid latitudes and active to minor storm levels at high
latitudes, associated with a small coronal hole high speed stream
(CH HSS). 14 February saw a brief return to quiet conditions. The
respite was short-lived, however, when a slow CME observed on 10
February finally arrived at Earth on 15 February. Active to minor
storm levels were observed at mid latitudes throughout the day,
while high latitude activity peaked at major storm levels. The
remainder of the week was quiet until late on 18 February when a
co-rotating interaction region preceded a geoeffective CH HSS.
Unsettled to active conditions with isolated minor storm periods
were observed during 19 February due to CH HSS effects.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
22 February - 19 March 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels throughout the
forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at high levels to begin the period due to effects
from a recurrent CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected to
prevail from 23 February - 19 March.
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Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet on 22 February. Quiet to unsettled conditions are expected on 23 - 25 February due to the onset of a recurrent CH HSS. A return to mostly quiet levels is expected on 26 February through 01 March. A CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective on 02 - 03 March, thus increasing activity to quiet to unsettled levels. Predominately quiet conditions are expected from 04 - 06 March before another CH HSS provides unsettled conditions on 07 March. Conditions are expected to return to mostly quiet levels from 08 March - 10 March, before another recurrent CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective on 11 March, with unsettled conditions expected for the day. A return to mostly quiet conditions is forecast from 12 - 16 March, before another CH HSS is expected to produce quiet to unsettled conditions with a chance for isolated active to minor storm levels at high latitudes for the remainder of the period.

** Attention ** Beginnning Monday, March 12, 2012, the Weekly bulletin will now be issued and available on the SWPC web page every Monday morning by 1500 UTC.

186. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-22 07:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1329894001@panix.com>
Source record: 3553
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

187. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-22 07:05:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1329894300@panix.com>
Source record: 3554
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

188. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 22 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-22 16:07:08 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f23586b537b2204b98bec58@google.com>
Source record: 3555
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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NZART President Roy Symon ZL2KH resigns

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Vzyz4_551i8/nzart_president_roy_symon_zl2kh_resigns.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Roy Symon ZL2KH resigned as President of New Zealand's national society,
NZART, on Monday, February 20

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Opera Beacon takes Route 66

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Kqsb-J4H-CM/opera_beacon_takes_route_66.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob running his USA Experimental 500 KHz station WE6XGR in New York, is
being decoded regularly by N6RY, just north of San Diego on the WEST coast.
And, not only is the Opera beacon reaching coast to coast USA, its also
reaching the west coast of England at the same time, with G4WGT, G8HUH and
G0KTN as regular customers

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New MO-72 Decode Software

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Tg85Qk5PxS4/new_mo72_decode_software.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The students who developed the amateur radio satellite MO-72 (Masat-1) have
announced that new telemetry decode software is available

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Nano and picosatellite resolution at WRC-12

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DoJn7rO3mPc/nano_and_picosatellite_resolution_at_wrc12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wouter Jan Ubbels PA3WEG provides an update regarding the attendance by
ISIS at the World Radiocommunication Conference

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Nanjing Balloon Attempt update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uMbvviLYF98/nanjing_balloon_attempt_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Katy Times reports on the long distance amateur radio balloon attempt
by the South Texas Balloon Launch Team on February 11

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CARA Contest video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LsOO239kr80/cara_contest_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association (CARA) have produced a video on
Amateur Radio Contests

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South Sudan assigned Z8 call block

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1OUgsZgjyI4/south_sudan_assigned_z8_call_block.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Republic of South Sudan has received the prefix block Z8A-Z8Z from the
ITU

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Come and Join Us On the Airwaves by The Ham Band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Sl1G2wqvy8Y/the_hamband.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Ham Band have released a high-definition version of their popular music
video 'Join Us in the Airwaves'

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Google celebrates Heinrich Hertz's birthday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fGIVmZDKsoY/google_celebrates_heinrich_hertz_birthday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Google is celebrating Heinrich Hertz's 155th Birthday today, with an
animated pseudo-sine wave on its web pages

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IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM and Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wSKGqd-IvoU/irts_80th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tickets for the Irish Radio Transmitters Society AGM dinner on Saturday
April 21st are selling fast. The event this year is hosted by Dundalk

Amateur Radio Society

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MARTS DXpedition to Spratly Islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Xw2EkmgMUFg/marts_dxpedition_to_spratly_Islands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) and the 9M4SDX Team will be active as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Layang Island (Swallow Reefs - AS-051) near Sabah, East Malaysia, between April 10-24th

189. [RAC-Bulletin] South American Lighthouse weekend

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-22 22:49:42 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F4570A0.1060903@rac.ca>
Source record: 3556
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

South American Lighthouse weekend

>From: Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society (ARLHS) <arlhs@inbox.com>
>Subject: {Some tags disabled} Notice from Amateur Radio Lighthouse
Society (ARLHS)

The South American Lighthouse weekend will run between between 12:00
UTC Friday, February 24 to 22:00 UTC Sunday, February 26, 2012.

CU in the pile-ups!

http://www.grupodxbb.com.ar/faros2012/
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Vernon Erle Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

190. MMMonVHF Newsletter No.1 WEEK 08/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-23 08:42:37 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201202230835.q1N8ZxoO004980@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3557
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.8 - WEEK 08/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-02-23
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** The Eric Jamieson Indian Ocean Awards Announced **

*Date : 19 / 02 / 2012
Author : Michael Owen - VK3KI*

The WIA Board, meeting in Melbourne over the weekend of 18/19 February
2012 accepted the offer of Eric Jamieson VK5LP /(pictured right)/ to
sponsor awards for the first amateur radio contacts on the two metre
band spanning the Indian Ocean between Australia and Africa. There will
be three awards, for voice, CW and digital modes and will be known as
the Eric Jamieson Indian Ocean Awards.

In presenting a sum of money to the Wireless Institute of Australia
Foundation to fund the Awards, Eric said "I acknowledge that spanning
the Indian Ocean will not be easy but one cannot say that it will never
be accomplished. The degree of difficulty may be judged from the so far
inability to span the much shorter Atlantic Ocean despite concerted
attempts in order to win the Brendan Atlantic Ocean trophies."

The very simple Rules for the Award provide that contacts made by EME,
or with the assistance of meteor scatter, satellites, aircraft
enhancement or the like will not be eligible.

The WIA Board acknowledged the generosity of Eric in making this Award
available, and expressed the hope that it will encourage amateurs to
attempt a truly difficult challenge.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2012/20120219-2/index.php

Submitted by VK6KXW
vk6kxw[at]gmail.com

SOURCE: ZSVHF Digest, Vol 84, Issue 11

** FUN DONGLE at 144 MHz EME **

Some of you have made good experiences with the FUN DONGLE at EME. I was
testing the dongle at my 2x 12el yagis and didnt find a real advancement
for my small station (only seen stations stronger -24 db, maybe due to
my high city noise level) - so will give it out again. If any interest,
you can obtain the FUN DONGLE (including USB cable). Price 125,- Euro
(excl. packing/transport) Please do contact me via
nw_ebw"at"MMMonVHF"dot"de - sorry only one dongle is available here...
Guido DL8EBW

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: LA; square KQ50; start 2012-08-11

Only 3 Squares remaining on a visit of the OH8K Team in the northern area -
KQ50 will be one and will be tried to activate in August 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to be qrv from KQ50
during 11-16. August 2012 as LA/OH6ZZ on 2m FSK/EME. QRG and more details
will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH0; square JP90; start 2012-05-24

OH8K/0 will be qrv from JP90SF during the Nordic VUSHF-Meeting 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to join the Nordic
VUSHF-Meeting at Island Aland during 24-27 Mai 2012 (http://vushf.rats.fi/)
They try to be qrv as OH8K/0 on 2m FSK/EME on 25-27 Mai. QRG and more
details will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: XV; square OK10 - OK20; start 2012-03-28

Hermann DL2NUD, and Peter DJ4TC will try to be active from Vietnam on EME

They plan to be qrv from 28.03. until 20.04. as XV4HP (DL2NUD) and as
3W4TC(DJ4TC).
Maybe 2 Squares will be activated: OK10 and OK20 from Island of Phuqouc

on 2m 70cm und 23cm
More Infos will follow if closer the dates...

SOURCE: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

Hello OM,
everything is ready for the J5 Guinea-Bissau DXpedition.
We finally received all the permits from the authorities in Bissau.
The calls J52EME for V-UHF and J52HF for HF are confirmed.
Two groups will operate simultaneously, with preference to the most
difficult communications, ie EME.
After much work we can announce that we'll be active on:
144 MHz with 2x8 xpol, preamplifier gift of WA2ODO, amplifier ITB
Colibrï¿½ 1kw.
432 MHz with 2 homemade LFA antennas 18 elements, yet to be found
preamplifier, amplifier ITB Colibrï¿½ 600w.
50 MHz, homemade LFA antenna 5 elements, amplifier ACOM 1000, homebuild
preamp MGF1302.
In the beginning was our intention to just operate 2m EME, but we have
received many requests for both 70cm and 6m, so we hope to please everyone.
In the first few days we'll be active on 144 MHz EME and HF, with some
jump on 6m Supertropo and ES. Then we'll pass on 430 and 50 MHz. We'll
try to satisfy everyone.
Just on arriving a group will start to create an internet connection
for the hospital, so we can use it too.
Frequencies:
144,130, 432.900 and 50.200. We'll call always in the even period.
Thanks for the help that you'll can give to our humanitarian/ham-radio
expedition.
Renato I3EJ we'll keep you informed during the DXpedition on our site:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm
and email questions to: veronadxteam@ari.verona.it

See you soon from J5 !
73 de I3LDP VeronaDXteam.

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SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

** DXCC: 4U_ITU; square JN36BF; start 2012-03-23

After both C37MS and C56EME did win the trophy MMM expedition of the
year 2011 section MS and
EME, Chris and Rene where thinking to celebrate this by doing
something back for all those voters.

We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter from the ITU building in Geneva as
4U1ITU.
4U1ITU counts as a separate entity for the DXCC award and has never
been activated in WSJT.

We will be there from March 23rd till March 25th 2012, so only 3 days!
Don't miss it.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)
If all ok we will have a small 6 meter and 70cm setup with us too.

We will be on N0UK for last minute freq change.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

73 Chris PA2CHR, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4114

SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F; square IN99; start 2012-04-07

>From April 7 to 21, 2012, the North Contentin area ARC, F6KFW,
will be active all bands and mods as TM5MGY.
This project is part of the official Commemoration activities ,
lead by the Cherbourgand neighbour cities , for the 100th anniversary
of the HMS TITANIC stopover , on April 10, 1912, a few days before
its shipwreck.
Cherbourg was usually, until the 60s, the last stopover from England
for the British lines before the Atlantic crossing to America.
Demo Amateur stations HF, VHF, SHF, operating in CW/SSB/Datas,
will be set up in the City de la Mer, in Cherbourg.,
Among the CW tools, a Titanic telegraph key copy of that used by
Harold Bride and Jack Philips in 1912 will be put in service.
The suffix of the special callsign TM5MGY has been choosed in
souvenir of " MGY" which was the TITANIC callsign, in the Marconi
ships radio system.

QSL via F6KFW, direct or bureau. Tks Jean-Yves, F8LDX

SOURCE: tnx to Maurice, F5NQL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire (PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make Moonbounce QSO's

from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in Kenya (5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit insecure but we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We have to come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4108

** DXCC: FG; square: FK96; start 2012-04-12 **

FG4KH (FK96) is annouced to be QRV on 144 MHz in the period between April 12 and April 26 2012. Further details are on URL
http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr/

The 432 MHz expedition ended and QSL's will be send when ready.

SOURCE: Philippe, F1DUZ, to Moon-Net, Jan. 18th.

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

191. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 23 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-23 11:13:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93407c1640c8704b99fbaa1@google.com>
Source record: 3558
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Australian Kilowatt

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/50bjaJRs4cI/australian_kilowatt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

From 1 March 2012, the Australian regluator, the ACMA, will accept applications from amateur radio advanced licensees to use transmitter output power of up to 1,000 watts peak envelope power output from nominated fixed locations

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HCd-vi4LKfA/february_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Yet again, the weekend (with contest) rules supreme. Loads of DX about

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4G TV interference: Up to a million homes 'need filters'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RypMA68MuI0/4g_tv_interference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Almost a million UK homes will need to have filters installed to prevent TV interference from 4G mobile signals - at a cost of £108m

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AMSAT-UK Satellite Talk at Telford

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q5o_m_EXpAM/amsat_uk_satellite_talk_at_telford.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paul Robinson 2E1EUB will be guest speaker at the Telford and District Amateur Radio Society (TDARS) on Wednesday, March 21, where he will give a talk about amateur radio satellites

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Section Managers Winter Election Results

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gUqylw3Fj-0/section_managers_winter_election_results.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two ARRL Sections - Eastern Pennsylvania and Louisiana - will get new
Section Managers, as of April 1, 2012. Two other Sections - San Diego and
Virginia - will keep their incumbent Section Managers

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Amateur Radio Station for New Scout Hut

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6rE5fnHYOe8/amateur_radio_station_for_new_scout_hut.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Epsom Guardian reports that the 7th Epsom Methodist Scout Group's new
building will have an amateur radio station

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Ham radio operating from Swaziland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u1A8dnmdeuA/ham_radio_operating_from_swaziland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Swazi Observer newspaper reports that Phil G3SWH, and John G3OLU
(EA5ARC) are operating 3DA0PW from the Hawane Resort until February 29

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Cold and Spellbinding: An Alignment of Planets in the Sunset Sky

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qni3cQOeZaE/cold_and_spellbinding.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The brightest planets in the night sky are aligning for a must-see show in
late February and March 2012. Start looking tonight!

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Redenham Radio Observatory - Science and Engineering Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1mB8W8oYQXo/redenham_radio_observatory_science_and_engineering_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Redenham Radio Observatory will be hosting events for the British
Science Association 'National Science and Engineering Week' between March
9-18

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Using Lego in Ham Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ytiGGJq_2NY/using_lego_in_ham_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An innovative design from Sivan Toledo 4X6IZ uses a Lego enclosure for an
APRS tracker with a built-in antenna

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World Band Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jrseL8pOIek/world_band_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Times-Gazette reports on world band (short wave) radio

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Botswana DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WO2_cgQIBRo/botswana_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Four amateur radio operators will be active from the Lotsane Safari Lodge
between March 18-27th

192. The ARRL Letter for February 23, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-23 20:33:34 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120223201242.B2A932270D@bmail.arrl.org>
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Published by the American Radio Relay League
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==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: PAYROLL TAX BILL INCLUDES PROVISION FOR AMATEUR
RADIO STUDY

A bill that passed both the House and the Senate on February 17 -- and
signed into law by President Obama on Wednesday, February 22 --
includes a provision for a study of the uses and capabilities of
Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster
relief.

Section 6414 of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of
2012 mandates the completion of the study, with a report of the
findings to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Senate
Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. This study would
"use the expertise of stakeholder entities and organizations" to
recommend how to best use radio amateurs in emergency communications

and disaster relief efforts, and how to best utilize the Amateur Radio Service in coordination with the federal government in these efforts. In addition, the study would also discuss the effects of unreasonable or unnecessary private land use restrictions on residential antenna installations and recommend ways to remove such impediments.

The bill passed in the House by a vote of 293-132. In the Senate, it passed by a 60-36 vote. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/payroll-tax-bill-includes-provision-for-amateur-radio-study>.

==> + ON THE AIR: REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN ASSIGNED Z8 PREFIX

After a wait of more than seven months after being accepted as a member of the United Nations <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-republic-of-south-sudan-is-now-a-dxcc-entity>, the Republic of South Sudan received its prefix block from the International Telecommunication Union <http://www.itu.int/online/mms/glad/cga_callsign.sh?lang=en> (ITU): Z8. On July 14, 2011 -- after South Sudan's admittance to the UN -- the new country became a DXCC entity by way of Section II, 1(a) of the DXCC rules <http://www.arrl.org/rules>. -- Thanks to The Daily DX for the information

==> + ON THE AIR: ONE DOWN, ONE TO GO: THE ARRL INTERNATIONAL DX CONTEST GEARS UP FOR SSB

With the CW portion <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-2012-arrl-international-dx-cw-contest-takes-to-the-air-next-weekend> of the ARRL International DX Contest <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx> now a series of fading dits and dahs in the memories of participants, preparations for the SSB portion of the DX Contest -- the weekend of March 3-4 -- are already underway.

According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, for this contest, stations in the US and Canada work only DX stations, and DX stations work only the US and Canada; Alaska and Hawaii are considered DX for this contest. DX stations will be trying to make QSOs with all US states and Canadian provinces. The contest exchange is simple: US and Canadian stations send a signal report and their state or province, while DX stations send a signal report and the amount of power they are transmitting with.

"The CW portion had a lot of twists and turns," Kutzko recounted. "The solar flux index was down considerably from the great conditions we experienced in the last quarter of 2011. We were also dealt a blow with a solar storm on Saturday afternoon, generating some strange phenomena on the bands. Ten meters -- which earlier in the contest season was open to Europe and Asia for hours at a time -- barely showed up this past weekend. Despite all of this, hams worked tons of DX on 15 and even 10 meters."

Will these conditions improve? It's hard to say -- the SFI remains around 100, and just a week before the contest, the A and K indices are reasonably low. "Check the K7RA Solar Update each Friday on the ARRL website for the most current solar forecast," Kutzko advised. "But one thing is for certain: The number of participants in the 2011-2012 contest season has exploded, and more activity means lots of DX."

The ARRL International DX SSB Contest <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx> runs from 0000 UTC Saturday, March 3 to 2359 UTC Sunday, March 4. Complete rules and forms can be found online <http://www.arrl.org/contest-rules>. Electronic logs should be submitted via e-mail <dxphone@arrl.org>; paper logs can be sent to ARRL DX SSB Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Paper logs must be postmarked no later than 0000 UTC Tuesday, April 3, 2012.

==> +HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: BLOCKBUSTER MOVIE FEATURES MORSE CODE, HOMEBREW EQUIPMENT -- AND SEA MONSTERS!

In the movie Journey 2: The Mysterious Island, Sean Anderson (played by Josh Hutcherson) receives a coded distress signal that comes from a mysterious island where no island should exist. Sean decides to follow the signal with the unwilling assistance from his stepfather Hank (played by Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson).

The movie opens in Dayton, Ohio with Sean on his motorcycle, being chased by police officers. Sean had been caught breaking in to a "satellite facility." When questioned by Hank, Sean confesses that he had received a coded message from his grandfather (played by Michael Caine), but his equipment was too weak to copy it; he decided to go somewhere where there were bigger antennas. The message -- a string of one and two syllable words taken from the books of Jules Verne -- makes no sense to Sean. Hank, a former US Navy cryptographer, offers to help decode the message; he feels this will be a good chance to bond with his stepson.

Immediately, Hank figures out that the message is really in Morse code: each one syllable word is a "dit," while each two syllable word is a "dah." Hank translates the message, which gives clues to the location of the grandfather's whereabouts. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hollywood-movie-features-morse-code-homebrew-equipment-and-sea-monsters>.

==> + W1AW: MARCH QUALIFYING RUNS

The W1AW and West Coast Qualifying Runs were inadvertently left out of the March 2012 issue of QST. Here is the missing information:

W1AW Qualifying Runs are 10 PM EST Friday, March 9 (0300 UTC March 10) (10-40 WPM) and 7 PM EDT (2300 UTC) Tuesday, March 20. The West Coast Qualifying Run will be transmitted by station K6KPH on 3581.5, 7047.5, 14047.5, 18097.5 and 21067.5 kHz at 2 PM PDT (2200 UTC) Saturday, March 17. Unless indicated otherwise, speeds are from 10-35 WPM. You can find the upcoming schedule here <http://www.arrl.org/qualifying-run-schedule>.

==> + SECTION MANAGER WINTER ELECTION RESULTS

Two ARRL Sections -- Eastern Pennsylvania and Louisiana -- will get new Section Managers as of April 1, 2012. Two other Sections -- San Diego and Virginia -- will keep their incumbent Section Managers. Ballots for these races were counted Tuesday, February 21 at ARRL Headquarters. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/section-managers-winter-election-results>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Behind the clouds the Sun is shining <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7b6fBnPmhmc>" Cook, K7RA, reports: We don't know if this is a significant trend, but solar activity has really leveled off recently. Not everyone is unhappy about this: During the recent long minimum, 160 and 80 meter operators were very excited about conditions, and that enthusiasm seems to have increased of late. The average indicators this week were almost exactly the same as last. The average daily sunspot number rose from 55.6 to 55.7, while the average daily solar flux declined 2.6 points to 105. In an unusual coincidence, the average planetary A index and mid-latitude numbers were the same this week as last, 8 and 6.7 The latest prediction shows solar flux at 105 on February 23-24, 100 on February 25, 95 on February 26-29, 100 on March 1-4, 105 on March 5-11, 110 on March 12-13, and rising to 115 on March 14-19. The prediction also sees planetary A index at 8 on February 23, 5 on February 24-28, 7 on February 29, 5 on March 1, 8 on March 2-3, and 5 on March 4-6. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, February 24. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Disney's Cars <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disney_Cars>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- February 24 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- February 24-26 -- CQ 160 Meter Contest (SSB)
- February 25-26 -- Mississippi QSO Party; North American QSO Party (RTTY); REF Contest (SSB); UBA DX Contest (CW)
- February 26 -- High Speed Club CW Contest; SARL Digital Contest
- February 26-27 -- North Carolina QSO Party
- February 27 -- CQC Winter QSO Sprint

Next week:

- March 3 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- March 3-4 -- ARRL International DX Contest (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>
- March 4 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- March 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint; AGCW YL-CW Party

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> SILENT KEY: BILL SIMONS, W9BB, SILENT KEY; DEVELOPED SHURE MICROPHONES

William A. Simons, W9BB (ex-W9YXJ), passed away in Minnesota on January 2. He was 84. He earned his Class B ticket in 1941 at the age of 14 and converted a cathedral radio into his first transmitter. Later, Simons earned DXCC using homebrew gear of his own design. Eventually, he earned a top spot on the ARRL DXCC Honor Roll. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/bill-simons-w9bb-silent-key-developed-shure-microphones>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- February 25 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-2>, South Burlington, Vermont
- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest>, Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-hamfest-2>, Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>, Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana-hamfest>, Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest-1>, Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-tm>, Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest>, Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>, Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa

trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine
- April 7 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-1>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett,
Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle,
Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho;
63rd International DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>,
Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radi
o-electronics-expo-1>,
Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe,
Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

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193. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-014E - Volunteers Needed for RAC Band PlanningCommittees

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An International Space Station school contact has been planned Monday
February 27, 2012 with participants at ESTEC, Noordwijk, the Netherlands

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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Denis 9A7DCK will be active on the 24th of February 2012 from Castle Gornja
Rijeka, WCA: 9A-00056, 9A-COTA: 9A-056

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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New Amateur Radio Club in Devon

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The Riviera Amateur Radio Club (RARC) has recently been formed in Torquay, Devon

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Bournemouth Rally cancelled

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The Bournemouth Rally had been due to take place on March 11 but an announcement has been made that it is cancelled

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Hollywood movie features Morse Code, Homebrew Equipment - and Sea Monsters!

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The ARRL reports on the new movie Journey 2: The Mysterious Island

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Ham Radio featured in The Republic

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Doug Dunn K7YD is the only active radio amateur left out of the 40 or so listed in Park County

196. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1802 - February 24 2012

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1802 - February 24 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1802 with a release date of February 24th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Ham radio could have another new band a few years from now; The Republic of South Sudan gets its callsign block; the FCC asks Congress for more funds in fiscal year 2013 and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration asks for voluntary rather than mandatory compliance by car makers in combating distracted driving from automotive electronics. Find out more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1802 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: A PERMANENT 5 MHZ HAM ALLOCATION TO BE DISCUSSED AT WRC-15

Some more good news out of Geneva, Switzerland. Somewhat overshadowed by last weeks announcement of the approval of a new ham radio band from 472 to 479 kHz at the now concluded WRC-12 comes word that yet another possible new ham radio allocation near 5 MHz. One that could become a reality at the next World Radio Communications Conference to be held in 2015. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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The band being proposed is from 5.250 to 5.450 MHz. According to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, who attended WRC-12, the original proposal came from Cuba.

In the ARRL Letter Sumner is quoted as saying that the International Amateur Radio Union team worked hard to line up support for this item. He said that the factor that worked most in their favor was that at W-R-C 07, a proposal for a 5 MHz agenda item for WRC-12 failed to gain enough support. As such, there was a feeling that the Amateur Service deserved better treatment this time around.

Sumner noted that there was active support from a number of administrations in Latin America which helped a lot, but a lot of others also had to agree to get it on the agenda. The coordinators of future Agenda Items on behalf of the regional telecommunications organizations, such as CITEL and CEPT, eventually agreed on a package of Agenda Items that included this item.

Tim Ellam, VE6SH, is the President of the International Amateur Radio Union. He noted that it always a challenge to have things placed on the agenda for future World Radiocommunication Conferences. As such Ellam says that that he is pleased that we were successful in having an Agenda Item for a potential allocation at 5 MHz on a secondary basis on the agenda.

Ellam does however caution that there will be a lot of work to do over the next International Telecommunications Union study group cycle. He adds that there is much appreciation is owed to the International Amateur Radio Union and the national delegation teams in Geneva for their hard work on this issue.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Pittsburg Pennsylvania.

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The permanent 5 MHz amateur band proposal will be Agenda Item 1.4 at WRC-15. More about it and the rest of what took place at the 2012 conference is on line at the ARRL website. A direct link to the story is at tinyurl.com/wrc-2012-wrapup. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: REPUBLIC OF THE SOUTH SUDAN AWARDED Z8A TO Z8Z CALL SIGN BLOCK

The International Telecommunication Union has announced the official callsign allocation prefix block for the newly crated nation of the Republic of South Sudan will be Z8A through Z8Z. The Republic of South Sudan joined the United Nations on July 14, 2011 at which time it became the 193rd member of that august world body. (Facebook DX Forum)

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RADIO FUNDING: FCC ASKS $346,000,000 BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013

The Federal Communications Commission is asking Congress for more money to ramp up its operations including enforcement. Its also talking new license fees. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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The FCC has asked Congress to approve a 2013 fiscal year budget of $346 million. That compares to an approximate $6 million increase over the approximate $340 million the agency received for fiscal year 2012.

If approved as is by Congress, there would be 141 new FCC staff members, bringing the total to 1,917 over the current 1,776. The number of full-time staffers at the Media Bureau would increase from 197 to 213. The Enforcement Bureau would go from 276 to 299 and the Office of Engineering & Technology would increase from the current 81 to 87 staffers.

Part of the money would also be used for eight new vehicles and to replace obsolete signal analysis equipment with new direction-finding and wireless monitoring gear in existing vehicles. These are the mobile units that field agents use to detect unauthorized transmissions and resolve interference issues.

The commission would also have new authority to set user fees on un-auctioned spectrum licenses as a spectrum management tool. Fees would be phased in over time to determine the appropriate application and the monetary amount.

The FCC tentatively plans to begin levying such fees sometime this year, and estimate those could total $4.8 billion through 2022. Its unknown if such licensing fees would or even could be applied to Amateur Service, FRS or 11 meter Citizens Band operations. The latter two would be highly unlikely due to the non-licensed nature of operations on those bands. Amateur Radio is already bringing in a profit through the Vanity Callsign program.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The agency's budget request is part of President Obama's total budget submission of $3.8 trillion for fiscal year 2013, which begins October 1st. (RW)

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RADIO FUNDING: BROADCAST BOARD OF GOVERNORS SUBMITS REDUCED BUDGET

The United States Broadcasting Board of Governors which oversees government supported broadcasts to other parts of the world has sent its 2013 fiscal year budget request to congress. The $720 million request is lower than its 2012 budget and includes program, transmission and staffing reductions at the Voice of America, Office of Cuba Broadcasting, Radio Free Europe, Radio Liberty, Radio Free Asia and the Middle East Broadcasting Network. Four broadcast language services are proposed for elimination including both Greek and Chechen. The 2013 request also calls for another $21 million in cuts in administrative and technical support services costs across the agency and of the board itself.

But what's not going into on the air operations has another destination. Referring to the so called new media, the 2013 budget request contains $9 million in increases for elevated social media and building out the agency's digital infrastructure. It also asks for $11.6 million in fighting Internet censorship.

The Broadcasting Board of Governors estimates the five government funded civilian broadcast networks it oversees currently reach 187 million people each week. Its 2013 budget request contains an overall 4 point 2% decrease over current spending levels that the Board hopes

will be enough to meet the approval on Capitol Hill in this era of extreme economic austerity. (B&C)

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COMMUNICATIONS LAW: NHTSA PROPOSES VOLUNTARY ANTI DISTRACTED DRIVING GUIDELINES

Ham radio operators and other two-way radio users can breathe a proverbial sigh of relief. At least for now. This with word that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will not seek mandatory regulations regarding what types of technology controls will be placed on auto makers to help thwart distracted drivers. Instead they are issuing voluntary guidelines to the auto makers as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK.

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The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has proposed voluntary safety guidelines for auto manufacturers, including a recommendation that they design dashboards so that distracting devices are automatically disabled unless the vehicle is stopped and the transmission is in park.

The guidelines, which are directed at passenger cars and sport utility vehicles, would exempt safety devices such as electronic warning systems that alert drivers to potential collisions or lane changes. GPS and other navigation devices that provide directions also would be permitted while driving, but the safety administration is asking that the systems be designed so drivers can't manually enter a destination unless the car is in park.

Other dashboard technologies recommended for automatic disabling include text-messaging, Internet browsing, social media browsing, phone dialing and computer screen messages of 30 characters or more that are unrelated to driving.

The guidelines would make exceptions for these devices if they are designed only for use by passengers and can't be accessed or seen by the driver. Also there is no mention of any cutoff to external power receptacles such as cigarette lighters which are used by many hams, CB'ers and G-M-R-S operators to power low-power two way transceivers.

David Strickland is the groups Administrator. He told the press that while his agency recognizes that manufacturers want to build vehicles that include the tools and conveniences expected by today's American drivers, that the guidelines they are proposing would offer real-world guidance to automakers. Also that it would help them develop electronic devices that provide features consumers want without disrupting a driver's attention or sacrificing safety.

Manufacturers also are urged to take steps to improve the safety of technologies that drivers are allowed to use while driving. That

includes reducing to two seconds or less the amount of time drivers must divert their eyes from the road to use a device. Devices should be designed so drivers don't have to use more than one hand or glance through extraneous information.

According to Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood, one reason National Highway Traffic Safety Administration decided to pursue voluntary guidelines instead of mandatory rules is that officials wanted to do something quickly. He noted that the process for writing federal rules often takes years to complete.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, near Zion Illinois.

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The final impact these new guidelines on the ability of hams to permanently install after-market two way radio gear in their vehicles will not be known until the new designs appear in car showrooms. And that's likely several years away. (NHSTA release, other published reports)

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YHOTY: NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR 2012 AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

The nominating season for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open.

Created in 1986, this award is offered to recognize the accomplishments of a radio amateur age 18 or younger for his or her accomplishments in service to the nation, his or her community or to the advancement of the state of the art through amateur radio.

Nominees must reside in the United States 50 states or its possessions or in any of the 10 Canadian provinces.

As in years past, Yaesu USA will transport the winner to the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville , Alabama, where the award will be formally presented. Yaesu will also provide Hotel accommodations as well as convention tickets and a prize of amateur radio equipment to the winner. CQ Magazine will again treat this year's recipient to a week at Spacecamp-Huntsville. Heil Sound Ltd. will be presenting this year's winner with an additional prize. Amateur Radio Newsline will present

the winner with the official Young Ham of the Year Award plaque which again this year is underwritten by Dave Bell, W6AQ, of DBA Entertainment in Hollywood, California.

If for some reason the person selected is unable to travel to the Huntsville Hamfest, Amateur Radio Newsline will attempt to arrange a special award ceremony where the recipient resides, such as at his or her school or amateur radio club.

Please note that the prizes given to the recipient are second in nature to the actual Young Ham of the Year Award. All nominations and materials required by the official rules must be received by ARNewsline before May 30, 2012.

Complete details, rules and a required nominating form in Adobe .pdf format are available on our website at www.arnewsline.org/yhoty. Nominating forms can also be obtained by sending a self addressed stamped envelope to Amateur Radio Newsline Inc., Young Ham of the Year Award, 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350.

Please note tat all nominating forms and support materials become the property of the Amateur Radio Newsline and cannot be returned.

Again the cutoff date for nominations is May 30, 2012. Nominating forms are on-line at www.arnewsline.org/yhoty. (ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC WANTS ANSWERS ABOUT WISCONSIN FM TRANSLATOR

The commission's Media Bureau wants answers from Radio Power Inc. about W250BN, a translator on 97.9 MHz in Wisconsin. The translator started out in the city of Beloit is now living on the air in West Allis. This after a series of moves in the last two years. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, is in Reno, Nevada, where Power Radio has its headquarters:

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Last November the Milwaukee Free Radio Group wrote to the FCC, calling Radio Power's actions in relocating its translator from site to site a preconceived scheme to move a translator a distance of 69 miles from Beloit to Milwaukee. It insinuated that Radio Power was trying to accomplish this by using minor changes so as to circumvent the requirement to wait for a window for filing a major change.

Now the FCC is acting. Peter Doyle is the chief of the FCC's Audio Division of the Media Bureau. He has sent what is described as a strongly worded, certified letter to Radio Power in Reno, Nevada. In part the letter states that the Media Bureau is investigating potential statutory and rule violations and related instances of potential misrepresentation and/or lack of candor on the part of Radio Power Inc. Specifically, it is alleged that the licensee abused commission processes by effectuating a major change in the facilities of Station

W250BN, now licensed to West Allis, Wisconsin by a succession of serial minor change applications.

The FCC told Radio Power to answer its questions within 30 days. It wants to know if Radio Power had a reasonable assurance that the specified sites would be available for the intended use. It demanded a copy of all documents relating to the securing of reasonable assurance of site availability; and it wants to know the precise length of time during which the licensee broadcast from each of the facilities.

The FCC also wants a copy of any documents relating to the station's operation for each of the locations The FCC also wants to know the precise length of time during which the station was silent for more than 30 days, and why.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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The FCC also wants to know what community the licensee of W250BN ultimately intends to serve, the primary station it intends to rebroadcast along with copies of all documents relating to the relocation of the station away from the city of Beloit. (FCC, RW)

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RADIO LAW: CONGRESS TO INVESTIGATE FCC OVER LIGHTSQUARED FAST TRACK

The FCC appears to be on the hot seat with congress over the way its been handling the entire matter of the licensing of LightSquared's proposal to create its high speed Internet service in spectrum adjacent to that used by the Global Positioning System or GPS.

In an e-mailed press statement, Iowa Senator Charles Grassley who has been investigating the FCC's interactions with LightSquared, said that the agency put this project on a fast track for approval with what appears to have been completely inadequate technical research. As a result, Grassley is blocking two Obama administration Commission nominees until he gets more documents about the matter from the FCC.

Now the House of Representatives is also about to look at the LightSquared matter. Oregon Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI, chairs the House Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. He has said that he plans a hearing on how the agency's handling of the LightSquared application for its broadband network led to a year of dispute. (Published reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: SOME PEOPLE DO NOT LEARN THE FIRST TIME

>From the some people never learn file comes a story you may find hard to believe. It's about a person to who after being accused of running an unlicensed station and then paying a reduced fine apparently went

right back on the air again. Jim Damron, N8TMW, reports:

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES A FLURRY OF FLORIDA FINES

There's been a lot of unlicensed radio station fines issued by the FCC's Enforcement Bureau to Florida residents in recent weeks.

The Commission has issued a new $25,000 Notice of Apparent Liability against Whistler Fleurinor of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. This for allegedly operating an unlicensed transmitter on 99.5 MHz in 2011.

The agency says that it raised the fine by $15,000 over the base amount because Fleurinor continued operating an illegal station on the same frequency from the same commercial property after he was issued an earlier fine of $20,000. In that instance, the FCC lowered the penalty to $500 based on Fleurinor's proof of inability to pay the higher assessment.

In issuing the new forfeiture order the FCC noted that the fact that Fleurinor had again committed the same violation, and did so multiple times after he had already been found to be in serious violation in the first N-A-L. It said that this action by Fleurinor demonstrated not only the egregiousness nature of the violations, but also his deliberate disregard for the Communications Act and for the FCC's rules.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, reporting.

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Fleurinor was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. If he does the latter and basses his appeal on his inability to pay, it will be very interesting to see the FCC's response this time around. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: W7W CELEBRATES ARIZONA STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL FEB 25

Arizona's Superstition Amateur Radio Club will be operating a special event station W7W on February 25th as in the city of Mesa. This is the annual celebration of The Lost Dutchman Mine story at the museum in Apache Junction. It is also in observance of the Arizona Statehood Centennial . More information can be found on line at WB7TJD.org. (K2DFE)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SEVHFS CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN

Registration is now open for the 2012 Southeastern VHF Society Conference slated for Charlotte, North Carolina, from April 20th to the 21st. The meeting will feature technical programs, noise figure and

antenna gain testing, banquet prizes, vendor displays, and an equipment auction. ARRL President Kay Cragie, N3KN, will be the banquet speaker. A downloadable registration form in Adobe .pdf format is on-line at tinyurl.com/southeastern-vhf (WA2ODO, VHF Reflector)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: IOTA DINNER AT THE INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION

The 17th annual Islands on the Air or IOTA Dinner will be held in conjunction with the 63rd annual Visalia International DX Convention on Friday evening April 20th. The venue will be the Plaza Room of the Holiday Inn Hotel on Airport Drive in Visalia, California

This dinner is open to all who are active in the Islands on the Air program or who just want to see beautiful pictures of far away islands. Also, as at previous IOTA dinners, admission is free for those wishing to watch the programs without dining but paid attendees will receive priority seating.

At this time, buffet service is set for 50 attendees. The cost is $33 per person. Reservations must be prepaid by April 10th and go to Ray Benny, N6VR, 462 South Reed Road, Chino Valley, Arizona, 86323.

More about this years International DX Convention is on-line at dxconvention.org. (IOTA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ZL1TGC ASCENDS TO NZART PRESIDENCY

Some names in the news: First up is Vaughan Henderson, ZL1TGC, who has assumed the presidency of New Zealand's national society, the NZART. This following the resignation of Roy Symon ZL2KH on Monday, February 20th.

According to a press release, Symon had served as NZART President for the last three years and was completing his last term. He was due to finish at the 2013 Annual General Meeting where he had planned to hand over to his successor. Instead he tendered his resignation to the NZART citing personal reasons.

In accordance with the organization's constitution, ZL1TGC who was serving as Vice-President became the new President. The NZART Executive Council will now have to elect a new Vice-President. (NZART)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WA6ILE AND KG6YPI TO SPEAKER MONTEREY RADIOFEST

Back in the United States, Scott Avery, WA6LIE and Brandon Hansen, KG6YPI will be guest speakers at the New Ham Forum at his years Radiofest being held in Monterey, California, on March 3rd. The two will be discussing remote radio operations and its applications. More information is on-line at www.raiofest.org. (WA6LIE)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: D-STAR COMES TO NAMIBIA

D-Star is truly going places where it has never been before. This with word that radio amateurs in Windhoek, Namibia now have their own D-Star repeater operational and on the air.

Reportedly, the biggest challenge to getting the system operational was obtaining a stable data connection to the internet. This was solved with a 3G connection and the help of the biggest cellular telephone service provider in Namibia.

Right now the system is at a temporary low level location. According to V51JP, the Repeater will be moved to its final site as soon as everyone is satisfied that it is performing correctly. V51JP also says that he thanks DL1YBL and DL5DI for their assistance in getting the new D-Star repeater up and running.

More about this new D-Star system in Namibia is on-line www.qsl.net/narl. (V51JP)

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WORLDBEAT: QF RADIO TO SWITCH FORMATS ON FM

QF Radio will launch an all-English broadcast on 91.7 FM in Quatar. The station is an operation of the Qatar Foundation, a social and educational foundation based in Qatar. It delivers its programs across all segments of society by means of on-air broadcasts, the Internet, smart-phones and other developing technologies. In addition to music and news, the station airs programs for students, featuring cultural and scientific issues. The station will also switch to an all Arabic format on 93.7 FM, where it currently airs a mix of Arabic and English-language programming. (MN)

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WORLDBEAT: ITU ENACTS NEW RULE TO STOP SATELLITE JAMMING

The International Telecommunication Union has called upon the world's nations to take all 'necessary actions to stop intentional interference with satellite transmissions. The change in regulations, which was approved at the just concluded World Radiocommunication Conference came after numerous complaints that international satellite TV programs in

the Persian and Arabic languages were suffering from deliberate interference.

The new rule says that administrations shall ascertain the facts and take the necessary actions when they encounter jamming. What actions these might be were not spelled out in the document.

The two satellite operators that have been targeted are Eutelsat and Arabsat. They claim that the jamming signals originate from Iran and Syria. The interference, which has increased since September, 2011, has affected numerous broadcasters including programming from the British Broadcasting Corporation, Germany's Deutsche Welle, and RFE's Radio Farda.

Joining in backing the revised ITU anti-jamming rule to fight this willful and malicious interference to satellite transmissions were Radio Netherlands Worldwide and the European Broadcasting Union. (MN)

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WORLDBEAT: PHILIPPINE ARC CELEBRATES GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

The Philippine Amateur Radio League is celebrating its Golden Anniversary in 2012. To commemorate this milestone the organization is sponsoring an on-the-air operation that will award a special commemorative certificate to hams world-wide who make contact with its members.

Also throughout 2012 the club will be operating with the special event call sign of 4G0LD. QSL information along with the rules to qualify for the Golden Anniversary award can be found at www.dx1l.dxhams.net/Awards.htm (DU1XX, NZART)

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RADIOSPORTS: SARL DIGITAL CONTEST FEBRUARY 26

>From the Radiosports file comes word that the first in the series of South African Radio League sponsored digital contests will be held on Sunday, February 26 from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC with PSK and RTTY activity on 80, 40 and 20 meters. The exchange is a simple R-S-T report and a serial number starting at 001. Stations maybe contacted twice per band, once on PSK and once on RTTY. Other contests date will be announced in the future. More is on-line at www.sarl.za. (SARL)

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HAM TECHNOLOGY: COLORADO 6 METER BEACON BACK ON FREQUENCY

Dave Clingerman, W6OAL, reports that the Colorado 6 meter beacon is back up and running on its published frequency of 50.065 MHz. The beacon had gone into wander mode for a few days after a suspected crystal oven failure had it sliding around its normal operating frequency.

According to W6OAL, a spare local oscillator unit can sometimes come in handy. Installing it apparently was the fix. Dave adds that beacon reports are appreciated whenever the band is open. (VHF Reflector)

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In DX, word that W5JON will once again be active as V47JA from his vacation home at Calypso Bay, St. Kitts from February 28th through March 28th. His activity will be on 80 through 6 meters using SSB. While on the island he plans to operate during the ARRL International DX Contest on March 3rd and 4th and the CQ WPX SSB Contest March 24th through the 25th. ALL QSL's to W5JON either direct

ON4AVT will be on the air as C5AVT from Gambia from February 28th to March 20th. He will be active mostly on 15 meters using the digital PSK mode. QSL via home call.

G3SWH and G3OLU will be operational from western Swaziland as 3DA0PW through February 29th. Their main objective is to work as many European and North American stations on as many different bands as possible and hope to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either direct, via the bureau or using the facility on www.g3swh.org.uk.

Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society and the 9M4SDX Team will be active as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Island from April 10th to the 24th. If you work them QSL direct to 9M2TO either direct or via the bureau to Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter's Society. More details will be forthcoming shortly.

DF7ZS, will be on the air from Aruba stroke P4 from P40V's QTH between March 21st to the 27th. Activity will be casual but he will operate during the CQ WPX SSB Contest using the callsign P41P. QSL P4/DF7ZS via DF7ZS. QSL P41P via W3HNK.

Nine members of the 'A DX Group' will be active from Coloane Island between May 17th and the 23rd. Operations will be on 160 through 6 meters, including the 30, 17 and 12 meter bands. Modes used will be CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be at least three stations on the air at the same time on different bands and modes. The group's callsign will not be announced until the beginning of their operations. QSL via EB7DX, direct or by the Spanish Bureau. All QSO's will be confirmed electronically via Logbook of the World.

Lastly, DL1NL will be operational portable OA4 from Lima, Peru, until early March. His activity is only in his spare time on 160-10 meters CW, with some SSB, from the Radio Club Peruano station. QSL via DL1NL, either direct or via the bureau. No electronic QSL's are accepted by this station.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE AMPLION SPEAKER FROM 1926 VIDEO

And finally this week, the history of the early 20th century Amplion loudspeaker is a story told in a recently released video by Trilith Films in the United Kingdom. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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Titled "A Tale Retold" the video tells the story of UK radio amateur Frank Marshall who in 1998 told Trilith pictures about a collection of old motion picture films that had been stored under his workbench for decades. He thought that among them might be one film he had particularly enjoyed as a boy. It was an advertisement for an early loudspeaker called the Amplion. One that had been used in local cinemas in the 1920's and by his father's pioneering radio business on the Isle of Portland.

When rescued from the pile of rotting nitrate film it was discovered that the film entitled "The Tale of the Amplion" was a here to fore unknown work by the famous illustrator William Heath Robinson. It is almost certainly the only animated cartoon that Robinson ever made.

The tale is retold by Frank Marshall who preserved the film, Gerry Wells of the Vintage Wireless Museum in London and Geoffrey Beare of the William Heath Robinson Trust. Included is the film as it originally appeared but with a especially composed musical sound track created by composer Stephen Deutsch.

A very interesting 20 minutes indeed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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This video was shot and edited by John Holman for Trilith and now appears on Transition Vision's Heritage Channel. Its available for world-wide viewing on-line at YouTube. It can be found at tinyurl.com/amplion. (Southgate, ARNewsline(tm), others)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DE, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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197. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News, Updated at Fri Feb 24 17:26:27 UTC 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-24 17:27:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d5473634a04b9b8daff@google.com>
Source record: 3564
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1802 February 24 2012

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 11:02 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335089-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1802--February-24-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1802 ☐ February 24 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1802 with a release date of February 24th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Ham radio could have another new band a few years from now; The Republic of South Sudan gets its callsign block; the FCC asks Congress for more funds in fiscal year 2013 and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration asks for voluntary rather than mandatory compliance by car makers in combating distracted driving from automotive electronics. Find out more on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1802 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: A PERMANENT 5 MHZ HAM ALLOCATION TO BE DISCUSSED AT WRC-15

Some more good news out of Geneva, Switzerland. Somewhat overshadowed by last weeks announcement of the approval of a new ham radio band from 472 to 479 kHz at the now concluded WRC-12 comes word that yet another possible new ham radio allocation near 5 MHz. One that could become a reality at the next World Radio Communications Conference to be held in 2015. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

198. eHam.net News, Updated on Fri Feb 24 2012 at 23:21 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 04:41:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f23586b9f467404b9be05a6@google.com>
Source record: 3565
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Mont. Radio Operator Hams It Up from His Home:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 04:21 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27782

LIVINGSTON, Mont. (WTW) -- There are not many hobbies where you can relay messages for emergency personnel during an unfolding disaster one day, talk to astronauts on the International Space Station another, then talk to your buddies in Morse code at a rate of 35 words per minute, well, every day. But that's Shields Valley resident Doug Dunn's hobby. Dunn, a retired 65-year-old, is an amateur radio -- more commonly known as "ham radio" -- operator. And like so many ham radio aficionados around the world, he is passionate about the hobby. A small den in Dunn's home 16 miles north of Livingston is dominated by radio gear. On a recent afternoon, it crackled with activity as Dunn, whose call sign is K7YD, communicated with friends using voice and rapid-fire Morse code, tapped out at a blinding pace on a semi-automatic Morse key set -- the descendant of the old telegraph set of the 1800s.

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Arlington Seeking Licensed Ham Radio Users:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 04:19 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27781

Arlington is putting out a call for a local licensed ham radio operator to help the town with a back-up emergency communication system. The town has issued a notice seeking an amateur radio operator to volunteer with Arlington's public safety departments in case communications systems, such as police and fire radios and telephones, fail during an emergency. Arlington Fire Chief Robert Jefferson said it would likely have to be a very extreme scenario for the town to resort to using a ham radio, but the medium does offer some extra redundancy to other communication methods. "You never know," the chief said. Several years ago Arlington used a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to purchase a ham radio for emergency use. But Jefferson said the town was relying on other communities in the Battle Road Regional Emergency Planning Committee to supply someone who was trained at using the equipment.

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ARNewsline Report 1801 -- Feb 24 2012:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 04:27 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27780

The following is a QST. Ham radio could have another new band a few years from now; The Republic of South Sudan gets its callsign block; the FCC asks Congress for more funds in fiscal year 2013 and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration asks for voluntary rather than mandatory compliance by car makers in combating distracted driving from automotive electronics. Find out more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1802 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #08:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 01:03 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27774

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 01:02 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27773

This Week in Radiosport:

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Payroll Tax Bill Includes Provision for Amateur Radio Study:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 01:03 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27772

A bill that passed both the House and the Senate on February 17 -- and signed into law by President Obama on Wednesday, February 22 -- includes a provision for a study of the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief.

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Republic Of South Sudan Assigned Z8 Prefix:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 01:02 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27771

After a wait of more than seven months after being accepted as a member of the United Nations, the Republic of South Sudan received its prefix block from the
International Telecommunication Union (ITU): Z8.

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The ARRL International DX Contest Gears Up for SSB:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 01:01 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27770

According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, for this contest, stations in the US and Canada work only DX stations, and DX stations work only the US and Canada; Alaska and Hawaii are considered DX for this contest. DX stations will be trying to make QSOs with all US states and Canadian provinces. The contest exchange is simple: US and Canadian stations send a signal report and their state or province, while DX stations send a signal report and the amount of power they are transmitting with.

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Blockbuster Movie Features Morse Code, Homebrew Equipment, and Sea Monsters

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 01:00 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27769

In the movie Journey 2: The Mysterious Island, Sean Anderson (played by Josh Hutcherson) receives a coded distress signal that comes from a mysterious island where no island should exist. Sean decides to follow the signal with the unwilling assistance from his stepfather Hank (played by Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson).

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W1AW March Qualifying Runs:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 01:00 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27768

W1AW Qualifying Runs are 10 PM EST Friday, March 9 (0300 UTC March 10) (10-40 WPM) and 7 PM EDT (2300 UTC) Tuesday, March 20. The West Coast Qualifying Run will be transmitted by station K6KPH on 3581.5, 7047.5, 14047.5, 18097.5 and 21067.5 kHz at 2 PM PDT (2200 UTC) Saturday, March 17.

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Bill Simons, W9BB, Silent Key; Developed Shure Microphones:

Posted: 23 Feb 2012 12:59 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27767

William A. Simons, W9BB (ex-W9YXJ), passed away in Minnesota on January 2. He was 84. He earned his Class B ticket in 1941 at the age of 14 and converted a cathedral radio into his first transmitter. Later, Simons earned DXCC using homebrew gear of his own design. Eventually, he earned a top spot on the ARRL DXCC Honor Roll.

199. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 25 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 11:24:33 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340e5d15552504b9c81ef6@google.com>
Source record: 3566
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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100 years since the Titanic

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2Y0i880G3yE/titanic_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On April 15, 2012 it will be exactly 100 years since the Titanic collided with an iceberg and sank

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National Radio Centre to open this weekend

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pIRW1eRiB9U/national_radio_centre_to_open_this_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park will be opening its doors for the first time on Saturday 25 February

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Response from Ofcom on 5 MHz NoV

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JOrsa5eSOrY/response_from_ofcom_on_5_mhz_nov.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following proposals from the RSGB to Ofcom, aimed at harmonising our NoV access to 5 MHz with that access enjoyed by radio amateurs in other countries, the Society has received an offer from the primary user, which in the UK is the MoD

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZO6dddbMoJY/february_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We don't know if this is a significant trend, but solar activity has really leveled off recently. Not everyone is unhappy about this

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Christchurch Intermediate success

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kC6E6Z-vbts/christchurch_intermediate_success.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Christchurch Amateur Radio Society (CARS) held an Intermediate exam on
Feb 18 - all 8 candidates passed

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RSGB - Seeking your views

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r2fUwpwdrCI/rsgb_seeking_your_views.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB is seeking views on the new 5 MHz allocation proposals and the
Queen’s Diamond Jubilee QSO Party draft rules

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VK9ZR Mellish Reef 1982

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L6zC7jLnCDw/vk9zr_mellish_reef_1982.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A video of the 1982 Coral Sea DXpediton to Mellish Reef, VK9ZR, has been
released on YouTube

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New venue for Riviera Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_kSe6HiKDn0/riviera_amateur_radio_club_new_venue.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Riviera Amateur Radio Club (RARC) - a new radio club formed in January
2012 in Torquay, Devon - now has a new meeting venue

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South Cook Islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vKe7l4xCmMQ/south_cook_islands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for the E51M DXpedition that is going to North Cook Islands to also be
active as E51MCW from Rarotonga, South Cook Islands, between April 11-14th,
after their operation on Manihiki

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Weekend Sky Show

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_UqJ--SkFzE/weekend_sky_show.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is a great weekend to watch the sun go down

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Grenada operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fEiFJfCKX44/grenada.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Harry, AC8G, will use the J37K callsign during a visit to the island
between March 1-4th

200. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 25 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 14:35:43 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mork@nospam4me.invalid>
Message-ID: <jiarjuufn1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3567
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

Chronos <me3@privacy.net> wrote in news:jiaq89noo1@dont-email.me:

> Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed wrote:
>
>> The RSGB is seeking views on the new 5 MHz allocation proposals
>
> Initial feelings are good on this proposal from Ofcom and the MoD. One
> thing I would urge is to allow WSPR for the 200Hz centred on
> 5.2887MHz. Since propagation is the primary motivation behind the
> RSGB's 5MHz experiment (which isn't, incidentally, the primary
> motivation for all of us with NoVs) WSPR harmonisation makes sense.
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201. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 24 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 14:37:11 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mork@nospam4me.invalid>
Message-ID: <jiarmnufn2@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3568
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> wrote
> Doug Dunn K7YD is the only active radio amateur left out of the 40 or
> so listed in Park County
>
>
tahnks to woger

202. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 23 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 14:39:20 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mork@nospam4me.invalid>
Message-ID: <jiarqnufn3@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3569
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> wrote
> Four amateur radio operators will be active from the Lotsane Safari
> Lodge between March 18-27th
>
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>
perhap we culod have teh punce net tehn qsy?

203. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 15:13:35 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <250bd49e-e2dc-48cd-bdbe-9bb9f3839516@l1g2000vbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3570
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 25, 9:37 am, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
>
get kelp
fanboi fake

204. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 15:14:04 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <ff86a357-3989-41c8-8950-0a88d09e0fad@i2g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3572
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 25, 9:39 am, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
>
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205. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 15:16:29 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <29d749ad-4a2b-4ba2-a781-a4eef859a65d@w9g2000vbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3571
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 25, 9:39 am, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
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206. SARL News in English 25/2/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 17:31:14 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <E7F616D4927345D79638E2C6608366E4@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3573
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we have to announce that the key of Quintin Jannasch, ZS6FM, became silent on February 13th, 2012.

Our sincere condolences go to his wife, children, grand children,other relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN ASSIGNED Z8 PREFIX

SARL COUNCIL MEETS AT NARC

ITU ENACTS NEW RULE TO STOP SATELLITE JAMMING

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN ASSIGNED Z8 PREFIX

After a wait of more than seven months after being accepted as a member of the United Nations, the Republic of South Sudan received its prefix block Z8 from the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). On July 14, 2011 -- after South Sudan's admittance to the UN -- the new country became a DXCC entity by way of Section II, 1(a) of the DXCC rules.

SARL COUNCIL MEETS AT NARC

The SARL Council met this weekend at the National Amateur Radio Centre for its annual strategy indaba to review plans for the coming year. The draft plans will be presented at the National Convention to be held in Pinetown from 20 - 22 April. The two days session is the only face to face meeting of Councillors other than a brief meeting after the AGM. Throughout the year Council meetings are held via teleconference.

The meeting spent a considerable amount of time on changes and additions to the constitution which are necessary to comply with SA Revenue Service's rules for non profit associations. The proposed changes will be published in the AGM Agenda booklet for discussion at the AGM .

The SARS regulations will impact also on clubs, the SARL is in the process of developing guidelines for use by clubs to assist them to comply.

ITU ENACTS NEW RULE TO STOP SATELLITE JAMMING

The International Telecommunication Union has called upon the world's nations to take all necessary actions to stop intentional interference with satellite transmissions. The change in regulations, which was approved at the just concluded World Radio Communication Conference came after numerous complaints that international satellite TV programmes in the Persian and Arabic languages were suffering from deliberate interference.

The new rule says that administrations shall ascertain the facts and take the necessary actions when they encounter jamming. What actions these might be were not spelled out in the document.

The two satellite operators that have been targeted are Eutelsat and Arabsat. They claim that the jamming signals originate from Iran and Syria. The interference, which has increased since September, 2011, has affected numerous broadcasters including programming from the British Broadcasting Corporation, Germany's Deutsche Welle, and RFE's Radio Farda.

Joining in backing the revised ITU anti-jamming rule to fight this willful and malicious interference to satellite transmissions were Radio Netherlands Worldwide and the European Broadcasting Union.

THE AMPLION SPEAKER FROM 1926 VIDEO

The history of the early 20th century Amplion loudspeaker is a story told in a recently released video by Trilith Films in the United Kingdom. In "A Tale Retold" the video tells the story of UK radio amateur Frank Marshall who in 1998 told Trilith Pictures about a collection of old motion picture films that had been stored under his workbench for decades. He thought that among them might be one film he had particularly enjoyed as a boy. It was an advertisement for an early loudspeaker called the Amplion, one that had been used in local cinemas in the 1920's and by his father's pioneering radio business on the Isle of Portland.

When rescued from the pile of rotting nitrate film it was discovered that the film entitled "The Tale of the Amplion" was a here to fore unknown work by the famous illustrator William Heath Robinson. It is almost certainly the only animated cartoon that Robinson ever made.

The tale is retold by Frank Marshall who preserved the film, Gerry Wells of the Vintage Wireless Museum in London and Geoffrey Beare of the William Heath Robinson Trust. Included is the film as it originally appeared but with an especially composed musical sound track created by composer Stephen Deutsch.

The video was shot and edited by John Holman for Trilith and now appears on Transition Vision's Heritage Channel. It's available for world-wide viewing on-line at YouTube. It can be found at tinyurl.com/amplion.

ERIC JAMIESON INDIAN OCEAN AWARDS

The Wireless Institute of Australia Board meeting in Melbourne over the weekend of 18-19 February 2012 accepted the offer of Eric Jamieson, VK5LP, to sponsor awards for first amateur radio contacts on the two metre (144 MHz) band spanning the Indian Ocean between Australia and Africa. There will be three awards, for voice, CW and digital modes and will be known as the Eric Jamieson Indian Ocean Awards.

In presenting a sum of money to the WIA Foundation to fund the Awards, Eric said: "I acknowledge that spanning the Indian Ocean will not be easy but one cannot say that it will never be accomplished. The degree of difficulty may be judged from the so far inability to span the much shorter Atlantic Ocean despite concerted attempts in order to win the Brendan Atlantic Ocean trophies."

The Indian Ocean Award is designed to encourage experimentation in propagation and long distance communication techniques in the two metre amateur band.

COMPETITION NEWS

2012 SARL QRP Contest

16 logs and 1 check log were received. According to the logs, 303 contacts were made between the 81 stations who took part. 63 stations operated SSB only, whilst 10 stations did CW only and 8 stations operated in both SSB and CW modes.

The results are as follows:-

1st ZS6XT 936 points 2nd ZS2ACP 930 points 3rd ZS6PX 408 points 4th ZS6A 400 points

The full results have been posted on the forum.

SARL Digital Contest

The first leg of the SARL Digital contest takes place and lasts from 13:00 UTC till 16:00 UTC [15:00 till 18:00 CAT]. The rules can be found

in the 2012 Contest Manual

SARL 80 Metre Club Contest.

The first contest in this series was a CW contest and logs were received from the Sasolburg ARC and the West Rand ARC.

1st West Rand ARC, 7 points from 3 logs 2nd Sasolburg ARC, 2 points from 1 log

SARL National Field Day.

The February leg of the 2012 SARL National Field Day was held on 11 and 12 February and 20 logs were received.

Class A - Multi Operator Field Station: 1st West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 117 240 points 2nd Bloemfontein RAC, ZS4BFN, 64 044 points 3rd Magalies ARC, ZS6MRK, 60 840 points

Class B - Multi operator Field Station QRP: 1st Centurion ARC, ZS6CEN, 23 310 points

Class C - Single Operator Field Station: 1st Marius, ZR6MS/4, 28 320 points 2nd Bryan, ZS2SS, 10 584 points

Class D - Single Operator Field Station QRP: 1st Raoul, ZS1REC, 35 424 points 2nd Eddie, ZS6BNE, 1 620 points

Class E - General Stations: 1st Pieter, ZS6XT, 36 720 points 2nd Christo, ZS3R, 27 840 points 3rd Wessel, ZS6AWW, 7 680 points

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is expected to be at low levels. Sunspot 1 422 remains the largest visible sunspot but remains stable. Old sunspot 1 410 rotated back into view and was renumbered 1 423. It is also stable with very little chance of flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 42.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m and especially 15 m will provide lots of DX fun with 10 m only opening sporadically due to the low solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Today, 26 February - SARL Digital Contest, 15:00 to 18:00 CAT. 29 February - Leap year Challenge from 00:01 till 23:59. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to

www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp.

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207. Re: QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News, Updated at Fri Feb 24 17:26:27 UTC 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 19:16:40 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mork@nospam4me.invalid>
Message-ID: <jibc2n$lu4$7@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3574
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com (QRZ.com via rec.radio.info Admin)
wrote in news:90e6ba6e8d5473634a04b9b8daff@google.com:

> QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News
>
>
i is banned from tehm

208. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 19:59:20 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <715cf32b-45a9-41de-bf29-2df387651012@b18g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3575
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Feb 25, 2:16 pm, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
>
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209. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 20:03:22 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <43cf45ae-89a6-4d04-a2d3-ea1e9abb749e@w19g2000vbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3576

On Feb 25, 9:35 am, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
>

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fanboi fake

210. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 26 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-25 22:07:51 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <49367.218.215.68.244.1330207526.squirrel@www.wia.org.au>
Source record: 3577
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

WIANEWS - Feb 26 - VK NATIONAL NEWS - 8:04AM aest

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links & url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 26 2012.

WIA Board Meets

HIGHER POWER

Brazilian national amateur radio society LABRE

REWIND VOA

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING FEBRUARY 26 2012.

WIA Board Meets

The WIA Board met at the Bayswater, Victoria offices over last weekend, the 18 and 19 February 2012.

Because the Board only meets face to face two or three times a year, one of which is at the Annual General meeting, there is a great deal of works todo, and very many matters were discussed, and some just not reached.

WIA Treasurer John Longayroux and Secretary Sarah Thomson were also present and WIA Manager Mal Brooks kept the minutes.

Let me identify some of the issues that were addressed by the Board. Onewas the appointment of a new RD Contest Manger, to replace Peter Harding VK4OD. Alan Shannon VK4SN, who will be supported by the Lockyer Valley Radio & Electronics Club was appointed RD Contest Manager, and others who had

expressed a willingness to help, were thanked for their interest.

The Board made it clear that while it expected that there would be some rule changes for the 2012 contest, and it expected these changes to be placed on the WIA web site to allow comment, it hoped that there would not be further changes for some years.

Trent Sampson VK4TI is now the Director responsible for contests.

Concern was expressed at the number of members not renewing.

The Board agreed to attempt better communication with the clubs, continuing to provide the services it could to help them and at the same time seeking their support in attracting and retaining members of the WIA.

The Board consulted with Peter Mill the Beacon and Repeater Coordinator, and understood some of the difficulties he faced. It was agreed to use a new method of tracking beacon and repeater applications, so the office, once it was implemented, would be able know the precise stage each application was at, and advise the applicants accordingly.

Considerable time was devoted to reviewing WIA Awards. A number of changes are contemplated and the Director responsible for Awards Chris Platt will be reporting on that directly, after he has consulted with the AwardsCommittee.

The Board agreed with the general approach of the ACMA to the higher power trials, and while the ACMA will not accept any applications for licence variations before 1 March. The WIA website will provide additional information, hopefully some time later next week.

A design for a travelling badge based on the design suggested by Murray de Plater VK1MDP was chosen, and production will now be investigated.

Time was spent discussing the Commonwealths propose uniform health and work safety laws, as yet to be adopted by many of the states. These laws require a duty of care to volunteers and create offences for not discharging that duty.

Among the many other matters discussed and decided were a budget for the current year, the implications of result of the WRC-12, including agenda for the next WRC, the ongoing discussion with the ACMA on a number of matters, including the inspection of stations and the possession of transmitters by amateur licensees, the magazine, the Mildura Annual Conference, a new award for the first person to make a contact on two metres between Africa and Australia presented by Eric Jamieson VK5LP.

The Board will now resort to communicating daily by email.

It was one of the best and most constructive Board meetings I have attended.

Michael Owen VK3KI President.

To all WIA Clubs.

Ted Thrift VK2ARA our WIA Clubs Co-ordinator has come up against a brickwall regards having WIA affiliated clubs replying to him with insurance details

As Ted said in a recent 'reminder' communication, "it is very disappointing to see less than 50% of clubs respond to requests for information so that I can save them costs on Liability insurance.

I ask you, to ask if your club has done all that was asked. If not, I urge you to ask why.

After all it is for the benefit of your club that the group cover offer is made."

50 Years of anticipation all worked out on the day we celebrated John Glenn's orbit in Friendship 7 in Perth last Monday.

We had John Glenn, the Premier of WA, the Lord Mayor of Perth, Lyn Beazley the WA Chief Scientist and many other dignitaries on hand to celebrate. We even managed to squeeze in some David Bowie and a video on how to become an astronaut.

The crowds filled the Northbridge Piazza and much anticipation culminated at 10:24 UTC. Orbital calculations all worked out and the International Space Station made it across the horizon. There were some chilling seconds when Mike was calling from Honolulu, but in the end, the contact was a great success.

Of course, an event like this could not have been possible without a little help from some friends, Captain Dan Burbank on the International Space Station, the WA State Records Office, the WA Museum, the City ofPerth, ARISS, NASA and the Hills Amateur Radio Group.

A full credit list is being prepared on the Hills Amateur Radio Group website, but two people require a special mention, Tony VK5ZAI the Australian ARISS mentor and Meg VK6LUX who energetically kept the multitude of interested parties moving along making it all possible.

We managed to get Amateur Radio into the news on ABC Online, ABC radio and local television, who knows we might pick up some more amateurs along the way.

Alex VK6FLOL and Donald VK6PDS scored a place in history as prize winners for the contact.

Perhaps you can help a local school in your area for an ARISS contact next year.

Onno Benschop

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

So Have you registered to attend to the WIA Annual Conference being held in Mildura?

It's the weekend 25th - 27th May.

Saturday afternoons Technical Symposium - Technology To The Future. Hear what the experts have to say, learn about the cutting edge technology and what our Australian Amateurs have been working on, and the bright future for our hobby.

One of the presenters will be Peter Cossins, VK3BFG Peter Is a digital ATV guru having been involved with the ATV repeater VK3RTV since 1977. Peterwill talk on his experience with digital ATV - Peter's talk is titled "DVB-T what it is, and where its all going"

It's going to be a very special weekend of activities, and there is much more in store that we will continue sharing with you in upcoming broadcasts and don't forget the registration page on the WIA Website.

Up up and away, see you in Mildura this has been Robert VK3DN

TAKE IT TO A HIGHER POWER

>From 1 March 2012, the ACMA will accept applications from amateur advanced licensees to use transmitter output power of up to 1,000 watts peak envelope power (Permissible Output Power Level) from nominated fixed locations.

Here is WIA President VK3KI Michael Owen.

ACMA Publishes Details of Amateur Higher Transmitter Power Trials

The ACMA has published on its website details of the trial of higher power transmitter output for Advanced amateur licensees.

The trial will commence on 1 March 2012 and will continue til 31 August 2013. The ACMA has advised the WIA that the 18 month authorisation is intended to provide the ACMA with time to evaluate the success of the trial after a 12 month period and to consider permanent regulatory arrangements, if warranted, while avoiding dead air between the evaluation time and the implementation of permanent arrangements, ifappropriate

The paper is in the part of the ACMA site dealing with amateur matters and is an information paper.

A brief article also appears on the Engage part of the ACMA website, where anyone can record their comments.

The ACMA will not accept applications for a variation of licence conditions to allow higher power before 1 March 2012.

The WIA hopes to publish some additional material on its website before the end of next week.

The WIA Board, in considering this trial at its meeting on 18/19 February thought it very important to point out to every amateur consideringobtaining a higher power permit that this is a trial, and if problems do emerge, this could affect whether Australian amateurs will continue to be able to use the higher power, if they wish.

In particular, if interference is caused to others, the WIA advises that the amateur must immediately do whatever it takes to stop the interference, and must resolve the problem without resort to the ACMA.

Links to the pages on the ACMA website that I have mentioned can be found in the release dealing with this matter on the WIA website.

http://www.acma.gov.au/WEB/STANDARD/pc=PC_410285

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Getting youth interested by exhibiting in high schools

Students in most schools have never heard of amateur radio.

IARU-Region One Youth Co-ordinator Lisa PA2LS suggests how to raiseawareness of the hobby.

An opportunity to change thinking is to exhibit at a local high school.

Veron did this recently; their goal was to show youth that there is more than only internet and Apps. First they started with making promotion material, like flyers, banners and pens. The committee made the decision what they wanted to show. They choose to show in an active way what the radio amateur hobby is about.

The next step was to ask members of the VERON section to help during the exhibition. It seemed during club meetings that many members wanted to participate and help. Also some younger members, which is nice when you are promoting on a school.

Before the start of the exhibition, which was two days in total, local radio amateurs helped with the preparations. A pump mast was placed at the schoolyard.

Inside there was a stand next to the electrical engineering faculty of the school. There was also a self-build SDR-radio, self-build radio's,
80 meter QRP transmitter and much more.

IARU Region 1
http://www.iaru-r1.org/

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

WRC-12: IARU VICE PRESIDENT OLE GARPESTAD, LA2RR, CHATS WITH ITU

IARU Vice President Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, sat down for a video interviewwith the ITU Press Office at 4U1ITU, the Amateur Radio station at ITUHeadquarters in Geneva.

During the interview, IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, operated CW in the background.

Discussed was Agenda Item 1.23 and what it means to the Amateur RadioService, what the IARU does at the WRC, the future of Amateur Radio, and what the Amateur Radio Service and the IARU are doing for the next WRC.

Watch the video here

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eaxLAem_YMA.

L.A.B.R.E. meets the Minister of Communications and broadcast associations to empower EMC rules in Brazil

The Brazilian national amateur radio society LABRE made two important meetings in Brasilia to discuss administrative affairs and EMC.

LABRE will join a working group to solve some of the problems and write a new national amateur radio rule. LABRE will ask to be a member of GPRI, a permanent radio interference group held by ANATEL to study and expose the interference cases.

IARU (International Amateur Radio Union) and their national organizations like LABRE for long time battle for a healthy spectrum, susteain an useful environment able to fully development the amateur radio service, including low power long distance communications.

One of the most important cases of amateur radio EMC concerns with juridical and technical consequences is related to PLC/PLT/BPL noise.

LABRE was represented on the meetings by the likes of PY5EG, former president of LABRE and PT2ADM, current president.

Fli¿½vio Archangelo, PY2ZX is a journalist recently promoted to press adviser for the Brazilian amateur radio association. Through the following link you can obtain an article and photos covering these important meetings between LABRE and Brazilian government.

http://www.archangelo.net/temp/labre/release-2012-01-ee.htm

(Fli¿½vio py2zx.ham@gmail.com)

New pressure on jammers of international broadcasts

The International Telecommunication Union has called upon the world'snations to take 'necessary actions' to stop intentional interference with satellite transmissions.

The change in ITU regulations, which was approved at the just-concluded World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) in Geneva, Switzerland, came after numerous complaints that international satellite TV programmes in Persian and Arabic were suffering from deliberate interference, known as

"jamming".

Two satellite operators that have been targeted, Eutelsat and Arabsat, said the interfering signals originated from Iran and Syria.

The International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran termed satellite jamming part of a broader effort. "The Iranian government is also engaged in comprehensive attempts to take complete control of online access to the internet as well as restricting mobile voice and data communications," the group said in a statement urging the WRC to address the jamming issue.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

VK4SN New RD Contest Manager

The WIA Board meeting in Melbourne over the weekend of 18/19 February 2012 appointed Alan Shannon VK4SN the new Contest Manager for the WIA Remembrance Day Contest, following the retirement of Peter Harding VK4OD. He will be supported in this role by the Lockyer Valley Radio & Electronics Club Inc.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2012/20120219-3/index.php

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

9H3PP

>From Malta 9H3PP May 26th and 27th during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. Activity outside of the contest will be on 6 and 12 meters, possibly 17meters. qSL via HA5PP.

J88DR

St Vincent in the Caribbean. J88DR will be there until 14 March on the HFbands with emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL to Dave G3TBK.

TA1TC

Albania will be on the air during the CQ WPX SSB Contest. This with wordthat TA1HZ will operate from that nation as ZA1TC for the period of March 23to 26 details and QSL info is on www.qrz.com.

AWARDS

The Eric Jamieson Indian Ocean Awards Announced

The WIA Board, meeting in Melbourne over the weekend of 18/19 February 2012 accepted the offer of Eric Jamieson VK5LP to sponsor awards for the first amateur radio contacts on the two metre band spanning the Indian Ocean between Australia and Africa.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2012/20120219-2/index.php

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

The January issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports on Indonesian pirates in the 10 MHz band.

The newsletters says Indonesian pirates on 10121 and 10145 (USB) in the evening hours.

Indonesian pirates on 7000.0 kHz were audible every evening in Germany in Japan and Australia. They were transmitting in USB and LSB, chatting, singing and laughing.

The International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1 January 2012 newsletter can be read at
http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/news2012/news1201.pdf

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

In my day-to-day environment I meet lots of different people. Many of them are not Amateurs. In fact, most of them are not Amateurs. That's not to say that I cannot see that some of those people could be, and some have Amateur written all over their forehead without ever realising it.

Now it's not for me to tell you to go out and convert people to Amateurs, that's your job - Hi Hi.

What I'd like to look at is, "What is it that brought you into Amateur Radio?" I've said in the past that for me it came as a surprise. I knew two people, one of whom was a "known Amateur" the other not. I'd never talked about Amateur Radio with either of them.

The person who is the "known Amateur" has had their license for many years, as long as I've known them, 20-odd years, likely longer, I've never gotten around to asking. The other "secret Amateur" was the one who is responsible for me becoming aware of this hobby.

It all started pretty innocently, here's a WiFi Quad-Copter, with an Amateur Radio license we might be able to extend its range to something useful. It went in a whirlwind from there.

Since I became an Amateur, I've been fascinated with how people became involved in Amateur Radio. For some of those, the incentive was lost in the history of time. For others it's fresh as the ink on their license.

One Amateur I spoke with talked about how Amateur Radio was their opportunity to first step in a very challenging and rewarding hobby. Bounce signals off the moon, talk to people of all ethnicities, social positions, religions, colours, creeds etc. Join a group of earth people that have few boundaries.

They wistfully added, "Maybe this is just one of the seeds of the 'world race'. "

Your reason for joining Amateur Radio likely looks nothing like any of the ideas or reasons I've just mentioned, perhaps you have a distinct first memory. Perhaps you might consider how you got the Amateur Radio Bug and how that might relate to the people around you. Perhaps you'll find new Amateurs in unexpected places, or find old friends where you never looked before.

I'm Onno, VK6FLAB

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

Radio Amateur Chris Hadfield VA3OOG to command ISS

The BBC reports that astronaut Chris Hadfield, VA3OOG will be the first Canadian to command the International Space Station.

His big moment will begin when he launches to the station on a Soyuz rocket at the end of this year.

For three months, the 52-year-old will serve as a flight engineer in the Expedition 34 crew.

Then, in March 2013, he will assume command of Expedition 35 for threemonths, before returning to Earth in his Soyuz capsule.

Chris also holds the callsign KC5RNJ.

Read the full BBC story at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-17092546

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

New WIA Member Only Features On The WIA Website

The March edition of AR magazine is about to hit your letterbox, when it arrives make sure you save the Mailing Address sheet included inside the plastic wrapper. The details on the address sheet enable you to register for members access on the WIA website. Registering for member access on the website is very easy, all you need to apply for your unique member password are the details from AR mailing address sheet.

The formal registration procedure using the mailing address sheet is necessary so we can correctly verify the identity of each member before assigning an access password. With your members password you will have ongoing secure access to view your membership details and access membersonly features on the website. Without a reliable verification process, then of course anybody could simply call up the WIA office, pretend or claim to be you, and obtain a password to view membership and other personalinformation.

Belgium Amateurs embrace social media

The Board of Directors of the national amateur radio society of Belgium, the UBA, has taken the plunge to embrace social media.

The UBA says that social media is becoming an indispensable tool in the toolbox of any organization that wants to communicate with its targetgroups, namely the members and those interested in our hobby.

You can now find the UBA at

Facebook http://www.facebook.com/pages/UBA/206146739474007

Twitter http://twitter.com/UBA_BEL

YouTube http://www.youtube.com/user/UBAhamradio

Website http://tinyurl.com/BelgiumUBA

(southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- MILITARY

WWII radar station RAF Dunkirk sold at auction

Several bidders were interested in the disused WWII radar station. A former Kent radar station which was used to help defend Britain during World War II has been sold at auction.

RAF Dunkirk, near Faversham, was built after 1937 to provide long rangeearly warning for the Thames Estuary and the south eastern approaches to London.

The station is spread over 26 acres and is a listed Scheduled Monument.

The site, which includes a transmitter block, pillboxes, a radar tower base and an underground transmitter room, sold for ï¿½158,000.

(bbc)

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ROAR
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0730z - 0830z International net 14.293

Rotarians Of Amateur Radio's worldwide president serves a 3 yr stint.

In July this year it will be Australia's turn.

VK4ZD, Bill will be taking on that role for the coming 3 years.

Each year Rotary International has an International Rotary Convention held in a different part of the world. In 2015 it will be held in Sydney. Plans are already under way to have a special event Ham Radio station active at the convention.

REWIND

The Voice of America, which sent its original broadcast overseas 70 yearsago this month, will see backers of its first-built transmitting station at Bethany begin fundraising this year to make it a national museum.

The impact of the local transmitting station was felt in 1944 when the building and its six 200-kilowatt transmitters were completed about a year after groundbreaking.

The station was instantly able to broadcast news to Europe, Africa and South America.

"What happened here is something that I suppose only a few of us in the community understand or realize the significance of," National VOA Museum of Broadcasting board president Ken Riser said. "None of this had been done before. They couldn't just pull things off a shelf. They had to actually design, build and construct it all from scratch.

"These were things that were probably equivalent of going to the moon in the '60s."

The old VOA Bethany Relay Station is undergoing approximately $500,000 worth of exterior restoration work that includes installation of a new roof and block maintenance on the rear of the building.

Read Adam Kiefaber's Enquirer story (with pictures) on the National VOA Museum of Broadcasting's plans for 2012 web site

http://cin.ci/wClmdq

World Radio Conference Geneva until 17th February

FEB 26 VK2 CCARC WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

211. eHam.net News, Updated on Sat Feb 25 2012 at 23:11 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-26 00:13:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d7fc445a004b9d1fe73@google.com>
Source record: 3578
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Town Seeks Amateur Radio Users for Emergencies:

Posted: 24 Feb 2012 04:28 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27787

Arlington officials are seeking amateur radio operators willing to help the town with emergency response. In a statement, officials said they're looking for licensed ham radio operators to become volunteers and help out in case the town's communications systems stop working during an emergency. Fire Chief Robert Jefferson told the Boston Globe it would take an "extreme scenario" for the town to resort to using amateur radio. "You never know," Jefferson told the Globe.

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Solar Superstorm Could Be On the Way:

Posted: 24 Feb 2012 04:27 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27786

I USUALLY try to vary my topic from month to month but my February reflection on the aurora brought in a couple of intriguing queries from readers. One was about "the Carrington Event" and what effect, if any, the recurrence of such a phenomenon would have on the modern world. The other was sparked by a US newspaper headline from last year proclaiming, in very large letters, "NASA warning of solar superstorm in 2012". The two are closely related in that the Carrington Event, named after the British astronomer who made scientific observations of it, was arguably the greatest solar outburst of recent history. The flare, a great mass of hot plasma unleashed by a giant sunspot on August 28, 1959, caused an extraordinary display of auroral activity which was visible not just in the high latitudes but as far south as the Gulf of Mexico in the Americas and over Mediterranean areas in the old world. As well as providing our forebears with an incredible light show for several days - brighter than moonlight across much of the surface of the Earth, and much more colourful - the flare and its associated coronal mass emission imparted so much energy to the Earth's magnetic field that very strange things started happening to what was then a state-of-the -art communication system - the telegraph. The system failed across great swathes of Europe and America with telegraph poles all over the place, and the paper used to record the Morse imprints at the most sophisticated transmission stations, being set on fire. And the machines kept on churning out nonsensical signals despite being disconnected from their power sources. COULD something like this

happen again? The answer has to be yes, given that we owe our lives to being right next door to a turbulent star, the workings of which we do not fully understand and which we have only just begun to observe systematically.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #08 de K7RA:

Posted: 24 Feb 2012 09:41 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27785

We don't know if this is a significant trend, but solar activity has really leveled off recently. Not everyone is unhappy about this. During the recent long minimum, 160 and 80 meter operators sang the praises of great conditions.

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DARC Short Term Award 35R24:

Posted: 24 Feb 2012 09:42 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27783

The DARC chapter R24 offers a free electronic short term award for contacts with its members during 2012.

212. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 26 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-26 11:13:14 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d54e9640e04b9dc1231@google.com>
Source record: 3579
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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St Paul Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7O0Lx0MMqqo/st_paul_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Progress continues at a fast rate of knots. It’s clear to see, with clubs and organisations joining our project, that demand for this DXCC entity is significantly higher than many operators perhaps realise

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Eric Jamieson Indian Ocean Awards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hatYdS5HZeI/eric_jamieson_indian_ocean_awards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Wireless Institute of Australia Board, meeting in Melbourne over the weekend of 18-19 February 2012, accepted the offer of Eric Jamieson, VK5LP, to sponsor awards for first amateur radio contacts on the two metre (144 MHz) band spanning the Indian Ocean between Australia and Africa

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Kids can discover amateur radio at the Surrey Museum

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x2XEwRyiBbM/kids_can_discover_amateur_radio_at_the_surrey_museum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Surrey Leader reports on an amateur radio emergency communications workshop for kids to be held in March

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R3AODnEepjM/february_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is expected to be at low levels

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Dominican Republic

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JNvyOlAFYow/dominican_republic.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Five operators plan to be active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest as HI3K (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single entry from Lomas del Toro in Santiago

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The SARL Council meets at NARC

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B0FLE7GH6vE/sarl_council_meets_at_narc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League (SARL) Council met this weekend at the National Amateur Radio Centre for its annual strategy indaba to review plans for the coming year

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ARISS school events now number over 700

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q-jlff0iP78/ariss_school_events_now_number_over_700.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARISS Operation Team Mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N reports that the total number of ARISS ISS-to-Earth school events is now at 701

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Sheffield Amateur Radio Club and National Science Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6Tm0ginZagE/sheffield_amateur_radio_club_and_national_science_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Saturday 10th March 2012, Sheffield Amateur Radio Club will be at the Norfolk Community Primary School and will literally put the school on the air for the day. They will use their club callsign GX3RCM

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ACMA publishes details of higher transmitter power trials

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wws_eD1wSoU/acma_publishes_details_of_higher_transmitter_power_trials.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

From 1 March 2012, Australia's ACMA will accept applications from amateur radio advanced licensees to use transmitter output power of up to 1,000 watts peak envelope power (Permissible Output Power Level) from nominated fixed locations

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Amateur radio centre-stage in City of Light celebrations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Y4j8yZH75P0/amateur_radio_centre_stage_

in_city_of_light_celebrations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

50 Years of anticipation all worked out on the day we celebrated John Glenn's orbit in Friendship 7 in Perth last Monday

213. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News, Updated on Sun Feb 26 2012 at 17:05 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-26 17:34:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301b66f156e56c04b9e101b8@google.com>
Source record: 3580
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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RFinder for Apple iPhone/iPad/iPod impending release!!!

Posted: 24 Feb 2012 01:59 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335167-RFinder-for-Apple-iPhone-iPad-iPod-impending-release!!!&goto=newpost

For immediate release

From the shack of W2CYK

2/22/2012

By popular demand, we are pleased to announce the impending release of RFinder - The Worldwide Repeater Directory (WWRD) for iOS! We hope to have the iPod/iPhone/iPad version in the App Store by March 7th!

RFinder already runs on the Android platform, open source via CHIRP on Windows/Linux/Mac and of course, the world wide web. We are working diligently with RTSystems to incorporate the Worldwide Repeater Directory (WWRD) into their suite of radio programming software. We have opened up the directory so anyone with a Windows application can request our API toolkit to incorporate the WWRD into their applications.

Your annual subscription to the WWRD works on all platforms. Just use the same user/password combination on any WWRD enabled application and you are ready to go!

Some recent enhancements:

Callsign lookup, improved data for Italy, France and Israel

Look in future releases of iOS and Android:

DStar! We have improved the back end to support this and are working to automatically syncronize DStar data.

Satellite data with footprint visualizations!

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214. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 26th February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-26 21:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120226210003.0558133C5F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3581
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 26th February 2012

EI80IRTS Special Callsign

As we celebrate our 80th Anniversary, a special callsign EI80IRTS is now on the air. IRTS members and affiliated clubs are invited to take part in the celebrations. If you or your club would like to activate EI80IRTS, you can contact Co-ordinators Ger McNamara EI4GXB at ei4gxb/at/ gmail.com or 087 2532512 or Thos Caffrey EI2JD at thoscaffrey /at /hotmail.com for details.

A very attractive certificate for working EI80IRTS is sponsored by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, and details can be seen athttp://www.ei7dar.com/ei80irts.html

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IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

Tickets for the AGM dinner on Saturday April 21st are selling fast. The event this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, www.ei7dar.com. Dinner tickets are just 32, this is a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. As dinner tickets and rooms are distributed on a first come first served basis, you are encouraged and advised to act now to avoid disappointment. The annual rally, on Sunday April 22nd, will also have its favourites and many new and novel exhibitors. This is a must attend event in the 80th Anniversary year of your national society, www.irts.ie.

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos, EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. The Fairways Hotel can be contacted on 042 9321500 or www.fairways.ie.

IRTS Request for Return of Trophies

It is time once again to recall all trophies presented at the 2011 IRTS, AGM in Limerick.

Trophies and Cups can be returned to any IRTS Committee Member before end of February 2012.

This will allow for engraving to be done and allow for repairs if necessary.

Early return will be appreciated. Peter EI4HX at ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/net

Nominations For Awards for IRTS Trophies.

The time is here again for nominations for the several awards for IRTS Trophies that are required from within the membership, this includes the awards for, 1. Service to the Society or to Amateur Radio. Awards in this category can be to members or non-members.

2 Awards for other achievements.

Awards in this category [2] include the 4 and 6 Meter Shields, the SWL Award, and the awards for Quality Construction Projects. These are confined to members only.

When considering your nominations, please refer to previous successful winners as included in www.irts.ie/cgi/awards.cgi

Nominations may be from Clubs or Individuals, must be by post or e-mail, and can be forwarded to the Awards Committee Members, Pat EI2HX and Jim EI4HH, or to Peter Grant EI4HX, Chair of Awards Committee, QTHR, or by e-mail to ei4hxperimental /at/ eircom /dot/ net

Closing date for nominations is 29th February 2012.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place on Monday 27 February at 8:00 p.m. in the Roanmore GAA Club, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. Members are asked to attend and as always, visitors are welcome.

Please note that membership renewals for 2012 are now due. Membership costs 30 Euro and is available at a reduced rate of 20 Euro for pensioners, students and the unemployed. Please pass your payment on to any committee member or you can renew at the AGM on 27 February. Those who paid in November or December are fully paid up for 2012.

For information about the group, visit www.searg.com and you can also follow SEARG on Facebook and Twitter.

Limerick Radio Club

Rally: Limerick Radio Club rally will be held on Sunday March 11th 2012 at the Radisson Blue Hotel on the Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11am and all the usual traders will attend. Bring and Buy tables can be ordered from Dermot Gleeson EI2GT.

North Cork Radio Club

North Cork Radio Group will be activating Blackrock Castle as part of CASHOTA on the 4th March next 2 - 5pm as EI1NC/P. The Castle's reference is EI009/C. We plan to have a digi station in operation as well as possible satellite contact on the day. If you happen to be in the area, are interested in the hobby, or would like to come and visit us, we would be happy to see you. For those of you that are CASHOTA chasers, we look forward to hearing you on the air!

North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive. As you may know, Marconi Day is on 21st April this year and we will be operating over the full 24 hour period on this day in order that collectors of the Marconi Award will have the opportunity to add us to their list. Mizen Head is a beautiful location and well worth a visit.

Craggy Island DXpedition Group

We are delighted to announce that the Craggy Island Dxpedition Group has received its new callsign EI0TED which of course will be EJ0TED when operating from offshore Islands. Special thanks to Mr DerekO'Reilly in ComReg for putting our application through and keeping in touch about the progress.

It just remains for us to put together or plan of action for the forthcoming year and hopefully the weather will be with us. Much of the equipment has now been procured for the Island operations but the group is still waiting on a lighteight beam and a small Honda generator to complete the list. If there are more than two operations the Galway VHF Group Callsign,EI4ALE, will also be in use. These operations will contribute towards the WAI award scheme and also the WAI Islands award. The IOTA contest is certainly on the cards this year.

Our plans will be announced through the IRTS News Services and also on the Galway VHF Group news blog at www.galwayvhfgroup.com and we look forward to working as many as possible during our activations.

Talk on Amateur Television

As Part of Engineers Week members of South Dublin Radio Club will be giving a talk on Amateur Television on Thursday 1st of March. Rather than taking place where the club normally meets this will take place as part of a range of talks on Technology and will be held in Dublin city centre. More details are on the venues website: http://www.tog.ie

Every Tuesday the club will continue to demonstrate the new television repeater as part of the normal weekly meetings.

DX News

Bob N7MSU will be QRV again from Belize from 26 February until 15 March. He will use the callsign V31SU. Look for him on all bands 40 - 10m. QSLs go via his home call.

Alan G4XAQ will activate C56XA from the Gambia from 27 February until 15 March. Another station from the Gambia this week will be Luc F5RAV using the callsign C5LT. He will be there until 2 March.

Brian K1LI will sign J7Y from the Caribbean island of Dominica from now until 13 March. QSL info is via his home call.

The well known DXer Nigel G3TXF, who has recently returned from the Pitcairn Islands where he was one of the operators at VP6T, is on his travels again. This time his destination is St Helena in the southern Atlantic where he will sign ZD7XF. Dates are 29 February until 13 March with QSLs going via the home call.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

215. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1051

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 19th-February, through Sunday, 26th-February there were 232 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3C, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL8, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2012 DXU (Update/Press Release #3). Roger/G3SXW and Wayne/N7NG provided the following [edited]: "Dated February 22nd, 2012 - DX University® will take place at the Holiday Inn, Visalia, California, on Friday, 20th April,

2012. This major event is a first and has attracted a high-calibre of
speakers for the all-day program.
Places are limited but there are still a few seats available. Reser-
vations can be made at: http://www.dxuniversity.com/ As a bonus we will
give away several hundred dollars of door prizes on the day!
Rooms are still available at the Holiday Inn for Thursday night,
19th April. See: http://www.holidayinn.com
Contact Wayne <n7ng@bresnan.net> or Roger <g3sxw@btinternet.com>
with any queries. Principal Sponsor - ELECRAFT"

3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND (Delayed!). Operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM
continue to be active as 3C6A from Bioko Island (AF-010) which was expected
to last until February 26th. However, details on their Web page state on
Saturday, February 25th: "The two operators are now in Equatorial Guinea
(3C6A) and they are having problems in their journey to the island of
Annobon, so this will be delayed until Friday (March 2nd). They will
continue doing everything possible to give the entity to the largest
number of hams, but remember that they are only two persons." Their
planned activity as 3C0E from Annobon Island (AF-039; Pagalu) was to
last until March 11th, but there are no other details whether or not
to extend this operation. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB
and RTTY. See OPDX.1047 for suggested frequencies. QSL 3C0E (as well
as 3C6A) via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernab&#65533; Coll, P.O.Box 3097, 03080 Alicante,
Spain. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at:
http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

3W, VIETNAM. Wayne, K6ZSJ, and his wife will change their QTH every 6
months from California to Nha Trang City. Currently, they are in Vietnam
and Wayne has been active as 3W7W since December. He states, "I'll be QRV
almost every day while here, so if we don't QSO today I'll be back soon
for another try, hi. Most frequently, 3W7W will be around 14200 kHz or
the low end of 40 meters CW." Wayne built a house right next to the South
China Sea with a radio room on the top floor and plans to mount a tower
or mast for his A3S tribander and 40m vertical to his 3rd floor deck.
QSL only via W3HNK direct or by LoTW.

6H, MEXICO (Special Event). Members of the Grupo DXXE will activate the
special event callsign 6H6IARU between April 13-18th. Operations will be
on all bands between 160-6 meters, as well as the amateur radio satellites
from different Grid Locators throughout Mexico. Activity is to celebrate
the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio
Union (IARU), and to celebrate "World Amateur Radio Day" on April 18th.
This year's theme for the "World Amateur Radio Day" is Amateur Radio
Satellites: "Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launching
of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961, and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.
QSOs with this station are valid for the IARU Region 2 award, the various
FMRE awards and the DXXE award <www.dxxe.org>. QSL via N7RO or LoTW.

60 METERS NEWS (Recommended Practices). With new privileges on the
60 meter band beginning March 5th, the ARRL announced this past week
"Recommended Practices" which were based on survey results and

subsequent research. The committee declined to propose a specific band plan for 60 meters at this time, but instead created a "Recommended Practices" document now available at:
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Regulatory/Recommended_Practices_for_60_Meters%20-%20Version%206_4.pdf
Also, look for the April issue of QST magazine tp include an article by ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, that will offer a detailed discussions of the new 60 meter privileges and recommended operating practices.

6V, SENEGAL. Operators Mike/RA9FW and Igor/UA9CDC will be active as 6V7Z from "Le Calao Resort" between March 16-28th. Their activities will include the Russian DX Contest (March 17-18th) and the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via RA9FW, direct or by the Bureau.

7P8, LESOTHO (Update). Donovan, ZS2DL, has finalized his team of operators, but has changed the dates for his DXpedition to Lesotho. Due to the "Roof of Africa Rally" (see <http://www.roofofafrica.org.ls>) taking place and all accomodations being taken for their original dates (November 9-19th), the dates have been changed to arriving in Lesotho on November 21st, and leaving December 4th. Operations will possibly take place between November 22nd and December 3rd. Naturally this means they will be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). The callsign will 7P8D. Operators mentioned are Donovan/ZS2DL (CW), Andrew/V51YJ (CW), Mitko/LZ1UQ (CW), Jo/DJ3CQ (CW), Chris/DL2MDU (CW/RTTY), Rhy/ZS1TT (SSB/RTTY), Frosty/K5LBU, Mitch/ZS2DK (SSB/RTTY) and Roger/ZS6RJ (CW/RTTY). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with a minimum of three stations (possibly 5 stations) on the air 24/7. Suggested CW frequencies (listening up) are: 3504, 7024, 10103, 14020, 18078, 21020, 24900 and 28020 kHz. QSL direct via: LESOTHO DXPEDITION 2012, P.O. Box 29169, Sunridge Park, 6008, SOUTH AFRICA (w/2 USDs - Please no IRC as it is difficult to convert at the post office). A OQRS system (PayPal) will also be implemented just before the expedition. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within 12 months after the DXpedition has ended. For more details, visit:
http://www.zs2dl.co.za/7P8D.html

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will be active as 8P5A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to NN1N.

9G, GHANA. Look for 9G1AA to be active again from the Dormaa Hospital in Dormaa-Ahenkro between February 28th and about March 16th. A few different sources are reporting that Rob/PA3DEW and Vincent/PA3FQX are the operators. Activity is usually and mainly on 20 and 15 meters SSB. QSL via PA3ERA, direct or by the Bureau. Hopefully, more details will be forthcoming. To see past activities from 9G1AA, go to the "Dutch Amateurs Going On Expedition" (DAGOE) Web page at:
http://www.dagoe.com/9g1aa2.htm

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA. Takeshi "TAKE", JI3DST, will be active as 9M2/JI3DST (He states, "Now not fixed callsign.") from West Malaysia between 0000z,

March 10th and 0900z, March 11th. Activity will be on 80/75/40/30/20/17/
15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB and FM (no RTTY/PSK). Take states that
in case of heavy rain or other conditions, the operation's condition
may vary. QSL 9M2/JI3DST via JI3DST.

9M8, EAST MALAYSIA. Steve, 9M6DXX, informs OPDX that he will be active
as 9M8Z from Sarawak (OC-088) once again between March 23-28th. Activity
will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/
All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL Manager is M0URX. QSL direct (w/SAE plus
IRC or 2 USDs), by the Bureau, or LoTW. Direct or Bureau QSLs may also
be requested using the M0URX Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) at:
http://m0urx.com/oqrs

C5, THE GAMBIA. Willy, ON4AVT, will be active as C5AVT from near Banjul
between February 28th and March 20th. Activity will be QRP and mostly
on 15 meters PSK31 using a FT-817 and a Buddipole. QSL via his home
callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

C6, BAHAMAS. Steve, W2ML, will be active as C6A/W2ML from Nassau (NA-001)
between February 27th and March 5th. He is there on vacation and to be
in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th). Activity will be on all bands
using CW, SSB and PSK-31. QSL via the W2 Bureau or direct to his home
callsign.

CENTRAL AMERICAN TOUR. Andrei, NC2N (ex-NP3D), will be active as TG7/NC2N
from Guatemala between March 3-8th, and as HR5/NC2N from Honduras between
March 9-12th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW,
RTTY and SSB. He also plans to be active while in Guatemala during the
ARRL SSB DX Contest (March 4-5th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. Logs
will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible. Direct QSLs can be obtained
via W3HNK or RW6HS. Andrei will try to complete his 3rd Triple Play Award
from TG-land.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (Update to OPDX.1049). The callsign, dates and Web
pages have now been announced for the upcoming operation. Look for the
CY9M DXpedition to St. Paul Island (NA-094) to take place between July
26th and August 1st. The following media pages have been also announced:
Website: http://www.cy9m.com/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/#!/CY9M
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/CY9M.2012
The 10 member team is looking for club/organization sponsors and individual
donors for this DXpedition. For details, please see the Web page.

DXCC NEWS (M-V Island Deleted!). Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch
Manager, reported on February 23rd: "According to the Finnish Ministry
of Transportation and Communication, the Saimaa Canal Treaty between
Finland and Russia has been finalized by relevant Finnish and Russian
authorities through ratification.
The Treaty has entered into effect with a date of February 17, 2012.
Malyj Vysotskij Island (MVI), R1M, is no longer included in the Treaty.
Thus, MVI will be deleted from the DXCC list as of February 17, 2012,
and added to the Deleted Entities List.

Administratively at HQ, we will not make the necessary changes to the DXCC system until after the final data processing for 2011 is complete -- this includes the tables shown in Logbook of The World. (The 2011 DXCC Annual and Honor Roll listings will contain M-V Island as it stood in 2011, a current entity). This change will affect the Honor Roll numbers as follows:
#1 Honor roll will drop to 340 (down from 341)
The entry level Honor Roll number will drop to 331 (down from 332)

DXCC members will see their current entity totals drop by one on their Mixed awards, and on the bands and modes where MVI credit is given. They will also see their DXCC Challenge totals drop commensurately."

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Look for the E51M DXpedition that is going to North Cook Islands to also be active as E51EWP (not E51MCW as announced last week) from Rarotonga, South Cook Islands, between March 23-26th, and again between April 11-14th, before and after their operation on Manihiki (see OPDX.1044). Activity will be on all bands, including 60m, using CW, SSB, but with an emphasis on RTTY because there is a high demand for RTTY. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or by the Bureau. Online QSL Requests Service (OQRS) for the Bureau and direct cards can be made after April 20th. For more details, see the E51M Web page at: http://www.manihiki2012.de

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-118. Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (9K2RA) will once again activate 9K2F from Failaka Island between March 7-12th. QSL via 9K2HN. For updates, visit the KARS's Web page at: http://9k2ra.net

AS-175. NEW IOTA! Look for an Indian team to be active using the special callsign ATBDW (callsign is correct) from Bet Dwarka Island (Bet Shankhodar) between March 15-31st. This island is in the Gujerat State West IOTA Group and has never been activated before. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are Sarla/VU2SWS (Group Leader), Milind/VU2IZO, Nand/VU2NKS, Deepak/VU2CDP, Basappa/VU2NXM, Laxman/VU2LX and Lion/VU2JHM. More details and a Web page are forthcoming.

J7, DOMINICA. Simon, G7SOZ, will be active as J79SZ from Dominica (NA-101) between March 7-15th. Activity will be mainly CW with some SSB, and he does plan to be an entry in the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (March 10-11th). QSL via G7SOZ, direct or by the Bureau. He does use the LoTW. For more details, visit: http://www.g7soz.net

KH6, HAWAII. Operators Tommy/VK2IR and Peter/VK2NN will be active as KH6/homecall from Hawaii between September 22nd and October 6th. This will be a holiday style DXpedition with the family, and they plan to operate 40-10 meters. They also hope to meet some of the local hams in the area. QSL via VK2IR.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (February 27th-March 4th)....
Feb/27th AN Mar/01st AN Mar/03rd AN
Feb/28th AN Mar/02nd AN Mar/04th AN
Feb/29th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during
the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/
Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see:
http://www.n2tta.info

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Mauri, AG1LE, will be active as KP2/AG1LE
from the Radio Reef Contest Station (KP2M), St. Croix, U.S. Virgin
Island (NA-106) between April 4-11th. Look for updates on Mauri's
Blog page at: http://ag1le.blogspot.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated February 19th and 26th)

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4X/UT5UDX via UT2UB EG7DCA via EA7URS TC8A via TA2FE
5B/RN3QQ via RN3QQ EI0PL via EI5JQ TG9/K9NW via K9NW
6Y2T via VE3DZ FS/K4UP via W4LW TI2/F6FQX via F6FQX
9K51NLD via 9K2RA HB0/DJ1AA via DJ1AA TI5/JT1CO via JT1CO
AO1POL via EA1GHT II1MNA via I1UP TM210VH via F4GFE
BV20HQ via BM2JCC II2ANT via I2JJR TM55M via F0ESV
CE2/YV5IAL via YV5IAL II3ANT via IZ3DBA TM57M via F-11734 (**)
CR2A via OH2BH IO5ANT via IW5EFX TM6M via F4DXW
CR3L via DJ6QT IR0ANT via IZ0EGC V25AA via AA9A
CU5AQ via EA5KB J8/JA7SGV via JA7SGV V31SG via K0UU
CW3R via CX1AA JW/LZ2HM via LZ2HM VK7/OZ7BQ via OZ7BQ
CW5W via CX6VM (direct) K4K via K4MZU VP5/K7AR via K7AR
CX/LU1JHF via LU1JHF LN8W via LA9VDA VP5/NE7D via NE7D
CX/LU7JMS via LU7JMS LT5X via WD9EWK VP5/W7YAQ via W7YAQ
DM50UEA via DL3BUA LZ1401SET via LZ1KCP YI1RZ via IK2DUW
DR7B via DL2AGB OA4/DL1NL via DL1NL YM7KA via TA7KA
ED5M via EA5FL OS0S via ON4ZD (LoTW) YP2GEO via YO2KAR
EF8USA via EA8AY PJ4/NK1Z via NK1Z YQ8ANT via YO8AZQ
EG1EDB via EA1HNP PJ4/W1MD via W1MD ZD8XF via G3TXF
EG1SPA via EA1GIB PP3C via PP3C ZF2AM via K6AM
EG2MDZ via EG2MCK PS2T via K3IRV ZW7REF via PR7ZAJ

EG5JMA via EA5URR TA1/LZ2MEN via TA1AT

** (Bureau, Direct or eQSL)

NEW QSL MANAGER. Mike, W2GR, informs the Ham community that he is now the QSL Manager of the following callsigns: EA8AY, EF8USA, EF8X and EE8X. QSL to W2GR via CBA direct only.

Barry, W2UP, informs OPDX that he recently returned from operating as PJ2/W2UP, Feb 14-21st. He has already uploaded his log to LoTW. Paper QSLs are available, direct only (no bureau cards) to his home address with SASE or SAE+IRC/greenstamp.

PR2I LOGS AND PICTURES. Fred, IK7JWX, reports that the logs and pictures are now online for the 2012 PR2I Italian/Brazilian DXpeditions to IOTA SA-024 and SA-071 at: http://www.i8lwl.it
QSLs are via direct with SASE (see PR2I at QRZ.com for info). QSLs by the Bureau are accepted via E-mail request at: ik7jwx2003@yahoo.it

PIRATE ALERT. YI1IRQ is not an active callsign. Any use of this callsign is a PIRATE. Any QSL sent to YI1IRQ will be returned unanswered.

PIRATE ALERT. Johan, ZS1A, reports: "ZD9GI went QRT on 15/9/11. There is a pirate operating now with that call. Please note info on QRZ.com <http://qrz.com/> and please do not send QSL card if after that date." Also, John, ZS1LF/ZD9GI, reports [edited]: "I don't operate CW, but I see there has been a Pirate using the ZD9GI callsign, and he was busy on 40m. The ZD9GI Gough Island (WAP ZAF-05) is no longer operational as I am QRT as of the 15th, September 2011. Any new contacts will be a pirate operating and QSL cards will not be honored. I have updated my QRZ page as well putting the alert on it. It was ON5NT, that warned me about the pirate. Actually, there are no Hams on Gough Island at this time; it will take a few years for one to go down again."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3G200DI, 4U1WRC, 9J2RI, A41OO, BA7IO, D2QV, E51BKV, EI2JD, F5IDJ, F5PSG, FK/F4BKV, HR5/NQ5W, HU2DX, JA6TMU, KH6/AA4V, LA5VSA, LZ1BJ, NH2T, OE3TAC, OL7M, P33W, PH9HB, PJ2/WI9WI, S51B, S51DX, S53M, SP7XK, ST2AR, T32AU, T6JP, UA0IT, V31YN, V44KAI, VK3BM, VK4MIA, WH6S, YS3CW, Z37M and ZM4M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4S7KM, 5R8UI, 5W0OJ, 7X4AN, 7Z7AA, 8P9MS, 9H5BZ, 9M2/KM9D, A31A, BY1RX/4, C5A, DS3HWS, E21EJC, EA8/IK7PMR, E44PM, FO5RH, H40KJ, HV5PUL, J8/N2IEN, JD1BMH, KP4MS, LX75RL, N6HD/TG7, OA4/DJ2VO, OE3GEA/6Y5, OJ0X, OY1CT, PJ2/W6XK, PJ5/DL7VOG, PJ7/IK1PMR, T32C, T88NU, TF/IK7PMR, TM10E, TU2T, TX3T, TX5A, TX7M, UA0IT, UK/UA1ZEY, V63QQ, V85SS, VK9NN, VP2EMR, XF1C and ZK2A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5R8GZ, AH6RE, BA5DX, DL4JS/6W, PJ6A and VK9X/G6AY

TC50, TURKEY (Special Event). Look for special callsigns (TC50TRAC/***) listed below to be active throughout 2012 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the "Telsiz ve Radyo Amat&#65533;rleri Cemiyeti" (TRAC). A special three tier

award program (Bronze, Silver, Gold) is available for contacting these
TRAC Branch stations and members of the TRAC (signing homecall/50) between
February 1st and December 31st, 2012. Complete details of the awards are
available on QRZ.com under TC50TRAC. Look for the following regional
TC50TRAC stations to be active during the following times:
Region/Branch Callsign Scheduled Region/Branch Callsign
Scheduled
Offices to be used Activity Offices to be used
Activity
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Region - 1 Region - 6
ISTANBUL TC50TRAC/34I Feb-Mar ÇANKIRI TC50TRAC/18C
Aug-Sept
TEKIRDAG TC50TRAC/59 Feb-Mar ÇORUM TC50TRAC/19
Aug-Sept
KASTAMONU TC50TRAC/37
Aug-Sept
Region - 2 SAMSUN TC50TRAC/55
Aug-Sept
ANKARA TC50TRAC/06 Feb-Mar
BOLU TC50TRAC/14 Feb-Mar Region - 7
BOZÜYÜK TC50TRAC/11 Feb-Mar DEVELI TC50TRAC/38D
Aug-Sept
GÖLCÜK TC50TRAC/41G Feb-Mar ERZINCAN TC50TRAC/24
Aug-Sept
ESKISEHIR TC50TRAC/26 Feb-Mar GIRESUN TC50TRAC/28G
Aug-Sept
KADIKÖY TC50TRAC/34K Feb-Mar KAYSERI TC50TRAC/38K
Aug-Sept
KARABÜK TC50TRAC/78 Feb-Mar ORDU TC50TRAC/52
Aug-Sept
KDZ.EREGLI TC50TRAC/67E Feb-Mar TORUL TC50TRAC/29T
Aug-Sept
KOCAELI TC50TRAC/41K Feb-Mar TRABZON TC50TRAC/61
Aug-Sept
SAKARYA TC50TRAC/54 Feb-Mar
ZONGULDAK TC50TRAC/67Z Feb-Mar Region - 8
DIYARBAKIR TC50TRAC/21 Oct-Nov
Region - 3 GAZIANTEP TC50TRAC/27 Oct-Nov
BALIKESIR TC50TRAC/10B Apr-May K.MARAS TC50TRAC/46 Oct-Nov
BURSA TC50TRAC Apr-May MALATYA TC50TRAC/44 Oct-Nov
IZMIR TC50TRAC/35I Apr-May
KONAK TC5OTRAC/35K Apr-May Region - 9
MANISA TC50TRAC/45 Apr-May ARTVIN TC50TRAC/08 Oct-Nov
M.KEMALPASA TC50TRAC/16M Apr-May ERZURUM TC50TRAC/25 Oct-Nov
KARS TC50TRAC/36 Oct-Nov
Region - 4 RIZE TC50TRAC/53 Oct-Nov
ANTALYA TC50TRAC/07 Apr-May

BUCAK TC50TRAC/15B Apr-May Region - 0
DENIZLI TC50TRAC/20 Apr-May BOZCADA (I.) TC50TRAC/17B Jun-Jul
DINAR TC50TRAC/03D Apr-May G�K�EADA (I.) TC50TRAC/17G
Jun-Jul
ISPARTA TC50TRAC/32 Apr-May KEFKEN ADASI(I.)TC50TRAC/41KF Jun-Jul
K�TAHYA TC50TRAC/43 Apr-May GIRESUN ADASI(I.)TC50TRAC/28GR
Jun-Jul
USAK TC50TRAC/64 Apr-May
OTHER BRANCHES
Region - 5 ELDIVAN TC50TRAC/18E
Aug-Sept
ADANA TC50TRAC/01A Jun-Jul MERSIN TC50TRAC/33 Jun-Jul
AKSARAY TC50TRAC/68 Jun-Jul KOZAN TC50TRAC/01K Jun-Jul
HATAY TC50TRAC/31 Jun-Jul EDIRNE TC50TRAC/22 Feb-Mar
KADIRLI TC50TRAC/80K Jun-Jul URFA TC50TRAC/63 Oct-Nov
KONYA TC50TRAC/42 Jun-Jul
OSMANIYE TC50TRAC/80O Jun-Jul

TO11, GUADELOUPE. Gildas, F6HMQ, (along with Michel, F6GWV) will once again be active from Guadeloupe (NA-102) using the special callsign, TO11A, between March 2-16th. They plan to be active in the upcoming ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Op entry. Outside the contest, look for activity on 6 meters. QSL via F6HMQ.

TP8, FRANCE. The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE) will be active as TP8CE between March 9-11th. Activity is to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the European Youth Center. Operations are usually on all HF bands and modes, and possibly the satellites. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://ewwa.free.fr

V5, NAMIBIA (Update). Operators David/GI4FUM and XYL Gillian/GI8MIV, along with Richard/GI4DOH, Kalle/DM3BJ and Andre/V51B will be active from Oranjemund for the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Op entry. Callsign has not been announced yet. The week before the contest operators will be active on the HF bands using CW, RTTY and PSK31. Skeds may be requested via <GI4FUM@arrl.net>. QSLs for this operation should go via David, GI4FUM (QTHR).

XT, BURKINA FASO. A group of Japanese operators will be active from Ouagadougou between March 21-28th. Operators mentioned are Yukinori/ JA3VWT (XT2VWT), Kitai/JA3IVU (XT2IVU), Junichi/JH3AEF (XT2AEF), Shusuke/ JO3VVO (XT2VVO) and possibly other JA operators. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Their was some indication that the XT2CEFIG club station may also be activated.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. It was announced this past week that the Republic of South Sudan was issued/allocated the prefix block Z8A-Z8Z by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). A complete list of all the prefixes are available at: http://www.itu.int/online/mms/glad/cga_callsign.sh?langen

ZD7, ST. HELENA. Nigel, G3TXF, who was active as ZD8XF from Ascension Island (AF-003) this past week, will be active as ZD7XF from St. Helena (AF-022) between February 29th and March 13th. Activity will be mainly focused on 160 and 80 meters CW, with an entry in the RSGB's Commonwealth Contest [BERU] (March 10-11th). QSLs via G3TXF. For more info and updates, go to: http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/ZD8-ZD7-Feb-12/ZD8-ZD7.html

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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216. eHam.net News for Sunday 26 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-26 23:39:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a93bf5a2204b9e68045@google.com>
Source record: 3583
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Kids can Discover Amateur Radio at the Surrey Museum:

Posted: 25 Feb 2012 04:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27789

Hurricanes, fires, floods, and earthquakes happen, but you can count on amateur (or ham) radio to provide vital links to agencies and city services such as fire, police and ambulance. On Tuesday, March 20 from 2-4 p.m., join the Surrey Museum and the Surrey Emergency Program Amateur Radio Society (SEPAR) in an amateur radio emergency communications workshop for kids. The workshop will focus on how amateur radio provides communities with emergency communications when commercial systems are not operational. The workshop will provide kids with a hands-on experience of how amateur radio systems work and the technology used. (For ages nine and over. Admission is free. Space is limited so please pre-register by calling 604-592-6956. Held at the Surrey Museum, 17710 56A Ave.). Communications infrastructure (cellphone, regular phone, or the Internet) is usually one of the first services to fail in a major emergency due to damage, lack of electricity and/or overload. Ham radio uses direct radio to radio communication independent of commercial systems, allowing emergency messages to get through.SEPAR operates under the direction of the Surrey Fire Department and would be called out at the request of the Surrey Emergency Program.

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Gary R. Goodwin, KC8TGP (SK):

Posted: 25 Feb 2012 04:11 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27788

Gary R. Goodwin, 76 of Dade City, Fla., (formerly of Marietta) passed away on Friday (Feb. 3, 2012). He was born May 3, 1935, in Marietta. He graduated in 1953 from Marietta High School and served in the United States Army. He retired in 1992 from Monongahela Power Company after 34 years where he worked as an electrician. He was an avid Ham Radio Operator, call letters KC8TGP.

217. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 27 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 11:31:56 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5299be330fe8204b9f074be@google.com>
Source record: 3584
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ISS astronaut active on 145.800 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aLf3XZPK5aE/iss_astronaut_active_on_145_800_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Astronaut André Kuipers PI9ISS was calling CQ from the International Space Station on 145.800 MHz FM on both Saturday and Sunday afternoon, Feb. 25-26

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Martlesham Microwave Round Table

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/95PGSY7qkyE/martlesham_microwave_round_table.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Martlesham Microwave Round Table takes place April 28-29, 2012. This year there will be talks on both Saturday and Sunday, among the speakers will be G3RUH, G4JNT, G4NNS, G8CUB, G4HUP, WA5VJB and G4DDK

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Lagan Valley ARS Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GUX_0KI4vqo/lagan_valley_ars_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Lagan Valley Amateur Radio Society annual rally and hamfest will take place in the Village Centre, Hillsborough on Saturday, March 3, 2012 commencing at 11:30 a.m.

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AEd5c2I4a5U/dxcc_report_2702.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 19th-February, through Sunday, 26th-February there were 232 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5e2Or-88eLM/february_27.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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Charlie Tango eXtreme DX Team PMR446 Easter Event 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FJDffCjkTFE/charlie_tango_extreme_dx_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The CT eXtreme DX Team and PMR446 are ideally suited - so for our very
first team event, we're inviting everyone to head out and see what we can do

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Today's ARISS ESA - ESTEC event on Echolink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iaPVSHmyl9M/ariss_audio_feed_2702.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the ESA
- ESTEC Event, Noordwijk, Netherlands on Monday February 27, 2011 at 1245
UTC

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DX University 2012

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6rJ5FMh6MA4/dx_university_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DX University™ will take place at the Holiday Inn, Visalia, California, on
Friday, 20th April, 2012

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Annobon Island DXpedition delayed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WMvglQV5pvA/annobon_island_dxpedition_delayed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio operators Elmo EA5BYP and Javier EA5KM continue to be active
as 3C6A from Bioko Island (AF-010), which was expected to last until
February 26th

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EtVmHFo5u68/history_27_february.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

218. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 26th February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 13:00:18 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120227130003.DB8B833C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3585
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 26th February 2012

The news headlines:

* National Radio Centre opens its doors

* Improved access at 5MHz

* New RSGB VHF Manager

The National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park opened its doors for the first time on Saturday 25 February. It is initially operating for three days a week, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, while the displays and exhibits are put through their paces. The formal opening is expected to take place in late spring. The date will be announced later.

Following proposals from the RSGB to Ofcom, aimed at harmonising NoV access to 5MHz with that access enjoyed by radio amateurs in other countries, the Society has received an offer from the MoD. It was reported earlier that the MoD were unable to meet our request for access over a continuous range, ie a band, so at our request have offered a number of small frequency blocks, which include all of the present 3kHz wide channels. Since the response is quite complex, the Society is to seek views using its new Litmus Test process on how it should respond. This Litmus Test will be open to all UK radio amateurs and will commence on 1 March. More information can be found on the RSGB website, following the link on the home page to Consultations.

The Society is pleased to announce that Terry Stevens, G8DKS has been appointed VHF Manager, with immediate effect. The role covers the development of the hobby and spectrum management issues, both nationally and internationally, on frequencies between 30MHz and 1GHz.

In the March edition of RadCom it was announced that the Society is about to start a month's consultation on the draft Spectrum Strategy that has been prepared by the RSGB Spectrum Forum. The consultation will go live on Thursday 1 March. The draft strategy and links to the online response form can be found by following the We Need Your Views link on the right hand side of the RSGB home page. We hope that as many amateurs as possible will provide us some feedback on this important subject, and that where possible people will help others who are not familiar with the web or have a disability that otherwise would make it difficult to participate.

Ofcom has today published an addendum to the second consultation on assessment of future mobile competition and proposals for the award of 800MHz and 2.6GHz spectrum. The addendum clarifies proposals for the spectrum portfolios that would be available to opted-in bidders if Everything Everywhere was to divest its 1800MHz spectrum before the planned auction at the end of 2012.

Ofcom has announced a GPS jamming exercise between 5 and 9 March near RAF Spadeadam in Cumbria. From 8am to 6pm there will be multiple jammers based within 5km of N55° 04.000' W002° 34.000', operating within the 24MHz band centred around 1575.42MHz. It is stressed that, as in previous exercises, Safety of Life operations will, at all times, take precedence over exercise activities. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 26 February, the Rainham Radio Rally takes place at the Rainham School for Girls, Derwent Way, Rainham, Gillingham ME8 0BX. The opening time is 10am. Details from Trevor, G6YLW on 07717 678 795.

The Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club Rally will take place on 4 March at the Wood Green Animal Shelter, King's Bush Farm, on the A1198 London Road at Godmanchester PE29 2NH. Doors open at 10am and entry is £3. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy with talk in on S22. Contact John, G0GKP, on 01954 200 072.

Also on 4 March, the Exeter Radio & Electronics Rally takes place in America Hall, De La Rue Way, Pinhoe Exeter EX4 8PW. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More information from Pete, G3ZVI on 07714 198 374.

Now for the news of special events

On Saturday 3 March, the Northampton Radio Club will be activating special event station GB5XX at Daventry Town Council Museum, from 10am to 4pm. The station is commemorating 80 years since the first short wave broadcasts to the Empire from Daventry radio station, 5XX. Operation will be on 20m, 17m, 2m and 70cm. More information from John Cockrill, G4CZB on 01604 832 584, in the evenings only please.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Jean-Pierre, F6ITD will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands from Guadeloupe, which is IOTA reference NA-102, until 13 March. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

DJ0IF and SP7VC will be on the air from Madeira Island, which is IOTA reference AF-104, from 29 February to 7 March as CT9/home callsign. They will be in ARRL DX SSB Contest on 3 and 4 March as CR3L. QSL for CR3L is via DJ6QT and for CT9/DJ0IF and CT9/SP7VC via their home callsigns.

Phil, G3SWH and John, G3OLU/EA5ARC will be operating as 3DA0PW from the well-equipped Hawane Resort in Swaziland. The station includes Elecraft K3 transceivers, Icom IC-2KL amplifiers, an A4S at 24m and an A3WS at

20m, a wire 4-square for 40m and a vertical for 80m complete with thirty 20m long radials. The two will active until 29 February, CW only, on 80 through to 10 metres. Plans are to have two stations active as much as possible each day. Subject to a good internet connection, there will be an online log on Phil's website and daily uploads to LoTW. QSL via G3SWH either direct, via OQRS or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

Sunday 26 February sees the first 70MHz Cumulative, which runs from 1000-1200, 70MHz only, on all modes. The exchange is RST plus serial number and locator.

The 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230UTC on 28 February. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

At the same time the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The 144/432MHz Contest takes place for 24 hours on 3 and 4 March. There are Open and Single-op categories and 6-hour and 24-hour sections, with 6-hour entrants being able to split their operating into two sessions if they wish. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The ARRL International DX contest runs for the full 48 hours of the weekend of 3 and 4 March on the 1.8 to 28MHz bands. Work US stations in the contiguous 48 States, plus Canadians. Send a signal report and your transmit output power. There are sections for QRP as well as low and high power. US stations send a signal report and 2-letter State abbreviation, while Canadian stations send a signal report and 3-letter Province code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 10th to Thursday the 16th of February, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 17th of February.

Only a small number of sunspot groups were visible this week. Most of these were small and quiet with only a couple of groups producing small C class solar flares on the 19th, 20th and the 21st. The remaining days activity was at very low levels. Solar flux levels varied little day to day and averaged 105 units, however, on the 20th flux levels increased to 111 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 23rd was 130 units, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged B2 units and varied little. Geomagnetic activity started at very quiet levels with an Ap index of only 2 units on the 17th but by the 19th and the 20th activity increased due to a small coronal hole disturbance. The most disturbed day was the 20th with an Ap index of 17 units. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 280 kilometres per second on the 18th to 650 by the 20th. Particle densities were low every day except for the 18th and the 19th which increased to 32 and 19 particles per cubic

centimetre respectively. Bz varied between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 12 and plus 10 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. Aurora was noted late on 19th and during the afternoon on the 20th, though mainly on 50MHz. The higher HF bands were patchy, though on a couple of days MUFs were comfortably above predicted values.

And finally the solar forecast. Later this week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view. Therefore, solar activity is expected to be very low to low. Solar flux levels should be not much higher than 100 units. Geomagnetic activity is expected to very quiet for the first half of the week but towards next weekend activity could increase slightly due to a small coronal hole. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 27MHz for the south and 24MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 27 February Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a club net on 144.165MHz USB from 7pm. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Monday 27 February Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal, workshop and operating evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 27 February South Birmingham Radio Society is putting the shack on the air and having a ragchew. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 27 February Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding a skittles evening. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 28 February Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 28 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 50MHz UKAC from the Shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 28 February Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 28 February Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding a project night. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 28 February Wythall Radio Club is having a talk on garden antennas by Callum, M0MCX. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 29 February Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a M3 + M6 members club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Wednesday 29 February Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a talk by Jim, G0EJQ, on the future of the RSGB. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 29 February Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding laptop computer training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 29 February Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning its contest, portable and 2m DF hunts for 2012. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 1 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running its club net on GB3LM from 20.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356. On Thursday 1 March Salop Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation course, having a natter night and holding a committee meeting. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 1 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 2 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on radio operation in VK by G8SEQ. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 2 March Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a club net on GB3FR from 8pm. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Friday 2 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 3 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack from nine till noon. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 27 February Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 27 February Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is watching the BBC video about early radio, Shock and Awe. More information from Peter

Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 27 February South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 27 February Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is holding a discussion group. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 28 February Chester & District Radio Society is having an operating evening. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 28 February Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society commences its new Foundation course. Anyone wishing to join should e-mail at G2UG@hadars.org.uk or phone Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 28 February Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a radio doctor's night with Bob, G3VVT. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 29 February Denby Dale Radio Club is visiting to Mirfield ATC, including a Heart Start first aid training session aimed at electrical and radio type situations. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 29 February Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 29 February Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society starts its Buildathon. More information from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Wednesday 29 February Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is watching the VHF NFD video. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401. On Thursday 1 March South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on 10 events from history by Nigel, M6NDG. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 1 March Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a social evening and is on the air from the club shack. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 2 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 2 March Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is running Morse tuition and putting G0NWM on the air. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 3 March Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding an Advanced exam at 1400. There is no Foundation course today. Contact Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Thursday 1 March Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on D-Star by Charlie, GI4FUE. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 28 February Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 29 February Glenrothes & DRC is holding an operating evening from 7.30pm. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 1 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 1 March Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by 2M0OXQ & MM0NAE on operating a Yaesu radio. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Friday 2 March Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Sunday 26 February Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Monday 27 February Maidstone YMCA Amateur Radio Society is having a visit from Keith Bird, RSGB region 12 DRM. More information from Howard Vicary, G0RJN, by email to hvicary@hotmail.com.

On Monday 27 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running its club net from 19.30 on GB3NB. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678. On Tuesday 28 February Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is looking at construction techniques. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 28 February Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 28 February Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 28 February Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on early TV receivers by Stephen Niechcial. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 28 February Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 28 February Home Counties ATV Group is having a talk by Noel, G8GTZ, on the move of GB3HV Mark 2 to Woodcote. Contact Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Wednesday 29 February Crawley Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on the T32C experience by team member Mike Chamberlain, G3WPH. More information from John, G3VLH, on 01342 714 402.

On Wednesday 29 February Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is opening the shack and workshop, having an informal meeting and Bright Sparks. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday 1 March Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a club meeting. Contact Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Thursday 1 March Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its construction contest. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 1 March Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 1 March Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 1 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 1 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting Bedford School Observatory & Planetarium. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 1 March Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday 2 March Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on Linux in the radio shack by Martin Butler, M1MRB. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 2 March Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 3 March Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815. On Sunday 4 March Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society commences its Foundation course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Sunday 4 March East Kent Radio Society is having a talk by Martin, G4RVV on the development of the armoured tank. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 27 February Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk about moonbounce on microwaves by Chris Bartram, GW4DGU, the founder of MuTek. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 27 February Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 27 February Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a Morse class. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 29 February Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 1 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a main club meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 1 March Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having an introduction to the square four aerial. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Thursday 1 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a darts tournament with Fred, G7LPP. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 1 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 2 March Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on Goonhilly and the next 50 years of space communication by Des Prouse. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Friday 2 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday 1 March Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

219. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 27 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 15:16:32 UTC
From: Jim gm4dhj <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jig6ofeic1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3586
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aLf3XZPK5aE/iss_astronaut_active_on_145_800_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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> Station on 145.800 MHz FM on both Saturday and Sunday afternoon, Feb.
> 25-26
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this pish "you should never transmit on 145.800" ??? ....

220. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 27 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 16:03:20 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mork@nospam4me.invalid>
Message-ID: <jig9g8tqf1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3587
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Jim gm4dhj" <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in
news:jig6ofeic1@dont-email.me:

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221. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-015E - Earle Smith, VE6NM - SK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 16:50:40 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F4BB4ED.2000003@rac.ca>
Source record: 3588
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-015E - Earle Smith, VE6NM - SK
2012-02-25

It is with regret that Radio Amateurs of Canada has learned that Earle Smith, VE6NM, a RAC past President, passed away peacefully after an illness on Friday, February 24th.

Earle had served as President of RAC from late 2004 to the end of 2007 and was well respected by amateur radio operators both within Canada and Internationally. He was a gentleman and friend to all hams and a strong advocate for amateur radio and for the Radio Amateurs of Canada.

All who knew Earle respected him as a leader, a friend and a force for good in the amateur radio community. We will miss him. The amateur community can post condolences which will be forwarded to the family at http://earlesmith.rac.ca.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President and Chairman of Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

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Date: 2012-02-27 17:23:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3036399f5fe04804b9f55cf0@google.com>
Source record: 3589
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Surfin: Hunting Broadcast Radio Transmitters

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 05:51 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335536-Surfin-Hunting-Broadcast-Radio-Transmitters&goto=newpost

Surfin: Hunting Broadcast Radio Transmitters [FONT=Century Gothic]

TAGS: AM radio, antenna towers, Bob Mudra, displays, google map, Internet, radio stations, Stan Horzepa, technical information, transmitter, TV station, valley, WA1LOU blog, watr

02/24/2012

By Stan Horzepa, WA1LOU

Contributing Editor

This week, Surfin wonders where the transmitter went -- and finds it on the Internet.

It was easy when there were only three AM radio stations in town. The antenna towers of WATR were only two blocks away and dominated my neighborhood. WWCO's tower was clearly visible up the valley about three miles away, and WBRY's towers were a little further north -- not visible from my home -- but an easy spot when traveling around the north end of town.

But things got complicated.

WATR added a TV station to the mix, call signs changed, WATR TV moved from the AM radio site, FM stations came on the air, FM stations changed hands and changed call signs, new towers went up here, there and everywhere. You couldnt tell a radio site without a scorecard.

Need a scorecard?

Radio-Locator fills the bill. It claims to be the most comprehensive radio station search engine on the internet with links to over 10,000 radio station web pages and over 2500 audio streams from radio stations in the US and around the world.

You can search by location or call sign. When Radio-Locator finds a station, it displays its technical information including the coordinates of the stations transmitter. Click on the coordinates and a new browser window

opens a Google Map, displaying the transmitters location. How cool is that?

Thank you, Bob Mudra, AK9RM, for reminding about Radio-Locator.

Until next time, keep on surfin

Web Site for above article www.radio-locator.com

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Titans in Space Near Space Upcoming Balloon Launch - LEO-1

Posted: 26 Feb 2012 06:01 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335496-Titans-in-Space-Near-Space-Upcoming-Balloon-Launch-LEO-1&goto=newpost

The Olde Towne Middle School Radio and Technology Club & Science Club would like to announce their upcoming near-space balloon launch. The launch will take place March 3rd at 9:30 plus or minus a little for wx delays. The balloon and payload will be named Leo-1 after Leo McGehee K5LEM (SK) who was a vital member of our chase on our first balloon launch last Spring. This year we are focusing on using the balloon as a payload delivery system for science projects that are dependent on getting into the stratosphere.

One major change is that we are attempting a HF and VHF telemetry reception record as shown on arhab.org. Please let your friends in South America and Europe know about the flight and what to listen for. If you copy telemetry from either unit, email or snail mail me(N5VEI or KC5NXD) your copy to receive a QSL card. We need all the reports we can get, ESPECIALLY THOSE FROM OVERSEAS OR SOUTH OF THE BORDER!

Below are the flight details:

Olde Towne Middle School Near-Space Exploration Program 2011-2012

Mission name: LEO-1 (dedicated to Leo McGehee, K5LEM (SK))

Date: Primary March 3, 2012 - 9:30am Central time, backup - March 4th 1pm Central time

Launch location: Gluckstadt, MS near the Nissan Plant (142 Calhoun Parkway, Madison, MS)

Payload: Balloon - Kaymont 1200g, Gas - He, Parachute - modified 5 ft. rocket chute

Radio payload:

Big Red Bee APRS - KC5NXD-12 (webpage: aprs.fi and search for the callsign), SPOT Locator, GOPRO HD camera, voice beacon on 146.565 Mhz, HF telemetry - Frequency: approx 14.104 (plus 1500 on the waterfall) 1 minute on and 1 minute off - DominoEx-16, RTTY 110, CW (DominoEx16 ☐ full telem., RTTY 110 ☐ full telem., Hell and CW are Altitude only). Common software for all modes is FLDigi. #Google: FLDigi high altitude balloon. #Set it up to relay telemetry to the internet if you can - setup guide: http://ukhas.org.uk/guides:tracking_guide.

Science payload:

Mini Wx Station, high speed particle test, DNA mutation bacteria, adhesion test, extreme battery test, low pressure expansion test, elasticity test, water loss test, sound distortion test

Tracking: 1) go to the following webpage: http://aprs.fi and search for the callsign KC5NXD-12

2) go to http://spacenear.us/ and look for either KC5NXD or N5VEI

Prediction page: http://nearspaceventures.com/w3Baltrak/readyget.pl

Radio and Tech Club Goals:

1) Reach 85,000 feet

2) Recover the payload

3) Get students interested in science experimentation

4) Get the students and the public interested in amateur radio and near space exploration

5) Encourage science techniques, experimentation, and developing engineering skills

Science Club objectives:

1) Engage students in STEM related hands-on learning

2) Promote critical thinking skills

3) Increase science awareness with real-world applications

4) Develop sound experimental designs utilizing the scientific method

5) Conduct quantitative analysis to aid in scientific skill development

Possible mission scrub causes: Excessive winds, rain, severe weather

Sponsors: ###

1) Frank Howell, K4FMH - k4fmh.com - Big Red Bee GPS unit

2) Mississippi State University - Helium gas

3) Bill Richardson, N5VEI - OTMS Radio and Tech Club sponsor

4) Bobby Robinson - OTMS Science Club sponsor

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Equipment: GOPRO Camera, Big Red Bee Balloon APRS unit, Doppler DF Instruments voice beacon, SPOT Locator, WB8ELK HF telemetry unit, and one unregistered geocoin to count as possibly one of the first if not the first to go to the stratosphere.

Needs:

Sponsors

Tracking teams

Local monitors for APRS and other tracking systems

223. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 27 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 17:24:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2352f58aaf9804b9f56039@google.com>
Source record: 3590
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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E51BKM E51GMH South Cook Islands

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 01:24 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335523-E51BKM-E51GMH-South-Cook-Islands&goto=newpost

VK4WR and VK4FI will be active from South Cook Islands 8-27 April 2012 as
E51BKM and E51GMH

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-cook-islands/

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ZS8X: Legit?

Posted: 26 Feb 2012 08:56 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335513-ZS8X-Legit&goto=newpost

In the ARRL CW contest a week ago I worked a station signing ZS8X on 20
meters. That's one I need, but I can't find any info on him. Does anyone
have any info on him?

Hal

224. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 27 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 19:49:06 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <aed0d489-f4da-42fb-ad4b-d6aac16fca91@s7g2000vby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3591
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 27, 11:03 am, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
> "
get kelp fanboi fake

225. eHam.net News for Monday 27 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-27 23:36:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f839b239422aa04b9fa92cc@google.com>
Source record: 3592
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Response from Ofcom on 5 MHz NoV:

Posted: 26 Feb 2012 04:26 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27791

Following proposals from the RSGB to Ofcom, aimed at harmonising our NoV access to 5 MHz with that access enjoyed by radio amateurs in other countries, the Society has received an offer from the primary user, which in the UK is the MoD. As has been reported earlier the MoD was unable to meet our request for access over a continuous range, i.e. a band, but has offered a number of small frequency blocks, which includes all of the present 3 kHz wide channels.

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VA3XPR Global 360 Net:

Posted: 25 Feb 2012 04:00 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27790

On April 27, 2011, a large tornado tracked across Tuscaloosa County, Alamaba, including the southern and eastern portions of the city of Tuscaloosa. Join in to the VA3XPR Global 360 Net to hear a firsthand account from our guest speaker Richard Ranson, KD9Q, on how Amateur Radio provided vital emergency communications during this natural disaster.

226. Help Wanted To Stamp Out Hunger Worldwid

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 00:12:22 UTC
From: Robert Cullen <myuseonline96@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b7df6d90-3bc1-4d6c-a7d3-7e8908a4a11f@gw9g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3593

Greetings,

Do you shop online?

This method of shopping for goods and services has become as
common as going to the local convenience store for bread and milk.

I am an Internet Marketer offering to donate net profits from
commissions earned and the link below explains the offer in more
detail. I believe no human should go without the basic necessity
of life -- Food. A healthy person can be more productive in society
and less dependent on government programs.

I urge you to join me in this effort -- you will pay no more than
you would otherwise pay through any other link. Go ahead and click
the link below to get the details on this program.

http://www.Amazon.MyUseOnline.com/hungerproject/

Regards,

Robert

227. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event Station - VO1AA - April, 25, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 05:18:13 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F4C6499.3060402@rac.ca>
Source record: 3594
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Special Event Station - VO1AA - April, 25, 2012
2012-02-26

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

228. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 28 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 13:11:44 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340e5da707cb04ba044f3d@google.com>
Source record: 3595
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Parachute Mobile at Radiofest 2012, March 3, Monterey CA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jdnR-h0gcpE/parachute_mobile_at_radiofest_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Parachute Mobile will be operating in conjunction with Radiofest 2012 next
Saturday March 3, 2012. Radiofest 2012 is the ARRL Santa Clara Valley
Section Convention

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Earle Smith, VE6NM - SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Rdps00ZUPWQ/earle_smith_ve6nm_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Report on National Radio Centre visit

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tnyt7moib9c/national_radio_centre_visit.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Essex radio amateurs Pete M0PSX and Sarah M6PSK visited the new National
Radio Centre at Bletchley Park and produced a well illustrated report on
what they saw

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SARL Leap Year Challenge

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bfSkd5iu6wc/sarl_leap_year_challenge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

You are invited to take part in the Leap Year Challenge on Wednesday 29
February 2012 and make as many contacts as you can on this day

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EI80IRTS Special Callsign

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1vozexIgB14/ei80irts_special_callsign.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society are celebrating their 80th
Anniversary, and the special callsign EI80IRTS is now on the air

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Wireless Institute of Australia Annual Conference, Mildura

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7aSnT19Q4e4/wireless_institute_of_australia_annual_conference_mildura.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are now on
the WIA website. The host club is the Sunraysia Radio Group

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North Cork Radio Group at Blackrock Castle

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6UwyulYb0WI/north_cork_radio_group_at_blackrock_castle.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The North Cork Radio Group will be activating Blackrock Castle as part of
CASHOTA on the 4th March next 2 - 5pm as EI1NC/P

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North Cork Radio Club activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q9tqc_XZpwA/north_cork_radio_club_activating_mizen_head_visitors_centre.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be activating
Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend

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Craggy Island DXpedition Group

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fzAig3ssKwE/craggy_island_dxpedition_2802.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are delighted to announce that the Craggy Island Dxpedition Group has
received its new callsign EI0TED which of course will be EJ0TED when

operating from offshore Islands

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Chelmsford Talk - Testing Aerials

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3CdNHtypxOg/chelmsford_talk_testing_aerials.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) is fortunate to have Andrew
Tyler G1GKN give a presentation, Testing Aerials, on Tuesday, March 6

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EuroLuna OZ9LUNA CubeSat launch update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iH6lfH0NRTo/euroluna_oz9luna_cubesat_launch_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The President of Euroluna Palle Haastrup gives an update on the Romit1
CubeSat and plans for Romit2 and Romit3

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Source record: 3597
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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9Q6/ZS4U Democratic Republic of Congo

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 08:08 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335728-9Q6-ZS4U-Democratic-Republic-of-Congo&goto=newpost

ZS4U will be active from Democratic Republic of Congo 14 March - 8 April 2012 as 9Q6/ZS4U

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...blic-of-congo/

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YB8Y Ohoiew Island

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 01:06 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335692-YB8Y-Ohoiew-Island&goto=newpost

YB8XM will be active from Ohoiew Island (IOTA OC-221) , Kai Islands 20-27 March 2012 as YB8Y

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ohoiew-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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VA3XPR Global 360 Net: Canadian Distracted Driving Legislation, Mar. 10th

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 11:05 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335584-VA3XPR-Global-360-Net-Canadian-Distracted-Driving-Legislation-Mar-10th&goto=newpost

Distracted Driving Legislation has appeared in several Canadian provinces as a way of stemming unsafe driving practices, thereby reducing the number of motor vehicle accidents and fatalities in these jurisdictions. As a result of this legislation, the use of Amateur Radio in vehicles has been affected. Please join in to the VA3XPR Global 360 Net where our guest speaker Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW, President of Radio Amateurs of Canada, will provide an update on this legislation and the efforts of Radio Amateurs of Canada to minimize the impact to Amateur Radio operations.

>Date: March 10, 2012

Time: 14:00 UTC (09:00 EST)

RF (Toronto area): 441.950+ PL 100.0 Hz (VA3XPR)

IRLP reflector: 9558

EchoLink conference: *VK3JED* (42840)

Guest Speaker: Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW, President, Radio Amateurs of Canada

The VA3XPR Global 360 Net is an English-language net that is intended to be a forum to discuss issues relating to Amateur Radio from a global perspective and to promote diversity within the hobby. Hams from all corners of the globe are encouraged to check-in and participate in this informative and interactive net.

For more information about the VA3XPR Global 360 Net, please check out:

http://www.qrz.com/db/va3xpr

Cheers!

Don

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231. Re: QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 27 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 17:22:08 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mork@nospam4me.invalid>
Message-ID: <jij2g0seh3@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3598
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com (QRZ.com via rec.radio.info Admin)
wrote in news:20cf3036399f5fe04804b9f55cf0@google.com:

> QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News
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I is banned from thier

232. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 28 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 17:22:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c730bfeb104ba0978e0@google.com>
Source record: 3599
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Earle Smith, VE6NM - SK

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 11:46 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335591-Earle-Smith-VE6NM-SK&goto=newpost

Earle Smith, VE6NM - SK

It is with regret that Radio Amateurs of Canada has learned that Earle Smith, VE6NM, a RAC past President, passed away peacefully after an illness on Friday, February 24th.

Earle had served as President of RAC from late 2004 to the end of 2007 and was well respected by amateur radio operators both within Canada and Internationally. He was a gentleman and friend to all hams and a strong advocate for amateur radio and for the Radio Amateurs of Canada.

All who knew Earle respected him as a leader, a friend and a force for good in the amateur radio community. We will miss him.

The amateur community can post condolences which will be forwarded to the family at http://earlesmith.rac.ca.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW

President and Chairman

Radio Amateurs of Canada

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233. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 18:18:04 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <ce3512cf-f1b0-4f61-a341-1968e310f598@l7g2000vbw.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3600
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Feb 28, 12:22 pm, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
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fanboi fake

234. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 20 - 26 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 20:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120228203002.3BDD933C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3501
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Feb 28 1652 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
20 - 26 February 2012

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. Regions 1421 (N18,
L=133, class/area = Cro/30 on 20 February) and 1422 (N15, L=177,
class/area = Dsi/330 on 21 February) each produced isolated C-class
activity, the largest a C4 at 20/0509 UTC from Region 1421. The most
significant event of the period was a filament eruption from the
northeast quadrant early on 24 February associated with an
Earth-directed coronal mass ejection (CME).

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit. An
enhancement of the greater than 10 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous
orbit began around 25/0300Z and continued through the remainder of
the period (peak flux of 4.6 pfu at 26/0055 UTC). The enhancement
was associated with the filament eruption observed on 24 February.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit
increased from normal to high levels during 20 - 22 February due to
effects from a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Fluxes
decreased to mostly moderate levels during 23 - 26 February.

Geomagnetic field activity was at unsettled to active levels with
minor to major storm periods at high latitudes due to CH HSS
effects. Activity decreased to quiet to unsettled levels on 21
February as CH HSS effects subsided. Quiet to unsettled levels were
observed on 22 February with active periods at high latitudes due to
the onset of another CH HSS. Activity dropped to mostly quiet levels
on 23 February as CH HSS effects subsided. Mostly quiet to unsettled
levels occurred during the remainder of the period (24 - 26
February) with the exception of isolated active to major storm
levels at high latitudes on 25 February. A Sudden Impulse (19 nT)
was observed on 26 February marking the arrival of the 24 February
CME.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
29 February - 26 March 2012
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Solar activity is expected to be very low to low during the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 29 February - 17 March. Flux is expected to increase to moderate to high levels on 18 - 19 March due to effects from a recurrent CH HSS. Predominately normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin with quiet to unsettled levels on 29 February as effects from the 24 February CME subside. Predominately quiet levels are expected during the forecast period. However, unsettled conditions are likely on 02, 05 - 07 and 11 March due to weak CH HSS effects and unsettled to active conditions are expected on 17 - 20 March due to a more prominent recurrent negative polarity CH HSS.

235. eHam.net News for Tuesday 28 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-28 23:23:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3baa4dda851404ba0e84b7@google.com>
Source record: 3502
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Patrick Germond: Help with the Hams:

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 04:23 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27794

"No worries, mate, no worries. Give your Sheila a kiss for me. Sydney, Australia clear." "Copy that, Sydney. Take care and I'll talk to you later. This is Kilo Delta Zero Juliet Alfa India out, and the frequency is clear." What you just read was part of a short wave (ham radio) conversation I had with a fellow from down under last October. I would like to take a moment to share with you some of the details of ham radios, and why it's a growing hobby among future electrical engineers, hobbyists, and preppers.

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Ham Radio Operators Check in to the Battleship:

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 04:17 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27793

WILMINGTON, NC (WECT) - The Battleship North Carolina is used to getting visitors from all over the world. But today, some of those visitors visited the ship through the airwaves. Sunday was North Carolina's QSO Party. QSO is code that amateur radio operators use when they've made contact with someone else. The battleship is one of four locations across the state where people who successfully QSO them can get extra points. Each week a different state has a QSO party and this weekend, ham radio operators from every North Carolina county participated. "The possibility of potential is worldwide," said Azalea Coast Amateur Radio Club member Allan Pellnat.

236. SEXY VIDEOS YOU MUST SEE MASALA HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 01:52:45 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1193a8e2-8e04-4de3-a942-e6810132c19d@y10g2000vbn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3503

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

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http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

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http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html

237. The ARRL Contest Update for February 29, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 05:09:56 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120229043235.8C54623D8F@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3504
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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February 29, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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==> NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

This weekend brings the phone weekend of the venerable ARRL DX Phone
contest, now more than 80 years old and the oldest of all radiosport
contests. With all the DX beaming your way, fill your log with
long-distance contacts and practice your pileup and copying technique.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue

BUSTED QSOS

Clarifying the WRC-12 report from the last issue - the new allocation
will not take effect until it is entered into the Radio Regulations. No
date has been set for this, but it is unlikely to be earlier than
January 1, 2013. In any case, no amateur can use the band until his or
her national regulations are revised to implement the allocation.
(Thanks, Khrystyne K1SFA)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

March 3-4
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- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (Mar 2)
- ARRL International Phone DX Contest
- Worldwide EME Contest
- Open Ukraine RTTY Championship
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Mar 5)
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Mar 6)
- YL CW Party (Mar 6)
- John Rollins Memorial DX Contest--CW (Mar 7)

Mar 10-11

- RSGB Commonwealth Contest--CW
- AGCW QRP Contest--CW
- QRP ARCI HF Grid Square Sprint--CW
- EA PSK63 Contest
- Idaho QSO Party
- North American RTTY Sprint
- Wisconsin QSO Party

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The following schedule of free webinars comes from Potomac Valley Radio Club President K4ZW, Ken Claerbout:

Title: N1MM Logger in Depth: Part 1 - Overview
Date: Tuesday, February 28 at 9 PM EST
Title: N1MM Logger in Depth: Part 2 - Digital Modes and Multi-Op
Date: Tuesday, March 6 at 9 PM EST
Title: Getting Started In Digital Contesting
Date: Sunday, April 1 at 3 PM EDT

The web link to registration is posted on the PVRC website <http://www.pvrc.org/> under the Upcoming Webinars link.

The WRC-12 Plenary meeting agreed that WRC-15 will consider a possible new secondary amateur allocation within the band 5250 - 5450 kHz in accordance with Resolution COM6/12 (WRC-12). A worldwide amateur allocation on 60 meters draws ever closer - patience! (Thanks, Frank W3LPL)

Also drawing closer is the summer thunderstorm season here in the US. This would be a great time to spend a few hours in a National Weather Service (NWS) SKYWARN training session <http://skywarn.org/skywarn-training/>. Even with the advances in Doppler radar and other monitoring marvels, the NWS relies on the eyes and instruments of observers. Contesters make great weather spotters, too, being accustomed to exchanging information accurately and efficiently. Here's a great way to put your talents to work for your community - especially younger hams looking for a way to make meaningful contributions.

Here's an interesting remote rig control interface <https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/photo/vRvw9TECtZN0wp68n-G4ukCW0xPRFk9-O49_QJlUHTI?feat=directlink>

based on the iPad. It also logs your contacts! (Thanks, Brian K1BRF)

Jim AD1C has released version 3.1 of PASS
<http://software.ad1c.us/pass/> - a program to analyze passing stations
from band-to-band during contests. This version includes pass_win.exe
which will work from a command prompt under Window 7/Vista as well as
Windows XP.

There has been a lot of discussion of the Sun's activity and potential
effects on terrestrial electronic and power distribution systems. You'd
never know it from the current state of the higher HF bands but there
were a lot of sunspots just a couple of months ago - and they could
return at any time. Not known for alarmist narrative, this IEEE
Spectrum article "A Perfect Storm of Planetary Proportions
<http://spectrum.ieee.org/energy/the-smarter-grid/a-perfect-storm-of-planetary-proportions
>"
reviews susceptibility to solar surges.

Rick NQ4I notes that the NQ4I multi-multi team has preferred using the
cqcontest <http://cqcontest.ru/> Russian real-time contest score
posting website. There are plenty of features, including display of
scores and multipliers.

With interest building in the eventual MW (medium wave) amateur
allocation, readers may be interested in the printed monthly magazine
called "Lowdown" published by the Longwave Club of America
<http://www.lwca.org/>, covering everything on LF from "Natural Radio"
(atmospherics) to 500 kHz, experimental stations, technical content,
and a stations-heard listing. (Thanks, Bob K2EUH)

After a weekend of listening to Reverse Beacon Network spot-clickers
all winding up approximately exactly zero-beat with each other on a DX
station, here's a good one from Guy N7ZG - "If QNZ means 'please zero
beat my frequency' then how about adding QTK, meaning "Will you
knuckleheads please spread out?""

Web Site of the Week - Notice just reached the Contest Corral of a
brand-new contest from China - the Worked All Provinces of China
<http://www.mulandxc.org/?page_id=2> (WAPC), sponsored by the Mulan DX
Club. A "test" run will be held on 21 April from 0000-2359Z and the
main event is currently planned for October 6th. It is great to see a
Chinese-sponsored HF DX contest! (Thanks, Randy K5ZD and Fred K3ZO)

WORD TO THE WISE

Pass - In a multi-operator station, it's a good idea to keep your eye
on the logging software to notice if the station you are working is
needed on another band for a multiplier. If so, ask them if they will
move for you - it's called "passing the multiplier" and a well-executed
sequence of ringing up a few new ones, particularly late in the
contest, is really exciting to see!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

During the 2011 CQWW CW there were good conditions on the 15 meter band and Julian VK4CMV recorded signals with extreme echoes from SK3W - near his antipode. In this YouTube video <http://youtu.be/_T0BoAjCbzg> you can hear strong echoes that are delayed almost a half second. While not quite as much time elapsed as for Long Delayed Echoes, this is clearly unusual propagation. (Thanks, Ingo SM5AJV)

The solar wind stream that hit Earth's magnetic field on Feb. 18th initiated surprisingly widespread aurora displays. Sightings of the aurora borealis crossed the Canadian border and were reported as far south as Nebraska in the United States. Photographs of the display and speculation about what made the solar wind impact so potent are available on the Spaceweather website <http://spaceweather.com/>. While you're there, read up on the planetary conjunctions going on now and in the days to come.

Zoli HA1AG posted a nice photo album <http://www.hg6n.hu/ha1ag/zenphoto/> from the ED9M operation last year. While you're there, check out his photos from other radio adventures!

Did you ever wonder how long a nanosecond is? Watch this video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JEpsKnWZrJ8&feature=youtu.be> as Admiral Grace Hopper (SK) explains.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDSS

RTTY contesting is certainly growing like a weed. Ed W0YK <w0yk@cqwpxrtty.com>, CQ RTTY Contest Director informs us that, "Over 3300 logs have been received, topping last year's record number of 2374. However, there are many more call in the aggregate QSOs from the received logs, so there are many more logs available to aid the log checking. We would appreciate receiving your log even if you'd like it to be used as a checklog. No log is too small to be useful!" The log submission deadline is 2359Z on Thursday, Mar 1 and logs can be submitted by email <rtty@cqwpx.com> or via the web <http://www.cqwpx.com/logcheck>.

Preliminary CW Sprint Results <http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintcwprelim.php> can be found on the National Contest Journal website. Congratulations to Scott KA9FOX with a very impressive QRP score over 10K points. There was a photo finish in the team scores with NCCC #1 just edging out the Ad Hoc team. (Thanks, CW Sprint Manager, Tree N6TR)

Check out the soapbox comments <http://www.eskimo.com/%7Emwdink/3830/> collected from 3830 postings for recent contests by Dink N7WA. Great reading and an excellent way to get prepared for the next contest!

Who was loudest? Who was spotted the most on all the bands? Pete N4ZR reports that Bob N6TV has prepared a package of statistics from the recent ARRL DX CW contest. They are now posted on the Reverse Beacon Network blog <http://reversebeacon.blogspot.com/2012/02/arrl-dx-cw-stats-thanks-n6tv.html>.

Everyone who submitted a log for the WPX SSB/CW Contests was sent an email with a link to their log checking report. If you lost that email or did not receive it you should contact WPX Contest Director, Randy K5ZD <k5zd@cqwpx.com>.

A list of Logs Received for the 2011 edition of the Canada Winter Contest has been published <tp://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests>. Inquiries on the listing can be sent to Canada Winter Contest Chairman, Sam VE5SF <%20Canadawinter@rac.ca>. Plaques for the 2010 edition of the Canada Winter Contest are in the mail - don't forget to drop a note of thanks to the plaque sponsor!

Results for the Stew Perry <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/stew.html> contest are "basically final." Contest manager, Tree N6TR of the Boring (OR) Amateur Radio Club says, "At some point, I will figure out who won which awards and do a writeup. That is - unless someone is inspired to do a guest writeup like Paul, K8PO did last year. It was nice seeing the writeup done from a less "Boring" perspective for a change."

Contest Director, Goetz DJ3IW and Contest Manager, Bernd DC4HB write to let us know that the results of the 2011 DRCG Long Distance Contest <http://drcg.de/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=138&Itemid=93> are available.

OPERATING TIP

When conditions are "funny" due to a solar hiccup or a geomagnetic disturbance, start looking for unusual propagation along skewed paths or for openings at unusual times. Paths at the customary times and bearings may be closed but when the ionosphere is busy, strange things have been known to happen!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Brian K1LI writes, "In the category of "useful resources," I find that the Space Weather Alerts and Warnings Timeline <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/alerts/alerts_timeline.html> gives me, at a glance, lots of information that helps me understand what's going on propagation-wise, such as the timeline for Jan 16 -31 <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/alerts/archive/archive_16Jan2012.html>. It gives a very interesting depiction of the events we all witnessed.."

When using the paralleled-coax technique of making balanced transmission line from coax, does that change the velocity factor? "Nope...it's exactly the same." What about the matched loss of the line? "The matched loss per unit length of the resulting twin-lead will also be exactly the same." (Thanks, Jim W6RMK and Steve G3TXQ)

You can run tetrode amplifier tubes as grounded-grid as described in this classic article <http://ahars.com.au/documents/eimac01.pdf> by Bill Orr W6SAI in which he describes such operation of the 4-125A, 4-250A, 4-400A, and 4-1000A. (Thanks, Bill WA4LAV)

John KE7KDQ recently compiled this list
<http://lifehacker.com/5884556/electrodroid-is-a-reference-for-all-of-your-diy-electronics-and-circuit-building-projects?tag=android-downloads>
of Do-It-Yourself (DIY) electronic and circuit-building apps for the Android operating system. And while we're in DIY mode, here's an Instructables lesson on the how-to of motors <http://www.instructables.com/id/How-To-Motors/>. What do motors have to do with radio? Ask any SteppIR <http://www.steppir.com/> antenna owner!

Technical Web Site of the Week - The Bliley crystal pictured in the previous issue prompted this recollection by Ellen W1YL of the famous VF1 "variable frequency" (or "rubber") crystals. "Yes it was intentionally designed to allow you to change frequency-- as I seem to recall (over 60 years ago now!) it had a variable pressure plate with a exterior portion that you 'screwed' in or out to vary the frequency...just a bit but it was literally our first VFO and a big deal, even though the frequency variation was small." You can see the Bliley VF1 on the website <http://www.bliley.net/XTAL/> maintained by Bliley descendent, Charles K3NAU.

==> CONVERSATION

Recordum Quod est Locutus

The Latin phrase for "record what is spoken" should be kept in mind during this weekend's coming ARRL DX Phone contest - and throughout the year. Your job - as a radio operator - is to record the information that is actually transmitted by the other station, beginning with the call sign.

Believe not the spot - verily, I say unto you, verify! Listen so that you are sure of what you put in your log. If a station is not giving a call sign frequently enough, call and ask for it.

Exhibit a healthy amount of skepticism towards the information popping up on your band map or web browser. Using any of the contest modes, the slightest miscue will result in a busted call or exchange and cost you the contact, possibly the multiplier, and probably some penalty points.

Really? A rare station that just happens to have a call sign just one letter different from a station that has been spotted ad infinitum all weekend just happens to show up on Sunday afternoon? Really?

Really? Down on the low bands, you just worked a distant multiplier with an incredibly booming signal who was spotted only a couple hundred hertz from a much closer station? Really?

Before you jump all over that instant pileup and hit the send button - stop and think about what might actually be happening. You're probably going to cost yourself major points by not listening and thinking. Really!

On the other side of the equation, when you spot a station manually be sure you are giving out the right information. On CW, it's so easy to miss a dit, changing a 4 to a V or a 6 to a B. On phone, the accents and QRM make for a double accuracy whammy. Was that a B or a P? An M or an N? Phonetically, please!

Maybe a catchier latin-inspired phrase would be effingo quod propagtur - copy what propagates? Could we start a radiosport movement? Sure, it's fun to click spots and watch your multiplier totals rocket their way up the ladder, but take a little extra time to be sure you've effingo-ed correctly and completely. With so much information flying around cyberspace, it's easy to forget the purpose of contesting in the first place which is to develop operating skill. Don't substitute logging information off the 'net rather than what you copy off the air.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

29 February through 13 March

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Int'l Phone DX Contest--Phone, from Mar 3, 0000Z to Mar 4, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and state, province, or power. Logs due: Apr 3. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Mar 5, 1600Z to Mar 5, 1659Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50. First through fourth Monday of each month; see website. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Mar 2, 0200Z to Mar 2, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Frequencies: Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Open Ukraine RTTY Championship--Digital, from Mar 3, 2000Z to Mar 3, 2359Z and Mar 4, 0800Z to Mar 4, 1159Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Regional abbreviation and serial. Logs due: Apr 4. Rules <http://uarl.com.ua/openrtty>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Mar 6, 0200Z to Mar 6, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

YL CW Party--CW, from Mar 6, 1900Z to Mar 6, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RST, serial, if YL "YL," name. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.agcw.de/>

John Rollins Memorial DX Contest--CW, from Mar 7, 2300Z to Mar 8, 2300Z and Mar 10, 2300Z to Mar 11, 2300Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 7,14. Exchange: RS, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

RSGB Commonwealth Contest--CW, from Mar 10, 1000Z to Mar 11, 1000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial (Commonwealth only). Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>

AGCW QRP Contest--CW, from Mar 10, 1400Z to Mar 10, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, class, AGCW number or NM. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.agcw.de/>

QRP ARCI HF Grid Square Sprint--CW, from Mar 10, 1500Z to Mar 10, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: QRP calling frequencies. Exchange: RST, 4-digit grid square, QRP ARCI number. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

EA PSK63 Contest--Digital, from Mar 10, 1600Z to Mar 11, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST + serial or EA province. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ure.es/>

Idaho QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 10, 1900Z to Mar 11, 1900Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440, Frequencies: CW 35 kHz above band edge; Phone 7.260, 14.260, 21.335, 28.470 MHz, plus 50, 144, 440 . Exchange: RS(T) and ID county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.nx7tt.com/>

North American RTTY Sprint--Digital, from Mar 11, 0000Z to Mar 11, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

Wisconsin QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 11, 1800Z to Mar 12, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW 3.550, 7.050, 14.050; Phone 3.890, 7.230, 14.290, 21.350, 28.400. Exchange: WI county or S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 12. Rules <http://www.warac.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Mar 5, 1600Z to Mar 5, 1659Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50. First through fourth Monday of each month; see website. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone,CW, from Mar 3, 0000Z to Mar 4, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 432, 3.4 GHz. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

Idaho QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Mar 10, 1900Z to Mar 11, 1900Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440, Frequencies: CW 35 kHz above band edge; Phone 7.260, 14.260, 21.335, 28.470 MHz, plus 50, 144, 440 . Exchange: RS(T) and ID county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.nx7tt.com/>

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S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 12. Rules <http://www.warac.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

29 February through 13 March

February 29 - SPAR Winter Field Day
<http://www.spar-hams.org/contests/winterfd/index.php?pg=2>

March 1 - BARTG RTTY Sprint
<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/contests/sprint/rules/bartg-sprint-contest-rules-2012.p
df>

March 1 - AWA Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest
<http://www.antiquewireless.org/pdf/2012cundallrules.pdf>

March 1 - CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest <http://www.cqwpxrtty.com/rules.htm>

March 1 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>

March 4 - SARL Digital Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>

March 5 - FYBO Winter QRP Sprint
<http://www.azscqrpions.com/fybo2009rules.html>

March 5 - Vermont QSO Party <http://www.ranv.org/vtqso.html>

March 6 - EPC WW DX Contest
<http://www.epcwwdx.srars.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=44:epc-ww-dx-co
ntest-rules-2010&catid=34:contest-rules&Itemid=59>

March 6 - Delaware QSO Party
<http://www.fsarc.org/qsoparty/qsohome.htm>

March 6 - Black Sea Cup International <http://bscc.ucoz.ru/index/0-21>

March 6 - Mexico RTTY International Contest
<http://www.fmre.org.mx/concursos/2012/rtty/rules-rtty-2012-english.doc>

March 6 - Russian PSK WW Contest
<http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=562&Itemid=192>

March 10 - North American QSO Party, RTTY
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

March 11 - KCJ Topband Contest
<http://www.kcj-cw.com/contest/12_toptest_rules_e.pdf>

March 12 - Dutch PACC Contest <http://pacc.veron.nl/>

March 12 - FISTS Winter Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>

March 12 - YLRL YL-OM Contest
<http://www.ylrl.hfradio.net/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=52&Itemid=160>

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238. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 29 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 07:10:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517cc3ec0f72104ba150a83@google.com>
Source record: 3505
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Lancaster, NY Hamfest

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 06:12 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335651-Lancaster-NY-Hamfest&goto=newpost

Lancaster, NY Hamfest

Sunday - September 9, 2012

Bowen Road Grove $5.00 admission and free tailgating

Web Site- http://gbhamfest.hamgate.net/

Hamfest Sponsored by: The Lancaster Amateur Radio Club

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Batavia NY Hamfest

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 06:09 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335650-Batavia-NY-Hamfest&goto=newpost

Batavia, NY Hamfest

Saturday - July 21, 2012 Web Site- http://gbhamfest.hamgate.net/

Alexander Firemen Grounds - $5.00 admission and free tailgating

..Outdoor Flea Market - with the same venue as prior years

VE Session

Hamfest Sponsored by: The Lancaster Amateur Radio Club

239. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 29 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 11:50:03 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340d7f9a35ac04ba18f077@google.com>
Source record: 3506
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS ham radio contact planned with students in Katerini, Greece

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SbBrfEOUm1s/ariss_event_0203.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned Friday March 2 2012 at approximately 17:03:52 UTC with
participants at 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis, Katerini, Greece

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ARRL publishes new Guidelines for 60 meters

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Sy-bmHjTDeo/arrl_publishes_new_guidelines_for_60_meters.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Thanks to the FCC Report and Order issued November 18, 2011, radio amateurs
will enjoy a number of new privileges on the 60 meter band beginning March
5, including a boost in effective radiated power from 50 to 100 W, as well
as the ability to use CW and certain digital modes

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HamRadioNow - The Orlando Interviews

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3fdgCOLUvgc/hamradionow_the_orlando_interviews.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gary Pearce KN4AQ is releasing a series a videos shot at the Orlando
HamCation in mid-February, 2012 starting with an interview with Rich
Moseson W2VU of CQ Magazine

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New date for Ipswich Radio Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mwJS952HuOs/new_date_for_ipswich_radio_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The East Suffolk Wireless Revival - Ipswich Radio Rally, have announced a
new date, Sunday, July 1, for this year's event

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Shortwave - a film

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OKBSLmCO7wE/shortwave_a_film.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During the 1973 coup d'état in Chile, a man risks his life by using ham
radio to broadcast true information. Far away in the United States, a
college student hears this man's pain and tries to find a way to help

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AO3MWC: Barcelona, Mobile World Capital

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nvtO3axS2JU/ao3mwc_barcelona_mobile_world_capital.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During the Mobile World Congress 2012, Ràdio Club Barcelona, EA3RKB, will
be on the air until March 1 with the special event station AO3MWC

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BBC - The Future of International Broadcasting?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4v4YJUcTSOM/bbc_the_future_of_interntional_broadcasting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At 2105 UT on Wednesday, February 29, the BBC World Service will broadcast
a debate about the future of international broadcasting

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Radio Australia to resume FM services in Fiji

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Fiji’s military government has agreed to allow Radio Australia to resume
its FM services inside the country

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Lesotho DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/N3hLurEjviU/lesotho_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Donovan, ZS2DL, has finalized his team of operators, but has changed the
dates for his DXpedition to Lesotho

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World Amateur Radio Day - Mexican Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9PP-QPZOQV4/mexican_special_event.htm?u

tm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Grupo DXXE will activate the special event callsign 6H6IARU between April 13-18th

240. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 29 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 17:15:14 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mork@nospam4me.invalid>
Message-ID: <jilmf2vae3@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3507
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> wrote
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241. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 29 February 2012

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Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8a7ec3be0a04ba1dbc7c@google.com>
Source record: 3508
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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HRD Software, LLC releases version 5.11a

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 05:21 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335871-HRD-Software-LLC-releases-version-5-11a&goto=newpost

Tampa, FL February 29, 2012: HRD Software, LLC announced today they have released version 5.11a of Ham Radio Deluxe.

This latest version follows the release of version 5.1 on Feb 10, 2012 and is another step in the continuing project of the company to eliminate outstanding issues found in previous versions of HRD. Rick Ruhl, W4PC, co-owner and lead programmer said, "We□ll continue to update the 5.1x releases with "bug fixes" as the development of enhancements for the 6.0 release continues.

To facilitate both bug fixes and enhancements to Ham Radio Deluxe, the development team is to moving the program source code from the obsolete Visual C++ 6.0 development environment to current Visual Studio 2010 development environment. This major step enables a more straightforward, bug-free development process and better program integration using the more powerful VS 2010 and its support tools for enhancements to HRD."

The 5.x releases of HRD are free. HRD Software LLC does have direct paid support with phone and email for the 5.1x products for an introductory price of $59.95. This pricing plan includes version 6.0 at no additional charge. The introductory price expires upon release of Ham Radio Deluxe 6.0.

The scheduled release of Ham Radio Deluxe 6.0 is May 18, 2012 at the Dayton Hamvention and on line. The MSRP for Ham Radio Deluxe 6.0 with support will be $79.95 when it is released.

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

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CircuitLab: Sketch, simulate, and share schematics

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 07:23 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335829-CircuitLab-Sketch-simulate-and-share-schematics&goto=newpost

Anyone who has ever tried to use SPICE and its extensions to simulate electronic circuits is likely to have met a great deal of frustration. Now, CircuitLab has deployed a web-based application that enables users to whip up their own simulated electronic circuits and test them. This ought to be a boon for technically inclined amateur radio operators!

https://www.circuitlab.com/

73 de Will Snyder/KB4LFD

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HSMM-MESH

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 04:24 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335805-HSMM-MESH&goto=newpost

HSMM-MESH (High Speed MultiMedia) is a great new technology that we as amateur radio Operators can take full advantage of. It's Wi-Fi on steroids!

We don't have to be hobbled by part 15 limitations, we can also use OUR frequency allocations, and avoid a majority of interference by part 15 devices.

Common, inexpensive off the shelf equipment is used and or simply modified for this application.

HSMM-MESH can enable Hams to have a robust mesh network for uses such as VOIP, callbook lookups, communication, SAR, mapping, EM-Comm, etc. The applications are endless!

More information at http://hsmm-mesh.org

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ANS-057 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335601-ANS-057-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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AMSAT Theme at Dayton 2012: Running with Fox

The 2012 Dayton Hamvention will be held this year on 18 - 20 May 2012. As has been the case for the many years Hamvention will be at the Hara Arena Complex on the north side of Dayton. AMSAT will occupy the same booths (444-449) in Ball Arena, right across from the ARRL area and just inside the door from the Satellite Demonstration area.

The AMSAT theme for 2012 is "Running with Fox". We will have multiple exhibits of the new AMSAT satellite on display.

Visit AMSAT's Dayton Hamvention page for all details on activities:

http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...012/Dayton.php

Some of the activities will include:

+ Life size Fox models will be on display as well as diagrams of the modules inside the 10cm square satellite.

+ Operational prototype of ARISSat-1 on display.

+ AMSAT Thursday Night Get-together at the Tickets Pub & Eatery.

+ The sixth annual AMSAT/TAPR Banquet will be Friday night May 18 at the Kohler Banquet Center. The price for the Banquet is $30. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Follow the links on AMSAT's Dayton page.

+ The AMSAT Forum will be on Saturday May 19.

AMSAT has a limited block of rooms reserved at the Country Inn & Suites in Fairborn, OH. Please contact Martha at the AMSAT office for room price and availability during Hamvention. Priority for rooms will be given to those volunteering to work in the AMSAT booth for multiple 2 hour shifts during Hamvention. The hotel web page is:

http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...2012/Hotel.php

The phone number for the AMSAT office is 301-589-6062. Other hotels in the immediate area of the Country inn & Suites include the Fairfield Inn, Ramada Inn, Hampton Inn, Fairborn Holiday Inn, Red Roof Inn and the Homewood Suites if additional accommodations are needed.

Further information on Hamvention 2012, including advance ticket sales and motel accommodations, can be found at http://www.hamvention.org.

ARISS School Events Now Number Over 700

ARISS Operation Team Mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N reports that the total number of ARISS ISS-to-Earth school events is now at 701. ARISS offers an opportunity for students to experience the excitement of Amateur Radio by talking directly with crewmembers on-board the International Space Station.

Teachers, parents and communities see, first hand, how Amateur Radio and crew members on ISS can energize youngsters' interest in science, technology, and learning.

ARISS is an international educational outreach program partnering the participating space agencies, NASA, Russian Space Agency, ESA, CNES, JAXA, and CSA, with the AMSAT and IARU organizations from participating countries. Further information on the ARISS program is available on the website http://www.ariss.org/ (graciously hosted by the Radio Amateurs of Canada).

The 700th school event was with The Academy@Shawnee City in Louisville, Kentucky via a telebridge contact with ON4ISS on February 14. ARISS says the special John Glenn event to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Perth, City of Lights was successful on February 20. This marked event number 701.

Planned school contacts for this coming week include:

+ ESA-ESTEC, Noordwijk, Netherlands, telebridge via IK1SLD. The schools that are involved are: American school of The Hague, International School of Amsterdam, and The British School in the Netherlands on Monday, February 27 at 12:45:29 UTC.

+ Parkside Elementary, Atlanta, GA, telebridge via K6DUE on Friday, March 3 at 16:42:29 UTC.

+ 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis, Katerini, Greece, direct via SX2ISS on Friday, March 3 at 17:03:52 UTC.

Each contact may have multiple schools sharing the same time slot. A list of all of the ARISS School Events can be found at:

http://tinyurl.com/ARISS-Events

[ANS thanks ARISS Operation Team Mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N for the above information]

ESA Reports Vega Cubesat Success

The ESA provided a summary of the success of the cubesats launched on the Vega mission on February 13. The web report said, "Shortly after the seven ESA student CubeSats started their adventure in space on board the Vega launcher yesterday, the university teams and radio amateurs all around the world pointed their 'ears' towards space and started to receive the first signs of life from the tiny spacecraft."

+ The Spanish XaTcobeo CubeSat was heard a couple of hours after launch (13 February 2012, 11:00 CET) during its first pass over the University of Vigo's ground station, and its signal was also tracked by many radio amateurs. The first data received show that the satellite's batteries are properly charged and that telemetry and telecommand systems work well, representing a very promising start for the mission.

+ The Hungarian team received the first signals from Masat-1 from a radio amateur in Florida less than two hours after launch, and by many others shortly after. A couple of hours later the team's ground station in Budapest gathered the first 'official' satellite data which confirmed that the spacecraft is in perfect shape.

+ PW-Sat, the Polish student CubeSat, was also heard loud and clear only a few hours after the launch. The signals have been heard both by the team's ground station and by several radio amateurs from the UK, India, Germany and the Netherlands.

+ The Italian UniCubeSat-GG team heard the first signals from the satellite, although they have not been decoded yet, shortly after launch, first from a Kentucky (US) ground station and then from the dedicated Rome ground station.

+ Initially weak signals were reported from the Italian e-st@r. On February 15 the e-st@r team reported signals from their CubeSat heard by their control ground station and other ham radio stations.

+ Weak signals have been received so far from the Romanian Goliat and the French Robusta CubeSats. These teams currently believe that their spacecraft may not have yet achieved a stable orientation after separation and sufficient battery charge level in orderfor their communication systems and antennas to transmit properly to the ground station. The situation will evolve in the course of the next several days, and further attempts to establish good communications links with those satellites will continue.

A joint effort from all CubeSat teams and radio amateurs from the AMSAT network has now started, in order to be able to clearly detect the satellites.

The full ESA report can be found on-line at:

http://www.esa.int/SPECIALS/Educatio...2ZYXHYG_0.html

[ANS thanks the ESA for the above information]

MASAT-1 (MO-72) Team Releases Software and Web Page Updates

The MASAT-1 team said this week that updated client software for telemetry reception and decoding is available on their web at: http://cubesat.bme.hu/en/radioamator...iens-szoftver/

Some of the upgrades include:

+ The "Offline" label removed, the status of the automatic packet reporting is displayed.

+ Battery voltage constant (on the EPS panel) updated.

+ User selection between 626/1250 bps decoding.

+ The waterfall display shows tracks for the 0, CW and 1. The decoder has been reported to be most successful if tuning is set upward by 50-100 Hz from the tuning indicators. User experiences are invited to be sent to mezei@cubesat.bme.hu.

The automated received packet upload from the client software has been updated to accept ham@cubesat.bme.hu or a@a.a as mail address for those not wishing to send their actual address. Users can change the e-mail address by editing the registration.txt file in the program folder of the software package.

A statistics web page reporting on the numbers of packets forwarded by amateur radio operators has been added:

http://cubesat.bme.hu/en/radioamator...i-statisztika/ The site has successfully received over 50000 packets from around the world. The latest updates to the web and client software should address initial concerns that 'no packets' have been received.

The MASAT-1 team thanks amateur radio operators for your outstanding support. The MASAT-1 Important News for Radio Amateurs page is at: http://cubesat.bme.hu/en/2012/02/19/...ioamatoroknek/

The MASAT-1 mission home page is: http://cubesat.bme.hu

[ANS thanks the MASAT-1 Team for the above information]

Dedicated CubeSat Radio Spectrum Discussed at WRC-12

AMSAT-UK reports on their web that the recently concluded WRC-12 conference agreed to a resolution by the SmallSat, CubeSat, and NanoSatellite community for dedicated spectrum allocation outside of the 435 to 437 MHz

amateur satellite band.

Wouter Jan Ubbels, PE4WJ with the Dutch space development company ISIS says he was able to introduce a resolution at WRC-12 submitted by a number of countries, led by the Netherlands to propose an agenda item for WRC-2015 to conduct studies to identify the spectrum needs of nano-and picosatellites, and furthermore to study the associated regulatory constraints.

After the discussions at WRC-12, the resolution received partial acceptance to begin study of the regulatory aspects for WRC-2018.

Wouter concluded, "This is very good news, and could mean that the ITU notification process for nano-and picosatellites can become greatly simplified in the future. We first of all would like to thank all the supporting administrations for their support and would like to invite the community to, through their administrations, participate in the studies, so that the outcome will be as much as possible line with the needs of the community. We will continue to work on this subject and keep you updated through these lists and at the various small / nano / picosatellite conferences and workshops."

The full news item can be viewed on the AMSAT-UK web at:

http://www.uk.amsat.org/4950

[ANS thanks Wouter Jan Ubbels, PE4WJ and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Arizona Centennial Event K7UGA Station Reports 122 Satellite QSOs

Arizona AMSAT Area Coordinator, Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK and Tom Kramer, NQ7R provided the satellite contacts for the K7UGA special-event station. K7UGA was sponsored by the Central Arizona DX Association in its commemoration of the Arizona statehood centennial.

Patrick reported, "Between Tom NQ7R and myself, we made 122 satellite contacts. Tom worked his passes from his home in Casa Grande AZ (grid DM42). For passes I worked at the start of the week through Thursday afternoon, I operated from DM43 in the Phoenix area. For the passes I worked Friday and Saturday, I was at the Yuma Hamfest. On Sunday morning, I parked next to the Yuma Territorial Prison State Historic Park overlooking the Colorado River. Both Yuma sites are in grid DM22."

Patrick posted videos of his K7UGA operation:

+ SO-50 pass on Friday (17 February) morning at 1751 UTC:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BKaIKgjuSMM

+ AO-27 pass on Friday afternoon at 2032 UTC:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AIA_VANTdpQ

+ AO-27 pass on Saturday (18 February) afternoon at 2004 UTC:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YiXTjgD5nD8

+ VO-52 pass on Sunday (19 February) morning at 1538 UTC:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l0AAB3A7Xy4

The K7UGA page on QRZ.com states that all QSL card requests be sent with SASE to: K7BHM, 1623 N. Los Altos Ct., Chandler, AZ 85224-8357.

[ANS thanks Arizona AMSAT Area Coordinator, Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK for the above information]

AA5UK Announces Plans for Hawaii Satellite Operation

Adrian Engele, AA5UK says he will be traveling to Hawaii between March 21 and April 4. This is primarily a vacation trip for sightseeing and scuba diving but satellite operation is also planned.

He will try to get on the satellites as often as his schedule permits within vacation activities. His primary focus will be on FO-29, VO-52 and AO-7 Mode B passes. SO-50 and AO-27 may be attempted if conditions permit.

+ March 21 - Fly from Chicago to Honolulu and Hilo.

+ March 22-25 - Operation from south of Hilo.

+ March 26 - April 1 - Kailua-Kona, Big Island in Hawaii.

+ April 2 - April 4: Oahu, Waikiki beach.

Adrian invites you to stay tuned via AMSAT-BB and his Twitter feed @AA5UK for latest schedule information. He will also update his page on QRZ.com in the coming weeks with additional information.

[ANS thanks Adrian Engele, AA5UK for the above information]

Satellite DX: XF1AA on Isabel Island

The OPDX Bulletin 1050 is reporting that a team of 10 operators, from the Aguas-Calientes Amateur Radio Club will activate Isabel Island, grid DL71, using the callsign XF1AA. The planned dates are March 16th through the 21st.

Ismael, XE1AY, is one of the operators and is active on the satellites. If you should hear Ismael on the birds, please give him the airtime to work as many as he can. Good luck with the operation!

[ANS thanks John Papay, K8YSE for the above information]

Volunteers Needed for AMSAT at Timonium, MD on March 31

Pat Kilroy, N8PK says that volunteers are needed to staff the AMSAT display and for satellite operating demonstrations at the Greater Baltimore Hamboree and Computerfest on Saturday, March 31 in Timonium, Maryland. This event is one of the largest Amateur Radio and technology shows on the East Coast.

In addition to the AMSAT display and satellite demonstrations Pat is planning to show the FUNcube Dongle and present show'n'tell talks for visitors to the AMSAT booth.

Please contact Pat soon by e-mail (pat@patkilroy.com) if you can help!

For more info about the hamfest visit: http://www.gbhc.org/

[ANS thanks Pat Kilroy, N8PK for the above information

ARISS Status Report - 20 February 2012

1. Kochi Youth Radio ISS Astronaut

Kochi Gakuen Kochi Junior High School in Kochi, Japan experienced a successful Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Monday, February 13. Students asked Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX, 11 questions about living in space. The contact was integrated into the science curriculum. Media coverage included three television stations and three newspapers.

2. Astronaut Dan Burbank Speaks with Louisville Students

On Tuesday, February 14, youth attending The Academy @ Shawnee participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with on-orbit astronaut Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX via telebridge station ON4ISS in Belgium. The contact took place at the Challenger Learning Center in Louisville, Kentucky with the assistance of the Louisville Astronomical Society. Approximately 40 people were in attendance and listened as Burbank chatted with students about experiments on board the ISS and the effect space has on

the human body, among other topics. The Academy, an inner city high school of 500 students, has been designated as the Aerospace Magnet School for Jefferson County Public Schools. The contact was part of a comprehensive education plan to pique students' interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

3. Astronaut Training Status

Astronaut Alexander Gerst passed his amateur radio license exam on February 13 and is waiting for his callsign to be assigned. He is scheduled to fly with Expedition 40 in May 2014.

An introductory session is planned for Gregory Wiseman, KF5LKT (Expedition 40, May 2014) on Monday, February 27 and a preflight session is scheduled for Expedition 32 astronauts Sunita Williams, KD5PLB and Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI on Monday, March 5. Williams and Hoshide will fly later this year.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

242. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 29 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 17:47:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934078f8d321704ba1def44@google.com>
Source record: 3509
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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QSL manager

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 08:05 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335902-QSL-manager&goto=newpost

Greetings to everyone,

I undertake expeditions and DX stations QSL Manager. If you are interested
write me an e-mail.

Look at the http://www.qrz.com/db/ha3jb

Gab (HA3JB)

Skype: ha3jb_gab

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Texas Independance Day and Remember The Alamo

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 07:45 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335898-Texas-Independance-Day-and-Remember-The-Alamo&
goto=newpost

SPECIAL EVENT - Texas Independance Day and Remember The Alamo, March 2-6,
0700 hours to 2300 hours (CST), 24.950, 14.240, 3.805, 7.278. QSL card
available w/your QSL card and SAE with postage. I hope to work your station!

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HI3TT Franky Active in the ARRL DX SSB Contest 2012 as HI3TT
Single-Operator All Band

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 02:50 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335863-HI3TT-Franky-Active-in-the-ARRL-DX-SSB-Contest
-2012-as-HI3TT-Single-Operator-All-Band&goto=newpost

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Single-Operator All Band.

Loma del Toro DX Club

QSL via ON4IQ. info http://qrz.com/db/hi3tt

See you in the Contest

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Special Event Station - VO1AA - April, 25, 2012

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 01:09 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335857-Special-Event-Station-VO1AA-April-25-2012&goto=newpost

Special Event Station - VO1AA - April, 25, 2012

The Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs (SONRA) will make history on April 25, 2012.

April 25th each year marks the birthday of Guglielmo Marconi, who received the first wireless signal at Signal Hill, Newfoundland.

This April 25th, SONRA will celebrate the event by making an Amateur Radio contact with Princess Elettra (Marconi) who will be in Bologna Italy to celebrate her father's birthday. It is planned to have the Canadian Heritage Minister, the NL Premier, the City of St. John's Mayor along with the NL Lieutenant Governor, exchange greetings with the Princess via Amateur Radio from VO1AA at Cabot Tower.

SONRA appreciates the wonderful relationship that it enjoys with Parks Canada, Signal Hill National Historic Site, and looks forward to many years of commemorating this important event.

73

Doug Mercer, VO1DTM/VO1DM

Chief Field Services Officer

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Parachute Mobile at Radiofest 2012, March 3, Monterey CA

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 01:05 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335856-Parachute-Mobile-at-Radiofest-2012-March-3-Monterey-CA&goto=newpost

Parachute Mobile at Radiofest 2012, March 3, Monterey CA

Parachute Mobile http://www.parachutemobile.org will be operating in conjunction with Radiofest 2012 next Saturday March 3, 2012. Radiofest 2012

is the ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention.

See http://www.radiofest.org/index.php?page=pages&id=9 for times and freqs.
Current plans are for simplex voice comms on 146.430 MHz. Live ATV video
will be broadcast from a jumper-cam and relayed to a display at RADIOFEST.

Jumper 1, Mark Meltzer AF6IM and Jumper 2, Michael Gregg KF6WRW, will be
exiting at 15,000 ft over the old Ft Ord Army airfield (Marina Airport)
which will give the jumpers a line of sight to the RADIOFEST QTH. Our team
coordinator Rob Fenn KC6TYD has completed his freefall training and will be
jumping too. This will be our team's tenth Parachute Mobile mission.

Join the fun. All you need is an HT set for our comm frequency. Jumper 1
and Jumper 2 will be fitted with APRS that will transmit their location and
altitude as well as biotelemetry data including SpO2 (blood oxygen
saturation) and heart rate. Look for AF6IM for Jumper 1 and KF6WRW for
Jumper 2 on your favorite APRS web site such as www.aprs.fi . No SSID
required.

Colorful special event QSL cards will be issued for confirmed QSOs with
hams and also for scanner enthusiasts who log our jumpers.

RADIOFEST is a fun ham event with a swap meet, exhibitors, speakers and
other activities. RADIOFEST only costs a dollar for admission:
http://www.radiofest.org/

We wish to thank RADIOFEST and Skydive Monterey Bay for their help in
making this exciting event happen.

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Parachute Mobile at RADIOFEST 2012 Monterey CA March 3

Posted: 27 Feb 2012 04:44 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335642-Parachute-Mobile-at-RADIOFEST-2012-Monterey-CA
-March-3&goto=newpost

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We wish to thank RADIOFEST and Skydive Monterey Bay www.skydivemontereybay.com for their help in making this exciting event happen.

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243. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 20:14:37 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201202292014.q1TKER1W003256@server13.web4a.de>
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** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.9 - WEEK 09/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-02-29
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: GM; Foula Island, square IP80, start 2012-03-01

Martin, GM6VXB, will be on Foula island, IP80XD, for work setting up
some microwavelinks. Activity will be mostly in evening hours as
meteorrates are quite low in the morning hours this time of year.
He will call CQ at random times and might be on the ON4KST-chat.
Activity times uncertain and not frequent. Martin will leave Foula
on March 5th.

SOURCE: Martin, GM6VXB, direct to MMMonVHF and ON4KST-chat.

** DXCC: 4U1ITU; square JN36BF; start 2012-03-23

After both C37MS and C56EME did win the trophy MMM expedition of the
year 2011 section MS and
EME, Chris and Rene where thinking to celebrate this by doing
something back for all those voters.

We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter from the ITU building in Geneva as
4U1ITU.
4U1ITU counts as a separate entity for the DXCC award and has never

been activated in WSJT.

We will be there from March 23rd till March 25th 2012, so only 3 days!
Don't miss it.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)
If all ok we will have a small 6 meter and 70cm setup with us too.

We will be on N0UK for last minute freq change.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

73 Chris PA2CHR, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L

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SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

Hello OM,
everything is ready for the J5 Guinea-Bissau DXpedition.
We finally received all the permits from the authorities in Bissau.
The calls J52EME for V-UHF and J52HF for HF are confirmed.
Two groups will operate simultaneously, with preference to the most
difficult communications, ie EME.
After much work we can announce that we'll be active on:
144 MHz with 2x8 xpol, preamplifier gift of WA2ODO, amplifier ITB
Colibrï¿½ 1kw.
432 MHz with 2 homemade LFA antennas 18 elements, yet to be found
preamplifier, amplifier ITB Colibrï¿½ 600w.
50 MHz, homemade LFA antenna 5 elements, amplifier ACOM 1000, homebuild
preamp MGF1302.
In the beginning was our intention to just operate 2m EME, but we have
received many requests for both 70cm and 6m, so we hope to please everyone.
In the first few days we'll be active on 144 MHz EME and HF, with some
jump on 6m Supertropo and ES. Then we'll pass on 430 and 50 MHz. We'll
try to satisfy everyone.
Just on arriving a group will start to create an internet connection
for the hospital, so we can use it too.
Frequencies:
144,130, 432.900 and 50.200. We'll call always in the even period.
Thanks for the help that you'll can give to our humanitarian/ham-radio
expedition.
Renato I3EJ we'll keep you informed during the DXpedition on our site:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm

and email questions to: veronadxteam@ari.verona.it

See you soon from J5 !
73 de I3LDP VeronaDXteam.

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SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

** DXCC: EY; square MM48; start 2012-04-27

From April 27 untill April 29, Frank, DL8YHR, and Rene, PE1L, will be
active from Tadzjikistan via EME. Callsign not known yet. Locator will
be MM48JN near the city of Dushanbe and Dushanbe airport.
Frequencies: 144.134 and 432.090, EY will TX always first.
They will be on N0UK logger. They are only 2.5 moonpasses QRV so do not
miss them. Check the logger for last minute changes in frequency.
More info on:
http://www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme

SOURCE: Frank, DL8YHR and Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME
with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire
(PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near
Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the
weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit
insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.

We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a
update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We
have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC IS; squares JN40, JN41, JM48, JM49; start 2012-06-12

Patrick, ON7ARQ will be QRV from Sardinia from June 12th untill June 26th.
During the contest on June 16th/17th he will be signing IM0/ON7ARQ (from
the Island Isola di San Pietro?)

SOURCE: Patrick, ON7ARQ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA; square KQ50; start 2012-08-11

Only 3 Squares remaining on a visit of the OH8K Team in the northern area -
KQ50 will be one and will be tried to activate in August 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to be qrv from KQ50
during 11-16. August 2012 as LA/OH6ZZ on 2m FSK/EME. QRG and more details
will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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244. [DXNL] DXNL 1769 (Feb 29, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 21:15:55 UTC
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3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND (update)
The start of the 3C0E DXpedition to Annobon Island (AF-039, Pagalu) is delayed until Mar 2 due to transportation problems. Instead of that Elmo,EA5BYP, and Javier,EA5KM, are handing out QSOs as 3C6A from Bioko Island (AF-010, Fernando Poo) to as many DXers until then. The DXpedition was planned until Mar 11 originally, nothing is known about a possible extension. Activities take place in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m. See also: http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e

5H, TANZANIA
Maurizio,IK2GZU, works in the new hospital and orphanage at the Ilembula mission in Tanzania from Mar 4 until Apr 4. He will be active as 5H3MB with a FT 100 and the TS 850 of the mission using a 3-element tribander (beaming towards Europe), vertical and dipole during his spare time. The mission is situated 1500m above sea level about 800 km southwest of Dar es Salaam. QSL via homecall, LoTW after his return. See also: http://www.buffoli-pm.it

6Y, JAMAICA, NA-097
Allen,N2KW, plans to show up as 6Y0A from Mar 5-23. However, fishing is equally important to him as amateur radio is. Allen has announced to take part in the Commonwealth Contest (Mar 10/11) seriously but prefers to work in CW outside of the contest. He tries to work especially those areas that are difficult to work from the Caribbean. Allen will upload the log also to the LoTW. Unfortunately paper QSLs are available only direct via his QSL manager Kappy,WA4WTG. Kappy is collecting stamps...

8P, BARBADOS, NA-021
Thomas,W2SC, will join the ARRL DX SSB Contest (Mar 3/4) as 8P5A. QSL via NN1N, LoTW.

9G, GHANA
Rob,PA3DEW, and Vincent,PA3FQX, will be in Ghana again from Mar 1-20

and plan to be QRV as 9G1AA from the Dormaa hospital. QSL via PA3ERA.
See also: http://www.dagoe.com

9N, NEPAL
Toshi,JA8BMK, is active as 9N7FOX working holiday style in CW, SSB and
RTTY on 10m-80m between Feb 29 and Mar 9. QSL via JA8UWT.

9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
On January 27 the first license examination took place at the clubhouse
of the "Amateur Radio Association of the Congo" (ARAC) in Kinshasa.
With the assistance of Mr. Henri and support from the distance by
Henk,ON4AHF; Pascal,9Q1PM, has prepared the candidates so excellent
that all 21 examinees passed the exam with flying colors (5x 100%)!
The exam was taken by Mr. Mpatamana from the "Ministere des Nouvelles
Technologies de Postes Communication" under supervision of Pascal,
ON4CFC. The club has big plans and wants to show up on the air as 9Q0AR
regularly now. Congratulations on passing the license exam, welcome to
the global community of radio amateurs and enjoy our common hobby!
http://www.iaru-r1.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&i
d=1
:amateur-radio-exams-in-dr-congo&catidE:stars&Itemid=

C5, GAMBIA
Willy,ON4AVT, is signing C5AVT from the vicinity of Banjul in PSK
mainly on 15m until Mar 20. His equipment includes a FT-817 and a
Buddipole. QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.on4avt.be

C6, BAHAMAS
The Yankee Clipper Contest Club members Tom,N1GN, Bill,NE1B, Mike,N1IW,
and Karney,W2AFC, will join the ARRL DX SSB Contest as multi/single
signing C6ANM from Nassau (Gambier Village) on New Providence Island
(NA-001, WLOTA 1115, WW Loc FL15GB). QSL via LoTW or direct via WA2IYO.

George,K4IIO/GM0IIO, will be QRV as C6AZZ working in CW (only little
SSB) on 160m-6m from Mar 1-8. He plans to join the ARRL DX SSB Contest.
QSL via K4IIO, unfortunately only direct.

Steve,C6A/W2ML, is working holiday style in CW, SSB and PSK-31 on all
bands until Mar 5 including the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via homecall.

CT3, MADEIRA, AF-014
Adam,DJ0IF, and Mek,SP7VC, plan to be active as CR3L from Santana on
Madeira (AF-014) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via DJ6QT.
Listen for CT9/homecalls before and after the contest from Feb 29 until
Mar 7. QSLs via homecall. See also: http://www.cq3l.de

FG, GUADELOUPE, NA-102
Michel,F6GWV, and Gildas,F6HMQ, chose Guadeloupe (NA-102, DIFO FG-001,
WLOTA 0644, Loc FK96) as their destination. Listen for TO11A from
Mar 2-16. 50 MHz operation and participation in the ARRL DX SSB Contest
are planned as well. QSL via F6HMQ.

FM, MARTINIQUE, NA-107
Albert,F5VHJ, plans to join the ARRL DX SSB Contest as TO5A.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, NA-096
The Loma Del Toro Contest Group members Tino,HI3CC, Ezequiel,HI3EPR,
Edwin,HI3K, Franky,HI3TT, and John,KL7JR, will take part in the
ARRL DX SSB Contest signing HI3K from Puerto Plata (NA-096/WLOTA 2974).
QSLs only direct via KB2MS. See also: http://www.lomadeltoro.com

HR, HONDURAS
After working from Guatemala (see below) Andrei,NC2N (ex NP3D), plans
to become QRV in holiday style signing HR5/NC2N with low power in
CW/RTTY/SSB on 10m-80m from Mar 9-12.
QSLs unfortunately only direct via W3HNK or via RW6HS, LoTW.

J3, GRENADA, NA-024
Harry,AC8G, announced to show up again as J37K from Mar 1-5. First task
after his arrival will be to repair the yagi. On Mar 1/2 he wants to
work especially stations outside of W/VE and will then join the
upcoming ARRL DX SSB Contest in the SOHP category.
QSLs via homecall (W with SASE), LoTW.

JA, JAPAN, AS-007
The special event station 8N1MOMO will be QRV between Mar 1 and Apr 5
to celebrate the 36th Koga-City (JCC 1404) Momo (or peach blossom)
festival and the 19th fire balloon contest. Koga is situated in the
prefecture Ibaraki on Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376). QSL via bureau.

JX, JAN MAYEN, EU-022
Recently it was reported that only licensed staff of the Olonkin base
will get license for JX. Starting in March Svein,LA9JKA, is going
to work on Jan Mayen for one year and plans to become active as JX9JKA.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct, no eQSL.

KH0, NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Masayoshi,AE6YW/JI1DSO, plans to hit the airwaves as AH0/AE6YW from
Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, Loc QK25uf) working on 80m-6m
and via satellite between Feb 29 and Mar 6. QSL via JA6GMC.

KH2, GUAM, OC-026
Hisashi,JF2SKV, plans to take part in the upcoming ARRL DX SSB Contest
signing NH0S/KH2 in the SOAB HP category. QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.myhamshack.com/NH0S

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Yuri,N2TTA, joins the ARRL DX SSB Contest as KP2MM from Christiansted
on St. Croix Island (NA-106, USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477).
QSL via LoTW or direct via homecall. See: http://www.n2tta.info

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
Fred,PA0FAW, will activate the special event station PA100NOM from
Mar 1-28 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Open Air
Museum in Arnhem. QSL via PA0FAW.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Wojciech,SP9PT, Bogdan,SP2EBG, YL Gala,SP2GKS, Jurek,SP3GEM,
Czeslaw,SP3HLM, and Jozef,SP9-31029, are planning a DXpedition to
Sint Maarten (NA-105) as PJ7PT. They will be QRV in CW/SSB/RTTY on
160m-6m from Mar 5-18. QSL via SP9PT, LoTW. See: http://www.pj7pt.com
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Thomas,PJ7/AA9A, will be active from the same island in SSB/CW on
40m-10m from Mar 3-17. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

TI, COSTA RICA
Juan Carlos,TI2JCY, Carlos,TI2KAC, Mauricio,TI4ZM, Bob,W4BW, Lex,W4XO,
Eddie,K4UN, and Keith,W4KTR, will show up as TI8M from Pajaros in the
ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via TI2KAC, LoTW.
They will use their own calls before and after the contest.

Kyle,WA4PGM, Roy,WK4Y, Richard,AJ3G, and Julius,N2WN, will sign TI5N
in the ARRL DX SSB Contest. QSL via W3HNK, unfortunately only direct.

TG, GUATEMALA
Andrei,NC2N (ex NP3D), plans to show up as TG7/NC2N from Mar 3-8 incl.
the ARRL SSB DX Contest. QSLs only direct via W3HNK or via RW6HS, LoTW.

V2, ANTIGUA, NA-100
Babs,DL7AFS, and Lot,DJ7ZG, will be active as V21FS and V21ZG from the
Villa Sundowners near Pottery Village on Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118,
Loc FK97CC) from Mar 5-31. Listen for them in RTTY, PSK and SSB on
6m-15m, V21ZG will focus on JA and QRP stations. QSLs via DL7AFS.
See also: http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS, OC-028
Jim,K4FW, is working as Launch Panel Operator (LPO) at the Orbital
Sciences Corporation on Kwajalein Island (OC-028) in March. He plans
to hit the airwaves from the Kwajalein clubstation (V73AX) signing
either V73FW or V7/K4FW in SSB. QSL via K4FW.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Kurt,W6PH, and Tim,N6WIN, will be QRV as VP9/W6PH from Hamilton Parish
on Bermuda (NA-005) in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (MS/LP).
QSL via W6PH, unfortunately only direct.

W, USA
Peter,VE3IKV, plans to become active in holiday style signing W4/VA3RA
from St. Simons Island (NA-058/USi GA003S/WLOTA 4115/Glynn County) on
Mar 3/4 and after that from Key West (NA-062/USi FL040S/Monroe County)
from Mar 5-17. You can find him working in CW only on the usual IOTA
frequencies on 80m-10m. QSL via homecall.

YN, NICARAGUA
Jeff,N6GQ, wants to join the ARRL SSB Contest as YN2AA from Grenada in
Nicaragua (Loc EK71au) in the SOAB HP category. Jeff will be QRV also
on 160m-6m before and after the contest. QSL via LoTW.

ZD7, ST HELENA ISLAND, AF-022
Nigel,G3TXF, was active as ZD8XF from Ascension Island on Feb 24/25.

He is now working as ZD7XF from St. Helena (AF-022) in CW on 160m/80m
between Feb 29 and Mar 13. He also plans to join the Commonwealth
Contest (BERU) on Mar 10/11. QSLs via homecall, LoTW, e-mail request.
http://www.g3txf.com/QSL-Office/QSL-Off.html
http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/ZD8-ZD7-Feb-12/ZD8-ZD7.html

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS, NA-016
John,AD8J, wants to hit the airwaves in CW and SSB on 20m-10m signing
ZF2AG/ZF8 from Little Cayman (NA-016) from Mar 1-10.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

PIRATES: John,ZS1LF/ZD9GI, is not working in CW. If you have logged ZD9GI
in CW on 40m you have worked a pirate. Momentarily there is no station
active on Gough Island.

The callsign YI1IRQ is completely made up and QSL cards are returned.

SILENT KEY: A big DXer is forever gone. After a serious illness our friend
Emil,DJ4PI, put away the microphone on Feb 25 at the age of 78. He was
a well known DXer and very active especially on the lowbands until the
very end. Emil was a member of numerous clubs such as the ARRL, SDXG,
GDXF, BCC and the DIG. In addition to many top diplomas as 5BDXCC,
5BWAZ and WAE-1 his call is listed on the DXCC Honor Roll at #1. Many
HAMs will miss his "Papa Italy" in the pile-ups. Emil was licensed in
1958, very active in his local club, always helpful and technically up
to date. Amateur radio was part of his life and Ham-Spirit his passion.
We will keep our friend Emil always in our memory. (Michael, DF3IS)

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 3/4 ARRL International DX Contest
Mar 3 Open Ukraine RTTY Championship (part 1 and 2)
Mar 4 Open Ukraine RTTY Championship (part 3)
Mar 4 DARC 10m Digital Contest
Mar 6 YL CW Party

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-118, 9K, Kuwait group: Failaka Island will be activated by 9K2F from
Mar 7-12. QSL via 9K2HN (bureau/direct/LoTW).

EU-024, IS0, Sardinia Island: The 6th meeting of the "Italian Navy Coastal
Radio stations" takes place from Mar 3-18. For this reason the special
event station II0IDP will be activated on HF by two teams (led by
Gianni,IS0IGV, and Patrizio,IS0FQK) from Cagliari (WLOTA 1608).
QSL via IS0IGV (bureau/direct). See: http://www.assoradiomarinai.it

EU-041, IS0, Maddalena archipelago: Another activity during the 6th meeting
of the Italian navy stations is the special event station II0ICH from
Maddalena Island (WLOTA 1632). The team manager is IS0JMA.
QSL via IM0QMA (bureau/direct). See: http://www.assoradiomarinai.it

SA-030, CX, San Jose/Montevideo/Canelones department group: The team of CV5A
conducts their next DXpedition to Flores Island (WLOTA 0528/Loc GF25AB)
in March. More details can be found at: http://www.radiogruposur.com
QSLs only direct via CX2ABC.

Lighthouse activities

3W4JK LH 2523 Mar 7�12
6Y5A LH 0214 Mar 5�23
8P5A LH 0999 Mar 3�4
C6AZZ LH 0527 Mar 1�8
HI3K LH 2974 Mar 3�4
J37K LH 0718 Mar 1�5
KP2MM LH 2477 Mar 3�4
NH0S/KH2 LH 0064 Mar 3�4
PJ7PT LH 0711 Mar 5�18
PJ7/AA9A LH 0711 Mar 3�17
TO5A LH 1041 Mar 3�4
TO11A LH 0644 Mar 2�16
V21ZG LH 1118 Mar 5�31
ZF2AG/ZF8 LH 1490 Mar 1�10

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Resident 3B8FA 1765
22Feb-11Mar 3C6A.. 1766/1767/1769 *
21Feb-29Feb 3DA0PW 1767
Unknown 3W7W 1768
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
Unknown 4W0VB 1763
Unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
04Mar-04Apr 5H3MB 1769 *
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674

24Feb-07Mar 6V7T.. 1768
05Mar-23Mar 6Y0A 1769 *
31Mar 8N1JARL.. 1762
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
01Mar-05Apr 8N1MOMO 1769 *
-31Mar 8J1YMS 1764
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757
03Mar/04Mar 8P5A 1769 *
23Feb-08Mar 8P9CI.. 1768
01Mar-20Mar 9G1AA 1769 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
Long term 9N1FE 1740

29Feb-09Mar 9N7FOX 1769 *
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

07Mar-24Mar A35YZ 1769 *
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
29Feb-06Mar AH0/AE6YW 1769 *
Unknown P40/AI2N.. 1768
27Feb-02Mar C5LT 1768
05Mar C6A/W2ML 1769 *
03Mar/04Mar C6ANM 1769 *
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
-Mar CE9VPM 1752
27Feb-15Mar C56XA 1768
-20Mar C5AVT 1769 *
01Mar-08Mar C6AZZ 1769 *
29Feb-07Mar CR3L.. 1769 *

-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr D2SG 1748
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763
-Mar EA1CYK/p 1759
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
-29Feb EM80UKO.. 1767
09Feb-13Mar FG/F6ITD 1766
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
Unknown FK/9A4DU 1763
-Jul FR8NE 1710

-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Unknown HA00CGCDH 1762
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
03Mar/04Mar HI3K 1769 *
22Feb-29Feb HI7/F4GEJ.. 1768
16Jan-26Mar HK3JCL 1762
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764
09Mar-12Mar HR5/NC2N 1769 *
-Apr HS0ZIQ 1765
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
03Mar-18Mar II0DP.. 1769 *
-Feb II0MZ 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763

-Apr J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
01Mar-05Mar J37K 1769 *
08Feb-07Mar J38A.. 1766
08Feb-08Mar J38RF 1766
25Feb-13Mar J7Y 1768
15Feb-14Mar J88DR 1767
-15Apr JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
Mar -Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769 *
25Feb-10Mar KG4ss 1765
25Feb-03Mar KG4OS 1765
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741

-29Feb LY16W 1767
03Mar/04Mar NH0S/KH2 1769 *
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1749
-Mar OA4/DL1NL 1768
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-Feb OR4TN 1754
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar P29FR 1742
01Mar-28Mar PA100NOM 1769 *
21Jan-17Mar PJ2/AA9A.. 1763
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
03Mar-17Mar PJ7/AA9A 1769 *
05Mar-18Mar PJ7PT 1769 *
-Mar RI1ANA 1762
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

Unknown SN2012WW.. 1763
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
Unknown SX1912 1763
-Apr T6BP 1746
-13Jun T6JM 1764
Feb T6JP 1768
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
26Feb-02Mar T88XG.. 1768
03Mar-08Mar TG7/NC2N 1769 *
07Feb-27Mar TG8/W0OR 1767
03Mar/04Mar TI8M 1769 *
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-26Feb TM8AAW 1768

-Jul TN9SN 1755
02Mar-16Mar TO11A 1769 *
03Mar/04Mar TO5A 1769 *
NOW TR0A/p 1760

05Mar-31Mar V21FS.. 1769 *
Feb V25DH 1765
26Feb-15Mar V31SU 1768
27Feb-11Mar V31YK 1768
08Feb-28Mar V47JA.. 1766
Resident V63YWR 1765
Mar V73FW.. 1769 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
NOW VK0TH 1748/1763/1764
-Mar VK3HJ 1768
27Feb-10Mar VP2MSN.. 1768
Unknown VP8DFR 1764
-Feb VP8DMH 1757
03Mar/04Mar VP9/W6PH 1769 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
-Mar VU3BPZ.. 1762

03Mar-17Mar W4/VA3RA 1769 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-01Apr XE3/K5ENS 1767
Unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763
15Feb-15Mar XU7DLH 1768
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
Unknown XW3DT 1766
-06Mar YN2AA 1769 *
-Apr ZS7KX 1740/1749
29Feb-13Mar ZD7XF 1769 *
01Mar-10Mar ZF2AG/ZF8 1769 *
-Feb ZY78AA.. 1765

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

4K6/JR0HYT via JR0HYT (B)
5H3MB via IK2GZU (B), (L)
6Y0A via WA4WTG (d), (L)
8N1MOMO via (B)
8P5A via NN1N (B), (L)
9K51NLD via 9K2RA (B)
9A207DCK/p via 9A7DCK (B)
9G1AA via PA3ERA (B)
9N7FOX via JA8UWT (B)
A35YZ via DL7DF (B)
A61K via EA7FTR

AH0/AE6YW via JA6GMC (B)
C5AVT via ON4AVT (B)
C6A/W2ML via W2ML (B)
C6ANM via (L), WA2IYO (d)
C6AZZ via K4IIO (d)
CR2A via OH2BH (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DJ0IF via DJ0IF (B)
CT9/SP7VC via SP7VC (B)
CU5AQ via EA5KB (B)
CW5Z via CX2ABC (B)
CX/LU1JHF via LU1JHF
CX/LU7JMS via LU7JMS
DM50UEA sends automatically
DR7B via DL2AGB
EA8AY via W2GR (d) (*)
ED5M via EA5FL (B)
EE8X via W2GR (d) (*)
EF8USA via W2GR (d) (*)
EF8X via W2GR (d) (*)
EG1EDB via EA1HNP (B), eQSL
FS/K4UP via W4LW
EG2MDZ via EG2MCK
EG7DCA via EA7URS (B)
FS/K4UP via W4LW
GB4WWR via (B)
II3ANT via IZ3DBA (B)
HI3K via KB2MS (d)
HR5/F2JD via W3HNK (d), RW6HS (d)
I0ICH via IM0QMA
II0DP via IS0IGV (B)
II3CV via IK3HHX (B)
IQ5VZ via I5DOF (B), eQSL
J37K via AC8G (B), W (d), (L)
J8/JA7SGV via JA7SGV
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d)
LN8W via LA9VDA (B)
LT5X via WD9EWK (B)
NH0S/KH2 via JF2SKV (B)
OS0S via ON4ZD (B), (L)
PA100NOM via PA0FAW (B)
PA6NB via PA7JWC (B), (L)
PI4VPO via PA2CNR (B)
PJ2T via W3HNK (L), (d)
PJ4/NK1Z via NK1Z (B)
PI4VPO via PA2CNR
PJ4/NK1Z via NK1Z
PJ7/AA9A via AA9A
PJ7PT via SP9PT (B), (L)
PS2T via K3IRV (B)

SN51LTL via SQ5LTL (B), (L), eQSL
TC8A via TA2FE
TI5/JT1CO via JT1CO (B)
TG7/NC2N via W3HNK, (d) RW6HS (d), (L)
TG9/K9NW via K9NW (B)
TI5/JT1CO via JT1CO (B)
TI8M via TI2KAC (B), (L)
TM55M via F0ESV
TM57M via F-11734 (B)
TM6GGR via F4SGU (B)
TM6M via F4DXW (B)
TO11A via F6HMQ (B)
TO5A via F5VHJ (B), (L)
V21FS via DL7AFS (B)
V21ZG via DL7AFS (B)
V5/DC8QT via DC8QT (B)
ZX2B via PY2MNL (B)
V7/K4FW via K4FW (B)
V73FW via K4FW (B)
VK7/OZ7BQ via OZ7BQ
VP9/W6PH via W6PH (d)
W4/VA3RA via VE3IKV (B)
YI1RZ via IK2DUW (B)
YM7KA via TA7KA
YN2AA via (L)
YP2GEO via YO2KAR
YV4AJ/6 via YY6CHE
ZD7XF via G3TXF (B), (L)
ZD8XF via G3TXF (B), (L)
ZF2AG/ZF8 via AD8J (B), (L)
ZW7REF via PR7ZAJ (B)
ZX2B via PY2MNL (B)
ZY7FFF via PS7KC (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived bureau: BD7LHY (BA7MY), 9U1KI (DH2KI), 5B/KI0BP (UA6MF),
CE3BFZ, 3C9B (EA7FTR), BG7LHY (BA7MY), EA6NZ

QSLs arrived LoTW: 4K6DI, P40J, PJ2/WI9WI, XV3AA

Magic Band in Senegal

The "Regulatory Agency for Telecommunications and Posts" (ARTP) in Senegal
allocated the frequency range 50-51 MHz primarily to amateur radio.
However, prior to commencing operation the new "ITU Radio Regulations"
have to come into effect.

Prefix allocation for South Sudan

The "International Telecommunication Union" (ITU) has allocated the prefix
block Z8A-Z8Z to the new Republic South Sudan.

New licenses in Nepal (9N)

Nine amateur radio licenses were issued to local HAMs:
9N1GJ (Ganesh K. Gimi), 9N1KK (Pravin Joshi), 9N1KS (Khagda Sen Oli),
9N1MM (Ms. Kalpana Pokharel; the old call of Father Moran (SK)),
9N1NS (Ms. Nisha Shrestha), 9N1NU (Ms. Niva Upretee),
9N1SP (Sanjeev Pandey), 9N1SS (Surya N. Shrestha), 9N1TN (Tara B. Neupane).
The callsign 9N1II was not issued yet.

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

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245. eHam.net News for Wednesday 29 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-02-29 23:32:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407c1cff51304ba22c0b3@google.com>
Source record: 3512
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Arlington Seeks Ham Radio Operators:

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 04:51 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27799

Arlington -- In the town's continuing efforts to be prepared for all emergencies, the Arlington Emergency Management Agency is currently seeking amateur radio operators (ham radio) who would be willing to assist the town during an emergency.

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AITI Holds Amateur Radio Direction Finding Competition:

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 04:50 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27798

The Authority for Info-communications Technology Industry of Brunei Darussalam (AITI) recently organised an ¡®Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) Competition 2012¡ä at Sungai Basong Recreational Park in Tutong District. Two local amateur radio clubs ¨C the Brunei Darussalam Amateur Radio Association (BDARA) and Persatuan Gemilang Daerah Tutong ¨C jointly supported this event. The ARDF competition allowed participants to compete and show their skills in amateur radio direction finding. It required the skills of orienteering and navigating of radio direction finding in locating hidden transmitters called ¡®beacons¡¯ or ¡®foxes¡¯ within an area using the bearings of the transmitted signal in pedestrian mode. A total of 10 teams participated in the ARDF and every team consisted of three members with at least one person in the team holding a valid amateur radio station licence. The ARDF competition started at 7.45am and lasted for two hours. During the competition, each team also displayed their capabilities in the design of their homemade directional antennas.

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NASA: Spike in Sun's Activity Produces Five Eruptions in 2 Days:

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 04:48 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27797

The Sun has been very active in the last week. NASA scientists say our star flared up producing five major eruptions in two days that generated spectacular northern lights displays over the weekend. NASA scientists say the solar flares which burst from nearly all areas of the Sun occurred between February 23 and 24, and came from "top, bottom, left and right

sides of the solar disk." According to NASA, four of the five flares occurred within a time-span of 24 hours.

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Former RAC President Earle Smith, VE6NM (SK):

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 11:08 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27796

Earle Smith, VE6NM, of Grand Prairie, Alberta -- who served as President of the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) from 2004-2007 -- passed away Friday, February 24. He was 81. An active radio amateur since 1948, first licensed as VE1SA, Smith enjoyed meeting amateurs from all over Canada and the world.

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ARRL Publishes New Guidelines for 60 Meters:

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 11:09 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27795

Thanks to the FCC Report and Order issued November 18, 2011, amateurs will enjoy a number of new privileges on the 60 meter band beginning March 5, including a boost in effective radiated power from 50 to 100 W, as well as the ability to use CW and certain digital modes.

246. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-01 07:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1330585201@panix.com>
Source record: 3513
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

247. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 1 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-01 07:11:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <001636c929f0e628f204ba292bb2@google.com>
Source record: 3514
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Green Country Hamfest Claremore, OK 03/09 - 03/10

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 11:36 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335758-Green-Country-Hamfest-Claremore-OK-03-09-03-10&goto=newpost

Green Country Hamfest

Claremore, Oklahoma

When:

Friday and Saturday, March 9th & 10th, 2012

Doors open: Fri. 5pm-9pm - Saturday 8am-3pm

Where:

400 Veterans Parkway Claremore Expo Center

Claremore, OK, 74017 Only 30 minutes from Tulsa!

Special Guests - ARRL Larry Wolfgang WR1B, QST Technical Correspondence Editor and QEX Editor

☐ Largest Hamfest in Oklahoma!!

☐ Free Parking!! - Low Cost ON-SITE RV Parking!

☐ Terrific Prizes!! YOU could WIN!

☐ Commercial Vendors - Great Products!

☐ Fantastic Forums - Learn something new!

☐ Flea Market - Great Bargains!

☐ Free Test Table - Check It Before You Buy It!

☐ On-site VE Testing Get or upgrade your license!

Admission is $10.00 per person at the door

Talk-in on: 147.09+ ;)

http://www.greencountryhamfest.org/

Hope to see you there!

N5CEL

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Cave City, KY Hamfest Saturday March 3, 2012

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 08:03 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335725-Cave-City-KY-Hamfest-Saturday-March-3-2012&goto=newpost

Cave City, KY Hamfest Saturday March 3, 2012, 7:30 A.M.

AT THE CAVE CITY CONVENTION CENTER

CAVE CITY, KY

I-65 EXIT 53 HWY. 70 THEN LEFT AT LIGHT ¼ MILE ON LEFT

TALK-IN: 146.34/94 no tone

Flyer: http://www.ky4x.org/wp-content/uploa...Flyer-2012.pdf

The Cave City Hamfest is an annual meeting of amateur radio operators
□HAMS□ hosted by the Mammoth Cave Amateur Radio Club. Hamfests are events
where hams get together to buy, sell, or trade equipment, rag-chew, upgrade
licenses.

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ADMISSION $6 (Under 12 free) & TABLES $8

VE TESTING 9:00 A.M. CST

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LARRY BRUMETT, KN4IV

108 WITHERS DR.

GLASGOW, KY 42141

270-651-2363

lbrumett@glasgow-ky.com

INSIDE VENDORS: Set up Friday 6 to 9 pm & Saturday 6 am.

Outdoor tailgating weather permitting, $10 per space, includes admission.

EXAM QUERIES

CHAPPY RICE, KD4SS

213 TRAPPERS TRAIL

GLASGOW, KY 42141

270-404-1137

kd4ss@arrl.net

Club Web site: http://www.ky4x.org/activities/hamfest/

248. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 1 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-01 11:48:35 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340d7f0bbe0804ba2d09cd@google.com>
Source record: 3515
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Parkside Elementary, Atlanta, GA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gH2B8frJLVI/ariss_event_0203.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with
participants at Parkside Elementary, Atlanta, GA on 02 March

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Bac5jMKHkds/march_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The band improved from the start of the week culminating in another
brilliant weekend

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Special prefixes for Queen's Diamond Jubilee and London 2012 Olympic and
Paralympic Games

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SL2tlXex7YE/uk_special_prefixes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

UK radio amateurs can now obtain their Notice of Variation to allow the use
of the special prefixes for these events

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Successful ARISS amateur radio space contact for Nicola Fornelli School,
Bitonto, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cPT7Vy8Nw4c/ariss_event_success_2402.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, students from 1° Circolo Didattico Nicola Fornelli, Bitonto,
Italy established ARISS contact with NASA astronaut Donald R. Pettit KD5MDT
onboard the International Space Station

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BBC - A lifetime of shortwave

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OVRsr_Tb0w4/bbc_a_lifetime_of_shortwave.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As part of the celebraton of 80 years of international broadcasting the BBC have published an article 'A lifetime of shortwave'

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Raspberry Pi computer now on sale

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pTmpPg_6yoI/raspberry_pi_computer_now_on_sale.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The £22 Model B Raspberry Pi ARM computer board is now available from Farnell or RS Components

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wm5Pc4yqU4Q/march_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Extension of UK 501 kHz to 504 kHz NoV's

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W0fYK5wxmhk/extension_of_uk_501_to_504_khz_novs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Notices of Variation to Amateur Radio Licences for Special Research Permits to operate in the band 501 kHz to 504 kHz have been extended to December 31, 2012

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International Women's Day 10M SSB Contest 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ixMGZ0O9F8g/womens_day_10m_ssb_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Federación de Radio Aficionados de Puerto Rico (FRAPR), will have their first International Women's Day 10 Meter SSB Contest on Saturday at 9am (1300UTC) until 8:59pm (0059 UTC on Sunday)

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How-to: splice wire to NASA standards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tqdjXiQYL3M/how_to_splice_wire_to_nasa_standards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

MAKE Magazine have published an article showing how to splice wire to NASA standards

249. SEXY ACTRESES VIDEOS MOVIES PHOTOS WATCH AND DOWNLOAD

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-01 15:40:03 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5f461ac8-c6a4-4c7f-917a-ca4b0d306e88@k29g2000yqc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3516

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indian bedroom hot
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hardware interview questions 4
http://allinterviewsquestions.blogspot.in/2009/02/hardware-interview-questions.html
SQL Server Interview Questions
http://allinterviewsquestions.blogspot.in/2009/02/sql-server-interview-questions.html

250. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 1 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-01 17:49:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934078f0673c304ba321514@google.com>
Source record: 3517
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Arrl dx contest this weekend

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 07:28 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336050-Arrl-dx-contest-this-weekend&goto=newpost

CW: Third full weekend in February (February 18-19, 2012).

Phone: First full weekend in March March 3-4, 2012).

Contest Period: 48 hours each mode (separate contests).

Starts 0000 UTC Saturday; ends 2359 UTC Sunday.

http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx

SEE YA THERE 73 ;)

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ON100TT

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 03:32 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336022-ON100TT&goto=newpost

UBA section ON4EKO will be on the air with the Special Event Callsign
ON100TT , this during the weekend of April 14 th.

We will do that to commemorate the TITANIC disaster ,exactly ONE HUNDRED
YEARS AGO .

At that very moment Mr. Jack Philips and Mr.MacBride did their very best
to save the life of the passengers by transmitting the emergency call
CQD ,followed by the call SOS , which has been transmitted as emergency for
the first time in history .

Our Clubstation can be worked up from Saturday April 14th at 09:00 UTC
until Sunday April 15th at 18:00 UTC.

During the year 2012,the station will be active several times.

We will use the following frequencies:

-on 2 meters: our Club frequency 145.375MHz.

-on HF bands: CW and SSB.

We hope to work you !

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CASHOTA Monument Month Award - APRIL 2012

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:14 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336016-CASHOTA-Monument-Month-Award-APRIL-2012&goto=newpost

CASHOTA (Castles and Stately Homes on the Air) will be holding its first annual CASHOTA Monument Month in April 2012. This is a chance for people to activate Monuments and for heritage chasers to make contact with participating stations.

This award is open to any interested persons. For more details or to register a station during the Month got to http://www.cashotamonuments.webs.com/, or contact cashota@gmail.com

We hope to hear you all on the air in April

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Attached Images

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International Woman's Day 10M SSB Contest 2012

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 03:21 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335966-International-Woman-s-Day-10M-SSB-Contest-2012&goto=newpost

International Woman's Day 10M SSB Contest 2012

The Federación de Radio Aficionados de Puerto Rico (FRAPR), will have their first International Woman's Day 10 Meter SSB Contest on Saturday at 9am (1300UTC) until 8:59pm (0059 UTC on Sunday). It will be between the frequencies of 28.300 to 28.500 Mhz with maximum output of 100 watts.

The contest is to promote Amateur Radio female operators to participate on the lower bands. For rules and log sheet go to: http://www.frapr.org/2011/concurso_1...jeres_2012.pdf Even thou this is a local contest, there will be a special certificate for those female operators from other countries who contact the Puerto Rican YL's.

To obtain one, please send SASE to: FRAPR RR1 Box 6418, Guayama, PR 00784-9606

Concurso Dia Internacional de la Mujer 2012 de 10 Metros SSB

La Federación de Radio Aficionados de Puerto Rico (FRAPR), llevará a cabo el primer concurso con motivo del Día IInternacional de la Mujer de 10 metros el sábado 10 de marzo a las 9am (1300UTC) hasta las 8:59pm (0059 UTC el domingo). Será entre la frecuencias de 28.300 a 28.500 Mhz, con un

máximo de 100 watts.

El mismo es para promover la participación de las mujeres radioaficionados en las bandas bajas Para reglas y página de log ir a: http://www.frapr.org/2011/concurso_1...jeres_2012.pdf Aunque es un concurso local, Habra un certificado especial para las radioaficionadas del extranjero quienes hagan contactos con las YL's locales.

Para obtener el mismo favor de enviar un SASE a: FRAPR RR1 ZBox 6418, Guayama, PR 00784-9606

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March 8, 2012 - YL Day - AGB YL BELARUS 2012 Special Award

Posted: 28 Feb 2012 08:47 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335732-March-8-2012-YL-Day-AGB-YL-BELARUS-2012-Special-Award&goto=newpost

Every year during March 8th, AGB-club create Special Award - AGB YL BELARUS 2012 in this year - for YL-operators contacts in the YL-Day.

http://www.ev5agb.com/award/award_yl_belarus-2012_e.htm

Specially for YL (personal callsigns, operators of collective stations having SWL) and also for the Men-operators, the given Memorable Award will stand out free of charge and in format PDF.

For YL-AGB-members and YL operators of collective stations of club AGB - should be spent not less than 10 QSO.

For YL not being member of AGB club - it is necessary to spend not less than 10 QSO on air in Day 8 Martha and to have not less than 1 QSO with YL-BBELARUS

For Men it is necessary to spend not less than 3 QSO with YL-BBELARUS.

To offset goes QSO and in Contests, spent on March, 8th, and usual daily communications, but only on March, 8th, 2012 - 0000-2400 UTC.

I will repeat that It only for Memorable Diploma AGB-YL-BELARUS-2012 which will have a little excellent design from Base Diploma AGB-YL-BELARUS

Reports and demands (GCR-list) to send or by e-mail eu1eu@mail.ru (in case of problems use eu1euster@gmail.com) or on the mailing address Igor Getman EU1EU, p.o. 143, Minsk-5, 220005 Belarus

The Award will be dispatched after gathering of all demands, reports, logs and pictures-photos of YL-Belarus (3 month is given). The request to specify yours email for transfer of the Diploma to you.

agb-yl-belarus-2011_w200.jpg

Approximate list YL-BELARUS of operators and SWLs
http://www.ev5agb.com/award/award_yl_belarus-2012_e.htm

Also You can obtain our Basic award of "YL BELARUS"

http://ev5agb.com/award/award_yl_bel_e.htm

Regards,

Igor EU1EU OK8EU DIG#5021 AGB#001 KDR#011 BSCC#094 AGCW#2659

UCWC#808 GQRPC#10194 RCC#190 SKCC# SRARS#59 GTC# CTC# HTC# Alfamira#

mailto:eu1eu@mail.ru

eu1euster@gmail.com

President of AGB Club - Activity Group of Belarus

http://www.ev5agb.com/inde4.php = RUS

http://www.ev5agb.com/ = ENG

Attached Images

agb-yl-belarus-2011_w200.jpg
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251. The ARRL Letter for March 1, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-01 20:20:01 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120301195739.B61CA22387@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3518
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL PUBLISHES NEW GUIDELINES FOR 60 METERS

Thanks to the FCC's Report and Order
<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-releases-new-rules-for-60-meters> issued
November 18, 2011, radio amateurs will enjoy a number of new privileges
on the 60 meter band, beginning at midnight (EST) March 5. These new
privileges include a boost in effective radiated power from 50 to 100
W, as well as the ability to use CW and certain digital modes.

Late last year, the ARRL HF Band Planning Committee surveyed 60
meter operators to gather opinions about how to best use the new
privileges. On the subject of creating a specific band plan, the survey
results indicated little consensus beyond the fact that 5403.5 kHz
should retain its status as a de facto "DX channel." On the other hand,
survey respondents made a number of suggestions for general operating
practices.
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Based on the survey results and subsequent research, the committee declined to propose a specific band plan for 60 meters at this time. Instead, the committee created a "Recommended Practices" document (click here <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Regulatory/Recommended_Practices_for_60_Meters%20-%20Version%206_4.pdf> for the document). The 60 meter pages <http://www.arrl.org/60-meter-faq> on the ARRL website have been updated to reflect the changes brought about by the Report and Order.

The April issue of QST will also include an article by ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, offering a detailed discussion of the new 60 meter privileges and recommended operating practices.

==> + W1AW: W1AW VIDEO TOUR AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

In case you missed the live web tour of W1AW <http://www.arrl.org/news/save-the-date-take-a-virtual-tour-of-w1aw-on-february-12>, the Hiram Percy Maxim Station at ARRL Headquarters, you can now watch the 18 minute video on the ARRL website. On February 12, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, led Emmy Award-winning meteorologist Geoff Fox, K1GF, on a tour of the famed station. Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of the New Day Group <http://www.newdayhd.com/> followed Carcia as he led Fox and viewers through the station, recording it for viewers to watch.

"We wanted viewers of this live Internet tour to feel as if they are actually at W1AW," Carcia explained. "If you came to W1AW in person, you would see the same things that we showed on the virtual tour: The three operating stations, the transmitter racks that we use to send out our bulletins and use for the code practice transmission, the control console and 'Old Betsy <http://www.arrl.org/images/view/web_008.jpg>,' Hiram Percy Maxim's personal spark gap transmitter."

You can view the video of the tour <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw> on the ARRL website (scroll to the bottom of the page).

==> + DXCC NEWS: MALYJ VYSOTSKIJ ISLAND ADDED TO DXCC DELETED ENTITIES LIST

According to the Finnish Ministry of Transportation and Communication, the Saimaa Canal Treaty between Finland and Russia has been finalized by relevant Finnish and Russian authorities through ratification. Malyj Vysotskij Island (MVI), R1M, is no longer included in the Treaty. Thus, MVI was deleted from the DXCC List as of February 17, 2012, and added to the DXCC Deleted Entities List. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/malyj-vysotskij-island-added-to-dxcc-deleted-entities-list>.

==> +ARRL ANNUAL AWARDS: NOMINATIONS FOR ARRL AWARDS NOW OPEN

Each year, the ARRL Board of Directors has the opportunity to select recipients for a number of awards in various categories that honor Amateur Radio operators. The nomination period is now open for the ARRL

awards that are designed to recognize educational and technological pursuits in Amateur Radio, as well as an award to honor a young Amateur Radio operator. ARRL members can nominate hams for the Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award, the Hiram Percy Maxim Award, the ARRL Microwave Development Award, the ARRL Technical Service Award, the ARRL Technical Innovation Award and the Knight Distinguished Service Award. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nominations-for-arrl-awards-now-open-1>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of February -- takes a look the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference, a new law that has a provision for an Amateur Radio study, new rules for 60 meters, happenings at W1AW, a new movie that features Amateur Radio, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-43>.

==> + W1AW: MARCH QUALIFYING RUNS

The W1AW and West Coast Qualifying Runs were inadvertently left out of the March 2012 issue of QST. Here is the missing information:

W1AW Qualifying Runs are 10 PM EST Friday, March 9 (0300 UTC March 10) (10-40 WPM) and 7 PM EDT (2300 UTC) Tuesday, March 20. The West Coast Qualifying Run will be transmitted by station K6KPH on 3581.5, 7047.5, 14047.5, 18097.5 and 21067.5 kHz at 2 PM PDT (2200 UTC) Saturday, March 17. Unless indicated otherwise, speeds are from 10-35 WPM. You can find the upcoming schedule here <http://www.arrl.org/qualifying-run-schedule>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The dawn of the great black Sun that shines on me <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OooxwBrIzsA>" Cook, K7RA, reports: In tomorrow's K7RA Solar Update, we'll have a review of recent sunspot number averages. The average daily sunspot number for the month of February 2012 was 50.1, the lowest since January 2011, when it was 32.2. The average daily sunspot number for the three months ending on February 29, 2012 was 83.3, the lowest since the three months ending in September 2011, when it was 79.6. This is a three month moving average, so there is a figure for every month that includes data from the two previous months. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, March 2. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Alarm's Black Sun <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Alarm>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- March 3 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- March 3-4 -- ARRL International DX Contest (SSB)
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>
- March 4 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- March 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint; AGCW YL-CW Party

Next week:

- March 10 -- AGCW QRP Contest
- March 10-11 -- Idaho QSO Party; EA PSK63 Contest
- March 11 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); SKCC Weekend Sprint
- March 11-12 -- Wisconsin QSO Party
- March 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> + SILENT KEY: FORMER RAC PRESIDENT EARLE SMITH, VE6NM (SK)

Earle Smith, VE6NM, of Grand Prairie, Alberta -- who served as President of the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) from 2004-2007 -- passed away Friday, February 24. He was 81. An active radio amateur since 1948, first licensed as VE1SA, Smith enjoyed meeting amateurs from all over Canada and the world. "Earle was well respected by Amateur Radio operators both within Canada and internationally," said current RAC President Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW. "He was a gentleman and friend to all hams and a strong advocate for Amateur Radio and for the Radio Amateurs of Canada. All who knew Earle respected him as a leader, a friend and a force for good in the Amateur Radio community. We will miss him." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-rac-president-earle-smith-ve6nm-sk>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: PHIL SALAS, AD5X , WINS FEBRUARY QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for February is Phil Salas, AD5X , for his article "A Relay-Based Full Break-In TR Switch for Your Vintage System. " Congratulations Phil! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the March issue today.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 3 -- ARRL Santa Clara Valley Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/santa-clara-valley-section-convention-radiofest

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Del Rey Oaks, California; ARRL South Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-
hamfest-2>,
Rosenberg, Texas
- March 3-4 -- ARRL Alabama Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-section-convention-birminghamfest-1>,
Birmingham, Alabama
- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana
-hamfest>,
Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest
-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-t
m>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
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Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine
- April 7 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-1>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett,
Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle,
Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho;
63rd International DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>,
Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radi
o-electronics-expo-1>,
Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe,
Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

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252. eHam.net News for Thursday 1 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-01 23:25:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396a0a3a481604ba36c535@google.com>
Source record: 3519
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Glades Amateur Radio Operators Asked to Participate:

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 05:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27809

CQ, CQ, CQ! To All Licensed Amateur Radio Operators! MOORE HAVEN, FL. -- All licensed Amateur Radio Operators, please be aware that Terri and Austin Moorhouse will hosting as the Net Control Operators for the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) for Glades County under the support and control of the Glades County Emergency Management EOC. The ARES-RACES Network was established to provide emergency communications during civil emergencies such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes or any other civil emergency. All licensed Amateur Radio Operators in or near the Glades County area are invited and encouraged to participate in the ARES-RACES Net test drills held every Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. on the two-meter frequency of 147.300 Hz on the Glades County Repeater W4TEJ 147.300 + 600 PL 100.00 HZ.

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Kevin Baynes, KI4AAD (SK):

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 05:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27808

Family, motorcycles and CB radios went hand in hand for Kevin Baynes. As a child he took notes from a favorite uncle, who taught him how to ride and how to work the radio, things he continued to enjoy as an adult. ."You knew which house on the street was ours," joked Tunya Baynes, his wife of more than 20 years, who lives in Ellenwood. "The one with the big antenna. He loved that CB radio and had a ham (radio) license and everything." Mr. Baynes' love for amateur radio was widely known in his family. Most relatives knew his handle in the amateur radio world was Mr. One-zero-six, but not a soul knew why he picked that sequence of numbers. But there was no mystery to the name he identified with when riding his beloved Kawasaki Ninja ZX-14, and in the motorcycle world. There he was simply known as Philly, a nod to his hometown of Philadelphia. He rode with DD214 Military Riders out of Atlanta, and loved to race at the racetrack, Mrs. Baynes said.

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On the Air:

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 05:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27807

Russ Stover, left, and Evan Sasman rehearse for the radio comedy "Rural Mail Carrier." Stover plays Ham, the HAM radio operator, while Sasman is the writer/producter.

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Richard L. Daniels, NASA Official, W4PUJ (SK):

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 05:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27806

Richard L. Daniels, 79, a senior NASA manager who retired in 1994, died Feb. 14 at his home in Arlington. He died of lung cancer, said his wife, Jacquelyn Daniels. Mr. Daniels joined NASA in 1961 as the first management intern assigned to the Office of Space Flight Programs. He retired as deputy director of information resources management in the division of management systems. His honors included NASA's Exceptional Service Medal. Richard Lester Daniels was born in Cincinnati and graduated in 1956 from the University of Cincinnati. In 1957, he received a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business. Mr. Daniels was a 40-year volunteer with the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation, where he planned and helped build and launch satellites serving thousands of amateur radio operators around the world. For this work, he received NASA's Spaceship Earth Award for community service.

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City to Reassess Rules for Radio Antennas:

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 05:10 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27805

OTTAWA -- The city will take another look at its proposed rules for antennas after amateur radio enthusiasts complained Tuesday that they're too restrictive. The city doesn't officially have control over them -- they're regulated by Industry Canada, but the federal department gives municipalities a say if they want one and Ottawa is working up a formal policy. The rules draw a distinction between commercial antennas, which are proliferating as cellphone companies struggle to keep their networks up to speed, and antennas for personal use, though the policy would restrict both. Among other things, the city policy would oppose antennas in front and side yards, and potentially require public consultations for any antenna more than 15 metres tall. Several amateur radio operators addressed city council's planning committee Tuesday, pointing out that they sometimes put antennas in their front or side yards for better reception but they're often highly unobtrusive. Furthermore, the proposed policy doesn't distinguish between urban front yards and rural front yards, which could be set very far back from any road and be hundreds of feet from the nearest neighbour.

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RFinder for Apple iOS Impending Release:

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 01:38 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27803

By popular demand, we are pleased to announce the impending release of RFinder - The Worldwide Repeater Directory (WWRD) for iOS! We hope to have the iPod/iPhone/iPad version in the App Store by March 7th!

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6V7SIX: 6-Meter Band in Senegal, It's a Go!!

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 01:31 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27802

As of March 1st, 2012, the Saly Amateur Radio
Club station (ADRASEC Senegal) will be
allowed to operate with the callsign 6V7SIX on the band 50-51 MHz. This is a temporary
authorization valid until the new ITU Radio
Regulations (WRC-12) come into force,
normally by the end of 2012.

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BBC: Joy of Shortwave:

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 01:29 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27801

"The BBC World Service - which marks its 80th birthday on Wednesday - was broadcast only on shortwave back in 1932. Today, audiences on FM, digital radio and the internet are growing fast while shortwave is in decline, but for millions it remains a lifeline.

253. [RAC-Bulletin] Resend: [IARU-R2-News 168] Reinaldo Leandro YV5AM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 03:46:44 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F504281.1000600@rac.ca>
Source record: 3520
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

[Editors note: I sent this message on Wednesday, February, 29th but it
was refused by the mail server because the attachment was too large
and it was refused. Here is the message again.]

[IARU-R2-News 168] Reinaldo Leandro YV5AM
2012-02-28

To: IARU Region 2 Member Societies

I would like to share with you this letter that IARU President Tim
Ellam VE6SH sent to IARU Region 2 President Reinaldo Leandro YV5AM
about his contribution to our recent success in Geneva during WRC-12

President Reinaldo Leandro was key player in obtaining a 472 kHz band
and on the inclusion of the Cuban proposal for a possible amateur
radio band in 5 MHz on the agenda for WRC-15.

We congratulate President Leandro and make his success ours in Region 2.

Congratulations Reinaldo!

73

Ram&#65533;n Santoyo V., XE1KK
Secretary - IARU Region 2

Link to PDF message:
<http://www.rac.ca/en/news/stories/2012/February_23_2012_R_Leandro.pdf>

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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254. NZART Headquarters Infoline 246

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 08:56:16 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1DC3B0881FDC4FFF9A82EE02E84F3B17@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3521
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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2 March 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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· WARO turns 50

>From HQ…

Not much news this week, I have been rather busy with post Council meeting minutes and preparing the necessary information to go into Break In, so no time to get up to mischief nor have my usual gripe about something.

Reminder notices for subscriptions have been sent. If you do not wish to renew, I would appreciate if you could let me know, so that I can ensure you will not continue to get reminder invoices.

Having said that NZART and amateur radio in NZ needs all your support, both financially and physically. If there is something that you feel you can specifically help with, such as promoting the hobby either by advertising, or have some other suggestion please let either myself or your local Councillor.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

News from IARU R 2 - Silent Key Earle Smith VE6NM

It is with deep sadness that we have to report the passing today, February 24 2012, of Earle W. Smith, VE6NM. Earle is a former President of Radio Amateurs of Canada and has held numerous positions in RAC and its preceeding organisation. He had many friends all over the world from his involvements in IARU and his frequent travels. He will be sorely missed.

To Barbara and his children, our deepest sympathy. At this time, the
funeral arrangements have not been finalized and will be advised later.

Daniel A. Lamoureux, VE2KA

Director AREA 'A'

IARU Region 2

Solo Aviator arrives in Auckland

Please note, that around 4 pm NZ time a Slovenian aviator mr. Matevz
Lenarcic will be landing in Auckland on his ultralight airplane
Pipistrel Virus 914WS S5-PEZ on his around-the-world flight after
overlying the Pacific in 3 legs . NZART members with interest in flying
can follow him live on http://www.worldgreenflight.com/index.php?id=Please post this notice to attention of NZART members.

73 Jurij, S56FC

jurij.kus@telemach.net

>From the VHF/UHF/SHF Contest Manager

Congratulations to the ZL4AA team.

PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF THE VHF/UHF/SHF DX CONTEST 4th & 5th February
2012

These results are based on claimed points. These may change as log
checking proceeds.

TOTAL SCORES
ZL4AA 3478
ZL3RR 1213
ZL2FAE 592
ZL1SWW 189

THE NEXT CONTEST

The next contest is the Low Band Contest, 50 MHz to 440 MHz, on Saturday
the 14th and Sunday the 15th of April 2012. This is the weekend after
Easter. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday
0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Hibernation Contest, all bands 50 MHz and
up, on Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th of April 2012. This is the
weekend after Queen's Birthday weekend. The operating times are:
Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The Contest Rules are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager
Wellington VHF Group
P.O. Box 12-259
Thorndon
Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

The complete confirmed results will be published on the VHF website: www.vhf.org.nz

NZART Examination Processes & Policy

Council have decided that it is necessary to update the NZART Examination Policy to clarify our internal procedures and also incorporate the recent elaboration by Radio Spectrum Management (RSM) of their policy and expectations. RSM will be re-issuing their publication PIB 46 covering the Radio Operator Certificate and Callsign Rules once NZART have placed the 2012 version of the approved examination database on the NZART web site.

The changes to the examination database for the 2012 version correct the wording of some questions, allow for the recent power increase and replace two questions, one with a clearer less subjective question, and one on packet with a question concerning APRS.

The RSM have re-iterated that they wish to only work with the enduring organisation that represents the Amateur hobby in New Zealand, the NZART.

The RSM have also confirmed that they wish to continue with the current arrangements for the management and delivery of the Amateur examination. These arrangements make NZART responsible for the provision and updating of the currently used 2006 amateur examination question database which is hosted on the NZART website. RSM is currently working with the Training Officer to complete a review of the 2006 amateur examination question database. Once this review is completed the updated 2012 amateur examination question database will be hosted on the NZART website and this will be the only Amateur examination question database to be used for the Amateur examinations in New Zealand and is to continue to be freely available from the NZART website.

The following policy was approved at the Council Face to Face meeting in February.

NZART AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE EXAMINATION SYSTEM

As expected by the Radio Spectrum Management (RSM) Licensing Manager of the Ministry of Economic Development (MED), NZART maintains a publicly accessible and downloadable examination system on the NZART web site.

RSM have registered a number of ARX externally and require them to use the NZART Examination system (reference the RSM document PIB 46 covering Radio Operator Certificate and Callsign Rules).

NZART will have a principal Amateur Radio Examiner (ARX) who is the Examinations Co-ordinator and a deputy who are responsible for the operation of the examination system with the assistance of the members of the Examination Division appointed by Council.

The Examinations Co-ordinator and the Examinations Division are to report at least annually to NZART Council

The current database is the 2006 version and a 2012-updated version is being finalised. Once this is completed MED require this to be hosted on the NZART web site and for it to be the only examination question database to be used for the Amateur examinations in New Zealand.

NZART INTERNAL EXAMINATIONS PROCEDURES

Examinations are to be:

1. Conducted using the NZART systems and procedures with the NZART question bank and examination question paper generator provided and maintained by the NZART Examinations Division.

2. Under the control of the Examinations Coordinator who will administer examination Supervisors and have access to SMART for successful candidates to receive a Certificate of Competency and callsign.

3. Conducted within reason, on an as required, by appointment, basis

4. Available to all candidates (NZART members and non-members).

5. Held in locations that require minimum travelling for both candidates and Supervisors.

6. Two Supervisors accredited by the Examinations Coordinator in consultation with NZART Council are to be present throughout each examination session. These supervisors are initially nominated by their branch to the Examinations Coordinator.

WARO turns 50

On the 10th March this year, WARO will celebrate their 50th anniversary. There is a special a luncheon at the Millenium Hotel Rotorua to celebrate this milestone . This hotel is where the inaugural meeting of WARO was held 50 years ago. Guests as far afield as Australia (ALARA) the WIA equivalent of WARO will be attending. For more information, contact the WARO President, Margaret ZL1MB, President of WARO.

The Nelson WARO girls are attending a luncheon at the Mapua Wharf restaurant.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the March/April 2012
issue of Break-In-closes on 10 March 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 March 2012
for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted
DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to
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255. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1803 - March 2 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 10:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120302100003.BEF7D33C6C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3522
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1803 - March 2 2012

CLOSED CIRCUIT ADVISORY:

The following closed circuit advisory is not necessarily for air. With some words about our new website presence and the latest from the Newsline Support Fund here's our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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By now you have probably noticed that amateur Radio Newsline has a new look on the World Wide Web. Candidly, this was not planned but came about because our old web host notified us that they were leaving the shared server web hosting business by the end of February. We had to act fast and thanks to three people: Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, Dale Cary, WD0AKO and Kevin Trotman, N5PRE, the move was accomplished in less than two weeks. For this I thank them very much. But the move was not without financial cost to Amateur Radio Newsline. We had thought we would be OK through the end of May but that's no longer the case. So we are coming to you a bit earlier to ask your assistance in keeping these newscasts on the air. You ca make a donation on-line by clicking on the Pay Pal button on our website home page or by sending a donation to the address you will here at the end of this weeks newscast. Either way, we at the Amateur Radio Newsline thank you for your ongoing support. I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF. Now this weeks newscast.

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Thank you Bill. Now, amateur Radio Newsline report number 1803 with a release date of Friday, March 2nd, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Bad batteries may have lead to the loss of communications of a ham radio balloon from Texas to China. Also, Australia begins an evaluation program to see if its hams should be granted a power increase to a full kilowatt; Hams in Senegal to get access to 6 meters; M V Island is deleted from the DXCC and the role of social media in times of emergency reporting. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1803 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO NEAR SPACE: BAD BATTERIES MAY HAVE CAUSED BLT-28 FAILURE

Failure of the batteries that powered the ham radio payload of a high altitude balloon that was designed to float from Texas to China seems the likely cause of a total communications failure with the near space project. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, K-B-3-T-Zed-D, is here with the rest of the story:

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The South Texas Balloon Launch Team lofted the high altitude scientific balloon experiment known as BLT-28 on February 11th from near Katy, Texas. The balloon was supposed to rise to over 100,000 feet and float for several days and hopefully reach its target of Nanjing, China. But as reported here on Newsline, contact was lost with the balloons APRS tracker just south of the Louisiana coast at an altitude of 45,763 feet.

Andrew MacAllister, W5ACM, is part of the group that launched BLT-28. In a note to Lloyd Colston, KC5FM that was forwarded to Newsline, McAllister says that right now the highest probable failure mode was the batteries that powered the electronics payload on BLT-28.

W5ACM notes that the power supply was made up of commercial 1.5 volt lithium cells. According to post flight experiments, MacAllister says that several of the same type of batteries were put directly on some dry ice where they went from 1.5 volts down to two tenths of a volt. And when warmed up, they did not return to normal output.

MacAllister speculates that it could have been that cold just after reception of the last packet message from BLT28. He notes that the temp sensor system was not guaranteed below minus 40 degrees Celsius.

MacAllister confirms that there will be a second attempt to float a balloon from Texas to China, but first up will be a test flight of the thermal insulating system for the batteries and payload. W5ACM speculates that should happen sometime in May.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, Im Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD,near Pittsburg, PA.

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W5ACM indicates that if all goes well in May, that another attempt to fly a balloon from the United States to China could happen before years end. (South Texas Balloon Launch Team, KC5FM)

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RADIO RULES: AUSTRALIA'S ACMA AND WIA IN STUDY TO SEE IF VK HAMS SHOULD HER 1KW POWER LIMIT

Advanced class ham radio operators in Australia are being invited to take part in a study to see if it is possible to raise the power limit down-under to a full kilowatt. This as the Australian Communications and Media Authority, better known as the ACMA publishes details of the trial of higher power transmitter output on its website. Michael Owen,

VK3KI, is the President of the Wireless Institute of Australia:

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The ACMA has published on its website details of the trial of higher power transmitter output for Advanced amateur radio licensees.

The trial will commence on 1 March 2012 and will continue until 31 August 2013.

The ACMA has advised the WIA that the 18 month authorization is intended to provide the ACMA with time to evaluate the success of the trial after a 12 month period and to consider permanent regulatory arrangements, if warranted, while avoiding dead air between the evaluation time and the implementation of permanent arrangements, if appropriate The paper is in the part of the ACMA site dealing with amateur matters and is an information paper.

A brief article also appears on the Engage part of the ACMA website, where anyone can record their comments.

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The Wireless Institute of Australia Board of Directors has cautioned those hams considering obtaining a higher power permit that this is only a trial. As such, if problems do emerge, it could affect whether amateurs down-under will permanently continue to be able to use the higher power. In particular, if interference is caused to others, the WIA advises that the VK radio amateur involved must immediately do whatever it takes to stop the interference, and must resolve the problem. (WIA News)

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RESTRUCTURING: HAMS IN SENEGAL TO GET 6 METERS

Six meters is coming to Senegal. This with word from its national ham radio society that following its application to the Regulatory Agency for Telecommunications and Posts, the band 50 to 51 MHz has been officially allocated to that nations amateur service on a primary basis. This allocation becomes effective when the new ITU Radio Regulations come into force. Therefore any contacts made on 6 meters before that date have to be considered as unauthorized. (6W7RT)

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DXCC NEWS: MV ISLAND DELETED FROM THE DXCC ENTITY LIST

As of February 17th, Malyj Vysotskij Island, better known as MV Island in ham radio circles has been deleted from the D-XC-C. This after an announcement by the Finnish Ministry of Transportation and Communication that the Saimaa Canal Treaty between Finland and Russia has been finalized and that MV Island is no longer included in it.

For amateur radio this means that M V Island was deleted from the DXCC and added to the Deleted Entities List. Also that the entry level for DXCC Honor Roll number has dropped to 331.

We will have more DX news later on in this weeks newscast. (N1CL)

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RADIO RULES: ARRL PUBLISHES NEW RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 60 METERS

With new privileges on the 60 meter band beginning March 5th, the ARRL announced some new "Recommended Practices" for operating on that band.

These new suggestions are based on survey results and subsequent research. The committee evaluating the new 60 meter rules declined to propose a specific band plan at this time, but instead created a "Recommended Practices" document now available in .PDF format at tinyurl.com/arrl-sixtymeters

Also, look for the April issue of QST magazine to include an article by ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. It will offer a detailed discussion of the new 60 meter privileges and recommended operating practices for that band. (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISS CELEBRATES 700th ISS TO SCHOOLROOM CONTACTS

A milestone for manned ham radio operations from Earth orbit. ARISS Operation Team Mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N reports that the total number of Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS sponsored ISS-to-Earth school events has passed the 700 mark.

The 700th school contact was with the Academy at Shawnee City in Louisville, Kentucky. It took place via telebridge with ON4ISS on February 14. The special John Glenn event to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Perth Australia's, City of Lights on February 20th marked event number 701.

For those hams not aware. ARISS offers an opportunity for students in schoolrooms to experience the excitement of amateur radio by talking directly with crewmembers on-board the International Space Station. Further information on the ARISS program is available at www.ariss.org. (ARISS)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N5YYU repeater serving Clinton, Arkansas.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: THE ROLE OF SOCIAL MEDIA IN REPORTING EMERGENCIES TO THE PUBLIC

"Emergency Management Without Social Media.Fail" is the title of a very interesting op-ed article by author Tim Burrows posted across several social media websites. In it, Burrows looks at both the positive and negative effects on the public that social media can have in accurately disseminating and updating information of a disaster, accident or other event that the public needs to know. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more:

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The scenario Tim Burrows writes about involves a railroad accident that took place on February 26th. That's when a VIA Rail Canada train en route from Niagara Falls to Toronto was involved in a derailment that occurred in the Burlington, Ontario area. Official news reports say that the three engineers riding in the cab of the locomotive were killed. There were no fatalities among the 75 passengers but 45 were injured.

Burrows article details the role of the mass media along with the self involvement of individuals in putting out news bulletins regarding the accident, many of which were not properly vetted before being released into cyberspace. He notes that while there was an incredible amount of information flying around there was no "voice of authority" speaking. He also takes note that official media sources were also quoting unsubstantiated sources such as one outlet that quoted an emergency agency from another jurisdiction.

On the other hand, Burrows praised several VIA Rail employees who used Twitter to keep accurate information flow of the accident even though they were being chided at on Twitter because the system suffered delays. Burrows said that even though they had just lost three members of their working family they answered everyone professionally and systematically.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Whether you agree or disagree with Burrows assessment of the role of social media in regard to the accuracy of the information being made public, his article is a very interesting evaluation for anyone involved in the world of emergency communications. This being especially true during events where no official JIC or Joint Information Center is available. You can read the entire story on-line at tinyurl.com/emergency-social-media. (Wordpress.com, Facebook)

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RESCUE RADIO: MA TOWN SEEKS STANDBY RESCUE RADIO ASSISTANCE FROM LOCAL HAMS

Yet another city has discovered the value of having trained ham radio operators as a part of its emergency communications plan. This as community leaders in Arlington, Massachusetts, announce that they are seeking radio amateurs willing to help the town with its emergency response network.

In a statement issued to the press, officials say that they're looking for ham radio operators to become volunteers and help out in case the town's communications systems was to stop working during an emergency. Arlington used a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to buy a ham radio gear for emergencies. Any Massachusetts ham living in the area who is interested in volunteering should contact Fire Chief Robert Jefferson by e-mail to rjefferson(at)town(dot)arlington(dot)ma(dot)us. (Arlington Partch, eHam.net)

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RESCUE FROM RADIO TOWER: NAKED CLIMBER REMOVED FROM ATOP LOS ANGELES RADIO TOWER

>From the believe it or not file comes the story of a naked man atop a downtown Los Angeles radio tower who was wrapped in a blanket and lowered to safety by a makeshift pulley system on Wednesday night February 8th.

The unidentified tower climber was believed to be in his 30s or 40s and possibly an Arizona resident. It was unclear why he climbed the 220 foot high structure, which is part of a city personnel building just west of downtown L.A..

Witnesses say that he removed items of clothing after he began scaling the tower about 4 p.m. Pacific time just prior to sundown. His rescue went without incident after he asked to be given some MacDonalds hamburgers.

The mission which involved a heavy presence of Los Angeles Fire Department personnel was completed at about 9:45 Pacific Standard Time. Police said that the man will not be charged with a crime and his name will not be released. (LA Times, LA Weekly, others)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES A PAIR OF UNLICENSED OPERATION FINES IN FLORIDA

The FCC has issued a $20,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Monetary Forfeiture to Florida resident Robens Cheriza. This, for operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 107.3 MHz from his residence in West Palm Beach.

In this case the FCC says that it received an interference complaint from the Federal Aviation Administration about illegal transmissions reported by its control tower at the Palm Beach International Airport. The FCC traced the transmissions on 107.3 MHz to Cheriza's residence

and said they saw an FM transmitter connected by coax to the transmitting antenna.

Cheriza admitted operating the station for about a month and said he knew that was illegal. On the night when the airport experienced interference, Cheriza told agents he had broadcast a party from his home.

Also, Mercius Dorvilus received the base fine of $10,000 for operating a station illegally on 92.7 MHz in Pompano Beach, Florida. He told a detective from the Broward County Sheriff's Office that he bought and installed the gear in his rented room and that he was responsible for operating the transmitter. The FCC, citing Florida business records, said Dorvilus is doing business as "Radio Vision FM 927, Inc." and has registered the domain name, www.visionfm.org.

Both Cheriza and Dorvilus were given the customary 30 days from the date of the issuance of the fines to either pay or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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COMMUNICATIONS LAW: FCC ADOPTS RULES TO STRENGTHEN CONSUMER PROTECTIONS AGAINST UNWANTED TELEMARKETING ROBOCALLS

The FCC has again slapped the hand of telemarketers to further protect consumers from unwanted autodialed or prerecorded calls, often referred to as robocalls.

On February 15th the Federal Communications Commission on approved changes to its telemarketing rules to combat unwanted telemarketing calls and texts which were consistently in the top three consumer complaint categories at the FCC in 2011.

The FCC says that robocalls invade consumers' privacy, and can, in the case of calls to wireless numbers, use up their minutes. The new rules reduce regulatory uncertainty with minimal burden on industry and maximize consistency with those of the Federal Trade Commission.

Specifically, the rules protect consumers by requiring telemarketers to obtain prior express written consent from them, including by electronic means such as a website form, before placing a robocall to a consumer. The new rules also require that telemarketers provide an automated, interactive "opt-out" mechanism during each robocall so that consumers can immediately tell the telemarketer to stop calling. They also strictly limit the number of abandoned or "dead air" calls that telemarketers can make within each calling campaign.

On the other side, the revised rules also ensure that informational calls, such as those related to school closings and flight changes, continue to be available to consumers who wish to receive them. (FCC)

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RADIO POLITICS: COMMITTEE FOR US BROADCASTING OPPOSES BBG FY 2013 BUDGET PLAN

The Committee for U.S. International Broadcasting has blasted the recent Broadcasting Board of Governors budget proposals for Fiscal Year 2013 that we reported on last week.

The Committee says that it is outraged by the proposal to cut and reduce Voice of America English and foreign language programs and positions. It also takes issue with reductions to programs and positions at Radio Free Asia and at other U.S. government-funded international broadcasting entities managed by the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

The Committee for U.S. International Broadcasting is a private nonprofit interest group focusing on broadcast and news distribution. Its website is located in cyberspace at www.cusib.org. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HAMRADIONOW - THE ORLANDO INTERVIEWS

Some names in the news this week. Gary Pearce KN4AQ is releasing a series a videos shot at the Orlando HamCation in mid-February. This, as a part of his Ham Radio Now series that features interviews with the true movers and shakers of the hobby in the 21st century.

His latest release includes a very in depth interview with CQ Magazine editor Rich Moseson W2VU. In it Pearce talks to him for almost an hour about how CW is faring now that it's no longer required; about the CQ family of magazine's new digital option, and a little about ham radio video production.

This video is titled Ham Radio Now Episode 2: The Orlando Interviews. More about this new series is on-line at arvideonews.com. (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: THE ERIC JAMIESON INDIAN OCEAN AWARD CREATED IN VK

And the Wireless Institute of Australia Board has accepted the offer of Eric Jamieson, VK5LP, to sponsor awards for first amateur radio contacts on the two meter band spanning the Indian Ocean between Australia and Africa. There will be three honor give. One each for voice, for CW and for the digital modes. As one might expect this program will be known as the Eric Jamieson Indian Ocean Awards. More on this is on line at www.wia.org.au. (WIA News)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: LIGHTSQUARED ANNOUNCES LAYOFFS FOLLOWING FCC DECISION AGAINST ITS NETWORK

LightSquared Inc. the wireless company whose controversial plan to operate in spectrum adjacent to that used by the space-based G-P-S navigation system says that it plans to lay off nearly half of its

employees to save money. In a press release, the company said it will cut 45 percent of its 330 employee workforce and called the move a necessary cost savings measure to ensure the long-term success of the company.

As previously reported, the Federal Communications Commission dealt the company a severe blow when it said it would revoke permission for LightSquared to move ahead with its wireless network. This, after tests found that it would interfere with Global Positioning Systems used by the military, the airlines and the general public. (Published news reports)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: PASNASONIC TO RELEASE TEXT TO SPEECH TV

Panasonic plans to release a new line of televisions in March with text-to-speech capabilities. This according to a podcast from the UK-based show Early Edition.

On the netcast, Panasonic's Nigel Prankard is quoted as saying that users will be able to obtain channel information, browse the user guide, and use the built-in electronic program guide among other features.

He went on to explain that the company felt it was the right time to include accessibility features and that Panasonic planned to include it in all models. This based on the company stating that a user shouldn't be limited in the choice of a television by which ones included accessibility features.

Apple is credited in part for proving the technology could be added without much additional cost. This initial release of these new televisions sets appears to be targeted toward the UK market. No word when these sets will be released world wide. More information is on-line at tinyurl.com/first-accessible-tv. (KC9RP via Insight Radio)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMATEUR RADIO CELEBRATES JOHN GLENN OVER PERTH AUSTRALIA

50 Years of anticipation all worked out on the day that Australia and the world celebrated John Glenn's orbit in Friendship 7 over the city

of Perth on Monday, February 20th. And ham radio was an important part of the event. Onno Benschop, VK6FLAB, reports:

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We had John Glenn, the Premier of WA, the Lord Mayor of Perth, Lyn Beazley the WA Chief Scientist and many other dignitaries on hand to celebrate. We even managed to squeeze in some David Bowie and a video on how to become an astronaut.

The crowds filled the Northbridge Piazza and much anticipation culminated at 10:24 UTC. Orbital calculations all worked out and the International Space Station made it across the horizon. There were some chilling seconds when Mike was calling from Honolulu, but in the end, the contact was a great success.

Of course, an event like this could not have been possible without a little help from some friends, Captain Dan Burbank on the International Space Station, the WA State Records Office, the WA Museum, the City of Perth, ARISS, NASA and the Hills Amateur Radio Group.

A full credit list is being prepared on the Hills Amateur Radio Group website, but two people require a special mention, Tony VK5ZAI the Australian ARISS mentor and Meg VK6LUX who energetically kept the multitude of interested parties moving along making it all possible.

We managed to get Amateur Radio into the news on ABC Online, ABC radio and local television, who knows we might pick up some more amateurs along the way.

Alex VK6FLOL and Donald VK6PDS scored a place in history as prize winners for the contact.

I'm Onno Benschop, VK6FLAB

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By way of background, on February 20, 1962, John Glenn became the first American to orbit the Earth in the Friendship 7 spacecraft. On this mission, Glenn flew over Perth and the people of Perth turned on their lights to acknowledge his mission. Glenn observed that the city was visible from space and Perth become known worldwide as the City of Light. (WIA News)

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WORLDBEAT: RSGB ATTEMPTS TO HARMONIZE 5 MHZ ALLOCATION

The RSGB report that it has received an offer from the primary United Kingdom user of 5 MHz, which is the Ministry of Defense aimed at working with the British ham radio community on band access issues.

As has been reported earlier the Ministry of Defense was unable to meet an RSGB request for access over a continuous range but has offered a number of small frequency blocks. These include all of the present 3

kHz wide channels.

The new offer is quite complex and the RSGB's view is that it need to seek input from members and non-members of the UK amateur community as to how it responds. As such the RSGB announced that it would be launching what it calls a second "Litmus Test" discussion entitled "New 5 MHz NoV proposals".

The details of the offer and a draft response from the RSGB should have been uploaded to www.rsgb.org/consultations by March 1st. (GB2RS)

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ON THE AIR: TARC REMEMBERS THE APRIL 2011 TUSCALOOSA TORNADO VICTIMS

On the air, the Tuscaloosa Amateur Radio Club will be operating special event station W4XI on April 28th from 11:00AM to 5:00PM local time. This in remembrance of the 44 people that died when an F-4 tornado struck that city on April 27, 2011.

Operation will be from the top of the western parking deck at Druid City Hospital Regional Medical Center in Tuscaloosa. The operating frequencies will be 7.270 and 14.270MHz, +/- any QRM. The club will also have a RTTY station in the data portion of both the 40 and 20 meter bands. QSL information is on the club website at www.w4kcq.org. (N4EDT)

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ON THE AIR: THE IRTS CELEBRATES ITS 80th ANNIVERSARY

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society is now celebrating its 80th anniversary and is on the air with the special callsign EI80IRTS. An attractive certificate sponsored by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society will be available to all who make contact with the station. More details are on-line at www.ei7dar.com/ei80irts.html. (IRTS)

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DX

In DX, JI3DST, will be on the air signing portable 9M2 from West Malaysia between 0000 UTC on March 10th and 0900 UTC on March 11th. His activity will be on 80 through 6 meters including most of the WARC bands. Modes to be used will include CW, SSB and FM. QSL via JI3DST.

DJ0IF and SP7VC will be on the air from Madeira Island through the 7th of March signing portable CT9. QSL via their home callsigns.

F6ITD will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands from Guadeloupe until 13th of March. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, K5LBU, VE7MID, VE7DS and N5JR will be

active from the Lotsane Safari Lodge in Botswana

between March 18th and the 27th. The group

plans to be active in the CQ World Wide WPX SSB

Contest from March 24th to the 25th as A25HQ.

They will have three radios and both a log

periodic and wire antenna covering 160 meters

and up. More details in future Amateur Radio

Newsline reports.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: NASA SHUTS DOWN LAST MAINFRAME

There was a time when IBM's mainframe computers were the cutting-edge machines for scientific and engineering calculations. Now, for NASA that's all come to an end. Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

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The day of the giant mainframe computer began in the 1960s, when IBM's System 360 rewrote the rules of computing and before humans walked on the moon. When NASA acquired two of the then super-speed System 360 Model 95 mainframes in 1968, IBM touted the machines' mathematical abilities.

But February marked the end of the era in NASA computing. This as the space agency powered down its last IBM Z9 mainframe that was located at Marshall Space Flight Center.

Linda Cureton is a Chief Information Officer who once programmed a System 360 mainframe in assembly language at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland. She is quoted as saying that mainframes are really not so bad and they have their place. She notes that things like virtual machines, hypervisors, thin clients, and swapping are all old hat to the mainframe generation though they are new to the current generation of what she termed as cyber youth.

But for many in the industry, mainframes had become so burdened with a reputation for a bygone era of computing that they became synonymous with dinosaurs. To counter this IBM fought back, boosting performance, adding new technology. The company succeeded in that these newer mainframe systems remain a fixture in some corners of the computing industry.

In the old days, mainframes were the size of several large rooms. Today these units are only the size of a refrigerator. And even though NASA has shut down its last one, there is still a requirement for mainframe capability in many other organizations.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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By comparison with days gone bye, today's fastest mainframe supercomputers can perform 10.5 quadrillion calculations per second. (NASA, Science OnLine)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD saying 73 from Vero Beach Florida and we thank you for listening.

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256. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 2 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 11:23:36 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2352f5bcd49a04ba40cd27@google.com>
Source record: 3523
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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BBC News - 'Twisted' waves could boost capacity of Wi-Fi and TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n_ymld06EFU/twisted_waves.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Bo Thidé SM5DFW has developed a new means to boost the information-carrying capacity of radio waves

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ARISS amateur radio contact planned with students in Space Expo, the Netherlands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NHoG_O6MW8w/ariss_event_0603.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned Tuesday March 6, 2012 at approximately 13:11 UTC with participants at Space Expo, Noordwijk, the Netherlands

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HamRadioNow - AMSAT Edition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KXIA-kpbDVc/hamradionow_amsat_edition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this HamRadioNow video Lou McFadin W5DID describes the ARISSat-1 satellite, using the operational model at the AMSAT booth at the Orlando HamCation

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8LlQrcAoEis/wca_0203.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

World Castle Weekend will be brought forward to the third weekend of June

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Amateur Radio Intermediate Course in Nottingham

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0JhD1u0ojSE/amateur_radio_intermediate_course_in_nottingham.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sherwood Amateur Radio Club is conducting an Intermediate Course starting March 17

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Yaesu Digital Radio interview

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BHhBz8OcWTA/yaesu_digital_radio_interview.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Gary Pearce KN4AQ interviews Yaesu Executive VP for North America, Dennis Motschenbacher K7BV and discusses their upcoming digital radios

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HAMSAT VO-52 falls silent

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The amateur radio satellite HAMSAT VO-52 ceased operating on February 28, neither it’s beacon or 435/145 MHz SSB/CW linear transponder have been heard since

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Sketch, simulate, and share schematics

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4TvPeqFQ3b0/circuitlab.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CircuitLab is an on-line system that lets you rapidly test circuit ideas before breadboarding

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

257. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 2 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 11:33:02 UTC
From: "Jimbo...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jiqb5a$h71$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3524
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

woo hoo Yaesu gone from Motorola !!!! ....back to the good old famly
run Yaesu Musen ....

258. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 4 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 13:34:08 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <6f4e9396-e5c4-4d4a-9f8f-c4230346e4f0@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3525
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-03-04.mp3
Text edition:

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VK7 24GHz Records Set

What use is an f-call?

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THESE ITEMS AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 04 2012.

VK7 24GHz Records Set

Rex VK7MO that intrepid Microwave DXer lets us know that over the last little
while David VK3QM and Ken VK3AKK along with Rex have been gradually increasing
the 24GHz Tasmanian State Record from a few meters across his Lounge room to
6 km across the river, 17 km from Mt Wellington to Coningham to around 161 km
from Mt Barrow to Mt Wellington.

The equipment used at the VK7MO end was 4 watts into a 47 cm dish based on
Khune Tranceiver PA and Preamp all GPS locked. At the VK3QM/VK3AKK end they
used a 10 inch dish and 500 mw output.

Rex also says 24GHz digital tests that were undertaken between Mt Barrow and
VK3HZ proved to be very promising. The path was 421km path between John's Hill

lookout in VK3 and Mt Barrow. While a QSO was not completed three full decodes were exchanged suggesting that such a path is possible on 24 GHz.

Watch this space!!!!

Congratulations to all involved.

(vk7wi)

In preparation for the April announcement on Australia's Square Kilometer Array bid, a new supercomputer that is 10,000 times faster than an average office desktop computer has been installed at the University of Western Australia (UWA).

Besides the need for a supercomputer, scientists at the International Center for Radio Astronomy Research (ICRAR) say the AU$2 billion SKA will also generate one exabyte of data − a billion terabytes - every day while it searches the sky with the power to detect airport radars in other solar systems 50 light years away.

Basically, the amount of computer data generated by the entire world in a whole year will need to be stored in a single day for the telescope.

The SKA is a continent-wide Australasian project with radio telescope sites that that extend to New Zealand. Results on the SKA bid is expected to be made by the international SKA Board in London in April.

The other bid comes from South Africa.

(icrar - asian scientist)

The Federal Government is in confidential negotiations with railway operators after setting prices for radio spectrum critical to a new national rail safety system.

Communications Minister Stephen Conroy's office said state transport authorities would be required to pay full commercial rates for the spectrum as it revealed it was in confidential negotiations with them over renewal of their spectrum licenses.

Under terms of the determination announced last week, operators will be required to pay $0.23 per person living in each license area for every MHz of 1800MHz spectrum they operate.

That would mean rail authorities would collectively have to pay at least $420m to retain their current license holdings in each state.

(sourced to the Australian)

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Have you registered to attend to the WIA Annual Conference being held in Mildura over the weekend 25th - 27th May?

Saturday afternoons Technical Symposium - Technology To The Future. Hear what the experts have to say, learn about the cutting edge technology and what our Australian Amateurs have been working on, and the bright future for our hobby.

One of the presents will be Andrew Martin, VK3OE. Andrew is a qualified Telecommunications Engineer --- Andrew has developed a remote internet controlled site and chirp radar for amateur use. Andrew will discuss his remote site together with recent developments and results obtained with the chirp radar.

It's going to be a very special weekend of activities, and there is much more in store that we will continue sharing with you in upcoming broadcasts and don't forget the registration page on the WIA Website.

Up up and away, see you in Mildura this has been Robert VK3DN

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VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

vk2zwk advises Fishers Ghost Amateur Radio Club will be holding an exhibition for 2 weeks at Campbelltown Library. On display will be various radios, photos and details of activities undertaken by FGARC. This is part of the 30th Birthday celebrations March 19 - 31

Tomorrow evening the 5th the upgrade course commences with Amateur Radio NSW at 7pm. This course will continue each Monday evening, other than public holidays. The location is at the VK2WI site = number 63 Quarry Road, Dural. While the course is intended for Foundation licenses to upgrade to either Standard or Advanced don't let not yet holding a license stop you attending.

Later in the month there will be the one day Foundation Course of Sunday 18th. Assessments for all license grades will be held on Sunday 25 during the bi-monthly Trash & Treasure days - all the the VK2WI site.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

The Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club members announce that on 21st July 2012 they will be conducting their annual Hamfest at the Cranbourne Community Hall on the corner of Clarendon and High Streets, Cranbourne. High Street is part of the South Gippsland Highway. Melway 133 K4.

Forty tables of goods will be presented at this large venue, but stall holders should book early as demand is always high. Reservations for stall holders may be made by contacting Steve Harding VK3EGD on 0408 878934 or by emailing. More information can be found on the GGREC

website.
Tables will be available for $20 each. A limit of four (4) tables per Stall Holder applies. Doors open at 8:30 AM. for stall holders and at 10:00 AM for the general public. The admittance fee of $6 as a buyer will go towards the continued upgrading of facilities at our Club Shack & meeting room in Cranbourne.

Take away food, tea and coffee will be available. The entry fee includes a ticket in the Door Prize which will be drawn around 1:30 PM for all who register upon entry. Great prizes to be won as usual. Additional tickets can be purchased on the day.

VK4 - QNEWS
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get local audio news www.wiaq.com/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Graeme VK4RD droped us a note to say due to the number of people interested in ham radio, those that have just got there license, or those that wish to get there license in the Biloela/Gladstone area a field day demonstration is planned for the Lions Park in Biloela (date yet to be determined).

We'll hear directly from Graeme in later bulletins as the time draws nearer.

TOWNSVILLE

The Management Meeting of the Townsville Amateur Radio Club happens this Tuesday 6th of March from 7-30pm at the Club Rooms SES HQ Green Street West End.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Sewing Circle Net Meet the Voice BBQ

If you have not heard about it by now, then let us update you on the up and coming Sewing Circle Net Meet the Voice BBQ. The Ross event gets under way at 10.30am Sunday 18 March.

Registration is just $5.00 per amateur or family. Your registration will give you 2 free tickets in the mighty raffle. This year, 2 prizes. A $100 voucher, kindly donated by Dave and Claureen Wilson from TTS Systems. The other prize a new FDC 70cm/2m dual band hand held radio. Extra raffle tickets will be on sale on the day!

Plans for the auction of quality pre owned equipment are well underway. So far, 10 items for auction including 2 computer systems, a 70cm multimode radio, an 80M antenna, a quarter kilo bag of resistors, a screwdriver antenna with controller, a super jpole dual band antenna and much more.

The Sewing Circle Net extends many thanks to auction donors Geoff VK7GW; the two Bryan's VK7KBE and 7KWB and Ron VK7VDL. Do you have something that you would be willing to donate to the auction?

Remember, all funds raised (and we mean every dollar) from registrations, the raffle and the auction will go to repeater maintenance around Tasmania.

The car boot sale will feature again this year. Fill your vehicle with any pre-loved gear that you would like to sell. Going on previous years, trade will be brisk. If you have a boot load, maybe you have something that you could donate to the auction? If you do have something to donate, all they ask is that you do not leave it to the last minute.

A website is dedicated to the Ross event, kindly provided by Tony VK7VKT. The web address is sewingcircle.org

(Vince VK7VH, Don VK7AY and all the crew on the Sewing Circle Net)

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

(EPISODE 20111009)

Amateur Radio is a moving feast of people, coming and going, gaining interest, loosing interest, having time, running out of time. Every week there are people joining and people leaving the hobby. Fortunately the Foundation License seems to be increasing the size of the hobby quicker than the number of people leaving through choice or not.

One of the things that strikes me is that there is a small group of amateurs with foundation licenses who can be heard on-air, but there is a large contingent of licensees that are hardly ever heard from. Of course it's possible that some of those F-calls never even purchased a radio, or that their circumstances changed by the time their license came through, but overall I'd expect to hear more people on air than I do.

So what is stopping those new amateurs from participating?

Why are they shy to push on their magical microphone key and have a go? Rather
than answering the question, perhaps you might ask yourself if there is anything that you could be doing that might encourage new licensees to join in the fun and become active participants in the hobby.

It's not for me to dictate how you might go about achieving that, but I always have suggestions - I'm never short of a word and you might have guessed. For one,
leaving a break between each over is an excellent way to let newcomers feel like you care enough about them to let them join in. One amateur I spoke with suggested that you put your microphone down after your over which forces you to pick it up with the associated delay, leaving a space for another station to chime in with their contribution.

Not that I'm suggesting that amateurs talk over the tail of each other, or anything like that - hi hi.

Perhaps there are other tips you have to contribute.

I'm Onno - vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

UK National Radio Centre opens

The National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park opened its doors for the first time on Saturday 25th February.

It is initially operating for three days a week - Thursday, Saturday and Sunday - while the displays and exhibits are put through their paces. The formal opening is expected to take place in late spring.

Improved 60m access

Following proposals from the RSGB to Ofcom, aimed at harmonising NoV access to 5MHz with that access enjoyed by radio amateurs in other countries, the Society has received an offer from the MoD.

It was reported earlier that the MoD were unable to meet our request for access over a continuous range, ie a band, so at our request have offered a number of small frequency blocks, which include all of the present 3kHz wide channels.

More information can be found on the RSGB website, following the link on their home page to Consultations

HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD

In a movie Journey 2: The Mysterious Island, Sean Anderson (played by Josh Hutcherson) receives a coded distress signal that comes from a mysterious island where no island should exist.

The movie opens in Dayton, Ohio with Sean on his motorcycle, being chased by police officers. Sean had been caught breaking in to a "satellite facility." When questioned Sean confesses that he had received a coded message from his grandfather but his equipment was too weak to copy it; he decided to go somewhere where there were bigger antennas.

The message -- a string of one and two syllable words makes no sense to Sean. But a former US Navy cryptographer, offers to help decode the message; Seems the message is really in Morse code:

each one syllable word is a "dit,"
while each two syllable word is a "dah."

This gives clues to the location of the grandfather's whereabouts.

Read more
arrl.org/news/hollywood-movie-features-morse-code-homebrew-equipment-and-sea-monsters

NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

A SPRAY-ON ANTENNA

Chamtech Enterprises, of Sandy, Utah, has developed a spray-on antenna material that it says is more lightweight and energy efficient than current technology.

Revealed at Google's inaugural "Solve for X" symposium, the company says that an antenna can be painted onto almost any surface including trees, walls and even on fabrics.

Chamtech says that it is already talking with government-based customers, and as such can't give too much detail on how it works. However it has released information that its material uses organic elements that have the ability to interact with magnetic and radio-frequency fields.

The company's Chief Technology Officer is Rhett Spencer. Spencer is quoted as saying the antenna could increase mobile energy efficiency by 10 percent. Also that it was found to work particularly well under water. Observers at the event say that being organic could make it ideal for sub-aquatic telecommunications infrastructure.

Prelimnary tests on current a generation cell phone showed that the product was able to boost signals by an impressive 20 dbm when painted over the standard internal antenna.

>From our point of view, for ham radio operators living in antenna restricted areas such as apartments or condominiums, the possibilities of a product such as this could be endless. All a ham might need is a bit of imagination and some of the spray-on antenna paint to get on the air with a signal much stronger than from the rubber duckie on his or her HT.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Michael Grebert, N4OZ, not far from Music City, Nashville, Tennessee.

For more information about the Chamtech spray-on antenna material you can take your web browser to www.chamtechops.com A video with a talk about the technology involved is on-line
tinyurl.com/spray-on-antenna

COORDINATING THE SUPER BOWL

And finally this week in the ARNewsLine segment of WIA Natioan News, a tale of frequency coordination to the stars. Not the stars in the sky but those on the football field at this year's Super bowl. It's also the story of the part played in the process by a number of Hoosier state radio amateurs.

Here's Jack Parker, W8ISH:

INDY SUPER BOWL HAMS

Actuality Audio: "Check one two three four-This
is about a team an organization-I've just gone
from hotel to stadium. It was a great experience overall."

>From mic checks to manning to Madonna to the
man on the street the airwaves around downtown
Indianapolis were full of frequencies from over
3500 hundred transmitters. For two weeks prior
to Super Bowl 46, and through the game itself,
hundreds of radio and television stations were
vying for radio spectrum in their efforts to
cover the greatest show in professional football.

Keeping interference to a minimum is the job of
the Super Bowl Frequency Coordination
Committee. It is a team of 46 six, including 17
Amateur Radio operators from central
Indiana. Their mission was to log, tag and tune
all wireless transmitters from broadcast media from around the world.

As Super Bowl Sunday approached the job of
preventing interference became a super task. The
Indianapolis Super Bowl village, Lucas Oil
Stadium and major hotels are located in a one
mile square area. According to one volunteer,
that is a lot of RF in a small area.

According to organizers the area of frequency
control was expanded on game day stretching
out about 30 miles into the suburbs of central Indiana.

Reporting from Indianapolis, I'm Jack Parker, W8ISH.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

FISTS have sponsored a Titanic 24 Hour Sprint on Sunday the 15th April 2012.
(0001 to 2359 U.T.C).

All licensed Amateur Bands except the WARC Bands.

Recognising the 100th anniversary of the loss of the RMS Titanic on the 15th April 1912. This event is to be a standard exchange, between stations.

Scoring: -
10 Points for any Titanic special events station
5 Points for a FISTS HQ Station (GX0IPX, GX3ZQS, MX5IPX, VK2FDU, ZL6FF, JL3YMV, KN0WCW)
3 Points for a FISTS Affiliated Club Station
2 Points for a FISTS Member
1 Point for a Non Member

Logs: - To include Date/Time/Call/Name/QTH/QRG/FISTS No/or Non Member Points.
by e-mail to m0bpt@yahoo.co.uk
in Excel/csv/tabbed word document format if possible.

To be received no later than 30th April 2012.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Prefix hunters don't forget that Croatia is marking the 20th
Anniversary of the allocation of the 9A prefix.

Operators there are permitted to insert the figures '20'
into their callsigns.

For example 9A2AA will become 9A202AA, 9A1MM becomes 9A201MM etc.

These prefixes are available throughout 2012.

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5 P 12 EU

Denmark has the Presidency of European Union from 1st January to
30th June 2012 and the callsign 5P12EU will be activated during
this period. QSL cards will be available and there is an award
scheme for working or hearing this callsign. For all details on
QSLing, the award scheme and logs, check out www.5p12eu.dk

EI 80 IRTS Special Callsign

As the Irish celebrate their 80th Anniversary, a special callsign EI80IRTS
is now on the air and a very attractive certificate for working EI80IRTS
is sponsored by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, and details can be seen at
http://www.ei7dar.com/ei80irts.html

G3PHO will be on the air as 9H3C from Malta's Gozo Island between March 8th and
the 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters and possibly 160m.
Look for him to be an entry in the RGSB Commonwealth Contest.
QSL via G3PHO his home callsign or Logbok of the World.

J88DR

St Vincent in the Caribbean. J88DR will be there until 14 March on the HF bands
with emphasis on 30, 17 and 12 metres. QSL to Dave G3TBK.

T6JM

A station from Afghanistan is Jose CT1FKN who is signing T6JM.
He is there until mid-June and is mainly QRV on 20m SSB and BPSK31.
QSL T6JM to CT1FKN his home call.

TA1TC

Albania will be on the air during the CQ WPX SSB Contest. This with word that TA1HZ will operate from that nation as ZA1TC for the period of March 23 to 26 details and QSL info is on www.qrz.com.

REPUBLIC OF THE SOUTH SUDAN AWARDED Z8A TO Z8Z CALL SIGN BLOCK

The ITU has announced the official callsign allocation prefix block for the newly crated nation of the Republic of South Sudan will be Z8A through Z8Z. The Republic of South Sudan joined the United Nations on July 14, 2011 at which time it became the 193rd member of that august world body.

(arnewsline)

ZS4U will be operational portable 9Q6 from the Republic of the Congo between March 10th and April 5th. Activity will be limited, probably mainly on the weekends and some days during the week.

Listen out for him between 1200 and 1600 UTC on 40 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign zs4u.

AWARDS

ERIC JAMIESON INDIAN OCEAN AWARDS

Last weeks news carried the story by our President on a new award.

The Board meeting in Melbourne over the weekend of 18-19 February 2012 accepted the offer of Eric Jamieson, VK5LP, to sponsor awards for first amateur radio contacts on the two metre (144 MHz) band spanning the Indian Ocean between Australia and Africa.

There will be three awards, for voice, CW and digital modes and will be known as the Eric Jamieson Indian Ocean Awards.

In presenting a sum of money to the WIA Foundation to fund the Awards, Eric said: "I acknowledge that spanning the Indian Ocean will not be easy but one cannot say that it will never be accomplished. The degree of difficulty may be judged from the so far inability to span the much shorter Atlantic Ocean despite concerted attempts in order to win the Brendan Atlantic Ocean trophies."

The Indian Ocean Award is designed to encourage experimentation in propagation and long distance communication techniques in the two metre amateur band.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

VK9ZR Mellish Reef 1982

A video of the 1982 Coral Sea DXpediton to Mellish Reef, VK9ZR, has been released on YouTube.

The YouTube description reads

1982 Coral Sea DXpediton to Mellish Reef, VK9ZR, aboard sailing yacht Banyandah with Jack and Jude. Amateur Radio. Stops at lonely weather station on Willis Island, population 4. Cyclone forces departure.

Super 8 film, rough in patches, but great adventure showing energy and courage in undertaking the 3 week, 2500 km journey across the Coral Seas using only primitive sextant for navigation.

Watch Mellish Reef ~ MidOcean Adventure ~ (makes you wonder why these days with GPS so many DX Peditions collect their sponsors yet never make the air!..ed)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

RAOTC MARCH REMINDER.

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that the next Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's news and information bulletin will take place tomorrow, Monday March 5th, at the usual times and on the usual frequencies.

At 10 am Victorian time the relay can be heard on 145.7 MHz FM in the 2 metre band, and also on 7060 and 3650 kHz

At 0100 UTC the bulletin is beamed north from Melbourne on 14.150 MHz USB

An hour later at 0200 UTC the bulletin is beamed westward again on 14.150 MHz USB.

For West Australian listeners, the bulletin is transmitted at 8 am local time on 7060 kHz LSB and again at 10 am via all linked NewsWest repeaters.

Everyone, RAOTC members and non-members alike, is cordially invited to listen and to call back afterwards.

In case you missed that, to check times and frequencies for your area, visit the RAOTC website at raotc.org.au

(Clive VK6CSW)

N6SL SAYS QCWA 40 METER CW NET SPPED LOWERED TO 15 WPM

Ben Russell, N6SL says via the Quarter Century Wireless Association's remailer that to encourage more participation the 40 meter QCWA 40 Meter CW Net that the code speed has been reduced to approximately 15 words per minute.

N6SL, who is the Net Control Station, says that this net meets every Wednesday at 8 PM Eastern Time on 7.035 MHz +/- QRM. Anyone interested in QCWA and its activities is invited to take part.

(arnewsline)

SOCIALY SPEAKING

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 12 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST (ROSEBUD BY THE BAY)

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late ARRL DX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the ARRL DX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 25th-February, through Friday, 3rd-March, there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 1A, 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3C0, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2012 INTERNATIONAL YL DAY 10 METER SSB CONTEST. The Federaci&#65533;n de Radio Aficionados de Puerto Rico (FRAPR), will have their first "International Woman's Day 10 Meter SSB Contest" on Saturday, March 3rd, at 9am (1300UTC) until 8:59pm (0059 UTC) on Sunday, March 4th. It will be between the frequencies of 28.300 to 28.500 MHz with maximum output of 100 watts. The contest is to promote Amateur Radio female operators to participate on the lower bands. For rules and log sheet, please go to: http://www.frapr.org/2011/concurso_10m_2011/Reglas_logbook_mujeres_2012.pdf Even though this is a local contest, there will be a special certificate for those female operators from other countries who contact the Puerto Rican YL's. To obtain a special certificate, please send SASE to: FRAPR RR1 Box 6418, Guayama, PR 00784-9606.

3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND (Update). By the time you read this, operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM are now active as 3C0E from Annobon Island (AF-039; Pagalu). Nothing was heard about a possible extension, so activity will last until March 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. See OPDX.1047 for suggested frequencies. QSL 3C0E (as well as 3C6A) via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernab&#65533; Coll, P.O.Box 3097, 03080 Alicante, Spain. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at: http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

4J0, AZERBAIJAN (Lighthouse Op). Members of the "Safari DX-Activators Club" will activate Nardaran Lighthouse (AZE-008) and possibly (depending on permission) Shuvalan Lighthouse (AZE-007) between March 3-4th. Activity will be between 0800-0000z approx. The callsigns to be used by the team of operators are 4J0LH for Nardaran, and 4J0SFR for Shuvalan. The main bands of operation will be on 40 and 20 meters. They will use two IC-718 w/PA-200W into multi-band Delta-42m and Inverted-V antennas. QSL via 4J5T. Operators mentioned are Yasuhiko/JR0HYT (QRP), Boris/4K4K (CW), Sergey/4J5A (CW), Oktay/4J7A (CW/SSB), Farid/4K6AF and Natig/4J5T (SSB, team leader).

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Axel, DL6KVA, will once again be active as 4K0CW from Baku between March 15-20th. Activity will be CW only on all HF bands (depending on the band conditions) using 100 watts into a 84m long wire (from Vlad's, 4K9W, QTH). Axel also plans to participate in the Russian DX Contest (March 17-18th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power/CW entry. QSL via DL6KVA (Bureau OK). Logs will also be uploaded to LotW.

5N, NIGERIA. Bodo, DF8DX (ex-DL3OCH and 5N0OCH), will once again be active as 5N7Q from Abuja between March 7-14th. He is there for maintenance work on a broadcast station. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using one of the largest fully rotatable huge broadcasting antennas on modes CW and SSB. Bodo informs OPDX, "In the past, I had alot of QSOs on 80m, even though the antennas are not really designed for that band. I will try to be active on 80m as often as possible. These antennas that I use have a 20dBi gain on all frequencies from 6-26 MHz. They are optimized as transmitting antennas. They are very broadband tuned and therefore also catch alot of noise. So, whenever there is some QRM or QRN, it's a lot

stronger on my antennas, and I cannot always use them on frequencies below 10 MHz. The QRM is just too high, and I don't copy anything. But there are days where I switch to 80m and the entire band is very calm and noise is only S1. I then had fantastic DX QSOs on 80m. I will try that for sure again, but it's not only depending on me." QSL via DF8DX, direct or by the Bureau. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

6V, SENEGAL (Now 6m!). Members of the Saly Amateur Radio Club Station (ADRASEC) in Mbour will activate the special callsign 6V7SIX to celebrate the newly allocated band 50-51 MHz in Senegal, recently obtained at WRC-12. This is a temporary authorization valid until the new ITU Radio Regulations (WRC-12) come into force, normally by the end of 2012. The 6V7SIX Radio Club operators will be listening to 50.110 MHz (Intercontinental calling frequency) and 50.210 MHz (French calling frequency). The 6V7SIX callsign is the first, and for now, the only station authorized to operate on the 6-meter band in Senegal. 6V7SIX is proud to be sponsored by the UK Six Meter Group (UKSMG) and InnovAntennas. QSL via eQSL and LoTW only.

7P, LESOTHO. Gert, ZS6AYU, will once again be active as 7P8GF between March 8-13th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, CW only and using just 100 watts into a vertical. QSL via ZS6AYU (see QRZ.com).

8Y, GUYANA. Operators Anderson/PY2TNT and Alex/PY2WAS will be active as 8R1PY from Lethem, Guyana, between April 5-8th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL via PY2WAS, direct or by the Bureau.

9Q, DEM. REPUBLIC OF CONGO (Update). Barney, ZS6TQ/ZS4U, will once again be active from here, but this time as 9Q6/ZS4U between March 14th and April 8th (not March 10th and April 5th, as first announced). Activity will be limited as work permits, mainly on the weekends and some days during the week between 1300-1500z. Operations will be on 40/20/15/10/6 meters using dipole antennas and operating CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via K3IRV.

A3, TONGA (Reminder). Sigi, DL7DF, will head up a team of 9 experienced operators to be active as A35YZ between March 7-24th, 2012. Operators menitoned are Manfred/DK1BT, Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Reiner/DL7KL, Sigi/DL7DF, Juergen/DL7UFN, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI. Activity will be active on 160-6 meters using several stations operating on CW, SSB with one station exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau.

BX5, TAIWAN. Jimmy, BX5AA, will be active during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. Jimmy states that BX5 is a rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA. Visit his Web page at: http://blog.yam.com/bx5aa

CE0Y, EASTER ISLAND. Tim, NL8F, will be active as CE0Y/NL8F from Easter Island (SA-001) before and after the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). Tim informs OPDX that he is trying to get a CE0Y callsign. Activity outside of the contest will mainly be on 17 and 12 meters, but he does

have capabilities for 80-6 meters. Depending if he can tune on 75 meters, he will try the DX window on the gray-line times. Operations will be mostly SSB and maybe some Digital depending on quiet times. Also, during the contest, he may operate as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry, but if conditions are not right, he will operate as an All-Band entry. He will have an amp with him, but will only use it outside of the contest. Reports indicate that he will be there until March 26th, and may also activate one or two other South American IOTAs before he departs to Chile on April 3rd. QSL as of press time is via his home callsign, but this may change. More details are forthcoming.

CR2, AZORES (Going After The EU Record). Operators Martti/OH2BH, Ville/ OH2MM and Juha/OH8NC have decided (in spite of relative poor prediction) to put the 1991 EU record to rest. Listen for CR2X to be active on all six bands during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via OH2BH.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME (DST). Just a reminder that countries who observe this, Daylight Saving Time will take place on Sunday, March 11th at 2:00 AM, and the clocks are moved forward 1 hour to 3:00:00 AM local time. Daylight Saving Time will end on Sunday, November 4th at 2:00 AM. For the history and details about DST, as well as an interesting map of the world, see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daylight_saving_time

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
VK0TH • Macquarie Island; Current Operation

If you had this operation rejected in a recent application, send a note to bmoore@arrl.org to have your record updated. Note, due to extremely heavy E-mail, DXCC may not respond to your message. Once updated, this will be reflected in your LoTW account and/or in the live, daily DXCC standings on the website. <www.arrl.org/dxcc>

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Operators Graeme/VK4FI and Alan/VK4WR will be active as E51GMH and E51BKM, respectively, from the South Cook Islands between April 8-27th. Graeme informs OPDX that they will activate Rarotonga Island (OC-013) and Aitutaki Island (OC-083). Their main band of interest is 6 meters, and for the HF bands, 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters. They will use and IC-706 and a FT-450 into a 5 element Yagi for 6m and a OCF Dipole. Modes will be CW and SSB only, no amplifiers - 100 watts only. QSLs go to VK4FI (see QRZ.com info - 2 USDs for postage).

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Carlo/IK1HJS, Manuel/EA8ZS, Pekka/OH1RY/ EA8AH and Juan/EA8CAC will be active as EF8R from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Jaime, WP3A, will be active as EF8C during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via NP3O. Look for more info on: http://kp2b.net

GI100, NORTHERN IRELAND (Special Event). During the month of April, look for special event station, GI100MGY, to be active from the RMS Titanic's home city of Belfast. The suffix, MGY, was the callsign of the ill-fated ship, which was launched from Belfast in May 1911. The special prefix, GI100, was allocated to the "Project WhiteStar" special event team by Ofcom, the UK regulator. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using all modes. On April 15th, there will be a 2 minute station silence at 01:47 am, the exact time when the vessel sank, in memory of all those who lost their lives that night. On the evening of 14th and 15th, most of the operations will be on CW. QSL via GI4FUE direct or by the RSGB Bureau (details are on QRZ.com).

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-175. (Update/Change) NEW IOTA! Look for an Indian team to be active using the callsign AT2DW (not ATBDW as announced) from Bet Dwarka Island (Bet Shankhodar) between March 15-31st. This island is in the Gujerat State West IOTA Group and has never been activated before. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are Sarla/ VU2SWS (Group Leader), Milind/VU2IZO, Nand/VU2NKS, Deepak/ VU2CDP, Basappa/VU2NXM, Laxman/VU2LX and Lion/VU2JHM. More details and a Web page are forthcoming.

OC-221. Joppy, YB8XM, and a team of 17 operators (from five different Provinces - Jakarta, West Java, Banten, Papua, and Maluku [Ambon]) will be active as YB8Y from Ohoiew Island located in the Kai Island IOTA group between March 20-27th. Activity will be on all bands, 160-6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The team plans to be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators and Technicians mentioned are Kazuo/YB0AKM, Wisnu/YB0AZ, Sur/YB0JS, Pri/YB0ECT, Triadi/ YB0KVN, Sugiyanto/YB0BUI, Dadang/YBB0TD (Team Leader), Jo/ YC0LOW, YL Laily/YC0TSU, Tonny/YB0YJ, Joz/YD1JZ, Eddy/YD1XUH, Yon/YB1CCF, Jel/YB1GJS, Faisal/YB1PR, Januar/YB9YZ (Team Leader), Ronny/YB9WR, YB9VBS, YB9VA, Tatang/YB1MH, Danu/ YD1GCL, Kasmuri/YD1MRI, Rizal/YD1ORZ, Joppy/YB8XM, (Team Leader), Marthin/YB8VM, Eka/YC0VKI, YC0LLY, YC0KVM, YL Susana/ YD1LUX and guest Op Sadao/WK1S/JA1PBV. QSL via YB1GJS, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see: http://yb8y.com

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For March). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of March:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Blacon, Chesterfield, in Cheshire, by Mike/ M1DAP.(/A WAB Square ◆J36 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).
MX1SWL/A - Operated from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom/G3RPV. (/A WAB Square ◆L27 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).

For more information, see <http://www.iswl.org.uk> or QRZ.com and eQSL.cc

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 5-11th)....
Mar/05th AN-HN Mar/08th AN Mar/10th AN
Mar/06th HN Mar/09th AN Mar/11th AN-HN
Mar/07th HN-AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Harry, W6DXO, will once again be active as KP2/W6DXO from Cruz Bay, St. John Island (NA-106), between April 18-23rd. He informs OPDX that this is his fourth time there. Activity will be holiday style operation, and he states, "Because this is not a real DXpedition, but rather Ham radio tacked on to a snorkeling trip I'll be traveling light: IC706IIG and a vertical antenna. I've used this set up all over the world with great success and it fits into a simple roller suitcase. I'll concentrate on 17m and 20m SSB and CW." QSL via KF6JOQ.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

MJ, JERSEY. Operators Craig/K3PLV and Pete/K8PT will once again be active as MJ/K3PLV and MJ/K8PT, respectively, from Jersey starting March 27th through April 3rd. They will have amplifiers and directional antennas on most HF bands and will have the capability to operate 160-2 meters using modes CW, SSB, RTTY and perhaps some PSK. Please QSL to their home calls. For more information or to explore skeds, contact Pete, K8PT, at: k8pt@arrl.net

NH8/S, SWAINS ISLAND (Excerpts from a Press Release). Operators Joe/W8GEX and Craig/K9CT will lead a multi-international team of operators to the rare DX entity Swains Island (OC-200) in September (their Web page states September 4-18th). Joe and Craig are the same co-leaders of the very successful PJ7E DXpedition on 10-10-10, and were also part of the team that re-activated Midway Island (K4M) in 2009. Swains Island is ranked number 31 on the "DX Magazine's Most Wanted Survey" and number 30 on the "ClubLog's Most Wanted list". Because of the anticipated demand, a highly experienced team of 20 operators has been formed. The team will operate six stations over a 14 day period, from 160-6 meters on all modes, using the callsign NH8S. A great emphasis will be put on Europe where it is most needed. The current list of team members include Joe/AA4NN, Norbert/DJ7JC, Dietmar/DL3DXX, Massimo/I8NHJ, Alan/K5AB, John/K6MM, Kevin/K6TD, Craig/K9CT, Fred/KH7Y, Lou/N2TU, Arnold/N6HC, Mark/NA6M, Tom/ND2T, Garry/NI6T, Hawk/SM5AQD, George/W4BUW, Charles/W6KK, Joe/W8GEX, David/WB4JTT and Jerry/WB9Z. Swains is a privately owned island, and the only way to get there is from American Samoa via a ship. The time frame of this operation may not be the best for the low bands, but dates are dictated by transportation and weather. The team of international operators will first gather in Honolulu and then travel to American Samoa together. Landing

permission has been granted for the tent and generator operation by the owner for this timeframe. A Web page is currently under construction by team member John, K6MM, which will provide updates as they become available at: http://www.nh8s.org
There are no communication systems on Swains, but logs will be uploaded daily via satellite phone. Later, the group will also have an OQSL link on the Web site for easy QSLing. All equipment must be sent from the U.S. via cargo ship in June. Location, transportation, island costs, and other logistics make this a costly trip. Therefore, donations are very much appreciated. Details of how to donate to help defray their expenses are on the Web site. The team wants to thank ICOM who will be supplying IC7600s for their use. Also, they would like to thank Joe, AA4NN, who will be their QSL Manager, and to Carl, N4AA, Editor of "The DX Magazine" who will sponsor the log search.

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Randy/N0TG, Jeff/N1SNB and Ron/AA4VK will be active as NP2/homecall from St. Croix (NA-106) between March 7-14th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. This will also include CW and SSB on 60 meters. QSL for all callsigns are via N0TG, direct or by the OQRS (Details via <www.N0TG.com>).

P4, ARUBA. Operators Scott/K0DQ, Ed/N4OC and John/W6LD/P40L will be active as P40L from Aruba (SA-036) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via WA3FRP.

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from Aruba (SA-036) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). He will be on Aruba between March 20-27th. Operations outside of the contest are usually on 160m and 30/17/12 meters as time permits. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2MM. Logs will be loaded on LoTW upon his return to the USA.

P4, ARUBA. Operators XYL Hiroko/JH3PBL, Masumi/JA3AVO and two other operators will be active from the on Aruba (SA-036) between May 9-14th. Operations will be from "Cook's Radio Retreat" <http://www.p49v.com>. XYL Hiroko/JH3PBL, Masumi/JA3AVO will be active as P40U (SSB) and P40X (CW, Digital), respectively. The other two operators have their callsigns pending and will operate SSB only. QSL via their home callsigns. For more details and updates, watch Masumi's Blog page at: http://ja3avo.blog81.fc2.com

PZ, SURINAME. Serge, RX3APM, will once again be active as PZ5P between March 21-26th. Activity will include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UA4LU or LOTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 2nd)

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4KT4K via 4K4K EM80L via US0LW ON50HC via ON3AIM
5B4AIF via EB7DX G3V via G3VER R1FJ/UA0ABO via UA0ABO
AO3MWC via EA3RKB GB4R via M0DOL VE2CSI via M0URX

C5LT via F5RAV HC2SE via W7SE VP2MDD via M0AEP
DJ9A via DJ9VA KL7J via N3SL VP2V/N9SW via N9SW
EA7/PE1DMH via PE1DMH LZ12FDAY via LZ-Bureau YN5ZO via K7ZO
EE5GUI via EA5GUI N4C via W0UCE
EH7MDA via EA7URM NH7O via EA5GL

NAVASSA LOG. Hutch, NK0S, reports, "I am currently converting the (1982) paper logs for KP2A/KP1 to be uploaded to LoTW."

NOT THE MANAGER. Kappy, WA4WTG, reports that he is receiving cards for 9K2MU. Kappy says he is NOT the QSL Manager for this station and has never been. It appears that 9K2MU does direct QSLing for all contacts. Do NOT send 9K2MU QSL requests to WA4WTG.

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 9800 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- NEW!!!! As of February 17th, 2012, Malyj Vysotskij is listed on the deleted entities. You can find a large collection of 4J1 and R1M QSLs at: http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/galerie/galerie.php?page=stdel If you have some other cards for this entity, your help will be very appreciated! Many thanks in advance. The paper card is not needed, only a scan in a .jpg format both sides (300ppi is OK).
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2011) with more than 300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than 1300+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more than 3500+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from North Africa 1945-1962 (300+ QSLs)
- More than 850 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 270 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises).
- More than 300 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- The FG, FM, FP, FS, FY stations from 1945 to 1970
- More than 1400 cards for the old timer with more than 120 countries before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- At least one card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.

The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your particip-ation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@free.fr

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 8P6ER, AL1G, AL9A, C6AKQ, C6ANM, CT1IUA, CU2AF, CX9AJ, DH3MIT, DL1EK, DL5AN, E7DX, EA3CI, EF8R, EF8USA, EI1DG, EV1R, F6DKQ, F8DZU, GM7R, GW6W, HG7T, HU2DX, HA7PF, HK1R, HK3R, HK3TU, HP1WW, HR5/NQ5W, IR4M, IU2R, JA1YPA, KH6/AA4V, KH6CW, KH6LC, KH7T, KH7X, KL7J, KL7RA, KL8DX, LN8W, LS1D, MJ/K3PLV, OD5PY, OE6MDF, OH7AAC, OH7M, OH0Z,

P49Y, PJ2/W2UP, PJ2T, PS2T, PV8DX, S50O, S50R, S51DX, S53M, SK3W, SM0W,
TM6M, RV9DC, SP3GXH, TI5/KT0A, V31RR, VA3MJR, VP5B, WL7E, WP3A, XE2X
and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4O3A, 9M2MRS, A71BU, C6AXR, CE4A, CO0OM,
FK8CP, FP/W6HGF, GJ6UW, KP2A/KP1, SU8JOTA, TN2T, ZC4LI and ZD8Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D2A, 3D2DX, 3D2R, 6V7Z, 6W/AA1AC,
6Y1V, 9Q50O, 9X0TL, 9Y4W, C21YY, EA6IB, ET3AA, EY7AF, EY8/K4ZW, EZ8AZ,
FJ/OH2YL, FR1LB, H44WG, HD2M, HZ1EX, JT1/K4ZW, JW7QIA, OX3KQ, PJ2/N2MF,
PJ2/W5MPC, SV9/LZ3FN, TM5B, TM5SM, TO6T, VP2E/W1UE, VP2MSC, VP2MXO,
ZC4MIS, ZD8O and ZF1EJ

T48, CUBA. Members of the Federaci&#65533;n de Radioaficionados de Cuba's
in Las Tunas, eastern Cuba, will once again activate T48K. This time
it will be during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-
Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via DK1WI.

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update). J&#65533;rgen "Joe", 5Q2J/OZ2JBC, as now active as
T6JP. Joe is an electronic mechanic in the Danish Army. He told OPDX
that he will be there until late July. Activity will be on 80-10 meters
depending on the conditions. However, due to background noise, Joe will
work primarily on 20-10 meters using RTTY, PSK and SSB, with a Yaesu
FT-857D (100W). See important QSL info for direct and Bureau QSLs at:
http://oz2jbc.dk/page3.html
Log will be uploaded monthly to eQSL and LoTW.

TT8, CHAD. YL Elvira, IV3FSG, will be active as TT8ES from D'Jamena
until March 18th. Activity will be on the HF Bands using SSB and the
Digital modes. Most of her activity this past week has been on 20/15
meters. QSL via IK3GES.

TG, GUATEMALA. Javier, HR2J, will be active as TG7/HR2J during the ARRL
DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power
entry. QSL via HR2J or LoTW.

TZ, MALI. Members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" will be active as
TZ5T from Mali between April 12-27th. Operators mentioned are Silvano/
I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/IK2HKT.
The Software Management (real-time log online) by Giacomo/IH9GPI and the
Pilot station is Art/IK7JWY. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW,
SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3505, 7005, 10106, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 3780, 7056/7180, 14195, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7041, 10142, 14080, 18103, 21080, 24915 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50105 kHz CW, SSB and Beacon

QSL via I2YSB direct to: Silvano Borsa, Viale Capettini 1, 27036 Mortara,
Italy. QSL by Bureau to IK2CIO. A OQRS is available online at their Web
page. Official website: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum: http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?fe
Further notices will follow.

V2, ANTIGUA. Operators Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will be active as V21FS and V21ZG, respectively, from the Villa Sundowners near Pottery Village between March 5-31st. Activity will be on 15-6 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. V21ZG will look especially for JA and QRP stations. QSL via DL7AFS, direct or by the Bureau (DARC). Visit the Web site at: http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs

VK0/M, MACQUARIE ISLAND (Last Chance!). Trevor, VK0TH, announced on QRZ.com on February 25th: "Only 4 weeks of operations left on Macquarie Island.... ... Will post a schedule and frequencies for those wanting to get VK0/M in the log before operations cease. The incoming team (2012) have no Amateur Operators so it will be at least May 2013 possibly longer before Macquarie activates again."

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Mark, WA0MHJ, will be active as VP5/WA0MHJ after the ARRL DX SSB Contest between March 5-7th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, as well as 6 meters, using CW and RTTY. QSL via LoTW or via WA0MHJ, direct or by the Bureau. ADDED NOTE: Mark will team up with Glenn/W0GJ and Scott/K0MD to be active as VP5H during thee ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL VP5H via W0GJ. The two operators will also be active outside of the contest signing VP5/homecall.

VP9, BERMUDA. By the time you read this, operators Kurt/W6PH and Tim/N6WIN will be active as VP9/homecall from Ed/VP9GE's QTH on Bermuda (NA-005) until March 5th. The operators plan to be active during the ARRRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry using the callsign VP9I. QSL VP9I and VP9/N6WIN via N6WIN. QSL VP9/W6PH via W6PH direct.

XV, VIETNAM. Retu, OH4MDY (OX3RZ/XU7MDY/XV2MDY), will once again be active as XV2RZ from Southeast Vietnam between March 14th and April 16th. Activity is usually on 80-6 meters using the "normal modes" (CW and SSB). However, Retu states that this time he will focus on the Digital modes. QSL only direct via OH4MDY with a SASE and 2 USDs. His log will be available online at: http://www.clublog.org

YN, NICARAGUA. Scott, K7ZO, who has been in Nicaragua since February 25th, visiting his son, is now active as YN5ZO until March 5th. He plans to be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Single-Op/All-Band.Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to K7ZO.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th, 2012)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2012 ARRL DX SSB Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxs2012.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxsd2012.html (By entity)

Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

5Z4EE Kenya SOAB HP NV7E
6V7T Senegal F5RAV Direct
8P5A Barbados SOAB HP LoTW
8P9CI & 8P9CK Barbados W1USN and AA1M
BX5AA Taiwan SOSB 15M BX5AA
C6A/W2ML Bahamas W2ML; QSL via Buro or direct
C6ANM Bahamas M/2 LoTW
C6AZZ Bahamas SOSB 20M K4IIO
CR2X Azores M/S OH2BH
CR3L Madeira M/S DJ6QT
E2E Thailand SOAB HP HS0AC
ED1R Spain M/2 EA4RCH
ED5T Spain M/? EA5ELT
EF8R Canary Islands M/S LoTW
HI3K Dominican Republic M/S KB2MS
IO1O Italy M/S IK5RLP
J37K Grenada SO LoTW; QSL via AC8G direct
J7Y Dominica K1LI
J88DR St. Vincent SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via G3TBK, Buro/direct
KP2MM Virgin Islands SOAB LoTW
LS1D Argentina M/S LoTW
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB LX2A
NH0S/KH2 Guam SOAB HP JF2SKV
P40L Aruba M/S WA3FRP
P40V Aruba M/? AI6V Direct
PT5T Brazil M/? PP5EG
TG7/HR2J Guatemala SOSB 40M LoTW; QSL via HR2J
TG7/NC2N Guatemala LP LoTW; QSL via W3HNK or RW6HS
TI5N Costa Rica M/2 LoTW; QSL via W3HNK
TI8M Costa Rica M/2 TI2KAC
T48K Cuba M/S DK1WL
TO11A Guadeloupe F8HMQ
TO5A Martinique SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via F5VHJ, Buro/direct
V31YK Belize SO DL2AYK
V31YN Belize LoTW; QSL via DJ4KW, Buro/direct
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis SOAB LoTW; QSL via W5JON
VP5H Turks & Caicos Islands M/S W0GJ
VP9I Bermuda M/S N6WIN Direct
YN5ZO Nicaragua SOAB LP K7ZO

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
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DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

260. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 2 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 17:23:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5186e3c92e66f04ba45d625@google.com>
Source record: 3527
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1803 March 2 2012

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 08:34 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336154-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1803--March-2-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1803 ☐ March 2 2012

CLOSED CIRCUIT ADVISORY:

The following closed circuit advisory is not necessarily for air. With
some words about our new website presence and the latest from the Newsline
Support Fund here☐s our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

261. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 2 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 17:24:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934062b9b761f04ba45d979@google.com>
Source record: 3528
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Danube River Islands Explorer

Posted: 02 Mar 2012 03:57 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336176-Danube-River-Islands-Explorer&goto=newpost

Activators and hunters

visit:

http://danube-islands-explorer.blogspot.com

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Merit Badge in a Day and a HamTo Stay / Special Event K3B March 31, - Apr. 1, 2012

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 06:44 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336145-Merit-Badge-in-a-Day-and-a-HamTo-Stay-Special-Event-K3B-March-31-Apr-1-2012&goto=newpost

NOTICE: as of 3/1/2012 at 8:46pm

Herb KB3REA has announced that we have 100 Registered Boy Scouts + 12 Adult Scout leaders for the Merit Badge in a Day and a HamTo Stay / Special Event K3B!! Plenty of Room for more!!

http://cambriaradio.com/Radio_Merit_Badge.php

Thank You to SHEETZ

for providing lunch during our

Merit Badge In A Day Project.

"a hometown hero"

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Special Event K3B March 31 - April 1 Merit Badge and a Ham to Stay heating up!!!

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 06:41 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336144-Special-Event-K3B-March-31-April-1-Merit-Badge-and-a-Ham-to-Stay-heating-up!!!&goto=newpost

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http://cambriaradio.com/Radio_Merit_Badge.php

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WWSA 2011 CW Contest Results

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:03 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336111-WWSA-2011-CW-Contest-Results&goto=newpost

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This is to report all partitipants and friends that the WWSA 2011 CW Contest Results are ready to html read or pdf download with pictures.

Visit the WWSA CW Contest Web Site

http://www.wwsatest.org

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Balloon launch in Mexico 3 March 2012 18:00 UTC

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 08:49 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336002-Balloon-launch-in-Mexico-3-March-2012-18-00-UTC&goto=newpost

Tri-Band balloon to be launched in North of Mexico next Saturday March 3rd 2012

Monterrey NL, Mexico,

The ☐Asociacion de Radio Experimentadores del Estado de Nuevo Leon (ARNL)☐ (An A.R.C. Group) informs about their plans to launch an experimental balloon with a 3 band beacon (2m-6m-10m) as per commemorative events of the 80th anniversary of the national ☐Federación Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores, FMRE☐ Amateur Radio unity group which they are part of.

The purpose of this exercise will be purely experimental and all Ham community is encouraged to participate and send reports during the whole flight event.

The transmitter will rotate TX on the following freqs:

2m 144.200 MHZ mode: CW

6m 50.090 MHZ mode: CW

10m 28.055 MHZ mode: CW

TX power will be 100mW on each band, its recommended that listeners consider a few Hertz deviation due to atmosphere temperature changes during flight

The balloon will carry a GPS enabled microprocessor that will transmit XE2NL/B and both the ALTITUDE and the GRID LOCATOR code in CW at all times

Hams are asked to report RST and copied MSG from the device and email them immediately on published email on the XE2NL QRZ webpage ☐ The stations sending reports will receive a commemorative QSL Card from this event ☐

At this moment, the launch is scheduled to be done on Saturday March 3rd 2012 at noon (12:00pm CST) (18:00 GMT) near the city of Monterrey, NL Mexico.

the estimated duration of flight is 2 hours minimum.

Please visit XE2NL in QRZ webpage days before launch, as launch day approaches, we will communicate of any itinerary (TIME) or frequency (FREQ) changes

Sincerely, The ARNL team

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6V7SIX: 6m band in Senegal, it's a go!

Posted: 29 Feb 2012 09:37 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?335916-6V7SIX-6m-band-in-Senegal-it-s-a-go!&goto=newpost

As of March 1st, 2012, the Saly Amateur Radio Club station (ADRASEC Senegal) will be allowed to operate with the callsign 6V7SIX on the band 50-51 MHz. This is a temporary authorization valid until the new ITU Radio Regulations (WRC-12) come into force, normally by the end of 2012. A dual watch of 50.110 MHz (Intercontinental calling frequency) and 50.210 MHz (French calling frequency) will be performed by the Radio Club operators. Watch for the next opening on the Magic Band and call us!

Francois Normant, 6W7RT

President of ADRASEC Senegal

IARU R1 National EmComm Coordinator for Senegal

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 21:00:27 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <a0cabb92-0196-44f5-b87c-1664a05efa85@do4g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3529
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Feb 29, 12:15 pm, Mark Morgan <m...@nospam4me.invalid> wrote:
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fanboi fakery

263. eHam.net News for Friday 2 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-02 23:18:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d7f88a76004ba4ac9fd@google.com>
Source record: 3530
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Tune in to Amateur Radio Society Rally:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 04:22 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27823

HILLSBOROUGH: The Lagan Valley Amateur Radio Society will be holding its annual Rally tomorrow (Saturday) at the Hillsborough Village Centre.

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Amateur Radio Club to Host 'Pelican Island Special Event':

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 04:22 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27822

WABASSO -- Vero Beach Amateur Radio Club is hosting its fifth annual "Pelican Island Special Event" on March 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to commemorate the 109th Anniversary of the Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge, our country's first National Wildlife Refuge. The event will be located on the Wabasso Causeway Park (County Road 510) between the Wabasso bridge and U.S. 1. Formed in 1961 with 11 members, the Vero Beach Amateur Radio Club has grown to more than 50 members and includes all of Indian River County. Since its onset, the club has been helping our community with communications assistance both to non-profit organizations during fundraisers and our government in times of emergency. Amateur Radio is both a hobby and an emergency service. As the American Radio Relay League comments, "Ham radio provides the broadest and most powerful wireless communications capability available to any private citizen anywhere in the world."

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Rural Affairs Committee Agrees That Proposed Antenna Rules Need Tweaking:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 04:22 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27821

OTTAWA -- Proposed rules for where private radio operators can put their antennas need another look, council's rural-affairs committee said Thursday morning, two days after the planning committee said the same thing. The city can't actually control the placement of antennas, private or commercial, because they're regulated by Industry Canada. But the federal department does give municipalities a chance to comment when it's making decisions and the rules describe what the city thinks is OK. They're aimed at restricting big and intrusive installations while staying out of the way

of small ones, but amateur radio operators warned city councillors that they don't quite hit the mark. Antennas on residential properties would be exempt from public consultations as long as they're under 15 metres tall and at the back of a house. The radio operators said that actually leaves little room for a working antenna above many trees and roofs, it unduly restricts unobtrusive antennas that would be less visible in front yards than telephone wires, and it doesn't distinguish between an urban house and a rural one, where neighbours might be much too far away to care which yard has an antenna in it.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #09:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 03:02 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27820

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:59 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27819

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Publishes New Guidelines for 60-Meters:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 03:02 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27818

Thanks to the FCC's Report and Order issued November 18, 2011, radio amateurs will enjoy a number of new privileges on the 60 meter band, beginning at midnight (EST) March 5. These new privileges include a boost in effective radiated power from 50 to 100 W, as well as the ability to use CW and certain digital modes.

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W1AW Video Tour Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:59 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27817

In case you missed the live web tour of W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Station at ARRL Headquarters, you can now watch the 18 minute video on the ARRL website. On February 12, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, led Emmy Award-winning meteorologist Geoff Fox, K1GF, on a tour of the famed station. Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of the New Day Group
http://www.newdayhd.com/ followed Carcia as he led Fox

and viewers through the station, recording it for viewers to watch.

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Malyj Vysotskij Island Added to DXCC Deleted Entities List:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:58 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27816

According to the Finnish Ministry of Transportation and
Communication, the Saimaa Canal Treaty between Finland and Russia has
been finalized by relevant Finnish and Russian authorities through
ratification.

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Nominations for ARRL Awards Now Open:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 03:00 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27815

Each year, the ARRL Board of Directors has the opportunity to select
recipients for a number of awards in various categories that honor
Amateur Radio operators. The nomination period is now open for the ARRL
awards that are designed to recognize educational and technological
pursuits in Amateur Radio, as well as an award to honor a young Amateur
Radio operator.

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ARRL in Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:58 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27814

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that
the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which
covers the month of February -- takes a look the 2012 World
Radiocommunication Conference, a new law that has a provision for an
Amateur Radio study, new rules for 60 meters, happenings at W1AW, a new
movie that features Amateur Radio, reports from the Official Observer
Desk and more.

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March Qualifying Runs:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:58 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27813

The W1AW and West Coast Qualifying Runs were inadvertently left out of
the March 2012 issue of QST. Here is the missing information:

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Former RAC President Earle Smith, VE6NM (SK):

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:57 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27812

Earle Smith, VE6NM, of Grand Prairie, Alberta -- who served as President of the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) from 2004-2007 -- passed away Friday, February 24. He was 81. An active radio amateur since 1948, first licensed as VE1SA, Smith enjoyed meeting amateurs from all over Canada and the world. "Earle was well respected by Amateur Radio operators both within Canada and internationally," said current RAC President Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW.

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ARNewsline Report 1803 -- March 2 2012:

Posted: 01 Mar 2012 02:57 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27811

The following is a QST. Bad batteries may have lead to the loss of communications of a ham radio balloon from Texas to China. Also, Australia begins an evaluation program to see if its hams should be granted a power increase to a full kilowatt; Hams in Senegal to get access to 6 meters; M V Island is deleted from the DXCC and the role of social media in times of emergency reporting. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1803 coming your way right now.

264. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 3 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-03 11:35:00 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2352f5460f3b04ba55144f@google.com>
Source record: 3531
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Challenge at QRPiC 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sl6LsDpSBDM/challenge_at_qrpic_2012.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim Walford G3PCJ invites entries for an informal construction challenge to
be held at QRPiC 2012 on July 15th at Upton Bridge Farm, near Langport,
Somerset

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SSTV and Crossband Repeaters on glider and balloon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UVCadBcjaZA/sstv_and_crossband_repeater
s_on_glider_and_balloon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

SSTV and a crossband repeater payload developed by AMSAT-LU will be flown
on a Glider and a High Altitude Balloon on March 3 and 17

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Around the world 28 MHz CW balloon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WP6Dd1Ywhno/around_the_world_28_mhz_cw_
balloon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob Bruninga WB4APR brings news of an around the world balloon attempt on
March 5/9 that'll carry a CW transmitter on 28.223 MHz

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R24SmK-O8TE/dxcc_report_0303.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Saturday,
25th-February, through Friday, 2nd-March, there were 221 countries active

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G185m0sIQBs/march_03.htm?utm_source=fee

dburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot number this week was down 12 points from the previous
week. Solar flux was about the same

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National Radio Centre opens its doors

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zo1lox60oCo/national_radio_centre_opens
_its_doors.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park opened its doors for the first
time on Saturday 25 February

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Tallest Broadcast Tower

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/l2odG7vLi4A/tallest_broadcast_tower.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The world's tallest free-standing broadcast tower has been completed in
Japan

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'CQ Egypt' Amateur Radio Magazine

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4-HirA44cqI/cq_egypt_amateur_radio_maga
zine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 6th issue of CQ EGYPT Amateur Radio Magazine is now available to
download on ERASD site

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KeZqDQnLo04/march_03.htm?utm_source=fee
dburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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New RSGB VHF Manager

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GMuNOnVBnHo/new_rsgb_vhf_manager.htm?ut
m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Society of Great Britain is pleased to announce that Terry
Stevens, G8DKS has been appointed VHF Manager, with immediate effect

265. SARL News in English 3/3/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-03 16:54:20 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <8C97BCDD8E4F4573B23E9523B64FD862@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3532
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 04 MARCH 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with sadness and shock that the sudden termination of the life of Rodger Gadsden, ZS5FX, last weekend, must be announced.

Roger was fatally shot in his Crestholme home, by a family friend who then shot himself and died later of his injuries.

Roger was an active member of the Durban amateur radio fraternity, a true gentleman and helpful in his community.

Our sincerest condolences to his relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

SARL AND ICASA AGREE ON HOW TO EXAMINE REGULATIONS

PAY YOUR LICENSE FOR 5 YEARS AND SAVE

JOIN INTECNET NEXT SUNDAY 11 MARCH

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL AND ICASA AGREE ON HOW TO EXAMINE REGULATIONS

The South African Radio League and ICASA have agreed on how to examine for the regulations part of the Radio Amateur Examination in the May 2012 exam. The SARL has prepared an examination paper with questions that cover regulations that are common to the old and the new

regulations. Because of inaccuracies in the new regulations the SARL proposed this as a compromise until the revisions to the 1 April 2011 regulations have been gazette. At the quarterly liaison meeting held on Thursday last week, ICASA accepted the SARL proposal.

ICASA also informed the meeting that the revisions to the regulations are ready to be gazetted and should be published after a court case with one of the cellular companies about the fee structure has been concluded. The case is being heard in court on 6 March 2012.

PAY YOUR LICENSE FOR 5 YEARS AND SAVE

ICASA confirmed that when the amateur radio license is due for payment on 1 April radio amateurs will have the option of paying for 5 years saving the hassle of paying annually and saving on the fee. The annual fee is R120 but for R501 you can get the license for 5 years. Irrespective of what the ICASA invoice states, by paying R501 will automatically renew your license for five years. There is however no refund should the person give up his license for what ever reason.

A general misconception is that license fees accrue to ICASA, they do not. The fees go to Treasury. ICASA is funded from the annual budget allocated by Treasury to the DOC.

JOIN INTECNET NEXT SUNDAY 11 MARCH

The next interactive technical net or SARL Intecnet will be held on Sunday evening 11 March at 19:30 with Vincent Harrison, ZS6BTY, as guest speaker. The subject will be antennas. Vincent will look at HF antennas to work DX including dipoles, verticals and small beams. He will focus on the effect of the height above ground, radiation patterns and take off angles. He will also briefly touch on antennas for 80 and 160 metres. A PowerPoint presentation will be made available on www.sar.org.za a few days before the intecnet.

Clubs wishing to link their repeaters to the conference bridge should send details to artoday@sarl.org.za before next Wednesday.

AUSTRALIA'S REGULATOR AND WIA TO STUDY TO SEE IF VK AMATEURS SHOULD HAVE 1 kW POWER LIMIT

Advanced class radio amateurs in Australia are being invited to take part in a study to see whether it is possible to raise the power limit down-under to a full kilowatt. This, as the Australian Communications and Media Authority, better known as the ACMA, publishes details of the trial of higher power transmitter output on its website. Michael Owen, VK3KI, the President of the Wireless Institute of Australia says "The ACMA has published on its website details of the trial of higher power transmitter output for Advanced amateur radio licensees. The trial commenced on 1 March 2012 and will continue until 31 August 2013."

The ACMA has advised the WIA that the 18 month authorization is intended to provide the ACMA with time to evaluate the success of the

trial after a 12 month period and to consider permanent regulatory arrangements, if warranted, while avoiding dead air between the evaluation time and the implementation of permanent arrangements. If appropriate, The Wireless Institute of Australia Board of Directors has cautioned those amateurs considering obtaining a higher power permit that this is only a trial. As such, if problems do emerge, it could affect whether amateurs down-under will permanently continue to be able to use the higher power. In particular, if interference is caused to others, the WIA advises that the VK radio amateur involved must immediately do whatever it takes to stop the interference, and must resolve the problem.

SARL TO DISCUSS A REGULATORY ROADMAP AT THE AGM

At the recent Council meeting it was agreed to develop a regulatory roadmap on various license and regulatory issues that need to be discussed and agreed upon for discussion with ICASA. The discussion will be under general at the AGM. Radio Amateurs who would like to make input to the roadmap are invited to send their input to artoday@sarl.org.za by no later than 31 March so that the document can be made available on the web. Please mark the subject line in your email "ROADMAP". If you use an attachment, please make sure that it is in Word.

5 MHz FREQUENCIES COULD BE SOONER IN SA THAN WRC15

At the ICASA/SARL Liaison meeting the SARL proposal to make an interim arrangement to allocate spectrum around 5 MHz to Amateur Radio was discussed.

The WRC12 Resolution COM6/12 was accepted which places the possible allocation to the amateur service on a secondary basis at around 5 300 kHz.

ITU-R (Radiocommunication Sector) was invited to study spectrum requirements for a secondary allocation to the amateur service in the band 5 250 - 5 450 kHz and to carry out studies on the impact to other services currently allocated in the band.

After further discussion it was agreed that the SARL would submit a revised proposal to allocate spectrum in that band to radio amateurs for the purpose of propagation studies in terms of the invitation to ITU-R. The SARL will submit the revised proposal to ICASA within the next week.

NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR THE TINUS LANGE 7066 AWARDS

Submissions are solicited for both the Tinus Lange 7066 Technical Excellence and the Tinus Lange 7066 Junior Technical Excellence Award.

The awards are bestowed annually on the persons who submit a technical project in any of the following categories: Design and/or construction of projects such as a pre-amp, SWR bridge, patching unit, automatic

ID-er, practical antenna ideas, mast, portable gear, power supplies etc.

Any software for use in Amateur Radio.

The submission must include the following: The actual items (if size and mass allows it) or photographs (particularly in the case of antennas, mast etc) A complete write-up in article form with illustrations/pictures ready for publication in Radio ZS.

The Awards: Technical Achievement Award: A framed certificate and a cash award of R350. Junior Technical Achievement Award (under 25 years old): A framed certificate and a cash award of R350,

ENTITY MVI DELETED FROM DXCC HONOR ROLL

According to the Finnish Ministry of Transportation and Communication, the Saimaa Canal Treaty between Finland and Russia has been finalized by relevant Finnish and Russian authorities through ratification.

The Treaty has entered into effect with a date of February 17, 2012.

The result of this treaty is that Malyj Vysotskij Island (MVI), R1M, is no longer included in the Treaty. Thus, MVI will be deleted from the DXCC list as of February 17, 2012, and added to the Deleted Entities List.

This change will affect the Honor Roll numbers as follows:

Honor roll will drop to 340 (down from 341). The entry level Honor Roll number will drop to 331 (down from 332)

CONTEST RESULTS

PEARS National VHF/UHF contest. Here are the preliminary results covering the national winners:

Digital stations. 6 m: ZS5Y - 140 354 4 m: ZS2ACP & ZU6MIC - 1 183 2 m: ZS5Y - 31 716 23 cm: ZS6BNE - 244 points.

Longest distances achieved on digital. 6 m: ZS1LS & ZS6NK - 1 538 km 4 m: ZS2ACP & ZU6MIC - 1 183 km 2 m: ZS1LS & ZS6BUN - 1 268 km, 23 cm: ZS6BNE & ZS6BUN - 244 km.

Analogue base stations. 6 m: ZS1NAZ - 63 666, 4 m: ZS2OC - 383, 2 m: ZS2I - 26 456 70 cm: ZS2BK - 1 544 23 cm: ZS6BNE - 244 points.

Analogue field stations. 6 m: ZS2ABB - 19 392 4 m: ZS2BO - 593 2 m: ZS2VDL - 63 014, 70 cm: ZS2BO & ZS2VDL - 4 416 23 cm: ZS2ABB - 182 points.

Longest distances recorded on analogue. 6 m: ZS1NAZ & ZS6A - 1 278 km 4 m: ZS2BO/ZS2VDL & ZS2Q - 88 km 2 m: ZS5Y & ZS6BUN - 476 km 70 cm: ZS5Y & ZS6BNE - 244 km 23cm: ZS5Y & ZS6BNE - 244 km.

Limited Category. 6 m: ZS2E - 1 982 2 m: ZS2U - 16 060 70 cm: ZR2T - 2 096 points.

Special congratulations must go to a newbie Michelle Badenhorst, ZU6MIC, of Polokwane for her achievements as national co-winner on 4 metres digital, as well as divisional winner on 2 metres analogue and digital.

A complete list of divisional winners and runners up plus all other scores will be posted in due course on the SARL VHF Forum.

FORTHCOMING COMPETITIONS

Annual SARL Hamnet 40 m Simulated Emergency Contest. This contest will be on the air this afternoon from 12:00 - 14:00 UTC or 14:00 to 16:00 CAT. It is a SSB only contest on 40 metres. There are four classes of participation - Class A: Single Operator Stationary Mobile; Class B: Single Operator Portable; Class C: Multi-Operator Portable and Class D: Single Operator Base Station.

The exchange for Class A is a RS report and a serial no starting with 201; for Class B a RS report and a serial no starting with 401, for Class C a RS report and a serial no starting with 601 and for Class D a RS report and a serial no starting with 801. Non-participants will give a RS report and a serial no starting with 001. The score calculation is available in the rules.

Logs must be submitted by 11 March 2012 and can be sent by e-mail to contest@pears.ham-radio-op.net, paper logs can be sent to Hamnet Eastern Cape, Al Akers, ZS2U, 53 Clarence Street, Westering, Port Elizabeth 6025.

The SARL March Madness YL Sprint. This sprint celebrates International Women's Day on 8 March, but because this is not a public holiday, the Sprint will be run from 09:00 to 10:00 UTC (11:00 to 12:00 CAT) on Saturday 10 March.

It is a phone sprint on the 40-metre band and the exchange is a RS report and YL or OM. Contacts between YL stations are worth 5 points. Contacts between YL and OM stations are worth 3 points and contacts between OM stations are worth 1 point.

Log sheets must be submitted by 17 March by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or by mail to the Bloemfontein RAC, Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324.

The first leg of the SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital contest will be run over the weekend of 17 and 18 March. More detail in next week's bulletin.

The rules for all the contests can be found in the 2012 Contest Manual.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is expected to be at low levels. New Sunspot 1 427 poses no threat for strong solar flares. The far side of the Sun is however a different story and we hope that the higher activity will rotate towards the Earth.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 44.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m, and especially 15 m, will provide lots of DX fun with 10 m only opening sporadically due to the low solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

04 March - This afternoon - SARL Hamnet Simulated Emergency Contest from 12:00 - 14:00 UTC or 14:00 to 16:00 CAT. 10 March - SARL March Madness YL Sprint from 09:00 to 10:00 UTC (11:00 to 12:00 CAT). 11 March - Intecnet at 19:30 CAT. 17/18 March - SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital contest. 30 March - Last day to submit items on regulatory issues for discussion with ICASA to artoday@sarl.org.za. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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266. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 3 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-03 17:43:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f23586b0f2d9904ba5a3c48@google.com>
Source record: 3533
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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YB8Y - ORARI IOTA DXPedition to Ohoiew Island, Kei kecil Islands OC-221

Posted: 03 Mar 2012 07:33 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336351-YB8Y-ORARI-IOTA-DXPedition-to-Ohoiew-Island-Kei-kecil-Islands-OC-221&goto=newpost

Hello DXers,

We want to inform you that we are ready to use YB8Y for IOTA DXPedition to Ohoiew Island, Kei Kecil Islands Maluku Tenggara Indonesia (OC-221). We will fly to that Island in 19 mach 2012, and we will be on the air on all HF bands from 160m to 6m all modes SSB CW and RTTY on 20 march until 26 March 2012

The oprs such as :

Wis-YB0AZ, Sur-YB0JS, Pri-YB0ECT, Triadi-YB0KVN, Yanto-YB0BUI, Jo-YC0LOW, YL/Laiy-YC0TSU, Joz-YD1JZ, Edy-YD1XUH, Yon-YB1CCF, Jel-YB1GJS, Fal-YB1PR, John-YB9YZ, Ron-YB9WR, Tatang-YB1MH, Dan-YD1GCL, Rizal-YD1ORZ, Jopy-YB8XM and crews : Martin-YB8VM, Eko-YC0VKI, Ujang-YC0LLY, Ria-YC0KVM, Nana-YD1LUX and our Guest Opr : Ito-WK1S / JA1PBV.

Our plan we also participate in CQ WW WPX SSB 2012 as Multi Two. The call sign we will use YB8Y.

All QSLs for YB8Y is Via YB1GJS (Please see on www.qrz.com). Also We have website for this event : www.yb8y.com

Thats all,

See you in Pile up guys...!

73 DX,

de Pri, YB0ECT/KB3LWW

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Attention!!! Kite surfer lost on red sea area!!!

Posted: 02 Mar 2012 04:14 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336285-Attention!!!-Kite-surfer-lost-on-red-sea-area!!!&goto=newpost

SOS

To whom it may concerned!!!

Please hear all SOS signals from Jan who has lost in his travel across RED SEA in area of Duba Saudi Arabia-

positioner -2720 kHz and 156,800 MHz voice.

All info send imediately to: rijad.wk.dyzurny@msz.gov.pl

267. eHam.net News for Saturday 3 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-03 23:03:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f23535bf9fc3d04ba5eb38b@google.com>
Source record: 3534
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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MSU Satellite Surpasses Goal; NASA Taps MSU to Queue Up for Another Launch:

Posted: 02 Mar 2012 04:01 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27830

The Montana State University satellite that rode into space on a NASA rocket has now gathered information longer than the historic U.S. satellite it was built to honor, says the director of MSU's Space Science and Engineering Laboratory (SSEL). Almost four months after the Oct. 28 launch and shortly after learning that NASA selected another MSU satellite for possible launch on a NASA rocket next year, SSEL Director David Klumpar cheered as he suddenly realized that Montana's only satellite had collected data for 111 days as of Feb. 15. Since then, the satellite has well surpassed the entire 111-day mission of its history-making predecessor, Explorer-1, the first successful U.S. satellite. Ham radio operators play an important part in the mission because they contact MSU whenever they hear HRBE's "heartbeat," a beep that occurs every 15 seconds, Klumpar said. A map in the Space Operations Center keeps track of those operators. They live in Germany, Australia, Sudan, Japan, all over the United States and the rest of the world.

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James Barry Crosby, AB0WG (SK):

Posted: 02 Mar 2012 04:01 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27829

Osage Beach, Mo. -- James Barry Crosby, son of Wendell Glen and Pansy Carmen Allen Crosby, was born, March 9, 1937 in Parma, Missouri. He departed this life, Wednesday, February 29, 2012, in Lake Regional Hospital, Osage Beach, Missouri at the age of seventy-four years, eleven months and twenty days. James made a profession of faith and was a member of New Testament Christian Church. He was a licensed amateur ham radio operator. He held the highest license issued for amateur radio and morse code. He assisted Camden County in Civil Defense and served as the Assistant Emergency Coordinator. He was a member of the Lake of the Ozarks Amateur Radio Club and the Lebanon Amateur Radio Club. He was also part of the McDonald's breakfast club.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #09 de K7RA:

Posted: 02 Mar 2012 10:49 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27828

With February over, we can look at some of our averages and statistics for the current sunspot cycle. The average daily sunspot number for February 2012 was 50.1, the lowest monthly value since January 2011. The monthly averages for sunspot numbers since January 2011 are 32.2, 53.5, 81.1, 80.8, 61.5, 55.5, 67.2, 66, 106.4, 123.6, 133.1, 106.4, 91.4 and 50.1.

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WWSA 2011 CW Contest Results:

Posted: 02 Mar 2012 10:50 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27827

This is to report all partitipants and friends that the WWSA 2011 CW Contest Results are ready to html read or pdf download with pictures.

268. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 4 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-04 07:20:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e842c05fe7b04ba65a63a@google.com>
Source record: 3535
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Satsuma, AL "Tail-Gator", March 10, 2012

Posted: 02 Mar 2012 01:27 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336263-Satsuma-AL-quot-Tail-Gator-quot-March-10-2012&goto=newpost

The Satsuma, AL "Tail-Gator" will be held at the Fred K. Wright Municipal Park from 8AM to 11AM. Testing for all license classes will take place at 9AM. This is a FREE event for all.

For a brochure via e-mail, contact Bud, KC4HGH at: staceys4@hotmail.com

See y'all there!

73, Bud

269. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 4th March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-04 21:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120304210003.8FDBD33C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3536
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 4th March 2012

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

Tickets for the AGM dinner on Saturday April 21st are selling fast. The event this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, www.ei7dar.com. Dinner tickets are just 32, this is a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. As dinner tickets and rooms are distributed on a first come first served basis, you are encouraged and advised to act now to avoid disappointment. The annual rally, on Sunday April 22nd, will also have its favourites and many new and novel exhibitors. This is a must attend event in the 80th Anniversary year of your national society, www.irts.ie.

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos, EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. The Fairways Hotel can be contacted on 042 9321500 or www.fairways.ie.

Limerick Radio Club

Rally: Limerick Radio Club rally will be held on Sunday March 11th 2012 at the Radisson Blue Hotel on the Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open at 11am and all the usual traders will attend. Bring and Buy tables can be ordered from Dermot Gleeson EI2GT.

CQIR, St. Patrick's Day

The CQIR contest is fast approaching and we are pleased to report that radio news services and contest reflectors worldwide have been giving the event great publicity. Both QST and RadCom have carried feature pieces and we expect a really excellent turnout right around the globe. The Society is appealing to all EI and GI stations to make a special effort to come on the bands, at least for a few hours over the 24 hours of the contest and hand out much needed points and multipliers. Many of the overseas Irish who will be participating will not be contesters but will be taking part to celebrate St Patrick's Day, so even if you are

not a contester yourself, you will find many operators looking to have a bit of a ragchew as well. Paul EI5DI advises that his contest logger SD is now free and unrestricted in CQIR. Entrants should be aware that the Russian DX contest overlaps with CQIR, and Russian stations will send a 2-character district code instead of a serial. SD may be downloaded from ei5di.com, and users should experiment with test logs before the contest. Full rules for the contest are available on the IRTS website. This contest is the international showpiece event for the Society's 80thcelebrations and while we know most of our serious contesters will be making a big effort on the bands we would again ask all stations to join in the festivities over the St. Patrick's weekend.

Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club will meet at Carrigtwohill Community Centre on Tuesday next March 6th at 2030. Following on from last months look at shack logging software, Claus EI7JZ will introduce some more logging programmes.

Cork Radio Club would like to extend a sincere thank you to John Riordan EI6IJ of Buncrana in Co. Donegal for his kind donation of a FT2000D transceiver plus accessories. John, originally from Cork, did his theory course with the club.

Also on Tuesday night, there will be updates on the Titanic special event station EI100T and on the Marconi Day expedition to Brow Head. Plans for the summer field day stations will also be discussed. Cork Club stations won both the CW open section and the SSB restricted section in the IRTS Field Days last year.

New members will be very welcome and further information can be got from club chairman Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710

North Cork Radio Group

1.North Cork Radio Group will be activating Blackrock Castle as part of CASHOTA on the 4th March next 2 - 5pm as EI1NC/P. The Castle's reference is EI009/C. We plan to have a digi station in operation as well as possible satellite contact on the day. If you happen to be in the area, are interested in the hobby, or would like to come and visit us, we would be happy to see you. For those of you that are CASHOTA chasers, we look forward to hearing you on the air!"

2.The North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive. As you may know, Marconi Day is on 21st April this year and we will be operating over the full 24 hour period on this day in order that collectors of the Marconi Award will have the

opportunity to add us to their list. Mizen Head is a beautiful location and well worth a visit.

3.The North Cork Radio Group are also pleased to announce confirmation of their annual rally, to be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork. Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free, as per usual). Raffle tickets will also be available at the door. The usual traders will be present, and anyone wishing to reserve a table, or would be interested in setting up a stall, should contact Edwin Van Mierlo (EI2HEB) on 086 3885741 or via email at ei2heb/at/ ei1nc/ dot/com. More details will be available in the coming months.

Based on the success of our previous rallies, we wish to confirm that all our future rallies will be held each year in September for the foreseeable years. This date will usually be on the Sunday between the GAA All Ireland Hurling and Football finals. All details concerning venue, times etc will be confirmed closer to these dates.

Galway Radio Experimenters

Galway Radio Experimenters Club will be hosting two very interesting presentations at their next club meeting on Monday 12th march at 8.00 Pm in The Anno Santo Hotel, Threadneedle Road, Galway. Details may be seen on our web site www.galwayradio.com.

Larry, EI9CN, will demonstrate the software defined radio, the Flex 5000A and if conditions permit will incorporate CW Skimmer and Logger 32 into his demonstration.

Tom EI3ER will give a short talk on the radio communications surrounding the sinking of the Titanic, the ship's radio station, the ships that worked the Titanic and the radio officers involved.

We heartily invite any amateurs, SWLs or other interested people to come along on the night. This would be particularly interesting for any amateur thinking of going down the Software Defined Radioroute.

Cashota

CASHOTA (Castles and Stately Homes on the Air) will be holding the first Monument Month over April 2012. This annual award event involves activating Monuments which As defined by Wikipedia, a monument is a type of structure either explicitly created to commemorate a person or important event or which has become important to a social group as a part of their remembrance of historic times or cultural heritage, or simply as an example of historic architecture.

Everyone is welcome to participate, with all details of the event, including how to register, being available at

http://www.cashotamonuments.webs.com/, if you require more information contact Steve EI5DD at http://cashota-ireland.org/home.

South East Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of South Eastern Amateur Radio Group took place on Monday 27 February last.

The new committee elected is as follows;

Chairperson: David Gainda (EI6GVB) Vice-chairperson: Francis Lenane (EI5GOB) Secretary: John Ronan (EI7IG) Treasurer: Mark Wall (EI7IS) PRO: Michael Hoban (EI5DCB)

Officers: John McCarthy (EI8JA), Michael Drennan (EI7GH) and Dennis Drennan (EI1629).

The club would like to thank everyone who attended and would like to thank the outgoing committee for their work throughout the past year. Further information is available on the membership page of the clubs web site at www.searg.com

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Summits On The Air

We reported recently on SOTA activations on the Antrim hills by the "two Victors". Last weekend, Victor GI4ONL and Victor MI0JST travelled to the Sperrins, and were heard on Slieve Gallion, Carnanelly and Benbradagh. There was no shortage of callers and, by all accounts, no shortage of wind and rain also.

Phil ON4TA, who is in Connemara at present, is also battling with the elements from time to time. We have heard him on Tonatieva (which is in County Mayo, overlooking Killary Harbour), Derroura and Tully Mountain. Phil has found that from the West of Ireland he has good propagation on 20 metres to mainland Europe.

DX News

A group of Polish amateurs will be active from the Caribbean island of Sint Maarten from 5 - 18 March. The callsign will be PJ7PT and QSL manager is SP9PT.

The husband and wife team of Lot DJ7ZG and Babs DL7AFS return to Antigua starting 5 March. Look for them as V21ZG and V21FS on all bands 160 - 6m.

Gert ZS6AYU pays a short visit to Lesotho from 8 - 13 March where he will operate as 7P8GF. He is followed by Peter EI7CC who will reactivate 7P8PB from 15 March until 3 April. Peter will be operating

as before from the shack of Gerry 7P8CC better known to us as EI8CC.

A large group from Germany and Poland plan to be active from the Pacific island of Tonga from 7 - 24 March.. Callsign is A35YZ and QSL manager is DL7DF.

The Republic of South Sudan has been assigned the callsign prefix block Z8A-Z8Z. The only operation from this new DXCC entity was last July/August when the call was ST0R. Future activations will use the Z8 prefix.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

270. eHam.net News for Sunday 4 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-04 23:14:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934078fd157e704ba72f6a6@google.com>
Source record: 3537
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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High School Sends Balloon to Edge of Space:

Posted: 03 Mar 2012 04:14 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27833

A high-altitude weather balloon jammed with cameras rose far, far higher than jets fly over the weekend, traveling to the edge of space during a journey that thrilled its "pilots" back at San Diego's Mt. Carmel High School. The $90 balloon was sent aloft Saturday by the school's Amateur Radio Club, which tracked it to a point more than 100,000 feet high. The journey lasted 2 hours and 41 minutes, ending when the balloon landed east of the Ocotillo Wells airport. It was recovered by dirt bikers, who declined a $100 reward. "This was a huge success for our students! We are already planning our next project," said John Earnest, the physics teacher who serves as the advisor to the Amateur Radio Club. "We were able to transmit live pictures during flight as well as telemetry data on temperature, pressure, acceleration, position, and altitude. We also had HD video that was retrieved after flight."

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Radio Amateurs Occupy Hughes Center:

Posted: 03 Mar 2012 04:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27832

Radio amateurs will occupy the Hughes Center today as part of the Arkansas River Valley Amateur Radio Foundation's (ARVARF) annual Hamfest event. Hamfest is open to the public and will be conducted from 8 a.m. until noon. Admission is $5. Vendors will offer amateur radio equipment and door prizes. Some of the prizes will include radio equipment, which require a valid amateur radio license to win. "It's a lot of fun," local ham Kenneth Zelnick said. "We get to meet people who we may not know other than a voice on the radio." Radio amateurs, also known as hams, will have the opportunity to purchase new equipment from commercial vendors or older or original equipment from flea market vendors, according to Hamfest chairman and former head of Arkansas Tech University's (ATU) music department Andy Anders. "There's just so much stuff, it's incredible," Anders said. "There's a lot of various radio gear and related things that are going to be on tables to see ... and of course, all you have to do is ask somebody about it, and hams love to talk about their gear."

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Something Good in Memphis:

Posted: 03 Mar 2012 04:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27831

lexander H. Hilliard has been nominated for recognition in MIFA's Something Good in Memphis campaign by Sandra Mathias. Mathias writes: "For 39 years, Alexander H. Hilliard has offered his time, talent and expertise to his community by sharing his knowledge of radios and emergency communications. An active amateur 'ham' radio operator with an extra class license, Hilliard also has a commercial license, is a radio instructor and a volunteer test examiner.

271. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 5 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-05 11:11:27 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934093dbff97e04ba7cfbd1@google.com>
Source record: 3538
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact with Dilworth Elementary School, San Jose, California

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8_L18Dh3Fx4/ariss_event_0503.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Dilworth Elementary School, San Jose, CA on 5 March

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RAMPART CubeSat to use propulsion

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_8Grlpr-a3s/rampart_cubesat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Students at Morehead State University are building an amateur radio CubeSat with a propulsion system that will raise the apogee of its orbit from 500 km to 1200 km

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cu0ICxxMsew/march_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is expected to be at low levels

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Successful ARISS amateur radio space contact for 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis, Greece

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/M6-YcG0AaIc/ariss_event_success_0203.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, March 02, 2012, students from 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis, Katerinis, Greece established an ARISS contact with NASA astronaut Donald R. Pettit KD5MDT onboard the International Space Station

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MURSAT1 - A (Hacker) Space Art Project

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f4d5zGdw9g4/mursat1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A group of Austrian Hackers have built an Amateur Radio satellite MURSAT1 which is planned to launch later this year

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Jura, Islay and Colonsay operations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Kja7yn8h1ZM/jura_islay_and_colonsay_operations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ray M1REK, Mark M0UTD and Tom M0DCG will be operating as GM6TW from The Isle of Jura from 31 March until 6 April 2012

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AT2DW IOTA Dxpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9hkGePjwmMw/at2dw_iota_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sarla Sharma VU2SWS/WU2SWS will be leading a DXpedition to Bet Shankhodar (Bet Dwarka) island IOTA AS-175 on March 15-23, there will be a special QSL card for YL contacts

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Tornadoes Hit Midwest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D34AuqZM-4o/tornadoes_hit_midwest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tornadoes wreaked havoc across the US Midwest Friday with Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Alabama hit by high winds

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OC-199 VK6YS/P activation for IOTA Marathon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9EDNcYmgiZ4/vk6ys_iota_op.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wally VK6YS will be active for a very short 2 day operation from West Lewis island in OC-199 as VK6YS/p from around 1000 UTC 8 March through to 0800 UTC 10 March

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World-wide Iron Ham Contest

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The Araucaria DX Group ADXG has 400 members all fan of DX and Contests.
Their intention is to offer a different alternative to attend some pending
desires in our contest community

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

272. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 4th March 2012

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 4th March 2012

The news headlines:

* Senegal to gain access to the 6m band

* New Planning Advisory Committee Chairman

* Notice of Variations available

Following an application to the Regulatory Agency, Senegal has gained access to the 6m band. 50 to 51MHz has been officially allocated to that nation's amateur service on a Primary basis. This allocation becomes effective when the new ITU Radio Regulations come into force. Any contacts made on 6m before that date have to be considered as unauthorised.

As already announced in RadCom, Len Paget, GM0ONX has asked to stand down from Chairmanship of the Planning Advisory Committee to allow him to concentrate on his Regional role. The Society is grateful to Len for his contribution in the planning role over a number of years. Len will be succeeded by Stephen Purser, G4SHF, who takes up his role with immediate effect. We welcome Stephen back to the PAC and wish him success in the role. He can be contacted by email to PAC.Chairman@RSGB.org.uk.

You can now obtain your Notice of Variation to allow you to use the special prefixes for Queen's Diamond Jubilee and London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. After completing the simple web forms, your NoV will be immediately e-mailed back to you in PDF format. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee NoV applies from 0000BST on 5 May 2012 to 2359BST on 10 June 2012 inclusive. The London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games NoV applies from 0000BST on 21 July 2012 to 2359BST on 9 September 2012 inclusive. Fill in the forms on the RSGB website, www.rsgb.org.

Notices of Variation to amateur radio licences for special research permits to operate in the band 501 to 504kHz have been extended to 31 December 2012. They had been due to expire on 29 February 2012. Ofcom has started discussions with the Radio Society of Great Britain about the timescales for implementing the new secondary allocation to the amateur service, between 472 and 479kHz, that WRC-12 agreed would be effective from 1 January 2013.

The International Museums Weekend special event will this year take place on the weekends of 16 & 17 June and 23 & 24 June. Radio amateurs are encouraged to participate in this event by setting up stations in their local museums. Organiser Harry, M1BYT asks that all those intending to take part in the event should register at www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

We start with advance notice of a change to a rally date. The East Suffolk Wireless Revival will now take place on 1 July. Contact Steve, M1ACB on 07711 329624. The Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club Rally takes place today, 4 March, at the Wood Green Animal Shelter, King's Bush Farm, on the A1198 London Road at Godmanchester PE29 2NH. Doors open at 10am and entry is £3. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy with talk in on S22. Contact John, G0GKP, on 01954 200 072.

Also today, 4 March, the Exeter Radio & Electronics Rally takes place in America Hall, De La Rue Way, Pinhoe, Exeter EX4 8PW. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More information from Pete, G3ZVI on 07714 198 374. The Wythall Radio Club Radio and Computer Rally takes place on 11 March at the Woodrush Sports Centre, Shawhurst Lane, Hollywood, near Birmingham B47 5JW. The venue is on the A435, 2 miles from J3 of the M42. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy with admission costing £2.50.Contact Chris, G0EYO on 07710 412 819.

Now for the news of special events

The Irish national society, IRTS, is celebrating its 80th anniversary with a special event callsign, EI80IRTS. IRTS members and affiliated clubs are taking part in the celebrations. A certificate for working EI80IRTS is sponsored by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society. Details are online at www.ei7dar.com/ei80irts.html.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

IK2GZU, will sign 5H3MB from Tanzania from 4 March to 4 April while he is there doing work at the new hospital and orphanage. He will do some HF operating with his own FT-100 rig and the TS-850 that belongs to the Mission. There is a tribander fixed on Europe, a vertical and a dipole. He will put the log on LoTW when he's back home. QSL via IK2GZU.

Nine operators from Germany and Poland will sign A35YZ from Tonga from 7 to 24 March. They will be on all bands and modes with several stations, including one dedicated to digital. QSL direct or bureau to DL7DF. Tonga is usually a tough one from the UK, being almost directly over the pole.

David, VO1AU will be active as ZL7/VO1AU from the Chatham Islands, which is IOTA reference OC-038, between 8 and 13 March. Activity will be on CW and SSB. He will also participate in the Commonwealth Contest. QSL via VO1MX.

DL7AFS will sign V21FS and DJ7ZG will sign V21ZG from Antigua from 5 March for a few weeks. They will focus on 15, 12 and 10m. QSL to DL7AFS or via the DARC QSL bureau.

A Polish team will activate Sint Maarten as PJ7PT from 5 to 18 March. They will be on all bands, CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP9PT.

JI3DST will be on the air signing portable 9M2 from West Malaysia between 0000UTC on 10 March and 0900UTC on 11 March. His activity will be on 6 through to 80m, including most of the WARC bands. Modes to be used will include CW, SSB and FM. QSL via JI3DST.

Now the contest news

The 144/432MHz Contest takes place for 24 hours this weekend, ending at 1400UTC today, 4 March. There are Open and Single-op categories and 6-hour and 24-hour sections, with 6-hour entrants being able to split their operating into two sessions if they wish. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The ARRL International DX contest runs for the full 48 hours of this weekend ending at 2359 today, 4 March, on the 1.8 to 28MHz bands. Work US stations in the contiguous 48 States, plus Canadians. Send a signal report and your transmit output power. There are sections for QRP as well as low and high power. US stations send a signal report and 2-letter State abbreviation, while Canadian stations send a signal report and 3-letter Province code.

Monday 5 March sees the data leg of the 80m Club Championships taking place from 2000 to 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number. Tuesday 6 March is the 144MHz UK Activity Contest from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, on 11 March, the 2nd 70MHz Cumulative contest take place from 1000 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 10 and 11 March, the 75th Commonwealth Contest will take place from 1000 to 1000UTC. To celebrate it there is going to be a prize draw into which every entrant making more than 75 valid QSOs will be entered. The prize will be an RFSpace SDR-IQ Software Defined Radio, generously donated by Martin Lynch of ML&S. All entrants who have, after adjudication, 75 or more valid QSOs will automatically be entered for the draw, so entrants need do nothing more than submit their log but please make sure you make more than 75 QSOs, to leave some margin in case any of your QSOs are disallowed. Using CW on the 3.5 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 24th of February to the 1st of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 2nd of March.

Only a small number of sunspot groups were visible every day. All were small and quiet. Solar activity was very low every day, except for the 26th when activity increased to low when two small C class solar flares took place, and again on the 1st. Solar flux levels declined from 109 units on the 24th to 102 by the 29th. The average was 105 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the on the 1st was 127, that's three units down on last week. X-ray flux levels declined slightly over the period and averaged B2 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but on the 27th and the 28th activity increased due to the arrival of a coronal mass ejection. The most disturbed day was the 27th, with an Ap index of 19 units. Activity then increased again on the 1st with an Ap of 15 units. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 370 kilometres per second to 520 by the 26th. Particle densities were low, except for a brief increase to 21 particles per cubic centimetre early on the 27th. Bz varied between minus 5 and plus 6 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus and plus 11 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. On most days MUFs reached or even slightly exceeded forecast levels, with the exception of the 27th, when MUFs were depressed by several MHz. Auroral propagation was reported on 50, 70 and 144MHz. While high latitude stations were, as usual, the main beneficiaries, at the height of the disturbance, around 1700 hours, contacts were made as far south as the Midlands. A weaker event also occurred during the evening of the 1st.

And finally the solar forecast. There as been a dramatic decline in solar activity since the start of the year and in solar flux levels. This is well illustrated in the 90 day solar flux averages that have declined almost 20 units since the start of the year. There are no real signs that activity will increase during the coming week. As always though, when solar activity increases it will happen with very little warning. Therefore, solar flux levels are expected to be around the 100 mark or slightly higher. Geomagnetic activity should be at `unsettled' levels for the next couple of days due to a small recurring coronal hole and then decline to quiet levels for the remainder of the period. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 28MHz for the south and 25MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 35MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 28MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1500 hours. With this path crossing the equator it should not be affected by the coronal hole disturbance.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with advance information that Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club will be running Foundation and Intermediate training courses in March and April. More information from Ant Freeman, M0HAZ, on 07956 654 481.

On Monday 5 March Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on 144.165MHz USB from 1900. Details from Ant Freeman, M0HAZ, on 07956 654 481.

On Monday 5 March Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk by Gloucestershire Repeater Group. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 5 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 3.5MHz CC Data from 20.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 5 March Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is starting a club net on 145.275MHz FM and then QSYing to 6m. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 6 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 6 March Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk on antennas by Ron, G7ZRT. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 6 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 144MHz UK AC from 2000. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 6 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club invites members to call in from home on 2m. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 6 March Wythall Radio Club Final is having its final rally preparation meeting. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 7 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air and having a natter night.. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 7 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 7 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the main hall. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Wednesday 7 March South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550. On Wednesday 7 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 8 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a club net on 145.375MHz from 2000. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 8 March Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a calibration night with Ken, G8DIR and continuing its Foundation course. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 8 March South Birmingham Radio Society having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 9 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a construction night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 9 March Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on GB3FR from 2000. Contact Ant Freeman, M0HAZ, on 07956 654 481.

On Friday 9 March South Birmingham Radio Society is loading the trailer for the Wythall Rally. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 10 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding its Saturday surgery from 0930. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 11 March Midland Amateur Radio Society Club is visiting the Wythall Rally. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Sunday 11 March South Birmingham Radio Society is running a club stand at the Wythall Rally. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 11 March Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is running a club stand at the Wythall Rally. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Sunday 11 March Wythall Radio Club is running the Wythall Rally. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 4 March Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530.

On Monday 5 March Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 5 March Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on coastal ship-to-shore radio stations by Dave, G4MVU. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 5 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC Data. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 5 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening and participating in the RSGB 80m CC Data from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk. On Monday 5 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 6 March Chester & District Radio Society is holding a surplus sale. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 6 March Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society members will be discussing their participation in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 6 March Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a members' night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 6 March Stockport Radio Society Club is having an introduction to the PSK interface unit project by Bernard, G3SHF and Pete, M1PTR. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 7 March Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on cave radio underground communication. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 7 March Durham and District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from David, M0BPM, on 01913 888 113.

On Wednesday 7 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having an update by Pat Carty on the world of virtual radar. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 7 March Maltby & District Amateur Radio Society is having part 2 of its Buildathon. More information from Keith, G1PQW, on 07801 156 678.

On Wednesday 7 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Wednesday 7 March Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a D&W evening at The Hoylake Lights, Hoylake. Details from Simon, G6XHF, on 0151 601 3269.

On Thursday 8 March Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a social evening and is on the air. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 9 March Bolton Wireless Club is visiting St James Primary School, Daisy Hill, Westhoughton to kick off their Science Week, operating G0BWC on HF and G1ONE on 2m. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Friday 9 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 9 March Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club Radio is looking at blogs and Wordpress. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 10 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Commonwealth Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Saturday 10 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club will be at Norfolk Community Primary School from 9am operating GX3RCM for National Science Week. Contact Steve Webster, by email to stevem1ers@blueyonder.co.uk.

On Saturday 10 March Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation course from 1330. Contact Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 6 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 7 March Glenrothes & DRC is holding a planning meeting for forthcoming club events and activities. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 8 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Stewart Cooper, GM4AFF about CQWW on Hawaii. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 9 March Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on RAYNET by Geoff Darby, G7GJU. Details from MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with advance information that South Essex Amateur Radio Society is moving to a new venue and date. From 13 March, meetings will be on the second Tuesday of the month at the Members Bar, Island Yacht Club, Point Road, Canvey Island, SS8 7TX. More information from Dave Speechley, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978 or online at www.southessex-ars.co.uk.

On Sunday 4 March Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society commences its Foundation course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Sunday 4 March East Kent Radio Society is having a talk by Martin, G4RVV on the development of the armoured tank. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 5 March Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on propagation by Melvin, G0EMK. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 5 March Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 5 March Maidstone YMCA Amateur Radio Society is having a radio testing evening. More information from Howard Vicary, G0RJN, by

email to hvicary@hotmail.com.

On Monday 5 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a club net from 1930 on GB3NB and taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship Data. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 5 March Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk at Chaseley. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 5 March Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a surplus sale. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 6 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com. On Tuesday 6 March Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 6 March Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding its weekly net. Details from Andrew, M6AAE on 07403 325 075.

On Tuesday 6 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on antenna testing by Andy Tyler, G1GKN. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 6 March Leiston Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Summits on the Air by Tony, 2E0NHG. Details from Andy, G3ZYP, on 01394 460 441.

On Tuesday 6 March North Kent Radio Society is looking at radio programming software. For more information contact Dave Collings, by email to nkrs@crystaldave.com.

On Wednesday 7 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society General Meeting. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 7 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on QSL cards and QSLing by Dave, M0TAZ. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 7 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on antenna modelling using MMANA- GAL by Steve, G0KYA. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 7 March Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Wednesday 7 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Maritime Shoreham by by Trevor Povey. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 8 March Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club meeting. Details from Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Thursday 8 March Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night, Bring & Buy and CW practice. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451

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On Thursday 8 March Edgware & District Radio Society is having talks by members. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 8 March Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is running a construction project with the pupils of the Marlowe Academy from 10am to 3pm. At 7pm there is a club construction evening. Details form Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 8 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on D-Star by Mark, G0LGJ. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 8 March Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on fungi as food by Anthony Armitage, M0GZB. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 8 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 9 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at the MK II solar flare detector by Peter, M0DCV. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712. On Friday 9 March Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding a members' forum. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 9 March Radio Society of Harrow is holding its AGM. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 9 March Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a vintage radio evening with a demonstration by Dick Shanahan of radio receivers from the 1920s to the 1950s. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 5 March Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 7 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting at Perranarworthal Church Hall. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Wednesday 7 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on narrow band digital modes by Paul, 2E0PSM. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 7 March Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having short talks by G0GRI and M0PUB. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 8 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a darts tournament. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 8 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its construction contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 9 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 5 March Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a look at using the club antenna analyser. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Thursday 8 March Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on propagation by Simon, GW0NVN. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Thursday 8 March Marches Amateur Radio Society is holding a surplus equipment sale with Malcolm GW0WZZ acting as auctioneer. Details online at www.marchesradiosociety.org.

273. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 5 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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March 2012 Spartan Sprint

Posted: 04 Mar 2012 05:10 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336579-March-2012-Spartan-Sprint&goto=newpost

Don't forget to participate in the Adventure Radio Society's March 2012
Spartan Sprint on March 5, 2012 at 9:00 pm EST (2012-03-06 @ 0200-0400
UTC). More information may be accessed at
http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/inde...n_Sprint_Rules. Join in the fun!
72/73, Will, NQ2W

274. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 5 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-05 21:18:02 UTC
From: $ĻĄŘŦĩbąŕt□□ŠŢ <slarti@norway-coastline.net>
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Apparently, every TV and radio entity has a copy of it. You'd think, by now, it would have been leaked. Clearly, a national survey was conducted that showed sports fans to be so brain-deficient that piles of pure, untreated nonsense should regularly be presented as fact, and it will be accepted as fact.

Mississippi State-Auburn, an SEC Network telecast on MSG Saturday, included a sideline interview with Auburn man Charles Barkley. When it was over, play-by-player Dave Neal said: "What an ambassador for this university he has been!"

Geez. Barkley's an excessive boozer, gambler and night crawler who has done time for DUI after hooking up with a hooker. As a Nike peddler, he was selected to tell the nation: "I am not a role model." More recently he admitted to accepting illegal cash while playing basketball at Auburn.

If Auburn had more "ambassadors" like Barkley, it would be a medium security prison.

Yesterday, after Eli Manning threw the ball out of bounds after he was hit -- duly noted by Fox's Joe Buck -- one pass after Giants receiver Victor Cruz dropped a pass -- also duly noted by Buck -- Buck noted Manning is "now oh-for-three" passing. And that didn't prevent Fox from later posting Manning's wildly misleading passer rating.

ESPN's voices, all weekend, announced the debut of the "New, expanded, three-hour Sunday NFL Countdown Show!" -- as if it's good news, as opposed to what it is: another ESPN exercise in absurd excess.

All week, on TV and radio, we heard from players, coaches, team owners who were asked to describe where they were and what they felt on Sept. 11. Turns out their recollections and feelings weren't much different from many of us, but, as usual, the media suppose that tragedy hurts sports figures more.

On local radio shows, might it have been better to have heard the 9/11 recollections of local listeners?

Yesterday, two minutes into Eagles-Rams, Fox twice told us Michael Vick was last season's Comeback Player of the Year -- as if that's a wonderful thing. Comeback from what, a bad season? In other words, NFL standards now allow players who are released

"Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed" wrote in message news:14dae934093dbff97e04ba7cfbd1@google.com...

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact with Dilworth Elementary School, San Jose, California

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An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Dilworth Elementary School, San Jose, CA on 5 March

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RAMPART CubeSat to use propulsion

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_8Grlpr-a3s/rampart_cubesat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Students at Morehead State University are building an amateur radio CubeSat with a propulsion system that will raise the apogee of its orbit from 500 km to 1200 km

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cu0ICxxMsew/march_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is expected to be at low levels

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Successful ARISS amateur radio space contact for 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis, Greece

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/M6-YcG0AaIc/ariss_event_success_0203.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, March 02, 2012, students from 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis, Katerinis, Greece established an ARISS contact with NASA astronaut Donald R. Pettit KD5MDT onboard the International Space Station

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MURSAT1 - A (Hacker) Space Art Project

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f4d5zGdw9g4/mursat1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A group of Austrian Hackers have built an Amateur Radio satellite MURSAT1 which is planned to launch later this year

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Jura, Islay and Colonsay operations

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Kja7yn8h1ZM/jura_islay_and_colonsay_operations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ray M1REK, Mark M0UTD and Tom M0DCG will be operating as GM6TW from The
Isle of Jura from 31 March until 6 April 2012

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AT2DW IOTA Dxpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9hkGePjwmMw/at2dw_iota_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sarla Sharma VU2SWS/WU2SWS will be leading a DXpedition to Bet Shankhodar
(Bet Dwarka) island IOTA AS-175 on March 15-23, there will be a special QSL
card for YL contacts

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Tornadoes Hit Midwest

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D34AuqZM-4o/tornadoes_hit_midwest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tornadoes wreaked havoc across the US Midwest Friday with Indiana,
Kentucky, Ohio and Alabama hit by high winds

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OC-199 VK6YS/P activation for IOTA Marathon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9EDNcYmgiZ4/vk6ys_iota_op.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wally VK6YS will be active for a very short 2 day operation from West Lewis
island in OC-199 as VK6YS/p from around 1000 UTC 8 March through to 0800
UTC 10 March

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World-wide Iron Ham Contest

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zFytM1gEqIg/worldwide_iron_ham_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Araucaria DX Group ADXG has 400 members all fan of DX and Contests.
Their intention is to offer a different alternative to attend some pending
desires in our contest community

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/M1EBuYvWmh4/history_05_march.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

275. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-016E - Ontario Section Emergency Coordinator appointed.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-05 21:24:43 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F552EF1.3000305@rac.ca>
Source record: 3542
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-016E - Ontario Section Emergency Coordinator appointed.
2012-03-04

VIA: Doug Mercer, VO1DTM/VO1DM

ATTN: All Ontario ARES Members and Amateur Radio Operators

I am pleased to announce the new appointment for the position of
Ontario Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC) for ARES in Ontario. Scott
Carter VE3CGN of Dutton, Ontario is our new SEC for Ontario.

Scott brings with him much experience in the field of emergency
communications. Scott was the former District Emergency Coordinator
for the Tecumsah District. Sccot has many certifications in emergency
management including his CEC, BEM, IMS-100, IMS-200 to mention a few.
Scott is also very active with the SATERN Organization the Salvation
Army Team Emergency Radio Network.

Scott's appointment took effect on 01 Mar 12 till 01 Sep 12 when
respective appointments will be made in each of the four new Sections
in Ontario. I ask you all to join me and welcome Scott to his new
position as he will be a great asset to the Ontario Field Services and
ARES.

Thank You and welcome aboard Scott

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Allan Boyd - VE3AJB
Section Manager - Ontario Radio Amateurs of Canada

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

276. eHam.net News for Monday 5 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-05 23:20:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340e5de7e83504ba872adc@google.com>
Source record: 3543
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Weather Spotters Aim to Keep B.C. Safe:

Posted: 04 Mar 2012 04:55 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27837

From Jim Maczko's point of view, Saturday's meeting of the Battle Creek region's weather spotters couldn't have come at a better time. Overnight, a string of severe storms had struck the nation's eastern half, causing deaths in four states. Just hours earlier, an official warning of high winds in the area had ended. And still fresh in everyone's memory was the destructive windstorm that swept through Battle Creek and Emmett Township on May 29, 2011, felling trees and damaging homes and businesses. "We have to stay prepared and stay ready," said Maczko, warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service office in Grand Rapids. About a hundred volunteers with their eyes on the sky and their hearts in the right place came to learn more during the annual refresher course for SkyWarn, a program of the federal weather agency. Ken Nierman of Battle Creek said he has volunteered as a weather spotter for about 12 years. "It's something I can do as a civilian to add to the safety of the community," said Nierman, who is the emergency coordinator for Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services, or RACES, a group of ham-radio experts who help officials communicate during local, regional or national emergencies.

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Learn Morse Code to Help Disaster Victims, Radio Hams Told:

Posted: 04 Mar 2012 04:53 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27836

JOHOR BARU: Amateur radio enthusiasts should learn Morse code so that they can respond to emergencies better. South Johor Amateur Bandwidth Radio Association patron Tunku Abdul Jalil Tunku Osman said such a skill was useful, especially during natural disasters. "During the 2004 tsunami, the emergency response teams that were deployed to Aceh used Morse code to find victims as phone lines were damaged. "In the major flood that hit Kota Tinggi and several other districts in the state, our members used two-way radios to help," he said after attending the association's annual general meeting here yesterday.

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Historically Speaking: Morse Started In Art, Not Technology:

Posted: 04 Mar 2012 04:51 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27835

Danielson, Conn. -- It took a tragedy for Samuel F. B. Morse to change his life from painting to inventing. Morse was born April 27, 1791, in Charlestown, Mass., the first child of Woodstock native Jedidiah Morse Jr. and his wife, Elizabeth Breese. Jedidiah Morse was a Puritan and his children were brought up in a praying household and with the virtue of self-sacrifice. Samuel Morse showed artistic talent very early. He attended Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., and graduated with distinction from Yale College, his father's alma mater, in 1810. He was 19. While in Europe in 1830, Morse met Louis Daguerre, who, at that time, was recognized as a celebrated designer for the theater. He was, earlier, also known as the inventor of the diorama. By 1839, Daguerre announced his daguerreotype as a "gift, free to the world." It would revolutionize the art world, and Morse was impressed with the implications of this new photographic process. Morse, meanwhile, continued his portrait work. While in Washington painting Lafayette's likeness, he received word by a horse messenger that his wife, Lucretia Walker Morse, was sick. He hurried back to their home in New Haven, but arrived after she had been buried. In his grief and guilt, having been away from his family, he turned his efforts to the pursuit of swift, long-distance communication. Morse made contact with Charles Thomas Jackson, an authority on electromagnetism. Morse began to experiment with and develop a single-wire telegraph. His Morse code would change the way the world communicated.

277. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 6 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-06 07:09:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Source record: 3544
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Thomasville, GA Tailgate Hamfest - March 31, 2012

Posted: 04 Mar 2012 04:01 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336572-Thomasville-GA-Tailgate-Hamfest-March-31-2012&goto=newpost

The Thomasville Amateur Radio Club will be hosting its annual Tailgate Hamfest on March 31, 2012. The Tailgate Hamfest will be held at Morningside Methodist Church, 2007 Smith Avenue, Thomasville, GA, 31792, beginning at 8:00 AM ET until 2:00 PM ET.

This is a free event, and area Hams are invited to both buy and sell.

A test session will be held at 10:00 AM, and walk-ins are welcome!

Talk-in is the W4UCJ repeater (147.195+, 141.3 TXPL). The alternate repeater will be KE4URL (145.170-, 141.3 TXPL).

The TARC membership, and our local hams hope to see you there!

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278. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 6 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-06 11:28:20 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efb72052e7504ba915614@google.com>
Source record: 3545
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio DXpeditions hit by Brazilian government ban

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LRICF6x7gK0/amateur_radio_dxpeditions_hit_%20by_brazilian_government_ban.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur Radio operators are prohibited from performing DXpeditions in the
Archipelago of São Peter and ST Paul (PY0S)

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Announcing IRLP Topic Channels

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K-s_7ERpNNI/announcing_irlp_topic_channels.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new activity is coming to Amateur Radio. Beginning in March 2012, the
Internet Radio Linking Project (IRLP) will host IRLP Topic Channels.
Interested in history? Media? DX? There's an IRLP topic channel for you

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Ontario Section Emergency Coordinator appointed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LeIBoiizg6A/ontario_section_emergency_coordinator_appointed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

RAC announce the new appointment for the position of Ontario Section
Emergency Coordinator (SEC) for ARES in Ontario

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Poldhu and the Titanic weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lj0UfY7affE/poldhu_and_the_titanic_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During the weekend of the 14th – 15th of April, Poldhu Amateur Radio Club
will be operating from the Marconi Centre at Poldhu using the callsign
G3MPD rather than our usual GB2GM call

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Radio Propagation tutorial videos

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sG5jnIgUMxk/radio_propagation_tutorial_videos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Martin Lornton KD8LON has produced two tutorial videos explaining radio progagation

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Strong Solar Activity

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2531zS3NjwA/strong_solar_activity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Space Weather reports on the big sunspot AR1429 and a video from DH7FB shows a 144 MHz recording of a flare produced by the sunspot

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1966 Morse Code Training Video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-w3GY5eifnQ/1966_morse_code_training_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This 1966 US Army training film TF11-3697 shows how to send Morse code

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Cambridge Rally report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QWl6Rsrd-Fs/cambridge_rally_report.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Essex Ham has published a report with a video montage about the 2012 Cambridge Rally held Sunday, March 4

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Radio Hams send photo via satellite

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OsXgUvPakZw/radio_hams_send_photo_via_satellite.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two Anderson Township amateur radio operators recently sent and received a photo from a satellite that was manually deployed from the International Space Station

279. will usexchat with me.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-06 14:19:24 UTC
From: divyashree701@gmail.com
Message-ID: <25041653.3097.1331043564197.JavaMail.geo-discussion-forums@pbbvx14>
Source record: 3546

.if u want to do sexy chat with me. click here http://bigchurch.com/go/g1349457 and register it …I will be there..and join with me……

280. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 27 February - 04 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-06 16:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120306163001.D99C533C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3547
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Mar 06 1552 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
27 February - 04 March 2012

Solar activity ranged from very low to moderate levels. Activity was
at very low to low levels during 27 February - 01 March with
occasional B-class and isolated C-class flares. Activity increased
to moderate levels on 02 March due to an M3/Sf flare at 02/1746 UTC
from Region 1429 (N18, L=300, class/area Dkc/700 on 04 March).
Activity decreased to low levels on 03 March with occasional
low-level C-class flares from Region 1429. Activity returned to
moderate levels on 04 March due to a long duration M2/1n flare at
04/1052 UTC from Region 1429. Region 1429 rotated into view on 03
March and quickly became recognized as a large, magnetically complex
spot group with a reverse-polarity, beta-gamma-delta magnetic
configuration.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit, however, the
greater than 10 MeV proton flux was enhanced due to the long
duration M2 flare observed on 04 March.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during 27 February - 01 March. Flux levels
increased to normal to high levels during 02 - 04 March.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to minor storm levels during
27 - 28 February due to a CME passage associated with the filament
eruption/asymmetric halo-CME observed on 24 February. Activity
decreased to quiet levels on 29 February. Quiet to unsettled levels
occurred during 01 - 04 March with active to minor storm periods
observed at high latitudes due to weakly-enhanced solar wind speeds
combined with sustained periods of weak southward IMF (Negative Bz).

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
07 March - 02 April 2012
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Solar activity is expected to be at moderate to high levels from 07 - 16 March. Activity is expected to decrease to low levels during 17 - 28 March after Region 1429 rotates around the west limb. Probabilities for moderate to high activity will increase once again on 29 March with the return of Region 1429.

There is a chance for isolated proton events at geosynchronous orbit while Region 1429 remains on the disk through 16 March.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 07 - 17 March. Flux is expected to increase to moderate to high levels on 18 - 19 March due to effects from a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Normal to moderate levels are expected to return from 20 - 28 March followed by moderate to high levels on 30 March - 01 April due to a second recurrent CH HSS. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be active with a chance for minor storm levels on 07 March due to the combined arrival of CMEs observed on 04 and 05 March. Activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on 08 March as the effects from those CMEs subside. Mostly quiet conditions are expected during 09 - 10 March. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected on 11 - 13 March due to weak CH HSS effects. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet levels during 14 - 16 March. Activity is expected to increase to unsettled to active levels during 17 - 20 March due to a recurrent negative polarity CH HSS. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 21 - 27 March followed by an increase to quiet to unsettled levels on 28 - 31 March due to another recurrent CH HSS. Predominantly quiet conditions are expected for the remainder of the period.

Attention Beginning Monday March 12, 2012, the Weekly Bulletin will now be issued and available on the SWPC web page every Monday morning by 1500 UTC.

281. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 6 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-06 17:09:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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W2E - Doomsday 2012 Special Event

Posted: 05 Mar 2012 06:50 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336743-W2E-Doomsday-2012-Special-Event&goto=newpost

Gentlemen:

Please note that our special event station W2E - Doomsday 2012 will be QRV
from 2200z on 12/20/2012 thru 2359z on 12/22/2012.

The event celebrates the end of the Mayan Calendar and what has been
characterized in popular culture as Doomsday 2012.

The special 1x1 Call - W2E is short for "World 2 End"

Special event operators will be making QSOs on the following frequencies,
plus or minus: 3.866 MHz, 7.266 MHz, 14.266 MHz, 21.366 MHz, and 28.366 MHz.

Special emergency power has been arranged in the event commercial power
connections are inexplicably terminated. Also, 7.266 MHz will be manned
using a vintage Hallicrafters transmitter and receiver should solid state
transceivers become non-functioning.

Dennis M. Barrett, J.D., Ph.D. / N4ECW

W2E Special Event Coordinator

282. [DXNL] DXNL 1770 (Mar 7, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-06 19:08:12 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <58198344671.20120306195339@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3549
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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3W, VIETNAM, AS-128
Jacek,SP5APW, is visiting Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) from Mar 7-12. He
applied for the call 3W4JK beantragt and wants to work holiday style
in SSB, PSK31 and RTTY on 40m-10m (maybe also 6m) with an Elecraft K3,
a microKEYER II and Buddipole antenna. QSL via homecall.
See also: http://as-128.blogspot.com

5N, NIGERIA
Bodo,DF8DX (ex DL3OCH), is active as 5N7Q from Mar 7-14.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

6W, SENEGAL
The Radio Club de Saly is using the callsign 6V7SIX since Mar 1.
They are listening on 50.110 MHz (international calling frequency) and
on 50.210 MHz (French calling frequency). QSL via LoTW, eQSL.
See also: http://www.senrasec.org

7P, LESOTHO
Gert,ZS6AYU, will be QRV only in CW on 40m-10m signing 7P8GF with 100 W
and vertical from Mar 8-13. QSL via homecall.

9K, KUWAIT, AS-118
Failaka Island (AS-118) will be activated from Mar 7-12 by some members
of the "Kuwait Amateur Radio Society" (9K2RA) using the callsign 9K2F.
QSL via 9K2HN, LoTW. See also: http://9k2ra.net

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA
Take,JI3DST, plans to show up as 9M2/JI3DST (callsign may change) in
CW/SSB/FM on 80m-6m on Mar 10/11. QSL via homecall.

9N, NEPAL
Toshi,JA8BMK, is working as 9N7BM until Mar 9. QSL via JA8UWT.

A3, TONGA, OC-049
Sigi,DL7DF, Manfred,DK1BT, Georg,DK7LX, Wolf,DL4WK, Reiner,DL7KL,
Juergen,DL7UFN, Frank,DL7UFR, Jan,SP3CYY, and Leszek,SP3DOI, will be
QRV from Tonga (OC-049) from Mar 7-24. They will use the callsign A35YZ
with several stations in CW, SSB and a separate station only for RTTY,
PSK31 and SSTV on 160m-6m. QSL via DL7DF, OQRS. See: http://dl7df.com

C6, BAHAMAS, NA-080
Al,N3EA, and Steve,WA2EAJ, are signing C6AEA (CW) and C6AAJ (SSB and
digital modes) from Grand Bahama (NA-080) until Mar 9.
QSLs unfortunately only direct via W3HNK or via LoTW.

DL, GERMANY
DQ0STRATEX is a special event call on the occasion of the stratospheric
balloon project (StratexB) planned for March 2012 by the local DARC
clubs Duelmen (N28) and Luedinghausen (N29). They plan to send an
amateur radio load, consisting of an APRS and a speach beacon, to the
stratosphere with this balloon project. Another payload will be added
by the HAMs of the German Aerospace Center (DLR) in Bremen (I04) with
an experimental ADS-B receiver. The special event station DQ0STRATEX is
active in all modes on all bands between Jan 13,2012, and Jan 31, 2013,
handing out the special DOK STRATEXB. They have two balloon missions
planned, on Mar 10 around 0930 UTC and on Mar 24 around 1600 UTC,
both starting on the airport at Borkenberge near Luedinghausen.
The APRS beacon is transmitting on 144.800 MHz and the speach beacon
in FM on 430.375 MHz. SWL reports are highly appreciated (also online).
QSL cards via DK4REX. See also: http://www.darc.de/distrikte/n/29

E7, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
The special event station E720RS celebrates the 20th anniversary of the
republic Srpska (Serbian republic in Bosnia Herzegovina, capital:
Banja Luka) between Mar 1 and Dec 31. QSL via bureau.
See also: http://www.hamradiors.org

EI, IRELAND, EU-115
The special event station EI100T is activated until the end of 2012
from Cork Harbour which was the last port from which the Titanic left
on her tragic maiden voyage 100 years ago.
QSL via EI4HQ, LoTW. http://ei4hq.cloudaccess.net/ei100t-titanic.html

F, FRANCE
The special callsign TM210VH is celebrating the 210th birthday of
Victor Hugo until the end of the year. QSL via F4GFE.

The clubstation TP8CE of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg will be
activated on Mar 9-11 to mark the 40th anniversary of the European
Youth Center. The usual TP2CE team will be supported by the guest OPs
Volker,DL1WH, and Dieter,DK5PZ, in CW, SSB and maybe also digital modes
between Mar 9, 1200 UTC, and Mar 11, 1200 UTC. QSL via F5LGF.
An online log is available at: http://ewwa.free.fr

J7, DOMINICA, NA-101
Simon,G7SOZ, is working in CW and SSB as J79SZ from Dominica (NA-101)

from Mar 7-15 including the RSGB Commonwealth Contest (Mar 10/11).
QSL via G7SOZ, LoTW. See also: http://www.g7soz.net

JA, JAPAN, AS-076
The special event station 8N5KOCHI is active until Mar 22 to mark an
ARISS school contact from Kochi on Shikoku (AS-076) scheduled for
Feb 13, 10:13 UTC. QSL via bureau.

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Randy,NP2/N0TG, Ron,NP2/AA4VK, and Jeff,NP2/N1SNB, are QRV in all modes
on all bands (incl. 60m) from St. Croix (NA-106, WLOTA 2477,USi VI002S)
from Mar 7-14. QSL unfortunately only direct via N0TG or with online
QSL request and a donation of 3 US$: http://www.n0tg.com

KP4, PUERTO RICO, NA-099
Paula,KP3/K9IR, is working holiday style from Cabo Rojo on 40m/20m/10m/
6m until Mar 10. QSL via homecall.

LZ, BULGARIA
Once again several special calls remember Bulgarian orthodox saints
for one month each:
LZ1818MOG January
LZ1401SET February
LZ1784SIB March
LZ1437MGS April
LZ907SKB May
LZ1515PSB June
LZ1822MIT July
LZ916ss August
LZ1737ssS September
LZ1814MIS October
LZ1620PPZ November
LZ1500PNB December
QSLs via bureau. See also: http://www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm
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The special event station LZ12FDAY is active until Jul 22 to draw the
attention on the "LZ HF QRP Field Day" of the Bulgarian Federation of
Radio Amateurs (BFRA) from Jul 20-22. QSL via LZ1BFR.
See also: http://www.lzhfqrp.org

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
PJ2/DK5ON is going to hit the airwaves from Curacao (SA-099) in SSB,
RTTY and PSK on 10/12/15/17/20/40/6m from Mar 12-30. QSL via homecall.

S5, SLOVENIA
The radio club Skofja Loka celebrates its 40th jubilee with the special
callsign S540DKR until the end of April. QSL via S59DKR, LoTW.
SWL reports can be sent via e-mail to s540dkr@gmail.com
See also: http://lea.hamradio.si/~s59dkr/40years.html

S7, SEYCHELLES, AF-024
Tom,DL5NEN, and his XYL Claudia,DO5NEN, are on a "Honeymoon DXpedition"

and will sign S79NEN from Mahe (AF-024) and La Digue (AF-024) from
Mar 12-28. They will be active in SSB/RTTY/CW on 10m-40m and plan to
take part also in the WPX SSB Contest and the BARTG HF RTTY Contest.
QSL via DO5NEN.

TA, TURKEY
The "World Kidney Day" shows the importance of the kidneys for the
entire health. The "TC Special Wireless Activity Team" (TCSWAT) and the
"Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club" (GITRAD) will activate
the special callsign TC2012WKD in CW/PSK31/SSTV/SSB on Mar 8. You can
apply for a special award via e-mail when you have made QSOs on at
least three different bands. QSL via bureau oder via TCSWAT. See also:
http://www.worldkidneyday.org
http://www.tcswat.org
http://www.gitrad.org.tr/default3x.aspx

The special event station TC50TRAC is activated from several cities
throughout the year to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Turkish
radio club "Telsiz ve Radyo Amatoerleri Cemiyeti" (TRAC). See QRZ.com.
A special award is issued as well. Private stations append /50 to their
callsign.

TT, CHAD
YL Elvira,IV3FSG, signs TT8ES from N'Djamena in SSB and digital modes
until Mar 18. QSL via IK3GES.

VE, CANADA
The special callsign CK975LC marks the 75th anniversary of the
"Loyalist City Amateur Radio Club of Saint John" until Mar 31.
QSL via VE9MY, LoTW or via e-mail request to: morgakl@gmail.com
See also: http://www.lcarc.ca

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Bob,VP9/G3PJT, will be QRV from Mar 8-15. He wants to take part in
th RSGB Commonwealth Contest as well. QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.beru.org.uk

YA, AFGHANISTAN (update)
Jorgen "Joe",5Q2J/OZ2JBC, expects to be active as T6JP until the end
of July. See also: http://oz2jbc.dk/page3.html

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS, OC-038
Dave,ZL7/VO1AU, will show up from Chatham (OC-038, WLOTA 1627) working
in CW and SSB from Mar 8-13. He announced to join the RSGB Commonwealth
Contest in the SOAB category. QSL via VO1MX.

VK0TH (Macquarie Island) approved for DXCC credit: If your VK0TH QSL card
has been rejected for DXCC credit before please send an e-mail with
the QSO data to bmoore@arrl.org
Trevor will go QRT at the end of March and wants to hand out a new DXCC
to as many people as possible. See QRZ.com.

SILENT KEY: Earle Smith,VE6NM, president of the "Radio Amateurs of Canada"
from 2004-2007 passed away on February 24 at the age of 81.
See also: http://earlesmith.rac.ca

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 10 DIG QSO Party
Mar 10 AGCW-DL QRP Contest
Mar 11 North American Sprint
Mar 11 DIG QSO Party
Mar 11 UBA Spring Contest
Mar 10/11 RSGB Commonwealth Contest
Mar 17/18 Russian DX Contes

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-014, CT3, Madeira Archipelago: Rosel,DL3KWR, and Hardy,DL3KWF, are going
to visit Madeira (WLOTA 0053) again. Listen for CT9/DL3KWR and
CT9/DL3KWF in CW and digital modes mainly on 12m, 17m and 30m between
Mar 8 and Apr 4. QSLs via homecalls (direct/bureau). Bureau QSLs can be
requested also via e-mail to dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Peter,G3PHO, will be on Gozo Island (MIA MM-004,
WLOTA 0046) signing 9H3C with 100w and dipoles on 80m-10m (maybe also
160m) from Mar 8. He plans to join the RGSB Commonwealth Contest.
QSL via G3PHO.

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West group: Stefan,DL7AOS, will be QRV again as 5P5K
from Romo Island (DIA NS-001, OZFF-040) from Mar 10. He will use
his FT-857, a power amplifier and a vertical near the beach on 80m-6m.
He will take part in the Russian DX Contest on Mar 17/18 as well.
QSL via DL7AOS (bureau/direct).
A video from last year can be downloaded from Youtube at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v

OC-199, VK6, Western Australia State (NW Coast) Centre Group: Wally,VK6YS/p,
will activate West Lewis Island during the IOTA Marathon mainly in SSB
and little CW on 40-10m between Mar 8 (1000 UTC) and Mar 10 (0800 UTC).

Lighthouse activities

PJ2/DK5ON LH 0942 Mar 12-30
S79NEN LH 3066 Mar 12-28
S79NEN LH 3286 Mar 12-28
ZL7/VO1AU LH 1627 Mar 8-13

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Resident 3B8FA 1765
22Feb-11Mar 3C6A.. 1766/1767/1769

07Mar-12Mar 3W4JK 1770 *
Unknown 3W7W 1768
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
12Dec-10Mar 4S7KKG 1757
Unknown 4W0VB 1763
Unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
04Mar-04Apr 5H3MB 1769
07Mar-14Mar 5N7Q 1748/1770 *
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
10Mar-24Mar 5P5K 1770 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674

Unknown 6V7SIX 1770 *
24Feb-07Mar 6V7T.. 1768
05Mar-23Mar 6Y0A 1769
08Mar-13Mar 7P8GF 1770 *
31Mar 8N1JARL.. 1762
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-22Mar 8N5KOCHI 1770 *
01Mar-05Apr 8N1MOMO 1769
-31Mar 8J1YMS 1764
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
10Dec-05Mar 8J6HAM 1757
23Feb-08Mar 8P9CI.. 1768
01Mar-20Mar 9G1AA 1769
08Mar-15Mar 9H3C 1770 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
07Mar-12Mar 9K2F 1770 *
10Mar-11Mar 9M2/JI3DST 1770 *
-09Mar 9N7BM 1770 *
Long term 9N1FE 1740
29Feb-09Mar 9N7FOX 1769
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

07Mar-24Mar A35YZ 1769/1770 *
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
Unknown P40/ AI2N.. 1768
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
-Mar CE9VPM 1752
27Feb-15Mar C56XA 1768
-20Mar C5AVT 1769
-09Mar C6AEA.. 1770 *
01Mar-08Mar C6AZZ 1769
-31Mar CK975LC 1770 *
29Feb-07Mar CR3L.. 1769
08Mar-04Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1770 *
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr ? D2SG 1748
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764

01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770 *
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763

-Mar EA1CYK/p 1759
-31Dec E720RS 1770 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
09Feb-13Mar FG/F6ITD 1766
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
Unknown FK/9A4DU 1763
-Jul FR8NE 1710
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Unknown HA00CGCDH 1762
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
16Jan-26Mar HK3JCL 1762
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764
09Mar-12Mar HR5/NC2N 1769
-Apr HS0ZIQ 1765
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
03Mar-18Mar II0DP.. 1769
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763

-Apr J28FJ 1739
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
08Feb-07Mar J38A.. 1766
08Feb-08Mar J38RF 1766
07Mar-15Mar J79SZ 1770 *
25Feb-13Mar J7Y 1768
15Feb-14Mar J88DR 1767
-15Apr JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
02Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769
25Feb-10Mar KG4ss 1765
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
-10Mar KP3/K9IR 1770 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770 *
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770 *
07Mar-14Mar NP2/N0TG.. 1770 *

-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar P29FR 1742
01Mar-28Mar PA100NOM 1769
21Jan-17Mar PJ2/AA9A.. 1763
12Mar-30Mar PJ2/DK5ON 1770 *
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
03Mar-17Mar PJ7/AA9A 1769
05Mar-18Mar PJ7PT 1769
-Mar RI1ANA 1762
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
Unknown SN2012WW.. 1763
-30Apr S540DKR 1770 *
12Mar-28Mar S79NEN 1770 *
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
Unknown SX1912 1763

-Apr T6BP 1746
-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770 *
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
08Mar TC2012WKD 1770 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770 *
03Mar-08Mar TG7/NC2N 1769
7Feb-27Mar TG8/W0OR 1767
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-31 Dec TM210VH 1770 *
-31 Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul/12 TN9SN 1755
02Mar-16Mar TO11A 1769
09Mar-11Mar TP8CE 1770 *
NOW TR0A/p 1760
-18Mar TT8ES 1770 *

05Mar-31Mar V21FS.. 1769
26Feb-15Mar V31SU 1768
27Feb-11Mar V31YK 1768
08Feb-28Mar V47JA.. 1766
Resident V63YWR 1765
Mar V73FW.. 1769
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
NOW VK0TH 1748/1763/1764
-Mar VK3HJ 1768
08Mar-10Mar VK6YS/p 1770 *
27Feb-10Mar VP2MSN.. 1768
Unknown VP8DFR 1764
08Mar-15Mar VP9/G3PJT 1770 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755

-Mar VU3BPZ.. 1762

03Mar-17Mar W4/VA3RA 1769
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-01Apr XE3/K5ENS 1767
Unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763
15Feb-15Mar XU7DLH 1768
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
Unknown XW3DT 1766
-Apr ZS7KX 1740/1749
29Feb-13Mar ZD7XF 1769
01Mar-10Mar ZF2AG/ZF8 1769
08Mar-13Mar ZL7/VO1AU 1770 *

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

3C6A via EA5BYP
3W4JK via SP5APW (B)
3Z10ITA via SQ9NIS (B)
4J0LH via 4J5T (B)
4J0SFR via 4J5T (B)
4KT4K via 4K4K (d)
4X/UT5UDX via UT2UB (B)
5B4AIF via EB7DX (d)
5B/RN3QQ via RN3QQ
4M5W via IT9DAA (d)
5B8AD via W3HNK (d)
5N7Q via DF8DX (B), (L)
5P5K via DL7AOS (B)
6Y2T via VE3DZ (B)
6V7SIX via (L), eQSL
7P8GF via ZS6AYU (B)
8N5KOCHI via (B)
8P5A via NN1N (B)
9A55AX via 9A4J (B)
9A5PC via NF4A (L)
9M2IDJ via JA6IDJ
9H3C via G3PHO, (L)
9K2F via 9K2HN (B), (L)
9M2/JI3DST via JI3DST (B)
9N7BM via JA8UWT
A35YZ via DL7DF (B)
A61K via EA7FTR
AO3MWC via EA3RKB (B)
BX5AA via (d), (L)
C6AAJ via W3HNK (d), (L)
C6AEA via W3HNK (d), (L)
CK975LC via VE9MY (B), (L)

CR2A via OH2BH (B)
CR2X via OH2BH (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT7/OK4PA via OK4PA (B), (L)
CT9/DJ0IF via DJ0IF (B)
CT9/DL3KWR via DL3KWR (B)
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX (B)
CW5W via CX6VM (B)
DP775BLN via DL7AUB (B)
DQ0STRATEX via DK4REX (B)
E720RS via (B)
E7DX via E77E (B)
EA7/PE1DMH via PE1DMH
EE5GUI via EA5GUI (B), (L)
EE3J via EA3JW (B), (L)
EF8R via (L)
EF8USA via EA8AY (L)
EG1EDB via EA1HNP (B), eQSL
EH7MDA via EA7URM
EM80L via US0LW (B), (L)
EM0UBC via UR4UXD (B)
EG2AEA via EA2CTM
F/TU5KG via F4DXW (d) (*)
FG4NN via NI5DX (B)
FG4NO via F4AVX (B)
FR/TU5KG via F4DXW (d) (*)
FS/K4UP via W4LW
FT5W via F4DXW (d) (*)
FT5X via F4DXW (d) (*)
G3V via G3VER (B), eQSL
GB4R via M0DOL (B)
H40FN via HA8DD (B)
HC2SE via W7SE
HF35APAS via SP9YI (B)
GI5K via G3SWH (B)
HU0A via YS1GMV
II5IDK via IQ5LI (B)
II9P via IT9CHU (B)
IP2ANT via IK2QPR (B)
IQ5VZ via I5DOF (B), eQSL
IR8R via IK8HCG
IR8R via IK8HCG (B)
J79SZ via G7SOZ (B), (L)
J8/JA7SGV via JA7SGV
JW/LZ2HM via LZ2HM (B)
K7UGA via K7BHM (L)
KG4WV via W4WV (B)
K6AAX/VY2 via K6AAX (d)
KH6/VE7AHA via VE7AHA
KH7X via K2PF (B)

KL7J via N3SL (B)
LN8W via LA9VDA (B)
KP2M via AI4U (B)
KP3/K9IR via K9IR (B), (L)
KP3/K9IR via K9IR
LP1H via EA5KB (B)
LR9D via LU9ESD (L), (d)
LS1D via LW9EOC (L)
LT1F via AC7DX (B)
LX7I via LX2A (B)
LZ0M via LZ2SX (LoTW only)
LZ12FDAY sends QSLs automatically
LZ134GO via LZ1KZA (B)
LZ1437MGS via (B)
LZ1401SET via (B)
LZ1784SIB via (B)
N4C via W0UCE
NH7O via EA5GL (L), eQSL
NH0S/KH2 via JF2SKV (B)
NP2/AA4VK via N0TG (d)
NP2/N1SNB via N0TG (d)
NP2/N0TG via N0TG (d)
OF150M via OH8DR (L), (d)
OK5Z via OK2ZI (B), (L)
ON35WR via ON7WR (B)
ON50HC via ON3AIM (B)
P40L via WA3FRP, (L)
P4/WA2NHA via WA2NHA (B)
PA6NB via PA7JWC (B), (L)
PI4VPO via PA2CNR (B)
PI4MRC via PF9A (B)
PJ2/DK5ON via DK5ON (B)
PJ2T via W3HNK (L), (d)
PJ4/NK1Z via NK1Z (B)
PJ4/W1MD via W1MD (L), eQSL
PS2T via K3IRV (B)
PR2X via PY2ADR (B), (L)
PT5T via K3IRV (B)
R1FJ/UA0ABO via UA0ABO
S540DKR via S59DKR, (L)
S79NEN via DO5NEN (B)
SN51LTL via SQ5LTL (B), (L), eQSL
SN9Y via SP9UOP
SO4M via SP4MPG
T48K via DK1WI (B)
T6JP via 5Q2J (B)
T6JP via OZ2JBC (B), (L)
T88KF via JA9APS (B), (L)
T88XG via JA0EKI (B)
TA1C/2 via TA1C (B)

TC2012WKD via (B)
TC50TRAC via (B)
TG7/HR2J via HR2J, (L)
TG9/K9NW via K9NW
TI5/JT1CO via JT1CO (B)
TI5/AJ3G via AJ3G
TI5/K1DG via K1DG
TI5/KG5VK via KG5VK (L)
TM210VH via F4GFE (B)
TM6C via F6KMB
TM6M via F4DXW (B)
TM0T via F4DXW (d) (*)
TP8CE via F5LGF (B)
TT8ES via IK3GES (B)
V25AA via AA9A (L)
V31SG via K0UU (d)
V31TF via DG7RO (B), (L)
V31YK via DL2AYK (B)
V5/DC8QT via DC8QT (B)
VQ9FT via WA3LCO (B), (L), eQSL
VE2CSI via M0URX (B)
VP2MDD via M0AEP (B)
VP2MXO via DM2XO (B)
VP2V/N9SW via N9SW
VP5/WA0MHJ via WA0MHJ, (L)
VP9/G3PJT via G3PJT (B)
VP9/N6WIN via N6WIN (B)
VP9/W6PH via W6PH (B)
VP9I via N6WIN (B)
XW4XR via E21EIC (B)
YN5ZO via K7ZO (L)
YT16IARU via YU1EA (B)
YN5ZO via K7ZO, (L)
ZD8R via N6ND
ZF2AM via K6AM (B)
ZX2B via PY2MNL (B)
ZL7/VO1AU via VO1MX (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: 3D2R (YT1AD), CR2X (OH2BH), OJ0X & OJ0B (OH2BH),
TC4X (OH2BH), TN2T (M0URX), TX7M (RZ1EC), T32C (GDXF),
YS1/HB9KNA (HB9KNA), 5T0JL (ON8RA), 5R8X (OH2BH),
9L0W (GDXF), 9M2/KM9D (OM2SA)

QSLs arrived bureau: A52ATV (JA4ATV), E4X (EA5RM), A92IO (EI3IO),
EP3MJ (IK2DUW), EP4HR (I2MQP), NH2B/KH0 (JA1BAN),

OX3KQ, PJ2/DK5ON, PJ4/PE2MC, PJ4L (OK7MT), VK8PDX,
XX9TLX (DK7LX), ZD8N (G3ZVW), ZD8RH (G4BWD),
3C9B (EA7FTR), 3D2A (VK4AN), 5H3EE (DL4ME),
6V7Z (DE0MST), 6W1SE (JR2KDN)

QSL cards wanted

Les Nouvelles DX is looking for old QSL cards of:
EA0 (Rio Muni, Equatorial Guinea)
F7 (US HAMs 1948-1962)
FB8BI/J-1956, FR5HG/J (Juan de Nova)
FB8WA
FB8WF
FB8WW (62/63)
FB8XE
FB8XI
FB8XAC
FB8XX (-1957)
FB8YA
FB8YB
FB8YY (-1955, 1959, 63, 71, 72)
FB8ZH
FB8ZJ
FB8ZK
FB8ZZ (1954, 55, 65, 66, 68)
FF8 (Dahomey TY)
FQ8 (Gabon TR; FQ8AH 1955 - 57?)
FR5ES/G, FR5HG/G, FR5KH/G (Glorieuses)
FR5ES/G, FR5HG/G, FR5KH/G (Glorieuses)
FR5ZQ/E, FR5ES/E, FR5KH/E (Europa)
FT0XD
FT1ZK
FT1ZL
FT4XI
Magrebh (1947-1962)
WH6O/KH7 (1983-1985, Kure)
If you have one of those QSL cards and want to help the archive please send
an e-mail with JPG to LesNouvellesDX@free.fr
See also: http://lesnouvellesdx.fr

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eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Allows Students to Contact Foreign Countries:

Posted: 05 Mar 2012 04:28 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27841

KJHK radio is not the only campus radio station.Tucked in acorner of Learned Hall, the KU Amateur Radio Club has a long-standing history with KU. Since it was formed in 1952, KU students have used the radios in the room, known as HAM radios, to communicate with and compete against people from across the globe. For most competitions, the goal is to contact as many people from a given area state or world wide as possible.
Long-distance contact is known as DXing, which is possible thanks to two large antennae on the roof of Learned. "Using this equipment, I've talked to people in France, Italy, Chile and Great Britain," said Michael Shook, a senior from Peoria, Ill., in the Amateur Radio Club. "I really like DXing and talking to someone from tens of thousands of miles away." Right now, there are a few upcoming amateur radio competitions, including one focused on contacting people from Kansas. Another competition, known as Field Day, takes place during the summer, where over 35,000 HAM radio operators from the United States and Canada participate in a variety of contests.

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New System To Forecast Space Weather:

Posted: 05 Mar 2012 04:25 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27840

A new system has been developed by British scientists that will forecast space weather in an effort to better protect satellites orbiting our planet from damaging solar storms. Led by researchers at the British Antarctic Survey (BAS), the SPACECAST project is expected to provide reliable web-based forecasts so that satellite operators will be able to take action to keep their navigational, communication, and scientific satellites from the radiation that solar storms produce. Researchers from six European countries partnered with two European companies and with colleagues from the US to use satellite data, ground-based measurements of the Earth's magnetic field, and computer models to make accurate forecasts of space weather. "For the first time, we can now forecast radiation levels for a whole range of different orbits, from geo-stationary to medium earth orbit where there is a tremendous growth in the number of satellites," Richard Horne, BAS's lead researcher of the project, said in a recent press release. GPS satellites, which orbit closer to Earth, passing through the

so-called Van Allen radiation belt -- a ring of charged particles trapped within a magnetic field encircling the planet above the equator -- are typically at a higher risk than other types of satellites.

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Sun Erupts With Major Solar Flare:

Posted: 05 Mar 2012 04:24 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27839

A major solar flare erupted from the sun late last night (March 4) sending an explosion of plasma and charged particles hurtling toward Earth.

284. HOT AND SEXY BED ROOM VIDEOS 250 MASLA KISS PHOTOS

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http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

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http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
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Date: 2012-03-07 02:17:51 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <e20caeaa-9ee2-46df-8aac-a569ec2eb53c@w19g2000vbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3452

On Mar 6, 9:07 pm, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
> A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE
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286. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1331103900@panix.com>
Source record: 3453
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

287. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1331104201@panix.com>
Source record: 3454
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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288. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 7 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-07 11:29:00 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f23586b0da33704baa576c6@google.com>
Source record: 3455
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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DXpedition to atoll of Tarawa - T30PY /T30SIX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6-V8doQrAGc/dxpedition_to_atoll_of_tarawa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are delighted to announce the DXpedition to the atoll of Tarawa in
Western Kiribati, between 16 and 25, October 2012

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RAF Airfields on the Air - RAFARS AOTA event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JaQ4Mz-zV1A/raf_airfields_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

All Amateur Radio Stations World Wide are welcome to take part, and in
particular RAFARS Members/ATC/Clubs are asked to take part to put on as
many AOTA Stations as possible to make it a great success

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4kEWzbes90s/february_03.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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DQ0STRATEX stratospheric balloon project special event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UUS6JWefJdQ/dq0stratex.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DQ0STRATEX is a special event call on the occasion of the stratospheric
balloon project (StratexB) planned for March 2012 by the local DARC clubs
Duelmen and Luedinghausen

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Ofcom - London 2012 Games Final Update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f-rN53YEFMM/ofcom_london_2012_games_final_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The communications regulator Ofcom has issued its final update on spectrum plans for the Olympic and Paralympic Games

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VO-52 to return soon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lSmOvU5tEcE/vo52_to_return_soon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mani VU2WMY reports good news about the SSB/CW amateur radio satellite HAMSAT (VO-52) that fell silent on February 28

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Titanic Memorial

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oR1BedVhgiw/titanic_memorial.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob, G3XNG will be operating the 'M0RSE' callsign during the weekend of 14th and 15th April 2012 as part of the Titanic Centenary remembrance weekend

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How Radio Waves Are Produced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/l_pGNQuxG_k/how_radio_waves_are_produced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A YouTube video describes how radio waves are produced

289. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 7 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-07 17:54:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8a7e62e8de04baaad85c@google.com>
Source record: 3456
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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SPECIAL EVENT - Battle of San Jacinto

Posted: 07 Mar 2012 08:33 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336971-SPECIAL-EVENT-Battle-of-San-Jacinto&goto=newpost

KD5HLB SPECIAL EVENT - Battle of San Jacinto, Saturday, April 21, from 0700 hours to 2300 hours on 14.240, 24.950, 7.240, and 28.340. I hope to work your station! Follow the link and read about this important battle for Texas independence. A certificate is available for radio amateurs who work this event. Please send your QSL card/contact information with a #11 SAE and return postage.

https://www.tsl.state.tx.us/treasure...n-jacinto.html

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The Queens Diamond jubilee special callsigns

Posted: 07 Mar 2012 07:36 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336959-The-Queens-Diamond-jubilee-special-callsigns&goto=newpost

This year marks Queen Elizabeths Diamond jubilee, to celebrate this amatuers all over the united kingdom will be using special callsigns, these callsigns can be heard on air from 00:00 BST 0n the 5th of May 2012 to 23:59 BST on the 10th of June 2012 inclusive.

My intermiediate callsign 2E0SCC, will change for the duration of this event to 2Q0SCC, so if you wish to get this special callsign in your log book then listen out between the dates previously mentioned and i will try to make myself heard with my 50 watts of power output. ;)

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TO3X Saint Barthelemy Island

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 08:19 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336808-TO3X-Saint-Barthelemy-Island&goto=newpost

ON4CIT, OS1T , ON4BEC will be active from Saint Barthelemy Island 16-30 April 2012 as TO3X

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...helemy-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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T30PY T30SIX Western Kiribati

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 08:18 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336807-T30PY-T30SIX-Western-Kiribati&goto=newpost

PT2OP, PY1KN , PY2PT, PY2XB , PY2WAS , PY3MM , PY4BZ , PY7XC and PY7ZY
will be active from Tarawa Island , Western Kiribati 16-25 October 2012 as
T30PY and T30SIX

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...tern-kiribati/

73 Al 4L5A

290. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-07 21:17:41 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201203072117.q27LHV66005616@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3457
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.10 - WEEK 10/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-03-07
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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DL2LAH/HS0ZIL, Karsten: On 4th march 2012 OM Joe (Pornchai
Joe Semjang), HS2JFW, was voted as President of the RAST (Radio Amateur
Society of Thailand).
Joe was the first HAM Radio Operator from Thailand who became QRV on
moonbouncing from HS in the year 2002! He is very active in all matters
of HAM Radio in Thailand and especially in VHF/UHF. We wish him a good
and always diplomatic hand in his work on efforts for HAM Radio in
Thailand!
Will we hear HS on 6m or 70cm EME soon??? Congrats to OM Joe, HS2JFW
from MMMonVHF.de and the whole VHF/UHF/SHF community!!
Karsten,DL2LAH/HS0ZIL for mmmonvhf.de

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 4U1ITU; square JN36BF; start 2012-03-23

After both C37MS and C56EME did win the trophy MMM expedition of the
year 2011 section MS and
EME, Chris and Rene where thinking to celebrate this by doing
something back for all those voters.

We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter from the ITU building in Geneva as
4U1ITU.
4U1ITU counts as a separate entity for the DXCC award and has never

been activated in WSJT.

We will be there from March 23rd till March 25th 2012, so only 3 days!
Don't miss it.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)
If all ok we will have a small 6 meter and 70cm setup with us too.

We will be on N0UK for last minute freq change.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

73 Chris PA2CHR, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4114

SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

Hello OM,
everything is ready for the J5 Guinea-Bissau DXpedition.
We finally received all the permits from the authorities in Bissau.
The calls J52EME for V-UHF and J52HF for HF are confirmed.
Two groups will operate simultaneously, with preference to the most
difficult communications, ie EME.
After much work we can announce that we'll be active on:
144 MHz with 2x8 xpol, preamplifier gift of WA2ODO, amplifier ITB
Colibrï¿½ 1kw.
432 MHz with 2 homemade LFA antennas 18 elements, yet to be found
preamplifier, amplifier ITB Colibrï¿½ 600w.
50 MHz, homemade LFA antenna 5 elements, amplifier ACOM 1000, homebuild
preamp MGF1302.
In the beginning was our intention to just operate 2m EME, but we have
received many requests for both 70cm and 6m, so we hope to please everyone.
In the first few days we'll be active on 144 MHz EME and HF, with some
jump on 6m Supertropo and ES. Then we'll pass on 430 and 50 MHz. We'll
try to satisfy everyone.
Just on arriving a group will start to create an internet connection
for the hospital, so we can use it too.
Frequencies:
144,130, 432.900 and 50.200. We'll call always in the even period.
Thanks for the help that you'll can give to our humanitarian/ham-radio
expedition.
Renato I3EJ we'll keep you informed during the DXpedition on our site:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm

and email questions to: veronadxteam@ari.verona.it

See you soon from J5 !
73 de I3LDP VeronaDXteam.

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3987

SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

** DXCC: EY; square MM48; start 2012-04-27

From April 27 untill April 29, Frank, DL8YHR, and Rene, PE1L, will be
active from Tadzjikistan via EME. Callsign not known yet. Locator will
be MM48JN near the city of Dushanbe and Dushanbe airport.
Frequencies: 144.134 and 432.090, EY will TX always first.
They will be on N0UK logger. They are only 2.5 moonpasses QRV so do not
miss them. Check the logger for last minute changes in frequency.
More info on:
http://www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme

SOURCE: Frank, DL8YHR and Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME
with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire
(PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near
Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the
weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit
insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.

We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a
update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We
have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4108

** DXCC IS; squares JN40, JN41, JM48, JM49; start 2012-06-12

Patrick, ON7ARQ will be QRV from Sardinia from June 12th untill June 26th.
During the contest on June 16th/17th he will be signing IM0/ON7ARQ (from
the Island Isola di San Pietro?)

SOURCE: Patrick, ON7ARQ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA; square KQ50; start 2012-08-11

Only 3 Squares remaining on a visit of the OH8K Team in the northern area -
KQ50 will be one and will be tried to activate in August 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to be qrv from KQ50
during 11-16. August 2012 as LA/OH6ZZ on 2m FSK/EME. QRG and more details
will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: 9M2; WEST MALAYSIA; start 2012-03-10

Take,JI3DST, plans to show up as 9M2/JI3DST (callsign may change) in
CW/SSB/FM on 80m-6m on Mar 10/11. QSL via homecall.

**DXCC: A3; TONGA; start 2012-03-07

Sigi,DL7DF, Manfred,DK1BT, Georg,DK7LX, Wolf,DL4WK, Reiner,DL7KL,
Juergen,DL7UFN, Frank,DL7UFR, Jan,SP3CYY, and Leszek,SP3DOI, will be
QRV from Tonga (OC-049) from Mar 7-24. They will use the callsign A35YZ
with several stations in CW, SSB and a separate station only for RTTY,
PSK31 and SSTV on 160m-6m. QSL via DL7DF, OQRS. See: http://dl7df.com

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**DXCC: DL; GERMANY; start 2012-03-10

DQ0STRATEX is a special event call on the occasion of the stratospheric
balloon project (StratexB) planned for March 2012 by the local DARC
clubs Duelmen (N28) and Luedinghausen (N29). They plan to send an
amateur radio load, consisting of an APRS and a speach beacon, to the
stratosphere with this balloon project. Another payload will be added
by the HAMs of the German Aerospace Center (DLR) in Bremen (I04) with
an experimental ADS-B receiver. The special event station DQ0STRATEX is
active in all modes on all bands between Jan 13,2012, and Jan 31, 2013,
handing out the special DOK STRATEXB. They have two balloon missions
planned, on Mar 10 around 0930 UTC and on Mar 24 around 1600 UTC,
both starting on the airport at Borkenberge near Luedinghausen.
The APRS beacon is transmitting on 144.800 MHz and the speach beacon
in FM on 430.375 MHz. SWL reports are highly appreciated (also online).
QSL cards via DK4REX. See also: http://www.darc.de/distrikte/n/29

**DXCC: PJ2; CURACAO; start 2012-03-12

PJ2/DK5ON is going to hit the airwaves from Curacao (SA-099) in SSB,
RTTY and PSK on 10/12/15/17/20/40/6m from Mar 12-30. QSL via homecall.

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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291. eHam.net News for Wednesday 7 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-07 23:52:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efb7212890004baafdac5@google.com>
Source record: 3458
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Kids Will Ham It Up, Radio Style:

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 04:34 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27854

In the event of hurricanes, fires, floods, earthquakes and other disasters, you can count on amateur (or Ham) radio to provide vital links to agencies and city services such as fire, police and ambulance. On Tuesday, March 20, local kids can join Surrey Museum and Surrey Emergency Program Amateur Radio Society (SEPAR) in an amateur radio emergency communications workshop at the museum, at 17710 56A Ave. The session (from 2 to 4 p.m.) will focus on how amateur radio provides communities with emergency communications when commercial systems are not operational. The hands-on workshop is designed for kids age nine and older. Admission is free, but space is limited; preregister by calling 604-592-6956. Workshop participants will talk to people in other countries, experience digital communications without the internet, learn how radio waves travel, simulate a ground control/International Space Station contact, try Morse code and watch videos. Also, kids will learn that new technology is not always superior to old technology and is anything but obsolete.

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Father, Son Team Up in 'Outer Space':

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 04:32 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27853

Two Anderson Township amateur radio operators recently sent and received a photo from a satellite that was manually deployed from the International Space Station. Farrell Winder and his son, Jeff Winder, had helped in the development of SuitSat-1 - a worn-out Russian spacesuit that was recycled, outfitted with an amateur radio transmitter and batteries, and tossed from the International Space Station in 2006. Amateur radio operators were able to receive its signals on earth, but the batteries ran down in two weeks and the space suit eventually burned up as it spiraled into earth's atmosphere. The limited success of SuitSat-1, however, inspired the development of a much newer advanced concept called ARISSat-1, which was launched in August 2011 from the International Space Station.

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W2E - Doomsday 2012 - Special Event:

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 04:33 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27852

The event celebrates the end of the Mayan Calendar and what has been characterized in popular culture as Doomsday 2012. The special 1x1 Call - W2E is short for "World 2 End" Special event operators will be making QSOs on the following frequencies, plus or minus: 3.866 MHz, 7.266 MHz, 14.266 MHz, 21.366 MHz, and 28.366 MHz.

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Henryville, IN Tornado:

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 04:35 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27842

On Friday March 2nd an inbound cold front brought extreme weather to the Ohio Valley area. The Clark County RACES team conducted a Skywarn net relaying weather reports to the Louisville, KY National Weather Service office. This front spawned several tornadoes which took a track through the Northern part of Clark and other nearby counties. After the storms passed we started receiving reports of massive destruction in the Henryville and Marysville Indiana areas.

292. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 8 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-08 07:32:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407c1e9b53b04bab646ee@google.com>
Source record: 3459
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention at the 37th Annual Stuart Hamfest,
17 March

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 09:12 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336819-ARRL-Southern-Florida-Section-Convention-at-th
e-37th-Annual-Stuart-Hamfest-17-March&goto=newpost

This is (again) a FREE hamfest and Convention- come join the fun!

The focus of this year□s event is on Storm Spotting and Emergency
Communications with an educational forum led by Mike Corey, ARRL Emergency
Preparedness and Response Manager and author of the ARRL Storm Spotter□s
Handbook. Other forums include talking to hams all over the world (DX),
plus you can learn how to get started in this exciting hobby. We have a
prize drawing at the end of the day with over $2000 in Amateur radio prizes
on raffle.

Prizes this year are:

Grand Prize Yaesu FT-450D

2nd Prize ICOM IC-208H 2M/440 mobile

3rd Prize Yaesu FT-60R Dual Band hand held

plus more...

(our thanks to R and L for selling the major prizes to us at cost to
support our event)

You need not be present to win the major prizes and anyone may enter the
raffle via a donation at http://www.stuarthamfest.com/ (yes, Virginia- that
is how we pay for this free event). Want a chance to win? Get the details
on the site.

On the third weekend in March each year hundreds of Amateur Radio operators
(□hams□) and people interested in technology from all over the state come
to the Martin County Fairgrounds, 2616 SE Dixie Hwy, Stuart, Florida for
the Martin County Amateur Radio Association (MCARA) Stuart Hamfest. The
37th annual event will be open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturday, March
17, 2012. Admission and Parking is Free to all. 2012 marks the second time
the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) has designated the event as the ARRL
Southern Florida Section Convention.

293. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 8 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-08 11:51:30 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f83aae579c8b004bab9e46a@google.com>
Source record: 3460
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2VJEqYVjvjc/march_08.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There was lots of DX about but 3C6A (Equatorial Guinea) headed things in
the early part of the week, then CE3FZL (Chile) and VQ9FT (Chagos Islands),
with 3G3M (Chile) easily top both days during the contest

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Hamvention 2012 Awards Committee chooses 2012 winners

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DHErTsUFk2I/hamvention_2012_awards_committee_chooses_2012_winners.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Hamvention Awards Committee has announced the winners for 2012. Mr. S.
Suri, VU2MY, has been selected as the amateur of the year

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Titanic - GR100MGY

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/79nliS0LTVs/titanic_gr100mgy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GR100MGY, run by the Wye Valley Amateur Group, will operate from Tuesday
April 10 to Monday April 16, 2012 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of
the ill-fated voyage of RMS Titanic

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New Cuban Amateur Radio Satellite Group formed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LpGLQHX8ggE/new_cuban_amateur_radio_satellite_group_formed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hector CO6CBF brings news of the formation of Grupo de Radioaficionados
para Operaciones Satelitales (GROS)

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DXpedition to Namibia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CzPaSdD0fcg/dxpedition_to_namibia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David, Gillian, Richard and Kalle fly out to Cape Town arriving on March
14. They will drive up to Oranjemund on the 18th and begin operating on the
19th

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Senegal celebrates new 6m allocation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AZEY9eDwDBs/senegal_celebrates_new_6m_allocation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Saly Amateur Radio Club Station (ADRASEC) in Mbour will
activate the special callsign 6V7SIX to celebrate the newly allocated band
50-51 MHz in Senegal, recently obtained at WRC-12

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Another Major Flare

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7DgdSiN8NmE/another_major_flare.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Big sunspot AR1429 has unleashed another major flare--an X5-class eruption
on March 7th at 00:28 UT

294. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 8 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-08 17:54:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d3b3cb0a704babef6b3@google.com>
Source record: 3461
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Special EVENT K3B Freq. Assignments Announced March 31- Apr 1.

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 04:41 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337105-Special-EVENT-K3B-Freq-Assignments-Announced-March-31-Apr-1&goto=newpost

Frequency Assignments for K3B Special Event Station by N3YFO Radio Officer.

March 31, - Apr 1, 2012 http://www.cambriaradio.com

http://qrz.com/db/k3b

:rolleyes:

HF Voice Frequency

80 m 3.910

40 m 7.260

20 m 14.310 Digital at 14.070.15 PSK 31.

10 m 28.410

2-Meter Frequency Use Alpha 1 Common (6)

Alpha 2 146.415 QSO

Alpha 3 146.430 QSO

Alpha 4 146.445 QSO

Alpha 5 146.460 QSO

Alpha 6 146.475 QSO

Alpha 7 146.490 QSO/Grove Ops 1

Bravo 1 146.505 Bravo Common (5)

Bravo 2 146.535 QSO

Bravo 3 146.550 QSO

Bravo 4 146.565 QSO

Bravo 5 146.580 QSO

Bravo 6 146.595 QSO

Charlie 1 147.405 Charlie Common (6)

Charlie 2 147.420 QSO

Charlie 3 147.435 QSO

Charlie 4 147.450 QSO

Charlie 5 147.465 QSO

Charlie 6 147.480 QSO

Charlie 7 147.495 QSO/Grove Ops 2

Delta 1 147.510 Digital (2)

Delta 2 147.525 Digital

Echo 1 147.540 Echo Common (3)

Echo 2 147.555 QSO

Echo 3 147.570 QSO

Echo 4 147.585 QSO

Common X 147.550 Cambria County ARES simplex common

Romeo 1 145.210 - Cambria Central Repeater

All Amateur Mobile Units will use the 145.210 KC3DES Repeater (Romeo1) for check in.

Use of the Common Assigned ARES frequency X 147.550 should be limited as last resort.

Operators will be assigned to a group for QSO supervision. The common group frequency is the initial contact place for group members. For a QSO, move to the named frequency under the group. Announce that you are QSYing to, lets say Echo 2. When you return from Echo 2 QSY announce your return on the group common, in this case Echo 1. It would be nice to have someone in each group assign and monitor allocations. Delta 1 - 2 are for digital use simplex.

295. The ARRL Letter for March 8, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-08 21:30:34 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120308203741.713792137E@bmail.arrl.org>
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+ Available on ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.
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==> + DAYTON HAMVENTION®: DAYTON HAMVENTION HONORS QST TECHNICAL EDITOR JOEL HALLAS, W1ZR, WITH TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

On March 6, the Dayton Hamvention® Awards Committee announced the recipients of Hamvention's four annual awards. QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, was named the winner of the Technical Achievement Award. The recipient of the Amateur of the Year is S. Suri, VU2MY. Steven Betza, WZ2V, was selected as the recipient of the Special Achievement Award. The Deutscher Amateur Radio Club -- Germany's IARU Member-Society -- was selected as the Club of the Year. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/dayton-hamvention-honors-em-qst-em-technical-editor-joel-hallas-w1zr-with-technical-achievement-awar>.

==> + ON THE AIR: NEW 60 METER PRIVILEGES NOW IN EFFECT

As of March 5, US amateurs have new privileges on the 60 meter band. In addition to an increase in effective radiated power from 50 to 100 W, hams can now transmit CW and PSK31 on the following channel-center frequencies:

- Channel 1: 5332.0 kHz
- Channel 2: 5348.0 kHz
- Channel 3: 5358.5 kHz
- Channel 4: 5373.0 kHz
- Channel 5: 5405.0 kHz

Amateurs can also transmit USB voice and PACTOR III on the following suppressed carrier frequencies (the frequencies typically shown on transceiver displays):

- Channel 1: 5330.5 kHz
- Channel 2: 5346.5 kHz
- Channel 3: 5357.0 kHz
- Channel 4: 5371.5 kHz
- Channel 5: 5403.5 kHz

For more information, please see 60 Meter Operations -- New Privileges and Recommended Practices <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Regulatory/Recommended_Practices_for_60_Meters%20-%20Version%206_4.pdf>, published <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-publishes-new-guidelines-for-60-meters> by the ARRL HF Band Planning Committee. A revised ARRL band chart <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Hambands_color.pdf> is also available. Watch for the article "New Privileges on 60 Meters" by ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, in the April 2012 issue of QST.

==> ON THE AIR: ARRL SEEKS COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 9 CM BAND PLAN

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received. Thanks to all of you who took the time to share information with us. After reading the feedback, the committee began working on the band plans; the first draft plan ready for review is for the 9 cm band (3300-3500 MHz). Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-comments-on-proposed-9-cm-band-plan>.

==> + PROPAGATION NEWS: ACTIVE SUNSPOT REGION 1429 PRODUCES SOLAR FLARES, CORONAL MASS EJECTIONS

This week has been an active week for our Sun. An X-1.1 class solar flare erupted from the Sun on March 4 at 11:13 PM EST (0413 UTC March 5), sending an explosion of plasma and charged particles -- a coronal mass ejection (CME) -- hurtling through space. Forecasters at NOAA's

Space Weather Prediction Center are saying that this CME should miss Earth, but it will hit Mercury and Venus. Then on March 6 at 7:28 PM EST (0028 UTC March 7), the Sun released a solar flare, the strongest one this year. The X-5 class flare hurled another CME into space, but it is too soon to tell if this is an Earth-directed flare. This activity is coming from sunspot 1429, which is currently making its way around the northern hemisphere of the Sun.

Sunspot 1429 -- which emerged on the Sun on March 2 and is estimated to be at least four to five times larger than Earth -- is slowly turning to face Earth, so if any such eruptions do occur, they are increasingly likely to be geoeffective.

When a CME hits the Earth's atmosphere -- approximately 72 hours after exploding on the Sun -- the low bands will be depressed and signals will be weaker the lower the frequency. The absorption rate will be most severe on 160 meters, less on 80 and somewhat better on 40 meters. The maximum usable frequency (MUF) -- the highest frequency at which a radio wave can propagate between given terminals by ionospheric propagation alone, independent of power -- will be lower and auroral propagation on the VHF bands is quite possible.

When aurorae occur, the electrons hit the ionosphere at the North and South geomagnetic poles, creating ionization. Waves that would normally travel off into space are bouncing off the aurora and being redirected back toward Earth. This can create opportunities for long-distance propagation via VHF and UHF. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/active-sunspot-region-1429-produces-solar-flares-coronal-mass-ejections>.

==> + DON'T BE FOOLED: CHECK OUT THE APRIL ISSUE OF QST

This April issue of QST remembers the wireless heroes of the RMS Titanic and the SS Carpathia 100 years ago, and also takes readers on a voyage to the South Orkney Islands for the VP8ORK DXpedition -- and more. So set aside a couple of hours, grab a beverage and get ready to have some radio fun with the April issue of QST.

In 2011, the Third Annual ARRL Homebrew Challenge presented the toughest challenge to date. In 2006, we asked readers to build a 5 W PEP 40 meter sideband and CW transceiver. In 2009, we upped the ante, looking for a 50 W linear amplifier to go along with the transceiver. For 2011, we challenged hams to come up with a single or multiband transceiver for 6 and/or 10 meters. Find out who walked away with the honors in "Homebrew Challenge III - And the Winner Is..." by QST Technical Editor Joel R. Hallas, W1ZR.

Eric Keerbs, AD7HM, discovers a way to let your radios talk to your computer using an interface converter in his article "Level Converter to Allow Full Control of Peripherals by Computer or Radio." In "A Transceiver-to-Amplifier Interface," Ed Toal, N9MW, presents an interface that you can use to safely switch your older linear amplifier

from your new transceiver. Paul Danzer, N1II, takes a look at window line and standing wave ratio in his article "Balanced Line SWR Measurement."

It's been 100 years since the RMS Titanic -- heralded as "unsinkable" -- struck an iceberg and sank to the bottom of the Atlantic, taking 1511 passengers and crew with it. Retired US Coast Guard Reserve Commander Richard Paton takes a look at the tragedy -- with a focus on Jack Phillips and Harold Bride, the two Marconi wireless operators on the Titanic -- in his article "Radio's Role in the Titanic Disaster." The "Vintage Radio" column profiles the wireless operator aboard the rescue ship, the SS Carpathia.

The VP8ORK DXpedition to the tip of the Antarctic Peninsula saw seals, dolphins and big pileups. Join Michael Mraz, N6MZ, as he recounts the Microlite Penguin DXpedition to the South Orkney Islands in "South of Sixty South." Make plans to join the ARRL and the ARRL EXPO at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention and the 2012 ARRL National Convention in California. Find out all you need to know about these two headlining events in "ARRL EXPO 2012 -- Save the Dates" by ARRL Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R.

NCJ Managing Editor Rick Lindquist, WW3DE, takes a look at the ICOM IC-9100 MF/HF/VHF/UHF transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says the rig is "compact and versatile. The IC-9100 handles almost any type of operating on the 160 meter through 2 meter bands, plus 70 and 23 cm."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the April QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is In, Short Takes, How's DX and more. Look for your April issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC REDUCES FORFEITURE FOR FLORIDA MAN ACCUSED OF USING UNAUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT

In November 2011, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Michael Perry of Cross City, Florida. In a Forfeiture Order released on March 6, the FCC reduced the forfeiture that Perry must pay to $450. Perry was accused of operating a radio transmitter without the requisite FCC authorization and his failure to operate a Citizens Band station, "willfully violat[ing]" Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended and Sections 95.409 (by operating an unlicensed and non-certificated CB transmitter) and 95.411 (by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter with two amplifiers) of the FCC's rules. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-reduces-forfeiture-for-florida-man-accused-of-using-unauthorized-equipment>.

==> ARRL ANNUAL AWARDS: NOMINATIONS FOR ARRL AWARDS NOW OPEN

Each year, the ARRL Board of Directors has the opportunity to select recipients for a number of awards in various categories that honor Amateur Radio operators. The nomination period is now open for the ARRL awards that are designed to recognize educational and technological pursuits in Amateur Radio, as well as an award to honor a young Amateur Radio operator. ARRL members can nominate hams for the Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award, the Hiram Percy Maxim Award, the ARRL Microwave Development Award, the ARRL Technical Service Award, the ARRL Technical Innovation Award and the Knight Distinguished Service Award. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/nominations-for-arrl-awards-now-open-1>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "If we can make it through the night we will see the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kiCuxOL7Ag4>" Cook, K7RA, reports: This has been quite a week for dramatic solar activity: The average daily sunspot number was up nearly 26 points to 69.4, while the average daily solar flux rose nearly 17 points to 121.9. The latest forecast has solar flux at 140 on March 8-9, 135 on March 10-11, 130 on March 12-13, 125 on March 14-15, then 130, 125, 120, 115, 115, 110 and 110 on March 16-22, then back down to 105 on March 23-25. The predicted planetary A index for March 8-10 is 75, 28 and 15, then 10 on March 11-13, 5 on March 14-16, then 12, 15, 10, and 8 on March 17-20, and 5 on March 21-27. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, March 9. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Good Charlotte's March On <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_charlotte>.

==> + DXCC NEWS: FOUR OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that four operations -- the current VK0TH and AX/VK0TH (Macquarie Island) operation, the current T6BP (Afghanistan) operation, the 2011 6O0M (Somalia) operation and the December 2011-January 2012 9U3TMM (Burundi) operation -- have been approved for DXCC credit. "If you have had these operations rejected in a recent application, please send an e-mail <bmoore@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note that due to heavy e-mail volume, you may not receive a reply. Once updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) accounts, as well as online in the daily listings <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc>."

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- March 10 -- AGCW QRP Contest
- March 10-11 -- Idaho QSO Party; EA PSK63 Contest
- March 11 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); SKCC Weekend Sprint

- March 11-12 -- Wisconsin QSO Party
- March 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- March 17 -- 10-10 International Mobile Contest; Feld Hell Sprint; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- March 17-18 -- North Dakota QSO Party; Oklahoma QSO Party; Virginia QSO Party; Russian DX Contest
- March 17-19 -- BARTG HF RTTY Contest
- March 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- March 22 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> + ENTER THE SEVENTH ANNUAL ARRL PHOTO CONTEST!

Have you ever wanted to see a photo of yours in QST, the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Calendar or another ARRL publication? Well, here's your chance! If you're among the winners, not only will your photographic skill be propagated far and wide, but we're offering $100 as the First Prize. The winning photo and three runners-up will be published in QST. All submitted photos will also be considered for the 2013 ARRL Calendar. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/enter-the-seventh-annual-arrl-photo-contest>.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- When operating CW, do you send the symbol "@" (di-dah-dah-di-dah-dit), or do you spell out "at" (di-dah/dah)?
- Is your primary station computer a desktop, laptop or tablet?
- Does your local Amateur Radio club still publish a newsletter?
- How many times has your primary call sign changed over the years?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the June 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 9-10 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-52nd-annual-acadiana
-hamfest>,
Rayne, Louisiana; ARRL Oklahoma State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-state-convention-green-country-hamfest
-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 10-11 -- ARRL Roanoke Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/roanoke-division-convention-charlotte-hamfest-t
m>,
Concord, North Carolina
- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest
>,
Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine
- April 7 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-1>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett,
Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle,
Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho;
63rd International DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>,
Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radi
o-electronics-expo-1>,
Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe,
Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon

- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

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Date: 2012-03-08 23:07:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407ef508e7904bac3588b@google.com>
Source record: 3463
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Second Biggest Flare Of the Solar Cycle:

Posted: 07 Mar 2012 01:31 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27862

NASA models using data from the Solar Terrestrial Relations Observatory (STEREO) and the Solar Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO) have now provided more information about the two CMEs associated with the two March 6 flares. The first is traveling faster than 1300 miles per second; the second more than 1100 miles per second. NASA's models predict that the CMEs will impact both Earth and Mars, as well as pass by several NASA spacecraft - Messenger, Spitzer, and STEREO-B. The models also predict that the leading edge of the first CME will reach Earth at about 1:25 AM EST on the morning of March 8 (plus or minus 7 hours). =Such a CME could result in a severe geomagnetic storm, causing aurora at low latitudes, with possible disruption to high frequency radio communication, global positioning systems (GPS), and power grids. The sun erupted with one of the largest solar flares of this solar cycle on March 6, 2012 at 7PM EST. This flare was categorized as an X5.4, making it the second largest flare - after an X6.9 on August 9, 2011 - since the sun's activity segued into a period of relatively low activity called solar minimum in early 2007.

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Magnetic Storm Watch March 8 UTC:

Posted: 07 Mar 2012 01:03 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27855

The CME that erupted late on March 4 passed ACE around 0400 UTC March 7 (11:00 p.m. EST March 6). As a result, storming reaching the G2 (Moderate) level continues at this time. Another CME, part of the recent R3 (Strong) Radio Blackout event at 0024 UTC March 7 (7:24 p.m. EST March 6) is forecast to pass ACE early morning UTC on March 8 (start of day EST March 8).

297. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 9 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-09 07:10:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2352f5c43e8504baca144c@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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37th Annual Stuart Hamfest-Florida's Largest FREE Hamfest

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 06:26 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336790-37th-Annual-Stuart-Hamfest-Florida-s-Largest-FREE-Hamfest&goto=newpost

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298. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1804 - March 9 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-09 10:00:11 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1804 - March 9 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1804 with a release date of March 9th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The Dayton Hamvention announces its 2012 award winners, the Sun erupts with a massive C-M-E hurled toward Earth, Brazil bans DXpedition operations from Saint Peter and Saint Paul, new rules now in effect for U-S hams on 60 meters, and a new movie about going into space from Richard Garriott, W5KWQ. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1804 coming your way right now.

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RADIO HONORS: HAMVENTION ANNOUNCES 2012 AWARD WINNERS

Its honors time in amateur radio. This as the Dayton Amateur Radio Association announces the names of these years Hamvention Award winners. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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This year the Dayton Hamvention Awards Committee has gone world wide in choosing who would receive the Hamvention's 2012 honors. Named as Radio Amateur of the Year award recipient is Mr. S. Suri, VU2MY, of Hyderbad, India. Mr. Suri can be described as the Hirum Percy Maxim of that nation. Among his numerous achievements, VU2MY was instrumental in establishing the art and science of amateur radio in India as well as leading the effort to establish the world acclaimed National Institute of Amateur Radio. Staying with his avocation, Mr. Suri has lead search, rescue and recovery efforts in many natural emergency events throughout India and elsewhere.

Technical Achievement Award recipient Joel Hallas, W1ZR, of Westport, Connecticut, is likely best known for his monthly QST column titled "The Doctor Is In." This ongoing series is designed to answer many of the basic and not-so-basic technical questions of ham radio that readers may have on their minds. More important, W1ZR responds to these questions in an easy to read format that might best be cited as having a unique appeal especially to newcomers to the hobby.

In addition to his writing for QST, W1ZR is the author of several well read books. These include such titles as Basic Radio, Basic Antennas,

The ARRL Guide to Antenna Tuners, Care and Feeding of Transmission Lines and Understanding and Using Your Antenna Analyzer. He has also garnered many technical awards and remains one of the top technical authors in the field of amateur radio.

This years Special Achievement Award recipient is Steven Betza, WZ2V, of Endicott, New York. According to the Awards Committee, Betza enjoys teaching students by using live experiments and missions. Through a project called "Blue Horizon," WZ2V has already licensed 38 new hams, set the world record for the highest amateur balloon at 125,000 feet, and demonstrated many technical feats relating to that record breaking flight. He also has contributed in a major way to college and high school education programs in Electronic Engineering.

Last but by no means least, the annual Club of the Year Award goes to Deutsche Amateur Radio Club. Better known by its initials DARC, the group has organized Germany into one unified national radio society that can easily be compared to the ARRL here in the United States. The DARC provides educational and technical support for radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Prior to formal regulations in Germany, the DARC provided guidance in terms of frequency and power management. Today, in addition to all of its other responsibilities, the DARC plays a major role in training and licensing across Germany and is well respected throughout the European Union.

With our sincere congratulations to all of this years Hamvention Award winners, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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The winners will receive their honors at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. Its scheduled for May 18th to the 20th at the Hara Arena in the Dayton suburb of Trotwood, Ohio. Amateur Radio Newsline plans to be there to bring you all the sound of this years Dayton Hamvention event. (Hamvention 2012)

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PROPAGATION: SUN EJECTS LARGE CME

The largest solar flare in five years began racing toward Earth on Wednesday March 7th, threatening to unleash a torrent of charged particles that could disrupt communications world-wide.

As this report is being prepared, the government's Space Weather Prediction Center had issued a warning that the effects of the Coronal Mass Ejection or CME were expected to begin around 7 a.m. Eastern time on Thursday, March 8th. Forecasters say the flare was growing as it sped outward from the sun.

Joseph Kunches is a scientist for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. He said that this particular solar storm was likely to last through Friday morning, March 9th but warned that the region of

the Sun that erupted can still send more CME's our way. Kunches noted that another set of active sunspots is ready visible on the solar disk and that these could also erupt and send more CME's our way.

This latest solar storm comes on the heels of an earlier and weaker solar eruption happened Sunday, March 4th. For updates on this and other solar flare-ups please keep an eye on www.spaceweather.com. (Spaceweather, NOAA, others)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: BRAZIL BANS PY0S DX OPERATIONS

The Southgate News reports that radio amateur are now prohibited from operating DXpeditions from the Brazilian Archipelago of Saint Peter and Saint Paul also known as PY0S. This is a remote group of islands near the equator whose maximum elevation is only 18 about meters above sea level. It's also the nearest point of Brazil to Africa, lying about 1820 kilometers from Guinea Bissau. St. Peter & St. Paul was rated number 16 in 2011 DXCC list of most wanted entities.

In a report credited to PS8RF and the Brazilian Amateur Radio League and some DX groups in Brazil have shown their displeasure with this government ban in postings on various social websites. PS8RF told Southgate that there is already a major mobilization by the Brazilian ham community aimed at urging the nations Senators and Federal Representatives to reverse the decision on the to ban. PS8RF notes that the biggest concern among Brazilian hams is that this decision could open unheard restrictions to other entities in Brazil as in other parts of the world where there is no amateur radio activity. More on this breaking news item is on-line at www (dot) teresinadxgroup (dot) com. (Southgate, PS8RF)

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RADIO LAW: NEW US 60 METER RULES NOW IN EFFECT

Effective Monday, March 5th United States radio amateurs were granted new operating privileges on the 60 meter band. In addition to an increase in effective radiated power from 50 to 100 watts, hams can now transmit CW and PSK31. More information on what modes can be used on what frequencies is on-line at the ARRL website. The quick link to it is tinyurl.com/60-meters-now. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: OTTAWA CANADA LOOKS AT BIG HAM ANTENNA RESTRICTIONS

Ottawa Canada's proposed rules for where private radio operators can put their antennas need another look. This according to the City Council's Rural-Affairs Committee which met two days after the city's Planning Committee reached a similar decision. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, reports:

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According to the on-line Ottawa Citizen, the regulations are aimed at restricting big and intrusive antenna installations while staying out of the way of small ones. But Ottawa area hams have warned City Councilors that they do not agree with the way that they are written,.

Under the rules, antennas on residential properties would be exempt from public consultations as long as they are under 15 meters in height and at the back of a house.

Radio amateurs counter that this type of a regulation would leave little room for a working antenna above many trees and roof lines. Also that it unduly restricts unobtrusive antennas that would be less visible in front yards than telephone wires, and it doesnt distinguish between an urban house and a rural one, where neighbors might be much too far away to care which yard has an antenna in it.

Like the Planning Committee the Rural-Affairs Committee approved the rules their staff had made up, but nevertheless asked for tweaks and improvements to be made before the issue heads to City Council for a final vote on March 28.

The Canadian Province of Ottawa is home to about 1,400 amateur radio operators. City Council members have already been told that ham radio operators comes are a vital resource during rare disasters like extended power failures. Amateur radio enthusiasts were instrumental in setting up communications during the 1998 ice storm, particularly on the hard-hit South Shore of Montreal.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, Im Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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According to the March 1st story, the city of Ottawa cannot actually control the placement of private or commercial antennas. That's the purview of Canadian federal telecommunications regulator Industry Canada. However Industry Canada does give municipalities a chance to comment when it's making decisions so that citizens can express what a city thinks is right for them. Now the Ottawa City Council must convince Industry Canada to adopt them. (ottawacitizen.com)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA4TEN repeater serving the city of Knoxville, Tennessee.

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RESCUE RADIO: TRAINED EMCOMM OPERATORS NEEDED IN WAKE OF INDIANA TORNADO

Ham radio operators were activated after a rash of tornadoes hit in several states. We have more in this report:

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Trained ham radio communicators are needed in Clark County, Indiana following tornadoes that devastated the area on March 2nd.

In a posting to the Indiana Ham remailer picked up on QRZ.com, Jeff Brady, N9WSV, who is the Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Clark County, Indiana, says that more operators are needed to assist in recovery efforts Brady says that they could use additional operators to man various posts even if its only for a few hours a day.

But do not just show up on site. Rather, if you can assist first contact N9WSV by phone at 502-777-7304 or e-mail to n9wsv (at) arrl (dot) net. If you are in the area he is monitoring the146.94 repeater which requires a 67hz sub-audible access tone.

N9WSV adds that the local team of ham radio operators have put in many hours and any relief is greatly appreciated.

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More on this story in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (W8ISH, IN_HAM, QRZ.com)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: BOSTON AREA HAMS NEEDED FOR 44TH PROJECT BREAD WALK FOR HUNGER EVENT

The 44th running of the Boston, Massachusetts area Project Bread Walk for Hunger takes place on on Sunday, May 6th. Communications planners say that they licensed radio amateurs to provide communications support for the Project Bread Staff and volunteers along the 20 mile walk. If you are interested in helping out this year, please take your web browser to www.mmra.org/wfh to log in and fill out the signup form. Questions go to wfh12 (at) mmra (dot) org. (KA1NCF)

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RADIO POLITICS: A TINY MOVE TOWARD CONFIRMING NEW COMMISSIONERS

There could be some movement on the stalled FCC nominee front, but not very much. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, reports:

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According to a spokesperson for Senator Charles Grassley his staffers met with those of Commerce Committee Chairman Senator Jay Rockefeller on Monday February 27th to discuss the senator's hold on two pending FCC Commissioner nominations. These are Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Pai.

The Grassley spokesperson called the meeting a "development" rather than "progress." She added that she would not further characterize the meeting beyond saying it was about the nominations, Senator Grassley's hold threat and a possible resolution.

The Grassley warning stems from his request for documents related to the FCC's LightSquared waiver. These are documents that the FCC has refused to provide based on the agency's claim that Senator Grassley is not the chair of a relevant committee. That decision by the FCC to effuse the request has sparked a confrontation between the senator and the regulatory agency.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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The FCC has been without a full complement of commissioners since last spring, when it was reduced to four by the exit of Meredith Attwell Baker. It has been at three since the retirement of Michael Copps at the end of last year. (B&C)

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ENFORCEMENT: FLORIDA CB OPERATOR ORDERED TO PAY A REDUCED $450 FINE

The FCC has affirmed a reduced fine of $450 issued to a Florida C B radio operator based only on his proven inability to pay a much higher $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture. In ordering Michael W. Perry of Cross City to pay the reduced amount, the commission turned away his claim that he was not using a non-certified transmitter or an external power amplifier on the 11 meter band.

In its order, the FCC indicated that there was ample physical evidence in this case and that the $10,000 fine was being reduced solely based on Perry proving that the fine would be a financial hardship on him. However it also cautioned Perry that a party's inability to pay is only one factor in its forfeiture calculation analysis. The FCC stated that it has it has previously rejected inability to pay claims in cases of repeated or otherwise egregious violations. Therefore, future violations of this kind may result in significantly higher forfeitures that may not be reduced due to Perry's financial circumstances.

Perry was given the customary 30 days from the date that the Forfeiture Order was affirmed to pay the $450. If he fails to do so the matter could be turned over to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: NO STAFF AND YOU GET A FINE

The FCC issued a notice of apparent liability to Taylor Broadcasting, which owns WJTB AM in Elyria, Ohio. This for allegedly failing to maintain management and staff presence at its main studio.

In issuing the proposed $10,000 fine the FCC said that its agents visited WJTB to inspect it in March 2010 but found the main studio locked and apparently empty. According to the FCC, a person who identified herself as Ms. Taylor drove up and them and said that they would have to talk to a Mr. Taylor. She gave the agents a phone number but even armed with that contact information the agents were unable to reach him or gain access to the studio.

Later, after the FCC wrote a letter of inquiry, the company replied that its personnel do not work specific days and times, but rather are scheduled as needed. It also said that that the agents should have pushed the entry buzzer. But when FCC agents returned in August, they again found the door locked, with no one answering knocks, and no entry buzzer button to press.

In issuing the proposed fine, the FCC says that Taylor Broadcasting's claim that station personnel are scheduled as needed has not resulted in a meaningful management and staff presence at its main studio. The base fine for such cases is $7,000 but the commission set the penalty at $10,000, saying Taylor's continued failure to comply with the commission's main studio requirements even after being advised of this demonstrates a deliberate disregard for the rules.

Taylor Broadcasting was given the customary 30 days from the date the Notice of Apparent Liability was issued to pay it or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO WEATHER: HIGH WINDS SHUT DOWN ILLINOIS TV STATION

Dual station WTVO and WQRF in Rockford, Illinois was forced off the air on Friday, March 2nd and staff evacuated from the building. This as heavy snow and low altitude winds caused guy wires on the stations 700 foot high tower to whip around wildly.

The stations Chief Engineer Mike Real. In a media interview he said that in all the years that he has been at WTVO and WQRF that he has never seen the tower guy system reacting in that way. He noted that the swaying guy wires had the ability to actually start shaking the tower down, or cause damage to the it which is what we wanted to check on. Because of this the station stayed off the air as crews examined the tower over the weekend.

In addition to the evacuation at WTVO and WQRF, 12 homes near the tower were evacuated Friday night. After the inspection was completed, WTVO-WQRF resumed broadcasting on Sunday night, March 4th. (WTVO-WQRF)

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HAM RADIO ON THE WEB: A VIDEO TOUR OF W1AW

In case you missed the live web tour of the February 12th of ARRL headquarters' flagship station W1AW you can now watch the 18 minute video on the ARRL website. In the show W1AW Station Manager Joe

Carcia, NJ1Q, led Geoff Fox, K1GF, on a tour of the famed station. Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of the New Day Group recording it for future netcasting. You can view that video tour at www.arrl.org/w1aw. It's at the bottom of the page. (ARRL)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: MARTLESHAM MICROWAVE ROUND TABLE APRIL 28-29

The 2012 Martlesham Microwave Round Table takes place April 28th and the 29th. This year's venue is the BT Adastral Park, Martlesham Heath, in the United Kingdom near the city of Suffolk.

Speakers scheduled so far include J.R. Miller, G3RUH; Andy Talbot, G4JNT; B.R. Coleman, G4NNS, and a number of other well known U-K microwave experimenters. The United States will be represented by well known author Kent Britain, WA5VJB of Grand Prairie, Texas.

This promises to be one of the best Martlesham Microwave Round Table in history. More information is on-line at mmrt.homedns. org. (UK Microwave Group)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3CGN APPOINTED RAC ONTARIO SEC

Some names in the news. Fist up is Scott Carter VE3CGN who has been appointed as the new Section Emergency Coordinator for A-R-E-S in Ontario, Canada. According to Radio Amateurs of Canada, Carter was the former District Emergency Coordinator for the Tecumsah District and holds many certifications in emergency management. He is also very active with the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network. His appointment was effective on March 1st. (RAC, VE3AJB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W5LFL AND W5KWQ - MAN ON A MISSION - THE MOVIE

And next we travel back in time to 1983. That's when then NASA astronaut and ham operator Owen Garriott, W5LFL, made the first manned amateur radio transmission from space. His pioneering effort from flight STS-9 paved the way for todays International Space Station ARISS program.

Several decades later, Owen's son Richard, W5KWQ, would fly to the ISS and use the same method to talk to his dad and many others here on planet Earth. Now, these historic moments have been captured in the exciting new documentary titled Man on a Mission. A film that reveals Richard Garriotts quest to become the first second generation American in space.

In a note to Amateur Radio Newsline via First Run Features, both W5LFL and W5KWQ ask that hams spread the word about this documentary to your club members and associates in the amateur radio community. Currently,

Man on a Mission is available nationwide via Video on Demand. A DVD release is planned for May 2012. More about this documentary is on-line at firstrunfeatures.com/manonamission. The films trailer ca ne seen at tinyurl.com/garriott-film. (Firstrun Features)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: UK SPECIAL 600 METER PERMITS EXTENDED

United Kingdom Notices of Variation to amateur radio licenses for special research permits to operate in the band 501 to 504 kHz have been extended to December 31st 2012. This as telecommunications regulator Ofcom has begun discussions with the Radio Society of Great Britain about the timetable for implementing the new secondary allocation to the amateur service, 472 to 479 kHz that was recently approved at WRC-12. The agreed upon availability date for this band to begin to become available for administrations world-wide to begin proceedings to open to their ham radio communities is effective as of January 1st, 2013. A United Kingdom Notices of Variation is the equivlant to an FCC issued Special Temporary Authority or STA grant here in the USA. (RSGB)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAMSAT VO-52 GOES SILENT

The HAMSAT VO-52 amateur radio satellite that suddenly ceased operating last month could return to the air. According to V-U-2-W-M-Y, the satellite is in what he calls "excellent health" following recovery efforts and is currently under observation by ground controllers in India.

By way of background, on February 28th all transmissions from HAMSAT VO-52 ceased. Since then neither its beacon nor it's 435 to 145 MHz linear transponder had been heard by stations on the ground. However it now looks as if the bird is back to life, but there is one caveat.

VU2VMY notes that HAMSAT VO-52 is actually the property of the government of India. Therefore unlike other amateur radio satellites that are owned, operated and maintained by non-governmental agencies, detailed information on HAMSAT VO-52 cannot be shared with anyone in accordance with the prevailing governmental regulations. However VU2WMY adds that a decision about switching its transponder back on is

pending clearance.

VU2WMY adds that this is the first ever interruption in the services of the bird since HAMSAT VO-52 was commissioned on May 5th of 2005. (VU2VMY)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: VA3OOG TO BE FIRST CANADIAN TO COMMAND THE ISS

The BBC reports that astronaut Chris Hadfield, VA3OOG, who also holds the U-S call KC5RNJ will be the first Canadian to command the International Space Station.

According to the news report, Hadfield will begin his journey when he launches to the ISS on board a Russian Soyuz lift vehicle near the end of this year. For his first three months on-orbit the 52-year-old ham radio operator will serve as a flight engineer in the Expedition 34 crew. Then, in March 2013, he will assume command of Expedition 35 for three months before returning to Earth.

This will not be Hadfield's first trip into space. On past missions to orbit he became the first Canadian to undertake a spacewalk and was the first and only Canadian to board the Russian Mir space station.

VA3OOG was also the first Canadian to operate his country's major contribution to the space shuttle program. That being its famed robotic arm that was used in numerous space experiments, on-orbit repairs and to help build the ISS.

You can read more about Chris Hadfield, VA3OOG, and his coming trip to the ISS on line at tinyurl.com/va3oog-on-orbit. (BBC, Space Today)

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WORLDBEAT: TOKYO JAPAN HOME TO WORLDS TALLEST BROADCAST TOWER

A ceremony to mark the completion of the world's tallest freestanding broadcasting tower was held in Tokyo on Friday, March 2nd. Construction on the Tokyo Sky Tree tower began in 2008. It was completed a few days prior to its dedication ceremony.

The Sky Tree stands 2,080 feet tall and is claimed to be the tallest structure of its type ever built. It will eventually be the home of most broadcasting and two-way radio operations in that city.

Video of the new tower and the dedication ceremony is on-line at tinyurl.com/tall-tokyo-tower. And before you ask if will also be the home of any sort of ham radio relay operation we can only say that your guess is as good as ours. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: DRM COMING TO INDIA

All India Radio has outlined its digitization plan. This during the 18th Annual Broadcast Engineering Society of India event.

According to All India Radio Director General, a pair of one megawatt transmitters at Rajkot and Kolkata are likely to be operational by the end of March and an additional 72 Digital Radio Mondiale transmitters would be commissioned between June of this year and March 2013.

The ongoing rollout by All India Radio has gained the interest of receiver manufacturers, who were present at the event with their latest products. Digital Radio Mondiale member companies Nautel, Digidia, Fraunhofer, Harris and Thomson Broadcast attended the conference this year. (Radio Magazine)

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ON THE AIR: FLEMISH RADIO AMATEURS COMMEMORATE THE SINKING OF THE TITANIC 100 YEARS AGO

Three special call signs will be activated from April 1st to the 30th from Belgium by the Flemish Radio Amateurs organization. This to honor those who perished 100 years ago in the sinking of the steam ship Titanic.

OO100MGY by operated from the city of Antwerp. OR100MGY will take to the air from Knokke-Heist while OT100MGY will be on from Londerzeel.

During the weekend of April 14 through April 15, all three stations will be active during a marathon session from 12:00 Saturday until 16:00 Sunday UTC. Each of these stations has a special and unique QSL card available so that three different styles can be acquired. (FRA)

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In DX, word that the AX stroke VK0TH operation from Macquarie Island, the December 2011 and January 2012 9U3TMM DXpedition to Burundi and the 2011 6-Oh-Zero M operation from Somalia have all now been approved for DXCC credit. Also approved is the current T6BP operation from Afghanistan, If you had any of these operations rejected in a recent application send a note to bmoore (at) arrl ()dot) org to have your record updated. Moore notes that the AX stroke VK0TH operation is in addition to the VK0TH that has already been approved for DXCC recognition.

On the air look for the E51M DXpedition that is going to North Cook Islands. Its now announced that it will also be active as E51MCW from Rarotonga, South Cook Islands between April 11th and the 14th. Operations will be on all bands, including 60 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or via the bureau.

AG1LE will be active stroke KP2 from the Radio Reef Contest Station KP2M on St. Croix between April 4 to the 11th. QSL as directed on the air.

Lastly, F8FGU will be active as CN2RN from High Atlas, Morocco between April 3rd and the 30th. His operations will be on the High Frequency bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, either via the bureau or direct.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: PHILADELPHIA JOURNALISTS HONOR A FAMOUS RADIO AMATEUR

And finally this week, a special honor has been bestowed on a broadcast journalist who is considered to be the driving force that put manned amateur radio operations into space. He was truly a broadcast pioneer and a part of the Amateur Radio Newsline family as well. Mark Abramovich, NT3V, is here with the details:

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Many Newsline listeners recognize the name Roy Neal - the space voice of NBC News for many years and a big contributor to Newsline.

Well, what most may not know is the late Roy Neal, K6DUE, actually grew up here in Philadelphia and got his start in the broadcasting business right here.

A few months back, the Broadcast Pioneers of Philadelphia, inducted Roy Neal into their Broadcasters Hall of Fame.

Gerry Wilkinson, chairman of the board of the Broadcast Pioneers of Philadelphia, says Roy Neal got his start in the early days of radio and TV in Philadelphia.

"He was public affairs/news director at WIBG," Wilksinson says. "Then, he went over to WPTZ, Channel 3, which is now KYW-TV. It was owned by Philco and for four or five years he did television programs for them."

Wilkinson says Neal was bitten by the space bug early and there was no doubt that's what he wanted to talk about and cover the most.

And, Wilkinson says, he had the privilege over the years of keeping in touch with Neal - even after his retirement from the broadcast business.

"When you talked to him on the phone there was just story, after story, after story that he would tell you and he was just really a remarkable gentleman," Wilkinson recalls.

Wilkinson says Roy Neal never forgot his roots.

"He still loved Philadelphia," Wilkinson says. "The first three chapters of his book all deal with Philadelphia and he certainly never forgot Philadelphia."

Book you say?

Don't bother looking. Roy never finished that book. But sent several of his close friends, including Wilkinson, the first three chapters.

You can read it at the Broadcaster Pioneers website by going to the web address inserted in the text version of this story on our website arnewsline.org.

Finally, Wilkinson says while it took some time to getting Roy into the Philadelphia Hall of Fame, it was an honor well-deserved.

"He's one of us," Wilkinson says. "He's from Philadelphia. And, we really believed that what he did in Philadelphia and then later on in his career that he deserved to be honored."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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For us here at Amateur Radio Newsline its hard to believe that Roy has been gone some nine years. It seems like only yesterday when his signature sign off would end one of these newscasts. (Link to Roy Neal's book: http://www.broadcastpioneers.com/roynealbook.html) (NT3V)

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A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS - March 11 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
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VK's ROSS HULL CONTEST WON BY ZL

Proposals for 2013 WIA Annual Conference

ALARA and WARO news from ALARA President Tina VK5TMC

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
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One of the Show Piece contests put on by the WIA is the Ross Hull Contest.

The 2012 Ross Hull results have now been finalised.

In Section A, the top two scores were gained by Bob McQuarrie ZL3TY and
Stephen Hayman ZL1TPH - the first time the Ross Hull Contest has been won
by a station outside Australia.

Coming third as the top scoring VK station was Ted Thrift VK2ARA.

Next in line was Barrie Burns VK6ADI.

In the digital section, top score went to Dave VK2JDS with a log of 1296 MHz EME contacts, followed by one station from each of VK1, 4, 6, 7 and ZL.

Full details are available on the contest web page.
http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/rosshull/

John VK3KM

Proposals for 2013 WIA Annual Conference

At its February meeting, the Board of the WIA considered the venue for the 2013 Annual Conference weekend.

It had before it two submissions, one complete and another under development.

The Board has deferred its decision in this mater until the end of March and encourages any club (or group of clubs) considering applying to do so by close of business Friday March 30th.

Full details of what should be included in any application can be found by referring to the President's Comment in the July 2011 edition of "Amateur Radio" magazine which is reproduced at:

http://www.wia.org.au/joinwia/wia/presidentsmessage/

WIA Proposes Operating Principles

The Board of the Wireless Institute of Australia has adopted the following Operating Principles as a guide for all amateurs:

We, the Australian Radio Amateurs will at all times:

act and operate with integrity;

be honest in our dealings;

ensure that the operating equipment of our station is safe for ourselves and for visitors to our station;

show respect to and extend courtesy to fellow amateurs and other spectrum users;

be aware of and comply with our license conditions and the other laws and regulations that govern the installation and operation of our station;

encourage others to participate in amateur radio;

strive to improve our technical and operating skills;

assist our community in emergencies;

ensure that any spectrum interference issues resulting from the operation of our station are resolved promptly and with courtesy, and

promote the benefits of amateur radio to the community.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2012/20120304-1/index.php

(sourced from the WIA Website)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Next Sunday the 18th ARNSW will be conducting a one day Foundation course. It will start at 8.30 am and conclude late afternoon. The assessments will be the following Sunday, 25th, during the bi-monthly Trash & Treasure.

The location is the VK2WI site at 63 Quarry Road, Dural. Candidates need to bring with them a passport sized head and shoulders photo of themselves and identification. Details to be found on the ARNSW web site under Training and Exams.

Contact via education@arnsw.org.au

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

EMDRC

You don't need to pack a lunch or cut the hump of a camel to get to VK3's best hamfest, just pull your diary out now and mark down:

10am Sunday March 25th, for the Eastern and Mountain District's Annual White Elephant Sale at Great Ryrie Primary School, Great Ryrie Street Heathmont.

Full details and table bookings at EMDRC.COM.AU

The Rosebud RadioFest will be held on Sunday 25th November 2012 (exactly 1 month before Christmas), commencing 0930 am at the Recreation Stadium, Eastbourne Primary School, Allambi Ave Rosebud, Victoria.

This is said to be a wonderful venue, & well-suited to staging a RadioFest.

There is plenty of parking close to the site, easy access and the event is fully catered. As well as excellent technical forums, & all the regular favourites plus a number of new and innovative features for SPARC's first ever RadioFest.

There is a commitment from the Rosebud Fire Brigade to display their brand new appliances including Forward Communications Vehicle along with their specialised comms gear.

SPARC is totally committed to putting on a first class show!

SPARC will also offer a free table to each club that wants to promote it's own activities at the Novemer 25th RadioFest.

Contact is 0407 844 063

(Mark, Assistant Secretary, Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club (SPARC)).

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

VK4WIT at the John Moyle Field Day 2012

theTARCinc will be active during this years John Moyle Field Day alongside the mighty Burdekin River at Bivouac Junction near Macrossan Friday March 16 to Sunday March 18.

Its easy to get to Bivouac Junction, just take to the Flinders Highway between Townsville and Charters Towers and take the right hand turnoff just before heading across the Burdekin River. Head upstream for about 2km and you are there!

The site is only a couple of km away from the VK4FNQ Majestic Towers and 20km away from Charters Towers for any scheduled shopping trips.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

REAST AGM

Sunday 11 March at 11am will be the REAST AGM for 2012. We look forward to as many members as possible coming along and even take the opportunity to pay your 2012 membership at the same time. This will be followed by a BBQ which is a BYO event.

All the details of the AGM can be found on the REAST website.

http://reast.asn.au/

(Tony VK7VKT, Secretary REAST)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, NZART, ARVictoria and from ARNEWSLINE in the USA

IRTS NEWS DESK

CQIR, St. Patrick's Day

The CQIR contest is fast approaching and we are pleased to report that radio news services and contest reflectors worldwide have been giving the event great publicity. Both QST and RadCom have carried feature pieces and we expect a really excellent turnout right around the globe.

The Society is appealing to all EI and GI stations to make a special effort to come on the bands, at least for a few hours over the 24 hours of the contest and hand out much needed points and multipliers. Many of the overseas Irish who will be participating will not be contesters but will be taking part to celebrate St Patrick's Day, so even if you are not a contester yourself, you will find many

operators looking to have a bit of a ragchew as well.

Paul EI5DI advises that his contest logger SD is now free and unrestricted in CQIR. Entrants should be aware that the Russian DX contest overlaps with CQIR, and Russian stations will send a 2-character district code instead of a serial. SD may be downloaded from ei5di.com, and users should experiment with test logs before the contest.

Full rules for the contest are available on the IRTS website. This contest is the international showpiece event for the Society's 80th celebrations and while we know most of our serious contesters will be making a big effort on the bands we would again ask all stations to join in the festivities over the St. Patrick's weekend.

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ARNEWSLINE.ORG

MV ISLAND DELETED FROM THE DXCC ENTITY LIST

As of February 17th, Malyj Vysotskij Island, better known as MV Island in ham radio circles has been deleted from the D-X-C-C. This after an announcement by the Finnish Ministry of Transportation and Communication that the Saimaa Canal Treaty between Finland and Russia has been finalized and that MV Island is no longer included in it.

For amateur radio this means that M V Island was deleted from the DXCC and added to the Deleted Entities List. Also that the entry level for DXCC Honor Roll number has dropped to 331.

LIGHTSQUARED ANNOUNCES LAYOFFS FOLLOWING FCC DECISION AGAINST ITS NETWORK

LightSquared Inc. the wireless company whose controversial plan to operate in spectrum adjacent to that used by the space-based G-P-S navigation system says that it plans to lay off nearly half of its employees to save money. In a press release, the company said it will cut 45 percent of its 330 employee workforce and called the move a necessary cost savings measure to ensure the long-term success of the company.

As previously reported, the Federal Communications Commission dealt the company a severe blow when it said it would revoke permission for LightSquared to move ahead with its wireless network. This, after tests found that it would interfere with Global Positioning Systems used by the military, the airlines and the general public.

NASA SHUTS DOWN LAST MAINFRAME

There was a time when IBM's mainframe computers
were the cutting-edge machines for scientific and
engineering calculations. Now, for NASA that's
all come to an end. Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

The day of the giant mainframe computer began in
the 1960s, when IBM's System 360 rewrote the
rules of computing and before humans walked on
the moon. When NASA acquired two of the then
super-speed System 360 Model 95 mainframes in
1968, IBM touted the machines' mathematical abilities.

But February marked the end of the era in NASA
computing. This as the space agency powered down
its last IBM Z9 mainframe that was located at Marshall Space Flight Center.

In the old days, mainframes were the size of
several large rooms. Today these units are only
the size of a refrigerator. And even though NASA
has shut down its last one, there is still a
requirement for mainframe capability in many other organizations.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

By comparison with days gone bye, today's fastest
mainframe supercomputers can perform 10.5 quadrillion calculations per second.

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RSGB

Senegal gets six metres

Following an application to the Regulatory Agency, Senegal has gained
access to the 6m band.

50 to 51MHz has been officially allocated to that nation's amateur
service on a Primary basis. This allocation becomes effective when the
new ITU Radio Regulations come into force. Any contacts made on 6m
before that date have to be considered as unauthorised.

International Museums Weekend

The International Museums Weekend special event will take place on the
weekends of 16th & 17th June and 23th & 24th June.

Radio amateurs are encouraged to participate in this event by setting
up stations in their local museums. Organiser Harry, M1BYT asks that
all those intending to take part in the event should register at
www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw.

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EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

(EPISODE 20111016 USED MARCH 11)

It's good to get inspiration and it arrives in the strangest ways at the most unexpected time. I've been pretty busy in my non-amateur radio activities over the past months. Not that you'd notice, a bit like a duck floating on a lake, the picture of serenity itself, furiously paddling under water.

I have a regular activity, the VK6 F-troop which I host on behalf of Foundation Licensees across VK6 every Saturday at 8am local time. It forces me to turn my radio on and gives me an opportunity to talk to other amateurs on at the very least a weekly basis.

One of the amateurs, Ronald VK6FRSK continues to throw new ideas and experiments into the air and every now and then one of them speaks to me at an unexpected level. Ronald reported listening and attempting to talk to overflying satellites and the International Space Station with a rubber-ducky antenna which gave me an unexpected thrill. I tuned to an ISS frequency and almost without effort managed to hear it overhead.

I didn't have more time
spare to do anything else, but just the thrill of hearing that gave me inspiration and it was just a little thing!

So, if you've done something, heard something, learnt something, tell another amateur about it, not to brag, though that's always fun, just to inspire the next experiment when it seems hard to see the wood for the trees.

So, whom have you inspired lately?

I'm Onno - VK6FLAB

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY March 17-18
WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

This is Trent VK4TS the WIA Director for Contests -

2012 sees a new RD contest manager after the retirement of Peter VK4OD -

The new manager of the Rememberance Day was recommended by Peter as someone who understood the value and history of the contest and that person is Alan VK4SN

Alan is a consistent competitor in most contents and brings with him a new way of looking at the RD Contest

With every change comes housekeeping and Alan has moved forward at a rapid pace with changes to the operating conditions in the RD - These have been put forward to the Contesting Committee and are now on display on the WIA website for final comment prior to publication in AR.

Some of the big changes Alan has proposed is the introduction of a Single Transmitter Multi operator class and the introduction of a combined teams section.

Please go over the new rules and send your feedback to Alan at his WIA Address

Yes overall the rules have been simplified and will make it much easier for the casual contester.

In the past the smaller clubs could not compete against the logistics of the larger clubs - Now they can compete against themselves - many affiliated clubs are under 20 members.

All Phone modes have been combined as has MF, HF and VHF. The idea behind this is to force band changes.

(sourced to a mailer from Alan Shannon VK4SN WIA RD Contest Manager)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

DX news from India. By Dot VK2DB

A group of Indian hams, lead by a YL, Sarla VU2-SWS will be operating from Bet Dwarka IOTA AS 175 from the 15th to the 23rd of March 2012.

This island has not been activated before.

Hopefully three stations will be set up by the 17th and a team of 6 operators will operate till the 23rd March on CW, SSB, RTTY.

The special call sign for this event is *AT2-DW. *

There will be an online log check facility and all logs will be uploaded onto the Logbook of the World.

Hopefully many YLs will work this call on all modes.

A free QSL card to all YL station contacts will be sent if they give the QSO details via email.

VU2-SWS will be the qsl manager.

More information about the website will be available soon.

This news is also on the ALARA website as Sarla is a member of ALARA.

The Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs (SONRA) will make history on April 25, 2012

April 25th each year marks the birthday of Guglielmo Marconi, who received the first wireless signal at Signal Hill, Newfoundland. This April 25th, SONRA will celebrate the event with making an Amateur Radio contact with Princess Elettra (Marconi) who will be in Bologna Italy to celebrate her father's birthday. It is planned to have the Canadian Heritage Minister, the NL Premier, the City of St. John's Mayor along with the NL Lieutenant Governor, exchange greetings with the Princess via Amateur Radio from VO1AA at Cabot Tower.

This is the first time that this event has been attempted, and it is anticipated that it will be a high level media exposure for Amateur Radio in Canada.

SONRA appreciates the wonderful relationship that it enjoys with Parks Canada, Signal Hill National Historic Site, and looks forward to many years of commemorating this important event.

73

Doug Mercer, VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer - Radio Amateurs of Canada Inc.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

The Sydney Morning Herald

Researchers say radio waves shaped like fusilli pasta could help unclog airwaves.

Radio waves that move like pasta spirals could help unclog the wireless world by boosting the power of radio communications, say Italian and Swedish researchers.

The new way to make radio signals more potent without boosting bandwidth is described in the Institute of Physics and German Physical Society's New Journal of Physics edition of March 2.

"In a three-dimensional perspective, this phase twist looks like a fusillli-pasta-shaped beam," lead study author Fabrizio Tamburini was quoted as telling the science website PhysOrg.

Tamburini told Nature magazine that his technique can boost radio power by up to nine times its current strength, and that the technology may be ready for market in the next two to five years.

Read more:

smh.com.au/technology/technology-news/pastainspired-radio-waves-could-unclog-the-wireless-world-20120305-1ubsy.html#ixzz1oCxZQwqj

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Greater Brisbane area to get a second Digital ATV repeater.

The South East Queensland ATV group is waiting delivery of components to upgrade the VK4RMG repeater to Digital.

Boards from SR Systems in Germany will be assembled and put on test by Martin VK4JVC in the coming months.

Dual transport streams will double the present repeater video output to provide for growing local interest.

Stay tuned for further updates.

Alan VK4NA

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

Hello, I'm John VK4BJT, from the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Society, and I'm here to announce our big DStar Demo and information "get-together" to be held on Saturday 24th March 2012 at 10am at the club rooms.

There will be an introduction to Dstar, and later, a hands-on session, where different equipment used to connect to the Dstar network, will be made available.

If you have any interest or just want to know more about digital radio, then come along, and enjoy the day with fellow radio amateurs. A BBQ will be available at approximately 12:30.

Anyone interested from SE Queensland and Northern NSW, and visitors to the Gold Coast, are most welcome.

As additional information, I can announce that two UHF DStar repeaters connected to the ircDDB network, are now operating on the Gold Coast. They are VK4RDK and VK4RDW. Any queries about this "get-together" please call VK4BJT on 07 55 30 55 57

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

YL International Meet 2012 Adelaide latest news

We now have 48 YLs with 28 others joining us for the YL International 2012 from the 3rd of May to the 9th of May this year in Adelaide, South Australia.

We have 20 DX YLs from Great Britain, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Korea, USA, and New Zealand in the group.

The Meet in Adelaide will see us touring around the area for 6 days. Some highlights are tours to Hahndorf, Clealand National Park, Port Adelaide and a three winery progressive lunch in the Barossa Valley. Then 26 of us go on the optional tour. We will be flying to Alice Springs, with a tour around Central Australia including Uluru and Kings Canyon then travelling on the Ghan from Alice Springs to Darwin.

Most events are into the final stage of planning. Late registrations are still available but the 15th of April is the absolute deadline for all registrations and payments. You can find all the latest information at www.ylinternational2012.com or just do a search on YL International and the search engines find the webpage where you will find costs and my contact details or you can email me at vk5tmc@internode.on.net

This has been Tina VK5TMC organiser of the YL International Meet 2012 in Adelaide, South Australia.

WARO turned 50

Saturday the 10th March, WARO celebrated their 50th anniversary.

On the 10th of March 1962 a group of YLs gathered together in Rotorua New Zealand at the Millenium Hotel and formed the Women's Amateur Radio Organization or WARO.

Yesterday on the 10th of March 2012, exactly 50 years to the day later, a large group of YLs gathered together at the same hotel to celebrate the anniversary of this wonderful organization. The group included representatives from ALARA including the President Tina VK5TMC, the senior Vice President - Jean VK3VIP, the Treasurer - Catherine VK4GH and honorary Life member Christine VK5CTY as well as Jenny VK5FJAY and most of their OMs.

A great day was had by all and we are off to the museum today to continue the friendship.

All members of ALARA and the WIA wish WARO another 50 years of radio contacts.

This has been Tina VK5TMC president of ALARA

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

ARISS CELEBRATES 700th ISS TO SCHOOLROOM CONTACTS

A milestone for manned ham radio operations from Earth orbit. ARISS Operation Team Mentor Charlie Sufana, AJ9N reports that the total number of Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS sponsored ISS-to-Earth school events has passed the 700 mark.

The 700th school contact was with the Academy at Shawnee City in Louisville, Kentucky. It took place via telebridge with ON4ISS on February 14. The special John Glenn event to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Perth Australia's, City of Lights on February 20th marked event number 701.

For those hams not aware. ARISS offers an opportunity for students in schoolrooms to experience the excitement of amateur radio by

talking directly with crewmembers on-board the
International Space Station. Further information
on the ARISS program is available at www.ariss.org

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Phil Longworth VK1PL reports,

With just on 3 weeks until the Canberra 2 Day Walk, we need to get a roster built for this years event. the walk weekend is Saturday 31st March / Sunday 1st April 2012. Check the website http://www.aussiewalk.com.au/ for info about the walk itself.

As I have stood down as the State Coordinator & Matt VK1MA is busy with another competing activity, we need somebody to stick their hand up and become the "Exercise Coordinator".

The Exercise coordinator is the person that puts together the roster, and makes sure everyone knows where they need to be and so on, it is different to the "WICEN Commander" who is in charge of the Net Control Station and the efficient running on the day (we'd love somebody to volunteer for that too !)

I am okay to assist and "Mentor" in these roles, so anyone who does stick their hand up will not be left in the lurch with no support !

Okay, as far as I am aware, the 2 Day Walk will need 9 field stations on the Saturday & 6 on the Sunday, with a couple of people to do HQ / NCS each day. This is a little uncertain as we haven't seen a route map and checkpoint list as yet but I have been told it will be similar in most respects as the 2009 event.

So, who is able to assist with this years event ?

Please send an email to wicen@crarc.ampr.org and say YES or NO, and if YES, then include your preferences / availability.

Thanks in advance,

Cheers,

Phil Longworth VK1PL,

WICEN Tas (Sth)

Of late there have been 13 people involved in providing radio communication operators for the Tasmania Fire Service. This included relaying and logging radio messages from the Meadowbank fire ground to the Incident Management Team based at the TFS Cambridge Training facility.

The fire started on the 25th Feb and there has been 24hr operations since then. Over 5000 hectares has been burnt out. See the TFS website site for more information.

http://www.fire.tas.gov.au/Show?pageId=colCurrentBushfires

All shifts have included at least one trained operator.

If there is sufficient demand, another PUAOPE002A - OPERATE COMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT course will be run following the end of the fire season.

The unit is one of those included in the WIA's Certificate 2 in Public Safety (SES Operations) PUA20500, a prerequisite to appointment as a WIA Emergency Communications Officer.

(73, Roger, VK7ARN (WIA ECO #2028))

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

MAR 18 VK7 Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

MAR 25 VK3 Eastern and Mountain District's White Elephant Sale at 10am.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Ham Nation 38: Dayton Hamvention 2012 Awards, and Fred Lloyd from QRZ.com

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337126-Ham-Nation-38-Dayton-Hamvention-2012-Awards-and-Fred-Lloyd-from-QRZ-com&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 38: 'Dayton Hamvention 2012 Awards' is available for download
and viewing at http://twit.tv/hn .

Hamvention 2012 plans with Michael Kalter, W8CI

The history of QRZ.com with Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ

George builds a Dremel tool table saw

More Audio Interfacing tips with Bob

and Ham Tails with Amanda.

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Harvey Chase, W4TG, SK at 96

Posted: 07 Mar 2012 08:51 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336978-Harvey-Chase-W4TG-SK-at-96&goto=newpost

It is with regret that I write of the death of Harvey, W4TG, who had been a
ham since 1931. He was an avid CW op--rumor has it that he didn't buy a mic
until sometime in the 80's. Of particular note--besides being a ham for
over 80 years--is that he was a survivor of the invasion of Pearl Harbor.

He will be missed by many--especially his wife, Bessie, and the ham radio
community of middle Georgia. Please see his page at qrz.com for more
information and http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mac...&pid=156341082 to
view his obituary and leave comments for his family.

73,

David+

N4VDL

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Help Required Re KY and IN tornados

Posted: 06 Mar 2012 07:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336794-Help-Required-Re-KY-and-IN-tornados&goto=newpo

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Amateur radio operators are still needed in Clark County, IN. Contact info is below if you can assist. Thanks!!

Just wanted to put the word out we are still continuing operations in Clark County. We are up to manning 10 posts throughout the county. We could use operators to man posts even if it is for a few hours, many of our team have put in many hours and relief is greatly appreciated. This is also great on the job training for ARES / RACES groups in the surrounding counties. Please contact me via phone 502-777-7304 or if you can reach the 146.94 (67hz tone) repeater, check in with Clark EMA W9JBQ.

Thanks to everyone that has helped us out so far, we couldn't have done it without you!

Jeffrey Brady N9WSV, Asst EC Clark County

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Disaster volunteers, please curb your enthusiasm! Says this Article

Posted: 05 Mar 2012 09:45 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336758-Disaster-volunteers-please-curb-your-enthusiasm!-Says-this-Article&goto=newpost

In the wake of every U.S. disaster there is an influx of people who want to help, and the situation in the Midwest and Southeast after last week's deadly tornadoes is no exception. But to many of the early arrivals who parachute in to help, disaster relief experts have a message: yes please, but not so fast.

For the first few days after Friday's twisters devastated large swathes of the Midwest and southeastern U.S., the Indiana Department of Homeland Security was strongly discouraging ad hoc volunteers as well as gawkers who flocked to the scene.

"We had people driving through looking immediately after it happened and it was a significant problem," said Denise Derrer, public information officer for the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. The dangers of downed power lines, debris and gas leaks meant that they needed to rely on trained emergency workers, and not worry about other people dropping in to help.

"If you have never run a chainsaw before, maybe now is not the time to learn," she said. "We are trying to get the word out."

"What people tend to do is they will go to where the actual tornado touchdown has been," said Joe Tolan, president of the United Way in Louisville, Kentucky which also covers the southern part of Indiana. "That is rarely the best thing to do in the first few days. It adds to the confusion and clutter."

That□s where the volunteer receiving centers like one that opened Monday morning in Jeffersonville, Indiana come in. The center, set up by the United Way and its partners is located in a vacant car dealership, hastily cleaned and adapted into a makeshift workspace over the weekend as a place to organize, train and deploy volunteer teams to do jobs after the disaster command center has determined what's needed.

Jeffersonville is about 15 miles down the freeway from devastated towns of Henryville and New Liberty, far enough to be out of the way of emergency teams still trying to restore services.

When the center's doors opened on Monday morning, more than 100 people were there, waiting to roll up their sleeves.

"We figured there was going to be a little organized bedlam this morning and we were right,□ said Tolan.

Complete Story here, http://usnews.msnbc.msn.com/_news/20...our-enthusiasm

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Tornado Outbreak March 2, 2012 Southern Indiana

Posted: 05 Mar 2012 06:42 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336741-Tornado-Outbreak-March-2-2012-Southern-Indiana&goto=newpost

419705_2460177804397_1850751887_1492531_1534211658_n.jpg

On Friday March 2nd a strong cold front approached the Southern Indiana area. This system unleashed several powerful tornadoes.

Clark County Indiana RACES activated a weather net during the storm event and was relaying weather reports to the National Weather Service in Louisville. Once the storm passed we started getting reports of massive damage in the Northern parts of Clark County Indiana in the the vicinity of Henryville and Marysville. Clark County Emergency Coordinator John Shean N9TV made contact with our Les Kavanaugh Director of Clark County Emergency Management. Around 4pm it was determined that the Clark County RACES team was needed to provide communications.

Core members of our RACES group raced to the scene to setup our command post and started dispatching amateurs to posts through the affected area and setup tactical frequencies and call signs. During this time the county 800 mhz system was overloaded and all cell phone networks were down in the area. Operations continued through the night directing search and rescue efforts and health and welfare operations.

The National Weather service survey teams have determined the affected areas were hit with EF-4 and EF-1 tornadoes.

http://www.crh.noaa.gov/lmk/?n=march...ornadooutbreak

The situation is starting to stabilize but as of this evening we are continuing to provide communications linking volunteers and supplies to the appropriate places. The group anticipates maintaining operations during the

period of 0800 - 1800 through the remainder of the week. We have been taking notes and documenting things that have gone right and areas we could address with training or equipment.

Jeffrey Brady

N9WSV

Asst EC Clark County Indiana

Attached Images

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World's Tallest Tower Completed...

Posted: 04 Mar 2012 02:01 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?336560-World-s-Tallest-Tower-Completed&goto=newpost

The tallest communications tower in the world (and second tallest man-made structure), located in Tokyo Japan, has been completed. Humm...a heavy-duty 6-30mHz log periodic would look nice up there!

http://news.cnet.com/8301-17938_105-...tallest-tower/

Dan...

K7DAN / VR2HF

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ANS-064 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-064

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Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

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AMSAT Theme at Dayton 2012: Running with Fox

The 2012 Dayton Hamvention will be held this year on 18 - 20 May 2012. As has been the case for the many years Hamvention will be at the Hara Arena Complex on the north side of Dayton. AMSAT will occupy the same booths (444-449) in Ball Arena, right across from the ARRL area and just inside the door from the Satellite Demonstration area.

The AMSAT theme for 2012 is "Running with Fox". We will have multiple exhibits of the new AMSAT satellite on display.

Visit AMSAT's Dayton Hamvention page for all details on activities:

http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...012/Dayton.php

Some of the activities will include:

+ Life size Fox models will be on display as well as diagrams of the modules inside the 10cm square satellite.

+ Operational prototype of ARISSat-1 on display.

+ AMSAT Thursday Night Get-together at the Tickets Pub & Eatery.

+ The sixth annual AMSAT/TAPR Banquet will be Friday night May 18 at the Kohler Banquet Center. The price for the Banquet is $30. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Follow the links on AMSAT's Dayton page.

+ The AMSAT Forum will be on Saturday May 19.

AMSAT has a limited block of rooms reserved at the Country Inn & Suites in Fairborn, OH. Please contact Martha at the AMSAT office for room price and availability during Hamvention. Priority for rooms will be given to those

volunteering to work in the AMSAT booth for multiple 2 hour shifts during Hamvention. The hotel web page is:

http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...2012/Hotel.php

The phone number for the AMSAT office is 301-589-6062. Other hotels in the immediate area of the Country inn & Suites include the Fairfield Inn, Ramada Inn, Hampton Inn, Fairborn Holiday Inn, Red Roof Inn and the Homewood Suites if additional accommodations are needed.

Further information on Hamvention 2012, including advance ticket sales and motel accommodations, can be found at http://www.hamvention.org.

Dick Daniels, W4PUJ Memorial Service Video Posted

Bob McGwier, N4HY has posted a video of the February 25 memorial service attended by family, friends, and colleagues for AMSAT's Dick Daniels, W4PUJ who passed away on February 14, 2012:

http://youtu.be/pGhn1eC52Wo

AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW read excerpts from the obituary written by Jan King, W3GEY/VK4GEY and included personal comments of his experience knowing Dick and working with him. The text of Dick's obituary is posted on the AMSAT web at: http://tinyurl.com/W4PUJ-Obituary.

Barry observed in his comments at the memorial service that NASA announced AMSAT Fox-1 satellite's acceptance into their ELaNa launch program on February 14, the day Dick passed away. Dick's legacy for amateur radio in space will continue.

Bob recalled, "Dick was always supportive and helpful to me and like all who knew him, understand the size of our loss. Dick was the epitome of solidarity, always honoring his obligations, with a big sense of responsibility with no obvious sense of entitlement to anyone's thanks. Dick was always seemingly asking himself 'what have I done for you

lately?' We've lost the irreplaceable."

Eric Rosenberg, W3DQ wrote of his memories of Dick, "He was a great guy, wonderful to work with, both professionally and within AMSAT. He was treasure trove of information and defined corporate knowledge and memory. His collection of Oscar 10 telemetry on those hard sectored disks was legendary around here, but not as much as his pool table, upon which many of the early satellites were put together."

Bob, N4HY took a collection of photographs with his phone camera which has added to his online album:

http://n4hy.smugmug.com/AMSAT/Dick-D...W4PUJ-Memorial

[ANS thanks Bob McGwier, N4HY, Eric Rosenberg, W3DQ, Jan King W3GEY/VK4GEY, and AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW for the above information]

COMPASS-1 Satellite End of Mission

The COMPASS-1 CubeSat was designed and built by students from the Aachen University of Applied Sciences in Aachen, Germany. It has been in orbit since its launch from India on April 28, 2008.

This week Mike Rupprecht, DK3WN reported on his DK3WN SatBlog that on Saturday, February 25 a single beacon was received. COMPASS-1 underwent a complete restart and the thresholds for heater and battery voltages were set to new levels. Battery temperatures tracked with the received telemetry data have shown some very cold spikes. This may be affecting operation of the satellite.

On March 3, Mike received the following message from Professor Dr. Bernd Dachwald, Faculty of Aerospace Engineering FH Aachen at the University of Applied Sciences:

Dear supporters and friends of our COMPASS-1 mission,

First, let me thank you very much for your support in trying to

save the life of our COMPASS-1 satellite during the last days,

but also during the last years of "routine" operations.

It seems that our mission now comes to an end. The projected life-

time of COMPASS-1 was half a year. The tiny guy has outperformed

this value by a factor of more than seven. April 28th would have

been its 4th birthday and if it was a human, it would now be

about 500 years old (Cubesat-years are short).

So, if you have more important things to do (and I guess so), we

cannot expect you to continue your efforts in saving its live.

With your support, you have made things possible that we would

never have been able to achieve with our own resources and I

appreciate your support very much.

So, COMPASS-1, rest in peace. (Nevertheless, if you still want

to try to awake it from the dead, feel free to do so.)

I hope that we will soon be able to build and launch COMPASS-2

and that you will be still available, all over the world, as a

ground station to command and fly our new bird. We will keep

you informed.

Cheers and thanks for all,

Bernd

Operators may periodically listen for the COMPASS-1 CW beacon on 437.275 MHz CW beacon every 3 minutes. Any reports are very appreciated.

The DK3WN SatBlog tracked monitoring and attempts at recovery over the past week:

+ On Sunday, February 26 no signals were heard from COMPASS-1

+ On Monday, February 27 no signals were heard; Several attempts to reset the satellite were unsuccessful.

+ On Tuesday, February 28 first report received after nothing heard for two days. Decoded telemetry showed the satellite had reset. Control stations reset voltage and heater thresholds to conserve power:

Power Level Critical Battery Capacity

Heater Active Battery Heater ON

Power Safe Counter 0 http://www.dk3wn.info/p/?p=26334)

Please continue to monitor 437.275 MHz for the COMPASS-1 CW beacon. Current status can be read on-line on the DK3WN SatBlog at: http://www.dk3wn.info

Mike has written telemetry decoders for several satellites, including COMPASS-1. These may be found at: http://www.dk3wn.info/software.shtml

[ANS thanks Mike Rupprecht, DK3WN for the above information]

VO-52 Not Heard

Reports have been posted that India's VO-52 HAMSAT satellite, launched on May 5, 2005 from India, has not been heard during expected passes since February 28.

Summaries from stations monitoring for VO-52 cam be viewed at: http://oscar.dcarr.org/

AMSAT INDIA Secretary Nitin, VU3TYG, posted on February 29 their last known status, "We are aware of the current situation. Myself and Mani, VU2WMY tried listening to the beacon and work thru the satellite during the 04:05 UTC pass over India but nothing was heard."

Nitin will post further updates when more news is available from ISRO. Amateur satellite operators are encouraged to post VO-52 status on http://oscar.dcarr.org/ Status Page.

[ANS thanks AMSAT INDIA Secretary Nitin, VU3TYG for the above information]

Satellite Special Events Announced

TP8 - France March 9-11

The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (CERAC - TP2CE) will be active as TP8CE between March 9-11 to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the European Youth Center. Operations planned on all HF bands and modes, and possibly the satellites. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at:

http://ewwa.free.fr

6H - Mexico April 13-18

Members of the Grupo DXXE will activate the special event callsign 6H6IARU between April 13-18 to celebrate the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), and to celebrate "World Amateur Radio Day" on April 18th.

This year's theme for the "World Amateur Radio Day" is Amateur Radio Satellites: "Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launch of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961, and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

Operations will be on all bands between 160-6 meters, as well as the amateur radio satellites from different Grid Locators throughout Mexico. QSOs with this station are valid for the IARU Region 2 award, the various FMRE awards and the DXXE award . QSL via N7RO or LoTW.

[ANS thanks Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1051 for the above information]

Coverage of Next Cubesats on AMSAT-UK Web

AMSAT-UK has compiled a series of very informative web page reports about upcoming Cubesat launches. Read up on the next flock of birds slated for launch. Follow the links to photos, satellite videos, and additional technical data on the AMSAT-UK web.

Antares Launch Slip Delays Dove-1 Satellite

http://www.uk.amsat.org/5061

The 3U amateur radio satellite Dove-1 (145.825 MHz AX.25 FM) was originally planned to launch on the Antares launcher on February 28 but reports indicate it may be Fall before it is launched.

Space.com reports that on February 21 Orbital Sciences Corporation announced a further slip and the launch of Antares could now be delayed until as late as September. Read the space.com report at: http://tinyurl.com/Antares-Delay (space.com)

The new Dove-1 (DO-17 was the original Dove satellite) will transmit on 145.825 MHz 1200 bps AFSK AX.25 FM downlink with telemetry data, including temp/power supply/current/RSSI/solar vector/acceleration, approximately every 30 seconds. The beacon can transmit at up to 1 watt and will use a quarter wave monopole antenna cut from a tape measure.

It also has a 2.4 GHz half-duplex, spread spectrum radio with patch antenna that will be used for main payload downlink and telecommand uplink. The data rate will be 115 kbps.

The planned orbit is 280 by 270 km at 51.6 deg inclination which will give Dove-1 a lifetime of about 2 weeks before re-entry.

Vietnam Student CubeSat F-1

http://www.uk.amsat.org/5025

Vietnamese students have produced a video about their amateur radio CubeSat F-1, callsign XV1VN. The F-1 is an educational CubeSat to be launched in the summer of 2012. It will carry a low resolution C328 camera with 640×480 resolution and two Yaesu VX-3R transceivers using 145.980 and 437.485 MHz.

+ VX-3R1

-Frequency: 437.485MHz, FM Narrow

-Power supply: directly from solar cells, only operates in sunlight

-Output power: max 0.3W, half-wave dipole antenna -Modulation scheme: Morse code beacon (10 chars) using PWM CW -Beacon interval: every 30 seconds (configurable)

+ VX-3R2

-Frequency: 145.980MHz , FM Narrow

-Power supply: rechargeable battery, operates in the dark by default but can be commanded to operate in sunlight as well -Output power: max 1.0W, half-wave dipole antenna -Modulation scheme: AFSK 1200bps, half duplex -Telemetry interval: one AX.25 packet every 30 seconds

TechEdSat to use 'SatPhone'

http://www.uk.amsat.org/5018

TechEdSat will be deployed from the International Space Station (ISS). It is a 1U CubeSat that will demonstrate Plug and Play power architecture and two way communication via the satellite phone/data networks Iridium and Orbcomm.

There will be a 437MHz beacon transmitting 1 watt to 1/4 wave monopole. Commanding is via the commercial networks and there is a 2 week watchdog timer to stop the beacon in the event of no commands being received.

TechEdSat will be launched along with Raiko, FITSat-1, We-Wish and F-1 to the ISS aboard HTV-3, currently planned to launch July 18, 2012. From there, it will be deployed into Low Earth Orbit using the JAXA J-SSOD deployer, from the Japanese Experiment Module (JEM also known as Kibo).

Wiki - TechEdSat http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/TechEdSat

Kibo Robot Arm http://kibo.jaxa.jp/en/about/kibo/rms/

FITSAT-1 CubeSat to use 5.8 GHz and Optical Comms

http://www.uk.amsat.org/2037

The Amateur Radio CubeSat FITSAT-1 plans to transmit 115.2 kbps digital data in the Amateur Satellite Service 5.8 GHz band and will also carry an Optical Communications experiment.

FITSAT-1 (aka NIWAKA) is a 1U CubeSat (10*10*10cm) that should be be deployed from the International Space Station by robot arm in late 2012. It will generate about 2W RF output using a 16W DC input.

The main mission will be to demonstrate high speed data transfer from a satellite, it can transmit a VGA-size (640×480 pixel) JPEG photograph in only 5 to 6 seconds.

The second mission is to determine if a satellite can be made to appear as an "artificial star" using high-output LEDs in flash mode. The light from this flash will be received by the ground station, which has a telescope with photomultiplier linked to a 5.8GHz parabola antenna. This is a basic experiment to investigate the possibility of optical communication with satellites.

A UHF AX25 1k2baud transceiver will be carried for telemetry and telecommand purposes and a UHF CW beacon will also be provided. It will be deployed along with the satellites RAIKO and WEWISH into a 350x350km 51.6deg inclination orbit.

The following downlink frequencies have been coordinated by the IARU Satellite Frequency Coordination Panel: CW 437.250 MHz, FM 437.445 MHz, High speed data 5840.00 MHz.

Euroluna OZ9LUNA CubeSat Launch Update

http://www.uk.amsat.org/5153

Euroluna are a Danish amateur team participating in the $30 million Google Lunar X PRIZE contest to be the first privately funded team to land and drive a rover on the Moon. The President of Euroluna, Palle Haastrup OZ1HIA gives an update on the Romit1 CubeSat and plans for Romit2 and Romit3.

Romit1 is a 2U CubeSat that is planned to launch on the Interorbital Systems Neptune 9 rocket. After deployment Romit-1 will stabilize itself prior starting its engine to power itself into a higher orbit. If everything goes well it should, after a year, be out in a 700 km orbit, having started in a 310 km orbit.

It is hoped that radio amateurs across the world will assist the team in retrieving the data sent down, for example, they can gather images from the six cameras. The downlink frequency is 437.505 MHz at 1200bps.

The group are currently looking for a launch opportunity for Romit2 as well as Romit3 that is planned to reach the Moon.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

April 18 World Amateur Radio Day 2012 - 50 Years in Space

Every year on April 18 the IARU celebrates World Amateur Radio Day to note its anniversary starting in 1925.

This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day 2012 is Amateur Radio Satellites: "Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launch of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961, and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

The AMSAT News Service would like to publicize the events your group is planning for April 18, 2012. Just send the information to JoAnne, K9JKM (k9jkm@amsat.org) and we'll get the news out.

[ANS thanks the IARU for the above information]

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Status Report

February 27, 2012

1. Upcoming School Contacts

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was successful for Parkside Elementary School in Atlanta, Georgia on Friday, March 2 at 16:42 UTC via station K6DUE in Greenbelt, Maryland. The ARISS contact is part of a comprehensive education plan which will pique students' interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). An article about this contact appears on the NASA Talk Web site where ideas are shared about the contact and lesson plans. Contact audio may be available on NASA-TV.

http://nasatalk.com/component/resour...ct-to-iss.html

The 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis in Katerini, Greece has been completed for their Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Friday, March 2 at 17:03 UTC. This activity has been integrated into the school curriculum covering astronomy and ham radio issues. Special attention has been given to the ISS regarding its role

in humanity and science, its orbit, and the everyday life of the astronaut. ISS courses were based on ESA's education tool, "ISS Education Kit."

2. ARISS Contact Featured at John Glenn Event

On Monday, February 20, an ARISS contact was held during the John Glenn Event at the State Records Office of Western Australia in Perth, via telebridge station AH6NM in Hawaii. The contact was held in celebration of the 50th anniversary of John Glenn's orbit of the Earth, when the population of Perth turned on its lights and Glenn observed the city was visible from space, leading to Perth's nickname, "City of Lights." The event opened with a pre-recorded video address given by Senator Glenn. Speeches from Australia's leading scientists were also given, followed by the ARISS contact with Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX on the ISS. The event was streamed live on the internet and was covered by television stations and ABC (Australian Broadcasting Corporation) Radio.

3. Italian Students Experience ARISS Contact

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between 1° Circolo Didattico Nicola Fornelli located in Bitonto, Italy and on-orbit astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT on Friday, February 24. The students had all their questions addressed concerning what it takes to become an astronaut and what it is like to live on the ISS. The contact highlighted their studies covering life in space, communications, space conquests and research, artificial satellites and the ISS. Approximately

300 people turned out for the event, including Italian Air Force officers and media representatives.

4. ARISS International Team Teleconference Held

The monthly ARISS International Team teleconference was held on Tuesday, February 21. Topics of discussion included a World Radiocommunication Conference 2012 (WRC-12) abstract concerning Nano and Pico satellites, the status of Ham TV and an update on the replacement VHF Ericsson. Minutes have been posted: http://ariss.rac.ca/arisstel2012-02-21.htm

5. Astronaut Training Status

Astronaut Alexander Gerst, who passed his amateur radio license exam on February 13, has been given the callsign KF5ONO. He is scheduled to fly with Expedition 40 in May 2014.

An introductory session is planned for Gregory Wiseman, KF5LKT (Expedition 40, May 2014) on Monday, February 27 and a preflight session is scheduled for Expedition 32 astronauts Sunita Williams, KD5PLB and Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI on Monday, March 5. Williams and Hoshide will fly later this year.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

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This week's ANS Editor,

Dee Interdonato, NB2F

nb2f at AMSAT dot org

301. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 9 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-09 17:51:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410ab4add5f04bad30ad4@google.com>
Source record: 3468
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Old Mulkey Meetinghouse Special Event in September

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 10:18 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337156-Old-Mulkey-Meetinghouse-Special-Event-in-September&goto=newpost

The Monroe County Amateur Radio Group (of Kentucky) will be having "our"
4th annual Old Mulkey Meetinghouse Special Event in September on the dates
of the 14th, 15th and 16th. We will be on or close to the frequencies:
3.880 USB, 7.235 LSB, 14.275 USB and if 10 meters is running 28.425 USB. A
QSL card and Certificate will be offered. We will be commemorating the
burial site of Hannah Boone Pennington who was the sister to the famous
pioneer Daniel Boone. Friday the 14th we will be having kids day which it
gives the local school children a chance to learn about the science and
math of amateur radio. And also we let them make contacts on the radio's
after thier lecture. Last year we had over 118 kids show up and this year
we are schedualed to have over 150! If you type in the call sign KD4QHG
here on qrz.com you will see pictures of some of the kids that came last
year. The girls were more intrested in the radios then the boys were! A
S.A.S.E number 10 envelope "Will be required" to receive our QSL &
Certificate! The number 10 envelope is 4 1/8" X 9 1/2". Please note!...If
you send the small envelope. you will only get the QSL. If you dont send a
S.A.S.E. You "WILL NOT" get either one! We had a problem last year with
people sending the small envelope and then wondering why they didnt get the
Certificate. Also we need to mention if you do not want the certificate
folded, please send a 9"X12" yellow envelope with at least $1.20 postage to
cover the cost. The address to send for the QSL & Certificate is: Old
Mulkey Meetinghouse State Park 38 Old Mulkey Park Rd. Tompkinsville,
Kentucky 42167, and please do not send your QSL to my address (KD4QHG). The
printing of the QSL's & Certificates are all done by donations from a local
group called "The friends of Old Mulkey". In other notes....I am posting
The Old Mulkey Meetinghouse Special Event now because of issues we are
experiencing with the ARRL. I contacted them last year on 15-Nov.-2011 to
apply for our 1X1 call sign and its still not posted on thier website under
Special Events after it was approved 3 days later. I called them a week
before posting this and asked why its not on there after this many months.
I talked to China Chaney and she said she couldnt figure out why its not in
there. She talked to her supervisor and told me they dont know how to get
it on thier website!. Well I asked her then how did you get all the others
on there! There was total silence for 20 seconds!. I told her to use the

computer to do this!. Like DUH! So...This is why we are posting this event now because they cant figure out how to put it on thier website like its supposed to be. We want everyone to know we are having this event again this year. And as of the day I wrote this, its still not on there. We at the Monroe County Amateur Radio Group hope to make contact with you and the school children are already excited about this also!....73s from all of us!....

302. eHam.net News for Friday 9 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-09 23:35:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407c11bf27404bad7d8fd@google.com>
Source record: 3469
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio is Attracting a New Generation of Enthusiasts:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 04:08 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27884

At an age when most kids are cruising the Internet, Adam Simeth is exploring ham radio. Simeth, 16, has been intrigued with the century-old technology since his dad introduced him to it a few years ago. "With the Internet, you find a chat room, you click on and you join," Adam said. "With ham radio, you have to tune around and find a frequency that people are talking on. You can actually go all around the world and hear yourself as an echo." Adam is one of the young people keeping the tradition of amateur radio alive in the digital age. In an era of instant messaging, tweeting and text messaging, loyal ham radio practitioners young and old feel a sense of responsibility - and enjoyment - to keep ham radio use alive and well. They like the technological challenge of mastering the medium, the thrill of communicating with other like-minded people, and the ability to help out in times of crisis. "You're talking to people as opposed to typing," said Charles Wackerman, president of the Moore County Amateur Radio Society. "You're talking to a specific person that you may or may not ever meet."

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Changes Needed to Antenna Rules, Say Rural Councilors:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 04:07 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27883

EMC News - A proposed policy outlining the city's involvement in situating cell-phone towers and antennas didn't pass muster at the city's agriculture and rural affairs committee last week. The city doesn't have any authority over where the towers will be placed - that's the responsibility of Industry Canada, a federal agency. But the city can put together a protocol for how it will advise Industry Canada on proposed towers and that policy is something two city committees considered last week. The planning committee found little fault with the strategy, which provides a mechanism for residents and the city to provide comments to Industry Canada. But later in the week, on March 1, rural councillors brought up issues that would affect their wards. The agriculture and rural affairs committee directed the city's top planner to go back and make some changes to the protocol that would make it easier for amateur radio enthusiasts to continue to put up small antennas to be used for HAM radios. The draft city

policy would have exempted antennas of less than 15 metres in height, as long as they are installed at the back of homes. But that leaves little room for the antennas many radio operators install in their homes, often in rural areas, said members of the Ottawa Amateur Radio Club. Glenn MacDonnell, president of the club, pointed out that the city's proposed policy would cover any antennas on the front or sides of buildings, including satellite dishes.

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ARNewsline Report 1804 -- Nov 9 2012:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 04:09 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27882

The following is a QST. The Dayton Hamvention announces its 2012 award winners, the Sun erupts with a massive CME hurled toward Earth, Brazil bans DXpedition operations from Saint Peter and Saint Paul, new rules now in effect for U-S hams on 60 meters, and a new movie about going into space from Richard Garriott, W5KWQ. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1804 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #10:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:41 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27881

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:41 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27880

This Week in Radiosport:

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Dayton Hamvention Honors W1ZR, with Technical Achievement Award:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:42 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27879

On March 6, the Dayton Hamvention Awards Committee announced the recipients of Hamvention's four annual awards. QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, was named the winner of the Technical Achievement Award.

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New 60 Meter Privileges Now In Effect:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:40 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27878

As of March 5, US amateurs have new privileges on the 60 meter band. In addition to an increase in effective radiated power from 50 to 100 W, hams can now transmit CW and PSK31 on the following channel-center frequencies:

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ARRL Seeks Comments on Proposed 9 cm Band Plan:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:40 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27877

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received.

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Active Sunspot Region 1429 Produces Sola

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:39 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27876

This week has been an active week for our Sun. An X-1.1 class solar flare erupted from the Sun on March 4 at 11:13 PM EST (0413 UTC March 5), sending an explosion of plasma and charged particles -- a coronal mass ejection (CME) -- hurtling through space. Forecasters at NOAA's Space Weather Prediction Center are saying that this CME should miss Earth, but it will hit Mercury and Venus.

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FCC Reduces Forfeiture for FL Man Accused of Using Unauthorized Equipment:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:38 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27875

In November 2011, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Michael Perry of Cross City, Florida. In a Forfeiture Order released on March 6, the FCC reduced the forfeiture that Perry must pay to $450.

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Nominations for ARRL Awards Now Open:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:36 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27874

Each year, the ARRL Board of Directors has the opportunity to select recipients for a number of awards in various categories that honor Amateur Radio operators. The nomination period is now open for the ARRL awards that are designed to recognize educational and technological pursuits in Amateur Radio, as well as an award to honor a young Amateur

Radio operator. ARRL members can nominate hams for the Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award, the Hiram Percy Maxim Award, the ARRL Microwave Development Award, the ARRL Technical Service Award, the ARRL Technical Innovation Award and the Knight Distinguished Service Award.

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Four Operations Approved for DXCC Credit:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:38 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27873

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that four operations -- the current VK0TH and AX/VK0TH (Macquarie Island) operation, the current T6BP (Afghanistan) operation, the 2011 6O0M (Somalia) operation and the December 2011-January 2012 9U3TMM (Burundi) operation -- have been approved for DXCC credit.

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Don't Be Fooled: Check Out the April Issue of QST:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:37 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27872

This April issue of QST remembers the wireless heroes of the RMS Titanic and the SS Carpathia 100 years ago, and also takes readers on a voyage to the South Orkney Islands for the VP8ORK DXpedition -- and more. So set aside a couple of hours, grab a beverage and get ready to have some radio fun with the April issue of QST.

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Enter the Seventh Annual ARRL Photo Contest!

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:37 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27871

Have you ever wanted to see a photo of yours in QST, the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Calendar or another ARRL publication? Well, here's your chance! If you're among the winners, not only will your photographic skill be propagated far and wide, but we're offering $100 as the First Prize.

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:36 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27870

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

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PSKMail HF SSB Email and Much More:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:35 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27868

PSKMail has been around for a while, and is now getting more organized and exciting. The UI software can be downloaded on Windows.

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Mohawks Seek Recognition for WWII Code Talkers:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:34 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27866

A Mohawk veterans group wants the federal government to recognize the contributions of "code talkers" during the D-Day invasion of Europe during World War Two. The Navajo "code talkers" were the largest group of Native Americans during the 1940's to use their language skills in the south Pacific against the Japanese.

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Ususual Suspects Remote Field Day Event:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 01:32 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27864

Imagine a place where crystal clear streams and towering oak & cedar trees meet the majesty of the hills. Add to the beauty, a place where visitors are always greeted by a friendly "howdy y'all" and you have found the wonder of the region. It's a little slice of heaven offering breath taking beauty and a relaxing atmosphere.

303. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 10 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-10 11:44:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba871ad3d4f04bae207a5@google.com>
Source record: 3470
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BuL3BvLfDrA/march_10.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This has been quite a week for dramatic solar activity. The average daily
sunspot number was up nearly 26 points to 69.4, and average daily solar
flux rose nearly 17 points to 121.9 for the period March 1-7

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Increasing Interest in UK 5 MHz Operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3LZ5t30dgdc/increasing_interest_in_uk_5_mhz_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has stated that there are currently 2,645 NoVs on issue for 5 MHz
experimental operation in the UK

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available
anywhere on the internet

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Another CME Heads for Earth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zeqopmBNu3Y/another_cme_heads_%20for_ea

rth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As Earth's magnetic field reverberates from the impact of one CME on March 8th, a second CME is on the way

304. SARL News in English 10/3/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-10 17:00:18 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <2B006342CCC44698B9DD3626E12B3614@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3471
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 11 MARCH 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

In the news today:

JOIN THE SARL INTECNET TONIGHT AT 19:30

THE SUN PLAYS ITS TRICKS

SADC VISITORS TO SOUTH Africa - NEW APPEAL TO ICASA

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

JOIN THE SARL INTECNET TONIGHT AT 19:30

The next interactive technical net or SARL Intecnet will be held tonight, Sunday evening 11 March, at 19:30 with Vincent Harrison, ZS6BTY, as guest speaker. The subject will be antennas. Vincent will look at HF antennas to work DX including dipoles, verticals and small beams. He will focus on the effect of the height above ground, radiation patterns and take off angles. He will also briefly touch on antennas for 80 and 160 metres. A PowerPoint presentation can be downloaded from www.sarl.org.za, click on Amateur Radio TODAY or click on the link at the end of this news item.

Clubs wishing to link their repeaters to the conference bridge should send details to artoday@sarl.org.za before noon today.

THE SUN PLAYS ITS TRICKS

During the past week there have been several solar flare warnings with severe solar storms impacting on the earth's magnetic field.

As Earth's magnetic field reverberates from the impact of one CME on March 8th, a second CME is on the way. Big sunspot AR 1 429 unleashed an M6-class solar flare Friday, and the eruption hurled a cloud of plasma almost directly toward Earth. Forecasters say the CME could reach our planet during the late hours of last night or the early hours of today. Strong geomagnetic storms are possible when the cloud arrives. Check http://spaceweather.com for more information and updates.

SADC VISITORS TO SOUTH AFRICA - NEW APPEAL TO ICASA

For the past two years the SARL has been petitioning ICASA to set up a SADC arrangement similar to the CEPT licensing agreement which allows visiting amateurs from CEPT countries to operate in South Africa for up to three months. The same applies to class-A South African licensed amateurs visiting countries that have joined the CEPT agreement. ICASA agreed to take the request to CRASA, the Communication Regulators' Association of Southern Africa, which it did in December. It is now on the agenda of the March meeting.

At the recent ICASA/SARL liaison meeting the SARL requested ICASA to consider making an interim arrangement and allow licensed visiting radio Amateurs from SADC to operate in South Africa. In support of this the SARL told the committee that several SADC countries already provide this privilege to South African amateurs and that it would be a good neighbourly gesture to do the same. The ICASA delegates agreed with the request and have undertaken to take it to the ICASA Council for signing off. The SARL has formalised the proposal in writing and is awaiting a written response from the ICASA Council.

OPERATE ON FREQUENCIES YOUR ARE LICENSED FOR

During a recent contest it came to light that class B licensed radio amateurs were operating on frequencies which they are not licensed for. ZU licensees may operate on the following bands 80 and 40 metres, on 10 metres 28 050 - 28 150 and 28 300 - 28 500 kHz, on the 2 metre and 70 cm bands.

SARL OFFICE CLOSED

The SARL office will be closed during March as Mariska Faasen is overseas on holiday visiting family. Between Henry Chamberlain and Francois Botha they will attend to emails and telephone messages. Please send emails to the usual address admin@sarl.org.za.

ARRL HANDBOOK 2012 AND ANTENNA BOOK AVAILABLE FROM SAARDT

The SA Amateur Radio Development Trust has the ARRL 2012 Handbook and the new Antenna book available in hardcover for sale. To make use of the mail order facility visit www.amateurradio.org.za. There are also a number of other interesting titles available.

ZS2X 50 MHz BEACON HEARD IN FLORIDA

Tim Joubert, ZS2X, who operates the 50 MHz beacon on his property has received the following e-mail.

"A few six metre ops in South Florida K4MM EL97 and KE4WBO EL96 heard a FSK beacon signal on 50,007 MHz this morning at 1300 UT on 23 February 2012, with antenna headings towards ZS. The FSK signal was severely distorted by propagation Doppler. Neither K4MM nor KE4WBO were able to identify the beacon message. I believe that the signal may have been ZS2X/b. We will continue monitoring 50,007 MHz for more signals. 73 Terry Posey K4RX EM70."

2012 LEAP YEAR CHALLENGE

Only two logs were received for the 2012 Leap Year Challenge. Andrew Thompson, V51YJ, was active on 12 meters operating CW and made 468 QSOs. Damien Lagan, ZR6DBL, operated HF and VHF and made 8 QSOs.

Andrew is the winner and his SARL membership fee for 2012/13 will be paid for him. Congratulations Andrew.

You will now have to wait until 29 February 2016 for the next Leap Year Challenge and getting that date in your logbook!

EAST RAND CONSTRUCTION DAY

All radio amateurs and electronics enthusiasts are cordially invited to the ERB Construction day on Wednesday 21 March. Human Rights day is in the middle of the week. Don't waste a good day's fun. Go to the construction day. Everyone is WELCOME.

Details available on the ERB Website www.zs6erb.co.za.

Send mail to zs6erb@vodamail.co.za to book.

Payments are due by 15 March 2012.

Bookings are essential.

Take your own tools and soldering iron.

See you at the build.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is once again on the rise with huge sunspot 1 429 producing X class flares. There is a high possibility of further C and X class flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 83, nearly double that of the previous week.

10 m is once again alive and well due to the higher solar activity. All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with even some 6 m openings possible.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

11 March - Intecnet at 19:30 CAT this evening. 17/18 March - SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital contest. 30 March - Last day to submit items on regulatory issues for discussion with ICASA to artoday@sarl.org.za. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Gustav, ZS6BWN.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Mt. Carmel High Schoolers Launch Helium Balloon:

Posted: 09 Mar 2012 04:21 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27886

Students at Mount Carmel High aim high, about 100,000 feet straight up. Recently, the Amateur Radio Club at the school launched a helium balloon into near-space. The balloon was tied to the student's spacecraft: a small styrofoam box equipped with sensors to track data as well as tiny video cameras and a still camera to record the journey. The students named the craft Icarus-1. Lindsay White, a sophomore, is the club's president. "What we did that was unique in this launch was we had pictures being sent down live to anyone who had the right decoding software. That really hasn't been tried on many other balloon launches," she said. It was a team effort to put the project together. Tim Kinsey, a senior, said they launched the balloon on a Saturday morning at the school. They used all the helium they had to give the nylon balloon its 8 pounds of lift. Club member Alex Kim worked on the antenna with two of the mentor engineers. 'We were trying to find the point where the feedback would be lowest. Once we found it, we soldered the wires together and it worked," he said.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #10 de K7RA:

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 04:00 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27885

This has been quite a week for dramatic solar activity. The average daily sunspot number was up nearly 26 points to 69.4, and average daily solar flux rose nearly 17 points to 121.9 for the period March 1-7.

306. candy message

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-11 03:38:00 UTC
From: meeradevi <meerad41@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <fff0cd99-b7f6-459f-a54d-e820bf367ca0@t6g2000pba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3473

http://123maza.com/46/flower816/

307. surprise 4 u

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-11 05:22:52 UTC
From: Shahul Hameed <shanhameed87@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <64208b42-d339-4927-8f91-a1ad1f6218a0@em9g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3474

http://123maza.com/46/flower816/

308. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 11 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-11 11:32:27 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410abbfed4704baf5f931@google.com>
Source record: 3475
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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RAX-2 Success - Anomaly Detected

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bQ-dO2uanIY/rax2_success_anomaly_detected.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Matt Bennett KF6RTB reports that the amateur radio CubeSat, Radio Auroral Explorer 2 (RAX-2), has detected the communication-disrupting anomaly in the upper atmosphere it was searching for

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The Hindu - Hams' Engineering Success

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/59zsoJAGj7I/hams_engineering_success.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

K. G. Girish Babu VU2KGB uses computerised antenna design for VHF and UHF wireless communication, and helped his son Rahul make an antenna, the largest in India, which can track amateur radio satellites

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AMSAT-UK Colloquium 2012 First Call for Speakers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/it71D8ibZUQ/amsat_uk_colloquium_2012_first_call_for_speakers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium will be held on September 15-16, 2012 in Guildford. The Colloquium attracts an international audience from across Europe as well as North America and the Middle East

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SADC visitors to South Africa - new appeal to ICASA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UR9DVFnSyWk/sadc_visitors_to_south_africa_new_appeal_to_icasa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

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Connecting Students with Space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j8yoZuFaPh4/connecting_students_with_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GENSO is a worldwide network of education and amateur radio ground stations
linked together via the internet

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Howard Long, G6LVB featured speaker at the 2012 AMSAT/TAPR Banquet

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0Xppm4p_ZWQ/howard_long_g6lvb.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT is pleased to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured
speaker for the evening event. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube
Dongle, the 64 - 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver

309. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 11th March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-11 20:00:16 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120311200004.11E4333C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3476
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 11th March 2012

CQIR Contest

The CQIR contest takes place next weekend - from mid-day on Saturday 17th March to mid-day the following day. This contest is the international showpiece event for the Society's 80th celebrations and while we know most of our serious contesters will be making a big effort on the bands we would ask all stations to join in the festivities over the St. Patrick's weekend. The multipliers are the 32 EI and GI counties, so those in the "rarer" counties will be very much in demand!

Paul EI5DI advises that his contest logger SD is free and unrestricted for the CQIR contest. SD may be downloaded from ei5di.com, and users should experiment with test logs before the contest.

Entrants should be aware that the Russian DX contest overlaps with CQIR, and Russian stations will send a 2-character district code instead of a serial. Full rules for the contest are available on the IRTS website.

Galway Radio Experimenters Club

Galway Radio Experimenters Club will be hosting two very interesting presentations at their next club meeting on Monday 12th March at 8.00 p.m. in The Anno Santo Hotel, Threadneedle Road, Galway. Larry EI9CN will talk about Software Defined Radio, demonstrating the Flex 5000 and linking it with third-party software such as CW Skimmer and Logger32, while Tom EI3ER will talk about the 100th anniversary of the Titanic disaster and the radio communications techniques used at that time.

Any amateurs, SWLs or other interested people are invited to come along on the night. This would be particularly interesting for any amateur thinking of going down the Software Defined Radio route.

South Dublin Radio Club

The Annual General Meeting of the club will take place Tuesday 13th March. All members are requested to attend.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club is holding a meeting on Wed 28th March at 20:30 in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon.

It is planned to give practical demonstrations on computerised logging, dx cluster and Logbook of the World.

All members are requested to attend and visitors are welcome. For more info see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com

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North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive. As you may know, Marconi Day is on 21st April this year and we will be operating over the full 24 hour period on this day in order that collectors of the Marconi Award will have the opportunity to add us to their list. Mizen Head is a beautiful location and well worth a visit.

EI8GQB activity : March 18th-26th

Oliver/ON4EI will again be QRV from Ireland near Fethard (IO62EL) on top of Benneshill (170m ASL) with his Irish callsign EI8GQB. He will enter the CQ WPX SSB CONTEST on March 24th/25th.

During the week before the contest Oliver will set up 5 antennas to support SO2R operation. Reference frequency is 7.100 MHz +/- QRM.

Olivier will hold a daily blog on www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB and post regularly video on YouTube ON4EI's channel www.youtube.com/user/ON4EI

If you want to visit him during the week, please send a mail to ON4EI/at/VANDENBALCK/dot/EU

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

The event this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society. The annual dinner takes place on Saturday April 21st, with the Rally and AGM on the following day. Dinner tickets are just 32, a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. As dinner tickets and rooms are distributed on a first come first served basis, you are encouraged and advised to act now to avoid disappointment. The annual rally, on Sunday April 22nd, will also have its favourites and many new and novel exhibitors.

This is a must attend event in the 80th Anniversary year of your national society. Full details of this event are on the IRTS web site www.irts.ie

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. The Fairways Hotel can be contacted on 042 9321500 or www.fairways.ie

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VHF / UHF Squares Table

VHF Manager, Trevor EI2GLB is aiming to get the 2011 Squares Table up to date, and he is asking all EIs that have been active on the VHF and higher bands in 2011 to submit their totals to him.

Contacts can be on any band 6m and higher, any mode excluding repeaters. Please send your totals to Trevor, EI2GLB at hotmail.com

He just needs to know the number of squares per band. If your electronic log won't output that data he can take a log extract and work it out for you.

DXCC Entities

We have lost one DXCC entity! Malyj Vysotskij Island -often known as "MV Island" (prefix R1M) which is part of Russia, was leased to Finland from the 1960s until very recently and, under the DXCC rules, was considered a separate DXCC entity. Since February this year, the island is no longer leased to Finland and is therefore a "Deleted Entity" in the DXCC programme. This reduces the number of current DXCC entities to 340.

See www.irts.ie/dxcc for an updated list of EI call signs in the DXCC listings. Congratulations to two new entrants to the EI DXCC list - Seamus EI9CF and Claus EI7JZ. Claus is no stranger to the DXCC programme, as he is on the Honor Roll under his Austrian call sign OE6CLD.

DX News

Barney ZS6TQ will be working in the Democratic Republic of the Congo from 14 March - 8 April. He will operate as 9Q6/ZS4U outside working hours. He will be located in Grid Square KI16 and his QSL Manager is K3IRV.

Retu OH4MDY will be back in Vietnam from 17 March - 16 April. As before he will sign XV2RZ. QSLs go via his home call.

The island of Svalbard will be activated by LA2XNA and LA8HGA. They will use the calls JW2XNA and JW8HGA respectively from 16-20 March.

For the island chasers a brand new one in the form of AT2DW will be on the bands from 16 - 23 March. This expedition station will be active from the Indian island of Bet Shankhodar. The IOTA reference number is AS-175.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-March, through Sunday, 11th-March there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C0, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5X, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as 2M1EUB for 7 days beginning March 24th. Activity will be from the eastern side of Scotland in the Cairngorms National Park (WFF GMFF-001). Activity

will be on 160m, 80m, and the satellites (mostly AO-7 B/A mode), as well as 2m SSB. Check out QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

3C0, ANNOBON ISLAND (Update). By the time you read this, operators Elmo/EA5BYP and Javier/EA5KM should be going QRT as 3C0E from Annobon Island (AF-039; Pagalu). QSL 3C0E (as well as 3C6A) via EA5BYP: Elmo Bernab&#65533; Coll, P.O.Box 3097, 03080 Alicante, Spain. For more details and updates, watch the Web page at: http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/index.php

5Z, KENYA. Sig, NV7E/ZS6SIG, who has relocated from Pretoria, South Africa, to Nairobi, Kenya, is signing 5Z4EE for about the next three years. Sig announced this past week that he will once again be active in the following contests this year:
CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a SOABHP entry
CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a SOABHP entry
CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a SOABHP entry
Activity (as usual) outside of the contests will be on all bands 160-10 meters. QSL via NV7E or at the address shown for 5Z4EE on QRZ.com.

7P, LESOTHO. Peter, EI7CC, will once again be active as 7P8PB from Lesotho between March 15th and April 3rd. Activity will be limited because he will be on a family holiday and will operate when circumstances permit. QSL via EI7CC, by the Bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW immediately upon his return to Ireland. If possible, Peter may try to upload them while in Lesotho.

9M0, SPRATLY (Update). Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) and the 9M4SDX Team will be active as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Layang Island (Swallow Reefs - AS-051) near Sabah, East Malaysia, between April 10-24th. The current team consists of Tex-san/9M2TO (Project Coordinator), Neoh/9M2CLN (Team Leader Malaysia), Tack-san/JE1CKA (Team Leader Japan), Hajime/7K4QOK, Takuto/9M2/JE1SCJ, David/9M2PX, Yasuma/9M8YY, Nigel/G3TXF, Joe/JA1LZR, Miyama/JE1KUC, Naoyuki/JK1FNL, Hiroyuki/JP1TRJ and Yutaka/JQ2GYU. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will try to have as many RTTY QSOs with NA/SA as much as possible. The team will have 4 stations using Spider Beams and a Layang Special. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1811, 3511, 7011, 10121, 14011, 18071, 21011, 24891 and 28011 kHz
SSB - 3791, 7081, 14160, 18130, 21275, 24940 and 28405 kHz
RTTY - 3521, 7031, 10141, 14081, 18101, 21081, 24921 and 28081 kHz
6m - 50101/CW and 50110/SSB
Special Notes:
1. All frequencies are 9M0L transmitting frequency. They will announce listening Frequency when QRV.
2. 80m RTTY: They will listen 3590 and up for EU.
3. 40m SSB: They will announce listen up 7100 for US.

QSL direct to 9M2TO: 9M0L TEAM PENANG, PO BOX 125 GPO 10710, Penang Island, MALAYSIA or by the Bureau to Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter's Society (MARTS). A Web page is up an running at: http://9m0l.legendchew.com

9Q, DEM. REP. OF CONGO. Sergiy, UV5EVJ (ex-5X1VJ), is currently active from Lubumbashi using the Amateur Radio Association of the Democratic Republic of Congo's (ARAC) club callsign as 9Q0HQ/7. Activity has been on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. He is expected to be there through the end of March. Sergey is part of the UN mission MONUSCO. QSL via UV5EVJ.

CN, MOROCCO. Florent, F4CYZ, (MDXC Member #141) is now active as CN2YZ from Morocco until the end of year. His activity from this African country will be from Tangier and especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site (with a log-check included) at: http://www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

CQ3/CT3, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Walter/DJ6QT, Uwe/DL8OBF, Alex/RA1AGL, YL Elena/RC5A, Alex/RM2M, Paul/RN3A, Sergey/UA1ANA and Gennady/UA9MA will be active as CQ3L during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Look for operators to be active before the contest between March 11-26th, as CT3/homecall. QSL via Bureau. Visit the CR3L Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014), Web page at: http://www.cq3l.de

D6, COMOROS. A D64K DXpedition is in the works and details will be forthcoming. QSL via IZ7KHR. Watch the following for updates:
http://www.d64k.com
https://twitter.com/#!/D64K

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME (DST). Did you remember to move your clock ahead one hour for Daylight Saving Time (DST)?

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
6O0M - Somalia; 2011 Operation
9U3TMM - Burundi; Reported as December 2011 and January 2012
AX/VK0TH - (as well as VK0TH) Macquarie Island; Current operation
T6BP - Afghanistan; Current operation commenting in 2011

If you had this operation rejected in a recent application, send a note to bmoore@arrl.org to have your record updated. Note, due to extremely heavy E-mail, DXCC may not respond to your message. Once updated, this will be reflected in your LoTW account and/or in the live, daily DXCC standings on the website. <www.arrl.org/dxcc>

EE8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will be active as EE8X from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-band entry. QSL via W2GR. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS (Update). Jaime, WP3A, will be active as EF8C from Tenerife Island (AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via EB7DX (not NP3O as first announced). Look for more info on: http://kp2b.net

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Michael, DF8AN, will be active as FR/DF8AN from Reunion Island (AF-016) between September 2-10th. Activity will be

mainly on CW on all bands including 6 meters with just 100 watts into a long wire. QSL via DF8AN, direct or by the Bureau.

FW, WALLIS AND FUTUNA ISLANDs. Patrice, F1GHY, is now currently active as as FW/F1GHY from Wallis Island (OC-054), but the length of his stay is unknown at this time. Activity has been on 20 meters SSB using 100 watts into a long wire antenna. QSL via his home callsign.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. Looks like Sigi, DK9FN, will once again return to Temotu Province for a fourth time and be active as H40FN between (approx.) December 22nd and January 7th (2013). QSL H40FN via HA8DD. More details will be forthcoming.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Luis, HI8LAM, from Santo Domingo will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via direct to his home callsign.

HU0, EL SALVADOR. Members of the Club de Radio Aficionados de El Salvador will be active as HU0A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Sinlge entry. Operators mentioned are Mario/YS1GMV, Mario/YS1MAE, Jose/YS1MS, Roberto/YS1RS, Florencio/YS1ZC, Federico/YS1FEA and Francisco/YS1FAF. QSL via YS1GMV.

INTERNATIONAL GOOD WILL. Yuri, UT1FG, who has been active as UT1FG/MM and sailing from port to port operating on the satellites and 6 meters to activate wet Grid Squares, has left from a port in Nicaragua a few days ago. However, Yuri's 12 volt power supply that runs his IC-706 has failed and could not be fixed. John, K8YSE, informs OPDX, "This prompted an effort to find a way to replace that power supply and insure continued operations as he sails up to Montreal, Canada. The solution was eventually found and thanks to the efforts of Captain Manolis Joannou, HP1CQ, Yuri continues to operate. An abbreviated version of the story of 'International Good Will' and extreme determination to succeed is now posted on my Web site. This hobby is more than just operating and making contacts." For the rest of the story, please visit John's Web page at: http://www.papays.com/sat [Click on the UT1FG/MM Panama link]

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-061/
AS-092. "DX-World.net" is reporting: "Tentative plans by Russian Robinson Club members to activate Big Diomede (Ratmanova - AS-061) and one of the islands in the Bering Sea Coast South group (AS-092) are underway. Activity is scheduled for the end of July/early August 2012. Big Diomede Island was last activated in early 1990's."

AS-175. (Update/Change) NEW IOTA! Look for an Indian team to be active using the callsign AT2DW (not ATBDW as announced) from Bet Dwarka Island (Bet Shankhodar) between March 16-23rd. This island is in the Gujerat State West IOTA Group and has never been activated before. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The team plans to be active

with 2 stations with the possibility of a 3rd station, and will use vertical antennas. Operators mentioned are YL Sarla/ VU2SWS (Group Leader), Mickey/VU2IZO, Nandu/VU2NKS, Deepak/ VU2CDP, Basappa/VU2NXM, Laxman/VU2LX and Ajoy/VU2JHM. QSL via VU2SWS, direct or by the Bureau. There will be an OQRS available on the ClubLog. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within 1 month. A Web page is now online with more details and an online log at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/at2dw

EU-042. A German team of operators will be active as DM50IOTA from Hallig Langeness between March 16-18th. Activity will be on CW, SSB and PSK, and on all HF bands and on VHF. The "Hallig Langeness" is situated in the "Wadden Sea" (North Sea) and counts also for WFF DLFF-013 and for the German Islands Award N-19. QSL preferred by the Bureau. ADDED NOTE: DM50IOTA will activate all German IOTA groups during the IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon (2012/2013). If you have worked DM50IOTA from all German IOTAs you can apply by sending an E-mail for a special award (pdf-style, will be sent by E-mail free of charge in 2013).

EU-054. Operators Raffaello/IT9ATF, Renato/IT9NPR, Pippo/IT9PPG, and Pino/IT9WDC will be active as IF9A from Favignana Island (IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA LH-1545) for the CQWW WPX SSB Contest as (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on all bands and modes outside of the contest. QSL via IT9ATF, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-057. By the time you read this, Michael, DF8AN, will be active as HR9/DF8AN from two islands in the Bahia Islands IOTA Group between now and March 26th. He plans to activate Roatan Island and Utila Island. Activity will be mainly on CW on all bands including 6 meters with just 100 watts into a long wire. QSL via DF8AN, direct or by the Bureau.

OC-066. Hiro, JI1JKW, will be active as FO/JI1JKW from Rangiroa Island, French Polynesia, between March 18-22nd. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

OC-185. Craig, VK8AS, will be active as VK8BI from Bremer Island between April 18-23rd. Activity will be on 20/17/15/12/10 meters running 400 watts into a Spiderbeam yagi. Operation will be SSB only. However, he does have the capability of running PSK31/RTTY at rare moments. Craig states, "OC-185 was last activated in 2004 for two days and prior to that in 1999 and is only claimed by 20% of IOTA program participants. A strong focus will be on North America and Europe. Full operation details are available at QRZ.com which gives details of the blog site that outlines best operating times to different regions of the world."

OC-199. It was announced earlier in the week that Wally, VK6YS, would activate West Lewis Island between March 8-10th. However, this operation was postponed. No other details were provided.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Harry, JG7PSJ, will be active again as JD1BMH from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between April 22nd and May 4th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to JD1BMH or direct to JG7PSJ. Visit his Web page for more details at: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

JD1, OGASAWARA. Makoto, JI5RPT, will once again be active as JD1BLY from Chichijima Island (AS-031), Ogasawara, between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, including the satellites, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes (NO 6m EME). QSL via his home callsign JI5RPT. His log search will be available on his Web site at:
http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
He will also use Twitter to inform his real-time activities at:
http://twitter.com/jd1bly

JD1, OGASAWARA. Operators JD1BLC and JD1YBT will be active from Ogasawara between April 29th and May 5th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL both callsigns via JP1IOF.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 12-18th)....
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Mar/13th AN Mar/16th AN Mar/18th HN
Mar/14th AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. Coin, WA2YUN, is currently active as KH9/WA2YUN from Wake Island (OC-053) and will be active another year or more. Activity is on the HF bands including 160/80m. He has also been active on 6 meters. QSL via K2PF.

LY22, LITHUANIA (Attn. Prefix Hunters!). Jonas, LY5A, will be on the air with the new all time prefix using the callsign LY22A between March 11th and April 11th. Activity is to celebrate the 22nd anniversary of "The Act of the Re-Establishment of the State of Lithuania". QSL via LY5A. Contacts are good for the LY WPX Award and Baltic States WPX Award.

PACIFIC TOUR (Preparing for Conway Reef). In preparation of the upcoming DXpedition to Conway Reef (3D2/C) in September, Hrane, YT1AD, will be in the Pacific during April, and plans to activate Rotuma, Fiji, Samoa and

American Samoa. The following are the tentative dates:
April 7-9th - Callsign KH8/N9YU from Pago Pago, American Samoa,
and from AH8LG QTH
April 9-11th - Callsign 5W7A from Apia, Samoa
April 13-20th - Callsign 3D2R from Rotuma *

* Hrane's last destination on his trip is to visit the Island of Rotuma
with Tevita Rokobaro, 3D2TR, from the Fiji Ministry of Tourism and
Communications. During this visit they will visit the students at the
Rotuma High School (at the 3D2RI radio club station) and help install
the new donations (antenna rotor donated by K6MKF and an HF LPA 500W,
donated by YT1AD).

PY0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (DXCC Entity To Become Rarer!).
Already ranked 16th, on the "DX Magazine's Most Needed Countries World-
Wide List", it was announced this past week that amateur radio DXpedition
is now prohibited from the archipelago of Saint Peter and Saint Paul
Rocks (PY0S). The prohibition is published on the Web site of SERCIM
<http://www.mar.mil.br/secirm/proarq.htm> - Secretariat of the Inter-
ministerial Commission for Sea Resources that coordinates and controls
the "Program Archipelago of Saint Peter and Saint Paul". Members of the
Federal LABRE DX and some groups in Brazil have shown a true outrage on
Social Networks on the Internet. There is already a great mobilization on
the part of Amateur Radio with the Brazilian Federal Senators and Repre-
sentatives to try to reverse the decision to ban DXpedition to PY0S. The
biggest concern among hams is that this decision could open a precedent
for restrictions on other entities in Brazil as in other parts of the
world. For more details, visit the following Web page:
http://www.teresinadxgroup.com/?pG5

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 4th and 11th)

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3Z10ITA via SQ9NIS GI5K via G3SWH ON35WR via ON7WR
4J0LH via 4J5T HB0/HB9GR via HB9GR P4/WA2NHA via WA2NHA
4M5W via IT9DAA (d) II0IDR via IZ0FVD PI4MRC via PF9A
4S7BRG via LZ3HI II0IGU via IZ0EGC PR2X via PY2ADR
5B8AD via W3HNK II3ICZ via IW3IE PT5T via K3IRV
6Y1V via OH3RB II5IDK via IQ5LI SN9Y via SP9UOP
8P5A via NN1N II9IGA via IT9YEM SO4M via SP4MPG
9A5PC via NF4A II9P via IT9CHU T6JP via OZ2JBC
9A55AX via 9A4J IR8R via IK8HCG TA1C/2 via TA1C
9A200Z via 9A0Z JH1TEB/BY1RX via JH1TEB TI5/AJ3G via AJ3G
9M2IDJ via JA6IDJ K6AAX/VY2 via K6AAX TI5/K1DG via K1DG
CT7/OK4PA via OK4PA KH6/VE7AHA via VE7AHA TI5/KG5VK via KG5VK
CT9/DJ0IF via DJ0IF KH7X via K2PF TI5/WA4PGM via WA4PGM
CW5W via CX6VM KP2M via AI4U TI5/WK4Y via WK4Y
DL/SP5ES via SP5ES LP1H via EA5KB TI8M via TI2KAC
DP775BLN via DL7AUB LR9D via LU9ESD TO5A via F5VHJ

DQ125HSB via DF7AA LS1D via LW9EOC TP8CE via F5LGF
E7DX via E77E LT1F via AC7DX TT8ES via IK3GES
EA5/DO1PGA via DO1PGA LZ0M via LZ2SX (L) U4MIR via RN3DK
EA5/G3XGS via G3XGS LZ134GO via LZ1KZA V21ZG via DL7AFS
EA5/LZ2MAM via LZ1PM N6WIN/VP9 via N6WIN V26M via W3HNK
EA5/YO4RFV via YO4RFV NG7M/HI3 via NG7M V73/KJ6BBP via KJ6BBP
(d)
EE3J via EA3JW NG7M/HI9 via NG7M VP9I via N1HRA
EE7E via EA7RU NH0S/KH2 via JF2SKV XP1A via OZ1ACB
EX8VZ via RW6HS (d) NP2/AA4VK via AA4VK XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
FG4NN via NI5DX OF150M via OH8DR YP3A via YO3ND
FG4NO via F4AVX OK5Z via OK2ZI Z21DKJ via EA4DKJ
ZD7XF via G3TXF
(d) - Direct Only
(L) - LoTW Only

NEW QSL ROUTE. Tim, NL8F, informs OPDX that Ted, K8NA, will be his QSL Manager for his upcoming CE0Y/NL8F Easter Island operation this month. He is still waiting for confirmation of a possible CE0Y callsign.

PR2I LOGS. QSL Manager Fred, IK7JWX, reports that the logs for the recent IOTA operations from SA-024 and SA-071 are online at:
http://www.i8lwl.it
He will accept the QSOs data (with the IOTA refer.) via E-mail at <ik7jwx2003@yahoo.it> and will send the QSLs via the Bureau. For QSLs via direct, please send a SASE to his address on QRZ.com.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5P12EU, AL7L, C6ANM, E76C, EF8R, EP3PK, FM/R5GA, FP/M0VFC, EI80IRTS, HL5KY, MI0M, MI0SAI, PJ2T, SV8IIR, T96C, TG7/NC2N, US6EX, V25WY, YU1FW, ZD7XF, ZD8O and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 4O3A, 9X0PY, CO8LY, E51CG, FP/W6HGF, KG4AS, KP2M, MU/PA9M, PJ7I, ST2AR, T32C, V31RI, V63KZ, ZP5DBC and ZY1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: OA1F and OJ0X

S7, SEYCHELLES (Update/Reminder). Just a reminder that operators Tom/DL5NEN and XYL Claudia/DO5NEN will be active as S79NEN from Mahe (AF-024) and La Digue Islands (AF-024) between March 12-28th. They are calling this a "Honeymoon Dxpedition". Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Also, look for activity to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) and the BARTG HF RTTY Contest (March 17-19th). QSL via DO5NEN. PLEASE NOTE: All donations will be transfered one by one to:
http://www.unicef.org
They state, "Please help us. DX for kids." There is a donate button on their QRZ.com page, as well as a ClubLog log search.

SILENT KEY. The DX community has lost a legendary Pacific DXer and DXpeditioner on March 6th. Well-known DXer Ron Wright, ZL1AMO, became a "Silent Key" (SK) at the age of 75. Word went out last week that Ron was admitted to the hospital because of a collapsed lung but recovered in stable condition and remained in the hospital until his passing.

Many DXers may remember Ron from all of his DXpeditions in the Pacific; some he visited more than once. Your editor and the members of NODXA will remember Ron when he attended a club meeting in the 80's and showed the club a slide show on his DXpedition to Kermadec Island. NODXA has also presented Ron with a "Lifetime Achievement". OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of ZL1AMO. His CW signal will be missed by many.
Read Ron Wright's obituary from the New Zealand Herald and sign the guest book at:
http://notices.nzherald.co.nz/obituaries/nzherald-nz/obituary.aspx?n&#65533;nal
d-walter-wright&pid6341245

SV5, DODECANESE. Jeff, N6GQ, will be active as SV5/N6GQ from the beach during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/QRP entry. He will use a wire antenna. QSL via N6GQ.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI (Press Release #1). The following was received by Alex, PY2WAS, dated March 6th [edited]: "We proudly announce a DXpedition to Tarawa Island (OC-017), Western Kiribati, between October 16-25th, 2012, when two callsigns will be used: T30PY for operations between 160-10m, and T30SIX to be used on 6m. It is expected to have 3 stations running simultaneously on HF and one on six meters. The following modes will be used: SSB, CW and RTTY. EME on six meters may be possible, but not yet confirmed. The team, at this time, is formed by the following Brazilian ham ops: Orlando/PT2OP, Rick/PY2PT, Fred/PY2XB, Alex/PY2WAS, Fernando/ PY4BZ, Jim/PY7XC, Ciro/PY7ZY, Miguel/PY3MM and Marcelo/PY1KN.
The DXpedition Web site will be launched in a couple of days at <http://www.mcdx.org/t30py>, to be supported by the Mediterraneo DX Club. Considering the high cost of logistics, donations are welcome to help the team to support all related costs. There will be a donation button on the site, for which the donor may click and use Paypal to accomplish it..... 73, T30PY/T30SIX Team"

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power/Sinlge-Band (10m - Possibly 20m if 10m conditions are not good) entry. He will be using 100 watts into a OCF dipole at 30 feet. QSL via LoTW or to K9GY (see QRZ.com) direct or by the Bureau.

TK12, CORSICA (IOTA Op). Laurent, F8BBL, will active as TK12IOTA from Corsica (EU-014) and two of its IOTAs between July 7-21st. Activity will be holiday style and will start from Olmeto, Southern Corsica Beach (EU-014). Operations will be mobile on 80-10 meters, mainly CW, with some SSB and Digital, using a FT-857D and MP1 antenna. He will travel to the following islands on the tentative days:
July 14th: Lavezzi Island (EU-164, DIFM TK-011, Loc. JN41OI); starting around 0800z.
July 18th: Bloodthirsty (Sanguinaires) Island (EU-104, DIFM TK-002, Loc. JN41HV); starting around 1000z.
QSL via F8BBL, direct or by the Bureau. Also via LoTW. For more details and past operations, see: http://rnb.dx-cw.net

TO3, SAINT BARTHELEMY. Operators Wim/ON4CIT and Paul/ON4BEC will be active as TO3X from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) between April 16-30th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using mostly SSB and RTTY with some CW. They will look for JA staions every day during 2300-0200z on 15/12/10 meters on SSB and RTTY. QSL via ON4CIT, direct or by the Bureau. An online log will be available at ClubLog, as well as an OQRS. Log will be uploaded to LoTW later in the year. For more details and suggested frequencies, see the TO3X Web page at: http://www.dxpedition.be/TO3X.html
ADDED NOTE: Wim, ON4CIT, is looking for operators for the next DXpedition at the end of 2012 or 2013 to Togo (5V) and to Benin (TY). If interested, contact him at: on4cit@telenet.be

TZ, MALI (Postponed!). Members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" announced two weeks ago that they were planning to be active as TZ5T from Mali between April 12-27th. However, their Pilot station Art, IK7JWY, announced this past week [edited]: "We regret having to give bad news about the planned DXpedition. The situation of civil war in Mali between the govern-ment and Tuareg is getting worse lately, and for safety reasons, the authorities do not issue licenses to radio amateurs who may be targeted because of radio equipment. For this reason the DXpedition is postponed until a later date." It is suggested to watch their official Web site for updates at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum: http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?fe
Further notices will follow.

V3, BELIZE. Colin/KU5B will once again be active as V31UB between May 23-29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. He will also be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. QSL direct to his home callsign or LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA. Kay, JH3AZC, will be active as V63AZ from Pohnpei Islands (OC-010) between April 30th and May 4th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via JH3AZC. ADDED NOTE: "The Daily DX" reports that Kay will head to Guam after his V63AZ operation and be active as W2AZ/KH2 between May 5-6th.

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND (6m Op!). Bob, ZL1RS, will be active as VK9N/ZL1RS from Duncombe Bay, Norfolk Island, between March 26th and April 8th. His activity will be 6 meters - Monitoring and calling CQ on 50.110 MHz SSB and 50.1106 MHz CW. He may also be on 6m EME, but at moonrise and moonset only. His equipment will be an IC-706mk2g, HB PA and HB stacked Yagis. QSL only direct to his home callsign. For more details and an operating schedule, go to: http://www.qsl.net/zl1rs/vk9n.html
ADDED NOTE: Bob is planning a 6m and 2m operation from Niue (ZK2) between early September and mid-November (see details below).

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. The "Buddies in the Caribbean" mini-DXpedition group is off to Montserrat (VP2M) between April 8-16th, with a new group of operators who have never experienced the "other side of a pileup"! Because of severe baggage limits on the flight from Antigua to Montserrat (one bag under 50 lbs!), they will be limited to 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems. Yet their goal is to demon-strate "ultralite" DXpeditioning into magnificent "vista" locations,

operating a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, light-weight antennas and most of all "having fun" on the "volcano isle". The eight operators are: Budd/W3FF (VP2MFF), Guy/N7UN (VP2MUN), Paul/KB9AVO (VP2MVO), Larry/W7DGP (VP2MLR), Russ/N7QR (VP2MQR), Tom/K2GSJ (VP2MTM) and Chris/N2YYZ (VP2MYZ). There will be several villa stations in operation on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only, field portable either from Montserrat beaches or scenic mountain tops. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to the operator's home callsign (SASE required).

XQ, CHILE. Esteban, XQ7UP, will be active from Coyhaique (Patagonia) between March 17-25th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using mostly SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will also be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th). QSL via direct to the address on QRZ.com.

ZA100, ALBANIA. Operators Franck/F4DTO and Patrick/F4GFE will once again be active from Albania, but as ZA100I between April 22-29th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB only. QSL via F4DTO, direct or by the Bureau.

ZK2, NIUE (6 and 2 meter Op!). Operators Lance/W7GJ and Bob/ZL1RS will once again team up to do a 6 meter (Lance) and 2 meter (Bob) EME DXpedition between September 9-21st, like they did together from E51 and 3D2. Lance will use the callsign ZK2GJ, while Bob will probably use his old callsign ZK2RS. Lance has the preliminary information about the DXpedition at:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
QSL ZK2GJ via W7GJ and ZK2RS via ZL1RS DIRECT ONLY.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS. Only a few more days to work David, VO1AU, as ZL7/VO1AU from the Chatham Islands (OC-038). He will go QRT in March 13th. QSL via VO1MX.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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311. eHam.net News for Sunday 11 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-11 23:15:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73bc1d9a04baffcd5a@google.com>
Source record: 3478
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Kids will Ham It Up, Radio Style:

Posted: 10 Mar 2012 04:20 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27888

In the event of hurricanes, fires, floods, earthquakes and other disasters, you can count on amateur (or Ham) radio to provide vital links to agencies and city services such as fire, police and ambulance. On Tuesday, March 20, local kids can join Surrey Museum and Surrey Emergency Program Amateur Radio Society (SEPAR) in an amateur radio emergency communications workshop at the museum, at 17710 56A Ave. The session (from 2 to 4 p.m.) will focus on how amateur radio provides communities with emergency communications when commercial systems are not operational.

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Ham Radio Network to Help Disaster Communications:

Posted: 10 Mar 2012 04:19 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/27887

He was responding to a representation made by a member of the HAM radio community on their readiness and availability to act in disaster situations during a discussion on the topic 'Media and Disasters' here today. Organised in connection with the ongoing international workshop on disaster risk reduction and contingency planning, Surakshaayanam 2012, representatives of the media including Deputy Editor, Frontline Ventikesh Ramakrishnan, Associate Editor of India Today M G Radhakrishnan and Malayala Manorama Bureau Chief John Mundakkayam delineated various aspects of media reportage on disaster management.

312. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 12 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 07:30:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934093d0375a004bb06b99b@google.com>
Source record: 3479
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Calhoun GA Hamfest 4-28-2012

Posted: 10 Mar 2012 05:36 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337486-Calhoun-GA-Hamfest-4-28-2012&goto=newpost

Inviting all amateurs to the Calhoun GA hamfest held at the Sugar Valley GA Community Center. Admission is only $5, free parking, free tailgating with paid admission, VENDORS, VE testing at 11 AM, food, drinks, prizes, and Grand Prize.

For more information see our website at www.k4woc.com

See you there,

Felton, AF4DN

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Arthur Illinois Annualhttp://www.qsl.net/mark/ Hamfest

Posted: 09 Mar 2012 03:41 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337255-Arthur-Illinois-Annualhttp-www-qsl-net-mark-Hamfest&goto=newpost

The Moultrie Amateur Radio Klub would like to announce our annual Arthur Illinois Hamfest to be held on April 22, 2012 at the Moultrie/Douglas County fair grounds from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Exams will be given.

The fairgrounds are located behind the high school of off Illinois route 133 on the sound end of Arthur, IL.

For more information http://www.qsl.net/mark/, email rzancha@one-eleven.net, or call 217-254-7574.

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North Alabama Tailgate Party/Swapfest

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 09:53 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337237-North-Alabama-Tailgate-Party-Swapfest&goto=newpost

Bankhead Amateur Radio Club, Inc. of Moulton, Alabama

Annual Tailgate Party/Swapfest

Located at the Lawrence County Fairgrounds (Lions Club) in Moulton, Alabama

Saturday, April 28th, 2012

Check out www.n4idx.com/calendar.htm for more info!

For more information, send e-mail to info@n4idx.com

Josh Hatton, W4ZZK

Web Admin

Bankhead Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

www.n4idx.com

313. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 12 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 11:04:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73bfa74404bb09b32b@google.com>
Source record: 3480
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS ham radio space contact planned with school in Bree, Belgium

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/c0lClhB58yE/ariss_event_1603.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned Friday 16 March 2012 at approximately 10:11 UTC with
students at Middenschool de Regenboog, Bree in Belgium

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HMS Collingwood Amateur Radio Special Event station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S--WZ4nMTlo/hms_collingwood_special_event_amateur_radio_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/march2012/hms_collingwood_special_event_amateur_radio_station.htm

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Radio Amateur encourages Engineering as a career

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/drQsPe6DP0A/radio_amateur_encourages_engineering_as_a_career.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ali Guarneros Luna KJ6TVO has been involved in the development of the
amateur radio CubeSat TechEdSat. In this video she talks to teenagers at a
Careers Night about her aspiration to become an engineer

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CQIR Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-ZHBhfmy9oQ/cqir_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This contest is the international showpiece event for the Irish Radio
Transmitters Society’s 80th celebrations

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ISS Knitting Needle Experiment

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FwdrFFLPF3E/iss_knitting_needle_experiment.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this YouTube video radio amateur and ISS astronaut Don Pettit KD5MDT
demostrates physics in space using a knitting needle and water droplets

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Skeds with Namibia DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4NHeuCW9U80/skeds_with_namibia_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David GI4FUM reports that the Namibia DXpedition welcomes skeds during
their operation which begins March 19

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h07z5pmTERA/march_12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7-XRprErjPo/dxcc_report_1203.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
4th-March, through Sunday, 11th-March there were 220 countries active

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Education and Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1V3uynUcDoI/education_and_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Villages Amateur Radio Club has taken ham radio into school by teaching
amateur radio and electronics as part of the after school program

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HhttjVQs5j0/history_12_march.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

314. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 11th March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 15:32:26 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120312153218.8D72F33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3481
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 11th March 2012

The news headlines:

RSGB Olympics Facilitator appointed

News on RSGB Consultations

American hams get CW on 60m

The RSGB has announced that Steve Fletcher, G4RFC, has agreed to become the RSGB's Olympic Facilitator. Steve will be drawing together all the information on radio amateur special events associated with the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Steve wants to hear about your plans so the RSGB website can show who is doing what, when and where. The Games are a once off opportunity to demonstrate amateur radio and at the same time have some fun. Steve can be reached at g4rfcinfo@yahoo.co.uk.

The pilots for the recently introduced consultation processes are now reaching their conclusion. The Litmus Test on proposals for a Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party will be offering an amended version to reflect the consensus that is emerging. The amended proposal will be available on the RSGB website from Monday 12 March, and the Litmus Test will remain open for final comments. All are reminded that the Litmus Test on proposals for a new 5MHz NoV and the consultation on the Society's draft Spectrum Strategy are also ongoing. All consultations can be reached by following the ``We need your views'' link on the RSGB website home page.

On 5 March, radio amateurs in the USA were allowed to use CW on 60 metres for the first time. G4BUE, operating as N4CJ, and G3VTT believe they made the first 60 metre CW QSO between the USA and Europe. At 0501UTC on 5 March, just one minute after USA amateurs were allowed to use CW on the five 60m channels for the first time at 0001EST, Colin answered Chris' CQ on 5373kHz. They exchanged 549 and 339, later changing it to 569 as QSB took effect. They also exchanged details that Chris was using 100 watts from his K3 to an inverted vee at 35 feet and Colin was using 50 watts from an IC-735 to a 120 foot end-fed wire. A good result for the first EU-USA 60m CW QSO.

The RSGB was surprised to learn, on Friday 9 March, that a number of amateurs have received a letter telling them that they would be unable to renew their amateur radio insurance policy after 31 March. The Society had been in discussions with Bluefin, also known as Amateur Radio Insurance Services, as recently as 17 February about a new

insurance underwriter taking on the policies. Bluefin have now advised the RSGB that this deal had fallen through, which is why they have been forced to advise their clients of the situation.�The RSGB is exploring possible alternative arrangements, and hopes to be able to make further announcements before the 31 March cutoff.

Everyone, whether you are Irish or not, is invited to a party on St Patrick's Day. The Irish national society, the IRTS is celebrating its 80th birthday and, as part of the fun, have organised a 24 hour contest that begins at noon UTC on St Patrick's Day, 17 March. This is an everybody works everybody contest .Full rules, including a list of Irish counties, are available on the IRTS website, www.irts.ie/CQIR.

The IARU Region 1 Executive Committee is holding its annual meeting this weekend at the DARC HQ in Baunatal, Germany. The agenda will include outstanding actions from the 2011 General Conference, WRC-12 and WRC-15, spectrum defence, EMC, Youth, Political Relations, Development, Working Groups and Member Societies.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Wythall Radio Club Radio and Computer Rally takes place today, 11 March, at the Woodrush Sports Centre, Shawhurst Lane, Hollywood, nr Birmingham B47 5JW. The venue is on the A435, 2 miles from J3 of the M42. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy, with admission costing ?2.50. Contact Chris, G0EYO on 07710 412 819.

The next rallies we have information on take place on 25 March.

The Spring Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale will he held at the Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AL. Doors open at 10am and there will be, civil, military & vintage radio equipment, vehicle spares & more. Contact Rod Siebert, 01270 623 353.

The Devon & Cornwall HAMFEST takes place the same date, 25 March, at The Engine House, Compton Park, Callington PL17 8EA. There will be trade stands and special interest groups. Compton Park is a peaceful, simple unspoilt site formerly the site of an old Cornish tin mine, with the old Cornish steam engine house and the Engine House Tea Rooms. More information from Dereck, M0YDW, via e-mail to disco5live@btinternet.com.

Now for the news of special events

Two special event stations are taking to the air for St Patrick's Day, 17 March. GB5SPD will be on the air from County Tyrone and GB1SPD will be on the air in Omagh. More details on both stations can be found on qrz.com.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

V5/GI4FUM, V5/GI8MIV, V5/GI4DOH and V5/DM3BJ will be operating from Namibia from the QTH of Andre, V51B starting on 19 March. The team will

be QRV for CQWW WPX SSB on 24 and 25 March with the callsign V55B. All QSLs for the operation should go via David, GI4FUM, who is QTHR.

A large group from Germany and Poland plan to be active from the Pacific island of Tonga until 24 March. Callsign is A35YZ and QSL manager is DL7DF.

Willy, ON4AVT will be active as C5AVT from near Banjul, The Gambia until 20 March. He will operate PSK only, mainly on 15 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts, which is IOTA reference NA-104, until 28 March. He will operate SSB on the 6 to 80m bands. His wife Cathy will also operate occasionally as V47HAM. All QSLs via W5JON.

LA2XNA and LA8HGA plan to be active from Svalbard as JW2XNA and JW8HGA respectively from 16 to 20 March, all bands. JW2XNA will be on SSB and PSK, while JW8HGA will be on CW. QSL via their home calls either direct or via the LA QSL bureau.

Now the contest news

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 13 March from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The following day, 14 March, the CW leg of the 80m club championships takes place from 2000 to 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

You will need to be up very early if you want to catch the start of the BARTG HF RTTY Contest at 2am on 17 March. It runs for 48 hours until 0200UTC on 19 March. Exchange signal report, a serial number and the time. Please note that although this event is not run or administered by RSGB, it does count towards the HF Championship.

You can also be Irish for the day by taking part in the CQIR Ireland Calling event, commemorating the 80th anniversary of IRTS. SSB QSOs are worth 2 points, while CW QSOs are worth 3. It runs from 1200UTC on 17 March until 1200UTC on 18 March, using both CW and SSB on all bands from 3.5MHz to 28MHz, the exchange is signal report, serial number and Irish county.

Starting at exactly the same time as the IRTS event is the Russian DX Contest, which runs until 1200 on 18 March. There are lots of entry categories, mostly for single ops. An interesting twist is that it is permitted for a single op station to make two single-band entries. Usually this would be to take advantage of bands that aren't open at the same time, for example 10m and 80m. Using CW and SSB on the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number. Russians also send their oblast code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 2nd to the 8th of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 9th of March.

Warnings were made as recently as last week in this report regarding a sudden upsurge in solar activity. Well, this happened when a large active sunspot region rotated into view. Since then this region as produced 12 M class and 2 X class solar flares during the period, plus numerous C class flares every day. A second group also produced an X class flare. The largest flare of the period was an X5/3B proton flare, which took place early on the 7th. Since then activity has declined. Coronal mass ejections took place along with some of the larger solar flares and are headed our way. Solar flux levels increased from 108 units on the 2nd to 140 by the 7th. The average was 127 units. X-ray flux levels showed an increase also, from B2.6 units on the 3rd to C1.1 by the 7th. The average was B6.6 units. Geomagnetic activity started at just unsettled levels but by the early hours of the 7th activity increased to major storm levels, though activity did not last long at that level. The Ap index on the 7th was 64 units. Again, by mid-morning the next day another CME arrived, this time stronger than the previous day. The Ap index on the 8th was 28 units. However, the Bz remained mostly positive, which explains the lower Ap figure for that day. The average was Ap 20 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 350 and 500 kilometres per second until the early on the 7th. Particle densities were low but increased on the 7th to 22 particles per cubic centimetre. From around 0900 on the 7th solar wind speed and particle data was corrupted due to the proton solar flare several hours earlier. Bz varied between minus 8 and plus 9 nanoTeslas until the 7th when fluctuations to minus 19 and plus 14 nanoTeslas on the 7th and between minus 13 and plus 41 nanoTeslas during the morning of the 8th. Bz data remained unaffected from the protons. For anyone wanting regular daily reports, then enter spots and flares as one word into a search engine. Aurora occurred on 50, 70 and 144MHz extending down to central England during the afternoon and evening of the 7th. MUFs were depressed by several MHz during that phase of the disturbance but recovered enough during the 8th for the 3C expedition to be workable on 28MHz.

And finally the solar forecast. With a very active region already in view solar activity this week is expected to up to moderate levels on some days and high levels on the occasional day. Solar flux levels should decline towards next weekend as the active region nears the north-west limb and rotates out of view. Levels should be around the 120's by then. Geomagnetic activity could increase around midweek when a small recurring coronal hole disturbance arrives. However, there is a good chance that a coronal mass ejection associated with any large solar flares could increase activity substantially within 24 to 48 hours after a large solar flares takes place. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 27MHz for the south and 24MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 9MHz. A warning though, levels could be much lower on any days when high geomagnetic activity is taking place. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 22MHz. The optimum working

frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 17MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1100 hours. This path should be difficult to work this week.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

On Sunday 11 March Wythall Radio Club is running the Wythall Radio Rally. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Sunday 11 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Wythall Radio Rally. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Sunday 11 March South Birmingham Radio Society is running a club stand at the Wythall Radio Rally. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 11 March Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a club stand at Wythall Radio Rally. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Monday 12 March Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating in the new shack. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 12 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a rally debrief and putting the shack on the air. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 12 March Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a test equipment evening with John, G0JUQ. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 13 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 13 March Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on HF walking mobile by Charlie, G0CBM. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday 13 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 432MHz UK AC from 20.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 13 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual dinner. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509

504 319.

On Tuesday 13 March Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 13 March Wythall Radio Club is having a committee & post-rally meeting. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 14 March Derby RAYNET Amateur Radio Group is holding an open evening at Ascot Drive Fire Station Community Room. Contact Martin, G7MKS, via email to contactus@derbyraynet.co.uk.

On Wednesday 14 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a social night and quiz from 20.15. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 14 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 14 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Main and Novice construction competitions. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 15 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running a club net on 145.375MHz from 20.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 15 March Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 15 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 16 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a construction night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 16 March Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on software defined radio by G8EBM. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

On Friday 16 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

We start with advance notice that Southport and District Amateur Radio Club will be starting their next Intermediate course on 17 March, leading to the exam on 21 April. The programme is by distance learning plus tutor support, a practical training session and a theory revision session followed by the exam. The venue is Ormskirk, Lancashire. The club still has some places available and any Foundation licensees wishing to upgrade their licence should contact Rob Harwood, G0HRT, on 07413 937 075 or via rob@g0hrt.co.uk.

On Monday 12 March Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on 4G, the next generation cellular technology by Steve Townsley. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 12 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding an open evening as part of National Science Week. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 12 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a demonstration on how to solder RF plugs by G8KBH. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 13 March Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 13 March Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and continuing its Foundation course. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 13 March Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having an HF & 70cm night, organised by Russ, M3LCZ. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 14 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is participating in the 80m CC CW and having a talk by G0TPS. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 14 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a discussion on coax cable termination, led by G8XMZ. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Wednesday 14 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Contest CW from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Wednesday 14 March Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on King Telegraph versus Rival Radio by Lisa Mossop, M0LSA. Details from Simon, G6XHF, on 01516 013 269.

On Thursday 15 March Keighley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Echolink by Steve, G8ZMG at Parkside Social Club, Butt Lane, Haworth BD22 8QJ. Details from Phil Hey, G4JHS.

On Thursday 15 March Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and is on the air from the club shack. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 16 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is holding a bring in something interesting evening.. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 16 March Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a live flight simulator experience. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 17 March Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation course from 13:30. Contact Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI, on 07748

221 855.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 13 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 14 March Glenrothes & DRC is having a talk and demonstration on Slim Jim aerials by John, GM4AQ. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Wednesday 14 March Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on WWII utility radios by Peter Dick, GM4DTH and Colin Wright, GM4HWO. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 15 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by James MacKinnon, GM4EKC. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 15 March Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on APRS by MM6ANL. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Thursday 15 March Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on 10 ways to make your station work better by Ian, GM3SEK. Details from Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, 07979 692 580.

On Friday 16 March Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on planning permission by Len Paget, GM0ONX. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

On Monday 12 March Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on junk box antennas by M0NDJ and M1MRB. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 12 March Maidstone YMCA Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Admission is ?1 and all are welcome. More information from Howard Vicary, G0RJN, by email to hvicary@hotmail.com.

On Monday 12 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a club net from 19.30 on GB3NB. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 12 March West Kent Amateur Radio Society is holding a surplus auction run by Dave, G4OTV. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 13 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio is looking at antenna analysers, how they work and what they can and can't tell you. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 13 March Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 13 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 13 March Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HF DX working by John, G3VPW. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 13 March Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club Amateur Radio is working with the pupils of the Marlowe Academy from 10am to 3pm. Contact Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Wednesday 14 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 14 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members' forum. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 14 March Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is holding an inter club quiz with Colchester & Clacton Radio Clubs. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday 14 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 14 March Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is attending Loughton Town Council's Annual Town Meeting. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Wednesday 14 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship CW, holding an informal meeting making the workshop available. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 14 March South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Dave, G4AJY, on frequency, wavelength and waveform. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday 14 March Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding a surplus sale. Contact Mr. D. F. Berry, by email to G4DFB, dfberry@eggconnect.net.

On Thursday 15 March Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a talk on model radio control techniques technologies. Details from Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Thursday 15 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society starts its Intermediate course. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Thursday 15 March Colchester Radio Amateurs are having a self training evening. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 15 March Cray Valley Radio Society is planning its Olympics station. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 15 March Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on forgery in British currency by Mr Richard Burton. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 15 March Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The White Horse, Maplehurst RH13 6LL. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 15 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 15 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing the club project with Richard, G3NII. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 15 March Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on limited space dipoles by Dave Jefferies, G6GPR. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Friday 16 March Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk by David Sumner, G3PVH, on going by sail to Antartica, . Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 17 March Burnham Beeches Radio Club commences its DXPicnic weekend event. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 12 March Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 12 March Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 13 March Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on DXing by Ian Davies, G3KZR. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 13 March Plymouth RC is having a talk on Morse code by Peter Jackson, M0BLO. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Tuesday 13 March Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Titanic by David Barlow, G3PLE. Details online at www.gb2gm.org.

On Wednesday 14 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 15 March Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a workshop evening at Gweal An Top School. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 15 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a table top sale. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 15 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 16 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

We start with advance notice that Carmarthan Amateur Radio Society will be holding an Intermediate course on Saturday and Sunday 7 and 8 April at Cwmduad Community Hall, SA33 6XJ. Any candidates interested in this course should contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297, or email 2W0LLT@talktalk.net.

On Thursday 15 March Porthmadog and District Amateur Radio Society is having its monthly meeting at Porthmadog Yacht Club. Contact details are at www.PDARS.co.uk.

On Saturday 17 March Newport Amateur Radio Society is on the air and hands-on refurbishing an FR-50b. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

315. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 12 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 16:30:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2345075e23be04bb0e422e@google.com>
Source record: 3482
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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PRM12WT is Open for Comments

Posted: 11 Mar 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337613-PRM12WT-is-Open-for-Comments&goto=newpost

Dear friends,

PRM12WT which is a Petition for Rule Making regarding PRB-1 extension using a 14th Amendment argument needs your comments and support.

Even if your comments are very short, it will be helpful to show community interest. The Petition is very difficult to find on both versions of the

FCC website, however you can locate it using google and searching for PRM12WT. The link below will bring you right to the comment area on

the FCC site for this petition. You then click on "Submit a filing on PRM12WT" and you can make your voice heard.

Please feel free to forward this to anyone or post it elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Leonard J. Umina

W7CCE

http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/proceeding/...0?name=PRM12WT

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OLTMS LEO-1 Flight Report

Posted: 09 Mar 2012 07:56 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337279-OLTMS-LEO-1-Flight-Report&goto=newpost

The flight of LEO-1 was a great success. Aside from technical difficulties, the launch went well and was a lot of fun for all. The flight reached a maximum altitude of 97,000 which was verified by a chase team member from a direct packet received directly on his HT. The flight was not that fast going up, but it was a scorcher on its way down. It was launched from Gluckstadt, MS and landed near Ashville, AL on a fighting bull farm.

All equipment and science projects were accounted for since it landed in a pine tree at the edge of a pasture. The pine tree was about 100 feet tall

and was hanging from about the 70 foot level. Luckily a friend, Shane-N4XWC, who likes to climb trees was on one of the chase teams and was there and helped recover it all. There were many hams involved in the chase teams. Listed below are some of the individuals and hams that contributed to this extraordinary event.

(Team 1) Jim Coker(AE5SK), Jim Rapp(WS7EOC);

(Team 2) Bill Richardson(N5VEI), Coley Richardson, Martin McCandless, Adam Lewis(KF5JSY)

(Team 3) Shane Wilson(N4XWC) and friend

(Team 4) Bobby Robinson(Science Teacher) and daughter

(Team 5) Zac Hollingsworth W4ZAC and Brady Bunt KF4YPT

(Team 6) Tom Randle is (W4BM)

All science projects were accounted for and are being analyzed at this time. We also duplicated a phenomenon that we got from an experiment last year. The phenomenon happened when we sent up a roll of film in a plastic roll container. Last year, the film was developed and a few of the frames had orange and red flame images across them and some had an ethereal blue flame or haze across them. No scientist that we have talked to has been able to identify what particle might have collided with the film or the phenomenon. This year the same thing happened on one frame of the film. We took great measures to ensure that there were no accidental exposures. The phenomenon around the third frame in from the end this year. Once all science experiments are fully completed, I will have a report available.

On a final note, we are now in 2nd place for VHF/UHF telemetry reception distance at ARHAB.org. They track worldwide amateur radio ballooning records. A single packet was received in North Carolina when the balloon was at or near peak altitude. It traveled 512 miles. Due to a weather front in the area it provided perfect conditions for VHF propagation. The 50mw voice beacon was heard near the balloons peak from Sumrall, MS. Jimmy Ready (N5LRQ) trained his beams on it and was able to make out a portion of the secret message. Overall the balloon was a great success, and next year□s launch is already being planned. A slideshow of all the pictures can be found at www.tinyurl.com/otmsradio under the photo gallery.

73,

Bill Richardson, N5VEI

KC5NXD sponsor

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1804 March 9 2012

Posted: 08 Mar 2012 09:28 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337235-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1804--March-9-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1804 ☐ March 9 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1804 with a release date of March 9th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The Dayton Hamvention announces its 2012 award winners, the Sun erupts with a massive CME hurled toward Earth, Brazil bans DXpedition operations from Saint Peter and Saint Paul, new rules now in effect for U-S hams on 60 meters, and a new movie about going into space from Richard Garriott, W5KWQ. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1804 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO HONORS: HAMVENTION ANNOUNCES 2012 AWARD WINNERS

Its honors time in amateur radio. This as the Dayton Amateur Radio Association announces the names of these years Hamvention Award winners. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

316. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 12 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 16:40:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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American air power museum- 5-19 & 5-20-2012

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 05:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337705-American-air-power-museum-5-19-amp-5-20-2012&goto=newpost

05/19/2012 | American Air Power Museum

May 19-May 20, 1200Z-2100Z, W2GSB/APM, West Babylon, NY. Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club. 14.225 7.175 3.850 PSK 14.070. QSL. Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club/APM, PO Box 1356, West Babylon, NY 11704. We will also be operating on AO-27- SO-50 Amateur Satellites. www.gsbarc.org

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TRIATHLON DX Contest

Posted: 11 Mar 2012 01:52 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337616-TRIATHLON-DX-Contest&goto=newpost

Triathlon DX Contest announcement

It all started in August of 2011. That was about when it occurred to Mike, SV5BYR that a big Greek Contest was missing from international Ham Radio Contest Calendar. By the end of September this idea became mature and so the "Triathlon" was born! A triathlon is a multi- sport event involving the completion of three continuous and sequential endurance events. And as you have already guessed, it is a Greek word. We had to change a bit the name to Triathlon Dx Contest to match our activity. Actually, trying here to simulate the original Triathlon athletic event, we involved three major ham radio modes, SSB, CW, RTTY. It will be a 24 hour non-stop event divided in three sections, each one devoted to a different mode. There are some tentative rules of the contest that you can take a look. It will take place every Saturday, the 1st full weekend of February, debuting on 02-02-2013.

After all, what makes this particular contest unique is the special gift for the winner! (take a look to the prize page)

In this point we have to mention all the Greek amateurs who are working to make this event alive: SV1DPI, SV1NK, SV2AGW, SV2DCD, SV5BYR, SV7JAR, SV8CS, SV8RX, SV9GPV, SV9DJO

There is still a lot of work to be done and more details to be announced.
Stay tuned!

http://triathlon-dx-contest.blogspot.com

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DXpedition to Namibia for CQWW WPX contest

Posted: 11 Mar 2012 10:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337581-DXpedition-to-Namibia-for-CQWW-WPX-contest&goto=newpost

David, Gilli, Richard and Kalle fly out to Cape Town arriving on 14th March. They will drive up to Oranjemund on 18th and begin operating on 19th. They will be operating from the QTH of Andre V51B. Skeds can be arranged by email to gi4fum@arrl.net

V5/GI4FUM and V5/GI8MIV will operate ssb and some psk31/rtty

V5/GI4DOH will operate cw

V5/DM3BJ will operate psk31/rtty

The team will be QRV for CQWW WPX SSB on 24th/25th March with the call sign V55B

All QSLs for the operation should go via David GI4FUM who is QTHR

David GI4FUM/3DA0DJ/C91DJ

http://www.3da0ss.net

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DX Contest / QSO party rules

Posted: 11 Mar 2012 09:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337564-DX-Contest-QSO-party-rules&goto=newpost

Being relative new to Ham life (Jan 2012), I am unfamiliar with DX Contest and QSO party rules. If I don't plan to submit a log for the contest, is it OK for me to answer the CQs? Or, to put it another way, if I am not a contest participate, is it OK for me to answer the CQs? Any info and/or guidance is appreciated.

317. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-017E - New ARES logos

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 19:11:20 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F5E49D7.3060902@rac.ca>
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RAC Bulletin 2012-017E - New ARES logos
2012-03-11

The attached ARES/SURA logos (see url below), designed by Tyler Tidman VA3DGN are now available for use by all ARES/SURA members and groups. The black and yellow will be used on a "go forward" basis for caps, shirts, crests etc, while the black and white lends itself well when used in print form. Making these logos available in both official languages illustrates the RAC Field Organization's desire to grow the ARES network in all areas of Canada, and I would like to sincerely thank Tyler for his assistance in bringing these to you.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

<http://www.rac.ca/en/news/bulletins/2012/new_ares_sura_samples.pdf>

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318. Re: eHam.net News for Sunday 26 February 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 20:50:30 UTC
From: kb9rqz <kb9rqz@home.com>
Message-ID: <jjlnng$1gp5$1@adenine.netfront.net>
Source record: 3485
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"eHam.net via rec.radio.info Admin" <rec-radio-info-request@panix.com> wrote
in message news:14dae9340a93bf5a2204b9e68045@google.com...
> eHam.net News
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> Kids can Discover Amateur Radio at the Surrey Museum:
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> Posted: 25 Feb 2012 04:12 PM PST
> http://www.eham.net/articles/27789
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> Hurricanes, fires, floods, and earthquakes happen, but you can count on
> amateur (or ham) radio to provide vital links to agencies and city
> services such as fire, police and ambulance. On Tuesday, March 20 from
> 2-4 p.m., join the Surrey Museum and the Surrey Emergency Program Amateur
> Radio Society (SEPAR) in an amateur radio emergency communications
> workshop for kids. The workshop will focus on how amateur radio provides
> communities with emergency communications when commercial systems are not
> operational. The workshop will provide kids with a hands-on experience of
> how amateur radio systems work and the technology used. (For ages nine
> and over. Admission is free. Space is limited so please pre-register by
> calling 604-592-6956. Held at the Surrey Museum, 17710 56A Ave.).
> Communications infrastructure (cellphone, regular phone, or the Internet)
> is usually one of the first services to fail in a major emergency due to
> damage, lack of electricity and/or overload. Ham radio uses direct radio
> to radio communication independent of commercial systems, allowing
> emergency messages to get through.SEPAR operates under the direction of
> the Surrey Fire Department and would be called out at the request of the
> Surrey Emergency Program.
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> Gary R. Goodwin, KC8TGP (SK):
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> Posted: 25 Feb 2012 04:11 PM PST
> http://www.eham.net/articles/27788
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> Gary R. Goodwin, 76 of Dade City, Fla., (formerly of Marietta) passed away
> on Friday (Feb. 3, 2012). He was born May 3, 1935, in Marietta. He
> graduated in 1953 from Marietta High School and served in the United
> States Army. He retired in 1992 from Monongahela Power Company after 34
> years where he worked as an electrician. He was an avid Ham Radio

> Operator, call letters KC8TGP.
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--- Posted via news://freenews.netfront.net/ - Complaints to news@netfront.net ---

319. eHam.net News for Monday 12 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-12 22:26:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f23450756ea4804bb133a63@google.com>
Source record: 3486
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Groups Given Donation:

Posted: 11 Mar 2012 06:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27894

Amateur radio operators in Berks County will have improved long-range capabilities to help civil authorities with auxiliary communications thanks to a donation from the corporation that owns the Titus Station power plant in Cumru Township. GenOn Energy has donated $3,600 to the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, known as ARES, and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service of Berks County. The latter is the local club of amateur radio enthusiasts. ARES operates during emergencies under the auspices of the Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of amateur radio operators throughout the United States.

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Home Sweet Ham: Good Conditions for Ham Radio Sways Couple to Buy ND Home:

Posted: 11 Mar 2012 06:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27893

FARGO, N.D. -- James Stiles doesn't hunt, fish, bird watch or yet dig for dinosaur bones -- the typical hobbies that draw people to North Dakota. He's moving to the state to increase his stock as a ham radio operator. The 57-year-old Stiles, retired for five years from a career as a computer whiz with the U.S. Department of Defense, recently bought with his wife Sue a house sight unseen -- on the Internet auction site eBay, no less -- in the small southeastern North Dakota town of Edgeley. The town is not named for being on the edge of the world. But Stiles hopes he can hear it from there. Yes, the price was right, the state is safe, the people are friendly, the town has a welcoming website. But perhaps most importantly, there's plenty of room for a 40-year amateur radio operator to become famous. "Yes, I am a ham radio operator. This really was a factor," Stiles said in a phone interview from Myrtle Beach, S.C., where he's spending the winter. Stiles said the state is ideal for his hobby because there's less congestion on the radio frequency and the Aurora conditions, or Northern Lights allow for communications over greater distances. In addition, no place is the best place for a ham radio operator, many of whom compete to find people in obscure places.

320. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 13 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-13 11:08:32 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e842c163ee304bb1de000@google.com>
Source record: 3487
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Triathlon DX Contest announcement

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oWcZnxy51r8/triathlon_dx_contest_announcement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It all started in August of 2011. That was about when it occurred to Mike, SV5BYR that a big Greek Contest was missing from international Ham Radio Contest Calendar

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ECI-QRP Spring Meeting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hWMrJws98TE/eci_qrp_spring_meeting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Well folks another winter has nearly passed us by and already I’m seeing Robins in the yard

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GOMX-1 to test CubeSat Space Protocol

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ADt1v-jxXRQ/gomx_1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GOMX-1 is an amateur radio 2U CubeSat built by students in Aalborg, Denmark

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New ARES logos

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9c2_qEFlvP0/new_ares_logos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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BBC - Morse Code Sound Sculpture

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4g50XdxqHVY/morse_code_sound_sculpture.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

BBC Radio 4 show Saturday Live broadcast on March 10 features Kevin Collins
who recalls his fathers passion for Morse code

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Special Callsign for Autumn Social Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HX1MnX5klss/special_callsign_for_autumn_social_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A social event has been organised by the Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society
to take place in Coventry

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Ham moves to 'ideal' North Dakota

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z0CLU_r5GOc/ham_moves_to_ideal_north_dakota.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

a couple are moving to North Dakota as they consider it an ideal state in
which to operate amateur radio

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IRLP Topic Channels go live

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8nZ49ghR7LM/irlp_topic_channels_go_live.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The long-awaited IRLP Topic Channels have now gone live! IRLP users are now
able to log onto reflector channels allocated for topics ranging from
DX'ing to music, media, history and Election 2012 as well as others

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QeOgtl1mzyw/iaru_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The February issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter
reports on the Dutch produced Datawell buoys that have been transmitting in
the amateur radio 10m band

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Bob Heil audio talk at UK National Hamfest 2011

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S1D4BI6plWk/bob_heil_audio_talk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gerard M3XYP has just posted on Youtube the Bob Heil audio talk from the
2011 UK National Hamfest

321. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 13 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-13 16:35:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efb728b8fc504bb227124@google.com>
Source record: 3488
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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S555E & S55CERKNO Special Event Callsign throughout 2012

Posted: 13 Mar 2012 03:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337853-S555E-amp-S55CERKNO-Special-Event-Callsign-throughout-2012&goto=newpost

Members of the Radio club Cerkno, S50E will be active as special event callsign S555E and S55CERKNO throughout 2012 activity is to celebrate the 55th club foundation anniversary. A special full color four face folded QSL will confirm each contact via the bureau in early 2013. S555E and S55CERKNO logs are also uploaded on ARRL LoTW on a regular basis please feel free to match your log for digital certification. Online logs can be found at club website http://www.s50e.si. For those who want to send card direct please send SASE with 2$ to cover return postage to Radioclub Cerkno, P.O. BOX 16, 5282 Cerkno, Slovenia with priority return when getting cards from the printer. Cards with insufficient postage or no return envelope will be returned via the QSL bureau.

CU bands, Dan S50U

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Special Event Callsign CG7CWPC June 15 toJuly 15, 2012

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 09:34 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337841-Special-Event-Callsign-CG7CWPC-June-15-toJuly-15-2012&goto=newpost

Special Event Callsign CG7CWPC to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the C.W. Parker Carousel at the Burnaby Village Museum. The callsign can be used between June 15, 2012 and July 15, 2012. We'll be announcing related special events as we have more details.

Contact ve7ees@rac.ca and visit http://www.ve7bar.org for more details

To see other Canadian Special Event Callsigns visit the Industry Canada website http://apc-cap.ic.gc.ca/pls/apc_anon/query_spev$.startup

322. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 05 - 11 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-13 19:30:14 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120313193001.8E4A233C93@panix2.panix.com>
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http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
05 - 11 March 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels during the period. Activity was at high levels during 05 - 07 and 09 - 10 March due mostly to a series of long-duration major flares from Region 1429 (N18, L=301, class/area Dkc/1270 on 07 March) which included an X1/2b at 05/0409Z, an X5/3b at 07/0024Z, an M6 at 09/0353Z, and an M8 at 10/1744Z. All four flares were associated with Earth-directed CMEs. Region 1429 was large and magnetically complex during the period, exhibiting a beta-gamma-delta configuration with multiple deltas. It appeared to slowly decay during 09 - 10 March, but retained much of its magnetic complexity. Region 1430 (N20, L=315, class/area Dai/200 on 07 March) produced an X1/Sf at 07/0114Z during a period of rapid development. Region 1430 appeared to be in a gradual decay phase during 08 - 10 March.

The period began with a greater than 10 MeV proton enhancement in progress. This increase from normal backgrounds was associated with a long-duration M2/1n flare that occurred prior to the period and sourced from Region 1429. The flux enhancement continued until the onset of greater than 100 MeV and greater than 10 MeV events early on 07 March associated with the X5/3b flare at 07/0024Z. The greater than 100 MeV event began at 07/0405Z, reached a maximum of 69 pfu at 07/1525Z, and ended at 10/1650Z. Also, a greater than 10 MeV event began at 07/0510Z, reached a maximum of 6530 pfu at 08/1115Z, and was in progress at the close of the period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal to high levels during 05 - 06 March. Flux readings were unreliable during 07 - 09 March due to proton contamination. Fluxes were at moderate to high levels on 10 and 11 March.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to severe storm levels during the period. Quiet to unsettled levels occurred during 05 - 06 March with brief minor storm periods observed at high latitudes.

Activity increased to unsettled to major storm levels on 07 March following a geomagnetic sudden impulse (SI) at 07/0427Z. The SI measured 20 nT at the Boulder magnetometer. This enhanced activity was due to a CME arrival associated with the X1/2b flare on 05 March. Quiet to minor storm levels occurred on 08 March, with major storm periods at high latitudes, as another CME, associated with the X5/3b on 07 March, impacted the geomagnetic field with an SI, as measured by the Boulder magnetometer of 59 nT, at 08/1105Z. Activity increased to quiet to severe storm levels on 09 March due to sustained southward IMF Bz combined with increased IMF Bt as CME effects persisted. Activity decreased to quiet to minor storm levels with major storm periods at high latitudes on 10 March as CME effects gradually subsided. A return to quiet levels was observed on 11 March.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
14 March - 09 April 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels during 14 - 16 March with a chance for M-class activity from Region 1429. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly background levels during 17 - 27 March, following the departure of Region 1429 on 15 March. An increase to low levels with a slight chance for M-class activity is expected from 28 March through the end of forecast period, as Region 1430 returns on 28 March and Region 1429 returns on 29 March.

A chance exists for another proton event from 14 - 16 March, as Region 1429, rotates off the visible disk. No events are expected until Region 1429 returns on 29 March, when a slight chance for another event from this proton producing region exists through the end of the forecast period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high levels during 14 - 19 March and 29 March - 03 April. Normal to moderate flux levels are expected during 20-28 March and 04 - 07 April.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominantly quiet levels from 14 - 16 March. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to active levels during 17 - 18 March due to recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream effects. Activity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels during 19 - 27 March. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected during 28 - 31 March as another coronal hole high speed stream becomes geoeffective. A return to quiet levels is expected from 01- 02 April. Another increase to quiet to unsettled levels is expected on 03 - 04 April as a coronal hole high speed stream becomes geoeffective. A return to predominantly quiet levels is expected to prevail for the remainder of the period.

323. eHam.net News for Tuesday 13 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-13 22:06:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8a7ef49ce604bb271089@google.com>
Source record: 3490
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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On the Record With Cornel Topala, W9CA:

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 05:43 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27897

Growing up in Romania, Cornel Topala fell in love with amateur radio. With that love came a desire to be able to speak and broadcast freely -- something he knew he could not do under the Communist regime of Nicolae Ceausescu. He immigrated to the United States in 1980 at age 21, got married and started his own business, CorTek Endoscopy, which builds medical equipment. His Wauconda business houses the radio equipment for W9CA, or Whiskey Niner Charlie Alpha in ham radio speak, which is the name of the local ham radio operators' club. The club has a national reputation because it frequently wins its class in the American Radio Relay League's annual Field Day competition. The competition, meant to see how many contacts a group can make worldwide in 24 hours, has a very practical purpose. Ham radio operators are a critical backbone for emergency response when disaster knocks out phone service and other communications.

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'We're The Eyes And Ears':

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 05:43 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27896

There is a not-so-secret force patrolling area events in neon vests, helping to keep the public safe in case of emergencies. The Chautauqua Amateur Radio Service is a 28-member strong group of volunteers that can be seen at many area events, including Saturday's DJDC St. Patrick's Day Parade and The Resource Center's 3-on-3 basketball tournament. "We set up a perimeter of emergency communications. Basically, we're the eyes and ears for the police, the fire departments," said Dan Trippy, president of the Chautauqua Amateur Radio Service. If the group spots anyone in need of assistance at an event, they are able contact the proper authorities through their radios.

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W1AW 2012 Spring/Summer Operating Schedule:

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 04:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27895

W1AW 2012 Spring/Summer Operating Schedule:

324. [DXNL] DXNL 1771 (Mar 14, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-13 22:46:25 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <72228385390.20120313234309@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3491
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1771 - Mar 14, 2012
DX Newsletter

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3D2, FIJI, OC-156
Yoshida,JA1NLX, will show up from Yageta Island (OC-156) as 3D2YA
mainly in CW and some RTTY/SSB on 80-10m from Mar 15-21. His equipment
includes a FT-857D, a vertical dipole Bravo-5 by N6BT for 14-28 MHz and
a longwire for the other bands. See: http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com
QSL via homecall, LoTW; he confirms every QSO via bureau.

4K, AZERBAIJAN
Axel,DL6KVA, will be QRV again as 4K0CW from QTH of Vlad,4K9W, in Baku
working only in CW from Mar 15-20. He will join the Russian DX Contest.
QSL via DL6KVA, LoTW.

6W, SENEGAL
Mike,RA9FW, and Igor,UA9CDC, plan to become active as 6V7Z from the
"Le Calao Resort" from Mar 16-28 including the Russian DX Contest and
the CQ WPX SSB Contest. QSL via RA9FW.

7P, LESOTHO
Peter,EI7CC, will be QRV as 7P8PB holiday style from Mar 15 till Apr 3.
The log will be uploaded to the Club Log daily. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
Barney,ZS6TQ/ZS4U, announced to be active as 9Q6/ZS4U between Mar 14
and Apr 8. Due to his QRL he will be active mainly from 1300-1500 UTC
in SSB, CW and PSK31 on 40m/20m/15m/10m/6m. QSL via K3IRV.

Sergiy,UV5EVJ (ex 5X1VJ), will be QRV from Lubumbashi using the club
callsign of the "Amateur Radio Association of the Democratic Republic
of Congo" (ARAC) 9Q0HQ/7 in CW and SSB on 80m-10m until the end of Mar.
Sergey is part of the UN mission MONUSCO. QSL via UV5EVJ.

A2, BOTSWANA
Frosty,K5LBU (A25CF), Keith,VE7MID (A25KW), Don,VE7DS (A25DS), and

Joel,N5JR (A25JR), are planning to visit the Lotsane Safari Lodge
from Mar 18-27. They will join the upcoming WPX SSB Contest as A25HQ
and use three stations, a log-per antenna plus a wire for 160m,
an Inverted L- and a Beverage antenna. QSLs via homecalls.
See also: http://www.lotsane.com

CE, CHILE
Esteban,XQ7UP, will be QRV in holiday style from Coyhaique in Patagonia
mainly in SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on the HF bands from Mar 17-25 and also
in the WPX SSB Contest. QSL via homecall.

CN, MOROCCO
Florent,F4CYZ, is signing CN2YZ from Tanger mainly during the weekends
until the end of the year. QSL via IZ8CCW. http://www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

CT9, MADEIRA, AF-014
Walter,CT9/DJ6QT, Uwe,CT9/DL8OBF, Alex,CT9/RA1AGL, Elena,CT9/RC5A,
Andrey,CT9/RM2M, Paul,CT9/RN3A, Sergey,CT9/UA1ANA, and Gena,CT9/UA9MA,
are working from Santana (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053)
till Mar 26. They will join the WPX SSB Contest as CQ3L (QSL via DJ6QT)
in the M/2 category. QSLs via homecalls.

D4, CAPE VERDE, AF-086
Rick,N6KT, will be active as D44TRS from Monte Verde near Mindelo on
Ilha do Sao Vicente (AF-086, WLOTA 1976, Loc HK76mv) from Mar 17-29.
He will sign D4A in the WPX SSB Contest. QSL via KU9C.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA, OC-066
Hiro,FO/JI1JKW, is working from Rangiroa (OC-066) from Mar 18-22.
QSL via homecall.

FW, WALLIS ISLAND, OC-054
Patrice,FW/F1GHY, is running 100 watts into a longwire on 20m SSB
from Wallis Island (aka: Uvea, OC-054, DIFO FW-001, WLOTA 0389).
The length of his stay is not known. QSL via homecall.

HR, HONDURAS, NA-057
Michael,DF8AN, is activating the islands Roatan (NA-057/WLOTA 1671)
and Utila (NA-057) in CW as HR9/DF8AN until Mar 26. QSL via homecall.

IT, SICILY, EU-025
IT9HBT, IT9GNG, IT9FXY, IT9ECQ, IF9ZWA, IW9FRA, IW9GTD, IW9HII and
IT9RDZ will join the WPX SSB Contest as II9K in the M/S HP category.
QSL via IT9HBT.

JW, SVALBARD, EU-026
Magne,LA2XNA (JW2XNA), and Jon,LA8HGA (JW8HGA), will be QRV on 160m-10m
but mainly on the highbands from Mar 16-20. Listen for JW8HGA in CW and
for JW2XNA in SSB and PSK31/63. QSLs via homecalls.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND, OC-053
Colin,KH9/WA2YUN, is working on the HF bands (incl. 160m/80m/6m) for
the next year. QSL via K2PF, unfortunately only direct.

LY, LITHUANIA
Jonas,LY5A, uses the special prefix LY22 for the first time till Apr 11
signing LY22A to mark the 22nd anniversary of the new Lithuania.
QSOs are valid for the LY WPX award and the Baltic States WPX award.
QSL via LY5A.

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
John,W2GD, will be QRV as P40W from Santa Cruz on Aruba (SA-036,
WLOTA 0033) from Mar 20-27 including the WPX SSB Contest.
QSLs unfortunately only direct via N2MM or via LoTW.

PY0/S, ST PETER AND ST PAUL ROCKS, SA-014
The "Southgate Amateur Radio News" states that the Brazilian government
has forbidden all amateur radio activities from this archipelago.
The "Brazilian Amateur Radio League" and other DX groups are already
working on this issue.

S9, SAO TOME, AF-023
Matt,K0KKO, and Ed,K0GUV, plan to become active as S92DX, S9CW and S9SX
from Ilheu das Rolas (AF-023) on HF, 6m (50105 kHz/SSB; 50105,7 kHz/CW)
and via EME from Mar 16-23.
See also: http://www.k0kko.net/pb/wp_5bd6e10c/wp_5bd6e10c.html

V5, NAMIBIA
Mathew,V5/DJ2HD, will be QRV again in CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m-10m (with
focus on 160m/80m/40m and RTTY) from Mar 17-27. QSL via homecall.
Winfried,DK9IP, Suad,DK6XZ, and Tobias,DH1TW, want to join Mathew
as V55V in the WPX SSB Contest. QSL for V55V via DJ8VC.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/dj2hd

David,GI4FUM, his XYL Gillian,GI8MIV, Richard,GI4DOH, and Kalle,DM3BJ,
are visiting Andre,V51B, in Oranjemund from Mar 14-27. They will use a
special contest call in the WPX but will sign V5/homecalls before and
after the contest (when they are not travelling around).

VE, CANADA
The special callsign XL3T remembers the Titanic disaster until the end
of April. QSL via VE3AT.

XV, VIETNAM
Retu,OH4MDY, is working as XV2RZ on 6m-80m especially in digital modes
between Mar 14 and Apr 16. QSL via homecall. See http://www.clublog.org

XW, LAOS
Alex,XW3DT, wants to join the Russian DX Contest as single op on 10m.
QSL QSLs unfortunately only direct via: Alex Sinchukov, XW3DT, SKY,
PO Box 7374, Vientiane, Laos (see also QRZ.com).

EUROPE Award Honor Roll lists a new record
Hajo Weigand,DJ9MH, has set up a new record in the Honor Roll of the
EUROPE Award with 2110 points. He is followed by HB9BOS (1978 points)
and DL7BQ (1894 points). The EUROPE Award Honor Roll is listed on the
website of the DARC Committee DX and HF Contesting.
The EUROPE Award is awarded for working amateurs in as many European

countries on different bands in different calendar years. There are no restrictions as to bands or modes.
See also: http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/diplome/europa-diplom/#english

True Ham Spirit
Yuri,UT1FG, was recently active as UT1FG/mm via satellites and on 6m from several wet grids. He lost his 12V power supply after he has left the port in Nicaragua. Captain Manolis Joannou,HP2ECP, gave him a spare supply when they met at sea.
See the full story at: http://www.papays.com/sat/power/ut1fgpanama.html

OPs wanted
There are still some places open on the DXpedition to Conway Reef from Sep 24 until Oct 5. If you are interested please contact Dragan,YT3W: dragan.acimovic@gmail.com
See also: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c

Approved for DXCC award
Following DXpeditions were approved for DXCC credit:
Somalia, 6O0M, 2011
Burundi, 9U3TMM, December 2011 and January 2012.
Afghanistan, T6BP, since 2011.
If you got one of these cards rejected before please send an e-mail to: bmoore@arrl.org

LoTW upload
Jacques,F1VEV, is uploading his logs of TR8CJ (1988-1990) and V85CJ (1990-94) to the LoTW.

Log online
Fred,IK7JWX, has put the logs of his PR2I DXpeditions to SA-024 and SA-071 online. You can send him an e-mail to: lik7jwx2003@yahoo.it
See also: http://www.i8lwl.it

SILENT KEY
The legendary DXpeditioner Ron Wright,ZL1AMO, died on March 6, at the age of 75. Since the late 1970s he has made well over 100 DXpeditions in the Pacific region, including 3D2RW, 3D2RW/R, 5W1CW, C21/ZL1AMO, A35EA, FW0BX, H44RW, T28RW, T28RW, T30BH, VR6HI, YJ0RW, ZK1CQ (South), ZK1CQ (North), ZK1MB (North), ZK2RW, ZK3RW, ZL7AMO, ZL8AMO and ZL9AMO. Our condolences and sympathy go to his family and friends. We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in the highest esteem.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at: http://www.sotawatch.org
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Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 14 YL-Aktivitaets-Party

Mar 15 YL-Aktivitaets-Party
Mar 17 Mecklenburg-Vorpommern-Contest
Mar 17 AGCW-DL VHF/UHF Contest
Mar 17/18 DARC HF-SSTV-Wettbewerb
Mar 17/18 Russian DX Contest
Mar 17/18 CQIR-Ireland Calling
Mar 17-19 BARTG HF RTTY Contest
Mar 24/25 CQ WPX SSB Contest

Worldwide Iron Ham Contest
The Brazilian "Araucaria DX Group" (ADXG) announced a new contest for
Jun 9/10. See: http://www.araucariadx.com/ih

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-175 (new), VU, Gujarat State West group: Members of the Thane Amateur
Radio Association (TARA) and the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI)
will activate Bet Shankhodhar Island in the Gulf of Kutch as AT2DW for
the very first time from Mar 15-30. They plan to use two stations in
SSB, CW and digital modes on 80m-10m. QSL via VU2SWS (bureau/direct).
An OQRS for direct and bureau QSLs will be set up, too.

EU-042, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: Ric,DL2VFR, and
some friends will use the special callsign DM50IOTA (marking the
"IOTA 50th Anniversary Marathon 2012/2013") in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31
from Hallig Langeness (GIA N-19, DLFF-013, WLOTA 1245) from Mar 16-18.
QSL via DL2VFR (bureau/direct).

NA-189, XE1, Nayarit/Jalisco State group: Enrique,XE2AA, and nine other HAMs
of the "Aguascalientes Amateur Radio Club" are going to hit the bands
with three stations in SSB, CW and digital modes signing XF1AA from
Isla Isabela (Loc DL71BV) on Mar 16-21. QSL via IT9EJW.

OC-221, YB8, Kai Islands: A group around Joppy,YB8XM, plans to activate the
very rare Ohoiew Island (Loc. PI64HH) from Mar 20-27. Listen for YB8Y
in SSB/CW/RTTY on 160m-6m. They will join the WPX SSB Contest as M/2.
QSL via YB1GJS (bureau/direct).
More details can be found at: http://yb8y.com

Lighthouse activities

D44TRS LH 1976 Mar 17-29
FH/DL7BC LH 0376 Mar 21-22
JW2XNA LH 0125 Mar 16-20
JW8HGA LH 0125 Mar 16-20
P40S LH 0033 Mar 21-27
P40W LH 0033 Mar 20-27
P4/DF7ZS LH 0033 Mar 21-27
PJ4Z LH 1279 Mar 23-25
PJ4/K4BAI LH 1279 Mar 21-27
PJ4/NA4BW LH 1279 Mar 21-27

PJ4/W4DXX LH 1279 Mar 21-27

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Resident 3B8FA 1765
15Mar-21Mar 3D2YA 1771 *
Unknown 3W7W 1768
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
15Mar-20Mar 4K0CW 1771 *
Unknown 4W0VB 1763
Unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
04Mar-04Apr 5H3MB 1769
07Mar-14Mar 5N7Q 1748/1770
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
10Mar-24Mar 5P5K 1770
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674

Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
16Mar-28Mar 6V7Z 1771 *
05Mar-23Mar 6Y0A 1769
08Mar-13Mar 7P8GF 1770
15Mar-03Apr 7P8PB 1771 *
31Mar 8N1JARL.. 1762
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-22Mar 8N5KOCHI 1770
01Mar-05Apr 8N1MOMO 1769
-31Mar 8J1YMS 1764
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
01Mar-20Mar 9G1AA 1769
08Mar-15Mar 9H3C 1770
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
Long term 9N1FE 1740
-Mar 9Q0HQ/7 1771 *
Soon 9Q1EK 1669
14Mar-08Apr 9Q6/ZS4U 1771 *
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

18Mar-27Mar A25HQ.. 1771 *
07Mar-24Mar A35YZ 1769/1770
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
15Mar-23Mar AT2DW 1771 *
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
-Mar CE9VPM 1752
27Feb-15Mar C56XA 1768
-20Mar C5AVT 1769
-31Mar CK975LC 1770
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771 *
-26Mar CQ3L.. 1771 *

08Mar-04Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1770
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr ? D2SG 1748
17Mar-29Mar D44TRS.. 1771 *
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
16Mar-18Mar DM50IOTA 1771 *
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763

-Mar/12 EA1CYK/p 1759
-31Dec E720RS 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
Unknown FK/9A4DU 1763
18Mar-22Mar FO/JI1JKW 1771 *
-Jul FR8NE 1710
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Unknown HA00CGCDH 1762
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
16Jan-26Mar HK3JCL 1762
NOW HL2/KC6STQ 1746
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764
-26Mar HR9/DF8AN 1771 *
-Apr HS0ZIQ 1765
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
03Mar-18Mar II0DP.. 1769
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
24Mar/25Mar II9K 1771 *

-Apr J28FJ 1739
-2011/12 J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
07Mar-15Mar J79SZ 1770
15Feb-14Mar J88DR 1767
-15Apr JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
Mar -Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769
16Mar-20Mar JW2XNA.. 1771 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
Postponed KH5 1674/1705/1741
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771 *

07Mar-14Mar NP2/N0TG.. 1770

-11Apr LY22A 1771
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
-Mar OA/OE3NHW 1749
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
Long term P29FM 1752
-Mar P29FR 1742
Unknown P40/ AI2N.. 1768
20Mar-27Mar P40W 1771 *
01Mar-28Mar PA100NOM 1769
21Jan-17Mar PJ2/AA9A.. 1763
12Mar-30Mar PJ2/DK5ON 1770
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
03Mar-17Mar PJ7/AA9A 1769
05Mar-18Mar PJ7PT 1769
-Mar RI1ANA 1762
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

Unknown SN/12WW.. 1763
-30Apr S540DKR 1770
12Mar-28Mar S79NEN 1770
16Mar-23Mar S92DX.. 1771 *
NOW ST2AR 1745
Unknown SU9VB 1754
Unknown SX1912 1763
-Apr T6BP 1746
-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
07Feb-27Mar TG8/W0OR 1767
Unknown TL8ES 1755
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755
02Mar-16Mar TO11A 1769
NOW TR0A/p 1760
-18Mar TT8ES 1770

05Mar-31Mar V21FS.. 1769
26Feb-15Mar V31SU 1768
08Feb-28Mar V47JA.. 1766
17Mar-27Mar V5/DJ2HD.. 1771 *
14Mar-27Mar V5/GI4FUM.. 1771 *
Resident V63YWR 1765
Mar V73FW.. 1769
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752

NOW VK0TH 1748/1763/1764
-Mar VK3HJ 1768
Unknown VP8DFR 1764
08Mar-15Mar VP9/G3PJT 1770
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
-Mar VU3BPZ.. 1762

03Mar-17Mar W4/VA3RA 1769
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-01Apr XE3/K5ENS 1767
16Mar-21Mar XF1AA 1771 *
-30Apr XL3T 1771 *
17Mar-25Mar XQ7UP 1771 *
14Mar-16Apr XV2RZ 1771 *
Unknown XT2RJA 1712/1763
15Feb-15Mar XU7DLH 1768
Unknown XV9DX.. 1756
Unknown XW3DT 1766/1771 *
20Mar-26Mar YB8Y 1771 *
-Apr ZS7KX 1740/1749

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8FA via NI5DX (B)
3D2YA via JA1NLX (B), (L)
4K0CW via DL6KVA (B), (L)
4S7BRG via LZ3HI (B)
6V7Z via RA9FW (B)
7P8PB via EI7CC (B), (L)
9A20I0IZ via 9A0IZ
9Q0HQ/7 via UV5EVJ (B)
9Q6/ZS4U via K3IRV (B)
A25CF via K5LBU (B)
A25DS via VE7DS (B), (L)
A25HQ via K5LBU (B)
A25JR via N5JR (B)
A25KW via VE7MID
AT2DW via VU2SWS, (B), (L), OQRS (ClubLog)
C5LT via F5RAV
CN2YZ via IZ8CCW (B)
CQ3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DJ6QT via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DL8OBF via DL8OBF (B)
CT9/RA1AGL via RA1AGL
CT9/RC5A via RC5A (B)
CT9/RM2M via RM2M
CT9/RN3A via RA3ANL
CT9/UA1ANA via UA1ANA (B)

CT9/UA9MA via UA9MA (B)
D44TRS via KU9C (B)
D4A via KU9C (B)
DJ9A via DJ9VA (B)
DL/SP5ES via SP5ES (B)
DM50IOTA via DL2VFR (B)
EA5/DO1PGA via DO1PGA
EA5/G3XGS via G3XGS
EA5/LZ2MAM via LZ1PM (B)
EA5/YO4RFV via YO4RFV
EA7/PE1DMH via PE1DMH
EE5W via EA5AVW, (L)
EE7E via EA7RU (B)
EO20RAN via UZ9RR (B)
EX8VZ via RW6HS (d)
FO/JI1JKW via JI1JKW (B)
FO8WBB (d)
FW/F1GHY via F1GHY (B)
HB0I/HB9GR via HB9GR
HF3A via (B)
HR9/DF8AN via DF8AN (B)
IH9YMC nur eQSL
II0IIDR via IZ0IFVD
II0IIGU via IZ0IEGC
II3ALP via IQ3CR (B), (L)
II3ICZ via IW3IE (B)
II6ICA via IW6ATQ (*)
II9IGA via IT9YEM
II9K via IT9HBT
J67ZF (d)
JW2XNA via LA2XNA (B)
JW8HGA via LA8HGA (B)
KH9/WA2YUN via K2PF (B)
LY22A via LY5A
LZ1437MGS via (B)
LZ1515PSB via (B)
LZ1500PNB via (B)
LZ1620PPZ via (B)
LZ1737SSS via (B)
LZ1814MIS via (B)
LZ1818MOG via (B)
LZ1822MIT via (B)
LZ916SS via (B)
LZ907SKB via (B)
N6WIN/VP9 via N6WIN (B)
NG7M/HI3 via NG7M
NG7M/HI9 via NG7M
NP2/AA4VK via AA4VK (B
P40W via N2MM (d), (L)
S92DX via K0KKO

S9CW via K0KKO
S9SX via K0KKO
TC2012WIC (d)
TI5/WA4PGM via WA4PGM (d)
TI5/WK4Y via WK4Y (L), (d)
TI8M via TI2KAC (B)
TO5A via F5VHJ (B)
TT8ES via IK3GES (B)
U4MIR via RN3DK (B)
V26M via W3HNK (d)
V5/DJ2HD via DJ2HD (B)
V5/DM3BJ via DM3BJ (B)
V5/GI4DOH via GI4DOH (B), (L)
V5/GI4FUM via GI4FUM (B)
V5/GI8MIV via GI4FUM (B)
V55V via DJ8VC (B)
V73/KJ6BBP via KJ6BBP (d)
VP9I via N1HRA
XF1AA via IT9EJW (B), (L)
XL3T via VE3AT (B)
XP1A via OZ1ACB (B)
XQ7UP via (B), (L)
XV2RZ via OH4MDY (B)
XW3DT (d)
YB8Y via (B), LoTW.
YP3A via YO3ND
YY1OKR (d)
Z21DKJ via EA4DKJ eQSL
Z21LV (d), no IRC
ZD7XF via G3TXF (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

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From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120314043112.328BB23E0D@bmail.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The Russian DX Contest is rapidly becoming a popular spring-time DX
contest and counts for WRTC scoring points, too. Then on the month's
last weekend, put your call on the air as a sought-after prefix in the
CQ WPX SSB contest! You can also work on your WAS by chasing the OK,
VA, and ND QSO Parties.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

No discombobulations were reported in the previous issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

March 17-18

- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Mar 14)
- Feld-Hell St Patrick's Day Sprint
- 10-10 Mobile QSO Party
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- BARTG HF RTTY Contest
- CQIR - Ireland Calling
- Russian DX Contest
- Oklahoma QSO Party
- Virginia QSO Party
- North Dakota QSO Party
- Run For the Bacon--CW

March 24-25

- CLARA and Family HF Contest (Mar 20)
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Mar 22)
- CQ WPX SSB Contest

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The threes are cleaning up in operating events lately and I don't mean Maryland-DC, Pennsylvania, and Delaware. The ARRL Triple Play award <http://www.arrl.org/triple-play> and other multi-mode contests have now been followed by the World Wide Iron Ham Contest <http://www.araucariadx.com/ih/> from Brazil and the Greek Triathlon DX Contest <http://triathlon-dx-contest.blogspot.com/>. Limber up the fingers to type, squeeze, and send in all three modes! (Thanks, Kostas SV1DPI and Oms PY5EG)

The 16th Annual SVHFS Conference <http://www.svhfs.org/conference.html> will be held on April 20-21 in Charlotte, NC. There will be an antenna gain "shootout" and a noise figure test on Friday. ARRL President, Kay Craigie N3KN will be the featured speaker on Friday. There are plenty of technical and operating presentations, commercial vendors, plus a flea market on Friday evening. The Saturday banquet keynote speaker will be Nobel laureate Joe Taylor K1JT. (Thanks, Jim W4KXY)

Many clubs are looking for ways to help their newly-licensed members become active and learn HF operating skills. The upcoming ARRL Rookie Roundup <http://arrl.org/rookie-roundup> (April 15th) has added the Multioperator category along with Team competition to help clubs do just that. Set up an all-day operating event, activate the club station, arrange for an open house - whatever is best for your club. Challenge another local club for bragging rights - competition is fun! As an extra bonus, you'll be training and recruiting a crop of brand-new Field Day operators, too!

The tongue-in-cheek suggestion by Guy N7ZG of using the Q signal QTK to tell a pileup of spot-clickers to spread out got a lot of interest. I found, however, that QTK is actually a real Q-signal and means "What is the speed of your aircraft in relation to the surface of the Earth?" (Upon which I naturally wondered, "Laden or unladen?" but I digress...) Doing a little research on Q codes <http://www.kloth.net/radio/qcodes.php>, I found the far better amateur net operations Q signal, QNY, which means "Shift to another frequency". Seriously - why not use QNY to mean "spread out"? Even if no one knows

exactly what it means, it will confuse enough of the stations to let you work a few of the remaining callers.

K5RQ eloquently compared ham radio to Facebook as the "original social network" in this Sarasota SRQ article <http://www.srqmagazine.com/JMailer/SRQDailyV2LeftContent.cfm?conID=4554&masID=2748>. Come to think of it, QSLing is a lot like collecting friends! (Thanks, Dan K1TO)

Richard Krajewski WB2CRD authors a regular blog for EE Times called "The Noble Profession <http://www.eetimes.com/electronics-blogs/4211400/The-Noble-Profession>". Recently, he penned the article "Who Needs Career Fairs When We Have Best Buy? <http://www.eetimes.com/electronics-blogs/pop-blog/4237093/Who-needs-career-fairs-when-we-have-Best-Buy->" that takes a look at how kids get interested in technology. His key point is that you give them access and let them play with it!

I wonder if this speech-squashing gun <http://www.physorg.com/news/2012-03-speechjammer-gun-quash-human-utterances.html> would work on an out-of-control pileup? (Thanks, Tom K1KI)

Contest logging for the blind is a lot easier if they can use software that is friendly to screen reader programs such as JAWS <http://www.freedomscientific.com/products/fs/jaws-product-page.asp>. One such program is White Stick Log <http://www.easilog.co.uk/whitestick.htm> from the UK. (Thanks, Mike NF4L)

This nice note was received by Tim K3LR after the ARRL DX Phone contest, "hi my name is jake or m6jbr i made contact with you today at 6:55 GMT and i thought that i would give you a bit more info i am 14 i have been licenced since september 2011 you are the 3rd hf contact and i was using a ts 440s from the south west of england a place called bristol nice talking to you 73s" Welcome to the world of HF radiosport, Jake! It's good to see enthusiastic operating from our newest hams.

Pete N4ZR writes in to let us know of an updated article on the Reverse Beacon Network (RBN) website called "What Does a Flare Look Like? <http://reversebeacon.blogspot.com/2012/03/what-does-fglare-look-like.html>". While you're there, you might also be interested in the article on the listings of RBN stations and use the Options menu to display a real-time map of stations the RBN is hearing. It's so fascinating that you need to remember to get on the air, too!

NOAA has released a test version of Ovation <http://helios.swpc.noaa.gov/ovation/> - a new space weather product that provides a real-time estimate of the auroral intensity, including that of the aurora australis at the South Pole. The program also shows where the aurora is expected to be visible. This was an interesting

site over the past week as major flares and coronal mass ejections (CMEs) were occurring. (Thanks, John N2NC)

NASA invites you watch the 2012 Exploring Space Lectures held at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. live on the web:

- Big Bang for the Buck: Cosmology from WMAP <http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventDetail.cfm?eventID=3725> (March 22)
- The Little Satellite That Could <http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventDetail.cfm?eventID=3726> (April 11)
- Gamma Ray Bursts and the Birth of Black Holes <http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventDetail.cfm?eventID=3727> (May 16)
- Seeking Planets Like Earth <http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventDetail.cfm?eventID=3728> (June 5)

(From the AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> ANS-071 bulletin)

VHF+ DXers may be interested in this article on the new Sub-millimeter Array <http://www.cfa.harvard.edu/sma/> of radio telescopes atop Mauna Kea in Hawaii. The array is the most accurately guided RF antenna in the world and receives 180 through 700 GHz with a beam width of less than one arc-second. No gain figures are reported but I imagine there are a lot of zeroes involved. (Thanks, Jeremy W7EME)

Can the astronauts on the ISS see you shining a light at them? The AMSAT ANS-071 bulletin reports that "On March 4, about 65 amateur astronomers were in position at the Lazano Observatory in Springbranch Texas (near San Antonio). They turned on searchlights and waited as the ISS was set to make an appearance in the sky. Astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT had no trouble seeing the flashes." Watch the video <http://tinyurl.com/ISS-Flash> and take a look at this light-frequency QSO.

Legendary DXpeditioner and keen CW operator Ron Wright ZL1AMO died last week at the age of 75. Ron put many Pacific multipliers in many logs - in and out of contests. A cab driver who enjoyed sharing his holidays with all of us, Ron's last expedition was to Fiji in 2002. (Thanks, Jess W6LEN)

Another giant was added to the list of Silent Keys, as well, as John Thompson W1BIH died in the month of his 97th birthday. John took to the air from Curacao as PJ9JT in the 1970s and was the first to construct a large contest station on the Dutch islands off the northern coast of South America. His signals were legendary and so were the scores from the station you now know as PJ2T. (Thanks, Jack W1WEF)

Web Site of the Week - Happy Pi Day <http://www.piday.org/>! (3.14) Have an irrationally transcendent day!

WORD TO THE WISE

Checklog - if you realize you've operated in some way that makes you ineligible to participate in the contest, submit your log as a

checklog. That's an option in the Cabrillo format - place the line CATEGORY-OPERATOR: CHECKLOG in the log file's header section. That way, your contacts can still be used for log checking and the sponsors appreciate that.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The Northern California Contest Club (NCCC) has published a video <http://nccc.cc/misc/HFTA.wmv> of program author Dean N6BV giving tips on using his HFTA terrain analysis program. (Thanks, Jim K9YC)

Take a look at a great YouTube video on the RZ9OZO family club station <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qubu0t-J7F4&feature=results_video&lr=1&ob=0> and some amazing 4 and 6-year-old operators. You want young operators? Here they are! (Thanks, Yuri VE3DZ)

While you're enthusing about the new operators appearing on the air, Mauro PP5MCB just posted this video of 13-year-old Vitor, PU5DCB <http://www.youtube.com/user/pp5mcbpp5mcb/videos> operating in the ARRL DX Phone contest. Vitor was operating in the Single-band, 15 meter category.

The N1MM Logger Overview Webinar has been posted on the Potomac Valley Radio Club <http://www.pvrc.org/> (PVRC) website under the "Recorded Webinars" link. As a reminder, Part 2, Multi-Op & Digital Contesting is also available. PVRC President, Ken K4ZW also wishes to thank Pete N4ZR, Rich VE3KI, Steve N2IC, and Larry K8UT for putting together this series of presentations.

How tall is your tower? Not as tall as the Tokyo Sky Tree <http://news.cnet.com/8301-17938_105-57388126-1/japan-builds-tokyo-sky-tree-worlds-tallest-tower/>
- the world's tallest free-standing broadcast tower!

Here's what a solar flare sounds like - the M8-class flare that hit Earth on March 10th was captured in this audio recording of the blast <http://spaceweather.com/images2012/10mar12/m8.mp3?PHPSESSID=fgqd0hlg48je589pr3bptsvcr5> by an amateur astronomer in New Mexico.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The results of the 2011 Ohio QSO Party are now available at the Ohio QSO Party web site <http://www.ohqp.org/>. (Thanks, Jim K8MR, OhQP Chairman)

Sponsor, Rick K6VVA reports that the 2012 Locust QSO Party (LQP) final results <http://www.k6vva.com/lqp> have been posted and include a first-ever surprise 3-way tie in one category, a special poem offering by N6ZFO, and a few other unusual Soapbox Comments this year.

OPERATING TIP

A reminder - asking to be spotted is considered "self-spotting" and is specifically not allowed in nearly all contests.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Pink or White? No, we're not talking about your dinner wine selection,
we're talking about noise. What do all those different names for noise
mean? Find out in this Electronic Design article
<http://electronicdesign.com/article/analog-and-mixed-signal/understanding-noise-terms-in-electronic-circuits>
that summarizes the terminology - pass the popcorn noise, please!

The documentation on K2AV's Folded Counterpoise Antenna (FCA)
<http://www.w0uce.net/K2AVantennas.html> contain a lot of good
information. Take a look around the W0UCE web site for more!

Pres N6SS reports how he discourages nibbling of his "Beverage On
Ground (BOG)" wires by the local rodentia: "BOGs here are made from #14
stranded insulated house wire...before rolling (them) out at the start
of each low band season the reel is submerged for a week in a tub of
diesel fuel mixed with a bag of chili powder. This procedure renders
the wire far less tasty to Arizona critters. In 15 years not a single
'chew thru' has occured."

Jim W6RMK reports that the IEEE/ANSI RF safety standard, C95.1-2005
<http://standards.ieee.org/findstds/standard/C95.1-2005.html>, can now
be downloaded for free now. OET Bulletin 65 is the usual amateur
reference and a good summary but you can also download the actual
standard now.

If you would like to see what a real college Electrical Engineering
course is like these days and have the necessary math background, MIT
is making their course 6.002x (Circuits and Electronics)
<https://6002x.mitx.mit.edu/> available. Circuits and Electronics is a
first course and is in the core of department subjects required for all
undergraduates in EECS (Electrical Engineering and Computer Science).
(Thanks, Steve N2IC)

Everybody has encountered the dreaded Philips-head slots worn down to
the point where a screwdriver can't grip enough to turn the screw. This
Apartment Therapy article
<http://www.apartmenttherapy.com/how-to-remove-a-stripped-screw-1-107582>
has a good idea - use a rubber band!

If you deal with electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) testing or
certification, you'll encounter tests that require a Line Impedance
Stabilization Network (LISN)
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Line_Impedance_Stabilization_Network>.
This fixture enables a device to operate from ac power while test
equipment measures emissions from the device conducted on the power
conductors. (Thanks, Kurt KD7JYK)

Scope probes are explored in the article "Probing Pointers
<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/cmp/esd0312/#/36>" by Jack Ganssle
N3ALO in the March 2012 issue of Embedded System Design.

Here's a great antenna and tower tip from a veteran of many skyhook projects - "Always drill U-bolt holes two drill sizes (that's two-64ths) bigger than the actual size of the U-bolt. Got a 3/8"-stock U-bolt? Make the holes 13/32-inch. Be happy up there." (Thanks, Glenn K6NA)

Mitch DJ0QN discovered this handy db-and-watts calculator <http://www.rohde-schwarz.de/de/service_support/downloads/application_notes?discontinued=all&type=20&downid=5499> on-line from Rohde & Schwarz. It also handles voltage conversions and VSWR-return loss, among other things. No need now to convert units back and forth when making a combined calculation.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Al AB2ZY reports success in using Scheme-It, a new web-based schematic capture tool <http://electronicdesign.com/article/eda/Still-Drawing-Circuits-On-A-Napkin-Consider-Using-Scheme-it-A-Web-Based-Schematic-Capture-Tool-Instead.aspx?cid=ed_newsletter&NL=1&YM_RID=akozak@fortitech.com> hosted by Digi-Key. The tool also compiles a Bill of Materials (BOM) and the results are shareable across the web. As the article points out, this will probably save a few napkins and tablecloths - since the service can be accessed by a web browser wherever you are, including a restaurant or coffeehouse!

==> CONVERSATION

Two Score and More

After I got home from operating at K3LR in the ARRL CW contest I remembered that February of 1972 was the month I received my FCC license after having passed the Novice test in late December - it took a long time to get the paperwork through back then.

My first glimpse of a call sign (WN0GQP) came, interestingly, on the mailing label of an envelope from The Little Print Shop - the dominant QSL printer in those days. They had access to the FCC database and were no doubt contacting every new Novice as soon as the call was assigned. I remember looking at the envelope thinking, "Who is WN0GQP?" before realizing that was MY CALL! Then I had to wait a few more days for the actual license to arrive - a very long wait, I remember.

So when I got back home after the contest, I decided to take a look and see just when I finally did get on the air four decades ago - I still have the QSL from my first contact with WB5FXC so I sent him a QSL yesterday, commemorating that first contact. The QSO took place on the 16th of February - just one day before my annual flight to Pittsburgh this year. It is truly great to have spent my 40th anniversary of ham radio manning the 15 meter position with K1DG and sharing the weekend with the team. I couldn't have written a better script!

In relating this to the K3LR team, we happily discovered there were five of us celebrating our 40th ham radio anniversaries: host Tim K3LR, 20 meter operator John VE3EJ, and the 80 meter team of Phil K3UA and

Dave K5GN. It must have been something in the 1971 air!

As I considered those 40 years, I started thinking about the events and equipment and other memories along the way. Although some of them had been captured in my station log on paper - these days I log on computer and rarely add the kind of notes so common when entries were in pencil or pen. John K1AR gave me a good idea - to start an open file to capture some of these moments before I forget them.

Sure enough, once I began typing in milestones, memories started popping out of the dusty trunks in my mental attic and I could barely type fast enough. Now each time I open the file, more appear as if they had been waiting for me to call them up. My rate has been terrific!

Start noting what makes ham radio exciting and enjoyable today - even if you just got your ticket last week. All you have to do is open a simple text file or a notebook and start recording. Don't wait two score and more!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

14 March through 27 March 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Mar 14, 1100Z. Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Feld-Hell St Patrick's Day Sprint--Digital, from Mar 17, 12 PM (local) to Mar 17, 2 PM. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

10-10 Mobile QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Mar 17, 0001Z to Mar 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, county & S/P/C, 10-10 number. Logs due: Mar 31. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

BARTG HF RTTY Contest--Digital, from Mar 17, 0200Z to Mar 19, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: 3-digit serial and 4-digit time. Logs due: May 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/>

CQIR - Ireland Calling--Phone, CW, from Mar 17, 1200Z to Mar 18, 1159Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial and county code. Logs due: Apr 15. Rules <http://www.irts.ie/>

Russian DX Contest--Phone, CW, from Mar 17, 1200Z to Mar 18, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or oblast abbr. Logs due: See web. Rules <http://www.rdxc.org/>

Oklahoma QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Mar 17, 1300Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50, Frequencies: CW 35 kHz above band edge; Phone 3.860, 7.195, 14260, 21.335, 28.470, 50.130 MHz. Exchange: RS(T) and OK county or S/P/"DX". Logs due: Apr 30. Rules <http://www.k5cm.com/okqp.htm>

Virginia QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Mar 17, 1400Z to Mar 18, 0200Z and Mar 18, 1200Z to Mar 18, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440. Frequencies: CW 1.805, 50 kHz+ band edge; Phone 1.845,3.86,7.26,14.27,21.37,28.37; 50.130, calling frequencies on 144/220/440. Exchange: Serial and VA county/city or S/P/C. Logs due: Apr 15. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/sterling>

North Dakota QSO Party--Phone, CW, from Mar 17, 1800Z to Mar 18, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RST and ND county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 15. Rules <http://www.w0nd.com/>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Mar 18, 0200Z to Mar 18, 0400Z. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

CLARA and Family HF Contest--Phone, CW, from Mar 20, 1700Z, Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW 3.688, 7.033, 14.033, 21.033; Phone 3.750, 3.900, 7.033, 7.200, 14.120-130, 14.288, 21.288, 28.488 MHz . Exchange: RS(T), name, QTH, and CLARA. Logs due: Apr 15. Rules <http://www.claranet.ca/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Mar 22, 0030Z to Mar 22, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CQ WPX SSB Contest--Phone, from Mar 24, 0000Z to Mar 25, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: Apr 18. Rules <http://www.cqwpx.com/logcheck>

VHF+ CONTESTS

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Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RST and ND county or S/P/C. Logs
due: May 15. Rules <http://www.w0nd.com/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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- March 14, 2012 UBA DX Contest, CW
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/uba-dx-contest-rules>
- March 15, 2012 Louisiana QSO Party
<http://www.qsl.net/kd5wdy/LAQSO_/laqso_.html>
- March 15, 2012 Minnesota QSO Party
<http://www.w0aa.org/media/documents/mnqp/MNQP%20Contest%20Rules.pdf>
- March 15, 2012 AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests:Semi_Automatic_Key_evening>
- March 15, 2012 NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
<http://naqcc-eu.org/SprintHelp/SprintRules.pdf>
- March 17, 2012 North American Sprint, RTTY
<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>
- March 18, 2012 SKCC Weekend Sprintathon
<http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/>
- March 18, 2012 YL-ISSB QSO Party
<http://www.ylsystem.org/qsoparty/qsodates.htm>
- March 18, 2012 High Speed Club CW Contest
<http://www.highspeedclub.org/>
- March 19, 2012 AWA Amplitude Modulation QSO Party
<http://www.antiquewireless.org/hamevents2010.htm>
- March 19, 2012 ARRL School Club Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>
- March 19, 2012 DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teiln
ahmebedingungen/>
- March 20, 2012 ARRL International DX Contest, CW
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>
- March 24, 2012 QRP ARCI HF Grid Square Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8392/118/>
- March 25, 2012 UBA Spring Contest, CW
<http://www.uba.be/hf/contest-rules/spring-contest>
- March 27, 2012 REF Contest, SSB
<http://concours.ref-union.org/reglements/actuels/reg_cdfhf_fr.pdf>

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326. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event Station listing - 2012-03-14

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-14 07:10:22 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F6043C7.4010202@rac.ca>
Source record: 3493
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Special Event Station listing - 2012-03-14
2012-03-14

Special Event Station CG7CWPC

CG7CWPC 2012-06-15 2012-07-15 100th Anniversary of the C. W. Parker Carousel at the Burnaby Village Museum

Contact Eric Stapleton VE7EES at ve7ees@rac.ca or see the Burnaby Amateur Radio Club website for more information

http://www.ve7bar.org/

73,
Eric Stapleton VE7EES

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Special Event Station N6G

I will be hosting a Special Event to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge. If possible, could you include this event in your publication or web page to your membership? Following are the details of the event. N6G is also searchable on QRZ.com.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation,

73,

Will Pattullo, AE6YB

N6G
SPECIAL EVENT FOR THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPENING OF THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE EVENT DETAILS:
MAY 26 AND 27, 2012 - FREQS: 21.265, 14.265 AND 7.265 +/- QRM (ALSO POSSIBLY 10 AND 80 METERS ADDED)
QSL INFORMATION:
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QSL DIRECT TO: *******AE6YB*******

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Triathlon DX Contest announcement

It all started in August of 2011. That was about when it occurred to Mike, SV5BYR that a big Greek Contest was missing from international

Ham Radio Contest Calendar. By the end of September this idea became mature and so the "Triathlon" was born! A triathlon is a multi- sport event involving the completion of three continuous and sequential endurance events. And as you have already guessed, it is a Greek word. We had to change a bit the name to Triathlon DX Contest to match our activity.

Actually, trying here to simulate the original Triathlon athletic event, we involved three major ham radio modes, SSB, CW and RTTY. It will be a 24 hour non-stop event divided in three sections, each one devoted to a different mode. There are some tentative rules of the contest that you can take a look. It will take place on Saturday, the 1st full weekend of February, debuting on 02-02-2013.

After all, what makes this particular contest unique is the special gift for the winner! (take a look to the prize page)

In this point we have to mention all the Greek amateurs who are working to make this event alive: SV1DPI, SV1NK, SV2AGW, SV2DCD, SV5BYR, SV7JAR, SV8CS, SV8RX, SV9GPV, SV9DJO. There is still a lot of work to be done and more details to be announced. Stay tuned!

Mike E. Balaskas, SV5BYR

MORE here: http://triathlon-dx-contest.blogspot.com

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327. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 14 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-14 11:06:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340b3dfd482704bb31f6ea@google.com>
Source record: 3494
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact with Liberty Junior High School, Burbank,
IL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Peb7t0YK0TA/ariss_event_1403.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at Liberty Junior High School, Burbank,
IL on 14 March

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New Satellite Frequency Coordination Request Form

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4Fxx-52rOWM/new_satellite_frequency_coordination_request_form.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

IARU Satellite Advisor Hans van de Groenendaal ZS6AKV has made available a
new version of the Amateur Satellite Frequency Coordination request form

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AMSAT-UK Satellite Talk at Telford

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q5o_m_EXpAM/amsat_uk_satellite_talk_at_telford.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paul Robinson 2E1EUB will be guest speaker at the Telford and District
Amateur Radio Society (TDARS) on Wednesday, March 21, where he will give a
talk about amateur radio satellites

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oIXmuTXz8Tk/march_14.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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SQ7DQX Moonbounce Videos

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QYHe8D1iUxA/sq7dqx_moonbounce_videos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mateusz Pigon SQ7DQX has released a couple of videos showing
Earth-Moon-Earth contacts on 144 MHz

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Antenna Pictures

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3wWSQgbO6-c/antenna_pictures.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An impressive collection of antenna pictures can be found on the Ham Radio
Antennas Facebook page

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EUROPE Award Honor Roll lists a new record

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cWpQoaN0g6k/honor_roll_new_record.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hajo Weigand, DJ9MH, has set up a new record in the Honor Roll of the
EUROPE Award with 2110 points

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DXCC News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_nfMukXInXc/dxcc_news_1403.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports on the latest
operations to be approved for DXCC credit

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Incoming CME

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VrUInt8Q1gE/incoming_cme.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sunspot AR1429 unleashed another strong flare (category M7.9) on March 13th

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Climbing a guyed antenna tower

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/73qsfbSqmDs/climbing_a_guyed_antenna_tower.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A YouTube video shows the climb of a 350 foot (107 meter) guyed antenna mast

328. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 14 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-14 16:33:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407c18f0ff304bb368922@google.com>
Source record: 3495
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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OJ0VM OJ0MC Market Reef

Posted: 14 Mar 2012 06:56 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338018-OJ0VM-OJ0MC-Market-Reef&goto=newpost

OH6VM and OH6MC will be active from Market Reef until end of March 2012 as
OJ0VM and OJ0MC

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...c_market-reef/

73 Al 4L5A

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--- 95me Anniversaire Bataille d'ARRAS du 09 Avril 1917 ---

Posted: 14 Mar 2012 03:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338005-95me-Anniversaire-Bataille-d-ARRAS-du-09-Avril
-1917&goto=newpost

95ème Anniversaire de la Bataille d'Arras (9 Avril 2012)

Il y aura précisément 95 ans en ce lundi
9 avril à 5h30 (heure anglaise) que 24000 soldats
britanniques ont surgi par surprise des entrailles de la
ville pour livrer la fameuse Bataille d'Arras. Il
s'agissait là d'une impressionnante opération de diversion
menée par les Alliés quelques jours avant la grande
attaque française du Chemin des Dames dans l'Aisne.
Plusieurs manifestations célébreront cet événement
historique. A commencer par une cérémonie à 6h30 (heure
française) sur le site de la Carrière Wellington, dont les
galeries médiévales d'extraction de craie, reliées entre
elles pendant la Première Guerre mondiale par les
tunneliers néo-zélandais, servirent de caserne souterraine
durant les semaines qui précédèrent l'offensive.

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VA QSO Party 17-18 March

Posted: 13 Mar 2012 06:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337966-VA-QSO-Party-17-18-March&goto=newpost

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Saturday, 17 March 1400 UTC - Sunday, 18 March 0200 UTC and Sunday, 18 March 1200 UTC - 2400 UTC.

(For Virginians this is Saturday 10 AM - 10 PM and Sunday 8 AM - 8 PM Virginia local time.)

http://www.qsl.net/sterling/VA_QSO_P...VQP_Rules.html

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TO5K FM/RC0F Martinique Island

Posted: 13 Mar 2012 11:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337912-TO5K-FM-RC0F-Martinique-Island&goto=newpost

RC0F will be active from Martinique Island 20-28 March 2012 as FM/RC0F

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...inique-island/

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XU7NPC XU7DDD Cambodia

Posted: 13 Mar 2012 10:13 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337895-XU7NPC-XU7DDD-Cambodia&goto=newpost

JA7LU and JA2VWG will be active from Cambodia 22-26 March 2012 as XU7NPC and XU7DDD

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...amloem-island/

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329. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 14 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-14 17:02:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2352f597712d04bb36efbd@google.com>
Source record: 3496
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-071 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337871-ANS-071-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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March 11, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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Howard Long, G6LVB featured speaker at the 2012 AMSAT/TAPR Banquet

The AMSAT/TAPR Banquet on Friday night, May 18 is one of the main AMSAT activities during the 2012 Hamvention at Dayton.

AMSAT is pleased to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured speaker for the evening event. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle, the 64 - 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver. This innovative USB device is the size of a thumbdrive and has an SMA antenna socket. Multiple SDR control and display software programs can

be used with the FUNcube Dongle.

Banquet tickets will not be sold at the AMSAT booth during the Hamvention so reservations must be made through the AMSAT Store: http://www.amsat-na.com/store/item.php?id=100158 Tickets are $30 apiece.

Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...012/Dayton.php for the latest AMSAT at Dayton news and developments

[ANS thanks Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

AMSAT-NA Receives US Space Command Authorization for Keps Distribution

AMSAT's Keeper of the Keps, Ray Hoad, WA5QGD wrote, "I am pleased to announce that AMSAT's request to re-distribute AFSPC Keplerian elements from SpaceTrack has been approved for the period April 1, 2012 to April 1, 2013. Our USSTRATCOM ODR (Orbital Data Request) to distribute the KEPs was approved on March 1, 2012. We are "good to go" for another year."

Thanks to the US Air Force Space Command, Perry Klein, W3PK and Paul Williamson, KB5MU for their help in this process.

[ANS thanks Ray Hoad, WA5QGD for the above information]

AMSAT-UK Announces Colloquium 2012 & Issues First Call for Speakers

The AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium will be held on September 14-16, 2012.

The colloquium attracts an international audience from across Europe as well as North America and the Middle East. Attendees range from the builders of the CubeSats and Nanosats, those who communicate through them and beginners who wish to find out more about this fascinating branch of

the hobby.

It provides a rare opportunity to chat with satellite designers and builders, discussions frequently continue until the early hours of the morning.

A Gala dinner is held on the Saturday evening along with the fund raising auction.

AMSAT-UK invite speakers, about amateur radio space and associated activities, for this event. They are also invited to submit papers for the ☐Proceedings☐ document which will be published at the same time but printed papers are not mandatory. We normally prefer authors to present talks themselves rather than having someone else give them in the authors☐ absence. We also welcome ☐unpresented☐ papers for the Proceedings document.

FIRST CALL FOR SPEAKERS

This is the first call for speakers for the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium 2012 which, due to the Olympic & Paralympic Games, will be held this year on the weekend of September 15-16, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ, United Kingdom.

This Colloquium will take place a few weeks before the planned launch of AMSAT-UK☐s FUNcube-1 satellite carrying a 435/145 MHz linear transponder for SSB/CW communications.

AMSAT-UK invites speakers, to cover topics about micro-satellites, CubeSats, Nanosats, space and associated activities, for this event.

They are also invited to submit papers for subsequent publishing onthe AMSAT-UK web site. We normally prefer authors to present talks themselves rather than having someone else give them in the authors☐ absence. We also welcome ☐unpresented☐ papers for the web site.

We appreciate that it is not always possible to give a firm indication of attendance at this stage but expressions of interest would be appreciated.

Submissions should be sent *ONLY* to G4DPZ, via the following routes:

e-mail: david dot johnson at blackpepper dot co dot uk

Postal address at http://www.qrz.com/db/G4DPZ

AMSAT-UK also invite anyone with requests for Program Topics to submit them as soon as possible to G4DPZ. Invitations for any papers on specific subjects will be included in the future call. Likewise if anyone knows of a good speaker, please send contact and other information to G4DPZ.

[ANS thanks Dave Johnson, G4DPZ and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

New Satellite Group Formed in Cuba

Hector Martinez, CO6CBF reports that the Cuban Amateur Radio Federation (FRC) has created its first official Satellite Group.

Hector said that himself, Raydel CM2ESP, and Pavel CO7WT worked to form the group and made the request to the FRC headquarters. The request was approved on March 3, 2012. The official name is Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales (GROS).

The principal mission is to promote amateur radio by satellites in Cuba and motivate Cuban hams to operate on the satellites.

Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales is planning their first meeting in Havana City, Cuba.

[ANS thanks Hector Martinez, CO6CBF for the above information]

India VO-52 Satellite Recovery in Progress

Mani, VU2WMY, Secretary & Station-In-Charge at the Upagrah Amateur Radio Club VU2URC in India reported that on March 6 the ISRO Satellite Centre recovered operation and control of HAMSAT VO-52. This satellite had been heard during expected passes since February 28.

Mani wrote, "I can share at this moment is 'HAMSAT VO-52' is in 'Excellent Health' after recovery operations. Right now, it is under observation. The decision in regards to switching 'ON' the transponder is pending clearance from ISRO. This decision expected soon. The user community will be informed well in advance about the transponder switching."

ISRO Announces Plan to Turn on Dutch Transponder

On March 8, Mani, VU2WMY, reported that news had been received from Mr. T. Parimalarangan, HAMSAT VO-52 Operations Director at ISTRAC/ISRO that, "After 'In-Orbit Maintenance Operations' the decision to turn 'ON' Transponder No 2 i.e. The Dutch Transponder made by William Leijenaar PE1RAH on March 8 during orbit # 37006 over India."

Dutch Transponder Activation on Hold for One Week

Unfortunately, we are sorry to inform that the 'Expert Committee' overseeing the VO-52 (HAMSAT) performance has advised to extend the 'Observation Period' by an other week.

Hence, the decision to switch on the transponder # 2 is now put 'ON HOLD' till further notice. Inconvenience caused to the users is regretted.

This latest decision is just only a postponement and nothing to worry about the health of the spacecraft. W re-assure you all that VO-52 is very strong and in a 'Perfect Health' condition.

Once the Dutch transponder is switched on it will use the following frequencies:

Uplink frequency: 435.250 MHz

Downlink frequency: 145.900 MHz

Beacon: CW at 145.859330 MHz (145.86 MHz)

Output level of Beacon Carrier: 18 dBm

ISRO invites a 'Critical Comparative Signal Report' between the Indian and Dutch transponder would be of great help for further evaluations and necessary actions for the maintenance the transponder in good and healthy condition for better services and also, the inputs would be very valuable to the respective transponder designers. Please send your feedback to tprangan@istrac.org.

Summaries from stations monitoring for VO-52 can be entered and viewed on the Live OSCAR Satellite Status Page: http://oscar.dcarr.org/

[ANS thanks Mani, VU2WMY, Secretary & Station-In-Charge at the Upagrah Amateur Radio Club for the above information]

March 17 for AMSAT-LU Balloon Test Flight of LUSEX Satellite Systems

AMSAT-Argentina announced they are planning to test systems of the LU Satellite EXperiment (LUSEX) satellite during a high altitude balloon flight up to 100,000 feet. This is scheduled for March 17 at 1500 UTC. Direct reception of the balloon flight is estimated to extend to 400 miles from the City of Junin, west of Buenos Aires, Argentina. (See http://www.amsat.org.ar/junincubr.jpg for estimated coverage map.)

The payload will feature several radio and telemetry experiments:

Crossband FM Repeater

Uplink 435.950 MHz FM (123 Hz tone)

Downlink 145.950 MHz FM

SSTV Downlink 145.950 MHz FM

ROBOT-36 in real time, showing the view from the balloon every 5 minutes during ascent/descent, longer interval at high altitude. Video will also be recorded and recovered at the end of the flight.

APRS Data

APRS 1200 baud packet on 144.930 MHz, and 145.950 MHz.

Telemetry Downlink 145.950 MHz

If the crossband repeater is in use a warning bip at 40 seconds will indicate telemetry is coming, which is sent if the repeater is not in use. If the repeater continues to be busy then 2 bips will indicate APRS packets will be sent.

CW telemetry (modulated FM on 145.950 MHz)

Sent every 5 minutes with the following sequence: CQ LU7AA, sequence number, external and internal temperatures °C and battery voltage.

User Telecommand Experiment

The 435.950 up / 145.950 down crossband repeater will accept user DTMF command to return a signal report. Sending B* on the uplink will return S5 (average signal strength) or P10 (S9+10 signal strength) modulated CW tones

on the 145.950 MHz FM downlink.

APRS trajectory will update every minute, including speed, height, external and internal temperatures and 7.2v battery voltage. This can be monitored directly on 144.930 MHz for stations in range. It will also display at: http://aprs.fi/?call=lu7aa-11 . The APRS symbol will display as a balloon during ascent, and as a glider during parachute descent. The AMSAT-LU APRS Igate LU7AA-10 on 144.930 and 430.930 MHz will be active. Maps for UI-View APRS tracking can downloaded from http://www.amsat.org.ar.

Stations making a contact via the balloon payload may qualify for a certificate. See http://www.amsat.org.ar/certsat.html for details.

AMSAT-LU thanks the members of Radio Clubs of Junin, QRM Belgrano, APRS Group, Don Bosco Ramos Mejia School, gliders Clubs of Zarate, Junin and Cañuelas, and the twelve Amsat-LU members development team. Reports from radio amateurs during previous flights are appreciated and they look forward to your reports during the March 17 flight.

Photos and reports of prior flights can be viewed on-line at:

http://www.amsat.org.ar/lu4aao/exper..._parapente.htm

The LU Satellite EXperiment web page is at: http://lusex.org.ar

[ANS thanks AMSAT-LU for the above information]

KB8VCO and W8ZCF ARISSat-1 SSTV Contact Featured in the Press

The Cincinnati (Ohio) Press web featured a story about the successful SSTV contact via ARISSat-1 between Farrell Winder, W8ZCF and his son, Jeff Winder, KB8VCO.

The Winders teamed together and after many, many tries were successful in sending and receiving a picture of Farrell Winder's automobile license plate.

The Winders used two computers, two radios, and two rotatable outside antennas on towers to aim and to pinpoint the satellite antenna. Conditions were challenging as the satellite was traveling at 18,000 MPH at an altitude of 225 miles, which provided a window of opportunity of only up to about nine minutes while its footprint was passing within

range of Cincinnati.

The successful end result was a lot of hard-earned fun and excitement to work with very small signals from □outer space□ and overcome the setback caused by the missing antenna on ARISSat-1.

The picture the Winders sent and received is apparently one of the only complete pictures sent and received. Two other operators tried a similar undertaking, but received just portions of pictures.

Since ARISSat-1 had no propulsion system to sustain altitude it entered the Earth's atmosphere on Jan. 4, 2012 and disintegrated.

The story can be read on-line at: http://tinyurl.com/ARISSat-Cincinnati

[ANS thanks Farrell Winder, W8ZCF and Jeff Winder, KB8VCO for the above information]

Echolink Satellite Nets Launched

New Echolink SAT-CHAT Net

Vince Waelti, K9TSU has established a new, open net, the "Sat-Chat" on the *AMSAT* server on EchoLink. This net meets at 1900 Central US Time (UTC-5) every Saturday evening. Everyone is invited to check in. Also links to -L and -R systems for on-air repeater coverage are welcome. Vince can be reached at k9tsu(at)hotmail(dot)com if you have

any questions.

Hudson Valley SatCom Net on Echolink

Stu Ballinger, WA2BSS says the next Hudson Valley SatCom net will meet on-air (146.97 MHz. Mt. Beacon Repeater) and on the Echolink node N2EYH-L on March 15 at 2000 Eastern US time (UTC-4).

Houston AMSAT Net on Echolink

The Houston AMSAT Net meets on the Echolink *AMSAT* server every Tuesday evening at 2000 Central US Time (UTC-5). Checkin to the net is taken via Echolink if you are not in radio range of Houston.

[ANS thanks Vince Waelti, K9TSU; Stu Ballinger, WA2BSS; and Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

+ Watch the CQ Magazine Newsroom (http://www.cqnewsroom.blogspot.com/) for more coverage of amateur radio in space. Recent coverage on CQ's Newsroom blog included:

NASA to Launch Fox-1 Cubesat: http://tinyurl.com/CQBlog-Fox (cqnewsroom.blogspot.com)

Vega Rocket Launches Nine Satellites: http://tinyurl.com/CQBlog-Vega (cqnewsroom.blogspot.com)

+ Watch AMSAT's Lou McFadin, W5DID interview on HamRadioNow by Gary Pearce, KN4AQ on Southgate ARC's web: http://tinyurl.com/LouMcFadin Lou describes the features of the ARISSat-1 satellite, using the operational model at the AMSAT booth at the Orlando HamCation.

+ Paul, 2E1EUB says his next mobile satellite operations as 2M1EUB from his van will be starting March 24 for 7 days from the east coast of Scotland. Main operations are planned for AO-7 Mode A/B and other satellites as available. Paul will post his latest information on amsat-bb and also on the lookup at QRZ.com for 2M1EUB.

+ This is a reminder to consider making your donation to help AMSAT-UK build the FUNcube Project, an amateur radio satellite that features a 435

to 145 MHz Linear Transponder for SSB/CW operation. the Virgin Giving charity donation website http://tinyurl.com/funcubegiving/ A donation link is also at http://www.uk.amsat.org/.

+ DQ0STRATEX is a special event call on the occasion of the stratospheric balloon project (StratexB) planned for March 2012 by the local DARC clubs Duelmen (N28) and Luedinghausen (N29). They plan to fly an amateur radio load, consisting of an APRS beacon operating on 144.800 MHz and a FM speech beacon operating on 430.375 MHz to the stratosphere on March 24 around 1600 UTC from the airport at Borkenberge near Luedinghausen. Hams from the German Aerospace Center (DLR) in Bremen will also fly an experimental ADS-B receiver. DQ0STRATEX plans to be active on all bands and all modes between now and January 31, 2013.

+ If you ever wondered if the astronauts on the ISS could see you shining a light at them you'll get your answer here. On March 4, about 65 amateur astronomers were in position at the Lazano Observatory in Springbranch Texas (near San Antonio). They turned on searchlights and waited as the ISS was set to make an appearance in the sky. Astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT had no trouble seeing the flashes. Watch the video at: http://tinyurl.com/ISS-Flash (UniverseToday.com)

+ NASA invites you watch the 2012 Exploring Space Lectures held at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. live on the web:

Big Bang for the Buck: Cosmology from WMAP

March 22, 2012, at 8 p.m. EDT (UTC-4)

http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventD...m?eventID=3725.

The Little Satellite That Could

April 11, 2012, at 8 p.m. EDT (UTC-4)

http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventD...m?eventID=3726.

Gamma Ray Bursts and the Birth of Black Holes

May 16, 2012, at 8 p.m. EDT (UTC-4)

http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventD...m?eventID=3727.

Seeking Planets Like Earth

June 5, 2012, at 8 p.m. EDT (UTC-4)

http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/eventD...m?eventID=3728.

+ NASA announces the release of the ISSLive! app for iPhone, iPad and Andoid. This innovative, interactive app provides a novel way to learn about the International Space Station while on the go.

The ISS Live! app delivers live streaming data from the International Space Station. Users can take a virtual 3-D tour of the Mission Control Center and the space station, and view mission control console displays with

real-time data. Interactive educational lessons using the data, as well as crew and science timelines with individual crew member, social media and international science experiment details are also available via the app.

To learn more and find links to download the ISSLive! app, visit http://spacestationlive.jsc.nasa.gov where you will find the icons for the iPhone App Store and the Android Market. (iPad and iPhone are trademarks of Apple Inc., registered in the U.S. and other countries. Android is a registered trademark of Google Inc. - NASA Education Express Message -- March 8, 2012

+ Here is an interesting video with the caption, "Is this the best video footage ever of photos taken from the International Space Station? ISS astronaut and Expedition 29 commander Mike Fossum seems to think so." Fly over the earth at: http://www.universetoday.com/93828/t...er-you-decide/ The video is a series of time lapse photos of Earth at night as seen from the ISS.

+ The 16th Annual SVHFS Conference will be held in Charlotte, North Carolina April 20-21. In addition to the technical activities the conference will feature a keynote address by ARRL President, Kay Craigie, N3KN at lunch on Saturday. The banquet speaker will be 1993 Nobel Prize in Physics laureate Dr. Joe Taylor, K1JT. See http://www.svhfs.org/ for more details and to register.

+ March 13-22 marks the next GLOBE at Night sky survey for students and citizen scientists. Information how to participate, sky charts, and software applications can be found at: http://www.globeatnight.org.

+ Although the New Space Fence radar is still 5 years away from full operation Lockheed Martin has posted a cool video of the prototype at http://tinyurl.com/SpaceFence (youtube). UniverseToday has posted an article with more details and associated links at: http://tinyurl.com/UniverseTodayRadar (UniverseToday.com).

+ Check out the article written by a teenage ham, "How to Work the Amateur FM Satellites" by Vince Waelti, K9TSU, posted at: http://www.eham.net/articles/27718. Congratulations Vince on your publication.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Status Report March 5, 2012

1.School Contacts

Dilworth Elementary School in San Jose, California had an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Monday, March 5 at 18:33 UTC. The ARISS contact is part of a comprehensive education plan which will pique students' interest in Science Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held with ESA ESTEC in Noordwijk, Netherlands on Tuesday, March 6 at 13:11

UTC via station ON4ISS in Belgium. The radio activity is part of an educational program around André Kuipers' mission Spaceship Earth which targets children who are 10-14 years of age. Part of this program consists of mission assignments Kuipers gives to Dutch school children. The winners of each challenge will be invited to the radio contact. Other activities include lessons and experiments.

2. ESA Awards ARISS Contact to Winners of Competition

Students from three schools, the American School of the Hague, the International School of Amsterdam and the British School in the Netherlands, took part in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Monday, February 27 via station IK1SLD in Italy. This ARISS contact with astronaut André Kuipers was offered as a prize by the European Space Agency (ESA) to those schools who submitted the best suggestions for experiments or demonstrations that could be performed in microgravity on board the ISS using common everyday items. The youth were given lessons on radio signals and communications which involved local radio ham experts.

3. Atlanta, Georgia Youth Radio ISS Astronaut

On Friday, March 2, an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT on the ISS and Parkside Elementary School in Atlanta, Georgia. The radio link was provided by station K6DUE in Greenbelt, Maryland. Questions were asked concerning the education and training needed to become an astronaut and about how space affects one's appetite and sleep. The contact was part of a comprehensive education plan using NASA related activities to pique students' interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). Audio was carried live on the NASA TV hour. East Atlanta Patch posted an article on the contact.
http://eastatlanta.patch.com/article...#video-9240102

4. Pettit Chats with Greek Students via ARISS

Students attending the 5th Geniko Lykeio Katerinis in Katerini, Greece experienced a successful Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Friday, March 2. The youth spoke with Don Pettit about the experiments onboard the ISS and asked how he communicates with his family during his mission. The contact complemented lessons covering astronomy and amateur radio with special attention given to the ISS regarding its role in humanity and science, its orbit and the every day life of the astronaut. ISS courses were based on ESA's education tool "ISS Education Kit." Five hundred were in attendance and another hundred connected to the internet to view the streaming video. Media coverage included two television stations.

5. Amateur Radio Newsline Covers ARISS

On March 2, Amateur Radio Newsline report #1803 carried an article about the recent ARISS contact held during the John Glenn Event in Perth, Australia. The event celebrated the 50th anniversary of John Glenn's orbit

of the Earth, when the population of Perth turned on its lights and Glenn observed the city was visible from space, leading to Perth's nickname, "City of Lights." To view, "Ham Radio in Space: Amateur Radio Celebrates John Glenn over Perth Australia," see: http://www.arnewsline.org/storage/scripts/nsln1803.txt

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

And, with that please keep in mind that the Sun accounts for 99.8% of the Solar System's mass. 1,300,000 Earths could fit inside of the Sun. Jupiter is as big as the Sun's core. 1,300 Earth's could fit inside of Jupiter.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

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KG6YPI's "RemoteHams.com" Enhances Remote-Controlled Radio Capability

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 03:55 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337792-KG6YPI-s-quot-RemoteHams-com-quot-Enhances-Remote-Controlled-Radio-Capability&goto=newpost

Brandon Hansen, KG6YPI, continues to make significant improvement to his www.RemoteHams.com remote radio service with the addition of a custom client installed on a users computer. Remotehams.com offers Internet-controlled receivers and transceivers from around the world, including transmit capability. The custom client includes VoIP capability eliminating the need for a service such as Skype for audio. It also includes such features as visual level displays of both receiver and transmit audio, easy selection of audio sources, and simple adjustment of audio levels. The audio quality on such remotes as that offered by Scott, WA6LIE in Salinas, California is excellent.

Beyond these features Brandon has done a superb job of creating a very attractive, easy-to-use radio interface that makes using these radios both simple and fun. It even includes capability to send and receive CW. I use

WA6LIE's radio on a regular basis from my home and find that it is almost like having his Elecraft K3 right on my desk here in Hong Kong.

You can give the system a try by going to:

http://www.remotehams.com

73, Dan...VR2HF (K7DAN)

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Mobile operations at risk for Missouri Ham Radio Operators

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 11:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337756-Mobile-operations-at-risk-for-Missouri-Ham-Radio-Operators&goto=newpost

Norm Lampton, KC0FNA, the MO Section State Goverment Liasion has alerted Missouri ham radio operators of a bill that has been filed that if unmodified could make operating an Amateur Radio mobile a crime because of Missouri Senate Bill No. 717. Missouri state Senator Stouffer introduced this to the Missouri Senate. To summarize, his statement,

- This act creates the traffic offense of distracted driving. Under the terms of the act, a person commits the offense of distracted driving if the person, while operating a motor vehicle on the highways of this state:

(1) Fails to give full time and attention to the operation of the motor vehicle;

(2) Fails to maintain a proper lookout while operating a motor vehicle; or

(3) Engages in any other activity which causes the operator to be distracted from the primary mission of driving such motor vehicle.

A person who violates the provisions of the act shall be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor, unless an accident is involved then it shall be a Class A misdemeanor.

Using a mobile would be a violation of this act. In fact if you sneeze then wipe your nose you violate the act. It is directed at texting and cell phone use, but it is so overly broad that it catches almost anything that isn□t driving the car.

I am going to try to get this fixed but it would be of much help if we could alert the membership to contact their state senator and voice concerns.

Members can find their Senate and House members at this link

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Contact with the Senators is urgent but contact with House members would be helpful.

The ARRL has taken a position on distracted driving:

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On that page is a link to the President□s letter to the National Safety Council in July 2009 and the League□s policy statement on distracted driving:

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This info was brought to me via Larry's List

ARRL Reaction: Missouri Section Manager Dale C Bagley, K0KY k0ky@arrl.org

Bill info: ARRL Missouri Section State Government Liasion Norm Lampton, KC0FNA kc0fna@arrl.net

For Show Me Ham Radio, this is Joseph Andrews, KDØLOS reporting

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-14 22:25:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efb72a60dbd04bb3b745f@google.com>
Source record: 3497
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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York Radio Club and Fox Radio Relay League Participate in First Hamvention:

Posted: 13 Mar 2012 06:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27904

Elmhurst, IL -- The York Radio Club will host the first annual Hamvention at 8 p.m. March 16 at the Community Bank of Elmhurst. All local HAM radio operators and anyone interested are invited to come and find out more about what York Radio Club and Fox River Radio League do throughout the year.

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John 'Harvey' Chase, W4TG (SK):

Posted: 13 Mar 2012 06:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27903

Silent Key - The term given to a deceased amateur radio operator. The amateur radio hobby besides being science based enjoys something few other hobbies can boast... Meeting people from all over the world, even if it's seldom face to face. In the United States, there are just over 700K ham radio operators, twice that many in Japan. Every time I turn on my ham radio, I never know where or who I may talk to next. Besides the ability to communicate world wide, getting to know some of my fellow operators via the airwaves is much of the hobbies appeal to me. I think my speech is poor enough that frankly not a lot of people want visit with me... except when I'm talking though my amateur radio's "bug" or straight key. Normal speech for me is impossible, but using Morse code I'm pretty good, and that has allowed me the opportunity to get to know some of my fellow operators around the world. One such operator I was fortunate enough to work (communicate with) twice in the last year was Harvey - W4TG. Harvey died this week at the age of 96 in the heart of Georgia. Since I never actually spoke to Harvey, I expect he had a southern drawl... I mentally put one with the Morse code he sent. Harvey was a WWII vet. In fact, he was there where the war started for the USA on December 7, 1941. Harvey told me he couldn't believe the things he saw at Pearl Harbor that day... from the pictures and movie film I've seen of the attack, I can see why.

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Golden Gate Bridge -- Special Event:

Posted: 12 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27902

N6G, Special Event station, celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge. Event Details: May 26, 27 2012, 00:00 - 23:59, or later if needed. Phone only. Frequencies of 21.265, 14.265 and 7.265 +/- QRM. (Also possibly 10 and 80 meters added) QSL direct via AE6YB.

331. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-14 22:59:57 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201203142238.q2EMc537024729@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3498
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.01 - WEEK 11/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-03-14
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Aurora

The sun has be active last week and triggered some aurora's. QSO's
are reported in Europe at least as south as northern Hungary. MMMonVHF
is trying to make maps of aurora openings on 144 MHz in the same way
as we do for Sporadic E. However, creating reflectionmaps for aurora
is more tricky than for Sporadic E and the logs need to have a format
like:
14:03 PA4EME JO20WX 30 ; hh:mm call locator QTF
Please do not put more info in your reports. If you do we have to rewrite
your report to be able to use it.
There are a few logs on MMMonVHF from the aurora from last week. If you
made any QSO...please report them to MMMonVHF. Please don't forget to
add your antennabearing! It is possible that your QSO will in the reported
logs but you will not find them on the map. In that case the given QTF will
probable not fit into the great circle calculations and the given bearing
is not accurate enough.
Check http://mmmonvhf.de/au.php?year=2012&month=03&day=09

SOURCE: PA4EME on behalf of MMMonVHF

** Tropo over Northern Europe

After a long time there is finally some tropo to report. Northern Europe
is the place to be and QSO's are reported up to 1500 km from the United
Kingdom into Italy.

Check http://mmmonvhf.de/tr.php for details.

SOURCE: PA4EME on behalf of MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZP; 2M EME

After months of planning and weeks of work, Paraguay made it on the moon as ZP9EH on March 8 and 9. The station is located at the clubhouse of the Encarnacion Radio Club in southeast Paraguay (GG22BQ). This club once had 130 members before the introduction of cellphones and Skype. We are down to about eight members now.

The two M2 9 element yagi antennas were donated by Gary KB8RQ and refurbished by Mike K6MYC. I brought them down here along with Mike's TE brick amp, some LMR400 coax and various connectors and parts. By weight I had figured an importation cost of $400 - $500. The clerk first informed me that the packages had arrived and that they would cost $1702.00! Instant headache! After I gasped he then re-calculated that it was "only $442.00."

The club members built a small tower for the 2 meter antennas on the edge of the roof. I already had a Yaesu 5400B AZ-EL, an Icom 910H, and a SignaLink interface. With the amp on a battery and charger we get 250 watts output.

At moonrise Thursday March 8th I was on the roof with German ZP9GOM trying to point the antennas at the moon and get the rotor indicator to agree with the program's azimuth prediction. Amid much noise and confusion we made our QSO with Gary at about 0115z on the 9th (144.141 Mhz) and then a bit later with Dave W5UN. Then we broke for a late night victory meal -- a traditional Paraguayan "asado" with roasted beef, chicken and pork, boiled mandioca, and white bread, along with your local beverage of choice. Most of us returned to the operating desk where around midnight local time we made our sked with Mike near his moonrise. The first three 2m EME QSOs from Paraguay were in the log! (We think there was a least one earlier EME QSO on 6 meters but cannot verify it.)

I returned the following night at our moonrise (March 9 around 2300z) to try for Europe. In a calmer atmosphere with just German, Francisco and myself present we worked OH7HXH, UA3PTW, SM5CUI, and OH2BC. We copied but could not complete QSOs with Rene PE1L and DL8GP.

At this point we cannot leave the station hooked up and ready. For security reasons we have to dismantle the rig/amp/computer at the end of each session. It takes me at least 40 minutes to drive down to the club, so we have to plan in advance when we will operate. For now we will use my call ZP9EH (QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via Gert, K5WW, but NOT direct please), but when the club's call (ZP9EE) is registered with LoTW and we have a good QSL path for it, we will use that call.

All of us in the club are novices at EME. My first ever EME QSO was the other night with Gary. We will probably bust a few QSOs or sequences as we learn the ropes. Thank you for your patience! We do have internet access at the club and I try to stay in touch through the N0UK logger.

73 from Paraguay de Steve ZP9EH

LATEST NEWS:

First of all, thanks to everyone for suggestions about elevation rotor. Consensus is that I have miscalibrated it. Next time in the club I will work with the two pots associated with the elevation.

Second, I do not have an online log. Should I for the EME work? What would be an easy way to do that?

Third, next operation on March 20 beginning around 1830z (looking for Lance W7GJ) and at 1930z trying for Guy VK2KU. Guy suggested the date and time, as VK-ZP is always going to be hard. Preference will be to VK/NZ, but working the U.S. should be possible as well. I will be on 144.141 calling first.

Fourth, does the "Log It" button in WSJT7 work? Where does this log show up and how can I get to it? So far I have been logging with a pencil and paper and transcribing it into MLOG later. But before you snicker, on HF I have been running N1MM Logger for five years in contests.

Thank you for help and suggestions. I am new at this and you won't hurt my feelings :-)

73 de Steve ZP9EH

SOURCE MOON-NET

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 4U1ITU; square JN36BF; start 2012-03-23

After both C37MS and C56EME did win the trophy MMM expedition of the year 2011 section MS and
EME, Chris and Rene where thinking to celebrate this by doing something back for all those voters.

We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter from the ITU building in Geneva as 4U1ITU.
4U1ITU counts as a separate entity for the DXCC award and has never been activated in WSJT.

We will be there from March 23rd till March 25th 2012, so only 3 days! Don't miss it.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)
If all ok we will have a small 6 meter and 70cm setup with us too.

We will be on N0UK for last minute freq change.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

73 Chris PA2CHR, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L

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SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

LATEST NEWS by Lucio, I3LDP, dated 2012-03-13:

Another update prior to departure for J5.
The whole team is very excited waiting for the departure.
Today visas arrived from the Consulate of Guinea Bissau.
We are preparing the equipment.
Latest tests are positive, also the home-made 5 elements
LFA antenna for 6 m works perfectly and we'll try to use it
on EME in the last days of the expedition, when the Moon conditions
will be better, with HM preamplifier and Acom 1000 PA.
We are still waiting for the 430 preamplifier, while the TX
system is ready with antenna and 700W amplifier by ITB mod. Colibri'.
144MHz are ready: antennas are OK as is the Pre by WA2ODO and 1Kw PA
by Nico of ITB mod. Colibri'.
HF are OK with 2 Kenwood 590s, antennas: 3 el. for 10/15/20 mt and Spiderbeam
(WARC frequencies), Delta Loop, Dipole for 40/80/160 mt.
We'll operate all modes on HF, in order of preference: CW, RTTY, PSK31, SSB.
A microscope for the Cumura hospital was purchased with the received donations.
The calls J52EME for EME activities and J52HF for HF and
6m (tropo and sporadic-E) are confirmed.
For more info see our website http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/ or
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/

We expect to listen to you in the pile-up from Guinea Bissau ! 73

Lucio I3LDP Team Leader Verona DX Team

Hello OM,
everything is ready for the J5 Guinea-Bissau DXpedition.
We finally received all the permits from the authorities in Bissau.
The calls J52EME for V-UHF and J52HF for HF are confirmed.
Two groups will operate simultaneously, with preference to the most

difficult communications, ie EME.
After much work we can announce that we'll be active on:
144 MHz with 2x8 xpol, preamplifier gift of WA2ODO, amplifier ITB
Colibrï¿½ 1kw.
432 MHz with 2 homemade LFA antennas 18 elements, yet to be found
preamplifier, amplifier ITB Colibrï¿½ 600w.
50 MHz, homemade LFA antenna 5 elements, amplifier ACOM 1000, homebuild
preamp MGF1302.
In the beginning was our intention to just operate 2m EME, but we have
received many requests for both 70cm and 6m, so we hope to please everyone.
In the first few days we'll be active on 144 MHz EME and HF, with some
jump on 6m Supertropo and ES. Then we'll pass on 430 and 50 MHz. We'll
try to satisfy everyone.
Just on arriving a group will start to create an internet connection
for the hospital, so we can use it too.
Frequencies:
144,130, 432.900 and 50.200. We'll call always in the even period.
Thanks for the help that you'll can give to our humanitarian/ham-radio
expedition.
Renato I3EJ we'll keep you informed during the DXpedition on our site:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm
and email questions to: veronadxteam@ari.verona.it

See you soon from J5 !
73 de I3LDP VeronaDXteam.

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SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

**DXCC: XV; square OK10; start 2012-03-28

Hermann DL2NUD, and Peter DJ4TC will try to be active from Vietnam on EME

LATEST NEWS by Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2012-03-13:

Hermann did send the latest information about RIG QRGs and Activity Times:
144.144 MHz 17el yagi, db6nt preamp, hlv2000 beko
432.090 MHz 38el yagi, db6nt preamp, 50 W
1296.120MHz 62el yagi, db6nt preamp, 400 W
They will try to be qrv: 28.3 - 10.4 in OK10 / 12.4 - 20.4 in OK20

MAIN NEWS:

The Team plan to be qrv from 28.03. until 20.04. as XV4HP (DL2NUD) and as 3W4TC(DJ4TC).
Maybe 2 Squares will be activated: OK10 and OK20 from Island of Phuqouc on 2m 70cm und 23cm
More Infos will follow if closer the dates...

SOURCE: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: HS; square OK16 ; start 2012-04-01

HS0ZIL qrv from Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

I am happy to announce that there will be a next trip to Thailand around April.

More informations you will find on the special homepage on http://www.moonbouncing.net/
and
http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?addcom=1&id=4080

Stay tuned on these sites for further informations!!!

SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: HS; square ; start 2012-04-18

E2E EME-DXpedition in Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

LATEST NEWS from Swen, HS0ZFZ, dated 2011-12-24:

The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His
Majesty the King - HS1A - The clubstation of RAST ? HS0AC ? was
submerged by 2m of waters during the previous century flood ? which
was in the media worldwide - I believe ? some pictures of the club
station after the water tide was gone ? www.qsl.net/RAST or RAST
forum.com RAST and HS0AC lost equipment worth around 200,000 USD
(150.000 Euro) incl. our mainstation rig FT-1000 MK Mark V ? which
is believed will not be able to be repaired. RAST settle up an
account for donations to help the clubstation getting back on air
soon. Donations could be done directly to the club or via paypal
to donate@rast.or.th (wrong in the Newsletter!).
There is also a EME activation ?E2E? planned
during April to help to raise some funds for HS0AC

** DXCC: EY; square MM48; start 2012-04-27

From April 27 untill April 29, Frank, DL8YHR, and Rene, PE1L, will be
active from Tadzjikistan via EME. Callsign not known yet. Locator will
be MM48JN near the city of Dushanbe and Dushanbe airport.
Frequencies: 144.134 and 432.090, EY will TX always first.
They will be on N0UK logger. They are only 2.5 moonpasses QRV so do not
miss them. Check the logger for last minute changes in frequency.
More info on:
http://www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme

SOURCE: Frank, DL8YHR and Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME
with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire
(PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near
Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the
weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit
insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a
update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We
have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC IS; squares JN40, JN41, JM48, JM49; start 2012-06-12

Patrick, ON7ARQ will be QRV from Sardinia from June 12th untill June 26th.
During the contest on June 16th/17th he will be signing IM0/ON7ARQ (from
the Island Isola di San Pietro?)

SOURCE: Patrick, ON7ARQ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZK2; square AH51; 2012-07-09

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012

Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could
mark your calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the
end of August ;-) As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with
me on 6m EME when I was in E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be
active during our common moon windows - especially during the optimum days of
the month for 6m EME. The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email),
and the QTH has not been finalized, but all the plane tickets have been purchased
(as usual, any contributions are VERY welcome), and the equipment (a KX3 portable
transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works. As soon as the license
is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:

http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm

I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference
for a takeoff shot over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work
NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating), so we will get the ground
gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset
over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period,
as we did together from E51 and 3D2; Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS.
More details will be posted on the above website as the departure time at the end of August
gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73,
Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA; square KQ50; start 2012-08-11

Only 3 Squares remaining on a visit of the OH8K Team in the northern area -
KQ50 will be one and will be tried to activate in August 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to be qrv from KQ50
during 11-16. August 2012 as LA/OH6ZZ on 2m FSK/EME. QRG and more details

will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: VK9N; square RG30; start 2012-03-25

VK9N/ZL1RS 6m dxpedition

To advise I will be QRV on 6m from Norfolk Island as VK9N/ZL1RS from 25 March
until 07 April with stacked Yagis and good power. The grid square is RG30XX.
I will be concentrating mostly on ionospheric propagation but will also look for
stations via 6m EME at my moonrise and moonset (no elevation at VK9N).
There is more detail of the EME operating times from the link on my web site at
http://www.qsl.net/zl1rs/ Check also for 6m EME updates at
http://www.on4kst.org/chat/login.php?band=5 73, Bob ZL1RS

SOURCE: tnx to Bob, ZL1RS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

332. SOUTH INDIAN ACTRESS LATEST FILMS GALLERY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-15 06:07:14 UTC
From: SAMARA <jaidatta9247@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <75af9d65-1d76-4a38-abd3-c7e8f453c27d@sv8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3499

TOP DATING TIPS TO ENCOURAGE WOMEN FOR DATING
http://datingsitesdatingtips.blogspot.in/

HOT LINKS FOR YOUTH ONLY
SAMANTHA LATEST HOT ROMANTIC STILLS
http://actressimages-9.blogspot.in/2012/03/samantha-latest-stills.html
NAYANTHARA HOT WALLPAPERS
http://actressimages-9.blogspot.in/2012/01/nayanthara.html
ANU SMRUTHI LATEST HOT STILLS
http://actressimages-9.blogspot.in/2012/02/anu-smirthi-stills.html
AISHWARYA RAI LATEST HOT PICS
http://actressimages-9.blogspot.in/2012/01/aishwarya-rai.html
KATRINA KAIF HOT MAGAZINES PHOTOS
http://actressimages-9.blogspot.in/2012/01/katrina-kaif-magazine-photos.html
TRISHA HOT BEAUTIFUL IMAGES
http://actressimages-9.blogspot.in/2012/01/trisha-krishnan.html
HOT MALLIKA SHERAWAT PHOTOS
http://actressimages-9.blogspot.in/2012/01/mallika-sherawat.html

FOR LATEST MOVIE UPDATED LINKS
NUVVA NENA MOVIE LATEST GALLERY
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.in/2012/03/nuvva-nena-movie-stills.html
Yadartha Prema Katha Movie Latest stills
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.in/2012/03/yadartha-prema-katha-movie-stills.html
RACHA MOVIE LATEST STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2012/03/racha-movie-stills.html
KAJAL HOT IN BINAMI VELAKOTLU MOVIE
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2012/03/binami-velakotlu-movie-stills.html
ADHINAYAKUDU MOVIE LATEST HOT STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.in/2012/03/adhinayakudu-movie-stills.html
Bhale Tammudu Movie Hot Latest Stills
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.in/2012/03/bhale-thammudu-movie-stills.html
TAMANNA RAM Endukante Premante Movie Latest Stills
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2012/03/endukante-premanta-movie-stills.html
LOVELY MOVIE LATEST ROMANTIC STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.in/2011/12/lovely-movie-stills.html
ILEANA LATEST HOT PHOTOSHOOT
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.in/2012/01/ileana-latest-stills.html
ACTREESS SUPRIYA SHAILJA LATEST STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.in/2012/02/supriya-shailja-stills.html
SHEELA LATEST HOT STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2012/01/sheela-latest-stills.html
KATRINA KAIF ITEM SONG STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2012/01/katrina-kaif-item-song-stills.html
RITU KAUR LATEST PHOTO STILLS

http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2012/01/ritu-kaur-stills.html
SHRUTI HASSAN HOT IN 3 MOVIE
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/11/shruti-hassan-in-3-movie.html
HOT KATRINA KAIF PHOTOS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/katrina-kaif.html
AISHWARYA RAI HOT HQ PHOTO STILLS
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/aishwarya-rai.html
ASIN HOT PHOTO GALLERY
http://actressgallery-kalyani.blogspot.com/2011/09/asin.html

333. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 15 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-15 06:13:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d7f2b32f604bb41ff9e@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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2012 White Mountain Hamfest

Posted: 13 Mar 2012 12:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?337925-2012-White-Mountain-Hamfest&goto=newpost

Soon it's going to get warm if not hot, so why not enjoy some cool mountain
air. Come to Arizona White Mountains for the Kachina Amateur Radio Club
10th Annual Hamfest. Click or paste link for additional info:
http://www.kachina-arc.org/Page/Hamfest.html.

334. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 15 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-15 11:14:17 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93403c74f21cb04bb4630e4@google.com>
Source record: 3351
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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'Birthplace of Radio' awarded City status

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IVmfyvWpvYQ/birthplace_of_radio_awarded_city_status.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chelmsford, acknowledged as the 'Birthplace of Radio' and home to the Marconi Company for many years, is one of three new Cities created to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee

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The K9YA Telegraph at 100 months

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nQ8cFf3U6Fw/the_k9ya_telegraph_at_100_months.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

April 2012 marks the K9YA Telegraph’s 100- month anniversary. In that time the free, monthly general interest amateur radio newsletter covered the globe and gamut of ham radio activities, proclivities, personalities and history

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HAMSAT VO-52 Dutch Transponder activated

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ET6MoiQpf2Y/hamsat_dutch_transponder_activated.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Dutch SSB/CW linear transponder on the AMSAT-India amateur radio satellite HAMSAT VO-52 has been successfully activated

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CASHOTA to hold first 'Monument' month

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HnUHytcAoeQ/cashota_monument_month.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CASHOTA - Castles and Stately Homes on the Air is holding its first annual Monuments month in April

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Statement about the NI inspection issue

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FDoIHOMEvJE/statement_about_the_ni_inspection_issue.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Communications Foundation (RCF) have released a statement
regarding alleged irregularities in the conduct of amateur radio
examinations

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nQ4l-ubywfI/march_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Once again a splendid weekend with 6 contacts required to get into the lists

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Air cadets mayday call

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qYUrzB8Xge4/air_cadets_mayday_call.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Air cadets in Honiton, Devon have launched a mayday appeal for new radio
equipment and are calling on the community for help

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Ashgate Midsummer Night Walk

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oblbe5_kxiA/ashgate_night_walk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

North east Derbyshire RAYNET would like to hear from a few more radio
amateurs for this year's Ashgate Hospice Midsummer Night Walk

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Update on Repeater and Beacon NoVs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W8sG1kFDKcM/update_on_repeater_and_beacon_novs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has published an update on the current position on Repeater and
Beacon Notices of Variation (NoVs)

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SDR-4+ receiver released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rfzlqHVJj6I/sdr_4_%20receiver_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new version of the SDR-4 receiver, the SDR-4+, has just been released

335. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 15 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-15 16:25:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934053d036ebf04bb4a8a10@google.com>
Source record: 3352
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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the 2012 Field days are about to start so how do you do your field day
cooking?

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 04:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338129-the-2012-Field-days-are-about-to-start-so-how-do-you-do-your-field-day-cooking&goto=newpost

Just found this review of my field day BBQ cook book,

A Dot of Butter and a Dash of Spice is a new cookbook dedicated to Field
Day culinary delights from UK amateur Steve Norman, M0MVB.

In explaining his new work Steve says that as we all need to eat, he has
combined his love of doing field days and of food by writing a

BBQ cook book aimed at the ham radio operator.

A Dot of Butter and a Dash of Spice" contains 112 recipes in 10 chapters
covering Breakfasts, Chicken, Lamb, Beef, Pork, Fish, nice 'n spicy,
Vegetables, Sauces and Marinades even deserts are there as well as covering
what is the best BBQ to take on field days and loads of other advice.
Priced at £8.96 British Pounds or $15 US dollars, it can be ordered on-line
in the US from lulu.com and other booksellers.

Theres now a 10% discount in place for a little while.

http://www.lulu.com/product/paperbac...spice/18881119

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N4G Special Event Station March 17th-18th

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 03:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338125-N4G-Special-Event-Station-March-17th-18th&goto=newpost

In order to help our community celebrate the 231st anniversary of the
Battle of Guilford Courthouse,North Carolina, and to further practice
emergency communications skills for service to our community, the
Greensboro, NC Amateur Radio Association is collaborating with Guilford
Courthouse National Military Park to host and operate a Special Event
Station to commemorate this event in American history.

The genesis of this idea was an event that is held each year on July 4th, the "13 Colonies" event where amateur radio operators all over the world try to make contact with 13 special radio stations, one in each of the original 13 colonies. Many amateur radio operators in the Greensboro area participated in this event, and this sparked a discussion about our very own significant event during the American Revolutionary War, the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, and how we could help celebrate this important event in American history.

Every year, the Guilford Battleground Company, a non-profit organization that is dedicated to the preservation of the land around the site of Guilford Courthouse, holds a re-enactment of the Battle, and the events surrounding it. The re-enactors camp out during this time with period weapons, clothing, and tools.

The station will have the special event call sign of N4G for Nathanael Greene for the time that we will be operating, which is March 17th -18th, 2012. For more details about the station and the history of the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, see: www.n4g-gch.org

Put March 17th and 18th 2012 on your ham radio calendar, and listen for the November Four Golf Special Event Station!

Contact: David Macchiarolo AJ4TF

Greensboro Amateur Radio Association

aj4tf@arrl.net

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Invitation Last New-One IOTA NA-240 activation, Alaska May 9-17 expedition

Posted: 14 Mar 2012 04:25 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338080-Invitation-Last-New-One-IOTA-NA-240-activation-Alaska-May-9-17-expedition&goto=newpost

Hello,

If you have some time on your hands and would like to participate in activation of last New-One IOTA island in Alaska (NA-240), we would like to invite you to be part of out team!

Here is our plans:

Dates around May 9-17, Most of equipment is stored in Bethel. Estimated 3-4 days on the island, rest just travel time and few days for potential bad weather. It will be fresh, ice still will be floating in Bering Sea.

Travel to Alaska and especially last 100 miles expensive.

As of now Tim NL8F and Yuri N3QQ are members of expedition and potentially Alex RW3RN and Yuri UA9OBA.

Please contact Yuri Sushkin N3QQ (206)529-5168 for details.

73, Yuri N3QQ

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CW4R Gorriti Island

Posted: 14 Mar 2012 02:18 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338063-CW4R-Gorriti-Island&goto=newpost

The "RADIO CLUB URUGUAYO" will be active as CW4R - Special Event Call -
activating for the first time Isla Gorriti (IOTA SA-039 --- 34° 57☐ 36" S
☐ 54° 58☐ 13" W --- GF25ma) from 23 - 25th March 2012.

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...orriti-island/

73 Al 4L5A

336. FW: TI-2 is a Go! New Online Forum for Teachers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-15 18:14:43 UTC
From: ARRL Education Services <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120315174305.6649E203BF@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3353
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Teachers,

I'm pleased to share two pieces of good news-

Now Accepting Applications!

1) Dayton Amateur Radio Association will sponsor our Teachers Institute on Space in the Classroom (TI-2) again this summer and we are now accepting applications. This expenses paid, 4-day professional development opportunity will be July 9-12 in Dayton, Ohio. Eight seats will are available. An Amateur Radio license and prior attendance at a foundational TI (TI-1) are required. You'll find more details on our website at: www.arrl.org/ti-2-space-in-the-classroom

As previously announced, we will also be offering two sessions of the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology (TI-1): www.arrl.org/teachers-institute-on-wireless-technology:

o July 9-12 at Parallax in Rocklin, CA

o July 23-26 at ARRL Headquarters, Newington, CT

Application deadline is May 15, 2012.

Contributions to the Education & Technology Program Fund <http://www.arrl.org/education-and-technology-fund> from individuals and ham radio clubs, as well as in-kind support from Yaesu USA, Ham Radio Outlet and Parallax make the Teachers Institute possible.

Join our Online Forum for Classroom Teachers

2) We are implementing an online forum for classroom teachers on the ARRL website. You'll find a link to "Forums" on the home page of the ARRL website, or simply go to: www.arrl.org/forums and scroll down to "Amateur Radio in the Classroom." Mark Spencer, WA8SME will be moderating the forum, and other Teachers Institute instructors as well as past participants will be available to answer questions and respond with ideas from personal classroom experience. Some rich dialog has been shared in private email communications over the years; I'm pleased that now we can provide a way to open up that dialog for the benefit of all.

Log in and post your questions or share an idea-- let's create an active online community that will generate ideas and inspiration for Wireless Technology instruction!

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337. The ARRL Letter for March 15, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-15 19:54:28 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120315192137.C6902204B7@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS IN INDIANA, KENTUCKY AND OHIO PROVIDE
SUPPORT DURING AND AFTER TORNADO OUTBREAK

A devastating storm system moved across the United States on March
2, spawning a slew of tornadoes that contributed to at least 28
fatalities in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. These tornadoes followed an
earlier outbreak that began on February 28 and left 13 dead across
Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee and battered parts of
Kentucky. The Clark County (Indiana) Emergency Management Agency
activated the local RACES team to help provide communications support,
hams in Eastern Kentucky set up SKYWARN nets to assist the local
National Weather Service office and Cincinnati-area hams supported the
National Weather Service and the American Red Cross. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-in-indiana-kentucky-and-ohio-provide-support-d
uring-and-after-tornado-outbreak>.
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==> + ON THE AIR: UNDERSTANDING THE NEW 60 METER PRIVILEGES

On March 5, radio amateurs were granted new privileges on the 60 meter band. The effective radiated power level was increased from 50 to 100 W, along with the ability to use CW and the digital modes PACTOR III and PSK31.

"CW operators seem to have little problem figuring how where they need to transmit, but some PSK31 operators are reading the text of the FCC's Report & Order and coming away a bit confused," said ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. "The R&O states: 'We adopt a modified instruction for PSK31 channel use to correct an error introduced in the NPRM. To have a PSK31 signal transmitted on the center frequency, the control operator should not set the carrier frequency to the center frequency but should instead set the carrier frequency 1.5 kHz below the center frequency (i.e., the same as for phone and data emissions).'

"The word 'carrier' in this context means the suppressed carrier frequency of a transceiver when operated in the USB mode, but some have taken it to mean the PSK31 signal itself," Henderson noted. "They read this text and come to the conclusion that the PSK31 signal should be 1.5 kHz below the channel center. They are mistaken. The PSK31 signal must be in the center of the channel." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/60-meters-one-week-later>.

==> + ON THE AIR: MARK YOUR CALENDARS: IT'S TIME FOR THE SPRING FMT

The Frequency Measuring Test (FMT) continues its successful "round-table" format when it takes to the airwaves on the evening of April 19 (April 20 UTC). The test moves to Thursday from the November FMT's usual Wednesday evening, giving everyone an opportunity to participate. Recognizing the higher solar flux, the FMT will lead off with a 20 meter segment -- one transmission beaming east, and the other west from Connie Marshall, K5CM, in Oklahoma -- with both transmissions on the same frequency. The sponsors are particularly interested in your comments on frequency differences observed between the directions due to propagation-related effects. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/mark-your-calendars-it-s-time-for-the-spring-fmt>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: THE ARRL HOMEBREW CHALLENGE III -- AND THE WINNER IS...

The previous ARRL Homebrew Challenges have been to build a 5 W PEP 40 meter sideband and CW transceiver (Homebrew Challenge I) and then a 50 W linear amplifier to follow it (Homebrew Challenge II). This third challenge moved up the spectrum into frequencies that might be of interest to Technician class amateurs -- 10 and 6 meters.

There were two separate entry categories for this challenge: single band or multiband. The single band unit could have been for either 10 or 6 meters and had to output 25 W PEP on SSB and CW, with a cost target of $150. The multiband unit had to put out the same power on both bands and be built for under $200 of parts. Each entry category

had detailed requirements for receiver and transmitter performance. The FCC requirements for transmitter spurious response of -43 dB on 10 meters -- and particularly the -60 dB on 6 meters -- were expected to be tough. The first category had a prize of $200, while the second offered $300. While we heard from others who expected to participate, two entrants brought or sent us working transceivers by the November 1, 2011 deadline. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-homebrew-challenge-iii-and-the-winner-is>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SEEKS TO MODIFY HAWAIIAN HAM'S LICENSE

On March 15, the FCC issued an Order Proposing Modification, seeking to change the license class of Todd Wilson, WH6DWF, of Honolulu, Hawaii, from General to Technician. The FCC stated that granting General class Amateur Radio operator privileges to Wilson was "improper." In November 2011, the ARRL VEC sent an electronic data file to the FCC, requesting that the FCC issue Wilson a new General class license. Based on this application, the FCC granted Wilson a General class license on November 29, 2011. In January 2012, the ARRL VEC notified the FCC that Wilson's information was incorrect and he did not qualify for a General class license; the ARRL VEC asked the FCC to modify Wilson's license to show him to hold a Technician class license. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-modify-hawaiian-ham-s-license>.

==> W1AW ANNOUNCES SPRING OPERATING SCHEDULE

With the switch from Standard Time to Daylight Saving Time, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW operating schedule to reflect the change. Your local standard times have not changed, but the UTC times they reference have. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-spring-operating-schedule-1>.

==> ON THE AIR: ARRL SEEKS COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 9 CM BAND PLAN

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received. Thanks to all of you who took the time to share information with us. After reading the feedback, the committee began working on the band plans; the first draft plan ready for review is for the 9 cm band (3300-3500 MHz). Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-comments-on-proposed-9-cm-band-plan>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Waiting for the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M24Yhd7N91s>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers over the past reporting week (March 8-14) were 88.3, a rise of nearly 19 points; the average daily solar flux rose more than 12 points to 134.2. Three new sunspots emerged. The first was sunspot group 1421 on March 9, which began with a relative

area of 90. In the days following, it went to 80, 50, 80, 70 and 60. Two more sunspot groups -- numbered 1433 and 1434 -- appeared on March 11, with a combined relative area (in millionths of a solar hemisphere) of 240, then 130, 140 and 150. The sunspot number peaked on March 11 at 103, and the solar flux on March 10 at 148.9 and again on March 13 at 140.7. The outlook for the next few days has solar flux at 115 on March 15, 110 on March 16, 105 on March 17-21, 110 on March 22-23, and back down to 105 on March 24-27. There was a great deal of geomagnetic activity on March 9, with a planetary A index at 68, and again on March 12 with planetary A index of 28. An M-class x-ray flare occurred on March 15 at 0752 UTC, and if you catch it soon enough, you can see the resulting x-ray flux <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/rt_plots/xray_5mBL.html> on the GOES monitor. The predicted planetary A index for March 15-18 are 15, 20, 15 and 8, and then 5 for March 19-27. The vernal equinox will occur at 0514 UTC on March 20. The shift to spring generally means favorable conditions for HF propagation. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, March 16. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Simon and Garfunkels's Old Friends/Bookends <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bookends>.

==> + ARRL WARNS MEMBERS TO BE AWARE OF BOGUS E-MAILS

Some ARRL members with arrl.net e-mail accounts have recently received bogus e-mails, notifying them of a bill that supposedly needs to be paid. The e-mail instructs the reader to click on a link to view the bill; clicking on the link could release a virus that can infect your computer. Please be aware that these e-mails are not coming from the ARRL. "If you receive an e-mail like this and it looks like it originated from ARRL, please do not respond," explained ARRL IT Manager Michael Keane, K1MK. "The best thing you can do when receiving bogus e-mails is to simply add them to the spam list in your computer's e-mail program and delete it. Please don't forward it to ARRL HQ -- we will have already seen it and are already responding to it."

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- March 17 -- 10-10 International Mobile Contest; Feld Hell Sprint; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- March 17-18 -- North Dakota QSO Party; Oklahoma QSO Party; Virginia QSO Party; Russian DX Contest
- March 17-19 -- BARTG HF RTTY Contest
- March 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- March 22 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- March 24-25 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (SSB)
- March 26 -- QRP Homebrewer Sprint

- March 28 -- SKCC Sprint
- March 28-29 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> + ENTER THE SEVENTH ANNUAL ARRL PHOTO CONTEST!

Have you ever wanted to see a photo of yours in QST, the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Calendar or another ARRL publication? Well, here's your chance! If you're among the winners, not only will your photographic skill be propagated far and wide, but we're offering $100 as the First Prize. The winning photo and three runners-up will be published in QST. All submitted photos will also be considered for the 2013 ARRL Calendar. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/enter-the-seventh-annual-arrl-photo-contest>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 17 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-end-of-winter-hamfest>,
Lincoln, Nebraska; ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-2>,
Stuart, Florida; ARRL West Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-57th-annual-st-patrick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine
- April 7 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest-1>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett,
Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012 <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle,
Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho;
63rd International DX Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>,
Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radio-electronics-expo-1>,
Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe,
Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

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338. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 16 March 2012

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Date: 2012-03-16 06:25:07 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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New Orleans Hamfest!!! March 24th

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 11:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338176-New-Orleans-Hamfest!!!-March-24th&goto=newpost

ATTN: WE STILL HAVE A FEW TABLES FOR SALE!!!!

WWW.NOLAHAMFEST.COM

NEW ORLEANS HAMFEST- MARCH 24TH 2012

Muss Bertolino Gym

600 W Esplanade

Ave, Kenner, LA 70065

Talk in- 146.860 repeater 114.8 -

Grand prize- Icom 7200

VE Testing- 8:30 AM

Contacts-

w5kb@arrl.net

Tyler@noarc.info

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GCARC HAMFEST

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 08:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338149-GCARC-HAMFEST&goto=newpost

The Gloucester City Amatuer Radio Club (GCARC, NJ2GC) is having a spring
time Hamfest on Saturday, March 24, 2012 in Gloucester City, N.J.
Gloucester is located at the base of the Walt Whitman Bridge coming from
Philadelphia, Pa. All info including talk-in can be found at the Club
website, going to the left side of the screen and clicking Hamfest.
www.nj2gc.org/

73, Leon, WB2DLF

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339. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 247

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 247

16 March 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

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· News from the President ZL1TGC

· Administration Liaison Officer – update on fees.

· WIA ANZAC Day Event

· WIA Ross Hull Memorial Contest Results 2012

· NZARD branch success

· Special Event Station 75th Anniversary of Golden Gate Bridge. Attachment

Debby Says…

I have received an e-mail from Roger and Ann Klaver. They have found an NZART neck tie at a basketball court at the Fitzherbert Reserve, West Harbour, Auckland. Anyone who may have dropped it there can contact me for more information.

Remits and branch voting figures will be sent to all branch secretaries by the end of March. I am unable to send the remits out to any person or branch electronically beforehand.

Headquarters will be closed on Thursday 29th and Friday 30th March.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

News from the President Vaughan ZL1TGC

Marlborough Branch Donation

I am delighted to report that Marlborough Branch 22 has made a donation of $1000 towards the cost of sending our ALO, Don Wallace ZL2TLL to Geneva for the World Radio Conference. This is a very generous donation and I would like to thank the Executive and members of the branch very much.

Vacancy on Council filled

My taking on the position of President created a casual vacancy in the Northern electoral district and I’m very pleased to be able to advise that Neill Ellice ZL1TAJ has agreed to join us on Council to fill this vacancy. You may recall that Neill narrowly missed out on being elected to Council during the last round of elections. Please give Neill a warm welcome, as I am sure he will bring to Council some new ideas and a fresh perspective which will serve us well.

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC

President, NZART Inc.

Fees Review

NZART Council was keen, for budgeting purposes, to know if and when there might be any changes to the current fees we pay for repeaters, beacons, etc. Radio Spectrum Management have advised that a fees review is planned but no changes to Amateur repeater, beacon and similar fees will occur before 1 July 2015.

Factors that may influence future fees payable include the > $1 million reduction in RSM licence income by the closedown of the high power VHF television transmitters, the rate of take up of other licences in the UHF spectrum, costs caused by each sector, etc.

It is not know at this stage what effect the review will have on the fees paid for Amateur licences but we have been assured that it will be preceded by full consultation (which is likely to start in 2013) with all users.

Don Wallace ZL2TLL

NZART ALO.

Commemorating ANZAC day with WIA

We have got it rolling early and the Townsville Radio Club will be operating from a WW2 Bunker on Castle Hill and the Hill at Charters Towers that was used as part of the huge military presence . We'll be operating from WW2 site on the Atherton Tablelands as well.

That's great that ex HMAS Castlemaine will be in and we hope ex HMAS Diamintina, ex HMAS Whyalla will be on air as well. I have included the Australian Maratime Museum in Sydney so hopefully we'll have ex HMAS Vampire or anther ship on as well, maybe some from the museums at point Cook and others as well.

The aim is to encourage as many RADIO AMATEURS as possible to have Amateur radio operating on the same modes, AM and CW, that were used during World War 1, and 2 plus Korea, Malaya, Confrontation, and early Viet Nam as an Amateur Radio salute to those servicemen and servicewomen who then served and those still serving.

We ask that it start in the afternoon and not interfere with the morning marches, services or reunions and simply use AM and CW on the afternoon

ets instead of the SSB.

It brings it home the difficulties that those servicemen and servicewomen had passing all the signals etc.

Can you please distribute this info as widely as possible so as many as possible will be involved. I'll try and get our New Zealand and other amateur radio organisations in the loop as well.

Regards and hoping for a successful AM and CW afternoon on the 25April2012

Mike Patterson VK4MIK

Wireless Institute of Australia

ROSS HULL MEMORIAL VHF-UHF CONTEST 2012:

RESULTS Contest manager: John Martin VK3KM

2012 Ross Hull Contest Results
The Ross Hull results have now been finalised.
In Section A, the top two scores were gained by Bob McQuarrie ZL3TY and Stephen Hayman ZL1TPH - the first time the Ross Hull Contest has been won by a station outside Australia. Coming third as the top scoring VK station was Ted Thrift VK2ARA. Next in line was Barrie Burns VK6ADI.

In the digital section, top score went to Dave VK2JDS with a log of 1296 MHz EME contacts, followed by one station from each of VK1, 4, 6, 7 and ZL.
Full details are available on the contest web page here.
John VK3KM

Feedback from NZ Amateur Radio Day

Thank you to all those who assisted us to promote the hobby by working our NZ Amateur Radio Day stations yesterday.We teamed up with local Civil Defence and put on a public display at the Glenview Shopping Mall complex car park,HAMILTON. Contacts were via the IRLP,National System,APRS,70cm,2m,40m and 80m.Due to car park constraints our HF antennas were limited to mobile whips on vehicles with extension coax leads leading to our ops bench display areas in neighbouring gazebos.The weather was in our favour and the public feed back was very positive with a number of follow ups.

John ZL1PO,
Radio Electronics Group(Inc.) ZL1REG
Branch 89 NZART

Special Event Station W6G

I am writing on behalf of the San Francisco Amateur Radio Club. We will be holding a Special Event Station - W6G - to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge on May 26, 2012 at 2000z to May 27, 2012 at 2200z. Details are in the attached PDF and also at

http://www.sfarc.org/timeline05262712.htm

More details are attached to this bulletin.

Tony Dowler K6BV

DXer now a Silent Key - Excerpts taken from the Daily DX Vol 16 No 047
dated 6 March 2012.

It is with great sadness that I report the passing of the legendary

DXpeditioner ZL1AMO, Ron Wright. He was 75.

Ron was the 23rd Amateur Radio operator inducted into the CQ DX Hall of
Fame in 1985, as well as recently (2009) the “2nd inductee to
the NZ DX Hall of Fame”.

ZL1AMO was one of the best CW ops and operated most of his DXpeditions

exclusively on his favorite mode. His CW DXCC count was 339/346

(current/total), only needing one country to have them all on Code!

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the May/June 2012 issue
of Break-In-closes on 10 May 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 May 2012 for
articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted
DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to
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Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 25th March 2012. Next
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340. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 16 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-16 11:06:02 UTC
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio CubeSat Masat-1 takes first pictures

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GeFbfhj9FFA/amateur_radio_cubesat_masat-1_takes_first_pictures.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Masat-1, the first Hungarian Satellite, made history again when it captured the first satellite space photographs on March 8, 2012

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BBC highlight problems with PLT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P-e-SQBC0FM/bbc_highlight_problems_with_plt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In a response to the EU Radio Spectrum Policy Group (RSPG) the BBC point out the radio interference problems caused by PLC systems which are also known as PLT or BPL

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ARISS ham radio space contact planned with school in Ortona, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L_d4gOJb2iQ/ariss_event_1803.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned Sunday 18 March 2012 at approximately 11.31 UTC with students at Istituto Tecnologico Statale Trasporti e Logistica "Leone Acciaiuoli", Ortona, Italy

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Blaine students engineer theory into real-world products

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/10eIaRZz1P8/blaine_students_engineer_theory_into_real_world_products.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

KARE 11 reports on students at Blaine High School who are enrolled in The Center for Engineering, Math and Science, CEMS, which is Blaine's 'school within a school'

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St Patrick's Day Special Event Station GB1SPD

Posted:
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St Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland and is celebrated on the 17th of March each year. GB1SPD is the callsign issued to West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club to celebrate St Patrick's Day

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Iron Ham Contest re-scheduled

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The World-wide Iron Ham Contest, which was originally planned to take place in June, has now been re-scheduled

341. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1805 - March 16 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-16 12:05:22 UTC
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1805 - March 16 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1805 with a release date of March 16th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. More on ham radios role in the wake of a recent tornado outbreak; FEMA asks the FCC to permit text to speech EAS transmissions; interference from ocean buoys discovered on 10 meters and a DXpedition to Mali is cancelled due to political unrest in that nation. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1805 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: ARES HAMS FILL MULTIPLE ROLES DURING KENTUCKY SEVERE WEATHER OUTBREAK

Amateur Radio operators in Hardin and surrounding Kentucky counties provided critical communications during and after the severe weather outbreaks on February 29th, and again on Saturday March 3rd. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, is here with the details:

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Members of the Hardin County Kentucky Amateur Radio Emergency Service were activated initially by the National Weather Service. This as a resource to relay significant weather information directly to their office in Louisville.

Hardin County ARES provided weather spotting, logistics, disaster assessment, and shelter coordination assistance. Throughout the severe weather, they were busy maintaining communications with served agencies, with hams in adjacent counties, other ARES units, and to amateur radio station WX4NWS which is located at the Louisville National Weather service office.

Knowing in advance the high probability for dangerous weather, several of the volunteer radio amateurs took personal time off from work in order to perform this public service.

In the aftermath of these deadly storms, Hardin County Amateur Radio operators continued to serve with agencies in affected areas in Southern Indiana and Eastern Kentucky, providing communications, disaster assistance, and support for ongoing search, rescue and recovery operations.

Fred Jones, WA4SWF, is the Region 4 Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator for the ARES in Eastern Kentucky. He e-mailed Newsline that as of March 11th there were Amateur Radio emergency Service nets still in operation on 8 repeaters in Eastern Kentucky. Whether or not these nets have been secured is unknown as we go to air.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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According to Shelby Ennis, W8WN, who is the Emergency Coordinator of the Hardin County ARES, 20 operators were active during the emergency on February 29th and 27 volunteered on March 3rd. (WA4SWF, KE4EK)

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RESCUE RADIO: FEMA WANTS FCC TO ALLOW CAP TEXT TO SPEECH NOW

The Federal Emergency Management Agency better known by the acronym FEMA has asked the FCC to reconsider portions of its latest EAS Report and Order. Specifically in the area dealing with message standards.

In its filing, FEMA told the commission that portions of its 5th Report and Order on EAS limit the ability of local emergency management officials to obtain all of the benefits of Common Alerting Protocol messaging standards for EAS. Especially those that deal with text to speech conversion .

The FCC had put off the text-to-speech conversion issue for a separate rule making proceeding. But FEMA claims that one possible consequence of not allowing such conversions now is that Common Alerting Protocol messages supplied without audio content could cause a C-A-P equipped EAS device to interrupt a stations normal programming and only convey an EAS header tone. Or it might only transmit an alert signal and an end-of-message notification.

FEMA says that for radio stations this would mean that no information usable by the public would be conveyed. As such, FEMA is urging the FCC to reconsider and to allow speech-to-text technology to support EAS radio operations now.

(RW, Radio Today, Observer)

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COMMUNICATIONS LAW: HOUSE ENERGY AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE APPROVES TWO FCC REFORM MEASURES

The House Energy and Commerce Committee voted 31 to 16 on Tuesday March 6th to approve an FCC reform bill that puts shot clocks on FCC decisions, requires disclosure of items before votes, and limits on merger conditions.

The cable, phone and broadcast industries all supported the FCC reform efforts as outlined in HR 3309, while House Democrats said the measure

will needlessly tie the FCC's hands and could lead to endless litigation. Democrats have vowed to defeat the measure.

At the same time the House also passed a second, non controversial FCC reform bill. HR 3310 that simply requires the FCC to conduct a biennial survey of the state of competition in the marketplace that will be published online and submitted to Congress. (B&C)

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ON THE AIR: IRLP TOPIC CHANNELS INAUGURATED

The long-awaited Internet Radio Linking Project or IRLP Topic Channels have now gone live. IRLP- users are now able to log onto reflector channels allocated for interests ranging from DX'ing to music, media, history, the upcoming 2012 election and many others.

For those not aware, the Internet Radio Linking Project was the result of research and development by Dave Cameron, VE7LTD, back in 1998. This as a way of using the Internet to interconnect repeaters world-wide. With the advent of IRLP Topic Channels the concept has developed into a global discussion real-time forum on almost any topic of interest to those signed on.

For up-to-date information on the IRLP Topic Channels please visit www.irlptopics.net. To locate an IRLP node near you go to status.irlp.net on the world-wide-web. (W7RAT, Southgate)

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INTRUDER WATCH: BUOYS ON 10 METERS

The source of some mysterious weak signals on 29.684 MHz with an 81.9 Baud and 130 Hz shift have been located. According to the February IARU Region One newsletter, the signals came from the Spanish coastal area and were audible across all of Europe but only during band openings and only by directional antennas.

It turns out the source of transmissions by Datawell buoys. These buoys, produced in the Netherlands are used for measuring water temperatures and wave heights. They are designed to transmit with 75 milliwatts on frequencies between 27 and 40 MHz.

Dick Van Empelen, PA2GRU, of Heemstede in the Netherlands has since visited the Datawell Company and has informed them that the buoy transmissions on the amateur service 10 meter band are illegal. The operations chief promised to inform all Datawell offices about the situation. (IARU-R1)

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BREAKING NEWS: PLANNED MALI DXPEDITION ON HOLD DUE TO POLITICAL UNREST

Some breaking news in the world of DX. This with word that political unrest has led to a planned DX operation to Mali being put on

indefinite hold.

Two weeks ago members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" announced that they were planning to be active as TZ5T from Mali between April 12th to the 27th. However, their Pilot station Art Lorenzo, IK7JWY, has now issued a statement that the situation of civil war in Mali between the government and Tuareg insurgents is worsening. Because of this and other concerns Mali authorities will not issue licenses to radio amateurs who may be targeted because of radio equipment.

For this reason the DXpedition has been postponed until a yet to be determined later date. For updates please check in regularly at www (dot) i2ysb (dot) com on the World-Wide Web. And we will have more DX news later on in this weeks report. (OPDX)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio

Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world

including the Echo Repeater System serving Mt. Prospect

Illinois.

(5 sec pause here)

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PROPAGATION: YET ANOTHER CME HEADS TOWARD EARTH Spaceweather reports that the sun has again erupted in a way that will likely affect radio propagation here on Earth for several days. Especially on the High Frequency bands. We have more in this report:

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Sunspot AR1429 unleashed another strong flare on March 13th. The category M 7.9 explosion produced a significant Coronal Mass Ejection or CME that solar forecasters predicted would reach Earth at 06:20 UTC, plus or minus 7 hours, on March 15th and whose effects on propagation could last for several days.

As a result, geomagnetic storms are possible when the charged cloud arrives that could produce auroral displays in the Northern-most latitudes. This in turn could lead to aurora propagation at 50 Mhz and above.

Ironically, a bright comet is at the same time diving into the sun. The comet was recently discovered NASA's Solar and Heliospheric Observatory SWAN instrument. As such its been named "Comet SWAN."

The comet's death plunge or "swan dive" as some astronomers are calling it comes just as the sun has unleashed the strong flare. Because of

this some of the SOHO images of the comet are confused to some degree by energetic protons striking the camera's imaging sensor.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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For updates on this and other solar activity we suggest that you check spaceweather.com for the latest information. (Spaceweather, Space.com)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $25000 FINE FOR UNLICENSED SAN JOSE CA FM BROADCAST OPERATIONS

The FCC has affirmed a $25,000 Notice of Apparent Liability issued to Gabriel A. Garcia of San Jose, California. This for a 2010 series of unlicensed radio transmissions heard on 92.9 MHz, 93.7 and 104.3 MHz all traced to Garcia residences.

Garcia was issued four notices of unlicensed operation from the FCC before being issued the proposed fine in 2011. The base penalty in such cases is $10,000 but the agency has said that Garcia operated on multiple frequencies, on multiple occasions, and called his behavior particularly egregious. This because his transmissions allegedly interfered with the Aviation Radio Services band.

Garcia never responded to the proposed fine. Having not heard an appeal from him since issuing the NAL last March, the FCC now has finalized the $25,000 fine and given him the customary 30 days to pay. If he fails to do so the case may be referred to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATION: FREQUENCY COORDINATION FOR 2012 POLITICAL CONVENTIONS COMMITTEE FORMED

Broadcast engineers have formed a committee to coordinate spectrum use at the Democratic and Republican conventions this summer. According to member Ray Benedict PolComm 2012 was formed in an effort to head off radio and TV personnel who may show up at the conventions and then try to use their wireless mics and two-way radios without first going through the frequency coordination process.

The Republican convention is Aug. 27th to the 30th in Tampa, Florida and the Democratic convention is September 3rd to the 6th in Charlotte, North Carolina. The committee says that it will seek a temporary rules waiver to allow TV Channels 14, 16 and 17 to be used as communication channels in Tampa and TV Channels 14, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 in Charlotte.

Broadcast engineering consultant Louis Libin is the PolComm 2012 chairman. Libin has chaired frequency coordination committees for past seven national political conventions. (RW)

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NEW PRODUCTS: THE TALENT POD FROM HENRY ENGINEERING

A fascinating new piece of merchandise has come along that while not meant for ham radio, deserves a mention.

Henry Engineering, the California-based company owned by Hank Landsberg, WB6MEU, has come out with a broadcast product that could also be of interest to contesters, DX'ers as well as dedicated multi-operator stations such as during Field Day. Called the Talent Pod, the unit is a desktop local host controller for microphones and headphones that the company says solves audio problems often encountered when doing remote broadcasts.

Talent Pod is a mini-console made for use by an announcer. It gives that person full control of his or her mic and headphones. It lets the announcer turn the mic on and off and create a mix of local and return audio in the headphones. The mic button is illuminated and is visible in outdoor settings. A cough button momentarily mutes mic audio.

There are also two separate inputs for local and return audio, with a volume control for each. The operator can control the volume level and mix of the headphone audio.

To prevent confusion between the local and return audio, Talent Pod also has two pan switches, so the announcer can independently position the local and return audio in the center, left or right channel of the headphones.

As most hams involved in contesting and multi-op DXing will note, all of these functions could easily be adapted to use in an amateur radio multi operator station environment. All it takes is a bit of imagination. More information on the Talent Pod is on line at www.henryeng.com. (RW)

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HAM RADIO HONORS: ARRL OPENS NOMINATIONS FOR SEVERAL AWARDS

The nomination period is now open for a number of ARRL awards that are designed to recognize educational and technological pursuits in Amateur Radio, as well as an award to honor a young Amateur Radio operator. These include the Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award for educators and the Hiram Percy Maxim Award is for a licensed radio amateur under age 21 to name only two. In all there are a half a dozen awards this year. For more information take your web browser to tinyurl.com/arrl-awards-2012 or contact Steve Ewald, by e-mail to wv1x (at) arrl (dot) org. (ARRL)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: INTERNATIONAL MUSEUMS WEEKEND REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

The International Museums Weekend special event operations will take place on the weekends of June 16th through the 17th and again on June 23rd and 24th. Radio amateurs are encouraged to participate in this event by setting up stations in their local museums.

The International Museums Weekend organizer Harry Bloomfield, M1BYT in Leeds in the U-K. He asks that all those intending to take part in the event to register their museum operation at www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw.

This is not only a fun event but one that permits you to showcase amateur radio to non-hams world wide. (WIA News)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: CELEBRATING THE MORSE CODE

New York's QSY Society Amateur Radio Club will be hosting a special event station at the Samuel F. B. Morse Estate at Locust Grove in the city of Poughkeepsie. This in celebration of his creation of the Morse Code in 1832. The operation will run from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Saturday April 14th using the special event callsign K2QS. Transmissions will be centered on 7.034 on 40 meters and 14.034 MHz on 20. Hams making contact with K2QS will be eligible for a special commutative QSL card. QSL requests go to David Ruth at 48 Hoof Print Road, Millbrook, New York, 12545. ((KB2VJP)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: STEVE FLETCHER G4RFC NAMED RSGB OLYMPIC FACILITATOR

Some names in the news. The Radio Society of Great Britain has announced that Steve Fletcher, G4RFC, has been appointed as the U-K national society's Olympic Facilitator. According to a press release, Fletcher will be drawing together all the information on radio amateur special events associated with the upcoming Olympic and Paralympic Games in the UK. S As such he wants to hear about any individual plans so the RSGB website can show who is doing what, when and where. Fletcher can be reached by e-mail to g4rfcinfo (at) yahoo (dot) co (dot)uk. (GB2RS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: G6LVB TO SPEAK AT AMSAT-NA - TAPR HAMVENTION BANQUET

Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured speaker at the 2012 AMSAT/TAPR Hamvention Banquet on Friday night, May 18th in Dayton, Ohio. Long will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle and the 64 to 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver. Banquet tickets will not be sold at the AMSAT booth during the Hamvention therefore reservations must be made ahead of time through the AMSAT Store. Its located in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/amsat-na-store. Tickets are priced at $30 each. (ANS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K9EID UK AUDIO TALK POSTED TO YOUTUBE

And a talk about improving audio on the ham radio bands given by Bob Heil, K9EID, has been posted on-line by M3XYP. Recorded at the United Kingdom 2011 National Hamfest, the video is in five parts and can be found at www.youtube.com/user/m3xypsar/videos (M3XYP)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: PACIFIC DXER RON WRIGHT ZL1AMO S.K.

Another of those sad changing of the guard moments. This with word that the ham radio community has lost legendary Pacific DX'er and DXpeditioner Ron Wright, ZL1AMO.

Word went out two weeks ago that Wright had been admitted to the North Shore Hospital in New Zealand because of a collapsed lung but recovered. The last medical update noted that ZL1AMO was in stable condition.

According to reports, Wright was still in the hospital at the time of his death on March 6th. Services for ZL1AMO were to be held at the Morrison Fuenral Home in Henderson, New Zealand on Saturday March 10th. At the time of his passing Ron Wright, ZL1AMO, was age of 75. (OPDX, NZ Herald)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CALL FOR SPEAKERS AT 2012 AMSAT UK SPACE COLLOQUIUM

A call has gone out for speakers for the AMSAT-UK 2012 International Space Colloquium. This years gathering will take on the weekend of September 15th to the 16th at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, England. Also being sought are papers for subsequent publishing on the AMSAT-UK web site.

Submissions should be sent via e-mail to david dot johnson at blackpepper dot co dot uk or to the postal address for G4DPZ found on QRZ dot com. More information on this event is on-line at www (dot) uk (dot) amsat (dot) org/colloquium/twelve.

This years Colloquium will take place only a few weeks prior to the planned launch of AMSAT-UK's FUNcube-1 ham radio satellite. (AMSAT-UK)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMATEUR RADIO SATELLITE COORDINATION FORMS REVISED

Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, reports that the Amateur Satellite Frequency Coordination request form has been updated and is available for download from www.iaru.org/satellite. Also on the IARU satellite web page are a number of guideline documents which will assist satellite builders, including a document on the ITU requirements for amateur radio satellites. ZS6AKV is the IARU Satellite Advisor. (ZS6AKV)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT-NA RECEIVES OKJ TO RE-DISTRIBUTE KEPS

AMSAT's Ray Hoad, WA5QGD has announced that the organizations request to re-distribute US Air Force Space Command Keplerian elements from SpaceTrack has been approved for the period April 1, 2012 to April 1, 2013. AMSAT's request to distribute the orbital element data was approved on March 1st. (ANS, WA5QGD)

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WORLDBEAT: RNW MEDIA NETWORK WEBLOG TO END MARCH 22

The Radio Netherlands Media Network Weblog will be closing for good at the end of the winter shortwave broadcast season on Saturday March 24th. This as the result of a new mandate by the the Holland-based broadcaster that effective on January 1, 2013, it will no longer be possible to provide coverage of international media news.

The Weblog is written and edited by Andy Sennitt and contains over 15,000 media news items published since October 2003. Sennitt says that it will remain online as a searchable archive. To prevent spam, it will no longer be possible to add comments, but the nearly 14,000 comments already received will still be available for viewing.

The last Media Network newsletter will be e-mailed to subscribers on March 22nd. (Media Network)

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WORLDBEAT: GREECE TURNS OFF 11 MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMITTERS

The Administrative Board of the Greek Public Broadcaster has ordered the switch-off of eleven medium wave transmitters. This as a result of new austerity measures due to the financial situation being faced by that European nation. This leaves only nine medium wave transmitters with their respective Greek Public Radio programs in operation. The action was adopted by the Administrative Board after a meeting on February 17th. (GreekRadio.com)

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RADIOSPORT: 2012 CQIR CONTEST CELECRATES IRTS 80TH ANNIVERSARY

>From the radiosports file, word that the CQIR contest is taking place at not long after this newscast goes to air. That being from mid-day on Saturday March 17th to mid-day on the 18th.

This years contest will be the international showpiece event for the Irish Radio Transmitters Society`s 80th anniversary celebration. Paul O'Kane, EI5DI, advises that his contest logger will be free and unrestricted for the contest. Also that his SD may be downloaded from ei5di.com.

CQIR entrants should be aware that the Russian DX contest overlaps with it. You can easily tell the difference between the two in that Russian stations will send a 2 character district code instead of a serial report as used in the CQIR competition.

Full rules for the CQIR contest are available on-line at www.irts.ie. (IRTS)

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DX

2E1EUB, will once again be active as from Eastern Scotland as 2M1EUB for 7 days beginning March 24th. He will be located in the Cairngorms National Park operating on 160 and 80 meters and several ham satellites. QSL as directed under 2M1EUB on QRZ.com.

The current XW1A and XWOZJZ operations from Laos have been approved for DXCC credit. Bill Moore, NC1L, who heads up the DXCC Desk at ARRL headquarters made the approval official on Tuesday, March 13th.

EI7CC will be on the air from Lesotho as 7P8PB through April 3rd. Activity will be holiday style and he will operate when circumstances permit. QSL via EI7CC, either direct or via the bureau. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World immediately after his return to Ireland.

A large group from Germany and Poland plan to be active from the Pacific island of Tonga until March 24th. They are using the callsign is A35YZ. QSL via DL7DF.

Down the road a bit comes word that DK9FN will once again return to Temotu Province be active as H40FN between this December 22nd and January 7th of 2013. QSL H40FN via HA8DD. More details will be forthcoming.

Lastly comes news that F4CYZ will be operational from Morocco as CN2YZ through years end. His activity will be from the city of Tangier and especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site with a log-check. Its in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BILL BEFORE CONGRESS TO LET ASTRONAUTS KEEP SPACE SOUVENIRS

And finally this week, a dispute between NASA and some former astronauts over ownership of space artifacts has led to a bill in Congress that would give the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo astronauts "full ownership rights." This, to items such as checklists and personal logs from their missions. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has the rest of the story:

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Known as H.R. 4158 the proposed legislation grows out of an effort last year by Apollo 13 Commander Jim Lovell to sell the lunar module activation checklist that had been used to convert the moon lander into a space lifeboat on the periled 1970 Apollo 13 mission. The sale brought record-setting $388,375 but it was put on hold after the National Aeronautics and Space Administration demanded proof that the former astronaut owned the item.

Now comes H.R. 4158 that was introduced by Representative Ralph Hall of Texas. Hall is the chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee. He measures cosponsor was Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson, also of Texas. It has since amassed an additional fifteen cosponsors.

In a letter to heir congressional colleagues the two key sponsors wrote that the legislation would allow the first generation of astronauts to retain spaceflight artifacts that have been in their possession. In many cases for more than 40 years.

Under the proposed measure, astronauts from the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo programs would be allowed to keep items such as personal logs and checklists. The only thing off limits would be rock samples gathered on those early lunar missions. The so-called &#65533;_oMoon Rocks.&#65533;__

After meeting with Lovell and several other former astronauts last month, NASA Administrator Charles Bolden said that these are American heroes. He called them fellow astronauts and personal friends who have acted in good faith. As such, Bolden says that they are committed to working together to find the right policy and legal paths forward to address outstanding ownership questions.

H.R. 4158 has bi-partisan support and is expected to make it all the way through the Congressional rule making process.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in New Orleans.

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This was not the first time that NASA has challenged the sale by an astronaut of a piece of space memorabilia. In 2010, NASA challenged Apollo 14 astronaut Edgar Mitchell's attempt to sell a camera he took to the moon. Mitchell eventually agreed to donate the camera to the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum. (collectspace.com; physorg.com, others)

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A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, on Florida's Sunshine Coast saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS - March 18 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAR 18 2012.

WIA

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

Two local Hams were interviewed live last Sunday on ABC 666 AM with
Ginger Gorman on the Month of Sundays morning program.

Peter Ellis vk1pe and Chris Carroll vk1gg demonstrated and talked about
the historical and current usage of Morse Code.

The producer has since conveyed that the caliber of the Morse interview was
"EXCELLENT"!

Congratulations guys, a job well done.

Now on this weeks WIA News Broadcast the rundown from the boys themselves!

VK1WIA STUDIO:
Peter Ellis VK1PE and Chris Carroll VK1GG did a 20 minute interview on ABC Local Radio in Canberra last Sunday. It's part of the Sunday program's month focussing on communication, and the guy's interview was talking about Morse Code and Amateur Radio. Let's listen in.

SUMMARY (120 seconds):Intro by Peter VK1PE
Chris VK1GG demonstrating Morse to Ginger Gorman, the ABC presenter.
Peter VK1PE talking about the 137kHz band and the need for Morse to be used.
Ginger Gorman talks about 'enthusiasm' for Morse.
Chris talks about the 'romance' of the code.
Sign-off by Peter VK1PE.
VK1WIA STUDIO:
Peter said they were immediately followed by a short pre-recorded interview with two Navy veterans from the Korea War who talked about Morse's use back then; and, the next segment was about communication between ants. (Laugh!)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

EMDRC HEY YOU!

Yes, You! Where are you going?

VK3's Eastern and Mountain District Radio Club's Annual White Elephant Sale
is in the other direction!
Doors open at 10am on Sunday the 25th of March
at the Great Ryrie Primary School, Great Ryrie Street Heathmont.

Some tables still available and full details at EMDRC.COM.AU

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

The South East Queensland ATV group's Digital TV repeater is one step closer.

Their boards have arrived!

The club's technical officer Martin VK4JVC is busy installing the digital boards
in boxes ready for testing.

Stay tuned for further updates.

(Alan VK4NA)

SUNSHINE COAST NEWS

Col McCamley Award, we are joined by Gordon VK4VP who, speaking on qnews,
best heard when you listen to wiaq.org.au says that as part of the
Sunny Coasts AGM an award is presented to a club member who has provided
outstanding service to the club in the previous year.

"This is in memory of Col McCamley who is now a silent key but did a huge
amount of work getting the club going in the early years. This was voted on
and Roy VK4ARS was named as the recipient this year. Roy has been running
the good morning net on Mondays for quite a few years and the weekly 2m SSB
net on Sunday nights. Roy is always available for checks and handing out
contest points from his lofty perch up at Flaxton."

More from the SCARC in this weeks QNEWS text and audio.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Tasmania's Torpedo Boat

After the gradual draw-down of the British Garrison 1850-1870, and the perceived
threat of a Russian invasion, senior Royal Engineer defence experts,

Sir William Jervois and Colonel Peter Scratchley were sent to the Australasian Colonies to advise them to their best means of defence.

Among Scatchley's recommendations was the purchase of Torpedo boats, and the Tasmanian Government obtained one 2nd Class torpedo boat from celebrated British builder, J.I.Thornycroft & Son.

This presentation is given by retired HEC engineer Donald Chisholm-Smith on 29 March 2012from 7:30pm at the Royal Engineers Building.

If intending to attend then let Catherine know on 6234 2228 or email: creading@engineersaustralia.org.au

Thanks to Richard Rogers VK7RO for passing on the information

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO

North West Tassie News

Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club

The CCARC would like to advise all shortwave listeners and ex CB'ers who may be thinking of trying for a foundation licence or better, that they have a very experienced team of accredited licence examiners who are only too pleased to answer any information that you may require to obtain your Amateur Licence and they are happy to provide their services at any reasonable time to suit the individual without waiting for more than one applicant, Licence testing is basically available on command and if necessary will travel to the applicant, this also applies to anyone wishing to upgrade to the next level or going for the big one.

Check out Cradle Coast Club in the vk7 section of club pages, wia.org.au

What use is an f-call?

I keep having the same conversation, almost word-for-word, over and over again. I cannot do anything with just 10 Watts, it's not enough, it's useless, I cannot make any contacts, no-one hears me, I'm wasting my time.

The United Arab Emirates and Denmark, are two countries far from our shores. Seemingly these two have nothing in common, other than that we share our globe with their citizens. However, these two countries were contacted by an F-call last week with a 4/9 signal report.

This time it wasn't me making
the contact it was another station who is free to brag about their contact to the community. I'm bring it up here because it's not just me saying that you can make contacts, it's not just me making contacts, there are many amateurs who on a daily basis make contacts across the planet. Some of them hold a foundation license.

What it takes to achieve is some patience and a dose of luck. Neither of which are hard to come by or hard to achieve. Sitting at the radio for a few hours will likely get you a result.

Don't despair if it doesn't, try again, try a different band, check your radio settings, is your antenna pointing in the right direction? Is it connected? See if you can make a local contact and nut out if there are ways to improve your signal.

It keeps coming back to the same thing. Amateur Radio isn't an Instant Gratification kind of activity. It's one where some preparation and patience goes a long way. If you're looking for a quick fix, get on the Internet. If you want to get a sense of personal achievement, try making a long distance contact. There are amateurs on air all day long calling CQ, just waiting for a call from a station on the other side of the globe - this is your domain as much as it is theirs.

I cannot make you push the PTT button, but I can encourage you to have a go.

I've seen a ten year old key the mike like an old hand, if he can do it, so can you. It won't bite!

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, Southgate AR Club, the ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

NEW US 60 METER RULES NOW IN EFFECT

Effective Monday, March 5th United States radio amateurs were granted new operating privileges on the 60 meter band. In addition to an increase in effective radiated power from 50 to 100 watts, hams can now transmit CW and PSK31. More information on what modes can be used on what frequencies is on-line at the ARRL website.

JAPAN HOME TO WORLDS TALLEST BROADCAST TOWER

A ceremony to mark the completion of the world's tallest freestanding broadcasting tower was held in Tokyo on Friday, March 2nd. Construction on the Tokyo Sky Tree tower began in 2008. It was completed a few days prior to its dedication ceremony.

The Sky Tree stands 2,080 feet tall and is claimed to be the tallest structure of its type ever built. It will eventually be the home of most broadcasting and two-way radio operations in that city.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

RESCUE FROM RADIO TOWER: NAKED CLIMBER REMOVED FROM ATOP LOS ANGELES RADIO TOWER

>From the wEIRD AND wONDerFUL file comes the story of a naked man atop a downtown Los Angeles radio tower who was wrapped in a blanket and lowered to

safety by a makeshift pulley system on Wednesday night February 8th.

The unidentified tower climber was believed to be in his 30s or 40s and possibly an Arizona resident. It was unclear why he climbed the 220 foot high structure, which is part of a city personnel building just west of downtown L.A..

Witnesses say that he removed items of clothing after he began scaling the tower about 4 p.m. Pacific time just prior to sundown. His rescue went without incident after he asked to be given some MacDonalds hamburgers.

The mission which involved a heavy presence of Los Angeles Fire Department personnel was completed at about 9:45 Pacific Standard Time. Police said that the man will not be charged with a crime and his name will not be released.

(LA Times, LA Weekly, others via ARNewsLine)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK JOHN MOYLE MEMORIAL FIELD DAY TODAY March 17-18
WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres SSB May 5
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 160metres SSB June 25
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

In DX, word that the AX stroke VK0TH operation from Macquarie Island, the December 2011 and January 2012 9U3TMM DXpedition to Burundi and the 2011 6-Oh-Zero M operation from Somalia have all now been approved for DXCC credit.

Also approved is the current T6BP operation from Afghanistan.

If you had any of these operations rejected in a recent application send a note to bmoore@arrl.org to have your record updated.

B Moore notes that the AX stroke VK0TH operation is in addition to the VK0TH that has already been approved for DXCC recognition.

FLEMISH RADIO AMATEURS COMMEMORATE THE SINKING OF THE TITANIC
100 YEARS AGO

Three special call signs will be activated from
April 1st to the 30th from Belgium by the Flemish
Radio Amateurs organization. This to honor those
who perished 100 years ago in the sinking of the steam ship Titanic.

OO100MGY by operated from the city of
Antwerp. OR100MGY will take to the air from
Knokke-Heist while OT100MGY will be on from Londerzeel.

During the weekend of April 14 through April 15,
all three stations will be active during a
marathon session from 12:00 Saturday until 16:00
Sunday UTC. Each of these stations has a special
and unique QSL card available so that three
different styles can be acquired.

BRAZIL BANS PY0S DX OPERATIONS

The Southgate News reports that radio amateur are
now prohibited from operating DXpeditions from
the Brazilian Archipelago of Saint Peter and
Saint Paul also known as PY0S. This is a remote
group of islands near the equator whose maximum
elevation is only 18 about meters above sea
level. It's also the nearest point of Brazil to
Africa, lying about 1820 kilometers from Guinea
Bissau. St. Peter & St. Paul was rated number 16
in 2011 DXCC list of most wanted entities.

In a report credited to PS8RF and the Brazilian
Amateur Radio League and some DX groups in Brazil
have shown their displeasure with this government
ban in postings on various social
websites. PS8RF told Southgate that there is
already a major mobilization by the Brazilian ham
community aimed at urging the nations Senators
and Federal Representatives to reverse the
decision on the to ban. PS8RF notes that the
biggest concern among Brazilian hams is that this
decision could open unheard restrictions to other
entities in Brazil as in other parts of the world
where there is no amateur radio activity.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

DRM COMING TO INDIA

All India Radio has outlined its digitization
plan. This during the 18th Annual Broadcast
Engineering Society of India event.

According to All India Radio Director General, a pair of one megawatt transmitters at Rajkot and Kolkata are likely to be operational by the end of March and an additional 72 Digital Radio Mondiale transmitters would be commissioned between June of this year and March 2013.

The ongoing rollout by All India Radio has gained the interest of receiver manufacturers, who were present at the event with their latest products. Digital Radio Mondiale member companies Nautel, Digidia, Fraunhofer, Harris and Thomson Broadcast attended the conference this year.

(Radio Magazine via arnewsline)

MEDIA WATCH

W5LFL AND W5KWQ - MAN ON A MISSION - THE MOVIE

We travel back in time to 1983.

That's when then NASA astronaut and ham operator Owen Garriott, W5LFL, made the first manned amateur radio transmission from space. His pioneering effort from flight STS-9 paved the way for todays International Space Station ARISS program.

Several decades later, Owen's son Richard, W5KWQ, would fly to the ISS and use the same method to talk to his dad and many others here on planet Earth. Now, these historic moments have been captured in the exciting new documentary titled Man on a Mission. A film that reveals Richard Garriotts quest to become the first second generation American in space.

A DVD release is planned for May 2012. More about this documentary is on-line at firstrunfeatures.com

(Firstrun Features VIA ARNEWSLINE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV

A VIDEO TOUR OF W1AW

In case you missed the live web tour of the February 12th of ARRL headquarters' flagship station W1AW you can now watch the 18 minute video on the ARRL website. In the show W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, led Geoff Fox, K1GF, on a tour of the famed station. Al Petrunti, KA1TCH, of the New Day Group recording it for future netcasting.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Connecting Students with Space

The GENSO project features in an article in the February 2012 edition of the free magazine ESA Bulletin.

GENSO is a worldwide network of education and amateur radio ground stations linked together via the internet.

Student satellite teams can normally only gather around 20 minutes of data per day from their satellite using their own ground station.

GENSO will give them free access to potentially hundreds of stations around the globe and increase their data return to many hours per day.
It will also allow them to command their spacecraft from the other side of the world.

GENSO http://www.genso.org/

(sourced to southgate)

Matt Bennett KF6RTB reports that the amateur radio CubeSat, Radio Auroral Explorer 2 (RAX-2), has detected the communication-disrupting anomaly in the upper atmosphere it was searching for.

The team express their thanks to the amateur radio community.

The primary objective of the mission is to use the onboard radar receiver in conjunction with a powerful radar station in Alaska to study the formation of a plasma anomaly known for causing the scintillation of radio signals in the UHF and higher bands. This scintillation effect is known to inhibit our space radar tracking capabilities and ground-space communications.

Studying this anomaly in this bi-static radar configuration (ground based transmitter, space-base receiver) will provide scientists with a better understanding of these anomalies that has not been achievable with ground radars alone.

(sourced to southgate)

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - LOW DOWN

UK SPECIAL 600 METER PERMITS EXTENDED

AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE say UK Notices of Variation to amateur licenses for special research permits to operate in the band 501 to 504 kHz have been extended to December 31st 2012.

This as telecommunications regulator Ofcom has begun discussions with the Radio Society of Great Britain about the timetable for implementing the new secondary allocation to the amateur service, 472 to 479 kHz that was recently approved at WRC-12.

The agreed upon availability date for this band to begin to become available for administrations world-wide to

begin proceedings to open to their ham radio communities is
effective as of January 1st, 2013.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

MAR 18 VK7 This weekend Sewing Circle Nets "Meet the Voice BBQ" at Ross.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on
wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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343. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-018E - Public Information Officer appointed tothe Field Organization National Secretariat

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RAC Bulletin 2012-018E - Public Information Officer appointed to the
Field Organization National Secretariat
2012-03-15

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I am extremely pleased to announce the appointment of Alan Bauld
VE3CBR to the Field Organization National Secretariat effective
immediately. Alan resides in Stittsville, Ontario just outside Ottawa,
and will be a welcome addition to our ever growing team.

Alan has an impressive CV and I'll list just a couple of highlights.

- Holds a Master of Arts in Education
- Bachelor of Arts in Geography/Anthropology
- Has an Electronics Technology Diploma
- Has other qualifications and certificates too numerous to mention
- He is currently Eastern Canadian Storage Architect with Softchoice Canada
- Has experience as a Professor and Lecturer
- He is a Lieutenant and Training Officer in the Canadian Forces Reserves with the 736 Communications Squadron
- Has published many, many articles.

Alan, I join with the entire National Secretariat, RAC Board of
Directors and RAC Executive and say welcome aboard. We look forward to
working with you.

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Doug Mercer VO1DTM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer - Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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344. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 16 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-16 16:58:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410abb21aa104bb5f1f3c@google.com>
Source record: 3361
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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100th Anniversary Titanic Special Event WS/QRP

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 11:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338171-100th-Anniversary-Titanic-Special-Event-WS-QRP&goto=newpost

April 13, 2012

7:00 p m to 10:00 p m

Frequencies

40 Meters 7.055 to 7.060 MHz

80 Meter 3.555 to 3.560 MHZ

This will be a slow speed event - we will adjust speed for the calling station. Expect speeds from 8 to 13 WPM

Remember this is "QRP" - slow and steady is the rule, no speed demons, please!

Please check our web site for QSL info www.w0s.org

This is not a contest, this is a commemoration of the operators that stuck with the ship on that fateful cold night to get out the CQD/SOS.

We honor respect their commitment to saves lives.

WØS will make every effort to answer any and all calls made to us. Please be patient and space out your calls.

If you have any questions, please communicate to erecom@hotmail.com, K9ZTV@socket.net

Thank you.

Kent Trimble K9ZTV, Al Gallo WØERE

TITANIC WØS/QRP event coordinators, Branson, Mo.qsl2012front.jpg

Attached Images

qsl2012front.jpg
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100th Anniversary Titanic Special Event WS

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 10:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338169-100th-Anniversary-Titanic-Special-Event-WS&goto=newpost

WØS special event is only 29 days away!!! Have you ordered your limited addition shirt yet???? The dead line is March 20th!
www.w0s.orgIMG_2557.JPGIMG_2558.JPG

Please watch are website the day of the Special event for bands and operating frequencies!! Also follow us on twitter for up dates!! K0ADI@titanichams, Also like our facebook page to get live video and updates that weekend!!
http://www.facebook.com/pages/WS-TIT...T/296368771443
www.w0s.org How to order the WØS shirts is on the website!

Attached Images

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345. eHam.net News for Friday 16 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-16 22:13:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5299739bb95ab04bb638559@google.com>
Source record: 3362
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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New Kensington Ham Radio Group Goes 'Old-School' Global:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 06:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27928

He has to listen closely to hear through the static, but University of Pittsburgh student Geoff Wolf can just barely make out the strained beeps of Morse code emanating from somewhere in the south Asian country of Sri Lanka. Wolf, of Harrisburg, belongs to the Skyview Radio Society, an amateur ham radio group that draws members from throughout Western Pennsylvania. Members meet at their radio station and clubhouse in New Kensington and broadcast locally and throughout the world. "All you need is a radio, a wire and a power source," said Larry Kelley of Murrysville, one of about 80 society members. "People will get on and see how many folks throughout the world they can talk to." In today's age of cellphones, the Internet and numerous other modes of communication, it might seem quaint that ham radio is still around. But it has a distinct advantage over many other forms of modern communication.

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John W. Watson, W9MGI (SK):

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 06:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27927

Aledo, Ill. -- John William Watson, 92 of Preemption, passed away Tuesday March 13, 2012 at the Monmouth Nursing Home. Funeral service will be Saturday March 17, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the Corman Memorial Home Roseville. Family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Roseville Cemetery, Roseville. Memorials may be made to the Preemption United Methodist Church or Roseville American Legion. Please sign the online guestbook at www.cormanmh.com. Corman Memorial Home in Roseville is in charge of the arrangements.
He was born June 23, 1919 in Roseville, the son of Tracy Ivan and Lula Fisher Watson. He married C. Maxine Wallis on July 3, 1949 at the Roseville United Methodist Church. He graduated from Roseville High School in 1937. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps April 1, 1941 and served overseas until the end of WWII as an aircraft radio repairman. He was employed by the Rock Island Arsenal from April 1949 to Oct.2007 - 58 years. He was an avid amateur radio operator since 1937 along with two high school buddies Kirk Sanderson and George Kirkpatrick who have continued to keep a weekly schedule throughout the years W9MGI. John also

enjoyed fishing.

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Listen to Solar Storm Activity in New Sonification Video:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 06:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27926

(PhysOrg.com) -- What does a solar storm sound like? It's a "sonification" of measurements from two spacecraft during the most recent storm. Take a listen in this video. This sonification of the recent solar storm activity turns data from two spacecraft into sound. It uses measurements from the NASA SOHO spacecraft and the University of Michigan's Fast Imaging Plasma Spectrometer (FIPS) on NASA's MESSENGER spacecraft at Mercury. The creator is Robert Alexander, a design science doctoral student at the University of Michigan and NASA fellow. The researcher who created it is Robert Alexander, a University of Michigan design science doctoral student. Alexander is a composer with a NASA fellowship to study how representing information as sound could aid in data mining.

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ARNewsline Report 1805 -- Nov 16 2012:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 06:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27925

The following is a QST. More on ham radios role in the wake of a recent tornado outbreak; FEMA asks the FCC to permit text to speech EAS transmissions; interference from ocean buoys discovered on 10 meters and a DXpedition to Mali is cancelled due to political unrest in that nation. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1805 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #11:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 01:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27921

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, XQ7UP, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 01:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27920

This Week in Radiosport:

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Hams in IN, KY and OH Provide Support During and After Tornado Outbreak:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 01:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27919

A devastating storm system moved across the United States on March 2, spawning a slew of tornadoes that contributed to at least 28 fatalities in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. These tornadoes followed an earlier outbreak that began on February 28 and left 13 dead across Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee and battered parts of Kentucky.

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Understanding the New 60 Meter Privileges:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27918

On March 5, radio amateurs were granted new privileges on the 60 meter band. The effective radiated power level was increased from 50 to 100 W, along with the ability to use CW and the digital modes PACTOR III and PSK31.

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Mark Your Calendars: It's Time for the Spring FMT:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27917

The Frequency Measuring Test (FMT) continues its successful "round-table" format when it takes to the airwaves on the evening of April 19 (April 20 UTC). The test moves to Thursday from the November FMT's usual Wednesday evening, giving everyone an opportunity to participate.

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The ARRL Homebrew Challenge III -- and the Winner Is...

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27916

The previous ARRL Homebrew Challenges have been to build a 5 W PEP 40 meter sideband and CW transceiver (Homebrew Challenge I) and then a 50 W linear amplifier to follow it (Homebrew Challenge II). This third challenge moved up the spectrum into frequencies that might be of interest to Technician class amateurs -- 10 and 6 meters.

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FCC Seeks to Modify Hawaiian Ham's License:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27915

On March 15, the FCC issued an Order Proposing Modification, seeking to change the license class of Todd Wilson, WH6DWF, of Honolulu, Hawaii, from General to Technician. The FCC stated that granting General class Amateur Radio operator privileges to Wilson was

"improper." In November 2011, the ARRL VEC sent an electronic data file to the FCC, requesting that the FCC issue Wilson a new General class license. Based on this application, the FCC granted Wilson a General class license on November 29, 2011.

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W1AW Announces Spring Operating Schedule:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27914

With the switch from Standard Time to Daylight Saving Time, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW operating schedule to reflect the change.

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ARRL Seeks Comments on Proposed 9 cm Band Plan:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 01:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27913

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received. Thanks to all of you who took the time to share information with us.

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ARRL Warns Members to Be Aware of Bogus E-Mails:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27912

Some ARRL members with arrl.net e-mail accounts have recently received bogus e-mails, notifying them of a bill that supposedly needs to be paid. The e-mail instructs the reader to click on a link to view the bill; clicking on the link could release a virus that can infect your computer. Please be aware that these e-mails are not coming from the ARRL.

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Enter the Seventh Annual ARRL Photo Contest!

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27911

Have you ever wanted to see a photo of yours in QST, the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Calendar or another ARRL publication? Well, here's your chance! If you're among the winners, not only will your photographic skill be propagated far and wide, but we're offering $100 as the First Prize. The winning photo and three runners-up will be published in QST.

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AmateurLogic.TV 37: Near Space Adventure:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27909

It's time for the Olde Town Middle School Annual Balloon Launch. The balloon had a payload of many science experiments and radio equipment. VHF Voice Beacon and APRS, HF 20 Meter CW, RTTY, and Domino digital modes. Learn more about the firsts that this club has already produced, with plans to break their records this year. Launch the balloon and track it to an unplanned destination. Plus they recover all of the gear and Near Space pictures.

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W0S /QRP Titanic Special Event:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27908

This will be a slow speed event - we will adjust speed for the calling station. Expect speeds from 8 to 13 WPM
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GCARC Hamfest:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27906

The Gloucester City Amateur Radio Club (GCARC) is having a spring Hamfest on Saturday, March 24, 2012. Gloucester City is located at the base of the Walt Whitman Bridge in N.J.

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Need Legal help NY -- Dutchess County:

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27898

I am writing this letter in hopes that I may get some really needed help and support from the ham community at large. My name is Myles N2EHG, I am a telecommunications engineer and radio amateur. I live in a small town outside of Poughkeepsie New York. I moved there a year ago to take care of my mother, who is ill and needs around the clock care. My idea was to enjoy the quiet and beauty of the area in hopes that the setting would help my mother improve and allow me also to enjoy my only hobby, amateur radio.

346. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-019E - RAC Operating Manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-17 03:30:17 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F64039B.2040608@rac.ca>
Source record: 3363
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-019E - RAC Operating Manual
2012-03-16

The RAC Ottawa office has 6 of these manuals in stock. They can be ordered for $42.00 plus shipping and handling plus GST or HST. Either order online or directly from the RAC office @ 877-273-8304

Frank Greene
Office Manager

*The RAC Operating Manual - Third Edition
Survival Skills for the Active Radio Amateur - All Bands, Activities and Modes*

*Edited by Geoff Smith - VA3GS

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

347. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 17 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-17 11:07:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8a7e6bcad804bb6e539b@google.com>
Source record: 3364
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Public Information Officer appointed to the Field Organization National Secretariat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R3CBF8cMqno/rac_public_information_officer.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Amateurs of Canada have announced the appointment of Alan Bauld VE3CBR to the Field Organization National Secretariat effective immediately

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Complete collection of QRPp Journal is online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PhwTtmS3nfw/complete_collection_of_qrp_journal_is_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The QRPp Journal covered low power construction projects, and all editions from June 1993 until the final issue in 2004 are now available for free download

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RSGB Olympics Facilitator appointed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nm7_hJ59b6o/rsgb_olympics_facilitator_appointed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has announced that Steve Fletcher, G4RFC, has agreed to become the RSGB's Olympic Facilitator

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Test jump from 21.8 km

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tUHLB54V3Zw/test_jump_from_21_8_km.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Later this year Felix Baumgartner aims to jump from the edge of space at 36.6 km. On March 15 he made a successful test jump from an altitude of 21.8 km

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Audio input for iPod Touch

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZbaH-uVUnbw/audio_input_for_ipod_touch.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Roger G3XBM has documented how he managed to get his iPod Touch to work
with external audio input

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZfaT1XTZCZ8/march_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers over the past reporting week (March 8-14)
were 88.3, a rise of nearly 19 points. Average daily solar flux rose over
12 points to 134.2

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-17 16:07:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1805 March 16 2012

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 10:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338247-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1805--March-16-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1805 ☐ March 16 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1805 with a release date of March 16th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. More on ham radios role in the wake of a recent tornado outbreak; FEMA asks the FCC to permit text to speech EAS transmissions; interference from ocean buoys discovered on 10 meters and a DXpedition to Mali is cancelled due to political unrest in that nation. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1805 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: ARES HAMS FILL MULTIPLE ROLES DURING KENTUCKY SEVERE WEATHER OUTBREAK

Amateur Radio operators in Hardin and surrounding Kentucky counties provided critical communications during and after the severe weather outbreaks on February 29th, and again on Saturday March 3rd. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, is here with the details:

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-17 16:49:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Source record: 3366
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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CQIR log name

Posted: 17 Mar 2012 04:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338388-CQIR-log-name&goto=newpost

Hi Can anyone tell me if N1mm supports todays CQIR contest and what is the
log name please

Tks

M6ZSE/Paul

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Titanic Centenary Crossband event longwave - shortwave

Posted: 17 Mar 2012 02:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338376-Titanic-Centenary-Crossband-event-longwave-sho
rtwave&goto=newpost

On centenary of the loss of british luxery liner RMS Titanic there will be
a special crossband event on 14th April 22:30 gmt until 15th April 02:00
gmt on national weather service station DDH47 (147,3 kHz) at Pinneberg
Germany. Especially longwave friends are inveted to tune in and listen on
qrss3 transmissions of the names of radio officers. Long distance reports
are welcome. Check homepage URL: http://www.doese-apprt.de/mrd/titanic.html
- for the crew of the radio group Deutscher Wetterdienst Juergen - dl8hci +

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South Dakota QSO Party April 21 - 22 2012

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 08:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338366-South-Dakota-QSO-Party-April-21-22-2012&goto=n
ewpost

This is your chance to make contact with the "5" active hams in South
Dakota. (just kidding)

We hope to have a good showing for this years QSO party including a few
rover stations. Please pass this on to your email lists and message boards.
Anyone who wants to request the activation of rare counties can email
brian@k0mcm.com and we will see what we can do.

Thanks to the Dakota Terrirtory DX & Contest Club for creating the website for the QSO Party

Stay tuned for an announcement of a new South Dakota Worked All Counties Award

Event and awards sponsored by the Dakota Amateur Radio Network

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U.S.S. South Dakota Memorial W0B

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 08:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338365-U-S-S-South-Dakota-Memorial-W0B&goto=newpost

Greetings From South Dakota:

We are excited about the U.S.S. South Dakota Memorials first (official) participation in the Museum Ships Weekend June 2 and 3rd 2012. During the past several years we have been on the air for a few hours for the event but never been apart of the official list of participating stations. Other groups have activated the Battleship Memorial on Veterans Day and other times of the year.

We have a website for our special event station thanks to the Dakota Territory DX & Contest Club. This year we will be selling T-shirts (Cotton Plaques) for the special event station. There is a photograph and information available on the website.

If you have any questions about visiting the Battleship Memorial or the operation of the special event station feel free to contact me. I would be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

p.s. There may be some early activations of the Battleship Memorial in April and May stay tuned for more details.

73

Brian Ward K0MCM

QSL Manager W0B Special Event Station

www.k0mcm.com

www.dtdxcc.org

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Ws/qrp event on friday, april 13th (cw only)

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 12:30 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338250-Ws-qrp-event-on-friday-april-13th-(cw-only)&goto=newpost

QRP EVENT ON FRIDAY, APRIL 13TH (CW ONLY)

To Kick-off the 100th Anniversary Commemoration of the Sinking of the Titanic

From Special Event Station WØS operating from the Titanic Museum in
Branson, Missouri

April 13, 2012

7:00 p m to 10:00 p m CDT

Frequencies

40 Meters 7.055 to 7.060 MHz

80 Meter 3.555 to 3.560 MHZ

Remember this is "QRP" 5watts or less-

Please check our website (www.w0s.org) for QSL instructions

This is not a contest, this is a commemoration of the operators who stayed
with the ship on that fateful cold night to send the CQD/SOS distress
signal.

We honor respect their commitment to saves lives.

WØS will make every effort to answer any and all calls made to us. Please
be patient and space out your calls.

If you have any questions, please communicate to erecom@hotmail.com or
K9ZTV@socket.net

Thank you.

Kent Trimble, K9ZTV & Al Gallo, WØERE

TITANIC WØS/QRP Event Coordinators, Branson, Mo.

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GB1SPD Special Event Station

Posted: 15 Mar 2012 12:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338178-GB1SPD-Special-Event-Station&goto=newpost

St Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland and is celebrated on the 17th of
March each year.

Special event station GB1SPD will operate on 17th March 2012.

GB1SPD is the callsign issued to West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club to
celebrate St Patrick's Day.

As part of Omagh District Council's St Patrick's Day Connecting Cultures @
Strule Arts Centre the club will be QRV on HF, VHF, UHF, DSTAR and Echolink

from the arts centre on the 17th March from 12:00 until 17:00 UTC.

A special QSL card is being designed for the event; all contacts will receive the special QSL card.

Around 17,280 people live in Omagh town and the town is now, with the exception of Derry/Londonderry, the second largest town in the west of Northern Ireland. It is the County town of Tyrone. Located where the Camowen and Drumragh rivers come together to form the Strule, the town is said to owe its origins to an abbey founded in 792 AD.

Omagh is situated 70 miles from Belfast and 34 miles from Derry/Londonderry and is the perfect launch pad to explore the beauty of the local countryside and an ideal stopover for visitors travelling to and from the Republic of Ireland.

http://www.omagh.gov.uk

http://www.struleartscentre.co.uk

http://wtarc.co.uk

350. SARL News in English 17/3/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-17 18:38:15 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <7ECCD3D7D4BE4059B6DCDBE1EED05815@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3367
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 18 MARCH 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it is announced that the key of Jeff Mosmann, ZR6JPO, became silent on 24th Feb 2012. Jeff suffered a heart attack while driving from Durban back to his home in Johannesburg.

Our sincere condolences to his relatives and friends.

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In the news today:

BIRTHPLACE OF RADIO BECOMES A CITY

LISTEN AGAIN TO THE INTECNET

EXTRA-GALACTIC MILESTONE FOR SOUTH AFRICA'S KAT-7 TELESCOPE

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

BIRTHPLACE OF RADIO BECOMES A CITY

Chelmsford, acknowledged as the birthplace of radio and home to the Marconi Company for many years, is one of three new cities created to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. This year also marks the 100th anniversary of the establishment by Marconi of the first purpose built radio factory in New Street, Chelmsford in 1912. New Street is marked with a blue plaque noting the historic significance.

LISTEN AGAIN TO THE INTECNET

If you missed last Sunday's INTECNET on antennas, you can listen to it again. You can download both the audio and PowerPoint files from www.sarl.org.za, select Amateur Radio TODAY from the left hand menu.

Vincent Harrison, ZS6BTY, discussed HF antennas to work DX, including dipoles, verticals and small beams. He also focused on the effect of the height above ground, radiation patterns and take-off angles and touched on antennas for 80 and 160 metres.

EXTRA-GALACTIC MILESTONE FOR SOUTH AFRICA'S KAT-7 TELESCOPE

South Africa's KAT-7 telescope, a seven-dish array which is a precursor to the much larger MeerKAT telescope in the Karoo and to the Square Kilometre Array, has reached another major milestone by observing the radio emission from the neutral hydrogen gas (HI) in a nearby galaxy. Hydrogen gas emits radio emission in a spectral line at a very specific frequency of 1 420 MHz.

The astronomers pointed the telescope towards a galaxy called NGC 3 109 - a small spiral galaxy, about 4,3 million light-years away from Earth, located in the constellation of Hydra. The observation allowed them to see the HI radio emission of this galaxy, as well as to see how this galaxy is moving. Where the gas is moving towards us, the frequency of the spectral line is Doppler-shifted upwards; where the gas is moving away, the frequency is shifted down. In this way, astronomers can map the way in which all of the gas in the galaxy is moving.

"These exciting results achieved by KAT-7 have given us confidence that we know how to build a cutting-edge radio telescope in Africa to answer some of the fundamental questions in radio astronomy", says Dr Bernie Fanaroff, director of SKA South Africa. "Our team in the SKA South Africa Project and universities has again shown that they can deliver cutting-edge technology and do excellent science on a very tight schedule."

BUOYS ON 10 METRES

The source of some mysterious weak signals on 29,684 MHz with an 81,9 Baud and 130 Hz shift have been located. According to the February IARU Region One newsletter, the signals came from the Spanish coastal area and were audible across all of Europe but only during band openings and only by directional antennas.

It turns out the source of transmissions is by Datawell buoys. These buoys, produced in the Netherlands, are used for measuring water temperatures and wave heights. They are designed to transmit with 75 milliwatts on frequencies between 27 and 40 MHz.

Dick Van Empelen, PA2GRU, of Heemstede in the Netherlands has since visited the Datawell Company and has informed them that the buoy transmissions on the amateur service in the 10 metre band are illegal. The operations chief undertook to inform all Datawell offices about the situation. Here is challenge for amateurs in Africa and South Africa to listen for some very weak signals. The frequency is 29,684 MHz. Make a

recording and send it to artoday@sarl.org.za.

SARL OFFICE CLOSED

Remember, the SARL office will be closed during March as Mariska Faasen is overseas on holiday visiting family. Between Henry Chamberlain and Francois Botha they will attend to emails and telephone messages. Please send emails to the usual address admin@sarl.org.za.

MAINTENANCE TO SARLNEWS AND SARLNUUS MAIL LISTS

This item has been received from Peter, ZS6PHD, who did a lot of housekeeping on the SARL website: The SARL website contains a facility to allow anyone to receive a copy of SARLNews or SARLnuus automatically via email. Some major housekeeping has now been done to the email list, and many invalid email addresses have been removed.

For technical reasons it is possible that one or two valid email addresses have also been removed. If you have stopped receiving your email news bulletin, or wish to sign up, please go to the SARL web site at www.sarl.org.za, and select News / Nuus by email on the left-hand side.

Please make this problem known to your friends who may suffer this problem.

CONTEST NEWS

Results, SARL Digital Contest - February 2012

9 logs were received for this contest. According to the logs the following band contacts were made 40 m = 108, 20 m = 52. 131 x PSK and 29 x RTTY contacts were also made. It was also nice to receive the first DX log from VU2UR. The results are as follows 1st ZR6MS 385 2nd ZS6A 368 3rd ZS6PX 360 4th ZS2J 351 points.

The full results will appear in the HF Happenings.

WESTERN CAPE ANTIQUE WIRELESS ASSOCIATION EXPO

The Western Cape section of the Antique Wireless Association of South Africa will be holding an Expo which will be open each day for the whole of the Easter long weekend, 6th to 9th April at the farm QTH near Stanford of John and Judy Martin, ZS1D, and ZS1JEG. A large display of radios of yesteryear and associated equipment will be on show and a classic radio station will be in operation.

GPS coordinates for the farm are 34 25,458S and 19 24,922E. There will be call in on 145,500 and on the Hermanus repeater on 14,725.

The focal point will be from 16:00 SAST on Saturday which will commence with presentations by AWA President Richard, ZS6TF, and other members on some of the equipment and their restoration projects. An interactive discussion forum will follow for anyone to contribute or for those who need questions answered or need assistance. There will be a bring and

braai in the evening and for those who wish to camp over on the Saturday night, just bring your camping kit as there are camping facilities on the farm.

Please contact organizer and AWA committee member John, ZS1WJ, on 082 673 5337 for more information, and to let him know if you are attending. Visitors are encouraged to bring an antique radio to exhibit, maybe a restoration project, homebrew, or "as found" to add to the interest of the Expo.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is dropping off now that huge sunspot 1 429 has rotated out of view of the Earth. It sure was fun while it lasted.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 57.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with even some 6 m openings possible.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

18 March - SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital contest ends today at 12:00 CAT. 30 March - Last day to submit items on regulatory issues for discussion with ICASA to artoday@sarl.org.za. 21 March - ZS6ERB construction day. 6-9 April - Western Cape Antique Wireless Association Ekspo near Stanford, contact John, ZS1WJ, on 082 673 5337 for more information. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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351. eHam.net News for Saturday 17 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-17 22:04:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340b3d6e1f7104bb77818b@google.com>
Source record: 3368
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Operators to Gather at St. Patrick's Day Hamfest:

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27934

While those attending this weekend's St. Patrick's Day Hamfest may not all know each other by name, they likely will recognize each other's call signs. Randy Karch, president of the Midland Amateur Radio Club, has been known for about 30 years by the sign N50VH. Others opt for "vanity call signs" that are made up of their initials or stand for their favorite team. Whatever the jumble of letters, Karch said the call sign is a signature for those who pride themselves on their status as a "ham" or amateur radio operator. "We try to promote our own self-learning, self-study, self-participation," he said. The group will share secrets of their trade with the public during Saturday's 57th annual St. Patrick's Day Hamfest and ARRL West Texas Section Convention. The event is planned for 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Downtown Lion's Club and will include informational booths, competitions and demonstrations.

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Prevention is In the Air: Getting Ready for National Public Health Week:

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27933

"CQ, CQ Celebrating National Public Health Week!" "CQ, CQ Celebrating National Public Health Week!" If you're an aficionado of amateur radio -- or ham radio as it's also known -- this is the call you might hear coming out of Oklahoma City on April 6. In layman's terms, it means "Calling all stations, calling all stations! Celebrating National Public Health Week!" In honor of this year's National Public Health Week observance, which runs April 2-8, officials with the Oklahoma City-County Health Department will hold a special drill in which all of its amateur communications equipment will be activated and users will attempt to make as many contacts as possible within 24 hours. It's not your typical National Public Health Week activity, but it may be the most unique. "With amateur radio, the best way to learn to communicate effectively is to immerse yourself," said Dave Cox, deputy director of the Oklahoma City-County Health Department and a 25-year ham radio operator. "Our ultimate last option when everything else fails is amateur radio." Amateur radio is part of the department's emergency response toolkit and allows officials to continue to communicate with staff in the field as well as fellow first responders in the event that a

disaster disables traditional communication channels. As Cox said, "you can take everything else down...and ham radio still works." This is the second year the department has held a National Public Health Week-inspired amateur radio drill. Last year, Cox said operators made contact with fellow ham radio operators in 32 states and four different countries.

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SCRAMS Special Event Radio Station:

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27932

From April 12 through April 18th, a special event radio station will be established and demonstrations of wireless communications will be held at the Mystic Aquarium just off I95, Exit 90 in Mystic, CT. This event is being held as part of the aquarium's recognition of the 100th anniversary (April 15th) of the sinking of the Titanic. Come join us to learn about the Titanic's sinking; listen and learn how the ship sent wireless emergency messages. Try Morse code for yourself. View demonstrations of old and new amateur radio communications. Learn about the exciting hobby of Amateur Radio. Become part of this lifetime hobby!

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #11 de K7RA:

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 04:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27931

Average daily sunspot numbers over the past reporting week (March 8-14) were 88.3, a rise of nearly 19 points. Average daily solar flux rose over 12 points to 134.2.

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AmateurLogic.TV 37: Near Space Adventure:

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27930

It's time for the Olde Town Middle School Annual Balloon Launch. The balloon had a payload of many science experiments and radio equipment. VHF Voice Beacon and APRS, HF 20 Meter CW, RTTY, and Domino digital modes. Learn more about the firsts that this club has already produced, with plans to break their records this year. Launch the balloon and track it to an unplanned destination. Plus they recover all of the gear and Near Space pictures.

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NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) RX Prop Fcst 20-12:

Posted: 16 Mar 2012 04:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27929

The NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-12 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday March 16, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday

March 17, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday March 23, 2012.

352. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 18 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-18 11:05:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2345071b41d004bb826a7d@google.com>
Source record: 3369
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Western Cape Antique Wireless Association Expo

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_Wgs2PemFas/western_cape_antique_wireless_association_expo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B8Bwy4TQXJw/march_18.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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EME 2012 Conference Dinners

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XSw0OLRLvuA/eme_2012_conference_dinners.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

EME Conference Dinners provide a great opportunity to meet the leading
lights in the world of EME and weak signal communications and at EME 2012
in Cambridge there will be two dinners, one on Friday and one on Saturday

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Watch for packets from US Naval Academy Ice Goat 1 Buoy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jlNb_zxewPI/ice_goat_1_buoy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This month a group of Oceanography and Aeronautical engineering students
from the US Naval Academy, led by Lt. Commander John Woods, a military
instructor in oceanography, deployed a buoy rigged to monitor weather in
the harsh conditions of the arctic

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W5LFL and W5KWQ - Man On A Mission - the movie

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tzicgBtxGMg/man_on_a_mission.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We travel back in time to 1983. That's when then NASA astronaut and ham operator Owen Garriott, W5LFL, made the first manned amateur radio transmission from space

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International effort at sea gets UT1FG/MM back on satellites

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mW5tXAqrS5M/international_effort_at_sea.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Titanic QRP Event (CW ONLY)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5Eviz_iLf-U/titanic_qrp_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Special Event Station WØS will be operating from the Titanic Museum in Branson, Missouri

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AmateurLogic.TV 37: Near Space Adventure

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jmDZUCGi1Jc/amateur_logic_tv_37.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest edition of AmateurLogic.TV, ' Near Space Adventure', is now available

353. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 18 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-18 16:25:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2352f5283e6504bb86e372@google.com>
Source record: 3370
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-078 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 18 Mar 2012 07:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338522-ANS-078-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor@amsat.org

Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...012/Dayton.php for the latest AMSAT at Dayton news and developments

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AMSAT News Service Bulletin 078.01

From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

March 18, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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IARU Announces New Amateur Satellite Frequency Coordination Form

Frequency coordination for amateur radio satellites is provided by the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) through its Satellite Advisor, an official appointed by the IARU Administrative Council, its top policymaking body. This post is currently held by Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV.

Hans describes his role, "The IARU Satellite Advisor is assisted by an Advisory Panel of qualified amateurs from all three IARU Regions. The panel meets regularly via Skype to consider amateur satellite frequency coordination requests for satellites planned for operation on frequencies in the amateur service. The panel members often provide advice and assist satellite builders with the selection of the best possible frequencies to meet the objectives of their mission."

The Amateur Satellite Frequency Coordination request form has been updated (Version 27) and is available for download from: http://www.iaru.org/satellite.

On the IARU web satellite page there are also available a number of guideline documents which will assist satellite builders, including a document on the ITU requirements for Amateur Radio Satellites.

The list of amateur radio satellites coordinated by the IARU is posted on-line at: http://www.amsat.org.uk/iaru

[ANS thanks Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV for the above information]

Watch for Packets from US Naval Academy Ice Goat 1 Buoy

This month a group of Oceanography and Aeronautical engineering students from the US Naval Academy, led by Lt. Commander John Woods, a military instructor in oceanography, deployed a buoy rigged to monitor weather in the harsh conditions of the arctic. They delivered the "Ice Goat 1," buoy to the northern part of Alaska traveling by plane, then helicopter and finally snowmobile to the arctic ice off of the coast of Point Barrow, Alaska. Once the ice melts the buoy will begin its sea voyage.

Ice Goat 1 also carries an APRS beacon operating on 145.825 MHz. The position packets can be relayed via the ISS digipeater. However, the ISS only rises 1.5 degrees above the horizon at arctic latitudes. Reports of direct reception of the 145.825 MHz beacon are sought from any lucky

Alaskan, and perhaps eventually Pacific Northwest amateur radio stations (depending on ocean current) who may be in range. Please send reports of reception to: wb4apr@amsat.org.

This week, W3ADO, the US Naval Academy Amateur Radio Club has posted a notice via the ISS digipeater:

W3ADO]APRS,RS0ISS-3*,qAR,N4XS-3::BLN1 :APRS Arctic Buoy in Barrow Alaska. Watch for pkts!

The science mission of this buoy will broadcast webcam images and measure a variety of environmental parameters including air temperature, barometric pressure, and possibly under ice acoustics. As the buoy collects information about the surrounding parameters all data will be compiled on an internal data logger and transmitted back to USNA using an Iridium satellite data link.

[ANS thanks Bob Bruninga, WB4APR for the above information]

India HAMSAT VO-52 Recovery Successful

A report received from the ISRO Satellite Centre at Bangalore, India on March 14 says the HAMSAT VO-52 is back on the air. Mani, VU2WMY wrote, "The commands to 'Turn On' the PE1RAH Dutch transponder was successfully sent during 14:00 UT 35 deg ascending node pass over Bangalore, India. The commands were successfully received,

acknowledged and confirmed by telemetry. The beacon signal was heard loud and strong here at Bangalore."

Stations in Europe and North America reported good signals from VO-52 immediately after the transponder was activated. The beacon was heard with two-way contacts completed through the transponder.

The HAMSAT team requests detailed initial reports be sent to: tprangan@istrac.org and a copy to wmy@isac.gov.in

would be greatly appreciated.

HAMSAT VO-52 frequencies are:

Uplink: 435.2250 - 435.2750 MHz SSB/CW

Downlink: 145.9250 - 145.8750 MHz SSB/CW

Beacon: 145.8600 MHz CW

The CW beacon is sending: HI HI HI THIS IS VU SAT WITH THE DUTCH MODE UV TRANSPONDER MADE BY WILLIAM LEIJENAAR 73 DE PE1RAH

Upon successful recovery of VO-52 Mani, VU2WMY sent the following message on behalf of the HAMSAT team:

I take this opportunity to sincerely thank each and every

user and well wishers, who have been following and monitoring

closely all those events and activities that followed since

the interruption on 28th February 2012.

Thanks for all those encouraging and supporting expressions!

The initial telemetry reports indicated all the crucial and

critical parameters to be normal and satisfactory and we do

hope 'HAMSAT VO-52' would be available with much stronger power.

The overall spacecraft health is in 'Excellent Condition' and

all that we need to do is to monitor the transponder parameters.

14:05 UT on 14 March was a moment of great satisfaction and joy

to all of us here in bringing 'HAMSAT VO-52'back to life. It also

gives us great pleasure to note that 'HAMSAT VO-52'from India/ISRO

has a earned a name in the history of 'Amateur Radio Satellites'.

On behalf of everyone, I take this opportunity to sincerely thank

particularly, Mr. Parimalarangan-Operations Director for his hard

work and great efforts besides his exemplary technical competence

and skills exhibited in recovering back 'HAMSAT VO-52'.

Also my sincere thanks to Mission Director Mr. R. Suresh and the

entire 'HAMSAT VO-52' Mission Management and Project teams for all

the support, encouragement and recognition provided to 'Amateur

Radio World'.

My Good wishes to VO-52 and the transponders on-board for a 'Healthy

and Long Life'. My Good wishes & greetings, once again to William,

PE1RAH.[ANS thanks Mani, VU2WMY, Secretary & Station-In-Charge of the Upagrah Amateur Radio Club VU2URC at the ISRO Satellite Centre for the above information]

International Effort at Sea Gets UT1FG/MM Back on Satellites

This week John Papays, K8YSE shared an international amateur radio goodwill success story in getting Captain Yuri Bodrov, UT1FG/MM back on the air after a power supply failure at sea.

UT1FG/MM was enroute aboard his cargo ship from a Pacific port in Nicaragua bound for Montreal Canada via the Panama Canal and into the Gulf of Mexico. Yuri, an avid 6 meter and satellite operator, reported that his 12 volt power supply had failed shortly after leaving port.

John wrote, "The bad news was relayed amongst those of us who had been following Yuri and working him in wet grids as he traveled. Brainstorming started with ideas tossed around via emails. One idea was to buy a power supply and ship it Fedex to Yuri's agent in Panama and hope it got there in time. But Yuri felt that there would not be enough time for that to happen. We only had a few days."

Searching with Google and QRZ achieved contact with Captain Manolis Joannou, HP1CQ, also a sea captain and president of the Panama Canal Amateur Radio Association. Manolis was able to find a power supply that could operate off the 220 VAC ship mains and provide 12 volts to Yuri's IC-706 radio.

Captain Manolis made his way via a motor launch to Yuri's ship and hand delivered the new power supply. The two Captains spent an hour together before parting. Yuri was back on the air, working satellites from the Gulf of Mexico.

For a full story, complete with photos visit:

http://www.papays.com/sat/power/ut1fgpanama.html

[ANS thanks John Papays, K8YSE for the above information]

Open Source CubeSat Space Protocol Flight Test Aboard GOMX-1

Cubesat Space Protocol (CSP) is a small network-layer delivery protocol designed for Cubesats. The idea was developed by a group of students from Aalborg University in 2008. The protocol is based on a 32-bit header containing both transport and network-layer information. Its implementation is designed for, but not limited to, embedded systems such as the 8-bit AVR microprocessor and the 32-bit ARM and AVR from Atmel. The implementation is written in GNU C and is currently ported to run on FreeRTOS or POSIX operating systems like Linux and BSD.

GOMX-1, a 2U CubeSat designed and built by more than 15 students at Denmark's Aalborg University is expected to launch in late 2012 into a near sun syncronous orbit on a DNEPR rocket from Yasny in Russia with a number of other amateur radio satellites.

The GOMX-1 mission will qualify a number of satellite subsystems in space, providing extensive in-flight data. A camera payload will take color images of the Earth and an experimental Software Defined Radio receiver will be carried and its performance characterized. The mission will also test the use of the open source Cubesat Space Protocol for a complete mission including the space link.

GOMX-1 plans to use GMSK telemetry with selectable 1k2/2k4/4k8/9k6 rates on UHF with approx 28dBm power to a deployed antenna.

For more information refer to these web pages:

GOMX-1 web page: http://gomspace.com/

Cubesat Space Protocol: http://code.google.com/p/cubesat-space-protocol

Gunter's Space Page provides a calendar of planned launches for 2012: http://space.skyrocket.de/doc_chr/lau2012.htm

[ANS thanks the GOMX-1 Team at Aalborg University for the above information]

RAX-2 Amateur Radio Cubesat Scientific Success

The University of Michigan RAX-2 amateur radio cubesat has achieved success in detecting the communication disrupting anomaly in the upper atmosphere it was designed for.

On March 9, Matt Bennett KF6RTB reported on behalf of the RAX-2 team, "This is unbelievable!! After more than three years of hard work and dedication by my team and professor at Michigan, our chief scientist confirmed today that the RAX-2 spacecraft we designed, built, and launched into space has detected the communication-disrupting anomaly in the upper atmosphere that we've been looking for!"

The primary objective of the mission is to use the onboard radar receiver in conjunction with a powerful radar station in Alaska to study the formation of a plasma anomaly known for causing the scintillation of radio signals in the UHF and higher bands. This effect is known to inhibit our space radar tracking capabilities and ground-space communications. Studying this anomaly in this bi-static radar configuration (ground based transmitter, space-base receiver) will provide scientists with a better understanding of these anomalies that has not been achievable with ground radars alone.

Mark concludes, "The RAX Team would like to acknowledge and say thank you to the amateur radio satellite community for all of their support on this mission. We've really enjoyed interacting with fellow operators while collecting and analyzing telemetry. We've also learned a great deal about satellite operations from each other."

RAX-2: 437.345 MHz, 9600 bps GMSK http://rax.engin.umich.edu/

Mission Science Operations http://rax.sri.com/

RAX on Facebook http://www.facebook.com/RadioAuroraExplorer

[ANS thanks Mark Bennett KF6RTB and the RAX-2 team for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

A team of 10 operators, from the Aguas-Calientes Amateur Radio Club will activate Isabel Island, grid DL71, using the callsign XF1AA. The planned dates are March 16-21. Ismael, XE1AY, is one of the operators and is active on the satellites. If you should hear Ismael on the birds, please give him the air time to work as many as he can. (OPDX Bulletin 1050 & K8YSE)Magyar OSCAR-72 (MO-72) has made the very first Hungarian photographs from space. Please visit: http://tinyurl.com/MO72-FirstPhotos (cubesat.bme.hu)Mark Hammond, N8MH is hosting an AMSAT table at the RARSFEST in Raleigh, NC on Saturday, April 7. Mark is looking for volunteers to assist. If you can help with this AMSAT publicity effort contact Mark at

marklhammond@gmail.com.Plan ahead for August: EMike McCardel, KC8YLD is looking for volunteers for the AMSAT presence at the Ohio State ARRL Convention which will be held Saturday August 4, 2012 in conjunction with Voice of Aladdin's Columbus Hamfest. Plans are being formed for a display table, satellite demos, and a speaker is needed for a satellite forum. If you are interested in helping out or would like to propose a forum talk please contact EMike at: kc8yld@amsat.orgPaul, 2E1EUB says his next mobile satellite operations as 2M1EUB from his van will be starting March 24 for 7 days from the east coast of Scotland. Main operations are planned for AO-7 Mode A/B and other satellites as available. Paul will post his latest information on amsat-bb and also on the lookup at QRZ.com for 2M1EUB.Also Paul, 2E1EUB will be guest speaker at the Telford and District Amateur Radio Society (TDARS) on Wednesday, March 21, where he will give a talk about amateur radio satellites. In 2011 Paul was awarded the prestigious Louis Varney Cup for Advances in Space Communication, which was presented to him at the Telford Hamfest. More information is posted on Southgate: http://tinyurl.com/Telford-TalkISS astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT demonstrates physics in space in several videos posted on the 'Science off the Sphere' web pages. This is a partnership between NASA and the American Physical Society. Watch at: http://www.physicscentral.com/sotsEnjoy a flight over the northern lights aboard the ISS when you watch the video at: http://tinyurl.com/ISS-FlyOverAurora (SpaceDaily.com)Central States VHF Society Conference is planned for July 26-29 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. A conference hotel rate of $93 per night is being arranged. More information will become available as the web page at http://www.csvhfs.org/ is updated.The 50 MHz and Up Group is hosting this year's Microwave Update Conference from October 18 to 21 in Santa Clara, CA. Check their web at: http://www.microwaveupdate.org for more info as it becomes available. Abstracts for papers, or requests for more information can be sent by e-mail to: mud2012papers at gmail dot comCongratulations to Rick Tejera, K7TEJ on earning VUCC Satellite Award #227! Rick says, "Thanks to all who worked me over the past two years to get me here."

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

ARISS Status Report - 12 March 2012

1. Upcoming School Contacts

An ARISS contact has been scheduled for Istituto Tecnologico Statale Trasporti e Logistica "Leone Acciaiuoli", Ortona, Italy on Sunday, March 18 at 11:31 UTC. The Ortona Maritime Institute "Leone Acciaiuoli" (I.T.N) is a technical high

school that prepares the student for a career as a merchant ship officer or to continue his university studies in the field of engineering disciplines. Among the subjects taught at the school are navigation, astronomy, celestial navigation, satellite navigation, telecommunications (including satellite telecommunications), mathematics and physics. Since 1991, the Institute has taken part in the "International Day of Planetaria" which provides an opportunity for educating the public in the areas of planetaria, science and technology. On this day, the public is able to

visit the Planetarium, laboratories, astronomical telescope and other

astronomical equipment. The ARISS contact will be held as part of the day's activities.

2. California Students Radio Dan Burbank on Space Station

On Monday, March 5, Dilworth Elementary School in San Jose, California participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX. Burbank fielded 19 questions put to him by the students about the challenges encountered while living in space. The contact took place during the NASA Destination Station exhibit at The Tech Museum located nearby and complemented lessons on Science Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

3. Astronaut André Kuipers Answers Children's Questions via ARISS

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between André Kuipers and school children at the Space Expo in Noordwijk, Netherlands on Tuesday, March 6 via station ON4ISS in Belgium. The radio

activity was part of an educational program around Kuipers' mission Spaceship Earth which targets youth who are 10-14 years of age. Part of this program consists of mission assignments that Kuipers gives to Dutch school children. The winners of each challenge were invited to the radio contact. Other activities included lessons and experiments.

4. Hams who Experimented with ARISSat Make the News

Farrell and Jeff Winder, the father and son who helped in the development of SuitSat-1, made the news recently when they used ARISSat's transponder and after several tries, successfully sent and received a picture of Farrell Winder's automobile license plate. Community Press posted the story, "Father, son team up

in 'outer space'." See:
http://communitypress.cincinnati.com.../20120301/NEWS

/303010057/

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

354. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 18 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-18 16:50:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e830a34acf004bb873d4d@google.com>
Source record: 3371
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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March Mudness - The March 2012 RFTB

Posted: 18 Mar 2012 05:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338510-March-Mudness-The-March-2012-RFTB&goto=newpost

The Flying Pigs QRP Club International's March 2012 Run for the Bacon is tonight at 9:00 pm EDT (2012-03-19 @ 0100-0300 UTC). The rules for the sprint may be accessed at http://fpqrp.org/pigrun/. Check out the Club's homepage at http://fpqrp.org/ for information on becoming a member. Give it a listen and join in the fun! 72/73, Will, NQ2W, FP# 2442

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Results Russian WW PSK Contest 2012

Posted: 17 Mar 2012 02:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338437-Results-Russian-WW-PSK-Contest-2012&goto=newpost

The Russian World Wide PSK Contest 2012 Committee has received 814 logs for the Russian World Wide PSK Contest 2011 from 62 oblast of the Russia and 61 DXCC countries: 4K, 4X, 9A, BY, CE, CO, CP, CT, D2, DL, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EI, EK, ER, ES, EW, EX, EY, F, G, GM, HA, HB9, HS, I, JA, K, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, PA, PY, R2F, R3, R9, S5, SM, SP, SV, TA, TF, UN, UR, VE, VU, VK, YB, YL, YO, YU, and ZL. The Russian section of the European PSK Club congratulates all the participants on their achievement. Many thanks for your interest, and we look forward to see you in the next coming PSK contests.

You can download final results and UBN reports at the: Results Russian WW PSK Contest 2012

During the week after publication of the results Certificates will be sent to winners, prize-winners and other participants of the contest according to the rules of awarding in Russian WW PSK Contest 2012.

If desired, the winners in subgroups - WINNERS - can order plaques within 10 days after publication of the results. The cost of plaques including postage: for Russia - 2500 rubles, for Ukraine - 2800 rubles, for winners from other countries - 3500 rubles. Orders are accepted at: epc(at)epc-ru.ru Plaques will be performed in the same design as for the last year winners: Plaques for the winners of RUSWWPSK.

Contest Committee Russian WW PSK 2012

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Halifax On The Air (Special Event)

Posted: 17 Mar 2012 09:20 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338397-Halifax-On-The-Air-(Special-Event)&goto=newpost

About a year ago I posted a desire to organize a special event for all towns and cities named Halifax to get on the air. I am in the final process of this project. We have picked the third weekend of July this year for our first event. That is July 21 and 22.

We are doing the full weekend because of the involvement of Halifax, England, and maybe other countries. Our station will go on the air by 10am EDST Saturday and remain on the air until 4pm EDST Sunday.

If you are in a "Halifax", or your club serves a Halifax, and are interested in being in this event, please contact me at HalifaxOnTheAir@gmail.com . I am preparing a web site for the event that will not only inform the contacts about the event, but also have a page for each participating town/city from which the QLS card/certificate may be downloaded with your contact info printed on it.

We will be working 40 meters and 20 meters phone bands for this event.

TNX, 73

Terry (WB3BKN)

355. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 18th March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-18 20:00:11 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120318200003.98CC833C3C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3372
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 18th March 2012

Call Book and Echo Ireland

A new printed call book has just been published by IRTS and will be distributed to members along with the April 2012 edition of Echo Ireland. The new call book contains a listing of current EI call signs and a summary of the activities of the society. Also, to celebrate the fact that IRTS is 80 years in existence this year, the call book includes some background on the radio clubs and societies that pre-dated the formation of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society in 1932.

The April Echo Ireland contains the committee's nominations for the offices of President and Vice-President as well as other committee positions. It also has updates from affiliated clubs: South Dublin Radio Club gives details of how to get up and running with the new Dublin ATV Repeater. From the North Cork Radio Group, Lisa EI9GSB writes about her involvement with some of the activities of the group over the past two years - including operation from Cork City Gaol, Blackrock Castle, Mizen Head, Blarney Castle and Mallow Castle. The North Cork Radio Group will be back on Mizen Head for International Marconi Day (April 21st) and, speaking of Marconi, the newsletter has an article about Marconi's first radio reports from the Kingstown Regatta in 1898.

The regular "HF Happenings" column from Anthony EI2KC covers recent DX activity by way of contributions from Trevor EI2GLB, John EI7BA and Paddy EI1DG. Anthony also brings us up to date on forthcoming DXpeditions that may be of interest. Another popular regular column is the HX Files from Pat EI2HX. This time, Pat explains how he experimented with mobile ATV; his tips would be of interest to anyone planning to operate mobile, even without a camera.

There is plenty more of interest in April's Echo Ireland, which will be posted to members along with the call book within the next few days.

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

The event this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society. The annual dinner takes place on Saturday April 21st, with the Rally and

AGM on the following day. Dinner tickets are just 32, a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. As dinner tickets and rooms are distributed on a first come first served basis, you are encouraged and advised to act now to avoid disappointment. The annual rally, on Sunday April 22nd, will also have its favourites and many new and novel exhibitors.

This is a must attend event in the 80th Anniversary year of your national society. Full details of this event are on the IRTS web site www.irts.ie

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. The Fairways Hotel can be contacted on 042 9321500 or www.fairways.ie

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Cashota

CASHOTA (Castles and Stately Homes on the Air) will be holding the first Monument Month over April 2012. This annual award event involves activating Monuments which As defined by Wikipedia, a monument is a type of structure either explicitly created to commemorate a person or important event or which has become important to a social group as a part of their remembrance of historic times or cultural heritage, or simply as an example of historic architecture.

Everyone is welcome to participate, with all details of the event, including how to register, being available at http://www.cashotamonuments.webs.com/, if you require more information contact Steve EI5DD at http://cashota-ireland.org/home.

San Francisco Radio Club

San Francisco Amateur Radio Club will be holding a Special Event Station - W6G - to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge on May 26, 2012 at 2000z to May 27, 2012 at 2200z. Details on www.sfarc.org.

South Dublin Radio Club

The SDR Annual General Meeting took place recently. Their discussion at the meeting covered club activities for the coming year as well as options for re-starting radio theory classes. A new committee was elected for 2012; the members are: Jim Holohan EI4HH Tony Doyle EI7GUB Tom McGrath EI7HT Tony Byrne EI7JN Daniel Cussen EI9FHB Martin Farnan EI9GCB Michael Fitzgerald EI9GGB

Medway Amateur Receiving & Transmitting Society

The Medway Amateur Receiving & Transmitting Society will be on air from Tuesday 27th March to Saturday 31st March activating Fort Amherst in Chatham Kent. This is part of their 90th birthday celebrations and they will be using special callsign GB5MW. More details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk or http://www.g5mw.org.uk/.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club is holding a meeting on Wed 28th March at 20:30 in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon.

It is planned to give practical demonstrations on computerised logging, dx cluster and Logbook of the World.

All members are requested to attend and visitors are welcome. For more info see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com

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EI8GQB activity : March 18th-26th

Oliver/ON4EI will again be QRV from Ireland near Fethard (IO62EL) on top of Benneshill (170m ASL) with his Irish callsign EI8GQB. He will enter the CQ WPX SSB CONTEST on March 24th/25th.

During the week before the contest Oliver will set up 5 antennas to support SO2R operation. Reference frequency is 7.100 MHz +/- QRM.

Olivier will hold a daily blog on www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB and post regularly video on YouTube ON4EI's channel www.youtube.com/user/ON4EI

If you want to visit him during the week, please send a mail to ON4EI/at/VANDENBALCK/dot/EU

DX News

An American/Canadian team led by Frosty K5BLU will be active from Botswana from 18 - 27 March. The individual calls will be A25CF, A25DS, A25KW and A25JR. Look out for activity also during the CQ WPX SSB Contest next weekend.

A group from Japan plan to be QRV from Burkina Faso in West Africa from 21 - 28 March. Calls will be XT2VWT, XT2IVU, XT2AEF, and XT2VVO. They will operate SSB on all bands 80 - 10m.

Hartwig DL7BC will operate from the Indian Ocean island of Mayotte from 20 March until 6 April. Look for him initially as FH/DL7BC and from 23 March as TO7BC. QSLs for both calls go via his home call.

An international team will activate the callsign E51M from the North Cook Islands from 28 March - 10 April. They will operate on all bands 160 - 6m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL manager is DJ8NK.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

356. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1054

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-18 20:01:45 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <366043.55496.qm@smtp101.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1054
BID: $OPDX.1054
March 19, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NC1L and ARRL Web Page, NJ1Q & ARRL DX, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, K4FW, N4AA & QRZ DX, W5CW, KH6BZF, K8YSE, N8KOL, W8GEX & 60m News, W8XD, K9MM, W9ILY, AT International, CX3AL, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DL2SBY, DL7UFR, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IZ8BGY, OH2YY, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, PE1NCP, RSGB IOTA Web Site, S50U, SA0AAZ, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal, VE3ZZ, YO3JW and ZS1HF for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 11th-March, through Sunday, 18th-March there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C0, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9C, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5T, MAURITANIA. Jean, ON8RA/5T0JL, at the age of 84, will once again be active from Nouakchott starting possible March 21st. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/12 meters and mainly on CW. QSL via ON8RA (see QRZ.com

for new QSLing practices).

7U50, ALGERIA (Special Event). Members of the Djelfa Radio Club (7X2VFK) will activate 7U50ND to celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Algerian independence and the 20th anniversary of the Djelfa Radio Club. Activity will take place between May 20-26th, during the 4th International Ham Meeting in Djelfa. Details are available on <QRZ.com>.

8Y, GUYANA (Update). Operators Anderson/PY2TNT and Alex/PY2WAS will be active as 8R1PY from Lethem, Guyana, between April 5-8th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL via PY2WAS, direct or by the Bureau, and a OQRS will be available. The Mediterraneo DX Club (MDXC) is supporting the 8R1PY DXpedition and has activated a Web site (with updated news, log search and propagation charts - TNX to IK8LOV) at: http://www.mdxc.org/8r1py

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Pekka, OH2YY, will activate the Hillview Gardens club station 9M6AAC between March 21-22nd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB. Bands will depend on the antennas available. QSL via N2OO.

A3, TONGA. There is less than a week to work A35YZ DXpedition. The A35YZ team is expected to be on until March 24th. Many have been asking where is the SSB. Operator Frank, DL7UFR, informs OPDX that they will operate on SBB when it is possible, but the conditions currently are so bad that SSB is very difficult. All the signals they hear are very weak there. Their SSB ops hope that the conditions will approve so they can make more SSB QSOs. QSL via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Jan, OZ1IIL, is now active as C56LH until March 26th. Activity this past week has been mainly on 20/17/10 meters SSB, but can operate on 80-10 meters using a G5RV and an IC-746. QSL via OZ1IIL.

DXCC NEWS.....
* Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
XW1A - Laos; Current Operations
XW0ZJZ - Laos; Current Operations

* (ARRL Announces New DXCC Fee Structure!) Effective Monday, April 2nd, the way DXCC fees are assessed will change. These changes will include both rate increases and rate decreases. There are several reasons for the fee change:
- Promoting more frequent applications
- Removing the "hybrid application" problem
- Simplifying the price structure for DXCC
- Raising the rates slightly to help offset ARRL's increased costs
- Improving customer service
Here are "some" of the interesting changes to take place:
- There are no limits on the number of applications that can be submitted. There will be no more surcharges added to the second or subsequent applications.
- A DXCC application submitted using LoTW will have an application

fee of 5 USDs for ARRL members and 10 USDs for non-members. There are no limits on the number of QSOs that can be included as part of a LoTW application. Each QSO used in LoTW for an award will cost 12 cents, down from a minimum of 15 cents in 2011. They will no longer sell LoTW "credits" in bulk. If you have credits stored, you will still be able to use them.
- The free DXCC Yearbook that was sent to ARRL members will now be made available electronically, and it will appear in an edition of Digital QST. For those who want a League-printed Yearbook, it will still be available at a modest cost.

To read the complete press release and details of all the changes, go to: http://www.arrl.org/news/view/arrl-announces-new-dxcc-fee-structure

DXCC ONLINE (Web Tool!). Over the past several years, the DXCC has been working on a system where applicants would enter QSO data from their QSLs into a digital DXCC application. With DXCC staff's data entry time reduced, they could charge less than a traditional application, process more applications in the same time, and provide better customer service. Well word has come out that their programmers are near completion and are currently beta-testing the system which will be called "Online DXCC".
The following is a brief description of this system and the Card Checker's role: "For the most part, the DXCC Card Checker's job hasn't changed much. After the applicant has typed-in the QSO data from the QSLs (or loaded-in an ADIF file that comes from a logging program), he/she will print the application and either bring it to a DXCC Card Checker or mail it and the cards to HQ, like normal. They will still heavily rely on a DXCC Card Checker's expertise and knowledge to inspect the QSL cards and ensure that the data that has been entered and printed by the applicant is correct. The DXCC Card Checker will still need to carefully mark changes on the printout. When all is done, the DXCC Card Checker will sign-off on the application and mail it to HQ, as before."
What is different is that the applicant will not have to organize cards by band and mode, but instead can simply enter the data from each card in any order they are found. The applicant must leave the cards in the same order in which they are entered, as it obviously that makes it easy for the DXCC Card Checker to work through the cards and compare against the record sheet. If a QSL has two or more QSOs listed, and the applicant needs them all, he/she no longer must put these cards at the back of the application.
Also new is that there is an option for the applicant to pay for the application with a credit card inside "Online DXCC". Unfortunately, there is no easy way to have the applicant pay electronically for the DXCC Card Checker's mailing expense, so they will still have to collect cash for mailing in the same manner as they do now. The "Online DXCC" forms themselves are representations of the paper forms to which everyone is currently accustomed too. The "Online DXCC" is expected to possibly be available in less than a month. Be looking for more details to be forthcoming.

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Operators Jorge/EA7HZ, Al/EA7JR, Manolo/EA7LL, Chris/EA7RU, Pedro/EA7IZJ, Jorge/EA9LZ and possibly others will be active as ED9Z during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. The group will be using Spiderbeam antennas. QSL via EA9LZ.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN (HF and EME). Operators Kasimir/DL2SBY and Georg/DF1SR will be active from Liechtenstein between April 25th and May 5th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Their HF equipment includes a TS2000, FT900AT, Acom1010, HF9V vertical and a Spiderbeam for 10/12/15/17/20m. There will be EME activity. On April 28-29th, the Dubus EME Contest will take place, and they will be on 13cm. Between April 30th and May 3rd, they will be active on EME on 9cm and 6cm (this would be a first-ever EME activity on both bands from Liechtenstein!). They state, "You will find us in the HB9Q-Chat room." EME equipment will be a FT726R, Dish 3, 7m and 2m amplifier for both bands. They will use two separate callsigns for this operation. For the HF bands, they will use HB0/DL2SBY, and for the EME activity they will sign HB0/DF1SR. QSL via their home callsigns by the Bureau or direct.

II9, ITALY. The II9K Contest Team will be active from Sicily (EU-025, IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107, WLOTA 1362) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. They will be using a new antenna setup improvement for the contest. Operators mentioned are Giuseppe/IT9HBT, Girolamo/IT9GNG, Rino/IT9FXY, Vincenzo/IT9ECQ, Mike/IF9ZWA, Maria/IT9FRA, Domenico/IW9GTD, Antonino/IW9HII and Dario/IT9RDZ. QSL via IT9HBT.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-008. Operators Ray/M1REK, Mark/M0UTD and Tom/M0DCG will be active as GM6TW from The Isle of Jura between March 31st and April 6th. Activity will be on the HF bands. The trio also plans to be active from Islay and Colonsay; also all EU-008. For more details, see: http://www.m1rek.co.uk/jura-2012

EU-012. A group of YL operators will be active as GB2YLS from Fair Isle between August 16-22nd. Activity will also be during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (August 18-19th) from the Southern Lighthouse (UK0127). Operators mentioned are Unni/LA6RHA, Chantal/PA5YL, Ruth/IT9ESZ, Nicky/MM5YLO, Elaine/2E1BVS and Denise/MM6ZDW. Activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL via MM5YLO.

EU-017. Members of the "RadioAmatori Siciliani nel Mondo" (RASM) will be active as ID9Z from Lipari Island between May 17-20th. Operators mentioned are Carmelo/IT9TFX, Fabio/IT9AHI, Antonino/IT9YMM, Sergio/IW9FSG, Max/IT9AKC and Gino/IZ8MWG. QSL via LoTW.

EU-042. Klaus, DL7UXG, will be active as DL7UXG/p from Foehr Island (GIA N-017, WFF DLFF-013, WLOTA 4067) between April 10-12th. Activity will be on the HF bands on/or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-114. The Martello Tower Group will be active as GP0PKT from Herm
Island between October 5-7th. Operators mentioned are Keith/
G6NHU, Tony/G0MBA, Yan/M0YNK, Colin/M1EAK, Chris/M6GSD and
Richard/G7HJK. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes.
QSL via G6NHU, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-240. (Update/NEW IOTA!) Members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC)
with the support of the Bethel Amateur Radio Club (BARK) will
activate the last new IOTA in Alaska in the Bethel County
IOTA Group possibly around May 9-16th (they postponed their
January 5-8th operation due to weather earlier in the year).
The callsign will be KL7RRC/p. The group's main reason for
this activation is to participate in the RSGB IOTA Marathon.
See details at: http://www.rsgbiota.org/marathon/index.php
The current team members are: Yuri N3QQ and Tim/NL8F. QSL via
UA9OBA (Europe/Russia) and N7RO; either manager can confirm
any contact. More details, updates and "real time team's
location" can be seen at: http://www.na-234.com

OC-156. Aki, JA1NLX, is now active as 3D2YA from Yageta Island until
March 21st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using mainly CW
with some SSB and RTTY. He will QSL all QSOs via the Bureau.
Log will be uploaded to LoTW. For more details, check his
Blog Page at: http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.com

SA-039. Members of the "RADIO CLUB URUGUAYO" will activate the special
event callsign CW4R for the first time from Isla Gorriti (WW
Loc. GF25ma) between March 23-25th. Activity will be on all
HF bands using CW, SSB and te Digital modes. Also, look for
CW4R to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a
Multi-Op entry. QSL this activity by the Bureau or direct to:
Radio Club Uruguayo, P.O.Box 37, 11000, Montevideo, URUGUAY,
SOUTH AMERICA (w/SAE and 1 new IRC or 2 green stamps).

JW, SVALBARD. Magne, LA2XNA, is now active as JW2XNA from the JW5E club
station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) until March 20th.
Activity is on SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via LA2XNA.

JW, SVALBARD. Torkel, LA6VJA, will once again be active as JW6VJA from
the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026)
between August 10-12th. Fredrik, LA6TMA, will also join him and be active
as JW6TMA. Activity by JW6VJA will mainly be CW with some SSB, while
JW6TMA will be active mostly on the Digital modes. QSL via their home
callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Also, JW6VJA will upload his log to
LoTW. For more details, visit: http://www.bitwrap.no/web/index.php?id=6

JX, JAN MAYEN. Svein, LA9JKA, will once again be active as JX9JKA from
Jan Mayen (EU-022) between March 29th through approx. March 20th, 2013.
He plans to operate SSB and the digital modes on 160-6 meters. QSL via
his home callsign direct only (see QRZ.com).

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 19-25th)....
Mar/19th HN Mar/22nd AN Mar/24th AN

Mar/20th AN-HN Mar/23rd AN Mar/25th AN
Mar/21st AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2012. The members of the Northern Illinois DX Association (NIDXA) have elected the following officers for 2012:
President: Jim O'Connell, W9WU Directors: Joe Schroeder, W9JUV
Vice-President: John Becker, K9MM Howie Huntington, K9KM
Secretary: Randy Brothers, K9OR Gary Hornbuckle, K9MMS
Treasurer: Don Whiteman, KK9H

For more information about NIDXA, go to at: http://www.nidxa.org

PH, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). A group of operators will be active as PH4RTM/WHE between April 5-13th. Activity is taking place during the World Horticultural Expo, THE FLORIADE <http://www.floriade.com>, in Venlo. Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSLs will be returned 100% via the Bureau by PH4RTM.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 18th)

3Z45HBW via SP5ZRW DV1/JO7KMB via JO7KMB MW2I via WW2R
4J3DF via RW6HS (d) EA8/DL7JTZ via DL7JTZ OJ0VM via OH6VM
4K0CW via DL6KVA EB5BBM/BA7PI via EB5BBM OK/OE5HCE/P via OE5HCE
5A2FHE via IN3FHE EE3CME via EB3JP OK7T via OK1FHI
7Z1HB via DE1ZHB (B) EY8DX via UA4LCH OZ/DL4LAX via DL4LAX
A41CK via A47RS FK8CE via LZ1JZ P3N via RW3RN
C56LH via OZ1IIL HD91CM via W7SE PJ2/DK5ON via DK5ON
CM8RRM via EA5KB HF4KUMURADOJO via SP9PDG PJ2/DL5RDP via DL5RDP
CT9/RC5A via RC5A KH0WW via JP1IOF SM7CRW via W3HNK
DK3UZ via G6XOU (B) LX/DL5AXX via DL5AXX TM0X via F4BKV (L)
DU6/JJ1LQG via JI0PFZ LZ1784SIB via LZ1KCP UN/RT9T via RT9T
XF1AA via IT9EJW
(B) Bureau Only (L) LoTW
(d) direct Only

QSL MANAGER OF THE YEAR. The Golist QSL Manager Data Service is reviving its "QSL Manager of the Year Award". The purpose of this award is to recognize the service of QSL Managers world wide for the service they provide to the World-Wide DX Community. Nominations for this award will be accepted by the Golist from DX and Contest clubs, world-wide, for the

year of 2012. Ending Date: August 1, 2012. Each DX club and Contest club is encouraged to poll their members for their nominations for the "Top 5 QSL Managers for 2012". The definition of a QSL Manager for this award is any person who confirms contacts via printed QSL Card for any station other than their Primary Callsign. Each club should tabulate the votes of their members and submit to the Golist the Top 5 vote getters as voted by members of their club. Votes should be tabulated and sent to the Golist by August 1, 2012, to be eligible for the QSL Manager of the Year award. Each club world-wide may only send one submission for voting purposes. Records of submission will be maintained by the Golist. A plaque, donated by DX Publishing, Inc., publisher of "QRZ-DX and THE DX MAGAZINE", will be awarded to the selected "QSL Manager of the Year" at the W4DXCC Convention held in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee in September 2012. The recognized format for your club's submission is as follows: Club Name; Club Officer (Name, Call Sign, club office and E-mail address); Top 5 QSL Manager Nominees (list name and callsign). In the subject line of your official E-mail put "QSL Manager of the Year-2012" and send it to: golist@gmail.com

TC18M VIA TA1HZ. Members of the Special Wireless Activity Team (TCSWAT) were active as TC18M this past week to commemorate the Naval Victory of March 18, 1915. QSL Manager is again TA1HZ, and information is available at <QRZ.com> and <www.tcswat.org>. The QSL cards will be ready for the Friedrichshafen Messe (end of June) distribution; therefore, please do not hurry for sending in your QSL cards direct (unless you need them for DXCC).

TO3J QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Nao, JA1HGY, reports that all direct and OQRS TO3J QSLs were answered as of March 12th.

UA4WHX QSLS STATUS. According to Vlad, UA4WHX, QRZ.com page:
1. By now there are no direct African QSLs left unanswered.
2. If you sent your QSLs directly but you have not received them, then it probably is that your cards have been lost either way. Contact me <ua4whx@udm.ru> to check their status.
If you need a paper QSL, request it directly, not via the bureau. All QSOs have been LoTW uploaded.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3G3M, 4U1ITU, C6ANM, CR6K, CW5W, E74AA, E7DX, EF8R, EO3Q, F5BZB, FY5KE, GM7R, HK1T, HK3JJB, I5HOR, II2E, J38A, J7Y, JQ2VVH, KH6LC, KH7Y, LS1D, OA4SS, P40L, PI4DX, PJ2T, PJ4X, PT5T, PW7T, PY1MK, PY1ZV, PY2LED, PY2MTV, PY4OG, PY4RGS, S53M, S58A, S57AL, TF3W, TG7/N6HD, TM6M, TO5A, TO5X, UV5U, UW5Q, V25WY, V31RR, VE3EY, VK7ZE, VP5B, VP5OU, VP9I, WH7Y, XE1MM, XE2S, XW3DT, YW4D, YW5T and ZF2AM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 4W0VB, 5W1SA, 8Q7DV, A31IO, AP2IA, C37N, EY7AD, GJ6UW, H40FK, H40KJ, J8/JA7SGV, PJ4/WA1Z, TL0CW, TN2T, TO3J, V25RV, VU3BPZ/mm and ZL1RS (6m)

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3C0C, 5R8IC, 8P9NX, 9H3KX, AO8GLH, C37NL, EA9AK, ES0/F5BLC/P, EY8/F4EGS, FG4NO, FK8CP, FK/F5NHJ, FM/F5IRO, FR1LB, H44AS, IS0/DL8JJ/M, J27JUIN, J28CDX, J28RO, MJ/EA1SA, TK5EP, TK0WT,

TK/F5MCC, TA4CW, TT8PK, TT8ZZ and V55DLH

S55, SLOVENIA (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club Cerkno (S50E) will activate the special event callsigns S555E and S55CERKNO throughout 2012. Activity is to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Club's foundation. A special full colored four page folded QSL card will be confirmed automatically by the Bureau sometime in early 2013. The logs for S555E and S55CERKNO will also be uploaded to the ARRL's LoTW on a regular basis. Online logs will be available on the Club's Web site at: http://www.s50e.si For those who want to send card direct, please send SASE with 2 USDs to cover return postage to Radioclub Cerkno, P.O. BOX 16, 5282 Cerkno, Slovenia, with priority return when getting cards from the printer. Cards with insufficient postage or no return envelope will be returned via the QSL Bureau.

SG, SWEDEN (Special Event). Richard, SM2TOS, and some other operators will be active as SG2SNF from Porjus between June 16-17th. Activity will be from the Lancaster bomber "Easy Elsie", which crashed at Porjus in Sweden on October 29th, 1944. For more details, pictures and QSL info, see QRZ.com.

TO5, MARTINIQUE. Vlad, RC0F, will be active as FM/RC0F from Martinique (NA-107) between March 20-28th. Activity will also include the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry using the callsign TO5K. QSL via RC0F or LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA (Update). A group of German operators will be active as V55V from V52W's QTH in Omaruru during CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via DJ8VC. Operators currently mentioned are Winfried/DK9IP, Suad/DK6XZ, Tobias/DH1TW, Uwe/DL9NDS, Dietmar/DL3DXX and Mathew/DJ2HD. Look for operators to be active before and after the contest (as early as March 16th, and until the 27th) as V5/homecall. Activity will probably be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, but with a focus on 160/80/40m and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign (see QRZ.com).

V6, MICRONESIA. Swedish couple Jonas/SA0AAZ, and Carin/SA0BAC will be active as V63AAZ and V63BAC from the Truk Stop Hotel on Weno Island (OC-011) [a municipality and capital of Chuuk State of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM)] between March 26th and April 10th. Jonas tells OPDX that this is a diving holiday trip, and all radio work will be limited. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. Equipment is an IC-7000 with 100w into some wire type antenna with ladder feed. Jonas also suggests to please go easy on them because they are "only ordinary hams with ordinary standards, so please adjust operation technique and speed accordingly." QSL both via SA0AAZ.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS (Update). By the time you read this, Jim, K4FW, will once again be on Kwajalein Island (OC-028) between March 19-26th, because of his job with the Orbital Sciences Corporation. He works with the Pegasus launch vehicle. More specifically, as the Launch Panel Operator (LPO) and is part of the flight crew on the Orbital's L-1011. Jim informs OPDX that

the launch is scheduled for March 26th, and he plans to be active as much as he can between the time he arrives and the launch. Activity will be from the Kwajalein club station (V73AX) on the southern most side of the island, and he hopes to once again sign V73FW (application was sent in), if not then he will probably use V7/K4FW and not the club callsign. Activity will be after his work hours for the day on Kwajalein. He states, "I'm taking a Ten Tec Eagle out with me to use and plan to do SSB on any band that's open and use whatever V73AX has for antennas." QSL via K4FW, direct or by the Bureau.

VC2, CANADA. Operators Noel/VE2BR and Gregg/VE3ZZ will once again be active as VC2G during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. The QTH will be from Mercier, Quebec (Zone 5, Grid Loc. FN35ch). QSL via VE2BR, direct or by the Bureau.

VP2V, BRITISH VIGRIN ISLANDS. Operators Art/N3DXX and Steven/AA7V will be active as VP2V/homecall from Virgin Gorda (Tortola) between November 21st and December 1st. Activity will be focused on 160 meters and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry signing as VP2V/N3DXX. QSL via K2PF.

VP5/VP52, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Dave, W5CW, will once again be active as VP5/W5CW from the VP5JM Hamlet QTH on the Island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 1476) between March 20th and April 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Dave also plans to be in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry and using the callsign VP52V. QSL direct to his home callsign (QRZ.com address) at: PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088 U.S.A.

WORLD-WIDE IRON HAM CONTEST (Dates Changes). The Araucaria DX Group (GADX) has moved the dates of their "World-Wide Iron Ham Contest" (WWIH) to avoid having two South American contests on the same day. They decided to move their competition to: The last full weekend of December. So, this year's WWIH contest will be from 12:00 GMT Saturday, Dec. 29th, to 11:59 GMT, Sunday the 30th. Complete details and rules are available at: http://www.araucariadx.com/site

XU, CAMBODIA. Operators Seihachi/JA7LU and Hiroo/JA2VWG will once again be active as XU7NPC and XU7DDD, respectively, from Sihanoukville between March 16-26th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. They also plan to be active from Koh Rong Samloem Island (AS-133) between March 26-28th. QSL XU7NPC via JA7LU, direct or by the Bureau. QSL XU7DDD via JA2VWG direct only.

XV, VIETNAM. Mal, VK6LC, will once again be active as XV4LC from Vinh Long, Vietnam, between April 19-24th. Activity will be on 17/20 meters only, using CW and SSB (portable station and experimental new Mekong Delta site). QSL via VK6LC only direct. He does NOT use the QSL Bureau.

YJ, VANUATU. Chris, VK3QB, from the Oceania DX Group Inc. (ODXG), will once again lead a team of operators to Port Vila on Efate Island (OC-035), Vanuatu, and be active as YJ0VK between April 21st and May 5th. Operators

mentioned are Chris/VK3QB (team leader), Luke/VK3HJ, Lee/VK3GK, Mike/
VK3GHM, Benton/VK3CBV and Allan/VK2CA. Activity will be on all HF bands
160-10 meters, with an emphasis on 30/17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB,
and RTTY/PSK31. They do plan to have three stations on the air as often
as possible. QSL via VK2CA, direct or by the Bureau. LoTW log upload will
be available on completion of operation. For updates, visit the YJ0VK Web
page at: http://yj0vk.odxg.org/yj0vk2012/default.html

YO WEEKDAY CONTEST. Members of "The Romanian Society of Radio Amateur"
(YO3KSR) have organized the 35th Edition of the HF International Contest
"Bucuresti" to be held on 19th of March, between 1800-2059z, and on both
80m and 40m bands, using CW, SSB and PSK. Complete details are available
on the YO3KSR Web page at: http://www.yo3ksr.ro

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. Pierre, ZS1HF/ZS8M, informs OPDX that he is in the
planning stages to lead a DXpedition to Marion Island, hopefully in
April 2014. He states [edited], "This all depends on permission granted
for a DXpedition team by the Dept. of Environmental Affairs (Antarctic
Islands). South Africa is receiving its new polar supply ship, the 'SA
Agulhas II (number 2)', on the 3rd of May this year. The old/original
'SA Agulhas' will be doing her last trip to Marion Island in April this
year, and then she will be transferred to another state department."
At this stage, Pierre will only consider contacting the Director General
(DG) of the Department early next year once the new ship has completed
her maiden voyage to Gough Island (ZD9) in September and has returned
from their Antarctica base in December. This will give all the hype and
excitement of the new ship some time to sink in and subside. A team of
between 4-10 operators is a possibility, but this depends on how many beds
will be available for them on the ship. The hunt for operators is now
on its way. The operators must be able to have six weeks of free time,
in which fours weeks will be spent on the island. Pierre also mentions:
"Permission to erect Yagi's, vertical or dipoles will have to be negotiated.
HF antennas on Marion Island have a history of injuring and killing many
birds in the past, so there is an automatic tendency to be against ham
radio and HF antennas." Pierre states that he has many challenges to
consider in the coming year to plan for this DXpediton. He is looking for
any comments and support as well as names of potential DXers who would
be interested in joining his operation. Look for more details to be
forthcoming.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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357. eHam.net News for Sunday 18 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-18 22:05:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934053d0cb08204bb8ba273@google.com>
Source record: 3374
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Thomas Cantine Jr. W2TQF Memorial Scholarship Available:

Posted: 17 Mar 2012 05:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27935

FULTON, NY -- This scholarship was established after the untimely death of Thomas G. Cantine Jr, who was an active amateur radio operator for over 50 years. Obtaining his license at the age of 13 in 1957, Tom held the call sign: W2TQF. Tom's hobby of amateur radio led to a career as a sales engineer and engineering consultant. Tom taught amateur radio classes, was a volunteer examiner, active in ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service), RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) and was a charter member of the Fulton Amateur Radio Club and served as the president of the radio club for several terms. This scholarship has been set up in memory of Tom and his passion for amateur radio. The purpose of amateur (ham) radio is to foster the art of wireless communications, and to encourage goodwill, cooperation, education, and emergency preparedness among licensees at local, national, and global levels.

358. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 19 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-19 11:10:07 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf307d054ed470a004bb9698a6@google.com>
Source record: 3375
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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G5XX marks aniversary of last 'Daventry Calling'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9ub-ZviYoVM/g5xx_marks_aniversary_of_last_daventry_calling.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On 29th March 1992 at 11:30 GMT an era came to an end at Borough Hill
Daventry, Northamptonshire. This was the day that the last shortwave
transmission for the BBC World Service was made from the BBC Site on
Borough Hill

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AMSAT-UK 80m Net on YouTube and Podcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EZq9eq5XN14/amsat_uk_80m_net_on_youtube_and_podcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Simon Brown HB9DRV in Switzerland has made available an MP3 and a video
recording of Sunday's AMSAT-UK 80m net that he made from a remote receiver
in Poole, Dorset

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Winter 2012 TAPR PSR Journal now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JBoCCp6qruQ/winter_2012_tapr_psr_journal_now_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Winter issue of the free TAPR PSR Journal is now available to download.
This quarterly Journal is full of Technical, Non-Technical and User Digital
information and articles

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ARRL announces new DXCC fee structure

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wFUD-SGRwLw/arrl_announces_new_dxcc_fee_structure.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Effective Monday, April 2nd, the way DXCC fees are assessed will change.
These changes will include both rate increases and rate decreases

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Spring OSCAR News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WahBW8zgBNM/spring_oscar_news.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Spring edition of the AMSAT-UK colour A4 newsletter OSCAR News is being
posted to members this week

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aBae4-fvIxc/dxcc_report_1903.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
11th-March, through Sunday, 18th-March there were 226 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DJxXJCs7b0w/march_19.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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Use your iPad and iPod Touch with your SCS Pactor Modem

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QbbWZQ5Poxc/use_your_ipad_and_ipod_touch_with_your_scs_pactor_modem.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

By using the app Get Console on your iPad/iPod Touch you can now operate
Pactor and other modes, with the Redpark Cable and RJ adapter using the
RS232 interface on any SCS PTC-IIex or PTC-IIPro Modem

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BeUifyn-E2Y/history_19_march.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

359. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-19 12:00:13 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120319120003.963DD33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3376
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 18th March 2012

The news headlines:

* RSGB AGM next month in Bedford

* Birthplace of radio becomes a city

* Optical marking soon for amateur exams

The RSGB AGM will take place on 21 April at the Swan Hotel, Bedford. Full details are in the April RadCom. The hotel would like some indication of the numbers who will be having lunch on the day of the AGM. Lunch will be soup and a sandwich and will cost £8. To register your intent, please visit www.rsgb.org/agmlunch and submit your name and callsign.

Chelmsford, acknowledged as the birthplace of radio and home to the Marconi Company for many years, is one of three new cities created to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. This year also marks the 100th anniversary of the establishment by Marconi of the first purpose built radio factory in New Street, Chelmsford in 1912. New Street is marked with blue plaque noting the historic significance.

New software will shortly be introduced to handle the administration of amateur radio exams. The design of the software that was commissioned includes optical marking technology. This will greatly improve the speed, accuracy and cost-effectiveness of the overall administration of the examination process. Optical marking will cover all three levels of examination. It will be used for marking the Advanced exam and for validating local marking at Foundation and Intermediate levels. For candidates, optical marking will mean recording their answers on a separate answer sheet. The timescale for introduction of optical marking will be announced once the software has been proven and tested. The RCF will give one months notice of its introduction so that candidates can be advised of the new answer process. Further details will be in the March tutors' newsletter.

The RSGB is aware that repeater and beacon keepers are frustrated by the lack of progress on the issuing of a number of NoVs. Applications for NoVs going back several years remain outstanding. It appears that some delays have been due to changes in staff in the Licensing Centre; the RSGB has worked with Ofcom to help overcome these problems and offer advice as necessary. As a result, NoVs for repeaters in Primary

amateur bands such as 2 metres are now being issued with little delay. This is also the situation with internet gateways and datacomms where, following considerable efforts by the ETCC, delays have now been resolved. Frequency clearances in those bands where the amateur service is secondary have been subject to considerable delay and these delays are likely to continue. To read all the details and learn how the RSGB is working with Ofcom to solve these delays, go to www.rsgb.org.

The AMSAT/TAPR Banquet on Friday night, 18 May, is one of the main AMSAT activities during the 2012 Hamvention at Dayton. Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured speaker for the evening event. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle, the 64 1700 MHz software defined receiver. For anyone going to the Dayton Hamvention this year, Banquet tickets are $30 each and available from www.amsat-na.com.

The source of some mysterious weak signals on 29.684MHz with an 81.9 Baud and 130Hz shift has been located. The signals came from the Spanish coastal area and were audible across all of Europe but only during band openings and then only by directional antennas. It turns out the source of transmissions is Datawell buoys. These buoys, produced in the Netherlands, are used for measuring water temperatures and wave heights. They are designed to transmit with 75 milliwatts on frequencies between 27 and 40MHz. Datawell has been informed them that the transmissions on the amateur service 10 metre band are illegal.

And now for the details of forthcoming rallies

The Spring Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale will he held on 25 March at the Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AL. Doors open at 10am and there will be, civil, military & vintage radio equipment, vehicle spares & more. Contact Rod Siebert, 01270 623 353.

The Devon & Cornwall HAMFEST takes place the same date, 25 March, at The Engine House, Compton Park, Callington PL17 8EA. There will be trade stands and special interest groups. Compton Park is a peaceful, simple unspoilt site formerly the site of an old Cornish tin mine, with the old Cornish steam engine house and the Engine House Tea Rooms. More information from Dereck, M0YDW, via e-mail to disco5live@btinternet.com.

Now for the news of special events

The Medway Amateur Receiving & Transmitting Society will be on air from Tuesday 27 March to Saturday 31 March, activating Fort Amherst in Chatham Kent. This is part of their 90th birthday celebrations and they will be using special callsign GB5MW. More details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk or www.g5mw.org.uk.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

A large group from Germany and Poland plan to be active from the Pacific island of Tonga until 24 March. They are using the callsign is

A35YZ. QSL via DL7DF.

David, GI4FUM will be carrying a Blackberry and a 3G iPad2 on the DXpedition to Namibia. They should be on the air on 19 March. The group will be happy to arrange skeds, just e-mail gi4fum@arrl.net. The DXpedition will be operating from the station of Andre, V51B in Oranjemund, locator JK81FK. V5/GI4FUM and V5/GI8MIV should operate SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. V5/GI4DOH will operate CW and V5/DM3BJ will operate PSK31 and RTTY.

Retu, OH4MDY will be active as XV2RZ from Vietnam until 16 April. He says that this time he will pay special attention to digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct only. He will upload his log to Club Log.

Esteban, XQ7UP will be on the air from Patagonia until 25 March. He will operate mainly SSB, RTTY and PSK31 and will participate in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via his home callsign.

Now the contest news

The Russian DX Contest runs until 1200UTC today, 18 March. There are lots of entry categories, mostly for single ops. An interesting twist is that it is permitted for a single op station to make two single-band entries. Usually this would be to take advantage of bands that aren't open at the same time, for example 10m and 80m. Using CW and SSB on the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and Russians send their oblast code. The 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes lace from 2000 to 2230UTC on 20 March. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 22 March it's the SSB leg of the 80m Club Championships from 2000 to 2130UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

Next weekend is the SSB leg of CQWW WPX. Taking place from 0000UTC on 24 March until 2359UTC on 25 March. Everybody works everybody, exchanging a report and serial number. Expect the contesting bands to be congested and some pretty large serial numbers to be exchanged across the 1.8 to 28MHz bands.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 9th to the 15th of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 16th of March.

Solar activity varied between low and high. The large sunspot group mentioned in last weeks report only rotated off the solar disc on the 15th. Before then, 5 M class solar flares took place, all producing coronal mass ejections and sudden ionospheric disturbances. The largest flare was a M8, which took place on the 10th. Numerous C class solar flares occurred every day, and there were some from other groups as well. Solar flux levels declined from 149 units on the 10th to 111 by the 15th. The average was 130 units. The increase in solar flux levels did nothing to the 90 day solar flux average, which remained unchanged at 125 units on the 15th. X-ray flux levels declined from B8.8 units on

the 9th to B4.7 by the 15th and the average was B6.1 units. Geomagnetic activity was up to major storm levels at times, when one coronal mass ejection after another arrived. The most disturbed day was the 9th, with an Ap index of 94 units. Other disturbed days were the 12th with an Ap of 37 and the 15th with an Ap index of 38 units. The quietest day was the 14th, with an Ap of 8 units. The average was Ap 31 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase to 650, 770 and 800 kilometres per second on the 9th, 12th and the 15th respectively. Particle densities increased to 52 particles per cubic centimetre during the 12th. Bz on the disturbed days varied between minus and plus 20 nanoTeslas. For much of the period a stable high pressure system led to some excellent tropo openings, right through the VHF and UHF bands into the microwave range. For UK operators the opening favoured mainly the Low Countries, Germany and Switzerland but on 2 metres contacts were reported as far as Hungary. Auroral propagation also took place most days. Unfortunately, at HF, MUFs were at times substantially depressed due to the stormy periods.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be at low levels most days. Solar flux levels should be around the 100 mark or slightly higher. Geomagnetic activity could be slightly unsettled today but then decline to quiet levels for the remainder of the period. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 27MHz for the south and 24MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 9MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 20MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1500 and 1900 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Monday 19 March Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on 144.165MHz USB from 1900. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Monday 19 March Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a newcomers night and informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 19 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 19 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 19 March Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a radio test night plus building a Slim Jim antenna. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 20 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 20 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 1.3GHz UK AC. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 20 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on using a handheld GPS by Brian, G8BUB. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 20 March Wythall Radio Club is having a free 'n' easy evening. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 21 March Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR at 1930. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Wednesday 21 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a formal meeting. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 21 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and checking field day equipment. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 21 March South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by the local RAYNET chief on emergency amateur radio. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 21 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on AMSAT by Paul Robinson, 2E1EUB. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 22 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running a simplex club net on 145.375MHz from 2000 and taking part in the 3.5MHz CC SSB. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 22 March Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on PCB schematic, simulation and design software by Richard, G3VZG. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 22 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 23 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having its President's Night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 23 March Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a HF club net on 3.748MHz from 2000. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Friday 23 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is preparing for the CQ World Wide WPX Contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Friday 23 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack and taking part in CQ World Wide WPX all weekend. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 25 March Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is taking part in the CQWPX contest. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 19 March Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 19 March Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on how to cut your losses on VHF and UHF by Richard, G4HGI. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 19 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on home construction by Colin, M5FRA. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 19 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on pirate radio by G3EZM. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 20 March Chester & District Radio Society is watching a DXpedition Video. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 20 March Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Foundation training class and is on the air. Martin, M0GQB, 01422 341 317

On Tuesday 20 March Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having an internet news night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 20 March Stockport Radio Society is holding a newcomer's evening with an introduction by Tony, M0SAV. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699. On Wednesday 21 March Denby Dale Radio Club has its annual surplus auction, at which there are refreshments and a licensed bar. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 21 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 21 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Wednesday 21 March Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is at The Fox & Hounds, Barnston. Contact Simon, G6XHF, on 0151 601 3269, G6XHF@WADARC.Com

On Thursday 22 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC SSB. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 22 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC SSB from club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday 22 March Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a social evening and is on the air. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 23 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 23 March Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is operating portable. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 24 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Saturday 24 March Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Foundation course from 13:30. Contact Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

On Sunday 25 March Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on valves by Tony, G8FLV. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530., tony55@clannet.co.uk

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 20 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 21 March Glenrothes & DRC is holding a discussion meeting. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 22 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is training for field events & contest logging with Allan Duncan, GM4ZUK. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 19 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is holding a club net on GB3BF from 20:30. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Monday 19 March Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on opamps by Ian, G8MKN. For more information contact John,

M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 19 March Burnham Beeches Radio Club is taking a second look at D-Star with G6TSF. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 19 March East Kent Radio Society is holding a used equipment sale. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 19 March Maidstone YMCA Amateur Radio Society is having a coffee and natter night. More information from Howard Vicary, G0RJN, by email to hvicary@hotmail.com.

On Monday 19 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a club net from 19.30 on GB3NB. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 19 March Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, move-it-on, advice clinic and informal chat. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 20 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is planning to contact their twin town's radio club, Ortsverband Bamberg on 7.127 QRM. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 20 March Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 20 March Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale with Andy, G4WGZ. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 20 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 20 March Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a demonstration of transceiver testing by David, G4HHJ. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday 21 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at HF radio, setting up and demonstrating the IC-746. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 21 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the ham radio Olympics by Roger Western, G3SXW. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 21 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the ins and outs of a repeater by Mark, G0LGJ. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 21 March Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening and is on the air. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 22 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF from 20:30. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email

to g4ceo@talk21.com. On Thursday 22 March Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a club meeting Details from Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Thursday 22 March Echelford Amateur Radio Society is running its construction contest. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 22 March Edgware & District Radio Society is having a natter night. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 22 March Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is having a construction evening. Details from Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 22 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 22 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship SSB contest. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday 22 March Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having an alignment evening with Andrew Barrett, G8DOR, with test equipment available. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 22 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and display on 1950s radio by Brian, G8GHR. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 23 March Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on a super bright LED VSWR bridge by Mike, M0BLP. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 23 March Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 23 March Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on the emergence of modern humans by G6DOD. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Sunday 25 March Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 19 March Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Monday 19 March Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a Bring & Buy evening. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 21 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 21 March Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 22 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Geoff Plucknett, G4FKA, of the Bristol Contest Group. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471. On Thursday 22 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 23 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 19 March Dragon Amateur Radio Club is using the club antenna analyser. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Monday 19 March Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Pat, 2W0HUU on the First Responder. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

360. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 12 - 18 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-19 15:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120319153001.1A88B33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3377
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Mar 19 1253 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
12 - 18 March 2012

Solar activity was at low to high levels during the period. Region
1429 (N17, L = 299, class/area Dkc/1270 on 07 March) produced the
largest event of the period, an M7/1b x-ray flare at 13/1741 UTC.
Associated with this event, were a 1400 sfu Tenflare, a Type II and
a Type IV radio sweep, with an estimated shock velocity of 1366
km/s, and finally an asymmetric full-halo CME, visible in both LASCO
C2 and C3 imagery. Plane-of-sky speed, as measured from LASCO
imagery was 1375 km/s. The CME associated with this event was
forecast to become geoeffective. As Region 1429 approached the west
limb, finally rotating off on 16 March, Region 1432 (N14, L = 223,
class/area Esi/100 on 15 March) became active and produced two
M-class events. The largest was an M2/1n x-ray event at 14/1521 UTC.
A faint CME, visible in LASCO C2 imagery, was observed with a
plane-of-sky speed of 392 km/s. On 15 March, a second M-class event,
an M1/1f x-ray event at 15/0752 UTC, was also observed. A Type II
radio sweep with an estimated shock velocity of 468 km/s was
associated with this event. Both CME&rsquo;s associated with the
solar flares from Region 1432 were expected to arrive at Earth, but
with such slow speeds and a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS)
preceding them, very little effects were forecast. Finally, Region
1434 (S22, L = 205, class/area on 11 March) produced an M1/Sf x-ray
event at 17/2039 UTC. Another Type II radio sweep with an estimated
shock velocity of 1140 km/s was associated with this event. However,
the associated CME with this event was not expected to become
geoeffective. Aside from the M-class x-ray events, multiple C-class
events were observed during the period. Many of the solar regions
remained active as they evolved around the disk, but Region 1435
(S25, L = 220, class/area Dao/150 on 18 March) showed rapid growth
towards the end of the summary period.

Two separate greater than 10 MeV proton events were observed during
the summary period. The period began with the greater than 10 MeV
proton flux above the 10 pfu threshold. This event was associated
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with the X5/3b x-ray flare observed on 07/0024 UTC. This event began on 07/0510 UTC, reached a maximum flux of 6530 pfu on 08/1115 UTC, and dropped below the 10 pfu threshold at 12/2050 UTC. The second event, began on 13 March and was associated the M7/1b x-ray event, mentioned earlier, from old Region 1429 (N18, L = 299). This greater than 10 MeV proton event began at 13/1810 UTC, reached a maximum flux of 469 pfu on 13/2045 UTC, and dropped below the 10 pfu threshold on 15/0620 UTC. A greater than 100 MeV proton event was also associated with the M7/1b x-ray event. This event began at 13/1810 UTC, reached a maximum flux of 1 pfu at 13/1905 UTC, and dropped below the 1 pfu threshold at 13/2255 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at moderate to high levels for the entire summary period.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to major storm periods with isolated severe storm periods observed at high latitudes. The summary period began at quiet levels, however midday on 12 March, a shock was observed by the ACE spacecraft with a Sudden Impulse of 96 nT, later observed by the Boulder magnetometer. This activity was due to the arrival of a CME associated with the 10 March M8 x-ray event from Region 1429. Measurements by the ACE spacecraft showed the solar wind speed increased from around 450 km/s to 775 km/s. The Interplanetary Magnetic Field (IMF) also increased from around 6 nT to 28 nT. As the effects of the CME continued, periods of major storms were observed with isolated sever storm levels at high latitudes from 12/0900-1500 UTC. From 13-14 March, quiet to active levels were recorded as effects from this CME event waned. On 15 March, another CME arrival was observed with another shock recorded by the ACE spacecraft, followed by a Sudden Impulse of 27 nT measured at the Boulder magnetometer. Solar wind measurements, as recorded by the ACE spacecraft, showed wind speeds around 800 km/s following the shock. Once again, quiet to major storms were observed at mid latitudes with isolated periods at sever storm levels at high latitudes. For the remainder of the summary period, 16-18 March, solar wind speeds remained elevated, well above 500 km/s, in response to a CH HSS behind the CME arrival on 15 March. The combined effects of the CME and CH HSS produced quiet to active levels at mid latitudes with continued minor to major storm periods observed at high latitudes.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
19 March - 14 April 2012

Solar activity is expected to remain at low levels from 19 -26 March. On March 27, and then March 28, old Region 1430 (N22, L = 318) and Region 1429 (N18, L = 299) are expected to return, respectively. Even though these regions are on the far side of the solar disk, imagery supports that they are still active and producing CMEs. An increase to low to moderate levels is expected from 28 March - 11 April as both regions populate to front side of

the solar disk. A return to predominantly low levels is expected to prevail for the remainder of the forecast period.

No proton events are forecast from 19 - 29 March. An increase to a slight chance for proton events is forecast from 30 March - 11 April as old Region 1429 populates the visible disk. A return to background proton flux levels is expected from 12 April - 14 April.

Electrons, greater than 2 MeV, are expected to be at high levels from 18-25 March. A decrease to normal to moderate levels is expected from 26 - 28 March. From 29 March - 03 April, a return to moderate to high levels is forecast. From 04 April, through the end of the forecast period, 14 April, a return to normal to moderate levels is expected.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be at quiet to active levels on 19-20 March, in response to the arrival and lingering effects of a CME. Predominantly quiet levels are expected to prevail from 21-27 March. On 28 - 31 March, a CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective with quiet to active conditions expected. Quiet conditions are expected from 01 - 02 April. From 03 - 04 April, quiet to unsettled conditions are expected as another CH HSS moves into a geoeffective position. Predominantly quiet levels are expected to continue from 05 - 12 April. From 13-14 April, a CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective.

361. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 19 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-19 16:21:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396a0a57d53504bb9af14d@google.com>
Source record: 3378
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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GB100MGY

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 04:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338644-GB100MGY&goto=newpost

GB100MGY special event callsign for 100th anniversary of sinking of TITANIC
will take place from

FORT PERCH ROCK MARINE RADIO MUSEUM NEW BRIGHTON WIRRAL ENGLAND (SJ39)

between 6th April and 26th April 2012 on all amateur bands including
special permission to use this callsign on the 12th to 18th April

on the 501 to 504 khz band, transmisions will be on 502 khz CW.

We are having an OVERNITE on 14th/15th April, the date TITANIC sunk with
special emphasis on the 502 khz frequency as it was this band 500khz where
the TITANIC sent her CQD and SOS distress calls/messages.

Please listen out for us and QSO if possible. QSL cards direct to M0BZZ
either direct or via the buro. Many thanks.:)

362. eHam.net News for Monday 19 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-19 22:34:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2352f54ee66e04bba02ace@google.com>
Source record: 3379
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Spectrum Used for Australian Formula One Grand Prix:

Posted: 18 Mar 2012 06:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27936

Consistent with past major sporting events, such as the Sydney Olympic games, the Melbourne Commonwealth Games and previous Formula One Grand Prix, the ACMA will licence some organisations coming from overseas to use, on a temporary basis, a small number of channels within the 70cm band. The Amateur Service is a secondary user in this band and has no to claims for protection from interference. Also one frequency in the 2 meter band is being used. The period of temporary use will be from Wednesday 14th March to Monday 19th of March. The WIA has a flexible attitude to use of amateur spectrum to support these major events that show cases the operational ability of Australian organisers.

363. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 20 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-20 11:10:36 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c92a8c2e8c0704bbaab8aa@google.com>
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club Rally

Posted:
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Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club's thirty-first Rally is due on Sunday 1 April
in the SHARE Centre, near Lisnaskea in County Fermanagh

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 142

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8EW9EejUxWI/soldersmoke_amateur_radio_podcast_142.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new episode of the SolderSmoke amateur radio Podcast is available

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Martello Tower Group mini DXpedition to Herm (EU-114)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6n8u_mQCYNM/martello_tower_group_mini_dxpedition_to_herm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Martello Tower Group are pleased to announce that their inaugural mini
DXpedition to the Island of Herm, part of the EU-114 IOTA group will take
place from the 4th to the 8th October 2012

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QSL Manager of the Year

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The Golist QSL Manager Data Service is reviving its 'QSL Manager of the
Year Award'. The purpose of this award is to recognize the service of QSL
Managers world wide for the service they provide to the World-Wide DX
Community

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Medway Amateur Receiving and Transmitting Society

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/onqr5sS2uCk/gb5mw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Medway Amateur Receiving and Transmitting Society will be on air from
Tuesday 27th March to Saturday 31st March activating Fort Amherst in
Chatham Kent

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Irish Radio Transmitters Society 80th Anniversary AGM and Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OUDwD0CiKa8/irts_agm_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The event this year is hosted by Dundalk Amateur Radio Society. The annual
dinner takes place on Saturday April 21st, with the Rally and AGM on the
following day

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DXCC Online

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B00V0lH5CIs/dxcc_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over the past several years, the DXCC has been working on a system where
applicants would enter QSO data from their QSLs into a digital DXCC
application

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Holyland Contest 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qjT9DLOvvFo/holyland_contest_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is with the greatest pleasure that we announce the Holyland Contest
2012, and invite all Radio Amateurs and Short Wave Listeners to participate

364. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 20 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-20 14:45:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934053d9b61fd04bba6bcbd@google.com>
Source record: 3381
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Mobile alabama hamfest, april 14, 2012 8 am 2 pm

Posted: 18 Mar 2012 11:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338551-Mobile-alabama-hamfest-april-14-2012-8-am--2-pm&goto=newpost

MOBILE HAMFEST

APRIL 14, 2012 8 AM ☐ 2 PM

ABBA SHRINE CENTER

7701 HITT ROAD Mobile, AL 36601

Corner of Hitt Rd and Schillinger Rd South

This is a drive in facility with 26,000 sq.ft. During setup hours you can drive up to your tables to unload. Coffee and doughnuts will be available Saturday morning.

SETUP: FRIDAY 2:00 PM ☐ 5:00PM

SATURDAY 6:00AM ☐ 7:30AM

ADMISSION: $5.00 Per Person

TABLES: $15.00 Each

TALK-IN: 146.82 (203.5 tone)

For more info or tables contact:

LJ Early, WB4YOR

Phone: 251-635-2327

or

Email: mobilehamfest@hotmail.com

Flyer: http://www.w4iax.net/RESOURCES/MOBIL...0flier2012.pdf

Website: http://www.w4iax.net/index.htm

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Mobile Alabama Hamfest APRIL 14, 2012 8 AM 2 PM

Posted: 18 Mar 2012 11:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338547-Mobile-Alabama-Hamfest-APRIL-14-2012-8-AM--2-PM&goto=newpost

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Website: http://www.w4iax.net/index.htm

365. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 20 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-20 16:50:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba85d54a92b04bbaf791c@google.com>
Source record: 3382
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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New Addres for your WWSA CW Contest log submission

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 11:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338696-New-Addres-for-your-WWSA-CW-Contest-log-submission&goto=newpost

New Addres for your WWSA CW Contest log submission -

Please pass the ball with the new WWSA CW Contest email address for your
log submission.

logs@wwsatest.org

During next days we will update our web sites and will ask all friends to
do the same.

We will keep you informed about our progress.

Cordiales saludos

Best regards

Alberto U. Silva LU1DZ

WWSA Contest Manager

http://www.lu1dz.com.ar

http://gacw.no/ip.org

http://www.wwsatest.org

http://www.lu-escuelas.com.ar

366. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event Stations for the London 2012 Olympic and ParalympicGames

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-20 17:39:09 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F68C089.90602@rac.ca>
Source record: 3383
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Special Event Stations for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games
2012-03-20

Press Release #1 19th March 2012.

Special Event Stations for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Some special event call-signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L (Two Oscar One Two Lima) from London, England and 2O12W (Two Oscar One Two Wales) from Barry, Wales. The Radio Society of Great Britain has been granted the 'Inspire mark' for these stations by the London 2012 Inspire programme.

The London station, 2012L will be active through the duration of the Games, located at the historic Eltham Palace, south-east London on 160m-2m, all modes. More information on the web site httpNJ//www.2O12L.com or contact the Press Officer, Mr. John Warburto
n
G4IRN at press@2o12l.com.

The Welsh station 2O12W will also be active on all bands from 160m to 23cms and all modes including SSTV and satellite from Whitmore Bay, Barry Island, Vale of Glamorgan, Wales. More information on web site http://www.2O12W.com or contact station manager: Mr Glyn Jones,GW0ANA, at glyndxis@talktalk.net.

Amateur radio operators everywhere will be able to share in the Olympic experience by making contact with the station and to exchange greetings messages with visitors and Games participants who visit the station - the team aim to make contact with as many of the Games participating countries as possible. Special QSL cards will be available to stations contacted.

The project aims to leave a lasting legacy by encouraging visitors to learn more about radio communications and the social, career and recreational benefits that it brings. Of course, visiting hams will be made very welcome at the stations.

If you would like to receive further information prior to the event, please respond to me at press@2o12l.com, telling me your deadline-date for publishing publicity material before the event. 2O12L and 2O12W go on the air on 27th July 2012.

73 de John Warburton G4IRN
Publicity Officer, Project Echo.

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Québec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

367. eHam.net News for Tuesday 20 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-20 22:16:30 UTC
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Message-ID: <14dae9340b3d9479b004bbb4062b@google.com>
Source record: 3384
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Connecticut ARES Takes on Increased Disaster Relief Role:

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:49 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27942

The role of ham radio in emergency communications continues to grow, and will become even more vital in the future. That was the message from Wayne Gronlund, Connecticut Section Emergency Coordinator, at the annual meeting of Connecticut ARES over the weekend. A series of natural disasters last year showcased the importance of ham radio, including Tropic Storm Irene, the pre-season nor'easter in October, and the tornadoes that swept western Massachusetts last summer, Gronlund said. Illustrating his remarks with a powerpoint presentation, he noted that the snowstorm in particular strained the system because electricity and phone service were disrupted for up to two weeks, especially in the Farmington area. The two disasters led to formation of the governor's two-storm study panel, and ham radio has become part of disaster planning by the newly revamped Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS).

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Geomagnetic Data Reveal Unusual Nature of Recent Solar Minimum:

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27941

Since the mid-1800s, scientists have been systematically measuring changes in the Earth's magnetic field and the occurrence of geomagnetic activity. Such long- term investigation has uncovered a number of cyclical changes, including a signal associated with 27-day solar rotation.

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New Addres for Your WWSA CW Contest Log:

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27939

Please pass the ball with the new WWSA CW Contest email address for your log submition.

368. The ARES E-Letter for March 21, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-21 05:20:07 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120321045411.4D4E42112F@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3385
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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==> INDIANA, KENTUCKY AND OHIO HAMS WORK TORNADO OUTBREAK

A devastating storm system moved across the United States on March 2,
spawning a slew of tornadoes that contributed to at least 28 fatalities
in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio. These tornadoes followed an earlier
outbreak that began on February 28 and left 13 dead across Kansas,
Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee and battered parts of Kentucky. The
Clark County (Indiana) Emergency Management Agency activated the local
RACES team to help provide communications support, hams in Eastern
Kentucky set up SKYWARN nets to assist the local National Weather
Service office and Cincinnati-area hams supported the National Weather
Service and the American Red Cross. The complete report can be found
here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-in-indiana-kentucky-and-ohio-provide-support-during-and-aft
er-tornado-outbreak>.
- ARRL Letter, ARRL Headquarters

==> 2012 NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE AMATEUR RADIO ACTIVITIES
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The National Hurricane Conference <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/>
will be held March 26-29, at the Hilton Orlando
<http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/O/ORLOCHH-HUR-20120324/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG>
in Orlando Florida. There will be several amateur radio activities going on during the week. The National Hurricane Conference (NHC) leadership continues to recognize the valuable contributions of amateur radio and again invited us to participate with two sessions. What a great opportunity for amateur radio!

NHC Session #1: Monday, March 26, 2012 from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm, the main amateur radio session titled, "Amateur Radio Training Sessions: Disaster Communications Before, During and After Hurricanes." NHC Session #2: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 from 8:30 am to 10:00 am, at the National Hurricane Conference (NHC), there will be an amateur radio session designed for Emergency Management agencies called "Amateur Radio Rap Session-The Emergency Manager's Hidden Resource".

On Monday, March 26, 2012 from 7:00 pm to 9:00pm, the Orange County Communications Auxiliary, the Orange County EOC and the ARRL Southeastern Division will host an interactive free "NHC Workshop" for all ARES interested amateur radio operators at the Orange County Emergency Operations Center, 6590 Amory Court, Winter Park, FL 32792. You will be able to meet other like-minded hams, the presenters of the Hurricane Conference amateur radio sessions and special guest Dr. Rick Knabb, Tropical Weather Expert at The Weather Channel. The agenda will be: introductions, conference presenters summarize the NHC amateur radio presentations, special guest speaker, emergency communications discussion, questions & answers and door prizes.

The three presentations will be livestreaming on the internet at, www.nsradio.org/stream.htm <http://www.nsradio.org/stream.htm> and www.voipwx.net/files/stream.htm
<http://www.voipwx.net/files/stream.htm>

All hams are invited at no cost to attend session 1 and 2 at the National Hurricane Conference and the NHC Workshop at the Orange County EOC.

For additional information:

http://www.hurricanemeeting.com <http://www.hurricanemeeting.com/>

http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/2012NationalHurricaneConferenceActivities.pdf

http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/O/ORLOCHH-HUR-20120324/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

http://www.southeastern.arrl.org <http://www.southeastern.arrl.org/>

http://www.voipwx.net <http://www.voipwx.net/>

National Hurricane Conference presenters are:

Special Guest Speaker: Bill Read, KB5FYA - Director National Hurricane Center

John McHugh, K4AG - Coordinator for Amateur Radio, National Hurricane Center, WX4NHC

Julio Ripoll WD4R - WX4NHC Amateur Radio Assistant Coordinator, http://www2.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw

Rob Macedo, KD1CY - Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> and ARRL SEC, Eastern Massachusetts

Mike Corey, KI1U - ARRL Emergency Preparedness manager

Greg Sarratt, W4OZK - ARRL Southeastern Division Director

We encourage you to visit all the activities you can and learn more about amateur radio emergency communications. Hope to see you there!

==> ARRL'S EPM COREY ON FEMA THINK TANK CALL

On February 17, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U, and Henry Katz, KB3NYW, of Baltimore County, Maryland participated as presenters in FEMA's Think Tank Conference Call. The conference was hosted by FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino from city hall in San Francisco, California. In attendance at City Hall were representatives from FEMA, local and state emergency management, NGO's, and the private sector. An audience of over 400 from around the country also participated via teleconference.

The focus of the Think Tank conference call was the use of technology and social media in emergency management. The two specific topics discussed were: (1) How to communicate with disaster survivors and distribute information to mass audiences if cellular and on-line communications are unavailable immediately following a catastrophic disaster; in particular, how existing communications tools, such as Amateur Radio operators, can be leveraged and linked to other forms of mass communications following a disaster; and (2) How mobile applications can help emergency managers and individuals prepare for, respond to, and quickly recover from disasters.

Katz presented an overview of the Amateur Radio Service while Corey presented how radio amateurs relay vital messages during a disaster and how Amateur Radio works in conjunction with new technologies such as the Internet and social media. Following the presentations there was time for the audience to make comments and ask questions. The feedback received was good and the Deputy Administrator summed it up by saying "They're not Amateurs but they are very much professionals." For more information on the Amateur Radio portion of the FEMA Think Tank Conference Call see http://www.fema.gov/thinktank/.

==> MESSAGE FROM ARRL'S EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MANAGER KI1U: GET ON THE AIR

In the March 2012 issue of QST your ARES E-Letter editor Rick Palm, K1CE, had some great advice and insight on training and certifications for EmComm. Taking part in regular training, whether a new course or a refresher, has several benefits. First, it lets our served agencies know that we take not only our relationship with them seriously, but their mission, too. Second, the learning experience itself benefits the individual Amateur. And third, taking part in regular training keeps us informed on what is happening with our served agencies.

Our focus on training, though, has missed something very important. Where do we start training? What is the first thing you should do if you want to help with emergency communications and public service? What is the most important training we can take part in? The answer was found in your Amateur Radio license study manual.

At the risk of being tarred and feathered by die hard EmComm enthusiasts, Amateur Radio is not all about emergency communications. It is about getting on the air and making use of the spectrum we've been granted. Training starts by turning on your radio. Any time you get on the air is training and a learning experience. It doesn't matter what you do on the air: Field Day, rag chewing, nets, DXing, contests, etc. What matters is that you get on the air. Not just when there is an ARES event or an emergency, but at every opportunity. GET ON THE AIR!

Think about this: what would we be doing if we didn't have spectrum to use? We get to keep our spectrum not by spelling out all the "what ifs" and doomsday scenarios. We keep it by using it, and using it a lot. There are those that wouldn't mind taking some of our spectrum from us. Saying we need it in an emergency doesn't always work; after all, even public safety feels the sting of spectrum grabs.

So how is getting on the air training? By being active on the Amateur bands, you will increase your knowledge of propagation, rules and regulations, station building, antennas, modes of communication, and build networks through the QSO's you make. It is a perpetual learning environment. After 25 years as an Amateur, I still learn new things by being active on the bands. Don't take my word for it; ask around to those in your EmComm group that have been there, done that, and have a closet full of t-shirts. Getting on the air is a learning experience.

You may not get a certificate for getting on the bands (well perhaps if you try DXing or contesting) and your served agency may not understand your excitement for logging that new country on 10 meters, but you will be learning and growing as an Amateur. So start training and get on the air. I hope to see you in my logbook soon. - Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager

==> TRAINING: ICS COMMUNICATIONS UNIT

Every incident requires that certain management functions be performed. The problem must be identified and assessed, a plan to deal with it developed and implemented, and the necessary resources procured and paid for. Regardless of the size of the incident, these management

functions still will apply.

There are five major management functions that are the foundation upon which the ICS organization develops. These functions are:

1) Incident Command -- Sets the incident objectives, strategies, and priorities and has overall responsibility for the incident.

2) Operations -- Conducts operations to reach the incident objectives, and establishes the tactics and directs all operational resources.

3) Planning -- Supports the incident action planning process by tracking resources, collecting/analyzing information, and maintaining documentation.

4) Logistics -- Provides resources and needed services to support the achievement of the incident objectives.

5) Finance & Administration -- Monitors costs related to the incident. Provides accounting, procurement, time recording.

The Communications Unit comes under the Logistics function, and develops the Communications Plan (ICS 205), to make the most effective use of the communications equipment and facilities assigned to the incident. Additionally, this Unit installs and tests all communications equipment, supervises and operates the incident communications center, distributes and recovers communications equipment assigned to incident personnel, and maintains and repairs communications equipment on site.

The Communications Unit is responsible for effective incident communications planning, especially in the context of a multiagency incident. All communications between organizational elements during an incident should be in plain language (clear text) to ensure that information dissemination is clear and understood by all intended recipients. Planning is critical for determining required radio nets, establishing interagency frequency assignments, and ensuring the interoperability and the optimal use of all assigned communications capabilities.

The Communications Unit Leader should attend all incident Planning Meetings to ensure that the communication systems available for the incident can support tactical operations planned for the next operational period.

Incident communications are managed through the use of an incident Communications Plan and a communications center established solely for the use of tactical and support resources assigned to the incident. Advance planning is required to ensure that an appropriate communications system is available to support incident operations requirements. This planning includes the development of frequency inventories, frequency-use agreements, and interagency radio caches.

Nets

Radio networks for large incidents may be organized as follows:

1. Command Net -- The command net links together Incident Command, Command Staff, Section Chiefs, Branch Directors, and Division and Group Supervisors.

2. Tactical Nets -- Several tactical nets may be established to connect departments, agencies, geographical areas, or specific functional units. The determination of how nets are set up should be a joint function designed by Planning, Operations, and Logistics.

3. Support Net -- A support net may be established primarily to handle changes in resource status but also to handle logistical requests and other nontactical functions.

4. Air-to-Ground Net -- To coordinate air-to-ground traffic, either a specific tactical frequency may be designated, or regular tactical nets may be used.

5. Air-to-Air Nets -- Air-to-air nets may be designated and assigned for use at the incident. An air-to-air net is designed to be used by airborne assets; ground units should not utilize this net. - FEMA ICS

==> LETTERS: VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT MODELS

I was EC in Leon County, Florida, and read your "Final" in the last issue with interest as it matches closely with our typing list that I, with Brian Short, KC0BS, developed several years ago after FEMA first released their initial typing structure. At the time I was the Technology Projects Manager for the Mid-America Regional Council and was developing a regional typing standard(s) for the entire Kansas City region for all emergency services personnel including volunteer groups such as Amateur Radio, CERT, and the Medical Reserve Corps.

In my new role as an Emergency Manager I'm now on the receiving end of the hams who want to help but I don't dare risk putting ineffective or untrained personnel into key positions using limited resources. This typing has been helpful in sending the right people to other jurisdictions locally and we hope it will be just as helpful on a state to state basis. How long has Flagler county been using their typing structure? Did you get any kickback from the hams when you implemented it? What do you think it will take to get these adopted on a national level so that we can share resources with some confidence that as a receiving agency we are getting what we need (which is, of course, the purpose of typing in the first place)? -- Matt May, KCEM, MEP Assistant Director, Operations, Johnson County Division of Emergency Management, Olathe, Kansas [There is a wealth of good information on the Flagler County, Florida, model of volunteer management here <http://www.flagleremergency.com/pages.php?pid=75>, including a program manual, application forms, and a volunteer typing matrix that was feautured in the last issue. - K1CE]

==> TRAINING: IS-201 ON ICS FORMS

There is a new IS-201 class that overviews some of the ICS forms that could be used in an incident. While the mix covered in this class is different than what I have seen in actual incidents, the class does present the forms and should provide a good overview of how and why they are utilized. I would suggest that this class be considered for more advanced ARES/RACES personnel. We will be adding it to the certification requirements for personnel on our command vehicle. -- Garth Kennedy, W9KJ, Administrative Officer, Naperville, Illinois EMA [Course Overview: This is a web-based training course on the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Incident Command System (ICS). The course is designed to provide training through an independent study vehicle on the use of ICS forms. Take the course here <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is201.asp>. - ed.]

==> LETTERS: MAPS AND GPS FALLIBILITY

The story Hams Help Save the Life of Fellow Ham <http://www.arrl.org/ares-el?issue=2011-12-21#toc09> in the December 2011 issue was interesting and heartwarming when learning of the safe rescue of the ham. The one thing that caught my eye was the misleading by the GPS in trying to lead to the motel the driver was looking for. I try to use the Internet mapping programs offered by Google and others. I print out the road and street layout of the location I am headed for when it is not a familiar location. I use my GPS to verify that I am on the roads that my map shows that I should be on, as I go along. When the GPS starts to send me to a road I know from the map is a wrong one, then I know not to trust or follow the GPS directions any longer. I then use the map and the roads shown on it to get where I need to get to.

Speaking in general, this is a good practice for any travel to an unfamiliar location such as for an assignment to an emcomm setup by an ARES member, and so on. These maps are incredible in detail, even including motels, gas stations, hospitals and so on. It is a resource that is free to anyone who has an Internet connection and a printer. Unfortunately, as we know, there is too much faith in cell phones and GPS devices, which are all too fallible, especially in an emergency. Printed maps do not depend on radio tethered devices. It is the one thing you can depend on, assuming you know how to follow a map, and it is not dependent on radio or satellites in any way. -- Murray Goldberg, KD2IN, Toms River, New Jersey

==> LETTERS: THE MODERN EOC

Thanks for the article Putting Amateur Radio in Context in the EOC [p.88, February 2012 QST]. I wholeheartedly agree with Troy and Bob's assessment stated in the last paragraph. I came to the same conclusion several years ago and joined up with CERT, the Medical Reserve Corps and the Local County Sheriff's Office Citizens on Patrol. The EMCOMM landscape has changed drastically here since 9/11, and Hurricanes Katrina and Ike.

Our county Mobile Command Center is equipped with every radio service imaginable, including satellite and Internet communications and Amateur Radio. Interoperability is vastly improved, though not perfect. Our local fire department reinstalled VHF radios in some of the trucks that are used for mutual aid to other counties since we have an 800 MHz trunking system but the more rural counties are on VHF FM. Currently there is a 700 MHz system being overlaid with the 800 MHz system for interoperability.

Half of our CERT members are radio amateurs. We have been called out for Search and Rescue, and use Amateur Radio and GMRS as our primary communication systems. The Medical Reserve Corp relies almost entirely on Amateur Radio for point to point communications as there are no funds for expensive Digital Trunking radio systems. Being a member of these different response groups allows one to meet and work with the decision makers at the county and city level. They see you as an emergency asset with a radio and not just someone who can talk on a radio. -- Eugene Murski, K5ZX, North Texas

==> FORMIDABLE FOOTPRINT: NATIONAL COMMUNITY/NEIGHBORHOOD EXERCISE SERIES

The series of Formidable Footprint <http://www.drc-group.com/> exercises for neighborhood, community and faith based organizations continues. The March 31 scenario is an earthquake. April 28's exercise involves flood scenarios. Exercises have also been scheduled for the following scenarios: Hurricane, Pandemic, Tornado, and Wildfire.

The Formidable Footprint exercise series has been developed in accordance with Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) protocols. The objective of the exercise series is for CERTs, Neighborhood Watch Programs, Neighborhood Associations, Community/Faith Based organizations, Citizen Corps, Fire Corps and others to work as a team to become better prepared for the next disaster their community may face. There is no charge for participation in any of the Formidable Footprint exercises. For additional information or to register for upcoming exercises, please access the following website: http://www.FormidableFootprint.org <http://www.formidablefootprint.org/> Stay informed regarding future exercises by joining the Formidable Footprint LinkedIn Group.

==> CHANGING OF THE GUARD IN NORTH CAROLINA'S ORANGE COUNTY

Laurie Meier, N1YXU, has retired as ARES EC for Orange County, North Carolina. During Meier's tenure as EC, the Orange County program was broadened with stellar leadership. Ms. Meier is the first to receive the North Carolina ARES Area 10 Outstanding Service Award. She humbly dedicated the award to the Orange County ARES group. Meier was instrumental in developing their ARES leadership team, structured and productive weekly nets along with meetings called "Ready Rallies" that have always produced better informed and trained ARES members.

With Meier's resignation, Steve Ahlbom, W3AHL, has gracefully accepted the position. Because of ramped up objectives by Emergency Management for interoperability and increased training demands, his new role will require strong leadership skills. Mr. Ahlbom is well respected among the amateur community, and brings a lot to the table as he has been part of the ARES leadership team as an AEC. Ahlbom has technical qualities and experience in an active role in supporting regional and state disaster groups. - North Carolina ARES Area 10 News, Volume 1, Issue 1, January 2012

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

I'm back on D-STAR with my ICOM IC-2200H and will have some reports on my experiences in the next few issues. It certainly is an exciting mode and the implications for Amateur Radio emcomm are almost limitless, with numerous applications for digital voice and data.

Thanks go to the ARRL's Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U, for his contribution to this month's newsletter, and for his continuing work for the League's emcomm programs. He is also my editor up at the Ivory Tower, and the last filter before these words hit the streets. Thanks, Mike!

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-21 06:28:02 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <12842744000.20120321070504@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3386
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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4J, AZERBAIJAN
The Ministry of Communications in Azerbaijan issued the two special
calls 4JS0NG and 4KS0NG till Jun 15 due to the Eurovision Song Contest.
QSL via RU3SD.

4U1ITU, ITU HEADQUARTERS GENEVA
After Chris,PA2CHR, and Rene,PE1L, have won the MMM Trophy in the
sections MS and EME for their C37MS and C56EME activities in 2011 they
want to thank everybody for that by activating 4U1ITU via EME from the
grid locator JN36bf together with Johan,PA3FPQ, and Jurgen,PE1LWT.
They will send and receive for one minute each on 144.134 MHz from
Mar 23-25 using a 2x8 Xpol yagi, 400 watts and a preamplifier after
WA2ODO. They will also have small radios for 6m and 70cm.
http://www.chris.org/cgi-bin/jt65emeA
http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

5T, MAURITANIA
Jean,ON8RA, will be active again as 5T0JL from Nouakchott mainly in CW
on 80m/40m/20m/15m/12m starting from Mar 21.
QSL via ON8RA, unfortunately only direct, see also QRZ.com.

5Z, KENYA
Charles,NV7E, announced to take part in the SOAB HP category of the
upcoming WPX SSB Contest as 5Z4EE. QSL via NV7E.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA, OC-088
Steve,9M6DXX, will be on the air again from Sarawak (OC-088/WLOTA 0119)
signing 9M8Z from Mar 23-28, including the WPX SSB Contest.
QSL via M0URX, LoTW or OQRS (siehe http://m0urx.com/oqrs).

C5, GAMBIA
Jan,OZ1IIL, is signing C56LH only in SSB on 80m-10m during the mornings
and evenings until Mar 26. QSL via OZ1IIL.

CE0/Y, EASTER ISLAND, SA-001
Tim,NL8F, is working as CE0Y/NL8F or with a special CE0 callsign in SSB and digital modes mainly on 17m and 12m (possible from 80m-6m) before and after the WPX SSB Contest. Maybe he will also try to work greyline on 75m. He will join the WPX as SOSB LP on 10m or in the allband class. Rumours say he will stay until Mar 26 and that he plans to activate also one or two other South American IOTAs. QSL via K8NA.

E5, NORTH COOK, OC-014
The 3D20CR crew is on tour again. Jan,DJ8NK, Uwe,DJ9HX, Hawa,DK9KX, Werner,DJ9KH, Hans,DL6JGN, Ron,PA3EWP, and Leszek,SP3DOI, are going to visit the Manihiki atoll between Mar 27 and Apr 10. Listen for E51M in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m. They will use five stations with 500 watts each, seven verticals and a 4 ele yagi for 6m.
QSLs via DJ8NK, OQRS after Apr 20. See also: http://www.manihiki2012.de

E5, SOUTH COOK, OC-013
While waiting for their connecting flights the E51M crew plans to work as E51EWP from Rarotonga (OC-013) from Mar 23-26 and from Apr 11-14.
QSL via DJ8NK, OQRS after Apr 20.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS, AF-004
Luis,EA8AY, will be QRV as EE8X (AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) in the SOAB category of the upcoming WPX SSB Contest. QSL via W2GR.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA
Jorge,EA7HZ, Al,EA7JR, Manolo,EA7LL, Cris,EA7RU, Pedro,EA7IZJ, Jorge,EA9LZ, and others will join the WPX SSB Contest as ED9Z.
QSL via EA9LZ, unfortunately only direct.

FH, MAYOTTE, AF-027
Hartwig,FH/DL7BC, will show up from Mayotte (AF-027) between Mar 21 and Apr 6. He will sign TO7BC in the WPX SSB Contest.
QSL via homecall, see QRZ.com. http://www.qslnet.de/member/dl7bc

FM, MARTINIQUE, NA-107
Vlad,RC0F, is active as FM/RC0F from Mar 20-28 and plans to join the WPX SSB Contest as TO5K in the SOAB HP category. QSLs via homecall.

FR, REUNION, AF-016
Stephane,FR/F5UOW, will be active mainly in CW on 40m-10m from Reunion (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WFF FFF-011, WLOTA 1812) between Mar 24 and Apr 14. He will use the special call TO2R from Mar 26 until Apr 9.
QSLs via F5UOW.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, NA-096
Luis,HI8LAM, will take part in the WPX SSB Contest as SOAB LP from Santo Domingo (NA-096, WLOTA 2974). QSL unfortunately only direct.

J5, GUINEA-BISSAU
J52EME for VHF/UHF and J52HF for HF (80m-10m) will be the callsigns of the DXpedition to Guinea-Bissau from Mar 24 until Apr 6. The "Verona DX Team" will become active with two groups at the same time with emphasis put on EME. Frequencies: 144.130, 432.900, 50.200 MHz.

The distribution of tasks looks like this: Lucio,I3LDP (SSB/RTTY/6m)
Walter,I3VJW (CW/SSB/RTTY), Tony,IK3ESB (SSB/CW/RTTY/6m), Enzo,IK3VVD,
Silverio,IK3IUL (CW/SSB/RTTY), Libero,IK3RBE (SSB/RTTY/6m),
Milena,IK3VZJ (RTTY/SSB), Livio,IZ3BUR (SSB/RTTY), Renato,I3EJ, and
Llario,IZ3STA (SSB/RTTY/6m). They will use following equipment on HF:
2 Kenwood 590s, 3ele yagi for 10m/15m/20m, Spiderbeam for WARC bands,
delta loop and dipoles for 40m/80m/160m. The team is going to visit
Father Gianfranco,J52OFM, in Cumura (Loc IK21dt) and they plan to buy
a microscope for the hospital in Cumura from the donations.
QSLs only direct via I3LDP or OQRS with a donation. Greenstamps and
donations are going to the mission.
For more details visit: http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam

K, USA
The "Mesilla Valley Radio Club of Las Cruces" in New Mexico will
activate the special event station K5B during the 23rd Bataan Memorial
Death March Marathon on Mar 25 from 1000-2300 UTC. Listen for K5B on
3893, 7225, 14330 and 21337 kHz. QSLs unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.n5bl.org

KH6, HAWAII, OC-019
Al,F5VHJ, announced to take part in the SOAB HP category of the WPX SSB
as NH7A from Keaau (OC-019, USi HI025S, WLOTA 0065, Hawaii county).
QSL via homecall.

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Yuriy,N2TTA, will sign KP2MM during the WPX SSB Contest (SOAB LP).
QSL via LoTW. See: http://www.n2tta.info

OH, FINLAND
The special event station OH150VR is active until the end of the year
and marks the 150th aniversary of rail transport in Finland.
QSL via OH4TY.

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Helmut,DF7ZS, will be QRV from the QTH of P40V on Aruba (SA-036) during
his spare time from Mar 21-27. He will sign P4/DF7ZS (QSL via DF7ZS)
before and after the WPX contest and P41P during the WPX SSB Contest.
QSL for P41P via W3HNK, unfortunately only direct.

PJ4, BONAIRE, SA-006
Four HAMs from the US (John,PJ4/K4BAI, Fred,PJ4/WW4LL, Brian,PJ4/NA4BW,
Eric,PJ4/W4DXX) will join the WPX SSB Contest from the rental shack of
K2NG on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) from Mar 20-27. They will sign
PJ4Z as Multi/2 HP. Direct QSLs via K4BAI, bureau QSLs can be requested
via e-mail to k4bai@att.net. The logs will be uploaded to the LoTW.

PZ, SURINAME
Serge,RX3APM, is going to hit the airwaves as PZ5P from Paramaribo from
Mar 21-26. He wants to take part in the WPX SSB Contest as SOAB HP.
QSL via UA4LU, LoTW.

S5, SLOVENIA
The radio club in Cerkno (S50E) celebrates its 55th anniversary by activating the two special calls S555E and S55CERKNO until the end of this year. QSL via bureau, LoTW. See: http://www.s50e.si

SP, POLAND
The special event station HF4KUMURADOJO is activated until Mar 23 on the occasion of the 4th Days of the Japanese culture. QSL via SP9PDG. See http://sztygarka.republika.pl or http://kumuradojo.org
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The special event station 3Z45HBW is QRV until May 7. QSL via SP5ZRW.

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-011
Jonas,SA0AAZ, and Carin,SA0BAC, will spend their diving holidays in the Truk Stop Hotel on Weno Island (OC-011) from Mar 26 until Apr 10. They will be QRV as V63AAZ and V63BAC in CW/SSB on HF using an IC-7000 and a wire antenna. QSLs via SA0AAZ.

VE, CANADA
Bill,VE6BF, from Beaumont in Alberta will use the special callsign VC6Z from Mar 24 until May 27. He will join the WPX SSB Contest and also the WPX CW Contest (May 26/27). QSL via VE6BF.

Noe,VE2BR, and Gregg,VE3ZZ, will sign VC2G (QTH Mercier/Quebec, Zone 5, Loc. FN35ch) during the WPX SSB Contest (M/S). QSL via VE2BR.

VK9/N, NORFOLK ISLAND, OC-005
Bob,ZL1RS, plans a 6m DXpedition to Duncombe Bay (Loc RG30xx) on Norfolk (OC-005, WFF VKFF-392, WLOTA 1469) from Mar 25 until Apr 8. Listen for VK9N/ZL1RS in SSB on 50.110 MHz and in CW on 50.1106 MHz using an IC706, 400 watts amplifier and stacked yagis. Bob will be QRV also on 6m via EME during the moonrise and moonset (50.190 JT65A). He also plans a DXpedition to Niue (ZK2) in September.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.qsl.net/zl1rs/vk9n.html

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, NA-002
David,W5CW, will be QRV from Caicos (NA-002) in the WPX SSB Contest. VP5/W5CW works in CW and SSB on 160m-6m from Mar 20 until Apr 11. Listen for VP52V during the WPX SSB Contest.
QSLs via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

XT, BURKINA FASO
Yuki,JA3VWT (XT2VWT), Kita,JA3IVU (XT2IVU), Jun,JH3AEF (XT2AEF), and Shu,JO3VVO (XT2VVO), are working from Ouagadougou in SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m from Mar 21-28. QSLs via homecalls.

XU, CAMBODIA
Sei,JA7LU (XU7NPC), and Hiroo,JA2VWG (XU7DDD) will show up in SSB and digital modes on 40m-6m from Sihanoukville (Loc OK21) from Mar 22-26 and also from Rong Samloem Island (AS-133, WLOTA 0096, Loc OK10) from Mar 26-28. QSLs via homecalls (JA2VWG unfortunately only direct).

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Eric,K9GY, will be QRV as T6MO from the Helmand province (grid MM21) during the WPX SSB Contest (SOSB LP). He is running 100 watts into a dipole at 9m height, if conditions are fine on 10m and 20m.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

YS, EL SALVADOR
The "Club de Radio Aficionados de El Salvador" members Mario,YS1GMV, Mario,YS1MAE, Roberto,YS1RS, Florencio,YS1ZC, Francisco,YS1FAF, Jose,YS1MS, and Federico,YS1FEA, will sign HU0A in the WPX SSB Contest.
QSL via YS1GMV.

ZA, ALBANIA
Tevfik,TA1HZ, and Fatos,ZA1FD, will be active as ZA1TC from Durres using a TS570D and a Windom antenna from Mar 23-26. Tefvik wants to focus on 30m PSK31 outside of the contest. QSL via homecall.

PIRATES
The callsigns YI1IRQ, YI1HRP, YI1HR, YI1WR, YI1SR, YI1SA and YI1BGD are abused by pirates. See also QRZ.com.

Donations welcome
The "Radio Amateur Society of Thailand" is under patronage of his majesty the King of Thailand (HS1A). The RAST club station HS0AC was flooded last year and the damage is approx. 150.000 Euros. Donations are very welcome and are possible direct to the club or via PayPal to donate@rast.or.th
On the purpose of fundraising an EME action is planned for April.

QSL Manager of the Year
The Golist QSL Manager Data Service is reviving its "QSL Manager of the Year Award". The purpose of this award is to recognize the service of QSL Managers worldwide for the service they provide to the DX Community Nominations for this award for the year of 2012 will be accepted from DX and contest clubs until August 1.
Each DX club and Contest club is encouraged to poll their members for their nominations for the "Top 5 QSL Managers for 2012". The definition of a QSL manager for this award is any person who confirms contacts via printed QSL card for any station other than their primary callsign. Each club should tabulate the votes of their members and submit to the Golist the Top 5 vote getters as voted by members of their club. Each club may only send one submission for voting purposes. A plaque donated by DX Publishing, Inc. (publisher of QRZ-DX and THE DX MAGAZINE) will be awarded to the selected "QSL Manager of the Year" at the W4DXCC Convention held in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee in September 2012.
The recognized format for your club's submission is as follows:
Club Name, Club Officer (Name, Call Sign, club office and e-mail), Top 5 QSL Manager Nominees (list name and callsign). In the subject line of your official e-mail put "QSL Manager of the Year-2012" and send it to: golist@gmail.com. See also: http://www.golist.net

United Nations Global Service Center
The ARC of the UNGSC in Brindisi/Italy has got the club call 4U1GSC.

This station does not count as a new DXCC or a new WAE country.
However, pile-ups should be no problem with this prefix.

DXCC Approval
Following DXpeditions were approved for DXCC credit: XW1A, XW0ZJZ

New DXCC fee model
The ARRL has announced a new fee model which will come into effect on
April 2. There will be no mixed applications with paper QSLs and LoTW
anymore but there will be a new online portal to enter your QSL data.
This list is combined with the paper QSLs and sent to the examiners.
The fee can be paid online. These reasons have led to this step:
- Promotion of the application number
- Problems with mixed applications
- Simplifying the price structure
- Cost coverage
- Improve customer service
See http://www.arrl.org/news/view/arrl-announces-new-dxcc-fee-structure

Logs Online
The logs of the recent DXpeditions 3C0E and 3C6A were uploaded to their
homepage: http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 24/25 CQ WPX Contest, SSB
Mar 26 DIG-PA Contest

World Wide Iron Ham Contest (update)
The Brazilian "Araucaria DX Group" (ADXG) has moved their new contest
(announced in last DXNL) to Dec 29/30: http://www.araucariadx.com/ih

Triathlon DX Contest
The Greeks had the same idea and invented the "Triathlon DX Contest"
which will take place for the first time on Feb 2, 2013.
See: http://triathlon-dx-contest.blogspot.com

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Jaime,WP3A, will be QRV as EF8C from Mar 21-27.
His stay on Tenerife Island (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) includes
a participation in the WPX SSB Contest (SOAB/LP). QSL via NP3O (d).

Felipe,NP4Z (member of the Los Chachos Contest Club), will join the
WPX SSB from Santa Cruz on Tenerife as EE8Z. QSL direct via W2GR (d).

AF-018, IH9, Pantelleria Island: Raffaele,IH9YMC, will take part in the
WPX SSB Contest as SOSB from Pantelleria (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124,
WLOTA 0041, Loc JM56XT). QSL via eQSL only.

AS-004, 5B, Cyprus Island: Jack,R2AA, will be QRV as P3N from Pachyammos
on Cyprus (WLOTA 0051, Loc KM65HE) during the WPX SSB. QSL via RW3RN.

EU-003, CU1/2, Eastern group: Toni,OH2UA, will show up as CR2X during the
WPX SSB Contest from Ilha de Sao Miguel (DIP AZ-002, PIP AC-002,
WLOTA 2016). QSL via OH2BH (bureau/direct). See: http://www.cu2a.com

EU-005, GM, Scotland: Paul,2E1EUB, will visit the Cairngorms National Park
(WFF GMFF-001, Loc IO87MC, WLOTA 1234) for one week starting on Mar 24
and will sign 2M1EUB from the Eastern part of Scotland. Activities are
planned on 160m/80m, via satellite and in SSB on 2m.
QSL via 2E1EUB (bureau/direct). Website: http://www.qrz.com/db/2M1EUB

EU-013, GJ/MJ, Jersey: Craig,MJ/K3PLV, and Pete,MJ/K8PT are going to hit the
airwaves from Jersey (WLOTA 0818, Loc IN89) between Mar 27 and Apr 3.
They will use power amplifiers and beams in CW, SSB, RTTY and maybe
also PSK on 160m-2m. QSLs via homecalls.

EU-025, I*9, Sicily Island: Giuseppe,IT9HBT, Momo,IT9GNG, Rino,IT9FXY,
Enzo,IT9ECQ, Mike,IF9ZWA, Sal,IW9FRA, Mimmo,IW9GTD, Davide,IW9HII, and
Dario,IT9RDZ, will be QRV as II9K from Marsala (IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107,
WLOTA 1362) during the WPX SSB Contest. QSL via IT9HBT (bureau/direct).

EU-053, OJ0, Market Reef: Harry,OH6VM, and Pekka,OH6MC, will sign OJ0VM and
OJ0MC from Market Reef until the end of March. They also plan to join
the WPX SSB Contest. QSL for OJ0VM via OH6VM and for OJ0MC via OH6MC.

EU-054, I*9, Egadi Islands: Raffaello,IT9ATF, Renato,IT9NPR, Pippo,IT9PPG,
and Pino,IT9WDC, will sign IF9A from Favignana Island (IIA TP-011,
MIA MI-025, WLOTA 1545) in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (M/S).
QSL via IT9ATF (bureau/direct).

EU-120, G/M, English Coastal Islands: Kevin,2E0WMG/p, will be active in SSB
on 80m-10m from Lundy Island (WAB: SS14) from Mar 27-31.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-127, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State South group: A crew of about 30 HAMs
will activate the island of Helgoland (GIA N-15 WLOTA 0518, Loc JO34WE)
from Mar 21-28. DA0HEL will run four stations, Spiderbeam and wires
mainly on the IOTA frequencies. A separate station will be set up for
VHF. They also plan to go to little island "Helgoland Dune" (GIA N-15,
WLOTA 2130, Loc JO34XE) for 2 or 3 days. Activities can take place only
during the day. DL0IH will be QRV mainly on 40m and 20m.
QSLs for both stations via DF6QC (bureau/direct).

NA-034, W4, Florida State Centre West: David,K2DBK, is going to visit his
family from Mar 21-23 and will hand out IOTA points as K2DBK/4 during
his spare time. He will try to work in SSB on 14260 or 21260 kHz every
day from 1700-2200 UTC. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).
He will upload his log to the LoTW as well.

NA-142, W4, Florida State North West: Brian,WB9QVR, and Conner,KC9NOX,
are planning to activate Santa Rosa/Okaloosa (USi FL003S, Escambia/
Okaloosa Counties) for one day between Mar 26 and 29.
Listen for WB9QVR/4 on the usual IOTA frequencies.
QSL only direct via WB9QVR (d).

SA-039, CX, Maldonado/Rocha Department group: The special callsign CW4R
will be activated by the Radio Club Uruguayo from Gorriti Island from
Mar 23-25. They plan to work in SSB, CW and digital modes on all HF
bands and also in the WPX SSB Contest. QSL via bureau or direct.
For more details visit: http://www.cx1aa.org

Interesting: Judy,KJ4HXC, and Ronald,WW4GA, activated a few lighthouses on
Prince Edward Island (NA-029) and Cape Breton (NA-010) in Sep 2011.
A short story and some nice pictures can be found on their website:
http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/03/14/lighthouse-hunting-atlantic-canada

Lighthouse activities

9M8Z LH 0119 Mar 23&#65533;28
CE0Y/NL8F LH 0319 Mar 22&#65533;26
D4A LH 1976 Mar 24&#65533;25
FR/F5UOW LH 1812 Mar 24&#65533;Apr 14
HI8LAM LH 2974 Mar 24&#65533;25
KP2MM LH 2477 Mar 24&#65533;25
NH7A LH 0065 Mar 24&#65533;25
NH7DX LH 0065 Mar 24&#65533;Apr 15
P41P LH 0033 Mar 24&#65533;25
PJ4Z LH 1279 Mar 24&#65533;25
TO2R LH 1812 Mar 26&#65533;Apr 9
TO7BC LH 0376 Mar 23&#65533;Apr 6
VK9N/ZL1RS LH 1469 Mar 25&#65533;Apr 8
XU7DDD/p LH 0096 Mar 26&#65533;28
XU7NPC/p LH 0096 Mar 26&#65533;28

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

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24Mar-31Mar 2M1EUB 1772 *
Resident 3B8FA 1765
15Mar-21Mar 3D2YA 1771
Unknown 3W7W 1768
-07May 3Z45HBW 1772 *
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772
23Mar-25Mar 4U1ITU 1772 *
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04Mar-04Apr 5H3MB 1769
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-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772 *
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17Mar-25Mar XQ7UP 1771
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-Apr ZS7KX 1740/1749
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QSL information
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2E0WMG/p via 2E0WMG (B)
2M1EUB via 2E1EUB (B)
3Z45HBW via SP5ZRW (B)
4J3DF via RW6HS (d)
4JS0NG via RU3SD (B)
4K0CW via DL6KVA (B)
4KS0NG via RU3SD (B)
4U1ITU via (B)
5A2FHE NOT: via IN3FHE
5H3MB via IZ2GZU (B), (L)
5T0JL via ON8RA
5Z4EE via NV7E (B)
6V7Z via RA9FW (B, March 2012)
6Y0A via WA4WTG (B)
6Y1V via OH3RB (B)
6Y1V via OH3RB (B)
7P8CC via EI7CC (B)
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7P8GF via ZS6AYU (B)
7Z1HB via DE1ZHB (B)
9A200Z via 9A0Z (B)
9M6AAC via N2OO (B)
9M8Z via M0URX, LoTW, OQRS
A35YZ via DL7DF (B)
A41CK via A47RS (B)
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM (B), (L)
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C6AZZ via K4IIO (d)
CE0Y/NL8F via K8NA
CM8RRM via EA5KB (B)
CR2X via OH2BH (B)
CT9/RC5A via RC5A (B)
CW4R via (B)
D2PZ via BG6JPZ (d)
DA0HEL via DF6QC (B)
DK3UZ via G6XOU (B)
DL0IH via DF6QC (B)
DQ125HSB via DF7AA (B)
DQ125HSB via DF7AA (B)
DU6/JJ1LQG via JI0PFZ
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EB5BBM/BA7PI via EB5BBM (B), (L)
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EE3CME via EB3JP (B)
EE8X via W2GR (B)
EE8Z via EA8AY
EF8C via EB7DX (B)
ET3AA via ET3SID (d)
EY8DX via UA4LCH (B)
FH/DL7BC via DL7BC (B)
FK8CE via LZ1JZ (B)
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FR/F5UOW via F5UOW (B)
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HD91CM via W7SE
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HI8CJG via EA7FTR
HI8LAM (d)
HU0A via YS1GMV
IF9A via IT9ATF (B)
IH9YMC only eQSL
II9IGA via IT9YEM (B), (L)
J52EME via I3LDP (d), OQRS
J52HF via I3LDP (d), OQRS

J79SZ via G7SOZ (B)
JH1TEB/BY1RX via JH1TEB (B)
JT1F via JT1DA (RRDXC) (d)
K5B (d)
KG4ss via K4MIL (B)
KH0WW via JP1IOF (B)
LX/DL5AXX via DL5AXX (B)
LZ1784SIB via LZ1KCP (B)
MJ/K3PLV via K3PLV (B)
MJ/K8PT via K8PT (B)
MW2I via WW2R (B)
OJ0VM via OH6VM (B)
OK/OE5HCE/p via OE5HCE (B)
OK7T via OK1FHI (B)
OZ/DL4LAX via DL4LAX (B)
NH7A via F5VHJ (B)
OH150VR via OH4TY
OJ0MC via OH6MC(B)
OJ0VM via OH6VM (B)
P3N via RW3RN (B)
P4/DF7ZS via DF7ZS (B)
P41P via W3HNK (d)
PJ2/DK5ON via DK5ON (B)
PJ2/DL5RDP via DL5RDP (B)
PJ4/K4BA via K4BAI, (d), k4bai@att.net, e-mail (B)
PJ4/NA4BW via K4BAI, (d), k4bai@att.net, e-mail (B)
PJ4/W4DXX via K4BAI, (d), k4bai@att.net, e-mail (B)
PJ4/WW4LL via K4BAI, (d), k4bai@att.net, e-mail (B)
PJ4Z via K4BAI, (d), (L) k4bai@att.net, e-mail (B)
PZ5P via UA4LU (B), (L)
S555E via (B), (L)
S55CERKNO via (B), (L)
SM7CRW via W3HNK (d)
T6MO via K9GY(B), (L)
TC18M via TA1HZ (B)
TM0X via F4BKV (LoTW only)
TO2R via F5UOW (B)
TO5K via RC0F (B)
TO7BC via DL7BC (B)
TP8CE via F5LGF (B)
UN/RT9T via RT9T
V21ZG via DL7AFS (B)
V47JA via W5JON
V63AAZ via SA0AAZ
V63BAC via SA0AAZ
VC2G via VE2BR (B)
VC6Z via VE6BF (B)
VK9N/ZL1RS via ZL1RS (d)
VP5/W5CW via W5CW (d)
VP52V via W5CW (d)

WB9QVR/4 via WB9QVR (d)
XF1AA via IT9EJW (B)
XT2AEF via JH3AEF (B)
XT2IVU via JA3IVU
XT2VVO via JO3VVO
XT2VWT via JA3VWT
XU7DDD via JA2VWG (d)
XU7NPC via JA7LU (B)
YP3A via YO3ND
ZA1TC via TA1HZ (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: CE4A (SA-095, KC2ZDC,) PW2M (SA-071, AI4U),
S21DX (AS-127, EB7DX), VE3LYC

QSLs arrived bureau: 3C9B (AF-010, EA7FTR), 3W7TK (OK1HWB), 5B/SM0JHF,
8N3XV (AS-007), 8P9NX (NA-021), 9J3A (S57S),
9M6/UA3QNS (OC-088), A62END (IZ8CLM), CE3PG,
CT3/DL6MFE, DL7UMK/p (EU-042), EI/DL5CW (EU-115),
GM/DH5JBR/p (EU-008), HP1/DJ2ST (NA-072),
IC8/IW8EHK/p (EU-031), IE9/IK5BCM (EU-051),
IM0R (EU-165), IM0/IK2QEI (EU-024), LA/OK1AMM (EU-055),
MD/EB1BSV/p (EU-116), NH2B/KH0 (OC-086, JA1BAN),
OX/NA1SA, PJ4I (SA-006, DL9USA), SM1/DK3PZ (EU-020),
R3/EU6DA, SX5A, T88MR (OC-009, K9NW), TA2/DL2JRM,
TA3/LA6GV, T88TB (OC-009, JH3QFL), V55DLH (DK8ZZ),
XQ7UP, 3B8/SP2FUD (AF-049)

QSLs arrived LoTW: 3DA0PW, 3V8SS, 4L1FIP, 4X4JU, 4Z5CX, 4Z5IW, 6W7SK,
9A1CRJ, A25NW, A41OO, BD7IS, C21HA, C31US, C6AKM,
C6ANM, CE/K8GU, CT1IUA, CT7/OH2OT, CT8/W1NN, CT9/SP7VC,
CX9AU, DK2DQ, DK4YJ, DL1EK, DL1GWW, DL4FCH/p, DL9FBF,
EA3CI, EE7NL, EF7NL, EG7NL, EG9A, EG9IA, EO3Q, EO15UA,
EX2B, FG/F6ITD, FK/F4BKV, GS3PYE/p, HB0/DK4YJ, HQ0R,
HU2DX, HU4U, I5NXH, I/F6HBI/p, IU2R, IW0BET, J38VG,
JA0CGJ, JF1PJK, JG6JAV, K0TV, KC2ZDC, KE9I, KM4HI,
KU8E, MD/K3PLV, MJ/K3PLV, MM0GYX/p, N0MA, N4UU, NE0U,
N6WN/VP9, N7DC, OH6LNI, OH7LNI, OH7M, OH7W, OH8X,
OZ/DL4FCH, OZ5UR, P40J, PA/ON4OSA, PJ2/WI9WI, PY2KQ,
S07L, S50R, S51DX, S51FB, S57A, SE5S, SG3U, SM3CXS/3,
SM7UFR, SP/DL5WW/p, SP9YFF/p, SQ9OZH/p, TG0R, TJ2RSF,
TN2T, UA9CDC, UB4LW, VA3NA/2, VE3EY/2, VE8EV, VK2DX,
VO1KVT, VP5B, W0LSD, WX4G, XR5L, YE1H, YM0T, ZD7XF,
ZF2LC

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OE2IKN, S50U, VA3RJ and others.

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370. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 21 March 2012

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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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RARS Fest April 7th, 2012

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338752-RARS-Fest-April-7th-2012&goto=newpost

Good evening one and all. This announcement is for RARS Fest which is going to be on the North Carolina State Fairgrounds in Raleigh, North Carolina on April 7th, 2012.

It's an ARRL State Convention and some big names in Ham Radio are going to be there including AMSAT and ARRL. There's also going to be Walk In VE Testing if you want to get your ticket for the first time or if you're looking to upgrade. There's also going to be a host of other activities. For more information go to http://www.rars.org/hamfest

73, Justin KK4HEK

371. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 21 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-21 11:08:18 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Titanic Movie - The Last Signals

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cb3cgd5V-J0/titanic_movie_the_last_signals.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Last Signals is the story of the sinking of the RMS Titanic from the
point of view of its Marconi Telegraph Operators.
Harold Bride, the Junior Operator, is the focus of the film. John Phillips
is the Chief Operator

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Follow The Torch Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VOIh1E3Guvg/follow_the_torch_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Worked All Britain Awards Group is promoting an award based upon
following the Olympic Torch around the UK

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Special Event Stations for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BOmXIEmsJA0/london_2012_olympic_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Some special event call-signs will be activated to celebrate the London
2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L (Two Oscar One Two Lima) from
London, England and 2O12W (Two Oscar One Two Wales) from Barry, Wales

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ARISS ham radio space contact with Salem Elementary School, Apex, NC

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sNjU0EChOC8/ariss_event_2103.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at Salem Elementary School, Apex, NC
today (Wednesday), the 21st March

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aUi4aHIfwKY/march_21.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Wednesday's ARISS contact on EchoLink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PouVcPiVXy8/ariss_contact_on_echoLink_and_irlp.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station school contact with Salem Elementary School in Apex, North Carolina on Wednesday, March 21 at 14:09 UTC via ground station VK5ZAI in Australia

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GB100MGY - Titanic special event callsign

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iRoQlPONjwY/gb100mgy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The special callsign of GB100MGY has been obtained by and will operate from Fort Perch Rock Marine Radio Museum, New Brighton, Wirral, U.K

372. Get Ready: Digital QST is Coming Soon

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Coming Soon: NEW ARRL Membership Benefits

Dear <Member>

We are excited to announce two new ARRL membership benefits that will be introduced in June 2012.

In addition to the print copy of QST, all members will have access to an online, digital edition of QST at no extra cost. You will be able to access QST from anywhere--on nearly any computer, laptop, mobile device, smartphone and tablet (including Apple iPad, iPhone, and devices using the Android operating system).

Also in June, members will gain access to archived issues of QST from December 1915 to the present (previously, only issues through 2007 were available to members). If you are familiar with the current periodicals archive (which serves images of pages), that platform will be expanded to include all of QST from December 1915 through December 2011. A second, new archive will be introduced for issues beginning January 2012, featuring enhanced functionality including full-text search.

Be Prepared!

Members must have a valid ARRL website login to access the current digital edition of QST and archived editions. For a smooth launch of these exciting new benefits, and so that you will be able to quickly access the digital version of QST as soon it becomes available, we are e-mailing you some information that will help you login to the ARRL website prior to launch.

Login Instructions

Please follow these personalized, step-by-step directions below to login to the ARRL website:

- Go to www.arrl.org
- At the top, center of the page in "Site Login", enter your Username: and the password you selected during registration.

Forgot Password?

If you have forgotten your password, here are some steps to help you obtain a temporary password which you can use to Login. We recommend writing this temporary password down prior to logging in, then Login using your username and the temporary password.

Select "Forgot Password" on the Login page

- To reset your password by e-mail:

1. Select "By Email" from the dropdown menu
2. Enter your Username: and e-mail address. You must use the email address that you used to originally register for a website login account.
3. Click "Submit"

- To reset your password by member credentials:

1. Select "By Member Credentials" from the drop down menu
2. Enter your Username:
3. Enter your Member ID:
4. Enter your Call Sign OR Last name
5. Click "Submit"

Once you are logged in, select "Edit your Profile" to change your password to something you can more easily remember.

Questions?

Contact Member Services by email circulation@arrl.org or by telephone 860-594-0200 or 888-277-5289 (US only).

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373. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 21 March 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Radio Deluxe 6.0 Preliminary Features List Released

Posted: 20 Mar 2012 06:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338912-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-6-0-Preliminary-Features-List-Released&goto=newpost

Tampa FL, St. Paul MN, Pittsburgh PA - September 19, 2011

HRD Software, LLC is pleased to announce a preliminary list of features for Ham Radio Deluxe v6.0, due to be released in time for the Dayton Hamvention. ☐In the past five months, we☐ve spent a lot of time addressing the backlog of bugs and defects. We☐ve also ported the code base from Visual C++ 6.0 to Visual Studio 2010,☐ said Mike Carper, WA9PIE. ☐But we also recognize that product development also needs to include new features that will sustain the appetite for improvement within the user base.☐

Ham Radio Deluxe v6.0 will include improved awards reporting, contest interfacing, additional digital modes, support for various keyer products, improved and simplified layouts, log export in a number of requested formats, and rig support for a number of popular unsupported radios like the Ten Tec Eagle and rotors like the M2.

☐In all, we have between 30 and 40 new compelling features planned for potential inclusion in version 6,☐ said Carper. ☐That☐s probably about 25% of the items on the drawing board. It☐s our intention to continue to grow the product for the users.☐

HRD Software, LLC plans to release the final specific list of features approximately 30 days prior to the 2012 Dayton Hamvention.

HRD Software, LLC is on the web at http://www.hrdsoftwarellc.com or http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

374. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 21 March 2012

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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Delmarva Chicken Festival K3C

Posted: 20 Mar 2012 09:23 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338826-Delmarva-Chicken-Festival-K3C&goto=newpost

Delmarva Chicken Festival

Looking for operators

June 16 Center at Salisbury Mall, Salisbury, MD 21804

10 am till 8 pm

Call Sign K3C

Special event station

Anyone interested in operating at the Special event Station, send us an email. Qsl cards will be available after the event. Send us a card, and an SASE, and we will return it. Details to follow before event.

375. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/WEEK 12 2012

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Date: 2012-03-21 21:42:21 UTC
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** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.01 - WEEK 12/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-03-21
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ZP; 2M EME

Greetings from Paraguay! Sadly today's operation trying for VE, VK, ZP,
and JA only gave us a few broken sequences that could be decoded. My
next dates both look good for EU and maybe for the U.S. April 3 1930z
(my moonrise) for as long as our battery holds out. April 6 2130z
(my moonrise) again for a long session. I would prefer not to take skeds
for these two dates. I will try to work whoever has the best decode.
The frequency will be 144.141 and I will transmit first. The weekend of
April 7th and 8th is not possible for me. I hope the 3rd and 6th will
produce a lot of QSOs and a new country for many of you! 73 and hope
to work you, de Steve ZP9EH

SOURCE: Steve, ZP9EH to MOON-NET

** DXCC: 4U1ITU; square JN36BF; start 2012-03-23

The mmonbounce activity at 4U1ITU will be starting end of this week!

We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter from the ITU building in Geneva as
4U1ITU.
4U1ITU counts as a separate entity for the DXCC award and has never

been activated in WSJT.

We will be there from March 23rd till March 25th 2012, so only 3 days!
Don't miss it.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)
If all ok we will have a small 6 meter and 70cm setup with us too.

We will be on N0UK for last minute freq change.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/4u1itu

73 Chris PA2CHR, Johan PA3FPQ, Jurgen PE1LWT and Rene PE1L

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4114

SOURCE: Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

LATEST NEWS by Lucio, I3LDP, dated 2012-03-19:

Hello EMErs! The packing is done, loaded with equipment for
the DXpedition and aids for the Cumura Hospital. Each of us
has two suitcases of 23 Kg plus a backpack of 8 kg. The
pockets of our jackets and pants are loaded with coaxial
connectors, spare relays, some GaAsFET and the desire to
give a new Country via EME. Remember that we'll be active on
144, 430 and 50 MHz EME with the callsign J52EME and with the
callsign J52HF on HF and 50 MHz tropo. For info and updates,
and log online, visit the website of ARI Verona DX Team at:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/ The site is updated
by I3EJ which will be our link with you. Hoping to QSO you
from J52EME !

73 Lucio I3LDP Team Leader Verona DX Team

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3987

SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

**DXCC: XV; square OK10; start 2012-03-28

Hermann DL2NUD, and Peter DJ4TC will try to be active from Vietnam on EME

LATEST NEWS by Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2012-03-13:

Hermann did send the latest information about RIG QRGs and Activity Times:
144.144 MHz 17el yagi, db6nt preamp, hlv2000 beko
432.090 MHz 38el yagi, db6nt preamp, 50 W
1296.120MHz 62el yagi, db6nt preamp, 400 W
They will try to be qrv: 28.3 - 10.4 in OK10 / 12.4 - 20.4 in OK20

MAIN NEWS:

The Team plan to be qrv from 28.03. until 20.04. as XV4HP (DL2NUD) and as 3W4TC(DJ4TC).
Maybe 2 Squares will be activated: OK10 and OK20 from Island of Phuqouc on 2m 70cm und 23cm
More Infos will follow if closer the dates...

SOURCE: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: HS; square OK16 ; start 2012-04-01

HS0ZIL qrv from Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

I am happy to announce that there will be a next trip to Thailand around April.

More informations you will find on the special homepage on http://www.moonbouncing.net/
and
http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?addcom=1&id=4080

Stay tuned on these sites for further informations!!!

SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: FG; square FK96; start 2012-04-12

LATEST NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated 2012-03-17:

Operation details :
Call sign : FG4KH
Rig: FT897D, LNA, SSPA 500w, 2x10Xpol DK7ZB
QRG: 144,116 MHz , if any changes due to birdies Ill advise you
FG4KH TX always 1ST Period
If necessary, I repeat sequences 3 times but not more. If I dont receive
confirmation after 3 times, I jump to another station so you will have to
call me again.
Usaually I do not send 73
No restriction, you can call any time
Dont forget to spread out between +/- 600Hz.
In this second activity I will try to satisfy all but in first those
who are not in the first log.
It is an holiday style activity,you will find infos on MMMonVHF about
schedule, events and quick log. All others infos and complete log will
be in the expedition web site (see the link below).
See you soon from French West Indies
73
Philippe

**DXCC: HS; square ; start 2012-04-18

E2E EME-DXpedition in Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

LATEST NEWS from Swen, HS0ZFZ, dated 2011-12-24:

The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His
Majesty the King - HS1A - The clubstation of RAST ? HS0AC ? was
submerged by 2m of waters during the previous century flood ? which
was in the media worldwide - I believe ? some pictures of the club
station after the water tide was gone ? www.qsl.net/RAST or RAST
forum.com RAST and HS0AC lost equipment worth around 200,000 USD
(150.000 Euro) incl. our mainstation rig FT-1000 MK Mark V ? which
is believed will not be able to be repaired. RAST settle up an
account for donations to help the clubstation getting back on air
soon. Donations could be done directly to the club or via paypal
to donate@rast.or.th (wrong in the Newsletter!).
There is also a EME activation ?E2E? planned
during April to help to raise some funds for HS0AC

** DXCC: EY; square MM48; start 2012-04-27

From April 27 untill April 29, Frank, DL8YHR, and Rene, PE1L, will be
active from Tadzjikistan via EME. Callsign not known yet. Locator will
be MM48JN near the city of Dushanbe and Dushanbe airport.
Frequencies: 144.134 and 432.090, EY will TX always first.
They will be on N0UK logger. They are only 2.5 moonpasses QRV so do not
miss them. Check the logger for last minute changes in frequency.
More info on:
http://www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme

SOURCE: Frank, DL8YHR and Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME
with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire
(PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.

If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near
Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the
weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit
insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a
update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We
have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4108

** DXCC IS; squares JN40, JN41, JM48, JM49; start 2012-06-12

Patrick, ON7ARQ will be QRV from Sardinia from June 12th untill June 26th.
During the contest on June 16th/17th he will be signing IM0/ON7ARQ (from
the Island Isola di San Pietro?)

SOURCE: Patrick, ON7ARQ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZK2; square AH51; 2012-07-09

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012

Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could
mark your calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the
end of August ;-) As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with
me on 6m EME when I was in E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be
active during our common moon windows - especially during the optimum days of
the month for 6m EME. The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email),
and the QTH has not been finalized, but all the plane tickets have been purchased
(as usual, any contributions are VERY welcome), and the equipment (a KX3 portable
transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works. As soon as the license
is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:

http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm

I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference
for a takeoff shot over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work
NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating), so we will get the ground
gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset
over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period,
as we did together from E51 and 3D2; Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS.
More details will be posted on the above website as the departure time at the end of August
gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73,
Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA; square KQ50; start 2012-08-11

Only 3 Squares remaining on a visit of the OH8K Team in the northern area -
KQ50 will be one and will be tried to activate in August 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to be qrv from KQ50
during 11-16. August 2012 as LA/OH6ZZ on 2m FSK/EME. QRG and more details
will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: VK9N; square RG30; start 2012-03-25

VK9N/ZL1RS 6m dxpedition

To advise I will be QRV on 6m from Norfolk Island as VK9N/ZL1RS from 25 March
until 07 April with stacked Yagis and good power. The grid square is RG30XX.
I will be concentrating mostly on ionospheric propagation but will also look for
stations via 6m EME at my moonrise and moonset (no elevation at VK9N).
There is more detail of the EME operating times from the link on my web site at
http://www.qsl.net/zl1rs/ Check also for 6m EME updates at
http://www.on4kst.org/chat/login.php?band=5 73, Bob ZL1RS

SOURCE: tnx to Bob, ZL1RS, direct to MMMonVHF

*** DXCC: E5, NORTH COOK, OC-014; start 2012-03-27

The 3D20CR crew is on tour again. Jan,DJ8NK, Uwe,DJ9HX, Hawa,DK9KX,
Werner,DJ9KH, Hans,DL6JGN, Ron,PA3EWP, and Leszek,SP3DOI, are going to
visit the Manihiki atoll between Mar 27 and Apr 10. Listen for E51M in
CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m. They will use five stations with 500 watts
each, seven verticals and a 4 ele yagi for 6m.
QSLs via DJ8NK, OQRS after Apr 20. See also: http://www.manihiki2012.de

SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1772 (Mar 21, 2012)

** DXCC: HB0; square; JN47; start 2012-04-25

Kasimir, DL2SBY und Georg, DF1SR, qrv from Liechtenstein (HB0)
Kurzwelle (25 April 05 Mai 2012)
Call: HB0/DL2SBY
80-10m in SSB/CW/RTTY
Equipment TS2000, Acom1010, Antenna Spiderbeam 20/17/15/12/10 and HF9V

*SHF via EME *
Call: HB0/DF1SR 28-29 April Dubus EME Contest on 13cm
30 April 03 Mai Aktivity 6cm and 9cm
We can be found in the HB9Q chatroom. For 6cm and 9cm first activation
on EME from HB0.
Equipment TS2000, FT726R, Spiegel 3,7m

SOURCE: tnx to Kasimir, DL2SBY, direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC:VP2V; square FK78; 2012-06-21

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS DXPEDITION: VP2V on 6 METERS Only (50.115.6 Mhz.
CW & 50.115 Mhz. SSB)

W9DR, Dave, will be operating from the British Virgin Islands on 6 meters
from June 21, 2012 to July 2, 2012.

The call will be VP2V/W9DR and he will be on 50.115.6 Mhz.CW and 50.115 Mhz. SSB.

Please submit conformation request (QSL) to W9DR's home address.

SOURCE: tnx to W9DR direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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376. eHam.net News for Wednesday 21 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-21 22:34:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934062bb4398104bbc86558@google.com>
Source record: 3393
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Voices of Almonte Students Reached International Space Station 10 Years Ago

Posted: 20 Mar 2012 06:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27948

EMC News - When the crew of Expedition 3 came over the western horizon a decade ago, at a speed close to 27,700 kilometres per hour (kph), about 370 kilometres (km) above the earth, a remarkable adventure was about to start at R. Tait McKenzie Public School in Almonte. At 5:46 a.m. Nov. 23, 2001, one student from each grade level, kindergarten to Grade 8, was ready to speak by amateur radio with the commander of the International Space Station (ISS) as he passed high overhead in orbit. This exciting educational project took place before most students and parents are usually out of bed. By 5:30 a.m. there was standing room only along the sides and back of the school gym. Shortly before 5:45 a.m., there was a hush as everyone waited for the ISS to come into radio range. This prearranged contact was the result of months of preparation and a successful school application to the newly established Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program. The radio arrangements were ready to go thanks to the support of volunteers from the Almonte Amateur Radio Club. When the telephone call from NASA came Nov. 1, we learned that our contact with the ISS was scheduled in 22 days. There was some drama in the school gym before the students were able to talk with the commander of the ISS. "November- Alpha -1-Sierra-Sierra, this is R. Tait McKenzie Public School calling." The first call to the ISS went unanswered. So did the second and third calls to NA1SS. Concerned faces were visible and whispered conversations started. "Something must be wrong." We didn't know our radio contact coordinator, Bob Clermont (VE3AKV) was watching the clock very carefully as he made each call. The ISS wouldn't be within radio range for more than a minute - and he knew it. On the fourth call, there was the voice of the ISS commander. "Oh, you are up," he joked. Visible relief swept across the gym. Great drama.

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Gene Earl Powell, KD0KMR (SK):

Posted: 20 Mar 2012 06:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27947

Sunrise Beach, Mo. -- Gene Earl Powell, 70, of Rosebud, Mo. passed away Thursday, March 15, 2012 at his residence. Gene was born at Sunrise Beach on December 22, 1941 to the late Raymond and Evelyn (DePew) Powell. He had

served his country with the United States Air Force; was a member of the Rosebud American Legion; and was a previous owner of G.E.P. Enterprises. He enjoyed aviation and was a licensed private pilot and also enjoyed amateur radio communications and was a member of the National Assn. for Amateur Radio Operators.

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Ham Radio Deluxe 6.0 Preliminary Feature:

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27946

HRD Software, LLC is pleased to announce a preliminary list of features for Ham Radio Deluxe v6.0, due to be released in time for the Dayton Hamvention. "In the past five months, we've spent a lot of time addressing the backlog of bugs and defects. We've also ported the code base from Visual C++ 6.0 to Visual Studio 2010," said Mike Carper, WA9PIE. "But we also recognize that product development also needs to include new features that will sustain the appetite for improvement within the user base."

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2012 Titanic Event Pigeon Forge TN:

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27945

ONE OF OVER 2,208 PASSENGER CREW STORIES - CAPTAIN EDWARD JOHN 'E.J.' SMITH, DIED APRIL 15, 1912 Being the Captain of the RMS Titanic was to be the crowning glory of a long and distinguished career. Edward J. Smith was 62 years old and had been at sea for nearly 50 years. Serving on a variety of ships, he had become popular with his crew and with passengers, and many wealthy people would only sail on a ship under his command. As Captain of Titanic, he would receive a substantial salary, as well as a "no-collision" bonus. E.J. Smith was married and had a daughter. Retirement and spending time with his family filled his thoughts on the maiden voyage of the greatest ship ever built. As Titanic launched from Southampton, England, Captain Smith narrowly averted a collision with a smaller boat, the New York, and some saw the incident as a bad omen. He normally dined alone, but on the night of April 14, 1912, he was the guest of honor at a dinner hosted by wealthy Philadelphians George and Eleanor Widener. He excused himself from the dinner early, possibly because Titanic had received warnings of ice in the vicinity. He retired to his cabin and was later awakened by the collision with the iceberg. He quickly made his way to the bridge and was reportedly seen at various locations during the ensuing hours, but his actions during the chaos of the sinking remain largely a mystery. What he expected as his crowning glory instead became the end of his career:and the end of his life.

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Win a Baofeng UV-5R Dual-Band HT:

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27944

With the help of our very generous sponsor,
Import Communications (formerly Wouxun.us),
AmateurRadio.com is giving away a
Baofeng UV-5R Dual-Band HT:

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Get Ready: Digital QST Coming Soon:

Posted: 19 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27943

In addition to the print copy of QST, all members will have
access to an online, digital edition of QST at no extra
cost.

377. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 170] Special event stations WARD 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 01:05:16 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F6A78E8.7040901@rac.ca>
Source record: 3394
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

[IARU-R2-News 170] Special event stations WARD 2012
2012-03-21

On April 18, 2012 we will celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day on the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU.

This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launching of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

For this reason there will be several special event stations from IARU's Member Societies active on different dates during April: 6H6IARU, 3G73IARU and LZ1WARD.

If IARU's Member Societies plan to have a special event station for this reason in April let us now so we can publish the details before the end of this month. Send us an email to news@iaru-r2.org with the information.

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You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

378. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1332396001@panix.com>
Source record: 3395
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

379. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1332396300@panix.com>
Source record: 3396
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

380. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 22 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 11:05:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba1792ddbe404bbd2e0e3@google.com>
Source record: 3397
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pY-AeNxGxVE/march_22.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Well, what an odd week, quite the reverse of most weeks

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Special event stations WARD 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IXvxKKc44Z4/special_event_stations_ward_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On April 18, 2012 we will celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day on the 87th
Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union

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Hallicrafters - Voice of Victory 1944

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Zp6V9uF7c4s/hallicrafters_voice_of_victory_1944.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A 1944 video that describes how the Hallicrafter HT-4B transmitter,
originally produced for radio hams, was used by the U.S. Army

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UKube-1 to launch in 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AryJQE7u5Yw/ukube1_to_launch_in_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first satellite to be built in Scotland is due to be launched next year

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BBC Interview - Elon Musk and Mars

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pU6O1LZQ7vA/elon_musk_and_mars.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On BBC Radio 4, Elon Musk of SpaceX speaks about his plans for flights to Mars

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14 year-old 'first to receive Titanic distress signal'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZmKLCLaTqkY/14_year_old_first_to_receive_titanic_distress_signal.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video, telegrapher David Myrick VO1VCE reflects on the time his great uncle Jimmy - then only 14 years old - received the Titanic's first distress signal in Cape Race, Newfoundland and Labrador

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1215-1300 MHz Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) repeaters

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Pt0VgsmBGH4/gnss_repeaters.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom are consulting on proposals for a light licence regime to authorise the use of Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) repeaters in the UK to operate in any of the following RNSS frequency bands

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Slovenian club celebrates 55th birthday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O7CR0YJ8E8Y/slovenian_club_celebrates_55th_birthday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Radio Club Cerkno (S50E) will activate the special event callsigns S555E and S55CERKNO throughout 2012. Activity is to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Club's foundation

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Win a Baofeng UV-5R Dual-Band HT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S2Cm0wSeZmQ/win_a_baofeng_dual_band_ht.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AmateurRadio.com is giving away a Baofeng UV-5R Dual-Band HT (144/440 MHz) in a free draw

381. rec.radio.amateur.misc

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 13:28:05 UTC
From: saktheeswari k <ksaktheeswari94@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <33e63c19-8263-41e6-9730-424011ec19b3@9g2000pbn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3398

Increased interestingness of extraneous details in a multimedia
science
presentation leads to decreased learning. Mayer RE, Griffith E,
Jurkowitz IT,
Rothman D.http://123maza.com/46/glory248/

382. Is KV4FZ Back?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 14:14:24 UTC
From: Nomen Nescio <nobody@dizum.com>
Message-ID: <7e5026c6e3d34b14cc3e2b04098b8ba4@dizum.com>
Source record: 3399
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

I noticed a few snippets from a search engine that mentioned Herb's name along with 'kv4fz'. It sounds like he has his call sign back, is that correct?

I thought he was treated shabbily after his efforts to clean up the net that was breaking the law, so I hope he really does have the call sign again.

One of the great present-day amateur radio operators.

383. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 22 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 16:34:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec529973985f44a04bbd77b20@google.com>
Source record: 3400
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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IRESC helps out in Mexico Earthquake.

Posted: 21 Mar 2012 01:13 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?338925-IRESC-helps-out-in-Mexico-Earthquake&goto=newpost

I Salvadore Torres am the Senior Vice President of the (IRESC)
International Radio Emergency Support Coalition and had our President
Urcun Canel of IRESC Turkey help out in Mexico when the earthquake happen,
check out our efforts on this video !

http://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=3164613806726

20 March/March 2012 Mexico 7.8/7.3 occurring during the earthquake
emergency EMCOMM/9Z4FZ IRESC International IRESC conducted by Turkey over
the management. VE7XAT, VE3BDE for the international flow of information
within the process and information flows and YV5LFX and on his (Mexico),
XE1HFL, WE2MMC, XE1HAT to geridönüler, XE2AES, XE1HHM and XE2KWZ Sig
XE1RCS. Miguel thanks to ...

We would like to thank you for the coop of the EMCOMM and all feed back
from 9Z4FZ IRESC International/Net control IRESC VE3BDE VE7XAT, Turkey to
all stations from Mexico XE1HAT, XE1HFL, YV5LFX and WE2MMC, XE2AES, XE1HHM
and XE2KWZ Sig Miguel XE1RCS,

IRESC is monitoring and offering support to Mexico as needed.

Salvadore Torres

Senior VP/Director of Presidents

384. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 22 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 16:49:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340509ec351804bbd7aa6b@google.com>
Source record: 3401
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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9M6/OH2YY Spratly Islands

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 06:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339089-9M6-OH2YY-Spratly-Islands&goto=newpost

OH2YY will be active from Palau Layang Layang Island , Spratly Islands
23-26 March 2012 as 9M6/OH2YY

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ratly-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

385. The ARRL Letter for March 22, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 19:23:20 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120322185816.776DC22D9E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3402
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + NEW ARRL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS COMING IN JUNE

The ARRL is excited to announce two new membership benefits that
will be introduced in June 2012. In addition to the print copy of QST,
all members will have access to an online digital edition of QST -- at
no extra cost. You will be able to access QST from anywhere -- on
nearly any computer, laptop, mobile device, smartphone and tablet
(including Apple iPad, iPhone, iTouch and devices using the Android
operating system). Members will also gain access to archived issues of
QST from December 1915 to the present; previously, only issues through
2007 were available to members. If you are familiar with the current
periodicals archive, that platform will be expanded to include all of
QST from December 1915 through December 2011. A second, new archive
will be introduced for issues beginning January 2012, featuring
enhanced functionality including full-text search. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/coming-soon-new-arrl-membership-benefits>.

==> + ARRL ANNOUNCES NEW DXCC FEE STRUCTURE
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The DX Century Club (DXCC) is the premier Amateur Radio operating award. Available to hams around the world, tens of thousands of awards have been issued since 1945 under the modern award program. In 2012, the DXCC program is not only still thriving, but it is growing, both in participation and in numbers of award options. The addition of Logbook of the World and soon, the addition of an Online DXCC Application utility, will continue to help the program grow. Effective Monday, April 2, the way DXCC fees are assessed will change. These changes will include both rate increases and rate decreases. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-announces-new-dxcc-fee-structure>.

==> + 2012 NATIONAL HURRICANE CONFERENCE TO FEATURE AMATEUR RADIO ACTIVITIES

The National Hurricane Conference -- scheduled for March 26-29 in Orlando, Florida -- will feature several Amateur Radio activities. The National Hurricane Conference leadership continues to recognize the valuable contributions of Amateur Radio and has invited several radio amateurs to participate in two sessions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2012-national-hurricane-conference-to-feature-amateur-radio-activities>.

==> + ON THE AIR: SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS PLANNED FOR LONDON 2012 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES

Some special event call signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales. The London 2012 Inspire program has granted the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) -- Great Britain's IARU Member-Society -- use of the "Inspire mark" for these stations. Both stations will be on-the-air for the duration of the Games, July 27-August 12. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/special-event-stations-planned-for-london-2012-olympic-and-paralympic-games>.

==> + EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET THIS WEEKEND IN MISSOURI

The ARRL Executive Committee will meet Saturday, March 24 in St Louis, Missouri. Agenda items include a review of the ARRL policy on repeater coordination, a look at how the mandated study on Amateur Radio -- as outlined in Section 6414 in the just-passed payroll tax legislation -- will be implemented, the first periodic review of the National Broadband Plan Committee report, discussion of the proposed changes to the FCC's rules as set forth in report from the ARRL Electromagnetic Compatibility Committee and more . ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, serves as chairman of the Executive Committee. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/executive-committee-to-meet-this-weekend-in-missouri> for more information, including a link to the meeting's agenda.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun has long been set
<http://www.poets.org/viewmedia.php/prmMID/21699>" Cook, K7RA, reports:
Solar activity declined this week - the average daily sunspot numbers
were off by more than 13 points to 75.1, while the average daily solar
flux dropped more than 32 points to 102.1. Solar flux values have also
dropped below 100 for the past two days; they are expected to remain
there until March 28. The next short-term peak in solar flux is
expected at the 135 level for April 3-6. The predicted solar flux for
March 22 is 95. On March 23-26, expect 90, then 95, 100 and 100 on
March 27-29, 130 on March 30-April 2, then 135 on April 3-6, and 130,
120, 115 and 105 on April 7-10, and 100 on April 11-15. The predicted
planetary A index is 7 on March 22, 5 on March 23-27, 10 on March 28, 8
on March 29-31, 5 on April 1-2, 8 on April 3-4, 5 on April 5-9, then
12, 5, 5, 15 and 10 on April 10-14, and 5 again on April 15-23. Look
for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, March 23. For more
information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical
Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad
Cookism" is brought to you by William Wordsworth's The Sun Has Long
Been Set <http://www.poets.org/viewmedia.php/prmMID/21699>.

==> + TAPR OPENS "INTEREST LIST" FOR HERMES SDR

Tucson Amateur Packet Radio (TAPR) announces the opening of the
"interest list" for the openHPSDR Hermes single-board Software Defined
Radio. The Hermes interest list is used by TAPR to determine the number
of Hermes boards to manufacture in the pending initial production run
this spring. Hermes is a long-awaited addition to the openHPSDR project
lineup, advancing through four prototypes while evolving from a
USB-based to an Ethernet-based transceiver in about two years. Hermes
is a Direct-Down-Conversion receiver, a Direct-Up-Conversion 500 mW
transmitter and a gigabit Ethernet interface all on one board. Also on
board is an RF-quiet switch-mode power supply, which allows Hermes to
run from a single 13.8 V dc source. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/tapr-opens-interest-list-for-hermes-sdr>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- March 24-25 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (SSB)
- March 26 -- QRP Homebrewer Sprint
- March 28 -- SKCC Sprint
- March 28-29 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- March 31-April 1 -- Missouri QSO Party
- April 1 -- UBA Spring Contest (SSB)
- April 3 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest

Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- March 23-24 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-2>, Lewiston,
Maine
- April 7 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-1>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett,
Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle,
Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho;
63rd International DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>,
Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radi
o-electronics-expo-1>,
Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe,
Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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386. Re: Is KV4FZ Back?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-22 21:13:12 UTC
From: kb9rqz <kb9rqz@home.com>
Message-ID: <jkg4me$1g1o$1@adenine.netfront.net>
Source record: 3403
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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an on topic post
"Nomen Nescio" <nobody@dizum.com> wrote in message
news:7e5026c6e3d34b14cc3e2b04098b8ba4@dizum.com...
>I noticed a few snippets from a search engine that mentioned Herb's
> name along with 'kv4fz'. It sounds like he has his call sign back,
> is that correct?
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> I thought he was treated shabbily after his efforts to clean up the
> net that was breaking the law, so I hope he really does have the
> call sign again.
>
> One of the great present-day amateur radio operators.
>

--- Posted via news://freenews.netfront.net/ - Complaints to news@netfront.net ---
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387. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1806 - March 23 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-23 09:00:18 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120323090003.4C30533C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3404
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1806 - March 23 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1806 with a release date of March 23rd, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio and social networks respond following an earthquake in Mexico; an A-P-R-S equipped ocean buoy is released off the coast of Alaska; Missouri hams could be hit hard by a proposed distracted driving law; London Olympic ham radio stations are announced and the birds are back. Find out what we mean on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1806 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AND SOCIAL NETWORKS RESPOND TO MEXICO EARTHQUAKE

Amateur radio operators and the social media have responded in the wake of an earthquake that hit Southwest Mexico on March 20th. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with what we know so far:

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What has been described as a powerful and prolonged earthquake rocked parts of Mexico on Tuesday, March 20th. The 7.6 magnitude temblor near the Pacific Coast resort town of Acapulco. According to news reports, some homes were toppled near the quakes epicenter. Electricity and telephone communications was lost for a time. But despite the quake's power, Mexico's President Felipe Calderon and officials across the country said that there were no reports of serious injuries.

While there was some damage to the nation's internal communications infrastructure, Mexico's connection with the outside world for the most part remained unscathed. So far nothing has been heard about activation of any domestic Mexican ham radio emergency group. As we go to air, the only international ham radio operation we have heard about is a group called the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition. IRESC President, Urcun Canel, TA0U, in Istanbul, Turkey worked with about 8 or 9 hams in Mexico passing early damage assessment reports to the European continent. Some of this communications audio was posted to Facebook:

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Actuality audio communications. Hear it by downloading the MP3 audio file of this newscast at www.arnewsline.org

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You can hear the entire communications session at tinyurl.com/iresc-mexico-quake. But the real story in this case is the response by the people in the affected areas.

While telephone and cellphone service was jammed as is the case after events like this, broadband connections were still open and quite useful. Anyone watching or listening to broadcast news reports often heard tweets from residents of the quake hit area being quoted as news sources and giving short eye-witness assessments via Twitter.

Also, broadcast news organizations world-wide were asking people with relatives in the quake zone to call in or post to the stations website the latest news they might have. In other words, news organizations were literally handling health and welfare traffic that until a year or two ago was primarily the domain of radio amateurs involved in emergency communications.

Quite a change from day's gone bye.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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More in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ARNewsline, published news reports with audio from IRESC Facebook posting)

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RESCUE RADIO: CONNECTICUT ARES FRONT AND CENTER ON EMCOMM PREPAREDNESS

The role of amateur radio in emergency communications continues to grow and will become even more vital in the future. That was the message from Connecticut Section Emergency Coordinator, Wayne Gronlund, N1CLV, at the annual meeting of that states ARES groups over the weekend of March 17th and 18th.

According to Gronlund, a series of natural disasters in 2011 showcased the importance of amateur radio in emergency situations. These included tropic storm Irene, a pre-season nor'easter in October, and the tornadoes that swept western Massachusetts last summer.

Illustrating his remarks with a Power Point presentation, N1CLV noted that the snowstorm in particular strained the system because phone and electrical service were disrupted for up to two weeks. Especially in the Farmington area.

These two disasters led to formation of Governor Deniel Malloy's two-storm study inquiry. Among the panel's recommendations is holding a real time training exercise this year. One that would involve municipalities, the Red Cross and ARES to determine what assets are

available and what improvement is needed.

Such a state-wide exercise is now scheduled for July 28th to the 30th and will involve amateur radio resources. More is on the web at tinyurl.com/ct-rescue-radio. (Hartford Examiner)

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LEGAL HAPPENINGS: PROPOSED MISSOURI DISTRACTED DRIVING LAW HAS NO EXEMPTIONS FOR ANYONE

Missouri drivers including hams, C-B operators, emergency response personnel and even someone just tuning a vehicles A-M radio could find themselves standing before a judge. This if a new distracted driving law is enacted as proposed to that states legislature. Matthew Chambers, NR0Q is here with the rather strange details:

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If you were to get pulled over this morning and told that you were getting a ticket for distracted driving because you took a sip of coffee during your morning commute would you be surprised. If a Missouri Senate Bill written by Senator Bill Stouffer, of Saline County passes, this is what Missouri drivers could be facing.

Senate Bill 717 would make it a class C misdemeanor to "Fail[s] to give full time and attention to the operation of the motor vehicle; Fail[s] to maintain a proper lookout while operating a motor vehicle; or Engage[s] in any other activity which causes the operator to be distracted from the primary mission of driving such motor vehicle."

There are no exemptions for hands-free devices, two-way or CB type radios, or for operators of emergency vehicles or law enforcement personnel. If passed as written, the police officer writing a ticket to enforce this would most likely also have to write themselves a ticket for distracted driving as well.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Matthew Chambers, NR0Q near Macon, Missouri.

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While it may sound funny to think of a police officer having to cite himself for using his departments radio communications system, it might one day happen in the "show me" state. The rather short but complete text of this proposed law is on-line at tinyurl.com/mo-distracted-driving. (NR0Q)

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RADIO RESEARCH: ICE GOAT 1 APRS BUOY GOES TO SEA OFF ALASKA COAST

A group of Oceanography and Aeronautical engineering students from the U-S Naval Academy have deployed a radio equipped ocean buoy rigged to monitor weather in the harsh conditions of the arctic. Named Ice Goat

1, the buoy was placed off of the coast of Point Barrow, Alaska. Once the winter ice melts the buoy will begin its sea voyage.

In addition to its scientific monitoring gear, Ice Goat 1 carries an APRS beacon operating on 145.825 MHz. The position packets can be relayed via the International Space Station digipeater. However, as the ISS only rises 1.5 degrees above the horizon at arctic latitudes reports of direct reception of the 145.825 MHz beacon are being sought from any Alaskan, and eventually Pacific Northwest amateur radio stations that may be in range of Ice Goat 1. Reception reports go by me-mail to wb4apr(at) amsat (dot) org. (AMSAT, WB4APR)

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RADIOSPORTS: LONDON OLYMPIC COMMEMORATIVE HAM RADIO STATIONS ANNOUNCED

Some special event call-signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The London station, 2012L will be active through the duration of the games. It will be located at the historic Eltham Palace, south-east London on and will operate all modes on 160 through 2 meters. More information about it is on the web at www.2O12L.com.

The Welsh station 2O12W will be operational on all bands from 160 meters through 23 centimeters and all modes including SSTV and satellites. It will be located at Whitmore Bay, on Barry Island, More information on the web at www.2O12W.com

2O12L and 2O12W will go on the air July on 27th. The Radio Society of Great Britain has been granted use of the games Inspire trdemark for these stations. Special QSL cards will be available to all stations contacted. (G4IRN)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA4TEP repeater serving Greenville North Carolina.

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO RULES: TOWERS VS. BIRDS - CATS GET THE BLAME

The birds are back. New interim regulatory procedures will take effect soon for certain new towers to address bird kills. Yet the issue remains a sensitive one for many people in broadcasting, two-way radio and others who own and maintain tall lighted tower structures. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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A new report from the FCC is likely to be scrutinized by anyone involved in the debate. Among its assertions is that by best estimate communications tower strikes by avian creatures do kill 6.6 million birds a year in the United States. Even so, while proposed regulatory changes may affect the total somewhat, bird deaths from towers are, and will remain, only a tiny fraction of bird deaths from all causes.

The report also notes that while communications towers contribute to the overall adverse impacts of all human activities on bird populations, communications tower collisions are only responsible for approximately 0.3 percent of the more than 2 billion annual bird deaths that currently occur due to cats and other predators. In addition, these deaths occur against a backdrop of high natural mortality to migrating birds due to a number of factors. Although the absolute number of birds killed at communications towers is large, towers are a relatively minor contributor to total human-caused avian mortality, and the impact of these deaths is likely even smaller when considered in the context of high natural mortality.

These findings are part of a Federal Communications Commission report assessing the environmental impacts of its Antenna Structure Registration System. The report was prepared by the Maryland based firm the URS Group for the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The report is likely to continue the ongoing debate over what the permanent tower registration rules and procedures should be. You can read the details at tinyurl.com/The-Final-PEA. (FCC, CGC, RW)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SEEKS INPUT ON EMERGENCY SHUTOFF OF CELLULAR SERVICE

The FCC wants to know how you feel about the government or private enterprises using its ability to order a shutdown of broadband communications systems in times of emergencies or perceived emergencies. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reports:

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The Federal Communications Commission's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau are jointly seeking comment on issues related to intentional interruptions of Commercial Mobile Radio Service by government authorities for matters deemed in the interest of public safety. The issue stems from Bay Area Rapid Transit's shut-down of cellular telephone service on August 11th of last year in the face of political and social protests taking place in the San Francisco area.

According to General Docket Number 12-52, any intentional interruption of wireless service, no matter how brief or localized, raises

significant concerns and implicates substantial legal and policy questions. The service interruption last summer drew sharp criticism, and state and local governments have recently grappled with how to address possible future events.

The FCC says that it is concerned that there has been insufficient discussion, analysis, and consideration of the questions raised by intentional interruptions of wireless service by government authorities. As a result, Docket 12-52 seeks comment on the legal constraints and policy considerations that bear on an intentional interruption of wireless service by government agencies for the purpose of ensuring public safety.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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General Docket Number 12-52 caries a commentary cutoff date of April 30th and a reply comment date of May 30th. The entire text is on line in Adobe PDF format at tinyurl.com/turn-off-cellphones.

(FCC)

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REGULATION: CLERICAL ERROR LEADS FCC REQUESTS MODIFICATION OF HAWAII HAMS LICENSE

In one of those awkward "oops someone goofed moments," the FCC has been forced to issue an order that proposes modifying the license of Todd Wilson, WH6DWF, of Honolulu, Hawaii, from General to Technician.

No, Wilson did nothing wrong. In fact he appears to simply be the innocent victim of a clerical error by the administering Volunteer Examiner. It happened this way:

Back in November of 2011, the ARRL V-E-C sent an electronic data file to the FCC, requesting that the agency issue a Wilson a General class license which it did. A few weeks later in January 2012, the ARRL V-E-C notified the FCC that Wilson's information was incorrect and he did not qualify for a General class license. The ARRL V-E-C also requested that the FCC to modify Wilson's license to show him as a Technician class license holder.

On March 15, the FCC issued an Order of Proposed Modification, seeking to change Wilson's license class from General to Technician. In its order the FCC said that granting General class amateur radio privileges to Wilson had been improper. That the grant of General class operator privileges to Wilson was erroneous because he was not eligible to receive examination credit for one of the elements an applicant must pass in order to be granted a General class operator license. Rather, he appears to be currently authorized to operate with General class operator privileges due to an error made during the application

process.

But it may not be over yet. Under the law, Wilson has until April 14th to appeal the modification order by submitting a written statement containing sufficient evidence to show that the modification would not be in the public interest. If he fails to do so, the license modification back to Technician class will come into effect. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: A SECOND $25000 FINE ISSUED TO AN UNLICENSED CALIFORNIA BROADCASTER

In what may well be a time record between FCC actions, the Commission has reaffirmed a second $25,000 fine against California resident Gabriel Garcia. This time for not allowing a commission inspection of various unlicensed radio stations in the San Jose area.

As reported last week, in May 2011, the Enforcement Bureau's San Francisco office originally issued a $25,000 penalty because it said Garcia was operating illegal stations on three frequencies in the San Jose area and apparently interfering with the Aviation Radio Services band. The commission said that Garcia did not respond to the notice, so the fine has now progressed into a Notice of Forfeiture.

Now the FCC has affirmed the second $25,000 forfeiture based on Garcia's refusal to give its inspectors access to the properties from which the stations were allegedly operating. This, to permit physical inspection of the equipment being used.

If Garcia fails to pay the two fines in the allotted 30 days each, the matters will likely be turned over to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC INVESTIGATING 450 - 470 MHZ INTERFERENCE IN PA

The FCC has issued a Notice of Unauthorized Operation and of Interference to Licensed Radio Stations to a pair of Lurgan, Pennsylvania residents. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the details:

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In a letter to the unnamed parties, the North-East Region Enforcement Bureau in Philadelphia stated that it had received a complaint from a licensed telecommunications provider of interference in the 450 to 470 MHz band. Also, that they had traced the interference to a radio transmitting device operating in Lurgan, Pennsylvania.

On February 17th agents confirmed by direction finding that the source of the interference was emanating from a residence in Lurgan. During an equipment inspection, agents confirmed that the device causing the

interference was designed to jam radio transmissions.

In its letter to the Lurgan residents, the FCC notified them that unauthorized operation of a radio transmitting device designed to jam radio communications must cease immediately. It warned them that the continued operation of such a device may result in seizure of the offending equipment and/or a court order prohibiting them from operating such devices. Also that this type of unauthorized operation could subject them to substantial monetary forfeitures and criminal sanctions including imprisonment.

The two people involved in this matter were given 10 days from receipt of the notice to provide information regarding the entity from whom they purchased the device, including copies of any receipts or invoices. They were also given the opportunity to respond with any other information that they believe relevant to the notice.

Fr the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Hpwell, KB3TZD, not far away in Berwyck, Pennsylvania.

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The two Lurgan residents were also advised that the Notice of Unauthorized Operation they received or their response to it would not preclude the FCC from pursuing additional sanctions based upon its investigation of this incident. (FCC Northeast Enforcement Bureau)

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RADIO READING WINTER 2012 TAPR PSR JOURNAL NOW ON LINE

The Winter issue of the free Tucson Amateur Packet Radio P-S-R Journal is now available to download. This quarterly publication is full of technical, non-technical and user digital information and articles. You can download the free winter 2012 PSR from tapr.org/psr/psr117.pdf. Previous issues are also available free from the Tucson Amateur Packet Radio website at tapr.org/psr.html. (TAPR)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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WORLDBEAT: CHELMSFORD NAMED UK BIRTHPLACE OF RADIO

The United Kingdom now has a city named as the birthplace of radio. At least in that nation. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, is here with the details:

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Chelmsford, acknowledged as the birthplace of radio and home to the Marconi Company for many years, is one of three new cities created to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

This year also marks the 100th anniversary of the establishment by Marconi of the first purpose built radio factory in New Street, Chelmsford in 1912. New Street is marked with a blue plaque noting the historic significance.

And this comes to you from G4NJH in Nottingham.

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As an asaide, for those who never heard the term the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, this will be an extended weekend from June 2nd to the 5th to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth the 2nd. The Queen came to the throne on February 6, 1952 and her coronation took place on June 2nd 1953. (RSGB)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAMSAT VO-52 RECOVERY SUCCESSFUL

Some good news about the HAMSAT VO-52 ham radio satellite. A report received from the ISRO Satellite Centre in Bangalore, India on March 14 says HAMSAT is back on the air and operating properly.

According to VU2WMY commands to reactivate Dutch-built PE1RAH orbital transponder on HAMSAT were sent during an ascending pass over India. The commands were acknowledged and confirmed by return telemetry. At the same time the beacon signal was heard loud and strong in Bangalore.

Stations in Europe and North America reported good signals from VO-52 immediately after the transponder was activated. Two-way contacts were soon completed through the HAMSAT VO-52 transponder. (VU2WMY)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW HAM-SAT GROUP FORMED IN CUBA

Hector Martinez, CO6CBF reports that the Cuban Amateur Radio Federation has created its first official Satellite Group. CO6CBF says that he along with CM2ESP and CO7WT worked to form the group and made the formal recognition request to the Federation headquarters that was approved on March 3rd.

The official name of the organization is the Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales. Its principal mission is to promote amateur radio by satellites in Cuba and motivate Cuban hams to operate on the satellites. Its first meeting is being planned for Havana in the not to distant future.

(CO6CBF)

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ON THE AIR: UK MUSEUM STATION TO COMMEMORATE SINKING OF THE TITANIC

Special event station GB100MGY will be on air from April 6th to the 26th. This to mark the 100th anniversary of sinking of the Titanic in 1912.

This operation will take place from the Fort Perch Rock Marine Radio Museum at New Brighton in the UK. In addition to the regular HF bands the planners of GB100MGY have received special permission from UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom to use the callsign on 502 kHz. If you do not have gear to transmit on 502 kHz, crossband QSO's will be available to 3.566 or 7.066 Mhz from April 12th to the 18th as propagation permits.

For more information on this special event operation, please take your web browser to www.fortperchrockmarineradiomuseum.co.uk. (Via e-mail)

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RADIOSPORTS: WORLD-WIDE IRON HAM CONTEST RESCHEDULED TO DECEMBER

The World-Wide Iron Ham Contest, which was originally planned to take place in June, has now been re-scheduled. In order to avoid having two South American contests in the same day the Araucaria Dx Group decided to move the Iron Ham competition to the last full weekend in December. As a result, the World-Wide Iron Ham Contest will begin on Saturday December 29th at 12:00 UTC and end on Sunday December 30th at 11:59 UTC. More on this event in both English and Portugese is on line at www.araucariadx.com/ih. (PY5EG)

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DX

In DX, The Buddies in the Caribbean mini-DXpedition group will be operational from Montserrat between April 8th to the 16th, with a new group of operators who have never experienced the other side of a pileup. Because of severe baggage limits on the flight from Antigua to Montserrat they will be limited to low power radios and Buddipole portable antenna systems. There will be several villa stations in operation on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only, field portable either from Montserrat beaches or scenic mountain tops. QSL via Logbook of the World, eQSL, or mail to the operator's home callsign.

DL7BC will be active from slas FH from Mayotte Island March 20th to 6th. Please QSL as directed on the air.

WA2YUN is currently operational portable KH9 from Wake Island and will be active another year or more. Activity is on the Nigh Frequency bands including 160 and 80 meters. He has also been active on 6 meters. QSL via K2PF.

F4DTO and F4GFE will be active from Albania as ZA100I between April 22nd to the 29th. Operations will be on 40 through 10 meters on SSB only. QSL via F4DTO, direct or by the bureau.

Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society and the 9M4SDX Team will be active as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Layang Island, East Malaysia, between April 10th and the 24th. The team will have 4 stations using Spider Beam antennas. QSL direct to the 9M0L Team Penang, PO BOX 125, GPO 10710, Penang Island, Malaysia or by the bureau to Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter's Society.

Lastly, W7GJ and ZL1RS will once again team up to do a 6 and 2 meter EME DXpedition to Niue between September 9th and the 21st, W7GJ will use the callsign ZK2GJ, while ZL1RS will probably use his old callsign of ZK2RS. QSL ZK2GJ via W7GJ and ZK2RS via ZL1RS direct only.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CREATING THE HAM RADIO TRIATHLON CONTEST

And finally this week, a new radiosporting event will begin in 2013. And it has its roots in sports history. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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It all started back in August of 2011. That was about when it occurred to Mike Balaskas, SV5BYR of Dodcanese, Greece, that a big Greek sponsored radiosport event was missing from international ham radio contest calendar. By the end of that September Balaskas' idea had matured and so the Ham Radio Triathlon Contest was born.

For those of you who do not follow the world of sports, a triathlon involves completion of three continuous and sequential endurance events. And as you have already guessed, it is a Greek word.

But unlike the world of athletics, those planning the Ham Radio Triathlon DX Contest had to change things a bit to make this activity become reality. In trying to simulate the original Triathlon athletic event, planners chose three major ham radio modes for the competition. For the initial outing these will be SSB, CW and RTTY.

The Ham Radio Triathlon will be a 24 hour non-stop event that will take place the fist full weekend of February. It will debut next year on Saturday, February 2nd of 2013. And from what we have read of the proposed rules winning this one won't be easy but it sure looks like a lot of fun.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Norm Seeley, KI7UP, on this side of the Atlantic and the Western part of the United States reporting from Scottsdale, Arizona.

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SV5BYR says that there is still a lot of work to be done and more details to be announced. We suggest that you keep an eye on triathlon-dx-contest.blogspot.com in the coming months to learn more. (SV5BYR)

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A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm David Black, KB4KCH, at the Southeast Bureau in Birmingham Alabama saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING MARCH 25 2012.

ACMA makes new Commercial Radio Standards

wHO PLAYS HAM RADIO

It's to the Holyland Contest

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAR 25 2012.

ACMA makes new Commercial Radio Standards

The ACMA has made new Commercial Radio Standards that strengthen the rules
on advertising and the disclosure of commercial influence on commercial
radio programs.

'The new standards begin 1 May and reflect the ACMA's recent decision to
continue regulating both commercial influence in current affairs programs
and advertising on commercial radio,' said ACMA Chairman, Chris Chapman.

The standards were developed following the ACMA's review and extensive
consultation with industry and the public seeking comment on the proposed
reforms.

'This reform package strengthens protections for listeners while at the same time reducing the regulatory burden on industry,' Mr Chapman said.

(Emma Rossi, Media Manager, ACMA)

It's to the Holyland Contest

21st time in a row, yes its the annual Holyland Contest.

Each year, more radio amateurs from all continents and countries world wide, participate in this extraordinary contest. Each one hopes to add some new squares to his existing collection in order to obtain the most exquisite Award. Therefore, it is with the greatest pleasure that, we announce the Holyland Contest 2012, and invite all Radio Amateurs and Short Wave Listeners to participate.

This year's contest will start on Friday 20 and end on Saturday 21 April 2012 from 21.00 UTC until 21.00 UTC.

Special Trophies and New certificates will be issued to participating Radio Amateurs and SWL's for different classes and modes of operation. Mark 4ZOX contest manager says " We are happy to announce that last years, digital modes were a huge success as well, and will continue with this mode in the present contest. As usual, we invite, the entire Amateur Radio Community to be on the bands, knowing full well, that propagation at times is not in our favor, nevertheless we will demonstrate and exercise, the spirit of friendship between all Radio Amateurs.

Thanking you for your cooperation, see you in the "contest".

Speaking of contests... The Trans Tasman.

Don't believe all you read on our front page news this week.

NO the date was NOT incorrect, BUT it had has changed.

SO YES it has been wrong of late on this news and even AR Magazine had a different date again.

BUT thae date we had been broadcasting had been supplied prior to a new contest manager taking over from Bruce Renn.

Felix will have more on this, plus the NEW date and much changed rules later.

wHO PLAYS HAM RADIO

tHE DXCC Country/Entity Report ISSUED THIS WEEK shows that acccording to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network, for the week of Sunday, 11 through Sunday, 18 March there were 226 countries active!

Not a bad roll up!!!

Were you on RF?

IF NOT WHY NOT!

What use is an F-call?

Recently I had the opportunity to setup my radio in the bush. Having been around the metropolitan area for most of my Amateur Life to-date, that was a whole new, and I might say, very positive experience.
Laying out radials
across the landscape was a challenge and having set-up against the corner of the veranda of the house where I was staying meant that I could only put them out in 270 degrees, the owner frowning on the notion of running 12 meter radials through the house for some reason.

The silence was amazing, no man-made noise, no clicking or buzzing from nearby appliances, overall worth the effort!

Honesty requires me to point out
that the local atmospherics conspired to actually making contacts on 80 and 40 meters nigh-on impossible. At the time I was unable to determine what caused the problem and research since then indicated all manner of possible causes, ranging from background cosmic noise to the LCD TV in the next room with several other options in between. Armed with that knowledge I'll spend some effort hunting next time around.

I can recommend that you pick up your radio once in a while, put it in your preferred mode of transport and place yourself in another location to experience other conditions. It's a learning opportunity every time.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Birthplace of radio becomes a city

Chelmsford, acknowledged as the birthplace of radio and home to the Marconi Company for many years, is one of three new cities created to mark our Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

This year also marks the 100th anniversary of the establishment by Marconi of the first purpose built radio factory in New Street, Chelmsford in 1912. New Street is marked with a blue plaque noting the historic significance.

AMSAT-NA RECEIVES OKJ TO RE-DISTRIBUTE KEPS

AMSAT's Ray Hoad, WA5QGD has announced that the organizations request to re-distribute US Air Force Space Command Keplerian elements from SpaceTrack has been approved for the period April 1, 2012 to April 1, 2013.

EXTRA-GALACTIC MILESTONE FOR SOUTH AFRICA'S KAT-7 TELESCOPE

South Africa's KAT-7 telescope, a seven-dish array which is a precursor to the much larger MeerKAT telescope in the Karoo and to the Square Kilometre Array, has reached another major milestone by observing the radio emission from the neutral hydrogen gas (HI) in a nearby galaxy. Hydrogen gas emits radio emission in a spectral line at a very specific frequency of 1420 MHz.

The astronomers pointed the telescope towards a galaxy called NGC 3 109 - a small spiral galaxy, about 4,3 million light-years away from Earth, located in the constellation of Hydra. The observation allowed them to see the HI radio emission of this galaxy, as well as to see how this galaxy is moving. Where the gas is moving towards us, the frequency of the spectral line is Doppler-shifted upwards; where the gas is moving away, the frequency is shifted down. In this way, astronomers can map the way in which all of the gas in the galaxy is moving.

International effort at sea gets UT1FG/MM back on satellites

John, K8YSE shared an international amateur radio goodwill success story in getting Captain Yuri Bodrov, UT1FG/MM back on the air after a power supply failure at sea.

UT1FG/MM was enroute aboard his cargo ship from a Pacific port in Nicaragua bound for Montreal Canada via the Panama Canal and into the Gulf of Mexico. Yuri, an avid 6 meter and satellite operator, reported that his 12 volt power supply had failed shortly after leaving port.

John wrote, "The bad news was relayed amongst those of us who had been following Yuri and working him in wet grids as he traveled. Brainstorming started with ideas tossed around via emails. One idea was to buy a power supply and ship it Fedex to Yuri's agent in Panama and hope it got there in time but Yuri felt that there would not be enough time for that to happen. We only had a few days."

Searching with Google and QRZ achieved contact with Captain Manolis Joannou, HP1CQ, also a sea captain and president of the Panama Canal Amateur Radio Association. Manolis was able to find a power supply that could operate off the 220 VAC ship mains and provide 12 volts to Yuri's IC-706 radio.

Captain Manolis made his way via a motor launch to Yuri's ship and hand delivered the new power supply. The two Captains spent an hour together before parting. Yuri was back on the air, working satellites from the Gulf of Mexico.

For a full story, complete with photos visit:
http://www.papays.com/sat/power/ut1fgpanama.html

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAM RADIO AND SOCIAL NETWORKS RESPOND TO MEXICO EARTHQUAKE

Amateur radio operators and the social media have responded in the wake of an earthquake that hit Southwest Mexico on March 20th. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with what we know so far:

What has been described as a powerful and prolonged earthquake rocked parts of Mexico on Tuesday, March 20th. The 7.6 magnitude temblor near the Pacific Coast resort town

of Acapulco. According to news reports, some homes were toppled near the quakes epicenter. Electricity and telephone communications was lost for a time. But despite the quake's power, Mexico's President Felipe Calderon and officials across the country said that there were no reports of serious injuries.

While there was some damage to the nation's internal communications infrastructure, Mexico's connection with the outside world for the most part remained unscathed. So far nothing has been heard about activation of any domestic Mexican ham radio emergency group. As we go to air, Sunday 25, the only international ham radio operation we have heard about is a group called the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition. IRESC President, Urcun Canel, TA0U, in Istanbul, Turkey worked with about 8 or 9 hams in Mexico passing early damage assessment reports to the European continent. Some of this communications audio was posted to Facebook:

Actuality audio communications. Hear it by downloading the MP3 audio file of this newscast at www.wia.org.au

You can hear the entire communications session at tinyurl.com/iresc-mexico-quake. But the real story in this case is the response by the people in the affected areas.

While telephone and cellphone service was jammed as is the case after events like this, broadband connections were still open and quite useful. Anyone watching or listening to broadcast news reports often heard tweets from residents of the quake hit area being quoted as news sources and giving short eye-witness assessments via Twitter.

Also, broadcast news organizations world-wide were asking people with relatives in the quake zone to call in or post to the stations website the latest news they might have. In other words, news organizations were literally handling health and welfare traffic that until a year or two ago was primarily the domain of radio amateurs involved in emergency communications.

Quite a change from day's gone bye.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

BAD BATTERIES MAY HAVE CAUSED BLT-28 FAILURE

Failure of the batteries that powered the ham radio payload of a high altitude balloon that was designed to float from Texas to China seems the likely cause of a total communications failure with the near space project. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, K-B-3-T-Zed-D,

is here with the rest of the story:

The South Texas Balloon Launch Team lofted the high altitude scientific balloon experiment known as BLT-28 on February 11th from near Katy, Texas. The balloon was supposed to rise to over 100,000 feet and float for several days and hopefully reach its target of Nanjing, China. But as reported here on Newsline, contact was lost with the balloons APRS tracker just south of the Louisiana coast at an altitude of 45,763 feet.

Andrew MacAllister, W5ACM, is part of the group that launched BLT-28.

W5ACM notes that the power supply was made up of commercial 1.5 volt lithium cells. According to post flight experiments, MacAllister says that several of the same type of batteries were put directly on some dry ice where they went from 1.5 volts down to two tenths of a volt. And when warmed up, they did not return to normal output.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, Im Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD,near Pittsburg, PA.

BILL BEFORE CONGRESS TO LET ASTRONAUTS KEEP SPACE SOUVENIRS

A dispute between NASA and some former astronauts over ownership of space artifacts has led to a bill in Congress that would give the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo astronauts "full ownership rights." This, to items such as checklists and personal logs from their missions. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has the rest of the story:

Known as H.R. 4158 the proposed legislation grows out of an effort last year by Apollo 13 Commander Jim Lovell to sell the lunar module activation checklist that had been used to convert the moon lander into a space lifeboat on the periled 1970 Apollo 13 mission. The sale brought record-setting $388,375 but it was put on hold after the National Aeronautics and Space Administration demanded proof that the former astronaut owned the item.

Now comes H.R. 4158 that was introduced by Representative Ralph Hall of Texas. Hall is the chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee. He measures co-sponsor was Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson, also of Texas. It has since amassed an additional fifteen co-sponsors.

In a letter to heir congressional colleagues the two key sponsors wrote that the legislation would allow the first generation of astronauts to retain spaceflight artifacts that have been in their possession. In many cases for more than 40 years.

Under the proposed measure, astronauts from the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo programs would be allowed to keep items such as personal logs and checklists. The only thing off limits would be rock samples gathered on those early lunar missions. The so-called “Moon Rocks.”

After meeting with Lovell and several other former astronauts last month, NASA Administrator Charles Bolden said that these are American heroes. He called them fellow astronauts and personal friends who have acted in good faith. As such, Bolden says that they are committed to working together to find the right policy and legal paths forward to address outstanding ownership questions.

H.R. 4158 has bi-partisan support and is expected to make it all the way through the Congressional rule making process.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in New Orleans.

This was not the first time that NASA has challenged the sale by an astronaut of a piece of space memorabilia. In 2010, NASA challenged Apollo 14 astronaut Edgar Mitchell's attempt to sell a camera he took to the moon. Mitchell eventually agreed to donate the camera to the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

The VK-trans/Tasman contest will run this year as two contest:

The 80m Phone contest on 12 May, and

The 80m and 160m Combined contest on 21 July.

The Combined contest includes categories for:

- 160m phone,
- 80m CW,
- CW on both bands,
- Digital modes on both bands, and
- various combinations of these, including
- an overall category for both bands and all modes except 80m phone.

Rules can be found on the VK/Trans-Tasman contest page on WIA.ORG.AU
This is now the primary website for both of the 2012 contests.

The ever popular 80m phone contest remains much the same, with the
most significant changes being a simplification of the group bonus
rule, where groups can now be made from any SIX call areas of VK and
ZL combined. See the rules for details.

Combining 160m phone and the two CW and digital contests on the one
night should provide plenty of activity for all interests, and allow
clubs to set up multi-multi stations for that big effort!

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

HERE WE GO AGAIN - OR NOT

PLANNED MALI DXPEDITION ON HOLD DUE TO POLITICAL UNREST

Some news in the world of DX. This with word that
YET ANOTHER planned DX operation being put on indefinite hold.

Two weeks ago members of the "Italian Dxpedition
Team" announced that they were planning to be
active as TZ5T from Mali between April 12th to
the 27th. However, their Pilot station Art
Lorenzo, IK7JWY, has now issued a statement that
the situation of civil war in Mali between the
government and Tuareg insurgents is
worsening. Because of this and other concerns
Mali authorities will not issue licenses to radio
amateurs who may be targeted because of radio equipment.

For this reason the DXpedition has been postponed
until a yet to be determined later date. For
updates please check in regularly at www (dot)
i2ysb (dot) com on the World-Wide-Web.

(SOURCED IN PART TO ARNEWSLINE)

The current XW1A and XW◆ZJZ operations from Laos have been approved for DXCC credit. Bill Moore, NC1L, who heads up the DXCC Desk at ARRL headquarters made the approval official on Tuesday, March 13th.

Down the road a bit comes word that DK9FN will once again return to Temotu
Province, active as H40FN between this December 22nd and January 7th of 2013.
QSL H40FN via HA8DD.

F4CYZ iS operational from Morocco as CN2YZ through years end. His activity will be from the city of Tangier especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site with a log-check.
Its in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

San Francisco Amateur Radio Club will be holding a Special Event Station - W6G - to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge on May 26, 2012 at 2000z to May 27, 2012 at 2200z
Details on www.sfarc.org.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

BUOYS ON 10 METERS

The source of some mysterious weak signals on 29.684 MHz with an 81.9 Baud and 130 Hz shift have been located. According to the February IARU Region One newsletter, the signals came from the Spanish coastal area and were audible across all of Europe but only during band openings and only by directional antennas.

It turns out the source of transmissions by Datawell buoys. These buoys, produced in the Netherlands are used for measuring water temperatures and wave heights. They are designed to transmit with 75 milliwatts on frequencies between 27 and 40 MHz.

Dick Van Empelen, PA2GRU, of Heemstede in the Netherlands has since visited the Datawell Company and has informed them that the buoy transmissions on the amateur service 10 meter band are illegal. The operations chief promised to inform all Datawell offices about the situation.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

GREECE TURNS OFF 11 MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMITTERS

The Administrative Board of the Greek Public Broadcaster has ordered the switch-off of eleven medium wave transmitters. This as a result of new austerity measures due to the financial situation being faced by that European nation. This leaves only nine medium wave transmitters with their respective Greek Public Radio programs in operation.

(GreekRadio.com)

DON'T BE FOOLED: CHECK OUT THE APRIL ISSUE OF QST

This April issue of QST remembers the wireless heroes of the RMS Titanic and the SS Carpathia 100 years ago, and also takes readers on a voyage to the South Orkney Islands for the VP8ORK DXpedition -- and more. So set aside a couple of hours, grab a beverage and get ready to have some radio fun with the April issue of QST.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

K9EID UK AUDIO TALK POSTED TO YOUTUBE

A talk about improving audio on the ham radio bands given by Bob Heil, K9EID, has been posted on-line by M3XYP. Recorded at the United Kingdom 2011 National Hamfest, the video is in five parts and can be found at www.youtube.com/user/m3xypsar/videos

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

CELEBRATING MORSE CODE

New York's QSY Society Amateur Radio Club will be hosting a special event station at the Samuel F. B. Morse Estate at Locust Grove in the city of Poughkeepsie. This in celebration of his creation of the Morse Code in 1832. The operation will run from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Saturday April 14th using the special event callsign K2QS. Transmissions will be centered on 7.034 on 40 meters and 14.034 MHz on 20. Hams making contact with K2QS will be eligible for a special commutative QSL card. QSL requests go to David Ruth at 48 Hoof Print Road, Millbrook, New York, 12545.

(KB2VJP VIA ARNEWSLINE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- Internet Linking of Repeaters

IRLP TOPIC CHANNELS INAUGURATED

The long-awaited Internet Radio Linking Project or IRLP Topic Channels have now gone live. IRLP-users are now able to log onto reflector channels allocated for interests ranging from DX'ing to music, media, history and many others.

For those not aware, the Internet Radio Linking Project was the result of research and development by Dave Cameron, VE7LTD, back in 1998. This as a way of using the Internet to interconnect repeaters world-wide. With the advent of IRLP Topic Channels the concept has developed into a global discussion real-time forum on almost any topic of interest to those signed on.

For up-to-date information on the IRLP Topic Channels please visit www.irlptopics.net To locate an IRLP node near you go to status.irlp.net on the world-wide-web.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

ILLW registrations ahead of time

The entries to this year?s International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August are slightly ahead of expectation, although only 160 have registered and half the countries are so so far represented.

Australia remains in the lead with 35 registrations just ahead of Germany on 33, followed by the USA on 21 and England 14.

Others come from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Curacao, Denmark, Finland, France, Honduras, Ireland, Isle of Man, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Polland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Scotland, South Africa, Sweden and Wales.

The next months are expected to see a lot more seafearing nations added to this fun event.

To enter do visit the website at illw.net for the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend held on August the 18th and 19th.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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The Project Blue Horizon 6 high-altitude transatlantic balloon flight is
scheduled for Friday, March 23 at 2300 EST (0300 Saturday UT) from Owego,
NY transmitting on 7.1023 and 10.1466 MHz CW and 144.390 MHz FM APRS

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Ham Nation visit to Last Man Standing

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The Ham Nation show visited the studios where the 'Last Man Standing' TV
comedy featuring amateur radio is made

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Intermediate follows Lymington Foundation success

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Following the 100% success rate of their recent Foundation course, the
Lymington Community Centre Radio Club (M0LCC) will be starting an
Intermediate course on Wednesday, April 18

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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ILLW registrations ahead of time

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The entries to this year's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August are slightly ahead of expectation, although only 160 have registered and half the countries are so so far represented

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TV News 7 year-old earns Amateur Radio license

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DuQG79l-eLE/7_year_old_earns_amateur_radio_license.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This News Channel 4 video from 1996 shows Rebecca Rich KB0VVT who got her amateur radio license at the age of 7

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Ham Nation really 'on the air'

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The Twit.tv run Ham Nation video podcast often start their show with 'Ham Nation is on the air'. Well, on the Central Coast of New South Wales, Australia for the last few months, it has indeed be 'flowing through the ether' rather than just down Internet/Ethernet cables

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Technology and Storm Spotter Training

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TV channel 6 News reports on the use of ham radio by SKYWARN® storm spotters

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 17th-March, through Friday, 23rd-March there were 229 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S0, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2O, ENGLAND & WALES (Special Event 2012 London Olympic & Paralympic Games). Look for the following special event callsigns to be activated to celebrate the 2012 London Olympic and Paralympic Games:
2O12L - Members of Cray Valley Radio Society (CVRS) will activate the London, England, station through the duration of the Games, and will be located at the historic Eltham Palace, southeast London. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using all modes. More information is available on the Web at: http://www.2O12L.com
QSL via G4WNF. Contact the Press Officer, John Warburton, G4IRN at: press@2o12l.com

2O12W - Members of Barry Amateur Radio Society (BARS) will activate the Welsh station from Whitmore Bay, Barry Island, Vale of Glamorgan, Wales, and will also be active on all bands (160m-23cms) and on all modes, including SSTV and satellite. More information is available on Web at: http://www.2O12W.com
Contact station manager Glyn Jones, GW0ANA, at: glyndxis@talktalk.net

For updates, both operations will have Twitter and Facebook pages. See above Web pages for information. A special QSL will be available. John, G4IRN, Publicity Officer for Project Echo, states [edited], "Amateur radio operators everywhere will be able to share in the Olympic experience by making contact with the stations and to exchange greetings messages with visitors and Games participants who visit the station --- the team's aim is to make a contact with as many of the Games participating countries as possible..... The project aims to leave a lasting legacy by encouraging visitors to learn more about radio communications and the social, career and recreational benefits that it brings. Of course, visiting hams will be made very welcome at the stations."

3V, TUNISIA. Operators Hrane/YT1AD, Milos/YT3M, Zlatko/Z30A and Ash/KF5EYY will be active as 3V8BB during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via YT1AD.

4J, AZERBAIJAN. Members of the "Safari DX Activators" club will once again be active as 4J0SFR and 4J5T from the Natural Reserve Shahdag (4JFF-019) [new one] between March 23-24th. Activity will be SSB using a Kenwood TS-450 and Windom antenna. QSL both callsigns via 4J5T.

5D, MOROCCO. Operators Stefano/IK2QEI and Matteo/IK2SGC will be active with the special callsign 5D5A from CN3A contest station during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via IV3ZXQ or LoTW.

6W, SENEGAL. Tony, F8ATS, will be active as F8ATS/6W from Le-Calao, La Somone, between March 30th and April 7th. Activity will be holiday style probably on all HF bands. QSL via the Bureau is preferred.

9M6, SPRATLY. Pekka, OH2YY, who was recently active as 9M6AAC from the Hillview Gardens club station in East Malaysia, will be active as 9M6/OH2YY from Pulau Layang Layang (Swallow Reefs - AS-051), Spratly Islands, between Friday morning March 23rd and Monday evening, March 26th. On Friday and

Monday, Pekka informs OPDX that he will be on 40-10 meters SSB, focusing 17 and 12 meters, and on Saturday & Sunday participating in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via his home callsign to: Pekka Ahlqvist, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa, Finland (or by the SRAL Bureau).

A2, BOTSWANA. Operators Frosty/K5LBU (A25CF), Keith/VE7MID (A25KW), Don/VE7DS (A25DS) and Joel/N5JR (A25JR) will continue to be active from the Lotsane Safari Lodge until March 27th. Remember the group plans to be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as A25HQ. They will have about 3 rigs and a log periodic plus wire antenna covering 160 meters and up. It was also mentioned that they would use an inverted L with amp and a beverage antenna. K5LBU will handle QSL cards for A25HQ and A25CF. QSL all others via their home callsigns direct.

CR3, MADEIRA ISLAND (AF-014). Members of the CT3 Madeira Contest Team will be active as CR3A during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via LoTW or CQ9K. Operators mentioned are: Joe/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Joe/CT3DZ, Luis/CT3EE, Duarte/CT3EN, Miguel/CT3IA, Tiago/CT3KU, Jose/CT3KY, Jose/CT3NT, Jose/CT1EEB, Tony/CT1FFU and Nuno/CT1FJO.

DAYTON HAMVENTION (Press Release - DX Dinner). [edited] "The SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) is pleased to announce that Don Greenbaum, N1DG, will be the speaker for the DX Dinner on Friday, May 18th, at the Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409. Don is well known to most DXers. He first became licensed as WN2DND at age 11 in 1962. In 1996 he changed his call to N1DG. He has been either a pilot, a QSL manager, or a team member on many DX trips. He was inducted into the CQ Magazine DX Hall of Fame in 2006, and is a founding member of the CW Operators Club. He is also the Treasurer and a Director of the Northern California DX Foundation. Don's work, which can involve camel racing as well as auto racing, takes him to many interesting places around the world. Along with his radio experiences, he should provide an interesting, humorous, entertaining presentation. There will be a cash bar starting at 5:30 P.M., with dinner served at 7:00 P.M. The program will also include the DXpedition of the Year award, the announcement of the CQ Hall of Fame inductee, and the presentation of many exciting door prizes. For ticket information, and a list of the door prizes, go to <http://www.swodxa.org>. Dinner ticket sales have been brisk. Seating arrangements will be finalized by April 15th, so ticket orders should be in soon to ensure seating requests can be honored. We look forward to an excellent dinner with great fellowship, and hope you join us. For more information and to order dinner tickets, visit <http://www.swodxa.org>.

DL1630, GERMANY (Special Event/Contest Op). Look for the special event station DL1630Y to be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) and between May 1st and July 31st. During the WPX contest, operator Johannes, DK8JB, will be active as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via the Bureau or eQSL. Activity is to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the DARC's OV Duisburg-Huckingen (DOK L16) radio club. For more details, see: http://www.darc.de/l16

E21, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. JA stations QSL via JR5XPG and all others via E21EIC. Visit Champ's Web page at: http://www.e21eic.net

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). By the time you read this, the E51M DXpedition team, which is going to North Cook Islands, should be active as E51EWP from Rarotonga, South Cook Islands, between now and March 26th, and again between April 11-14th. Activity will be on all bands, including 60m, using CW, SSB, but with an emphasis on RTTY because there is a high demand for RTTY. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or by the Bureau. Online QSL Requests Service (OQRS) for the Bureau and direct cards can be made after April 20th. For more details, see the E51M Web page at: http://www.manihiki2012.de

E51, NORTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). Operators (and members of the 3D20CR) Jan/DJ8NK, Uwe/DJ9HX, Werner/DJ9KH, Hawa/DK9KX, Hans/DL6JGN, Ron/PA3EWP and Leszek/SP3DOI will be active as E51M from Manihiki (OC-014) between March 28th and April 10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. All equipment, except the transceivers, are already on Manihiki. In all, they have eleven vertical antennas and a small 4 element beam for 6m. They plan to set up 5 stations using K3's with 500W amps. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or by the Bureau. Online QSL Requests Service (OQRS) for the Bureau and direct cards can be made after April 20th. The E51M Web page is available at: http://www.manihiki2012.de/index.html

EB8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Pekka/EA8AH, Juan/EA8CAC, Manuel/EA8ZS, Sal/EA5DY, Toivo/ES2RR, Olli/EA4BQ/OH0XX, Oscar/EA1DR, Jaakko/OH1MA, Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX and Carlo/IK1HJS will be active as EB8AH from Magic Mountain on Gran Canaria Island (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi/Multi entry. QSL via LoTW.

FM, MARTINIQUE. Gil, FM5FJ, will be active during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via KU9C.

FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON. Eric, KV1J, will once again be operating from the Island of Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002 WLOTA 1417, Grid GN17) as FP/KV1J between July 10-17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 (but primarily CW, SSB and RTTY). He will generally be on the highest frequency band that is open, and he may try 6 meters if there is an indications of openings. Also, look for him on the satel-lites, weather permitting. Eric will also be in the IARU HF Contest (July 14-15th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Mixed-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via KV1J, direct or by the Bureau and also LoTW. For more details and updates, check out his Web page at: http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July12.html

II9, ITALY (Operator Corrections). The II9K Contest Team will be active from Sicily (EU-025, IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107, WLOTA 1362) during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. They will be using a new antenna setup improvement for the contest. Operators mentioned are Giuseppe/IT9HBT, Girolamo/IT9GNG, Rino/IT9FXY, Vincenzo/

IT9ECQ, Mike/IF9ZWA, Sal/IW9FRA, Domenico/IW9GTD, Davide/IW9HII and
Dario/IT9RDZ. QSL via IT9HBT.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-175. (Update) Prasad, VU2PTT, informs OPDX on March 21st: "The
AT2DW team on Bet Shankhodhar Island has over 4000 QSOs and
should have their amp running by now. The amp could not be
used earlier due to school children camping close to the
vertical antennas who have now departed and the team did not
want to risk any accident. The amp will hopefully help them
to work the more distant areas especially NA. They will be
actively looking for more QSOs to NA and SA when openings are
noted to give this new one to IOTA chasers there. The team has
been active on all bands 80m through 10m and logs are being
uploaded to Club Log whenever a reliable Internet connection
is available. See <http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c�2DW> for
the searchable log, statistics and other log information." The
expedition Web site is at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/at2dw

EU-146. Marcel, PD5MVH, will be active as homecall/p from Goerree
Overflakkee Island (WLOTA 3501) between May 19th and June
2nd. Activity will be mainly on 14245 and 28555 kHZ, and
as well as 144.300 MHz. QSL via his home callsign, direct
or by the DARC Bureau.

SA-039. Members of the Radio Club Uruguayo and the Uruguay DX Group
will be doing a joint operation and be active as CW5GI from
Gorriti Island on March 30-31st and April 1st. This will be
only the 2nd operation from this island after the 1st one,
CW4R, a week ago. Operators mentioned are Jorge/CX1SI, Gustavo/
CX2AM, Wilson/CX2RU, Humberto/CX3AN, Francisco/CX3BV, Gustavo/
CX3CE, Luis/CX4AAJ, Mario/CX4CR, Ghis/CX5DNT (ON5NT), Jorge/
CX6VM, Carlos/CX7CO and Rainer/CX8FB. QSL via ON5NT.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 26th-April 1st)....
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Mar/27th AN Mar/30th AN Apr/01st HN
Mar/28th AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

MJ, JERSEY. Kazu, JK3GAD, will be active as MJ0CFW from Jersey (EA-013) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or via M0CFW.

NH7, HAWAII. Operators "Yukon John"/KL7JR and XYL Claire/WL7MY will once again be active from the Big Island (OC-019, HI-025S) between April 1-15th, and using the callsign NH7DX. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, and they are celebrating the 18th anniversary of the U.S. Islands awards program. QSL via KL7JR (QRZ.com address).

P4, ARUBA (SA-036). Andy, AE6Y, will once again be active as P49Y during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via AE6Y or LoTW.

PY, BRAZIL (Also CX). Ghis, ON5NT, informs OPDX that he is "enjoying the nice weather in Porto Alegre, South Brazil, for the moment", but will be flying to Montevideo, Uruguay, on March 27th, to join the DXpedition team to Gorriti Island (SA-039) for a three day operation (See IOTA NEWS above). Look for Ghis to possibly be active as PY3/CX5DNT from Porto Alegre until April 14th. QSL via ON5NT. ADDED NOTE: Prior to the IOTA operation, ON5NT will be active as CX5DNT between March 27-29th. QSL via ON5NT

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 23rd)

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4JS0NG via 4J5A EG7URU via EA7URU SV5AZK via SZ5RDS (B)
9M6/OH2YY via OH2YY FH/DL7BC via DL7BC TA7/4J9M via DL7EDH
9Y4SRR via KD4UDU FM/RC0F via RC0F UE85DRK via UA9XL
A25KW via VE7MID FW/F1GHY/P via F1GHY V5/DK6XZ via DK6XZ
A65EE via IZ8CLM HA100CGCDH via HA0MO V5/DL3DXX via DL3DXX
CK975LC via VE9MY IB1B via IW1QN V5/GI4DOH via GI4DOH
CN2R via W7EJ OL8M via OK1DRQ ZL/VO1AU via VO1MX
DU1/HB9BAJ via HB9BAJ PJ2/AC8AP via AC8AP ZP6VT via EA7FTR
EG0MOD via EA7URU PZ5P via UA4LU

(B) Bureau Only (L) LoTW
(d) direct Only

3C0E & 3C6A LOGS ARE NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE. To check your QSOs, go to:
3C0E log at: http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/log_3c0e.php
3C6A log at: http://www.gdgdxc.net/3c0e/log_3c6a.php

JX0O QSL STATUS (Update to OPDX.1045). Stan, SQ8X, reports that the QSL cards were expected to be delivered from his printing shop around Wed- nesday this past week. Once received, the QSL shipment will start. He states, "To compensate for the long time that operators have been waiting, I decided to redesign cards and to make it even more attractive. What kind of changes - let it be a small surprise."

PS0S ON LOTW. Cesar, PY2YP, announced this past week that he was able to obtain the 2000 PS0S, St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks, log from the operators and uploaded the log into the LoTW. He also stated, "I am

talking with a few other expeditioneers to the Rocks to have their logs and do the same. Stay tuned."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3B8MM, 7P8PB, CR6K, CU6AY, CX4ACH, E76C, EF8R, EI80IRTS, EU5A, G4SOF, HB9CVQ, HH2/HB9AMO, HI8PLE/7, J38A, JR7WFC, JT5DX, KH2L, LA5VSA, LY3M, M6T, PR5B, PT7ZC, RA6MQ, RU3GF, RZ6BS, ST2AR, SV4FFK, T96C, TG7/NC2N, TK4LS, US6EX, V44KAI, VP2EC, VP5/WA0MHJ, YU1FW, ZD7XF, ZF2AG/ZF8, ZF2LC and ZL7/VO1AU

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: A31IO, CN2R, FK8CP, FR5FD, HV50VR, JY4NE, PP5/KH0WF, T88XC, UA3KW, VP2MTL, VVP6T, P8DNT, VU2PAI, ZD7XF and ZV5AJT

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5T5BV, 8P9NX, CT1BYK, DB3KE, DL1JK, DO8SAB, DU7/DK9SC, EA1AUS, EA1BPA, EA8EU, EB3JT, ES0IC, IT9CWA, IW1GJH, IZ3LEF, JA0HNN, JA2ACI, JA2GSD, JA6ATL, JA8BNP, JE2TLZ, JF1PTX, JH3RKB, JH3TXF, JI3OGI, OM3BC, ON5PO, PA3GON/LX, PA3GWH, RK3DXW, SP1DMD, SP1MWK, SP3CUG, SP7FFY, SQ1EIX, UA6JGG, UR2MO, UR5IFP, UR5MED, UT5EAM, UU7JN, WT6X, YJ0MM, ZL4AS and ZP6CW

ST0R VIDEO. Now available on the International DX Association, Inc., (INDEXA) Web page is a 40 minute video on the ST0R DXpedition at: http://www.indexa.org/dx_videos.html

TC3, TURKEY. Operators Can/TA3GO, Hakan/TA3HM and Emin/TA2FE will be active as TC3C from Izmir during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th) as Multi-One entry. QSL via TA3HM.

TO7, MAYOTTE. Hartwig, DL7BC, has been active from Mayotte (AF-027) since March 21st. He was originally active as FH/DL7BC, but as of March 23rd, he began using the callsign TO7BC (through April 6th). Activity will be from Bruno's, DH1BL/FH4VOS, QTH. Operations will be on 80-10 meters plus participation in CQWW WPX SSB Contest. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, visit it his Web site at: http://www.qslnet.de/member/dl7bc/en_TO7BC.htm

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS (Update OPDX.1054). Jim, K4FW, informs OPDX that there has been another delay for his trip to Kwajalein Island (OC-028) due to the launch window being moved towards the end of April or end of May/early June. Jim works for the Orbital Sciences Corporation and works with the Pegasus launch vehicle. More specifically, as the Launch Panel Operator (LPO) and is part of the flight crew on the Orbital's L-1011.

ZQ3, GIBRALTAR. Operators/brothers Mike/ZB3M and Ed/ZB2ER will activate the special callsigns ZQ3M and ZQ2ER, respectively, from Gibraltar between May 5th and June 10th. Activity is to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II. QSL via ZB3M direct only. NO BUREAU or NO ELECTRONIC QSLs.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 24-25th, 2012)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2012 CQWW WPX SSB Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxs2012.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxsd2012.html (By entity)

Contest Callsign	DXCC Entity	Class	QSL Route
3V8BB	Tunisia	M/S	YT1AD
4L5O	Georgia	SOSB	N3SL
5D5A	Morocco	M/S	LoTW; QSL via IV3ZXQ
5Z4EE	Kenya	SOAB HP	NV7E
6V7Z	Senegal	M/S	RA9FW
7S0X	Sweden	M/2	LoTW
9A22P	Croatia	M/S	9A2NA
9A7A	Croatia	M/2	9A1HDE
9M6/OH2YY	Spratly Islands		OH2YY; QSL via Buro or direct
9M8Z	East Malaysia	SOAB HP	LoTW; QSL via M0URX, Buro/direct or OQRS
A25HQ	Botswana	M/?	K5LBU
A73A	Qatar	M/2	EA7FTR
CE1A	Chile	M/?	XQ1KZ
CE0Y/NL8F	Easter Island		K8NA
CQ3L	Madeira	M/2	DJ6QT
CR2X	Azores	SOAB HP	OH2BH
CR3A	Madeira	M/?	LoTW
D4A	Cape Verde Island		KU9C
DP6T	Germany	M/M	DP6T Buro
DR7X	Germany	M/S	DJ8GE Buro
EA3GTJ	Spain	M/M	EA3GTJ
EB8AH	Canary Islands	M/M	LoTW
ED1R	Spain	M/2	EA4RCH
ED9Z	Ceuta & Melilla	M/?	EA9LZ
EE1W	Spain	M/?	EA1AZ
ED3X	Spain	M/?	EA3JW
EE7L/EA1	Spain	SOAB HP	EA7HLU
EE8Z	Canary Islands	SOAB	N4AO
EF8C	Canary Islands	SOAB LP	EB7DX
E21EIC	Thailand	SOAB LP	E21EIC; JAs QSL via JR5XPG
FM5FJ	Martinique	SOSB 20M	KU9C
HI8LAM	Dominican Republic	SOAB LP	HI8LAM
HU0A	El Salvador	M/S	YS1GMV
IB1B	Italy	SOAB	IB1B direct
IF9A	Sicily	M/S	IT9ATF
IH9YMC	Italy (African)	SOSB	eQSL
II9K	Sicily	M/S	IT9HBT
II9P	Sicily	M/S	IT9CHU
IO5O	Italy	M/S	IK5RLP

IQ1RY Italy M/2 IW1FNW
IR1A Italy SO IK1GPG
IY4FGM Italy M/S IK4UPU
JT5DX Mongolia M/S JT1CO
KP2MM Virgin Islands SOAB LoTW
LN7H Norway M/? LA7H Buro
LP1H Argentina M/M EA5KB
LR3M Argentina M/2 LU1MA
LS1D Argentina M/? LoTW
LX7I Luxembourg SOAB LX2A
NH7A Hawaii SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via F5VHJ, Buro/direct
OJ0MC Market Reef OH6MC
OJ0VM Market Reef OH6VM
P3N Cyprus SOAB HP RW3RN
P40W Aruba SOAB LoTW; QSL via N2MM (w/SASE)
P41P Aruba W3HNK
P49Y Aruba SOAB LoTW; QSL via AE6Y
PJ2/DK5ON Curacao SO DK5ON
PJ4Z Bonaire M/2 LoTW; QSL via K4BAI
PU5BIA Brazil SOSB 10M PP5JR; 15 years old
PU5FJR Brazil SOSB 10M PP5JR
PZ5P Surinam SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via UA4LU
RM3F Russia (Europe) SOAB HP LotW
S79NEN Seychelles LoTW
SZ3P Greece M/S SV3DCX
T6MO Afghanistan SOSB 10M K9GY
TC3C Turkey M/S TA3HM
TO5K Martinique SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via RC0F
TO7BC Mayotte DL7BC; DARC Buro cards OK
UE85DRK Russia (Asia) M/? UA9XL
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis SOAB LoTW; QSL via W5JON
V55B Namibia M/? GI4FUM
V55V Namibia M/? check QRZ.com for QSL details
VC2G Canada M/S VE2BR; QSL via Buro or direct
VC3B Canada M/S VE3ATX
VK4KW Australia M/2 N3SL via Buro/direct; LoTW/eQSL
VP52V Turks & Caicos SOAB LP W5CW Direct
WP2Z Virgin Islands M/S KU9C
XR6T Chile M/2 CE3FED Buro
YB8Y Indonesia M/2 YB1GJS Direct; QSL via Buro
ZA1TC Albania see QRZ.com for QSL details

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subjectlp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subjectbscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subjectsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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391. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 23 March 2012

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Date: 2012-03-23 16:18:00 UTC
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SOTA EVENT: Activation of Pinnacle Mountain on Saturday 24 March

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 06:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339189-SOTA-EVENT-Activation-of-Pinnacle-Mountain-on-Saturday-24-March&goto=newpost

On march 24, 2012 the cabot stars club will be sponsoring the first

ever summits on the air activation of pinnacle mountain using the club

call, w5str. Operators in the central arkansas area, and in fact

worldwide will be able to hear the stars club sota team on the both

phone and digital modes. The following frequencies will be in use

plus or minus a few khz as necessary: 2m fm 146.520 monitored

continuously 2m ssb 144.200 15:00z-16:00z 18:00z-19:00z 10m 28.450 15m
21.325

17m 18.125 20m 14.325 40m 7.215 operations will take place on whichever

of these hf bands presents the best propagation. Following standard

convention, our 2m single side band operator will point our beam

north at the top of the hour, east at quarter after, south at half

past and so on. All amateur radio operators are encouraged to try

to make contact with the team by whichever band/mode they wish. You

can use these contacts to gain points toward a summits on the air

award certificate or trophy. Find out more about the sota awards

rules at www.sota.org.uk.

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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The payload will be carried beneath a 54,000 cubic foot capacity helium-filled balloon cruising between 85,000 and 100,000 feet.

During the flight amateurs worldwide are encouraged to monitor the N2XE CW telemetry beacons at 7.1023 and 10.1466 MHz. The balloon is also equipped with an APRS beacon at 144.39 MHz using the call sign KD2AUD.

Amateurs can send reports via e-mail to pbh18.data@gmail.com or manually enter received data points at http://www.projectbluehorizon.com/

More information about the program is at the Project Blue Horizon website. Launch and flight updates will also be available on Twitter @PBHVI

NOTE: If you or anyone else knows a Ham operator in the Azores who can communicate with the payload please send the contact information to pbh18.data@gmail.com Blue Horizon will require communications with the payload as it approaches the Azores.

Project Blue Horizon

http://www.projectbluehorizon.com/

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ILLW registrations ahead of time

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ILLW registrations ahead of time

The entries to this year's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August are slightly ahead of expectation, although only 160 have registered and half the countries are so so far represented.

Australia remains in the lead with 35 registrations just ahead of Germany on 33, followed by the USA on 21 and England 14.

Others come from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Curacao, Denmark, Finland, France, Honduras, Ireland, Isle of Man, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Scotland, South Africa, Sweden and Wales.

The next months ahead are expected to see a lot more sea-going nations added to this fun event.

To enter do visit the website at illw.net for the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend held on August the 18th and 19th.

Jim Linton VK3PC

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393. eHam.net News for Friday 23 March 2012

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Message-ID: <e89a8f234507b8bac704bbf0b1b4@google.com>
Source record: 3410
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Apex School Phones NASA, 250 Miles Up:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 05:27 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27968

APEX -- For about 30 minutes more than 600 young students sat cross-legged with their eyes glued forward at Salem Elementary School's gymnasium quietly listening. It wasn't a movie that completely captured their attention, but a black handset and a satellite image. On the other end of the handset was NASA Astronaut Don Pettit and he was calling from space. Pettit and two other astronauts are living on the International Space Station for a mission that ends in May. At the time of the call- made 10 a.m. Wednesday via amateur radio-Pettit and his fellow crewmembers were traveling about 250 miles above Earth over the Indian Ocean near Australia at 17,500 miles per hour. The students created and asked their own questions about everything from space hygiene to scientific experiments.

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Civic-Minded East Contra Costa Amateur Radio Club Operators Ham It Up:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27967

They don't play Words With Friends, but some have friends across the world. Their electronic accessories don't begin with "i." In the event of an actual emergency, you would be glad to have one for a neighbor. Ham radio operators have always been a subset of society, but with digital devices making everyone a communications guru of sorts, it's easy to forget this small segment of the population. Yet, for the civic-minded sort with a hankering to connect and serve, there's a local source for would-be radio folk. East County has an enclave of hams with a vivid social life. Delta Amateur Radio Club members meet in person at 7 p.m. the last Thursday of every month at the Pittsburg Environmental Center, 2581 Harbor St. They come together to swap stories and equipment and technical tips. Newcomers are welcome. "If you think you might like to become a ham, come to a meeting!" club president Mary-Jane Walker insisted. Or maybe take in a breakfast with members of the larger county club, club treasurer Drew Hanson said. The perception that amateur radio operators are shut-ins is untrue. Walker started hamming it up 30 years ago. Newly widowed, her daughter and son-in-law encouraged her to join them in their hobby. "I joined to meet people," Walker said. "I've made a lot of friends over the years."

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Technology And Storm Spotter Training:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27966

Severe weather awareness week is upon us. Wednesday morning the emergency sirens were tested in the metro. But as we share our lives and storm stories through social media sites more and more, it's important to have a trained eye. George Bellairs has been tweeting long before Twitter even existed. "Communication has always been a two-way street," said Bellairs. "I've been a ham radio operator going on 17 years. I've been a storm spotter the same amount of time. Each season, you'll find Bellairs close to his ham radio. "The longer you're there the higher your skill level," said Bellairs. As a trained weather spotter, he relays severe weather conditions across Douglas County. "It's like being a trained driver on the streets. You have to know what you're doing to be observant," said Bellairs It's that kind of training that brought dozens to a spotter training class Wednesday night. "This is a great opportunity to get new information as far as the new technologies," said participant Travis Turner. "Now we have all this new technology that anybody and everybody can use," said Turner. He says what started as information coming solely from trained spotters on ham radio is now spreading to social media sites like Facebook and Twitter.

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In High-Tech Age, Ham Radio Communication Has Advantages:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 05:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27965

He has to listen closely to hear through the static, but University of Pittsburgh student Geoff Wolf just barely can make out the strained beeps of Morse code emanating from somewhere in the south Asian country of Sri Lanka. Wolf of Harrisburg is a member of the Skyview Radio Society, an amateur ham radio group that draws members from throughout western Pennsylvania. Members meet at their station and clubhouse in New Kensington and broadcast both locally and throughout the world. "All you need is a radio, a wire and a power source," said Larry Kelley of Murrysville, one of about 80 society members. "People will get on and see how many folks throughout the world they can talk to." The society has been holding a series of classes this month for those interested in obtaining a first-level amateur radio license, classified as a technician license. Society radio officer Bob Bastone of East Deer said that while there are rocket scientists who are ham radio operators, "you don't have to be a rocket scientist to do it." In today's age of cellphones, the Internet and numerous other modes of communication, it might seem quaint to some that ham radio is still around. But ham operators have a distinct advantage over many forms of modern communication. Where cellphones, telephones, Internet-connected computers and even satellite phones must be routed through a variety of choke points and require electric power, ham radios can "go direct" and talk straight through to one another because each station is independent. That feature makes them indispensable from an

emergency-services standpoint.

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ARNewsline Report 1806 -- Nov 23 2012:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 05:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27961

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio and social networks respond following an earthquake in Mexico; an A-P-R-S equipped ocean buoy is released off the coast of Alaska; Missouri hams could be hit hard by a proposed distracted driving law; London Olympic ham radio stations are announced and the birds are back. Find out what we mean on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1806 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #12:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:54 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27958

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by CX3AL, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:53 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27957

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ARRL Announces New DXCC Fee Structure:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:52 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27956

The DX Century Club (DXCC) is the premier Amateur Radio operating award. Available to hams around the world, tens of thousands of awards have been issued since 1945 under the modern award program. In 2012, the DXCC program is not only still thriving, but it is growing, both in participation and in numbers of award options.

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2012 National Hurricane Conference to Feature Amateur Radio Activities:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:54 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27955

The National Hurricane Conference -- scheduled for March 26-29 in Orlando, Florida -- will feature several Amateur Radio activities. The National Hurricane Conference leadership continues to recognize the

valuable contributions of Amateur Radio and has invited several radio amateurs to participate in two sessions.

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Special Event Stations Planned for London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:52 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27954

Some special event call signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales.

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Executive Committee to Meet This Weekend in Missouri:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:53 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27953

The ARRL Executive Committee will meet Saturday, March 24 in St Louis, Missouri. Agenda items include a review of the ARRL policy on repeater coordination, a look at how the mandated study on Amateur Radio -- as outlined in Section 6414 in the just-passed payroll tax legislation -- will be implemented, the first periodic review of the National Broadband Plan Committee report, discussion of the proposed changes to the FCC's rules as set forth in report from the ARRL Electromagnetic Compatibility Committee and more.

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TAPR Opens 'Interest List' for Hermes SDR:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:51 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27952

Tucson Amateur Packet Radio (TAPR) announces the opening of the "interest list" for the openHPSDR Hermes single-board Software Defined Radio. The Hermes interest list is used by TAPR to determine the number of Hermes boards to manufacture in the pending initial production run this spring.

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New ARRL Membership Benefits Coming in June:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:51 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27951

The ARRL is excited to announce two new membership benefits that will be introduced in June 2012. In addition to the print copy of QST, all members will have access to an online digital edition of QST -- at no extra cost. You will be able to access QST from anywhere -- on nearly any computer, laptop, mobile device, smartphone and tablet (including Apple iPad, iPhone, iTouch and devices using the Android operating system). Members will also gain access to archived issues of QST from December 1915 to the present; previously, only issues through

2007 were available to members.

394. Radio amateur

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 06:14:31 UTC
From: PRABHU NATARAJAN <prabhunatarajann31@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b8f14eaf-6232-474d-ab80-ebbb2baa24ee@s9g2000pba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3411

http://123maza.com/46/gold962/

395. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 24 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 06:29:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340e173cd0e604bbf74450@google.com>
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Upstate Hamfest

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 07:09 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339199-Upstate-Hamfest&goto=newpost

Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Society Hamfest

Will be held at:

Piedmont Interstate Fairgrounds

575 Fairgrounds Road

Spartanburg, SC 29303

Lat 34.959746N Long -81.952155W

The fairground is a large, flat, easy access site with free parking right
outside the main gate and blacktop access roads throughout.

The complete site is handicapped accessible. Come and enjoy the fellowship
of the hams from around SC and surrounding states.

We will have many of your favorite vendors on site for this event.

Goto: upstatehamfest.com

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6th Annual TARC Tailgate Party

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 11:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339132-6th-Annual-TARC-Tailgate-Party&goto=newpost

6th Annual TARC Tailgate Party

14 April 2012 09:00 - 15:00 EDT

The Trident Amateur Radio Club (TARC), Charleston, SC is proud to announce
it's sixth annual Tailgate Party

This event is again being held at:

Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 19

1310 South Live Oak Drive

Moncks Corner, SC

This event provides only outdoor tailgating and is handicap accessible.

Talk-In Freq: 147.150 MHz + PL 91.5Hz

At-door admission fee: $2.00

Table fee: $5.00 - Space only - Bring Your Own Table

Contact Vaughn Duryea, KJ4ZFY for additional information.

vduryea@SCIRES.COM

396. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 24 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 11:14:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b6eaad91d04bbfb3d14@google.com>
Source record: 3413
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Dayton Hamvention - DX Dinner speaker announced

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7EX65xRjHxo/dx_dinner_speaker_announced
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SouthWest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) is pleased to announce that Don
Greenbaum, N1DG, will be the speaker for the DX Dinner on Friday, May 18th,
at the Dayton Marriott

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DX News from the ARRL

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu
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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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RSGB AGM next month in Bedford

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8jHJ5395MKk/rsgb_agm.htm?utm_source=fee
dburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB AGM will take place on 21 April at the Swan Hotel, Bedford

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Rn6c2m4214o/dxcc_report_2403.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Saturday,
17th-March, through Friday, 23rd-March there were 229 countries active.
Check the list..

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Propagation de K7RA

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5MkFAcC-f4I/march_24.htm?utm_source=fee

dburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity declined this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were off
by over 13 points to 75.1, and average daily solar flux dropped over 32
points to 102.1

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Optical marking soon for amateur radio exams

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OmQJezOqaaY/optical_marking_soon_for_am
ateur_radio_exams.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

New software will shortly be introduced to handle the administration of
amateur radio exams

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Christchurch ATV Station

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m?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Peter Robinson ZL3TJH runs an Amateur TV station in New Zealand's 615 MHz
(Channel 39) amateur radio band. This video tells how that allocation is
threatened by the sell-off of TV frequencies

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Aprs Igates needed in Scotland

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tAmEDAKf3MM/aprs_igates_needed_in_scotl
and.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are looking for radio hams and shortwave listeners to put on APRS Igates
in Scotland as there is a lack of coverage in certain areas ie: Perth,
Tayside, Kinross, the A9, Stirling, the Scottish borders area, the A1, A702
and M90

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YKv0jEnpaME/march_23.htm?utm_source=fee
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Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Answering contest CQs -- Etiquette?

Posted: 23 Mar 2012 06:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339325-Answering-contest-CQs-Etiquette&goto=newpost

Never mind, I just saw an earlier post with the same question.

I'm a new ham and I'm wondering about the etiquette applicable to answering
contest CQs. Even though I may not be participating in a contest, it's a
good opportunity for me to make dx contacts but I don't want to mess
someone up by not having my contact count for them. Do I need to register
and submit a log in order for them to get credit? Is this something that
is frowned upon by the contesters?

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helium-filled balloon cruising between 85,000 and 100,000 feet.

During the flight amateurs worldwide are encouraged to monitor the N2XE CW
telemetry beacons at 7.1023 and 10.1466 MHz. The balloon is also equipped
with an APRS beacon at 144.39 MHz using the call sign KD2AUD.

Amateurs can send reports via e-mail to pbh18.data@gmail.com or manually
enter received data points at http://www.projectbluehorizon.com/

More information about the program is at the Project Blue Horizon website.
Launch and flight updates will also be available on Twitter @PBHVI

NOTE: If you or anyone else knows a Ham operator in the Azores who can communicate with the payload please send the contact information to pbh18.data@gmail.com Blue Horizon will require communications with the payload as it approaches the Azores.

Project Blue Horizon

http://www.projectbluehorizon.com/

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ILLW registrations ahead of time

Posted: 23 Mar 2012 02:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339223-ILLW-registrations-ahead-of-time&goto=newpost

ILLW registrations ahead of time

The entries to this year's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August are slightly ahead of expectation, although only 160 have registered and half the countries are so so far represented.

Australia remains in the lead with 35 registrations just ahead of Germany on 33, followed by the USA on 21 and England 14.

Others come from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Curacao, Denmark, Finland, France, Honduras, Ireland, Isle of Man, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Scotland, South Africa, Sweden and Wales.

The next months ahead are expected to see a lot more sea-going nations added to this fun event.

To enter do visit the website at illw.net for the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend held on August the 18th and 19th.

Jim Linton VK3PC

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398. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 24 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 16:30:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396a0ab3b40d04bbffa63a@google.com>
Source record: 3415
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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SB61 in CT Needs your support.

Posted: 23 Mar 2012 05:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339232-SB61-in-CT-Needs-your-support&goto=newpost

http://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillsta...ll_num=SB00061

CT Hams - please contact your representatives and ask them to support this
bill. This is to restore a formal exemption for hams in CT from the
distracted driving statute in place. Thanks for your help.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1806 March 23 2012

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 07:00 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339197-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1806--March-23-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1806 ☐ March 23 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1806 with a release date of March
23rd, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio and social networks respond following an earthquake in Mexico; an A-P-R-S equipped ocean buoy is released off the coast of Alaska; Missouri hams could be hit hard by a proposed distracted driving law; London Olympic ham radio stations are announced and the birds are back. Find out what we mean on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1806 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AND SOCIAL NETWORKS RESPOND TO MEXICO EARTHQUAKE

Amateur radio operators and the social media have responded in the wake of
an earthquake that hit Southwest Mexico on March 20th. Bill Pasternak,
WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with what we know so far:

399. SARL News in English 24/3/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 18:34:41 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <CB5B85D592E5438CAAEC001E70870F38@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3416
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 25 MARCH 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

BOOK NOW FOR THE SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

LEARN ABOUT SOFTWARE DEFINED RADIO

YOUR LICENCE FEE IS DUE NOW

IMPORTANT LICENSE INFORMATION

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

BOOK NOW FOR THE SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

Have you booked for the 2012 SARL National Convention? If you have not, do it now. Here are some of the highlights. On Friday evening meet the locals and join an historical journey on "How SA's electronics industry started in Pinetown and the development of SSB in South Africa". On Saturday morning attend the SARL Annual General Meeting and on Saturday afternoon learn about how to build VHF/UHF antennas and get DXing with Log Book of the World. On Saturday evening is the awards dinner with a keynote address by Dr Andrew Collier of SANSA Space Sciences. On Sunday morning the convention is rounded off with a leisurely breakfast in the Japanese Gardens. Full details and a registration form can be found on www.sarl.org.za. Your hosts at the SARL National Convention are the committee and members of the Highway Amateur Radio Club.

SARL AGM DOCUMENTATION

The SARL AGM documentation is now available on www.sarl.org.za. The documents have also been mailed to members for whom the SARL does not have email addresses. Members with email addresses have received a mail and a link to the document. The SARL has received a fair number of undeliverable returns. If you did not receive an email about the AGM, please update the SARL records by sending your name, call sign, full postal address and email details to admin@sarl.org.za.

LEARN ABOUT SOFTWARE DEFINED RADIO

Learn about Software Defined Radio with the ABC of Soft Software Defined Radio just released by the ARRL. The 69 page soft cover book is an introductory guide to SDR and Digital Signal Processing (DSP) technologies. Written in a friendly style, it offers a straightforward look inside SDR and provides the foundation for those who want to understand the subject on a more fundamental level. As you read you will discover the basic principles of SDR, advantages to SDR technology and ways to utilise it in Amateur Radio - with the minimum of mathematics. It is available from the SA Amateur Radio Development Trust. Visit www.amateurradio.org.za and select books from the home page.

While talking about books the 2012 ARRL Handbook and the Antenna Books are still available by mail order. Both books are hard cover versions. Another new book available from the website is Basic Radio - Understanding the key building blocks, an ideal book for RAE student who wants to know a little more about receivers, transmitters and antennas.

YOUR LICENCE FEE IS DUE NOW

ICASA has started mailing license renewal notices. The license fee of R120 is due on 1 April 2012. You may also renew for five years at a reduced fee of R501. If you do not receive a renewal notice, the SARL recommends that you pay by using the license number on last year's invoice and your call sign. Also mail the payment notification plus your address to KMashile@icasa.org.za. It is essential that in all payments to ICASA you include your call sign as a payment reference. Also remember to send any postal and email address changes to admin@sarl.org.za

IMPORTANT LICENSE INFORMATION

Approximately 1 700 call signs have been marked by ICASA as "lapsed". This is as a result of the substantial cleanup that ICASA undertook during the last year. This is a significant number of lapsed callsigns and many Amateurs have sometimes unwittingly allowed their licences to lapse. You may well be affected. As an example there are 43 paid up members of the SARL who no longer have valid licences.

For more information, you are urged to visit www.sarl.org.za where you will find more information and what to do.

RTA DATES FOR 2012 ANNOUNCED

The SARL Radio Technology in Action symposium dates have been announced. This year's RTA programme will be of a more practical nature and is aimed at increasing your amateur radio experience. The programme will be finalised in the next two weeks, still giving you the opportunity to send in your suggestions and speakers proposal. Have you considered being a speaker at an RTA? Send your suggestions to rta@sarl.org.za.

The 2012 RTA dates are: 21 July Durban; 18 August Cape Town; 1 September Port Elizabeth; and 29 September Gauteng.

AMATEUR RADIO TODAY FREQUENCY CHANGE

>From Monday (tomorrow) the frequency of Amateur Radio Today will change. The 19:30 CAT transmission will be broadcast on 3 230 kHz. Reception reports are invited to artoday@sarl.org.za.

The Sunday transmission at 10:00 CAT will be on 17 570 and 7 205 kHz.

ICE GOAT 1 APRS BUOY GOES TO SEA OFF ALASKA COAST

A group of Oceanography and Aeronautical engineering students from the US Naval Academy have deployed a radio equipped ocean buoy rigged to monitor weather in the harsh conditions of the arctic. Named Ice Goat 1, the buoy was placed off the coast of Point Barrow, Alaska. Once the winter ice melts the buoy will begin its sea voyage.

In addition to its scientific monitoring gear, Ice Goat 1 carries an APRS beacon operating on 145,825 MHz. The position packets can be relayed via the International Space Station digipeater.

LONDON OLYMPIC COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS ANNOUNCED

Several special event call signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympics Games. The London station, 2012L will be active through the duration of the games. It will be located at the historic Eltham Palace, south-east London and will operate on all modes on 160 through 2 metres. More information about it is on the web at www.2O12L.com.

The Welsh station 2O12W will be operational on all bands from 160 metres through 23 centimetres and all modes including SSTV and satellites. It will be located at Whitmore Bay, on Barry Island. More information on the web at www.2O12W.com.

2O12L and 2O12W will go on the air on July 27th. The Radio Society of Great Britain has been granted use of the games Inspire trademark for these stations. Special QSL cards will be available to all stations contacted.

CONTEST NEWS

SARL 80 METRE CLUB CONTEST, PHONE

The second contest in the series will be run on Wednesday 28 March starting at 17:30 UTC and ending at 18:30 UTC with phone activity

between 3 603 and 3 650 kHz and between 3 700 and 3 775 kHz. Single operator or multi-operator stations can participate. The exchange is an RS report and a consecutive serial number starting at 001. One point is earned per contact and log entries must be submitted by midnight on Wednesday 4 April to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za.

CONTESTS IN APRIL

In April, no less than three contests will take place, details appear in the Diary of Events.

SARL OFFICE CLOSED

Remember, the SARL office will be closed during March as Mariska Faasen is overseas on holiday visiting family. Between Henry Chamberlain and Francois Botha they will attend to emails and telephone messages. Please send emails to the usual address admin@sarl.org.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is dropping off now that huge sunspot 1 429 has rotated out of view of the Earth. It sure was fun while it lasted.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 57.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with even some 6 m openings possible.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

28 March - SARL 80 metre club contest, phone, 17:30 UTC - 18:30 UTC. 4 April - log entries for the SARL 80 metre club contest, phone to be in by midnight to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za. 5 April - SARL 80 m QSO Party 17:00 - 20:00 UTC. 6-9 April - Western Cape Antique Wireless Association Ekspo near Stanford, contact John, ZS1WJ, on 082 673 5337 for more information. 7 April - Autumn RaDAR Contest 12:00 to 18:00 UTC. 14 April the Autumn QRP Sprint 12:00 to 15:00 UTC. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 570 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON

THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Fritz, ZS6SF.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

400. Re: Is KV4FZ Back?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 20:17:16 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mark@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <jkla4cvem2@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3417
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"kb9rqz" <kb9rqz@home.com> wrote in
news:jkg4me$1g1o$1@adenine.netfront.net:

> an on topic post
> "Nomen Nescio" <nobody@dizum.com> wrote in message
> news:7e5026c6e3d34b14cc3e2b04098b8ba4@dizum.com...
>>I noticed a few snippets from a search engine that
>>mentioned Herb's
>> name along with 'kv4fz'. It sounds like he has his call
>> sign back, is that correct?
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>> I thought he was treated shabbily after his efforts to
>> clean up the net that was breaking the law, so I hope he
>> really does have the call sign again.
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>> One of the great present-day amateur radio operators.
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--- Posted via news://freenews.netfront.net/ - Complaints
to news@netfront.net ---

401. eHam.net News for Saturday 24 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 22:09:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba85dee5f6904bc0463ce@google.com>
Source record: 3418
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Sussex Tech Becomes Radio Active; Amateur Radio, Electronics Expo April 21:

Posted: 23 Mar 2012 06:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27970

Ham radio operators and electronics enthusiasts will gather at Sussex Technical High School in Georgetown Saturday, April 21, for the annual Amateur Radio & Electronics Expo. The event, often referred to as a hamfest, features equipment displays, demonstrations and forums that focus on advances in technology and radio communications. The gates open at 6:30 a.m. for the flea market, and doors to the expo open at 7:30. Admission is $5. CBers, electronics hobbyists, boaters and everyone who has an interest in communications and electronics are welcome to attend this yearly event. Electronics equipment, accessories, parts and related items will be offered for sale by several national companies and by vendors in the outdoor flea market.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #12 de K7RA:

Posted: 22 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27969

Solar activity declined this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were off by over 13 points to 75.1, and average daily solar flux dropped over 32 points to 102.1.

402. Selling PDF Copies of Books on CD on Ebay

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-24 22:51:11 UTC
From: Chris Walsh <chrizwal@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5fbc35d0-1622-498d-8b9b-8e6cec4b9a79@v2g2000vbx.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3419

Is this practice allowed.
Making a copy of a book in PDF Format, putting it onto a CD.
Then selling them on ebay.
http://www.ebay.co.uk/sch/radio.tech.1/m.html?hash=item3f1570078b&item=270942603147&pt=UK_Collectables_RadioTelevision_Telephony_SM&_trksid=p4340.l2562
Seller: Radio.tech.1

403. Re: Selling PDF Copies of Books on CD on Ebay

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-25 02:51:46 UTC
From: atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <jkm183mte2@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3420

On 25/03/2012 8:51 AM, Chris Walsh wrote:
> Is this practice allowed.
> Making a copy of a book in PDF Format, putting it onto a CD.
> Then selling them on ebay.
> http://www.ebay.co.uk/sch/radio.tech.1/m.html?hash=item3f1570078b&item=270942603147&pt=UK_Collectables_RadioTelevision_Telephony_SM&_trksid=p4340.l2562
> Seller: Radio.tech.1
Selling a disk is legal , pirating the contents may not be

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X-No-Archive: Yes

404. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 25 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-25 11:10:13 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410ab12c14704bc0f4c25@google.com>
Source record: 3421
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Japan to launch Amateur Radio satellites

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S-T_ofwxjK4/japan_to_launch_amateur_radio_satellites.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) has announced the launch of
five amateur radio satellites on two launches taking place in May and July

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Important licence information

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SkU0WkkeB1E/important_licence_information.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Approximately 1,700 South African amateur radio callsigns have been marked
by ICASA as 'lapsed'. This is as a result of the substantial cleanup that
ICASA undertook during the last year

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Olympic Games Special Event Station GB1HF

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iPiH2kx2340/gb1hf_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South Essex Amateur Radio Society will be running a Special Event
Station for the Olympic Games GB1HF between the 27th July to 23rd August

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RTA dates for 2012 announced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NBToqHoTt0A/rta_dates_for_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SARL Radio Technology in Action symposium dates have been announced.
This year's RTA programme will be of a more practical nature and is aimed
at increasing your amateur radio experience

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UKube-1 on BBC TV show Newsnight

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HsxPNtky3nA/ukube_1_on_newsnight.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Newsnight on BBC TV featured Clyde Space and the work they are doing on the
UK Space Agency's first satellite UKube-1

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/POcORwEy-Xs/march_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is dropping off now
that huge sunspot 1 429 has rotated out of view of the Earth. It sure was
fun while it lasted

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KARI CanSat at Korean Education Exhibition Fair

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/H_CU7NDbLDY/kari_cansat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At the Education Exhibition Fair held in the Korea Aerospace Research
Institute (KARI), young people where able to take part in making a CanSat

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BBC TV - Wireless Power

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BL3Tnb9e6vQ/wireless_power.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC TV show Click examines how wireless charging could boost the
electric car

405. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 25 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-25 16:31:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb03b1de66004bc13c87d@google.com>
Source record: 3422
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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14300 is a busy net freq

Posted: 24 Mar 2012 11:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339411-14300-is-a-busy-net-freq&goto=newpost

:mad: 14300 is a busy net control freq it runs 7 days a week 365 days a
year here is the web addy so you can look and see what we doPLEASE do not
use it for contest calls 14300.net.....73's KI4HRY

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Contest

Posted: 24 Mar 2012 09:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339393-Contest&goto=newpost

What is the contest today?

what is the number people give out mean?

If I reply to a contest call what number do I give?

406. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 25th March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-25 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120325200005.40D9C33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3423
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 25th March 2012

Silent Key

The death has occurred of Michael Hoban, EI5DCB. Funeral took place Wednesday March 21st.

Ar dheis De go raibh a anam dilis.

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

The annual dinner of the IRTS takes place on Saturday April 21st, with the Rally and AGM on the following day. Dinner tickets are just 32, a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. As dinner tickets and rooms are distributed on a first come first served basis, you are encouraged and advised to act now to avoid disappointment. The annual rally, on Sunday April 22nd, will also have its favourites and many new and novel exhibitors.

This is a must attend event in the 80th Anniversary year of your national society. Full details of this event are on the IRTS web site www.irts.ie

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. The Fairways Hotel can be contacted on 042 9321500 or www.fairways.ie

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Revised DXCC Fee Structure

Listeners who are involved in the DXCC programme will be aware that there have been a number of administrative difficulties with the programme in recent months. In particular, there have been delays in processing applications for DXCC credits at certain times, for example after major contests and DXpeditions.

In an effort to overcome these difficulties in the future, ARRL has announced a new fee structure for DXCC applications, one of the aims of the new structure being to encourage frequent smaller applications for

DXCC credits. To achieve this, the premium charged for second and subsequent applications in each year will be dropped.

Later this year, ARRL plans to have an online system for QSL card applications in place: while the cards will still need to be checked by a field checker, it will be possible to generate online the application form to be submitted to the field checker; this, of course, will greatly speed up the eventual processing of the application, as the DXCC staff will not have to perform the data entry.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club is holding a meeting on Wed 28th March at 20:30 in Hannons Hotel, Roscommon.

It is planned to give practical demonstrations on computerised logging, dx cluster and Logbook of the World.

All members are requested to attend and visitors are welcome. For more info see www.shannonbasinradioclub.com

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Lough Erne Rally next Sunday 1st April

The thirty first Lough Erne Amateur Radio Rally will be held next Sunday 1st April. The location is again the SHARE Centre near Lisnaskea, in County Fermanagh. Doors open at 11.30 The traditional strong attendance of radio amateurs and experimenters is expected from across Ireland. The Radio Amateur Old Timers Association is hoping to recruit many new members at the rally. There are more details in the April issue of Echo Ireland, and on the Club website www.learc.eu

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North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive. As you may know, Marconi Day is on 21st April this year and we will be operating over the full 24 hour period on this day in order that collectors of the Marconi Award will have the opportunity to add us to their list. Mizen Head is a beautiful location and well worth a visit.

Special Event Stations for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Some special event call-signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L (Two Oscar One Two Lima) from London, England and 2O12W (Two Oscar One Two Wales) from Barry, Wales. The Radio Society of Great Britain has been granted the 'Inspire mark' for these stations by the London 2012 Inspire programme. The London station, 2012L will be active through the duration of the Games,

located at the historic Eltham Palace, south-east London on 160m-2m, all modes. More information is available on the website http://www.2O12L.com or contact the Press Officer, Mr. John Warburton G4IRN at press /at/ 2o12l.com.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

407. eHam.net News for Sunday 25 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-25 22:19:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410ab01668b04bc18a541@google.com>
Source record: 3424
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Thumbs Up for Amateur Radio:

Posted: 24 Mar 2012 06:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27973

Malacca: With the internet, e-mailing, Skype-styled personal and family voice calls and not forgetting the indispensable cellphone extensively hogging the communication limelight, amateur radio (HAM radio) still continues to be tagged as an 'evergreen hobby' minus the loss of appeal. Testifying to this proud outlook are some 50 faithful and new members of the Malacca Amateur Radio Community (MARC) led by co-ordinator Heng Lye Huat. The group is also continually encouraging school and college students as well as young working professionals and retirees to join the fold and is scoring encouraging response. Established 30 years ago by the late William Tan, MARC which is affiliated to the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) is now spearheaded by his wife Jenny Yong (9M2JS) and sons Eugene and Terrence. The group continues to thrive enthusiastically over related facets and aspects like constructing, experimenting and communicating using radio equipment.

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Emergency Team Honors 2:

Posted: 24 Mar 2012 06:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27972

The Shelby County Office of Preparedness Reserve Program, under the leadership of Community Emergency Response Team coordinator Eugene Jones, recently honored two of its outstanding members -- Willie Hollinger of Cordova and Alexander "Ham" Hilliard of Bartlett. Hollinger and Hilliard were applauded for going above and beyond to teach the public about the importance of disaster preparedness and disaster communications. A reserve since 1995, Hollinger serves as the public education and CERT officer. With more than 25 years of experience, he is known for his kindness, gentle humor, generosity, and depth of public safety knowledge. Hollinger has taught countless number of students how to survive disasters as a certified CERT instructor. He has created several videos of regional and national disasters that are shown during the CERT classes. He also has built many of the life-size props used during the hands-on portion of these classes.

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NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) RX Prop Fcst 20-13:

Posted: 23 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27971

The NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-13 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday March 23, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday March 24, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday March 30, 2012.

408. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-020E - Section Emergency Coordinator appointedfor Quebec Section

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-25 22:37:48 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F6F9E17.6080402@rac.ca>
Source record: 3425
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-020E - Section Emergency Coordinator appointed for
Quebec Section
2012-03-24

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I announce the appointment of
Normand Pitre VE2NHK CEC as Section Emergency Coordinator for the
Quebec Section effective immediately. Normand has shown great interest
in emergency communications and ARES, and is eager to learn more. He
recently earned his RAC Certified Emergency Coordinator designation,
and is eager to chat with any members of the Quebec Section that might
have an interest in establishing a new ARES unit.

Normand resides in Saint Zotique, QC and I would like to wish him the
very best. Welcome Normand

Gilles Lariviere VA2SGL
Section Manager - Quebec

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

409. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 26 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-26 06:21:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357e952a47804bc1f6378@google.com>
Source record: 3426
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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EmcommWest and Voice-over-IP Conference May3 2012

Posted: 24 Mar 2012 08:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339478-EmcommWest-and-Voice-over-IP-Conference-May3-2012&goto=newpost

THE NEXT ANNUAL VoIP TOPICAL CONFERENCE IS FRIDAY MAY 4, 2012

at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno. http://www.emcommwest.org/

Since 2001 Nevada Amateur Radio Repeaters, Inc. (NARRI) sponsored the
Annual VoIP IRLP Conference that is held in the Spring. Prior to 2012 the
conference was held in Las Vegas as a separate event. Now it is part of
EMCOMMWEST event. Each year the meeting has broadened its scope and now
includes all the major VoIP systems in use by the amateur radio community,
i.e., IRLP, Echo link, EchoIRLP, All Star, D-Star and DV Dongle. Report on
success of the Pacific Division D-Star Emcom Net held on Western Reflector
REF014B. See the program for topical speakers.

Here is a summary of details:

Place: Grand Sierra Resort Conference Area

The conference area is in the lower level - take elevator down from main
floor.

>Date: Friday May 4, 2012

Time: 9 am to Noon and 1 to 4:30 pm

Program: elaborates on the various VoIP systems with presentations and
demonstrations.

See past VoIP conference session at
http://www.narri.org/voip_conference.html

Venue: 10th Annual Topical VoIP Conference

Cost: $25 per person. No one allowed without payment, no exceptions.

RSVP: Pre-Registration is Required by April 16, 2012.

Registration: Not available at this time. Will begin on February 1st.

Hotel Rooms: www.EmcommWest.org/accommodations.html

Please direct your questions to Kent W7AOR,w7aor@narri.org or phone 702-452-4412.

It is the hopes of NV Section leadership that this combo will alternate yearly between Reno and Las Vegas. Look forward to seeing you in Reno for the 10th annual VoIP Conference and EmcommWest.

Kent W7AOR, VoIP Conference Chair

www.narri.org

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Ocean Monmouth A.R.C April 21, 2012 Tailgate Hamfes. Project Diana Site, Wall Twp. NJ

Posted: 24 Mar 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339450-Ocean-Monmouth-A-R-C-April-21-2012-Tailgate-Hamfes-Project-Diana-Site-Wall-Twp-NJ&goto=newpost

The Ocean Monmouth A.R.C. will be holding it's Spring Tailgate Hamfest, April 21 2012. Location is the Project Diana Site of the Former Camp evans Complex in Wall Township New Jersey. Gates open to sellers at 06:00 local time, spaces are $10.00 each. Buyers will be allowed in at 07:00 Local time, $5.00 per person. Please check our web site at www.omarc.org for contact information and directions. For those of you who are not aware the Project Diana Site is were the first echo location of the moon took place January 1946. This was the first shot fired in the space race. As a special treat our Hamfest is on the International Marconi Special Event weekend. O.M.A.R.C. is an offical IMD Station. So stop by and get on the air with N2MO/IMD. Hope to see you there. 73's de: Jeff N2LXM

410. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 26 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-26 11:09:18 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Titanic special event station GB100MGY will be on 502 kHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u9RjeOFeQr4/gb100mgy_will_be_on_502_khz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The special event station GB100MGY will be operating on 502 kHz from the Fort Perch Rock marine radio museum in the Wirral, UK during the Titanic commemoration

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TAMSAT - Internal Housekeeping Unit - IHU

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kRvV0YHEpQs/tamsat_ihu.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When we first founded TAMSAT, Association of Amateur Satellite Technologies approximately two years ago, we have made a big commitment. Our commitment was to develop technology in Turkey, not any technology, but a complex one related to space systems

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact with California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rnl9mkBoPQk/ariss_event_2703.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California on 27 March

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Spring edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter now online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HOQgfl665DA/5_mhz_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Spring edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter has now been published and features information on the recent WRC-12 conference - free to download

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WebSDR adds 437 MHz Goliat CubeSat coverage

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jEqKfZSXMVU/websdr_adds_goliat_cubesat_coverage.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A Romanian online software defined radio has recently added coverage of the
437 MHz band that is used by the amateur radio CubeSat Goliat

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Section Emergency Coordinator appointed for Quebec Section

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Normand Pitre VE2NHK CEC as Section Emergency Coordinator for the Quebec
Section effective immediately

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North Cook Islands

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A team of 7 amateur radio operators will be active as E51M from Manihiki
(OC-014) between March 28th and April 10th

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CubeSats feature in BBC 2 TV show

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AHpdWHfUdyw/cubesats_feature_in_bbc2_tv_show.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC 2 TV show 'In Orbit: How Satellites Rule Our World' featuring a
section on CubeSats and the Surrey Space Centre at Guildford is now
available on the web

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Book now for the SARL National Convention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ryKkzoNp9R8/book_now_for_the_sarl_national_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Have you booked for the 2012 SARL National Convention? If you have not, do
it now. Check-out some of the highlights

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Yukon John in Hawaii

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XF2VuO-Ty_M/yukon_john_in_hawaii.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

'Yukon John', KL7JR and XYL Claire, WL7MY will once again be active from
the Big Island between April 1-15th, using the callsign NH7DX

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gkdlv3RkWMU/history_26_march.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

411. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 25th March 2012

The news headlines:

* AROS Coordinator appointments

* Questions for the RSGB AGM

* British Legion Special Event

Following the vacancy advertised in RadCom and the RSGB website, Keith Bassett, G7NBU has been appointed as the new AROS Coordinator. Mario Brashill, G2DPA has been appointed as a deputy. Together they bring significant experience and skill to the Amateur Radio Observation Service with its broad challenges of investigating matters that might bring the amateur services into disrepute, The Board would like to thank the other candidates who applied for the position and also John Rogers, M0JAV for his temporary role in managing AROS whilst the vacancy was filled.

For those unable to attend the RSGB AGM on 21 April in Bedford, it is now possible to table a question for the meeting. Whether you would like to ask a question at the AGM or the afternoon discussion session you can now submit the question online. The questions will be tabled, subject to available time, and you will receive a personal reply after the AGM. To place your question, go to www.rsgb.org and click on the appropriate heading under RSGB Articles and Statements. If you are able to attend and wish to stay for lunch, you can also register an interest at www.rsgb.org.

The British Legion was founded on 1 July 1921 and members of South Derbyshire and Ashby Woulds Amateur Radio Group are planning a special event station to mark the event. They are looking for other amateur radio groups to join in. Any club that is interested should contact Jacqui, 2E0JQY by e-mail to m3jqy@netcom.co.uk.

On 9 March the RSGB learnt that Bluefin, also known as Amateur Radio Insurance Services, was leaving the amateur radio insurance market. The RSGB has no direct involvement with amateur radio insurance and this announcement was unexpected. The RSGB is aware that other brokers are interested in offering amateur radio insurance and hopes that an announcement on a new insurance provider might be made by 31 March when Bluefin ceases to take on new business. Any developments will be announced on the RSGB website www.rsgb.org.

The Hermes SDR project that was detailed in RadCom in May 2010 by Phil Harman, VK6APH and Steve Ireland, VK6VZ is one step closer to fruition. There is now an interest list so that the number of boards to be manufactured can be determined. Hermes is a Direct-Down Conversion receiver, a Direct-Up-Conversion 500mW transmitter and a gigabit Ethernet interface all on one board. Also on board is an RF-quiet switch- mode power supply, which allows Hermes to run from a single 13.8V DC source. You can register your interest at www.hansdr.com.

1 And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Spring Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale will he held today, 25 March, at the Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AL. Doors open at 10am and there will be, civil, military & vintage radio equipment, vehicle spares & more. Contact Rod Siebert, 01270 623 353.

The Devon & Cornwall HAMFEST also takes place today, 25 March, at The Engine House, Compton Park, Callington PL17 8EA. There will be trade stands and special interest groups. Compton Park is a peaceful, simple unspoilt site formerly the site of an old Cornish tin mine, with the old Cornish steam engine house and the Engine House Tea Rooms. More information from Dereck, M0YDW, via e-mail to disco5live@btinternet.com.

The Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club Annual Rally will take place on 1 April at The Share Holiday Village, Lisnaskea, Co. Fermanagh BT92 0EQ. Doors open at 11.30am. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from Iain on 02866 326 693.

Also on 1 April the South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Rally will be held in the Scout Activity Centre, Woodhouse Park, Almondsbury, Bristol BS32 4LX. Doors open at 10am. There will be trade stands as well as a Bring & Buy. Talk in is on S22. More details from Stan Goodwin, G0RYM on 07833 517 370.

Now for the news of special events

The Medway Amateur Receiving & Transmitting Society will be on air from Tuesday 27 March to Saturday 31 March activating Fort Amherst in Chatham Kent. This is part of their 90th birthday celebrations and they will be using special callsign GB5MW. More details can be found at www.cashota.co.uk or www.g5mw.org.uk/.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Hartwig, DL7BC will operate as TO7BC from the Indian Ocean island of Mayotte until 6 April. QSLs go via his home callsign.

An international team will activate the callsign E51M from the North Cook Islands from 28 March to 10 April. They will operate on all bands, 6 to 160m, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The QSL manager is DJ8NK.

Kevin, 2E0WMG/P, will be active in SSB on 10 to 80m from Lundy Island, which is Worked All Britain square SS14, from 27 to 31 March. QSL via

his home callsign either via the bureau or direct.

Retu, OH4MDY will be active as XV2RZ from Vietnam until 16 April. He says that this time he will pay special attention to digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

Nine operators from the Verona DX Team will be active from the Franciscan mission at Cumura, Guinea- Bissau until 6 April. The operation will concentrate on 144MHz EME using the callsign J52EME, but a couple of stations will be active on 10 to 80 metres using the callsign J52HF. There will also be 6m activity. HF activity will concentrate on RTTY and CW. QSL via I3LDP, direct or via the bureau.

2 Now the contest news

This weekend is the SSB leg of CQWW WPX. The 48 hour contest finishes at 2359UTC today, 25 March. Everybody works everybody exchanging a report and serial number. Expect the contesting bands to be congested and some pretty large serial numbers to be exchanged across the 1.8 to 28MHz bands. The 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 27 March from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 27 March the SHF UK Activity Contest take place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

At 90 minutes in duration it may be a short contest, but make no mistake, the 1st RoPoCo contest on 1 April is quite challenging. The maximum permitted power is 100 watts with no QRP or high power categories and the basic format is that in your first QSO you send your full postcode and for all subsequent QSOs you send the postcode you received in your previous QSO. If you receive a postcode that you know is erroneous, for example a corrupted version of your own postcode, record it as received and give it to your next QSO partner as is. Provided you are not the person to introduce an error, you'll get points for the QSO, because it is the accuracy of the exchange that is important. This all takes place on the 3.5MHz bands from 1900 to 2030UTC.

Activity on 70MHz continues to grow with the 1st 70MHz contest taking place on 1 April from 0900 to 1200UTC. Last year 156 stations took part from six different call areas. It's a race to accumulate as many kilometres worked as possible, with no multipliers. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 16th to the 22nd of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 23rd of March.

This week was much quieter than recent weeks. Most of the sunspots groups visible were small and mostly quiet. However, some groups did produce several C class solar flares and on the 17th an impulsive M1

solar flare took place which had very little effect on propagation. Solar flux levels varied little and averaged 101 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 22nd was 122, that's three units down on last week. X-ray flux levels for the period averaged B2.1 units with very little daily variation. Geomagnetic activity started at `active' levels with an Ap index of 21 and 22 units on the 16th and the 17th respectively. Activity then declined to quiet levels for the remainder of the period. The average was Ap 11 units. Solar wind speeds declined from 720 kilometres per second on the 17th to 360 by the 22nd. Particle densities were low throughout the period. Bz during the disturbance varied between minus and plus 7 nanoTeslas and on the quieter day between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas. MUFs tended to fall short of expectations during the past week. For seasonal reasons north-south HF paths held up reasonably well but east-west paths were relatively poor.

And finally the solar forecast. During the second half of the week the return of old region 1429 which produced 14 M class and 2 X class solar flares on its last rotation is expected to rotate into view. Solar activity is expected to be low to moderate at first but could then increase to higher levels later in the week. Solar flux levels should increase from around the 110 mark to into the 130's by next weekend. Geomagnetic

3 activity is expected to be mostly quiet but a slight increase around midweek could take place due to a small coronal hole. Any Earth directed coronal mass ejections would increase activity. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 26MHz for the south and 23MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 9MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 20MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1600 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team. 73 de Neil, G0CAS.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 25 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the CQ World Wide WPX Contest All Day. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Sunday 25 March Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is taking part in the CQ WW PX contest. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Monday 26 March Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a net on 144.165MHz at 7pm. Details on 0755 4362 020.

On Monday 26 March Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding a construction competition. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 26 March Leicester Radio Society is showing an RSGB video called Winning on the Hill. Details from John, G0IJM, on 07939 121 132.

On Monday 26 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding an aerial inspection and repairs evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 26 March Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk on transceiver remote control by Jon, G4URH. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 27 March Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 27 March Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a VHF SSTV at 7.30pm. Details on 0755 4362 020.

On Tuesday 27 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 50MHz UK Activity Contest in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 27 March Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 27 March Worcester Radio Amateurs Association has a project night planned. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

5 On Tuesday 27 March Wythall Radio Club is having a talk by Barry, M0DGQ on A Beginner's Guide to Valves. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 28 March Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a net for M3 and M6 operators on GB3FR at 7.30pm. Details on 0755 4362 020.

On Wednesday 28 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club has a talk by Keith, G8BBP on RF Lightening Protection. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 28 March Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning the spring and summer socials. Training classes will also take place. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 28 March Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 29 March Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a NA1SS contact day. Details on 0755 4362 020.

On Thursday 29 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a simplex net on 145.375MHz. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 29 March Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 29 March South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 30 March Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a Project 2012 construction night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 20 March Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a net on Gb3FR at 8pm. Details on 0755 4362 020.

On Friday 30 March Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is having a talk and demonstration of ARDF map reading. More information from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0845 4639 640.

On Friday 30 March South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 31 March Lincoln Short-Wave Club is in the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

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NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Sunday 25 March Hambleton Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on valves by Tony, G8FLV. More information from Tony Wilson, G3MAE, on 01609 881 530.

On Monday 26 March Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 26 March Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its Annual General Meeting & Review of Past Year. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 26 March Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Safety in the Shack by G8RDP. More information from J Duddington, G4BFH, on 01253 853 554.

On Tuesday 27 March Chester & District Radio Society Radio is holding an operating evening. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 27 March Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 28 March Denby Dale Radio Club is having a night on the air. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 28 March Durham and District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Contact David, M0BPM on 0191 3888113

On Wednesday 28 March Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the fear of flying by M0GAP. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 28 March Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is looking at setting up HF antennas. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Wednesday 28 March Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Antennas the Army Way by John Langdon. G0KKO. Details from Simon, G6XHF on 0151 601 3269.

On Thursday 29 March Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a social evening and night on the air from the club shack. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 30 March East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 30 March Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is holding a Bring & Buy for good quality junk. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 31 March Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a Foundation exam at 2pm. Contact Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855.

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

RAOTA, the Radio Amateur Old Timers Association, is looking for more members and will have a stand at the Lough Erne Rally on Sunday 1 April. RAOTA seeks to keep alive the pioneer spirit and traditions of the past in today's amateur radio. Its friendly local gatherings and nets on the bands, the hundred issues to-date of its quarterly journal, OT News and RAOTA's other publications make an important, historic and technical treasure of amateur radio lore that remains pertinent today.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 27 March Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 28 March Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having a round-table discussion involving members' radio-experiences and raising radio problems. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Wednesday 28 March Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on homebrew microwave construction by Dr. John Cooke GM8OTI. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 29 March Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is On the Air as well as a Morse class. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 29 March Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on rigging by 2M0BZZ. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Advance news from The Lymington Community Centre Radio Club. An Intermediate training course will be starting at the Lyminton Community Centre, New Street, Lymington SO41 9BQ on Wednesday 18 April at 7pm. For further information please contact Keith Cromar, G8MZF by e-mail to m0lccandg8mzf@googlemail.com.

On Sunday 25 March Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Monday 26 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is holding a club net on GB3BF from 8.30pm. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Monday 26 March Maidstone YMCA Amateur Radio Society is having a training and discussion evening. More information from Howard Vicary, G0RJN, by email to hvicary@hotmail.com.

8 On Monday 26 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding a club net from 7.30pm on GB3NB, everyone is welcome. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Tuesday 27 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is having a wireless workshop on making an antenna. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 27 March Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is in the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 27 March Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a club net from 8.30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 27 March Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on the Aspects of valve audio amplifiers design and performance by Keith Thrower. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 27 March Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night Details from Malcolm, G8NRP on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 27 March Home Counties ATV Group is having a talk on the Analogue to Digital Television switchover at Crystal Palace by Noel G8GTZ. Details from Pete, G8FRC on 01189 695697.

On Wednesday 28 March Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society Club is having a setup and demonstration of the FT-726. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 28 March Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding a talk on The Talking Newspaper by Graham, G4NTB. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 28 March Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 28 March Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society Radio has a presentation on the 2012 Olympics by Tom Grady, G6IGA. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday 28 March Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on T32C and the story of Christmas Island and the biggest ham radio expedition in history by Michael Wells, G7VJR. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday 29 March Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is holding a club net on GB3BF from 8.30pm. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Thursday 29 March Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club night. Details from Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Thursday 29 March Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 29 March Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is watching a video on The Secrets Of Bletchley Park. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 30 March Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a RAYNET presentation by Mark Elbourn, 2E0EFA. Details from Mick Ponsford, M0GWD on 02392 366699

9 On Friday 30 March Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk entitled Our Visit to Namibia by Jim, G4WYJ. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 26 March Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk by Roger Davis, G3IUZ on 60 years in and out of radio. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 26 March Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 26 March Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a Morse class. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 28 March Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio is planning the club rally with Stan, G0RYM. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 29 March South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a South Gloucestershire rally briefing. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on

07838 695 471.

On Thursday 29 March Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 30 March Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation night. Entry is by ticket only. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday 29 March Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the Air on 145.500 then 145.550. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Friday 30 March Newport Amateur Radio Society is closed for school holidays. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

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412. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 19 - 25 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-26 15:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120326153001.E5D4D33C57@panix2.panix.com>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Issued: 2012 Mar 26 1340 UTC
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
19 - 25 March 2012

Solar activity has been at low to moderate levels for the past seven days. The largest event of the period was a M1 x-ray event on 23 March at 1940 UTC from Region 1445 (S24, L=026, class/area Fho/280 on 25 March). Region 1445 rotated onto the southeast limb of the solar disk late on 23 March and has since dominated in solar activity, producing multiple C-class x-ray events. Region 1444 (N19, L=067, class/area Cao/060 on 25 March) emerged on 23 March and has also been active, producing multiple C-class x-ray events. Both Regions, 1445 and 1444, produced CMEs on 25 March, however very little effect is expected here at Earth. The remaining regions on the solar disk remained rather quiet and stable.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit during the summary period.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at predominantly high levels for the duration of the summary period. However, on 23 and 25 March, moderate levels were observed.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to active levels with an isolated period at minor storm levels at high latitudes. On 19 March, predominantly quiet levels were observed with an isolated active period measured early in the day, in response to the arrival of a CME from 15 March. Quiet conditions prevailed from 20 March to late on 22 March, when a solar sector boundary (SSB) crossing was measured by the ACE spacecraft. Following the SSB, quiet to unsettled levels were seen from 22 - 23 March. On 24 March, active levels with an isolated minor storm period was observed as a small coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) moved into a geoeffective position. This CH HSS was short lived with measurements by the ACE spacecraft indicating a quick rise in solar wind speeds to around 500 km/s followed by a quick decrease to nominal background levels. On 25 March, activity returned to quiet levels.

Note: There is a gap in data from the GOES 15 spacecraft from late on 21 March through mid 23 March. This gap can be seen in the GOES 15 x-ray plot.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
26 March - 21 April 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels. Predominantly low levels are expected from 26 - 28 March, when old Region 1429 rotates back onto the northeast limb. M-class flare probabilities are expected to increase from 28 March - 11 April as old Region 1429 progresses across the solar disk. A return to low levels is expected to prevail for the remainder of the period, 12 - 21 April.

No proton events are forecast from 26 - 30 March. An increase to a slight chance for proton events is forecast from 31 March - 11 April as old Region 1429 populates the visible disk. A return to background proton flux levels is expected from 12 April - 21 April.

Electrons, greater than 2 MeV, are expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 26 - 28 March. From 29 March - 03 April, moderate to high levels are expected. From 04 - 13 April, a return to normal to moderate levels is expected. Moderate to high levels are expected from 14 - 18 April. A return to normal levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to be at mostly quiet levels from 26 - 27 March. Quiet to active levels are expected from 28 -29 March in response to the effects of a CH HSS. Predominantly quiet levels are expected from 30 March - 12 April. An increase to quiet to active levels is expected from 13 - 14 April in response to a CH HSS. Quiet levels are expected to prevail for the remainder of the period.

413. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 26 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-26 16:22:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf305642d78f332c04bc27c6b3@google.com>
Source record: 3430
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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XR6T reports strong Earthquake

Posted: 25 Mar 2012 04:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339571-XR6T-reports-strong-Earthquake&goto=newpost

3/25/2012 23:15 UTC.

While working the 2012 CQ World-Wide WPX Contest on 21.283.5, in mid
contact, XR6T reports a strong earthquake at his station.....You could
tell he was shaken, but he didn't miss a beat.

414. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 26 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-26 16:23:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73dccdf204bc27c9cb@google.com>
Source record: 3431
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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2O12L Ham Radio Eltham Palace

Posted: 26 Mar 2012 02:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339611-2O12L-Ham-Radio-Eltham-Palace&goto=newpost

2O12L - that's Two Oscar One Two London - will be the callsign of the London ham radio station celebrating the London Olympic Games and Paralympics.

We will be based at Eltham Palace, which is in the London Borough of Greenwich, one of the six ☐host boroughs☐ for the Games.

We plan to make at least 60,000 contacts during the seven weeks operating on the air. Visitors may view an exhibition about radio communications and electronics, and sit down at the radio and make contact with amateur radio operators right around the world. We are also offering ☐bite-sized☐ talks giving an overview of radio and its importance in the modern world.

Radio hams from around the world are encouraged to visit 2O12L, which is easily reached by bus from Greenwich.

Please bookmark this site and check back often, for updates as the project progresses. Follow us also on Facebook and Twitter.

http://www.2o12l.com/

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WPX contest - China stations

Posted: 25 Mar 2012 07:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339586-WPX-contest-China-stations&goto=newpost

Hi all,

I participated in this weekend's CQ WPX SSB contest mostly to get some new DX stations in my log but also to help out giving some points to the guys and gals on there. With a whopping total of 55 contacts, I'm not getting any plaques anytime soon. The conditions overall, especially on 15m, were impressive. I know the big guns come out to play on contest days but I have never heard JA's being S9+10 at 10PM ET on 15m. As is typical for any day of the week, 20m was a zoo. 10m and 80m were also in great shape.

What was up with the Chinese stations? There were a few B1, B3 and B7 stations that were simply booming into NA. I mean S9+ solid. I pointed my ho-hum 3el Yagi at them and keyed off several 1500W bursts in their direction... nothing. Several other stations, including some of the big boys, had similar experience. It was so bad I thought for a minute they had been banned from contacting NA stations for some reason. But I did hear a few station get through so something else might have been going on.

I stayed on and listened to their exchanges and while others in EU and NA were already in the near 3K QSO counts, the Bx stations where low 1K count. The few that made it through had to repeat their exchanges several times - odd to hear such huge/clear signals having to ask "again, again?" over and over. A few stations, including myself, sent "Bx loud but deaf" type comments to the DX clusters so it was widespread.

So what are the theories here? Local QRN/QRM in Bx land? Unlikely it was happening to the entire country. Problems with receive filter availability maybe? Language barrier? The guys calling spoke fluently and were certainly compressible. Any Bx station on this forum that can comment?

73,

Julio

K4JRG

415. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Callsign GB100MGY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-26 18:55:12 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F70BB68.7030107@rac.ca>
Source record: 3432
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Special Callsign GB100MGY
2012-03-25

Good afternoon,

We have obtained and will be operating GB100MGY callsign on all amateur bands from FORT PERCH ROCK MARINE RADIO MUSEUM NEW BRIGHTON WIRRAL U.K. Dates from 6th April until 26th April on CW and SSB.

We also have special permission to use above callsign on the 501khz-504khz band from the 12th April until 18th April and will be transmitting on 502khz cw and for those people without a 500khz band licence a crossband qso on 3566 khz or 7066khz as propagation conditions permits.

This event is to mark the 100th anniversary of the TITANIC disaster in 1912. We are also having a special overnight operation on 14th/15th April the date Titanic was sunk, this will be concentrated mainly on the 502khz as it was the 500khz band where the Titanic made her CQD and later on the SOS distress calls/messages.

We are hoping for a POND HOP to East coast area of Canada on the 502khz band with suitable conditions at that time. Please ask your amateur radio friends in Canada to listen out for us and include our callsign in your news bulletins.

Many thanks and 73 de John Hudson M0CMW

P.S.: our websites are:-http://www.fortperchrockmarineradiomuseum.co.ukand also for this event ishttp://www.gb100mgy-fortperchrock.co.uk.

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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416. eHam.net News for Monday 26 March 2012

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Source record: 3433
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Eliminating The Middleman in the Information Revolution:

Posted: 25 Mar 2012 05:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27977

Rob Duerr gets his information about crime in Edmonton direct, unfiltered and unexpurgated -- from his bank of high-tech police scanners. EDMONTON -- While the multitudes muddle along with traditional information sources (newspapers, television, radio stations, or their dot-com equivalents), while the rest of us cop that next fix from the billion-brained beasts of Facebook and Twitter, the few, the proud, the very, very skeptical prefer to get their news in a somewhat less-conventional way. By eavesdropping on the cops. Rob Duerr earns his daily bread repairing and installing CB and Ham radios for trucking companies, by programming police scanners for local newsrooms in search of, well, the news. He then goes home and, you guessed it, listens to police scanners or talks on his ham radio with other guys who, often as not, also listen to police scanners. This guy is tuned in, turned on and plugged in. All day, every day.

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Philip D. Ingraham, W2OSY (SK):

Posted: 25 Mar 2012 05:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27976

Philip D. Ingraham (Phil) of 175 Deerland Ave., Painted Post, NY, expired on Friday, March 23, 2012, at Founders Pavilion in Corning, NY. He was born on December 11, 1916, at Hornell, NY, the son of Robert and Ratie Ingraham. His parents; two brothers, Robert and Lee; and a daughter, Sandi Slater, have predeceased him. Phil is survived by his loving wife, Beatrice (Bea) of 69 years; a nephew, Robert Ingraham of Vancouver, CA; a niece, Helen Francis of Silver City, NM; and a great nephew, Kevin Crowe, of Tucson, AZ. Phil graduated from Painted Post High School in 1936. He worked for Painted Post Post Office and Quigley's Drug Store prior to enlisting in the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1942. Phil married Beatrice Mathews in 1942 in St. Louis, MO, near Scott Field, IL, where he was stationed at the time. He served in the South Pacific for nearly three years. He was a M/Sgt. In the Army Airways Communications System in the U.S. Army Air Force and was honorably discharged in 1945. He was an Amateur Radio Operator (W2OSY). He was the first radio operator to be licensed in Painted Post by the Federal Radio Commission (now the Federal Communication Commission). This took place in 1934. Phil enjoyed life, he

loved people, ham radio, traveling, photography, children, animals, and birds. He enjoyed writing poetry over the years and had several poems published. He worked at Corning Radio and Corning Building Co. prior to being employed by Corning, Inc. He retired from Corning, Inc. in 1976 having been employed at their laboratories as an electronic technician in Corning and Sullivan Park. He had 20 years of active service before an accident whereby he had to take a disability retirement. He was a member and an Ordained Deacon in the First Presbyterian Church in Painted Post where he has been a member since 1945. He sang in the Church Choir, was at one time a member of the Barbershoppers, and loved playing the electronic organ at home. He was a member of the American Legion and the VFW in Corning.

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Ham Radio Now Episode 5:

Posted: 24 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27975

The ARRL's QST magazine is going Digital starting this June. Bob Inderbitzen NQ1R tells Gary how and why... and lots more...

417. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 27 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-27 12:26:02 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <0016e68dbb74f91f8b04bc377740@google.com>
Source record: 3434
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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MyGAREC 2012 is announced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/49TOhzzcD-Q/mygarec_2012_is_announced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference (GAREC), now coined as 'MyGAREC 2012', will be held at the Thistle Port Dickson Resort, Negeri Sembilan, from November 12 to 14. It attracts participants from around the world

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Guernsey DXpedition SHF

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5hWhut_49Ls/guernsey_expedition_shf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the success of last year's expedition giving many stations a new one, the Telford and District Amateur Society will be visiting the Island of Guernsey between June 22-27

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Apex students talk with space station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/k9M5HGxa2dU/apex_students_talk_with_space_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Wednesday, March 21, students at Salem Elementary in Apex came together in the school’s multipurpose room for a once-in-a-lifetime event

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ARISS QSO 21 March 2012, HB9SPACE

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GOWwdDVxbwc/ariss_event_success_2103.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Wednesday 21 March 2012 at 08 :39 UTC, 09 :39 CEWT, Swiss Air Force Museum Clin d'Ailes, located on the Swiss Airforce Base in Payerne, Switzerland, established an ARISS contact with ESA astronaut André Kuipers, PI9ISS, aboard the International Space Station

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Successful ARISS contact for Istituto Tecnologico 'Leone Acciaiuoli',
Ortona, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s0c4u-nwu7I/ariss_event_success_1803.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Sunday, March 18, students from Istituto Tecnologico Statale Trasporti e
Logistica 'Leone Acciaiuoli', Ortona, Italy established an ARISS contact
with NASA astronaut Daniel C. Burbank KC5ZSX onboard the International
Space Station

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GMJSIdpK9LQ/wca_2703.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

News of more operations during the coming months for the World Castles
Award scheme

418. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 27 March 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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MyGAREC 2012 is announced

Posted: 27 Mar 2012 07:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339762-MyGAREC-2012-is-announced&goto=newpost

MyGAREC 2012 is announced

The Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference (GAREC), now coined as 'MyGAREC 2012', will be held at the Thistle Port Dickson Resort, Negeri Sembilan, from November 12 to 14. It attracts participants from around the world.

The first GAREC was in 2005 and is the premier annual event attended by those with an interest in amateur radio providing emergency communications during training exercises or in response to disasters.

MyGAREC 2012 has been timed to immediately follow the IARU Region 3 Conference in Vietnam (November 5 to 9) which has as its theme disaster relief communications.

General information including information on the venue, registration fees and the tentative agenda and the registration forms will be posted on the website www.mygarec2012.com by the end of this month.

This website will be updated frequently to keep all updated with the latest news and program changes.

Among the draft topics to be discussed are the HF Emergency Operating Procedure, the Future of GAREC, presentations from the three regions of the IARU and also some presentations from societies with recent disaster relief communications operations.

For more information you may also email info@mygarec2012.com

MyGarec 2012 Team

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419. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 27 March 2012

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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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GP3ZME/P Guernsey EU-114 160M-24GHZ June 22-27

Posted: 26 Mar 2012 12:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339682-GP3ZME-P-Guernsey-EU-114-160M-24GHZ-June-22-27&goto=newpost

Hi

Following the success of last years expedition giving many stations a new one the Telford and District Amateur Society will be visiting the Island of Guernsey Between June 22-27 2012 and operating on.

HF 160 Meters to 10 Meters.

VHF 50MHZ 70MHZ 144MHZ

UHF 1.3GHZ SHF 2.3GHZ 3.4GHZ 5.7GHZ 10GHZ 24GHZ.

You may follow the DX Expedition on twitter 2W0ZJA will be tweating updates frequencies etc. http://twitter.com/#!/@2W0ZJA .

VHF talk back and ON4KST chat will also be used. Locator Square of the camping site is IN89QK but members of the group may well move around the island looking for the best paths to UK EU etc.

Taking Part In Following Contests Over the Weekend of the 23-24 June

1.3Ghz and 50MHZ (cw) contests

UKug Contests 24th June

5.7GHz Cumulative 24th June

10GHz Cumulative 24th June

24GHz Cumulative 26th June

SHF UKAC 2.3Ghz -24Ghz

The 70MHZ Station if operational will be QRO still to be confirmed.

We will be going at the peak to the es season so 50mhz will be a priority currently we only have a two element beam for 6 metres can we fit a 5 in ?

The main objective of the Expedition is to have fun especially on SHF.

You can read the clubs newsletter detailing last years expedition by clicking on the link below

http://www.tdars.org.uk/library/News...0October11.pdf

More details and qsl information can be found under http://www.qrz.com/db/gp3zme gp3zme on qrz.com with a half hour youtube film of last years activities.

Cheers

Paul

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Clemson University Field Demo Friday 3/30

Posted: 26 Mar 2012 09:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339656-Clemson-University-Field-Demo-Friday-3-30&goto=newpost

Here's the announcement we sent out around campus:

Friday March 30th, starting around 2pm, the Amateur Radio Club will be setting up a station on Bowman field to demonstrate portable radio equipment and to help prepare our club to offer emergency communications in event of a natural disaster. We will be using battery power to run an HF radio, and a simple wire dipole antenna, all of which can be set up in less than 15 minutes and will allow us to communicate to people in many parts of the world. Anyone is welcome to stop by and check out the equipment and learn about the hobby of amateur radio. If you've ever found yourself interested in radios, antennas, electronics or just talking to interesting people around the world, this event is for you.

Look for us on 20m, we'll try to hang around 14.280, beginning around 1800Z until about 2100. The intended audience will be students in related EE classes whose profs announce the event, and various passersby/frisbee players who are out enjoying the sunshine. We'll be operating under the club call WD4EOG.

420. eHam.net News for Tuesday 27 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-27 22:11:15 UTC
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eHam.net News

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Apex Students Talk with Space Station:

Posted: 26 Mar 2012 06:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27978

Last Wednesday, students at Salem Elementary in Apex came together in the school's multipurpose room for a once-in-a-lifetime event. Fourteen students, six of them winners of the school's science fair a few weeks earlier, made their way onto the stage for their turn to ask a question of astronaut Don Pettit 241 miles up and on the other side of the Earth aboard the International Space Station. The event, more than a year in the making, was made possible by NASA's Teaching from Space and the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station ARISS) project. Astronauts periodically take a few minutes out of their schedule to talk with students around the world about their research and what it is like to live and work in space. Last week Salem Elementary got its turn. This week students at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, are scheduled to connect with astronaut Dan Burbank aboard the ISS.

421. The ARRL Contest Update for March 28, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 05:09:42 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120328043029.30D5C20CEA@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3438
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The ARRL Contest Update

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March 28, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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==> NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Why not give QRP contesting a try during the next couple of weekends?
The QRP ARCI has one of its biggest QRP contests of the year in April
(the other is in October) and there are a pair of fun sprints, too.
VHF+ contesters get a sprint of their own, too, with the 2 meter
edition.

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

PU5DCB was operating on 10 meters - not 15 meters. PU-prefix stations
are not permitted to operate on 15 meters and are limited to 100 watts.
(Thanks, Luc PY8AZT)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

March 31 - April 1

- Worldwide EME Contest
- FOC QSO Party--CW
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- Lighthouse Spring Lites QSO Party
- MO QSO Party
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Apr 3)
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Apr 3)

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- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Apr 11)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

State QSO parties are getting more popular every year with the bands taking on the sounds of a major domestic contest during the largest of them. This spring also features a pair of the new breed - regional QSO parties. Pioneered by the 7th district's 7QP <http://www.codxc.com/> and now joined by the New England QSO Party <http://neqp.org/>, the first weekend in May has become a "mini-Sweepstakes" of sorts with the Indiana QSO Party <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp> joining the fun, as well. Several of the individual states in the 7th and 1st districts have had irregular sponsorship for QSO parties and the solution has been to combine forces into a larger contest. To help sort out the location codes, county codes have been devised by each contest. If you plan on participating, it would be a good idea to check these out ahead of time! In fact, for any state QSO party using counties or parishes as multipliers, be sure you use the right abbreviations as they are not always just the first three letters of the name! You'll also have to figure out a logging strategy as your logging software is designed to do one contest at a time - one PC log, two paper logs? Three laptops and three CW interfaces all "Y-ed" together? The mind boggles! At any rate, have fun as you put some of the nation's more interesting counties in your logs.

June may be the start of summertime here in the northern hemisphere but it is the dead of winter south of the equator and prime Top Band season! To take advantage of those good conditions "down under", Tree N6TR has announced the "Summer Stew <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules>" version of the Stew Perry contest to run on June 16th and 17th. As regulars on the band will attest, there is DX to be worked year-round on 160 meters and with the improvements in receiver and antenna technology of recent years, the band can be lively at any time of year.

CQ Magazine has announced a short delay
<http://cqnewsroom.blogspot.com/2012/03/update-on-logbook-of-world-and-cq.html>
in the launching of support for the CQ WPX award program through the
ARRL's Logbook of the World (LOTW). Watch for additional updates on the
status of this long-awaited expansion of LOTW with more support for CQ
awards on the way.

The current edition of the Twin City DX Association's Grey Line Report
<http://www.tcdxa.org/newsletter.html#newsletter> includes an interview
with two members of the HK0NA team that set a new record of more than
190,000 QSOs from a "tent and generator" DXpedition. In the same issue
is the story of how an existing Rohn 55 tower is converted into a
rotating tower without having to take it down and reinstall it from
scratch. This "in place" conversion was even done solo! Ol�! (Thanks,
Lynn W4NL)

Where do I point the beam? A perennial (if not daily) question for the
DXer - which direction - is often answered by an "azimuthal" map
showing the great-circle path to anywhere from your QTH. You can buy
one but the AZ_PROJ web site <http://www.wm7d.net/azproj.shtml> can
whip up a custom map for you in a few minutes. Start with the "Short
Form" version to get a feel for the program - enter your latitude and
longitude, select "Whole World" and 2500 km/cm for the whole map to fit
on one sheet of letter-sized paper. Press "Generate Map" and voila! The
"Long Form" process allows much more customization - warning - making
custom maps is quite addictive!

Thanks to the efforts of Don KQ6FM and Kevin N0IRW there are four new
30-second video PSA's <http://www.arrl.org/video-psas> available from
the ARRL Public Relations Department. These can serve double-duty as
the sound track alone is also good for radio PSAs all by itself. There
is also a 15-second PSA. (Thanks, ARRL PR Manager, Allen W1AGP)

The FCC Office of Engineering and Technology in conjunction with the
Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and the Office of Strategic Planning
recently hosted a two-day workshop
<http://www.fcc.gov/events/workshop-spectrum-efficiency-and-receivers-day-1>
discussing the characteristics of receivers and how their performance
can affect the efficient use of spectrum and opportunities for the
creation of new services. Key topics included current practices for
receiver design, case studies involving interference due to receiver
characteristics, and approaches for promoting interference avoidance
and efficient use of spectrum, given the current receiver base and
potential future deployments. (Thanks, Steve K9HY)

Those West Coasties not making the the trek to the Dayton Hamvention
this year might consider the Bay Area's May 19th and 20th Maker Faire
<http://makerfaire.com/>. Attracting huge crowds over the past couple
of years, a Maker Faire features all manner of do-it-yourself (DIY) and
hands-on activities, including ham radio. There are a number of
mini-Faires springing up everywhere from China to Lubbock, TX - there's
one in Los Angeles as you can see on the web site. If a Faire is coming
to your area, why not sponsor a ham radio exhibit? The DIY community is

a motivated, interested population who would be very interested in ham radio!

Sky and Telescope magazine recently noted the passing of Norman Edmund <http://skypub.com/normanedmund>, founder of Edmund Scientific. During my (and I suspect other's) early days in ham radio, the Edmund Scientific catalog with all of its lenses and magnets was nearly as well-thumbed as those from Fair Radio Sales, Burstein-Applebee, Allied Electronics, to name a few. Edmund Scientific <http://www.scientificsonline.com/> is still busily stimulating young minds although their product line has a much broader focus these days, so to speak.

Thanks to Mark K6UFO, I just completed reading The Sun Kings <http://www.amazon.com/The-Sun-Kings-Unexpected-Carrington/dp/0691141266/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1332862949&sr=8-1>
by Stuart Clark. It's a very well-written history of how sunspots were discovered to be linked to geomagnetic disturbances here on Earth through the actions of solar flares. This was heady stuff in the days before the electron was even known to exist! The book begins with a recounting of the October 2003 flares, one of which occurred during CQ WW SSB when I was on the air - it was a memorable experience.

No, not an April Fool's article - Cambridge University researchers have figured out how to "unprint <http://www.cam.ac.uk/research/news/use-a-laser-save-a-tree/>" laser-printed documents by using - not surprisingly - a laser to vaporize the toner. No word on what happens to said vaporized toner but the process doesn't seem to hurt the paper.

IEEE Antennas and Propagation Magazine features a regular historical column and the Dec 2011 issue's was particularly good - "The Father of Radio: A Brief Chronology of the Origin and development of Wireless Communications <http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/freeabs_all.jsp?isnumber=6157696&arnumber=6157716>". While most radio histories look back no farther than Maxwell, this paper takes the story all the way back to 1785 when Coulomb's experiments with static electricity. IEEE members may be able to access this paper directly and others can request it through their local library.

Hank N8XX checks in with the news that "DL8WAA has created a free software application called LM <http://contestsoftware.com/e/home.htm> that makes it very easy and fast to type in a paper log and convert it into a Cabrillo file that can be mailed to the log robot. The LM software can also read ADIF files and convert them to Cabrillo format."

Web Site of the Week - Colossus was the world's first electronic, programmable computer, built to decipher encrypted messages during World War II. England's National Museum of Computing is rebuilding Colossus <http://www.elektor.com/news/play-a-part-in-history-sponsor-a-valve.2078243.lynkx?utm_sour

ce=UK&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=news>
and needs sponsors to help fund the project. Would you like to sponsor
a "valve"? (British jargon for vacuum tube) See if you can find the
Contest Update on the sponsorship page - I think I funded one cathode.

WORD TO THE WISE

Social climber - a helper that talks incessantly while on the tower.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

If you are of an age when just the word "mimeo" evokes certain aromas,
you will recognize all the sounds in this article about "tech sounds
<http://www.itworld.com/business/260490/20-iconic-tech-sounds-next-generation-wont-know>"
that have vanished but are still around as sound clips here and there.
That one lost sound is that of manually tuning an AM radio through the
band says a lot about why people don't "get" radio they way they used
to. How many hams got their first glimmer of DX Goodness listening for
thosea fluttery AM signal after sunset?

The Northern California Contest Club (NCCC) held it's annual awards
dinner on March 12th and handed out a lot of recognition! This online
album of photos
<https://picasaweb.google.com/rawilson/2012NCCCAwardsDinner?authuser=0&feat=directlink>
by Bob N6TV captured a lot of familiar call signs.

The Contest University <http://www.contestuniversity.com> travels
around the world and the most recent campus appeared in Italy as shown
by this collection of photographs
<http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/showthread.php?t=13805>. (Thanks,
Tim K3LR)

When your gift is misunderstood <http://www.wimp.com/dadipad> there are
usually some interesting moments. (Thanks, Trey N5KO)

>From the "We Can Dream" department come these photographs
<http://www.cqdx.ru/ham/ham_radio/alliss-module-the-largest-fully-rotatable-sw-antennas-in
-the-world-by-5n7q/>
of the world's largest fully rotatable shortwave antenna in the world.
If you've wondered why 5N7Q is so loud, you might be able to find out
here.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The PDF version of Initial Results
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> for the 2011 ARRL
November Phone Sweepstakes has been posted. An expanded writeup with a
searchable online database and the Log-checking Reports will be made
available sometime in early May. Sweepstakes pins have all been shipped
and Clean Sweep mugs should ship in early April. The web version of the
ARRL's 2011 EME Contest by Jeremy W7EME is also online. (Thanks ARRL
Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

How is activity holding up in Sweepstakes
<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>? Here are the submitted log totals

for the past three years:

YEAR CW PHONE
2007 1261 1571
2008 1420 1871
2009 1553 2047
2010 1464 1783
2011 1404 1826
That's a ~10% increase for CW and ~14% increase for Phone. In all ARRL contests, submitted logs are up by ~19% over the same period.

Please upload your ARRL DX CW and Phone contest pictures and stories to the ARRL Soapbox <http://www.arrl.org/soapbox> web page! This is a great time to do it while the weekends are still fresh in your mind - and you can still find the photos on your hard drive. The results authors (N4YDU for CW and N0AX for Phone) can use your material to add color to the writeups. Regional authors for the Phone version can really make good use of these interesting local and regional stories!

Congratulations to the Potomac Valley Radio Club <http://www.pvrc.org> for a third-straight Unlimited Sweepstakes Gavel with nearly 300 logs. Participation is crucial - the NCCC and the SMC have also grabbed some gavels with a big turnout strategy. Plus - it's a heckuva lotta fun, expecially for new contesters who can definitely make a contribution to their clubs!

Preliminary results for the recent North American RTTY Sprint are posted <http://ncjweb.com/> on the National Contest Journal website and the final results article will be in the May/June issue. LCRs (Log Check Reports) can be requested from NA RTTY Sprint Manager, Ed W0YK <rttysprintmgr@ncjweb.com> to understand how your raw score was modified by log checking and how to improve your technique for the next contest!

Much is made of high-rate operation and that set George W2VJN to musing about rates in prior years. "In the mid to late 60s I had a rate meter in the center console of my station. It incremented each time I sent the QSL msg. The full scale was based on 50 QSOs/hr and it reset to zero every 15 minutes...it was a good incentive to watch while operating. Later, I redesigned it to go to 100." These were the days when 40 QSOs was a great hour!

OPERATING TIP

Another rule reminder - as remote operating becomes easier, note that there are specific rules about using remote stations for ARRL, CQ, and other contests. Read those rules! If you have questions about what is and is not allowed, contact the sponsor of the contest for clarification.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Climbing season is almost upon us and little is more aggravating aloft
than sore feet. Popular Mechanics recently reviewed eight brands of
work boots
<http://www.popularmechanics.com/home/reviews/news/work-boots-to-kick-every-job-in-the-tee
th?click=main_sr>
for different jobs. While none of the reviewed models has a steel shank
- very useful for standing on tower rungs for hours - the companies
represented here have a wide variety of boots that may provide a "best
fit" to your preferences.

Online Tutorial Department

- Ohm's law and basic circuit operation is relatively straightforward
from the electronic point of view but magnetic circuits are much less
familiar. This online tutorial about magnetic circuits
<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/ubm/edn_20120315/#/24> by Kevin Craig,
PhD will help explain some of the terms and how they relate to more
familiar electronic analogs.
- This great three-part series on impedance matching was published by
Lou Frenzel W5LEF in Electronic Design magazine. Part 1
<http://electronicdesign.com/article/communications/Back-To-Basics-Impedance-Matching-101-
63946>,
Part 2
<http://electronicdesign.com/article/communications/back-to-basics-impedance-matching-part
-2>,
Part 3
<http://electronicdesign.com/content/tabid/57/catpath/communications/topic/back-to-basics-
impedance-matching-part-3-73564>.
(Thanks, Al AB2ZY)
- All you ever wanted to know about coordinate systems
<http://www4.wittenberg.edu/maxwell/csr.html> is explained in this
tutorial by Associate Professor Dan Fleisch of Wittenberg University
- The "2012 Annual Reference Guide" from In Compliance magazine has an
informative tutorial
<http://www.incompliancemag.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=739:using-fer
rites-to-suppress-emi&catid=26:design&Itemid=130>
entitled "Using Ferrites to Suppress EMI". More interesting material
for your interference toolbox! (Thanks, Dave K1FK)

Mike W0BTU has created an informative web page on Beverage antennas
<http://www.w0btu.com/Beverage_antennas.html> - especially how to build
and control a two-wire Beverage. Everything from binocular-core
transformers to an explanation of how to use a pulley to equalize
tension on parallel wires is covered here.

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<http://www.avertedimagination.com/>

Solar activity may have been "spotty" lately but when a big spot
group like 1429 comes roaring around the limb of the Sun, it's fun to
watch them. Solar watcher Cliff Shuttlewood describes this "plant pot"
solar telescope <http://www.britastro.org/iandi/shuttlewood.htm> that
can be made with a prism, eyepiece, and a little shop work. Solarscope

kits <http://solarscope.com/> are also selling briskly these days.

What watts are inside a 40-watt LED bulb? You can find out from this EDN "teardown <http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/ubm/edn_20120315/#/22>" of a typical LED bulb.

Another "Oh, By The Way" from Glenn K6NA about using Nyloc nuts - "Always have a few regular hex-nuts in your shirt pocket, so when the antenna comes up to you on the tower you can quickly spin on a couple of regular nuts to hold things together. Then you can relax and add all the Nylocs to finish it off. If using stainless steel hardware, you must use some anti-seize on the threads... but now you have a problem. The compound should be confined to just the seating area where the Nyloc nut will reside (i.e. below the nylon). The controlled application on the male thread should be done with a very small acid-brush so the nylon part of the nut will not reach the anti-seize. If you later back-off the nut, it will drag a little anti-seize up the entire thread (good, during removal). Ideally a new Nyloc nut should replace the old one, after cleaning the bolt-threads first." Glenn also recommends the Nuts, Bolts, Fasteners and Plumbing Handbook by Carroll Smith.

Steve K1SG recommends the Brother P-Touch Label Printer for equipment labeling. "You can connect it to your computer via a USB port, change font and size, print onto either white or clear substrate, and all the letters come out in nice, straight lines. After applying the labels to a panel, I give them a couple of light coats of Krylon for protection." Steve Watkins recommends the decal kits <http://www.pulsarprofx.com/decalpro/> from Pulsar Professional.

Lynn N7CFO noted this interesting soldering aid from Schmartboard <http://www.schmartboard.com/index.asp?page=schmartsolder> that helps out with learning to solder closely-spaced leads. While it's pricey, it may be a good way to help get started until you develop the skill. In fact, the small loop technique used by the kit can be used with small-diameter solder off a spool, as well.

If you are concerned about animals stepping into holes for conduit or other vertical rods and tubes, Bob W7LR describes "metal mushrooms" made from farm castoffs that cover his winter-time Beverage support pipes. "The covers are made of farm harrow disks with a metal rod welded on to go down into antenna support pipes. The pipes stick up a bit and so the cover keeps the horses from tripping on the pipes, and are sturdy enough if they walk on them."

Trying to figure out where to place your tower? Debby N7FL has solved her problem, "I find it handy to have my tower close to the house so when elements blow off the beam in high winds, the gutter catches them."

Technical Web Site of the Week - Tracking down a knotty sub-harmonic problem

<http://wiki.k1ttt.net/%28S%28ity0gz3hln02dbv2bcbtryig%29%29/2008%20Maintenance%20and%20Upgrade%20Blog.ashx#daiwameter>
led to David K1TTT discovering unbypassed diodes and poor shielding techniques in a Daiwa power meter's 12-volt power input circuit. RF picked up by the power cord was rectified and mixed by the diodes, generating all manner of products. A single 0.01 uF capacitor at the connector solved the problem. This reinforces the need to bypass diodes and rectifiers connected unfiltered to external leads of any sort in order to prevent creating your own RFI. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

==> CONVERSATION

With the annual tomfoolery festival at hand, what better than a bit of lyrical licentiousness from L1AR?

"A Call From A Two"

Cashed in from Johnny's "A Boy Named Sue <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_rleFAS_B04>" by Dr Beldar

My Elmer left town in seventy three
And he didn't leave much behind for me
Just a beat-up ol' rig and an case of gassy tubes.
Now, I don't blame him cause he run and hid
But the meanest thing that he ever did
Was before he left, changed my call to a two!

Well, he must o' thought that was quite a joke
And it got a lot of laughs from a' lot of folk,
It seems I had to fight each pileup through.
Some four would giggle and I'd get red
And some five would laugh and I'd smack my head,
I tell ya, life ain't easy if your call's a two.

Well, I General'ed quick and I Extra'd mean,
My fist got crisp and my ears got keen,
I'd roam from band to band with maxed-out gain.
But I made a vow on my amplifiers
That I'd put mobile rigs in all my cars
And find that lid who gave me that radio name.

Well, down on 75 in mid-July
And I just tuned up and my log was dry,
I thought I'd go and call a short CQ.
>From a one by three all buckshot 'n mud,
There came a signal that chilled my blood
>From the dirty, mangy dog who made me a two.

Well, I knew that voice was my Elmer man
>From old reel-to-reels I'd kept on hand
And I knew that I could just go and QSY.
He was broad and raw and sounded old,
But I called him back as my blood ran cold

And I said: "My call's a two! How do you do!
Now you're gonna die!!"

Well, I punched up the gain with extra highs
And he started to fade but to my surprise,
He disabled ALC and blasted right into my ear.
But I turned up my drive to red LEDs
And we clobbered a net that was runnin' up three
Yellin' and a' cussin' in the crud like a couple CB'ers.

I tell ya, I've worked bigger lids
But not since you and I were kids
He splattered like a fool, he warn't no audiophile.
I heard him laugh and then I heard him cuss,
He went for his key but I used mine first,
He sent a shaky AS and I knew he smiled.

And he sent: "Son, this band is rough
And if a ham's gonna work it, they gotta be tough
And I knew I wouldn't be there to help ya along.
So I got ya that call and I moved my hide
To a quiet QTH with no RFI
And it's the number two helped to make you strong."

He sent: "Now you just fought one hell of a fight
And I know you hate me, and you got the right
To not send a QSL, I wouldn't blame you if you do.
But ya ought to thank me, before I die,
For the contacts in ya log made you Honor Roll high
Cause I'm the son-of-a-lid that got you that two."

I got all choked up over what he'd done,
And I called him Elmer, and he called me his son,
And I came away with a different point of view.
And I think about him, now and then,
Every time I call and every time I win,
And if I Elmer anyone, I think I'm gonna get 'em
An eight or six! Anything but a two! I still hate that call!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the
sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and
other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

FOC QSO Party--CW, from Mar 31, 0000Z to Mar 31, 2359Z. Bands (MHz):
1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RST, name, FOC nr if member. Logs due: 7 days.

Rules <http://www.g4foc.org/>

Lighthouse Spring Lites QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Mar 31, 0001Z to Apr 8, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: ARLHS number or serial, name, S/P/C. Logs due: 12 days. Rules <http://arlhs.com/>

MO QSO Party--Phone, CW, from Mar 31, 1800Z to Apr 1, 0500Z and Apr 1, 1800Z to Apr 1, 2359Z, multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW 1.820 and 40 kHz from band edge; Phone--1.880, 3.825, 7.220, 14.250, 21.380, 28.350. Exchange: RS(T), serial, MO county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 1. Rules <http://www.w0ma.org/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Apr 3, 0200Z to Apr 3, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone, CW, from Apr 3, 1600Z to Apr 3, 1659Z, first through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50,144, Frequencies: Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from Apr 6, 0200Z to Apr 6, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

Montana QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 7, 0000Z to Apr 8, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432, Frequencies: CW-1.81, 3.54, 7.035, 14,04, 21.05, 28.05 SSB - 1.845, 3.810, 7.244, 14.262, 21.365, 28.325. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or MT county. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.fvarc.org/>

LZ Open 40 Meter Contest--CW, from Apr 7, 0400Z to Apr 7, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: 6-digit serial and serial from previous QSO. Logs due: 10 days. Rules <http://www.lzopen.com/>

Japan International DX Contest--CW, from Apr 15, 0700Z to Apr 16, 1300Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, JA prefecture or CQ Zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://jidx.org/>

PODXS 31 Flavors Contest--Digital, from Apr 7, 12 Noon to Apr 7, 6 PM. Bands (MHz): 14. Frequencies: 14.070-14.080. Exchange: S/P/C and name or 070 number. Logs due: May 9. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party--CW, from Apr 7, 1200Z to Apr 8, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: QRP calling frequencies. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, power or QRP ARCI number. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

SP DX Contest--Phone, CW, from Apr 7, 1500Z to Apr 8, 1500Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or SP province. Logs due: Apr 30. Rules <http://www.spdxcontest.info/>

EA RTTY Contest--Digital, from Apr 7, 1600Z to Apr 8, 1600Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial or EA province. Logs due: Apr 21. Rules <http://www.ure.es/contest>

Low Power Spring Sprint--CW, from Apr 9, 1400Z to Apr 9, 2000Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, grid square, category. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://alexanderkorda@hotmail.com/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone, CW, from Mar 31, 0000Z to Apr 1, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 144, 10G+. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

FOC QSO Party--CW, from Mar 31, 0000Z to Mar 31, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RST, name, FOC nr if member. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.g4foc.org/>

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VHF Spring Sprints--Phone, CW, Digital, from Apr 9, 7 PM to Apr 9, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 144. Exchange: Grid square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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- March 27 - REF Contest, SSB
<http://concours.ref-union.org/reglements/actuels/reg_cdfhf_fr.pdf>
- March 28 - CQC Winter QSO Sprint
<http://www.cqc.org/contests/winter12.htm>
- March 29 - Bucharest Contest
<http://bucuresti.ynos.ro/cb/index.php/en/>
- March 29 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>
- March 30 - OMISS QSO Party
<http://www.omiss.net/Facelift/qsoparty.php>
- March 31 - CQ 160-Meter Contest, SSB
<http://cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_ww_160_meter_contest/cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules/2012_cq_ww_160_meter_contest_rules.pdf>
- March 31 - New Hampshire QSO Party
<http://www.w1wqm.org/nhqso/NEW_HAMPSHIRE_QSO_PARTY_RULES.pdf>
- March 31 - Mississippi QSO Party

<http://www.arrlmiss.org/2012_-_MSQP_Rules.pdf>
- March 31 - British Columbia QSO Party
<http://orcadxcc.org/bcqp_rules.html>
- March 31 - EA PSK63 Contest
<http://www.ure.es/contest/428-ea-psk31-contest-english-version.html>
- March 31 - AGCW QRP Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests_and_CW-activities:QRP-Contest>
- March 31 - AGCW YL-CW Party
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests_and_CW-activities:YL-CW-Party>
- March 31 - 10-10 Int. Mobile Contest
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSO%20Party%20Rules.pdf>
- April 1 - North Carolina QSO Party
<http://www.w4nc.com/qso_party_2012.htm>
- April 1 - Russian DX Contest
<http://www.rdxc.org/asp/pages/rulesg.asp>
- April 1 - UBA Spring Contest, 6m
<http://www.uba.be/hf/contest-rules/spring-contest>
- April 2 - AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests_and_CW-activities:VHF-UHF_Contest>
- April 2 - SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- April 3 - ARRL Inter. DX Contest, SSB <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-dx>
- April 5 - Open Ukraine RTTY Championship
<http://uarl.com.ua/openrtty/2012/rtty2012e.txt>
- April 8 - AWA John Rollins Memorial DX Contest
<http://www.antiquewireless.org/hamevents2010.htm>
- April 8 - UBA Spring Contest, 2m
<http://www.uba.be/hf/contest-rules/spring-contest>
- April 10 - Idaho QSO Party <http://idahoarrl.info/qsoparty/rules.htm>

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422. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 28 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 11:09:20 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9d0d862c8b04bc4ba2e7@google.com>
Source record: 3439
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Amateur Radio Stamp for Luxembourg

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AYs7yYzYPv0/amateur_radio_stamp_for_luxembourg.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Réseau Luxembourgeois des Amateurs d'Ondes Courtes (RL) - Luxembourg's IARU (International Amateur Radio Union) member-society - is celebrating its 75th anniversary

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ARISS Mentor Introduction at Dayton 2012

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LT3UuRg81EU/ariss_mentor_introduction_at_dayton_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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TAMSAT High Altitude Balloon video

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Videos have been released by the Thailand Amateur Satellite group TAMSAT showing their successful amateur radio balloon flight call sign HS1JAN-11 on March 18

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Radio ham 'all at sea'

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Captain Yuri Bodrov, UT1FG/MM, who has been so active on the birds, may be off the air for a short time

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SA licence fees due now

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South Africa's regulator, ICASA, has started mailing-out amateur radio
license renewal notices

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Amateur Radio Foundation Exam in Nottingham

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Sherwood Amateur Radio Club are holding an exam for the Foundation Licence
and have spaces available for April 16 at 1800 hrs

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Special Event Stations for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BOmXIEmsJA0/london_2012_olympic_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Some special event call-signs will be activated to celebrate the London
2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L (Two Oscar One Two Lima) from
London, England and 2O12W (Two Oscar One Two Wales) from Barry, Wales

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AMSAT-NA Board of Directors nominations

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It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the
AMSAT-NA Board of Directors

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Radio hams to visit 'Easy Elsie'

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Richard, SM2TOS, and some other radio amateurs, using the callsign SG2SNF,
will make an expedition to the Lancaster bomber, which crashed at Porjus
(WW Loc. JP97UA) in Sweden on 29 October 1944

423. HOT LATEST UPDATED VIDEOS AND SEXY ACTRESES PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 14:43:10 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <990f7f90-86d7-40ce-bf4a-44e71e618f73@vy8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3440

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html

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424. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 28 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 16:23:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ee30792d204bc5008bb@google.com>
Source record: 3441
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Welsh Politician to Visit Amateur Radio Station

Posted: 26 Mar 2012 11:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339737-Welsh-Politician-to-Visit-Amateur-Radio-Station&goto=newpost

Conservative North Wales Assembly Member, Mark Isherwood has been invited by MW1CFN to better understand modern amateur radio by visiting a welsh station.

Mr. Isherwood readily accepted the invitation, whereby it is hoped a positive image of our hobby can be put forward.

mark-isherwood.jpg

John Rowlands, MW1CFN says "Mark Isherwood is a very hard working politician and takes a genuine interest in the activities within his area. He is enthusiastic to find out more about a hobby that is not always as well-presented in the public imagination as it could be."

Mr. Rowlands continues "In particular, it is clear that permitted development rights within the planning system, despite some lobbying by the RSGB, have yet to accommodate the needs of the amateur community in the UK, despite the widespread popularity of the hobby. I hope Mr. Isherwood's visit will mark the beginning of a process to clarify and improve planning law for amateurs throughout the UK.

Mr. Isherwood's visit is currently being arranged with his office, and likely to take place in a few weeks' time.

Attached Images

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(26.4 KB)

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ANS-085 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339640-ANS-085-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...012/Dayton.php for the latest AMSAT at Dayton news and developments.In this edition:

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AMSAT-NA Board of Directors Nominations

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. A valid nomination requires either one current Member Society, or five current individual members in good standing, to nominate an AMSAT-NA member for the position.

Three directors have terms expiring this year: Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The three nominees receiving the highest number of votes will be seated as regular board members with two year terms. The two nominees receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternates for one year.

Written nominations, consisting of names, calls and individual signatures, should be mailed to: AMSAT-NA, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. They must be received no later than June 15th. No other action is required.

Nominations may also be made by electronic means including e-mail, FAX, or electronic image of a petition. Electronic petitions should be sent to MARTHA@AMSAT.ORG or faxed to 301-608-3410, and also must be received by June 15th. If using any electronic submission, there is a second, verifying step:

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WITHOUT THIS SECOND, WRITTEN VERIFICATION ARE NOT VALID UNDER THE EXISTING AMSAT-NA BYLAWS. A verifying traditional written petition MUST be received at the AMSAT-NA office at the above address within 7 days following the close of nominations.[ANS Thanks AMSAT Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

ARISS Mentor Introduction at Dayton 2012

AMSAT and ARRL are teaming up during the 2012 Hamvention to recruit new ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) mentors. Friday and Saturday (May 18 & 19) at 4pm in the ARRL stage area AMSAT will explain the need for additional ARISS mentors and the requirements and responsibilities needed to help provide a reliable conversation between astronauts and selected schools or groups. We encourage anyone interested in helping make future school contacts with the ISS successful to please attend.

[ANS Thanks the ARISS Team for the above information]

NASA'S GRAIL MOONKAM Returns First Student-selected Lunar Images

WASHINGTON -- One of two NASA spacecraft orbiting the moon has beamed back the first student-requested pictures of the lunar surface from its onboard camera. Fourth grade students from the Emily Dickinson Elementary School in Bozeman, Mont., received the honor of making the first image selections by winning a nationwide competition to rename the two spacecraft.

The image was taken by the MoonKam, or Moon Knowledge Acquired by Middle school students. Previously named Gravity Recovery And Interior Laboratory (GRAIL) A and B, the twin spacecraft are now called Ebb and Flow. Both washing-machine-sized orbiters carry a small MoonKAM camera. Over 60 student-requested images were taken aboard the Ebb spacecraft from March 15-17 and downlinked to Earth on March 20.

"MoonKAM is based on the premise that if your average picture is worth a thousand words, then a picture from lunar orbit may be worth a classroom full of engineering and science degrees," said Maria Zuber, GRAIL mission

principal investigator from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Mass. "Through MoonKAM, we have an opportunity to reach out to the next generation of scientists and engineers. It is great to see things off to such a positive start."

GRAIL is NASA's first planetary mission to carry instruments fully dedicated to education and public outreach. Students will select target areas on the lunar surface and request images to study from the GRAIL MoonKAM Mission Operations Center in San Diego.

The MoonKAM program is led by Sally Ride, America's first woman in space, and her team at Sally Ride Science in collaboration with undergraduate students at the University of California in San Diego. More than 2,700 schools spanning 52 countries are using the MoonKAM cameras.

"What might seem like just a cool activity for these kids may very well have a profound impact on their futures," Ride said. "The students really are excited about MoonKAM, and that translates into an excitement about science and engineering."

Launched in September 2011, Ebb and Flow will answer longstanding questions about the moon and give scientists a better understanding of how Earth and other rocky planets in the solar system formed.

NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., manages the GRAIL mission for NASA's Science Mission Directorate in Washington. GRAIL is part of the Discovery Program managed at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala. Lockheed Martin Space Systems in Denver built the spacecraft.

To view the student-requested images, visit: http://images.moonkam.ucsd.edu

For more information about MoonKAM, visit: https://moonkam.ucsd.edu

For more information about GRAIL, visit: http://www.nasa.gov/grail

[ANS thanks NASA and Michael Williams, K9QHO for the above information]

Satellite Operation Planned for UK Olympic Special Event Station

This week John Warburton, G4IRN announced The Radio Society of Great Britain will activate two special event callsigns to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games:

2O12L (Two Oscar One Two Lima) from London, England2O12W (Two Oscar One Two Wales) from Barry, Wales

The London station, 2012L will be active through the duration of the Games, located at the historic Eltham Palace, south-east London on 160m-2m, all modes. More information on the web site: http://www.2O12L.com

The Welsh station 2O12W will also be active on all bands from 160m to 23cms and all modes including SSTV and satellite from Whitmore Bay, Barry Island, Vale of Glamorgan, Wales. More information on web site: http://www.2O12W.com.

2012L and 2012W go on the air on 27th July 2012.

[ANS thanks The Radio Society of Great Britain and Southgate News for the above information]

Masat-1 Experiment Required Silent Mode for a Short Period of Time

Masat-1 (MO-72) recently has been switched to a 'silent mode' on March 16, March 21, and March 22 to perform long term, sensitive electromagnetic measurements which require the switching off the satellite's transmitter. In silent mode, all RF transmission from the satellite is turned off, while the satellite receiver makes the required measurements. After these experiments regular telemetry transmission resumed operation.

MO-72 Call sign: HA5MASAT

TX frequency: 437.345 MHz

Modulation: CW (120 char/min.), 2-GFSK (625 and 1250 bit/s) TX

power: 100 and 400 mW

Soundcard software to capture and decode the GFSK telemetry can be downloaded from: http://cubesat.bme.hu/en/radioamatoroknek/ The latest keplerian elements are also available on this site.

[ANS thanks the Masat-1 Team and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

HAMSAT VO-52 User Reports Requested

AMSAT-India Secretary Nitin, VU3TYG says the user feedback form (in Word format) requested by VO-52 controllers has been posted on the web for download from: http://www.amsatindia.org/reports/VO-52-Feedback.doc

HAMSAT VO-52 controllers at ISRO thanked amateur radio operators for the reports received after VO-52 was reactived with the Dutch Transponder. They are in the process of documenting anomaly analysis and Transponder 2 Switch ON' report containing the feedback from users.

Reports are requested to be sent in the Word format as attachments to e-mail sent to: tprangan@istrac.org and copied to wmy@isac.gov.in.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-India Secretary Nitin, VU3TYG and Mani, VU2WMY at India ISRO Satellite Centre for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

AMSAT to facilitate student satellite contacts at Dayton. All students attending the 2012 Dayton Hamvention are encouraged to come by the Satellite Demonstration Area just outside of the Ball Arena entrance and make a contact using the amateur satellites. There will be AMSAT volunteers there to explain how to make the contacts and during actual satellite passes will try to get as many students as possible to complete contacts. There are lists of satellite pass times in the satellite demonstration area and at the AMSAT booth (BA444-BA449). (Gould, WA4SXM)
NASA released a new narrated animation depicting the planned 2014 launch of

the Orion spacecraft on the Exploration Flight Test-1 (EFT-1) mission to a 3600 mile altitude orbit:http://tinyurl.com/OrionOrbitTest (YouTube) Full article at: http://tinyurl.com/OrionArticle (UniverseToday)
Paul, 2E1EUB says his next mobile satellite operations as 2M1EUB from his van will be starting March 24 for 7 days from the east coast of Scotland. Main operations are planned for AO-7 Mode A/B and other satellites as available. Paul will post his latest information on amsat-bb and also on the lookup at QRZ.com for 2M1EUB.
The Project Blue Horizon 6 high-altitude transatlantic balloon flight took off on Friday, March 23 at 2300 EST (0300 Saturday UT) from Owego, NY transmitting on 7.1023 and 10.1466 MHz CW with the N2XE call sign and 144.390 MHz FM APRS using the KD2AUD call sign. Please send reports via e-mail to pbh18.data@gmail.com or manually enter received data points at http://www.projectbluehorizon.com/ More information is available on their web page.
Congratulations to Rick Walter, WB3CSY, for earning VUCC Satellite certificate #228 with 165 confirmed grids. Rick wrote, "I would like to thank the many satellite operators who continually take time to stop during their travels and give us rare grids. It would be much more difficult to obtain this prestigious award without their help."
The next Hudson Valley Satcom Net is Thursday March 29, 8:00PM EDT (UTC-4) on the 146.97 MHz Mt. Beacon ARC Repeater and also on the N2EYH-L Echolink Node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org and http://www.wr2abb.org/ (Stu, WA2BSS)
Watch the BBC video of UKube-1, planned to launch in 2013: http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotlan...-west-17439236 UKube-1 will carry a set of AMSAT-UK FUNcube boards that will provide a 435/145 MHz linear transponder for SSB/CW amateur radio communications. See also: http://www.uk.amsat.org/5933
John, K8YSE reported that Yuri, UT1FG/MM, who has been so active on the birds may be off the air for a short time. He is navigating the St. Lawrence Seaway and has been too busy to operate on the satellites. There are many inspection requirements for a ship coming into the Great Lakes and his duties are such that he does not have much free time. He will be in Montreal shortly. All of his equipment is working fine. Yuri will be operating as time permits.
The Winter 2012 TAPR Packet Status Register Journal now available for download: http://www.tapr.org/psr/psr117.pdf. You can download previous editions from http://www.tapr.org/psr.html. This quarterly Journal is full of Technical, Non-Technical and User Digital information and articles.
Watch a video of time lapse images from the ISS showing how stars appear from space: http://vimeo.com/ajrclips/starsfromspace. A jaw dropping flight of the ISS over the aurora can be viewed at: http://tinyurl.com/AuroraGreatLakes
USAF and Lockheed have Satellite Problems Too: http://tinyurl.com/milsat-rescue At least their problems had a happy ending.
New Echolink Net. Saturday evenings at 8pm Eastern. The NET is titled "SATCHAT". Check in at the AMSAT Conference on Echolink and join the conversations about satellites, ask questions and hear what other people in the country are doing for satellite activity. It is hosted by Vince Waelti,

K9TSU. Stop by and add your experiences to the group.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

Symposium 2012 Monday Trip to the Kennedy Space Center

Those attending the 2012 AMSAT Symposium and interested in a Monday Trip (Oct 29) to the Kennedy Space Center please contact Martha via email: martha at amsat.org.

The trip will include a round trip bus from the hotel and entrance to the Space Center. The cost will be about $100. This is a wonderful experience for those that haven't been and for those that have been multiple times. We need to get an idea of how many will participate to select the correct bus.

[ANS Thanks Gould, WA4SXM for the above information]

New Feature For SatPC32 Adjusts Doppler From Satellite Point of View

Erich, DK1TB has added a new feature into SatPC32 V12.8b which will allow adjustment for doppler shift between two separate stations so each will appear to be on the same frequency. From a ground station point of view each station will see a different doppler shift unless they are located physically near each other. What is desired is that both stations will appear on the same frequency from the satellite receiver's point of view.

The whole idea of doppler correction is to be at a constant frequency within the satellite receiver passband. To do that you have to adjust your uplink frequency constantly. And you have to adjust your downlink frequency to continue to hear yourself or someone else using full doppler correction.

Erich has now added the option of seeing the frequency you are on at the satellite receiver. This is a common frame of reference so if you tell someone you'll be on 435.845 at the satellite, they can be on that same frequency even though your terrestrial dial frequencies will be much different. Just adjust your receiver or use the up/down buttons in SatPC32 to set your frequency shown in the "Sat" window. That frequency will remain constant as your uplink and downlink are controlled by SatPC32.

Staying at a constant frequency at the satellite allows many stations to share the bird without drifting into each other. And being able to know exactly where you are in the passband without doing the calculation in your head gives you more time to concentrate on making a successful QSO.

This feature is implemented by loading a patch file for SatPC32, V12.8b which can be found in the "downloads" link at: http://www.dk1tb.de - Scroll down to Section 7, Patches.

Erich, DK1TB donates the proceeds from the sale of SatPC32 to AMSAT. When you purchase this software you are helping AMSAT. You can download the software from the SatPC32 website at: http://www.dk1tb.de/ A CD-ROM with the software is available from the AMSAT Store: http://www.amsat-na.com/store/item.php?id=100017 To activate the downloaded version of the program, you can purchase a registration code via the AMSAT

online store or by calling the AMSAT office. See:
http://www.amsat-na.com/store/item.php?id=100020

[ANS thanks John Papay, K8YSE for the above information]

(ARISS) Status Report March 19, 2012

1. Upcoming School Contacts

Centre de Formation de la Base Airienne de Payerne, Switzerland had an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Wednesday, March 21 at 08:39 UTC. The contact was held in the museum "Clin d'Ailes", located on the Payerne Swiss Airforce Base that has on display military aeronautics exhibits from the second half of the 20th century. Mr. Claude Nicollier, HB9CN, who is the first Swiss astronaut and president of the Museum Foundation, attended the event. The Clin d'Ailes Swiss Air Force Museum Ham Radio Club, holding callsigns HB4FR and HB9SPACE, set up its radio for the contact. Students launched a stratospheric balloon equipped with video and photo cameras and sensors and beacons two weeks prior to the event. After the ARISS contact, they presented the videos, photos and the analysis of the recorded sensor data.

Salem Elementary School in Apex, North conducted an ARISS contact on Wednesday, March 21 at 14:09 UTC via station VK5ZAI in Australia. This contact is part of a comprehensive education plan which will pique students' interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

2. Liberty Junior High Radios Don Pettit on ISS

Students attending Liberty Junior High School in Burbank, Illinois experienced a very successful Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Wednesday, March 14. Over 800 students, teachers and guests were present as students put their questions to astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT on ISS. The ARISS contact highlighted the school's comprehensive education plan covering Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) subject matter. Other activities students participated in included investigating thermal properties of different materials, building models of the ISS and exploring the cast distances of space and the effect of distance and radio waves.

3. Belgium Contact Successful

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held on Friday, March 16 between Middenschool de Regenboog Bree in Bree, Belgium and on-orbit astronaut Andri Kuipers, PI9ISS. A newly licensed 14 year girl operated the radio during the event while students had all 15 of their prepared questions answered. The contact was carried out as part of a curriculum covering the micro-gravity environment, history of manned spaceflight, commercial spaceflight and the construction of the ISS.

4. Leone Acciaiuoli Students Question ISS Astronaut

On Sunday, March 18, Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX fielded ten questions from youth attending the Istituto Tecnologico Statale Trasporti e Logistica "Leone

Acciaiuoli" in Ortona, Italy via an ARISS contact. Approximately 200 people were in attendance, including representatives from two television stations. AMSAT-Italia also provided coverage, streaming video on the Internet. The contact complemented science courses taught at the school such as Navigation, Astronomy, Mathematics, Physics and Satellite Communications and was a featured activity during the International Day of Planetaria.

5. ARISS-U.S. Schools Selected

The NASA Teaching From Space office received 27 U.S. proposals for ARISS contacts that will be scheduled during the second half of this year. The U.S. Selection Committee reviewed the proposals and selected 18 schools for these contacts. The schools will be notified of their status earlythis week.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Dee Interdonato, NB2F

nb2f at amsat dot org

425. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 28 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 16:49:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301b66f18d82ad04bc503980@google.com>
Source record: 3442
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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AWARD "SARDINIA IN THE WORLD" GRSNM www.grsnm.jimdo.com

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 03:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339857-AWARD-quot-SARDINIA-IN-THE-WORLD-quot-GRSNM-www-grsnm-jimdo-com&goto=newpost

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New award Sardinia in the world, info [URL="http://www.grsnm.jimdo.com"]

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REGOLAMENTO IN INGLESE.GIF

Award Manager: IZ3KVD

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REGOLAMENTO IN INGLESE.GIF
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Special Event Station PH4RTM/WHE

Posted: 27 Mar 2012 01:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339799-Special-Event-Station-PH4RTM-WHE&goto=newpost

In Venlo will be the World Horticultural Expo, THE FLORIADE .Check this web site http://www.floriade.com/ ,

For this occasion there will be a group off operators active on all Bands
in all mode`s, with the Call PH4RTM/WHE., from 05-13 April 2012 .

QSL will be returned 100% via the Bureau . Via PH4RTM , Wim.

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D64K Comoros Is. AF-007

Posted: 27 Mar 2012 12:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339788-D64K-Comoros-Is-AF-007&goto=newpost

Hello guys, after a long and difficult organization, I can announce that we
finally arrived at 'official announcement:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/

A sincere thank you to everyone who helped us right now and will continue
to do.

Hello

Fabri

k3sqy - iw3sqy

426. MMMonVHF Newsletter No.1 / WEEK 13 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 19:51:57 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201203281941.q2SJfM64030218@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3443
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.01 - WEEK 13/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-03-28
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activities will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** DXCC: ZP; 2M EME

Greetings from Paraguay! Sadly today's operation trying for VE, VK, ZP,
and JA only gave us a few broken sequences that could be decoded.

My next dates both look good for EU and maybe for the U.S.

April 3 1930z (my moonrise) for as long as our battery holds out.

April 6 2130z (my moonrise) again for a long session.

I would prefer not to take skeds for these two dates. I will try to work
whoever has the best decode. The frequency will be 144.141 and I will
transmit first.

The weekend of April 7th and 8th is not possible for me. I hope the 3rd
and 6th will produce a lot of QSOs and a new country for many of you!

73 and hope to work you, de Steve ZP9EH
SOURCE MOON-NET

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

LATEST NEWS by Renato, I3EJ, dated 2012-03-25:

They had first QSO with I3MEK on sunday at 19.30; problems with power
line. Monday on air at moon rise on 144.

NEWS by Lucio, I3LDP, dated 2012-03-13:

Another update prior to departure for J5.
The whole team is very excited waiting for the departure.
Today visas arrived from the Consulate of Guinea Bissau.
We are preparing the equipment.
Latest tests are positive, also the home-made 5 elements
LFA antenna for 6 m works perfectly and we'll try to use it
on EME in the last days of the expedition, when the Moon conditions
will be better, with HM preamplifier and Acom 1000 PA.
We are still waiting for the 430 preamplifier, while the TX
system is ready with antenna and 700W amplifier by ITB mod. Colibri'.
144MHz are ready: antennas are OK as is the Pre by WA2ODO and 1Kw PA
by Nico of ITB mod. Colibri'.
HF are OK with 2 Kenwood 590s, antennas: 3 el. for 10/15/20 mt and Spiderbeam
(WARC frequencies), Delta Loop, Dipole for 40/80/160 mt.
We'll operate all modes on HF, in order of preference: CW, RTTY, PSK31, SSB.
A microscope for the Cumura hospital was purchased with the received donations.
The calls J52EME for EME activities and J52HF for HF and
6m (tropo and sporadic-E) are confirmed.
For more info see our website http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/ or
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/

We expect to listen to you in the pile-up from Guinea Bissau ! 73

Lucio I3LDP Team Leader Verona DX Team

Hello OM,
everything is ready for the J5 Guinea-Bissau DXpedition.
We finally received all the permits from the authorities in Bissau.
The calls J52EME for V-UHF and J52HF for HF are confirmed.
Two groups will operate simultaneously, with preference to the most
difficult communications, ie EME.
After much work we can announce that we'll be active on:
144 MHz with 2x8 xpol, preamplifier gift of WA2ODO, amplifier ITB
Colibrï¿½ 1kw.
432 MHz with 2 homemade LFA antennas 18 elements, yet to be found
preamplifier, amplifier ITB Colibrï¿½ 600w.
50 MHz, homemade LFA antenna 5 elements, amplifier ACOM 1000, homebuild
preamp MGF1302.
In the beginning was our intention to just operate 2m EME, but we have
received many requests for both 70cm and 6m, so we hope to please everyone.
In the first few days we'll be active on 144 MHz EME and HF, with some
jump on 6m Supertropo and ES. Then we'll pass on 430 and 50 MHz. We'll
try to satisfy everyone.
Just on arriving a group will start to create an internet connection
for the hospital, so we can use it too.
Frequencies:
144,130, 432.900 and 50.200. We'll call always in the even period.
Thanks for the help that you'll can give to our humanitarian/ham-radio

expedition.
Renato I3EJ we'll keep you informed during the DXpedition on our site:
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/index.htm
and email questions to: veronadxteam@ari.verona.it

See you soon from J5 !
73 de I3LDP VeronaDXteam.

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SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

** DXCC: XV; square OK10; start 2012-03-28

Hermann DL2NUD, and Peter DJ4TC will try to be active from Vietnam on EME

LATEST NEWS by Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2012-03-13:

Hermann did send the latest information about RIG QRGs and Activity Times:
144.144 MHz 17el yagi, db6nt preamp, hlv2000 beko
432.090 MHz 38el yagi, db6nt preamp, 50 W
1296.120MHz 62el yagi, db6nt preamp, 400 W
They will try to be qrv: 28.3 - 10.4 in OK10 / 12.4 - 20.4 in OK20

MAIN NEWS:

The Team plan to be qrv from 28.03. until 20.04. as XV4HP (DL2NUD) and as
3W4TC(DJ4TC).
Maybe 2 Squares will be activated: OK10 and OK20 from Island of Phuqouc on
2m 70cm und 23cm
More Infos will follow if closer the dates...

SOURCE: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS; square OK16 ; start 2012-04-01

HS0ZIL qrv from Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

I am happy to announce that there will be a next trip to Thailand around
April.

More informations you will find on the special homepage on
http://www.moonbouncing.net/ and

http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?addcom=1&id=4080

Stay tuned on these sites for further informations!!!

SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: FG; square FK96; start 2012-04-12

FG4KH back again QRV 144 MHz EME

LATEST NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated 2012-03-17:

Operation details :
Call sign : FG4KH
Rig: FT897D, LNA, SSPA 500w, 2x10Xpol DK7ZB
QRG: 144,116 MHz , if any changes due to birdies I?ll advise you
FG4KH TX always 1ST Period
If necessary, I repeat sequences 3 times but not more. If I do not
receive confirmation after 3 times, I jump to another station so you
will have to call me again.
Usaually I do not send 73
No restriction, you can call any time
Don?t forget to spread out between ï¿½ 600Hz.
In this second activity I will try to satisfy all but in first those
who are not in the first log.
It is an holiday style activity,you will find infos on MMMonVHF about
schedule, events and quick log. All others infos and complete log
will be in the expedition web site (see the link below).
See you soon from French West Indies
73
Philippe

SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS; square ; start 2012-04-18

E2E EME-DXpedition in Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

LATEST NEWS from Swen, HS0ZFZ, dated 2011-12-24:

The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His
Majesty the King - HS1A - The clubstation of RAST ? HS0AC ? was
submerged by 2m of waters during the previous century flood ? which
was in the media worldwide - I believe ? some pictures of the club
station after the water tide was gone ? www.qsl.net/RAST or RAST
forum.com RAST and HS0AC lost equipment worth around 200,000 USD
(150.000 Euro) incl. our mainstation rig FT-1000 MK Mark V ? which
is believed will not be able to be repaired. RAST settle up an
account for donations to help the clubstation getting back on air
soon. Donations could be done directly to the club or via paypal
to donate@rast.or.th (wrong in the Newsletter!).
There is also a EME activation ?E2E? planned
during April to help to raise some funds for HS0AC

** DXCC: EY; square MM48; start 2012-04-27

>From April 27 untill April 29, Frank, DL8YHR, and Rene, PE1L, will be
active from Tadzjikistan via EME. The callsign is EY8ZF the locator is

MM48jn near the city of Dushanbe and Dushanbe airport.
Frequencies: 144.134 and 432.090, EY will TX always first.
They will be on N0UK logger. They are only 2.5 moonpasses QRV so do not
miss them. Check the logger for last minute changes in frequency.
More info on:
http://www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme

SOURCE: Frank, DL8YHR and Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME
with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire
(PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near
Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the
weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit
insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a
update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz

We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We
have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC IS; squares JN40, JN41, JM48, JM49; start 2012-06-12

Patrick, ON7ARQ will be QRV from Sardinia from June 12th untill June 26th.
During the contest on June 16th/17th he will be signing IM0/ON7ARQ (from
the Island Isola di San Pietro?)

SOURCE: Patrick, ON7ARQ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZK2; square AH51; 2012-07-09

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012

Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could
mark your calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the
end of August As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with
me on 6m EME when I was in E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be
active during our common moon windows - especially during the optimum days of
the month for 6m EME. The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email),
and the QTH has not been finalized, but all the plane tickets have been purchased
(as usual, any contributions are VERY welcome), and the equipment (a KX3 portable
transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works. As soon as the license
is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:

http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm

I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference
for a takeoff shot over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work
NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating), so we will get the ground
gain on YOUR end for that And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset
over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period,

as we did together from E51 and 3D2; Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS. More details will be posted on the above website as the departure time at the end of August gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA; square KQ50; start 2012-08-11

Only 3 Squares remaining on a visit of the OH8K Team in the northern area -
KQ50 will be one and will be tried to activate in August 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to be qrv from KQ50
during 11-16. August 2012 as LA/OH6ZZ on 2m FSK/EME. QRG and more details
will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: HB0; square JN47; start 2012-04-25

Kasimir, DL2SBY und Georg, DF1SR, qrv from Liechtenstein (HB0)

Kurzwelle (25 April ? 05 Mai 2012)
Rufzeichen *HB0/DL2SBY*
80-10m in SSB/CW/RTTY
Equipment TS2000, Acom1010, Antennen Spiderbeam 20/17/15/12/10 sowie HF9V

*UKW via EME *
Rufzeichen *HB0/DF1SR*
28-29 April Dubus EME Contest auf 13cm
30 April ? 03 Mai Aktivit?t auf 6cm bzw. 9cm
Hier werden wir im HB9Q-Chatroom zu finden sein.
Auf den beiden letzten B?ndern w?re es die ERSTE EME-Aktivit?t aus
Liechtenstein.
Equipment TS2000, FT726R, Spiegel 3,7m

SOURCE: tnx to Kasimir, DL2SBY, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: W; square EN91; start 2012-05-12

N8OFS/p qrv 2012-05-12 2300Z till 2012-05-13 0300Z from EN91or

The Rules for the 2012 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints are online...

http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules

I will once again be Broadcasting Live and Direct from the Big Caboose at
the beloved AC&J Railroad for the 6M Sprint... This will be my First of
Six trips to the Caboose for 2012... 50W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the
"DOMINATOR"(tm) at 28.5ft, parked and locked on 52.525FM from EN91or...

PeAcE...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9CDaJ3qR4Q
Andy N8OFS GOT6??? GOT RAVE??? GOT FOOTY??? SMIRK#6737
The CrAzY 6 Meters FM only, sometimes found in a Caboose guy...

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VP2V; square FK78; start 2012-06-21

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS DXPEDITION: VP2V on 6 METERS Only (50.115.6 Mhz. CW & 50.115 Mhz.
SSB)

W9DR, Dave, will be operating from the British Virgin Islands on 6
meters from June 21, 2012 to July 2, 2012.

The call will be VP2V/W9DR and he will be on 50.115.6 Mhz.CW and 50.115
Mhz.
SSB.

Please submit conformation request (QSL) to W9DR's home address.

SOURCE: tnx to W9DR direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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427. Dammu Songs free Download

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 20:17:51 UTC
From: ntr jr <dammu009@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <3db2e7b7-9882-4387-8f15-176ed451a0ed@t6g2000pba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3444

Jr.NTR new latest film is “Dammu” directed by Boyapati srinu. Karthika
and trisha are leading female role in the moive.
Producer is Alexandar Vallabha and the banner is Creative Commercials.
The most famous music director keeravani is creating this movie.
All Dammu songs free download here. It willl create the new taste to
the audience.

http://dammu-songs-free-download.hssts.com/

428. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 21:11:56 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <84e70f1d-88f3-4e8a-989c-dcb4aab67120@k6g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3445

On Mar 28, 4:17 pm, ntr jr <dammu...@gmail.com> wrote:
>
get kelp spamer

429. eHam.net News for Wednesday 28 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-28 22:18:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5299be3e518b904bc54fcfb@google.com>
Source record: 3446
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Fisher's Ghost Amateur Radio Club Hosting Exhibition at Library:

Posted: 27 Mar 2012 05:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27984

Did you know there was such a thing as social networking long before Facebook or Twitter were even dreamed of? Amateur radio enthusiasts have been using electronics to communicate with people across the globe for nearly a century. The Fisher's Ghost Amateur Radio Club will be displaying a range of electronic devices at Campbelltown Library until March 31. Club treasurer Lynn Kelly said the group's members had provided a grand collection of about 30 radio devices dating back as far as the 1930s.

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New Ham Radio Club Hosts 'Field Day' March 31:

Posted: 27 Mar 2012 05:53 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27983

When disaster strikes and traditional communications, like telephones, are knocked out, ham radio operators are among the first to step in to fill the gap. About 30 area operators have started a new club, called the Grayson County Amateur Radio Society. It will be hosting a field day from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 31, at the merchants' building at the Grayson County Fairgrounds. Club secretary Roy Herman said the primary goal for the field day is for members to practice emergency preparedness. But it's also a chance to demonstrate what they do, and what can be done, with ham radios and a chance for those interested in becoming operators to ask questions and get some hands-on time with equipment. "This is a great opportunity for people to get hands-on experience, especially young people," he said. Besides having a radio set up for local communications, the operators may be able to reach their international counterparts depending on weather conditions, he added.

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Getting The Word Out When All Else Fails:

Posted: 27 Mar 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27982

In times of emergencies, seconds and minutes matter. It's especially true in an area where vast forests, high ridges and low-lying areas can cripple normal radio and cell phone reception. And in turn, delaying or losing

contact can be the difference between life and death. That's about to change at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, thanks to a United States Army MARS radio repeater which will be permanently installed within two to three months. The repeater will be placed on top of the park's water tower, which is located near the Dupont Lodge. Being atop one of the park's highest places will give an outstanding signal, and will link the region to state Emergency Management headquarters in Frankfort. In addition, the repeater will connect with trained amateur radio, or "ham radio" operators in the region, which can be used not only for severe weather spotting, but to alert the park on local, state and national emergencies. An added bonus will be the repeater's use in getting out emergency information on incidents affecting the park.

430. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 01 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-29 08:30:49 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <2e6b3aac-f437-45e2-8f7b-bc797f07c805@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3447
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-04-01.mp3
Text edition:

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 01 2012.

WRC 12 ACMA DEBRIEF

RAOTC ON AIR MONDAY

Titanic - GB100MGY will be on 502 kHz

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 1 2012.

WRC 12 ACMA DEBRIEF

The Australian Communications and Media Authority are holding an Industry
Debrief on the outcomes of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012
Monday April 23.

Over 3000 participants, representing 165 out of ITU's 193 Member States
attended the four-week Conference.

The ACMA led a delegation of 41 representatives from government and industry
at WRC-12. The ACMA has managed a four year preparatory process leading to
the WRC where Australia developed positions relevant to all WRC-12 Agenda
items.

The ACMA Industry Debrief on WRC-12 is open to all interested persons and
will provide a comprehensive overview from the delegation representatives

of the outcomes of all Agenda items. A dominant feature of this conference was the Agenda for the next to be held in 2015. There was a strong sentiment to ensure the next WRC is not delayed and includes numerous issues of significance, perhaps none more so than Agenda item 1.1 to consider new candidate frequency bands for IMT and mobile broadband applications. or WRC-15.

The Industry Debrief will be held on Monday 23 April at the National Library Theatre Canberra from 10 am to 4 pm.

To register to attend the Industry Debrief please contact natalie.rissanen@acma.gov.au

Mention you heard about it on WIA National News, oh and all registrations must be received by 13 April for catering purposes.

LISTEN HEAR

If you are interested in how your signal is being received elsewhere, Grant, VK2GEL, would like to publicise the availability of remote controlled receivers located both within Australia and worldwide.

Please go to globaltuners.com for free sign up

RAOTC

Hello everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that tomorrow Monday April 2nd the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's monthly News and Information Bulletin will be broadcast on a number of HF and VHF frequencies.

The principal HF transmissions will be on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz upper side band at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for the eastern states and at 0200 UTC beamed westward for Western Australia.

Numerous local relays will take place on both VHF and lower HF frequencies. To find the times and frequencies for your area please visit the RAOTC website at www.raotc.org.au

Everyone, RAOTC Members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half-hour of Old Timer news, information and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday April 2nd.

73 from Clive VK6CSW.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

The CRARC Committee has been offered the opportunity to have a familiarisation visit to the studio complex of Radio 1RPH the Radio Print Handicapped Network station on 1125AM in Canberra.

This is open to CRARC members, and family/friends on a first-come basis.

The event is being organised by Peter Ellis VK1PE who is a volunteer at
Radio 1RPH.

Please book via email to Committee@crarc.ampr.org

An early response will very helpful in planning the groups and timings so
please respond quickly.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Get along to the Urunga Radio Convention, it's on again this Easter weekend
that is Sat 7th and Sun 8th April at the Senior Citizens Hall Urunga.

The longest running Fox Hunt Field day in Australia with 2 days of
Fox Hunting, quizzes, raffles, and preloved gear, displays, Inquiries
welcome. Free tea and Coffee available for those registering,
(Numbers required for optional meal on Saturday night , (notify Committee)

The old cups from the early days are on display at the convention, and other
times at Ocean View Hotel where some of the early conventions were held.

An adjoining lounge for those that want to get away from the activities.

"Urunga" is a quiet village ideally suited to "Fox hunting" It's a very
relaxing Environment on the Kalang River, and has old style charm, ideal
for families.

Close by is Coffs Harbour and Bellingen, or perhaps a drive on "Waterfall
Way" to Dorrigo and the National Park Skywalk, picnic areas and lookouts,
Visit the Golf or Bowling clubs, or walk to the Ocean on the meandering
Footbridge for a spot of "surf fishing"

check "Urunga Radio Convention" web page.

http://www4.tpgi.com.au/goldy2/

(Ken Golden VK2DGT for URC. krgolden46@hotmail.com)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

ANZAC day activation.

Leading the day in Victoria will be Mick VK3CH and tagging along will be
Johnno VK3FMPB and John VK3FEZZ. They will be situated at the old
Army Apprentices' school at Balcombe in Mount Martha, using Mace Oval
and the car park next to the oval.

These are about 200-300 metres south of Uralla rd., the Peninsula pistol
club, (the old Army 25m rifle range) and adjacent to Tal Tals Cr.

If you get as far south as the Balcombe Grammar school you are too far south.

A variety of bands including 40m hopefully 80m and VHF just for the fun of it including any other Mick (3CH) can come up with on the day.

If anybody could give them a call or even go down and say hi it will be appreciated.

More on AM for ANZAC Day later with Felix, VK4FUQ.

(VK3FMPB)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP and I've been thinking.

I prepared this item back on the last day of the John Moyle Contest with the rain pouring down outside. The monsoon covering much of the north of the continent whilst a cyclone is wetting down the Pilbara. Current weather forecasts indicate more inclement weather to come.

Whilst contests provide a group activity for many clubs, I wonder how effective and how much participation is going to be available if the meteorologists are correct in that we should expect more dramatic weather more regularly?

Is there a solution to what could be a continuing disruption to contesting?

I'm not sure that we can find an answer to what must remain a conundrum.

Maybe all we can do is take things as they come and just accept that participation may continue to fall.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think......how about you?

CLUBBING

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the QNEWS broadcasts, please email your item in text to qnews@wia.org.au

Submit audio, read "how to submit items" on the weekly WIA news page. http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of QNEWS.

HERVEY BAY

Hi, I'm Norm VK4NP, President of the Hervey Bay Amateur Radio Club and I'm inviting all presidents and executives to mark your calendars for a weekend to remember, as the Hervey Bay radio club presents the WIA presidents lunch to be held on the 21st of July 2012 in Hervey bay. Come and meet WIA president Michael Owen and other members. Also, president and executive members of the QLD advisory committee. Now that takes care of Saturday the 21st, now for Sunday the 22nd , come meet and greet at a free barby at the club house of the Hervey bay radio club, where we will be on air for the wia Queensland , 100th anniversary .
So mark your calendars guys, see you there.
This is Norm VK4NP

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

2012 ROSS MEET THEVOICE BBQ REPORT

A beautiful Autumn Sunday perfected a wonderful day of fellowship at Ross a couple of Sunday's ago for those 70 Amateur Radio enthusiasts who signed the registration book with their family and friends bringing the total in attendance to an estimated 135.

Next year 2013, why not join them for the day or the week end, Ross has some very affordable accommodation available, cottages, Caravan Park, Motel, Hotel, but be aware there is a Town Market day on the Sunday that seems to attract the YL's!

Enquiries for 2013 may be addressed to Cedric VK7CL.

http://www.sewingcircle.org/

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

(EPISODE 1106)

Recently I had the opportunity to see some amateurs operating a special event station. Among the operators were a few young faces who had come into the hobby via the Scouts. Chatting away without a worry in the world I thought about an incident that I experienced a few months ago.

At the time I was set-up with my kit, parked, sitting in my car with my squid-pole making a 12 meter tall beacon for all manner of interested people to come past and ask me what I was catching with my fishing rod - which generally resulted in a good natured ribbing and a conversation about Amateur Radio, talking across the world, not unlike CB radio, building stuff and having fun.

Contrast this with a man and his two young charges who wide eyed approached and shuffled about wanting to ask questions. The man was not nearly as interested, in fact his whole demeanour was negative from the start. "What is that?" the young ones asked. "Well it's a big radio antenna that I use to

talk to people across the world."

His response was: "I don't need that, I
have a mobile phone." "Well, yes, but this will work in places and at times that a mobile won't." "Well, I don't need that." And with that the man stalked off towing his charges with him.

The thing that struck me in this interaction was that his charges were all but crestfallen. I wondered what their life might look like if the people around them had a sense of wonder and curiosity.

It occurs to me that the Amateurs I've met all appear to have that spark of curiosity and I wondered how many of them had noticed it.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Titanic - GB100MGY will be on 502 kHz

GB100MGY will be operating on 502 kHz from the Fort Perch Rock marine radio museum in the Wirral, UK during the Titanic commemoration.

Their website says:

"We have "special permission" from OFCOM to use the 501 to 504 kHz band from 12th to 18th April at FPR using GB100MGY. Please listen out on around 502 kHz CW. We will be on air on this frequency most evenings and overnight on 14th/15th April, the anniversary of the Titanic's sad demise.

We will be using Marine radio equipment from Marconi, JRC, Nera with a long wire between fort and lighthouse and a 6oo foot loop aerial around the fort.

For those of you without 500kHz we will be doing cross band QSO's on 3566 kHz or 7066 kHz. We also have a Kenwood TS570 100 watts transceiver which will be used on a vertical aerial for QSO's on all other amateur bands both CW and SSB.

GB100MGY

http://www.gb100mgy-fortperchrock.co.uk/

Peter Ellis VK1PE brings us a story of very complicated digital communications from the scientific world.

VK1PE:

The scientists and engineers at Fermilab near Chicago were having a little fun when they did this experiment. They used their neutrino beam to communicate.

Neutrinos are smaller than a millionth of that of an electron, the next lightest particle. About 50 billion natural neutrinos pass through your body every second, without affecting you.

Fermilab's neutrino beam is one of the most intense high energy neutrino beams in existence. A particle accelerator directs pulses of 120 GeV (billion electron volt energy) protons onto a carbon target every 2.2 seconds in pulses of about 8 microseconds long, and the collision produces huge quantities of highly energetic mesons that decay into muon neutrinos and other particles. The particle beam is then passed through 240 meters of rock, which absorbs all particles except the neutrinos. The average energy of the neutrinos is about 3 GeV. The MINERvA (Main INjector ExpeRiment for v-A) detector sees the neutrinos, and is designed to measure more than 16 million neutrino events during four years of beam time, or about one event every 8 seconds. During the neutrino communications experiment, the accelerator beam was being run at half intensity for the two hours of the experiment, in preparation for scheduled downtime, so one would expect a detection rate of about one every 16 seconds.

Dr Dan Stancil of North Carolina State University designed the experiment, after a former PhD student suggested the technique. He used on-off keying to send the word "neutrino" in a 5-bit subset of conventional ASCII code. This message of 40 bits was encoded using the NASA/ESA Planetary Standard, and then combined with a 64-bit pseudo-noise synchronization sequence, forming a 156 bit transmission which was transmitted by the neutrino beam for over 3,000 cycles. The data showed 15 frames to clearly be correctly synchronised, and the results from those frames were combined for the purpose of extracting the message. If any events were detected during a particular 8 microsecond pulse, it was counted as a 1, and otherwise as a zero bit.

Information theoretic analysis showed considerable robustness of the message transmission. After using the embedded error-correcting code, the effective information transmission rate was about 0.37 bits/pulse. Sending the message only three times would produce an accurate copy at the receiving end, but even two cycles gave 99 percent accuracy. When corrected for the message containing only 40 bits of information, the experimental data rate was estimated as roughly 0.1 bits per second.

Fermilab has shown that long-distance communication using neutrinos is possible, but only just, with current technology.

Ref:
http://www.fnal.gov/pub/today/archive_2012/today12-03-15.html
http://www.gizmag.com/neutrino-messaging/21842/

This is Peter Ellis VK1PE.

Important SOUTH AFRICAN licence information

Approximately 1,700 South African amateur radio callsigns have been marked by ICASA as 'lapsed'. This is as a result of the substantial clean-up that ICASA undertook during the last year.

This is a significant number of lapsed callsigns and many SA Amateurs have sometimes unwittingly allowed their licences to lapse. Those tuned in in ZS land right now may well be affected. As an example there are 43 paid up members of the SARL who no longer have valid licences.

For more information, you are urged to visit
www.sarl.org.za where you will find more information and what to do.

BBC TV - Wireless Power

The BBC TV show Click has examined how wireless charging could boost the electric car.

Imagine driving an electric car that recharges its batteries as it's being driven along the road. It may seem a distant dream but as Dan Simmons reports the technology that allows electric toothbrushes to charge without wires is being developed to provide power for a whole range of devices.

Nikola Tesla pioneered the idea of wireless power over a century ago.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nikola_Tesla

Watch the BBC video at
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/programmes/click_online/9708468.stm

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

CREATING THE HAM RADIO TRIATHLON CONTEST

A new radio sporting event will begin in 2013. And it has its roots in sports history. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

It all started back in August of 2011. That was about when it occurred to Mike Balaskas, SV5BYR of Dodcanese, Greece, that a big Greek sponsored radio sport event was missing from international ham radio contest calendar. By the end of that September Balaskas' idea had matured and so the Ham Radio Triathlon Contest was born.

For those of you who do not follow the world of sports, a triathlon involves completion of three continuous and sequential endurance events. And as you have already guessed, it is a Greek word.

But unlike the world of athletics, those planning the Ham Radio Triathlon DX Contest had to change things a bit to make this activity become reality. In trying to simulate the original Triathlon athletic event, planners chose three major ham radio modes for the competition. For the initial outing these will be SSB, CW and RTTY.

The Ham Radio Triathlon will be a 24 hour non-stop event that will take place the first full weekend of February. It will debut next year on Saturday, February 2nd of 2013. And from what we have read of the proposed rules winning this one won't be easy but it sure looks like a lot of fun.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, on this side of the Atlantic and the Western part of the United States reporting from Scottsdale, Arizona.

SV5BYR says that there is still a lot of work to be done and more details to be announced. We suggest that you keep an eye on triathlon-dx-contest.blogspot.com in the coming months to learn more.

ICE GOAT 1 APRS BUOY GOES TO SEA OFF ALASKA COAST

A group of Oceanography and Aeronautical engineering students from the U-S Naval Academy have deployed a radio equipped ocean buoy rigged to monitor weather in the harsh conditions of the arctic.

Named Ice Goat 1, the buoy was placed off of the coast of Point Barrow, Alaska. Once the winter ice melts the buoy will begin its sea voyage.

In addition to its scientific monitoring gear, Ice Goat 1 carries an APRS beacon operating on 145.825 MHz. The position packets can be relayed via the International Space Station digipeater. However, as the ISS only rises 1.5 degrees above the horizon at arctic latitudes reports of direct reception of the 145.825 MHz beacon are being sought from any Alaskan, and eventually Pacific Northwest amateur radio stations that may be in range of Ice Goat 1. Reception reports go by e-mail to wb4apr@amsat.org

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RSGB

Hermes SDR project

The Hermes SDR project that was detailed in RadCom in May 2010 by Phil Harman, VK6APH and Steve Ireland, VK6VZ is one step closer to fruition. There is now an interest list so that the number of boards to be manufactured can be determined.

Hermes is a Direct-Down Conversion receiver, a Direct-Up-Conversion 500mW transmitter and a gigabit Ethernet interface all on one board. Also on board is an RF-quiet switch-mode power supply, which allows Hermes to run from a single 13.8V DC source. You can register your interest at www.hansdr.com

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SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

FISTS have sponsored a Titanic 24 Hour Sprint on Sunday the 15th April 2012. (0001 to 2359 U.T.C).

All licensed Amateur Bands except the WARC Bands.

Recognising the 100th anniversary of the loss of the RMS Titanic on the 15th April 1912. This event is to be a standard exchange, between stations.

Scoring: -
10 Points for any Titanic special events station
5 Points for a FISTS HQ Station (GX0IPX, GX3ZQS, MX5IPX, VK2FDU, ZL6FF, JL3YMV, KN0WCW)
3 Points for a FISTS Affiliated Club Station
2 Points for a FISTS Member
1 Point for a Non Member

Logs: - To include Date/Time/Call/Name/QTH/QRG/FISTS No/or Non Member Points.
by e-mail to m0bpt@yahoo.co.uk
in Excel/csv/tabbed word document format if possible.

To be received no later than 30th April 2012.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

The DX Century Club (DXCC) is the premier Amateur Radio operating award.

Available to hams around the world, tens of thousands of awards have been issued since 1945 under the modern award program.

In 2012 the DXCC program is not only still thriving, but it is growing, both in participation and in numbers of award options. The addition of Logbook of the World and soon, the addition of an Online DXCC Application utility, will continue to help the program grow.

Some special event call signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games:

2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales.

The London 2012 Inspire program has granted the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) -- Great Britain's IARU Member-Society -- use of the "Inspire mark" for these stations.

Both stations will be on-the-air for the duration of the Games, July 27-August 12.

Museum Warships preparing for AM and CW on ANZAC Day -

Terry VK3UP has advised HMAS Castlemaine Museum Ship will be operational again this year for AM and CW on ANZAC Day.

Col VK4CU has confirmed that the Queensland Maritime Museum Association museum ship HMAS Diamantina VK4RAN will yet again be operational during AM and CW on ANZAC Day - mainly on CW on 7020 and 14051kHz.

Look out too for the special event station VI4MGY operational during Sunday 15th April, the 100 anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic.

It's also hoping that Museum Ships HMAS Whyalla,
HMAS Vampire and many other museum ships and military museums get up on

air for AM and CW on ANZAC Day.

Philippine Amateur Radio League 50th anniversary special event

Look for special event station 4G0LD to be active during 2012.

Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur Radio League (PARL).

QSL via the Bureau.

Also, the P.A.R.L. is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio stations that have established two-way communications with at least 12 QSOs with PARL members.

Look for more details at:
http://www.dx1l.dxhams.net/events.htm

GB80PW Practical Wireless 80th year

In the UK Ofcom have issued the special callsign GB 80 PW to Practical Wireless magazine. This special callsign is to celebrate the publication's 80th year in print.

Practical Wireless Magazine
http://www.pwpublishing.co.uk

Denmark has the Presidency of European Union from 1st January to 30th June 2012 and the callsign 5P12EU will be activated during this period. QSL cards will be available and there is an award scheme for working or hearing this callsign. For all details on QSLing, the award scheme and logs, check out www.5p12eu.dk.

9H3PP

>From Malta 9H3PP May 26th and 27th during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. Activity outside of the contest will be on 6 and 12 meters, possibly 17 meters. qSL via HA5PP.

ZS4U will be operational portable 9Q6 from the Republic of the Congo until April 5th. Activity will be limited, probably mainly on the weekends and some days during the week.

Listen out for him between 1200 and 1600 UTC on 40 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign zs4u.

The special call sign EI100T has been issued for the year 2012 to commemorate the 100th sinking of the Titanic and Cork Radio Club members will operate EI 100 T throughout the year.

The main Titanic event will happen over the weekend of April 13/14th.

(IRTS NEWS)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video arvideonews.com

hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Christchurch ATV Station

Peter Robinson ZL3TJH runs an Amateur TV station in New Zealand's 615 MHz (Channel 39) amateur radio band. You Tube has a video telling how that allocation is threatened by the sell-off of TV frequencies.

ZL3TJH operates ATV from a corner of a bedroom at his Cashmere home. This amateur TV station is unique in New Zealand, but it needs community support if it is to survive the changeover from analogue to digital transition in 2013.

Those in the Casmere Zone can view the station on 615.25 MHz or on channel 39 UHF.

Google ATV - the Christchurch amateur TV station

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Mon Mar 26 marked the 99th anniversary of the first reported use of Amateur Radio in Emergency Communications.

Herbert Akerberg a 15 year old High School student was reported to use his radio in Columbus, Ohio during a flood. Akerberg went on to serve in the Army during WW I and worked at W.P.A.L. Radio in Columbus.

In 1942 the WPAL station building became the first location used by Universal Radio. Akerberg moved from WPAL to become V.P. of affiliate relations for CBS Radio and later the same office for CBS T.V.

MyGAREC 2012 is announced

The Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference (GAREC), now coined as 'MyGAREC 2012', will be held at the Thistle Port Dickson Resort, Negeri Sembilan, from November 12 to 14. It attracts participants from around the world.

The first GAREC was in 2005 and is the premier annual event attended by those with an interest in amateur radio providing emergency communications during training exercises or in response to disasters.

MyGAREC 2012 has been timed to immediately follow the IARU Region 3 Conference in Vietnam (November 5 to 9) which has as its theme disaster relief communications.

General information including information on the venue, registration fees and the tentative agenda and the registration forms will be posted on the website www.mygarec2012.com by the end of this month.

This website will be updated frequently to keep all updated with the latest news and program changes.

Among the draft topics to be discussed are the HF Emergency Operating Procedure, the Future of GAREC, presentations from the three regions of the IARU and also some presentations from societies with recent disaster relief communications operations.

For more information you may also email info@mygarec2012.com

(MyGarec 2012 Team)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam early November.

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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431. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 March 2012

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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ru2xVhgkN4Q/march_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Not similar to last week, early week poor but from Wednesday OK and at the
weekend blitzing!

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NTIA: No objection to additional Data Modes on 60 meters

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KyHnmBMz8gQ/ntia_clarifies_position_on_60_meter_digital_privileges.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In response to requests for clarification from the ARRL, the National
Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has confirmed that
it has no objection to the use of a broader range of data emissions by
amateurs on the five 5 MHz frequencies on 60 meters

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Operators wanted for Campbell Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Uc4YKkxdSDs/dxpedition_to_campbell_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia (HARAOA) is
organising a DXpedition to ZL9 Campbell Island (OC-037) New Zealand between
November 17th and November 30th 2012

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Ottawa relaxes rules for personal antennas

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fqDIBe8jzc8/city_relaxes_rules_for_personal_antennas.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A compromise between the city and amateur radio enthusiasts means they’ll
get a bit more freedom to put up private antennas on their houses and in
their yards, Ottawa city council agreed Wednesday

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QB50 Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bAjcEr_5d5k/qb50_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The QB50 project is planning the largest ever deployment of CubeSats and
their March newsletter is now available for download

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All Ireland 446MHz Activation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5oSzFiOtvVs/all_ireland_446mhz_activation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Monday 9th April 2012 at 2PM, all over Ireland, people will get to high
places such as hill tops to try to DX using PMR 446 radios

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Mission success for PBH-18 balloon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RSV60OJ7Dqo/mission_success_for_pbh18_balloon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio balloon flight PBH-18 has been declared a success

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ESA - CubeSats satellite operations update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FSKKKjFW0jg/esa_cubesat_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ESA have issued an update on the amateur radio CubeSats that were launched
on February 13

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Student CubeSats BEESAT-2 and BEESAT-3

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5obzNayY4Ac/student_cubesats_beesat2_and_beesat3.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two CubeSats, built by students at the Technical University of Berlin, are
expected to launch in the 4th quarter of 2012 from Baikonour into a 575km
circular 65 degree orbit

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Exercise with Camp Murry, Washington and Alberta

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fNbLxWfoDFQ/exercise_with_camp_murry_washington_and_alberta.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Doug Howard, VE6CID, Southern Alberta District Emergency Coordinator (DEC),
has details of an exercise planned for this Saturday

432. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 29 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-29 16:13:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9d0dbef62e04bc6400ef@google.com>
Source record: 3449
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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March 31st is the date for Merit Badge In A Day And A Ham To Stay Special Event K3B

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 12:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339918-March-31st-is-the-date-for-Merit-Badge-In-A-Day-And-A-Ham-To-Stay-Special-Event-K3B&goto=newpost

As seen at CambriaRadio.com this is the weekend for Merit Badge In A Day And A Ham To Stay.:cool:

There will be a Ham Shack for ham radio operations by the scouts and other areas for merit badge work and VE Testing. Operating frequencies are posted at CambriaRadio.com and http://www.qrz.com/db/k3b

Over 200 boy scouts and 50+ scout leaders will be attending as well as many hams from around the area with the support of at least 2 ARC's. This event sure has grown from the simple idea it started as. Please visit CambriaRadio.com and http://www.qrz.com/db/k3b for more detail. Many cool things on the agenda.

TO RECEIVE A QSL CARD FROM THIS EVENT, LOG YOUR QSO ON YOUR QSL CARD OR ON A SLIP OF PAPER, SEND IT WITH YOUR S.A.S.E TO: SPECIAL EVENT K3B PO BOX 53 MINERAL POINT PA, 15942 ANY CARDS RECEIVED WILL BE SCANNED AND POSTED ON OUR RESULTS WEB SITE. WE HOPE TO REACH AROUND THE WORLD. You may also request a .PDF format QSL via e-mail by sending your contact detail to K3B@CambriaRadio.com (in the subject line enter: QSL REQUEST K3B) http://www.qrz.com/db/k3b

Questions can be sent to KB3REA@CambriaRadio.com or by calling Herb at 814 254-6383

Talk in on KC3DES 145.210- PL 123... Radio Operations Controlled By Dave N3YFO N3YFO@CambriaRadio.com

FREE VE Testing for the Scouts Conducted by Scott N3XCC N3XCC@CambriaRadio.com

When: March 31- April 1, 2012

Where: New Germany Grove

Time: 0800 -1630

Cost to the scouts $0.00 :cool:

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433. The ARRL Letter for March 29, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-29 20:16:51 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120329194346.6A14B206A4@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3450
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

==> + ON THE AIR: NTIA -- NO OBJECTION TO ADDITIONAL DATA MODES ON 60
METERS

In response to requests for clarification from the ARRL, the
National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has
confirmed that it has no objection to the use of a broader range of
data emissions by amateurs on the five 5 MHz frequencies on 60 meters.
ARRL's original understanding was that the NTIA preferred that the use
of 2K80J2D emission be limited to Pactor III. The NTIA now says that
that is not the case. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/ntia-no-objection-to-additional-data-modes-on-60-me
ters>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ONLINE DXCC APPLICATION TO DEBUT APRIL 2

Beginning April 2 at 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC), the ARRL's new Online
DXCC tool will be ready to accept applications, allowing hams to supply
the data from traditional paper QSLs in a digital form to apply for a
new DXCC award or endorsement. Submitting a DXCC application using
Online DXCC is easier than making a paper application, saving both time
and money. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/online-dxcc-application-to-debut-april-2>.

==> + JOE WALSH, WB6ACU, IS AN ANALOG MAN

Grammy Award winning rock-and-roll legend Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, returns
with Analog Man, set to be released June 5. This is Walsh's first solo
album since 1992's Songs for a Dying Planet. According to Walsh's
website, Analog Man is both modern and timelessly soulful, packed with
Walsh's wit, charm and chops; it delivers an incredibly raw and
intimate sound. "It's been 20 years and I have a lot to say," Walsh
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explained. "These songs [on Analog Man] come from the heart."

No stranger to the analog way of life, Walsh -- an ARRL Life Member -- enjoys operating on 75 meters AM. AM -- or amplitude modulation -- has been around the amateur bands since the 1930s. Its advocates say that AM offers a warm, rich audio quality that provides for more personal interaction and that AM's simplicity circuit design encourages hands-on restoration, modification and homebrew construction to an extent no longer found among contemporary radios. Many hams who operate AM say they enjoy the simple, roomy electrical and mechanical designs of the older radios, claiming that they can more easily be modified and tinkered with than their modern counterparts. Other enthusiasts claim that these vintage radios sound better than their silicon descendants, saying that the tube audio from vintage gear is "warmer" and more aesthetically pleasing than the audio produced by the typical modern transceiver. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/joe-walsh-wb6acu-is-an-analog-man>.

==> + ARRL HQ: TWO POSITIONS OPEN AT ARRL HQ

The League is currently looking to fill two open positions at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. One position is in the Membership and Volunteer Programs Department and the other is in the Education Services Department. Travel is required for these full-time positions.

MVP Awards and Programs Assistant

This person who fills this position will assist in all activities found within the MVP Department, with initial priority given to assisting with Logbook of The World (LoTW
<http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) support functions. Other duties include supporting the DXCC and other awards programs, W1AW station operations and contesting program support. Candidates should hold an Amateur Extra class license, participate in contests and DXCC, and be an experienced user of LoTW. A Bachelor's degree is preferred. Click here
<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Employment/Awards%20and%20Programs%20Assistant%20%282%29.pdf>
for a job description.

Education Services Instruction and Resource Coordinator

The person who fills this position will, among other duties, identify, review and organize resources needed by license instructors, teachers and Scout leaders, develop curricula/lesson plans, instructional media for instruction of ham radio license and other ham radio related topics (including radio science and basic electronics topics for use by classroom teachers) and develop an orientation course for license instructors and materials for instructor training. Candidates should hold an Amateur Extra class license (or be willing to achieve this within one year from date of hire) and a wide range of operating experience. Experience with instructional media is a plus. A Bachelor's

degree, along with teacher certification (and/or experience as a teaching or training professional) with Amateur Radio, electronics, science or technology subjects is required. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Employment/FT%20Ed%20Svcs%20Instruction%20and%20Resource%20Coordinator-announce%20Mar12%20%282%29.pdf> for a job description.

How to Apply

To apply, please send your cover letter and resume via e-mail <mlevesque@arrl.org>, or complete the application <http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/Revised_Employment_Application.pdf>, print it out and mail it with your resume and cover letter to Monique Levesque, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. You can also fax your application, cover letter and resume to 860-594-0298. Please include your salary history and salary requirements. The ARRL is an equal opportunity employer.

==> + QST AUTHOR SERIOUSLY INJURED

Commander Richard Paton, USCGR (Ret) -- author of "Radio's Role in the Titanic Disaster" in the April 2012 issue of QST -- was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident in Tolland, Connecticut on March 22. He is in the Intensive Care Unit at Hartford Hospital.

"It was a great shock to hear the news," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "Dick and his wife Carol live in the same town that I do and sit right behind me at church. I knew nothing about his article until it was in print, because I was in Geneva attending WRC-12 while the April QST was being put together. My congratulatory e-mail reached him while he and Carol were on a cruise in the Pacific. The accident occurred soon after they returned home."

Commander Paton, 67, was injured when his motorcycle collided with an automobile. At last report the accident was still under investigation.

"While Dick is not a radio amateur, his extensive maritime experience and inquiring mind combine to lead him to be curious about many of the things that intrigue us as hams," Sumner said. "I hope ARRL members who enjoyed his contribution to QST will join me in keeping Dick in their thoughts and prayers as he fights to recover."

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Never did Sun more beautifully steep <http://www.poets.org/viewmedia.php/prmMID/15877>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Eight new sunspot groups appeared this week, but the average daily sunspot number declined four points to 71.1, while the average daily solar flux rose by less than two points to 103.7. On March 22, three new sunspot groups appeared, numbered 1441, 1442 and 1443. Two more groups appeared on Friday, 1444 and 1445, while 1442 vanished from view. On March 24, group 1441 disappeared, and on March 25 new group 1446 emerged. On March 26, groups 1440, 1443 and 1446 faded away, but

1442 -- not seen since four days earlier -- re-emerged. On March 27, group 1444 disappeared and 1447 appeared, and on March 28 new group 1448 arrived. For the short term, planetary A index is predicted to be 10 on March 29, 5 on March 30-April 9, then 12 on April 10, and back to 5 on April 11-12, then 15 and 10 on April 13-14, followed by 5 on April 15-23. The solar flux prediction shows flux values of 110 and 115 on March 29-30, 120 on March 31-April 2, 125 on April 3-5, and a big jump to 140 on April 6. On April 7-11, the predicted solar flux is 130, 125, 120, 110 and 105. On April 12-15, the predicted solar flux is 100. It then goes to 105 and 110 on April 16-17, and back to 100 on April 18-21. Another broader peak of 140 is predicted for May 1-3. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Friday, March 30. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by William Wordsworth's Composed upon Westminster Bridge, September 3, 1802 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Composed_upon_Westminster_Bridge,_September_3,_1802>.

==> + ARRL TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF GOOD FRIDAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Good Friday on Friday, April 6. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, April 9 at 8 AM Eastern Daylight Time. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

==> LUXEMBOURG ISSUES STAMP TO CELEBRATE 75 YEARS OF AMATEUR RADIO

Founded in 1937, the Réseau Luxembourgeois des Amateurs d'Ondes Courtes (RL <http://www.rlx.lu/index.html>) -- that country's IARU Member-Society -- is celebrating its 75th anniversary. In honor of this milestone, Luxembourg's Entreprise des Postes et Télécommunications (P&TLuxembourg) has issued a .60 € postage stamp <http://www.pt.lu/portal/lang/en/Philatelie/stamps/pid/4292> (about 80 cents in US currency); P&TLuxembourg is that country's government owned corporation for mail and telecommunications. This is one of three commemorative stamps issued by Luxembourg in 2012 .

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- March 31-April 1 -- Missouri QSO Party
- April 1 -- UBA Spring Contest (SSB)
- April 3 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- April 6 -- NCCC RTTY Sprint
- April 7 -- LZ Open 40 Meter Sprint Contest; PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest (local time)

- April 7-8 -- QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party; SP DX Contest
- April 11 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- April 11-12 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations Web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 7 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest-1>, Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett, Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012 <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle, Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho; 63rd International DX Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>, Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radio-electronics-expo-1>, Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe, Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>, Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>, Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>, Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers, Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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434. [DXNL] DXNL 1773 (Mar 28, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-30 06:08:19 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <4333706328.20120330080437@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3301
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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6W, SENEGAL
Tony,F8ATS/6W, plans to become QRV from the Le Calao in holiday style
between Mar 30 and Apr 7. QSL via bureau to his homecall.

A3, TONGA, OC-049
Haru,JA1XGI, will be on the air as A35XG working mainly in CW and only
some SSB and digital modes on 20m-6m from Apr 2-9. Listen for him on:
SSB: 14175, 18135, 21260, 24940, 28450 kHz
CW: 10115, 14015, 18080, 21015, 24895, 28015 kHz
Data: 10140, 14088, 18102, 21088, 24920, 28088 kHz.
His equipment includes an IC 7000, a 2 ele yagi and a fishing rod ant.
QSL via homecall, LoTW. See also: http://www.geocities.jp/a35xgtonga

CN, MOROCCO
Richard,F8FGU, will be QRV as CN2RN in CW and SSB on HF from the
Atlas Mountains (Khenifra) in Morocco (Loc IM72er) from Apr 3-30.
QSL via homecall.

F, FRANCE
Elio,F/IZ2RLJ, and Max,F/IK1RGI, will be QRV from a glacier at the
Mont Blanc (4000m a.s.l.) on Mar 31 (or Apr 14). They plan to work
on 14277 kHz or 14287 kHz starting at 1400 UTC,
on 7167 kHz or 7177 kHz starting at 1500 UTC,
on 3667 kHz or 3677 kHz from 1600 UTC and from 1800-1900 UTC.
Their equipment is a FT-857, a 17Ah battery and a 10m fishing rod wire.

JA, JAPAN
The special event station 8J10SAI is activated until Mar 31 to mark
the 10th anniversary of the city of Saitama (capital of the prefecture
Saitama) in Kanto region on Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376).QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8J6O is on the air till Dec 31 and celebrates
the 70th anniversary of the city of Omura (JCC 4205) in the prefecture

Nagasaki on Kyushu Island (AS-077, WLOTA 0963). QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8J7EQ remembers last year's big earthquake in
Japan in all modes on HF until Sep 30. QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8J7FUKKO is supporting the reconstruction
after the big earthquake and Tsunami of the city of Kesennuma (JCC 605)
in the prefecture Miyagi/Tohoku region on Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376)
until Mar 11, 2013. QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8N1TW is active until Jul 28 to mark the
completion of transition to digital terrestrial TV broadcasting in JA.
"TW" implies Tower. QSL via bureau.

KH6, HAWAII, OC-019
"Yukon John",KL7JR, and his XYL Claire,WL7MY, are celebrating the
18th anniversary of the "US Islands Awards Program" signing NH7DX from
Big Island (OC-019, HI-025S) on 80-10m from Apr 1-15.
QSLs only direct via KL7JR, see QRZ.com. See: http://www.usislands.org

ON, BELGIUM
Flemish HAMs remember the centennial of the Titanic tragedy by
putting the three special event stations OO100MGY (QSL via ON3RAD),
OR100MGY (QSL via ON6KNH) and OT100MGY (QSL via ON4PRA) on the air
from Apr 1-30. See also: http://www.racd.be

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
Dick,PA2GRU, will sign PH100MGY to mark the centennial of the Titanic
tragedy as well from Apr 1-28. QSL via PA3CAL.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Jan-Willem,PJ2/PA7JWC, and YL Monique,PJ2/PD7DB, are working holiday
style in SSB/CW/RTTY/PSK on 80m-10m from the Piscadera Bay Resort on
Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA 0942, FK52MC) from Apr 2-9.
QSLs via homecalls, LoTW. See also: http://www.pa7jwc.nl

PY, BRAZIL
Ghis,ON5NT, plans to join the DXpedition to Gorriti Island (SA-039)
for three days starting on Mar 27 (see below at IOTA news).
After that he may show up as PY3/CX5DNT from Porto Alegre until Apr 14.
QSL via ON5NT.

XV, VIETNAM
Hermann,DL2NUD (XV4HP), and Peter,DJ4TC (3W4TC), plan to activate
Vietnam via EME from Grid Loc OK10 between Mar 28 and Apr 10 and from
Grid Loc OK20 from Apr 12-20. They will use 17 ele yagi, DB6NT preamp,
HLV 2000 Beko on 144.144 MHz; a 38 ele yagi, DB6NT preamp, 50 watts on
432.090 MHz and a 62 ele yagi with DB6NT preamp on 1296.120 MHz.

WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY
Apr 18 is the "World Amateur Radio Day". The International Amateur
Radio Union (IARU) was founded 87 years ago. The first amateur radio

satellite OSCAR 1 was launched into space on Dec 12, 1961, and the
second one OSCAR 2 on Jun 2, 1962.
Several IARU members will activate different special event stations
(e.g. 6H6IARU, 3G73IARU and LZ1WARD) throughout the year.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Mar 26 DIG-PA Contest
Apr 1 UBA Spring Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-005, G/M, Great Britain: Somem members of the Medway Amateur Receiving &
Transmitting Society are using the special callsign GB5MW until Mar 31
from Fort Amherst (CASHOTA G449, Loc JO01GJ, WLOTA 1841). This call is
celebrates the 90th anniversary of the club. QSL via G5MW.
See also: http://www.cashota.co.uk and http://www.g5mw.org.uk

EU-022, JX, Jan Mayen Island: Svein,LA9JKA, is working from Olonkin Base
on Jan Mayen (EU-022, WLOTA 1454) from Mar 29 until Mar 20, 2013.
He will sign JX9JKA in all modes on all HF bands during his spare time.
QSL only direct via LA9JKA, no eQSL. Log will be uploaded to the LoTW.

EU-115, EI/GI/MI, Ireland: The special event station GI100MGY is working
from Belfast in April. MGY was the callsign of the Titanic which was
built in belfast in 1911. GI100 is a rare special prefix which was
issued for the project "WhiteStar". Activities are planned in all modes
on 80m-10m. They will make a radio silence for two minutes on Apr 15
at 01:47 am to remember the Titanic and their casualties. They will
work mainly in CW on Apr 14/15. QSL via GI4FUE (direct/bureau).

SA-039, CX, Maldonado/Rocha Department group: Some members of the Radio Club
Uruguayo and the Uruguay DX Group will use the callsign CW5GI from
Gorriti Island (WLOTA 2172, Loc GF25MA) on Mar 30/31 and Apr 1.
This is only the second time this island is activated. QSL via ON5NT.

Lighthouse activities

NH7DX LH 0065 Apr 1&#65533;15
PJ2/PA7JWC LH 0942 Apr 2&#65533;9
PJ2/PD7DB LH 0942 Apr 2&#65533;9

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

24Mar-31Mar 2M1EUB 1772
Resident 3B8FA 1765
Unknown 3W7W 1768
-07May 3Z45HBW 1772
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772
Unknown 4W0VB 1763
Unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
04Mar-04Apr 5H3MB 1769
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
21Mar- 5T0JL 1772
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674

Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
16Mar-28Mar 6V7Z 1771
15Mar-03Apr 7P8PB 1771
-31Mar 8J10SAI 1773 *
-31Mar 8J1ING 1751
-31Mar 8J1YMS 1764
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Dec 8J6O 1773 *
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OO100MGY via ON3RAD (B)
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OR7W via ON4BAL (B)
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PZ5P via UA4LU (B)
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SV5AZK via SZ5RDS (B)
TA7/4J9M via DL7EDH (d)
UE85DRK via UA9XL (B)
V5/DK6XZ via DK6XZ (B)
V5/DL3DXX via DL3DXX (B)
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TF8GX via KT6YL (B)
UE85DRK via UA9XL (B)
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ZP6VT via EA7FTR

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: PJ4C (F9IE)

QSLs arrived bureau: 5H1S (S53A), 6V7D (UA0SE), 9Q50ON (ON4BR), BD3MV,
CE0Y/DK7ZB (DK7ZB), JW/DG5NFF (DG5NFF), JW7XK (LA7XK),
HP1/DJ2ST (DJ2ST), OX/NA1SA (RW3GW), S79NU (DL8NU),
TO2T (F6HMQ), TO5T (JE1JKL), VP2MXF (G3TXF),
Z23MS (RW3AJX), ZD9T (DJ2EH)

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Date: 2012-03-30 08:22:59 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <D9AD3816E7924788BBD64397FF0CDACD@AlanLaptop>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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· From the desk of HQ

· From the President ZL1TGC

· Radio Scouting and IRLP

· FMTAG report

· UHF-VHF-SHF Contest Manager

· Jock White Field Day Report & Results

Debby says…All branch secretaries should this week, receive the branch circular which includes membership figures and remits for discussion.

Also included is the criteria for various awards that can be presented in recognition of members both within a branch and at national level. Please consider nominations and forward to me before 1 May 2012.

Talk soon….Debby ZL2DL

Repeater licensing from November 2012

A decision from February Face to face Council meeting which will have an impact on several branches is that repeater and beacon licences currently held in the name of NZART will be handed back to those Branches who own and operate our many repeaters, beacons and fixed links.

The current system of invoicing and renewals means a heavy administrative workload for FMTAG and also at headquarters at a time when subscription renewals are also being processed. This will mean that this coming November when the individual licences are up for renewal, each branch will receive the licence renewal invoice direct from the MED.

Branch secretaries will need to be aware of this and ensure that payment is made by the due date. Failure to do so may result in the licence being cancelled.

FMTAG will be contacting the Branches concerned to let them know of this change in licence ownership and to assist with the changeover.

If your Branch does not want to make payment direct to the MED, then the licence can stay in the name of NZART.

You will be advised of the requirement to make payment to NZART for the licence, and once paid, the fee will be paid to MED – this is the same as the process we have been using for the past several years, with one small change – your Branch will be invoiced for the full amount of the licence and the prompt payment discount offered by the MED will be retained by headquarters to offset the administrative overhead.

Can I encourage your Branch to look at taking ownership of the licence(s) when you receive the details from the FMTAG Secretary.

Vaughan ZL1TGC

NZART President

Radio Scouting IRLP Calling Channel

Radio Scouting and Jamboree on the Air now has a common meeting place for IRLP (Internet Radio Linking Project) contacts. Scouts and Scouters may simply connect an IRLP node to Node 9091, which is a dedicated Topic Channel for Radio Scouting. If you're looking for a contact, after connecting make yourself known by IDing and indicating your interest in a Radio Scouting or JOTA contact. Remember, "live" repeaters are involved, so please use proper identification procedures.

If no one is available, it's OK to remain connected. The next person to connect will similarly ID and a QSO can be established. Since this is a single channel, it's recommended that once contact is made, the two stations mutually agree on IRLP nodes, disconnect from the Topic Channel and connect to the agreed upon nodes. For detailed information on available IRLP repeaters in your area, how IRLP works and operating guidelines, visit www.irlp.net

A recommended time for calling has initially been established for 1800Z (1100 PDST, 1400 EDST). This time was selected for weekend activities, such as Radio Merit Badge events, as well as contacts during Summer Camp. Another suggested time is 0100Z (1800 PDST, 2100 EDST). The evening schedule should accommodate most scouts and scouters during the evening hours. The Radio Scouting/JOTA Topic Channel is available for use 24/7.

The Topics Channel will initially be set up for IRLP only and will soon have connectivity via EchoLink.

For more information about Topic Channels, see http://www.irlptopics.net/ The K2BSA Amateur Radio Association sincerely appreciates the resources provided by Kent Johnson, W7AOR, on the Western Reflector Annex, to Michael Bloom, W7RAT, for coordinating this Channel, and to the Oregon Internet Radio Group for implementing the

Topic Channels Project.

FMTAG Notes for HQ Info Line 248

PROPOSAL

Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for an APRS Digipeater at Kaiwharawhara Hill, located at TOPO50 BQ31 494.93 316.03. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz in accordance with the band plan. An engineering investigation, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

The current status of Applications can be viewed on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/fmtag-apps-being-processed/

FROM THE VHF-UHF-SHF CONTEST MANAGER

THE NEXT FEW CONTESTS

The next contest is the Low Band Contest, 50 MHz to 440 MHz, on Saturday the 14th and Sunday the 15th of April 2012. This is the weekend after Easter. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Hibernation Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th of April 2012. This is the weekend after Queen's Birthday weekend. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Brass Monkey Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th of August 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The Contest Rules are available at:
www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the May/June 2012 issue of Break-In-closes on 10 May 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
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Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
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5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1807 - March 30 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1807 with a release date of March 30th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The next Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference to be hekd in Malaysia; 1700 South African hams let their licenses lapse, World amateur Radio Day to celebrate 50 yesrs of ham radio in space, Japan to launch five new hamsats, DXCC is going on-line and Roving Reporter Pierre Pulinmyleg returns with a truly out of this world April 1st story. Find out where Pierre is this year on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1807 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: MY GAREC 2012 TO BE HELD IN MALAYSIA IN NOVEMBER

The 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference now coined as MyGAREC 2012, will be held from November 12th to the 14th in Malaysia. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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Among the draft topics to be discussed at My GAREC 2012 are High Frequency Emergency Operating Procedures, presentations from the three regions of the IARU and presentations from societies with recent disaster relief communications operations. Also to be discussed will be the future Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference itself.

GAREC began in 2005 and is now the premier annual event attended by those with an interest in amateur radio providing emergency communications during training exercises or in response to disasters. As such it attracts participants from around the world.

General information including information on the venue, registration fees and the tentative agenda and the registration forms will be posted on the website www.mygarec2012.com by the end of this month. That website will be updated frequently to keep all updated with the latest news and program changes. For specific information you can e-mail to info (at) mygarec2012 (dot) com

For the Amateur radio Newsline, Im Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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MyGAREC 2012 has been timed to immediately follow the IARU Region 3 Conference to be held in Vietnam from November 5th to the 9th. It too has as its theme disaster relief communications.

(VK3PC, MyGarec 2012 Team)

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RESTRUCTURING: NTIA SAYS PACTOR III IS NOT THE ONLY DIGITAL MODE FOR 60 METERS

Some breaking news for those who operate the 60 meter band. In response to requests for clarification from the ARRL, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration says that it has no objection to the use of a broader range of data emissions by amateurs on the five 5 MHz frequencies on 60 meters.

In an e-mail response to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, Karl Nebbia, the Associate Administrator of the NTIA Office of Spectrum Management, stated, that his organization had no interest in limiting the types of emission used by the amateurs as long as the data emission does not exceed the 2.8 kHz bandwidth as generated by the upper sideband transmitter.

Nebbia referred all further inquiries to the FCC, which he says sets the conditions for use of the five 5 MHz frequencies by radio amateurs.

The ARRL said that its original understanding was that the NTIA preferred that the use of 2K80J2D emission be limited to Pactor III. The NTIA now says that that is not the case.

But it's not all peaches and roses. This is because the requirement of only one signal per channel remains, as well as the prohibition against automatic operation. Also, the FCC continues to require that all digital transmissions be centered on the channel-center frequencies, which the Report and Order defines as being 1.5 kHz above the suppressed carrier frequency of a transceiver operated in the Upper Sideband mode. The ARRL says that this is typically the frequency shown on the frequency display.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Berwyck, Pennsylvania. (NTIA, ARRL, others)

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WORLDBEAT: ICASA SAYS OVER 1700 SOUTH AFRICA HAM LICENSES HAVE LAPSED

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa says that approximately 1700 amateur radio call signs have been marked as having lapsed by the regulatory agency. This is as a result of a substantial cleanup that the ICASA undertook during the last 12 months.

According to the South African Radio League, this is a significant number of former callsigns and that it is likely that many amateurs have unwittingly allowed their licenses to lapse. As an example SARL

says it has 43 paid up members who no longer have valid licenses.

If you are a South Africa radio amateur and believe you might be one of these people whose license inadvertently lapsed, the South African Radio Leagues advises to visit its website where you will find more information and what to do. The URL is www.sarl.org.za. (SARL)

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HAM CELEBRATIONS: WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY TO CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF HAM RADIO IN SPACE

April 18th is World Amateur Radio Day and celebrates the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU. Now it has been announced that the theme of this years World Amateur Radio Day is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space."

The name and the theme were chosen in remembrance the launching of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962. Several IARU Member Societies have already announced special event stations for various dates during April to celebrate these two early ham radio in space milestones.

Callsigns known as we go to air include 6H6IARU, 3G73IARU and LZ1WARD. The EARD suffix standing for World Amateur adio Day. (IARU-R2)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: JAPAN TO LAUNCH AMATEUR RADIO SATELLITES

Big news on the ham radio space scene. This with word that the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency has announced the upcoming launch of five amateur radio satellites. This, on two launches taking place this spring and summer. Amateur Radio Newsline's Stephen Kinford, N8WB, is here with more:

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The first launch is the H2A that takes place on May 17th. It will carry the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2.

This will be followed on July 21st when the HTV3 mission. It will deliver the JEM-Small Satellite Orbital Deployer or J-SSOD to the International Space Station. That unit will enable small satellites to be deployed from the ISS using the Japanese Experiment Module robot arm.

The Japanese amateur radio satellites WE-WISH and FITSAT-1, along with San Jose State University's TechEdSat and Vietnam's F-1 will also be delivered to the I-S-S on this mission. Plans are for them to be deployed to orbit on September 20th.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Stephen Kinford, N8WB, in Wadsworth, Ohio.

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We will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (JN1GKZ, Southgate)

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CHANGING TIMES: ON-LINE DXCC

A new DXCC tool that brings the program partially on-line is to debut on April 2nd. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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Actually, initial word of the DXCC going on-line came not from the ARRL but rather from the Ohio-Penn DX newsletter and was later confirmed by the ARRL DXCC desk. And in a nutshell, here's how it's going to work.

Using an Online DXCC Application, the candidate can select the cards that he or she would like to have checked by a card checker at his or her convenience. The person then types that data into a form which can be saved and retrieved at any time until submitted and make an application for DXCC.

When completed, the applicant will be able to print the list of cards and take the list -- and the cards -- in the same order that they are entered into the form -- to a card checker. He or she will check the cards, note any changes and send the form to ARRL HQ.

For the most part, the card checker's job is exactly the same as before, except he or she does not need to collect a payment. This is because the applicant can pay the DXCC fee on-line.

Once submitted, DXCC staff will have access a given file, make any changes noted by the card checker and process the application.

And oh yes, the good news: The Online DXCC Application will have rates that are half those of a traditional paper QSL application that is sent to ARRL HQ.

More detailed information is on-line at tinyurl.com/dxcc-online

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom, in Los Angeles.

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The bottom line: Submitting a DXCC application on-line should be easier than making a paper application, saving both time and money. (DXCC, OPDX)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the New Orleans

VHF Club net serving New Orleans Louisiana.

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED BROADCASTER IN PUERTO RICO HAS FINE REDUCED

The operator of an unlicensed FM broadcast station in Puerto Rico has been able to convince the FCC to reduce a fine levied against him based on financial hardship.

After being handed a Notice of Apparent Liability in the amount of $15,000, Eleuterio Lebron of Guayama, Puerto Rico responded to the regulatory agency last September. In his note to the agency he claimed that he was not trying to violate the FCC rules or the Communications Act when he operated an unauthorized station on 88.5 MHz. He went on to say that he thought he could use his Ramsey model PX50 transmitter legally without a license because it was marketed as being Part 15 compliant.

However in its findings the FCC disagreed with Lebron interpretation of Ramsey's marketing. It noted that Part 15 compliance wasn't mentioned. It also stated Lebron's ignorance of the rules doesn't justify or mitigate the violation. Especially as he had been warned before that the transmissions were illegal.

However the agency did reduce the penalty to only $1500 based on documentation submitted by Lebron's backing up his assertion that the original $15,000 penalty amounted to a financial hardship that he could not pay. While it accepted this as a viable reason to reduce the fine, the commission warned Lebron that any future violations may result in higher monetary forfeitures that may not be reduced based on his financial circumstances.

Payment of the reduced fine was due within 30 days of Lebron being officially notified of the FCC's decision in the case. (FCC)

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RESTRUCTURING: FCC FORMS BROADBAND SPECTRUM RE-ALLOCATION TASK FORCE

The Federal Communications Commission is proposing to re-allocate another 40 MHz of spectrum out of mobile satellite services spectrum for broadband, and has formed an Incentive Auction Task Force. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reports:

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This is a committee loaded with some well known names in the field of telecommunications. Its purpose will manage the auction process to restructure current broadcast television spectrum for future broadband use.

Ruth Milkman, the former Wireless Bureau chief who is now special counsel to the FCC chairman, will head up the task force. Among others she will be joined by Rick Kaplan, who now heads the FCC's Wireless Division; Julius Knapp, head of the Office of Engineering and Technology; FCC Chief Economist Marius Schwartz; Chief Technologist Henning Schulzrinne and General Counsel Austin Schlick.

Along with the formation of the task force the commission also issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to open up 40 MHz of spectrum in the 2 GHz Mobile Satellite Services band for wireless broadband. The proposed rules would allow flexible use of the targeted spectrum and reflects the directives in the National Broadband Plan.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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A related Notice of Inquiry seeks comment on more strategies to free up additional spectrum as well. (FCC, TVT)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARRL SPONSORING WEBINAR TO HELP YOU PUBLICIZE FIELD DAY

The ARRL Public Relations Committee will be holding a free Webinar on Thursday evening April 12 for Public Information Officers, radio club officers and anyone else wanting to join in. This, to teach the easiest and most effective way to write a press release for Field Day and actually get it noticed by the mass media in your home region.

The webinar will begin at 9 pm Eastern Daylight Time and will run for about 90 minutes. Several experts in mass media communications will be on hand to teach the tricks of the trade in dealing with radio, television and print publications.

Pre-registration is required. To reserve a spot simply take your web browser to tinyurl.com/arrl-field-day-webinar or directly at https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/278619454.

Space is limited so if you want to take part you need to sign up today. (ARRL PR Committee)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: MICROWAVE UPDATE 2012 PUTS OUT CALL FOR PAPERS

This years Microwave Update Conference will be held October 18th to the 21st in Santa Clara, California. Hosted by the 50 MHz and Up Group, a first call is going out to solicit conference papers, presentations and workshops on technical and operational aspects of microwave weak signal amateur radio. This covering the centimeter, millimeter and sub-millimeter to light wavelengths. Tutorials and overviews are also welcome to summarize current know how and to help

and encourage newcomers. For more information on submitting papers as well as all other aspects of the conference please go www.microwaveupdate.org on the World-Wide-Web. (WZ1V)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ESPN EMPLOYEES CREATE THE WORLDWIDE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Current and former employees of the Entertainment and Sports Network, better known to the public as ESPN, have formed the Worldwide Amateur Radio Club. Located on the grounds of the ESPN facility in Bristol, Connecticut, the group has now been granted the club call WE1SPN .

At present the club has about 40 members. Inaugural operations were to take place on 7.177 MHz at 21:00 UTC on March 29th. This opening gala was to include trying to contact as may radio clubs at Disney theme parks as possible.

The Worldwide Amateur Radio Club is the latest bin a long series of broadcast industry based employee recreation entities. It joins similar employee groups at the CBS, NBC, ABC and Fox networks as well as at a number of broadcast stations nationwide and world-wide.

More about WE1SPN can be found by checking the listing page for their callsign on QRZ.com. (KE6ZGP)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: SOUTH AFRICA WESTERN CAPE ANTIQUE WIRELESS ASSOCIATION EXPO

South Africa's Western Cape section of the Antique Wireless Association of South Africa will be holding an Expo over Easter weekend from April 6th to the 9th. Location ids the farm owned by John and Judy Martin, ZS1D, and ZS1JEG and located near the town of Stanford. Featured will be a large display of radios of yesteryear and associated equipment. Also a classic radio station will be in operation. Talk-in is on 145.5 MHz simplex as well as on the 145.725 Hermanus repeater. Those planning to attend are encouraged to bring an antique radio to exhibit. (SARL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3CBR APPOINTED PIO FOR RAC NATIONAL FIELD OFFICE SECRETARIAT

Some names in the news. Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced that Alan Bauld VE3CBR has been appointed Public Information Officer to the Field Organization National Secretariat. VE3CBR resides in Stittsville, Ontario just outside Ottawa, and brings with him an extensive background in both management and amateur radio. His appointment is effective immediately. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RSGB APPOINTS NEW AROS COORDINATOR

The Radio Society of Great Britain has announced the appointment of Keith Bassett, G7NBU has been appointed as the new Amateur Radio Observation Service or AROS Coordinator with Mario Brashill, G2DPA appointed as a deputy. The RSGB says that together they bring significant experience and skill to the Amateur Radio Observation Service with its broad challenges of investigating matters that might create a negative public of amateur radio. (RSGB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ANDY SENNITT TO RETIRE FROM RNW END OF APRIL

Andy Sennitt who edited the now closed Radio Netherlands Media Network weblog says that he will be retiring from that international broadcaster at the end of April. Sennitt says that during his last weeks at Radio Netherlands that he will be writing a series of articles reflecting on the changes in international broadcasting since he started appearing on the Media Network radio show in 1981 as well as looking ahead to the coming decade.

This perspective will be published on the Radio Netherlands English language website. Sennitt asks that if you have any memories of Radio Netherlands or any other international broadcasters that you would like to share, please e-mail them to him. He can be reached at at MediaNetwork (at) rnw (dot) nl. Sennitt adds that he will try to include them in the articles as is possible. (Media Network)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WO4W SAYS BETTER TORNADO WARNING SYSTEM NEEDED

In an interview with National Public Radio, veteran T-V meteorologist James Spann, WO4W, recently highlighted the limitations he and his colleagues face when covering tornadoes. Spann, who has become something of a severe weather pundit during his time at Birmingham Alabama's ABC 33/40, says that we are not as good as we think we are, and we have to accept that and work on it and be better.

WO4W says that television stations must stream their long form tornado coverage in a way that is accessible to all portable devices, not just some of them. And says Spann, its important to make the stream easy to find either via a web page or app. You can hear the story on National Public Radio's All Things Considered at tinyurl.com/npr-tornado-alert.

James Spann has long been an outspoken critic of the siren only warning process and the public's over-reliance on them. Following the April 2011 tornado outbreak he wrote a long blog post about the siren mentality titled "The Warning Process Must Be Fixed." Its on the web at tinyurl.com/spann-tornado-warning (NPR)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE FINAL FRONTIER: NASA ANNOUNCES ISSLIVE! APP

NASA has announced the release of the ISSLive! app for iPhone, iPad and Andoid devices. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, has the details:

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The ISS Live! app delivers live streaming data from the International Space Station. Users can take a virtual 3-D tour of the Mission Control Center and the space station, and view mission control console displays with real-time data. Interactive educational lessons using the data, as well as crew and science timelines with individual crew member, social media and international science experiment details are also available via the app.

The space agency calls ISSLive! an innovative, interactive application that provides a novel way to learn about the International Space Station while on the go. To learn more and find links to download the ISSLive! app, visit spacestationlive.jsc.nasa.gov. That's where you will find the icons for the iPhone App Store and the Android Market.

I'm David Black, KB4KCH, from the South-East bureau in Birmingham, Alabama.

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Once again that URL is spacestationlive.jsc.nasa.gov. (NASA)

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RADIO IN SPACE: NASA CONSIDERING LAGRANGE POINT OUTPOST

NASA is pressing forward on assessing the value of a human-tended outpost near the far side of the moon. One that would embrace international partnerships as well as commercial and academic participation,

According to SPACE.com, William Gerstenmaier is NASA's Associate Administrator for Human Exploration and operations. And in a February 3rd memo Gerstenmaier says that a team is being formed to develop a cohesive plan for exploring a spot in space known as the Earth-moon Lagrange point.

Lagrange points sometimes called liberation points, are places in space where the combined gravitational pull of two large masses roughly balance each other out. This would allow a spacecraft or other object

to essentially park in that spot without being pulled toward either one of the masses.

A pre-memo NASA appraisal of Lagrange Point EML-2, which is near the lunar far side, has spotlighted this destination as the leading option for a near-term space study. EML-2 could serve as a gateway for exploration of multiple destinations including near-lunar space, our own moon, asteroids, the moons of Mars and ultimately, the red planet itself. (Space.com)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE US ISLANDS AWARD PROGRAM

On the air listen out for KL7JR and XYL WL7MY who will be active from the Big Island of Hawaii between April 1st to the 15th. This venture is in celebrating the 18th anniversary of the U.S. Islands Awards program. Operation will be on 80 through 10 meters using the callsign NH7DX. QSL via KL7JR (Southgate)

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ON THE AIR: HAM RADIO COMMEMORATES THE BATTLE OF SHILOH BATTLE

While a bit short notice, word that the NorthEast Mississippi Amateur Radio Club will be operating a special event station March 30th and April 1st. This in honor of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War Battle of Shiloh, in Tennessee.

The ham radio commemorative will have two stations set up on the grounds of the Shiloh Military Park. Frequencies used will be in the lower part of the General class SSB portions of the High Frequency bands which include the Technician frequencies on 10 meters. Certificates and QSL will be available after the operation has concluded.

The ham radio operation will be held in conjunction with a special reenactment held by Blue Gray Alliance. For more information please e-mail event coordinator Charles Buster, NA5MS to cebuster (at) ms (dot) metrocast (dot) net. (NA5MS)

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RADIOSPORTS: THE 2012 HOLYLAND CONTEST APRIL 20 - 21

The 2012 Holyland Contest sponsored by the Israel Amateur Radio Club is slated to begin on Friday, April 20th at 21:00 UTC and conclude on Saturday April 21st at 21.00 UTC. Special trophies and newly certificates will be issued to participating hams and SWL's for different classes and modes of operation. The Israel Amateur Radio Club adds that it invites the world-wide ham radio community to be on the bands during the contest as an exercise in the spirit of friendship between all radio amateurs. More about the contest is on line at www.iarc.org. (4Z0X)

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In DX, F8ATS will be active portable 6W from Senegal between March 30th and April 7th. Operations will be holiday style probably on all HF bands. QSL via the Bureau is preferred.

DL7BC will be on the air from Mayotte through April 6th using the callsign TO7BC on 80 through 10 meters. QSL to his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

OH4MDY will be active as XV2RZ from Vietnam until April 16th and says that this time he will pay special attention to digital modes. No frequencies or operating hours are known. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

ZB3M and ZB2ER will activate the special callsigns ZQ3M and ZQ2ER from Gibraltar between May 5th and June 10th. This operation is to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II. QSL via ZB3M direct only. No bureau or electronic QSL's will be accepted for this one.

An international team will activate the callsign E51M from the North Cook Islands from March 28th to April 10th. They will operate on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The QSL manager is DJ8NK.

Lastly, KV1J will be operating from Miquelon Island stroke F-P between July 10th and the 17th. His activity will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will generally be on the highest frequency band that is open, and he may try 6 meters if there is an indications of propagation. Also, look for him on the satellites, weather permitting. QSL via KV1J, direct, via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: STRANGE MORSE FROM SPACE

And finally this week, it appears as if radio astronomers have discovered mysterious sources of extremely high-powered radiation across the universe. Amateur Radio Newsline's Newsline's space-faring, roving reporter Pierre Pullinmyleg, says that hams are helping to unravel the mystery.

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Scientists at NASA say the Fermi space telescope has discovered hundreds of super-high-energy gamma ray sources at the very top end of the electromagnetic spectrum, and that more than a third of them are complete mysteries. Adding to the mystery is the pattern of these gamma rays on spectrograms, showing short bursts of energy that resemble dots and longer ones that look like dashes.

Several radio astronomers who are also radio amateurs noticed these patterns and performed two sets of calculations with amazing results. The frequencies on which the gamma ray sources were discovered correspond with the two-billionth harmonic of 20 meters, and distance calculations show that, had the signals originated on Earth and been re-radiated back toward us, the dates of origin always seem to match up with the dates of major CW contests here on Earth.

One spectrogram currently making the rounds in ham radio astronomy circles clearly shows a pattern which, in Morse code, would read: "Di-dah, di-dah-dah-dit, di-dah-dit, di-dit, di-dah-di-dit," followed by a space and "di-di-dah-dit, dah-dah-dah, dah-dah-dah, di-dah-di-dit." Another reason, they say, to know code.

Reporting from near Alpha Centauri, this is Pierre Pullinmyleg for Newsline.

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More details on the Fermi Space Telescope's findings and current sample spectrograms are available online at science dot nasa dot gov. We are told that the spectrograms Pierre alluded to in his report are not scheduled to be released until sometime after the 1st of April, in the year 2112. (Pierre Pullinmyleg Annual April 1st Technology Report)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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437. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 30 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-30 11:09:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8a7eb1622c04bc73ddce@google.com>
Source record: 3304
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Around the World 28 MHz Balloon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DTFklQU258Q/around_the_world_28_mhz_balloon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A long duration balloon mission that is using 6 Party Balloons to carry a
50 gram amateur radio 28.222 MHz CW beacon, is hoping to go around the world

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New Irish Radio Enthusiast website launched

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UtV6THeUfSY/new_irish_radio_enthusiast_website_launched.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new Irish Radio enthusiast website was launched a few weeks ago.
AirwavesIreland caters for all aspects of the radio hobby from SWL's,
Amateurs to Aviation and SAR monitors

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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The return of active sunspot AR1429

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SV-b0FLVYMk/the_return_of_active_sunspot_ar1429.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sunspot AR1429, the source of many strong flares and geomagnetic storms
earlier this month, is about to re-appear following a two-week trip around
the backside of the sun

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CT2JSF to SOTA from Monte de Santa Luzia, Portugal

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ghtoxM2D4Fs/sota_from_monte_de_santa_luzia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Filipe Mesquita - CT2JSF will be active from the Monte de Santa Luzia near Viana do Castelo, in Northern Portugal, for the program SOTA Portugal

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PgSzyZNKfKg/march_30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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RSGB President to visit Lough Erne Radio Rally

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rGpgpkAvd40/rsgb_president_to_visit_lough_erne_radio_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club is delighted to learn that Dave Wilson M0OBW, RSGB President, is to visit the Lough Erne Radio Rally this Sunday 1 April in the SHARE Centre near Lisnaskea in County Fermanagh

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Renewal of UK beacon and repeater public/products liability insurance

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/o7DoPFvClgw/renewal_of_beacon_and_repeater_insurance.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB have issued a statement regarding the insurance policy for repeaters and beacons

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-30 16:06:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340b3dc08cb504bc7806c0@google.com>
Source record: 3305
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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CQ columnist Fred Maia, W5YI, SK

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 08:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340155-CQ-columnist-Fred-Maia-W5YI-SK&goto=newpost

CQ columnist Fred Maia, W5YI, a leading amateur radio journalist, educator and pioneer of volunteer examining, passed away on March 28 after a battle with cancer.

Maia, 76, published "The W5YI Report," dubbed "America's Oldest Ham Radio Newsletter," from 1978 to 2003, and has been a CQ contributing editor since 1985. His regulatory affairs column, first titled "Ticket Talk," then "Washington Readout," offered news and perspective on FCC and ITU (International Telecommunication Union) actions, and helped untold numbers of hams wend their way through often-confusing mazes of the volunteer examining and vanity call sign systems.

"Fred was one of those unusual people who was more focused on doing the job than he was on getting credit for doing it," noted CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA. "His 'job' was to help this hobby grow, and he succeeded admirably."

Maia was also a driving force in amateur and commercial radio licensing and education materials since late 1970. He was the first Volunteer Examiner Coordinator appointed by the Federal Communications Commission in 1984, and his W5YI-VEC group grew into the nation's second-largest VEC after the ARRL. Fred served as President of the W5YI-VEC until his retirement in October of 2000. In 1986, he founded The W5YI Group to develop, publish and sell amateur and commercial radio license study materials. Fred also formed National Radio Examiners to provide examination services as a Commercial Operator License Examination Manager (COLEM), and co-wrote a commercial radio licensing study manual with Gordon West, WB6NOA.

As a longtime member of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) and its Question Pool Committee (QPC), which develops and maintains the question pools for amateur radio license exams, Fred was deeply involved in many of the changes in amateur radio licensing over the past quarter century. This includes the phased elimination of Morse code requirements for amateur licenses and the current system of three license classes, Technician, General and Amateur Extra.

A resident of Arlington, Texas, Fred was a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Radio Operator□s School, and was first licensed as an amateur radio operator as a teenager in Rhode Island, where he grew up. He is survived by

his wife, Doris, and two daughters. A memorial service will be held,
3:00pm, Saturday March 31, 2012 at Moore Funeral Home, 1219 North Davis
Dr. ,Arlington, TX 76012.

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Around the World 28 MHz Balloon

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 12:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340118-Around-the-World-28-MHz-Balloon&goto=newpost

Around the World 28 MHz Balloon

A long duration balloon mission that is using 6 Party Balloons to carry a
50 gram amateur radio 28.222 MHz CW beacon, is hoping to go around the
world.

The ballon was released at 2330 UT (1930 EDT) March 29, from Annapolis in
Maryland and started it's journey heading SE at 6 knots. By 0300 UT, March
30, it had reached a speed of 60 MPH (96 km/h).

It has no APRS, just the 28.222 MHz CW telemetry system and it is hoped to
locate it by signal strength and beam headings only.

The mission is to give an insight into constant-pressure balloons and
especially the use of common mylar party balloons as a fixed volume
envelope. Unfortunately, these balloons have a high mass and so the
theoretical maximum altitude no matter how many balloons are used is only
about 26,000 feet and that is with no payload other than the fixed balloon
mass.

The payload weighs about 50 grams. The team are targeting 6 party balloons
3' in diameter which should give a float altitude around 16,000 feet. The
Telemetry will be in CW on 28.222 MHz (USB DIAL) and will contain Battery
voltage, inside and outside temperatures, and surface luminosity of the
ocean/clouds. It has no GPS. The team will rely entirely on DF bearings and
signal reports.

EMAIL DF reports to W3ADO@homeside.to

Be sure to include:

Your LAT/LONG

Time of observation

Quality of heading (subjective 1 to 10)

The CW string copied

If you have APRS you can uplink your beam heading via APRS.

As the balloon is only flying at 16,000 feet or so it will be vulnerable to
weather. The battery is expected to have a lifetime of about 10 days.

Further information including details of CW telemetry at

http://aprs.org/balloons.html

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CWops Announces the CW Academy

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340044-CWops-Announces-the-CW-Academy&goto=newpost

Whether you□re a newbie who wants to learn Morse code for the first time, a re-tread who wants to clean the rust off your key or a roadrunner who wants to break the 20 wpm wall, the CW Academy has a place for you.

The CWA was created by the CWops club in August, 2011 to provide a place for students of all levels to work with mentors, on and off the air, to learn or improve their CW language skills. It□s fun and, better yet, it□s free!

□For nearly four years I've been trying to learn CW on my own with some small degree of success,□ says Gary, W4GDC. □I was able to send and receive about 8 words per minute with some accuracy. About a month ago I was browsing the CWops website□s CW Academy page and decided to ask for a mentor. Jack W0UCE contacted me within a few days and we arranged a first session. All went well so we set up a regular mentoring schedule. To my surprise I was able to copy 20 wpm within two weeks.□

Following a contact in the ARRL□s Rookie Roundup Pete, W1RM, suggested to Tom, KC9RXI that he enroll in the CWA. Recently, Pete received this email: □Thank you for telling me about the CWops academy. Art, K6XT, is a wonderful mentor. Art□s expertise, thoughtful suggestions and encouragement have made me a better CW operator. For the last three months Art and I have had weekly on air contacts on 30 meters.□

Michael, KF7ADB was a □no-code□ ham, licensed in 2009. But he was intrigued by the dits and dahs that he heard at the low end of the bands. He knew he had to learn CW. □It didn't come easy, but within a few months I managed to learn the code well enough to have a slow-speed QSO and not embarrass myself too much,□ he wrote us. □Over time my CW skills improved but I hit a plateau at about 13WPM. By this time I had also picked up several bad habits, including having to write each character down on a notepad as I heard it. When the other person stopped sending, I□d look down at what I had written on my notepad and hope it made sense.□ After about three weeks of nightly on-air sessions with a CWA mentor Michael was able to copy 30 wpm in his head. This □ opened up a number of opportunities for me in the world of amateur radio, including CW DXing and being invited to operate (at a big) multi-op CW contest (station).□ His improved skills also allowed Michael to become a member of CWops, #869.

Currently, the CW Academy is working with about 35 students and more than 40 club members are serving as mentors. Both numbers are growing each week.

Check-out the CW Academy at: www.cwopsacademy.org and let us help you get up to speed!

For more information contact:

Ed, KR3E: kr3e@arrl.net

Alan, W4MQC: w4mqc@arrl.net

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NTIA Clarifies Position on 60 Meter Digital Privileges

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 11:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339910-NTIA-Clarifies-Position-on-60-Meter-Digital-Privileges&goto=newpost

NTIA Clarifies Position on 60 Meter Digital Privileges

☐NTIA has no interest in limiting the types of emission used by the amateurs as long as the data emission does not exceed the 2.8 kHz bandwidth generated by the upper sideband transmitter.☐

More details here:

http://www.arrl.org/news/ntia-clarif...tal-privileges

439. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 30 March 2012

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Source record: 3306
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Radio Astronomy Special Event

Posted: 29 Mar 2012 02:37 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340061-Radio-Astronomy-Special-Event&goto=newpost

Special Event Station to Mark Radio Telescope Rededication

The National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) Amateur Radio Club will operate Special Event Station W9GFZ on Saturday, March 31, and Sunday, April 1, to mark the official renaming of the Very Large Array (VLA) radio telescope as the Karl G. Jansky Very Large Array.

The new name honors Karl Jansky, who founded radio astronomy by discovering radio emission from the center of the Milky Way Galaxy while investigating short-wave noise at Bell Telephone Laboratories in 1932. The club's callsign, W9GFZ, is that of Grote Reber, who, after learning of Jansky's discovery, designed and constructed the first purpose-built radio telescope in his Illinois backyard in 1937.

The special event station will be operated from NRAO's Domenici Science Operations Center in Socorro, New Mexico. It will operate on the lower portions of the General HF bands. The operation will begin at 2100 UTC on March 31, and continue while propagation lasts. It will resume at 1500 UTC on 1 April.

QSLs should be sent to:

NRAO Amateur Radio Club

P.O. Box O

Socorro, NM 87801

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This is the weekend for Merit Badge In A Day And A Ham To Stay Over 200 Boy Scouts

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 12:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339916-This-is-the-weekend-for-Merit-Badge-In-A-Day-And-A-Ham-To-Stay-Over-200-Boy-Scouts&goto=newpost

As seen at CambriaRadio.com this is the weekend for Merit Badge In A Day And A Ham To Stay. :rolleyes:

There will be a Ham Shack for ham radio operations by the scouts and other areas for merit badge work and VE Testing. Operating frequencies are posted at CambriaRadio.com and http://www.qrz.com/db/k3b

Over 200 boy scouts and 50+ scout leaders will be attending as well as many hams from around the area with the support of at least 2 ARC's. This event sure has grown from the simple idea it started as. Please visit CambriaRadio.com and http://www.qrz.com/db/k3b for more detail. Many cool things on the agenda.

TO RECEIVE A QSL CARD FROM THIS EVENT, LOG YOUR QSO ON YOUR QSL CARD OR ON A SLIP OF PAPER, SEND IT WITH YOUR S.A.S.E TO: SPECIAL EVENT K3B PO BOX 53 MINERAL POINT PA, 15942 ANY CARDS RECEIVED WILL BE SCANNED AND POSTED ON OUR RESULTS WEB SITE. WE HOPE TO REACH AROUND THE WORLD. You may also request a .PDF format QSL via e-mail by sending your contact detail to K3B@CambriaRadio.com (in the subject line enter: QSL REQUEST K3B) http://www.qrz.com/db/k3b

Questions can be sent to KB3REA@CambriaRadio.com or by calling Herb at 814 254-6383

Talk in on KC3DES 145.210- PL 123... Radio Operations Controlled By Dave N3YFO N3YFO@CambriaRadio.com

FREE VE Testing for the Scouts Conducted by Scott N3XCC N3XCC@CambriaRadio.com

When: March 31- April 1, 2012

Where: New Germany Grove

Time: 0800 -1630

Cost to the scouts $0.00

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Cambria Radio Club

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Special Event Station PH4RTM/WHE

Posted: 27 Mar 2012 01:53 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?339800-Special-Event-Station-PH4RTM-WHE&goto=newpost

In Venlo will be the World Horticultural Expo, THE FLORIADE .Check this web site http://www.floriade.com/ ,

For this occasion there will be a group off operators active on all Bands in all mode`s, with the Call PH4RTM/WHE., from 05-13 April 2012 .

QSL will be returned 100% via the Bureau . Via PH4RTM , Wim.

440. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1055.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-30 19:47:55 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <81240.2958.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3307
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1055.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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March 30, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
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Clusters Network, ARRL Bulletins and W2VU for the following DX information.

SB SPCL @ ARL $ARLX002
ARLX002 Fred Maia, W5YI, (SK)

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Special Bulletin 2 ARLX002
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 30, 2012
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLX002
ARLX002 Fred Maia, W5YI, (SK)

The holder of one of the best-known US Amateur Radio call signs,
Frederick (Fred) Maia, W5YI, died of cancer Wednesday, March 28. He
was 76 and was a resident of Arlington, Texas.

Fred was a leading Amateur Radio journalist for nearly 35 years and
a pioneer of the volunteer examining program adopted by the FCC in
1984.

Maia published "The W5YI Report," dubbed "America's Oldest Ham Radio
Newsletter," from 1978 to 2003, and has been a CQ contributing
editor since 1985. His regulatory affairs column, first titled
"Ticket Talk," then "Washington Readout," offered news and
perspective on FCC Regulations and ITU actions. His final column
will appear in the May 2012 issue of CQ.

After the FCC adopted volunteer examining for all levels of Amateur
Radio licensing in 1984, Fred became the first Volunteer Examiner
Coordinator (VEC) appointed by the FCC. Fred subsequently founded
The W5YI Group in 1986 to develop, publish and sell amateur and

commercial radio license study materials. In the realm of FCC commercial radio licensing, Fred formed National Radio Examiners to provide examination services.

Maia served as President of the W5YI-VEC until his retirement in October of 2000 when he sold The W5YI Group study material products to Master Publishing, Inc. The retail operations were purchased by General Manager Larry Pollock, NB5X, newly appointed President of the W5YI-VEC and National Radio Examiners organizations. Maia continued writing "The W5YI Report" newsletter until July 2003.

A graduate of the US Air Force Radio Operators School, Fred was an avid CW operator. He was first licensed as a teenager as W1NTK in Brockton, Massachusetts, where he grew up. Maia was later licensed as W5UTT, and held DXCC CW awards and EU-PX-A CW. He was a member of QCWA and Life Member of the ARRL.

For several decades, Maia also served on the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) as a member of the Question Pool Committee that oversees the development and maintenance of the Amateur Radio license examination question pools.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, commented: "Amateur Radio is healthier today because of the tireless efforts of Fred Maia. While Fred did not always see things quite the same way as the ARRL, in my experience he always had the best interests of Amateur Radio at heart. He was a major figure who will be sorely missed."

He is survived by his wife, Doris, and two daughters. A memorial service will be held at 3 PM, Saturday, March 31, at Moore Funeral Home, 1219 North Davis Dr, Arlington, TX 76012.
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From the CQ Newsroom...

CQ Columnist Fred Maia, W5YI, Silent Key
Amateur Radio Examiner, Educator, Author was 76

CQ columnist Fred Maia, W5YI, a leading amateur radio journalist, educator and pioneer of volunteer examining, passed away on March 28 after a battle with cancer.
Maia, 76, published "The W5YI Report," dubbed "America's Oldest Ham Radio Newsletter," from 1978 to 2003, and has been a CQ contributing editor since 1985. His regulatory affairs column, first titled "Ticket Talk," then "Washington Readout," offered news and perspective on FCC and ITU (International Telecommunication Union) actions, and helped untold numbers of hams wend their way through often-confusing mazes of the volunteer examining and vanity call sign systems.
"Fred was one of those unusual people who was more focused on doing the job than he was on getting credit for doing it," noted CQ Publisher

Dick Ross, K2MGA. "His 'job' was to help this hobby grow, and he succeeded admirably."
Maia was also a driving force in amateur and commercial radio licensing and education materials since late 1970. He was the first Volunteer Examiner Coordinator appointed by the Federal Communications Commission in 1984, and his W5YI-VEC group grew into the nation's second-largest VEC after the ARRL. Fred served as President of the W5YI-VEC until his retirement in October of 2000. In 1986, he founded The W5YI Group to develop, publish and sell amateur and commercial radio license study materials.
Fred also formed National Radio Examiners to provide examination services as a Commercial Operator License Examination Manager (COLEM), and co-wrote a commercial radio licensing study manual with Gordon West, WB6NOA.
As a longtime member of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) and its Question Pool Committee (QPC), which develops and maintains the question pools for amateur radio license exams, Fred was deeply involved in many of the changes in amateur radio licensing over the past quarter century. This includes the phased elimination of Morse code requirements for amateur licenses and the current system of three license classes, Technician, General and Amateur Extra.
A resident of Arlington, Texas, Fred was a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Radio Operator's School, and was first licensed as an amateur radio operator as a teenager in Rhode Island, where he grew up. He is survived by his wife, Doris, and two daughters. A memorial service will be held, 3:00pm, Saturday March 31, 2012 at Moore Funeral Home, 1219 North Davis Dr., Arlington, TX 76012.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 ( F A X only! )
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=unsubscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

441. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 31 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-31 11:07:01 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e842cca009804bc87f34b@google.com>
Source record: 3308
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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CQ Columnist Fred Maia, W5YI, Silent Key

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zjWngjra1GY/fred_maia_w5yi_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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AROS Coordinator appointments

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qF40eJDoQrU/aros_coordinator_appointments.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the vacancy advertised in RadCom and the RSGB website, Keith Bassett, G7NBU has been appointed as the new AROS Coordinator. Mario Brashill, G2DPA has been appointed as a deputy

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Devon Buses to go Digital

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6tDx8CHJGOk/devon_buses_to_go_digital.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Land Mobile magazine reports that bus operator, Stagecoach South West, is to upgrade the analogue radio communications system used by its buses in Devon to a new digital system

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V51VHF Beacons

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q-PqsEdD5BU/v51vhf_beacons.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 70 MHz and 144 MHz V51VHF beacons are now on the air from Namibia for Trans-Equatorial Propagation (TEP) observations

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Questions for the RSGB AGM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DLXwhTvGD8Y/questions_for_the_rsgb_agm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For those unable to attend the RSGB AGM on 21 April in Bedford, it is now possible to table a question for the meeting

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British Legion special event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sY8-yA-dNs4/british_legion_special_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The British Legion was founded on 1 July 1921 and members of South Derbyshire and Ashby Woulds Amateur Radio Group are planning a special event station to mark the event. They are looking for other amateur radio groups to join in

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End of the Grand Solar Maximum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/exO55fNwmB0/end_of_the_grand_solar_maximum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Luke Barnard of the University of Reading says the recent decline in the open magnetic flux of the Sun heralds the end of the Grand Solar Maximum (GSM) that has persisted throughout the space age

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/d_ED4m62SWc/wca_3103.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Details of more operations for the World Castles Award, including a number taking place today

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The R1155 Receiver video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vDM52rqnlSU/r1155_receiver_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The R1155 receiver and its companion transmitter the T1154 were used in many of the UK's larger aircraft during WWII, especially the Lancaster and Sunderland

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Get Amateur Radio News headlines for YOUR website

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lines_for_your_website.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Would you like to have constantly changing amateur radio news for your website?
Now you can, and it's easy too. Just paste a little bit of code into your web page and that's it.. job done!

442. eHam.net News for Friday 30 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-31 13:38:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357e9d3158504bc7d2094@google.com>
Source record: 3309
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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8 Lucas County Hospitals Get New Emergency Radios:

Posted: 29 Mar 2012 06:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28000

LUCAS COUNTY, OH (WTOL) - Eight Lucas County Hospitals are receiving a total of 12 upgraded two-way radios for emergency communications. The new radios replace single band units currently in use with dual band ones and allow the added option of digital communications. The radios were paid for by a U.S. Department of Health and Human Services grant. The grant proposal was submitted by members of Lucas County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES).

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Local Radio Operators Love To Ham It Up:

Posted: 29 Mar 2012 06:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27999

The men and women at the Grand Prairie Ham Radio Operators Club don't start with their names when they introduce themselves. They start with their call signs. "KC5YHQ, Bob Glover." "K5NDX, Randy Geater." Long before there were cell phones, the Internet or e-mail, there was Ham radio, amateur radio operators who communicated worldwide. But even with all these breakthroughs in modern communications, Ham radio is still around, and there are ardent practitioners in Arkansas County. The Grand Prairie Ham Radio Operators Club met Saturday in Pendleton Park to participate in an event with another club broadcasting from Pinnacle Mountain near Little Rock. Before getting started, club president Randy Geater of Almyra read an e-mail outlining the procedure for the event. He gives the frequencies and times that the STAR (Small Town Amateur Radio) club will be using for the Summit on the Air." "This is a fun event for us," Geater said. At 10 a.m., Bob Glover starts tuning up the equipment, looking for the signal from Pinnacle Mountain. He works with two antennas, one omni-directional, another that operates in one direction "like a beam. It sucks the signal in." Eventually the contact is made, faint but clear. Tonya Geater, who is also an avid Ham radio operator, records it in the logbook.

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Limestone County Ham Radio Operators Help Emergency Workers:

Posted: 29 Mar 2012 06:43 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27998

The Limestone Amateur Radio Emergency Services Club jumps into action when severe weather threatens.

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Titanic, Role of Marconi Wireless Station Cross Paths At Cape Cod:

Posted: 29 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27997

The RMS Titanic and the Marconi wireless station on Cape Cod crossed paths a century ago on a dark day for history. At Cape Cod National Seashore, where the site of that wireless station remains, the sinking of the Titanic will be commemorated during a weeklong affair. The Titanic with her 2,240 passengers and crew set out from Southhampton, England, for what was expected to be a five-day crossing of the Atlantic to the Port of New York. But four days after departing on April 11, 1912, the Titanic plunged to the ocean floor after striking an iceberg in the North Atlantic. The fate of the steamship and the 1,500 souls lost is ingrained in the American memory, and has inspired countless books and films. A fact that surprises many is that Marconi's wireless station in Wellfleet played a significant role in the rescue of 740 survivors. Titanic 100 Years Later and Marconi's Wireless Technology is a week-long commemoration featuring programs by Cape Cod National Seashore, the Falmouth Amateur Radio Association, and the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center to remember the souls lost and interpret wireless communication. All activities are free and open to the public. In addition to films and special commemorative activities throughout the week, on certain days radio operators will communicate with others around the world to honor the role that Marconi's technology played in the rescue. Seven-hundred-and-forty passengers and crew were rescued by the Carpathia as a result of wireless messages sent from the Marconi Station. Today, the station site is preserved within Cape Cod National Seashore.

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CWops Announces the CW Academy:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27996

Whether you're a newbie who wants to learn Morse code for the first time, a re-tread who wants to clean the rust off your key or a roadrunner who wants to break the 20 wpm wall, the CW Academy has a place for you.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #13:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27995

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27994

This Week in Radiosport:

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NTIA -- No Objection to Additional Data Modes on 60-Meters:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27993

In response to requests for clarification from the ARRL, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has confirmed that it has no objection to the use of a broader range of data emissions by amateurs on the five 5 MHz frequencies on 60 meters.

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Online DXCC Application to Debut April 2:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27992

Beginning April 2 at 12:01 AM EDT (0401 UTC), the ARRL's new Online DXCC tool will be ready to accept applications, allowing hams to supply the data from traditional paper QSLs in a digital form to apply for a new DXCC award or endorsement. Submitting a DXCC application using Online DXCC is easier than making a paper application, saving both time and money.

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Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, is an Analog Man:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27991

Grammy Award winning rock-and-roll legend Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, returns with Analog Man, set to be released June 5. This is Walsh's first solo album since 1992's Songs for a Dying Planet. According to Walsh's website, Analog Man is both modern and timelessly soulful, packed with Walsh's wit, charm and chops; it delivers an incredibly raw and intimate sound. "It's been 20 years and I have a lot to say," Walsh explained. "These songs [on Analog Man] come from the heart."

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Two Positions Open at ARRL HQ:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27990

The League is currently looking to fill two open positions at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. One position is in the Membership and Volunteer Programs Department and the other is in the Education Services Department. Travel is required for these full-time positions.

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QST Author Seriously Injured:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27989

Commander Richard Paton, USCGR (Ret) -- author of "Radio's Role in the Titanic Disaster" in the April 2012 issue of QST -- was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident in Tolland, Connecticut on March 22. He is in the Intensive Care Unit at Hartford Hospital.

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Luxembourg Issues Stamp to Celebrate 75 Years of Amateur Radio:

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27988

Luxembourg Issues Stamp to Celebrate 75 Years of Amateur Radio:

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Fred Maia, W5YI (SK):

Posted: 28 Mar 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/27987

Fred Maia, W5YI, passed away 3/28/2012 after a long battle with cancer.

443. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 31 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-31 16:38:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340405eefc1304bc8c9401@google.com>
Source record: 3310
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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C6AGW, Bahamas Islands round trip by I2VGW

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 12:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340204-C6AGW-Bahamas-Islands-round-trip-by-I2VGW&goto=newpost

From April 26th to May 6th, 2012 I2VGW will be on air as C6AGW from The Bahamas Is. In particular he'll operate from New Providence Is. (NA 001), Bimini Islands, (NA048), Berry Islands (NA054) and Long Island (NA-001).

For further infos and details, visit the official website
http://www.mdxc.org/c6agw

73, Max

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Special Event station PC100T

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 11:21 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340190-Special-Event-station-PC100T&goto=newpost

At the 14th of April 2012 it was one hundred years ago that the Titanic went

down in the Atlantic Ocean.

We commemmorate this with this special call sign.

View PC100T for full information. (Event schedule)

QSL manager PA7HPH.

444. SO...what's happened to ham radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-31 18:12:42 UTC
From: Bob Myers <bobmyersco@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <24453108.1662.1333217562030.JavaMail.geo-discussion-forums@ynnk21>
Source record: 3311

Friends, consider me as someone who's been in a coma for the past 20 years, at least as far as ham radio is concerned. I've been licensed for nearly 40 years (started out with my Novice ticket - WN9MXR - and an HW-16 with a handful of 40m crystals, back in Indiana in the early 70s), but have been almost completely out of touch with the hobby for about half that time. I still have a valid license (an honest-to-Gawd Advanced, which I'm led to believe is somewhat rare these days, and I've been told that I could easily get an Extra now), but outside of occasionally checking in on one of the local repeaters via a 2m HT, I have, for one reason or another, just be unable to be active for a long, long time.

So now I'm looking to get back into things, but a quick glance around has been enough to tell me that a lot has changed since I've been away. So my question to everyone here (and especially other Olde Fartes like myself who have roots in the 70s or 80s but DIDN'T spend the last 20 years elsewhere): what's going on in ham radio these days? How does it compare with the hobby I remember? What's new, what hasn't changed, and what has, for better or for worse?

Thanks in advance,

Bob M. (KC0EW)

445. SARL News in English 31/3/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-31 18:55:49 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <CEF20AD4B4BB4429B1F3ABDCA0E9DC32@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3312
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 1 APRIL 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

Your license fee is due now Online DXCC application to debut on 2 April

YOUR LICENCE FEE IS DUE NOW

The Amateur Radio license fee of R120 is due today. You may also renew for five years at a reduced fee of R501. If you do not receive a renewal notice, the SARL recommends that you pay by using the license number on last year's invoice and your callsign. Also mail the payment notification plus your address to KMashile@icasa.org.za. It is essential for all payments to ICASA that you include your callsign as a payment reference. Also remember to send any postal and email address changes to admin@sarl.org.za

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO REGISTER FOR THE SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

Have you booked for the 2012 SARL National Convention? If you have not, do it now. Here are some of the highlights. On Friday evening join a finger supper and an historical journey on "How SA's electronics industry started in Pinetown On Saturday morning attend the SARL Annual General Meeting and on Saturday afternoon learn about how to build VHF/UHF antennas and get DXing with Log Book of the World.

On Saturday evening join the annual the awards dinner with a keynote address by Dr Andrew Collier of SANSA Space Sciences. There will lots of prizes to be won in the lucky draw. On Sunday morning the convention is rounded off with a leisurely breakfast in the Japanese Gardens.

Full details and registration forms can be found on www.sarl.org.za. Your hosts at the SARL National Convention are the committee and

members of the Highway Amateur Radio Club.

PROMOTING AMATEUR RADIO

Promoting amateur radio will take centre stage this coming Wednesday, the 4th of April, at the Sacred Heart College in Observatory, Gauteng. The SARL was approached a few weeks ago to establish whether we could assist in making their school's science day more interesting by doing a display of what amateur radio is about and how it works.

Chris Gryffenberg, ZS6COG, who is already involved at the Sci Bono Centre and the Department of Education and Francois Botha, ZS6BUU representing Hamnet, put their ideas together and decided on a plan for the morning.

The Gauteng South Hamnet trailer will be on display and we anticipate going on air from around 9 am to 12:30 on the day, on both HF and VHF frequencies.

We wish to invite other operators around Gauteng and further afield to listen out for us on 40 m on Wednesday the 4th of April on the Hamnet frequency of 7,110 MHz and some local Johannesburg repeater frequencies. We would like to call you in so the learners can hear what our hobby is all about!

We will also get the youngsters to get the feel the hobby with some hands on experience on air.

So listen out for us on Wednesday morning from the Sacred Heart College in Johannesburg.

ONLINE DXCC APPLICATION TO DEBUT ON 2 APRIL

>From 2 April the ARRL's new Online DXCC tool will be ready to accept applications, allowing hams to supply the data from traditional paper QSLs in a digital form to apply for a new DXCC award or endorsement. Submitting a DXCC application using Online DXCC is easier than making a paper application, saving both time and money.

Using the Online DXCC Application, the user can select the cards that he or she would like to have checked by a card checker and, at his or her convenience, type that data into a form (which can be saved and retrieved at any time until submitted) and make an application for DXCC. When the application is finished, the participant will be able to print the list of cards and take the list and the cards (in the same order that they are entered into the form) to a card checker who will check the cards, note any changes and send the form to ARRL HQ. The card checker's job is exactly the same as before, except he or she does not need to collect a payment as the client can pay online. Once submitted, DXCC staff can access the file submitted by the client, quickly make any changes noted by the card checker and process the application. The Online DXCC Application will have rates that are half those of a traditional paper QSL application that is sent to ARRL HQ.

Keep in mind that QSL cards will still need to be checked if you use the Online DXCC Application, either by a DXCC Card Checker or sent to ARRL HQ for checking. Card checking in South Africa is done by SARL Awards Manager, Tjerk Lammers ZS6P.

Any radio amateur in the world -- ARRL member or non-member -- may use the Online DXCC Application.

JOE WALSH, WB6ACU, IS AN ANALOG MAN

Grammy Award-winning rock-and-roll legend Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, returns with Analog Man, set to be released June 5. This is Walsh's first solo album since 1992's Songs for a Dying Planet. According to Walsh's website, Analog Man is both modern and timelessly soulful, packed with Walsh's wit, charm and chops; it delivers an incredibly raw and intimate sound. "It's been 20 years and I have a lot to say," Walsh explained. "These songs come from the heart."

Walsh -- best known for his powerful guitar licks -- joined the Eagles in 1976 and is credited for bringing a harder rock sound to the band with the acclaimed Hotel California, The Long Run and Eagles Live.

No stranger to the analog way of life, Walsh -- an ARRL Life Member -- enjoys operating on 80 metres AM. AM -- or amplitude modulation -- has been around the amateur bands since the 1930s. AM offers a warm, rich audio quality that provides for more personal interaction. The simplicity of AM circuit design encourages hands-on restoration, modification and homebrew construction to an extent no longer found among contemporary radios. Many hams who operate AM say they enjoy the simple, roomy electrical and mechanical designs of the older radios, claiming that they can more easily be modified and tinkered with than their modern counterparts. Other enthusiasts claim that these vintage radios sound better than their silicon descendants, saying that the tube audio from vintage gear is "warmer" and more aesthetically pleasing than the audio produced by the typical modern transceiver.

A self-proclaimed analog man, Walsh refers playfully to the new digital age in the album's title track. He notes that he has adapted to the digital age, but says "I am what I am -- I'm an analog man." Walsh developed the album over the last 10 years, drawing on personal experiences to breathe life into each track. "I just really feel like it's all come together and finally I feel like a complete person and a complete musician," he said. "I think there is some confidence in there that I never had. That's what I was hiding Check out Analog Man -- the title track of Walsh's new album and details of his South African tour starting on 4 April in Cape Town at http://www.joewalsh.com/

CONTEST NEWS

CONSTESTS IN APRIL

SARL 80 m QSO Party and RaDAR Contests

The first leg of the SARL 80 m QSO Party will be run on Thursday evening 5 April from 17:00 to 20:00 UTC. It is a phone only contest using the segments 3 603 to 3650 and 3700 to 3800 kHz. The exchange is your call sign, an RS report and your name.

The first leg of the Rapid Deployment Amateur Radio or RaDAR Contest will be run on Saturday 7 April starting at 12:00 UTC and ending at 18:00 UTC. Activity is on all HF Contest bands, VHF and UHF using CW, SSB, AM, FM or any digital mode. The exchange is your call sign, your name, a RS(T) report, QTH and grid locator.

Find all the information on page 39 and 41 of the 2012 SARL Contest Manual, also the RaDAR Facebook page.

CLUB NEWS

The Hibiscus Coast Amateur Radio Club, ZS5HAC, held its annual general meeting on 25 March 2012 at Cinder City, Seapark, Port Shepstone. At this meeting the following office bearers were elected: Chairperson: Sid Tyler, ZS5AYC; Secretary: Herman Horn, ZS5LH; Treasurer: Brian Burger, ZS5AZH; Technical: Jan Coetzee, ZS5JC; Hamnet Liaison: To be appointed; Public Relations: Sid Tyler; Contest Managers: Jan Coetzee, ZS5JC; Light House Coordinator: Gawie Hoon: ZS5R; and Youth Coordinator: Emmerelda Coetzee, ZU5EM.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Currently only small, stable sunspots are facing the earth. The reappearance of Sunspot 1429, that was the source of many strong flares earlier this month, is eagerly awaited following a two week trip around the back side of the sun.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 74.

All the bands from 20 m to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 5 April - SARL 80 m QSO Party and RaDAR competition 7 April - RaDAR competition 6-9 April - Western Cape Antique Wireless Association Ekspo near Stanford, contact John, ZS1WJ, on 082 673 5337 for more information. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a

web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Fritz, ZS6SF.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

446. eHam.net News for Saturday 31 March 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-03-31 22:12:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517cc3e8ea53304bc9141b3@google.com>
Source record: 3313
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Wichita Man, (KD0IIF) Hopes to Win Lottery; Lightning Strikes Instead:

Posted: 31 Mar 2012 04:13 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28010

Like a lot of other Americans, Bill Isles bought Mega Millions lottery tickets on Thursday.
Later he joked with a friend that he had a better chance of getting struck by lightning than winning the record jackpot. That night, Isles walked out into his backyard and got struck by lightning.
"It was like, flash, bang, instantly," he said. Isles, 48, wasn't hit directly, but a jolt was strong enough to knock him face-first to the ground, start his muscles twitching, make his heart beat irregularly and scramble his thoughts. Isles knows about lightning. He is a volunteer with Skywarn, a national organization of volunteers who provide local information about severe weather to the National Weather Service. On Thursday night, as storms moved through the Wichita area, Isles decided to go outside at his duplex at 6320 E. Orme, southwest of Kellogg and Woodlawn, and contact some of his storm-spotting buddies in the field on his hand-held ham radio. When he went outside about 9:30 p.m., the night looked harmless enough. "It looked like things were far enough off to the north, and there were only just a few raindrops," Isles said. "I would hear thunder, but I didn't see anything close. I thought I was OK." He remembers talking to a couple of friends on his radio.
"One minute I'm sitting there talking, and the next minute I'm down on my face," he said.
There was no warning, no feeling of an imminent electrical shock, no hair standing on end.

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Communication Key when Weather Strikes:

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 05:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28009

MOUNT VERNON -- When severe weather hits, maintaining lines of communication between responders is vital, but what if the towers are down, the cellular networks are compromised and the electrical power is out? When all else fails, amateur radio operators step up to the plate and get the messages through. Arlin Bradford, president of the Mount Vernon Amateur Radio Club and assistant emergency coordinator with the Knox County Amateur Emergency Radio Service talked with the News about the roles amateur radio

operators -- called hams -- play in the event of a natural disaster. First, hams assist in monitoring local weather conditions.

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Titanic Exhibition to be Shown in New Tredegar:

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28008

NEXT week an exhibition featuring a radio operator who received the SOS signal from the Titanic, will be shown in New Tredegar. The County Borough museum, the Winding House in New Tredegar opens its fascinating new exhibition on Friday April 6. The Titanic, the Mill and the Signal: Artie Moore and Titanic's SOS, focuses on amateur radio enthusiast, Artie Moore from Gelligroes Mill, who received RMS Titanic 's SOS signal, on his home-made radio receiver. The new exhibition will also explore the story of Titanic and some local links in this 100th anniversary year of her sinking.

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Amateur Radio Plays Major Role in Severe Weather Alerts:

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28007

The Capital Area Amateur Radio Emergency Response Team (CAARERT) was formed in direct response to the events of September 11th, 2001. Comprised of amateur radio operators, the volunteer group's sole purpose is to organize for emergency response. A part of that commitment is to provide storm spotting operations, called SKYWARN for Sangamon and Menard counties. John Anderson (W9TRC) is the current president of the organization. We talk today with its past president, Dick Drew. His callsign is K0HMO.

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City Relaxes Rules for Personal Antennas:

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 05:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28006

OTTAWA -- A compromise between the city and amateur radio enthusiasts means they'll get a bit more freedom to put up private antennas on their houses and in their yards, city council agreed Wednesday. The city doesn't directly regulate antennas on private property: that's Industry Canada's job, but the federal department gives municipalities a chance to say what they think. The rules are primarily meant to regulate cellphone towers, which companies like Bell and Rogers are building more and more of to try to keep up with demand for smartphone service, but they cover amateur radio antennas as well and ham radio operators said they were too restrictive. The compromise lets personal antennas be erected in front or side yards in urban or suburban neighbourhoods as long as they're shorter than 15 metres, less than three inches across and set back at least 1½ metres from property lines. (The rules are looser for bigger lots.) Bigger antennas would require public consultations so the neighbours could have their say before the city came up with its position.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #13 de K7RA:

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 04:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28004

Eight new sunspot groups appeared this week, but the average daily
sunspot number declined four points to 71.1. Average daily solar
flux rose by less than two points to 103.7.

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NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) RX Prop Fcst 20-14:

Posted: 30 Mar 2012 03:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28001

The NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-14 has been
published at 0000 UTC on Friday March 30, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday
March 31, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 06, 2012.

447. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 176] More stations to be active on WARD

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-01 03:18:47 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F77C88C.2020607@rac.ca>
Source record: 3314
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

[IARU-R2-News 176] More stations to be active on WARD
2012-03-31

On April 18, 2012 we will celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day on the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU.

This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launching of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

For this reason there will be several special event stations from IARU's Member Societies active on different dates during April:

6H6IARU by the Federaci﷿n Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores who has commissioned this operation to Grupo DXXE. This station will be active from 13 to 18 April in all modes and bands. QSL via LoTW and N7RO, direct or bureau. Daily logs uploads will be available in ClubLog.

3G87IARU by the Radio Club de Chile. This station will be active throughout the month of April. QSL via CE3AA.

LZ1WARD by the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs also will be active throughout the month of April. QSL via bureau.

EL2RL by the Liberia Radio Amateur Association will be active on April 18, 2011 on 10, 15, 17 and 20 meters. Direct QSL to EL2BA.

HB9WARD by Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen-Amateure to be active also on April 18, 2011. This first time callsign will be on the air by HB9JOE and a group of radio amateurs from Bern. QSL via HB9JOE.

HF87WARD by members of the SP-CFF (SP0CFF). This station will be active from April, 17 to 30. QSL via eQSL.cc and WFF LogSerach. For those who want to send card direct, please send SASE to: Polish Club Flora & Fauna, Suchacz, Wielmozy 5b, 82-340 Tolkmicko, Poland. They will even have an award for this operation.

We hope to hear from more special event stations to be active on April 18. So far stations from North America, South America, Europe and Africa plan to be active, If your national society or club will be active let us know:news@iaru-r2.org <mailto:news@iaru-r2.org>

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448. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-01 06:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1333260001@panix.com>
Source record: 3315
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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

449. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 1 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-01 06:36:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404057b01b704bc984b6b@google.com>
Source record: 3316
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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'Four Days In May' - Dayton, OH (May 17-20, 2012)

Posted: 31 Mar 2012 10:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340328-Four-Days-In-May-Dayton-OH-(May-17-20-2012)&goto=newpost

'Four Days In May' or FDIM is the annual convention of the QRP Amateur Radio Club International

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It is held in Dayton, OH and runs concurrently with the Dayton Hamvention.

We kick off with a day of seminars on Thursday 17th May, this year speakers and subjects include -

Craig Johnson, AA0ZZ PIC MicrocontrollersJason Milldrum, NT7S Leveraging Free and Open Source Tools in HomebrewingEd Breneiser,WA3WSJ Pedestrian Mobile OperationGrayson Evans, KJ7UM Hollow-state HomebrewingJames Duffey, KK6MC VHF and UHF Weak Signal for the QRPerseminar_400.jpg

The seminars are followed by an optional Buildathon which includes a pizza party :p

Thursday evening ends with Show And Tell (your own projects), Meet The Speakers, Competitions and Vendor Night where traders will be selling everything from components to keys, from books to antennas, from tools to QRP kits . . .

On Friday we organise shuttle buses from our hotel to the Dayton Hamvention.

Friday evening includes a Home-construction competition and a new unique event - the Accessibility Challenge. We have challenged our visitors to design a kit that may be built by a visually impaired ham. QRP ARCI already supports blind hams by supplying the QRP Quarterly magazine in an electronic format. Our visually impaired members have expressed a desire to build a kit and we look forward to some novel entries !

On Saturday we have more shuttle buses to the Hamvention and a Grand Banquet in the evening. The banquet is where we have our raffle (for an Elecarft KX3 this year) and we give out door prizes - we already have 5 transceivers, 2 Begali paddles, a key, a mast, vouchers . . . One year we gave away over $10,000 in door prizes !

Our group and our convention covers a wide range of interests. Most of us are QRPers, but we all have a variety of interests including QRP, home-construction, backpacking, Software Defined Radio and just having fun.

Our venue is the Holiday Inn at Fairborn, just a few miles to the south-east of the Hamvention. There are several hotels in the area and lots of restaurants. With the shuttle buses and spouse activities we aim to turn a visit to the Hamvention into an easy and fun four day ham vacation.

Our website is at http://www.fdim.qrparci.org

Book online now and you will be entered into a draw to receive a 15m Transceiver Kit !

If you cannot make it to Dayton, check out our club at http://www.qrparci.org

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450. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 1 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-01 11:06:38 UTC
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Message-ID: <90e6ba6e842cbb058904bc9c0f44@google.com>
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Receiving Titanic

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FH3LCJ86adQ/receiving_titanic.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cape Race Marconi station in Newfoundland received Titanic's distress signal and told the world about the loss of the great ship. This video showcases the skills of the wireless operators that would save 710 passengers

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Titanic exhibition in New Tredegar

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vvJkd1cA-cI/titanic_exhibition_in_new_tredegar.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, April 6, a Titanic exhibition opens in New Tredegar featuring amateur radio enthusiast Artie Moore MNX who received the SOS signal from the Titanic

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50 watts for Foundation holders in Belgium

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cfNgrd4Xrek/50_watts_for_foundation_holders_in_belgium.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UBA reports on plans to allow Belgian Foundation licence holders to run 50 watts on HF instead of the previous 10 watts

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MicroThrust Motor for Nanosats

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1jupSxnxauo/microthrust_motor_for_nanosats.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Imagine reaching the Moon using just a tenth of a liter of fuel. With their ionic motor, MicroThrust, EPFL scientists and their European partners are making this a reality, ushering in a new era of low-cost space exploration

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VHsCuJt_g9Q/april_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the reappearance of Sunspot 1429, that was the source of many strong flares earlier this month, is eagerly awaited

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Lightning strike survivor feels lucky to be alive

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dKTSI5Hr0uo/lightning_strike_survivor.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Bill Isles KD0IIF is recovering after he survived a lightning strike and used his ham radio to call for help

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World Amateur Radio Day - April 18

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On April 18, 2012, radio amateurs will be celebrating World Amateur Radio Day, on the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU

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Camb-Hams 2012 DXpedition to Mull

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From Saturday 28th April until Friday 4th May, the Camb-Hams will be continuing their traditional Scottish Island activation

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Channel 4 show features Radio Amateur

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A radio amateur is one of the participants in a new Channel 4 reality TV show 'The Undateables' to be broadcast on Tuesday, April 3

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MSF time signal off the air

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The MSF 60 kHz standard-frequency and time signal is off-air to allow maintenance work on the masts and antennas at Anthorn Radio Station to be carried out in safety

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Lottery Grant for Amateur Radio Club

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The community newspaper Torfaen Talks reports that the Cwmbran and District Amateur Radio Society (CADARS) have been given a £2,775 grant

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Digital Wonder Do-IT-All S-Meter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/svM-BswH3Jc/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Using modern technology there's no longer any reason to give false and misleading signal reports.

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1807 March 30 2012

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340347-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1807--March-30-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1807 ☐ March 30 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1807 with a release date of March 30th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The next Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference to be hekd in Malaysia; 1700 South African hams let their licenses lapse, World amateur Radio Day to celebrate 50 yesrs of ham radio in space, Japan to launch five new hamsats, DXCC is going on-line and Roving Reporter Pierre Pulinmyleg returns with a truly out of this world April 1st story. Find out where Pierre is this year on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1807 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: MY GAREC 2012 TO BE HELD IN MALAYSIA IN NOVEMBER

The 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference now coined as MyGAREC 2012, will be held from November 12th to the 14th in Malaysia. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

452. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 1 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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K3MGY Titanic 100th Anniversary Special Event

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 08:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340481-K3MGY-Titanic-100th-Anniversary-Special-Event&goto=newpost

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K3MGY will be operating 14-15 April 2012
from the National Electronics Museum
near Baltimore MD.

Operating frequencies and times will be
posted on the station's QRZ.com page.

Attached Images

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PA100MGY

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 04:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340464-PA100MGY&goto=newpost

Bob PA5V will be active as PA100MGY from 10 to 16 April 2012. Mainly CW and
SSB on request. No E-QSL pse!

QSL via VERON or direct to P.O.Box 60, 2770 AB Boskoop, Netherlands. No IRC
required.

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Tm5mgy rms titanic 100 anniversary

Posted: 31 Mar 2012 02:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340366-Tm5mgy-rms-titanic-100-anniversary&goto=newpost

Tm5mgy is a special callsign for the rms titanic 100 anniversary, valid
about 7 april to 21 april 2012 only.

please qsl via buro only !

See you soon on the air , 73 from the team.

453. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1056

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-March, through Sunday, 1st-April there were 235 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, P5, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9N, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4X/4Z, ISRAEL (Contest Event). The "2012 Holyland Contest", organized by the Israel Amateur Radio Club, will be held on 2100z, April 20th, to 2100z,

April 21st, on 160/80/40/20/15/10 meters and on modes CW, SSB and the Digital. It will provide a good opportunity to work many 4X/4Z stations toward the "Holyland Award". Full details are available on the Web page at: http://www.iarc.org/~4z1pf/Holyland%20Contest%202011%20booklet.pdf
The Contest Manager is Mark, 4Z4KX (E-mail: <mailto:4z4kx@iarc.org>)

6O, SOMALILAND (Press Release #1). Paul, N6PSE, sent out a press release on March 28th, stating [edited]: "The Intrepid-DX Group is pleased to announce our next DXpedition, as 6O3A from Hargeisa, Somaliland (Somalia), to take place from November 6-14th, 2012. The Intrepid-DX Group is the same group which brought you the recent ET3AA, ST0R and YI9PSE DXpeditions. Our primary objective is to activate Somaliland with a goal of providing as many DXers as possible a "new one" with this rare DXCC entity, and as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible. We will focus on North America, KH6, and ZL/VK during those periods when propagation is possible to those areas.
The team consists of twelve operators including: Co-Leader Paul Ewing/ N6PSE, Co-Leader David Collingham/K3LP, Dave Flack/AH6HY, Jun Tanaka/ JH4RHF, Dmitri Zhikharev/RA9USU, Darko Rusman/E70A, Krassy Petkov/K1LZ, Hrane Milosevic/YT1AD, Bill Beyer/N2WB, John Miller/K6MM, Al Hernandez/ K3VN and Bob Grimmick/N6OX.
Our QSL Manager is Joe, W3HNK. We will have OQRS available and will accept direct and Bureau QSL cards. We plan to upload our logs to Club Log on a daily basis.
You can find out more about our plans at our Web site at:
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/6o3a/
Thank you,
The Intrepid-DX Group."
According to their Web page, the multi-national team plans to have 5 stations active on at the same time on different bands. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY.
Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1845, 3780, 7065/7180, 14145, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 18100, 21080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz

The Pilot stations mentioned are Charles Vaughn/AA6G (West Coast Pilot) and Col McGowan/MM0NDX (EU, AF, OC & SA). Webmaster/QSL Designer is Roberto Filloy/EA2RY. On their Web page there is a band and mode survey available. The 6O3A team is looking for sponsors. Somaliland is ranked in "The DX Magazine's 2011 Most Wanted Countries World-Wide (Mixed-Mode)" as 40 (37/AS, 65/EU, 31/NA and 32/AF, OC & SA).

8Q, MALDIVES. Alex, UT5UY, will be active as 8Q7UY from Thulhagiri Island (AS-013) between April 12-21st. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via UT5UY, by the Bureau or direct.

9M2 & 9M6, WEST & EAST MALAYSIA (IOTA Op). Victor, R6AF, is now active as 9M2/R6AF/p from Pulau Besar (AS-097), West Malaysia, until possibly April 5-6th. Also, look for him to be active as 9M2/R6AF/6 (he states), from Sabah, Borneo (OC-088), East Malaysia between April 8-11th. Activity

will be 40-10 meters mainly on CW but with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

C6, BAHAMAS. Look for Gabriele, I2VGW, to plan a "Bahamas Islands Round Trip" DXpedition. He already has in his hands the licence and callsign, so look for him to operate as C6AGW starting April 26th through May 6th, from New Providence main island (NA-001), as well as Bimini (NA-048) and Berry (NA-054) Island -- two quite rare and claimed IOTA references. He doesn't stop there, but before going back to Italy, he will activate Long Island (NA-001). So, make sure you copy and listen carefully to catch the right reference number and location. The press release states, "Please keep in mind that, this time, it will be a very holiday style operation (with his first mate and supporter that is his wife Roberta)." Gabriele will put a great emphasis on the Digital modes and the 30/17/12 meter bands, as well as SSB too. His C6AGW set up will be a new dipole to test, Icom 7200, vertical HF3 and a Buddipole. For further information and any updates, during the I2VGW's trip, please have a look at his DXpedition Web site at: http://www.mdxc.org/c6agw

D6, COMOROS (Update). A few more details on the upcoming D64K DXpedition were released this past week by Frabrizio, IW3SQY. A team of Europeon operators will be active as D64K from Comoros Islands (IOTA AF-007) in August 2012. Operators mentioned are Fabrizio/IW3SQY, Paolo/IV3DSH, Antonello/IT9YVO, Franco/IZ8GCE, Giorgio/IZ4AKS, Les/SP3DOI and Salvador C31CT/EA3QS. The team has already obtained all permissions, and the license has been sent to the DXCC Desk. It was mentioned that at the present time it is appropriate to maintain confidentiality about dates and locations for safety reasons given the delicate political situation on the island. The official D64K Web site will go ?online about a month before the DXpedition. Their license covers from 160 to 6 meters, so the guys will be active on all bands and modes, and they are even considering the possibility of working on 60m and 6m. The QSL Manager will be Paolo, IV3DSH. More details will be forthcoming. Watch the following for updates:
http://www.d64k.com
https://twitter.com/#!/D64K

DXU (Press Release #4 - Final) [edited]. "The 'DX University'&#65533; will take place at Visalia, California, on Friday, 20th April. It has quickly become a sell-out! Over 120 'Students' have already reserved their place so we have increased the room-size. Instead of shutting out late-comers everyone is now welcome to book their seat at this ground-breaking event, the first of its kind. But pre-registration is required and there's only three weeks to go! On the program are several of the world's most renowned DXers who will share their knowledge. Here are tips on making your DXCC or on achieving Honor Roll: something for everyone. Go to <www.dxuniversity.com> to register: this is your final call. We hope to see you in the Californian spring sunshine. DX IS ! Contact Wayne <n7ng@bresnan.net> or Roger <g3sxw@btinternet.com> with any queries."

GP3, GUERNSEY. Members of the Telford and District Amateur Society will once again visit the Island of Guernsey (EU-114, WAB Square WV27) and be

active as GP3ZME/P between June 22-27th. Activity will be on the following:
HF - 160 meters to 10 meters.
VHF - 50 MHz, 70 MHz, 144 MHz and UHF 1.3GHz
SHF - 2.3 GHz, 3.4, GHz, 5.7 GHz, 10 GHZ and 24 GHz.
Their Locator Square of the camping site is IN89QK, but members of the
group may well move around the island looking for the best paths to UK,
EU and etc. You may follow the DXpedition on twitter. David, 2W0ZJA, will
be tweeting updates, frequencies, etc... at: http://twitter.com/#!/@2W0ZJA
Also, the VHF talk back and the ON4KST chat will also be used. The team
plans to take part in the following contests:
* Over the weekend of June 23-24th: 1.3 GHz and 50 MHz (CW) contests
* UKug Contests: June 24th - 5.7 GHz Cumulative
10 GHz Cumulative
24 GHz Cumulative
June 26th - SHF UKAC 2.3 GHz - 24 GHz

For more details on what the operators did last year, view the URL
link to the club's October newsletter at:
http://www.tdars.org.uk/library/Newsletter%20October11.pdf
Also, check out QRZ.com (under GP3ZME) for pictures and a half an hour
YouTube video from last year's trip. For direct QSLs, please QSL via
M0PNN. For a Bureau card, QSL via G3ZME or E-mail info to:
buroqsl@pleasemail.me.uk

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-109. Operators Igor/UA9KDF, Valery/RG8K, Artyom/UA9KAM and possibly
others will be active as RT9K/p from Zhuravlinyy Island between
April 1-5th. The team will use snowmobiles to get to the
island. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. They will use a
Kenwood TS-590, Yaesu FT-857 and an ACOM-1010 amp into a
BiggIR (80-10m) and a Robinson RR-33 antenna. You will be
able to track them on their snowmobiles via APRS at:
http://aprs.fi/#!mt&#65533;admap&z&call&#65533;2FRT9K-14&timerange
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All QSLs will be automatically sent by the Bureau. Direct QSLs
can be obtained via RX9KM. They will post their log online,
possibly one to two times daily on ClubLOG. Log search is at:
http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/RT9K/P

AS-154. A team of Hungarian and Turkish operators will be active from
Giresun Island between July 24th and August 1st. Activity will
be on all HF bands. Operators mentioned (with active callsign)
are Pisti/HA5OJ (TB2ZHI/0), Ed/HA5BWW (TA0/HA5BWW), Laci/HA5MA
(TA0/HA5MA), Karl/HA7PC (TA0/HA7PC), Feco/HA8KW (TA0/HA8KW),
Bekir/TA2RX (TA2RX/0), Ali/TA7EB (TA7EB/0) and Ali/TA7EM
(TA7EM/0). QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the
Bureau. During the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th), the team
will use the callsign TC0HA. QSL TC0HA via HA5KHC, direct or
by the Bureau.

EU-008. Operators Graham/MM0GHM, Gordon/MM0GOR, Allan/2M0VNW, Peter/
GM7AAJ and Jason/GM7VSB will once again be active as GM7A
from Gigha Island (IOSA NH24, SCOTIA CS23) during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Activity will be on all HF bands.
QSL GM7A direct or by the Bureau.

EU-028. Guenter, DL3NBI, will once again be active as IA5/DL3NBI from
Giglio Island (IIA GR-002, MIA MI-036, WLOTA 0564) between May
15-23rd. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL
via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-047. Sebastian, DL1AXX, will be active as homecall/p from Baltrum
Island (GIA N-006) between May 20-25th. Activity will be on
the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, the
Bureau is preferred.

EU-049. Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV8/PA1FJ/p from Samos Island
(GIOTA SAS-006, MIA MG-099, WLOTA 4163) between May 11-15th.
Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB only. He will also try
6 meters SSB during E openings. QSL via his home callsign by
the QSL Bureau.

EU-095. Operators Ivano/I2RFJ, Alberto/IV3BSY, Tony/IZ2ESV and Andrea/
IZ2LSC will be active as TM1F from Ratonneau Island between
April 21-25th. They will have 3 stations active on 80-6 meters
using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL is via IK2DUW. Visit
their Web page at: http://www.timpy.it/tm1f
The team also has a twitter account <@TM1F> to keep you updated
before, during and after their activities. The TM1F team also
has a video teaser link at: http://youtu.be/H5hq2_-Bkcs

EU-125. Francois, ON4LO, will be active as 5P4LO from Romo Island
(ARLHS DEN-074) between April 15-20th. Activity will be on
80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via ON4LO, direct
or by the Bureau.

NA-092. Jim, WD5IYT, will once again be active from Mustang Island
(USI TX-011S, Nueces County, Texas) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Mode-CW/Low-Power/
Island entry. He will be using a K3. QSL via LoTW, direct
(QRZ.com) or by the Bureau.

SA-048. A team of Venezuelan operators from the Grupo DX Caracas (GDXC)
will be active as YX5P from the rare Patos Island between April
19-22nd. Activity will be on all bands and modes. This will be
only the second time that a DXpedition will take place from
this island due to its remoteness and difficult access. The
first DXpedition (YY5P) was made by the GDXC 21 years ago which
makes it the most requested and sought after IOTA in Venezuela.
QSL via DM4TI. Visit the GDXC Web page at: http://www.gdxc.org

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For April). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of April:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Great Sutton, in Cheshire, by Geof, M0BAU.

(/A WAB Square SJ37 - England and IOTA EU-005)

MC1SWL/A - Operated from Guilsfield, in Powys, by Martin, GW4GNY.
(/A WAB Square SY21 - Wales and IOTA EU-005)

For more information, see <http://www.iswl.org.uk> or QRZ.com and eQSL.cc

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA. Harry, JG7PSJ, has announced that he plans to be
active as JD1BMH from Minami Torishima (OC-073) sometime in September.
The exact dates and plans are to be confirmed and forthcoming on his
Twitter and Web page at: https://twitter.com/#!/jd1bmh
http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/marcus

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (March 26th-April 1st)....
Apr/02nd AN Apr/05th AN Apr/07th AN
Apr/03rd HN Apr/06th AN Apr/08th AN
Apr/04th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

MU, GUERNSEY. Operators Hans/PA0VHA, Steef/PA2A, Wim PA2AM and Jack/PA3BAG
will be active as MU/homecall from Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA 0013) between
May 12-19th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters with a focus on 30/17/12
meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via their home callsigns. For
more details and updates, see: http://www.pi4cc.nl

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated March 25th and April 1st)

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5B4AJC via UA3DX EE7NL via EA7NL OL9Z via OK2PVF
9A55AX via 9A4J EE7Y via EA7ISH OM7M via OM3PA
9A205AN via 9A5AN EF7ITU via EA7NL OO0O via ON4CLL
9M6/JA1PBV via JA1PBV EF7W via EC7KW OQ4U via ON4AMX
A25JR via N5JR EG2WFF via EA2TT OR7W via ON4BAL
A60DWC via NI5DX EG5IC via EC5CFM OU8A via OZ1GDI
B3C via BA4EG EG5SSC via EA5DDK OZ/DL1ANT/P via DL1ANT
BW2/KH0XH via JE1XUZ EG7URF via EA7URF OZ/DL2SWW via DL2SWW
CR6P via CT2HKN EH7SSM via EA7URM P4/DF7ZS via DF7ZS
CS2P via CT1BWU EM2G via UR7GO P41P via W3HNK
CT7/DL2MEK via DL2MEK EO3Q via UR3QCW S5/OE6GND/P via OE6GND
CU7MD via CT3MD ES1XQ via ES3VI SG3U via SM3CXS

E51EWP via DJ8NK FH4VOS via DL7BC SO2R via SP3CGK
EA3/PD9DX via PD9DX FR5DN via EA7FTR TF3CW via LX1NO
EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO HB0/HB9EYR via IZ3AHY TF8GX via KT6YL
EA9AZ via EA5KB HE5LC via HB9LC UT7E via UR3EZ
EB8AH via EA8AH IO9A via IT9YVO UX2U via UR7UC
ED1R via EA4RCH J45PO via ON4PO VC3T via VE3DZ
ED3X via EA3QP J52HF via I3LDP W5/DL9NDS via DL9NDS
ED5D via EA5FL MJ/K3PLV via K3PLV XV2W via W6NWS
ED7R via EA7IZJ MJ/K8PT via K8PT YP5A via YO5KUC
ED9Z via EA9LZ OE15XMF via OE6CAG YP9W via YO9WF
EE1W via EA1AZ OG73X via OH8L Z21BB via W3HNK
EE3T via EA3DTD OH5Z via OH5LIZ ZP9MCE via EA5ZD
EE7L/1 via EA7HLU OJ0MC via OH6MC ZY2014WC via PS7KC

PIRATE ALERT. Didier, F5OGL, reports that on March 24th and 25th, 2012, a station operating as TO4E, and sending he was on Europa Island (AF-009), was definitely a PIRATE. The last TO4E DXpedition to Europa was in 2003, and there has not been any authorized activity from this island since then.
He also mentions that this prefix block used in 2003 is no longer in use. Also, the prefix for Europa had been changed four years ago, and no licence has been issued to anyone. The access to Europa is forbidden except under special authorization. As a reminder, Europa and the other islands of the "Iles Éparses" (French Eparse Islands) are now under the "Terres Australes and Antartiques Francaises" (TAAF), and their prefixes have been changed to the following:
FT5Y - Terre Adélie (Antarctica) FT5G - Glorieuses (Glorioso) Island
FT5W - Crozet Island FT5T - Tromelin Island
FT5Z - Amsterdam Island FT5E - Europa Island
F5TX - Kerguelen Island FT5J - Juan de Nova Island

Just a reminder, the prefix blocks FR5/G, FR5/T, FR5/E and FR5/J are no longer used or exist. Didier, F5OGL, the QSL Manager for the TO5E 2003 DXpedition to EUROPA, will not answer the cards for this activity in 2012.

ST. PETER & ST. PAUL ROCKS LOGS (Update). Last week we mentioned that Cesar, PY2YP, was able to obtain the log of the 2000 PS0S St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks DXpedition from the operators and uploaded the log into the LoTW. He mentions this week that thanks to PT7AA and PS7KM, he was was able to receive from PT7WA the following logs:
ZY0SW May-14-1989 to May-20-1989 ZY0SK Feb-04-1994 to Feb-08-1994
ZY0SS May-14-1989 to May-20-1989 ZY0SK Feb-03-1997 to Feb-14-1997
ZY0SY May-17-1989 to May-18-1989 ZY0SG Feb-04-1997 to Feb-14-1997
ZY0SP Feb-03-1994 to Feb-06-1994
Cesar reports, "So far I have already uploaded only ZY0SG, I will do the remaining ones as soon as possible. In addition, I've written a skinny Web page for the Rocks at my own site <www.py2yp.com> with some more information. I hope to receive the 1978 (PY0RO and PW0PP) and 1991 (PY0SR and PY0SK) paper logs very soon. I am also trying to have the logs from PT2GTI operations."

UK POSTAL INCREASE. Tom, GM4FDM, reports that as of April 30th, the UK Postal system will increase the following:
* A 10gm (0.35 ounces) envelope (airmail type envelope and ONE QSL card) will now cost 87p to Europe and World Zones 1 and 2.
* A 20gm (0.70 ounces) envelope will cost 87p Europe and £1.28 for World Zones 1 and 2.
Therefore for a U.S. station to send for a QSL to a UK station (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) is 2 USDs (the absolute minimum for return postage), but if you use thick envelopes or expect MORE THAN ONE CARD in the same envelope, then depending on return weight, 2 USDs may be insufficient postage, so he would suggest 3 USDs.....

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3G3O, 3XY1D, 5K3R, 8P5A, 9M8Z, C4W, CP1FF, DL1ZU, EA1PO, H22H, HR5/F2JD, IB1B, JF1SEK, JH1HIC, KG4SS, KH2L, LU5FR, LU8DY, MI0SAI, OJ0X, PJ4/NK1Z, RA1AOB, RN3ZIC, SP3SLO, SV9GPV, UX2KA, V47JA, VE3SZ, ZF2LC, ZY0SS and ZY0SW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2R, 3D2YA, 3G3M, 4L1FL, 4S7AB, 4W0VB, 5H3EE, 5M2TT, 5W0OU, 5W0RE, 5W1SA, 5Z4HW, 7Z7AA, 8P9AA, 8Q7DV, 8R1EA, 9G5ZZ, 9J3A, 9M6JC, 9N7DX, 9N7MD, 9Q6AL, A41OO, A52DL, C31BO, CE3EEA, CE4A, CE9/VE3LYC (SA-031), CE9/VE3LYC (SA-097), CO6LC, CP4BT, CX5TR, D2AK, E51MAN, E51NOU, EA9EU, EI80IRTS, ET3AA, ET3JA, FG/DK9PY, FG/DL1CW, FO/N6JA, FP/G3ZAY, FR/DJ7RJ, FW5RE, GB4SEN, HC1HC, HK0/DL5YWM, HV0A, HV5PUL, HZ1MD/P, K6VVA/KL7, KG2A/VP9, KH2/N2NL, KH4/W5FJG, KH7Y, KL7RRC, OY1CT, PJ4/K5WE, PJ4C, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ5/SP6IXF, PJ7/W4BUW, PZ5T, ST0R, SU9VB, T32C, T6TL, T8CC, T8XX, TG9NX, TL0CW, TN2T, TO5G, TS7TI, TS8P, TU2T, TX3T, TX7M, V25AA, V63DX, V85TX, VE2IM, VP2MMM, VP5/W5CW, VR2XMT, XE2X, Z21BB, Z21BC, ZB2EO, ZD8F, ZD8W, ZF2AG/ZF8, ZF2AH, ZK2V and ZK3RE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5V7CC, 6W4/IZ1KHH, 9G5LM, 9Q50ON, A71DLH, BA4EG, C57R, CN2DJ, DL4JS/6W, DS5USH, ED9M, ET3AA, HB0/PC5A, OJ0B, PJ4/PG4M, TK/DF6ZY, TY1MS, V31WA, V5/DK1CE and XU7KOH

SV5, DODECANESE. Operators Giorgio/IZ4AKS and XYL Silvia/K1XYL will be active as SV5/IZ4AKS from the Island of Rhodes (EU-001) between April 9-16th. Activity will be limited as this is a business trip. QSL via IZ4AKS.

V3, BELIZE. Operators Henry/W5HNS, Jay/K0BCN and Marty/W5MRM will be active as V31WH, V31MX and V31MO, respectively, from Cay Caulker (NA-073). The team will arrive on July 23rd, and possibly be on the air that day. They will return to the U.S. on July 31st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using a 5 band hexbeam and a 40m dipole, operating CW and SSB. Jay and Henry are the CW ops (as well as SSB) and Marty will operate on Phone. Nothing has been decided about PSK or RTTY yet. There will only be one transceiver, so they will not be on more than one band at a time. During the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th), they will sign V31MX and be on the contest allowed bands alternating SSB and CW (on 40m and up). QSL via their home callsigns or LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Sho/JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Akio/JA7ZP (V63ZP) will be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between May 25-29th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters and all modes. QSL via their home callsigns.

Also, look for V6A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Operator is JA7HMZ and QSL V6A via JA7HMZ.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Operators Pat/VK2PN and Miro/OK1NG, along with the help of Chris/VK3FY, will be active as VK9PN during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL for operator's instructions. Pat and Miro will be on Lord Howe Island between May 23-30th. However, Chris will be there on a work assignment between May 27th and June 2nd. He will only be able to operate during the week and most likely during the evenings as work will take precedence. He will be active as VK9LHI after the contest. Modes most likely wil be CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via VK3HF.

WAE NEWS. Ric, DL2VFR, Chairman DX & HF-Contesting of DARC, informs that the Worked All Europe (WAE) committee has deleted Malyj Visotzkij (R1MV) as of 17th of February 2012, from the WAE-list. The entity is now transferred to the list of "Deleted WAE". The WAE-list and the corresponding award rules will be corrected accordingly.

WUST AWARD (ATTN. Number One DXCC Honor Holders!). The new DX award is availble and is being offered/sponsored by the Metro DX Club of South Suburban Chicago. The W.U.S.T. (Worked all U.S. Territories) is a signif-icant and unique award, and it requires submitting only 16 QSL cards with a user-friendly application. Some of these 16 WUST territories can be heard regularly, but many appear on the list of the 25 most wanted countries and can only be worked during a DXpedition to that location. Don't let this scare you away, however, because you can qualify for the basic award by confirming only 14 of the 16 territories. Your remaining two can be confirmed later and endorsements are available that will signify that you have reached the ultimate goal. The 16 WUST territories effective January 1, 2012 are: KG4 (Guantanamo Bay), KH0 (Mariana Islands), KH1 (Baker & Howland Islands), KH2 (Guam), KH3 (Johnston Island), KH4 (Midway Island), KH5 (Palmyra & Jarvis Islands), KH5K (Kingman Reef), KH7K (Kure Island), KH8 (American Samoa), KH8S (Swains Island), KH9 (Wake Island), KP1 (Navassa Island), KP2 (US Virgin Islands), KP4 (Puerto Rico) and KP5 (Desecheo Island). Confirmations can be on mixed bands and modes and there are no date restrictions. No, it's not as easy as you may have thought, but remember, this is a DX award. It's not a simple certificate acknow-ledging contact with a special event station or commemorating an occasion. You can proudly display this distinctive certificate in your ham shack and show it to fellow hams acknowledging your efforts in the world of DX. Remember, only 14 QSL cards get you started on the road to WUST and not 340 that are required to make number 1 on the ARRL DXCC Honor Roll. If you don't want to take the chance of mailing 16 valuable QSL cards, photo-copies of confirmations will be accepted. In addition, Logbook of the World confirmations are OK and must be verified by two licensed amateur radio operators. Plus, if you are "NUMBER ONE" on the ARRL DXCC Honor Roll and your station call appears on the list dated August 2010 (or later) you'll not be required to send any confirmations for the WUST award. Simply file an application along with 8 U.S. dollars or 4 valid IRCs. Mail your sub-mission to the Metro DX Club, 3810 N. Chamlin Drive, Morris, IL 60450.

Following the receipt of the original award for a minimum of 14 territories, endorsements for contact 15 and 16 are available for 3 U.S. dollars or 2 valid IRCs. For additional information, go online to:
http://www.metrodxclub.com/wust_award.htm
E-mail questions should be sent to awards@metrodxclub.com.
This award has been written up in "CQ", the K1BV Awards Directory at <http://www.dxawards.com/DXAwardDir/usa%204.htm> (listed under "T" for Territories), and "QRZ-DX".

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND. The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia (HARAOA) is organizing a DXpedition to ZL9 Campbell Island (OC-037), New Zealand, between November 17-30th. Campbell Island (ZL9) is Number 15 on the current DXCC most wanted list. The ZL9HR DXpedition team will consist of a total of nine (9) team members including Tommy, VK2IR (Team Leader), and John, VK3YP (Team Co-Leader). They are inviting any experienced operators who would like to attend this DXpedition to E-mail Tommy at <vk2ir@vk2ir.com> for more information. For updates and details, visit the Web site at: http://www.zl9hr.com

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

454. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 1st April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-01 20:00:12 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120401200004.61F0F33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3321
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 1st April 2012

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

Just three weeks remain until the 80th Anniversary IRTS AGM and Rally. As you can appreciate this is a very special anniversary and you are asked to make all reasonable efforts to attend. Dinner tickets are just 32, a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. The Venue is Fairways Hotel Dundalk, telephone 042-9321500. The radio rally and exhibition will be held in the large conference hall with lots of space to move about and to peruse at your leisure. It all happens over the weekend of April 21st & 22nd.

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. A very warm welcome awaits you.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive. As you may know, Marconi Day is on 21st April this year and we will be operating over the full 24 hour period on this day in order that collectors of the Marconi Award will have the opportunity to add us to their list. Mizen Head is a beautiful location and well worth a visit.

Limerick Radio Club

Following the recent very successful Limerick Radio Club rally the following are the list of raffle prize winners.

Watson Wireless Weather station, donated by Gary O'Hanlon South East Communications, won by Roy Stewart

BHI DSPKR donated by Graham Somerville BHI UK, won by Brendan Kilmartin EI0CZ

AirVenture Flight Simulator Family Coupon donated by Eddie Ryan of AirVenture won by Roland E Hall EI6CZ

28A 12V PSU donated by Raymond Long of Long communications won by Stephen Boyd.

The 5Mhz Newsletter

The Spring Edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter has now been published and features information on the recent WRC-12 conference.

A subscription is not needed and the Newsletter can be freely read or downloaded from Google documents at http://tinyurl.com/7ylxz9z

A paper copy can be obtained by sending an SASE large enough to take folded A4 to the Editor, G4MWO, who is QTHR and on QRZ.com.

A chart is also maintained of current Worldwide 5 MHz Amateur Allocations. This can be found at http://tinyurl.com/82rwq2b

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World Amateur Radio Day

On April 18, 2012 we will celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day on the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU. This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launching of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962. For this reason there will be several special event stations from IARU's Member Societies active on different dates during April: 6H6IARU, 3G73IARU and LZ1WARD. If IARU's Member Societies plan to have a special event station for this reason in April let us now so we can publish the details before the end of this month. Send us an email to news/at/iaru-r2.org with the information.

Japan to launch Amateur Radio satellites

The Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) has announced the launch of five amateur radio satellites on two launches taking place in May and July. The first H-IIA launch takes place on May 17, 1639-1642 UT and will carry the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2. The second launch on July 21, 0218 UT of the HTV3 will deliver the JEM-Small Satellite Orbital Deployer (J-SSOD) to the International Space Station (ISS).

Titanic - GB100MGY will be on 502 kHz

GB100MGY will be operating on 502 kHz from the Fort Perch Rock marine radio museum in the Wirral, UK during the Titanic commemoration, April 14th & 15th.

Lough Erne Rally Today April 1st

The Lough Erne Radio Rally is on today at the SHARE Centre in County Fermanagh. Those planning to attend include two amateur radio presidents, Dave Wilson M0OBW, the RSGB President, with Peter Lowrie Mi5JYK, the Regional Manager And Eric Prince G3KPU, the President of RAOTA - the Radio Amateur Old Timers Association.

For more about how the rally visit:- www.learc.eu

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will operate as EI2WRC for the IRTS 2 metres Counties Contest on the bank holiday Monday (9 April) from Devils Bit. Members wishing to get involved should contact the club at; info/at/searg.com.

For those who have expressed interest in participating in Theory Classes leading to the Amateur Radio Licence with South Eastern Amateur Radio Group, there will be an information / planning session at our next general meeting which takes place at 8:30 p.m. on Monday 30 April in the Roanmore Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All are welcome!

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May. South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. The callsign is EI2GEO (pending approval). Activity will mainly be on HF. Anyone wishing to get involved should contact the club on info/ at/searg.com or phone Mark Wall on 087-6302026. For more information about the Geopark, visit www.coppercoastgeopark.com

For more information about SEARG visit the clubs web site on www.searg.com

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Luxembourg to Celebrate 75 years of Amateur Radio

A special postage stamp to 75 years of amateur radio in Luxembourg is to be issued by the country's post and telecommunications authority.

ZD8, Ascension Island

The ZD8, Ascension Island bureau has closed. A full list of countries that do not have a bureau is available on the http://www.irts.ie/cgi/qsl.cgi

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

455. eHam.net News for Sunday 1 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-01 22:56:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340b3dcfe49504bca5fcdc@google.com>
Source record: 3322
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Wording on Olympic QSL Cards:

Posted: 31 Mar 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28015

In view of all the restrictions associated with publicising the Olympics, members have been asking what wording may they use on QSL cards associated with the Olympic special prefixes. Through the RSGB the Olympic Brand office has confirmed that the phrase; "Amateur radio special event station to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games" is quite acceptable to use on ordinary QSL cards such as those associated with GOyxxx call and G2012xxx series.

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Ham Radio Now - Episode 6: New Ham Band!

Posted: 31 Mar 2012 05:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28014

The World Radio Conference, held in Geneva every four years or so, hammers out agreement on worldwide RF spectrum use for all countries and all services. Ham Radio has a little role to play, and interests to protect. Maybe not so little, at least to us. The ARRL's Brennan Price N4QX gives Ham Radio Now's Gary Pearce KN4AQ a detailed look behind the scenes of this major conference. This time around, Ham Radio came out pretty well: a new (albiet narrow, secondary) allocation at the bottom of MF - 472-479 kHz. And we fended off some potential interference from an oceanographic radar service. All in this edition of Ham Radio Now.

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ARNewsline Report 1807 -- Mar. 30 2012:

Posted: 31 Mar 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28011

The following is a Q-S-T. The next Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference to be hekd in Malaysia; 1700 South African hams let their licenses lapse, World amateur Radio Day to celebrate 50 yesrs of ham radio in space, Japan to launch five new hamsats, DXCC is going on-line and Roving Reporter Pierre Pulinmyleg returns with a truly out of this world April 1st story. Find out where Pierre is this year on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1807 coming your way right now.

456. HOT PEOPLE HOT AND SEXY VIDEOS FOR U SEE AND ENJOY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 05:49:18 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <379d7ec7-6802-4002-829c-bd5b7e1b6538@x5g2000pbl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3323

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html

457. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 2 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 06:14:37 UTC
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Message-ID: <14dae9340c739235d004bcac1aa1@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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AAROFest 2012

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 05:32 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340470-AAROFest-2012&goto=newpost

The AAROFest 2012 will be held April 15, 2012 in Galva, Illinois.

AARL forgot to place our sanctioned hamfest in QST!

Doors open at 8 A.M. to the public. Exibiters at 6 A.M. and set up is Sat 5
until 7 P.M.

We have a large flea market, no charge except a ticket.

Tiokets befor April 7 $5 3 stub After 4/7 $5 1 stub

Tables $8 before 4/7 after 4/7 $10

Send S.A.S.E. and any funds required to

AARO

30 Wallace St

Galva, IL 61434

458. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 2 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 11:06:54 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934053d174ed604bcb02f55@google.com>
Source record: 3325
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Titanic Evening at Chelmsford

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rd.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding a 'RMS Titanic
Evening' on Tuesday, April 3

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Titanic - A Night to Remember

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8tR8Znl4088/titanic_a_night_to_remember
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A YouTube clip of the 1958 movie 'A Night to Remember' features the Titanic
Marconi wireless operators Jack Phillips and Harold Bride

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Joe Walsh WB6ACU - Analog Man

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.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Grammy Award-winning rock-and-roll legend Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, enjoys
operating on 75 meters AM (amplitude modulation) and his new solo album is
appropriately titled Analog Man

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The Salmon Run - Tricycle Mobile

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cWx-7wOt8Ww/k6bbq_salmon_run_video.htm?
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Rem, K6BBQ has released another of his great tricycle mobile videos. In
this video, he's contacting stations in the Washington State Salmon Run

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RLJZrl41TBs/dxcc_report_0204.htm?utm_so

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According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
25th-March, through Sunday, 1st-April there were 235 countries active

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Ham Radio Now, newly approved band for 2012

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d_band_for_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This episode of Ham Radio Now features an interview with the ARRL's Chief
Technology Officer Brennan Price N4QX

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-eZgml3InSg/april_02.htm?utm_source=fee
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Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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Gmail Tap App - Dot-Dash

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e=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Google's Gmail describes how to tap into the future of writing emails on
the go using a binary language that only uses two characters -- dots and
dashes, making it easy to learn

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NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ON6lc1LwXm4/propagation_forecast_14.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-14 has been
published at 0000 UTC on Friday March 30, 2012

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tinwGzWWWLs/history_02_april.htm?utm_so
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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

459. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 1st April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 12:00:22 UTC
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 1st April 2012

The news headlines:

* Did you know Ken Rowell G5RL?

* TEP observation beacons

* RSGB prepared to defend CW

Following the announcement a few months ago of the legacy from the late Ken Rowell, the Legacy Trustees, appointed to consider the way in which the bequest might be used, have held their first meeting. They are now asking for help from anyone who has any information on Ken Rowell, G5RL, his station, or any particular interests he had, that would help the Trustees to develop proposals on how his generous bequest could best be utilised. They are particularly anxious to obtain any photographs, letters or documents that would assist in this work. The Trustees are grateful for all the suggestions that have already been made regarding this legacy and will keep members informed of progress through RadCom. If you can help, please send any information to the Secretary to the Trustees, care of RSGB Headquarters, or to legacysecretary@rsgb.org.uk.

There are two new beacons on air from Namibia for TEP observations. They are active 24 hours a day from JG82IE, callsign V51VHF. Listen out for the 35 watt CW signal on 70.005 that uses a DK7ZB beam headed North, and the 144.430MHz CW signal into a 10 element DK7ZB beam, also heading North.

Some say that CW has been made obsolete by modern digimodes, which work well in conditions far too poor for the older mode. Now that Morse is no longer used in commercial radio traffic, the RSGB confirms that it would fight any moves to prohibit CW on amateur bands. The Society recognises that Morse gives much pleasure to thousands of operators, and will continue to support its use.

The Radio Security Service will hold its 16th reunion at Bletchley Park on Sunday 22 April in the Mansion Ballroom. Gates open at 10am and the meeting starts at 11am. All are welcome. The reunions are held to commemorate the 1,500-plus radio amateurs who used their special skills in the greatest secrecy in WW2 to monitor the German Secret Service, and thus facilitate numerous deceptions contributing to military successes, especially on D-Day. There will be a series of presentations

and there will be the opportunity to visit Hut One to view the large collection of communication equipment from the past. Booking is not required, but it will be helpful if you can let Stan Ames know if you hope to attend. You can contact him by email to RSSreunion@aol.com.

Ofcom has announced a GPS jamming exercise between 9 and 20 April near RAF Spadeadam in Cumbria. From 7am to 6pm there will be multiple jammers based within 5km of N55° 04.000' W002° 34.000', operating within the 24MHz band centred around 1575.42MHz. The total power used will be up to 10 watts EIRP. It is stressed that, as in previous exercises, Safety of Life operations will, at all times, take precedence over exercise activities.

The Spring Edition of The 5MHz Newsletter has now been published and features information on the recent WRC-12 conference. A subscription is not needed and the Newsletter can be freely read or downloaded from Google documents at http://tinyurl.com/7ylxz9z. A paper copy can be obtained by sending an SASE large enough to take folded A4 to the Editor, G4MWO, who is QTHR and on QRZ.com. A chart is also maintained of current Worldwide 5MHz Amateur Allocations. This can be found at http://tinyurl.com/82rwq2b On 24 March, sometime between 0230 and sunrise, in Kenninghall, Norfolk, Peter Lock, M0RYB had his red Land Rover Defender 90 X191 FVC stolen. Inside was an Icom IC-7000, serial number 1002538. The crime Number is 12618/12/0. If anyone has any information on the whereabouts of the radio, or vehicle, please contact Peter via doc.lock@tesco.net so that he can pass the information onto the police.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club Annual Rally will take place today, 1 April, at The Share Holiday Village, Lisnaskea, Co. Fermanagh BT92 0EQ. Doors open at 11.30am. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. The RSGB President, Dave Wilson, M0OBW, will also be visiting the rally. Details from Iain on 02866 326 693.

Also today, 1 April, the South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Rally will be held in the Scout Activity Centre, Woodhouse Park, Almondsbury, Bristol BS32 4LX. Doors open at 10am. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Talk in is on S22. More details from Stan Goodwin, G0RYM on 07833 517 370.

>From 10 April the Titanic Centenary event will take place from Charterhouse, Godalming. GR100MGY will be active for 6 days. There is free admission and free car parking on 14 and 15 April, 12 to 4pm. Contact G0EFO at michaelgs1@talktalk.net.

Now for the news of special events

On 8 April, GB50WVR will be on the air from the Keighley & Worth Valley railway, which is celebrating 50 years of the Preservation Society. More information, including QSL details, is on qrz.com.

GB100MGY will be on the air from 6 to 26 April from Fort Perch Rock Marine Radio Museum, New Brighton, Wirral in commemoration of the Titanic. They also have special permission from Ofcom to use this callsign on the 501 to 504kHz band. They plan to transmit and receive on 502kHz and, for those without a 500kHz band NoV, it will be crossband on 3566kHz or 7066kHz as propagation conditions determine. More on www.gb100mgy-fortperchrock.co.uk.

The centenary of the loss of RMS Titanic in 1912 will be commemorated with many activities taking place around the world, including a number in Godalming, Surrey, the birthplace of Titanic's Marconi Radio Officer, Jack Phillips. GR100MGY will be on the air from the grounds of Charterhouse school in Godalming. Operated by Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group, members of the public are invited to visit on 14 and 15 April from noon until 4pm. Visitors should come to the school on Hurtmore Road, GU7 2DX, during these opening hours and simply follow the parking signs.

And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

ON4AEO and several other operators from Belgium and South Africa will be active as 3DA0FC from Swaziland on 6 to 10 April. They plan to operate SSB, RTTY and PSK on 10 to 80m bands. QSL via ON4CJK, direct or bureau.

JA1XGI will be active as A35XG from Tongatapu, Tonga, which is IOTA reference OC-049, on 2 to 9 April. Activity will be on the 10 to 30m bands, especially 30, 17 and 12 metres using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau. GM6TW will be operating from the Inner Hebrides, IOTA reference EU-008, from 7 to 13 April. The main QTH will be the Isle of Jura, but will also be activations from Islay and Colonsay. QSL via M0UTD.

PJ2/PA7JWC and PJ2/PD7DB will be on the air from Curacao, which is IOTA reference SA-099, on 2 to 9 April. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on the 10 to 80m bands. QSLs via Logbook of The World are preferred or via home callsigns, direct and via the bureau.

Now the contest news

At 90 minutes in duration it may be a short contest, but make no mistake, the 1st RoPoCo contest today, 1 April, is quite challenging. The maximum permitted power is 100 watts with no QRP or high power categories. The basic format is that in your first QSO you send your full postcode and for all subsequent QSOs you send the postcode you received in your previous QSO. If you receive a postcode that you know is erroneous, for example a corrupted version of your own postcode, record it as received and give it to your next QSO partner as-is. Provided you are not the person to introduce an error, you'll get points for the QSO, because it is the accuracy of the exchange that is important. This all takes place on the 3.5MHz band from 1900 to 2030UTC.

Activity on 70MHz continues to grow with the 1st 70MHz contest taking place today, 1 April, from 0900 to 1200UTC. Last year 156 stations took part from six different call areas. It's a race to accumulate as many kilometres worked as possible, with no multipliers. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The latest CW leg of the 80m club championships takes place on 2 April from 100 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

On 3 April the 144MHz UK Activity contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The first leg of the SP DX Contest takes place on 7 and 8 April from 1500 to 1500UTC. Using both CW and SSB on the 1.8 to 28m bands, SP stations send a signal report plus a single character province code, while non-SP stations send a signal report and a serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 23rd to the 29th of March, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 30th of March.

Several small sunspot groups were visible every day. Only one group was large, which produced an M class solar flare on the 23rd, otherwise solar activity was at low levels every day with just a few C class solar flares taking place each day. However, on the 29th a large group was approaching the north-east limb and produced numerous large C class flares. This is the return of a region that produced 14 M class and two X class solar flares on its last rotation during the first two weeks of March. Solar flux levels increased from 101 units on the 25th to 112 by the 29th. The average was 105 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 29th was 119, that's three units down on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and averaged B2.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet until a weak coronal hole disturbance arrived around midday on the 27th and lasted for 24 hours. The Ap index on the 27th and the 28th was 15 units. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 330 kilometres per second on the 23rd to 510 by the 28th. Particle densities were low every day except for an increase to 20 particles per cubic centimetre by the 27th. Bz varied between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas and between minus 12 and 6 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. MUFs fell below forecast levels on several days, this is due to the coronal hole disturbance and seasonal decline. A radio aurora event took place from the afternoon 27th to the early hours of the 28th but contracts appear to have been confined to high latitudes.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Depending on how active the old region 1429 is, which is now back in view, that will determine the level of activity for the coming week. Moderate levels are a possibility. Solar flux levels should increase and be in the 130s later in the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet every day. However, there is a chance that later in the week activity could increase due to the

arrival of a coronal mass ejection. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 26MHz for the south and 23MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 10MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 27MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1200 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your

transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 1 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is at the South Gloucestershire Rally at Almondsbury. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 2 April Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is running a club net on 144.165MHz USB from 7pm. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Monday 2 April South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 2 April Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is running a 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM from 2030UTC. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 3 April Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 3 April Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is having a talk by Rupert, 2E0BBQ on the night sky. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Tuesday 3 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 144MHz UK AC. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 3 April Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is running an open forum on 2m & 160m DFs. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 3 April Wythall Radio Club is taking part in the 144MHz UK AC. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 4 April Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running an M3 and M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Wednesday 4 April Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is forming a maintenance working party at the shack for antenna and mast work. Contact Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 08454 639 640.

On Wednesday 4 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a surplus equipment sale at the BSA Club. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 4 April Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting, training classes and is on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 4 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having a lecture in the Main Hall. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Wednesday 4 April South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550. On Wednesday 4 April Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 5 April Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio is holding a fox hunt. Details from Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 08454 639 640.

On Thursday 5 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running a club net on GB3LM from 20.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 5 April Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on antenna modelling software by Ken Linney, G3UDA. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 5 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Thursday 5 April Wythall Radio Club Wythall Radio Club begins its Easter contest at 1000. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Friday 6 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having mini lectures. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 6 April Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a club net on GB3FR from 8pm. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442 240.

On Saturday 7 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running its Saturday Mentor Scheme from 09.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Saturday 7 April Wythall Radio Club commences its weekend event operating a special event station at the Easter Steam Fair, Hanbury. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 1 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the SSB RoPoCo. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 2 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the development of the Airbus and its communications by Dieter Hohmann. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 2 April Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on the small transmitting loop by John, G0UCP. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 2 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC CW. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Monday 2 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening and taking part in the RSGB 80m Contest CW from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 3 April Chester & District Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 3 April Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a members' night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836. On Tuesday 3 April Stockport Radio Society is having a club project night hosted by Bernard, G3SHF, Tom, M0DCG and Steve, G8YTP. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 4 April Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk on the story of Castle Hill and Victoria Tower by Kirklees Ranger Julian Brown. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 4 April Durham and District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from David, M0BPM, on 01913 888 113.

On Wednesday 4 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a visit by G2DPA, the RSGB East Yorks DRM. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 4 April Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a drink & waffle at The Irby Mill, Greasby. Details from Simon, G6XHF, on 01516 013 269.

On Thursday 5 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on the Excalibur SDR by Ian, M0BXR. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 6 April Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having Morse tuition and putting G0NWM on the air. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Thursday 5 April Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual constructors contest. Bring along

something you've built and you could win a prize! Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND The Scottish Borders Repeaters Group has announced an appeal for financial help after a rise in the site rental for GB3BE and GB3DU. Please see www.sbrg.co.uk for more details and how to help.

On Tuesday 3 April Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 4 April Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having a presentation on cryptography by Tam, MM0TGB. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 5 April Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 5 April Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Story of the Titanic by Donald, MM6ODB. Details from Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580.

On Friday 6 April Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA On Monday 2 April Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF from 20.30. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Monday 2 April Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a rig clinic for working radios. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947. On Monday 2 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Monday 2 April Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having an antenna workshop with G0SKA and G8XCK. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 2 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3NB from 19.30 and taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship CW. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 2 April Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk at Chaseley by Dave, G8PUO, on Saudi airport monitoring. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 2 April Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding its AGM. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 3 April Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for its special event. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 3 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is talking about the RMS Titanic event. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 3 April Leiston Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G4HUP and M0BCT on portable antennas. Details from Andy, G3ZYP, on 01394 460 441.

On Wednesday 4 April Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 4 April Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its second business meeting. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 4 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 4 April Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Thursday 5 April Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF from 20.30. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Thursday 5 April Cray Valley Radio Society is having a presentation on amateur TV by John Stockley, G8MNY. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 5 April Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 5 April Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on frequency standards by Wally Blanchard, G3JKV. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 5 April Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a wireless workshop and club night. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 5 April Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572. On Friday 6 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and equipment testing evening. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 6 April Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a club night. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 7 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST First, advance news that Lymington Community Centre Radio Club will be starting an Intermediate course on Wednesday 18 April at 7pm. More details from Keith, G8MZF, email m0lccandg8mzf@googlemail.com.

Solent Repeater Group announced that GB3PC was reactivated on Sunday 25 March following site renovations by the landlord. The Group is asking

for any donations to help cover costs to be sent to Solent Repeater Group care of David Walker, G8UCY, 43 Wimborne Road, BH21 3DS.

On Sunday 1 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is attending the South Gloucestershire Rally. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Sunday 1 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is at the South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Rally. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Sunday 1 April Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is running a club table at the South Gloucestershire amateur radio rally. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Wednesday 4 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 4 April Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Chris Clarke, G0AQL, on homebrew antennas for garden and portable. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 5 April Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having an operating night at the Burrraton Community centre. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321., m0bhg@yahoo.co.uk

On Thursday 5 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is looking at Bristol Wireless. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

NEWS FOR WALES On Tuesday 3 April Carmarthan Amateur Radio Society is having a display of repeater equipment. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Friday 6 April Newport Amateur Radio Society is looking at station modifications. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

460. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 26 March - 01 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 15:30:09 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
26 March - 01 April 2012

Solar activity was at mostly low levels during the period. Region
1451 (N17, L=306, class/area Cro/20 on 30 March), which is thought
to be old Region 1429, produced a C7 x-ray event on 29 March, the
largest event of the period. No other significant flares or
associated CMEs occurred.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit ranged
between normal and moderate levels off and on throughout the period.

Geomagnetic field activity began the period at quiet levels on 26
March and the first half of 27 March. Beginning around 0900 UTC on
27 March, conditions increased to unsettled levels over the next 12
hours, as the result of a sustained period of southward Bz near
-13nT. Shortly prior to 1800 UTC, a transition in polarity (SSBC)
was observed at the onset of weak Coronal Hole (CH) high speed
stream, with the NOAA planetary network of ground magnetometers
recording active levels over the next 9 hours so, ending at 0600 UTC
on 28 March. Individual high latitude stations recorded minor storm
levels simultaneously. From midday 28 March through the end of the
period on 01 April, geomagnetic activity remained at quiet levels.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
02 April - 28 April 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels
throughout the period with a slight chance for M-class flare
activity.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 02 April through 13
April. Flux values are forecast to increase to high levels on 14
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April and persist through 18 April, as the result of CH high speed stream effects. Flux values are expected to return to normal and moderate levels on 19 April, and remain so through the duration of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period at mostly quiet conditions and remain so through 03 April. On 04 April, quiet to unsettled conditions are expected as a small positive polarity CH is expected to move into a favorable position for a day or so. Predominately quiet conditions are expected again from 05 -10 April. On 11 April, high speed stream effects from recurrent negative polarity CH are forecast to bring unsettled and active conditions at mid latitudes and possible minor storm levels at high latitudes. This activity is expected to persist for 3 to 4 days. From 15 April through 23 April, conditions are expected to return to predominately quiet levels. A recurrent positive polarity CH is anticipated on 24 - 25 April, and is expected to increase activity to unsettled conditions. Mostly quiet geomagnetic conditions are expected from 26 April through the end of the period.

461. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 2 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 16:13:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Source record: 3328
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Dayton Hamvention MegALinK

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 01:16 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340611-Dayton-Hamvention-MegALinK&goto=newpost

Greetings!

Once again this year, K9NZF Systems☐ and the Chief Anderson Amateur Radio Club are proud to announce the Dayton Hamvention® MegALinK☐ special event wide area voice network for the 2012 Hamvention®. MegALinK☐ was conceived as a way to provide FM mobile voice coverage from central Indiana all the way to Dayton, Ohio, and now, in to and on the grounds of the Dayton Hamvention® itself!

After a successful trial run with a mobile simplex node in 2011, the on-site RF system has been upgraded to a stationary UHF VoIP-enabled repeater base station, providing portable coverage at Hara Arena itself, and wide-area connectivity via EchoLink®, IRLP, and RF to the other three MegALinK☐ core RF sites in Indiana, as well as any other stations that may wish to connect.

Core Sites participating in the K9NZF Systems☐ MegALinK☐ are the following:

WA9EOC Repeater

444.675/449.675 Carrier Squelch

EchoLink® N9DEZ-L (Closed - Connection by Permission Only)

IRLP Node 4465 (Primary IRLP Node - Open to All Stations)

Anderson, Indiana

I-70 Coverage from East Indianapolis to approximately IN-3 (I-70 Exit 123 in Indiana)

K9NZF Repeater

443.325/448.325 PL 103.5 Hz

EchoLink® K9NZF-R (Primary EchoLink® Node - Open to All Stations)

Modoc, Indiana

I-70 Coverage from IN-3 (I-70 Exit 123 in Indiana) to approximately I-70 Exit 21 in Ohio

KB9RRN Link

443.325 Simplex Narrowband FM DPL 325

EchoLink® KB9RRN-L (Secondary EchoLink® Node - Open to All Stations)

Greenwood, Indiana

Southwest Indianapolis Metropolitan Area Coverage

K9NZF Dayton Hamvention® MegALinK☐ On-Site Repeater

444.675/449.675 PL 131.8 Hz

EchoLink® K9NZF-L (Closed - For Linking & Control Purposes Only)

Dayton, Ohio

HARA Arena & Immediate Coverage Only

The Dayton Hamvention® MegALinK☐ On-Site Repeater is intended for portable coverage at the Dayton Hamvention®. It is closed to general amateur use by stations not participating in Dayton Hamvention® activities. All amateurs in route to or who are at the Hamvention® are welcome and encouraged to use the system to communicate with any other amateur on the system.

EchoLink® connectivity is also available to all interested stations, both single-user mode (PCs, tablets, and smart phones) and RF simplex links and repeaters through two EchoLink® nodes and one IRLP node. The primary EchoLink® node for stations wishing to connect is K9NZF-R, EchoLink® node number 443325. The secondary EchoLink® node for stations wishing to connect is KB9RRN-L, EchoLink® node number 541081. IRLP connectivity is available through the WA9EOC Chief Anderson Amateur Radio Club repeater by connecting to IRLP Node 4465.

It is recommended that stations wishing to connect over EchoLink® primarily connect to K9NZF-R (node 443325) as it features higher bandwidth capacity and serves as the hub of the Dayton Hamvention® MegALinK☐ system. K9NZF-L will be online as the Dayton Hamvention® MegALinK☐ On-Site Repeater, however it will not accept incoming connections in order to preserve all available bandwidth for the VoIP backhaul to the K9NZF Repeater master site. If all connection slots on K9NZF-R (node 443325) are full, please use the backup node, KB9RRN-L (node 541081).

Please make sure your EchoLink® or IRLP node is operating properly before connecting to the system. Stations connecting to the system whose nodes are operating improperly and/or causing unreasonable noise or interference (i.e. carrier-squelch operated repeaters or simplex nodes receiving co-channel or malicious interference) will be disconnected by the system control operators, and if necessary, permanently banned from the system.

Please direct any correspondence about the Dayton Hamvention® MegALinK☐ system to megalink@k9nzf.com, or visit our web site at

http://www.k9nzf.com. Thank you for your interest, and we hope to hear you on the system!

See you at Dayton Hamvention® 2012!

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Land Ops Geotactical Trip

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 11:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340602-Land-Ops-Geotactical-Trip&goto=newpost

Land Ops Geotactical Trip

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Thacher Island Activation - Rockport MA Aug 3rd - Aug 6th 2012

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 04:37 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340552-Thacher-Island-Activation-Rockport-MA-Aug-3rd-Aug-6th-2012&goto=newpost

The Cape Ann Amateur Radio Association will be holding a 4 day activation of Thacher Island again (Friday August 3rd thru Monday August 6th). This will be our 5th activation of the island. Thacher Island is IOTA # NA-148: USI: MA001S. Operation will be from the South Tower (Lighthouse # USA-105) and the North Tower (Lighthouse # USA-1027). For more information please go to our site www.caara.net .

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kb4svp-l marathon on echo link open to all

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 10:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340497-kb4svp-l-marathon-on-echo-link-open-to-all&got

o=newpost

Hi folks KB4SVP-L on echo link...the coffee shop is having celebration of their 2Nd anniversary all are welcome to check in to the coffee shop to get acquainted!! KA1WVM John

462. NZART Headquarters Infoline special issue 34s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 16:50:58 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <EB9FEE7FFDA84BB79EEC8D40CCEC89D1@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3329
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 34s

02 April 2012
NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

An oversight during preparation for distribution of infoline 248 meant the report on the Jock White Field Day was omitted.

Stuart’s report is included in this special issue, plus an updated results table.

2012 Jock White Field Day Report

A big thank you as always to all of you who went to the trouble to set up and operate field stations. Weather is a big factor in participation and was quite variable over the country. High winds and rain affected operation in the north while further south conditions were much better.

Propagation on 40 was probably the best we have experienced since the last sunspot cycle however DX contacts were markedly down on 80m this year.

This year was my first since taking over from Stan in 2006 where every field station has sent in their logs. All logs were in by the cut-off date allowing me to get this report out very early as well. Thanks you to all, this has probably halved my workload in processing entries.

Another bouquet: there were no reports received of splatter this year, and was my experience as well while operating. This is great to see (or hear!).

It was great to hear Christchurch back on, having missed 2011 for obvious reasons.

Kaikoura was activated by ZL1PY from Lake Tennyson in the remote Marlborough back country.

It was nice to hear a few new ones after an absence of several years: Nelson, Thames, North Canterbury and Wellington.

The Radio Electronics Group in the Waikato activated their new branch number (89) for the first time and I will modify the summary sheet to include them.

Sadly we were not to hear much of the voice of ZL6A as Jim was the head CW operator for the Nelson team.

There were a few absences this year: Papakura, Huntly, Tauranga Emergency, Inglewood and Titahi bay operated as a home station.

South Taranaki managed to take out the Patea trophy ahead of Napier and was a close thing.

This year there were 35 field station active, up from 32 in 2011, but down on the 37 in 2010.

There were the usual large teams at 1AM, 2QF, 2AB and 2KO.

Branch point numbers were lower than they would normally have been in the past for this many field stations as some teams dropped CW and/or 40 metres for this year.

Home Stations

It looked like with the absence of Jakey, ZL2JKY this year Gwynne, ZL1AAR might take out the home station section however Warren ZL2AJ appeared from no-where to scuttle that.

Operating Technique

This is probably a more important factor than your antenna in gaining more contacts for your team. It is in the best interests of everyone that contacts in Field day are made efficiently.

When conditions are good (on phone) there is no need to repeat the cypher, similarly callsigns don’t have to be used exhaustively once the initial contact is used. Obviously as band conditions change, or if there is QRM/QRN then repeats will be needed, sometimes a number of times.

Contacts needed to become a valid branch point

Note that 20 contacts are needed to achieve this on CW for field stations (50 on phone). I reduced from 25 points last year. There were three field stations affected by this rule, one made 19 contacts, however I was quite strict. Twenty contacts is only a little over one contact per hour for the entire event and should be achievable. I will not drop the number below 20 for reasons of fairness. Too few contacts mean many teams miss out on the chance to gain that branch point.

Thanks to Kapiti for persevering and making 51 phone contacts before going QRT.

Logs

The standard of logs this year were at a pretty high standard, I would request again that teams use the summary sheets off the NZART web-pages, having branch point callsigns on refill paper is not that helpful. See:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/

I will be re-distributing some of the branches from sheet 3 to sheet 2 as the last sheet is getting quite crowded.

Team Comments

Great experience for our most junior member

Saturday very windy

Windy but no rain, not like 2011

We hoped there would be more stations on CW

Enjoyable FD we with favourable weather and good attendance by local and distance members

Rained during set up then stopped

Operated in a venue open to the public and FD turned into a most worthwhile PR event.

As per the definition of being competitive or social as branch likes or all points in between. We were!

Operated from a horse float

Having broken my leg whilst on Christmas holidays I was unable to compete this year with our branch: home station was next best.

ZL2.. was a very aggressive operator

Several hundred sheep in paddock, luckily only two ground radials pulled out

Less DX stations this year

40 m definitely up

Had to sleep in the 4WD at Lake Tennyson as wind too strong to put the tent up

Grateful to the stations that persevered with our sometimes very faint signals (QRP).

High winds and rain meant one station ended up at plan C: operating from the front lawn.

Disappointed not to hear more DX

While having dinner felt guilty about no one from the club participating do set up on the front lawn

Check Logs

Received with thanks from ZL2AYK and ZL2DW

Valid branch points (Multipliers)

Total: 90 (86 maximum available to field stations)

80m phone: 01 02 03 04 05 08 10 12 18 20 22 23 25 26 27 28 29 30 37 41 46 48 50 53 58 63 64 68 69 76 79 83 86 87 89

80m CW: 01 02 03 04 05 12 22 25 26 27 28 29 30 46 53 68 86 87

40m phone: 01 02 05 08 10 12 18 20 22 25 27 28 30 37 41 46 50 58 64 68 83 86 87 89

40m CW: 01 02 05 18 22 25 27 28 30 46 50 68 87

73s

Stuart Watchman ZL2TW

Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 29th April 2012. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 13th April 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 12th April

463. eHam.net News for Monday 2 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-02 22:46:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8378ed845804bcb9f52e@google.com>
Source record: 3330
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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First Scottish-Built Satellite Ukube-1 to Launch in 2013:

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 05:08 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28019

The first satellite to be built in Scotland is due to be launched next year. UKube-1 is being built at the West of Scotland Science Park in Maryhill, Glasgow. The United Kingdom Universal Bus Experiment, to give it its proper name, is a pilot programme from the UK Space Agency to test new technologies in space. A big idea, perhaps. But the trick is to think small. The underlying CubeSat concept came originally from America: to create a satellite 10cm by 10cm by 10cm. That gives you a volume of just one litre, but that can contain a surprising amount of science in low Earth orbit. It's a package which costs, by space exploration standards, relatively little to build and launch.

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Roger Coulter, KT4HV (SK):

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28018

COULTER, Roger Lee, 66, of Radford, VA, passed away on Friday, March 9, 2012. Roger was the third son of Marion Francis Coulter, Sr. and Margaret Thompson Coulter. He was born in Wheeling, WV on June 14, 1945. He was a member of St. Jude's Catholic Church in Radford and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy attached to the U.S. Marines as a medic. He was a graduate of Wheeling High School, a graduate of the Ohio Valley School of Nursing in Steubenville, OH and of the Shadyside School of Anesthesiology in Pittsburgh, PA. He was a member of the New River Valley Amateur Radio Club "KT4HV" since 1996 and was a national volunteer examiner coordinator for amateur radio for 14 years.

464. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 3 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-03 11:06:53 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c927b2d2e95004bcc44cff@google.com>
Source record: 3331
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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InnovAntennas launch new Loop Beam

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mFhg_3SFXrE/innovantennas_launches_new_loop_beam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Today InnovAntennas officially launches the new LFA-Q loop Yagi beam. The LFA-Q is a quad-style antenna which uses LFA Yagi loops for all elements

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Online DXCC Application makes its debut

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OWvap7VgNtg/online_dxcc_application.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL's new Online DXCC tool should now be ready to accept applications, allowing hams to supply the data from traditional paper QSLs in a digital form to apply for a new DXCC award or endorsement

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HF WebSDR in Sweden

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UY_ZQFfNY_A/hf_websdr_in_sweden.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An online Software Defined Radio (SDR) located in Sweden for the amateur radio 3, 5, 7 and 14 MHz bands is now available

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Radio Caroline DJ Tom Lodge

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/--nAbmF99Y0/radio_caroline_dj_tom_lodge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tom Lodge, the Grandson of Wireless Telegraphy pioneer Sir Oliver Lodge, passed away March 25, aged 75

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New Zealand repeater licensing from November 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XKZQ5P1Xq2o/nz_repeater_licensing_from_

november_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Repeater and beacon licences, currently held in the name of NZART, will be handed back to those Branches who own and operate the many repeaters, beacons and fixed links in New Zealand

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Promoting Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SubB2-ku3Yc/promoting_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Promoting amateur radio will take centre stage this coming Wednesday, the 4th of April, at the Sacred Heart College in Observatory, Gauteng

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Somalia DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HstKB3_Hjf0/somalia_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Intrepid-DX Group is pleased to announce their next DXpedition, as 6O3A from Hargeisa, Somaliland (Somalia), to take place from November 6-14th, 2012

465. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 3 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-03 16:29:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407c159f8d604bcc8ce5e@google.com>
Source record: 3332
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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NWS St. College has scheduled the SKYWARN Spotters Class Monday April 23rd

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 05:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340729-NWS-St-College-has-scheduled-the-SKYWARN-Spotters-Class-Monday-April-23rd&goto=newpost

Cambria County SKYWARN: Officially, the NWS St. College has scheduled the SKYWARN Spotters Class for Monday April 23rd @ 7:00pm EDT. The Location will be the Central Park Complex Auditorium, 110 Franklin St. in Johnstown, PA. Parking will be available behind CPC and Religious Book Store. The instructor will be Charles Ross, Senior Hydrologist NWS St. College, PA. This class is open to anyone. Please register/w Charles Ross via email to; charles.ross@noaa.gov cc; n3ssd@cambriaradio.com.

Pass the word...invite area hams and their family members, friends, Police, Fire, and EMS. Anyone should take advantage of this opportunity, not only hams.

N3SSD Mike

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TM1F Ratonneau island, EU-095

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 01:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340704-TM1F--Ratonneau-island-EU-095&goto=newpost

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I□m glad to announce that we will be active from the 21st to the 25th April 2012 with callsign TM1F, from Ratonneau Island EU-095.

Team members are: I2RFJ Ivano, IV3BSY Alberto, IZ2ESV Tony, and myself IZ2LSC Andrea. We will be QRV with 3 stations on HF 80-6 meters band in CW, Phone and DIGI modes.

QSL is via IK2DUW.

TM1F on twitter.

Additional info on the official website.

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Dayton FORUMS schedule just released!!!!

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 12:32 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340684-Dayton-FORUMS-schedule-just-released!!!!&goto=newpost

http://www.hamvention.org/forums.php

Quite a great lineup this year (2012!)

Carole Perry WB2MGP, Gordon West WB6NOA, Bob Heil K9EID, Bill Brown WB8ELK,

Bob Bruninga WB4APR, Mark Spencer WA8SME, John Amodeo NN6JA, Bill Pasternak WA6ITF, Don Miller W9NTP, and many many many more!

And, (Shameless Plug!) WA6MHZ on the Crest Radio Museum Sunday morning 9:15 AM in room 3. Free Hallicrafters SX-88 for all attendees!!! (well, maybe.....)

466. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 3 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-03 16:49:07 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Canada issues its first Developmental License VX9GHD on the 5 meg, 60 meter
Band

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 09:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340664-Canada-issues-its-first-Developmental-License-VX9GHD-on-the-5-meg-60-meter-Band&goto=newpost

Industry Canada issues its first license on the new 60 meter developmental
band, VX9GHD to VE3FI Russ Hemphill today. Canadians have been waiting for
3 years for this new opportunity to join the USA, and Britain. This band
is badly needed for Emergency Communications, when conditions on 40 and 80
are not suitable for transmitting or receiving traffic. This license is
for one year, then it will be open to all canadian amateurs using their own
call sign.

Russ Hemphill VX9GHD/VE3FI

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Google Tap!

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 12:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340522-Google-Tap!&goto=newpost

Morse Code is back !!!

Check it out, brilliant!

http://youtu.be/1KhZKNZO8mQ

Happy April 1st !!

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ANS-092 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 07:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340480-ANS-092-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-092

ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

April 1, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

BID: $ANS-092.01

Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould, WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...012/Dayton.php for the latest AMSAT at Dayton news and developments.

AMSAT Theme at Dayton 2012: Running with Fox

The 2012 Dayton Hamvention will be held this year on 18 - 20 May 2012. As has been the case for the many years Hamvention will be at the Hara Arena Complex on the north side of Dayton. AMSAT will occupy the same booths (444-449) in Ball Arena, right across from the ARRL area and just inside the door from the Satellite Demonstration area.

The AMSAT theme for 2012 is "Running with Fox". We will have multiple exhibits of the new AMSAT satellite on display.

Visit AMSAT's Dayton Hamvention page for all details on activities:

http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...012/Dayton.php

Some of the activities will include:

Life size Fox models will be on display as well as diagrams of the modules inside the 10cm square satellite.Operational prototype of ARISSat-1 on display.AMSAT Thursday Night Get-together at the Tickets Pub & Eatery.The sixth annual AMSAT/TAPR Banquet will be Friday night May 18 at the Kohler Banquet Center. The price for the Banquet is $30. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Follow the links on AMSAT's Dayton page.The AMSAT Forum will be on Saturday May 19.

AMSAT/TAPR Friday Night Banquet

AMSAT/TAPR Banquet on Friday night, May 18 is one of the main AMSAT activities during the 2012 Hamvention at Dayton.

AMSAT is pleased to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured speaker for the evening event. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle, the 64 - 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver. This innovative USB device is the size of a thumbdrive and has an SMA antenna socket. Multiple SDR control and display software programs can be used with the FUNcube Dongle.

Banquet tickets will not be sold at the AMSAT booth during the Hamvention so reservations must be made through the AMSAT Store. Tickets are $30 apiece.

ARISS Mentor Introduction at Dayton 2012

AMSAT and ARRL are teaming up during the 2012 Hamvention to recruit new ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators.

Friday and Saturday (May 18 & 19) at 4pm in the ARRL stage area AMSAT Vice President for Educational Relations Mark Hammond N8MH will explain the need for additional ARISS Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators and the requirements and responsibilities needed to help provide a reliable conversation between astronauts and selected schools or groups.

Technical Mentors serve as an advising and coordinating liaison between NASA, the school or group making the ARISS contact, and the Ground Station Operators, who set up the satellite station at the contact location. We encourage anyone interested in helping make future school contacts with the ISS successful to please attend.

AMSAT to Facilitate Student Satellite Contacts

AMSAT is encouraging all students attending the 2012 Dayton Hamvention to come by the Satellite Demonstration Area just outside of the Ball Arena entrance and make a contact using the amateur satellites. There will be AMSAT volunteers there to explain how to make the contacts and during actual satellite passes will try to get as many students as possible to

complete actual contacts. There are lists of satellite pass times in the satellite demonstration area and at the AMSAT booth.

[ANS thanks Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

AMSAT-NA Board of Directors Nominations

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. A valid nomination requires either one current Member Society, or five current individual members in good standing, to nominate an AMSAT-NA member for the position.

Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK.

The three nominees receiving the highest number of votes will be seated as regular board members with two year terms. The two nominees receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternate directors for one year.

Written nominations, consisting of names, calls and individual signatures, should be mailed to: AMSAT-NA, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. They must be received no later than June 15th. No other action is required.

Nominations may also be made by electronic means including e-mail, FAX, or electronic image of a petition. Electronic petitions should be sent to MARTHA@AMSAT.ORG or faxed to 301-608-3410, and also must be received by June 15th. If using any electronic submission, there is a second, verifying step:

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WITHOUT THIS SECOND, WRITTEN VERIFICATION ARE NOT VALID UNDER THE EXISTING AMSAT-NA BYLAWS. A verifying traditional written petition MUST be received at the AMSAT-NA office at the above address within 7 days following the close of nominations.[ANS Thanks AMSAT Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

QB50 CubeSat Proposal Deadline Extended to April 30

QB50 is a network 50 CubeSats in a 'string-of-pearls' configuration that will be launched together in the first half of 2015 by a single rocket, a Shtil-2.1, from Murmansk, Northern Russia into a circular 320 km altitude, 79 degree inclination orbit. (https://www.qb50.eu) The mission lifetime of individual CubeSats is estimated to be about three months.

The von Karman Institute for Fluid Dynamics in Brussels, Belgium is accepting CubeSat proposals from interested University and Research teams until April 30. The selection of 50 CubeSats for the exploration of the lower thermosphere, re-entry research and in-orbit demonstration of new technologies and miniaturized science sensors will be made by the Selection Committee in early June. Proposing teams will be individually notified of their election/non-selection shortly thereafter.

The 50 CubeSats will comprise an on-orbit network of:

About 40 atmospheric 2U CubeSatsAbout 10 2U or 3U CubeSats for In-Orbit Demonstration of science and technology payloads.

All 40 atmospheric 2U CubeSats and most of the 10 2U and 3U CubeSats for In-Orbit Demonstration will carry a set of standardized sensors for multi-point, in-situ, long-duration measurements of key parameters and constituents in the largely unexplored lower thermosphere and ionosphere. Once requirements for the standardized sensor package and network/communication requirements have been met the CubeSat team may use remaining on-board space or electronic capability to conduct their own additional research.

QB50 will also study the re-entry process by measuring a number of key parameters during re-entry, e.g. CubeSat on-board temperature and deceleration.

A single CubeSat is simply too small to also carry sensors for significant scientific research. Hence, for the universities the main objective of developing, launching and operating a CubeSat is educational. However, when combining a large number of CubeSats with identical sensors launched at the same time into a network, in addition to the educational value, fundamental scientific questions can be addressed which are inaccessible otherwise.

Networks of CubeSats have been under discussion in the CubeSat community for several years, but so far no university, institution or space agency has taken the initiative to set up and coordinate such a powerful network. The QB50 network can still fully achieve its mission objectives even if a few CubeSats fail.

Typically, a university builds a CubeSat and launches it into low Earth orbit. It also builds or already has available a ground station to track the CubeSat and enable uplink/downlink telecommunications.

The period in a low-Earth orbit (about 600 km altitude) is about 90 minutes, but the duration of a satellite pass over the ground station is approximately 10 minutes in the best case to no coverage at all for most of the 16 daily orbits. When supporting only one satellite project the ground station is not in operation 97% of the time. If a mission critical emergency occurs aboard the CubeSat it can be only addressed on single orbits within range of the dedicated ground station.

An international network, the Global Educational Network for Satellite Operations (GENSO), under development may well be set up in time for QB50. It would eventually comprise more than 100 ground stations in different parts of the world, providing a vastly improved uplink and downlink capability for all CubeSats. The international QB50 network in orbit would be the first major user of the international GENSO network on the ground. In case GENSO is not set up in time for QB50, CubeSat teams are encouraged to set up a subset ground station network comprising any number of ground stations.

The QB50 homepage can be accessed at: https://www.qb50.eu

[ANS thanks the QB50 Project for the above information]

SpaceDaily Posts Article Detailing RAX-2 CubeSat Scientific Success

An article posted on SpaceDaily.com gives additional details of the successful RAX-2 CubeSat scientific success. In their Solar Science section, "Researchers take first-ever measurement of auroral turbulence using a nanosatellite radar receiver", is an article furtherexplaining the scientific discovery. Read the full article on-line.

[Menlo Park CA (SPX) Mar 26, 2012] - Researchers from SRI International and the University of Michigan have taken the first-ever measurement of naturally occurring auroral turbulence recorded using a nanosatellite radar receiver. The research was done with support from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and NASA's Educational Launch of Nanosatellites (ELaNa) Initiative.

The distinctive radar echoes recorded on March 8 were taken with the Radio Aurora Explorer (RAX) CubeSat. The RAX nanosatellite measured turbulence over Fairbanks, Alaska that was a direct result of a geomagnetic storm triggered by the largest solar flare in the past five years.

The Earth's high latitude ionosphere, a region of the upper atmosphere associated with solar-driven aurora or "northern lights," becomes highly unstable when large currents flow during geomagnetic storms. RAX was specifically designed by SRI and the University of Michigan to measure this auroral turbulence from an orbital vantage point inaccessible to traditional ground-based radars.

"The RAX radar echo discovery has convincingly proved that miniature satellites, beyond their role as teaching tools, can provide high caliber measurements for fundamental space weather research," said Therese Moretto Jorgensen, Ph.D., Geospace program director in the Division of Atmospheric and Geospace Sciences at the National Science Foundation.

The project's mission was to use small satellites called CubeSats to remotely explore formation of charged particle filaments created in response to intense electrical currents in space.

These plasma structures, a form of turbulence called field-aligned irregularities (FAIs), can distort communication and navigation signals such as global positioning systems (GPS). During the recent solar flare, RAX measured FAI echoes using the Poker Flat Incoherent Scatter Radar (PFISR), an NSF research radar operated by SRI.

"The recently collected radar echoes allow us to determine the root cause and to possibly predict future disturbances in the auroral ionosphere - disturbances that can severely compromise communication and GPS satellites," said Hasan Bahcivan, Ph.D., a research physicist in SRI's Center for Geospace Studies, and principal investigator of the RAX mission.

A team of University of Michigan students under the direction of James Cutler, Ph.D., an assistant professor in the Aerospace Engineering Department, designed, built, and operated the satellite and gathered the

radar echo data.

RAX was the first CubeSat to be selected as part of an NSF program to use small satellites for space weather and atmospheric research. The RAX CubeSat is a three liter satellite weighing three kilograms. It was launched by NASA on October 28, 2011, and has since completed 18 experiments.

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NASA Credits Increasing CubeSat Capability in O/OREOS Mission Success

Launched in November, 2011 NASA's Organism/Organic Exposure to Orbital Stresses (O/OREOS) nanosatellite has successfully carried microorganisms to a high-inclination, low-Earth orbit and monitored the effects of the space environment on their growth and metabolism.

Two populations of the microbe Bacillus subtilis into space. One set of microbes was a naturally occurring strain, and the second was a radiation-resistant mutant strain. The microorganisms were part of the Space Environment Survivability of Live Organisms (SESLO) project, which characterized the growth, activity, health and ability of microorganisms to adapt to the stresses of the space environment including exposure to a total dose rate of radiation nearly 15 times greater than that experienced in the orbit of the International Space Station.

In space, bacterial spores successfully germinated and grew after 14 days in orbit and again after 97 days. In microgravity, the cells generally grew and metabolized more slowly than their counterparts on Earth. Interestingly, the microorganisms grown at 97 days of exposure showed no significant difference in their growth parameters than those grown at 14 days. The study provides insight into how living organisms cope with life beyond our planet.

O/OREOS also carried another set of experiments: the Space Environment Viability of Organics (SEVO), which monitored the stability and changes in four classes of organic molecules during spaceflight.

"The full success of the O/OREOS mission demonstrates convincingly that cubesats can be cost-effective platforms for performing science research and conducting technology demonstrations," said Mary Voytek, senior scientist of NASA's Astrobiology Program at NASA Headquarters, in a statement from NASA.

"The capabilities of cubesats are growing steadily, making them good candidates to operate precursor experiments for missions on larger satellites, the International Space Station, lunar surface exposure facilities, and planetary exploration."

The full story can be accessed on SpaceDaily.com.

ARISS Contacts Receive Media Coverage

Media coverage of recent ARISS contacts can viewed on-line. The ARISS contact on March 21 with students at Salem Elementary in Apex, North Carolina had the opportunity to question of astronaut Don Pettit KD5MDT 241 miles (388 km) up and on the other side of the Earth aboard the International Space Station. Tony Hutchison, VK5ZAI provided the telebridge link to the ISS amateur radio station NA1SS.

Local television coverage on WRAL-TV and a report of the contact can viewed on-line at:

http://www.wral.com/weather/blogpost/10904028/

News 14 Channel coverage of the Apex ARISS contact is at:

http://tinyurl.com/news14-ARISS

The News Observer article can be read at:

http://tinyurl.com/newsobserver-ARISS

Listen to an interview with some of the students:

http://www.wcpss.net/podcast/2012_ma...alem/index.mp3

Also on March 21 the Swiss Air Force Museum Clin d'Ailes, located on the Swiss Airforce Base in Payerne, Switzerland, established an ARISS contact with ESA astronaut André Kuipers, PI9ISS, aboard the International Space Station.

Astronaut André Kuipers operated with the ISS callsign OR4ISS. This was a direct contact performed by the Amateur radio Club station HB9SPACE, located in the museum. Two videos of this event can be viewed on-line at:

http://www.20min.ch/ro/videotv/?vid=244405&cid=120

http://www.20min.ch/ro/videotv/?vid=244395&cid=120

Southgate ARC provides detailed coverage of the HB9SPACE event at:

http://tinyurl.com/HB9SPACE-ARISS - and -

http://www.uk.amsat.org/6095

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Satellite Shorts From All Over

The ESA□s Education Office has maintained frequent contacts with the student teams to follow the progress of their satellite operations after the February 13 launch of the Vega rocket delivering seven ESA-sponsored CubeSats into low Earth orbit. The status of the CubeSats is posted. Photos are posted also.
Call for Papers - Central States VHF Society 46th Annual Conference, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, July 26-28, 2012. If you would like to contribute a paper, presentation, or poster, please contact Rod Blocksome, K0DAS, CSVHF Conference Program Chairman as soon as possible with the title and a short description. You can reach Rod at k0das@arrl.net or at his callbook

address. Check CSVHFS web page for authors for more information.
The ARISS International monthly teleconference was held on Tuesday, March 20. The HamTV discussion covered the meetings that ESA and NASA are engaging in to ensure coordination of the project. Minutes have been posted.
TAMSAT Project Coordinator, Levent Sasmazel, WW2L posted good news about TAMSAT, Association of Amateur Satellite Technologies in Turkey completion of the Internal Housekeeping Unit processor of their satellite. Photos and a full description are posted on the AMSAT-UK web.
The WebSDR receiver is located at the Astronomical Observatory Department of □Stefan cel Mare□ University in Suceava, Romania has added coverage of 437.470 □ 437.515 MHz to enable reception of the Romanian amateur radio CubeSat Goliat. The original WebSDR receiver at this site provides coverage of the 3.5 MHz band. Tune in at: http://sdr.opt.ro:8901/ More information about the Goliat CubeSat is posted at: http://www.goliat.ro/
Light your fire. AMSAT-UK posted news about the STRaND-1 smart phone amateur radio CubeSat Plasma Propulsion Thruster. This system will be the first propulsive technology to provide very precise attitude control and pointing. Read the full article at AMSAT-UK.
The BBC TV Newsnight show covered Clyde Space and UKube-1 in a recent airing. UKube-1 is a 3U CubeSat being designed and produced by Clyde Space for the UK Space Agency. UKube-1 is the UK□s first CubeSat and will fly a total of 6 independent payloads. UKube-1 will carry a set of AMSAT-UK FUNcube boards providing a 435/145 MHz linear transponder and BPSK telemetry beacon.
Know when to duck ... NASA Jet Propulsion Labs has an on-line tool (with web, telnet, and e-mail interfaces) called the HORIZONS system which can be used to generate ephemerides for solar-system bodies. The Near-Earth Object Human Space Flight Accessible Targets Study (NHATS) and the HORIZONS system will allow prediction of the passage of Near Earth Asteroids. (These are scientific tools but offer a significant learning opportunity for citizen scientists.) Check out http://neo.jpl.nasa.gov/nhats/ - and - http://neo.jpl.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/nhats HORIZONS access is at: http://ssd.jpl.nasa.gov/?horizons
Echolink SATCHAT net control Vince Waelti, K9TSU announced the new schedule of the on-line net. SATCHAT will meet on the AMSAT Server on Echolink 1900-2030 hours CDT (UTC-5) on the first, third, and fifth Saturdays of each month. A few upcoming dates for the net: April 7, April 21, May 5, May 19, June 2, June 16. All interested amateur radio operators are invited to check in.
Watch the launch of ESA's ATV Edoardo Amaldi on an Ariane 5 rocket from Europe's Spaceport in Kourou, French Guiana, on March 23.
Check out this linked image. All those tiny points of light aren't stars; they're entire galaxies, seen by the European Southern Observatory's VISTA survey telescope located at the Paranal Observatory in Chile. ESO's UltraVISTA survey revealed over 200,000 distant galaxies. (UniverseToday.com)
Using state-of-the-art deep sea sonar, a team says they have found the Apollo 11 engines lying 14,000 feet below the surface. Plans to attempt to raise one or more of them from the ocean floor are under study. It is

unknown yet what condition these engines might be in because they hit the ocean at high velocity and have been in salt water for more than 40 years. Read more.
Yuri's (VE3/UT1FG/MM) ship was the first foreign ship to dock in Toronto for the 2012 shipping season. The event is celebrated in a ceremony and the captain is crowned with a 150 year old Beaver Hat on the ship. Yuri should be in Thunder Bay on April 1st. He expects to be there for several days. The next destination is Puerto Rico. Watch on YouTube. (via John, K8YSE)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that please keep in mind the ham who produced a theatrical performance about puns. Reviews said it was a play on words.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

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Lego 1U Cubesat,launch confirmed April 2012

Posted: 01 Apr 2012 03:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340454-Lego-1U-Cubesat-launch-confirmed-April-2012&goto=newpost

In a little under a weeks time Lego-1 is due to make history by being the first 1U cubesat to be made from 40% lego,a team from ogel universtiy hope to be the first team to have a cubesat in orbit, made by the 1940s building blocks.

http://www.uk.amsat.org/6194

467. [DXNL] DXNL 1774 (Apr 4, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-03 18:04:00 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <612795546.20120403200030@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3334
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The DXNL team wishes a happy Easter holiday to all its readers and their
families!

3DA, SWAZILAND
Filip,ON4AEO, XYL Kath,ON7BK, Sid,ZS6AYC, XYL Adele,ZR6APT, Gert,ZS6GC,
Jose,ON4CJK, YL Elna,ZS6EB, YL Steff,ON3AEO, Lucas,ZS6ACT, and
Herman,ZS5LH, all members of the Fox Charlie DXpedition Team, will be
active as 3DA0FC in SSB, RTTY and PSK on 80m-10m from Apr 6-10.
QSL via ON4CJK. Following frequencies were announced:
SSB: 3780, 7063, 14185, 18136, 21290, 24930, 28490 kHz
RTTY: 3590, 7040, 10149, 14084, 18104, 21084, 24924, 28084 kHz
PSK: 7038, 14072, 18102, 21072, 24922, 28122 kHz.
See also their webeite: http://3da0fc.tk

8R, GUYANA
Anderson,PY2TNT, and Alex,PY2WAS, with the support of the "Mediterraneo
DX Club" (MDXC) will be QRV as 8R1PY from Lethem in CW/SSB on 80m-10m
from Apr 5-8. QSL via PY2WAS, OQRS. See: http://www.mdxc.org/8r1py

9M, MALAYSIA
Vic,R6AF, is active in CW and some SSB on 40m-10m signing 9M2/R6AF/p
from Palau Besar/West Malaysia (AS-097) until Apr 5 or 6 and after that
as 9M2/R6AF/6 on Sabah, Borneo/East Malaysia (OC-088) from Apr 8-11.
QSLs via homecall.

9M0, SPRATLY ISLANDS, AS-051
Some members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS)
and the 9M4SD team plan to activate this rare DX as 9M0L from
Pulau Layang Layang (Swallow Reefs, AS-051) from Apr 10-24. The team
includes Tex-san,9M2TO, Neoh,9M2CLN, Tack-san,JE1CKA, Hajime,7K4QOK,
David,9M2PX, Yasuma,9M8YY, Nigel,G3TXF, Joe,JA1LZR, Takuto,9M2/JE1SCJ,
Miyama,JE1KUC, Naoyuki,JK1FNL, Hiroyuki,JP1TRJ, and Yutaka,JQ2GYU.
They will work with four stations in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m using

Spider Beams and a special Layang antenna mainly on following QRGs:
CW: 1811, 3511, 7011, 10121, 14011, 18071, 21011, 24891, 28011,
50101 kHz
SSB: 3791, 7081 (RX 7100+ for US), 14160, 18130, 21275, 24940,
28405, 50110 kHz
RTTY: 3521 (RX 3590+ for EU) 7031, 10141, 14081, 18101, 21081,
24921, 28081 kHz
QSL via bureau. See also: http://9m0l.legendchew.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND, NA-063
Alan,VE1AWW, will be active as CY0/VE1AWW during his spare time from
April until June. QSL via homecall.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
Alan,VK4WR, and Graeme,VK4FI, are travelling to Rarotonga (OC-013) from
Apr 8-27 to produce some pile-ups as E51BKM and E51GMH in CW and SSB
on 40m-6m. QSLs via homecalls, unfortunately only direct.

F, FRANCE
The club of North Contentin (F6KFW) remembers the 100th anniversary of
the Titanic catastrophy by activating the special callsign TM5MGY in
all modes and on all bands on Apr 10. CW operation will be made with
a replica of the original Titanic Morse key. The suffix indicates the
of the Titanic's callsign MGY. QSL via F6KFW.

The special callsign TM27UFT will be aired in CW on HF/VHF during
the 27th meeting of the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes (UFT) in
Vineuil (Loc JN07qn) near Blois in central France (province Centre,
DPF 07; department Loir-et-Cher/41) from Apr 8-22.
QSL via F6ICG, Direct QSLs after July 15. See also: http://www.uft.net
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The special callsign TM95BA remembers the battle of Arras 95 years ago
working on the bands on the weekends between Apr 7 and May 8.
QSL via F6IEO. See also: http://www.ref62.fr

G, ENGLAND
The sinking of the Titanic on Apr 15, 1912, triggered shockwaves around
the world since then and always touched the hearts of men. Remembering
the tragedy 15 OPs will activate the special event station GR100MGY
with two 400 watt transmitters and directional antennas on 3.5-28 MHz
from Apr 10-15. They will work mainly in CW, with some phone operation
during the public days on Apr 14/15. QSL via G3SXW.
See also: http://www.gr100mgy.org.uk

A few members of the Southampton Radio Club plan to hit the airwaves
as M100T from Apr 6-8 and every following weekend for the same reason.

The special event station GB100MGY will be active on HF in all modes
from the Fort Perch Rock Marine Radio Museum in New Brighton (EU-005,
WLOTA 1841) from Apr 6-26. They have also the special permission to
work on 501-504 kHz from Apr 12-18 with Crossband operation on 3566 kHz

or 7066 kHz. QSL via M0BZZ. See http://www.gb100mgy-fortperchrock.co.uk

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Mauri,KP2/AG1LE, wants to hand out a few IOTA points from Radio Reef (aka KP2M contest station) in Christiansted on St Croix (NA-106, USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477) from Apr 4-11. See: http://ag1le.blogspot.de

OZ, DENMARK, EU-030
Doc,OZ/DF1XC, and Joana,OZ/DJ5YL, will be QRV from Bornholm (EU-030) on 40m-10m from Apr 7-14. QSLs via homecalls.

PA, NETHERLANDS
PH4RTM/WHE is working in all modes on all bands from Apr 5-13 during the World Horticultural Expo (Welt-Garten-Expo FLORIADE) in Venlo taking place from Apr 5 until Oct 7. QSL via PH4RTM.
See also: http://www.floriade.com

PY, BRAZIL
The special callsign ZY2014WC marks the upcoming FIFA World Cup.
QSL via PS7KC.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT, NA-103
Budd,W3FF (VP2MFF), Guy,N7UN (VP2MUN), Paul,KB9AVO (VP2MVO), Larry,W7DGP (VP2MLR), Russel,N7QR (VP2MQR), Tom,K2GSJ (VP2MTM), and Chris,N2YYZ (VP2MYZ), will be active using 100 watts and Buddipoles from Apr 8-16. QSLs unfortunately only direct via homecalls, LoTW.

XE, MEXICO
The Federacion Mexicana de Radioexperimentadores (FMRE) celebrates its 80th anniversary with the special callsign 6D0LM.

XV, VIETNAM
Larry,W6NWS, is working as XV2W from Cai Be in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 80m-10m until June 12. QSL via homecall.

Seihachi,JA7LU, signs XV2LU from Vung Tau in SSB and RTTY on 20m-6m from Apr 5-8. QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct .

ISWL Club
The ISWL Club will be on the air with following callsigns in April:
OP Geof,M0BAU, as GX4BJC/A from Great Sutton in Cheshire (WAB Square SJ37, EU-005, LH-1841).
OP Martin,GW4GNY, as MC1SWL/A from Guilsfield in Powys (EU-005, WAB Square SY21, LH-0453). See also: http://www.iswl.org.uk

Preparations for Conway Reef
Hrane,YT1AD, is travelling to Fiji, Samoa and American Samoa to prepare his DXpedition in April. He wants to hit the airwaves as KH8/N9YU from Pago Pago (OC-045) on Apr 7-9, as 5W7A from Apia (OC-097) on Apr 9-11 and as 3D2R from Rotuma (OC-060) from Apr 13-20. On Rotuma he plans to meet Tevita Rokobaro,3D2TR, of Ministry of Tourism and Communication and donations from Mike K6MKF (antenna rotor) and by him (RF LPA 500W) will be handed over to the Rotuma High School Club Station (3D2RI) with

help during installation.

Deleted from WAE Countries List
Malyj Visotskij has been deleted from the WAE Countries List on Feb 17.

PIRATE: TO4E who alleged to be active from Europa Island (AF-009) on
Mar 24/25 was a pirate. The original TO4E DXpedition took place in 2003
and no other Ham radio licence for Europa has been issued since then.
Access to the island is prohibited generally. Furthermore they are
using other callsign blocks for four years now:
Terre Adelie: FT5Y
Crozet: FT5W
Amsterdam: FT5Z
Kerguelen: FT5X
Glorieuses: FT5G
Tromelin: FT5T
Europa: FT5E
Juan de Nova: FT5J
The callsign blocks FR5/G, /T, /E, /J does not exist anymore.
See also: https://twitter.com/f5nql

SILENT KEY: Fred Maya,W5YI, CQ columnist, examiner, trainer and author,
passed away at the age of 76 on Mar 28. See also: http://cqnewsroom.
blogspot.com/2012/03/cq-columnist-fred-maia-w5yi-silent-key.html
Our condolences and sympathy are with his family and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could
get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 7/8 QRP-ARCI Spring QSO Party
Apr 7/8 DARC VHF QRP Contest
Apr 7/8 SP DX Contest
Apr 7/8 EA RTTY Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-109, R9K, Obskaya Gulf group: A group of Russian HAMs (teamlead Igor,
UA9KDF, with Valery,RG8K, Artyom,UA9KAM) is working as RT9K/p from
Zhuravlinyy Island until April 5. Depending on the weather they plan
to reach the island with three snowmobiles. Their radio equipment
includes a TS-590, FT-857, BiggIR, ACOM-1010 and more.
QSLs will be sent via bureau automatically. Direct QSLs via RX9KM.

EU-001, SV5, Dodecanese: Giorgio,IZ4AKS, is going to spend his holidays on
Rhodos Island from April 9-16. If time permits he wants to work as
SV5/IZ4AKS on the HF bands every day using a K3, Yaesu FT897 and wires.
QSL via IZ4AKS (direct).

EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: The South Cheshire ARS and Stockport ARS
members Mark,M0UTD, Ray,M1REK, and Tom,M0DCG, plan to activate three
islands of the Inner Hebrides as GM6TW and GM6TW/p from April 7-13.
Their main location is Jura Island (IOSA NH21, Loc IO75AT, WLOTA 3078).
They plan more trips to Islay Island (IOSA NH22, Loc IO65TS,WLOTA 1826)
on Apr 9 and also to Colonsay Island (IOSA NH19, Loc IO65WU,WLOTA 1574)
on Apr 11. QSLs via M0UTD (bureau/direct/LoTW).

EU-012, GM/MM, Shetland and Fair Isle: The special event station GB2WG will
be activated from Scalloway (Shetland) on Apr 8-20 to commemorate the
Titanic tragedy 100 years ago and the special role of Walter Gray
(hometown: Scalloway). Walter was the radio operator at Cape Race on
Newfoundland who passed along the messages of the sinking Titanic to
New York. QSL via MM5PSL (bureau/direct).

EU-042, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: Klaus,DL7UXG/p, will
be QRV from Foehr Island (GIA N-17, WLOTA 4067) from Apr 10&#65533;12.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

Thomas,DJ6OI/p, is active from Sylt until April 8. QSL via homecall.

NA-138&#65533; W4, Florida State North East: Sherry,KD4STW, and Randy,AJ4RW, are
going to visit Little Talbot Island (USi FL116S) on Apr 6 and will show
up from there as AJ4RW in SSB on 20m and 15m. If possible they will
also try to make some RTTY and PSK31-QSO's. QSL only direct via AJ4RW.

NA-143, W5, Texas State East: On Apr 5&#65533;8, Joe,K5KUA/5, will be QRV again
from Galveston Island (USi TX001S, Galveston County) mainly in SSB on
80m-10m and maybe also some CW. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct/LoTW).

Planning your activities:
> Activity week WLOTA during the 1st weekend of July
> IOTA Contest on July 28/29
> ILLW Activity Week from August 1-8
> ARLHS Weekend during the 3rd weekend of Augusts

Lighthouse activities

KP2/AG1LE LH 2477 Apr 4&#65533;11
VP2MFF LH 1475 Apr 8&#65533;16
VP2MLR LH 1475 Apr 8&#65533;16
VP2MQR LH 1475 Apr 8&#65533;16
VP2MTM LH 1475 Apr 8&#65533;16
VP2MUN LH 1475 Apr 8&#65533;16
VP2MVO LH 1475 Apr 8&#65533;16
VP2MYZ LH 1475 Apr 8&#65533;16

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Resident 3B8FA 1765
06Apr-10Apr 3DA0FC 1774 *
Unknown 3W7W 1768
-07May 3Z45HBW 1772
Unknown 4J29RA.. 1758
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772
Unknown 4W0VB 1763
Unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
04Mar-04Apr 5H3MB 1769
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
21Mar- 5T0JL 1772
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674

2012 6D0LM 1774 *
Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
01Mar-05Apr 8N1MOMO 1769
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
05Apr-08Apr 8R1PY 1774 *
10Apr-24Apr 9M0L 1774 *
05Apr/06Apr 9M2/R6AF/p 1774 *
08Apr-11Apr 9M2/R6AF/6 1774 *
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Soon 9Q1EK 1669
14Mar-08Apr 9Q6/ZS4U 1771
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

02Apr-09Apr A35XG 1773
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
03Apr-30Apr CN2RN 1773
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
08Mar-04Apr CT9/DL3KWR.. 1770
Apr -Jun CY0/VE1AWW 1774 *
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr ? D2SG 1748
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-08Apr DJ6OI/p 1774 *
10Apr-12Apr DL7UXG/p 1774 *
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756

-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763

23Mar-26Mar E51EWP 1772
11Apr-14Apr E51EWP 1772
08Apr-27Apr E51BKM.. 1774 *
27Mar-10Apr E51M 1772
-31Dec E720RS 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
31Mar/04Apr F/IZ2RLJ.. 1773 *
30Mar-07Apr F8ATS/6W 1773
21Mar-06Apr FH/DL7BC.. 1772
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
Unknown FK/9A4DU 1763
-Jul FR8NE 1710
24Mar-14Apr FR/F5UOW.. 1772
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771
06Apr-26Apr GB100MGY 1774 *
08Apr-20Apr GB2WG 1774 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
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XV2W via W6NWS (B)
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Z21BB via W3HNK (d)
ZF2UL via K3UL
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C56FR (ON4TA), FO5RH, FO8RZ (F8BPN), J3/PE1GIM (PA3C),
OJ0UR (M0URX), PJ7/DB4BJ, S9DX (DL1RTL), T30AQ (SP5AEQ),
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468. eHam.net News for Tuesday 3 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-03 22:22:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2344ed61b0ae04bccdbe1e@google.com>
Source record: 3335
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Mystic Aquarium Presents Titanic Week:

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28023

MYSTIC, CT - Sea Research Foundation's Mystic Aquarium presents "Titanic Week" Thursday, April 12 through Wednesday, April 18. Opening on April 12, guests will be among the first people to experience "Titanic - 12,450 Feet Below," the Northeast's largest, most captivating, permanent exhibit marking the centenary of Titanic. Located in Mystic Aquarium's Ocean Exploration Center and presented by United Technologies Corp., "Titanic - 12,450 Feet Below" is a long-planned, multimillion-dollar exhibit that takes guests on a journey to new depths of discovery through the eyes of the team that found Titanic. It represents a creative collaboration between famed ocean explorer and Sea Research's Institute for Exploration President Dr. Robert Ballard, who first located the legendary shipwreck in 1985, and Tim Delaney, former 30-year Walt Disney "Imagineer" and current owner of Tim J. Delaney Design.

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Billy Burdette, K4NJS (SK):

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28022

SPARTANBURG, SC-- Billy Heller Burdette, 81, formerly of 764 N. Church Street, passed away Sunday, March 25, 2012. Mr. Burdette was born December 13, 1931, in Seneca, SC to Paul E. and Inez Smith Burdette. He lived most of his life in his home on North Church Street in Spartanburg where he ran a radio and TV repair shop and then later the "Browse Barn." He attended church at the Spartanburg First Wesleyan Church. Mr. Burdette was a past member of the Spartanburg Amateur Radio Club and he was a current member of the Old Friends Amateur Radio Group. He was a dedicated amateur radio operator having the call letters K4NJS. Billy was a colorful figure attending dozens of "Hamfests" over the years. He will be missed by his family and those in the "Ham Radio" community.

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Charles Lee McAtee, KF4YZA (SK):

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28021

BROOKSVILLE -- Charles Lee McAtee, 78, of Brooksville, died Sunday, April 1, 2012, at his residence. He leaves behind his wife, Mrs. Bobbi Jane McAtee. Mr. McAtee was born Nov. 10, 1933, in Bracken County to his parents, the late Raymond and Irene McClanahan McAtee. He was retired from Verizon as a telephone company technician. He was a member of the Greater Mason County Amateur Ham Radio Association. He was a member of the Brooksville Baptist Church, a former member of the Brooksville Jaycees, and a U.S. Army veteran.

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James White, RIC Emeritus Professor, W1PHW (SK):

Posted: 02 Apr 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28020

James E. White, Rhode Island College professor emeritus of English, died on March 26 in Orange City, Fla. He was 86. He taught modern poetry and drama and American literature and Irish studies at RIC for 32 years, beginning in 1956. He served as department chair from 1966-69 and made major contributions to the governance of the college during his three decade of service. He also published numerous articles and reviews and presented papers. In honor of his dedication to the people of Rhode Island and its college, April 27, 1988 was proclaimed Professor James E. White Recognition Day by the Governor of Rhode Island. Upon his retirement in 1988, he was appointed to the rank of professor emeritus. James "Jim" White earned a BA from Wesleyan University in 1951, an MA from the University of Connecticut in 1953 and a PhD from Boston University in 1964, all in English. He also attended and taught at the University of Kansas (1952-54, 55-56) and at the University of Tübingen in Germany (1954-55). A native of Meriden, Conn., he enlisted in the Army Air Force in 1944 and served in Aleutian Islands as a radio operator.

469. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 4 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-04 11:05:19 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb005ead89404bcd86405@google.com>
Source record: 3336
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Project White Star

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OqnitQfln9g/project_white_star.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GI100MGY will be on the air from Titanic's home city of Belfast during the month of April - MGY was the callsign of the ill-fated ship, which had been launched in Belfast in May 1911

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Gi2012MGY from onboard SS Nomadic - Titanic's 'Little Sister'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TV_GurdY7ZM/ss_nomadic_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gi2012MGY, a special event station located in Belfast from onboard the SS Nomadic - Titanic's 'Little Sister'.

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Radio Scouting IRLP Calling Channel

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9jaTV9AXGOE/radio_scouting_irlp_calling_channel.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Scouting and Jamboree on the Air now has a common meeting place for IRLP (Internet Radio Linking Project) contacts

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5,000 grant keeps radio hams on the air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SnMPxuhito8/grant_keeps_radio_hams_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of a radio society are celebrating after winning a grant which will help to secure the group’s future

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Antenna and Tower Video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-f7Gp6M9bFw/antenna_and_tower_video.htm

?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A short time lapse video of Benny, John, and the crane putting up a 6 meter quad and a 20 meter beam. But first, Benny takes down a couple of antennas to make some room!

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3N9xexMkm70/april_04.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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WUST Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/duCN24hHHHQ/wust_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The W.U.S.T. (Worked all U.S. Territories) is a significant and unique award, and it requires submitting only 16 QSL cards with a user-friendly application

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DX University

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6OtlaD82pQg/dx_university.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 'DX University' will take place at Visalia, California, on Friday, 20th April. It has quickly become a sell-out! Over 120 'Students' have already reserved their place so we have increased the room-size

470. EARN FROM WORLD BIGGEST COMPANY "GOOGLE ADSENSE" .....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-04 11:58:19 UTC
From: Shruti Mishra <shruti4578@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <affe320b-f0e3-4bb0-b692-2f5d918fc5d7@to5g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3337

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(2)NO GOING OUT OF HOME.
(3)NO OFFICE, NO BOSS,NOT A 9 TO 5 JOB.
(4)NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

471. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 4 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-04 16:32:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Uss midway museum ni6iw se 4/14/12

Posted: 03 Apr 2012 03:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340843-Uss-midway-museum-ni6iw-se-4-14-12&goto=newpost

Apr 14, 1600-2359, San Diego, CA. USS MIDWAY (CV-41) Museum Radio Operations Room, NI6IW. Commemorating the themes of RMS TITANIC Centennial commemoration, establishment of the grade of Chief Petty Officer in 1893, and decommissioning of USS MIDWAY in 1992. SSB 14.320 7.250, PSK31 14.070, D-STAR 012C and 2m/70cm SOCAL rptrs. QSL SASE to USS MIDWAY Museum Radio Room, 910 N Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101-5811 USA

kk6fz@arrl.net

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Mount Blanc Expedition - HF station at 4.000mt over the Sea

Posted: 03 Apr 2012 02:41 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340836-Mount-Blanc-Expedition-HF-station-at-4-000mt-over-the-Sea&goto=newpost

Hi everybody, here a "trailer" of our high-altitude expedition (31st March) on the Mount Blanc glacier, around 4.000mt over sea. Really a great experience, both for the human aspects and the technical ones, as well.

For any question, waiting for the final video, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards, Elio - IZ2RLJ

http://vimeo.com/39717845

472. MMMonVHF Newsletter No.1 / WEEK 14 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-04 20:51:35 UTC
From: MMMonVHF News Mailer <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201204042015.q34KFYT3001729@server13.web4a.de>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No.1 / WEEK 14 2012
2012-04-04 at 20.00 UTC

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.01 - WEEK 14/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-04-04
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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** Meteors in April **

After the long wintertime minimum, meteor activity starts growing in
April. Most significant shower in this period is medium-rate Lyrids,
peaking April 22nd, 05:30 UT. Sporadic Meteors annual minimum is over,
and SPO rates have started increasing towards their seasonal maximum
in late summer. Moreover, some daytime minor showers are also able to
increase overall meteor activity. Have a look to shower predictions
for April 2012 at our MS-Propagationpage.

SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, for MMMonVHF

** MS sprintcontest 2011 awards **

The E-awards for the participants of the MMMonVHF and DUBUS MS Sprint
Contest have been send to their known E-mail adresses. If any of the
participants did not receive his E-award as PDF please contact the award-
manager Erwin, DK5EW.
For sure two stations (ON6NL and ON5GS) will not receive their award as
they received their award in person from Frank, PA4EME, who attended a clubevening
of the radioclub both are members from. A picture of that can be
found on the website of the UBA, section NOL:
http://nol.uba.be/images/stories/fotos_voorpagina/artikel_6nl_5gs.jpg

Full results can be found here: http://mmmonvhf.de/ctest.php

SOURCE: awardmanager Erwin, DK5EW, for MMMonVHF

** VHF-day in the Netherlands

Call: PA5KM
Email: pa5km@zeelandnet.nl

Info:
Saturday April 14, 2012 VERON " VHF day "

location :
Cafe zaal de Wielerbaan
Maarheerzerweg 9-11
6021 CN Budel
the Netherlands

Latitude: 51.279095 Longitude: 5.581312
Locator: JO21SG96SX

lectures :

70 MHz by Rob, PE1ITR
LFA yagi design by Justin, G0KSC

radiomuseum nearby is open for visit, has special exhibition old VHF-UHF equipment, during lunch break time for : noisefigure measurement, vector-network analysis, frequency calibration, etc.

SOURCE: Coen, PA5KM ; chairman VERON VHF-UHF committee

NOTE MMMonVHF: Frank, PA4EME, and Peter, PA3BIY, from the MMMonVHF team will visit this day.
If you are living near the meeting place, it will be your chance to meet some wellknown Dutch DX-ers on VHF.

** New beacons for TEP in Namibia **

Please spread out this information, thank you !

Thanks to the cooperation from Italian and Hungarian OM and the helpfulness of Pieter V51PJ, we have now 2 new beacons on air from Namibia for TEP observations.
They are 24h a day qrv from JG82IE

Callsign V51VHF

70.005 CW - 35 Watt - 6el DK7ZB beam N
144.430 CW - ? Watt - 10el. DK7ZB beam N

We all hope to receive them soon.

Best 73's Alex IV3KKW

** ARI EME Marathon 2011 **

The results of the ARI EME marathon 2011 are known.

The results are published here:
http://www.ari.it/images/stories/vhf-2011/WWEME2011.pdf

MMMonVHF is congratulating the winners of each section and invites everybody
to join the 2012 Marathon by making as much EME contacts as possible on
several bands.

** XXI Italian EME Meeting Associazione Radioamatori Italiani **

Tuscany Regional Committee

Hotel Joseph Marina di Pietrasanta - Versilia 21th-22th, April 2012

Saturday, April 21th - afternoon
Welcome to participants, afternoon and evening discussions and EME
sector projects, or free evening in Versilia.

Sunday, April 22 th. h. 09.00
Greetings from the Tuscany Regional Committee.
Papers on the space communications
Award to a distinguished amateur for the activity by the EME
Tuscany Regional Committee in memory of I5TDJ Piero Moroni.

ARI Italian EME Contest CW & New Mode 2011 Prizes
ARI - W.W. EME Marathon Award Prizes 2011

Lunch and Greetings

During the conference will be on a market exchange between amateur and
or work experience.

The Hotel Joseph's 100 meters from the sea, swimming above the
restaurant overlooking the Versilia available.
For lunch reservations and / or night, call James I5JUX at the Hotel
Joseph, specify that you book for the EME Meeting.

The Meeting is open to all and free of charge.

73 ' Enrico de I5WBE
EME Coordinator

Hotel Joseph Viale Roma, 323 Marina di Pietrasanta Versilia
Tel. +39 0584 745 862 Fax +39 058 422 265 e-mail info@bracciotti.com

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** Swedish EME-meeting 2012, May 11-13, ï¿½rebro. **

In 5 weeks time the swedish EME-meeting will take place. This meeting is organized by Lars, SM4IVE and it's main purpose is socializing with other 432 MHz and up active EME-ers. But also technical lectures and measurements. Also a lecture from the well known M&M team from Germany bout their EME expedition to LY.

Conferencedetails can be found here:
http://www.sm4ive.com/ememeetingmay.htm

SOURCE: Lars, SM4IVE

** Nordic VUSHF Meeting, Eckerï¿½, ï¿½land. **

Radio Amateur Technology Society in Finland (RATS) is organizing the Nordic VUSHF meeting in 2012. The meeting will take place between Thursday, 24 May 2012 and Sunday, 27 May 2012 at Kï¿½ringsund Resort & Conference in Eckerï¿½, ï¿½land. The meeting opens on Thursday, and the official program (presentations and other activities) will start on Friday.

Our last visit to Kï¿½ringsundsby was a blast,
so weï¿½re looking forward to an excellent meeting!

Reservations to Nordic VUSHF 2012 are now open! All reservations and accommodation bookings for the meeting venue are done through the VUSHF meeting organizer team.

More information: http://vushf.rats.fi/

SOURCE: RATS

** DXCC: ZP; 2M EME **

Greetings from Paraguay! Sadly today's operation trying for VE, VK, ZP, and JA only gave us a few broken sequences that could be decoded.

My next dates both look good for EU and maybe for the U.S.

April 6 2130z (my moonrise) again for a long session.

I would prefer not to take skeds for these two dates. I will try to work whoever has the best decode. The frequency will be 144.141 and I will transmit first.

The weekend of April 7th and 8th is not possible for me. I hope the 3rd and 6th will produce a lot of QSOs and a new country for many of you!

73 and hope to work you, de Steve ZP9EH
SOURCE: MOON-NET

** World's largest EME-antenna destroyed. **

Alexander, RN6BN, has lost his 64 array 144 MHz antenna. High winds from about 110 km/hr damaged the roof of a house that was build nearby.

The used metal plates for the roof were blown into his antenna with
great damage. A fgew pictures can be seen on VHFDX.ru:
http://forum.vhfdx.ru/yagi/eme144-rn6bn-nakrylas/

We hope that Alexander is able to repair his antenna and can be QRV
again soon.

SOURCE: Alexander, RN6BN

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: J5; square IK21DT; start 2012-03-23

Just a few days left to work this DX-pedition. They have started also
on 432 MHz on April 4th, around 18.00 UTC

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=3987

SOURCE: I3DLI to Moon-Net GG

** DXCC: XV; square OK10; start 2012-03-28

Hermann DL2NUD, and Peter DJ4TC will try to be active from Vietnam on EME

LATEST NEWS by Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2012-03-13:

Hermann did send the latest information about RIG QRGs and Activity Times:
144.144 MHz 17el yagi, db6nt preamp, hlv2000 beko
432.090 MHz 38el yagi, db6nt preamp, 50 W
1296.120MHz 62el yagi, db6nt preamp, 400 W
They will try to be qrv: 28.3 - 10.4 in OK10 / 12.4 - 20.4 in OK20

MAIN NEWS:

The Team plan to be qrv from 28.03. until 20.04. as XV4HP (DL2NUD) and as
3W4TC(DJ4TC).
Maybe 2 Squares will be activated: OK10 and OK20 from Island of Phuqouc on
2m 70cm und 23cm
More Infos will follow if closer the dates...

SOURCE: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS; square OK16 ; start 2012-04-01

HS0ZIL qrv from Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

I am happy to announce that there will be a next trip to Thailand around
April.

More informations you will find on the special homepage on
http://www.moonbouncing.net/ and

http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?addcom=1&id=4080

Stay tuned on these sites for further informations!!!

SOURCE: tnx to Karsten, DL2LAH/HS0ZIL direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: FG; square FK96; start 2012-04-12

FG4KH back again QRV 144 MHz EME

LATEST NEWS from Phil, F1DUZ, dated 2012-03-17:

Operation details :
Call sign : FG4KH
Rig: FT897D, LNA, SSPA 500w, 2x10Xpol DK7ZB
QRG: 144,116 MHz , if any changes due to birdies I?ll advise you
FG4KH TX always 1ST Period
If necessary, I repeat sequences 3 times but not more. If I do not
receive confirmation after 3 times, I jump to another station so you
will have to call me again.
Usaually I do not send 73
No restriction, you can call any time
Don?t forget to spread out between ï¿½ 600Hz.
In this second activity I will try to satisfy all but in first those
who are not in the first log.
It is an holiday style activity,you will find infos on MMMonVHF about
schedule, events and quick log. All others infos and complete log
will be in the expedition web site (see the link below).
See you soon from French West Indies
73
Philippe

SOURCE: tnx to Phil, F1DUZ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: HS; square ; start 2012-04-18

E2E EME-DXpedition in Thailand around April 2012
Karsten will try to setup a MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread his latest News.

LATEST NEWS from Swen, HS0ZFZ, dated 2011-12-24:

The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand Under the Patronage of His
Majesty the King - HS1A - The clubstation of RAST ? HS0AC ? was
submerged by 2m of waters during the previous century flood ? which
was in the media worldwide - I believe ? some pictures of the club
station after the water tide was gone ? www.qsl.net/RAST or RAST

forum.com RAST and HS0AC lost equipment worth around 200,000 USD
(150.000 Euro) incl. our mainstation rig FT-1000 MK Mark V ? which
is believed will not be able to be repaired. RAST settle up an
account for donations to help the clubstation getting back on air
soon. Donations could be done directly to the club or via paypal
to donate@rast.or.th (wrong in the Newsletter!).
There is also a EME activation ?E2E? planned
during April to help to raise some funds for HS0AC

** DXCC: EA8; square IL38BQ ; start 2012-04-18

Dave, G4RGK, will be QRV again from EA8 with 400W and 9 el Y.
He doesn't know yet how much time can be spent on radio but
tries to be on the N0UK-chat when he has internet. Skeds possible
via E-mail.

SOURCE: G4RGK, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EY; square MM48; start 2012-04-27

>From April 27 untill April 29, Frank, DL8YHR, and Rene, PE1L, will be
active from Tadzjikistan via EME. The callsign is EY8ZF the locator is
MM48jn near the city of Dushanbe and Dushanbe airport.
Frequencies: 144.134 and 432.090, EY will TX always first.
They will be on N0UK logger. They are only 2.5 moonpasses QRV so do not
miss them. Check the logger for last minute changes in frequency.
More info on:
http://www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme

SOURCE: Frank, DL8YHR and Rene, PE1L, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5X; square: KJ60; start 2012-05-25

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year (C56EME
with
361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz), Bonaire
(PJ4X)
and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's
from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya
(5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is
requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near

Kampala on
the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the
weekend. It's
just the two of us but we know what we are doing.
It's a hard job to get the license there. Callsign is still a bit
insecure but
we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a
update
via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.

If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood. We
have to
come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

73 Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOUrCE: Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

USE or SUBSCRIBE: http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4108

** DXCC IS; squares JN40, JN41, JM48, JM49; start 2012-06-12

Patrick, ON7ARQ will be QRV from Sardinia from June 12th untill June 26th.
During the contest on June 16th/17th he will be signing IM0/ON7ARQ (from
the Island Isola di San Pietro?)

SOURCE: Patrick, ON7ARQ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZK2; square AH51; 2012-07-09

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012

Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could
mark your calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the
end of August As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with
me on 6m EME when I was in E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be
active during our common moon windows - especially during the optimum days of
the month for 6m EME. The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email),
and the QTH has not been finalized, but all the plane tickets have been purchased
(as usual, any contributions are VERY welcome), and the equipment (a KX3 portable
transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works. As soon as the license
is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:

http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm

I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference
for a takeoff shot over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work
NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating), so we will get the ground
gain on YOUR end for that And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset
over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period,
as we did together from E51 and 3D2; Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS.
More details will be posted on the above website as the departure time at the end of August
gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73,
Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA; square KQ50; start 2012-08-11

Only 3 Squares remaining on a visit of the OH8K Team in the northern area -
KQ50 will be one and will be tried to activate in August 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to be qrv from KQ50
during 11-16. August 2012 as LA/OH6ZZ on 2m FSK/EME. QRG and more details
will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: A3, TONGA, OC-049

Haru,JA1XGI, will be on the air as A35XG working mainly in CW and only
some SSB and digital modes on 20m-6m from Apr 2-9. Listen for him on:
SSB: 14175, 18135, 21260, 24940, 28450 kHz
CW: 10115, 14015, 18080, 21015, 24895, 28015 kHz
Data: 10140, 14088, 18102, 21088, 24920, 28088 kHz
His equipment includes an IC 7000, a 2 ele yagi and a fishing rod ant.

QSL via homecall, LoTW. See also: http://www.geocities.jp/a35xgtonga

SOURCE: [DXNL] DXNL 1773 (Mar 28, 2012)

** DXCC: HB0; square JN47; start 2012-04-25

Kasimir, DL2SBY und Georg, DF1SR, qrv from Liechtenstein (HB0)

Kurzwelle (25 April ? 05 Mai 2012)
Rufzeichen *HB0/DL2SBY*
80-10m in SSB/CW/RTTY
Equipment TS2000, Acom1010, Antennen Spiderbeam 20/17/15/12/10 sowie HF9V

*UKW via EME *
Rufzeichen *HB0/DF1SR*
28-29 April Dubus EME Contest auf 13cm
30 April ? 03 Mai Aktivit?t auf 6cm bzw. 9cm
Hier werden wir im HB9Q-Chatroom zu finden sein.
Auf den beiden letzten B?ndern w?re es die ERSTE EME-Aktivit?t aus
Liechtenstein.
Equipment TS2000, FT726R, Spiegel 3,7m

SOURCE: tnx to Kasimir, DL2SBY, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: W; square EN91; start 2012-05-12

N8OFS/p qrv 2012-05-12 2300Z till 2012-05-13 0300Z from EN91or

The Rules for the 2012 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints are online...

http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules

I will once again be Broadcasting Live and Direct from the Big Caboose at
the beloved AC&J Railroad for the 6M Sprint... This will be my First of
Six trips to the Caboose for 2012... 50W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the
"DOMINATOR"(tm) at 28.5ft, parked and locked on 52.525FM from EN91or...

PeAcE...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9CDaJ3qR4Q
Andy N8OFS GOT6??? GOT RAVE??? GOT FOOTY??? SMIRK#6737
The CrAzY 6 Meters FM only, sometimes found in a Caboose guy...

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VP2V; square FK78; start 2012-06-21

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS DXPEDITION: VP2V on 6 METERS Only (50.115.6 Mhz.
CW & 50.115 Mhz. SSB)

W9DR, Dave, will be operating from the British Virgin Islands on 6
meters from June 21, 2012 to July 2, 2012.

The call will be VP2V/W9DR and he will be on 50.115.6 Mhz.CW and 50.115
Mhz.
SSB.

Please submit conformation request (QSL) to W9DR's home address.

SOURCE: tnx to W9DR direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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473. eHam.net News for Wednesday 4 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-04 22:34:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614faad87e0b04bce205b5@google.com>
Source record: 3340
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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World Amateur Radio Day -- April 18:

Posted: 03 Apr 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28029

Once again on 18th April our community will mark the World Amateur Radio Day, honouring the anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union on that date in 1925. This year´s theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is: "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launching of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

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Dahl Gene Kitchen, K8WLJ (SK):

Posted: 03 Apr 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28028

Dahl Gene Kitchen, 76, of Scott Depot, passed away Monday evening March 26, 2012, at Arbors Nursing Home in Gallipolis, Ohio. He was born and raised in Londale, in Putnam County, a son to the late Edward Kitchen and Orbra Hill Kitchen. He graduated from Man High School and worked in the coal mining industry throughout his career in southern West Virginia. He became a mining electrician and equipment maintenance superintendent, earning multiple industry certifications and recognitions for outstanding achievement and safety. He later retired from Addington Coal Company of Kentucky. He was active in his communities where he raised his family, donating countless hours of expertise from his passion as an Amateur Ham Radio operator within his radio clubs, to labor and professional services for his churches, and his immense commitment for years as a leader in teaching his three sons and other boys as a Scout Master in the Boy Scouts of America, where he was recognized with several leadership awards.

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Ham Radio Today:

Posted: 03 Apr 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28027

I'm just back from ESC/DESIGN West, which was last week in San Jose. The conference held a very low-key meet-and-greet with students in engineering programs. I had the chance to talk to a couple of Juniors from San Jose State. The meeting was too loosely organized, but I'm told they will tune

the format for the next show in Boston in September. One of the gateway drugs into electronics has traditionally been ham radio. In the past I've commented on its decline. But things have changed. The ARRL (www.arrl.org) reports that as of late last year there are now 700,000 licensed hams in the United States, an all-time high. That's up from 285,000 in 1971. How much of the increase can be attributed to the relaxed licensing requirements? Morse code is no longer needed. The test questions come from pools that are on-line, making it easier to master the material than of yore.

474. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 5 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 06:16:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d7fbb190304bce87a6c@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Pasco Co HamFest

Posted: 04 Apr 2012 05:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340899-Pasco-Co-HamFest&goto=newpost

The Pasco Co Hamfest hosted by the Suncoast ARC of New Port Richey, FL, is Saturday, Sept 22, 2012 at the Gunn Hwy Flea Market at SR54 & Gunn Hwy, 3 miles west of Veterans Park Way and 3 miles east of Little Rd, 7 miles east of US 19. Doors open at 8AM.

Admission is $5, XYLs and under 12 FREE.

Tailgatoring space $1, but all entering must have admission.

For info contact Ron, N9EE at 352-683-4476 or wa4t@arrl.net.

We always have a good time.

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April Fools Fest 2012

Posted: 03 Apr 2012 09:06 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?340876-April-Fools-Fest-2012&goto=newpost

This Saturday is the 2nd Annual April Fools Fest, in Geff, IL. The hamfest is being put on by the WHERE Amateur Radio Club. Geff is shown on some maps as "Jeffersonville, IL" in case you look and don't find Geff, it is 6 miles north of Fairifled, IL on US Route 45. The hamfest is on the highway in downtown, so you can't miss it! Opens at 8am, food, tailgating, swap, vendors, and we are giving away 2 - dual band HTs!

www.whereradio.com

475. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 8 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 09:27:24 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-04-08.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - April 8 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

THE FOLLOWING STORIES IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR
WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 8 2012.

Now we seldom report on virus's or Trojans, believing that the emails about
such things can be almost more intrusive than the 'bug themselves' and let's
face it if you are not running an auto updating virus scanning program you
deserve what may happen! Hihi.

BUT

Is your computer infected with DNSChanger?

ACMA put out a note about DNSChanger which is malicious software (malware)
that may have been installed on your computer without your knowledge.

Approximately 10,000 Australian internet users are currently infected with
this malware.

If your computer is infected you need to remove it.

If you don't remove it by 9 July 2012, you won't be able to connect to the
internet.

The Australian Communications and Media Authority, CERTAustralia (the
federal government's computer emergency response team) and the Department of

Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy have collaborated to develop a diagnostic website that, in most cases, shows you whether or not you are infected with DNSChanger.

This website is dns-ok.gov.au

If you are infected, dns-ok.gov.au provides links to tools and detailed documentation that may help you remove the infection.

(ACMA)

MyMP

Improved reception of the commercial radio service 3MP in northern and western Melbourne as the Australian Communications and Media Authority allows an increase to the maximum transmitting power of Melbourne commercial radio broadcasting service 3MP-from 1225 volts to 2140 volts (equivalent to 5 kilowatts to 8.2 kilowatts) and change the direction of its radiation pattern.

This will allow expanded coverage of northern and western Melbourne.

3MP has been previously known by the on-air identities, 3MTR and MTR1377.

This follows public consultation on the proposal, released in November 2011, to vary the Licence Area Plan - Melbourne Radio - June 2000 (the Melbourne LAP).

WIA
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TARC AND TASSIE do WIA National Field Day

The WIA National Field Day will be happening next Saturday and Sunday April 14th and 15th theTARCinc will be running displays about the different aspects of Amateur Radio at the front door of Jaycar Electronics Townsville store in Ingham Road West End Saturday April 14th from 7-30am.

Hams need to help with this activity to publicise the worthwhile hobby of Amateur Radio to the wider community.

Get along to wave the flag and have some fun as well !

Those listening in VK7 REAST will hold a display again this year as part of the WIA National Field Day. It's on NEXT weekend April 14th and 15th.

Have you got some equipment such as an outdoor marquee or gazebo to help set up a display?

It's a few DAYS away but please give it some thought as to how you can help make this event a success for the club and the hobby in general.

WIA CONFERENCE

I'm Bob, VK6POP, reminding you that the Wireless Institute's Annual Conference is coming up fast. It's now next month instead of sometime in the future.

The Conference dates are Friday 25th to Sunday 27th May.

The weekend program is centred around the Mildura Grand Hotel. The weekend will commence on Friday evening at the historic Settlers Club with a buffet dinner.

On Saturday morning the WIA Annual General Meeting will be followed by the Open Forum. I can assure you that the AGM will be brief and to the point, and should serve as a model for club agms.

The open forum gives Amateur an opportunity to ask Questions of the Board, or to raise issues of interest and concern. Lunch is provided for all registered attendees.

On Saturday afternoon there is a technical symposium at which several items of interest will be presented.

On Saturday evening the Annual Dinner will be held in the Grand Ballroom at the Mildura Grand Hotel.

Sunday will feature a cruise and lunch on the famous Paddleboat Mundoo. For those remaining in Mildura on Sunday night, a casual BBQ has been arranged at the home of Noel Ferguson VK3FI, Fergus Park, Nichols Point.

Accommodation is available at the Mildura Grand Hotel, as well as in several other hotels and caravan parks.

So how about it? Still thinking about going? Or maybe you never gave it any thought until now? Well give it a go. These annual conferences are great weekends, where you get to catch up with old friends and make new ones.

Information about the weekend and an online booking form are on the WIA website, www.wia.org.au

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VK4 - QNEWS
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send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
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VK4 SILENT KEYS @ 2011 - 2012 QAC YEAR

VK4MUJ Jean Bowden passed away 2nd January 2012 advised by VK4ZZ
VK4BAY Roy Mahoney January 2012 advised by VK4BSH
VK4AFW Frank Alloway 15th January 2012 advised by VK4FABR
VK4KEL Geoff Sanders 4th April 2012 advised by VK4OD

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP and I've been thinking.

When computers first entered the consumer electronics market, software soon became available for the original "digital" mode, Morse Code. Soon followed RTTY, Slow Scan TV and Fax. Derivatives of other modes such as TOR, Teletype over Radio and Packet came along.

Today there is a plethora of software especially written for the amateur operator. Nobel prize winner, Joe Taylor, has put his skills to work in developing programs optimised for the weak signal operator. There is so much more work being done in this part of the hobby.

In an attempt to utilise the features of the internet to provide greater diversity of contact types, our sister society, the JARL, sponsored the development of the D-Star modes. For the translation between digital and analogue voice, a firmware codec was chosen. The catch is that the codec is a commercial product which attracts a licence fee for each device in which it is used.

The challenge for the amateur programmers is to successfully develop a freeware alternative. This would allow many of the digital commercial radios coming out service to join the amateur ranks as their analogue antecedents have done.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

CLUBBING

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
QNEWS broadcasts, please email your item in text to qnews@wia.org.au

Submit audio, read "how to submit items" on the weekly WIA news page.
http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of QNEWS.

BARC
http://www.qsl.net/vk4ba
or, by E-mail to vk4ba@qsl.net

This is Stuart, VK4MSL with news from the Brisbane Amateur Radio Club.

BARCfest will take place *two weeks later* than usual, at 9:30AMSaturday, 26th May 2012, at the usual venue, 1600 Logan Road, Upper Mt.Gravatt.

There will be the usual displays of equipment and parts for sale, techtalks, and of course, an opportunity to catch up with old friends at Cafe-de-BARC. Admission is $7.00.

For further information, see the BARC website:

http://www.qsl.net/vk4ba/

Redcliffe and District Radio Club
www.redclifferadioclub.org.au/

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

The year just seems to be getting busier and busier. After a successful Moyle, and more about that later, the activities for the club this month are:-

9th April General Business Meeting. Please note Roger, VK4ZLQ will not be present for the meeting and has requested you bring your copy of the minutes to ensure that the they are correct.

>From the 11th till the 16th April, the Wednesday group will be involved in assembling the portable station and equipment for the Titanic anniversary, setting up the station at Maritime Museum, Stanley Street, South Bank, Brisbane, participating in the activity and finally packing up and returning all equipment to the club.

16th April Technical Talk with evening Kevin VK4UG - Meteor Scatter Propagation, and to end the month:-

23rd April Fox Hunt

Well the Moyle has come and gone for another year. This year we had the rain. It was the first time in some 5 years that the club had to stop transmitting for a period of about of 6 hours as it was just too dangerous to the equipment to continue. 2 stalwarts of the club and of the Moyle were Andy, VK4KY and Glenn, Vk4FZ who were back again this year. Antennas were set up on the afternoon of Friday in fine conditions and by 3.30 pm on the Saturday, RAIN. Heavy "Brisbane type" rain for the next 6 hours. Too dangerous to operate in and with the possible damage to the equipment and nothing else to do but to enjoy a few cordials and resume when conditions improve.

Despite all this the field day was a success, many contacts made. Many thanks to the stream of helpers who were there to set up, bringing food and other supplies and for the clean-up who had the site totally cleared by 2 pm on Sunday afternoon.

WIA Queensland Centenary. Kevin VK4UH advised that this year is the centenary celebration of the WIA in Queensland. The club has decided to participate and will apply for the use of the special call sign.

Grace Lutheran College. Kevin VK4UH advised the club that he had approached Grace Lutheran College enquiring about access to the large steerable dish that they have on their grounds. The dish is currently used by senior physics classes and is operational. The College was most receptive to interacting with the club and Kevin believes that the dish could be used for EME activities on 2 metres and higher frequencies.

Just a reminder that James, VK4TJF, conducts CW courses at the club on Thursday evenings from 7.00pm until 9.00pm and about the regular trivia contest conducted on the 70 cm repeater each Wednesday night starting about 7.30 pm. If we don't use the frequency allocation we will lose it!

Well this is about all at the moment and so it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

News from Townsville

As local VK listeners heard in QNEWS last weekend there is to be a 2012 WIA-QAC Presidents Lunch and 100th Anniversary of organized Amateur Radio in Queensland. We now have the venue, Presidents Lunch, hosted by Hervey Bay Amateur Radio Club will be at the Hervey Bay RSL Club starting at 10am on Saturday 21st July. That's at the lower, or Eastern end of the Bay.

WIA President Michael VK3KI will be special guest speaker and attendees will include WIA Directors and members of the WIA-QAC along with committee and members of various QLD Amateur Radio Clubs.

The Centenary Celebration BBQ will also be hosted by the Hervey Bay Amateur Radio Club on Sunday 22nd July.

What use is an f-call?
(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Recently I was sitting on a plane talking to a person whom I had just met. We were discussing our interests and experience and the subject of Amateur Radio came up.

There was the obligatory CB radio comment and some discussion about marine radio, but the discussion boiled down to this:
"What's the point?"
I eased into
the subject by observing that as a hobby I found it to be technically challenging without it having a direct relationship to my day-job in IT. We discussed the ideas that embody the hobby, non-commercial use, experimentation, discovery, camaraderie. We talked about the natural disasters like Hurricane Katrina, the Boxing Day Tsunami, the Earthquake and Tsunami in Japan and the subsequent issues with their nuclear power plant. I explained about making contacts and exchanging information, call-signs, signal reports, dealing with electricity and backup batteries and the like.

The conversation went for about an hour, we talked about the SES, about HF long distance contacts, the solar cycle, the ionosphere, experiments and the development of technologies like the mobile phone.

The thing that struck me during this conversation, looking at the topics we discussed, some in passing, some in-depth (well, to the depth of my eclectic knowledge at least), that Amateur Radio touches a lot of aspects of society.

I used to think that IT was the only field that impacted the world every where in every which way. Now I'm not so sure. Amateur Radio to me appears to have dibs on a large chunk. I supposes I'm saying that Amateur Radio has a public relations issue, people don't know it exists, yet it affects their lives in ways that most never even notice.

Perhaps all this just relates to
my better understanding of the Radio Frequency spectrum and my personal part in the puzzle, but I think society would benefit from at least a smidgen of the understanding that comes with having an Amateur License.

If you have thoughts on the matter, I'd love to hear from you.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

SILENT KEY

Geoffrey Allan Sanders VK4KEL has gone silent key following a VERY long battle with various forms of cancer. He was but 62 , born in September of 49 in Horsham VK3.

Geoff was a past President of the Sunshine Coast Amateur Radio Club, Past President of the Wireless Institute of Australia Queensland Division, a former VK4 Federal Councillor and Alternate Federal Councillor of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

MORE IMPORTANTLY - Geoff VK4KEL will be remembered for his support for we VietNam Vets. Geoff, 217459 served with 104 Signal Sqn Vietnam IN 1969.

Geoff was given just 2 hours as he lay in the Prince Charles Hospital Sunday yet fought on until he passed 4th April being kept comfortable during his last days with Jen and his children by his side.

His loss will leave a huge hole in our lives as he has been a friend of ours since commencing QNEWS back i 94-5.

Geoff was President and Secretary of the old WIAQ and when we first started QNEWS on packet radio was the first WIA Official who started to tell it's members "what was what".. thanks to Geoff the walls of WIA secrecy started to be broken...

It wasn't again and not since the late Chris Jones that we knew week to week what our society was doing for us.

I know Geoff will be sadly missed by many others who knew by QSO, WIA work, and his work with the Vet community, knew him well.

More in local QNEWS bulletins as it comes to hand.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

JOE WALSH, WB6ACU, IS AN ANALOG MAN

Grammy Award-winning rock-and-roll legend Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, returns with Analogue Man, set to be released June 5.

This is Walsh's first solo album since 1992's Songs for a Dying Planet.

Walsh -- best known for his powerful guitar licks -- joined the Eagles in 1976 and is credited for bringing a harder rock sound to the band with the acclaimed Hotel California, The Long Run and Eagles Live.

No stranger to the analogue way of life, Walsh -- an ARRL Life Member -- enjoys operating on 80 metres AM.

Check out Analogue Man -- the title track of Walsh's new album and details of his South African tour starting on 4 April in Cape Town

http://www.joewalsh.com/

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World Amateur Radio Day

On April 18, 2012 we will celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day on the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union.

This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" and we will have much more on this world event shortly in our special interest group segment.

50 watts for Foundation holders in Belgium

The UBA reports on plans to allow Belgian Foundation licence holders to run 50 watts on HF instead of the previous 10 watts.

Belgian Foundation holders are currently permitted 50 watts on 144 and 430MHz and 10 watts in the bands from 3.5 to 52 MHz The new proposal means they would be able to run 50 watts on the HF and 6m bands.

The website of the national radio society the UBA says that taking into account the 3dB rule this would permit the use of a standard 100W transceiver.

See the proposals in Google English at
http://tinyurl.com/Belgium50wFoundation

Lightning strike survivor feels lucky to be alive

K.A.K.E. News reports that radio amateur Bill Isles KD 0 IIF is recovering after he survived a lightning strike and used his ham radio to call for help.

Seems the volunteer storm spotter was standing in his backyard and thought the lightning was far away!

"In the distance, I would hear thunder and see lightning. I didn't think anything was quite that close," said Bill. "And it came as quite a shock."

That shock knocked Bill to the ground. The only thing nearby was his amateur radio. When Bill called for help through the ham radio, Mike KD 0 IJO, heard his call and phoned 911.

Read the full KAKE News story at
http://www.kake.com/news/headlines/Wichita_Man_Struck_By_Lightning_During_Thursday_Storms_145019845.html

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JAPAN TO LAUNCH AMATEUR RADIO SATELLITES

Big news on the ham radio space scene. This with word that the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency has announced the upcoming launch of five amateur radio satellites. This, on two launches taking

place this spring and summer. Amateur Radio Newsline's Stephen Kinford, N8WB, is here with more:

The first launch is the H2A that takes place on May 17th. It will carry the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2.

This will be followed on July 21st when the HTV3 mission. It will deliver the JEM-Small Satellite Orbital Deployer or J-SSOD to the International Space Station. That unit will enable small satellites to be deployed from the ISS using the Japanese Experiment Module robot arm.

The Japanese amateur radio satellites WE-WISH and FITSAT-1, along with San Jose State University's TechEdSat and Vietnam's F-1 will also be delivered to the I-S-S on this mission. Plans are for them to be deployed to orbit on September 20th.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Stephen Kinford, N8WB, in Wadsworth, Ohio.

ARRL SPONSORING WEBINAR TO HELP YOU PUBLICIZE FIELD DAY

The ARRL Public Relations Committee will be holding a free Webinar on Thursday evening April 12 for Public Information Officers, radio club officers and anyone else wanting to join in. This, to teach the easiest and most effective way to write a press release for Field Day and actually get it noticed by the mass media in your home region.

The webinar will begin at 9 pm Eastern Daylight Time and will run for about 90 minutes. Several experts in mass media communications will be on hand to teach the tricks of the trade in dealing with radio, television and print publications.

Pre-registration is required. To reserve a spot simply take your web browser to tinyurl.com/arrl-field-day-webinar or directly at https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/278619454.

Space is limited so if you want to take part you need to sign up today.

ESPN EMPLOYEES CREATE THE WORLDWIDE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Current and former employees of the Entertainment and Sports Network, better known to the public as ESPN, have formed the Worldwide Amateur Radio Club. Located on the grounds of the ESPN facility in Bristol, Connecticut, the group has now been granted the club call WE1SPN .

At present the club has about 40 members. Inaugural operations were to take place on 7.177 MHz at 21:00 UTC on March 29th.

This opening gala was to include trying to contact as may radio clubs at Disney theme parks as possible.

The Worldwide Amateur Radio Club is the latest bin a long series of broadcast industry based employee recreation entities. It joins similar employee groups at the CBS, NBC, ABC and Fox networks as well as at a number of broadcast stations nationwide and world-wide.

More about WE1SPN can be found by checking the listing page for their callsign on QRZ.com

ANDY SENNITT TO RETIRE FROM RNW END OF APRIL

Andy Sennitt who edited the now closed Radio Netherlands Media Network weblog says that he will be retiring from that international broadcaster at the end of April. Sennitt says that during his last weeks at Radio Netherlands that he will be writing a series of articles reflecting on the changes in international broadcasting since he started appearing on the Media Network radio show in 1981 as well as looking ahead to the coming decade.

This perspective will be published on the Radio Netherlands English language website. Sennitt asks that if you have any memories of Radio Netherlands or any other international broadcasters that you would like to share, please e-mail them to him. He can be reached at MediaNetwork (at) rnw (dot) nl. Sennitt adds that he will try to include them in the articles as is possible.

NASA ANNOUNCES ISSLIVE! APP

NASA has announced the release of the ISSLive! app for iPhone, iPad and Android devices. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, has the details:

The ISS Live! app delivers live streaming data from the International Space Station. Users can take a virtual 3-D tour of the Mission Control Centre and the space station, and view mission control console displays with real-time data. Interactive educational lessons using the data, as well as crew and science timelines with individual crew member, social media and

international science experiment details are also available via the app.

The space agency calls ISSLive! an innovative, interactive application that provides a novel way to learn about the International Space Station while on the go. To learn more and find links to download the ISSLive! app, visit spacestationlive.jsc.nasa.gov. That's where you will find the icons for the iPhone App Store and the Android Market.

I'm David Black, KB4KCH, from the South-East bureau in Birmingham, Alabama.

NASA CONSIDERING LAGRANGE POINT OUTPOST

NASA is pressing forward on assessing the value of a human-tended outpost near the far side of the moon. One that would embrace international partnerships as well as commercial and academic participation,

According to SPACE.com, William Gerstenmaier is NASA's Associate Administrator for Human Exploration and operations. And in a February 3rd memo Gerstenmaier says that a team is being formed to develop a cohesive plan for exploring a spot in space known as the Earth-moon Lagrange point.

Lagrange points sometimes called liberation points, are places in space where the combined gravitational pull of two large masses roughly balance each other out. This would allow a spacecraft or other object to essentially park in that spot without being pulled toward either one of the masses.

A pre-memo NASA appraisal of Lagrange Point EML-2, which is near the lunar far side, has spotlighted this destination as the leading option for a near-term space study. EML-2 could serve as a gateway for exploration of multiple destinations including near-lunar space, our own moon, asteroids, the moons of Mars and ultimately, the red planet itself.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Around the World 28 MHz Balloon

A long duration balloon mission that is using 6 Party Balloons to carry a 50 gram amateur radio 28.223 MHz CW beacon, is hoping to go around the world.

The balloon was released from Annapolis in Maryland and started its journey heading SE at 6 knots finally reaching 96 km/h.

It has no APRS, just the 28.223 MHz CW telemetry system and it is hoped to locate it by signal strength and beam headings only.

The mission is to give an insight into constant-pressure balloons and especially the use of common mylar party balloons as a fixed volume envelope. Unfortunately, these balloons have a high mass and so the theoretical maximum altitude no matter how many balloons are used is only about 26,000 feet and that is with no payload other than the fixed balloon mass.

The payload weighs about 50 grams. The team are targeting 6 party balloons 3' in diameter which should give a float altitude around 16,000 feet. The Telemetry will be in CW on 28.223 MHz (USB DIAL) and will contain Battery voltage, inside and outside temperatures, and surface luminosity of the ocean/clouds. It has no GPS. The team will rely entirely on DF bearings and signal reports.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

T.C.S.W.A.T. active again at Gallipoli for AM and CW on ANZAC Day

Tevfik TA1HZ has confirmed with Mike VK4MIK that the Turkish Portable Operations team TCSWAT will be active again as TC57A from Gallipoli for AM and CW on ANZAC Day.

They will arrive at the site of operations on Saturday 21st April and finish operations there on Thursday 26th April.

TCSWAT hope to operate SSB, CW, PSK31 and maybe even SSTV from the Gallipoli.

Is your station going to be involved with AM and CW on ANZAC Day ?

Contact Mike VK4MIK now on email vk4mike@yahoo.com.au

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

DXCC Country/Entity Report

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-March, through Sunday, 1st-April there were 235 countries active.

ZD8, Ascension Island

The ZD8, Ascension Island bureau has closed. A full list of countries that do not have a bureau is available on the http://www.irts.ie/cgi/qsl.cgi

"DX Code of Conduct"
Audio by John VK2JJW

I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.

I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.

I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign before calling.

I will not interfere with the DX station nor anyone calling and will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.

I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.

I will always send my full call sign.

I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.

I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.

I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.

I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.

When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.

I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.

I will respect my fellow radio amateurs and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

AWARDS

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

Of course this year is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and mindful that the Queen is the head of the Commonwealth of Nations we remind you of that new operating award

To qualify for this attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas.

Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required.

Score sheets and full details can be downloaded from www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

G3PJT@btinternet.com

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

AMSAT-VK UNOFFICIAL HF Net.
2nd Sunday each month.
April through October 1000 UTC 3.685 MHz
November through March 0900 UTC 7.068 MHz

MicroThrust Motor for Nanosats

Imagine reaching the Moon using just a tenth of a litre of fuel.

With their ionic motor, MicroThrust, EPFL scientists and their European partners are making this a reality, ushering in a new era of low-cost space exploration.

The goal is to provide efficient propulsion systems for nanosatellites (1-100 kg), which are currently stuck in whatever orbit they were initially placed: the plan is to free them to allow nanosatellites to perform orbital manoeuvring, and missions to the Moon, to Near Earth Objects, or even to Mars.

World Amateur Radio Day - April 18

On April 18, 2012, radio amateurs will be celebrating World Amateur Radio Day on the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU.

This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance the launching of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

For this reason there will be several special event stations from IARU's Member Societies active on different dates during April:

6H6IARU by the Federaci�n Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores who has commissioned this operation to Grupo DXXE. This station will be active from 13 to 18 April in all modes and bands. QSL via LoTW and N7RO, direct or bureau. Daily logs uploads will be available in ClubLog.

3G87IARU by the Radio Club de Chile. This station will be active throughout the month of April. QSL via CE3AA.

LZ1WARD by the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs also will be active throughout the month of April. QSL via bureau.

EL2RL by the Liberia Radio Amateur Association will be active on April 18 on 10, 15, 17 and 20 meters. Direct QSL to EL2BA.

HB9WARD by Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen-Amateure to be active also on April 18. This first time callsign will be on the air by HB9JOE and a group of radio amateurs from Bern. QSL via HB9JOE.

HF87WARD by members of the SP-CFF (SP0CFF). This station will be active from April, 17 to 30. QSL via eQSL.cc and WFF LogSerach.

For those who want to send card direct, please send SASE to:
Polish Club Flora & Fauna, Suchacz, Wielmozy 5b, 82-340 Tolkmicko, Poland.
They will even have an award for this operation.

IARU Region 2
http://www.iaru-r2.org/

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- STAMP COLLECTING AMATEURS
radiostamps@yahoogroups.com

LUXEMBOURG ISSUES STAMP TO CELEBRATE 75 YEARS OF AMATEUR RADIO

Founded in 1937, the R&#65533;seau Luxembourgeois des Amateurs d'Ondes Courtes (RL <http://www.rlx.lu/index.html>) -- that country's IARU Member-Society -- is celebrating its 75th anniversary. In honour of this milestone, Luxembourg's Entreprise des Postes et T&#65533;l&#65533;communications (P&TLuxembourg) has issued a .60 &#65533; postage stamp <http://www.pt.lu/portal/lang/en/Philatelie/stamps/pid/4292> (about 80 cents in US currency); P&TLuxembourg is that country's government owned corporation for mail and telecommunications. This is one of three commemorative stamps issued by Luxembourg in 2012 .

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LOW DOWN IN THE NEWS

NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast

The NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-14 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday March 30, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday March 31, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 06, 2012.

http://www.mwfrequencypropagation.org .

73 & GUD DX,

Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O Lakeland, FL, USA

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day.

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

November 15TH IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE hosted by V.A.R.C. in Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam.

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

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476. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 5 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 11:07:42 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <0050450176c57eb92f04bcec8b03@google.com>
Source record: 3343
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OgqcwBNqWIc/april_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A colossal weekend especially Sunday. Wednesday through Saturday E51M
(North Cook Is) fairly motored along, but got pipped by XW3DT (Laos) on
Sunday

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Isle of Man Radio Ham on German TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lia6AXbfS44/isle_of_man_radio_ham_on_german_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC report that a TV show featuring radio amateur Ronnie Allcote 2D0RLA
will reach about 500,000 German viewers

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Lough Erne Rally Thanks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EX3UCE0vbYQ/lough_erne_thanks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Many thanks from Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club to the 300 involved in last
Sunday’s Rally at SHARE - visitors, club members helping, folk there to
trade or display, and friends

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Tuscaloosa Special Event Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QtIHOT7-o1g/tuscaloosa_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Tuscaloosa Amateur Radio Club (TARC) in Alabama will be operating a
Special Event Station in remembrance of the 44 people that died when an
EF-4 tornado struck Tuscaloosa, AL on April 27, 2011

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FCC seeks comment on Amateur Emergency Communications

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The Federal Communications Commission is seeking comment on the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief

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RSGB Board Proceedings for February

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The RSGB Board Proceedings for February 2012 are now available. Among topics discussed are the Examination Software and interviews for the General Manager vacancy that has existed for the past 14 months

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GB100WSL from Southampton Docks

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Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB100WSL - White Star Line - from 10th to 15th April

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ISS radio shack in ATV video tour

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ESA has published a new video on its youtube channel. At the beginning, at around 00:45 seconds, you can easily spot the Kenwood D700

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2012 Holyland Contest

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The '2012 Holyland Contest', organized by the Israel Amateur Radio Club, will be held on 2100z, April 20th, to 2100z, April 21st

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Comoros DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ifBU2i1Qdk8/comoros_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team of Europeon operators will be active as D64K from Comoros Islands
(IOTA AF-007) in August 2012

477. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-021E - Update on 60 Metres

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F7DB7ED.2010605@rac.ca>
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RAC Bulletin 2012-021E - Update on 60 Metres
2012-04-04

RAC has been pursuing channelized access to 60M since early 2010. Our request was for an allocation identical to the US allocation, with one additional unique Canadian channel, and with fewer restrictions (the US allocations were restricted to USB voice only, with power and antenna restrictions). Amateurs will recall that one of the rationales for RAC requesting a 60M allocation was to enhance emergency communications including cross-border interoperability. IC responded by indicating that they were prepared to support access in synch with US amateur allocation and regulations. In late 2011, in response to an ARRL petition for change, the FCC issued a final Report and Order that, once it has been published in the Federal Register, will result in a change to the frequency of one of the channels and will enable the use of CW and data modes in addition to USB voice. These features had already been in the original RAC request. The FCC Report and Order has cleared the way for Canada to move ahead with finalizing its allocation to match the new US allocations, including the ability to use CW and data modes. This allocation, which will be on a secondary basis, requires a public consultation through the Canada Gazette, which RAC anticipates will occur in the second quarter of 2012.

It is important that Canadian Amateurs comment on the draft once released. RAC will continue to keep our members aware of the status of this important initiative.

An important offer has been made by IC with regards to 60M. Industry Canada is prepared to licence operators in channelized 60M operation pending the results of the consultation process. The licencing process will be managed out of ICs regional offices and is open to any Canadian amateur. The process requires a formal licence application, payment of a licence fee, and the use of a special call sign instead of the licensee's amateur call sign. RAC regards this as an important interim step allowing amateurs to get on the air in the 60M band as soon as possible and thanks IC for this initiative. RAC`s objective, however, is to ensure that Canadian amateurs have the 60M allocation available to all amateurs as part of their amateur radio certification, i.e. without licence applications, licence fees or special call signs. RAC is cautiously optimistic that this will come about in the summer of 2012.

If you wish to obtain a temporary, paid license to operate on 60M,
please contact your local Industry Canada Regional Office to complete
the application form.The total fee depends upon the date of your
application but in any case is less than $100.

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478. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 5 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 15:25:32 UTC
From: old timer <me@invalid.net>
Message-ID: <op.wcas4up3kkh61i@mac.local>
Source record: 3345
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Thu, 05 Apr 2012 16:01:40 +0100, wrote:

>> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Nm2Qptf-1PI/rsgb_board_proceedings_for_february.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
>>
>> The RSGB Board Proceedings for February 2012 are now available. Among
>> topics discussed are the Examination Software and interviews for the
>> General Manager vacancy that has existed for the past 14 months

> Members only...keep up the good work.
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Surely you don't expect non RSGB members to have access to Board minutes?
M own club does not share its minutes with the wider public (ie non
members) so why should RSGB?

479. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 5 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 15:47:26 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <gooWBO6bfPFwI0@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 3346
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In message <3scrn7lg577r35n13plpfmrjdk3d5vjv0e@4ax.com>, Spike
<Aero.Spike@S&T.invalid> writes
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>Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed wrote:
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>>RSGB Board Proceedings for February
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>>Posted:
>>http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Nm2Qptf-1PI/rsgb_boa
>>rd_proceedings_for_february.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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<http://www.rsgbshop.org/acatalog/Online_Catalogue_Join_the_RSGB_22.html>

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480. Re: SO...what's happened to ham radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 19:35:57 UTC
From: Bob Myers <bobmyersco@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <25333701.2088.1333654557077.JavaMail.geo-discussion-forums@yncc41>
Source record: 3347

On Saturday, March 31, 2012 12:12:42 PM UTC-6, Bob Myers wrote:
> Friends, consider me as someone who's been in a coma for the past 20 years, at least as far as ham radio is concerned. I've been licensed for nearly 40 years (started out with my Novice ticket - WN9MXR - and an HW-16 with a handful of 40m crystals, back in Indiana in the early 70s), but have been almost completely out of touch with the hobby for about half that time. I still have a valid license (an honest-to-Gawd Advanced, which I'm led to believe is somewhat rare these days, and I've been told that I could easily get an Extra now), but outside of occasionally checking in on one of the local repeaters via a 2m HT, I have, for one reason or another, just be unable to be active for a long, long time.
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>
> Bob M. (KC0EW)

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481. Re: SO...what's happened to ham radio?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 20:17:16 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <31089071-b3bd-47e1-9beb-f04802b8498c@er9g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3348

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482. The ARRL Letter for April 5, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 20:36:57 UTC
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Message-ID: <20120405200215.AF01A252D4@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + ON THE AIR: FCC SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENTS ON EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
BY AMATEUR RADIO AND IMPEDIMENTS TO AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

In response to the Congressional directive to prepare a study to
assess Amateur Radio's role in emergency and disaster communications
and the impact of private land use regulations on the Amateur
community's ability to provide such communications, the FCC issued DA
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12-523 soliciting comments from the public. The period for public comment runs until May 17, 2012.

"As part of the study contained in Public Law No. 112-96, the Commission has opened a 45 day period for comments to be filed on the issue," said ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. "Because of the short deadline for the study to be completed and presented to Congress -- before the end of August -- the ARRL and the amateur community must quickly mobilize their response." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-public-comments-on-emergency-communications-by-amateur-radio-and-impediments-to-amateur-ra>.

==> ON THE AIR: ARRL SEEKS COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 33 CM BAND PLAN

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz-3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received. After reading the feedback, the Committee began working on the band plans, and the draft plan for 33 cm (902-928 MHz) is now ready for review. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-comments-on-proposed-33-cm-band-plan>.

==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: BE READY FOR FIELD DAY IN OFFICIAL FIELD DAY GEAR FROM THE ARRL

You've spent all year preparing for ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday>, but there are still a few things you're missing: The official 2012 Field Day shirt, hat, pin and logbook! ARRL Field Day -- Amateur Radio's largest on-the-air operating event -- is just a little more than two months away, so be sure to get your gear before supplies run out. This year's ARRL Field Day shirt is a khaki T-shirt that sports the 2012 Field Day logo atop a pocket, with the ARRL diamond logo and "Ham Radio" on the back. Shirts are available in sizes Small-4XL. The hat -- which has "Field Day" emblazoned on its front -- is Texas Orange and is color-coordinated with this year's logo. New for 2012 is the ARRL Field Day Logbook. This nifty logbook is set up in the Field Day reporting format and includes dupe sheets and other forms that you need to have to ensure a successful Field Day. Clubs, order early! Collect orders from members and place a single order -- pay only $12.50 shipping for orders over $50 (while supplies last). ARRL Field Day is June 23-24, 2012. Fulfill all your Field Day apparel needs at the Field Day Supplies section of the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Field-Day-Supplies/>.

==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: ARRL PR COMMITTEE TO HOST FIELD DAY WEBINAR

The ARRL Public Relations Committee will be holding a free webinar entitled Field Day Press Release <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/278619454> on Thursday, April 12 at 9 PM (EDT). This webinar is geared for those who want to learn the easiest -- and most effective -- ways to write up a media release for

Field Day and actually get it noticed by the media in your home region. Learn the "tricks of the trade" from the people who actually work in radio, television and print media. ARRL Public Relations Committee Chairman Steven Polunsky, W5SMP, will host the event; Polunsky is also the Public Information Coordinator for the ARRL's South Texas Section. Joining Polunsky are Bill Husted, KQ4YA (print), Mark Kraham, W8CMK (TV) and Don Carlson, KQ6FM (radio). Space is limited -- reserve your spot today <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/278619454>.

==> + GOOGLE DECLARES "MORSE CODE IS PERFECT" WITH NEW GMAIL TAP MAIL PROGRAM

On April 1 (yes, April Fools' Day), Google announced that it has unveiled a new way to use its popular Gmail e-mail system. Called Gmail Tap, it uses dots and dashes to form letters, a system of communicating that should be very familiar to radio amateurs. "Morse code is perfect," said Gmail Tap Engineer Mitch Fedenko. "It's just a dot and a dash. What's simpler than that?" Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/google-declares-morse-code-is-perfect-with-new-em-gmail-tap-em-mail-program>.

==> + STEPHEN KLINEFELTER TAKES OVER AS NEW ARMY MARS CHIEF

On April 2, US Army Colonel (retired) Stephen G. Klinefelter -- a senior staff officer who oversees Army MARS operations for the US Army Network Enterprise Technology Command -- announced that he was assuming the post of Chief of Army MARS, effective immediately. Klinefelter, 61, took the leading role last December in untangling a Pentagon decision to "phase out" the Army MARS Winlink 2000 messaging system, used by numerous state and municipal emergency management organizations; an investigation showed it lacked required certification for safety from hostile incursions. He successfully argued that the resources of Amateur Radio -- not just MARS or Winlink -- far outweighed any risk from enemy hackers. Lieutenant General Susan Lawrence, the Army's Chief Information Officer, ordered an exemption from this policy for Army MARS, which officials said would extend to the Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps MARS programs, too. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/stephen-klinefelter-takes-over-as-new-army-mars-chief>.

==> + SILENT KEY: FRED MAIA, W5YI (SK)

The holder of one of the best-known US Amateur Radio call signs, Frederick "Fred" Maia, W5YI, of Arlington, Texas, died of cancer on March 28. He was 76. Maia was a leading Amateur Radio journalist for nearly 35 years and a pioneer of the Volunteer Examiner program adopted by the FCC in 1984, and was the first Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) appointed by the FCC. Maia subsequently founded The W5YI Group in 1986 to develop, publish and sell amateur and commercial radio license study materials. In the realm of FCC commercial radio licensing, Fred formed National Radio Examiners to provide examination services. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fred-maia-w5yi-sk>.

==> + ON THE AIR: W1AW CLAIMS 5BDXCC

Nearly four decades after the introduction of the Five Band DXCC Award (5BDXCC <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-award-information>), W1AW <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw>, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station has achieved this milestone. "As with most stations, we found that 80 meters was our stumbling block," W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, explained. "One by one, we picked off the needed entities, and W1AW now holds 5BDXCC #7307. W1AW's 5BDXCC plaque will hang in a place of honor at the station."

Prior to achieving 5BDXCC, W1AW held DXCC <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-award-information> on 40-10 meters for many years, but was always searching for the last few remaining entities on 80 meters. Carcia said that at least 90 percent of the confirmations were made via Logbook of The World, (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>), but the last contacts #99 and #100 on 80 meters were confirmed via traditional QSL cards.

W1AW currently holds Five Band Worked All Continents Award (5BWAC <http://www.arrl.org/wac>), Five Band Worked All States Award (5BWAS <http://www.arrl.org/was>), Worked All Continents Award (WAC) on CW, RTTY and Phone, Mixed DXCC (with 250 entities confirmed) and DXCC for Digital, CW and Phone.

"Now that W1AW has 5BDXCC, we are gunning for DXCC Honor Roll <http://www.arrl.org/system/dxcc/view/DXCC-HR-20120402-A4.pdf>," Carcia said. "Like with 5BDXCC, there are just a few more entities to go before W1AW can claim this award."

==> ON THE AIR: ARRL ROOKIE ROUNDUP'S THIRD YEAR INCLUDES NEW CATEGORIES

With the Rookie Roundup beginning its third year of competition, 2012 brings some new changes in the event -- including new entry categories. The first Rookie Roundup of 2012 will use SSB (phone) and will be held on Sunday, April 15 from 1800-2359 UTC. All amateurs are welcome to participate, especially those in DX locations.

The focus of the RR remains those who are newly licensed -- hams who received their very first license during the current year or the two previous calendar years (2012, 2011 or 2010). Those licensed before 2010 are encouraged to get on and work the Rookies. Or consider acting as an Elmer and coaching Rookies in their contest efforts without actually making QSOs -- or performing logging or any other station functions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-rookie-roundup-s-third-year-includes-new-categories>.

==> TWO NEW BOOKS AND DIGITAL SOFTWARE LIBRARY -- NOW SHIPPING!

The ARRL has just released two new books and a digital software library that you are going to want to have in your shack: Hints & Kinks for the Radio Amateur (18th edition) and Short Antennas for 160 Meter Radio by

Grant Bingeman, KM5KG. The newest version of Software Library for Hams is also available as an immediate download or on CD-ROM. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/two-new-books-and-digital-software-library-now-shipping>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of March -- takes a look at upcoming ARRL member benefits, new privileges for radio amateurs on 60 meters, forthcoming ARRL publications, happenings at W1AW, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-44>.

==> ARRL HQ: TWO POSITIONS OPEN AT ARRL HQ

The League is currently looking to fill two open positions at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. One position is in the Membership and Volunteer Programs Department <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Employment/Awards%20and%20Programs%20Assistant%20%282%29.pdf>
and the other is in the Education Services Department <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%20ARRL/Employment/FT%20Ed%20Svcs%20Instruction%20and%20Resource%20Coordinator-announce%20Mar12%20%282%29.pdf>.
To apply, please send your cover letter and resume via e-mail <mlevesque@arrl.org>, or complete the application <http://www.arrl.org/files/media/News/Revised_Employment_Application.pdf>, print it out and mail it with your resume and cover letter to Monique Levesque, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. You can also fax your application, cover letter and resume to 860-594-0298. Please include your salary history and salary requirements. The ARRL is an equal opportunity employer. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/two-positions-open-at-arrl-hq>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I remember April when the Sun was in the sky <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=igs54heetSI>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Over the past week, the average daily sunspot number and solar flux values rose slightly, even though as the week progressed, each day had a lower number than the day before. The daily sunspot number began the week at a high of 100, but ended at 60. Likewise, the daily solar flux started at 111.5, ending with 102.1. The mild geomagnetic conditions made for a quiet week, with the only unsettled conditions on April 1-2 in very high latitude regions, with Alaska's College A index at 11 and 17. From the April 4 USAF forecast, they see solar flux for April 5 at 105, April 6-7 at 110, 115 on April 8-10, followed by 110 on April 11, and then 100 on April 12-22. The next predicted short-term peak for solar flux is 130 on May 2-5. Look for more information on the ARRL website on Thursday, April 5. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation

page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by David Cassidy's Daydreamer <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daydreamer_%28David_Cassidy_song%29>.

==> + ARRL TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF GOOD FRIDAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Good Friday on Friday, April 6. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, April 9 at 8 AM Eastern Daylight Time. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: ERIC P. NICHOLS, KL7AJ, WINS MARCH QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the QST Cover Plaque Award for March is Eric P. Nichols, KL7AJ, for his article "Three Wrong Assumptions about the Ionosphere." Congratulations Eric! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the April issue today.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- How many times have you attended the Dayton Hamvention®?
- Have you used your new 60 meter CW or digital privileges?
- Do you use software to control your transceiver?
- When was the last time you inspected your antenna feed lines?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the July 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- April 6 -- NCCC RTTY Sprint
- April 7 -- LZ Open 40 Meter Sprint Contest; PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest (local time)
- April 7-8 -- QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party; SP DX Contest
- April 11 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- April 11-12 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- April 13 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder 0230Z-0300Z, Apr 13
- April 14 -- EU Spring Sprint (CW)
- April 14-15 -- Georgia QSO Party; Montana QSO Party; New Mexico QSO Party; QCWA Spring QSO Party; JIDX CW Contest; Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest
- April 15 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>; International Vintage Contest HF Contest; Hungarian Straight Key Contest
- April 17 -- 222 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 7 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest-1>, Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett, Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012 <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle, Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho; 63rd International DX Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>, Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radio-electronics-expo-1>, Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe, Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>, Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,

Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
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To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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483. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-022E - RAC office hours April 5 - 9, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-05 21:56:45 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F7E14B7.4070606@rac.ca>
Source record: 3350
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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2012-04-05

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April 9th

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-06 09:00:12 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120406090003.4BD8A33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3251
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1808 - April 6 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1808 with a release date of April 6th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC issues a Notice of Inquiry on ham radios role in emergency communications and the way land use restrictions may be impeding this vital public service while the ARRL asks you to assist it in responding to the FCC on this matter. Also, Canada issues its first 60 meter developmental license; a Kansas ham survives a lightning strike and friends pay homage to the ham who loved Morse but is credited with bringing code free licensing to the United States. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1808 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FCC ISSUES INQUIRY ON THE FUTURE OF HAM RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

The FCC is taking a look at amateur radios role in emergency communications. It also wants to know about obstacles to ham radio operations such as Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions better known as C C and R's that keep radio amateurs from being able to fulfill their public service duties. It's done this in a Public Notice given the identifier of G N Docket 12-91 also known as DA 12-523. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, is here with the details.

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Just how important is amateur radio during emergencies? What is ham radio's value to the community when disasters strike? The FCC wants to hear from you about these questions, because the Commission has a lot of homework to do for Congress. Most hams know that helping serve the community is one of the primary reasons the amateur radio service was founded.

Hams have a long history of helping during emergencies. They maintain close relationships with the National Weather Service and other public safety groups. When tornadoes raked Arkansas and Alabama in January, radio amateurs provided important communications support. They were active, as well, when a severe winter storm knocked out power and communications to villages along the Bering Sea in November, 2011.

The Commission is required to study amateur radio as part of a Public Law known as the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012. The FCC is to analyze ham radio's uses and capabilities during emergencies, and to submit its findings to House and Senate Committees.

The law also requires the Commission to analyze ham radio's importance as it relates to protecting lives and property. The Commission is to provide recommendations on how to enhance voluntary deployment of ham radio operators when needed. The law compels FCC to evaluate how best to integrate amateur radio into furthering various federal government initiatives that might require communications support.

If there are impediments along the way, the law requires that the Commission find ways to remove them. For example, the law questions whether antenna restrictions or unnecessary private land use restrictions wind up causing more problems than they solve.

In doing its study, FCC is directed to reach out to various entities including amateur radio, as well as various disaster and emergency response organizations.

The Commission has been given a list of specific questions to ask. If you want to comment, you can answer those questions, but you can also submit other comments, too, as long as they relate to the study.

The questions seek examples on various scenarios where amateur radio played a key role relating to emergency response and disaster relief.

Specific benefits ham radio provided are to be named.

Another question asks for examples of when ham radio is an advantage over other forms of communications during emergencies, and when does it complement those other systems.

Other questions cover a wide range of subjects, all involving amateur radio's role, how it can best be utilized, communications training, activities, planning and much more. One topic raised is whether existing rules governing the amateur radio service might need modifying to better facilitate emergency communications. The changes could be of an operational nature...or perhaps some technical limitations need to be addressed. The study asks whether rules changes would be a good idea to encourage development of innovative new technologies, whether voice, data or perhaps video.

In the past, some amateur radio emergency groups have expressed the desire to be able to interconnect directly with public safety and health care communications systems during emergencies. The Commission is to look into whether this should be considered, and if doing so, would enable hams to better serve the public, or whether would pose problems.

The possibility of national certification standards is mentioned as another subject to investigate.

If there are any current Commission rules that serve as impediments to what hams try to accomplish during emergencies, the FCC is told to name them and assess whether they should be changed or lifted to make it easier on hams trying to help during disasters.

If you want to submit comments, you have until May 17th to do so. You can file your comments electronically or by mail. To submit comments electronically, go to apps.fcc.gov/ecfs. Paper filings must include an original and one copy for each filing. Those must be mailed to the Commission's Secretary. The address is: Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th St SW, Washington, DC, 20554.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline I'm David Black, KB4KCH, from Birmingham, AL.

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The FCC says that stakeholder entities and organizations, including the amateur radio, emergency response, and disaster communications communities, are particularly encouraged to submit comments. However the FCC says that those who do provide filings should not view this Public Notice as an opportunity to seek Commission rulings regarding specific situations. This is an overview inquiry only. And be certain to mention Docket 12-91 when you do submit your comments. The complete text of this FCC release can be downloaded in .PDF format at tinyurl.com/fcc-emcomm-study (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: ARRL SAYS IT NEEDS CCR RESTRICTION INFORMATION ASAP

In a related story, if you live in a CC&R restricted community, have deed restrictions or homeowners association covenants that have prevented you from erecting amateur radio antennas then the ARRL wants to hear from you.

The League says that it is looking for input in two specific areas. These are recent amateur radio involvement in actual emergency communications and disaster relief and specific details about how CC&R's and other private land use restrictions have impaired licensed amateurs to participate fully in these disaster relief communications.

If your ability to participate in ARES, RACES, SKYWARN, CERT, or other emergency and disaster relief communications has been limited because the inability to have adequate antennas due to such land use or owners association restrictions, you are asked to provide that information to the ARRL. Also to provide it as a narrative of your exact situation, giving as much detail as practical. Some areas for you to consider in writing your story might be:

Were there alternative properties without CC&Rs in the area you wished to reside?

The exact wording of what exactly does your CC&R's prohibit or allow.

Have you applied for a waiver of the CC&R with the Home Owner's Association Architectural Review Committee but were denied? If so, what was the reason?

Whether you are an ARRL member or not, your information and situation are important to helping the League make the case for all amateurs. Please provide your documentation to the ARRL as soon as possible but definitely before Wednesday April 25th. It can either be uploaded to the ARRL website at www.arrl.org/ccr-study-information or they can be sent as an e-mail attachment to an email sent to CCRinfo (at) arrl (dot) org. (ARRL)

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RADIO RULES: CANADA BEGINS ISSUING 60 METER EXPERIMENTAL LICENSES

Canada has begun issuing experimental licenses for the 60 meter band. Regulator Industry Canada issued the first such developmental license on April 2nd to Russ Hemphill, VE3FI, to use the call sign VX9GHD at 5 MHz.

Canadian radio amateurs have been waiting three years for an opportunity to join the USA, Britain and other nations in making use of the 60 meter spectrum. When a true Canadian amateur radio allocation on 5 MHz meters might be approved is at this time unknown. (VE3FI)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K-J-Zero-A repeater serving Maryland Heights Missouri.

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RESCUE RADIO: SEVERE WEATHER SPOTTER SURVIVES NEARBY LIGHTNING STRIKE

A ham radio severe weather spotter has survived a near-by lightning strike. According to news reports Bill Isles, KD0IIF, of Wichita, Kansas, is recovering after he survived a lightning strike and used his ham radio gear to call for help.

At 9:30pm Thursday, March 29, KD0IIF, who is a volunteer storm spotter was standing in his backyard. According to Isles, he could hear thunder and see lightning off in the distance, but did not think anything was quite that close to him. Suddenly he felt a shock from a nearby strike and was knocked to the ground. The only thing close was his amateur transceiver.

In a statement to a local Wichita station, Isles said that his whole body was twitching. Also that his radio had flown a little further ahead of him. He managed to grab it and put out a call for assistance.

Isles call was answered by Mike Mathia KD0IJO. Mathia and two other amateur radio operators called 911. Sedgwick County EMS soon arrived on the scene. The checked Isles condition and then transported him to a local hospital for further observation.

According to several reports, the odds of being hit by lightning are one in 835,000.

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CRYPTIC NEWS RELEASE: RSGB SAYS IT IS PREPARED TO DEFEND MORSE

Is there some group somewhere wanting to rid ham radio of Morse Code? This, at a time when its popularity is growing at a rate almost as fast as it did when wireless was first introduced?

One might get that impression from a rather cryptic two paragraph news release issued by the Radio Society of Great Britain. The statement, published in the latest RSGB news is presented here by news reader Jeremy Boot, G4NJH:

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"Some say that CW has been made obsolete by modern digitmodes, which work well in conditions far too poor for the older mode.

"Now that Morse is no longer used in commercial radio traffic, the RSGB confirms that it would fight any moves to prohibit CW on amateur bands. The Society recognizes that Morse gives much pleasure to thousands of operators, and will continue to support its use."

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Very interesting and also begs this question back to the Radio Society of Great Britain: If there is some honest to goodness organized threat to the use of Morse by radio amateurs, how about directly identifying those involved? After all, if you are doing news and have that specific information, it is your duty to the worlds ham radio public to tell all of us what's going on and who is behind any such anti-Morse movement. (RSGB/GB2RS)

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INTRUDER WATCH: FM ON 50.079 NEAR ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS

Intruders have come to the 6 meter band in the mid-West. Jay Morehouse, W9RM, near Rockford, Illinois, reports via the VHF Reflector that he has been monitoring stations running FM on 50.079.

According to W9RM, he first noticed them on Thursday, March 29th. All were running FM Push to Talk and speaking Spanish. Signal strength was S3 to 5 with some QSB monitoring with 7 element yagi at 80 feet.

Jay notes that there was no sign of any skywave propagation at the time he heard them.

W9RM asks anyone within a hundred or so miles of Rockford who has the time to keep an ear on 50.079 and if you hear the signal, try to get a bearing on it. He hopes that with enough stations on board that an exact fix on the location can be had fairly quickly.

You can contact Jay in care of RF Specialists Inc., PO Box 849, Hampshire Illinois, 60140 or by e-mail to w9rm (at) ARRL (dot) net.

(VHF Reflector)

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ENFORCEMENT: TENNESSEE UNLICENSED BROADCASTER HIT WITH $10000 NAL

The FCC has issued a Notice of Apparent Liability in the amount of $22,000 to Arthur Lee Young of Cosby, Tennessee. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 87.9 MHz and refusing to allow an inspection of that radio station. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, has more:

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In a March 27th release, The FCC's said that back on April 14, 2011, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Atlanta Office used direction-finding techniques to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on 87.9 MHz to Arthur Lee Young's residence. During that first visit, Young permitted an inspection of the radio station. He also admitted that he owned the radio equipment and voluntarily relinquished it to the agents. Case closed you would think? Well not so fast.

Only a few weeks ago on February 29th an agent from the Atlanta Office again used direction-finding techniques to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on the frequency 87.9 MHz. Once again he T-hunted it to Young's residence. This time Young and his wife met with the agent outside of the residence, but Young refused to speak to with him. Young's wife, however, acknowledged that her husband was operating an unlicensed radio station from their home. The agent asked to inspect the station, but Mr. Young refused the request and walked away. That's when the agent informed Young that refusing to allow an inspection is a separate violation of the applicable law.

Now its' all come home to roost. In issuing the Notice of Apparent Liability the FCC says that Arthur Lee Young apparently willfully and repeatedly violated Section 301 of the Communications Act by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter. Also, that he violated Section 303 N of the Act by refusing the Commissions' agent access to inspect the station. Added the two violations together, and noting that the violation of Section 301 was repeated more than once, the FCC says that Young is apparently liable for forfeiture in the amount of $22,000.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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As is always the case, Young was given the customary 30 days from the date of publication of the finding to pay or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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HAMVENTION 2012 NEWS: AFFILIATED EVENT PLANNERS NEED TO NOTIFY HAMVENTION WEBMASTER ASAP

The Dayton Hamvention website administrator is asking planners of affiliated events to advise him as to when and where these events will be taking place and to do so as soon as possible.

Hamvention Webmaster Richard Rieben, KE4WLE, says in a post to the Hamvention blog that as of now, listings are sparse. This is mainly because planners of these events have thus far not notified either himself or the Dayton Amateur Radio Association as to who is sponsoring this years ancillary events and where they are being held.

Reiben says that if your group is hosting or organizing an event and would like that event publicized in the Hamvention program and on the web site to please send the required information in a word document. This must include what it is, where and when its being held. Also you must include whom to contact, a daytime phone number, your e-mail and any website URL if you have one.

Please send this information by e-mail to program (at) Hamvention (dot) org. KE4WLE adds that the cut-off date for submissions is May 1st, but the soon you can get this material to him the better. Again the e-mail address where to send this information is program (at) Hamvention (dot) org. (KE4WLE, Hamvention remailer))

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: LEO LAPORTE, W6TWT, LIVE FROM NAB

Leo Laporte, W6TWT, will be bringing his popular netcast network, TWiT, This Week in Tech, to the upcoming National Association of Broadcasters Convention in Las Vegas the third week in April. This according to TWIT Live Events Producer Lynn Fu who says that for the second year in a row that TWIT will be the official streaming partner at giant NAB gathering.

Leo along with his team of high tech guru's will broadcast live from the TWiT stage inside the South Lower Hall from April 16th to the 19th. According to Fu, the plan is to take a look at the latest broadcasting products, content creation and distribution technologies, professional audio and video equipment and much more. Fu says the TWIT video crew will tour exhibition booths and interview vendors, using a variety of hosts to keep people entertained as they tune in. Unfortunately the workshops will not be streamed.

TWiT first aired in 2005, originally under the title "The Revenge of The Screen Savers." These days the TWiT Network gets around 5 million downloads a month. TWiT also produces such netcasts as Home Theater Geeks and of course Ham Nation which is hosted by Bob Heil, K9EID, and

Gordon West, WB6NOA. You can tune in the live coverage of NAB at live.twit.tv or access the coverage later via the TWIT TV website's on-demand feature. To get more information on TWiT, go to twit.tv. (Source: TWIT-TV; RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HEIL SOUND TO AGAIN HOST HAB HAM RADIO RECEPTION

And speaking about Bob Heil, K9EID, he and his wife Sarah will again be co-hosting this years National Association of Broadcasters Convention Ham Radio Reception. This 2012 gathering takes place in Ballroom B at the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel on Wednesday, April 18th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Pacific time.

According to K9EID, this event is open to all Amateur Radio operators attending the NAB convention. He notes that last year over 800 attendees enjoyed the free drinks, food and $16,000.00 worth of prizes that were given away.

Bob also tells Newsline Leo Laporte, W6TWT will live stream the entire two hours of the reception on his TWIT Internet television network at live.twit.tv. Also in attendance will be Bob's Ham Nation co-hosts Gordon West, WB6NOA and George Thomas, W5JDX. (K9EID) .

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: FRED MAIA, W5YI, - S.K.

The ham radio operator whose work in eliminating mandatory Morse testing and in turn appears to have escalated that mode to new heights of popularity has become a Silent Key. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, reports on the life and passing of Fred Maia, W5YI:

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We could probably safely say tens of thousands in the amateur radio community had some kind of contact with Fred Maia, W5YI, over the last 35 years.

Some may have been early readers of his W5YI Report.

Others may have been regular consumers of his "Ticket Talk" and, later, the monthly column, "Washington Readout," published in CQ magazine.

Still others may have had an even more intimate relationship with Fred and his work thanks to using his license study guides to get their ham tickets.

Maybe they even went to a W5YI-sponsored VE testing session and took their license exams under supervision of people who were trained by Fred Maia.

Still others who had a closer relationship with him and numbered among his friends say he was probably one of the most passionate promoters of the amateur radio service and ham radio licensing of his time.

His good friend and partner, Gordon West, WB6NOA, recalls the controversy W5YI generated when he led the campaign some years ago to eliminate the Morse Code from amateur radio license requirements. And, West says, this from a guy who loved CW and was really good at it.

"In the military, he was great at copying CW at 30, 40 and 50 wpm," West recalls Maia telling him.

"So, it was a bit by surprise that he would author rulemaking legislation that would ultimately lead to a code-free - he called it, Communicator Class license.

"That's right, he wanted to do away with what he felt was a barrier for new hams - the CW - knowing all too well that once the new ham got on the air they would begin to learn and love CW."

Rich Moseson, W2VU, editor of CQ magazine, says few may remember that it was Fred Maia who pressed the FCC on the volunteer examination program for ham radio licensing.

"One of the leading people behind the implementation of the volunteer examining program and when that came to fruitition, he was one of the first people who applied to be a volunteer examiner coordinator and, in fact, was the first person or organization named as a VEC," Moseson recalls.

Moseson says he had lots of interaction with W5YI about his popular "Washington Readout," column for CQ. Moseson says it was one of the most popular and well read parts of CQ every month.

Moseson says it's difficult to quantify the impact Maia had on so many who are hams today.

"His devotion to the amateur radio service was unparalleled and he was responsible for helping untold thousands of people become hams or get their licenses upgraded or get the call signs that they wanted both through his column in CQ and through his W5YI-VEC organization," Moseson says.

Moseson says Maia actually retired from the W5YI-VEC group back in 2000 and turned the management of it over to Larry Pollock, NB5X, but still had an extensive hand in its operations. Moseson says it will continue as it has for the past 12 years.

As far as the column in CQ goes, Moseson says he is looking for a successor, perhaps not someone who writes in the same style as W5YI, but someone who can offer readers similar material.

Fred Maia, W5YI, died on March 28 after a bout with cancer. He was 76.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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Fred Maia, W5YI, is survived by his wife, Doris, and two daughters. A memorial service was held on Saturday March 31st in Arlington, Texas. (ARNewsline(tm), CQ, WB6NOA, W2VU)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISS MENTOR INTRODUCTION AT DAYTON 2012

AMSAT and ARRL are teaming up during the 2012 Dayton Hamvention to recruit new Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS mentors. At 4 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time On May 18th and 19th the ARRL stage area will be used by AMSAT to explain the need for additional ARISS mentors. It will also outline the requirements and responsibilities needed to help provide a reliable conversation between astronauts and selected schools or groups. All amateurs attending Hamvention 2012 are invited to attend. (ARISS)

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WORLDBEAT: RADIO NETHERLANDS TO DROP DUTCH SHORTWAVE LANGUAGE BROADCASTS IN MAY

Radio Netherlands is in the news again with word that the international broadcaster will terminate Dutch language transmissions world-wide on May 11th. And to say farewell to Dutch speaking listeners around the world the station plans to hold a 24-hour marathon broadcast from 2000 UTC on May 10th until 2000 UTC on May 11th. Frequencies and a listing of program content should be posted soon to the Radio Netherlands Dutch language website.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: DX UNIVERSITY APRIL 20 - LAST CALL TO REGISTER

The annual 'DX University' will take place in Visalia, California, on Friday, April 20th. On the program are several of the world's most renowned DXers who will share their knowledge. You will also hear some vital tips on making DXCC and on achieving Honor Roll status.

So far over 120 hams have already reserved their place at this session. There are still a few seats left. Go to www.dxuniversity.com to register. (DX University)

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DX

In DX, PA7JWC and PD7DB operating stroke PJ2 will be on the air from Curacao through the 9th April. They will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on 80 through 10 meters. QSLs via Logbook of The World is preferred otherwise send paper QSL's to their home callsigns, either direct and via the bureau.

JA1XGI will be active as A35XG from Tonga through the 9th of April on 30, 17 and 12 metes using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL him also via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

ON4AEO and several other operators will be active as 3DA0FC from Swaziland from April 6th to the 10th. They plan to operate SSB, RTTY and PSK on 80 through 10 meters. QSL via ON4CJK, direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, GM6TW will be operating from the Inner Hebrides from April 7th to 13th. His main operating location will be the Isle of Jura, but he also- hopes to activate from Islay and Colonsay as well. No frequencies or modes were given. QSL via M0UTD.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: ELECTRONIC HERITAGE - SCHNECTADY MUSEUM GETS ALL GE VIDEO

And finally this week a story about the work of a museum doing all it can to preserve some of electronics past. Here's Jeff Clark, K8JAC:

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The Schenectady Museum is using the YouTube dot com website to rebroadcast more than 1,000 of its General Electric films, which date back to 1915. According to the museum curator Chris Hunter, the archive was previously available only on 16 millimeter film and was viewed infrequently because of its physical condition and the cumbersome process to watch the films using an optical projector.

Hunter said that the museum had long wanted to digitize the collection in order to preserve it but until recently it had been cost prohibitive to do so. Now, thanks to grants from the Institute for Museum and Library Services and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers Life Members' Foundation, the museum was able to purchase a high-definition film transfer unit and hire and operator for it.

Among the film artifacts now existing in the digital domain are advertisements, raw footage of equipment tests, company picnics and promotional clips. Also transferred is the famed early television series titled the General Electric Theater. It was hosted by former President Ronald Reagan.

The museum hopes to finish uploading all of its film transferred videos to YouTube in the next year. It will then begin digitizing its 1,200 video tape based archives. A direct link to what has already been uploaded and available for viewing is at tinyurl.com/ge-on-youtube

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Again that U-R-L to screen all of those historic General Electric films is tinyurl.com/ge-on-youtube (Schnetady Daily Gazette, ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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485. Re: Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1808 - April 6 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-06 10:28:55 UTC
From: Ian <nospam@nospam-please-I-am-veggie.net>
Message-ID: <jlmggm$j0$1@speranza.aioe.org>
Source record: 3252

"William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com> wrote in message
news:20120406090003.4BD8A33C94@panix2.panix.com...
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> CRYPTIC NEWS RELEASE: RSGB SAYS IT IS PREPARED TO DEFEND MORSE
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> Is there some group somewhere wanting to rid ham radio of Morse Code?
> This, at a time when its popularity is growing at a rate almost as fast
> as it did when wireless was first introduced?
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A search shows that this item came from the RSGB news dated 1st April 2012.

73, Ian.

486. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 6 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-06 11:05:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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Update on 60 metres

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Radio Amateurs of Canada has been pursuing channelized access to 60M since early 2010. Their request was for an allocation identical to the US allocation, with one additional unique Canadian channel, and with fewer restrictions

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GB1HMGY from Mayflower Park

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Southampton Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event Station from Mayflower Park, Southampton to mark the 100th anniversary of the loss of the RMS Titanic

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RSGB Training and Education Committee

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The RSGB Board has decided to create a Training and Education Committee, which will take over many of the roles of the former Amateur Radio Development Committee

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SOTA activation from Serra de Montejunto, Portugal

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Pedro, CT7AEZ will be active from Serra de Montejunto, near Alenquer and about 65 Km north of Lisbon, for the program SOTA Portugal - Summits On The Air Portugal on Saturday, April 7th

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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New frequencies for Polish Radio Amateurs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kHKw2E251jo/new_frequencies_for_polish_radio_amateurs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Polski Związek Krótkofalowców (PZK), Poland's national society, has
announced new frequency allocations for the Amateur and Amateur-satellite
Services

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Radio Canada International announces end of its shortwave broadcasting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fpz6Z6jTJC8/rci_ends_shortwave_broadcasting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Spending cuts announced last week in Canada's latest federal budget have
reached Radio Canada International

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XdVst033tAM/april_06.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over the past week the average daily sunspot number and solar flux values
rose slightly, even though for both daily values, as the week progressed
each day had a lower number than the day before

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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BBC Competition - 'Knobs, dials and crackles'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dScfFBtASAM/knobs_dials_and_crackles.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To mark its move back to Broadcasting House this year, BBC Radio 4's Today programme is producing a limited edition, digital radio

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Jim Marshall

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tsRIl6OLFM8/jim_marshall.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Thursday, April 5, Jim Marshall, pioneer of guitar amplification, passed away aged 88

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NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NebxZ1LMKu4/propagation_forecast_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-15 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 06, 2012

487. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 6 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-06 16:27:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93409f30ebb4904bd052329@google.com>
Source record: 3254
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1808 April 6 2012

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 08:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341118-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1808--April-6-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1808 ☐ April 6 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1808 with a release date of April 6th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC issues a Notice of Inquiry on ham radios role in emergency communications and the way land use restrictions may be impeding this vital public service while the ARRL asks you to assist it in responding to the FCC on this matter. Also, Canada issues its first 60 meter developmental license; a Kansas ham survives a lightning strike and friends pay homage to the ham who loved Morse but is credited with bringing code free licensing to the United States. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1808 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO LAW: FCC ISSUES INQUIRY ON THE FUTURE OF HAM RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

The FCC is taking a look at amateur radios role in emergency communications. It also wants to know about obstacles to ham radio operations such as Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions better known as C C and R☐s that keep radio amateurs from being able to fulfill their public service duties. It☐s done this in a Public Notice given the identifier of G N Docket 12☐91 also known as DA 12-523. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s David Black, KB4KCH, is here with the details.

488. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 6 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-06 16:31:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934062b88d7d604bd052e3a@google.com>
Source record: 3255
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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ARRL Rookie roundup?

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 06:25 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341161-ARRL-Rookie-roundup&goto=newpost

Arrl Rookie Roundup.... Who is doing it?

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The Castle of San Francisco, WCA Ref: EA-01917 Gran Canaria Island, Canary Islands

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 03:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341150-The-Castle-of-San-Francisco-WCA-Ref-EA-01917-Gran-Canaria-Island-Canary-Islands&goto=newpost

Estimates.

Next Sunday April 8, 2012 we will be in the air from the castle of San Francisco, WCA Ref: EA-01917, between 13:30 hours and 17:00 hours.

Indicative EA8BGO / P

The bands in which we will air will be 20 and 40 meters.

Best regards,

Juanjo

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COOKEN Celebrating Arbor Day at Dawes Aboretum on April 28 (W8TNX)

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 06:43 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341109-COOKEN-Celebrating-Arbor-Day-at-Dawes-Aboretum-on-April-28-(-W8TNX)&goto=newpost

The Central Ohio Operators Klub Extra-Novice (COOKEN) will be celebrating Arbor Day again this year in the woods of Dawes Aboretum in LIcking County Ohio. We will be operating on 40 meters SSB (7180 +/-) QRM starting at 10:00 AM EDT on April 28, 2012. Beautiful color certificates to first 300 contacts. More details on the event including how to get your certificate are on http://www.qrz.com/db/W8TNX Hope to see you there.

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8Q7UY Thulhagiri Island

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 12:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341057-8Q7UY-Thulhagiri-Island&goto=newpost

UT5UY will be active from Thulhagiri Island (IOTA AS-013) , Maldive Islands
12-21 April 2012 as 8Q7UY

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ldive-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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GI100MGY and GI2012MGY

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 11:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341045-GI100MGY-and-GI2012MGY&goto=newpost

Two special specials will be active from Belfast for the 100th

anniversary of the sinking of the RMS Titanic. GI100MGY will be active

from The City Hall, Belfast 7-10th of April as part of the councils

Titanic 2012 festival. We'll actually be setting up station in the

council chambers, point your browser here:

http://preview.tinyurl.com/ccecos4

and have a look at page 27 in the festival programme where we get a

mention, this programme was distributed free to every home in the

Belfast area - quite a coup for amateur radio.

GI2012MGY will then run from 12-18th from onboard the SS Nomadic, the

last surviving link to the Titanic and the White Star line:

http://www.nomadicpreservationsociety.co.uk/index.asp

We'll be operating mere yards from where the Titanic and indeed the

Nomadic where built AND where MTV will be staging their Titanic Sounds

concert on the 13th, again quite a coup.

The two callsigns are "firsts" for the UK being the first time a

regional designator has been allowed to be used as a special event

callsign, we expect interest to be huge. GI100MGY will of necessity be a

100w station while GI2010MGY will run the legal limit. We'll be QRV on

all bands 80 - 10m using CW and SSB, it is unlikely we'll do any digital

modes as operating time is short and we want to give as many as possible

a chance to work us.

We will be delighted (more than delighted!!) to welcome any locals who want to come and help at these multiclub stations, arguably the most important to ever operate from the province and a wonderful opportunity to showcase amateur radio to the public which is what it's really all about.

489. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 3 / WEEK 14

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-06 18:51:52 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201204061740.q36HeIiO001542@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3256
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No.3 / WEEK 14 2012
2012-04-06 at 16:00 UTC

** MMMonVHF Newsletter / No.03 - WEEK 14/2012 **

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-04-04
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF webpages down **

Regular users will have noticed that our webpages have been down
for several hours.

Main reason was a security issue at the hosting sever. Not all details
are known but the problem was solved by our webmaster DG2KBC.

As the issue occured while sending an extra edition of the newsletter,
we will send this edition again. At least 40% of the NL did not arrive.

We appologize for the inconvenience.

Happy Eastern!

Frank, PA4EME, on behalf of MMMonVHF

Extra edition for subscribers of the MMMonVHF newsletter.

In yesterdays newsletter we have send a announcement for the Dutch
VHF-day. This message is repeated at the bottom of this edition.

The organizers (non-commercial) are inviting subscribers of the MMMonVHF
newsletter or any other active VHF stations to attend or visit the meeting.

On April 14th, the annual VHF conference is held in Budel. (20 km from
Eindhoven, 100 km Brussels, 90 km Kï¿½ln)

We invite you with two very interesting presentations:
1. 70 MHz, by PE1ITR
2. Low Noise Antenna design (LFA) by G0KSC.

Moreover, some test equipment will be available if you want to check, or
adjust, your LNA, filters, or measure the VSWR small signal PA or mixer.
The VHF conference commences at 10:00, and will end around 16:00 hrs.

If you apply (free!) before April 12th, you are entitled for a FREE LUNCH.

Please send application to PA5KM@VERON.NL (also for Dutch hams!).

Hope to see you on April 14th!

Peter, PA3BIY

Address:
Cafe-Zaal De Wielerbaan
Maarheezerweg 9-11
6021 CN Budel

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** VHF-day in the Netherlands **

Saturday April 14, 2012 VERON " VHF day "

Location :

Cafe zaal de Wielerbaan
Maarheerzerweg 9-11
6021 CN Budel
the Netherlands

Latitude: 51.279095 Longitude: 5.581312
Locator: JO21SG96SX

Lectures :

70 MHz by Rob, PE1ITR
LFA yagi design by Justin, G0KSC

Radiomuseum nearby is open for visit, has special exhibition old VHF-UHF
equipment, during lunch break time for : noisefigure measurement,
vector-network analysis, frequency calibration, etc.

SOURCE: Coen, PA5KM ; chairman VERON VHF-UHF committee

NOTE MMMonVHF: Frank, PA4EME, and Peter, PA3BIY, from the MMMonVHF team will
visit this day.

** DXCC: XV; square OK10, OK20 **

LATEST NEWS by Peter, DJ4TC, dated 2012-04-06:

Past night we have made again several good contacts. It worked very well for us...
There was several stations called XV and 3W - please wait until the pile up is lower if you have worked XV or 3W station...

An up to date list with worked stations is available on MMMonVHF:
http://mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4125

SOURCE: DJ4TC direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 2359 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USER who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Frank, PA4EME, and Lins, PA3CMC,
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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490. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event station VX9MRC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-06 22:41:36 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F7F7100.6010106@rac.ca>
Source record: 3257
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Special Event station VX9MRC
2012-04-06

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Titanic disaster, the
Marconi Radio Club of Newfoundland will be transmitting a special
bulletin near 500 kHz, the distress frequency used by the radio
officers of the Titanic to send their CQD call to Cape, Race
Newfoundland. Please listen on 507.77 kHz CW for VX9MRC between 0001
and 0400 UTC on 15 April 2012. Please note this corresponds to
Saturday night, 14 April, for listeners in the western hemisphere. For
further information, please see the MRCN web page by searching for
VO1MRC on the internet.

Charles Marsh, VO1VZ
NL Section manager - Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

491. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 06:05:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1333778700@panix.com>
Source record: 3258
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

492. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1333779000@panix.com>
Source record: 3259
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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493. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 7 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 11:04:34 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73dad96104bd14bbd8@google.com>
Source record: 3260
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Titanic - GI100MGY and GI2012MGY

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_Stdk2XuOq4/titanic_gi100mgy_gi2012mgy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two special callsigns will be active from Belfast for the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the RMS Titanic

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Titanic Special Event station VX9MRC

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WIzQFIU6anc/titanic_special_event_station_vx9mrc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Titanic disaster, the Marconi Radio Club of Newfoundland will be transmitting a special bulletin near 500 kHz

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OT100MGY - Titanic special callsign

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0xu6vTe1vdQ/ot100mgy_titanic_special_callsign.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The special callsign of OT100MGY has been obtained by and will be operated by the Pajottenlandse Radio Amateurs, a division of VRA - Flemish Radio Amateurs

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Titanic anniversary: Wales honors radio operator

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3Qdmtwsk3R0/titanic_anniversary_wales_honors_radio_operator.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The San Francisco Chronicle reports on Artie Moore MNX who received the distress call from the Titanic

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TURKSAT-3USAT in the Press

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K2u_cm8M3V0/turksat_3usat_in_the_press.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Ankara-based Amateur Satellite Technology Association (TAMSAT) have received more press coverage for their new CubeSat TURKSAT-3USAT

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Chelmsford to hold Advanced Exam

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9G_BlY9ZfQg/chelmsford_advanced_exam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding an Advanced Amateur Radio Exam session for external candidates on Thursday, May 31

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GB8MD International Marconi Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z2M1kFn078w/gb8md.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Telford and District Amateur Radio Society will be running three stations for the 25th International Marconi Day on April 21st 2012

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SBSPectrum HF Dopplergram

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1NjuI49OTcg/sbspectrum_hf_dopplergram.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tony, K2MO has made available a Dopplergram video that graphically illustrates ionospheric Doppler which can have an effect on HF modem throughput

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Japanese Earth-Moon-Earth - Project Big Dish

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NzFHBdC6y_g/japanese_earth_moon_earth_project_big_dish.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A 2007 Japan-Broadcasting Corporation TV report about amateur radio Moonbounce (EME) operation has just been made available on YouTube

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Team Plan B - Lunar CubeSat Update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/slmxFy37cpY/team_plan_b.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Team 'Plan B' is a Vancouver based group of Canadian enthusiasts who aim to land a vehicle on the Moon

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/o2f0G3vMXA8/wca_0704.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mirko 9A7WA and Ivan 9A7DRI will be active on the 7th of April 2012 from several castles

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CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xSPKYYyV4W8/cq_manchester_mineira_dx_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest (CQMM DX Contest) is a continuation of the popular and successful Manchester Mineira All America CW Contest, being organized and established by the Group CWJF since 1993

494. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 5 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 15:11:33 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mark@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <jlplf4dio2@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3261
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"old timer" <me@invalid.net> wrote in
news:op.wcas4up3kkh61i@mac.local:

> On Thu, 05 Apr 2012 16:01:40 +0100, wrote:
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>>> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Nm2Qptf
>>> -1PI/rsgb_board_proceedings_for_february.htm?utm_source=fe
>>> edburner&utm_medium=email
>>>
>>> The RSGB Board Proceedings for February 2012 are now
>>> available. Among topics discussed are the Examination
>>> Software and interviews for the General Manager vacancy
>>> that has existed for the past 14 months
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>> Members only...keep up the good work.
> ^^
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> Surely you don't expect non RSGB members to have access
> to Board minutes?
> M own club does not share its minutes with the wider public
> (ie non members) so why should RSGB?
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I hope the idoits contiue there wild a ridiculaous ride.

495. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 7 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 16:13:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93409f33f62e504bd190d6a@google.com>
Source record: 3262
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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S79RR Mahe Island

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 07:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341298-S79RR-Mahe-Island&goto=newpost

DJ9RR will be active from Mahe Island , Seychelles Islands 15-23 May 2012
as S79RR

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...elles-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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TJ6RM Cameroon

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 12:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341209-TJ6RM-Cameroon&goto=newpost

OM3CGN will be active from Cameroon until 16 April 2012 as TJ6RM

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/tj6rm_cameroon/

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Titanic Event in Pigeon Forge TN - Apr 14, 15 2012 - callsign: W4S

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 11:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341197-Titanic-Event-in-Pigeon-Forge-TN-Apr-14-15-2012-callsign-W4S&goto=newpost

W4S on the air for the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic -
April 14 & 15 2012

The Amateur Radio Operators will be setting up on the 13th ,of April,
under the call of W4S, special event station, the time frame is from 8:00
am on the 14th to 5:00 pm on the 15th,Saturday and Sunday, on these two
days, for the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic, this will be
a international event to contact amateur radio stations all over the
world..TenTec will be furnishing us the new TenTec Eagle 599 to use for
this great event that will be the second time held here in the Great Smoky
Mountains of Tennessee. We will have a web-cam setup along with TV and
Radio coverage of this event, QST will also cover the event. We will be

setup at the rear of the attraction on Hwy 441 in Pigeon Forge TN, we are looking for amateurs who would like to operate and hope that everyone will attend and join in on the event. Frequencies to be used...3.950 & , 7.220 &, 14.265, 28.3500,21.350, and 24.940 of course do to other traffic that may be using the frequency may vary +/- some... If you are interested in operating the Titanic event 2011 April 14th & 15th please send a e mail to me at the e mail below.....vendors can also contact me at this e mail. titanic2012event@gmail.com More info please contact.. Rick Sr at the E Mail above.... Check out the link below to view this wonderful attraction.. http://www.titanicpigeonforge.com/ti...rge-webcam.php Sponsored locally by the Sevier County Emergency Radio Service ARES & RACES, TenTec Manufacturing, The 470 ARG and several more. We will be working ,Phone,CW and Digital Modes... All are welcome again, if you wish to bring equipment please let me know....we will have 5 tables, so will have room for more radio's, please contact me again if you intend to bring a radio or equipment for the event... I hope that we will see you there even if not operating, it still will be a lot of fun.. Ham operators pay tribute to the brave men who used a Marconi radio to signal for help when the mighty Titanic went down at sea on April 14th, 1912. Live demonstration from the Titanic Museum.

QSL Information & QSL Manager: Please send your QSL Card SASE to, N4JTQ, W4S Event, at 2005 Spence Mountain Loop, Sevierville,TN 37876 , 100% on all QSL's with a SASE, Please use a #10 envelope for your SASE....Certificate offered for 3.00 with a SASE 8x10 envelope..Any donations are welcome with your SASE for the support of this great event...Looking forward to working you. !!

http://www.w4sspecialevent2011.bravehost.com/

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Rick Sr N4JTQ

Posted for N4JTQ -Terry, K7FE

496. SARL News in English 7/4/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 16:36:46 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <BFEB4B11696547F7BABEB6E52B98CF34@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3263
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 8 APRIL 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY: SARL ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER NOT TO BE MISSED 3DA0FC SWAZILAND DX-PEDITION REGISTRATION FOR THE SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM OPEN MONDAY

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER NOT TO BE MISSED

The guest speaker at this year's SARL awards dinner is Dr Andrew Collier, Manager: Waves and Space Plasma Group at SANSA Space Sciences at the Hermanus Magnetic Observatory and senior lecturer at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. He will talk about South Africa's involvement in doing science in Antarctica. The presentation will be well illustrated with some breathtaking photographs and will be of interest to all. As Dr Collier said when accepting the invitation to speak at the dinner, "it will be light on science but heavy on pictures". Every person attending the dinner will take part in the lucky draw for a large number of prizes which include a dual band mobile transceiver, the Yaesu FTM-10R, sponsored by Verstay. The FTM-10R is compact and has a detachable waterproof and dustproof front operation panel, which supports all-weather outdoor activity in a manner never before possible. The detachable front panel may be separated from the main chassis and attached to a flat metal surface with the magnetic mounting bracket. The microphone and PTT button are built into the front panel. The SARL annual awards dinner is the culmination of the SARL National Convention. It all happens in Pinetown from 20 - 22 April. Register for the convention and dinner by visiting www.sarl.org.za and follow the link from the home page or call Mariska

at 011 675 2393.

3DA0FC SWAZILAND DX-PEDITION

Pierre, ZS6A, will be active as 3DA0FC at Hawane in KG53MS untill Monday evening 9 April 2012. He will monitor the ON4KST cluster for activity and to arrange skeds. Look for Pierre on 50,200 MHz in the mornings for meteor scatter or tropo QSOs, but from midday onwards he will be concentrating on TEP/F2 openings to Europe and elsewhere. He will operate on SSB, CW and WSJT modes.

NEW 50 MHz EME DIGITAL SARL DX RECORD

On 4 April 2012 Derek Gravette, ZS5Y, established a new 50 MHz EME record with Mike Staal, K6MYC, on the JT65a digital mode. JT65, developed and released in late 2003, is intended for extremely weak but slowly-varying signals, such as those found on tropo-scatter or earth-moon-earth paths. It can decode signals many decibels below the noise floor and can often allow amateurs to successfully exchange contact information without signals being audible to the human ear. JT65A is a "sub-mode" adapted for terrestrial HF communications. Congratulations to Derek and Mike

REGISTRATION FOR THE SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM OPEN MONDAY

Details of the SA AMSAT space symposium, which will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal on Saturday 12 May, are now available on www.amsatsa.org.za. The theme of the symposium is 50 years of amateur satellites celebrating the launch of OSCAR 1 fifty years ago. The programme features presentations covering a wide range of subjects including several presentations on KLETSkous, SA AMSAT's CubeSat covering the construction of the space frame, transponder and on board control and telemetry systems. Other presentations include satellite tracking and antenna control systems, lessons learned from SumbandilaSat and the CubeSat programme at CPUT of which the first satellite incorporating a 20 metre beacon which be launched soon, space activities at DUT and a presentation of how the SKA site is becoming a RF free zone and yet offering radio and TV services to people living in the area. Register now to benefit from the early bird registration fee. All the details are on www.amsatsa.org.za.

NO SQUARE KILOMETRE ARRAY (SKA) SITE DECISION

South Africans will have to wait till at least mid May before there it may be decided whether South Africa or Australia will be the country to host the SKA. Members of the SKA Organisation met in Amsterdam on 4 April for their first general meeting. They noted the SKA site selection advisory committee's report and associated commentary that had been passed to them by the SKA Organisation's board, which met last month in the UK. The members wished to move ahead with the site selection process and recognised that it is desirable to maintain an inclusive approach to the SKA. They noted that it is important to maximise the value from the investment made by both candidate regions.

A small scientific working group was set up to explore possible implementation options that would achieve this. The working group will report back in mid-May. At a recent media briefing the Minister of Science and Technology, Naledi Pandor, said sharing the SKA between Australia and South Africa was not an option. She said South Africa is ready to host the SKA. Commenting on the decision by the general meeting of the SKA organisation the minister said "I am disappointed at the delay. I hope that the SKA organisation will make a decision in the first half of 2012 and that the decision will reflect the best scientific outcome."

AMATEUR RADIO BOOKS AT THE SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

A range of amateur radio books will be on sale at the SARL National Convention, including the hardcover version of the 2012 ARRL Handbook and the hardcover version of the ARRL Antenna Book. You can order books now and pay online and take delivery at the national convention. Details of books available are on www.amateurradio.org.za. At the national convention payment will be by cash only, as no other facilities will be available.

DEATH OF ERNEST WILKINSON

We are sad to report that Ernest J. Wilkinson, inventor of the Wilkinson Combiner, died on March 10. His device, consisting of two 1/4 wave stubs and a resistor, has the ability to to combine two RF signals into one that has twice the power and when turned around it becomes a splitter dividing a signal into two equal parts. If you think about it, there is no other name that is used as often in the microwave industry. Read any microwave journal or go to any microwave conference and you will quickly lose track of how many times you hear Wilkinson's name.

CLUB NEWS

Kempton Park Amateur Radio Technical Society (K.A.R.T.S), ZS6KTS, held its annual general meeting on 10 March 2012 at the Impala Voortrekker Hall, Rooibos Avenue, Allen Grove, Kempton Park. At this meeting the following office bearers were elected: Chairman: Nico van Rensburg - ZS6QL Vice Chairman: Renier Burger - ZS6HOT Secretary: Corrie De Beer - ZS6CDB Treasurer: Barry Els - ZS6OY Ordinary Members: Celeste Searle - ZS6CNS

Clive Reeks - ZS6BT

Vivian Dold - ZS6VD (Technical Officer)

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Currently only small, stable sunspots are facing the earth. If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 54. All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings

with 10 m not far behind. Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

9 April - Registration for the SA AMSAT space symposium opens. 6-9 April - Western Cape Antique Wireless Association Ekspo near Stanford, contact John, ZS1WJ, on 082 673 5337 for more information. 20 - 22 April SARL Convention in Pinetown. 12 May - SA AMSAT space symposium, visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and registration.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Fritz, ZS6SF.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

497. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 5 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 19:22:37 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <8f178a79-2e26-4130-bf8f-a8728963d5e9@l7g2000vbw.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3264
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Apr 7, 11:11 am, Mark Morgan <m...@nomail.invalid> wrote:
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498. eHam.net News for Saturday 7 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-07 22:30:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a12919697204bd1e5118@google.com>
Source record: 3265
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Group Establishes Traffic Assistance Centers:

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28057

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO - The Society of Communicators' and Networkers (Scan) Pampanga chapter established traffic assistance centers in different entry and exit points in the province, to help both private and public motorists who are returning for a week-long vacation. Scan is an amateur ham radio group that aims to provide alternative source of information through two radios handled by its members nationwide, particularly in Pampanga.

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New York City's Mayor Is A Geek At Heart:

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28056

Did you know Mayor Michael Bloomberg has an engineering degree and built a ham radio as a child? The mayor talks about his passion for science and how it shapes the way he thinks. He also discusses plans for an applied sciences campus in New York and potential spin-offs from the project. FLATOW: I heard somewhere that you build a ham radio as a child. BLOOMBERG: I was a ham radio operator, yeah. FLATOW: What was your call letters, do you remember? BLOOMBERG: I don't remember, just don't remember. My Morse code, I was OK with the code, but I can't spell and for Morse code that's a big problem.

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Ham Radio Now -- Episode 8:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28055

PRB-1 provides substantial, if not complete, relief from unreasonable restrictions on ham radio antennas... from the government, but not from your friendly, neighborhood homeowner's association. Their rules, often called CC&R's (Codes, Covenants and Restrictions) are a private contract between them and you, and PRB-1 doesn't cover them. If you don't like it, don't buy the house. Your wife doesn't want to live 60 miles out of town just so you can find a house where you can put up an antenna? Tough beans.

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Houston County to Launch Online Emergency Operations Center:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28053

A day after the tornadoes in Texas, Houston County Emergency Management leaders said they're about to be more prepared than ever before for disasters. On July 1st, they will launch a web-based emergency operations center, or Web EOC, with a goal of helping people faster. Outside the EMA center on Wednesday, Clyde Mathe and his club of amateur radio operators said practice makes perfect. He said, "We're testing here today." They were tinkering with technology that helps emergency management during disasters. Radio operator Gene Willis said, "If we have a problem somewhere this trailer can go up anywhere." They spot storms and report information to the 911 center, which has managed response the old-fashioned way.

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Wales Remembers Radio Amateur Who Monitored, Reported Titanic Distress Call

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28052

LONDON -- As the Titanic was sinking in the North Atlantic, its more than 2,000 passengers and crew scrambling in the dark for lifeboats, a young man far away in Wales heard the ship's distress calls on his homemade radio. Arthur "Artie" Moore, one of the few people on Earth following the developing disaster, could do nothing to help, and encountered disbelief when he reported the news to his local police station. .Although some people believed that Moore had heard the signals, "the fact that the Titanic had sunk, no one would believe that because the Titanic was unsinkable," said Stuart Instone, a member of a local radio club based in the old mill where Moore monitored radio traffic as the ship sank on the night of April 14-15, 1912.

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Titanic Anniversary: How Radio Ham Artie Moore Heard SOS:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28051

Titanic Anniversary: How Radio Ham Artie Moore Heard SOS:

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Hams Moving Up in Communications World?

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28050

It appears hams are finally going to get some respect. The FCC is considering formally including the amateur radio service in its emergency communications planning. Amateur radio operators have a history of helping those in need when other forms of communications are down. Two recent examples, according to the American Radio Relay League, are hams providing storm observations and damage reports to the National Weather Service when

tornados moved through Arkansas and Alabama in January and providing communications to Alaskan villages along the Bering Sea when a November 2011 severe winter storm knocked out power lines and communications.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #14:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28049

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by N7UN, NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #14 de K7RA:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28048

Over the past week the average daily sunspot number and solar flux values rose slightly, even though for both daily values, as the week progressed each day had a lower number than the day before. The daily sunspot number began the week at a high of 100 and ended at 60. Likewise, the daily solar flux started at 111.5 and the week ended with 102.1.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28047

This Week in Radiosport:

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FCC Seeks Public Comments on Emergency Communications by Amateur Radio:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28046

In response to the Congressional directive to prepare a study to assess Amateur Radio's role in emergency and disaster communications and the impact of private land use regulations on the Amateur community's ability to provide such communications, the FCC issued DA 12-523 soliciting comments from the public. The period for public comment runs until May 17, 2012.

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ARRL Seeks Comments on Proposed 33 cm Band Plan:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28045

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz-3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received.

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ARRL PR Committee to Host Field Day Webinar:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28044

The ARRL Public Relations Committee will be holding a free webinar entitled Field Day Press Release on Thursday, April 12 at 9 PM (EDT). This webinar is geared for those who want to learn the easiest -- and most effective -- ways to write up a media release for Field Day and actually get it noticed by the media in your home region.

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Google Declares 'Morse Code is Perfect' with New Gmail Tap Mail Program:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28043

On April 1 (yes, April Fools' Day), Google announced that it has unveiled a new way to use its popular Gmail e-mail system. Called Gmail Tap, it uses dots and dashes to form letters, a system of communicating that should be very familiar to radio amateurs. "Morse code is perfect," said Gmail Tap Engineer Mitch Fedenko. "It's just a dot and a dash. What's simpler than that?"

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Stephen Klinefelter Takes Over as New Army MARS Chief:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28042

On April 2, US Army Colonel (retired) Stephen G. Klinefelter -- a senior staff officer who oversees Army MARS operations for the US Army Network Enterprise Technology Command -- announced that he was assuming the post of Chief of Army MARS, effective immediately. Klinefelter, 61, took the leading role last December in untangling a Pentagon decision to "phase out" the Army MARS Winlink 2000 messaging system, used by numerous state and municipal emergency management organizations; an investigation showed it lacked required certification for safety from hostile incursions. He successfully argued that the resources of Amateur Radio -- not just MARS or Winlink -- far outweighed any risk from enemy hackers.

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Fred Maia, W5YI (SK):

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28041

The holder of one of the best-known US Amateur Radio call signs, Frederick "Fred" Maia, W5YI, of Arlington, Texas, died of cancer on March 28. He was 76. Maia was a leading Amateur Radio journalist for nearly 35 years and a pioneer of the Volunteer Examiner program adopted by the FCC in 1984, and was the first Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) appointed by the FCC.

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W1AW Claims 5BDXCC:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28040

Nearly four decades after the introduction of the Five Band DXCC Award (5BDXCC), W1AW, >, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station has achieved this milestone. "As with most stations, we found that 80 meters was our stumbling block," W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, explained.

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ARRL Rookie Roundup's Third Year Includes New Categories:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28039

With the Rookie Roundup beginning its third year of competition, 2012 brings some new changes in the event -- including new entry categories. The first Rookie Roundup of 2012 will use SSB (phone) and will be held on Sunday, April 15 from 1800-2359 UTC. All amateurs are welcome to participate, especially those in DX locations.

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ARRL in Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:53 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28038

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of March -- takes a look at upcoming ARRL member benefits, new privileges for radio amateurs on 60 meters, forthcoming ARRL publications, happenings at W1AW, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more.

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Be Ready for Field Day in Official Field Day Gear from the ARRL:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:53 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28037

You've spent all year preparing for ARRL Field Day
> , but there are still a few things you're
missing: The official 2012 Field Day shirt, hat, pin and logbook! ARRL Field Day -- Amateur Radio's largest on-the-air operating event -- is just a little more than two months away, so be sure to get your gear

before supplies run out.

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Two Positions Open at ARRL HQ:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28036

The League is currently looking to fill two open positions at ARRL
Headquarters in Newington.

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New QuickStats Polls Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:50 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28035

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page on
the ARRL website. Let your voice be
heard!

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ARNewsline Report 1808 -- Apr 6 2012:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:50 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28034

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC issues a Notice of Inquiry on ham radios
role in emergency communications and the way land use restrictions may be
impeding this vital public service while the ARRL asks you to assist it in
responding to the FCC on this matter. Also, Canada issues its first 60
meter developmental license; a Kansas ham survives a lightning strike and
friends pay homage to the ham who loved Morse but is credited with bringing
code free licensing to the United States. All this and more on Amateur
Radio Newsline report number 1808 coming your way right now.

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NZ4O MF RX Prop Fcst 2012-15:

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28033

The NZ4O MF (300-3000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-15 has been
published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 06, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday
April 07, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 13, 2012.

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RepeaterLink is Back Online!

Posted: 05 Apr 2012 04:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28031

For those of you that remember repeaterlink.org, I have
been able to bring it back online under the new domain which caused me to
shutdown the site to begin with. Also

during that time I lost all the data stored on site. Though this gives us an opportunity to update the site with the most current information of linked repeater systems around.

499. yaesu vx-8r factory setup mode

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 02:49:58 UTC
From: davidmylastname@acm.org
Message-ID: <jlqucm$256$1@frotz.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 3266

Does anyone here know how to get into the Yaesu VX-8r into factory setup
mode?

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David Griffith
davidmylastname@acm.org <--- Put my last name where it belongs

500. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 8 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 06:21:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93409f370455404bd24e525@google.com>
Source record: 3267
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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C.A.T.S. Tial-Gate Party!!

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 07:02 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341297-C-A-T-S-Tial-Gate-Party!!&goto=newpost

You are invited to the annual Clarksville Amateur Transmitting Society (C.A.T.S.) Tail-Gate party on May 5th, 2012. It will be located at 250 Old Farmers Road, Clarksville, TN 37043. The Hilldale Baptist Church Family Life Center's picnic pavilion from 0800 to 3:00 P.M. Free food, free tables, free electricity, spaces for those with tailgates. Representatives from The TN Baptist Disaster Relief Communications, and The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will have displays. This is an ARRL sanctioned gathering. I can't call it a hamfest because we are keeping it informal and free. There will be drawings for door prizes without the door!! No charge for tickets!!

Talk in frequency: 147.39 Tone: 123.0 Station call: KF4L.

We receive donations for Camp Rainbow (summer camp for children with MS) each year.

For more information call me at 931-216-2503 or contact me through our club website: www.kf4l.org

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John Freed

KX6F

Club President

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Warrensburg, Missouri Hamfest

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 05:20 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341159-Warrensburg-Missouri-Hamfest&goto=newpost

WARRENSBURG, MISSOURI -- The Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual Hamfest Saturday, July 14th, 8am-1pm at the Y.E.S. (Youth Excited about Sports) center at 130 SW Hwy 13. Activities include forums, VE testing, flea market, door prizes. Contact Sherri, KDØCAT, (660) 441-3998; e-mail: ; Talk in 146.880- Tone 107.2

501. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 8 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 11:06:16 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303bfb24dc83a504bd28dfb4@google.com>
Source record: 3268
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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City proclaims Space Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dMvCPcJ17cQ/city_proclaims_space_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The City of Jurupa Valley will declare the week of April 15-21 'Space Week'
at their April 19, 2012 regular city council meeting. Students at Flabob
Airport's aviation school will be conducting an ARISS ham radio
conversation with an astronaut aboard the International Space Station that
week

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ESPN employees create the Worldwide Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_U_QtfwDeJo/worldwide_amateur_radio_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Current and former employees of the Entertainment and Sports Network,
better known as ESPN, have formed the Worldwide Amateur Radio Club

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Registration for SA AMSAT Space Symposium opens Monday

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7xejBzJ5kJk/sa_amsat_space_symposium.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Details of the SA AMSAT Space Symposium, which will be held at the
University of KwaZulu-Natal on Saturday 12 May, are now available

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No Square Kilometre Array (SKA) site decision

Posted:
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South Africans will have to wait till at least mid May before it may be
decided whether South Africa or Australia will be the country to host the
SKA

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Wireless Institute of Australia Annual Conference

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The Wireless Institute's Annual Conference is coming up fast. It's now next month instead of sometime in the future

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NZ4O HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C8z_-YG3KT0/hf_6m_propagation_forecast_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-15 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 06, 2012

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QuOrzBPNavc/april_08.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Currently only small, stable sunspots are facing the earth

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Live video stream from Memphis FreeFest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/azrztTAFqRE/live_video_stream_from_memphis_freefest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, known for his live webcasts from the Dayton Hamvention and Huntsville Hamfest will also broadcast from the Memphis FreeFest on Saturday, April 14 between 0900-1500 CDT (UTC-5)

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Ham radio operator needed in Canberra

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pICKf9v07OQ/ham_radio_operator_needed_in_canberra.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob, WB4APR noted a need for an Australian Amateur Astronomer and HAM operator in Canberra on 4-6 June 2012

502. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 8 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 16:06:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403c78cc81b04bd2d10e0@google.com>
Source record: 3269
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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City proclaims Space Week

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 12:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341343-City-proclaims-Space-Week&goto=newpost

City proclaims Space Week

The City of Jurupa Valley will declare the week of April 15-21 'Space Week'
at their April 19, 2012 regular city council meeting.

Students at Flabob Airport's aviation school will be conducting an ARISS
ham radio conversation with an astronaut aboard the International Space
Station that week.

"I am so excited to participate in the radio communications with the Space
Station," declared mayor Laura Roughton. "I would like to have the students
who are participating in the event come to the council meeting and be
recognized, as well as Flabob's Kathy Rohm."

The city proclamation acknowledges that space technology is used in the
solution and resolution of problems of regional, national, and global
significance and the applications of space research are used for economic,
social, and cultural development - and also specifically cites the efforts
of the students at The Tom Wathen Center's Flabob Airport Preparatory
Academy, who have spent months learning about space exploration while
preparing for their amateur radio contact with the ISS.

More information on the Flabob project may be found on their Web site at -
http://www.iss-flabob.com

This city council meeting will be held at 7PM on April 19, 2012, at the
Jurupa Unified School District Board Chambers located at 4850 Pedley Road,
Jurupa Valley, CA 92509. The city's Web site is -
http://www.jurupavalley.org

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NZ4O HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-15

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 07:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341306-NZ4O-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-15&goto=newpost

The NZ4O HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-15 has been published at

0000 UTC on Friday April 06, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday

April 07, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 13, 2012. It can be found at

http://www.solarcycle24.org and http://www.wcflunatall.com/swprop.htm .

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When you least expect it--Your radio CAN help!

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 01:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341276-When-you-least-expect-it-Your-radio-CAN-help!&goto=newpost

Dateline Baja 03:15 UTC ..Okay, I just always wanted to say that!

What follows is not much of a story□it was simply HAMs helping fellow HAMs□and reminds me why I keep the radio turned on.

It's Friday night and I□m working at my computer in the motor home here in Playas de Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico□the grandkids are here raiding my potato chips and M&M stash (I need a better hiding place)□even with all that QRM in the background I am able to hear a scratchy call on the PARC repeater (147.730) across the border in San Diego County.

It went something like this: This is KJ6KPR..... I need someone to make a call to my propane company as we are up here at Mount Laguna and are out of gas for heating, and it□s freezing up here.

There were a couple of come backs one from N6KI a PARC member who was mobile at the time and a couple of others tried to copy the message to be relayed a couple of times□in any case, I chimed in as well□said I had copied all but wanted a verification on his location which was at: □ the Shriners□ camp --approximately 6000 feet up, near Mount Laguna.

I called the propane company on my VOIP line from here in the Baja and got a night-time answering service; Tracy was at the other end of the line; I explained to him Steve's (KJ6KPR□s) predicament and that I was relaying this message to him via HAM radio. He responded with the usual surprise "Really??" Yes, we are still around and doing what HAMs have always done□helping out when help is needed. Tracy, the night phone OP, said he would have the company call me within 30 min....and I relayed that back to Steve (KJ6KPR).

Of course, by now you are asking yourself WHY he didn□t just call on the phone, himself, RIGHT? Up there at the camp there is no public phone and no land line available at that time of the evening, and his cell phone had no signal up there either. But□he DID have his HT that did, with a marginal signal, get in to the Palomar Amateur Radio Club repeater.

How cold was it, you might be wondering as you sit in your warm home?

@ 03:15 UTC 44.0 °F 42.0 °F -1.0 °F -100.00in ENE 4.0mph 7.0mph 15%

I get a call back from Kamps Propane. Rick was on the phone; he wanted to know if Steve (KJ6KPR) had an account and the usual info. He said he would call me back after he consulted his files. A short time later the VOIP line rang again and Rick, the propane guy, was unable to locate Steve's (KJ6KPR) account. So another relay or two or three from me on the phone with Rick and on two meters with Steve ensued. Finally Rick said he would head up the hill to replenish Steve□s propane gas.

AT 5:03 UTC Steve (KJ6KPR) calls me (his signal still marginal on the repeater) and reports happily that Rick, the propane guy, arrived and was in the process of filling his tank. He thanked me and all those on the repeater who tried to help out.

Tom KI6IET□a PARC member, also made contact with the night service, but got cut off.

Thanks to Steve□s (KJ6KPR□s) new HAM radio license and radio, he was able to help himself and his family late on a cold evening□one that would shortly turn into a truly frigid night.

73,

Dave XE2/KE6ENI

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RT Systems Radio Programming Software now Worldwide Repeater Directory Enabled!

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 01:21 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341216-RT-Systems-Radio-Programming-Software-now-Worldwide-Repeater-Directory-Enabled!&goto=newpost

Friday, April 6, 2012

Press Release

RT Systems, Inc.

RFinder □ The Worldwide Repeater Directory

RFinder, the World Wide Repeater Directory, and RT Systems are pleased to announce the integration of RT Systems□ suite of programs with the World Wide Repeater Directory!

This monumental event signifies a breakthrough in programmability for Amateur radios that cover VHF and above. RT Systems□ programs now have an easy user interface to query RFinder□s World Wide Repeater Directory without the tedious process of manually entering the repeater data.

Users do not need to know the latitude and longitude - simply query a place, such as □Eiffel Tower□, □Sydney Opera House□ or choose other worldwide locations from the exotic to just around the corner. Within

seconds the system returns repeaters within the specified radius (up to 90 miles). Then, with just two mouse clicks, the data is transformed by the RT Systems program into a file ready for your specific radio. (Software for your specific radio is required).

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RT Systems is very excited about the release of this new feature: ☐The ability to get repeater data from the Worldwide Repeater Directory has a great impact on the Amateur community. You have all this data right at your fingertips - anytime, anywhere. Whether you☐re just visiting or on a DX-pedition, as long as you have internet access you☐ve got fresh and accurate data.☐

The World Wide Repeater Directory is constantly updated by the Amateur community, making it the most complete and accurate repeater directory in the world.

The RT Systems and RFinder teams are both very thrilled to bring this capability to the Amateur community! An annual subscription to the World Wide Repeater Directory is only $9.99 a fraction of the annual cost of competitive data sources.

For more information about the radio programing software with the new RFinder Web Service feature visit, www.RTSystemsInc.com.

You can also access the world repeater directory from http://www.rfinder.net, Smart phones and tablets. RFinder can be found in the Android Market (Google Play) and shortly in the Apple App Store for running on iPhones, iPads and iPods. It is also currently under development for Windows Phone and Symbian Smartphones.

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Ham Radio Now Episode 8: FCC 'Impediments' Inquiry (Relief from CC&R's?)

Posted: 06 Apr 2012 07:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341165-Ham-Radio-Now-Episode-8-FCC-Impediments-Inquiry-(Relief-from-CC-amp-R-s-)&goto=newpost

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Ham Radio Now.tv

EPISODE 8: FCC 'Impediments' Inquiry

(Relief from CC&R's?)

The FCC has issued a Public Notice, asking hams and our served agencies about the stuff that keeps us from doing our job in emergency communications... especially CC&R's. They want to hear from you! The ARRL's Dave Sumner K1ZZ helps Gary figure it out.

Watch this episode on the HamRadioNow.tv web site

Attached Images

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503. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 8 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 16:24:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5299be38af33104bd2d52d0@google.com>
Source record: 3270
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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GB8MD International Marconi Day April 21th 2012

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 10:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341326-GB8MD-International-Marconi-Day-April-21th-2012&goto=newpost

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society will be running three stations for
the 25th International Marconi Day on April 21st 2012.

Our aim is to beat last year's record of 470 contacts in 34 different
countries in ssb and cw.

Qsl is via buro or direct.

Please visit qrz.com http://www.qrz.com/callsign/GB8MD for more information
including a 20 minute video of last year's event.

Cheers

Paul

m0pnn

504. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 8th April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120408200003.A78A333C98@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3271
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 8th April 2012

IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

Time is ticking fast for the imminent 80th Anniversary IRTS AGM and Rally. Less than two weeks remain from now. As you can appreciate this is a very special anniversary and you are asked to make all reasonable efforts to attend. Dinner tickets are just 32, a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. The Venue is Fairways Hotel Dundalk, telephone 042-9321500. The radio rally and exhibition will be held in the large conference hall with lots of space to move about and to peruse at your leisure. It all happens over the weekend of April 21st & 22nd.

Dinner tickets should be bought now by contacting Thos EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member. A very warm welcome awaits you.

Counties Contest

A brief reminder that the 2 metres counties contest takes place tomorrow, Easter Monday. It runs from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm local time and uses both FM and SSB; the same station may be worked on both modes. The multipliers are the 32 EI and GI counties.

Note that there is a special QSY rule in this contest. After any QSO in which you are called by another station, you must QSY to another channel (FM), or by at least 3 kHz (SSB), before soliciting another QSO, so the station calling CQ or QRZ must QSY once a contact has been made, while the station answering the CQ or QRZ has the frequency for one more contact.

Please support this contest, either from home or from the hills. It's a good opportunity to work rare counties and touch base with old friends!

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive. As you may know, Marconi Day is on 21st April this year and we will be operating over the full 24 hour period on this day in order that collectors of the Marconi Award will have the opportunity to add us to their list. Mizen Head is a beautiful location and well worth a visit.

The North Cork Radio Group are also pleased to announce confirmation of their annual rally, to be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork. Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free, as per usual). Raffle tickets will also be available at the door. The usual traders will be present, and anyone wishing to reserve a table, or would be interested in setting up a stall, should contact Edwin Van Mierlo (EI2HEB) on 086 3885741 or via email at ei2heb/at/ei1nc.com. More details will be available in the coming months.

Based on the success of our previous rallies, we wish to confirm that all our future rallies will be held each year in September for the foreseeable years. This date will usually be on the Sunday between the GAA All Ireland Hurling and Football finals. All details concerning venue, times etc will be confirmed closer to these dates."

Gi2012MGY

A special event station located in Belfast from onboard the SS Nomadic - Titanics 'Little Sister'.

To mark the Centenery of the sinking of the Titanic, City of Belfast Radio Amateur Society (CoBRAS) will be QRV on most HF bands, CW and SSB, from onboard 'the Nomadic' from 12th - 18th April. The SS Nomadic is the only remaining historic link to the Titanic left afloat, and she is also the last surviving White Star Line vessel in the world. Like Titanic herself she was built at the shipyards of Harland and Wolff in Belfast,and served as a tender to the Olympic and Titanic. She is curently undergoing restoration work in the docks where she was built, adjacent to the new Titanic Belfast visitor attraction.

International interest in all things 'MGY' is reaching extraordinary levels - and the extremely rare Gi2012 prefix is sure to add extra interest from WPX hunters. CoBRAS members look forward to working many EI stations during the week of activity from onboard this unique ship.

Further information and QSL details can be found under Gi2012MGY at QRZ.com

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Worked All Ireland Squares Afloat on Easter Monday, 9 April

Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club will be voyaging afloat on Easter Monday evening and hopes to activate Worked All Ireland Squares -H32, H33 and

H23.

All are in County Fermanagh and include the waters of Upper Lough Erne near the SHARE Centre.

Using the Full (Club) License call sign Gi0LEC - Lough Erne Club - the station will be on SHARE's waterbus, the Inishcruiser, and active from about 5.00 pm (after the 2m counties contest) until 7.00 pm or after on the 40m WAI Frequency 7.170 MHz.

Many thanks from Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club to the 300 involved in last Sunday's Rally at SHARE -visitors, club members helping, folk there to trade or display, and friends.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will operate as EI2WRC for the IRTS 2 metres Counties Contest on the bank holiday Monday (9 April) from Devils Bit. Members wishing to get involved should contact the club at; info/at/searg.com.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society

The AGM of Dundalk Amateur Radio Society was held Wednesday 4th April 2012. The following officers have been appointed.

President-Tom, EI9CJ Chairman- Thos, EI2JD Secretary-Aidan, EI7JC Treasurer- Jim, EI2HJB PRO-Anthony, EI2KC

V51VHF

Thanks to the cooperation from Italian and Hungarian OM and the helpfulness of Pieter V51PJ, we have now 2 new beacons on air from Namibia for TEP observations. They are 24h a day qrv from JG82IE

Callsign V51VHF

70.005 CW - 35 Watt - 6el DK7ZB beam N 71.430 CW - ? Watt - 10el. DK7ZB beam N

Lighthouse Weekend

PA3CNI and PA3AAF will participate the lighthouse weekend, 18 and 19 august 2012, from the former lighthouse Old Kraggenburg (NL0010) in the Netherlands. This lighthouse was in use till the Zuidersea became a polder (1942), now it is a coaching center (http://www.debron.nu) Activities will be on HF in CW/SSB. Qsl via buro.

Comoros DXpedition

A few more details on the upcoming D64K DXpedition were released this past week by Frabrizio, IW3SQY. A team of Europeon operators will be active as D64K from Comoros Islands (IOTA AF-007) in August 2012.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

505. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1057

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 22:09:06 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <181685.7675.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3272
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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1057

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April 9, 2012
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Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)
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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, KH2AR/W4, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, N7UN, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F5PHW, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3TXF, GI8SKN, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, JS6RRR, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, PY2YP, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal, and VE1AL for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-April, through Sunday, 8th-April there were 27 countries active. Countries available: 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9N, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1ST CANADIAN LICENSE FOR 60M. Industry Canada issued its first license on the new 60 meter developmental band, VX9GHD to VE3FI Russ Hemphill on April 4th. Canadians have been waiting for 3 years for this new

opportunity to join the USA and Britain. This band is badly needed for Emergency Communications when conditions on 40 and 80 are not suitable for transmitting or receiving traffic. This license is for one year then it will be open to all Canadian amateurs using their own callsign.

9M0, SPRATLY (Reminder). Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) and the 9M4SDX Team will be active this week as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Layang Island (Swallow Reefs - AS-051) near Sabah, East Malaysia, between April 10-24th. The current team consists of Tex-san/9M2TO (Project Coordinator), Neoh/9M2CLN (Team Leader Malaysia), Tack-san/JE1CKA (Team Leader Japan), Hajime/7K4QOK, Takuto/9M2/JE1SCJ, David/9M2PX, Yasuma/9M8YY, Nigel/G3TXF, Joe/JA1LZR, Miyama/JE1KUC, Naoyuki/JK1FNL, Hiroyuki/JP1TRJ and Yutaka/JQ2GYU. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will try to have as many RTTY QSOs with NA/SA as much as possible. The team will have 4 stations using Spider Beams and a Layang Special. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1811, 3511, 7011, 10121, 14011, 18071, 21011, 24891 and 28011 kHz
SSB - 3791, 7081, 14160, 18130, 21275, 24940 and 28405 kHz
RTTY - 3521, 7031, 10141, 14081, 18101, 21081, 24921 and 28081 kHz
6m - 50101/CW and 50110/SSB
Special Notes:
1. All frequencies are 9M0L transmitting frequency. They will announce listening Frequency when QRV.
2. 80m RTTY: They will listen 3590 and up for EU.
3. 40m SSB: They will announce listen up 7100 for US.

QSL direct to 9M2TO: 9M0L TEAM PENANG, PO BOX 125 GPO 10710, Penang Island, MALAYSIA or by the Bureau to Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter's Society (MARTS). A Web page is up an running at: http://9m0l.legendchew.com

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). By the time you read this, operators Graeme/VK4FI and Alan/VK4WR will be active as E51GMH and E51BKM, respectively from the South Cook Islands between April 8-27th. Graeme informs OPDX that they will activate Rarotonga Island (OC-013) and Aitutaki Island (OC-083). Their main band of interest is 6 meters, and for the HF bands, 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters. They will use an IC-706 and an FT-450 into a 5 element Yagi for 6m and a OCF Dipole. Modes will be CW and SSB only, no amplifiers - 100 watts only. QSLs go to VK4FI (see QRZ.com info - 2 USDs for postage).

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). The E51M DXpedition team, which will be going QRT - probably as you are read this, will be active as E51EWP from Rarotonga, South Cook Islands, again between April 11-14th. Activity will be on all bands including 60m, using CW, SSB, but with an emphasis on RTTY because there is a high demand for RTTY. QSL via DJ8NK, direct or by the Bureau. Online QSL Requests Service (OQRS) for the Bureau and direct cards can be made after April 20th. For more details, see the E51M Web page at: http://www.manihiki2012.de

GI2012, NORTHERN IRELAND. Look for special event station GI2012MGY to be active between April 12-18th. Operations will be in Belfast from onboard

the SS Nomadic - Titanic's 'Little Sister'. To mark the Centenery of the sinking of the Titanic, the City of Belfast Radio Amateur Society will be active on most HF bands using CW and SSB. The SS Nomadic is the only remaining historic link to the Titanic left afloat, and she is also the last surviving White Star Line vessel in the world. Like Titanic herself, she was built at the shipyards of Harland and Wolff in Belfast, Northern Ireland,and served as a tender to the Olympic and Titanic. Please see GI2012MGY on QRZ.com for QSL details and further info.

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island (EU-013) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to GJ3DVC.

HH8, HAITI. Amadeo, EA3OW, is now active as HH8/EA3OW, from Jacmel in Southern Haiti until May 12th. Activity will be limited and during his free time because of his work. Operations will be on 40-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and other Digital modes. His equipment is a Kenwood TS-480sat and dipole antenna. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Visit his Web page at: http://ea3ow.wordpress.com

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-079. Operators Takeshi "TAKE"/JS6RRR and Fusao "FUSA"/JA5DUR/JS6 will be active from Miyako Island (Okinawa) between 0900z, April 26th and 0000a, May 7th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters (including 30/17/12m) using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. In case of heavy rain or other conditions, the operation may vary. QSL JA5DUR/JS6 via JA5DUR and JS6RRR via JS6RRR. The Bureau is the best. Please check QRZ.com for detail.

AS-109. (CANCELLED) It was announced that the RT9K/P DXpedition was cancelled because the temperature in Nadym was over 0 deg C and the snow is melting. The next few week's forecast also predicts higher temperatures which will weaken the ice for the snowmobile and tricky for a boat to navigate. The team has returned home to find a different method of transportation.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 9-15th)....
Apr/09th AN Apr/12th AN Apr/14th HN
Apr/10th AN Apr/13th HN-LN Apr/15th AN
Apr/11th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Philip/KT3Y, Fred/K9VV and Tine/S50A will be active as KP2M from the Radio Reef Contest Station (KP2M), St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Island (NA-106), during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via AI4U and LoTW. Look for the operators to be active outside of the contest between May 23-29th. For more details about the KP2M station, see: http://www.radioreef.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 5th)

4KS0NG via RU3SD DF60JFA via DJ1TO LZ1437MGS via LZ1KCP
4O8A via S50A DP0GVN via DL5EBE N3C via W3DQ
9A203XM via 9A3XM EA8/DL3ASM via DL3ASM OR100MGY via ON6KNH
9M2/R6AF/P via R6AF EM100N via UT8NT OZ/DF9TM via DF9TM
A35XG via JA1XGI F8ATS/6W via F8ATS PH100MGY via PA3CAL
C91KHN via ZS6ALB FK8GX via W3HNK SV1OAA/8 via SV1OAA
CO6YAC via KJ4QHL FO8WBB via N6JA T88RA via JH1RMH
CT8/DL1CW via DL1CW GB1OOC via MW0DHF V44KAI via W5TFW
CT8/DL5AXX via DL5AXX GB4T via M0DOL VP9HE via W2AF
CT8/K0RUI via K0RUI KP4EIT via EA5GL XV3W via F6BUM
YR10XF via YO4KAK

HK0NA QSL UPDATE. It was announced on April 5th [edited]: "The HK0NA QSLs have been designed and the order has gone to the printer. We estimate that the HK0NA QSL card processing should start sometime in May-June, 2012. We are currently busy opening mail, and pre-processing the log for future label printing. PLEASE understand that this will be an enormous enterprise and will take time to process. QSL cards will not be mailed all at one time. We are pre-processing direct OQRS request first. Direct mail will be next." Updates will be posted on the SJDXA's Web page at: http://www.sjdxa.org/hk0na.htm

QSL MANAGER CHANGE. Phil, F5PHW, reports that QSLs for FO8RZ and FO8RZ/P can now be sent to F5PHW direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. If you have already sent a QSL to F8BPN, don't send it again, you will receive your QSL soon. Phil sends a big thanks to Mauricette, F8BPN, for the very good QSL managing job she did. F5PHW's address is on QRZ.com or send it to: Phil BERGER, 14 rue du 4 eme bataillon FFI, 56690 NOSTANG, FRANCE. All info about FO8RZ is on: http://f5phw.hamlogs.net/?lng=en

QSL STATUS VP6T, ETC... Nigel, G3TXF, reports that during the past two weeks some 3,000 direct QSL requests have been replied to for VP6T (and ZD7XF). As of April 2nd, they are completely up-to-date. Take a look at: http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/VP6T-QSLing/VP6T-QSL.html

ST. PETER & ST. PAUL ROCKS LOGS (Update). Cesar, PY2YP, continues to obtain logs for St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks DXpeditions from the operators and uploads them into LoTW. He mentions this week that thanks to Joaquim, PS7JN (now PS8JN), he was able to receive the following logs:
ZY0SAT - Mar. 31st-Apr. 14th, 2001 ZW0S - Dec. 3-18th, 2003
ZY0SAT - Feb. 24th-Mar. 11th, 2002 PS0S/PS7JN - Nov. 25th-Dec. 10th, 2004
ZW0S - Apr. 6-18th, 2003 PS0S/PS7JN - Sep. 7-22nd, 2005
ZW0S - Sep. 2-17th, 2003 PS0S/PS7JN - Jan. 20th-Feb. 2nd, 2004

The logs are in spreadsheet and will take some time to convert them to ADIF format. He hopes to upload the logs to the LoTW later this week. In addition, he also received paper logs from 1982 and 1991 operations. The logs are large and will take a lot of time to type. Watch the following Web page for updates: http://www.py2yp.com
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Cesar reported on April 5th, "The ZY0SAT, ZW0S and PY0S/PS7JN logs are now in the LoTW. Log search is available at <www.py2yp.com/spsprocks>. The satellite QSOs from ZY0SAT log are still pending for upload. This completes the 'on the rocks project' first step: gathering and uploading logs. Now I will work on the paper logs as is in the web page and keep trying to have 2 more logs: 1978 and 1987 operations."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2YA, 3XY1D, 5B4AJC, 5V7CC, 7Z7AA, 8P5A, A25JR, A25KW, CO2WF, CQ9T, CR3A, CT1ETX, CT3/DJ0IR, CW5W, EA1PO, EA3IN, ED3X, EE7T, FM5CD, HB9CVQ, HK3R, HR5/W9GL, II9T, IU9T, IR2C, JA0FVU, JA6LCJ, LA6YEA, OE3K, OJ0X, OM3M, OM5M, OQ5M, OZ1TMK, P33W, P40W, P49Y, PJ4/W9NJY, PR5B, PY3VK, PY0S/PS7JN, PZ5P, R3LA, RA3PCI, RA/KE5JA, RX0AE, SM5ELV, SP3SLO, UR3FID, US1IW, V21ZG, VA7ST, VK0BP, TI5W, TO3J, XW3DT, YW5T, YZ7EM, ZF2AG/ZF8, ZF2LC, ZM4T, ZS6EZ and ZY0SAT

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B9/OE4AAC, 3D2T, 4K0CW, 4W0VB, 4W0VB/p, CO2WL, DL1QQ, ET3AA, F4GBU, HC2/KF6ZWD, J38A, J7Y, KG2A/VP9, NP4A, PJ4C, T2T, T2V, TL0CW, TN2T, TO4M, TX6T, TX6T/P, VK0TH, VP6T, VR2XLN, VU2DSI, XF1AA and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!!

S7, SEYCHELLES. Heye, DJ9RR, will be active as S79RR from Mahe Island between May 15-23rd. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct or LoTW.

TJ, CAMEROON. Ivan, 5N7M/OM3CGN, is now active as TJ6RM until April 16th. Activity is on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via OM3CGN.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT (Reminder). By the time you read this, the "Buddies in the Caribbean", a mini-DXpedition group to Montserrat (VP2M), should be active now and until April 16th, with a new group of operators who have never experienced the "other side of a pileup"! Because of severe baggage limits on the flight from Antigua to Montserrat (one bag under 50 lbs!), they will be limited to 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna systems. They will have two of the new Elecraft KX3's with them and believe this will be the first DX-pedition using the new KX3 radio (Ser#23 and #24). Yet their goal is to demonstrate "ultralite" DXpeditioning into magnificent "vista" locations, operating a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, light-weight antennas and most of all "having fun" on the "volcano isle". The eight operators are: Budd/W3FF (VP2MFF), Guy/N7UN (VP2MUN), Paul/KB9AVO (VP2MVO), Larry/W7DGP (VP2MLR), Russ/N7QR (VP2MQR), Tom/K2GSJ (VP2MTM) and Chris/N2YYZ (VP2MYZ). There will be several villa stations in operation on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK. At the same time, several

teams will be battery-only, field portable either from Montserrat beaches or scenic mountain tops. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to the operator's home callsign (SASE required).

WH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Masahiko, JH4VUC, will once again be active from Saipan (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) using the callsign WH0VU between April 18-21st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL direct to his home callsign.

XV2, VIETNAM. Larry, W6NWS, is back in Cai Be district, Vietnam, for a family visit until June 12th. Look for him to be active as XV2W during limited time on 80-10 meters (no 60M) using CW and RTTY, as well as SSB if noise in the house permits. His sunset is about 1120z and his sunrise is about 2300z. Larry states, "I am usually on .022 or .028 for CW and .085 for RTTY if they are not already busy. On 80m, I am usually on 3.512 MHz listening up 1. I am limited to 10.1 to 10.11 on 30m." QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Logs are posted to LoTW and eQSL usually within a day.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA. Operators Martin/G3ZAY and Robert/M0VFC are planning (not yet confirmed) to be active as ZD9UW from Tristan da Cunha possibly in September. More details are forthcoming, watch: http://www.zd9uw.org.uk

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DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

506. eHam.net News for Sunday 8 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-08 22:36:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73d5ebf404bd32842c@google.com>
Source record: 3273
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Sun City Residents Keep a Weather Eye:

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28065

"Everybody talks about the weather but nobody does anything about it." Members of the Sun City Amateur Radio Club may not be able to change the weather, but many of them -- along with neighbors -- join the National Weather Service in helping to make the predictions both more accurate and informational. The "hams" will host a SKYWARN training at 7 p.m. Thursday in Pinckney Hall. It's not possible to change the way the winds blow, the rain falls or the snow flurries, but it is important to know what to do when severe weather strikes. That is the goal of the NWS forecasters who predict the weather. Knowing what the weather is doing where the people are helps verify what the forecasters are seeing on their radars. "We train people to observe weather things like funnel clouds, or tornadoes which would be the precursors to the bad weather," said forecaster Ron Morales from the Charleston NWS office. "Mostly what we end up getting is reports of the damage, trees down, cars overturned." Many SKYWARN observers are amateur radio operators, because when the power goes and a storm knocks out communications towers, they crank up reserve power generators to provide emergency communications.

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Ham Radio Operators Travel Globe Over Airwaves:

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 05:08 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28064

DECATUR, AL (WAFF) - The weather in Baton Rouge, Louisiana may not be that different from Decatur, Alabama's, but men still like to talk about it, especially if the men are two ham radio operators. Joseph Lester Christophe and his wife are Katrina evacuees, and he knows how busy a disaster can be for ham radio operators. Often during disasters, ham radio operators are the only source of communications for a community. "Maybe they're trying to get a hold of law enforcement, ambulance or something like that, so we go into all the phases of communicating. As far as disasters are concerned, whatever it takes to get people back on their feet," says Christophe. They moved from Louisiana to Decatur where he fell in with a local group. He is president of the Decatur Amateur Radio Club, and he can enjoy the gift of gab with others. "One of our main purposes in ham radio is public service, and we have an annual event each June. It's

called 'field day,'" said Christophe. He said this is done without standard electricity. Instead, they use generators. Christophe said the furthest away he's talked with anyone is Sydney Australia, Africa and other places.

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Robert F. Fanto, WA3HJY (SK):

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28063

Korean War veteran was also a ham radio operator and actor: Robert F. Fanto, a retired longtime Baltimore County public schools guidance counselor, died of cancer Wednesday at his Timonium home. He was 80. The son of a Baltimore and Ohio Railroad machinist and a homemaker, Mr. Fanto was born in Cumberland and raised in Piedmont, W.Va., and Keyser, W.Va. Mr. Fanto was a ham radio operator and a member of the Baltimore Amateur Radio Club. He enjoyed playing the piano, reading and teaching literature.

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Erwin Schmidt, WB0LSG (SK):

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28062

Erwin Schmidt, 90, of Wichita, Kan., formerly of Austin, Minn., died Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at his daughter and son-in-law's home in Wichita. Erwin SchmidtErwin was born Sept. 18, 1921, in Brownsdale, Minn. to John and Hattie (Ohm) Schmidt. He married Hilda Polnau on June 26, 1943, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Waltham, Minn. He worked for 43 years for Hormel Foods, retiring in 1983. Erwin was an active member of St John's Lutheran Church, until moving to Wichita in November 2011, and was involved with the Sunday morning radio broadcast where he took over the duties in 1978 as chief engineer. He was a licensed amateur radio operator, belonged to the Austin Amateur Radio Club and was a Skywarn Spotter for Mower County Civil Defense. He was active with the Red Cross and worked many parades in Austin. He previously enjoyed working on his acerage east of Austin, fishing, photography, going on many trips, playing 500 and spending time with his family. He was named Mower County Fair's Outstanding Senior Citizen of the year in 2007.

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Emergency Radio Installed At State Park:

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28061

CORBIN, Ky. (AP) - A special radio that will help emergency communications is being installed at Cumberland Falls State Park this summer. The Military Auxiliary Radio System repeater station will be placed atop the park's water tower, which should assure that it gets good signal and links to the state Emergency Management headquarters in Frankfort. Park official Pam Gibson told The Times-Tribune of Corbin that a test of the MARS repeater

found that radio operators could receive the signal as far south as Knoxville, Tenn. She says the repeater can link to ham radio operators, and it can be used for weather spotting and to alert the park in the event of emergencies. Plus it will work if the power goes out during an emergency.

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NZ4O HF/6M RX Prop Fcst #2012-15:

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 11:51 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28059

The NZ4O HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-15 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 06, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday April 07, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 13, 2012.

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RTSystems Now Allows Repeater Lookup!

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 11:58 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28058

RFinder, the World Wide Repeater Directory, and RT Systems are pleased to announce the integration of RT Systems' suite of programs with the World Wide Repeater Directory!

507. HOT LATEST UPDATED VIDEOS AND SEXY ACTRESES PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-09 05:22:24 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <e672f737-ee47-436c-8d2d-cf2bfc3a2c63@h10g2000pbi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3274

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html

508. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 9 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-09 11:04:10 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf300face724833104bd3cf68f@google.com>
Source record: 3275
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Yuri's Night April 12

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LDrfgLQhcy4/yuris_night.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Yuri’s Night is a celebration of humanity’s achievements in space, with hundreds of parties and events held around the world each April

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BBC - Titanic anniversary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mDE0C5gMQLI/bbc_titanic_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC's Journey to the bottom of the ocean features a video showing the remains of the radio room in the wreck of the Titanic

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Irish Counties Contest

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8yYfBLkjGgw/irish_counties_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Irish 2 metres counties contest takes place today, Easter Monday. It runs from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm local time and uses both FM and SSB

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The World's Oldest Geek

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8tVs8Zwz6c8/the_worlds_oldest_geek.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chris Pirillo's grandfather, radio amateur Bus Lamberti W0WSJ, may be one of the oldest geeks in the world

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8JsfHtb8g_M/dxcc_report_0904.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
1st-April, through Sunday, 8th-April there were 27 countries active

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Ham Radio Now - DMR Digital Mobile Radio

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/b0K8x6wgLqA/ham_radio_now_dmr_digital_mobile_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gary KN4AQ talks to Jeff Parker WA1WXL, who works for Motorola Solutions.
They sell the MotoTRBO brand of DMR equipment that's become popular in ham
radio DMR systems

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North Cork Radio Group on the air for Marconi weekend

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/enfgsuwV7IE/north_cork_radio_group_on_the_air_for_marconi_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre
again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the
air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive

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New Committee Members needed

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ezDB70WoZpM/new_committee_members_needed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve Hartley, G0FUW, Chair of the new Training and Education Committee,
wishes to see younger members, female members, and those from ethnic groups
joining the committee

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dyOsW0LfZOM/april_09.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly 'Islands On The Air' (IOTA) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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Fox-1 Project educational goals align with NASA ELaNa requirements

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_EKTJabtBmo/fox_1_project_educational_goals.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Project ELaNa, NASA's 'Educational Launch of NanoSat' managed by the Launch
Services Program at the Kennedy Space Center, announced on February 10 that
the AMSAT Fox-1 cubesat has been selected to join the program

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Dundalk Amateur Radio Society elects new committee

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w-t3JALm3q8/dundalk_amateur_radio_society_elects_new_committee.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AGM of Dundalk Amateur Radio Society was held Wednesday 4th April 2012
and a number of new officers appointed

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Layang Island DXpedition

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ibrs4vl_7yw/layang_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society (MARTS) and the
9M4SDX Team will be active this week as 9M0L from Pulau Layang Layang
Island (Swallow Reefs - AS-051) near Sabah, East Malaysia, between April
10-24th

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LU4ldKZ2NME/history_09_april.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

509. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 8th April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-09 14:11:45 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120409141133.3DEE633C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3276
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 8th April 2012

The news headlines:

Training and Education Committee

The 145.500 MHz FM Calling channel

Free exhibition to commemorate Titanic and Marconi

The RSGB Board has decided to create a Training and Education Committee, which will take over many of the roles of the former Amateur Radio Development Committee. Amongst its duties, the new committee will work with the RCF on the training structure and how it might be improved as well as investigate, with the RCF, different ways for training to be provided, including possible extension of distance learning and internet based technologies. Following a process of inviting applications and interviews, the Board has determined that, with immediate effect, Steve Hartley, G0FUW will be appointed as Chairman of the Training and Education Committee. Steve brings a vast background of experience and knowledge in the training and education field to this new role.

The Society has received a number of complaints that relate to an error in the 2m part of the RSGB Band Plan. This error was mentioned in the VHF Manager's Annual Report in the April RadCom, page 53. It concerns the incorrect designation of the 145.500MHz simplex channel as Mobile Calling and its dual FM/ Digital Voice usage. Whilst these arrangements were put in place shortly after the 2008 IARU Region 1 General Conference, there have not been many problems reported. Increased uptake of Digital Voice, coupled with its use on 145.500MHz in some parts of the country, has highlighted an incompatibility. FM users monitoring the calling channel get disturbing noise bursts when a Digital Voice transmission occurs, making background channel-monitoring unacceptable. The Society will raise this issue within IARU Region 1 at the next opportunity, meanwhile UK amateurs using Digital Voice are asked not to use 145.500MHz, and are reminded that their Digital Voice calling channel is 144.6125MHz. In the interests of cooperation, both FM and Digital Voice users are asked to listen before transmitting on the other simplex channels to ensure that they are clear before use.

>From 14 April until 8 July, a free exhibition will take place at Chelmsford Museum commemorating the centenary of the Titanic disaster and of Marconi's New Street factory. The Chelmsford Museum is at Oaklands Park, Moulsham Street, Chelmsford CM2 9AQ.

The RSGB AGM will take place on 21 April at the Swan Hotel, Bedford. Full details are in the April RadCom. The hotel would like some indication of the numbers who will be having lunch on the day of the AGM. Lunch will be soup and a sandwich and will cost ?8. To register your intent, please visit www.rsgb.org/agmlunch and submit your name and callsign.

The Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency has announced the launch of five amateur radio satellites on two launches taking place in May and July. The first H-IIA launch takes place on 17 May between 1639 and 1642UTC and will carry the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2. The second launch on 21 July at 0218UTC of the HTV3 will deliver the JEM-Small Satellite Orbital Deployer to the International Space Station.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

On 15 April the 50th NARSA Blackpool rally will take place the Norbreck Castle Exhibition Centre, Blackpool FY2 9AA. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as special interest groups and a RSGB book stand. Doors open at 10.30am and more details can be obtained from Dave, M0OBW on 01270 761 608.

Also on 15 April the Cambridge Repeater Groups Rally will be held at Foxton Village Hall, Hardman Road, Foxton. Doors open at 10am and admissions is ?2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from Lawrence, M0CLM on 01223 711 840.

The RSGB Board Proceedings for February 2012 are now available to Members online. Among topics discussed are the Examination Software and interviews for the General Manager vacancy that has existed for the past 14 months. The Minutes are at www.rsgb.org/membersonly/information/minutes/minutes-2012/feb-2012.pdf.

Now for the news of special events

The centenary of the loss of RMS Titanic in 1912 will be commemorated with many activities taking place around the world, a list of the stations we have heard about is on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/titaniclist.

GB100MGY will be on the air until 26 April from Fort Perch Rock Marine Radio Museum, New Brighton, Wirral. They also have special permission to use this callsign on the 501 to 504kHz band and plan to transmit and receive on 502kHz. For those without a 500kHz band NoV they will work crossband to 3566kHz or 7066kHz.

GR100MGY will be on the air from the grounds of Charterhouse school in Godalming, the birthplace of Titanic's Marconi Radio Officer, Jack Phillips. Operated by Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group, members of the public are invited to visit on 14 and 15 April from noon until 4pm. Visitors should come to the school on Hurtmore Road, GU7 2DX, during these opening hours and simply follow the parking signs.

Itchen Valley ARC will be operating GB100WSL for White Star Line from 10 to 15 April. The station will operate from berth 42, Ocean Dock, Southampton. A commemorative flotilla will set sail from berth 43 at noon on 10 April as part of the city's commemorations. Brian, G0UKB, club chairman, is the great-grandson of Thomas King, the Master at Arms of RMS Titanic, who perished in the disaster. During the evenings when the dock is closed the club hopes to run GB0WSL from Bartley in the New Forest. This location is close to the home of the last survivor of the disaster, Millvina Dean.

GI2012MGY, will be located in Belfast onboard the SS Nomadic. It will be on the air on most HF bands, using CW and SSB, from 12 to 18 April. The SS Nomadic is the only remaining historic link to the Titanic left afloat, and she is also the last surviving White Star Line vessel in the world.

The Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club and Dumfries and Galloway RAYNET will be using GB100MUC for a Special Event Station at Dalbeattie Museum for the weekend of 14 and 15 April to commemorate the Titanic disaster 100 years ago. MUC was the callsign of the Titanic before she sailed. When she sailed, the callsign changed to MGY. All contacts will be confirmed with a full colour QSL card.

Bob Leask, G3XNG will be using the callsign M0RSE for the weekend of 1 and 15 April. Bob will use CW on all bands from 10 to 80m with as much activity as he can muster.

During the weekend of the 14 and 15 April, Poldhu Amateur Radio Club will be operating from the Marconi Centre at Poldhu using the callsign G3MPD. MPD was the callsign of the Marconi station at the time of the Titanic disaster. They hope to be operational on as many of the HF bands as possible.

The Scunthorpe Steel ARC will be running GB4MGY during the weekend 14 and 15 April. They will be active on 10m through to 80m and, hopefully, on 2m.

The Apeldoorn DX and Contest Crew will be operating PC100T on 14 April. They will be active on 10, 15 20, 40 and 80m CW and SSB.

On Sunday 15 April, amateurs from the Lichfield area will be running GB0TI from 9am until 7pm to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the loss of the RMS Titanic and its skipper, Captain E J Smith. The venue is a brand new Discovery Hub building in Beacon Park, Lichfield. As well as the calls to be put out on 80, 40 and 20 metres, there will be other activities in the Hub such as involving the public in trying their hand at sending distress calls with Morse practice units and keys.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Macclesfield & District Radio Society is off on its 2012 DXpedition to Colonsay off the west coast of Scotland, IOTA reference EU-123, from 16 to 21 April. The callsign will be GS4MWS/P. QSL cards will be available via the RSGB Bureau, or direct to QSL Manager Adie Dodd, M0PAI. Please

include a SSAE if QSLing direct.

Jonas, SA0AAZ and Carin, SA0BAC will be active as V63AAZ and V63BAC from Weno, Chuuk Islands, IOTA OC-011, until 10 April. They will operate holiday style HF on SSB and CW. QSLs via SA0AAZ.

Giorgio, IZ4AKS, is on Rhodos Island from 9 to 16 April. If holiday time permits he wants to work as SV5/IZ4AKS on the HF bands every day using a K3, Yaesu FT-897 and wires. QSL direct to IZ4AKS.

DL7UXG/P will be QRV from Foehr Island from 10 to 12 April. QSL via his home callsign, bureau or direct.

Francois, ON4LO, will be active as 5P4LO from Romo Island between 15 and 20 April. Activity will be on 10 to 80 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via ON4LO, direct or via the Bureau.

Now the contest news

The first leg of the SP DX Contest ends at 1500UTC today, 8 April. Using both CW and SSB on the 1.8 to 28m bands, SP stations send a signal report plus a single character province code, while non-SP stations send a signal report and a serial number.

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place between 1900 and 2130UTC on 10 April. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 11 April the SSB leg of the 80m Club Championships takes place between 1900 and 2030UTC. Using SSB, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The First 50MHz contest takes place between 0900 and 1200UTC on 15 April. Using all modes on the 6m band the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

The 4-hour Europe-wide EU Sprint takes place on 14 April from 1600 to 2000. Using CW on the 3.5 to 14MHz bands, the contest exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name or nickname. Note no signal report is exchanged.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 30th of March to Wednesday the 4th of April, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Thursday the 5th of April.

Several small and magnetically simple sunspot groups were visible every day. Solar activity was very low on three days and low on the other three days when isolated C1 class solar flares took place. Solar flux levels declined from 111 units on the 30th to 102 by the 4th. The average was 107 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 4th was 117 units. That's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged B2.1 units for the period. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day except for the 2nd when activity increased to slightly unsettled levels with an Ap index of 10 units. This was in response to a small coronal

hole. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 310 kilometres per second on the 30th to 450 by the 2nd. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied between minus 4 and plus 2 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus 6 and plus 4 nanoTeslas during the 2nd. MUFs reached forecast values most days. Paths to South America and South Africa were in particularly good shape.

And finally the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be low as the quiet side of the Sun rotates into view. However, there is an `active region' that should rotate into view later in the week that could increase activity once in view. Solar flux levels should be around or slightly above the 100 mark. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet at fires but from around midweek activity is expected to increase due to a recurring coronal hole. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 27MHz for the south and 24MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 32MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 27MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1200 and 1800 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

We start with advance notice that Chesterfield and North Derbyshire amateur radio club will be running a foundation course at Staveley, commencing on Saturday 14 April. The course fee is ?43. For more information email exams@m0oct.com.

On Monday 9 April Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a club net on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation, from 7pm. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

On Monday 9 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating at Crickley Hill. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 9 April South Birmingham Radio Society is closed. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 9 April Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having an informal meeting. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Monday 9 April Wythall Radio Club's Easter Contest ends at 2200. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Tuesday 10 April Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 10 April Eagle Radio Group is having a quiz night with Neville, G3VDV. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday 10 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 432MHz UK AC. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 10 April Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on PCB manufacture by Andrew, G7SEG. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 10 April Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding its AGM. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Tuesday 10 April Wythall Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 11 April Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a M3 and M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

On Wednesday 11 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 80m CC SSB form the shack and having a video night at the BSA Club. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 11 April Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 11 April Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the age of the telegraph by Tony, M0TAW. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Wednesday 11 April Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m CC SSB contest. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Thursday 12 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running a simplex club net on 145.375MHz from 20.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Thursday 12 April Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 12 April South Birmingham Radio Society is holding training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Friday 13 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale and committee forum. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 13 April Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a club net on GB3FR from 8pm. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

On Friday 13 April South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Saturday 14 April Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding its surgery in the shack from 09.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Monday 9 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 9 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is closed. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 10 April Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 10 April Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Foundation training course and is on the air. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 10 April Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is discussing the Blackpool rally and having a cupboard sort-out. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 11 April Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 11 April Durham and District Amateur Radio Society is operating PSK. Details from David, M0BPM, on 01913 888 113.

On Wednesday 11 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on data modes by M0GVZ. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 11 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Contest SSB. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Wednesday 11 April Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz against Chester & District Radio Society for the G3PYU Trophy. Details from Simon, G6XHF, on 01516 013 269.

On Thursday 12 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a PC clinic with Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 13 April East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 13 April Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio blogs and Wordpress by 2E0MLY. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Sunday 15 April Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is at the Blackpool Radio Rally. Contact Simon, G6XHF, on 01516 013 269.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 10 April Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an EGM. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 11 April Glenrothes & District Radio Club is looking at aerials and equipment for forthcoming club events. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on activating East Africa in the 1960s and 70s by Andre Saunders, GM3VTB. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 12 April Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is maintaining the club antenna & checking the Mills on the Air equipment. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 12 April Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a hints and kinks session with GM0PYM. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Friday 13 April Borders Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on signal strengths by Ian, GM8IIO. Details from MM0YLG on 07944 912 751.

On Saturday 14 April Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club commences its Titanic Special Event Station weekend event operating from Dalbeattie Museum. Details from Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

On Monday 9 April Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF from 20.30. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Monday 9 April Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is closed. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 9 April East Kent Radio Society is closed. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 9 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a net on GB3NB from 19.30. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Tuesday 10 April Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is having a useful radio aids evening. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Tuesday 10 April Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 10 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 10 April Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the development of the G4TPH Magloops by Tom, G4TPH. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 10 April South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Mike, M6KEB on aircraft servicing. Details from Dave, G4UVJ. 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday 11 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 11 April Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at satellite communications with Paul Jay. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 11 April Darenth Valley Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday 11 April Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is discussing J6/G0DVJ. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday 11 April Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 11 April Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3NB from 19.30. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 11 April Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on gliding by Mike Hodgson, M0NOE. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Thursday 12 April Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF from 20:30. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Thursday 12 April Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 12 April Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk by Dave Townsend, G0WBA on sailing around the world in more than 80 days. Details from Chrissie Turner, hilderstoneclub@gmail.com

On Thursday 12 April Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its spring junk sale. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 12 April Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 13 April Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on 3D TV by Mike Cox. Please note the changed date, for this meeting only. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 13 April Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio and astronomy by Bert, G4XPZ. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 13 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 13 April Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on RAYNET by Cathy Clark. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 13 April Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 14 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event operating GB100MWT from Oaklands Museum, Chelmsford, to commemorate RMS Titanic. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Saturday 14 April Radio Society of Harrow will be running GX3EFX at the 40s family experience weekend event at the Lincolnsfield Centre, WD23 2ES. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Saturday 14 April Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having its club dinner at Stratton House Hotel. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 9 April Exeter Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Tuesday 10 April Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Keith on 01747 851 260.

On Tuesday 10 April Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio training, QRP construction and Buildathons by Steve Hartley G0FUW . Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 10 April Plymouth RC is on the air and having a natter night. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Wednesday 11 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a rally de-brief with Stan, G0RYM. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 12 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a VHF NFD familiarisation evening. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 12 April Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 13 April Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Thursday 12 April Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is hosting the North Dyfed RAYNET AGM. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Friday 13 April Newport Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and is on the air. More information from Ross Clare, GW3NWS, on 01633 880 146.

510. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 02 - 08 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-09 15:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120409153001.6AE5E33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3277
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Apr 09 1221 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
02 - 08 April 2012

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. Region 1450 (N16,
L=324, class/area Esi/180 on 06 April) produced 4 C-class flares
including a C1/Sf at 2110 UTC on 05 April with associated Type II
(360 km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps along with a partial halo
coronal mass ejection (CME) first seen in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery at
05/2125 UTC. Region 1450 also produced several C-class flares from
04 to 05 April; the largest, a C3/1f at 1624 UTC on 05 April. Region
1452 (N18, L=285, class/area Dsi/040 on 04 April) was also
responsible for a C2 flare that occurred at 1708 UTC on 07 April.
Two filament eruptions were observed. The first was a filament
eruption near N26E14 first observed in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery
beginning at 0224 UTC on 02 April. The CME was partially
Earth-directed; however the majority of the ejecta were northerly.
The second filament eruption occurred between 1825 - 1900 UTC on 07
April in the northwest quadrant near Region 1451 (N17, L=306,
class/area Cro/020 on 30 March). The associated CME had an
approximate plane of sky speed of 690 km/s with the majority of the
ejecta directed southwest of the Earth.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit ranged
between normal and moderate levels.

Geomagnetic field activity was quiet to unsettled during the period,
with the sole exception of a single active period between 09-12 UTC
on 05 April as the result of sustained southward Bz.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
09 April - 05 May 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels
throughout the period.
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No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 09-13 April. Flux values are forecast to increase to high levels from 14-18 April, due to CH high speed stream effects. Values should decrease to normal/moderate levels again for 19 April through 05 May.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period at quiet to unsettled levels, and remain so from 09 April through 15 April, due to the combination of two anticipated CME arrivals from filament eruptions as well as anticipated CH effects. Conditions are expected to recover to mostly quiet levels from 16-22 April, before increasing to unsettled levels on 23-24 April. This increase is forecast as the result of an expected recurrent negative polarity coronal hole. Mostly quiet levels are anticipated from 25 April through the end of the period on 05 May.

511. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 9 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-09 16:28:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403c785be7604bd417ef5@google.com>
Source record: 3278
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Foundation exam passed at age 5 years and eleven months old

Posted: 07 Apr 2012 03:11 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341372-Foundation-exam-passed-at-age-5-years-and-eleven-months-old&goto=newpost

Attachment 90508

The Humber Fortress DX ARC is proud to Announce and congratulate its youngest new Member Miss Kayleigh Huntley,

on passing her Foundation exam at age 5 years and eleven months .

Also Passing their Exams today were:

Steve Tobin

Steve Walsh

Linda Nielsen

and a big congratulations to Kevin Johnson M6OZY on passing his intermediate Exam Kevin had worked very hard for this pass today.

Full Write up will follow on the Candidates and their training that has taken place

Regards

Andy Nielsen

G7LRR

Chair Humber Fortress DX A.R.C

Please Sign Comments on the Club Guestbook @ http://hfdxarc.co.uk/guestbook1/

512. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 9 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-09 16:43:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2344edf4634c04bd41b3cb@google.com>
Source record: 3279
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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San Diego Natural History Museum Titanic Centennial Special Event 4-9-12
thru 4-15-12

Posted: 08 Apr 2012 07:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341559-San-Diego-Natural-History-Museum-Titanic-Centennial-Special-Event-4-9-12-thru-4-15-12&goto=newpost

NI6IW will be operating from "the NAT", freqs SSB 7250 and 14320, daily
1700-2300Z.

Extended hours on 15 April thru 0600Z.

POC AB6RM jgarza@san.rr.com

513. eHam.net News for Monday 9 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-09 22:19:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2344ed418e3404bd466565@google.com>
Source record: 3280
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Titanic's SOS Relayed by Newfoundland Wireless Station:

Posted: 08 Apr 2012 05:35 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28068

CAPE RACE, N.L. -- In a remote Marconi wireless station on the southeast tip of Newfoundland, the bland stream of "Wish you were here" messages from passengers aboard RMS Titanic ended with the inconceivable. "My God, Mr. Gray, the Titanic has struck an iceberg and is calling CQD," head operator Walter Gray would later recall being told by his subordinate, J.C.R. Godwin, at 10:25 p.m. EST on April 14, 1912. CQD was the early Morse code distress call used by Marconi installations. Titanic's head operator Jack Phillips, a good friend of Gray's from Marconi training, also sent out the more novel SOS. It was just before midnight, ship's time. The luxury liner was under water less than three hours later. Cape Race was the closest land base to the stricken ship, which met its fate about 600 kilometres southeast in the North Atlantic's freezing Iceberg Alley. For the first hour or so after that first distress call, "there was no thought of the ship sinking," Gray wrote in his memoir The Life Story of an Old Shetlander. After all, the White Star Line ship had been labelled unsinkable. "It was only when Phillips announced . . . 'We are now sinking slowly by the head. Putting women and children off in boats. Weather remains clear and calm,' that the horror gripped," Gray wrote.

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Michael A. Merchant, KB3QIH (SK):

Posted: 08 Apr 2012 05:35 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28067

Amateur radio operator KB3-QIH Michael Anthony Merchant, 22, of Millsboro signed off his final radio call Thursday, April 5, 2012 after succumbing to injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Born in Dover, Aug. 11, 1989, he was the son of Wilson Merchant and Jody Ray Howell. He was an animated, vibrant young man with a heart of gold and a golden smile. He was active in amateur radio and emergency communications. He was dedicated to his family, called his grandmother every single day, was always there for his family. He loved video games, fishing, and vacationing in Wildwood, N.J.

514. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 10 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-10 06:11:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340e1732018604bd4cff70@google.com>
Source record: 3281
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Drumlins ARC Hamfest - Sat April 14

Posted: 09 Apr 2012 07:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341602-Drumlins-ARC-Hamfest-Sat-April-14&goto=newpost

26th Annual Drumlins Amateur Radio Club Hamfest

Marbletown Fire Hall

Newark, NY

From Route 31: 1 mile south on Route 88 to Silver Hill Road, turn left.

1 mile east (through 4-way stop). Fire hall will be on the right.

Talk-In Frequency: 146.745- WA2AAZ/R & 146.685- WA2EMO/R

Admission $5, Indoor Table $5 (6'), Tailgaters $3.

Free Amateur License Exams starting at 9:30 AM!

Doors open at 7:00 AM for vendors, 8:00 AM for the public.

Breakfast & Lunch will be served...

Door Prizes, also!

More information: http://www.drumlinsarc.org/hamfest.htm

515. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 10 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-10 11:05:33 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf300face7d91f9804bd5118f4@google.com>
Source record: 3282
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB100MWT at Chelmsford Exhibition - Marconi and the sea

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nOYJ0GHoU5Q/marconi_and_the_sea.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This year sees the 100th anniversary of the Titanic disaster and the opening of Marconi's New Street Factory. Chelmsford Museum are holding an exhibition 'Marconi and the sea' to commemorate the events

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Titanic with Len Goodman

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KBJKD4S1hF4/titanic_with_len_goodman.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Len Goodman's BBC TV show about the Titanic tells the story of the Marconi senior wireless operator Jack Phillips

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NASA sets date for Flabob Airport ARISS contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qBIcRyUotDI/nasa_sets_date_for_flabob_airport_ariss_contact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Students at Flabob Airport’s Tom Wathen Center in Jurupa Valley, California, are preparing to talk to an astronaut aboard the International Space Station

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5 year-old passes Foundation exam

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JjCt9mTTRAc/5_year_old_passes_foundation_exam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club is proud to announce and congratulate its youngest new member Miss Kayleigh Huntley on passing her Foundation exam at age 5 years and eleven months

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Michael A. Merchant KB3QIH SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RdpGbBYkbl0/michael_merchant_kb3qih_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cape Gazette reports that Michael Merchant KB3QIH, 22, signed off his final radio call Thursday, April 5, 2012 after succumbing to injuries sustained in an automobile accident

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The Buddies in Montserrat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/csGZMUo2KwU/the_buddies_in_montserrat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 'Buddies in the Caribbean', a mini-DXpedition group to Montserrat (VP2M), should be active now and until April 16th, with a new group of operators who have never experienced the 'other side of a pileup'

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1k_-U3ipai8/iaru_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The March issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports on Turkish OTH Radar in the amateur radio 21 and 28 MHz bands

516. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 10 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-10 11:51:07 UTC
From: $ĻĄŘŦĩƀąŕT□□ŠŢ <slarti@norway-coastline.net>
Message-ID: <jm16re$j5j$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3283
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"NASA sets date for Flabob Airport ARISS contact"

Is this something to do with The Flower Pot Men, flobadob?

517. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 10 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-10 16:23:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb03bb784f504bd558a93@google.com>
Source record: 3284
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-099 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 09 Apr 2012 12:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341637-ANS-099-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor@amsat.org

Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould Smith, WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor the AMSAT at Dayton web pages for the latest news and developments.

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Fox-1 Project Educational Goals Align With NASA ELaNa Requirements

Project ELaNa, NASA's "Educational Launch of NanoSat" managed by the Launch Services Program at the Kennedy Space Center, announced on February 10 that the AMSAT Fox-1 cubesat has been selected to join the program. AMSAT will work with NASA in a collaborative agreement where NASA will cover the integration and launch costs of satellites deemed to have merit in support of their strategic and educational goals.

In an article published in the AMSAT Journal, AMSAT Vice-President of Engineering, Tony Monteiro, AA2TX noted that meeting NASA's educational goals for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) was the cornerstone in the successful acceptance of Fox-1 into the ELaNa project.

Fox-1 continues AMSAT's long record of success as an all-volunteer organization providing access to space communications for students in a curriculum setting as well the private citizen.

The Fox-1 communication package provides a learning and technological stepping-stone using commonly available amateur radio equipment. Students gain first-hand experience in setting up and operating equipment, orbital prediction, communication to distant places, and growth in overall space literacy. In the classroom, Fox-1 will allow schools, teachers, and students to actively participate in space technology with a unique experimental hands-on learning approach that includes communicating through a satellite in orbit.

All of the Fox-1 experiment and telemetry data will be collected and stored on our internet server and made publicly available for use in the classroom and shared with the CubeSat community.

In addition to mentoring university student cubesat mission teams, AMSAT satellites have also hosted university experiments aboard our spacecraft. In addition to the communications package, Fox-1 will host an experimental payload developed as a capstone project at Penn State University. The Penn State project will have impact on future CubeSat systems as the students design, construct, and orbit an attitude experiment based on a 3-axis micro-electro-mechanical gyroscope.

Fox-1 Project Reviews

The Fox-1 Team participated in a Merit Review and Feasibility Review with a panel including education and industry experts at the Doctorate level, a developer of 29 satellites, and directors of research.

The results of the Fox-1 Merit Review found:

AMSAT "nailed" the NASA education requirements of the NASA Education Strategic Coordination Framework and the NASA Education Implementation Framework. In fact, AMSAT has a history of space education that pre-dates most university programs.
The Fox-1 program will be accessible to an entire classroom or school with only the teacher or outside volunteer requiring an amateur radio license. The archive of telemetry data collected during actual space flight will prove valuable in future educational projects that have yet to be imagined.

The results of the Fox-1 Feasibility Review found:

While AMSAT relies on an all-volunteer development team the tremendous depth and experience of the Fox-1 team far exceeds the capability of a typical CubeSat team. AMSAT has developed its satellites this way for 40 years and has never missed a launch.
AMSAT does not rely on critical technology for flight and leverages our experience from prior successful missions:

Fox-1 is designed to operate in sunlight without batteries once the battery system fails. This applies lessons learned from AO-51 and ARISSat-1 operations.
In case of IHU failure Fox-1 will continue to operate its FM repeater in a basic, 'zombie sat' mode, so that the repeater remains on-the-air.
Fox-1 is designed as the immediate replacement for AO-51. Its U/V (Mode B) transponder will make it even easier to work with modest equipment.
From the ground user's perspective, the same FM amateur radio equipment used for AO-51 may be used for Fox-1.

AMSAT's Fox-1 project timeline is based on targeting a launch in the second half of 2013. NASA will determine on which flight each of the Project ELaNa CubeSats fly. Read NASA's CubeSat Launch Initiative web page including AMSAT's participation here.

[ANS thanks the Fox-1 Team for the above information]

AMSAT-NA Board of Directors Nominations

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. A valid nomination requires either one current Member Society, or five current individual members in good standing, to nominate an AMSAT-NA member for the position.

Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK.

The three nominees receiving the highest number of votes will be seated as regular board members with two year terms. The two nominees receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternate directors for one year.

Written nominations, consisting of names, calls and individual signatures, should be mailed to: AMSAT-NA, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring, MD,

20910. They must be received no later than June 15th. No other action is required.

Nominations may also be made by electronic means including e-mail, FAX, or electronic image of a petition. Electronic petitions should be sent to MARTHA@AMSAT.ORG or faxed to 301-608-3410, and also must be received by June 15th. If using any electronic submission, there is a second, verifying step:

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WITHOUT THIS SECOND, WRITTEN VERIFICATION ARE NOT VALID UNDER THE EXISTING AMSAT-NA BYLAWS. A verifying traditional written petition MUST be received at the AMSAT-NA office at the above address within 7 days following the close of nominations.

[ANS Thanks AMSAT Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

EPFL Announces Nanosat Ion Drive - To The Moon on 100 mL of Fuel

An article posted on space-travel.com reported the EPFL University in Switzerland announced the first prototype of a new, ultra-compact motor that will allow small satellites to journey beyond Earth's orbit.

EPFL said the MicroThrust ion motor will be capable of reaching the Moon using just a tenth of a liter of fuel. The complete thruster weighs just a few hundred grams and is specifically designed to propel small (1-100 kg) satellites, which it enables to change orbit around the Earth and even voyage to more distant destinations - functions typically possible only for large, expensive spacecraft.

Instead of a combustible fuel, the new mini motor runs on an "ionic" liquid, in this case the chemical compound EMI-BF4, which is used as a solvent and an electrolyte. It is composed of electrically charged molecules (like ordinary table salt) called ions, except that this compound is liquid at room temperature. The ions are extracted from the liquid and then ejected by means of an electric field to generate thrust. This is the principle behind the ionic motor: fuel is not burned, it is expelled.

After six months of acceleration, the microsatellite's speed increases from 24,000 km/h, its launch speed, to 42,000 km/h. The acceleration is only about a tenth of a millimeter per square second, which translates into 0-100 km/h in 77 hours. But in space, where there is no friction to impede motion, gentle but steady acceleration is the way to go.

"We calculated that in order to reach lunar orbit, a 1-kg nanosatellite with our motor would travel for about six months and consume 100 milliliters of fuel," explains Muriel Richard, a scientist in EPFL's Swiss Space Center.

A video about the MicroThrust has been posted at:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=YJlSI_l5g4M

[ANS thanks Space-Travel.com for the above information]

European ATV-3 Edoardo Amaldi Arrives at ISS & Performs Reboost

After a successful launch on March 23, the heaviest cargo ship ever has arrived and docked to the International Space Station. The 20-ton European ATV-3 cargo ship, named "Edoardo Amaldi" after the Italian physicist and spaceflight pioneer, made a "smooth and gentle" docking on March 28. It delivered 7 tons of food, drinking water, clothing, oxygen, spare parts and fuel for the 6-member ISS crew.

A video of the docking with ISS can be viewed at:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=PorM-1F4jdo

On Saturday, March 31 the ATV reboosted the space station's orbit to 389.8 km. The ATV's thrusters ran for 351 seconds, increasing ISS velocity by 1.0 m/s and boosting average altitude by 1.73 km. This is a standard test performed as soon as possible after docking.

The successful test burn means that ATV is ready for a series of larger planned reboosts (the first expected on 5 April) and to conduct debris avoidance manoeuvres when necessary.

Read more on-line at:

http://tinyurl.com/ISS-ATVBoost1 (space-travel.com)

http://tinyurl.com/ISS-ATVBoost2 (space-travel.com)

An article posted on spaceflightnow.com on April 2 reports that the huge cargo freighters, weighing more than 20 tons fully loaded, will stop flying in 2014 when the fifth resupply craft delivers equipment to the International Space Station. ESA member states decided to discontinue the program after briefly considering redesigning the throwaway cargo craft to return hardware in a hardened re-entry capsule.

The ESA published a new video on their youtube channel showing ESA astronaut André Kuipers and cosmonaut Oleg Kononenko opening the hatch to the ATV and begin unloading the cargo.

[ANS thanks Space-Travel.com and SpaceFlightNow.com for the above information]

California Students Contact ISS Astronaut

The amateur radio club at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California arranged for an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact for elementary school students, 4H-club members and Scouts on Tuesday, March 27. The connection was made by telebridge station AH6NM in Hawaii.

Approximately 150 students were in attendance. Local news station KSBY and the Cal Poly newspaper Mustang Daily covered the event; NASA-TV replayed the contact audio on March 28. The ARISS event complemented the science fair held to get students interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). To view

the article, see: http://mustangdaily.net/radio-club-m...space-station/

and the news clip: http://www.ksby.com/videos/cal-poly-...h-outer-space/

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Education and Technology Program Director Mark Spencer, WA8SME will try to activate W1AW on AO-27 on April 10 for the 1830Z pass. Fastest QSL is via his callbook address.
The 50 MHz and Up Group has issued the first call for papers for the 2012 Microwave Update Conference to be held October 18-21 in Santa Clara, California. For more information on submitting papers as well as all other aspects of the conference please go to: http://www.microwaveupdate.org
The International Space Station Benefits for Humanity brochure is a collection of in-depth descriptions about benefits from research on the space station. The benefits outlined serve as examples of the space station's potential as a ground breaking scientific research facility. This collection was developed collaboratively by the members of the Canadian Space Agency, European Space Agency, Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency, NASA and the Russian Federal Space Agency. To view the brochure, visit http://tinyurl.com/NASA-Brochure (nasa.gov)
A NASA Educator's Guide about Rockets is available on-line at: http://tinyurl.com/NASAForEducators (nasa.gov)
Bob, WB4APR noted a need for an Australian Amateur Astronomer and HAM operator in Canberra on 4-6 June 2012. Assistance is needed to support a science team of students from the USA to observe the last transit of Venus this century in Canberra. We want a local Australian Ham to be there to see if we can use ham radio and the speed of light to share observations with our sister team in Japan (and any other observation sites). Interested individuals for this historic event, contact WB4APR@amsat.org
Tom Medlin, W5KUB, known for his live webcasts from the Dayton Hamvention and Huntsville Hamfest will also broadcast from the Memphis FreeFest on Saturday, April 14 between 0900-1500 CDT (UTC-5). Tom says, "This is a small hamfest but we will have a few prize drawings during the broadcast. All you need to enter the drawing is to be in our chatroom when the drawings are announced." The internet video feed and the chatroom can be found at: http://w5kub.com. This page streams previously recorded video from Dayton when live broadcasts are not airing.
The next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, April 12 at 8:00 PM EDT (UTC -4) on the 146.970 MHz repeater, and also on the N2EYH-L Echolink node. More info: http://www.hvsatcom.org/ (via Stu, WA2BSS)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

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518. [DXNL] DXNL 1775 (Apr 11, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-10 20:18:00 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <122110467031.20120410220413@dxhf.darc.de>
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8Q, MALDIVES, AS-013
Alex,UT5UY, will work in holiday style from Thulhagiri Island (AS-013)
in CW and SSB on 80-10m from Apr 12-21. QSL via homecall.

CE, CHILE
The "Radio Club de Chile" activates the special callsign 3G87IARU until
Apr 30 to celebrate the 87th anniversary of the "International Amateur
Radio Union" (IARU) and the "World Amateur Radio Day" on Apr 18.
QSL via CE3AA.

FG, GUADELOUPE, NA-102
FG4KH will be QRV from Guadeloupe (IOTA NA-102, Loc FK96hf) working in
JT65B on 144 MHz via EME from Apr 12-26. QSL via F1DUZ.
See also: http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY, NA-146
Wim,ON4CIT, and Paul,ON4BEC, are going to visit St Barthelemy (NA-146,
WLOTA 0377) from Apr 16-30. Listen for TO3X mainly in SSB/RTTY with
some CW on 40m-6m. The frequenvies for 6m are 50.120 MHz (USB),
50.090 MHz (CW) and 50.200 MHz (RTTY). QSL via ON4CIT, LoTW.
See also: http://www.dxpedition.be/TO3X.html

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The special event station GB0TI will be activated in CW on HF on Apr 15
from 0900-1700 UTC to remember the 100th anniversary of the sinking of
the Titanic.

The "Dover Amateur Radio Club" also announced to activate the special
call GB2ICE in CW on HF on Apr 15. They want to remember Jack Phillips,
Titanic's radio officer, who died onboard the ship. QSL via G0KOK.

The special event station GB100MUC will be active on Apr 14/15. MUC was
the callsign of the Titanic before the ship left Southampton. The call

was changed to MGY after leaving the port. QSL via bureau.

The "Southampton Amateur Radio Club" (G3SOU and G8FAB) will use the
special call GB1HMGY from Mayflower Park in Southampton on Apr 13-15.
See also: http://www.southampton-arc.org.uk/Titanic100.html

GI, NORTHERN IRELAND, EU-115
Another special event station will be aired from Northern Ireland. The
"City of Belfast Radio Amateur Society" will sign GI2012MGY onboard the
SS Nomadic in Belfast in CW and SSB on most HF bands from Apr 12-18.
The SS Nomadic is the last remaining ship of the "White Star Line", it
served as a tender for the Titanic and Olympic. QSL via GI4GOS, LoTW.
See also: http://www.nomadicbelfast.com

GW, WALES, EU-005
The "Blackwood & District Amateur Radio Society" (GW6GW) and the
"Candle Workshops" from Gelligroes Mill remember the Titanic tragedy
by putting the special event call GB100GGM on the air with two stations
in CW/SSB on all bands on Apr 14/15. Artie Moore from Gelligroes Mill
was the first one who has received the SOS call of the Titanic on the
mainland. QSL via MW0LAO.

The "Barry Amateur Radio Society" is using the special callsign GB1OOC
in April for the same reason. QSL via MW0DHF.
See also: http://bars.btck.co.uk

HH, HAITI, NA-096
Amadeo,HH8/EA3OW, is working from Jacmel in the south of Haiti (NA-096,
WLOTA 0343) until May 12. He is working with Kenwood TS-480SAT and
dipoles in SSB, RTTY and digital modes on 40-10m during his spare time.
QSL via homecall. See also: http://ea3ow.wordpress.com

HL, SOUTH KOREA
The special event station DT12AWC will be active in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31
on 80m-2m during the Asian Weightlifting Championships in Pyeongchang
from Apr 14-30. QSL via DS2GOO.

I, ITALY
The special event station IR8ACN from Naples is working in SSB, CW and
RTTY on 10m, 15m, 20m and 40m from Apr 7-15 on the occasion of the
"America's Cup World Series". QSL via IK8PXZ.

ON, BELGIUM
The UBA section in Maldegem (ON4EKO) hits the airwaves in all modes
on HF/VHF using the special call ON100TT from Apr 14 until Dec 31 to
remember the sinking of the Titanic 100 years ago. QSL via ON4WDL.
See also: http://www.on4eko.be

SP, POLAND
Some members of the SP-CFF (SP0CFF) will be on the air as HF87WARD from
Apr 17-30. A special award will be issued as well. QSL via eQSL,
direct QSLs should be sent with SASE to: Polish Club Flora & Fauna,

Suchacz, Wielmozy 5b, 82-340 Tolkmicko, Poland.
See also: http://www.suchacz.eu/news.php

TJ, CAMEROON
Ivan,5N7M/OM3CGN, is active as TJ6RM in CW/SSB on 40m-10m until Apr 16.
QSL via OM3CGN.

VE, CANADA
Cape Race was the first Marconi station in Newfoundland and thus plays
an important role in the history of the Titanic tragedy. The events are
reproduced on Apr 14/15: A ship (VE0MGY/mm, QSL via VO1VCE) shall
contact VO1MCE from the location where the Titanic sank. See: QRZ.com,
http://www.edgeofavalon.ca and http://www.receivingtitanic.com

W, USA, NA-066
Martin,G3ZAY, and Hugo,M0HSW, plan to hand out some IOTA points from
Santa Catalina (NA-066) signing NU2L/6 and W6/M0HSW from Apr 13-15.
QSLs via homecalls.

XE, MEXICO
Some members of the Grupo DXXE will use the special call 6H6IARU on
160m-6m and via satellite from different locator fields from Apr 13-18.
This station marks the founding of the International Amateur Radio
Union (IARU) 87 years ago and the "World Amateur Radio Day" on Apr 18.
This year's World Amateur Radio Day has the motto "Celebrating 50 Years
in Space" with the first launches of amateur radio satellites OSCAR 1
on Dec 12, 1961, and OSCAR 2 on Jun 2, 1962. QSOs with 6H6IARU count
for the IARU Region 2 award, several FMRE awards and the DXXE award.
QSL via N7RO, LoTW. See also: http://www.dxxe.org

DXCC Fees (update)
The ARRL has updated the information on their homepage:
http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-announces-new-dxcc-fee-structure

OPs wanted
The upcoming DXpedition to Campbell Island (ZL9HR, Nov 17-30) is still
looking for some experienced operators. If you are interested please
contact Tommy (vk2ir@vk2ir.com). See also: http://www.zl9hr.com

New TEP beacons
Thanks to the cooperation of Italian and Hungarian OMs and with the
help of Peter,V51PJ, there are two new beacons active as V51VHF from
Namibia (Loc JG82ie) ready for TEP observations:
70.005 MHz, CW, 35 Watt, 6el DK7ZB Beam N
144.430 MHz, CW, ? Watt, 10el DK7ZB Beam N

Titanic documentation
The "Documentary Archives Radio Communications" in Vienna has collected
information about the Titanic disaster on their website:
http://dokufunk.org/amateur_radio/contributions/index.php?CID 13

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 14 TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest
Apr 14 European Sprint Contest
Apr 14/15 Japan International DX Contest
Apr 14/15 Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest
Apr 14/15 DIG QSO Party

WAEDC CW results online
The official results of the 57th WAE DX Contest 2011 in CW are online.
Congratulations to all winners and a big thank you to the WAEDC Contest
team DL8WPX, DL6MHW, DL6OCK and DL7VOA. The results of the WAEDC SSB
will be published soon. See: http://www.waedc.de

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-109, R9K, Obskaya Gulf group: Update of the IOTA DXpedition of RT9K/p:
RX9KM states that transport with snowmobiles was not possible due to
warm weather and thus the DXpedition was cancelled.

EU-103, EI/EJ, Saltee Islands: Members of the Papa Lima DX Group will sign
EJ0PL from the Saltee Islands on Apr 14/15. Depending on the local
conditions they want to activate two or three stations in CW, SSB and
digital modes on 80m-6m. QSL via EI5JQ.

EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: A team of the Macclesfield & District Radio
Society conducts an IOTA DXpedition to Colonsay (IOSA NH19, WLOTA 1574,
SCOTIA DI05) signing GS4MWS/p from Apr 15&#65533;21. QSL via M0PAI.

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West group: Francois,ON4LO, will sign 5P4LO in SSB, RTTY
and PSK on 80-10m from Romo (DIA NS-001, ARLHS DEN-074) from Apr 15&#65533;
20.
QSL via ON4LO (bureau/direct).

OC-001, VK, Australia: The special event station VI4MGY will be QRV from
South Bank (near the Queensland Maritime Museum) from Apr 15&#65533;22 on t
he
occasion of the anniversary of the Titanic disaster. QSL via QRZ.com.

SA-018, CE7, Los Lagos Region South group: Roberto,CE3CT, Pedro,CE3FZ, and
Luc,LU1FAM will sign 3G7C from Chiloe Island (DICE ICE-701, WLOTA 0750)
from Apr 15&#65533;18. They will work with two stations in CW, SSB and RTTY
emphasizing 30m and the lowbands. QSL only direct via CE3FZ.
More information is available at: http://3g7c.blogspot.es

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

15Apr-18Apr 3G7C 1775 *
-30Apr 3G87IARU 1775 *
Unknown 3W7W 1768
-07May 3Z45HBW 1772
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772
Unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
15Apr-20Apr 5P4LO 1775 *
21Mar- 5T0JL 1772
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674

2012 6D0LM 1774
13Apr-18Apr 6H6IARU 1775 *
Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
12Apr-21Apr 8Q7UY 1775 *
10Apr-24Apr 9M0L 1774
08Apr-11Apr 9M2/R6AF/6 1774
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
03Apr-30Apr CN2RN 1773
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Apr -Jun CY0/VE1AWW 1774
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr? D2SG 1748
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
10Apr-12Apr DL7UXG/p 1774
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763
14Apr-30Apr DT12AWC 1775 *

23Mar-26Mar E51EWP 1772
11Apr-14Apr E51EWP 1772
08Apr-27Apr E51BKM.. 1774
-31Dec E720RS 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
14Apr/15Apr EJ0PL 1775 *
12Apr-26Apr FG4KH 1775 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
24Mar-14Apr FR/F5UOW.. 1772

-Jul FR8NE 1710
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771
15Apr GB0TI 1775 *
14Apr-15Apr GB100GGM 1775 *
06Apr-26Apr GB100MGY 1774
14Apr/15Apr GB100MUC 1775 *
13Apr-15Apr GB1HMGY 1775 *
Apr GB1OOC 1775 *
15Apr GB2ICE 1775 *
08Apr-20Apr GB2WG 1774
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Apr GI100MGY 1773
12Apr-18Apr GI2012MGY 1775 *
07Apr-13Apr GM6TW 1774
10Apr-15Apr GR100MGY 1774
16Apr-21Apr GS4MWS/p 1775 *
Apr GX4BJC/A.. 1774

17Apr-30Apr HF87WARD 1775 *
-12May HH8/EA3OW 1775 *
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764
-Apr HS0ZIQ 1765
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
07Apr-15Apr IR8ACN 1775 *
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-15Apr JG8NQJ/JD1 1762
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
04Apr-11Apr KP2/AG1LE 1774

-11Apr LY22A 1771
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
Apr M100T 1774
01Apr-15Apr NH7DX 1773
13Apr-15Apr NU2L/6.. 1775 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
01Apr-30Apr OO100MGY.. 1773
14Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775 *
07Apr-14Apr OZ/DF1XC.. 1774
01Apr-28Apr PH100MGY 1773
05Apr-13Apr PH4RTM/WHE 1774

-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

-30Apr S540DKR 1770
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
NOW ST2AR 1745
09Apr-16Apr SV5/IZ4AKS 1774
-Apr T6BP 1746
-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
08Apr-22Apr TM27UFT 1774
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
07Apr-08May TM95BA 1774
-Jul TN9SN 1755
16Apr-30Apr TO3X 1775 *
-16Apr TJ6RM 1775 *

-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Apr-22Apr VI4MGY 1775 *
14Apr/15Apr VO1MCE.. 1775 *
08Apr-16Apr VP2MFF.. 1774
20Mar-11Apr VP52V.. 1772
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-30Apr XL3T 1771
14Mar-16Apr XV2RZ 1771
-12Jun XV2W 1774
12Apr-20Apr XV4HP.. 1773
Unknown XW3DT 1766/1771
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* new or updated
.. end other calls

QSL information

3G7C via CE3FZ (d)
3G87IARU via CE3AA (B)
4KS0NG via RU3SD (B)
4O8A via S50A (B)
5P4LO via ON4LO (B)
6H6IARU via N7RO (B), (L)
8Q7UY via UT5UY (B)
9A203XM via 9A3XM
9M2/R6AF/p via R6AF (B)
A35XG via JA1XGI (B)

A65OO via NI5DX (B)
C91KHN via ZS6ALB
CO5FM via PA3ACA (B)
CO6LE via EA5GL (d)
CO6YAC via KJ4QHL (B)
CO8LY via EA5ADH (d)
CR2T via CU2AF (B)
CR3A via CT3EE (d)
CT8/DL5AXX via DL5AXX (B)
CT8/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
CT8/K0RUI via K0RUI
DF60JFA via DJ1TO (B)
DP0GVN via DL5EBE (B)
DT12AWC via DS2GOO (B)
EA8/DL3ASM via DL3ASM (B)
EH3MGY via EB3JT (B), (L)
EH4FCF via EA4DOC (B)
EJ0PL via EI5JQ (B)
EM100N via UT8NT (B)
F8ATS/6W via F8ATS (B)
FG4KH via F1DUZ (d)
FK8GX via W3HNK (d)
FO8RZ via F5PHW (B), (L) (*)
FO8RZ/P via F5PHW (B), (L) (*)
FO8WBB via N6JA (B)
GB100GGM via MW0LAO (B)
GB100MUC via (B)
GB1HMGY see QRZ.com
GB1OOC via MW0DHF (B)
GB2ICE via G0KOK (B)
GB4T via M0DOL (B)
GI2012MGY via GI4GOS (B), (L)
GS4MWS/p via M0PAI (B)
HF87WARD via eQSL., (d)
HH8/EA3OW via EA3OW (B)
IR8ACN via IK8PXZ (B)
KP4EIT via EA5GL (d)
LZ1437MGS via LZ1KCP
N3C via W3DQ (B)
NU2L/6 via G3ZAY (B)
ON100TT via ON4WDL (B)
OR100MGY via ON6KNH (B)
OZ/DF9TM via DF9TM (B)
PH100MGY via PA3CAL (B)
PI9SRS via PD0MP (*)
SV1OAA/8 via SV1OAA
T88RA via JH1RMH (B)
TO3X via ON4CIT (B), (L)
TJ6RM via OM3CGN (B)
V44KAI via W5TFW

VE0MGY/mm via VO1VCE
VI4MGY see QRZ.com
VO1MCE see QRZ.com
VP9HE via W2AF
W6/M0HSW via M0HSW
XE1/DL3DUE via DL3DUE (B)
XV3W via F6BUM (d)
YR10XF via YO4KAK

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: HU2DX (DH7WW)

QSLs arrived bureau: 5X1NH (G3RWF), 9L5MS (PA3AWW), BD9AFM, KL7YK, PS2T,
TP50CE (F5LGF), VK5AUQ (PA2C), VU2XO (6 years), YC9BEC,
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519. eHam.net News for Tuesday 10 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-10 22:44:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f6465d166087d04bd5add6a@google.com>
Source record: 3286
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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NASA Spacecraft Spot Something New On the Sun:

Posted: 09 Apr 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28069

ScienceDaily (Apr. 9, 2012) -- One day in the fall of 2011, Neil Sheeley, a solar scientist at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C., did what he always does -- look through the daily images of the sun from NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO). But on this day he saw something he'd never noticed before: a pattern of cells with bright centers and dark boundaries occurring in the sun's atmosphere, the corona. These cells looked somewhat like a cell pattern that occurs on the sun's surface -- similar to the bubbles that rise to the top of boiling water -- but it was a surprise to find this pattern higher up in the corona, which is normally dominated by bright loops and dark coronal holes.

520. The ARRL Contest Update for April 11, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-11 05:34:10 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120411045228.0C95520900@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3287
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Definitely make a hole in your schedule to give the ARRL Rookie
Roundup's <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> SSB edition a try - it's
a contest specifically for new hams. If you want to give DXing a try,
tune for the Japan International DX or YU DX Contest and listen for
these stations calling CQ.

BULLETINS

The ARRL Frequency Measuring Test
<http://www.arrl.org/frequency-measuring-test> (next Thursday evening
in North America, April 19th) will use an 80 meter frequency near 3575
kHz (not 3569 kHz as in the text of the QST article - the schedule
table is correct). The ending announcement of the 40 meter segment will
include the approximate frequency on 80 meters.

The MT QSO Party is on Apr 14/15, not Apr 7/8, and has shortened the
log deadline significantly to 7 days.

BUSTED QSOS

The NEQP was the first of the large regional QSO parties to sustain a
presence on the bands, first running in 2002, followed by the 7QP in
2006. (Thanks, Tom K1KI)
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John KS6M reminds your editor that it was the Ditto machine - not a mimeograph - that required the use of solvent to transfer the usually-purple wax to our tests and handouts. Relive those days of yesteryear via the Wikipedia entry on spirit duplicators <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spirit_duplicator>.

And of course, in the table of SS results, there were five entries, not three. Three remains not equal to five, even for very large values of three.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

April 14-15

- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Apr 11)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Apr 11)
- ARRL Rookie Roundup--Phone
- EU Spring Sprints--CW
- Montana QSO Party
- Japan International DX Contest--CW
- New Mexico Centennial QSO Party
- EU Spring Sprints--Phone
- QCWA Spring QSO Party
- Georgia QSO Party
- Yuri Gagarin DX Contest--CW
- Run For the Bacon--CW
- International Vintage Contest
- VHF Spring Sprints (Apr 17)

April 21-22

- Holyland DX Contest (Apr 20)
- TARA Skirmish Dig Prefix Contest
- ES Open HF Championship
- CQMM Contest--CW
- Michigan QSO Party
- EA QRP Contest--CW
- South Dakota QSO Party
- Ontario QSO Party
- Feld-Hell New Member Sprint
- YU DX Contest--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Congratulations to Jim Reisert AD1C <http://www.ad1c.us/> on his election to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame <http://www.cqww.com/hof_history.php>! Jim was nominated by the Southeastern DX Club <http://sedxc.org/> for this most prestigious honor. Jim is best known for his long and careful maintenance of the CTY files used by nearly every contest logging program. Jim will be inducted at the Dayton Contest Dinner during the Hamvention. (Thanks, Bill N4NX)

The ARRL Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> takes to the airwaves on April 15th - with this running come the new categories of multioperator entries and Rookie team competition. Implemented after requests from all of you out there in radiosport land, both are great ways to get new operators on HF, especially clubs. The April edition of Rookie Roundup takes place using SSB (Aug is RTTY and Dec is CW) so limber up those PTT switches. You can use a standalone logging program (N1MM supports RR, for example) or use the new In The Log <http://www.inthelog.com/> online logger.

All of those big QSO parties (NEQP, 7QP, INQP) on the first weekend of May can accept combined logs and will sift out "their" QSOs for you. N1MM software can handle the multiple QSO parties by choosing QSOPARTY under Log Type, then pick the IN7QPNE under "State for log type". CQ/X <http://www.no5w.com/> also supports several other combinations of QSO parties and will split the log into individual contest submissions. (Thanks, Tom K1KI, Dick K7XU, Steve N2IC, and Chuck NO5W)

WRTC 2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship competition, is pleased to announce that the tribander antennas to be used for the competition will be the Cycle 24 Antenna Products Company <http://www.cycle-24.com/antennas.htm> TX38. The antenna has 8 full-sized elements (2 elements each on 20 and 15 meters and 4 elements on 10 meters) on a 14.5 foot (4.4 meter) boom and weighs only 30 pounds. It will be commercially available in July. (Thanks, WRTC 2014 Co-chair, Randy K5ZD)

The revised rules for the 2012 IOTA Contest <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/riota.shtml> now appear on the RSGB Contest Committee website. The World Multi-Operator category has been discontinued, Island Multi-Operator stations must observe a "6 band mode/band changes per hour" rule and must identify Run and Multiplier stations in their log. The score for non-island to non-island QSOs is reduced from 3 points to 2 points and Low Power island expedition stations can now choose any antenna that they want. (Thanks, IOTA Contest Manager, Don G3XTT)

A video presentation on digital-mode contesting by ARRL Publications Manager, Steve WB8IMY was recorded and has been posted to the Potomac Valley Radio Club's website <http://www.pvrc.org/>. It is accessible via the Recorded Webinars link. (Thanks, PVRC President, Ken K4ZW)

A recent EE Times "Ham Radio Today <http://www.eetimes.com/electronics-blogs/other/4370279/Ham-radio-today?cid=NL_MicrowaveRF&Ecosystem=microwave-rf-design>" column details one route into the engineering field - ham radio - as taken by Jack N3ALO who also writes the "Break Points <http://www.eetimes.com/electronics-blogs/21/Break-Points>" column for Embedded System Design. (Thanks, Dave KU4B)

Here are some guidelines for RTTY contesting by Ed W0YK. They are aimed at CW/SSB contesters to help them learn the "ways and means" of digital contests.

1. Although strange to CW/SSB Sprinters, it is common practice in all RTTY contesting to end CQ messages with 'CQ', and only 'CQ' after your call sign(s).

2. Just send your call sign once or twice depending on the specific situation. No need to send it twice if once will get through. You just need to balance brevity (speed) vs. reliable communication.

3. Generally send unique exchange elements twice. This definitely applies to the serial number in RTTY contests but use judgment for the NAME and QTH.

RTTY serial numbers really do need to be sent twice because a small noise spike could transform one number and you'd never know it by ear like you do on CW and SSB.

Web Site of the Week - Here's another interactive map - this one shows "live" wind predictions <http://hint.fm/wind> across the US. Click on the map to zoom in and click the "Unzoom" button at left to restore the original view. This map does put a load on the web browser software so it might bog down with an older PC. (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

WORD TO THE WISE

Self-spotting - the practice of posting your own call sign and frequency on the spotting networks (or asking someone else to do it for you) is specifically not allowed in nearly all contests - even for Assisted, Unlimited, and multi-operator entries. Why? Because it's a form of CQing that takes place outside the amateur bands. This includes websites like Facebook, Twitter feeds, chat rooms, instant messaging and other Internet gadgets. Don't do it!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Rem K6BBQ produced a YouTube video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q1molUU62uc&feature=colike> of his recumbent bicycle mobile QRP operation in last year's Salmon Run, a.k.a. the Washington State QSO Party. He logged some miles alongside San Francisco Bay, ate carnitas, and contacted several stations in Washington - all on the go!

The K5QE team has been making a lot of noise and working hard in recent VHF+ contests. Here's a video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_OT80LMUVBY> all about this big and growing station. (Thanks, Dick N6AA)

If you're getting ready for the Dayton Hamvention <http://www.hamvention.org> in May here's a video about the early years <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0mwimZ6xt6c> of this super-sized ham radio convention and hamfest. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

April 1st isn't so far gone that a chuckle's not still in order. Take a look at this Wouff Hong garden <http://rettysnitch.org/>.

Got several thousand diskettes full of logs and don't have time to transfer them? Try this handy diskette reading robot <http://www.fark.com/vidplayer/7029870>! (Thanks, Sean KX9X)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The world has returned to normal with the publication of the Poisson d'Avril Contest results <http://poissondavril.webs.com/2012results.htm>. I believe sponsor, log checker, and prize manager Doug K1DG is already hard at work on next year's results, too!

Results from the 2011 New England QSO Party <http://www.neqp.org/> have been posted. Certificates will be mailed out during the next week and plaques shortly afterwards. (Thanks, Tom K1KI)

The CWJF Group has released results of the 2011 CQMM DX Contest <http://www.cqmmdx.com/>. (Thanks, Luc PY8AZT)

The results of the 2011 JIDX CW <http://jidx.org/> contest have been posted. The JIDX committee is processing the 2011 SSB logs and expects to have them online before long. (Thanks, Tack JE1CKA)

Online databases of contest results are yours for the browsing. Steve N2IC recommends Pileup <http://pileup.ru/> and Bob N6TV the DXwatch 3830 report finder <http://www.dxwatch.com/ct_scores>.

OPERATING TIP

How do you hear through static crashes? The Topband reflector <http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/topband> tackled that topic in March and you can follow the discussion via the online archives <http://lists.contesting.com/pipermail/topband/>. Search for "static" in the thread view and you'll find the messages.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Radio Arcala <http://www.radioarcala.com/> team member Toni OH2UA was at the controls of CQ8X for a serious contest operation in the Azores for WPX SSB. That's not unusual. What was unusual is that the 4543 contacts were made over a remote link across the Internet - 4500 kilometers from the actual station! Remote operation is becoming more and more common. Big scores like CQ8X's 15 million points show that remoting can work well!

Magazine Roundup

- QEX <http://www.arrl.org/qst-qex-ncj> for March and April contains a terrific article by Rudy N6LF on elevated radials and the many factors that affect their performance. (Rudy also added a great deal of material on radials and the effects of ground to the 22nd edition of the ARRL Antenna Book.)
- Electronic Design's Louis Frenzel (also known as W5LEF) covers digital modulation with a nice survey of techniques and performance <http://electronicdesign.com/article/communications/Understanding-Modern-Digital-Modulatio

n-Techniques-64598>
in the February 9, 2012 issue and the "Ideas for Design" section
includes a useful passive circuit for audio tone control
<http://electronicdesign.com/article/analog-and-mixed-signal/simple-circuit-offers-single-adjustment-tone-control>.
- Gary K9AG's new magazine RF Technology International includes a
tutorial or introduction every month. February's tutorial was titled
"The Characteristics and Causes of Phase Noise
<http://rfti.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/RFTI0212_PhNoise.pdf>". The
issue also included a forward-looking article on energy-efficient
transmitters
<http://rfti.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/RFTI0212_McCune.pdf> by
Earl McClune.
- Popular Mechanics <http://www.popularmechanics.com/> for April
includes a way to make good use of that old barbeque cart - as a
rolling workbench - in "The Recycler". In the same issue, the NES
ThreadMate <http://angloamericantools.com/> gets a nod as an effective
universal thread cutter to repair damaged bolts - a handy thing to have
in the tower-top tool bucket!

The Instructables website
<http://www.instructables.com/id/Soldering-Assistant/> features a nice
application of 3D printing with a combination printed-circuit board
holder and parts drawer. If you have access to one of these handy
devices - I think I need one! - you can soon have yourself a new
workbench gadget.

Ken W0LSD offers an inexpensive method of improving your rotator's grip
on the antenna mast. "Go to your local tire shop and get an old inner
tube. Cut a piece that will fit in the area between the rotor clamp and
the mast. When you tighten the clamps it is almost impossible for the
mast to turn. It also seems to act as somewhat of a cushion for
vibration and I have not had nuts loosen on the U bolts." Dan N5AR
observes that baler belting is another similar material and widely
available in hay country.

Pat AA6EG discovered a source of HV air-dielectric capacitors. His
local Goodwill store has large numbers of air cleaners, each of which
includes a low-current HV supply, for a few dollars. The capacitor
consists of a stack of well-insulated interlaced metal plates with 1/8
to &#65533;-inch spacing through which the fan pulls incoming air to trap the
dust.

To minimize noise conducted from a tower attached to a building, John
NA6L recommends some form of sound insulation between the tower and the
house brackets or between the brackets and the structure. He added some
1/4" thick by 2" wide strips of neoprene between the tower legs and the
house bracket and that got rid of about 70% of the noise. Perhaps this
is another use of that baler belt mentioned previously!

Jim VE7RF points out that a safety choke at the output of an
amplifier's pi network may not work when the amplifier is in receive
mode. To function in both receive and transmit, the choke should be

connected directly to the center conductor of output coax connector. This point is in-circuit at all times.

A cheap heat gun (~$20) can make quick work of desoldering a PCB, says MAKE <http://makezine.com/> author Steve Hobley. Place the PCB upside down over a bucket, heat the board with a stream of hot air, and listen to the parts drop off.

Tim K3LR reports clearing an audio distortion problem on an IC-7700 by resetting the radio's firmware. Some configuration setting had been changed - no one remembers which or why - causing problems with the output audio. Now added to the Pre-Contest K3LR Checklist - resetting all of the radio firmware to the factory defaults so that changes made (and forgotten) in the heat of the contest are not carried forward unwittingly to cause problems in the next contest. That returns all filters back to "normal", clears VFO settings, all examples of the innumerable small details that you never think of when sitting down to the radio with the pre-contest adrenaline pumping.

Technical Web Site of the Week - After the story about the Q-Up Now <http://www.q-upnow.com/> NVIS propagation prediction tool in ARRL Propagation Bulletin ARLP014 <http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation>, Marv N5AW also recommended the GRAFEX <http://www.ips.gov.au/HF_Systems/7/1/4> prediction tool from IPS to get a prediction for conditions over any path, over the current day. (Not all browsers will recognize the applet and may require an upgrade of the Java package.) Just click on any two points of interest on the map, watch the green arc indicating the path, then click on the "Do Prediction" button. The result is a very basic rendering using plain ASCII characters. The OWF figure represents "Optimum Working Frequency." (Thanks, Tad K7RA)

==> CONVERSATION

On Your Marks!

There is nothing better than a good sprint contest...except maybe a good ramble through a large hardware emporium on a construction safari, designing as you go. Inspired by the adaptation of a breaker-box ground lug above, I thought, "Why not combine the two? We've all seen the videos of "Junkyard Wars" - how about "Hardware Wars"?

Around the ARRL Lab, Zack W1VT is well-known for his "Le Mans Start" to Field Day - beginning with a pile of parts and assembling a QRP rig beginning at 1800Z on Saturday. And you thought putting up the antennas was hard!

So here's the idea and let's run with it, so to speak. On the appointed day, contestants, spectators, and judges gather in the parking lot of your favorite hardware emporium. (It might be a good idea to let the management know what you're up to...) The requirements are kept secret in sealed envelopes until the teams are allowed to open them. Only then do they learn what it is that they must build -

antenna, transmitter, tuner, or ???

And they're off! Baskets and carts in hand, they scour the shelves looking for adaptable and re-purpose-able parts that can be cobbled together into something approximately the desired result. Are they going to find proper electronic parts? Not likely! And that's most of the fun - seeing how creative minds can see the potential in a pile of plumbing parts.

Assembly - maybe that has to take place in the parking lot, too...with a strictly limited number of re-entries for additional material. Bring your own tools and work out of the back of the truck - just like real field engineers do! Each project should entail a mix of soldering, cutting, sawing, gluing, and all those things that make homebrewing so much fun.

Points for presentation? Oh, most definitely! The pattern of ventilation holes that make a happy face or bending the supports struts into the classic radio rhombic - extra points for sure! It does still have to actually, you know, work - but what would a classic Stratocaster be without its whammy bar and the 1959 Cadillac without its tail fins?

Devices that collapse, fly apart, melt, or let out the magic smoke - well, that's all part of the game and should be applauded for audacity. Just think of it as the homebrewing equivalent of skittles chess - no time for too much of the furrowed brow. Haul out the pliers and get 'er done!

Of course, what competition is complete without a post-finish trip to a local eatery or park for celebratory consumption? Awards, prizes, photos - all served up with a smile. It might be one of the best contests your club ever had and it's all within reach on the shelves and in the bins. Grab your shopping bags - ready, set, build!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

11 April through 24 April

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Rookie Roundup--Phone, from Apr 15, 1800Z to Apr 15, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Both calls, name, check, S/P XE# or "DX". Logs due: See web. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Apr 11, 0030Z to Apr 11, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time

(alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Apr 11, 1300Z to Apr 11, 0400Z, Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name, member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

EU Spring Sprints--CW, from Apr 14, 1600Z to Apr 14, 1959Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 3.550,7.025,14.040. Exchange: Both callsigns, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eu-sprint.com/>

Montana QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 14, 0000Z to Apr 16, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432. Exchange: S/P/C or MT county. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.fvarc.org/>

Japan International DX Contest--CW, from Apr 14, 0700Z to Apr 15, 1300Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, JA prefecture or CQ Zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://jidx.org/>

New Mexico Centennial QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 14, 1400Z to Apr 15, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: CW-1.85, 3.55, 7.045, 14.05, 21.05, 28.05, 50.095; SSB-1.85, 3.815, 7.26, 14.28, 21.38, 28.38, 50.13. Exchange: Call sign, name, and NM county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 5. Rules <http://www.swcp.com/%7En5zgt>

EU Spring Sprints--Phone, from Apr 14, 1600Z to Apr 14, 1959Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Frequencies: 3.730,7.050,14.250. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eu-sprint.com/>

QCWA Spring QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 14, 1800Z to Apr 15, 1800Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call,year lic'd,name,QCWA chap or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.htm>

Georgia QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Apr 14, 1800Z to Apr 15, 0359Z and Apr 15, 1400Z to Apr 15, 2359Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 1.815, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045, 50.095; Phone 1.865, 3.810, 7.225, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450, 50.135. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or GA county. Logs due: May 15. Rules <http://www.georgiaqsoparty.org/>

Yuri Gagarin DX Contest--CW, from Apr 14, 2100Z to Apr 15, 2100Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, ITU Zone. Logs due: May 7. Rules <http://gc.qst.ru/en>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Apr 15, 0200Z to Apr 15, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

International Vintage Contest--Phone,CW, from Apr 15, 0700Z to Apr 15, 1000Z and Apr 15, 1300Z to Apr 15, 1600Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 7,14. Exchange: RS(T), grid square. Logs due: May 30. Rules <http://www.contestvintage.beepworld.it/>

VHF Spring Sprints--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 17, 7 PM to Apr 17, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 222. Exchange: Grid square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints

Holyland DX Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 20, 2100Z to Apr 21, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or Israel district. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.iarc.org/>

TARA Skirmish Dig Pfx Contest--Digital, from Apr 21, 0000Z to Apr 21, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: Name, prefix. Logs due: May 17. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_dpx_rules.html>

ES Open HF Championship--Phone,CW, from Apr 21, 0500Z to Apr 21, 0859Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5,7. Exchange: RS(T), serial, dupes OK once/hour. Logs due: May 20. Rules <http://www.erau.ee/>

CQMM Contest--CW, from Apr 21, 1200Z to Apr 22, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, continent, and category. Logs due: Jun 30. Rules <http://www.cqmmdx.com/>

Michigan QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Apr 21, 1600Z to Apr 22, 0400Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW 45 kHz from band edge, Phone 3.825, 7.200, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450. Exchange: Serial and MI county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqp.org/>

EA QRP Contest--CW, from Apr 21, 1700Z to Apr 22, 1300Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, category, M if EA QRP member. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.eaqrp.com/>

South Dakota QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 21, 1700Z to Apr 22, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW - 3.58, 7.035, 14.07; Phone - 1.845, 3.855, 7.180, 14.255, 21.355, 28.455 on SSB; RTTY - 3.585, 7.038, 14.075, 21.075; PSK - Clg Freq. Exchange: RS(T) and SD county or S/P/C. Logs due: Jun 1. Rules <http://www.w0blk.org/>

Ontario QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Apr 21, 1800Z to Apr 22, 0500Z and Apr 22, 1200Z to Apr 22, 1800Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: Multiple operating periods; CW 30 kHz above band edge; Phone 1.870, 3.735, 3.860, 7.070, 7.260, 14.130, 14.265, 21.260, 28.360; VHF-SSB: 50.130, 52.540, 144.205, 146.550. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C or Ontario QTH. Logs due: May 18. Rules <http://www.va3cco.com/>

Feld-Hell New Member Sprint--Digital, from Apr 21, 2000Z to Apr 21, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

YU DX Contest--CW, from Apr 21, 2100Z to Apr 22, 0500Z and Apr 22, 0900Z to Apr 22, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Multiple operating

periods. Exchange: RST and ITU zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.yu1srs.org.rs/dl/yudx/yudxmain.html>

VHF+ CONTESTS

VHF Spring Sprints--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 17, 7 PM to Apr 17, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 222. Exchange: Grid square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

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- April 11 - RSGB Commonwealth Contest <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/rberu.shtml>

- April 11 - NSARA Contest, SSB <http://nsara.ve1cfy.net/nsaracst.htm>
- April 12 - Wisconsin QSO Party
<http://www.warac.org/wqp/wiqp_rules.htm>
- April 14 - FOC QSO Party
<http://g4foc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1143601>
- April 15 - Classic Exchange, CW
<http://www.classicexchange.org/jan12/jan12ann.html>
- April 15 - Classic Exchange, Phone
<http://www.classicexchange.org/jan12/jan12ann.html>
- April 15 - Virginia QSO Party
<http://www.qsl.net/sterling/VA_QSO_Party/2012_VQP/2012_VQP_Rules.html>
- April 15 - CLARA HF Contest
<http://www.claranet.ca/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=71&Itemid=67>
- April 15 - UBA Spring Contest, SSB
<http://www.uba.be/hf/contest-rules/spring-contest>
- April 15 - CQIR - Ireland Calling
<http://www.irts.ie/cgi/showrules.cgi?cqir/>
- April 17 - LZ Open 40m Sprint Contest
<http://www.lzopen.com/lzocc40/indexF.htm>
- April 17 - RSGB RoPoCo SSB
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/rropoco.shtml>
- April 18 - CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB <http://www.cqwpx.com/rules.htm>
- April 20 - Oklahoma QSO Party <http://k5cm.com/okqp2012rules.pdf>
- April 20 - SARL 80m QSO Party
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- April 21 - PODXS 070 Club PSK 31 Flavors Contest
<http://www.podxs070.com/31-flavors>
- April 23 - QRP ARCI Spring QSO Party
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8393/118/>
- April 24 - QRP Homebrewer Sprint
<http://www.njqrp.org/data/qrphomebrewersprint.html>
- April 24 - 144 MHz Spring Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules>

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521. Go daddy website make your life change

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-11 07:20:33 UTC
From: Anoop <anoopappukuttan1984@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5c860fae-98c9-467e-8889-7b37716991ee@jx17g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3288

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522. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 11 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-11 11:08:18 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303b4219bf93aa04bd6540f4@google.com>
Source record: 3289
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radar Systems on Shortwave

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ki5XCcDVbWE/radar_systems_on_shortwave.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wolfgang Hadel DK2OM has made available a report documenting HF Over The Horizon (OTH) radar systems used around the world including one on the East Coast of the UK

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CubeSats at the Naval Postgraduate School

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jp53n-k69Cs/cubesats_at_the_naval_postgraduate_school.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This summer researchers at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) hope to get one of their own CubeSats into space for the first time

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cNvx-VBbTlM/april_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Titanic special event station list

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/k6y7D22AfCg/titanic_special_event_station_list.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic now just days away, Ken Dumbill, G8JYV has found a very comprehensive list of Titanic special event stations which will be in operation for this historic event

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BBC - Warning over medical implant attacks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uO9XrJEztn4/warning_over_medical_implant_attacks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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T.C.S.W.A.T. at Gallipoli for AM and CW on ANZAC Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LVZ6VmHPOSw/tcswat_at_gallipoli.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Turkish Portable Operations team TCSWAT will be active again as TC57A
from Gallipoli for AM and CW on ANZAC Day

523. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 11 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-11 16:21:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73d3e66b04bd69a107@google.com>
Source record: 3290
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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CQ CQ Southwest Buddipole Users and anyone intrested!

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 09:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341745-CQ-CQ-Southwest-Buddipole-Users-and-anyone-interested!&goto=newpost

New Yahoo Group For Arizona: Southwest Buddipole Users Group (SWBUG)
Antenna For Portable Operations.

A bunch of Arizona hams have launched a Yahoo Group regarding the
Buddipole/Buddistick owners and users of the BP antenna system for our
unique SW environmental conditions here in Arizona and surrounding states.
Heat, aridity, dust, sandstorms, wind, desert and mountain topography,
upcoming hamfests, SOTAs (Summits On The Air) and get- togethers are
potential topics.

This is not a commercial group. We all are hams who are just happy and
satisfied to use the lightweight Buddipole system for portable
(backpackable, quick set-up for DX, NVIS, highly configurable for HF, VHF,
and UHF) including ARES/RACES operations and have found considerable
success. And we regional BP users will be pleased to travel to assist new
owners with set-up and tuning. See http://groups.yahoo.com/group/swbug/ .

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A New Book from amateur radio operator N9ABC, Steve Handler.

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 05:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341718-A-New-Book-from-amateur-radio-operator-N9ABC-Steve-Handler&goto=newpost

April, 2012

A New Book from amateur radio operator N9ABC, Steve Handler. I am pleased
to announce that my new book, "JUST THE FAX! A Shortwave Radio Listener's
Guide to Weather Facsimile Reception," was published in March and is now
available.

Called by many names including radio facsimile, WEFAX, and radio fax this
method of transmission is used by weather forecasting agencies around the
world to broadcast their weather maps, weather charts, satellite photos and
forecasts to many users around the globe simultaneously.

With a amateur transceiver that provides general coverage of the HF bands
(2-30 MHz), and a computer (PC or MAC) using the proper software you can

receive these entertaining broadcasts.

This book provides a step by step description of the author's experiences receiving these broadcasts. Beside the technical discussion and the examples of maps, charts and satellite photos, there are two sections filled with extensive data. The first section lists stations by frequency and the second section lists them in time order.

Additional information or questions may be directed to Steve Handler at n9abc@arrl.net

524. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 11 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-11 16:51:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517cc3ef7dcb504bd69d0d4@google.com>
Source record: 3291
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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100th Anniversary Commemoration Special Event Station WS

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 03:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341791-100th-Anniversary-Commemoration-Special-Event-Station-WS&goto=newpost

Only 3 days away from a very exciting Special event!! WØS Will be at the Titanic Museum in Branson, MO. The QRP-CW only Special Event will be Friday the 13th from 7PM till 10PM. Frequencies

40 Meters 7.055 to 7.060 MHz

80 Meter 3.555 to 3.560 MHZ

Then Starting at 8AM Saturday the 14th till 4PM Sunday the 15th The Main Event. We will have two SSB Stations and One CW station. Please watch are website www.w0s.org or our facebook Fan page for Operating Frequencies!!

The Event is open to the public. Please come by and see us. Also, if you would like to apart of this historic event please come down and operate! We have a hotel giving US a rate which can not be beat any where for a small vacation opportunity!! ONLY 30.00 dollars a night!! Go to the website for all the details!! Thank you Richard Vogt KB9YZE, ROD KITTLEMAN 422117_3527010460289_1422996440_33315201_667258327_n.jpgK0ADI WØS Titanic Event Coordinators.

Attached Images

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(18.6 KB)

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Concursar - Castellano

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 03:38 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341790-Concursar-Castellano&goto=newpost

CONCURSAR - Concurseros Argentinos - Argentine Contesters

http://ar.groups.yahoo.com/group/concursar/

Se trata de un equipo de Radioaficionados de habla Castellana con larga experiencia técnica y operativa en competencias internacionales reunidos

con el objeto de compartir sus conocimientos y experiencias, para enseñar, entrenar y promocionar todo aquello relacionado con la tecnología y las acciones operativas de los concursos de radioaficionados sin distinción de modos operativos.

Para concretarlo se ha creado un foro a través de Internet con carácter publico, gratuito y sin moderación ni censura, al que podrán integrarse todos los radioaficionados, radioescuchas y personas interesadas que esten dispuestos a contribuir con los objetivos basicos y que así lo deseen, con el único compromiso de respetar el espíritu y letra de su creación en el marco de los reglamentos, los códigos éticos y operativos de los radioaficionados.

Con el objeto de integrarse solo es necesario hacer su solicitud con su identidad real a traves de su señal distintiva o para el caso que aun no la posea, puede hacerlo con su nombre y apellido.

La base del exito del equipo esta fundamentada en el disenso sin polemica, el respeto sin ofensa, la discusion instructiva y por sobretodas las cosas la intencion de enseñar y de aprender en este marco sin distinciones de categorias o nivel de conocimientos.

:)CONCURSAR es la sintesis del respeto, sin moderadores ni presidentes, solo integrantes con la libertad de aprender y enseñar, donde todas las decisiones administrativas son adoptadas por el consenso de sus creadores, conocimiento y participácion de todos los integrantes.

La presentacion de una solicitud significa la aceptacion de los terminos expresados, la que debera ser aprobada pero solo con el objeto de evitar el ingreso de spam no deseado que pueda molestar al resto de los suscriptores.

Todos los mensajes seran de caracter publico y podran ser accedidos desde un navegador sin restriciones.

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USS Hornet ARC Special Ops for Doolittle Raid - April 14, 2012

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 10:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341757-USS-Hornet-ARC-Special-Ops-for-Doolittle-Raid-April-14-2012&goto=newpost

Hello All,

USS Hornet Amateur Radio Club and NB6GC will operate an event on

April 14 to remember the Doolittle operations from USS Hornet, CV-8

in April of 1942. Although this operation was conducted from the

earlier USS Hornet and not from USS Hornet, CV-12, the sixteen B-25

bombers were loaded on CV-8 here at Alameda Naval Air Station on

April 1, 1942 and after a voyage across the Pacific, they were

launched on April 18 while 650 miles from Japan. You can

read about the operations at:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Doolittle_Raid

HARC will combine our monthly club meeting with radio operations for

the event. We will look for QSOs on HF bands from 0930 till 1700 PDT.

QSOs will be mainly on SSB and PSK-31, but also CW if an operator is
available.

Most Navy communications in 1942 were carried out in CW. Additionally, if
possible,

we will transmit a Morse Code practice broadcast using text about the
Doolittle Raid.

Certificates and QSL cards will be offered for the event.

Look for NB6GC on 7.2150 MHz, 14.3150 MHz, and 21.3150 MHz on SSB.

PSK will be on the usual PSK frequency on each band. CW Practice broadcasts

will be around 7.1150 MHz at various speeds.

So if you plan to come to USS Hornet on April 14 for the HARC

meeting, try to come earlier and stay later to get on the air. Help

is also needed to design a QSL card for the event.

Thanks and 73 de KO6NO.

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525. Go daddy website make your life change

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-11 19:33:07 UTC
From: susan08880@gmail.com
Message-ID: <9105823.15.1334172787824.JavaMail.geo-discussion-forums@pbvy6>
Source record: 3292

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URL: http://x.co/i56O
URL: http://www.neobux.com/m/v/

526. eHam.net News for Wednesday 11 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-11 22:32:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403c777f1f004bd6ed1ad@google.com>
Source record: 3293
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Historical Society Showing Ham Radios Used By Kilby:

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 05:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28075

Years before Jack Kilby invented the integrated circuit, the future Nobel Prize winner was learning about electronics at a Radio Shack at 12th and Monroe in Great Bend. Now the Barton County Historical Village and Museum is displaying some of the objects that sparked young Kilby's interest in science. "The Inspiration -- How a Ham Radio Sparked the Internet Age," offers visitors a rare opportunity to view first-hand objects never displayed to the public, said Beverly Komarek, executive director of the Barton County Historical Society. Included in the exhibit are two ham radios that belonged to the J. Roy Evans family, who ran the store. "They were the first two ham radios that Jack Kilby ever laid his fingers and eyes on," Komarek said. "They were his first taste of 'electronics,' and that was in the 1930s." Dr. Donald Walters of the Post Graduate Naval Academy in Monterey, Calif., is the grandson of Roy Evans and has loaned the radios to the Barton County Historical Society. Evans will visit the museum the morning of Saturday, April 28. Doors will open at 9:30 a.m., and at 10 a.m. he will talk about how a family friendship encouraged young Jack Kilby to pursue his passion for science and technology. Included in the morning's events will be a hands-on demonstration of an original calculator and a discussion of the 1933 and 1938 Sky Champion ham radios to be displayed at the museum. In a letter to Walters several years ago, Kilby mentioned that he himself had purchased a Sky Champion after he got his amateur radio license.

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Radio Operators Prep for Blizzard of the Century:

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 05:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28074

ASHLAND -- Licensed amateur radio users in Ashland, Richland and Huron counties are preparing for nearly three feet of snow this Saturday. They're expecting power outages, cars stranded along highways and communications to be down. A lot of people may find the scenario familiar. "Basically, we are simulating the Blizzard of '78," said Mark Rafeld, director of the Ashland County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. Rafeld initiated the tri-county effort. "We're testing our capabilities via radio," said Robert Palm, secretary for the Ashland Amateur Radio

Club. "There are circumstances when cellphones might not be available, so we would need to rely on radio."

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Amateur Radio on the Front Line During Titanic Disaster:

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 05:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28073

anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic this week, a museum in Wales is presenting an exhibit focused on amateur radio operator Artie Moore, the man who first transmitted messages about the sinking of the Titanic to local residents. At the time, his messages were met with disbelief since he was thousands of miles away from the Titanic. The exhibit, "The Titanic, the Mill and the Signal: Artie Moore and Titanic's SOS," will also explore "life at the turn of the century in Wales, as well as the local area's links to Titanic in this 100th anniversary year of her sinking."

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Indian Designer Develops Morse-Based Texting for Deaf Phone Users:

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 05:27 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28072

An Indian graduate student has development a mobile phone application that enables people with sight and hearing impairments to send and receive text messages. The PocketSMS application was developed for Android smartphones, which are generally cheaper than Apple's iPhones. The application converts text into Morse code vibrations so that users can "feel" the message. Regular mobile phones already use vibrations to alert users to incoming calls or messages. Anmol Anand, a graduate student at the Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University in Delhi, realised that the same vibrations could also convey text message content. He used the open source Google App Inventor to write a new application to covert each letter in a text message into Morse code : in which each letter corresponds to a set of a short and long tones -- and then used the phone's hardware to vibrate for each letter. An accompanying application, MorseTrainer, has been designed to teach deaf-blind users Morse code, and to use it without having to rely on smartphone keyboards, which can be difficult to see.

527. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 12 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-12 06:31:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf300face70b883f04bd758236@google.com>
Source record: 3294
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Pierce county ares group 5th annual ham radio swap meet (patterson ga)

Posted: 11 Apr 2012 04:32 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341943-Pierce-county-ares-group-5th-annual-ham-radio-swap-meet-(patterson-ga)&goto=newpost

The 5th annual ham radio swap meet in patterson ga has been set for
saturday may 5th 2012 at the patterson lions park. The swap meet will start
at 7:30 am to 1:00 pm . Admission is free

location - 1.2 miles east of hwy 84 on hwy 32 - patterson ga. Bring your
own table / tailgaters are welcome. Talk-in frequency 145.270 (-600)(141.3)
secondary 145.370(-600)(141.3)

see you there!

73 kj4pow

528. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 15 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-12 08:30:04 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <f5da4db2-4c75-4000-a69b-429e9bafdfe3@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3295
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-04-15.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - April 15 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 15 2012.

MAYDAY WONNANGATTA

PROJECT HORUS FLYS SUNDAY

WIA NATIONAL FIELD DAY THIS WEEKEND

SKA RESULT UP IN AIR

5 YEAR OLD PASSES LICENCE EXAMINATION

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 15 2012.

At around 0930hrs 9 April 2012 a mayday call was made on 7090khz by VK3MAC
who was in the Wonnangatta Valley region in the highlands of Victoria.

A person in the camping party had some seizures and was in a bad way
medically. VK3MAC with the operator, Adam, made its way up to a hill in a
4WD with HF fitted and put the call out.

Jack, VK3AJK was the first to respond and took control of the frequency and
the situation. He ascertained the location, situation etc. and contacted
emergency services.

VK3AJK then became the relay person between the emergency services and the camping party as the precise GPS coordinates were given out as was the specific medical condition. The decision was made that a medivac would occur via a rescue chopper.

Both parties were being received by Tony Lathouras, VK7VKT 5-9.

VK3MAC then indicated that he was going to return to the valley floor where the rest of the camping party, and the patient was with the final instruction from Jack, VK3AJK, that the rescue chopper asked that all vehicles in the camping party form a 50 metre circle in a clearing with hazard lights flashing.

The weather had started to close in by this time.

Upon reaching the valley floor VK3MAC put a call out which had dropped to 5-7 but perfectly readable into VK7 and VK3AJK had a perfect copy on him still.

Several calls were made to establish that contact was still available between the two and indicating that the patient was stable. Vk3MAC then indicated that all vehicles were in position.

Shortly after, he called back to say that the helicopter with a medical team had landed, and thanked Jack for his assistance.

It was asked several times with the same reply, that there was no mobile phone service in that area.

Hoping that patient has a speedy recovery and full points to Jack and Adam who worked calmly during this event.

(TONEMAN Tony Lathouras, VK7VKT)

Oceania DX Group activates Vanuatu

Do you need Vanuatu YJ0 for your DX Award?

The Oceania DX Group will be active on all HF bands from Vanuatu from 21st April until the 5th May.

A group of six VK operators will be operating three stations with special focus on the WARC bands as well as 80 and 160 metres. Operation on the lower bands will depend on conditions, but the team expects to have 160 metres operating through their local sunrise and sunset as a minimum.

The team will also make a special effort to keep one station active on digital modes. So listen out for YJ0VK

For more information visit yj0vk.odxg.org

(73 and good DX Chris VK3QB)

Closer to home Friday 20 April four Victorian amateurs will head toward the most southern point on mainland Australia. South Point is a rocky outcrop located at the southern end of the Wilsons Promontory National Park and is accessible only on foot. Peter VK3ZPF, Wayne VK3WAM, Kevin VK3KAB and

Trevor VK3ATB will be running QRP from 0000z on Saturday 21 April on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10m using both CW and SSB.

Contacts from South Point, or with the team on their return trip, can be used toward the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award sponsored by Amateur Radio Victoria.

Project Horus High Altitude Balloon Launch

The Project Horus high altitude balloon group, based in Adelaide, is planning a balloon launch this Sunday 15th April, shortly after the WIA Broadcast (planning to be in the air around 10-11am ACST).

This will be an amateur radio oriented balloon launch, with three payloads of interest to amateurs, intended to coincide with the WIA field days. The launch designation is Horus 23.

The group is planning on flying the FM voice repeater again. The repeater will operate with a 70cm uplink and a 2m downlink.

New frequencies will be used and they are;

Uplink: 438.900 MHz FM with a CTCSS Tone of 123Hz

Downlink: 144.650 MHz FM (in the 2m experimental segment) with a CTCSS tone of 123Hz.

Based on previous flights, it should be possible to access the repeater from up to 800km away at apogee, with about 30-50W. A beam will help overcome the inevitable FM capture effect problems. The downlink is easily audible on any reasonable Omni directional antenna, although if you are under the balloon's flight path you may see over 20dB fades. The tracking and recovery teams use cross dipoles on the roofs of the chase vehicles to help with the link budget and fading.

The Amateur Radio Experimenter's Group will be running net control on the voice repeater as VK5ARG from launch control in the Adelaide Hills.

APRS will fly on this flight on 145.175 MHz The expected callsign is VK5ARG-11. We will be also able to look at the new http://aprs.fi/ horizon ring prediction service on this flight. Telemetry format packets are now also broadcast on APRS.

The ever reliable primary 300 baud RTTY telemetry beacon will also fly - at this stage it will be on 434.075 MHz (note update) (+/- 5kHz thermal drift). This signal is used as part of the group's "distributed listener" telemetry network where any amateur receiving the data can upload what they are hearing over the internet.

The data, which is sent to the http://spacenear.us/tracker website, contributes to the landing zone predictions used by the chase teams. The chase-tracker teams have 3G Internet in their vehicles and are actively looking at that data, so it is one way amateurs can have a behind the scenes involvement in the flight's success. NOTE: this beacon only runs 25mW, however we have had people from the horizon and at times beyond still be

able to decode and contribute, so why not give it a go!

If you would like more information about the software setup required to participate in telemetry recovery take a look at our tracking page: http://projecthorus.org/?page_id=336

Confirmation that the flight is a go can only be given ultimately on the morning of the 15th. We are very much subject to the weather and have various constraints on where we are permitted to fly, so the potential for the mission to be scrubbed exists up until the last minute. We will endeavour to update the forum once we get closer, and will post notices on the DX Cluster once it is in the air. Flight time should be around 2 & 3/4 Hrs.

If you would like to find out more about Project Horus, please visit our website www.projecthorus.org/

or for some short films of our past activities, the Vimeo channel at http://www.vimeo.com/channels/projecthorus/

I am Ben, VK5BB for Project Horus and the Amateur Radio Experimenter's Group

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TARC Does the WIA National Field Day this Weekend

The WIA National Field Day will be happening this Saturday and Sunday April 14th and 15th and theTARCinc ran displays about the different aspects of Amateur Radio at the front door of Jaycar Electronics Townsville store in Ingham Road West End Saturday from around 7-30am.

Checking the WIA website at the time this dispatch was released -

just the following people or groups had registered to participate this year.

Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club, Port Macquarie Town Green.

Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club Shire Office Reserve Rosebud VIC.

Waverley Amateur Radio Society Outside Bondi Beach Pavilion.

Midland Amateur Radio Club Prince of Wales Showgrounds Bendigo.

Eastern & Mountain District Radio Club Jaycar Electronics Springvale.

WICEN (Vic) Mornington Peninsula region JAYCAR Electronics Frankston West.

Orana Region Amateur Radio Club Elston Park, Dubbo Dubbo NSW.

Alice Springs Amateur Radio Club Flynn Church Lawns, Alice Springs NT.

Radio and Electronics Assoc of Sth Tas (REAST) Jaycar Derwent Park.

WIA - Promoting Our Hobby

Greetings Everyone.

The first time you may be hearing this broadcast is while you are participating in the WIA National Field Day. This event is aimed at promoting our hobby and the diversity of interests Amateur Radio encompasses.

Everyone who has been involved in promotional events of any kind will have retained a mental record of how successful or unsuccessful the activity has been and the reasons for the outcome. The promotion of Amateur Radio is no different and from your or your Club's experience you will know what has been most successful in your community.

The Easter period is past and many Radio Amateurs will have visited friends and families or travelled to a holiday destination where there was an opportunity to operate our station in a portable role. Reflect on how we operated and how it would be viewed by a passer-by.

Was our operation covert or overt? That is, did we project a 'Go away! Don't disturb me!" aura or one which conveyed 'I'm enjoying this and I'm happy to welcome you and answer your questions.'

Unfortunately it is all too easy for us to project the former and loose the opportunity to foster interest in our hobby by those intrigued by what we are doing and enjoying but apprehensive about asking. By changing our attitude to be more overt and engaging about our hobby we can carry the message of the WIA National Field Day throughout the year to those non-amateurs who did not have the opportunity to pass or visit a WIA National Field Day station.

Thank you to all those individuals, groups and clubs participating in the WIA National Field Day activities.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board asking 'Who have you introduced to Amateur Radio to-day?'

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
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get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Welcome to QNews from VK4WIA. I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Hopefully the weather has been kind to the participants in the WIA National Field Day. As a recruiting and advertising method, the first 2 National Field Days certainly got the message out via the mass media. Here's hoping number 3 is as successful.

Just to keep the momentum going is the fast approaching ANZAC Day. Not only is this a day of solemn remembrance but also an opportunity to celebrate all

those whose service life depended on radio. As we have heard, there are groups of amateurs who will be running CW and AM, the main modes of the Second World War. Spark was the primary mode of the First World War but was banned by the time of the Great Depression.

Here is an opportunity for all amateurs to participate. For the F-calls, remember that many of the radios used during WWII operated at QRP levels so taking part on Anzac Day is following a 70 year old tradition. Check the net frequencies in "Amateur Radio" or the web.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

I'm Ray, VK4CF with news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

This weekend members of the Redcliffe Radio Club will be operating the special event station, VI4MGY, from the docks of the Queensland Maritime Museum, Southbank in Brisbane from 1000 hrs. Sunday until 1000 hrs. Monday.

At the end of today's news, or just before we end, in REWIND I'll pop back with much more detail on this TITANIC event, stay tuned!

The Wednesday group had some 40 members at the club house last Wednesday packing equipment for the weekend activity. One welcomed visitor was Ray, VK4UG and his XYL. Club President David, VK4DC, said that the car parking at the club was a nightmare but it was fantastic to see the club full of members all enjoying the Morning.

Next Monday night is the Technical talk By Kevin, VK4UH, it is a good one on meteor scatter.

Well this is about all at the moment and so it's 73 until next time from Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Recently I heard an f-call ask on-air about the performance of their HF antenna. It reminded me that in order for any learning to occur, there needs to be two elements that come together. While it's simple to ask questions among your friends, it takes a leap of faith to ask a stranger.

So, one of the elements you need is a Leap of Faith, "I have a problem and I wonder if anyone might be able to help."

For this leap of faith to pay off, you also need to gain access to the knowledge required to solve your problem. It can come in many guises, from "read the manual", through "I have done that and I solved it like this." to "Let me come over and give you a hand."

The second element that is needed is Generosity.

The interesting part for me
is how the discussion opens up many possibilities when experienced people enter the conversation. It's one thing to acknowledge the original Leap but two inexperienced people talking to each other about a problem when neither of them have more than rudimentary understanding is less than satisfying, both for the two people and for any listeners on frequency.

I'm glad to say that in this particular case some personal skill and knowledge was added to the discussion by some experienced hams, but I've also heard discussions where the blind were leading the blind.
While it is
possible that a question is asked by a novice f-call and answered by an experienced advanced-call, that is not always the case. In fact to me it seems, more often than not, the level of license bears little relation to a person's level of experience.

Amateur Radio is like an aural history, made of story tellers and listeners. If you don't tell your stories pretty soon you'll run out of listeners and the history dies.

So, no matter your place, taking a Leap of Faith, or
providing Generosity, remember that in order for the hobby to endure we need to keep talking.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

5 year-old passes Foundation exam

The Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club in the UK is proud to announce and congratulate its youngest new member Kayleigh Huntley on passing her Foundation exam at age 5 years.

While Kayleigh may well be the youngest to have passed her foundation test in the UK (Samuel Lewis KB9RYP and Sarah Bruno KB9SEG were just 4 years old when they got their amateur radio licenses in 1998), even though she holds a license to operate alone, this will not happen.

Kayleigh's only access to radio is via her Granddad Andy G7LRR, or at the Radio Club under supervision and very closely monitored.

Kayleigh has been involved in radio for over 3 years now, having been allowed to say hello on her granddad's radio to radio friends all over the world.

No Square Kilometre Array (SKA) site decision

We will have to wait till at least mid-May before it may be decided whether South Africa or Australia will be the country to host the SKA.

Members of the SKA Organisation met in Amsterdam on 4 April for their first general meeting. They noted the SKA site selection advisory committee's report and associated commentary that had been passed to them by the

SKA Organisation's board, which met last month in the UK.

The members wished to move ahead with the site selection process and recognised that it is desirable to maintain an inclusive approach to the SKA. They noted that it is important to maximise the value from the investment made by both candidate regions. A small scientific working group was set up to explore possible implementation options that would achieve this.

The working group will report back in mid-May.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

ELECTRONIC HERITAGE - SCHNECTADY MUSEUM GETS ALL GE VIDEO

And finally this week a story about the work of a museum doing all it can to preserve some of electronics past. Here's Jeff Clark, K8JAC:

The Schenectady Museum is using the YouTube dot com website to rebroadcast more than 1,000 of its General Electric films, which date back to 1915. According to the museum curator Chris Hunter, the archive was previously available only on 16 millimetre film and was viewed infrequently because of its physical condition and the cumbersome process to watch the films using an optical projector.

Hunter said that the museum had long wanted to digitize the collection in order to preserve it but until recently it had been cost prohibitive to do so. Now, thanks to grants from the Institute for Museum and Library Services and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers Life Members' Foundation, the museum was able to purchase a high-definition film transfer unit and hire and operator for it.

Among the film artefacts now existing in the digital domain are advertisements, raw footage of equipment tests, company picnics and promotional clips. Also transferred is the famed early television series titled the General Electric Theatre. It was hosted by former President Ronald Reagan.

The museum hopes to finish uploading all of its film transferred videos to YouTube in the next year. It will then begin digitizing its 1,200 video tape based archives. A direct link to what has already been uploaded and available for viewing is at tinyurl.com/ge-on-youtube

Again that U-R-L to screen all of those historic General Electric films is tinyurl.com/ge-on-youtube

CANADA BEGINS ISSUING 60 METER EXPERIMENTAL LICENSES

Canada has begun issuing experimental licenses
for the 60 meter band. Regulator Industry Canada
issued the first such developmental license on
April 2nd to Russ Hemphill, VE3FI, to use the call sign VX9GHD at 5 MHz

Canadian radio amateurs have been waiting three
years for an opportunity to join the USA, Britain
and other nations in making use of the 60 meter
spectrum. When a true Canadian amateur radio
allocation on 5 MHz meters might be approved is at this time unknown.

RADIO NETHERLANDS TO DROP DUTCH SHORTWAVE LANGUAGE BROADCASTS IN MAY

Radio Netherlands is in the news again with word
that the international broadcaster will terminate
Dutch language transmissions world-wide on May
11th. And to say farewell to Dutch speaking
listeners around the world the station plans to
hold a 24-hour marathon broadcast from 2000 UTC
on May 10th until 2000 UTC on May
11th. Frequencies and a listing of program
content should be posted soon to the Radio Netherlands Dutch
language website.

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IRTS NEWS DESK

Gi2012MGY

A special event station located in Belfast from on board the SS Nomadic,
Titanic's 'Little Sister'.

To mark the Centenary of the sinking of the Titanic, City of Belfast
Radio Amateur Society (CoBRAS) will be QRV on most HF bands, CW and SSB,
from on board 'the Nomadic' from 12th - 18th April.

The SS Nomadic is the only remaining historic link to the Titanic left
afloat, and she is also the last surviving White Star Line vessel in the
world. Like Titanic herself she was built at the shipyards of Harland and
Wolff in Belfast, and served as a tender to the Olympic and Titanic.

She is currently undergoing restoration work in the docks where she was built,
adjacent to the new Titanic Belfast visitor attraction.

International interest in all things 'MGY' is reaching extraordinary levels
and the extremely rare Gi2012 prefix is sure to add extra interest from
WPX hunters. CoBRAS members look forward to working many EI stations during
the week of activity from on board this unique ship.

Further information and QSL details can be found under Gi2012MGY at QRZ.com

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

WW FISTS TITANIC SPRINT April 15
VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

W1AW CLAIMS 5BDXCC

Nearly four decades after the introduction of the Five Band DXCC Award W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station has achieved this milestone.

"As with most stations, we found that 80 meters was our stumbling block," W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, explained.

W1AW's 5BDXCC plaque will hang in a place of honour at the station.

Prior to achieving 5BDXCC, W1AW held DXCC on 40 thru 10 meters for many years, but was always searching for the last few remaining entities on 80.

"Now that W1AW has 5BDXCC, we are gunning for DXCC Honour Roll," Carcia said. "Like with 5BDXCC, there are just a few more entities to go before W1AW can claim that award."

(sourced to arrl letter)

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Titanic disaster, the Marconi Radio Club of Newfoundland will be transmitting a special bulletin near 500 kHz, the distress frequency used by the radio officers of the Titanic to send their CQD call to Cape, Race Newfoundland. Please listen on 507.77 kHz CW for VX9MRC between 0001 and 0400 UTC on 15 April 2012. Please note this corresponds to Saturday night, 14 April, for listeners in the western hemisphere. For further information, please see the MRCN web page by searching for VO1MRC on the internet.

(Charles Marsh, VO1VZ NL Section manager - Radio Amateurs of Canada.)

North Cork Radio Group on the air for Marconi weekend

The North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre for Marconi weekend.

The callsign, EI 0 IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive.

Marconi Day is on 21st April this year.

This is Julian Sortland, currently MW/VK2YJS in North-West Wales.

The other day I went to Caernarfon, where Marconi had a number of transmission stations in the early 1900s, including the experimental

station used to send the first official radio message from Britain to Australia, back in 1918.

It was sent on behalf of Australian Prime Minister Billy Hughes, who was in Britain at the time, and who had just visited the troops in France. That message was received by Ernest Fisk, at his home in Wahroonga, in the north of Sydney.

This link allows the Hornsby and Districts Amateur Radio Club can participate in International Marconi Day, in which stations around the world celebrate Marconi's birthday, which falls on 25th April. As the event is on the nearest Saturday, this year it will be the 21st, and being an international event, this is the UTC day. Therefore, VK2IMD will be operating next Saturday from 10:00am Sydney time, through to 10:00am on Sunday, on various HF bands, and possibly 160m - mostly using SSB, depending on the operators.

It is also the 25th year for the global event, so the lead station, GB4IMD has a licence variation to use GB 25 IMD. Further information about the event search for "GB4IMD".

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

HF WebSDR in Sweden

An online Software Defined Radio (SDR) located in Sweden for the amateur radio 3, 5, 7 and 14 MHz bands is now available.

Located in Mora, Sweden, it is operated by SM4JLX e-mail sm4jlx@ssa.se and comprises 3 x Soft66lite receivers and band-pass filter.

You need both Java and JavaScript enabled for the WebSDR to work properly. If you don't hear anything, probably Java is disabled or its version is too old (i.e., pre-1.4.2).. .

Listen to the 3 band HF radio at
http://sk4ko-websdr.no-ip.org:8901/

Soft66lite
http://zao.jp/radio/66lite/

Radio Canada International announces end of its shortwave broadcasting

Spending cuts announced in Canada's latest federal budget have reached Radio Canada International.

Speaking to employees at RCI's headquarters in Montreal, RCI director Helene Parent declared that two out of three RCI employees---about 40 people, will lose their jobs by the end of July.

RCI's Russian and Portuguese sections will be closed along with the English and French-language newsrooms. All shortwave broadcasts will cease as well.

RCI will continue to exist solely on the Internet in five languages

English, French, Arabic, Spanish and Mandarin.

http://www.rcinet.ca/english/news/15_56_27_2012-04-04-rci-slashed/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Japanese Earth-Moon-Earth - Project Big Dish

A 2007 Japan-Broadcasting Corporation TV report about amateur radio
Moon bounce (EME) operation has just been made available on YouTube.

KDDI, one of the Japanese telecommunication services companies, had assigned
to make experimental cooperation with the Project BIG-DISH, composed of some
forty Japanese moon bouncers, and JARL.

The operation took place late February and early March, in 2007.

Watch 8N1EME-NHK-NEWS(NHK(Japan-Broadcasting Corp.))

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

After 20 years, Dot VK2DB has written her last ALARA newsletter.
Many thanks Dot for a fine job and keeping our listeners "in the loop"
ALARA wise.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

AS-109. CANCELLED

The RT9K/P DXpedition was cancelled because the temperature in Nadym was
climbing to over 0 deg C and the snow is melting.

The next few week's forecast also predicts higher temperatures which will
weaken the ice for the snowmobile and tricky for a boat to navigate.

The team has returned home to find a different method of transportation.

(sourced to kb8nw)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN Victoria are involved in 5 events during the next quarter.
If you are available to participate in any of these events, please
get in touch with the contact listed for the event.

Friday April 20th 2012
Oxfam Trailwalker
Jells Park to Warburton
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565
Email: ifm@live.com.au

Sunday April 22nd 2012
Wombat 100 Bike Ride
Woodend
Contact: John Weir VK3XD phone: 03 9431 0667
Email: zzrvelec@bigpond.net.au

Sunday April 29th 2012
Coordinators and Commanders Meeting
Box Hill
Contact: Mark Dods VK3ZR phone: 03 9849 0501
Email: madods@optusnet.com.au

Saturday May 5th 2012
East Gippsland Stages
Bairnsdale
Contact: Colin Pomroy VK3BLE phone: 03 5149 7228
Email: colinpomroy@bigpond.com

Sunday May 6th 2012
Kenda Nav Rally
Rubicon
Contact: Peter Weeks VK3YZP phone: 03 5772 1454
Email: weeksradio@virtual.net.au

Regards,
WICEN Secretary, secretary@vic.wicen.org.au

REWIND

Hereford Times - Titanic Messages

Richard Langford G4FAD has been helping to recreate the chilling messages sent from the Titanic just hours before it sank in the Atlantic with the loss of 1,517 lives.

Richard, a member of the Hereford Amateur Radio Society, was one of three radio enthusiasts invited to Liverpool to record the exact Morse code SOS calls sent from the doomed ship on April 14, 1912.

Read the Hereford Times newspaper story at
http://www.herefordtimes.com/news/9340562.Wellington_farmer_
helps_recreate_chilling_messages_from_the_Titanic

I'm Ray, VK4CF with more TITANIC news from Redcliffe & Districts Radio club.

This weekend members of the Redcliffe Radio Club will be operating the special event station, VI4MGY, from the docks of the Queensland Maritime Museum, Southbank in Brisbane from 1000 hrs. Sunday until 1000 hrs. Monday.

Bevan, VK4BCM, who is coordinating the Brisbane activities, said that currently there are some 39 stations participating worldwide.

Associated with the Titanic Day, is a worldwide contest CW contest to celebrate the two wireless operators who let the world know of the tragedy. One operator was rescued and the other lost his life whilst transmitting when the ship went down. The surviving operator after his rescue started to send out lists of survivors from the rescue ship until he reached the United States.

The contest is therefore a CW contest only.

In the contest, QSO with a dedicated Titanic station merits 10 points.
A "FISTS HQ" Station 5 points
FISTS Affiliated station 3 points
FISTS member station 2 points and
1 for non-members.

Logs should include date/call/ name/qth/time/fist number or non member points. Logs can be emailed to m0bpt@yahoo.co.uk or posted to R.D.Walker, FISTS, P.O.Box 6743, Tipton, DY4 4AU England.

The Redcliffe Club with association with the FISTS group have designed a beautiful QSL card and there is only one way to get one and that is to give the local guys a call either on 20, 40, and 80 metres in the CW segment of the band. If you want further information use the following computer link,

http://www.m0bpt.org.uk/Titanic%20SES/titanic.htm

ABC local radio 612, interviewed Bevan on Friday Afternoon Drive program and there is also a cross by Macca on his Sunday radio Program also on the local ABC radio.

Well this is about all at the moment and so it's 73 until you hear from me in QNEWS in the Queensland Zone. I'm Ray, VK4CF, from the Redcliffe club.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

APR 14-15 VK WIA National Field Day on now!

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

MAY 26 VK4 BARCFEST (a hamfest) Mt Gravatt Showgrounds 9am.

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

529. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 12 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-12 11:06:10 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2344ed8f989e04bd7957af@google.com>
Source record: 3296
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L_OpPnwEPKs/april_12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Friday and the weekend were fantastic but the rest of the week was just
about average. Although compared to 2 years or more ago, Monday through
Thursday would be great. It’s amazing how you can get used to 'good'
conditions on Ten Metres

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GB2CRF - Falklands 30th Anniversary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z-7UdT6yp9g/gb2crf_falklands_30th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Special Event station GB2CRF ('Clansman Radio Falklands') will be operated
by the Felixstowe and District Amateur Radio Society on Sunday 6th May

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JMR - World Amateur Radio Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rdksg6B4bhs/jmr_world_amateur_radio_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The JMR 'Journée Mondiale des Radioamateurs' is the ARP Radio-Club de Paris
award to celebrate IARU foundation in Paris on April 25th, 1925

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G0KSC to present at Dutch VHF-Day this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wC8xSDXgzsQ/g0ksc_to_present_at_dutch_vhf_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Justin, G0KSC (of InnovAntennas) has been invited to give a presentation at
the Dutch ‘VHF-day’ event to be held at Café-Zaal De Wielerbann on 14 th
April 2012

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Busy weekend for Cuba's amateur radio satellite group

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AJU4giwhfnc/busy_weekend_for_cuba_amateur_radio_satellite_group.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is going to be a busy weekend for Cuba’s recently-founded 'Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales' (GROS) with three satellite related activities planned

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Titanic - In Her Own Words

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2hcobYs3jVU/titanic_in_her_own_words.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To mark the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic, the BBC's Sean Coughlan narrates one of the most authentic versions of events in existence

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Titanic 24 Hour Sprint

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Lvywm4574cM/titanic_24_hour_sprint.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This event is in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the loss of the RMS Titanic on the April 15, 1912

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Getting 'spotted' for SOTA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eSOs5PdERkE/sota_1204.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In order to qualify for SOTA (Summits On The Air) points from a summit, an activator must make contact with at least 4 other stations and it is beneficial that they are 'spotted' on SOTAwatch so that they do not exhaust their limited battery power calling CQ

530. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 12 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-12 16:18:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83903d57cd3704bd7db56e@google.com>
Source record: 3297
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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The sinking of the Titanic

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341809-The-sinking-of-the-Titanic&goto=newpost

A very interesting version of the wireless narrative of the sinking of the Titanic is offered by the BBC World Service. BBC producers used computer generated voices of actual telegraphic exchanges to simulate the frantic network traffic.

I expect this is of deep meaning to all amateur radio operators. The very foundations of our service are clearly laid in this narrative. You'll hear urgency, courage and disbelief from the wireless operators. You'll hear our on-air jargon even as it is used today. You'll recognise network message frustrations. You will be amazed when you hear echoes of our amateur radio service as it is today--especially in times of disaster and recovery. Please have a listen.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00q89fy

The valent efforts of the wireless officer John George "Jack" Phillips as his ship sank are beyond description.

The sinking of the Titanic is of profound Canadian historical significance. Please listen for Canadian special events station:

CG1T (VE1CDD) 2012-04-01 to 2012-04-30; 100th Anniversary of the Titanic sinking.

531. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 12 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-12 16:46:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404059d583a04bd7e1977@google.com>
Source record: 3298
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Puerto Rico active again on World Amateur Radio Day

Posted: 12 Apr 2012 08:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342023-Puerto-Rico-active-again-on-World-Amateur-Radio-Day&goto=newpost

Puerto Rico active again for World Amateur Radio Day

Once again KP4FD will be on the air to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day this coming Wednesday April 18, 2012 on the 87th anniversary of the foundation of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). Activity will be on the HF bands on SSB. An electronic certificate will be available upon request and QSL will be available via eQSL and LoTW. QSL - via WP3GW. For additional information on other activations go to http://www.iaru-r2.org/ and about the PZK WARD award see http://suchacz.eu/articles.php?article_id=42

Una vez más, KP4FD estará en el aire para celebrar el Día Mundial de la Radioafición este próximo miércoles 18 de Abril, 2012 en el aniversario número 87 de la fundación de Unión Internacional de Radioaficionados (IARU). Actividad será en HF en SSB. Un Certificado electrónico estará disponible a petición via WP3GW. Confirmaciones serán vía eQSL y LoTW. Para más información de otras activaciones ir a http://www.iaru-r2.org/ y sobre el award del DMR del PZK via http://suchacz.eu/articles.php?article_id=42

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Hams In Space Team is Presenting at Ararat Hambash in Kansas City, Missouri

Posted: 11 Apr 2012 02:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341928-Hams-In-Space-Team-is-Presenting-at-Ararat-Hambash-in-Kansas-City-Missouri&goto=newpost

It□s almost time for The Ararat Shrine Hambash in Kansas City, Missouri on Saturday, April 21, 2012. Appearing again at this year□s Hambash will be Hams in Space, the team of Randy Schulze □ KDØHKD, Eddy Paul □ KYØF, and

Jeremy Widner, KØPDX, formerly known as the KC Amateur Radio Satellite Team.

They□ve dusted off and revised their informative and entertaining presentation on how to work the FM Amateur Radio Satellites for the 2012 Season.

Come visit one of the Midwest□s classis hamfests, and while there check out the presentation by Hams in Space!

Here□s the Hams in Space Schedule so far for 2012:

Saturday, April 21, 2012

2012 Ararat Shrine Hambash

5100 Ararat Drive

Kansas City, Missouri 64129

http://www.hambash.com

Saturday, July 14, 2012

2012 WAARCI Hambash by the Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

YES Building, 130 SW State Route 13,

Warrensburg, Missouri

http://www.waarci.org

Friday, July 20, 2012

Communiversity; University of Missouri, Kansas City

More Details Comming Soon,

Kansas City, Missouri

http://www.umkc.edu/commu/

Friday-Saturday, August 24-25, 2012

Joplin HAMFEST

More Details Comming Soon,

John Q.Hammons Convention Center

Joplin, Missouri

http://www.joplin-arc.org

Saturday, November 10, 2012

First Annual Raytown Amateur Radio Club HAMFEST

Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie #47

10220 East 47th Street

Kansas City, Missouri

http://k0gq.com/Raytown_2012_Hamfest.pdf

Interested in having the Hams In Space Team coming to your Amateur Radio Club, Hamfest, Or Event?

Go to our new web site, http://HamsInSpace.com to learn how you can schedule the Hams in Space Team to provide their informative and entertaining presentation to you!

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I i 9 p - cq wpx ssb 2012 - short story

Posted: 11 Apr 2012 11:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341900-I-i-9-p-cq-wpx-ssb-2012-short-story&goto=newpost

Finally back in the saddle .After the ARRL DX SSB contest from the club PI4TUE I had to travel back to Slovenia immediately due to health problems in the family

Read more http://ii9p.com/

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Romeo S52RU

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2012 Titanic Event Pigeon Forge TN W4S

Posted: 11 Apr 2012 09:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341882-2012-Titanic-Event-Pigeon-Forge-TN-W4S&goto=newpost

Rick Sawaya Sr

Frequencies to find us on ~

Frequencies to be use strictly will be as follows,

3.950 80 Meters

7.220 40 Meters

14.265 20 Meters

21.350 15 Meters

24.940 12 Meters

28.350 10 Meters

All Phone Frequencies List Above.

Digital Modes will be those normally used.

Anyone wishing to use CW will only be able to use between 2:00am and 5:00am Sunday morning. No other CW will be allowed outside these times.

For Tech Class who will not use 10 Meters , you can use the 145.470 and the 147.360 repeaters when operators are present,during these times..

50.4 for those who wish to use 6 Meters

These frequencies will be used strictly,Unless a Net or some type of emergency happens..

For information on attending the event please contact me at 865-446-4536 , if no answer leave a message on the phone..E Mail at titanic2012event@gmail.com

Any further info need please contact me.. Rick Sr Event Coordinator TN

Note the 443.225, SCERS Repeater, linked with the 145.370 & 147.195 will be used for talk in also !!

We Start Saturday morning at 8:00am and run through Sunday till 5:00pm

QSL Cards and Certificates for workingg both Branson and Here in Pigeon Forge will be handle by me, certificate is $3:00 with a SASE 8x10 envelope, you will also get the QSL card with this, QSL card only reuires a SASE # 10, any donations are welcome , hope to work you on the bands !!

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Project WhiteStar GI100MGY

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 01:38 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341777-Project-WhiteStar-GI100MGY&goto=newpost

GI100MGY will be on the air from Belfast lough During the weekend 14th. / 15th. of April - MGY was the Callsign of the Ill-fated ship RMS Titanic, which had been launched in Belfast in May 1911. The GI100 is a very special prefix, kindly allocated to the "Project WhiteStar" special event team by Ofcom, the UK regulator. We plan to be active all modes, 80m - 10m, with a 2 minute station silence at 01:47am on 15th April, the exact time when the vessel sank, in memory of all those who lost their lives that night. On the evening of 14th/15th, most operation will be on CW.

The final wireless message sent from the Titanic:

"SOS SOS CQD CQD MGY. We are sinking fast. Passengers are being put into boats. MGY."

This was the first time ever that the new international distress signal SOS had been used, alongside the old CQD.

Project White Star is a collaboration between various Amateur Radio Clubs in Greater Belfast and further afield in Northern Ireland

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EI100T Titanic Commeration Station

Posted: 10 Apr 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?341775-EI100T-Titanic-Commeration-Station&goto=newpost

EI100T has been issued as a once off special event call to commerate the 100th anniversary of the Titanic sinking. Throughout 2012 EI100T is operating regularly from Cobh (Queenstown), Lower Cork Harbour (IO51UU) by members of the Cork Radio Club & East Cork Radio Group. Cork Harbour was the last port of call of the Titanic on her maiden and final voyage.

EI100T will be operated as a special event station during the weekend of April 14th & 15th 2012. Details on all the Titanic special event calls, EI100T (Cobh/Queenstown), EI4CDN (Connemara), GI100MGY (Belfast), GB1HMGY (Southampton), GB0TI (Lichfield, UK), VO1MCE (Cape Race, Canada) and VE0MGY/MM (Titanic wreck site) are available by following the

http://ei4hq.cloudaccess.net/ei100t-titanic.html

532. The ARRL Letter for April 12, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-12 20:40:20 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120412201727.65F122096A@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3299
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: NORTH TEXAS HAMS RESPOND WHEN TORNADOS STRIKE
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On April 3, 2012, perfect conditions conducive to tornado activity converged on North Texas. A slow moving front, combined with abnormally warm temperatures and moist air coming in from the south, produced large hail, numerous funnel clouds and tornados. As the weather worsened, hams in North Texas activated ARES® and RACES nets. Spotters reported their observations to their local Emergency Operations Center, which acted on that information in a timely manner to inform the public of the approaching storms, giving them time to get to safety. A total of 21 confirmed tornados -- including one EF3 and two EF2 twisters -- swept through the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex during the seven hour

storm.

According to ARRL North Texas Section Public Information Coordinator Jim Pope, N5JCP, the region suffered extensive damage, but thanks to the assistance of radio amateurs and trained weather spotters who tracked the storm's path and passed the information on to local officials who in turn passed the information to the public, there were no fatalities and very few injuries.

"In Rowlett -- a city of about 56,000 people in the northwest corner of Dallas County -- hams at the Rowlett Fire and Police dispatch unit received information on an approaching tornado from weather spotters," Pope told the ARRL. "Because of this advance warning, Rowlett officials activated the sirens, warning its citizens of the imminent storm nine minutes before the National Weather Service issued a tornado warning for the area." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/north-texas-hams-respond-when-tornados-strike>.

==> + ON THE AIR: 2012 CONTINUES TO SHOW GROWTH IN AMATEUR RADIO LICENSING

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/New_FCC_Licenses_2006-March2012.jpg>
The first quarter of 2012 (January-March) saw a high level of Amateur Radio license exam sessions, producing an elevated influx of applications for new licensees. According to ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, these numbers outpaced the 2011 first quarter results by 30 percent. This uptick does not only apply to new applications; there was a 6 percent increase in the number of upgrades, too. "Statistics over the last 13 years reveal that these are some of the highest numbers that we've seen since the early 1990s for the total number of US amateurs," Somma said. "Now there are more than 704,000 radio amateurs in the US." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/2012-continues-to-show-growth-in-amateur-radio-licensing>.

==> + ON THE AIR: FCC SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENTS ON EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS BY AMATEUR RADIO AND IMPEDIMENTS TO AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

In response to the Congressional directive to prepare a study to assess Amateur Radio's role in emergency and disaster communications and the impact of private land use regulations on the amateur community's ability to provide such communications, the FCC issued DA 12-523 soliciting comments from the public. The period for public comment runs until May 17, 2012.

"As part of the study contained in Public Law No. 112-96, the Commission has opened a 45 day period for comments to be filed on the issue," said ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. "Because of the short deadline for the study to be completed and presented to Congress -- before the end of August -- the ARRL and the amateur community must quickly mobilize their response." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-public-comments-on-emergency-communicatio

ns-by-amateur-radio-and-impediments-to-amateur-ra>.

==> + DIGITAL QST: COMING SOON TO A COMPUTER NEAR YOU!

The new digital edition of QST will debut toward the end of May. If you are an ARRL member and you haven't yet signed up to be notified automatically when the digital edition becomes available, you can do so easily. Just click on the "Edit your profile" link on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/>. Once you are in your profile, click "Edit e-mail subscriptions" and then check the box next to "Notification of monthly digital edition of QST." That's all there is to it. A new FAQ <http://www.arrl.org/digital-qst-faq> about the digital edition has the answers to the questions ARRL members have been asking (it can also be accessed from the QST page on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/qst>). We hope you enjoy the new digital edition of QST.

==> ON THE AIR: AMATEURS MUST PROTECT NEW RADARS IN 23 CM BAND

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA <http://www.faa.gov/>) is deploying a new generation of Common Air Route Surveillance Radar (CARSR) that has some implications for the use of the 1240-1300 MHz (23 cm) band by amateurs. The Amateur Service allocation in this band is on a secondary basis, with aeronautical radionavigation and several other services primary in the United States Table of Frequency Allocations. The FCC rules require that amateur stations operating in the 23 cm band may not cause harmful interference to stations in the radionavigation-satellite service, the aeronautical radionavigation service, the Earth exploration-satellite service (active) or the space research service (active). One case of harmful interference in Southern California has been reported.

CARSRs are being installed in several dozen locations throughout the country and will use various frequencies in the 1240-1350 MHz range with an occupied bandwidth of about 3 MHz. In the vicinity of the radars, amateur operation may be precluded in a portion of the 23 cm band. The ARRL is in contact with FAA engineers. We anticipate that the constraints on amateur use of the band will be limited to those necessary to protect aviation safety, which of course cannot be compromised.

==> ON THE AIR: ARRL SEEKS COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 33 CM BAND PLAN

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz-3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received. After reading the feedback, the Committee began working on the band plans, and the draft plan for 33 cm (902-928 MHz) is now ready for review. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-comments-on-proposed-33-cm-band-plan>.

==> + IARU NEWS: APRIL 18 IS WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY

The year 2012 marks the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). To mark this occasion, the IARU and its more than 160 Member-Societies will celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on April 18. For many years, the IARU has declared a theme for each World Amateur Radio Day. The theme for 2012 is Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space in remembrance of the launch of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/april-18-is-world-amateur-radio-day>.

==> + CHECK YOUR MAILBOX FOR THE MAY ISSUE OF QST

This May issue of QST focuses on digital operating. From RTTY to PACTOR III to PSK31 to D-STAR to JT65, there's a digital mode to satisfy just about every ham appetite. And with new privileges on 60 meters, there's a whole new band for digital operators to explore. So set aside a couple of hours, grab a snack and get ready to explore the May issue of QST.

A recurring gag on the late-1960's comedy Get Smart involved telephones. Not only did Maxwell Smart (Agent 86) have a shoe phone, phones on the show were hidden in more than 50 everyday objects, including a necktie, comb, watch, clock, handkerchief, magazine and a garden hose. You, too, can "get smart" when you turn your Android smart phone into a digital communications terminal. Find out how in "An AFSK Interface for Android Smartphones" by Martin Huyett, K0BXB.

If you've ever wanted to try D-STAR, but you don't have access to a D-STAR radio, you won't want to miss "From Analog to D-STAR" by Gary Pearce, KN4AQ. In his article, Pearce explores how D-STAR works, how to program a D-STAR radio and even how to get on the air with D-STAR using your existing equipment. QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, is a digital radio guru. His article "Who's on JT65?" takes a look at this mode developed by Nobel Prize laureate Joe Taylor, K1JT, and explores its strong growth as a digital mode on the HF bands.

The 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference ended two months ago, and delegates are now working on implementing the decisions in their home countries while preparing for the next WRC, scheduled for 2015. ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, attended WRC-12 as a member of the IARU delegation. In his article ""WRC-12 Results in New Amateur MF Allocation," Sumner takes a look at how more than 3000 participants from 165 countries reached consensus on 30 different issues related to the allocation and sharing of the radio spectrum -- including Amateur Radio -- and the efficient use of satellite orbits for telecommunications and scientific research.

QST Contributing Editor Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, takes a look at the Kenwood TM-281A 2 meter FM transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says the rig is a "solidly built, good performing 2 meter FM mobile with a nice selection of features for the price." QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, checked out the Tokyo Hy-Power Labs HL350VDX 2 meter linear amplifier, calling it "a very flexible and compact 2 meter

medium power amplifier that can follow many types of equipment. It is easy to set up and run and operates in all modes very well. It is truly a linear amplifier such that it produces SSB intermodulation products that would be appropriate for an HF linear." W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, looked at the Network Sciences/AC0C roofing filter for the Yaesu FT-2000. "This filter made a noticeable improvement in W1AW's FT-2000 transceiver's close-in strong signal handling performance," he said. "Installation requires the proper tools and a steady hand."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the May QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is In, Short Takes, Technical Correspondence, How's DX and more. Look for your May issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: MALAYSIA TO HOST EIGHTH GLOBAL AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

The Eighth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference (GAREC) -- called MyGAREC 2012 <http://www.mygarec2012.com/garec/> -- will be held November 12-14 in the Malaysian state of Negeri Sembilan at the Thistle Port Dickson Resort <http://www.thistle.com/en/hotels/malaysia/port_dickson/thistle_port_dickson> .

GAREC began in 2005 in Tampere, Finland. The conference attracts radio amateurs who have an interest in providing emergency communications in response to disasters or during training exercises. MyGAREC 2012 has been timed to immediately follow the IARU Region 3 Conference in Vietnam (scheduled for November 5-9) with its theme of disaster relief communications.

General information for MyGAREC 2012 -- including information on the venue, registration fees, the tentative agenda <http://www.mygarec2012.com/garec/index.php/info-mygarec-2012/mygarec-2012-schedule> and registration forms -- has been posted on the MyGAREC website. According to organizers, the website will be updated weekly with the latest news and program changes. Among the topics to be discussed include the HF emergency operating procedure and the future of GAREC, as well as presentations from the three IARU regions. Presentations from various IARU Member-Societies regarding recent disaster relief communications operations will also be scheduled.

Previous GARECs have been held in Finland (2005 and 2006), the USA (2007), Germany (2008), Japan (2009), Cura&#65533;ao (2010) and South Africa (2011).

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "How do you rate the morning Sun?
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9SkXA19g0OY>" Cook, K7RA, reports:
Solar activity took a serious nosedive this week, with the average
daily sunspot numbers dropping to a value less than half the previous
week's average -- down nearly 43 points to 32.6. The solar flux values
were also off, down nearly 12 points to 95.9. The current prediction
shows solar flux at 90 on April 12-18, then suddenly jumping to 105 on
April 19-21, 110 on April 22-25, then back to 105 on April 26-28, 100
on April 29-30, and then 95 on May 1-9. The predicted planetary A index
is an unsettled 12 on April 12-14, 10 and 8 on April 15-16, 5 on April
17-23, 10 and 8 on April 24-25, 5 on April 26-29, 8 on April 30, and 5
on May 1-7. One good way to view the decline since last fall is with a
solar plotting utility by Scott Craig, WA4TTK, which can be downloaded
free <http://www.craigcentral.com/sol.asp>. He currently has an updated
data file that goes through April 4, 2012. Look for more information on
the ARRL website on Friday, April 13. For more information concerning
radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service
Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This
week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Robbie Williams' Morning Sun
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Morning_Sun_%28song%29>.

==> FCC ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS FOR JANUARY-MARCH 2012

Here's a summary of FCC enforcement actions during the past quarter
(January-March 2012): Repeater-related cases: 1. General infractions
(including unauthorized operation): 10. Power-line cases: 0. Click here
<http://transition.fcc.gov/eb/AmateurActions/Welcome.html> for details.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- April 13 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- April 14 -- EU Spring Sprint (CW)
- April 14-15 -- Georgia QSO Party; Montana QSO Party; New Mexico QSO
Party; QCWA Spring QSO Party; JIDX CW Contest; Yuri Gagarin
International DX Contest
- April 15 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (SSB)
<http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>; International Vintage Contest HF
Contest; Hungarian Straight Key Contest
- April 17 -- 222 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)

Next week:

- April 20-21 -- Holyland DX Contest
- April 21 -- Feld Hell Sprint; EU Spring Sprint (SSB); TARA Skirmish
Digital Prefix Contest; ES Open HF Championship
- April 21-22 -- Michigan QSO Party; South Dakota QSO Party; Ontario
QSO Party; CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest; EA-QRP CW Contest; YU DX
Contest
- April 25 -- 432 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)
- April 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 14 -- ARRL Delta Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delta-division-convention-3>, Bartlett, Tennessee
- April 14-15 -- Communications Academy 2012 <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2012>, Seattle, Washington
- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho; 63rd International DX Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>, Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radio-electronics-expo-1>, Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe, Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>, Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>, Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>, Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers, Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville, Tennessee

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-13 07:56:47 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <09BED7CF3ECC482CAAF608A98E02A300@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3300
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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attached

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Debby says…There have been some ommisions from Break In and HQ
Info-line, my sincere apologies for any inconvenience. Attached to this
issue are:

Electorate Areas that should have gone with remit one.

The IARU Liaison Officers annual report.

All members should all now have received the March/April Break In, I
would like to draw your attention to the extensive information on
included on pages 28 & 29 regarding the Nelson Conference in June.

If you have any further queries, please contact the organising committee
in Nelson directly, either by contacting the Branch President Paul
Moffatt ZL2PO, or mail to the address listed on the registration form.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Dear colleagues,
Oliver Tabakovski, Z32TO, the Region 1 HST WG Chairman has asked me to
send
the attached Invitation to host the 2013 HSTWC to Region 2 and 3 for
distribution to your Member Societies through IARU Region 1 Secretary.

73 de Ken Yamamoto/JA1CJP
Secretary, IARU Region 3

WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY 2012 – Wednesday the 18th of April, 2012

On Wednesday, the 18th of April, 2012, Radio Amateurs will celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day, on the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU).

This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is:

"Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 years in space" in remembrance of the launching of OSCAR 1 on the 12th of December 1961, and OSCAR 2 on the 2nd of June 1962.

Note: OSCAR stands for Orbiting Satellite Carrying Amateur Radio.

Branch 74, The Wellington VHF Group Inc., has been granted use of the special callsign ZL2WARD for World Amateur Radio Day.

ZL2WARD will be active on the National System, and other frequencies. A commemorative QSL card is available.

Inter-Branch ARDF 2m Fox Hunt competition

24 Dingle Road, St Heliers, Auckland (at sea level); phone 575-6383 if you get lost.

Saturday, 21st April 2012

BBQ at noon followed by a briefing at 1 pm.

What to expect:

a.. In Dingle Dell Reserve there will be 5 foxes hiding (hi hi). However they will be easier to find than at last year's event. The paths are gravelled and the streams are bridged; so it is not muddy underfoot.

a.. Print the map of Dingle Dell's 16 acres of bush and streams. Get familiar with the map's orienteering legend, and/or visit the area beforehand. Bring a compass, clipboard, felt tip pen and $5.00 entry fee.

a.. Bring your own 2m hand-held rig and optionally look up construction details of a yagi antenna previously put on our web page at: www.qsl.net/zl1aa >Newsletter>2011>March>page6. Alternatively, hold your hand-held close to your body to shield VHF being received from behind - the null is the direction to the transmitting fox.

a.. Competitors start individually at 5 minute intervals. Their start time is written (in unique ink) onto their "clip card" – used to record each fox's unique code.

a.. Each fox broadcasts its identity in slow Morse code on 144.700 MHz: MOE, MOI, MOS,MOH, and MO5 for one minute each in rotation. That is, each fox is silent for four minutes until its turn to transmit again.

a.. Each fox appears at eye level, as an orange and white prism-shaped flag on which is a written a unique code. As you find each fox, record this code, thus scoring 20 points for each.

a.. Time allowed: 1hour. One point will be deducted for each minute late in returning. As you finish we shall record your elapsed time, check the codes and compute your score.

FMTAG - NZART COUNCIL REVISES ITS LICENCE FEE POLICY

As mentioned in “From the President” (page 3 March/April Break-In), NZART Council has revised its Beacon, Link and Repeater Licence Fee Policy. Here are more details.

Council resolved to encourage the transfer of Repeater, Beacon and Link Licences from NZART to the equipment-owning Branches, and to impose a surcharge of $5.11 per licence, to offset NZART HQ costs, on those licences that remain with NZART.

The MED's Annual Administration Fee, for an Amateur Beacon, Link, or Repeater Licence, is $46.00, if paid by credit card via the MED's SMART website, or $51.11, if paid by cheque to the MED's Business Service Centre. The $5.11 surcharge recognises the cost to the MED of processing a manual payment.

Previously, NZART HQ requested payment of $46.00 from Branches and forwarded the full amount to the MED.

The NZART HQ cost of processing a manual payment are similar to those of the MED and, therefore, NZART Council decided to introduce the same $5.11 surcharge per licence for all Licence Fee payments made via NZART HQ.

Branches wishing to avoid paying the $5.11 surcharge for each licence need to arrange transfer of their licences from NZART to the Branch. To start the licence transfer process, please send an email to FMTAG:

fmtag@nzart.org.nz

NZART Council has confirmed that the revised policy does not apply to National System or International Beacon Licences.

FROM THE VHF-UHF-SHF CONTEST MANAGER

CONTEST TOMORROW AND SUNDAY

The Low Band Contest, 50 MHz to 440 MHz, is this weekend: Saturday the 14th and Sunday the 15th of April 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

THE NEXT CONTESTS

The next contest is the Hibernation Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th of April 2012. This is the weekend after Queen's Birthday weekend. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Brass Monkey Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th of August 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The Contest Rules are available at:
www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:
zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

IARU Liaison Officer’s Report

Activities within IARU and IARU Region 3 have been directed towards WRC-12 to be held in Geneva, Switzerland from 23 January to 17 February 2012.

The committee recommended to Council that Don Wallace ZL2TLL should be NZART’s representative on the New Zealand Administration’s delegation to this very important conference. Council ratified this recommendation and also approved a budget of $16200 to cover the costs of Don’s attendance.

I would like to sincerely thank Peter Lake ZL2AZ for all his efforts in relation to past buildups and WRC conferences.

We all look forward to learning what decisions will be made at WRC-12 especially in the 472 to 479 kHz and also in the 5mhz band.

The 15th IARU Region 3 Triennial conference will be held in Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam , from 5th to 9th November 2012. The Committee has recommended a delegation of 3 to represent NZART at this important event.

The committee is actively pursuing the preparation of papers for NZART to present to this conference.

With the approach of the NZART AGM it is timely to review the make-up of the IARU Committee and look for expressions of interest from NZART members from throughout the four districts. While the committee recognizes the value of having a representative in the Wellington area who can easily communicate with our Administration, this is by no means essential.

I would like to thank all of the committee for your support over the last 12 months and I hope this support will continue as we move closer to the 15th IARU Region Conference in November 2012

John Lochhead ZL4QS

NZART IARU Liaison Officer

Housekeeping

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Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-13 09:00:22 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120413090003.0704233C98@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3201
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1809 - April 13 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1809 with a release date of April 13th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QSTT. Carole Perry, WB2MGP, celebrates a quarter of a century leading educators and youth forums at the Dayton Hamvention, an FCC enforcement in California action may not be what it seems, entry level hams in Belgium to get a power increase on the High Frequency bands and a United States broadcaster pays homage to its oldest and longest listener. Find out who she is on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1809 coming your way right now.

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RADIO CELEBRATION: CAROLE PERRY, WB2MGP TO CELEBRATE 25 YEARS OF SERVING YOUTH AT HAMVENTION 2012

A true milestone for educator Carole Perry, WB2MGP. This as she celebrates her 25th consecutive year moderating both the Youth Forum and Instructors' Forum at the Dayton Hamvention. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the rest of the story:

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It all started back in 1987. That's when Carole Perry, WB2MGP, was at the Dayton Hamvention to accept the Radio Amateur of the Year Award. Hamvention planners offered her the opportunity to moderate a forum on "Using Ham Radio in the Classroom." And as Carole tells us, it all grew from there:

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WB2MGP: "Its impossible for me to speak about anything with amateur radio without talking about the fun and the educational validity of including it as a part of a school program.

"And so we did a forum and then we thought it would be a good idea to teach other people who were interested and who were ham radio operators to include it in the curriculum at their schools or to start it as a club, or if they were lucky enough to do it the way I did it where it became part of the schools regular course and curriculum."

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Prior to WB2MGP bringing ham radio into the classroom and educating teachers on how to work with the hobby, there was little in the way of direction or leadership for young hams. In only a few short years, WB2MGP managed to make the concept of youth in amateur radio a modern day cornerstone in the hobby. This she says is all thanks to the support that emerged over the past quarter century that has as its core the two yearly forums at Hamvention:

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WB2MGP: "It (Ed. youth in amateur radio) really started taking on a life of its own where people got ideas and the sharing of ideas among other educators and people who ran youth groups to incorporate this and expose young people to it.

"As you know, we've had them as young as 8 years old coming in and just blowing the audience away with their stories of participation in amateur radio."

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2012 is that quarter century point and according to WB2MGP, she intends to mark the occasion in a very special way. And she has a very special invitation for each of you:

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WB2MGP: "If you have never been to the Youth Forum or the Instructors Forum please make it a point to stop by. And I guarantee that if you sit there long enough you are going to be smiling. And knowing who I have speaking this time and this year, it``s going to be really fabulous."

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For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK in Zion, Illinois.

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Carole Perry's Instructors Forum takes place on Friday, May 18th from 10:30 to 12 noon and her Youth in Amateur Radio Forum is on Saturday May 19th from 9:15 a.m to 12:15 p.m. -both Eastern Daylight Time. Even if you can't stay for an entire session please take a moment to drop by and congratulate Carole Perry, WB2MGP, on this quarter century milestone in service to ham radio and her opening the new world of amateur radio to those who will be its next generation and many generations to follow. (ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES NOTICE OF VIOLATION TO ATV REPEATER OPERATOR

The FCC has issued a Notice of Violation to a California ham for interfering with FAA radiolocation operations. It also claims he was broadcasting television signals in the 23 centimeter band. But it now

appears as if these charges are not what the regulatory agency might want us to believe. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with more:

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Gary Dent, AF6HP, has operated 1 point 2 GHz fast scan amateur television repeaters and beacons for about the past 10 years. One of these was located at the Sunset Ridge radio site 40 miles North East of the city of Los Angeles, California.

Dent tells Newsline that in February he received a phone call from a person identifying himself as an agent of the FCC's Cerritos California office. The agent told Dent that his AF6HP system on Sunset Ridge was interfering with some newly installed radar system. Dent tells Newsline that he immediately functioned the system off the air and told the agent he would remove the hardware from the hill as soon as road access made it accessible.

According to Dent a few weeks later he received another call from the same agent informing him that he was again transmitting from the Sunset Ridge location and was to cease these transmissions immediately.

Dent says that he can only assume that one of the power failures that took place during a severe weather outbreak reset the controller putting the system back on the air in beacon mode. Beacon operation is legal under Section 97.203 of the Amateur Part 97 Rules.

Wanting to comply with the FCC's request he immediately verified the situation; again remotely turned off the system and has since removed the gear from the site.

Case closed you would assume? Well if you do you are wrong.

On March 30th the FCC's District Director of the Los Angeles Office Western Region Enforcement Bureau issued a two prong Notice of Violation to AF6HP. It charges that on February 29, March 2nd, and March 22nd that, in response to an interference complaint from Federal Aviation Administration, an agent of the Enforcement Bureau's Los Angeles Office used direction finding and other investigative techniques to identify transmissions in the 23 cm band. He found them coming from Station AF6HP.

The Notice of Violation says that the agent observed violations of 97.303(b) which is the interference issue. He also charged Dent with broadcasting under Section 97.113(b). The latter is curious in that AF6HP says that when the system came back on that it was in its default beacon mode. As already noted, beacon operation is legally authorized under FCC Rule 97.203(b). However Section F of the same rule states that a beacon must cease transmissions upon notification by a District Director that the station is operating improperly or causing undue interference to other operations. The beacon may not resume transmitting without prior approval of the District Director. But

nowhere in Section 97.203 is the term broadcasting applied to beacon operation.

Where this matter goes in relation to AF6HP is now up to the FCC. The offending equipment was removed and Dent tells Newsline that it will eventually be re-installed at another site that hopefully will not interfere with FAA or any other radio systems serving the Los Angeles or Riverside areas.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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We will definitely keep you posted on this one. (FCC, ARNewsline(tm))

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RESTRUCTURING: BELGIUM ENTRY LEVEL HAMS MAY GET POWER INCREASE

The UBA which is Belgium's national society reports on plans to allow Belgian Foundation license holders to run 50 watts on the High Frequency bands instead of the cureent 10 watts.

Belgian Foundation holders are currently permitted 50 watts only on 144 and 430 MHz. On bands between 3.5 to 52 MHz the limit is currently 10. The new proposal means these entries level hams would be able to run 50 watts on the H-F and 6 meters as well. The U-B-A says via its website that taking into account the so called 3 dB rule this would permit the use of a standard 100 Watt transceiver.

The full proposal in electronically translated English is on line at tinyurl.com/Belgium50wFoundation. (UBA)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KJ0A repeater serving Maryland Heights Missouri.

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ENFORCEMENT: NO JAIL TIME FOR FLORIDA UNLICENSED STATION

The former operator of a Florida-based unlicensed radio station has been spared doing time in whats often called the Grey Bar Hotel. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW, reports:

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The operator of an unlicensed radio station in the town of Dunbar in Lee County, Florida has agreed to perform 20 hours of community service

in lieu of jail time.

Florida has what it calls an anti pirate radio law and under it Al Knighten had faced up to five years of jail time. However media reports say that the State Attorney charged with prosecuting the case changed course and decided to drop the radio piracy charges.

Knighten had previously admitted that he had operated "Dunbar Community Radio" illegally out of his Fort Myers home. The FCC accompanied by local police raided Knighten's home last December and took the station off the air.

Earlier on Knighten told the local press that the licensing process had been too expensive. But in a more recent interview Knighten now says that he and his associates will try to license the station legally now that they have more monetary support.

>From Charleston, West Virginia, I'm Jim Damron, N8tMW, reporting.

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Knighten's obtaining a license for his station might not be as easy as it sounds. This is because the FCC has a policy in place not granting station licenses to anyone who previously ran an unlicensed radio transmitter for broadcast purposes. (RBI)

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RADIO LAW: TWO SENATORS ASK FCC TO SAVE LIGHTSQUARED

The story that never seems to want to die just took a step toward the weirder. This with word that two well known United States senators are asking the FCC to save Lightsquared from oblivion by moving the proposed broadband network to alternative spectrum in an effort to save the troubled company from going under..

As previously reported, LightSquared has invested billions of dollars in plans for a nationwide 4G network in spectrum directly adjacent to that used by the Global Positioning System or G-P-S. But in February the FCC moved to block the network over concerns that it would interfere with G-P-S devices.

Now in a letter obtained by the on-line blog The Hill, Democratic senator John Kerry and Republican senator Lindsey Graham have stated their view to FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski that they understand his agency's decision to prevent LightSquared from interfering with GPS devices. But the senators said that instead of putting the company out of business, the FCC should allocate a different block wireless spectrum to LightSquared.

The two senators did not suggest which block of spectrum the government should set aside for LightSquared to use. The company had previously stated that its needs can only be fulfilled in bandspace in or close to where its infrastructure is right now. (Various news reports)

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RESCUE RADIO: NEW MARS STATION TO BE INSTALLED IN CUMBERLAND FALLS KY

A new Military Auxiliary Radio System or MARS radio system designed to help emergency communications is to be installed in Kentucky's Cumberland Falls State Park.

News reports say that the repeater station will be placed atop the park's water tower, to assure a good signal links to the state Emergency Management headquarters in Frankfort. However, on-site testing by local radio amateurs showed that the proposed repeater could likely receive the signal as far south as Knoxville, Tennessee.

In addition to MARS communications Park official Pam Gibson says the repeater can also be used for weather spotting and to alert the park in the event of emergencies. Gibson noted that the new system will be equipped with an emergency power source to keep it in operation in case of failure of the normal power mains.

The system should be in operation by this summer. No band or callsign was given in the news press release. Nor was there any explanation of the sharing agreement by MARS and the rest of the ham radio emergency communications community. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/mars-park-repeater (eHam.net, other reports)

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RADIO LOCATION: UNITED STATES TV COVERAGE MAPPING FROM NPR LABS

National Public Radio Labs has introduced its new interactive online mapping system that they say can accurately predict digital versus analog service coverage for both radio and television transmissions. NPR says that this software should help engineers and managers of approximately 3,000 public radio and television broadcast stations and translators to get a better idea as to how their predicted analog and digital coverage on automotive, mobile handheld and indoor receivers. The online system is available for viewing at secure.nprlabs.org/radiotvmapping. (NPR)

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RADIO RULES: NZART CHANGES ITS REPEATER LICENSE FEE METHODS

A decision from the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters will have an impact on several of its branches. Those where repeater and beacon licenses currently held in the name of NZART will be handed back to them.

The current system of invoicing and renewals means a heavy administrative workload for society's resources at a time when subscription renewals are also being processed. This will mean that this coming November when the individual licenses are up for renewal, each branch will receive the license renewal invoice direct from the government telecommunications regulatory authority. This in turn means

that branch secretaries will need to be aware of this and ensure that payment is made by the date due. Failure to do so may result in the license being cancelled.

Unlike the United States where individual hams own and hold license to repeaters, in many nations it is the national society that is the repeater and beacon licensee. Those hams involved merely build and maintain repeaters. In fact, in some nations these hams are known as repeater keepers rather than as owner operators of such devices. (NZART, ARNewsline)

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HAMVENTION 2012: FORUMS LIST POSTED

If you have been waiting to find out who will be holding forums at this years Dayton Hamvention, the wait is over. A complete list of this years sessions along with the day, time and room that each will be held in is now available at hamvention.org/forums.php. It again appears to be a loaded schedule so if you will be headed to Hamvention this May be sure to check this list out well in advance. (KE4WLE)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: 6 YEAR OLD BELIEVED TO BE YOUNGEST EVER UK HAM

Some names in the news. First up is Kayleigh Huntley, who at age 6 is believed to be the youngest person ever to hold a United Kingdom amateur radio license.

According to the Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio, Kayleigh passed her Foundation exam at age 5 years and eleven months. The news release from the Humber Fortress club did not however mention Kayleigh's callsign.

Kayleigh Huntley is the granddaughter of Andy Neilsen G7LRR who is credited with introducing her to the magic world off amateur radio some three years ago. (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE2NHK NAMED NEW QUEBEC SEC

Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced that Normand Pitre VE2NHK has been named the new Section Emergency Coordinator for the Quebec Section effective immediately. Pitre recently earned his Radio Amateurs of Canada Certified Emergency Coordinator designation, and resides in the city of Saint Zotique. (RAC, VA2SGL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NEW 50 MHz EME DIGITAL SARL DX RECORD

Derek Gravette, ZS5Y, in Scottburgh, South Africa and established a new 50 MHz South Africa Radio League Earth-Moon-Earth record. This, by making contact with Mike Staal, K6MYC, in northern California here in

the United States.

On April 4th, the two completed a QSO on E-M-E using the JT65a digital mode. JT65 was developed by Joe Taylor, K1JT and released in late 2003. It is intended for extremely weak but slowly-varying signals, such as those found on tropo-scatter or of coarse E-M-E paths. (SARL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N0BYH GIVEN AWARD FOR AIDING HAM RADIO SCOUTING

Here in the United States, Tim Arimond, N0BYH, has awarded the Boy Scouts' District Award of Merit. This for his work in promoting amateur radio with the Boy Scouts in the Minneapolis and St Paul area.

The award recognizes Airmond's extraordinary service to youth that has included instruction to help prepare scouts to take the amateur radio exam as well as his service as a merit badge councilor for Electricity, Electronics, and Radio. It was also noted that he was also one of the adult leaders behind the local K0BSA. (KD0NYS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: FRENCH PREPARE FOR DIGITAL RADIO LAUNCH

Radio in France is going all digital. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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The French audiovisual regulatory authority known as the CSA has announced that it will launch terrestrial digital radio or DAB this year. It will also deliver authorization to the stations that were pre-selected in 2008.

The French CSA had issued a call in 2008 for stations that would like to be on the leading edge of the analog to digital conversion. It then chord 55 radio stations in Paris and Marseille, as well as around 40 in Nice, but the process then stalled. At that time the CSA said that its goal is to reach 50 percent of the French population based on a 2007 law on the modernization of audiovisual broadcasting. But over the years the launch of digital radio in that nation has been constantly postponed due to opposition from larger private broadcasters who complained that the distribution costs were too high.

Now, the CSA is pulling the plug on lobbying from the broadcast giants and proceeding with the conversion process. At the same time, the CSA would like France to adopt the DAB+ broadcast platform as currently used in Germany, saying it would complement the selected but more expensive T-DMB standard to replace analog radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Berwyck, Pennsylvania.

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There is one downside to France's digital radio switchover. As happened when that nation made the switch to digital television last November, the analog to digital radio change will again mean that French households will be forced to replace all of their in-home and portable radio receivers. (Media Network)

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WORLDBEAT: SWEDEN SDR HAM-BAND RECEIVER ON THE WEB

A new online Software Defined Radio located in Sweden and set for reception of the amateur radio 75, 60, 40 and 20 meter bands is now available via the World Wide Web. Located in the city of Mora and is maintained by SM4JLX, the system is made up of three Soft66lite receivers and a band-pass filter. You need both Java and JavaScript enabled for the WebSDR to work properly. You can hear it on-line at tinyurl.com/sweden-sdr. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW IRISH BROADCASTING CHARGE MAY REPLACE TV LICENSE

Changes appear to be coming to the way televiewers in Ireland get charged for watching T.V. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jeff Clark, K8JAC, has the details:

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Ireland's Minister for Communications has confirmed that he is considering a new household broadcasting charge to replace the television licensee fee. Pat Rabbitte told the Dail newspaper that this would not be an additional charge, and would not affect anyone who was already paying their television license.

Rabbitte agreed that the current funding model was not sustainable in the long run. This was partly because of technological change which meant fewer people were watching on traditional television sets, and partly because of evasion.

Minister Rabbitte said a working group in his department had concluded that a household broadcasting charge "is a viable model", and those discussions had taken place with the Department of the Environment about accessing a database of households. He said it was mainly younger people who were using devices other than traditional television

receivers to access programming.

I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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Just how long it might be before Irelands televiewing public sees this change in the way fees are collected is at this time, unknown. (Media Network)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS CONTACT TO HISTORIC FLABOB AIRPORT

A group of students are preparing to talk to an astronaut aboard the International Space Station, but not from a traditional classroom setting. According to ARISS Technical Support Volunteer Clint Bradford, K6LCS, the 10 minute live question-and-answer session will take place in hangar 16A at the historic Flabob Airport which is the seventh oldest surviving airport in California.

The Flabob Airport to the I-S-S contact opportunity is being coordinated by The Tom Wathen Center's Kathy Rohm with technical support provided by K6LCS. The contact is slated to begin at at 10:03 AM Pacific Daylight time on the morning of April 19th and should last for about the usual 10 minutes.

More is on-line at www.iss-flabob.com (ARISS, K6LCS)

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RADIO AND SPACE: HAM ASTRONOMER NEEDED DOWN UNDER

According to APRS pioneer Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, there is need for a Amateur Astronomer who is also a radio amateur in Canberra Australian on June 4th to the 6th. His or her assistance is needed to support a science team of students from the United States to observe the last transit of Venus this century. The Australian ham will essentially provide real-time communications to a second team in Japan to share observations of this historic event. Interested individuals for this historic event, contact WB4APR (at) amsat (dot) org.

(Southgate)

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DX

In DX, EA3OW is now active through May 12th stroke HH8 from Southern Haiti. His operation is limited to only his free time. When he is on listen out for him on 40 through 10 meters using SSB, RTTY and digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

OM3CGN is now active from the Cameroon as TJ6RM until mid-April. His operation is on 40 through 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via OM3CGN.

Members of the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitter Society and the 9M4SDX Team will be active 9M0L from Sabah, East Malaysia through April 24th. QSL direct to 9M2TO: 9M0L TEAM PENANG, PO BOX 125 GPO 10710, Penang Island, Malaysia or via the bureau to Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society

DJ9RR will be on the air as S79RR from Mahe Island between May 15th and the 23rd. Activity will be holiday style on 40 through 10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct, via the bureau or using Logbook of the World.

Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from the Isle of Jersey during the Radio Society of Great Britaians' Islands on the Air Contest. This event taking place on July 28th and 29th. QSL direct to GJ3DVC or electronically using Logbook of the World.

G3ZAY and M0VFC are planning to be active as ZD9UW from Tristan da Cunha possibly in September but nothing yet is confirmed. More details should soon be forthcoming at www.zd9uw.org.uk.

ON4LO will be active as 5P4LO from Romo Island between April 15th and the 20th. His operation will be on 10 to 80 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via ON4LO, direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, JH4VUC will once again be operational from Saipan using the callsign WH0VU through April 21st. Activity will be on all H-F bands using all modes. QSL direct to his home callsign.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: KDKA HONORS ITS LONGEST LISTENER

And finally this week, a famed radio station has honored its lifelong listener. Representatives from Pittsburgh's KDKA broadcasting did so when they recently visited 106 year old Lucy Treccase.

Created by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation KDKA AM is often called the first commercial station in the United States. Treccase claims that she remembers hearing KDKA's inaugural broadcast of the presidential election results on November 2nd, 1920 between Warren Harding and James Cox.

At the gathering Ms. Trecasse was interviewed by KDKA radio's Larry Richert and KDKA-TV's Dennis Bowman. Richert and Bowman also presented her with a specially engraved plaque. It reads to: "Lucy Treccase -In Honor of Decades of Listenership; November 2, 1920 to the present."

More on this rather heart-warming story is on-line at tinyurl.com/kdka-oldest-listener. And you have to admit that this is a nice way to end this weeks newscast.

(RW)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, TWIT.TV, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

Also, please do not forget that Wednesday, April 18th is World Amateur Radio Day 2012. That's when the world of amateur radio will celebrate the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union. The theme this year is Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space. Specifically noted are the launch of ham radios first satellite, OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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535. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 13 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact with Japanese Scouts

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An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants Troop 2nd and 3rd Iruma Group, Saitama Scout Council Scout Association Of Japan, Iruma, Japan on 14 April

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England completed by G4MD and G4OIG

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z0QOfXEWpyE/england_completed_by_g4md_and_g4oig.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two activators from the English Midlands have become only the 2nd and 3rd participants to have activated every single summit in the English SOTA (Summits on the Air) association

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Marconi, Chelmsford and the Titanic

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8MXPgu_j_p0/marconi_chelmsford_and_the_titanic.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new exhibition, 'Marconi and the Sea' opens on Saturday 14 April at Chelmsford Museum, marking the centenary of the sinking of the Titanic. Two new reconstructed ship's radio rooms will also be unveiled at Sandford Mill on International Marconi Day on Saturday 21 April

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Puerto Rico active again for World Amateur Radio Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vtNtlpTcZEU/puerto_rico_active_again_for_world_amateur_radio_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Once again KP4FD will be on the air to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day this coming Wednesday April 18, 2012 on the 87th anniversary of the foundation of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)

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What is Amateur Radio ?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/49qp9tEG0Bw/what_is_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A UK amateur radio promotional video from 2004 is available on YouTube.
Watch What is Amateur Radio ?

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5rQB9FXRWSo/wca_1304.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Fred DL8DXL will be active on the 13th of April 2012 from Schloss
Hermsdorf, located near Dresden, and members of Silesian Radioamateur Group
will be active on the 15th of April from Castle Dobieszowice

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Jack Phillips: Boy from Godalming became Titanic hero

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WDnIjLLrKYg/boy_from_godalming_became_titanic_hero.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

BBC News carries a video report on the Titanic's chief wireless
telegraphist Jack Phillips

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NZ4O HF (3000-30000 KC) Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3okhPCi7MPo/propagation_forecast_16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O HF/6M (120-11 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-16 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 13, 2012

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu

rner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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The 145.500 MHz FM Calling channel

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ojeHWZ9aRgM/145_500_mhz_calling_channel
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The RSGB has received a number of complaints that relate to an error in the
2m part of the RSGB Band Plan. This error was mentioned in the VHF
Manager’s Annual Report in the April RadCom

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HRBE CubeSat in SatMagazine

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RiRqgF_8f_0/hrbe_cubesat_in_satmagazine
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The student built Hiscock Radiation Belt Explorer (HRBE) amateur radio
CubeSat formerly known as Explorer-1 [PRIME] is featured on page 10 of the
April issue of SatMagazine

536. Adhinayakudu Movie Free Download

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-13 14:19:29 UTC
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Message-ID: <10244e86-c0c8-41b3-8c26-b9852f7c37b3@k10g2000pbk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3203

Balakrishna’s new latest movie is “Adhinayakudu”. This songs was
released. All songs are very excellent.
Adhinayakudu full movie free download here. Nandamuri fans are
enjoying to listen this songs. Balakrishan is
looking very different in this film. He is playing three different
roles in this movie. His old getup looking good.
Definitely balakrishna will take big hit with this film. Already this
movie trailer was released.
This is family entertainer with action movie. Adhinayakudu movie free
download

http://adhinayakudu-movie-free-download.worldpr.in/

537. Watch Adhinayakudu Movie Online

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Message-ID: <f896f930-c5f8-4c80-ba4a-adb3eb5d3308@x5g2000pbl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3204

Adhinayakudu movie will release on April 12th. Paruchuri Murali is the
director of this movie.
M.L.Chowdary is producer of this movie. Balakrishna adhinayakudu movie
watch online here.
Balakrishna fans are waiting to watch this movie. balakrishna looking
different getup’s and jayasudha role wife of old balakrishna.
Saloni and laxmi rai are the heroins.

http://adhinayakudu-movie-free-download.worldpr.in/adhinayakudu-movie-online/

538. Dammu Movie Free Download

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-13 14:20:14 UTC
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Message-ID: <d73786a3-6211-412d-a4f4-0b146fa1e757@h4g2000pbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3206

Dammu movie will release on April 20th. Director Boyapati srinu was
announced the date. Kartheeka performance is very hot in the film.
This is first film to
kartheeka act with Ntr. Trisha also looking hot. Boyapati srinu is
taking so much of caring about this film. Definitely this movie will
break the collections.
Dammu movie free download here.

http://dammu-songs-free-download.hssts.com/dammu-movie-free-download/

539. Watch Dammu Movie Online

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-13 14:20:36 UTC
From: ntr jr <dammu009@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <bf70492f-32c8-497a-bd41-8ad22105c25d@r2g2000pbs.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3205

Jn Ntr’s Dammu movie songs and trailer were released on March 29th.
“Title Ruler” song is very excellent. Ntr dialogue delivery is
awesome. Heroings trisha and karthika are performing good in dammu
movie.
Director Boyapati srinu is very powerfull director. Previously he
given big hit movie “Simha” to Bala krishna.
People can watch dammu movie online here.

http://dammu-songs-free-download.hssts.com/watch-dammu-movie-online/

540. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 13 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-13 16:10:44 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Petiton started to void HOA Antenna Restrictions.

Posted: 12 Apr 2012 08:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342026-Petiton-started-to-void-HOA-Antenna-Restrictions&goto=newpost

For 100 years amateur radio has played a vital role in the technological development of the United States and continues to do so today. Thousands of scientists and engineers got started in electronics and communications careers as a result of an early interest in amateur radio. Many of today□s scientists and engineers, as well as others in less technical fields, continue to enjoy amateur radio. Amateur radio is an activity that has a demonstrated history of □paying off□ for society.

Radio amateurs have a proud tradition of making their skills and equipment available for backup and auxiliary emergency communications in times of disaster - at no cost to taxpayers. The Amateur Radio Service provides a layer of redundancy - a most desirable feature of any communications system.

Unreasonable and unnecessary land use restrictions are now near universal in prohibiting the erection of antennas essential for amateur radio communications in most residential developments constructed in recent decades. Homeowner□s and property owner□s associations have usurped the legitimate authority of the Federal Communications Commission in this area of telecommunications. This has had a detrimental effect upon the development of the Amateur Radio Service and, as a consequence, it has had a negative effect upon our ability to provide emergency communications during times of disaster.

We request the Federal Communications Commission to take whatever steps are necessary to immediately void all existing private land use restrictions dealing with antennas used for the transmission or reception of radio signals and to disallow any future creation of such restrictions by private homeowner□s and property owner□s associations. We further request that the Federal Communications Commission consider the establishment of reasonable criteria for permitting the erection of antennas in private residential areas.

To sign the petition, go to
http://www.change.org/petitions/fede...nd-developers#

541. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 13 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-13 16:43:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234507243d9e04bd922c64@google.com>
Source record: 3208
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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OH1VR/VP9 OH1ZAA/VP9 Bermuda Islands

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 05:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342136-OH1VR-VP9-OH1ZAA-VP9-Bermuda-Islands&goto=newpost

OH1VR and OH1ZAA will be active from Bermuda Islands 7-13 May 2012 as
OH1VR/VP9 and OH1ZAA/VP9

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-islands_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

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Portable & Mobile HF QRP Operation Made Easy (April 14, 2012)

Posted: 12 Apr 2012 12:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342069-Portable-amp-Mobile-HF-QRP-Operation-Made-Easy-(April-14-2012)&goto=newpost

VA3XPR Global 360 Net

>Date: April 14, 2012

Topic: Portable & Mobile HF QRP Operation Made Easy

Guest Speaker: Joe Verdirame, VE3LNU

Overview: Making contacts while operating HF QRP (low power) can be fun and
rewarding experience, especially with the predominance of higher powered
stations on the HF bands these days. Accomplishing this while portable or
mobile can be even more challenging, as antenna constraints become more
pronounced.

Please join in to the VA3XPR Global 360 Net where our guest speaker Joe
Verdirame, VE3LNU, will share with us some tips on how to effectively
operate HF QRP while on the go.

The net details are below:

>Date: April 14, 2012

Time: 14:00 UTC

RF (Toronto Area): 441.950+ PL 100 Hz (VA3XPR)

IRLP Reflector: 9558

EchoLink Conference: *VK3JED* (42840)

For more information, please visit
http://www.va3xpr.net/portable-mobil...ion-made-easy/

Regards,

Don, VA3XFT

542. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 182] - Two new special event stations for WARD.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-14 01:25:02 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F88D179.50101@rac.ca>
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**[IARU-R2-News 182] - Two new special event stations for WARD.*
2012-04-13

Two new special event stations join the celebration of the World
Amateur Radio Day and the 87th Anniversary of IARU.

P487IARU by the Aruba Amateur Radio Club. They will be active starting
today until the end on the month. QSL information on QRZ.com

SK87WARD by the F�reningen Sveriges S�ndareamat�rer. They will be
active on the HF bands (CW SSB and PSK31) from 00z to 24z only on
April 18th. QSL via buro or SM6JSM; probably also LoTW.

This stations join other stations previously reported and some of them
are on the air as you read this note:

6H6IARU, 3G87IARU, LZ1WARD, EL2RL, HB9WARD, HF87WARD, CR6IARU and KP4FD

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

543. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 14 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-14 11:08:41 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357c725f25c04bda19c90@google.com>
Source record: 3210
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Titanic - GI100MGY and GI2012MGY

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_Stdk2XuOq4/titanic_gi100mgy_gi2012mgy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two special callsigns will be active from Belfast for the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the RMS Titanic

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Special Titanic commemorative Morse transmission

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/b8yasvny1I0/commemorative_morse_transmission.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A special Titanic commemorative Morse transmission will take place from the German Weather Service at Pinneberg on 14 April 2230 UTC on 147.3 kHz

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Titanic Special Event station VX9MRC

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WIzQFIU6anc/titanic_special_event_station_vx9mrc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Titanic disaster, the Marconi Radio Club of Newfoundland will be transmitting a special bulletin near 500 kHz, the distress frequency used by the radio officers of the Titanic to send their CQD call to Cape Race, Newfoundland

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Titanic special event station GB100MGY will be on 502 kHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u9RjeOFeQr4/gb100mgy_will_be_on_502_khz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The special event station GB100MGY will be operating on 502 kHz from the Fort Perch Rock marine radio museum in the Wirral, UK during the Titanic commemoration. The team have 'special permission' from Ofcom to use the 501 to 504 kHz band from 12th to 18th April

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Laser Transceiver at Maker Faire 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4jUcvm2N-tQ/laser_transceiver_at_maker_faire_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Wayne Yoshida KH6WZ has released a video of the impressive laser transceiver he'll be displaying at Maker Faire Bay Area

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Hv82WGEoLus/april_14.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity took a serious nosedive this week, with average daily sunspot numbers dropping to a value less than half the previous week's average

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The Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/99OZXVad7a8/yuri_gagarin_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This contest takes place April 14-15 and is dedicated to the memory of Yuri Gagarin, who realized the first human flight to space, on April 12, 1961

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Chelmsford Titanic talk to raise funds for charity

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yRrODQvQbzM/chelmsford_titanic_talk_to_raise_funds_for_charity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An ex Royal Navy submariner and Chief Inspector of Marine Accidents will reveal his unique angle on the loss of the SS Titanic at a talk on 18 April

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World Amateur Radio Day Special Event Station HF87WARD

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xKvtJbqNmck/hf87ward.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Titanic - A Night to Remember

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.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A YouTube clip of the 1958 movie 'A Night to Remember' features the Titanic
Marconi wireless operators Jack Phillips and Harold Bride

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OT100MGY - Titanic special callsign

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0xu6vTe1vdQ/ot100mgy_titanic_special_ca
llsign.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The special callsign of OT100MGY has been obtained by and will be operated
by the Pajottenlandse Radio Amateurs, a division of VRA - Flemish Radio
Amateurs

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Radio Deluxe v5.20 Release Announcement

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 11:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342173-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-v5-20-Release-Announcement&goto=newpost

Tampa FL, St. Paul MN, Pittsburgh PA ☐ April 13, 2012

HRD Software, LLC announces the release of Ham Radio Deluxe 5.20.0.7. This is the 3rd release of software since W4PC, WA9PIE and K0CHB acquired the rights in November of 2011.

Erik Gawtry KC0WWC and Rick Ruhl W4PC have been coding in tandem for the past few weeks and have created this version with more fixes and some new beta features which will be in version 6. This version 5.20 includes the beta for a contesting interface, a Cabrillo export and support for the Ten-Tec Eagle.

Rick Ruhl, W4PC, said, ☐We decided to add the new features to give the users a taste of what we☐re going to do in 6.0. 6.0 will have many new features which will include FSK support, a new DXCC awards interface, label printing, and the super sweeper in Digital Master. Super Sweeper will allow multiple signals to be decoded in the window formerly referred to as Superbrowser☐.

This is the first version compiled with the Visual Studio 2010 compiler. Rick and Erik have been working since version 5.11 to move the program from Visual C++ 6.0.

The HRD group will be at the DX Convention in Visalia, CA on the 20th and 21st and will be in booths 108-109-100 at the Dayton Hamvention.

HRD 5.20 is free, but will include a no charge upgrade to version 6.0 with the purchase of 5.X support for $59.95. The retail version of HRD will be $79.95 when it☐s released at Dayton 2012.

You can purchase and download the product at http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1809 April 13 2012

Posted: 12 Apr 2012 10:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342118-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1809--April-13-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1809 ☐ April 13 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1809 with a release date of April 13th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QSTT. Carole Perry, WB2MGP, celebrates a quarter of a century leading educators and youth forums at the Dayton Hamvention, an FCC enforcement in California action may not be what it seems, entry level hams in Belgium to get a power increase on the High Frequency bands and a United States broadcaster pays homage to its oldest and longest listener. Find out who she is on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1809 coming your way right now.

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RADIO CELEBRATION: CAROLE PERRY, WB2MGP TO CELEBRATE 25 YEARS OF SERVING YOUTH AT HAMVENTION 2012

A true milestone for educator Carole Perry, WB2MGP. This as she celebrates her 25th consecutive year moderating both the Youth Forum and Instructors☐ Forum at the Dayton Hamvention. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the rest of the story:

545. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 14 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-14 16:12:07 UTC
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TITANIC INFO PC100T

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 06:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342264-TITANIC-INFO-PC100T&goto=newpost

Commemoration TITANIC 1912-2012.

starts Sunday at 08:00 at 20/40/80 meters.

Viev PC100T for full information!!!

QSL manager PA7HPH.

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Titanic special event W3R

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 06:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342258-Titanic-special-event-W3R&goto=newpost

Awesome, just made contact with my first Titanic special event station, W3R
on 20m. 14.255. Should be an interesting weekend with numerous Titanic
stations broadcasting.

73' Mike

KG7UFO

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Skywarn Recognition Day

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 06:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342218-Skywarn-Recognition-Day&goto=newpost

Welcome to the Skywarn Recognition Day special event station for Northeast,
Tennessee District 7 Skywarn.

Date: Saturday, April 14, 2012

Time: 1000 till 1900 EDT (Setup starts at 0800)

Where: ITT Technical Institute (Johnson City, TN)

We will be running HF, VHF, and UHF for the special event. The bands and
frequencies are as follows

80 Meter: 3.803 MHz

40 Meter: 7.180 MHz

20 Meter: 14.240 MHz

15 Meter: 21.290 MHz

10 Meter: 28.700 MHz Changed to (28.350 MHz)

2 Meter: 146.550 MHz (FM Simplex)

70 CM: 445.925 MHz (FM Simplex)

The talk-in frequency is the 146.700 MHz (Repeater)

Please announce this on your club, newsletter, monthly meetings, and weekly NET. Thanks for your time and participation.

(More Information Click here)

546. SARL News in English 14/4/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-14 17:56:24 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <8137660B97CA4ACE9283FFEBB7F43877@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 15 APRIL 2012

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proceedings on 145,750 with ZS6FCS in Pretoria, on 14,250 with Pieter and on 7082 with Quartus, ZS6EE. The audio will also be available on echolink. On Saturday afternoon there are two exciting presentations. Build VHF antennas with Rob Cohen, ZS5LA, and DXing and Log Book of the World with Chris Burger, ZS6EZ. The annual dinner starts at 18:30 with drinks, with the dinner starting at 19:00. The guest speaker is Dr Andrew Collier, Manager: Waves and Space Plasma Group at SANSA Space Sciences at the Hermanus Magnetic Observatory and senior lecturer at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Every person attending the dinner will take part in the lucky draw for a large number of prizes which include a dual band mobile transceiver, the YAESU FTM-10R sponsored by Verstay, watches sponsored by Natal Jewellery Wholesalers and two J-pole antennas. The convention ends on Sunday Morning with a breakfast at the Japanese Gardens. Register for the convention and dinner by visiting www.sarl.org.za and follow the link from the home page or call Mariska at 011 675 2393. Please do it by 16:00 on Wednesday 18 April. If you cannot attend as a member you can give your proxy to another member who is attending. Full details on www.sarl.org.za.

WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY

On 18 April 2012, radio amateurs will be celebrating World Amateur Radio Day, on the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union or IARU. This year's theme is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance of the launching of OSCAR 1 on 12 December 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on 2 June 1962. In 1924, ARRL President Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW, had scheduled a business trip to Europe. While in Europe, Maxim was asked by the ARRL Board of Directors to represent the ARRL in fostering international relations between amateurs. Following an informal meeting in 1924, representatives from France, Great Britain, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, Canada and the United States formulated a plan to hold an International Amateur Congress in Paris, France, in April 1925, for the purpose of founding the IARU. Representatives from Europe, North America, South America and Asia attended the congress, adopting a constitution for the IARU on April 17. At a closing assembly on the following day, officers were elected and the actions of the congress ratified by representatives from 25 countries. Thus, April 18 became the official "birthday" of the IARU and is now designated World Amateur Radio Day. There will be several special event stations from IARU's Member Societies active on different dates during April: South Africa - ZS6IARU, will be active on 18 April. QSL via ZS4BS. Bulgaria - LZ1WARD, by the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs, active throughout the month of April. QSL via bureau. Switzerland - HB9WARD by Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen-Amateure, active on 18 April. QSL via HB9JOE. Poland - HF87WARD, by members of the SP-CFF will be active from 17 to 30 April. There is an award for this operation. QSL via eQSL.cc and WFF LogSearch. Liberia - EL2RL, by the Liberia Radio Amateur Association will be active on 18 April. Direct QSL to EL2BA. Mexico - 6H6IARU by the Federaci&#65533;n Mexicana de

Radio Experimentadores who are active from 13 to 18 April. QSL via LoTW and N7RO. Chile - 3G87IARU by the Radio Club de Chile, active throughout the month of April. QSL via CE3AA.

REGISTER NOW FOR THE SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

Details of the SA AMSAT Space Symposium which will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal on Saturday 12 May, are now available on www.amsatsa.org.za. The theme of the symposium is 50 years of amateur satellites, celebrating the launch, 50 years ago, of OSCAR 1. The programme is packed with exciting presentations and demonstrations. Register early to save on the registration fee.

AMATEUR RADIO BOOKS AT THE SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

A range of amateur radio books will be on sale at the SARL National Convention including the hardcover version of the 2012 ARRL Handbook and the hardcover version of the ARRL Antenna book. If you order books and pay online before Wednesday 18 April, you can take delivery at the National Convention. Details of books available are on www.amateurradio.org.za. At the national convention payment will be by cash or cheque only, as no credit card facilities will be available.

SWEDISH SDR AMATEUR BAND RECEIVER ON THE WEB

A new online software defined radio located in Sweden and set for reception of the amateur radio 75, 60, 40 and 20 metre bands, is now available via the World Wide Web. It is located in the city of Mora and is maintained by SM4JLX. The system is made up of three Soft66lite receivers and a band-pass filter. You need both Java and JavaScript enabled for the Web SDR to work properly. You can hear it on-line at tinyurl.com/sweden-sdr.

CONTEST NEWS

The SARL Hamnet 40 m Simulated Emergency Contest was run on Sunday 4 March. The winners of the categories are as follows: Single operator stationery mobile: Andy Cairns, ZS6ADY. Single operator portable: Christo Kriek, ZR6LJK Multi operator: no entries. Base Station: Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX. Scores obtained are as follows: Single operator stationery mobile: 1st Andy Cairns, ZS6ADY, 672 points. 2nd John Kramer, ZS5J, with 460 points. 3rd Nico Oelofse, ZS4N, with 405 points. Single operator portable: 1st Christo Kriek, ZR6LJK, with 504 points. 2nd Al Akers, ZS2U, with 468 points. 3rd Keith Liddle, ZS6AGF, with 414 points. Base Stations: 1st Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX, with 1170 points. 2nd Peet Pretorius, ZS4VP, with 1005 points. 3rd Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT, with 975 points. The SARL March Madness YL Sprint was held on Saturday 10 March. 1st Colette Rundle, ZS2CR, with 24 points. 2nd Dawn Snyders, ZS5ME, with 15 points. 3rd Theunis Potgieter, ZS2EC, with 9 points. 4th Derek Stuart, ZS2J, 7 points. 5th Peet Pretorius, ZS4VP, with 3 points. The second SARL 80 m Club Contest was run on Wednesday 28 March 2012 and this was a phone contest. 1st West Rand ARC - 146 points from 11 logs. 2nd Bloemfontein RAC - 36 points from 2 logs. 3rd

Port Elizabeth ARS - 10 points from 1 log. All the results are in HF Happenings 499 and 500. Congratulations to all the participants and thank your for your participation.

CLUB NEWS

The .

on Saturday 28 April 2012 at the clubhouse in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everyone is very welcome. For more information, contact Phillip, ZS6PVT, at 083 267 3835.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity remains at low levels. New sunspot 1455 continues to grow and is crackling with low level Class-B flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 29.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

18 April, World Amateur Radio day. 20 - 22 April, SARL Convention in Pinetown. 28 April - West Rand Amateur Radio Club next flea market at 12:00. 12 May, SA AMSAT space symposium; visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and registration.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Fritz, ZS6SF.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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Pinetown. On Saturday the AGM starts with registration of proxies at 08:00, with the meeting commencing at 09:00. You can follow the AGM proceedings on 145,750 with ZS6FCS in Pretoria, on 14,250 with Pieter and on 7082 with Quartus, ZS6EE. The audio will also be available on echolink. On Saturday afternoon there are two exciting presentations. Build VHF antennas with Rob Cohen, ZS5LA, and DXing and Log Book of the World with Chris Burger, ZS6EZ. The annual dinner starts at 18:30 with drinks, with the dinner starting at 19:00. The guest speaker is Dr Andrew Collier, Manager: Waves and Space Plasma Group at SANSA Space Sciences at the Hermanus Magnetic Observatory and senior lecturer at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. Every person attending the dinner will take part in the lucky draw for a large number of prizes which include a dual band mobile transceiver, the YAESU FTM-10R sponsored by Verstay, watches sponsored by Natal Jewellery Wholesalers and two J-pole antennas. The convention ends on Sunday Morning with a breakfast at the Japanese Gardens. Register for the convention and dinner by visiting www.sarl.org.za and follow the link from the home page or call Mariska at 011 675 2393. Please do it by 16:00 on Wednesday 18 April. If you cannot attend as a member you can give your proxy to another member who is attending. Full details on www.sarl.org.za.

WORLD AMATEUR RADIO DAY

On 18 April 2012, radio amateurs will be celebrating World Amateur Radio Day, on the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union or IARU. This year's theme is "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance of the launching of OSCAR 1 on 12 December 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on 2 June 1962. In 1924, ARRL President Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW, had scheduled a business trip to Europe. While in Europe, Maxim was asked by the ARRL Board of Directors to represent the ARRL in fostering international relations between amateurs. Following an informal meeting in 1924, representatives from France, Great Britain, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, Canada and the United States formulated a plan to hold an International Amateur Congress in Paris, France, in April 1925, for the purpose of founding the IARU. Representatives from Europe, North America, South America and Asia attended the congress, adopting a constitution for the IARU on April 17. At a closing assembly on the following day, officers were elected and the actions of the congress ratified by representatives from 25 countries. Thus, April 18 became the official "birthday" of the IARU and is now designated World Amateur Radio Day. There will be several special event stations from IARU's Member Societies active on different dates during April: South Africa - ZS6IARU, will be active on 18 April. QSL via ZS4BS. Bulgaria - LZ1WARD, by the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs, active throughout the month of April. QSL via bureau. Switzerland - HB9WARD by Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen-Amateure, active on 18 April. QSL via HB9JOE. Poland - HF87WARD, by members of the SP-CFF will be active from 17 to 30 April. There is an award for this operation. QSL via eQSL.cc and WFF LogSearch. Liberia - EL2RL, by

the Liberia Radio Amateur Association will be active on 18 April. Direct QSL to EL2BA. Mexico - 6H6IARU by the Federaci&#65533;n Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores who are active from 13 to 18 April. QSL via LoTW and N7RO. Chile - 3G87IARU by the Radio Club de Chile, active throughout the month of April. QSL via CE3AA.

REGISTER NOW FOR THE SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

Details of the SA AMSAT Space Symposium which will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal on Saturday 12 May, are now available on www.amsatsa.org.za. The theme of the symposium is 50 years of amateur satellites, celebrating the launch, 50 years ago, of OSCAR 1. The programme is packed with exciting presentations and demonstrations. Register early to save on the registration fee.

AMATEUR RADIO BOOKS AT THE SARL NATIONAL CONVENTION

A range of amateur radio books will be on sale at the SARL National Convention including the hardcover version of the 2012 ARRL Handbook and the hardcover version of the ARRL Antenna book. If you order books and pay online before Wednesday 18 April, you can take delivery at the National Convention. Details of books available are on www.amateurradio.org.za. At the national convention payment will be by cash or cheque only, as no credit card facilities will be available.

SWEDISH SDR AMATEUR BAND RECEIVER ON THE WEB

A new online software defined radio located in Sweden and set for reception of the amateur radio 75, 60, 40 and 20 metre bands, is now available via the World Wide Web. It is located in the city of Mora and is maintained by SM4JLX. The system is made up of three Soft66lite receivers and a band-pass filter. You need both Java and JavaScript enabled for the Web SDR to work properly. You can hear it on-line at tinyurl.com/sweden-sdr.

CONTEST NEWS

The SARL Hamnet 40 m Simulated Emergency Contest was run on Sunday 4 March. The winners of the categories are as follows: Single operator stationery mobile: Andy Cairns, ZS6ADY. Single operator portable: Christo Kriek, ZR6LJK Multi operator: no entries. Base Station: Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX. Scores obtained are as follows: Single operator stationery mobile: 1st Andy Cairns, ZS6ADY, 672 points. 2nd John Kramer, ZS5J, with 460 points. 3rd Nico Oelofse, ZS4N, with 405 points. Single operator portable: 1st Christo Kriek, ZR6LJK, with 504 points. 2nd Al Akers, ZS2U, with 468 points. 3rd Keith Liddle, ZS6AGF, with 414 points. Base Stations: 1st Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX, with 1170 points. 2nd Peet Pretorius, ZS4VP, with 1005 points. 3rd Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT, with 975 points. The SARL March Madness YL Sprint was held on Saturday 10 March. 1st Colette Rundle, ZS2CR, with 24 points. 2nd Dawn Snyders, ZS5ME, with 15 points. 3rd Theunis Potgieter, ZS2EC, with 9 points. 4th Derek Stuart, ZS2J, 7 points. 5th Peet Pretorius, ZS4VP, with 3 points. The second SARL 80 m Club Contest was run on Wednesday

28 March 2012 and this was a phone contest. 1st West Rand ARC - 146 points from 11 logs. 2nd Bloemfontein RAC - 36 points from 2 logs. 3rd Port Elizabeth ARS - 10 points from 1 log. All the results are in HF Happenings 499 and 500. Congratulations to all the participants and thank your for your participation.

CLUB NEWS

The West Rand Amateur Radio Club is hosting its next flea market at 12:00 on Saturday 28 April 2012 at the clubhouse in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everyone is very welcome. For more information, contact Phillip, ZS6PVT, at 083 267 3835.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity remains at low levels. New sunspot 1455 continues to grow and is crackling with low level Class-B flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 29.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

18 April, World Amateur Radio day. 20 - 22 April, SARL Convention in Pinetown. 28 April - West Rand Amateur Radio Club next flea market at 12:00. 12 May, SA AMSAT space symposium; visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and registration.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Fritz, ZS6SF.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

548. eHam.net News for Saturday 14 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-14 22:11:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2344ed28379204bdaade9b@google.com>
Source record: 3215
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Area Amateur Radio Groups Have Common Bond:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28102

In a video made in 2003 for the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), the late journalist Walter Cronkite spoke about the public service done by amateur radio, or "ham radio" operators, during the dark day in our nation's history that was September 11, 2001. Cronkite, an amateur radio operator himself, said in their response, "Their country asked, and they responded without reservation." It's the bond three ham radio operators have in common -- to use amateur radio as a primary source to get the word out to those who can respond in times of crisis, to get more ham operators involved, and to get others to join the network.

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Ham Radio More Than Just A Hobby:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 05:08 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28101

Did you know that several amateur radio enthusiasts took part in Wednesday disaster drill exercise throughout Eastern Idaho? You probably know them better as ham radio operators, but do you know what's special about the hobby? Ah, the familiar sound of a worldwide, well-loved hobby that dates back ages -- ham radio. It's a unique group you can always count on during an emergency and now we can count more of them. U.S. amateurs now 700,000 strong according to the American Radio Relay League. Hams are usually the first on the front lines of a disaster to establish critical communications. They were there during Hurricane Katrina. They were there in Haiti and Japan after the earthquakes and they are here in Eastern Idaho should we need them. Frank Corey, KE7JHQ, is one of them.

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When Ham Tided Over Jams:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28100

Amateur radio (HAM) operators swung into action immediately when they heard news about earthquake and tsunami. When all modes of communication, including cellphones got jammed due to hyper activity of the people, HAMs started to contact other operators in various parts of the state to help

them to pass messages to their near and dear ones in the vicinity. Some other operators were busy interacting with operators in the South East Asian countries to know the situation in their country. Mr K. Rajesh (VU3RGK), an amateur radio operator, said that when he heard the news about earthquake and tsunami he logged on to 7050-megahertz in high frequency (HF), which HAMs in India use often to interact. "We tune to regular frequency to communicate in times of emergency and today we had about 25 HAMs across the Southern states operating in 7050 frequency communicating with each other in an attempt to help others," he said. Mr Rajesh pointed out that all HAMs stayed for four hours communicated with each other until the union government withdrew tsunami alert.

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AmateurLogic.TV 38:

Posted: 12 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28099

AmateurLogic.TV 38: D-Star, Echolink, Audio and Baluns has been released.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #15 de K7RA:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:24 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28098

The bulletin comes to you today from Olympia, Washington, where K7RA is on a fortnight road trip down the West Coast.

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How the Titanic Disaster Forever Changed Telecommunications:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 09:53 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28097

Without the tireless work of the RMS Titanic's two radio operators, the toll on that night 100 years ago would have been far worse. At the same time, had more effective communication procedures between ships been in force, the tragedy might have been averted. The Titanic's sinking spurred the passage of legislation seeking to improve maritime communication, but as part of a larger bill that was the first to mandate the licensing of radio stations. That started the apportionment of the communications spectrum between different interests that continues to this day. Radio Aspects of the Disaster: The Marconi companies, headed by radio pioneer Guglielmo Marconi, had provided two-way radio systems to send and receive Continental Morse code:and the personnel to operate them:to ocean liners since 1904. By 1912, Marconi held a dominant position in the fledgling wireless communications industry, a cutthroat business in which operators refused to relay messages originating with another company, and were known to actively interfere with each other's transmissions. But even accidental interference was often hard to avoid, as the spark-gap transmitters that Marconi had championed and which were widely adopted by government, commercial, and amateur operators had a bandwidth so wide that they were

eventually outlawed when tunable continuous-wave transmitters with cleaner signals were developed.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #15:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:23 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28096

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, VK8AS, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:10 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28095

This Week in Radiosport:

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North Texas Hams Respond When Tornados Strike:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:05 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28094

On April 3, 2012, perfect conditions conducive to tornado activity converged on North Texas. A slow moving front, combined with abnormally warm temperatures and moist air coming in from the south, produced large hail, numerous funnel clouds and tornados. As the weather worsened, hams in North Texas activated ARES and RACES nets. Spotters reported their observations to their local Emergency Operations Center, which acted on that information in a timely manner to inform the public of the approaching storms, giving them time to get to safety. A total of 21 confirmed tornados -- including one EF3 and two EF2 twisters -- swept through the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex during the seven hour storm.

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2012 Continues to Show Growth in Amateur Radio Licensing:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:05 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28093

The first quarter of 2012 (January-March) saw a high level of Amateur Radio license exam sessions, producing an elevated influx of applications for new licensees. According to ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, these numbers outpaced the 2011 first quarter results by 30 percent. This uptick does not only apply to new applications; there was a 6 percent increase in the number of upgrades, too.

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FCC Seeks Public Comments on Emergency Communications Amateur Radio:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:04 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28092

In response to the Congressional directive to prepare a study to assess Amateur Radio's role in emergency and disaster communications and the impact of private land use regulations on the amateur community's ability to provide such communications, the FCC issued DA 12-523 soliciting comments from the public. The period for public comment runs until May 17, 2012.

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Digital QST: Coming Soon to a Computer Near You!

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:06 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28091

The new digital edition of QST will debut toward the end of May. If you are an ARRL member and you haven't yet signed up to be notified automatically when the digital edition becomes available, you can do so easily. Just click on the "Edit your profile" link on the ARRL website.

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Amateurs Must Protect New Radars in 23 cm Band:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:06 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28090

The Federal Aviation Administration is deploying a new generation of Common Air Route Surveillance Radar (CARSR) that has some implications for the use of the 1240-1300 MHz (23 cm) band by amateurs. The Amateur Service allocation in this band is on a secondary basis, with aeronautical radionavigation and several other services primary in the United States Table of Frequency Allocations. The FCC rules require that amateur stations operating in the 23 cm band may not cause harmful interference to stations in the radionavigation-satellite service, the aeronautical radionavigation service, the Earth exploration-satellite service (active) or the space research service (active). One case of harmful interference in Southern California has been reported.

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ARRL Seeks Comments on Proposed 33 cm Band Plan:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 09:54 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28089

A few months ago, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz-3.5 GHz. The response was beyond our expectations, with hundreds of comments and suggestions received.

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April 18 is World Amateur Radio Day:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 09:55 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28088

The year 2012 marks the 87th anniversary of the founding of the
International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). To mark this occasion, the
IARU and its more than 160 Member-Societies will celebrate World
Amateur Radio Day on April 18. For many years, the IARU has declared a
theme for each World Amateur Radio Day.

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Malaysia to Host Eight Global Radio Emergency Conference:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 10:03 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28087

The Eighth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference
(GAREC) -- called MyGAREC 2012 --
will be held November 12-14 in the Malaysian state of Negeri Sembilan
at the Thistle Port Dickson Resort.

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FCC Enforcement Actions for January-March 2012:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 09:56 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28086

Here's a summary of FCC enforcement actions during the past quarter
(January-March 2012):

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NZ4O HF RX Prop Fcst 20-16:

Posted: 13 Apr 2012 09:46 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28077

Forecast #2012-16 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 13, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday
April 14, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 20, 2012.

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Hams in Space Team at Ararat Hambash:

Posted: 12 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28076

It's almost time for The Ararat Shrine Hambash in Kansas City, Missouri on
Saturday, April 21, 2012. Appearing again at this year's Hambash will be
Hams in Space, the team of Randy Schulze - KD0HKD, Eddy Paul - KY0F, and
Jeremy Widner, K0PDX, formerly known as the KC Amateur Radio Satellite Team.

549. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 15 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-15 06:13:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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April 29 2012 Mt Beacon Hamfest Tymor Park LaGrangeville NY

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 03:18 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342328-April-29-2012-Mt-Beacon-Hamfest-Tymor-Park-LaGrangeville-NY&goto=newpost

The MBARC Hamfest is April 29th this year. Come one, come all.

Click on the link below to view and print our flyer. Please spread the word.

Thanks, Pete N2YJZ

http://wr2abb.org/home/wp-content/up...est-Flyer3.pdf

Tymor Park LaGrangeville

Dutchess County, New York 12540

Talk-in on 146.97 □600 (tone 100)

249 Duncan Road GPS N41 39.240, W73 41.818

For More Info Contact

David Ruth KC2AFK

(845)677-5079

kc2afk@optimum.net

550. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 15 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-15 11:07:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340b3d77428c04bdb5b6d5@google.com>
Source record: 3217
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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50 to 52 MHz available in Portugal from April 26

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W2xwtuDuM0s/50_to_52_mhz_in_portugal_from_april_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

João Alberto Costa CT1FBF brings news of an extension to the amateur radio 6m band in Portugal

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Digital Amateur TV Transmitter demonstration

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DQw5zNGEosU/digital_amateur_tv_transmitter_demonstration.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Justin G8YTZ has made available a video of his DATV transmitter for 70cm

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New features at the AMSAT booth at Dayton 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZG8IEB6PdSQ/new_features_at_the_amsat_booth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AMSAT booth will feature AMSAT Engineering, new publications, new apparel, amateur satellite hardware and software

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WARD 2012 Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Nmbk94y8HGg/ward_2012_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Every year, April 18 is a special day for radio amateurs from all over the world. It is celebrated to commemorate the formation of International Amateur Radio Union - IARU

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yqyU9_jvL04/april_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity remains at low levels.
New sunspot 1455 continues to grow and is crackling with low level Class-B
flares

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Amateurs must protect new radars in 23 cm band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ToJ7YYLbTJ4/amateurs_must_protect_new_radars_in_23cm_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL reports on new radars being installed in the 1240-1300 MHz band
that is used by Amateur and Amateur-satellite services

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Radio Ham established Broadcasting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IDrvJRD6Hcg/radio_ham_established_broadcasting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio operator Frank Conrad 8XK established the concept of radio
broadcasting

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Hams in Space at Hambash

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AKy2Q-OUiD0/hams_in_space_at_hambash.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Hams in Space team will be appearing at this year's Ararat Shrine
Hambash in Kansas City, Missouri

551. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1058

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-15 18:52:39 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <873957.2412.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1058

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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April 16, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, ARRL Web Page, K1XN & GoList, W1HEO, AB2E, KH2AR/W4, NG3K & ADXO, WK3N, W3UR & The Daily DX, WP3GW, K4UEE, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4GN, N4JF, KH6BZF, KH6CG, WB6RSE, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, 9A2TN, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, OZ1CTK, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, PY2YP, RSGB IOTA Web Site, VA3RJ & ICPO, VHF-DX-Portal, VE2XB and YO3JW for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-April, through Sunday, 15th-April there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9N, VK9X, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2012 DX TRAVELS/OPERATING TOUR. Jeff, N6GQ, plans to travel to several different locations this year and operate using his Elecraft K3/100. His expected schedule for the year is:

May 23-28th - Dodecanese (EU-001, GIOTA DKS-006, MIA MGD-028, WLOTA 0045); callsign SV5/N6GQ; plans to be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a SOAB QRP entry. QSL via LoTW or N6GQ.
May 28th-June 17th - Greece; callsign SV8/N6GQ; plans to be active from various IOTAs (EU-049 and EU-052) in SV8. QSL via LoTW or N6GQ.
June 17-29th - Malta (EU-023, MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113); callsign 9H3ZZ. QSL via LoTW or N6GQ.
October 23-29th - Nicaragua; callsign YN2AA; plans to be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as SOAB HP entry. QSL via LoTW or NN3W. Outside of contest weekend, look for him on 160-6 meters, and he may try 6m JT65 EME.

2012 WARD Award (World Amateur Radio Day Award). The WARD Award is designed to commemorate the World Amateur Radio Day celebrated by IARU on April 18th each year. It is issued by the MK QTC, Polish Radio Amateur's Journal, with the support of PZK, Polish Amateur Radio Union. The WARD will be granted for at least the following numbers of contacts: either 20 QSOs on the HF bands, or 10 QSOs on the VHF bands. All contacts must be made between 0000-2400z on April 18th. Send a standard application form (GCR List - log extract), including the list of QSOs, on or before May 31st to: The Radio Amateur's Journal MK QTC, Suchacz-Zamek - Wielmozy 5b, 82-340 Tolkmicko, Poland. The price of the WARD Award is 7 USDs, 5 IRCs or 5 Euros. The full colored Award size is: 210 x 297 mm. The WARD Award is also available to SWLs for the same numbers of reports. For more info on the WARD, see: http://suchacz.eu/articles.php?article_idB

5B, CYPRUS. Mark, M0DXR, will be active as 5B/M0DXR during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

5V, TOGO (Update). Wim, ON4CIT, is still reporting that a DXpedition to Togo will take place at the end of 2012 or the beginning of 2013. The callsign mentioned is 5V7TH. The exact dates are still to be determined. Details are forthcoming.

DXCC NEWS (DXCC Card Checking Rule Change). It was announced late last week that a notice of an upcoming change in an administrative procedure contained in the DXCC Rules. The change in the DXCC Rules will permit volunteer Card Checkers who have achieved DXCC on 160 meters to check 160 meter QSLs in the field, and all Card Checkers to check cards for Deleted Entities. Until now there has been a requirement that 160 meter cards be checked by Headquarters staff. The main issue has been that some cards for 18 MHz QSOs can be altered to show 1.8 MHz without the alteration being detected. Therefore, the time of the QSO becomes significant. Some cards for Deleted Entities date back to 1960 and before, and sometimes it is difficult in the field to determine what entity the card ought to count for. Deleted Entities do not count for the DXCC Challenge or for the Honor Roll but do count toward all-time totals.
After discussion during the teleconference the "Programs and Services

Committee" (PSC) unanimously voted to authorize staff to amend the DXCC rules as proposed but with no change in how Card Checkers are appointed. For complete details on the change, please take a look at: http://www.arrl.org/awards-blog

HB, SWITZERLAND (WFF Op). A group from the Switzerland World Flora Fauna, Radio Club Locarno (HB8RL) and the Insubria Radio Club (HB9IRC), will activate the following Swiss Park and Natural Reserves: April 21st - Operators HB9EFJ, HB9FBI, HB9FBJ, HB9FAQ and HB9TZA will be active as HB9WFF/P between 0700-1800z, from Magadino Park (HBFF-101, DCS-TI073, WASL-TI002, WCA-HB00898). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via HB9FBI, by the Bureau only. For more details on the park see: http://www.bolledimagadino.com April 22nd - Operators HB9TUZ, HB9EFJ, HB9FBI, HB9FBJ and HB9FAQ will be active as HB9IRC/P between 0700-1700z, from Magadino Park (HBFF-101, DRI-HB9004, DCS-TI073, WASL-TI002, WCA-HB00898). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via HB9OCR, by the Bureau only.

HF87, POLAND (Special Event). Members of the Polish Amateur Radio Club Flora Fauna (SP-CFF, SP0CFF) will be active as HF87WARD between April 17-30th. Activity is to celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day on April 18th, the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU. QSL via eQSL.cc and WFF LogSerach. For those who want to send a card direct, please send SASE to: Polish Club Flora & Fauna, Suchacz, Wielmozy 5b, 82-340 Tolkmicko, Poland. For more details, see: http://suchacz.eu/articles.php?article_idB

HH, HAITI. Tiho, 9A7GAE, is on a Red Cross mission in L&#65533;og&#65533;ne, and is expected to receive his Haitian license by the time you read this. He will be active as HH2/9A7GAE on 80/40/20/17/10/6 meters using as CP6 antenna. Activity will be limited to his free time (this is not a DX-pedition). He will operate on SSB and later on the Digital modes. His equipment arrived from the USA, but now he has a problem of finding any tower sections, cables, connectors...etc. (there is nothing available in Leogane). QSL card via his home callsign (LoTW later).

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-147. Yuki, JO2ASQ, will be active as JO2ASQ/8 from both Rishiri and Rebun Islands between April 30th and May 3rd. Look for updates on his Twitter page [in Japanese] at: https://twitter.com/#!/JO2ASQ

EU-043. Operators Ric/DL2VFR and Norbert/DL2RNS will be active as SD7V/6 and SD7N/6, respectively, from Orust Island between May 11-14th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB, with high power. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-047. Operators Friedrich/DL4BBH and Ric/DL2VFR will activate the special callsign DM50IOTA from Borkum Island (GIA N-001,

WLOTA 1022) between July 27-29th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Operations will be on all HF bands and modes, propagation permitting. QSL direct or by the Bureau to DM50IOTA.

EU-061. Operators Ric/DL2VFR and Norbert/DL2RNS will be active as LA/homecall from the Hvaler Islands between May 16-21st. Activity will be on the HF bands, using CW and SSB, with high power. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-073. Operators Vin/IK7IMO, Piero/IK7VJX and Roby/IK7XIV will be active as IJ7A from Isola San Pietro (IIA TA-002, MIA MI-094) between July 27-31th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-? entry. Operations will be all HF bands and modes. QSL via IK7IMO.

EU-090. Operators Jiri/OK1IEC, Rudolf/OK1HWS, Jan/OK1JK and Vlasta/ OK1UXH will be active as 9A8OK from Palagruza Island (ACIA IC-901, CIA-33, IOCA CI-084, MIA MC-284) and the lighthouse (ARLHS CRO-012, CLH-100, TWLHD WLH 9A-046, WLOTA 0057) between September 29th and October 6th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via OK1HWS, direct or by the Bureau. Visit their Web site at:
http://jan.kepic.cz/view.php?cisloclanku 12020002

SA-029. Operators Marcelo/PY1MT, Moreira/PU1MMZ, Mauricio/PU1SET, Jose/PY1MX and Jair/PY1HS will be active as ZV1M during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) from Itacuruca Island (DIB RJ-08), Rio de Janeiro State, Brazil. QSL via PY1MT, direct only with SASE/SAE + 2 USDs (no IRC). Their Web site is available at: http://www.casadoradioamador.blogspot.com

KH3, JOHNSTON ATOLL (Op Cancelled!). It was reported this past week that Susan, W7KFI, has officially given up on KH3. This will be a big disappointment to many who have been waiting for her to be on the air.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 9-15th)....
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Apr/18th AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.n2tta.info

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Members of the Puerto Rico Field Day Group will once again be active as KP4FD to celebrate the International Amateur Radio Union's 87th anniversary during the "World Amateur Radio Day" on April 18th. This year's theme: Amateur Radio Satellites - Celebrating the 50 years in Space in remembrance of the launch of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961, and OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962. Activity will be on the HF bands and on SSB. An electronic Certificate will be available at request via WP3GW. Confirmations will be via eQSL and LoTW.

P487, ARUBA. In celebration of the International Amateur Radio Union's (IARU) 87th anniversary, look for special event station P487IARU to be active between now and April 30th. This is the first time the prefix P487 has been activated, and actually the first time Aruba has issued a 4 letter suffix. The log will be uploaded to LoTW in due time. QSL via LoTW.

PRESS RELEASE FROM THE DESK OF RADIO ARCALA (By Martti Laine, OH2BH, dated March 14th) [edited]: "Toni, OH2UA at Controls of Remote CQ8X in Azores -- Wow, what a weekend it was! Radio Arcala's engineers allowed a first serious remote contest operation - over the internet - from the CR2X station located 4500 kilometers away from the actual operating position. It was a gas running those endless U.S. pileups from the Azores while gazing at the Northern Lights through the window at home 65 degrees north. It presented a new challenge, following the words of Hamlet - to be or not to be (there)?
With ever increasing antenna restrictions and noisier environments, going remote is the most likely way for serious folks to utilize the current technology for the common good. Radio Arcala is in the forefront of pushing for IP address driven station building blocks, such as radios and amps, while our vision is that each station accessory will soon have its own IP facility.
Running the highest continental number of QSOs (4543) in a first serious effort at remote operation shows the potential of the remote concept. There is still room for improvement and, honestly, it has to be said that the world is not ready - but we are one step closer.
Radio Arcala welcomes the approach taken by CQ Magazine's and ARRL's Contest administration in blessing our future by allowing remote operations in contesting under existing rules.
These QSOs do not count for DXCC but they do count for the true spirit of Amateur Radio, being in the vanguard of state-of-the-art technology and its applications.
Radio Arcala, OH8X, is a team of serious hams dedicating their efforts to interesting and novel areas of amateur radio. They push the issues to extreme, and their contest team, "Arcala Xtremes, is used as their test lab to verify the results. Arcala labs are located at 65 degrees north in the village of Arcala, Finland. <www.radioarcala.com>"

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 15th)

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5B/M0VKY via M0VKY JX9JKA via LA9JKA PC100T via PA7HPH
EH3MGY via EB3JT K1T via N1NS TJ6RM via OM3CGN
EJ0PL via EI5JQ LN2G via LA2G TM210VH via F4GFE
EM8NFF/P via UT7NW ON100TT via ON4EKO V29CB via KT3A
GI2012MGY via GI4GOS OT100MGY via ON4PRA YU0KRUNA via YU1EFG
GR100MGY via G3SXW

2 USDS NOT ENOUGH FOR DENMARK POSTAGE. Boye, OZ1CTK, informs OPDX that return postage from Denmark is as follows:
To Europe is 12 DKR (Danish Krone) or 1 IRC or 3 USDs
To World is 14 DKR (Danish Krone) or 1 IRC or 3 USDs
He states that he received a lot of 2 USDs which is NOT good.

HK0NA QSL UPDATE. It was announced on April 11th [edited]: "The HK0NA QSL design has been completed, and they are in the process of being printed. We expect delivery by the end of April. Our QSL Manager N2OO is posting QSL processing updates online at <www.sjdxa.org/hk0na.htm>. Watch this link for QSL updates. Please understand that this QSL operation will take time to process. Please be patient. It is anticipated that cards should START to go out in the May-June time frame. Cards will NOT be mailed all at once. They will be going out slowly as they are processed. A sample of the HK0NA QSL card can be seen on our web site <www.hk0na.com>. We wish to thank Stan, SQ8X, for the beautiful design work and Everett, WZ8P, of Franklin Printing for offering printing services. Remember that the fastest and most popular way to get your HK0NA QSL is to the use the Online Qsl Request System (OQRS). The HK0NA team hopes you enjoy the beautiful card. A lot of effort went into its design!"

P4/W1HEO QSL STATUS. "Dee," W1HEO, reports that all direct P4/W1HEO QSL requests have been answered along with all Bureau cards received to date. He will confirm remaining DX contacts via the Bureau. Note that he does not use "Logbook of The World" (LoTW), and reminds state-side operators who want a QSL to send requests with a SASE to W1HEO at 9901 Cypress Circle, Mentor, OH 44060.

QSL RECEIVED AFTER 9 YEARS! Scotty, WK3N, reports receiving QSLs for the ZW0S St. Peter and Paul Archipelago (PY0S) 2003 operation which has been deemed difficult at best. He states that after 7 tries in sending in 9 years, he finally received his QSLs. The return address on the envelope was: PS7JN-JOCA, Rua Goias, 312, Teresina-PI-Brazil.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9A5Y, 9A8A, HL2IFR, HQ2N, IR4M, JG3RPL, KH7Y, KP2/K3CT, LZ9W, TI5N, TM9R, UB5IJG, UU0JM and XE1EE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C9B, 3D2T, 9N7BM, 9Q6AL, C91NW, EA9/G3TXF, FK8CP, HU2DX, LA7QIA, PJ4/K4BAI, PS5F, RI1FJA, SV2ASP/A, T2T, TI5/JT1CO, TN2T, VP2EC, VP5OU, VP6T, VK100WIA, ZD8Z and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3D2DX, 3A2ND, 5R8IC, 6M0W/4, 6M0W/5, 9X0Z, AH2Y, AH0DX, C21AV, D2QMN, D44TBV, CN2A, H40HL, J5V, JD1BIE, JD1BLY, JD1BMH, JD1BMM, JT1GCW, KH2/WX8C, MJ/OP9X/P, RAEM, T8CW, T88RX, XV3RRC, XT2AEF and XX9TKV

SE, SWEDEN (Update/Special Event/Callsign Change). Richard, SM2TOS, and some other operators will be active as SE2EE (not SG2SNF as first announced) from Porjus between June 16-17th. Activity will be from the Lancaster bomber "Easy Elsie", which crashed at Porjus in Sweden on October 29th, 1944. They will be on the shortwave bands around the clock! They mention that they do not have to worry about daylight, as there will be sunlight 24/7!! The sun never goes down during the summer up here in the north part of Sweden. (High above the Arctic circle). For more details, pictures and QSL info, see QRZ.com. They also have a Web site at: http://www.sm2tos.se/easyelsie/eng

SV9, CRETE. Seppo, OH1VR, will be active as SV9/OH1VR from Crete (EU-015, GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) between April 21-28th. QSL via his home callsign.

TO3, SAINT BARTHELEMY (Reminder). Operators Wim/ON4CIT and Paul/ON4BEC will be active as TO3X from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) between April 16-30th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using mostly SSB and RTTY with some CW. They will look for JA stations every day during 2300-0200z on 15/12/10 meters on SSB and RTTY. QSL via ON4CIT, direct or by the Bureau. An online log will be available at ClubLog as well as an OQRS. Log will be uploaded to LoTW later in the year. For more details and suggested frequencies, see the TO3X Web page at: http://www.dxpedition.be/TO3X.html

V2, ANTIGUA. Darrell, AB2E, will once again be active as V26E from Antigua (NA-100) between May 23-30th. Activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power (A) entry -- same as last year which resulted in #2 World and #1 North America for the category. All operations before and after the contests will be either on the 30/17/12 meter bands or the lower bands. Also, for the first time he will attempt RTTY on all bands. QSL direct via AB2E for any and all operations from 1993 to present. Be sure to include an SASE, green stamp, or new IRC, or you won't get a card. Sorry, no Bureau cards at this time, and no eQSL. As of February 28, 2011, all logs from all V26E operations (including 2010) have been uploaded to LoTW as well.

V3, BELIZE. Mike, VE2XB, will once again be active as V31XB from Caye Caulker Island (NA-073) between May 11-31st. Activity will be on all HF bands, as well as 6m, using CW and SSB. He will be using his K3 into a Hexbeam. Mike states that he will be looking especially for JA stations to work this IOTA (as well as everyone else). QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com).

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. Sadao, JA1PBV, is now active as VK9XS from Christmas Island (OC-002) until April 17th. Activity is on the HF bands, 80-6 meters using CW and RTTY. A log search is available at: http://ito110.com QSL via his home callsign.

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND (Update). Trevor, VK0TH, was expected to go QRT on April 14th, but he announced this past week (April 12th), "Good News!! ? Looks like I will be able to continue operating until the 19th so that gives us another 7 days!!" See the schedule on QRZ.com for his operating hours. Trevor states, "I have been been 'squeezing' additional hours in during working days at lunchtime etc when I can." QSL via JE1LET direct ONLY.

VP9, BERMUDA. Operators Seppo/OH1VR and Egbert/OH1ZAA will be active as OH1VR/VP9 and OH1ZAA/VP9, respectively, from Bermuda (NA-005) between May 7-13th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters, and using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsign.

XP, GREENLAND. Henning, OU2I/OZ1BII, will be active as XP2I from Kanger-lussuaq during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via OZ1BII (see www.oz1bii.dk/qsl-info.htm).

XU, CAMBODIA. Barry, ZL1DD, is now active as XU7AEL from the XU7AAA Rental Shack in Cambodia until April 21st. Activity is on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

YP1, ROMANIA (Special Event/WFF Op!). A group of Romanian hams will activate the callsign YP1WFF from YOFF-111 <http://wff-yo.blogspot.com> and DYO-08 <http://danube-islands-explorer.blogspot.com> for the WFF programs on April 18th. Activity will be during the daylight to celebrate the "2012 World Amateur Radio Day" as field day operation. QSL via YO3JW.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Oliver, W6NV, will once again be active as ZD8W from Ascension Island (AF-003) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-28th) as a Single-Op entry. Look for activity on the low bands before the contest weekend. QSL via his home callsign.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update). The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia (HARAOA) is organizing a DXpedition to Campbell Island (OC-037) and will be active between November 17-30th. Campbell Island is Number 15 on the current DXCC most wanted list. The HARAOA team was finally issued the callsign ZL9HR on April 13th. The DXpedition team will consist of nine (9) operators: Tommy/VK2IR (Team Leader), John/VK3YP (Team Co-Leader), Les/W2LK, Gene/K5GS, Dave/K3EL, Glenn/KE4KY, Jacques/ ZL3CW, Pista/HA5AO and Don/VE7DS. For updates and details, visit the Web site at: http://www.zl9hr.com

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM & Rally

Just one week remaining for the 80th Anniversary IRTS AGM and Rally and you can still purchase your tickets for the special anniversary AGM dinner on Saturday 21st April. However hurry as hotel need final numbers by Thursday next. Dinner tickets are just 32, a reduction on previous years and represents great value for this very special dinner. B&B is 55 for single and a double is 65. The Venue is Fairways Hotel Dundalk, telephone 042-9321500.

Dinner tickets can be bought now by contacting Thos EI2JD on 087-2953256 or email thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by contacting any IRTS committee member.

The radio rally and exhibition will be held in the large conference hall with lots of space to move about and to peruse at your leisure. It all happens over the weekend of April 21st & 22nd, that's next weekend. A very warm welcome awaits you.

Counties Contest

The 2 metres counties contest on Easter Monday was well supported. We noted in particular that there were quite a few portable stations active, many of these from hilltop locations. Those who braved the hills on a rainy bank holiday Monday included David EI7GEB on Mohercrom, Co. Cavan and Ger EI4GXB on Tountinna in Tipperary, also Joe EI7GY who was on the Slieve Blooms in Co. Laois. We also have reports from the South Eastern Amateur Radio Group, who were operating from Devils Bit, Co. Tipperary and Fergus EI6IB manning the Shannon Basin Radio Club station from Bencroy Co. Leitrim.

As usual, most of the activity in the early part of the contest was on FM, but the SSB portion of the band livened up for the final 30 minutes of the contest.

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The examination may be held on that day at other centres where warranted by the number of candidates. Full details, including entry procedure and examination fee are available at www.irts.ie/exam.

Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination.

Mayo Radio Experimenters - Titanic Special Event Operation EI 1 MGY

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic, The Mayo Radio Experimenters will operate EI 1 MGY from the 8th to 21st of April as part of the Addergoole Titanic Society's week-long centenary programme of events which take place in the village of Lahardane, County Mayo, commencing Easter Sunday 8th April through to Sunday 15th April. In April 1912 fourteen men and women from the Parish of Addergoole, in North Mayo, set sail from Queenstown, Cork for a new life in America. Within days, eleven had died in the icy waters of the North Atlantic. Their ship, 'Titanic', sank on her maiden voyage. Rural Ireland resounds with tales of emigration, steeped in the traditions of letting go. Addergoole will never let go of the memory of eleven neighbours and friends who disappeared with that "Ship of Dreams". Please visit: www.mayo-titanic.com where you can download a brochure of the events taking place during the week.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce that they will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre again this year for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20th April - 22nd April inclusive. As you may know, Marconi Day is on 21st April this year and we will be operating over the full 24 hour period on this day in order that collectors of the Marconi Award will have the opportunity to add us to their list. Mizen Head is a beautiful location and well worth a visit.

Old Timers due at IRTS 80th Anniversary Rally

The Radio Amateur Old Timers Association made a very successful appearance at the Lough Erne Rally. Now, the Old Timers plan to be present at the IRTS 80th Anniversary Rally on Sunday 22 April.

This Association has an important role in amateur radio. It seeks to keep alive the pioneer spirit and traditions of the past in today's Amateur Radio by means of personal and radio contact, whilst being mindful of any special needs. The magazine, OT News and other publications are a rich treasure of technical and experimental information amid reminiscence and companionship. There are many in

Ireland who would enjoy playing a part in the Old Timers Association.

Cork Radio Group

Brow Head near Crookhaven in West Cork was the site of Marconi's western-most European wireless station from 1901 to 1914. Given its unique location, telegraphers there were kept busy 24 hours a day passing messages to and from ships arriving from North America.

Using the call sign EI5IMD, the very site of Marconi's station will be activated by members of Cork Radio Club for International Marconi Day on Saturday, 21 April. The event involves stations from around the world, many operating from sites directly connected with Marconi. It is not a contest but rather a celebration of Marconi's birth on 25 April 1874 and his inventions that literally changed the world.

This year is the 25th anniversary of IMD, which is sponsored by the Cornish Radio Amateur Club. The club's newly-designed website, GB4IMD.com, contains much interesting information including station histories, photographs, historic IMD QSL cards, and a list of award stations for the IMD Award.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

For those who have expressed interest in participating in Theory Classes leading to the Amateur Radio Licence with South Eastern Amateur Radio Group, there will be an information / planning session at our next general meeting which takes place at 8:30 p.m. on Monday 30 April in the Roanmore Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All are welcome!

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May. South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. The callsign is EI2GEO (pending approval). Activity will mainly be on HF. Anyone wishing to get involved should contact the club on info/ at/searg.com or phone Mark Wall on 087-6302026. For more information about the Geopark, visit www.coppercoastgeopark.com For more information about SEARG visit the clubs web site on www.searg.com

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DX News

Wim ON4CIT and Paul ON4BEC will be active from the Caribbean island of St Barthelemy from 16 - 30 April. They will use the callsign TO3X and will mainly be on SSB and RTTY with some CW. The IOTA reference for this one is NA-146 and the QSL info is via ON4CIT.

The 2012 Asian Weightlifting Championships will be held later this month in South Korea. To celebrate the event the special callsign DT12AWC will be activated from 14 - 30 April. This will be of interest

to prefix chasers. QSL Manager is DS2GOO.

Another call of interest to prefix chasers is 6H6IARU which will be aired by members of the Grupo DXXE in Mexico until 18 April. This is to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day and the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union.

A multi-national group is operating as 9M0L from the Spratley Islands in the South China Sea. They hope to be QRV until 24 April. This is quite a rare DXCC entity and a high demand for contacts is expected. The IOTA reference number is AS-051.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

553. eHam.net News for Sunday 15 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-15 22:17:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357c751dcd604bdbf1305@google.com>
Source record: 3220
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Fans Ham It Up in Lewes:

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28106

LEWES -- Since 2004, the Lewes Amateur Radio Society has been embracing and promoting short-wave communication in the Lewes community and beyond. What was a five-member group of local amateur radio operators at its inception has expanded to 41. The group meets over the airwaves on a weekly basis when there's no in-person meeting scheduled. Amateur radio operators are licensed by the federal government and are given codes to identify themselves. "It's a very diverse group and they're a hoot to be with," member Mike McClanahan said, adding that the members, while mostly retired, have been involved in numerous industries. McClanahan, or W3RMM, has had his license since the mid-1950s and is still amazed by it. "It's the awe of being able to converse with people around the world without picking up the phone or spending a lot of money," he said. "It's a neat hobby. It's just fun, it really is."

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Citizen Scientists Track Rain Drop by Drop:

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28105

Inside Jim Ridgley's living room in Frederick, Md., the fire station scanner chatters nonstop and the AM radio buzzes with weather reports. A hand-held ham radio sits by the easy chair in case Ridgley needs to radio in severe weather alerts to the National Weather Service's Skywarn network.

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ARNewsline Report 1809 -- Apr 13 2012:

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 04:35 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28104

The following is a QST. Carole Perry, WB2MGP, celebrates a quarter of a century leading educators and youth forums at the Dayton Hamvention, an FCC enforcement in California action may not be what it seems, entry level hams in Belgium to get a power increase on the High Frequency bands and a United States broadcaster pays homage to its oldest and longest listener. Find out who she is on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1809 coming your way right now.

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The FCC Wants to Know What Digital Modes Hams Use for Emergencies:

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 04:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28103

The FCC wants to know what digital modes hams are using to
relay messages in an emergency or disaster.
It seems they do not have a database of this information.

554. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 16 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-16 06:07:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c7332213e04bdc5a449@google.com>
Source record: 3221
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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TRARC Hamfest Mckeesport PA.

Posted: 15 Apr 2012 05:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342379-TRARC-Hamfest-Mckeesport-PA&goto=newpost

The Two Rivers Amateur Radio Club Mckeesport Pa. will have their hamfest on
April 29 2012.

Lots of great prizes. and good food.

www.trarc.net there is a copy of the hamfest flyer on our homepage.

Hope to see you there 73 Steve

555. funny pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-16 07:14:58 UTC
From: sarojini ganesan <gsarojini1989@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <74e5efd1-19b1-4e69-89ea-3b6e76446e69@px4g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3222

http://share862.webs.com/

556. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 16 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-16 11:07:26 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303ddb1aa4ee5104bdc9d2d4@google.com>
Source record: 3223
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Invader CubeSat - A Student Art Satellite

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/X7tk3IGxHmk/invader_cubesat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARTSAT PROJECT-1: INVADER is the world’s first 'Art Satellite' currently being developed as a part of the 'ARTSAT: Art and Satellite Project' which aims at a practical use of a satellite for art and design

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ISS Amateur Radio contact with Scouts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CusRPyuvOrY/ariss_event_success_1404.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact took place between astronaut Dan Burbank KC5ZSX and Japanese Scouts on April 14, 2012. Watch a video of the event

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Lizard events mark Titanic disaster centenary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zbuHSysb-5I/lizard_events_mark_titanic_disaster_centenary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In their report on the Titanic commemorations, the Falmouth Packet newspaper interviewed radio amateur David Barlow G3PLE

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Titanic 'hotspots' in radio link with Maryport

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HPP1cck-RE0/titanic_hotspots_in_radio_link_with_maryport.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC reports on the commemoration of the Titanic disaster by the Workington Amateur Radio Group

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First activation of Botley Flour Mills for Mills on the Air weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3yqtQOMZtiE/first_activation_of_botley_flour_mills.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Botley Flour Mills nr Southampton is one of the uk's oldest known milling sites and is listed in the doomsday book and is believed to have been a mill site in pre-Roman times

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IRTS 80th Anniversary AGM and Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2vzg9vrwUdk/irts_80th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Less than one week remaining for the 80th Anniversary Irish Radio Transmitters Society AGM and Rally and you can still purchase your tickets for the special anniversary AGM dinner on Saturday 21st April

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cWYm0CJlCVQ/dxcc_report_1604.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-April, through Sunday, 15th-April there were 222 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_qGxDBA_1tA/april_16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Radio club amateurs take to the airwaves

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/da1JMB0WnAM/radio_club_amateurs_take_to_the_airwaves.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Bendigo Advertiser reports on the Field Day activities of the Midland Amateur Radio Club

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Old Timers due at IRTS 80th Anniversary Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ojcgc6dcmZQ/old_timers_at_irts_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Amateur Old Timers Association made a very successful appearance at the Lough Erne Rally. Now, the Old Timers plan to be present at the IRTS 80th Anniversary Rally on Sunday 22 April

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cb92_8dHWTQ/history_16_april.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

557. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 15th April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-16 12:00:14 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120416120003.9FDF033C98@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3224
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 15th April 2012

The news headlines:

* Amateur band restrictions during the Olympic & Paralympics Games

* World Amateur Radio Day

* Volunteer for the Training and Education Committee

The RSGB attended a meeting on 5 April at Ofcom for a briefing on Ofcom's spectrum management proposals for the amateur services for the period 28 June to 23 September 2012. The proposals have yet to receive final drafting revision and approval within Ofcom, before publication on their website. The Society will augment this publicity to help ensure that members are aware of the limitations and the importance of restricting our operating during the Olympic period. Unfortunately, some of the current draft became more widely circulated than was intended during the process of internal consultation. It contains some information that may not be included in the final version. Members are asked to await the formal announcement from Ofcom. The Society will be preparing full coverage of the restrictions that cover 70cm and the two lower microwave bands. This will include the concessions, still being worked upon, for contests during this period.

On 18 April it is World Amateur Radio Day and also the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union. This year's theme for the World Amateur Radio Day is Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space, in remembrance the launches of OSCAR 1 in December 1961 and OSCAR 2 in June 1962. There will be several special event stations from IARU Member Societies active on different dates during April including 6H6IARU, 3G73IARU and LZ1WARD. The Portuguese national society will have CR6IARU on the air until 19 April, QSL via CT1REP. The Polish national Society is running an award for World Amateur Radio Day, details can be found at http://suchacz.eu/articles.php?article_id=42.

RSGB Members will by now have seen the announcement about the new Training & Education Committee and the appointment of Steve Hartley, G0FUW, as Chair. Steve now needs to recruit a committee to be Chair of and is seeking volunteers. If you feel you have something to offer and are willing to spend some time on moving things forward, please contact Steve with a brief note about yourself, what you feel you can add to the mix and any specific aspect of the new committee you would be

particularly interested in. You can e-mail Steve via hartley_steve@hotmail.com. There are a number of projects on the 'to do' list so please do not be shy in putting your hand up. Without wishing to exclude anyone, Steve would be especially interested to see younger members, female members and those from ethnic groups coming forward to represent the Society as a whole.

Since the start of April, prior to a full allocation, Canadian amateurs have been invited by their regulator to apply for a special interim developmental licence for 5MHz under the VX9 callsign series. The channels and conditions are identical to the current USA 60m allocation. Following discussions, the regulator will publish a consultation document for radio amateurs in the official Canada Gazette. At the successful conclusion of this consultation period the current 60m allocation will be made generally available as part of the requisite Canadian amateur radio licences. In the meantime, the offer of an interim special developmental licence is meant to provide for early access to the 60m channels available. The first to receive one of these licences was Russ Hemphill, VE3FI, who was issued with the call VX9GHD.

Belgium's national society, UBA, reports on plans to allow Belgian Foundation licence holders to run 50W on the HF bands instead of the current 10W. Belgian Foundation holders are currently permitted 50W only on 144 and 430MHz. UBA says via its website that taking into account the so called 3dB rule, which would permit the use of a standard 100 watt transceiver. The full proposal in electronically translated English is online at tinyurl.com/Belgium50wFoundation. The RSGB AGM will take place on 21 April at the Swan Hotel, Bedford. Full details are in the April RadCom. The hotel would like some indication of the numbers who will be having lunch on the day of the AGM. Lunch will be soup and a sandwich and will cost £8. To register your intent, please visit www.rsgb.org/agmlunch and submit your name and callsign.

A new online Software Defined Radio located in Sweden and set for reception of the amateur radio 75, 60, 40 and 20m bands is now available via the internet. Located in the city of Mora and maintained by SM4JLX, the system is made up of three Soft66lite receivers and a bandpass filter. You need both Java and JavaScript enabled for the WebSDR to work properly. You can hear it online at tinyurl.com/sweden-sdr.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 15 April, the 50th NARSA Blackpool rally will take place the Norbreck Castle Exhibition Centre, Blackpool FY2 9AA. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as special interest groups and a RSGB book stand. Doors open at 10.30am. More details can be obtained from Dave, M0OBW on 01270 761 608.

Also today, 15 April, the Cambridge Repeater Group Rally will be held at Foxton Village Hall, Hardman Road, Foxton. Doors open at 10am and

admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from Lawrence, M0CLM on 01223 711 840.

The 28th Yeovil QRP Convention takes place on 22 April in Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 3AA, which adjoins the central shopping car park. Doors open 9.30am and there will trades stands, a Bring & Buy as well as a lecture programme. Contact Derek, M0WOB on 01935 414 452 for more details.

On 22 April the West London Radio & Electronics Show will take place at Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames, Middlesex TW16 5AQ. There is free car parking and doors open at 10am. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special interest groups. Details from Paul, M0CJX on 08451 650 351.

The Radio Security Service Reunion will take place at Bletchley Park on 22 April. Starting at 11am, all are welcome to this event commemorating the 1,500+ radio amateurs who monitored German signals in WWII. There will be lectures and a vintage equipment exhibition. The National Radio Centre is also open for visitors until 4pm.

Now for the news of special events

Today, 15 April, is the final day of operation for many stations commemorating the centenary of the loss of RMS Titanic in 1912. A list of the stations we have heard about is on the RSGB website.

On 18 April the Polish National Society will put HF87WARD on the air for World Amateur Radio Day. QSL via eQSL.cc and WFF LogSerach. For those who want to send card direct, please send a SASE to Polish Club Flora & Fauna, Suchacz, Wielmozy 5b, 82-340 Tolkmicko, Poland.

International Marconi Day takes place on 21 April. Details of the many stations taking part can be found at www.gb4ind.com.

North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20 to 22 April.

Oxford and District Amateur Radio Society will be operating from the Museum of the History of Science in the centre of Oxford with the call sign GB4MHS on 21 April. The museum is the home of the Marconi Collection of his original experimental and production wireless equipment. Other events during the day include a talk by Brian Hawes, G2KQ, on Wireless at the time of the Titanic, sending Morse code and an auction of Marconi memorabilia. For details and times see www.mhs.ox.ac.uk/events. Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society will be at Sandford Mill for International Marconi Day on 21 April from 10am to 5pm.

Ripon and District ARS are organising the first Inns and Pubs on the Air weekend. Using GB2TH they will be operating from the base of the Tan Hill Inn on 21 and 22 April. The location is the highest licensed

premises in Great Britain at 1732 feet ASL. If you have a local licensed meeting place that has a history attached to it and would like to operate for the weekend then please email ipa@waylock.co.uk.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Alan, VK4WR and Graeme, VK4FI will be active as E51BKM and E51GMH respectively from Aitutaki, South Cook Islands until 27 April. They will operate CW and SSB, mainly on 6 to 40m. QSL via their home callsigns, direct only.

Wim, ON4CIT and Paul, ON4BEC will be active as TO3X from St Barthelemy, IOTA reference NA-146, from 16 to 30 April. They will be using 6 to 40m, mainly SSB and RTTY with some CW. QSL via ON4CIT, direct or via the bureau, and Logbook of The World.

Members of the Macclesfield and District Radio Society will be active as GS4MWS/Pp from Colonsay, IOTA reference EU-008, from 15 to 21 April. QSL via M0PAI.

Now the contest news

The First 50MHz contest takes place from 0900 to 1200UTC today, 22 April. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

On Tuesday 17 April the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The data leg of the 80m club championships takes place on 19 April from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The SSB leg of the EU Sprint Contest takes place on Saturday 21 April from 1600 to 2000UTC. Using the 3.5 to 14MHz bands, the exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name. And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 6th of April to Thursday the 12th, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 13th of April.

Most days only saw two small visible sunspot groups and with it solar activity was mostly at very low levels. On the 6th, 7th and the 9th activity did just manage to increase to low levels, when a small C class solar flare took place on those days. Solar flux levels declined from 99 units on the 7th to 93 units later in the period. The average was 95 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 12th was 114 units. That's three units down on last week. It's hard to believe that at the start of the year the level was at 145 units. X-ray flux levels showed little variation day to day and averaged B1.3 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day except for a small disturbance on the 7th this was due to a sustained period of the Bz remaining southward. During the evening of the 12th when a coronal hole disturbance arrived. The Ap index was 14 units on the 7th and 12th and in single figures on the remaining days. The average was Ap 7 units. Solar wind data from

the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 290 and 380 kilometres per second but during the 12th speeds increased to around 610 kilometres per second, heralding the start of coronal hole disturbance. Particle densities were low every day except for a brief increase to 31 particles per cubic centimetre during the 11th. Bz varied between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus 8 and plus 7 nanoTeslas on the 7th. MUFs tended to be a shade down on predicted values on most days. The Lyrids meteor shower will be active from the 16th, peaking shortly after dawn on the 22nd. Normally, the second half of April sees the start of the summer sporadic-E season for the northern hemisphere. Therefore, occasional openings could take place during the coming week.

And finally, the solar forecast. This week, solar activity looks set for another quiet week with solar activity at very low to low levels. There is though a slight chance that activity could increase later in the week. Solar flux levels are expected to be slightly below the 100 mark but could rise towards next weekend. The effects of a coronal hole disturbance should have just passed and for most of the coming week geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 19MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 23MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 18MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We are experimenting with a new format for Local News this week. As some clubs have several events per week, their contact details were being read out several times. This week we are listing clubs in alphabetical order, mentioning all their events together, and only reading the contact details once. Please tell the editorial team what you think of this idea by emailing us via GB2RS@rsgb.co.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK.

Cheltenham ARA is having three short talks on Thursday 19 April. Details from Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

Coventry ARS is running the 2nd round of their 2m DF Trophy on Friday 20 April. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

Derby & DARS is having a talk on the development of the telegraph from the 1700s to 1900s plus a demonstration of vintage telegraph sounders by Roy, G4WPW on Tuesday 17 April. Email Richard Buckby, via radio@dadars.org.uk.

Friskney& East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding a SSB club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization on Monday 16 April from 7pm, an M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm on Wednesday, and a club net on GB3FR from 8pm on Friday. For more information contact the FELCC information line on 07554 362 020.

Gloucester Amateur Radio and Electronics Society is having a newcomers DF hunt on Monday 16 April. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime only please.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday 16 April, taking part in the 1.3GHz UK AC on Tuesday, having a formal meeting and natter night on Wednesday, running a simplex club net on 145.375MHz and taking part in the 80m Club Championships Data leg on Thursday 19 April. They are in the shack on Saturday morning and also running a trip to RSGB AGM in Bedford on Saturday 21 April. Full details from Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Loughborough & DARC is holding an open forum on simple circuits on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

Melton Mowbray ARS is having a talk and demonstration by Leicestershire Fire Brigade on their search and rescue dog team on Friday 20 April. More information from Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

Midland ARS is having a laptop computer evening and training classes on Wednesday 18 April. Norman, G8BHE, has the details on 07808 078 003.

Salop ARS is on the air on Thursday 19 April. Details are online at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

South Birmingham RS is holding a committee meeting Monday 16 April, has training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL on Thursday, is having a construction evening on Friday and visiting to Kempton Park Radio rally on Sunday 22 April. Details from Don, on 0121 458 1603.

South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening on Wednesday 18 April. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

Telford & DARS is having a training session on the club 2m DF equipment on Wednesday 18 April. Mike, G3JKX, has the details on 01952 299 677.
Welland Valley ARS is holding its AGM on Monday 16 April and taking part in the 80m CC DATA contest on Thursday. Contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

Wythall Radio Club is having a talk on CW contesting without knowing much CW by Lee, G0MTN on Tuesday 17 April, and a club trip to Kempton Park Radio Rally on Sunday 22 April. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We are experimenting with a new format for Local News this week. As some clubs have several events per week, their contact details were being read out several times. This week we are listing clubs in alphabetical order, mentioning all their events together, and only reading the contact details once. Please tell the editorial team what you think of this idea by emailing us via GB2RS@rsgb.co.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK.

Leicester Repeater Group has announced that 6m repeater GB3UM was switched off on 4 April due to the failure of the aerial in the winds the previous day. As the aerial had broken off and was blowing around in the wind the repeater was switched off to prevent damage to the power amplifier and to avoid any possible problems with the receiving side of any of the other co-sited repeaters including GB3CF. Repairs will be carried out as soon as possible and GB3UM will be back on the air at the earliest opportunity.

Angel of the North ARC is on the air on Monday 16 April. Details from Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

Bolton Wireless Club is looking at Gerry's 13cm transverter with Bob, G8DTF on Monday 16 April. Email boltonwireless@gmail.com for more information.

Chester & DRS is having a talk by G4JMF & M3SHK on power supplies on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

Denby Dale RC is having part 2 of the introduction to CW by Richard, M0RBG on Wednesday 18 April. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Durham and District Amateur Radio Society is on the air on Wednesday 18 April. Contact David, M0BPM, on 0191 388 8113.

East Cleveland ARC is holding a technical forum on Friday 20 April. More information from Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

Halifax & DARS is having a presentation by Gerald, G3SDY on a practical approach to traps and trapped dipoles on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

Hornsea ARC is having a talk on amateur TV by G0AZQ on Wednesday 18 April and is taking part in the 80m CC Data on Thursday. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Morecambe Bay ARS is holding a construction competition on Tuesday 17 April. Details from Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

Ripon and District ARS is preparing for Inns and Pubs on the Air on Thursday 19 April and running GB2TH for that event from Tan Hill on Saturday and Sunday. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

Sheffield ARC is having a talk on Flex Radio by David, M0EQD on Monday 16 April and is participating in the RSGB 80m Club Championships data leg on Thursday. Contact Peter Day, G3PHO, vy email to

sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

South Manchester R&CC is having a talk on the features of a modern transceiver by Ron, G3SVW on Thursday 19 April. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999. Stockport RS is having a session on dipole construction and tuning with Tom, M0DCG on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is holding Morse Tuition putting G0NWM on the air on Friday 20 April. More information from Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

Wirral & DARC is at the NARSA Blackpool Radio Rally on Sunday 15 April, having a drink & waffle at the Egremont Ferry Hotel, Wallasey on Wednesday and taking part in the North Wales DF on Sunday 22 April. Contact Simon, G6XHF, on 01516 013 269.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Mid-Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be running a Foundation license course on Friday 11 and Saturday 12 May. Information on fees and how to apply is on the club website, www.muarc.com, or from Bertie, 2I0RGD, via email to robert.gilliland@btopenworld.com. The deadline for applications and payments is Friday 27 April.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND We are experimenting with a new format for Local News this week. As some clubs in some regions have several events per week, their contact details were being read out several times. This week we are listing clubs in alphabetical order, mentioning all their events together, and only reading the contact details once. Please tell the editorial team what you think of this idea by emailing us via GB2RS@rsgb.co.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK.

Aberdeen ARS is having a guest speaker on Thursday 19 April. Details from Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

Cockenzie & Port Seton ARC is visiting Marine Protection Vessel JURA at Leith Docks on Friday 20 April. Contact Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

Glenrothes & DRC is reviewing the club equipment inventory and holding Morse practice on Wednesday 18 April. More information from Laurie, MM0LJA via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

Livingston & DARS is holding Morse code practice on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

Wigtownshire ARC is having a talk on test equipment by Clive, GM4FZH on Thursday 19 April. Details from Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We are experimenting with a new format for Local News this week. As some clubs have several events per week, their contact details were being read out several times. This week we are listing clubs in alphabetical order, mentioning all their events together, and only reading the contact details once. Please tell the editorial team what you think of this idea by emailing us via

GB2RS@rsgb.co.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK.

We start with advance notice that Chelmsford ARS will be holding an Advanced amateur radio exam for external candidates on Thursday 31 May. In order to sit the Advanced you must have first passed the Intermediate exam. Note there is no Advanced course, those taking the exam will need to have studied at home or have taken a Distance Learning course. It can be difficult to find an Advanced exam session in the South-East of England so the extra CARS exam session is likely to prove popular. Early booking is essential. Further details and booking information are available from the CARS training organiser Clive, G1EUC on 01245 224 577 or on the web at www.g0mwt.org.uk/training. Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is holding a club net on GB3BF from 8.30pm on Monday 16 and Thursday 19 April, and chatting with the radio club in twin town Ortsverband Bamberg on 7.127MHz QRM on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

Braintree & DARS is holding a construction contest on Monday 16 April. Details from John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

Bromley & DARS is having a talk on MPS Historical Comms by Richard, G8ITB on Tuesday 17 April. More information from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

Burnham Beeches RC is having an antenna workshop with G0SKA and G8XCK on Monday 16 April. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

Chelmsford ARS is holding a club net from 8.30 on Tuesday 17 April and operating GB100MWT from 10-5pm at Sandford Mill on Saturday 21 April. Details from Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Chesham & DARS invites members to bring along their radio equipment for a Members Forum on Wednesday 18 April. Contact Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

Colchester Radio Amateurs is having a talk on WSPR by Matt, 2E0XIS on Thursday 19 April. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

Cray Valley RS is holding its AGM on Thursday 19 April. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

EARS-GB is delighted to announce that its first club meeting is to take place at 7pm at Elstree Aerodrome on Thursday 19 April. All those interested in amateur radio are invited to attend. Experienced and friendly club organisers will be on hand to talk about the wonders of world wide communications. It will be a hands on evening and refreshments will be provided. For more information contact Chris, G0WTZ, by email to G0WTZ@ears-gb.com.

East Kent RS is at Kempton Park Rally on Sunday 22 April. Contact Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

Fort Purbrook ARC is having its first field-day style event over the weekend of 21 and 22 April. The club station M0GZN will be activated at its home QTH of Fort Purbrook, on the grass area next to main parade ground. The event is strictly for club members and invited guest operators only. The aim is to have a fun weekend and gather experience for a similar activation in May when the club will be supporting CASHOTA for the first of their award weekends. Further information will be published on the club website, www.fparc.org.uk and on QRZ.com.

Hastings E&RC s holding its spring auction of used & surplus equipment at Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Upper Church Road on Saturday 21 April. Doors open at 9am for the auction at 10.15. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

Havering & DARC is having an overview of RAYNET by Paul Harrison, G8MJH and Phil Williams, G6AQP on Wednesday 18 April. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

Horndean & DARC is having a talk by Laurence Barker entitled `If in doubt measure' on Thursday 19 April. More information from Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

Loughton & Epping Forest ARS is holding its AGM on Friday 20 April. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

Mid-Sussex ARS is having a talk on the Sussex Auxiliary Unit by Stewart Angell on Friday 20 April. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

Norfolk ARC is running a club net from 7.30pm on GB3NB on Monday 16 April, having a demo of software defined radio by Chris, G0DWV on Wednesday, taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship data leg on Thursday, and participating in the 25th International Marconi Day on Saturday with Steve Nichols, G0KYA. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678. Reading & DARC commences its Intermediate course on Tuesday 17 April, which will continue until 12 June. Contact Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

Shefford & DARS is holding its spring junk sale on Thursday 19 April. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a fix-it, move-it-on, advice clinic and informal chat on Monday 16 April. More information from John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

Swindon & DARC is having a talk on the Chairman's Challenge by James, M1DST on Thursday 19 April. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

Trowbridge & DARC is having a natter night and committee meeting on Wednesday 18 April. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends only please.

Verulam ARC is having a talk by G3SEW on the open source electronics prototyping platform Arduino on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

West Kent ARS is holding its AGM on Monday 16 April. More information from Keith, G4JED, by email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

Wey Valley ARG is having a radio photo quiz by Adrian Boyd, G4LRP on Friday 20 April. Details are online at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

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Appledore & DARC is having a talk on talkthroughs, repeaters and filters by Steve, G6SQX on Monday 16 April. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251.

South Bristol ARC is holding a Family Quiz Night on Thursday 19 April. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Thornbury & South Gloucestershire ARC is having a video night on Wednesday 18 April. More information from Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

Torbay ARS is having an operating night on Friday 20 April. Details from Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES Carmarthan ARS is holding an open night on Tuesday 17 April. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297, for more information.

558. World Amateur Radio Day -- April 18

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-16 13:50:54 UTC
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Source record: 3225
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Here is a note from Allen Pits, W1AGP, Meida and PR Manager for the ARRL.

Newington, CT, USA. -- There are over 700,000 “ham radio” licensees in the USA and about 2 ½ million worldwide. This international community of wireless communications devotees will celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on April 18th as they recall the advances their Amateur Radio Service has made for modern man. The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) and its member societies representing more than 160 countries around the world celebrate World Amateur Radio Day each year on April 18, the anniversary of the founding of the IARU. This is the 87th anniversary of the foundation.

Their theme for 2012 is Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space in remembrance of the launch of the first Amateur Radio satellites OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962. Since then, radio amateurs have had several more satellites as they find new ways to communicate world wide without relying on commercial systems. Their ranks have included people like "Steve" Wozniak and John Sculley of Apple, Dr. Karl William Edmark who invented the heart defibrillator, Scott Durchslag, the Chief Operating Officer at Skype, and Dr. John Grunsfeld of NASA and the Hubble Space Telescope.

Today’s hams continue to explore new frontiers. Radio amateurs are finding ways to use frequencies at the fringes of the radio spectrum while developing marriages of radio and the internet and experimenting with new forms of digital communications. Ham radio operators are “amateurs” only because they are unpaid volunteers, but their skills and contributions to the world are of the highest order.

For more information, please see www.IARU.org

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559. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 09 - 15 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
09 - 15 April 2012

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. Low levels were
observed on 09 April and 15 April. Region 1450 (N16, L=324,
class/area Esi/180 on 06 April) produced a C2 flare at 09/0122 UTC
while Region 1451 (N17, L=306, class/area Cro/020 on 30 March)
produced a C3 flare at 09/1244 UTC. Associated with the C3 flare was
a Type II Radio Sweep (478 km/s) and a CME first observed in
SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery at 09/1325 UTC off the west limb with an
estimated plane of sky speed of 767 km/s. Solar activity was at very
low levels until 15 April when two low level C-class flares were
observed just around the north east limb at 15/0140 UTC and 15/0234
UTC respectively. A faint partial halo CME was also observed
beginning at 15/1000 UTC in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery with the majority
of the ejecta directed off the northeast limb. The CME was
associated with a B9/Sf flare that occurred at 15/0908 UTC from
Region 1459 (S16, L=96, class/area Dai/80 on 15 April). None of the
CMEs are expected to be geoeffective.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels on 12 April. Moderate levels were reached on 09, 10
&amp;amp; 11 April and again on 13 April. High levels were reached on 14
&amp;amp; 15 April.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to minor storm conditions
with a period of major storming observed at high latitudes. The
summary period started with mostly quiet conditions until 12 April.
At approximately 12/0300 UTC, solar wind speed began to show a slow
rise while the total field (Bt) component of the interplanetary
magnetic field (IMF) increased to around 10 nT as a coronal hole
high speed stream was moving into a geoeffective position. Solar
wind speeds gradually increased to approximately 655 km/s by 13/0848
UTC. The geomagnetic field responded with quiet to active periods on
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12 April and active to minor storm periods with an isolated major storm period through mid-day 13 April. By noon on 13 April, solar wind speeds were elevated still around 616 km/s, however the total field had decreased to around 3 nT. Solar wind speed slowly decreased to around 430 km/s by the end of the period. The geomagnetic field was at mostly quiet levels with isolated unsettled to active periods from late on 13 April through the end of the summary period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
16 April - 12 May 2012

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low levels with the slight chance for M-class flares during the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to begin the period at high levels, and remain so through 18 April. Conditions are forecast to decrease to normal to moderate levels through 10 May, before increasing to high levels again on 11 and 12 May.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period at mostly quiet levels and remain so through 19 April. Quiet to unsettled conditions are forecast due to a solar sector boundary crossing (SSBC) anticipated on 20 April, before returning to mostly quiet conditions on 21 and 22 April. Unsettled to active levels are forecast on 23 and 24 April from an expected recurrent coronal hole (CH). Mostly quiet levels are expected to return 25 April through 01 May. Should see unsettled to active conditions on 02, 03, & 04 May as the ambient background solar winds speeds should increase along with more possible southward Bz. Quiet conditions should return 5-8 May, before the return of high speed solar wind from a large negative polarity CH on 9, 10, 11 May, which is forecast to produce unsettled to active conditions and a possible isolated minor storm in the night sector. 12 May should see a return to mostly quiet levels to round out the period.

560. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 16 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-106 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor@amsat.org

Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould, WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor the Dayton News Page for the latest AMSAT at Dayton news and developments.

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New Features at the AMSAT Booth at Dayton 2012

The 2012 Dayton Hamvention, sponsored by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association will be held this year on May 18-20, 2012. AMSAT will occupy the same booths (444-449) in Ball Arena, right across from the ARRL area and just inside the door from the Satellite Demonstration area. Plan to visit all of the AMSAT activities!

The AMSAT booth will feature AMSAT Engineering, new publications, new apparel, amateur satellite hardware and software. The AMSAT Forum will be on Saturday May 19.

All of the latest AMSAT at Dayton information is posted on-line.

Engineering

We will have an engineering model of the 1U Cubesat Fox, the operational ARISSat prototype, Fox telemetry display and the Penn State student experiment for Fox.

New Publications

2012 Getting Started with Amateur Satellites2012 Laminated Frequency Card

New Apparel

White golf shirt with AMSAT Fox logoWhite baseball cap with AMSAT Fox logoTee shirt with Fox satellite design and Fox logo

Hardware

ELK Antennas and optional coversLVB Tracker boxes

Software

Latest version of SatPC32

If you renew your AMSAT membership at the AMSAT booth you will receive an AMSAT insulated stainless steel coffee mug.

AMSAT Hotel

The cutoff date to book a room with the AMSAT group is April 20. The hotel is the Country Inn and the cost of the room (with 2 Queen Beds) is $99. If you are interested in staying with the AMSAT at Dayton, please call Martha at the AMSAT Office at 301-589-6062.

AMSAT/TAPR Friday Night Banquet

AMSAT/TAPR Banquet on Friday night, May 18 is one of the main AMSAT activities during the 2012 Hamvention at Dayton.

AMSAT is pleased to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured speaker for the evening event. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle, the 64 - 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver. This innovative USB device is the size of a thumbdrive and has an SMA antenna socket. Multiple SDR control and display software programs can be used with the FUNcube Dongle.

Banquet tickets will not be sold at the AMSAT booth during the Hamvention so reservations must be made through the AMSAT Store. Tickets are $30 apiece.

ARISS Mentor Introduction at Dayton 2012

AMSAT and ARRL are teaming up during the 2012 Hamvention to recruit new ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators.

Friday and Saturday (May 18 & 19) at 4pm in the ARRL stage area AMSAT Vice President for Educational Relations Mark Hammond N8MH will explain the need for additional ARISS Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators and the requirements and responsibilities needed to help provide a reliable conversation between astronauts and selected schools or groups.

Technical Mentors serve as an advising and coordinating liaison between NASA, the school or group making the ARISS contact, and the Ground Station Operators, who set up the satellite station at the contact location. We encourage anyone interested in helping make future school contacts with the ISS successful to please attend.

AMSAT to Facilitate Student Satellite Contacts

AMSAT is encouraging all students attending the 2012 Dayton Hamvention to come by the Satellite Demonstration Area just outside of the Ball Area entrance and make a contact using the amateur satellites. There will be AMSAT volunteers there to explain how to make the contacts and during actual satellite passes will try to get as many students as possible to complete actual contacts. There are lists of satellite pass times in the satellite demonstration area and at the AMSAT booth.

[ANS thanks Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

Silent Key: Dee Interdonato, NB2F

AMSAT has received the sad news of the passing of Dee Interdonato, NB2F on April 8, 2012. Dee was one of the editors of the AMSAT News Service and an AMSAT New Jersey Area Coordinator. He was the main point of contact for many amateurs as he covered most of the New Jersey hamfests on behalf of AMSAT. Dee was one of the mainstay volunteers for AMSAT at the Dayton Hamvention for years. He also gave satellite presentations for the clubs in New Jersey. Dee helped where ever he could, often behind the scenes. He worked on QSL duties for SAREX, ARISS, and ARISSat-1 missions so many of you have likely received a card from him.

Dee was a well known and respected mentor for amateur satellite opertors, helping them understand the technical details and make successful radio contacts via satellites.

Dee's other amateur radio activities in Northern New Jersey included the Bergen Amateur Radio Association, Bergen County CERT, AMSAT, and he was the treasurer of the Bergen County FM Association. Dee, and his wife Ginny, N2EYN always participated in the Dayton Hamvention and AMSAT Symposiums.

Dee was the principal trumpet player for the Rutherford Community Band and a member of the Waldwick and Westwood Community Bands. He was also an avid hunter and a member of the Association of New Jersey Rifle and Pistol Clubs.

Before retiring he was the supervisor of the Radio Shop of the Port Authority of NY/NJ.

The funeral was held on Friday, April 13 in his hometown of Lodi, New Jersey. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Colesville Rd., Suite 100, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 or AMSAT, 850 Sligo Road, Suite 600, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Read the obituary forDee Interdonato, NB2F obituary here.

[ANS thanks the AMSAT Office for the above information]

April 19 California Flabob Airport ARISS Contact

ARISS technical support volunteer, Clint Bradford, K6LCS said this week that "It's a Go!" for students at the The Tom Wathen Center at the historic Flabob Airport in Jurupa Valley (Riverside County), California, for an amateur radio call from the International Space Station on Thursday morning, April 19, 2012 at 10:03AM PDT (UTC-7). The link will be via telebridge contact via IK1SLD providing the radio link to space and then connecting via phone lines with the students.

The Tom Wathen Center was chosen for this Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact during an open application process in the Fall of 2011. The 10-minute live question-and-answer session will take place in Flabob□s Hanger 16A conference center, and is free to the public.

To prepare for the ARISS contact, Flabob students are studying the history and mission of space station and mission control, rocket fabrication, astronaut selection and training, and mission control and station operations along with radio technology and communication topics.

An amateur radio station is operational onboard the International Space Station. Most astronauts have amateur radio licenses and operate the onboard station to contact radio amateur ground stations in their free time. Per an agreement with multiple space agencies involved with building the ISS, ARISS prepares and implements educational contacts for students - more than 120 in 2011 alone. Amateur radio operators on the ground volunteer their radio station, expertise and time to make the conversations between the students and astronauts happen. The ARISS international working group is supported by the national radio amateur societies AMSAT-NA and the American Radio Relay League (ARRL).

This ARISS contact is one in a series with educational organizations in the U.S. and abroad to improve teaching and learning in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. It is an integral component of Teaching From Space, a NASA Education office. The office promotes learning opportunities and builds partnerships with the education community using the unique environment of human spaceflight.

Clint published all of the details on the Flabob Project Web site.

The City of Jurupa Valley will declare the week of April 15-21 'Space Week' at their April 19, 2012 regular city council meeting acknowledging the efforts of the students at The Tom Wathen Center's Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy, who have spent months learning about space exploration while preparing for their amateur radio contact with the

ISS.

[ANS thanks Clint Bradford, K6LCS for the above information]

UT1FG/MM and K8YSE Enjoy Eyeball QSO Aboard Ship

John Papay, K8YSE had a unique experience on Easter Sunday, April 8 when he got the opportunity for an eyeball QSO with Captain Yuri Bodrov, UT1FG/MM aboard the MV Barnacle traveling from Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada on Lake Superior en route to Puerto Rico via the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway.

Yuri has been activating wet grids as UT1FG/MM operating this year from the MV Barnacle as he sails the seas between Europe, South America, the Caribbean, and North America. Last year Yuri captained the MV Mottler on a similar sea voyage when many first met him operating on the air via the amateur radio satellites. He is the Captain of the state-of-the-art seagoing vessel with 10,000 horsepower plant.

John had an idea that he could drive from his QTH to watch as the MV Barnacle passed through the Welland Canal connecting Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. The ship would have to pass through eight locks which might put John and Yuri within shouting distance.

On Saturday night John and Yuri chatted on 144.200 sideband as the MV Barnacle sailed from the Detroit River and across Lake Erie en route toward Lake Ontario. Yuri estimated his arrival at the Welland Canal would be around 0800. John hit the road from his QTH at about 0315 Sunday morning,

passed customs to enter Canada and then drove to the Lake Erie entrance to the Canal.

Sunday morning John met up with Kevin, VE3RCN/VA3OR in Port Colborne, Ontario. Radio contact was established with Yuri on 146.520 MHz. The ship came in sight along the Lake Erie shore. John and Kevin were within waving distance. As the MV Barnacle entered Lock 8 the shore party was close enough to talk with Yuri aboard the ship.

As the ship cleared the lock John and Kevin lost contact for a short time. They were able to catch up with Yuri at the next lock. As the new Canal Pilot was boarding ship John got an invitation to come aboard. John boarded as the ship lowered to the dock level. He told what happened next, "A minute later I was on the bridge with Captain Yuri UT1FG. Finally I was able to meet a guy that I've been working on the satellites in hundreds of water grids since April 2009!"

A tour of the ship included a visit to Yuri's cabin, one level below the bridge. His quarters are quite nice and private. This is where he operates with his IC706, manually tuning the radio and doing a great job at that! The power supply from HP1CQ (see ANS-078) sat on the table in the corner and a computer running Orbitron is on the other side.

Yuri now has an ELK antenna installed (thanks to the efforts of Rick, WA4NVM). It is mounted on a manually rotatable mast that goes up from the bridge, starboard side, directly above his cabin. The ELK is tilted up at 15 degrees and was just installed on the way back from Thunder Bay. A CJU antenna is mounted on the crossboom next to the ELK. A vertical for 2 meters is on a separate mast above those antennas. Until this season Yuri only used the 2 meter vertical for transmit and re-ceive. The CJU improved things greatly and the ELK takes it to a new

level. Yuri plans to install SatPC32 when he has more free time on the open sea; passing through the St. Lawrence Seaway keeps him and his crew very busy.

John said he sailed with Yuri until Lock 2 where it was time to get back ashore. Kevin, VE3RCN/VA3OR and his XYL Donna, VE3WIZ were waiting and gave John a ride back to his car, 30 miles away in Port Colborne.

John wrote, "I want to thank Kevin VA3OR/VE3RCN and his wife Donna, VE3WIZ, for spending their Easter Sunday hosting my visit to the Canal. I'm sure they had better things to do but they decided to take me all around and make my visit a memorable one. I hope they enjoyed the day as much as I did." And a big thanks to Master Yuri Bodrov and his crew for their hospitality. It was an experience that very few will ever have."

Yuri plans to work the water grids on the way south to San Juan, Puerto Rico where he is due on April 20. The next port-of-call for Yuri and the crew of MV Barnacle is yet to be determined. Yuri will be the Captain until the end of May, 2012. If you work Yuri on the air QSL via his manager UX0FY (on qrz.com).

[ANS thanks John Papay, K8YSE for the above information]

NASA-TV Plans Coverage of April 17 Washington DC Shuttle Fly Over

NASA's 747 Shuttle Carrier Aircraft (SCA) with space shuttle Discovery mounted atop will fly approximately 1,500 feet above various parts of the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area on Tuesday, April 17.

The flight, in cooperation with the Federal Aviation Administration, is scheduled to occur between 10 and 11 a.m. EDT (UTC-4). NASA Television and the agency's web site will provide live coverage.

The exact route and timing of the flight depend on weather and operational constraints. However, the aircraft is expected to fly near a variety of landmarks in the metropolitan area, including the National Mall, Reagan National Airport, National Harbor and the Smithsonian's Udvar-Hazy Center. When the flyover is complete, the SCA will land at Dulles International Airport.

Discovery completed 39 missions, spent 365 days in space, orbited the Earth 5,830 times, and traveled 148,221,675 miles. NASA will transfer Discovery to the National Air and Space Museum to begin its new mission to commemorate past achievements in space and to educate and inspire future generations of explorers.

For more information about NASA's transfer of space shuttles to museums can be found here. This NASA YouTube video shows the flight of the Shuttle Carrier Aircraft.

Following the event NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland will publish a photo slideshow on the Goddard homepage and on Goddard's Flickr page.

[ANS thanks NASA and Perry Klein, W3PK for the above information]

Mexico Satellite Activation for IARU Celebrating 50 Years in Space

Members of the Grupo DXXE in Mexico will use the special call 6H6IARU on 160-6 meter and via satellite from different grids between April 13 to April 18. This station marks the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) 87 years ago and the "World Amateur Radio Day" on April 18.

This year's World Amateur Radio Day has the motto "Celebrating 50 Years in Space" with the first launches of amateur radio satellites OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961, and OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

QSOs with 6H6IARU count for the IARU Region 2 award, several FMRE awards and the DXXE award. QSL via N7RO, LoTW. More information is posted on the DXXE web page.

[ANS thanks DXNL 1775 DX Newsletter for April 11, 2012 for the above information]

Satellite Beacon Mission Suggested for Asteroid Apophis

This week UniverseToday.com carried an article about a Russian mission proposal to send a satellite with a radio beacon to asteroid 99942 Apophis to better determine its trajectory and find out how big of a threat it might be to Earth in passes the asteroid will make in 2036 and 2068.

Apophis is approximately 270 meters (885 ft) in diameter, the size of two-and-a-half football fields.

Apophis is expected to make a record-setting ☐ but harmless ☐ close approach to Earth on Friday, April 13, 2029 when it comes no closer than 29,450 km from Earth (18,300 miles). The Russian Academy of Sciences said, "From the technical point of view, the mission could be started for implementation around 2015".

[ANS thanks UniverseToday.com for the above information]

Russia to Build Nuclear Space Engine by 2017

In contrast to last week's ANS-099 news item about Switzerland's EPFL University's MicroThrust ion motor which will be capable of reaching the Moon using just a tenth of a liter of fuel, a news report published on Space-Travel.com this week says a Russian Megawatt-class

nuclear propulsion system for long-range manned spacecraft is under development.

Russian space officials believe that nuclear engines for interplanetary spaceships are a very promising area, as solar power is too weak to be used as a power source at distances beyond Earth's orbit.

The megawatt power system may be the power plant producing the high energy required for an ion thrust system capable of powering manned spacecraft to the moon, Mars, and interplanetary destinations.

NASA started a program to develop a nuclear propulsion system in 2003, and spent several hundred million dollars on the project before cutting funding.

[ANS thanks Space-Travel.com for the above information]

India's Atharva Satellite Ground-Station Inauguration

The Atharva College of Engineering, University of Mumbai in India has inaugurated the Atharva Satellite Ground Station. Currently, they are associated with the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay for the communication, telemetry and data acquisition of their Pratham student satellite project.

The primary aim of the Atharva Satellite Ground-Station team at the is to establish a center for the development of wireless technology and satellite communication in Mumbai. During the journey of the last three and half years, we have grown from fundamental research phase to the current phase where we have achieved full operational status.

During the formal inauguration on March 15, 2012 VU2MUE used VO-52 to communicate over a distance of 850 Miles with VU2YEP located in Delhi, the

Indian Capital.

The Atharva Satellite Ground-Station Team has an objective of providing communication and telemetry services for the various satellite projects undertaken by the student satellite teams around the globe.

The student blog and photos are posted on-line. The APRS locator map is available here.

[ANS thanks the Atharva Satellite Ground-Station Team for the above information]

CubeSat TURKSAT-3USAT in the Press

The AMSAT-UK web has a story about the Ankara based Amateur Satellite Technology Association (TAMSAT) which has received more press coverage for their new CubeSat TURKSAT-3USAT. The 3USAT is expected to launch near the end of 2012.

IARU coordinated frequencies are:

Transponder uplink: 145.940-145.990 MHzTransponder downlink: 435.200-435.250 MHzCW beacon: 437.250 MHz

This cubesat is a three unit CubeSat developed for SSB/CW communications in low earth orbit. The VHF/UHF transponder and all other sub-systems, except the stabilization, are doubled for redundancy. Where possible, both COTS systems and in-house development is employed.

The energy is provided using lithium polymer batteries together with super capacitors. Satellite stabilization is accomplished using passive magnetic attitude control system with hysteresis rods. The satellite is to include de-orbiting system which will make it re-enter the atmosphere following completion of its life time.

Read the newspaper story in Google English on-line.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Cuba Satellite Group (GROS) Hosts Country-wide Events

Raydel, CM2ESP reported April 13-14 was a busy weekend for Cuba's recently founded "Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales" (GROS). The events were coordinated in commemoration of the first human manned spaceflight by Yuri Gagarin the April 12, 1961, the inaugural launch of NASA's Space Shuttle on the same day of 1981 and the celebration of the 87th Anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU, on April 18, 1925. This year the IARU theme for "World Amateur Radio Day" on April 18 is "Celebrating 50 Years in Space" with the first launches of amateur radio satellites OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961, and OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

On Friday night Hector CO6CBF hosted a talk about amateur radio satellite on Cuba's Pico San Juan 2m repeater. He gave a presentation about GROS, a brief history of amateur radio satellites, and a talk about current

operational satellites. Additional topics included station requirements and equipment and operating practices. Arnaldo Coro, CO2KK, Cuba's second ham in perform a satellite QSO and Cuba's first in conduct a EME QSO was a special guest.

On Saturday morning Pavel CO7WT gave a talk at Camagüey City Amateur Radio Club. His presentation also included information about GROS, satellite status, equipment and operating techniques, orbital mechanics, and a discussed how to set up a APRS/Beacon Packet station using the ISS digipeater.

[ANS thanks Raidel Abreu Espinet, CM2ESP for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

AMSAT's Fox-1 Paypal donation widget went over the $6000 mark on Saturday, April 14! Thank you for your generous support.
The NASA SkyWatch 2.0 Java applet shows when visible ISS passes worldwide are happening. The applet runs in your browser window.

1. http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/realdata/sightings/

2. Click Start Applet (some systems may require Java upgrade)

3. When Skywatch starts click on your continent.

4. Then click on nearby city. Use the buttons to select how you want your data reported.
The SA AMSAT Space Symposium will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal on Saturday 12 May. The theme of the symposium is 50 years of amateur satellites celebrating the launch of OSCAR 1 fifty years ago. The full program and registration details are on-line.
It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK. The AMSAT front page news has the instructions to submit your nominations.
The Ararat Shrine Hambash in Kansas City, Missouri will be on Saturday, April 21, 2012. Appearing again at this year's Hambash will be Hams in Space, the team of Randy Schulze - KDØHKD, Eddy Paul - KYØF, and Jeremy Widner, KØPDX, formerly known as the KC Amateur Radio Satellite Team. They've dusted off and revised their informative and entertaining presentation on how to work the FM Amateur Radio Satellites for the 2012 Season. The Hambash will be held at 5100 Ararat Drive, Kansas City, Missouri 64129.
As the ISS orbited 240 miles (386 km) above Volgograd, the Expedition 30 crew captured a photo of Moscow at night. The night lights of Ireland and England are visible in this photo from the ISS. While we're looking out of the window on the ISS ... Soyuz and Progress spacecraft are still lit by the setting sun as the International Space Station flies over Europe at night.

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center posted a movie captured by the STEREO spacecraft showing coronal mass ejections slamming into Mercury. In this movie the Sun is just to the left of the field of view and the Earth would be millions of miles to the right. Mercury is the bright object moving from right to left against the background of stars near the center of the images.
Enjoy a photo tour of the cockpit of the space shuttle Endeavour on the SpaceFlightNow web.
Keep Spaceport Gagarin in mind for future vacation plans. Russia is building the facility as a part of entertainment resort Vazuza and Yauza Park, being built in Smolensk region, 200 kilometers from Moscow. It will host museums, entertainment facilities, exhibitions and tours for Russian and foreign guests, especially children.
Southgate ARC site has a news item about a 2007 Japan-Broadcasting Corporation TV report about amateur radio Moonbounce (EME) 8N1EME Big Dish operation.
Visit this AMSAT-UK web link to download the free April, 2012 issue of SatMagazine. The student built Hiscock Radiation Belt Explorer (HRBE) amateur radio CubeSat formerly known as Explorer-1 [PRIME] is featured on page 10.
Eric Knaps, ON4HF posted NOAA APT satellite pictures that he received with his FunCube dongle on-line.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that please keep in mind the memory of ANS

Editor Dee Interdonato, NB2F who became a Silent Key this week. This was Dee's week for the bulletins. Take a moment and wish him 73 and offer thanks for all Dee did for AMSAT.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

K9JKM at amsat dot org

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The FCC wants to know.

Posted: 14 Apr 2012 12:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342306-The-FCC-wants-to-know&goto=newpost

The FCC wants to know what digital modes hams are using to

relay messages in an emergency or disaster.

It seems they do not have a database of this information.

http://arvideonews.com/dcc2011/2011_...nications.html

2011 DCC - Digital Modes for EmComm - FCC

If you were limited to use just one

or two HF ARQ digital modes, to

send messages whose content

absolutely and positively had to

be accurately received, what

would they be?

Email: curt.bartholomew@fcc.gov

I suggest the following information in the following format:

1. Name as it appears on your license.

2. Callsign

3. City

4. County

5. State

6. Member of: ARES/RACES/MARS?

7. Title/Position

8. HF Digital Mode 1

9. HF Digital Mode 2

10 Other Comments/Suggestions

561. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 16 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-16 16:40:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f839c3f29bcc904bdce7b24@google.com>
Source record: 3228
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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South Dakota QSO Party April 20-21, 2012

Posted: 15 Apr 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342461-South-Dakota-QSO-Party-April-20-21-2012&goto=newpost

South Dakota QSO Party April 21 - 22, 2012 (wrong date on title of thread)

This is your chance to make contact with the "5" active hams in South Dakota. (just kidding)

We hope to have a good showing for this years QSO party including a few rover stations. Please pass this on to your email lists and message boards. Anyone who wants to request the activation of rare counties can email admin@dtdxcc.org and we will see what we can do.

Complete schedule of rover stations activating rare counties located at this webpage.

Thanks to the Dakota Terrirtory DX & Contest Club for creating the website for the QSO Party

Stay tuned for an announcement of a new South Dakota Worked All Counties Award

Event and awards sponsored by the Dakota Amateur Radio Network

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85th Birthday of Pope Benedikt on Monday 16.04.2012 - DM6HK are QRV !

Posted: 15 Apr 2012 05:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342372-85th-Birthday-of-Pope-Benedikt-on-Monday-16-04-2012-DM6HK-are-QRV-!&goto=newpost

85 Birthday of Pope Benedikt on Monday 16.04.2012 - DM6HK are QRV !

Hallo Hamradio Station around the world the Station DM6HK are QRV from the Birthplace of Pope Benedikt XVI.

85 Birthday of POPE BENEDIKT XIV at 16.April. 2012.

QRV on

40m 7.180 MHZ

20m 14.180 MHZ

17m 18.140 MHZ

15m 21.280 MHZ

12m 24.940 MHZ

10m 28.480 MHZ

6m 50.180 MHZ

2m 145.712 MHZ FM Repeater local.

70cm 439.012 MHZ also via ECHOLINK on DB1BKN Note-Nr: 501817

Im QRV from 10.00 UTC to 20.00 UTC.

Im QRV also QRV from 16.04.2012 to 30.04.2012 and i hope to work a lot of Station around the world.

Best Dx and 73 from DM 6 HK from the Birthsplace of Pope Benedikt XVI.

562. eHam.net News for Monday 16 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-16 22:23:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934053ddaab8f04bdd344f7@google.com>
Source record: 3229
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Club Amateurs Take to the Airwaves:

Posted: 15 Apr 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28109

VIDEO might have killed the radio star, but radio amateurs are alive and well in Bendigo.
Yesterday was a national amateur radio field day. Across Australia clubs promoted the hobby under the banner 'tune into the world'. Down at the Bendigo Showgrounds, the Midland Amateur Radio Club set up shop, showing people the internet still had an old-school competitor when it came to worldwide communication. Club member Graeme Knight said radio was still the most efficient form of communication despite some of its old-style technology. "Radio is a direct form of communication, you don't have to go through complex networks," he said. "So all you need is a radio, a battery and an antenna. That lends itself well to emergency communications. If the internet is down or phone towers are down, we can still use radio. "In times of disaster amateur radio clubs come along and provide communication while infrastructure is rebuilt."

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English Town Honors Its Titanic Hero:

Posted: 15 Apr 2012 05:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28108

A museum in Godalming, England, mounts an exhibit on the centennial of the Titanic sinking to honor senior telegraph officer Jack Phillips, whose calm under pressure saved hundreds of lives.

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The Sun Has Got Its Spots On - Will This Bring A Bright Outlook?

Posted: 15 Apr 2012 05:17 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28107

COULD be in for some improved winter weather over the coming years, according to Dr Ryan Milligan. He's a 36-year-old Queen's University astrophysicist who was formerly based at Nasa - and who, in his spare time, does road haulage work, just to keep his hand in. He's a native of Ardglass, Co Down and a member of a family that has been involved in the fishing business for generations. With a group of other astrophysicists around the globe, he is trying to penetrate the many mysteries of the sun.

He's something of an inspirational figure, too - particularly for late academic developers. When he did his A-levels he gained two Bs in pure and applied maths and an E in economics - not exactly the sort of grades expected of a future Nasa astrophysicist. After that result, Milligan did what many students before and since have done - he took some time out. He travelled the world for a while, drummed in rock bands, studied sound engineering, worked in fish factories and coal yards, and also made a living driving lorries after getting his HGV licence. Then, when he was 23, he decided to enrol at Queen's to pursue a degree in astrophysics, and later with his first-class honours Masters degree was head-hunted by Nasa. His particular focus is on solar flares, massive eruptions or explosions in the sun's atmosphere, which are becoming more frequent these days due to the increase in the number of sunspots.

563. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 17 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-17 06:18:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c7368206d04bdd9e60a@google.com>
Source record: 3230
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Looking to share a ride from Rahway, NJ to Dayton

Posted: 16 Apr 2012 04:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342502-Looking-to-share-a-ride-from-Rahway-NJ-to-Dayton&goto=newpost

I live in Rahway, NJ (Near exit 12 on the Turnpike and 5 minutes from exit 135 on the Garden State Parkway.

I am looking for someone who is driving the the Hamvention this year, I might be able to help you out with a free place to stay.

I will share Gas and Tolls for going to and returning from Dayton.

If you can help please email me at: WS2L@QRZ.COM

564. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 17 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-17 11:06:33 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410abb07f3104bdddec9e@google.com>
Source record: 3231
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Wray Scarecrow Festival GB4WSF

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0hef6CMGXZE/wray_scarecrow_festival_gb4wsf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This year is the 25th anniversary of the festival and special event station
GB4WSF will be on the air to celebrate

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Video - GB100MWT Titanic Special Event Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/k09qy5WSenY/gb100mwt_titanic_special_event_station_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A short montage from the GB100MWT Titanic Special Event Station.
Transmissions from Great Baddow, near Chelmsford, Essex - the birthplace of
radio

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GI100MGY Titanic Commemoration Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-MpC0sGvdds/gi100mgy_itanic_commemoration_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A video showing the Project White Star station GI100MGY, operated for 8
hours by Margaret Barr MI6WAG, is now available

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CR6IARU - WARD 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LTwcoHb4Aw4/cr6iaru_ward_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To celebrate the World Amateur Radio Day and the 87th Anniversary of the
founding of the International Amateur Radio Union, IARU, special event
CR6IARU by the Rede dos Emissores Portugueses - REP

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Spectacular explosion on the Sun

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g1XP2RVVYpw/spectacular_explosion_on_the_sun.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On April 16th around 17:45 UT, magnetic fields curling over the sun's
northeastern limb rose up and erupted, producing one of the most
visually-spectacular explosions in years

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World Amateur Radio Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iYGGWImIevI/world_amateur_radio_day_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On 18 April 2012, radio amateurs will be celebrating World Amateur Radio
Day, on the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur
Radio Union or IARU

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Mozambique operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mgv92ecNYBU/mozambique_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Daniel ZS6JR and Dior ZS6DJD will be operating from Mozambique for seven
days starting on the 3th or 4th of May 2012 depending how quick they get
the equipment up

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The New England QSO Party

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FgoPkAxxb_Q/new_england_qso_party.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The New England QSO Party is coming in just one month - the weekend of May
5-6. Last year we had 74 different stations from all Western Massachusetts
counties on the air, and we'd like to have more activity this year

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IOMARS new blog site

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QnMltFU0_BE/iomars_new_blog_site.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Isle of Man Amateur Radio Society has created its own 'official' blog
on the internet

565. Actress HOT pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-17 12:26:18 UTC
From: suki suki <sukisuki912@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <463767f6-0932-48b0-8a54-820c18e569d6@a8g2000pbe.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3232

Actress hot picture see and enjoy it http://indiasolo.com/46/share379/

566. Actress HOT pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-17 12:27:03 UTC
From: suki suki <sukisuki912@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a62ae065-7163-42e3-94d3-fd490b296339@ot8g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3233

Actress hot picture see and enjoy it http://indiasolo.com/46/share379/

567. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 17 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-17 16:11:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f839c3fa3a79d04bde23086@google.com>
Source record: 3234
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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YW5PI Patos Island

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 02:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342630-YW5PI-Patos-Island&goto=newpost

Members of Caracas DX Group will be active from Patos Island (IOTA SA-048)
19-22 April 2012 as YW5PI

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en..._patos-island/

73 Al 4L5A

568. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 17 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-17 16:28:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e89fe28263b04bde26b92@google.com>
Source record: 3235
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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The first production units of the PT 8000A by Hilberling have been delivered

Posted: 16 Apr 2012 09:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342530-The-first-production-units-of-the-PT-8000A-by-Hilberling-have-been-delivered&goto=newpost

From HamRadioNews.net:

http://hamradionews.net/2012/04/hilberling-pt-8000-a/

Quote:

Priced at: Euro 13.290,□

I'll take two, thanks...

Link to the Hilberling website:

http://hilberling.de/en/en_son/index_en.htm

I've seen these at Dayton for the last several years...it's not clear to me
if they have a US distributor.

Mike - N8MSA

569. eHam.net News for Tuesday 17 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-17 22:39:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410abd8b56b04bde799f0@google.com>
Source record: 3236
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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'Ham' Takes Over City Park:

Posted: 16 Apr 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28112

Wires were strung from tree to tree and from pole to pole at Brewton City Park Saturday when the Brewton Amateur Radio Union (WB4ARU) set up for broadcasting and demonstrations.
Several members of the ham radio organization gathered in the park to broadcast and advertise the fact that they were having a radio party in the park. WB4ARU was the call signal of Jimmy Godwin, who was the main force behind the forming of the original club and who built the first repeater. Godwin died just before the repeater became operational.

570. The ARES E-Letter for April 18, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-18 06:23:37 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120418055515.AC8AB20749@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3237
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARES E-Letter

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==> FCC SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENTS ON EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS BY AMATEUR
RADIO AND IMPEDIMENTS TO AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

In response to the Congressional directive to prepare a study to assess
Amateur Radio's role in emergency and disaster communications and the
impact of private land use regulations on the amateur community's
ability to provide such communications, the FCC issued DA 12-523
soliciting comments from the public. The period for public comment runs
until May 17, 2012.

"As part of the study contained in Public Law No. 112-96, the
Commission has opened a 45 day period for comments to be filed on the
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issue," said ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. "Because of the short deadline for the study to be completed and presented to Congress -- before the end of August -- the ARRL and the amateur community must quickly mobilize their response."

The FCC Public Notice focuses on two specific areas for comments. The first is the role that Amateur Radio has played and continues to play to support emergency and disaster relief organizations, such as FEMA and local/state emergency management agencies. The second is to determine impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio communications. This would include the impact that private land-use regulations -- such as deed restrictions and homeowner association covenants -- have on the ability of licensed amateurs to fully participate in providing support communications to the served agencies.

"This study is not about zoning ordinances or regulations adopted by the local or state governments," Henderson explained. "Amateurs already have the limited protection of PRB-1 to assist them with those situations. The areas of concern here are the limitations that are placed on a property when it is purchased, either as part of the deed of sale or by restrictions imposed by the neighborhood/homeowner's association. Those restrictions -- sometimes referred to as CC&Rs -- are not currently covered by the FCC's PRB-1 decision from 1985."

To allow the ARRL to quickly collect and collate relevant information from the amateur community to help support the filing it will make with the FCC on this issue, a website has been setup. The site -- www.arrl.org/ccr-study-information <http://www.arrl.org/ccr-study-information> -- provides details about what kind of information is needed by the ARRL.

Also on the site, you will find links to two online data collection forms. The first form allows you to provide information about specific emergency communications in which Amateur Radio has played a role since January 2000. The second form asks for specific information on the CC&Rs/deed restrictions that control your property. It also asks you to provide information on how those restrictions have impacted your ability to fully support emergency communications.

"Whether you are an ARRL member or not, your information and situation are important to helping us make the case for all amateurs," Henderson said. "Whether your support communications are with ARES®, RACES, SKYWARN, CERT or other emergency and disaster groups, your voice should be heard. If you cannot operate effectively from home during an emergency because CC&Rs prohibit adequate antennas on your property, that is important to document and quantify. This issue affects all of Amateur Radio, not just ARRL members."

Henderson said that due to the short timeframe that the FCC has allotted for public comment, time is of the essence. In order to allow the ARRL to develop its comments, the ARRL asks that all information sent by the amateur community be received at the ARRL no later than

April 25, 2012: "We realize this is a very short turnaround asking for your response, but this is based on the time provided by the Commission for the comment window."

It is important that when you provide specifics of your CC&R, you also provide the ARRL with a copy of its actual wording. If you have the CC&R in a digital format (or you can scan the document into a file), it can either be uploaded through the website above or it can be sent via an e-mail to CCRinfo@arrl.org . If you do not have an electronic format, a hard copy may be sent via US mail to: CCR Study Information, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

"We need factual, specific details," Henderson said. "The more accurate information we have -- including copies of the CC&R language -- the stronger case we can make. Having copies of the exact CC&Rs is important. It allows us to demonstrate the wide variation of restrictions. Including the specific text is as important as any other piece of information you provide."

If you have questions about what is being requested, you may contact the ARRL Regulatory Information Office via e-mail <reginfo@arrl.org>. "Again, time is of the essence in this matter," Henderson said. "This is the best opportunity that amateurs have had to address the impact of overly burdensome private land use restrictions. If Amateur Radio is to succeed in this effort, it is going to take all of us working together."

==> NORTH TEXAS ARES/RACES OPS RESPOND TO TORNADOS

On April 3, perfect conditions conducive to tornado activity converged on North Texas. A slow moving front, combined with abnormally warm temperatures and moist air coming in from the south, produced large hail, numerous funnel clouds and tornados. As the weather worsened, hams in North Texas activated ARES® and RACES nets. Spotters reported their observations to their local Emergency Operations Center, which acted on that information in a timely manner to inform the public of the approaching storms, giving them time to get to safety. A total of 21 confirmed tornados -- including one EF3 and two EF2 twisters -- swept through the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex during the seven hour storm. More here <http://www.arrl.org/news/north-texas-hams-respond-when-tornados-strike>.
-- ARRL Letter

==> ARRL EPM MIKE COREY, KI1U: PUT YOUR EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER ON THE AIR

How often is the Amateur Radio station at your local emergency operations center on the air? Only during emergencies? For nets? For training? In many cases the EOC Amateur Radio station may only see activity when it's needed, but this really shouldn't be the case. This Amateur Radio station plays two critical roles. First it is the station you will rely on during an emergency. Not just for the operator at the

EOC, but all those communicating with your EOC via Amateur Radio. Second, it is your Amateur Radio showcase to your served agencies.

Putting this station on the air, not just regularly but as often as possible, accomplishes several things. Each time you are on the air you are training. You are learning about propagation, band conditions, and improving your operating skills. In doing this you also learn more about your station. You learn its strengths and weaknesses, its capabilities, and you become more familiar with the equipment. Finally, you learn to identify problems in the station. Through regular activity you develop a baseline of how the station should perform. When something goes wrong you will know it quickly and be better prepared to fix the problem.

This on the air activity also has other potential benefits. As you and your group spend more time exercising the station your served agency will take notice. They will see that this station has value. They may even take interest in how well it is performing. And don't forget that through activity you are given the chance to promote the Amateur Radio Service. Remember there's more to it than emergencies and public service, don't miss an opportunity to show off the other facets of our great service.

The opportunities to get on the air are diverse. Your group could make it a goal to add an operating achievement to the wall such as DXCC or Worked All States. Participating in a contest is a great way to hone your operating and traffic handling skills (a contest exchange is traffic!). It also provides a great way to test your station's capabilities. You can also design a friendly in-house competition between operators, and see who can make the most QSO's each month or log check ins to HF nets.

Never forget what truly makes Amateur Radio a great asset, the spectrum to provide communications. We have this spectrum because we use it, not because we talk about using it. As an Amateur Radio operator you should get on the air as much as possible and so should your EOC station. -- Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL HQ

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN TSUNAMI EXERCISE: PUERTO RICO AND U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

The National Weather Service Forecast Office in San Juan, in coordination with the Puerto Rico Seismic Network and the Caribbean Tsunami Center prepared the exercise called LANTEX12 <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/sju/?n=lantex2012_pns>. The purpose of this exercise, held on March 28 at precisely 9:04 am AST, was to support tsunami preparedness efforts throughout Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands.

The exercise tested sirens, the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and how well messages get on the air on local radio, TV, cable and other outlets. Also tested were evacuation procedures in public schools

around the island. The drill scenario was an earthquake off the shores of South Carolina, and the Tsunami wave it would create.

Angel Santana, WP3GW, reported that he was present at the Agencia Estatal de Manejo de Emergencias y Administraci&#65533;n de Desastres- AEMEAD (Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency - PREMA) central offices, and served as Net Control using the KP4CVR call of the Cuerpo de Voluntarios Radioaficionados team, for which he is a volunteer. Santana was on the KP4CAR - 147.210 Mhz repeater system taking reports from all eleven Zones in which rhe agency divides the island. [The KP4CAR repeater is sponsored by Carlos A. Rosado, KP4CAR, the owner and trustee, and is one of the best situated on the island -- during Hurricane Irene it was one of the few on the air.] The agency wanted to know how Amateur Radio operators learned of the activation to have an idea of which communication systems worked best. Amateurs from Mayag&#65533;ez up to the island of Vieques reported in. There were several others on other repeater systems and on HF participating in the drill.

Here is a TV report <http://www.wapa.tv/noticias/locales/exitoso-el-simulacro-de-tsunami_20120328162652.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+WapatvNoticias+(WAPA.TV%3A+Noticias> about the exercise. Satellite telephones were also used, and the KP4 Amateur Radio operators net was activated. As an aside, AEMEAD Director Heriberto Sauri lamented that only one cellular company participated in the exercise -- some cell phone companies were under fire last year for not sending any test messages as planned.

This is the third year in a row that Amateur Radio has participated in this exercise. -- Angel Santana, WP3GW, ARRL Puerto Rico Section Public Information Officer

==> STORM OPERATOR JENNIFER MELFI, KC2TMA, RECEIVES SPECIAL SERVICE CITATION

On August 27 and 28, 2011, for 28 hours during Tropical Storm Irene, 13 year old Jennifer Melfi, KC2TMA, assisted the Town of Babylon (New York) Emergency Operations Center by calling for volunteers on the radio several hours before the storm struck. She tirelessly provided emergency communications, relaying information about shelters and highways to Town of Babylon officials, Red Cross shelters and other nets throughout Long Island.

In January, Senator Owen H. Johnson (D-4), presented her with a much deserved Citation at the Ham Radio University event at Briarcliff College in Bethpage, New York. The citation states, in part, "Age does not play a factor in one's ability to volunteer their time to serve one's community. This citation recognizes your outstanding community service to the residents of the Town of Babylon, may you be an inspiration to others who follow in your footsteps." - Peter Portanova, WB2OQQ

==> CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXPO SHOWCASES AMATEUR RADIO EMCOMM

March 23, 2012 was the date of the Outdoor Resort Palm Springs (ORPS) Emergency Preparedness Expo. Local Palm Springs KESQ channel 3 TV reporter Bianca Rae interviewed Coachella Valley EC John Polak, NF6N, which made the evening news broadcast.

In addition to RACES, the Cathedral City Fire Department, Riverside County Emergency Services, American Red Cross, FEMA, Costco, Palm Springs Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and the ORPS Safety & Security Committee also participated.

Outdoor Resort Palm Springs <http://www.palmspringsrvparks.com/cc-outdoorresort.html> is an RV community of 1213 individually owned lots. Most of the owners are snowbirds from western Canada and Northwest US. -- Jim Koski, KT6W

==> LETTERS: MORE ON GPS

It is my experience and that of friends too, that GPS decisions about what turns to make to get to the desired destinations are often wrong. After all, the GPS has an internal decision making program that may have flaws or wrong logic in its design created by each GPS manufacturer. So to depend on this in a critical situation is a naive and foolish belief in the infallibility of the device. Yet, so many people have this trust. I have found that a majority of drivers have little or no map reading skills. That may be why they have to depend on GPS devices to find their way around when traveling. Poor map skills trap them into depending on the fallible substitute of the GPS device, sometimes leading to dangerous, even near tragic situations. Perhaps map reading skills should be tought to everyone in ARES and emergency sevices in general. --Murray Goldberg, KD2IN, Toms River, New Jersey

==> LETTERS: IS-201

In re the last issue's item on FEMA course IS-201, it is really based on the forms used in the ICS's Planning Section. That doesn't mean that the other sections are not involved but it does work mostly with planning forms to make it around what is called the "Planning P" to put a "Plan" in the Incident Commander's hands at the proper time. The Plans folks live in the future and not so much in the "now" or "past." They take what the Incident Commander wants to do in the NEXT period and put it on paper. If he wants to be in front of the fire with ten fire trucks and 100 people and planning finds out that there are only 5 fire trucks and 50 people on hand, they will contact Logistics to make sure that the additional supplies will be on hand BEFORE that next period begins. They will determine from the Operations folks what they will need to make all of this happen. They may need more food, water and porta-potties. As soon as this "new plan" is put into place at 0600 (or whatever time the Incident Commander says it will happen), Planning moves on to the NEXT operation period.

So again, they live at least 12 hours into the future. There is a saying that if the Planning section has nothing to do for that next operational period, then their job is to "plan the demobilization." If there is nothing to do, you don't need that many people or that much equipment.

So IS-201 is directed towards those Planning types but we as amateurs need to be headed in that direction also. If I am one of the amateurs operating in the field, I want to know that my ARES staff is "planning" for my relief at such and such a time. They might need to be planning to make sure I am counted for lunch and water. If operations are expanding in the next operational period, the ARES staff might be planning on new nets (or another net) to handle the increased traffic. If the ARES staff is slowly sinking then they might want come up with their own planning guy who has been trained to handle amateur planning. Anyway, just another person's 1-cent (after taxes). -- Edward Tune (Otto), KV7J, Carson City, Nevada

==> MALAYSIA TO HOST EIGHTH GLOBAL AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

The Eighth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference (GAREC) -- called MyGAREC 2012 <http://www.mygarec2012.com/garec/> -- will be held November 12-14 in the Malaysian state of Negeri Sembilan at the Thistle Port Dickson Resort <http://www.thistle.com/en/hotels/malaysia/port_dickson/thistle_port_dickson>.

GAREC -- which began in 2005 in Tampere, Finland -- attracts radio amateurs who have an interest in providing emergency communications in response to disasters or during training exercises. MyGAREC 2012 has been timed to immediately follow the IARU Region 3 Conference in Vietnam (scheduled for November 5-9) with its theme of disaster relief communications.

General information for MyGAREC 2012 -- including information on the venue, registration fees the tentative agenda <http://www.mygarec2012.com/garec/index.php/info-mygarec-2012/mygarec-2012-schedule> and registration forms -- has been posted on the MyGAREC website. According to organizers, the website will be updated weekly with the latest news and program changes. Among the topics to be discussed include the HF emergency operating procedure and the future of GAREC, as well as presentations from the three IARU regions. Presentations from various IARU Member-Societies regarding recent disaster relief communications operations will also be scheduled.

Previous GARECs have been held in Finland (2005 and 2006), the USA (2007), Germany (2008), Japan (2009), Cura&#65533;ao (2010) and South Africa (2011). -- ARRL Letter

==> LETTERS: TRAINING -- TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING?

In March QST you wrote about ICS, CPR and AED training for volunteers. I spent 16 years as a volunteer in Emergency Management and I am an instructor for NIMS and when I read your write up I could not believe

what you are asking volunteers to do. Yes, they need IS courses 100, 700 and 800 but unless they are going to be a leader and have the full knowledge of Emergency Management I don't see that the volunteers need courses 230, 250, 288 and the others that deal with the EOC.

If you are in a rural area your EOC could be out of your house or work for an Emergency Manager who doesn't even have the ICS training. As a volunteer I feel -- along with our club -- that the other classes are not necessary. You have to realize that the rural areas don't have DSL, and dial up Internet won't let you take some of these classes online. I feel that if ARES volunteers take IS courses 100, 200 and 700 then they have the knowledge to assist in an emergency. Remember, they are volunteers and have regular jobs, families and other commitments.

So I hope your recommendations do not become requirements because you will lose a lot of great volunteers in the process. Rural fire departments are getting smaller and smaller because of the requirements that are put on them. I was an Assistant EMD for 16 years and was in charge of our volunteers so I know how hard it is to get them to take these classes. Please consider talking with rural ARES groups and learn how hard it is to get and keep volunteers. --Teresa Tost, KC0OKP, President, Douglas County Amateur Radio Club <http://www.dcham.com/>, Ava, Missouri

==> LETTERS: BEST DIGITAL MODE?

I read your column on digital methods in the current QST. I am an active member of Army MARS and operate on a 4 MHz Digital Net at least one hour daily six days a week. Our experience shows OLIVIA works very well in noisy conditions, much faster then PSK31 and can get through as well as CW. MT63 is faster when signals are good. EASYPAL can send pictures (very useful in disaster conditions) and large text files error free. There are several programs that can connect for ARQ transmissions including WINMOR, FLDIGI and V4CHAT. All of these methods use freeware programs and have been used on HF and VHF. There is no "best" method any more than there is a best tool. To be a competent digital operator requires practice with several methods to be able to pick the optimum solution in a given situation. -- Scott McCann, W3MEO/AAR3FK

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

Below are the actual questions posed by the FCC to the public in its Public Notice referenced at the outset of this issue:

The FCC said "We pose specific questions below to provide structure for commenters. Commenters may also address questions not set forth below that relate to the topics of the study to be submitted to Congress. Commenters should not, however, view this Public Notice as an opportunity to seek Commission rulings regarding specific situations."

1. Importance of emergency Amateur Radio Service communications.
As noted above, the statute requires a review of the importance of

emergency Amateur Radio Service communications relating to disasters, severe weather, and other threats to lives and property.

a. What are examples of disasters, severe weather, and other threats to life and property in which the Amateur Radio Service provided communications services that were important to emergency response or disaster relief? Provide examples of the important benefits of these services.

b. Under what circumstances does the Amateur Radio Service provide advantages over other communications systems in supporting emergency response or disaster relief activities? Under what circumstances does the Amateur Radio Service complement other forms of communications systems for emergency response or disaster relief?

c. What Federal Government plans, policies, and training programs involving emergency response and disaster relief currently include use of the Amateur Radio Service? What additional plans, policies, and training programs would benefit from the inclusion of Amateur Radio Service operations? How would Amateur Radio Service operations fit into these plans and programs?

d. What State, tribal, and local government plans, policies, and training programs involving emergency response and disaster relief currently include use of the Amateur Radio Service? What additional plans and programs would benefit from the inclusion of Amateur Radio Service operations? How would Amateur Radio Service operations fit into these plans and programs?

e. What changes to the Commission's emergency communications rules for the Amateur Radio Service (Part 97, Subpart E) would enhance the ability of amateur operators to support emergency and disaster response? In addition, are there any specific changes that could be made to the technical and operational rules for the Amateur Radio Service (Part 97, Subparts B, C, and D) that would enhance the ability of amateur operators to support emergency and disaster response? What other steps could be taken to enhance the voluntary deployment and effectiveness of Amateur Radio Service operators during disasters and emergencies?

f. What training from government or other sources is available for Amateur Radio Service operators for emergency and disaster relief communications? How could this training be enhanced? Should national training standards be developed for emergency communications response?

g. What communications capabilities, e.g., voice, video, or data, are available from Amateur Radio Service operators during emergencies and disasters? Are there any future technical innovations that might further improve the Amateur Radio Service?

h. Are national standards in data transmission needed to enhance the ability of Amateur Radio Service operators to respond to emergencies and disasters? Are there restrictions with regard to transmission

speeds that, if removed, would increase the ability of operators to support emergency/disaster response? If so, what issues could arise from removing these restrictions?

i. Would it enhance emergency response and disaster relief activities if Amateur Radio Service operators were able to interconnect with public safety land mobile radio systems or hospital and health care communications systems? What could be done to enable or enhance such interconnections? What issues could arise from permitting such interconnections?

j. Should there be national certification programs to standardize amateur radio emergency communications training, mobilization, and operations? How would such programs improve emergency communications?

2. Impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications. The statute also requires that the study identify impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications andrecommendations regarding the removal of such impediments.

a. What private land use restrictions on residential antenna installations have amateur radio operators encountered? What information is available regarding the prevalence of such restrictions? What are the effects of unreasonable and unnecessary restrictions on the amateur radio community's ability to use the Amateur Radio Service? Specifically, do these restrictions affect the amateur radio community's ability to respond to disasters, severe weather, and other threats to lives and property in the United States? What actions can be taken to
minimize the effects of these restrictions?

b. What criteria distinguish "unreasonable or unnecessary" private land use restrictions from reasonable and necessary restrictions? How do local circumstances, such as neighborhood density or historic significance, affect whether a private land use restriction is reasonable or necessary? How does the availability of alternative transmitting locations or power sources affect the reasonableness of a particular private land use restriction?

c. What steps can amateur radio operators take to minimize the risk that an antenna installation will encounter unreasonable or unnecessary private land use restrictions? For example, what obstacles exist to using a transmitter at a location not subject to such restrictions, or placing an antenna on a structure used by commercial mobile radio service providers or government entities?

d. Do any Commission rules create impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications? What are the effects of these rules on the amateur radio community's ability to use the Amateur Radio Service? Do disaster and/or severe weather situations present any special circumstances wherein Commission rules may create impediments that would not otherwise exist in non-disaster situations? What actions can

be taken to minimize the effects of these rules?

e. What other impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications have amateur radio operators encountered? What are the effects of these impediments on the amateur radio community's ability to use the Amateur Radio Service? Specifically, do these impediments affect the amateur radio community's ability to respond to disasters, severe weather, and other threats to lives and property in the United States? What actions can be taken to minimize the effect of these impediments?

f. The legislation requires the Commission to identify "impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications."7 What specific "enhance[ments]" to Amateur Radio Service communications have been obstructed by theimpediments discussed above?

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571. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 18 April 2012

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Raspberry Pi on Japanese TV

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The Raspberry Pi computer board seems to be attracting interest in Japan and recently featured on Japanese TV. It’s a miniature ARM-based PC which is sure to find many applications in Amateur Radio, however, there may be concerns about Radio Pollution

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Riley Hollinsgworth, K4ZDH, to be CQ Columnist

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Retired FCC amateur radio enforcement chief Riley Hollingsworth , K4ZDH, has been named a CQ magazine contributing editor. Hollingsworth will succeed "Washington Readout" editor Fred Maia, W5YI, who recently became a Silent Key

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Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club on the air for Marconi Day

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The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club (MUARC) will be celebrating ‘International Marconi Day’ by mobilizing at Navan Fort, Armagh, on Saturday 21st April, using the Club call MN0 VFW and will be operating right through to Sunday afternoo

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy, Riverside, CA

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An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy, Riverside, CA on 19 Apr. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately 17:03 UTC

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

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Andrew RN1CW has news of more operations planned for April for the World Castles Award

572. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 18 April 2012

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Yakub Kolas 130 years

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 05:23 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342745-Yakub-Kolas-130-years&goto=newpost

Diplom-YAkuba-Kolasa.jpgDiploma of Education established a department of Gomel City Executive Committee of the Republic of Belarus in honor of the 130th anniversary of the birth of national poet of Belarus Yakub Kolas (Konstantin Mikhailovich Mickiewicz), and issued to radio amateurs, made with amateur radio stations of Belarus. At the diploma are counted as radio communication with the cities and regions, which is related to bio Belarusian classic Yanka Kupala: Kursk and Kursk, Moscow and Moscow region, Vilnius, Perm, Tashkent. To obtain the award must be made within 2012 to collect 130 points. Radio communications with amateur radio stations of Belarus to give 5 points. Radio communications with amateur stations of the above cities and regions to make two points. November 3, 2012, the birthday of the poet, points are doubled. September 1-2, 2012, during the days of the Belarusian written language, and points are doubled. At the diploma are counted radio carried any kind of radiation, radio re-counted at different ranges. Observers certificate is issued on similar terms. Application for certificate shall be prepared in the form of an extract from the log with full information about the QSO (observations). The electronic form of diplomas will be sent free of charge. To obtain a paper certificate must pay the cost of its delivery - 2 IRC. World War II veterans, as well as children's collective paper certificates are sent to radio stations for free. Applications for certificates are accepted in electronic or paper form.

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Yanka Kupala 130 years

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Saint-Petersburg and Leningrad region, Moscow and Moscow region, Smolensk and Smolensk region, Vilnius, Kazan.

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calling cq from 1000'

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> I would like to do some high altitude tethered kite contacts carrying a
> ham rig weighing less then 5 pounds.

> If I can have the kite at some altitude I can release the payload, rather
> then paying for cu ft. of helium which I cannot do.

> I am looking for a remote control (carbon fiber or aluminum for
> strength)hook actuated by an inexpensive transmitter preferably surplus
> to lift the payload.*

> Many years ago I used a plastic spring loaded hook which worked very well
> from less then 100' this most current experiment will be much higher and
> will not work.

> I would much rather release a payload this way and list with the faa as a
> balloon experiment rather then having something burst and crash to the
> ground!

> I plan to form a fishermans knot some distance from the kite and attach
> this to the payload.

> I will prabably have a morse code (cw) practice beacon when I can find a
> pc board light enough.

> *I just realized I don't need an rc remote control.All I need is a device
> which will release when it gets to the right altitude.

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V55V DXpedition for 2012 CQ WW WPX SSB Contest

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 10:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342689-V55V-DXpedition-for-2012-CQ-WW-WPX-SSB-Contest
&goto=newpost

Hello All!

It was a pleasure working you in the contest

and experiencing a wonderful country at the

very south of Africa.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K5_Bic19ko4

Thank you.

73 Suad, DK6XZ

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International Marconi Day, N2MO/IMD

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 09:41 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342684-International-Marconi-Day-N2MO-IMD&goto=newpost

The Ocean □ Monmouth Amateur Radio Club will be on the air Saturday April 21, 2012 signing N2MO/IMD. This year marks the 25th anniversary of this World Wide Event. As in years pass we will be operating from the Marconi Belmar Receiving Station, located in Wall Township NJ. This site was operated by the America Marconi Radio company from the early 1900□s till the onset of World War One. The US Military took over the facility and it was renamed Camp Evans. Look for N2MO/IMD on Twenty and Forty Meters. We will be running a mix of CW, SSB, and Digital Modes. QSL information can be found at www.omarc.org and on QRZ.com

573. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 18 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-18 16:37:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba71ffb982804bdf6aaa2@google.com>
Source record: 3240
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Riley Hollinsgworth, K4ZDH, to be CQ Columnist

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342785-Riley-Hollinsgworth-K4ZDH-to-be-CQ-Columnist&goto=newpost

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Retired FCC amateur radio enforcement chief Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, has been named a CQ magazine contributing editor, it was announced today by CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU. Hollingsworth will succeed "Washington Readout" editor Fred Maia, W5YI, who recently became a Silent Key.

Hollingsworth, a ham since 1960 and a longtime FCC attorney, became a household name in amateur radio in 1998 when he was named Special Counsel for Amateur Radio in the Commission's newly-created Enforcement Bureau. His highly-visible enforcement actions were cheered by a vast majority of the amateur community after more than a decade during which FCC enforcement on the ham bands was virtually non-existent. Hollingsworth retired from the FCC in 2008, but has continued to be in demand as a speaker at hamfests and radio club meetings.

His new monthly column - to be titled "Riley's Ramblings" - will incorporate "Washington Readout's" coverage of legislative and administrative actions that affect amateur radio, as well as additional topics of importance and/or interest to CQ's readers, all related in the distinctive common-sense style that has made Riley a sought-after speaker. His first column will appear in the July, 2012, issue of CQ, and will explain why ongoing FCC enforcement actions since his retirement have been somewhat "under the radar."

"We are pleased and honored to have Riley joining our staff," said Moseson. "His stature in the amateur radio community is second-to-none, and his ability to explain sometimes-arcane legal and regulatory language in plain English fits right in with CQ's long-standing dedication to providing practical, useful information for our readers to help them get the most enjoyment possible out of the amateur radio hobby. I look forward to a long and fruitful relationship."

"I am delighted to have the opportunity to contribute to CQ and to amateur radio generally," noted Hollingsworth. "As a 13-year-old Novice in South Carolina nervously making my first contact with an overheated Johnson Challenger and a barely effective vertical, not in my wildest imagination

did I think I would be writing for a ham radio magazine someday. I am very appreciative of this offer and I hope I can be a valuable asset to the magazine."

Hollingsworth holds a Master□s degree from the University of South Carolina, and a law degree from Wake Forest University. He lives in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, with his wife, Pat.

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Working with NBEMS

Posted: 16 Apr 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342593-Working-with-NBEMS&goto=newpost

paNBEMS.org is a working group for training in the use of the NBEMS (Narrow Band Emergency Massage System) software which is available for free from www.w1hkj.com. paNBEMS has been active now for about 4 years. We have helped train hundreds of radio operators in the use of NBEMS, many of whom have moved on to train many more.

The NBEMS software provides a digital radio sound card modem and a form-based messaging program in two separate applications that work together to form a perfect software suite for emergency radio digital communications for use on HF and VHF/UHF. The software is free and multi platform... so, no matter if you run MAC, Linux or WIndows, the software runs, looks and feels the same on any OS platform.

A few of the major advantages of NBEMS are:

1) The use and purchase of proprietary, expensive and complex hardware is not necessary. We often run without even using a direct-wired interface from the computer to the transceiver. Acoustic coupling is accomplished by keying up the transceiver mic near the computer speaker and hitting send on the software. Conversely, to receive, all you need is a working computer microphone (internal or cheap plug in) that can hear the transceiver□s received audio to decode the digital audio back to text... this method works especially well with the 200 WPM MT63 2k long mode on FM simplex or over repeaters or for just receiving digital NBEMS traffic on HF.

2) Because NBEMS is so simple and fun to use, it makes it much easier to bring new volunteer amateur radio operators in to the digital radio emergency communications ranks. We regularly get new folks up and running in the course of a single UHF repeater net session. When we have someone new to NBEMS check in that says they have the software installed but haven□t tried it yet, we walk them through a few initial settings and they□re amazed when a few minutes later they□re successfully sending and receiving data. And with regards to the □fun□ aspect of NBEMS, we have the

huge advantage of being able to use the NBEMS software for a good deal of our recreational hamming for ragchew and DX contacts, so we□re regularly using the same software that we might be called upon to use during an emergency or disaster.

3) Although NBEMS has the capability of running ARQ based operations (one to one connection with ack/nak for error correction) we tend to use the modes with heavy forward error correction (FEC) in a broadcast type transmission, with one amateur radio operator sending (i.e. NCS) and an unlimited number of amateur radio stations receiving from the single transmission. The FLMSG application allows form-based data entry with several of the ICS, HICS, MARS, American Red Cross and the NTS/ARRL Radiogram forms. There are also generic email type forms and a blank form option and the forms can be further customized with savable text templates for common reports. The FLMSG messages include an embedded checksum calculation and all receiving stations can independently and automatically confirm 100% accurate receipt. So, we can guarantee to our served agencies that the message was received exactly as it was sent without error.

NBEMS nets are popping up all across the country.... some run on 6m or 2m SSB, some on 2m FM (simplex and repeaters like we do here in Pittsburgh) and many regional and local nets are running on 80m and 40m. Just within the last month or so, we have been learing about many upcoming drills where NBEMS will at least play some part. In several other drills, NBEMS has been chosen by the served agencies as a primary means of communications due to its reliability, simplicity, portability and ability to handle detailed messages and spread sheet data such as logistical spread sheet files or needed or available resource lists.

Please visit our website if you would like to learn more about NBEMS. All are welcome to join us on our net schedules. If you would like some help and suggestions in getting your own NBEMS net up and running, just drop us a line. We□ll be glad to try to help.

www.paBNEMS.org

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No home QTH? DXpeditions are the answer!

Posted: 16 Apr 2012 12:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342563-No-home-QTH-DXpeditions-are-the-answer!&goto=newpost

Hi folks,

DXCoffee.com published today my interview to Bill Vanderheide, N7OU. Not only he's a reputed contester and DXer, but he tells about a situation that can interest many hams: he has no home QTH, and DXpeditions mark the only moments he can be active.

Read it in English here:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/04/...am-radio-home/

And for Italian speakers, here is the translated version:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/ita/2012/04/...o-la-sua-casa/

I count on your help to spread the word!

73, and thanks in advance,

Chris - IX1CKN / HB9EYT / KC2YXI

574. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-023E - Distracted Driving in Ontario

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-18 21:53:53 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F8F376D.2030702@rac.ca>
Source record: 3241
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-023E - Distracted Driving in Ontario
2012-04-17

On April 16 the MTO posted a regulatory notice proposing a change to Ontario Regulation # 366/09 (Display Screens and Hand-Held Devices) that would Extend the current exemption for licenced amateur radio operators for an additional five years.

As you know, the exemption was due to expire at the end of this calendar year, and Radio Amateurs of Canada has been lobbying for a permanent exemption since this regulation was introduced back in 2009. We will be providing comments to the Road User Safety Branch of MTO on this issue and will continue to press for a permanent exemption. That said, a 5-year extension is certainly welcome at this point but is not the ultimate resolution that we have been seeking.

The only other group to obtain an extension are commercial, public transit, and public function drivers.

You can view the notice in the provincial registry at:

http://www.ontariocanada.com/registry/view.do?postingId=43&languageen
<http://www.ontariocanada.com/registry/view.do?postingId=43&languageen>

RAC and the Distracted Driving Committee wishes to thank all organisations that supplied letters of support to assist us in obtaining this extension. This shows the support we have from many Ontario organisations.

Bill Unger VE3XT - North/East Ontario Regional Director
Chair - RAC Distracted Driving Committee
Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Quebec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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575. eHam.net News for Wednesday 18 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-18 22:38:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c7331d32804bdfbb54e@google.com>
Source record: 3242
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Grows at Two Rivers:

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28119

It's serious business, this being a ham. Sixth- through eighth-graders at Two Rivers School learned the intricacies of ham radio during a two-day, hands-on activity that turned part of the school into an amateur radio studio. Stephen Kangas, a longtime ham radio aficionado, along with teacher Joe Burgener and his assistant Denise Atkinson, hosted the School Club Roundup. The event, which occurred this winter, was the fifth year that Two Rivers has participated alongside schools across the nation, Kangas said in a press release. The American Radio Relay League, which sponsored the event across the United States, described the roundup as a way to get young people interested in ham radio. "Very often, a new operator will be intimidated by the fear of not knowing what to say to the stranger on the other side of the radio," New York ham radio operator Lew Malchick wrote on the ARRL website. "The exchange of information helps to overcome this fear in a low-pressure format. Operators are encouraged to take some time to chat."

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Michael R. Hoffman, KBOZFS (SK):

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28118

Michael Ray Hoffman, 57, of St. Joseph, passed away Saturday, April 14, 2012, at a St. Joseph hospital. He was born July 17, 1954, in St. Joseph, son of Virginia and Joseph Hoffman. He married Carol Fleischman on December 2, 1982, and they shared 29 years of marriage together. He graduated from Lafayette High School. He retired from Mead Products as a machine operator and Truck driver after 27 years of service. He then was a truck driver for several truck lines. He served in the United States Navy from 1976 to 1981 serving on the USS Juno. He enjoyed deer hunting, fishing, ham radio operating, and spending time with his children and family. He was a member of the Mead 25 year club, he was a Cub Scout leader, and T-ball coach, he was also a member of ARES Amateur Radio Emergency Service his call sign KBOZFS.

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Ralph A. Baker, AA2CJ (SK):

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28117

BATH, NY -- Ralph A. Baker, also known as Ham Radio Operator call sign AA2CJ, age 68 of Bath, passed away peacefully at Arnot Ogden Hospital, Elmira, NY. Born February 28, 1944, to Lawrence and Helen Ford Baker. Ralph had been employed as a Machinist at Philips in Bath, until declining health. He was an avid Ham Radio Operator and volunteer. He was a very determined man that had a loving heart to family and friends willing to help anyone when asked.

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When the Zombies Come, Depend on a CB or Amateur Radio:

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28116

You think you've really got your act together, Mr. Doomsday Prepper. But, if you haven't considered a CB or Amateur radio for your survival portfolio, then you've missed a big link in your staying alive chain. Whether you're worried about the Mayan Calendar, a zombie apocalypse, or just really bad weather, there are good options for staying independent and providing yourself and your family with communication in an emergency.

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NASA Satellite Captures Spectacular Solar Eruption:

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28115

A NASA satellite yesterday captured spectacular images and video of a massive solar flare erupting from the eastern side of the Sun. The M1.7 (medium intensity) class solar "prominence eruption" produced a coronal mass ejection (CME) that was captured by NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO). The event occurred at 1:45 p.m. EDT on April 16, 2012. The ejection, impressive as it was, was only a moderate event by astronomy standards. Such flares are measured on a letter scale and fall into three categories: C, M and X -- X is the strongest. Some of the strongest eruptions the Sun has produced have released as much energy as one billion megatons of TNT.

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Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, Named CQ Contributing Editor:

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 04:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28114

Hicksville, NY) April 17, 2012 -- Retired FCC amateur radio enforcement chief Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, has been named a CQ magazine contributing editor, it was announced today by CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU. Hollingsworth will succeed "Washington Readout" editor Fred Maia, W5YI, who recently became a Silent Key. Hollingsworth, a ham since 1960 and a longtime FCC attorney, became a household name in amateur radio in 1998 when he was named Special Counsel for Amateur Radio in the Commission's newly-created Enforcement Bureau. His highly-visible enforcement actions

were cheered by a vast majority of the amateur community after more than a decade during which FCC enforcement on the ham bands was virtually non-existent. Hollingsworth retired from the FCC in 2008, but has continued to be in demand as a speaker at hamfests and radio club meetings.

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Win a Rigger HT Stand:

Posted: 17 Apr 2012 04:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28113

AmateurRadio.com and Gary, N5BI, have teamed up to give away a Rigger HT Stand.

576. [DXNL] DXNL 1776 (Apr 18, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-18 23:21:02 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <14813234781.20120419011438@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3243
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1776 - Apr 18, 2012
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(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

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(e-mail: dl7voa@darc.de)

CT, PORTUGAL
The special event station CR6IARU is active until Apr 19 to celebrate
the "World Amateur Radio Day" on Apr 18. QSL via CT1REP.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS, AF-004
EH8WDX is working from Gran Canaria (AF-004) until Apr 19 also on the
occasion of the "World Amateur Radio Day". QSL via EA8ADL.

EI, IRELAND, EU-115
The special event call EI1MGY of the "Mayo Radio Experimenters Network"
remembers the Titanic disaster until Apr 21 on the air. QSL via EI6IZ.
See also: http://ei7mre.org

EL, LIBERIA
The Liberia Radio Amateur Association (LRAA) activates the clubstation
EL2RL on 20m, 17m, 15m and 10m during the "World Amateur Radio Day" on
Apr 18. QSL via EL2BA, unfortunately only direct.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) operates the special event
station GB100MWT in CW and SSB on HF from the Marconi hut near Sandford
Mill and from a tent during the "International Marconi Day" on Apr 21.
They will use a Marconi 1154 AM transmitter and a 1155 receiver.
OP will be Peter Bridgeman,G3SUY. All QSOs count for the Marconi award.
QSL via bureau or direct to G0MWT (QRZ.com). http://www.g0mwt.org.uk

GW, WALES, EU-005
The Barry Amateur Radio Society is going to activate the special event
station GB4MDI during the "International Marconi Day" on Apr 21.
QSL via GW0ANA. See also: http://bars.btck.co.uk

The Telford & District Amateur Radio Society will use the special call
GB8MD on the same day operating fieldday style from Tywyn in Gwynedd

County (EU-005, WLOTA 0453, WAB SH50, Loc IO72XN). They want to exceed their result from the year before (470 QSOs with 34 DXCCs in SSB/CW). QSL via bureau or direct to M0PNN. See also: http://www.tdars.org.uk

HB9, SWITZERLAND
The HB9RL members Claudio,HB9EFJ, Luciano,HB9FBI, Augusto,HB9TZA, and others will be active as HB9WFF from Forte Olimpo (WCA: HB-00898, DCS-SSD: TA-073) in the Magadino park (HBFF-101) on Apr 21/22. QSL via HB9FBI, LoTW.

The "Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen-Amateure" (USKA) celebrates the "World Amateur Radio Day" with the special event station HB9WARD. OPs will be HB9JOE and other HAMs from Bern. QSL via HB9JOE.

HH, HAITI, NA-096
Tiho,9A7GAE, is working for the Red Cross in Leogane and should have received his licence meanwhile. Listen for HH2/9A7GAE on 80m/40m/20m/17m/10m/6m working in SSB and digital modes (later) during his spare time. QSL via homecall, later also via LoTW.

HS, THAILAND
HS0ZFZ, HS0ZFD, HS0ZGQ and HS0ZIL plan to become active via EME from several squares in the north of Thailand using the special call E2E from Apr 20-25. Donations are welcome for the rebuilding of the Thai clubstation HS0AC of the "Radio Amateur Society of Thailand" (RAST). QSL via HS0AC. See also: http://www.moonbouncing.net/e2e.html and http://www.qsl.net/rast

IS0, SARDINIA, EU-024
The ARI section Olbia will use the special call IY0GA from Cape Figari at Golfo Aranci (EU-024) during the 25th International Marconi Day on Apr 21. Guglielmo Marconi did a microwave test there with Rocca di Papa in Rome on Aug 11, 1932. QSL via IS0JMA.

JD1/OG, OGASAWARA, AS-031
Harry,JG7PSJ, will be QRV again from Chichijima (AS-031, WLOTA 2269, JCG #10007) signing JD1BMH in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m between Apr 22 and May 4. QSL via bureau or direct to his homecall.
See also: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

JW, SVALBARD, EU-026
Michael,JW/DB5MH, is on a skiing tour until Apr 23 and shows up on the air mainly on 14315 kHz using a FT817, two solar cells and a wire on a 6m fishing rod. QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.diskoisland.de

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Masahiko,JH4VUC, is working as WH0VU again in all modes on all bands from Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, Loc QK25ue) from Apr 18-21 QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Harry,KP2/W6DXO, is working holiday style in SSB/CW on 17m and 20m from Cruz Bay on St. John Island (NA-106) using an IC706IIG and a vertical

from Apr 18-23. QSL via KF6JOQ.

KP4, PUERTO RICO, NA-099
Jeff,KP4/VA3QSL, will be QRV in holiday style from Puerto Rico (NA-099, USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802) between Apr 22 and May 4. He plans to activate Vieques Island (USi PR-007S, WLOTA 4042) for two days and if possible he wants to work from several lighthouses as well. Listen for Jeff in SSB/CW near the IOTA frequencies on 40m, 20m and 6m with 100 watts, dipole and Hamsticks. QSL via homecall.

Some members of the "Puerto Rico Field Day Group" are celebrating the "World Amateur Radio Day" and 87th anniversary of the "International Amateur Radio Union" on Apr 18 with the callsign KP4FD in SSB on all bands. A special electronic award can be requested from WP3GW.
QSL via LoTW, eQSL.

OE, AUSTRIA
The amateur radio group of the Austrian radio ORF and the "Documentary Archives Radio Communications" (QSL Collection) are activating the special event station OE12M during the International Marconi Day from Apr 20-22. QSOs on Apr 21 count for the IMD award. QSL via OE1WHC.
See also: http://dokufunk.org

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
The special event station P487IARU is working until Apr 30 to mark the World Amateur Radio. QSL via LoTW.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
The special event call PC100T is active until Apr 18. QSL via PA7HPH.

TA, TURKEY
The "TC Special Wireless Activity team" (TCSWAT) is using the special call TC57A in SSB, CW and PSK on HF from Apr 21-26. QSL via TA1HZ.
See also: http://www.tcswat.org

UA, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
The special event station R150SPA remembers the 150th birthday of the Russian Pyotr Stolypin until Apr 23. QSL via RA4CEO.

UA9, ASIATIC RUSSIA
RA9LR, RV9LF, UA9LAC, UA9LAO, UA9LEW, UA9LL, UA9LP, UA9LT and UB9LBS will sign RK9LWA/9 from the Olenyi Ruchyi nature park in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m (maybe also SSB/FM via satellite on 2m/70cm) from Apr 19-22.
QSL via UA9LP, bureau QSLs can be requested via e-mail to ua9lp@mail.ru

VK0/MQ, MACQUARIE ISLAND, AN-005 (update)
Trevor,VK0TH, is active until Apr 19. See QRZ.com.

XU, CAMBODIA
Barry,ZL1DD, is signing XU7AEL in CW and SSB on 80m-6m from the Samkam Beach Hotel in Sihanoukville (Kompong Som) until Apr 21. QSL via ZL1DD.

XV, VIETNAM
Mal,VK6LC, plans to show up as XV4LC in CW/SSB on 20m and 17m from
Vinh Long from Apr 19-24. QSL via VK6LC, unfortunately only direct.

YJ, VANUATU, OC-035
The Oceania DX Group (ODXG) members Allan,VK2CA, Michael,VK3GHM,
Chris,VK3QB, Luke,VK3HJ, Lee,VK3GK, and Benton,VK3CBV, announced to
show up as YJ0VK from the Nirvan Resort in Port Vila on Efate Island
(OC-035, Loc RH42df) between Apr 21 and May 5. They will work in SSB,
CW, RTTY and PSK31 on 160m-10m with focus on the WARC bands.
QSL via VK2CA, only direct, LoTW. See: http://yj0vk.odxg.org

YO, ROMANIA
A group of Romanian HAMs celebrates the "World Amateur Radio Day" on
Apr 18 with the special callsign YP1WFF (YOFF-111, DYO-08).
QSL via YO3JW. See also: http://wff-yo.blogspot.com

ZA, ALBANIA
Franck,F4DTO, and Patrick,F4GFE, will sign ZA100I from Elbasan only in
SSB on 40m-10m from Apr 22-29. QSL via F4DTO.

INTERNATIONAL MARCONI DAY
The "International Marconi Day" (IMD) organized by the "Cornish Radio
Amateur Club" is an annual 24 hours event to honour the birthday of
Guglielmo Marconi (Apr 25, 1874). This is not a contest but HAMs get
the opportunity to work with historic Marconi sites. This year's IMD
will take place on Apr 21. See also: http://www.gb4imd.org.uk

TITANIC AWARD
If you have worked/heard five Titanic special event stations listed on
the website below you can request a PDF award for free by sending an
e-mail to Hans-Juergen,DE3EAR (de3ear@darc.de). See also:
http://coastradio.intco.biz/maritime/ships/titanic/Titanic-2012.htm

HK0NA QSL
The QSL card of the Malpelo DXpedition is ready and mailing will start
by the end of April.

SILENT KEYS
Adam Perz,SP5JTF, passed away on Apr 2 aged 56. He was HF manager of
the Polish amateur radio society, a wellknown DXer and Contester,
member of the Warsaw DX Club (SP5PBE) and the team of SN0HQ.
They keys of Ladislav Pagac,OM4DA, and Jan Horsky,OM3MM, Slovakia's
leading DXer with 389 DXCCs (mixed) will stay silent forever as well.
Jean Porquet,FP5BU, dies on Apr 9.
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost them, but grateful that we could
get to know them as a radio friend. We will always keep them in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

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The final results of the CQMM Contest 2011 were published on their
website http://www.cwjf.com.br
The CQMM DX Contest 2012 will take place on Apr 21/22.

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 20/21 Holyland Contest
Apr 21 ES Open Championship
Apr 21 European Sprint Contest
Apr 21/22 YU DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: The Kilmarnock and Loudoun Amateur Radio Club
plans an IOTA DXpedition to the Isle of Muck (IOSA NH06, SCOTIA DI18)
from Apr 24-28. Listen for MM0KLR in all modes on all bands.
QSL via RSGB bureau. Direct QSLs only via MM0GHM.
See also: http://www.klarc.org

EU-015, SV9, Crete Island: Seppo,SV9/OH1VR, is going to visit Crete (GIOTA
KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) from Apr 21-28. He will work mainly
in CW on 80m-10m. QSL only direct via OH1VR.

EU-095, F, Provence-Cote D'Azur (Bouches-du-Rhone) Region group: Ivano,I2RFJ
Alberto,IV3BSY, Tony,IZ2ESV, and Andrea,IZ2LSC, will be QRV as TM1F
from Ratonneau Island (DIFM ME-003/MIA MF-024/Loc JN23PG) from
Apr 21-25. They plan to work in CW, SSB and digital modes on 6m-80m.
QSL via IK2DUW (d/B/L). More info at: http://www.timpy.it/tm1f and
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H5hq2_-Bkcs&feature=youtu.be

EU-171, OZ, Jylland North group: Ela,DL1TM, and Tor,DJ4MG, are signing OZ7TM
and 5P4MG in SSB on 160m-15m and 2m from Vendsyssel-Thy (DIA NJ-001,
Loc JO47UH) until Apr 26.
QSLs for OZ7TM via DL1TM and 5P4MG via DJ4MG (direct/bureau).

OC-185, VK8, Northern Territory (Arafura Sea Coast) East group: Craig,VK8AS,
is making a DXpedition to Bermer Island from Apr 18-23. He will sign
VK8BI only in SSB with 400 watts and Spiderbeam on 10m/12m/15m/17m/20m.
If time permits he wants to work also in PSK31 and RTTY.
Emphasis will be put on working North America and Europe.
QSL via VK8AS. More details can be found at: http://oc185.blogspot.com

SA-048, YV7, Secure State East group: Some members of the "Grupo DX Caracas"
will show up as YX5P from Isla de Patos ("Duck Island", WLOTA 0499,
ARLHS VEN-039) from Apr 19-23. This is only the second activity from
this island and IOTA points will be handed out in all modes and bands.
QSL via DM4TI (direct/bureau).

Lighthouse activities

GB100MWT LH 1841 Apr 21

GB8MD LH 0453 Apr 21
IY0GA LH 1608 Apr 21
JD1BMH LH 2269 Apr 22-May 4
KP2/W6DXO LH 2416 Apr 18-23
WH0VU LH 1333 Apr 18-21

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

15Apr-18Apr 3G7C 1775
-30Apr 3G87IARU 1775
Unknown 3W7W 1768
-07May 3Z45HBW 1772
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772
Unknown 4W0VB/p 1766
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
15Apr-20Apr 5P4LO 1775
-26Apr 5P4MG 1776 *
21Mar- 5T0JL 1772
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674

2012 6D0LM 1774
13Apr-18Apr 6H6IARU 1775
Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
12Apr-21Apr 8Q7UY 1775
10Apr-24Apr 9M0L 1774
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
03Apr-30Apr CN2RN 1773
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
-19Apr CR6IARU 1776 *
Apr -Jun CY0/VE1AWW 1774
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr? D2SG 1748
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763

14Apr-30Apr DT12AWC 1775

20Apr-25Apr E2E 1776 *
08Apr-27Apr E51BKM.. 1774
-31Dec E720RS 1770
-19Apr EH8WDX 1776 *
-21Apr EI1MGY 1776 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
18Apr EL2RL 1776 *
12Apr-26Apr FG4KH 1775
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
24Mar-14Apr FR/F5UOW.. 1772
-Jul FR8NE 1710
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771
06Apr-26Apr GB100MGY 1774
21Apr GB100MWT 1776 *
Apr GB1OOC 1775
08Apr-20Apr GB2WG 1774
21Apr GB4MDI 1776 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
21Apr GB8MD 1776 *
2012 GB80PW 1762
Apr GI100MGY 1773
12Apr-18Apr GI2012MGY 1775
16Apr-21Apr GS4MWS/p 1775
Apr GX4BJC/A.. 1774

21Apr-22Apr HB9WFF 1776 *
18Apr HB9WARD 1776 *
17Apr-30Apr HF87WARD 1775
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776 *
-12May HH8/EA3OW 1775
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764
-Apr HS0ZIQ 1765
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
21Apr IY0GA 1776 *
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
22Apr-04May JD1BMH 1760/1776 *
-23Apr JW/DB5MH 1776 *
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773

-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
18Apr-23Apr KP2/W6DXO 1776 *
22Apr-04May KP4/VA3QSL 1776 *

18Apr KP4FD 1776 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
Apr M100T 1774
24Apr-28Apr MM0KLR 1776 *
20Apr-22Apr OE12M 1776 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
01Apr-30Apr OO100MGY.. 1773
14Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
-26Apr OZ7TM 1776 *
-30Apr P487IARU 1776 *
-18Apr PC100T 1776 *
01Apr-28Apr PH100MGY 1773
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753

-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
-23Apr R150SPA 1776 *
19Apr-22Apr RK9LWA/9 1776 *
-30Apr S540DKR 1770
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
21Apr-28Apr SV9/OH1VR 1776 *
-Apr T6BP 1746
-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
21Apr-26Apr TC57A 1776 *
21Apr-25Apr TM1F 1776 *
08Apr-22Apr TM27UFT 1774
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
07Apr-08May/WE TM95BA 1774
-Jul TN9SN 1755
16Apr-30Apr TO3X 1775

-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Apr-22Apr VI4MGY 1775
-19Apr VK0TH 1763/1764/1776 *
18Apr-23Apr VK8BI 1776 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
18Apr-21Apr WH0VU 1776 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-30Apr XL3T 1771
-21Apr XU7AEL 1776 *
-12Jun XV2W 1774
12Apr-20Apr XV4HP.. 1773
19Apr-24Apr XV4LC 1776 *
Unknown XW3DT 1766/1771

21Apr-5May YJ0VK 1776 *
19Apr-23Apr YX5P 1776 *
22Apr-29Apr ZA100I 1776 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8MM via DL6UAA (B)
3W7W via W3HNK (d)
3Z50GARBUS via SP3GVX (B)
5B/M0VKY via M0VKY (B), (L), eQSL
5P4MG via DJ4MG (B)
5Z4FV via N3ZS
8Q7UY via UT5UY
A60JJ Listen for QSL route announced by OP
A65BP/jj Listen for QSL route announced by OP
E2E via HS0AC (B)
EH3MGY via EB3JT (B), OQRS
EH8WDX via EA8ADL (B)
EI1MGY via EI6IZ (B)
EJ0PL via EI5JQ (B), (L), eQSL
EL2RL via EL2BA (d)
EM100N via UT8NT
EM8NFF/p via UT7NW
FO4BM via F4FJH (B), eQSL
GB100MWT via (B), G0MWT (d)
GB100WSL via G0UKB
GB4MDI via GW0ANA (B)
GB4MGY sends automatically
GB8MD via M0PNN (B)
GI2012MGY via GI4GOS
GR100MGY via G3SXW (B)
HB9IRC/p via HB9OCR (B)
HB9WARD via HB9JOE (B)
HB9WFF via HB9FBI, (L)
HH2/9A7GAE via 9A7GAE
IY0GA via IS0JMA (B)
JD1BMH via (B), JG7PSJ (d)
JW/DB5MH via DB5MH (B)
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d)
K1T via N1NS (B), (L)
KP2/W6DXO via KF6JOQ
KP4/VA3QSL via VA3QSL
KP4FD via (L), eQSL
LN2G via LA2G (B)
MM0KLR via (B), MM0GHM (d)
OE12M via OE1WHC (B)
ON100TT via ON4EKO (B), eQSL

OT100MGY via ON4PRA (B), eQSL
OZ7TM via DL1TM (B)
P487IARU via (L)
PC100T via PA7HPH (B)
PJ2LS via EB7DX (d)
R150SPA via RA4CEO
RK9LWA/9 via UA9LP (B)
SK100MGY via SK6RM (B)
SV9/OH1VR via OH1VR (d)
T6JM via CT1FKN (B)
T88WJ via JS3LSQ (B)
TC57A via TA1HZ (B)
TJ6RM via OM3CGN (B)
TM1F via IK2DUW (d/B/L)
TM210VH via F4GFE (B)
TO5K via RC0F (B)
V29CB via KT3A (B), (L)
V63AAZ via SA0AAZ (B)
VP2MQR via N7QR (L)
VP2MTM via K2GSJ (B)
VP2MUN via N7UN (B), (L)
VP2MYZ via N2YYZ (B), (L)
VK0TH via JE1LET (d)
VK8BI via VK8AS (d/B)
VK9XS via JA1PBV (B)
WH0VU via JH4VUC (d)
YU0KRUNA via YU1EFG (d)
XU7AEL via ZL1DD (B)
XV4LC via VK6LC (d)
YJ0VK via VK2CA (d), (L)
YX5P via DM4TI
ZA100I via F4DTO (B)
ZD8RH via G4DBW (B)
ZD8W via W6NV (L)
ZW7MGY via PR7ZAJ (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: HV21ZG (DL7AFS, 9 days)

QSLs arrived LoTW: KH6MB, N1BJ/KH2, ZW0S (St. Peter & Paul Rocks 2003),
V63BJ (1992)

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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-04-22.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - April 22 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 22 2012.

Hobby farm death not suspicious.

SUMMITS ON THE AIR VK ACTIVATION

Spectacular explosion on the Sun

VK100WIQ

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 22 2012.

Hobby farm death not suspicious.

Police are investigating the death of a man who fell from his vehicle onto
an antenna at his hobby farm.

The 51-year-old man is believed to have suffered fatal injuries after he
fell onto the 20-metre high metal antenna at the Cunderdin property in WA.

Police spokeswoman Ros Weatherall said the antenna was used for surveying
services, and had been removed by the man from the roof rack of his
Landcruiser utility before the incident. Initial investigations reveal that
he may have slipped from the top of the car and fallen onto the antenna.

Read more:
watoday.com.au/wa-news/hobby-farm-death-not-suspicious-20120416-1x2ed.html#ixzz1sA3VujOO

(Trevor VK4BAT)

Spectacular explosion on the Sun

On April 16th around 17:45 UT, magnetic fields curling over the sun's north-eastern limb rose up and erupted, producing one of the most visually-spectacular explosions in years.

The event, which also produced an M1.7-class solar flare and a coronal mass ejection, was not Earth-directed.

Nevertheless, it confirms suspicions that a significant active region is rotating onto the Earth-side of the sun.

Visit http://spaceweather.com for movies and updates.

The blue mountains (www.bmarc.org) Amateur radio club's May meeting will be its AGM.

The meeting is on Friday 4th May and will be held at the new club house 4 Moore Street Glenbrook at 8pm.

There is a $2 fee for anyone attending the club. All are welcome.

(Danny Clark VK2FDCA Blue Mountains Amateur radio club)

PADDLE FOR LIFE - LISMORE TO BALLINA BY RIVER. 14-16 Apr.

About 40 canoes took part to complete the second stage, no adverse incidents.

Lismore, Coraki, and Woodburn six boats, and two civvy boats gave safety cover.

Comms assistance provided by WICEN with five operators with good comms.

Lions and other service clubs provided feeding and assistance at the stops, with no accidents, everyone completed the courses with sometimes a little boat help.

Pics on the Album page http://www.ourphotos.net.au/albums.php?album=3473

BLACKHAWK DOWN

A Blackhawk Pilot will be down at Paluma in NQ, active during AM and CW on ANZAC Day.

Chris VK4FR has advised that he will be leaving the chopper in the hangar and travelling to Paluma by road with a vehicle equipped with HF gear and portable internet to activate a site near the old World War 2 Radar Bunkers and is excited about Joining The Gang on AM and CW.

(sourced to theTARCinc)

SUMMITS ON THE AIR VK ACTIVATION
www.sotawatch.org

www.sota.org.uk

You have heard of Islands on the Air.

Now think tops of hills and mountains instead of islands, and you will be thinking of Summits on the Air or SOTA.

SOTA commenced on the 1st of February in VK3 with six hundred and nine summits. Operators around all of VK can participate by chasing activations on these summits, or any other SOTA summits around the world. Indeed some VK operators are already well on their way to the entry level SOTA awards for both activators and chasers.

For chasers, there are SOTA activations in VK3 on most weekends, and many of these are on either 20 or 40 metres. Activations can be on any amateur band using any mode, so an activation can be as simple as carrying a handheld FM rig to a summit top.

Don't miss out on your chance to be the first VK Shack Sloth or Mountain Goat.

This is Allan, VK4FABR , from the Queensland Centenary Committee.

On behalf of Mike Charteris VK4QS, and members of the Committee, we can announce that June 1st, 2012, will see the official launch of "VK100WIQ" on the airwaves to celebrate the Centenary of the establishment of the Wireless Institute in Queensland.

Our Centenary has its origins at a meeting organised in 1912, by Mr Sydney Victor Colville, a Broadcast Radio Engineer, who held the Amateur Call Sign "XQF" in Queensland.

>From this meeting in 1912 came the establishment of the Wireless Institute in the state of Queensland.

Therefore, we, the members of the Queensland Centenary Committee would like to invite all amateur radio operators in Queensland and the rest of Australia to embrace this once in a lifetime opportunity to work "VK100WIQ .

Those Radio Clubs of Queensland wishing to participate, will be required to seek a three day block by way of an on-line roster currently being established.

VK100WIQ will be on air during the period June 1st to July 31st , from Radio Clubs of Queensland, operating on HF, VHF, UHF, and most other amateur modes. They will be looking forward to working stations all over Australia and the rest of the world during their individual three day blocks.

The Centenary Committee, is currently organizing a special QSL Card and Centenary Certificate for those making contact with VK100WIQ.

Details will be posted on the Centenary Website at www.wiaq.org.au by June 1st 2012.

One of the highlights will be the holding of the Centenary President's Luncheon at the Hervey Bay RSL Club, on Saturday July 21st 2012.

Special guests include WIA President, Mr Michael Owen, VK3KI, and
WIA Director, Mr Ewan McLeod VK4ERM.

If you will be attending, this very special luncheon, then please contact
Norm Greenaway VK4NP at nwg46@bigpond.com President of the Hervey Bay Club,
He would love to hear from you.

The next day, Sunday July 22nd will see the Hervey Bay Amateur Radio Club
hosting a free BBQ at the Hervey Bay SES Buildings, on Old Maryborough Road
Pialba. What better way to top off the President's Luncheon on Saturday,
then to go out for dinner Saturday night, and stay for the Sunday Free BBQ
and make a weekend of it in beautiful Hervey Bay.

Hervey Bay will be hosting VK100WIQ, and will be on air with it from the
SES Buildings on the day of the BBQ.

So that's all from the centenary committee for now.

Be sure to check your calendar, mark the dates in July, and check out our
website at www.wiaq.org.au

We look forward to seeing you at the Presidents Luncheon and working you on
air.

What use is an f-call?

The annual National WIA conference is just over a month away in Mildura.
This year I'll be participating in my first and I wondered if there are any
f-call's who'd like to go, but have some trepidation on the idea of attending
an event with lots of strangers.

Perhaps you might like to come along and share a room.

I've got a large family suite with spare beds available and if you're
hesitant to be there because you know no-one, perhaps this might help you.
I'm sure that we'll find something to talk about - amateur radio perhaps
- hi hi.

If you'd like to take me up on this offer, get in touch - contact details in
the text edition.

email: vk6flab@harg.org.au
phone: 04 1219 8888

People are inventive, continually trying new things, solving problems,
discovering new ones, making and breaking things, scratching an itch.
Amateurs are no different. Well they are, but in essence they're no different
from people.

Amateurs just like to invent more stuff than the average person on the
street. Meet any group of amateurs in the wild and before long you'll be
embroiled in a discussion about how to solve a problem that is bugging one of
you. There will be hand-waving, charts, calculators and good cheer to fill up
the room.

If you're new to Amateur Radio, you might find yourself overwhelmed by all this interaction. All you did was get your shiny new license and turn up. Now all these experts are jabbering on about stuff you know next to nothing about.

Ironically, if you stop and think about it for a moment, you'll quickly come to the realization that this is true for everyone in the room. Some people did this yesterday, others last year, and some have been around since before you were born. The only trick in interacting with these people is to ask questions.

Hearing a new Amateur on-air is a similar experience. What do you talk about and how do you avoid looking silly?

I can't help with looking silly, but wearing a clown-costume on air is generally not a problem, since we're really only working with audio. More seriously, looking silly is in the eye of the beholder, if your intent is to learn, there can be no place for looking silly.

So, my advice to you is to walk into the room or push your talk button and have a go. Ultimately, this hobby contains many different people, some of whom are going to share many of your interests.

I'm Onno - VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Jo&#65533;o Alberto Costa CT1FBF brings news of an extension to the amateur radio 6m band.

He writes:
The National Communications Authority of Portugal (ICP-ANACOM) welcomes the proposal of 2 amateur radio colleagues, Jos&#65533; Carlos CT1DHM and Jo&#65533;o Costa CT1FBF, in order to amend the upper range limit of 50.5 MHz on the 6 metres band, from next April 26, 2012; the date of the complete switch-off of the analogue TV broadcasting transmissions to digital terrestrial television.

The new limits of the band allocation for Portugal will be from 50 MHz to 52 MHz.

Such opening, regarding the new upper limit for Portuguese ham radio 6 metres band, was possible thanks to the end of the old analogue signal TV broadcasting transmissions, on the lower VHF band (channels 2 to 4) after that date.

UK C5 Discussion Group (VHF/UHF/Microwave matters)
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/ukc5discussion/

Rede dos Emissores Portugueses (REP) in Google English
http://tinyurl.com/PortugalREP

Portugese Regulator Anacom
http://tinyurl.com/PortugalCommsRegulator

World Amateur Radio Day

On 18 April 2012, radio amateurs celebrated World Amateur Radio Day, on the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union or IARU.

This year's theme was "Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space" in remembrance of the launching of OSCAR 1 on 12 December 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on 2 June 1962.

Nothing was heard after our initial notification here on VK1WIA News from any society/organisation in Australia of any celebration in VK.

In 1924, ARRL President Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW, had scheduled a business trip to Europe. While in Europe, Maxim was asked by the ARRL Board of Directors to represent the ARRL in fostering international relations between amateurs.

Following an informal meeting in 1924, representatives from France, Great Britain, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, Canada and the United States formulated a plan to hold an International Amateur Congress in Paris, France, in April 1925, for the purpose of founding the IARU.

Representatives from Europe, North America, South America and Asia attended the congress, adopting a constitution for the IARU on April 17.

At a closing assembly on the following day, officers were elected and the actions of the congress ratified by representatives from 25 countries. Thus, April 18 became the official "birthday" of the IARU and is now designated World Amateur Radio Day.

There were HOWEVER several special event stations from OTHER IARU's Member Societies active on different dates during April:

South Africa - ZS6IARU, was active 18 April. QSL via ZS4BS.
Bulgaria - LZ1WARD, by the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs, active throughout the month of April. QSL via bureau.

Switzerland - HB9WARD by Union Schweizerischer Kurzwellen-Amateure, active 18 April. QSL via HB9JOE.

Poland - HF87WARD, by members of the SP-CFF will be active from 17 to 30 April. There is an award for this operation. QSL via eQSL.cc and WFF LogSearch.

Liberia - EL2RL, by the Liberia Radio Amateur Association active 18 April. Direct QSL to EL2BA.

Mexico - 6H6IARU by the Federaci&#65533;n Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores who were active from 13 to 18 April. QSL via LoTW and N7RO.

Chile - 3G87IARU by the Radio Club de Chile, active throughout the month of April. QSL via CE3AA.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

NZART CHANGES ITS REPEATER LICENSE FEE METHODS

A decision from the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters will have an impact on several of its branches. Those where repeater and beacon licenses currently held in the name of NZART will be handed back to them.

The current system of invoicing and renewals means a heavy administrative workload for society's resources at a time when subscription renewals are also being processed. This will mean that this coming November when the individual licenses are up for renewal, each branch will receive the license renewal invoice direct from the government telecommunications regulatory authority. This in turn means that branch secretaries will need to be aware of this and ensure that payment is made by the date due. Failure to do so may result in the license being cancelled.

Unlike the United States where individual hams own and hold license to repeaters, in many nations it is the national society that is the repeater and beacon licensee. Those hams involved merely build and maintain repeaters. In fact, in some nations these hams are known as repeater keepers rather than as owner operators of such devices.

NEW 50 MHz EME DIGITAL SARL DX RECORD

Derek Gravette, ZS5Y, in Scottburgh, South Africa established a new 50 MHz South Africa Radio League Earth-Moon-Earth record. This, by making contact with Mike Staal, K6MYC, in northern California in the United States.

On April 4th, the two completed a QSO on E-M-E using the JT65a digital mode. JT65 was developed by Joe Taylor, K1JT and released in late 2003. It is intended for extremely weak but slowly-varying signals, such as those found on tropo-scatter or of coarse E-M-E paths.

(SARL)

N0BYH GIVEN AWARD FOR AIDING HAM RADIO SCOUTING

In the United States, Tim Arimond, N0BYH, has been awarded the Boy Scouts' District Award of Merit. This for his work in promoting amateur radio with the Boy Scouts in the Minneapolis and St Paul area.

The award recognizes Airmond's extraordinary service to youth that has included instruction to help prepare scouts to take the amateur radio exam as well as his service as a merit badge councillor for Electricity, Electronics, and Radio. It was also noted that he was also one of the adult leaders behind the local K0BSA.

(KD0NYS)

RADIO SPORT AND OPERATIONAL NEWS

TITANIC EVENT IN VK4

The Redcliffe club's brightly coloured tent stood out among the old maritime relics in a pristine area on the banks of the Brisbane River and as Bevan reports, the tent was not in the best position for radio communication but the operators persisted. There were many visitors to the radio tent including families as a result of media advertising with many asking questions about Morse code, and the role radio played in the Titanic disaster.

Most visitors were fascinated at actually seeing the operators sending and receiving CW and many visitors were able to send morse themselves with keys attached to audio oscillators. The club had 3 operators until about 1100Z and one from then until the station closed at about 2230Z.

Bevan also said that that the QSL cards for the event were printed last Wednesday as soon as the logs are collated the task of sending QSL cards will begin.

(Ray vk4cf)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK/ZL AM/CW on ANZAC DAY April 25
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

AM CW FOR ANZAC DAY

The SA Repatriation General Hospital will be on-air for AM and CW on ANZAC DAY - Andrew VK5CV has advised that a team of operators will be activating Adelaide's Repatriation General Hospital during the event as part of the hospital's 70th year celebrations.

Andrew has confirmed that special event call VI 70 RGH has been issued for this historic activation.

(THETARCINC)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

First activation of Botley Flour Mills for Mills on the Air weekend

Botley Flour Mills near Southampton in the UK is one of the oldest known milling sites and is listed in the doomsday book and is believed to have been a mill site in pre-Roman times.

The Mill will be activated for what is believed to be the first time with the callsign GB 0 BFM for Mills on the Air weekend on the 12/13th of May from 10:00-1600 BST with an NoV for 80m, 40m, 2m & 70cm.

The station will be run by M 0 IED and father G 6 FRT and other members of Itchen Valley Radio Club with added assistance from Southampton University Wireless society.

Itchen Valley Radio Club: http://www.ivarc.org.uk/
Southampton University Wireless society: http://www.suws.susu.org
Botley Flour Mills: http://www.botleymills.co.uk/heritage.htm

In DX, EA3OW is now active through May 12th as EA 3 0W/HH8 from Southern Haiti. Listen out for him on 40 through 10 meters using SSB, RTTY and digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, EA 3 OW

DJ 9 RR will be on the air as S 79 RR from Mahe Island between May 15th and the 23rd. Activity on 40 through 10 meters using CW and RTTY.
QSL via his home callsign, JJ 9 RR.

Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ 2 A from the Isle of Jersey during the Radio Society of Great Britain's' Islands on the Air Contest July 28 and 29.
QSL direct to GJ 3 DVC.

Mozambique operation

ZS6JR and ZS6DJD will be operating from Mozambique for seven days starting the 3rd of May 2012.
QTH is Shai Shai, Mozambique, 400 km north of the capital and they will operate all vertical antennas with the earth wires in lake water.
40m to 10m.

The 2012 Asian Weightlifting Championships is being held this month in South Korea. To celebrate the event the special callsign DT 12 AWC is activated until 30th of April.
QSL Manager is DS 2 GOO.

REWIND

Radio Ham established Broadcasting

Amateur radio operator Frank Conrad 8XK established the concept of radio broadcasting.

Frank first became interested in radio in 1912 when, in order to settle a bet on the accuracy of a watch, he built a radio in order to hear time signals from the Arlington, Virginia Naval Observatory.

He then constructed, in his garage, a new transmitter, licensed in 1916 as 8XK, whose signal could be heard throughout the Pittsburgh area.

In response to popular demand, Frank began broadcasting for two hours each Wednesday and Saturday night.

Watch Frank Conrad Invents Broadcasting by doing a youtube google.

(SouthGate)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

APR 28 VK6 HARGfest (Hills ARG)

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

MAY 26 VK4 BARCFEST (a hamfest) Mt Gravatt Showgrounds 9am.

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on
wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

579. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 19 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-19 11:08:18 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636ef0c5c7718cb04be062f01@google.com>
Source record: 3246
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LOVpY6_TG4o/april_19.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Not a good week, not even the weekend revived things. 3G7C (Chiloe Is. DXpedition), VP2MYZ (Montserrat) and 9M0L (Spratly Is) were active most of the week. There was other DX in there but it seemed difficult going

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Distracted Driving in Ontario

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cOZFkrVwqFE/distracted_driving_in_ontario.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On April 16 the MTO posted a regulatory notice proposing a change to Ontario Regulation # 366/09 (Display Screens and Hand-Held Devices) that would extend the current exemption for licenced amateur radio operators for an additional five years

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T40IARU Cuba on Satellites Saturday

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qwPVBpaC9Qo/t40iaru_cuba_on_satellites_saturday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hector, CO6CBF, brings news of Cuba's first amateur radio satellite special event station T40IARU which will be on the air this Saturday, April 21

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CQMM DX Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wXlobar-POc/cqmm_dx_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To all Radio amateurs, Clubs and Groups. In 2012, the CWJF Group hopes to have the honor of your participation in our CQMM DX CONTEST, for the first time - or again

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Invitation to all Radio Amateurs (Groups and Organizations) and volunteer groups

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yANQUHJfnyY/invitation_to_all_radio_amateurs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The State Agency for Emergency Management, Citizen Corps program in Puerto Rico and the Amateur Radio Volunteers Corps Puerto Rico invites all Radio Amateurs and communications group for a meeting on April 27, 2012

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GyYeg0g8zos/april_19.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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DXCC Card Checking Rule Change

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eqqbBD4ywpQ/dxcc_card_checking_rule_change.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The change in the DXCC Rules will permit volunteer Card Checkers who have achieved DXCC on 160 meters to check 160 meter QSLs in the field, and all Card Checkers to check cards for Deleted Entities

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NZART Inter-Branch ARDF 2m Fox Hunt competition

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JDD3xLozyJw/nzart_inter_branch_ardf_2m_fox_hunt_competition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZART inter-branch ARDF 2m Foxhunt competition will take place this Saturday in the Dingle Dell reserve, Auckland, NZ

580. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 19 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-19 16:37:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357c795460504be0ac7d7@google.com>
Source record: 3247
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Distracted Driving in Ontario

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 01:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342909-Distracted-Driving-in-Ontario&goto=newpost

Distracted Driving in Ontario

On April 16 the MTO posted a regulatory notice proposing a change to
Ontario Regulation # 366/09 (Display Screens and Hand-Held Devices) that
would extend the current exemption for licenced amateur radio operators for
an additional five years.

As you know, the exemption was due to expire at the end of this calendar
year, and Radio Amateurs of Canada has been lobbying for a permanent
exemption since this regulation was introduced back in 2009.

We will be providing comments to the Road User Safety Branch of MTO on this
issue and will continue to press for a permanent exemption. That said, a
5-year extension is certainly welcome at this point but is not the ultimate
resolution that we have been seeking.

The only other group to obtain an extension are commercial, public transit,
and public function drivers.

You can view the notice in the provincial registry at:

http://www.ontariocanada.com/registr...43&language=en

RAC and the Distracted Driving Committee wishes to thank all organisations
that supplied letters of support to assist us in obtaining this extension.
This shows the support we have from many Ontario organisations.

Bill Unger VE3XT

North/East Ontario Regional Director

Chair - RAC Distracted Driving Committee

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581. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 19 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-19 17:13:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934082f95238a04be0b48ce@google.com>
Source record: 3248
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Special Event Station

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 09:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342954-Special-Event-Station&goto=newpost

Special Event Station Operation: May 10, 2012, 1300 ☐ 1700 UTC,
demonstration station at the Sussex County (DE) 911 Awareness Day, by the
Sussex County RACES Group, KB3HEV. Operating portable using HamComm 1 from
the parking lot of the Sussex County (DE) Emergency Operations Center
(EOC). SSB on 40, 20, 17, 15 meters, low end of the general class
allocations. QSL gets a certificate, qsl direct.

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Iota as-146 weihai china ham (jiming island)

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 02:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342912-Iota-as-146-weihai-china-ham-(jiming-island)&goto=newpost

Date; April 23 (UTC04; 00) in 2012 ----- May 3 2012, (UTC07; 00).

Operator; BD4KYA / 4 (SSB) * BD4KRB / 4 (CW) * BG4KLA / 4 (SSB)

TX/RX;TS-590S TS-480HX

ATN; 14-50mhzHVD 7mhzGP 3mhz Vertical+ATU

QTH; NO1-CW NO2-SSB FROM JIMING ISLAND

Note; landing and withdrawal of the island according to local weather, pay
attention to the concern

QSL;BD4KYA/4 Direct or Bureau

QSL'BG4KLA/4 Direct or Bureau

QSL;BD4KRB/4 Direct or NO Bureau

Note; the Bureau takes a long time.

VY73

DE BD4KYA

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Special Event Station KS0SA Greensburg Kansas Tornado 5th Anniversary May 5

Posted: 18 Apr 2012 05:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342878-Special-Event-Station-KS0SA-Greensburg-Kansas-Tornado-5th-Anniversary-May-5&goto=newpost

Salvation Army and SATERN honor Greensburg Kansas and its Rebirth.

May 5 2012 16:00-21:00 utc

Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network,

Kansas and Western Missouri, Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services

KS0SA will be operating from Greensburg, Kiowa County KS 67054 USA

http://www.satern.salvationarmy.us

Primary Frequencies are

10.115 18.135 7.255 14.040

Certificate and QSL available with 9x12 Stamped Self Addressed Envelope
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SATERN, KS0SA

Greensburg Special Event

C/o The Salvation Army EDS

PO Box 412577

Kansas City, MO 64141

http://www.greensburgks.org/visitors....5-years-later

582. eHam.net News for Thursday 19 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-19 22:15:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a1297788cc04be0f81ac@google.com>
Source record: 3249
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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NIAR Sets Up Ham Radio Station at G P Sinha Centre:

Posted: 18 Apr 2012 06:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28123

Patna, Apr 18 (PTI) The National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR), Hyderabad today joined hands with Prof G P Sinha Centre for Disaster Management and Rural Development, Patna, by setting up a ham radio station at the latter's office at Rajendra Nagar here. Today is the World Amateur Radio day. The Union ministry of Information Technology has sponsored the programme. While the NIAR is a renowned organisation with exemplary services in the field of amateur radio nationally, G P Sinha centre is a premier organisation doing project works in the fields of disaster management and rural development.

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Zehr Brings Ham Radio to Good Sam-Flanagan:

Posted: 18 Apr 2012 06:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28122

Flanagan, Ill. -- After five years of being packed away, Dick Zehr's Ham radio has made its way back to him at Good Samaritan Home, Flanagan. Zehr, who will be 91 April 28, and his wife, Lois, are both residents at Good Sam and have been licensed to use the radio since 1953. "We had to pass a Morse code test of 13 words per minute and a written test to get our license. The license is renewable and the license we have today expires in 2017, so we have a little time to go," Zehr said. He said his wife, who is 87, can't speak anymore due to an illness, but she still keeps her license current. Using the Ham radio has been a hobby the couple has enjoyed for numerous years, speaking to people in more than 250 countries, including keeping up with missionaries in South America and Africa, captains on airplanes and ships out at sea and an encounter with the King of Jordan in 1972.
"I have it all written down in my log book. I heard him on there quite often," Zehr said of King Hussein. The amateur radio enthusiast said that the available bands, or frequencies, aren't what they used to be and that he only has a reach of about 50 square miles today.

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Connecting The World Through Their Own Radios:

Posted: 18 Apr 2012 06:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28121

Life is busy for VT Sadasivan (78), a retired physics professor based in Madurai. He is teaching batches of students the nuances of amateur radio communications. After the teaching sessions, Prof Sadasivan tunes in to his Ham Radio transceiver communicating with friends across the globe. "I am on the vigil all the time. As a Ham Radio (amateur radio) operator I have a lot of responsibilities," he said. When earthquake devastated Gujarat on January 26, 2001 and tsunami waves struck Tamil Nadu coast in December 2004, Prof Sadasivan was the point of contact for thousands of people who wanted to know about their near and dear ones. The 2004 tsunami attack was no different. "Telephone and mobile phone network in the coastal districts went off the air for almost 15 days. The Hams (amateur radio buffs) moved into the camp office of the district collector with their equipment. The entire communication responsibility was undertaken by the hams," said Arulmozhi, another ham radio buff who is also a staff of the National Informatics Centre. Telephone posts and mobile phone towers were uprooted when Cyclone Thane struck Tamil Nadu coast in December 2011. "District authorities in Cuddalore and Nagapattinam had to depend on hams for rescue and relief operations," said Shankar Satyapa, director, Indian Institute of Ham Radio, Bangalore. Hams across the globe observe April 18 as the World Amateur Radio Day to commemorate the formation of the International Amateur Radio Union on April 18, 1925. Out of two million Ham Radio operators in the world who work selflessly for One World; One Language, 20,000 are from India. "We have 5,000 active amateur radio operators in India," said Satypal. Every ham radio operator has something exciting to tell about his/her contacts and experiences. E S Aruswamy (83), the oldest Ham Radio operator in South India was in regular touch with King Hussein of Jordan. Aruswamy breathed his last early this year.

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William B. (Will) Wales, N0NNG (SK):

Posted: 18 Apr 2012 05:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28120

William B. (Will) Wales, 71, of Wheatland, died April 11th at Cheyenne Regional Medical Center following an extended illness. He had suffered with diabetes much of his life. He was born June 17, 1940 in Denver, Colorado and lived in Colorado until moving to Wheatland in May of 2000. He and his wife purchased a small farm SW of Wheatland and had various livestock. Mr. Wales was retired and had worked for the Colorado Department of Communications from 1969 to 1992. He had also been in business in various other trades or occupations as well. He and his wife once owned a candy store at Grand Lake, CO. He was a jack-of-all-trades and master of many. Gunsmith, locksmith, clock repair, and his most loved trade as a radio/electronics technician. He was an accomplished HAM radio operator and enjoyed sharing his knowledge with other radio operators.

583. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event station VX3W

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-19 23:30:05 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F909F8D.6030305@rac.ca>
Source record: 3250
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Special Event station VX3W
2012-04-19

Members of the Manotick Amateur Radio Group will be operating special event station VX3W from Fort Wellington in Prescott, Ontario, on Saturday, May 19th from 10:00 EDT to 16:00 EDT (1400Z to 2000Z) to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812.

Operating Modes: We will be operating on various HF bands, depending on the conditions. Local operators may be able to find us on simplex VHF and/or UHF. While most operations will be voice, we may also operate in digital modes.

Check the VX3W board on our club's forums for more information :http://www.ve3rix.ca/forums/forumdisplay.php?fC.

If you make contact with VX3W, please send us a QSL card to the address below. We will send out cards in return and ask that you include a first class stamp for Canadian addresses or an IRC for any other country.

QSL Information:

Manotick Amateur Radio Group
c/o 609-45 Holland Avenue
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
K1Y 4S3

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

584. The ARRL Letter for April 19, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-20 05:56:50 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120419223210.5343C2DBCA3@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + DAYTON HAMVENTION: GET READY FOR ARRL EXPO AT THE DAYTON
HAMVENTION

The ARRL has finalized its planning to bring its large exhibition --
ARRL EXPO -- to Dayton Hamvention, May 18-20. The ARRL EXPO has been a
mainstay at Hamvention since 2005, serving as the centerpiece for most
of the League's activities at the country's largest Amateur Radio
convention. "Our goal is help represent the fullness of the ARRL
membership programs and services at the convention," said ARRL
Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R. "ARRL EXPO is as much about
creating an experience for convention goers as it is about having a
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place for members to interact with other members. The ARRL EXPO team includes more than 100 ARRL volunteers, officials and staff members. If you are an active Amateur Radio operator or want to renew your interest in ham radio, the ARRL EXPO is the place to be at Dayton." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/get-ready-for-the-2012-arrl-expo-at-the-dayton-hamvention>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: IOWA HAMS HELP LOCAL AND NWS OFFICIALS BEFORE, AFTER TORNADO

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/CrestonTornado.jpg> On April 14, a string of tornados swept through the Central US and Great Lakes Region, including an EF2 tornado in Creston, Iowa, causing severe damage to the Greater Regional Medical Center and the Southwestern Community College campus. Prior to the tornado, radio amateurs in Creston reported storm observations directly to the National Weather Service. After the storm forced the evacuation of the hospital, hams provided communications support to local officials. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/iowa-hams-support-local-officials-before-after-tornado>.

==> + ON THE AIR: AMATEURS MUST PROTECT NEW RADARS IN 23 CM BAND

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA <http://www.faa.gov/>) is deploying a new generation of Common Air Route Surveillance Radar (CARSR) that has some implications for the use of the 1240-1300 MHz (23 cm) band by amateurs. The Amateur Service allocation in this band is on a secondary basis, with aeronautical radionavigation and several other services primary in the United States Table of Frequency Allocations. The FCC rules require that amateur stations operating in the 23 cm band may not cause harmful interference to stations in the radionavigation-satellite service, the aeronautical radionavigation service, the Earth exploration-satellite service (active) or the space research service (active). One case of harmful interference in Southern California has been reported.

CARSRs are being installed in several dozen locations throughout the country and will use various frequencies in the 1240-1350 MHz range with an occupied bandwidth of about 3 MHz. In the vicinity of the radars, amateur operation may be precluded in a portion of the 23 cm band. The ARRL is in contact with FAA engineers. We anticipate that the constraints on amateur use of the band will be limited to those necessary to protect aviation safety, which of course cannot be compromised.

==> + ON THE AIR: CHANGES PERMIT MORE FIELD CHECKING OF DXCC CARDS

Acting on a recommendation by ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, the ARRL's Programs and Services Committee (PSC), adopted new rules for ARRL field card checkers. ARRL card checkers now may check QSL cards for those entities deleted from the

DXCC list and, with exceptions, check cards for 160 meters. In addition, the PSC decided not to change the process by which card checkers are appointed. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-card-checkers-can-now-check-cards-for-160-meters-deleted-entities>.

==> + FIELD DAY: REGISTER YOUR ARRL FIELD DAY SITE ON THE FIELD DAY LOCATOR

First introduced in 2008, the ARRL's Field Day Station Locator Service <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> has proved a popular addition to the Field Day toolbox. This service -- an interactive map that helps amateurs or those interested in Amateur Radio find a Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> site near them -- is free to clubs or individuals who will be operating public Field Day stations. Stations can also be listed by state or province. So far, hams in 47 states, Puerto Rico and six Canadian provinces have listed Field Day sites on the Field Day Locator. If your group would like to be a part of the Station Locator Service, it's easy to get started -- just go to the Field Day Station Locator website <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> and follow the instructions. ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air operating event in Amateur Radio. On June 23-24, join tens of thousands of radio amateurs as they gather for a public demonstration of the Amateur Service.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ATTENTION TEACHERS: APPLICATIONS FOR TEACHERS INSTITUTE AND ETP GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE SOON

Thinking about using Amateur Radio and wireless technology in your classroom to help facilitate hands-on learning opportunities? The ARRL's Education & Technology Program offers two programs that can help make this happen, but the deadline to apply is fast approaching: The deadline for the 2012 Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology is May 15, while the deadline for equipment and resource grants is May 1. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/attention-teachers-applications-for-teachers-institute-and-etp-grant-applications-due-soon>.

==> + DIGITAL QST: COMING SOON TO A COMPUTER NEAR YOU!

The new digital edition of QST will debut toward the end of May. If you are an ARRL member and you haven't yet signed up to be notified automatically when the digital edition becomes available, you can do so easily. Just click on the "Edit your profile" link on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/>. Once you are in your profile, click "Edit e-mail subscriptions" and then check the box next to "Notification of monthly digital edition of QST." That's all there is to it. A new FAQ <http://www.arrl.org/digital-qst-faq> about the digital edition has the answers to the questions ARRL members have been asking (it can also be accessed from the QST page on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/qst>). We hope you enjoy the new digital edition of QST.

==> MINUTES FROM MARCH'S ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING NOW AVAILABLE

The ARRL Executive Committee met
<http://www.arrl.org/news/executive-committee-to-meet-this-weekend-in-missour
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on Saturday, March 24 in St Louis, Missouri. The minutes from that
meeting are now available <http://www.arrl.org/board-meetings> on the
ARRL website.

==> INTERNATIONAL NEWS: ITU TELECOM WORLD 2012 CONFERENCE SEEKING
PARTICIPANTS FOR YOUNG INNOVATORS PROGRAM

As part of ITU Telecom World 2012 -- scheduled for October 14-18 in
Dubai -- the conference will present the Young Innovators Program. With
its theme of Youth Innovation for Development, the Young Innovators
Competition is a chance for the next generation of young visionaries to
demonstrate their ideas and innovations on this global stage and show
how their fresh digital thinking can change the world for the better.
The program seeks to attract dynamic, engaged young people and identify
projects with a genuine potential to succeed. The goal of the program
is to build a cohesive international community of highly talented of
social entrepreneurs from age 18-25 who are working on ICT-based
initiatives from the conceptual stage through to projects in areas of
critical relevance to the burning issues facing the world today. Read
more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/itu-telecom-world-2012-conference-seeking-participa
nts-for-young-innovators-program>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: The solar flux and sunspot numbers reached
a short term low on April 8-11, but they are rising again. For the past
week -- April 12-18 -- the average daily sunspot numbers more than
doubled, compared to the previous seven days, rising more than 39
points to 71.7. The average daily solar flux increased from 95.9 to
105.1. The predicted solar flux for April 19-22 is 120, followed by 115
on April 23-26, 105 on April 27-28, 100 on April 29-30, and 95 on May
1-9. The predicted planetary A index is 5, 5, 8, 5, 6, 10, 12 and 8 on
April 19-26, 5 on April 27-29, 8 on April 30, 5 on May 1-7, and 8, 12,
15 and 10 on May 8-11. Look for more information -- including
propagation reports from readers, updated predictions and a piece by
Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, regarding the current stalled state of Solar
Cycle 24 -- on the ARRL website on Friday, April 20. For more
information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical
Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> + ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE SET FOR ATLANTA

The dates have been set -- September 21-23 -- for the 31st Annual
ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC
<http://www.tapr.org/dcc>) in Atlanta at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel.
The DCC schedule includes forums, demonstrations, a Saturday evening

banquet and an in-depth Sunday seminar. This conference is for everyone with an interest in digital communications -- from beginner to expert. Technical papers are also being solicited for the conference proceedings. You do not have to attend the conference to have your paper included. The submission deadline is July 31. Please send papers to Maty Weinberg, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111, or you can make your submission via e-mail <maty@arrl.org>. Papers will be published exactly as submitted and authors will retain all rights. For more information, please see the DCC website <http://www.tapr.org/dcc> or call TAPR at 972-671-8277.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- April 20-21 -- Holyland DX Contest
- April 21 -- Feld Hell Sprint; EU Spring Sprint (SSB); TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest; ES Open HF Championship
- April 21-22 -- Michigan QSO Party; South Dakota QSO Party; Ontario QSO Party; CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest; EA-QRP CW Contest; YU DX Contest
- April 25 -- 432 MHz Spring Sprint (local time)
- April 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- April 27 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- April 28-29 -- Florida QSO Party; Nebraska QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (Digital); SP DX RTTY Contest; Helvetia Contest; QRP to the Field
- April 29 -- BARTG Sprint 75
- May 1 -- AGCW QRP/QRP Party

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- April 20-22 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-2>, Boise, Idaho; 63rd International DX Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/63rd-international-dx-convention>, Visalia, California
- April 21 -- ARRL Delaware State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/delaware-state-convention-delmarva-amateur-radio-electronics-expo-1>, Georgetown, Delaware; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-1>, Monroe,

Louisiana
- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electro
nics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 4 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia

- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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585. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 20 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Sheridan Wyoming Swap Fest

Posted: 18 Apr 2012 09:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342901-Sheridan-Wyoming-Swap-Fest&goto=newpost

SWAP FEST

ELECTRONICS & RADIO

CLOUD PEAK RADIO AND ELECTRONICS GROUP

Saturday April 21, 2012 8AM ☐ 2PM

Masonic Lodge Building

109 S. Gould St.

Sheridan, WY 82801

Gather all of your electronic items that you no longer use and bring them
for

sale at this SWAPFEST. START SEARCHING NOW!

Items may include radio gear, computers, electronic test equipment,

antennas, rotors, TVs and many other items that relate to electronics.

Food available.

Talk-in on 146.82 (100htz tone)

COST INFORMATION

Seller tables . $10 if reserved in advance by April 7, 2012

$15 after April 7, 2012

(Table size is 30 in. by 8 ft.)

Tailgaters . $15 per parking space

General Admission $2 per person (children under 12 FREE)

Free Parking for general admission

Seller setup will start at 7AM / Sellers to begin packing up by 2PM and out by 3PM

FOR MORE INFO ☐ E-MAIL aa5xj@arrl.net or

PHONE Gary at 307-752-4536.

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586. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1810 - April 20 2012

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Date: 2012-04-20 09:00:20 UTC
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1810 - April 20 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1810 with a release date of April 20th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. A new report released by a ham in Germany highlights various radar sources that could interfere with amateur radio; the Sun shows its might again as a major eruption hits the North-East limb; amateur radio responds to tornado devastation in the central U-S; Scouting gets its own IRLP Topic Channel and Riley is coming to CQ Magazine. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1810 coming your way right now.

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WORLDBEAT: NEW OTH RADAR REPORT RELEASED BY DK20M

A new paper released by a ham in Germany may shed some light on sources of interference on the ham bands caused by radar systems world-wide. Jim Davis, W2JKD, has more:

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Wolfgang Hadel DK2OM has made available a report documenting High Frequency Over The Horizon radar systems used around the world. Also included are Ionosphere and Troposhere Diagnostic Radars as well as well as Ocean Wave and Coastal Radars. All of these can interfere with amateur radio and shortwave listening.

The report is an exceedingly thorough look at these various Radar systems and their uses. It also includes explanations of how some of these systems work and include photographs, maps and graphs of some of the operations.

The 36 page report is free to anyone who wants a copy. You can download it in Adobe .pdf format at tinyurl.com/oth-radar-report.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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Again that U-R-L to obtain a free copy of the paper is tinyurl.com/oth-radar-report

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NEWSLINE FOLLOW-UP: NEW RADAR MAY HAVE CAUSED SOCAL HAM TO ECEIVE NOV

A follow-up and a possible answer to the question raised last week of just what aeronautical radar system Gary Dent, AF6HP, was issued a Notice of Violation by the FCC for interfering with. Its now been made public that the FAA is in the process deploying a new generation of Common Air Route Surveillance Radar that operates in the 23 centimeter band. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with what we know:

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Well Don, most of what we know comes in the form of a news release from the ARRL Letter. It says that the deployment of what is known as the updated Common Air Route Surveillance Radar has some implications for the use of the 1240 to 1300 MHz band by radio amateurs.

According to the ARRL story, the improved Common Air Route Surveillance Radar systems are being installed in several dozen locations throughout the country, albeit the exact placement has not been announced. And as stated, this radar system is a primary user of the band meaning that any and all other users must protect it from any man made interference. That includes amateur radio which holds secondary status.

At this point, all that's really known is that the radar will use various frequencies in the 1240-1350 MHz range with an occupied bandwidth of about 3 MHz. As such, the League says that in the vicinity of these radars, amateur operation may be precluded in a portion of the 23 cm band.

The ARRL says that it is in contact with FAA engineers and that it anticipates that the constraints on amateur use of the band will be limited to those necessary to protect aviation safety. This of coarse is something that cannot ever be compromised.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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Whether or not this radar is the reason that AF6HP received his Notice of Violation is not known because it's also not known if the Los Angeles area is the home of one of the improved radar facilities. Nor does it explain the additional charge of broadcasting that was included in the NOV issued to AF6HP. (ARRL, others)

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PROPAGATION: SPECTACULAR APRIL 16th EXPLOSION ON THE SUN

Another spectacular display from old Sol. On April 16th around 17:45 UTC, magnetic fields curling over the sun's northeastern limb rose up and erupted, producing one of the most visually-spectacular explosions in years.

The event, which also produced an M1.7-class solar flare and a coronal mass ejection, was not Earth-directed. Nevertheless, it confirms suspicions that a significant active region of our home star is rotating onto the Earth facing side of the sun. This could mean more flares and some interesting propagation in the coming days and weeks.

Please visit spaceweather.com for videos of this solar event and the very latest updates. (W0WOI, VHF Reflector)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K4ZDH NAMED NEW CQ MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

Retired FCC amateur radio enforcement chief Riley Hollingsworth, K-4-Zed-D-H, has been named a CQ magazine contributing editor, succeeding "Washington Readout" editor Fred Maia, W5YI, who recently became a Silent Key.

Hollingsworth, a ham since 1960 and a longtime FCC attorney became a household name in amateur radio in 1998. That's when he was named Special Counsel for Amateur Radio in the Commission's then newly-created Enforcement Bureau.

His highly-visible enforcement actions were cheered by a majority in the amateur community. Especially after more than a decade during which FCC enforcement on the ham bands was virtually non existent.

Riley Hollingsworth retired from the FCC in 2008, but has continued to be in demand for personal appearances within the ham radio community. And according to CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, he was the natural choice for a column on regulatory matters concerning amateur radio:

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W2VU: "If you are looking for a columnist on regulatory affairs, who is better qualified than Riley Hollingsworth?

"He spent 30 years in the FCC; kept us all in-line for over a decade; continues to be a widely sought after speaker at hamfests and clubs and is very widely respected throughout the amateur community."

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Riley Hollingsworth's new monthly column will be titled "Riley's Ramblings." According to Moseson, it will incorporate "Washington Readout's" coverage of legislative and administrative actions that affect amateur radio along with additional topics of importance and/or interest to CQ's readers and the ham radio public at large.

Hollingsworeth's first column will appear in the July, 2012, issue of CQ. In it he will explain why ongoing FCC enforcement actions since his retirement have been somewhat "under the radar."

Riley Hollingsworth holds a Master's degree from the University of South Carolina, and a law degree from Wake Forest University. He lives in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, with his wife, Pat. (CQ)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W7KYC repeater serving the city of Portland, Oregon.

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RESCUE RADIO: AMATEUR RADIO RESPONDS TO MID-WEST TORNADOES

Amateur radio operators in several states responded as a spate of tornadoes devastated areas of several states. We have more in this report:

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When high winds and tornadoes called on Oklahoma Friday, April 13th, amateur radio Skywarn spotters and Amateur Radio Emergency Service members were ready.

Rick Smith, KI5GT, the warning coordination meteorologist in Norman said: "Once again, storm spotters played a critical role in helping the National Weather Service and local officials deal with dangerous storms during the past week across Oklahoma.

Amateur radio reports from local storm spotters gave forecasters important ground truth information when tornadoes struck southwest Oklahoma on April 13th. And it was a trained storm spotter from a volunteer fire department in northwest Oklahoma who alerted the National Weather Service as the tornado that would go on to strike Woodward, Oklahoma first developed. That information prompted a tornado warning that gave residents of Woodward about 20 minutes advance warning."

Near the town a Blair, Altus Skywarn Association members were providing spotter reports on the WX5ASA repeater system. In fact, the day after the tornado, Skywarn Coordinator Steve Grayson, KE5BPL, was leading a team of Red Cross volunteers in damage assessment. Within another two days, Grayson was deployed to Woodward to help with the recovery from the tragic F-3 tornado strike there.

Similar stories played out in the "tornado ravaged" cities of Woodward, Cherokee, and Norman where a total of seven deaths were reported. Cleanup and Recovery continues in Oklahoma which has seen at least one County so far declared by the Governor as a disaster area.

In addition to Oklahoma, several other states suffered storm damage as well. There, ham radio operators played key roles in severe weather spotting and relief efforts as well.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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More on this in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (KC5FM, National Weather Service Norman OK., others)

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RADIO LAW: HAM GATHERING SIGNATURES ON PETITION TO VOID ANTENNA PROHIBITIONS

N4UM tells Newsline that he has begun a petition drive to the FCC. This, in an attempt to get the regulatory agency to void antenna prohibitions by developers and Home Owners Associations.

As of this report the petition has garnered over 700 signatures. N4UM says that he is doing this now because the FCC is currently requesting formal comments on emergency communications in amateur radio. The agency also wants to know the effects of impediments to the amateur radio service as part of the Docket GN 12-91 inquiry.

Comments on this federal study close on May 17th. N4UM says that his petition will also close on this same day. You can find his petition on-line at tinyurl.com/antenna-rights (N4UM)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SETTLES 2007 UNCERTIFIED TRANSMITTERS WITH CONSENT DECREE

A Consent Decree has ended the case involving a hobby electronics supplier accused by the FCC of selling non-certified broadcast transmitters in the United States. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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The FCC has entered into a Consent Decree with Richard Mann doing business as the Antique Radio Collector. The Consent Decree settles an enforcement proceeding begun back in November of 2006, when the FCC's Spectrum Enforcement Division issued the Letter of Inquiry to Mann in response to a complaint alleging that he was assembling SSTRAN model AMT3000 AM transmitters built from kits and then marketing them in the United States.

In March of 2007 the regulatory agency issued the Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture against Mann in the amount of $7,000 wich was affirmed that November. This lead to a number of Petitions for Reconsideration over the next 5 years and finally to a decision by the FCC and Mann that it would be far more prudent to finalize the matter through a Consent Decree. This decree has now been accepted by all parties and brings the matter to a close.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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You can read the entire decision and the text of the Consent Decree on-line at tinyurl.com/RichardMannConsentDecree (CGC, FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER UNLICENSED FLORIDA BROADCASTER FINED

The FCC has affirmed a Forfeiture Order in the amount of ten $10,000 to Robenson Thermitus of Miami, Florida. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 98.7 MHz in the Miami area.

Back on January 20, 2012, the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office issued the $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Thermitus. Since that time Thermitus has not filed a response to the NAL.

Now, based on the information the FCC has before it, the regulatory agency has now upheld the forfeiture order and given. Its also provided Thermitus the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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HAM RADIO AND SCOUTING: NEW DEDICATED IRLP TOPIC CHANNEL FOR SCOUTS

Radio Scouting and the Jamboree on the Air now have a common meeting place for Internet Radio Linking Project contacts or IRLP. As one of the new Topic Channels, scouts need only connect to IRLP Node 9091 to make contact with one another.

The Radio Scouting and Jamboree on the Air Topic Channel is available for use 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. A recommended time for calling has initially been established for 1800 UTC for weekend activities, such as Radio Merit Badge events, as well as contacts during Summer Camp. Another suggested time is 0100 UTC to accommodate most scouts during the evening hours.

For detailed information on available IRLP repeaters in your area, how IRLP works and operating guidelines, visit www.irlp.net on the World-Wide-Web. For more information about this and other IRLP Topic Channels take your web browser to www.irlptopics.net. (NZART)

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WITH QCWA: BECOME A MEMBER OR PAY DUES ON-LINE

The Quarter Century Wireless Association has announced that those eligible can now join the organization or renew membership on-line.

The link to the applications are at www.qcwa.org/how-to-join.php After you complete the form, click 'Add to Cart. From there you yiu will be taken to PayPal to complete the transaction.

You don't need to be a member of PayPal to use a Debit or Credit card. You do need to be a member of PayPal to use your checking or savings account electronic transfer. Eligibility to join QCWA requires a

continuous 25 years as a licensed amateur radio operator. (N0UF)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: N6G TO CELEBRATE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE AT AGE 75

A Healdsburg, California ham has announced a special event operation to celebrate the 75th anniversary of one of the states most usefull landmarks. Jim Damron, N8TMW, is here with more:

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Will Pattullo, AE6YB, tells Newsline that he will be hosting special event N6G an May 26 and the 27th. This to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the opening of San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge.

AE6YB says he will definitely be on 7.265, 14.265 and 21.265 MHz during the two-day operation. He will also try to get on 80 and 10 meters if time permits. Domestic U-S stations should QSL N6G via AE6YB with a self addressed stamped envelope direct via his callbook address. DX stations are asked to include a US dollar to cover return postage.

>From Charleston, West Virginia, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, reporting.

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More about the event is on line at AE6YB's information page on QRZ.com. (AE6YB)

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HAMVENTION HAMVENTION 2012 AFFILIATED EVENT: MEGALINKT TO PROVIDE HAMVENTION AREA WIDE COVERAGE

If you will be attending Hamvention 2012, heres a bit of news for you. And again this year, K9NZF Systems and the Chief Anderson Amateur Radio Club are hosting the Dayton Hamvention MegALinK special event wide area voice network.

The MegALinK was conceived as a way to provide FM mobile voice coverage from west central Indiana all the way to Dayton, Ohio. This year it will also provide coverage into and on the grounds of the Dayton Hamvention itself.

More about it and how to use it is on-line at www.k9nzf.com. Questions and comments go by e-mail to megalink (at) k9nzf (dot) com. (K9ZF Systems)

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HAMVENTION 2012 AFFILIATED EVENT TALK VIA A SATELLITE AT THE DAYTON HAMVENTION

AMSAT is inviting students attending the 2012 Dayton Hamvention to stop by the Satellite Demonstration Area just outside of the Ball Area entrance. This to experience the thrill of taking part in an actual

contact using one or more of the currently on-orbit amateur satellites.

There will be AMSAT volunteers there to explain how to make the contacts and during actual satellite passes. AMSAT adds that its volunteers will try to get as many students as possible to complete actual contacts.

There will be lists of satellite pass times in the satellite demonstration area and at the AMSAT booth inside the exhibition area to help those wanting to talk via a satellite to plan their schedule accordingly. (ANS)

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HAMVENTION 2012 AFFILIATED EVENT: A MORNING OF D-STAR INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTION

Hamvention goers who are thinking of getting a D-STAR radio or those who are newly involved in the technology might want to take note of an affiliated event session.

A three hour class titled "A Morning of D-STAR Information and Instruction for New D-STAR Users" will take place on Friday, May 18th from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon Eastern Daylight time with check-in starting at 8:30 a.m.. The venue is the Drury Inn Ballroom located at 6616 Miller Lane, in Dayton.

There, several well known instructors will take you step by step into the world of D-Star digital audio communications. Some of the subjects to be covered include what D-STAR is, what can it do and how is it used. You will also learn what equipment is currently available, how radio memory management works, how to link to other repeaters and reflectors and much more. And those who attend will be eligible at a chance to win an Icom ID-31A handheld D-STAR radio.

The cost of the session is $25 and anyone planning to attend must register on-line before April 25th. To do that, simply take your web browser to tinyurl.com/dstar-dayton-register and fill in the required fields. More information on the session itself can be found at www.dstarinfo.com. (DSTARINFO.COM)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM HAPPENINGS: EMCOMMWEST - MAY 4 TO 6 IN RENO NEVADA

While the Dayton Hamvention is the show on almost everyones mind, its not the only big show happening in May. Another is Emcommwest that's held each year in Reno, Nevada. Here's Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, with the details:

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Emcommwest is returning to Reno, NV on May 4th through the 6th. This year marks the 10th anniversary of the ARRL Specialty Convention, with focus on Emergency Communications. But hurry, the advance registration deadline will be at Midnight on Saturday April 28th.

This year our ARRL Keynote speaker will be League COO Harold Kramer, WJ1B who will bring us the latest on Amateur Radio in general, with our ARRL Forum, hosted by Pacific Division Director Bob vallio, W6RGG.

We are especially proud to bring special guest and Sat. night banquet speaker Chip Margelli, K7JA, who was with Heil Sound for many years and is now Director of Sales & Marketing for CQ Magazine. You may remember Chip from the Code vs. Texting contest on the Jay Leno show a few years back. Emcommwest is honored to have this Amateur Radio legend join us for the 10th anniversary year.

The Sunday morning breakfast will welcome back Tom Taormina K5RC operator of the legendary contest station.

New this year will be an "ARES Leadership Forum" on Sunday morning, with a panel of SEC's discussing new ideas, innovations, large scale exercises and a wide variety of topics of interest to the Emergency Communications world in Amateur Radio.

Also new this year will be NARRI's VOIP conference all day Friday May 4th, Of course there will be the Friday night BBQ hosted by the SATERN team, vendor hall, Saturday morning swap meet and a host of topical forums and training sessions again this year.

For The Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM in Reno.

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For more information and registration, please head to the website emcommwest.org, or email info (at) emcommwest (dot) org. (Emcommwest)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: LYRID METEOR SHOWER APRIL 21-22

The rocks in the sky are coming again. W0WOI reports via the VHF Reflector that Earth is approaching the debris field of ancient Comet Thatcher which is the source of the annual Lyrid meteor shower.

Forecasters expect the shower to peak on April 21st and 22nd. A nearly new moon on those dates will provide perfect dark-sky conditions for meteor watching.

According to meteor scatter enthusiasts, usually the shower is mild with about 10 to 20 meteors per hour. But unmapped filaments of dust in the comet's tail sometimes trigger outbursts 10 times stronger.

You can follow the approaching event and get nmore information on it on-line at spaceweather.com. (W0WOI via VHF Reflector)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM - MAY 12

The South Africa AMSAT Space Symposium will be held at the University of KwaZulu-Natal on Saturday May 12th. The theme of the symposium is five decades of amateur satellites and celebrating the launch of OSCAR 1 fifty years ago. The full program and registration details are at tinyurl.com/sa-amsat-symposium (SARL)

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ON THE AIR: VO1AA SPECIAL EVENT TO CELEBRATE MARCONI BIRTHDAY

On the air, the Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs will be celebrating the birthday of inventor Guglielmo Marconi. This, by operating station VO1AA on Wednesday, April 25th and welcoming some special guest at the same time.

The club plans on making an amateur eadio contact with Princess Elettra Marconi who will be in Bologna, Italy to celebrate her father's birthday. On this side of the Atlantic it is planned to have the Canadian Heritage Minister, the City of St. John's Mayor along with the Newfoundland Lieutenant Governor, exchange greetings with the Princess via amateur radio from VO1AA which will be located at the Cabot Tower.

This is the first time that this event has been attempted. As such, it is anticipated that it may attain a high level media exposure for amateur radio in Canada and possibly in Italy as well. Marconi received the first wireless signal at Signal Hill, Newfoundland. (VO1DTM/VO1DM)

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In DX, word that ON4CIT is reporting that a DXpedition to Togo will take place at the end of 2012 or the beginning of 2013. The callsign mentioned is 5V7TH. The exact dates are still to be determined. More as new information is made available.

OH1VR will be operational portable SV9 from Crete between April 21st and the 28th. OH1VR along with OH1ZAA will then be on the air portable VP9 from Bermuda between May 7th and the 13th. Activity for both operations will be on the HF bands and 6 meters, and using CW and SSB. QSL via their respective home callsigns.

Members of the Polish Amateur Radio Club Flora Fauna are active as HF-87-WARD through April 30th. This to celebrate the World Amateur

Radio Day and the 87th anniversary of the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union. QSL electronically via eQSL.cc and W-F-F LogSerach.

ZL1DD is now active as XU7AEL from the XU7AAA Rental Shack in Cambodia. He should be at that location through at least April 21st. Operation is on 80 through 6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

VE2XB will be on the air as V-31-X-B from Caye Caulker Island, Belize, between May 11th and the 31st. His activity will be on all High Frequency bands, as well as 6 meters. Modes mentioned are CW and SSB using an Elecraft K3 into a Hexbeam. QSL via VE2XB as listed on QRZ.com.

Lastly, ON4CIT and ON4BEC will be active as TO3X from St Barthelemy through April 30th. They will be using 40 through 6 meters on SSB and RTTY with some CW. QSL via ON4CIT, direct, via the bureau, or electronically using Logbook of the World

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: JAPAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY PLANS SPACE ELEVATOR

And finally this week, while it might the stuff of science fiction dreams are made ofr, a Japanese construction company has announced that it will have built a working space elevator by 2050. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with this glimpse into the future:

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Imagine putting a microsat under your arm, taking it on an elevator ride to a geostationary on-orbit outpost and eventually hsving it tossed into space. Such might be the case in about 40 to 50 years if the plans of a Japan-based construction company come to pass,

According to the The Daily Yomiuri newspaper, the company known as Obayashi Corporation has announced it will build a kind of space elevator by the year 2050. One that will be capable of shuttling passengers and supplies 36,000 kilometers above the Earth.

The company plans to use carbon nanontubes, which are said to be 20 times stronger than steel, to produce the cables required for the elevator. Those cables will be stretched to a counterweight 96,000 kilometers above our planet. Thats about one-fourth of the distance between the Earth and the moon.

An Obayashi official told the newspaper that the terminal station to be located 36,000 kilometers above Earth, will be reached by cars that can carry 30 people and travel at 200 kilometers per hour.

He adds that at this moment, the company cannot estimate the cost for the project. However, they will try to make steady progress so that it won't end just up as simply a dream.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Heather Butera-Howell. KB3TZD, looking at the future from near Burwick, Pennsylvania.

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The Obayashi spokesperson could not estimate the cost the cost of the project but did admit that it will be high. And whether this project can actually become a reality is up for discussion for at least the time being. (Yomiuri News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, TWIT-TV, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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587. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 20 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-20 11:09:34 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c92a8c66d47a04be1a52b4@google.com>
Source record: 3104
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB0CMS to be active on International Marconi Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ijsj3KbXA5c/gb0cms_to_be_active_on_international_marconi_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Norfolk's radio hams will once again be trying to contact other amateurs around the world from Caister as part of the International Marconi Day celebrations

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Solar CME and flares kill upper HF bands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rj3sDe9gseo/solar_cme_and_flares_kill_upper_hf_bands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The last couple of days have shown both the good and the bad sides of increasing solar activity, says Steve G0KYA

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AMSAT-UK on Satellites for World Amateur Radio Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9oz05weR_FM/amsat_uk_on_satellites_for_world_amateur_radio_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of AMSAT-UK operated on the amateur radio satellites from the RSGB National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day on Wednesday, April 18, 2012

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Alan Turing papers on code breaking released by GCHQ

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pmD52GCA85k/alan_turing_papers_on_code_breaking_released_by_gchq.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

BBC News reports that two 70-year-old papers by Alan Turing on the theory of code breaking have been released by the government's communications headquarters, GCHQ

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ITAR in ARRL Executive Committee Minutes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QMldrvfy-sg/itar_in_arrl_executive_committee_minutes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The minutes of the ARRL Executive Committee make reference to the ITAR regulations. These put US radio amateurs under threat of jail terms or six figure fines if they even talk about certain aspects of their hobby

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Istituto Comprensivo di Calolziocorte - Scuola Media, Calolziocorte, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bxmndU2WfWo/ariss_event_2404.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Istituto Comprensivo di Calolziocorte - Scuola Media, Calolziocorte, Italy on 24 Apr

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New RSGB FAQ Page

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TlMu3BtHrYo/new_rsgb_faq_page.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB website now has a new Frequently Asked Questions page

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RSGB Media Pack

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SjMKKf0vPQY/rsgb_media_pack.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has made available a media pack for use by special event stations presenting Amateur Radio to the general public

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International Marconi Day event station GB8MD at Twywn, North Wales

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HUsMfeGE5kc/gb8md_at_twywn.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On April 21st Telford and District Amateur Radio Society will be running a memorial radio station, GB8MD, on the Welsh coast at Tywyn, Gwynedd as part of 50 official worldwide radio stations commemorating of the birth of Gugliemo Marconi on 25th April 1874

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8vxhKdiE2RM/propagation_forecast_17.htm

?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-17
has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 20, 2012, valid 0000 UTC
Saturday April 21, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 27, 2012

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Special Event station VX3W

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3zSmk4yugMk/vx3w_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Manotick Amateur Radio Group will be operating special event
station VX3W from Fort Wellington in Prescott, Ontario, on Saturday, May
19th to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the War of 1812

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

588. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 20 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-20 16:43:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410abd0ded404be1efd94@google.com>
Source record: 3105
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Iota as-146 weihai china ham (jiming island)

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 08:19 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343077-Iota-as-146-weihai-china-ham-(jiming-island)&goto=newpost

IOTA AS146 WEIHAI CHINAHAM (JIMING ISLAND)

We are sorry to inform;

Date; April 23 (UTC04; 00) in 2012 ----- May 3 2012, (UTC07; 00).

Changed; Date; April 26 (UTC04; 00) in 2012 ----- May 3, 2012, (UTC07; 00).

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April 20 2012.

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Radio on the Square Bonham, TX Heritage Days

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 07:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343066-Radio-on-the-Square-Bonham-TX-Heritage-Days&goto=newpost

The Fannin County Amateur Radio Club, K5FRC, will be running a Special
Events Station on

May 5, 2012 during Bonham's Heritage Day celebration. We will be listening
on 14.295 MHZ

and 7.190 MHZ from 1400Z to 0001Z. QSL card will be sent with SASE to
KE5WDI. Use QRZ

address information. If you are in North Texas area, feel free to drop by.
We will be monitoring

our repeater on 145.130 MHZ with negative offset and no tone.

KE5WDI

Danny Loyd

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W4C Special Event Station - Earth Day Festival - Monday April 23

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 07:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343017-W4C-Special-Event-Station-Earth-Day-Festival-Monday-April-23&goto=newpost

Clemson University ARC, in conjunction with Students for Environmental Action's Earth Day Festival, will be operating portable from Lever Beach on Clemson's campus on Monday, from 1800-2300Z, somewhere on 20/15/10m depending on band conditions. Operating under special event call W4C.

Still attempting to figure out how to play up the eco-friendly side of ham radio, excepting the possibility of running portable solar, if we run into a briefcase of money somewhere to buy a panel.

If you're in the area and want to stop by, here is the Facebook event page with more detail:

https://www.facebook.com/events/397747510253025

Or if you'd like to friend the club on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/CUARC

And apologies to those of you who may have contacted us in the last couple months and are still waiting on QSL cards, we will have those out soon. School got crazy for a while there, somehow its getting more reasonable as we get to the end of the semester.

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Attached Images

earthdayQSL.jpg
(104.0 KB)

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109 Special Event Station's - RP67 "Pobeda-67"

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 07:24 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343015-109-Special-Event-Station-s-RP67-quot-Pobeda-67-quot&goto=newpost

During from 08:00 UTC on May, 5th till UTC on May, 9th will pass the Memorial "The Victory-67", organized SRR at support of edition of magazine " Radio ".

For carrying out of QSO(SWL) with memorial radio stations of Russia and other countries the award «POBEDA - 67» will stand out. The award free-of-charge. On HF it is necessary to type 67 points (QSO - 2 points) for QSO with various memorial radio stations. Addresses for sending electronic reports and applications for the award: pobeda (AT) srr.ru or memorial_pobeda (AT) mail.ru

The list of 109 call's memorials "Pobeda-67":
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?optio...156&Itemid=103

589. eHam.net News for Friday 20 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-20 22:20:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403c71d247204be23b149@google.com>
Source record: 3106
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eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Prepared to Communicate in Emergency Situations:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28146

Wood County officials plan to be ready. "Listen, Act and Live" is the theme for the 2012 Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness week, which runs through Friday. At 1 p.m. today, Tornado Awareness Day, a mock tornado watch (a watch means conditions are right for a tornado to form) will be followed by a mock tornado warning (a warning means a tornado has been reported or Doppler radar indicates one is possible) starting at 1:45 p.m. in Wood County. Being prepared ensures everything -- and every person -- will be ready to take action, emergency officials say.

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Ham Station Debut Music to Radio Fans' Ears:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28145

Young geeks and amateur radio enthusiasts in the state capital can now explore the exciting world of ham radio. National Institute of Amateur Radio (Niar), Hyderabad, on Wednesday joined hands with Prof G.P. Sinha Centre for Disaster Management and Rural Development, Patna for setting up a ham radio station at Rajendra Nagar as a pilot project sponsored by the Union ministry of information and technology. Derived from the initial letters of three pioneers of the radio ' Hertz, Armstrong and Marconi ' ham is used to describe an amateur radio operator who facilitates communication using radio waves. Ham radio is widely taken up by individuals above 12 years across the globe as hobby and a communication equip-ment during emergency.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #16:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28144

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28143

This Week in Radiosport:

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Get Ready for ARRL EXPO at the Dayton Hamvention:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28142

The ARRL has finalized its planning to bring its large exhibition -- ARRL EXPO -- to Dayton Hamvention, May 18-20. The ARRL EXPO has been a mainstay at Hamvention since 2005, serving as the centerpiece for most of the League's activities at the country's largest Amateur Radio convention.

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Iowa Hams Help Local and NWS Officials Before, After Tornado:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:31 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28141

On April
14, a string of tornados swept through the Central US and Great Lakes Region, including an EF2 tornado in Creston, Iowa, causing severe damage to the Greater Regional Medical Center and the Southwestern Community College campus.

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Amateurs Must Protect New Radar in 23 cm Band:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28140

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is
deploying a new generation of Common Air Route Surveillance Radar (CARSR) that has some implications for the use of the 1240-1300 MHz (23 cm) band by amateurs.

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Changes Permit More Field Checking of DXCC Cards:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28139

Acting on a recommendation by ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, the ARRL's Programs and Services Committee (PSC), adopted new rules for ARRL field card checkers.

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Register Your ARRL Field Day Site on The Field Day Locator:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28138

First introduced in 2008, the ARRL's Field Day Station Locator
Service has proved a popular
addition to the Field Day toolbox. This service -- an interactive map
that helps amateurs or those interested in Amateur Radio find a Field
Day site near them -- is free
to clubs or individuals who will be operating public Field Day
stations. Stations can also be listed by state or province.

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Applications for Teachers Institute and ETP Grant Applications Due Soon:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:31 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28137

Thinking about using Amateur Radio and wireless technology in your
classroom to help facilitate hands-on learning opportunities? The
ARRL's Education and Technology Program offers two programs that can help
make this happen, but the deadline to apply is fast approaching:

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Digital QST: Coming Soon to a Computer Near You!

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:25 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28136

The new digital edition of QST will debut toward the end of May. If
you are an ARRL member and you haven't yet signed up to be notified
automatically when the digital edition becomes available, you can do so
easily.

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ITU Telecom World 2012 Conference Seeking Participants for Young Innovators

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:26 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28135

As part of ITU Telecom World 2012 -- scheduled for October 14-18 in
Dubai -- the conference will present the Young Innovators Program. With
its theme of Youth Innovation for Development, the Young Innovators
Competition is a chance for the next generation of young visionaries to
demonstrate their ideas and innovations on this global stage and show
how their fresh digital thinking can change the world for the better.

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ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference Set for Atlanta:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:26 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28134

The dates have been set -- September 21-23 -- for the 31st Annual
ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC) in Atlanta at the
Sheraton Gateway Hotel.

The DCC schedule includes forums, demonstrations, a Saturday evening banquet and an in-depth Sunday seminar. This conference is for everyone with an interest in digital communications -- from beginner to expert. Technical papers are also being solicited for the conference proceedings. You do not have to attend the conference to have your paper included.

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ARNewsline Report 1810 -- Apr 20 2012:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28133

The following is a QST. A new report released by a ham in Germany highlights various radar sources that could interfere with amateur radio; the Sun shows its might again as a major eruption hits the North-East limb; amateur radio responds to tornado devastation in the central U-S; Scouting gets its own IRLP Topic Channel and Riley is coming to CQ Magazine. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1810 coming your way right now.

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Live Web Broadcast of Hamvention:

Posted: 18 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28132

This will be our 10 th year to broadcast
Dayton. Our viewers have grown to about
50,000 in over 150 countries during the last
Hamvention broadcast.

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NZ4O Condensed HF RX Prop Fcst #2012-17:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28125

The NZ4O
MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-17 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 20, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday April 21, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 27, 2012.

590. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-24E - New Deputy Director Ontario North/East

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-20 23:15:32 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4F91EDBC.6060301@rac.ca>
Source record: 3107
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-24E - New Deputy Director Ontario North/East
2012-04-20

I am pleased to announce that Glenn MacDonell, VE3XRA of Ottawa has agreed to become the new Deputy Director for Radio Amateurs of Canada, North East Ontario Region.

He obtained his Basic Amateur certificate with honours in 2008 and obtained his Advanced Amateur certification in 2009. He has been interested in Amateur Radio since the late 1950's and participating in a couple of Field Days with the Kingston ARC in the early 1960's.

Once Glenn obtained his license he joined several Ottawa clubs and started to take a leadership role in the Ottawa ARC. In 2011 he was elected president, a position he continues to hold. He led the team that made presentations the Ottawa city council regarding amateur radio exemptions from the municipal public consultation process for antenna systems which was completed successfully in March 2012.

Glenn enjoys operating on the bands from 160 m to 70 cm using various modes of communications. He participates in public service, assisting in the Canadian Ski Marathon 2010, 11, 12, and as net control on local HF and VHF (SSB) nets. He also dabbles on microwave bands from 2.4GHz to 24 GHz during ARRL VHF and microwave contests.

During his working career he was employed by the Federal Government in various departments as diverse as Environment to Foreign Affairs. He was also an advisor on industrial development and international cooperation related to Canada's space program (Space Station, RADARSAT 1 and RADARSAT 2, space science and satellite telecommunications).

Glenn will bring administration, innovation and management skills to RAC and I am looking forward to working with him as part of the North'East Ontario team.

Glenn can be reached via email at ve3xra@rac.ca

Bill Unger VE3XT
North East Ontario Regional Director
Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec

RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

591. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 21 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-21 06:15:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d2e83dc7904be2a55d3@google.com>
Source record: 3108
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Near-fest, Deerfield NH, May 4 + 5

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 04:19 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343039-Near-fest-Deerfield-NH-May-4-5&goto=newpost

NEAR-Fest XI

Friday May 4th and Saturday May 5th 2012

0900 Friday through 1500 Saturday Deerfield Fairgrounds - Deerfield NH, USA

http://near-fest.com/

When at my table, but high, when I'm at your table, sell low! ;)

~N1VAU

592. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 21 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-21 11:08:14 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <005045016f1debf3d104be2e6a6f@google.com>
Source record: 3109
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Use of Amateur Radio Frequencies by Olympic and Paralympic Games

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/a-XTKRrom7s/use_of_amateur_frequencies_by_olympic_and_paralympic_games.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Olympic and Paralympic Games will be using almost half of the 430 MHz amateur radio band as well as segments of 2.3 GHz and 3.4 GHz during the period June 28 to September 23

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Flabob Airport students talk to Space Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SJCwQikJvnI/flabob_airport_students_talk_to_space_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It was 13 months of preparation for 10 minutes of conversation - but what a conversation

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Rubber chicken flies into solar radiation storm

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0Lf-sTXqwqI/rubber_chicken_flies_into_solar_radiation_storm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

High school students in Bishop, CA, launched a rubber chicken during an intense radiation storm

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New Deputy Director Ontario North/East

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yh8u5L9Z4zQ/new_deputy_director_ontario_north_east.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Glenn MacDonell, VE3XRA of Ottawa has agreed to become the new Deputy Director for Radio Amateurs of Canada, North East Ontario Region

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vmK4eDLvIJY/april_21.htm?utm_source=fee

dburner&utm_medium=email

As promised in the ARRL Letter, this week's bulletin features a report on
recent solar activity and solar cycle progression from Carl Leuetzelschwab,
K9LA

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The Lyrid Meteor Shower

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u-ZyTCVdwcU/lyrid_meteor_shower.htm?utm
_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The annual Lyrid meteor shower peaks this weekend on the night of April
21-22 when Earth passes through a stream of debris from ancient Comet
Thatcher

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W5KUB live webcast from the Dayton Hamvention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/T2sis9BN2to/hamvention_broadcast.htm?ut
m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There's now only about 4 weeks to go before the Dayton Hamvention opens its
doors once again, but one radio ham is already busy preparing for it

593. SARL News in English 21/4/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-21 18:16:33 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <64133C59B8354A13B3F95D0D8970647A@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3110
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 22 APRIL 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

RASSIE ERASMUS ZS1YT NEW SARL PRESIDENT

ANNUAL AWARDS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other items.

RASSIE ERASMUS, ZS1YT, NEW SARL PRESIDENT

Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT, was elected as SARL President. In his address at the annual dinner held last night he said that his objective for his year of office is "Together we will achieve more for amateur radio."

He said "I believe that clubs should become more active in the SARL and its national activities and, on the flip side, the SARL must be more engaged with clubs. The old clich&#65533; of "unity is strength" could not be more true today than ever before. While we achieve successes at international level, we need to work harder at successes at national level. We need to work better together, communicate more with each other. Clubs and the SARL need to support each other to grow and expand. The IARU's international voice is only strengthened by national members and societies.

"I urge each club to affiliate with the SARL and appoint a liaison officer to strengthen the communications channel. Communications must be two way and that is the important role of a liaison officer at every club. Communicate to the SARL what is happening at club level and how the SARL can add more value. It should also be the task of the liaison

officer to ensure that the SARL communication channels reach club members by including information in local bulletins, at club meetings and at club committee meetings."

W have now heard what Rassie's goal is, Let u's unanimously support him to achieve it.

Rassie, strength and good wishes.

MOTIONS AND DISCUSSIONS AT THE AGM

The results in respect of motions and discussions at the AGM will be included in next week's SARLNEWS.

ANNUAL AWARDS

Here follows some good news for a number of radio amateurs.

Awards were presented at last night's AGM Award Dinner as follows:

Honorary Life Membership, the SARL's highest honour to: Francois Botha, ZS6BUU Dennis Green, ZS4BS

Willie Wilson Gold Badge for exceptional and meritorious service to the League to: Dick Stratford, ZS6RO Tjerk Lammers, ZS6P

Jack Twine Merit Award to Amateurs who, in the opinion of their fellow amateurs and the League's Council, exemplify the qualities desirable in a Radioamateur,to: David Cloete, ZR6AOC Dawie Conradie, ZR6DHC Anthony Forteath, ZS2BQ Geoffrey Levey, ZS6GRL Romeo Nardini, ZS6ARQ Theunis Potgieter, ZS2EC Nico van Rensburg, ZS6QL Phillip van Tonder, ZS6PVT Willem Weideman, ZS6WWJ

President's Award to: Riaan Greeff, ZS4PR Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ

Icom Excellence Award, the "premier" award of the SARL to: The 7P8EME team

Operating Awards.

Arthur Hemsley 2 metre Trophy to a Radio Amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the 2 metre amateur band, to: Andre Pretorius, V51B and Nazir Gesant, ZS1NAZ

Barney Joel Trophy to any member of the SARL for the best performance during the year whilst working HF mobile to: Alan TerBlanche, ZS6EXT

Joseph White Plaque for exceptional achievements in the 432 MHz band during the past year, not for the longest distance worked, but for all round achievements to: Derek Gravett, ZS5Y

Bert Buckley Six metre Trophy to any radio amateur for his/her individual achievements with transmissions in the six metre amateur band, not for the longest distance worked but for outstanding work or

activity on six metres to: Lynette Human, ZR6LHT/ 7P8LHT

Radio ZS Two Metre Floating Trophy to the amateur who achieved the longest distance on the 2 metre band during the year, to: Alan Saul, ZS1LS

Then, the Radio ZS Awards:

Radio ZS Shield. Awarded by the Editor of Radio ZS to a SARL affiliated Club or member who best supported Radio ZS during the year, to: Henry Chamberlain, ZS1AAZ Karl Canitz, ZS1KC Ren van Zyl, ZS1VR Hans Nothling, ZS1WZ

JJ Pienaar Trophy for the best article published in Radio ZS during the past year to: Pieter Human, ZS6PA

Gary Immelman RA Heritage Floating Trophy for the best article of an historic nature of an event that occurred more than 5 years previously or an interesting personality that has played an important part in the development of Amateur Radio in years gone by to: Vidi la Grange, ZS1EL

Contest awards.

Silent Keys Memorial Trophy SSB to the amateur who achieved the highest score during the annual HF Phone Contest to: Quartus de Witt, ZS6EE

Silent Keys Memorial Trophy CW to the amateur who achieved the highest score during the annual HF CW Contest to: Roger Jones, ZS6RJ

Joseph White Trophy to the amateur who achieved the highest score on any one band, during the annual HF Phone Contest to: Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A

Fred Mills Trophy for the highest score of a contestant who has never won a SARL contest before to: Geoffrey Levey, ZS6GRL

Anon Trophy to the amateur who achieved the highest score on any one band, during the annual HF CW Contest to: Bruce Dunn, ZS5XT

HOS Trough to the amateur who achieved the highest aggregate score in both annual HF Contests to: Hans Kappetijn, ZS6KR

The Club Participation Award (Branch Participant Trophy) for the Club who achieved the highest participation in both annual HF CW and Phone Contests to: West Rand ARC

The "Ray Webber, ZS6RSW" VHF/UHF Trophy to the amateur/club who achieved the highest score during the annual SARL VHF/UHF Contest to: Andre Botes, ZS2ACP

The SARL 80 m Club Contest Trophy to the amateur radio club who achieved the highest score in the six SARL 80 m club contests to: West Rand ARC

The Hamnet Shield for an individual or group for excellent service in a particular area to the community, the authorities and to Hamnet in particular for instance cooperation with disaster relief organisations and enthusiastic provision of emergency communications to: Dave Reece, ZS1DFR

RAE Awards.

An Arland Ussher Gold Pen for the highest marks in the two RAEs to: Duberette Labuschagne, ZS6DUB Jonathan Woodburne, ZS3JW

Then, the Boland Club presented an Icom dual band handheld to the best class B student, Karel Bezuidenhout, ZU6KB, who scored 98% in the RAE Exam last year.

Congratulations to all of you and we look forward to keen competition for next year's awards.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity remains at low levels. There are presently five visible sunspot groups with a sixth region forming. The past couple of days have shown a sharp increase in visible sunspots when compared to just last week.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 62.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

27 April - Last day to enrol for the May RAE. 28 April - West Rand Amateur Radio Club next flea market at 12:00. 12 May, SA AMSAT space symposium; visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and registration.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 570, was 17 760, kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230, was 4 895, kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

594. eHam.net News for Saturday 21 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-21 22:18:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357c7c1b0d004be37c7a3@google.com>
Source record: 3111
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Frequencies Tuned to Hamfest 2012:

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 06:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28149

Amateur radio enthusiasts swarming Georgetown this weekend: GEORGETOWN, DEL. -- This Saturday, radio enthusiasts will descend on Georgetown for the Delmarva Amateur Radio and Electronics EXPO at Sussex Technical High School for a full day of information, camaraderie, shopping and fun. Sponsored by the Sussex Amateur Radio Association, the event is a one-of-a-kind, all-inclusive event that aims to please everyone from novice to expert. This year's expo aims to do the same. Hamfest Chairman Bill Duvenkeck said that the event will draw 300 to 600 people from all over the region. And, while a lot of these people won't seem much like amateurs, novices shouldn't shy away from the event. "We have a lot of vendors, especially commercial vendors," Duvenkeck said. "And, we expanded the number of commercial vendors this year so that people who come can buy everything they need for their enjoyment of electronics." If new electronics doesn't fit a recession-era budget, there is also a flea market area for people to buy, sell, and trade used items. It's also where most of the meeting and talking takes place.

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TeleTweet for iOS Uses Morse Code to Turn Tweets into Telegrams:

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 05:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28148

[prMac.com] Honolulu, Hawaii - Shacked Software, Hawaii's leading developer of iPhone and iPad apps, today announced the release of TeleTweet, an all-new mobile app that allows iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch users to send and receive Twitter messages via Morse code. TeleTweet is now available in Apple's App Store. Designed to preserve the look, feel, and sound of classic telegraph keys, TeleTweet integrates with Twitter to give users the nostalgic feeling of sending or receiving a telegram in Morse code. As messages are tapped on the realistic telegraph key, they are automatically translated into letters and numbers and published to your Twitter stream for your followers to read. For people you follow on Twitter, TeleTweet translates their messages into Morse code and prints them via an authentic 1869 Thomas Edison Ticker Tape Machine, as if you were receiving actual telegrams.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #16 de K7RA:

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28147

As promised in the ARRL Letter, this week's bulletin features a
report on recent solar activity and solar cycle progression from
Carl Leuetzelschwab, K9LA.

595. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1335074401@panix.com>
Source record: 3112
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

596. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1335074700@panix.com>
Source record: 3113
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

597. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 22 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 06:28:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9bf52a397a04be3ea21c@google.com>
Source record: 3114
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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May 12 2012 East Greenbush NY EGARA Hamfest

Posted: 21 Apr 2012 05:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343194-May-12-2012-East-Greenbush-NY-EGARA-Hamfest&goto=newpost

May 12 2012 EGARA Hamfest, hope to see many people there.

05/12/2012 Start Date: 05/12/2012

End Date: 05/12/2012

Location: East Greenbush Fire Department

68 Phillips Road

Rensselaer, NY 12144

Website: http://www.w2egb.org

Sponsor: East Greenbush Amateur Radio Association

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.270 (PL 94.8)

Public Contact: Thomas Scorsone , KC2FCP

1310 10th Avenue Watervliet, NY 12189

Phone: 518-272-1494

Email: kc2fcp@nycap.rr.com

Look for the signs that I will put up pointing the way. :) -->

73 de K2HAT Lee

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Kansas City, Missouri - Ararat Shrine Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 04:15 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343139-Kansas-City-Missouri-Ararat-Shrine-Amateur-Radio-Club&goto=newpost

Annual Shriner's hamfest. Ararat Shrine Temple; 5100 Ararat Drive; Kansas City. 8AM to 2PM Saturday April 21. Emergency vehicle display, seminars, VE Exams, commercial vendors and swap tables. Free parking and snack bar. For details go to www.hambash.com. Talk-in 145.130-. Come have fun; smiles are free. :D

598. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 22 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 11:07:20 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba1791ce7e304be4286b0@google.com>
Source record: 3115
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Caister Marconi radio station contacts 40 countries

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4LP6wOw_-24/caister_marconi_radio_station_contacts_40_countries.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio hams at the Caister Lifeboat Visitor Centre in Norfolk managed to
contact 480 other radio amateurs in 40 different countries on Saturday 21
April when they took part in the annual International Marconi Day to mark
the inventor's birthday

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Ham Radio operators provide valuable service when severe weather strikes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wVDAstlKYjY/ham_radio_operators_provide_valuable_service.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Station KJAN reports on the amateur radio operators who helped out when
tornadoes hit the Central US

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Win a Rigger HT Stand from AmateurRadio.com

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2Y3QUgzPuHM/win_a_rigger_ht_stand.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AmateurRadio.com and Gary, N5BI, have teamed up to give away a Rigger HT
Stand

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Live webstream of upcoming ARISS contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/utVvPTS9NBg/ariss_event_webcast_2404.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Tuesday April 24, 2012 at approximately 13.32 UTC, which is 15.32 CEST,
an ARISS contact is planned for Istituto Comprensivo di Calolziocorte,
Italy. The contact is expected to be conducted in English

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oBTOJrPMZeM/april_22.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity remains at low levels. There are presently five visible sunspot groups with a sixth region forming

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Sponsor plaques fitted at National Radio Centre

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VRnaeR8WVVQ/sponsor_plaques_fitted_at_national_radio_centre.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sponsor plaques have now been fitted in the reception to the RSGB National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park

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Radio hams to visit 'Easy Elsie'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KlO5DmBd8TM/radio_hams_to_visit_easy_elsie.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Richard, SM2TOS, and some other operators will be active as SE2EE (not SG2SNF as first announced) from Porjus between June 16-17th. Activity will be from the Lancaster bomber 'Easy Elsie', which crashed at Porjus in Sweden on October 29th, 1944

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AmateurLogic.TV 38: D-Star, Echolink, Audio and Baluns

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/90EzH0OYSYY/amateurlogic_tv_38.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Getting started with D-Star. Echolink troubleshooting. Pre-processing audio. Solving RFI with the Ugly Balun. Viewer email, announcements, and contest winner

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Owen Garriott, W5LFL and mission STS-9

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8ZxxV7QO5B8/owen_garriott_sts9_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An old video of astronaut Owen Garriott, W5LFL and mission STS-9 made by the ARRL, has been released on the MrQRZDx channel on youtube

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Schedule of AMSAT activities at Dayton Hamvention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cPqrZDAZjic/schedule_of_amsat_activitie

s_at_dayton_hamvention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Here are the daily AMSAT activities at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention!

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Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT new SARL President

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mBYcx_b_9qY/rassie_erasmus_zs1yt_new_sarl_president.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT, was elected as the South African Radio League (SARL) President. In his address at the annual dinner held last night he said that his objective for his year of office is "Together we will achieve more for amateur radio."

599. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 22 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 16:04:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f6465d15c5efd04be46aeb3@google.com>
Source record: 3116
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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V55V DXpedition Video - Namibia 2012 - CQ WW WPX Phone Contest

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 10:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343093-V55V-DXpedition-Video-Namibia-2012-CQ-WW-WPX-Phone-Contest&goto=newpost

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Namibia is a country far south from the main communication paths in a
contest. However, it is not interesting only as a DX, but impressive by its
beauty and a very natural character. Operators of a German crew kept
something of this beauty on their cameras. See the video on YouTube.

73 Suad, DK6XZ

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1810 April 20 2012

Posted: 19 Apr 2012 10:43 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343024-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1810--April-20-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1810 ☐ April 20 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1810 with a release date of April
20th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. A new report released by a ham in Germany
highlights various radar sources that could interfere with amateur radio;
the Sun shows its might again as a major eruption hits the North-East limb;
amateur radio responds to tornado devastation in the central U-S; Scouting
gets its own IRLP Topic Channel and Riley is coming to CQ Magazine. Find
out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1810 coming
your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW OTH RADAR REPORT RELEASED BY DK20M

A new paper released by a ham in Germany may shed some light on sources of interference on the ham bands caused by radar systems world-wide. Jim Davis, W2JKD, has more:

600. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 22 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 16:31:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ca3b2a89804be470e15@google.com>
Source record: 3117
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Somaliland 6O3A

Posted: 21 Apr 2012 11:19 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343248-Somaliland-6O3A&goto=newpost

J28AA / E70A will be active from Somaliland again 25-30 May 2012 as 6O3A

Count for DXCC as Somalia

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...and_6o3a_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

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Iota as146 weihai china ham (jiming island)

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 02:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343032-Iota-as146-weihai-china-ham-(jiming-island)&goto=newpost

IOTA AS146 WEIHAI CHINA HAM (JIMING ISLAND)

Date; April 23 (UTC04; 00) in 2012 ----- May 3 2012, (UTC07; 00).

Operator; ***BD4KYA / 4 (SSB) ***BD4KRB / 4 (CW)***BG4KLA / 4 (SSB)

TX/RX;***TS-590S *** TS-480HX *** FT-897D

ATN; 14-50mhzHVD 7mhzGP 3mhz Vertical+ATU

QTH; NO1-CW NO2-SSB FROM JIMING ISLAND

Note; landing and withdrawal of the island according to local weather, pay attention to the concern

QSL;BD4KYA/4 Direct or Bureau

QSL'BG4KLA/4 Direct or Bureau

QSL;BD4KRB/4 Direct or NO Bureau

Note; the Bureau takes a long time.

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601. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 22nd April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120422200002.E2EF133C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3118
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 22nd April 2012

IRTS AGM & Rally 2012

Today we celebrate the 80th year of the foundation of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society. This takes the form of the traditional radio rally and in the afternoon approximately 14.30 we have the annual general meeting at the Fairways Hotel in Dundalk, hosted by the Dundalk Amateur Radio Society. Today is a milestone and an important day in the life of the Society which represents the interests of Amateur Radio Operators both at home and to the International Amateur Radio Union. Thank you for being part of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society.

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The examination may be held on that day at other centres where warranted by the number of candidates. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

HAMCON

The Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference - brought to you by West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club, Technology Education Centre, 2 Spillers Place, Omagh. Lectures/Seminars, Demonstrations, Special Interest Groups, Trade Stands, National Societies, Disabled Facilities, Door Prizes, Raffle, Catering. The event this year takes place 16th June 2012.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

For those who have expressed interest in participating in Theory Classes leading to the Amateur Radio Licence with South Eastern Amateur Radio Group, there will be an information / planning session at our next general meeting which takes place at 8:30 p.m. on Monday 30 April in the Roanmore Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All are welcome!

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May. South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. The callsign is EI2GEO (pending approval). Activity will mainly be on HF. Anyone wishing to get involved should contact the club on info/ at/searg.com or phone Mark Wall on 087-6302026. For more information about the Geopark, visit www.coppercoastgeopark.com

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ARACE

(F4KIR) is an amateur radio association located in Saint Malo, France. The Tall Ships Race (TSR) is the biggest European sailing event and will be organized in Saint Malo next July.

In celebration of the event a special call will be activated from 29 June to 9 July from Saint Malo with special QSL and award. The website address is www.arace.fr.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is pleased to announce confirmation of their annual rally, to be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork. Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free, as per usual). Raffle tickets will also be available at the door. The usual traders will be present, and anyone wishing to reserve a table, or would be interested in setting up a stall, should contact Edwin Van Mierlo (EI2HEB) on 086 3885741 or via email at ei2heb /at/ ei1nc.com. More details will be available in the coming months.

DX News

Six Australian operators from the Oceania DX Group will be QRV from Vanuatu in the Pacific. Callsign will be YJ0VK and dates of the DXpedition are 21 April until 5 May. It is expected that 3 stations will be active on the HF bands. QSL manager is VK2CA.

Franck F4DTO and Patrick F4GFE will air the callsign ZA100I (ZA one hundred I) during a trip to Albania. They start on 22 April and will QRT on 29 April.

Seppo OH1VR returns to Crete on holiday and will be active as SV9/OH1VR until 28 April. QSLs go via the home call.

Larry W6NWS has been QRV recently as XV2W from Vietnam. He will be there until 12 June. QSLs are via his home call and QSOs are usually uploaded to Logbook of the World on a daily basis.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

602. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1059

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 20:45:16 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <385809.89586.qm@smtp109.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3119
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-April, through Sunday, 22nd-April there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VK9X, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS (AF-049). Mart, DL6UAA, will once again be back on Mauritius as 3B8MM, but the length of his stay is unknown at this time. Activity is usually on 160-10 meters using mostly CW. Some SSB and Digital will be possible. QSL via DL6UAA, by the Bureau or direct.

4J, AZERBAIJAN (Special Event). The Ministry of Communications of Azerbaijan has approved the uses of the following special callsigns dedicated to and during the "Eurovision Song Contest" between April 15th and June 15th. Look for the special callsigns listed below using the suffixes SONG or S0NG:

Individual or Special Club Callsign	Individual or Special Callsign	Club Callsign	Callsign
Safari Club/4J4K	4JS0NG	Oktay/4J7A	4J7SONG
Gen. Aslanov Morita/4JR0HYT	4JR0SONG		
Club/4K7Z	4KS0NG	Andrey/4K6DI	4J1SONG
Leonid/4K8F	4K2012SONG	Mehdi/4J7FM	4K1SONG
Serqey/4J5A	4J12SONG	Rashad/4J9M	4J9SONG
Vladimir/4K9W	4K9SONG	Asif/4K6AL	4K4SONG
Boris/4K4K	4K12SONG	Mixail/4K8M	4K8SONG
Vladimir/4K6C	4K6SONG	Denis/4J9NM	4J4SONG
Natig/4J5T	4J5SONG		

5X, UGANDA. Freddy, F5IRO, is expected to be here on a work assignment starting early May through June (exact days are not yet known). With the help of David, 5X1D (KH9AE), and some others, he is hoping to get a license during the first week of his arrival. On his arrival Freddy plans on setting up his Elecraft K3 and DIY antennas, probably verticals or dipoles, space permitting at the location. Activity will be on CW on the upper HF bands, especially on 10 MHz in the evening (5X = GMT + 3) and possibly some PSK operations. Watch the DXClusters for spots. QSL is via Michel, F8DFP, by the French Cureau or direct (w/SAE and IRC). For more updates and info, watch Freddy's Blog page at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

6O, SOMALIA. Andy, RN3AKK, reports that Darko, J28AA/E70A, will once again be active as 6O3A from Hargeisa between May 25-31st. Activity will be on SSB, RTTY and 50 MHz. QSL via K2PF. For possible updates (under news), online log, and pictures, check out the Bosnia and Herzegovina Contest Club's Web page [BHCC] at: http://bhcc.ba

6W, SENEGAL (Early Announcement). Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active as 6W1RY during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 17-28th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

9H, MALTA. Dick, DJ2EH, is currently active as 9H3XX from Malta. The length of his stay is not known at this time. Activity this past week has been on 30/17/12/6 meters CW. QSL via DJ2EH.

C6, BAHAMAS (Update to OPDX.1056). MDXC C6AGW PRESS RELEASE #2 (TESTING IN THE RAIN) [edited]: "During the [past] weekend, under the Italian rains (cats and dogs raining, hi), Gabriele, I2VGW, has tested all the antennas and the equipments for his Bahamas round trip. As announced, he plans to be operating as C6AGW starting April 26th through May 6th from Biminis Islands (NA-048) and/or Berry Islands (NA-054) quite rare IOTA references and, of course, also from New Providence and Long Island, Great Bahama Bank (NA-001). Following also the requests of many lighthouses chasers, Gabriele would like to confirm that all these references will be printed on his QSL card. That's meaning: New Providence (main) Island is LH 1115 and NA-001; Long Island is LH 1898 and NA-001; Bimini Island (South) is

LH 2467 and NA-048; and Berry Island (Gr. Stirrup Cay) is LH 1903 and NA-054. We remind you that this new Gabriele adventure will be a holiday style operation. In any case Gabriele, as usual, will give great emphasis to the Digital modes and the WARC bands, but he'll keep in his mind SSB too. He'll take with him his Icom 7200, a Hampole, a KW5 and a Buddipole. For more info and any updates, visit the DXpedition's Web site at: http://www.mdxc.org/c6agw
Gabriele will be supported by the MDXC with an online log, news in real-time, pictures and videos."

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Daniel, ZS6JR, will once again be active as C91JR from the coastal resort of Bilene between April 22nd and May 10th. Activity will be holiday style and operating mostly RTTY or PSK with 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via GI4FUM. Look for more details and updates on: http://www.3da0ss.net

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Al, VE1AWW, is once again active as CY0/VE1AWW as of April 17th, and will be there for the next three months. He is an assigned worker on the island and his schedule is 3 months ON and 3 Months OFF. His activity will be limited to his spare time. Al mentions on QRZ.com, "I need to replace the feedline for the the 40/80m antenna, but up and running on 20/17/15/12/10 and 6m." He was heard this past week on 15 meters SSB - 21336 kHz between 2230-0000z. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

DT12, SOUTH KOREA. Special event station DT12AWC is now active until April 30th. Activity is taking place during the 2012 Asian Weightlifting Championships being held in Pyeongtaek. Activity is expected on 80-10 meters, as well as 6 and 2 meters, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via DS2GOO.

EM350, UKRAINE (Special Event). Look for special event station EM350S to be active between May 1st and June 30th. Activity is to celebrate the 350th anniversary of Ivano-Frankivsk City [1662-2012]. Operations will be on all HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via UW8SM, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW and eQSL.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA (IOTA Op). Pat, F4EBT, will be active as FO/F4EBT between June 1-24th, and plans to activate the following French Polynesia IOTA Islands: Tahiti (OC-046), Moorea (OC-046), Raiatea (OC-067), Huaine (OC-067), Bora-Bora (OC-067) and Maupiti (OC-067). Activity will be holiday style, usually SSB only on 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using a TS-50 w/100 watts into a FD4 Multiband antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct (1 IRC or 2 USDs) or by the Bureau.

GM, SCOTLAND (IOTA/SCOTIA Op!). Andre, GM3VLB, will once again try to activate some of the SCOTIA islands (SCOTtish Island Award) he missed last year in the Orkney IOTA Group (EU-009, SCOTIA OI14). He states, "In the hope of completing what I now call the 'SCOTIA Challenge', which in my own case means activating the last five of the program's 200 islands which I haven't yet activated, I am returning to the Orkney (EU-009) group, arriving there May 21st. I have a return booking on June 7th, but I am

prepared to remain in EU-009 longer, if necessary. Having been dogged by high winds in late summer/early autumn on previous expeditions to the Northern Isles, I am trying the earlier part of 'activating season' this time. The 5 remaining islands are Muckle Green Holm (OI20), Linga Holm (OI21), Eynhallow (OI24), Faray (OI28) and Calf of Eday (OI29). Some are quite difficult to approach and to land on (steep rocky shores) as well as being subject to very strong tidal current (the waters off Eday are in fact the chosen location for testing the latest tidal generators, so near-perfect weather conditions will be required. I believe most may be first-time activations. This will be a 'solo' operation (XYL Veronica having decided discretion was the better part of valour!). If successful, I hope to continue activating islands, this season, in a more relaxed way, hopefully teaming up with regular 'island buddy' Alex, G(M)0DHZ, to re-activate some less remote islands, which even some of the high-scoring SCOTIA chasers may have missed - I will be doing an analysis of the records to determine the 'most wanted'."

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Operators Nicola/IN3ADW and Luca/IN3HUU will be active as HB0/homecall from Liechtenstein between May 8-12th. Activity will be mainly on 40/20/17/12 meters, as well as 15/10 meters propaga-tion permitting, using SSB and some RTTY. Suggested frequencies are: 7110-7130, 18125-18135, 14215-14225 and 24945-24955 kHz. QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-138. Dale, BA4TB, will lead a team of operators and be active as as BY1WXD/5 from Gulangyu Island between May 4-7th. QSL via BA4TB.

AS-146. Operators JunJian/BD4KYA, Zhigang/BD4KRB and Yongwei/BG4KLA will be active as homecall/4 from Jiming Island (WLOTA 2489), Chengshan Jiao area, Weihai Prefecture, Shandong Province, China, between April 23rd and May 3rd. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via their home callsign, by the Bureau or via BA4EG (QRZ.com QSL forward service).

EU-008. Members of the Kilmarnock and Loudoun Amateur Radio Club will once again be active as MS0KLR from the Isle of Muck (IOSA NH06, SCOTIA DI18), Inner Hebrides, between April 24-28th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL by the Bureau to MM0KLR, or direct to MM0GHM. More details at: http://qrz.com/db/MS0KLR Also see: http://www.klarc.org

EU-032. Be, F8GRY, will be active as F8GRY/p from Re Island starting Monday, April 23rd. His length of stay was not mentioned. Activity will be mainly on the Topband starting an hour before sundown throughout the night and on VHF during the daytime. He will operate on the other bands, but on requests. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-039. Members of the Charente DX Group (CDXG) will be active as TM0CI from Chausey Island (DIFM MA 004) between May 19-25th.

QSL via F5EOT, by the Bureau and direct (Postage or Mail
with Paypal). For updates, watch the CDXG Web page at:
http://www.frag33.org/www.cdxg.org

EU-108. (Reminder) Jim, MM0BQI, will be active as GB5TI from Lunga
Island (IOSA NH17, SCOTIA DI09, WAB NH17), Treshnish Isles,
Inner Hebrides, between April 27th and May 1st. Activity will
be on the HF bands, on or near the usual island and IOTA
frequencies. QSL via LoTW, direct or by E-mail Bureau requests.

EU-172. Noel, OO4O, will be active as OZ/OO4O from Hou Fyr, on Langeland
Island (WLOTA 0590) between April 29th and May 5th. Activity
will mainly be CW/SSB on the HF bands. QSL via LoTW and the
Belgian QSL bureau.

NA-143. Leslie, AD5WB, will once again be active from Galveston Island
(USI TX001s) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a
Single-Op/Fixed-Island/High-Power entry. QSL via his home
callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

SA-048. (Update/Callsign Change) A team of Venezuelan operators from
the Grupo DX Caracas (GDXC) were active as YW5PI (not YX5P)
from the rare Patos Island between April 19-23rd. QSL via DM4TI.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 23-29th)....
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Apr/24th AN Apr/27th AN Apr/29th AN
Apr/25th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K=0-1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K=2 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K=3 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K=4 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K=5 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9 100-400

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Jeff, VA3QSL, will be active as KP4/VA3QSL from
Puerto Rico (NA-099, USI PR006S, WLOTA 2802) between April 22nd and
May 4th. Activity will be holiday style but will include two days on
the Island of Vieques (USI PR-007S, WLOTA 4042). Operations will be
near the IOTA frequencies on 40/20/6 meters using CW and SSB. Jeff
hopes to activate some lighthouses too. He will be using 100 watts
into a dipole and hamsticks. QSL via his home callsign, direct (w/
SASE/SAE and sufficient postage) or by the Bureau.

MJ, JERSEY. Operators Peter/ON8ZZ, Dominiek/ON3JA and Frederik/ON3NT
will be active as MJ/OT9Z from La Moye, Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818),
between July 20-27th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and
SSB. QSL via OT9Z, by the UBA QSL Bureau.

OD, LEBANON. Luigi, IV3XNF, will be on a United Nations Interim Force (UNIFIL) mission in Lebanon between May and October. He will be staying on a military base but plans to be active during his free time and operate as a QRP station using the callsign OD5/IV3XNF/QRP. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a Yaesu FT-817ND into a Carolina Windom 80 antenna or an End-Fed Half-Wavelength Antenna (EFHWA - fishing pole). Preferred modes are CW and Digital. QSL via direct to his home callsign. For more update and info, see: http://iv3xnf.jimdo.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 22nd)

4J9SONG via DL7EDH EH1ARD via EA1AST GB100MUC via MM1BHO
4K12SONG via 4K4K EH5MAV via EA5FJL GS4MWS via M0PAI
4X02T via 4Z5FI EH8WDX via EA8ADL HB9WARD via HB9JOE
5P4LO/P via ON4LO EI/NG7M via NG7M (L) HH2/9A7GAE via 9A2TN
5P4MG via DJ4MG EI0IMD via EI1NC IY0TC via IZ0KAT (B)
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d) ES6/OH5LID via OH5LID J88LE via J88NEF
7Q7PRO via W4PRO GB0CMS via G-Bureau LZ1WARD via LZ1BFR
7S3F via SM3AF GB0NAW via MW1CFN ON150VAART via ON6UB
8S50BQ via SM7BHM GB1HMGY via G3SOU PR3A via PY3OZ
A43WARD via A47RS GB1OOC via MW0DHF PW7T via PT7WA
A60WARD via NI5DX GB2MB via M1OOO (d) R150SPA via RK4CYW
CO8TW via HB9SVT GB2MT via G-Bureau SK87WARD via SM-(B)(L)
CW1GM via CX2ABC GB4MDI via GW0ANA SK100MGY via SK6RM
DL/N2WB via N2OO GB4M via M0DOL TG0IARU via TG0AA
E77AW via E77E GB5CQD via G0OKF VP2MQR via N7QR
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA GB8MD via M0PNN W3HF/KH2 via W3HF
EA8/HB9BIN/P via HB9BIN GB25IMD via G0FIC YJ0VK via VK2CA
ED5URI via EA5URI GB40HMSB via G0TOC YW5PI via DM4TI
EG1DCL via EA1URV GB50RSARS via G0SWY ZP9MCE via EA5ZD
EG2ISN via EA2DXR GB100MPA via G3PLE ZW7MGY via PR7ZAJ

(d) direct (B) Bureau (L) LoTW

E51M QSL STATUS. As of April 19th, the QSL cards are ready to send. The Online QSL Request Service (OQRS) is now available online at: http://manihiki2012.de/OQRS.html
QSL Manager is DJ8NK, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau.

AT2DW QSL STATUS. It was reported that the AT2DW QSOs were uploaded to LoTW on April 20th. The QSL cards have been printed and shipped by Gennady, UX5UO, and should reach the QSL Manager Sarla, VU2SWS, within the next few days. Snail-mail posting of cards would begin soon after. Meanwhile, if there are still any cases of busted or missing QSOs, please inform Sarla at: sarla.yl@gmail.com
The searchable log for the Bet Shankhodhar Island operation can be seen at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=AT2DW
The expedition Web site is at: http://www.dxcoffee.com/at2dw

ST. PETER & ST. PAUL ROCKS LOGS (Update). Cesar, PY2YP, continues to obtain logs for St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks DXpeditions from the operators and uploads them into LoTW. This week he informs OPDX, "Just uploaded

to the LoTW a portion of the 1991 PY0SR operation." He also mentions, "I've received ZY0SA and ZY0SB logs from 1987 operation, and just waiting for PW0PP and PY1RO from the 1978 operation; the latter ones have already been mailed. These 2 DXpeditions are quite interesting for the low band DXers; so far I have noticed 160 meters QSOs in the 1978, 1987 and 2001 operations only."

QSL EH8WDX via EA8ADL. Special callsign used from the Island of Gran Canaria (AF-004), Canary Islands, during the World Amateur Radio Day celebration.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4AJC, 5H3MB, 5K3R, 5V7CC, 7Z7AA, 8P5A, 9U0A, A25KW, CO2WF, CQ7OA, CX4ACH, DQ4W, EB3JT, GW9T, HK1MW, HP1/IZ6BRN, JA0FVU, JA1VND, JA6LCJ, KH2L, KH7Y, MJ/K8PT, OK2WMC, OS8A, OZ1TMK, P49Y, PJ4/W9MNJY, PJ4Z, PJ5Z, PS2T, R3LA, SM5ELV, SP3FCO, UA3KW, UA9MA, UU7J, UX7QV, V21ZG, V25AA, V73NS, VK0BP, VK1HBB, VK3BRW, XE1/DL3DUE, YU8NU, ZP6CW, ZM4T, ZX2B and ZZ2T

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2T, 4S7NE, 6Y0A, 8P5A, 8P5Y, 8P9WH, 9M6/OH2YY, 9Y4LAS, 9Y4NW, A45XR, A71BU, CP4BT, EX2T, FM/F6AUS, HI3K, OA4SS, P40L, P40W, P49Y, PJ2T, PJ4Z, PJ7PT, RI1FJA, T2T, TI5W, TL0CW, TO4M, TX6T/P, V21ZG, V31RR, V31TP, V55V, VP6T, VK0TH, XT2IVU, XU7DLH and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: R750Y and YU4NC

ST, SUDAN. Robert, S53R, will be active as ST2AR from Khartoum during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band (TB) entry. QSL via S53R or LoTW.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI (Update). The T30PY and T30SIX DXpedition to Tarawa Island (OC-017), Western Kiribati, between October 16-25th, now has their Web page up and running at: http://www.mdxc.org/t30py
The current T30PY/T30SIX team members are: Leo/PP1CZ, Orlando/PT2OP, Fabio/PY2AAZ, Rick/PY2PT, Alex/PY2WAS (Team Leader), Fred/PY2XB (Team Co-leader), Miguel/PY3MM, Fernando/PY4BZ, Jim/PY7XC and Xavier/PY7ZY. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using the T30PY callsign, and T30SIX will be used on 6 meters. They expect to have 3 stations running simultaneously on HF and one on six meters. The following modes will be used: SSB, CW and RTTY. EME will be on six meters. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1833.5, 3524, 7024, 10124, 14024, 18084, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3798, 7085, 14190, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7038, 14080, 18102, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6M - 50102/CW and Beacon 50110-50120/SSB
SPECIAL NOTES:
1] The CW listening frequency will always be up (except on 160m), starting at just 1 kHz or 2 kHz up depending on the pile-up size. On 160m, they will be listening 1823 and UP for WW and 1818 and UP for Japan. QSX will be announced.
2] They may use alternative frequencies depending on QRM, if necessary.
3] On 6m, 50110 kHz will be used for propagation checking calls. They will move to 50120 SSB and 50102 CW as soon as activity peeks up. The beacon is breakable. If you hear it, please break in and/or

advise HF operators.
4] EME: The frequency will be 50.198 MHz using WSJT-JT65A. T30SIX will transmitt the first sequence. Important -- EME operations are not confirmed at this time.

Considering the high cost of logistics, donations are welcome to help the team to support all related costs. There is a donation button on their site for which the donor may click and use Paypal. QSL via PY2PT, direct, by the Bureau ("Estimation to reply: at last, 3 years."), or by their OQRS on the Web page.

V2, ANTIGUA. Darrell, AB2E, will once again be active as V26E from Antigua (NA-100) between May 23-30th. Activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power (A) entry, the same as last year which resulted in #2 World and #1 North America for the category. All operations before and after the contests will be either on the 30/17/12 meter bands or the lower bands. Also, for the first time, he will attempt RTTY on all bands. QSL direct via AB2E for any and all operations from 1993 to present. Be sure to include an SASE, green stamp, or new IRC or you won't get a card. Sorry, no Bureau cards at this time, and no eQSL. All logs from all V26E operations have been uploaded to LoTW.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. John, W5JON, will once again be operating as V47JA from his Calypso Bay, St. Kitts, W.I., hillside vacation home (CQZ 8, IOTA NA-104, Grid FK87pg) between July 12th and August 2nd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using SSB. His activity will also include RSGB IOTA (SSB) Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Equipment will be: Kenwood TS-590S and a SB200 Amplifier and a 80-10m Multiband Dipole and S9 Vertical; 6m will be a 3 element yagi. His XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to his home callsign W5JON. Also via LoTW.

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND (Update). Trevor, VK0TH, is now QRT. He went QRT earlier than expected due to "2 hours of EU Jamming, Tuning and Mayhem". Trevor states, "Thank you everyone for all the contacts it was great fun in the main. I was disappointed by stations that operated outside the Amateur Radio Code of Conduct. However, I guess that's just human nature. Certainly a lot of you were very passionate to make that VK0/mm contact, and the last few days were quite over whelming as the frenzy increased with people aware it was final days." QSL via JE1LET direct ONLY.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. John, KB4CRT, will once again be active as VP2MRT from Gingerbread Hill, St. Peters Parish, Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475, WW Loc. FK86VS) between June 6-12th. Activity will be on 80-2 meters using SSB, some CW, possibly PSK, and be in the June VHF Contest. He will be looking for AS and OC stations. QSL via KB4CRT, direct (w/SASE or DX 2GS). NO Bureau QSL. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a week of his returning home.

VY0, CANADA (IOTA Op). Operators Dick/AH6EZ and Harry/K9DXA plan to be active as YV0/homecall from Rankin Inlet, Nunavut Province[Canada's largest and newest federal territory], between June 21st and July 2nd.

Activity will be on 80-6 meters, with a focus on 30/17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. The duo plans to make a side trip to Marble Island (NA-185) for a few hours sometime between June 25-29th. On July 1st, during Radio Canada Day Contest, both Dick and Harry will be active as VY0RAC. Listen for QSL instructions. For more details and updates, go to: http://ah6ez.yolasite.com

YJ, VANUATU (Reminder). Members of the Oceania DX Group Inc. (ODXG), will once again be active as YJ0VK from Port Vila on Efate Island (OC-035), Vanuatu, between April 21st and May 5th. Operators mentioned are Chris/ VK3QB (team leader), Luke/VK3HJ, Lee/VK3GK, Mike/VK3GHM, Benton/VK3CBV and Allan/VK2CA. Activity will be on all HF bands 160-10 meters, with an emphasis on 30/17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB, and RTTY/PSK31. They do plan to have three stations on the air as often as possible. QSL via VK2CA, direct or by the Bureau. For updates, visit the YJ0VK Web page at: http://yj0vk.odxg.org/yj0vk2012/default.html
LAST MINUTE NOTE: The team was advised that the resort they are staying at was recently hit by lightning, and the resort' Internet connection was taken out. They hope to have it repaired and available by early next week, so at the moment it looks like no connectivity until then. They will try other options to do their daily log uploads if it continues to be unavailable. Stay tuned!

ZA100, ALBANIA (Reminder/Update). Operators Franck/F4DTO and Patrick/F4GFE will once again be active from Albania, but as ZA100I between April 22-29th. Activity with their special callsign is in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Albania's independence. Operations will be on 40-10 meters SSB only using a Yaesu FT-450 into a dipole and vertical for 10m. QSL via F4DTO, direct (w/1 IRC, 1 Euro or 2 USDs) or by the Bureau. No eQSL.

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KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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603. eHam.net News for Sunday 22 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-22 22:07:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b4cb3dee904be4bbf1f@google.com>
Source record: 3120
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Operators Help When Newer Technology Goes Dead:

Posted: 21 Apr 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28151

When some modern communications systems were knocked out recently by storms, local officials had no way of calling for help or reporting damage. That's where amateur radio, or "HAM" operators stepped-in. Tom Reis, SKYWARN Coordinator for the Des Moines National Weather Service Office, says HAM operators reported storm observations just before an EF-2 tornado hit Creston, causing severe damage to the hospital and other structures. Reis says they're a valuable asset to discerning information that could help save lives. "The National Weather Service recognizes the importance of ground truth information and a variety of methods to get the information to them at the Weather Service office," Reis says. "And one of those methods is via amateur radio. The Weather Service has a quite extensive amateur radio station that they then staff when the time arises, when the need arises." When severe weather is imminent, the National Weather Service office in Des Moines calls in one of four trained operators to come out and coordinate HAM communications. When the storms hit April 14th, Reis, who lives nearby, was called into action.

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Petition FCC: Void Antenna Restrictions:

Posted: 20 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28150

Over 900 signatures have been collected via an online petition at Change.org to ask the FCC to void existing outdoor antenna prohibitions made by developers and homeowner's associations. The petition requests that "reasonable accomodations" be made for amateur antennas in HOA's etc. Those of you who do not wish to submit formal comments on this matter (GN Docket 12-91) to the FCC may support the petition by a very simple process of going to the site listed below and signing the petition.

604. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 23 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-23 11:06:49 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a1290a5d5804be56a2df@google.com>
Source record: 3121
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ITAR - Section 1248 report released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WWfOGxBbVCw/itar_section_1248_report_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) inexplicably applies
to amateur radio satellites and threatens US radio hams with jail terms or
heavy fines if they co-operate with others on satellite projects

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The SCOTIA Challenge

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1i40TQ_FD4Q/the_scotia_challenge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andre, GM3VLB, will once again try to activate some of the SCOTIA islands
(SCOTtish Island Award) he missed last year in the Orkney IOTA Group
(EU-009, SCOTIA OI14)

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MjBvzB0w-cA/february_06.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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16 Japanese educational satellites to be launched

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R1TevxLyuYQ/16_japanese_educational_satellites_to_be_launched.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first to launch is the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 built by
students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT). The launch is on a
Japanese H-IIA rocket planned for May 17 at 1639-1642 UT

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JG7GHqxptpk/dxcc_report_2304.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for for the week of Sunday, 15th-April, through Sunday, 22nd-April there were 224 countries active

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Tarawa Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cGjpUEN1NyU/tarawa_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The T30PY and T30SIX DXpedition to Tarawa Island (OC-017), Western Kiribati, between October 16-25th, now have their Web page up and running

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Vanuatu DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QDmFn9em-JE/vanuatu_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Geoparks weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2J1-1ofkQuI/geopark_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pAWh1Adg-AI/history_23_april.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

605. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 22nd April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-23 12:00:17 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120423120003.AD52733C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3122
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 22nd April 2012

The news headlines:

* 2O12xx special prefix stations

* New FAQs section on RSGB website

* Details of Olympics amateur band restrictions announced

The London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games provide an outstanding opportunity to publicise amateur radio. To that end, the RSGB negotiated a very limited number of special prefixes, 2O12x (two Oscar one two x), with the intention that these calls are given an extensive airing over the Olympic period this summer. Special stations are already planned for London, 2O12L, and Wales, 2O12W, and there will be a special callsign for the National Radio Centre. Groups in Scotland and Northern Ireland are encouraged to take advantage of the special callsign secured for their region. Groups who would like to use the callsigns for all or part of the Olympic period should bear in mind that public access and good world-wide coverage will be required. Expressions of interest should be sent, without delay, to Bob, G3PJT, by email to G3PJT@btinternet.com.

This week, the RSGB has posted comprehensive sets of frequently asked questions and answers at www.rsgb.org/faq. Amateurs may find that this is a useful first place to look for any questions you have about the hobby, membership of the RSGB or for information on the amateur exam system. The resource will continue to be updated with new answers as necessary.

Details of amateur band frequency restrictions during the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games have now been released by Ofcom. Parts of the 70cm, 13cm and 9cm bands are affected between 28 June and 23 September 2012. The restrictions only apply in geographically limited areas, with 70cm being particularly affected around London and Weymouth. Full details are on the RSGB website at www.RSGB.org/olympics.

The Radio Communications Foundation is charged by Ofcom with the creation and maintenance of the examination arrangements for the Amateur Radio Examinations in the UK. In discharging its role, the RCF has an agreement with RSGB that the Society handles the administration of the processes involved. Questions of syllabus, examination questions

and related policy issues are handled by the RCE Examinations Committee of the RCF. As a result of turnover in Committee membership there are vacancies on this Committee and applications are sought from those with relevant skills and experience. If you have an Advanced licence, a keen interest in training and education, experience of examination processes, syllabus development, examination performance assessment, question development and the time to devote to four meetings a year, plus e-mail working, which will become the more normal way of working, then please express your interest, enclosing a relevant CV, to Professor Simon Watts, Chairman of the RCE Standards Committee, via SC.chairman@commsfoundation.org.

The RSGB has made available a Media Information Pack for affiliated radio clubs because of the expected upswing in interest in amateur radio courtesy of the Olympics. There have been some excellent examples of clubs and societies using special events to promote amateur radio widely and the aim of the pack is to help more clubs achieve this success. You can read details of the media pack at www.tinyurl.com/RSGBmedia, although the downloadable material is in the Members Only area.

Following the recent consultation on the Spectrum Strategy, the final version can now be downloaded from the Spectrum Strategy consultation page as well as from the Spectrum Forum website. Whilst the response to the consultation was small, the quality of comment was good and as a result a number of improvements have been made to the document. As with all strategy statements, it will need to be reviewed and updated every few years to reflect changes in our needs and the spectrum management context. The RSGB would like to thank the members of the Spectrum Forum for developing the strategy and those who responded during the consultation. The RSGB is pleased to announce the appointment of Andy Talbot, G4JNT, as Technical Forum Chair. Andy brings a wide and deep understanding of the technical side of amateur radio to this role.

Changes to the RSGB QSL bureau operation that were detailed in the December 2011 RadCom have now taken effect. Volunteers now despatch, where possible, all available incoming cards to members and pay-to-receive users on a quarterly basis. Currently they are sending out their last batch of cards to non-members, together with the return of unused collection envelopes and details of how to access the new scheme. All members with more than one active callsign, especially those in the M3, M6, 2 and M0 series, urgently need to visit the RSGB website and update their membership details, if they have not already done so. To avoid envelopes being returned incorrectly and cards lost, this information is vital. It would be most helpful if those who do not collect traditional QSL cards change the wording of any QRZ.com entry to include the wording "No bureau cards". Please note that all NOV holders of GB Special Event and abbreviated single letter callsigns must be registered to a valid member or affiliated Society in order to continue sending and receiving cards. To update your information visit www.rsgb.org/amend or telephone RSGB headquarters, without delay.

>From 28 April to 4 May, the Camb-Hams will be continuing their traditional Scottish Island activation by returning to the Isle of Mull in the Scottish Inner Hebrides, which is IOTA reference EU-008. All HF bands from 160m to 10m will be covered with five stations on air simultaneously, all capable of running the legal power limit from five linear amplifiers. 6m, 4m and 2m will be active with a great take-off to the UK and Europe, again all at legal limit. 10GHz is also being used, for a first-time activation of IO66 square. There will also be a 24 hour activation from Lunga, IOTA EU-108, using the callsign GS6PYE/P. This will most likely take place from Sunday 29th until Monday 30th and is weather dependent. You can follow the progress at http://dx.camb-hams.com, or on Twitter as @g3pye.

Enrolment for the next Bath-based Distance Learning course for the Advanced exam opens on 1 May. The course will start in June, heading for the December exam. The course is open to anyone that has passed the UK Intermediate exam. Each week students will receive directed reading instructions and a set of revision questions, every three weeks they will also receive a progress test and mock exams at the end of the course. Students' answers are marked and worked solutions are provided. You will need your own copy of the Advanced textbook, a non-programmable scientific calculator and access to the internet; material is distributed via a dedicated Yahoo Group. You will need to set aside at least two hours a week for twenty weeks. Applicants should not underestimate the commitment required to do this home study option, but those that see it through to the end have had a very high pass rate. The course team are based in Bath but have a growing number of remote tutors across the UK. Further details and enrolment forms can be obtained by contacting Steve Hartley, G0FUW, at 5 Sydenham Buildings, Bath BA2 3BS or by email to G0FUW@tiscali.co.uk.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 28th Yeovil QRP Convention takes place today, 22 April, in Digby Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne, Dorset DT9 3AA, which adjoins the central shopping car park. Doors open 9.30am and there will trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as a lecture programme. Contact Derek, M0WOB on 01935 414 452 for more details.

Today, 22 April, the West London Radio & Electronics Show takes place at Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames, Middlesex TW16 5AQ. There is free car parking and doors open at 10am. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special interest groups. Details from Paul, M0CJX on 08451 650 351.

The Radio Security Service Reunion takes place today, 22 April, at Bletchley Park. Starting at 11am, all are welcome to this event commemorating the 1,500+ radio amateurs who monitored German signals in WWII. There will be lectures and a vintage equipment exhibition. The National Radio Centre is also open for visitors from 11am.

Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society will be holding their spring junk sale on Saturday 28 April at 12 noon in the Scout Hall, Christie Place,

Fochabers. Contact Barry, GM4TOE, on 01807 580376. Now for the news of special events

Today, 22 April, the North Cork Radio Group will be activating Mizen Head Visitors Centre using the callsign EI0IMD.

Ripon and District ARS are organising the first Inns and Pubs on the Air weekend. Using GB2TH they will be operating from the Tan Hill Inn on 22 April. At 1732 feet ASL, the location is the highest licensed premises in Great Britain.

230 (Congleton) Squadron Air Training Corps will be hosting special event station GB1AC on 28 April. Station operators will include newly licensed Cadets. Visitors and VIPs at the event celebrating the Squadron's newly enlarged premises will be involved. Contact with current and previous Cadets and service personnel will be much welcomed. The station will be active from 11am to 3pm. Skeds on any bands between 10 and 80m can be arranged via email to rogerm0gmg@gmail.com.

Botley Flour Mills near Southampton is one of the UK's oldest known milling sites and is listed in the Domesday Book. The Mill will be activated with the callsign GB0BFM for Mills on the Air weekend on 12 and 13 May from 10am to 4pm using 80m, 40m, 2m & 70cm. The station will be run by M0IED, his father G6FRT and other members of Itchen Valley Radio Club, with added assistance from Southampton University Wireless Society.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

JS6RRR and JA5DUR will be active as /JS6 from Miyako Island, AS-079, between 26 April and 7 May. They will operate SSB, CW, FM and some RTTY and PSK31 on the 160 to 6m bands. QSL to their home callsigns, preferably via the bureau.

VA3QSL will be active as KP4/VA3QSL from Puerto Rico, NA-099, from 22 April to 4 May, including a two-day side trip to nearby Isla de Vieques. He will operate SSB and CW on 40, 20 and 6m. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Mal, VK6LC will be active again as XV4LC from Vinh Long, Vietnam until 24 April. He will operate holiday style on 20 and 17m CW and SSB. QSL direct only to VK6LC.

F4DTO andF4GFE will be active as ZA100I from Albania until 29 April. They will operate SSB only on the 40 to 10m bands. QSL via F4DTO, direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

The First 50MHz contest takes place from 0900 to 1200UTC today, 22 April. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

It's busy on 24 April with two contests taking place between 1900 and 2130UTC. The 50MHz Activity Contest uses all modes on the 6m band and the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The SHF UK Activity Contest uses the 2.3GHz and up bands. The exchange is also signal report, serial number and locator.

The weekend of 28 and 29 April is a RTTY contest time. From 1200 to 1200UTC, the SP DX RTTY contest takes place on the 3.5 to 38MHz bands. The exchange is signal report and serial number, with SP stations sending their province code too. The BARTG Sprint takes place from 1700 to 2100UTC on 29 April. It's 75 baud only and all entries are single op. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands the exchange is serial number only. And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 13th of April to Thursday the 18th, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 20th of April.

This week several sunspot groups were visible every day. As the week progressed, some of the groups increased in size and complexity. At first solar activity was very low on the 13th and the 14th, but by the 16th activity increased to moderate levels when a small M class solar flare took place. The remaining day's activity was low, with several large C class solar flares taking place. Solar flux levels increased from 98 units on the 13th to 138 by the 19th. The average was 111 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 19th was 112, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B1.5 units on the 13th to B5.2 by the 19th. The average was B2.9 units. Geomagnetic activity started at active levels with an Ap index of 22 units on the 13th due to a recurring coronal hole. Activity then declined to quiet levels for the rest of the period. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 690 kilometres per second to 330 by the 18th. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied between minus 10 and plus 5 nanoTeslas during the disturbance of the 13th and between minus and plus 2 nanoTeslas on the quieter days.

And finally the solar forecast. This week solar activity could be slightly higher than recent weeks, especially at first. Solar flux levels should be around 130 for the next few days but then decline towards next weekend. Due to a small coronal hole, geomagnetic activity is expected to be at unsettled levels on Monday and Tuesday, after which, quiet conditions should return for the remainder of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows are expected to be about 10 or 11MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 30MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 25MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours. Occasional small sporadic-E openings should take place, mainly affecting 28MHz and occasionally 50MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS First, an apology we got our own email address wrong last week. Despite that, several people did get in touch and the feedback was generally favourable. One useful suggestion was that we should only use the revised format on clubs with several events during the week, so we are trying that approach today. Once again, we would appreciate feedback, by email to GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK. And yes, GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk is the correct address.

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization, from 7pm on Monday 23 April. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday the club HF net is on 3.748MHz from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is participating in the 50MHz UK AC on Tuesday 24 April. On Wednesday, John Rogers, M0JAV will be giving a talk on building practical antennas at the BSA Club. On Thursday there is a simplex club net on 145.375MHz from 20.00. Finally, Saturday in the Shack commences at 09.00 on that day. Details from Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting Kempton Park Radio rally on Sunday 22 April. On Monday there is a field day planning meeting. Thursday sees training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and there is a construction evening on Friday. More information from Don, on 0121 458 1603.

Wythall Radio Club is visiting Kempton Park Radio rally on Sunday 22 April. Then on Tuesday, Callum, M0MCX will be speaking on Field Day Disasters - and stuff that went right too! Contact Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 23 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is on the air. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 23 April Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a quiz night. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 24 April Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 24 April Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 25 April Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and planning for field day. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 25 April Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a treasure hunt in Little Wenlock, starting at 1930 prompt. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday 26 April Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop- ars.org.uk.

On Friday 27 April Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a project calibration night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

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Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club has two events this week. On Sunday 22 April it's the North Wales DF, and on Wednesday there's a talk on vertical HF antennas by David, G3UFO. Contact Simon, G6XHF, on 0151 601 3269.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 23 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 23 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on remote station operation by Steve, M1ERS. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 24 April Chester & District Radio Society is having an operating afternoon. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 24 April Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 24 April Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is looking at the 20m Moxon with by Andrew. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 25 April Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air from 1930 on 145.575MHz or thereabouts. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 25 April Durham and District Amateur Radio Society is planning the special event station for when the Olympic Flame is in Durham. Contact David, M0BPM, on 0191 388 8113.

On Wednesday 25 April Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a fox hunt with G4YTV. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 26 April Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is examining the aftermath of GB2TH, Inns and Pubs On The Air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 26 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a home construction clinic with Ged, G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Friday 27 April East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 27 April Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G4VPU on how he started in radio. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND First, an apology we got our own email address wrong last week. Despite that, several people did get in touch and the feedback was generally favourable. One useful suggestion was that we should only use the revised format on clubs with several events during the week. This week's Local News is in the traditional format because no clubs in this report have multiple events. Once again, we would appreciate feedback, by email to GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK. And yes, GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk is the correct address.

On Tuesday 24 April Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 25 April Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having a talk on cryptography by Tam, MM0TGB. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Wednesday 25 April Lothians Radio Society is having DXCC and Logbook of the World explained by Rob Ferguson, GM3YTS. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 26 April Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a Morse class. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 26 April Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the FM satellites by MM1HMZ & GM0FFB. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA First, an apology we got our own email address wrong last week. Despite that, several people did get in touch and the feedback was generally favourable. One useful suggestion was that we should only use the revised format on clubs with several events during the week, so we are trying that approach today. Once again, we would appreciate feedback, by email to GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK. And yes, GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk is the correct address.

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF from 20.30 on Monday 23 and Thursday 26 April, and has technical anecdotes by John, M0XZL on Tuesday 24 April. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday 24 and Friday 27 April. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

East Kent Radio Society is visiting Kempton Park Rally on Sunday 22 April, then having cheese and wine at the Mill on Monday 23 April. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on Monday 23 April from 19.30 on GB3NB, to which everyone is welcome. On Wednesday 25 April there is a fox hunt preparation session. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday 24 April Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008. On Tuesday 24 April Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on radio from the Falklands, VP8, by Roger Eeles, G0SWC/VP8DBR. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 24 April Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Contact Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 24 April Home Counties ATV Group is having a talk on radio at the London 2012 Olympics by Tom, G6IGA. Contact Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Wednesday 25 April Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and planning for Windmills on the Air. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 25 April Darenth Valley Radio Society is holding a fox hunt around the Crockenhill area. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday 25 April Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 25 April Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on running a Hospital Radio station by M0JEC. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Thursday 26 April Bittern DX Group is holding a club meeting. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 26 April Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night with a Bring & Buy and CW practice. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 26 April Edgware & District Radio Society is having a talk on searching for drugs and explosives using radio frequency spectroscopy by Dr Jamie Barras. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 0208 950 0658.

On Thursday 26 April Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk by Lorna Marchant, G7EPS, on simple ways to increase your energy. Contact Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 26 April Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a skittles evening at Mead End, Denmead, from 7.30pm. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 26 April Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at the Blue Ship, The Haven, Billingshurst, RH14 9BS. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 26 April Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its 2012 Martin Lynch Raid at Chertsey. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday 27 April Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on intelligent life in the universe by Peter, M0DCV. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 27 April Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Mick Ponsford, M0GWD, on 02392 366 699.

On Friday 27 April Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a members' forum. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 27 April Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and is testing equipment for Mills weekend. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 27 April Radio Society of Harrow is having a demo of the Acorn SDR kit by G3WCB. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 0208 386 8586.

On Friday 27 April Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 0208 335 3434. On Saturday 28 April Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is running a light-hearted & fun day, experimenting with home-made magnetic loops with Charles Darley, G4VSZ. Details from Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Saturday 28 April Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Shuttleworth Collection. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST First, an apology • we got our own email address wrong last week. Despite that, several people did get in touch and the feedback was generally favourable. One useful suggestion was that we should only use the revised format on clubs with several events during the week. This week's Local News is in the traditional format

because no clubs in this report have multiple events. Once again, we would appreciate feedback, by email to GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk, putting the subject as GB2RS FEEDBACK. And yes, GB2RS@rsgb.org.uk is the correct address.

Advanced notice now that the Plymouth training Team will be conducting an Advanced Exam in Plymouth on Thursday 31 May at 7pm. If anyone would like to sit the Advanced Exam in Plymouth on that date, please contact Bob, G7NHB, by email to g7nhb@hotmail.co.uk. The closing date for applications is 1 May.

On Monday 23 April Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a club night at the Moose Centre. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Wednesday 25 April Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 26 April South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding open house and is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 26 April Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 27 April Torbay Amateur Radio Society is holding a 90/10 sale. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday 26 April Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a night on the air on 145.500 then 145.550MHz. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

606. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 16 - 22 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-23 15:30:11 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120423153002.D275133C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3123
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Apr 23 1405 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
16 - 22 April 2012

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels. Moderate levels were reached on 16 April with an M1.7 flare from Region 1461 (N13, L=070, class/area Hsx/090 on 18 April) that occurred at 1745 UTC. Low levels were observed from 17-22 April. On 18 April, Region 1463 (S26, L=160, class/area Cso/100 on 20 April) produced a C8.9/Sf flare at 1239 UTC with an associated coronal mass ejection (CME) and a C5.3 flare with an associated Type II (est. 621 km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps. On 19 April, a C7.0 flare occurred at 1126 UTC with an associated Type II and Type IV radio sweeps and a non-geoeffective CME off the west limb. This event was likely from old Region 1455 (N06, L=206, class/area Fsi/200 on 16 April). Region 1462 (S25, L=141, class/area Dho/410 on 20 April) produced a C1.8 flare at 1515 UTC with an associated CME on 19 April as well. Only low level C-class flares were observed for the rest of the summary period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels on 16 and 17 April. Moderate levels were observed on 18,19, and 21 April while normal levels were observed on 20 and 22 April.

Geomagnetic field activity was mostly quiet, with brief intermittent periods of unsettled and active levels on several days due to nighttime effects and southward Bz. A solar sector boundary crossing was observed on 20 April, and a weak glancing blow CME occurred on 21 April, again producing unsettled to active periods briefly.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
23 April - 19 May 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels with the slight chance for M-class flares during the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels from the beginning of the period on 23 April, and persist through 10 May. Flux values are forecast to increase to high levels from 11-14 May due to a coronal hole (CH) high speed stream. From 15 May through the end of the period on the 19th, values are expected to return to moderate or lower levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period at unsettled and active levels, as the result of a few weak CMEs along with effects from a negative polarity CH. Conditions should settle to mostly quiet levels from 26 April through 08 May, before increasing to active levels with the chance for a minor storm on 09-11 May. Mostly active conditions are expected 14-15 May. The increases in activity are expected from a pair of negative polarity coronal holes. Mostly quiet levels are expected in between the two features on 12 and 13 May, and again from 16-19 May to close out the period.

607. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 23 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-23 16:46:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b4c900f2504be5b5f2f@google.com>
Source record: 3124
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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TC23NSN International Childrens Festival Special Event

Posted: 22 Apr 2012 02:43 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343420-TC23NSN-International-Childrens-Festival-Special-Event&goto=newpost

Between April 22 and 24 will be on air for 23rd Of April International
childrens festival with;

multi operator,

multi band,

multi mods,

multi locations,

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608. eHam.net News for Monday 23 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-23 22:10:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410ab8c6e4004be5fe7b5@google.com>
Source record: 3125
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Fisher's Ghost Amateur Radio Club Exhibit a Hit:

Posted: 22 Apr 2012 06:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28153

RADIO equipment dating back to the 1930s was on display at HJ Daley Library at Campbelltown last month. The Fisher's Ghost Amateur Radio Club hosted an exhibition featuring a variety of radio and transmission devices. Club treasurer Lynn Kelly said the radio devices on display included old defence equipment which had been sourced from club members.

609. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 24 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-24 11:18:14 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba71fb7994504be6ae8b5@google.com>
Source record: 3126
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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EME 2012 Presenters and Papers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8XfMGu-vCo8/eme_2012_presenters_and_papers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In 2012 Cambridge will be the venue for the 15th International EME Conference – the first time the UK has hosted this prestigious event. The provisional list of presenters and their papers is now available on the Conference web site

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Amateur Radio Posters for Download

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sv3Qu4Dp9PY/amateur_radio_posters_for_download.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has made available a collection of amateur radio promotional posters that can be used when demonstrating the hobby to the public

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QST Digital Edition Interview

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pFypkikpraE/qst_digital_edition_interview.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this Ham Nation Now interview Gary KN4AQ talks to ARRL Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen NQ1R about the new digital edition of QST

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LA1KHA PP3 challenge

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/y98iB9VGTSE/la1kha_pp3_challenge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

One of the leading SOTA activators in Norway is Kjell LA1KHA. He introduced a challenge to see who could make the most QSOs from a SOTA summit from a single 9V PP3 battery

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New proposal cycle for ARISS-US contacts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jbb_MHyFpKk/new_proposal_cycle_for_aris
s_us_contacts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA Teaching From Space (TFS) office has announced a new proposal cycle
for ARISS-US contacts

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Meteoroid the size of a mini-van explodes over California

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u1FVWnSoY34/meteoroid_explodes_over_cal
ifornia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An explosion over California that rattled homes across at least two states
on Sunday, April 22nd, has been analyzed by NASA's Meteoroid Environment
Office..

610. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 24 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-24 12:24:25 UTC
From: Cornelius Crundfutters-Wormhole <cornelius@irritable-bowel.net>
Message-ID: <ZXwlr.182544$H11.74470@fx23.am4>
Source record: 3127
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Tue, 24 Apr 2012 07:18:14 -0400, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
wrote:

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> // EME 2012 Presenters and
> Papers
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> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8XfMGu-vCo8/
eme_2012_presenters_and_papers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
>
> In 2012 Cambridge will be the venue for the 15th International EME
> Conference – the first time the UK has hosted this prestigious event.
> The provisional list of presenters and their papers is now available on
> the Conference web site
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qst_digital_edition_interview.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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> In this Ham Nation Now interview Gary KN4AQ talks to ARRL Marketing
> Manager Bob Inderbitzen NQ1R about the new digital edition of QST
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la1kha_pp3_challenge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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> An explosion over California that rattled homes across at least two
> states on Sunday, April 22nd, has been analyzed by NASA's Meteoroid
> Environment Office..

Awaiting Poster No. 6

I AM NOT A NUMBER - I AM A FREE MAN!!!!! :)

611. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 24 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-24 12:29:22 UTC
From: Cornelius Crundfutters-Wormhole <cornelius@irritable-bowel.net>
Message-ID: <C0xlr.182545$H11.119902@fx23.am4>
Source record: 3128
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Tue, 24 Apr 2012 07:18:14 -0400, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
wrote:

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utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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> The RSGB has made available a collection of amateur radio promotional
> posters that can be used when demonstrating the hobby to the public

In regard to Poster No.5

http://despair.com/potential.html

612. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 24 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-24 16:22:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb03b96b12f04be6f28c0@google.com>
Source record: 3129
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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V63QFL V63AZ Pohnpei Island

Posted: 23 Apr 2012 01:39 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343548-V63QFL-V63AZ-Pohnpei-Island&goto=newpost

JH3AZC and JH3QFL will be active from Pohnpei Island (IOTA OC-010) 30 April
- 3 May 2012 as V63AZ and V63QFL

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ohnpei-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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Bomber Command Memorial 28 June, T1154, R1155, ARC-5 etc activity suggestion

Posted: 23 Apr 2012 05:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343491-Bomber-Command-Memorial-28-June-T1154-R1155-ARC-5-etc-activity-suggestion&goto=newpost

The UK's memorial to Bomber Command is due to be unveiled 28th June.
http://www.bombercommand.com/ Those of us with WW2 radio (ex - RAF, USAF,
RCAF, Luftwaffe, etc) could put them on air that day as a tribute to the
wireless operators of that time. In UK the T1154, R1155 are still in
service and an evening of CW seems a good idea to me. Would anyone like to
do this?

Andrew

GW3OQK

PS My T1154 is nearly ready!

613. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 24 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-24 16:41:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb03ba252a504be6f6c98@google.com>
Source record: 3130
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-113 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 23 Apr 2012 08:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343515-ANS-113-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-113

ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor@amsat.org

Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould, WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor AMSAT's Dayton News Page for the latest information and developments.

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AMSAT News Service Bulletin 113.01

From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

April 22, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

BID: $ANS-113.01

Schedule of AMSAT Activities at Dayton Hamvention

Here are the daily AMSAT activities at the 2012 Hamvention!

Thursday 17 May 2012

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM AMSAT Booth Setup at Ball Arena (contact Gould Smith, WA4SXM, wa4sxm@amsat.org if you can help during this time).6:30 PM - 10:00 PM The third Annual AMSAT ☐Dinner at Tickets☐ party will be held at Tickets Pub & Eatery in Fairborn, OH. Food can be ordered from the menu and drinks (beer, wine, sodas and iced tea) are available at the bar. Directions and coordinates are on the AMSAT Web site. Bring some friends and have a great time the night before Hamvention. Tasty selection of Greek and American food and great company!

Demos Daily on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday for All Available Passes

AMSAT is encouraging all students attending the 2012 Dayton Hamvention to come by the Satellite Demonstration Area just outside of the Ball Area entrance and make a contact using the amateur satellites. There will be AMSAT volunteers there to explain how to make the contacts and during actual satellite passes will try to get as many students as possible to complete actual contacts. There are lists of satellite pass times in the satellite demonstration area and at the AMSAT booth.

Friday 18 May 2012

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM at the AMSAT Booth AMSAT Booth open for membership renewals, books, new items and information. Outdoor satellite demonstrations right outside the Ball Arena entrance. Engineering area with Fox and ARISSat-1 satellite prototype displays.4:00 PM at the ARRL Stage AMSAT and ARRL are teaming up during the 2012 Hamvention to recruit new ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators. Friday and Saturday (May 18 & 19) at 4pm in the ARRL stage area AMSAT Vice President for Educational Relations Mark Hammond N8MH will explain the need for additional ARISS Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators and the requirements and responsibilities needed to help provide a reliable conversation between astronauts and

selected schools or groups.6:30 PM - 10:30 PM AMSAT/TAPR Banquet at Dayton 2012 AMSAT/TAPR Banquet on Friday night, May 18 is one of the main AMSAT activities during the 2012 Hamvention at Dayton. AMSAT is pleased to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured speaker for the evening event. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle, the 64 - 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver. Banquet tickets will not be sold at the AMSAT booth during the Hamvention so reservations must be made through the AMSAT Store. Tickets are $30 apiece.

Saturday 19 May 2012

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM at the AMSAT Booth AMSAT Booth open for membership renewals, books, new items and information. Outdoor satellite demonstrations right outside the Ball Arena entrance. Engineering area with Fox and ARISSat-1 satellite prototype displays.11:15 AM - 1:30 PM The AMSAT Forum Get the latest information about what is going on with AMSAT and its projects. The AMSAT Forum will be held in Forum Room 5.4:00 PM at the ARRL Stage AMSAT Vice President for Educational Relations Mark Hammond N8MH will explain the need for additional ARISS Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators and the requirements and responsibilities needed to help provide a reliable conversation between astronauts and selected schools or groups.

Sunday 20 May 2012

9:00 AM - 1:00PM at the AMSAT Booth AMSAT Booth open for membership renewals, books, new items and information. Outdoor satellite demonstrations right outside the Ball Arena entrance. Engineering area with Fox and ARISSat-1 satellite prototype displays.1:00PM - 5:00PM at the AMSAT Booth Take down and storage of the AMSAT Booth. (contact Gould Smith, WA4SXM, wa4sxm@amsat.org if you can help during this time).

[ANS thanks Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

May 15 Deadline to Apply for ARRL TI-2 Space in the Classroom Institute

The ARRL Education & Technology Program (ETP) is offering an advanced Teachers Institute (TI-2) session that focuses on space in the classroom. This four-day professional development workshop is sponsored by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association and is held in their location in Dayton, Ohio (July 9-12).

The TI-2 Space curriculum focuses on the nuts and bolts of setting up and operating a satellite ground station. This serves as excellent preparation for a scheduled contact with the ISS through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program. But it also provides instruction for continued use of satellites and other man made space assets to explore naturally generated signals, space and a variety of topics.

Thanks to generous assistance from Yaesu USA and Ham Radio Outlet, participants will receive a full ground station that is configured for satellite communications, as well as training on how to set it up and use it to make Amateur Radio contacts and download telemetry data.

To be considered for a seat in TI-2 Space, participants must possess at least a Technician class license at the time off application. ARRL membership is required. Priority for attending the TI-2 Space session will be given to teachers who have developed an educational proposal accepted for participation in the ARISS Program.

This session has a class limit of 8 participants, so apply early! The deadline for the TI-2 Space in the Classroom sessions of the Teachers Institute is May 15. Full details are posted on the ARRL web.

[ANS thanks the ARRL for the above information]

Five CubeSats in Preparation for July Launch to ISS

Five CubeSat teams continue work on preparations for a launch to the International Space Station in the July 18-21, 2012 time frame. These CubeSats will be launched from Tanegashima, Japan aboard the JAXA HTV-3 ISS resupply mission. The CubeSats will be loaded into the J-SSOD deployer on the Japanese Experiment Module, also known as Kibo. They will be deployed with the Kibo robotic arm planned for September, 2012 timeframe.

The five CubeSats include:

RaikoWe WishFITSat 1F-1 Vietnam Student CubeSatTechEdSat

RAIKO - Wakayama University, Japan

This 2U CubeSat includes experiments for:

Earth photography with a fish-eye lens cameraPhoto tracking during deployment from ISS to measure relative motion.Experimental star sensorMembrane deployment experiment for de-orbitHigh speed data communication experiment by Ku-band communication equipment:

Orbit determination experiment by Doppler frequency measurement of Ku-band beacon.Mobile ground station and global cooperation for reception

FITSAT-1 - Fukuoka Institute of Technology, Japan

The main mission of this 1U CubeSat will be a demonstration of high speed data transfer from a satellite. A second experiment aboard the satellite involves an attempt at visual tracking from the ground of the high-output LED flash to investigate the possibility of optical communication with satellites. The light from this flash will be received by the ground station equipped with a telescope with photomultiplier linked to a parabolic antenna tracking the 5.8GHz downlink.

Frequencies announced for FITSAT-1:

CW Beacon 437.250 MHz,

FM Data 437.445 MHz,

High speed data 5840.00 MHz.

WE WISH - Meisei Electric Co., Ltd., Japan

The WE WISH mission plans to investigate the monitoring the global environment from space with the use of an upper atmosphere measurement experiment. This includes GPS technology, and technical proof of concept of a micro infra-red camera. The team has the additional goal of contributing to local technical education through the use of CubeSat ground data acquisition.

F-1 Vietnam Student CubeSat

Vietnamese students in Hanoi plan to orbit the country's first satellite, their amateur radio CubeSat F-1 with the callsign XV1VN. The satellite will carry a low resolution C328 camera and two Yaesu VX-3R transceivers using 145.980 and 437.485 MHz.

VX-3R1, 437.485 MHz FM downlink:

Solar cell power only, operates in sunlight onlyOutput power: max 0.3W, half-wave dipole antennaMorse code beacon (10 chars) using PWM CW every 30 seconds

VX-3R2, 145.980 MHz FM downlink:

Rechargeable battery, operates in dark and sunlightOutput power: max 1.0W, half-wave dipole antennaAFSK 1200bps, half duplex, one AX.25 packet every 30 seconds

If the The F-1 web page is not available the latest news and photos have been posted on the AMSAT-UK web.

TechEdSat - San Jose State University

TechEdSat is a 1U CubeSat built by San Jose State University in partnership with NASA Ames Research Center and AAC Microtec. It's mission is to evaluate Space Plug-and-play Avionics (SPA) designed in Sweden by AAC Microtec, and to perform a communications experiment utilizing the Iridium and Orbcomm satellite phone network.

Student hands-on learning opportunities were presented during the International Space Apps Challenge on April 21-22. For this challenge, space hackers implemented a fault-tolerant command and control system, utilizing both the OrbComm and Iridium modems as uplink and downlink. Ground segment of the software includes the ability for a laptop, Apple or Android phone to issue commands to the spacecraft over Iridium/Orbcomm. The students will also be challenged with designing the capability for relaying data received from the spacecraft automatically to Twitter.

TechEdSat has received IARU frequency coordination for its downlink on 437.465 MHz. Additional news has been posted on the AMSAT UK web.

[ANS thanks the CubeSat teams, AMSAT-UK, and Mineo Wakita JE9PEL for the above information]

Naval Postgraduate School Develops Multi-CubeSat Deployment System

The Space Systems Academic Group (SSAG) at the US Naval Postgraduate School has developed the NPS CubeSat Launcher or NPSCuL (pronounced NPS-cool).

This is an auxiliary payload platform to allow multiple CubeSats to be launched aboard rockets as secondary payload meaning the rocket would be able to carry satellites in onboard space that would otherwise be unused.

NPSCuL can accommodate up to 24 CubeSats in a single ESPA-class [Secondary Payload Adapter] payload volume. Upon reaching the desired orbit spring-loaded doors will release the satellites one-by-one.

First flight is planned for August 2012 which will carry 11 CubeSats for the Operationally Unique Technologies Satellite (OUTSat). This will enable NPS researchers to get one of their own CubeSats into space. The NPS STARE CubeSat is part of a collaborative effort between NPS and the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) on a

proof-of-concept mission to observe other satellites and help determine threats posed by space debris.

The NPS has published a press release available on-line.

The AMSAT-UK web also provided coverage of this story.

[ANS thanks the US Naval Postgraduate School for the above information]

Successful ARISS School Contacts with California, Ecuador, and Japan

Academia Cotopaxi in Quito, Ecuador

On Friday, April 13, an ARISS) contact was held between students from Academia Cotopaxi in Quito, Ecuador and on-orbit astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT via station IK1SLD in Italy. Cotopaxi, an international American school with students in grades pre-K to 12, has a strong relationship with Ecuador's astronaut, Ronnie Nader, and the Ecuadorian Civilian Space Agency (EXA). It utilized several NASA resources in its curriculum covering space, technology and radio. Approximately 500 students and visitors were present for the event.

Saitama Scout Council Japan

Scouts from the Troop 2nd & 3rd Iruma Group, Saitama Scout Council, Scout Association of Japan participated in an ARISS contact on Saturday, April 14. An audience of 70 people, including one magazine representative, turned out for the contact and listened as the Scouts had their questions about living on the ISS answered by on-orbit astronaut Dan Burbank, KC5ZSX. The Scouts have their own radio club, JQ1YWJ and many of the Scouts have been attending amateur radio classes to become licensed.

Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy California

The Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy in Riverside, California had a successful ARISS contact on Thursday, April 19. The telebridge station IK1SLD in Italy provided the radio connection with the ISS. The ARISS contact complemented a comprehensive education plan to pique students' interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

After the event, ARISS mentor Clint Bradford, K6LCS declared, "SUCCESS at Flabob Airport this morning! Flight engineer Pettit answered all seventeen of our questions - from fifteen students." There were 211 in the audience, including 120 Flabob students, media, city council members, Gordon West and Don Arnold, and other dignitaries, AND a lot of parents, too!

Media coverage of the Flabob ARISS contact included California's sixth largest daily newspaper, The Press-Enterprise, sent a reporter, videographer, and photographer, the Bob Heil & Gordon West mediacast, Ham Nation, sent a videographer - and the contact will be on an episode of their webcast in the next couple of weeks. Newspaper coverage included the editor and publisher of The Riverside County Record. Clint was interviewed on PBS radio affiliate KVCR. The Inland Empire Television Network videotaped the entire event.

The Press-Enterprise is the region's major newspaper. Links to their video, article, and photographs are posted on ISS-Flabob site blog.

Clint invites you to check out http://www.iss-flabob.com since this site created for the ARISS event also offers links and publications on amateur radio, our space programs, ARISS, AMSAT, ARRL, ham radio licensing - and MORE - on the MORE INFO page.

[ANS thanks Carol Jackson, KB3LKI and the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Status Report for April 16, 2012 and Clint Bradford, K6LCS for the above information]

Two Months to Field Day - AMSAT FD Rules Posted

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO reminds you that time of year is once again approaching - Field Day!

Each year the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) sponsors Field Day as an emergency preparedness exercise. The event takes place during a 24-hour period on the fourth weekend of June. For 2012 the event takes place during a 27-hour period between 1800 UTC on Saturday, June 23, 2012 and 2100 UTC on Sunday June 24, 2012. Those who set up prior to 1800 UTC on June 23 can operate only 24 hours.

The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT) promotes its own version of Field Day for operation via the amateur satellites, held concurrently with the ARRL event.

With the loss of AO-51 and SO-67 field day this year is going to be most challenging. If you are considering ONLY the FM voice satellites like AMRAD-OSCAR-27 or SaudiSat-Oscar-50 for your primary AMSAT Field Day focus: Don't, unless you are simply hoping to make one contact for the ARRL rules bonus points.

The congestion on FM LEO satellites was so intense in prior years that we must continue to limit their use to one-QSO-per-FM-satellite. This includes the International Space Station. You will be allowed one QSO if the ISS is operating Voice. You will also be allowed one digital QSO with the ISS or any other digital, non-store-and-forward, packet satellite (if operational).

If you have worked the satellites on Field Day in recent years, you may have noticed a lot of good contacts can be made on some of the less-populated, low-earth-orbit satellites like VUSat OSCAR-52,Fuji-OSCAR 29 (may or may not be operational), AMSAT-OSCAR 7. During Field Day the transponders come alive like 20 meters on a weekend. The good news is that the transponders on these satellites will support multiple simultaneous contacts. The bad news is that you can't use FM, just low duty cycle modes like SSB and CW.

The AMSAT Field Day 2012 event is open to all Amateur Radio operators. Amateurs are to use the exchange as specified in ARRL rules for Field Day. The AMSAT competition is to encourage the use of all amateur satellites, both analog and digital.

For the complete listing of the AMSAT Field Day Rules please refer to

the documents posted on-line at:

http://www.amsatnet.com/fd2012.doc

http://www.amsatnet.com/fd2012.pdf

Links are also accessible from http://www.amsat.org front page.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

FAA CARSR Radar May Impose Amateur Operating Restrictions on 23cm

An ARRL bulletin this week noted that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is deploying a new generation of Common Air Route Surveillance Radar (CARSR) that has some implications for the use of the 1240-1300 MHz (23 cm) band by amateurs.

The Amateur Service allocation in this band is on a secondary basis, with aeronautical radionavigation and several other services primary in the United States Table of Frequency Allocations. The FCC rules require that amateur stations operating in the 23 cm band may not cause harmful interference to stations in the radionavigation-satel-

lite service, the aeronautical radionavigation service, the Earth exploration-satellite service or the space research service.

One case of harmful interference in Southern California has been reported. CARSRs are being installed in several dozen locations throughout the country and will use various frequencies in the 1240-1350 MHz range with an occupied bandwidth of about 3 MHz. In the vicinity of the radars, amateur operation may be precluded in a portion of the 23 cm band. The ARRL is in contact with FAA engineers. The ARRL said they anticipate that the constraints on amateur use of the band will be limited to those necessary to protect aviation safety, which of course cannot be compromised.

[ANS thanks the ARRL for the above information]

AMSAT-UK on Satellites for World Amateur Radio Day

Members of AMSAT-UK operated on the amateur radio satellites from the RSGB National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day (WARD) on Wednesday, April 18, 2012.

World Amateur Radio Day commemorates the founding of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) on April 18, 1925. This year□s theme was □Amateur Radio Satellites: Celebrating 50 Years in Space□ in remembrance of the launching of OSCAR 1 on December 12, 1961 and the launch of OSCAR 2 on June 2, 1962.

Those taking part in the event were Jim G3WGM, Dave G4DPZ, Trevor M5AKA, Ciaran M0XTD, Matthew SWL, Clive G3CWV, Carlos G0AKI and Elaine G4LFM. The satellites worked during the day included FO-29 and AO-7 and contacts were made with stations across Europe using the 144 and 430 MHz bands.

The equipment used comprised a Kenwood TS-2000 with WiMo X quads for 144 and 430 MHz, with pre amps and polarisation switches.

Read the rest of this article, along with links to photos and video on-line on the AMSAT-UK web.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

UK Will Restrict Use of Amateur Satellite Frequencies During Olympics

Trevor, M5AKA has filed the following notice on the AMSAT-UK web. The Olympic and Paralympic Games will be using almost half of the 430 MHz amateur radio allocation as well as segments of 2.3 GHz and 3.4 GHz during the period June 28 to September 23.

The impact on the Amateur-satellite Service 435-438 MHz allocation has been restricted to 436.25-437.25 MHz. It is understood that the equipment being used in the 430 MHz band will include handheld FM rigs at the hotels, the routes to the venues and the venues themselves.

The UK communications regulator Ofcom has provided details of the areas that need to be protected from RF within the designated frequency ranges. Follow the link to the AMSAT-UK web for the details of the region affected by the restrictions.

Ofcom say the use of radio by Amateurs in the designated areas could cause interference to Games applications; it is also possible that higher power transmissions from outside these areas could cause interference. Consequently, to avoid the risk of interference to Games applications, Ofcom request that Amateurs do not operate within the frequency ranges identified in the areas defined in Annexes A and B, and that Amateurs ensure that any signals that could be received in these areas are negligible. This indicates that the specified frequency ranges should be avoided for a considerable distance outside the designated zones. Clearly a well equipped station on a good site 75 km from the edge of a zone could still put a signal into that area.

[ANS thanks Trevor, M5AKA and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Silent Key - Greg Butler, KI4OTG

AMSAT has received the sad news of the passing of satellite operator Greg Butler, KI4OTG of Memphis, Tennessee. Greg had a heart attack on April 18 and did not survive it. He just turned 48 in February. He is survived by his 18 year old son

Rick Tillman, WA4NVM noted, "Greg was one of the truly nice guys, always polite and there to help. It's been our great pleasure and privilege to know and work with him in the Memphis ham community. He will truly be missed. God bless your soul faithful servant,"

John Papay, K8YSE recalled, "Greg was one of the most courteous operators that I've known. He was active on the birds and enjoyed working new grids. Greg was a gentlemen. We will miss hearing his voice on the birds."

[ANS thanks Rick Tillman, WA4NVM and John Papay, K8YSE for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK. The AMSAT front page news has the instructions to submit your nominations.The 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Symposium will be held at the Holiday Inn, Orlando (Florida) Airport on October 26-28, 2012. Watch for the Call for Papers and more details as they become available. If you are interested in a Monday Trip (October 29) to the Kennedy Space Center please contact Martha via email: martha at amsat.org. The trip will include a round trip bus from the hotel and entrance to the Space Center. The cost will be about $100. This is a wonderful experience for those that haven't been and for those that have been multiple times. We need to get an idea of how many will participate to select the correct bus.If you worked KP4FD as members of the Puerto Rico Field Day Group celebrated the IARU "World Amateur Radio Day" on April 18 you can receive an electronic certificate by sending a request via WP3GW. The group will also provide confirmations will be via eQSL and LoTW.The next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, April 26 at 8:00 PM EDT (UTC -4) on the 146.970 MHz repeater, and also on the N2EYH-L Echolink node. (via Stu, WA2BSS)Technical papers are solicited for presentation at the 31st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference on September 21-23, 2012 in Atlanta, Georgia. Please send papers to: Maty Weinberg, ARRL, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111 or via e-mail to: maty@arrl.org.UniverseToday posted a collection of photos of the Shuttle Discovery final flight aboard NASA's 747 Shuttle Carrier Aircraft during its Washington DC overflight and delivery to the Smithsonian Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly, Virginia.

Video of the event is posted at: http://tinyurl.com/April17-Discovery

Photos and a video of Discovery's departure from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida are posted at: http://tinyurl.com/Florida-Discovery

NASA Goddard Center photos of the flight over Washington DC are at:
http://www.flickr.com/groups/discoverygoddard/

A time-lapse photo panorama of Discovery's take-off from Florida:
http://spaceflightnow.com/shuttle/st.../pano_full.jpgSee how the moon appears to the crew aboard the ISS.Students at Drexel University need mentoring in setting up a ground station. If you can help please contact Nick Pugh, K5QXJ via e-mail at quadpugh@bellsouth.net and he will put you in touch with the professor leading the cubesat program.Painstakingly assembled from over 150,000 digital photos taken over the course of eight months, this stunning time-lapse video of aurora-filled Arctic skies is the latest creation by photo/video artist Ole C. Salomonsen. Take a moment, turn up the sound, sit back and enjoy the show! Play this too much and the XYL is going to wonder what you're up to in the shack.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that please keep in mind how fast we are going as the Earth orbits the sun at an average speed close to 30 km per second. The Sun travels at a speed of 250 km per second, but it still takes 230 million years for it to complete a single revolution of the galaxy.

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This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

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Amateur Radio Club KB4SA partners with Boy Scouts of America in Clay County, FL

Posted: 23 Apr 2012 07:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343509-Amateur-Radio-Club-KB4SA-partners-with-Boy-Scouts-of-America-in-Clay-County-FL&goto=newpost

KB4SA Logo.jpg

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, THE NORTH FLORIDA COUNCIL CHARTERS AMATEUR RADIO STATION KB4SA ☐ INAUGURAL EVENT ON MAY 12, 2012.

Clay County, Florida (April 12, 2012) ☐ Boy Scouts of America, The North Florida Council announces the charter of amateur radio station, KB4SA. KB4SA encourages, equips and prepares young people to be vibrant citizens and dynamic community leaders through the use of amateur radio and the practice of emergency communication guided by the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

The inaugural event of KB4SA is scheduled for May 12, 2012 at Camp Echockotee, 2513 Doctors Lake Drive, Orange Park, FL 32073. Scouts will see local amateur operators in action and also communicate, via radio, with other amateur radio operators, local and around the world.

During future events, Scouts will earn merit badges related to radio, communications and science; receive a FCC Amateur Radio license; participate in local emergency communications drills; and provide communication support for community charity events such as bike-a-thons.

Peter Duzant, founder of the KB4SA said, ☐Amateur radio is a rewarding hobby that allows Scouts to learn, not only about radio and electronics, but also that it goes hand-in-hand with duty to country and community.☐

Chuck Courson, Director at Camp Echockotee adds his support, ☐The starting of Amateur Radio Club, KB4SA, will allow us to be able to help scouts be better prepared to give back to their community in a very meaningful way. We are excited about the opportunities that this will provide for the scouts.☐

Sponsors for the Amateur Radio Club KB4SA include Clay County Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Journey Church.

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Boy Scouts of America was founded in February of 1910 with the purpose of providing programs for young people that build character, and trains them in the responsibilities of citizenship and giving back to the community. The Boy Scouts of America now has a membership of 2,723,869 youth.

More information about the Amateur Radio Club KB4SA and other events scheduled with the Boy Scouts of America can be found on the club web site at http://www.kb4sa.org. To schedule an interview, or your attendance at the event, please contact Scott Roberts at (904) 759-7812 or by email at kk4ecr@gmail.com.

Attached Images

KB4SA Logo.jpg
(46.1 KB)

614. eHam.net News for Tuesday 24 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-24 22:18:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c738569e204be742220@google.com>
Source record: 3131
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operator Needed in Canberra:

Posted: 23 Apr 2012 06:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28156

Bob Bruninga, WB4APR the inventor of the APRS system has inquired if an Australian Amateur Astronomer and HAM operator in Canberra would be available on 4-6 June 2012. Assistance is needed to support a science team of students from the USA to observe the last transit of Venus this century in Canberra.

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New Weather/Ham Radio Website Needs Your Help:

Posted: 22 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28152

Calling all hams. A new website dedicated to severe weather and ham radio needs help from hams. Hams are encouraged to provide photos, links, articles etc. pertaining to ham radio as it is used to assist during severe weather.

615. The ARRL Contest Update for April 25, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-25 04:58:27 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120425043225.D0D6624E3C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3132
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

There are several "targeted" contests coming up that are excellent
opportunities for new HF operators. In the DX arena you'll find the
Helvetia (Swiss), SP DX RTTY (Polish), and ARI International (Italian)
contests. Here in the US you can operate in two regional (New England
and 7th District) and two state (Nebraska and Florida) QSO parties. Get
your logging software configured and have fun!

BULLETINS

The ARRL Programs and Services Committee has approved a rule change for
ARRL VHF+ contests effective beginning in 2013 (not this year) to
create a Single-Op FM-only category (100 W max, 50/144/222/440 MHz) and
a three-band Single-Op category (100 W PEP on 50 and 144 MHz, 50 W PEP
on 432 MHz). These changes will apply to the January, June, and
September contests - again, beginning with the 2013 January VHF
Sweepstakes.

BUSTED QSOS

Info on the 7QP came from K4XU/N7XU which your editor comingulated to
K7XU. The proprietor of RF Technology International is K9AY, not K9AG.
But do check out the magazine, regardless! (Thanks, Pete N4ZR and Tom
K1KI)
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CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

April 28-29

- VHF Spring Sprints--432 MHz (Apr 25)
- Worldwide EME Contest
- Ten-Ten Spring Digital Contest
- Nebraska QSO Party
- SP DX RTTY Contest
- Helvetia Contest
- QRP To The Field--CW
- Florida QSO Party
- BARTG 75 Sprint

May 5-6

- 2 GHz and Up World Wide Contest
- Microwave Spring Sprint
- Ten-Ten Spring CW Contest
- 7th Area QSO Party
- Indiana QSO Party
- Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone
- ARI International DX Contest
- New England QSO Party
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (May 8)
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (May 8)

A reminder - check out the online contest calendars of WA7BNM and SM3CER. They often have additional contests to those listed here, including links to the sponsoring websites.

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

WRTC 2014, Inc., host of the 2014 World Radiosport Team Championship <http://www.wrtc2014.org/>, is pleased to announce the first two tent sponsors <http://www.wrtc2014.org/sponsors/tent-sponsors> from Europe - the Contest Club of Finland (sponsor of WRTC 2002) and Contest University (CTU) Italy 2012. WRTC 2014 provides each of the 59 teams a complete operating location including tent, tower, antenna, generator, etc. Tent sponsorships of $1,000 from clubs and other groups help to provide the funding for this equipment. Here in the US, the Northern California Contest Club, Potomac Valley Radio Club, Society of Midwest Contesters, and Yankee Clipper Contest Club have each sponsored two or more tents.

Dave W9ZRX is making his first and LAST call for VHF Contest Logs for the 2012 Super Check Partial (SCP) Database <http://www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/>. Due to some upcoming surgery, the June release will be the only release in 2012. Please do continue to send Dave your 2012 Contest logs for the remainder of the year - they will be archived for the 2013 release.

Ed WA3WSJ has released a new Kindle book "Amateur Radio and the Great Outdoors <http://www.wa3wsj.org/WA3WSJ-Kindle-Book-Store.html>" on the joys of operating "out and about." 300 pages long, it covers all sorts of topics associated with portable operation - antennas, power sources, hiking, safety, and more. This is a companion to Ed's "Amateur Radio Pedestrian Mobile" book.

European Sprint Manager, Dave G4BUO writes, "Unfortunately we have had a number of problems with the European Sprint and a new email address for logs was not ready in time. If you get a bounce message from the published address for logs please email your log directly to me at sprint@g4buo.com. I want to give thanks publicly to Dima, RW3FO who has been working very hard to keep the EU Sprint show on the road, including spending many hours processing the logs from the autumn contest, after our new checking software became unavailable."

Dick K6KAL has created a Frequency Display add-on <http://www.qsl.net/k6kal/> for N1MM that shows main VFO and secondary VFO frequencies in a variable window and font size, variable font size, type, and color to make the information easier to see. (Thanks, Larry N6NC)

AMSAT is closing in on the $6500 needed to purchase the special high-efficiency, space-rated solar panels for its new Fox-1 Cube-Sat <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/fox/> that will act as a temporary replacement for AO-51, lost to battery failure. Five additional Cube-Sats from Japan, Vietnam, and the United States are in final preparation for launch to the ISS in July in a Japanese re-supply mission. If your Field Day group is planning on obtaining the bonus points for a satellite QSO, not having AO-51 means a lot of congestion on the FM-only AO-27 and ISS space-borne repeaters. Check out the AMSAT Field Day operational rules <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/images/fck_images/2012_AMSAT_FD_Rules%281%29.pdf> before making your final plans - you might want to try the birds featuring linear transponders that can handle more signals on CW and SSB.

The DXCoffee website has published an interview <http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/04/16/pacific-ocean-n7ous-ham-radio-home/> on DX operating with contester and DXpeditioner, Bill N7OU. Bill traded a home station for 100% expeditioning some years again and is thoroughly enjoying himself. (Thanks, Christian IX1CKN)

Technical papers are being solicited for presentation at the 31st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference <http://www.tapr.org/dcc.html> on September 21-23, 2012 in Atlanta, Georgia. Please send papers to: Maty Weinberg, ARRL, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111 or via e-mail to: maty@arrl.org.

Web Site of the Week - Along with remembering the Titanic in this centennial year of its sinking, there is an elevated interest in early radio. The IEEE Spectrum discusses the Titanic's role in radio reform <http://spectrum.ieee.org/static/the-titanics-role-in-radio-reform/?utm_source=techalert&u

tm_medium=email&utm_campaign=041212>
and Doug K1DG tips us to the Communications Act of 1912
<http://earlyradiohistory.us/1912act.htm> that led Amateur Radio into
the "200 meters and down" wilderness (see Section 15) with all that
came next. Imagine what a shock it must have been in those days to
discover that the short waves were open during the day! If that
paragraph had been absent, so would have modern ham radio. A BBC
Titanic "special broadcast
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/console/p00q89fy>" converts the wireless
telegraphy to voice, including losing the signal as the ship sunk. Tim
K3LR recommends the portions from 4:43 - 23:00 and after 26:28 as the
best parts of the nearly hour-long program.

WORD TO THE WISE

Brag tape - a pre-programmed message describing a station's equipment
and accomplishments. The word "tape" recalls the long-gone days when
RTTY teleprinters used punched paper tape
<http://www.wps.com/J/paper-tape/index.html> to store messages.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

This looks like the ultimate transmitter <http://youtu.be/neHreW-PNtw>
- don't you think everyone should have one? (Thanks, Jim K7WA)

Photos from the Visalia International DX Convention have been
published by Bob N6TV <http://bit.ly/Visalia2012> and Hector XE2K
<https://plus.google.com/photos/117177580566330031658/album/5734786094851761057?gpinv=AMIX
al-Fihxv7-wyK3Lj3ufrvYw20lf_tBOrX5OvRE-ovHfpdnsQXmB7cO0KGYT-bOsR9aEGq4A2bfql0KLi07emxxO6zq
LamAG1Uiur6fbszU4q52VJ4TI#photos/117177580566330031658/albums/573478609485176>.
You'll recognize a lot of the call signs - and there are lots of
smiling faces, too.

Top-scoring Rookie Roundup participant Ashley K6NAA was captured on
video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CNfsw19_4-Y> making a couple of
contacts by station host and contest Elmer, Bob N6TV.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Expanded results <http://www.arrl.org/results-records-and-awards> for
the 2011 ARRL Phone and CW Sweepstakes, including excellent in-depth
articles by Steve London N2IC and Kelly Taylor VE4XT, results databases
and Log-Checking reports, are now online. Also on-line as of today is
the extended version of Gary K9AY's 160 Meter Contest report. Results
for the April 15th Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>
have been released today, too. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager,
Sean KX9X)

Looking for the line scores of ARRL contests? "Full line scores for
all ARRL contests are already available on-line
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. Select your favorite
contest, and select "Printable Line Scores". (Thanks, Steve N2IC)

WRTC-2014 standings
<http://www.wrtc2014.org/competitors/qualification-standings/> have
been updated to include the official results from CQ WPX CW, All Asia
DX CW and SSB, WAE CW and SSB, and ARRL Sweepstakes CW. Team Selection
Direction, Dan K1TO is getting excited - "22 down, 33 to go! Once
again, the standings show a number of new leaders in their Selection
Areas. CQ WPX CW next month is the 35th qualifying
<http://www.wrtc2014.org/competitors/team-selection/qualifying-event-calendar>
event out of the 55 total events so there are still 21 events left to
operate!"

The CQ WPX Contest's "official" high claimed scores just went online
<http://www.cqwpx.com/claimed.htm?mode=ph>. The 5,264 logs submitted so
far is a new record for the contest. Scores are calculated by the log
checking software and before any reductions. (Logs submitted as check
logs are not included in the claimed scores.) Please check that your
log has been placed in the correct category. Any feedback or
corrections should be made to k5zd@cqwpx.com. Even though 10 meters
didn't open as much as everyone had hoped, we still had a number of
record scores and stations across the US are seen in the Top Ten.
(Thanks, CQ WPX Director, Randy K5ZD)

Barry W5GN reports that direct mailing of the US, Canadian, and
Mexican certificates for the CQ WPX 2011 CW Contest was completed on
Saturday. 43 envelopes were found to have been mis-addressed and have
been re-mailed - it is not necessary to return or re-mail the
certificates.

The 2011 Florida QSO Party results
<http://floridaqsoparty.org/results/fqp2011.pdf> are complete and have
been posted! (Thanks, Ron WD4AHZ)

OPERATING TIP

During the recent April ARRL Rookie Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> there was a bit of confusion about
call signs and identification requirements. A Technician call sign
cannot be used on the HF phone bands (other than 10 meters) without
adding the control operator's call. For example, a Technician such as
KE7VDA working 20 meter phone at her station with control operator
K6UFO would have to sign KE7VDA/K6UFO to show that the control operator
is authorized for those frequencies, or simply use the control
operator's call sign. (See FCC §97.119
<http://www.arrl.org/part-97-amateur-radio>) For non-Rookie operators,
should you encounter an operator identifying with a call sign not
authorized for that frequency, politely inform them of the problem,
make sure there isn't some mistake, and then suggest the correct
procedure as you would like to be informed of a problem with your
operating - no need to get upset as we all make mistakes.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

If you are putting in a tower base that will place significant tension on the anchor bolts, follow US Tower's lead and use a large, straight bolt with two nuts on the concrete end. With the two nuts on the bolt, spoil the threads below the lower nut (smash them with a hammer and chisel, for example) to prevent the nuts from working loose before the concrete sets. (Thanks, Steve K7LXC and Hank KR7X)

John K6MM provided a great overview of log analysis tools in his Visalia International DX Convention presentation, "Post-Contest Log Analyzers <http://www.nccc.cc/pdf/K6MM-IDXC2012.pdf>". You can learn a lot about your log and use that information for doing better in the next contest!

"Does Anyone Repair Electronics Any More?" Electronic Design <electronicdesign.com> magazine answered that question in a blog entry of the same name by Lou Frenzel.

What's the deal on Arduino? Howduino! But you can find out in this Make magazine online introduction <http://www.instructables.com/id/Intro-to-Arduino/> to the growing family of Arduino microprocessor development boards.

Portable contest operators - such as for Field Day, roving, and run-and-gun adventures - will find a lot of good information on the use and care of telescoping poles <http://www.allfishingbuy.com/Surf-Rods.htm> about half way down the page. (Thanks, Steve NU7T)

The May edition of the Potomac Valley Radio Club (PVRC) newsletter <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/may12.pdf%20> has a good article by Tom K3AJ on raising small towers with a tow truck. There is also a good article on Samuel Morse by John K3TN.

Contesters drill through walls quite a bit - hanging plaques and certificates, no doubt. Make cleanup a little easier with this idea for using coffee filters <http://blog.makezine.com/2011/10/20/tape-up-a-coffee-filter-to-catch-drill-dust/> from Make magazine's online tip collection.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Have you ever wondered where the digital mode character codes come from? Wonder no more after reading Tom Jennings' history of character codes <http://www.wps.com/J/codes/index.html> unearthed by Bob N7RDP. The WPS website is full of fascinating articles and information.

==> CONVERSATION

To See Things for Yourself

I continue to find many parallels between the amateur astronomy community and Amateur Radio. Perhaps it is because we both use sensitive instruments to discern the signals from distant and wonderful places? As such, a special premium is often awarded for using one's own senses to perform as much of the detection and understanding as

possible.

The "Focal Point" column by Thomas Watson in the May issue of Sky & Telescope <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/> discussed why this is so through the eyes of an astronomer. The question for his community of stargazers revolves around the use of astroimaging technology - once film cameras and now CCD detectors - as opposed to peering through the eyepiece yourself.

Initially, he states, "The best picture postcard of the Grand Canyon will never replace standing on the rim and gazing into it with your own eyes." I do love visiting the Astronomy Picture of the Day <http://apod.nasa.gov/> web site and often follow the links describing the picture and the technology used to acquire it. Similarly, I thrill to see deep-space objects imaged by the Hubble Space Telescope and other magnificent instruments. I'll never confuse those views, however, with lining up my own dim and wavering view of a Messier object <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Messier_object> through my small reflector - astronomy's DXCC.

Later in the column Watson arrives at the crux, writing, "The depth and beauty of the universe gain a new level of meaning when you take the time to see things for yourself." Replace "see" with "hear" and you can easily understand the parallels between those of us who experience the universe through our radios and those who use telescopes. Those two are very much the same - collectors and concentrators of photons - although of quite different wavelengths.

Not explicitly stated in Part 97.1's Basis and Purpose but underlying it all the same, the ability to experience the natural world one-on-one through the magic of radio is Amateur Radio's great reservoir of strength. Some may prefer to copy CW like free climbers gripping a granite face with fingers and toes and rosin. Other may prefer to pull signals swimming deep in and ocean of noise to the surface through coding wizardry. Yet we all share the same fundamental spirit of adventure and discovery, educing beauty in the diminutive and ephemeral electromagnetic vibrations of space and time--to see it for ourselves.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

25 April through 8 May

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Ten-Ten Spring Digital Contest--Digital, from Apr 28, 0001Z to Apr 29, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, county & S/P/C, 10-10

number. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

Nebraska QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 28, 1100Z to Apr 29, 1700Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144, Frequencies: CW: 1.805 and 35 kHz above band edge,Nov/Tech--10 kHz above band edge; Phone--1.915, 3.865, 7.265, 14.265, 21.365, 28.465, 146.460. Exchange: RS(T), NE county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.hdxa.net/>

SP DX RTTY Contest--Digital, from Apr 28, 1200Z to Apr 29, 1200Z . Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, SP province. Logs due: May 24. Rules <http://www.pkrvg.org/zbior.html>

Helvetia Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 28, 1300Z to Apr 29, 1259Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or Swiss canton. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.uska.ch/>

QRP To The Field--CW, from Apr 28, 1500Z to Apr 29, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 7-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C. Logs due: Jun 1. Rules <http://www.zianet.com/qrp>

Florida QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Apr 28, 1600Z to Apr 29, 0159Z and Apr 29, 1200Z to Apr 29, 2159Z . Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 7-28. Frequencies: see website. Exchange: RS(T), FL county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.floridaqsoparty.org/>

BARTG 75 Sprint--Digital, from Apr 29, 1700Z to Apr 29, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial. Logs due: Jun 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/contests/hf/rules/bartg-hf-rtty-contest-rules-2012.pdf>

Ten-Ten Spring CW Contest--CW, from May 5, 0001Z to May 6, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call sign, name, 10-10 number, state. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

7th Area QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 5, 1300Z to May 6, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144, Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge; SSB--1.845, 3.855, 7.235, 14.255, 21.355, 28.455. Exchange: RS(T)+S/P or 7th-area county code. Logs due: Jun 2. Rules <http://7qp.org/>

Indiana QSO Party--Phone,CW, from May 5, 1600Z to May 6, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW--1.805 and 40 kHz above the band edge on 80-10 meters, SSB--1.845, 3.820, 7.190, 14.250, 21.300, 28.400. Exchange: RS(T) + S/P or IN county, DX RS(T) only. Logs due: Jun 15. Rules <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp>

Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone, from May 5, 1700Z to May 6, 0459Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-21. Exchange: RS, QTH, name, equipment. Rules <http://www.radio-club-of-america.org/>

ARI International DX Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 5, 2000Z to May 6, 1959Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial or Italian province. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ari.it/>

New England QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 5, 2000Z to May 6, 0500Z and May 8, 1300Z to May 8, 2400Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW--3.540, 7.035, 14.040, 21.040, 28.040; SSB--3.850, 7.180/280, 14.280, 21.380, 28.380. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P or New England county. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.neqp.org/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from May 8, 0200Z to May 8, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from May 8, 1600Z to May 8, 1659Z, first through fourth Monday of each month. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, Frequencies: see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

VHF+ CONTESTS

VHF Spring Sprints--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 25, 7 PM to Apr 25, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 432. Exchange: Grid square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone,CW, from Apr 28, 0000Z to Apr 29, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 2.3G. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

Nebraska QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Apr 28, 1100Z to Apr 29, 1700Z . Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144, Frequencies: CW: 1.805 and 35 kHz above band edge,Nov/Tech--10 kHz above band edge; Phone--1.915, 3.865, 7.265, 14.265, 21.365, 28.465, 146.460. Exchange: RS(T), NE county or S/P/C. Logs due: May 31. Rules <http://www.hdxa.net/>

2 GHz and Up World Wide Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 5, 6 AM to May 6, 8 PM. Bands (MHz): 2.3G+. Exchange: 6-char grid locator. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://www.ham-radio.com/sbms>

Microwave Spring Sprint--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 5, 6 AM to May 5, 1 PM. Bands (MHz): 902+. Exchange: Grid square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>

7th Area QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 5, 1300Z to May 6, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, 144, Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge; SSB--1.845, 3.855, 7.235, 14.255, 21.355, 28.455. Exchange: RS(T)+S/P or 7th-area county code. Logs due: Jun 2. Rules <http://7qp.org/>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

25 April through 8 May

- April 25 - NSARA Contest, CW <http://nsara.ve1cfy.net/nsaracst.htm>
- April 26 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>
- April 28 - Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprint-rules>
- April 28 - EA RTTY Contest
<http://www.ure.es/contest/430-ea-rtty-contest.html>
- April 29 - EU Spring Sprint, CW
<http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140%E2%8C%A9=g>
- April 30 - SP DX Contest <http://www.spdxcontest.info/reg/reg_g.html>
- April 30 - Hungarian Straight Key Contest
<http://hskc.ha8kux.com/data/2012/Hungarian%20Straight%20Key%20Contest%202012.pdf>
- April 30 - ARLHS Annual Spring Lites QSO Party
<http://arlhs.com/SL-2012-guidelines.html>
- May 1 - BARTG HF RTTY Contest
<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/contests/hf/rules/bartg-hf-rtty-contest-rules-2012.pdf>
- May 1 - Missouri QSO Party <http://www.w0ma.org/mo_qso_party.htm>
- May 2 - 222 MHz Spring Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules>
- May 5 - New Mexico QSO Party
<http://pages.swcp.com/%7En5zgt/nmqsoparty/documents/NMQP_forms.pdf>
- May 6 - EU Spring Sprint, SSB
<http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140%E2%8C%A9=g>

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616. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 25 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-25 11:10:45 UTC
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB0SMA Stow Maries Aerodrome - Vintage Fly In

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eWclh4f7Pks/gb0sma.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dengie Hundred Amateur Radio Society (DHARS) will be operating GB0SMA from
Stow Maries Aerodrome in Essex over the Bank holiday weekend of the 5th,
6th and 7th May to celebrate the 100th aniversary of the Royal Air Force

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K7AGE in This Week in Radio Tech

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LwDUVokcgkU/k7age_in_this_week_in_radio_tech.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Randy K7AGE, well known for his amateur radio YouTube videos, was
interviewed in the show This Week in Radio Tech

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Chelmsford Talk - The Future of the RSGB

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jB9D8IKzbek/chelmsford_talk_the_future_of_the_rsgb.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dr. Bob Whelan, G3PJT, Chairman of the RSGB Board, will be giving a talk to
the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) on Tuesday, May 1

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FAST-4 Amateur Radio balloon burst video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D2J5iDi5TLk/fast4_amateur_radio_balloon_burst_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio balloons frequently capture stunning video of the Earth from
an altitude of 30km, FAST-4 got a great video of the balloon bursting

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RSGB Spectrum Strategy consultation: responses now online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DxgIzbZdtOc/rsgb_spectrum_strategy_cons

ultation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has published the responses to the Spectrum Strategy consultation
on its website

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9M0L Spratly DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oREb1_Vs6Dw/spratly_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Piraja PS8RF reports on the recent 9M0L DXpedition to Pulau Layang-Layang

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Ham Radio in Nursing Home

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DmiIImy2Vhc/ham_radio_in_nursing_home.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Flanagan has allowed Dick Zehr W9OQI and
Lois Zehr W9UXL to set up a ham radio station in their room

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Metal-eating bugs found on ISS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ug2ZLhDY_f4/metal_eating_bugs_found_on_iss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Micro-organisms capable of eating the International Space Station have been
discovered aboard the orbiting space base

617. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 25 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-25 12:18:44 UTC
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Eastern North Carolina - 22nd Annual Down East Hamfest - Kinston, NC - June 30, 2012

Posted: 24 Apr 2012 12:55 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343704-Eastern-North-Carolina-22nd-Annual-Down-East-Hamfest-Kinston-NC-June-30-2012&goto=newpost

The 22nd annual Down East Hamfest in Kinston, North Carolina will be held at Lenoir Community College on Saturday, June 30, 2012. LCC is located at 231 Highway 58 South, Kinston, NC 28503. Doors open at 8:00 AM with the scheduled closing time at 3:00 PM.

Ticket / Table information: Advance Tickets are $5 each or 3 for $12. Tickets at the door are $6 each or 3 for $15. Tables are $12 each and electrical outlets are $5 each. Tailgating Sites are $12 each for 2 slots. Tables and tailgating sites are available through Pre-Registration on a first come - first served basis. Table and Tailgate site locations are assigned by the HAMFEST.

PLEASE USE THE ATTACHED FLYER TO PRE-REGISTER. Additional information can be obtained from Byron Highland K4BMH by email at bhighland@nc.rr.com or by phone at (252) 347-1498 between the hours of 5:00 PM and 10:00 PM. All other calls will go to voicemail and will be answered as soon as possible.

Amateur Radio Exam Testing (Walk-Ins Only) begin at 11:00 AM. Those wishing to test need to bring an original and a copy of your license or certificate and Credit Certificate (if applicable).

SkyWarn Training & Information presented by NWS Newport / Morehead City will be held during the morning with times posted on the hamfest website when confirmed.

The Lenoir Community College Gym is a climate controlled facility with plenty of table space.

Economical Meals and Refreshments are available on site.

VENDORS: SET UP IS AVAILABLE FRIDAY, JUNE 29TH FROM 1:00 PM UNTIL 9:00 PM. An "Eastern NC Pig Pickin'" will be held at 6:00 PM Friday night for Vendors, so please try to arrive to set up early enough to eat. Barbeque Pork and Barbeque Chicken along with side dishes will be served.

The DOWN EAST HAMFEST is an ARRL Sanctioned Hamfest and has been for its entire life!

Down East Hamfest Association, Inc. www.downeasthamfest.org

Attached Files

DEHF2 scan.pdf
(479.9 KB)

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FREEGate 2012 - Greensboro NC - May 19, 2012 - 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Posted: 24 Apr 2012 03:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343617-FREEGate-2012-Greensboro-NC-May-19-2012-8-00-AM-to-11-30-AM&goto=newpost

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For more information: info@kd4rf.org

Visit www.kd4rf.org for updated information

Thanks and 73,

Rick

NM3G

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Date: 2012-04-25 16:45:03 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NZ4O HF/6M (120-11 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-16

Posted: 12 Apr 2012 02:19 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?342079-NZ4O-HF-6M-(120-11-Meters)-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-16&goto=newpost

The NZ4O HF/6M (120-11 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-16 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday April 13, 2012, valid 0000 UTC
Saturday April 14, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday April 20, 2012. It can be
found at http://www.solarcycle24.org and
http://www.wcflunatall.com/swprop.htm .

619. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 25 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-25 16:53:17 UTC
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XX9E Coloane Island

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 07:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343795-XX9E-Coloane-Island&goto=newpost

EA5BZ , EA5CEE, EA5HPX, EA7FTR , EB7DX , EA1ACP , EA5FX , EA6DD , EB5BBM ,
F5VLY will be active from Coloane Island (IOTA AS-075) 17-23 May 2012 as
XX9E

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...oloane-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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8Q7NK 8Q7IC 8Q7TE 8Q7CJ Maldive Islands

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 07:23 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343785-8Q7NK-8Q7IC-8Q7TE-8Q7CJ-Maldive-Islands&goto=n
ewpost

JA2AAU , JA2AIC , JA2ATE , JA2LSS will be active from Maldive Islands 11-16
May 2012 as 8Q7NK , 8Q7IC , 8Q7TE , 8Q7CJ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ldive-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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Ei80irts special event station

Posted: 24 Apr 2012 12:29 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343700-Ei80irts-special-event-station&goto=newpost

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society (IRTS) are celebrating 80 years in
2012. This call will be used by affiliated clubs and individuals throughout
2012, and as a headquarter station, full details of the contest can be
found here:

http://www.irts.ie/cgi/cqir.cgi

ei80irts award

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society was founded in 1932 and we are proud
to celebrate our 80th anniversary in 2012. As part of the celebrations the

Society will be using the special callsign EI80IRTS.

A special certificate, available to all amateurs and SWLs, is being offered to celebrate this wonderful occasion. Contact the special callsign EI80IRTS during the period of January 1st 2012 to December 31st 2012.

Requirements

2-way communication on Phone, CW or Digi modes on the HF (1.8-28) and VHF (50-1200MHz) bands.

Cross band QSO☐s will not be accepted for this award.

Contacts made via active earthbound reflectors, repeaters and EchoLink will not be counted.

The certificate is available in three levels:

☐Bronze Award 3 different bands.

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☐Gold Award 8 different bands.

Applicants

Applicants should submit a list showing the date and time you worked or heard EI80IRTS, plus frequency and mode. QSL cards are not required. The declared QSO☐s will be cross-checked for validity based on the logs of EI80IRTS. The application fee is ☐5 or US $7.

Thos EI2JD will be the manager for this award.

Send applications to:

Thos Caffrey,

The Slip,

Clogherhead,

Co. Louth,

Ireland.

At the same time, please send an e-mail to contestmanager@irts.ie to inform him that you sent your application by mail.

Award is sponsored by the Dundalk Amateur Radio Society.

Thank you for working us, and full QSL info is available on the Detail tab above. You can do a log search by entering your callsign on clublog, all log enquiries to EI4GXB.

Sláinte

Jim EI4KE

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A52JY A52BA A52MA A52KJ Bhutan

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JA1JQY , JK1EBA , JA3MCA , JA1KJW will be active from Bhutan 6-14 June 2012
as A52JY , A52BA , A52MA , A52KJ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en..._a52kj_bhutan/

73 Al 4L5A

620. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK17 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-25 20:24:36 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
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TF3ML Portable operation from south coast of Iceland (HP94AC)

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Please look at my facebook site, there I will post my locator,
frequency and mode, which I will be operating.
If you have any requests on a special locator, I am completely
mobile. Send me a text or e-mail if you have any requests or
want to set up a sced. E-mail address: tf3ml@hotmail.com,
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LZ67VZ QSL's will be printed by Gold Print Service - LZ3HI

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WD5AGO. 6 cm will have an experimental character despite some 100 W
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work up that high in frequency, so keep your fingers crossed!! Our
plan is to give it a try on Monday, 21th May. Also, we intend to
get active on 3 cm with a separate solid dish, which of course is
a lot smaller. Last weekend we made the first test with LX1DB, having
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satisfying, so our friend Willi right now is trying to help us out
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During the DUBUS contest 26./27th of May, we will of course be
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A detailed schedule for the days from 21th May onwards predominantly
will depend on the progress with 10GHz in the meantime. Further details
to be published soon!! This years DXpedition will be the 9th
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Needless to say that it will be again a CW random event, although
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on request. We have no idea yet to what extent (if at all) i-net
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Vy 73, Michael and Monika

SOURCE: Moon mailing list ; Moon@moonbounce.info

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73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-25 20:27:00 UTC
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full 2424 MHz coverage. For the first time during an EME- DXpedition,
we intend to get also operational on 6 cm with our old, but proven
stressed dish and a new superb feed made by our friend Tommy,
WD5AGO. 6 cm will have an experimental character despite some 100 W
out, as we couldn&#65533;t test so far, if the under-illuminated dish will
work up that high in frequency, so keep your fingers crossed!! Our
plan is to give it a try on Monday, 21th May. Also, we intend to
get active on 3 cm with a separate solid dish, which of course is
a lot smaller. Last weekend we made the first test with LX1DB, having
installed the dish in our garden place. The tests were not yet
satisfying, so our friend Willi right now is trying to help us out
with some substantial development aid!
During the DUBUS contest 26./27th of May, we will of course be
active on 23 cm in order to boost activity in the moonbounce contest
of contests. Our last day of operation will be Thursday, 31st of May.
A detailed schedule for the days from 21th May onwards predominantly
will depend on the progress with 10GHz in the meantime. Further details
to be published soon!! This year&#65533;s DXpedition will be the 9th
EME-DXpedition in a sequence for us. We hope to have fun all together
as experienced during past years DXpeditions.but this largely depends
on you.
Needless to say that it will be again a CW random event, although
doodle mode technically is possible (with a new laptop computer)
on request. We have no idea yet to what extent (if at all) i-net
access is feasable, though.

Vy 73, Michael and Monika

SOURCE: Moon mailing list ; Moon@moonbounce.info

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** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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622. [DXNL] DXNL 1777 (Apr 25, 2012)

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3B8, MAURITIUS, AF-049
Mart,DL6UAA, is once again active as 3B8MM from Mauritius (AF-049),
the length of his stay is not known. Listen for him mainly in CW with
some SSB and digital modes on 160m-10m. QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.dl6uaa.de/indexa.html

4J, AZERBAIJAN
Following special event stations with the suffix SONG or S0NG will be
activated during the "Eurovision Song Contest" until Jun 15:
Special Individual
calls club calls

4JS0NG Safari Club, 4J4K
4KS0NG Gen. Aslanov Club, 4K7Z
4K2012SONG Leonid, 4K8F
4J12SONG Serqey, 4J5A
4K9SONG Vladimir, 4K9W
4K12SONG Boris, 4K4K
4K6SONG Vladimir, 4K6C
4J5SONG Natig, 4J5T
4J7SONG Octay, 4J7A
4JR0SONG Morita, 4JR0HYT
4J1SONG Andrey, 4K6DI
4K1SONG Mehdi, 4J7FM
4J9SONG Rashad, 4J9M
4K4SONG Asif, 4K6AL
4K8SONG Mixail, 4K8M
4J4SONG Denis, 4J9NM

9H, MALTA, EU-023
Dick,DJ2EH, has been spotted in CW as 9H3XX on 30m, 17m, 12m and 6m.
The length of his stay is not known. QSL via homecall.

9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
Sergiy,UV5EVJ, is working as 9Q0HQ/7 in CW and SSB on 80m-10m from
Lubumbashi during his spare time until May 22. He is part of the
UN mission MONUSCO. QSL via homecall.

C6, BAHAMAS
Gabriele,I2VGW, plans a trip around the Bahamas as C6AGW between Apr 26
and May 6. He will hand out some IOTA points mainly in digital modes
and SSB on 30m/17m/12m from New Providence (NA-001, LH 1115),
Bimini (NA-048, LH 2467), Berry (NA-054, LH 1903) and Long Island
(NA-001, LH 1898). QSL via homecall. See: http://www.mdxc.org/c6agw

C9, MOZAMBIQUE
Daniel,ZS6JR, is working in holiday style as C91JR from Bilene mainly
in RTTY or PSK withh 100 watts and a vertical until May 10.
QSL only direct via GI4FUM. See also: http://www.3da0ss.net

EY, TAJIKISTAN
Frank,DL8YHR, and Rene,PE1L, will be active via EME signing EY8ZF from
Tajikistan (Loc MM48jn) from Apr 27-29. QSL only direct via PE1L.
See also: http://www.emelogger.com/ey/default.asp?page=eme

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The special event station GB4WSF (EU-005, WLOTA 1841, Loc IO84) will
be activated on all bands during the silver jubilee of the annual
"Wray Scarecrow Festival" between Apr 28 and May 8. QSL via G1LAT.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN
Kasimir,DL2SBY, and Georg,DF1SR, will be QRV as HB0/DL2SBY in SSB, CW
and RTTY on 80m-10m from Apr 25 until May 5. Their equipment includes a
TS2000, Acom1010, Spider beam for 20-10m and a Butternut HF9V Vertical.
On VHF they will use the callsign HB0/DF1SR via EME. They plan to join
the Dubus EME Contest on 13cm on Apr 28/29 and want to work also on 6cm
and 9cm from Apr 30 till May 3. You can find them in the HB9Q chatroom.
This would be a first time EME operation from Liechtenstein on the last
two bands. Their VHF equipment is a TS2000, FT726R and a 3.7m dish.
QSLs via homecall.

JD1/OG, OGASAWARA ISLAND, AS-031
Koji,JI1LET/JD1, will be QRV again in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-6m from
Chichijima Islands (AS-031) between Apr 29 and May 5. QSL via homecall.

Makoto,JI5RPT, is also working from Chichijima (IOTA AS-031) signing
JD1BLY in CW/SSB/digital modes on 80-6m and via satellite also from
Apr 29 until May 5. QSL via homecall. See: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
and http://twitter.com/jd1bly

Toshio,JD1BLC, and the clubstation JD1YBT are active in CW/SSB/RTTY on
160m-6m during the same period of time from Ogasawara. QSL via JP1IOF.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Pete,W2GJ/KH0, will be QRV in all modes on 80m-10m (maybe also 6m)
from Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, Loc QK25uf) from Apr 29

until May 3. QSL via homecall.

KH2, GUAM, OC-026
After staying in Micronesia (see below) Kay,JH3AZC, plans to become
active from Guam (OC-026) as W2AZ/KH2 from May 5-6. QSL via homecall.

OD, LEBANON
Luigi,IV3XNF, is member of the "United Nations Interim Force" Mission
(UNIFIL) located on a military base in Lebanon from May until October.
During his spare time he wants to use his QRP station as OD5/IV3XNF/QRP
mainly in CW and digital modes on 80m-10m. See: http://iv3xnf.jimdo.com
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct and LoTW.

ON, BELGIUM
Robert,ON4LRG, Janny,ON5PO, Paul,ON6DP, Didier,ON6YH, Pierre,ON7PC,
and Jean,ON7ZM, are going to activate Hoyoux Castle (WCA: ON-00497,
BCA: LG-096) on all bands using OP0P/p or their homecalls on
Apr 29 from 0600-1000 UTC. QSLs for OP0P/p via ON6DP, LoTW or eQSL.

T8, PALAU, OC-009
Kan,AB2RF/JJ2RCJ, is going to hit the airwaves as T88RF from the
West Plaza by the Sea Hotel on Koror (OC-009) from Apr 30 until May 4.
Emphasis will be put on the digital modes (PSK63, RTTY, Hell) and the
lowbands. QSL via JJ2RCJ, LoTW.
See also: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/T88RF and
http://www.qsl.net/ab2rf/framepage1.html

UA, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
Serge,RQ1AP (ex RU9YT), plans to show up as RQ1AP/1 in BPSK from
Novgorod Kremlin (WCA: UA-00012, COTA-RU: C-112) and from
Belaya Tower (WCA: UA-00405, COTA-RU: C-138) on Apr 29/30.
QSOs count for the ETPA and the log will be uploaded to the WCA eLog.
QSLs via homecall.

UR, UKRAINE
The special event station EM350S celebrates the 350th anniversary of
the city Ivano-Frankivsk (Grid Loc. KN28) between May 1 and Jun 30.
They will operate in CW, SSB and digital modes on all HF bands and 6m.
QSL via UW8SM, LoTW and eQSL.

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-010
Kay,JH3AZC, announced to become active in CW, SSB and RTTY on HF
signing V63AZ from Pohnpei (OC-010) between Apr 30 and May 4.
QSL via homecall.

VE, CANADA
On the occasion of Marconi's birthday on April 25 the "Society of New-
foundland Radio Amateurs" (SONRA) wants to make a QSO from Signal Hill
in Newfoundland (NA-027) with Princess Elettra (Marconi) in Bologna.
QSL via VO1HE. See also: http://www.sonra.ca

The special event station VC2CBS30 celebrates the 30th anniversary of
the Sorel-Tracy Amateur Radio Club Inc (VE2CBS) in all modes on all

bands from May 1-30. QSL via VE2DWE.

W, USA
The "North Jersey DX Association" remembers the 75th anniversary of the
"Hindenburg" zeppelin disaster by activating the special event station
W2H from Apr 28 until May 12. They will be QRV from Lakehurst on May 6.
QSL via bureau, US stations unfortunately only direct.

SILENT KEY
Patrizio Ciancarini,I0KHP, passed away on Apr 8. He was founder and OP
of the Marconi memorial station IY0TC (ex IY0TCI).
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost them, but grateful that we could
get to know them as a radio friend. We will always keep them in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Apr 28/29 SP DX RTTY Contest
Apr 28/29 Helvetia Contest
Apr 28/29 Dubus EME Contest
Apr 29 BARTG Sprint 75

WAE DX SSB Contest
The WAE DX Contest Manager Joerg,DL8WPX/HB9FDJ, thanks everybody for
their participation. The final results are now available at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/results/ssb
Using the correct password you can download your personal UBN file from
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/results/ssb/ubn

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-079, JA6, Miyako Islands: Takeshi,JS6RRR, and Fusao,JA5DUR/JS6, will be
QRV from Miyako Island (WLOTA 0249, JCC 4714, JCG 47004, Loc PL24) from
Apr 26 till May 7. They will work in SSB/CW/RTTY/PSK31 on all HF bands.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

AS-146, BY4, Shandong Province North East group: Jun Jian Cong,BD4KYA/4,
Zhigang Rong,BD4KRB/4, and Yongwei Yu,BG4KLA/4, are working on HF from
Jiming Island (WLOTA 2489, Loc PM17FK) until May 3.
QSL via homecall (bureau), direct requests via BA4EG.

AS-147, JA8, Hokkaidos Coastal Islands: Yuki,JO2ASQ/8, makes a CW DXpedition
to Rebun Island (Apr 30-May 1) and Rishire Island (May 2/3).
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: Members of the "Camb-Hams group" will run
five stations with amps as GS3PYE/p from the Isle of Mull (Loc IO66vh)
between Apr 28 and May 5. Listen for them on 160m-10m and also on 6m,
4m, 2m and tests on 3cm.
They will make a side trip Lunga Island (EU-108) signing GS6PYE/p on
Apr 29/30. More information is available at: http://dx.camb-hams.com
QSLs for both calls via G3PYE (bureau) or M0VFC (direct).

EU-029, OZ, Sjaelland Archipelago: Some members of the Belgian UBA section
Diest will activate Lolland Island (EU-029, WLOTA 2773, DIA NS-001,
Loc JO54pq) as 5P5Y on all bands from Apr 29 until May 4.
QSL via ON4AMM (bureau/direct).
More details can be found at: http://www.on4dst.be/iota.html

EU-108, GM/MM, Treshnish Isles: Jim,MM0BQI, is working as GB5TI on the usual
IOTA frequencies from Lunga Island (IOSA NH17, SCOTIA DI09, WAB NH17)
between Apr 27 and May 1. QSL via GB5TI (LoTW or direct).
Bureau QSLs can be requested via e-mail to gb5ti.qsl@gmail.com

EU-172, OZ, Jylland East ans Fyn group: Noel,OZ/OO4O, will be QRV in SSB and
CW on the HF bands from Langeland Island between Apr 29 and May 5.
QSL via OO4O (bureau/direct/LoTW).

Lighthouse activities

C6AGW LH 1115 Apr 26-May 6
C6AGW LH 1903 Apr 26-May 6
C6AGW LH 2467 Apr 26-May 6
C6AGW LH 1898 Apr 26-May 6
GB4WSF LH 1841 Apr 26-May 8
JD1BLC LH 2269 Apr 29-May 5
JD1BLY LH 2269 Apr 29-May 5
JD1YBT LH 2269 Apr 29-May 5
JI1LET/JD1 LH 2269 Apr 29-May 5

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Unknown 3B8MM 1777 *
-30Apr 3G87IARU 1775
Unknown 3W7W 1768
-07May 3Z45HBW 1772
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772/1777 *
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
15Apr-20Apr 5P4LO 1775
-26Apr 5P4MG 1776
29Apr-04May 5P5Y 1777 *
21Mar- 5T0JL 1772
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
-Apr 5Z4RH ? 1674
6D0LM 1774
Unknown 6V7SIX 1770

-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-Dec 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
Unknown 9H3XX 1777 *
-22May 9Q0HQ/7 1777 *
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
23Apr-03May BD4KYA/4 1777 *
23Apr-03May BD4KRB/4 1777 *
23Apr-03May BG4KLA/4 1777 *
-Apr CE2/CX1EK 1762
26Apr-06May C6AGW 1777 *
-10May C91JR 1777 *
03Apr-30Apr CN2RN 1773
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Apr -Jun CY0/VE1AWW 1774
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-Apr ? D2SG 1748
? DL0SLITISA 1764
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763
14Apr-30Apr DT12AWC 1775

20Apr-25Apr E2E 1776
08Apr-27Apr E51BKM.. 1774
-31Dec E720RS 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
01May-30Jun EM350S 1777 *
27Apr-29Apr EY8ZF 1777 *
12Apr-26Apr FG4KH 1775
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul FR8NE 1710
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771
06Apr-26Apr GB100MGY 1774
Apr GB1OOC 1775
28Apr-08May GB4WSF 1777 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
27Apr-01May GB5TI 1777 *
GB80PW 1762
Apr GI100MGY 1773
28Apr-05May GS3PYE/p 1777 *
29Apr/30Apr GS6PYE/p 1777 *
Apr GX4BJC/A.. 1774

25Apr-05May HB0/DL2SBY.. 1777 *
17Apr-30Apr HF87WARD 1775
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
-12May HH8/EA3OW 1775
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764
-Apr HS0ZIQ 1765
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
21Apr IY0GA 1776
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
26Apr-07May JA5DUR/JS6 1777 *
29Apr-05May JD1BLC.. 1777 *
22Apr-04May JD1BMH 1760/1776
29Apr-05May JD1BLY 1777 *
29Apr-05May JI1LET/JD1 1777 *
26Apr-07May JS6RRR 1777 *
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773

-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Apr KC4AAC 1757
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
22Apr-04May KP4/VA3QSL 1776
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
Apr weekend M100T 1774
24Apr-28Apr MM0KLR 1776
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
14Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
01Apr-30Apr OO100MGY.. 1773
29Apr OP0P/p 1777 *
29Apr-05May OZ/OO4O 1777 *
-26Apr OZ7TM 1776
-30Apr P487IARU 1776
01Apr-28Apr PH100MGY 1773
-Mar/Apr PJ4/PE1MAE 1753

-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
29Apr-30Apr RQ1AP/1 1777 *
-30Apr S540DKR 1770
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
21Apr-28Apr SV9/OH1VR 1776
-Apr T6BP 1746
-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770

-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
30Apr-04May T88RF 1777 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
21Apr-26Apr TC57A 1776
21Apr-25Apr TM1F 1776
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
07Apr-08May TM95BA 1774
-Jul TN9SN 1755
16Apr-30Apr TO3X 1775

30Apr-04May V63AZ 1777 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
01May-30May VC2CBS30 1777 *
25Apr VO1AA 1777 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
05May/06May W2AZ/KH2 1777 *
29Apr-03May W2GJ/KH0 1777 *
28Apr-12May W2H 1777 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-30Apr XL3T 1771
-12Jun XV2W 1774
Unknown XW3DT 1766/1771
21Apr-05May YJ0VK 1776
22Apr-29Apr ZA100I 1776
-2014 ZY/14WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8MM via DL6UAA (B)
4J9SONG via DL7EDH (d)
4K12SONG via 4K4K (d)
4X02T via 4Z5FI
4U1GSC via 9A2AA (B)
5P4MG via DJ4MG (B)
5P5Y via ON4AMM (B)
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d)
7Q7PRO via W4PRO (B)
7S3F via SM3AF
8S50BQ via SM7BHM (B)
9H3XX via DJ2EH (B)
9Q0HQ/7 via UV5EVJ (B)
A43WARD via A47RS (B)
A60WARD via NI5DX (B)
BD4KYA/4 via BD4KYA (B), BA4EG (d)
BD4KRB/4 via BD4KRB (B), BA4EG (d)
BG4KLA/4 via BG4KLA (B), BA4EG (d)
C6AGW via I2VGW (B)

C91JR via GI4FUM (d)
CO8TW via HB9SVT (B), (L), eQSL
CW1GM via CX2ABC (B)
E77AW via E77E (B)
EA8/DL2DXA via DL2DXA (B)
EA8/HB9BIN via HB9BIN (B)
ED5URI via EA5URI
EG1DCL via EA1URV (B)
EG2ISN via EA2DXR (B)
EH1ARD via EA1AST (B), (L)
EH5MAV via EA5FJL (B)
EI/NG7M via NG7M (L), eQSL
EI0IMD via EI1NC (B)
EM350S via UW8SM (B), (L)
ES6/OH5LID via OH5LID (B)
EX8VZ via RW6HS (d)
EY8ZF via PE1L (d)
GB0CMS via G bureau
GB0NAW via MW1CFN (d)
GB100MPA via G3PLE (eQSL)
GB100MUC via MM1BHO (B)
GB1HMGY via G3SOU (B)
GB25IMD via G0FIC
GB2MB via M1OOO (d)
GB2MT via G bureau
GB2TH via G4SJM
GB40HMSB via G0TOC (B)
GB4M via M0DOL (B)
GB4MDI via GW0ANA (B)
GB4MHS via G4FON
GB4WSF via G1LAT (B)
GB5TI via G bureau
GB50RSARS via G0SWY (B)
GB5CQD via G0OKF (B)
GB8MD via M0PNN (B)
GS3PYE/p via G3PYE (B), M0VFC (d)
GS6PYE/p via G3PYE (B), M0VFC (d)
HB0/DL2SBY via DL2SBY (B)
HB0/DF1SR via DF1SR (B)
HB9WARD via HB9JOE (B), (L)
HH2/9A7GAE via 9A2TN(B)
HP1WW via OH0XX (B), (L), eQSL
IY0TC via IZ0KAT (B)
J28UC via F5RQQ (B), eQSL
J88LE via J88NEF
JA5DUR/JS6 via JA5DUR (B)
JD1BLC via JP1IOF (B), LoTW
JD1YBT via JP1IOF (B), LoTW
JD1BLY via JI5RPT (B)
JI1LET/JD1 via JI1LET (B)

JO2ASQ/8 via JA2ASQ (B)
LY18WARD via LY3BY (B), (L)
LZ1WARD via LZ1BFR (B)
MC0SHL via M0URX (B, also OQRS)
MN0VFW via MI0VAX (B)
OD5/IV3XNF via IV3XNF (d), (L)
ON150VAART via ON6UB (B)
OP0P/p via ON6DP (B), (L)
OZ/OO4O via OO4O (B), (L)
PR3A via PY3OZ (B), (L)
PW7T via PT7WA (B)
R150SPA via RK4CYW (B)
RQ1AP/1 via RQ1AP
S21B via KX7YT (B)
SK100MGY via SK6RM (B)
SK87WARD via SM bureau & LoTW
T88RF via JJ2RCJ (B), (L)
TC23NSN via YM3KT (d)
V63AZ via JH3AZC (B)
VC2CBS30 via VE2DWE
VO1AA via VO1HE (B)
VP8SGK via GM0HCQ (d)
W2AZ/KH2 via JH3AZC (B)
W2GJ/KH0 via W2GJ
W2H DX via (B), USA (d)
W3HF/KH2 via W3HF (B)
XV2W via W6NWS (B)
YW5PI via DM4TI (B)
ZP9MCE via EA5ZD
ZW7MGY via PR7ZAJ (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: FG5DH (4 weeks), LR2F (LU2FA), OZ/DH8WW (EU-172),
ZL8X (DJ2MX), 5R8VB & 7Q7VB (UA4WHX).
The call HV21ZG (as published in DXNL 1776) was wrong.
The correct call is V21ZG.

QSLs arrived LoTW: PY0SR (St. Peter & Paul Rocks 1991)

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DH5NBK,
DJ5AV, DJ9ZB, DL1SBF, DL2SBY, DL7MAE, DL8WPX, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX,
IZ2LSC, JI5RPT, NG3K, VA3RJ and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

623. eHam.net News for Wednesday 25 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-25 22:08:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ee36a7acc04be881b9b@google.com>
Source record: 3140
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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When Storms Topple Towers, Ham Radio Can Help Save The Day:

Posted: 24 Apr 2012 05:35 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28158

When modern communications systems in Nebraska were knocked out by recent tornadoes and severe storms, local officials had no way of calling for help or reporting damage. That's where amateur radio, or "HAM" operators stepped in. Tom Reis, a Skywarn coordinator for the National Weather Service, says HAM operators are a valuable asset who can get out messages that help save lives. "The National Weather Service recognizes the importance of ground truth information and a variety of methods to get that information to them at the Weather Service office," Reis says. "And one of those methods is via amateur radio. The Weather Service has a quite extensive amateur radio station that they staff when the time arises, when the need arises." HAM radio operators can confirm sightings of severe weather as it approaches and damage after the storm passes, while providing communications support to local officials.

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Vertical Dxpedition:

Posted: 23 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28157

Daniel ZS6JR and my self ZS6DJD will be operating from Mozambique for Seven to ten days starting on the 3th or 4th of may 2012 depending how quick we get the equipment up. The idea was to park next to a small lake in Shai Shai Mozambique 400 km north of the capital and operate all vertical antennas with the earth wires in the water and see what we could do.

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New Rotor Comes to Ham Market:

Posted: 23 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28155

At the VISALIA DX convention a new rotor was unveiled:

624. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 26 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-26 06:18:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ee3cf6dd504be8ef5eb@google.com>
Source record: 3141
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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TARS HAMFEST - 2012. Tidelands Amateur Radio Society, Inc. July 14, 2012.

Posted: 24 Apr 2012 07:00 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343742-TARS-HAMFEST-2012-Tidelands-Amateur-Radio-Society-Inc-July-14-2012&goto=newpost

TARS HAMFEST - 2012. Saturday July 14,2012 in Texas City,Texas. 8:00 am - 2:00 pm.

The Tidelands Amateur Radio Society, Inc. is proud to host the TARS Hamfest -2012 in Texas City,Texas. This is our 25th year!

The location is the Doyle Convention Center at 2010-5th Ave.North in Texas City,Texas 77590. The talk in frequency is 147.140 + PL 167.9, Back up is 442.025 + PL 103.5.

Please see our website at www.tidelands.org for complete details.

We will have the following; Vendors, Flea market, Forums, Hourly prizes, Grand prize, Fox hunt, Left foot CW contest, VE testing, QSL card checking, Food, Free parking & Much more!

Come and join us in Texas City for the TARS HAMFEST - 2012!

Remember to save the date! Saturday JULY 14, 2012. 8:00 am - 2:00 pm.

625. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 26 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-26 11:05:55 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410ab6c76bf04be92f867@google.com>
Source record: 3142
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0Sry9xTQpr0/april_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During the week the DX was there but signals were not strong and many
operators gave up. There were plenty of opportunities to work IARU stations
and even ET3AA (Ethiopia) was about. I did shout loud and long but to no
avail. I think he may well be the last/only operator there. No doubt
someone will correct me if I’m wrong

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Ofcom Consultation on Draft Interference Regulations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9AnoS4qqwsc/ofcom_consultation_on_draft_interference_regulations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has published a consultation on draft regulations to create the
Wireless Telegraphy Regulations 2012 to control interference from apparatus
during the London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games

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Successful ARISS contact with Istituto Comprensivo in Calolziocorte, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iFEXRoVGboY/ariss_event_success_2404.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Tuesday, April 24, students at Istituto Comprensivo di Calolziocorte and
Scuola Media, Calolziocorte, Italy established ARISS contact with NASA
astronaut Donald R. Pettit KD5MDT onboard the International Space Station

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tf1XL7prtRk/april_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Eurovision Song Contest special callsigns

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vPvwNB_Gk30/eurovision_song_contest.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A number of amateur radio stations in Azerbaijan will be operating special
event stations with the suffix SONG or S0NG during the "Eurovision Song
Contest" until Jun 15

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Uganda operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xKXWssPVCvs/uganda_operation.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Freddy, F5IRO, is expected to be in Uganda on a work assignment starting
early May through June

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IV3XNF in Lebanon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-o3RVq_67Jg/iv3xnf_in_lebanon.htm?utm_s
ource=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Luigi, IV3XNF, will be on a United Nations Interim Force (UNIFIL) mission
in Lebanon between May and October

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Canada IOTA operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SBmAR2TjI9k/canada_iota_operation.htm?u
tm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Operators Dick AH6EZ and Harry K9DXA plan to be active as YV0/homecall from
Rankin Inlet, Nunavut Province [Canada's largest and newest federal
territory], between June 21st and July 2nd

626. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 26 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-26 12:21:56 UTC
From: Thermionic Onion <punkbiscuit@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <ea197411-b9be-4e4d-9dd6-36c718f57bf0@12g2000vba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3143
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Apr 26, 1:16 pm, Spike <Aero.Spike@S&T.invalid> wrote:
> Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed wrote:
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> >//
> >Tony's 10-metre band report
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> >Posted:
> >http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0Sry9xTQpr0/april_...
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> >and even ET3AA (Ethiopia) was about. I did shout loud and long but to no
> >avail. I think he may well be the last/only operator there. No doubt
> >someone will correct me if I’m wrong
>
> Is there such a thing as a Worked All Failed States Award?
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> I'll bet that'll be a difficult one to get.

Getting easier and easier these days.

Even G land will be on the list soon, but the RSGB will be holding
ransome any QSL cards for it from now on ;-)

627. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 26 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-26 12:40:07 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20120426134007.00004212@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 3144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Thu, 26 Apr 2012 13:16:24 +0100
Spike <Aero.Spike@S&T.invalid> wrote:

> Is there such a thing as a Worked All Failed States Award?

Well if one starts up you will be able to bask in the warmth of its
invention.

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Brian Morrison

628. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 26 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-26 16:10:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba981de2d8d04be973766@google.com>
Source record: 3145
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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UKRANIAN MINI-EXPEDITION(WFF PROGRAM) with ki6eeo . EO5UFF from
URFF-0084 .MAY 1-2

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 02:11 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343826-UKRANIAN-MINI-EXPEDITION(-WFF-PROGRAM)-with-ki6eeo-EO5UFF-from-URFF-0084-MAY-1-2&goto=newpost

From the end of April-2012 till beginning of June-2012

I will visit a country I was born- UKRAINE, East Europe

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ukraine, in English ,

later, on pictures of expeditions you will see always two

flags -AMERICAN and GERMAN, because of my dual citizenship.

Ukranian hamradio enthusiasts invited me to the

two mini-expeditions,two Hamfests and UCC Conference!

(UCC= Ukranian Contest Club)

ENTIRE MAY 2012 I WILL WORK AS : UT / ki6eeo ,

YOU CAN TALK TO ME IN ENGLISH, GERMAN and RUSSIAN .

So, let me explain my trip in details.

wfflogo.jpg

May 1-2, 2012

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Mini-expedition ,WFF Programm (World Flora and Fauna)

http://wff4x4.com/ , USE GOOGLE TRANSLATE if YOU WANT TO READ IN
ENGLISH/GERMAN, etc...

NATIONAL RESERVATION PARK - DELTA of DNEPR/DESNA Rivers ,

URFF-0084 (Ukranian WFF program)

OUR CALLSIGN : EO5UFF

I also will work as UT / ki6eeo in May 2012.

TEAM 4x4 WFF Expeditions Group : (EO5UFF)

UR4UHE - Igor, US5UFF - Olga, US5WCP - Victor, US1GBH - Alex, UT4UJA - Vlad,

KI6EEO - Alex, UT5EMU - Sergey, UX7FB - Inna, SWL - Alex, SWL - Artem.

Mods :CW, SSB, FM, RTTY, PSK, JT65A.

Freqs: 80m , 40m, 30m, 20m, 17m, 10m, 2m.

QSL via US5UFF.

EXPEDITION LOG can be seen electronically in WFF LogSearch

GENERAL INFO :

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http://www.wff44.org/ ,

http://www.ew4dx.org/WFFsearch.html,

World Flora Fauna (WFF) is an International Award Program which aims to unite nature conservation for Flora Fauna and Amateur Radio. It is organized to attract attention of the World to the problems of protected areas and to

provide them with feasible practical support, to waken a feeling of pride in the minds of the Earths population for natural and cultural heritage, for visiting National Parks and Nature Reserves and also making contacts with them

from the Amateur Radio prospective.

The Program was launched in 2008 under the auspices of International Foundation World Flora Fauna and RRC. For you to get a WFF Award you need to contact locations africapossessing an official status of National Parks

or Nature Reserves which are listed in the WFF Program and their directory.

In the WFF Directory you have a list from WFF Database of National Parks and Nature Reserves throughout the World.

Also, during a QSO each of the Countries provides a reference number, for example: GFF-013 (UK), RFF-002 (Russia), UNFF-003 (Kazakhstan) etc, which corresponds to a particular National Park or Nature Reserve.

Moreover, the Internet site contains a Database (which is continually being updated and added to with your information) that has an indication from which location one or another station is working. We welcome any help

possible in WFF Database formation based on the past experience of work valid for the WFF Programme.

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0084_03_US5UFF Olga.jpg0084_04_EM44U-GreenDay-2010.jpg

May 4-6,2012

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I am invited by "SARMAT" hamradio club, Tokmak City

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tokmak,_Ukraine , in English

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zaporizhia , in English

Members of the club organized mini-expedition to the

Monomakh Tumulus, military historical place (on May 5, 2012)

I will work as UT / ki6eeo

May 11-13 ,2012

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Donetsk's Region Hamfest

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Donetsk

May 18-20, 2012

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UCC Conference

http://www.ucc.zp.ua/ , use GOOGLE TRANSLATE,please.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zaporizhia , in English

I will work as UT / ki6eeo

June 1-3, 2012

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Chuguev Hamfest, near Kharkov (ukranian first capital),

biggest ukranian Hamfest.

I will work as UT / ki6eeo

Attached Images

wfflogo.jpg
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0084_01_EO5UFF_QSL.jpg
(99.9 KB)

0084_02_EM44U-URFF-FAMILY.jpg
(279.8 KB)

0084_03_US5UFF Olga.jpg
(309.2 KB)

0084_04_EM44U-GreenDay-2010.jpg
(254.3 KB)

629. The ARRL Letter for April 26, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-26 20:08:27 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120426193328.D34A624409@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3146
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Letter

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==> + DAYTON HAMVENTION: ARRL EXPO -- WHERE THE DX COMES TO YOU!
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As part of the ARRL EXPO -- part of the 2012 Dayton Hamvention® -- the ARRL is pleased to present a plethora of DX activities. Visitors to the ARRL EXPO will see a lot of DX activities, including DXCC card checking and a chance to drop off QSL cards for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau, as well as representatives from the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) and IARU Member-Societies. The Dayton Hamvention will take place May 18-20 at Hara Arena, located near Dayton, Ohio. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-expo-at-the-dayton-hamvention-where-the-dx-comes-to-you-1>.

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==> + ON THE AIR: WPX AWARDS VIA LOTW ENTERS BETA TESTING
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Earlier this year, the ARRL and CQ Communications announced that the ARRL will provide support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) electronic confirmation system. The WPX Award is the first of the CQ-sponsored awards that LoTW will support. "We had originally planned to introduce this new program in early April, but due to the introduction of the new DXCC fee structure and our new Online DXCC application, we had to push the date back," explained ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B. "We are now beta testing the program with a select group of hams and are looking forward to launching to LoTW-WPX partnership in the first part of May." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/wpx-awards-via-lotw-enters-beta-testing>.

==> + ARRL THANKS RADIO AMATEURS WHO FILED COMMENTS

In April, the FCC put out a Public Notice <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-public-comments-on-emergency-communications-by-amateur-radio-and-impediments-to-amateur-ra>, requesting comments regarding a Congress-mandated study to assess Amateur Radio's role in emergency and disaster communications and the impact of private land use regulations on the amateur community's ability to provide such communications. The ARRL asked that the amateur community forward comments directly to the ARRL so that it could use them to develop its comments -- more than 1200 radio amateurs responded! These comments will be reviewed in the next few weeks and used to help bolster the ARRL's formal response by the FCC's May 17 deadline. Thanks to everyone who took the time to send their comments!

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: APPLY TO HOST A REAL-TIME CONVERSATION WITH ISS CREWMEMBERS

NASA is now accepting proposals from US schools, museums, science centers and community youth organizations to host an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS <http://www.arrl.org/amateur-radio-on-the-international-space-station>) contact between November 1, 2012 and May 1, 2013. To maximize these radio contact opportunities, NASA is looking for organizations that will draw large numbers of participants and integrate the contact into a well-developed education plan. Proposals are due July 2, 2012.

Using Amateur Radio, students can ask astronauts questions about life in space and other space-related topics. Students fully engage in the ARISS contact by helping set up an Amateur Radio ground station at the school and then using that station to talk directly with a crew member on the International Space Station for approximately 10 minutes. ARISS has a network of mentors to help organizations obtain the technology required to host this exciting opportunity for your students.

Interested parties should contact NASA's Teaching From Space office via e-mail <JSC-TFS-ARISS@mail.nasa.gov> to obtain complete information, the proposal/application form. You can find more information here <http://www.nasa.gov/audience/foreducators/teachingfromspace/students/ariss.h

tml>.

==> + FIELD DAY: REGISTER YOUR ARRL FIELD DAY SITE ON THE FIELD DAY LOCATOR

First introduced in 2008, the ARRL's Field Day Station Locator Service <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> has proved a popular addition to the Field Day toolbox. This service -- an interactive map that helps amateurs or those interested in Amateur Radio find a Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> site near them -- is free to clubs or individuals who will be operating public Field Day stations. Stations can also be listed by state or province. So far, hams in 49 states, Puerto Rico and eight Canadian provinces, as well as a station located just outside Bogot&#65533;, Colombia, have listed Field Day sites on the Field Day Locator. If your group would like to be a part of the Station Locator Service, it's easy to get started -- just go to the Field Day Station Locator website <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator> and follow the instructions. ARRL Field Day is the most popular on-the-air operating event in Amateur Radio. On June 23-24, join tens of thousands of radio amateurs as they gather for a public demonstration of the Amateur Service.

==> SUPPORT ARRL: ATTENTION FEDERAL EMPLOYEES: ARRL APPROVED FOR 2012 COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN!

For the past 11 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL to participate in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), the annual giving campaign for federal employees. In that time, this campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated almost $192,000 for ARRL programs. The CFC provides an easy way to support the ARRL's effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs. Similar to the United Way, the CFC encourages individuals employed in all branches of the federal government to pledge by payroll deduction to non-profit organizations of their choice. The ARRL encourages eligible radio amateurs to consider the League when designating campaign recipients. Payroll deduction through the CFC is an easy way for participants to support ARRL over and above their annual membership. Such contributions support programs that are not funded by member dues, enriching ARRL's ability to serve its members and all of Amateur Radio. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/attention-federal-employees-arrl-approved-for-2012-combined-federal-campaign>.

==> + INTERNATIONAL NEWS: ITU TELECOM WORLD 2012 CONFERENCE SEEKING PARTICIPANTS FOR YOUNG INNOVATORS PROGRAM

As part of ITU Telecom World 2012 -- scheduled for October 14-18 in Dubai -- the conference will present the Young Innovators Program. With its theme of Youth Innovation for Development, the Young Innovators Competition is a chance for the next generation of young visionaries to demonstrate their ideas and innovations on this global stage and show

how their fresh digital thinking can change the world for the better. The program seeks to attract dynamic, engaged young people and identify projects with a genuine potential to succeed. The goal of the program is to build a cohesive international community of highly talented of social entrepreneurs from age 18-25 who are working on ICT-based initiatives from the conceptual stage through to projects in areas of critical relevance to the burning issues facing the world today. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/itu-telecom-world-2012-conference-seeking-participants-for-young-innovators-program>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "When the Sun gives way to April showers <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vMCU7OF3sVM>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity revived over the past week, with a big increase in sunspot numbers. On Friday, April 20, the daily sunspot number reached 162; four days later on April 24, the number reached 169. This level of activity has not been seen since last fall, when the daily sunspot number reached 173 on September 16, 184 on October 21 and 208 on November 9. The average daily sunspot numbers more than doubled over the previous week's average, rising 73 points to 144.7, while the average daily solar flux was 133.9, an increase of nearly 29 points. Associated with all this was a rise in geomagnetic activity, peaking with a planetary A index of 35 on Tuesday, April 24. The geomagnetic activity increase was due to several solar flares launched from new sunspots. The latest forecast shows the solar flux at 125 on April 26, 120 on April 27-29, 115 on April 30, 110 on May 1-2, 105 on May 3-4, 110 on May 5-6, 115 on May 7-8, 120 on May 9, 130 on May 10-12, 135 on May 13, 140 on May 14-17, and down to 135 on May 18-21. Predictions for the planetary A index are 25, 15, 6, 5, 5, 8 and 6 on April 26-May 2, 5 on May 3-7, rising to 8, 12, 15 and 10 on May 8-11, and back down to 5 on May 12-19. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, April 27. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Al Jolson's April Showers <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/April_Showers_%28song%29>.

==> + ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE SET FOR ATLANTA

The dates have been set -- September 21-23 -- for the 31st Annual ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC <http://www.tapr.org/dcc>) in Atlanta at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel. The DCC schedule includes forums, demonstrations, a Saturday evening banquet and an in-depth Sunday seminar. This conference is for everyone with an interest in digital communications -- from beginner to expert. Technical papers are also being solicited for the conference proceedings. You do not have to attend the conference to have your paper included. The submission deadline is July 31. Please send papers to Maty Weinberg, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111, or you can

make your submission via e-mail <maty@arrl.org>. Papers will be published exactly as submitted and authors will retain all rights. For more information, please see the DCC website <http://www.tapr.org/dcc> or call TAPR at 972-671-8277.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- April 27 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- April 28-29 -- Florida QSO Party; Nebraska QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (Digital); SP DX RTTY Contest; Helvetia Contest; QRP to the Field
- April 29 -- BARTG Sprint 75
- May 1 -- AGCW QRP/QRP Party

Next week:

- May 4 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 5 -- Microwave Spring Sprint (local time)
- May 5-6 -- New England QSO Party; Indiana QSO Party; 7th Call Area QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (CW); ARI International DX Contest; Araucaria VHF Contest
- May 8 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- May 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>, Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>, Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>, Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers, Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,

Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electro
nics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 4 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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630. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 27 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-27 06:10:09 UTC
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Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d2e2b97c004bea2f4c4@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Quebec Provincial HAMFEST May 20 2012

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 11:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343939-Quebec-Provincial-HAMFEST-May-20-2012&goto=newpost

Quebec Provincial HAMFEST May 20 2012

Sponsor: Sorel-Tracy VE2CBS ARC

Start date: Sunday, May 20, 2012

End date: Sunday, May 20, 2012

Location :Sorel-Tracy Québec 70km from Montreal 1½ hour from the US border

Directions to location: Highway 30 east from Montréal

Highway 20 road 122 from the east and south

Opening times: Sellers set up: 6 AM

Doors open to Public: 9 AM to 12 PM

Cost: Admission: $8 per person. Vendors: $15 per table, includes 1 admission.

Early bird admission at 6AM 15$

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For more info: Table reservations and info contact: Luc Leblanc 450-743-8676

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Webpage: http://www.hamfest.qc.ca/

631. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1811 - April 27 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-27 09:00:15 UTC
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1811 - April 27 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1811 with a release date of April 27th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Japan says it will be launching 16 educational ham-sats; NASA says now is time for educators to request I-S-S contacts for 2013; UK hams learn of ham band restrictions during the 2012 Olympics; US hams will not be affected by Part 90 narrow-banding and a new video on VHF and UHF digital audio is on-line. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1811 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: JAPAN TO LAUNCH 16 NEW EDUCATIONAL HAM-SATS

Japan says that it plans to launch sixteen educational satellites over the next two years. The tiny birds are currently under construction in Japan with the first launch to take place on May 17th followed by the others in as rapid succession as possible. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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The first of the new birds to be launched will be the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology. Its mission is to take pictures of the Earth using a small C-MOS camera called SCAMP that was developed by the University of Surrey in the UK. The SCAMP camera takes a 640x480 pixel picture in the popular JPEG format. That means from 700 km altitude, one pixel corresponds to 1.6 km.

HORYU-2 will be followed in July by the transport of several items to the International Space Station. This mission will deliver the Japanese Experiment Module Small Satellite Orbital Deployer or JEM along with the Japanese CubeSats WE-WISH, FITSAT-1 and RAIKO. These CubeSats should be deployed from the ISS in September using the JEM and robot arm.

FITSAT-1 may be the most interesting of these. It will use a neodymium magnet for attitude control. It will also have multiple downlinks. These include CW on 437.250 MHz, AX.25 on 437.445 MHz and a 4 watt high speed data transmitter on 5840 MHz. The latter is capable of sending a

640 by 480 VGA JPEG image in 6 seconds.

In addition to its other experiments, FITSAT-1 will also carry a set of high power LED's that will be driven with 100W pulses to produce extremely bright flashes. It is hoped, will be observable by the unaided eye or with small binoculars from the ground. Both the 5840 MHz and optical downlinks have a high power consumption so it may be that they are only activated only over Japan.

In December the TSUBAME satellite is planned to be launched on a Japanese H-IIA booster. It will carry a CW beacon on 437.250 MHz and AX.25 packet at 1200 and 9600 bit per second telemetry on 437.505 MHz. The remaining satellites will be placed into orbit on subsequent flights.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, bear Burwick, Pennsylvania.

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Further information on all the satellites can be found on line at www.uk.amsat.org/6691 (AMSAT-UK, JA-AMSAT)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NASA OPENS PROPOSAL CYCLE FOR 2013 CLASSROOM ISS CONTACTS

NASA's Teaching From Space Office has announced a new proposal cycle for United States ARISS school contacts. Proposals may be submitted from April 23rd through July 2nd for contacts that will be scheduled beginning in January 2013.

NASA says that informational sessions will be held to answer any questions concerning the proposal process. To attend a session or to have questions answered, contact the Teaching From Space office by e-mail to JSC-TFS-ARISS (at) mail (dot) nasa (dot) gov. You can also call the office during normal business hours Eastern time at 281-244-1919. More information is on the Teaching From Space website at tinyurl.com/teach-from-space. (NASA)

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RADIO SAFETY: RADIO HOBBYIST LOOSES LIFE IN ANTENNA ACCIDENT

A sad story from down-under where a radio hobbyist has been killed in a strange accident. Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News is here with whats known so far:

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Police are investigating the death of a man who fell from his vehicle onto an antenna at his hobby farm. The 51 year-old man is believed to have suffered fatal injuries after he fell onto the 20 meter high metal antenna at the Cunderdin property in Western Australia.

Police spokeswoman Ros Weatherall said the antenna was used for surveying services, and had been removed by the man from the roof rack of his Landcruiser utility before the incident. Initial investigations reveal that he may have slipped from the top of the car and fallen onto the antenna.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News in Australia.

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As we go to air the victim has not been identified by authorities. Nor is it known if he may have been a VK radio amateur. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/7kehv5s (VK4BAT, WIA News)

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2012 OLYMPICS: UK REGULATOR OFCOM ANNOUNCES HAM BAND RESTRICTIONS DURING 2012 OLYMPICS

Details of amateur band frequency restrictions during the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games have now been released by U-K Telecommunications regulator Ofcom. The greatest impact to ham radio appears to be satellite and other operations in the 436 to 437 Mhz segment of 70 centimeters. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, explains why:

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Parts of the 70, 13 and 9 centimeter amateur bands in the United Kingdom will face restrictions between June 28th and September 23rd. This, due to need for spectrum during the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The restrictions only apply in geographically limited areas, with 70cm being particularly affected around London and Weymouth. Also hard hit by the restrictions will be ham radio satellite operations.

According to a notice on the AMSAT-UK web site the Amateur-satellite Service allocation in the 435 to 438 MHz range will be restricted to 436.25 to 437.25 MHz. This is based on an understanding that the equipment being used for Olympics communications in the 430 MHz band will include handheld FM rigs at the hotels, the routes to the venues and at the venues themselves.

The U-K communications regulator Ofcom say the use of radio by amateurs in the designated areas could cause interference to various communications at the games. Also, it is possible that higher power transmissions from outside these areas could cause interference as well. Consequently, to avoid the risk of interference, Ofcom has requested that United Kingdom amateurs do not operate within the frequency ranges it has outlined. This says AMSAT-UK means that the spectrum identified by Ofcom should be avoided for a considerable distance outside the designated Olympic communications zones.

AMSAT-UK notes that a well equipped station on a good site 75 km or more from the edge of an Olympics communications zone could still put a fairly decent signal into that area.

Newsline did a bit of research and found that the closest heavily populated mainland European city to London appears to be Calais, France. This is mainly over water path only about 93 airline miles or 149 kilometers away from the closest Olympic venue.

That said, Ofcom has so far not asked the French or any other European telecommunications administrations to restrict their nations Amateur Service allocations during the Olympic and Paralympic games.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Norm Seeley, KI7UP, far from the U-K in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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More on this is on-line at www.uk.amsat.org/6574 and RSGB.org/olympics. (GB2RS, AMSAT-UK, ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W7KYC repeater serving Portland Oregon.

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RADIO RULES: US PART 97 HAM RADIO NOT AFFECTED BY FCC PART 90 NARROWBANDING

A lot of mis-information is going around in amateur radio FM and repeater circles regarding an upcoming FCC mandate on narrow-banding communications in the 150 to 512 MHz spectrum is finally being debunked. Ham radio is not affected by this change as we hear from Amateur radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK:

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Much of the mis-information regarding narrowband on amateur radio FM appears to be coming from hams who have purchased various low cost Part 90 radios built in China. These radios are capable of narrowband operation on the 2 meter and 70 centimeter ham bands in addition to Part 90 frequencies.

The manuals that come with these radios are written with Part 90 users in mind and much of the material has no meaning to Part 97 Amateur Service operations. However, some hams do not realize this and that's likely the way the erroneous rumors that ham radio FM and repeater operations at 70 centimeters and above would have to narrowband got started.

To make it clear, ham radio is not affected in any way by this FCC edict and your ham gear is not going to become obsolete.

The switch to 12.5 KHz from the current 25 KHz channel spacing only affects operations in the FCC Part 90 regulated services. There is no narrow band mandate by the FCC for Part 97 ham radio operations. Hams are free to voluntarily switch to narrowband operations if they so desire, but the Amateur Part 97 Service as a whole is not obligated to make any change.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Once again, ham radio is in no way affected by the switch of Part 90 to narrowband operation. What ham radio decides is strictly up to those within the hobby to determine. (Repeater Remailer, ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SAYS IT WONT RECONSIDER NYC $10000 FINE

The FCC has told Alexander Kissi, that he must pay a $10,000 fine for operating of an unlicensed radio broadcast station on the frequency 96.5 MHz in Bronx, New York. In its April 20th Memorandum Opinion and Order, the FCC noted that back on February 28 and March 1, 2008, agents in the Enforcement Bureau's New located the unlicensed transmitter at a two-story building on White Plains Road in the Bronx. After completing the field strength measurements the agents returned to conduct a station inspection. The agents spoke to a man who worked there and a woman who was doing a live radio broadcast from a small broadcast studio. In response to agents' questions both the man and the woman stated that Alexander Kissi was in charge of the station, but that he was not there at the time. The agents reached Kissi by phone on March 6, 2008, at which time he took full responsibility for operation of the station.

On June 18, 2008, the New York Office issued Mr. Kissi a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter and proposing a forfeiture in the amount of $10,000. Mr. Kissi did not file a response to the NAL. So on September 11,2008, the Enforcement Bureau's Northeast Region issued a Forfeiture Order affirming the findings and assessing a $10,000 forfeiture.

That's when Kissi filed an appeal in which he claimed that he was out of town at the time the unlicensed transmissions took place. He also asserted that a construction worker had stolen his radio transmission equipment for the purpose of selling. Also that when the construction worker was doing equipment tests, he mistakenly left the equipment running for several days.

But in denying the appeal the FCC says that Kissi does not meet any of the three criteria that would allow the Bureau to consider his

Petition. This is because Kissi accepted responsibility for the unauthorized operation just five days after the violation. Therefore his new assertions regarding the theft of his radio transmission equipment directly contradicts his March 6, 2008, admission to an FCC agent that he was fully responsible for the operation of the station on February 28, 2008, and March 1, 2008.

Given that it finds this newly-presented information unsubstantiated and unreliable, the FCC says that it does not believe that further consideration of the Petition would serve the public interest. For these reasons, the FCC says it finds no basis for reconsideration and therefore affirms the finding in the Forfeiture Order. Its given Kissi the customary 30 days to pay the $10,000 fine or take the matter to further appeal. (FCC)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: MORE HAMS NEEDED FOR PROJECT BREAD WALK COMMUNICATIONS IN BOSTON

Eric Horwitz, KA1NCF, tells Newsline that there is still need for more volunteer ham radio operators for this years Boston, Massachusetts area Project Bread Walk for Hunger. The walk takes place Sunday, May 6th and is the 44th ouuting of the event.

Horowitz says that they need people to provide communications support for the Project Bread Staff and volunteers along the 20 mile route. If you will be in the Boston area on May 6th and are interested in helping out this year, go to www.mmra.org/wfh to log in and fill out the signup form. (KA1NCF)

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HAMVENTION 2012: UNPAID RESERVED GREEN FLEA SPACES NOW AVAILABLE FOR RENT

Any reserved Dayton Hamvention Flea Market Green booth space that has not been paid for or payment armaments made have been released and are available for rental.

According to the Hamvention's Assistant Flea Market Chairman Stan Leeds, KC7EHJ, to find out what is available simply just take your web browser to tinyurl.com/flea-spaces-green. Then scroll to the bottom of the left side of the screen and click the "View Floor Plan" link. This will give a map of rented, reserved and available spaces. From this link you can also use the web portal for ordering a space if you so desire. (Hamventionc Remailer)

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HAM VIDEO: DIGITAL MOBILE RADIO ON HAM RADIO NOW

The future of digital audio in VHF and UHF amateur radio is the subject of a video conversation between video producer Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, and

expert Jeff Parker, WA1WXL, who works for Motorola Solutions. The video presents a discussion of alternative digital audio systems available today and what may be coming to the ham radio market in the very near future. You can see it on line as Episode 7 of Pearce's Ham Radio New series. The URL is hamradionow.tv. (Various)

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HAM RADIO PROMOTION: FREE POSTERS FROM THE RSGB

The Radio Society of Great Britain has made available a collection of high quality amateur radio promotional posters that can be used when demonstrating the hobby to the general public. These posters are in Adobe .PDF format are being provided free of charge to the amateur radio community for the purpose of promoting the hobby.

It should be noted that the posters do contain the RSGB logo and contact information making then basically more useful to UK hams than others. You can see them and download them at www.rsgb.org/posters. (RSGB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3RXA NAMED DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR RAC N/E. ONTARIO REGION

Glenn MacDonell, VE3XRA of Ottawa is the new Deputy Director for Radio Amateurs of Canada, North East Ontario Region. By way of background, VE3XRA was employed by the Canadian Federal Government in various departments as diverse as Environmental issues to Foreign Affairs.

Bill Unger, VE3XT, is the North East Ontario Regional Director for the Canadian national society. He says that MacDonell will bring some iportent administration, innovation and management skills to Radio Amateurs of Canads. As such Unger says that he is looking forward to working with him as part of the North-East Ontario team. (RAC)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: AUTHOR ROBERT L. SHRADER, W6BNB -S.K.

The changing of the guard in amateur radio continues. This with the sad news that writer and author Robert L. Shrader, W6BNB, became a Silent Key on Wednesday, April 11th.

The author of numerous books and articles dealing with almost every area of communications, possibly his best known work was the textbook Electronic Communications, which was first published in 1959 and is currently in its 6th edition from McGraw Hill.

Robert Shrader, W5BNB, is survived by his wife Dorothy, W6ECU, a son Doug, KJ6TEJ, and daughter Patricia. At the time of his passing Robert Shrader was age 98. (PressDemocrat, others)

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WORLDBEAT - JAPAN: ULTRA THIN FLEXIBLE BATTERIES EXPECTED IN 2013

In news from around the world, an ultra-thin flexible battery is on its way from Japan electronic giant NEC. According to reports, the company has worked for over a decade to design an organic battery is just one one-hundredth of an inch thick, can refresh a teeny screen 2,000 times and can be recharged in less than a minute.

In 2013, the battery is expected to be included in such items as enhanced credit and debit cards that display balances, electronic hotel keys, subway and train passes, and in much slimmer and lighter smart phones. The organic battery is also expected to pave the way for slender flat-screen displays and e-readers with a texture that feels like paper. (Kiplinger, CGC)

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WORLDBEAT - CANADA: ONTARIO EXPECTED TO EXTEND HAM RADIO HAND HELD DEVICE LAW ANOTHER FIVE YEARS

Some good news for hams living in the Canadian Province of Ontario. You likely will be able to continue to operate mobile using a hand mic or other hand held device for at least another 60 months.

On April 16th the Ontario Ministry of Transportation posted a regulatory notice proposing a change to Ontario motor vehicle regulations that deal with the use of display screens and hand-held devices in motor vehicles. If approved it would extend the present exemption for licensed amateur radio operators for an additional five years.

As previously reported, Radio Amateurs of Canada has been lobbying for a permanent exemption for ham radio since this regulation was first enacted back in 2009. The current exemption was due to expire at the end of this calendar year. (VE3XT, RAC)

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ON THE AIR: W4F COMMEMORATES 2010 NASHVILLE FLOODS

Back in the USA, Tennessee's Sumner County ARES team will be hosting a special event station W4F on Saturday, May 12th. This to commemorate the 2nd Anniversary of the 2010 Nashville Flood and give recognition to the amateur radio community that responded to that disaster.

W4F will be on the air from 10 am to 7 pm Central Standard Time. If you make contact, QSL via WR1Q at his call book address. More is on-line at specialevent.sumnerares.org (N4WRD)

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DX

In DX, word that DL6UAA will once again be back on Mauritius as 3B8MM, but the length of his stay is unknown at this time. His on the air activity is usually on 160 through 10 meters using mostly CW. Some SSB and Digital will also be possible. QSL via DL6UAA, either via the Bureau or direct.

IRO, is expected to be in Uganda on a work assignment starting early May. He is hoping to get a license during the first week of his arrival. Once secured, listen out for him on CW on the upper HF bands, especially on 10 MHz. QSL routes include F8DFP, the French Cureau or direct with a self addressed envelope and include one I-R-C.

J28AA will once again be active as 6O3A from Somalia between May 25th and the 31st. His operation will be on SSB, RTTY and 50 MHz. QSL via K2PF.

F5VHJ will operate the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest from Senegak as 6W1RY this October. He plans to be on as a Single-Operator All-Band High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct, by the Bureau or Logbook of the World.

Members of the Oceania DX Group be operational as YJ0VK from Efate Island, Vanuatu through May 5th. Activity will be on all HF bands 160-10 meters, with an emphasis on 30/17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via VK2CA, direct or by the Bureau.

Lastly DJ2EH is currently active as 9H3XX from Malta. The length of his stay is not known at this time but he has been heard on 30, 17, 12 and 6 meters using CW. QSL via DJ2EH.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: NORTH FLORIDA SCOUTING COUNCIL TO INAUGURATE KB4SA

And finally this week, we say congratulations to a group of scouts who have chartered a new scouting amateur radio station. Heres Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, with the details:

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Hams in the Jacksonville area had been helping Scouts in the North Florida Council earn their Radio merit badges over the years.

But they were looking to do more for the Scouts and for ham radio.

Scott Roberts, KK4ECR, says a group of those hams finally decided to make a move.

"We approached one of the local Scout camps here in the area and talked to them about it and they said, 'Yes, we're all for it, let's do it,' Roberts says.

"And, basically, at that point, amateur radio club KB4SA was born."

The station is being set up at Camp Echockotee in Orange Park, Florida. It also has backing from Clay County Amateur Radio Emergency Service operators.

Roberts says KB4SA will be staffed by Scouters and Scouts looking to share the fun of the amateur radio hobby.

On Saturday, May 12, Roberts says the station will launch operations with a special event station from the camp. And he's looking to make contacts with.

"Other Scout clubs, with other DX stations that are around that can be available that day to talk to the Scouts and kind of make it a big hit for some of these Scouts that have been on the radio before and then some of those that have never been on the radio before," Roberts says.

You can find more about the KB4SA operation by going online to our website, arnewsline.org for a link (http://kb4sa.org) to information about the station and the frequencies.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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Our congratulations to The North Florida Council on its upcoming inauguration of amateur radio station KB4SA. If you hear the station on the air please be sure to give the scouts operating it a call and say hello. (N. FL. Council, NT3V)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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632. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 29 2012

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WIANEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING APRIL 29 2012.

Are You coming the WIA Annual Conference in Mildura ?

With only one month remaining on the calendar till
this years WIA Annual Conference registrations have
been filling quickly particularly since the announcement
of our special guests and details of the weekend Technical
program. In previous weeks we have talked to Peter Cossins
about his Digital ATV Presentation, Andrew Martin VK3OE
about the developments with his chirp radar system
and we have interviewed Jan King W3GEY a founding member
of AMSAT and we spoke with Jan about his much anticipated
presentation of the AMSATsatellite program. A major feature
of the technical program is the presentation by the Adelaide
based Project Horus team who will be both presenting in the
Saturday afternoon technical Symposium AND launching a real
Horus balloon, Horus 25 on Sunday morning from the old
aero ovals a publicly accessible councilproperty in Mildura.
So this morning it's my pleasure to introduce to you Terry
Baum VK5VZI who one of the lead members of the Horus team
Good morning Terry...

Good morning Robert

First up Terry thanks to you and your team for being part of the WIA Annual Conference in Mildura. Now I'm sure that many will have heard of and be familiar with the Horus program, but for those listeners who are not, could you tell us a little of the background behind the program.

No problems Robert and a very good morning to all the listeners here on this WIA news broadcast. Project Horus is a amateur high altitude balloon project. Our aim is to build and fly low cost weather balloon payloads into the stratosphere, capturing photographs, recording sensor data and providing a reliable launch platform for high altitude experiments. Our typical launches attain altitudes in excess of 35,000m (115,000ft), passing through regions of extremely low pressure and temperature - temperatures frequently reach as low as -55 degrees Celcius. Payloads are tracked by GPS and radio communications - once the balloon has burst, the payload descends to Earth and is retrieved. We had our first launch in 2010 and since then we have launced 23 balloons, Mildura will be our 25th launch and so it has the designation Horus 25

So the plan is to launch Horus 25 on a public oval on Sunday Morning at 8:00am and everyone attending the WIA conference and the general public is invited to come along and watch the launch. What happens after the balloon is launched?

Well as part of the payload on the balloon, we will have a rtty stream of telemetry on 70cm, with the aid of some software that people can install on their laptop, using the laptop sound card hooked to their 70cm radio they will be able to decode telemetry data. We will also be sending this same information to our Project Horus website in real time so people with internet access including interested Midura residents will be able to track the balloons progress via the internet. Horus 25 will also have and amateur voice repeater on board with input on 70 cm and output on 2m. We expect the balloon will remain in the air for about two and a half hours before it bursts and the payload parachutes back down to the ground.

I guess your balloon launches would normally attract a lot of public interest.

Yes they do and quite often we get inquiries from people if they can come and watch a launch, in many cases this may not be practical for a number of reasons, sometimes they are on private property, sometimes access is a problem etc, so for all the people out there who have been hanging out to see a launch, come to Mildura and see us launch Horus 25

And there is a prize for the person who tracks and recovers
the payload.

Yes I have been informed a Yaseu FT 1900r has been
generously donated as a prize for the person who locates and
recovers the balloon payload, mind you it's much easier
these days with the balloons onboard GPS than it was in days
gone by when you had to DF the payload, I doubt it will land
on the Paddleboat Mundoo so if you plan to follow and track
the payload that will be separate exercise to the Mundoo
lunch and afternoon boat trip. I understand the boat boards
at 11:00 an departs at 11:30

Well thanks again Terry for you and your team, we are
looking forward not only to your talk during the Saturday
technical Symposium but also the Sunday morning balloon launch.

Thanks again Robert and our team are very excited about
coming to Mildura

Join us at the WIA Annual Conference in Mildura and be part
of history in the making with the launch of Horus 25.
Register online today, simply visit the WIA website
www.wia.org.au and click the link to the Annual Conference
Mildura

Olympic Games 3D TV trials

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has agreed to issue
licences to Nine Network Australia, provided certain conditions are met,
to conduct trials of 3D TV featuring daily highlights of the 2012 Olympic
Games, ACMA Chairman, Chris Chapman has confirmed.

The ACMA has considered Nine's applications to use unassigned TV channels
for 3D TV trials in Adelaide, Brisbane, the Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth and
Sydney.

'Viewers with a 3D television should be able to view the trial if they are
within the coverage area of the trial services,' Mr Chapman said.

To ensure that viewers understand the month-long transmission will only be
available in certain areas, the Nine Network has agreed to implement a range
of consumer protection measures.

The ACMA developed the measures in consultation with the Australian
Competition and Consumer Commission following misleading statements from a
number of electronics retailers during previous 3D TV trials.

'Viewers need to be aware these broadcasts are temporary trials of the
3D TV format and that the long term technology is still developing,'
Mr Chapman said.

Detailed information about the coverage areas and other aspects of the trials
will be available from the Nine Network before the services are due to
commence on 16 July.

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In recent times a number of amateurs have asked questions about the WIA Awards program.

I expect that the release published in the last few days will answer those questions.

Shortly after becoming the WIA Director for Awards Chris Platt VK5CP found that he had very little time for the task because of increasingly intense work pressures.

WIA Director Trent Sampson VK4TS has been appointed Acting Director for Awards until Chris is able to devote the necessary time to the role.

Steve Chamberlain VK6IR was appointed Awards Manager last February but found that he was unable to use the time he had set aside for establishing the role and so felt it better to allow someone else the opportunity to deal with this important area of WIA interest.

Bob Robinson VK3SX has been appointed Awards Manager.

In addition, Allan Meredith VK2CA has rejoined the Awards Committee and Laurie Davison VK7ZE has joined the Committee. Laurie is expected to become the first VK ARRL card checker in the very near future.

Last March Dale McCarthy VK4DMC retired from the Awards Committee as he felt that he was no longer able to devote the necessary time to that role.

The routine management of the Awards process will continue to be through the WIA office, and WIA Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ, currently overseas, has reorganised much of the basic current data to provide a basis for the work being undertaken by Trent, Bob and the Awards team.

The Awards pages on the WIA website have been updated, work is continuing to update the DXCC standings and the delay in issuing WIA Award certificates is expected to be largely overcome in the next 6 weeks.

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone involved for their efforts to overcome the difficulties we ran into and their ongoing work to improve the program, and in particular Trent Sampson, Bob Robinson and John Longayroux working as ever in the background.

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web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Its all happening at the Summerland Amateur Radio Club this Sunday the 29th.

Starting at 10 am today, there will be a big tidy-up, and with many tasks to be done they need all hands on deck.

Things to be done include weeding, sorting out the magazine collection, tidying the workroom and storeroom, and also sorting out surplus sales stuff, ready for the Spring Hamfest.

There will be a BBQ lunch, then at 2pm will be the AGM of Northern Rivers WICEN. All members are asked to be there if possible, and all interested persons are welcome to attend.

That's this Sunday, at the clubrooms:

a map is available on the Summerland Club website.

www.sarc.org.au.

(Chris VK2ACD)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Centenary of organized Amateur Radio in Queensland

Special Event Callsign and Operations

VK100WIQ will be available to Clubs during July and August and a special QSL card is being designed and printed for the operation.

Clubs interested in using the special call for a 3 day bracket (or more if you are keen) need to contact Michael VK4QS.

mikevk4qs@gmail.com or telephone 41 222 927

(sourced to thetarcinc)

VK5

For the last year the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society has held the call VK5MGY. MGY being the radio call sign of the Titanic.

Doc VK5BUG and Shaun VK5ASC have used the call at Titanic displays. Doc, who operates exclusivly on CW has made over 300 contacts worldwide to over 30 countries. QSL's have been printed and distributed from a winning competition entry of James Zinkler.

Thanks to Doc and Shaun for their efforts.

Across Australia from VK1WIA you're tuned to the WIA National News Service. In Adelaide it can be heard on VK5RAD at 9am local time. I'm David VK5KC.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Recently I had the opportunity to see a group of amateurs show and tell lots of little inventions, from antennas through measuring equipment, hand-made and historic. The atmosphere was electric, HAMs showing off their technical achievements. It was exciting to see the glint in the eye of each demonstrator, proudly sharing their accomplishments.

I realized that in many places in life there is competition, even in Amateur Radio there are contests, but this was something else. This was an experience that highlighted to me what Amateur Radio is all about, figuring out how to achieve something and sharing it with others.

I understand that you could
think that this too could turn into a competition, but the web-sites I've seen in the past year contradict that notion. Everywhere I look there are people trying to share their knowledge, trying to make Amateur Radio a great place to be, telling stories, inventing things, making and building.

All this is a run-up to something, a run-up to one question:

"What have you shared lately?"

If you received your license recently, you may think that you have nothing to share. Ironically that is absolutely untrue. You bring with you a new curiosity, a fresh set of inquisitiveness that you can share with fellow amateurs. You bring an excitement to the hobby that might assist experienced HAMs with a thrill of their own.

So, don't be shy, young HAM or old hand, share and share alike.

I'm Onno vk6flab

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Amateur Radio Posters for Download

The RSGB has made available a collection of amateur radio promotional posters that can be used when demonstrating the hobby to the public.

The posters can be downloaded from
rsgb.org/posters

Meteoroid the size of a mini-van explodes over California

An explosion over California that rattled homes across at least two states has been analyzed by NASA's Meteoroid Environment Office: It was a natural meteoroid the size of a mini-van.

Analysts say the space rock exploded in the atmosphere with an energy equal to nearly 4 kilotons of TNT and might have sprayed the Sierra Nevada mountains with meteorites.

Visit http://spaceweather.com for more information

Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT new SARL President

Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT, was elected as the South African Radio League (SARL) President.

In his address at the annual dinner he said that his objective for his year of office is "Together we will achieve more for amateur radio."

He said "I believe that clubs should become more active in the SARL and its national activities and on the flip side, the SARL must be more engaged with clubs. The old clich&#65533; of "unity is strength" could not be more true today than ever before.

While we achieve successes at international level, we need to work harder at successes at national level. We need to work better together, communicate more with each other. Clubs and the SARL need to support each other to grow and expand. The IARU's international voice is only strengthened by national members and societies.

"I urge each club to affiliate with the SARL and appoint a liaison officer to strengthen the communications channel. Communications must be two way and that is the important role of a liaison officer at every club. Communicate to the SARL what is happening at club level and how the SARL can add more value. It should also be the task of the liaison officer to ensure that the SARL communication channels reach club members by including information in local bulletins, at club meetings and at club committee meetings."

RADIO SCOUTING: NEW DEDICATED IRLP TOPIC CHANNEL FOR SCOUTS

Radio Scouting and the Jamboree on the Air now have a common meeting place for Internet Radio Linking Project contacts or IRLP. As one of the new Topic Channels, scouts need only connect to IRLP Node 9091 to make contact with one another.

The Radio Scouting and Jamboree on the Air Topic Channel is available for use 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. A recommended time for calling has initially been established for 1800 UTC for weekend activities, such as Radio Merit Badge events, as well as contacts during Summer Camp. Another suggested time is 0100 UTC to accommodate most scouts during the evening hours.

For detailed information on available IRLP repeaters in your area, how IRLP works and operating guidelines, visit www.irlp.net on the World-Wide-Web. For more information about this and other IRLP Topic Channels take your web browser to www.irlptopics.net

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

NEW OTH RADAR REPORT RELEASED BY DK20M

A new paper released by a ham in Germany may shed some light on sources of interference on the ham bands caused by radar systems world-wide. Jim Davis, W2JKD, has more:

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Wolfgang Hadel DK2OM has made available a report documenting High Frequency Over The Horizon radar systems used around the world. Also included are Ionosphere and Troposhere Diagnostic Radars as well as well as Ocean Wave and Coastal Radars. All of these can interfere with amateur radio and shortwave listening.

The report is an exceedingly thorough look at these various Radar systems and their uses. It also includes explanations of how some of these systems work and include photographs, maps and graphs of some of the operations.

The 36 page report is free to anyone who wants a copy. You can download it in Adobe .pdf format at tinyurl.com/oth-radar-report.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

JAPAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY PLANS SPACE ELEVATOR

And finally this week, while it might the stuff of science fiction dreams are made ofr, a Japanese construction company has announced that it will have built a working space elevator by 2050. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with this glimpse into the future:

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Imagine putting a microsat under your arm, taking it on an elevator ride to a geostationary on-orbit outpost and eventually hsving it tossed into space. Such might be the case in about 40 to 50 years if the plans of a Japan-based construction company come to pass,

According to the The Daily Yomiuri newspaper, the company known as Obayashi Corporation has announced it will build a kind of space elevator by the year 2050. One that will be capable of shuttling passengers and supplies 36,000 kilometers above the Earth.

The company plans to use carbon nanontubes, which are said to be 20 times stronger than steel, to produce the cables required for the elevator. Those cables will be stretched to a counterweight 96,000 kilometers above our planet. Thats about one-fourth of the distance between the Earth and the moon.

An Obayashi official told the newspaper that the terminal station to be located 36,000 kilometers above Earth, will be reached by cars that can carry 30 people and travel at 200 kilometers per hour.

He adds that at this moment, the company cannot estimate the cost for the project. However, they will try to make steady progress so that it won't end just up as simply a dream.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Heather Butera-Howell KB3TZD, looking at the future from near Burwick, Pennsylvania.

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The Obayashi spokesperson could not estimate the cost the cost of the project but did admit that it will be high. And whether this project can actually become a reality is up for discussion for at least the time being.

RADIO SPORT

Greetings Everyone - this is Trent VK4TS- Coming up shortly is the WIA AGM and its time to reflect over the past 12 months in contesting - my area of special interest

2012 has seen the formation of the WIA Contest Committee and the introduction of general rules for WIA contests - Contrary to some misconceptions these are not an attempt to make all contests the same but rather to use the same terms for all our sponsored contests.

Sadly we saw the resignation due to ill health of our long time RD Contest manager Peter VK4OD - however Peter recommended Alan VK4SN as his replacement and Alan has taken on the role with gutso - Interestingly he has proposed a couple of changes to the rules and these are in the May issue of AR or on the WIA website

The Oceania Dx Contest has another record in logs received (over 1200 logs) an amazing turnaround by a contest that only 15 years ago was almost extinct Well done Brian VK3MI and team.

The Field Day contests have continued to increase activity with the John Moyle capably managed by Denis VK4AE leading the way however more interest is also being shown in the VHF/UHF only events under the stewardship of John VK3KM.

With the changes to the RD Contest there has been a proposal put forward for individual sponsored trophies, Chris VK3FY has already volunteered the South Pacific Contest Club to donate a shield for the highest scoring Multi Operator and I look forward to hearing from any others groups interested in sponsoring one.

this has been Trent VK4TS

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

N6G TO CELEBRATE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE AT AGE 75

A Healdsburg, California ham has announced a special event operation to celebrate the 75th anniversary of one of the states most usefull landmarks.

Will Pattullo, AE6YB, tells Newsline that he will be hosting special event N6G an May 26 and the 27th. This to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the opening of San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge.

AE6YB says he will definitely be on 7.265, 14.265 and 21.265 MHz during the two-day operation. He will also try to get on 80 and 10 meters if time permits. Domestic U-S stations should QSL N6G via AE6YB with a self addressed stamped envelope direct via his callbook address. DX stations are asked to include a US dollar to cover return postage.

Details on www.sfarc.org

F4CYZ iS operational from Morocco as CN2YZ through years end. His activity will be from Tangier especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site with a log-check. Its in cyberspace at
mdxc.org/cn2yz

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

When a new broadcaster comes on line they are encouraged to subscribe to the wiabroadcasters at yahoogroups.com webservice.

Twice a week you receive emails, the first is posted detailing that weeks news broadcast, duration and where the audio can be downloaded from.

The 2nd email is a detailed tally sheet from all the official rebroadcast stations across VK. Remember the only rebroadcast stations of this news shown on the WIA "where to hear us" web page are the ones regularly sending us the number of callbacks each week.

If you wish to join and are a rebroadcaster drop us an email now, to nationalnews@wia.org.au

Also when sending National News Material PLEASE read the "how to submit items" on the weekly news page at wia.org.au

Don't send us just url's and please post your audio onto the news area, not by email.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

16 Japanese educational satellites to be launched

Sixteen educational satellites are under construction in Japan. The first should be launched in May followed by the others over the next two years.

The first to launch is the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT). The launch is on a Japanese H-IIA rocket planned for May 17 at 1639-1642 UT.

The mission aims to take pictures of the Earth using a small CMOS camera SCAMP (Surrey Camera Payload) developed by the University of Surrey, a sister university of KIT. SCAMP takes a 640 480 pixel picture in a JPEG format. From 700 km altitude, one pixel corresponds to 1.6 km.

HORYU-2 will be followed in July by the launch of the HTV3 to the International Space Station (ISS). This will deliver the JEM-Small Satellite Orbital Deployer (J-SSOD) along with the Japanese CubeSats WE-WISH, FITSAT-1 and RAIKO. These CubeSats should be deployed from the ISS in September using the Japanese Experiment Module (JEM) robot arm.

FITSAT-1, also known as NIWAKA, will use a neodymium magnet for attitude control. It has multiple downlinks, CW on 437.250 MHz, AX.25 on 437.445 MHz and a 4 watt high speed data transmitter on 5840 MHz capable of sending a 640 by 480 VGA JPEG image in 6 seconds.

In addition it carries high power LEDs that will be driven with 100W pulses to produce extremely bright flashes. These, it is hoped, will be observable by the unaided eye or with small binoculars. Both the 5840 MHz and optical downlinks have a high power consumption so it may be that they are only activated over Japan.

In December TSUBAME is planned to be launched on a H-IIA. It aims to have a CW beacon on 437.250 MHz and AX.25 1200/9600bps telemetry on 437.505 MHz.

Further information on all the satellites can be found on the AMSAT-UK website at http://www.uk.amsat.org/6691

AMSAT-UK publishes a colour A4 newsletter, OSCAR News, which is full of Amateur Satellite information.

Free sample issue at http://www.uk.amsat.org/on_193_final.pdf

Join online at http://tinyurl.com/JoinAMSAT-UK

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

WITH QCWA BECOME A MEMBER OR PAY DUES ON-LINE

The Quarter Century Wireless Association has announced that those
eligible can now join the organization or renew membership on-line.

The link to the applications are at www.qcwa.org/how-to-join.php
After you complete the form, click 'Add to Cart. From there you will
be taken to PayPal to complete the transaction.

You don't need to be a member of PayPal to use a Debit or
Credit card. You do need to be a member of PayPal to use
your checking or savings account electronic transfer.
Eligibility to join QCWA requires a continuous 25 years as a
licensed amateur radio operator.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Saturday May 5th 2012
East Gippsland Stages
Bairnsdale
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Sunday May 6th 2012
Kenda Nav Rally
Rubicon
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Email: weeksradio@virtual.net.au

Regards,
WICEN Secretary, secretary@vic.wicen.org.au

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

APR 28 VK6 HARGfest (Hills ARG)

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

MAY 26 VK4 BARCFEST (a hamfest) Mt Gravatt Showgrounds 9am.

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

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633. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 27 April 2012

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Birthday of Samuel Morse

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Samuel Morse, who introduced telegraph communications in the United States,
was born 221 years ago today on April 27, 1791 in Charlestown, Massachusetts

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50th Anniversary of the UK in Space

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The United Kingdom sent up its first satellite 50 years ago when Ariel 1
launched on April 26, 1962. To commemorate the occassion BBC News
interviewed radio amateur Sir Martin Sweeting G3YJO

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LEFARS celebrate 50th anniversary

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The Loughton and Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society (LEFARS) will be on
the air to celebrate their 50th Anniversary today April 27

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Bureaucratic antenna restrictions in Flanders

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The Belgian National Society website has published an update on the
restrictive antenna requirements imposed by the Flemish Government

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Baofeng UV-5R video

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Chinese companies are now producing competitively priced dual-band FM
amateur radio handhelds and this video shows one of them, the Baofeng UV-5R

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Lewes Amateur Radio Society in the press

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Delmarva Now report on the Lewes Amateur Radio Society whose membership has
grown from 5 to 41

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast

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The NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-18
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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
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Rare footage of FISTS CW Club founders on Youtube

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G3ZQS and G2AKK talk about Morse, FISTS CW Club and Samuel Morse's 200th
Anniversary

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DX News from the ARRL

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu
rner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

634. look at this page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-27 12:54:27 UTC
From: bharathi abi <abisimon2008@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <7085b665-1ce1-41ce-84ea-93cdb7f18faa@w6g2000pbp.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3151

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635. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 27 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-27 16:07:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d2e0360c604beab4cc7@google.com>
Source record: 3152
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Announcing QRZDroid - for your Android Device

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 01:15 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343952-Announcing-QRZDroid-for-your-Android-Device&goto=newpost

Today we're proud to announce the arrival of QRZDroid, the official QRZ Android application. This app gives you simple, fast access to the QRZ Callsign database in the palm of your hand. The app is completely FREE and is expected to run on most recent versions of the Android OS. It includes a 100 callsign memory as well as the ability to text, email, or send lookups via bluetooth.

The app is available in the Google Play (formerly Android Market) now. Just search for QRZ and choose the app with our logo, or use the direct link:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/d...abase.callsign

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(11.7 KB)

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QSL - How many non-members of the RSGB know about this change?

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 12:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343761-QSL-How-many-non-members-of-the-RSGB-know-about-this-change&goto=newpost

Changes to the RSGB QSL bureau operation that were detailed in the December 2011 RadCom have now taken effect. Volunteers now despatch, where possible,

all available incoming cards to members and pay-to-receive users on a quarterly basis. Currently they are sending out their last batch of cards to non-members, together with the return of unused collection envelopes and details of how to access the new scheme. All members with more than one active callsign, especially those in the M3, M6, 2 and M0 series, urgently need to visit the RSGB website and update their membership details, if they have not already done so. To avoid envelopes being returned incorrectly and cards lost, this information is vital. It would be most helpful if those who do not collect traditional QSL cards change the wording of any QRZ.com entry to include the wording ☐No bureau cards☐. Please note that all NOV holders of GB Special Event and abbreviated single letter callsigns must be registered to a valid member or affiliated Society in order to continue sending and receiving cards. To update your information visit www.rsgb.org/amend or telephone RSGB headquarters

So as I see it not only do you have to send stamped self addressed envelopes, (which I have no problem with) you now have to pay a fee just to get someone to send them to you

WHY BOTHER ....

JUST LIST YOURSELF AS QSL DIRECT ONLY,

OR DO NOT QSL

OR ELECTRONIC ONLY

Yet another tax on the pensioners,/ seniors (stamps going up by yet another unacceptable amount this month as well !!)

636. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 27 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-27 16:41:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614faac75fdc04beabc750@google.com>
Source record: 3153
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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W9CIG....Geocaching special event station!

Posted: 27 Apr 2012 05:41 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344030-W9CIG-Geocaching-special-event-station!&goto=newpost

W9CIG, the Central Indiana Geocachers Amateur Radio Club, will be on the air May 18, 19, and 20, from the 10th annual Indiana Geocachers Spring Picnic at Summit Lake State Park, near New Castle, Indiana.

We'll be operating on 40, 20,17, 10, and 2 meters. We QSL 100%. You can get up date frequencies on the operating dates from N9GSU's twitter account, @IndyCacher.

Hope to see y'all on the air!

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SOTA Saturday in SoCal

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 02:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343965-SOTA-Saturday-in-SoCal&goto=newpost

OK guys,

I'm hiking up to Mt Waterman on Saturday 4/28 to try out this SOTA thing.

I just picked up an ft-857 and LDZ AT. Antenna is a Buddistick vertical, power comes from a couple of 4S Lipos thru a Astron DC to DC converter.

Plan is to try and get as many QSOs as possible starting noon Pacific. Initially on 7.285 MHz, then 14.285 MHz.

If you are spinning dials Sat noon, please listen for an out of breath 50 something newbie.

Thanks

Mike

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Market Reef OJ0B 2012

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 11:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343942-Market-Reef-OJ0B-2012&goto=newpost

OH2TA and OG9X will be active from Market Reef 27-29 April 2012 as OJ0B

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...eef_oj0b_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

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Vertical Dxpedition

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 08:50 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343801-Vertical-Dxpedition&goto=newpost

Vertical Dxpedition
Mozambique :rolleyes::rolleyes::rolleyes::rolleyes::rolleyes: :rolleyes::rolleyes:

From DW Deryer-Juselius

zs6djd

Email zs6djd@gmail.com

Daniel ZS6JR and my self ZS6DJD will be operating from Mozambique for Seven to ten days starting on the 3th or 4th of may 2012 depending how quick we get the equipment up. The idea was to park next to a small lake in Shai Shai Mozambique 400 km north of the capital and operate all vertical antennas with the earth wires in the water and see what we could do. So we will operate vertical on most bands 40m to 10m, but Daniel has also decided to take a Hex beam antenna with. I f we get the chance we will also work 6m and 80m. I do not have a call sign as yet. This we will only get soon . I will most probably get C 91 JD Or C 91 DJ or C 91 DN. Conditions allowing we should be on all these bands. on 20m around 14.200, 14.1950, 02 14.900 or 14.2100 on 15m at 28.2800 or 21.2750, 21.2700 21.650, 21.500. On Ten Meters at 28.450 or 28.470 or 28.500 and others bands 17m and 12m.

Would you be so kind as to tell as many Amateurs as possible. Thank you very much and all the best .73 and 88. :cool::cool::cool::cool::cool::cool:

Yours in the Amateur Radio Hobby

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637. eHam.net News for Friday 27 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-27 22:29:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b4cd30a4104beb0a15b@google.com>
Source record: 3154
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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WIA Awards Program Changes:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28180

Shortly after becoming the WIA Director for Awards Chris Platt VK5CP found that he had very little time for the task because of increasingly intense work pressures. WIA Director Trent Sampson VK4TS has been appointed Acting Director for Awards until Chris is able to devote the necessary time to the role. Steve Chamberlain VK6IR was appointed Awards Manager last February but found that he was unable to use the time he had set aside for establishing the role and so felt it better to allow someone else the opportunity to deal with this important area of WIA interest. Bob Robinson VK3SX has been appointed Awards Manager. In addition, Allan Meredith VK2CA has rejoined the Awards Committee and Laurie Davison VK7ZE has joined the Committee. Laurie is expected to become the first VK ARRL card checker in the very near future.

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British APCO and The Radio Amateur's Emergency Network sign MOU:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 05:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28179

The Memorandum of Understanding sets a framework for mutual co-operation in the interest of public safety. On the 16th of April British APCO President Alan House and The Network Chairman Cathy Clark signed an MOU that recognised the common objectives of both organisations in the promotion and influencing of public safety, civil contingency, information management and communications technologies. In the Memorandum of Understanding RAYNET is identified as "The Network", and in addition to the MOU a Schedule of Agreements is included which sets out some of the ways in which both organisations will work together, including networking opportunities and invitations to attend management meetings; website content sharing; joint working and sharing of publications; and engaging The Network in regional and national events.

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Flying Away on a Magic Carpet Ride:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 05:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28178

I've gotten to do a lot of, what I consider, very interesting stories lately. The latest one was one about Dick Zehr hooking his Ham radio up in his room at the Good Samaritan Home in Flanagan. I got the call Monday morning from an employee at the nursing home, asking if we would consider running the story. Of course we would! I saw my dad later that night. I haven't ever talked to anyone about a story I was working on, especially before it was printed, but this time, I asked my dad if he remembered Mr. Zehr. My dad did remember he and his wife both, as the couple had worked at Flanagan schools while my dad was in school there (for the record, his wife still worked at the school my first couple of years in attendance, too). My dad recounted how he was part of a group of guys that learned Morse code from Dick. When my dad got older and had kids, he took my brother's Scout troop to visit Dick and they all learned how to use the Ham radio. I remember that trip. My brother thought that was the coolest thing in the entire world! I was very young when this trip took place - probably in the early grade school years. The way my brother described the Ham radio was like a magic carpet ride. It could take you anywhere you wanted to go. He talked about how Mr. Zehr had spoken to people all over the world and if you called out on the radio, anyone who heard you could pick up and you never knew who would or where they would be from. After all these years, I can't remember who my brother said they got to talk to that day, but I just remember the awe and amazement Nathan had as he was telling his mom and sisters about it when he and my dad got home that day.

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Marconi Celebration on Signal Hill:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28177

A different kind of birthday celebration took place on Signal Hill today for the father of trans-Atlantic wireless communication, Guglielmo Marconi. Morse code pierced the thick fog on Signal Hill this morning as it travelled all the way across the Atlantic ocean to Bologna, Italy. That's where Marconi's daughter, Princess Elettra was sitting, as the signal was received in celebration of her father's birthday. The Princess brought greetings and thanks to members of the Newfoundland Amateur Radio Club, Parks Canada and politicians who were all gathered on the second floor of Cabot Tower for the momenteous occasion.

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Ham Radio Operators Prepared to Communicate in Emergency Situations:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28176

Wood County officials plan to be ready. "Listen, Act and Live" is the theme for the 2012 Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness week, which runs through Friday. At 1 p.m. today, Tornado Awareness Day, a mock tornado watch (a watch means conditions are right for a tornado to form) will be followed by a mock tornado warning (a warning means a tornado has been reported or Doppler radar indicates one is possible) starting at 1:45 p.m. in Wood County. Being prepared ensures everything -- and every person -- will be

ready to take action, emergency officials say. "We have already practiced our severe weather plan," said Melody Dearth, Riverview Hospital Association disaster committee chairwoman.

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DXers Ride Marconi's Wavelength:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28175

Imagine the awe and personal satisfaction Guglielmo Marconi must have felt on Dec. 12, 1901 when he announced the first transatlantic wireless reception. Marconi and his team used a kite to raise a 500-foot antenna atop Signal Hill in St. John's, Newfoundland, and waited for pre-arranged Morse code signals from Poldhu, Cornwall, more than 2,000 miles away. The signals he reported were extremely faint, occurred during daylight and lacked independent authentication. However, he soon achieved comparable distances under more optimal circumstances from a ship in the mid-Atlantic and, later, from Nova Scotia. Radio proceeded to capture imaginations the world over. Even as it works to define itself in today's digital age, some dedicated listeners continue to get the same charge Marconi did.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #17:

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28174

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28173

This Week in Radiosport:

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NASA Accepting Proposals for ARISS Contacts:

Posted: 25 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28172

NASA is now accepting proposals from US schools, museums, science centers and community youth organizations to host an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact between November 1, 2012 and May 1, 2013. To maximize these radio contact opportunities, NASA is looking for organizations that will draw large numbers of participants and integrate the contact into a well-developed education plan. Proposals are due July 2, 2012.

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Dayton Hamvention: ARRL EXPO -- Where the DX Comes to You!

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28171

As part of the ARRL EXPO -- part of the 2012 Dayton Hamvention® --
the ARRL is pleased to present a plethora of DX activities. Visitors to
the ARRL EXPO will see a lot of DX activities, including DXCC card
checking and a chance to drop off QSL cards for the ARRL Outgoing QSL
Bureau, as well as representatives from the International Amateur Radio
Union (IARU) and IARU Member-Societies.

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WPX Awards via LOTW Enters Beta Testing:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28170

Earlier this year, the ARRL and CQ Communications announced that the
ARRL will provide support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by the
ARRL's Logbook of the World (LoTW) electronic confirmation system. The
WPX Award is the first of the CQ-sponsored awards that LoTW will
support.

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ARRL Thanks Radio Amateurs Who Filed Comments:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28169

In April, the FCC put out a Public Notice, requesting comments regarding a
Congress-mandated study to assess
Amateur Radio's role in emergency and disaster communications and the
impact of private land use regulations on the amateur community's
ability to provide such communications.

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Apply to Host a Real-Time Conversation with ISS Crewmembers:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28168

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centers and community youth organizations to host an Amateur Radio on
the International Space Station (ARISS) contact between November 1, 2012
and May 1, 2013. To maximize these
radio contact opportunities, NASA is looking for organizations that
will draw large numbers of participants and integrate the contact into
a well-developed education plan. Proposals are due July 2, 2012.

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Register Your ARRL Field Day Site on the Field Day Locator:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28167

First introduced in 2008, the ARRL's Field Day Station Locator
Service has proved a popular
addition to the Field Day toolbox. This service -- an interactive map
that helps amateurs or those interested in Amateur Radio find a Field
Day site near them -- is free
to clubs or individuals who will be operating public Field Day
stations.

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Attention Federal Employees: ARRL Approved For 2012 Combined Federal Campai

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28166

For the past 11 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has
designated the ARRL to participate in the Combined Federal Campaign
(CFC), the annual giving campaign for federal employees. In that time,
this campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal
Service workers and members of the military has generated almost
$192,000 for ARRL programs.

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ITU Telecom World 2012 Conference Seeking Participants for Young Innovators

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28165

As part of ITU Telecom World 2012 -- scheduled for October 14-18 in
Dubai -- the conference will present the Young Innovators Program. With
its theme of Youth Innovation for Development, the Young Innovators
Competition is a chance for the next generation of young visionaries to
demonstrate their ideas and innovations on this global stage and show
how their fresh digital thinking can change the world for the better.

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ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference Set for Atlanta:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28164

The dates have been set -- September 21-23 -- for the 31st Annual
ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC) in Atlanta at the
Sheraton Gateway Hotel.
The DCC schedule includes forums, demonstrations, a Saturday evening
banquet and an in-depth Sunday seminar. This conference is for everyone
with an interest in digital communications -- from beginner to expert.

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ARNewsline Report 1811 -- Apr 27 2012:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28163

The following is a QST. Japan says it will be launching 16 educational ham-sats; NASA says now is time for educators to request I-S-S contacts for 2013; UK hams learn of ham band restrictions during the 2012 Olympics; US hams will not be affected by Part 90 narrow-banding and a new video on VHF and UHF digital audio is on-line. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1811 coming your way right now.

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NZ4O Condensed HF RX Prop Fcst #2012-18:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28162

NZ4O Condensed HF RX Prop Fcst #2012-18:

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Masonic D-Star Net:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28161

I will be conducting a net on D-Star, Ref038A. All Masonic Brethren World Wide are encouraged to attend.

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Ham Radio Now -- Episode 9:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:49 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28160

Ham Radio Now -- Episode 9:

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Four Days In May -- QRP at Hamvention:

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 04:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28159

'Four Days In May' or FDIM is the annual convention of the QRP Amateur Radio Club International. It is held in Dayton, OH and runs concurrently with the Dayton Hamvention.

638. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 28 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-28 11:05:05 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340ca32b6c7304bebb31fe@google.com>
Source record: 3155
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Essex Hams activate LV18 Light Vessel

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yyV-fwNOJ20/essex_hams_activate_lv18_light_vessel.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team of Essex radio amateurs operated from the former Trinity Light
Vessel, the LV18, at Harwich on Friday, April 27

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'Kinect' STRaND-2 at UK Space Agency Conference

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4ER020e4TVg/strand2_at_uk_space_agency_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/april2012/strand2_at_uk_space_agency_conference.htm

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-iUFfbhHs3c/wca_2804.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

World Castles Award activities planned for Saturday and Sunday

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h0LB8mwgtHQ/april_28.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity revived over the past week, with a big increase in sunspot
numbers. On Friday, April 20, the daily sunspot number reached 162, and
four days later on April 24 the number reached 169

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2O12xx special prefix stations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jLTv1GkqyDg/2O12xx_special_prefix_stations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games provide an outstanding opportunity to publicise amateur radio

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Changes to RSGB QSL Bureau

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i7WgugG3tMk/changes_to_rsgb_qsl_bureau.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Changes to the RSGB QSL Bureau operation that were detailed in the December 2011 RadCom have now taken effect

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Final version of Spectrum Strategy now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6D4dU1gNEQg/final_version_of_spectrum_strategy_now_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the recent consultation on the Spectrum Strategy, the final version can now be downloaded from the Spectrum Strategy consultation page

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Amateur radio club members rewarded for activities

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q1wWoS-akGo/amateur_radio_club_members_rewarded_for_activities.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Herald Express newspaper carries a report on the activities of the Torbay Amateur Radio Society (TARS)

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Wray Scarecrow Festival GB4WSF

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0hef6CMGXZE/wray_scarecrow_festival_gb4wsf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This year is the 25th anniversary of the festival and special event station GB4WSF will be on the air to celebrate

639. SARL News in English 28/4/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-28 17:34:59 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <D619EE372A3442DDBD9C8177020BE7A9@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3156
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 29 APRIL 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SARL ELECTS NEW COUNCIL NEW SUBSCRIPTION RATE AGM DECISIONS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL ELECTS NEW COUNCIL

At the annual general meeting held as part of the SARL National Convention a new council was elected. Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT, is the new president and Geoffrey Levey, ZS6GRL, the vice president. Fritz Sutherland, ZS6S,F takes over from Henry Chamberlain,ZS1AAZ, who, after many years as secretary, has retired from council. The other members of council are: Dennis Green, ZS4BS, Hans van de Groenendaal ZS6AKV, Fred Scheepers ZS1FCS, Laurie Deveraux ZS5DL, Francois Botha, ZS6BUU, Riaan Greeff, ZS4PR, Willem Weideman, ZS6WWJ, Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ, Johann Marais, ZU1JM, Ian Laubscher, ZS1LAU, and Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A. Details of the various portfolios can be found on www.sarl.org.za/members/council/portfolios.asp or simply go to the site index and select councillor portfolios. The council will have it first meeting by teleconference on 9 May.

REGISTER NOW FOR THE SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

Register now for the SA AMSAT Space Symposium to be held at the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal on 12 May. Telkom is the main sponsor, making it possible to have the most extensive number of speakers and subjects on a packed programme. SANSA has come on board and will sponsor students wishing to attend the symposium. Students wishing to

be considered for sponsorship should register by Thursday 3 May. Get all the detail on www.amsatsa.org.za or follow the link from the SARL web.

THE SARL REACHES OUT TO SADC RADIO AMATEURS

The SARL is reaching out to radio amateurs who are members of their national society in SADC countries, to join the SARL on a complimentary basis. This is part of the SARL's commitment to support the IARU Region 1 "Support for the Amateur Radio Service" or, for short, STARS programme. The objective of the STARS programme is to defend, protect, extend, develop and promote the amateur radio service in countries where amateur radio activity is low or nonexistent. To apply, radio amateurs in SADC countries should complete the SARL membership application form and submit the form and proof that they are a member of their local society, to admin@sarl.org.za.

NEW SUBSCRIPTION RATE

The SARL subscription for the various categories of membership has been marginally adjusted. The new rate for an ordinary member is now R400 and for a senior member over 65 years of age it is R230 per annum.

JOIN THE SARL NOW AND YOU WILL GET MAY AND JUNE ON THE HOUSE

The SARL has a special offer for non-members to join the SARL. If you join now you will get May and June on the house. It will cost you only R400 for a subscription that will carry your membership through to the end of June 2013.

The SARL as the national body for amateur radio is representing you both locally and internationally and look after your interests. In recent times supporting the International Amateur Radio Union, amateurs have gained two new frequency allocations in the long wave and medium wave spectrum while working on a new allocation in the 5 MHz band.

To make use of this special offer complete the form on www.sarl.org.za, click on membership or call Mariska at 011 675-2329 for assistance.

AGM DECISIONS

Motion 1 dealing with the Jack Twine award was accepted unanimously. The motion makes it compulsory to submit a a full motivation when proposing a person for the award and not simply the name and the required support from six SARL members.

Motion 2: The rules of debate, which have been in use for many decades, are now part of the rules and not just the AGM agenda.

Motion 3 dealing with date and venues of the AGM was accepted unanimously and leaves it to council to select the date for the AGM.

Motion 4 was accepted unanimously. Councillors are now elected for two years with six or seven members retiring each year.

Motion 5 was passed. It deals with expulsion from the SARL. The new rule ensures that in the case where it is necessary to expel a member, he or she gets a fair hearing.

Motion 6 changes rule 1.5.6 replacing membership with affiliation, which applies to clubs.

Motion 7 introduces the SADC class of member

Motion 8 opens the forum to non-members and sets out a number of requirements such as the appointment of three moderators, the development of rules and a code of ethics. The motion was voted on as follows: 52 abstentions, 75 votes against and 106 votes for the motion.

Newly elected councillor Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, will handle the forum portfolio. A special email address for all matters related to the forum has been set-up: forumadmin@sarl.org.za.

All other correspondence with the SARL should be sent to secretary@sarl.org.za. Address changes and subscription enquiries should be addressed to admin@sarl.org.za.

Motion 9 was withdrawn as it addressed the same topic as motion 7.

Motion 10 suggesting member email addresses @sarl.org.za was lost. The cost implications make the proposal at this stage not financially viable.

MOTION 11 dealing with changes to the constitution to enable the SARL to apply for tax exemption was unanimously carried.

Under general the SARL regulator roadmap was discussed. Some discussion took place around the expiry of the ZU license for persons over 25 on 31 March 2013. It was agreed to make a further approach to ICASA. The roadmap will be available on the SARL web during next week.

2012 OLYMPICS NOT GREAT FOR RADIO AMATEURS

Details of amateur band frequency restrictions during the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympics Games have now been released by UK Telecommunications regulator Ofcom. The greatest impact to amateur radio appears to be satellite and other operations in 436 to 437 MHz. The restrictions only apply in geographically limited areas, with 70 cm being particularly affected around London and Weymouth.

CONTEST NEWS

ZS3 Sprint. The ZS3 Sprint, which will be run from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC on Sunday 6 May, is run to promote contacts between radio amateurs in the Northern Cape and radio amateurs in Southern African countries. It is a phone and CW contest on the 40-m band and the exchange is RS(T) and provincial or country abbreviation.

ZS3 stations will earn 1 point for a QSO from ZS3 and 2 points for a QSO from other ZS call areas or Southern African countries. Other stations will earn 2 points for a QSO with a station in ZS3 and 1 point

for a QSO with a station outside ZS3. Contacts with the Northern Cape ARC, ZS3NC, Namaqualand Aero Sport Association, ZS3FLY, or the Kalahari Karoo ARC, ZS3ARK, are worth 5 points each. Only one contact per station is allowed.

Log sheets must be submitted by 13 May and can be sent to ZS3 Sprint, PO Box 1049, Kathu, 8446 or by e-mail to zs3nc@qsl.net.

AWA Valve QSO Party.

On Saturday 12 May and Sunday 13 May the AWA Valve QSO party will be held. Saturday is the AM leg and Sunday the SSB leg. Time is from 15:00 to 19:00 CAT. Frequencies: 40 m, 7060 to 7100 kHz and 80 m, 3600 to 3650 kHz Exchange: Call sign, RS and consecutive numbers starting at 001 and the type of rig used. Scoring (your radio): All-valve radio, three points per contact; hybrid radio, two points per contact; solid state radio, one point per contact. Certificates will be awarded to the 3 highest scores in each category. Closing date for logs is 28th May 2012. Logs can be sent to andyzs6ady@vodamail.co.za or mailed to AWA of Southern Africa; PO Box 12320; Benoryn 1504.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity remains at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with smaller, fairly quiet sunspots.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 67.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Sunday 6 May - ZS3 Sprint will be run from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC. 12 May - SA AMSAT space symposium; visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and registration. Saturday 12 May and Sunday 13 May the AWA Valve QSO party/

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on

4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Fritz, ZS6SF.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

640. eHam.net News for Saturday 28 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-28 22:06:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c731d7eab04bec46d71@google.com>
Source record: 3157
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Club Members Rewarded for Activities:

Posted: 27 Apr 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28183

TORBAY Amateur Radio Society is keen to encourage new faces to the hobby and welcomes visitors and potential new members to weekly meetings. The club boasts more than 120 members, most of whom attend the meetings regularly. On the last meeting of each month, members are entertained by a speaker and have been since the club started in 1947, goodness knows how many topics have been discussed since then. The club also runs regular courses with a dozen participants recently gaining their radio licenses. In March, the group held a presentation night when lucky members were awarded recognition for club activities, ranging from distances worked and number of stations on all the various amateur radio bands, also the awards for the construction items judged from the January meeting. This was followed by a very nice buffet. The society will be running a foundation course in the not-too-distant future, so if you are interested in getting your foot on the first rung of amateur radio then please come along to a meeting.

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Not Your Father's Ham:

Posted: 27 Apr 2012 05:17 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28182

LIMERICK - Rex Harper is the kind of do-it-yourselfer who likes to tinker with things. A native of Cape Elizabeth, he taught himself computer programming, and made a good living for a while running the first retail computer store in Maine, back when Apple was just bursting onto the scene. Through the years, Harper, 62, has also made a pretty decent living working on small startup companies, making everything from counterfeit-proof poker chips to water filtration systems to computer systems specially designed for the disabled. Many of the latter systems, he said, he designed himself. "That's what I do," he said. "I'm a thinker-upper." These days, he lives in Limerick with his wife and daughter, and keeps himself busy running a side business out of a metal Quonset hut on his property - which he built himself - making and selling ham radio kits. Yes, ham radio. Ham radio uses designated frequencies only for private, non-commercial use. For those unfamiliar with the hobby, the words might call to mind a metal box the size and weight of a large wall safe, full of confusing dials and knobs. For a time, that was what the hobby was all about. But that was when

Dwight D. Eisenhower was president, and like all electronics, amateur radio sets have gotten smaller and cheaper.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #17 de K7RA:

Posted: 27 Apr 2012 03:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28181

Solar activity revived over the past week, with a big increase in sunspot numbers. On Friday, April 20, the daily sunspot number reached 162, and four days later on April 24 the number reached 169. This level of activity was not seen since last fall, when the daily sunspot number reached 173 on September 16, 184 on October 21, and 208 on November 9.

641. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 29 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-29 11:05:35 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73adae3204becf5076@google.com>
Source record: 3158
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio World Prefix Maps - Special discount for readers of this website

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EuXJNrLB-s8/amateur_radio_world_prefix_maps.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hamcall have produced an Amateur Radio World Prefix Map which is unbranded, i.e. there are no logos on the maps

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Amateur Radio Party Balloon Success!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wymA71oh3NI/amateur_radio_party_balloon_success.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob Bruninga WB4APR reports on the 2nd Party Balloon mission that took place Friday, April 27

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Army Training Video - FM Explained

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_umNbNdt6nw/army_training_video_fm_explained.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A 1964 US Army training film explains the basic principles of Frequency Modulation (FM)

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5 MHz Near-Vertical Incidence Skywave

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IRoOEFVoA0k/5mhz_near_vertical_incidence_skywave.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A paper 'Comparison of propagation predictions and measurements for midlatitude HF near-vertical incidence sky wave links at 5 MHz' by Marcus Walden G0IJZ has been published in the Radio Science journal

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Upcoming DXpedition to Mozambique

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mEVN_x0l14Y/upcoming_dxpedition_to_mozambique.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Daniel ZS6JR and Dior ZS6DJD will be operating from Mozambique for seven to ten days starting on the 3th or 4th of May 2012 depending how quick they get the equipment set-up

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SARL reaches out to SADC radio amateurs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v7ij_89XYhc/sarl_reaches_out_to_sadc_radio_amateurs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League (SARL) is reaching out to radio amateurs who are members of their national society in SADC countries, to join the SARL on a complimentary basis

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HxnjJxZdVWI/april_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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CT2IWW in Monte de Amarante for SOTA Portugal

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oix3XgSdJvw/ct2iww_in_monte_de_amarante_for_sota_portugal.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paulo Teixeira, CT2IWW will be active from the Monte de Amarante, in Northern Portugal, for the program SOTA Portugal - Summits On The Air Portugal, today, Sunday, April 29th (if the weather allows it)

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Bath-based Distance Learning

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MveqjNJQGVQ/bath_based_distance_learning.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The team that runs the Advanced Distance Learning based in Bath were awarded the Kenwood Trophy for their contribution to amateur radio training at the RSGB AGM

642. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 29 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-29 16:26:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403c7a7616404bed3cd61@google.com>
Source record: 3159
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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7O6 Socotra Island Yemen

Posted: 29 Apr 2012 06:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344276-7O6-Socotra-Island-Yemen&goto=newpost

RA3AUU , UA4HOX , N6PSE , RA9USU , YT1AD , K1LZ , UA3AB , R7LV will be
active from Socotra Island , Yemen starting any day with 7O6 prefix (call
sign is not announced yet) until 17 may 2012

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-island_yemen/

73 Al 4L5A

643. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1060

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-29 19:41:13 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <488.2241.qm@smtp103.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3160
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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April 30, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd-April, through Sunday, 29th-April there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

7O6, YEMEN. An international team of operators will be active as 7O6T from Socotra Island (AS-028) very soon (within a week) and through May 17th. The team has obtained the license and is enroute to Sanaa. They

plan to have six stations on the air (5x Elecraft K3 and Kenwood TS-590). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1845, 3780, 7065/7180, 14145, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz

QSL via UA3DX. More details about OQRS/Direct/Bureau/ LoTW will be available during the course of DXpedition. Operators mentioned are Dmitri/RA9USU (Team Leader), Harry/RA3AUU (Co-Leader), David/K3LP (Co-Leader), Andrew/UA3AB, Oleg/R3FA, Vlad/R7LV, Alex/RM2M, Yuri/RL3FT, Aleksey/UA4HOX, Choigonjav/JT1CO, Paul/N6PSE, David/WD5COV, and Hrane/YT1AD. The 7O6T operation is supported by: Ministry of Interior Republic of Yemen, Ministry of Information Republic of Yemen, Ministry of Radio Republic of Yemen and the Ministry of Telecommunications and Information Technology Republic of Yemen. The 7O6T operation does have a Web page and Twitter page: http://www.yemen2012.com/index.php https://twitter.com/#!/7o6t

8Q, MALDIVES. A group of JA operators will be active from North Mahe Atoll (AS-013) between May 11-16th. Operators mentioned (w/8Q callsigns) are Kanno/JA2AAU (8Q7NK), Yoshiyasu/JA2AIC (8Q7IC), Iku/JA2ATE (8Q7TE), Iwao/JA2LSS (8Q7CJ) and Tug/JA2ZS (8Q7ZS). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

9H, MALTA. Operators Olaf/DL4HG and Holger/DL5XAT will be active as 9H3OG and 9H3TX, respectively, from Gozo Island (EU-023) between November 21-26th. Activity will include the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry using the callsign 9H3TX. QSL 9H3OG via DL4HG, by the Bureau or direct. QSL 9H3TX via DL5XAT, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW.

9Q, DEM. REP. OF CONGO. News from the Association des Radio Amateur de la Republique Democratique du Congo (ARRAC) reports on QRZ.com [edited]:
"Finally after 2 years hard work good news from The Republique Democratique Congo. Thanks to STARS ON6WQ (IARU support To Amateur Radio service) for donation of a transceiver and antenna. Thanks to the Belgian DX Team: ON4AHF, ON4HIL, ON4ATW, ON4CIT, ON6CC, ON4IA and PA3EWP. Also thanks to Henk, ON4AHF, for the VHF donations and support on the training course via SKYPE and mail. Also, Pascal, ON4CFC, who lives in Kinshasa and helped the new members on their training course together with 9Q1PM and 9Q1HN. With this help, here are the results:
This is the list of the only real operators who passed the first exam on the date of January 27th, 2012, and now have their own their P.N.T.C Amateur Radio certificate.
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9Q1BT - Tshiela Brigite 9Q1RM - Muamba Richard
9Q1ALA - Akongunuka Annie 9Q1WM - Mulumba Wamans
9Q1AD - Diluzeyi Angelique 9Q1JL - Lukusa Jean Willy
9Q1AK - Kitete Agnes 9Q1RE - Ekaya Robert

9Q1LJ - Lihau Jeanine 9Q1JI - Ifaso Jean Maurice
9Q1MM - Mbuyi Marie Louise 9Q1HN - Ngilima Henry
9Q1YM - Muaka Ngimbi Yvette 9Q1PM - Pascal Mbuyi
9Q1NH - Nsele Hortense 9Q1KM - Mpinda Khal
9Q1FS - Sua Francoise 9Q1LE - Enyeka Lazare
9Q1NW - Watuala Webe Nicole 9Q1CM - Makiamfu Jean Claude
9Q1MP - Mangala Jean Pierre
9Q1HM - Mbenga Hermes
9Q1DN - Ngelebeya Dieudonne

ON4CFC has received the 9Q1CFC trainer certificate from the office of the General Secretariat P.N.T.C RDC Kinshasa. 9Q0AR WILL SOON BE ON THE AIR WITH 100% QSL SUPPORT VIA A QSL MANAGER AND DXCC ACCEPTANCE. PLEASE BE PATIENT, MORE NEWS IS FORTHCOMING SOON."

A5, BHUTAN. A JA team of operators will be active from a hotel (altitude 10,000 ft.) in Thimpu between June 6-14th. Operators mentioned with their A5 callsigns are Shigeo/JA1JQY (A52JY), Nakayama/JA1KJW (A52KJ), Kaoru/ JA3MCA (A52MA), Akira/JK1EBA (A52BA) and Kunio/JA8VE (A52VE). Activity will be on 160-6 meters [with an emphasis on 6 meters] using CW, SSB and RTTY. A beacon will be on 50.125 MHz. QSL via their home callsigns.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Operators Daniel/ZS6JR and Dior/ZS6DJD will be operating from Mozambique for 7-10 days starting on May 3rd or 4th, depending on how quick they install/get their equipment up and running. Dior informs OPDX, [edited] "The idea was to park next to a small lake in Shai Shai, Mozambique, 400 km north of the capital and operate all vertical antennas with the earth wires in the water and see what we could do. So we will operate vertical on most bands 40m to 10m, but Daniel has also decided to take a Hex beam antenna with him. If we get a chance, we will also work 6m and 80m. I do not have a callsign as yet. We will be getting it soon. I will probably get C91JD or C91DJ or C91DN. Conditions allowing, we should be on all the bands." Some suggested frequencies by Dior are:
20m - 14210, 14200, 14195 or 14190 kHz
15m - 21280, 21275, 21270, 21.265 or 21250 kHz
10m - 28450, 28470 or 28500 kHz
Also, watch 17m and 12m.
Daniel, ZS6JR, will probably be signing C91JR, and will be active on RTTY and PSK. QSL C91JR via GI4FIM.

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Barry, ZS1FJ/9V1FJ/G4MFW, will be active from several different locations in the Caribbean during the month of May. All of the activities listed below will be under the CEPT authority, and he will be signing with the callsign ***/G4MFW (ex. PJ2/G4MFW, FS/G4MFW, etc...). Barry tells OPDX that this is not a holiday operation, but a serious operation. He will use low power (100w) with wire antennas, and it is possible that a fellow ham will be joining him to ramp up the activity. He also mentions that this is his 27th one man DXpedition, and that "I am an old style ham and this is on my 80th year. For example paper logs!" Look for him to be on 40/20/17/15/10 meters SSB only. Also, Dennis, ZS1AU, is expected to be the pilot for Barry's activities. QSL all

activities via 9V1FJ in Singapore. His tentative schedule is as follows:
May 9-11th - St. Maarten (PJ7) and St. Martin (FS) Islands
May 12-14th - Saba Island (PJ5)
May 15-16th - St. Barthelemy (FJ)
May 17-20th - Curacao (PJ2) and Bonaire (PJ4) Islands

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR (Press Release #7, dated April 22nd). "ST0R voted as Dxpedition of the Year -- During this weekend's International DX Convention in Visalia, California, the ST0R team was honored as the 'Dxpedition of the Year' as voted upon by the membership of the Northern California DX Club.
The ST0R team is very honored to receive this recognition. ST0R Co-Leaders Antonio Gonzalez-EA5RM and Paul Ewing-N6PSE received the honors from NCDXC President, Russ Bentson-K6KLY. ST0R team members David Collingham-K3LP, Roberto Filloy Garcia-EA2RY and Hrane Milosevic-YT1AD were also present and participated in this great honor.
The Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends/Tifariti Gang are very proud of this honor and are actively working on future plans for further DXpeditions together.
Thank you,
Antonio Gonzalez-EA5RM -- The Tifariti Gang
Paul Ewing-N6PSE -- The Intrepid-DX Group"

E51, NORTH COOK ISLANDS. Warwick, E51WL, on Penrhyn, was heard this past week and weekend on 6 meters. Be looking for him just before 2300z on or around 50.120 MHz.

EG8, CANARY ISLANDS. Members of Gran Canaria DX Group and the local Club of the URE, will activate the special callsign EG8WFF from the central mountains of Gran Canaria (1650m above sea level - IOTA AF-004) on May 5th and 6th, and will be valid for the World Flora and Fauna Award (EAFF-078 Biosphere Reserve and DME 35033). They plan to have several stations on the air using CW, SSB and RTTY on all HF bands. QSL via EA8AKN.

EM67, UKRAINE (Special Event). Members of the Crimean Contest Radio Club (UU5J) will be active as EM67J during May 1-15th. Activity is to commemorate the 67th anniversary of the "Victory in the Great Patriotic War". QSL via K2PF. Log will be upload to LoTW in late May or early June.

HS, THAILAND (French News). Maurice, F5NQL, reports that Alain, F6HBR, has been living in Thailand since 2006. After seven years of negotiations between France and Thailand, a reciprocal agreement has been signed during last December 2011. So as of April 25th, and for the first time, a French operator has received a Thai license. Alain, F6HBR, (ex-FO8FW & FR5EM) is now HS0ZKG. Look for Alain to be active mainly on CW, and on a little PSK and RTTY from Koh Samui (AS-101). More information is to follow. A second French ham is living in Thailand -- Gerald, F8DEG. He is expected to be the second French ham signing HS0Z??.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-011. Nobby, G0VJG, will be active as G0VJG/p from St. Mary Island

between July 27-30th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/SSB/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-070. Operators Holger/DL1COP, Alex/DL1KD, Jurgen/DJ2VO, Martin/DL3KMS and Helmut/DL3KBQ will be active as F/homecall from Porquerolles Island (DIFM ME010, WLOTA 1107) between May 12-25th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters and on all modes. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-103. Operators Adam/EI5JQ, Oleg/EI7KD, Michal/SP9UUC, Ark/EI9KC, Dan/EI3JZ, Robert/EI6KD and Krzysztof/SQ7NNM will be active as EJ0PL from Little Saltee, Ireland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Island entry. QSL via EI5JQ, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-015. Frank, CO2IR, is now active from La Habana (Grid Loc: EL-83) during his free time and between taking his university exams. Activity will last until May 1st, and operations will be on 14200 kHz (+/- QRM) on SSB, and 14010 kHz (+/- QRM) on CW, running 100w into a vertical ground-plane antenna. The QSL route is only direct to EB7DX (QSL manager).

NA-240. Operators Yuri/N3QQ and Tim/NL8F of the "KL7RRC/p 2012 Alaska Team Trip" will arrive in Bethel on May 10th, with a goal of activating Pingurbeck Island. Yuri informs OPDX that they are still looking for additional team member, if you have some time on your hands, please contact him or Tim ASAP. Locals are predicting the ice conditions on the river near Bethel will break around May 12th. Currently, the ice near the islands are now about 4-6". The only realistic way to get to the island is by air, and they hope that the company they are speaking with will meet them at the airport at 8 AM. More specific dates as it is looks now, if weather permits, they will fly on the same day, May 10th, in the evening to island. They will stay there at least until May 14th (evening or longer), so the estimated time is May 10-14th, to activate this NEW IOTA. QSLs can be confirmed by either QSL Manager Yuri/UA9OBA or Dick/N7RO. Activity wil be on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB. Their equipment: 3 radios (IC-7600, IC-7000 x2), 2 amps (Ameritron ALS-600S), EU2000i generator, several full size vertical dipoles for 20/17/15m and two 1/4 wave verticals for 40m/30m. Yuri states, "We would like to thank for a financial support Shu/JN6RZM and his dedicated group, IREF, GDXF and all individual donors world-wide. Since it is our second attempt, any additional help would be appreciated. Paypal E-mails <ttim@arctic.net>
or <n3qq@na-234.com>. Thank you! No need to mail QSL for donors, contacts will be confirmed direct, no postage is necessary. All Bureau cards will be confirmed via Bureau. We will keep you posted about new developments. Live tracking of

our location should be available after May 9th, at:
http://www.NA-234.com

SA-080. Renner, PY7RP, will be active as PY7RP/6 from Tinhar Island
between May 10-13th. Activity will be holiday style operating
CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (April 30th-May 06th)....
Apr/30th AN-HN May/03rd AN May/05th AN
May/01st HN-AN May/04th AN May/06th AN
May/02nd AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K9 100-400

LZ67, BULGARIA (Special Event/EME Op). Look for special event callsign
LZ67VZ to be active during the Memorial "Pobeda 67" (from 0800z, May 5th,
through 1400z, May 9th). Activity is devoted to the World War II hero and
Bulgarian General Vladimir Zaimov. Operators mentioned are Alex/LZ1ADF,
Boyan/LZ1BJ, Valyo/LZ1DOT, Ned/LZ1DX, Slav/LZ1MC, Gosho/LZ1ZF, Boris/LZ2JR,
Krasi/LZ2UW, Christo/LZ3FN and Emil/LZ3HI. Operations will be on PSK during
the Memorial "Pobeda 67" and details of this event can be found at:
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id56&It
emid3
Ned, LZ1DX, will activate this special callsign LZ67VZ on EME, and on the
following frequencies: 432.144 MHz, 2320.144 MHz and 2304.144 MHz. To
arrange SKEDs, please send an E-mail to: lz1dx@lz1dx.org
All contacts will be confirmed 100% via the QSL Bureau. For more details,
please see: http://www.qrz.com/db/lz67vz

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated April 29th)

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3Z2X via SP2YWL EG7ODN via EA7RCM KH7XS/W4 via K4XS
4K9SONG via DL6KVA EG7SCD via EA7IZI TC23NSN via YM3KT (d)
4S7BRG via LZ3HI EK97GM via EK-Bureau TF3/DF8AN/P via DF8AN
9A203XM/P via 9A3XM EY8MM via K1BV TM1F via IK2DUW
9H3XX via DJ2EH F/W0ND/P via W0ND YT16IARU via YU1EA
AA1BV via JT1BV HB0/DL2SBY via DL2SBY ZW5B via K3IRV
C6AGW via I2VGW KA9FOX via W9RPM

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

JX5O QSL. Scotty, WK3N, provides OPDX readers with an interesting review/ video clip on the JX5O QSL card. Take a look:

http://www.flipshare.com/login.aspx?nRecipient=IEOTU4OUItODY3Ri00OEJDLU E5MjEtQzJDOEI0MUZEQUM3&nFrame=czQjAyNjktQjU3Mi00MEU3LUIwRDktQTRENzExQjQ2 MzIx&nMethod=1haWw=Media=BCMDMzNzAtQzBCRC00REFBLThCOTgtQzNBQTAxQ jJERkVG&emt=8804c0-c55c-43f4-bb5d-6f0b43b92e5c&slocale=_US&emailThum bnail=ngle

TO3A QSL STATUS. Nick, VE3EY, reports that all direct QSL requests are done and a few dozen FJ/VE3EY QSLs should be in the mail this week. Nick states, "I was hoping to have all this done earlier but more pressing things in life have gotten in between (mortgage, work, over-time etc etc). Thanks for your patience."

ZY0T & PP0T QSLS. Fred Laun, K3ZO, Manager of the NCDXA/ARRL Third Call Area Incoming QSL Bureau, reports, "DXers will be pleased to note that a recent shipment to the W3 Bureau from Global QSL included a sizable number of cards from ZY0T." He also mentioned, "The W3 QSL Bureau recently received a bunch of PP0T cards shipped out by EB7DX through the URE Bureau."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3D2R, 9N7MD, AT2DW, 6H6IARU, DQ4W, F8RZ, FY9PE, LW7DUC, OK1WCF, ON4CMT, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PW0PP, VK2GWK, XE2FGC, YL2JZ and ZX2B

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0NJ, 603A, 6Y1V, 7U1MA, 9J2BO, C21HA, C6AZZ, FJ/VE3EY, J79WE, JX5O, KG4KL, OD5WPX, OH2BH, OJ0B, OJ0X, PZ5RO, TG8/W0OR, TL0CW, TO3A, TT8M, TX7M, V85TL, VK0TH, VK9N/ZL1RS, VO2NS, VP6T, VP8SGP, VU2ELJ, XW0ZJZ and YC0BNX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3C9B, 4W6A, 5R8HL, 5V7CC, 9Q6AL, 9U0A, 9X0SP, A92IO, CE0Y/DK7ZB, CE0Z/SM6CUK, D44TBW, DU1IST, FJ/OH2YL, HC8GR, HK0GU, J28JA, J5V, JW8DW, OJ0B, OY3AA, P29VCX, P29VJY, PJ4I, T30XG, T8CW, T88RX, UK/JI2MFD, V63JY, V73RRC, YE39AR, YI1RZ, YI9WV, ZD8O, ZD9T, ZL7J and ZL7/N7OU

SJ9WL AND LG5LG, MOROKULIEN STATION. Operators Ron/DL6AUK and Sven/DJ2AT will activate the special Swedish/Norwegian peace monument "Morokulien" as LG5LG and SJ9WL between May 22-31st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters [with a focus on 40/20m] using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. The callsign will change every day at 0000z. During the last 2 days there will be QRP operation exclusively on 80/40/30/20 meters. Look for updates and times of activities on the QRZ.com Web page under DJ2AT shortly before the DXpedition starts. An award (Morokulien) will be available for 2 contacts with each call on different bands and different days. QSL via Bureau or direct to LA4EKA. For more details on this station, visit: http://www.sj9wl-lg5lg.com

XX9, MACAO. Look for a Spanish/French team of operators to be active as XX9E from Coloane Island (AS-075, WW Loc. OL62SC) between May 17-23rd. Operators mentioned are Jose/EA1ACP, Ruben/EA5BZ (Team Leader), Pasqua/ EA5CEE, Fernando/EA5FX, Biel/EA6DD, Francisco/EA7FTR, Jose/EB5BBM, David/ EB7DX and Adrian/F5VLY. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY, with at least 3 stations on

the air simultaneously on different bands and modes. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3523, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24893 and 28023 kHz
SSB - 1825, 3780, 7065/7160, 14145, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24921 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50103/CW and 50115/SSB kHz

A survey is available for bands/modes needs on their Web page. QSL via EB7DX, direct or by the Bureau. All QSL will be confirmed via LoTW. Visit the XX9E Web site at: http://www.adxg.org/xx9

XZ, MYANMAR (Update to OPDX.1037). Back in November, Simon, HS0ZIB/G6JFY, informed OPDX that his QTH in Thailand is only a few hours drive to Myanmar, and he makes regular trips to the country (He states that he is there weekly). It seems his discussions with authorities from the Myanmar Ministry of Post & Telecommunications and the Ministry of Tourism for about a year has paid off and he now has a license. Simon has been allowed to set up a "low-key" station in Kawthaung and is expected to be on the air as XZ1K. However, activity will be limited. Currently, Simon works as a volunteer language (English and Thai) and computer teacher in Myanmar, as well as a professional construction/ manager in both Myanmar and Thailand, so amateur radio operations have to fit in with his busy work schedule. He states, "I will try to schedule my ham radio activities to fit in with band and propagation conditions, and openings/greyline paths. His tentative band plan and mode of operation are as follows:
20m - PSK 14070 kHz UP (He will watch the waterfall up to 3 kHz)
20m - SSB 14160 kHz UP as directed
10m - SSB 28400 kHz UP as directed
SPECIAL NOTES (per Simon):
* For SSB operations, he will usually work split, up to 5 kHz UP (so please do not all call him on the exact same frequency).
* For PSK operations, he will watch his Digipan waterfall up to 3 kHz UP (please do not call on his transmit frequency).
* Please do not call for duplicate QSOs - you are either in the log or you are not in the log!
* If mobile network coverage allows, he will upload QSOs in real-time, otherwise please check his log later.
* Please use your full callsign, do not call using only the suffix.
* Shouting, pleading and invoking Mother of God will not help you to make a QSO.
* This is NOT a limited time DXpedition - Simon is expected to be in Myanmar for many years.
* Please consider making a donation to <MyanmarTeachers.org>.
* If you need to contact him, please do so via his E-mail address on QRZ.com.

All QSL card requests for QSO contacts and SWL (short wave listener) reports are made by OQRS (Online QSL Request Service). There is no direct mail, Bureau, LoTW or eQSL support. OQRS costs 5 USDs per QSL card, and you can also add (at your absolute discretion) an optional donation for

his volunteer work - please visit <www.myanmarteachers.org>. You can pay online using Paypal, debit or credit card. (If you do not have a debit/ credit card, please ask a friend to make the payment for you). For more details, updates and an online log search, visit: http://www.xz1k.org

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. "The Daily DX" reports that there is a new operator on the island, and he is Rory, ZS6RGV, who is a radio technician for the base on Marion Island. He currently does not have a ZS8 callsign, but Pierre, ZS1HF (ex-ZS8M), is expected to help him obtain one. Also, it may be sometime before we hear Rory because he is very busy at the moment helping with the change over (old team with the new team) on the island. "The Daily DX" reports that Rory has an IC-736 and FL-7000. Pierre, ZS1HF, is planning to be the QSL manager, once Rory is on the air.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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644. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 29th April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-29 20:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120429200003.7D51E33C98@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3161
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 29th April 2012

IRTS AGM Weekend

Our AGM Weekend took place on Saturday and Sunday last in Dundalk. The event was hosted by the Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, who pulled out all the stops to ensure that everything went smoothly.

The first function was the IRTS Annual Dinner on Saturday. This was very well attended, with more than 90 members and guests present. The guests included Hans Timmerman, PB2T (President of IARU Region 1), Colin Thomas, G3PSM (representing RSGB), Rory Hinchy, EI4DJB (representing the Minister for Communications), Derek O'Reilly (representing ComReg) and Marianne Butler, who chairs Dundalk Town Council. After the dinner we were entertained by the Donal Nagle Band.

The usual traders and some more took tables at Sunday's Rally; business seemed to be reasonably brisk. Coinciding with the Rally there was a talk on SD Logging by Paul EI5DI, author of the SD Logging Program. The 80m news was read from the Rally at 12.00 noon by Ger EI4GXB inside the AREN mobile unit which was situated in hotel car park.

The turnout at the society's Annual General Meeting was the highest in recent years. In addition to the presentation of the Committee Report and the Annual Accounts, there was a lively discussion at the meeting on points raised by members. Also, Paul EI2CA formally handed over the presidency to S&#65533;amus EI8BP. Prior to the handover, Paul presented the President's Cup to John Tait, EI7BA "for his excellence in DXing over decades". The President's Cup - awarded to John Tait EI7BA "for excellence in DXing over decades" Sheila Piper Cup - awarded to Pat Fitzpatrick EI2HX "for his series of articles on Amateur Television which were published in Echo Ireland." See www.irts.ie/awards for more information on the trophies and cups presented at this year's AGM.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The May meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place on Wednesday next the 2nd of May in Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road ,Clonmel at 8.30pm,All are welcome.

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The examination may be held on that day at other centres where warranted by the number of candidates. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

For those who have expressed interest in participating in Theory Classes leading to the Amateur Radio Licence with South Eastern Amateur Radio Group, there will be an information / planning session at our next general meeting which takes place at 8:30 p.m. on Monday 30 April (tomorrow) in the Roanmore Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. All are welcome!

Vinny EI5GLB

Vinny EI5GLB is looking for new members to sign up for ecomputerclassifieds.com. All new members get 30 days free. Sign up today and start selling your unwanted items.

HAMCON

The Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference - brought to you by West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club, Technology Education Centre, 2 Spillers Place, Omagh. Lectures/Seminars, Demonstrations, Special Interest Groups, Trade Stands, National Societies, Disabled Facilities, Door Prizes, Raffle, Catering. The event this year takes place 16th June 2012.

Dave, WJ2O,

Dave, WJ2O is planning to visit and travel around Ireland and Northern Ireland for 10 days in the middle of July 2012. He is looking for suggestions of interesting ham radio sites on the island.

You can E-mail him at dave /at/wj2o/dot/.com. He maintains a website of all his ham radio travels at wj2o.com.

DX News

Luigi IV3XNF will be operating as OD5/IV3XNF from the Lebanon from early May until October next. He is part of the UNIFIL mission in that country and will be operating from a military base. QSLs go via his home call and he will also upload his logs to Logbook of the World.

Special prefixes of GQ, MQ and 2Q will be heard from the United Kingdom to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee from 5 May until 10 June. In addition to this some stations in Gibraltar will use the prefix ZQ instead of the normal ZB.

Seppo OH1VR who was heard last week operating from Crete as SV9/OH1VR will be returning to Bermuda from 7 - 13 May where he will sign OH1VR/VP9.

As a result of a reciprocal licensing agreement between France and Thailand which was signed last December there should soon be a number of new calls on the bands. The first of these is Alain HS0ZKG. His home call is F6HBR and he has also been active as FO8FW and FR5EM. He operates mainly CW and will count as AS-101 for the Islands on the Air Award.

April 28th to May 5th.Hatteras Island IOTA NA 067 Andy Ronan N9TGR (EI6KG)(ex EI8IM) will be active family style.Yaesu FT-897,Ameritron AL-811 600 watts into a Cushcraft R7.Will pay special attention to EI calls.Callsign will be N9TGR/4

Eurovision Song Contest special callsigns

A number of amateur radio stations in Azerbaijan will be operating special event stations with the suffix SONG or S0NG during the "Eurovision Song Contest" until Jun 15.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

645. eHam.net News for Sunday 29 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-29 22:37:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a12924845704bed8fb31@google.com>
Source record: 3162
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Prepare for the Big One:

Posted: 28 Apr 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28184

ASTORIA, Ore. (AP) -- The Big One is on Nathan Lee's mind. More than four years after the Great Coastal Gale of 2007, and in the wake of the 2011 Japanese earthquake and tsunami, Lee and a small cadre of amateur radio junkies are preparing for the worst and having a great time doing it. With concerns growing over the dangers posed by the Cascadia Subduction Zone, where shifting tectonic plates pose the risk of creating huge earthquakes along the western seaboard, Lee figures that when the inevitable strikes, people can either be part of the solution or part of the problem. Guess which he is? His Jeep is a mobile radio station for the survivalist set. Resting inside a locked metal briefcase, like a Russian nesting doll, is another locked metal box, all of which is chained to the back seat. Inside is a "terminal node controller," a thin rectangular box that looks like a standard car radio but is actually a special piece of amateur radio equipment used to transmit signals around the globe. His radio-outfitted rig ensures that when Mother Nature turns tempestuous, he and the other members of the Clatsop County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) will have the county covered. "It doesn't have to be a tsunami, either," Lee says. "It could just be another storm." Ham radio operators -- as amateurs are often called -- like Lee -- are a breed apart, says Jeff Holwege, Clatsop County's volunteer emergency coordinator. They dedicate hours a week to fiddling with their radio gear and are identifiable by their over-air call signs, which they use in place of their names.

646. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 30 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-30 11:04:31 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c92c2590228504bee36a78@google.com>
Source record: 3163
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Delfi-C3 (DO-64) - 4 years in orbit

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HjCKXicdHW0/delfi_c3_4_years_in_orbit.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On April 28, 2012 the nanosatellite Delfi-C3 (DO-64) celebrated 4 years in
orbit and is still alive and kicking!

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Whistle-like signal in Amateur Radio 40m band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mwUmDFMLxYw/whistle_like_signal_in_amateur_radio_40m_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

OZ9AEC has found a strange signal in the 7 MHz band using his AMSAT-UK
FUNcube Dongle with an HF up-converter

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RSGB Board Proceedings for April Teleconference

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CEBMpwNUaH0/rsgb_board_proceedings_for_april_teleconference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB Board Proceedings for the April 2012 teleconference are now
available

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Student CubeSat First-MOVE - Vacuum Test Video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Gp1qrQ1PuVc/student_cubesat_first_move_vacuum_test_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

First-MOVE is an amateur radio CubeSat being built by students at the
Technical University of München

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We Are Makers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ycRMngGJpgE/we_are_makers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

MAKE magazine publisher Dale Dougherty says we're all makers at heart, and shows cool new tools to tinker with, like Arduinos, affordable 3D printers, even DIY satellites

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/T7bhfRRYiSY/april_30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Socotra Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gDtpYhaKseg/socotra_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An international team of operators will be active as 7O6T from Socotra Island (AS-028) very soon (within a week) and through May 17th. The team has obtained the license and is enroute to Sanaa

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VvYi6Kq7SpA/dxcc_report_3004.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 22nd-April, through Sunday, 29th-April there were 227 countries active

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tyzt2U8-1vw/history_30_april.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

647. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-04-30 12:00:16 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 29th April 2012

The news headlines:

* New Ofcom Regulations for the Olympic Games

* Dr Marcus Walden, G0IJZ publishes 5MHz paper in Radio Science

* Planned maintenance for Cornish beacons

Ofcom have issued a consultation on regulations that will enable prompt enforcement action for interference cases that affect the Olympics. The draft regulations designate 25-35km radii around all major venues across the UK, including football stadia, where enhanced enforcement could apply. Ofcom's proposals can be found on their website at http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/consultations. The announcement follows last week's Ofcom notice of restrictions to the 70cm, 2.3 and 3.4GHz amateur bands.

A paper entitled Comparison of propagation predictions and measurements for mid-latitude HF near-vertical incidence sky wave links at 5MHz has just been published in the peer-reviewed, academic journal Radio Science. The paper, by Dr Marcus Walden, G0IJZ, compares near-vertical incidence skywave, or NVIS, measurements from the UK 5MHz beacon network with HF propagation predictions using VOACAP and ASAPS software. Further information, including a link to the paper, can be found on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/spectrumforum/hf/5mhzintro.php.

The GB3MCB Mid-Cornwall beacons on 6 metres, 4 metres, 2 metres and 70cm will all be switched off between 8am and 7pm on Saturday 5 May. All four beacon antennas and their feeders are being replaced, because they are over 20 years old. The Mid-Cornwall Group apologises for the interruption in service, but it is hoped this will provide improved beacon signals in future on all four bands.

At the end of last year, the Emergency Services Amateur Radio DX Group was born on Facebook. The idea was that serving and retired members of any of the Emergency Services could meet through the Group to discuss their common interest in amateur radio. The Group has been very successful and a net has now started on 40m. The net is run by Jim, GM0GMN and Tony, M6AIV and is open to anyone who serves or has served within one of the services, either full time or as a volunteer. The net takes place on 7.173MHz every Thursday evening at 1800UTC. Further

details from Jim or Tony, both are QTHR.

RadCom HF columnist, Don Field, G3XTT took top honours in the first ever LA Contest Club CW Pile Up Competition held at LA Ham Meeting, Letohallen, near Oslo. The competition was organized by Bj�rn, LB1GB of LA Contest Club. Begali Keys sponsored the first prize, a fine Morse key, which Don brought home to England.

Over the last few years, GB0VUL has been used by various members of the Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society to promote XH558, the last flying Vulcan bomber. This year the callsign GB60VUL is being used to promote 60 years of the Vulcan Bomber and the Vulcan's Salute to Her Majesty during her Diamond Jubilee year. The call will be active from 6 different locations from 30 April to 27 May. These include Robin Hood Airport Doncaster, the Control Tower at Greenham Common, and the 211 Squadron ATC in Newbury. Details will appear in GB2RS nearer the time. And now for the details of forthcoming rallies and events

The Dambusters Hamfest will take place on 6 May at Thorpe Camp Visitor Centre, Coningsby, Lincs LN4 4PE. Admission is £3 and there is free parking. Pitches are free but size is limited if not pre-booked. There is a RAF heritage centre on site. Overnight camping is available by appointment. Gates open at 10am.

The Dartmoor Radio Club Rally takes place on Bank Holiday Monday, 7 May, at Tavistock College, Crowndale Rd, Tavistock, Devon PL19 8DD. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special interest groups. Details from Viv on 01752 823 427.

Advance notice now for the Rochdale & District ARS Flea Market and Junk Sale to be held on 12 May. Taking place at St Vincent's Church Hall, Caldershaw Rd, Rochdale OL12 7QL, the doors open at 10am. There will be trade stands, car boot sale area and a Bring & Buy. Pitches cost £7.50. Unfortunately, the contact details that appeared in RadCom were incorrect, so to book your place, contact G0PUD on 01706 346 517 or e-mail dave.shaw1@sky.com.

Now for the news of special events

There will be a Vulcan special event station at Finningley Robin Hood International Airport, with the callsign GB60VUL, from 5 to 12 May. This will be in conjunction with Newbury Amateur Radio Society. The Finningley Amateur Radio Society will be there with their communications van and the radio station will be open from 8am to 9pm. Special QSL cards will be available for all contacts.

Sherwood Amateur Radio Club are operating GB1TBW for Nottinghamshire Scouts from 4 to 7 May. The organisers are hoping for plenty of contacts as the Scouts will be participating with QSOs. There will also be an ARDF event for them.

On 6 May, Felixstowe & District ARS will be operating GB2CRF using original Clansman radio equipment on HF, 4m and 6m from the Suffolk Aviation Heritage Society's Falklands 30th event at RAF Foxhall Heath. Further details from Iain G0OZS on 07850 424007. QSL cards for GB2CRF should be sent via the RSGB bureau please.

Dengie Hundred Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB0SMA from Stow Maries Aerodrome in Essex from 5 to 7 May to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Royal Air Force. They will be active on bands between 160m & 70cm. Stow Maries Aerodrome in Essex is probably the best preserved World War 1 airfield in the UK with over 20 of the original buildings still standing. It was home to 37 Home Defence Squadron, Royal Flying Corps and then after 1 April 1918, 37 Squadron, Royal Air Force.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

ZS6JR and ZS6DJD will be operating from Mozambique for seven days from 3 or 4 May. The idea is to park next to a small lake in Shai Shai, 400km north of the capital, and operate all vertical antennas with the earth wires in the water. They will operate vertically on most bands 40m to 10m.

Alain, F6HBR lives in Thailand and has been issued a reciprocal Thai callsign. Operating as HS0ZKG he works mainly CW with some PSK and RTTY from Koh Samui, which is IOTA reference AS-101.

Noel, OO4O will be active as OZ/OO4O from Hou Fyr on Langeland Island, which is IOTA reference EU-172, until 5 May. He will operate mainly SSB and CW on the HF bands. QSL via LoTW and the Belgian QSL bureau. Now the contest news

Today, 29 April, the BARTG Sprint takes place from 1700 to 2100UTC. Using 75 baud RTTY only on the 3.5 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is serial number. Please note all entries are single op.

Tuesday 1 May sees the 144MHz UK Activity Contest taking place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The first leg of the 2E0ITV Commemorative Multi Mode competition takes place on 4 May from 1900 to 2230BST. The event is organised by Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club. The exchange is callsign, locator and serial number. The 4 May event uses BPSK-3 on the HF bands as well as 6, 4 and 2m. QRP entries have a maximum of 5W output and QRO entries 20W output. Further details from the FELCC information line on 0755 436 2020 or from bren.sykes@btinternet.com.

The 432MHz trophy takes place on 5 May from 1400 to 2200UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 5 May between 1400 and 2200UTC, the 10GHz trophy takes place. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Finally, over the weekend 5 and 6 May, the 432MHz to 248GHz trophy takes place between 1400 and 1400UTC. Using all modes on the bands between 432MHz and 248GHz, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 20th to Thursday the 26th of April, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 27th of April.

Despite several large sunspot groups, solar activity remained at low levels. Several C class solar flares took place every day, a couple produced Earth directed coronal mass ejections. Solar flux levels increased to 149 units on the 21st but then declined to 119 by the 26th. The average was 137 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 26th remained at the same level as last week at 112 units. X-ray flux levels increased to B6.4 units by the 22nd but then declined to B4.1 units by the 26th. The average was B5 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels with an Ap index of 8 units for the first three days on the period before a coronal mass ejection arrived and activity increased to Ap 30 units on the 23rd and 43 the next day. Just as this storm was subsiding a coronal hole disturbance arrived with an Ap index of 31 and 20 units on the 25th and the 26th respectively. The average was Ap 21 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 290 kilometres per second on the 20th to 800 by the 25th. Particle densities were low except for an increase on the 23rd to 34 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz varied between minus 7 and plus 5 on the quieter days and between minus 16 and plus 14 nanoTeslas during the coronal mass ejection disturbance and between minus 12 and plus 10 nanoTeslas during the coronal hole disturbance. The disturbances resulted in degraded propagation on the higher HF bands, with MUFs being down several MHz from late on the 21st to the early hours of the 25th. Aurora was reported between the 21st and the 25th but for much of the time favouring North America. European contacts were largely confined to high latitudes.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be low on most days. Solar flux levels should be around the 120 mark for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 25MHz for the south and 22MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week via the short path to Japan will be around 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1400 hours. Occasional Sporadic-E openings will take place with openings up to 50MHz possible.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization, from 7pm on Monday 30 April. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday the club HF net is on 3.748MHz from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

South Birmingham Radio Society is doing aerial and trailer work on Monday 30 April. On Wednesday 2 May there is a lecture in the main hall, and on Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. On Friday 4 May attention turns to shack and aerial work. For more information contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a Junk Sale on Tuesday 1 May. On Friday 4 May they are operating GB2TBC from West Yorkshire Scouts' Big Camp at Harrogate. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 144MHz UK AC on Tuesday 1 May. On Wednesday they are on the air and having a natter night. On Thursday 3 May there's a club net on GB3LM from 2000 and Saturday 3 May sees the Mentor Scheme. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday 1 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club invites members onto the air on 2m from home. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Monday 30 April Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday 1 May Wythall Radio Club starts its CW Activity Month for the Lew Williams Shield. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Wednesday 2 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 2 May South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 2 May Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is putting GX3ZME on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 3 May Leicestershire Repeater Group is holding its AGM at 8pm at The Brant Inn, off Overdale Avenue, Groby LE6 0DU. Details from Geoff, G4AFJ, on 01455 823 344.

On Thursday 3 May Hucknall Rolls Royce Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt, starting at 7.30pm from the club car park. All are welcome. Contract Dave Wilde, G1YAI, on 0845 463 9640.

On Thursday 3 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Richard, G3VZG. Details are on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 4 May Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having reflections on Rugby Radio by Malcolm Hancock. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND Today, Sunday 29 April, Laurie, G0MRL is making his last news readings on VHF and UHF for listeners in the Greater Manchester area, which he has been doing for over 16 years. He will, however, continue to be a reserve newsreader for the 80 metres reading in the North West. With effect from next Sunday, 6 May, some changes are being made to the schedules. Firstly, the SSB reading on 144.250MHz is being discontinued. Likewise, all morning and evening readings on 51.530MHz and via GB3MR on 433.350MHz are being terminated. Readings on 2 metres and 4 metres FM will continue as before. If any RSGB members in the Greater Manchester area would like to join the team of news readers they should contact the GB2RS News Manager Gordon Adams, G3LEQ, on 01 565 652 652 for more information.

On Monday 30 April South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Monday 30 April Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 30 April Bolton Wireless Club is holding a quiz night. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 30 April Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is watching the T32C East Kiribati DXpedition video. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 1 May Chester & District Radio Society 'is looking at oscilloscopes and their uses with transmitters. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 1 May Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society members will be investigating tuning traps for dipoles, on the air and continuing the Foundation course. Details form Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 1 May Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a members' night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 1 May Stockport Radio Society is having a talk by Bernard, G3SHF on baluns and how to build them. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 2 May Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk by Terry Sigsworth of British Waterways on Standedge Tunnel, Huddersfield Narrow Canal. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 2 May Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a drink and waffle at The Hooton Hotel. Contact Simon, G6XHF, on 0151 601 3269.

On Thursday 3 May Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the GB3HG repeater. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 3 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on modulation systems for the licence exams by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 4 May East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening.. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Sunday 6 May Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is running a Queen's Diamond Jubilee Club Field Day and using the Queen's Diamond Jubilee callsign. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 1 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 2 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is holding a group meeting. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 2 May Caithness Amateur Radio Society is having a visit by Rob Mannion from Practical Wireless at the Nethercliffe Hotel, Wick, from 19.30. Details from Bob Renshaw, MM0RJR, on 01847 831 643.

On Wednesday 2 May Glenrothes & District Radio Club is holding a social meeting. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 3 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 4 May Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week.

Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF on Monday 30 April from 20:30. The club AGM is on Tuesday 1 May, and there's a club net on GB3BF from 20.30 on Thursday 3 May. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running a club net from 19.30 on GB3NB on Monday 30 April. On Wednesday 2 May there is a talk on computers and amateur radio by Mark, G0LGJ. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday 1 and Saturday 5 May. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Tuesday 1 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the future of the RSGB by RSGB Acting General Manager Don Beattie, G3BJ. All local club members are invited. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 2 May Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 2 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for Mills on the Air week. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 2 May Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Thursday 3 May Cray Valley Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 3 May Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on air traffic control by Ross McDonald. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk. On Thursday 3 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G0KYA on HF propagation and software. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 3 May Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 3 May Vange ARS is holding a junk sale. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Thursday 3 May Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday 4 May Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a visit from Norman Crampton M0FZW, the RSGB Essex DRM. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 4 May Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on astronomy by Richie Jarvis. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 4 May Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on propagation modelling by Bob Bagwell, G4HZV. Details are on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Sunday 6 May Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society commences its Intermediate course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 30 April Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk by Tony Griggs, G4KMB, on Tristan de Kuna and St Helena. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Tuesday 1 May Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding a 2m net on 145.575MHz at 19.45 and on Thursday 3 May there's a 4m net on 70.425MHz at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Wednesday 2 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having the second part of the talk by Mike, M1DPB, on juke box restoration. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 2 May Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on what really happened at T32C by team member Tony Bettley, G4LDL. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 3 May Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a main club evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 3 May Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321., m0bhg@yahoo.co.uk

On Thursday 3 May South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a briefing for Mills on the Air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 3 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES On Tuesday 1 May Carmarthan Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Microwave Modules by GW4DGU. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

648. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 30 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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2012 Dekalb Hamfest - Sunday May 6, 8am-1pm

Posted: 27 Apr 2012 08:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344126-2012-Dekalb-Hamfest-Sunday-May-6-8am-1pm&goto=newpost

http://www.kish-club.org/Pdf/2012 Flier-Color.pdf

649. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 23 - 29 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
23 - 29 April 2012

Solar activity was moderate because one M1/1N flare occurred on 27
April at 0821Z. Region 1466 (N12, L=40, class/area=Dso/190) produced
this, six C-class x-ray flares, and 13 optical flares throughout the
week. The remainder of the flare activity was confined to C-class
events. Region 1465 (S18, L=55, class/area=Dki/400) the most
prolific and the most magnetically complex of the 14 regions on the
disk, exhibiting beta-gamma-delta characteristics on 24 and 27
April. The largest region was Region 1460 (N16, L=109,
class/area=Dkc/490) which reached its maximum coverage on 21 April.
Solar activity was not confined to flares, several CMEs were
observed during the period.

On 23 April, A C2/Sf flare was observed from Region 1461 (N10, L=75,
plage) at 1747Z, accompanied by a Type II radio burst (1605 km/s). A
Halo-CME was subsequently observed in SOHO/LASCO coronagraph imagery
at 1848Z (C2) and 1906Z (C3). Plane of sky measurements suggested a
speed in the 400 to 500 km/s range. The next day, a
non-earth-directed CME emerged from the east limb after a C3 flare
at 0745Z from Region 1467 (N12, L=331,class/area=Dso/50). A Type II
radio sweep (estimated shock velocity of 1029 km/s) announced the
departure of this CME. CME production continued onWednesday when
Region 1460 produced a C1 x-ray flare/CME at 25/2242Z and Region
1465 followed with a C1 x-ray flare/CME at 26/1723Z. Several
non-earth-directed CMEs were observed emerging from the SW limb on
26-27 April. They all originated from old Region 1462 (S25, L=139,
class/area=Dho/300) which rotated off the visible disk on the 24th.
A16 degree filament eruption was observed in SDO/AIA 304 imagery at
28/1045Z. During the eruption, the SE to NW oriented filament was
centered near S32W33. LASCO/C2 imagery captured a subsequent
slow-moving, non-earth-directed CME emerging from the SW limb at
28/1224Z. GONG H-alpha and SDO/AIA 304 imagery depicted a filament
eruption along a six degree long channel centered near N06E36, just
to the SE of Region 1467. This eruption occurred between 28/1800 -
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2000Z with several CMEs observed during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached high levels on 25 April and remained at mostly high levels through the rest of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels during the week. On 23/0200Z, data from the ACE spacecraft indicated the arrival of a CME from 19 April. Solar wind speed increased from 350 to 400 km/s and the total IMF approached 18 nT. The Boulder magnetometer recorded a 31 nT sudden impulse at 23/0325Z. Active to minor storm levels followed. IMF Bz at the ACE spacecraft lurked in the -10 to -15 nt range for 12 hours beginning around 23/16Z. By 24 April, activity reached major storm levles at mid latitudes during the 00-03Z period as effects from the CME were compounded by the arrival of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) around 0200Z. On the 25th, activity at high latitudes reached severe storm levels during the 06-09Z synoptic period. The high speed stream peaked near 777 km/s on the 25th around 19Z then began a steady decline. Geomagnetic field activity subsided to unsettled levels on 27 April and quiet levels on 28-29 April. Late on the 27th, a slight bump in the wind speed at ACE suggested the arrival of the remnants of the CME from 23 April, however the geomagnetic field response was muted.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 April - 26 May 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low with a chance for moderate events through the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levles 30 April, 11-14 May and 23-26 May.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet with the exception of active periods on 9-11 May and 20-23 May associated with recurrent coronal hole high speed streams.

650. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 30 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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EN39 on the air for June ARRL VHF Contest

Posted: 29 Apr 2012 08:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344354-EN39-on-the-air-for-June-ARRL-VHF-Contest&goto=newpost

I will be running the June ARRL VHF Contest (June 9-10) this year from EN39. I have operated there for several years, but it isn't too often I get to run the contest from up there. It should be a lot of fun again!

I am going to be up there for several days so if you don't catch me on during the contest there will be other opportunities.

6m is my target band. I am contemplating throwing up a beam on 2m also, but I don't know yet. I have a beam for 432 as well but I am not going to take it with me - its not worth the extra effort in set up.

Please pass along the information.

Steve, KC8QVO

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K7AUO 7QP Gilliam county Oregon operation.

Posted: 29 Apr 2012 04:36 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344341-K7AUO-7QP-Gilliam-county-Oregon-operation&goto=newpost

K7AUO www.terac.org will be operating from the abandoned Condon Air Force radar site in Gilliam county Oregon again this year. Operators will include Bob W7BKN, Chuck K7BVT, Phil W7PYX, and Joe AE7LD. We plan on operating on 10 through 80 meter with a 3 element tri-bander, dipole, and 40 meter vertical.

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Mountain Topping in Maine

Posted: 28 Apr 2012 07:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344241-Mountain-Topping-in-Maine&goto=newpost

The Wireless Society of Southern Maine is planning to activate Ossipee Hill, located in Waterboro, Maine for Summits on the Air (SOTA), this Sunday, April 29th, from 1200 UTC - 1800 UTC. The team will be using call

sign WS1SM, and will be on several HF bands as well as 2 meters. The SOTA identifier for Ossipee Hill is W1/AM-253 for anyone who is collecting points.

For more information, including specific frequencies, please visit: http://www.qsl.net/ws1sm

651. eHam.net News for Monday 30 April 2012

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Ham Radio Operators Set Up Booth to Remember April Tornados:

Posted: 29 Apr 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28187

HARVEST, AL (WAFF) - When power and communications were knocked out last April, local amateur HAM Radio operators stepped in to help. The Huntsville Amateur Radio club held a special event to commemorate the anniversary of the April tornados Saturday. They set up a portable station in Harvest that ran on a generator. In the aftermath of the storms, HAM Radio operators provided a go-between for emergency communications.

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Harvest, AL Special Event on Local News:

Posted: 28 Apr 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28186

Kaitlyn Cole KS3P, 12 years old and her dad Stan Cole NX3P were on Huntsville, AL local news for their special event for the one year anniversary of the April 27, 2011 tornadoes which hit Alabama.

652. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 30 April 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-01 01:45:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c73eda59304bee7f341@google.com>
Source record: 3169
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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RFinder for Apple iPhone/iPad/iPod has been released!!!

Posted: 29 Apr 2012 09:20 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344294-RFinder-for-Apple-iPhone-iPad-iPod-has-been-released!!!&goto=newpost

For immediate release...

4/29/2012

From the desk of W2CYK

After many requests from our users we are pleased to announce the official release the next platform release of RFinder - The World Wide Repeater Directory (WWRD). It is available for immediate download from the Apple App Store.

RFinder already runs on Android and http://web.rfinder.net. The World Wide Repeater Directory is also accessible from RTSystems radio programmers and via CHIRP on Windows, Linux and Macintosh with the same user/password you use on handheld devices. Our goal is to have the WWRD accessible from most pervasive platforms. To that end Windows Phone and Symbian versions are in development and slated for release this summer. The web version has been tested and works on Blackberry.

We plan to have a data file download for Garmin and TomTom GPS devices from RFinder/Web sometime Fall of 2012.

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RDetail.jpg
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RList.jpg
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ANS-120 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344285-ANS-120-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-120

ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor@amsat.org

Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould Smith, WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Check the AMSAT at Dayton web pages for the latest news and developments.

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

April 29, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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Reservations Required - 2012 AMSAT/TAPR Banquet at Dayton

The sixth annual joint AMSAT/TAPR Banquet will be held Friday evening, May 18, 2012 during the Dayton Hamvention.

The Banquet will be at the:

Kohler Presidental Banquet Center

4572 Presidential Way

Kettering, OH 45429

(just south of Dayton).

Reservations are required and must be made by Monday, 14 May 2012. Seating is limited, so make your reservations early. The price for the Banquet is $30 per person. Reserved tickets may be picked up at the AMSAT booth at Hamvention on Friday, or at the door. You may make reservations for the 2012 AMSAT/TAPR Banquet online in

the AMSAT Store.

AMSAT Presidents Club Gold members should let Martha know if they are planning to attend the banquet. For additional information contact Martha at the AMSAT office (martha@amsat.org).

Banquet Schedule

6:30 PM: Doors open and Cash bar is available with Beer, Wine, Liquor and soft drinks.7:15 PM: Buffet Dinner service begins. The Center has a justly deserved reputation for good food and service.8:15 PM: Presentation by Howard Long, G6LVB. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle, the 64 - 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver. This innovative USB device is the size of a thumbdrive and has an SMA antenna socket. Multiple SDR control and display software programs can be used with the FUNcube Dongle.

[ANS thanks Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

AMSAT-NA Board of Directors Nominations

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. A valid nomination requires either one current Member Society, or five current individual members in good standing, to nominate an AMSAT-NA member for the position.

Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK.

The three nominees receiving the highest number of votes will be seated as regular board members with two year terms. The two nominees receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternate directors for one year.

Written nominations, consisting of names, calls and individual signatures, should be mailed to: AMSAT-NA, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. They must be received no later than June 15th. No other action is required.

Nominations may also be made by electronic means including e-mail, FAX, or electronic image of a petition. Electronic petitions should be sent to MARTHA@AMSAT.ORG or faxed to 301-608-3410, and also must be received by June 15th. If using any electronic submission, there is a second, verifying step:

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WITHOUT THIS SECOND, WRITTEN VERIFICATION ARE NOT VALID UNDER THE EXISTING AMSAT-NA BYLAWS. A verifying traditional written petition MUST be received at the AMSAT-NA office at the above address within 7 days following the close of nominations.

[ANS Thanks AMSAT Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

AMSAT 2012 Symposium First Call for Papers

This is the first call for papers for the 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium to be held in Orlando, Florida on the weekend of October 26-28, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Orlando Airport Hotel.

Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community:

Papers for publication in the ProceedingsSymposium PresentationsPoster PresentationsEquipment and Operating Demonstrations

We request a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings.

Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv@amsat.org.

The Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet-Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

If you are interested in a Monday Trip (October 29) to the Kennedy Space Center please contact Martha via email: martha at amsat.org.

The trip will include a round trip bus from the hotel and entrance to the Space Center. The cost will be about $100. This is a wonderful experience for those that haven't been and for those that have been multiple times. We need to get an idea of how many will participate to select the correct bus.

[ANS thanks Dan Schultz, N8FGV for the above information]

Japan to Launch Student High-Voltage Satellite Horyu-2 in May 2012

HORYU-2, an amateur radio satellite built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT) in Japan will launch aboard a Japanese H-IIA rocket planned for May 17 at 1639-1642 UT.

This Cubesat includes several experiments:

300 volt power generation in LEOCOTS technology demonstration of surface potential measurementOrbital debris observationEarth photography

The satellite downlink will be 437.375 MHz using 1200bps FSK and CW.

300 volt power generation in LEO

Power generation in space in practice is limited to 160 volt generation with 120 volt transmission aboard the ISS due to electrostatic potential of the solar array with respect to its platform. High power generation will require heavier cables or increased loss due to resistances. Future high power generation in LEO will require 300-400 volts. The HORYU-2 mission, 300V power generation in space without any discharge, is the first space environment test of the new technology.

COTS technology demonstration of surface potential measurement

A contact surface potential meter developed by TREK, Inc. for terrestrial commercial application will be flown. This is a high impedance meter which will not affect the charge state of the object being tested. As HORYU-2 passes through the aurora zone, differential charges may develop between the insulator surface and the satellite chassis. The potential meter will measure the potential of the insulator that is the same material to be used for SCM. The two measurements are compared to validate against each other.

Orbital debris observation

This experiment will detect micro-debris impact on the surface of HORYU-2. The debris sensor consists of many conductive thin wires laid down in parallel in the area of 8×8 cm. Upon impact, some of the lines are cut and the resistance becomes infinite.

Earth photography

A small CMOS camera, developed by the University of Surrey, called the Surrey Camera Payload (SCAMP) will take pictures in JPEG format at 640 × 480 pixels. From 700km altitude, one pixel will correspond to 1.6 km.

More information is available on the web:

Horyu website in Google English: http://tinyurl.com/HoryuSatellite

http://www.uk.amsat.org/6638

http://www.uk.amsat.org/4279

[ANS thanks the Horyu-2 team and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Satellite Export Controls - Progress Report

Since the inception of The International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) in 1999, all US-built satellites have been subject to the US Munitions List, including amateur radio, education and university satellite projects. The Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC) under the Department of State (DoS) manages ITAR. ITAR has curtailed AMSAT's collaboration with foreign nationals on Amateur Radio Satellite projects, as well as with universities that have foreign students enrolled as any technical exchanges concerning satellite technology with non-US citizens brought the potential for Federal prosecution.

On November 1, 2011, Congressman Howard L. Berman (D-CA) introduced H.R. 3288: "Safeguarding United States Satellite Leadership and Security Act." In summary, this act would authorize the President to remove commercial satellites and related components from the UnitedStates Munitions List. However, while AMSAT was pleased to see this draft bill, there were concerns that "commercial satellites" could be interpreted as not including amateur radio and education satellites.

Consequently, earlier this year AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW appointed AMSAT NY Area Coordinator Peter Portanova, WB2OQQ as AMSAT's Congressional Liaison to establish relationships that would put AMSAT on the radar regarding H.R. 3288 to ensure that amateur radio and education satellites would be included in the final bill. Peter's appointment was based in part on his success in leading a delegation to meet with Congressman Peter King on H.R. 607 in 2011 that resulted in the amendment of that bill to protect the amateur and amateur satellite frequencies that were being considered for auction. Peter was clearly qualified to lead AMSAT's efforts to ensure that amateur radio and education satellites would be included in such a bill. Peter notes, "What we accomplished on 607 validates that 'grass roots' efforts can be successful". Over the past few months, AMSAT, under Peter's guidance has taken steps to meet with key personnel involved in the legislative process in Washington to make them aware of AMSAT, the importance of amateur radio satellites in the development of education outreach and potential for emergency communications. All of these meetings have been successful in building awareness of the need to have amateur radio satellites (as well as education satellites) removed from the US Munitions List and placed under the Department of Commerce Control List.

While H.R. 3288 has been referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, this initiative was being held up pending a joint report from the Department of Defense (DoD) and Department of State (DoS) required by Section 1248 of the FY2010 Defense Authorization Act wherein Congress directed DoD to assess whether national security

would be negatively impacted by moving satellites from the US Munitions List (USML) to the Commerce Control List (CCL). Clearly, the politicians were awaiting this report before deciding whether to support H.R. 3288.

On April 18, 2012 the long awaited "1248" report was released by DoD and DoS: "Risk Assessment of United States Space Export Control Policy," that addresses the risks associated with removing satellites and related components from the United States Munitions List (USML).

The report identifies several satellite types, and related items, that are not purely defense-related and should not be designated as defense articles on the USML or controlled under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR).

The Departments recommended that the following items are more appropriately designated as dual-use items on the Commerce Control List (CCL) and controlled under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR):

Satellites that do not contain technologies unique to military applications or critical for maintaining a military edge;Communications satellites (COMSATs) that do not contain classified components;Remote sensing satellites with performance parameters below certain thresholds; andSystems, subsystems, parts and components associated with those satellites.

From AMSAT's perspective, this is certainly good news for the satellite industry from both a commercial and amateur radio/education perspective. In particular, placement of amateur radio satellites under EAR would remove the most onerous impacts of ITAR, allowing for example, free exchange of technical information with foreign nationals, allowing collaboration on satellite projects. Actual export of hardware, however, would be controlled by the Department of Commerce. That said, it is too early to draw any conclusions as a 180-day review process has now begun. If the recommendations of the "1248 Report" are accepted, it could pave the way for H.R. 3288 or a bill drafted in response to the "1248 recommendations" to move forward. However, given the tendency of Congress to put off major decisions from May onward pending Fall elections, AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW believes that it is likely, based on the current Congress and other factors, very little will occur within the 112th Congress. In Barry's words, "We are pleased with our initiatives to this point; however these activities are still a work in progress." The AMSAT Board, along with AMSAT's Congressional Liaison, will stay focused on these activities and report to the membership as information becomes available.

The 44 page PDF copy is available on-line: "Department of Defense/Department of State Report to Congress Section 1248 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111 - 84): RISK ASSESSMENT OF UNITED STATES SPACE EXPORT CONTROL POLICY".

Bloomberg Business Week also posted an article on ITAR.

[ANS thanks AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW and AMSAT Congressional Liaison Peter Portanova, WB2OQQ for this report.]

New Proposal Cycle for ARISS-US Contacts

NASA Teaching From Space (TFS) office has announced a new proposal cycle for ARISS-US contacts. Proposals may be submitted in the time period between April 23 through July 2, 2012 for contacts that will be scheduled beginning in January 2013.

Informational sessions will be held to answer any questions concerning the proposal process. To attend a session or to have questions answered,

contact TFS at JSC-TFS-ARISS@mail.nasa.gov or call 281-244-1919. For more information, see the NASA TFS Web site.

If you represent an education organization, formal or informal, and you are located in the United States or its territories, you can submit a proposal.

If you are located outside of the U.S., you will need to contact the ARISS representative for your region:

Europe, Africa, and the Middle East: Francesco De Paolis, IK0WGF school.selection.manager@amsat.it.Russia: Valeriy Agabekov, N2WW/UA6HZ n2ww@arrl.net.Japan and all countries in Southeast Asia and Pacific Oceania: Keigo Komuro, JA1KAB iaru-r3@jarl.or.jp.Canada and all other countries: Maurice-André Vigneault, VE3VIG ve3vig@amsat.org.

[ANS thanks the NASA Teaching From Space Office for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

The ARISS International Team monthly teleconference was held on Tuesday, April 17. World Amateur Radio Day and the HamTV status were discussed. Minutes have been posted to the ARISS site.A video segment of the successful ARISS contact with Flabob Airport will be aired on the Bob Heil & Gordon West "Ham Nation" show on May 1, 2012 at 1800 PDT (UTC-7).ESA's mysteriously silent Envisat Earth observing satellite has been observed and imaged by another satellite in space. France's space agency (CNES) pulled off an on-orbit coup, using their high-resolution Pleiades satellite to take a picture of Envisat from about 100 km. See the satellite-to-satellite view on-line.For the last 1000 days the Infrared Array Camera (IRAC), aboard NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope, has been operating continuously to probe the universe from its most distant regions to our local solar neighborhood. To commemorate 1000 days of infrared wonders, the program is releasing a gallery of the 10 best IRAC images.In celebration of the 22nd anniversary of the NASA/ESA Hubble Space Telescope this month, episode 54 of the Hubblecast gives a slideshow of some of the best images from over two decades in orbit, set to special music.JD1/OG, OGASAWARA ISLAND, AS-031. Makoto,JI5RPT, is working from Chichijima Islands (IOTA AS-031) signing JD1BLY in CW/SSB/digital modes on 80-6m and via satellite also from April 29 until May 5. QSL via homecall. See: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1 and http://twitter.com/jd1bly. (via DXNL DX Newsletter 1777 - Apr 25, 2012)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a

maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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Free iPhone/Android APP Web Based

Posted: 28 Apr 2012 09:45 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344248-Free-iPhone-Android-APP-Web-Based&goto=newpost

Most folks on QRZ know about this app, but I thought I'd post this for those that take news feeds off of QRZ.COM. You can access it from any smart phone browser at http://mobile.ky5u.net . The text below describes the functionality of the programs associated with the app.

General

KY5U Mobile Assets (KMA) is a collection of HTML/HTML5/Javascript Apps designed to be used by Amateur Radio operators on smart phones. It consists of a home page/desktop of icons that may be clicked or touched (on smartphones) to initiate the individual apps. KMA is brand independent for phones/tablets so it may be used regardless of what kind of device you use.

KY5U Mobile Assets Desktop

Access

Access KMA via the World Wide Web at http://mobile.ky5u.net on your device. The main screen and sub-screens are small HTML files residing on a server. These HTML files run local applications or link to applications on the WWW that radio amateurs may find useful.

Apps

The following is a brief description of ther use and functionality of the included applications. Please refer figure 1 above for the type and labeling of icons used. Feel free to email your suggestions for additional applications to the address at the end of this document.

LOOKUP- Powered by Call Info Data, this application allows an amateur radio operator to look up a call sign of another amateur. Included is Name and Address, License Class, Expiration Date and GRID information.

WEBCAM- This application is a live webcam window for KY5U.

WEATHER- Powered by Weather Underground, this application displays a live radar image of the United States. This allows a radio amateur to see weather systems that may effect safe operation. It also includes Frotal Overlay, Rainfall, Wind, and Surface Temp. This will be your one stop view

of US weather!

STRIKES- Powered by Intellicast, displays a lightning strike map of the US for use in identifying noise propagation on 40 meters and below.

CONDX- Powered by N0NBH, is a dual display of atmospheric conditions and grey line propagation including flux numbers, flare information and band openings.

ZULU- Powered by DateandTime.com, displays the correct UTC/ZULU time, and offers a list of select cities for time and weather information.

TIMER- An application for use as a ham radio 10 minute ID timer. The timer starts when the page opens and displays an ☐alert box☐ every 10 minutes. The timer continues to run whether you acknowledge the alert box or not, thereby keeping the 10 minute interval. To stop the timer, exit the application. Powered by KY5U.

CLUSTER- Powered by K5DX, this application parses the K5DX telnet cluster data and builds an HTML file every 30 seconds. The application refreshes every 30 seconds to display the updated list formatted for the smartphone screen. The underlying collection and formatting software was written by KY5U, and attempts to strip out ☐crap☐ messages/comments sent by users. This application is ☐read only☐.

NOTES- Powered by WuFoo.com, this application presents a free text entry box where you may take notes or write contact information. It has a place to enter your email address also. Once completed with your notes, you may press the button ☐Email Notes to Yourself☐ which will email your notes to you.

MANUAL- This application allows you to download and read the manuals for the most recent ICOM, Yaesu, an Kenwood amateur Radios. Select the vendor, and you will be presented with the available models. Selecting the rig model will download the PDF manual. The last link on all vendor pages is the vendor's icon, which takes you directly to their web page associated with downloading manuals. This is useful for radio models not listed in the application.

COMPASS- This application allows you to generate a bearing chart of beam headings right on your smartphone to all the DXCC entities by simply entering your zip code. This is powered by The North Jersey DX Association and a link to their website is provided for full functionlity. They have interesting articles and info for DXers.

FIRST AID- This application provides basic first aid information (powered by the Mayo Clinic) to serve as a stop gap measure until help arises. Remember to dial "911" before using this application to activate the 911 System!!

DIPOLE- This application allows you to calculate the length of a dipole. You can calculate each side, the overall length, and based on the wavelength desired. It also allows an offset for end feeding.

NEWS- The latest news headlines from around the world updated 4 times a day. Stay "in the know" about things happening in your hobby as well as breaking news stories and links to full articles.

COAX LOSS- This application is a table of coaxial loss at different frequencies above 30mHz. Loss below 30mHz is negligible in RG-8 and bove cable at or under 200 feet.

ONLINE CALCULATOR- This application is a simple online scientific calculator. If you need one it's here to use. It is written in Javascript and handles basic scientific math functions.

HURRICANE- Track the latest hurricane positions from BOATUS.COM in a single click. Clicking on the map title or the map takes you to the latest teacked storm on www.boatus.com .

Antenna Cable Calc- This is a java aplet to figure loss impedence on a cable. Please note that you must have java aplets turned on in your browser. If you don't you'll only see a picture of the dashboard associated with the page.

Virtual Tuner- Excellent virtual tuner aplet by W9CF that allows you to set or learn the valuse of L/C components needed for a pi network. You need java aplets turned on to use this or you will only see a picture of the dashboard associated swith this app.

IARU Beacons- Powered by KY5U. You can buy hardware, you can buy software, but this world map brings the IARU Beacons to your smartphone. The beacon designator lights up during that beacon's period to transmit. For more info, Google IARU Beacons.

Eliza The Therapist- In the late 70's, one of the first AI programs for the TRS80 and Apple PCs was 'Eliza' which featured a so called computer therapist. The program has been re-written in javascript and modified by KY5U to include ham radio topics.

Tone Generator- Powered by KY5U. This is an audio player for playing tones. You may select a 440Hz, 1000Hz, 2300Hz, or Two Tone Generator. In iOS and Android, touch the play button to start. The files are hyperlinked in case you want to download or your browser does not support HTML5.

Finally

As other applications are developed, they will be added to the desktop and to this document. Comments are welcomed at ky5u(at)bellsouth.net.

KY5U Mobile Assets is a FREE application over the WWW for ham radio operators. All pages are copyrighted by KY5U, Charlie Young, and may not be copied or used in whole or in part without permission. Many of the pages are under copyright protection of other organizations.

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Dayton Hamvention TAPR Digital Forum Schedule, Friday, May 18, 9:15 am - 11:15 am

Posted: 27 Apr 2012 09:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344050-Dayton-Hamvention-TAPR-Digital-Forum-Schedule-Friday-May-18-9-15-am-11-15-am&goto=newpost

www.tapr.org/dayton.html#forum

Dayton Hamvention TAPR Digital Forum Schedule

When: Fri, May 18, 9:15 am ☐ 11:15 am

Where: Room 1

9:15 am

Introduction and TAPR Update

Steve Bible, N7HPR

9:25 am

Beyond open HPSDR: Hermes and the Future

Scotty Cowling, WA2DFI

9:50 am

Embedded DSP for PC-less SD

Lyle Johnson, KK7P

10:15 am

Time and Frequency Update

John Ackermann, N8UR

10:45 am

CODEC2

David Rowe, VK5DGR

Attached Images

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1811 April 27 2012

Posted: 26 Apr 2012 07:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?343991-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1811--April-27-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1811 ☐ April 27 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1811 with a release date of April
27th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Japan says it will be launching 16 educational ham-sats; NASA says now is time for educators to request I-S-S contacts for 2013; UK hams learn of ham band restrictions during the 2012 Olympics; US hams will not be affected by Part 90 narrow-banding and a new video on VHF and UHF digital audio is on-line. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline□ report number 1811 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: JAPAN TO LAUNCH 16 NEW EDUCATIONAL HAM-SATS

Japan says that it plans to launch sixteen educational satellites over the next two years. The tiny birds are currently under construction in Japan with the first launch to take place on May 17th followed by the others in as rapid succession as possible. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

653. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

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Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

654. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 1 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Chelmsford IMD in the press

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Almost 500 people went to the International Marconi Day celebrations at
Sandford Mill and saw amateur radio demonstrated by the Chelmsford Amateur
Radio Society (CARS) running GB100MWT

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Experimenter's Special SDR Receiver

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Cross Country Wireless have just launched a new version of their crystal
controlled SDR receiver

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160m portable operation from Essex

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3-g4xf3E9eE/160m_portable_operation_from_essex.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Havering and District Amateur Radio Club members have released a video of
their 160m portable operation near Brentwood in Essex

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G0EWN Mountain Goat

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fBtCIo7jt8U/g0ewn_mountain_goat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A Lake District summit - Tarn Crags G/LD-026 - was the scene for Sheffield
radio amateur Gordon Fiander G0EWN to gain his SOTA 'Mountain Goat' status

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ARISS contact on IRLP and Echolink

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pGjHEyp2vIA/ariss_audio_event_0405.htm?

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Please join us in listening to an International Space Station school
contact with participants at The Mariners Museum, Newport News, Virginia,
USA on Wednesday, 2 May

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Dutch Mills on the Air

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The 12th and 13th of May is the Mills on the Air weekend once again, and
this year, there will be at least 17 Windmills and 1 Waterpumping Station
active in the Netherlands

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Dutch Mills on the Air PC25HR

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZDckFMJGGS8/mills_on_the_air_pc25hr.htm
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On May 12, 2012, Frans PC2F will air the special amateur radio callsign
PC25HR during the national windmill and pumping station day

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4S7 QSL Cards

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nVSdb31qL4c/4s7_qsl_cards.htm?utm_sourc
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If you're one of the thousands of hams who have been hoping to receive a
QSL card from GM6TVR/4S, now you can

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Ecuadorian CubeSat will monitor near-earth objects

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itor_near_earth_objects.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ecuador's first satellite NEE-01 Pegasus is slated to launch this October
from Yasny on the same DNEPR rocket as the AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1

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Wellington Radio ZLW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/o2AeyJsLOLo/wellington_radio_zlw.htm?ut
m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wellington Radio ZLW closed in 1993 after operating from Tinakori Hill (now
renamed 'Ahumairangi'), for about eighty years. Now a group of former ZLW

operators are planning a commemoration event

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Bulgarian Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W7cpwcawzhg/bulgarian_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for special event callsign LZ67VZ to be active during the
Memorial 'Pobeda 67' (from 0800z, May 5th, through 1400z, May 9th).
Activity is devoted to the World War II hero and Bulgarian General Vladimir
Zaimov

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French radio ham gets Thai licence

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lEpoQz2A-fY/french_radio_ham_gets_thai_licence.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For the first time, a French operator has received a Thai license. Alain,
F6HBR, (ex-FO8FW and FR5EM) is now HS0ZKG

655. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 1 May 2012

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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Special Event : USS WILLIAMSBURG back "ON AIR" !

Posted: 01 May 2012 07:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344506-Special-Event-USS-WILLIAMSBURG-back-quot-ON-AIR-quot-!&goto=newpost

A. R. I.

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A.R.I. Fidenza RADIO CLUB - IQ4FE

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http://www.arifidenza.it

NJ2BB ☐Museum Ships Weekend Event☐ 2012

☐USS Williamsburg☐ will participate from Italy

with special Amateur Radio call ☐ 2 and 3 June 2012

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A.R.I. Fidenza Radio Club (A.R.I. affiliated , Italian Association of
Radio Amateurs) of Fidenza (PR), Italy (JN54BU), will realize a technical
and cultural event in the locality of La Spezia, Italy, JN44WC, in the
days of 2 and 3 June 2012.

The event is intended to highlight internationally the historical value of
the United States Presidential yacht "USS Williamsburg" which was used by
Presidents Truman and Eisenhower and currently stationed in appalling
conditions at a shipyard in La Spezia , Italy . The historical Events the
Ship witnessed and the fact that now it threatens the demolition led us to
plan an event to raise awareness about its dramatic, undeserved situation.

For this reason, in conjunction with the international contest "Museum
Ships Weekend Event", the operators of ARI Fidenza Radio Club make
operating a radio station nearby the Vessel to bring ideally "his voice"
throughout

all the world.

This will be a special, unique event : in fact, the participation to the Museum Ships Weekend Event

is granted only for 2012 edition.

A special QSL Card will be made for Qso with the special callsign (to be advised as soon as possible).

The contest "Museum Ships Weekend Event ' is an international competition organized by the ☐ Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station NJ2BB ", ARRL affiliated . The event occurs every year and aims to enable worldwide radio stations on board or nearby naval military museum units (or units in state of pending musealization: in this case a special dispensation is granted, as in our case).

The particularity of the contest is therefore that, in addition to the purely competition related to the contest itself, the boats are ideally "revived", even only for a weekend, and it is so stressed the value of their

human and technological history .

A great event that will combine the technical-amateur activity with the wider "historical-cultural" aspect, in perfect harmony with the "Amateur Radio Mission" which is essentially an educational and research activity aimed to bringing this brotherhood to peoples and nations beyond the barriers of languages, races, religions.

For more information and contacts you can refer to our website : http://www.arifidenza.it

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656. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 1 May 2012

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"Almost 500 people went to the International Marconi Day celebrations at Sandford Mill and saw amateur radio demonstrated by the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) running GB100MWT"

That should put off anyone remotely interested then!

657. [DXNL] DXNL 1778 (May 2, 2012)

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DXNL 1778 - May 2, 2012
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5X, UGANDA
Freddy,F5IRO, is expected to return to Uganda in early May. The exact
date is not known yet. With the help of David,5X1D (KH9AE), he hopes to
get his licence during the first week. He plans to become QRV in CW on
the highbands and on 30m in the evening, some PSK may be possible also.
QSL via F8DFP. See: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

7O, YEMEN, AS-028
After 2 years of preparation and the support of four ministries 11 OPs
plan to become active as 7O6T from Hadiboh on Socotra Island (AS-028)
from Apr 30, 2100 UTC, until May 15, 2100 UTC. They will use five
Elecraft K3 and Kenwood TS-590 in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m on
following frequencies:
CW: 1824, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894, 28024 kHz
SSB: 1845, 3780, 7065/7180, 14145, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28495 kHz
RTTY: 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920, 28080 kHz. QSL via UA3DX
See also: http://www.yemen2012.com and https://twitter.com/#!/7o6t

9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
In DXNL 1769 we informed about the successful exam of Jan 27.
Here are the new callsigns:
9Q1AD Diluzeyi Angelique
9Q1AK Kitete Agnes
9Q1ALA Akongunuka Annie
9Q1BT Tshiela Brigite
9Q1CM Makiamfu Jean Claude
9Q1DN Ngelebeya Dieudonne
9Q1FS Sua Francoise
9Q1HM Mbenga Hermes
9Q1HN Ngilima Henry
9Q1JI Ifaso Jean Maurice
9Q1JL Lukusa Jean Willy

9Q1KM Mpinda Khal
9Q1LE Enyeka Lazare
9Q1LJ Lihau Jeanine
9Q1MM Mbuyi Marie Louise
9Q1MP Mangala Jean Pierre
9Q1NH Nsele Hortense
9Q1NW Watuala Webe Nicole
9Q1PM Pascal Mbuyi
9Q1RE Ekaya Robert
9Q1RM Muamba Richard
9Q1WM Mulumba Wamans
9Q1YM Muaka Ngimbi Yvette
ON4CFC receives the call 9Q1CFC and 9Q0AR will become active also soon.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE
Daniel,ZS6JR (C91JR), and Dior,ZS6DJD, will be active for 7 to 10 days
starting on May 3 or 4 from the small lake Shai Shai about 400 km north
of the capital Maputo using verticals on 40m-10m (maybe also 80m or 6m)
and a Hexbeam. Dior's callsign could be C91JD or C91DJ or C91DN.
Preferred frequencies are on 20m: 14210, 14200, 14195, 14190 kHz;
15m: 21280, 21275, 21270, 21265, 21250 kHz; 10m: 28450, 28470,28500 kHz
More details are not known.
QSL for C91JR only direct via GI4FUM, QSL for Dior via homecall.

DL, GERMANY
Some HAMs from the region Cologne/Bonn will activate the special event
station DL125HHZ (special DOK HHZ125) during the special exhibition
"Heinrich Hertz - From arcing to the radio wave" in the German Museum
in Bonn from Apr 26 until Jan 13, 2013.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS, AF-004
Some members of the "Gran Canaria DX Group" and the local URE club will
sign EG8WFF from the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in SSB, CW and RTTY on
all bands on May 5/6. QSL via EA8AKN.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
From May 5 until June 10 British HAMs may use a special prefix to
celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The second letter of the prefix
will be replaced by a Q, calls with a single letter prefix add a Q:
2E0aaa will be 2Q0aaa
2M0aaa will be 2Q0aaa
G3aaa will be GQ3aaa
GM3aaa will be GQ3aaa
GX3aaa will be GQ3aaa
M3aaa will be MQ3aaa

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN
The "Tera Radio Club" (HB9OK) celebrates the 100th anniversary of the
railroad "Lugano-Ponte Tresa" between May 7 and Jun 9 by using the
special callsign HB100FLP in all modes on all bands. A special award
will be issued as well. QSL via HB9OCR. See also: http://www.hb9ok.ch
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Nicola,HB0/IN3ADW, and Luca,HB0/IN3HUU, will be QRV in SSB and some
RTTY on 40m-10m (depending on the conds) from May 8-12. Listen for them
on: 7110-7130, 18125-18135, 14215-14225, 24945-24955 kHz.
QSLs via homecalls.

HS, THAILAND
After seven years of negotiations France and Thailand issue reciprocal
licenses now. Alain,F6HBR (ex FO8FW/FR5EM), is HS0ZKG since Apr 25. He
is working mainly in CW and some PSK and RTTY from Koh Samui (AS-101).
Gerald,F8DEG, is also living in Thailand and will be the second French
HAM with a HS0Zxx callsign.

KH0, NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
In the last DXNL we announced the QSL route of W2GJ/KH0 via homecall.
His homecall is JL1FUQ.

KP4, PUERTO RICO, NA-099
A few members of the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League (PRARL) will
activate five islands as KP4ES on all bands (IOTA QRGs) on May 5:
Isla Palominitos (USi PR010, Fajardo county)
Cayo Icacos (USi PR008, Fajardo county)
Cayo Ratones (USi PR028, Fajardo county)
Isla Pineros (USi PR042, Ceiba county)
Cabeza de Perro (USi PR014, Ceiba county)
QSL via NP3O. See also: http://prarl.org

LZ, BULGARIA
Alex,LZ1ADF, Boyan,LZ1BJ, Valyo,LZ1DOT, Ned,LZ1DX, Slav,LZ1MC,
Gosho,LZ1ZF, Boris,LZ2JR, Krasi,LZ2UW, and Emil,LZ3HI, will use the
special callsign LZ67VZ via EME on 432.144 MHz, 2320.144 MHz and
2304.144 MHz from May 5, 0800 UTC, until May 9, 1400 UTC. LZ67VZ is
working also in digital modes on DMC# 5525 DMC and EPC# 18090 EPC.
Skeds can be arranged via e-mail to: lz1dx@lz1dx.org
The callsign is to remember General Vladimir Zaimov. QSL via bureau.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Anja,PJ2/DH2AK, and Torsten,PJ2/DL1THM, will be active in holiday style
from the PJ2A clubstation mainly in SSB on 15m-20m from May 5-18.
QSL via bureau to their homecalls, for direct QSL routes check QRZ.com.
See also: http://twitter.com/#!/dl1thm

UA1, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
The special event station R1945HS active during May remembers the end
of WW2 67 years ago. QSL via RW6HS, unfortunately only direct.

UR, UKRAINE
A few members of the Crimean Radio Club are also celebrating the end of
WW2 by using the special call EM67J from May 1-15.
QSL via K2PF, unfortunately only direct, later also via LoTW.

The special event station EM80L marks the 80th annivesary of the region
Kharkov until Aug 26. They will activate all 42 districts. A special

award will be issued as well, for further details see QRZ.com.
QSL via US0LW.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Seppo,OH1VR/VP9, and Egbert,OH1ZAA/VP9, will be QRV in CW and SSB on HF and 6m from May 7-13. QSLs via homecalls, OH1VR/VP9 only direct.

W, USA
26 special 1x1 calls will be activated during the 20th anniversary of the "CTRI Contest Group" from Connecticut (K1C, K1Q, K1R, K1T, N1M, N1Q, W1A), Rhode Island (K1B, K1D, K1G, K1J, K1K, K1L, K1O, K1U, K1W, N1H, N1R, W1M, W1R, W1W, W1Y), Massachusetts (K1N, K1V, W1B) and Vermont (K1M) from May 1-15. QSL via NG1G.

The special event station K1A is working from the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center in Concord/New Hampshire (KA1SKY) from May 1-15 to mark the 51st jubilee of the first American in space. QSL via KK1KW.
See also: http://www.k1bke.org/planetarium/ka1sky.htm and http://www.starhop.com

XE, MEXICO
The special event station 6J5M will be QRV during the "Cinco de Mayo" festivities celebrating the 150th anniversary of the battle of Puebla from May 1-6. QSL via XE1AMF. See also: http://150.puebladx.org

XZ, MYANMAR
Simon, HS0ZIB, is working as a volunteer teacher (English, Thai, computers) in primary schools alternately in Thailand and Myanmar for one week each. He has now received a license as XZ1K. This will not be Big Gun station. In the beginning he will work only in SSB on 10m or in on 20m and maybe also 40m in SSB and PSK. He has no radio for 6m and hast to build wire antennas for the lowbands. Expect CW a little later when he has more practice. Since this is not a DXpedition and he wants to stay as long as possible there is no need for hurrying.
Bureau QSLs can be requested via OQRS and a donation of 5$. The log will be uploaded also to the LoTW and eQSL.
See also: http://www.xz1k.org and http://www.myanmarteachers.org

ZB, GIBRALTAR
The two brothers Mike,ZB3M, and Ed,ZB2ER, are using the special calls ZQ3M and ZQ2ER to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee between May 5 and Jun 10. QSLs via ZB3M, unfortunately only direct.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND, AF-021
Rory Meyer,ZS6RGV, is the new radio operator on the Marion Island base but expect him to be very busy with his job during the first weeks. His equipment includes aN IC-736 and FL-7000. ZS1HF (ex ZS8M) is going to help him with applying for a ZS8 call and will be his QSL manager.

DXPEDITION OF THE YEAR
The ST0R team was awarded the "DXpedition of the Year" at the DX Convention in Visalia.

V55V video
Suad,DK6XZ, uploaded a slide show of the V55V DXpedition to YouTube:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v_Bic19ko4

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 5/6 ARI International DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-138, BY5, Fujian Province group: A team led by Dale,BA4TB, will activate
Gulangyu Island (South China, coast of Xiamen) as BY1WXD/5 in all modes
on all bands from May 4-7. QSL via BA4TB (bureau/direct/LoTW).

EU-028, I*5, Toscana Region group: Fabio,IW1DFU/IA5, is working in holiday
style from Elba Island until May 6. Listen for him mainly during the
afternoon and the night running a K2 with 15 watts (mostly in CW).
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-042, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: Siggi,DL3HBZ,
Lothar,DL8HAL, Helge,DF6LPC, Uli,DJ9IE, and Benjamin,DB2LS, will be
QRV from Hallig Hooge/Ockenswarft in the national park and Biosphere
reserve Schleswig-Holstein Wadden Sea (DLFF-013). Listen for DL0DFF
and DK0RZ (in PSK) on all HF bands from May 2-5. QSL via bureau.
Direct QSLs for DL0DFF via DL3HBZ and for DK0RZ via DL5HAQ.

EU-146, PA, Zuid Holland/Zeeland Province group: PI4WBR is working in SSB
on the IOTA frequencies on 80m-10m from Schouwen-Duiveland (WLOTA 3089)
until May 6. QSL via PA3FTX (bureau/direct).

NA-143, W5, Texas State East group: Joe,K5KUA/5, will be QRV again only in
CW from Galveston Island from May 4-7. QSL via homecall.

Lighthouse activities

W2AZ/KH2 LH 0064 May 5-6

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Unknown 3B8MM 1777
Unknown 3W7W 1768
-07May 3Z45HBW 1772
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772/1777
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
29Apr-04May 5P5Y 1777

21Mar 5T0JL 1772
Unknown 5X? 1778 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
01May-06May 6J5M 1778 *
Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
30Apr-15May 7O6T 1778 *
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
Unknown 9H3XX 1777
-22May 9Q0HQ/7 1777
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
23Apr-03May BD4KYA/4 1777
23Apr-03May BD4KRB/4 1777
23Apr-03May BG4KLA/4 1777
04May-07May BY1WXD/5 1778 *
26Apr-6May C6AGW 1777
-10May C91JR.. 1777/1778 *
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Apr -Jun CY0/VE1AWW 1774
-08Jul D2QV 1750
02May-04May DK0RZ 1778 *
02May-04May DL0DFF 1778 *
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-Jan/13 DL125HHZ 1778 *
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763

-31Dec E720RS 1770
05May-06May EG8WFF 1778 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
01May-30Jun EM350S 1777
01May-15May EM67J 1778 *
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul FR8NE 1710
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771
06Apr-26Apr GB100MGY 1774
28Apr-08May GB4WSF 1777
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762

05May-10Jun GQ3aaa.. 1778 *
28Apr-05May GS3PYE/p 1777

25Apr-05May HB0/DL2SBY.. 1777
08mai-12May HB0/IN3ADW.. 1778 *
07May-09Jun HB100FLP 1778 *
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
-12May HH8/EA3OW 1775
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
02Feb-06May HR5/F2JD 1764
Resident HS0ZKG 1778 *
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
30Apr-06May IW1DFU/IA5 1778 *
21Apr IY0GA 1776
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
26Apr-07May JA5DUR/JS6 1777
29Apr-05May JD1BLC.. 1777
22Apr-04May JD1BMH 1760/1776
29Apr-05May JD1BLY 1777
29Apr-05May JI1LET/JD1 1777
26Apr-07May JS6RRR 1777
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773

01May-15May K1C.. 1778 *
01May-15May K1A 1778 *
04May-07May K5KUA/5 1778 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May/12 KH4/W5FJG 1728
22Apr-04May KP4/VA3QSL 1776
05May KP4ES 1778 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
05May-09May LZ67VZ 1778 *
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
07May-13May OH1VR/VP9.. 1778 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
14Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
29Apr-05May OZ/OO4O 1777

05May-18May PJ2/DH2AK.. 1778 *
27Apr-06May PI4WBR 1778 *
May R1945HS 1778 *
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
-31Dec S555E.. 1772

-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
30Apr-04May T88RF 1777
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
07Apr-08May TM95BA 1774
-Jul TN9SN 1755

30Apr-04May V63AZ 1777
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
01May-30May VC2CBS30 1777
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
05May-06May W2AZ/KH2 1777
29Apr-03May W2GJ/KH0 1777/1778 *
28Apr-12May W2H 1777
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-12Jun XV2W 1774
Unknown XW3DT 1766/1771
Long term XZ1K 1778 *
21Apr-05May YJ0VK 1776
05May-10Jun ZQ3M.. 1778 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

3Z2X via SP2YWL (L), (d)
4K9SONG via DL6KVA (B)
4S7BRG via LZ3HI (B)
5F7SIA via G5XW (B)
5X? via F8DFP (B)
6J5M via XE1AMF (B)
7O6T via UA3DX
9A203XM/p via 9A3XM
9H3XX via DJ2EH (B)
AA1BV via JT1BV (L), (d)
BY1WXD/5 via BA4TB (B), (L)
C6AGW via I2VGW (B)
DL0DFF via (B), DL3HBZ (d)
DK0RZ via (B), DL5HAQ (d)
IW1DFU/IA5 via IW1DFU (B)
K5KUA/5 via K5KUA (B,) (L)
EG7ODN via EA7RCM (B)
EG7SCD via EA7IZI (B)
EK97GM via EK bureau
EM0IFF via UX2IF
EG8WF via EA8AKN (B)

EK97GB via EK bureau
EK97GM via EK bureau
EK97H via EK bureau
EK97KE via EK bureau
EK97LP via EK bureau
EK97OLA via EK bureau
EK97SI via EK bureau
EK97TA via EK bureau
EM67J via K2PF (d), (L)
EM80L via US0LW (B)
EM80L/a via US0LW (B)
EM80L/p via US0LW (B)
EY8MM via K1BV (B)
F/W0ND/p via W0ND (B)
HB0/DL2SBY via DL2SBY (B)
HB0/IN3ADW via IN3ADW
HB0/IN3HUU via IN3HUU
HB100FLP via HB9OCR (B)
HS0ZKG via (B)
K1A via KK1KW (B)
K1B via NG1G
K1C via NG1G
K1D via NG1G
K1G via NG1G
K1J via NG1G
K1K via NG1G
K1L via NG1G
K1M via NG1G
K1N via NG1G
K1O via NG1G
K1Q via NG1G
K1R via NG1G
K1T via NG1G
K1U via NG1G
K1V via NG1G
K1W via NG1G
KA9FOX via W9RPM (B), (L)
KH7XS/W4 via K4XS (d)
KP4ES via NP3O
LZ40YG via LZ1YG
LZ67VZ via (B), (L)
MQ0MDR via M0MDR
N1H via NG1G
N1M via NG1G
N1Q via NG1G
N1R via NG1G
OH1VR/VP9 via OH1VR (d)
OH1ZAA/VP9 via OH1ZAA
PJ2/DH2AK via DH2AK (B)
PJ2/DL1THM via DL1THM (B)

PI4WBR via PA3FTX (B)
R1945HS via RW6HS (d)
TC23NSN via YM3KT (d)
TF3/DF8AN/p via DF8AN (B)
TM1F via IK2DUW (B)
V63QFL via JH3QFL (B)
W1A via NG1G
W1B via NG1G
W1M via NG1G
W1R via NG1G
W1W via NG1G
W1Y via NG1G
W2GJ/KH0 via JL1FUQ (B) (*)
XZ1K via (B) OQRS, (L), eQSL
YM2XBU via TA3ASX (d)
YT16IARU via YU1EA (B)
ZQ3M via ZB3M (d)
ZQ2ER via ZB3M (d)
ZW5B via K3IRV (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSL via G3TEV:
The postage rates in Great Britain have been increased. Starting on
May 1st you need to enclose $2 or 1 IRC for direct QSLs from the United
Kingdom. Mike,G3TEV, is the QSL manager of 9J2BO.

QSLs arrived direct: E51M (GDXF), TX3T & TX7M (RZ3EC)

QSLs arrived bureau: 4W6A (M0URX), 5R8IC, A61AS, 6W/DL2AWG, 6W/HA0NAR,
7Z1HB (DE1HB), 8P9XC (DF1XC), 9L5MS (PA3AWW),
9Y4W (DL4MDO), A45WD (YO9HP), A65BR (UA9AB),
BV100ROC (BM2JCC), D44TZN (DL1DAW), FJ/SM5ENX,
FR5DZ (F6CXV), J28RO (F8DFP), J5NAR (HA0NAR),
OX2A (OZ1ACB), PJ2/DM3HZN, PJ4B (PA3GVI),
R1ANP (RW1AI), RI1ANC (RN1ON), TJ3AY (F5LGE),
TM1G (F6CNM), V5/DK2WH, VU2XO, XV2FPS (OK1FPS),
XV4YY (DH7WW), ZA/LZ1UQ, ZL8X (DJ2MX), ZS2I

QSLs arrived LoTW: ZX2B

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HB9OCR, M0MDR, NG3K, VA3RJ and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

658. eHam.net News for Tuesday 1 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-01 22:47:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303640ad3a54ed04bf015925@google.com>
Source record: 3175
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Kites Fly On Cold Day In Wellsburg:

Posted: 30 Apr 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28189

WELLSBURG - Vanessa Clark and her grandson Christopher Sommerville got the chance to experience something together for the first time on Saturday - flying a kite. Both Bellaire residents, Clark and her grandson were among the dozens of people who traveled to Brooke Hills Park, Wellsburg, to fly kites during the seventh annual West Virginia Kite Festival. Organizer Libby Strong said at one point there were about 70 people flying kites, making for a spectacular display in the sky. This year the event also featured ham, or amateur, radio operators who used their equipment to speak to other operators in Florida, Arizona and even Switzerland.

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VHF Dinner at the Dayton Hamvention:

Posted: 30 Apr 2012 04:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28188

I would like to invite all Weak Signal VHF, UHF and Microwave enthusiasts to the 17th VHF Weak Signal Group banquet to be held on Friday evening May 18th, 2012 at the Dayton Grand Hotel (Formerly the Doubletree Dayton Downtown Hotel) at 11 South Ludlow Street, Dayton, OH 45402.

659. HOT LATEST UPDATED VIDEOS AND SEXY ACTRESES PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-02 08:21:11 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <39ae4eca-739c-4e73-8f85-5508a31ec08d@f17g2000yqj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3176

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

660. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 2 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-02 11:05:55 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba614faa7d34b004bf0bab17@google.com>
Source record: 3177
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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New frequencies for AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sB4CBacSrpE/new_frequencies_for_amsat_uk_funcube1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

New frequencies have been announced for the AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1 satellite due to launch on a DNEPR rocket from Yasny later this year. This launch could carry around 10 amateur radio satellites including FUNcube-1 into space

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Special Event Stations for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-HUIZJNBpzI/london_2012_olympic_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Some special event call-signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games: 2O12L (Two Oscar One Two Lima) from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales

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2E0BTR Mountain Goat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aUiQZFiopnk/2e0btr_mountain_goat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Geoff Passey 2E0BTR, from Kidderminster, has achieved the coveted SOTA Mountain Goat status. This is awarded to those that attain 1000 points in the activator section of the Summits on the Air awards programme

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Bus trip to SEA-PAC

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m_-c1pwRi0g/bus_trip_to_sea_pac.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Surrey Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring a bus trip from Surrey, BC to this year's Sea-Pac HamFest in Seaside, Oregon. This year marks the 30th Annual Sea-Pac convention, which is the largest ham event in the Pacific Northwest

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UK Amateur Radio Exam Committee Report 2011

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/by5BWCPfDMc/uk_amateur_radio_exam_committee_report_2011.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Communications Examination (RCE) Committee Report for 2011 is now
available on the web. The RCE report covers Advanced exams for 2011

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/06ZzTTd_BQo/may_02.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Myanmar operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lF4nX9xPYbM/myanmar.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Simon, HS0ZIB, is working as a volunteer teacher (English, Thai, computers)
in primary schools alternately in Thailand and Myanmar for one week each

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Teens tune in to joys of 'ham' radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ot8lieKOuGw/teens_tune_in_to_joys_of_ham_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Jarrow and Hebburn Gazette reports on the success of teenagers at the
new North East Amateur Radio Society which was formed just five months ago

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Special UK callsigns for Queen's Diamond Jubilee

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3dmLYRumr8Y/special_uk_callsigns_for_queens_diamond_jubilee.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

From May 5 until June 10, British amateur radio operators may use a special
prefix to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee

661. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 2 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-02 16:43:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a129f5451d04bf10636f@google.com>
Source record: 3178
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Celebrating the War of 1812

Posted: 02 May 2012 08:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344635-Celebrating-the-War-of-1812&goto=newpost

The Baltimore Amateur Radio Club Presents

Opening Special Event for the War of 1812

June 16 2pm - 9pm

June 17 3pm -9pmChair: Henry Katz KB3NYW

QSL Manager: Neil Gustafson - W3ZQI

Control Ops for Event:

Bill Dobson N3WD

Keon Hayes KE3HAY

This event is in preparation for the 2014 celebration we are planning for
the Battle of Baltimore. We are starting off by celebrating the
Bi-Centennial of the WAR of 1812 The Blue Angels will be flying over the
Baltimore Harbor and the Tall Ships have started to come into ports here.
We will run as many bands as we safely can depending on the conditions. As
you work us we will announce if we are on 10M, 6M, & 2M. Hope to work you
on the air. We will focus on 15M 21.360, 20M 14.285, 40M 7.181, and 75M
3.850 (+/- 20Hz).

For the most up to date information please visit our website -
www.w3ft67.com

662. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-02 19:43:29 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201205021943.q42JhBtU032759@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3179
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 18 2012
2012-05-02 at 20:00 UTC

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-05-02
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Sporadic E season 2012 **

Based on data from recent years it is possible to expect the first
Sporadic E on 144 MHz in 3 weeks. Due to the fact that several
countries got acces to 70 MHz in the last months, we have another
detection tool for Sporadic E on 144 MHz.

In fact, last week we have seen Sporadic E on 50 MHz and also
on 70 MHz already.

As in earlier years, MMMonVHF will only report QSO's on 144 MHz,
no 50 MHZ, no 70 MHz, no BC broadcast.

To report QSO's you can use the form that is available in the ES-
section by ticking the SEND YOUR REPORT button. Users of VQ-log
can use a small app that is able to send daily ES QSO data from
your VQlog database to MMMonVHF.

We will try to publish reports and maps as fast as possible. Please
do not forget that your report WILL NOT SHOW UP INMIDIATLY but only
after each report is seen and processed by Frank, PA4EME.
There are so many types of logbook that it is almost impossible to
have a full automatic process. Please read this:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=11&topic=28

Each year I receive reports with wrong dates; please be carefull when
you are sending your report the day after an opening. A good log

only contains:

HH:MM CALL SQUARE

Mind the : in the timeframe
Look for the 0 (zero) and the O (oscar) in locators
The date is in top of the report so no need to write it again

Following this, you would help me a lot and with good reports I will
be able to create logs and maps within minutes and almostv realtime.

Spoken of realtime Sporadic E:

there are still many who have not heard of LiveMUF from G7RAU.
This is a musthave for serious ES hunters.
You can find it here:

http://g7rau.demon.co.uk/default.aspx?menu=5000&LOGINID=a&LOGINKEY=a

No program can work without correct input: a good formated spot
will trigger the right bells when needed so spot your ES-QSO on
the DX-cluster like this

12:00 144.300 PA4EME LZ2GM JO20WX ES KN32RL

the formated part JO20WX ES KN32RL is important!

The propagationtype is between brackets as kan be seen here:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/minibb/index.php?action=vthread&forum=11&topic=88

(the line will not shown correct in many mails as the used bracked are
also used to run HTML-code)

It is important to spot short skip 50 MHz and 70 MHz as these will
be good indicators for 144 MHz ES. Be aware that when 50 MHz looks like
to fade out, it can also be an indicator for short skip. It is possible
that a certain country or area does not allow 50 MHz (or 70 Mhz) or very
rural
uninhabited regions and in that case the band looks dead and suddenly
144 MHz
ES is there. For instance this happens in central Australia every season..
there are no premilary signs of Sporadic E before the MUF reaches wel over
100 MHz.

Good Hunting!

Source: Frank, PA4EME, editor Sporadic E section MMMonVHF

** Meteors in May **

The most prominent shower this month is n ï¿½ Aquariids, peaking May 05,
19h UT.
This shower, related to the rich stream associated with comet 1P/Halley,
is characterized by a broad maximum, sometimes with a variable number of

submaxima. Recent IMO analyses, based on data collected between 1984 and
2001, indicate that ZHR is generally above 30 hr-1 between about may 3-10.
The peak rates appear to be variable on a roughly 12-years timescale,
due to influence of Jupiter. According to this model, the most recent
highest rates should have happended around 2008-2010. Peak ZHR around
65 hr-1 is predicted for 2012. Please note that n ï¿½ Aquariids radiant is
above horizon (thus making the shower usable for MS) in Europe only
(approximatively) in very late night and morning hours. While southern
Europe stations will be able to ï¿½seeï¿½ the radiant till early afternoon,
in northern Europe skies the radiant culminates at reletively low
elevation so an observer is able to see the radiant for much less time.
Some daytime showers (? ï¿½ Cetids, peaking May 20th being the most
significant) will be also active this month; in addition to increasing
Sporadic Meteors background, they will provide good conditions for MS DXing.

Theoretical peaktimes for May meteorshowers can be found here:

http://mmmonvhf.de/ms.php

SOURCE: Massimo, IV3NDC, team MMMonVHF

Hi. Just to let you know, I've now stopped collecting meteor data until I can
find another reliable signal source.

Regards, Andy Smith, G7IZU.

Andy hope you find soon another signal source to keep this great service alive!
Thanks for all your effort.

MMMonVHF Team

** DL8YHR needs some help **

Frank, DL8YHR, needs some help with the manuals and schematics of a
144 MHz amplifier from Coens. This ampplifier is using a 3CX800 and
the advantage is that it is small which can be handy during some
expedition.

A picture can be seen here:
http://tomzurk.files.wordpress.com/2012/01/coens-3cx800-front.gif
Many thanks in advance!

SOURCE: DL8YHR

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC ZP: Paraguay; square: GG22; start 2012-05-05 **

Greetings from Paraguay,

If I feel okay after returning home from Asuncion on Thursday, I am tentatively planning to operate 2m EME on Saturday May 5 from my moonrise at 2045z through May 6 (Sunday) 0100z.

If I still feel good, I will come back on Monday May 7 at 0900z for 3 hours until 01200z. This opening should work for the U.S. west coast and perhaps a little bit to Japan.

Frequency will be probably 144.114 and I will call first. I will be on the N0UK logger.

If my plans change I will notify this reflector. I hope to work many of you.

73 de Steve ZP9EH (GG22BQ)

SOURCE: Stev

Greetings from Paraguay,

I apologize for being out of touch for the last 10 days or so. I have been in the hospital since Sunday April 15 with pneumonia and heart problems. I am better, out of the hospital now, but must remain in Asuncion until May 2. We will need to look at EME conditions from May 5 on. I will probably not be able to operate for long sessions, so we may need to plan for EU openings, W/VE east coast, and W/VE west coast openings on separate days.

Thanks to all of you for your patience. As I have time I will answer your personal messages.

73 de Steve ZP9EH

SOURCE: Steve, ZP9EH, to MoonNet 2012-04-25

** DXCC: TF: Iceland; square HP94; start 2012-04-20 **

TF3ML Portable operation from south coast of Iceland (HP94AC)

I will be on my specially built truck with large antennas,
high power on VHF and UHF and also on 50mhz, 70mhz and 28mhz.
Please look at my facebook site, there I will post my locator,
frequency and mode, which I will be operating.
If you have any requests on a special locator, I am completely
mobile. Send me a text or e-mail if you have any requests or
want to set up a sced. E-mail address: tf3ml@hotmail.com,
and mobile phone: 00354-8418311.

SOURCE: tnx to TF3ML direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: OH0: Aland; square JP90; start 2012-05-24

OH8K/0 will be qrv from JP90SF during the Nordic VUSHF-Meeting 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to join the
Nordic VUSHF-Meeting at Island Aland during 24-27 Mai 2012
(http://vushf.rats.fi/)
They try to be qrv as OH8K/0 on 2m FSK/EME on 25-27 May.
QRG and more details will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: 5X: Oeganda; square KJ60; start 2012-05-25

Moonbounce from Uganda, 5X1EME, KJ60GH

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year
(C56EME with 361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz),
Bonaire (PJ4X) and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to
make
Moonbounce QSO's from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of
Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya (5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit
is requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near
Kampala on the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the
weekend. It's just
the two of us but we know what we are doing. It's a hard job to get the
license there.
Callsign is still a bit insecure but we have good faith in obtaining
5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a
update via MoonNet,
MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.
If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood.
We have to come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

SOURCE: Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: LZ; Bulgaria; square KN22; start 2012-05-05

During Memorial Pobeda 67 (from 08.00 UTC on 5th of May till 14.00 UTC
on 9th of May 2012) LZ1DX, Ned, will activate special callsign LZ67VZ
via EME on frequencies 432.144 MHz, 2320.144 MHz and 2304.144 MHz.
See: http://www.qrz.com/db/lz67vz for details.

To arrange SKEDs please write to lz1dx@lz1dx.org

All contacts will be confirmed 100% by the log via LZ QSL Bureau.

Special callsign LZ67VZ is devoted to the hero of the World War II,
the Bulgarian general Vladimir Zaimov

LZ67VZ operation (printing and sending QSL cards) is sponsored by
SILPA Ltd. - Video with general manager Krasimir Ivanov LZ2UW
(op. Krasi) who was graduated from technical college
"Vladimir Zaimov" in Sopot: http://www.pgzaimov.com - School Radio
Club LZ1KVZ

We'll take part in Memorial Pobeda 67, 5 - 9 of May 2012 -
Rules In Russian,
about PSK:
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1156&Itemid=103

The operator's team will be: LZ1ADF Alex, LZ1BJ Boyan, LZ1DOT Valyo,
LZ1DX Ned, LZ1MC Slav, LZ1ZF Gosho, LZ2JR Boris, LZ2UW Krasi
and LZ3HI Emil.

LZ67VZ will be active on DigiModes DMC# 5525 DMC and EPC# 18090 EPC

LZ67VZ QSL's will be printed by Gold Print Service - LZ3HI

SOURCE: tnx to Maurice, F5NQL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SP : Poland ; square JO80 **

Hello everyone,

Because of the Global Astronomy Month 2012, a special call sign
SN2012GAM appear on the EME bands. We are going to work on European EME
Contest on 13cm. We are cordially invite you to take a QSO with this
special call sign, which will working form the EME Group Klodzko
(SP6OPN) station located in Poland.

73, vy
SP6JLW (Andy), SP3QFE (Armi)
and other operators of the EME Group in Klodzko (JO80jk).

SOURCE: Andrej, SP6JLW to MoonNet 2012-04-28

**DXCC: F; France; square JN18; start 2012-05-05

Maurice, F5NQL
On next week end for the Spring contest, on May 5 to 6, a team of at last
12 operators, all belonging to the PROVINS ARC, F6KOP, will be active as
: TM2A.
QRV on 144, 432, 1296, & 10 GHz, from Villeblevin, Yonne Department, about
110 km south east of Paris.
Locator : JN18OI

SOURCE: tnx to Maurice, F5NQL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ??; square: ??; start 2012-05-17 **

ME-DXpedition 2012 de DL1YMK

The M&M-team is preparing the next EME-DXpedition, taking place in
May 2012. We will set out for our destination just after having
returned from the Swedish EME Meeting, organised by Lars, SM4IVE,
on the weekend 12./13th of May in Oerebro. We hope to reach our
destination in time and to get QRV on Thursday, 17th of May
(bank holiday in Europe) on 23 cm, followed by 70 cm on 18.05.
On Saturday, 19.05., we will be on 13 cm and on Sunday again on
23 cm. 13 cm will be run with a significant increase in power and
full 2424 MHz coverage. For the first time during an EME- DXpedition,
we intend to get also operational on 6 cm with our old, but proven
stressed dish and a new superb feed made by our friend Tommy,
WD5AGO. 6 cm will have an experimental character despite some 100 W
out, as we could not test so far, if the under-illuminated dish will
work up that high in frequency, so keep your fingers crossed!! Our
plan is to give it a try on Monday, 21th May. Also, we intend to
get active on 3 cm with a separate solid dish, which of course is
a lot smaller. Last weekend we made the first test with LX1DB, having
installed the dish in our garden place. The tests were not yet
satisfying, so our friend Willi right now is trying to help us out
with some substantial development aid!
During the DUBUS contest 26./27th of May, we will of course be
active on 23 cm in order to boost activity in the moonbounce contest

of contests. Our last day of operation will be Thursday, 31st of May.
A detailed schedule for the days from 21th May onwards predominantly
will depend on the progress with 10GHz in the meantime. Further details
to be published soon!! This years DXpedition will be the 9th
EME-DXpedition in a sequence for us. We hope to have fun all together
as experienced during past years DXpeditions.but this largely depends
on you.
Needless to say that it will be again a CW random event, although
doodle mode technically is possible (with a new laptop computer)
on request. We have no idea yet to what extent (if at all) i-net
access is feasable, though.

Vy 73, Michael and Monika

SOURCE: Moon mailing list ; Moon@moonbounce.info

**DXCC: 4X: Israel; square KM72; start 2012-05-17

2012 sees the first DXpedition by the group of Dutch radio amateurs
listed below to Israel, who, apart from making QSO's, look forward
to meeting local hams and visiting places of cultural and historical
interest.
We will be active from May 17th until May 30th
The first 6 days we will stay in Nes Ammim in the Northwest between
Nahariya
and Akko in KM72nx. From there we will travel to Rishon LeZion in KM71jw.

The members of the team during May 2012 are Jaap PA7DA, Loek PA9LUC and
XYL,
Hans PA0JBB and SWL Aad van den Nieuwendijk.
At this moment we don't have a 4X callsign and will be QRV according
CEPT-regulations with
4X/PA7DA and 4X/PA9LUC. We will operate mainly on 10, 6 and 2m.

More information on the PA7DA website!

SOURCE: tnx to PA7DA direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: GM: Scotland; square IO57; start 2012-05-16

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon
MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands / IO57

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MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands
(EU-059, Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time,
from 16-21 May, 2012. QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY.
QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

**DXCC: 9H: Maltha; square JM75; start 2012-05-26

Island of Malta qrv on HF and 50 MHz

Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active from the island of Malta (EU-023,
MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, CQ zone 15) as 9H3PP during the CQWW WPX CW Contest
(26-27 May, 2012). Plans are for a Single-Op/Single-Band entry, either
15m or 10m.
After the contest Zoli will focus on some 6m and 12m activity. QSL via
home call.

SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (03 - 10 February 2012)

**DXCC: xx9: Macau; square start 2012-05-12

Macau, XX9, qrv HF and 6 Meter

A team consisting of EA5BZ, EA5CEE, EA6DD, EB5BBM, F5VLY, EA1ACP, EA5FX,
EA7FTR
and EB7DX will be active from Coloane Island, Macau between May 17-23,
2012.
They plan to be active from 6 to 160 meters (include WARC) in CW, SSB
and RTTY
with at least 3 stations simultaneously in different bands and modes.
QSL via EB7DX.
Website: http://www.adxg.org/xx9/

SOURCE: EB7DX

**DXCC: N: USA; square EN91; start 2012-05-12

N8OFS/p qrv 2012-05-12 2300Z till 2012-05-13 0300Z from EN91or

The Rules for the 2012 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints are online...

http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules

I will once again be Broadcasting Live and Direct from the Big Caboose at
the beloved AC&J Railroad for the 6M Sprint... This will be my First of
Six trips to the Caboose for 2012... 50W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the
"DOMINATOR"(tm) at 28.5ft, parked and locked on 52.525FM from EN91or...

PeAcE...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9CDaJ3qR4Q
Andy N8OFS GOT6??? GOT RAVE??? GOT FOOTY??? SMIRK#6737
The CrAzY 6 Meters FM only, sometimes found in a Caboose guy...

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: VP9: Bermuda; square ? ; start 2012-05-07

Seppo,OH1VR/VP9, and Egbert,OH1ZAA/VP9, will be QRV in CW and SSB on HF
and 6m from May 7-13. QSLs via homecalls, OH1VR/VP9 only direct.

SOURCE: DXNL 1778 - May 2, 2012

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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663. eHam.net News for Wednesday 2 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Source record: 3180
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eHam.net News

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Teens Tune in to Joys of 'Ham' Radio:

Posted: 01 May 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28192

TEENAGERS are making waves at a new Hebburn-based radio club. The North East Amateur Radio Club meets at Wardles Bar in Albert Street, Hebburn, between 7pm and 9pm each Monday. Now its two youngest members have successfully passed their Foundation Radio licence examination. Ashleigh Cockburn, 17, from Hebburn, who is a petty officer in the Merchant Navy Volunteer Cadets, and 13-year-old Ben Sewell, from South Shields, who attends Harton Technology College, were recently presented with their pass certificates from Hebburn South councillors Nancy Maxwell and Eddie McAtominey. A club spokesman said: "We broke away from another club and are now operating very successfully from Wardles Bar. "People who join learn about elements such as radio equipment, broadcasting and radio communications. We can even get involved in tracing satellites. "Really, we are involved in what used to be called 'ham' radio, and we would invite anyone interested to come along any Monday night." The North East Amateur Radio Club has 18 members, drawn from Jarrow and Hebburn, South Shields, Boldon, Gateshead and Newcastle.

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Yuma to Get Latest Weather Radar Technology:

Posted: 01 May 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28191

The newest in radar technology is coming to Yuma, bringing with it the ability to more accurately assess weather events and warn of potentially dangerous storms, the National Weather Service announced Monday. The new radar technology is being installed to upgrade Yuma's Doppler weather radar and is expected to be operational in about 1-1/2 weeks. Media, ham radio operators and emergency responders turned out for a meeting at the Yuma County Supervisors Auditorium to learn more about the technology and how it would benefit the local area. Yuma County Administrator Robert Pickels, who described himself as an amateur weather buff, said the new radar "will be significant for Yuma County." Ken Waters, warning coordination meteorologist with the NWS in Phoenix, agreed. "It should help us all be better prepared for storm activity."

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Raymond Steliga, KA2HQK (SK):

Posted: 01 May 2012 05:50 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28190

RINGWOOD - Services were held for Raymond Steliga, 91, of Oakland, who died on Saturday, April 21, 2012. He was the father of Laurie Steliga of this community. Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Steliga lived in Oakland for more than 50 years. He was a co-owner and co-operator of Imperial Home Builders. Also, he was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. A ham radio operator known as KA2HQK, he was a member of the Ramapo Mountain Amateur Radio Club as well. And, he was a soccer and baseball Little League coach.

664. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 3 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-03 11:15:18 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303b421909460804bf1feaa1@google.com>
Source record: 3181
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3d0kZXoz4TM/may_03.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Again the weekend was good and the midweek was poor. The DX was lively
though. YJ0VK (Vanuatu) was very popular all week with Z21BB (Zimbabwe),
TO3X (Saint Barthelémy), YF1AR (Java Island) and TJ3AY (Yaoundé Cameroon)
all prominent. Me I worked nothing. Didn’t hear much either

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Annual Armed Forces Day Crossband Test scheduled for May 12

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HOfvpuw3KLM/annual_armed_forces_day_crossband_test.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring
the annual Military/Amateur Radio Crossband Communications Test in
celebration of the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD)

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World Amateur Radio Day on TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xIAvnbtAxcc/world_amateur_radio_day_on_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The United Arab Emirates Amateur Radio Society was one of many national
societies that took part in World Amateur Radio Day (WARD) on April 18

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GB2BS Bedfordshire Scouts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PHMMv2qvGCI/gb2bs_bedfordshire_scouts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Bedfordshire District Scout Camp is taking place at Gilwell Park this
weekend and they will be operating GB2BS on HF, VHF and UHF

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GB1TBW - Nottinghamshire Scout Camp

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C1UsGAdAURE/gb1tbw_nottinghamshire_scout_camp.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sherwood Amateur Radio Club (SARC) will be active on most bands from
Friday, May 4-7 from Southwell Racecourse for 'The Big Weekend' camp

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OSSI - A CubeSat as Art

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VwGpixQdfkg/ossi_a_cubesat_as_art.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest work of Korean artist Hojun Song is a satellite that is fitted
with LED's that can signal in Morse code, it's due to launch in August

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Biggin Hill Heritage Centre

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZvY37qkI6zQ/biggin_hill_heritage_centre.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

RAF Biggin Hill was a key fighter station defending London during the
Battle of Britain. It also pioneered the development of wireless technology
with ground-to-aircraft and air-to-air communication

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GB3LV repeater back on the air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PPMt0ZmmomA/gb3lv_repeater_back_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB3LV - the north London 70cm, IRLP and Echolink enabled repeater, is back
on the air again after having been off air for a day or so with an
intermittent fault. GB3NL and GB3EN were unaffected

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Charlie Tango DX Group 3rd Birthday Competition sponsored by Cobra Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XA83-9xlq54/charlie_tango_dx_group_3rd_birthday_competition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On the 19th June 2012, the Charlie Tango DX Group will celebrate it's third
birthday and will be doing so in style. They will be running a competition
to win one of two brand-new radios

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New Section Manager appointed in Virgin Islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5SyET_fn0UQ/new_section_manager_appointed_in_virgin_islands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Fred Kleber, K9VV, has been appointed as Section Manager of the Virgin Islands Section beginning May 1, 2012. Kleber, of Christainsted, is taking the reins from John Ellis, NP2B, who is planning to move out of the Section soon

665. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 3 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-03 16:15:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bfb24237f7404bf241e73@google.com>
Source record: 3182
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Is 7O6T operation legitimate?

Posted: 02 May 2012 05:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344624-Is-7O6T-operation-legitimate&goto=newpost

As these lines are being written HF Radio Amateurs worldwide are going berserk trying to work the 7O6T operation from an Island off the shores of Yemen.

Apparently, the 7O6T team has received strict orders not to work 4X/4Z stations from Israel.

Now, when I studied for my amateur radio license I learnt you mustn't mix politics and ham radio.

I was under the impression that in this hobby we are leaving politics aside and striving for a world of harmony and peace amongst us Amateurs.

When I operated special event stations as well as DX-peditions in the past, I never, but never, ignored anyone calling me.

Not knowingly, I attempted to call the 7O6T stations only for them to snub me time and time again or pretend they copied a station from Luxemburg LX1UN thinking they are doing me a favor so I can get a QSL card later on.

Let me tell you this, my country has its share of problems, but Israeli Radio Amateurs have been respectable members of IARU and the global amateur community since the establishment of our state back in 1948. We have assisted countries in need during earthquakes and other natural disasters (including Muslim countries) and have never discriminated anyone - At least not in the past 20 years or so.

Hence, I think the ARRL should take a stand once and for all on these issues and approve DX operations which enable the entire global amateur community to contact them. Otherwise, all this DX chasing is nothing but Politics - and I for one, don't want to be a politician.

666. eHam.net News for Thursday 3 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-03 22:04:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f6465d1cda00404bf28fbb6@google.com>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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New Section Manager Appointed in Virgin Islands:

Posted: 01 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28194

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Annual Armed Forces Day Crossband Test Scheduled for May 12:

Posted: 01 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28193

The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual Military/Amateur Radio Crossband Communications Test in celebration of the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD). Although the actual Armed Forces Day is celebrated on the third Saturday in May -- May 19 in 2012 -- the AFD Military/Amateur Crossband Communications Test will be conducted on May 12 to prevent conflict with the Dayton Hamvention, scheduled for May 18-20.

667. The ARRL Letter for May 3, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-03 22:43:44 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120503183056.A3FD027499@bmail.arrl.org>
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+ Available on ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

Please note: There will be no ARRL Audio News
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, May 18. The ARRL
Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter> will be sent out on its regular
schedule that day.

==> + ON THE AIR: ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY CROSSBAND TEST SCHEDULED FOR
MAY 12
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The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual Military/Amateur Radio Crossband Communications Test in celebration of the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day. Although the actual Armed Forces Day is celebrated on the third Saturday in May -- May 19 in 2012 -- the AFD Military/Amateur Crossband Communications Test will be conducted on May 12 to prevent a conflict with the Dayton Hamvention®, scheduled for May 18-20. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/annual-armed-forces-day-crossband-test-scheduled-for-may-12>.

==> + ON THE AIR: 7O6T YEMEN DXPEDITION NOW UNDERWAY

The Daily DX is reporting that the 7O6T Yemen DXpedition began at 2100 UTC Monday, April 30 and will continue through 2100 UTC May 15. Yemen currently sits at #5 on DX Magazine's most wanted list, behind North Korea, Navassa, Bouvet and Heard Island. The ARRL DXCC Desk will review the 7O6T DXpedition's documentation before granting approval for the operation to count for DXCC credit.

The DXpedition will be on Socotra Island -- the largest island in the four-island Socotra archipelago located in the Indian Ocean -- about 353 kilometers south of the Yemen mainland. Socotra Island (AF-028) is also ranked #1 on the RSGB's Islands on the Air (IOTA) list, with only .3 percent of IOTA participants claiming it. Socotra also counts for one of the three Diamond DXCC Entities that make up today's Yemen (including Aden City and Yemen itself) from the 1937 DXCC List. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/7o6t-yemen-dxpedition-to-get-underway-today>.

==> + ON THE AIR: LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD MARKS 50,000 USERS

On May 1, Dragan Pavlovic, YT3PDT, completed his registration process for Logbook of The World (LoTW <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>), becoming the 50,000th person to take advantage of the ARRL's online QSL confirmation system. According to ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, there are more than 3500 individuals from outside the US in the process of obtaining a digital certificate, and more than 1800 individuals inside the US who have started the certificate process, but not yet finished.

Earlier this year, the ARRL and CQ Communications announced <http://www.arrl.org/news/logbook-of-the-world-to-now-support-cq-awards> that the ARRL will provide support for CQ-sponsored operating awards by LoTW, beginning with the WPX Award. This project has entered the beta testing phase <http://www.arrl.org/news/wpx-awards-via-lotw-enters-beta-testing> with a select group of hams and, barring any unforeseen circumstances, is on track to be launched to the Amateur Radio community this month.

"Radio amateurs around the world consider LoTW to be the 'must have' awards and electronic confirmation system," Patton said. "We look forward to planned improvements and upgrades, and we are gratified that so many people have helped the system grow and become more and more useful."

==> + ARDF UPDATE: REGISTER NOW FOR THE USA ARDF CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The biggest event of the year is coming soon for fans of on-foot hidden transmitter hunting, also called foxtailing, radio-orienteering and Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF). Beginners and experts will gather in the mountains east of San Diego for the 12th Annual USA ARDF championships during the week and the weekend after Memorial Day. There they will test their abilities, refine their equipment and learn the best techniques from one another. Some will take home medals.

Activities will get under way on Wednesday and Thursday, May 30-31, when an optional two-day "training camp" will take place. This is a wonderful opportunity for immersion in bearing-taking and course strategy, with experts to help. Orienteering maps with elevation contours and color-coded terrain markings are new to many on-foot foxhunters, but the camp will instill confidence in using them to navigate in unfamiliar forests.

The official championships opening will take place on Friday, June 1. Friday's schedule also includes additional practice and equipment testing sessions, followed by a meeting for orientation and rules review. The 2 meter contest will take place in the woods on Saturday, and a banquet and awards ceremony will follow that evening. Sunday's schedule includes the 80 meter contest and another awards ceremony. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ardf-update-register-now-for-the-usa-ardf-championships-in-southern-california>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of April -- takes a look at an FCC request for comments in a Congressional study, new radar systems in the 1240-1300 MHz (23 cm) band, updated rules for ARRL volunteer card checkers, forthcoming ARRL publications, happenings at W1AW, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-45>.

==> + SECTION NEWS: NEW SECTION MANAGER APPOINTED IN VIRGIN ISLANDS

Fred Kleber, K9VV, has been appointed as Section Manager of the Virgin Islands Section as of May 1, 2012. Kleber, of Christiansted, St Croix, is taking the reins from John Ellis, NP2B, who is planning a move out of the Section soon. Ellis has been Section Manager of the Virgin Islands since 1996. Kleber has served as the Section Emergency Coordinator of the Virgin Islands this past year. Ellis recommended that Kleber fulfill his current term of office that continues until September 30, 2012. In response, Dave Patton, NN1N, Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager, consulted with ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK, and made the appointment effective on May 1.

Nomination petitions are now being accepted at ARRL Headquarters for any qualified ARRL member who would like to run for the next term of

office as the US Virgin Islands Section Manger. See the notice in the April 2012 (page 80) or May 2012 (page 76) issues of QST for details on how to nominate someone for this post.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Our days run as fast away as does the Sun <http://www.poetryfoundation.org/poem/176696>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers declined 38 points to 106.7 this week, while the average daily solar flux declined nearly 18 points to 116.2. The data reporting week runs from Thursday through the following Wednesday, so this comparison is between April 26-May 2, contrasted against April 19-25. The predicted solar flux is 115 for May 3-6, 110 on May 7-8, 115 on May 9, 130 on May 10-12, 135 on May 13, 140 on May 14-17, 135 on May 18-21, and 130, 125, 120, 115, and 110 on May 22-26. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on May 3-8, then 10, 15 and 8 on May 9-11, 5 on May 12-13, 8 on May 14-15, then 5, 8, 5, 8 and 10 on May 16-20, 15 on May 21-23, 8 on May 24, and then 5 on May 25-June 4. The NASA solar cycle prediction <http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml> from the Marshall Space Flight Center has changed over the past month: The predicted maximum smoothed international sunspot number changed from 61 to 60, but still predicted for next spring 2013. The date of the new prediction is May 1, 2012 and last month's was on April 2, 2012. International sunspot numbers have much lower values than the sunspot numbers we use in this bulletin. The prediction is still for Solar Cycle 24 to be the lowest sunspot cycle in the past century. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, May 4. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Robert Herrick's Corinna's Gone A-Maying <http://www.poetryfoundation.org/bio/robert-herrick>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: RICHARD PATON WINS APRIL QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the April QST Cover Plaque award is retired USCG Commander Richard Paton for his article "Radio's Role in the Titanic Disaster." Congratulations Richard! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the May issue today.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- How do you participate in Field Day?
- Where do you store your QSL cards?
- How were you introduced to Amateur Radio?
- Do you suffer interference from your vehicle's electronics when you operate mobile?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the August 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- May 4 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 5 -- Microwave Spring Sprint (local time)
- May 5-6 -- New England QSO Party; Indiana QSO Party; 7th Call Area QSO Party; 10-10 International Spring Contest (CW); ARI International DX Contest; Araucaria VHF Contest
- May 8 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- May 9-10 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- May 11 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 12 -- FISTS Spring Sprint
- May 12-13 -- Nevada Mustang Roundup; EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party; VOLTA WW RTTY Contest; CQ-M International DX Contest; 50 MHz Spring Sprint
- May 13 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; WAB LF Phone Contest
- May 14 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- May 17 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- May 4-6 -- EMCOMMWEST <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/emcommwest-convention-1>, Reno, Nevada
- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>, Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electro
nics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 4 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,

Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING MAY 06 2012.

IT'S A BEAT UP

IT'S A BALLOON UP

Whistle-like signal in Amateur Radio 40m band

FLOWER POWER WITH GB0BFM

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 6 2012.

IT'S A BEAT UP

Paul vk5fpau sent us an interesting item from adelaidenow.com.au titled

"RECYCLED and decommissioned SA Police radios are being sold at public
auction and illegally tuned into private frequencies by radio hams."

In February, the Australian Communications and Media Authority seized nine
radios and issued warning notices for the "unlawful possession of radio
communications devices" to unlicensed radio hams in Adelaide after a
complaint of substantial interference from a licensed operator.

Now we won't go on here as so much of the story is full of inaccuracies, unfortunately the emphasis has been shifted onto we hams being "in the wrong".

Terminology and just what the on line reporter has in his or her mind we hams get up to is just way out of left field!

adelaidenow.com.au/police-radios-used-illegally/story-e6frea6u-1226342058370

WIA's Peter Young VK3MV said that theACMA confirmed that a major compliance action was undertaken in Adelaide in the past week.

Reports suggesting that Ham Operators were involved have been denied by the ACMA.

Monitoring of the radio spectrum from ACMA infrastructure in Adelaide confirmed that a number of users (Pirates) were active on frequencies licensed to other parties. Intelligence gathered through this monitoring indicated that these individuals possessed equipment programmed with numerous frequencies. Enquiries made by the ACMA found that these users did not hold ACMA licences for these frequencies.

The radios operated by the individuals involved in this matter had been programmed with a number of frequencies which were licensed to various organisations. The ACMA received a report of substantial interference from a licensee although the extent of the disruption to their communications is not known.

The ACMA did not receive any information indicating that there was a danger to public safety. Notices issued were in relation to the radio transceivers in the possession of the individuals and nine of these transceivers were subsequently surrendered to theACMA. The ACMA is still considering whether to take prosecution action.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

The Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club's 37th annual field day takes place at Port Macquarie on Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th of June 2012.

The venue is the Tacking Point Surf Life Saving Club hall in Matthew Flinders Drive, Lighthouse Beach, Port Macquarie NSW.

There will be all the usual attractions and events over the two days of the Field Day. The Field Day dinner will be held at the Port Macquarie Golf Club at 6pm on the Saturday night. Foxhunts will be conducted on both days. Sunday is the day for the traders and the trash and treasure tables. There is no charge to sellers so bring your treasure.

The famous barbeque lunch will be available on both Saturday and Sunday.

Mark your calendar now for Port Macquarie on the June Long Weekend.

Visit the Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club Inc. website at
http://www.orarc.org for more information or write to the club at
PO Box 712 Port Macquarie NSW 2444.

(Henry Lundell VK2ZHE President, Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club Inc.)

The next one day Foundation course being conducted by ARNSW will be Sunday 20 May at the VK2WI Dural site. Assessments for both the course and all license grades will be conducted on Sunday the 27th May. This is also the next bi-monthly Trash & Treasure day.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

MDRC Hamfest 2012

The Moorabbin and District Amateur Radio club are pleased to announce, this year's Hamfest will be held in at a BRAND NEW LOCATION with improved access and parking.

This year's event will be at the Southern Community Centre, Rupert Drive, Mulgrave (Melways map ref 80 F4) on Saturday 26th May - doors opening at 10am.

The Moorabbin Radio Club's annual Hamfest is proud to be Victoria's biggest with displays and sales of new and preloved equipment. A must come must see event for anyone interested in Radio Communications and Electronics.

Major door prizes, free tea and coffee, light refreshments and a sausage sizzle will also be on offer.

Trader table bookings and general enquires can be made by emailing
Graeme Lewis VK3GL (vk3gl@bigpond.com) or by phoning mobile 0418 171601.

A Must see, must come event!!

GippsTech 2012

Do you own one of the more recent amateur transceivers that include six metres, two metres and/or 70 centimetres in addition to the HF bands?

Have you explored any of the bands above HF?

Or do you simply use the two metre and 70 centimetre capability on FM for chatting with the locals or to access the local repeater?

If this sounds familiar, you might be surprised at what you can actually work on these higher bands, especially if you tune to the SSB segments or explore some of the digital modes. But how do you discover more information about such operation?

One way is to read one of the radio handbooks or explore some of the many websites. Perhaps it would be easier to attend the annual GippsTech conference.

GippsTech has a reputation as a premier amateur radio technical conference. It focusses primarily on techniques applicable in the VHF, UHF and microwave bands, especially for weak-signal contacts.

It is almost that time again: GippsTech 2012 will be happening on the weekend of the 7th and 8th of July, at Monash University Gippsland Campus in Churchill, Victoria, about 170 km east of Melbourne.

A Partner's Tour will be conducted, together with an informal social gathering for dinner on Friday and a Conference Dinner on Saturday. Those of you who have more experience and have information to share with others are invited to submit titles of presentations to the Conference Chair as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you at GippsTech in early July.

Further details are available from the Eastern Zone Amateur Radio Club website:

http://www.vk3bez.org/

(Peter VK3PF Conference Chair)

RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that tomorrow Monday May 7th the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's monthly News and Information Bulletin will be broadcast on a number of HF and VHF frequencies.

The principal HF transmissions will be on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz USB at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for the eastern states, and at 0200 UTC beamed westward for Western Australia.

Numerous local relays will take place on both VHF and lower HF frequencies, To find the times and frequencies for your area please visit the RAOTC website at www.raotc.org.au

Once again, that's www.raotc.org.au

Everyone, RAOTC Members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half hour of Old Timer news, information and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday May 7th.

73 from Clive VK6CSW

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Are you coming to the WIA AGM in Mildura ?

Last week on the WIA Annual Conference promo spot we interviewed Terry Baume VK5VZI from the Project Horus team. As we heard, the Horus team will not only be giving us the full technical lowdown on their Balloon launches during the Saturday afternoon technical Symposium sessions, but will also be launching a real Horus, yes Horus 25 on Sunday morning from the old aero ovals a publicly accessible council property in Mildura. Over the last week there has been a great deal of discussion and enthusiasm shown for this launch, with some groups now actively planning to arrive in Mildura for the Annual Conference weekend so they can take part in tracking and following the balloon and its payload and as we heard on last weeks news being in the running for the Yaesu FT-1900 transceiver. A number of questions have been received during the week from those who enjoyed Terry's interview, questions such as, How far will the balloon travel and do we know which direction it is likely to go ?

Well I have followed these questions up with Terry and I have some answers, he informs me that Horus team believe the balloon will remain in the air for about two and half hours possibly longer, during that time and depending on atmosperic conditions it can typically travel between 50 and 200 kilometers before it bursts and the payload parachutes back to the ground. Now the questions which way will it travel, well the answer to that mystery will of course be revealed on the day !

The Horus 25 launch is planned to take place at 8:00 am from the old areo ovals, this council park has planty of parking for cars. In addition for people attending the Annual Conference without their own vehicle, a minibus operated by the Sunraysia radio club will be running to ferry people from the Hotel to the ovals for the launch and to the Paddleboat Mundoo for the lunchtime cruise.

As was mentioned on last weeks news, actively following and tracking the ballon on its possible 1 or 200 kilometer journey is a separate activity to the Paddleboat Mundoo boat cruise and the scenic journey up and down the Murray river. We have been asked by the WIA office to make sure that everyone who is booking in for the weekend is fully aware that following the balloon and the Mundoo boat trip are separate activities, so here it is again to make completely sure there is no mistake, following and tracking the Horus Balloon on its possible 1 or 200 kilometer journey will be a separate Sunday activity to that of the Paddleboat Mundoo lunch and river cruise.

See you in Mildura, register today to be part of this great weekend.

Follow the link on wia.org.au to the Annual Conference in Mildura.

DISCUSSION POINT

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

Earlier this year, I raised the idea that it may be more efficient to dispense with charging for amateur radio licences on the basis that the figures for cost recovery have not been compared with the possible savings with the dispensation.

To finish the month of April, the Communications Minister Conroy released a small book called the Convergence Review.

www.dbcde.gov.au/digital economy/convergence review

This report addresses the issues raised by multiple platforms for what is currently called the media. However, in a move that would undo the integration of the old Broadcasting Control Board into the ACMA, it is recommended that the ACMA be replaced by another regulator attuned to the world of "broadcasting".

Because of the difficulties involved in structuring licences for multiple platforms and to quote the Executive Summary,

"The Review recommends that the licensing of broadcasting services should cease. As a consequence, the current costs for government and business associated with planning and issuing licences and administering categories of broadcasting services will disappear entirely".

If the government adopts these recommendations, Amateur Radio has a strong precedent for the abolition of licence fees.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think.....how about you?

(4ZPP/QNEWS)

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Recently I celebrated my birthday, my Amateur Radio Birthday that is. I've now had my license for 12 months and each time I go on air I find myself surrounded by people who know more than I do.

It's great to be in a position where you're not the "expert". In my day-job, I'm a 30 year veteran in the field. Fortunately in Amateur Radio, there are others around with that same level of black magic voo-doo that makes a conversation go along a little like this:

"How do I do this?" - "well, plug that into there and then flick that switch and it'll work." - "Cool, how did you know?" - "Well, when I was camped on the side of the road near Karratha in the 50's I had the same problem and this is how I fixed it."

I find it difficult to express what it means to be able to talk to people who are able and willing to share their knowledge and experience. There is a level of awe - I've been on the receiving end of it in my own field, I recognize it, but it doesn't seem real - and a level of gratitude that the expert spent the time to explain.

In my day job, more and more I find that the level of expertise and comprehension is declining. I suspect that there are Amateurs who believe that the Foundation License is an extension of that same phenomenon. Of course having such a license myself, I'm a little biased, but I'd like to observe that I actually paid for and attended a training course, read training materials, did a practical and theoretical test, paid for a license and had to go out, source my equipment, build some of it and make it all work.

Although I think it's true that in a technical sense the world appears to be getting dumber, I'd like to challenge the notion that this is also the case in Amateur Radio. I think the only point you could make is that a Foundation License makes it possible for more people to participate, but that participation in itself is evidence that there is a certain level of thirst for learning and improvement. I've seen Foundation Licensees around me build antennas, investigate new technologies and ideas, research and publish - all fuelled by their initial Foundation License.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Wellington Radio ZLW

Wellington Radio ZLW closed in 1993 after operating from Tinakori Hill for about eighty years.

A group of former ZLW operators is planning a commemoration for all those who contributed to maritime safety all those years and the radio operators who were executed in the Gilbert Islands (Kiribati) in 1942.

The commemoration is planned to provide a memorial plaque. The unveiling ceremony is planned for 16 September 2013, the 20th anniversary of the station's closure.

Fists club downunder say former ZLW and ships' operators who wish to be involved and kept informed of how the plans for the event are progressing are invited to communicate with Barry Allison

bazbarbzingizzie@xtra.co.nz

UK REGULATOR OFCOM ANNOUNCES HAM BAND RESTRICTIONS DURING 2012 OLYMPICS

Details of amateur band frequency restrictions during the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games have now been released by U-K Telecommunications regulator Ofcom. The greatest impact to ham radio appears to be satellite and other operations in the 436 to 437 MHz segment of 70 centimetres.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, explained why:

Parts of the 70, 13 and 9 centimetre amateur bands in the United Kingdom will face restrictions between June 28th and September 23rd. This, due to need for spectrum during the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The restrictions only apply in geographically limited areas, with 70cm being particularly affected around London and Weymouth. Also hard hit by the restrictions will be ham radio satellite operations.

According to a notice on the AMSAT-UK web site the Amateur-satellite Service allocation in the 435 to 438 MHz range

will be restricted to 436.25 to 437.25 MHz This is based on an understanding that the equipment being used for Olympics communications in the 430 MHz band will include handheld FM rigs at the hotels, the routes to the venues and at the venues themselves.

The U-K communications regulator Ofcom say the use of radio by amateurs in the designated areas could cause interference to various communications at the games. Also, it is possible that higher power transmissions from outside these areas could cause interference as well. Consequently, to avoid the risk of interference, Ofcom has requested that United Kingdom amateurs do not operate within the frequency ranges it has outlined. This says AMSAT-UK means that the spectrum identified by Ofcom should be avoided for a considerable distance outside the designated Olympic communications zones.

AMSAT-UK notes that a well-equipped station on a good site 75 km or more from the edge of an Olympics communications zone could still put a fairly decent signal into that area.

Newsline did a bit of research and found that the closest heavily populated mainland European city to London appears to be Calais, France. This is mainly over water path only about 93 airline miles or 149 kilometres away from the closest Olympic venue.

That said, Ofcom has so far not asked the French or any other European telecommunications administrations to restrict their nations Amateur Service allocations during the Olympic and Paralympic games.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, far from the U-K in Scottsdale, Arizona.

More on this is on-line at www.uk.amsat.org/6574 and RSGB.org/olympics. (GB2RS, AMSAT-UK, ARNewslineT)

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

DIGITAL MOBILE RADIO ON HAM RADIO NOW

The future of digital audio in VHF and UHF amateur radio is the subject of a video conversation between video producer Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, and expert Jeff Parker, WA1WXL, who works for Motorola Solutions. The video presents a discussion of alternative digital audio systems available today and what may be coming to the ham radio market in the very near future. You can see it on line as Episode 7 of Pearce's Ham Radio New series. The URL is hamradionow.tv.

ULTRA THIN FLEXIBLE BATTERIES EXPECTED IN 2013

In news from around the world, an ultra-thin flexible
battery is on its way from Japan electronic giant NEC.
According to reports, the company has worked for over a
decade to design an organic battery is just one one-
hundredth of an inch thick, can refresh a teeny screen 2,000
times and can be recharged in less than a minute.

In 2013, the battery is expected to be included in such
items as enhanced credit and debit cards that display
balances, electronic hotel keys, subway and train passes and
in much slimmer and lighter smart phones. The organic battery
is also expected to pave the way for slender flat-screen displays
and e-readers with a texture that feels like paper.

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SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

Denis Johnstone VK4AE Contest Manager for John Moyle Memorial Field Day 2012
has submitted results which include:-

24 Hour Portable Operation - Multiple Op VK3ER First place All mode all band
24 Hour Portable Operation - Single Op VK4OE FIRST all band / phone
24 Hour Home Station VK4VDX First place

6 Hour Portable Op - Multiple Operator VK4BAR First all band phone
6 Hour Portable Op - Single Operator VK3WAM First place all mode / vhf
6 Hour Home Station VK2DAG First

All of the portable stations that went to the effort to send in a log will
get a certificate. The WIA believes that those who made the effort to setup
and operate a portable station should be acknowledged.

In line with last year, the Foundation License logs who did not achieve a
placing were instead awarded a Participation Certificate for encouragement.

Full details are on line wia.org.au

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

First activation of Botley Flour Mills for Mills on the Air weekend
withe callsign GB 0 BFM for Mills on the Air weekend on the 12/13th of May

Itchen Valley Radio Club: http://www.ivarc.org.uk/

Southampton University Wireless society: http://www.suws.susu.org

Botley Flour Mills: http://www.botleymills.co.uk/heritage.htm

EA3OW is now active through May 12th as EA 3 0W/HH8 from Southern Haiti.

Listen out for him on 40 through 10 meters using SSB, RTTY and digital modes.

QSL via his home callsign, EA 3 OW

DJ 9 RR will be on the air as S 79 RR from Mahe Island between May 15th and the 23rd. Activity on 40 through 10 meters using CW and RTTY.

QSL via his home callsign, JJ 9 RR.

Some special event call signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games:

2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales.

The London 2012 Inspire program has granted the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) -- Great Britain's IARU Member-Society -- use of the "Inspire mark" for these stations.

Both stations will be on-the-air for the duration of the Games, July 27-August 12.

More Special callsigns for UK radio amateurs during 2012

The Radio Society of Great Britain and Ofcom have reached agreement on the optional use of special callsigns for two significant events during 2012.

For the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, all UK amateur stations will have the option of applying for a variation to their licence if they wish, to use a special prefix for a five week period. This will add or substitute the letter "Q" in the place of the Regional identifier in the callsign.

Period: 00.00 BST 5th May 2012 to 23.59 BST 10th June 2012.

For the period of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games, a similar facility will exist for a seven week period, using the letter "O".

Period: 00.00 BST 21st July 2012 to 23.59 BST 9th September 2012

Read the full details at
http://www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id=0263

9H3PP

>From Malta 9H3PP May 26th and 27th during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest. Activity outside of the contest will be on 6 and 12 meters, possibly 17 meters.
QSL via HA5PP.

F4CYZ is operational from Morocco as CN2YZ through years end. His activity will be from the city of Tangier especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a

Web site with a log-check.
It's in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

W6G, San Francisco Amateur Radio Club will be holding Special Event Station W6G to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge on May 26, 2012 at 2000z to May 27, 2012 at 2200z
Details on www.sfarc.org

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Whistle-like signal in Amateur Radio 40m band

OZ9AEC has found a strange signal in the 7 MHz band using his AMSAT-UK FUNcube Dongle with an HF up-converter.

A strange whistle-like signal received on the 40 meter band using Gqrx software defined radio receiver and a FUNcube Dongle equipped with a shortwave converter. The signal appears to be amplitude modulated with suppressed lower side band (just like UVB-76 ;-)) Is it an ionosonde or a numbers station?

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Ecuadorian CubeSat will monitor near-earth objects

Ecuador's first satellite NEE-01 Pegasus is slated to launch this October from Yasny on the same DNEPR rocket as the AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1.

Pegasus is a 1U CubeSat with two large deployable solar panels and the Ecuadorian Civilian Space Agency (EXA) indicates 28.8 amps can be generated.

There is an on-board camera to send live video from space from a 3 watt TV transmitter in the 902 MHz band along with a beacon that will send an ID and Ecuador's national anthem.

On April 25, EXA announced that it will be adding a mission to NEE-01 Pegasus: It will help monitoring near-earth objects from orbit using its

on-board 720p HD video camera and will also help in the catalogue and control of orbital debris (space junk), this new mission will turn the NEE-01 in to the first online, real time orbital video sentry for the planet, as the satellite has the capability to stream its video signal directly to the Internet.

The satellite will send two signals that will be received and decoded by the EXA's HERMES-A ground station and then uploaded live to the Internet using Twitter and Facebook.

The first signal will contain text book questions and the second will contain an image related to the question. If the students are able to answer the question correctly they will be granted access to the video camera on-board the spacecraft and will be able to see earth from space as the astronauts see it in their space missions.

More advanced students will have access to the pure radio signal so they can try decoding it by themselves. The EXA will provide them with the appropriate support software free of charge.

EXA Press release
http://exa.ec/bp42/index-en.html

NEE-01 Pegasus
http://exa.ec/bp37/index-en.html

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

JOTA/JOTI

It's admittedly still a fair way off and as yet VK1WIA has not been given dates but in VK7 JOTA co-ordinator Peter VK7KPC advises that the NTARC JOTA effort will take place at the Carnacoo camp site at Paper Beach, as part of a Northern Districts camp.

Operation will be from marquees with mains power available.

us Hams in the Jacksonville area had been helping Scouts in the
North Florida Council earn their Radio merit badges over the years.

But they were looking to do more for the Scouts and for ham radio.

Scott Roberts, KK4ECR, says a group of those hams finally decided
to make a move.

"We approached one of the local Scout camps here in the area
and talked to them about it and they said, 'Yes, we're all
for it, let's do it,' Roberts says.

"And, basically, at that point, amateur radio club KB4SA was
born."

The station is being set up at Camp Echockotee in Orange
Park, Florida. It also has backing from Clay County Amateur
Radio Emergency Service operators.

Roberts says KB4SA will be staffed by Scouters and Scouts
looking to share the fun of the amateur radio hobby.

On Saturday, May 12, Roberts says the station will launch
operations with a special event station from the camp. And
he's looking to make contacts with.
"Other Scout clubs, with other DX stations that are around
that can be available that day to talk to the Scouts and
kind of make it a big hit for some of these Scouts that have
been on the radio before and then some of those that have
never been on the radio before," Roberts says.

You can find more about the KB4SA operation by going online
to our website, arnewsline.org for a link (http://kb4sa.org)
to information about the station and the frequencies.

(Amateur Radio Newsline and Mark Abramowicz, NT3V)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

A very major WICEN activity will take place at St Helens VK7 over the
June long weekend - the Tom Quilty Equine Endurance Event.

For those not in the know about matters equine, this is the National
Championship endurance event for both riders and horses. Once again, NTARC
will be contributing operators to the communications effort supporting this
prestigious event.

NTARC WICEN co-ordinator Norm VK7KTN would love to hear from any member who
would like to join a small team, . However, the more the merrier, so why
not give this event a go. It will be many years before the Tom Quilty returns
to VK7!

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 5- 6 VK4 RADAR and MARC Clairview Gathering

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

MAY 26 VK3 MDRC Hamfest Southern Community Centre, Mulgrave 10am

MAY 26 VK4 BARCFEST (a hamfest) Mt Gravatt Showgrounds 9am.

JUN 8-11 VK4 FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast

JUN 9-10 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club field day Port Macquarie.

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

This is Mal VK3FDSL with the latest information on the WIA Annual Conference weekend in Mildura.

Well we are just a couple of weeks away from the big event - if you haven't registered yet, I urge you to do so immediately, please. We have in excess of one hundred and fifty people booked in so far, so come along and join in the fun.

Our block booking of reserved accommodation at the Grand Hotel will expire next Wednesday, so if you intend staying at the Grand, you must book by then. Just quote the WIA Conference to get yourself our special rates, which includes a cooked breakfast each day you stay.

I'm looking forward to meeting you all in Mildura May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012.

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

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If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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669. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 250

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-04 08:32:02 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <C9F2C114C15C4F7C915B53854C3F3928@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 3186
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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4 May 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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Debby Says…For some reason I have received a number of calls from members who have not received their Break In. It appears the NZ Post gremlin has stuck again, therefore please advise me ASAP if you have not and I will send another one to you.

As we are getting closer to conference it's time to consider if your branch will be represented at the AGM. If not and you wish your votes on remits to be included, please forward to me and I will arrange for a proxy to represent you. If however you have some-one in particular that is willing to do so from another branch, please forward the results to that person.

Finally my apologies for no Info-Line last week. I somehow got out of sync with the dates that Jamie Pye and Jim Meachen had prepared and are advertised on our web page… Hopefully as time goes on, we will be able to find a more suitable Editor for HQ Info-line

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Notice of Intention to place the Southern Wairarapa Branch 82 into Recess

Council has received a request from the one remaining member of the Southern Wairarapa Branch 82, to place the Branch into recess. Repeated attempts by that member over the last 10 years to interest amateurs living in the Southern Wairarapa area to join the Branch have not met with any success. This notice is being placed in HQ InfoLine and also in May/June Break-In to advise members of the intention to place Branch

82 into recess. If any amateurs in the Southern Wairarapa area are interested in re-forming the Branch, please advise Debby ZL2DL at NZART Headquarters either by email or in writing. Closing date for expressions of interest is Friday 22 June 2012.

73

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC

NZART President

VK/Trans-Tasman Contest

The 80m Phone VK/Trans-Tasman contest will be run this year on Saturday 12 May 2012, from 8 UTC to 14 UTC (8pm-2am NZST), with the best 5 of the 6 hours counting toward the final score.

Rob, ZL3AKM, who has been assisting the previous contest manager for a number of years, has now become the new contest manager following Bruce's resignation after more than 10 years service.

There have been a number of changes for 2012, most significantly, the old web site is no longer active. The main website for the contest is now the Trans-Tasman contest page on the WIA website: http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/transtasman/

There have been a few other changes to the scoring system, including the removal of the "participation factor" and changes to the way group points are score. These changes, and the full rules, can be found on the WIA Trans-Tasman contest page.

The 160m Phone and both 80m and 160m CW and digital trans-Tasman contests have been combined on a single evening to include single band and mode categories, through to dual band multi-multi categories, and to increase activity and provide more operating fun for everyone!

The combined 160m Phone and 160m/80m CW and Digital contest will be help on Saturday 21 July 2012, 8 UTC to 14 UTC.

Details on the WIA trans-Tasman contest page.

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Rob, ZL3AKM
Contest Manager

FROM THE VHF-UHF-SHF CONTEST MANAGER

LOW BAND CONTEST

The preliminary results are:

The overall winner was ZL4AA, in second place ZL2FAE, and in third place ZL3ED.

ZL4AA had the highest score on each band.

The best DX was 643 km on 2 metres, between ZL2FAE and ZL4AA.

The full results will be posted on: www.vhf.org.nz, once the Contest Committee has finished cross-checking the logs.

THE NEXT CONTESTS

The next contest is the Hibernation Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th of June 2012. This is the weekend after Queen's Birthday weekend. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Brass Monkey Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th of August 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The Contest Rules are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to: zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFO LINE 250

NZART COUNCIL REVISES ITS LICENCE FEE POLICY

As mentioned in “From the President” (page 3 March/April Break-In), NZART Council has revised its Beacon, Link and Repeater Licence Fee Policy. Here are more details.

Council resolved to encourage the transfer of Repeater, Beacon and Link Licences from NZART to the equipment-owning Branches, and to impose a surcharge of $5.11 per licence, to offset NZART HQ costs, on those licences that remain with NZART.

The MED's Annual Administration Fee, for an Amateur Beacon, Link, or Repeater Licence, is $46.00, if paid by credit card via the MED's SMART website, or $51.11, if paid by cheque to the MED's Business Service Centre. The $5.11 surcharge recognises the cost to the MED of processing a manual payment.

Previously, NZART HQ requested payment of $46.00 from Branches and forwarded the full amount to the MED.

The NZART HQ cost of processing a manual payment are similar to those of the MED and, therefore, NZART Council decided to introduce the same $5.11 surcharge per licence for all Licence Fee payments made via NZART HQ.

The following Branches (and Affiliates) will benefit from the licence transfer:

03 Western Suburbs

05 Christchurch

08 Eastern Southland

22 Marlborough

23 Marton

24 Motueka

26 Nelson

28 Whangarei

33 Rotorua

34 South Canterbury

35 South Otago

37 Southland

38 Taumarunui

42 Titahi Bay

46 Wairarapa

48 Wanganui

49 Westland

51 Eastern Bay of Plenty

55 Waitomo

56 Christchurch West

60 Taupo

61 Central Otago

64 North Otago

66 Auckland VHF

67 Kawerau

68 North Canterbury

78 Far North

82 Southern Wairarapa

84 Bay of Islands

85 Mercury Bay

86 Suburban

87 South Taranaki

Auckland AREC

CARDS

Branches wishing to avoid paying the $5.11 surcharge for each licence need to arrange transfer of their licences from NZART to the Branch. To start the licence transfer process, please send an email to FMTAG to receive an information pack: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

NZART Council has confirmed that the revised policy does not apply to National System or International Beacon Licences.

PROPOSALS

None this time

FINAL RECOMMENDATION TO NZART COUNCIL

NZART Council, at its 1st of May meeting, approved the following Final Recommendation, which can now proceed to licensing.

Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for an APRS Digipeater at Kaiwharawhara Hill, located at TOPO50 BQ31 494.93 316.03. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz in accordance with the band plan. An engineering investigation, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

The current status of Applications can be viewed on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/fmtag-apps-being-processed/

European Football Championship 2012 on the AIR"

…. is an on-the-air activity which promises to be a great deal of fun, organized by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs affiliated with PZK and UARL.
>From June 1 to July 5 2012, there will be numerous special event stations active on the air. They will be operating concurrently with the 2012 European Football Championship, which this year is organized jointly by Poland and Ukraine.

More detailed information about our activity can be found on our website http://efc2012.pzk.org..pl

We welcome you and look forward to seeing you on all the amateur bands from June 1 to July 5, 2012. There are two awards which can be earned during this period, as well as many interesting QSL cards and prizes.

On behalf of the entire team EFC2012 on the Air

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SQ2RH

www.sq2rh.it2.pl

12th USA ARDF Championships

Registrations are now being accepted for the Twelfth USA ARDF Championships, which will take place in the forests near Mt. Laguna Village, about 45 miles east of San Diego, California.

Activities will get under way on Wednesday and Thursday, May 30 - 31, when an optional two-day "training camp" will take place. The official championships opening will take place on Friday, June 1 with practice and equipment testing sessions. The two-meter contest will take place on Saturday, June 2, after which all will gather for a banquet in the evening. Sunday's schedule includes the 80-meter contest and an awards ceremony, timed to end in mid-afternoon to accommodate those who must hurry home.

The official event Web page at www.homingin.com has the registration form. It is important for participants to register right away. The organizers need an accurate head count and assurances that there will be sufficient attendees. It's also important to make reservations now if you want to stay at the event headquarters, which is Laguna Mountain Lodge. (Nearby camping is also available.)

Transportation and lodging information is on the event Web page, as well as the daily schedule, competition rules, transmitter and map information. For questions and regular updates, you can subscribe to a group mailing list for participants and others interested in these championships.

We look forward to seeing you at the USA Championships!

Joe Moell K0OV
USA ARDF Coordinator
www.homingin.com
k0ov@homingin.com

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the May/June 2012 issue
of Break-In-closes on 10 May 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 May 2012 for
articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted
DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to
e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
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6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
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Thursday 17th May.

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670. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1812 - May 4 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-04 09:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120504090004.05B4933C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3187
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1812 - May 4 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1812 with a release date of May 4th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Antenna restrictions get worse in Belgium; A new whistling intruder is heard on 40 meters; U-K telecommunications regulator Ofcom issues new rules to prevent radio interference to the 2012 Olympics and Nebraska hams are lauded for their severe weather watch operations. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1812 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO LAW: ANTENNA RESTRICTIONS IN BELGIUM GET TIGHTER

If you think it's hard to put up an antenna in some locations here in the USA its nothing in comparison to what's happening in Belgium. That's where antenna restrictions have gotten even tighter than before and its happening with the government blessings. In fact, the rules are so stringent that it could force some hams off the air. Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reports:

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The Belgian national amateur radio society's website has posted an update on the restrictive antenna requirements recently imposed by the Flemish Government. The registration seems to apply to antennas that operate between 10 MHz through 10 Gigahertz, the amount of time a ham is actually transmitting and the power output of his or her station.

Going by the latest information, it would appear that Flemish amateurs who transmit less than 175 hours a year at 20 watts Effective Radiated Power or less, are required to submit forms to the government for each antenna they have. Multi-band antennas require multiple submissions of forms.

For instance, a tri-band Yagi antenna for 20, 15 and 10 meters requires three separate submissions. And if any changes to an antenna is made, all of the paperwork must be resubmitted.

But wait. It gets worse. If transmission are made from an antenna for more than 175 hours a year or with an Effective Radiated Power greater than 20 watts then it appears the bureaucracy involved is even more complex. You can find out just how bad it is at

tinyurl.com/NoticeForTxAntennas.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reporting from Jonesboro, Arkansas,

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According to what we are hearing, the Belgian national amateur radio society's known as the UBA has been attempting to get these strict antenna rules modified, but to date with little to no success. (Southgate, UBA Website)

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RADIO LAW: FCC ACCUSES REPEATER THAT'S BEEN OFF THE AIR OVER A DECADE OF INTERFERENCE TO NEW RADAR SYSTEM

How can a repeater that's been off the air more than a decade and a half be creating interference to an aircraft radar tracking system that may not even be on the air yet? That's what a lot of hams want to know after educator Gordon West, WB6NOA, showed and partially read a warning letter on the Tuesday, May 1st edition of the netcast Ham Nation. A letter that he received from the FCC and one that appears to accuse him of operating a repeater on the 23 centimeter band that's causing interference to a radar system that the FCC won't even talk about. Here's what West had to say as he presented his warning letter to the thousands worldwide that were watching Ham Nation:

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WB6NOA on Ham Nation: "...I always enjoy it when it say Certified Mail. Federal Communications Commission, Enforcement Bureau. And here it's a Warning Notice from the Commission that went to a slew of Southern California Repeater operators who own 1.2 GHz repeaters and I haven't had my 1200 MHz repeater on the air for fifteen years, yet they say that I operate on the air on 1.2 GHz and I'm interfering with the FAA radar.
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We asked West why he thinks he received this letter regarding a repeater that's been off the air for years:

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WB6NOA To Newsline: "The Warning Notice Federal Communications Commission Enforcement Bureau, Western Region, L.A. District Office, out of Cerritos (California) begins: `Warning Notice. You are receiving this warning notice because you operate an Amateur Radio Service repeater in the 23 centimeter band in the Los Angeles California county area. This office has received information that amateur radio repeaters have been causing harmful interference to Federal Aviation Administration operations in the 23 centimeter band at San Pedro, California.'

"The remaining paragraphs go on to scare the living daylights out of you that any further operation could create some real problems for both the FAA as well as the offending operator.

"Interesting though is that this letter went to many of us who at one time may have had a repeater, but the coordination is closed and the repeater has been off the air for me up to fifteen years yet we are still getting this notice an a pretty strong letter to come right out of nowhere indicating that we have been potentially interfering with the radar."

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So what is it that the FCC says hams are interfering with? In reality, nobody but the government really knows for sure.

According to one report attributed to the ARRL, the Federal Aviation Administration is deploying a new generation of Common Air Route Surveillance Radar that operates in the 1240 to 1300 MHz of the 23 centimeter band. The Amateur Service allocation in this band is on a secondary basis, with aeronautical radionavigation and several other services primary in the United States Table of Frequency Allocations.

The FCC rules require that amateur stations operating in the 23 cm band may not cause harmful interference to stations in the Radionavigation-Satellite Service, the Aeronautical Radionavigation Service, the Earth Exploration Satellite Service or the space research service. Nobody is arguing with that. What is questionable are letters being sent to hams telling them that they are the source of interference to this new radar system even if they or their repeaters have not been on 23 centimeters in years.

If you are a repeater owner or 23 centimeter operator anywhere in the United States and have received a letter similar to that described by Gordon West, then we ask you to send us a copy along with any reply that you sent to the FCC. Our mailing address and e-mail will be presented at the end of this week's newscast. We promise to bring you a follow-up in a future Amateur Radio Newsline report.

Note: You can see and hear WB6NOA describe the FCC Warning Notice he received on Ham Nation episode #46 which can be viewed or downloaded at twit.tv/hn (ARNewsline(tm))

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INTRUDER WATCH: WHISTLING SIGNAL FOUND ON 40 METER BAND

Alex Cete, OZ9AEC, in Ribe, Denmark, says that has found a strange whistling signal in the 40 meter band. It sounds like this:

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Audio of whistling signal.

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The strange whistle-like signal was received on 7.013 MHz using GQRX software defined radio receiver and a Funcube Dongle equipped with a shortwave converter. The signal appears to be amplitude modulated with suppressed lower side band.

Amateurs who have heard it are uncertain of its origin, but some suspect it might be from an ionosonde. Others speculate that it could be a new form of digital numbers station. (Southgate)

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2012 OLYMPICS: UK REGULATOR OFCOM ISSUES PROPOSED ANTI-INTERFERENCE RULES FOR 2012 OLYMPIC GAME VENUES

UK Telecommunications regulator Ofcom have issued a notice dealing with proposed regulations that will enable prompt enforcement action for interference cases that affect the 2012 Olympics. One that affects every citizen that operates two way radio gear or even unintentional radiators.

The Proposed Regulations set out a requirement that applies to apparatus in relation to a Games' "event zone." Where the use of a given apparatus does not meet requirements of causing zero interference to communications within an Olympic venue Ofcom may serve on the person in possession of the apparatus a notice prohibiting its use. Breach of such a notice would be considered to be a criminal offence. The draft regulations designate 25 to 35 km radius around all major venues across the UK, including football stadiums, where enhanced enforcement could apply.

The announcement follows last week's Ofcom announcement of restrictions to the 70cm, 2.3 and 3.4GHz amateur bands. The new proposal would apply to anyone, ham or non-ham, within the range of the Olympic venues. (RSGB, others)

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2012 OLYMPICS: RSGB SAYS GAMES A GOOD WAY TO PUBLICIZE HAM RADIO

Meantime, the Radio Society of Great Britain calls the upcoming Olympics a great chance for ham radio to show its colors. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, has that part of the story from Nottingham in the U-K:

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The London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games provide an outstanding opportunity to publicize amateur radio. To that end, the RSGB negotiated a very limited number of special prefixes starting with 2 Oscar One Two followed by a single letter suffix.

The idea is for these calls are given an extensive airing over the Olympic period this summer. Special stations are already planned for London, 2O12L, and Wales, 2O12W, and there will be a special callsign for the National Radio Centre.

Groups in Scotland and Northern Ireland are encouraged to take advantage of the special callsign secured for their region.

I'm Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.

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If you are a ham radio group in Scotland or Northern Ireland and are hearing this newscast, you can apply for use of one of the special Olympic call signs by contacting Bob Whelen by e-mail to G3PJT (at) btinternet (dot) com. (GB2RS)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W5TXR repeater serving Schertz Texas.

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO POLITICS: SEN. GRASSLEY LIFTS HOLD ON FCC COMMISSION LICENSEES

The FCC may soon get two new commissioners and be back up to its full complement of five members. This following an announcement by Senator Chuck Grassley of Iowa, that he is lifting his hold on the two nominees, Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Pai.

Grassley has been seeking documentation from the commission on an issue unrelated to the nominees. He specifically wanted to know about about interference concerns to the Global Positioning System from the proposed LightSquared wireless broadband project.

While the documents he's obtained so far raise more questions for him, Grassley said in a statement he intends to lift the hold on the two FCC nominees, but also continue his investigation into both the FCC and Lightsquared.

If confirmed, Rosenworcel would take the seat of former Commissioner Michael Copps who resigned in December, while Ajit would replace former Commissioner Meredith Baker. Baker left the agency in May 2011 to join Comcast. (RW)

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RESCUE RADIO: NEBRASKA HAMS LAUDED FOR SKYWARN SEVERE WEATHER WATCH

When normal communications systems in Nebraska were taken off line by a recent spate severe storms and tornadoes, local officials had no way of calling of getting damage assessment. That's where ham radio operators came to the rescue as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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Tom Reis is a Skywarn coordinator for the National Weather Service. He says that radio amateurs in Nebraska are a valuable asset who can get out messages that help save lives.

In a interview with the Atlantic, Reis said that the National Weather Service recognizes the importance of accurate ground information. He says that there are a variety of methods to get that information to them and that one of those is via amateur radio.

According to the NWS, ham radio operators can confirm sightings of severe weather as it approaches and offer damage assessment after the storm passes. This while at the same time providing communications support to local officials.

Reis says that this shows how amateur radio operators provide a service for their community in a variety of different ways. He also notes that it doesn't take much to become an amateur radio operator and people of all ages enjoy the hobby.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, where we have mostly dust storms in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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It should be noted that there is a big difference between trained radio amateurs in the SKYWARN program and the so-called storm chasers that we have been hearing so much about in newscasts and reality TV shows these days. Unlike storm chasers who make a living photographing severe weather incidents or are members of the general public who are simply out for a thrill, SKYWARN associated hams are educated weather observers. Their job is not to go racing after tornadoes as do storm chasers. Rather they are unpaid volunteer radio amateurs who keep their eyes and ears open for severe weather outbreaks. They then report what they see and hear via ham radio to the National Weather Service. The NWS takes this information and includes it into forecasts that invariably save lives. (Atlantic, ARNewsline)

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RESCUE RADIO: DOCUMENTARY TELLS STORY OF BROADCASTERS ROLE IN MISSOURI TORNADOES

A University of Alabama instructor has produced an award-winning, eight-minute documentary on the role of local television broadcasters in saving lives during the massive tornadoes that hit Tuscaloosa and Joplin, Missouri last year.

Chandra Clark, an instructor in the department of telecommunications and film, worked with director Scott Hodgson of the University of Oklahoma to make "Tornado Emergency: Saving Lives."

Clark said the inspiration for the documentary came as a response the Federal Communications Commission's proposal to sell off a large portion of the broadcast spectrum. Clark said the sales could limit some of the resources broadcasters have to reach the public.

The mini-documentary has already garnered a prestigious Telly Award. The film was also awarded a Best of Competition Award by the Broadcast Education Association's Festival of Media Arts. (TVB)

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RESCUE RADIO: UK RAYNET AND APCO-UK SIGN MOU

The United Kingdom's RAYNET group and British APCO have signed a Memorandum of Understanding. One that recognizes the common objectives of both organizations in the promotion and influencing of public safety, civil contingency, information management and communications

In the Memorandum of Understanding RAYNET and APCO set out a Schedule of Agreements which sets out some of the ways in which both organizations will work together. This includes networking opportunities and invitations to attend management meetings; website content sharing; joint working and sharing of publications; and engaging RAYNET in regional and national events.

RAYNET which is an acronym for the U-K based Radio Amateurs' Emergency Network is a national voluntary communications service provided for the community by licensed radio amateurs. It was formed in 1953 following Great Britain's East Coast floods, when radio amateurs provided much of the emergency communications. (RAYNET)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER UNLICENSED FLORIDA BROADCASTER FINED $20000

Another unlicensed broadcaster in Florida has been dinged $20,000 by the FCC. In a Forfeiture Order, the FCC has told Robens Cheriza to pay the fine for operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 107.3 MHz in the city of West Palm Beach.

Back on February 1st, the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $20,000 to Cheriza. Cheriza never filed a response to the proposed fine. So based on the information before it the forfeiture was affirmed with Cheriza given the customary 30 days to pay up or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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HAM RADIO ON THE NET: RFINDER FOR APPLE PORTABLE PRODUCTS RELEASED

W2CYK has announced the latest platform release of RFinder -The World Wide Repeater Directory. The new version is designed for Apple iPhone, iPad and iPod users and is available for immediate download from the Apple App Store.

Previous versions of RFinder run on Android based gear and can be found on-line at web.rfinder.net. The World Wide Repeater Directory is also accessible from RT Systems radio programmers and via CHIRP on Windows, Linux and Macintosh with the same user/password you use on handheld

devices. (W2CYK)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N8CGM'S CHOIR TAKES 3RD PLACE IN SWEET ADELINES CONTEST

Some names in the news. Members of Susan Scott, N8CGM's chorus known as the Cincinnati Sound now wear 3d place overall medals. This from the recent Region 4 Sweet Adelines contest held at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center. The quartets competed on Fri April 19th and the choirs on Saturday the 20th. (OH-KY-IN A.R.S)

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MAMES IN THE NEWS: F6HBR FIRST FRENCH HAM TO BE ISSUED A THAI LICENSE

Meantime, Alain Burgnon, F6HBR, appears to be the first French radio amateur to be granted a Thailand license.

Burgnon has been living in Thailand since 2006. After seven years of negotiations between France and Thailand, a reciprocal agreement was signed in December 2011. As a result, F6HBR was granted the call HS0ZKG on April 25th.

A second French ham is living in Thailand - Gerald Begards, F8DEG. He is expected to be the second French ham that will be granted a Thai call. (F5NQL)

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HAMVENTION NEWS: TECH LICENSE CLASS AND TESTING AT HAMVENTION 2012

A Technician level Ham Radio Class will be held concurrent with the Dayton Hamvention on Saturday, May 19th.

The session runs from 9AM until 4PM Eastern Daylight Time and will be held at the Hara Arena Hamvention venue. Immediately following the conclusion of the class a team of Volunteer Examiners will be on-hand to administer the Technician class exam.

You do need to pre-register for the class and yes, there is homework. Info on what's in the class and how to enroll can be found at tinyurl.com/hamvention-license-class.

The class will be again sponsored by Mitch Stern, W1SJ. If you have any questions please contact him at w1sj (at) art (dot) net. (W1SJ)

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HAMVENTION NEWS: WEAK SIGNAL DINNER AT HAMVENTION 2012

And Weak Signal VHF, UHF and Microwave enthusiasts are invited to attend the 17th VHF Weak Signal Group banquet. This annual event will be held concurrent with the Dayton Hamvention on Friday evening May 18th, at the Dayton Grand Hotel in Dayton, Ohio. The evenings featured

speaker will be Dick Hanson, K5AND, and his presentation on the 2011 PJ6D Six Meter DXpedition to Saba Island. Cost is for the banquet is $35 per person and advance reservations are required. Prepaid reservation requests should be sent to Tony Emanuele WA8RJF, 7156 Kory Court, Concord Township, Ohio 44077. For more information you can e-mail Tony to WA8RJF (at) ARRL (dot) net. (WA8RJF)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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ELECTRONIC THEFT: CALIFORNIA COPPER THIEVES EXPAND TO FIBER OPTICS

Copper thieves in California have expanded to stealing glass as well. In this case we are talking about glass as in fiber optic cable. In one case some AT&T customers in the city of Alpine experienced disruptions in phone and Internet service after thieves stole copper and fiber optic wiring from underground lines.

According to Sgt. Joseph Passalacqua, the thieves took about 75 feet of 600 strand fiber optic cable along with the copper wiring. To accomplish this the robbers climbed into a manhole and cut into the underground pipes. An AT&T spokesperson said that three conduits carrying fiber optic or copper cables were damaged and that the vandalism affected some cellphone users as well.

Sergant Passalacqua said that Internet service was down at both the sheriff's Alpine and Pine Valley substations, but that public safety was not affected.

The theft of copper wiring and other metals like bronze and aluminum has proliferated over the years. Thieves commonly steal the precious metals in order to sell it to recyclers. However the theft of fiber optic lines is something new and could signal a developing market for this kind of product. (Published news reports)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: 5 MHZ PROPAGATION STUDY RELEASED IN UK

A paper entitled Comparison of Propagation Predictions and Measurements for Mid-Latitude HF Near-Vertical Incidence Sky Wave Links at 5 MHz has just been published in the peer-reviewed, academic journal, Radio Science. Authored by Dr. Marcus Walden, G0IJZ, the paper compares near-vertical incidence skywave or NVIS measurements from the U-K 5 MHz

beacon network with High Frequency propagation predictions using VOACAP and ASAPS software. Further information, including a link to the paper, can be found at tinyurl.com/7ahx8vt. (GB2RS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT PUTS OUT FIRST CALL FOR SYMPOSIUM PAPERS

AMSAT has put out a first call for papers to be presented at the 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium to be held in Orlando, Florida.

Proposals for papers, presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community. Abstracts and papers including a tentative title should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, by e-mail n8fgv (at) amsat (dot) org.

The 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium takes place the weekend of October 26th to the 28th at the Holiday Inn, Orlando Airport Hotel. (AMSAT, N8FGV)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: DELFI C3 DO-64 CELEBRATES 4 YEARS IN SPACE

The Delfi-C3, DO-64 satellite has celebrated 4 years on-orbit. The 3-unit CubeSat, developed by the Technical University of Delft in the Netherlands was launched on April 28, 2008. The nanosatellite has since performed technology demonstration experiments for the space industry in the Netherlands. It still transmits its telemetry and measurement data which can be received using simple amateur radio equipment and using the RASCAL software. An in-depth article on the tiny bird is on-line in Google translated English at tinyurl.com/Delfi-C3-4th-Anniversary. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE NEW CUBESAT LAUNCHER DEVELOPED AT NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

The Space Systems Academic Group at the US Naval Postgraduate School has developed the NPSCubeSat Launcher or NPSCuL.

NPSCuL is described as an auxiliary payload platform. It is designed to allow multiple CubeSats to be launched aboard rockets as secondary payloads. This means that the launch rocket would be able to carry satellites in onboard space that would otherwise be unused.

NPSCuL can accommodate up to 24 CubeSats in a single Secondary Payload Adapter. On reaching the desired orbit spring-loaded doors will release the satellites one-by-one.

A first flight is planned for August 2012 which will carry 11 CubeSats. (ANS)

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RADIO SPORTS: ARRL CREATES NEW VHF - UHF CONTESTS

In radiosports news, the ARRL Programs and Services Committee have approved a rule change for ARRL VHF+ contests effective beginning in 2013.

One of the most controversial changes is the creation of a Single-Op FM-only category. Here, operators will be limited to 100 Watts maximum output in the FM mode on the 50, 144, 222 and 440 MHz bands. Exact rules have not been announced so it's not yet known if the contest will have restricted frequencies or if it will be a free, anything goes competition.

Also created by the committee is a new Single-Operator category for stations permitted up to 100 Watts PEP on 50 and 144 MHz, 50 Watts PEP on 432 MHz. This for the more traditional contesting modes.

These changes will apply to the January, June, and September contests -again, beginning with the 2013 January VHF Sweepstakes. It should be noted that past attempts to create FM only contests have not succeeded. This is believed primarily because both the use of repeaters and of national calling channels where all the FM action is, have been declared off-limits. (VHF Reflector, ARRL)

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DX

In DX, ZS6JR and ZS6DJD should be operating from Mozambique for seven to ten days starting on the 3th or 4th of May. Operations will take place next to a small lake 400 km north of the capital using vertical antennas and a Hex Beam on 40 through 10 meters. Callsigns have not been announced. QSL as directed on the air.

An international team of operators will be active as 7-Oh-6-T from Socotra Island through May 17th. They plan to have six stations on the air at any given time. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via UA3DX.

A group of operators from Japan will be operational from the Maldives between May 11th and the 16th. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via their home callsigns, either direct or via the bureau.

E51WL in the North Cook Islands has been heard on 6 meters. Keep an ear open for him just before 2300 UTC on or around 50.120 MHz. QSL as directed on the air

Members of the Crimean Contest Radio Club will be active from the Ukrane as EM67J through May 15th. Their operation is to commemorate the 67th anniversary of the "Victory in the Great Patriotic War." QSL's via K2PF. And less we forget, electronic logbooks will be upload to Logbook To The World in late May or early June.

Lastly, DL4HG and DL5XAT will be on the air as 9H3OG and 9H3TX, respectively, from Malta's Gozo Island between November 21st and the 26th. Their operation will include the CQ WW DX CW Contest on November 24th and 25th using the callsign 9H3TX. QSL 9H3OG via DL4HG and 9H3TX via DL5XAT.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: FAA MAY LOOK AGAIN AT BANNED RF DEVICES ON PLANES

And finally this week, using your laptop, iPad or Kindle during a commercial U-S flight might become a reality in the not to distant future. This with word that the Federal Aviation Administration may be willing to take a second look at it's policy on electronics usage aboard airplanes. Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, reports:

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While some airlines permit very limited use of wireless devices one an aircraft is at altitude, actual availability is quite limited. But according to a recent report credited to columnist Nick Bilton and the New York times, the FAA has decided to take a updated look at the use of personal electronics on planes.

The report continues by quoting FAA spokesperson Laura Brown. She told the press that with the advent of new and evolving electronic technology, and because the airlines have not conducted the testing necessary to approve the use of new devices, the FAA may be taking a fresh look at the use of personal electronic devices, other than cell phones, on aircraft.

Currently, airline passengers must turn off any electronic device that can transmit or receive a radio signal that cannot be disabled. While, the FAA indicates that it is open to testing new devices, it will more than likely be a long road before any substantive changes take place. This is because every airline giving thought to allow such operations would first have to test one of each version of a device on each of model of every aircraft in its fleet.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU.

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Whatever happens, the FAA has already been quoted as saying that it will not budge on its policy of not permitting use of mobile phones during a flight. And don't even consider trying to use a ham radio H-T on a commercial airliner. Even if that one were lifted by the FAA the domestic U-S airlines would likely keep a ban in place on the use of ham gear and other two way radios on board their flights. (Tech Trends)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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671. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 4 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-04 11:08:32 UTC
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UK Propagation charts for May 2012

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Steve G0KYA has now published his propagation prediction charts from the UK
for May, June and July 2012

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K2BSA/5 at National Scouting Museum

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museum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

K2BSA/5 will be active on HF and the amateur radio satellites from the
National Scouting Museum, Texas, on Saturday, May 5

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IOMARS Emergency Communication

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The next meeting of the IOMARS (Isle of Man Amateur Radio Society) takes
place on Tuesday 8th May at 7.30pm in the Sea Cadet Hall (TS Manxman)
Tromode Road, Douglas. The topic will be EMERGENCY COMUNICATION and RAYNET
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90 year-old Radio Ham gets Masters Degree

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Radio amateur Bert Gladwin G3FVO, a former MI6 electronics engineer, has become the UK’s oldest new graduate at the age of 90, after graduating with a Masters degree from the University of Buckingham

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CQMM DX Contest Log Deadline - May 31

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A reminder that the log submission deadline for the CQMM DX Contest (held on April, 21-22) is May, 31

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Meteor Shower and Super Moon

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Earth is entering a stream of debris from Halley's Comet, source of the annual eta Aquarid meteor shower. The shower peaks this weekend on May 5th and 6th

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast

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The NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-19 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday May 04, 2012

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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A milestone for the ILLW scored in the USA

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"On one video, Randy is interviewed by Kirk Harnack of This Week in Radio Tech, as seen on TWiT.tv"

Very apt!

673. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 4 May 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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K7AGE goes to Las Vegas

Posted: 04 May 2012 03:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344862-K7AGE-goes-to-Las-Vegas&goto=newpost

K7AGE goes to Las Vegas

Randy, K7AGE, attended the National Association of Broadcasters convention in Las Vegas during the third week in April.

While there Randy produced three new videos.

The first video is Randy interviewed by Kirk Harnack of This Week in Radio Tech, as seen on TWiT.tv. Kirk and Randy talk about their first meeting, ham radio and computer networking.

The second video is from the Ham Radio Reception hosted by Heil Sound. The reception draws 700-800 hams from the convention for a time to relax, have a drink, and hope to win one of the $18,000 worth of raffle prizes.

The last video, Randy explains his day job and looks at the Miranda booth at NAB

These videos, and more, are located at

http://www.youtube.com/user/K7AGE

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A milestone for the ILLW scored in the USA

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The Stick Style lighthouse is an early Victorian architectural method characterised by its gabled roofs, horizontal siding, decorative cross beams and hand carved porch railings. A decade ago the lighthouse was restored.

The entry by the West Side Amateur Radio Club put the USA on 28 registrations, behind Australia with 38 and Germany 33, followed by England 16, and The Netherlands on 13 with the total countries so far involved nearing 30.

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend in a fun event. It will be held for the 15th time on August the 18th and 19th. Check it out and register for the weekend by visiting the website ILLW.NET

Jim Linton VK3PC

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QRZDroid now available for Kindle Fire

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344798-QRZDroid-now-available-for-Kindle-Fire&goto=newpost

Great news!

QRZ has just learned that the new android app, QRZDroid has been approved for download on the Amazon App Store and is good to go on the Kindle Fire.

Jaime Jeffries

General Manager, QRZ

674. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 4 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-04 16:33:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <001636ed74fa88b4ca04bf387b93@google.com>
Source record: 3191
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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6O0CW Somalia

Posted: 04 May 2012 07:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344878-6O0CW-Somalia&goto=newpost

Members of Italian DX Pedition Team will be active from Somalia 7-18 May
2012 as 6O0CW

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/6o0cw_somalia/

73 Al 4L5A

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F.R.A 2m FM Contest 2012- Puerto Rico

Posted: 03 May 2012 06:24 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344821-F-R-A-2m-FM-Contest-2012-Puerto-Rico&goto=newpost

F.R.A 2m FM Contest 2012

Federación de Radioaficionados de Puerto Rico (FRA) invites you to join us
in the "2 Meters FM Contest 2012" on May 12, 2012 at 0:00 UTC thru 23:59
(UTC). Local time Puerto Rico is from Friday, May 11, 2012 (8:00pm) thru
May 12, 2012 (7:59). We'll be using simplex frequencies. Check at our
website for contest rules and logbook:

http://www.frapr.org/actividades.htm

PDF DOCUMENT: http://www.frapr.org/2011/promos/Reglas_logbook_2M.pdf

675. eHam.net News for Friday 4 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-04 22:04:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba179c51b3204bf3d1ab7@google.com>
Source record: 3192
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Results Announced For The John Moyle Memorial National Field Day 2012:

Posted: 03 May 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28209

This year's entries came from every Australian mainland call areas, as well as from Tasmania and New Zealand. The total number of logs submitted was 140. This was an increase from the 129 logs received last year. It was good to see several ZL stations take part this year, and three stations submitted their log. Well done to all who took part. I have included in the results all of the logs that I received and if any are missing, they are completely lost. I can only offer my apologies to anyone so affected. I am sorry if your log is missing, but it did not get it to me despite my most careful procedures and cross checking.

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ACMA Undertakes Major Regulatory Action in Adelaide:

Posted: 03 May 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28208

The ACMA confirmed today that a major compliance action was undertaken in Adelaide in the past week. Reports in the Adelaide Advertiser suggesting that Ham Operators were involved have been denied by the ACMA. Monitoring of the radio spectrum from ACMA infrastructure in Adelaide confirmed that a number of users (Pirates) were active on frequencies licensed to other parties. Intelligence gathered through this monitoring indicated that these individuals possessed equipment programmed with numerous frequencies. Enquiries made by the ACMA found that these users did not hold ACMA licences for these frequencies. The radios operated by the individuals involved in this matter had been programmed with a number of frequencies which were licensed to various organisations. The ACMA received a report of substantial interference from a licensee although the extent of the disruption to their communications is not known.

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Amateur Radio Operators Play Big Role in Tracking Storms, Tornadoes:

Posted: 03 May 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28207

When the tornadoes in April 2011 were ripping across the landscape of Northeast Tennessee, real-time information was being relayed to the

National Weather Service, which then gave emergency warnings to residents in the storm's path. Much of that real-time information came from amateur radio operators, said Charlie Stuchell, a professional radio reporter as well as an amateur radio operator. On Saturday, there's an opportunity for anyone interested in the hobby to obtain their entry-level FCC amateur radio license. Stuchell, a member of the Carter County Amateur Radio Club, said the organization will host an eight-hour class and participants will take a 35-question test to become certified. "So many people are concerned about emergency communications and being prepared if we have a tornado like we did last year," Stuchell said. "We were talking to people in Greene County" who gave real-time information pinpointing what areas were getting hit, he said. Stuchell said there are two amateur radio organizations -- SKYWARN, a storm spotter program through the National Weather Service, and the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, a statewide program operated by the Amateur Radio Relay League. "SKYWARN plots the storm that's coming and they get that information from amateur radio operators called spotters," he said.

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High-Performance HF Transceiver Design:

Posted: 03 May 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28206

High-end ham equipment reaches new levels of performance using state-of-the-art technology and design tricks: The article that appeared in this magazine and in EDN last year about ham radio in the 21st century generated a lot of interest and a lot of questions about various aspects of the hobby. This article grew out of that interest, but is not strictly about ham radio. It is about the design tradeoffs that engineers make every day in designing all kinds of electronic equipment. HF transceivers are used as an illustrative example.

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Steve Handler, N9ABC Publishes Two Books in 2012:

Posted: 03 May 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28205

Amateur Radio Operator Steve Handler, N9ABC has announced that two of his books have been published in 2012.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #18:

Posted: 02 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28204

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, ZS6DJD, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28203

This Week in Radiosport:

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7O6T Yemen DXpedition Now Underway:

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28202

The Daily DX is reporting that the 7O6T Yemen DXpedition began at 2100 UTC Monday, April 30 and will continue through 2100 UTC May 15. Yemen currently sits at #5 on DX Magazine's most wanted list, behind North Korea, Navassa, Bouvet and Heard Island. The ARRL DXCC Desk will review the 7O6T DXpedition's documentation before granting approval for the operation to count for DXCC credit.

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Logbook of The World Marks 50,000 Users:

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28201

On May 1, Dragan Pavlovic, YT3PDT, completed his registration process for Logbook of The World (LoTW), becoming the 50,000th person to take advantage of the ARRL's online QSL confirmation system. According to ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, there are more than 3500 individuals from outside the US in the process of obtaining a digital certificate, and more than 1800 individuals inside the US who have started the certificate process, but not yet finished.

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Register Now for the USA ARDF Championships in Southern California:

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28200

The biggest event of the year is coming soon for fans of on-foot hidden transmitter hunting, also called foxtailing, radio-orienteering and Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF). Beginners and experts will gather in the mountains east of San Diego for the 12th Annual USA ARDF championships during the week and the weekend after Memorial Day. There they will test their abilities, refine their equipment and learn the best techniques from one another. Some will take home medals.

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ARRL in Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28199

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of April -- takes a look at an FCC request for comments in a Congressional study, new radar systems in the 1240-1300 MHz (23 cm) band, updated rules for ARRL volunteer card checkers, forthcoming ARRL publications, happenings at W1AW, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more.

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28198

New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

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ARNewsline Report 1812 -- May 4 2012:

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28197

The following is a Q-S-T. Antenna restrictions get worse in Belgium; A new whistling intruder is heard on 40 meters; U-K telecommunications regulator Ofcom issues new rules to prevent radio interference to the 2012 Olympics and Nebraska hams are lauded for their severe weather watch operations. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1812 coming your way right now.

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NZ4O Condensed HF RX Prop Fcst #2012-19:

Posted: 03 May 2012 04:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28195

NZ4O Condensed HF RX Prop Fcst #2012-19:

676. TeH k00Ks leik me, tehy reely leik me !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 00:49:39 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mary.morgoon@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <249eb9d1-ce7f-47cc-8ac0-4c2766618632@o3g2000pby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3193
Cross-posted to:
comp.os.os2.advocacy,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

BTW, shit is suppoeised to steink; we shitmen leik taht steink!

677. Re: TeH k00Ks leik me, tehy reely leik me !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 02:45:05 UTC
From: Fred Hall <fkhall@databasix.com>
Message-ID: <jo23h2$a8l$1@blackhelicopter.databasix.com>
Source record: 3194
Cross-posted to:
comp.os.os2.advocacy,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 4 May 2012 17:49:39 -0700 (PDT), kb9rqz
<mary.morgoon@gmail.com> wrote in
<249eb9d1-ce7f-47cc-8ac0-4c2766618632@o3g2000pby.googlegroups.com>:

>BTW, shit is suppoeised to steink; we shitmen leik taht steink!

Campaign speech noted and giggled at.

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http://blackhelicopternews.blogspot.com/

http://blackhelicopternews.blogspot.com/p/award-winners-1994-2012.html

http://fnvw.databasix.com (awards descriptions and more)

678. HOT SEX BED ROOM VIDEOS AND 200 BEST ACTRESSES PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 05:27:45 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <64e91a13-470a-4856-8c55-c5376dda5ac1@w6g2000pbp.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3195

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

679. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 5 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 11:11:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93403ef70e44004bf4817e7@google.com>
Source record: 3196
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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The Future of the RSGB - Dr Bob Whelan at CARS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5PZ1Clvp3qU/the_future_of_the_rsgb.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dr Bob Whelan G3PJT has been an RSGB member for over 50 years, and as
Chairman, has strong views on the RSGB’s future and the challenges it faces
in the 21st century

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New Ofcom regulations for the Olympic Games

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Xkb3Iu5iNIw/new_ofcom_regulations_for_the_olympic_games.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom have issued a consultation on regulations that will enable prompt
enforcement action for interference cases that affect the Olympics

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Norwich Free Academy Ham Radio Club Robot

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OzRW816P4M8/norwich_free_academy_ham_radio_club_robot.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Students at the Norwich Free Academy featured in a TV report about their
amateur radio club's success in building a robot

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High-performance HF transceiver design

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/t2ZfZYNaaEw/high_performance_hf_transceiver_design.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The free fortnightly magazine EDN (Electronic Design News) features an
article about amateur radio high-performance HF transceiver design

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Portable QRP Amateur Radio video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/afeL-h_VKrM/portable_qrp_amateur_radio_

video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Charlie Davey M0PZT frequently operates portable and has just produced a
video showing the QRP equipment he uses

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Emergency Services Amateur Radio DX Group net

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BkD1t5acC1c/emergency_services_amateur_
radio_dx_group_net.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At the end of last year, the Emergency Services Amateur Radio DX Group was
born on Facebook. The idea was that serving and retired members of any of
the Emergency Services could meet through the Group to discuss their common
interest in amateur radio

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GEO Group to visit Surrey Satellite Technology Limited

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bvXqvGfJeBw/geo_group_to_visit_surrey_s
atellite_technology_limited.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GEO members have been invited to have a guided tour of the new facilities
at Surrey Satellite Technology Ltd (SSTL) on Friday, June 8

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PPL3rk9he2c/may_05.htm?utm_source=feedb
urner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers declined 38 points to 106.7 this week, and
average daily solar flux declined nearly 18 points to 116.2

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1st ARLA Pedestrian Mobile Radio Raid

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ILHM1pTSpR8/pedestrian_mobile_radio_rai
d.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 1st ARLA Pedestrian Mobile Radio Raid will take place in Portugal
today, Saturday, May the 5th, 2012 from 09:00 UTC until... whenever they
finish a 15 Km hard walk along the coastline

680. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 5 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 16:14:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c734ea58b04bf4c532c@google.com>
Source record: 3197
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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BSA Morse Code Interpreter Strip

Posted: 04 May 2012 09:23 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344896-BSA-Morse-Code-Interpreter-Strip&goto=newpost

The Boy Scouts of America just announced a new "Interpreter Strip" for
Morse Code. An "Interpreter Strip" on the uniform means that the Scout or
adult leader is able to communicate in a particular language. The
requirements for the Morse Code strip closely follow the requirements for
other languages, such as francais, espanol, and Klingon. (Well, the
Klingon one is actually unofficial, but Morse Code is official.)

http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/201...-past-in-code/

This will be a good incentive for my Cub Scout to learn the code, since his
Cubmaster (me) will be wearing one!

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1812 May 4 2012

Posted: 03 May 2012 08:45 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344832-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1812--May-4-2012
&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1812 ☐ May 4 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1812 with a release date of May 4th,
2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Antenna restrictions get worse in Belgium; A new whistling intruder is heard on 40 meters; U-K telecommunications regulator Ofcom issues new rules to prevent radio interference to the 2012 Olympics and Nebraska hams are lauded for their severe weather watch operations. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1812 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO LAW: ANTENNA RESTRICTIONS IN BELGIUM GET TIGHTER

If you think it☐s hard to put up an antenna in some locations here in the USA its nothing in comparison to what☐s happening in Belgium. That☐s where

antenna restrictions have gotten even tighter than before and its happening with the government blessings. In fact, the rules are so stringent that it could force some hams off the air. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reports:

681. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 5 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 16:20:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399ccd56d14104bf4c6bfe@google.com>
Source record: 3198
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Display Day in Kyabram

Posted: 05 May 2012 05:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344985-Display-Day-in-Kyabram&goto=newpost

Display day in Kyabram

Layout

Date : 03/06/2012

Location : Kyabram community Church

corner of Crichton Road and McEwin Road Kyabram

Time : Setup from 10:30 - 12:00 am

Public : 12:30 am - 3:00 pm (12:30 hrs - 15:00 hrs)

Frequency HF 7.110 mhz

Frequency VHF 146.650 Mhz (-) offset

Mount Wombat (VK3RGV Node number 6992

The plan is to setup a dipole of 15 meter and 40 meter

on a centre feed for a on air radio also a 2 meter arial as well to
demonstrate

the 2 meter with repeater and IRLP capability I am hoping to get

stations to join us on the IRLP as well as on the 40 Meter

We will be showing the use of radio to the community at large and hoping
they embrace our hobby

I will also like to demonstrate the ease of making a 2 meter arial and a

40 Meter arial as well as giving people the chance to see some types of

transmitters that we use and if we can bring some of the locals who

wish to be involved on as a second operator

I would also like it if we could demonstrate that the use of cw is still
alive today

We will also be able to show how to get involved in radio

and give some information to the public to improve our visibility

in the public and also shocase our club to the area

Lets not miss a chance to keep radio alive and get more people to be able
to enjoy our

hobby of radio and let new and younger members enjoy communications

I would thank you for your support for our common interest and goal

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Activacion ligthhouse Celebracion PuertoRico Amateur Day

Posted: 04 May 2012 06:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344950-Activacion-ligthhouse-Celebracion-PuertoRico-Amateur-Day&goto=newpost

!!!EVENT
ESPECIAL!!!

Hi next 12 may 2012 The club PuertoRico Amateur Radio Team activacion
ligthhouse Punta Tuna PR0008

in memorian amateur radio day Puertorrican the work band is 6 meter 10
meter 15meter 17 meter 20 meter and 40 meter.

El Puerto Rico Amateur Radio Team WP4OLB (PRART) anuncia que estará
activando uno de los faros de PR.Rafael Ortiz, WP4ROS, nos dejo saber que
la activacion será el dia 12 de mayo para celebrar el dia del
Radioaficionado en PR. Nos dejo saber que van estar activos en las bandas
de 6, 10, 12, 15, 20 y 40 metros, usando el callsign WP4OLB. La proxima
activacion sera el proximo 18 y 19 de agosto 2012

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MARS Crossband Operations May 12, 2012

Posted: 04 May 2012 12:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344919-MARS-Crossband-Operations-May-12-2012&goto=newpost

ANNUAL CROSSBAND MILITARY/AMATEUR RADIO

COMMUNICATIONS TEST

The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard will conduct crossband
tests on May 12, 2012. This will give military and amateur radio operators
the ability to communicate with each other. Military stations will transmit
on military frequencies, and listen on amateur frequencies. During their
transmission, the military station will state what amateur radio frequency
it is receiving messages. The amateur radio operator will transmit replies
on that amateur radio frequency and listen for replies on the appropriate

military frequency.

The ex USS Yorktown (CV-!0) will be be on the air from 8 AM to 12PM EDT and will use the ship☐s callsign NWKJ. The dial frequencies USS Yorktown will be transmitting on are:

4010.0 khz LSB

7348.0 khz LSB

14467.0 khz USB

21758.5 khz USB

A complete listing of military stations participating, together with details on how to get QSL cards and certificates for copying the Secretary of Defense message can be obtain by going to the following website:

http//www.navymars.org/ and clicking on ☐broadcasts☐ then ☐Chief MARS Broadcasts☐ and reading reading the CHNAVMARCORMARS BCST AF DAY CROSSBAND TEST

(05A-12, 05B-12, 05C-12 & 05D-12)

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Malta DXpedition seeks members / tourists

Posted: 04 May 2012 07:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?344876-Malta-DXpedition-seeks-members-tourists&goto=newpost

Hello,

Last year I went on DXpedition to Malta with VRZA Dutch Holidays for 2 weeks, Its an experience

you don't want to miss. We had the permission of the hotelowner to install monoband antenna's up

on the roof for 80m to 10m band. Adrenaline kicks in when u just installed an antenna and you

push the powerbutton on the transceiver and you call CQ CQ this is 9H3JN and you get pileups

that just wont stop hi! Yes you can have your own 9H3 callsign!

Its not only hamradio. You also have the possibility to enjoy the island of Malta and his rich

culture's, beautifull churches, nice beaches, nice people and fun at karaoke bars hi.

And if you want to do something alone or go somewhere together is no problem at all, you're not

stuck together like a group.

For the Malta DXpedition for this year (the last year!) we are looking for participants /

tourists. Estimates for June 1st!

source: VRZA website.

For the last time we VRZA Holiday's will go to MALTA. Warm weather and a fully equipped shack

and nice excursions. VRZA Holiday's will make it happen. Do you also want to come along? Already

for the 25th time you can go to MALTA from 14 until 28 sept. or 24-Sept. until 8 oct. or the

entire period. We stay on half board in EURO CLUB hotel in Qawra. Request the registration form

and you'll be amazed at the price. Information only through malta@vrza.nl and everything is

arranged for you. But .... now for the first time this year we have an overlap of 4 days between

Sept. 24 and 28, for which we want to organize a fantastic party with all participants and

because of this the 25th anniversary. It is also intended that in addition to your own 9H3 call,

the requested special anniversary call 9H925 throughout the period can be used.

Some links about the previous VRZA Holiday DXpeditions:

Malta movie DXpedition 2011 http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZfYfDbfA5dc

Malta movie (in dutch) DXpedition 2000
http://www.ch73.net/player.php?id=20&ln=gb&table=1

Photos of Sjirk 9H3YM / PE1OFJ http://qsl.net/pd0cif/

Photos of Jasper 9H3JN / PB2JJ http://members.casema.nl/pb2jj/9h3jn/

Article (in dutch) by Frits 9H3FD / PA3FD
http://www.vrza.nl/downloads/cqpa/art1_200912.pdf

Website (in dutch) about the experiences of Arno 9H3WX / PA5W and Ans 9H3WY / PD5W

http://www.hamfamily.nl/malta2007/index.htm

Some pictures of the Malta DXpedition 2009
http://www.vrza.nl/info/malta2009-2.htm

73 de Jasper PB2JJ / 9H3JN

682. Re: <MMFC scatboi> Re: TeH k00Ks leik me, tehy reely leik me !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 17:39:52 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <f5bb0774-0ac1-4860-8820-ad8b6fb7b191@cl4g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3200
Cross-posted to:
comp.os.os2.advocacy,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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On May 5, 1:59 am, This account has been banned because it violated
the Google Groups Terms Of Use <laugh...@u.kook> wrote:
> On  Sat, 05 May 2012 02:45:05 GMT, Fred Hall <fkh...@databasix.com> wrote:
>
> > On Fri, 4 May 2012 17:49:39 -0700 (PDT), kb9rqz
> > <mary.morg...@gmail.com> wrote in
> > <249eb9d1-ce7f-47cc-8ac0-4c2766618...@o3g2000pby.googlegroups.com>:
>
> >>BTW, shit is suppoeised to steink; we shitmen leik taht steink!
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> > Campaign speech noted and giggled at.
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> There's more free entertainment yet to come from scatboi.
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> Greegor 'Rock Hard Stupid' Hanson wrote on April 30, 2001:
> "I am now a "founded" child abuser for making a 7 year old take
> a fast cold shower. (Not initial accusation, result of witchhunt)"
> Message-ID: <cu6H6.14493$3c6.3516319@news1.elmhst1.il.home.com>
> --
> MMFC kook UberJacker <nohij...@houston-hunks.com> takes usenet to real life:
> "It seems your telephone number is posted on Nim, Marc.  I imagine that
> your fans will be calling soon.  Enjoy."
> MID: <ee35aa1e-ee89-4e63-b158-46fdebc6e...@r36g2000vbr.googlegroups.com>

a phone nyumber was possted but it isn't mine just hope it isn't
assigned to anyone
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683. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 17:56:16 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <46e0c91b-e7e8-4989-b766-5dcdd2418ec3@n4g2000vbz.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3199

On May 5, 1:27 am, 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdg...@gmail.com> wrote:
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spamer

684. Re: <MMFC scatboi> Re: TeH k00Ks leik me, tehy reely leik me !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 18:40:02 UTC
From: % <persent@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <DL2dnRNR44fR7jjSnZ2dnUVZ_ridnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 3051
Cross-posted to:
comp.os.os2.advocacy,alt.usenet.kooks,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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kb9rqz wrote:
> On May 5, 1:59 am, This account has been banned because it violated
> the Google Groups Terms Of Use <laugh...@u.kook> wrote:
>> On Sat, 05 May 2012 02:45:05 GMT, Fred Hall <fkh...@databasix.com>
>> wrote:
>>
>>> On Fri, 4 May 2012 17:49:39 -0700 (PDT), kb9rqz
>>> <mary.morg...@gmail.com> wrote in
>>> <249eb9d1-ce7f-47cc-8ac0-4c2766618...@o3g2000pby.googlegroups.com>:
>>
>>>> BTW, shit is suppoeised to steink; we shitmen leik taht steink!
>>
>>> Campaign speech noted and giggled at.
>>
>> There's more free entertainment yet to come from scatboi.
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>> --
>> Greegor 'Rock Hard Stupid' Hanson wrote on April 30, 2001:
>> "I am now a "founded" child abuser for making a 7 year old take
>> a fast cold shower. (Not initial accusation, result of witchhunt)"
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>> your fans will be calling soon. Enjoy."
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>> <ee35aa1e-ee89-4e63-b158-46fdebc6e...@r36g2000vbr.googlegroups.com>
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> assigned to anyone
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685. SARL News in English 5/5/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 19:35:19 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <0CE172CE73CB41849D83E7808EB681EA@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3052
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 6 MAY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 17570 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM IN DURBAN ON SATURDAY

PROPAGATION STUDY ON 5 MHz PUBLISHED

NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM IN DURBAN ON SATURDAY

If you have not yet booked for the SA AMSAT Space Symposium to be held at the University of KwaZulu Natal this Saturday, 12 May, do it now. The programme is packed with presentations and demonstrations covering a wide range of subjects of interest to radio amateurs and persons who have an interest in science and technology.

Telkom is the lead sponsor making it possible to have speakers from all over South Africa. The SA National Space Agency is sponsoring the attendance of students and learners and a number of companies have come on board with attendance prizes. From RF Design there are four Tiny track APRS boards to be won, Comtest and RS are donating multi meters. Visit www.amsatsa.org.za for the programme, list of attendance prizes which is growing everyday and registration form. The early bird registration fee for SARL and SA AMSAT members has been extend till Monday evening.

PROPAGATION STUDY ON 5 MHz PUBLISHED

A paper entitled Comparison of propagation predictions and measurements for mid-latitude HF near-vertical incidence sky wave links at 5MHz has just been published in the peer-reviewed, academic journal, Radio Science. The paper, by Dr Marcus Walden, G0IJZ, compares near-vertical incidence sky wave, or NVIS, measurements from the UK 5 MHz beacon network with HF propagation predictions using VOACAP and ASAPS software. A link to the manuscript can be found on www.rsgb.org.uk.

The SARL has submitted a proposal to ICASA to allocate spectrum in the 5 MHz band for radio amateurs in South Africa to do propagation research on this band. An amateur allocation in the 5 MHz band is on the ITU WRC-015 agenda.

One of the problems with Amateur allocations at 40 and 80 metres is that the two bands are an octave apart in frequency. At stages when the MUF (Maximum Usable Frequency) falls below 7 MHz in the 300 to 500 km distance range, the LUF (Lowest Usable Frequency) is still above 4 MHz. This is especially true in the late afternoon/early evening. This leaves Radio Amateurs without a direct workable HF frequency over these moderate distances. When the MUF falls below 7 MHz, the lower portion of 5 MHz is perfectly in the OTF (Optimum Traffic Frequency) range that then stretch from about 4,9 to 5,6 MHz range. Ean Retief, ZS1PR, found that in studies carried out in a commercial application, that during times of low Solar Flux, 5 MHz could be used right through the day in preference to frequencies just below 7 MHz. He also observed that in winter the band is very quiet during the day and excellent for Packet radio as well phone. In times of high Solar Flux 5 MHz can be used from sundown

right trough the night till well after dawn when there is no daytime "skip zone" on 5 MHz.

The SARL is following up with ICASA and has asked the agency to fast track the application.

NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY

At the recent strategic indaba, the Council of the SARL decided to set a day aside to be called National Amateur Radio Day, celebrating Amateur Radio as a National Resource and its diversity as the most exciting of all scientific hobbies.

This year National Amateur Radio Day will be held on Saturday 16 June which is also youth day. Council selected the date as the youth is the future of amateur radio. The day will however not detract from older and senior amateurs. It will be all inclusive.

The objective is to take amateur radio to the public by exhibiting and doing live demonstrations of the various aspects that make amateur radio great and a fun thing to be part of. It is planned that the activity be run from 09:00 - 16:00.

Council will finalise the programme at it meeting this week. Be sure to tune in to SARLNEWS next Sunday to get all the details and watch out

for a SARL letter in your email inbox after that and on the web.

RADIO AMATEUR EXAMINATION NUMBERS ON THE WEB

Candidates who have registered to write the Radio Amateur Examination on Thursday 24 May can look up their examination number and venue where the examination will be written on the web. Visit www.amateurradio.org.za/RAE.htm or link from the news item on the SARL home page on www.sarl.org.za.

168 Candidates have registered for the May examination. The exam starts at 19:00 and candidates have three hours to complete the two sections of the examination. Candidates should report to the examination centre by 18:30 and bring their ID book or other suitable identification. We wish candidates success in the exam.

EME WORKED ALL CONTINENTS

On Tuesday evening 1 May, Andre van Deventer, ZS2BK, worked PY2GN via EME and this was the sixth QSO required for the Worked all Continents Award. Andre has now made an EME contact with a station in Africa, Europe, Asia, Oceania, North and South America.

Congratulations to Andre.

CONTEST NEWS

SARL VHF/UHF Contest results.

Only 8 logs were received which consisted of 6 Home stations and 2 Club stations. Where were all the other club stations? Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, SARL Contest Manager, would like to issue a challenge to all the clubs countrywide to take part in the next leg in September 2012. It is up to the clubs to generate interest amongst their members to the wonders of VHF/UHF.

Analog results.

Rover station. ZS6MHH 1 448 points

Single operator Home stations. 1st - ZS1NAZ 112 890 Points 2nd - ZS6A 31 455 Poins 3rd - ZS6PX 12 746 Points

Multi Operator Club Station. 1st - ZS6WR 43 932 Points 2nd - ZS6MRK 40 733 points

Digital results.

Single operator home station. 1st - ZS5Y 106452 Points 2nd - ZS6A 102438 Points 3rd - ZS2ACP 100775 Points

Multi Operator Club Station. 1st - ZS6MRK 20 556 Points 2nd - ZS6WR 5 346 Points

Congratulations to all the winners. Thanks go to the stations who sent in a log. A special word of thanks to Tienie Herbst, ZS6MHH, who went

the extra mile.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity remains at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with smaller, fairly quiet sunspots.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 51.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

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DIARY OF EVENTS 6 May - This afternoon, ZS3 Sprint, 14:00 to 15:00 UTC. 12 May - SA AMSAT space symposium; visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and registration. 12/13 May the AWA Valve QSO party, 15:00 to 19:00 CAT. 13 May - Log sheets for ZS3 Sprint to to be in to ZS3 Sprint, PO Box 1049, Kathu, 8446 or by e-mail to zs3nc@qsl.net. 19 May - 14:00 PEARS AGM at the Italian Club, Charlo, Port Elizabeth with a boot sale prior to the AGM with a bring and braai afterwards. 28 May - Logs for AWA Valve QSO party to be in to andyzs6ady@vodamail.co.za or AWA of Southern Africa, P O Box 12320; Benoryn 1504.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 175,70 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 570 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johan Marais, ZU1JM.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

686. eHam.net News for Saturday 5 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-05 22:49:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ca38cd36804bf51d9b9@google.com>
Source record: 3053
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Students Touch Space with Balloon Experiment:

Posted: 04 May 2012 06:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28212

RIDGELAND, MS (WLBT) - A group of Ridgeland middle schoolers are taking learning to new heights. Recently they conducted an experiment that is quickly gaining them attention, and almost a world record. On March 3, students in the science and the radio and technology club, and their teachers launched a giant weather balloon, with experiments and a digital camera, into the air in Gluckstadt. The goal of the students was to get the balloon as high as they could into the stratosphere. "We had 14 different experiments we sent to near space," said Science Department chair Bobby Robinson. "It has communications gear, tracking gear from amateur radio that allows us to chase it down and recover everything," says History teacher Bill Richardson. Students tracked the balloon, and followed it through re-entry, landing in Asheville, Alabama, 300 miles away. When they looked at the camera, they were amazed. "We took about 1300 pictures, some of them were absolutely amazing, literally out of this world." The images showed the edges of space, a middle school science project that soared 18 miles into the air. "We talked to pilots and so forth that have been that high and they say yeah that's the real thing and you can see the very thin blue atmosphere and you're out of the oxygen, there's no oxygen up there," said Richardson. The experimental camera even caught a glimpse of a high speed light particle, never captured before. "I even showed this to a guy that works at NASA; I sent it to him and he called me back, he's and astrophysicist. He goes, I've never seen this, never seen anything like it," said Robinson. The students also came close to breaking a world record, while tracking their balloon by radio, becoming number two in the world for VHF telemetry distance reception. (HAM radio operators could hear the beacon in their balloon that far away!)

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Morristown and Technology, Then and Now:

Posted: 04 May 2012 06:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28211

Are you lost without your cell phone? Do you have the latest model? Can you imagine surviving even one day without it? Today, you can talk to others around the world within mere seconds. There was a time, however, when communication was no faster than horses' hooves. Think of Samuel

Morse, in 1825, painting a portrait of Lafayette in Washington not hearing of his first wife's death in New Haven until four days later, after she was already buried. Morse, known as the father of the American telegraph is immortalized through the Morse Code and the telegraph which made long-distance communication as fast as the electricity passing though a single wire. Perhaps you've played the "telephone game," sending a message through a line of people only to find the original meaning has been completely altered. In large part, that is how history has recorded the true story of the telegraph. Important details have been left out of many history books along the way. Did you know that Morristown, New Jersey was the actual birthplace of the telegraph? Did you know that without Alfred Vail, a Morristown native, Samuel Morse would likely have failed in his attempts at perfecting the telegraph? Did you know that it was Alfred Vail who invented most of the telegraph's recognizable components? It was only through Vail's persistent and inventive nature, and his family's financing of the project, that Samuel Morse was able to achieve his great fame, and wealth. The details of this important story in American history are accurately told at Historic Speedwell, the birthplace of the technology and its inventor. The significance of this village doesn't end there. Speedwell has other claims to fame which can be also be discovered by visiting.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #18 de K7RA:

Posted: 04 May 2012 01:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28210

Average daily sunspot numbers declined 38 points to 106.7 this week, and average daily solar flux declined nearly 18 points to 116.2. Predicted solar flux is 115 for May 4-6, 110 on May 7-10, 120 on May 11, 130 on May 12, 135 on May 13, 140 on May 14-17, 135 on May 18-21, and 130, 125, 120, 115, 110 on May 22-26 and 105 on May 27-31.

687. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 6 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-06 11:05:26 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba614faa077cde04bf5c21ea@google.com>
Source record: 3054
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Railways on the Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gNk6ERszVuE/gb0tlr.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Southgate Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event station for the Railways on the Air event on 22nd and 23rd of September

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact with Farnsworth Aerospace PK-8 Magnet School, St. Paul, MN

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OPht7s_ZMaQ/ariss_event_0705.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Farnsworth Aerospace PK-8 Magnet School, St. Paul, MN on 07 May

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Locating Power Line Noise

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KGYaunX8YQg/locating_power_line_noise.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham Radio Now have released a video of a 2010 Dayton presentation by Ed Hare W1RFI

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Barrie Manton G1WSL - a request for help

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O5PbUZ_rFtg/barrie_manton_g1wsl_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Veronica Manton has contacted us with a request for help regarding her late father, Barrie Manton, G1WSL

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Repeater for Android

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GhFRZqkgIlY/repeater_for_android.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest version of Repeater for Android and Playbook by ZBM2 Software
now includes repeater information for the UK, Germany, Italy, Poland,
Norway, Spain and Australia, with more countries soon

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Fox-1 targets launch in 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cy_zspAbYpk/fox_1_targets_launch_in_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT's Fox-1 project timeline is based on targeting a launch in the second
half of 2013. NASA will determine on which flight each of the Project ELaNa
CubeSats are launched

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VHF Antennas from I0JXX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/apCtTC6Y4WI/vhf_antennas_from_i0jxx.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A range of VHF antennas from I0JXX are now available in the UK, and there
are introductory prices for May

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To the Moon on a Shoestring

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Bx3XWTPRCvA/to_the_moon_on_a_shoestring.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tor Fos Mortensen gave a presentation about Euroluna (OZ9LUNA) to the
European Lunar Symposium in Berlin, April 19-20, 2012

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HF APRS tutorial AGWTracker UZ7HO Soundmodem

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m9yn_K2YmAw/hf_aprs_tutorial_agwtracker_uz7ho_soundmodem.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tony K2MO has released a tutorial video on how to configure UZ7HO
Soundmodem and AGWTracker for HF APRS

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US Emergency Services move to Digital

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Qq06LaM2NSY/us_emergency_services_move_to_digital.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Emergency services in the UK have moved to UHF Terrestrial Trunked Radio (TETRA), services in the USA are also moving to digital to the disappointment of some radio amateurs

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Belgium Foundation get more power on HF

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MdAttq5KvSo/belgium_foundation_get_more_power_on_hf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, May 4, the Belgium regulator BIPT announced power increases that could permit amateur radio Foundation holders to run 100 watt transceivers on HF

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SARC in Nottingham Post

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tuQFp9KiOcU/sarc_in_nottingham_post.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sherwood Amateur Radio Club, who are at the Notts Scouts Big Weekend, feature in the Nottingham Post

688. Very Huge collection of Solutions Manuals & Test Banks

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-06 11:27:49 UTC
From: student ps <student.p24@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <13917123.556.1336303669221.JavaMail.geo-discussion-forums@vbbgl4>
Source record: 3055

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21st Century Astronomy, 3rd Edition, Blumenthal.Hester.Kay.Smith.Voss, Instructor Manual

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A Concise Introduction to Logic, 11th Edition 2012, Hurley, Test Bank

A Framework for Human Resource Management, 6th Edition, Gary Dessler, Instructor Manual

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A History of Modern Psychology, 10th Edition 2012, Schultz.Schultz, Instructor Manual

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A History of Western Music, 8th Edition, Burkholder.Grout.Palisca, Instructor Manual

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A Second Course in Statistics; Regression Analysis, 7th Edition 2012, Mendenhall.Sincich, Solutions Manual

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Abnormal Psychology, 4th Edition, Seligman.Walker.Rosenhan, Test Bank

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Abnormal Psychology; Perspectives with MyPsychKit_Fourth Edition, 4th Edition, Dozois.Firestone, Instructor Manual

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Access to Health, 12th Edition 2012, Donatelle, Solutions Manual

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Accounting Information Systems, 7th Edition, James Hall, Solutions Manual

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Adober Photoshopr CS5 Revealed, 1st Edition 2011, Elizabeth Eisner Reding, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

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Advanced Accounting, 11th Edition 2012, Fischer.Taylor.Cheng, Solutions Manual

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Advanced Financial Accounting, 9th Edition 2011, Baker.Christensen.Cottrell, Instructor Manual & Solutions Manual

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Advanced Visual Basic 2010, 5th Edition 2012, Irvine.Gaddis, Solutions Manual

Advertising & IMC; Principles and Practice, 9th Edition 2012, Moriarty.Mitchell.Wells, Instructor Manual

Advertising and Integrated Brand Promotion, 6th Edition 2012, O'Guinn.Allen.Semenik, Instructor Manual

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Advertising and Promotion; An Integrated Marketing Communications Perspective, 9th Edition 2012, Belch.Belch, Instructor Manual

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Agricultural Economics, 3rd Edition, Drummond.Goodwin, Instructor Manual

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Algebra and Trigonometry, 4th Edition 2012, Beecher.Penna.Bittinger, Solutions Manual

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Algebra; Form and Function, 1st Edition, McCallum.Connally.Hughes-Hallett.Cheifetz.Davidian.Lock.Lovelock.Schmierer.Shure.Swenson.Marks

America's Courts and the Criminal Justice System, 10th Edition 2011, Neubauer.Fradella, Instructor Manual

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The NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-18
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Note! This forecast is based upon quiet solar, space and geomagnetic
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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS-

Low Latitude- Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Normal

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS-

Low Latitude- Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Normal

NORTHERN HEMISPHERE 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

NORTHERN HEMISPHERE 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

NORTHERN HEMISPHERE 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

From the Northern Hemisphere-

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial HF propagation conditions greater than 2000 mi/3200 km will be FAIR TO GOOD on 80, 60, 40 and 30 meters, FAIR TO GOOD on 20, 17, 15 and FAIR on 12 and 10 meters.

From the Southern Hemisphere-

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial HF propagation conditions greater than 2000 mi/3200 km will be GOOD on 80, 60, 40 and 30 meters, GOOD on 20, 17, 15 and GOOD on 12 and 10 meters.

HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

GLOBAL 50-54 MC (6 Meters) PROPAGATION MODES EXPECTED FORECAST-

F2- None

Sporadic E (Es)- Yes

Aurora E High Latitude- Yes

Aurora E Mid Latitude- No

Troposphere Ducting- Yes

Trans Equatorial (TE) F2/F3- Yes

Meteor Scatter- No, excluding random meteors, lightning bolt plasma channels, space junk and alien spacecraft

Meter Band Equivalents

Ham SWL

160 90

80 75

60 60

40 49, 41

30 31, 25

20 22, 19

17 16, 15

15 13

12, 10 11

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Senegal 6V7S 2012

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RK4FF will be active from Senegal 16-28 May 2012 as 6V7S

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...7s_2012_rk4ff/

73 Al 4L5A

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N1MM ESM- how to create an alternate "TU + LogIt" to the Enter key?

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345049-N1MM-ESM-how-to-create-an-alternate-quot-TU-LogIt-quot-to-the-Enter-key&goto=newpost

Hello All,

I love the N1MM ESM mode. Using CW in the CQ mode, after the contacts Call
and Exchange are entered, then hitting ENTER again does the equivalent of
logging the QSO and sending the F3 message.

I would like to create a similar function key using the key, so that by
hitting this key it does the equivalent of logging the QSO and sending a
different "TU QRZ?" type of message (which is stored, for example, in the
F8 key).

Is this possible? I would think any key could be programmed for (logging
+ "TU"), correct?

Even if I can do that, will it interfere with the ESM mode operation?

I'm only a basic user of N1MM and I have not found what I want to do in the
manual so here I am- any guidance appreciated.

tnx es vy 73,

Chris, NX4N

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 29th-April, through Sunday, 6th-May there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7O, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2V, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2C, CONWAY REEF (Update). An international team of operators will be active as 3D2C from Conway Reef (OC-112) between September 24th and October 5th. The current list of operators are Hrane/YT1AD (Team leader), David/K3LP (Technical Co-leader), Aleksey/UA4HOX (Organization Co-leader),

Paul/N6PSE (PR), David/WD5COV, Vasily/RW4NW, David/AH6HY, Alan/AD6E,
Alan/K6SRZ (Medical Doctor), Craig/K9CT, Sergej/RZ3FW, George/N6NKT,
Stanislav/LZ1GC, Al/K3VN, Alexander/RW3RN and Peter/PY5CC/PT5XX. Most
of these operators were active from Rotuma as 3D2R last year. Activity
will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. Suggested
frequencies were published in OPDX.1045. QSL via YT1AD, direct (w/SAE
or SASE + 1 USD for normal postage, 2 USDs for Airmail) or by the Bureau.
For more details and updates, visit the 3D2C Web page at:
http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

6O, SOMALIA. A team of Italian operators will be active this week from
from Galkayo, Somalia, as 6O0CW between May 7-18th. Operators mentioned
are Silvano/I2YSB (6O0CW), Vinicio/IK2CIO (6O0IO), Angelo/IK2CKR (6O0KR),
Marcello/IK2DIA (6O0IA), Stefano/IK2HKT (6O0KT) and Gino/IK2RZP (9O0ZP).
Also mentioned are Software developer Giacomo/IH9GPI and Pilot station
Art/IK7JWY. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.
Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3530, 7025, 10113, 14050, 18069, 21050, 24891 and 28050 kHz
SSB - 3790, 7056/7125, 14270, 18130, 21275, 24980 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - 7041, 10142, 14080, 18103, 21080, 24915 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50105/SSB

QSL Manager is I2YSB, direct or by the OQRS. They state on their Web
page [edited]: "The members of Italian Dxpedition Team, after the donation
of an ambulance to the Galkayo Medical Center and an absence of six years
from Galkayo, return to the country to help again the Somali Red Crescent
Society. The same team has operated from Somalia in 2005 with the callsign
6O0CW and 2006 with the callsign 6O0N, putting in the log about 25,000 QSOs
in the first case and about 35.000 QSOs in the second one. We ask those
who have already worked us during one of these DXpeditions to not work us
again in the same bands/modes, thus giving more opportunities for those
who have not previously worked Somalia. Thanks for your cooperations."
For more details, visit their Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5
A forum for the 6O0CW operation is available at: http://www.hamradioweb.net

6V, SENEGAL. Vladimir, RK4FF, will once again be active as 6V7S from Le
Calao in Ngaparou between May 16-28th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10
meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via RK4FF.

7O6, YEMEN. An international team of operators are now active as 7O6T
from Socotra Island (AS-028) as of 2100z, April 30th through 2100z May
15th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested
frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3504, 7004, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 1845, 3780, 7065/7180, 14145, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz

The 7O6T log shows (per ClubLOG dated May 5th, at 2106z): 74613 Total
QSOs and 20859 with Unique Calls. Mode breakdown: 38537/CW, 35329/SSB and
747/RTTY. Continent breakdown: 562/AF, 0/ANT, 8312/AS, 48761/EU, 15906/NA,
558/OC and 514/SA.
QSL via UA3DX. More details about OQRS/Direct/Bureau/ LoTW will be

available during the course of DXpedition. Operators mentioned are Dmitri/RA9USU (Team Leader), Harry/RA3AUU (Co-Leader), David/K3LP (Co-Leader), Andrew/UA3AB, Oleg/R3FA, Vlad/R7LV, Alex/RM2M, Yuri/RL3FT, Aleksey/UA4HOX, Choigonjav/JT1CO, Paul/N6PSE, David/WD5COV, and Hrane/YT1AD. The 7O6T operation is supported by: Ministry of Interior Republic of Yemen, Ministry of Information Republic of Yemen, Ministry of Radio Republic of Yemen and the Ministry of Telecommunications and Information Technology Republic of Yemen. The 7O6T operation does have a Web page and Twitter page: http://www.yemen2012.com/index.php https://twitter.com/#!/7o6t

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (Press Release - SWODXA DX DINNER ANNOUNCEMENT). Joe Pater, W8GEX, <W8GEX@aol.com>, dated April 30, 2012: "FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- The SOUTHWEST OHIO DX Association (SWODXA) wants to remind everyone that the DX Dinner® is less than three weeks away. The dinner will again be at the Dayton Marriott, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, OH 45409 on Friday, May 18th. The cash bar opens at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7:00 p.m. Following the meal, there will be a separate room and cash bar available for more fellowship. Ticket sales have been brisk, and the reservation deadline is only two weeks away. Dinner details, a list of door prizes, and the reservation order form can be found on the SWODXA event website, <www.swodxaevents.org>. Dinner reservations must be received no later than midnight, Saturday, May 12, 2012."

DIGIFEST 2012. The annual "Digifest" will be held as usual on the 1st full weekend of June (2012 dates are June 2nd and 3rd). This is going to be Digifest's 5th year, and its popularity is growing with last year's received LOGs number of more than 200. Peculiarity of this Contest is the great variety of different categories of the participants in 5 digital modes: RTTY 75, BPSK 63, MFSK 16, HELLSCHREIBER, OLIVIA and the most fair points calculation based on the distance between the stations. The Contest consists of 3 convenient periods (8 hours each) during the weekend. To add more adrenalin into this competition a special feature will be offered to those who like competing in real time ® online results will be presented on a server. And, of course, a lot of real nice prizes, mostly RigExpert AA-230 and AA-30 Antenna Analyzers and RigExpert USB Interfaces. All prizes sponsored by RigExpert Ukraine Ltd. Since the number of the participants is relatively small and the most populated competing area is Europe, the "far away" stations from NA, SA, Africa, Asia and Australia are at great advantage. From the last year's experience those stations were the most prize winners. Considering this and also to support growing participation from Europe, the sponsors "double" the prizes ® i.e. separate main prizes are now available both for Europe and for the "rest of the World". But wait, that's not all! For those of you who won't be able to win "main prize" in respected category, there will be a lot of small gifts, like T-shirts and paper awards. All the prizes will be mailed to participant's home addresses. The results are usually available just 2 weeks after the end of the Contest, So, let's just meet on the 1st weekend of June and have fun! Complete rules can be found at: http://www.mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/index.html

http://www.rigexpert.com/index?s&#65533;in&f&#65533;gifest
http://ut7fp.kiev.ua

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that
the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
7O6T - Yemen; Current Operations
6O3A - Somalia; 2012 Operation

DXCC ONLINE APPLICATION TURN-AROUND. Steve, WB6RSE, informs OPDX:
"I submitted an Online DXCC application just prior to the Visalia DX
convention where I had the cards checked and the paperwork accepted for
forwarding to the DXCC desk for processing. Now just two weeks later,
the credits have appeared in my LOTW DXCC Account Status. Congratulations
to all at the ARRL and all at DXCC for a highly successful and fast new
process. Online DXCC Application. Recommended."

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Andy, AB7FS, is once again planning to be active
as E51AND from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between July 2nd and August 25th.
Activity will be holiday style. As a member of the Straight Key Century
Club (SKCC #7723), he plans to operate straight key CW at or around 14050
kHz, and he will be looking especially for SKCC members. He also checks
into the ANZA net (which meets at 0515z daily on 14183 kHz). QSL via his
home callsign.

GD, ISLE OF MAN. Stewart, G3RXQ, will be active as GD3RXQ from the Isle
of Man (EU-116) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a
Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via G3RXQ.

GU, GUERNSEY. Ed, GW3SQX, will be active as GU7O from Guernsey (EU-114)
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a CW entry. QSL via GW3SQX.

HS85, THAILAND (Special Event). Members of the Rotarians Of Amateur
Radio (ROAR) are currently active as HS85RI; the special event station
for 2012 Rotary International Convention in Bangkok. The team leader
is Tim, JH1NVZ, and the operation is supported by Radio Amateur Society
of Thailand (RAST). They will active until May 9th. QSL via E21EIC.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-067. Operators Mitsuo/JF6TEU and Tsuyoshi/JA6VDB will be active as
homecall/6 from Uji Island between May 11-13th. Activity will
be on 80-12 meters using CW and SSB. There is a possibility
of some 160m, 10m, RTTY and PSK31 operations. QSL via their
home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. Look for updates to
be posted to Twitter @JA6VDB.

EU-008. Glyn, GW0ANA, will be operating as GW0ANA during a "Micro
DX-Pedition" from Gigha Island, Inner Hebrides, Scotland,
between May 21-27th. Activity will be on SSB, RTTY, PSK and
SSTV. QSL via GW0ANA, direct QTHR or by the Bureau.

EU-127. Michael, DL4ABO, will be active as homecall/p from Neuwerk
Island (GIA N-012) and lighthouse (DLTD #38, ARLHS FED-165,
TWLHD WLH DL-019, WLOTA 2311) between May 10-11th. Activity

will be focused on 80-17 meters CW. Also, this operation counts for the National Park and Nature Reserve award (Hamburg Wadden Sea WFF DLFF-005). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/DL4ABO

EU-174. Boyko, LZ1QN, has been issued the special contest callsign SW8A and plans to visit Samothraki Island, Greece, to partic-ipate in the upcoming CQWW WPX CW Contest May 26-27th. His intention is to organize and support a group of experienced hams to join this holiday adventure. QSL card via LZ1QN.

OC-199. Wally, VK6YS, will be active as VK6YS/p from West Lewis Island between May 19-21st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using mainly SSB with some CW. He suggests, "Local nighttime will be best for lower frequency CW and mornings and evenings best for SSB." QSL via his home callsign direct or e-QSL.

J7, DOMINICA. Operators Ken/JN1THL (J79KT), Yoshikatsu/JK1KHT (J79YK), Yoshiko/JQ1LCW (J79YL) and Misae/JF1UOX (J79JF) will be active this week from Dominica (NA-101) between May 10-17th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, possibly 6m, and using CW, SSB and RTTY. Equipment will be a TS-590 and IC-706MKII with amps. QSL all callsigns via JN1NDY.

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Karl/LA8DW (JW8DW) and Kjell/LA9HH will be active from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) between September 12-19th. Their activity will include the Scandinavian Activity Contest (SAC) CW Contest (September 15-16th) using the callsign JW5E. Operations outside of the contest will be on CW and SSB. QSL JW8DW via LA8DW. QSL JW5E direct. Visit the JW8DW Web page at: http://la8dw.com/Svalbard%202011
Visit the JW5E Web page at: http://www.jw5e.com

JY, JORDAN. Once again world traveller, Vladimir, UA4WHX, is active, but this time from Jordan as JY8VB. Currently his length of stay is unknown, and his activity has been on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meter using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

KK5, UNITED STATES (Special Event/IOTA Op). Look for members of the Brazos Valley ARC (KK5W) to be active during the Museum Ships Weekend (0000z, June 2nd to 2359z, June 3rd) operating from radio rooms of WWII Submarine USS Cavalla and Destroyer Escort USS Stewart from Seawolf Park on Pelican Island (NA-143) in Galveston, Texas. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. Be a part of living history as they commemorate the actions of these ships and crews. Receive a special event QSL by sending a SASE to KK5W (QRZ.com). More information is available at: http://www.bvarc.org/index.php?page&#65533;

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 7-13th)....
May/07th AN May/10th HN May/12th AN-HN
May/08th AN May/11th HN May/13th AN
May/09th AN-HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Operators Yuri/N3QQ and Dick/N7RO will be making a quick trip down to American Samoa between June 27th and July 3rd, to just have talks with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) about a potential expedition in the future to Rose Atoll (OC-190). However, they may be active during their spare time as KH8/KL7RRC from Pago Pago. QSL via N7RO or UA9OBA.

PG6, NETHERLANDS (Special Event/Windmill). Members of the Veron Woerden Radio Club (Division A66) will be active as PG6MILL between May 12-13th. Activity will take place from the Dutch Windmill 'de Windhond' during the WOTA (Windmills On The Air) Event. Operations will be on 80m-70cm. The PI4WNO members are also celebrating the club's 25th anniversary. QSL via PA4J. During the WOTA Event, it is possible to earn an award, for details see: http://www.pd6mill.com

PJ2, CURACAO. Once again operators YL Anja/DH2AK and Torsten/DL1THM will be active as PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM from Curacao (SA-099, WLOTA LH-0942) between now and May 18th. Activity will be holiday style using this time the PJ2T Signal Point club station. Activity will be on 20-15 meters and mainly on SSB. QSL via their home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. See details QRZ.com.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 6th)

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4O/IW3FWT via IW3FWT HB60RF via HB9DDS RP67IB via RK3DXW
CT7/GW0VML/P via GW0VML HG3IPA via HA3JB RP67KE via RW9QA
DL250COAL via DK8VR K4A via N4PJ RP67SO via RW3ZC
EG8WFF via EA8URL KP4ED via EB7DX RP67S via RV3LZ
EM50ISI via UT5SI LZ907SKB via LZ1KCP RP67ZZ via UA1ZZ
EM67QN via UT3QN MQ0OXO via M0OXO YL44WFF via YL2SW
EO1HFF via UY1HY OK2RRR via OK2RZ YU/S50HH via S50HH
GQ4RCG via M0OXO OZ/DL1BWU via DL1BWU ZW7R via PR7ZAJ
GS6PYE via M0VFC PY0FM via PY5XX

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

LY16W QSL STATUS. Sam, LY5W, reports that he just received a few days ago the special LY16W QSLs from print. The special callsign was used to celebrate the independence of Lithuania signed on February 16th, 1918.

QSLs are good towards a beautiful LY WPX Plaque. All info is available on QRZ.com under LY5W. First QSLs will go out this week to those who send direct; Bureau QSL cards will go a little later. Sam states, "Look for me with another new prefix."

QSL 4J0LH and 4J0SF via 4J5T. Activity was by the "Safari DX Club" from the Shuvalan Lighthouse (AZE 007) on May 6th. This was a new activation. Operators were Boris/4K4K and Natig/4J5T.

NEW QSL MANAGER. As of April 30th, 2012, Buzz, NI5DX, has become the QSL Manager for Volker, ZS3Y. Buzz will be able to confirm all contacts made with ZS3Y after October 11, 2008. Cards will need to be printed so replies will not be sent out for about six weeks. Patience is appreciated during this transition period.

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 9900 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2011) with more than 300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than 1300+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more than 3500+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from North Africa 1945-1962 (300+ QSLs)
- More than 850 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 270 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques Francaises).
- More than 300 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as FK, FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- The FG, FM, FP, FS, FY stations from 1945 to 1970
- More than 1400 cards for the old timer with more than 130 countries before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- At least one card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.

The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your particip-ation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@free.fr

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4Z4DX, 6H6IARU, 9N7MD, CD3DZ, CE4SFG, CE9/PA3EXX, CT3DZ, CT9/CT1FFU, EA3IN, FM5CD, FY8PE, GM3YOR, GR100MGY, HK1MW, HP1WW, JA7IC, JV5A, KH6ZM, ON4AXU, PJ2/K8ND, RG9A, UN1L, WP4U and VE6STP

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5Z4EE, 7P8GF, 9M6/OH2YY, E51M, E51Z, HC2/W7SE, HI8A, JC91NW, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, SV5BYR, T2T, TG8/W0OR, TO3A, TU2T, VK0TH, VP8SGP, VR2XMT, XV2RZ and ZX2S

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3A/N9NS, 3W6C, 5WOU, 5W0YA, 5Z4/RW1AU, 6W/UA0SE, 9M6DXX/P, 9M6XRO/P, 9M8Z, 9U1RSI, A6/UA9B, A65BP, B3C, BV9G, BV0G, BV0SSB, C21DL, C6AUM, CY9A, CT3/DK7YY, DU3/KL7IWC, E51NOU, FM5WE,

FO/N6JA, HC8/DF8AN, HK3Q, HK5NLJ/3, HK6BRK, HR9/WQ7R, JW/DC8TM, JY4NE, KH2L, KH0/KT3Q, KP2/K0BBC, P29SS, P4/RG5A, PJ4C, PJ4/W5WR, R1ANC, T27A, T32YA, TC4M, TN2T, TT8ZZ, UK8AR, V31YN, V55A, VP2MSC, VP5DX, VR2C, XU7ACQ, XU7XRO, YS9SS, ZC4VJ, ZF1A, ZF2AM, ZK3OU, ZK3YA and ZL7/N7NOU

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, who is active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21), will be on during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Operations will only be on 40/20/15/10 meters using 100 watts into a OCF dipole at 40 feet. QSL via LoTW or to K9GY (see QRZ.com) direct or by the Bureau.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS (Update). John, W5JON, will once again be operating as V47JA from his Calypso Bay, St. Kitts, W.I., hillside vacation home (CQZ 8, IOTA NA-104, Grid FK87pg) between July 12th and August 2nd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, including 60m and using SSB. His activity will also include RSGB IOTA (SSB) Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry and also, the CQWW VHF Contest (July 21-22nd). Equipment will be: Kenwood TS-590S and a SB200 Amplifier and a 80-10m Multiband Dipole and S9 Vertical (18' and 31'); 6m will be a 3 element yagi. His XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to his home callsign W5JON. Also via LoTW.

W9DXCC DX CONVENTION ANNOUNCES (Press Release - dated May 5th). "DX'ing from the Black Hole - A multi-session course to be presented in conjunction with the 60th W9DXCC DX Convention (Schaumburg, Illinois) -- The W9DXCC convention committee has announced it will offer a 4 session class on Friday, September 14th, 2012, to introduce ham operators to the excitement and fun of 'DXing', or contacting hams in other countries around the world. The class will be held the day before the W9DXCC convention on September 15th, and has been designed for new and inexperienced DX'ers. Each will cover a different aspect of DX'ing including operating practices, station design, chasing awards, QSL'ing and propagation from the Black Hole. All presenters are accomplished DXers from the NIDXA (Northern Illinois DX Association) and include K9AJ, K9EL, WA9YYY and W9MU. Between them they have over 100 years of experience that includes participation in DXpedition operations to rare locations around the world and numerous awards. Registration for the class may be done online at the W9DXCC web site <www.w9dxcc.com> when Convention registration is active. Discounts will be available for persons signing up for both the class and the convention. Please contact W9MU <jhudson@wishcom.net> for further details and information."

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

692. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 6th May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-06 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120506200004.6509833C0F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3059
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 6th May 2012

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The examination may be held on that day at other centres where warranted by the number of candidates. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form. Please note over half the available places have already been allocated.

HAMCON

The Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference - brought to you by West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club, Technology Education Centre, 2 Spillers Place, Omagh. Lectures/Seminars, Demonstrations, Special Interest Groups, Trade Stands, National Societies, Disabled Facilities, Door Prizes, Raffle, Catering. The event this year takes place 16th June 2012.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

SEARG kicked-off it's theory classes at the last meeting on Monday 30 April last. The meeting was well attended by those wishing to sit the theory exam. If anyone else would like to participate, please get in touch with Mark Wall on 087 630 2026 or by e-mail to markwall /at/ vodafone /dot/ ie.

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May. South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. The callsign is EI2GEO (pending approval). Activity will mainly be on

HF. Anyone wishing to get involved should contact the club on info/ at/searg.com or phone Mark Wall on 087 630 2026 . For more information about the Geopark, visit www.coppercoastgeopark.com

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Limerick Radio Club

The final meeting of the season for Limerick Radio Club will take place on Wednesday May 9th at 7.30pm Limerick Institute of Technology. Preparations for summer activities will be discussed on the night, including field days, Lighthouse weekend etc. There will also be a talk on Astronomy.

Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will once again be operating from Elphin Windmill, Co. Roscommon as part of the Mills on the air weekend, next weekend the 12th and 13th May. The call will be EI2EWM and will be active on all bands, SSB and CW. All are welcome to attend and refreshments will be available. For more info, contact Brian EI8IU (brianei8iu/ at/ eircom /dot/ net) or see www.shannonbasinredioclub.com.

GB0BON

In June 16th/17th 2012 the Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society (UK) will again be putting the Amateur Radio Special Event Station GB0BON on air. It will be the 367th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby and the third anniversary of GB0BON.

GB3LV repeater back on the air

GB3LV - the north London 70cm, IRLP and Echolink enabled repeater, is back on the air again after having been off air for a day or so with an intermittent fault. GB3NL and GB3EN were unaffected. The fault has been rectified by the rapid actions of Roger G8IUC.

Roger indicated that an upgrade/maintenance action was due on GB3EN (the Amateur TV repeater in Enfield) and that a new antenna, feeder and other sundries would be installed. The time scale for the installation is not known.

DX News

One of the most wanted DXCC entities turned up unexpectedly last Monday evening. An expedition to Yemen using the callsign 7O6T will be on the air until mid-May. While the trip has been up to 2 years in the planning news only broke a couple of days before the operation started. The location is on Socotra Island and this is also most-wanted by the IOTA fraternity with the only previous activity from there back in

1964/5 when G3UCQ operated as VS9SJF. The IOTA reference is AF-028. Look at the website www.yemen2012.com for details of the frequencies.

Barry 9V1FJ will be operating from a number of Caribbean countries in the coming weeks. From 9 - 11 May he will be active as PJ7/G4MFW from Sint Maarten and also FS/G4MFW from Saint Martin. This is followed by a trip to Saba Island on 12 - 14 May signing PJ5/G4MFW. He then plans to appear as FJ/G4MFW from St Barthelemy from 15 - 16 May. Next on the list is Curacao as PJ2/G4MFW and finally Bonaire as PJ4/G4MFW during 17 - 20 May.

A group of Japanese operators will be QRV from the Maldives from 11 - 16 May. Callsigns to look out for are 8Q7NK, 8Q7IC, 8Q7TE, 8Q7CJ and 8Q7ZS. Activity will be on all bands 160 - 6m using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK.

One for the prefix hunters to look out for this month is R1945HS which is celebrating the 67th Anniversary of the end of World War 2. The call will be in use until 31 May and QSL info is via RW6HS.

Special UK callsigns for Queen's Diamond Jubilee

>From May 5 until June 10, British amateur radio operators may use a special prefix to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The second letter of the prefix will be replaced by a Q, calls with a single letter prefix add a Q:

2E0aaa will be 2Q0aaa 2M0aaa will be 2Q0aaa G3aaa will be GQ3aaa GM3aaa will be GQ3aaa GX3aaa will be GQ3aaa M3aaa will be MQ3aaa

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

693. eHam.net News for Sunday 6 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-06 22:09:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043fd03b6604bf65695c@google.com>
Source record: 3060
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Anacapa School Club to Launch its Second Probe:

Posted: 05 May 2012 05:50 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28217

The Anacapa Near Space Exploration Club (ANSEC) at Anacapa School will reach for the stars once again with its second near space probe, Anacapa Amateur High-Altitude Balloon 2 (AAHAB-2). Last year, the high school club sent a payload of sensors and a camera to 91,122 feet above California's Central Coast and recovered it successfully. This year, the team has set even more ambitious goals including a live video downlink, high-definition recording, radiation sensors and live radio telemetry. Carlson, along with Hatfield, a 15-year-old sophomore, studied for and passed the Federal Communications Commission exam for their amateur radio licenses. This certification allows the group access to special wireless spectrum allocations reserved for radio experimentation and scientific purposes. By building off ANSEC's inaugural AAHAB-1 probe, the AAHAB-2 team is hoping to downlink live video and atmospheric data from the probe throughout its two- to three-hour flight through the stratosphere and into the freezing, dark daytime skies of near space.

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Sounding Off as True Listeners Ham It Up and Tune In to a Wave Of Nostalgia

Posted: 05 May 2012 05:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28216

MY dad (god rest his soul) had three obsessions: rock 'n' roll, The Prisoner television series and amateur radio. Consequently, the soundtrack to my childhood was a heady mix of "C'mon Everybody" (Eddie Cochran) "I am not a number, I am a free man" (Patrick McGoohan/Number Six and "Dit dit dah dah" (Morse code), all reverberating throughout the house. The first two still feature in my day-to-day life; amateur radio, however, just hovers about on a distant wavelength, I still have a soft spot for it though and it pops up all over the place. Worldwide, there's about two million "radio hams" (as they like to be known) and a thriving local network centred on the Sherwood Amateur Radio Society. Just in case you don't know what amateur radio is, here's a brief overview: people the world over use their "rig" to communicate with other hams through a variety of means (text, voice, Skype) via private, recreational, non-commercial radio. They contact each other regardless of time and geography, even in space, where the reception is not half bad, so beat that smart phones.

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HamRadioNow #10: Powerline Noise:

Posted: 05 May 2012 05:50 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28215

HamRadioNow #10: Powerline Noise:

694. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1336370700@panix.com>
Source record: 3061
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

695. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1336371000@panix.com>
Source record: 3062
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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696. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 7 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 11:12:38 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410aba48f6204bf705854@google.com>
Source record: 3063
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ISS Symposium 2012: A Personal Reflection

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JqELpwcnM14/iss_symposium_2012_a_personal_reflection.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Amateur Andy Thomas G0SFJ was invited to attend the ISS Symposium 2012, organised by ESA and DLR in Berlin on May 2-4. This is his personal reflection of the event

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OSSI CubeSat - Ground Station Video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3V672KNOEFg/ossi_cubesat_ground_station_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The OSSI CubeSat backpack ground station features a novel fold-up antenna

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RFinder - The World Wide Repeater Directory Now on Android AND iPhone/iPad

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ae1ocm8O2Ek/rfinder_the_world_wide_repeater_directory.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

After many requests from our users we are pleased to announce the official release of the next platform release of RFinder - The World Wide Repeater Directory (WWRD) for iOS. It is available for immediate download from the Apple App Store

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4KS0NG - Eurovision Song Contest Azerbaijan

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YDNL8Oxn_Eg/4ksong_eurovision_song_contest_azerbaijan.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sixteen amateur radio special event stations are being run in Azerbaijan to celebrate the Eurovision Song Contest

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GB4CCF at the Chesterfield Canal Festival

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kk5mxZ_hmdM/gb4ccf_chesterfield_canal_festival.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB4CCF will be 'On Air' this year on June 30th and July 1st from around
10am till 5pm on each day (BST) at the Chesterfield Canal Festival

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Ham radio pioneer wins national thankyou

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9fo3lJNDhxQ/ham_radio_pioneer_wins_national_thank_you.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Reynold L. "Fritz" Nitsch W4NTO has been presented with the national George
Hart Distinguished Service Award for a lifetime of service to amateur radio

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s5iRwJ5lMFg/may_07.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/57S5l9DAsK4/dxcc_report_0705.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
29th-April, through Sunday, 6th-May there were 222 countries active

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G-AK-QiiFD8/history_07_may.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

697. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 7 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 12:29:03 UTC
From: Richard G3CWI <g3cwi@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <703e9de5-1015-4ee5-9c9c-7581ac2640ba@m10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3064
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On May 7, 12:12 pm, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
<newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
>
> The OSSI CubeSat backpack ground station features a novel fold-up antenna

The slightest gust of wind and it's all over!

698. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 6th May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 14:00:25 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120507140015.8EC7133C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3065
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 6th May 2012

The news headlines:

Still time to apply for a Jubilee NoV

More paperwork for Belgian amateurs

Club, repeater and beacon insurance news

It's not too late to apply for a Notice of Variation for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Amateurs in the UK were able to start using the special callsigns with the letter Q added from 4 May. This will continue until 10 June. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party has also started, where participants are attempting to work a minimum of 100 special Jubilee callsigns. If you haven't already applied for your NoV, you can do so at www.rsgb.org/operating/novapp/jubilee. Details of the QSO Party were in the May RadCom or can be found at www.rsgb.org/consultations/docs/pdf/queens-jubilee-qso-party-final-version.pdf. You may also hear some stations in Gibraltar using the prefix ZQ instead of the normal ZB.

The Belgian national amateur radio society's website has posted an update on the restrictive antenna requirements recently imposed by the Flemish Government. The latest registration seems to apply to antennas that operate between 10MHz and 10GHz. It would appear that Flemish amateurs who transmit less than 175 hours a year at 20 watts ERP or less are now required to submit forms to the government for each antenna they have. Multi-band antennas require multiple submissions of forms. And if any change is made to an antenna, all of the paperwork must be resubmitted. You can find out more at tinyurl.com/NoticeForTxAntennas.

As a result of the recent insurance review the Society has placed the insurance cover for Clubs, Repeaters, Beacons & Packet Nodes with NIG. This took effect from 30 April and will run until 29 April 2013. A new certificate and 'To whom it concerns' letter for Clubs can be obtained from www.rsgb.org/membersonly/clubinsurance. Repeater, Beacon & Packet Node operators who require Public Liability Insurance should contact Carlos Eavis, by e-mail to carlos.eavisrsgb.org.uk or call him on 01234 832 715 to obtain a price and insurance documentation.

The UK RAYNET group and British Association of Public Safety Communications Officials have signed a Memorandum of Understanding. It recognises the common objectives of both organisations in the promotion

and influencing of public safety, civil contingency, information management and communications. In the Memorandum of Understanding, RAYNET and APCO set out a Schedule of Agreements that sets out some of the ways in which both organisations will work together. This includes networking opportunities and invitations to attend management meetings; website content sharing; joint working and sharing of publications; and engaging RAYNET in regional and national events.

Now that terrestrial TV has been switched off in Portugal, the National Communications Authority of Portugal has agreed to extend the 6m band for radio amateurs. Category 1, A and B amateurs can now use 50 to 52MHz on a secondary basis with a maximum power of 25 watts.

The AMSAT/TAPR Banquet on Friday night, 18 May, is one of the main AMSAT activities during the 2012 Hamvention at Dayton. Howard Long, G6LVB will be the featured speaker for the evening event. Howard will be talking about his FUNcube Dongle, his 64-1700MHz Software Defined Receiver.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Dambusters Hamfest will take place today, 6 May, at Thorpe Camp Visitor Centre, Coningsby, Lincs LN4 4PE. Admission is ?3 and there is free parking. Pitches are free but size is limited if not pre-booked. There is a RAF heritage centre on site. Gates open at 10am.

The Dartmoor Radio Club Rally takes place on Bank Holiday Monday, 7 May, at Tavistock College, Crowndale Rd, Tavistock, Devon PL19 8DD. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is ?2. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special interest groups. Details from Viv on 01752 823 427.

The Rochdale & District ARS Flea Market and Junk Sale takes place on 12 May at St Vincent's Church Hall, Caldershaw Rd, Rochdale OL12 7QL. The doors open at 10am. There will be trade stands, car boot sale area and a Bring & Buy. Pitches cost ?7.50. Unfortunately, the contact details that appeared in RadCom were incorrect, so to book your place, contact G0PUD on 01706 346 517 or e-mail dave.shaw1@sky.com.

Now for the news of special events

A school in the village of Gresham will be holding an amateur radio special event station using the D-Star digital network for children age 6 to 11 on May 23rd. The callsign will be GB2GVS which stands for Gresham Village School. Andy Johnston, 2E0AIV is the event coordinator. He says that they have already arranged link-ups with schools in Northern Ireland, the USA and England, but are looking for more countries and schools to participate. If anyone is interested, they can contact Andy via e-mail to 2e0avi@2e0aiv.co.uk.

There will be a Vulcan Special Event radio station at Finningley Robin Hood International Airport, with the callsign GB60VUL, from 5 to 12 May. This will be in conjunction with Newbury Amateur Radio Society. The Finningley Amateur Radio Society will be there with their communications van and the radio station will be open from 8am to 9pm. Special QSL

cards will be available for all contacts.

Botley Flour Mills near Southampton is one of the UK's oldest known milling sites. It is listed in the Doomsday book and is believed to have been a mill site in pre Roman times. The Mill will be activated with the callsign GB0BFM for Mills on the Air weekend on 12 and 13 May from 10am to 4pm. Using 80m, 40m, 2m & 70cm, the station will be run by M0IED and G6FRT and other members of Itchen Valley Radio Club, with added assistance from Southampton University Wireless Society.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The Russian Robinsons are planning the activation of IOTA new one, the Bethel County Group, NA-240 between 10 and 14 May. See www.na-234.com for the latest information.

An international team of operators will be active as 7O6T, that's 7 Oh 6 tee, from Socotra Island until 17 May. They plan to have six stations on the air at any given time. Activity will be on 10 to 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via UA3DX.

A group of operators from Japan will be operational from the Maldives between 11 and 16 May. Activity will be on 6 to 160m using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via their home callsigns, either direct or via the bureau.

Between 19 and 19 May, the Wessex Contest Group will be operating from the Isle of Skye, which is EU-008. This year they will be operating a variety of equipment including some homebrew radio, a selection of QRP set ups and, for the quiet times, they also have a high power HF station. Their antennas include a W3DZZ, a 3 element HF Yagi, and a variety of wire dipoles. Listen out for MS0WCB or MQ0WCB.

Members of the A DX Group are planning a ten man DXperience to Macau, which is XX9. Plans are to be active with at least three complete stations on all bands CW, SSB and digital from 17 to 23 May. They will be operating from Coloane Island, AS-075. QSL via EB7DX either direct, via the EA bureau or via Logbook of The World.

Now the contest news

The 432MHz to 248GHz trophy finishes its 24 hour session at 1400UTC today, 6 May. Using all modes on the bands between 432MHz and 248GHz, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 80m Club Championships SSB leg takes place on 7 May from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 8 May from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 70MHz CW Contest takes place from 0900 to 1200UTC on 13 May. The exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

The Worked All Britain LF phone contest takes place on Sunday 13 May from 1000 to 1400UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT via e-mail ataebbooks@ntlworld.com.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 27th to Thursday the 3rd of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 4th of May.

Several sunspot groups were visible every day. Six new groups appeared during the period. Solar activity on the 27th was moderate when an impulsive M1 solar flare took place. On the remaining days activity was low when several C class solar flares took place. Solar flux levels declined from 121 units on the 28th to 110 by the 1st. The average was 116 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 3rd was 112, that's the same level as last week. X-ray flux levels declined slightly from B5.8 units on the 27th to B2.8 by the 2nd. The average was B4.1 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The most disturbed day was the 27th with an Ap index of 8 units. The average was Ap 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 520 kilometres per second on the 27th to a slow 260 by the 2nd. Particle densities were very low every day, on some days not even one particle per cubic centimetre was recorded. Bz never varied more than minus 5 and plus 4 nanoTeslas until the 3rd and then between minus 8 and plus 7 nanoTeslas. Sporadic-E took place some days on 28MHz with smaller openings on 50MHz.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to rotate into view. Solar activity is expected to be low but could increase to moderate levels on the occasional days. Solar flux levels should increase and by next weekend be in the 130's. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet till around midweek when a disturbance from a recurring coronal hole is expected to arrive. This should last till the start of the weekend. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 25MHz for the south and 22MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 21 MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. Levels could decline slightly during the anticipated coronal hole disturbance. The best time to try this path will be between 1600 and 2100 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place some days on 28MHz and to a lesser extent on 50MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2TBC from West Yorkshire Scouts Big Camp at Great Yorkshire Showground on Monday 7 May, and on Tuesday 8 May they are holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization, from 7pm on Monday 7 May. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday 11 May the club HF net is on 3.748MHz from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 80m CC SSB on Monday 7 May, and the 432MHz UK AC on Tuesday. On Wednesday they are on the air and having a natter night. On Thursday 10 May there's a club net on GB3LM from 2000 and 9am on Saturday 12 May sees Surgery in the shack. Finally, on Sunday 13 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in Mills on the Air, operating GB5EM at Ellis Mill. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes on Wednesday 9 May, and on Saturday 12 May the Club station is at Cottage Farm, Over Whittaker, Shustoke. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

South Birmingham Radio Society has training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL on Thursday 10 May, and conducting shack and aerial work on Friday. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m CC SSB contest on Monday 7 May, and running 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM from 2030UTC on Friday 11 May. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

Wythall Radio Club continues its Intermediate course on Monday 7 May and is holding a committee meeting on Tuesday. Saturday 12 May sees them participating in Mills on the Air from Danzey Green Windmill, Bromsgrove. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 7 May Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating at Crickley Hill. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday 8 May Eagle Radio Group is having a neighbourhood management update by Debbie Prince. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday 8 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at a160m `tranny' radio for DFing. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 8 May Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a presentation on the K12 visit by Pete Badham. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 9 May Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a military vehicles demonstration by 2E0TRO et al. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 10 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 11 May Coventry Amateur Radio Society has the 1st round of the G4ZMC Trophy at Sowe Common. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Wednesday 9 May Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air from 1930 on 145.575MHz. On Saturday 12 May the club is operating GX6LD at Golcar Lilly Day and running GB2TML for Mills on the Air weekend. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is running a Queen's Diamond Jubilee Club Field Day with a Jubilee callsign on Sunday 6 May, and on Friday 11 May is having a talk on setting up an E-QSO node by G0EDK. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 7 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Contest SSB from the club station, G3RCM, and having social evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 8 May Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 8 May Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing possible summer activities. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 8 May Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding an informal direction finding competition. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 9 May Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk and demo of solar and wind powered radio by Steve, G7BBF & David, G3UFO. Details from Simon, G6XHF, on 0151 601 3269.

On Thursday 10 May Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 10 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is on the air and having a barbecue. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 11 May East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 12 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for Mills on the Air at Windmill Hill Community Centre. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 8 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 9 May Glenrothes & DRC is checking and installing equipment in the club caravan. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Wednesday 9 May Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on the ZK2V Niue DXpedition by Chris Tran, ZL1CT / GM3WOJ. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 10 May Paisley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by GM3UWX called Whisper? by Amateurs? Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Friday 11 May Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is holding its first 144MDz DF Hunt, starting in the Old Ship Inn car park. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Saturday 12 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event for National Mill on the Air. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF on Monday 7 May from 20:30, and another net on GB3BF from 20.30 on Thursday 10 May. On Saturday 12 May the club is participating in Mills on the Air weekend. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship SSB on Monday 7 May, and on Wednesday 9 May is having a visit from Mark Francis of Waters and Stanton. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Monday 7 May Radio Society of Harrow is running its demonstration station GX3EFX at the Harrow Museum Mayday celebrations at Headstone Manor in Harrow. On Friday 11 May the club is having an operating evening. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30 on Tuesday 8 May, then having a committee meeting on Wednesday 9 May. On Saturday 12 May they commence their weekend event operating GB5SM from Stock Windmill for Mills On The Air. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

South Essex Amateur Radio Society Radio is having a practical operating evening and rally report on Tuesday 8 May. Sunday 13 May sees them operating GB2RWM at Rayleigh Windmill for Mills on the Air. Dave, G4UVJ. 01268697978, g4uvj@btinternet.com

Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members forum on Wednesday 9 May, and on Sunday 13 May is running a special event station for Windmills on the Air. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Thursday 10 May Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack, then on Saturday 12 May they commence their weekend event at Holton Mill Near Halesworth for Mills on the Air. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is sorting its equipment for its Mills on the Air weekend event on Friday 11 May, which commences on Saturday 12th. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 6 May Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society commences its Intermediate course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Monday 7 May Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having part 2 of its equipment testing evening. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 7 May Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Tuesday 8 May Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. Contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 8 May Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Dr Edmond Turcu on X-rays from laser-plasmas, its generation and applications. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 9 May Darenth Valley Radio Society is having a talk on oscilloscopes by Keith, G8VJG. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday 9 May Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a talk by Norman Crampton, M0FZW, RSGB DRM for Essex. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday 9 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 9 May Ridgeway Repeater Group is holding its AGM. Details online at www.rrg.org.uk.

On Wednesday 9 May Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a computer clinic with Keith, G8RPA. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Thursday 10 May Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding its AGM at 20:45 in the Parkwood club room. Details from Andrew,

M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Thursday 10 May Echelford Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on limited space dipoles by Dave Jefferies, G6GPR.. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 10 May Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening, please note the change of date. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 10 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral-g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 10 May Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at vintage amateur radio & PMR sets. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 10 May Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video evening featuring BVWS & East Anglia. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 10 May Vange Amateur Radio Society is watching a DVD with Steve, G0KVZ. Details from Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 11 May Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is assembling and testing fox hunt equipment. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 11 May Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a surplus equipment sale. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 11 May Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a discussion on propagation, led by George, G3DWW. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 12 May Bittern DX Group is taking part in Mills on the air weekend from Weybourne Mill. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Saturday 12 May Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its National Mills Weekend event as GB2RGM at Royal Gunpowder Mills, Waltham Abbey. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 13 May Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2PW at Polegate Windmill for National Mills Weekend. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

We start with clubs that have several events this week.

On Monday 7 May Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding an HF net on 3.675MHz at 19:45. On Tuesday 8 May there's a 2m net on 145.575MHz at 19.45 and on Thursday 10 May there's a 4m net on 70.425MHz at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting on Thursday 10 May and on Saturday 12 May they commence their Mills on the Air weekend event. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Monday 7 May Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 8 May Blackmoor Vale Amateur Radio Society is having part 2 of the talk on Japan by Chas, G7ESE. Details from Keith on 01747 851 260.

On Tuesday 8 May Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is holding a natter and on the air night. Contact Nick, M6NJB, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 8 May Plymouth Radio Club is having a talk by Kurt Langfeld, M0KPL on the Hentenna, a theoretical investigation of a miracle. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Wednesday 9 May Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Roger, G4ROJ, on using kites as aerials. Details are online at www.gb2gm.org.

On Wednesday 9 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 10 May Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a talk on aerials and kite flying. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 10 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Monday 7 May Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a portable operating night. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Thursday 10 May Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Internal Fire Museum and amateur radio station at Sarnau, near Cardigan. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Thursday 10 May Marches Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by guest speaker Martyn Vincent, G3UKV, entitled "Solar cycle 24: it's arrived!" Contact the club secretary by email to marchesars@hotmail.co.uk.

699. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 30 April - 06 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 15:30:05 UTC
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# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 April - 06 May 2012

Solar activity was moderate. The week was dominated by low level
C-class x-ray activity from Regions 1469 (S23, L=335, class/area
Eso/140 on 02 May) and 1471 (S21, L=276, class/area=Eho/320 on 02
May) until 05 May. Then, Region 1476 (N10, L=188, class/are=Fhi/760
on 06 May) rotated onto the visible disk and produced three
impulsive M-class flares in approximately 12 hours. The largest of
these was an M1/Sn at 05/1323Z. Only one M1/1n flare was observed
the following day, also from Region 1476, at 06/1747Z.

Several coronal mass ejections (CMEs) were observed during the
period, although only three were deemed to be potentially
earth-directed. The first of the three occurred on 04 May and was
observed in STEREO-Ahead COR2 coronagraph imagery around 0309Z. The
second was associated with a C1 flare from Region 1469 at 04/2356Z.
The third was associated with a long duration C2/Sf flare from
Region 1470 (S15, L=286, class/area=Cro/30 on 05 May) at 05/0639Z
and evidence of the eruption was observed in SDO AIA imagery at
05/0600 UTC. No significant radio emissions were observed with any
of the CMEs.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels (&gt;1000 pfu) for the first three days (30 April-02
May). After a return to normal background levels on 03-04 May, flux
reached moderate levels on 05 and 06 May.

Geomagnetic field activity was at predominantly quiet levels all
week. Unsettled levels occurred late on 02 May into early 03 May
associated with a prolonged period of negative Bz and again late on
03 May in response to a solar sector boundary change. Solar wind
speed measured at the ACE spacecraft ranged from 300-400 km/s
throughout the week.
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Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
07 May - 02 June 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low to moderate as Region 1476 makes its way across the visible solar disk.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels on 11-14 May and again on 23-29 May in response to recurrent coronal hole high speed wind streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin at unsettled levels for 07-08 May in response to a solar sector boundary crossing and CME arrival. The arrival of a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream will bring active levels on 09-11 May. After a brief return to quiet levels, unsettled conditions are expected in response to another coronal hole high speed stream on 14-15 May. Mostly quiet levels are then forecast until 19 May when unsettled to active conditions are expected to accompany the arrival of a coronal hole high speed stream. Active levels will persisit through 23 May followed by a return to quiet conditions through the end of the period.

700. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 7 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 16:52:55 UTC
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VK9PN Lord Howe Island

Posted: 07 May 2012 01:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345196-VK9PN-Lord-Howe-Island&goto=newpost

VK2PN and OK1NG will be active from Lord Howe Island 23-30 May 2012 as VK9PN

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...d-howe-island/

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701. eHam.net News for Monday 7 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-07 22:06:17 UTC
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St. Paul Students to Connect With Astronaut Monday:

Posted: 06 May 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28228

Some middle school students in St. Paul will have a unique opportunity to connect with an astronaut in space on Monday. Students at Farnsworth Aerospace Magnet will have a live conversation with American astronaut Don Pettit who's on board the International Space Station. Students in grades six through eight will talk to Pettit through a HAM radio connection. The students have been studying and researching the space station, as well as learning about the astronauts on board. The opportunity was offered by NASA and facilitated through the Polk County, Wis., HAM radio club, which offered use of its equipment. Members of the radio club have set up antennas and will be on hand Monday for the live chat.

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Valley Group Honors Young CERT Member:

Posted: 06 May 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28227

MAT-SU -- KL3KC Andrew Rose -- with the assistance of AL9A Gary Senesac -- made his first HF contact on March 31 during the Women in Science event with the Girl Scouts and Matanuska Amateur Radio Association. KL7MD Mike O'Keefe awarded him a certificate April 15 to commemorate the event. His QSO -- or on air conversation -- was with VA7TF Tony Fonseca at 1330 hours UTC at frequency 14.259MHz SSB. And that's not all. A few days prior on March 24, Rose took part in his first emergency drill in Talkeetna with the American Red Cross Alaska Chapter and the Upper Susitna Emergency Net, the Mat-Su Valley and Community Emergency Response Team. Rose is now the youngest certified Community Emergency Response Team member in the state.

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Ham Radio Operators Appreciated As A 'Treasure Of Oswego County':

Posted: 06 May 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28226

Fulton -- The members of the Oswego Emergency Communicators/RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) provide much more than emergency communications on amateur radio bands to the local community, Patricia Egan, Director of the Oswego County Emergency Management Office, told the

group recently. "Your members have stepped up to the plate on a number of occasions," Egan said during an Appreciation Night hosted by the Emergency Management Office. "This is a nice opportunity to say 'thank you' to one of the treasures of Oswego County," said Egan. "I am envied by emergency management directors across the state for the caliber of the volunteers here." The 30-plus members of the all-volunteer service provide site-to-site amateur radio communications during drills, exercises, and emergencies for the Emergency Management Office, the Oswego County Local Emergency Planning Committee, and the Oswego County Local Human Needs Committee -- and are ready to provide them during a widespread disaster.

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Spartanburg Ham Radio Pioneer Wins National Thank-You:

Posted: 06 May 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28225

Nitsch wins service award for his efforts: Reynold L. "Fritz" Nitsch of Spartanburg was presented with the national George Hart Distinguished Service Award Saturday for a lifetime of service to amateur radio. The award is given annually by the Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL) to an amateur radio licensee who best exemplifies the principles of amateur radio. Presenting the award during a ceremony at the Spartanburg Fairgrounds were James Boehner, N2ZZ, vice director of the ARRL Roanoke division, and Marc Tarplee, N4UFP, South Carolina section manager. Nitsch, 92, is the only living charter member of the Spartanburg Amateur Radio Club that was founded in 1952. He has held every leadership position within the club and has held a permanent seat on the board of directors since the club's founding. He is still an active member and has participated in every Field Day event. Affectionately known as the "Godfather of Hams in Spartanburg County," he has tutored and mentored, as well as given numerous radio tests, to most local Ham radio operators. He is an avid Morse code enthusiast.

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Wireless Internet and the Alaska Connection:

Posted: 06 May 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28224

FAIRBANKS - Alaskans, like pretty much everyone these days, love their wireless devices. Drop into any coffee shop, bookstore or library and you'll see numerous people glued to laptops and tablets. Log into your Facebook account and you'll likely find a mobile update from some friend who's enduring an airport layover. And, if you're truly brave, go for a jog alongside a highway and start dodging cars and trucks driven by people paying more attention to their smartphones than to their surroundings. What most Alaskans might not realize is that their state has a historic connection to the connectivity that now follows us everywhere. Alex Hills, a retired Carnegie Mellon University professor who played a key role in the development of wireless Internet during the 1990s, and who is now retired and living in Palmer, helped bring radio and telephone service to rural

Alaska in the 1970s. The technical problems he faced there, and the solutions he devised for them, gave him some of the background knowledge he needed to resolve the challenges he faced two decades later in bringing one of the country's first large, wireless networks online. In his breezy and enjoyable memoir, "Wi-Fi and the Bad Boys of Radio," Hills tells the story of how his teenage obsession with radio in the 1950s ultimately led him down a career path that put him in the center of one of the most significant technological advances in recent memory. As a high school student in New Jersey he was already a technology fanatic, spending more time tinkering with his ham radio and communicating by Morse code with people halfway around the planet than with his classmates. It was at this early point that Hills first encountered what he refers to as "The Bad Boys of Radio."

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Free Smartphone App:

Posted: 06 May 2012 04:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28223

The latest version of KY5U Mobile Assets is available free now from http://mobile.ky5u.net . This web based application runs on Android and iOS phones and tablets as well as Webos, PalmOS and Symbian as long as your phone has a browser uilt in.

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Win 500 Free Full-Color QSL Cards:

Posted: 06 May 2012 04:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28218

AmateurRadio.com and KB3IFH QSL Cards have teamed up to give away 500 free full-color QSL cards. The giveaway is open to all licensed hams worldwide. Enter to win between now and May 13, 2012 at 1300 UTC.

702. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 8 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Atlanta Hamfest and GA Section Convention - Sat. June 2 - Marietta GA

Posted: 06 May 2012 01:21 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345143-Atlanta-Hamfest-and-GA-Section-Convention-Sat-June-2-Marietta-GA&goto=newpost

Learn about how today□s radio technology is used or find the tube to make
that old radio go. Visit forums, meet local clubs, take license exams,
explore the vast tailgate area or participate in contests around the park.

Admission $5, 17 and under free. Door prizes include Kenwood TS 590.
Gates open at 8:30.

New Website: http://atlantahamfest.com

703. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 8 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-08 11:05:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d04479f8b6b4d8104bf845c20@google.com>
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Today is Puerto Rico Amateur Radio Operator Day

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/84gFcHwKEos/today_is_puerto_rico_amateur_radio_operator_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Today, Tuesday May 8th the 'capecuatros' (KP4) in Puerto Rico are
celebrating their day, because today is the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio
Operator Day, as provided by Act No. 50 of June 7, 1996, which states that
every second Tuesday of May be held this day

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FDMDV Open Source 1400 bps HF Modem

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8vVFYCwfJKE/fdmdv_open_source_1400bps_hf_modem.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David Rowe VK5DGR has made available open source software for a 1400 bps HF
modem. FDMDV stands for Frequency Division Multiplexed Digital Voice

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Royal Gunpowder Mills on the air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bvgi7YDjre8/royal_gunpowder_mills_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Essex-based Loughton and Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society (LEFARS)
will be operating GB2RGM from the Royal Gunpowder Mills during May 12-13

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 143

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nwgKam7L414/soldersmoke_amateur_radio_podcast_143.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new episode of the SolderSmoke amateur radio Podcast is available

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July Full License Exam in Chesterfield

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/J35uMmDbxG4/july_full_license_exam_in_c

hesterfield.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Book your place on the July Advanced/Full Exam to be held at Staveley near Chesterfield on July 6th at 7pm

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Coast Guard to join Armed Forces Crossband Communications Test

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qhLgVZZRI4c/coastguard_join_crossband_communications_test.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The US Coast Guard will be joining the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines in the 2012 Armed Forces Crossband Test, scheduled for May 12

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Spring 2012 TAPR PSR Journal now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lhCZIfAIvG0/spring_2012_tapr_psr_journal_now_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Spring issue of the free TAPR PSR Journal edited by Stan Horzepa WA1LOU is now available to download

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Ham Nation features Flabob contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KWxc6eU8OEs/ham_nation_features_flabob_contact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARISS contact with Astronaut Don Pettit and Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy students in Jurupa Valley, California was featured on the May 1 episode of the Bob Heil and Gordon West 'Ham Nation' video podcast

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Win 500 free full color QSL Cards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lJcFgwJsB1s/win_500_free_full_color_qsl_cards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AmateurRadio.com is offering a free prize drawing! With the help of our generous sponsor, KB3IFH QSL Cards, we’re holding a drawing for 500 free full-color photo QSL cards. This is a US$75 value and open to all licensed hams worldwide

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EUDOTA - Europe Day On The Air 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aFxGx7UL6vc/eudota.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This Wednesday, 9 May, special callsigns will be in use to commemorate the creation of the EU and European Radio Amateurs' Organization (EURAO)

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FCC seeks higher Vanity Call Sign fee

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IUS4pCuheTo/fcc_seeks_higher_vanity_call_sign_fee.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on May 4, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs

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Italian radio hams back in Somalia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/muUWdNgUDL0/italian_radio_hams_in_somalia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team of Italian amateur radio operators will be active this week from Galkayo, Somalia, as 6O0CW between May 7-18th

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Dayton Hamvention DX Dinner

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7NXnsab4EGE/dayton_hamvention_dx_dinner.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Southwest Ohio DX Association (SWODXA) wants to remind everyone that the DX Dinner is less than three weeks away

704. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 8 May 2012

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Date: 2012-05-08 16:18:47 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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7O6T - Yemen Approved For DXCC Credit

Posted: 05 May 2012 05:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345050-7O6T-Yemen-Approved-For-DXCC-Credit&goto=newpost

For those questioning the legitimacy of the 7O6T operation from Yemen, the answer is that it is approved for DXCC credit. See note below received a few moments ago from the ARRL DXCC Desk.

Subject: Operations approved for DXCC

From: "Moore, Bill, NC1L (ARRL Awards Branch)"

The following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

7O6T - Yemen

Current Operations

6O3A - Somalia

2012 Operation

73 es DX!

Bill Moore NC1L

Awards Branch Manager

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705. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 8 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-08 16:20:19 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Museum Ship weekend on the air

Posted: 07 May 2012 04:33 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345289-Museum-Ship-weekend-on-the-air&goto=newpost

MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND 2012

June 2- 3, 2012

0000Z June 2, through 2359Z June 3, 2012

Over 90 ships all over the world will be in action with their special call
signs. Eight Battleships, 23 Submarines, lightships, Civil War Ironclads,
just to name a few. Google "Museum Ships on the Air" for details. Awards
for those who participate, lots of fun. See you there, Rich K8UV

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New WWSA CW Contest banner

Posted: 07 May 2012 02:37 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345271-New-WWSA-CW-Contest-banner&goto=newpost

wwsabanner2012.jpg

Find :cool:English - Spanish - Portugues - french - German - Italian, etc.
rules

www.wwsatest.org

Attached Images

wwsabanner2012.jpg
(28.2 KB)

706. eHam.net News for Tuesday 8 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-08 22:36:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed95734b04bf8e0287@google.com>
Source record: 3073
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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BA's New Police Radio System Blocks Public Scanner Access:

Posted: 07 May 2012 05:17 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28235

BROKEN ARROW - A new digital radio system using "OpenSky" technology has cleared the way for a greatly improved ability for police and fire departments to communicate with other jurisdictions. But the public is excluded from hearing any dispatch scanner feeds because of its digital encryptions. "It's a little disappointing," said James Taggart, president of the Broken Arrow Amateur Radio Club. "I can't hear anything either anymore. Especially when storms are out, it's nice to be able to listen to it, and it's a nice oversight to have for regular citizens to be able to listen in on them." Police Capt. Mark Irwin said the city is still debating the issue. "The system is so new, we want to make sure we get all the kinks out," he said. "We'll reach a decision on whether we provide media outlets radios."

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Coast Guard to Join Armed Forces Crossband Communications Test:

Posted: 07 May 2012 03:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28234

The US Coast Guard will be joining the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines in the 2012 Armed Forces Crossband Test, scheduled for May 12. In addition to the Coast Guard station, five Army stations, three Air Force stations and six Navy/Marine Corps stations will be on the air to celebrate the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD).

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FCC Seeks Higher Vanity Call Sign Fee:

Posted: 07 May 2012 03:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28233

The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on May 4, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs.

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13 Colonies Special Event 2012:

Posted: 07 May 2012 03:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28232

For the 4th straight year the "Original 13 Colony States" will be on the air! The 13 Colonies Special Event will start June 30th, Saturday, as a bonus day and end July 5th, 2012. Thats six days this year.

707. The ARRL Contest Update for May 9, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-09 05:04:34 UTC
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The ARRL Contest Update

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- High-Performance Receivers by K1DG
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Listen just outside the US ham bands and you'll find military stations
calling and listening on some frequency inside the ham bands. This is
good practice for operating split and you'll receive unique QSL cards,
too. There are lots of short sprint contests to squeeze in around the
spring chores, too!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

The traveling Jim Maxwell W6CF Memorial Trophy is awarded annually to
the highest scoring single operator, operating unassisted within the
state of California in the ARRL CW DX Contest and is not related to
Sweepstakes operating. (Thanks, John K6MM)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

May 12-13
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- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (May 9)
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW (May 11)
- FOC QSO Party--CW
- EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party
- Alessandro Volta RTTY DX Contest
- Armed Forces Communications Test
- CQ-M International DX Contest
- Portuguese Navy Day - Phone, CW
- Nevada Mustang Roundup
- FISTS Spring Sprint--CW
- 50 MHz Spring Sprint
- Worked All Britain - LF Phone
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint (May 17)

May 19-20

- Portuguese Navy Day--Digital
- EU PSK DX Contest
- His Majesty King of Spain Contest--CW
- Feld-Hell Hamvention Sprint
- Baltic Contest
- Run For the Bacon--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

This year's 12th annual US Amateur Radio Direction-Finding (ARDF)
Championships
<http://www.arrl.org/news/ardf-update-register-now-for-the-usa-ardf-championships-in-southern-california>
will be held in Southern California in the mountains east of San Diego
beginning on May 30-31. These well-attended outdoor exercises attract
many spectators and are the qualifying run for the world ARDF
championships to be held in Serbia in September. ARDF is very popular
around the world and a great way to mix ham radio with outdoor sports.

Not only can you support WRTC2014 but you can show your support as
well. The new WRTC2014 store <http://shop.wrtc2014.org/> offers long
and short sleeve t-shirts, polo shirts, sweatshirts, and a cap.
Additional products will be added over time. The store also includes a
'donation' item for those who want to give a little extra to WRTC2014
when they make their purchase. Look for WRTC2014 at booth 354 in the
Dayton Hamvention's Silver Arena. (Thanks, WRTC2014 co-chair, Randy
K5ZD)

A recent QRZ.com feature described a new "interpreter badge
<http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2012/05/04/a-blast-from-the-past-in-code/>"
from the Boy Scouts of America - for Morse code! Scouts that learn to
send and receive at 5 wpm (sound familiar?) earn the right to display
an interpreter badge with code that spells out Morse.

With the number of mobile devices increasing every day, it's surprising
that there aren't more "mobile apps for mobile ops!" Nick N3WG has been
busy creating tools and software as Pignology <http://pignology.net> -

check out his collection of ham apps and growing set of interfaces to some popular portable radios. Using his new Pigtail kit and an iPad, this video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYm4g4kuBco&feature=youtu.be> shows him using the CW Terminal sending CW on a KX3 rig using a Bluetooth keyboard and logging contacts on his Ham Logger app.

Speaking of keyboards, do you miss the full-size keyboards that used to be the norm for computers and electric typewriters? Bob N7RDP recalls, "...they had bounce-free mechanical switches, were heavy enough to stay put and you could type real fast and not have to watch what appeared on the screen. I was surprised to learn such keyboards are still available for PCs from Elite Keyboards <http://elitekeyboards.com>. Typing on one, my fingers just seem to go faster. Or maybe its the clacky sound that makes it seem that way." Charles KG2V found USB equivalents <http://pckeyboard.com/>, too.

The best prescription for ethics is always peer pressure, applied locally, as the PW7T team shows in this short statement <http://www.pw7t.net/2012/02/ethics-drivers-pw7t-team/>. Ethics and fair play keep amateur radiosport fun. (Thanks, Randy K5ZD)

Web Site of the Week - Electronic Design's Lou Frenzel, known by hams as W5LEF, has been busy generating great articles such as "What's The Difference Between Bit Rate And Baud Rate? <http://electronicdesign.com/article/communications/whats-difference-bit-rate-baud-rate-73824?cid=ed_newsletter&NL=1&YM_RID=hwardsil@gmail.com>". If your answer is, "There's a difference?" then you need to read Lou's article.

WORD TO THE WISE

Soapbox - after-the-contest comments are called "Soapbox" because of the somewhat antiquated reference to "standing on one's soapbox" to make a opinion known. Soapboxes haven't been heavy enough to hold a person's weight in about a century but why mess up a good word? Reading the soapbox comments after a contest is part of the fun - check out the ARRL's online Soapbox <http://www.arrl.org/soapbox> for all ARRL contests and be sure to drop in your comment and photos!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

What to do at the Hamvention? A short video <http://www.pvrc.org/webinar/webinars.htm> hosted by Tim K3LR that outlines contest activities at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention has been posted by the Potomac Valley Radio Club (PVRC) - look under the Recorded Webinars link for May 6. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

PBS's program series NOVA recently ran "Secrets of the Sun <http://video.pbs.org/video/2226474716>" about what makes our favorite star run and you can watch the show online, too. (Thanks, Ken K0PP)

Jim K1TN writes, "I really enjoyed TV Bob's (N6TV) photos from Visalia. A lot of work to take them. Really appreciated, Bob. I swear, someday I will make it to Visalia for the convention." As one Visalia-goer commented, "Very high calls-known to calls-seen ratio!"

How does a KX3 kit get assembled? You can watch <http://www.ae5x.com/blog/2012/05/06/kx3-assembly-photos-de-wg0at/> Steve WG0AT do the job through the photos of John AE5X and the slide show ends with a video of the finished product in QSO with Dave AA7EE.

Here's a Lego Mindstorm Sodoku-solving robot <http://youtu.be/Mp8Y2yjV4fU>. This is cool, but can it keep a dupe sheet? (Thanks, Ken W0KAH)

Alright! How can you resist watching a video about a 10000-rpm ping-pong ball and liquid nitrogen? You can't! Here it is <http://www.instructables.com/id/10000-rpm-ping-pong-ball/>!

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Writeup author Nate N4YDU <n4ydu@yahoo.com> writes, "I'm currently working on the results article for the 2012 ARRL DX CW contest. I'm looking for any bad luck or "Murphy" incidents that took place while you were operating or preparing to operate. If I get enough of a response, I'll summarize it in the story...maybe even do a Top Ten!" Wow - an opportunity to tell your tale of woe to the world? Go for it!

Results for the February 2012 NAQP RTTY contest are now online <http://ncjweb.com/naqprttyprelim.php>. "Many new records were set and the final published results will be in the July/August 2012 Issue of the National Contest Journal. See you again in NAQP RTTY on July 21." (Thanks, NAQP RTTY Contest Manager, Mark K6UFO)

Results for the 2011 edition of the CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest <http://www.cqmmdx.com/results/results-2011/> are now online. (Thanks, Luc PY8AZT)

Results of the European Sprint CW Contest <http://rk3awl.ru/eusprint/> held on April 14th are now available online, too, three days after the log deadline! (Thanks, EU Sprint Referee, Dmitri RW3FO)

OPERATING TIP

Have two or three different models of headphones available for long contests. A single set can create sore spots on your ears or temples that gets maddening by Sunday afternoon. Having a couple of different sets helps prevent that distraction. The same goes for chair cushions!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

EDN magazine recently published "High-performance HF transceiver design: A ham's perspective <http://www.edn.com/article/521690-High_performance_HF_transceiver_design_A_ham_s_perspective.php>"
by contester and WRTC2014 co-chair, Doug K1DG. The article goes into

detail about the environment in which contest-grade receivers must not only operate but excel. There are several graphics of the spectrum during the 2012 CQ Worldwide 160 Meter CW contest including a waterfall display that will keep you busy trying to read it for a while.

Magazine Roundup

- Electronic Design (5 April) - "Understanding Solutions for the Crowded Electromagnetic Spectrum <http://electronicdesign.com/article/communications/understanding-solutions-crowded-electromagnetic-frequency-spectrum-73611>" by Lou Frenzel W5LEF, covering VHF through microwave, FCC regulation, and upcoming technology solutions to the problem.
- IEEE Spectrum (April) - "Poor Man's Solder Reflow Oven <http://spectrum.ieee.org/geek-life/hands-on/the-poor-mans-solder-reflow-oven>" for adding reflow soldering to your homebrew electronics capability.
- IEEE Spectrum (March) - "Pocket Scope Roundup <http://spectrum.ieee.org/geek-life/hands-on/pocket-oscilloscope-review-roundup>" reviews four different mini-scopes that fit in your hand, "DIY Manufacturing <http://spectrum.ieee.org/geek-life/hands-on/turning-a-diy-project-into-a-product>" about turning your one-off project into a real product, and a "Reflections" editorial by Robert Lucky asking, "Is Math Still Relevant? <http://spectrum.ieee.org/at-work/education/is-math-still-relevant>"

Jack K6JEB posted this video showing his technique for winding toroids <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GT44U10WqRA&hd=1> by using a "stitching pony" made from a lacquered or plastic chopstick.

Portable operators who hike or camp will enjoy Charlie W6JJZ describing his design for a TFD(Trail Friendly Doublet <http://adventure-radio.org/ars/pages/back_issues/1998_text/0698_text/ffd.html>) in this old Adventure Radio Society Sojourner article. (Thanks, Ted AA5CK)

Two notes on everybody's favorite building material - here's an article from Instructables on how to bend PVC pipe <http://www.instructables.com/id/Bending-PVC-pipe-Just-because-you-can/> and there are lots more ideas in the comments. And those plastic plumbing fittings you were looking for that join three pipes in a right-angled corner? They're called "90° side outlet elbows (slip)" "Slip" means for unthreaded connections. Enjoy.

The Spitfire Array <http://www.yccc.org/Articles/Spitfire/spitfire.htm> designed by Fred K1VR uses a conventional grounded quarter-wave tower as the driven element and adds a parasitic reflector and director. What is unique about this array is that the parasitic elements are sized to be half-wave elements which are not grounded and are bent into a triangle shape. In addition, Rudy N6LF covers a number of single-support low-band arrays <http://rudys.typepad.com/ant/files/antenna_array_single_support.pdf>

in his March/April 2003 National Contest Journal article with a list of good references, as well. (Thanks, Tree N6TR and Jon AA1K)

Linear Technology's Design Note 1027 "Optimizing the Performance of Very Wideband Direct <http://cds.linear.com/docs/Design%20Note/dn1027f.pdf> Conversion Receivers <http://cds.linear.com/docs/Design%20Note/dn1027f.pdf>" is an interesting read. DC receivers are grabbing a lot of "market share" in the commercial wireless world.

While browsing through a technical book list, I came upon the classic, "Inductance Calculations" by Frederick Grover seen at right. Reprinted by Dover from the 1946 and 1973 editions, this inexpensive volume has just about every possible formula for inductance. It's fun to just open the book randomly and try to figure out what prompted the need for "Mutual Inductance of Inclined Circular Filaments Whose Axes Intersect, but Not at the Center of Either" (page 204).

On Marconi's birthday, John AE5X, "...decided to build a coherer <http://www.ae5x.com/blog/2012/04/25/my-video-tribute-to-marconi-and-branly/> since all the parts were already on hand. I don't understand the physics of it but it is a neat little device...seems to have a range of about a foot w/o an "antenna". After making the video I found that dipole-like leads attached to the coherer and QRP spark transmitter increased the range to 8 feet."

Two IEEE Antennas and Propagation Magazine articles by Steve Best VE9SRB answer a lot of questions about how antennas interact with electromagnetic fields.

- S.R. Best, "A Tutorial on the Scattering and Receiving Properties of Antennas" (Oct 2009)
- S.R. Best, "The Receiving and Scattering Properties of a Finite Dipole Array" (Dec 2011)

Both are available through your local library or possible a university or technical department library.

If you're in the market for new antenna work ropes, check out Martin OL5Y's company, Mastrant <http://www.mastrant.com/>, maker of synthetic rope for guying applications. There are two types: "P", which is a polyester Dacron-equivalent and "D" which is Dyneema, a high-weight poly rope. The rope stretches a bit more than Phillystran over time but is great for temporary guys and permanent use for supporting wire antennas. (Thanks, Doug K1DG)

Technical Web Site of the Week - Tim K3LR reports that, "W6NL has sent me an update to his original work. It is labeled as - Updated Moxon document 2012 and W8WWV has contributed a wonderful paper on various NEC model results of the W6NL 2 element 40 meter Moxon. It is labeled as - W8WWV investigates W6NL Moxon 40 meter models. You can find all four posted documents relating to the W6NL Moxon in the Station Engineering folder of k3lr.com <http://www.k3lr.com/>.

==> CONVERSATION

They've a Name

With the Dayton Hamvention and many local and regional hamfests coming up, it's time to review the zoology that makes each and every hamfest a unique and interesting experience for buyers and sellers alike!

Venerable Sages - Like spirits on Christmas Eve, these hamfest haunts appear from nowhere, wizened and wrinkled, call sign badge bearing the markings of extreme age. You will be told A Story that you will have never heard before about hams you may have never heard of. Yet it will be fascinating! Some day in the future, when you least expect it, that story will supply a crucial detail, amazing your friends and enemies alike. Learn to listen to the sage!

Disorder Demons - There is a special position down there in the hot place where the guy with the red cape and pointy stick lives for the people who handle your carefully-sorted parts and put them back in the wrong boxes or trays. An unsuspecting buyer gets home and begins work on a project only to find that the ninth part out of ten is mismatched. At next year's hamfest, you get blamed for it.

Benevelonians - Particularly fond of new hams and kids in general, these fine folks take the hamfest role of doting uncles and aunts. No matter how shy the child or unsure the novice, a Benevelonian will always come up with some trinket or extra part to give away or add to the sale. "I've got just the thing for YOU!" they say, eyes twinkling, producing a perfectly chosen gift or gadget for which they won't accept a cent.

Burrowers - As we all know, the best bargains are often on the floor under the tables so a Burrower gets down on hands and knees, no matter how crowded the aisle, proceeding to root through every single box and bag, spreading and sorting the collection, creating chaos and convincing your real customers to cross the aisle to "come back later". They will then offer one-tenth the asking price on a single coil of wire and leave it on the table when you don't sell it to them.

Explainers - An inquisitive buyer inevitably asks the one question about an item to which you don't know the answer. "Will this work with my 1983 Festalon Maglerator?" Unbidden, a hitherto unnoticed Explainer standing nearby will turn and deliver an authoritative and often exhaustive reply to the question, leaving both buyer and seller speechless and astounded. The Explainer will then purchase an obscure item from your table costing less than a dollar and disappear, never to be seen again.

Hamfest Cowbirds - The cowbird lays eggs in the nest of other birds for its chicks to be raised by the hapless parents. Similarly, the hamfest cowbird leaves its junk on your table so you get to dispose of it. While you're engaged with another customer, they put their item on one end of the table and feign great interest in some other doo-dads, slowly migrating along the table until at the opposite end from their

"egg" which they leave behind. You discover the ruse when somebody asks, "How much you want for this?" while holding up the surprise you now own.

Biographers - No matter what you pick up from their table, they know its entire history beginning with the digging of the ore and the smelting of the copper. They know the call signs of every owner (before and after vanity calls) and whether they smoked and what got worked with that particular radio. They always have the manual. The only thing they're not sure of is whether a particular item is actually functional but you've had so much fun learning about it you buy it anyway.

Gravity Testers - I'm sure they spend the morning greasing up their fingers with special non-stick coatings. Once at your table, they'll lift up a fragile item and then..."Oops!" Or they'll hold that power transformer over a flawless radio cabinet and..."Oops!" A variation on this theme is to reach for something in the back or down the table and..."Oops!"...knock over a stack of books or gear. Yes, gravity has been found to be fully operational at your table.

Cats In the Hat - I like these colorful hamfest denizens, usually adorned with bright clothes, patches, enough enameled pins to distort the local magnetic field, friendly and loud and they know your name (or think they do), and have a handshake for everybody! They often leave your table messed up and buyers forget what they were interested in but everybody has a smile on their face afterward. You just have to watch out for Thing One and Thing Two.

And so our hamfest memories are made - of characters old and young, rich and poor, scallywag and Samaritan alike. It wouldn't be the same without the slightly daffy denizens of our tribe, would it? Look at the time, they'll be opening the gates in an hour - happy shopping!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from May 9, 1300Z -- multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name, member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, from May 11, 0200Z to May 11, 0300Z. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules

<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

FOC QSO Party--CW, from May 12, 0000Z to May 12, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name, FOC member number. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.g4foc.org/>

EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party--CW, from May 12, 1000Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Exchange: RST, name, club, member number. Logs due: Jun 30. Rules <http://www.eucw.org/>

Alessandro Volta RTTY DX Contest--Digital, from May 12, 1200Z to May 13, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, CQ zone. Logs due: Jun 30. Rules <http://www.contestvolta.com/>

Armed Forces Communications Test--Phone,Digital, from May 12, 1200Z to May 13, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: See website for specific station schedules. Exchange: RS(T). Logs due: no logs. Rules <http://www.netcom.army.mil/mars>

CQ-M International DX Contest--Phone,CW, from May 12, 1200Z to May 13, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cq-m.andys.ru/>

Portuguese Navy Day--Phone,CW, from May 12, 1500Z to May 13, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial, CQ zone. Logs due: 20 days. Rules <http://www.nra.pt/>

Nevada Mustang Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 12, 1700Z to May 13, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or NV county. Logs due: Jun 15. Rules <http://www.nvqsoparty.info/>

FISTS Spring Sprint--CW, from May 12, 1700Z to May 13, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, name, FISTS nr or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>

Worked All Britain - LF Phone--Phone, from May 13, 1000Z to May 13, 1400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-7. Exchange: RS, serial, and WAB nr or DXCC entity. Logs due: 21 days. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from May 17, 0030Z to May 17, 0230Z. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

Portuguese Navy Day--Digital, from May 19, 0800Z to May 19, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, CQ zone. Logs due: 20 days. Rules <http://www.nra.pt/>

EU PSK DX Contest--Digital, from May 19, 1200Z to May 20, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and EU area code or serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.eu.srars.org/>

His Majesty King of Spain Contest--CW, from May 19, 1200Z to May 20, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial or EA province. Logs due: Jun 10. Rules <http://www.ure.es/>

Feld-Hell Hamvention Sprint--Digital, from May 19, 1500Z - multiple operating periods, monthly on 3rd Saturday. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

Baltic Contest--Phone,CW, from May 19, 2100Z to May 20, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: Jul 1. Rules <http://www.lrsf.lt/bcontest/english/rules_html.htm>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from May 20, 0200Z to May 20, 0400Z. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Nevada Mustang Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 12, 1700Z to May 13, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or NV county. Logs due: Jun 15. Rules <http://www.nvqsoparty.info/>

50 MHz Spring Sprint--Phone,CW,Digital, from May 12, 2300Z to May 13, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: Grid square (6-character preferred). Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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- May 9, 2012 Low Power Spring Sprint <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/lowpowerspringsprint2010.pdf>
- May 10, 2012 ARS Spartan Sprint <http://adventure-radio.org/wiki/index.php?title=Spartan_Sprint_Rules>
- May 10, 2012 432 MHz Spring Sprint <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules>
- May 14, 2012 10-10 Int. Spring Contest, Digital <http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSO%20Party%20Rules.pdf>
- May 14, 2012 JIDX CW Contest <http://www.jidx.org/jidxrule-e.html>
- May 14, 2012 Helvetia Contest <http://www.uska.ch/fileadmin/download/Contest/KW/1-static/KW-Contest_english_2010.pdf>
- May 14, 2012 RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>
- May 15, 2012 Yuri Gagarin International DX Contest <http://gc.qst.ru/en/section/32>
- May 15, 2012 Georgia QSO Party <http://www.georgiaqsoparty.org/>
- May 15, 2012 North Dakota QSO Party <http://www.k0ln.com/ndqso12.pdf>
- May 15, 2012 QCWA Spring QSO Party <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.pdf>
- May 18, 2012 Ontario QSO Party <http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/rules.htm>
- May 19, 2012 TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_dpx_rules.html>

- May 20, 2012 ES Open HF Championship
<http://www.erau.ee/index.php?Itemid=94>
- May 21, 2012 Michigan QSO Party <http://www.miqp.org/Rules.htm>
- May 21, 2012 10-10 Int. Spring Contest, CW
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSO%20Party%20Rules.pdf>
- May 21, 2012 Microwave Spring Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules>
- May 21, 2012 ARI International DX Contest
<http://www.ari.it/images/stories/ContestHF/ARI_Intern_DX_Contest_2012_Rules.pdf>
- May 22, 2012 EA-QRP CW Contest
<http://www.eaqrp.com/index.php/actividades/concurso/24-actividades/concurso-eaqrp/71-concurso-eaqrp-cw-bases>
- May 22, 2012 YU DX Contest
<http://www.yu1srs.org.rs/dl/yudx/Files/yudxrules_2012_eng.pdf>

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708. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 9 May 2012

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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Multi-Club Field Day Special Event K3F CambriaRadio.com

Posted: 07 May 2012 08:15 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345317-Multi-Club-Field-Day-Special-Event-K3F-CambriaRadio-com&goto=newpost

Emergency Communications Are

Tested During Amateur Radio Field Day

☐Multi-Club Field Day☐

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FieldDay@CambriaRadio.com

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Cambria County ARES AEC

The Cambria Radio Club and the Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club will be testing emergency communications from 2 PM EST June 23rd to 5 PM EST June 24th, 2012.

Every year, amateur radio operators (also known as ☐hams☐) around the country come together to conduct what is known as ☐Field Day☐. The objective is to test and become more familiar with our radio systems as well as the radio systems of other operators. During this time, we operate our radios, and work to contact operators around the country and the world. We then use this information to know where we are able to contact in the case of an emergency. This also proves the reliability of amateur radio operations.

For 2012, the newly formed Cambria Radio Club in Johnstown, has joined forces with the Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club in Altoona to create a ☐Multi-Club Field Day☐.

The CRC and HARC members believe this would be a great opportunity for the community to come see how amateur radio works. Individuals will be able to

learn some important skills for emergency situations and have the opportunity to earn their amateur radio license. (FREE VE TEST SESSION*)

We are also planning other activities besides amateur radio such as crafts for children and other general activities to interest everyone. Under the supervision of a licensed operator, everyone will also have the opportunity to operate the radio equipment.

Often people do not know what role amateur radio operators play, but with local media□s help, the community can be informed and further prepared for emergency situations. You do not have to be an amateur radio operator to benefit from amateur radio. In a disaster, when power is out, and when storms are ravaging your area, hams will be operating and communicating with emergency services.

Field Day is a great opportunity for everyone to learn how to utilize amateur radio without actually being licensed or owning any equipment. We hope to see you there. Visit CambriaRadio.com for full detail and special giveaways.

LOCATION:

New Germany Grove Hall

1635 New Germany Road

Summerhill, PA 15958

*Interested individuals must sign up for FREE VE Test Session by clicking this Test Session Link or copy and past this URL into your Internet browser http://www.cambriaradio.com/VE_Test_Session.html

Please sign up before June 15, 2012. Remeber you must bring two valid forms of ID. Please email any questions you have on the test session to VETEAM@CambriaRadio.com

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

709. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 9 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-09 11:08:46 UTC
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Beijing cites Ham Radio in Scarborough Reef dispute

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A website claims correspondance between the Philippine Amateur Radio Association and the ARRL supports Beijing's territorial ambitions in Scarborough Reef

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FM interference to Linear Transponder Satellites

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9AMou6iudBU/fm_interference_to_linear_transponder_satellites.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To an FM operator, 145.8-146.0 MHz may seem to be empty, it is not! These frequencies are used by weak signal SSB/CW satellite transponders and even a few watts of FM can cause severe interference

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Summits on the Air (SOTA) - Achievements North of the Border

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The most mountainous part of the UK is of course Scotland. The GM association boasts over 1200 qualifying SOTA summits, compared to less than 200 in both of Wales and England. Scotland also has an active community of SOTA activators, four of whom have recently made significant achievements in the programme

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Bicycle Ham Radio

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Hessu Jarvinen OH6FXL has made a brief video of his amateur radio station for VHF/UHF FM and APRS which is mounted on his bicycle

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Dxpedition to Isle of Skye

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After the success of our recent trip to Scilly we are pleased to announce
that the Wessex Contest Group will be making a trip to the Isle of Skye

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Amateur Radio Instructors' Newsletter April 2012

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XtmIoQPGI3Q/amateur_radio_instructors_newsletter_april_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The April issue of the Amateur Radio Instructors' Newsletter is now
available for free download

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Conway Reef DXpedition

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An international team of amateur radio operators will be active as 3D2C
from Conway Reef (OC-112) between September 24th and October 5th

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Tony Sale: Computer restoration memorial prize launched

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The life of Tony Sale, who was best known for his work in re-creating the
Colossus computer at Bletchley Park, is to be commemorated by the creation
of an award for the best computer restoration project

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CQ introduces full-color 'DX World Guide'

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CQ Communications, Inc., today announced the publication of the third
edition of the DX World Guide, by Franz Langner, DJ9ZB. This 384-page
DXer's guidebook is the first edition using color throughout and the first
to be entirely in English

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Beijing cites Ham Radio in Scarborough Reef dispute

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Beijing cites Ham Radio in Scarborough Reef dispute

A website claims correspondance between the Philippine Amateur Radio Association and the ARRL supports Beijing's territorial ambitions in Scarborough Reef.

Scarborough Reef, also known as Panatag Shoal or Bajo de Masinloc is located between the Macclesfield Bank and Luzon Island of the Philippines. It has seen several major DXpeditions over the years.

The report on the Sina website relating to amateur radio says

"Then Philippine ambassador to Germany indicated clearly in his letter to a German radio amateur on February 5, 1990 that, Huangyan Island [Scarborough Shoal/Bajo de Masinloc] was not within the Philippine territory and sovereignty according to the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority of the Philippines.

"The documents issued by the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority of the Philippines and the Philippine amateur radio organization to the American Radio Relay League on October 18 and November 18, 1994 had also confirmed respectively that the Philippine territorial limits and sovereignty was stipulated by the Article 3 of the Treaty of Paris (1889)."

Source: http://english.sina.com/china/2012/0507/465632.html

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Update of the popular SDR (RX and TX) software now available

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345394-Update-of-the-popular-SDR-(RX-and-TX)-software-now-available&goto=newpost

Hi Everybody;

We have finally finished the V2.4 and it is now available though the MDSR Yahoo user group. It will also be available through our official MDSR webpage. It can be found in the MDSR V2.4 folder in the files sections.

Everybody should update to version 2.4. to get the latest benefits of the MDSR development. Before installing close the MDSR application if you already using MDSR. Installation will take a few minutes. All the calibration and setup data will stay in place.

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/mdsradio/ (Please sign up as a user to get the software)

http://users.skynet.be/myspace/mdsr/

What is new?

Will install on WinXP, Vista and Win7 (32 and 64bit)Support for the Arduino Frequency counter (instructions and firmware are included in this release). Improved GUI Improved filteringUpdated help filesSome bug fixes □ reported by users

We want to thank everybody that was giving us input to make this software happen.

Special thanks to Guy (ON6MU) for his hard work to program the MDSR SA and the implementation of OmniRIG.

Thanks to Alex Shovkoplyas for the use of the OmniRIG interface

Also special thanks to Adam (VA7OJ) for the use of his test lab and the advice, that let us pass the FCC requirement for TX spurious emissions.

All the best and thanks for supporting the MDSR development. Please tell al your friend about this development.

All the software and source code is free as long as it is used for HAM radio.

Thanks;

Alex

VE7DXW

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New Kenwood TS 990

Posted: 07 May 2012 05:27 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345295-New-Kenwood-TS-990&goto=newpost

Here is the new bord baby from Kenwood, dual RX, dual watch, 2xUSB, one ethernet, 200W and dual display...looks very different than any other kenwood I've ever seen. Picture just showed up today in QST. More info most likely at Dayton next week.

73 de VE3GNO Daniel

Attached Images

TS990.jpg
(675.7 KB)

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ANS-127 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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Volunteers are needed to help at the AMSAT booth at Dayton. Gould Smith, WA4SXM, is looking for volunteers to help man the AMSAT booth during the 2012 Hamvention. People are needed all 3 days for 2 hour shifts. Please send the days and times you are available to help as well as how many shifts you are willing to work via e-mail to wa4sxm at amsat.org. Monitor the AMSAT at Dayton web pages for latest news and developments.

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2012 AMSAT Forum at Dayton - Saturday May 19

The AMSAT Forum at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention will be on Saturday morning May 19 from 11:15 to 13:30 in Forum Room 5. The moderator will be Alan Biddle, WA4SCA

The speakers will be:

Barry Baines, WD4ASW; AMSAT Status Report

Barry, AMSAT President, will highlight recent activities within AMSAT, and discuss some of the challenges and accomplishments of the organization.

Mark Hammond, N8MH; AMSAT Educational Relationships

Mark, AMSAT VP of Educational Relationships, will discuss his education activities.

Gould Smith, WA4SXM; ARISSat-1 Operation in Space

Gould, AMSAT Project Manager for ARISSat-1, will talk about its operation aboard the ISS, the deployment and operations this past fall and winter.

Tony Monteiro, AA2TX; Project Fox - AMSAT's First CubeSat

Tony, AMSAT Engineering VP, will discuss the design and status of Project-FOX.

Howard Long, G6LVB; "FUN in Space for All!"

Howard, AMSAT-UK Committee, will discuss the FUNcube project which will enable amateurs and students to have FUN in space. For amateurs, the spacecraft will carry conventional UHF to VHF linear transponders. For students of all ages, the same spacecraft will provide strong telemetry transmissions which they can easily receive at schools in support of science, technology, engineering, and math subjects (STEM).

[ANS thanks Gould Smith, WA4SXM and Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

Fox-1 Satellite Project Team Completes Preliminary Design Review

The Fox Project completed its Preliminary Design Review (PDR) over three nights, 24-26 April 2012. Mechanical, RF, control, power, and related issues were reviewed. The current status was evaluated, and the needed development for various systems was refined. AMSAT Engineering Vice President Tony Monteiro, AA2TX, characterized the review as very productive.

Help Wanted Fox-1 Satellite

AMSAT is in need of an experienced RF designer for our Fox-1 satellite. Due to ITAR restrictions, you must be a US citizen or permanent resident. If interested please send an email with your phone number to Tony Monteiro - AA2TX@amsat.org

Fox-1 Targets Launch in 2013

Project ELaNa, NASA's "Educational Launch of NanoSat" managed by the Launch Services Program at the Kennedy Space Center, announced on February 10 that the AMSAT Fox-1 cubesat has been selected to join the program. AMSAT is working with NASA in a collaborative agreement where NASA will cover the integration and launch costs. Fox-1 was selected to join the NASA ELaNa program on merit in support of NASA strategic and educational goals.

AMSAT's Fox-1 project timeline is based on targeting a launch in the second half of 2013. NASA will determine on which flight each of the Project ELaNa CubeSats are launched.

Highlights of the Fox-1 design include:

Fox-1 is designed as the immediate replacement for AO-51. Its U/V FM transponder with a VHF downlink will be easier to hear with small antennas.The same radio equipment used for AO-51 (HT + handheld beam) can be used for Fox-1.Fox-1 sends telemetry in a sub-audible band on the downlink allowing simultaneous voice contacts with telemetry decode. AMSAT will provide free sound-card PC software.Includes science experiment using MEMS gyros being developed by Penn State students.

Find more details of AMSAT Fox-1 Project on-line.

Donate to the Fox-1 Project Fund on-line at http://www.amsat.org; scroll down halfway to the PayPal donation widget - or at the AMSAT Store.

NASA's Cubesat Launch Initiative web page is online.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Engineering Vice-President Tony Monteiro, AA2TX and Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

AMSAT Awards

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO says congratulations are in order for our latest AMSAT Awards recipients.

The following have entered into the Satellite Communicators Club for making their first satellite QSO.

Brent Ocken, KJ6MRGElizabeth Royer, KB3WSW

The following have earned the AMSAT Communications Achievement Award.

Hector Luis Martinez Sis, CO6CBF, #547Marcelo Teruel, IK0USO #549

The following have earned the South Africa Satellite Communications Achievement Award.

Hector Luis Martinez Sis, CO6CBF, #US178

The following have earned their Robert W. Barbee, Jr. W4AMI Award.

Tom Deeble, KA6SIP #77Clayton Coleman, W5PFG #78

To see all the awards visit http://www.amsat.org.

[ANS thanks Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

Satellite Operations Planned for Worldwide Museum Ships Weekend

Museum Ships Weekend Coming Up June 2-3, 2012

by Allen F. Mattis, N5AFV, n5afv@amsat.org

The worldwide Museum Ships Weekend Event (MSWE) will be held for two days, June 2-3, 2012. Last year 83 ships in 13 countries around the world participated in the event. Amateur radio operators make special event contacts from these museum ships on all amateur radio bands with most of the contacts taking place on the HF bands. In the past

several years only two or three museum ships in North America have made satellite contacts during the event.

This year a number of Houston area AMSAT members, W5ACM, N5AFV and WC5WM, will participate with the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (BVARC) operating club station KK5W from Seawolf Park on Pelican Island in Galveston, Texas. Seawolf Park is home to two Second World War vintage museum ships - the destroyer escort USS Stewart (DE-238) and the submarine USS Cavalla (SS-244). As a result, a contact with KK5W counts for two ships. Amateur radio operators who make contacts with 15 or more ships qualify for a handsome certificate.

The BVARC KK5W station plans to operate the afternoon passes of AO-27 and FO-29 on Saturday June 2nd and hope other AMSAT members will be operating from other ships. This will be their fifth year participating in the MSWE and hope to make their first MSWE satellite contact with another museum ship this year.

If any AMSAT members are interested in this event they may visit the MSWE website to find out if

any museum ships near them are participating.

[ANS thanks Allen Mattis, N5AFV for the above information]

Changes to the IARU Satellite Advisor Region 1

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Satellite Advisor's Advisory Panel assists builders and prospective builders of satellites that will operate on frequencies allocated by the ITU to the Amateur Service. This panel provides frequency coordination, a comprehensive set of standards guidelines, and international forums.

The IARU Satellite Adviser is Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV. This week AMSAT-DL President Peter Gülzow, DB2OS recommended to the IARU Satellite

Adviser that Mike Rupprecht takes over membership of the advisory panel from Norbert Nothoff. Hans agreed to appoint Mike, DK3WN as a panel member. He thanked Norbert, DF5DP for his support as a member of the Advisory panel for many years and is looking forward to working with Mike.

Mike Rupprecht, DK3WN will help with the IARU Satellite Frequency Coordination process in Region 1 and in particular in Germany. Mike is very active and well known on the satellite bands and Internet boards, and he has particularly profound knowledge of all cubesat operations. He is also very well known in the community of cubesat operators, including excellent communication connections with those groups.

Mike Rupprecht, DK3WN will support Norbert Nothoff, DF5DP and take over the coordination process of satellite projects from him, which includes correspondence with the coordination group and the satellite operators.

Norbert Nothoff, DF5DP will continue to stay in charge of anything which is related to government issues (government and office liaison, laws, bylaws, and regulations of satellite operations) in Germany.

The following serve on the IARU Satellite Advisor's Advisory Panel:

IARU Satellite Advisor

Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV

Region 1

Graham Shirville, G3VZV

Mike Rupprecht, DK3WN

Region 2

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

Art Feller, W4ART

Region 3

Shizuo Endo, JE1MUI

Special Advisors

Ray Soifer, W2RS

Jan King, VK4GEY/W3GEY

The IARU Satellite page has more information.

The status of all satellites requesting coordination and those which have already received coordination can be found online.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-DL President Peter Gülzow, DB2OS for the above information]

New Frequencies for AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1

The DNEPR-1 launch in October 2012 could carry around 10 amateur radio satellites including FUNcube-1 into space. As a result the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) satellite advisory panel have had to carefully coordinate the planned operating frequencies in order to minimize the risk of interference between FUNcube-1 and other payloads on the same launch.

The IARU Amateur Satellite Frequency Coordination Panel have now confirmed the following frequencies for FUNcube-1 (these frequencies replace those previously announced)

FUNcube-1 New Frequencies

Inverting linear transponder

Uplink 435.150 ☐ 435.130 MHz (replacing 435.080 - 435.060 MHz)

Downlink 145.950 ☐ 145.970 MHz (replacing 145.960 - 145.980 MHz)

Telemetry: 145.935 MHz BPSK (replacing 145.955 MHz)

UKube-1

Uplink 435.060 - 435.040 MHz

Downlink 145.940 - 145.960 MHz

Telemetry 145.840 MHz

FUNcube sub system beacon 145.925 MHz

S Band downlink 2401.500 MHz

myPocketQub 437.425 - 437.525 MHz

Delfi-n3Xt

Inverting linear transponder:

Uplink 435.530 - 435.570 MHz

Downlink 145.880 - 145.920 MHz

Telemetry 145.870 MHz and 145.930 MHz

High Speed 2405.00 MHz

Also on this launch two additional satellites Triton-1 and Triton-2 will include two similar secondary amateur radio payloads, being two single channel mode U/V (435-145MHz) FM to DSB transponders. After their three month science mission is complete plans are to have the satellite continue in the Amateur Satellite Service for as long as possible.

Triton-1

Main Downlink 145.815 MHz (FM to DSB transponders similar to AO-16)

Backup Downlink 145.860 MHz

The UHF uplink frequencies will be announced by the project team

once the satellite becomes available for amateur operations.

Triton-2

Main Downlink 145.860 MHz FM to DSB transponder

Backup Downlink 145.815 MHz

S-band downlink 2408.00 MHz FM to FM transponder

The UHF uplink frequencies will be announced by the project team

once the satellite becomes available for amateur operations.

The IARU Satellite Coordination data for all of the satellites can be found online.

Gunter's Space Page (September 2012) lists the proposed manifest for the DNEPR-1 launch.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK and the IARU Satellite Advisory Panel for the above information]

Delfi-C3 (DO-64) Celebrates 4 Years On-Orbit

The Technical University of Delft in the Netherlands celebrated the fourth anniversary on-orbit of their student-developed, and -built Delfi-C3 3U Cubesat. Launched on April 28, 2008 aboard PSLV-C9 it was also designated DO-64 by AMSAT.

Delfi-C3 the first nano-satellite project from the Delfi program of TU Delft. The program gives students the opportunity to gain practical experience, but the university would also develop with new technology. A small satellite is a relatively inexpensive test platform for new technology of Dutch aerospace companies including thin-film solar cells of Dutch Space solar and autonomous wireless sensors.

This satellite also invited amateur radio participation to receive its telemetry downlink using ordinary equipment used by amateur satellite operators. The Delfi-C3 team provides the RASCAL software to decode and forward the data to TU Delft. The software can be downloaded at: http://tinyurl.com/DelfiC3-RASCAL (www.delfispace.nl).

The satellite continues to transmit telemetry for stations who wish to experiment using the BPSK decoder:

Primary telemetry downlink: 145.870 MHz 1200 Baud BPSK AX.25 400mWBackup telemetry downlink: 145.930 MHz 1200 Baud BPSK AX.25 400mWThe 435 MHz up/145 MHz down linear transponder is out of service.

Delfi-C3 pioneer Jeroen Rotteveel said "It is great to see that our satellite is still performing, especially when you consider that it is an experimental satellite built by students. From this one small satellite project a complete nanosatellite program has been set up. A spin-off company, ISIS, focusing on providing components for small satellites was created."

Future satellite development at TU Delft includes:

Delfi-n3Xt

Delfi-n3Xt will fly an active attitude control system controlling the satellite's orientation of Delfi-n3Xt with a system of sensors so that the solar panels maintain optimum sun pointing. It will test a new type of engine for small satellites.

Delfi-n3Xt, equipped with a linear transponder will be launched in October, 2012 aboard a Russian Dnepr rocket along with dozens of other small satellites which include UKube 1, FUNcube 1, which all will carry an amateur radio linear transponder. Triton 1, and Triton 2 satellites on this launch will feature FM-to-DSB and FM-to-FM transponders.

QB50

After Delfi-n3Xt, TU Delft will work on two nano satellites to fly as part of the 50 Cubesat constellation in the QB50 project. QB50 is a European collaborative mission with fifty scattered satellites in orbit around the Earth performing measurements on the upper layer of the atmosphere.

OLFAR

This project will develop a radio-telescope based on a swarm of nano satellites in orbit around the moon measuring signals from deep space. OLFAR (Orbiting Low Frequency Antenna for Radioastronomy) is an important milestone from which Delfi-C3 was the first step.

Find more information about the TU Delft satellites at:

http://www.delfispace.nl

http://www.isispace.nl

[ANS thanks TU Delft, the Delfi-C3 Team, and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Ecuador NEE-01 Pegasus Cubesat Plans Classroom Access to Satellite

Ecuador's first satellite NEE-01 Pegasus is slated to launch in October 2012 on the same DNEPR rocket as the AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1, UKube-1, Delfi-n3Xt, Triton-1, and Triton-2, along with several additional cubesats.

One of the satellite's objectives is to serve as a space platform for elementary education. The satellite will send two signals that will be received and decoded by the EXA□s HERMES-A ground station in Guayaquil and then uploaded live to the Internet using Twitter and Facebook.

The first signal will contain text book questions and the second will contain an image related to the question. If the students are able to answer the question correctly they will be granted access to the video camera onboard the spacecraft and will be able to see earth from space as the astronauts see it in their space missions.

More advanced students will have access to the pure radio signal so they can try decoding it by themselves. The EXA will provide them with the appropriate support software free of charge.

There is an onboard camera to send live video from space from a 3 watt TV transmitter in the 902 MHz band along with a beacon that will send an ID and Ecuador□s national anthem.

The cubesat will help monitoring near-earth objects from orbit using its onboard 720p HD video camera and will also help in the catalog and control of orbital debris (space junk), this new mission will turn the NEE-01 in to the first online, real time orbital video sentry for the planet, as the satellite has the capability to stream its video signal directly to the Internet.

Additional NEE-01 Pegasus Cubesat mission goals include:

Technological demonstration/EducationTest of real time video transmissionTest of Thermal/Radiation shieldTest of multiphase solar arrayTest of passive antenna deploymentTest of carbon nanotubes thermal control system

AMSAT-UK posted news and photos of NEE-01 Pegasus.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK. The AMSAT front page news at http://www.amsat.org has the instructionsto submit your nominations. The 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Symposium will be held at the Holiday Inn, Orlando (Florida) Airport on October 26-28, 2012. The First Call for Papers has been issued. The Symposium Team requests a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings. Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv@amsat.org. Watch for the latest 2012 Symposium information to be posted on the AMSAT web.The CQ Magazine News Room has posted stories covering amateur satellite developments:

o Japan Plans 5 Amateur Satellite Launches

o Multi-Cubesat Launcher Built by Naval Postgraduate School

o ANS Co-Editor Dee Interdonato, NB2F, Silent Key

o Hams on 23 Centimeters Must Protect New FAA RadarsThe ARISS contact with Flight Engineer Don Pettit and students at Flabob Airport in Jurupa Valley CA US that occurred on April 19 was featured on this week's episode of the Bob Heil & Gordon West "Ham Nation" video podcast. The ARISS project is the

top story at about the 4-minute mark: http://twit.tv/show/ham-nation/46
Video filmed during the contact has also been posted on the Flabob site:
http://www.iss-flabob.com (via Clint K6LCS)OMG Space was made by Margot
Trudell as graphic design thesis project at Toronto□s OCAD University. The
page displays the Sun, all the planets and all the distances separating
them to scale. The quickest way to navigate our solar system is to click on
the planet names on the bottom of the screen. You can also scroll up and
down manually ... if only to see how long it takes you to not get anywhere
- this is to scale, the distances are vast. (UniverseToday.com)The next
Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, May 10 at 8:00 PM EDT (UTC -4)
on the 146.970 MHz repeater, and also on the N2EYH-L Echolink node. More
info: http://www.hvsatcom.org/ (via Stu, WA2BSS)Vince Waelti, K9TSU, Net
Manager of the Satchat net on the AMSAT EchoLink server invites all radio
amateurs to check-in when the net meets on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the
month 1900-2030 CDT (UTC-5). Vince says the new format of the net will be a
roundtable format.Congratulations to Al, W5LUA for working into state
number 34 on 2304 MHz via a good tropo opening. Al worked North Carolina on
April 28. That's really an amazing accomplishment. (via NP4Z on the
moon-net list)Check out Markarian's Chain. There are well over 100 galaxies
in this image. (UniverseToday.com)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the
President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to
AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits.
Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at
one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled
in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a
maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the
AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that
please keep in mind that this implicit curve equation produces the heart
shape: (x^2 + y^2 - 1)^3 - x^2 * y^3 = 0 This web computation engine
(wolframalpha.com) will plot it for you. You may need to click the
orange 'compute' button to the right of the equation.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

K9JKM at amsat dot org

711. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 9 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-09 16:49:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f6465d1662d1a04bf9d4ac6@google.com>
Source record: 3078
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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National Mill Event 12 and 13 may 2012

Posted: 09 May 2012 07:12 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345492-National-Mill-Event-12-and-13-may-2012&goto=newpost

Comming weekend, saturday 12 and sunday 13 may 2012

there is for the 5th time a National mill event.

Several watermills and windmills are ocupiede by amateur stations .

I am active from PA6ADZ, an old flourmill build in 1844 in a small
village "Zuidland",

located 15KM ZW of Rotterdam and 25KM east of the North-sea.

We are active at 10-20-40-80M and at 2M and 70CM

you can find more info about the windmill at:

www.qrz.com/db/pa6adz

Below you can find a list of joining Mills:

www.#mills-#on-#the-#air.#net

Hope to catch you, 73

Florian

PD0MP

PA6ADZ

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EU PSK DX Contest 2012

Posted: 09 May 2012 01:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345461-EU-PSK-DX-Contest-2012&goto=newpost

HI Guys,

Remember the date & time: 12:00 UTC on 19.05.2012 to 12:00 UTC on
20.05.2012. The only permissible mode is BPSK63 only so be sure you are in

the right mode before you begin and maximum power is 100 watts. As it was with last year's contest, be sure to pay close attention to your Cabrillo log so that it matches exactly the format required.

All the very best and see you all in the EU PSK DX Contest 2012!

Bands: We recommend the following frequencies - 80 meters (3.580 - 3.590 MHz), 40 meters (7.040 - 7.050 MHz), 20 meters (14.070 - 14.080 MHz), 15 meters (21.070 - 21.080 MHz), and 10 meters (28.070 - 28.080 MHz).

Number Exchange: All EU stations should send signal report plus EU Area Code: http://www.eupsk.com/documents/euareas.xls (example for the County of Sisak and Moslavina, Croatia: 599 EUHRSM). Please note that "dots" should not be sent! 599 EU.HR.SM or 599 EU HR SM - are not correct reports. There should be no "dots", no "spaces" between the letters, all 6 letters should be sent together. Those who don't follow this rule will be disqualified immediately! DX stations should send signal report plus QSO number, starting 001. MOMT DX stations should use a separate serial number sequence for each band.

Log Instructions: All times must be in UTC. All sent and received exchanges are to be logged. PSK mode in Cabrillo file must be identified as follows: BPSK63 - PM. The Contest Committee accepts logs in the Cabrillo format ONLY. Name your Cabrillo file as your call sign (for example - mm0epc.cbr, mm0epc.txt or mm0epc.log). You should send your log via e-mail to contest@epc-ru.ru

All entrants must clearly indicate the output power (watts) in the Cabrillo log. If no power is mentioned in the log the participant's score will be moved to High Power category automatically.

EU PSK DX Contest: RULES
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?optio...1144&Itemid=79

73! - Yuri RK3DSW

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Europe Day on the Air

Posted: 08 May 2012 07:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345355-Europe-Day-on-the-Air&goto=newpost

Nine special stations will be active on May 9th, 2012 from Spain commemorating 52 years since Robert Schumann presented his proposal of an organized Europe. This proposal, known as the "Schuman declaration", is considered to be the beginning of the creation of what is now the European Union.

Special QSL cards and an electronic diploma are available for those who will contact at least three of the nine stations.

Details in English at http://www.fediea.org/eudota/?lang=en

Full informations in Romanian at http://yo4px.blogspot.com

Francisc, YO4PX

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Multi-Club Field Day Special event K3F CambriaRadio.com

Posted: 07 May 2012 08:11 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345315-Multi-Club-Field-Day-Special-event-K3F-Cambria Radio-com&goto=newpost

Emergency Communications Are

Tested During Amateur Radio Field Day

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FieldDay@CambriaRadio.com

Media Contact

John N. Geiser AB3OV

379 Sam Street

Johnstown, PA 15902

Cambria County ARES AEC

The Cambria Radio Club and the Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club will be testing emergency communications from 2 PM EST June 23rd to 5 PM EST June 24th, 2012.

Every year, amateur radio operators (also known as □hams□) around the country come together to conduct what is known as □Field Day□. The objective is to test and become more familiar with our radio systems as well as the radio systems of other operators. During this time, we operate our radios, and work to contact operators around the country and the world. We then use this information to know where we are able to contact in the case of an emergency. This also proves the reliability of amateur radio operations.

For 2012, the newly formed Cambria Radio Club in Johnstown, has joined forces with the Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club in Altoona to create a □Multi-Club Field Day□.

The CRC and HARC members believe this would be a great opportunity for the community to come see how amateur radio works. Individuals will be able to learn some important skills for emergency situations and have the opportunity to earn their amateur radio license. (FREE VE TEST SESSION*)

We are also planning other activities besides amateur radio such as crafts for children and other general activities to interest everyone. Under the supervision of a licensed operator, everyone will also have the opportunity to operate the radio equipment.

Often people do not know what role amateur radio operators play, but with local media□s help, the community can be informed and further prepared for

emergency situations. You do not have to be an amateur radio operator to benefit from amateur radio. In a disaster, when power is out, and when storms are ravaging your area, hams will be operating and communicating with emergency services.

Field Day is a great opportunity for everyone to learn how to utilize amateur radio without actually being licensed or owning any equipment. We hope to see you there. Visit CambriaRadio.com for full detail and special giveaways.

LOCATION:

New Germany Grove Hall

1635 New Germany Road

Summerhill, PA 15958

*Interested individuals must sign up for FREE VE Test Session by clicking this Test Session Link or copy and past this URL into your Internet browser http://www.cambriaradio.com/VE_Test_Session.html

Please sign up before June 15, 2012. Remeber you must bring two valid forms of ID. Please email any questions you have on the test session to VETEAM@CambriaRadio.com

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

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7O6T - Yemen Approved For DXCC Credit

Posted: 05 May 2012 05:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345050-7O6T-Yemen-Approved-For-DXCC-Credit&goto=newpost

For those questioning the legitimacy of the 7O6T operation from Yemen, the answer is that it is approved for DXCC credit. See note below received a few moments ago from the ARRL DXCC Desk.

Subject: Operations approved for DXCC

From: "Moore, Bill, NC1L (ARRL Awards Branch)"

The following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

7O6T - Yemen

Current Operations

6O3A - Somalia

2012 Operation

73 es DX!

Bill Moore NC1L

Awards Branch Manager

ARRL - The national association for Amateur Radio☐

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712. MMMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/ WEEK 19 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-09 20:30:36 UTC
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MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 19 2012
2012-05-09 at 20:00 UTC

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-05-09
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Sporadic E season 2012 **

The Sporadic E season 2012 has started. On May 8th at 13.08 UTC the first
ES QSO of 2012 was reported between YO3FOU (KN34) and IW1BCV (JN44).
The opening was short and hardly noticed as most will have been at work.
A bit later at 13:23 UTC another short opening starting with a QSO
between F5XU (JN15) and LZ3GM (KN32).

For the statistics; first openings reported in:
2008 May 11
2009 May 17
2010 May 11
2011 May 15

So 2012 looks like an early starter... let's see what is going to happen!

Good Hunting!

Source: Frank, PA4EME, editor Sporadic E section MMMonVHF

** n-Aquariids (ETA), MS shower with unexpected surprise ? **

The most pominent shower for May is (was) the n-Aquariids. The predicted
maximum was for May 5th around 19.00 UTC. When looking to the
visual activity graphics and observations from IMO-members the shower
did reach almost the predicted ZHR of 65 hr-1 but it did not peak

on May 5th but earlier.

http://www.imo.net/live/eta-aquariids2012/

More interesting is something that happened on
Sunday May 6th between 07.30 UTC - 09.30 UTC. During the ongoing May
contest a significant increase of meteorreflections were reported
and these resulted is SSB MS contacts between participants in the
contest. Most reflections centered in an area stretching from eastern
France to Northern Italy. At some moment certain stations believed to
have worked Sporadic E and reported their QSO's as ES. Looking at the
geographical distribution it was obvious it was MS related and the
signals sounded like MS too. Long onderdense reflections provided
possibilities for one burst SSB MS QSO's. Based on information on
the DX-cluster and comments on ON4KST chat it appears that the ZHR
reached 100 hr-1 which is quit unexpected.

MMMonVHF has reported this event to IMO (International Meteor Organisation)
and they are very interested as the event might be an possible outburst
of the ETA shower caused by the influance of Jupiter on the stream of debris
from earlier passages of the parent comet 1P/Halley. As it happened during
daylight hours there is no visual confirmation and no IMO member has
reported large numbers of meteors on May 5th or 6th.

OH5IY confirms the increase in MS activity and is investigating too and would
like to have aditional data too.

If possible MMMonVHF would like to collect information from stations that
were active during the timeframe of May 6th 07.30 UTC and 09.30 UTC and is
asking to report their QSO's and info about estimated number of reflections.
Any soundrecordings are welcome as from these a number of reflections in
a certain timeframe can be calculated. Please send them to Frank, PA4EME,
who will collect the data and forward them to IMO and OH5IY.

Please send those reports to pa4eme@pa4eme.nl

SOURCE: Frank, PA4EME, for MMMonVHF.

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: OH0: Aland; square JP90; start 2012-05-24

OH8K/0 will be qrv from JP90SF during the Nordic VUSHF-Meeting 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to join the
Nordic VUSHF-Meeting at Island Aland during 24-27 Mai 2012
(http://vushf.rats.fi/)
They try to be qrv as OH8K/0 on 2m FSK/EME on 25-27 May.

QRG and more details will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: 5X: Oeganda; square KJ60; start 2012-05-25

Moonbounce from Uganda, 5X1EME, KJ60GH

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year
(C56EME with 361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz),
Bonaire (PJ4X) and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya (5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's just
the two of us but we know what we are doing. It's a hard job to get the license there.
Callsign is still a bit insecure but we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update via MoonNet,
MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.
If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood.
We have to come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

SOURCE: Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F: France ; square JN14; start 2012-06-02 **

F/PA2CHR/p qev from JN14BU begin of June

During my summer holiday I will be QRV on Saturday 2
June and (if good activity) Sunday 3 June from a
hilltop in Southern France.
This is not a real DX-pedition, just some hours fun.
If you need JN14 locator pse let me know, maybe we
can arrange a sked.

Station 144 MHz: FT857, 150W. PA and 10el.
Station 432 Mhz: FT857, 100W. PA and 21el.

Best 73's

SOURCE: tnx to Chris, PA2CHR, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: SP : Poland ; square JO80 **

Hello everyone,

Because of the Global Astronomy Month 2012, a special call sign
SN2012GAM appear on the EME bands. We are going to work on European EME
Contest on 13cm. We are cordially invite you to take a QSO with this
special call sign, which will working form the EME Group Klodzko
(SP6OPN) station located in Poland.

73, vy
SP6JLW (Andy), SP3QFE (Armi)
and other operators of the EME Group in Klodzko (JO80jk).

SOURCE: Andrej, SP6JLW to MoonNet 2012-04-28

** DXCC: ??; square: ??; start 2012-05-17 **

ME-DXpedition 2012 de DL1YMK

The M&M-team is preparing the next EME-DXpedition, taking place in
May 2012. We will set out for our destination just after having
returned from the Swedish EME Meeting, organised by Lars, SM4IVE,
on the weekend 12./13th of May in Oerebro. We hope to reach our
destination in time and to get QRV on Thursday, 17th of May
(bank holiday in Europe) on 23 cm, followed by 70 cm on 18.05.
On Saturday, 19.05., we will be on 13 cm and on Sunday again on
23 cm. 13 cm will be run with a significant increase in power and
full 2424 MHz coverage. For the first time during an EME- DXpedition,
we intend to get also operational on 6 cm with our old, but proven

stressed dish and a new superb feed made by our friend Tommy,
WD5AGO. 6 cm will have an experimental character despite some 100 W
out, as we could not test so far, if the under-illuminated dish will
work up that high in frequency, so keep your fingers crossed!! Our
plan is to give it a try on Monday, 21th May. Also, we intend to
get active on 3 cm with a separate solid dish, which of course is
a lot smaller. Last weekend we made the first test with LX1DB, having
installed the dish in our garden place. The tests were not yet
satisfying, so our friend Willi right now is trying to help us out
with some substantial development aid!
During the DUBUS contest 26./27th of May, we will of course be
active on 23 cm in order to boost activity in the moonbounce contest
of contests. Our last day of operation will be Thursday, 31st of May.
A detailed schedule for the days from 21th May onwards predominantly
will depend on the progress with 10GHz in the meantime. Further details
to be published soon!! This years DXpedition will be the 9th
EME-DXpedition in a sequence for us. We hope to have fun all together
as experienced during past years DXpeditions.but this largely depends
on you.
Needless to say that it will be again a CW random event, although
doodle mode technically is possible (with a new laptop computer)
on request. We have no idea yet to what extent (if at all) i-net
access is feasable, though.

Vy 73, Michael and Monika

SOURCE: Moon mailing list ; Moon@moonbounce.info

** DXCC: 4X: Israel; square KM72; start 2012-05-17 **

2012 sees the first DXpedition by the group of Dutch radio amateurs
listed below to Israel, who, apart from making QSO's, look forward
to meeting local hams and visiting places of cultural and historical interest.
We will be active from May 17th until May 30th
The first 6 days we will stay in Nes Ammim in the Northwest between Nahariya
and Akko in KM72nx. From there we will travel to Rishon LeZion in KM71jw.

The members of the team during May 2012 are Jaap PA7DA, Loek PA9LUC and XYL,
Hans PA0JBB and SWL Aad van den Nieuwendijk.
At this moment we don't have a 4X callsign and will be QRV according CEPT-regulations with
4X/PA7DA and 4X/PA9LUC. We will operate mainly on 10, 6 and 2m.

More information on the PA7DA website!

SOURCE: tnx to PA7DA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM: Scotland; square IO57; start 2012-05-16 **

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands / IO57

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and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands
(EU-059, Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time,
from 16-21 May, 2012. QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY.
QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

** DXCC: 9H: Maltha; square JM75; start 2012-05-26 **

Island of Malta qrv on HF and 50 MHz

Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active from the island of Malta (EU-023,
MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, CQ zone 15) as 9H3PP during the CQWW WPX CW Contest
(26-27 May, 2012). Plans are for a Single-Op/Single-Band entry, either 15m or 10m.
After the contest Zoli will focus on some 6m and 12m activity. QSL via home call.

SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (03 - 10 February 2012)

** DXCC: xx9: Macau; square start 2012-05-12 **

Macau, XX9, qrv HF and 6 Meter

A team consisting of EA5BZ, EA5CEE, EA6DD, EB5BBM, F5VLY, EA1ACP, EA5FX, EA7FTR
and EB7DX will be active from Coloane Island, Macau between May 17-23, 2012.
They plan to be active from 6 to 160 meters (include WARC) in CW, SSB and RTTY
with at least 3 stations simultaneously in different bands and modes. QSL via EB7DX.
Website: http://www.adxg.org/xx9/

SOURCE: EB7DX

** DXCC: N: USA; square EN91; start 2012-05-12 **

N8OFS/p qrv 2012-05-12 2300Z till 2012-05-13 0300Z from EN91or

The Rules for the 2012 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints are online...

http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules

I will once again be Broadcasting Live and Direct from the Big Caboose at
the beloved AC&J Railroad for the 6M Sprint... This will be my First of
Six trips to the Caboose for 2012... 50W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the
"DOMINATOR"(tm) at 28.5ft, parked and locked on 52.525FM from EN91or...

PeAcE...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9CDaJ3qR4Q
Andy N8OFS GOT6??? GOT RAVE??? GOT FOOTY??? SMIRK#6737
The CrAzY 6 Meters FM only, sometimes found in a Caboose guy...

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VP9: Bermuda; square ? ; start 2012-05-07 **

Seppo,OH1VR/VP9, and Egbert,OH1ZAA/VP9, will be QRV in CW and SSB on HF
and 6m from May 7-13. QSLs via homecalls, OH1VR/VP9 only direct.

SOURCE: DXNL 1778 - May 2, 2012

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP43; start 2012-06-08 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV as OH7UV from KP43RL with 100 W in 4 el.

There is a radia amateur summer meeting in Eastern Finland and their meight
be some activity on VHF and UHF too.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

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** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

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** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

713. eHam.net News for Wednesday 9 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-09 22:31:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396a0a93fa2a04bfa20e1e@google.com>
Source record: 3080
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Operators and Weather Spotting:

Posted: 08 May 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28250

He hadn't planned on being the club's guest speaker Monday, but then George Shields hadn't planned on being an amateur radio operator until his high school physics teacher suggested it. Sometimes, things just happen. And when the unexpected happens -- like a flood, tornado, severe storm that disrupts normal communication venues -- amateur radio operators, like Shields, step in and hit the airwaves. After his planned speaker was called out of town, Shields, who was responsible for planning Monday's program at the weekly Kiwanis program, took the podium and explained his longtime hobby as an amateur radio operator.

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Amateur Radio Operators Train For Emergencies:

Posted: 08 May 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28249

Local amateur radio operators participated Friday and Saturday in a simulated emergency drill involving emergency management offices and state emergency operations centers in Texas and five other states. The exercise was conducted to test backup communications needed after a large solar storm had resulted in widespread power outages and failure of the Internet and cellular networks. "It went well," said Joe Thompson, ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) emergency coordinator for Guadalupe County. "It was very successful both from the standpoint of what we achieved and what we need to work on." Members of ARES are licensed amateur radio operators who volunteer their time and equipment to help when normal communications fail or become inadequate, Thompson explained. Besides ARES members, the exercise involved MARS, the Military Auxiliary Radio System and RACES, the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service.

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Monster Sunspot Threatens To Unleash Powerful Solar Flares:

Posted: 08 May 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28248

An enormous sunspot group has taken shape on the surface of the sun, hinting that our star may soon start spouting off some powerful storms. The

huge sunspot complex, known as AR 1476, rotated into Earth's view over the weekend. It measures more than 60,000 miles (100,000 kilometers) across, researchers said. Scientists with NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory mission, a space-based telescope watching the sun, dubbed the solar structure a "monster sunspot" in a Twitter announcement.

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13 Colonies Special Event July 1-5 2012:

Posted: 08 May 2012 04:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28247

The 2012, 13 Colonies stations will operate from 12:01 AM Eastern (0401Z),on July 1st, (That's one minute after midnight, early Sunday morning, July 1st) to 11:59 PM Eastern (0359Z July 6) ending on July 5th (One minute to midnight, late Thursday night, July 5th).

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New Kenwood TS-990S:

Posted: 08 May 2012 04:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28236

The Kenwood TS-990S featuring a dual TFT display and dual receiver will cover the HF amateur bands plus 6 meters. This radio will be the top-of-the-range flagship model in the Kenwood Amateur radio line-up. A prototype is expected to be on display at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. RF power is adjustable from 2 to 200 watts. This radio features a built in automatic antenna tuner and built in AC power supply. It has a serial port, USB ports and Ethernet port.

714. [DXNL] DXNL 1779 (May 9, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-10 07:11:42 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <5429807240.20120510084805@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 3081
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1779 - May 9, 2012
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CORRECTION of DXNL 1778:
7O6T is on AF-028 and not on AS-028.
HB100FLP is in HB9 and not in HB0.

6O, SOMALIA
After donation of ambulances to the "Galkayo Medical Center" and
following 6 years of absence several members of the "Italian DXpedition
Team" (Silvano,I2YSB, Vinicio,IK2CIO, Angelo,IK2CKR, Marcello,IK2DIA,
Stefano,IK2HKT and Gino,IK2RZP) return to Somalia to support the Somali
Red Cross. They want to work with four stations signing 6O0CW in CW,
SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m from May 7-18. If you already had a QSO with
6O0CW or 6O0N back in 2005 or 2006 you should not make dupe QSOs on the
same band/mode to give other HAMs a chance as well.
QSL via I2YSB (direct) or IK2CIO (bureau), LoTW within six months.
OQRS and other information can be found at: http://www.i2ysb.com

8Q, MALDIVES, AS-013
Iwao,JA2LSS (8Q7CJ), Yoshi,JA2AIC (8Q7IC), Nob,JA2AAU (8Q7NK),
Iku,JA2ATE (8Q7TE), and Mori,JA2ZS (8Q7ZS), announced to be active
from the North Male Atoll (AS-013, WLOTA 3911) in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK
on 160m-6m from May 11-16. QSLs via homecalls.

DL, GERMANY
On the occasion of the completion of coal mining in Saarland a special
event station signs DL250COAL (special DOK: 250Kohle) in all modes on
all bands until Dec 31. QSL via bureau to DK8VR.

EU, BELARUS
The specialevent station EV1150P celebrates the 1150th anniversary of
the city of Polotsk. QSL via EW6DX.

F, FRANCE
The special event station TM3FFI commemorates the agents with their

secret transmitters in the Resistance of the Second World War from
May 11-13, May 26, July 8-13 and from Jul 19-22. QSL via F8JZR.
See also: http://www.memorialjeanmoulin.fr/articles.php?lng&#65533;&pg229

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The "Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society" introduce our hobby
to the public with the clubstation GB1AVR at two events, a Scammell
Gathering in May and a Steam Rally in July. QSL via G0BPK.
See also: http://www.pdars.com

"Botley Flour Mills" near Southampton is one of the most famous old
mills in the United Kingdom and is listed in the "Domesday Book".
It will be activated at the "Mills on the Air" weekend (May 12/13) by
M0IED, his father G6FRT and other members of the "Itchen Valley Radio
Club". With the support of the Southampton University Wireless Society
they will use the special call GB0BFM on 80/40/2m/70cm. QSL via M0IED.
See also: http://www.mills-on-the-air.net/?PAGE&#65533;rrent

Several members of the ISWL are celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee
by using G4BJC and M1SWL on the air from May-June.

GQ4BJC/A and MQ1SWL/A will be activated also from different WABs and
WLOTAs. QSLs via G6XOU. See: http://www.iswl.org.uk

Mike,M0SMJ (ISWL G11331, FISTS 8398), celebrates the Diamond Jubilee of
Queen Elizabeth 2 as MQ0SMJ from Cornwall (EU-005/WLOTA 1841/WAB SS20)
until Jun 10. QSL via RSGB bureau.

The special event station GB60VUL will be QRV from different QTHs until
May 30. QSL via bureau or direct to M0JEC.

HS, THAILAND
The special event station HS85RI is active until May 9 from the "Rotary
International. QSL via E21EIC.

J7, DOMINICA, NA-101
Ihre fuehrt
Toshi,JA8RUZ (J79RZ), Yoshikatsu,JK1KHT (J79YK), Ken,JN1THL (J79KT),
Yoshiko,JQ1LCW (J79YL), and Misae,JF1UOX (J79JF), are planning a
DXpedition to Dominica (NA-101) from May 10-17. They will be QRV with
TS-590/IC-706MKII plus amps in CW/SSB/RTTY on 40m-10m (maybe also 6m).
QSL for J79RZ via JA8RUZ, all other QSLs only direct via JN1NDY.

JA, JAPAN
The special event call 8J3XVI is active from the "Kansai Ham Festival"
until Jul 15. QSL via bureau or JA3UJR.

The special event station 8J1MST celebrates the 40th anniversary of the
city of Misato until Dec 31.

JY, JORDAN
JY9ET is the new callsign of Paolo,IK0BOU, in Amman. He is looking for
QSOs in CW and SSB on 80m-10m during weekdays from 1400 UTC-2100 UTC
and also the whole weekends. QSL via M0OXO.

UA4WHX is running pile-ups on HF as JY8VB. He has been spotted in SSB
and RTTY on 40/20/17/15/12/10m. QSL via homecall.

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Masumi,JA3AVO (P40X), XYL Hiroko,JH3PBL (P40U), and Yoshinori,JA3DFM
(P4/JA3DFM), with XYL Hideko,JA3OPB (P4/JA3OPB), announced to show up
from "Cook's Radio Retreat" on Aruba (SA-036/WLOTA 0033) from May 9-14.
QSLs via homecalls. See also: http://www.p49v.com

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
The VERON Section 54 (Etten-Leur) will be active as PI4ETL/p during
the National Windmill Weekend 2012 working on HF+2m from the windmill
"De Oude Molen" near Fijnaart (Loc JO21FP) on May 12/13.
Every QSO will be confirmed with a special QSL via buro automatically.
See also: http://a54.veron.nl

PG6MILL is another special event station during the National Windmill
Weekend working on 80m-70cm from the windmill "de Windhond". They are
also celebrating the 25th jubilee of the PI4WNO clubstation.
QSL via PA4J. See also: http://www.pd6mill.com

Frans,PC2F, activates the special callsign PC25HR from the pump station
Hertog Reijnout from May 6-28. QSL via homecall.

S7, SEYCHELLES, AS-013
Heye,DJ9RR, will be QRV as S79RR in holiday style from Mahe (AS-013).
Listen for him in CW and RTTY on 40m-10m from May 15-23.
QSL via homecall, LoTW.

V3, BELIZE, NA-073
Mike,VE2XB, will show up as V31XB from Caye Caulker (NA-073) running
a K3 with Hexbeam on all bands from May 11-31. QSL via homecall.

UA, Russia
Following "Victory 67" stations are active right now:
RP67A Archangelsk
RP67AH Adygea Republic
RP67AK Penza
RP67AU Archangelsk
RP67B Belgorod
RP67BA Moscow area
RP67BG Tatarstan Republic
RP67BM Samara
RP67BR Brjansk
RP67BS Samara
RP67DT Tatarstan Republic
RP67FA Moscow area
RP67GA Brjansk

RP67GE Lipezk
RP67GF Nizhni Nowgorod
RP67GI Bashkortostan Republic
RP67GK Moscow area
RP67GL Lipezk
RP67GM Stawropol
RP67GS Khanty-Mansiysk
RP67H Brjansk
RP67I Udmurt Republic
RP676IB Moscow area
RP67IF Lipezk
RP67IL Samara
RP67IT St. Petersburg
RP67JH Tjumen
RP67K Karelia Republic
RP67KA Tatarstan Republic
RP67KB Kursk
RP67KD Wolgograd
RP67KE Kurgan
RP67KF Kirov
RP67KK St. Petersburg
RP67KL Wolgograd
RP67KM Novokuznetsk
RP67KN Kostroma
RP67KO Vladimir
RP67KR Komi Republic
RP67KT St. Petersburg
RP67KU Tatarstan Republic
RP67L St. Petersburg
RP67LA Moscow area
RP67LK Tjumen
RP67LL Tjumen
RP67M Uljanowsk
RP67MB Mari El Republic
RP67MC Omsk
RP67MD Omsk
RP67MG Bashkortostan Republic
RP67MK Wolgograd
RP67MP Novosibirsk
RP67MR Saratow
RP67MU Murmansk
RP67MW Ivanovo
RP67N Kabardino-Balkaria Republic
RP67NF Moscow area
RP67NG Bashkortostan Republic
RP67NK Archangelsk
RP67NV Weliki Nowgorod
RP67O Orel
RP67OK Stawropol
RP67ON Smolensk

RP67OP St. Petersburg
RP67OS Wologda
RP67P Tula
RP67PD Pskow
RP67PM Moscow
RP67PP Belgorod
RP67PR Brjansk
RP67R Kurgan
RP67RK Bashkortostan Republic
RP67RT Tatarstan Republic
RP67RW Belgorod
RP67RZ Tver
RP67S Smolensk
RP67SB Wolgograd
RP67SD Wladiwostok
RP67SF Murmansk
RP67SO Belgorod
RP67SP Smolensk
RP67SR Rjasan
RP67ST Irkutsk
RP67SW Bashkortostan Republic
RP67T Tula
RP67TA Saratow
RP67TF Chuvashia Republic
RP67TG Chelyabinsk
RP67TK Tambow
RP67TO St. Petersburg
RP67TT Tjumen
RP67TV Tver
RP67TW Kursk
RP67UF Bashkortostan Republic
RP67V Wladiwostok
RP67VA Smolensk
RP67VF Vladimir
RP67W Voronezh
RP67WA Kursk
RP67WK Voronezh
RP67WL Kursk
RP67WN Moscow area
RP67WR Wolgograd
RP67WS Kursk
RP67WT Kursk
RP67YM Brjansk
RP67Z Murmansk
RP67ZK Tambow
RP67ZZ Murmansk

W, USA
From May 10-12 the special event station W7G remembers the completion
of the first transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869.

QSL via W7SU, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.ogdenarc.org/w7g.html

CARIBBEAN TRIP
Barry,ZS1FJ/9V1FJ/G4MFW, and Deon,ZS1ZL, are travelling through the
Caribbean from May 9-20. All QSLs via 9V1FJ. This is their schedule:
May 9-12 PJ7/G4MFW (St. Maarten, NA-105, WLOTA 0711) and
FS/G4MFW (St. Martin, NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383)
May 12-14 PJ5/G4MFW (Saba, NA-145, WFF PAFF-027, WLOTA 2043)
May 15-16 FJ/G4MFW (St. Barthelemy, NA-146, DIFO FJ-001, WLOTA 0377)
May 17-20 PJ2/G4MFW (Curacao, SA-099, WLOTA 0942) and
PJ4/G4MFW (Bonaire-SA-006, WFF PAFF-024, WLOTA 1279)

DX RUMOURS: Some sources say that a DXpedition is planned for next year
with the intention to push Clipperton out of the 100 most wanted DXCCs.
Stay tuned!

DXCC: Following DXpeditions are accepted for DXCC credit: 7O6T, 6O3A

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 12 EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party
May 12 FISTS Sprint Contest
May 12/13 CQ-M International DX Contest
May 12/13 Alessandro Volta RTTY Contest
May 13 EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-067, JA6, Uji and Kusagaki Islands: Tsuyoshi,JA6VDB, and Mitsuo,JF6TEU,
plan to become active as JA6VDB from Uji Island from May 11-13. They
hope that weather conditions will be good enough to land on the island.
You can follow them on Twitter (ID: Tsuyoshi Omae, JA6VDB).
Logs will be uploaded to LoTW after their return. QSL via JA6VDB.

EU-001, SV5, Dodecanese: John,SV5/N5ER, will be QRV in holiday style from
Rhodos from May 15-20. He works only in CW mainly on the lowbands
during his evening and morning. QSLs only direct or via LoTW to N5ER.

EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: Once again the Wessex Contest Group will
activate the Isle of Sky (IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA 1626, WAB NG47,
Loc IO67uq) from May 12-19. Steve,G0FUW, Simon,M0TTE, Dan,M0TGN, and
Dave,M0SFT, will be QRV as MS0WCB mainly in SSB on 80m, 40m, 20m, 17m
and 15m with a few CW and digital QSOs as well. QSL route see QRZ.com.
QSL via bureau or direct to M0WAY or via eQSL.
See also: http://www.mx0wcb.com

EU-028, I*5, Toscana (Tuscany) Region group: Guenter,IA5/DL3NBI, is going to spend his holidays on Giglio Island (EU-028, IIA GR-002, MIA MI-036, WLOTA 0564) from May 15-23. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-042, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: DF6BL/p (OP Harry) is working from Hallig Langeness (DID N-19, DLFF-013, Loc JO44HP) in CW and SSB until May 11. QSL via DF6BL. See also: http://www.df6bl.eu

EU-043, SM6, Goteborg och Bohus/Halland County group: Ric,DL2VFR, and Norbert,DL2RNS, are planning another trip through Sweden and Norway. Their first destination will be Orust Island from May 11-14 and they will be active in SSB/CW as SD7V/6 and SD7N/6.
QSLs for SD7V via DL2VFR and for SD7N via DL2RNS.

EU-049, SV, North Aegean Islands: Vom 11. bis 15.May ist Fred,PA1FJ, von der Island Samos ((EU-049, GIOTA SAS-006, MIA MG-099, WLOTA 4163, Loc KM37) als SV8/PA1FJ/p QRV. Er arbeitet nur in SSB von 40m-10m. Bei Moeglich-keit wird auch versucht auf 6m aktiv zu werden. QSL via PA1FJ.

EU-070, F, Provence-Cote D'Azur (Var) Region group: Holger,DL1COP, Alex,DL1KD, Juergen,DJ2VO, Martin,DL3KMS, und Helmut,DL3KBQ, aktivieren die Island Porquerolles (DIFM ME010, WLOTA 1107). Als F/homecall sind sie vom 12.-25.May auf 80m-10m in allen Betriebsarten QRV.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-049, SV, North Aegean Islands: Fred,SV8/PA1FJ/p, is going to hit the air-waves from Samos (EU-049, GIOTA SAS-006/MIA MG-099/WLOTA 4163/Loc KM37) from May 11-15. He works in SSB only on 40m-10m and if possible also on 6m. QSL via PA1FJ.

EU-070, F, Provence-Cote D'Azur (Var) Region group: Holger,F/DL1COP, Alex,F/DL1KD, Juergen,F/DJ2VO, Martin,F/DL3KMS, and Helmut,F/DL3KBQ, will be QRV from Porquerolles Island (DIFM ME010, WLOTA 1107) working in all modes on 80m-10m from May 12-25. QSLs via homecalls.

EU-114, GU/MU, Guernsey group: Hans,MU/PA0VHA, Steef,MU/PA2A, Wim,MU/PA2AM, and Jack,MU/PA3BAG, will show up from Guernsey (EU-017, IIA ME-001, MIA MI-053, WLOTA 1144) from May 12-19. Listen for them in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK on 80m-6mm, with emphasis put on 30m/17m/12m.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.pi4cc.nl

EU-127, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State South West group: Michael,DL4ABO/p, is working from Neuwerk Island (GIA N-012, DLFF-005) and plans to activate the lighthouse (DLTD #38, ARLHS FED-165, TWLHD WLH DL-019, WLOTA 2311) with FT-857D and FD-4 on the HF bands on May 10/11. QSL via DL4ABO.

EU-141, LA&#65533; Finnmark County East: Helmut,LA/DL5DSM, and Bernhard,LA/DL9UB
F,
will be QRV from Vardo Island (WLOTA 0106) from May 15-23. They also
plan a short trip to Hornoya Island (WLOTA 2751). QSLs via homecalls.

NA-240 (IOTA-NEW), KL7, Bethel County group: The Russian Robinson Club (RRC) members Yuri,N3QQ, and Tim,NL8F, will try again to activate the last new IOTA group in Alaska. They plan to become active as KL7RRC/p from

May 11-14. See also: http://www.na-234.com
QSLs for Europe/Russia via UA9OBA, all others via N7RO.

SA-080, PY6, Bahia State Centre group: Renner,PY7RP/6, will be QRV from Tinhare Island (DIB BA-05, WLOTA 1624) from May 10-13. He wants to hand out some IOTA points in CW and SSB working holiday style with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities

8Q7CJ LH 3911 May 11-16
8Q7IC LH 3911 May 11-16
8Q7NK LH 3911 May 11-16
8Q7TE LH 3911 May 11-16
8Q7ZS LH 3911 May 11-16
FJ/G4MFW LH 0377 May 15-16
FS/G4MFW LH 0383 May 9-11
P4/JA3DFM LH 0033 May 9-14
P4/JA3OPB LH 0033 May 9-14
P40U LH 0033 May 9-14
P40X LH 0033 May 9-14
PJ5/G4MFW LH 2043 May 12-14
PJ7/G4MFW LH 0711 May 9-11
S79RR LH 3286 May 15-23

WFF activities

After visiting Orust Island Ric,DL2VFR, and Norbert,DL2RNS, plan to activate some national parks for the first time from May 14-16:
SMFF-024, Tiveden: SD7V/4, SD7N/4
SMFF-009, Gaprhyttan: SD7V/4, SD7N/4
SMFF-026, Tresticklan: SD7V/6, SD7N/6
QSLs for SD7V via DL2VFR and for SD7N via DL2RNS.

JAFF: Terry,JA7IC/p, will be QRV from several JAFF references:
May 8: JAFF-065, Biwako QNP (JCC-2302, Loc PM85)
May 9: JAFF-063, Wakasawan QNP (JCG-29010 or JCG-29012, Loc PM75)
May 10: JAFF-055, Echizen-Kagakaigan QNP (JCC-3006, Loc PM86)
May 11: JAFF-054, Notohanto QNP (JCG-30007, Loc PM86)
Operation is planned in CW mainly obn 12m/15m/17m/20m. He will use the frequencies 18094 kHz and 24904 kHz avoiding to disturb 7O6T.
QSL via JA7IC (bureau/direct/LoTW).

SPFF: Some fans of WFF and SPFF plan to activate several Polish WFF areas on 80m, 40m and 20m on May 12/13. QSL via bureau.
SPFF-028, SP7PCZ/p, SQ5CSF/p, Bolimowski Landscape Park
SPFF-507, SP5FHP/p, Nature Reserve Kopanicha
SPFF-508, SP7KWW/p, Nature Reserve Polana Siwica
SPFF-509, SQ5OCJ/p, Nature Reserve Rawka
SPFF-510, SP5BHY/p, Nature Reserve Puszcza Marianska
SPFF-511, SP7BCA/p, SP7MJX/p, Nature Reserve Ruda Chlebacz

UFFF: Igor,UF6V/UA5D, and Pavel,UF6V/R2AD, will show up from the nature park
Pitcundo-Mussersky (UFFF-001) mainly on 14.044 and 21.244 MHz from
May 12-14. During the CQ-M-Contest they will use the callsigns
UF6V (op UA5D) and UF6VFF (op R2AD). QSLs via homecalls.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Unknown 3B8MM 1777
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772/1777
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
21Mar- 5T0JL 1772
Unknown 5X? 1778
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
6D0LM 1774
07May-18May 6O0CW 1779 *
Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
30Apr-15May 7O6T 1778/1779 *
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779 *
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-15Jul 8J3XVI 1779 *
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
11May-16May 8Q7CJ.. 1779 *
- 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
Unknown 9H3XX 1777
-22May 9Q0HQ/7 1777
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-10May C91JR.. 1777/1778
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Apr -Jun CY0/VE1AWW 1774
-08Jul D2QV 1750
07May-11May DF6BL/p 1779 *
? DL0SLITISA 1764
-Jan/13 DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COA 1779 *
10May-11May DL4ABO/p 1779 *
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763

-31Dec E720RS 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
01May-30Jun EM350S 1777

01May-15May EM67J 1778
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
Unknown EV1150P 1779 *
12May-25May F/DJ2VO 1779 *
12May-25May F/DL1COP 1779 *
12May-25May F/DL1KD 1779 *
12May-25May F/DL3KBQ 1779 *
12May-25May F/DL3KMS 1779 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul FR8NE 1710
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771

-Jun G4BJC.. 1779 *
12May/13May GB0BFM 1779 *
May /Jul GB1AVR 1779 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
-30May GB60VUL 1779 *
GB80PW 1762
05May-10Jun GQ3aaa.. 1778
05May-10Jun GQ4BJC/A.. 1779 *
08May-12May HB0/IN3ADW.. 1778
07May-09Jun HB100FLP 1778/1779 *
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
-12May HH8/EA3OW 1775
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
-09May HS85RI 1779 *
15May-23May IA5/DL3NBI 1779 *
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763

-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
10May-17May J79KT.. 1779 *
11May-13May JA6VDB 1779 *
08May-11May JA7IC/p 1779 *
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY8VB 1779 *
Unknown JY9ET 1779 *
01May-15May K1C.. 1778
01May-15May K1A 1778
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
11May-14May KL7RRC/p 1779 *
15May-23May LA/DL5DSM 1779 *
15May-23May LA/DL9UBF 1779 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
05May-09May LZ67VZ 1778

12May-19May MS0WCB 1779 *
12May-19May MU/PA0VHA 1779 *
12May-19May MU/PA2A 1779 *
12May-19May MU/PA2AM 1779 *
12May-19May MU/PA3BAG 1779 *
-10Jun MQ0SMJ 1779 *
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
07May-13May OH1VR/VP9.. 1778
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
14Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
09May-14May P40X.. 1779 *
06May-28May PC25HR 1779 *
12May/13May PG6MILL 1779 *
12May/13May PI4ETL/p 1779 *
05May-18May PJ2/DH2AK.. 1778
09May-20May PJ7/G4MFW.. 1779 *
10May-13May PY7RP/6 1779 *
May R1945HS 1778
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
15May-23May S79RR 1779 *
11May-16May SD7N/6 1779 *
14May-16May SD7N/4 1779 *
14May-16May SD7V/4 1779 *
11May-16May SD7V/6 1779 *
12May-13May SP5BHY/p 1779 *
12May-13May SP5FHP/p 1779 *
12May-13May SP7BCA/p 1779 *
12May-13May SP7KWW/p 1779 *
12May-13May SP7MJX/p 1779 *
12May-13May SP7PCZ/p 1779 *
12May-13May SQ5CSF/p 1779 *
12May-13May SQ5OCJ/p 1779 *
15May-20May SV5/N5ER 1779 *
11May-15May SV8/PA1FJ/p 1779 *
-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779 *
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755

12May-14May UF6V/UA5D 1779 *
12May-14May UF6V/R2AD 1779 *
12May-13May UF6V 1779 *
12May-13May UF6VFF 1779 *

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11May-31May V31XB 1779 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
01May-30May VC2CBS30 1777
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
28Apr-12May W2H 1777
10May-12May W7G 1779 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-12Jun XV2W 1774
Unknown XW3DT 1766/1771
05May-10Jun ZQ3M.. 1778
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774
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* new or updated
.. and other calls

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QSL information
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4O/IW3FWT via IW3FWT (B)
6O0CW via IK2CIO (B), I2YSB(d), (L)
7O6T via UA3DX (B), (L)
8J3XVI via JA3UJR
8Q7CJ via JA2Lss
8Q7IC via JA2AIC
8Q7NK via JA2AAU
8Q7TE via JA2ATE
8Q7ZS via JA2ZS
C91JD via GI4FUM (B)
CT7/GW0VML via GW0VML (B)
DF6BL/p via DF6BL (B)
DL250COAL via DK8VR (B)
DL4ABO/p via DL4ABO (B)
EG8WFF via EA8URL (B)
EM50ISI via UT5SI (B)
EM67QN via UT3QN
EO1HFF via UY1HY
EO5UFF via US5UFF
EO67HWW via UR4HWW
EO67J via UU2JT
EV1150P via EW6DX (B)
F/DJ2VO via DJ2VO (B)
F/DL1COP via DL1COP (B)
F/DL1KD via DL1KD (B)
F/DL3KBQ via DL3KBQ (B)
F/DL3KMS via DL3KMS (B)
FJ/G4MFW via 9V1FJ
FS/G4MFW via 9V1FJ
G4BJC via G6XOU (B)
GB0BFM via M0IED
GB1AVR via G0BPK (B)
GB1TBW via (B), MX0GZD (d)
GB2CRF via (B)
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GB60VUL via (B), M0JEC (d)
GQ4BJC/A via G6XOU (B)
GQ4RCG via M0OXO (B/OQRS), (L)
GS6PYE via M0VFC (B)
HB60RF via HB9DDS (B)
HF45CHBW via SP5ZHJ
HG3IPA via HA3JB (d)
HS85RI via E21EIC (B)
HZ1NM via IZ8CLM (B)
IA5/DL3NBI via DL3NBI (B)
J79JF via JN1NDY (d)
J79KT via JN1NDY (d)
J79RZ via JA8RUZ (B)
J79YK via JN1NDY (d)
J79YL via JN1NDY (d)
JA6VDB via JA6VDB (B, (L)
JA7IC/p via JA7IC (B)
JD1YBT via JP1IOF (B)
JY8VB via UA4WHX (B)
JY9ET via M0OXO(B)
K4A via N4PJ (B), (L), eQSL
KL7RRC/p via UA9OBA (EU+Russia)
KL7RRC/p via N7RO (all others)
KP4ED via EB7DX (d)
LA/DL5DSM via DL5DSM (B)
LA/DL9UBF via DL9UBF (B)
LZ907SKB via LZ1KCP
M1SWL via G6XOU (B)
MQ0OXO via M0OXO (B/OQRS), (L)
MQ0SMJ via (B)
MQ1SWL/A via G6XOU (B)
MS0WCB via M0WAY (B)
MU/PA2A via PA2A (B)
MU/PA2AM via PA2AM (B)
MU/PA3BAG via PA3BAG (B)
MU/PA0VHA via PA0VHA (B)
OK2RRR via OK2RZ (B)
OZ/DL1BWU via DL1BWU (B), eQSL
P4/JA3DFM via JA3DFM
P4/JA3OPB) via JA3OPB
P40U via JH3PBL
P40X via JA3AVO
P487IARU via P43E (d), (L)
PC25HR via PC2F (B)
PG6MILL via PA4J
PI4ETL/p sends automatically
PJ2/DL1THM via DL1THM (B)
PJ2/G4MFW via 9V1FJ
PJ4/G4MFW via 9V1FJ
PJ5/G4MFW via 9V1FJ

PJ7/G4MFW via 9V1FJ
PY7RP/6 via PY7RP (B)
PY0FM via PP5XX
RP67IB via RK3DXW (B), (L), eQSL
RP67KE via RW9QA (B)
RP67S via RV3LZ (B)
RP67SO via RW3ZC
RP67ZZ via UA1ZZ
S79RR via DJ9RR (B), (L)
SD7N/4 via DL2RNS (B)
SD7N/6 via DL2RNS (B)
SD7V/4 via DL2VFR (B)
SD7V/6 via DL2VFR (B)
SF3HF via SM3NXS (B)
SN0HS via SP5KP
SN10PK via SP9KAJ
SN25PSM via SP3PSM
SN45CHBW via SP5ZIP
SN70ABK via SP9MZX
SV5/N5ER via N5ER (d) , (L)
SV8/PA1FJ/p via PA1FJ (B)
TM2A via F6KOP (B)
TM3FFI via F8JZR
UF6V via UA5D (B)
UF6V/R2AD via R2AD (B)
UF6V/UA5D via UA5D (B)
UF6VFF via R2AD (B)
V31XB via VE2XB (B)
V62QFL via JH3QFL (B)
W7G via W7SU (d)
YL44WFF via YL2SW (B), (L)
YU/S50HH via S50HH
ZW7R via PR7ZAJ (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSL Manager:
N0ABA (n0aba@cox.net) is looking for a new QSL route for 4F9HXB (sk).

NI5DX is the new QSL manager of ZS3Y. He will confirm all QSOs with
Volker starting from Oct 11, 2008, when he receives the QSLs from
the printer in about six weeks.

QSLs arrived bureau: BD5BAJ, CE4UJU, FR5DZ (F6CXV), HF0BJP (SQ1RMM),
J5NAR (HA0NAR), JW8DW (LA8DW), R10RTRS (R7AA), SU9VB,
TJ3AY (F5LGE), TK4DS (ON4PJA), TX6A (F6AML, 6 years),
ZL8X (DJ2MX)ZY0T (PY1NB)

QSLs arrived LoTW: PJ2/AA9A

6m band extended in Portugal

The National Communications Authority of Portugal (ANACOM) extended the
6m band for Portuguese HAMs and the frequency range 50-52 MHz is now
allocated to amateur radio on a secondary basis after the analogue
TV broadcasting transmissions were completely switched off.

37th HAM RADIO fair in Friedrichshafen

"Amateur radio digital" is the motto of the 37th HAM RADIO fair, which takes
place in Friedrichshafen/Germany from Jun 22-24, 2012. An important part of
the largest amateur radio fair in Europe is the 63rd Lake Constance meeting
with an extensive program of lectures and the flea market.

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NG3K, OE2IKN, VA3RJ, VE2XB, ZS1ZL and others.

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715. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 10 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-10 11:06:07 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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GB5SM Stock Windmill

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ceEpis1YzLY/gb5sm_stock_windmill.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For the 5th successive year the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS)
will be activating Stock Windmill for Mills On The Air Weekend, May 12-13

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Radio Netherlands Dutch service closes down

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HAtawF-8PFE/radio_netherlands_dutch_service_closes_down.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At 2000 GMT Thursday, Radio Netherlands begins its 24-hour farewell
transmission in Dutch that may also see the final transmission from
Orfordness in Suffolk

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Glasgow school wins 70cm CanSat launch competition

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The UK’s Alpha team from Bearsden Academy in Glasgow were awarded first
place in the second European CanSat Competition

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NZ4O Daily Radiowave Propagation Forecast now on Facebook

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NZ4O has begun producing a daily HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast which
will only be available on Facebook

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RAYNET Isle of Man

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/a-vNT5Uy7Fg/raynet_isle_of_man.htm?utm_

source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At a meeting held at Sea Cadet Hall, Tromode on Tuesday evening 8th May;
regarding the future operation of RAYNET Isle of Man, the decision was made
to cease all activity from this moment on

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

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letter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The April issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports
on a mysterious 'X' signal from Israel on 7000 kHz causing interference to
the 40m amateur radio band

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Tony's 10-metre band report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8EfOdNVEthI/may_10.htm?utm_source=feedb
urner&utm_medium=email

Not the greatest of conditions with Wednesday through to Friday being
really flat bringing back memories of 2 years back

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Radio Helped Sink Bismark

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tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The vital role played by radio and two Catalina flying boats from Lough
Erne in sinking the Bismarck will feature on BBC TV this Monday

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Big Sunspot Crackling with Flares and Radio Bursts

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flares_and_radio_bursts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Huge sunspot AR1476 is crackling with M-class solar flares and appears to
be on the verge of producing something even stronger

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SA AMSAT Space Symposium in Durban on Saturday

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_durban_on_saturday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The programme is packed with presentations and demonstrations covering a
wide range of subjects of interest to radio amateurs and persons who have

an interest in science and technology

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Digifest 2012

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The annual 'Digifest' will be held as usual on the 1st full weekend of June
(2012 dates are June 2nd and 3rd). This is going to be Digifest's 5th year,
and its popularity is growing with last year's received LOGs number of more
than 200

716. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 10 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-10 11:15:47 UTC
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Message-ID: <jrNqr.11126$2R.1727@fx19.am4>
Source record: 3083
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> Glasgow school wins 70cm CanSat launch competition
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> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yrTc4E0YaXA/glasgow_schoo_%20wins_70cm_cansat_launch_competition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
>
> The UK's Alpha team from Bearsden Academy in Glasgow were awarded first
> place in the second European CanSat Competition
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not long before it is dumbed down to Buckybottlesat......plenty of rockets
in Glasgow .....

717. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 10 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-10 11:21:21 UTC
From: "Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <wwNqr.255300$m91.47625@fx24.am4>
Source record: 3084
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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> The UK's Alpha team from Bearsden Academy in Glasgow were awarded first
> place in the second European CanSat Competition
>
sounds like some school .... other activities......

http://www.scotsman.com/news/education/sex-in-cupboard-maths-teacher-struck-off-1-2282320

718. The ARRL Letter for May 10, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-10 21:36:57 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120510180412.886FE26DBD0@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 3085
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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+ Available on ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

Please note: There will be no ARRL Audio News
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, May 17. The ARRL
Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter> will be sent out on its regular
schedule that day.

==> + DAYTON HAMVENTION: ARRL EXPO OFFERS ACTIVITIES FOR THE DIYER
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When the ARRL EXPO comes to the Dayton Hamvention® May 18-20, it will bring activities for almost every Amateur Radio activity under the Sun. From radiosport to card checking to scouting to the Youth Lounge, every radio amateur will definitely find something to suit his or her interests. This year -- in addition to our popular kit building station -- watch how "makers" and "hackers" are using Amateur Radio in "Do It Yourself" projects on the DIY Stage in the ARRL EXPO, and hear from hams who are doing-it-themselves. Today's Amateur Radio innovators will demonstrate a variety of creative projects and cool technology right

before your eyes! Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-expo-offers-activities-for-the-diyer>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SEEKS HIGHER VANITY CALL SIGN FEE

The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on May 4, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs. Currently, a vanity call sign costs $14.20 and is good for 10 years; the new fee, if the FCC plan goes through, will go up to $15 for 10 years, an increase of 80 cents. The FCC is authorized by the Communications Act of 1934 (as amended) to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-higher-vanity-call-sign-fee>.

==> + FCC NEWS: SENATE APPROVES TWO NEW FCC COMMISSIONERS, COMMISSION TO BE AT FULL STRENGTH

Six months after President Barack Obama nominated Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Varadaraj Pai to the Federal Communications Commission, the Senate confirmed their appointments on Monday, May 7. Rosenworcel, a Democrat, fills the seat vacated by Michael Copps who retired from the Commission earlier this year; her term runs through June 30, 2015. Pai, a Republican, replaces Meredith Attwell Baker, who left the FCC in June 2010; his term runs through June 30, 2016. Once Rosenworcel and Pai are sworn in, the FCC will be at its full complement of five Commissioners.

According to various reports, the two will be sworn in by the end of this week. Their nominations had been held up since December in an unrelated dispute between the FCC and Senator Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) over agency approval of LightSquared's wireless application. When Grassley received the sought-after documents two weeks ago, he lifted a hold on the nominations. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/senate-approves-two-new-fcc-commissioners-commission-to-be-at-full-strength>.

==> + END OF AN ERA: HEATHKIT EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS CLOSES UP SHOP

For the second time since 1992, Heathkit Educational Services has shuttered its doors. Rumors of the legendary kit-building company's demise were posted on QRZ.com, with several readers bringing the news to the attention of the ARRL. In August 2011, Heathkit announced it was returning to the kit building business, and in September, that it would once again be manufacturing Amateur Radio kits. The ARRL tried to reach Heathkit to confirm that the company is still in business, but their phone and fax numbers have a continuous busy signal, and e-mails to the company have gone unanswered. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/heathkit-educational-systems-closes-up-shop>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: THREE HAMS VENTURE TO ISS NEXT WEEK

NASA will televise <http://www.nasa.gov/ntv> the launch and docking of the next mission to the International Space Station (ISS

<http://www.nasa.gov/station>), scheduled for May 14. NASA Flight Engineer Joseph Acaba, KE5DAR, and his two Russian crewmates, Soyuz Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS, are completing their training as they undergo Soyuz spacecraft fit. Live NASA TV coverage <http://www.nasa.gov/ntv> of the Soyuz TMA-04M spacecraft launch from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan begins at 9 PM CDT on Monday, May 14 (0200 UTC May 15), with the launch scheduled for 10:01 PM CDT (0301 UTC).

The trio will arrive at the station May 16, joining Expedition 31 Commander Oleg Kononenko, RN3DX, of the Russian Federal Space Agency, Flight Engineer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, of NASA and Flight Engineer Andrei Kuipers, PI9ISS, of the European Space Agency, who have been aboard the ISS since December 2011. Padalka, Acaba and Revin will transition to the Expedition 32 crew in July and return to Earth in mid-September. You can watch live online <http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/nasatv/index.html> on the NASA TV Public and Media channels, or on your television set. Contact your local provider for the NASA TV channel in your area. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/three-hams-venture-to-iss-next-week> for a complete schedule of televised events.

==> + BSA TO OFFER MORSE CODE INTERPRETER STRIP

For many years, Boy Scouts and Scouters have been able to earn an interpreter strip to wear on their uniforms. This strip -- worn on the uniform above the right pocket -- denotes proficiency in a foreign language or sign language. Each language has its own strip (with the name of the language embroidered in that language), and some Scouts and Scouters wear more than one strip. Now those hams involved with the Boy Scouts can show their proficiency in Morse code with a Morse code interpreter strip (with M-O-R-S-E spelled out in Morse code). Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/bsa-to-offer-morse-code-interpreter-strip>.

==> ON THE AIR: COAST GUARD TO JOIN ARMED FORCES CROSSBAND COMMUNICATIONS TEST

The US Coast Guard will be joining the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines in the 2012 Armed Forces Crossband Test, scheduled for May 12. In addition to the Coast Guard station, five Army stations, three Air Force stations and six Navy/Marine Corps stations will be on the air to celebrate the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/coast-guard-to-join-armed-forces-crossband-communications-test>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Flashing and frolicsome under the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jzf_yDVbKlA>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily solar flux for the past week rose slightly, 116.2 to 119, but the average daily sunspot numbers declined more than 14 points --

about 13 percent -- to 92.6. The predicted solar flux for the near term is quite a bit higher than the average for the past week: Solar flux on May 10-13 is 130, then 135 on May 14-17, and then it drops sharply to 110 on May 18-22, 115 on May 23-25, 110 on May 26, and then down to 105 on May 27-31. The predicted planetary A index is 22, 15, 10, 8 and 5 on May 10-14, 8 on May 15-16, 5 on May 17-18, 8 and 10 on May 19-20, 15 on May 21-23, 8 on May 24, and 5 on May 25-June 4. The predicted planetary A index of 22 on May 10 looks like a continuation of activity from May 9, which resulted in a planetary A index of 24 and a mid-latitude A index of 19. This was triggered by a pair of coronal mass ejections and solar wind stream, all from sunspot group 1476, which is now swinging into prime geo-effective position. This means it is very close to the center of the visible solar disk, pointing emissions straight toward Earth. It could be the source for more geomagnetic upset. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, May 11. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Ralph Vaughan Williams' Sea Symphony <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sea_Symphony> (III Scherzo The Waves), taken from Walt Whitman's Leaves of Grass <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass> (Book XIX <http://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass/Book_XIX>, After the Sea-Ship <http://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass/Book_XIX#After_the_Sea-Ship>).

==> DXCC NEWS: DXCC DESK APPROVES DXPEDITIONS TO YEMEN AND SOMALIA

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the current 7O6T DXpedition to Yemen and the February 2012 6O3A DXpedition to Somalia have been approved for DXCC credit. "If you had cards that were recently rejected for the 6O3A operation, please send an e-mail <dxcc@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note that due to extremely heavy e-mail, DXCC staff may not respond to your message. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) accounts or in the live, daily DX standings <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc/>. Due to a backup on DXCC e-mail, DXCC staff will make the corrections to accounts, but may not respond directly to messages about this."

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- May 11 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 12 -- FISTS Spring Sprint
- May 12-13 -- Nevada Mustang Roundup; EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party; VOLTA WW RTTY Contest; CQ-M International DX Contest; 50 MHz Spring Sprint
- May 13 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; WAB LF Phone Contest
- May 14 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- May 17 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- May 19 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- May 19-20 -- His Majesty King of Spain Contest (CW); EU PSK DX
Contest; Baltic Contest
- May 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- May 21-22 -- Aegean RTTY Contest
- May 23-24 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electro
nics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah

- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 4 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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719. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 11 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-11 06:42:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ede2152704bfbd0984@google.com>
Source record: 3086
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Ham Nation 47: W5KUB and Michael Kalter on Dayton Hamvention

Posted: 10 May 2012 11:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345650-Ham-Nation-47-W5KUB-and-Michael-Kalter-on-Dayton-Hamvention&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 47: W5KUB and Michael Kalter is available for download and
viewing at http://twit.tv/hn .

Tom Medlin (W5KUB) tells us about W5KUB.com streaming live from Hamvention,
Michael Kalter (W8CI) talks about the Dayton Hamvention, Gordon West
(WB6NOA) shows how to tune in an HF signal, George Thomas (W5JDX) completes
the Frequency Divider and much more.

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"Heart of Georgia" Hamfest, Saturday, May 12

Posted: 10 May 2012 07:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345634-quot-Heart-of-Georgia-quot-Hamfest-Saturday-May-12&goto=newpost

I would like to invite everyone to attend the "Heart of

Georgia" hamfest in Byron GA this coming Saturday, May 12.

I will be presenting an 80 year certificate to Harvey Chase,

W4TG. Unfortunately, this presentation will be done

posthumously. Even when Harvey was in the hospital, he

was aware of the presentation. We told him that if we

could not do it in time, we would make the presentation

as a memorial to him. And that is what we will be doing.

My understanding is that this will be done at a special

time in front of the entire hamfest. Harvey was a very

well respected ham and it will be a fitting tribute to him.

If you are in the area, please try to attend. More details

about the hamfest can be found at

http://www.heartofgeorgiahamfest.com/

Of course we will also have our normal QCWA table, and I

invite you to stop by, sign in, and say hello.

Thanks.

73,

Ken, W8EK

Ken Simpson

QCWA National Director

E-mail to W8EK@FLHam.net or W8EK@arrl.net

Voice Phone (352) 732-8400

720. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1813 - May 11 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-11 09:00:11 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120511090003.0659433C98@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3087
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1813 - May 11 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1813 with a release date of May 11th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. High schoolers in California send a ham radio balloon to the edge of space; Israeli hams protest on-line against DXCC credit for the 7O6T operation from Yemen; W5KUB to again netcast live from the Dayton Hamvention and the latest on the Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championship coming to San Diego. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1813 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: ANACAPA HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON SOARS TO NEAR 112000 FEET

We're not sure if it's a new world altitude record for a ham radio equipped high altitude balloon, but members of the Anacapa Near Space Exploration Club at California's Anacapa School are celebrating the recent success of their second near space probe. One that reached an altitude of almost 112,000 feet. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the rest of the story:

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Balloon launch team: "5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1 - Go!!"

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That's the sound of a group of teenage near-space adventurers lofting a high altitude balloon that would soon soar above California's central coast and then eastward toward the states central valley.

Called Anacapa Amateur High-Altitude Balloon 2, a student team from the Anacapa School launched two payload capsules tethered to a weather balloon on Saturday, May 5th. Equipped with GPS, atmospheric sensors, high-definition video and still cameras, a television transmitter and a Geiger counter, the payload downlinked live data, video and images during its ascent.

Anacapa Amateur High-Altitude Balloon 2 was designed and built entirely by students that included Alex Carlson, KJ6UGF and Genevieve Hatfield, KJ6UGH. They along with non-hams Grayson Baggiolini, Julio Bernal and

Christian Eckert made up the construction and launch team that was under the supervision of faculty advisor Levi Maaia, K6LCM.

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K6LCM: "Two years ago in September of 2010, one of my students, Connor Proctor and I got together and were talking about some of the headlines we had seen on-line about high altitude balloons and decided that it would be a neat project to bring to the Anacapa School in Santa Barbara. So we brought it to the Head Master of the school and said we want to do this. He said what an awesome idea and was behind us 110% as we sought funding for the project and put together a small team of students to spearhead the first launch."

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As the balloon climbed through the thinning air, the decreasing atmospheric pressure caused it to expand nearly ten times in diameter. On reaching its apex above California's Central Valley, the balloon burst, sending the payload back to mother Earth under the canopy of a small parachute. By reaching an altitude of 111,814 feet, this flight shattered the record of the group's own first balloon flight by more than 20,000 feet.

Over the coming weeks the students expect to thoroughly document the flight and analyze the collected data. More information, including photos and a condensed version of the in-flight video can be found online at www.anacapaschool.org/ansec

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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And less we forget to mention, the student group has been working on this high altitude ham radio balloon project since September of 2011. (ARNewsline(tm))

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SCHOOL HAM HAPPENINGS: UK SCHOOL TO HOLD D-STAR SPECIAL EVENT WANTS CONTACTS

A United Kingdom school in the village of Gresham will be hosting a special event station on May 23rd using the D-STAR digital network. The event is specifically for children age 6 to 11 and will use the callsign GB2GVS which stands for Gresham Village School.

Andy Johnston, 2E0AIV, is the event coordinator. He says that they have already arranged link-ups with schools in Northern Ireland, the United States and England, but are looking for more countries and schools to participate. If anyone is interested, they can contact Andy via e-mail to 2e0avi (at) 2e0aiv (dot) co (dot) uk.

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ENFORCEMENT NEEDED: RADIO MYANMAR INTERFERENCE ON 40 METERS

The South African Radio League reports that Radio Myanmar has been found to be broadcasting illegally on 7.110 MHz. The station is transmitting using full carrier AM from 15:30 UTC every day and is causing interference on South Africa's publicized region wide emergency communications frequency.

According to the South African Radio League, steps are being taken to issue a formal objection but this takes time and the correct procedures need to be followed. Meantime, South Africa's Hamnet emergency communications response group has sent an official complaint directly to Radio Myanmar and requested that it move frequency. (SARL)

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DX NEWS: 7O6T YEMEN OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC OVER PROTESTS OF ISRAELI HAMS

Over complaints that were voiced on QRZ.com and other public websites by some Israeli hams, the ARRL DXCC Awards Desk has approved the current 7O6T operation from Yemen for DXCC credit. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is here with more:

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A small but vocal number of Israeli hams have been arguing on-line that the 7O6T from Yemen should not be allowed for DXCC because the operators refused to make contact with 4X and 4Z prefix hams. They note that Israel has no banned countries list and as such refusal of the 7O6T operators to contact them was at least a violation of the principals and the spirit of the DXCC program.

While its true that Israel has no banned countries list, many of its neighbors consider themselves technically in a state of war with the Jewish state and have been since its creation through partitioning following World War 2. As such these nations ban hams operating under their jurisdiction from making contact with their counterparts in Israel.

The 7O6T operation reportedly has the support of Yemen's Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of Information, the Ministry of Radio and the Ministry of Telecommunications and Information Technology. As such it is a pretty good guess that not recognizing Israeli stations was a decree imposed by Yemen on the 7O6T operating team and not one of their own choosing.

At airtime, it's not known if any of the protesting Israeli hams contacted the ARRL DXCC Desk regarding this issue of if it was just another of those cyberspace only arguments. Either way it came to an abrupt end on Saturday, May 5th. That's when ARRL Awards Branch Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, issued a news release stating that the current 7O6T operation from Yemen along with the earlier 6O3A DXpedition to Somalia have been granted DXCC approval. As such, both will be counted for

DXCC credit.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The 7O6T adventure began at 2100 UTC Monday, April 30th and has been causing massive pile-ups wherever the operators show up. It will continue through 2100 UTC on May 15th.

Up until this operation began, Yemen was ranked as number 5 in the DX Magazine's list of most wanted entities behind North Korea, plus Navassa, Bouvet and Heard Islands.

We will have more DX news later on in this week's Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARNewsline, QRZ.com, ARRL DXCC Desk)

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RESTRUCTURING: 6 METER EXTENSION GRANTED IN PORTUGAL

Now that terrestrial analog TV has been switched off in Portugal, the National Communications Authority has agreed to extend the 6 meter band for radio amateurs. As a result, Portuguese Category 1, A and B amateurs can now use 50 to 52 MHz on a secondary basis with a maximum power output of 25 watts. (GB2RS)

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RADIO RULES: VANITY CALLSIGN FEE MAY GO UP 80 CENTS

The FCC has released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that, among other things, would raise the cost of obtaining a vanity callsign to $15.00 for a ten year license term. The current cost is $14.20 which in essence means an increase of only 80 cents if the rule making is approved. (FCC)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KJ3LR repeater serving Bradenton, Florida.

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO AND SCOUTING: BSA ANNOUNCES NEW MORSE CODE INTERPRETER STRIP

The Boy Scouts of America have just announced a new "Interpreter Strip" for Morse Code. An "Interpreter Strip" on the uniform means that the Scout or adult leader is able to communicate in a particular language. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramovich, NT3V, explains:

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Those older Scouts and former Scouts among you may remember the Boy Scout requirements that said a Scout had to learn Morse Code or signal flags to send and receive a message. And, even though that requirement has disappeared and Morse Code is no longer mandatory to get any amateur radio license in the United States, the BSA is reviving Morse Code as a "language" worth learning.

You can probably credit Jim Wilson, K5ND, for getting this one from concept to reality.

He's the BSA's "Jamboree on the Air" organizer and the volunteer chairman for the next K2BSA operation at the 2013 National Boy Scouts Jamboree at the Summit in West Virigina.

Wilson works at BSA headquarters in Texas and is a big promoter of amateur radio in Scouting. So much so, Wilson says he organized a national Radio Scouting advisory committee last year to get stronger support in the amateur and Scouting community for JOTA.

Earlier this year, Wilson says a member of that committee made a suggestion about getting some additional Scouting recognition for amateur radio.

Wilson says there were some ideas that eventually evolved into exploring the "interpreter" strip worn on the Scout uniform to show a Scout has some ability to speak a certain language.

Wilson admits he came up with the idea for "Morse" on the strip - but in the letters of the language - dah-dah, dah-dah-dah, di-dah-dit, dit-dit-dit, dit."

Wilson says he quickly moved the idea over to the BSA's national awards committee where it got a favorable reception and approval within months.

So how does a boy earn it?

Wilson says there are three requirements, the first....

"It's carrying on a 5-minute conversation in Morse Code at a speed of at least 5 words per minute," Wilson explains. "And, then the second one, copying correctly a 2-minute message sent in Morse Code at a minimum of 5-words-per-minute.

"And, copying of course means writing the message down as it's received. And, then, three, sending a 25-word written document in Morse Code at a minimum of 5 words per minute."

Wilson says Scouts can be certified by their Scoutmaster or maybe even a ham who's an adult Scout leader.

Wilson says the idea is to further cement the bonds of brotherhood between Scouting and ham radio operators. And, of course, Wilson is....

"Eager to increase participation in amateur radio to provide an opportunity for Scouts to get involved in a fun hobby, a hobby that promotes communicating with lots of Scouts and others around the country and around the world," Wilson says. "And, it's science, it's technology, it's engineering, it's math - the stem items that are of enormous interest right now and frankly have been in Boy Scouting for quite some time."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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For more on the new Boy Scouts of America Interpreter Strip for Morse Code please visit tinyurl.com/scouting-morse-code on the World-Wide-Web. (NT3V, ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $10000 FINE AGAINST OHIO AM STATION

The FCC has affirmed a $10,000 Monetary Forfeiture Order it issued to Taylor Broadcasting Company which is the licensee of AM Station WJTB in Elyria, Ohio . This for the station willfully and repeatedly violating Section 73.1125(a) of the Commission's rules by failing to maintain a management and staff presence at the station's main studio.

As previously reported, back on February 13th the Enforcement Bureau's Detroit Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability in the amount of $10,000 to Taylor Broadcasting. Since then, Taylor Broadcasting has not filed a response to the NAL.

Now, based on the information before it, on May 2nd the FCC has affirmed the monetary forfeiture. Its also given Taylor Broadcasting the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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MEDIA STATS: CABLE LOOSES AND OVER THE AIR VIEWERSHIP REMAINS DOMINANT

Some fascinating home viewing media statistics. According to Multichannel News, United States cable system operators lost about 2 point 9 million video subscribers in 2011. That's a drop of 1 point 5 percent in the overall pay-TV market.

Meanwhile, households with broadband and only free, over-the-air broadcast TV increased by 631,000 over the course of last year, climbing 14% to 5.1 million. Broadcast-only homes dropped 1%, to about 11 million households versus 11.15 million a year earlier.

Whether or not the broadband-plus-free-TV increase reflects a gathering cord-cutting trend, the survey found that 98% of video viewing remained on traditional TV in the 4th quarter of 2011. (Multichannel News)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ILLW REGISTRATION HITS THE 200 MARK

Registration for the 2012 International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend has topped the double century mark. This with word that the West Side Amateur Radio Club of Los Angeles is the 200th registratant for this years event with its members operating station W6A at the Port Fermin Lighthouse located near the San Pedro port area of the city.

The entry by the West Side Amateur Radio Club puts the USA on 28 registrations/ Australia is so far number one with 38 followed by Germany 33, England with 16, and The Netherlands sporting 13. The total of nations committed to the event so far is nearing 30.

International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend will be held on August the 18th and 19th. Find out more or register your lighthouse by visiting the ILLW (dot) net. (VK3PC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NORTHERN IRELAND AMATEUR RADIO CONFERENCE JUNE 16

>From the ham radio social page, if you plan to be in Ireland on June 16th, you might want to stop by the Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference. Sponsored by the West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club the venue this year is the Technology Education Centre in the town of Omagh. Featured will be lectures, seminars and demonstrations along with commercial vendors and booth representing special interest groups and various national amateur radio societies. Again the date for the 2012 Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference at the Technology Education Centre in Omagh. (IRTS)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: W5KUB TO NETCAST LIVE FROM HAMVENTION 2012

Closer to home, Tom Medlin, W5KUB, will once again be streaming live television from the 2012 Dayton Hamvention.

Tom will begin his live webcast on Wednesday morning May 16th at 0800 Central, broadcasting his 550 mile drive. He will then set up shop in the Hamvention Flea Market and will spend the next three days bringing you the sights and sounds of Hamvention 2012 before live-casting his drive home.

While on the web from Hamvention Tom and his crew will be interviewing some of ham radios best known celebrities. This includes television producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, of the hit television comedy Last Man Standing.

So if you cannot be at Hamvention in person, you can enjoy part of the festivities vicariously by tuning in via the Internet to w5kub dot com. Again that's w5kub dot com for this years live netcast from Hamvention 2012. (W5KUB)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NEWSLINE FORUM AT HAMVENTION - "HAM RADIO IN THE YEAR 2112"

Also a reminder that we at Amateur Radio Newsline will once again be hosting the annual Ham Radio Town Meeting at Hamvention 2012. This years topic is titled "Imagining the Future: Ham Radio in the Year 2112" and takes an optimistic look at the way we may be operating as a hobby and a service 100 years from now.

This years presenters include CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU; IARU Secretary Rod Staffdord, W6ROD and teenage ham radio high altitude balloon enthusiast Erin King, AK4JG, to name only three. They will be joined by several other notables from the world of amateur radio on a journey through time into what may be our future.

Look for us on Saturday, May 20th in Meeting Room 2 at the Hara Arena. Our session runs from 11:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and we promise you a fun and imaginative time. We hope to see many of you there. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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OFF THE AIR: RADIO CANADA INTERNATIONAL TO END SHORTWAVE AND SATELLITE BROADCASTS

The shortwave bands will soon be a little less entertaining. This after it was announced that an 80% budget cut is forcing Radio Canada International to abandon shortwave and satellite radio broadcasting, leaving the World-Wide-Web as RCI's only delivery method.

The latest cut of $10 million takes place on June 26th. Once in effect, a date will be set to end the broadcasts from Radio Canada International's Sackville, New Brunwick, transmission site which will then be abandoned. Besides ending shortwave and satellite broadcasting, Radio Canada International will also lose its news operation and cease producing its own programming. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K9VV APPOINTED NEW SECTION MANAGER FOR THE US VIRGIN ISLANDS

Some names in the news. First up is Fred Kleber, K9VV, who has been appointed as Section Manager of the Virgin Islands Section beginning May 1, 2012. Kleber, of Christainsted, is taking the reins from John

Ellis, NP2B, who is planning to move out of the section. Ellis has been Section Manager of the Virgin Islands since 1996. Kleber has served as the Section Emergency Coordinator of the Virgin Islands this past year. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: THREE SHUTTLE VETERANS INDUCTED INTO THE ASTRONAUT HALL OF FAME

The U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame has inducted three new space travelers into its ranks. On Saturday, May 5th, Kevin Chilton, Franklin Chang Diaz, and Charles Precourt, became the Hall of Fame's 11th class of space shuttle astronauts and the first to be inducted after the 30 year program had come to its end.

The three were enshrined during a public ceremony held at NASA's Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex in Florida, which includes the Hall of Fame. To have been eligible for induction in 2012, the astronauts needed to have made their first space mission in 1994 or earlier. They also had to be retired from flight status as a NASA commander, pilot or mission specialist for at least five years, be a U.S. citizen; and have orbited the Earth at least once.

Induction of the shuttle veterans raised the number of honorees in the Hall of Fame to 81. This includes all of the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo pioneers. (NASA via N6ZXJ)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FOX PROJECT REVIEW SAYS BIRD DEVELOPMENT ON TRACK

AMSAT's Fox Satellite Project has completed its preliminary design review and is looking good. Mechanical, RF, control, power, and related issues were evaluated at the three night session in late April with the needed development for various systems refined.

One thing that became evident is that AMSAT is in need of an experienced RF designer for the Fox-1 satellite. Due to international trade restrictions the person must be a US citizen or permanent resident. If you interested please send an e-mail with your phone number to Tony Monteiro to AA2TX (at) amsat (dot) org.

Currently, Fox-1 is slated for launch in the second half of 2013. (AMSAT-NA)

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AWARDS NEWS: DXCC ONLINE APPLICATION TURN-AROUND.

The ARRL's new on-line DXCC application system appears to be up and running quite smoothly. This according to Steve Lawrence, WB6RSE, of Los Angeles California.

WB6RSE tells the Ohio Penn DX Newsletter that he submitted an Online DXCC application just prior to the recent International DX Convention in Visalia, California. At the convention he had his cards checked and the paperwork accepted for forwarding to the DXCC desk for processing. Just two weeks later, the credits appeared in Steve's Logbook of the World DXCC Account Status. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: KK5W FROM GALVESTON TEXAS ON MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND

On the air, listen out for members of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club activating the call KK5W to be active during the Museum Ships Weekend on June 2nd and 3rd. Operations will be from radio rooms of WWII Submarine USS Cavalla and Destroyer Escort USS Stewart at Seawolf Park on Pelican Island in Galveston, Texas. They plan to operate on 40 through 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL with a self addressed stamped envelope to KK5W as listed on QRZ.com. More information is available on-line at www.bvarc.org (BVARC)

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DX

In DX, the Wessex Contest Group will be operating from the Isle of Skye through the 19th of May. They will be using a variety of equipment including some homebrew gear, a number of QRP stations along with the normal high power modern contest gear. QSL via EB7DX either direct, via the bureau or via Logbook of The World.

F5IRO is expected to return to Uganda in early May. With the help of 5X1D he hopes to get his license during the first week and plans to become QRV on CW on the high frequency bands in the evenings. Some PSK may be possible also. QSL via F8DFP.

DH2AK and DL1THM, will be active portable PJ2 from Curacao on a holiday style operation through May 18th. They will be on the air using the PJ2A club station mainly on SSB on 20 and 15 meters. QSL via bureau to their home calls.

Brothers ZB3M and ZB2ER are using the special calls ZQ3M and ZQ2ER from Gibralter through June 10th. This, to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. QSL direct only to ZB3M.

ZS6RGV is the new radio operator on the Marion Island base. His equipment includes an Icom IC-736 transceiver and FL-7000 amplifier. ZS1HF is going to help him with applying for a ZS8 call and will act as his QSL manager.

Lastly, an international team of operators will be on the air as 3D2C from Conway Reef between September 24th and October 5th. Activity will be on 160 through 2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. QSL via YT1AD, direct or by the bureau.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: ARDF CHAMPIONSHIPS COMING TO SAN DIEGO CA

And finally this week, they call themselves foxtailers, but they're not really after those bushy-tailed creatures. Here's the straight scoop from Newsline's Joe Moell, K0OV, who is also ARRL's Direction Finding Coordinator.

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They range in age from the teens to the 70's, and they're coming from all over the USA to compete in the most physical of all ham radio sports. I'm talking about on-foot hidden transmitter hunters, also called foxtailers and radio-orienteers. Their sport is called Amateur Radio Direction Finding, or ARDF.

It's all done on foot in a BIG outdoor space. Thanks to a set of standard international rules, it's pretty much the same all over the world, so we can have international competitions. Your mission is to try to find up to five hidden ham radio transmitters without assistance while on the run, or trotting, or just walking. You'll carry a map and compass so you don't get lost.

You can mix in with the USA's best radio-orienteers at the twelfth national ARDF championships in the mountains east of San Diego during the week and weekend after Memorial Day. It starts off with two days of intense training, followed by three days of competition, all near Mount Laguna. You can stay in the lodge there or camp out among the tall pines.

Learn from the experts, then see how you do for yourself out on the courses. You don't have to be a marathoner to be successful, but it helps to be in good shape. There are nine separate categories with medals for the best three in each, so you'll only be competing against people of your own age range and gender. If you're in the top three of your category, you'll get a medal, and maybe you'll be invited to join ARDF Team USA as it travels to Serbia for the World ARDF Championships this September.

Registration for the championships is now open, so start making plans. You can read all the details and get the registration form on the web at www.homingin.com. That's homingin -- as one word -- homingin.com.

I hope to see YOU at the championships. For Amateur Radio Newsline, this is Joe Moell K-Zero-Oscar-Victor.

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Again, for more information on this and other ham radio direction finding events, please take your web browser to www dot homingin dot com. (K0OV)

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A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 from Charleston, West Virginia, and we thank you for listening.

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING MAY 13 2012.

CubeSat workshop in Canberra

Philip VK3JNI on the WIA National Field Day.

St. Anthony's parish school Canberra ISS contact thanks to VK1IRC Peter.

Summits on the Air activity growing in VK

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 13 2012.

Public appeal, Central VK4 Region - Aircraft distress call

Police are appealing for public information in relation to an emergency
radio message received from an aircraft around 5.45pm yesterday in central
Queensland.

Around that time, another pilot in the air near Alpha reported hearing a
distress call to the relevant authorities.

Anyone that may have information relating to an overdue aircraft in the area,
including recreational aircraft such as ultralights, are urged to contact
Rockhampton Police on 4932 3500.

It is believed the distress call may have been made from within an area encompassing Quilpie, Alpha, Winton and Hughenden.

Anyone with information which could assist police with their investigations should contact Crime Stoppers anonymously via 1800 333 000 or crimestoppers.com.au

CubeSat workshop in Canberra

Australia is to hold a low cost space missions workshop in July that will explore the NASA CubeSat initiative to include an 8kg 6U satellite, designed to perform some of the Earth observation missions of larger 100 kg microsatellites.

The 6U CubeSat has a range of possible missions related to astronomy, atmospheric and other planetary science, space physics, observation and biology.

The workshop is particularly aimed at scientists and engineers interested in payload and mission concepts that take advantage of the greater payload capacity of the 6U CubeSat.

The Technology Keynote speaker is John W. Hines, Chief Technologist, NASA-Ames Research Centre.

Science Keynote is Professor Harvey Butcher, Director Research School of Astronomy and Astrophysics, and the Chair, Dr Steven Tsitas, Senior Research Associate, Australian Centre for Space Engineering Research, University of New South Wales.

Registration details of the July 17 and 18 workshop in Canberra, the world's first on the 6U CubeSat, are now available.

The URL is http://www.acser.unsw.edu.au/events/cubesat.html#register

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Summits on the Air activity growing in VK

SOTA activity has continued to increase in April with new summits activators, operators activating for the first time and more operators joining the SOTA chase. Summits activated include Mt Cope in the Victorian high country; Mt Langi Ghiran, Mt Abrupt and Mt Sturgeon in and near the Grampians and no less than 5 summits within 2 metre range of Melbourne. Chasers have come from most call areas of VK and a good number from Europe. Life may be too short for QRP, but QRP is making it to Europe on 20 metres.

Efforts are continuing to bring SOTA activations to summits in VK1, 2 and 5. If you would like to help out or simply just find out more, check out the Yahoo Groups: SOTA Australia on the web at groups.yahoo.com/group/SOTA_Australia

If you would like to know more about SOTA, and are in Melbourne, the EMDRC are having a SOTA presentation by Wayne Merry VK3WAM next Friday, the 18th of May. All are welcome to attend this meeting, starting at 8pm

in the EMDRC club rooms at Milpara Scout Hall, 13A McCubbin St. Burwood.

(Wayne VK3WAM)

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This is Philip VK3JNI with a brief update on the WIA National Field Day.

The support by radio clubs in all states of Australia over the weekend of the 14th and 15th of April continued to promote the hobby of amateur radio. Many private stations where heard on air assisting stations with contacts and reports during the weekend.

The clubs and individual operators who made the effort to demonstrate the hobby of amateur radio to the public should receive the congratulations of not only the WIA membership, but the amateur radio community as a whole.

Hundreds of people encountered our field day stations during this major Public Relations activity. The challenge now for the participating teams, is to convert some of the interest generated into new amateur radio operators and enthusiasts.

Personally I thank the participating teams in VK3 for the welcome I received over the two days. I was impressed with the effort and enthusiasm displayed by the operators and all those present at the stations.

Please remember to submit your reports and logs to the WIA before Friday 18th May. The WIA wish to acknowledge your work in promoting the hobby

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

As all amateur radio operators are continually trying for that long distance QSO, one outer space contact was made in VK1 earlier this month. On Tuesday 3rd April 2012 at 20:13 UTC (18:13 Local Canberra time), a succuss full contact was made between St. Anthony's parish school, Wanniassa Canberra, where VK1IRC Peter's two sons attend, and Earth telebridge ground station Tony Hutchinson VK5ZAI in Kingston, South Australia with Keith Pugh, W5IU in Fort Worth Texas as Master of Ceremonies.

A full school hall was present to witness this amazing once in a life time event. All students at the school were asked to write a question to the Astronauts, of which Ten lucky students were selected to ask the Commander of the International Space station, Dan Burbank their questions, of which he provided excellent responses to the students. Commander Dan Burbank is the current commander of expedition 30.

Application for inclusion to participate in the ARISS programme (or Amateur radio on board the International space station) is a lengthy process, taking

up to 18 months for a school or educational institution to be selected and setup with the space station crew. From the moment Peter VK1IRC told the school about this opportunity, St Anthony's school truly embraced the idea and entered the queue. The opportunity came around faster than expected, being selected within twelve months, and the race to get everything in order was on.

As the contact is made using a phone patch device to an analogue line that is connected back to Tony VK5ZAI's base station, a lengthy run of phone cable was required to patch the device into the school's fax line located at the front of the school to the school hall which was at the other end of the school. Once this cable run was achieved, Tony mails the phone patch to you and you then set it up with the line and auditorium speakers. To make the contact even more enjoyable, a laptop with an internet connection was setup and after a brief presentation and introduction, a live view of the space station's position was projected so the audience could see that it was tracking over South Australia, VK5ZAI's ground station as the students talked live to Dan Burbank with the space station travelling in an orbit of around 27,000 Km an hour. This allowed for around a 10 minute window to talk from acquisition of signal to loss of signal, when the space stations dips over the horizon.

Leading up to the contact, St. Anthony's got into the space theme, with all the students preparing drawings of space and the solar system. These pictures were all on display in the hall on the evening resulting in a great educational event for everyone.

After the contact, the ten students that talked to Dan were awarded a certificate signed by Michael Owen, President WIA and Tony Hutchinson VK5ZAI.

Organising an event such as this does take time and Peter VK1IRC worked closely with Tony in South Australia to make sure that it was a night for everyone to remember. This contact, as is every ARISS scheduled contact to the ISS is also relayed live over EchoLink conference node *AMSAT*.
Each contact is also recorded and stored for playback at a later stage. The contact with St.Anthonys , along with others can be heard here by connecting to this conference node and entering the command .play 8.

Peter VK1IRC hopes to work with Tony again in the future and provide more schools and students in VK1 the opportunity to talk with an astronaut all in the name of education and what can be achieved in the world of Amateur radio.

(Peter VK 1 IRC)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

MDRC Hamfest 2012

The Moorabbin and District Amateur Radio club are pleased to announce, this year's Hamfest will be held in at a BRAND NEW LOCATION with improved access

and parking.

This year's event will be at the Southern Community Centre, Rupert Drive, Mulgrave (Melways map ref 80 F4) on Saturday 26th May 2012 - doors opening at 10am.

The Moorabbin Radio Club's annual Hamfest is proud to be Victoria's biggest with displays and sales of new and preloved equipment. A must come must see event for anyone interested in Radio Communications and Electronics.

Major door prizes, free tea and coffee, light refreshments and a sausage sizzle will also be on offer.

Trader table bookings and general enquires can be made by emailing Graeme Lewis VK3GL (vk3gl@bigpond.com) or by phoning mobile 0418 171601.

A Must see, must come event!!

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FNNQARG 2012 Cancelled

At the May Management Meeting of theTARCinc it was reluctantly decided to cancel participation in the Far North and North Queensland Amateur Radio Gathering - due mainly to lack of support from Far Northern clubs who will be otherwise engaged in other activities during the Queens Jubilee Long Weekend in June.

There will be discussions amongst TARC club members during the next few Management Meetings to put together a more sustainable program of opportunities for hams in the north to attend gatherings in the field designed to enhance social contact and provide a chance for relaxation and radio operating in well supported yet economical camp sites.

HOWEVER! The Clairview Gathering weekend WAS a great success during the May Long Weekend.

Hams from as far as Charters Towers and Gladstone made a beeline to the Clairview Beach Holiday Park to enjoy a weekend of catching up, idea swapping, relaxing, outdoor cooking, portable radio operations and participation in a foxhunting session, a lovely evening banquet and the famous Mega Auction.

A view of the Super Moon across the bay and the procurement of such treasured items as morse keys, vintage radio equipment, computer and antenna gear, HANDBAGS, and other quality goods highlighted by the creative auctioning by Roy VK4RM assisted by Clive VK4ACC, Tony VK4HOG and Neil VK4MKY made the trip even more worthwhile.

Clive VK4ACC , Secretary RADAR CLUB in Rockhampton did a 40 minute presentation on radio and F Licencing at a local primary school recently.

All grade 6 and 7 pupils attended.

A small display and demo showing smallest ham radios to a large base stn HF went down well.

The kids loved it and were interested enough to stay behind and ask questions.

Looks like a weekend in training and a day doing assessments for a couple of teachers and a few students.

Looks promising for new recruits.

Looking Out for Your Mates

Greetings from the WIA, this is Ewan VK4ERM, considering Looking Out for Your Mates.

Within the Amateur Radio community we should be looking Out for Our Mates in many direct and indirect ways.

Operating our equipment in a comfortable shack at home, mobile through innumerable places in this broad land or setting up a field or portable station for a contest or to escape urban RF noise provide ample opportunities for Looking Out for Your Mates.

Unfortunately it is a truism that familiarity does breed contempt or at least avoidable carelessness or the taking of unnecessary risks. Sometimes the first we become aware of the error of judgement is when a situation goes wrong resulting in damage to what we have been working on, a minor physical inconvenience or personal injury.

What would you reasonably expect a mate to do in such circumstances? What would you do if you were witness to the potential for such a situation occurring?

In the first case a friendly word of caution from your mate may be all that was needed to jolt you out of complacency to reconsider your course of action. In the second case wouldn't you believe it was your responsibility to caution your mate on the likely outcome of his or her actions?

Either way, both situations demonstrate Looking Out for Your Mates and unlikely to cause offence with real mates.

The foregoing physical cause and effect situations are readily observable to which we can spontaneously react without offence to those with whom we are familiar. Far worse and more insidious is the onset and manifestation of mental stress. The gradual change in the behaviour of a mate may be so subtle that in the long term we don't notice it nor become aware of the past and present circumstances causing the change.

However, it is unfortunate that the first we become aware that a mate is under stress is when he or she explodes or crashes with unpredictable behaviour and outcomes. This is when you have to be Looking Out for Your

Mates, hopefully before situations come to a head and afterward if too late.

We like to think that we know and understand those whom we have known for years or decades but the reality is there may be disturbing or traumatic events buried in their memory and eating away at their very being; events and emotions they have never communicated to others, not even their mates.

Those in the far reaching fraternity of Amateur Radio are no different and if you become aware of changes in the personality and behaviour of your Amateur Radio friends in any circumstances then it is truly time to be Looking Out for Your Mates.

The changes you see may be their cry for help.

Look Out for Your Mates

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80metres Phone May 12
VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Repeater for Android

The latest version of Repeater for Android and Playbook by ZBM2 Software now includes repeater information for Australia, VK, as well as the UK, Germany, Italy, Poland, Norway, Spain, with more countries soon.

Features

Easily find Amateur Radio Repeaters across the UK, Europe and Australia.

• Complete database of UK Analogue, IRLP, EchoLink and D-Star repeaters.

• Growing database of German, Italian, Polish, Norwegian, Spanish and Australian repeaters, with more countries soon.

• Use network, GPS or a Locator to find Repeaters.

• No network connection required.

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zbm2.com/repeater - Goes straight to Repeater on Google Play

Web www.zbm2.com

nick@zbm2.com

E 51 WL in the North Cook Islands has been heard on 6 meters. Keep an ear open for him just before 2300 UTC on or around 50.120 MHz
QSL as directed on the air

One for the prefix hunters to look out for this month is R1945HS
which is celebrating the 67th Anniversary of the end of World War 2.
The call will be in use until 31 May and QSL info is via RW6HS.

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD MARKS 50,000 USERS

On May 1, Dragan Pavlovic, YT3PDT, completed his registration process for Logbook of The World (LoTW), becoming the 50,000th person to take advantage of the ARRL's online QSL confirmation system.

According to ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N there are more than 3500 individuals from outside the US in the process of obtaining a digital certificate, and more than 1800 individuals inside the US who have started the certificate process, but not yet finished.

4KS0NG - Eurovision Song Contest Azerbaijan

Sixteen amateur radio special event stations are being run in Azerbaijan to celebrate the Eurovision Song Contest.

The 2012 Eurovision Song Contest will take place on the 22nd, 24th and 26th of May in the capital of Azerbaijan, Baku. Azerbaijan won the right to host the contest when viewers and professional juries across Europe chose their 2011 entry "Running Scared" by Ell/Nikki as winner.

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan will be celebrating "EUROVISION SONG CONTEST 2012" and is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio stations that have established two-way communications with EUROVISION-2012 special event stations from Azerbaijan.

RULES:
1. Available to all Amateurs and SWLs.
2. Contact period: March 15 until June 15, 2012.
3. Make 3 (three) two way contacts with EUROVISION-2012 special event stations using HF, VHF and UHF frequencies either in SSB, CW or Digital modes. Repeater, cross band or echo link QSOs will not be acceptable.
4. To earn the award, it is obligatory to make at least one QSO with 4KS0NG

or 4JS0NG.

List of special event stations:

4KS0NG, 4JS0NG, 4K2012SONG, 4J12SONG, 4K9SONG, 4K12SONG, 4K6SONG, 4J5SONG, 4J7SONG, 4JR0SONG, 4J1SONG, 4K1SONG, 4J9SONG, 4K4SONG, 4K8SONG 4J4SONG.

The award is free of charge, but applicants should send sufficient postage to cover the mailing costs, such as:4 Euro or 5USD or 5 new valid IRCs.

Applications for the award may be submitted in both hard copy and on the E-mail: ru3sd@yandex.ru

Mailing address:
Vasily Bardin (RU3SD)
P.O. Box 1,
Ryazan' 390000
Russia

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

High-performance HF transceiver design

The free fortnightly magazine EDN (Electronic Design News) features an article about amateur radio high-performance HF transceiver design.

The article by Doug Grant K1DG describes how high-end ham equipment reaches new levels of performance using state-of-the-art technology and design tricks.

Read High-performance HF transceiver design: A ham's perspective
http://www.edn.com/article/521690-High_performance_HF_transceiver_design_A_ham_s_perspective.php

Read Doug's previous article in EDN - Ham radio in the 21st century
http://www.edn.com/article/519742-Ham_radio_in_the_21st_century.php

Read previous issues of EDN at
http://www.edn.com/archive/

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

FDMDV Open Source 1400 bps HF Modem

David VK5DGR has made available open source software for a 1400 bps HF modem.

F.D.M.D.V. stands for Frequency Division Multiplexed Digital Voice.

A FDM modem is a basically a bunch of slow modems running in parallel. For example FDMDV has 14 carriers spaced 75 Hz apart, each running at 50 symbols/second.

Due to multipath problems on HF this approach works better than one carrier running at 14*50 = 700 symbols/second.

Each symbol is encoded two bits using differential QPSK, so the bit rate is 1400 bit/s.

One of the applications of the modem will be Digital Voice since it offers fast sync, no multi-second training sequences, the ability to recover quickly after a fade, and no automatic re-transmit of "bad" packets.

http://www.rowetel.com/blog/?page_id=2458

https://lists.sourceforge.net/lists/listinfo/freetel-codec2

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

RFINDER FOR APPLE PORTABLE PRODUCTS RELEASED

W2CYK has announced the latest platform release of RFinder - The World Wide Repeater Directory. The new version is designed for Apple iPhone, iPad and iPod users and is available for immediate download from the Apple App Store.

Previous versions of RFinder run on Android based gear and can be found on-line with a quick google.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

A milestone for the ILLW scored in the USA

The West Side Amateur Radio Club of Los Angeles W6A is the 200th registration for this year's International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend with its members to set up at the Port Fermin Lighthouse.

The Stick Style lighthouse is an early Victorian architectural method characterised by its gabled roofs, horizontal siding, decorative cross beams and hand carved porch railings. A decade ago the lighthouse was restored.

The entry by the West Side Amateur Radio Club put the USA on 28 registrations, behind Australia with 38 and Germany 33, followed by England 16, and The Netherlands on 13 with the total countries so far involved nearing 30.

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend in a fun event. It will be held for the 15th time on August the 18th and 19th. Check it out and register for the weekend by visiting the website ILLW.NET

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Recently I found myself discussing satellite communications with a group of Amateurs. It dawned on me that I had been using 1 Watt to transmit to geostationary orbit, more than 35,000km away. Compared to a circumnavigation of the earth at 40,000km, that's most of the way there.

Yes, I know, there are no obstacles, it's basically focused line of sight, but you don't get ionosphere bounce or ducting either, so I figure, it all balances out in the long run. My point being that this is a QRP broadcast, less than 5 Watts and it gets into orbit, that's quite something if you think about it.

I continue to hear amateurs complaining about how little power they have. It's not limited to Foundation Calls, I hear Standard licensees hanging out for their Advanced call so they can use more power and I hear Advanced calls complain that other countries can use a Kilowatt, so why can't we? What's next, a Megawatt, what about a Gigawatt Amateur Radio transmitter?

While I completely understand the pull toward more power and I applaud those who are working to increasing our allocation, I don't really share the same need. To me it's a little like a Turbo button on an IBM PC, or souping up your car. I get that it's a challenge, I get that it can be fun and I get that it does more when it goes faster. I get that we learn from pushing the envelope and potentially breaking things.

What I don't get it that there is the equivalent of disdain for those who try to achieve their aims using less power.

To me the skill is getting the job done with as little power as possible. It's better for the bands, it's better for interference, power consumption, wear and tear, danger and all the other things that come from pushing more power.

Why is it that more power is more important that less power?

I'm Onno, VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Julian Sortland, VK2YJS / AG6LE dropped the news desk an item through the week using Wi-Fi over the North Sea!

Are you are a Norwegian living in Australia?

Did you know you can use the AX prefix to celebrate your National Day "17 May" here in Australia?

This is because the Norwegian National Day, known simply as "17 May", happens to coincide with World Communications Day, for which the ACMA allows any VK Amateur use of the AX prefix. And if you do hear an LA, LB or LC station, or a rare JW or JY, wish them Happy 17 May.

CALIFORNIA COPPER THIEVES UPGRADE TO FIBER OPTICS

Copper thieves in California have expanded to stealing glass as well.

In this case we are talking about glass as in fibre optic cable. In one case some AT&T customers in the city of Alpine experienced disruptions in phone and Internet service after thieves stole copper and fibre optic wiring from underground lines.

The thieves took about 75 feet of 600 strand fibre optic cable along with the copper wiring. To accomplish this the robbers climbed into a manhole and cut into the underground pipes. An AT&T spokesperson said that three conduits carrying fibre optic or copper cables were damaged and that the vandalism affected some cell phone users as well.

The theft of fibre optic lines is something new and could signal a developing market for this kind of product.

DELFI C3 DO-64 CELEBRATES 4 YEARS IN SPACE

The 3-unit CubeSat, developed by a University in the Netherlands was launched on April 28, 2008. The nanosatellite has since performed technology demonstration experiments for the space industry in the Netherlands.

It still transmits its telemetry and measurement data which can be received using simple amateur radio equipment and using the RASCAL software.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

ANTENNA RESTRICTIONS IN BELGIUM GET TIGHTER

If you think it's hard to put up an antenna in some locations here in the USA its nothing in comparison to what's happening in Belgium. That's where antenna restrictions have gotten even tighter than before and it's happening with the government blessings. In fact, the rules are so stringent that it could force some hams off the air.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reports:

The Belgian national amateur radio society's website has posted an update on the restrictive antenna requirements recently imposed by the Flemish Government. The registration seems to apply to antennas that operate between 10 MHz through 10 Gigahertz, the amount of time a ham is actually transmitting and the power output of his or her station.

Going by the latest information, it would appear that Flemish amateurs who transmit less than 175 hours a year at 20 watts Effective Radiated Power or less, are required to submit forms to the government for each antenna they have. Multi-band antennas require multiple submissions of forms.

For instance, a tri-band Yagi antenna for 20, 15 and 10 meters requires three separate submissions. And if any changes to an antenna is made, all of the paperwork must be resubmitted.

But wait. It gets worse. If transmission are made from an antenna for more than 175 hours a year or with an Effective Radiated Power greater than 20 watts then it appears the bureaucracy involved is even more complex. You can find out just how bad it is at tinyurl.com/NoticeForTxAntennas.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reporting from Jonesboro, Arkansas,

According to what we are hearing, the Belgian national amateur radio society's known as the UBA has been attempting to get these strict antenna rules modified, but to date with little to no success.

FAA MAY LOOK AGAIN AT BANNED RF DEVICES ON PLANES

And using your laptop, iPad or Kindle during a commercial U-S flight might become a reality in the not too distant future. This with word that the Federal Aviation Administration may be willing to take a second look at its policy on electronics usage aboard airplanes.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, reports:

While some airlines permit very limited use of wireless devices one an aircraft is at altitude, actual availability is quite limited. But according to a recent report credited to columnist Nick Bilton and the New York times, the FAA has decided to take a updated look at the use of personal electronics on planes.

The report continues by quoting FAA spokesperson Laura Brown. She told the press that with the advent of new and evolving electronic technology, and because the airlines have not conducted the testing necessary to approve the use of new devices, the FAA may be taking a fresh look at the use of personal electronic devices, other than cell phones, on aircraft.

Currently, airline passengers must turn off any electronic device that can transmit or receive a radio signal that cannot be disabled. While, the FAA indicates that it is open to testing new devices, it will more than likely be a long road before any substantive changes take place. This is because every airline giving thought to allow such operations would first have to test one of each version of a device on each of model of

every aircraft in its fleet.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU.

Whatever happens, the FAA has already been quoted
as saying that it will not budge on its policy of
not permitting use of mobile phones during a
flight. And don't even consider trying to use a
ham radio H-T on a commercial airliner. Even if
that one were lifted by the FAA the domestic U-S
airlines would likely keep a ban in place on the
use of ham gear and other two way radios on board
their flights.

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SOCIAL SCENE 2012

MAY 3-18 VK5 YL International 2012 Australia (vk5tmc@bigpond.com)

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

MAY 26 VK3 MDRC Hamfest Southern Community Centre, Mulgrave 10am

MAY 26 VK4 BARCFEST (a hamfest) Mt Gravatt Showgrounds 9am.

JUN 8-11 VK4 cancelled ! FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast CANCELLED!!!!!!!!!

JUN 9-10 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club field day Port Macquarie.

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on
wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and
Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a
range of fascinating and memorable activities.

FINAL FINAL

CALLBACKS AND CHECKINS TO VK1WIA NATIONAL NEWS AS AT MAY 10.

This WIA year(2 broadcasts to go) we will have our highest ever, 120,000 plus
and some 40,000 of those are RF checkins.

Week of May 5 RF in Cap Cities

vk1 = 27
vk2 = 58
vk3 = none supplied
vk4 = 16
vk5 = 95
vk6 = 85
vk7 = 33
vk8 = 32

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wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

722. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 11 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-11 11:05:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <0016368e2a6bfb7e4204bfc0b6dc@google.com>
Source record: 3089
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Three more Radio Hams venture to ISS next week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CPc8n3hv6Qg/three_more_radio_hams_head_to_iss_next_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL report that NASA will televise the launch and docking of the next mission, carrying three radio amateurs to the International Space Station (ISS), scheduled for May 14

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NZ4O Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ChtTK3QEsuQ/propagation_forecast_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O Condensed HF/6M (80-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-20 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday May 11, 2012

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Amateur Radio Club KB4SA partners with Boy Scouts of America, North Florida Council

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WRTH A-12 Shortwave Broadcast Schedules

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gOqtV9oHzqI/wrth_a12_shortwave_broadcast_schedules.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The WRTH Editorial team is pleased to announce that the Summer/'A' season broadcasting schedules file is now available to download, free of charge, from the WRTH website

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Senate approves two new FCC Commissioners

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/enf2UAm5loI/senate_approves_two_new_fcc_commissioners.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Six months after President Barack Obama nominated Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Varadaraj Pai to the Federal Communications Commission, the Senate confirmed their appointments on Monday, May 7

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Byl-4Xa79UY/may_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Mills on the Air weekend - GB0LSM

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kCDlNdRV9NU/mills_on_the_air_weekend_gb0lsm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Warrington Amateur Radio Club will be participating in the Mills on the Air weekend with the call sign GB0LSM (Lymm Slitting Mill)

723. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 11 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-11 16:17:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303ddb1a50356b04bfc5115f@google.com>
Source record: 3090
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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International museum day

Posted: 10 May 2012 07:53 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345716-International-museum-day&goto=newpost

18, 19 and 20 may.

I will operate in museum naval aviation in 10 metres.

The museum stay in Bahia Blanca, Argentina.

Callsigns: LU4DHA and LW6EGE.

If you make the QSO and you want confirm the special QSL card.

Please send with 2 irc to:

2261 mitre St.

Bahia Blanca , zip code 8000

Argentina.

73'S and DX.

LW6EGE

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Tucson/Vail American Cancer Society Relay for Life - K7R

Posted: 10 May 2012 07:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345632-Tucson-Vail-American-Cancer-Society-Relay-for-Life-K7R&goto=newpost

A special event station (running a K3 and a G5RV) will be operating May 18
- 19 at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Vail, AZ (Tucson
area). Here are the particulars:

Callsign: K7R

Event: Vail/Tucson American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Location: Empire High School, Vail AZ

Operating start time: Friday, 18 May, 2200Z

Operating end time: Saturday, 19 May, 1400Z

Frequencies (give or take): 3.860, 7.260, 14.260, 21.260

I'm also looking for other ops to join me at this event (so far I'm the only op). If you live in the Tucson area and would like to have some fun operating a special event station, get in touch! There's room for more rigs and antennas.

73,

Steve, AI7AZ

Vail, AZ

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KB4SA Inaugural Event on May 12th -- Join us on the Air

Posted: 10 May 2012 05:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345621-KB4SA-Inaugural-Event-on-May-12th-Join-us-on-the-Air&goto=newpost

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The inaugural event of KB4SA is scheduled for May 12, 2012 at Camp Echockotee, 2513 Doctors Lake Drive, Orange Park, FL 32073. The event will go from approx 9:00am until 5:00pm EST. Scouts will see local amateur operators in action and also communicate, via radio, with other amateur radio operators, local and around the world.

During future events, Scouts will earn merit badges related to radio, communications and science; receive a FCC Amateur Radio license; participate in local emergency communications drills; and provide communication support for community charity events such as bike-a-thons.

We will be using the standard scout frequencies as outlined at scouting.org. A list of frequencies can be found on the KB4SA.ORG website. In the event we are going to be using different frequencies it will be posted.

QSL Card information can be found here or on the KB4SA page on QRZ.COM

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On the Air 35 year Sea Shepherd Conservation Society call PD35SSCS

Posted: 09 May 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345545-On-the-Air-35-year-Sea-Shepherd-Conservation-Society-call-PD35SSCS&goto=newpost

Ham Radio Amateurs on the air for SSCS

On the Air 35 year Sea Shepherd Conservation Society call PD35SSCS

fase 1: 01-06-2012 > 28-06-2012

fase 2: 01-10-2012 > 28-10-2012

fase 3: 03-12-2012 > 31-12-2012

Sea Shepherd's Mission Statement

Established in 1977, Sea Shepherd Conservation Society (SSCS) is an international non-profit, marine wildlife conservation organization. Our mission is to end the destruction of habitat and slaughter of wildlife in the world's oceans in order to conserve and protect ecosystems and species.

Please sponsor I dont ask 2 dollar for a qsl card, please make a donation from 1 dollar

Operators PD2RKG Rene / PD4W Willem

A special free qsl card will be available for this event

So keep your ears peeled for PD35SSCS

And give us a huge pile upQSL MANAGER PD2RKG

QSL's send by buro on 26-02-2013

724. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 11 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-11 16:43:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Source record: 3091
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted: 11 May 2012 12:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345741-Amateur-Radio-Club-KB4SA-partners-with-Boy-Scouts-of-America-North-Florida-Council&goto=newpost

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Peter Duzant, K4PAD, founder of the KB4SA said, ☐Amateur radio is a rewarding hobby that allows Scouts to learn, not only about radio and electronics, but also that it goes hand-in-hand with duty to country and community.☐

Chuck Courson, Director at Camp Echockotee adds his support, ☐The starting of Amateur Radio Club, KB4SA, will allow us to be able to help scouts be better prepared to give back to their community in a very meaningful way. We are excited about the opportunities that this will provide for the scouts.☐

Sponsors for the Amateur Radio Club KB4SA include Clay County Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Journey Church.

More information about the Amateur Radio Club KB4SA and other events scheduled with the Boy Scouts of America can be found on the club web site

at http://www.kb4sa.org.

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Samuel f.b. Morse anniversary

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345598-Samuel-f-b-Morse-anniversary&goto=newpost

SAMUEL F.B. MORSE ANNIVERSARY

May 24 is the anniversary of Samuel F.B. Morse's first coded telegraph message.

The message was sent In 1844 between Baltimore, Maryland and Washington, DC ☐ a distance of 41 miles. While this may not seem very significant in these days of world-wide communications, it was the seed that grew in the minds of forward-thinkers that has eventually brought us to these days of seeing images from around the world being brought to us in mere seconds and, of course, seeing man's footprints on the moon.

Morse's middle initials (FB), by the way, are not the source of Ham Radio's "Fine Business." It actually stands for Finley Breeze, a strange middle-name set but certainly no more strange than some of today's name selections.

Also, it is not generally known but Morse was a very well-known artist in his time and many of his paintings are still on display in the Halls of Congress.

Reading Morse's development of the Telegraph, it is easy to see that he was an experimenter that did not give up. Mistakes were made at first but the end result, one of eventual and great success, has left us a historical figure that deserves honor and respect.

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NZ4O Daily Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted: 09 May 2012 08:16 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345504-NZ4O-Daily-Condensed-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast&goto=newpost

I have begun producing a "daily" HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast. It will

only be available on Facebook at

http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarC...39198369462931 and

http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/...o/spaceweather .

725. eHam.net News for Friday 11 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-11 22:38:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d2e5109b204bfca6501@google.com>
Source record: 3092
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Volunteers Play Large Role in Canoe Race:

Posted: 10 May 2012 05:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28271

Manchester area residents, led by Jim Mann, gathered May 5 to clean the River Raisin in preparation for the 46th Annual Canoe Race on May 20. Volunteers play a crucial role in the annual race. Radio operators from the Chelsea Ham Radio club have volunteered to act as spotters for the race. Boy Scout Troop 426 will be on hand to provide canoe rentals. Village businesses have joined together to provide sponsorship dollars to pay for the trophies for the 10-class competition. Village and township residents mow the launch and landing sites, provide race software and provide support where ever it is needed. While this annual race is a project of the Kiwanis Club of Manchester, it couldn't happen without the help of a lot of people.

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Network of Radio Operators Will Help in Catastrophe:

Posted: 10 May 2012 05:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28270

So what happens if all that fancy communications technology we depend on crashes when a major earthquake or some other catastrophe hits? Surrey's civic government, RCMP, firefighters and Emergency Health Services have that problem covered, with a cheap and relatively low-tech solution: amateur radio. It's called Surrey Emergency Program Amateur Radio, or SEPAR, a non-profit society manned by licensed amateur radio operators and other communications volunteers. This network of Ham radio enthusiasts will help authorities keep in touch with one another as they work to save lives in the event of a catastrophe, should telephone, computer and cellular phone services go down.

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ARNewsline Report 1813 -- May 11 2012:

Posted: 10 May 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28269

The following is a Q-S-T. High schoolers in California send a ham radio balloon to the edge of space; Israeli hams protest on-line against DXCC credit for the 7O6T operation from Yemen; W5KUB to again netcast live from the Dayton Hamvention and the latest on the Amateur Radio Direction Finding

Championship coming to San Diego. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1813 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #19:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28268

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28267

This Week in Radiosport:

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Dayton Hamvention: ARRL EXPO Offers Activities for the DIYer:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28266

When the ARRL EXPO comes to the Dayton Hamvention May 18-20, it will bring activities for almost every Amateur Radio activity under the Sun. From radiosport to card checking to scouting to the Youth Lounge, every radio amateur will definitely find something to suit his or her interests.

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FCC Seeks Higher Vanity Call Sign Fee:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28265

The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on May 4, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs. Currently, a vanity call sign costs $14.20 and is good for 10 years; the new fee, if the FCC plan goes through, will go up to $15 for 10 years, an increase of 80 cents.

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Senate Approves 2 New FCC Commissioners, Commission to be at Full Strength:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28264

Six months after President Barack Obama nominated Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Varadaraj Pai to the Federal Communications Commission, the Senate confirmed their appointments on Monday, May 7.

Rosenworcel, a Democrat, fills the seat vacated by Michael Copps who retired from the Commission earlier this year; her term runs through June 30, 2015. Pai, a Republican, replaces Meredith Attwell Baker, who left the FCC in June 2010; his term runs through June 30, 2016. Once Rosenworcel and Pai are sworn in, the FCC will be at its full complement of five Commissioners.

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End Of An Era: Heathkit Educational Systems Closes Up Shop:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28263

For the second time since 1992, Heathkit Educational Services has shuttered its doors. Rumors of the legendary kit-building company's demise were posted on QRZ.com, with several readers bringing the news to the attention of the ARRL.

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Three Hams Venture to ISS Next Week:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28262

NASA will televise the launch and docking of the next mission to the International Space Station (ISS), scheduled for May 14. NASA Flight Engineer Joseph Acaba, KE5DAR, and his two Russian crewmates, Soyuz Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS, are completing their training as they undergo Soyuz spacecraft fit.

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BSA to Offer Morse Code Interpreter Strip:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28261

For many years, Boy Scouts and Scouters have been able to earn an interpreter strip to wear on their uniforms. This strip -- worn on the uniform above the right pocket -- denotes proficiency in a foreign language or sign language.

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Coast Guard to Join Armed Forces Crossband Communications Test:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28260

The US Coast Guard will be joining the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines in the 2012 Armed Forces Crossband Test, scheduled for May 12. In addition to the Coast Guard station, five Army stations, three Air Force stations and six Navy/Marine Corps stations will be on the air to celebrate the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day.

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DXCC Desk Approves DXPeditions to Yemen and Somalia:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28259

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that the current 7O6T DXpedition to Yemen and the February 2012 6O3A DXpedition to Somalia have been approved for DXCC credit.

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W2T Tesla Memorial Event:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28258

This is an official announcement of Special Event Station W2T -- The Nikola Tesla Memorial Event scheduled for the weekend of January 11-13 of 2013 to mark the January 7th, 1943 passing of Nikola Tesla.

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NZ4O Condensed HF/6M RX Prop Fcst 2012-20:

Posted: 10 May 2012 01:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28253

The NZ4O Condensed HF/6M (80-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-20 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday May 11, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday May 12, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday May 18, 2012.

726. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 12 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-12 11:04:19 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf301d42c81e062a04bfd4d0e6@google.com>
Source record: 3093
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB2RWM Rayleigh Windmill

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZXM0gMS3z0c/gb2rwm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the South Essex Amateur Radio Society will be participating in the Windmills on the Air weekend by putting a station on the air this Sunday from Rayleigh Windmill in Rayleigh, Essex

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GB5SM Stock Windmill

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ceEpis1YzLY/gb5sm_stock_windmill.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For the 5th successive year the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be activating Stock Windmill for Mills On The Air Weekend, May 12-13

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Club, repeater and beacon insurance news

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RQNrXoSVYAc/rsgb_insurance.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As a result of the recent insurance review, the Radio Society of Great Britain has placed the insurance cover for Clubs, Repeaters, Beacons and Packet Nodes with NIG

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Up periscope!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/E_PtEw3udvg/up_periscope.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (KK5W) will be active during the Museum Ships Weekend from radio rooms of WWII Submarine USS Cavalla and Destroyer Escort USS Stewart from Seawolf Park on Pelican Island (NA-143) in Galveston, Texas

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Capacitive Touch Sensor Morse Key

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h-2cPre5Q9Q/capacitive_touch_sensor_morse_key.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An amateur radio Capacitive Touch Sensor based Morse key, developed by
Sebastian DL3SEH, recently featured on the Hack A Day website

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Shenzhen's first Maker Faire

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gwGfxHke3TM/shenzhens_first_maker_faire.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first Maker Faire to be held in China took place in April, classes
teaching soldering proved especially popular

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Chance of earth-directed flares

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZzJRYAW-Weg/chance_of_earth_directed_flares.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NOAA forecasters estimate a 75% chance of M-class solar flares and a 20%
chance of X-flares during the next few hours

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Ofcom release WRC-12 Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/egkd2iV_WsQ/ofcom_release_wrc12_report.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK communications regulator Ofcom have released their report on the ITU
World Radio Conference (WRC) 2012

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Summits on the Air activity growing in VK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f-kDColt0-0/summits_on_the_air_activity_growing_in_vk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

SOTA activity has continued to increase in April with new summits
activators, operators activating for the first time and more operators
joining the SOTA chase

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Dutch Windmills on the Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nQ3GxKV6ZMw/mills_on_the_air_pd6mill.ht

m?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This weekend, there will be at least 17 Windmills and 1 Waterpumping Station active in the Netherlands for the Mills on the Air event

727. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-025E - Special North East Ontario Regional DirectorsReport - 60 Metres is Gazetted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-12 11:30:11 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FAE4975.5060704@rac.ca>
Source record: 3094
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-025E - Special North East Ontario Regional Directors
Report - 60 Metres is Gazetted
2012-05-13

Finally after a two year wait from Industry Canada they have Gazetted
the request from Radio Amateurs of Canada for access to 60M

Here is the link to the gazette item:
http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2012/2012-05-12/html/notice-avis-eng.ht
ml#d108

This has been a long hard go and has taken a lot of time and effort on
the part of Radio Amateurs of Canada on behalf of all Canadian Amateurs.

I would encourage you all to submit a positive comment on this
proposal in the format required.

If you have any questions or concerns please email me at ve3xt@rac.ca.

Bill Unger,VE3XT
North/East Ontario Regional Director - Radio Amateurs of Canada

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

728. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 12 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-12 16:10:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf304271c2409ba104bfd91767@google.com>
Source record: 3095
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1813 May 11 2012

Posted: 10 May 2012 11:39 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345731-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1813--May-11-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1813 ☐ May 11 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1813 with a release date of May 11th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. High schoolers in California send a ham radio balloon to the edge of space; Israeli hams protest on-line against DXCC credit for the 7O6T operation from Yemen; W5KUB to again netcast live from the Dayton Hamvention and the latest on the Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championship coming to San Diego. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1813 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: ANACAPA HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON SOARS TO NEAR 112000 FEET

We☐re not sure if it☐s a new world altitude record for a ham radio equipped high altitude balloon, but members of the Anacapa Near Space Exploration Club at California☐s Anacapa School are celebrating the recent success of their second near space probe. One that reached an altitude of almost 112,000 feet. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the rest of the story:

729. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 12 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-12 16:32:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04479f8bf6c7a004bfd96699@google.com>
Source record: 3096
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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WWSA is in facebook now...

Posted: 12 May 2012 07:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345885-WWSA-is-in-facebook-now&goto=newpost

WWSA is in facebook now...

The WWSA CW Contest is now in facebook.

http://www.facebook.com/WwsaCwContest

Visit us and leave there your remarks and pictures.

Cordiales saludos

Best regards

Alberto U. Silva LU1DZ

WWSA Contest Manager

http://www.lu1dz.com.ar

http://gacw.no/ip.org

http://www.wwsatest.org

http://www.lu-escuelas.com.ar

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Annual Armed Forces Day Crossband Test Scheduled for May 12 (TODAY!)

Posted: 12 May 2012 03:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345871-Annual-Armed-Forces-Day-Crossband-Test-Schedul
ed-for-May-12-(TODAY!)&goto=newpost

From ARRL: http://www.arrl.org/news/annual-arme...led-for-may-12

In short: Military stations, such as Joint Base Andrews and The Pentagon
will be operating their HF MARS stations on the ham frequencies today. Some
unique calls that you may only catch one a year will be operating for short
windows of time. Check the frequencies here:
http://www.netcom.army.mil/MARS/docs/AMC_Test_2012.pdf

05/02/2012

The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual Military/Amateur Radio Crossband Communications Test in celebration of the 62nd anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD). Although the actual Armed Forces Day is celebrated on the third Saturday in May -- May 19 in 2012 -- the AFD Military/Amateur Crossband Communications Test will be conducted on May 12 to prevent conflict with the Dayton Hamvention®, scheduled for May 18-20.

The annual celebration features traditional military-to-amateur crossband communications SSB voice and Morse code tests. These tests give Amateur Radio operators and short wave listeners an opportunity to demonstrate their individual technical skills and to receive recognition from the appropriate military radio station for their proven expertise. QSL cards will be provided to those stations making contact with the military stations.

Military-to-amateur crossband operations will take place on the dates and time in UTC on the frequencies listed for each station. Voice contacts will include operations in single sideband voice (SSB). Some stations, depending on propagation and staffing, may not operate the entire period. Participating military stations will transmit on selected military MARS frequencies and listen for Amateur Radio stations in the amateur bands. The military station operator will announce the specific amateur band frequency being monitored. Duration of each voice contact should be limited to 1-2 minutes. The Secretary of Defense message will be transmitted via digital modes, including RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, PSK-31, MFSK and MT63 from certain stations.

Click here for the schedules and frequencies of participating military stations, including the stations that will be transmitting the message from the Secretary of Defense. Instructions on how to copy and submit the message are also included.

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Expedicion yw5yl mujeres al aire por el rcv el 18 19 y 20 de mayo

Posted: 11 May 2012 10:55 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345863-Expedicion-yw5yl-mujeres-al-aire-por-el-rcv-el-18-19-y-20-de-mayo&goto=newpost

SALUDOS COLEGAS EL RCV Y EL TEAM DE YLs EXTENDEMOS LA INVITACION A CONTACTARNOS EL PROXIMO 18,19 Y 20 DE MAYO DESDE ISLA LA PLAYITA, SOMOS 10 COLEGAS EN SU MAYORIA NOVICIAS DONDE DISFRUTAREMOS DE ESTA EXPERIENCIA DEL DXS Y EL COMPARTIR ENTRE COLEGAS MUJERES QUE AUNQUE NO SE CREA HAY MUCHAS EN LA RADIO!

ESPERAMOS ESCUCHARLES!

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730. SARL News in English 12/5/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-12 18:00:53 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <FA6E201E6C884D1C815D77E66F0D1118@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3097
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 13 MAY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 AND 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with a relay on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

To all mothers listening today, we wish you happy mother's day.

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY 16 JUNE 2012

ANACAPA HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON SOARS TO NEAR 112 000 FEET

RADIO MYANMAR INTERFERENCE ON 40 METERS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY 16 JUNE 2012

The South Africa Radio League has named 16 June as National Amateur Radio Day, celebrating Amateur Radio as a National Resource and its diversity as the most exciting of all scientific hobbies.

The objective is to take amateur radio to the public by exhibiting and doing live demonstrations of the various aspects that make amateur radio great and a fun thing to be part of. It is planned that the activity be run from 09:00 - 14:00.

Individual participation.

All radio amateurs should participate. Here are some ideas what you as an individual can do:

Operate from a park near you using trees as antenna supports and operate. A simple dipole or inverted V will get you on 20 and 40 metres. You may not talk to the world but you will communicate with

stations in Southern Africa. And if the band is open who knows who you will talk to. Get family members to help you distribute brochures about amateur radio and hand out buttons with an amateur radio slogan which are all available from the SARL.

Those who are stuck at home for what ever reason, you can still participate by getting on the air and talk to the demo stations.

Club Participation.

Set up a display at a busy shopping centre or large store like Incredible Connection, a Camping store or a large super market or in a park.

ON the AIR activities on National Amateur Radio Day will include the Youtday Sprint.

Supporting activities.

09:00 - 09:55 Young people talk about amateur radio. 10:00 - 12:00 Youth Day Sprint. 12:00 - 12:45 Senior Amateurs Remember.

Young people talk about amateur radio is a pre-recorded programme with young people talking about how they came into amateur radio and what it means to them. If you are under 25 send an email with your contact details to artoday@sarl.org.za to participate.

Youth Day Sprint. This is a fun activity to Celebrate Youth Day and to promote contacts between young radio amateurs in Southern African countries.

Call "CQ Youth Day". Lots of prizes to be won by participants.

Senior Amateurs Remember is a pre-recorded programme with senior amateurs sharing their experience and unusual events in Amateur Radio. Audio files will be available to clubs to broadcast on HF and VHF. To take part send your contact details to artoday@sarl.org.za.

More details about all the National Amateur Radio activities will be mailed to members and clubs during next week and will be available on www.sarl.org.za.

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5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1 - Go!!" That's the sound of a group of teenage near-space adventurers lofting a high altitude balloon that would soon soar above California's central coast and then eastward toward the state's central valley.

Called Anacapa Amateur High-Altitude Balloon 2, a student team from the Anacapa School launched two payload capsules tethered to a weather balloon on Saturday, May 5th. Equipped with GPS, atmospheric sensors, high-definition video and still cameras, a television transmitter and a Geiger counter, the payload downlinked live data, video and images during its ascent.

Anacapa Amateur High-Altitude Balloon 2 was designed and built entirely by students. A great project for youth day this year.

RADIO MYANMAR INTERFERENCE ON 40 METERS

The South African Radio League HAMNET reports that Radio Myanmar has been found to be broadcasting illegally on 7,110 MHz. The station is transmitting using full carrier AM from 15:30 UTC every day and is causing interference on the emergency communications frequency.

Steps are being taken to issue a formal objection but this takes time and the correct procedures need to be followed. Meantime, South Africa's Hamnet emergency communications response group has sent an official complaint directly to Radio Myanmar and requested that it move frequency.

MUSEUMS DAY

National Museums Day is held annually in May.

To recognise this event the Zululand Amateur Radio Club will be operating as ZS5ZLB from the Nongqayi Fort in Eshowe on Sunday, 20th May 2012. Every station worked will receive the special QSL card which includes a photograph of the Fort - which now houses the Museum. If you work ZS5ZLB on this special day please send them a QSL card and enclose a SASE. Look out for them - mainly on 40 m.

ZARC will be demonstrating amateur radio to visitors to the function.

RADIO AMATEUR EXAMINATION NUMBERS ON THE WEB

We wish the 168 candidates who have registered to write the Radio Amateur Examination on Thursday 24 May well for the examination on Thursday 24 May. Candidates can look up their examination number and venue where the examination will be written on the web. Visit www.amateurradio.org.za/RAE.htm or link from the news item on the SARL home page on www.sarl.org.za.

The exam starts at 19:00 and candidates have three hours to complete the two sections of the examination. Candidates should report to the examination centre by 18:30 and bring their ID book or other suitable identification.

LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD REGISTRATION If you are battling to register on LOTW or the snail mail option does not appeal to you, then Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, would like to assist you in registering.

All you need to do is send Geoff a scanned copy of your licence and some form of identification, e.g. front page of your ID book or drivers licence. You should be up and running within 4 days after sending in your information.

Please make use of this offer and send your information to hfmanager@sarl.org.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels but will increase as one of the largest sunspots in years, 1476, makes it way across the visible solar disk. There will continue to be a chance for a major solar event from this huge sunspot.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 69.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS Today 12th May - SA AMSAT space symposium; visit www.amsatsa.org.za for details and registration. 12/13 May- AWA Valve QSO party, 15:00 to 19:00 CAT. 13 May - Log sheets for ZS3 Sprint to to be in to ZS3 Sprint, PO Box 1049, Kathu, 8446 or by e-mail to zs3nc@qsl.net. 19 May - 14:00 PEARS AGM at the Italian Club, Charlo, Port Elizabeth with a boot sale prior to the AGM and a bring and braai afterwards. 20 May - National Museum Day: Zululand Radio Amateurs will broadcast from the Nongqayi Fort under callsign ZS5ZLB. 28 May - Logs for AWA Valve QSO party to be in to andyzs6ady@vodamail.co.za or AWA of Southern Africa, P O Box 12320; Benoryn 1504. 16 June - National Amateur Radio day between 09:00 and 16:00

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 570 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johan Marais, ZU1JM, and George, ZS6NE, and also edited by George.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

731. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 9 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-12 22:09:10 UTC
From: MM3 <mm3qro@yjahoo.com>
Message-ID: <jomn26tfc5@news.albasani.net>
Source record: 3098
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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> These frequencies are used by weak signal SSB/CW satellite
> transponders and even a few watts of FM can cause severe interference

And your problem is ... ?

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satellites were on 436-ish MHz first, that ATV should not be allowed
use 436-ish MHz.

If the same attitude was around today, the satellites should not be on
144.8--146.0 MHz

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732. eHam.net News for Saturday 12 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-12 22:38:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043f78d04204bfde82c6@google.com>
Source record: 3099
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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County Commissioners Hear Requests from EMA:

Posted: 11 May 2012 06:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28277

Clay County Commissioner President Charlie Brown was unable to attend the commissioners' monthly meeting Monday due to an injury. Brown was seeing an orthopedic specialist after fracturing his ankle. Vice President Paul Sinders acted as president during the meeting. The first issue on the agenda was a request by Clay County Community Corrections Executive Director Mary Brown to approve a Community Corrections grant, which begins July 1. The commissioners approved the request for the grant. Meanwhile, Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director Bryan Husband presented a request for Amateur Radio, a group of volunteer radio operators, to install an antenna on the tower in Center Point for communications in case of a disaster. Husband said the antenna would in no way conflict with the tower. Husband said the group plans to hire a contractor to install the antenna; however, the commissioners were concerned about the county's liability. The issue was tabled until the June meeting.

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Monster Sunspot Fires Off Powerful Solar Flares:

Posted: 11 May 2012 06:08 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28276

A huge sunspot that dwarfs the Earth is unleashing a series of powerful solar flares as it moves across the surface of the sun, NASA scientists say. Sunspot AR 1476 was detected by space telescopes on May 5. The huge sunspot is 60,000 miles (100,000 kilometers) across, so large that when it was first seen in views from NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory spacecraft, mission scientists dubbed it a "monster sunspot." Earlier this week, space weather scientists predicted the sunspot would erupt with powerful solar flares, and those predictions have since come true. So far, the sunspot has fired off several flares, including a strong solar storm early Thursday, May 10. "Solar activity has been at high levels for the past 24 hours with multiple M-class solar flares observed," stated an update Thursday from the Space Weather Prediction Center, a joint service of NOAA and the National Weather Service. Sunspot region AR 1476 was responsible for nearly all of the sun's storm activity, center officials said.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #19 de K7RA:

Posted: 11 May 2012 01:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28275

Average daily solar flux for the past week rose slightly, 116.2 to
119, but average daily sunspot numbers declined more than 14 points
(about 13 percent) to 92.6. Predicted solar flux for the near term is quite
a bit higher than
the average for the past week. Solar flux on May 11-18 is 130, and
then it drops sharply to 110 on May 19-22, 115 on May 23-25, 110 on
May 26, 105 on May 27-31, 110 on June 1-2, and 115 on June 3-10.

733. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 9 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-13 08:11:10 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <YBQO06Bey2rPFw9l@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 3100
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <jomn26tfc5@news.albasani.net>, MM3 <mm3qro@yjahoo.com>
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>many years ago, I recall an AMSAT-UK member claiming that because
>satellites were on 436-ish MHz first, that ATV should not be allowed
>use 436-ish MHz.
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In ye oldene dayse, long before amateur satellite transmissions (which
started, I believe, 1961) were ever thought of, and when 70cm was 420 to
440MHz, I'm not sure where they transmitted fastscan TV. It would have
been double sideband so, with 405-line signals, the vision signal
presumably occupied at least 5MHz - and more if the sound was carried at
vision plus (and maybe also minus) 3.5MHz.

However, after the band was chopped to 430MHz, it became increasingly
difficult to squeeze a full bandwidth DSB signal in the space 434 to
440MHz - especially when using 625-line signals. I believe that some
transmissions still did take place - albeit with curtailed resolution.
And then repeaters came along, encroaching yet further on the space
available for ATV. As a result, the ATV enthusiasts totally abandoned
70cm in favour of 23cm, so the question of interference with satellites
became academic.

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>144.8--146.0 MHz
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Bandplans are a reasonable form of self-regulation, and are devised for
the welfare of all. There is absolutely no reason why any

self-respecting radio amateur should want to transmit between 145.8 to 146MHz. To an 'FM operator' (which some might interpret as 'CB-style appliance operator'), the bottom end of 2m also probably seems pretty empty, as there doesn't seem to be a lot of CW activity these days. However, as long as even the wet-behind-the-ears FL licensees are aware of the bandplan, and know what sort of activity takes place, I can't really see the problem!

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734. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 13 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-13 11:08:21 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c9269e3dcf4404bfe8fc6f@google.com>
Source record: 3001
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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How a Tiny Satellite Could Find Another Earth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j0giEiqXphU/how_a_tiny_satellite_could_find_another_earth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Time Magazine carry a report on the work of radio amateur Sara Seager KB1WTW who is developing a CubeSat called ExoplanetSat, that will search for new planets

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Bill Pasternak WA6ITF Interview

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/I-xJTUr6_so/bill_pasternak_wa6itf_interview.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Terrell Brown K4TLB of the Guilford Amateur Society interviews Bill Pasternak WA6ITF of the Amateur Radio Newsline

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National Amateur Radio Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/npCbNPh1Geg/national_amateur_radio_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South Africa Radio League has named 16 June as National Amateur Radio Day, celebrating Amateur Radio as a National Resource and its diversity as the most exciting of all scientific hobbies

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RAYNET May 2012 Heritage Coast Walk

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1teDPb9by8c/raynet_may_2012_heritage_coast_walk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows East Suffolk RAYNET Communications Support volunteers using amateur radio APRS during the Heritage Coast Walk and Half Marathon

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TAPR Forum at Dayton Hamvention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lW39dTT5goE/tapr_forum_at_dayton_hamvention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

TAPR will feature several SDR projects which are gaining interest quickly
in the amateur radio community

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JPxKAkpGrR8/may_13.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate
levels but will increase as one of the largest sunspots in years, 1476,
makes it way across the visible solar disk

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Museums Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hd9prIH5U4A/museums_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

National Museums Day is held annually in May. To recognise this event the
Zululand Amateur Radio Club will be operating as ZS5ZLB from the Nongqayi
Fort in Eshowe on Sunday, 20th May 2012

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60 metres 'Gazetted' in Canada

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jbNU-9Khpms/60_metres_gazetted_in_canada.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Finally, after a two-year wait from Industry Canada, they have Gazetted the
request from Radio Amateurs of Canada for access to 60 metres

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Radio Club are on the airwaves for 65 years!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KagTH9G6q0Q/radio_club_are_on_the_airwaves_for_65years.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Ballymena Times reports on the Ballymena Amateur Radio Club formed 65
years ago

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Old QSL Card Collection

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XcvzR_ONT9s/old_qsl_card_collection.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 9900 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries

735. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 13 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-13 16:06:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04479f8b1babe704bfed272e@google.com>
Source record: 3002
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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B-17 Bomber "City of Savannah" Special Event Station WW2COS on May 19

Posted: 12 May 2012 05:25 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345947-B-17-Bomber-quot-City-of-Savannah-quot-Special-Event-Station-WW2COS-on-May-19&goto=newpost

The Coastal Amateur Radio Society in Savannah, GA will be operating special event station WW2COS from the radio compartment of the B-17 bomber "City of Savannah" to celebrate Armed Forces Day. We will be operating a combination of vintage and modern radio gear and will be streaming live video from the compartment. QSL information and link for video stream can be found at our QRZ.com entry for WW2COS. Video feed can be seen at k4gtm.blogspot.com.

We will scroll the current operating frequency across the video feed.

>Date: May 19

Time: 1000 til 1700 EST

Location: Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum in Pooler, GA

WW2COS QSL Card.jpg

Attached Images

WW2COS QSL Card.jpg
(95.8 KB)

736. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1062

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-13 18:08:11 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <331947.4994.qm@smtp114.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3003
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1062

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1062
BID: $OPDX.1062
May 14, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, W2VU, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, N6PSE, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, K9EL, W9ILY, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net,
EA5RM, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HA0HW, HP1AC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK7JWX, IZ2DPX, OK7MT, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, SM0DTK, UT7FP, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE2EBK, the VHF-DX-Portal and YO3JW for the following DX information.

** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (By KB8NW): There will not be an OPDX Bulletin next week and "possibly the week after". I will be attending the Dayton HamVention. "IF" I receive a major announcement, I will probably send out a special bulletin. However, PLEASE continue to send your DX information. You never know what I might do.... 73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th-May, through Sunday, 13th-May there were 222 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5X, 5Z, 6Y, 7O, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, P5, PA, PJ2, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4X, ISRAEL. Dutch operators Jaap/PA7DA and Luc/PA9LUC will be active as 4X/homecall between May 16-30th. Activity will be mainly on 10, 6 and 2 meters. The WW-LOCs will be KM72nx and on May 22nd, KM71jw. Operations on the lower bands will be possible. QSL via the Dutch Bureau. For updates, check the Blog page: http://dutch-4x-team.blogspot.com

5X, UGANDA (Update). Freddy, F5IRO/J28RO, who is here on a work assignment through June, has applied for the callsign 5X5RO, with the help of David, 5X1D (KH9AE), and is now active. Freddy states, "The station is quite ready to be set up; just some work on the vertical antenna to finish it." His station is a Elecraft K3 using verticals or dipoles. Activity will be on CW on the upper HF bands, especially on 10 MHz in the evening (5X ?MT + 3) and possibly some PSK operations. Watch the DXClusters for spots. He was spotted on 30 and 15 meters this past week (21013 and 10131 kHz). QSL is via Michel, F8DFP, by the French Cureau or direct (w/SAE and IRC). For more updates and info, watch Freddy's Blog page at: http://j28ro.blogspot.com

6O, SOMALIA. A team of Italian operators, active as 6O0CW from Galkayo will go QRT on May 18th. As of 2035z, May 12th, their log show that they have made a total of 33013 QSOs with 12808 unique callsigns (14135/SSB, 14824/CW and 4054/RTTY). QSL via I2YSB, direct or by the OQRS. For more details, visit their Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5
A forum for the 6O0CW operation is available at: http://www.hamradioweb.net

6O, SOMALIA (Update to OPDX.1059). Darko, J28AA/E70A, will once again be active as 6O3A from Hargeisa between May 25-31st. Activity will be on SSB, RTTY and 50 MHz. He also plans to be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via K2PF or E77E. For possible updates (under news), online log, and pictures, check out the Bosnia and Herzegovina Contest Club's Web page [BHCC] at: http://bhcc.ba
Also look on QRZ.com under 6O3A.

6O, SOMALIA (6O3A Press Release #2, dated May 12th). Paul Ewing/N6PSE, from "The Intrepid-DX Group", reports: "Due to the recent activation of Somalia by the 6O0CW group, the Intrepid-DX Group has decided to cancel our previously announced plans to conduct a DXpedition in November 2012, as 6O3A. We feel that the need for 6O contacts has been sufficiently diminished to make it worth-while to continue with our plans. In the coming days we will refund 100% of all donations made to us. We hope to make other rare activations for 2013. Our friend, Darko Rusman-E70A continues to hold the 6O3A license and will be active from time to time from Somaliland.... Thank you, Paul N6PSE, The Intrepid-DX Group"

7O6, YEMEN. The international team of operators active as 7O6T from Socotra Island (AF-028) will go QRT at 2100z, May 15th. New team members arrived on May 9th. They are Dave/K3LP, Jeff/K1ZM and Andrey/LZ2HM. On the same flight, operators Vlad/R7LV, Andrew/UA3AB, Paul/N6PSE and Harry/RA3AUU returned back home. It was mentioned that the team does NOT have 6 meter privileges, so all 50 MHz operations are the work of a PIRATE.

Also, on Sunday, May 13th, the 7O6T requests, "We would like to ask Europeans not to make 3rd or 4th QSO on RTTY just to fill another Club Log band/mode spot. Give a chance to others!"
The 7O6T log shows (per ClubLOG dated May 13th, at 0236z): 136373 Total QSOs and 33401 with Unique Calls. Mode breakdown: 71151/CW, 61541/SSB and 3708/RTTY. Continent breakdown: 960/AF, 0/ANT, 18249/AS, 87701/EU, 27144/NA, 1127/OC and 1192/SA.
QSL via UA3DX. More details about OQRS/Direct/Bureau/LoTW will be available during the course of DXpedition. The 7O6T Web page and Twitter page are available at: http://www.yemen2012.com/index.php https://twitter.com/#!/7o6t

BS7, SCARBOROUGH REEF (Disputed). BBC reports, "Several hundred protesters waved flags and placards at the Chinese embassy in Manila, calling for China to withdraw its ships from a South China Sea shoal..... The two countries have been locked in a stand-off in disputed waters at the Scarborough Shoal since 8th April." Read the whole article at: http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-18030805

CQ PRESS RELEASE (From Richard, W2VU). "CQ INTRODUCES FULL-COLOR 'DX WORLD GUIDE' IN PRINT AND ON CD -- (Hicksville, NY - May 8, 2012) -- CQ Communi-cations, Inc., today announced the publication of the third edition of the DX World Guide, by Franz Langner, DJ9ZB. This 384-page DXer's guidebook is the first edition using color throughout and the first to be entirely in English. The book includes entries for well over 300 DX 'entities'. Information includes geographical information about each country, WAZ and ITU zones, ITU callsign allocations and amateur prefixes. Each listing also includes a map and flag, plus information on the country's licensing agency and national amateur radio society. In addition, as appropriate, listings include call areas, IOTA (Islands on the Air) information and representative QSL cards. The DX World Guide, 3rd edition, will be available in both print and digital (CD) formats. It will retail for 42.95 USDs in print and 22.95 USDs on CD. A limited number of print editions are expected to be available from the CQ booth at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention® (Main arena, booths 74 & 75), with general availability after Memorial Day. Advance orders are being accepted via the CQ Online Bookstore < http://store.cq-amateur-radio.com/StoreFront.bok> or by phone at (800) 853-9797."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Al, VE1AWW, who has been active as CY0/VE1AWW as of April 17th, and will be there for about the next two months, reports on May 11th: "The 40-80-160 antenna is dead. I won't be replacing it anytime soon. I can work 30m (PSK 31) 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10m. I will soon have a 6m beam as well." Remember, his activity will be limited to his spare time as he is there to work. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

D2, ANGOLA. Craig, MM0SSG, is now active as D2SG from Luanda and will be there until around October 31st. Activity will be limited because he is there on a work assignment on an off-shore oil platform. Operations will only take place when he is on land. Reported QSNs show activity has been

on 10 meters CW. QSL via GM4FDM, direct or by the Bureau.

DAYTON HAMVENTION DX HOSPITALITY SUITE. The Northern Ohio DX Association (along with Janeen Hire, W8ZET) will once again sponsor a Hospitality Suite (16th year) at this year's Dayton Hamvention. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings (Look for signs!). All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.

DXCC NEWS (Card Checker and 160 Meters). Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports: "In order to facilitate retrieval of DXCC card checkers for the DXCC, WAS, VUCC and WAC programs besides the individual search feature on the DXCC web site, I have also posted a link to a file called DXCC Card Checker Master. This link will take you to the complete list of card checkers worldwide. In addition, an added purpose for this file is to help you locate a card checker near you that is authorized to check 160 Meters.
Remember, all checkers can now check deleted entities but certain restrictions still apply to 160 meters, as follows:
In the attached file you'll see entries that are in 'BOLD/RED'.
These checkers are authorized to check 160 Meter cards. As per the new rule only card checkers with an active 160 Meter DXCC award account are authorized to verify 160 Meters. If your card checker is not noted in 'bold/red' please do not take 160 Meter cards for them to check.
In addition to the 'bold/red' a notation of '160M' is noted next to their callsign in superscript which also notes this permission.

Please see this link which will take you to the master list:
http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-card-checker-master-1
The search feature to do a search by your state or country for your local card checker is still available, but at this time there is no note that indicates they are eligible to check 160 Meters:
http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-card-checker-search "

E4, PALESTINE. As your editor was preparing this week's bulletin, well-known world traveller Vladimir, UA4WHX, who was recently in Jordan as JY8VB, surprised everyone Sunday morning showing up as E40VB from Palestine on 12 meters. As always, his length of stay is unknown. QSL via his home callsign.

EUFF GREEN PARTY 2012 (Field Day Operations). The YOFF team of the SRR (Romanian Society of Radioamateurs) and the ARER (Romanian Association of Environmentalists Radioamateurs) invite all the radio amateurs to join them in the EUFF Green Party 2012. Purpose: To stimulate the ham operators to leave their house and be involved in portable/outdoor operations related to the nature and ecology, and to familiarize the world-wide radio amateurs with protected natural areas. Dates: 0600-1759z, June 9th. For complete details, see: http://wff-yo.blogspot.com

FS, FRENCH ST. MARTIN. John, K9EL, will once again be active from French St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, Grid Loc. FK88) between

June 8-24th. Activity will be holiday style (on a family vacation) and he will be operating as FS/K9EL whenever possible. He will be using an IC7000 and verticals for 80-10 meters, a 3 element yagi for 6 meters and will be operating on CW, SSB, and he plans to put an emphasis on RTTY this trip. He will also bring an amplifier with him to better his signal on 6 meters. John states, "Schedules are welcome and QSL to my home call. I will also attempt to do daily uploads to Club Log and LoTW. Part of the trip will include planning for 160 meter antennas as I plan to operate 160 in November as part of my planned CQWW CW participation."

IOTA DXPEDITION (Postponed!). Rick, K6VVA, has announced that his "IOTA DXpedition (NA-175, NA-050 and NA-004) has now been rescheduled for hopefully better propagation during 2013. The far Northern Latitude has additional propagation factor complications, so in considering the total Big Picture involved, a QRX was deemed necessary to maximize possibilities for all IOTA Chasers to make QSOs." His new target date is in July 2013. Stay tuned for more details on his "KL7 North Slope IOTA EXTRAVAGANZA!!", by watching the Web page at: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na172
Also, check TWITTER at: http://www.twitter.com/k6vva

IOTA DXPEDITIONS TOUR. Operators Peter OT9Z/ON8ZZ, Dominiek/ON3JA and Frederik/ON3NT will be active as MU/OT9Z from Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA 0013) between July 16-20th. During their stay on Guernsey, they plan to activate the following islands (all EU-114): July 17th - Herm Island; July 18th - Sark Island (WLOTA 0944) and July 19th - Alderney Island (WLOTA 0198). The group will then head south to France and be active as F/OT9Z from Chausey Island (EU-039, DIFM MA004, WLOTA 0424) between July 27-29th. They plan to be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) using the special callsign TM7T. QSL all operations via OT9Z.

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-008. Members of the Wessex Contest Group will be active as MS0WCB, MQ0WCB and possibly their own callsigns, from the Isle of Skye (IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA 1626, WAB NG47, WW Loc. IO67UQ) between now and May 19th. Operators mentioned are Steve/G0FUW, Simon/M0TTE, Dave/M0SFT and Dan/M0TGN. Activity will be on 80-15 meters SSB. QSL direct (see QRZ.com), eQSL or via M0WAY. More information is available at their Web site at: http://www.mx0wcb.com

EU-008. [Correction] Glyn, GW0ANA, will be operating as GM0ANA (not GW0ANA) during a "Micro DX-Pedition" from Gigha Island, Inner Hebrides, Scotland, between May 21-27th. Activity will be on SSB, RTTY, PSK and SSTV. QSL via GW0ANA, direct QTHR or by the Bureau.

EU-020. Tetsu, JH8SGR, will be active as SM1/JH8SGR from Gotland Island between June 11-13th. He will use 500 watts into wirebeam antennas. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-032. Members of the Beniteam DX Group will be on the air from Oleron Island using the special callsign TM12O (Tango Mike

Twelve Oscar) between May 18-20th. Operators mentioned are Javier/EA2DXR, Javier/EA2JB, Julio/EA2KK, Juan/EA2RC, YL Merche/EA2TT and Antonio/EA2VE. Activity will be on 80-10 meters with three stations using SSB and RTTY. They will be ready to work also on 6 meters if the band is open. QSL via EA2TT.

EU-039. (Update) Members of the Charente DX Group (CDXG) will be active as TM0CI from Chausey Island (DIFM MA 004) between May 19-25th. Operators mentioned are F5MNK, F5LOW, F6HKA and ON4ZD (OS0S). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They will have three stations on the air. QSL via F5EOT, by the Bureau and direct (Postage or Mail with Paypal). For updates, watch the CDXG Web page at: http://www.frag33.org/www.cdxg.org

EU-043. Operators Sten/SM6MIS, Rick/SM6U, Bengt/SM6UQL, Tomas/SM6XMY, Pierre/SB6A, Christer/SM6V and Janne/SM6YOF will be active as 7S6W from Vinga Island (WLOTA 1517, SMFF-3495, SWA-163) between May 17-20th. Activity will begin during the afternoon of May 17th, through their departure at 1200z on Sunday, May 20th. They plan to have 3 stations, each with 1 kW amplifiers, using mostly SSB, with some CW and RTTY. QSL via info on QRZ.com. For information and updates, visit: http://sm6.se/7s6w

EU-049. Fred, PA1FJ, is now active as SV8/PA1FJ/P from the Samos Island, Greece, until May 17th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-112. Members of the GMDX Group (Scotland's DX Association) plan to be active as GB5SI from Shiant Isles [House Island)(between Isles of Lewis and Skye on Scotland's NW Coast) between June 15-22nd. Operators mentioned are Jim/MM0BQI, Gordon/MM0GPZ, Doug/GM0ELP, Philip/GM0LIR, Iain/GM0OQV, Brian/GM0EGI, William/ GM4ZNC and possibly others. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via MM0BQI.

EU-120. Operators Kev/M0TNX and Martin/M3POG will once again be active as GB2HI from Hilbre Island between May 17-20th. Kev states that they are there to celebrate his 45th birthday (May 18th), and to give out QSOs for the Island to anyone who needs it. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. If 80 meters is possible, it will be a full size kite supported vertical over 1.2 km of radials! This year's Digital activity will take place thanks to Alan, M0AQC, who donated one of his super, low cost interfaces. QSL via M0OXO. They will upload the log to LoTW and E-QSL. For more details and updates, watch: http://www.gb2hi.co.uk
Also, watch a short video on QRZ.com of their operation last year.

EU-141. Operators Helmut/DL5DSM and Bernhard/DL9UBF will be active as LA/homecall from Vardo Island (WLOTA 0106) between May 15-23rd. They also plan a side trip to Hornoya Island (EU-141, WLOTA 2751) using the callsigns LA/homecall/p. Activity will be on the HF bands using all modes and 100 watts and GP antennas. QSL via their home callsigns, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-157. Operators Gil/F4FET Gil, Vincent/F4BKV, Eric/F4FJH and Diego/ F4HAU Di&#65533;go will be active as TM0CEZ from islands in the Bretagne Region IOTA Group sometime between June 24th and July 7th. The dates will depend on the weather conditions. Islands mentioned are Cezembre Island (DIFM MA008), Harbour Island (DIFM MA025) and Agot Island (DIFM MA009). They will have antennas for 20/17/15/10 meters. They request that you only make one QSO. NO MULTIPLE BAND QSOs because they will only be on for 12-22 hours. QSL via F5CWU. For more details, see the TM0CEZ Web site at: http://tm0cez.webs.com

NA-092. Dave, AC0QG, will once again be active as AC0QG/5 from South Padre Island (USI TX007S, Cameron County, TX) between June 18th and July 13th. Activity will be on the HF bands, on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, direct, LoTW or eQSL.

NA-128. Members of the "NA-128 Contest Group" will activate the special callsign VX2I from Ile Verte (CISA QC-015, Grid FN58, ARLHS CAN-244, WLOTA 1404) between July 26-29th. The group will be a Multi-Single entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th), and will have many stations on from the lighthouse keeper's quarters. Activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK63 before and after the contest. A station will be dedicated on 6m. The group will operate ONLY on SSB and CW, and on 80/40/20/15/10 meters DURING the contest. QSL via VE2CQ. For more details, see: http://www.qsl.net/na128cg

NA-144. Operators Jeff/W6UX, Rich/AE6RS, Steven/K6SGH, Kenan/KR6J, John/KQ6ES and Tim/N6GP will be active as W6UX/p from Anacapa Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via W6UX.

J48/SV8, GREECE (IOTA Op). Laci, HA0HW, will once again be active as J48HW and SV8/HA0HW from Thassos Island (IOTA: EU-174, GIOTA: NAS-037, MIA: MG-124, WLOTA: LH-4186, QRA: KN20HS) between May 24th and June 3rd. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB, RTTY and PSK31 as well, on the HF bands (mainly on 40/30/20/17 meters) and on 6 meters. He will enter the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power using the callsign J48HW. His rigs are a FT-840 with a MOS-FET amplifier (300-400 watts) and an IC-706 (for 6m only). Antennas are a monoband Gps and dipoles on fishing poles. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the HA Bureau.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 14-20th)....
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LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

P4, ARUBA. Operators Michal/OK7MT, Vit/OK5MM and Petr/OK2PP will be active as P4/homecall and P40H from Carl's, P49V, "Cook's Radio Retreat" <http://www.p49v.com>. on Aruba (SA-036) between May 17-31st. Activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th). QSL via OK7MT, by the Bureau or direct. Later they will post logs on LoTW too.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 13th)

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2Q0IJK via M0OXO ER52MOM via ER3BI RP67GS via RK9JYY
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4O/OK4ZW via OK1UZW GQ0RPM via G0RPM RP67LL via RA9LL
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AO4EU via EA3RKF HB0/IN3HUU via IN3HUU RP67ON via RZ3LC
AO5EU via EA3RKF HB100FLP via HB9OCR RP67TG via UA9APA
AO6EU via EA3RKF HS85RI via E21EIC RP67W via RK3QWW
AO7EU via EA3RKF JY8VB via UA4WHX RP67YM via UA3YAA
AO8EU via EA3RKF JY9ET via M0OXO SD7N/6 via DL2RNS
AX8NSB via M0URX LZ67VZ via LZ1ZF SN45CHBW via SP4OIP
BD7ANX via BA4EG MQ0CEF via DL2LFH SP/CT1CJJ via CT1CJJ
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CS5FAT via CT6ARL OV5T via M0TRN VP5/KE1B via KE1B
EF7NL via EA7NL P4/JA3DFM via JA3DFM W1B via NG1G
EG5TC via EA5GUQ PA/DK1YY via DK1YY W3STX/KH0 via JR3STX
EH6ITU via EA6AZ PD6MILL via PD7BZ W7F via AI4U
EM80L/A via US0LW PJ7AZ via DL2AAZ XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
EO67JP via UU4JXI R1945HS via RW6HS (d) YP15ARDF via YO7KFX
EO67J via UU2JT RP67FA via RK3FWI

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

NEW QSL MANAGER. As of May 9th, Buzz, NI5DX, is the new QSL Manager for Wayne, ZL2WL. Once the log file is transferred, Buzz will be able to confirm past contacts with ZL2WL, as well as any future QSOs. QSL cards will need to be printed, so please be patient and allow 6 weeks for the cards to be delivered. Wayne is very happy that his contacts will now

be able to be confirmed with a QSL card. He has not sent out cards since his wife, ZL2MAB, became a SK last November, as she handled the QSL duties.

PR2I (SA-024 and SA-071) QSL STATUS. Fred, IK7JWX, informs that there are many problems and he hopes to send all QSLs out soon. He is sorry for the delay.

SU9VB AND LoTW. Vladimir, UA4WHX, announced on May 9th: "Important! LoTW -- I have currently indefinitely totally discontinued uploading any newer latest QSOs until the system is slightly more manageable and more user logical and friendly." For QSLs, see QRZ.com under SU9VB.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7Q7PRO, EA3NE, GS3PYE/P, LU5FF, PJ4/OK7M, PZ5RA, TO3X, VA7PX, VK5BC/P, VP2V/NY6X and YJ0VK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8/SP2FUD, 3DA0NW, 4L0A, 9L0W, C6AKQ, C91NW, CE9VPM, DP0GVN, DP0GVN/A, E51BKV, E51M, EA9AI, FK/I2GPT, GR100MGY, HC2/W7SE, HL1IWD, LU1ZI, PJ2T, T88ZO, TO4M, TT8ES, V25AA, VK0TH, VP9/W6PH, XV1X, YN2NW, ZF2OE and ZK2C

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5R8FT, 8Q7ZZ, DT8A and VP8SDX

SILENT KEY. It is sad to report that Larry Gandy, AH8LG, became a Silent Key (SK) on May 8th. Tets, AH7C, reports, "He was one of the most active DXer and contester on the island. He also took care of very many DXers that were not only just visiting there but also going to other Pacific islands for DXpeditions. We lost a big star in the Pacific." OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to his wife Uti/KS6FO, and the family and friends of AH6LG.

SV5, DODECANESE. Operators Roberto/I2RNJ and Piero/IK2IHY will be active as SV5/homecall from Rhodes Island (EU-001) between August 4-11th. Activity will be holiday style but on SSB only. Bands of operations were not mentioned, but they will use an IC-706 w/100w into a Multi-band dipole. QSL via their home callsigns and by the Bureau.

TF, ICELAND. Operators Bill/W4TAA and Pete/VE3IKV will be active as TF/VX3T from the south coast of Iceland between June 17-30th. Activity will be 6 meters CW and SSB from Grid HP83SU (and possibly some other grids) with 100 watts into a 8 element yagi. They will be looking for SSSP propagation to JA in the mornings and for Es or AuEs to North America at other times. The VX3T special callsign and prefix commemorates the 100th anniversary of the world-famous Calgary Stampede. QSL via VE3IKV direct.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Operation Back On). The Cordell Expeditions is pleased to announce a DXpedition to Clipperton Island in early 2013. The team of 24 will sail from San Diego on February 19th (2013), and will be active from Clipperton for 10 days starting around March 1st. They will be active on all bands and all modes, and will use DXA, the satellite-linked system that displays near-real-time log data on any Web browser. They state, "We invite your participation in this project, as a team

member, supporter, or callsign in our log!" The Clipperton Island Web page is at: http://www.cordell.org/CI/index.html

V8, BRUNEI. Members of the Mediterraneo DX Club will sponsor/plan another DXpedition, this time to Brunei (OC-088). The multi-national team (90% of the team operated during the 9N7MD DXpedition) will be active as V84SMD between November 13-22nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to have 15 to 18 operators with 4 to 5 stations on the air 24 hours. Their equipment will be Icom 7000s and Elecraft K2s. Antennas will be 3 Spiderbeam (5 bands), 80m vertical full size, inverted L for 160m, vertical for 40m, vertical dipole for 30m and beverages for receiving. The operators mentioned are Henri/F1HRE, Michel/F5EOT, Jean-Luc/F6BIV, Gabriele/I2VGW, Pino/I8YGZ, Fabio/IK2LTR, Marco/IZ2GNQ, Antonio/IZ8CCW, Eric/ON7RN, UZ2HKC, Roslan/V85AVE, Nizam/V85AX, Mohammad/V85TX and Bimbo/YB3MM. QSL via IK2VUC, direct, by the Bureau or the OQRS. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW 4-5 months after the activity. A Web page is under construction and will be online soon at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Rich/KE1B and YL Anna/W6NN are now active as VP5/homecall from Providenciales (NA-002) unitl May 17th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be 6 meter operations if the band is open. They are running 100 watts to a Buddipole. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. All logs are uploaded to LoTW and eQSL.

XZ, MYANMAR (Update to OPDX.1037/1060). Simon, HS0ZIB/G6JFY, announced that he will be in Myanmar this Monday. Activity will be on SSB, and possibly PSK. Simon states, "My current transmissions are very sporadic because I am still commuting back and forth between Thailand and Myanmar. I understand that free accommodation is being arranged for me in Kawthaung (better be atop the big hill), and once I have an established QTH I'll be able to bring in more radio gear and build some better antennas. QSL cards are almost at the printer (meaning that Gennady has my initial image files, but I haven't yet given him the go-ahead to print)." For more details, updates, an online log search and QSL info, please visit his Web and Twitter pages at: http://www.xz1k.org
https://twitter.com/#!/xz1k

ZA, ALBANIA. Tevfik, TA1HZ, will once again be active as ZA1TC from Durres between August 1-7th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a Kenwood TS570D, FD-4 Multi-Band Windom antenna and 80m dipole. Operations also include an entry in the European HF Championship. During his spare time from the contest, he will may try to work some PSK31, especially on 30 meters. More details and QSL info are available on QRZ.com and the TCSWAT Web page.

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Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The examination may be held on that day at other centres where warranted by the number of candidates. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form. Please note over half the available places have already been allocated.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

SEARG kicked-off it's theory classes at the last meeting on Monday 30 April last. The meeting was well attended by those wishing to sit the theory exam. If anyone else would like to participate, please get in touch with Mark Wall on 087 630 2026 or by e-mail to markwall /at/ vodafone /dot/ ie.

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May. South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. The callsign is EI2GEO (pending approval). Activity will mainly be on HF. Anyone wishing to get involved should contact the club on info/ at/searg.com or phone Mark Wall on 087 630 2026 . For more information about the Geopark, visit www.coppercoastgeopark.com

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European Football Championship 2012 on the AIR

EFC 2012 is an on-the-air activity which promises to be a great deal of fun, organized by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs affiliated with PZK and UARL.

>From June 1st to July 5th 2012, there will be numerous special event stations active on the air. They will be operating concurrently with the 2012 European Football Championship, which this year is organized jointly by Poland and Ukraine.

More detailed information about our activity can be found on website http://efc2012.pzk.org.pl There are two awards which can be earned during this period, as well as many interesting QSL cards and prizes.

North Cork Radio Group

North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce another 1st time CASHOTA activity. This time we will be activating Barryscourt Castle, East Cork. Barryscourt Castle is the 16th century seat of the Barry family. The present castle, with its largely intact bawn wall and corner towers, is a fine example of an Irish tower house.

We are looking forward to operating from this site on Sunday, 20th May 2012 from 11am to 5pm approximately. As the castle is closed to the public until 24th May, this is a closed event but we look forward to working you on the day.

Logbook of the World

Logbook of the World (LoTW for short) is an online QSL system - an alternative to paper QSLs for award credits. ARRL, which runs the LoTW system, have announced that LoTW now has 50,000 users. These users include more than 100 EI radio amateurs. QSLs from LoTW can be used towards DXCC and other ARRL-sponsored awards. Recently it was announced that LoTW QSLs will shortly be valid for operating awards issued by CQ Communications.

A review of LoTW users shows that call signs from all but one of the 340 current DXCC entities have, at some stage or other, uploaded logs to LoTW - the one entity that has no participation in LoTW is Mount Athos. Most major DXpeditions upload their logs to LoTW, some immediately the DXpedition finishes and others after a delay of a few months. Experience has shown that contest stations have a particularly high participation in LoTW.

While paper QSL cards are still popular, anyone interested in maximising DXCC credits should consider using the Logbook of the World system.

Cork Radio Club

The Cork Radio Club will meet at the Community Centre in Carrigtwohill on Monday next May 14th at 8.00pm. A few more shack logging programmes will be looked at courtesy of Claus EI7JZ and the raffle will be held for the 2012 ARRL Handbook and Antenna Book.

Following on last years wins in the CW and SSB field days, participation in this years events will be discussed. Anyone interested in attending classes in the Autumn should contact any club member.

CASHOTA Activity Weekend 19th & 20th also 26th & 27th May 2012

This annual event is held over 2 weekends to allow individuals to activate or chase castles and stately homes, as well as other historical locations. It is open to any individual, group or club who wish to participate, with both activators and chasers being able to claim their award certificate. Irish castles will count towards the main UK CASHOTA award. The CASHOTA IRELAND AWARD is for working Irish castles in both EI and GI. Anyone intending to work a castle in EI should contact Steve EI5DD to obtain a designated number for the Castle. See requirements an details listed on other pages of this site.

Barryscourt Castle Activation 20th May 2012

Barryscourt castle, Co. Cork, will be activated by the North Cork Radio Group on Sunday the 20th of May by the North Cork Radio Group using the Callsign EI1NC/P from 11 am to 5 pm the Designator for this castle is EI017/C which is located in WAI Square W87. Full details about the CASHOTA-Ireland activities and awards may be found at http://cashota-ireland.org further enquiries may be directed to Steve EI5DD whose details may be found by clicking on the EI Co-ordinator button on the CASHOT-Ireland Website.

Limerick Radio Club

At last Wednesday's meeting of Limerick Radio Club, a presentation was made to Kris, EI9GAB. Kris attended the Region 4 theory classes and has been a very active club member. He will be moving to the USA shortly with his wife and children and we wish him the best of luck in the future.

Skerries Radio Club

Skerries radio Club EI2NCR will be using the call EI80IRTS for the Mills on the Air weekend on the 12th and 13th of May.

DX News

Vlad RK4FF will be active from Senegal in west Africa from 16 - 26 May. He will use the callsign 6V7S from the Le Calao rental shack which has become very popular with amateurs visiting Senegal. Look for Vlad on all bands 80 -10m on CW, SSB and RTTY.

A ten man group from Spain will be in Macao from 17 - 23 May. They will be QRV as XX9E and will be located on the island of Coloane which will count as AS-075 for the Islands on the Air Award. QSL manager is EB7DX.

DJ9RR will be on holiday in the Seychelles from 15 - 23 May. Look for the call S79RR on 40 - 10m on CW and RTTY.

VC2CBS30 is the unusual callsign is being used by the Sorel-Tracy Amateur Radio Club in Quebec, Canada until 30 May. This is in connection with their 30th anniversary celebrations. A special QSL card is available from the club.

Declan EI6FR will be part of a team activating St. Kilda EU-059 from May 16th to May 21st, callsign GM7WCO/P

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

738. eHam.net News for Sunday 13 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-13 22:32:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301d42c856d38a04bff28aac@google.com>
Source record: 3005
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Club On the Airwaves for 65 Years!

Posted: 12 May 2012 07:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28278

BALLYMENA Amateur Radio Club has been transmitting since 1947 and last week they were officially recognised by Ballymena Borough Council for their 65 years of service to the community. Last Wednesday night members of the club were invited to the Mayor's parlour to be presented with a plague for their achievement. Chairman Aubrey Kincaid gave a short speech to Mayor Hubert Nicholl explaining the club's history. The club was officially first started back in 1947, by local enthusiasts and ex-servicemen. However it's thought a club was broadcasting from as far back as 1929. An extract from the Ballymena Observer in 1949 by 'Ham' read: "Things are certainly looking up at the Ballymena Radio Club since they built their two new transmitter: Last week they made their first American contact, when they got in touch with a 'ham' in Minnesota." During their 65 years members have made contacts and with other 'hams' around the globe, and sometimes further. Members are often communicating with international enthusiasts, one former member, Graham Williamson, was even in regular contact with King Hussain of Jordan. On many occasions members have also used their radio equipment to contact the International Space station as it passes bye during its orbit. While it is a popular hobby, there is a serious side and one condition of the society is that they make themselves available for civil authorities in case of an emergency situation.

739. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 14 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-14 11:06:02 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed06466204bffd125e@google.com>
Source record: 3006
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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FDIM - Seminars to be streamed on internet

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-4SOlKj608g/fdim_seminars_to_be_streamed_on_internet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Four Days In May (FDIM) amateur radio QRP event takes place May 17-20
and the seminars on Thursday will be streamed live to a global audience

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D-Star for London 2012 Olympics

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/42R9Hcj7PIM/dstar_for_london_2012_olympics.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB7OK the London D-Star repeater server has been updated with Jonathan
Naylor, G4KLX's IrcDDB software and, thanks to G4TSN, we can access all
D-Star reflectors unlike old G2 software. We can now also access the Dplus,
XRF and DCS reflectors

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ARISS contact with Maani Ulujuk Ilinniarvik (MUI), Rankin Inlet, Nunavut,
Canada

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EaXQeDcELDU/ariss_event_1405.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) school contact
has been planned with participants at Maani Ulujuk Ilinniarvik (MUI),
Rankin Inlet, Nunavut, Canada on 14 May

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AtL2D5Mr9zQ/dxcc_report_1405.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
6th-May, through Sunday, 13th-May there were 222 countries active

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GB2TMI Mills On The Air video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3HniUvu2F6s/gb2tmi_mills_on_the_air_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Denby Dale Amateur Radio Society have released a video of their
operation at Thwaite Mill in Stourton, Leeds for Mills On The Air weekend

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CASHOTA Activity Weekends

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/E5JqEZk1M1Y/cashota_activity_weekends.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This annual event is held over 2 weekends - the 19th and 20th and also the
26th and 27th May 2012 - to allow individuals to activate or chase castles
and stately homes, as well as other historical locations

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DdH-tTMcQUo/may_14.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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W5KUB live webcast from the Dayton Hamvention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PWBylaYEa98/hamvention_broadcast_1405.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tom Medlin, W5KUB will once again be broadcasting a continuous live audio
and video stream from the world's largest and best-known Hamfest

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European Football Championship 2012 on the Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xRyVV9veyJ0/european_football_championship_2012_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

EFC 2012 is an on-the-air activity which promises to be a great deal of fun

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Bay Area Maker Faire May 19-20

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gfPaFR5PBs8/bay_area_maker_faire.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham Radio and the UK Raspberry Pi computer board will be among the
attractions at the Maker Faire in San Mateo, May 19-20

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gLygKxhmIMo/history_14_may.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

740. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 13th May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-14 12:00:16 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120514120003.8CD3C33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3007
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 13th May 2012

The news headlines:

* Special WAB award for Olympic Flame stations

* Volunteers wanted for RSGB Centenary Working Group

* DXCC approves Yemeni and Somali DXpeditions

The Worked All Britain Awards Group has organised special awards to coincide with the passage of the Olympic Flame around the country. Various clubs around the UK will be operating from locations along the route used by the Torch Bearers for that particular day. They will use the callsigns G4WAB and G7WAB. The main call will be G4WAB, the exceptions for this being Shetland and Orkney, Jersey and Guernsey, when both callsigns will be used on the same day. There will be Bronze, Silver and Gold versions of the award, depending on the number of stations worked. Full details of the cost, route and club stations are available on the WAB website, www.worked-all-britain.co.uk.

With the RSGB Centenary now just over 6 months away detailed planning of events to mark the occasion, as well as publicise our hobby to the public, is under way. Rob Harwood, G0HRT has been appointed to chair a Centenary Working Group to lead the work. He is looking for a few volunteers to join the Centenary Working Group to help plan and implement a number of events. The scope for the events is still under consideration, but it is likely to include a yearlong sequence of themed Special Event Stations, local events with clubs, and events to both publicise the hobby to our national and international partners as well as highlight the supporting role that Society plays. Rob is seeking a few volunteers from our membership who can think creatively, work mostly virtually, and have the necessary skills and self-motivation to drive the ideas forward to implementation. Please contact Rob along with a brief CV and interests to centenary@rsgb.org.uk.

The current 7O6T DXpedition to Yemen and the February 2012 6O3A DXpedition to Somalia have both been approved for DXCC credit. If you had cards that were recently rejected for the 6O3A operation, contact the ARRL DXCC Desk. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings. On 1 May, YT3PDT, become the 50,000th person to join Logbook of The World.

If you can't make it to the Dayton Hamvention next weekend but would like to know what is going on, Tom Medlin, W5KUB may be your answer. Since 2002 Tom has run a live web video stream of the event, traditionally starting with his 500 mile drive from Tennessee. The live broadcast starts at around 2pm BST on Wednesday 16 May at www.W5KUB.com.

The life of Tony Sale, who was best-known for his work in re-creating the Colossus computer at Bletchley Park, is to be commemorated by the creation of an award for the best computer restoration project. Overseen by the Computer Conservation Society (CCS) and backed by Google, the award will seek out those projects carried out in the same spirit that Tony Sale brought to his work, said David Hartley, chairman of the CCS. An article in the publication Computer Weekly notes that Tony Sale, who passed away in August 2011, was principal science officer at the Security Service MI5 and says he was also a radio ham, although it is not clear if he actually held a licence.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The RSGB will be represented at Dayton Hamvention on 18 to 20 May by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW and there will also be a RSGB book stall at the event.

The Dunstable Downs Radio Club Boot Sale takes place on Sunday 20 May at Stockwood Park, Dunstable. Entrance and car parking is £2 and the event opens at 9am. More information is at www.ddrcbootsale.org. Now for the news of special events

Botley Flour Mills near Southampton is one of the UK's oldest known milling sites, is listed in the Doomsday book and is believed to have been a mill site in pre Roman times. The Mill will be activated with the callsign GB0BFM for Mills on the Air weekend on 12 and 13 May from 10am to 4pm. Using 80m, 40m, 2m & 70cm, the station will be run by M0IED and G6FRT and other members of Itchen Valley Radio Club, with added assistance from Southampton University Wireless Society.

Today, 13 May, Shannon Basin Radio Club will operate from Elphin Windmill, Co. Roscommon as part of the Mills on the air weekend. The call will be EI2EWM and will be active on all bands, SSB and CW.

Also today, 13 May, Cray Valley Radio Society will be airing GB6MW from Meopham Windmill, Meopham Green, Kent DA13 0QA as part of the National Mills Weekend. The stations will be active on HF, 2 and 4m. Anyone in the area or planning to visit will be welcome to see the mill and meet some of the CVRS members.

Lincoln Short Wave club will be operating GB5DAM on 16 and 17 May to remember air crew of RAF Bomber Command who lost their lives during the raid by 617 Squadron, the Dambusters, on the great dams of the Ruhr Valley in the early morning of 17 May 1943.

GS5NB will be on the air from Ness Battery, Stromness, Orkney from 0800UTC on 19 May to 2000UTC on 21 May using the 80 through to 10m

bands, running SSB, CW RTTY and PSK. Run by Orkney Amateur Radio Club, it celebrates the official opening of this Scheduled Ancient Monument to the public after its restoration by Scapa Flow Landscape Partnership. There will be some activity during set up in the preceding week. QSL is direct only via GM0WED and LoTW. Full details on http://eu009.webplus.net, and qrz.com.

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on 26 and 27 May. South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. The callsign should be EI2GEO and activity will mainly be on HF.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Barry, 9V1FJ will be operating from a number of Caribbean countries in the coming weeks. From 12 to 14 May he will operate from Saba Island signing PJ5/G4MFW. He then plans to appear as FJ/G4MFW from St Barthelemy from 15 &#65533; 16 May. Next on the list is Cura&#65533;ao as PJ2/G4MFW and finally Bonaire as PJ4/G4MFW from 17 &#65533; 20 May.

A group of Japanese operators will be on the air from the Maldives until 16 May. Callsigns to look out for are 8Q7NK, 8Q7IC, 8Q7TE, 8Q7CJ and 8Q7ZS. Activity will be on all bands from 160 to 6m using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK.

A group of operators from the Charente DX Group will be active as TM0CI from the Chausey Islands (EU-039) on 19-25 May. QSL via F5EOT, direct or bureau, instructions are on qrz.com.

XX9E is the callsign for the 17-23 May DXpedition to Coloane Island (AS-075), Macau. A large team will be active on 6 to 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY with at least three stations. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW. Further information at www.adxg.org/xx9/

Now the contest news

The 70MHz CW Contest takes place from 0900 to 1200UTC today, 13 May. The exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode. The Worked All Britain LF phone contest takes place today, 13 May, from 1000 to 1400UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, via e-mail to ataebbooks@ntlworld.com.

On 15 May the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 16 May the data leg of the 80m Club Championships takes place from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The weekend of 19 and 20 sees overlapping VHF events. The 144MHz May Contest takes place for 24 hours, with the First 144MHz Backpackers overlapping the final three hours of it and that contest then continues

for another hour on its own. The exchange for the 144MHz contest is signal report, serial number locator and postcode, whilst the Backpackers exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 4th to Thursday the 10th of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 11th of May.

First this week the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers which are for August, September and October 2011 and are 59, 59.5 and 59.9 respectively.

On the 5th a large complex sunspot group rotated into view and with it solar activity increased to moderate levels with M class solar flares taking place every day. In total, 11 M class flares took place, along with dozens of C class solar flares. With these M class solar flares several sudden ionospheric disturbances occurred, which affect the daylight side of the Earth. Also, several coronal mass ejections occurred. Those that were directed towards us were small and weak. Solar flux levels increased from 114 units on the 4th to 131 by the 10th. The average was 121 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 10th was 113, that's one unit up on the previous week. That's the first rise so far this year. X-ray flux levels increased from B3.9 units on the 4th to B6.5 by the 10th. The average was B5.1 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet at first with an Ap index of only 4 units for the first 3 days of the period but by the 9th a coronal hole disturbance arrived and the Ap index increased to 25 units. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from a slow 290 kilometres per second on the 4th to a fast 670 by early on the 10th. Particle densities were low every day except for a brief increase to 22 particles per cubic centimetre on the 8th. Bz varied between minus 1 and plus 7 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus and plus 13 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. For most of week propagation reached predicted levels but the magnetic storm reduced MUFs by 5MHz or more, particularly over high latitude paths. Aurora associated with the disturbance during afternoon and evening of the 9th appears to have been confined to high latitudes - but a Canadian 6m beacon was heard in Scotland. Otherwise, sporadic- E reached 60MHz on several days with occasional openings on 70MHz, mainly to southern Europe.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be moderate most days with a slight chance that activity could increase to high with an X class flare taking place. Solar flux levels should increase and be around the 140 mark by midweek. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet most days but a solar flare related coronal mass ejection could increase activity at any time. A weak coronal hole disturbance could arrive right at the end of the period. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour are expected to be around 12MHz.

Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 23MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 18MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1500 hours UTC. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days with openings up to 50MHz and 70MHz on some days.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization, from 7pm on Monday 14 May. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday 18 May there is a club net is on GB3FR from 7.30pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in Mills on the Air on Sunday 13 May, operating GB5EM at Ellis Mill, and also taking part in the WAB LF Phone contest from the shack between 10 and 2. Tuesday sees them taking part in the 1.3GHz UK AC. On Wednesday 16 and Thursday 17 May Lincoln Short-Wave Club is operating GB5DAM in memory of the Dambusters raid in 1943. On Thursday evening they are taking part in the 80m CC Data and holding a simplex club net on 145.375MHz from 20.00. Finally, Saturday in the Shack starts at 9am on the 19th. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a field day planning meeting on Monday 14 May. Thursday the 17th sees training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and on Friday there's shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Wythall Radio Club continues its Intermediate course on Monday 14 May, then on Tuesday is having an interactive demo on Instant Morse by Steve White, G3ZVW. On Sunday 20 May it's the club trip to Dunstable Downs Rally. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 14 May Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding a construction and operating evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 14 May Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio satellites by AMSAT-UK committee member Ciaran,

M0XTD. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 15 May Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Glenn Miller wartime broadcasts with audio memories by Fred Tagg. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 15 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on `going loopy' by Art, G3KWY. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 15 May Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is on the air. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 16 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a review of the station at Cottage Farm and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 16 May South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 16 May Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a 2m walking DF hunt. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Wednesday 16 May Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m CC DATA contest. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Thursday 17 May Brigg & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk about the recent changes to the RSGB QSL bureau by Richard, G3UGF. Members and guests are most welcome. Contact James, M6JKC, on 0785 403 7708.

On Thursday 17 May Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is holding a texting versus Morse code challenge. More information from Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Thursday 17 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. Details are online at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 18 May Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a VHF and UHF radio workshop evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 18 May Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual construction contest. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 14 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 14 May Bolton Wireless Club is having an evening of radio DF hunting on foot with Ross, G6GVI. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 14 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Elecraft K2 transceiver by Mike, G0NEY. More information from Peter

Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 15 May Chester & District Radio Society is holding its annual dinner. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 15 May Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society has a committee meeting. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 15 May Stockport Radio Society is having a talk on logging programs by Peter, M1PTR. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 16 May Denby Dale Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 16 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Contest DATA from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Wednesday 16 May Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club is having a drink and waffle at Pollards, Willaston. Contact Simon, G6XHF, on 0151 601 3269.

On Thursday 17 May Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is working on the DCD/RBY Beverage project. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 17 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on amateur satellite communications by Peter, G0BHP. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 18 May East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a bring in something interesting evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 18 May Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Hexbeam antenna by 2E0KLO. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Sunday 20 May North Cheshire Radio Club is holding training classes at 7.30pm, followed by the AGM at 9pm. Contact Gordon, G3LEQ on 01565 652 652.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 15 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is holding a School Radio Day. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Tuesday 15 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse Code Practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 16 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a group meeting. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 16 May Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having a demonstration of contest and other software. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 17 May Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Wul, 2M0WUL, on Bernie The Bolt. Contact Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week.

Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is running a club net on GB3BF on Monday 14 May from 20:30, and another net on GB3BF from 20.30 on Thursday 17 May. On Saturday 19 May the club is participating in Castles on the Air weekend, and Sunday 20 May sees a club trip to the Dunstable Downs boot sale. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Tuesday 15 May on technology in eco-houses by Justin, G8YTZ. On Sunday 20 May its Intermediate course continues. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Windmills on the Air on Sunday 13 May, and on Wednesday 16 May is having a technical talk on computer logging by Terry, G0VFW. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and post event equipment on Friday 18 May, then on Sunday 20 May it's the club Aspidistra visit. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Sunday 13 May South Essex Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Mills on the Air as GB2RWM from Rayleigh Windmill. Contact Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Sunday 13 May Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2PW for Mills day at Polegate Windmill. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Sunday 13 May Surrey Radio Contact Club is operating GX3SRC/P at the Sutton model Engineering Club open day. Details from John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322. On Monday 14 May Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on WSPR by G3JKV. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 14 May Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by John, G3DQY on GB2PW, QSL cards and memorabilia. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 14 May Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a construction evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Monday 14 May West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a talk about GB3MH by the repeater keeper, Malcolm G3NZP. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 15 May Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 15 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 15 May Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on DX for the busy person by Alan, G4DJX. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday 16 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Ollie Tillett, G3TPJ on the C in electronics. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 16 May Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal meeting and taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship DATA leg. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday 17 May Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a general and committee meeting. Details from Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

On Thursday 17 May Colchester Radio Amateurs have a talk on pedestrian mobile by Peter, G8BLS. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 17 May Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is watching the T32C DXpedition DVD. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 17 May Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Chequers Inn, Rowhook. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 17 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral- g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 17 May Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 17 May Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m mobile fox hunt, the foxes being Ken, G4YRF and Ian, G3ORG. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 18 May Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on six metres by Peter Bacon, G3ZSS. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 19 May Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club commences its CASHOTA field weekend at the Fort. Contact Mick Ponsford, M0GWD, on 02392 366 699.

On Sunday 20 May Radio Society of Harrow is at Old Redding calling CQ GX3EFX/P. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on antenna design and construction on Monday 14 May, then a club net on 145.575MHz at 19:45 on Tuesday. Thursday 17 May sees the club 4m net on 70.425MHz at 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 14 May Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 14 May Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding Morse classes and having a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 16 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 16 May Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 17 May Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 17 May South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on kite antennas by Henryk, M0HTB. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 17 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night and preparing for the 144MHz Contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES On Tuesday 15 May Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

741. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 07 - 13 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-14 15:30:06 UTC
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Message-ID: <20120514153001.3793533C57@panix2.panix.com>
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
07 - 13 May 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to moderate levels. Region 1476 (N10, L=180, class/area=Fkc/1050 on 09 May) was responsible for almost all x-ray flare activity during the week. It produced a total of 55 C-class flares, 6 M-class flares, and 69 optical flares. Region 1476 began the week as an Fkc type group with a beta-gamma magnetic configuration. By the 8th, it had grown in extent (17 degrees), spot count (35), and complexity (beta-gamma-delta) and produced an M1/1F flare at 1308 UTC. It reached its maximum areal coverage of 1050 millionths on the 9th when it produced an M4/1n at 1232 UTC, an M1/1b at 1408 UTC, and another M4 at 2105 UTC. The maximum extent and spot count (20 degrees, 50 spots) followed on the 10th when Region 1476 produced the largest of the flares, an M5/2b at 0418 UTC. The flare was accompanied by a three minute 10cm burst (690 sfu) at 10/0417 UTC and a Type IV emission at 10/0402 UTC, followed by a weak earth-directed Coronal Mass Ejection (CME). Later that day, Region 1476 produced an M1 at 2026 UTC, the last M-class event of the week. The region then began a slow but steady decline in areal coverage, longitudinal extent and spot count, although it sustained its beta-gamma-delta magnetic configuration.

Earlier in the week, the only M-class event not produced by Region 1476 was an M1/1n flare observed from Region 1471 (S21, L=276, class/area=Eho/320 on 02 May) at 07/1431 UTC. This flare was also accompanied by a 10cm burst (230 sfu) at 10/1415 UTC and a Type IV emission at 07/1409 UTC. STEREO-Ahead imagery suggested an earth-directed CME. The following day, two more potentially earth-directed, weak CMEs were observed in STEREO-A COR2 imagery.

Region 1477 (S24, L=140, class/area Dso/150 on 09 May) was split to form new Region 1478 (S24, L=135, class/area=Hsx/090 on 10 May) on 10 May. Similarly, Region 1479 (N15, L=105, class/area Dso/130 on 12 May) was split to form new Region 1482 (N14, L=100, class/area=Dso/080 on 13 May). Both of these divisions resulted from

careful analysis of magnetogram data. After the split, Region 1477 became an Hsx type group with L=144, and Region 1479 became an Hxs type group near L=109.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels on the 10th through the 13th, and at moderate levels for the remainder.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to active conditions with minor to major storm periods observed at high latitudes. The week began with quiet conditions on 7th and the majority of the 8th. Around 08/0400 UTC, a solar sector boundary crossing from positive to negative was observed at the ACE spacecraft. By midday, the solar wind speed at ACE began to rise, marking the arrival of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH-HSS). Significant southward Bz began around 1730 UTC and reached a minimum of -13 nT late on the 8th before beginning a gradual return to neutral conditions late on the 10th. The geomagnetic field responded with active conditions from the last synoptic period on the 8th through the 9th. Minor to major storm levels were observed at high latitudes on the 9th. Activity subsided to mostly unsettled levels on the 10th, followed by mostly quiet conditions on the 11-12 May. The solar wind speed at ACE remained above 500 km/s until around 13/0000 UTC. Conditions were mostly unsettled on the 13th. Although there were a number of CMEs identified as potentially earth-directed, there was no definitive indication of CME arrival reflected in the ACE data suggesting the transient signatures were obliterated in the high speed stream.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
14 May - 09 June 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels throughout the period, with moderate activity most likely with the return of Old Region 1476 on 31 May.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal levels except on 14 May, 23-29 May, and 06-09 June. The high levels are expected in response to the presence of recurrent coronal hole high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to unsettled with occasional active periods. The unsettled to active periods are associated with the geoeffective periods of recurrent CH-HSSs on 14 May, 21-23 May, and 05-08 June. Unsettled to occasionally active conditions are also expected on 14 May with the anticipated arrival of a CME from 12 May.

742. eHam.net News for Monday 14 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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eHam.net News

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Behrend Engineers' Project Could Go Into Space:

Posted: 13 May 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28288

The trio speaks the language of supercapacitors and charges cycles, and they offer informed views on how circuit boards can shed excess heat. When David Jesberger, Kathleen Nicholas and Jacob Sherk graduated May 4 from Penn State Behrend, they left speaking the language of engineers. But they also left behind a finished senior project that could soon be headed into outer space. Senior engineering students at Behrend pitch ideas each year for projects they would like to tackle in their final year. Nicholas said she, Jesberger and Sherk all bid for a chance to be part of a project for the Radio Amateur Satellite Corp.

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World HF Backpack Ops Converge on Dayton:

Posted: 12 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28287

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743. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-026E - 60 metre Consultation Bulletin

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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RAC Bulletin 2012-026E - 60 metre Consultation Bulletin
2012-05-14

As of May 12th, Industry Canada has begun the consultation process to see final approval for the use of six channels on the 60 metre band. As part of the consultation, Industry Canada is seeking input on five items. RAC feels it is important for amateur radio operators to comment on this proposal and indicate their preference for the rules governing the frequencies going forward. The five items are explained below.

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Item Five: Should Industry Canada specify emission designators and peak power for this sixth channel? If so, what would those be?

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Those wishing to provide their comments to Industry Canada are asked to do so in the following ways:

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Comments on these items must be received prior to June 12th. All comments will be posted publicly on the Industry Canada website after the consultation process closes.

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We thank Industry Canada and all respondents for their continued work to see the completion of the process to obtain permanent authorization. If you require help sending comments to Industry Canada or have additional questions for RAC on this or any other regulatory matter, please email regulatory@rac.ca

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744. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 15 May 2012

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This is possibly the first amateur radio beacon to beam signals off the
Moon. It's aim is to encourage people to try and receive EME signals

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Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society Youth Activities

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IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders PA2LS reports on amateur
radio youth activities in Egypt

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Students project could go into space

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GoErie reports on the work of students from Penn State Behrend who
developed a super-capacitor based energy storage device to replace the
silver-zinc battery on ARISSat type satellites

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Vit-Nam Radio Hams to visit Spratly Islands ?

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Following a recent Malaysian DXpedition, radio amateurs in Viêt-Nam are discussing a possible DXpedition to Truong Sa in the Spratly Islands archipelago

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Chinese Space Station Transits the Sun

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A photographer in France has caught China's experimental space station, the Tiangong-1, passing directly in front of the sun

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St Kilda DXpedition EU-059

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GM7WCO/P will be active from the remote island group of St Kilda EU-059 on the far west coast of Scotland from the evening of Wednesday 16 May 2012

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Scam Warning

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The South Bristol Amateur Radio Club has recently received two very similar e-mails from overseas amateurs concerning a confidence trick perpetrated in the name of one of their members

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Farnsworth contact successful

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An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between youth at Farnsworth Aerospace PK-8 Magnet School in St. Paul, Minnesota and on-orbit astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT on Monday, May 7

745. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 15 May 2012

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AmateurLogic.TV 39: NAB 2012 Las Vegas

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AmateurLogic.TV Episode 39 is now available for download.

Recorded live at National Association of Broadcasters NAB Show 2012 in Las Vegas. Join co-hosts George Thomas, W5JDX and Randy Hall, K7AGE for a Vegas Vacation at NAB 2012.

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World's Largest Gathering of HF Backpack Operators Converges on Dayton

Posted: 13 May 2012 03:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346051-World-s-Largest-Gathering-of-HF-Backpack-Operators-Converges-on-Dayton&goto=newpost

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All kinds of HF backpack, portable, and mobile stations participate in this unique net on 18157.5 kHz USB. The /PM operators provide an awesome sight for hams, walking around the outdoor Dayton arena area, while operating with their tall HF whip antennas and fully equipped HF packs. Over the

years, many interesting mil manpacks and state-of-the-art HF backpacks have been shown off at the event, including everything from the tiniest QRP HF SSB HTs, to a full kilowatt HF backpack running on lithium ion batteries!

HFpack

2012 HFpack Eyeball QSO Rally

World's largest gathering of HF backpack operators

When: May 19 at 12:30pm to 1:45pm Saturday

Location: Dayton Hara Arena outside entrance (awning)

HFpack VHF Intercom HT Frequency: 144.300 FM Simplex PL151.4

HFpack Calling Frequency: 18157.5kHz USB

HFpack Portable Pedestrian Mobile Net

Huge Net of HF Portable Ops

When: May 19 around 1PM Saturday (1700 UTC)

Frequency: 18157.5 kHz USB

Location: Dayton Hamvention outside

Net Control: Mark KI0PF /PM

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More information:

http://hfpack.com

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AMSAT/TAPR Hamvention Banquet, Friday Evening, 5/18

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http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/hamve...12/Banquet.php

2012 AMSAT/TAPR Hamvention Banquet

The sixth annual joint AMSAT/TAPR Banquet will be held Friday evening, May 18, 2012 during the Dayton Hamvention.

The Banquet will be at the:

Kohler Presidental Banquet Center

4572 Presidential Way

Kettering, OH 45429

(just south of Dayton).

Reservations are required and must be made by Monday, 14 May 2012 . Seating is limited, so make your reservations early.

The price for the Banquet is $30 per person. Reserved tickets may be picked up at the AMSAT booth at Hamvention on Friday, or at the door.

You may make reservations for the 2012 AMSAT/TAPR Banquet online in the AMSAT Store.

AMSAT Presidents Club Gold members should let Martha know if they are planning to attend the banquet.

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For additional information contact Martha at the AMSAT office (martha@amsat.org).

Banquet Schedule

6:30 PM Doors open and Cash bar is available with Beer, Wine, Liquor and soft drinks.

7:15 PM Buffet Dinner service begins. The Center has a justly deserved reputation for good food and service.

8:15 Presentation by Howard Long, G6LVB, talking about his FUNcube Dongle, the 64 - 1700 MHz Software Defined Receiver.

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746. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 15 May 2012

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ON0EME 1296 MHz Moonbounce Beacon

This is possibly the first amateur radio beacon to beam signals off the Moon. It's aim is to encourage people to try and receive EME signals.

According to a report in 432 and Above EME News the idea started in Orebro, Sweden during the EME meeting in May 2011. After about 11 months of intensive work by ON7UN, HB9BBD and ON4BCB the beacon ON0EME started transmitting on 1296.000 MHz in the direction of the Moon.

ON0EME□s total EIRP is about half a megawatt. The antenna is a solid 3.7 m dish and it is active when the Moon is >10° at its location.

The system is completely automatic. The beacon starts when the moon is on the east side +10 degrees, by turning the antenna from the point where it stopped the last Moon pass (Moonset at +10°).

The frequency is GPS locked at 1296.000 MHz with an accuracy of 3 x 10-11. The timing is also GPS controlled. The beacon will start transmitting at the minute. The amplitude of the signal is constant within ± 0.2 dB. Antenna pointing is updated every 0.4°. There is complete remote monitoring and control of the beacon with indication of voltages, power and temperatures.

Reports have been received from some small stations receiving the beacon. Please post reports on "moon" or the "moon-net" reflectors.

The beacon is located in the north of Belgium and has good Moon visibility at both high and low declination for the complete Moon pass.

Users can check the operational status and beacon parameters at the ON0EME Status Page http://www.on0eme.org/

Moon-Net Email List

This is an e-mail reflector intended for discussion and announcements concerning amateur radio moonbounce communications. Subscription is free and open to anyone.

http://www.nlsa.com/nets/moon-net-help.html

Source: 432 and Above EME News May 2012

http://www.nitehawk.com/rasmit/eme12_04.txt

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Professor Know How's Lab

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?345935-Professor-Know-How-s-Lab&goto=newpost

Kids in Professor's Lab 2.0.jpg

My name is Jim Phillips. My bride and fellow ham Shelly, AB1CD, have something very important to share with the amateur radio community. First, we would like to invite you to watch a short cartoon video called □Professor Know-How□s Lab□. The video is an especially entertaining way to explore a great new program to get young people interested in the secret inner workings of science and technology. The link for the video can be found at: http://www.qrz.com/db/AB2CD

After taking a look at the video and the summary posted on my QRZ page, we would like you to consider adopting the cause and becoming the "Ultimate Elmer", a volunteer professor. Working with young people has been so much fun and rewarding for us. I am certain it can be equally rewarding for you as well. To date, 121 hams have expressed an interest in becoming an Adjunct Professor Know-How. We could sure use some more help. Please email jim@tlcfun.com to sign up.

Thank you and please help us spread the word. Jim & Shelly

Also, this is a great article about what it means to be an "amateur":
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amateur

Attached Images

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747. [DXNL] DXNL 1780 (May 16, 2012)

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4X, ISRAEL
Jaap,PA7DA, Loek,PA9LUC, mit XYL, Hans,PA0JBB, and SWL Aad van den Nieuwendijk are going to visit Israel from May 17-30. 4X/PA7DA and 4X/PA9LUC will be QRV on 10m, 6m and 2m from Nes Ammim (KM72nx) during the first week and from Rishon LeZion (KM71jw) in the second week. QSLs via homecalls. See also: http://pa7da.jouwweb.nl

5X, UGANDA (update)
Freddy,F5IRO (J28RO), received his callsign 5X5RO meanwhile and is working in CW (maybe also PSK) during his spare time until June 8. QSL via F8DFP.

6V, SENEGAL
Vlad,RK4FF, plans to show up as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m/40m/20m/15m/10m from May 16-28. QSL via RK4FF.

7X, ALGERIA
Members of the Djelfa Radio Club (7X2VFK) are activating the special event station 7U50ND from the 4th International HAM radio meeting in Djelfa from May 20-26 celebrating the 50th anniversary of Algerian independence and the 20th jubilee of their club.

9N, NEPAL
This year, about 20 Nepalis obtained an amateur radio license and a repeater has been installed in Kathmandu. So far the following callsigns have been issued:
9N1GJ OM Ganesh K. Gimi
9N1KK OM Pravin Joshi
9N1KS OM Khadga Sen Oli
9N1MM YL Kalpana Pokharel
9N1NS YL Nisha Shrestha
9N1NU YL Niva Upretee
9N1SP OM Sanjeev Pandey

9N1ss OM Surya N. Shrestha
9N1TN OM Tara B. Neupane

D2, ANGOLA
Craig,D2SG is working on an offshore oil rig until about May 2013
(according to other reports only until Oct 3, 2012) and can do his
radio hoppy only during his leisure time onshore near Luanda.
QSL via GM4FDM.

E4, PALESTINE
Vladimir,UA4WHX, who just went QRT as JY8VB has been spotted as E40VB
on 12m meanwhile. More details of the stay are not known as always.
QSL via home call.

FK, FRENCH NEW CALEDONIA, OC-032
Jacky,ZL3CW, is working as TX5CW from Noumea (OC-032) until May 29.
QSL via homecall.

HA, HUNGARY
Zoli,HA1ZH, is active in all modes and on all bands using the special
callsign until Dec 31 on the occasion of his 50th jubilee as a HAM.
QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.ha1zh.hu

HB9, SWITZERLAND
A group of HB9FCF will be active using the special call HB9MERK in CW
and SSB QRV from the "Mennonite European Regional Conference" in
Sumiswald near Bern from May 18-20. QSL via bureau to PA0HEL.
See also: http://homepage.bluewin.ch/hb9merk/index2.html

JA, JAPAN
The special event station 8N1TDU is active from the "Tokyo Denki
University New Campus" (Tokyo Senju Campus) until December 31.

The special event station 8J1ITU will be activated during the
"World Telecommunication and Information Society Day" until May 31.

The JARL club in Abashiri was renamed to Okhotsk which is marked on air
with the special callsign 8N8OKH until Jun 3.

The special callsign 8J0WAZA promotes the "National Skills Competition/
National Abilympics" competition 2012 in Nagano until Oct 31.
QSL cards to special event stations from JA are always ok via bureau.

ON, BELGIUM
A few members of the UBA section ODE will be active from the castle
De Ghellinck (BCA ref. OV-032, WCA ref. ON-00364, Loc JO10st) in the
Oost Vlaanderen province from May 18,1400 UTC, until May 20,1400 UTC.
Listen for OT7G/p in SSB and CW on all HF bands and in FM on 2m or
ATV via local repeaters. QSL via ON5MA.

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Michal,P4/OK7MT, Vit,P4/OK5MM, and Petr,P4/OK2PP, announced to be
active from Aruba (SA-036) from May 17-31. They will sign P40H in the

upcoming WPX CW Contest (May 26-27). QSLs via OK7MT, LoTW.

SP, POLAND
The special event station SN750K marks the 750th anniversary of the
city of Krzesnica. OPs will be Weronika,SQ1KSL, from May 18 until Jun 8
and Slawek,SQ1KSM, between June 9 and July 2. QSL via bureau.
See also: http://slawera.ovh.org

UT, UKRAINE
The special callsign EM100RU celebrates 100 years of amateur radio in
the Ukraine until May 31. They have issued also special awards.
QSL via UT1RT. See also: http://uarl.com.ua

VE, CANADA
Members of the Manotick Amateur Radio Group (VE3RIX) will be QRV from
the Fort Wellington National Historic Site (WCA SU-00215) in Prescott/
Ontario using the special call VX3W on May 19, 1400-2000 UTC.
They will choose their operating modes and bands depending on the
propagation conditions. QSL via VE3XGD, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.ve3rix.ca

VU, INDIA
Manju,VU2SMS, is active as AU50GOA 40m/20m/15m/10m from Goa until
May 31, which could be of interest not only for the WPX hunters.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

W, USA
In the last week of May, Connie,NR4CB, will start her 6000 mile trip
which will lead her through 23 US states, Washington DC, 2 Canadian
provinces and many counties until the second week of August. She is
working with a Kenwood TS480SAT and Opek HVT-400B antenna from 80m-6m.
See also: http://bionic-nerd.com
http://twitter.com/bionic_nerd
http://facebook.com/bionicnerd

XX9, MACAU, AS-075
The ADX Group members EA5BZ, EA5CEE, EA6DD, EB5BBM, F5VLY, EA1ACP,
EA5FX, EA7FTR and EB7DX plan to show up as XX9E with at least three
stations in CW, SSB and RTTY on 6-160m from Coloane Island (AS-075,
Loc OL62sc) from May 17-23. Following frequencies were announced:
CW: 1823, 3523, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24893, 28023 kHz
SSB: 1825, 3780, 7065/7160, 14145, 18145, 21295, 24945, 28495 kHz
RTTY: 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24921, 28080 kHz
6m: 50103 kHz (CW) and 50115 kHz (SSB)
QSL via EB7DX. See also: http://www.adxg.org/xx9

YV, VENEZUELA
A pure YL team (Mayka,YY5ALO, Carolina,YV4AW, Maria Celina,YY5MCO,
Naudys,YY5ANG, Suer,YY5EBV, Yanira,YY5SRR, Ingrid,YY5ILN, Lesmi,YY5LR,
Alejandra,YY5AA, and Laura,YY5OLA) will be QRV in SSB/CW/digital modes
signing YW5YL from Isla la Playita from May 18-20. QSL via YV5AJ.

SJ9WL/LG5LG, MOROKULIEN
Ron,DL6AUK, and Sven,DJ2AT, are going to visit the peace monument
"Morokulien" from May 22-31. Both calls, LG5LG and SJ9WL, will be used
changing daily in CW/SSB/digital modes on 160-6m (mainly on 40m/20m).
During the last two days they will work in QRP only on 80m/40m/30m/20m.
See also DJ2AT on QRZ.com and http://www.sj9wl-lg5lg.com

FOLLOW THE TORCH AWARD
The "Worked All Britain Awards Group" supports a special award on the
occasion of the Olympic torch relay through Greeat Britain. The torch
relay will take place from Lands End through the whole United Kingdom
to the Olympic Park in London between May 19 and July 27. The WAB calls
G4WAB and G7WAB are following the torch using the prefixes GX, GT, GN,
GH, GS, GP and GC. See also: http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk and
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-17358291

DX RUMOURS: The DXpedition to Clipperton Island indicated in the last DXNL
seems to take place actually. The date is scheduled for March 2013 and
a website has been set up as well: http://www.cordell.org/CI

DXCC FIELD CHECKERS: All Field Checkers may now check also QSL cards of
deleted DXCCs. The only restrictions left are for the 160m band.
See also: http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-card-checker-master-1

SILENT KEY: Lawrence A. Gandy,AH8LG, passed away on May 8 at the age of 80.
The president of the American Samoa Amateur Radio Association (ASARA)
was an active DXer and supported many DXpeditions to the South Pacific.
Xavier Paradel,EA3ALV, died on May 12. He was director of the Spanish
edition of "CQ Radio Amateur".
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost them, but grateful that we could
get to know them as a radio friend. We will always keep them in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

May 17 QRP Minimal Art Session
May 19/20 King of Spain Contest
May 19/20 Baltic Contest
May 21-25 AGCW DL Activity week
May 26-27 CQ World Wide WPX Contest, CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: The special event station EH8ITU is working
from Gran Canaria (Loc IL28FC) during the ITU day from May 17-20.
QSL via EA8ADL (bureau/direct).

EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: A mini DXpedition leads Glyn,GW0ANA, to
Gigha Island (IOSA NH24, SCOTIA CS23) where he will sign GM0ANA in SSB,
CW, RTTY, PSK and SSTV from May 21-27. QSL via GW0ANA (bureau/direct).

EU-009, GM/MM, Orkney: Andre,GM3VLB, is making a tour to the Orkney Islands
to activate the last five islands of the EU-009 group himself. Thus he
would have visited and activated all 200 islands. His trip will start
on May 21 and is scheduled to last until Jun 7 but an extension may be
possible. The five "last" islands are
Muckle Green Holm (IOSA OR32, SCOTIA OI20),
Linga Holm (IOSA OR31, SCOTIA OI21),
Eynhallow (IOSA OR24, SCOTIA OI24),
Faray (IOSA OR23, SCOTIA OI28) and
Calf of Eday (IOSA OR29, SCOTIA OI29)
The visit depends on the weather conditions since access to the island
is not always easy. He will sign GM3VLB/p and is on his own.
QSL only direct via homecall. See also: http://www.gm3vlb.com
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Members of the Orkney Amateur Radio Club will be active as GS5NB from
Ness Battery on Scapa Flow from May 19-21. They will work with two
stations in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m.
QSL only direct via GM0WED or via LoTW.
More information is available at: http://eu009.webplus.net

EU-017, I*9, Eolie Island: The Sicilian Radio Amateurs in the World (RASM)
members Carmelo,IT9TFX, Fabio,IT9AHI, Antonio,IT9YMM, Sergio,IW9FSG,
Max,IT9AKC, and Gino,IZ8MWG, will be active as ID9Z from Lipari
(IIA ME-001, MIA MI-053, WLOTA 1144) in all modes on all bands from
May 17-20. Direct QSLs via IT9TFX, bureau QSLs via ID9Z, LoTW upload.
More info at: http://www.radioamatorisicilianinelmondo.jimdo.com

EU-032, F, Poitou-Charentes Region group: EA2DXR, EA2JB, EA2KK, EA2RC, EA2TT
and EA2VE will be QRV as TM12O from Ile d'Oleron (DIFM AT-025, WLOTA
1369) from May 18-20. Listen for them in SSB and RTTY on 80m, 40m, 20m,
15m and 10m. QSL via EA2TT (bureau/direct).

EU-039, F, Chausey Islands: Members of the Charente DX Group (Laurent,F5MNK,
Eric,F5LOW, Bertrand,F6HKA, Leon,ON4ZD/OS0S) are going to activate
Chausey Island (DIFM MA004, WLOTA 0424, DPF 04, Loc IN89CU) as TM0CI
from May 19-25. Chausey is a group of small islands at the coast of
Normandy. QSL via F5EOT (bureau/direct). See also QRZ.com.
More details can be found at: http://www.frag33.org/www.cdxg.org/TM0CI

EU-043, SM6, Goteborg och Bohus/Halland County group: 7S6W is going to hit
the airwaves from Vinga Island (SWA-163, SMFF-3495) with three stations
mainly in SSB but also in CW/RTTY from May 17-20.
Bureau QSLs via SM6MIS, direct via SM6WET.
More information is available at: http://sm6.se/7s6w

EU-047, DL, Niedersachsen State group: Sebastian,DL1AXX/p, will show up from
the island Baltrum (GIA N-06) in CW/SSB on HF from May 20-25. His focus
will lie on 40m CW. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-059, GM/MM, St. Kilda: Allan,GM3OZB, Barry,GM3YEH, Bill,GM3ZRT,
John,GM0DJG, Gordon,MM0BIM, and Declan,EI6FR, are working from the
biggest island in the Hirta group from May 16-21. Listen for GM7WCO/p
in SSB, CW and RTTY on HF and 6m. QSL via GM7WCO.

EU-061, LA, Vest Agder to Ostfold County group: Ric,LA/DL2VFR, and
Norbert,LA/DL2RNS, are handing out a few IOTA points from Hvaler Island
in SSB and CW on the HF bands from May 16-20. QSLs via homecalls.

EU-120, G/M, English Coastal Islands: Kev,M0TNX, and Martin,M3POG, will
sign GB2HI from Hilbre Island on 80m-10m from May 17-20.
QSL via M0OXO (d) or via bureau.

EU-129, DL, Usedom Island: Peter,DL3APO/p, is working from Usedom (DLFF-075)
in CW, SSB and RTTY on HF from May 14-20. QSL via homecall.

Hans,DL2RU/p, is spending his holidays on Usedom from May 21-26. He
plans to visit also Goermitz Island (GIA O-15) for a few hours starting
on May 20 around 1200 UTC. His preferred frequencies are 7028, 10120,
14038, 18088 kHz. QSL via DL2RU (bureau/direct).

EU-146, PA, Zuid Holland/Zeeland Province group: Marcel,PD5MVH/p, is going
to hit the airwaves from the island Goerree Overflakkee (WLOTA 3501)
between May 19 and Jun 2. His preferred frequencies are 14245, 28555
and 144300 kHz (+/- QRM). QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

OC-199, VK6, Western Australia State (NW Coast) Centre group: Wally,VK6YS/p,
will show up from West Lewis Island mainly in SSB on on 40m-10m from
May 19-21. QSLs only direct or eQSL via homecall.

US Island FL-488: A group of local HAMs (including KD4MZM and K4FLV) of
the Sarasota-Venice Iceland Activation Group is taking a day trip to
Venetian Waterway Park (not IOTA, USi FL-488). They plan to work for
4-6 hours in SSB on 7250, 21350, 28450 and 14250-14260 kHz, in PSK31
on 14070 kHz and on the usual CW frequencies on May 19.
For QSL info see QRZ.com (KD4MZM and K4FLV).

Lighthouse activities

P4/OK2PP LH 0033 May 17-31
P4/OK5MM LH 0033 May 17-31
P4/OK7MT LH 0033 May 17-31
PJ2/G4MFW LH 0942 May 17-20
PJ4/G4MFW LH 1279 May 17-20

WFF activities

SPFF: SN0WFF is working from the Park area SPFF-018 on 80m, 40m, 30m, 20m
and 15m from May 17-20. QSL via SP5X (bureau/direct).

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Unknown 3B8MM 1777
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772/1777
17May-30May 4X/PA7DA.. 1780 *
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
21Mar- 5T0JL 1772
-08Jun 5X5RO 1778/1780 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
07May-18May 6O0CW 1779
16May-28May 6V7S 1780 *
Unknown 6V7SIX 1770
17May-20May 7S6W 1780 *
20May-26May 7U50ND 1780 *

-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31May 8J1ITU 1780 *
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-15Jul 8J3XVI 1779
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780 *
-03Jun 8N8OKH 1780 *
11May-16May 8Q7CJ.. 1779
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
Unknown 9H3XX 1777
-22May 9Q0HQ/7 1777
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-31May AU50GOA 1780 *
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Apr -Jun CY0/VE1AWW 1774
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780 *
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-Jan/13 DL125HHZ 1778
20May-25May DL2RU/p 1780 *
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
20May-25May DL1AXX/p 1780 *
-31Dec DL250COA 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763

Unknown E40VB 1780 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
17May-20May EH8ITU 1780 *

01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
-31May EM100RU 1780 *
01May-30Jun EM350S 1777
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
Unknown EV1150P 1779
12May-25May F/DJ2VO 1779
12May-25May F/DL1COP 1779
12May-25May F/DL1KD 1779
12May-25May F/DL3KBQ 1779
12May-25May F/DL3KMS 1779
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul FR8NE 1710
NOW FW/F1GHY 1771

-Jun G4BJC.. 1779
May /Jul GB1AVR 1779
17May-20May GB2HI 1780 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
-30May GB60VUL 1779
2012 GB80PW 1762
21May-27May GM0ANA 1780 *
21May-07Jun GM3VLB/p 1780 *
16May-21May GM7WCO/p 1780 *
05May-10Jun GQ3aaa.. 1778
05May-10Jun GQ4BJC/A.. 1779
19May-21May GS5NB 1780 *
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780 *
07May-09Jun HB100FLP 1778/1779
18May-20May HB9MERK 1780 *
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
15May-23May IA5/DL3NBI 1779
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
17May-20May ID9Z 1780 *
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763

-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
Unknown E40VB 1780 *
19May-27Jul G4WAB.. 1780 *
10May-17May J79KT.. 1779
11May-13May JA6VDB 1779
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY9ET 1779
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-May KH4/W5FJG 1728
16May-20May LA/DL2VFR 1780 *
16May-20May LA/DL2RNS 1780 *

15May-23May LA/DL5DSM 1779
15May-23May LA/DL9UBF 1779
22May-31May LG5LG.. 1780 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
12May-19May MS0WCB 1779
12May-19May MU/PA0VHA 1779
12May-19May MU/PA2A 1779
12May-19May MU/PA2AM 1779
12May-19May MU/PA3BAG 1779
-10Jun MQ0SMJ 1779

-15Aug NR4CB 1780 *
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
18May-20May OT7G/p 1780 *
07May-31May P40H.. 1780 *
06May-28May PC25HR 1779
19May-02Jun PD5MVH/p 1780 *
05May-18May PJ2/DH2AK.. 1778
09May-20May PJ7/G4MFW.. 1779
May R1945HS 1778
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
15May-23May S79RR 1779
11May-16May SD7N/6 1779
14May-16May SD7N/4 1779
14May-16May SD7V/4 1779
11May-16May SD7V/6 1779
17May-20May SN0WFF 1780 *
18May-02Jul SN750K 1780 *
15May-20May SV5/N5ER 1779

-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
19May-25May TM0CI 1780 *
18May-20May TM12O 1780 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755
-29May TX5CW 1780 *
11May-31May V31XB 1779
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
01May-30May VC2CBS30 1777

19May-21May VK6YS/p 1780 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
19May VX3W 1780 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
Unknown XW3DT 1766/1771
17May-23May XX9E 1780 *
18May-20May YW5YL 1780 *
05May-10Jun ZQ3M.. 1778
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

2Q0IJK via M0OXO (B/OQRS), (L)
3Z70RWP via SP5ZRW
4O/OK1IEC via OK1IEC (B), (L)
4O/OK4ZW via OK1UZW (B)
4X/PA7DA via PA7DA
4X/PA9LUC via PA9LUC
5X5RO via F8DFP (B)
6V7S via RK4FF
7S6W via SM6MIS (B), SM6WET (d)
8J0WAZA (B)
8J1ITU (B)
8N1TDU (B)
8N8OKH (B)
AO3EU via EA3RKF (EURAO QSL bureau), (L)
AO4EU via EA3RKF (EURAO QSL bureau), (L)
AO5EU via EA3RKF (EURAO QSL bureau), (L)
AO6EU via EA3RKF (EURAO QSL bureau), (L)
AO7EU via EA3RKF (EURAO QSL bureau), (L)
AO8EU via EA3RKF (EURAO QSL bureau), (L)
AU50GOA via VU2SMS (d)
AX8NSB via M0URX (B, also OQRS)
BD7ANX via BA4EG (B)
BW2/JP1RIW via BM2JCC
CS5FAT via CT6ARL (B)
D2SG via GM4FDM (B)
DL1AXX/p via DL1AXX (B)
DL2RU/p via DL2RU (B)
E40VB via UA4WHX (B)
EF7NL via EA7NL
EG5TC via EA5GUQ (B)
EH6ITU via (B), EA6AZ (d)
EH8ITU via EA8ADL (B)
EM100RU via UT1RT
EM80L/A via US0LW (B), (L)
EO67J via UU2JT (B)
EO67JP via UU4JXI

ER52MOM via ER3BI
G4WAB sends automatically
G7WAB sends automatically
GB2HI via M0OXO (d)
GC4WAB sends automatically
GC7WAB sends automatically
GH4WAB sends automatically
GH7WAB sends automatically
GM0ANA via GW0ANA (B)
GM3VLB/p via GM3VLB (d)
GB6MW via G4DFI (B)
GM7WCO/p via GM7WCO (B)
GN4WAB sends automatically
GN7WAB sends automatically
GP4WAB sends automatically
GP7WAB sends automatically
GS4WAB sends automatically
GS7WAB sends automatically
GT4WAB sends automatically
GT7WAB sends automatically
GQ0BNR via G0BNR (B), (L)
GQ0RPM via G0RPM (B)
GQ4GIR via G4GIR (B)
GS5NB via GM0WED (d)
GX4WAB sends automatically
GX7WAB sends automatically
HA50ZH via HA1ZH (B)
HB0/IN3ADW via IN3ADW (B)
HB0/IN3HUU via IN3HUU (B)
HB100FLP via HB9OCR (B)
HB9MERK via PA0HEL (d)
HS85RI via E21EIC (B)
ID9Z via (B), IT9TFX (d)
JY8VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
JY9ET via M0OXO (B/OQRS), (L)
LA/DL2VFR via DL2VFR (B)
LA/DL2RNS via DL2RNS (B)
LG5LG via LA4EKA (B)
LZ67VZ via LZ1ZF (B)
MQ0CEF via DL2LFH (B)
MQ0TRN via M0TRN (B), (L)
OH1ZAA/VP9 via OH1VR (d)
OT7G/p via ON5MA (B)
OV5T via M0TRN (B), (L)
P4/JA3DFM via JA3DFM
P4/OK2PP via OK7MT (B), (L)
P4/OK5MM via OK7MT (B), (L)
P4/OK7M via OK7MT (B), (L)
P40H via OK7MT (B), (L)
PA/DK1YY via DK1YY (B)

PD5MVH/p via PD5MVH (B)
PD6MILL via PD7BZ (B), (L), eQSL
PJ7AZ via DL2AAZ (B)
R1945HS via RW6HS (d)
RP67FA via RK3FWI
RP67GS via RK9JYY (B)
RP67KK via RX1CQ (d)
RP67LL via RA9LL (B)
RP67M via UA4LU (B)
RP67MB via R2DX (B)
RP67ON via RZ3LC
RP67TG via UA9APA
RP67W via RK3QWW (B)
RP67YM via UA3YAA (B)
SD7N/6 via DL2RNS (B)
SJ9WL via LA4EKA (B)
SN0WFF via SP5X (B)
SN45CHBW via SP4OIP
SN750K (B)
SP/CT1CJJ via CT1CJJ (B)
TK1A via IT9YVO
TM0CI via F5EOT (B)
TM12O via EA2TT (B)
TX5CW via ZL3CW (d)
VK6YS/p via VK6YS (d)
VP5/KE1B via KE1B (B), (L), eQSL
VX3W via VE3XGD (d)
W1B via NG1G (L)
W3STX/KH0 via JR3STX (B)
W7F via AI4U (B)
XX9E via EB7DX (d)
XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
YP15ARDF via YO7KFX (B)
YW5YL via YV5AJ (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: 9L0W, A65OO, A71BU, DV1UD, TC3HQ (TA3HM), YS3CW

QSLs arrived bureau: 9L5MS

QSLs arrived LoTW: AO1CTH, PJ2/AA9A, TA7OM (6m)

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748. eHam.net News for Tuesday 15 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-15 22:30:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406edc0a11c04c01ac0e0@google.com>
Source record: 3015
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Radio Club Members Connect to the World, Serve Local Community:

Posted: 14 May 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28291

LEWES -- Since 2004, the Lewes Amateur Radio Society has been embracing and promoting short-wave communication in the Lewes community and beyond. What was a five-member group of local amateur radio operators at its inception has expanded to 41. "It's a very diverse group and they're a hoot to be with," member Mike McClanahan said, adding that the members, while mostly retired, have been involved in numerous industries. McClanahan has had his license since the mid-1950s and is still amazed by it. Amateur radio operators are licensed by the federal government and are given codes to identify themselves: McClanahan's is W3RMM. "It's the awe of being able to converse with people around the world without picking up the phone or spending a lot of money," he said. "It's a neat hobby. It's just fun. it really is." LARS president Richard Drevo, who goes by W3GNQ, said he got his amateur radio license in 1956 and still goes to his radio to communicate with others on a regular basis. In fact, the group meets over the airwaves on a weekly basis when there's no in-person meeting scheduled. The in-person meetings are noon on the first Wednesday of the month at The Green Turtle Sports Bar and Grill in Five Points. Drevo said he regularly talks with people from western Europe and elsewhere. "A lot of people just like to get on the air and talk," he said. "I think it's quite amazing that ... we can talk around the world."

749. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 01:30:25 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <2a0ff86c-db92-449b-b023-64c7cb4a52b6@nw7g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3016

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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mobile ringtones free download
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750. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-027E - Booth change at Dayton.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 03:04:39 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FB318E9.5000606@rac.ca>
Source record: 3017
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-027E - Booth change at Dayton.
2012-05-15

Just a last minute bulletin for Canadian hams going to Dayton, we've
been moved to Booth number BA0436.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President - Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

751. The ARES E-Letter for May 16, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 05:41:49 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120516042451.22EF226C741@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> HURRICANE SEASON 2012

The forecast for hurricane season 2012, which begins next month, is a
bit more benign than past years, but that is no reason for complacency.
Prepare now!

EXTENDED RANGE FORECAST OF ATLANTIC SEASONAL HURRICANE ACTIVITY AND
LANDFALL STRIKE PROBABILITY FOR 2012
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"We anticipate that the 2012 Atlantic basin hurricane season will have reduced activity compared with the 1981-2010 climatology. The tropical Atlantic has anomalously cooled over the past several months, and it appears that the chances of an El Ni&#65533;o event this summer and fall are relatively high. We anticipate a below-average probability for major hurricanes making landfall along the United States coastline and in the Caribbean. However, coastal residents are reminded that it only takes one hurricane making landfall to make it an active season for them, and they need to prepare the same for every season, regardless of how much activity is predicted. (as of April 4, 2012)" -- Philip J. Klotzbach and William M. Gray, Department of Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523

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ARES and Hurricane Operations
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Now is the time for ARES® members to assess their portfolio of communications equipment and disaster response knowledge. Here are several tips for amateurs involved with hurricane operations:

- Monitor major HF hurricane networks during events this season. The Hurricane Watch Net (HWN <http://www.hwn.org/>) on 14.325 MHz is one of several key players. It serves either the Atlantic or Pacific during a watch or warning period and coordinates with the National Hurricane Center (NHC <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>) in Miami. Frequent, detailed information is issued on nets when storms pose a threat to the US mainland. In addition to hurricane spotting, local communicators may announce that residents have evacuated from low-lying flood areas. Other amateurs across the country can help by relaying information, keeping the net frequency clear and by listening. See the HWN's website <http://www.hwn.org/> for more information. The net works closely with WX4NHC <http://www.wx4nhc.com/>, the Amateur Radio station at the NHC.
- The SATERN Net <http://www.satern.org/> (Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network) provides emergency communication support to the Salvation Army and populations at large. They also handle health-and-welfare traffic. SATERN holds high profile nets on 20 meters (14.265 MHz) during major hurricanes and has a long history of excellence, discipline and service. Refer to the SATERN website <http://www.satern.org/> for more information.
- The Maritime Mobile Service Net (MMSN <http://www.mmsn.org/>) meets on 14.300 MHz and is composed of hams who serve and assist those in need of communications on the high seas. According to its website <http://www.mmsn.org/>, the primary purpose of the net is for handling traffic from maritime mobile stations. The network is recognized by the United States Coast Guard and has an excellent working relationship with that agency. The MMSN has handled hundreds of incidents involving vessels in distress and medical emergencies in remote locations, as well as passing health and welfare traffic in and out of affected areas. They also work closely with the NWS and NHC by relaying weather reports from maritime stations.
- The VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> operates by combining both the EchoLink and IRLP linked repeater networks, while handling critical wide area communications during major severe weather and tropical events. These operations have gained national stature in recent years and the net is a critical partner with WX4NHC. Whenever tropical weather is imposing a threat to the US mainland and certain other areas of interest, the VoIP WX net will be fully operational. See the VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Net website <http://www.voipwx.net/> for more information.

Florida Hurricane Net on D-STAR

The Florida Hurricane Net is a D-STAR net that meets each Monday night on D-STAR Reflector 034A at 2100 EST. The primary purpose of the Net is to provide training to ARES members in the three Florida ARRL Sections and hurricane emergency communications in the State of Florida for served agencies if a hurricane or other disaster is threatening or strikes Florida. Although this net is focused on training and support

for ARES members and their served agencies, any Amateur Radio emcomm operator or organization is welcome and encouraged to participate in the net. In addition to hurricanes, the net can and will be activated by any major emergency of state wide or regional significance where it would be necessary to provide communications for and to served agencies and/or the State Emergency Operations Center.

To participate in the net, repeaters and Dongle users should connect directly to REF034A. D-STAR stations using their local repeater should have their radio programmed for local use with CQCQCQ in the UR field and their local repeater's gateway in RPT2.

The net takes check-ins using the Quick Key Format to transmit your callsign. When your Section is called, key your radio or Dongle for one second only when the frequency is clear. Net Control will acknowledge all check-ins seen. -- Journal of the North East Florida D-STAR Repeater Network

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During hurricane events, there are usually two or three regional nets (usually on 40 or 20 meters) that spring to prominence as major key assets to the disaster response on an ad hoc basis. Watch for these nets, as well as the nationally recognized networks described above, this season. Don't transmit on their frequencies unless you are absolutely sure you have something substantive to add, and then only under the direction of the net control station.

ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U, adds that when ARES® activates in response to any tropical event, it is crucial that information flows up through the Section and is reported to Headquarters. "These reports allow us to develop the situational awareness and disaster intelligence that is required for us as an organization to support the Sections that are impacted," he explained. "In this way, we are able to respond to relevant requests from the media and finally to coordinate with the governmental and non-governmental organizations. This information also allows us to make the decision at Headquarters on whether to stand up the ARRL HQ Emergency Response Team to support and coordinate the operations."

==> HAMS ACTIVE IN DEXTER, MICHIGAN TORNADO

On Thursday, March 15, at around 5:15 pm, the village of Dexter, Michigan was struck by what the National Weather Service (NWS) has confirmed as an EF-3 tornado, with maximum wind speeds of 135-140 mph. The storm was on the ground for roughly half-an-hour, moving to the southeast before making a left turn. The NWS estimated the path as a little over seven miles long and roughly 800 yards wide. Though the storm caused considerable damage to structures and personal property, no one was seriously injured or killed.

Reports indicated that this welcome outcome was due primarily to Washtenaw County's system of warning sirens. Other reports give credit to the SKYWARN® network of spotters, trained by the NWS to recognize conditions leading up to severe weather, what it is and what can generate it. SKYWARN volunteers served to give the NWS forecasters the information they needed of what is actually happening in the field, information that they can't get from their instruments, the so-called "ground-truth." While meteorologists monitored conditions in the atmosphere above that lead to severe weather, the destruction occurs at ground level, literally "under-the-radar."

SKYWARN spotters reported conditions from the safety of their homes, but also ventured out in the field to provide information in the territory that normally wouldn't be covered. Information was transmitted back to not only the National Weather Service, but to county emergency service departments and county dispatch centers.

The hams of Washtenaw County, in the field during their SKYWAN net, were among the first to confirm the existence of a wall cloud; and confirm it was rotating and that a tornado was forming. For their efforts, they were pelted by debris and hail, and suffered damage to their vehicles, including a shattered window.

During "peacetime," the hams of Washtenaw County as well as other counties throughout the state, position themselves near the county's warning sirens during the monthly test, providing information on the sirens that are working and which need maintenance. - Pat Mullett, KC8RTW, Michigan Section Public Information Officer, kc8rtw@arrl.net

==> SANTA FE (NEW MEXICO) ARES SUPPORTS SAR MISSION

>From Wednesday, March 15, through Saturday, March 18, Santa Fe ARES (SFARES) participated in a search and rescue effort for a lost 51 year-old male. Seven SFARES members supported the mission in two teams from its SAR Communications Group. Unfortunately, the missing subject has not been found yet.

The SFARES SAR Communication Teams (KE5TFU and N4VIP for Thursday's activity and N5XDF and NM5AK for Saturday's effort) were requested to provide communications support for the mission on the Taos/Colfax county line, 28 miles East of Costilla, New Mexico on mostly back roads. On arrival at Incident Base, the operators noted that communications were going to be challenging due to the terrain. It was also cold: 19 degrees with a steady wind at Incident Base.

On Thursday, the Incident Commander assigned Kenneth Robinson, KE5TFU, to be positioned one half mile up the road from Incident Base, while Don Hinsman, N4VIP, would remain at Incident Base. The plan called for KE5TFU up the road to talk to the State Police Mission helicopter on VHF channel SAR1 and N4VIP would talk to the other teams on channel SAR3. KE5TFU and N4VIP would use channel SAR2 to communicate between themselves.

Prior to splitting the team and assigning them to the two locations, the Logistics Chief had requested the development of a Communications Plan (ICS 205) but there was never an opportunity to prepare it. Also, KE5TFU and N4VIP had determined that there were at least two amateur repeaters and two more Megalink <http://www.arrl-nm.org/wp/clubs/state-wide/mega-link> repeaters available for use, but the Incident Commander made it clear that he did not want the use of amateur repeaters due to the risk that news media personnel might be listening.

Prior to the departure of each search team, radio checks were conducted on SAR3. It was quickly noticed that once a team departed for their assignments, the terrain could block line-of-sight communications, so the Incident Commander requested that a radio check and position report be conducted with each team every 30 minutes. Position reports were made in the standard 2 group UTM (Universal Transverse Mercator coordinate) system. Each position report made to Incident Base was repeated back to the team to ensure 100% copy. The Operations Section Chief would then ask N4VIP to repeat the UTM coordinates to him and he would then plot the positions.

Regular communications between the Incident Base and the search teams started at 0900 and continued until 1900 with a steady tempo. Almost all communications were in the form of a radio check and a position report. When a team would report finding a shoe print or a shell casing or a cigarette stub, the exact UTM coordinates were passed to Incident Base. Incident Base would request more detailed information on the find.

A wavelength antenna was installed on a magmount on top of the truck used as the Command Post. The Planning Section Chief, Operations Section Chief and N4VIP fully occupied the tailgate. The Incident Commander was parked immediately behind the tailgate and would hover nearby looking at the map plots. The Operations Section Chief would plot the location of all routes followed by the teams and the location of all found items.

KE5TFU made all communications with the helicopter. Search area assignments were developed by the Operations Section Chief and passed from N4VIP to KE5TFU (on SAR2) and then on to the helicopter on SAR1. The helicopter crew used latitude/longitude instead of UTM so search assignments passed to the helicopter had to be passed in latitude/longitude, which required the Operations Section Chief to convert UTM coordinates.

For the Saturday effort, Charles Rogers, KJ5KU, with the Los Alamos ARES Group was at the Incident Base with the Los Alamos ARES communications trailer and had spent the night at Incident Base after working communications for the mission on Friday. The communications trailer was set up for both amateur 2-meter operations and SAR VHF operations with a J-pole antenna on a mast for each. The trailer also had two generators running: a very quiet Honda 2000i powering the lights and radios (and associated batteries); and a fairly loud Coleman

camp generator running an electric heater.

On Saturday, given the large number of search teams that would be participating, it was decided to organize the search into two Strike Teams with multiple sub teams under each. Strike Team 1 and its sub teams were assigned the SAR3 VHF frequency, and Strike Team 2 and its sub teams were assigned SAR2 VHF. SAR1 VHF was used for the Strike Team Leaders to communicate back to Incident Base and via the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) plane that was providing overhead relay support (referred to has High Bird or HB). In addition, Family Radio Service (FRS) channel 1 (no tone) was used within the Incident Base for a command network.

Alexander Kent, NM5AK, had brought three FRS radios and the Safety Officer also had several allowing an FRS radio individually for Comms, Incident Commander, Operations, Logistics, and Safety plus a backup. One Amateur Radio frequency and repeater were also used -- the Angel Fire repeater (147.34 MHz) -- to communicate with Hollis Atkinson, N5LEM, who was relaying coordination information from the outside world since there was no cellular phone service at Incident Base.

Throughout Saturday's operational period, Terence Morton, N5XDF, usually manned the SAR radio as communicator while NM5AK recorded all communications in the log and manned the FRS and amateur radios. It wasn't unusual for activity to occur on two or three (SAR, Amateur, FRS) radios at the same time. Approximately five pages of communication logs were filled during the period from 0900 to 1600. All logs, messages, and the communication plan were given to the Operations Chief at the end of the operational period.

After the missions, a debriefing of both teams with SFARES' Management Group resulted in a detailed description of the "Lessons Learned" and an accompanying set of recommendations on ways to improve. -- Don Hinsman, N4VIP, Santa Fe, New Mexico ARES EC; Santa Fe and San Miguel Counties DEC

[The New Mexico Emergency Services Council (NMESC) holds the FCC license for the Primary SAR frequency and new Secondary SAR frequencies, and it authorizes these VHF and UHF frequencies for current NMESC member teams to operate in New Mexico SAR (State Mission Number Issued) activities and training.

All traffic is carried out using plain English only. The only acceptable deviation from this rule is the condition or "death" message assigned when the mission is started. No use of these frequencies other than during a SAR Mission or a SAR training exercise is permitted.

The Primary SAR Frequency (155.160 MHz) is used by teams in the field for communication with Incident Base and other teams in the field. It is not used for intra-team communication while on a SAR mission. Teams are expected to use a SAR Secondary Frequency or their own FCC licensed team frequency for intra-team communications.

The Secondary SAR Frequencies 151.370 MHz and159.285 MHz are assigned for use by the Incident Commander as appropriate for the particular mission and circumstances. -- NMESC. See the New Mexico Search and Rescue Council's website <http://www.nmsarc.org/> for a good look at current SAR protocols and methodologies. -- ed.]

==> LETTERS: NIMS AND ICS TRAINING TAILORED TO AREA HAZARDS

There are different threat dynamics that impact different jurisdictions and geographic areas. For example, Pennsylvania may be affected by floods and mudslides, while California is affected more by earthquakes and wildfires. Organizations should use their jurisdictions' hazard/threat analyses to determine the types of incidents most likely to occur in their areas and tailor their NIMS/ICS training accordingly. Our community goal and objective is to train our personnel to NIMS typing and qualification standards based on these analyses.

Also, there is a drastic difference between a population of 2,993 town residents and nearly 13,684 county residents, from a city of 3,792,621 and a county population of 37,691,912 when it involves planning, training, certifying, exercising, qualifying, and credentialing personnel resources to a hazard/threat analysis. The population dynamic must also be taken into account. -- Michael J. Cyran, WD6ALM, Master Exercise Practitioner (MEP); Communitions Unit Leader (COML); Los Angeles, California

==> ILLINOIS STATE REP WV9C VISITS STATION AT ILLINOIS EMA FACILITY

Illinois State Representative Chuck Krezwick, WV9C (Orland Park, IL), the only amateur licensee in the state General Assembly, visited the RACES station (NC9IL) at the Illinois Emergency Management Agency facility at Springfield recently. The tour was set up by ARRL Illinois legislative liaison Charlie Richey, K9DUE. Also on the tour was Jim Pitchford, N9LQF, Emergency Coordinator, who had just returned from tornado-ravaged southern Illinois. -- Thanks, Ben Kiningham, K9IDQ, Petersburg, Illinois

==> ARES MUTUAL ASSISTANCE TEAM (ARESMAT) CONCEPT

The ARESMAT concept recognizes that a neighboring section's ARES resources can be quickly overwhelmed in a large-scale disaster. ARES members in the affected areas may be preoccupied with mitigation of their own personal situations and therefore not be able to respond in local ARES operations. Accordingly, communications support must come from ARES personnel outside the affected areas. This is when help may be requested from neighboring sections' ARESMAT teams.

To effect inter-sectional support mechanisms, each Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC) should consider adopting the following principles in their ARES planning:

- Pre-disaster planning with other sections in the Division, and adjoining sections outside the Division. Planning should be conducted through written memoranda, and in-person at conventions and

director-called cabinet meetings. An ARESMAT inter-sectional emergency response plan should be drafted.

- Development of a roster of ARESMAT members able, willing and trained to travel to neighboring sections to provide communication support inside the disaster area.

- Inter-sectional communication/coordination during and immediately following the onslaught of the disaster.

- Post-event evaluation and subsequent revision/updating of the inter-sectional emergency response plan.

When developing ARESMAT functions, ARES leadership should include the following basic action elements:

Pre-Departure Functions

Team leaders should provide ARESMAT members with notification of activation/assignment. Credentials should be provided for recognition by local authorities. They should provide a general and technical briefing on information drawn principally from the requesting authority, supplemented by reports from Amateur Radio, commercial radio, W1AW bulletins and ARRL officials. The briefing should include an overview of equipment and communication needs, ARESMAT leadership contacts and conditions in the disaster area.

The host SEC's invitation, transportation (including routes in disaster area) and accommodations considerations, and expected length of deployment should all also be reviewed with the team members.

In-Travel Functions

Before and while in travel to the affected areas, team leaders should review the situation's status with the team: job assignments, checklists, affected area profile, mission disaster relief plan, strengths and weaknesses of previous and current responses, maps, technical documents, contact lists, tactical operation procedures and response team requirements.

Arrival Functions

Upon arrival, team leaders should check with host ARES officials and obtain information about frequencies in use, current actions, available personnel, communication and computer equipment, and support facilities that could be used by the team to support the relief effort. The host's ARES plan in effect for the disaster should be obtained. A priority upon arrival should be the establishment of an initial intra-team communication network and an HF or VHF channel back to the home section for morale traffic.

Team leaders should meet with served agencies, Amateur Radio clubs' communications staff, local ARRL communications authority, and others as needed to obtain information and coordinate the use of frequencies.

Communication site selections should take into account team requirements and local constraints.

In-situ Functions

Team leaders should make an initial assessment of functioning communication facilities, and monitor host ARES officials' communications, and other response team relief efforts to coordinate operations and reduce duplication of effort. Team members should be monitored and their capabilities to perform their duties evaluated. Proper safety practices and procedures must be followed. A daily critique of communication effectiveness with served units and communication personnel should be conducted.

Pre-Demobilization and Demobilization Functions

An extraction procedure for ham communicators should be negotiated with served agencies and host ARES officials before it is needed. To get volunteers' commitment to travel and participate, they must be assured that there will be an end to their commitment. Open-ended commitments of volunteers are undesirable, partly because they make potential volunteers hesitate to become involved.Leaders must coordinate with the host ARES officials and served agencies, and other functions to determine when equipment and personnel are no longer needed. A demobilization plan should be in effect.

A team critique, begun on the trip home, should be conducted. Individual performance evaluations on team members should be prepared. Copies of critiques should be sent to both the home SEC and in-disaster SEC. Problems stemming from personality conflicts should be addressed and/or resolved outside of formal reports, as they only provide distractions to the reports. Equipment should be accounted for.

A post-event evaluation meeting should always be conducted, and a final report prepared so that an update to the inter-sectional ARESMAT plan can be made.

ARESMAT Member Qualifications

The individual filling the role of ARESMAT member must have high performance standards, qualifications, experience, and the ability to work with a diverse group of team members that will be required to provide relief to the affected areas. He or she must be able to work efficiently in a disaster relief operation under the most adverse conditions.

Additionally, a member should have demonstrated ability to be an effective team player, in crisis situations, a strong personal desire and strong interpersonal communication skills. A knowledge of how ARRL, Red Cross and other agencies function at both the national and local levels is helpful. A working knowledge of the incident command system is useful as many events are managed under this system.

Members should be respected and recognized by officials and peers as competent communicators and should understand a broad range of disaster response organizations' capabilities and communication requirements.

Important: Members must be available with the consent of their employer to participate! They should be physically fit to perform arduous work under adverse environmental conditions.

Summary

It should be noted that there is a fine balance of authority over a deployed ARESMAT. The in-disaster SEC (or delegated authority) should be able to make decisions as to use and deployment of an incoming team. Therefore, an incoming team should be prepared to submit themselves to such authority; this is evidenced by the fact that any team, internal or external, has only a limited view of the overall operation. The supervising authorities will have a better overview of the whole situation.

In turn, however, the in-disaster authority should be discouraged from abusing the resources of incoming teams. Should a team no longer be required, or a situation de-escalate, the team should be released at the earliest possible time, so that they may return home to their own lives.

The ARESMAT tool should be one of last resort. Whenever possible, amateurs from the affected section should be used for support. It is a lot to ask of a volunteer to travel far from home, family and job for extended periods of arduous and potentially dangerous work.

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

I particularly enjoyed including N4VIP's after-action report on a recent New Mexico SAR mission above in this issue. New Mexico has a longstanding reputation as a leader in the development and enhancement of SAR protocols and methodologies out of pure need: many subjects are lost in the vastness of many of the remote parts of the state, as well as more populated areas. It is noted that much of the participating ham operators communications were conducted on state VHF and UHF frequencies reserved for SAR missions, not on amateur frequencies. The message I took away from this is that ARES members can make themselves more valuable to served agencies if they are able to operate radios from other services, and know their different protocols, rules and regulations, guidelines and principles. Kudos to the New Mexico ARES community for their "extended range."

Fred Kleber, K9VV, has been appointed as Section Manager of the Virgin Islands Section beginning May 1, 2012. Kleber, of Christiansted, is taking the reins from John Ellis, NP2B, who is planning to move out of the Section soon. Ellis has been Section Manager of the Virgin Islands since 1996. Kleber has served as the Section Emergency Coordinator of the Virgin Islands this past year.

I traveled and visited with John Ellis, NP2B, on numerous occasions over the years, as he was and is one of the main emcomm go-to guys for not only the US Virgin Islands, but also for the entire Caribbean basin. His knowledge and contacts were invaluable to ARRL interests in emcomms in the region. John is also a good personal friend, with his enthusiasm and big smile always in evidence. Good luck in your future endeavors, John, and thanks for all you did for ARRL as Section Manager and otherwise.

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752. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 16 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 11:06:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5299be32ef85004c0254e02@google.com>
Source record: 3019
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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G6WRW and M0YHB activate in the USA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nno94Jgejaw/g6wrw_and_m0yhb_activate_in_the_usa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In December 2011, Helen Bennett M0YHB went on a work trip to Albuquerque and Carolyn Williamson G6WRW tagged along for a short holiday

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AmateurLogic.TV 39: NAB 2012 Las Vegas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FhxiGVDUAd0/amateur_logic_tv_39.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Recorded live at National Association of Broadcasters NAB Show 2012 in Las Vegas. Join co-hosts George Thomas, W5JDX and Randy Hall, K7AGE for a Vegas Vacation at NAB 2012

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Metro Newspaper - The next space age: Cuberty

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wlJuCC_FFek/the_next_space_age_cuberty.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The May 14, 2012 edition of the UK newspaper the Metro carried a story by Ben Gilliland about CubeSats

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Partial eclipse to mark end of Dayton

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YFdeNCnPN_c/partial_eclipse_to_mark_end_of_dayton.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The end of the Dayton Hamvention on May 20 will be marked by a partial eclipse of the Sun

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LUyVQ8JGwJc/may_16.htm?utm_source=feedb

urner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Follow The Torch award

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Byn6DpH9rDU/follow_the_torch_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 'Worked All Britain Awards Group' supports a special award on the occasion of the Olympic torch relay through Great Britain

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Tiny radio transmitter fitted to beetle

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VEiNYyTCBjQ/tiny_radio_transmitter_fitted_to_beetle.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dr. Erin McCullough used minature radio transmitters fitted to beetles to track their movements

753. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 16 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 16:29:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3baff1accd6704c029d3c3@google.com>
Source record: 3020
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Space Station project- ISS commorative coin- need some help re: donations

Posted: 16 May 2012 09:23 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346392-Space-Station-project-ISS-commorative-coin-need-some-help-re-donations&goto=newpost

Joe here N2GBT- were making a commemorative ceramic 46mm ISS coin for the Sept 2012 group project between the Daytona Beach Amateur Radio Assoc and Burns Science & Technology Charter School in Oak Hill Florida.

These coins are made by a company I own- Palm Gaming International/Palm Imports inc. We are one of the largest custom gaming chip manufacturers in the USA. These coins are 10.00 each and all proceeds go to purchasing needed equipment in order to meet NASA requirements for the uplink our club will provide to the space station.

The school is one of a select few who will have the opportunity to speak with the space station this September.

If you would like to donate 10.00 we will ship you a coin

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paypal is fine to: palmimports@aol.com

email me with any questions to: sales@palmimports.com

we could use your support

Thanks

Best 73

Joe N2GBT

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JT7WFF from Hovsgol National Park JTFF-006

Posted: 16 May 2012 08:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346384-JT7WFF-from-Hovsgol-National-Park-JTFF-006&goto=newpost

Hovsgol National Park JTFF-006

Irkutsk city hams RK0SA; RZ0SB; UA0SGY;

UA0SOX; UB0SBA will work from the National Park

Hovsgol (Khovsgul Nuur) in northern Mongolia from 18th till May 20th (including) 2012 year.

JTFF-006 this is WFF NEW ONE

Expedition's callsign is JT7WFF. QSL via RZ0SB.

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USS IOWA (BB-61) Special Amateur Radio Day May 18, 2012

Posted: 15 May 2012 01:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346305-USS-IOWA-(BB-61)-Special-Amateur-Radio-Day-May-18-2012&goto=newpost

Now Hear This!

Members of the University of California Berkeley Amateur Radio Club, The East Bay Amateur Radio Club, and the USS Hornet Amateur Radio Club will conduct a USS Iowa (BB-61) on the Air day from the Port of Richmond, CA on Friday, May 18, 2012 to commemorate the successful completion of the ship's maintenance period at Richmond and to say Bon Voyage as the Gray Ghost goes down the coast to Los Angeles where it will become an interactive museum at the Port of San Pedro, CA.

We will be operating station W6BB using the callsign of the UCBARC and looking for HF contacts. Look for us at frequencies 61 KHz from the bottom of the bands. The station will be on the air from 1200 PDT to 1930 PDT. For information, contact Ken at ko6no@comcast.net.

73 and Carry On!

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SPECIAL EVENT NET, Peace Officers Memorial Day, May 15th (15-20), Special Event Net!!

Posted: 15 May 2012 10:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346291-SPECIAL-EVENT-NET-Peace-Officers-Memorial-Day-May-15th-(15-20)-Special-Event-Net!!&goto=newpost

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week.

May 15--20, SPECIAL EVENT NET, REMEMBERING OUR FALLEN POLICE OFFICERS

40m - 7.207 MHz (or there about)

20m - 14.240 MHz (or there about)

17m - 18.137 MHz (or there about)

For your contact with your QSL card and SASE (#11)...a certificate is available....Check in and show your support for our law enforcement officers!

CALL SIGN (NCS) is KD5HLB, address good on QRZ

754. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 16 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 16:44:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ca353061304c02a074a@google.com>
Source record: 3021
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Ham Radio Deluxe v5.22 Released

Posted: 14 May 2012 07:41 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346239-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-v5-22-Released&goto=newpost

HRD Software, LLC announces the release of Ham Radio Deluxe 5.22. This is the 4th release of software since W4PC, WA9PIE and K0CBH acquired the rights in November of 2011.

Erik Gawtry KC0WWC and Rick Ruhl W4PC have been coding in tandem for the past few weeks and have created this version with more fixes and some new beta features which will be in version 6.x. Version 5.22 includes a significant number of fixes, many that go back several generations of the software. This version also offers a preliminary manual, which is on the web site ready for download.

Mike Carper, WA9PIE, said, ☐I☐m very excited about this release. Many of the functions that never worked before are working now. We had great participation by our group of beta-testers and we☐ve tested every function of the suite that we can. Many of the testers also report that it☐s faster, and I agree. Erik Gawtry (KC0WWC) has a lot to do with the code-level improvements. Erik has been a great asset to this process.☐

Rick Ruhl, W4PC, said, ☐Erik and I as well as the QA team and the beta sites have worked painstakingly for more than a thousand hours to ensure that the software works as intended. It has been a long process that has yielded the results that we were all originally looking for when this venture was started. ☐

Mike adds, ☐We made a conscious decision to delay feature development for v6.x until after the v5.22 release. We wanted all our development resources focused on the backlog of user requests and on making 5.22 the best version of HRD yet. Our users asked us for that.☐ Users who take advantage of the discounted pre-buy opportunity for v6.x will continue to receive direct support on the v5.22 product. According to Mike, ☐It☐s important to download and use 5.22, as this will be the last free version that is produced. 5.22 will also be the only free version that will continue to receive support.☐

Version 6.x will have many new features which will include FSK support, a new QSL and awards tracking interface, improved cluster filters, label printing, and the Super Sweeper in Digital Master. Super Sweeper will allow

multiple signals to be decoded in the window formerly referred to as ☐Superbrowser☐.

HRD Software now has someone new for QA and Tech Support, W1MNK, Jon Maguire, will be leading the phone and email support. Jon has many years of experience in support and is a power user of HRD. This is the first of many hams HRD hopes to have on staff.

HRD Software will be in Audio Alley booths 108-109-100 at the Dayton Hamvention. The company has also created a YouTube site where feature demonstrations will be published for this and other versions.

A discounted pre-buy of version 6.0 is being offered for $59.95. This includes technical support for v5.2. The retail version of HRD will be $79.95 when it☐s released after Dayton 2012. Those that have purchased or will purchase the 5.X support will still get one year of support from the date of the 6.0 release.

You can purchase and download the product at http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/HRDsoftware

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LightSquared Files Bankruptcy After Network Blocked

Posted: 14 May 2012 04:08 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346205-LightSquared-Files-Bankruptcy-After-Network-Blocked&goto=newpost

LightSquared Inc. filed for bankruptcy, saying it will seek to resolve the concerns of U.S. regulators who thwarted the company☐s plan to deliver high-speed wireless to as many as 260 million people.

. . .

Bankruptcy ☐is intended to give LightSquared sufficient breathing room to continue working through the regulatory process that will allow us to build our 4G wireless network,☐ Chief Financial Officer Marc Montagner said in a statement. Reaching agreements with U.S. agencies may take as long as two years, he said in court papers.

. . .

LightSquared hit a roadblock in February when the FCC said it would withdraw preliminary approval for the company☐s network after government tests found that the signals would interfere with global-positioning systems.

Full article:

http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-0...ankruptcy.html

-- Tom

AD7PM

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Ham Radio Now - Episode 11: FCC Forum @ Dayton 2011

Posted: 13 May 2012 08:00 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346098-Ham-Radio-Now-Episode-11-FCC-Forum-Dayton-2011&goto=newpost

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Episode 11: FCC Forum at the 2011 Dayton Hamvention

OK, we know this is last year's FCC forum, and we're just getting around to putting it

on-line. But it's still worth watching, especially as a warm-up to this year's Hamvention

forum, which we will get on-line quickly. Last year, Bill Cross W3TN reviewed and previewed

regulations, and Curt Bartholomew N3GQ talked about EmComm. And they answered your questions.

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755. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 18:05:07 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201205161804.q4Gl4nxN008978@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 3022
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/ WEEK 20 2012
2012-05-09 at 20:05 UTC

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-05-09
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** Sporadic E season 2012 **

The Sporadic E season 2012 has started. On May 8th at 13.08 UTC the first
ES QSO of 2012 was reported between YO3FOU (KN34) and IW1BCV (JN44).
The opening was short and hardly noticed as most will have been at work.
A bit later at 13:23 UTC another short opening starting with a QSO
between F5XU (JN15) and LZ3GM (KN32).

For the statistics; first openings reported in:
2008 May 11
2009 May 17
2010 May 11
2011 May 15

So 2012 looks like an early starter... let's see what is going to happen!

Good Hunting!

Source: Frank, PA4EME, editor Sporadic E section MMMonVHF

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: OH0: Aland; square JP90; start 2012-05-24

OH8K/0 will be qrv from JP90SF during the Nordic VUSHF-Meeting 2012

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to join the
Nordic VUSHF-Meeting at Island Aland during 24-27 Mai 2012
(http://vushf.rats.fi/)
They try to be qrv as OH8K/0 on 2m FSK/EME on 25-27 May.
QRG and more details will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: 5X: Oeganda; square KJ60; start 2012-05-25

Moonbounce from Uganda, 5X1EME, KJ60GH

Soon we will travel to Uganda.
>From May 25th till June 3rd 2012, PA3CEE and PE1L will be active as 5X1EME. The locator is KJ60GH.

We have the same equipment as when we where operating as C56EME.
At 144 we have 2 x 8 element cross yagi and wa2odo preamp.
At 432 we have a small station with a 23 el yagi

If we can manage internet we will be on N0UK logger and HB9Q logger for last minute freq change etc.

Welcome to website! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

We want to give a big thanks to our sponsors, without this support its not possible to do this trip.
http://www.emelogger.com/uganda/default.asp?page=sponsor

SOURCE: Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE via Moonne

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year
(C56EME with 361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz),
Bonaire (PJ4X) and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya (5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's just
the two of us but we know what we are doing. It's a hard job to get the license there.
Callsign is still a bit insecure but we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update via MoonNet, MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.
If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood.
We have to come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

SOURCE: Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F: France ; square JN14; start 2012-06-02 **

F/PA2CHR/p qev from JN14BU begin of June

During my summer holiday I will be QRV on Saturday 2
June and (if good activity) Sunday 3 June from a
hilltop in Southern France.
This is not a real DX-pedition, just some hours fun.
If you need JN14 locator pse let me know, maybe we
can arrange a sked.

Station 144 MHz: FT857, 150W. PA and 10el.
Station 432 Mhz: FT857, 100W. PA and 21el.

Best 73's

SOURCE: tnx to Chris, PA2CHR, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** DXCC: SP : Poland ; square JO80 **

Hello everyone,

Because of the Global Astronomy Month 2012, a special call sign
SN2012GAM appear on the EME bands. We are going to work on European EME
Contest on 13cm. We are cordially invite you to take a QSO with this
special call sign, which will working form the EME Group Klodzko
(SP6OPN) station located in Poland.

73, vy
SP6JLW (Andy), SP3QFE (Armi)
and other operators of the EME Group in Klodzko (JO80jk).

SOURCE: Andrej, SP6JLW to MoonNet 2012-04-28

** DXCC: ??; square: ??; start 2012-05-17 **

ME-DXpedition 2012 de DL1YMK

The M&M-team is preparing the next EME-DXpedition, taking place in
May 2012. We will set out for our destination just after having
returned from the Swedish EME Meeting, organised by Lars, SM4IVE,
on the weekend 12./13th of May in Oerebro. We hope to reach our
destination in time and to get QRV on Thursday, 17th of May
(bank holiday in Europe) on 23 cm, followed by 70 cm on 18.05.
On Saturday, 19.05., we will be on 13 cm and on Sunday again on
23 cm. 13 cm will be run with a significant increase in power and
full 2424 MHz coverage. For the first time during an EME- DXpedition,
we intend to get also operational on 6 cm with our old, but proven
stressed dish and a new superb feed made by our friend Tommy,
WD5AGO. 6 cm will have an experimental character despite some 100 W
out, as we could not test so far, if the under-illuminated dish will
work up that high in frequency, so keep your fingers crossed!! Our
plan is to give it a try on Monday, 21th May. Also, we intend to
get active on 3 cm with a separate solid dish, which of course is
a lot smaller. Last weekend we made the first test with LX1DB, having
installed the dish in our garden place. The tests were not yet
satisfying, so our friend Willi right now is trying to help us out
with some substantial development aid!
During the DUBUS contest 26./27th of May, we will of course be
active on 23 cm in order to boost activity in the moonbounce contest
of contests. Our last day of operation will be Thursday, 31st of May.
A detailed schedule for the days from 21th May onwards predominantly
will depend on the progress with 10GHz in the meantime. Further details
to be published soon!! This years DXpedition will be the 9th

EME-DXpedition in a sequence for us. We hope to have fun all together
as experienced during past years DXpeditions.but this largely depends
on you.
Needless to say that it will be again a CW random event, although
doodle mode technically is possible (with a new laptop computer)
on request. We have no idea yet to what extent (if at all) i-net
access is feasable, though.

Vy 73, Michael and Monika

SOURCE: Moon mailing list ; Moon@moonbounce.info

** DXCC: 4X: Israel; square KM72; start 2012-05-17 **

2012 sees the first DXpedition by the group of Dutch radio amateurs
listed below to Israel, who, apart from making QSO's, look forward
to meeting local hams and visiting places of cultural and historical interest.
We will be active from May 17th until May 30th
The first 6 days we will stay in Nes Ammim in the Northwest between Nahariya
and Akko in KM72nx. From there we will travel to Rishon LeZion in KM71jw.

The members of the team during May 2012 are Jaap PA7DA, Loek PA9LUC and XYL,
Hans PA0JBB and SWL Aad van den Nieuwendijk.
At this moment we don't have a 4X callsign and will be QRV according CEPT-regulations with
4X/PA7DA and 4X/PA9LUC. We will operate mainly on 10, 6 and 2m.

More information on the PA7DA website!

SOURCE: tnx to PA7DA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM: Scotland; square IO57; start 2012-05-16 **

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands / IO57

Operators Allan GM3OZB, Barry GM3YEH, Bill GM3ZRT, John GM0DJG, Gordon MM0BIM
and Declan EI6FR will be active as GM7WCO/p from St. Kilda Islands
(EU-059, Grid Loc. IO57), individual island not known at this time,
from 16-21 May, 2012. QRV on on HF and 6m using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY.
QSL via GM7WCO, bureau or direct.

SOURCE: [rsgbiota.org] via ICPO Bulletin (13-20 January 2012)

** DXCC: 9H: Maltha; square JM75; start 2012-05-26 **

Island of Malta qrv on HF and 50 MHz

Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active from the island of Malta (EU-023,
MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, CQ zone 15) as 9H3PP during the CQWW WPX CW Contest
(26-27 May, 2012). Plans are for a Single-Op/Single-Band entry, either 15m or 10m.

After the contest Zoli will focus on some 6m and 12m activity. QSL via home call.

SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (03 - 10 February 2012)

** DXCC: xx9: Macau; square start 2012-05-12 **

Macau, XX9, qrv HF and 6 Meter

A team consisting of EA5BZ, EA5CEE, EA6DD, EB5BBM, F5VLY, EA1ACP, EA5FX, EA7FTR
and EB7DX will be active from Coloane Island, Macau between May 17-23, 2012.
They plan to be active from 6 to 160 meters (include WARC) in CW, SSB and RTTY
with at least 3 stations simultaneously in different bands and modes. QSL via EB7DX.
Website: http://www.adxg.org/xx9/

SOURCE: EB7DX

** DXCC: N: USA; square EN91; start 2012-05-12 **

N8OFS/p qrv 2012-05-12 2300Z till 2012-05-13 0300Z from EN91or

The Rules for the 2012 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints are online...

http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules

I will once again be Broadcasting Live and Direct from the Big Caboose at
the beloved AC&J Railroad for the 6M Sprint... This will be my First of
Six trips to the Caboose for 2012... 50W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the
"DOMINATOR"(tm) at 28.5ft, parked and locked on 52.525FM from EN91or...

PeAcE...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9CDaJ3qR4Q
Andy N8OFS GOT6??? GOT RAVE??? GOT FOOTY??? SMIRK#6737
The CrAzY 6 Meters FM only, sometimes found in a Caboose guy...

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, N8OFS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP43; start 2012-06-08 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV as OH7UV from KP43RL with 100 W in 4 el.

There is a radia amateur summer meeting in Eastern Finland and their meight
be some activity on VHF and UHF too.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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756. eHam.net News for Wednesday 16 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-16 22:34:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04479f8b6f285a04c02eeaed@google.com>
Source record: 3023
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Messages In An Emergency:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:44 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28301

Local governments marked National Emergency Preparedness Week (May 6-12) by introducing a new communications trailer. Customized with countless donations and volunteer hours for just $26,000, the District 69 Emergency Communications Team can tow it to any secure location, unlock the door, turn on the battery, generator or plug it in and be relaying life saving information back and forth to the world in minutes. With several overlapping technologies the team -- comprised largely of Mid-Island Radio Association members -- can speak to or exchange e-mail by radio, with the nearest emergency centre.

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Legion Post Forms Radio Club:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:44 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28300

REDLANDS - The executive board of American Legion Post 106 recently approved the constitution of the post's Amateur Radio Club. The club is seeking accreditation from the American Radio Relay League. The primary purpose of the club is to provide communications in the event of natural disasters or other emergencies by working with other entities of Post 106 and relief providers in the area. Another purpose is to foster education and training among members with respect to electronic communication and emergency preparedness.

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Dangerous Weather Focus of Class:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:44 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28299

As the rain pounded the roof of the Emporia National Guard, 20 individuals attended a
SKYWARN basic instruction class to become Wakefield Trained Spotters on May 9.
Storm Spotters are the "eyes" on the ground of the National Weather Service. They do
what all the expensive radar can't, detect.

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The Hidden History of WTYJ at Georgia Tech:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:45 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28298

Georgia Tech was home to an amateur radio station and Radio Club long before it ever
had its own student radio station. By 1949, preliminary talks were underway about
expanding their activities into broadcasting. According to a June 1949 article in the
campus publication, The Technique, "Some time ago a plan was presented for the
installation of a campus radio station. The plan originated from two-sources -- the
YMCA and Marshall Painter, who graduated in March\& It was decided that a studio
having good microphones, turntables, and other broadcasting equipment would be a far
better investment than one built in a shipshod manner. Because of an Intercollegiate
Broadcasting Co. ruling that the waves of the station cannot go more than 200 feet from
their source, it is expected that use will be made of the common power of heating systems
to 'pipe' the programs to dormitories and fraternities."

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Hopes are Dashed for WTC Morse Code Light:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:45 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28297

Forgotten in the flap over whether a design change will cost 1 World Trade Center its status as the nation's tallest building is the loss of a symbolic New York gesture. A flashing light -- or "architectural beacon" -- atop the tower that was to spell out "N" in Morse code has been changed to a simple blink. "The original design intent was to have the beacon act as a symbolic lighthouse for New York harbor [and the world] flashing 'N' in Morse code [dash-dot]," said Jordan Barowitz, a spokesman for the Durst Organization. "The design has been altered to a dot-dot to project the beam

as far and bright as possible."

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Motorola Radar Tower Demolished for Office Park:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28296

Crews over the weekend tore down a small piece of the Valley's technology history. The
old Motorola radar tower at Elliot Road and Loop 101 was demolished to prepare the
site for the Discovery Business Campus, a 136-acre mixed-use office park. THE
TOWER The tower was built in the mid-1970s to test Motorola's radar technologies, a
spokeswoman said. Motorola stopped using the tower in the mid-1980s. Since then it
has been used by a Motorola amateur radio club, a Freescale Ham radio club and as a
T-Mobile cellphone tower.

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Greenwich Boasts Historic Communications Feat:

Posted: 15 May 2012 05:25 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28295

Did you know that the first Trans-Atlantic shortwave message was sent from a small structure near the corner of Clapboard Ridge Road and North Street, right here in Greenwich? In an age when nearly instantaneous global communication is taken for granted and communication delays of only a fraction of a second are intolerable for certain businesses, it's easy to forget how far we've come in this arena in a relatively short time. Greenwich was the site of a noteworthy early step in this constantly evolving technology. Shortwave radio uses a portion of the radio spectrum where wavelength characteristics are suitable for long distance communication. During the early part of the last century, many people were interested in the exciting possibilities that radio waves offered for rapid communication, and clubs were formed to explore this nascent technology. One of the earliest was the Radio Club of America. On December 11, 1921, amateur radio station 1BCG successfully transmitted a message that was received by Radio Club member Paul Godley in Ardrossan, Scotland. This resulted from a great deal of experimentation and skill on the part of Mr. Godley and six fellow Club members, who constructed the antenna and operating shack on the Greenwich property of their team Minton Cronkhite. Accounts of the event note that these men employed then-unconventional radio techniques to make their breakthrough. Today, a small monument commemorating the event can be found on a traffic island near the site of the original transmission. The achievement was important enough that two notable figures traveled to Greenwich to view the station's configuration. They were Professor Michael Idvorsky Pupin, a scientist and inventor who

made significant contributions to telephony and Mr. David Sarnoff, a leader in the development of radio and television as successful commercial broadcast media. Mr. Sarnoff also served as chairman of the board of the Radio Corporation of America (commonly referred to as RCA).

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W5KUB Web Broadcast from 2012 Dayton Hamvention:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28294

It's time once again for our live broadcast of
the Dayton Hamvention! This year will be better than ever as we are having a private Ka Band internet satellite uplink installed for High Def video from our
fleamarket space.

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Jefferson Co. WV., ARC Meeting:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:51 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28293

The Jefferson County, WV. Amateur Radio Club will hold it's monthly meeting at the Mountain View Diner, 903 East Washington Street, Charles Town, on May 19th (Saturday)
at 1:00 pm. All JCWVARC Officers and all area amateurs are welcome to attend. Plans for Field Day will be discussed.

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Amateurlogic Episode 39 is Released:

Posted: 16 May 2012 01:50 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28292

Recorded live at National Association of Broadcasters NAB Show 2012 in Las Vegas. Join co-hosts George Thomas, W5JDX and Randy Hall, K7AGE for a Vegas Vacation at NAB 2012.

757. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 17 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-17 11:06:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5299be3daca4f04c0396edc@google.com>
Source record: 3024
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O914aLhIQKo/may_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Another chalk and cheese week. 7O6T (Yemen) and 6O0CW (Somalia), (not
pirates then) seemed to swap top spot all week. There was pretty fair of DX
all about but these two are, to say the least, very unusual.
Tony also hears from Big Dave, VK5MRD who, after several months absence
from the airwaves, has just treated himself to a brand-new Icom 7410

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Transit of Venus Special Event June 6, 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q5i6lFl1GQ4/transit_of_venus_special_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For the 7th time in human history and last time this century, Venus will
pass in front of the sun on June 6, 2012. WB4APR is encouraging radio hams
to join up with astronomers and observers in public places to share in this
event

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NIAR at Dayton Hamvention 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ik4et_axwnI/niar_at_dayton_hamvention_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of India's National Institute of Amateur Radio (NIAR) are attending
the Dayton Hamvention this week and will be giving a Forum presentation

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New RSGB General Manager

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UD_s9AtmI8k/new_rsgb_general_manager.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Graham Coomber G0NBI has been appointed as General Manager of the Radio
Society of Great Britain (RSGB)

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HORYU-2 launches today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pdyr7PXxKb4/horyu2_launches_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The launch of amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 on Thursday, May 17 at 1639
UT will be broadcast live on the Internet

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Royal Gunpowder Mills GB2RGM video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/npSVL7ML2AY/royal_gunpowder_mills_gb2rgm_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

If anyone working GB2RGM last weekend heard explosions in the background
then this video shows what caused them

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Ham Radio in the Soviet Union in the 1920's

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9leOLTLqpNc/ham_radio_in_the_soviet_union_in_the_1920s.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Valentin Ivanov RX1AG has made available a video showing the history of
amateur radio in the former Soviet Union

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CQ introduces IndustryInsider e-newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L3yKybCCmJo/cq_introduces_industryinsider_e-newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CQ Communications, Inc., today announced the launch of the CQ Industry
Insider, an e-mail newsletter for the hobby radio industry

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Dayton Hamvention hi-def video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5IuSJktXW1U/dayton_hamvention_hi-definition_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Dayton Hamvention kicks-off on Friday and, as usual, Tom Medlin, W5KUB
will be there bringing us live audio and video of the event - but this year
with an added bonus

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Bletchley Park Station X cover up

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yNovUuUauSg/bletchley_park_station_x_cc

over_up.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Decorative envelopes bearing new stamps on their first day of issue are very collectable. But one released from Bletchley Park for Royal Mail’s 'Station X' stamp issued on April 10th will be even more so

758. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1062.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-17 14:31:08 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <892903.65249.qm@smtp108.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3025
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1062.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1062.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1062.1
BID: $OPDX.1062.1
May 17, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and K3LP for the following DX information.

ANNOUNCEMENT

7O6T Socotra Island DX-pedition
April 30 thru May 15, 2012
By Dmitry (RA9USU; Leader), Igor (RA3AUU; Co-Leader) and David (K3LP; Co-Leader)
Dated: May 16, 2012

It gives us great pleasure to bring the 7O6T Socotra Island DX-pedition
to a successful finish on May 15, 2012, at 2100 GMT. As we finalize the checking of our Club Log QSO data, we celebrate with each of you in achieving the 162,029 QSO's logged. Each of our team members achieved many individual and team successes. This included working outside their normal operating comfort zone and working day after day using 8 to 12 hour work shifts with only getting 4 hours of sleep then hitting the stations operating again. They did not complain as they forged forward in a manner we've never seen. For this, we are extremely proud of their efforts.

As part of the informal operating agreement, we were limited to six radios and ten operators total. Remember, this means five operators available during anyone shift with six operators operating during peak performance periods. When you break these five operators into CW, SSB, RTTY & 160/80 Meter, you can run out of enough people quickly just because all bands and modes are open at the same time. We had three camp locations in order to reduce interference; CW Camp (Summerland Hotel), SSB Camp (Taj Socotra Hotel) and 160/80 Meter Camp at a remote beach location. Each of these locations remained on gas or diesel power generators throughout their operation. We would lose power at least once or twice each day at the Taj Socotra Hotel location for 1 to 3 hours

each time. We acquired a gas powered generator for use at the 160/80 Meter Camp.

Though in any major DX-peditions such as this, there are issues that get identified and warrant re-direction, re-planning and even a few changes in operating philosophy. Prior to, during and after closing our operating positions, the team had many review meetings to improve our team's performance. The DX Community at large provided valuable information that helped us to succeed. Thank you for your emails and comments regarding adjustments to frequencies, band openings, best use of operators, mode use, and logging errors. This input made us stronger and will be applied as we move forward on future planned DX-peditions.

As early as February 2010, the planning for this trip began. Initially, one may not believe that such an event would be even possible. This trip came about as a result of focusing on being a good person and building meaningful relationships in the Republic of Yemen. After numerous Dmitry trips and flights from Moscow to Sana'a, then from Sana'a to Socotra Island, it became evident that a future DX-pedition to the Republic of Yemen might be possible. Just like in business, even a 99% possible business deal sometimes doesn't close. For this reason, events occurring prior to Dmitry's formal announcement were never released or discussed except with the two Co-Leaders, Igor (RA3AUU) and David (K3LP).

Dmitry (RA9USU) and David (K3LP) had various conversions along the away leading up to this event regarding the Operating Plan and Logistics. Our plan was to have the DX-pedition occur the first week of June 2012 when we both had cleared our work schedules and when all the radios, amps, antennas, and supplies would be shipped in advance. After Dmitry landed on Socotra Island on April 12, it became apparent that our plan was coming to fruition faster than expected. Dmitry made a couple of round trips to and from Socotra Island and Sana'a resulting in several formal approvals being given. At this point, we were faced with a choice on either to have Dmitry operate as a single operator or try to invest as much energy as possible in brief moment to organize a team and have them fly two days later to Socotra Island. We elected to proceed with a bigger team and try our best to make the event significant!

Dmitry (RA9USU ' Team Leader) and Igor (RA3AUU) had contacted David (K3LP) just as he arrived in California at the Visalia DX-Convention on April 18-19, 2012, that our trip was a go and needed to be started on April 30 and ended on May 15, 2012. This forced us to abandon our prior Operations Plan and quickly devise a quick and dirty approach before the opportunity disappeared. This meant assembling an operating team that could go immediately, applying for VISAs, having each team member pack their applicable radios, amps, computers, antennas, filters, keyer, headset, coax, etc., immediately purchase their airline tickets and get ready to depart on April 26, 2012 arriving in Socotra Island on April 28, 2012.

This also meant that we were not in a position to discuss or request donations from organizations, clubs or individuals in fear of having the DX-pedition cancelled. As you can imagine, this was an expensive trip that lasted from April 12 (i.e. included on site planning) through May 16, 2012.

In order not to draw any attention to our activities, we used only one large movement of equipment into the country and prevented our second arriving team members to bring anything. In addition, no informal or formal announcement was made until April 30, 2012 as we activated our 7O6T website (www.yemen2012.com) and communicated our intentions via the internet and emails.

After getting limited team member contributions requested beyond their personal hotel, food and airline tickets (about $2,800.00), we are still in the hole about $25,000.00, so your individual contributions are greatly really needed. A complete 7O6T Finance spreadsheet was put together detailing all income and expenses for this trip and will be shared with NCDXF upon our return in hopes of getting their support.

You can submit your QSL Card request direct or via the bureau. Each will be responded too in a timely manner. In saying this, it takes a lot more time to process the manual requests. In order to provide an expedited QSL service, here are a few adjustments that we are making to our website (www.yemen2012.com):

• Adding PayPal payment for electronic QSL Card confirmations. No need to send QSL cards, once you •valid date and time• of your QSO•s on line and make a payment, these cards will be sent out first.
• Adding key space for major sponsors to the website

We want to thank the DX Community for their hard work, patience and willingness in making this DX-pedition a major success. We are all on our way home at this time.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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759. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 17 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-17 16:16:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed73168e04c03dc37f@google.com>
Source record: 3026
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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New RSGB General Manager

Posted: 16 May 2012 10:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346399-New-RSGB-General-Manager&goto=newpost

New RSGB General Manager

Graham Coomber G0NBI has been appointed as General Manager of the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB)

He takes over from Don Beattie G3BJ who had been doing the job on a voluntary basis for 17 months following the sudden departure of the previous incumbent.

Graham's QRZ.com entry says he has recently returned to the UK from Greece, where his callsign was SV0XBA.

Read the RSGB story at

http://www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id=0360

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760. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 17 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-17 16:19:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed2776df04c03dce6d@google.com>
Source record: 3027
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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AU50GOA Goa

Posted: 17 May 2012 05:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346490-AU50GOA-Goa&goto=newpost

Special call AU50GOA to celebrate 50 years of Liberation of Goa from
Portuguese colonial rule will be active from Goa (ex CR8) until 31 May 2012

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/au50goa_goa/

73 Al 4L5A

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Jamaica 6Y3W 6Y/UT5UDX

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:43 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346485-Jamaica-6Y3W-6Y-UT5UDX&goto=newpost

UT5UDX will be active from Jamaica 20-30 May 2012 as 6Y/UT5UDX

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ica_6y-ut5udx/

73 Al 4L5A

761. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1814 - May 18 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-18 09:00:20 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120518090003.2DC8333C9F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3028
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1814 - May 18 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1814 with a release date of May 18th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams in Canada take a first step toward gaining access to 60 meters; amateur radio gets drawn into the argument over whop really owns Scarborough Reef, entry level hams in Belgium get a power upgrade and the 2012 Dayton Hamvention is here. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1814 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: CANADIAN HAMS MAY SOON GET 60 METER PRIVELEGES

Canadian hams may soon be heard on the 5 MHz band. This as telecommunications regulator Industry Canada has posted the request from Radio Amateurs of Canada for access to 60 Meters and opened a window for anyone to file comments on the proposal. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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By way of background, back in 2010, Radio Amateurs of Canada approached Industry Canada and requested the use of five center frequencies in the 5 MHz band. Specifically 5332, 5348, 5358.5, 5373 and 5405 kHz.

The national society stated that the use of these frequencies would allow for more reliable communications during emergency operations. It noted that the propagation characteristics in the 5 MHz frequency range allow for both local and inter-provincial communications.

Radio Amateurs of Canada also noted that the U.S. amateur radio community has access to these frequencies and that harmonizing frequency use would allow Canadian radio amateurs to conduct regional emergency communications on a coordinated basis with U.S. radio amateurs. The society noted that many administrations around the world have authorized radio amateurs to use the frequency 5405 kHz.

At the same time, Radio Amateurs of Canada also requested the use of two additional frequencies, 5319 and 5329 kHz, for Canadian domestic use. However, after conducting a review of domestic and international use of 5319 kHz, Industry Canada determined that this frequency is unavailable for use by the amateur radio service in Canada.

The proposal still needs to complete the entire Canadian rule making process. Canadian hams and other citizens have until June 12th to file comments on this matter.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Bill Unger, VE3XT, is Radio Amateurs of Canada's North -East Ontario Regional Director. He says that this has been a long hard go and has taken a lot of time and effort on the part of the national society, doing so on behalf of all Canadian radio amateurs. (RAC)

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RADIO RELATIONS: HAM RADIO BEING DRAWN INTO DISPUTE OVER OWNERSHIP OF SCARBOROUGH REEF

Ham radio is being drawn into a dispute over the territorial ownership of Scarborough Reef. This as a website pops up claiming correspondence between the Philippine Amateur Radio Association and the ARRL supports mainland China's territorial claim in regard to the land mass that's also known as as Panatag Shoal or Bajo de Masinloc.

The report on the Sina website relating to amateur radio says that back in 1990, the then Philippine ambassador to Germany indicated clearly in his letter to a German radio amateur on February 5th that, Scarborough was not within the Philippine territory and sovereignty. This, according to the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority of the Philippines.

The documents issued by the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority of the Philippines and the Philippine amateur radio organization to the American Radio Relay League on October 18 and November 18, 1994 had also are claimed to confirm that the Philippine territorial limits and sovereignty was stipulated by the Article 3 of the Treaty of Paris way back in the year 1889.

Scarborough Reef is located between the Macclesfield Bank and Luzon Island of the Philippines. Over the years it has seen seen several major DXpeditions and still ranks high as a wanted entity by DXers world wide. .

You can read the entire claim for yourself on-line at tinyurl.com/Scarborough-Reef.

(Sina.com, Southgate)

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RESTRUCTURING: BELGIUM ENTRY LEVEL HAMS GET POWER UPGRADE

In a very strange turnabout of events, Belgium, which only recently threw a paperwork logjam into the lives of hams with antenna registration based on hours on the air and power output has suddenly

granted a major power increase to its entry level Foundation Class license holders. We have more in this report:

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On May 4th, the Flemish government's telecommunications regulator B-I-P-T announced power increases that could permit entry level amateur radio Foundation holders to run 100 watt transceivers on the High Frequency bands. Well, more accurately run 100 watt out transceivers at about half power output level.

The new maximum output power for Flemish Foundation class license holders is 50 watts. That's up from the 10 watts out previously permitted.

But its not all good news for the Belgium based ham radio newcomers. This is because that nations Foundation class H-F allocations are being reduced slightly on most bands but the changes are far to many to list here.

There were also some modifications made for holders of higher class Belgium Amateur Radio Licenses. Those along with the major changes for the Foundation class are on line as a .pdf document in the Flemish language at tinyurl.com/belgium-power-upgrade.

And don't rely on Google or any other on-line language translator to convert this document into truly understandable English. Flemish is one of those languages that really require a human being to translate into understandable form.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The change in power level for Belgium Foundation level hams came as the result of a lobbying effort by the Belgium national amateur radio society, the UBA. Meantime there is no word on any hope of easing the antenna paperwork requirement now faced by all classes of Flemish hams. (UBA, Southgate)

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RADIO POLITICS: ROSENWORCEL AND PAI CONFIRMED AS FCC COMMISSIONERS

The United States Senate has voted to confirm Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Pai as FCC Commissioners and they likely will have been sworn in by the time this newscast goes to air. Rosenworcel is senior communications counsel for the Senate Commerce Committee and also has FCC experience. Pai has worked at the law firm of Jenner and Block since April 2011, and is a former FCC attorney and Senate staffer. Once they take their Commission seats it will bring the agency up to its full complement of five commissioners.

(Published news reports)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Hamvention repeater, W8BI, serving Dayton, Ohio.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAMVENTION 2012 OPENS INTERNATIONALLY CONNECTED

As we go to air, the gates at the Hara Arena should be opening for the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. This is the gathering that's considered as being the show of shows in amateur radio.

Michael Kalter, W8CI, is the General Chairman of this 60th anniversary Hamvention and he recently told Hap Holly, KC9RP, of Rain that 2012 is dedicated to the concept that radio amateurs are internationally connected:

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W8CI: "We have a new committee this year that is working with people that are coming from all over the world that is working to try to make them feel comfortable in Dayton, Ohio, and to be comfortable at Hamvention. They had a welcoming evening at the Mariott Hotel from about 4 to 6. The Mariott is South of Dayton. So we could meet and connect to more of our foreign visitors and make them feel welcome because they certainly are.

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Kalter also says it looks to be a good year for both merchants and those hams attending Hamvention 2012 to get some new goodies. He says that that inside booth space is close to a sellout:

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W8CI: "We are doing really well on indoors and if you were to look at our website (www.hamvention.org) and connect to a couple of liks you can see who is where and how many spaces are left. And there sure aren't very many spaces left.

"There are lots of different exhibitors from all over the world.

"We are pleased to have so many back this year and some new ones as well."

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And what about this years prizes?

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W8CI: "We are ahead on prizes this year from what we had last year in terms of dollar value. Our Prize Chairman and Prize Committee worked very hard to bring in some major prizes and our hourly prizes that start when Hamvention doors open.

"We have flat screens (displays) around the facility to make it a little bit easier and a little bit sharper to be able to see if your ticket stub has won."

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If Michael Kalter's predictions are correct, 2012 should be a banner year for the Dayton Hamvention. We'll let you know more in next Weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report.

(ARNewsline(tm), Audio courtsy of RAIN)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM NATION DAYTON BROADCAST TO BE AIRED BY THE TECH GUY ON THE PREMIERE RADIO NETWORK

And speaking of Hamvention 2012, Bob Heil, K9EID, of Heil Sound tells us that satellite service Via Sat is installing its new Exede high speed internet service on site at the Hara Arena for the entire Hamvention weekend.

Bob that the plan is to initially site the equipment at Tom Medlin, W5KUB's streaming video booth in the Flea Market for all to use.

On Saturday, the 19th Via Sat will move the system outside the doors of the Hamvention's Audio Alley for a live broadcast into Leo Laporte, W6TWT's "The Tech Guy" radio show from around 2 to 3 p.m. Eastern Time. This means that 170 stations on the Premiere Network will have a live report form the Dayton Hamvention with Bob, along with co-hosts Gordon West, WB6NOA and George Thomas, W5JDX, originating from the Ham Nation booth for that broadcast.

Leo Laporte's "The Tech Guy" airs from 2 to 5 p.m. Eastern Time every Saturday. To find a station airing it where you live please visit techguylabs.com on the World-Wide-Web. (K9EID)

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RESCUE RADIO: THE ROLE OF SOCIAL MEDIA IN REPORTING EMERGENCIES TO THE PUBLIC

"Emergency Management Without Social Media.Fail" is the title of a very interesting op-ed article by author Tim Burrows posted across several social media websites. In it, Burrows looks at both the positive and negative effects on the public that social media can have in attempting to disseminate and update information of a disaster, accident or other event that the public needs to know.

Whether you agree or disagree with Burrows assessment of the role of social media in regard to the accuracy of the information being made public, his article is a very interesting evaluation for anyone involved in the world of emergency communications. You can read the entire story on-line at tinyurl.com/emergency-social-media. (Wordpress.com)

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ENFORCEMENT: CONNECTICUT HAM RADIO OPERATOR HELPS LOCATE AND CONVICT PERSON WHO STOLE FROM NATIONAL ARCHIVES

J. David Goldin ,WB1EZA, is being hailed as a hero by the United States National Archives. This after helping to solve exposed what authorities have called one of the most egregious instances of theft of historic materials from where the government preserves its historic documents, photographs and recordings. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

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According to news reports when J. David Goldin, WB1EZA, saw a recorded interview of baseball great Babe Ruth for sale on eBay he knew something was wrong. That's because there was only one original record of that 1937 interview of Ruth on a hunting trip, and Goldin had donated it to a government archive more than 30 years ago.

So Goldin, who is described as an avid record collector, launched his own investigation that lead directly to uncovering the person now believed responsible for stealing close to 1000 artifacts from the National Archives.

Goldin began his sleuthing by purchasing a different recording from the same on-line seller. When the deal was complete he recognized the name of the seller as being the same National Archives employee who had received the Babe Ruth and other historic recording that Goldin had donated thirty years earlier.

Goldin then took his findings to federal investigators. They in turn obtained a search warrant and raided the home of retired National Archives employee Leslie Waffen. There authorities carted away two truckloads of materials. Now, after pleading guilty, a judge in Maryland has sentenced Waffen, to an 18 month prison term and fined him $10,000.

Before retiring, Waffen had worked at the National Archives for 40 years.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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United Stares Inspector General, Paul Brachfeld, whose office investigated the theft, says that he plans to honor Goldin. He told

the press that there are some people who give tips who are just passive. He said that J. David Golden wasn't like that. He called Goldin a sentinel. (QRZ.com, other media reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: TRANSLATOR FINED $10000 FOR IMPROPER OPERATION

Ace of Hearts DJ service and its owner Randy Bennett have been dinged $10,000 by the FCC. This for operating an FM translator near Cape Canaveral, Florida with improper equipment and at more than authorized power levels. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has more:

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By way of background, in March 2011, the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa office issued a proposed $13,000 fine to Ace of Hearts DJ Service for using an unauthorized transmitting antenna system and operating at more than its authorized transmitter power output. In its investigation FCC agents from the Tampa office measured the field strength for station W277AN at almost twice its authorized level. An inspection showed that the translator was also operating with a two-antenna array rather than the single bay system for which it was authorized. ,

In its reply to the Notice of Apparent Liability, Ace claimed it was now operating within its authorized power levels and with an authorized antenna system. The company asked for the penalty to be waived or reduced, arguing that the higher power levels may have been caused by an unknown third party tampering with the transmission equipment. Also that the antenna issue was the result of a typo on an application.

But the commission was not persuaded that someone tampered with the transmitter and caused the power output to be too high. The commission also said it was up to Ace to have reviewed its license application and make sure it was specifying the proper antenna array.

The FCC did however note that after the original N-A-L was levied, Ace filed an application to modify its license to a two-antenna array so the commission cut the fine by $2,000. Hence the reduction of the fine to the $10,000 level.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the studio in Los Angeles.

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Bennett and the Ace of Hearts DJ service were given the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file a further appeal. In addition Bennett was instructed to submit a statement that the translator is now operating consistent with its license authorization. (FCC)

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RADIO READING: SPRING 2012 TAPR OSR JOURNAL NOW ON LINE

The spring issue of the free TAPR P-S-R Journal edited by Stan Horzepa, WA1LOU, is now available to download. This quarterly Journal is full of technical, non-technical and user supplied digital information and articles. Previous issues are also available free from the TAPR website. Its all in cyberspace at www.tapr.org. (TAPR)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: DIGIFEST 2012 - JUNE 2-3

The annual "Digifest" will be held the weekend of June 2nd and 3rd. The popularity and peculiarity of this contest is the great variety of different categories of the participants using various digital modes. These include RTTY, BPSK, MFSK, HELLSCHREIBER, OLIVIA. Complete rules are on line at tinyurl.com/digifest-2012. (Digifest)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: TRACKING MANTA RAYS BY SATELLITE

An international team of researchers have used radio beacon transmitters and satellite technology to track the movements of giant Manta Rays.

According to a Times news report, a team headed by Rachel Graham of the Wildlife Conservation Society in Punta Gorda, Belize, attached transmitters to six Rays off the coast of Mexico's Yucatan peninsula. They reported in the journal PLoS One that they monitored the rays for periods ranging from 27 to 64 days. Their preliminary findings for the Atlantic mantas showed that they traveled as far as 680 miles over a one to two month period searching for food most of the time staying close to the coastline. They also found that Rays spent considerable time in shipping lanes, which rendered them vulnerable to being hit by freighters.

The full in-depth text of this very interesting use of radio tracking can be found on-line at tinyurl.com/manta-ray-tracking (Science Times)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FM INTERFERENCE TO SSB/CW SATELLITES INCREASING

Interference by terrestrial FM operators to ham radio satellites is a growing problem. This according to Alexandru Csete, OZ9AEC who made this recording of FM interference to the FO-9 ham radio bird on

Saturday, May 5th. A QSO that seemed to revolve around chocolate:

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Actual interference QSO recorded off FO-29

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OZ9AEC says that to an FM operator, the spectrum from 145.8 to 146.0 MHz may seem empty, but it isn't. These frequencies are used by weak signal SSB and CW satellite transponders and even a few watts of FM can cause severe interference.

Some FM operators are unaware that if they use these frequencies their local chat across town will be heard thousands of miles away. Nor do they realize that in holding their point to point terrestrial FM chats in this spectrum that they block the satellite from others to use. The use of FM on an SSB/CW linear transponder satellite also reduces the lifetime of both the satellite's batteries and the transponder itself. (OZ9AEC, Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THREE MORE HAMS LAUNCH TOWARD THE ISS

If all went as planned, several new ham radio operators should now be on board the International Space Station. NASA Flight Engineer Joseph Acaba, KE5DAR, and his two Russian Cosmonaut crewmates, Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Sergei Revin, RN3BS, were scheduled to launch toward the ISS on May 14th.

The new crew members should have arrived at the I-S-S on May 16th. They will join Expedition 31 Commander Oleg Kononenko, RN3DX, Flight Engineer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, and Flight Engineer Andrei Kuipers, PI9ISS.

Padalka, Acaba and Revin will transition to the Expedition 32 crew in July and return to Earth this coming September. (NASA, ESA)

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WORLDBEAT: SOUTH AFRICA NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY JUNE 16

In news from around the globe, the South Africa Radio League has selected June 16th as National Amateur Radio Day. This holiday will celebrate amateur radio as a national resource and its diversity as the most exciting of all scientific hobbies.

National Ham Radio Day in South Africa will run from 09:00 to 14:00 local time. The objective is to take amateur radio to the public by exhibiting and doing live demonstrations of the various aspects of the hobby and as such a great and a fun thing to be part of. Both individual hams and clubs in South Africa are invited to take part. (SARL)

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WORLDBEAT: THE ERIC JAMIESON AWARD CREATED IN VK

The Wireless Institute of Australia Board has accepted the offer of Eric Jamieson, VK5LP, to sponsor awards for first amateur radio contacts on the two meter band spanning the Indian Ocean between Australia and Africa. There will be three honors given. One each for voice, for CW and for the digital modes. More on this is on line at www.wia.org.au. (WIA)

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WORLDBEAT: GB0BON COMMEMORATES BATTLE OF NASBY

The United Kingdom's Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society will again be hosting amateur radio special event station GB0BON on June 16th and 17th. This is in celebration of the 367th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby and the third anniversary of station GB0BON. QSL this operation as directed on the air. (GB2RS)

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DX

In DX, word that XX9E is the callsign for the 17th-23rd May DXpedition to Coloane Island, Macau. A large team will be active on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with at least three stations. QSL to EB7DX, direct or electronically via Logbook of the World.

VE1AWW is on the air stroke CY0 from Sable Island. He will be there for at least the next two months and operational on 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meters. He will also be coming to 6 meters as soon as he completes installing an antenna for that band. QSL to his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, MM0SSG is now operational from Angola as D2SG. While he will be there through the end of October his operating time is limited because he is there on a work assignment on an off-shore oil platform. Operations will only take place when he is on land. If you work him, QSL via GM4FDM, direct or by the bureau.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: LENORE JENSEN, W6NAZ, PHONE PATCHING TO VIETNAM VIA MARS

And finally this week, a piece of ham radio history that you can enjoy and share with friends. While perusing the latest ham radio videos posted to YouTube, our producer Biull Pasternak, WA6ITF, came across one featuring the late radio, television and film actress Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ, running phone patches to Vietnam.

These phone patches were done through the Military Affiliate Radio System which often used frequencies just outside the regular High Frequency ham bands. Overseas telephone calls were difficult to make decades ago and sometimes impossible depending on location, so for U.S. service men stationed around the world, ham radio filled the void. This was an all with volunteer effort and Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ, was at the forefront of the activity.

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Audio bite from film

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The film is titled "A Visit to Mars" and was part of the United States Army produced series "The Big Picture." Bill dates the documentary to the late 60s and notes that the phone patch was obviously simulated for filming. He asks: Did you ever hear noise-free audio on High Frequency DX, or the public always remembering to say "over?"

These details aside, the film appears to be accurate overall. It depicts the way things were done about 50 years ago and is a trip back in time. You can see it yourself on-line at tinyurl.com/LenorePatchingToVietnam. And LenorePatchingToVietnam is spelled as one word. (CGC, ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, this week representing Newsline at the Dayton Hamvention, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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762. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 18 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-18 11:02:32 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c923efb62ffd04c04d7ceb@google.com>
Source record: 3029
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB60VUL - The Vulcan Diamond Jubilee

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GB60VUL will be on the air until May 27 to promote 60 years of the Vulcan Bomber, and the Vulcan’s 'Salute to Her Majesty' during her Diamond Jubilee year

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New 'PRB-1' law now in effect in Ohio

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/087I4CUdruQ/new_prb1_law_now_in_effect_in_ohio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On May 15, Ohio Governor John Kasich signed a bill into law granting comprehensive rights to Amateur Radio operators in that state

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Two New Lighthouse Activations: TC1ILH and TC6KLH

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3SIX-U5YaIY/two_new_lighthouse_activations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This Fri-Sun May 18-20, 2012, TCSWAT and GITRAD, in collaboration with Coastal Safety Administration, will be operating from some Black Sea coast lighthouses for the first time

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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HORYU-2 Telemetry Competition

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The amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 was successfully launched on Thursday, May 17 at 1639 UT and its signals have been received by radio amateurs around the world

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Operators needed for Canal Festival

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vmy8lZ7-u5U/operators_needed_for_canal_festival.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chesterfield Canal Festival is due to be held on the weekend 30th June and 1st July (Saturday and Sunday) at The Staveley Marina near Chesterfield and help is needed with communications for the event

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Successful end to Socotra Island DXpedition

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The 7O6T – Socotra Island DXpedition came to a successful finish on May 15, 2012, at 2100 GMT, after having logged 162,029 QSOs

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Milestone for wi-fi with 'T-rays'

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Researchers in Japan have smashed the record for wireless data transmission in the terahertz band, an uncharted part of the electro-magnetic spectrum

763. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1062.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-18 11:45:44 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <316121.25868.bm@smtp114.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 3030
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network Cordell Expeditions and W2VU for the following DX information.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND. Dated May 15th: "After 5 months of planning, Cordell Expeditions is pleased to announce a DXpedition to Heard Island, Territory of Australia, in early 2014.We have assembled a core team, arranged for the vessel, and are awaiting the landing permit and radio callsign. Initial team members, collaborating organizations, and other resources will be announced in the near future. The expedition will be multi-disciplinary, with three major activities: Communications, Environmental Science, and Documentation. We will be active on all bands and all modes, implement a variety of innovative real-time communications technologies, and field a variety of scientific projects that are designed to observe and document some of the unique resources on this extraordinary island. We will use the latest version of DXA (www.cordell.org/DXA) for real-time online presentation of log data, images, and video from Heard Island.
This project follows the very successful expedition to Heard Island carried out by this group in 1997. Details of that operation can be seen at <www.cordell.org/HI>. The website for the 2014 DXpedition is <www.cordell.org/HD>.
We invite your participation in this project, as a potential team member, supporter, or eventually as a callsign in our radio log! If you have a particular interest in Heard Island or may be interested in joining the expedition, we invite you to contact us.
For information, please contact the Expedition Leader, Dr. Robert Schmieder at <schmieder@cordell.org>."

NOTE FROM EDITOR: Here at the Dayton HamVention, I learned that a second group is also planning an operation to Heard Island. Hopefully, more details will be forthcoming.....

From the CQ Newsroom...

NEWS RELEASE by Rich Moseson, W2VU, Editor CQ magazine:
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CQ ANNOUNCES 2012 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES
(Dayton, OH - May 18, 2012) -- CQ magazine today announced its 2012 Hall of Fame inductees, celebrating the 45th anniversary of the CQ DX Hall of Fame with three new members, along with two new inductees into the CQ Contest Hall of Fame and 16 new members of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.
The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The 2012 inductees (listed alphabetically) are:

George Badger, W6TC (SK), expert in tubes and tube circuit designs; executive of Eimac and later President of Svetlana

Bill Brown, WB8ELK - "Father" of amateur radio high-altitude ballooning

Robert Brown, NM7M (SK) - Expert on 160-meter propagation, author and retired physics professor

Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR - Chair of the Miami "Tropical Hamboree" hamfest for 45 years; ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director, Honorary Vice President

Richard Garriott, W5WKQ • Younger half of first U.S. father-son team to travel in space. (His father is Owen Garriott, W5LFL, the first astronaut to operate amateur radio from space, and a 2001 Amateur Radio Hall of Fame inductee.)

William W. Hansen (no call)(SK), "Father of Microwave Electronics"

Richard Kirby, ex-W0LCT/HB9BOA (SK) - Director of the ITU's International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR) from 1974 to 1995

Fred Maia, W5YI (SK) - One of the architects of VE program, first FCC-designated VEC; editor/publisher W5YI Report; long-time CQ columnist

Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML - Communications Director, New York City Marathon, 1976-present; former ARRL First Vice President, Director

Larry Mulvehill, WB2ZPI - Photojournalist who has covered major news events around the world for more than 50 years; CQ cover photographer for over 30 years

Rowley Shears, G8KW (SK) - Founder of KW Electronics in UK; helped re-establish amateur radio in Germany after World War II

Mike Staal, K6MYC - Antenna expert, co-founder of KLM and M2 Antennas

Frederick Terman (ex-6FT, W6AE, W6XH) (SK) - Microwave pioneer, partner with William Hansen (see above)

Patrick Tice, WA0TDA - Manager, Courage HandiHam System; for more than 20 years

Louis Varney, G5RV (SK) - Inventor of the G5RV antenna

William A. Wilson, K6ARO (SK) - First U.S. Ambassador to the Vatican after formal diplomatic relations were re-established in 1984 after more than a century

CQ DX and Contest and DX Halls of Fame

The CQ DX and Contest Halls of Fame honor those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways. The CQ DX Hall of Fame, founded in 1967, celebrates its 45th anniversary this year.

The 2012 inductees to the CQ DX Hall of Fame are:

Don Chesser, W4KVX (SK) - Pioneering DXer and DXpeditioner; founder of DX magazine

Glenn Johnson, W0GJ - A leading DXpedtioner, leading many teams, often to very rare countries; personally responsible for restoring amateur radio in Bhutan in 2000

Carl Smith, N4AA - Editor and publisher of DX magazine and the weekly "QRZ DX" bulletin. Also CQ's DX Editor and leader of effort to create Southern Appalachian Radio Museum.

The 2012 inductees to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame are:

Jim Reisert, AD1C - Maintains and constantly updates the country and prefix files that are depended upon by virtually all of the major contest and general logging programs, as well as software for the major DX clusters.

Lothar Wilke, DL3TD (SK) - Leading contester and promoter of contesting in Germany; under his leadership, DA0HQ won the IARU World Championship 11 times.

Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame were scheduled for the Dayton Hamvention.&#65533; More detailed descriptions of inductees will appear in the official announcement in the July 2012 issue of CQ magazine.

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NEWS RELEASE by Rich Moseson, W2VU, Editor CQ magazine (date May 16th):

CQ INTRODUCES INDUSTRY NEWSLETTER: CQ INDUSTRY INSIDER
(Hicksville, NY - May 16, 2012) -- CQ Communications, Inc., today announced the launch of the CQ Industry Insider, an e-mail newsletter for the hobby radio industry. The newsletter will report on news and trends in the amateur radio, scanning and listening marketplace, as well as company news and announcements, marketing tips and an idea

exchange for spotlighting concepts for new products and services. The first issue was sent out this week.

"Our goal in publishing the IndustryInsider is to help businesses in the amateur radio industry thrive and grow," said Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, "by sharing industry news and trends, marketing tips and product ideas."

The Editor of the CQ Industry Insider is Jason Feldman, who currently works with both Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online, is Director of Pop'Comm's monitoring registration program, and who came to CQ with considerable experience in producing e-mail trade newsletters. Feldman will be backed up by Ad Manager Chip Margelli, K7JA; Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU; Production Director Dottie Kehrwieder, and the rest of the CQ Communications staff.

The CQ Industry Insider is being distributed initially to companies and individuals already on the CQ advertising department e-mail list. Industry members not on the list who would like to be added should contact Chip Margelli at <ads@cq-amateur-radio.com>.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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==> ARRL CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION: ARRL PRESIDENT KAY CRAIGIE, N3KN,
INVITES INPUT FOR 2014 ARRL CENTENNIAL

The ARRL will celebrate its centennial in 2014, and is already making
plans to commemorate the highlights of the League's first century and
looking forward to what the second century may bring. But it's your

League and your centennial. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN,
invites all ARRL members to provide suggestions to help make this
once-in-a-lifetime event truly special. "Centennial theme publications
and special sections of regular publications are in the works," Craigie
noted, "as is an operating event that all members can participate in.
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We will have centennial merchandise in the ARRL store and artwork you can use to design items for yourself and your club. We'll be drawing on the ARRL's historical collection and the memories of living amateurs." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-president-kay-craigie-n3kn-invites-input-for-2014-arrl-centennial>.

==> REGULATORY: ARRL RESPONDS TO FCC REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON IMPEDIMENTS TO AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

On Wednesday, May 16, 2012, the ARRL filed comments in response to the FCC's Public Notice seeking comments on Emergency Communications by Amateur Radio and impediments to Amateur Radio communications. Known as Docket 12-91, the Commission is soliciting comments from the public as it writes the report they were directed to present to Congress as part of Public Law No. 112-96 <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/PLAW-112publ96/pdf/PLAW-112publ96.pdf>.

At the direction of ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and the ARRL Board's Executive Committee, the document was drafted by ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, assisted by ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, as well as ARRL Chief Technology Officer Brennan Price, N4QX and several ARRL Headquarters staff members.

Over 1500 e-mails were received at ARRL from amateurs, sharing the details of their various deed restrictions. An additional 350-plus e-mails were also received detailing actual Emergency Communications participation in various events from almost every state in the US as well as several US territories.

"The information provided to the ARRL by its members has provided a strong statement of how the various deed restrictions have negatively impacted the ability of Amateur Radio licensees to maximize their participation in disaster and emergency support communications," said Henderson. "The information provided by the membership not only helps us make the best case to the FCC in this docket, but also begins to lay a good foundation for considering possible rule changes that would enhance Amateur Radio communications beyond this proceeding. I want to thank the hundreds of concerned amateurs who made the effort to provide the ARRL with the facts of their personal set of circumstances. What you shared with us has helped us make a strong argument to present to the Commission," he added.

A copy of the ARRL's filing <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7021918167> to the FCC may be found on the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System website.

==> REGULATORY: NEW "PRB-1" LAW NOW IN EFFECT IN OHIO

On May 15, Ohio Governor John Kasich signed a bill into law <http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText129/129_HB_158_EN_N.pdf> granting comprehensive rights to Amateur Radio operators in that state. Several key players in the successful effort to enact a "PRB-1" law in

Ohio were present for the signing, including Section Manager Frank J. Piper, KI8GW; Rick Swain, KK8O; Bill Carpenter, AA8EY; Steve Katz, N8WL,

and Constance Barsky, WD8ODC. ARRL Great Lakes Division Director James Weaver, K8JE, was also at the signing.

Ohio SM Frank Piper provided some background:

"In the past three years, we have had four versions of this bill in the Ohio Statehouse. In the last State Assembly, these bills died in Committee. In this current Assembly, everything lined up for us, and House Bill 158 made the entire journey from Introduction to the Governor Kasich's signature.

"We had to make a few revisions to HB 158 during its travels through committee hearings, but in the end we finished with an Act that places the full language of CFR 47, Part 97.15 into the Ohio Revised Code. In addition, language at the end of the law states: 'Any legislative authority that denies an application for approval of an amateur station antenna structure shall state the reasons for the denial and shall, on appeal, bear the burden of proving that the authority's actions are consistent with this section.' This language removes the burden of proof from the Amateur Radio operator and places it on the legislative authority.

"State Government Liaison Nick Pittner, K8NAP, did a tremendous job over the past several years, staying on top of the status of bills that were running their course on both sides of the Statehouse. Nick knew when to call in key people to testify to Committees, and was instrumental in the process of negotiating the required revisions when requested.

"My thanks go out to all the Amateur Radio operators in the Ohio Section who called, wrote and e-mailed their State Representatives and Senators to support this legislation. Without their grass roots work, this victory would not have been possible."

==> HAMVENTION: DAYTON HAMVENTION STARTS MAY 18

Thousands of ham radio operators from around the world are converging on Dayton, Ohio for this weekend's Hamvention. The theme: Internationally Connected.

==> FCC NEWS: JESSICA ROSENWORCEL AND AJIT PAI SWORN IN AS FCC COMMISSIONERS

On Monday, May 14, Jessica Rosenworcel, and Ajit Pai, were sworn in

by FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski as FCC Commissioners. For the first time in almost a year, the Commission is once again at full strength. Rosenworcel, a Democrat, fills the seat vacated by Michael Copps who retired from the Commission earlier this year; her term runs through June 30, 2015. Pai, a Republican,

replaces Meredith Attwell Baker, who left the FCC in June 2011; his term runs through June 30, 2016. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/jessica-rosenworcel-and-ajit-pai-sworn-in-as-fcc-commissioners>.

==> ON THE AIR: ARRL MICROWAVE BAND PLANNING COMMITTEE RELEASES DRAFT BAND PLANS

The ARRL UHF-Microwave Band Plan Committee has released for comment its draft band plan for 13 cm (2.3/2.4 GHz) and welcomes comments on it. The amended draft band plan for 902-928 MHz (33 cm) has also been released. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-microwave-band-planning-committee-releases-draft-band-plans>.

==> QST: GET READY FOR THE LAUNCH OF THE DIGITAL VERSION OF QST

We are excited about being able to offer ARRL members access to a brand-new digital edition of QST. We expect to launch the digital edition on or about May 23. If you have checked the Notification box on your Member Profile, you will be notified by e-mail as soon as the digital edition becomes available. As a bonus, ARRL members will also have access to the digital archive -- the digital editions beginning with the January 2012 issue. Our thanks to those who have beta tested the digital edition. Your input has been invaluable as we have worked to improve and enhance the digital edition. For more information, please see the Digital Edition FAQ <http://www.arrl.org/digital-qst-faq>.

==> NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR 2012 PHILIP J. MCGAN MEMORIAL SILVER ANTENNA AWARD

The ARRL is now accepting nominations for the 2012 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award <http://www.arrl.org/phil-mcgan-award>. This annual honor goes to a radio amateur who has demonstrated success in Amateur Radio public relations and best exemplifies volunteer spirit of the award's namesake, Phil McGan, WA2MBQ (SK). As the first chairman of the ARRL Public Relations Committee, McGan helped to reinvigorate the League's commitment to public relations. Nominations are due at ARRL Headquarters by May 25, 2012.

"Throughout the year, ARRL Public Information Coordinators (PIC <http://www.arrl.org/public-information-coordinator>s), Public Information Officers (PIO <http://www.arrl.org/public-information-officer>s) and other public relations volunteers strive to keep Amateur Radio visible in their communities," explained ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP. "They do this by publicizing special events, writing press releases and maintaining good relations with local news media. Their efforts benefit us all. Nominating someone -- and recognizing his or her public relations achievements -- is "the perfect way to say 'thank you' for promoting Amateur Radio."

The McGan Award honors achievement in public relations. Pitts pointed out the distinction between public relations -- essentially getting Amateur

Radio's message to the public -- and public service, which is Amateur Radio activity on behalf of the public, such as supporting emergency communication. "If you're considering nominating someone in your area for the McGan Award, please ask yourself if your candidate's work fits the public relations definition," he said.

The McGan Award recognizes those Public Relations activities that include efforts specifically directed at bringing Amateur Radio to the public's attention (and most often to the news media's) in a positive light. These may include traditional methods such as news releases, or less-traditional methods such as hosting a radio show or being an active public speaker.

Unfortunately, McGan never got to see how well his own PR efforts paid off. In his honor, his friends in the New Hampshire Amateur Radio Association joined with the ARRL Board of Directors to pay a lasting tribute to the important contributions he made on behalf of Amateur Radio by establishing this annual award. A committee of volunteers knowledgeable about Amateur Radio public relations will pick the winner, subject to approval by the ARRL Board of Directors. All McGan Award nominees must be a full ARRL member -- not a group -- in good standing and may not be regularly compensated for public relations work involving Amateur Radio, including payment for articles. Nominees may not be a current officer, director, vice director or paid staff member, or a member of the current selection committee.

Nominations must be received at ARRL Headquarters by 5 PM Eastern Time on May 25, 2012. The committee will not consider nominations that arrive after the deadline or without an entry form. Complete details and an official nomination form on McGan Award eligibility and how to nominate someone are available on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/phil-mcgan-award>. Completed entry forms and supporting materials should be mailed to Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award, c/o Allen Pitts, W1AGP, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Unspeakable high processions of Sun and Moon and countless stars above <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dWeeK1RlOJ8>" Cook, K7RA, reports: If you look at Spaceweather.com and use their archive feature (check the three drop-down field on the upper right), you can step day-by-day through the past week and see the progression of a considerable number of sunspots in the Daily Sun image on the left side of the page. There was one new sunspot group on

May 10, two on May 11, four more on May 13 and another on May 15. Average daily sunspot numbers for the past week rose nearly 25 points, or about 27 percent, to 117.3. The big day was Monday, May 14, when the

daily sunspot number jumped to 156. This was one day after four new sunspot groups, 1481 through 1484 appeared for the first time. Average daily solar flux rose 12 points to 131, an increase of 10 percent. For the near term, predicted solar flux is 130 on May 17-24, 115 on May 25-31, 120 on June 1, 125 on June 2-3, 130 on June 4, 135 on June 5-9 and 130 on June 10-12. Projected planetary A index is 5 on May 17-22, 8 on May 23, 5 on May 24 through June 4, then 8, 12, 18, 10 and 5 on June 5-9.

Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, May 18. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Ralph Vaughan Williams' Sea Symphony <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sea_Symphony> (IV The Explorers), taken from Walt Whitman's Leaves of Grass <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass> (Book XXVI <http://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass/Book_XXVI>, Passage to India, verse 5).

==> NO ARRL AUDIO NEWS ON MAY 17, WILL RETURN MAY 24

Due to staff travel to the Dayton Hamvention, there will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, May 17. ARRL Audio News will return on May 24.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- May 19 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- May 19-20 -- His Majesty King of Spain Contest (CW); EU PSK DX Contest; Baltic Contest
- May 21 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- May 21-22 -- Aegean RTTY Contest
- May 23-24 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- May 25 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 26-27 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (CW)
- May 27 -- QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint (local time); SARL Digital Contest
- May 27-28 -- Michigan QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- May 18-20 -- Dayton Hamvention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/dayton-hamvention-3>, Dayton, Ohio
- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electro
nics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 4 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama

- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

· FMTAG Notes May

· WIQ – Wireless Institute of Queensland 100 year centenary

· 63rd Lake Constance Convention Invitation to IARU member societies.

Debby says…Sorry everyone, I should probably asked you to specify which issue of Break In you may have missed. I seem to be getting a number of members advising they have not received their latest issue. The last issue to be posted was March/April, the next one due out at the beginning of June will be the May/June issue. Obviously this one is yet to be produced, therefore you won't have received it yet.

Just as a reminder, Break In is produced bi-monthly, and dispatched at the beginning of every second month. I.E. March, June, August, October and December.

There is still time for those branches who have yet to return their call book details to me. I did state that close off was the 1st of May, however as Call Book is yet some months away before it will be published, I can now extend that time to 30 June.

Lastly – please remember to send me your Branches voting figures if you require a proxy to present them at the AGM.

Hope to see you at conference!

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 251

Proposal

Branch 24 Motueka has applied for a 7 dB power increase of its 670 repeater at Mount Campbell, located at TOPO50 BP24 876.19 474.92. The repeater transmit frequency is 146.700 MHz and its receive frequency is

146.100 MHz.

Final recommendation to NZART Council

None this time.

NZART Council Revises its Licence Fee Policy

As mentioned in “From the President” (page 3 March/April Break-In), NZART Council has revised its Beacon, Link and Repeater Licence Fee Policy. Here are more details.

Council resolved to encourage the transfer of Repeater, Beacon and Link Licences from NZART to the equipment-owning Branches, and to impose a surcharge of $5.11 per licence, to offset NZART HQ costs, on those licences that remain with NZART.

The MED's Annual Administration Fee, for an Amateur Beacon, Link, or Repeater Licence, is $46.00, if paid by credit card via the MED's SMART website, or $51.11, if paid by cheque to the MED's Business Service Centre. The $5.11 surcharge recognises the cost to the MED of processing a manual payment.

Previously, NZART HQ requested payment of $46.00 from Branches and forwarded the full amount to the MED.

The NZART HQ cost of processing a manual payment are similar to those of the MED and, therefore, NZART Council decided to introduce the same $5.11 surcharge per licence for all Licence Fee payments made via NZART HQ.

As at the 17th of May, the following Branches (and Affiliates) had not yet completed licence transfers:

Northern District

03 Western Suburbs

28 Whangarei

33 Rotorua

38 Taumarunui

51 Eastern Bay of Plenty

55 Waitomo

66 Auckland VHF

67 Kawerau

78 Far North

84 Bay of Islands

85 Mercury Bay

86 Musick Point

Auckland AREC

Central District

23 Marton

42 Titahi Bay

46 Wairarapa

48 Wanganui

82 Southern Wairarapa

87 South Taranaki

Midland District

05 Christchurch

26 Nelson

34 South Canterbury

49 Westland

56 Christchurch West

CARDS

Southern District

08 Eastern Southland

35 South Otago

37 Southland

61 Central Otago

64 North Otago

Branches wishing to avoid paying the $5.11 surcharge for each licence need to arrange transfer of their licences from NZART to the Branch. To start the licence transfer process, please send an email to FMTAG to receive an information pack:

fmtag@nzart.org.nz

NZART Council has confirmed that the revised policy does not apply to National System or International Beacon Licences.

Comments and Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

The current status of Applications can be viewed on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/fmtag-apps-being-processed/

Hamilton Amateur Radio Club

MARKET DAY

When: Saturday August 11th, 2012

Where: Waikato Table Tennis Stadium

Edgecumbe Street

Information: Vendors from 8.00 am

Buyers from 10.00 am

Table space at $20 per metre pre-paid

$25 per metre on the day

All enquiries: Market Day,

Hamilton Amateur Radio Club,

PO Box 606, Hamilton

E-mail: harcmday@nzart.org.nz

Web: http://zl1ux.tripod.com/market_day.html

CENTENARY- 1912 ~ 2012

CELEBRATING

“VK100WIQ”

MICHAEL J. CHARTERIS,

VK4QS

CHAIRMAN,

QUEENSLAND CENTENARY COMMITTEE, WIA

To the Radio Amateurs of New Zealand

Two years ago, in the year 2010, “We” as Australian
Amateur Radio Operators celebrated a world first, by way of the fact that our National Body, the Wireless Institute of Australia turned 100

Years of age. Such a milestone eclipsed both the formation of the ARRL in US and the RSGB in the UK. Thus, Australia was the vanguard of organised Amateur Radio in the entire world. During 2010, from what I heard on Air, Australian Amateurs embraced the Centenary of the WIA with gusto. Each night the bands were abuzz with all and sundry striving to contact the special Centenary Station VK100WIA.

This year 2012 sees the Centenary of the Formation of the Wireless Institute in the State of Queensland, the W.I.Q. As such, "We" in Queensland plan to celebrate over the course of the rest of the year with various "Club" based special events and activities. Our Centenary Call Sign "VK100WIQ" will be operational from June 1st 2012 through to July 31st 2012, by way of a Roster System for all the Queensland Radio Clubs to apply for a three day block.

Our Centenary Committee is well founded with the following Amateurs at its helm, Mr. Ewan McLeod, VK4ERM, WIA Director, Mr Trent Sampson, VK4TS, WIA Director, Mr. Al Shannon, VK4SN, QAC, Mr Don Wilschefski, VK4BY, QAC, Mr. Kevin Johnson, VK4UH, QAC, and Myself, Mike Charteris, VK4QS, Chairman QAC. Between us, we hope to encourage and participate in as many of the Centenary events being hosted by various Radio Clubs throughout this great State of ours.

The origins of the celebration stem from a meeting organised by one Mr. Sydney Victor Colville, in the year 1912, with the view to form the Wireless Institute in Queensland. To quote the WIA Book, Volume 1, "WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF QUEENSLAND FORMED BY S.V. COLVILLE (XQF), WHO LATER BECAME THE SECRETARY AND ORGANIZER.

For those unfamiliar with the history of the Q.W.I, or W.I.Q, and what later became the W.I.A.Q, a new website has been developed to give an overview of the men the names and the places that saw the Wireless Institute develop in Queensland. You can find our Website at the following address: www.wiaq.org.au

Please take the time to read the brief histories that have been written, and largely drawn from the wonderful work by Mr. Alan Shawsmith, George Taylor Medallist,VK4SS, SK, in his book "HALCYON DAYS". To seek out and obtain the book, "HALCYON DAYS" is perhaps one of the best ways to understand the pioneering spirit of Amateur Radio Pathfinders and Experimenters in Queensland from the earliest days.

On Sunday, July 22nd, following the President's Centenary Luncheon on the Saturday, the Hervey Bay Amateur Radio Club will be hosting a Free BBQ for all attending Presidents, Members and Guests. This will be held at the Hervey Bay SES Building on Old Maryborough Road, Hervey Bay. On this day Hervey Bay will host the Centenary call sign VK100WIQ, on HF from the SES Building. It is hoped that many will take the opportunity to work our National WIA President Michael Owen, and invited guests on air with the Centenary call VK100WIQ that day.

Throughout the duration of the Centenary Call Sign period, from June 1st through to July 31st 2012, I trust that all Radio Amateurs in New Zealand will avail themselves of the opportunity to work VK100WIQ.There is a Centenary QSL Card as well as a special Centenary Certificate for five different Club contacts with VK100WIQ. The cost structure for the Certificate will be similar to that of the VK100WIA Certificate, around $5-00US.

So come one, come all, my fellow Amateur Radio Operators, as we here in Queensland invite to our Centenary. Come and share in some Queensland Hospitality and Radio Fellowship throughout the Year 2012. We, the Queensland Centenary Committee, look forward to us all celebrating our special One Hundred Year Event with you the Amateur Radio Operators of New Zealand. For history has shown our hands linked across the Tasman from the days of Anzac to now.

Kia Ora

Yours Sincerely

Mike Charteris, VK4QS

On behalf of the Amateurs of Queensland

Ham Radio 2012 Lake Constance Convention

The 63rd Lake Constance Convention and the Ham Radio 2012, both organised by DARC, Germany's most prominent amateur radio club, will take place from Friday, June 22nd until Sunday, June 24th 2012 in Friedrichshafen.

We very much hope that many representatives of the IARU member societies will be able to join us again this year.

As in previous years we have been able to obtain a special discounted rate for you at the “Seehotel”. Further details can be found in the attachment.

You can register and also make a hotel reservation by emailing or faxing the attached reservation form to Mrs. Simone Blümer at DARC.

We would also be very pleased to welcome you at the “Informal International Meeting for Representatives of IARU Member Societies”. We will communicate via separate email the venue and date/time for this meeting in due time.

If you attend Hamvention 2012 in Dayton please also visit our booth in the ARRL EXPO area. We will be next to the RSGB stand on the left side of the ARRL exhibit area.

Looking forward to meeting you in Friedrichshafen.

Vy 73,

Thomas Wrede DF2OO

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766. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 18 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-18 16:17:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba179de980f04c051e10d@google.com>
Source record: 3033
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Focus South America during WWSA Contest

Posted: 18 May 2012 03:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346629-Focus-South-America-during-WWSA-Contest&goto=newpost

Focus South America during WWSA Contest

Using a very familiar exchange and format, contesters have a prime option from South America during the second weekend of June, with the WWSA CW Contest, sponsored by the Grupo Argentino de Radiotelegrafia (GACW).

The focus is on South America, as the 24 hour contest runs from 1500 GMT on Saturday 9 June to 1500 on Sunday 10June.

We has been trying hard in recent years to get more US and Canadian stations to join in the WWSA CW Contest, and those that tune in during the 24 hour contest period should recognize a very familiar rhythm.

The contest exchange is the same as CQ WW, using a signal report and your CQ zone. Example: 59905, 59911, etc.

Multipliers are also counted the same way, making it a familiar format. Country + CQ zone

Just like CQ WW, contacts between stations in your home country are okay for zone or country multipliers, but have zero point value. Same continent = 1 pt - Different continet = 3 pts.

There is one difference in how your score is totaled, as South American stations are worth extra points - 5 points for stations outside of South America.

It is a kind of a contest in which all the South Americans will play the role of difficult DX since we grant special points.

For this edition, as we did the previous year, we will grant electronic Diplomas to the winners of the most important categories and when the score justifies it.

In our web site you can find multilingual rules, results, pictures and videos, software, etc.

There is a new address for your WWSA 2012 logs = logs@wwsatest.org

WWSA web site www.wwsatest.org

GACW web site http://gacw.no-ip.org

We will be very happy to contact you in the CW HF bands...!!!

767. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING MAY 20 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-18 20:05:57 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <618e6632-2302-4757-925d-cbf51691d0d6@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 3034
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-05-20.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - May 20 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

FOLLOWING STORIES IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA ARE FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 20 2012.

Are you coming to the WIA Annual Conference weekend.

If you are coming then bring your radio, yes your Dstar
Radio -- "way of the future I hear you say", yep that it
sure is !So we will have the WIA portable Dstar repeater set
up in Mildura for the full conference weekend, listen out on
the Dstar repeater frequency 438.150MHz

Now if you haven't yet registered for this action packed
weekend you know, we can still squeeze you in. Now it's only
a week away and we do have well over 170 people coming to
sunny Mildura and we have almost reached the goal of the
Sunraysia Radio Club secretary Noel Ferguson, and his dream
to get 200 people to Mildura for the event.

So just in case you've been listening on some other band for
the last few Sundays, here's a quick recap on what we will be
getting up to next weekend. On Friday night we will be
having a small feast at Settlers Club with some special
entertainment arranged by Noel VK3FI and with special guest

speaker Allan Cameron. On Saturday morning the WIA will run its AGM and Open Forum which will be followed in the afternoon by our tech program "Technology to the Future" with presentations on the very latest in digital ATV transmitters, the latest developments in Chirp Radar systems, a video presentation with Jan King on the history of the AMSAT satellite program and of course, none other than those helium boys from Adelaide the Project Horus team. Then on Saturday night it will be time to unwind and enjoy a sumptuous meal at the Grand Hotel, hey did you know the Grand Hotel is home to Celebrity /Chef/. /Stefano/de Pieri. need I say more, the food is going to be just amazing!

On Sunday morning we will be having that much anticipated launch of the special Horus weather balloon complete with amateur radio payload. And you can install the special tracking software on your laptop feed the laptops audio interface from your radio and see the balloon progress on it's journey to somewhere, you can talk via the balloons on board 2 and 70 repeater or chase the balloon to goodness know where and be the first to recover the payload to win the brand new Yaesu FT1900R transceiver. And for the more sensible folk, do book in on the Paddleboat Mundoo for its scenic riverboat cruise and sumptuous lunch. Now ... for everyone at home, remember, that we will be running a special event HF station from the Paddleboat Mundoo between 11:00 and 15:00 hours Australian Eastern Standard time , so do listen out on the bands (I would suggest 20 or 40) for special event station VK102WIA and remember we will be issuing commemorative QSL cards for all contacts made. And finally, as we mentioned last week, the perfect way to cap off any weekend would be a BBQ at historic Fergus Park, Nicholls Point and that my friends is exactly what we will be doing Sunday night at the historic park with LED lighting.

So, if you haven't got around to registering for this fantastic weekend, jump on the net go to the WIA website home page click on the Conference weekend link and fill out our online registration form.

This is Robert VK3DN on behalf of the Sunraysia radio club, host club for the 2012 WIA Annual Conference weekend.

ACMA releases Five-year spectrum outlook 2012-2016

In another first for the ACMA, its key spectrum management publication, the Five-year spectrum outlook 2012-2016 has been released in a beta electronic magazine (e-mag) format.

The new Outlook is more streamlined and user-friendly and can be viewed using smartphones, tablets and PCs.

'You will be able to share the information it contains through a multitude of social media applications like Facebook, Digg, Google + and Twitter,' said ACMA Chairman Chris Chapman.

Only three months to go to ILLW

As the International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend approaches in August it is New South Wales that has taken the Australian leadership of the event with its12 entries so far.

Many thanks to the clubs and individuals in more than 30 countries who have entered the 15th year of the fun event, which puts on air the old era of navigation.

In Australia the order is second placed VK7 on eight registrations, followed by VK3, VK4, VK5 and VK6.

Other nations with early high numbers of registration include Germany, USA, England and The Netherlands who are among about 30 countries with 210 entries.

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend is on August the 18th and 19th. Check it out and register by visiting the website illw.net

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

BROLGA ON THE AIR

This coming week is Education week in Queensland. The Caboolture Special School Amateur Radio Club station is in the finals of the Educational Queensland 2012 Regional Showcase Awards in the Community or Industry Partnerships category. With an inside look here is Ray VK4CF

The Awards, are to be presented in Maryborough, this Thursday the 24th May at the Brolga Theatre from 1.30 pm -3.30 pm.

In 2007, The Caboolture Special School established its Amateur Radio Club Station (VK4HBU) to build students vocational literacy, numeracy, communication, team, social individual and community capacities and it has been a great success. The students are using amateur radio to improve their oral communication capacity by either in a listening capacity by using a range of radio equipment or by talking on a range of radio equipment in a variety of contexts. They have been able to transfer these skills to other radio and communication contexts including Community Radio 101.5FM, the local Rural Fire Service, Moreton Bay Regional Council Workshop, and a current project is the establishment of a Digital Streaming Radio Station for the Caboolture Historical Village.

The club using the callsign, VK4HBU, will be setting up a portable station in the theatre and using 2 metres and available HF frequencies to show the application of amateur radio to some 200 state school principals, parents and other invited guests. Peter, VK4HOY from the Caboolture special School, Brian, VK4FBAD from the Caboolture Club and myself, Ray, VK4CF, will be manning the station with students from the Caboolture special school.

If you hear the station, could you spend a few minutes talking to the students, or if you are in the local area please call in and meet the crew.

WIA
President Michael Owen VK3KI president@wia.org.au
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At the Annual Conference each year the WIA conducts an Open Forum, where those present are invited to raise issues for discussion relating to the WIA and amateur radio in general.

Updates and reports on the WIA's activities are also presented for comment.

This year, taking advantage of our website's new "member's only" access function, the WIA is pleased to present these reports to all members in advance of the meeting. WIA members can access the Reports from the website, using their online password, established by following the steps outlined on our website at https://www.wia.org.au/members/details/

If you have any submissions you would like raised at the Open Forum, but are unable to attend personally, you should contact the WIA Manager, Mal Brooks VK3FDSL, by email by next Tuesday, May 22nd on
malb@wia.org.au

Clubs are the backbone of organised Amateur Radio in any given location.

Although it's entirely possible to live a full and busy Amateur Radio life outside of a club, there are many reasons why joining and participating in a club are beneficial to you.

There is evidence that a person who has social capital will fare better in terms of their enjoyment of life and in their mental health.

What is social capital? It's pretty easy - you've probably worked it out already. It's the things you do together with other people, the clubs and groups that you participate in, and the friends and family that you engage with regularly.

So even before we look at the benefits to Amateur Radio, especially your Amateur Radio career, having social capital puts you in a good position to enjoy a socially healthy life.

Now let's look at clubs. By participating in a club, you get to share your own experiences and knowledge, and at the same time benefit from others sharing the same things.

A group of people working together in a club setting can bring about some great results that individuals would find it hard to achieve.

In these days of increasing restrictions on what we as Amateurs can do in our own backyards, we can look to Clubs to provide a shack and have a decent crop of antennas. Where your Amateur Radio activities may be restricted at home, in the club setting you're back in the good old days.

So there are lots of perfectly acceptable self-centred reasons for being a member of an Amateur Radio Club and a load of other reasons to be part of a sharing community.

So if you've not considered joining a club, or you've fallen away from club membership and wondering why your Amateur Radio life has dulled down, stop awhile and consider or reconsider your local clubs.

The Wireless Institute of Australia supports Amateur Radio Clubs by advertising them on its website, making affordable club insurance available, giving space in the Amateur Radio Magazine for club reports and activities, and the Club Grant Scheme.

I'm Bob VK6POP

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

Over last weekend the 12/13th of May Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club ran a Foundation Course weekend and all 7 candidates passed! Congratulations to Tayla, Kiera, Brenden, Andrew, Mick, Nigel and Chris and we look forward to hearing you on air soon.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Next Sunday, the 27 th, ARNSW will be holding the regular bi-monthly Trash & Treasure at the VK2WI Dural site starting round 9 am.

Also in the morning are the regular assessment for all license grades. In the early afternoon the Radio Home Brew and Experimenters group have their meeting with a lecture by Jim Omeros VK2LC on Software Defined radios.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Communications Support, your help is needed.

Towards the end of May and well into June Hams in North Queensland look like having a bumper number of Comms Support Events happening. Help is needed in providing sufficient manning for the events - family and support crews are also welcome to go along! Contact Gavin VK4ZZ.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Coffee Mornings

We are told a VERY regular ham meet is informal coffee mornings each Monday and Friday at Friends Cafe in Jimmy's complex of Charles Street, Launceston. Start time is 10.30 and it runs until 11.30am.

WIA - AGM ACTIVITY UP IN THE AIR

Hello, this is Grant, VK5GR for the Project Horus Balloon team, with some news about our forth-coming amateur radio High altitude balloon flight being staged as part of the Wireless Institute of Australia's AGM Convention next Sunday, May 27th.

Lift off is planned for 8-9 ish AEST from Mildura in NW victoria.
The primary payload planned for this flight is a full cross band 2m/70cm voice repeater.

This will be the first time the HORUS balloon repeater is accessible from 5 states and 4 capital cities at the same time. At apogee, the footprint will extend to cover VK1, VK2, VK3, VK5 and VK7, including the cities of Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney and Canberra. The radio horizon will extend some 800km radius from the balloon covering some 2,000,000 sqkm of SE Australia.

You can access the repeater on 438.9 MHz using a 123Hz CTCSS tone, and you can listen to the downlink on 147.500MHz. APRS will also fly under the callsign VK5ARG-11 as will our standard 300baud RTTY telemetry beacon on 434.075MHz.

Project leader Terry VK5VZI, and all of the Project Horus team hope to hear as many amateurs as possible making use of the repeater during this flight. We also look forward to meeting those who attend the WIA Convention in Mildura at our presentation during the Saturday lecture sessions. You can also find out more about the project by looking at our website

projecthorus.org

73's from Grant VK5GR for Project Horus

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Shenzhen's first Maker Faire

The first Maker Faire to be held in China took place in April, classes teaching soldering proved especially popular.

In recent years there been a massive upsurge of interest in electronic home construction with Hacker Spaces and Maker Faires springing up across the UK, the USA, Japan and even one here in VK.

The phenomena has also spread to China with a Mini Maker Faire being held in the Shenzhen special economic zone last month. The event attracted visitors from overseas as well as the Hacker Space in Beijing.

60 metre consultation

As of May 12th, Industry Canada began the consultation process to see final approval for the use of six channels on the 60 metre band.

As part of the consultation, Industry Canada is seeking input on five items and Radio Amateurs of Canada, the RAC, feels it is important for amateur radio operators to comment on this proposal and indicate their preference for the rules governing the frequencies going forward.

ON 0 EME 1296 MHz Moon bounce Beacon

This is possibly the first amateur radio beacon to beam signals off the Moon. Its aim is to encourage people to try and receive EME signals.

According to a report in "432 and Above, EME News," the idea started in Sweden during the EME meeting in May 2011. After about 11 months of intensive work the beacon ON 0 EME started transmitting on 1296.000 MHz in the direction of the Moon.

ON 0 EME's total EIRP is about half a megawatt.

The antenna is a solid 3.7 m dish and it is active when the Moon is >10°
at its location.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

ANACAPA HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON SOARS TO NEAR 112000 FEET

We're not sure if it's a new world altitude record for a ham radio equipped high altitude balloon, but members of the Anacapa Near Space Exploration Club at California's Anacapa School are celebrating the recent success of their second near space probe. One that reached an altitude of almost 112,000 feet. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the rest of the story:

Balloon launch team: "5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1 - Go!!"

That's the sound of a group of teenage near-space adventurers lofting a high altitude balloon that would soon soar above California's central coast and then eastward toward the states central valley.

Called Anacapa Amateur High-Altitude Balloon 2, a student team from the Anacapa School launched two payload capsules tethered to a weather balloon on Saturday, May 5th. Equipped with GPS, atmospheric sensors, high-definition video and still cameras, a television transmitter and a Geiger counter, the payload downlinked live data, video and images during its ascent.

Anacapa Amateur High-Altitude Balloon 2 was designed and built entirely by students that included Alex Carlson, KJ6UGF and Genevieve Hatfield, KJ6UGH. They along with non-hams

Grayson Baggiolini, Julio Bernal and Christian Eckert made up the construction and launch team that was under the supervision of faculty advisor Levi Maaia, K6LCM.

K6LCM: "Two years ago in September of 2010, one of my students, Connor Proctor and I got together and were talking about some of the headlines we had seen on-line about high altitude balloons and decided that it would be a neat project to bring to the Anacapa School in Santa Barbara. So we brought it to the Head Master of the school and said we want to do this. He said what an awesome idea and was behind us 110% as we sought funding for the project and put together a small team of students to spearhead the first launch."

As the balloon climbed through the thinning air, the decreasing atmospheric pressure caused it to expand nearly ten times in diameter. On reaching its apex above California's Central Valley, the balloon burst, sending the payload back to mother Earth under the canopy of a small parachute. By reaching an altitude of 111,814 feet, this flight shattered the record of the group's own first balloon flight by more than 20,000 feet.

Over the coming weeks the students expect to thoroughly document the flight and analyse the collected data. More information, including photos and a condensed version of the in-flight video can be found online at www.anacapaschool.org/ansec

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

And less we forget to mention, the student group has been working on this high altitude ham radio balloon project since September of 2011.

7O6T YEMEN OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC OVER PROTESTS OF ISRAELI HAMS

Over complaints that were voiced on QRZ.com and other public websites by some Israeli hams, the ARRL DXCC Awards Desk has approved the current 7O6T operation from Yemen for DXCC credit.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is here with more:

A small but vocal number of Israeli hams have been arguing on-line that the 7O6T from Yemen should not be allowed for DXCC because the operators refused to make contact with 4X and 4Z prefix hams. They note that Israel has no banned countries list and as such refusal of the 7O6T

operators to contact them was at least a
violation of the principals and the spirit of the DXCC program.

While it's true that Israel has no banned
countries list, many of its neighbours consider
themselves technically in a state of war with the
Jewish state and have been since its creation
through partitioning following World War 2. As
such these nations ban hams operating under their
jurisdiction from making contact with their counterparts in Israel.

The 7O6T operation reportedly has the support of
Yemen's Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of
Information, the Ministry of Radio and the
Ministry of Telecommunications and Information
Technology. As such it is a pretty good guess
that not recognizing Israeli stations was a
decree imposed by Yemen on the 7O6T operating
team and not one of their own choosing.

At airtime, it's not known if any of the
protesting Israeli hams contacted the ARRL DXCC
Desk regarding this issue of if it was just
another of those cyberspace only
arguments. Either way it came to an abrupt end
on Saturday, May 5th. That's when ARRL Awards
Branch Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, issued a news
release stating that the current 7O6T operation
from Yemen along with the earlier 6O3A DXpedition
to Somalia have been granted DXCC approval. As
such, both will be counted for DXCC credit.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

The 7O6T adventure began at 2100 UTC Monday, April 30th and had been causing
massive pile-ups wherever the operators show up. It continued through
2100 UTC on May 15th.

Up until this operation began, Yemen was ranked
as number 5 in the DX Magazine's list of most
wanted entities behind North Korea, plus Navassa, Bouvet and Heard Islands.

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RSGB

WAB awards for Olympic Flame stations

The Worked All Britain Awards Group has organised special awards to coincide
with the passage of the Olympic Flame around the country.

Various clubs around the UK will be operating from locations along the route
used by the Torch Bearers for that particular day. They will use callsigns
G4WAB and G7WAB.

The main call will be G4WAB, the exceptions for this being Shetland and Orkney, Jersey and Guernsey, when both callsigns will be used the same day.

There will be Bronze, Silver and Gold versions of the award, depending on the number of stations worked. Full details of the cost, route and club stations are available on the WAB website.

worked-all-britain.co.uk

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX, BEACON, REPEATER AND NET ADVICE

John VK3KM has advised free scripts to load the WIA repeater list into your VHF/UHF radio are available

Steve Ireland VK2MD has written four useful utilities in VB Script that will load and manipulate the WIA Repeater data file.

The first script simply prints the repeater list to a console window and is meant as a training exercise.

The next one verifies the WIA repeater data file for any consistency.

A third script converts the binary file into a format that can be imported directly into the ICOM ID880 using the free ICOM CS-80/880 Software.

The last one converts the binary file into a format that can be imported directly into the many radios that are supported by Chirp.

A "Read Me" file is included with the downloadable zip file that describes in detail how to run the scripts, and the scripts themselves are fully commented for those who want to write their own utilities. Also included within the zip file are sample output files that are pre-cooked and ready to use.

The scripts will run on most Microsoft Windows operating systems (XP onwards) and can be downloaded from the Repeater Update page on the WIA web site.

(text only edition)

As we heard a lil earlier, ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reported that the current 7 O 6 T DXpedition to Yemen and the February 2012 6 O 3 A DXpedition to Somalia have been approved for DXCC credit.

BUT if you had cards that were recently rejected for the 6 O 3 A operation, please resend an e-mail (dxcc@arrl.org) to the ARRL DXCC Desk."

(arrl letter)

European Football Championship 2012 on the AIR

EFC 2012 is an on-the-air activity which promises to be a great deal of fun, organized by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs affiliated with PZK and UARL.

>From June 1st to July 5th 2012, there will be numerous special event stations active on the air. They will be operating concurrently with the 2012 European Football Championship, which this year is organized jointly by Poland and Ukraine.

There are two awards which can be earned during this period, as well as many interesting QSL cards and prizes.

More detailed information be found on website http://efc2012.pzk.org.pl

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Brothers ZB3M and ZB2ER are using the special calls ZQ3M and ZQ2ER from Gibraltar through June 10th. This, to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

ZS6RGV is the new radio operator on the Marion Island base. His equipment includes an Icom IC-736 transceiver and FL-7000 amplifier. ZS1HF is going to help him with applying for a ZS8 call and will act as his QSL manager.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

The April issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports on a mysterious 'X' signal from Israel on 7000 kHz causing interference to the 40m amateur radio band.

It also reports on the success of Chris G4BOH in getting the Ofcom Baldock monitoring station to send an official complaint to the Tajikistan PTT regarding Radio Tajik on 14295 kHz (harmonic from 4765 kHz).

The International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1
April 2012 newsletter can be read at:-

http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/news2012/news1204.pdf

(southgate)

RADIO MYANMAR INTERFERENCE ON 40 METERS

The South African Radio League HAMNET reports that Radio Myanmar has been found to be broadcasting illegally on 7,110 MHz. The station is transmitting using full carrier AM from 15:30 UTC every day and is causing interference on the emergency communications frequency.

Steps are being taken to issue a formal objection but this takes time and the correct procedures need to be followed. Meantime, South Africa's Hamnet emergency communications response group has sent an official complaint directly to Radio Myanmar and requested that it move frequency.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

A bit of a milestone Sunday last in VK2.

A new transceiver replaced the old unit on 20 metres which enabled news call-backs to again be taken after a gap of many years.

It was not pre announced and only mentioned as call-backs were about to be taken that vk2wi would take 20 metre call-backs.

This brought 8 out of the woodwork, interstate as well as local,
1 here in VK3;
1 down in VK7
2 in VK4 all indicating they have an audience beyond the borders.

As an aside, this WIA year we will have our highest ever number of call backs reads etc., 120,000 plus!

Some 40,000 of those are RF check-ins.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

Famous TARC Foxhunt happening soon

If you are in the vicinity of the Townsville Region on Saturday June 30th and want to get involved in a Foxhunt then Tony VK4TJS wants to hear from you.

Action will get underway at a secret starting point from 2pm.

There will be activities for all family members to participate in during the Foxhunt and things will end up with some in-flight catering. To cater for the event Tony needs to know your attendance numbers no later than

Tuesday 26th June.

Who do you have to call ?

Tony VK4TJS of course

07 4774 0582

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

First VK 10GHz EME DIGI Record Established

Rex VK7MO and Alan VK3XPD are pleased to report on completing a QSO on 10 GHz EME with at one end a small portable station as would be used on field days. This result was achieved by taking advantage of predicted low libration spreading so that the narrow bandwidth mode JT65c could be employed, by using a program to automatically correct for Doppler and by using the Deep Search averaging function of WSJT.

Lunar Libration is the slow rocking back and forth of the Moon as viewed from Earth, permitting an observer to see slightly different halves of the surface at different times.

A feature of 10 GHz signals on EME is that while they vary significantly on a short term basis with glints of a second or so the average signal to noise varies only a dB or so between periods, over several periods, and this steady S/N is useful for signal averaging.

Alan VK3XPD's equipment was a 10 ft Dish with linear horizontal polarisation and an 80w travelling wave tube transmitter and a DB6NT receiver pre-amp into an IF receiver - FT817. The transverter, multiplier & GPS Locked Oscillator is a totally Aussie design by Graham - VK3XDK.

Rex VK7MO's equipment was a 64 cm TVRO offset Dish with linear horizontal polarisation and a DB6NT amplifier with 8 watts to the feed. Rex also used a DB6NT pre-amp and transverter. The IF receiver was an IC-910-H

A big congratulation to both Rex and Alan on this great achievement

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura

MAY 26 VK3 MDRC Hamfest Southern Community Centre, Mulgrave 10am

MAY 26 VK4 BARCFEST (a hamfest) Mt Gravatt Showgrounds 9am.

JUN 8-11 VK4 cancelled ! FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast CANCELLED!!!!!!!!!

JUN 9-10 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club field day Port Macquarie.

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

WIA Annual Conference Mildura

May 25th, 26th and 27th 2012

Details for the WIA 2012 Annual Conference being held in Mildura are on wia.org.au

Host club is Sunraysia Radio Group, led by Garry Briant VK3KYF and Noel Ferguson VK3FI.

WIA Members who register for the event will be able to participate in a range of fascinating and memorable activities.

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

768. eHam.net News for Friday 18 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-18 22:07:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bffa29df3a104c056c514@google.com>
Source record: 3035
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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New RSGB General Manager:

Posted: 17 May 2012 06:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28319

In November last year we informed our membership of the financial and organisational challenges that faced the RSGB and presented our vision for the future of the Society. Your Board has been working on developing that strategy and is in the process of building financial, operational and governance models in preparation for consultation with staff, volunteers and members.

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Olympic Games: Temporary Operating Restrictions:

Posted: 17 May 2012 06:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28318

The London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games will place unprecedented demands on the radio spectrum in locations where there is already significant use of the spectrum resource. The Government has guaranteed to the International Olympic Committee that arrangements will be made to allocate the necessary radio frequencies for the organisation of the Games. Ofcom has worked closely with the Government and other spectrum users to meet the Games requirements with minimum disruption to other users. Ofcom has identified a need to have short term access to certain segments within bands to which Radio Amateurs have secondary access. Ofcom has been working with the Radio Society of Great Britain to ensure that Games requirements can be met in some of these shared bands, while maintaining enough spectrum for Amateurs to continue to use. There are segments within several Amateur bands which Ofcom plans to assign to support the 2012 Games and their preparation; some use will also continue for a short time after the Games to support decommissioning of venues. This use will be in geographically limited areas between 28th June 2012 and 23rd September 2012. The frequencies affected are segments of the 70cm band, and 2.390 - 2.400 GHz and 3.41 3.44 GHz.

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CQ Announces 2012 Hall of Fame Inductees:

Posted: 18 May 2012 05:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28317

(Dayton, OH - May 18, 2012) -- CQ magazine today announced its 2012 Hall of Fame inductees, celebrating the 45th anniversary of the CQ DX Hall of Fame with three new members, along with two new inductees into the CQ Contest Hall of Fame and 16 new members of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

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CQ Introduces Industry Newsletter: CQ Industry Insider:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28316

Hicksville, NY - May 16, 2012) -- CQ Communications, Inc., today announced the launch of the CQ Industry Insider, an e-mail newsletter for the hobby radio industry. The newsletter will report on news and trends in the amateur radio, scanning and listening marketplace, as well as company news and announcements, marketing tips and an idea exchange for spotlighting concepts for new products and services. The first issue was sent out this week.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #20:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28315

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by 7X2DD, JH1BXH, NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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Former ARRL Vice Director Jim Mozley, W2BCH (SK):

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28314

James M. Mozley, W2BCH, who served as Vice Director of the ARRL Atlantic Division from 1986-89, died May 13 at age 89 at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Syracuse, New York. A long-time resident of Camillus, New York, Jim was active in the ARRL Western New York Section as an Assistant Section Manager and as an Official Emergency Station. He also served as an Official Observer from 1991 through 2004.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28313

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, Invites Input for 2014 ARRL Centennial:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28312

The ARRL will celebrate its centennial in 2014, and is already making plans to commemorate the highlights of the League's first century and looking forward to what the second century may bring. But it's your League and your centennial. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, invites all ARRL members to provide suggestions to help make this once-in-a-lifetime event truly special.

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ARRL Responds to FCC Request for Comments on Impediments to Communications:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28311

On Wednesday, May 16, 2012, the ARRL filed comments in response to the FCC's Public Notice seeking comments on Emergency Communications by Amateur Radio and impediments to Amateur Radio communications.

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New 'PRB-1' Law Now In Effect in Ohio:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28310

On May 15, Ohio Governor John Kasich signed a bill into law granting comprehensive rights to Amateur Radio operators in that state. Several key players in the successful effort to enact a "PRB-1" law in Ohio were present for the signing, including Section Manager Frank J. Piper, KI8GW; Rick Swain, KK8O; Bill Carpenter, AA8EY; Steve Katz, N8WL, and Constance Barsky, WD8ODC. ARRL Great Lakes Division Director James Weaver, K8JE, was also at the signing.

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Dayton Hamvention Starts May 18:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28309

Thousands of ham radio operators from around the world are converging on Dayton, Ohio for this weekend's Hamvention. The theme: Internationally Connected.

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Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Pai Sworn In as FCC Commissioners:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28308

On Monday, May 14, Jessica Rosenworcel, and Ajit Pai, were sworn in by FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski as FCC Commissioners. For the first time in almost a year, the Commission is once again at full strength.

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ARRL Microwave Band Planning Committee Releases Draft Band Plans:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28307

The ARRL UHF-Microwave Band Plan Committee has released for comment its draft band plan for 13 cm (2.3/2.4 GHz) and welcomes comments on it. The amended draft band plan for 902-928 MHz (33 cm) has also been released.

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Get Ready for the Launch of the Digital Version of QST:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28306

We are excited about being able to offer ARRL members access to a brand-new digital edition of QST. We expect to launch the digital edition on or about May 23. If you have checked the Notification box on your Member Profile, you will be notified by e-mail as soon as the digital edition becomes available. As a bonus, ARRL members will also have access to the digital archive -- the digital editions beginning with the January 2012 issue.

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Nominations Invited for 2012 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award:

Posted: 17 May 2012 04:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28305

The ARRL is now accepting nominations for the 2012 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award.

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NZ4O HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

Posted: 17 May 2012 03:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28304

The NZ4O "Daily" Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast has been published on Wednesday May 17, 2012 at 1600 UTC and is valid for the next 24 hours.

769. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 19 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-19 06:21:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bfb244fa04f04c05dafb3@google.com>
Source record: 3036
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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BANGOR HAMFEST

Posted: 18 May 2012 06:16 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346637-BANGOR-HAMFEST&goto=newpost

Announcing the 25th Annual Bangor Hamfest on June 2 at Hermon High School, Hermon, Maine. Gates open at 6:30 for tailgaters and 8:00 AM for all others. Admission $5.00/kids under 12 free.

Planned features:

The Ham Band

VE Exams for all classes at 9:00AM

Exhibits and demonstrations

Dealers

High-altitude balloon launch with cross-band repeater, APRS and video

R/C Airplanes demo

On-site fox hunt

QSL Award checking

Prize drawings

Contact Jerry Burns, K1GUP

207-848-3400 or k1gup@roadrunner.com

770. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 19 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-19 16:05:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba201df923a04c065d6ba@google.com>
Source record: 3037
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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E40VB

Posted: 19 May 2012 03:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346742-E40VB&goto=newpost

Worked Vlad E40VB/UA4WHX the other day on 10M RTTY, but can not find an online log or anyway to confirm the contact. His QRZ.Com info say the best way to QSL is direct via Paypal. But there is no Paypal information.

Does anyone have any information that might help me confirm this contact?

Thanks for the help,

Sal N2LWD

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Balloon, crossband 145.587,5 - 439.512,5 Mhz from Poland...

Posted: 17 May 2012 05:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346492-Balloon-crossband-145-587-5-439-512-5-Mhz-from-Poland&goto=newpost

26th May loc. time 12:00 start balloon (crossband 145.587,5 - 439.512,5 Mhz) from Poland.

http://pzk.org.pl/news.php?readmore=2291 (in polish)

771. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 19 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-19 16:35:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396a0a09fc7e04c06642f7@google.com>
Source record: 3038
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Yaesu's Newest Transceiver The FTdx3000

Posted: 19 May 2012 05:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346757-Yaesu-s-Newest-Transceiver-The-FTdx3000&goto=newpost

As of this date, May 19, 2012 the FT-DX3000 has NOT been approved by the FCC for

sale. Once the radio has received FCC approval and pricing has been announced,

you will be advised right here on the Fox Tango Users Group.

Join us on the Fox Tango Users Group

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Yaesu_...0_Users_Group/

(editor note: see brochure here:
http://www.hamradio.com/documents/2012.5_FTDX-3000.pdf)

Yaesu's Newest Rig for 2012

HF/50 MHz 100 W Transceiver, the FTDX3000 has only one receiver, a high speed Spectrum Scope is built into the radio. When in the Auto Mode, the Spectrum Scope display is updated in real time. The 3.5-inch wide color LCD displays the operating information and the status of

the transceiver functions, with high resolution (480 x 272 dots) on the screen and The 32 bit high speed floating decimal DSP.

Best Regards

Carol Maher W4CLM

Club Admin http://www.foxtango.org

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CQ announces 2012 Hall of Fame inductees

Posted: 19 May 2012 04:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346753-CQ-announces-2012-Hall-of-Fame-inductees&goto=newpost

CQ announces 2012 Hall of Fame inductees

CQ magazine has announced its 2012 Hall of Fame inductees, celebrating the 45th anniversary of the CQ DX Hall of Fame with three new members, along with two new inductees into the CQ Contest Hall of Fame and 16 new members of the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The 2012 inductees (listed alphabetically) are:

George Badger, W6TC (SK), expert in tubes and tube circuit designs; executive of Eimac and later President of Svetlana

Bill Brown, WB8ELK - "Father" of amateur radio high-altitude ballooning

Robert Brown, NM7M (SK) - Expert on 160-meter propagation, author and retired physics professor

Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR - Chair of the Miami "Tropical Hamboree" hamfest for 45 years; ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director, Honorary Vice President

Richard Garriott, W5WKQ ☐ Younger half of first U.S. father-son team to travel in space. (His father is Owen Garriott, W5LFL, the first astronaut to operate amateur radio from space, and a 2001 Amateur Radio Hall of Fame inductee.)

William W. Hansen (no call)(SK), "Father of Microwave Electronics"

Richard Kirby, ex-W0LCT/HB9BOA (SK) - Director of the ITU's International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR) from 1974 to 1995

Fred Maia, W5YI (SK) - One of the architects of VE program, first FCC-designated VEC; editor/publisher W5YI Report; long-time CQ columnist

Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML - Communications Director, New York City Marathon, 1976-present; former ARRL First Vice President, Director

Larry Mulvehill, WB2ZPI - Photojournalist who has covered major news events around the world for more than 50 years; CQ cover photographer for over 30 years

Rowley Shears, G8KW (SK) - Founder of KW Electronics in UK; helped re-establish amateur radio in Germany after World War II

Mike Staal, K6MYC - Antenna expert, co-founder of KLM and M2 Antennas

Frederick Terman (ex-6FT, W6AE, W6XH) (SK) - Microwave pioneer, partner with William Hansen (see above)

Patrick Tice, WA0TDA - Manager, Courage HandiHam System; for more than 20 years

Louis Varney, G5RV (SK) - Inventor of the G5RV antenna

William A. Wilson, K6ARO (SK) - First U.S. Ambassador to the Vatican after formal diplomatic relations were re-established in 1984 after more than a century

CQ DX and Contest and DX Halls of Fame

The CQ DX and Contest Halls of Fame honor those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of amateur radio but who also "give back" to the hobby in outstanding ways. The CQ DX Hall of Fame, founded in 1967, celebrates its 45th anniversary this year.

The 2012 inductees to the CQ DX Hall of Fame are:

Don Chesser, W4KVX (SK) - Pioneering DXer and DXpeditioner; founder of DX magazine

Glenn Johnson, W0GJ - A leading DXpedtioner, leading many teams, often to very rare countries; personally responsible for restoring amateur radio in Bhutan in 2000

Carl Smith, N4AA - Editor and publisher of DX magazine and the weekly "QRZ DX" bulletin. Also CQ's DX Editor and leader of effort to create Southern Appalachian Radio Museum.

The 2012 inductees to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame are:

Jim Reisert, AD1C - Maintains and constantly updates the country and prefix files that are depended upon by virtually all of the major contest and general logging programs, as well as software for the major DX clusters.

Lothar Wilke, DL3TD (SK) - Leading contester and promoter of contesting in Germany; under his leadership, DA0HQ won the IARU World Championship 11 times.

Formal inductions to the CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame were scheduled for the Dayton Hamvention.® More detailed descriptions of inductees will appear in the official announcement in the July 2012 issue of CQ magazine

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QSO Radio Show Live From The Dayton Hamvention 2012

Posted: 18 May 2012 02:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346624-QSO-Radio-Show-Live-From-The-Dayton-Hamvention-2012&goto=newpost

Broadcasting Live

The QSO Radio Show will be on the air live

from the 2012 Dayton Hamvention

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

May 18-20

10 am till 2 pm Friday and Saturday CDT

10 am till 12 pm Sunday SCT

On WTWW 9990 KHZ and WBCQ 9330 KHZ

Live from booth 403

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NZ4O "Daily" Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted: 17 May 2012 02:09 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346561-NZ4O-quot-Daily-quot-Condensed-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast&goto=newpost

The NZ4O "Daily" Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast has been published on Wednesday May 17, 2012 at 1600 UTC and is valid for the next 24 hours.

If you would like to send a donation to support my daily and once per week MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) radiowave propagation forecast it would be much appreciated. You can go to http://www.solarcycle24.org slide down a bit on the web page and click on the Paypal donate button.

FORECASTED GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

BAND DAY-NIGHT

80, 60, 40, 30 Meters: Poor-Fair To Good

20, 17, 15 Meters: Good-Fair

12, 10 Meters: Fair To Good-Poor

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS- Low Latitude- Low Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Low Normal

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS-

Low Latitude- Low Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Low Normal

NORTHERN HEMISPHERE 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

NORTHERN HEMISPHERE 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

NORTHERN HEMISPHERE 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

From the Northern Hemisphere-

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial HF propagation conditions greater than

2000 mi/3200 km will be FAIR on 80, 60, 40 and 30 meters, FAIR TO GOOD on 20, 17, 15 and POOR TO FAIR on 12 and 10 meters.

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Excellent S9+1 Or Better

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Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

GLOBAL 50-54 MC (6 Meters) PROPAGATION MODES EXPECTED FORECAST-

F2- None

Sporadic E (Es)- Yes

Aurora E High Latitude- Yes

Aurora E Mid Latitude- No

Troposphere Ducting- Yes

Trans Equatorial (TE) F2/F3- Yes

Meteor Scatter- No, excluding random meteors, lightning bolt plasma channels, space junk and alien spacecraft

Meter Band Equivalents

Ham SWL

160 90

80 75

60 60

40 49, 41

30 31, 25

20 22, 19

17 16, 15

15 13

12, 10 11

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast:

http://www.solarcycle24.org

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Quartzfest info at Dayton Hamvention

Posted: 17 May 2012 10:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346534-Quartzfest-info-at-Dayton-Hamvention&goto=newpost

Have you ever met Fred Lloyd AA7BQ, founder and owner of QRZ.com? Fred
Lloyd at the mic-cropped.jpgWould you like to? If your answer is yes, then
you'll want to drop by and see me at Joe, WB2JKJ's booths 1336/1337/1338

www.wb2jkj.org at Dayton Hamvention this weekend so I can tell you all about Quartzfest* 2013 where Fred and the "Zed" P1010004.JPGwill be joining us again next January 15th - 25th.

If there's interest in a Quartzfest* get together in Dayton this weekend, drop me a note " organizer@quartzfest.org " ...or stop by the booth and let's make it happen. At the ARRL Southwestern Division Convention in Yuma this past February, with only about 1 days notice, we were able to throw together an impromptu gathering where 50 HAM's showed up for an evening Weiner roast.

If you're not able to make it to Hamvention this year, please drop by our website www.quartzfest.org and see what Quartzfest is all about.

I'll give you a hint though...it's an educational 10 day long RV campout for Amateur Radio Operators, and, to my knowledge, the only gathering like it in the world. The 10 days are packed full of Seminars about Amateur Radio, RV'ing, Emergency "Solar" back up power, Emergency Communications Operations, and so much more! We annually hold our Off Road Trip, our Infamous "Hobo Stew", Geocaching, Hidden Transmitter hunting, Antenna Shootout, Antenna Walkabout and Solar Walkabout (where we tour the Quartzfest area checking out unique ideas for installation of antenna's and Solar panels on our RV's) and most importantly, VE testing. We have campfires and coffee each morning where eyeball QSO's are held, Campfires each evening along with evening presentations, movies..or just telling stories around the campfire.

YL's aren't left out at Quartzfest either. Each day we have scheduled crafts, or some other activity for those not interested in the HAM or RV Seminars...

I know I'm leaving a bunch of stuff out..but you get the idea. If you want to escape the frigid north during the winter to attend one of the best and most fun Amateur Radio Events in the U.S., make plans now to join us at Quartzfest* 2013.

I hope to see you here this weekend.

73,

Steve KO4QT (Quick Truck)

organizer@quartzfest.org

Attached Images

Fred Lloyd at the mic-cropped.jpg
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Malaysian amateur radio league (marl)

Posted: 16 May 2012 09:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346468-Malaysian-amateur-radio-league-(-marl-)&goto=newpost

Malaysian Amateur Radio League (MARL) has been registered yesterday - May 16th, 2012. It is an effort on a body unifying and representing all amateur radio associations in Malaysia. Members are amateur radio associations only. MARL is an organization designed to represent and voice out the interest and opinion of all Malaysian amateur radio assignment holders. It is an approach modeling on Communications & Multimedia Act 1998 requirements on formation of industry forums.

I am pleased to inform that the Protem Committee of MARL are:

President : Y.A.M Tengku Sri Temengung Raja D.K, S.S.M.T, Y.A.M Dato' Seri Tengku Baharuddin Ibni AlMahrum Sultan Mahmud Al Muktafi Billah Shah (9M2TBM)

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Asst. Administrative Secretary : Mohd Iqbal Bin Mohd Noor (9M2BAL)

Treasurer : Amrun Bin Mamat (9W2HAV) - SQUAD99

Committee :

i. Fahroradzi Bin Ibrahim (9W2BBS) MARES

ii. Marzuki Bin Saad (9M2MZ) - Kedah HF

iii. Jamaludin Bin Mat Akhir (9W2BDS) - KSRAC

iv. Khairul Asyraf Bin Jaafar (9W2CRO) - MERACC

v. Mohamad Alawi Bin Md Noor (9W2AWQ) - AKRAB

vi. Abu Hashim Bin Nordin (9W2AHJ) - SIK AMATEUR

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Easily access MARL Facebook page, bookmark us at www.facebook.com/MsianAmateurRadioLeague

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Two Video Streams from Dayton Hamvention

Posted: 15 May 2012 10:25 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346354-Two-Video-Streams-from-Dayton-Hamvention&goto=newpost

We made an announcement tonight on Ham Nation.

AmateurLogic.TV and Ham Nation will be streaming live from the Ham Nation booth 106 at Dayton Hamvention thanks to Via Sat. This is our first year to do this so we've got our fingers crossed that all goes well. We have other events at Hamvention to cover so we won't be at the camera full time. We plan to leave the camera up and streaming and do periodic live updates with lot of interesting Hams.

Watch this link for more information about the AmateurLogic.TV / Ham Nation video stream: www.amateurlogic.tv/dayton

Of course Tom Medlin (KB5KUB) will be doing his great annual stream from Dayton as well at www.w5kub.com .

Many thanks to Via Sat for providing the satellite Internet uplink for both streams.

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30 Meter Mobile Beacon Rides Again

Posted: 15 May 2012 06:11 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346342-30-Meter-Mobile-Beacon-Rides-Again&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio is a fun hobby to do some weird experimental things with radio. For the second year Amateur Radio Operators Al Gallo WØERE and David Beckler, aka ☐SAP☐ NØSAP will be operating a 30 Meter Mobile Beacon on 10.129.25. This is our second time using a mobile beacon that will give update information on grid squares during our travel.

Our trip begins on Thursday, May 17th at approximately 1300 hrs UTC or eight o☐clock AM CDST. The rig will be a Yaesu FT-817 running 2 watts with a quarter wave trailing wire made of Litz wire. The wire will be about eight feet high off the front end of the SUV (☐SAP☐ Urban-Assault Vehicle). A Hustler mast with a tri-mag mount and a spring mounted at the top is where the Litz wire attachment is made within the spring. At 58 MPH, the wire launches in the air and generally oscillates in a horizontal

plane from left to right. It does not impede the vehicle behind, as most do not notice the wire dancing in their face.

The message will be WØERE/M/B; the MB is for Mobile Beacon, and then the current grid square 2 wts. On our return trip Monday 21st, we will be on the air at the same time of 1300 hrs until we reach the QTH in Nixa, MO.

Al and ☐SAP☐ will be operating SSB on 7.265 and 14.265 plus or minus 3 Kcs. We look forward having you send us signal reports on the beacon from your location with contacts on SSB, emails at erecom@hotmail.com and/or audio files. Hope to see you in Dayton.

772. SARL News in English 19/5/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-19 19:05:21 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <4D9C4168D93B4DAF8B19C0BA3FE4F271@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 3039
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 20 MAY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 AND 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with a relay on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

To all mothers listening today, we wish you happy mother's day.

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

MORE TIME FOR ZU LICENCEES

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU DID NOT RENEW YOUR LICENCE AND LOST YOUR CALL SIGN

NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY

AMATEUR RADIO ON MARION ISLAND

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SOME MORE TIME FOR ZU LICENSEES OVER 25 TO WRITE THE CLASS A EXAM

ZU Licensees (class B) will have more time to study and write the class A examination. In a discussion with ICASA the agency confirmed that the rule that class B licensees will loose their licence if they are over 25 years old will only apply once the corrections to the regulation, which were published, on 31 March 2011, have been promulgated. After that date holder of ZU licences who are over 25 years old will get two years to qualify for the class A licence.

There is no indication when the revisions will be published. The revised regulations are being held up pending court action by one of the spectrum users which may affect one of the regulations. ICASA's legal department believes that by publishing the amateur radio portion of the regulations separately will jeopardise their case in court.

BEST WISHES TO RTA STUDENTS

Students will be sitting the RAE on Thursday evening. We wish them well and look forward to a record new callsigns on the air soon.

DID NOT RENEW YOUR LICENCE AND LOST YOUR CALLSIGN?

Currently if a person has not paid the license fee, the callsign is cancelled. To reapply ICASA charges the application fee plus any outstanding amount on the account. This is not negotiable unless the person can prove that he/she cancelled the license in writing. A copy of the letter is needed.

The SARL has taken this matter up with ICASA. The Agency confirmed that they are reviewing the process. This may take several weeks. If you in the position that you let your licence lapse, the above procedure is the only one to follow.

RADIO ZS IN THE MAIL

The March - April Edition of Radio ZS is in the mail and available on the web for download by members of the SARL. The edition was delayed due to a change in printer. The printer who has been printing RADIO ZS for the past few years decided to retire and close the business.

The edition is packed with interesting articles. Read about "An Easy HF Field Day Station" by Rob Parkinson, ZS1RAP. Ean Retief ZS1PR's article "Deeltiteleiendomme - Antennas in die solder" will be of great interest for Amateurs living in complexes. Read about "New Amateur Radio Shack at the Institute for the Blind in Worcester". Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, writes about "The ZS-Dipole, a compact, efficient, wide band dipole for 40 m and up and Sydney Smith, ZS1TMJ, takes us back to the valve days with "The BH-NHS 'Rat Trap' Regenerative Receiver".

Dennis Green, ZS4BS, brings us up-to-date with "Amateur Radio on the iPad", a small sample of some of the apps available for the iPad, iPhone and iPod.

Enjoy reading!

If you are not yet a member of the SARL, take up our special offer and get May and June free. For full details call Mariska on Monday at 011 675 2393.

You can also ask for a sample copy of Radio ZS by sending an email to artoday@sarl.org.za with RZS in the subject line.

SHARE YOUR PASSION OF AMATEUR RADIO

Share your passion of amateur radio for two special programmes to be transmitted on National Amateur Radio Day on 16 June. If you are an old timer in Amateur Radio we would like to hear your story and record it for the programme. All you need to do is to send your telephone number (Landlines only) to artoday@sarl.org.za and Hans, ZS6AKV, will call you to record your views on why amateur radio is great.

The second programme is about how young persons experience amateur radio. If you under 25 years old send your telephone details to artoday@sarl.org.za, Hans will call you. Recordings will be done on Thursday evening this week so please respond today or tomorrow.

YOUTH DAY SPRINT

The annual Youth Day Sprint will be held on Saturday 16 June from 10:00 - 12:00 CAT. There are many prizes to be won in this 2 hour 40 metre fun event. Radio Amateurs are encouraged to invite young persons to enjoy the event from their station and top give youngster a hands-on experience of amateur radio. The youth day Sprint is part of the 2012 National Amateur Radio Day. Visit www.sarl.org.za for more details.

AMATEUR RADIO ON MARION ISLAND

Rory Meyer, ZS6RGV, is the new radio technician at Marion Island base, the Daily DX reports. It may be sometime before we hear Rory because he is very busy now helping with the change over from the old team to the new team on the island. Rory has an IC-736 and FL-7000, but does not yet have a ZS8 call sign. Pierre, ZS1HF (ex ZS8M) will be supporting Rory with obtaining a ZS8 call sign and Pierre is planning to be the QSL manager.

DIGITAL MODES ON 40 METRES

The SARL has received a complaint of a ZS6 radio amateur operating DominoEx-4 between 7 058 and 7 060 kHz. Stations using this digital mode must operate between 7 040 and 7 050 kHz. SSB operation starts at 7 053 kHz.

DAYLIGHT METEOR SHOWERS ARE HERE

If you have never experienced any meteor scatter signals on VHF before, then now is your chance to learn something about it. Starting this week the Earth is passing through two intense daylight meteor showers, the Arietids and the Zeta Perseids with hourly rates of 54 and 20 respectively. The first step is to listen for meteor signals from the VHF beacons on 50 MHz, 70 MHz and even on 144 MHz, as the meteor bursts should be audible thoughout the day. Once you can hear the beacon signals then concentrate on 50,200 MHz SSB for any long distance contacts that may peak up to S9, alternatively you could also monitor 70,200 MHz FM. These showers will continue throughout June until beginning of July 2012.

THE SARL ZS4 SPRINT.

This is a fun activity to promote contacts between radio amateurs in the Free State and radio amateurs in Southern African countries. The Sprint is run from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC on Sunday 20 May 2012 and is a phone and CW contest in the 40-metre band.

ZS4 stations will give a RS(T) report and the town name or abbreviation, while other stations will give a RS(T) report and their provincial or country abbreviation. Earn 2 points for working a ZS4

station and one point for a QSO with any other station. ZS4 stations will earn one point for a QSO with a ZS4 station and 2 points per contact outside ZS4. Contacts with the Bloemfontein RAC, ZS4BFN, Vrystaat Radioklub, ZS4B or the Sasolburg ARC, ZS4SRK is worth 5 points each, only one contact per station is allowed

Log sheets shall be submitted by 4 June and can be sent to The Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club, ZS4SRK, PO Box 28194, Sonlandpark, 1944 or by e-mail to riaanzs4pr@gmail.com and copy fwolff@global.co.za

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with sunspots and a new sunspot is emerging on the western limb.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 80.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 10 m not far behind.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Today is National Museum Day: Zululand Radio Amateurs will broadcast from the Nongqayi Fort under callsign ZS5ZLB. The SARL ZS4 sprint from 14:00 to 15:00 UTC. 28 May - Logs for AWA Valve QSO party to be in to andyzs6ady@vodamail.co.za or AWA of Southern Africa, P O Box 12320; Benoryn 1504. 4 June - Logs for the ZS4 Sprint to be in to to The Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club, ZS4SRK, PO Box 28194, Sonlandpark, 1944 or by e-mail to riaanzs4pr@gmail.com and copy fwolff@global.co.za. 16 June - National Amateur Radio day between 09:00 and 16:00 and Youth Day Sprint 10:00 - 12:00 CAT.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 570 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johan Marais, ZU1JM, and edited by George, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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773. eHam.net News for Saturday 19 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-19 22:16:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb940675304c06b0670@google.com>
Source record: 3040
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Prepare for the Big One:

Posted: 18 May 2012 05:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28325

ASTORIA, Ore. (AP) -- The Big One is on Nathan Lee's mind. More than four years after the Great Coastal Gale of 2007, and in the wake of the 2011 Japanese earthquake and tsunami, Lee and a small cadre of amateur radio junkies are preparing for the worst and having a great time doing it. With concerns growing over the dangers posed by the Cascadia Subduction Zone, where shifting tectonic plates pose the risk of creating huge earthquakes along the western seaboard, Lee figures that when the inevitable strikes, people can either be part of the solution or part of the problem. Guess which he is? His Jeep is a mobile radio station for the survivalist set. Resting inside a locked metal briefcase, like a Russian nesting doll, is another locked metal box, all of which is chained to the back seat. Inside is a "terminal node controller," a thin rectangular box that looks like a standard car radio but is actually a special piece of amateur radio equipment used to transmit signals around the globe. His radio-outfitted rig ensures that when Mother Nature turns tempestuous, he and the other members of the Clatsop County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) will have the county covered.

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Weather Emergencies Help Fuel Ham Radio Growth:

Posted: 18 May 2012 05:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28324

The number of licensed amateur radio operators in the U.S. is at an all-time high, in part because of ham radio use during and after severe weather, experts said. The number of amateur radio operators topped 700,000 for the first time in October 2011, according to the American Radio Relay League, a national amateur radio association. New license applications for 2012's first quarter were up 30 percent compared to that period in 2011, the league said.

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Dayton Goes 'Radio Active' This Weekend:

Posted: 18 May 2012 08:43 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28323

DAYTON, Ohio, (WDTN) - Some 20,000 visitors are in Dayton this weekend to attend Hamvention, the largest gathering of amateur radio operators in the world. The only impact on Miami Valley residents may be they notice a few more cars with "extra" antennas on the road, but the event is expected to give a $10 million boost to the local economy. Amateur radio operators, or Hams, flock to Dayton from all parts of the world to attend the event where many manufacturers debut their latest and greatest products. "I came all the way from Spain," said Oriel, who did not wish to give his last name, 'I am here to see the new radios and maybe take one home on the airplane." Hundreds of Hams lined up before the event opened Friday, signaling they are not only diehard hobbyists but also their dedication to the Dayton event. But, with the addition of cell phones, portable tablet devices and widespread internet availability, surly the hobby must be on its way out. "Amateur radio is far from dead," said Allen Pitts with the Amateur Radio Relay League, the national membership organization of amateur operators, "It's not your grandfather's anymore." Pitts says with the addition of digital radio modes and the internet, the hobby has new avenues of expansion. In fact, the Federal Communications Commission, who issues the necessary licenses to Hams, reports it is issuing thousands of licenses each year.

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Amateurs Asked to Listen for HORYU-2 Satellite:

Posted: 18 May 2012 08:46 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28322

The Japanese HORYU-2 research satellite was launched May 17 at 1639 UTC as part of a mission that included the JAXA climate observation satellite Shizuku. HORYU-2 was built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology
(KIT) and it carries the call sign JG6YBW. The satellite will conduct a variety of experiments including high-voltage power generation and space debris measurements.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #20 de K7RA:

Posted: 18 May 2012 08:44 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28321

Look at the archive on spaceweather.com. On the upper right side of the page, it is accessed by selecting a date on the three drop-down fields. Now step day-by-day through the past week to see the progression of a considerable number of sunspots. The spots are in the Daily Sun image on the left side of the page. There was one new sunspot group on May 10, two on May 11, four more on May 13, and another on May 15.

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Win a Free TYT TH-UV3R:

Posted: 18 May 2012 08:47 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28320

With the help of our very generous sponsor, Import Communications (formerly Wouxun.us), we're giving away a
TYT TH-UV3R Dual-Band HT
plus a Free USB Programming Cable!
Shipping to US and Canada included.

774. SEXY VIDEOS YOU MUST SEE MASALA HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-20 01:58:45 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <106c3ed1-c5be-44e9-8ee5-a044b5bcdc70@ra8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3041

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
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SUPER HOT PHOTOS
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YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
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ONLY HOT HOT
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775. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 20 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-20 11:03:17 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303bffa23166cf04c075bbbb@google.com>
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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One month to Field Day

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Each year the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) sponsors Field Day as an emergency preparedness exercise. The event takes place during a 24-hour period on the fourth weekend of June

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Heard Island DXpedition

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After 5 months of planning, Cordell Expeditions is pleased to announce a DXpedition to Heard Island, Territory of Australia, in early 2014

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Special Canadian amateur radio call sign

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6MgLeLdPsrk/vc2cbs30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

VC2CBS30 is the unusual callsign in use by the Sorel-Tracy Amateur Radio Club in Quebec, Canada until 30 May

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What is a Spaceball?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n_24yXgmSGE/what_is_a_spaceball.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This weekend the Bay Area Maker Faire in San Mateo is in full swing. Brian W6BY is there and this video shows his Spaceball azimuth and elevation rotator

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Columbus Ham Radio powered-on

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WrPKSj3wRUk/columbus_ham_radio_powered_on.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A status report video released by NASA for May 14-18 notes that Joe Acaba, KE5DAR, powered on the ham radio in the ESA Columbus module

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Volunteers wanted for RSGB Centenary Working Group

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lwdLNoISSvo/volunteers_wanted_for_rsgb_centenary_working_group.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With the RSGB Centenary now just over 6 months away detailed planning of events to mark the occasion, as well as publicise our hobby to the public, is under way

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kJEn2Py5VTs/may_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with sunspots and a new sunspot is emerging on the western limb

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GB2WPM Mills On The Air video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AVfVOnjswmE/gb2wpm_mills_on_the_air_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is the fourth year the Brigg and District Amateur Radio Club have taken part in this event from the Wrawby Post Mill. The mill was built in 1760, and is located just outside the market town of Brigg in North Lincolnshire

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DXCC approves Yemeni and Somali DXpeditions

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v6zFAsTamzI/dxcc_news_2005.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The recent 7O6T DXpedition to Yemen and the February 2012 6O3A DXpedition to Somalia have both been approved for DXCC credit

776. Re: <MMFC> Re: Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1696 - February 12, 2010

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-20 16:15:36 UTC
From: Mark Morgan <mark@nomail.invalid>
Message-ID: <jpb5b7kvj1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 3043
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

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This account has been banned because it violated the Google
Groups Terms Of Use <laughing@u.kook> wrote in
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ganitals?
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http://ipunce2.blogspot.com
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777. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 20 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-20 16:16:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81e297f25604c07a1c79@google.com>
Source record: 3044
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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May 2012 Run for the Bacon

Posted: 20 May 2012 03:33 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346849-May-2012-Run-for-the-Bacon&goto=newpost

The Flying Pigs QRP Club International's May 2012 Run for the Bacon is tonight at 9:00 pm EDT (2012-05-21 @ 0100-0300 UTC). The rules for the sprint may be accessed at http://fpqrp.org/pigrun/. Check out the Club's homepage at http://fpqrp.org/ for information on becoming a member. Give it a listen and join in the fun! 72/73, Will, NQ2W, FP# 2442

778. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 20th May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-20 20:00:12 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120520200002.F04BB33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3045
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 20th May 2012

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The examination may be held on that day at other centres where warranted by the number of candidates. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form. Please note over half the available places have already been allocated.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May. South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. The callsign is EI2GEO (pending approval). Activity will mainly be on HF. Anyone wishing to get involved should contact the club on info/at/searg.com or phone Mark Wall on 087 630 2026 . For more information about the Geopark, visit www.coppercoastgeopark.com

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North Cork Radio Group

North Cork Radio Group are pleased to announce another 1st time CASHOTA activity. This time we will be activating Barryscourt Castle, East Cork. Barryscourt Castle is the 16th century seat of the Barry family. The present castle, with its largely intact bawn wall and corner towers, is a fine example of an Irish tower house.

We are looking forward to operating from this site on Sunday, 20th May 2012 from 11am to 5pm approximately. As the castle is closed to the public until 24th May, this is a closed event but we look forward to working you on the day.

CASHOTA Activity Weekend 19th & 20th also 26th & 27th May 2012

This annual event is held over 2 weekends to allow individuals to activate or chase castles and stately homes, as well as other historical locations. It is open to any individual, group or club who wish to participate, with both activators and chasers being able to claim their award certificate. Irish castles will count towards the main UK CASHOTA award. The CASHOTA IRELAND AWARD is for working Irish castles in both EI and GI. Anyone intending to work a castle in EI should contact Steve EI5DD to obtain a designated number for the Castle. See requirements an details listed on other pages of this site.

DX News

A multi-national group will operate from the Kingdom of Bhutan from 24 May until 6 June. The callsign will be A5A. They will be active on all bands 80-10m and will take part in the WPX CW Contest during the weekend of 26/27 May.

Freddy, who holds the calls F5IRO and J28RO, is now working in Uganda for several weeks. He has been issued with the local call of 5X5RO and has already been heard on several bands. QSL info is via F8DFP.

Craig MM0SSG is now QRV from Luanda in Angola until around the end of October. . Workwise he is employed on an offshore oil platform but he is active as D2SG when back on land. His QSL manager is GM4FDM.

The well known DX traveller Vlad UA4WHX, who was active earlier this month as JY8VB from Jordan, is now in Palestine. He appeared recently as E40VB but the length of his stay there is unknown.

The DXpedition on Socotra Island (IOTA AF-028) in Yemen went QRT on Tuesday last, with 162,000 QSOs in the log. With Yemen high on the list of most-wanted DXCC entities and the added attraction of a very rare IOTA reference, the pile-ups were huge. There are just over 100 EI call signs in the log: in the lead is John EI7BA with 19 band slots, followed by Thos EI2JD with 16 band slots.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

779. eHam.net News for Sunday 20 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-20 22:11:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396a0a79b54b04c07f1279@google.com>
Source record: 3046
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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It's 'DX-ing', 'Fox Hunting' Time:

Posted: 19 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28329

HAMFEST: Carnival to focus on search and rescue ops: KUALA LUMPUR: WHAT do you do when natural disasters like earthquakes, landslides or floods strike? What if the power is down and all communication is cut off? At the Hamfest festival, an amateur radio opportunity, visitors will be exposed to how to use amateur radio for search and rescue operations in case of an emergency as well as interacting with other amateur radio enthusiasts worldwide. "We want to create awareness of this communication tool and its usefulness. "It becomes the last frontier when other communications are down and the public can learn it when they attend this festival" said event organiser, Azli Paat.

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Hams Return to Dayton for World Event:

Posted: 19 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28328

TROTWOOD, Ohio -- Amateur radio operators from around the world have made their pilgrimage to Hara Arena again this weekend for the 61st Annual Dayton Hamvention. Organizers said that before the event closes its doors Sunday night, over 20,000 people will have stopped at Hara Arena. They said that attendees are expected to spend millions of dollars in the Dayton area over the weekend.

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Techies In Town for Hamvention:

Posted: 19 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28327

TROTWOOD, Ohio (WDTN) - This weekend is the biggest of the year for ham radio fans. Hamvention is one the area's top attractions every year and this year is no different. Thousands of "techies" don their antenna hats and electronic gadgets for a week of networking and buying up radio goodies. One walk around the grounds of Hara Arena and you can feel the waves of radio excitement. There is amateur radio equipment on display, PA systems, handheld radios, hard drives, laptops, you name it it's there.

780. get kelp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-20 23:48:54 UTC
From: kb9rqz <mark@kb9rqz.com>
Message-ID: <9bd8cf54-115b-489b-bf75-886f5746775c@b21g2000yqn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 3047
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,alt.usenet.kooks

On May 20, 12:15 pm, Mark Morgan <m...@nomail.invalid> wrote:
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781. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 21 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 06:16:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81e27b55cd04c085d7d2@google.com>
Source record: 3048
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Quebec provincial Hamfest May 20 2012

Posted: 18 May 2012 09:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346725-Quebec-provincial-Hamfest-May-20-2012&goto=newpost

30th anniversay of the Quebec provinvial hamfest May 20

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A special 30th anniversay calsign VC2CBS30 will be used between May 1 to
May 30 on the following frequencies:

1,930 - 3,730 - 7,030cw 7,230ssb - 14, 130 - 21, 230 - 28,530 - 50,125 -
144.200 - 146.55 fm12 .

A special QSL card will be printed for VC2CBS30.

782. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 20th May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 12:00:14 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120521120003.67F8633C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 3049
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 20th May 2012

The news headlines:

* RSGB appoints new General Manager

* Poland gains two amateur bands

* British amateurs inducted into CQ Hall of Fame

Graham Coomber, G0NBI has been appointed as General Manager of the Radio Society of Great Britain. His role will be to work with the Board to develop and implement the strategic vision and the changes needed to create a financially sound, membership responsive, Society. Graham is an active radio amateur, with interests in both the DX and contesting arenas. He has also worked for RAIBC and has an interest in WAB. He also holds the call SV0XBA.

Poland will soon join the growing number of countries with access to the 70MHz and 3.4GHz bands. From 2200UTC on 31 May, Polish amateurs will have access on a secondary basis to 70.1-70.3MHz and 3400-3410MHz, subject to a 20 watt EIRP power limit.

CQ magazine has announced its 2012 Hall of Fame inductees, celebrating the 45th anniversary of the CQ DX Hall of Fame. The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honours those individuals, whether licensed or not, who have made significant contributions to amateur radio; and those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to amateur radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The 2012 inductees include Richard Garriott, W5WKQ, the younger half of first US father-son team to travel in space. He worked Budbrooke Primary School in the UK from the ISS in 2010. Later that year, he visited the school to meet the pupils involved in the contact. Also honoured are British amateurs Rowley Shears, G8KW, silent key, founder of KW Electronics, who helped re-establish amateur radio in Germany after World War II and Louis Varney, G5RV, silent key, inventor of the G5RV antenna.

Would you like to see your children or grandchildren taking an interest in amateur radio? Then the volunteers of the Direction Finding committee have come up with an event that might interest you. For a child in the age range 8-15, or thereabouts, racing round a forest with a directional radio receiver hunting down hidden transmitters has an exciting appeal. On Sunday 24 June at Swinley Forest, Bracknell, the

ARDF Committee will be running an introduction to DF for young people. The day will comprise some instruction on the use of a DF receiver, the sounds that the hidden transmitters emit and how to measure the bearing of the transmitter and plot this on a map. There will then be a group of four very low power transmitters to locate in a fairly small area by way of practice. This is followed by a full scale course over a distance of 2 to 3km in the beautiful Swinley Forest, part of the Crown Estate. More details were published in the May RadCom. There is a fee of £5 per child. To sign up go to the RSGB shop at www.rsgb.org/YoungPersonsEvent. At the checkout stage the name of an accompanying responsible adult has to be provided, along with contact details for more detailed information.

The Worked All Britain Awards Group has organised a special award to coincide with the passage of the Olympic flame around the country. Various amateur radio clubs around the UK will be operating from locations along the route used by the Torch Bearers for that particular day. They will use the callsigns G4WAB and G7WAB. The main call will be G4WAB, the exceptions for this being Shetland and Orkney, Jersey and Guernsey, when both callsigns will be used on the same day. There will be three versions of the award, depending on the number of stations worked: Bronze, Silver and Gold. The award will be issued as a PDF as standard, with the option of a paper version for those that require it. Full details of the cost, route and club stations are available on the WAB website, www.worked-all-britain.co.uk.

Amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 was successfully launched on 17 May at 1639UTC and its signals have been received around the world. The satellite's callsign is JG6YBW and radio amateurs are asked to listen for the telemetry downlink at 437.375MHz, plus or minus 9kHz Doppler shift. Telemetry is sent using 20wpm Morse or 1200bps AX25 FSK packet. There will be a monthly competition for those who send data received from the telemetry to the KIT server, via the free HORYU-2 telemetry analysis software. Details of the competition and software can be downloaded from http://kitsat.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/ by clicking on the English button. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Dunstable Downs Radio Club Boot Sale takes place today, 20 May, at Stockwood Park, Dunstable. Entrance and car parking is £2 and the event opens at 9am. More information is at www.ddrcbootsale.org.

Advance notice now for the Central Scotland Mini Ham Radio Convention on 2 June. It will be held at Crofthead Farm Community Education Centre, Templar Rise, Livingston EH54 6DG. Doors open at 10am, and there will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as lectures and an RSGB bookstand.

On 3 June, the Spalding & District Annual Rally will take place at The Sir John Gleed Technology School, Halmer Gardens, Spalding PE11 2EF. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands, free car parking and

catering facilities at the event. More details from John, G4NBR, on 07946 302 815.

Now for the news of special events

The Geoparks communications weekend this year takes place on 26 and 27 May. South Eastern amateur radio group will again operate from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co Waterford. The callsign should be EI2GEO and activity will mainly be on HF.

GS5NB will be on the air from Ness Battery, Stromness, Orkney until 2000UTC on 21 May using the 10 through to 80m bands, operating SSB, CW RTTY and PSK. Run by Orkney Amateur Radio Club, it celebrates the official opening of this Scheduled Ancient Monument to the public after its restoration by Scapa Flow Landscape Partnership. QSL is direct only via GM0WED and LoTW. Full details are online at http://eu009.webplus.net and qrz.com.

Coventry Amateur Radio Society will put GB50CCC on the air on 23 May to 19 June for the Coventry Cathedral Celebration.

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society will run a special event station at the HMS Collingwood open day on 26 May. It is expected that the call sign GB6COD will be used again. The station will be operational on all amateur bands from 1.8 to 430MHz. The Society headquarters station will be open to the public from 0930 to 1800 on the day. A number of demonstrations will be taking place using amateur radio and amateur television.

GB60VUL will be on the air from ex RAF and USAF Greenham Common today, 20 May. On 25 May, the callsign will be on the air as part of the birthday weekend for XH558 at 211 Squadron ATC in Newbury. On the air until 27 May, there will be an open weekend with a Vulcan exhibition and the GB60VUL special event station.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Andr�, GM3VLB is returning to the Orkney, EU-009 group, beginning 21 May. He plans to activate 5 islands, Muckle Green Holm, OI20, Linga Holm, OI21, Eynhallow, OI24, Faray, OI28 and Calf of Eday, OI29. Some are quite difficult to approach and to land on as well as being subject to very strong tidal current.

A group of operators from the Charente DX Group will be active as TM0CI from the Chausey Islands, which is IOTA reference EU-039, on 19 to 25 May. QSL via F5EOT, direct or bureau, see qrz.com.

The Castres DX Gang will be active as TM5FI from Ratonneau Island, which is IOTA reference EU-095, from 23 to 30 May. QSL via F5XX.

Until 23 May, XX9E is the callsign for the DXpedition to Coloane Island, Macau, which is IOTA reference AS-075. A large team will be active on 6 to 160 metres using CW, SSB and RTTY with at least three stations. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW. Further information at

www.adxg.org/xx9/. Now the contest news

This weekend, 19 and 20 May, there are overlapping events. The 144MHz May Contest takes place for 24 hours finishing at 1400UTC today, 20 May. The First 144MHz Backpackers overlaps the final three hours of it and then continues for another hour on its own, until 1500UTC. The exchange for the 144MHz contest is signal report, serial number locator and postcode, whilst the Backpackers exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Two events take place on Tuesday 22 May. The 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. The SHF UK Activity Contest takes place at the same time, 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CW leg of the 80m Club Championships takes place on 24 May from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

Next weekend, on 27 May, the third 70MHz Cumulative contest takes place from 1400 to 1600UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CW leg of the WPX Contest takes place for the entire 48 hours of the weekend of 26 and 27 May. There are numerous entry categories, single/multi-band, single/multi-op, QRP/low/high-power, etc. Exchange a report and serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 11th to Thursday the 17th of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 18th of May.

The large solar flare producing the sunspot region mentioned in last week's report remained visible till the 17th, when it rotated out if view. The group showed gradual decay from the 11th and produced several C class solar flares every day until early on the 17th, when it produced a M5 proton solar flare. A large coronal mass ejection also took place. Solar flux levels declined from 136 units on the 11th to 129 by the 15th. The average was 132 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 17th was 115 units, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined slightly from B6.1 units on the 11th to B4.3 by the 14th. The average was B5.1 units. Geomagnetic activity started at unsettled levels due to a coronal hole disturbance. The 13th was the most disturbed, with an Ap index of 14 units. From the 14th onwards, activity had declined to quiet levels. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 650 kilometres per second on the 11th to 340 by the end of the period. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied between minus 7 and plus 10 nanoTeslas on the 17th and between minus 2 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quietest day, the 14th. Sporadic-E took place most days on bands between 28 and 70MHz with reflections up to 100MHz on

occasional days, but there are no reports yet of anything on 144MHz.

And finally the solar forecast. This week, the quieter side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view. Solar activity is expected to be at low levels but, on occasions, there may be a small chance that activity could increase to moderate levels. Solar flux levels should decline and be around 110 units later in the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to start at quiet levels but around midweek a recurring coronal hole disturbance is expected. This disturbance should be over by next weekend. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 13MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 17MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1200 hours. Interestingly, the long path will be at its best around 2200 hours and the MUF could be up to 24MHz. Sporadic-E is expected on most days, with openings up to 70MHz on some days. If any intense openings take place then 144MHz could be reached.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization, from 7pm on Monday 21 May. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday 25 May there is a club HF net is on 3.748MHz from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a newcomers' informal night on Monday 21 May. On Thursday 24 May they are participating in the Worked All Britain event in conjunction with the passage of the Olympic Torch. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday 21 May. On Tuesday they are participating in the 50MHz UK Activity Contest, and Wednesday sees a formal meeting at the BSA Club. On Thursday 24 May there is a simplex club net on 145.375MHz from 20.00, and then it's Saturday in the Shack from 9am. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting on Monday 21 May. On Thursday 24 May there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a construction evening on Tuesday 22 May, then on Saturday 26 May they are installing an antenna at the Rainbow Hill club shack. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

Wythall Radio Club is taking a trip to Dunstable Downs Rally on Sunday 20 May. The Intermediate course continues on Monday, and there's a social evening at the club on Tuesday. On Saturday 26 May Wythall Radio Club commences its Plug 'n' Play weekend at Wythall Park. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 21 May Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having CW tuition and a general discussion. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday 21 May Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is looking at computer rig interfacing. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 22 May Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 22 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a hands-on session operating the club equipment. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 23 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and a field day planning meeting. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003. On Wednesday 23 May Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 24 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop- ars.org.uk.

On Friday 25 May Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a wine & cheese evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Sunday 20 May North Cheshire Radio Club is holding training classes at 7.30pm in its Wilmslow HQ, followed by its Annual General Meeting at 9pm. All members are asked to try and attend. Contact Gordon, G3LEQ on 01565 652 652.

On Monday 21 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Ed Aksamit on UHF and wind farms. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 21 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual construction competition for the G4EJL Trophy. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 22 May Chester & District Radio Society is conducting outdoor operations. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 22 May Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on GPS by Andrew. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 23 May Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air from 1930 on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Thursday 24 May Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a curry night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 24 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Contest CW from club station G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday 24 May South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its AGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 25 May East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 25 May Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on digital photography by M6MPB. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 26 May Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding an open day in its new home for Friends of Parkwood and local residents. The proposed new club site will have a marquee with GX3RCM on air a static display of posters and photos plus amateur radio videos on a large TV screen. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 22 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 23 May Glenrothes & District Radio Club is having a presentation and demonstration by John, GM4AQO of simple to construct and operate aerials for VHF. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Wednesday 23 May Lothians Radio Society is having a DF Hunt with Peter Dick, GM4DTH. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

On Thursday 24 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a VHF fox hunt. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Thursday 24 May Paisley Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Bill Anderson, 2M0BZZ, on 01505 613 633.

On Sunday 27 May the Scottish Borders Repeater Group is holding its AGM at 2pm in the Focus Centre, Livingstone Place, Galashiels. Details are on the web at www.sbrg.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is visiting Aspidistra with Mike, G8KMP on Sunday 20 May. On Friday 25 May they are having a radio night and testing equipment for their NFD event. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club Norfolk Repeater Group is holding its AGM and preparing for its next fox hunt on Wednesday 23 May. On Thursday they are taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship CW. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on Friday 25 May, then commencing its weekend F6KRK visit on Saturday 26 May. On Sunday 20 May they are operating GX3EFX/P at Old Redding. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 20 May Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club is visiting Dunstable Downs Boot Sale. Details from Bob Leask, G3XNG, by email to g4ceo@talk21.com.

On Sunday 20 May Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Intermediate course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Monday 21 May Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 21 May Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on receiving amateur satellites by Dave, G8XCK. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720. On Monday 21 May East Kent Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and natter night. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Tuesday 22 May Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 22 May Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 22 May Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on receiver noise reduction by Graham Somerville of bhi. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 22 May Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday 23 May Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 23 May Darenth Valley Radio Society is having a talk on the RSGB by Keith Bird. Contatct Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday 23 May Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having a construction evening at the Taplin Centre. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 23 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 23 May Home Counties ATV Group is having an update on Suzy Radio by Dave, G8ADM and/or John, G8MNY. Contact Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Wednesday 23 May Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Thursday 24 May Echelford Amateur Radio Society is holding a Bring & Buy, natter night and CW practice. Contact John, G4GSC, on 01784 451 898.

On Thursday 24 May Edgware & District Radio Society is holding its Constructors Cup competition. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 24 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral- g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 24 May Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 24 May Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having part 2 of the talk on automatic number plate recognition by Paul Palmer of Surrey Police. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 24 May Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Roger Castle-Smith on the history of Foreign Office Overseas Broadcasting. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 24 May Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Thursday 24 May Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 25 May Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on military equipment and green radio by John, M0JWS. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712. On Friday 25 May Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on propagation by John Noden, G8IOK. Details from Mick Ponsford, M0GWD, on 02392 366 699.

On Friday 25 May Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding a members forum on the club contests. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday 25 May Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 26 May Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its field weekend. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 27 May Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is having a chat night. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 0772 225 002.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding an HF net on 3.655MHz from 19:45 on Monday 21 May, then a 2m club net on 145.575MHz at 19:45 on Tuesday. Thursday 24 May sees the club 4m net on 70.425MHz at 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Sunday 20 May Plymouth Radio Club is running a Worked All Britain special event station for the Olympic Torch relay from the Club House at the Cherry Tree Pub. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert- james@virginmedia.com.

On Monday 21 May Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the David Rundle Trust by Deri Rundle. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Monday 21 May Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a show & tell evening. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 23 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air for the Worked All Britain Olympic Torch relay event. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 24 May South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a DX Challenge. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 24 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 21 May Dragon Amateur Radio Club is planning for NFD and the Olympic Torch Worked All Britain event. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

783. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 21 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 16:36:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Source record: 2951
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Special event station PA300BPM

Posted: 20 May 2012 11:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346913-Special-event-station-PA300BPM&goto=newpost

This station PA300BPM is in honor of the 300th Buitensluisse Paarden Markt
(Horse fair) in Numansdorp June this year.

This station will be active from the 1th of June until the 28th of June
2012.

You may receive a special QSL card by the Dutch QSL Bureau (DQB) or by post
(direct).

Regarding direct QSL this will be answered direct if you add a SASE and 2 $
bills (greenstamps) otherwise it will be returned by the bureau if possible
to your country.

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W7W QSL Info: February 25, 2012

Posted: 20 May 2012 11:19 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346909-W7W-QSL-Info-February-25-2012&goto=newpost

The Superstition ARC ran a special event on February 25, 2012, using the
call W7W, celebrating the Arizona Centennial and the Legend of the Lost
Dutchman from a museum near Apache Junction, AZ.

The QSL cards are designed and printed. At last. And I have answered all
the cards I found when they were turned over to me at the May meeting of
the club. Just in case some got lost somewhere along the way, please check
the club web site: http://wb7tjd.org/ Or look up WB7TJD on QRZ and check
out the bio there for the web address if it got tossed in this message.

I was of the understanding that we had more than seven cards in our PO box,
but seven was all I had to work with.

I have waived the April deadline where I asked for all cards to be received
in time for the April club meeting, and have asked that if your call is not
listed and you sent us a card, then to please resend a card and a return
envelope, and I will cover the postage.

Thank you for your patience.

This is for only a February 25, 2012 contact with W7W. Another local club ran another special event in the same month of February for Arizona's centennial, using the same call.

-- Larry, WB7C -- W7W

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GB3MCB Beacons

Posted: 20 May 2012 02:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346848-GB3MCB-Beacons&goto=newpost

Once again, we are planning to undertake the work on the beacons Saturday 26th May 2012, therefore expect some disruption in service. As always we are at the mercy of the weather, so fingers crossed for fine weather and the new antanna's and feeders will be installed.

The following beacons are effected:

50 Mhz

70 Mhz

144 Mhz

432 Mhz

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Roger G4OCO

Mid Cornwall Beacon And Repeater Group

784. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 21 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 16:36:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bafa7b62a4a04c08e8114@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Yaesu's Latest Transceiver

Posted: 18 May 2012 10:53 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?346730-Yaesu-s-Latest-Transceiver&goto=newpost

Yaesu's Latest and greatest for 2012

Visit us at the Fox Tango International FTdx3000 Users Group

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Yaesu_...0_Users_Group/

FTdx3000 HF/50 MHz transceiver

Description: HF/50 Mhz 100 watt Transceiver Although the FTDX3000 has only one receiver, a high speed Spectrum Scope is

built into the radio. When in the Auto Mode, the Spectrum Scope display is updated in real time.

The Down conversion 9 MHz 1st IF frequency receiver construction, can realize narrow 300 Hz (optional), 600 Hz and 3 kHz bandwidth roofing filters. The 3.5-inch wide color LCD displays the operating information and the status of the transceiver functions, with high resolution (480 x 272 dots) on the screen. As of this date, May 19, 2012 the FT-DX3000 has NOT been approved by the FCC for

sale. Once the radio has received FCC approval and pricing has been announced,

you will be advised right here on the Fox Tango Users Group.

Thank you for your interest in the Yaesu Ftdx3000 and the Fox Tango Users group.

Regards

Carol Maher W4CLM

Club Admin Http://www.foxtango.org

785. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-028E - 60 metre consultation - additional information

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 18:17:29 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FBA8507.3030800@rac.ca>
Source record: 2952
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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RAC Bulletin 2012-028E - 60 metre consultation - additional information*
2012-04-21

As you are aware, the consultation paper regarding the addition of 60m frequencies was gazetted this past Saturday. I wanted to ensure that the comment period timeline is clear as the wording on our website and that of the Canada Gazette are slightly different and can lead to confusion. We are working to have the text on both sites be identical, but we wanted to make sure that the actual comment deadline was clear.

To ensure consideration, parties should submit their comments no later than June 12, 2012.

It would be appreciated if you could please circulate this information to the amateur community.

For your reference, here is the consultation paper on our website. This would have the most accurate information.

http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf10381.html

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786. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-028E - 60 metre consultation - additional information

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 18:24:50 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FBA8677.3070806@rac.ca>
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787. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 14 - 20 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 19:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120521193001.F0FDB33C57@panix2.panix.com>
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 May 21 1636 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
14 - 20 May 2012

Solar activity ranged from very low to moderate levels. Region 1476
(N09, L=180, class/area Fkc/1050 on 09 May) continued to be the
major contributor of x-ray flare activity throughout the week. It
produced 13 C-class flares and an M-flare. Region 1476 began the
week as an Fko type group with a beta-gamma configuration. As it
rotated off the west limb on 17 May, the region produced an M5/1f
flare at 17/0147 UTC. This event was accompanied by a 22 minute 10cm
Radio Burst (600 sfu) at 17/0142 UTC, Type II (645 km/s) and Type IV
radio sweeps, and a partial halo CME. The CME was first observed by
the SOHO/LASCO C3 spacecraft beginning at 17/0206 UTC with an
estimated plane-of-sky speed of approximately 1200 km/s. The
majority of the ejecta was directed off the west limb. Region 1476
continued to produce C-class flares as it rotated off the visible
disk on 18 May. A filament eruption produced a CME that was observed
in STEREO A COR 2 imagery (plane-of-sky speed approximately 482
km/s) beginning at 18/0709 UTC on 18 May. The ejecta was slightly
north of the ecliptic plane, however a glancing blow is possible
from that event.

A greater than 10 MeV and greater than 100 MeV proton event at
geosynchronous orbit was observed associated with the 17 May M5
flare. The greater than 10 MeV proton event began at 17/0210 UTC and
reached a peak flux of 255 pfu at 17/0430 UTC, ended at 18/1620UTC.
The greater than 10 MeV proton event crossed the 100 pfu threshold
(S2) at 17/0245 UTC and fell below 100 pfu at 17/0945 UTC. The
greater than 100 MeV proton event began at 17/0200 UTC and reached a
maximum of 20 pfu at 17/0230 UTC, ended at 17/1725 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate to high levels from 14 through 16 May. Moderate levels were
observed from 17 through 20 May.
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Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to active levels. Quiet levels were observed on 15, 17, and 19 May. Quiet to unsettled levels were observed on 14 and 18 May. Quiet to unsettled levels with isolated active periods were observed on 16 and 20 May. On 16 May, an extended period of the southward Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field caused an isolated active level during the 16/2100 - 2400 UTC period. At approximately 20/0136 UTC, the ACE satellite ovserved an interplanetary shock passage with a corresponding weak sudden impulse observed in the Boulder magnetometer (15 nT) at 20/0215 UTC. The shock passage was likely associated with the 17 May CME. The geomagnetic field responded with an isolated active period during the 20/0300 - 0600 UTC period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
21 May - 16 June 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels with a slight chance for M-class flares through 31 May and again from 14 June through the end of the forecast period. Low to moderate levels are expected from 31 May through 13 June due to the return of old Region 1476.

A chance for a greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit exists from 31 May through 13 June due to the return of old Region 1476.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal levels on 21 - 23 May, 30 May - 05 June, and again on 13 - 16 June. High levels are expected on 24 - 29 May and again on 06 - 12 June. High levels are in response to recurrent coronal hole high speed wind streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to active on 22 - 23 May as the arrival of the 18 May CME as well as a coronal hole high speed stream become geoeffective. Quiet to active conditions are also expected on 06 - 09 June as another recurrent coronal hole high speed stream moves into geoeffective position. Mostly quiet to unsettled conditons are expected for the remainder of the forecast period.

788. eHam.net News for Monday 21 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-21 22:02:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043fafe33504c0930d3e@google.com>
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eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Group Celebrates Anniversary:

Posted: 20 May 2012 07:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28336

Most East Texans may not think much about the role amateur radio operators play -- or can play -- in their lives. But in the blink of an eye, when a natural or manmade emergency arises with the potential to send traditional lines of communication tumbling, ham radio operators provide vital links of communication, according to Gary Lewis, president of the Longview East Texas Amateur Radio Club. The group celebrated its 25th anniversary Saturday with an open house in newly renovated space on the second floor of the Longview Red Cross building.

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Amateur Radio Emergency Group Volunteers Services:

Posted: 20 May 2012 07:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28335

ST. GEORGE - The Washington County Commission approved a memorandum of understanding Tuesday with a group of amateur radio operators who are helping to ensure communications don't go down during a community-wide emergency. "At the Big Shakeout (statewide earthquake drill) that we had a few weeks ago ... one of the big things that came out when they had their meeting on what they learned was how important communications are going to be, should there be some kind of a disaster," said Norm Smith, the spokesman for the Washington County Amateur Radio Emergency Service. WCARES is a corps of trained amateur radio operators organized to assist emergency service providers when the fundamental communications systems society takes for granted aren't available because of power outages or other situations that may be incident to a large-scale disaster.

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Blind Entrepreneur Rolls Out Radio Busin

Posted: 20 May 2012 06:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28334

SAGLE -- On the phone, Dwain Miller's voice has all the resonance and distinctive character of a radio announcer. Not surprising, really, since he spent some time in the broadcast booth and on the air. These days, Miller's involvement in the radio world is focused on selling CB and

amateur "Ham" radio equipment and accessories. When potential customers call his home-based business, they get expert counsel -- with that broadcaster's voice at no extra charge -- from a man who can get them set up with the right kind of system or help them troubleshoot just about any kind of radio-related issue.

789. [DXNL] DX-NL 1781 (May 23, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 04:51:39 UTC
From: Fabian Kurz <dj1yfk@darc.de>
Message-ID: <20120521212254.GG25523@ampiainen.fkurz.net>
Source record: 2956
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012
DX Newsletter

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4L, Georgia
Andi, UU0JM, will take part in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest (26./27. May)
from Georgia, using the callsign 4L0A in the SOAB category. QSL via
LoTW.

5X, Uganda
Rene, PE1L, and Eltje, PA3CEE2, will activate the callsign 5X1EME
on 2 m and 70 cm via EME from near Kampala (KJ60gh), between May
25th and June 3rd. More infos in the MoonNet and at MMMonVHF.
QSL via PA3CEE.
http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp
http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

6O, Somalia
Darko, J28AA/E70A, will be QRV as 6O3A from Hargesia again, between
May 25th and 31st. Activities will be on HF in SSB and RTTY, as well
as on 50 MHz. QSL via E77E or K2PF.
http://bhcc.ba/

6W, Senegal
Vlad, RK4FF, will take part as 6V7S in the SOAB category of the CQ WW
WPX CW Contest. QSL via Homecall.

6Y, Jamaica
Sergey, UT5UDX, starting May 30th, will be active as 6Y/UT5UDX. For
the CQWW WPX CW Contest, he will use the callsign 6Y3W. QSL via RA4LW.

A5, Bhutan
Zorro, JH1AJT (A5A, A51A), Ted, JJ1LIB (A52F), Aki, JA4EKO (A52GO),
Kazu, JH1OGX (A52KF) and Jon, KL2A (A52X), of the "Foundation for
Global Children" DX group will be QRV as A5A between May 24th and
June 6th. Planned activities are from 80 m - 6 m in SSB, CW, and

RTTY with 3 stations in parallel. They're hoping to provide many
DXers with this rare DXCC. QSL A5A via JH1AJT.
http://bhutan2012.com/

D2, Angola
Mike, UA1QV, is active on 20 m SSB as D3AA from near Lunda-Sul,
and plans to activate all bands including 160 m eventually.
There's currently no information about the intended duration of
his activities. QSL via Homecall.

EI, Ireland
The "South Eastern Amateur Radio Group" will be QRV during the "Geo
Parks Communication Weekend" (26th/27th of May) from the
"Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark" using EI2GEO on the HF
bands. QSL via EI7IS.

G, England
Amateur radio stations from all over the world will exchange greetings
with GB6GEO on the "Geo Parks Communication Weekend". The station is
located at the "English Riviera Global Geopark" in Torquay and will
be active on 3.680 MHz, 7.080 MHz, 14.180 MHz, 21.180 MHz, and
28.180 MHz. QSL via bureau oder direct to G3VOF.

HB0, Liechtenstein
Johannes, DF5AU, will be active between May 21st and 27th from near
Triesenberg at 1250 m ASL as HB0/DF5AU. He will be active on the
HF bands in CW and SSB, with a focus on the highbands, where he uses
a 5-band Spiderbeam and a K3/Acom1000. QSL via Homecall, LoTW.

I, Italy
Ivo, E73A/9A3A will take part in the CQWW WPX CW Contest as 4U1GSC
from the "United Nations Global Service Center" in Brindisi, in the
SOAB HP category. QSL via 9A2AA.

JT, Mongolia
Mike, UA4NW, was heard as JT5NM on 20 m and 15 m in CW.
There's currently no information about the intended duration of
his activities. QSL via Homecall, direct only.

KH2, Guam
David, N2NL, will activate the callsign NH2T from Guam (OC-026,
USi GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064) in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest
in the SOABHP category. QSL via W2YC, direct only, LoTW.

KH8, American Samoa
Yuri, N3QQ and Dick, N7RO are planning to be on the air from
Pago Pago on Tutuila (OC-045, USi AS007S, WLOTA 4385) for a week in
late May / early June. Activity will be limited to their free time,
using the call sign KH8/KL7RRC on 10 - 40 m.
During their stay they will explore the feasibility of an activation
of Rose Atoll (OC-190, USi AS004S), which could take place in
December / January. They're still looking for operators interested
in taking part in the Rose Atoll DXpedition; please contact N3QQ.

QSL via N7RO.

KP2, US Virgin Islands
Phil, KT3Y, Fred, K9VV, and Tine, S50A, will take part in the CQWW WPX CW Contest as KP2M from the Radio Reef Contest Station on St. Croix (NA-106, USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477, St. Croix County), most likely in the Multi-Single category. QSL via LoTW. http://www.radioreef.com

Yuriy, N2TTA, will take part in the same contest with the callsign KP2MM, two more dashes, as SOAB-LP. QSL via LoTW. http://www.n2tta.info

LX, Luxemburg
A team will activate LX7I in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest in the M/S category. QSL via LX2A. http://www.lx2a.com/

P4, Aruba
Andrew, AE6Y, will be P49Y in the CQWW WPX CW Contest, from Pos Chiquito on Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033, WW Loc. FK52al). Operation will be in the SOAB HP category. QSL via AE6Y, LoTW.

PZ, Surinam
Serge, RX3APM, will be PZ5P once again, between May 24th and 29th, including a participation in the CQWW WPX CW contest. QSL via UA4LU, LoTW.

SP, Poland
The special station HF2012FLO will be on the air to celebrate the "Air Festival" in Ostrow until May 28th. QSL via SP3POW.

ST, Sudan
Robert, S53R, will be QRV from Sudan as ST2AR in the CQWW WPX CW Contest. QSL via Homecall, LoTW.

SV9, Crete
Alex, SQ9UM, is currently active as SV9/SQ9UM from Crete. His activity is focused on CW and RTTY. He'll take part in the CQWW WPX CW Contest in the SOABLP category and operate until May 28th. QSL via Homecall.

TA, Turkey
Dmitry, R3GM, will be TC7C in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest, SOAB. QSL via RA1QQ.

V2, Antigua
Darrell, AB2E, will sign V26E from Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118, WW Loc. FK97bc) starting May 23rd. He plans to take part in the CQWW WPX CW Contest in the SOABLP category, where he placed 2nd world wide and #1 North America last year. Before and after the contest he will be looking for QSOs on the WARC and lowbands. For the first time, activities in RTTY are planned. He's QRV until May 30th. QSL via Homecall, direct only, LoTW.

V3, Belize
Colin, KU5B, will be QRV as V31UB once again between May 23rd and

29th from Belize. Activities are planned on all bands from 160 to
6 m in CW, SSB and RTTY, including an all-band effort in the CQWW
WPX CW Contest. QSL via Homecall, direct only, LoTW.
http://ku5b.com/

V6, Micronesia
Sho, JA7HMZ and Akio, JA7ZP will work as V63DX and V63ZP respectively
from Pohnpei island (OC-010, WW Loc. QJ96) from May 25th to 29th.
They will be QRV from 40 m to 6 m in all modes and take part in the
CQWW WPX CW Contest as V6A. QSLs V63DX and V6A via JA7HMZ,
V63ZP via JA7ZP, both direct only.

VK9L, Lord Howe Island
Pat, VK2PN, and Miro, OK1NG, will, between May 23rd and 30th, activate
Lord Howe Island (OC-004) as VK9PN. Chris, VK3FY will join the team
for the CQWW WPX CW Contest. Chris is visiting the island for work
reasons between May 27th and June 2nd, therefore he can only spend
time on the air in the evenings. After the contest he plans to be
active as VK9LHI on the HF bands in CW, SSB and a little RTTY.
QSL via VK3HF. http://www.southpacificcontestclub.com/

VP5, Turks and Caicos
JH1BXH and JA1EAX will continue their activity until May 24th with
VP5/ prefixes, from 80 - 6 m in CW and SSB. QSLs via JH1BXH.

W, USA
The "San Francisco Amateur Radio Club" (W6PW) will, in cooperation
with the "California Historical Society" celebrate the 75th
anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge from May 26th to 27th.
The special callsign W6G will be activated in SSB and CW on 28375,
24975, 21275, 18125, 14275, 7175 and 3750 kHz. An award will
be issued for 5-band-QSOs. QSL and award via KM6DA.

VU, India
Until July 8th, Taj, VU2DJ, Sabu, VU2ELJ, Sree, VU2OB, Prabin,
VU2POL, Peeter, VU2PJP, Murali, VU2FWW, Thomas, VU2VJT, Sunil,
VU2ATB, Ashraf, VU3MTY, Mujeeb, VU3WII and Sanal, VU3SIO, will
activate the special call sign 8T1M from 160 - 2 Meter in CW, SSB,
PSK, RTTY, FM and D-STAR. QSL via VU2MLQ.
http://www.malabarradiohams.org/

XE, Mexico
XF3LH is the callsign of PT2OP, XF3PAS and XE3N. They are active
until May 24th Cozumel island (NA-090) from 80 - 10 m.
QSL via PT2OP.

YA, Afghanistan
Eric, T6MO, will take part in the CQ WW WPX CW Contest in the
SOAB-LP category. He's active on 40, 20, 15 and 10 m only with
an OCF dipole at 12 m AGL and 100W. QSL via K9GY. (B)

YB, Indonesia
YB0AKM, YB0ECT, YB0JS, YB0KVN, YB0AZ, YC0KVM, YC0TSU, YC0MXV, YC1LLY,

YC0VKI, YB1CCF, YD1JZ, YB1KAR, YC1KAF and YD1GCL, will use the call YE0X for the CQ WW WPX CW Contest in the M/2 category. QSL via YB0ZZ.

Announced:
A DXpedition to Heard Island was announced for early 2014.
Stay tuned: http://www.heardisland.org/ http://www.cordell.org/

Intruder watch
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by Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR of the DARC intruder watch.

Chinese OTHR (over the horizon radaes) and Codar Sea radars are ubiquitously found on the 40m band in great quantities, disturbing radio amateurs mostly in IARU Region 3 and on the US West coast. At times, as much as half of the spectrum of the 40m band is covered by interference of radars and thus unusable for radio amateurs in those regions. In Germany those interferers are mostly not audible. A Codar (sea radar), most likely located in Indonesia, was observed over the last weeks between 14070 and 14125 kHz, audible in Germany after 15 UTC. It has been reported to the German BNetzA and the Swiss BAKOM. The bands between 17 m and 10 m are often suffering from strong interference from OTHRs from Turkey and the Royal Air Force from Cyprus. 15 m in particular is covered by strong radar interference for hours every day, sometimes both OTHRs are active at the same time. The intruder watch received 104 reports for unknown radars on 15 m, 61 on 10 m. Due to improved sporadic E conditions on 10 m, the number of reported intruders increased significantly. Intruders which may have been active for years already now became audible on a regular basis: Taxis from Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Tajikistan and Usbekistan on FM in Russian language, and radio pirates from many different countries can be observed in AM, FM and SSB. An Intruder Watch meeting takes place on June 23rd at 10am on this year's Ham Radio in Friedrichshafen (meeting room "Schweiz"). Guest speaker Peter Jost, HB9CET of the Swiss intruder watch will talk about "Digital Intruders on our bands - from freeware to high-tech".

Satellite reports wanted

Radio amateurs are asked to listen to the telemetry transmissions in Morse code and AX.25 of the Japanese research satellite HORYU-2 (JG6YBW) on 437.375 MHz. All reports are appreciated.
Software and details: http://kitsat.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/index_e_new.html

Hall of Fame

This year, George Badger, W6TC, Bill Brown, WB8ELK, Robert Brown, NM7M (sk), Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR, Richard Garriott, W5WKQ, William W. Hansen (no call, sk), Richard Kirby, ex-W0LCT/HB9BOA (sk), Fred Maya, W5YI (sk), Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, Larry Mulvehill, WB2ZPI, Rowley Shears, G8KW (sk), Mike Staal, K6MYC, Frederick Terman, ex-6FT, W6AE, W6XH, (sk), Patrick Tice, WA0TDA, Louis Varney, G5RV (sk), and William A. Wilson, K6ARO (sk), were introduced into the

CQ Hall of Fame. The new members of the CQ Contest Hall of Fame
are Jim Reisert, AD1C and Lothar Wilke, DL3TD (sk), the CQ DX Hall
of Fame now includes Don Chesser, W4KVX (sk), Glenn Johnson, W0GJ,
and Carl Smith, N4AA.

Queen's Diamond Jubilee Special Prefixes List

Alan, 5B4AHJ compiled a comprehensive list of stations with
2Q, GQ and MQ prefixes operating outside of England.
http://www.clublog.org/docs/dashboard.action

OPs wanted

Derek, G3KHZ, and Hans, SM6CVX, are planning their 7th DX-Pedition
to P29. They are looking for operators who are interested in
joining them for three weeks in October. If you are interested,
please get in touch with G3KHZ.

SILENT KEY

The former ARRL Vice director of the Atlantic Division, James
M. Mozley, W2BCH, passed away on May 13th, aged 89.
Our condolences to his family and friends. We don't want to be sad
that we lost him; we want to be thankful that we had him as a friend.
We will always remember him.

Upcoming Contests

26.5. Rheinland-Pfalz-Aktivitaetsabend
26./27.5. CQ WW WPX Contest
26./27.5. Bayerischer Bergtag

Krasimir, LZ1GL, informs about the LZ Open and the LZ Open SES
(Simulated Emergency Situation) contests:
http://www.lzopen.com
http://www.lzopen.com/lzopenfield20/index.htm

IOTA: Compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

AF-004; EA8; Canary Islands: EE8X is the callsign of Luis/EA8AY in the
CQWW WPX CW (SOAB). His QTH is Santa Cruz, Teneriffa (DIE
S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF). QSL direct via W2GR.
More information: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x/

EU-001; SV5; Dodecanese: From May 23 to 28, Jeff/N6GQ is QRV from
Rhode (GIOTA DKS-006, MIA MGD-028, WLOTA 0045) as SV5/N6GQ.
He'll take part in the CQWW WPX CW as SOAB-QRP.
QSL only direct via N6GQ.

EU-001; SV5; Dodecanese: From Kos island (GIOTA DKS-043, MIA
MGD-016, WLOTA 1730; LOC KM36OV), Bob/OK2BOB, Vilda/OK2BC

and Jindra/OK1AMM will sign SV5/homecall between May 22nd
and June 1st. They are QRV from on all bands including 6 m
mostly in CW with a little SSB. QSL via Homecall (d/B)

EU-013; GJ/MJ; Jersey: CQWW WPX CW will also see Kazu/JK3GAD active as
MJ0CFW. He's QRV from the S/W coast of the island (WLOTA
0818, WW Loc. IN89ve) in der SOAB-LP category. QSL via LoTW
or direct via M0CFW.

EU-023; 9H; Malta group: Zoli/HA5PP will be QRV in the CQWW WPX CW from
Qawra (MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, LOC JM75fw) as 9H3PP either on 10 m
or on 15 m in the SOSB category. After the contest he's planning
activities on 6 m and 12 m. QSL via HA5PP (d/B)

EU-049; SV; North Aegean Islands &
EU-052; SV; Ipeiros / Dytiki Elass Region group: After the CQWW WPX CW,
Jeff/N6GQ will visit some islands of EU-049 and EU-052, between
May 28th and June 17th. In "holiday style", he will be on the air
as SV8/N6GQ on the HF bands. QSL only direct via N6GQ.

EU-084; SM5/SM0; Uppsala / Stockholm County group: The first activation
of Rindo island will take place on May 26th by 8S0DAY. They will
be on the air from a former military fortress which was built between
1853 and 1863. QSL via SM0MPV (d/B). More at: http://www.sk0mt.net

EU-095; F; Provence-Cote D'Azur (Bouches-du-Rhone) Region group: Members
of the Castres DX Gang will be QRV as TM5FI from Ratonneau island
(DIFM ME003, MIA MF-024) from May 23rd till 30th. QSL via F5XX (d/B)

EU-125; OZ; Jylland West group: The team of OZ1RDP will visit the
scout camp in Kongsmark/Roemoe (DIA NS-001; OZFF-004) from May 25th
through 29th. They will work on 80 - 20 m in SSB, possibly some 160 m.
QSL via DL9BCP (d/B)

EU-145; CT; Algarve Province group: CT1EPV, CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT1IUA and
CT3FN take part in the CQWW WPX CW as CS2W from Culatra (WLOTA 0144).
QSL via HB9CRV, LoTW.

EU-174; SV; Makedonia / Thraki Region group: Samothraki island
(GIOTA NAS-032, MIA MG-100, WLOTA 4166) will be activated by
Boyko/LZ1QN, using his contest call SW8A, in the CQWW WPX CW.
QSL via LZ1QN (d/B)

EU-174; SV; Makedonia / Thraki Region group: From May 24th to June 3rd,
Laci/HA0HW is QRV from Thassos island (GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124,
WLOTA LH-4186, LOC KN20hs) as SV8/HA0HW. His favorite mode is CW, but
he'll also work some QSOs in SSB, RTTY and PSK31.
With a FT840/IC-706, a 300W PA and GPs / Dipoles he'll be QRV on
40/30/20/17/6m. In the CQWW WPX CW he will sign as J48HW in the
SOABHP category. QSL via HA0HW (d/B)

NA-018; OX; Greenland: Henning/OZ1BII will activate XP2I in the CQWW WPX
CW at the QTH of Jesper/OX3KQ in Kangerlussuag/Groenland (WFF OZFF-006,

WLOTA 0072, LOC GP47pa), using low power on all bands.
QSL via OZ1BII (d/B) http://www.oz1bii.dk/qsl-info.htm

NA-090; XE3; Quintana Roo State Centre group: From May 22nd to 24th,
PT2OP, XF3PAS and XE3N will activate the Cozumel island group (Island
of Swallows; WLOTA 1905) as XF3LH. QSL via PT2OP (d/B)

US-Island - FL479S: On May 26th/27th the Jupiter Tequesta Repeater
Group plans to be active from Peanut island (FL479S) as W4JUP.
Primary frequencies: Phone (+/-) 3.830, 7.180, 14.240, 18.130,
21.280, 28.400. PSK31 - 3.582.70, 7.037.70, 10.142.70, 14.072.70,
18.102.70, 21.072.70, 28.122.70. QSL via W4JUP (d/B)

Lighthouse activities

6Y3W LH 0214 26.05. - 27.05.
KP2M LH 2477 26.05. - 27.05.
KP2MM LH 2477 26.05. - 27.05.
KP2/K9VV LH 2477 23.05. - 29.05.
KP2/KT3Y LH 2477 23.05. - 29.05.
KP2/S50A LH 2477 23.05. - 29.05.
NH2T LH 0064 26.05. - 27.05.
P40H LH 0033 26.05. - 27.05.
P49Y LH 0033 26.05. - 27.05.
V26E LH 1118 23.05. - 30.05.
YE0X LH 1660 26.05. - 27.05.

WFF activities

YOFF: Members of the "Radioclub QSO Banat" (YO2KQT) will, from May
25th to 27th (during the 3rd Hercules Marathon) activate YP0WFF
from Domogled-Valea Cerne (YOFF-008). QSL only direct via YO2KQT.
http://www.alternativetm.ro/en/herculesmaraton

Calendar
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from to DX DX-MB
unknown 3B8MM 1777
until 15 June 4JS0NG.. 1772/1777
26./27. May 4L0A 1781*
26./27. May 4U1GSC 1781*
17. - 30. May 4X/PA7DA.. 1780
01Januar-30June 5P12EU 1760
frm 21. March 5T0JL 1772
25. May - 3. June 5X1EME 1781*
until 8. June 5X5RO 1778/1780
until 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
25. - 31. May 6O3A 1781*
16. - 28. May 6V7S 1780/1781*
unknown 6V7SIX 1770

until 30. May 6Y3W.. 1781*
20. - 26. May 7U50ND 1780
until 31. October 8J0WAZA 1780
until 31. May 8J1ITU 1780
until 31. December 8J1MST 1779
until 30. September 8J2NDP.. 1751
until 15. July 8J3XVI 1779
until 31. December 8J6O 1773
until 30. September 8J7EQ 1773
until 31. December 8N1TDU 1780
until 3. June 8N8OKH 1780
until 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
until 28. July 8N1TW 1773
26.05. 8S0DAY 1781*
until 8. July 8T1M 1781*
26.-27.05. 9H3PP 1781*
unknown 9H3XX 1777
until October 2014 9V1RM 1751
until September 2013 A52SV 1752
24. May - 6. June A5A.. 1781
until 31. May AU50GOA 1780
until 31. December CN2YZ 1771
26./27. May CS2W 1781*
April - June CY0/VE1AWW 1774
until 8. July 2012 D2QV 1750
until May 2013? D2SG 1748/1780
unknown D3AA 1781*
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
until 13. Januar 2013 DL125HHZ 1778
20.-25.05. DL2RU/p 1780
01Januar-31December DL1630Y 1760
20.-25.05. DL1AXX/p 1780
until 31. December DL250COA 1779
01Januar-31December DM100MGY 1763
01Januar-31December DM50KSJ 1763
until 31. December DM800ANH 1767
until Februar 2013 DP0GVN 1756
until Januar 2013 DQ0STRATEX 1770
until 31. December DQ125HSB 1763
unknown E40VB 1780
until 31. December E720RS 1770
26.-27.05. EE8X 1781*
26./27. May EI2GEO 1781*
1Januar-31December EI80IRTS 1763
until 31. May EM100RU 1780
1. May - 30. June EM350S 1777
until 26. August EM80L.. 1778
unknown EV1150P 1779
12.-25.05. F/DJ2VO 1779
12.-25.05. F/DL1COP 1779

12.-25.05. F/DL1KD 1779
12.-25.05. F/DL3KBQ 1779
12.-25.05. F/DL3KMS 1779
until 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
until July 2012 FR8NE 1710
jetzt FW/F1GHY 1771
until June G4BJC.. 1779
jaehrlich May + July GB1AVR 1779
until 31. December GB50WVR 1767
until 30. May GB60VUL 1779
26./27. May GB6GEO 1781*
2012 GB80PW 1762
21.-27.05. GM0ANA 1780
21.05.-07.06 GM3VLB/p 1780
5. May - 10. June GQ3aaa.. 1778
5. May - 10. June GQ4BJC/A.. 1779
until 31. December HA50ZH 1780
21. - 27. May HB0/DF5AU 1781*
7. May - 9. June HB100FLP 1778/1779
until 28. May HF2012FLO 1781*
unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
until September 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
until end 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
01Januar-31December II6LN 1763
until 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
until July 2012 J28RO 1683
until July 2013 J28UC 1734
26.-27.05. J48HW 1781*
unknown JT5NM 1781*
unknown E40VB 1780
19. May - 27. July G4WAB.. 1780
29March -March2013 JX9JKA 1769/1773
unknown JY9ET 1779
until 2013 KG4AJ 1756
until June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
until May 2012 KH4/W5FJG 1728
end May/Anfang KH8/KL7RRC 1781*
26./27. May KP2M 1781*
26./27. May KP2MM 1781*
15.-23.05. LA/DL5DSM 1779
15.-23.05. LA/DL9UBF 1779
22. - 31. May LG5LG.. 1780
26./27. May LX7I 1781*
until 22. July LZ12FDAY 1770
until 31. December LZ1818MOG.. 1770
26.-27.05. MJ0CFW 1781*
until 10. June MQ0SMJ 1779
26./27. May NH2T 1781*
until 15. August NR4CB 1780

May - October OD5/IV3XNF 1777
until 31. December OH150VR 1772
01Januar-31December ON65BR 1763
4April-31December ON100TT 1775
25.-29.05. OZ1RDP 1781*
7. - 31. May P40H.. 1780
26./27. May P49Y 1781*
6. - 28. May PC25HR 1779
19.05.-02.06. PD5MVH/p 1780
24. - 29. May PZ5P 1781*
May R1945HS 1778
until Anfang 2013 RI1ANF 1765
until September 2012 RI1FJA 1741
until September 2012 RI1FJM 1741
until 31. December S555E.. 1772
15. - 23. May S79RR 1779
18. May - 02. July SN750K 1780
26./27. May ST2AR 1781*
23.-28.05. SV5/N6GQ 1781*
until 1. June SV5/OK2BOB.. 1781*
24.05.-03.06. SV8/HA0HW 1781*
28.05.-17.06. SV8/N6GQ 1781*
until 28. May SV9/SQ9UM 1781*
26.-27.05. SW8A 1781*
until 13. June T6JM 1764
until end July T6JP 1768/1770
until June 2012 T6MO 1733/1767/1781*
until 31. December TC50TRAC.. 1770
26./27. May TC7C 1781*
19.-25.05. TM0CI 1780
until 31. December TM210VH 1770
until 22. July TM3FFI 1779
23.-30.05. TM5FI 1781*
until 31. December TM70TRS 1763
until July 2012 TN9SN 1755
until 29. May TX5CW 1780
23. - 30 May V26E 1781*
23. - 29. May V31UB 1781*
11. - 31. May V31XB 1779
25. - 29. May V6A.. 1781*
until November 2014 V73NS 604/1668/1752
1. - 30. May VC2CBS30 1777
23. - 30. May VK9PN.. 1781*
until 24. May VP5/JH1BXH.. 1781*
until July 2012 VQ9JC 1755
26.-27.05. W4JUP 1781*
26. - 27. May W6G 1781*
until May 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
until 24. May XF3LH 1781*
26.-27.05. XP2I 1781*

unknown XW3DT 1766/1771
17. - 23. May XX9E 1780
26./27. May YE0X 1781*
25. - 27. May YP0WFF 1781*
5. May - 10. June ZQ3M.. 1778
until 2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3A/F4BKV via F4BKV (B), (L)
4U1GSC via 9A2AA (B)
4X/PA7DA via PA7DA (B)
5B/RN3QO via RN3QO (B)
5B4PRC/p via 5B4AHO (B)
5R8UI via IZ8CCW (d)
6V7S via RK4FF
9A/E77AW/p via E77E (B)
5X1EME via PA3CEE
6O3A via E77E (B), K2PF (d)
6V7S via RK4FF
6Y/UT5UDX via RA4LW (d)
6Y3W via RA4LW (d)
8T1M via VU2MLQ
9H3PP via HA5PP (B)
9M8DX/2 via SP5UAF (B)
A52SV via JA2PSV (L)
A5A via JH1AJT (B)
A62A via IZ8CLM (B)
A60ITU via NI5DX (L), eQSL
AM7ITU via EA7NL
AX5PAS via VK5PAS (B), (L), eQSL
CN8QN via EA7FTR
CO6HLP via EA7FTR
CS2W via HB9CRV (B), (L)
CT9/DG0JT via DG0JT (B)
CX5TR via EA5KB (B)
D3AA via UA1QV (B)
E40VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
ED7YAD via EA7URM (B)
EE8X via W2GR (d)
EG5TSL via EA5HRE EURAO-Bureau, eQSL
EG8LZT via EA8TH (B)
EH5ITU via EA5FL (B)
EH8ITU via EA8ADL (B), eQSL
EM100MXA via UT3MC
EM44U via UT7UT (B)
EX8VM via RW6HS (d)
EI2GEO via EI7IS (B)

F/DJ2VO via DJ2VO (B)
F/DL3KBQ via DL3KBQ (B)
GB5LCT via M0XIG (B), (L)
GQ7AXB via GI7AXB (L), eQSL
GQ7VJR via M0OXO (B, & OQRS), (L)
HF20PSP via SP7PKI
HV50VR via I0JBL (d)
ID9Z via IT9TFX (B)
IR0LG via IZ0NNI (B)
IS0/DK7ZB via DK7ZB (B)
IS0/G3RTE via G3RTE (d)
J79KT via JN1NDY (B)
J79YL via JN1NDY (B)
JT7WFF via RZ0SB
GB5LCT via M0XIG
GB6GEO via (B) , G3VOF (d)
HB0/DF5AU via DF5AU, (L)
HF2012FLO via SP3POW
HF20PSP via SP7PKI (B), (L)
J48HW via HA0HW (B)
JT5NM via UA4NW (d)
JT7WFF via RZ0SB (B)
K7M via AI4U (B)
KH8/KL7RRC via N7RO (B)
LX7I via LX2A (B)
KH0/RA9FEX via RA9FEX
LA/DL2RNS via DL2RNS (B)
LA/DL2VFR via DL2VFR (B)
LA/DL5DSM via DL5DSM (B)
LA/DL9UBF via DL9UBF (B), (L), eQSL
M/YO9AYN via YO9AYN
MJ0CFW via M0CFW (d), (L)
MQ0EPC via MM0DFV (B)
MU/PA0VHA via PA0VHA (B)
MU/PA2A via PA2A
NH2T via W2YC (d), (L)
OM100IG via OM3BY (B)
OY6FRA via OY1JD (L), (d), eQSL
OZ1RDP via DL9BCP (B)
P29ZL via W1YRC
P40X via JA3AVO (B), (L)
P49Y via AE6Y (B), (L)
PH9HB/AM via PH9HB (d)
PJ5/G4MFW via ZS1FJ (B)
PZ5P via UA4LU (B), (L)
SD7V/6 via DL2VFR (B)
SM6/DM5LS via DM5LS (B)
SN10PK via SP9KAJ (B)
SN2012UEFA via SP4ICP (B)
SO7B via SQ7PGO (B), (L), eQSL

ST2AR via S53R (d), (L)
SV5/OK1AMM via OK1AMM (B)
SV5/OK2BC via OK2BC (B)
SV5/OK2BOB via OK2BOB (B)
SV8/HA0HW via HA0HW (B)
SV8/N6GQ via N6GQ (d), (L)
SV9/SQ9UM via SQ9UM (B)
SW8A via LZ1QN (B)
ST2NH via EA7FTR
SX1912K via SZ2RCP (B)
T6MO via K9GY (B), (L)
T88TF via JA1VND
TC1ILH via TA1HZ (B)
TC6KLH via TA1HZ (B)
TC7C via RA1QQ (B)
TK/IZ4BBF via IZ4BBF (B), (L), eQSL
TK/PA3ALK via PA3ALK
TM12O via EA2TT (B)
TM2PY via F5MDF (B)
TM5FI via F5XX (B)
TM80SM via F5INJ (B), (L)
TO6T via F6HMQ (B)
UA9FAR via EA7FTR
UP0L via DL8KAC (d)
V26E via AB2E (d), (L)
V31UB via KU5B (d), (L)
V63DX via JA7HMZ (d)
V63ZP via JA7ZP (d)
V6A via JA7HMZ (d)
VK9LHI via VK3HF
VK9PN via VK2PN
VP5/JA1EAX via JH1BXH
VP5/JH1BXH via JH1BXH
W6G via KM6DA
XF3LH via PT2OP (B)
XP2I via OZ1BII (B)
XX9E via EB7DX (d)
YV7BMZ via EA7FTR
YE0X via YB0ZZ (B)
YP0WFF via YO2KQT (d)
(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = LoTW

QSLs arrived direct: 5C2SG, IB0/IZ7ATN/p (IZ7ATN), 9A/IZ7ATN/p

QSLs arrived via LoTW: 4S7KKG, 3XY1D, 4Z4DX, 5V7CC, 7Q7PRO, 7Z7AA,
8Q7CC, 9M2CQC, 9M8Z, AT2DW, BA7IO, CQ7OA, CS5F, CT1/CT3FN, CU1/CT3FN,
DL3KVR, DP5A, DU1/GM3POI, DV1/JO7KMB, E4/OK1FHI, E41/OK1FHI, EA1VT,
EA5HT, EA6/F4BKV, EA9LZ, ED9Z, EM350S, GM0AXY, GQ3VQO, GR100MGY,

GS3PYE/p, H2T, HB9CIC, JA4FKX, JD1BYO, JR2BYJ, JW5EBA, K4BP, N1BJ/KH2,
KK7S, KP2/K3CT, LR3M, LU5FF, MW/HB9CZF/p, N7AT, NC1I, OE9MON, OH3OJ,
OH3OJ/p, OI3OJ, OJ0X, OK1FHI, OK1NF/p, OK7T, PA0ZAV, PJ2/AA9A,
PJ4/OK7MT, PJ4Z, PS0S, PY0S/PS7JN, PY4RGS, PY6KY, PZ5P, RA6JZ, SN70E,
SP5CNA, SV9/SM2EKM, TG9/N6HD, TM1F, TO3J, TO3X, UX3IW, V5/GI4DOH,
VP2/W7YAQ, VP5/KE1B, WB2REM, W3TZ, WL7E, WP4U, YC9WZJ/7, YC9WZJ/p,
YJ0VK, YL2GP, ZW0S, ZX2B, ZY0SAT, ZY0SG, ZY0SK, ZZ2T,

QSLs arrived via buro:
4Z4ML, 9G5SG (JA7SGV), 9Q50ON, CT8/DK6EA/LH (EU-175), CU3AC,
EA6/M0DLL (EU-004), HB0/DL2JRM, IS0/DL8JJ/m, MJ/PB0P/p (EU-013),
MM1REK/p (EU-010), OH0/PB5A (EU-002), OH00/SP7VC (EU-002), OH9AA/p
(EU-126, DL5ME), OZ0OV (EU-088, DL8AAV), P29VEK (OC-008, JA8VE),
PS7LN, PY2BI, PY2FN, SV8/SV2KGA (EU-067), TA4/DG1RYC, TC7ZLH,
TG/DL5RMH, TJ3MC/p (AF-095), TK/OE2WNL (EU-014), TM0Z (EU-105, F5EOT),
TT8FT (via F4EGS), V55SRT (IZ8EDJ), ZS6AKU

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790. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1337666401@panix.com>
Source record: 2957
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

791. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1337666701@panix.com>
Source record: 2958
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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792. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 11:06:08 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93411cf0483ee04c09e014e@google.com>
Source record: 2959
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Yaesu FT1D Digital Handheld

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YIXkU1n_r8U/yaesu_ft1d_digital_handheld.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

One of the most eagerly awaited products at Dayton Hamvention was the new Yaesu FT1D digital and FM handheld. The FT1D boasts a number of interesting innovations

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Italian radio amateurs help out after quake

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/E6zHqux68gc/italian_radio_amateurs_help_out_after_quake.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An earthquake measuring 6.0 on the Ritcher scale shook Italy's industrial and densely populated northeast on Sunday, killing at least six people, felling homes and factories and bringing down historic church steeples

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Canadian 60 metre consultation - additional information

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5UJzXO9cP40/60_metre_consultation_additional_information.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The consultation paper regarding the addition of Canadian 60m frequencies was gazetted this past Saturday - however, please be aware of the deadline for comments

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QRP video from Morse Cove

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_Yrl5rhht-w/qrp_video_from_morse_cove.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rem K6BBQ and Bill KF6RMK went to Morse Cove (San Rafael, CA) to operate during the QRP To The Field contest

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Listen to HORYU-2 on the Web

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0iMLI79QYKM/listen_to_horyu2_on_the_web.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrei YO8SSQ and Cezar YO8TLC have made available a web based receiver to enable listeners to hear the new amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 when it's within range of Romania

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IOTA DXpedition Postponed!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_V-cLLdx6gU/iota_dxpedition_postponed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rick, K6VVA, has announced that his IOTA DXpedition (NA-175, NA-050 and NA-004) has now been rescheduled for hopefully better propagation during 2013

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IOTA DXpedition Tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0uv-ut-pNyE/iota_dxpedition_tour.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Three amateur radio operators plan to be active from Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA 0013) between July 16-20th, before heading south to France

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Daylight meteor showers are here

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9yappOF5Was/daylight_meteor_showers_are_here.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

If you have never experienced any meteor scatter signals on VHF before, then now is your chance to learn something about it

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EUFF Green Party 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pBa8C7uLeTM/euff_green_party_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The YOFF team of the SRR (Romanian Society of Radioamateurs) and the ARER (Romanian Association of Environmentalists Radioamateurs) invite all the radio amateurs to join them in the EUFF Green Party 2012

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RSGB respond to Interference Consultation

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jrGH8sQA3y4/rsgb_respond_to_interference_consultation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has made a formal input to the Ofcom consultation on proposed new Regulations to provide Ofcom with powers to take action in cases of interference from non-wireless telegraphy apparatus

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Elmsett School on the air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xMTrHUt256k/elmsett_school_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GQ3CO Colchester Radio Amateurs will be on the air from Elmsett School, Elmsett, Ipswich, Suffolk, this Saturday 26th May from around 10am

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R9ITIVTYo3I/history_21_may.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

793. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 14:16:37 UTC
From: Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <WmU78QFF$5uPFwGL@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2960
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <14dae93411cf0483ee04c09e014e@google.com>, Southgate Amateur
Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> writes
>Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
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>//
>Yaesu FT1D Digital Handheld
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>Posted:
>http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YIXkU1n_r8U/yaesu_ft1
>d_digital_handheld.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
>
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>new Yaesu FT1D digital and FM handheld. The FT1D boasts a number of
>interesting innovations
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Yippee it's digital. But does it work on dStar, DMR or its own bespoke
system? What use is it in the existing real world???
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Bill

794. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 14:44:08 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20120522154408.00001b63@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 2961
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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Well, you could use it as a missile-of-last-resort...

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Brian Morrison

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 15:09:34 UTC
From: Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <6VeAQeHuw6uPFwQL@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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>> bespoke system? What use is it in the existing real world???
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>Well, you could use it as a missile-of-last-resort...

Fair point, any other ideas?

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Bill

796. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 16:14:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403ef293d2b04c0a24e64@google.com>
Source record: 2963
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge

Posted: 21 May 2012 09:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347115-75th-Anniversary-of-the-Golden-Gate-Bridge&goto=newpost

N6G, Special Event station, celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge.

Event Details: May 26, 27 2012, 00:00 - 23:59, or later if needed. Phone only. Frequencies of 21.265, 14.265 and 7.265 +/- QRM. (Also possibly 10 and 80 meters added) QSL direct via AE6YB.

The Golden Gate Bridge is one of the most internationally recognized symbols of San Francisco, California, and of the United States. Construction began on January 5, 1933 and the project cost more than $35 million. When completed in 1937, the Golden Gate Bridge had the longest suspension bridge main span in the world, at 4,200 feet (1,280.2 m). The total length of the Golden Gate Bridge, including approaches from abutment to abutment, is 8,981 feet (2,737 m). At 692 feet (211m) (above water), the Golden Gate Bridge also had the world's tallest suspension towers when built. The color of the bridge is officially an orange vermillion called international orange.

Hope to hear you on the air for our Special Event!

73,

Will, AE6YB

797. eHam.net News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-22 22:08:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410ab58bc3e04c0a74396@google.com>
Source record: 2964
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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'Promote Use of Amateur Radios in Rescues':

Posted: 21 May 2012 05:23 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28337

KUALA LUMPUR: Amateur radios could be the key to communicate with people in distress and, therefore, collaboration between government agencies and amateur radio users should be intensified. Information Department director-general Ibrahim Abd Rahman said integration between the two should be encouraged as it helped the agencies to build good rapport and teamwork spirit. He said agencies like the Fire and Rescue Department, Civil Defence Department (JPA3), police, Malaysian Red Crescent Society (MRCS), hospitals, Royal Malaysian Air Force and the Department of Civil Aviation should work together with amateur radio users. "Working together will ensure search and rescue (SAR) missions are carried out more efficiently and professionally," he said at the opening of Hamfest Malaysia 2012, while representing deputy Information, Communications and Culture Minister Datuk Maglin Dennis D'Cruz.

798. The ARRL Contest Update for May 23, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 05:03:26 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120523042114.7F18925D07@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2965
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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May 23, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The CW weekend of the CQ WPX (Worked PrefiX) Contest will be held in
what looks to be good late-spring conditions - keep your fingers
crossed and the prefix table handy! Digifest is a relatively new
contest that exercises the growing number of digital modes in a single
contest. It also calculates contact point value according to the
distance between stations.

BULLETINS

Dayton contest festivity-goers, Contest University attendees, and those
who watched at home will be sad to learn that the guy who made the
Internet audio-video feeds sing - Tom Samacicio KB4HQA - was in a
serious automobile accident on his way home from the Hamvention and
suffered significant injuries. Cards to Tom's home address (3740 Wake
Robin Way, Cumming, GA 30040) or email <kb4hqa@hqaradio.com> messages
are welcome. Your editor and members of the Spurious Emissions band in
particular wish him a speedy recovery along with the readership of the
Contest Update. Online posting of the Dayton contest activity videos
are a far lower priority than Tom's recovery. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

The weekly SNS and NS CW Sprints <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>
are now preceded by a short RTTY sprint, as well! (Thanks, Ed W0YK)
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BUSTED QSOS

Penalty points have been taken from your editor's score for the typo changing SM3EVR's call sign to SM5EVR - Sorry, Tord! (Thanks, Trey N5KO and Glenn K6NA) And the photos of WG0AT's operations should be credited to WG0AT. (Thanks, John AE5X)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

May 26-27

- Worldwide EME Contest
- CQ WW WPX Contest--CW
- QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint--CW (May 28)
- MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint

Jun 2-3

- Ten-Ten Open Season--Digital
- Digifest--Digital
- LZ Open 20 Meter Contest--CW
- Maritime (Canadian) QSO Party
- SEANET Contest
- UKSMG Sporadic E Contest
- IARU Region I Field Day--CW
- Alabama QSO Party
- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Jun 4)
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Jun 5)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

New releases of the HF Super Check Partial <http://www.supercheckpartial.com> (SCP) and the VHF Super Check Partial and Prefill <http://www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/> database files are now available. From the HF release notes we learn that the file is based on more than 40,000 calls and for the RTTY file, just over 11,000 calls. That's a lot of active stations! To check the version of the HF SCP files you are using, look for a call beginning with "VER". Every SCP file includes the version number in the list of calls as "VERYYYYMMDD". On the VHF side, the release version number is 20120513_00. Only 2011 plus Jan 2012 Logs were used in building the 2012 release of the VHF file. For either HF or VHF, W9ZRX notes, "...these files are intended for use ONLY as an OPERATING AID. Their availability does not mitigate the responsibility of the user to COPY and ENTER the exchange given to them during a contest." Even with computing power applied, the contest remains a test of operator skill! (Thanks, Bob WA1Z and Dave W9ZRX)

WRTC2014, Inc. has announced that a draft of the competition rules <http://www.wrtc2014.org/contest/wrtc-rules/> has been made available for review. These are the rules that will be followed by the onsite competitors. There will be a 30-day open review period. Comments,

suggestions, and corrections are welcome during the comment period and should be sent by email <rules@wrtc2014.org>. The comment period will close on June 18, 2012 and the final rules will be released before July 1, 2012. The rules are very similar to those used at WRTC 2010 in Russia. The most significant change is to rule 16.2.4 that allows both radios to transmit at any time. (Thanks, Andy N2NT)

Kenwood has released a new HF transceiver, the TS-990S. Roving Contest Update reporter Bob N6TV took the photo at right and observed, "The 57-pound TS-990S was displayed under glass with the rear panel completely covered so it is still quite the mystery box. The sub-receiver performance is claimed to be equivalent to a TS-590S." Bob was not sure whether it would support phase lock between the two receivers for true diversity reception. Bob also asked about including a waterfall display as part of the spectrum display like the Elecraft P3 but no news will be available until the Friedrichshafen hamfest. The price is in the $5,000 to $10,000 range and the radio is expected to be available by November.

The 2012 inductees to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame were celebrated at the Dayton Contest Dinner. The first was Lothar Wilke, DL3TD (SK), a leading contester and promoter of contesting in Germany. Under his leadership, DA0HQ won the IARU World Championship 11 times. It was good to see a number of German hams there to honor his memory and the full ceremony will take place at the Friedrichshafen hamfest <http://www.hamradio-friedrichshafen.de/>. The second inductee was on-hand to receive his honor -- Jim Reisert, AD1C - he maintains and constantly updates the CTY country and prefix files on which all of us depend for proper operation of our logging software. Jim is also an active contester with a lot of top scores under his belt. In addition, Gail Sheehan, K2RED, Managing Editor for CQ magazine also received an award of recognition for her 30 years of service to the CQ WW and WPX Contest Managers and the contest community.

On this anniversary of the Joplin tornado, it is a good idea to remind US hams to have the NOAA/NWS weather station frequencies programmed into their handheld VHF radio memories.
162.400/425/450/475/500/525/550 MHz
Your editor has them programmed into the "top" seven channels - meaning the memories with the highest numbers. With the "usual" channels (favorite repeaters, simplex frequencies, etc) beginning at memory 1, the WX channels are never more than a few clicks away. This can be very handy when the clouds roll in.

Web Site of the Week - Dave W6NL turned up a great website "QSL Cards from the Past <http://oldqslcards.com/>" by W8JYZ featuring many old QSL cards, including many of famous hams, such as a 1929 card from David Packard 9DRV <oldqslcards.com/9DRV.pdf> before he founded Hewlett-Packard. Dave also recommends "The History of Wireless: How Creative Minds Produced Technology for the Masses <http://www.amazon.com/dp/0980038308/amateurradio-20>" by Ira Brodsky.

The book begins with critical elements of research by scientists like Volta and Hertz, moving along through subsequent developments right up to the present day - and beyond.

==> WORD TO THE WISE

Contest University Glossary - Pat N9RV did a lot of leg work and created an extensive glossary of all the contest jargon we take for granted. Presented to the Contest University <http://contestuniversity.com> students at the Dayton Hamvention, you too can use it as soon as it is posted on the ARRL Contest website <http://www.arrl.org/contest-glossary>.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

>From AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org> bulletin ANS-141, "51 years ago on May 5, 1961, NASA launched the Mercury-Redstone 3 rocket carrying Alan B. Shepard, Jr. aboard the Freedom 7 capsule. Shepard successfully became America's first man in space, making a brief but historic suborbital test flight that propelled American astronauts into the space race of the 1960s. NASA has compiled a video <http://www.universetoday.com/95016/the-view-from-freedom-7/> from from photographs taken by a film camera mounted to the Freedom 7 spacecraft. Compare the view in 1961 with the latest generation of space video we routinely receive from the ISS!

The "falling derrick" technique of raising medium and small towers seems to be catching on as in this YouTube video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F_oYsijKlSg>. I'm not sure the human counterweight is a very good idea but the video does illustrate the idea pretty well. (Thanks, Steve N2IC)

If you had a good time at the Dayton Hamvention, you might also enjoy the latest music video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6RzD7N-5zJI&feature=share> from Andrew and Lissa of the Ham Band. In fact, there seem to be three Lissas in this one! Bela Fleck of banjo fame is featured, too. (Thanks, Doug K1DG)

Wouldn't this <http://www.instructables.com/id/Gas-powered-pencil-sharpener-for-students-that-sp/>have been just the thing for a pre-computer logging multi-multi or maybe your next Field Day operation?

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Great contest result writeups from two new authors will be on-line <http://www.arrl.org/results-records-and-awards> by the end of this week for the 2011 ARRL 10 Meter Contest (Scott K7ZO) and the 2012 January VHF Sweepstakes (Kevin W9GKA). Featuring a lot of graphics and in-depth analysis, you'll definitely want to read these. The 6 meter "play-by-play" maps developed by John K9JK will really whet your appetite for the upcoming ARRL June VHF QSO Party. Ken WM5R has also

updated the 10 Meter Contest records which have a lot of new call signs! Section records for the September VHF QSO Party have been updated to 2011. Comments and corrections are welcome (although we already know about a minor problem with the million-plus scores in the Multi-Op table). (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The results of last year's CQ-M contest <http://www.srr.ru/CONTEST/cqm_2011_res.php> are now available online. You'll find the rules there, too. (Thanks, Henk PA5KT)

The Kansas City DX Club hosted the annual CW Pileup Contest <http://www.srr.ru/CONTEST/cqm_2011_res.php> at the Dayton Hamvention again this year. For the past couple of years Chuck NO5W's "horse race" display of real-time action (seen at right) has drawn lots of viewers and 2012 was no different. The winner was Dave K5GN with 76 calls out of the possible 100 - a very high score, indeed! Dave last won the contest during his last visit to the KCDXC hospitality suite - 30 years ago! First prize was a Yaesu FT-450 - we think Dave will come back next year to defend his title.

Kevin W9GKA writes, "Congratulations to Zack W9SZ for being awarded the 2012 June gavel last night at the Society of Midwest Contesters <http://www.w9smc.com/> hospitality suite in Dayton ! Zack has done a great job over the years at activating everything up through 24 GHz and most of the time in portable conditions with only a few watts and using equipment he scratch built."

OPERATING TIP

Study propagation for the summer contests - it's changing rapidly. Propagation for the end-of-May WPX CW contest is very different than for the end-of-March WPX SSB contest. Adjust your strategy or pick your categories accordingly!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Steven K9IER writes, "For years, I've enjoyed reading iFixit without ever thinking about its applicability to our needs, especially a new ham wanting to build stuff and needing electronic skills <http://www.ifixit.com/Guide/Electronics-Skills-101/6190/1>. In addition, they offer a supply of tools and things that support the interests of a repair person or just any curious ham."

The slim new book, "The ABCs of Software Defined Radio <http://www.arrl.org/shop/The-ABCs-of-Software-Defined-Radio/>" by Martin Ewing, AA6E is an excellent introduction to the practical characteristics and use of SDRs. Avoiding the usual math-heavy treatments of SDR and DSP, the book includes a few block diagrams but focuses on what SDR does and how it affects operating. With nearly every new radio incorporating digital technology to greater and greater extents, this is a good first read to start you down the on-ramp to the SDR highway.

Two recent articles on the Electronic Design web site make good
reference reading. The first explains the difference between voltage
feedback and current feedback op amps
<http://electronicdesign.com/print/power/whats-difference-voltagefeedback-currentfeedback-op-amps-73839>.
A second goes through all of the new (and old) amplifier operating
classes
<http://electronicdesign.com/print/analog-and-mixed-signal/understanding-amplifier-operating-classes-73619>,
explaining the differences.

Jim K9YC has discovered a line-loss modeling program called SimSmith
<http://www.ae6ty.com/Smith_Charts.html>, a Java application written by
Ward AE6TY with documentation available from the program's website. One
application is translating impedance measured at the shack end of a
feed line to impedance at the antenna. The resulting SWR data can then
be used to design matching networks, for example.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Microwave Journal
<http://www.microwavejournal.com> offers a number of live and archived
webinars in association with Besser and Associates. The most recent
entry is Mixers and Frequency Conversion
<https://mwjournalevents.webex.com/mw0307l/mywebex/default.do?nomenu=true&siteurl=mwjournalevents&service=6&rnd=0.8198823829641093&main_url=https%3A%2F%2Fmwjournalevents.webex.com%2Fec0606l%2Feventcenter%2Fevent%2FeventAction.do%3FtheAction%3Ddetail%26confV>
and an extensive archive of previous material is available from the
Events page.

==> CONVERSATION

A Happy Blur

The Dayton Hamvention generally goes like this for me:

- Step One - preparation
- Step Two - panic as preparation falls behind
- Step Three - leave for Dayton anyway
- Step Four - engage in several days of high-bandwidth hamming
- Step Five - drive home wondering "What just happened?"

This year was no different. There is so much to see and so many
friends to greet that you just have to forget about doing it "all". I'm
not even sure anyone knows what "all" is, anyway! Sometimes I feel like
a dog with its head outside the car, ears flapping in the wind, happily
barking at anything and everything - "Hey! Hey! Hey!" (as well as
asking, "You gonna eat that?")

I really enjoy the Visalia International DX Convention, too - it's like
Sweepstakes in that you can find and work every multiplier - but the
Dayton Hamvention is like the CQ World Wide. There's no way you'll even
hear every mult, much less work them! If you go, be prepared to come
back having left more than a few things undone and faces unseen.

Just wandering around listening to the sounds was very cool - over here was the chatter of antique telegraph sounders. Around the corner was the busy stitching at one of the several embroidery booths as another call sign went on another new baseball cap. Audio Alley sported lots to listen to - every time I went by one of the Ham Nation <twit.tv/hn> hosts was busy giving an interview or telling a story. Radio noise and conversations were everywhere. It is possibly the one place left on Earth where conversations on handhelds outnumber those on mobile phones.

And thanks to the Dayton Hamvention committee, led by Mike Kalter W8CI, for a lot of hard work that paid off over the weekend. The weather could not have been better and attendance seemed to be very good with a big Friday turnout, especially. Putting on such a big show is a lot of work and takes a lot of time that might be put to other uses, such as ham radio operating. We appreciate it!

I'll be posting photos from Dayton throughout the next couple of issues - some of people, some of gear - it was all good. Support your local hamfest(s) this year - you won't regret it. Maybe even serve on the planning committee or volunteer your time at an information booth or in the parking lot. And do put Dayton on your "bucket list" if you haven't been there yet.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

23 May through 5 June 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CQ WW WPX Contest--CW, from May 26, 0000Z to May 27, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Jun 20. Rules <http://www.cqwpx.com>

QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint--CW, from May 27, 8 PM to May 27, Midnight. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C QRP number or power. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint--CW, from May 28, 2300Z to May 29, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, MI QRP number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org>

Ten-Ten Open Season--Digital, from Jun 2, 0000Z to Jun 3, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, S/P/C, member numbers. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org>

Digifest--Digital, from Jun 2, 0400Z to see website. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and grid square. Logs due:

7 days. Rules <http://www.mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/index.html>

LZ Open 20 Meter Contest--CW, from Jun 2, 1100Z to Jun 2, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 14. Exchange: 6-digit serial and serial from previous QSO. Logs due: 10 days. Rules <http://www.lzopen.com>

Maritime (Canadian) QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 2, 1200Z to Jun 3, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: 25 to 50 kHz from band edge. Exchange: Maritime county or S/P/C. Logs due: 1 month. Rules <http://www.maritimecontestclub.com>

SEANET Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 2, 1200Z to Jun 3, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW--3.525, 7.025, 14.025, 21.025, 28.025, SSB--3.540/3.790, 7.090, 14.320, 21.320, 28.320. Exchange: RS(T), serial. Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://2012sea.net>

IARU Region I Field Day--CW, from Jun 2, 1500Z to Jun 3, 1459Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, serial. Rules - see IARU society websites

Alabama QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 2, 1600Z to Jun 3, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: CW--1.810, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045; PH--1.865, 3.855, 7.230, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450. Exchange: RS(T) and AL county or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.alabamaqsoparty.org>

DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest--Digital, from Jun 3, 1100Z to Jun 3, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST, serial number. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://tinyurl.com/3o3kobs>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Jun 4, 1600Z to see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, Frequencies: First through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Jun 5, 0200Z to Jun 5, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone,CW, from May 26, 0000Z to May 27, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.2G. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org>

UKSMG Sporadic E Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 2, 1300Z to Jun 3, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 50, Frequencies: No QSOs below 50.080 or from 50.100-130 MHz. Exchange: RST, member nr, 6-char grid locator. Logs due: Jul 1. Rules <http://www.uksmg.org>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Jun 4, 1600Z to see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, Frequencies: First through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

==> LOG DUE DATES

23 May through 5 June 2012

- May 23 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>
- May 26 - Feld Hell Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprint-rules>
- May 27 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest <http://fpqrp.org/pigrun/>
- May 28 - QRP to the Field <http://www.zianet.com/qrp/QRPTTF/ttf.html>
- May 29 - SP DX RTTY Contest <http://www.pkrvg.org/zbior.html>
- May 29 - 50 MHz Spring Sprint
<http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints/2012-announcement-rules>
- May 30 - International Vintage Contest HF
<http://www.contestvintage.beepworld.it/rules-2012.htm>
- May 31 - BARTG Sprint 75
<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/contests/sprint75/rules/2012/bartg-spring-sprint75-rules.pdf>
- May 31 - Florida QSO Party
<http://www.floridaqsoparty.org/rules.html>
- May 31 - Nebraska QSO Party <http://www.hdxa.net/neqso/12nqp_rl.pdf>
- May 31 - AGCW QRP/QRP Party
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests_and_CW-activities:QRP-QRP-Party>
- May 31 - Holyland DX Contest
<http://www.iarc.org/%7E4z1pf/Holyland%20Contest%202011%20booklet.pdf>
- May 31 - CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest
<http://www.powerline.com.br/cwjf/Regulamento_Ing.pdf>
- May 31 - MIE 33 Contest
<http://www.ztv.ne.jp/isoda/33/annual/35/35rule-e.html>
- May 31 - QRP Minimal Art Session
<http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/mas/qrpmasr-e.html>
- June 1 - South Dakota QSO Party
<http://www.k0mcm.com/K0MCM/SD_QSO_Party.html>
- June 2 - 7th Call Area QSO Party
<http://www.codxc.com/new/Page.asp?Content=DRYLAND7S&Page=3>
- June 2 - Portuguese Navy Day Contest
<http://www.nra.pt/navy--contest-2012-in.html>
- June 2 - Slobozhansky Sprint Contest
<http://tdr.at.ua/index/rules2012/0-13>
- June 3 - WAB LF Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>
- June 4 - EU PSK DX Contest
<http://eu.srars.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=20&Itemid=48>
- June 5 - New England QSO Party <http://www.neqp.org/rules.html>

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799. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 08:51:59 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20120523095159.000003db@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 2966
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Tue, 22 May 2012 15:16:37 +0100
Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk> wrote:

> In message <14dae93411cf0483ee04c09e014e@google.com>, Southgate
> Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> writes
> >Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
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> >//
> >Yaesu FT1D Digital Handheld
> >
> >Posted:
> >http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YIXkU1n_r8U/yaesu_ft1
> >d_digital_handheld.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
> >
> >One of the most eagerly awaited products at Dayton Hamvention was
> >the new Yaesu FT1D digital and FM handheld. The FT1D boasts a
> >number of interesting innovations
> >
>
> Yippee it's digital. But does it work on dStar, DMR or its own
> bespoke system? What use is it in the existing real world???

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taking questions after the FTdx3000 and FT1D presentation:

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be a disaster for Yaesu"

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Brian Morrison

800. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 09:44:50 UTC
From: Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <fiA59ReSGLvPFwPW@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2967
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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Really useful then?

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Totally, do they think that coming in this late with yet another
standard is going to do them any good?

But looking on the bright side, it is digital!!!!!!!!
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Bill

801. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 23 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 11:04:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d2e816bad04c0b217e5@google.com>
Source record: 2968
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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75th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge - Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1GImkoQJxX8/golden_gate_bridge_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

N6G is a special event station celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the
opening of the Golden Gate Bridge

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VK9PN DXpedition to Lord Howe Island starts today!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ux2x_zX4n5g/vk9pn_dxpedition_to_lord_howe_island_starts_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Patrick, VK2PN and Mira OK1NG are flying out for a week on Lord Howe Island
today, to be joined later by Chris VK3FY. Amateur radio activity from the
Island is low, so this is a very sought-after location

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New transatlantic 144MHz beacon GB3WGI

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Y4tvRq5k_Nk/new_transatlantic_144mhz_beacon_gb3wgi.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On the 18th of May, 2012, Ofcom issued a NoV for another propagation beacon
to test the possibility of a 144MHz transatlantic path from the UK

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Emergency Agencies should work with Radio Amateurs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VD1Y0w_m_40/emergency_agencies_should_work_with_radio_amateurs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Straits Times newspaper reports that the use of amateur radio in
rescues should be promoted

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70 MHz, 2.4 and 3.4 GHz now available in Poland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2hIaUcMJHcs/new_bands_in_poland.htm?utm

_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paweł Zakrzewski SP7TEV reports on new bands available in Poland

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xh5fucw5P7U/wca_2305.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There are a number of World Castles Award operations planned between now
and the end of May

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Radio transmitter causes bomb scare

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4mAZhBXdHg4/radio_transmitter_causes_bomb_scare.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC report that a suspicious device triggered a bomb alert in Surrey

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Ham Radio on ABC Breakfast Show

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hB0qrwIk_Es/ham_radio_on_abc_breakfast_show.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Australian ABC radio Breakfast Show has broadcast an interview in which
Noel Ferguson VK3FI talks about amateur radio and the International Space
Station (ISS)

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Co-inventor of Wireless Remote dies at 96

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oAzpmsc6hOs/co_inventor_of_wireless_remote_dies_at_96.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Eugene Polley, who with Robert Adler, developed the TV remote control in
1955 passed away Sunday, May 20 at the age of 96

802. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 11:16:31 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20120523121631.00000338@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 2969
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Wed, 23 May 2012 10:44:50 +0100
Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk> wrote:

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> >cell service. All you can do is talk to another FT-1D unless you
> >switch it to analog.
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> Really useful then?

Well I didn't know this when I made my missile comment, but it looks
like I correctly assessed the usefulness of this expensive new flop.

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> >fact that its also an APRS rig wont even help because you can get a
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> But looking on the bright side, it is digital!!!!!!!!
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Every cloud... has spinning platters!

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Brian Morrison

803. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 11:54:43 UTC
From: Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <n7En7ohDANvPFwpP@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2970
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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804. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 12:34:02 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20120523133402.00004adf@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 2971
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Wed, 23 May 2012 12:54:43 +0100
Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk> wrote:

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Brian Morrison

805. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 13:11:03 UTC
From: Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <T4NarminHOvPFw$m@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2972
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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806. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 13:25:34 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20120523142534.00007793@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 2973
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Wed, 23 May 2012 14:11:03 +0100
Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk> wrote:

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Brian Morrison

807. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 13:26:08 UTC
From: atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <jpiohl$ao3$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2974
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On 23/05/2012 11:11 PM, Bill wrote:
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X-No-Archive: Yes

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 15:27:18 UTC
From: Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <m3RnoxlWHQvPFwZK@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2975
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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>fairly proprietary...

They have, their capacity plus, sort of trunking, and their text
messaging is propriety. But the back bone, DMR, is not. So you get
the situation where you can have Hytera and Motorola radios working and
talking to one another on the same system, just with limited facilities.
>

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Bill

809. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 22 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 15:28:52 UTC
From: Bill <Bill@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <XXJrgLm0IQvPFw9B@birchnet.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2976
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <jpiohl$ao3$1@dont-email.me>, atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com>
writes
>On 23/05/2012 11:11 PM, Bill wrote:
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>wrong again

There are too many bean counters these days and you know what happens if
you eat too many beans.....

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Bill

810. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 23 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 16:26:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba201cdb4de04c0b6993c@google.com>
Source record: 2977
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VK4ILH Cape Moreton Lighthouse, Moreton Island

Posted: 23 May 2012 02:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347301-VK4ILH-Cape-Moreton-Lighthouse-Moreton-Island&goto=newpost

For this years ILLW a team of 8 operators will take off to Cape Moreton Lighthouse AU0009 / WLOTA Ref: LH2987 located on Moreton Island IOTA OC-137.

Approval was received 2 days ago from the Queensland Parks & Wildlife Service and now everything is in full swing.

We look forward to working other Lighthouses around the globe plus the Lighthouse and IOTA Chasers.

As an added bonus we will have an experienced CW op onboard who will be active all bands 80-10

Further info and updates available on the website at www.capemoreton2012.com and on our qrz.com profile

73

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N5E, Activation of the Tall Ship Elissa for Museum Ships Weekend

Posted: 22 May 2012 02:47 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347230-N5E-Activation-of-the-Tall-Ship-Elissa-for-Museum-Ships-Weekend&goto=newpost

Hello:

We will be activating the Tall Ship Elissa for Museum Ships Weekend. The Elissa is one of the oldest ships a float, and operational, in the world. She is berthed on Galveston Island, NA-143. Operations will be approximately 09:00 - 17:00 local on June 2 and 3, 2012. To our knowledge, this is the first time the Elissa has been activated.

For more information, please see N5E here on QRZ.com.

Hope to hear you in the pileup.

73

Leslie, ad5wb

Galveston Island, Texas

811. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 23 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-23 16:44:52 UTC
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New transatlantic 144MHz beacon GB3WGI

Posted: 23 May 2012 04:23 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347307-New-transatlantic-144MHz-beacon-GB3WGI&goto=newpost

New transatlantic 144MHz beacon GB3WGI

On the 18th of May, 2012, the UK regulator Ofcom issued a NoV for another propagation beacon to test the possibility of a 144MHz transatlantic path from the UK.

Located at Lough Navar Forest in Co Fermanagh, Northern Ireland OSI 06599 57718, 349m asl level with a clear take off over the sea, GB3WGI ("West GI" will radiate on 144.487MHz towards North America, initially with an ERP of 100 Watts relative to a dipole, with plans to increase this if licensing allows.

This beacon was made possible due to the generous donation of a transmitter by Brian Justin, WA1ZMS, the man behind the US 70MHz beacon, and NoV holder, Gordon Curry GI6ATZ who is providing the site and site services.

This NoV is particularly welcome from Ofcom in what is clearly a busy Olympic year, and the VHF weak signal community in the US and the UK thank them for their efforts.

No date is yet fixed for the installation of the beacon, but plans are well under way and an announcement will be made in due course

73

John Worsnop G4BAO

GB3WGI Project Manager

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Steve Ford, WB8IMY
Editor

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MMMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/WEEK 21 2012
2012-05-23 at 18.35 UTC

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-05-23
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: OH0: Aland; square JP90; start 2012-05-24

OH8K/0 will be qrv from JP90SF during the Nordic VUSHF-Meeting 2012

LATEST NEWS by Jussi, OH6ZZ, dated 2012-05-22:

All is prepared for the trip. QRGs are 144131 MHz for EME (JT65B) and
144353 MHz for MS (FSK441).
Both will try to setup their MMMonVHF DXBlog to spread latest News.

The plan from Jussi, OH6ZZ and Sami, OH9GDT will be to join the
Nordic VUSHF-Meeting at Island Aland during 24-27 Mai 2012
(http://vushf.rats.fi/)
They try to be qrv as OH8K/0 on 2m FSK/EME on 25-27 May.
QRG and more details will be spread later...

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ direct to MMMonVHF

**DXCC: 5X: Oeganda; square KJ60; start 2012-05-23

Moonbounce from Uganda, 5X1EME, KJ60GH

Hello MMM

It was a very successfull day. Today we started building up the shack
and the antennas. After a few hours (Atleticoteam has some experience) we
were ready. A big thunderstorm destroyed our preamp so we had to use a spare one.
However we finally could get started two days earlier than announced before.
We have our house the last 20 degrees in front of our moonset, we can't help that.
At the end of the half moonpass we had 53 inits in our log. Not bad considering
the fact that we had no full passage.

Moonbouncing is a hard job (but someone has to do it). Doing all the necessary work
in our house here is impossible for just two DX-ers. So we hired a maid.
She makes breakfast, does the dishes, buys groceries and does wash our clothes
and all other work that has to be done. In this way we will be able to make more
Miles on the moon.

We will be QRV tomorrow from moonrise to moonset 144.134 MHz, 5X1EME always first.

SOURCE:Rene PE1L & Eeltje PA3CEE direct to MMM

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year
(C56EME with 361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz),
Bonaire (PJ4X) and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya (5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's just
the two of us but we know what we are doing. It's a hard job to get the license there.
Callsign is still a bit insecure but we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update via MoonNet,
MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.
If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood.
We have to come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

SOURCE: Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F: France ; square JN14; start 2012-06-02 **

F/PA2CHR/p qev from JN14BU begin of June

During my summer holiday I will be QRV on Saturday 2
June and (if good activity) Sunday 3 June from a
hilltop in Southern France.
This is not a real DX-pedition, just some hours fun.
If you need JN14 locator pse let me know, maybe we
can arrange a sked.

Station 144 MHz: FT857, 150W. PA and 10el.
Station 432 Mhz: FT857, 100W. PA and 21el.

Best 73's

SOURCE: tnx to Chris, PA2CHR, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** DXCC: SP : Poland ; square JO80 **

Hello everyone,

Because of the Global Astronomy Month 2012, a special call sign
SN2012GAM appear on the EME bands. We are going to work on European EME

Contest on 13cm. We are cordially invite you to take a QSO with this special call sign, which will working form the EME Group Klodzko (SP6OPN) station located in Poland.

73, vy
SP6JLW (Andy), SP3QFE (Armi)
and other operators of the EME Group in Klodzko (JO80jk).

SOURCE: Andrej, SP6JLW to MoonNet 2012-04-28

** DXCC: ??; square: ??; start 2012-05-17 **

EME-DXpedition 2012 de DL1YMK

here is web update http://www.ok1dfc.com/Peditions/ymk2012/dl1ymk2012.htm

GL and 73 Zdenek - OK1DFC

The M&M-team is preparing the next EME-DXpedition, taking place in May 2012. We will set out for our destination just after having returned from the Swedish EME Meeting, organised by Lars, SM4IVE, on the weekend 12./13th of May in Oerebro. We hope to reach our destination in time and to get QRV on Thursday, 17th of May (bank holiday in Europe) on 23 cm, followed by 70 cm on 18.05. On Saturday, 19.05., we will be on 13 cm and on Sunday again on 23 cm. 13 cm will be run with a significant increase in power and full 2424 MHz coverage. For the first time during an EME- DXpedition, we intend to get also operational on 6 cm with our old, but proven stressed dish and a new superb feed made by our friend Tommy, WD5AGO. 6 cm will have an experimental character despite some 100 W out, as we could not test so far, if the under-illuminated dish will work up that high in frequency, so keep your fingers crossed!! Our plan is to give it a try on Monday, 21th May. Also, we intend to get active on 3 cm with a separate solid dish, which of course is a lot smaller. Last weekend we made the first test with LX1DB, having installed the dish in our garden place. The tests were not yet satisfying, so our friend Willi right now is trying to help us out with some substantial development aid!
During the DUBUS contest 26./27th of May, we will of course be active on 23 cm in order to boost activity in the moonbounce contest of contests. Our last day of operation will be Thursday, 31st of May. A detailed schedule for the days from 21th May onwards predominantly will depend on the progress with 10GHz in the meantime. Further details to be published soon!! This years DXpedition will be the 9th EME-DXpedition in a sequence for us. We hope to have fun all together as experienced during past years DXpeditions.but this largely depends on you.
Needless to say that it will be again a CW random event, although doodle mode technically is possible (with a new laptop computer) on request. We have no idea yet to what extent (if at all) i-net access is feasable, though.

Vy 73, Michael and Monika

SOURCE: Moon mailing list ; Moon@moonbounce.info

** DXCC: 4X: Israel; square KM72; start 2012-05-17 **

2012 sees the first DXpedition by the group of Dutch radio amateurs
listed below to Israel, who, apart from making QSO's, look forward
to meeting local hams and visiting places of cultural and historical interest.
We will be active from May 17th until May 30th
The first 6 days we will stay in Nes Ammim in the Northwest between Nahariya
and Akko in KM72nx. From there we will travel to Rishon LeZion in KM71jw.

The members of the team during May 2012 are Jaap PA7DA, Loek PA9LUC and XYL,
Hans PA0JBB and SWL Aad van den Nieuwendijk.
At this moment we don't have a 4X callsign and will be QRV according CEPT-regulations with
4X/PA7DA and 4X/PA9LUC. We will operate mainly on 10, 6 and 2m.

More information on the PA7DA website!

SOURCE: tnx to PA7DA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: V3: Belize; square ????; start 2012-05-23 **

Colin, KU5B, will be QRV as V31UB once again between May 23rd and
29th from Belize. Activities are planned on all bands from 160 to
6 m in CW, SSB and RTTY, including an all-band effort in the CQWW
WPX CW Contest. QSL via Homecall, direct only, LoTW.
http://ku5b.com/

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

** DXCC: A5: Bhutan; square ????; start 2012-05-24 **

Zorro, JH1AJT (A5A, A51A), Ted, JJ1LIB (A52F), Aki, JA4EKO (A52GO),
Kazu, JH1OGX (A52KF) and Jon, KL2A (A52X), of the "Foundation for
Global Children" DX group will be QRV as A5A between May 24th and
June 6th. Planned activities are from 80 m - 6 m in SSB, CW, and
RTTY with 3 stations in parallel. They're hoping to provide many
DXers with this rare DXCC. QSL A5A via JH1AJT.
http://bhutan2012.com/

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

** DXCC: VP5: Turks and Caicos; square ????; start 2012-05-24 **

JH1BXH and JA1EAX will continue their activity until May 24th with
VP5/ prefixes, from 80 - 6 m in CW and SSB. QSLs via JH1BXH

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

** DXCC: 6O: Somalia; square ????; start 2012-05-25 **

Darko, J28AA/E70A, will be QRV as 6O3A from Hargesia again, between
May 25th and 31st. Activities will be on HF in SSB and RTTY, as well
as on 50 MHz. QSL via E77E or K2PF.
http://bhcc.ba/

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

** DXCC: V6: Micronesia; square ????; start 2012-05-25 **

Sho, JA7HMZ and Akio, JA7ZP will work as V63DX and V63ZP respectively
from Pohnpei island (OC-010, WW Loc. QJ96) from May 25th to 29th.
They will be QRV from 40 m to 6 m in all modes and take part in the
CQWW WPX CW Contest as V6A. QSLs V63DX and V6A via JA7HMZ,
V63ZP via JA7ZP, both direct only.

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

** DXCC: 9H: Maltha; square JM75; start 2012-05-26 **

Island of Malta qrv on HF and 50 MHz

Zoli, HA5PP, will once again be active from the island of Malta (EU-023,
MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, CQ zone 15) as 9H3PP during the CQWW WPX CW Contest
(26-27 May, 2012). Plans are for a Single-Op/Single-Band entry, either 15m or 10m.
After the contest Zoli will focus on some 6m and 12m activity. QSL via home call.

SOURCE: [NG3K] via ICPO Bulletin (03 - 10 February 2012)

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP43; start 2012-06-08 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV as OH7UV from KP43RL with 100 W in 4 el.

There is a radia amateur summer meeting in Eastern Finland and their meight
be some activity on VHF and UHF too.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: I: Italy; square JN56; start 2012-06-09 **

Steffen DD0VF qrv from JN56RM as IN3/DD0VF in June

This year some mountain hiking in South Tyrol again.
I'll be QRV in the morning and evening for MS. Reasonable
good take off from QTF 40-60 and 180-290 (G/GW shall work

with some offset to south).
Rig: only 50W, 4 or 7el (depending on space of balkony)

I could be also QRV from abt 2500m asl for a few hours
(possible calls IN3/DD0VF, IW3/DD0VF, HB9/DD0VF)

Let me know if you still need JN56.

SOURCE: tnx to Steffen direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VU: India; square ????; start 2012-05-23 **

Until July 8th, Taj, VU2DJ, Sabu, VU2ELJ, Sree, VU2OB, Prabin,
VU2POL, Peeter, VU2PJP, Murali, VU2FWW, Thomas, VU2VJT, Sunil,
VU2ATB, Ashraf, VU3MTY, Mujeeb, VU3WII and Sanal, VU3SIO, will
activate the special call sign 8T1M from 160 - 2 Meter in CW, SSB,
PSK, RTTY, FM and D-STAR. QSL via VU2MLQ.
http://www.malabarradiohams.org/

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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814. eHam.net News for Wednesday 23 May 2012

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Message-ID: <14dae93411cfe0f19504c0bbbb19@google.com>
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eHam.net News

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Former ARRL First Vice President Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML (SK):

Posted: 23 May 2012 06:46 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28355

After a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer, Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, of Dumont, New Jersey, passed away May 23. He was 67. An ARRL Life Member, Mendelsohn began his time with ARRL in 1983 when he was elected as Vice Director of the Hudson Division. After two terms as Vice Director, he was elected as Hudson Division Director in 1987. In 1996, the ARRL Board of Directors elected Mendelsohn as its First Vice President, where he served until 2000. The next year, he was again elected as the Hudson Division Vice Director, serving through 2004.

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ARRL Spring Section Manager Election Results Announced:

Posted: 23 May 2012 06:10 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28346

Of the nine Section Manager elections this spring, two were decided by member balloting. Ballots were counted on May 22 at ARRL Headquarters. Terms for these ARRL Field Organization officials begin July 1.

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Don Keith, N4KC Publishes New Novel; Movie Based On Book In Pre-Production:

Posted: 23 May 2012 06:06 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28345

Active amateur radio operator Don Keith, N4KC, will publish his latest novel and 24th book July 4, 2012. FIRING POINT (Signet/Penguin, 704 pgs.) is a taut, fast-paced thriller, set in Russia and beneath the polar ice pack, and tells the story of an American nuclear submarine crew and a team of Navy SEALs who are called upon to rescue the kidnapped Russian president. In the process, they will attempt to avert World War III.

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New Book by KB6NU:

Posted: 23 May 2012 06:05 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28344

Written for the
new ham:or the ham that hasn't really been all that active lately:its 21 chapters include Join
a club, Join the ARRL, Find an Elmer, Buy a radio, Get on the air, Set up a shack, Buy some tools, Buy a digital
multimeter (DMM), Build an antenna, Build a kit, Go to a hamfest, Learn the lingo, Subscribe to mailing lists,
blogs, and podcasts, Upgrade to General, Go to Field Day, Learn Morse Code, Get to know your (ham)
neighbors, Buy QSL cards, Join SkyWarn, ARES, or RACES, Participate in a contest, and last but not least,
HAVE FUN!

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Sunraysia Radio Club Secretary Noel Ferguson VK3FI Interviewed On ABC Radio

Posted: 22 May 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28342

As we approach this weekend with over 180 people making their way to the WIA Annual Conference being held in sunny Mildura, club Secretary for the Sunraysia Radio Group, Noel Ferguson VK3FI has been interviewed by local ABC radio Breakfast Show Producer Deb Banks, the interview took place on Monday the 21st of May.

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Stephen Mecsery, WZ1Y (SK):

Posted: 22 May 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28341

GREENWICH, Conn. -- Stephen Mecsery of Old Greenwich died on May 14. He was 89. Mecsery founded Cos Cob Radio and television in 1945, selling and repairing the first televisions in town. Born on Sept. 12, 1922 in Palmerton, Pa., he was the son of Agnes and Stephen Mecsery. The family moved to Stamford shortly after. Mecsery was a World War II veteran, serving in the Navy in the Normandy campaign. An avid ham radio operator from the age of 15, he was a member of the Stamford Amateur Radio Association. He enjoyed mentoring new amateur radio enthusiasts. Mecsery also enjoyed racing his Bricklin race car at a racetrack in Lime Rock, Conn. He collected antique cars, radios and televisions and loved repairing them.

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Radio to the Moon:

Posted: 22 May 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28340

Amateur radio has taken Mildura-based enthusiast Noel Ferguson to the moon and back. Known in wireless radio circles as V-K-3-F-I, Mr Ferguson believes the next great frontier for wireless radio is space. "I happened to be sitting one day listening to the international space station going past and all of a sudden, a very Russian sounding voice was calling and I

realised he was calling for one of his friends on a boat as he was going over Melbourne. "So I had brief contact with him; his English was as good as my Russian!" he laughs. "A lot of (the astronauts) have very good English, most of them; or they're Americans," he explains. "The international space station does have a lot of contact with amateur radio operators and they also run a school program. "A friend from Kingston-on-Sea goes and sets up a dish and the equipment at a school; the schools will ask the astronauts questions over a period of ten minutes as the international space station goes over." Mr Ferguson says amateur radio operators have been communicating with each other around the world for many years and in emergency situations. "You're always prepared for an emergency, in fact at the moment I'm pulling together some backup power supplies - but we always hope of course that it won't happen," he says.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 01:51:04 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <91984117-6087-43df-84f8-6d00c78b5ed6@pr3g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2982

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

816. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-029E - For Sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 05:26:45 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FBDC66B.4030301@rac.ca>
Source record: 2983
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-029E - For Sale
2012-05-23

Ham Study Basic 2010 - 2011
RAC Operating Manual

The RAC office has acquired 5 copies of "Ham Study Basic 2010 - 2011"
and 10 copies of the "RAC Operating Manual".

The cost for each, excluding shipping, is $44.95 "Ham Study Basic 2010
- 2011" and $42.00 "RAC Operating Manual".

There are discounts for orders over 4 copies.

Call the office or send an email toracgm@rac.ca <mailto:racgm@rac.ca>

Frank Greene
Office Manager - Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

817. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 24 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 11:05:54 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <005045017578b58aba04c0c63a21@google.com>
Source record: 2984
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DLpNqOlcxG8/may_24.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

TGFW, (Thank Goodness For Weekends) especially Sunday this week. 7O6T
vanished mid week and left E40VB (Palestine), A60ITU (United Arab Emirates)
and FY5PO (French Guiana) during the week with XX9E (Macau) and 6V7S
(Senegal) top at the weekend

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Official launch of the Craggy Island DXpedition Group

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Kbz4ZqZpeq8/official_launch_of_the_craggy_island_dxpedition_group.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Galway VHF Group will be officially launching of the Craggy Island
DXpedition Group using the new callsign EI0TED

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ARRL Spring Section Manager election results announced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s96V8Q9N-6E/arrl_spring_section_manager_election_results_announced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Of the nine Section Manager elections this spring, two were decided by
member balloting. Ballots were counted on May 22 at ARRL Headquarters.
Terms for these ARRL Field Organization officials begin July 1

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4G interference 'threatens two million homes'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P8H26aJIc3s/4g_interference_threatens_two_million_homes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC reports that 2 million homes which are within 2km of a 4G base
station are likely to experience TV interference and, for some, there will
also be a loss of channels

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Cuba's Radio Hams get new Digimodes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-xwyAQGwTmA/cuba_radio_hams_get_new_digimodes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Pavel, CO7WT reports that Cuba's radio hams have now been given permission
to use a range of digital modes

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KB6NU releases 21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eV0vEjsmyQs/21_things_to_do_after_you_get_your_amateur_radio_license.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License is now available
for the Kindle and Nook

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Former ARRL First Vice President Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML - SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DP4ykfurGm4/steve_mendelsohn_w2ml_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

After a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer, Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML,
of Dumont, New Jersey, passed away May 23. He was 67

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Poldhu Radio Amateurs on air for Torch Relay

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CAJN_2K-354/poldhu_radio_amateurs_on_air_for_torch_relay.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Poldhu Amateur Radio Club got a mention in the Falmouth Packet
newspaper for their station set up to for the 2012 Olympic Touch Relay

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ARRL launch digital QST magazine

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D5FdEH28Ijs/arrl_launch_digital_qst_magazine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL has launched an International Membership with a digital version of
QST magazine for $39 (£25)

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Introduction to Amateur Radio Direction Finding

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TjFwkYXmH6g/introduction_to_amateur_radio_direction_finding.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio direction finding is a set of skills used to find hidden radio transmitters

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2012 Torch route tracked on APRS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3EAEnyANw_Q/2012_torch_route_tracked_on_aprs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2012 Olympic Torch Relay route is being tracked on the APRS.fi site

818. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING MAY 27 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 12:02:03 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <5b9e68ee-35c9-4c2c-bf31-51dbea379b9c@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2985
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-05-27.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - May 27 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING MAY 27 2012.

TRANSIT OF VENUS APPROACHES

EAST GIPPSLAND MAKER SPACE

Shortwave Gathering Identifies Broadcast Opportunities

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING MAY 27 2012.

Hello, this is Grant, VK5GR for the Project Horus Balloon team, with some
news about today's amateur radio High altitude balloon flight being staged
as part of the Wireless Institute of Australia's AGM here in Mildura.

By the time you hear this, the balloon repeater, designated flight HORUS 26,
will be in the air (launch was planned for 8am AEST) and climbing on it's
way to more than 30km altitude and more than 100km north east of Mildura.

At apogee, the footprint is predicted to cover the cities of Adelaide,
Melbourne, Sydney and Canberra simultaneously. The radio horizon will extend
approximately 800km from the balloon, covering some 2,000,000 sqkm of
SE Australia.

You can access the repeater on 438.9 MHz using a 123 Hz CTCSS tone. You will be able to hear the downlink from the balloon on 147.500MHz. APRS is also active under the callsign VK5ARG-11. There is also a 300 baud RTTY telemetry beacon on 434.075MHz.

Now, in addition to the repeater balloon, the team is also intending this morning to launch a second balloon (which may by now also be in the air - the intended launch time was 9am AEST). This flight, designated HORUS 27, is primarily carrying a camera payload, RTTY beacon and another APRS transmitter this one designated VK5ARG-12. Predictions earlier in the week looked ideal to attempt to fly this experimental camera payload, so we will see whether it pans out.

Our Project leader, Terry VK5VZI, and all of the Project Horus team hope to hear as many amateurs as possible making use of the repeater during this flight. The group also wishes to say thank you to the WIA for inviting us to participate in this year's AGM.

You can also find out more about the project by looking at our website projecthorus.org

73's from Grant VK5GR for Project Horus

D-Star Up

WIA'S portable Dstar repeater is set up in Mildura for the full conference weekend, listen out on the Dstar repeater frequency 438.150MHz

ABC WIRELESS INTERVIEWS VK3FI

This weekend with over 180 people making their way to the WIA Annual Conference being held in sunny Mildura, club Secretary for the Sunraysia Radio Group, Noel Ferguson VK3FI has been interviewed by local ABC radio Breakfast Show Producer Deb Banks.
Listen in on the link on the story on WIA FRONT PAGE NEWS wia.org.au

The world's most successful solar cell breaks the 20% barrier

Aussie researchers team with Sun-tech Power to create Pluto Technology

World-class Australian solar research has produced new photovoltaic solar cells that recently broke the 20% barrier for efficiency in capturing the sun's energy, the highest ever efficiency for a low-cost commercial silicon solar cell.

The solar cells reached a production capacity last year of 0.5 gigawatts, worth more than US1billion a year. This is enough to power 300,000 average homes that typically have eight solar panels on them for at least 25 years.

Pluto technology, as it is patented, was developed by Professors Martin Green and Stuart Wenham at the ARC Photovoltaic Centre for Excellence in close collaboration with the world's largest solar cell manufacturer, Suntech-Power.

The Pluto Technology won a 2012 Collaborative Innovation Award Wednesday night at the Cooperative Research Centres Association conference in Adelaide.

(jenni@econnect.com.au)

Transit of Venus Special Event June 6, 2012

*** TAKE ALL IMPORTANT SAFETY PRECAUTIONS WHEN VIEWING THE SUN!!! ***

For the 7th time in human history and last time this century, Venus will pass in front of the sun on June 6. WB4APR is encouraging radio hams to join up with astronomers and observers in public places to share in this event

It is observable worldwide except the centre of the Atlantic (eastern S.America and western Africa) Everywhere else can see parts of it. It lasts 5+ hours and is fully visible around the Pacific Rim.

All previous centuries were before the discovery of radio and so sailing ships were dispatched around the globe to time the event. From these times, the size of the Solar System could be calculated. It took months if not years to get the data back. Now we can do it in 0.05 seconds with Ham radio.

See if you can contact hams at other Transit of Venus sites from your public observing site. Here are the suggested calling frequencies.

We don't want contest-style pileups nor home stations. We just want a place where similar public setups can contact like-minded other public viewing sites via ham radio and make their reports.

See the web page: http://aprs.org/VenusTransit2012.html

We are suggesting these calling frequencies:
40 Meters - 7180 KHz
20 Meters - 14240 KHz
17 Meters - 18140 KHz
15 Meters - 21240 KHz
12 Meters - 24940 KHz
10 Meters - 28340 KHz

VHF - APRS on the local national calling channel.
Send APRS messages as noted on the web page.

*** TAKE ALL IMPORTANT SAFETY PRECAUTIONS WHEN VIEWING THE SUN!!! ***

Bob Bruninga, WB4APR (will be observing in Japan with a Japanese (TBD) callsign)

APRS Venus Transit 2012
http://aprs.org/VenusTransit2012.html

(SouthGate)

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Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ vk3pz@wia.org.au

Greetings Everyone.

Don't we have an extraordinarily diverse hobby in Amateur Radio?

When you sit back and think about it there is some facet of the hobby that can appeal to everyone and one or more of those facets are maybe what attracted you and others to the hobby in the first place. Electronics, radio and the associated knowledge continues to expand exponentially which makes it hard to keep up with advances and can eat up a lot of our time; which others close to us may think we could spend on more 'worthwhile' activities.

While the personal interest and search for knowledge is important for our own development we can end up isolated, like a shag on a rock, if we forget to support our hobby of Amateur Radio. So, what is support?

It surely means different things to different people but I suggest simply paying your club dues and WIA membership (and thank you to those who do) is only addressing one or two support needs.

Turning up to regular club meetings to rag chew while enjoying tea, coffee and biscuits is a form of support but unless we get involved in the Amateur Radio doings of our clubs or groups, in whatever way we can contribute, can we really claim to be supporting our club or group and hence Amateur Radio?

Similarly, one tier up, do clubs within regions co-operate by sharing skills and resources to support our hobby? Really, there is no place for an 'us and them' mentality within our hobby of Amateur Radio and it does no harm to promote the activities of other clubs physically or by joining in their on-air activities. It can be very disheartening when a club develops and promotes an activity or on-air event or contest only to have a modicum of interest. How many of us have been in this situation and felt rather 'cheesed off' to put it politely? Too many, I suggest, if I was able to count the nodded heads and raised hands of those listening.

So, what can we do about these unhelpful issues of dynamic apathy apparent in support of our hobby? It is simple really; get off our tails, get in and do, get in and support club, state and national events and celebrations. No matter how small our individual contributions may seem to us the sum of them all contributes to success and support of our great hobby.

Consider yourself to be another brick in the wall supporting Amateur Radio on all levels.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board asking 'How do you support our hobby?'

John VK3KM has advised free scripts to load the WIA repeater list into your VHF/UHF radio are available

Steve Ireland VK2MD has written four useful utilities in VB Script that will load and manipulate the WIA Repeater data file.

The first script simply prints the repeater list to a console window and is meant as a training exercise.

The next one verifies the WIA repeater data file for any consistency.

A third script converts the binary file into a format that can be imported directly into the ICOM ID880 using the free ICOM CS-80/880 Software.

The last one converts the binary file into a format that can be imported directly into the many radios that are supported by Chirp.

A "Read Me" file is included with the downloadable zip file that describes in detail how to run the scripts, and the scripts themselves are fully commented for those who want to write their own utilities. Also included within the zip file are sample output files that are pre-cooked and ready to use.

The scripts will run on most Microsoft Windows operating systems (XP onwards) and can be downloaded from the Repeater Update page on the WIA web site.

For the information of Foundation Licence trainers and WIA members, Ron Bertrand VK2DQ has developed an on line video training program covering the Foundation course material.

The course is free and available at Radio & Electronics School web site http://www.radioelectronicschool.net/

(Fred Swainston VK3DAC)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

East Gippsland Maker Space in Bairnsdale, Victoria is now open and the possibilities are exciting. New members very welcome. Ian vk3TCX says they have an entire wing of the old Bairnsdale hospital with space allocated for many diverse interests including Radio Shack, lab with power, broadband internet and heaps of space for antennas.

"Last week's news spoke of the first Maker Fair held in China, well Bairnsdale in Eastern Victoria may have taken its first steps in this direction with the formation of its own Makerspace, a community based workshop whose aim is to provide cheap access to tools, training and resources to enable it's members to learn practical skills and explore art, technology and creativity by sharing the expertise of other community members.

We have leased a wing of an old disused hospital in Bairnsdale, and already it is being divided up into workshops for, among other things computing, photography, machine shops, electronics, robotics and of course amateur radio. Several local amateurs have already become members, we have dedicated room space for a radio shack/lab, access to tools, machinery, broadband internet and the space and facilities to construct and experiment, and hopefully expose more of the community to amateur radio and the fun of electronics.

We are self-funding, non-profit and are gratefully accept support both materially and from anyone with expertise to share.

Please have a look at what we hope to achieve by going to
www.egmakerspace.org

I'm Ian, vk3tcx for the East Gippsland Makerspace"

Check them out at egmakerspace.org for a video walkthrough

(Ian vk3tcx)

The annual Winter expedition into the snowy wilderness of the Bogong High Plains is coming up again and is led by Stephen, VK3SN and Gerard, VK3GT.

A team of keen skiers' will head away from civilisation on Monday 6th of August for four days to snow camp on the roof of Victoria. Staying around 1800 metres above sea level, the group will spend each day exploring the icy beauty of this amazing region within the Australian Alps.

When setting up camp each afternoon they will deploy solar powered portable QRP gear to call CQ on 40 and 80 metres into the evening. They will also be on 2m and 70 cm FM simplex and various repeaters to liaise across the high country of North-East of Victoria, and local amateurs are invited to say hello on these frequencies.

Listen out for the guys as they work their way across some of Victoria's most spectacular mountain ranges- here's hoping for decent snow!'

(Stephen VK3SN)

It is almost that time again: GippsTech 2012 will be happening on the weekend of the 7th and 8th of July, at Monash University Gippsland Campus in Churchill, Victoria, about 170 km east of Melbourne.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, AR Victoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Yaesu FT1D Digital Handheld

One of the most eagerly awaited products at Dayton Hamvention last weekend was the new Yaesu FT1D digital and FM handheld.

It has, for an Amateur Radio rig, a number of innovations:

A microphone that uses a mini-USB plug and built-in camera
An 80 character group short messaging facility
9600 bps data transfer
Micro-SD card slot
E-GPS facility

Kiosk mobile data extraction to be used by London Police

The Metropolitan Police, the police force responsible for Greater London, has announced that it will begin using a mobile device data extraction system that will give its officers the ability to extract data from a mobile device in a matter of minutes. The said system will use Radio Tactics' ACESO Kiosk, a touchscreen device that will be deployed in the city.

According to Radio Tactics, the ACESO Kiosk has the capability to extract data including call history, photos, videos, and email and social networking info from a phone at an average time of 20 minutes.

Essentially, the device features an intuitive, fully-guided touchscreen desktop data acquisition tool. Radio Tactics promises the device to pull data from the any mobile phone as well as from any memory or SIM card it carries. The company claims that it also works with USB flash drives and portable GPS units too. The system will be used on phones that are suspected of having been used in criminal activities.

According to Computerworld UK, more than 300 Police employees will be trained to use the device.

ubergizmo.com/2012/05/radio-tactics-aceso-kiosk-mobile-data-extraction-to-be-used-by-londo
n-police/

(Sourced from the UberGizmo E-Zine via vk7wi)

Milestone for Wi-Fi with 'T-rays'

BBC News report that researchers in Japan have smashed the record for wireless data transmission in the terahertz band, a mainly uncharted part of the electro-magnetic spectrum.

The data rate is 20 times higher than the best commonly used Wi-Fi standard.

As consumers become ever more hungry for high data rates, standard lower-frequency bands have become crowded.

The research, published in Electronics Letters, adds to the idea that this "T-ray" band could offer huge swathes of bandwidth for data transmission.

The band lies between the microwave and far-infrared regions of the spectrum, and is currently completely unregulated by telecommunications agencies.

Despite the name, the band informally makes use of frequencies from about 300 gigahertz (300GHz or about 60 times higher than the current highest Wi-Fi standard) to about 3THz, 10 times higher again.

bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-18072618

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

FM INTERFERENCE TO SSB/CW SATELLITES INCREASING

Interference by terrestrial FM operators to ham radio satellites is a growing problem. This according to Alexandru Csete, OZ9AEC who made this recording of FM interference to the FO-9 ham radio bird on Saturday, May 5th. A QSO that seemed to revolve around chocolate:

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Actual interference QSO recorded off FO-29

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OZ9AEC says that to an FM operator, the spectrum from 145.8
to 146.0 MHz may seem empty, but it isn't. These
frequencies are used by weak signal SSB and CW satellite
transponders and even a few watts of FM can cause severe interference.

Some FM operators are unaware that if they use these
frequencies their local chat across town will be heard
thousands of miles away. Nor do they realize that in
holding their point to point terrestrial FM chats in this
spectrum that they block the satellite from others to use.
The use of FM on an SSB/CW linear transponder satellite also
reduces the lifetime of both the satellite's batteries and
the transponder itself.

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SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

south African YOUTH DAY SPRINT

The annual Youth Day Sprint will be held on Saturday 16 June from
10:00 - 12:00 CAT. There are many prizes to be won in this 2 hour 40 metre
fun event.

Radio Amateurs are encouraged to invite young persons to enjoy the event from
their station and top give youngsters a hands-on experience of amateur radio.

The youth day Sprint is part of the 2012 National Amateur Radio Day.

www.sarl.org.za

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

YET ANOTHER DXPEDTION CANCELLED

Rick, K6VVA, has announced that his IOTA DXpedition (NA-175, NA-050 and
NA-004) has now been rescheduled for hopefully better propagation during
2013.

Also, check TWITTER at: http://www.twitter.com/k6vva

Special Canadian amateur radio call sign

VC 2 CBS 30 is the unusual callsign in use by the Sorel-Tracy Amateur Radio
Club in Quebec, Canada until 30 May. This is in celebration of the 30th
anniversary of their Hamfest, which took place last Sunday, 20th May.

A special QSL card is available from the club.

Look for the 30th anniversay callsign VC 2 CBS 30
1,930
3,730
7,030cw
7,230ssb
14,130
21,230
28,530
50,125
144.200
146.55

Visit their Hamfest website:
www.hamfest.qc.ca/Hamfest/Accueil.html

GB60VUL - The Vulcan Diamond Jubilee

GB60VUL is on the air until Today May 27 to promote 60 years of the Vulcan Bomber, and the Vulcan's 'Salute to Her Majesty' during her Diamond Jubilee year.

XH558 is the last flying Vulcan bomber.

GB60VUL page
vulcantothesky.org/history/articles-of-interest/radio-station.html

Newbury And District Amateur Radio Society (NADARS)
nadars.org.uk/

A multi-national group are operating from the Kingdom of Bhutan until 6 June.
The callsign is A5A.
Active on all bands 80-10m and are taking part in the WPX CW Contest during this weekend, 26/27 May.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

Shortwave Gathering Identifies Broadcast Opportunities

A large portion of presentations at the National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters meeting, held in Washington in May cantered on the idea how shortwave radio • dismissed by some as in its last throes, a relic of the Cold War era disappearing under the shadow of digital • can find a place in the 21st century.

As many of the conference's speakers argued, that answer may reside in areas with little electricity, where shortwave is seen as an effective means of relaying information to countries with repressive regimes. Presenting the results of a study on which audiences were tuning into shortwave across the globe, Dr. Kim Andrew Elliott, an audience research specialist at IBB, pointed out that in countries like Nigeria and Zimbabwe, people tended to own more radios than televisions.

In impoverished, politically tumultuous Zimbabwe, in fact, 32% of those who were surveyed, in a face-to-face, door-to-door method, own shortwave radios, according to Elliott.

Because shortwave radio is harder to interrupt than, for instance, the Internet, Radio Free Asia, the conference host, broadcasts to the highly censored areas like North Korea

(RadioWorld)

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

YOU CAN'T WATCH MEDIA WITHOUT A GOOD REMOTE!

Inventor of the remote control dies

Eugene Polley, who invented the TV remote, died Sunday at age 96.

In 1955, he created what would become the couch potatoes dream: the TV remote control.

Eugene's "Flash-Matic" remote control, offered the world the first cordless TV remote.

Flash-Matic operated with four photo cells, one in each corner of the screen. The viewer used a highly directional flashlight to activate the four control functions, which turned the picture and sound on and off and changed channels by turning the tuner dial clockwise and counter-clockwise.

(North-western University's Medill school)

This WIA year we have our highest ever checkins, 123,691 and some 41,000+ of those are RF checkins.

VK1 = 994
VK8 = 1627
VK3 = 2101
VK7 = 5573
VK5 = 5706
VK2 = 7155
VK4 = 7768
VK6 = 8288

highest for a single station is 3,594 for the Perth VK6RAP repeater, morning and night combined followed by the single transmission of VK5RAD with a massive 3,117 for their Sunday Morning broadcast

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

How a Tiny Satellite Could Find Another Earth

Time Magazine carried a report on the work of radio amateur Sara Seager KB1WTW who is developing a CubeSat called ExoplanetSat, that will search for new planets.

Time reports that unlike the massive and expensive Kepler probe used by NASA the ExoplanetSat is a tiny satellite, just 10x10x30cm.

They say:
"What makes ExoplanetSat even more un-NASA-like is that it began as a class project • although admittedly, the class was at MIT. It was a design-and-build course, which the university's engineering students have to take in order to graduate. In a recent semester, the class was co-taught by Sara Seager [KB1WTW] an astrophysicist who has done ground-breaking research studying how the atmospheres of planets orbiting distant stars might look like from earthly telescopes. Seager recruited five science undergrads to join her engineers, on the theory that out in the real world, they'd eventually have to work with engineers anyway."

The group lead by Sara KB1WTW is developing the prototype ExoplanetSat capable of monitoring a single, bright, sun-like star for two years.

Planned to launch late 2012 or 2013 it is hoped it will open the gates for ExoplanetSat interest and funding. Once the funding doors are opened, then the fleet of ExoplanetSats can be launched. The fleet may contain as many as a hundred of these small satellites, each focused on its own star.

Read the Times Magazine article at
time.com/time/health/article/0,8599,2114158,00.html

Listen to HORYU-2 on the Web

Andrei YO8SSQ and Cezar YO8TLC have made available a web based receiver to enable listeners to hear the new amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 when it's within range of Romania.

The WebSDR receiver is located at the Astronomical Observatory Department of "Stefan cel Mare" University in Romania.

Latitude 47.6417N Longitude 26.2453E, grid locator KN37cp, height ASL is 350m.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

IOTA 800 Islands Award

a notable first VK award goes to a local VK7 amateur!

Frank VK7BC has just received the "IOTA 800 islands award" from the Radio Society of Great Britain.

Frank's is the first to be claimed by a VK station and one of only two going to Oceania, the other being a station on Hawaii AH6HY.

Not one to rest on his laurels, Frank was also issued with the "W.A.D.A" or Worked All Antarctic Directory Award for achieving the notable milestone of having worked for 28 Antarctic bases.

This award is only the second to be awarded to a VK station, the first being to Mal VK6LC a few years ago.

Well done on two very notable achievements Frank!

For the rest of us, it just goes to show that CW can indeed be useful from time to time, so maybe we should all dig out our keys and get in some practice.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Italian radio amateurs help out after quake

An earthquake measuring 6.0 on the Richter scale shook Italy's industrial and densely populated northeast Sunday last, killing at least 6 people, felling homes and factories and bringing down historic church steeples.

Occurring in the middle of night it saw emergency services swing into action with many injured across the Emilia Romagna region.

It has been called the region's worst quake since the 1300s, striking at 4.04 am local time with its epicentre about 35 kms north of Bologna at a relatively shallow depth of 5kms.

The IARU Region 1 reports that Italian radio amateurs responded.

A number of strong aftershocks continue to affect the area.

The voluntary group RNRE reports that communications in the area are currently good but the RNRE has been requested to make one or two mobile units available to respond, if needed, due to the continuing seismic activity.

No HF frequencies are in use at this time.

(Jim Linton VK3PC. Chairman IARU Region 3. Disaster Communications Committee, acknowledging the input and Greg Mossop G0DUB IARU Region 1 Emergency Communications Co-Ordinator)

Sunday High Performance Radio

As the wia news goes to air this morning some Townsville Club radio operators are out on the Mount Stuart Road providing Time Control Communications Support plus some circuit marshal, time keeping and safety communications support for the second round of the King of the Hill Auto sports Hill climb.

The operators have been on site since 7-30am and competition started from 9am. Communications has primarily been on VHF for Time Control and UHF CB for marshal liaison and safety. That free "auto sports burger" is looking really good at lunchtime and the operators should complete operations by 4pm this afternoon, Sunday 27 May.

(theTARCinc)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

MAY 25-27 VK3 WIA Annual Conference Mildura on this weekend.

MAY 26 VK3 MDRC Hamfest Southern Community Centre, Mulgrave 10am

MAY 26 VK4 BARCFEST (a HamFest) Mt Gravatt Showgrounds 9am.

JUN 8-11 VK4 cancelled ! FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast CANCELLED!!!!!!!!!

JUN 9-10 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club field day Port Macquarie.

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

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wia.org.au

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slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

819. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 24 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 12:34:10 UTC
From: Ian Wade G3NRW <g3nrw-radio@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <3EHtgnCCrivPFw4y@ntlworld.com>
Source record: 2986
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

___Original Message_____________________________________
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Date: Thu, 24 May 2012 Time: 07:05:54

>ARRL launch digital QST magazine
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>Posted:
>http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D5FdEH28Ijs/arrl_laun
>ch_digital_qst_magazine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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>The ARRL has launched an International Membership with a digital
>version of QST magazine for $39 (ï¿½25)

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you a poor result, but when you've optimised the settings you will not
be disappointed. And it's much better than Adobe!

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73
Ian, G3NRW

820. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 24 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 15:07:44 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <jzjgIyCA7kvPFwY9@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2987
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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>be disappointed. And it's much better than Adobe!
>
And if you don't like Cute, there's a dozen other free PDF printers you
can use (non-commercially). My personal preference is Bullzip or doPDF.
[From memory, one of them doesn't need Postscript to work.] But in all
of them, it's a compromise between quality and filesize. I expect even
Adobe can be made to work well too!
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ian

821. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 24 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 16:16:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed943e2f04c0ca917b@google.com>
Source record: 2988
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Original 13 colonies independence week special event

Posted: 24 May 2012 08:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347473-Original-13-colonies-independence-week-special-event&goto=newpost

ORIGINAL 13 COLONIES INDEPENDENCE WEEK SPECIAL EVENT

July 1st-5th 2012*

* Bonus Day 30 June 2012

NY-NJ-RI-GA-PA-NH-SC-VA-CT-DE-MD-MA-NC

The 2012, 13 Colonies stations will operate from 12:01 AM Eastern (0401Z),on July 1st, (That's one minute after midnight, early Sunday morning, July 1st) to 11:59 PM Eastern (0359Z July 6) ending on July 5th (One minute to midnight, late Thursday night, July 5th).

Recognizing that the 4th comes in the middle of the week (Wednesday) and that some operators will be going to their work on the 2nd, 3rd and 5th, we will add a BONUS DAY on Saturday, 30 June 2012!! Stations will operate from 09:00 AM Eastern (1300Z) right through until the 5th. Keep in mind that there may be fewer operators available on the work days so, PLEASE BE PATIENT!

There will be at least two S.E. stations per colony state. Also included will be Super contest stations, multi-operator Club stations & OM & XYL teams.

The theme for 2012 is "Colonial Era US Navy Tall Ships". Old Ironsides adorns the 2012 certificate , printed on heavy card stock - very cool.

You can work one state or, all 13 and, be eligible for the certificate. A "Clean Sweep" indicator will also be affixed, for those lucky enough to "Q" all 13.

http://www.13colonies.info/

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Special Texas Navy Certificate for Museum Ships Weekend 2012

Posted: 23 May 2012 08:00 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347342-Special-Texas-Navy-Certificate-for-Museum-Ships-Weekend-2012&goto=newpost

Houston, TX, May 23, 2012: Houston area based Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club will celebrate its fifth year of participation in the annual Museum Ships Weekend Event, June 2-3, 2012 by offering a special commemorative certificate to amateur stations who contact all five Texas Based Museum ships during the event. The five museum ships and their call signs include the Submarine USS Cavalla and Destroyer Escort USS Stewart (KK5W) in Galveston, Texas, The Battleship USS Texas (NA5DV), in La Porte Texas, The Tall Ship Elissa (N5E) also in Galveston and the Aircraft Carrier USS Lexington (W5LEX) in Corpus Christi, Texas.

To earn the Texas Navy Certificate, amateur stations must submit proof of contact with all five Texas Museum ships to QSL Manager, KK5W along with a #10 SASE. The address is in QRZ.com.

Museum Ships Weekend is an annual operating event sponsored worldwide by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station with more than 90 ships participating this year. ☐We decided to put in a special Texas twist to the event to commemorate our five years of taking part☐, said Ron Litt, K5HM, one of the Event Coordinators.

The Texas Navy Certificate is a cooperative effort between four different area clubs, In addition to the Brazos Valley club, members of the Battleship Texas Amateur Radio Station, The Tidelands Amateur Radio Society and the South Texas Amateur Radio Club are participating as well.

For more information contact:

Ron Litt, K5HM

K5HM@arrl.net

822. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 24 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-24 16:45:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61385a07c1c704c0caf9c5@google.com>
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Cuba's Radio Hams get new Digimodes

Posted: 24 May 2012 12:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347439-Cuba-s-Radio-Hams-get-new-Digimodes&goto=newpost

Cuba's Radio Hams get new Digimodes

With great pleasure I inform to the world community of amateur radio that
after a national debate and then follow the legal avenues has been approved
by the department authorized by the goverment the use of new digital modes
for all Cuban hams.

The last legislation only allowed us to work in PSK31, QPSK31, AMTOR,
PACKET and RTTY.

We can now work in Domino Contestia, Olivia, MFSK, JT65, almost all
variants of PSK (BPSK, QPSK, PSK-R) among others.

And more importantly, it has set up a mechanism to apply for new digimodes
by any hams, I have asked already some who were not authorized, including
WSPR, JT6M, HSMM, PACTOR II and III, FSK441, among others.

Another important step is that they have authorized access to the FRC's
internal network using packet radio nodes, and have authorized the use of
packet gateways in cross bands (HF / VHF, etc.)

Cuban radio amateurs are pleased with this approval that puts us on a par
with colleagues anywhere in the world.

73 from CO7WT

CU on HF on Digimodes !!!

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KB6NU releases 21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License

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our-Amateur-Radio-License&goto=newpost

KB6NU releases 21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License

21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License is now available
for the Kindle and Nook.

Written for the new ham□or the ham that hasn't really been all that active
lately□its 21 chapters include:

Join a club, Join the ARRL, Find an Elmer, Buy a radio, Get on the air, Set
up a shack, Buy some tools, Buy a digital multimeter (DMM), Build an
antenna, Build a kit, Go to a hamfest, Learn the lingo, Subscribe to
mailing lists, blogs, and podcasts, Upgrade to General, Go to Field Day,
Learn Morse Code, Get to know your (ham) neighbors, Buy QSL cards, Join
SkyWarn, ARES, or RACES, Participate in a contest, and last but not least,
HAVE FUN!

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new 10m BEACON on air IW0CPK/B

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347370-new-10m-BEACON-on-air-IW0CPK-B&goto=newpost

new baecon on air at 28.147.5 (10m) build at 1200meter above the sea on
center of Italy 1watt omni please spot at iw0cpk@gmail.com the beacon
trasmit 5 minutes and standby 3 minutes sun panel power supply

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QST online

Posted: 23 May 2012 10:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347357-QST-online&goto=newpost

QST is now available online--the current June edition looks pretty slick in
color.

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Ham Nation 48: Solder, Shacks, And Dayton, Oh My!

Posted: 23 May 2012 05:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347309-Ham-Nation-48-Solder-Shacks-And-Dayton-Oh-My!&
goto=newpost

Ham Nation 48: Solder, Shacks, And Dayton, Oh My!

Our pre-Dayton show, hosted by George Thomas (W5JDX) and Don Wilbanks
(AD5DW).

Top 5 essentials for your ham shack, Joe Eisenberg talks about
photographing hamventions and kits. Soundcard Oscilloscope, and more.

Get it now at http://twit.tv/hn .

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New York City communications team presents ham radio to Harlem kids at expo

Posted: 21 May 2012 11:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347135-New-York-City-communications-team-presents-ham-radio-to-Harlem-kids-at-expo&goto=newpost

On May 19, 2012, the New York City Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Service (NYC-ARECS) participated at the Super Saturday Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Expo. Super Saturday is an annual expo designed for New York City youth and their families. The event features hands-on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math activities and demonstrations for Harlem public school students up to Grade 12. NYC-ARECS's tables presented the theme "How to talk Across the World Without a Cell Phone."

There are many photos and details here:
http://nyc-arecs.org/supersaturday2012.html

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ham_radio_kids_016.jpg

Attached Images

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ham_radio_kids_016.jpg
(213.5 KB)

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ANS-141 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 21 May 2012 11:43 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347038-ANS-141-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-141

ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor at amsat.org

In this edition:

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* Promising Future of CubeSat Missions in UK Metro Newspaper

* Satellite Shorts From All Over

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

May 20, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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AMSAT Satellite Education Focus at Dayton

This weekend marked the annual Dayton Hamvention. AMSAT was present and active inside at the booth in the Ball Arena of the Hara Center and outside at the Satellite Demonstration area. AMSAT Vice President for Educational Relations Mark Hammond, N8MH said, "This year, we had a focus on trying to get youth and first time operators ON THE AIR!" The Satellite Demonstration area gave students, educators, and first time hams the opportunity to come to the microphone and make a satellite contact. Between passes equipment and experienced operators were available for discussions and answers to questions. Differences in operating techniques between FM and linear satellites were demonstrated. Also differing levels of equipment ranging between very simple and portable stations to a full station with computer control were operating.

Dayton also gave AMSAT and ARRL the opportunity to recruit new ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators. Mark, N8MH took advantage of the ARRL Stage on Friday and Saturday to explain the roles of ARISS Technical Mentors who serve as an advising and coordinating liaison between NASA, the school or group making the ARISS contact, and the Ground Station Operators, who set up the satellite station at the contact location.

The AMSAT Forum at Dayton, moderated by Alan Biddle, WA4SCA also included Mark's presentation on the current and future education work. He described specific needs, especially in area of writing K-12 lesson plans (in science and math) using amateur satellite telemetry. Educators who are satellite operators should contact him directly at n8mh@amsat.org and are encouraged to join the AMSAT-EDU mailing list to learn how they can help with our educational outreach.

AMSAT's university level mentorship of CubeSat development projects was presented by Alex Harvilchuck, N3NP as he discussed CubeSats at Pennsylvania State University-Erie.

Also, at the AMSAT Forum, AMSAT Engineering VP, Tony Monteiro, AA2TX discussed Project Fox - AMSAT's First CubeSat which was accepted for launch by Project ELaNa, NASA's "Educational Launch of NanoSat". Fox-1 was selected to join the NASA ELaNa program on merit in support of NASA strategic and educational goals. The "Running With Fox" theme at the AMSAT booth featured a model of the Fox-1 cubesat.

[ANS thanks Gould Smith, WA4SXM, and Mark Hammond, N8MH for the above information]

Reminder - One Month to Field Day - AMSAT FD Rules On-Line

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO reminds you that time of year is once again approaching - Field Day!

Each year the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) sponsors Field Day as an emergency preparedness exercise. The event takes place during a 24-hour period on the fourth weekend of June. For 2012 the event takes place during a 27-hour period between 1800 UTC on Saturday, June 23, 2012 and 2100 UTC on Sunday June 24, 2012. Those who set up prior to 1800 UTC on June 23 can operate only 24 hours.

The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT) promotes its own version of Field Day for operation via the amateur satellites, held concurrently with the ARRL event.

With the loss of AO-51 and SO-6ay this y ear is going to be most challenging. If you are considering ONLY the FM voice satellites like AMRAD-OSCAR-27 or SaudiSat-Oscar-50 for your primary AMSAT Field Day focus: Don't, unless you are simply hoping to make one contact for the ARRL rules bonus points.

The congestion on FM LEO satellites was so intense in prior years that we must continue to limit their use to one-QSO-per-FM-satellite. This includes the International Space Station. You will be allowed one QSO if the ISS is operating Voice. You will also be allowed one digital QSO with the ISS or any other digital, non-store-and-forward, packet satellite (if operational).

If you have worked the satellites on Field Day in recent years, you may have noticed a lot of good contacts can be made on some of the less-populated, low-earth-orbit satellites like VUSat OSCAR-52,Fuji-OSCAR 29 (may or may not be operational), AMSAT-OSCAR 7. During Field Day the transponders come alive like 20 meters on a weekend. The good news is that the transponders on these satellites will support multiple simultaneous contacts. The bad news is that you can't use FM, just low duty cycle modes like SSB and CW.

The AMSAT Field Day 2012 event is open to all Amateur Radio operators. Amateurs are to use the exchange as specified in ARRL rules for Field Day. The AMSAT competition is to encourage the use of all amateur satellites,

both analog and digital.

For the complete listing of the AMSAT Field Day Rules please refer to

the documents posted on-line at:

http://www.amsatnet.com/fd2012.doc

http://www.amsatnet.com/fd2012.pdf

Links are also accessible from http://www.amsat.org front page.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

Japan Amateur Radio Satellite Launch May 17 - Telemetry on 437.375 MHz

The May 17 launch from Japan of the H-IIA rocket delivered a JAXA climate observation satellite SHIZUKU (GCOM-W) and a South Korean earth observation mission KOMPSAT-3 into orbit also launched an amateur radio satellite HORYU-2, built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT).

The HORYU-2 Cubesat includes several experiments:

300 volt power generation in LEOCOTS technology demonstration of surface potential measurementOrbital debris observationEarth photography

The satellite callsign is JG6YBW and radio amateurs are asked to listen for the 437.375 MHz telemetry downlink. The CW data is composed of an 11 character callsign "JG6YBW HORYU" followed by 15 characters of telemetry data. Details of the telemetry format are available via a link on the AMSAT-UK web.

More information is available on the web:

Horyu website in Google English: http://tinyurl.com/HoryuSatellite

http://www.uk.amsat.org/6638

http://www.uk.amsat.org/4279

http://www.uk.amsat.org/7404

http://www.uk.amsat.org/7540 (showing Horyu-2 separation on-orbit)

Initial TLE set can be found on-line at:

http://kitsat.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/Docu...tation/TLE.txt

The 437.375 MHz telemetry downlink also transmits 1200 bps AX.25 packet radio. There is a monthly competition for those who send data received from the telemetry to the KIT server, via the HORYU-2 telemetry analysis software which can be downloaded from the Kyushu Institute of Technology web.

Day 1 Initial Reception Reports

The CW signal from HORYU-2 was copied in South America by LW2DTZ on 437.375 MHz on May 17 on a 10 degree elevation pass using 7 element yagi antenna. A strong downlink CW beacon signal was heard in Sudan by ST2NH. GW1FKY reported a strong signal was heard in Wales, UK. JE9PEL captured downlink telemetry from Japan.

[ANS thanks the Horyu-2 team and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Three Hams Arrive at ISS & Prepare for SpaceX Dragon Arrival

The three crew members who are licensed amateur radio operators were successfully launched on Monday aboard a Russian Soyuz TMA-04M space craft from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan and have arrived at the International Space Station. The three ham crew consists of NASA Flight Engineer Joseph Acaba, KE5DAR, and two Russian crewmates, Soyuz Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS.

Their arrival brings the crew roster up to six as they join Expedition 31 Commander Oleg Kononenko, RN3DX, of the Russian Federal Space Agency, Flight Engineer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, of NASA and Flight Engineer Andrei Kuipers, PI9ISS, of the European Space Agency, who have been aboard the ISS since December 2011.

NASA reported on the events after arrival of the crew in their ISS On-Orbit Status report. The NASA ISS daily status report for May 18 notes that Joe, KE5DAR also powered on the ham radio station in the Russian Service Module. A NASA video report of the ISS crew activities describes the activities.

The new crew members will begin preparations for the arrival of an unmanned Dragon cargo ship built by SpaceX. Originally scheduled for launch on May 19, a faulty check valve on an engine caused an abort. SpaceX is replacing the failed valve. The next launch attempt is at present planned for Tuesday, May 22 at 3:44 AM EDT (UTC-4).

Dragon will deliver about 1150 pounds of food, clothing and other low-priority items. The capsule then will be repacked with around 1455 pounds of trash and no-longer-needed components and detached from the space station on May 31. SpaceX plans to guide the craft back to Earth for a parachute descent to a Pacific Ocean splashdown to complete the test flight. If the test flight goes well, SpaceX hopes to begin routine cargo delivery missions in August, 2012. The Dragon capsule will also deliver 15 student experiments from the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program (SSEP).

Soon after Dragon a Russian Progress vehicle will arrive. In July a Japanese HTV cargo ship will arrive. The crew will also be managing over 215 scientific investigations affecting over 400 scientists on the ground.

An on-line Expedition 31 Mission Status page can be found at:

http://spaceflightnow.com/station/exp31/status.html

For additional details of the Soyuz launch see:

http://spaceflightnow.com/station/exp31/120514launch/

Archived video of the Soyuz launch can be viewed on-line at:

http://www.universetoday.com/95174/e...31-blasts-off/

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CubeSat Article in Time Magazine

In an article titled, "How a Pocket-Size Satellite Could Find Another Earth", Time Magazine reports that unlike the massive NASA Kepler probe the next mission to search for new planets will be a tiny CubeSat called ExoplanetSat.

Time says: What makes ExoplanetSat even more un-NASA-like is that it began as a class project □ although admittedly, the class was at MIT. It was a design-and-build course, which the university□s engineering students have to take in order to graduate. In a recent semester, the class was co-taught by Sara Seager [KB1WTW] an astrophysicist who has done groundbreaking research studying how the atmospheres of planets orbiting distant stars might look like from earthly telescopes. Seager recruited five science undergrads to join her engineers, on the

theory that out in the real world, they□d eventually have to work with engineers anyway.

The group is developing a prototype ExoplanetSat capable of monitoring a single, bright, sun-like star for two years. Planned to launch late 2012 or 2013 it is hoped it will open the gates for ExoplanetSat interest and funding. Once the funding doors are opened, then the fleet of ExoplanetSats can be launched. The fleet may contain as many as a hundred of these small satellites, each focused on its own star.

In a 2011 visit to Cambridge, UK, Sara said □The reason why we□re excited is because we think that this is a really huge thing. Hundreds and thousands of years from now, people will look back and ask, what are the significant accomplishments of our society in the early twenty-first century? One of them will be that we were the first to discover other worlds and other worlds that might be like Earth. When you think back four hundred years, what do you remember? You think about Christopher Columbus and Lewis and Clark. It□s the exploration□finding things that were new to our culture. And that□s why we□re excited.□

Read the Times Magazine article at

http://www.time.com/time/health/arti...114158,00.html

MIT paper on ExoplanetSat

http://dspace.mit.edu/openaccess-dis...e/1721.1/61644

AMSAT-UK article at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/7348

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Promising Future of CubeSat Missions in UK Metro Newspaper

The May 14, 2012 edition of the Metro newspaper carried a story by Ben Gilliland, "The next space age: Cuberty", on pages 26-27 about CubeSats. Among those mentioned is the UK amateur radio Android smartphone CubeSat STRaND-1 which is being built by volunteers at the Surrey Space Centre (SSC). You will be prompted for an email address but anything that looks like an email address will keep the prompt happy and you can then read the newspaper.

Ben Gilliland□s article is also available on the CosmOnline website. See also: http://www.uk.amsat.org/7395

[ANS thanks Trevor, M5AKA and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK. The AMSAT front page news at http://www.amsat.org has the instructions to submit your nominations.The 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Symposium will be held at the Holiday Inn, Orlando (Florida) Airport on October 26-28, 2012. The First Call for Papers has been issued. The Symposium Team requests a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings. Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv at amsat.org. Watch for the latest 2012 Symposium information to be posted on the AMSAT web.While the AMSAT on-line store is closed due to technical issues you can place an order through the AMSAT office. The hours are 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM EDT. Our phone number is 301-589-6062. Martha is looking forward to hearing from you!Clint Bradford, K6LCS and Rich Arland K7SZ collaborated on an article, "Learning Curve - Working the Birds" which was just published in the May, 2012 Dayton Special issue of CQ magazine.The future plans of the QB50 network of 50 CubeSats in a 'string-of-pearls' configuration that will be launched together in the first half of 2015 by a single rocket has caught the attention of the press. The UK Daily Mail published an article how the network of 50 satellites aims to find out what happens INSIDE the northern lights and hopefully 'forecast' solar weather.A Video showing a time lapse view of Earth's Northern Hemisphere from Russia's Electro-L Weather Satellite is posted on-line.+ Two videos, one of the Aalto-1, about Finland's first satellite project, showing their new groundstation and an animation of the mission is posted on the AMSAT-UK web.+ Though likely no operation on amateur radio satellites at this time, the re-planned TX5, Clipperton Island DXpedition has a plan to utilize satellites. The Cordell Expeditions is pleased to announce a DXpedition to Clipperton Island in early 2013. The team of 24 will sail from San Diego on February 19, 2013, and will be active from Clipperton for 10 days starting around March 1. They will be active on all bands and all modes, and will use DXA, the satellite-linked system that displays near-real-time log data on any Web

browser. They state, "We invite your participation in this project, as a team member, supporter, or callsign in our log!"

Clipperton Island Web page: http://www.cordell.org/CI/index.html

Details of DXA satellite program: http://www.cordell.org/DXA/

The DXA program is also planned to be used on a Cordell Expeditions trip to VK0H, Heard Island in early 2014. (via Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1062, and #1062.2)+ 51 years ago on May 5, 1961, NASA launched the Mercury-Redstone 3 rocket carrying Alan B. Shepard, Jr. aboard the Freedom 7 capsule. Shepard successfully became America□s first man in space, making a brief but historic suborbital test flight that propelled American astronauts into the space race of the 1960s. NASA has compiled a video from from photographs taken by a film camera mounted to the Freedom 7 spacecraft. Compare the view in 1961 with the latest generation of space video we routinely receive from the ISS.+ Tom Doyle, W9KE posted a video demonstrating a feature he hoped to turn into a SatPC32 Add-On. It provides a "Look Down" perspective as if you were a passenger aboard the satellite. The video is HD and looks best viewed full screen in 720p.+ Check out the view of the Big Dipper from 290 million km away taken by NASA's Juno spacecraft en route to Jupiter.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that please keep in mind if you were to take all of the water on Earth, all of the fresh water, sea water, ground water, water vapor and water inside our bodies, take all of it and somehow collect it into a single, giant sphere of liquid, it would make a ball 860 miles (1,385 km) in diameter, only about as wide edge-to-edge as the distance between Salt Lake City to Topeka, Kansas. That's it.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

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823. The ARRL Letter for May 24, 2012

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Date: 2012-05-24 21:47:02 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120524184746.8199626CA2F@bmail.arrl.org>
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+ Available on ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

==> + DISCOVER DIGITAL QST!

If you're an ARRL member, you now have access to the new digital
edition <http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201206/index.php> of
the June 2012 issue of QST. It is available to all ARRL members at no
cost. All you need to do is log on to the ARRL website. Also available:
digital editions of the January through May 2012 issues. You will find
links to all the digital editions on our website
<http://www.arrl.org/qst/>. But wait -- there's more! All ARRL members
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now also have access to every issue of QST via the Periodicals Archive <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-periodicals-archive-search> -- from the first issue, published in December 1915, through the December 2011 issue. You'll find more information about the digital edition in the FAQ <http://www.arrl.org/digital-qst-faq> (frequently asked questions) section. We hope you enjoy the new digital editions of QST. Unless you have chosen to opt out <http://www.arrl.org/QST-Print-Edition-Opt-Out-Form> of the print edition, you will continue to receive QST in the mail each month.

==> + DAYTON HAMVENTION®: THOUSANDS OF HAMS GET "INTERNATIONALLY CONNECTED" IN DAYTON

When Hara Arena -- home of the Dayton Hamvention for the past 48 years -- opened its doors at 9 AM on Friday, May, 18, thousands of hams swarmed in, eager to see the latest and greatest that Amateur Radio has to offer. And they weren't disappointed! With the introduction of three new transceivers this year, as well as hundreds of vendors inside and in the world-famous flea market, there was a definite buzz in the air, especially within the ARRL EXPO

ARRL EXPO -- located in the Ball Arena Hall of the large Hara Arena -- included more than 20 exhibits staffed by ARRL program representatives. Among the new booths for 2012 was an exhibit introducing the new digital edition of QST, ARRL's membership journal. There were laptops, tablets and iPads on hand at the booth so hams could explore the online edition of QST. All ARRL members now have access to this exciting new member benefit.

Visitors to the ARRL EXPO saw a lot of activities relating to DX, including DXCC card checking and a chance to drop off QSL cards for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau. Representatives from the International Amateur Radio Union and IARU Member-Societies, including the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club, the Japan Amateur Radio League, the Qatar Amateur Radio Society and the Radio Society of Great Britain were on hand within the ARRL EXPO. "The theme of the 2012 Hamvention was Internationally Connected," explained ARRL Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R. "What better way to get connected than meeting with fellow radio amateurs from around the world?" Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/thousands-of-hams-get-internationally-connected-in-dayton>.

==> + SCOUTING AND AMATEUR RADIO: ICOM TO SUPPORT BOY SCOUTS AT NATIONAL JAMBOREE AND AT LOCAL COUNCIL LEVEL

Against the backdrop of the 2012 Dayton Hamvention® -- the largest gathering of radio amateurs in the US -- ICOM America announced a sponsorship agreement with the Boy Scouts of America for the organization's 2012 National Scout Jamboree. As the BSA's official Amateur Radio transceiver supplier for the jamboree, ICOM will provide equipment and technical support for the K2BSA radio operation, the Radio merit badge and Jamboree on the Air. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/icom-to-support-boy-scouts-at-national-jamboree-and
-at-local-council-level>.

==> CQ ANNOUNCES 2012 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

CQ magazine announced its 2012 Hall of Fame inductees on May 18, welcoming 16 new members into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame, two new members of the CQ DX Hall of Fame and two new members of the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to Amateur Radio, as well as those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to Amateur Radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet. The CQ Contest and DX Halls of Fame honor those amateurs who not only excel in personal performance in these major areas of Amateur Radio but who also "give back" to Amateur Radio in outstanding ways. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/cq-announces-2012-hall-of-fame-inductees>.

==> + NEW "PRB-1" LAW NOW IN EFFECT IN OHIO

On May 15, Ohio Governor John Kasich signed a bill, granting comprehensive rights to Amateur Radio operators in that state. HB 158 codifies the federal restrictions on the local zoning of amateur station antenna structures, thereby preserving Amateur Radio Service communications as a Homeland Security resource, placing the burden of proof for compliance on the zoning authority. According to ARRL Ohio Section Manager Frank Piper, KI8GW, this places the full language of Section 97.15 <http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&sid=b95e71ef3fb3aac663d8913d35a596f0&rgn=div8&view=text&node=47:5.0.1.1.6.1.157.8&idno=47> into the Ohio Revised Code: "This new law law states that 'Any legislative authority that denies an application for approval of an amateur station antenna structure shall state the reasons for the denial and shall, on appeal, bear the burden of proving that the authority's actions are consistent with this section.' This language removes the burden of proof from the Amateur Radio operator and places it on the legislative authority." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/new-prb-1-law-now-in-effect-in-ohio>.

==> SECTION MANAGER ELECTIONS: ARRL SPRING SECTION MANAGER ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED

Of the nine Section Manager elections this spring, two were decided by member balloting. Ballots were counted on May 22 at ARRL Headquarters. Terms for these ARRL Field Organization officials begin July 1. Lou Everett Sr, WA5LOU, of Indianapolis, was elected as the new Indiana Section Manager, and Paul Eakin, KJ4G, of Panacea, was re-elected as the North Florida Section Manager. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-spring-section-manager-election-results-announced>.

==> + FCC DISMISSES TEXAS HAM'S FOURTH PETITION, CALLS IT "REPETITIVE"

For the fourth time in six years, the FCC has rejected a Petition for Rulemaking filed by Glen Zook, K9STH. In each of his Petitions, (2006, April 2009, 2011 and a Petition for Reconsideration in December 2009), Zook has asked the FCC to change its station identification rules as set forth in Section 97.119(a). His 2011 Petition was no different: Zook told the FCC that since "[v]irtually every amateur station does not identify at the end of the communication," he requested that the station identification rule be amended to provide that if an amateur station transmits its call sign during its first transmission, that station need not transmit its call sign at the end of the transmission, provided that the transmission is less than three minutes. Zook called this the "3-minute rule." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-dismisses-texas-ham-s-fourth-em-petition-em-calls-it-repetitive>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Greater than stars or Suns <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dWeeK1RlOJ8>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers declined seven points over the past week, to 110.3, while the average daily solar flux dropped 3.3 points to 131. These unsettled geomagnetic conditions over the past few days most likely resulted from an interplanetary shock wave due to a solar flare on May 20. The predicted planetary A index is 12, 5 and 8 on May 24-26, then 5 on May 27-28, 8 on May 29, 5 on May 30-June 4, then 8, 12, 15, 10 and 8 on June 5-9, followed by 5 on June 10-11, 8 on June 12-13, 5 on June 14-16, then 8, 15, 10 and 8 on June 17-20, and 5 on June 21-25. The predicted solar flux is 115 on May 24-25, 110 on May 26, 105 on May 27-30, 115 on May 31, then 120, 125, 125 and 130 on June 1-4, and 135 on June 5-9. Four new sunspot groups arose in the past week, on May 18, 20, 22 and 23. Until June 4, the predicted solar flux values are below the average for the past week, at 127.7. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, May 25. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Ralph Vaughan Williams' Sea Symphony <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sea_Symphony> (IV The Explorers), taken from Walt Whitman's Leaves of Grass <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass> (Book XXVI <http://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass/Book_XXVI>, Passage to India, verse 8).

==> + SILENT KEY: FORMER ARRL FIRST VICE PRESIDENT STEVE MENDELSOHN, W2ML (SK)

After a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer, Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, of Dumont, New Jersey, passed away May 23. He was 67. An ARRL Life Member, Mendelsohn began his time with ARRL in 1983 when he was elected as Vice Director of the Hudson Division. After two terms as Vice Director, he was elected as Hudson Division Director in 1987. In 1996, the ARRL Board of Directors elected Mendelsohn as its First Vice President, where he served until 2000. The next year, he was again

elected as the Hudson Division Vice Director, serving through 2004.

Outside of his League activities, Mendelsohn was active both as the Communications Director of the New York City Marathon and, along with his wife Heidi, W2MLW, as the Game Day Frequency Coordinator (GDC) for the New York Jets. The November 2007 issue of QST featured Mendelsohn on its cover, along with an article about him and the GDC program. Mendelsohn was inducted into the CQ Hall of Fame last week for his contributions to the ARRL, the New York City Marathon and the National Football League. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-arrl-first-vice-president-steve-mendelsohn-w2ml-sk>.

==> SILENT KEY: FORMER ARRL ATLANTIC VICE DIRECTOR JIM MOZLEY, W2BCH (SK)

James M. Mozley, W2BCH -- who served as Vice Director of the ARRL Atlantic Division from 1986-89 -- died May 13. He was 89. A long-time resident of Camillus, New York, Mozley was active in the ARRL Western New York Section as an Assistant Section Manager and as an Official Emergency Station. He also served as an Official Observer from 1991-2004. He also served as the Western New York Section Emergency Coordinator when Bill Thompson, W2MTA, became the Section Communications Manager in 1980. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-arrl-vice-director-jim-mozley-w2bch-sk>.

==> + ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed Monday, May 28 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. There will be no W1AW code practice or bulletin transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, May 29 at 8 AM (EDT). We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: AMATEURS ASKED TO LISTEN FOR HORYU-2 SATELLITE

The Japanese HORYU-2 <http://kitsat.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/index_e_new.html> research satellite was launched May 17 at 1639 UTC as part of a mission that included the JAXA climate observation satellite Shizuku. HORYU-2 was built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT) and it carries the call sign JG6YBW. The satellite will conduct a variety of experiments including high-voltage power generation and space debris measurements. Amateurs have been asked to monitor HORYU-2's Morse code and 1200-baud AX.25 packet telemetry at 437.375 MHz. Telemetry decoding software is available for download <http://kitsat.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/Documents/ground_station/Horyu2%20Data_Analysis_Program_japanese.zip>.
To encourage hams to submit reports, KIT will conduct a monthly prize drawing. Details are available here <http://kitsat.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/Documents/ground_station/english/Receive_com

petition_eng.pdf>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- May 25 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- May 26-27 -- CQ WW WPX Contest (CW)
- May 27 -- QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint (local time); SARL Digital Contest
- May 27-28 -- Michigan QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint

Next week:

- June 1 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder; HA3NS Sprint Memorial Contest
- June 2 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- June 2-3 -- Alabama QSO Party; Maritime QSO Party; 10-10
International Open Season PSK Contest; SEANET Contest
- June 5 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electro
nics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,

Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 4 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1815 with a release date of May 25th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The 2012 Dayton Hamvention is in the history books, well take you there. Logbook Of The World logs an important milestone and you're never too old to learn a thing or two. These stories and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1815 coming your way right now.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: DAYTON 2012

The city of Dayton, Ohio was invaded over the weekend of May 18, 19 and 20 by radio amateurs from all over the world for the Dayton Hamvention. By all accounts it was a huge success. The weather was, for the first time in many years, absolutely perfect. Sunny days in the upper 80s and clear nights in the 50s made for great strolls through the massive flea market. No matter what obscure or rare item you're looking for, odds are that someone in the flea market has it for sale. The old saying of "if you can't find it at Dayton it doesn't exist" is really true. Don Dubon, N6JRL is president of the Dayton Amateur Radio Association, the sponsoring club for the Hamvention. He says this was an excellent year.

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Of course, it takes more than just DARA to put on a show of this size. It is truly a group effort.

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Always at the sharp end of the pileup is Bob Heil, K9EID.

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This year, Bob added television host to his resume. Ham Nation is an Internet television show all about amateur radio and the crowds were even thicker around Audio Alley.

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Amateur Radio Newsline is honored to be a part of Ham Nation. Bringing the magic of our great hobby and service to a new and very receptive audience.

Amid the new product announcements was very exciting news that Icom is now the official amateur radio supplier of the Boy Scouts of America Jamboree On The air. Icom has assembled a number of self contained "go kits" containing everything needed to get on the air from JOTA and other scouting events consisting of an Icom IC 7200 and everything else needed to get on the air.

Kenwood debuted their latest and greatest, the TS-990. Phil Parton, N4DRO goes over some of the features.

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Expect the new TS-990 to begin shipping in the last quarter of this year. The retail list price hasn't been released yet, but Phil says between $5000 and $10,000 is a good ballpark. From the looks of it, it's worth every penny.

Another new rig debuted at Hamvention was the long awaited Heiberling PT-8000. As we hear from DH7JH, it is indeed finally a reality.

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So how much is the Heiberling PT-8000 you ask?

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Yes. He said $17,000. Not Euros, US Dollars. Time to start saving that spare change.

Over the years Amateur Radio Newsline has relied on one seasoned, some say grizzled, Dayton veteran to distill the Dayton experience down to it's true essence. That fabled old ham is none other than Chip Margelli, K7JA from CQ Publications.

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That , of course, just scratches the surface of Hamvention 2012. We'll have more from Dayton in next week's Amateur Radio Newsline report.

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WD6HFR repeater serving the region around Palomar, California.

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RADIO BUSINESS: LIGHTSQUARED - THE NEVER ENDING STORY TAKES A NEW TURN

Is it an end to the story that never seems to end? Possibly as word that LightSquared Inc. has filed for Federal bankruptcy protection. This as it says that it will continue to try and resolve the concerns of U.S. regulators who frustrated the company's plan to deliver high-speed wireless to as many as 260 million people.

LightSquared, based in Reston, Virginia, listed assets of $4.48 billion and debt of $2.29 billion as of February 29th in a Chapter 11 filing May 14th in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan, New York. The filing followed intense negotiations with creditors, who had requested that the company's backer, Philip Falcone, step aside. Falcone and the current management team will remain with the company according to company spokesperson , Terry Neal.

But this might not be the last time we hear from LightSquared. In a statement, Falcone noted that the bankruptcy filing was not option the company embraced quickly or easily. Rather that it was necessary to protect LightSquared against creditors who were looking for a quick profit.

Falcone added that LightSquared remains committed to our original mission, and that he is steadfast in his belief that a path forward exists that will satisfy and benefit all constituencies.

LightSquared's plans for a high speed high speed broadband network hit a roadblock in February. That's when the FCC said it would withdraw preliminary approval for the company's network after government tests found that the signals would interfere with global-positioning systems. That decision followed a yearlong fight between LightSquared versus GPS users and providers.

The bottom line: If Lightsquared is successful in reorganizing under the Federal Bankruptcy Law, the never ending story could be with us for some time to come. (Published news reports)

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RADIO EDUCATION: DXING FROM THE BLACK HOLE SEMINARS IN ILLINOIS IN SEPT

"DX'ing from the Black Hole is the title of a multi-session course to be presented this fall in conjunction with the 60th W9DXCC DX Convention to be held in Schaumburg, Illinois,

The W9DXCC convention committee has announced it will offer a 4 session class on Friday, September 14th to introduce ham operators to the excitement and fun of DXing.

The class has been designed for new and inexperienced DX'ers. Each session will cover a different aspect of DX'ing including operating practices, station design, chasing awards, QSL'ing and propagation from the area known as the Black Hole.

All presenters are accomplished DXers from the Northern Illinois DX Association. Between them they represent over 100 years of experience that includes participation in DXpedition operations to rare locations around the world and numerous awards. Please contact W9MU by e-mail to jhudson (at) wishcom (dot) net for further details and information." (W9DXCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: D-STAR AT THE 2012 LONDON OLYMPICS

The London GB7OK D-STAR repeater server has been updated with Jonathan Naylor, G4KLX's software and can now access all D-STAR reflectors. Also, four new D-Star nodes in London area have come on air just in time for 2012 Olympics. The four nodes are MB6IHF in West London, MB6INL in North London, MB6IOK in South East London and MB6SS located in South West London. All four nodes will give D-STAR access to all Dplus, XRF and DCS reflectors. (G1HIG)

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RADIO MARKETPLACE: CW LAUNCHES INDUSTRY INSIDER NEWSLETTER

CQ Communications has announced the launch of the CQ Industry Insider, an e-mail newsletter for the hobby radio industry. The newsletter will report on news and trends in the amateur radio, scanning and listening marketplace, as well as company news and announcements, marketing tips and an idea exchange for spotlighting concepts for new products and services.

According to Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, the goal in publishing the Industry Insider is to help businesses in the amateur radio industry thrive and grow by sharing industry news and trends, marketing tips and product ideas.

The Editor of the CQ Industry Insider is Jason Feldman, who currently works with both Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online, and is Director of Pop'Comm's monitoring registration program. He came to CQ with considerable experience in producing e-mail trade newsletters.

Feldman will be backed up by Ad Manager Chip Margelli, K7JA; Editorial Director Rich Moseson, W2VU; Production Director Dottie Kehrwieder, and the rest of the CQ Communications staff.

The CQ Industry Insider is being distributed initially to companies and individuals already on the CQ advertising department e-mail list. Industry members not on the list who would like to be added should contact Chip Margelli by e-mail to ads@cq-amateur-radio.com. (CQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD MARKS 50,000 USERS

A Serbian ham is the holder of what can best be described as an electronic honor. On May 1st Dragan Pavlovic, YT3PDT, completed his registration process for Logbook of The World. As such he becamethe 50,000th person to take advantage of the ARRL's online QSL confirmation system.

According to ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N there are more than 3500 individuals from outside the US in the process of obtaining a digital certificate. There are also numerous hams here in the US who have started the certificate process, but not yet finished. (ARRL, WIA)

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WORLDBEAT: WRTH A-12 SHORTWAVE BROADCAST SCHEDULES AVAILABLE

The World Radio and Television Editorial team has announced that the Summer 'A' season broadcasting schedules file is now available to download, free of charge, from the WRTH website. The 86 page file is approximately 4500 kB in size and contains the kind of information that SWL's need to keep on top of the summer DX season. To get a copy take your web browser to www.wrth.com and follow the link "Latest PDF Updates." (WRTH)

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WORLDBEAT: EGYPT NATIONAL SOCIETY TO CONCENTRATE ON YOUTH EDUCATION

IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders, PA2LS, reports that youth oriented amateur radio activities in Egypt are on the increase.

In a recent report, Leenders noted that the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society or ERASD, has announced plans to promote and improve amateur radio services and youth activities in Egypt. This through the participation in more international and regional activities.

An ERASD prepared plan for three years is divided into four key points. These are Radio Activities, Education, Society's Station, Media. During the radio Activity the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society will be providing educational programs and materials to promote amateur radio and develop the scientific and technical skills of youth in the hobby. (IARU Region 1, Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: NORTHERN IRELAND BALLYMENA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB TURNS 65

Northern Irelands Ballymena Times reports that the Ballymena Amateur Radio Club has recognized by Ballymena Borough Council for their 65 years of service to the community.

Recently, members of the club were invited to the Ballymena Mayor's office to be presented with a plaque for their achievement. Chairman Aubrey Kincaid gave a short speech to Mayor Hubert Nicholl explaining the club's history. According to Aubrey, the club was officially started back in 1947 by local radio enthusiasts and ex-servicemen. However it's thought a club was in operation and on the air as far back as 1929. (IRTS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: STUDENT PROJECT MAY FLY IN SPACE

GoErie.com reports on the work of students from Penn State Behrend who developed a super capacitor based energy storage device designed to replace the silver-zinc battery on ARISSat type satellites.

According to the report, when David Jesberger, Kathleen Nicholas and Jacob Sherk graduated on May 4th from Penn State Behrend, they left behind a finished senior project that could soon be headed into space. This is because senior engineering students at Behrend pitch ideas each year for projects they would like to tackle in their final year.

Nicholas, Jesberger and Sherk all bid for a chance to be part of a project for the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. The result of their work was a collection of fifteen super-capacitors linked together by a circuit board that also contained their names and the famed college mascot Nittany Lion paw print. You can read more about this student team effort on-line at tinyurl.com/supercap-battery. (Erie Times News, Southgate)

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RADIO EDUCATION: IEEE BROADCAST TECHNIOLOGY SOCIETY EXTENDS ABSTRACT DEADLINE

The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers' Broadcast Technology Society has announced an extension of the deadline for receiving abstracts of prospective papers to be presented at the organization's annual fall 2012 IEEE Broadcast Symposium. A final date of May 31st has been set for delivery of abstracts by prospective presenters.

Submissions are welcomed from broadcasters, researchers, developers, technology suppliers and service providers within the field of broadcasting. Submissions must indicate that abstract is for the 2012 IEEE Broadcast Symposium, and contain complete contact information, including the author's full name, affiliation, mailing address and telephone number. Abstracts should be limited to 1,000 words and should be sent via email to bts@ieee.org.

Proposals for panel discussions involving technology, applications, business models and policy-related issues and opportunities within the broadcasting industry are also being solicited. In addition, proposals for half-day tutorial sessions on broadcast technology topics are welcomed.

This year's symposium event will be held in Alexandria, Virginia from October 17th to the 19th. (RW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NEW JERSEY CLUB TO ACTIVATE SUBMARINE RADIO STATION

The Nutley Amateur Radio Society, of Nutley New Jersey, will be activating the radio room of the World War II Submarine the USS Ling. This as a part of the world-wide Museum Ships Weekend on June 2nd and 3rd.

The Ling is a Balao class fleet submarine, measuring 312 feet and is a permanent museum ship, berthed on the Hackensack River at Hackensack, New Jersey. As we go to air it is expected that amateur radio stations on over 75 museum ships will be on the air for this event. (K2DC)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: NYC MARATHON COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR AND FORMER NEWSLINE CONTRIBUTOR STEVE MENDELSOHN, W2ML - SK

For each of the 36 years that the New York City Marathon has been run, Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, could be found in the lead vehicle with the race director traveling along with the lead male runner and relaying messages via ham radio. But this coming November, Steve will not be there. This is because our longtime friend lost his valiant battle against Pancreatic Cancer the morning of May 23rd. Steve was only 67 when he died at his home in Dumont, New Jersey. And as our producer Bill Pasternak tells us, this for him is not an easy goodbye:

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Its not easy to say goodbye to a friend, and in the case of someone whom you have known for a good part of your life. So while others will give you statistics and facts about what Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, did in his rather amazing life, I want to share a few personal thoughts.

I fist met Steve when he was working for one of the supply houses near what we New Yorkers called Radio Roe. Steve was a salesman and I had just saved enough to purchase the transmitter of my dreams. A Hallicrafters HT-40. Not the completed unit but rather the kit.

The truth be known, Steve tried to talk me out of the purchase saying there were better units for about the same price. But none of those covered 6 meters in addition to HF and so he made the sale. And as a result of that quick conversation we became friends for life. Only neither of us knew it at the time.

Fast forward the timeline to the late 1960's. In those days the ham radio meeting ground in New York City was the WA2SUR repeater on 2 meters operated by the late George LeDoux, K1TKJ. And it was there one afternoon that I heard some folks in QSO. One of the people had a familiar voice. His call was WA2DHF and his name was Steve. So I joined the QSO and quickly learned that this was the same Steve who had sold me the HT-40 kit almost a decade earlier. And I guess this is where it really all began.

There are a couple of personal stories involving Steve that I want to relate because they tell far more about Steve than anything purely ham radio, albeit both do have a ham radio connection.

The first revolves around the WA2ZWP repeater that a group of us Brooklynites put up in the late 1960's. We knew from the outset that we would be using a voice I-D but none of us knew how to properly interface an automotive 8 track player to an RCA Carfone transmitter. But Steve Mendelsohn did and he spent several evenings with this reporter explaining how to make the transistors in the tape player talk to the tubes in the repeater transmitter with no distortion and not so loud as to cover up those who were involved in a QSO. Steve knew audio technology and gladly shared it with myself and others.

But the most important Steve Mendelsohn story is the one that completely changed my life. It was in the winter of 1970. I was dating a gal named Sharon Wagner and every Sunday morning found me winding my way from Brooklyn out to Valley Stream to pick up the lady to go - well - go somewhere or do something. Be it just lunch and a movie or whatever, I would pick her up and we would be off to that proverbial somewhere. And it also became a ritual for everyone on WA2SUR to say hello to Sharon and for her to say hi in return. This with me in control of the transceiver. A Regency HR-2 as I recall.

Well this one Sunday after we had all said our hello's via WA2SUR, Steve says something like: ".you two have been going out for months. When are you going to ask the girl to marry you?"

At first I hemmed and hawed a bit looking for an excuse, but there was none to be had. Steve had put me into a corner where it was either catch the fish or cut bait and run. I knew that I was in love with the lady, so with all of New York hamdom listening in on 146.73 MHz, I asked Sharon to change her last name from Wagner to Pasternak. She immediately accepted and that September Sharon and I said "I Do."

If not for Steve, I do not know if I would have asked Sharon or any gal to become my wife. But thanks to him, I was forced to make a decision that was definitely the right one. 40 years so far and headed toward 41.

Over the decades Steve remained a true friend. Even after I moved West, we were never very long out of contact. When e-mail came along, it was even easier.

I still remember sitting on the phone and having him tell me about the fate-full meeting that got him involved in coordinating ham radio communications for the New York City Marathon. A position he loved and kept up for some 37 years.

And especially that one evening at the Dayton Hamvention way back in the 1980's where Steve engineered and edited one of our Westlink Report newscasts that was anchored by the late broadcast legend Jean Shepherd, K2ORS. A newscast recorded on a modified Sony portable reel to reel recorder that Steve had found out in his garage and made to work once again just for this occasion.

Theres so much more that I could relate if only we had the time because to me, Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, was more than just another voice on the air. For the better part of five decades he was an important part of my life. He was my friend, and I will miss him.

Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and I dedicate this weeks newscast to my friend, the late Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML.

73 old buddy. I know we will meet once again in the future on the other side of the great eatherial abyss.

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According to Bill, its impossible to tell the story of Steve Mendelsohn's amazing life and career in a short news item like this. However several print publications have. This includes a lengthy and well written tribute by the ARRL that can be found at tinyurl.com/w2ml-sk and a New York Times item on Steve's career as a communications coordinator at tinyurl.com/marathon-race-radio.

Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML is survived by his wife Heidi, W2MLW. As we go to air, memorial survives for Steve have not yet been announced. (ARNewsline(tm))

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DX

In DX, word that F5IRO has received his Ugandan callsign 5X5RO. He will be operating CW and PSK during his spare time until June 8th. QSL via F8DFP.

OK7MT, OK5MM, and OK2PP have announced to be oprerational stroke P4 through May 31. They will sign P40H in the upcoming W-P-X CW Contest on May 26th and 27th. QSL via OK7MT.

Lastly, RK4FF should be on the air from Senegal as 6V7S through May 28th. Listen out for him on CW, SSB and RTTY on 80 through 10 meters. QSL via RK4FF.

(Above from various DX News Sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: 90 YEAR OLD UK HAM GETS MASTERS DEGREE

And finally this week, a story on higher education that involved a ham radio operator.

Bert Gladwin G3FVO, a former MI 6 electronics engineer, has become the United Kingdom's oldest new graduate at the age of 90. This after graduating with a Masters degree from the University of Buckingham.

In his youth Gladwin left school at 14 and worked as a delivery boy. During World War II he served with the Royal Air Force and developed an interest in radio communications. After the war he worked for the Marconi company and obtained his amateur radio license.

Gladwin then worked for the Foreign Office setting up communications systems for British embassies around the world. He embarked on his degree in Intelligence History and Bletchley Park Studies at the age of 89 together with his wife, who was then 77.

G3FVO is not new to being a senior in taking advanced higher education courses. At the age of 60, he decided to undertake obtaining a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. By the time he was 70 he had also completed a Bachelor of Science in Molecular Biology.

Bert Gladwin's advice to anyone considering a degree is to go for it at any age. He says that it's never too late to learn.

More is on-line at tinyurl.com/grad-at-90 (University of Buckingham)

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A reminder that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is now open. Full details and a downloadable nominating form are on our website at arnewsline.org/yhoty.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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RFinder - The World Wide Repeater Directory now supports DStar

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After attending the DStar forum in Dayton, it became apparent that there
was a lack of DStar repeater locating options to the vastly growing
population of DStar users

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Vintage RSGB Amateur Radio videos

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Two vintage RSGB amateur radio videos narrated by Jim Bacon G3YLA have been
posted on YouTube

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
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NZ4O Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

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A Radiowave Propagation Forecast For Hams As Well As Shortwave Radio DXers
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PhoneSat at Maker Faire

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The 2012 Bay Area Maker Faire in San Mateo took place May 19-20 and among
the stands was one displaying the PhoneSat amateur radio satellites

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630 km 10 GHz Rainscatter Contact

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This video shows an amateur radio contact between Mateusz Pigon SQ7DQX and
Torben Andersen OZ3ZW on 10 GHz using rainscatter propagation

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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THE SAN FRANCISCO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB SALUTES THE 75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE

The San Francisco Amateur Radio Club (SFARC) in cooperation with the California Historical Society (CHS) will mark the 75th anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge by contacting other amateur radio operators throughout the world on Saturday, May 26th and Sunday, May 27th. The SFARC will operate on five amateur bands (28.375 24.975 21.275 18.125 14.275 7.175 3.750 SSB) using the special Federal Communications Commission assigned call sign W6G. It will transmit from its home station located at the San Francisco Veteran☐s Administration Medical Center at 42nd Avenue and Clement Street for 26 hours beginning at 1:00 PM PDT on May 26th and ending at 3:00 PM PDT on May 27th.

In announcing this event, SFRAC President Tony Dowler, K6BV, stated, ☐We are extremely proud to be a part of this historic occasion. The Golden Gate Bridge is known throughout the world not only as a great engineering feat, but also as a symbol of the San Francisco Bay Area. In that spirit we will be assisted by members from the Marin County Amateur Radio Club.☐

☐As a radio amateur myself, I am particularly pleased that these two pioneer organizations are cooperating in this worldwide event.☐ stated CHS President Thomas R. Owens.

Dowler further advised that confirmation cards will be sent to all stations contacted that request one. In addition, any station contacting W6G on all five amateur bands will receive a special certificate from the CHS marking that achievement.

The CHS, established in 1871, is the official State historical society and the SFARC, founded in 1916, is the oldest amateur radio club in the San Francisco Bay Area.

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75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge Special Event Station

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RVARC Supports the Marine Corps Historic Half

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Fredericksburg, VA., May 24, 2012: Sunday, May 20, members of the

Rappahannock Valley Amateur Radio Club (RVARC) supported the running of the

Marine Corps Historic Half in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

This was the fifth running of this annual event and once again the hams of

the RVARC donated their time, skills and equipment to support the United

States Marine Corps and the athletes who participated in the 13.1-mile race.

The club president, Tom Harmon (AK1E), and club event coordinator Warren Lee

(W4SHS) manned phone, packet and APRSR radios and computers in the net

control station at the command and operations center while 26 other club

members were stationed around the course at mile markers, aid and water

stations, and in the lead and trailing vehicles escorting the runners. One

member, Frank Haas (WA4PAG), ran the course as a participant, carrying an

HT.

Operators deployed in the pre-dawn darkness two hours before the starting

howitzer. All stations were manned and ready when, just five minutes before

the gun, all communications on the primary net simplex frequency were

disrupted by a case of tropospheric ducting that brought in traffic on a

repeater more than 200 miles away. All stations then switched to our

secondary frequency and the net was back up and ready when the gun went off.

The only other problem the club encountered during the event happened

several hours later when the club's EmComm truck, nicknamed "Harvey" and

owned and operated by Bernhard Behling (KJ4VOV), suffered a catastrophic alternator meltdown while following the last runner. Tom Hitt (W4LLK) then took over in his own car as the tail vehicle for the remainder of the race.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Rappahannock Valley Amateur Radio Club, and ARRL-affiliated club, which has been the recipient of many awards as an enthusiastic supporter of public service events in the Fredericksburg area for the last six decades.

Those hams who took part in Sunday's event were:

Tom Harmon (AK1E), Warren Lee (W4SHS), Jack Cavanaugh (KB4XF), Dar Horne (KD4CVC), Nick McCormick (KK4GBI),

Dave Seals (KG4SUM), Bob Kenny (AA2FD), Larry Campbell (AK4FB),

Joe Hammel, Jr (N3KWA), David Collins (N4WDC), Steve Hare (KI4UDE), Paul Travis Jr (K0PT), Tim Gajewski (KU4IY), Andy Thompson (N9VT), Wayne Gardner (KI4DAK), Chuck Hayward (KK4GSI), Robby Cherry (KD4WUO), Dennis Kieper (K4GZS), Patrick Schwarz (KB8RTZ), Gordon Thomas (WB4LNT), Dave Perrussel (KK4GBC), John Cross (WB4TYS), Jim McCloud (KU4C), Tom Hitt (W4LLK), Scott Bey (KK4DBA), Bernhard Behling (KJ4VOV), David Garvin (NO3B), Frank Haas (WA4PAG)

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HamRadioNow Episode 12A: FCC Forum from Hamvention 2012

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Episode 12A: FCC Forum at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention®

This is the first of five videos from the Hamvention. The FCC's Bill Cross W3TN and Curt Bartholomew N3GQ

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Fcc explores use of emergency aerial communications

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FCC EXPLORES USE OF EMERGENCY AERIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO ENABLE QUICK RESTORATION OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS, OFFICIALS, AND THE PUBLIC AFTER A MAJOR DISASTER STRIKES

Deployable Aerial Communications Architecture (DACA) Notice of Inquiry
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☐During a disaster, when the terrestrial infrastructure is unavailable, DACA technologies could provide emergency communications to first responders and possibly civilians☐ noted David Furth, Acting Chief of the FCC☐s Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. ☐Ideally, DACA technologies could be deployed rapidly to the scene of a major disaster and enable immediate and continuous communications using the devices that first responders and other users carry with them everyday until the infrastructure is restored.☐

Federal, state, and local governments are constantly working to improve their emergency communications capabilities when a disaster strikes. Yet

there remains a gap during the first 72 hours after a catastrophic event when communications may be disrupted or completely disabled due to damaged facilities, widespread power outages, and lack of access by restoration crews into the affected area. DACA could provide temporary emergency communications to emergency management officials, first responders, critical infrastructure industry personnel, and the public to use their day-to-day communications devices seamlessly during and immediately after an emergency. Most significant, the use of DACA to ensure quick restoration of emergency communications could save lives.

In its Notice of Inquiry, the Commission seeks comment on:

· the deployment and operation of DACA technologies;

· the associated costs and benefits;

· coordinating and managing the use of DACA technologies; and

· authorizing the use of spectrum to support their operation.

The Notice of Inquiry also addresses DACA system performance issues, including questions on coverage area, capacity, interference mitigation, and interoperability.

Public comments are due 40 days from publication in the Federal Register, and reply comments are due 60 days from publication.

Action by the Commission May 24, 2012 by Notice of Inquiry (FCC 12-53). Chairman Genachowski, Commissioners McDowell, Clyburn, Rosenworcel and Pai. Separate statements issued by Chairman Genachowski, Commissioners McDowell, Clyburn, Rosenworcel and Pai.

For further information, contact Jennifer A, Manner, Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau at (202) 418-3619 or jennifer.manner@fcc.gov.

For more news and information about the FCC please visit www.fcc.gov.

Some background also available at: http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/depl...communications

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Nz4o mf/hf/6m radiowave propagation forecast #2012-22

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RADIOWAVE PROPAGATION FORECAST #2012-22

☐A Radiowave Propagation Forecast For Hams As Well As Shortwave Radio DXers
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This daily condensed HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast can also be found
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http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarC...39198369462931 and
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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

BAND: DAY -> NIGHT

80, 60, 40, 30 Meters: Poor -> Fair To Good

20, 17, 15 Meters: Good -> Good

12, 10 Meters: Fair -> Poor

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

BAND: DAY -> NIGHT

80, 60, 40, 30 Meters: Fair -> Good

20, 17, 15 Meters: Good -> Good

12, 10 Meters: Fair To Good -> Poor

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY LATITUDE-

Low Latitude- Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Normal

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY LATITUDE-

Low Latitude- Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Normal

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

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South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

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North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

FORECASTED FROM THE NORTHERN HEMISPHERE LONG PATH-

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial HF propagation conditions greater than

2000 mi/3200 km will be FAIR TO GOOD on 80, 60, 40 and 30 meters, FAIR TO GOOD on 20, 17, 15 and FAIR on 12 and 10 meters.

FORECASTED FROM THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE LONG PATH-

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial HF propagation conditions greater than

2000 mi/3200 km will be GOOD on 80, 60, 40 and 30 meters, GOOD on 20, 17, 15 and GOOD on 12 and 10 meters.

HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

GLOBAL 50000-54000 KC (6 Meters) PROPAGATION MODES EXPECTED FORECAST-

F2- None

Sporadic E (Es)- Yes

Aurora E High Latitude- Yes

Aurora E Mid Latitude- No

Troposphere Ducting- Yes

Trans Equatorial (TE) F2/F3- Yes

Meteor Scatter- No, excluding random meteors, lightning bolt plasma channels, space junk and alien spacecraft

Meter Band Equivalents

Ham SWL

160 90

80 75

60 60

40 49, 41

30 31, 25

20 22, 19

17 16, 15

15 13

12, 10 11

FORECASTED GLOBAL LIGHTNING NOISE (QRN)-

Northern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect VERY HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter season proximity

to the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) as well as cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low

pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect HIGH TO VERY HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect MODERATE TO HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect VERY HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer season

proximity to the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) and tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect HIGH TO VERY HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems, as well as tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect MODERATE TO HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Lightning Induced Noise (QRN) Forecast Scale-

Very High >+1 db Over S9

High- S7-9

Moderate- S4-6

Low- S1-3

None- S0

Standard Disclaimer-

Note! I use error prone RAW public domain data from the NOAA Space Environment Center, as well as other U.S. government organizations, to produce my radiowave propagation forecasts. This data is gathered and made public by the U.S. Government using taxpayer $$$. However the propagation forecast that I produce from the RAW public domain data is my personal intellectual property. Therefore this propagation forecast contained herein is copyrighted © 1988-2012 by Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O. Reproduction of and distribution of the propagation forecast herein is allowed without advanced permission as long as proper credit is given.

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RFinder The World Wide Repeater Driectory now supports DStar!

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Press Release

05/23/2012

From the QTH of W2CYK

For immediate release

After attending the DStar forum in Dayton, it became apparent that there was a lack of DStar repeater locating options to the vastly growing population of DStar users. We at RFinder The World Wide Repeater Directory feel that all repeaters world wide, coordinated or not, digital or analog, radio-linked connected via Voice over IP should be in Ham Radio's first and only truly geo-enabled international repeater directory.

We are pleased to announce that by 2300Z 5/24/2012 we will fully support DStar in the directory. Western Hemisphere data is already loaded and we intend to have Eastern Hemisphere loaded by the indicated time. Currently we are loading approximately once a week but we hope to have a more quasi-realtime feed loaded within a month.

The WWRD Supporting DStar is just another step of making The World Wide Repeater Directory, it's third party applications such as RT Systems and CHIRP and of course the RFinder family of programs on iPhone, Android and www, Ham Radio's one-stop-shop for repeater data, no matter what the technology used for repeating radio signals.

RFinder is available in the Apple App Store for iPhone and Android, the web version can be found at http://www.rfinder.net.

RT Systems radio programming software for Window is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://www.rtsystemsinc.com

CHIRP is open source software and is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://chirp.danplanet.com

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Hot off the (digital) press: 21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License

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21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License by Dan Romanchik, KB6NU is now available for the Kindle (http://www.amazon.com/Things-After-A...7801406&sr=1-3) and Nook (http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/21-t...=2940014442466). Written for the new ham□or the ham that hasn□t really been all that active lately□its 21 chapters include:

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828. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1063

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Date: 2012-05-25 20:30:27 UTC
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Message-ID: <926453.98030.qm@smtp112.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2995
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW WPX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW WPX CW Contest participants.

** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Short Dayton HamVention Wrap-Up By KB8NW): The 2012 Dayton HamVention was really great this year. The weather was hot, but good. The attendance was high - reported 25,000+. There were plenty of things to do and see. I heard there were great turnouts at all the dinner banquet, forums and the Contest University. The Northern Ohio DX Association's hospitality suite was once again a big hit with a record attendance. During the SWODXA DX Dinner, the CQ Hall of Fame awards (as seen in OPDX.1062.20) were announced by Chip/K7JA and Gail/K2RED. Your editor, along with Don/K8MFO and Tom/K8CX, was there to receive the plaque for Don Chesser, W4KVX (SK). Also, announced was the SWODXA's "DXpedition of the Year" given to the HK0NA Malpelo Island operation, and the "DXpeditioner of the Year" was given Rudy Klos, DK7PE. The DX Forum on Saturday, had excellent presentations on T32C, ST0R and HK0NA. However, the presentation that stood out was the one by Don Greenbaum, N1DG, on "DXpedition's Funding and Costs". This is something every DXer should see and should be shown at every DX association and club. It will open your eyes. Don's excellent PowerPoint presentation from Dayton is now available at the NCDXF's Web page at:

http://www.ncdxf.org/misc/N1DG-DXpeditioncosts-Dayton2012.ppsx
In all, can't wait until next year. Hope to see you there.....

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 19th-May, through Friday, 25th-May there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E3, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VK9N, VP2E, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZK2, ZL, ZL7, ZL9, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4A, MEXICO (IOTA/WFF Op). Members of the Radioclub Cancun will be active as 4A3RCC from Cayo Culebra Island (NA-200) between June 1-3rd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters and possibly the Satellites. Special attention will be on 6m. Cayo Culebra is located on Reserve of Biosphere of Siaan Ka'an. QSL via EA5FL. For more details, see the following Web page at: http://www.radioclubcancun.org/culebra

4J, AZERBAIJAN (WCA/WFF Op). The "Safari DX-Activators Club" is planning
to conduct an International DXpedition between May 26-28th, from the
Gabala District in the ancient fortress Chukhur Gabala and in an area
presently conducting archaeological excavations. The place of event
will count for both the WFF and WCA programs:
WCA reference is 4K-016, new one
WFF reference is 4JFF-014, second time activation
Coordinates: 40°53'38.30"N / 47°41'37.80E
http://ru.wikipedia.org/wiki/%D0%93%D0%B0%D0%B1%D0%B0%D0%BB%D0%B0
The group will not participate in the CQWW WPX CW Contest, so the team
will operate mostly on the 30/17/12 meter bands. However, on Monday,
May 28th, they will operate on the regular HF bands – 20, 40, 15, etc.
The start is planned for May 26th, 12-00 AM, UTC. The callsigns are:
4J0SFR, main, and 4J0WFF, reserve. Modes – CW and SSB -- no Digital.
The team members are: Boris/4K4K (CW), Yasu/JR0HYT (CW), Anar/4K6AE (SSB),
Farhad/4K3M (SSB), Sergey/4J5A (CW), Sergey/4K3FPL (SSB), Farid/4K6AF
(E-logger) and Natig/4J5T (SSB). They state, "All incoming paper QSLs
will be answered, but, please, send them before July 2012. Otherwise,
we will not be able to answer you soon, sorry."

4L, GEORGIA. Andi, UU0JM, will be active as 4L0A during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

4U1G, ITALY. Ivo, E73A/9A3A, will be active as 4U1GSC from the United Nations Global Service Center (UNGSC) Amateur Radio Club in Brindisi, south east Italy, during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27,th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via 9A2AA.

6V, SENEGAL. Vladimir, RK4FF, who has been active as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou, will continue until May 28th, but will be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via RK4FF.

6Y, JAMAICA. Sergey, UT5UDX, is now active as 6Y/UT5UDX until May 30th. His activity will also include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry and sign as 6Y3W. QSL via RA4LW.

A5, BHUTAN. Members of the FGC DX Group (Foundation for Global Children) is now active as A5A from a mountain area in Bhutan until June 6th. The multi-national team consists of Zorro/JH1AJT (A5/A5A/A51A), Yutaka/JJ1LIB (A52F), Akinori/ZL1GO (A52GO), Kazuhiko/VR2KF (A52KF) and Jon/KL2A (A52X). Activity will be on 80-6 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to "erect high gain antennas, utilize receive antennas, and run amplifiers at 3 stations." They also plan to "Establish a radio station at Royal Thimphu College (first private college in Bhutan), and provide basic HAM radio lessons to RTC students." QSL A5A via JH1AJT (see Web page for details). For more details and update, visit the A5A Web apge at: http://bhutan2012.com/index.php

AU50, INDIA (Special Event). Only a few more days left to work special event station AU50GOA from Goa, India. Operations will last until May 31st. Activity is to celebrate 50 th anniversary of the Liberation of Goa from Portuguese colonial rule. Goa is a diamond DXCC entity (CR8 in 1937). Look for AU50GOA on 40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via VU2SMS direct.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN. Seven Belgian operators will be active as HB0/homecall from Liechtenstein between September 19-22nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, with emphasis on higher bands and conditions permitting, using CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are Philippe/ON4ACP, Erik/ON4ANN, Jose/ ON4CAU, Erik/ON4CCV, Walter/ON8CW, Cedric/ON4CKM and Marc/ON4CJY. The pilot station will be Frans/ON6QB. QSL all callsigns via ON4ANN, direct (w/2 GS) or by the Bureau. Their HBo Web page is available at: http://users.telenet.be/on4ann

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-060. Kei, HL2UVH, and a friend will be active from Ch&#65533;ung Island between May 26-27th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters on all modes using the callsigns HL0A (for IOTA QSOs) and HL0V (during the CQWW WPX CW Contest). QSL via HL2UVH.

EU-145. Operators CT1EPV, CT1GFK, CT1GPQ, CT1IUA and CT3FN will be active as CS2W from Culatra Island, (WLOTA 0144) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry.

QSL via HB9CRV, by the Bureau and LoTW.

EU-150. Members of the Portuguese DX Group (GPDX) will be active as CT7/homecall and CT7/homecall/p from Insua Island (DIP MI-001, PIP NT-001, DCFP F-006, DCP CVC-046 and CVC-047, DMHP VC-017 and VC-061, DFP FM-101, DMP 1602, DDFP CMN-12) during July. The team consists of operators from Portugal, Germany and Switzerland. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. The group also plans to be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry using the callsign CR6W. Look for some operators to stay a few days longer on Insua Island and activate the lighthouse (ARLHS POR-028, WLOTA 2869). QSL CR6W via CS5DX. QSL all other callsigns via their home callsigns. For more information and updates, go to:
http://gpdx.netpower.pt
http://www.to-mk.com/neu

NA-240. Rick, K6VVA, reports: "Although an official welcome invitation was received from the Native Village of Kipnuk Traditional Council specifically for the well in advance announced K6VVA/KL7 NA-240 activation, these intended plans have now been suspended for an indefinite period based on the following -- Please see details at: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na240 "

OC-137. A team of 8 Australian operators will be active as VK4ILH from Moreton Island during the International Lighthouse/ Lightship Weekend [ILLW] (August 18-19,th). Activity will take place prior to ILLW from the Cape Moreton Lighthouse (AU0009, WLOTA LH2987) starting August 17th. This will be the very first time Cape Moreton Lighthouse has ever been activated. Also, Moreton Island has not been activated in almost 15 years. Operators mentioned are Derek/VK4MIA, Paul/ VK4FPDW, Brooke/VK4MBL, Graham/VK4GRA, Ewan/VK4ERM, Catherine/ VK4GH, John/VK4IO and Luke/VK3HJ. QSL via VK4MIA, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW. For more details and updates, visit the following Web pages:
http://www.capemoreton2012.com (VK4ILH Web page)
http://www.facebook.com/vklighthouse (Facebook)
http://www.twitter.com/#!/vklighthouse (Twitter)
Also, check QRZ.com.

OC-139. Operator Paul/VK5PAS and six other operators will be active as VI5CW from Kangaroo Island between August 17-20th. Activity will include an entry in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend [ILLW] (August 18-19th) from Cape Willoughby Light-house, as well as operations on all HF bands using mainly SSB, with some possible CW. QSL via VK5PAS.

OC-142. Operators VK4NM, VK4LAT and possibly others (will update) will be active as VK4NM from Fraser Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-single entry. QSL via M0OXO.

OC-249. Operator Kadek/YB9BU and possibly others will be active as homecall/8 from Wamar Island in the rare Aru Islands Group between May 25-28th. The Aru Islands are located in the Arafura Sea southwest of New Guinea and north of Australia. Wamar was last activated in 2002. QSL via their home callsigns.

J3, GRENADA (Op Needed!). Harry, AC8G (J37K), is planning a 6 (can be more) night stay in Grenada for the CQ WW SSB Contest (Oct. 27-28th) with considerable operating the days before the contest with emphasis on non-contest bands and modes. As of May 24th, the RT air fare is 610.20 USDs from Dayton to Grenada. For those interested, contact AC8G (Harry) via hflasher@dayton.net or 937-434-9616 for more details.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026) during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. He is expected to be here until the summer of 2013. Dave will be active (outside of contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all contests as NH2T. QSL via LoTW or via W2YC.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (May 25th-June 2nd)....
May/25th AN May/28th AN May/31st AN
May/26th AN May/29th AN Jun/01st AN
May/27th AN May/30th AN Jun/02nd AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K*1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K* 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K* 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K* 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K* 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K*9 100-400

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Tony, JA6CNL, will once again be active as KH0N from Saipan (OC-086) between June 15-18th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters CW ONLY. QSL via JA6CNL.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. a team of operators will be active as LX7I during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (IOTA Op). Operators Derek/G3KHZ and Hans/SM6CVX are planning another IOTA DXpedition to Papua New Guinea for three weeks in October. Dates and callsigns were not provided, but they plan to visit the following islands: St. Matthias (OC-103), Tabar (OC-099) and Lihir (OC-069). It was mentioned that there is a possibility of Hans to journey to another island after the main activity. Also, an opportunity may exist for another operator. If interested contact G3KHZ.

P4, ARUBA. Andy, AE6Y, will once again be active as P49Y during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry.

QSL via AE6Y or LoTW.

PACIFIC TOUR. Haru, JA1XGI, reports on his Blog page that he will be active from E51 (Cook Islands) and V63 (Micronesia) in December. Look for updates and details at: http://ja1xgidxvacation.blogspot.com

PW0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Ville, OH1MM/PY2ZEA, will be active as PW0F from Fernando de Noronha during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th). Operations will be with dipoles and inverted Vs. If time permits, Ville will also erect a directional wire beam (fixed to the north) for 20/15/10m. QSL via OH2BH.

PZ, SURINAME. Sergey, RX3APM, will be active as PZ5P until May 29th. Look for him to be in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th). QSL via UA4LU and LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 20th)

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3A/F4BKV via F4BKV EM44U via UT7UT LA/DL9UBF via DL9UBF
4X/PA7DA via PA7DA EM100MXA via UT3MC M/YO9AYN via YO9AYN
5B/RN3QO via RN3QO F/DJ2VO via DJ2VO MQ0EPC via MM0DFV
5B4PRC/P via 5B4AHO F/DL3KBQ via DL3KBQ MU/PA0VHA via PA0VHA
9A/E77AW/P via E77E GB5LCT via M0XIG MU/PA2A via PA2A
9M8DX/2 via SP5UAF GQ7AXB via GI7AXB OM100IG via OM3BY
A60ITU via NI5DX GQ7VJR via M0OXO PH9HB/AM via PH9HB (d)
A62A via IZ8CLM HF20PSP via SP7PKI PJ5/G4MFW via ZS1FJ
AM7ITU via EA7NL ID9Z via IT9TFX SD7V/6 via DL2VFR
AX5PAS via VK5PAS IR0LG via IZ0NNI SM6/DM5LS via DM5LS
CO6HLP via EA7FTR IS0/DK7ZB via DK7ZB SN10PK via SP9KAJ
CT9/DG0JT via DG0JT IS0/G3RTE via G3RTE SN2012UEFA via SP4ICP
CX5TR via EA5KB J79KT via JN1NDY SO7B via SQ7PGO
D3AA via UA1QV JT7WFF via RZ0SB ST2NH via EA7FTR
E40VB via UA4WHX K7M via AI4U SX1912K via SZ2RCP
ED7YAD via EA7URM KH0/RA9FEX via RA9FEX TK/IZ4BBF via IZ4BBF
EG5TSL via EA5HRE LA/DL2RNS via DL2RNS TK/PA3ALK via PA3ALK
EG8LZT via EA8TH LA/DL2VFR via DL2VFR TM12O via EA2TT
EH5ITU via EA5FL LA/DL5DSM via DL5DSM TM80SM via F5INJ
EH8ITU via EA8ADL UA9FAR via EA7FTR
UP0L via DL8KAC
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW YV7BMZ via EA7FTR

ZL2WL QSL INFO UPDATE. Because of difficulties transferring ZL2WL's past logs, Buzz, NI5DX, will only be able to confirm contacts made with Wayne, ZL2WL, from May 9th forward. Both Buzz and Wayne are very sorry for any confusion this may have caused, but contacts prior to May 9th will NOT be able to be confirmed through NI5DX. Cards are being printed and Buzz expects them to be delivered in 4-6 weeks.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7Q7PRO, 9M6YBG, 9V1SV, A61BK, A61K, A92GE, CE4CT, CT1ACG, CX4ACH, E77DX, EA1AIW, EA6GK, EI100T, F8VOE, HI3TEJ, HP1WW, HP1/IZ6BRN, HZ1PS, JA9AGN, JJ2LPV, LX1EA, OH3OJ, OT5A, P40X, PT7ZT, PZ5RA, RP67W, SP9DOE, T88TF, TI2HAS, TO3X, UU7J, V44KAI, VA6MA, VA7PX, VK6IR, WP3A, YB0MWM, YI1RZ, YJ0VK, YU5B and ZC4LI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0E, 3C6A, 6O3A, 6W2SC, 6Y0A, 7P8GF, 7X5QB, A25JR, A35XG, A35YZ, A71BU, 9M6/JA1PBV, C6ANM, CE9VPM, CO8LY, CP4BT, EA/FT5YK, FG5FR, FO/AB1OC, HA3AUI, HB0/DL2SBY, HV5PUL, HS0ZCW, KG4SS, KH2L, MI0GRG, SV2ASP/A, T2T, TG7/NC2N, TO5G, TX4T, TX6T/P, UK8AR, UM20Y, UN1L, V26M, VK8BI/p, VK9XS, VP2MMM, VP2MXF, VP6T, VR2KF, XF1AA, XV2RZ, ZA/HA5X, ZD7FT and ZD7XF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B7C, 3B8/M1KTA, 5X1NH, 5Z4LS, 6Y/G3NKC, 8P6DR, 8R1W, 9G5XA, 9L5VT, 9M2CNC, 9M2RPN, 9M6/W2BB, A92HB, CT3FT, D68C, FH/G3SWH, FP/M0TDG, HS0/G3NOM, JW7G, KP2/M1DDD, P29NI, T32C, TY4TW, VK9C/G6AY, VQ9JK and ZD8N

RADIO ARCALA MOVES ACROSS THREE CONTINENTS IN WPX (Press Release):
"In the summer months of the Far North, the midnight sun never sets and no QSOs are possible on the point rich lower bands. Additionally, 10M rarely opens in the North, so the only choice left to Radio Arcala and their associates is to tactically move South to satisfy their competitive urge.
The troops are still spearheaded by their battle ship, OH8X and the specific target is to reach North America with the massive hardware of Arcala fame, boldly challenging the forces of Mother Nature.
Northern Europe:
OH8X will be operated by Toni Linden, OH2UA
OH10X by Kim Ostman, OH6KZP
OH0X, Aland Islands by Pekka Holstila, OH2TA

Asiatic Turkey:
TC2X will be operated by Pertti Simovaara, OH2PM.
ADDED NOTE FROM TA1HZ - Operating from Istanbul (TA2KN Turkish Scouting and Guiding Federation Club station in Umraniye)

South America:
PW0F will be operated by Ville Hiilesmaa, OH2MM/PY2ZEA
PW0F, Fernando de Noronha operation will be conducted jointly with the Araucaria DX Group of Brazil

QSL info: OH8X via OH2UA
OH0X via OH2TA
others via OH2BH"

SV5, DODECANESE. Czech operators Bob/OK2BOB, Vilda/OK2BC and Jindra/OK1AMM are now active as SV5/homecall until June 1st. Activity will be mainly CW and SSB on 160-6 meters. The WW LOC will be KM36OV, QTH is KOS Island (EU-001). QSL via OK Bureau or direct.

SV9, CRETE. Alex, SQ9UM, is now active as SV9/SQ9UM from Crete until May 28th. Activity is on 40-6 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK and some SSB. He plans to participate in the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th). QSL

via his home callsign.

T48, CUBA. The Filial of "Federaci&#65533;n de Radioaficionados de Cuba" in Las Tunas, will be active once again during "ARRL June VHF QSO Party" as a "Limited multioperator" entry from FL10MW using his usual callsign T48K. Their main operation will be on 6 meter with a five elements Tonna and 100 watts. They will also try 2 meters with 50 watts and a 9 element homebrew cubical quad, looking for the very first QSO ever made between Las Tunas and United States. QSL via DK1WI.

T7, SAN MARIO (New Governing Board). The ARRSM members have elected a new Governing Board for the period 2012-2015. The election results were made public April 20th, with the following new board members added:
Matteo Napolitano, T77NM - President
Nazzareno Carattoni, T77NC - Vice-President
Giovanni Cecchetti, T77CD - Secretary
Giancarlo Montico, T77WI - Treasurer
Giorgio Minguzzi, IZ4AKS - IARU Liaison Officer

The ARRSM assembly would like to thank former President Giuliano Giacomoni, T77J, and former Vice-President Antonio Ceccoli, T77C, for their valuable contribution to the life of the Association of Radio Amateurs of the Republic of San Marino during the last 30 years.
**ADDED NOTE: Giorgio, IZ4AKS, informs OPDX that there is some interesting news about the T70A station on their new Web site at: http://www.arrsm.com
The radio club at the moment is CLOSED due to a heavy snow storm that occurred
Feb 2012. The ARRSM is working to repair the structure of the club (the roof of the house collapsed under the weight of the snow). This will generate a decrease of the activity of T70A in the forthcoming contest until the station is ready again to be used. The Web site is now in Italian (official language of San Marino), but the ARRSM is already working on the English version.

TC7, TURKEY. Dmitry, R3GM (ex-RN3GM), will be active as TC7C from Turkey during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via RA1QQ.

VP2, MONTSERRAT. Graham, M0AEP, will be active as VP2MDD from Montserrat (NA-103) between June 2nd and August 6th. Gordon, G3USR, will join him on the island between June 30th and July 9th. Both operators will be active on 80-6 meters, but will concentrate on 12/10/6 meters using CW and SSB (no digital). QSL via their home callsigns.

YO2/YP0, ROMANIA (Special Event/WFF Op). Members of the QSO BANAT (YO2KQT) Radio Club of Timisoara are now on the air as YP0WFF during the 3rd Hercules Marathon edition <http://www.alternativetm.ro/en/herculesmaraton> until May 27th. Operators are there for communications support between checkpoints and also operate from Domogled-Valea Cernei (YOFF 008) for those interested in YOFF operations. Activity will be on SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are Gigi/YO2MTG, Marius/YO2LOJ, Eduard/YO2LSP, Ovi/YO2MLL, Vlad/YO2LZP, Lili/YO2MMX, Diana/YO2MTD, Dan/YO2LLQ,

Robi/YO2MNF and Horatiu/YO2LQL. QSL only direct to YO2KQT.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Bill/KX4WW and Noll/W9RN will be operating from KX4WW's QTH on Providenciales between May 31st and June 7th. They will be signing VP5/homecall on all bands 160-6 meters. QSL via their home callsigns.

YE0, INDONESIA. Operators YB0AKM, YB0ECT, YB0JS, YB0KVN, YB0AZ, YC0KVM, YC0TSU, YC0MXV, YC1LLY, YC0VKI, YB1CCF, YD1JZ, YB1KAR, YC1KAF and YD1GCL will be active as YE0X during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via YB0ZZ.

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 26-27th, 2012)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2012 CQWW WPX CW Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxc2012.html (By callsign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/wpxcd2012.html (By entity)

Contest DXCC Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3Z3Z Poland SOSB 10M SQ3ET
4L0A Georgia SOAB LoTW
4U1GSC Italy SOAB HP 9A2AA
5X1RO Uganda SOSB 15M F8DFP
6O3A Somalia SOAB QSL details at qrz.com
6V7S Senegal SOAB RK4FF
6Y3W Jamaica SOAB RA4LW
9A201AA Croatia SOAB 9A1AA
9H3PP Malta SOSB HA5PP
A5A Bhutan M/? LoTW; QSL details on Web page
AH2Y Guam M/? AH2Y
BY5CD China M/S BD4HF
CE3AA Chile SOSB 15M CE3AA
CS2W Portugal M/S LoTW; QSL via HB9CRV (Buro OK)
DR8A Germany SO LP LoTW
ED1R Spain M/2 EA4RCH
EE8X Canary Islands SOAB W2GR
EF7X Spain M/S EA7GYS
GM0F Scotland M/S GM4FDM
HK1NA Colombia M/M
HQ2N Honduras SOSB 10M EA5GL
J48HW Greece SOAB HA0HW Buro
KP2M Virgin Islands M/S LoTW
KP2MM Virgin Islands SOAB LoTW
LS1D Argentina M/2 LoTW

LX7I Luxembourg M/S LX2A
LY7A Lithuania M/M LY2ZO
M7A England SOAB LP
MJ0CFW Jersey SOAB LP LoTW; QSL also OK via M0CFW
NH2T Guam SOAB HP LoTW
NQ4I USA M/M LoTW; QSL also OK via K4PK
OG73X Finland SOAB OH8L
OH0X Aland Island SO OH2TA
OM100IG Slovakia M/S OM3BY
OP4K Belgium M/S OP4K; QSL OK via Buro or direct
P40H Aruba M/? LoTW; QSL via OK7MT, Buro or
direct
P49Y Aruba SOAB HP LoTW; QSL also OK via AE6Y
PR5B Brazil SOSB 80M 6K5YPD
PR5W Brazil SOSB 80M PY5FB
PT5T Brazil SOAB HP K3IRV
PW5D Brazil SOSB M0OXO
PW0F Fernando de Noronha SOAB LP OH2BH
PX2W Brazil M/S PY2YU
PZ5P Surinam SOAB HP LoTW; QSL also OK via UA4LU
RC0F Russia (Asia) SOSB 20M LoTW
SJ2W Sweden M/S LoTW; QSL via SM2LIY direct
ST2AR Sudan SOAB TB LotW; QSL also OK via S53R
SV5/N6GQ Dodecanese SOAB QRP LotW; QSL also OK via N6GQ
SV9/SQ9UM Crete SOAB LP SQ9UM
SW8A Greece SO LZ1QN
T6MO Afghanistan SOAB LP K9GY
TC2X Turkey SO OH2BH
TC7C Turkey SOAB RA1QQ
TK4A Corsica M/2 DJ7JC
TM5A France SO W6NV
V26E Antigua SOAB AB2E Direct
V31UB Belize SOAB LoTW; QSL via KU5B direct
V6A Micronesia SOAB JA7HMZ
VC3T Canada SOAB VE3DZ
VK9PN Norfolk Island M/? VK2PN
V26E Antigua SOAB LP AB2E Direct
XP2I Greenland SOAB LP OZ1BII
YE0X Indonesia M/2 YB0ZZ
YU5R Serbia M/2 LoTW
Z33F Macedonia SOSB 15M Z33F
ZP9MCE Paraguay SOSB 10M EA5ZD
ZW5B Brazil SOAB HP K3IRV
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829. eHam.net News for Friday 25 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Radio Operator Uses Hobby as Community Service:

Posted: 24 May 2012 05:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28370

From his garage, John Wagner could see the damage Hurricane Claudette promised to bring to the Gulf Coast. He had just fired up his generator when the phone rang. "The city called saying they lost communications with the outside world," Wagner said. The news wasn't good, but the city wasn't helpless. Traditional channels of communication might break in an emergency - that includes some radio signals. Amateur radio emergency system operators like Wagner can relay the information that keeps chaos from breaking out in communities. Getting a ham radio license was always Wagner's goal, even as a child playing on a crystal radio receiver. There's something about using the airwaves he cannot explain. Something as simple as taking a piece of wire and electrical components and communicating with people across the world is mesmerizing.

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One Radio Goes Silent After 36 Marathons:

Posted: 24 May 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28369

The New York City Marathon has been a five-borough race for 36 years. For every edition, Steve Mendelsohn has been a vital part. He had accompanied officials in the lead vehicle, relaying vital elite race info using his trusty ham radio. But that radio is now silent. Mendelsohn passed away on Wednesday at his home in Dumont, New Jersey. He was a victim of pancreatic cancer and was 67.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #21:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28368

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, WB9EDL, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28367

This Week in Radiosport:

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Discover Digital QST!

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28366

If you're an ARRL member, you now have access to the new digital
edition of
the June 2012 issue of QST. It is available to all ARRL members at no
cost. All you need to do is log on to the ARRL website. Also available:
digital editions of the January through May 2012 issues.

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Thousands of Hams Get 'Internationally Connected' In Dayton:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28365

When Hara Arena -- home of the Dayton Hamvention for the past 48
years -- opened its doors at 9 AM on Friday, May, 18, thousands of hams
swarmed in, eager to see the latest and greatest that Amateur Radio has
to offer. And they weren't disappointed! With the introduction of three
new transceivers this year, as well as hundreds of vendors inside and
in the world-famous flea market, there was a definite buzz in the air,
especially within the ARRL EXPO.

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Icom to Support Boy Scouts at National Jamboree and at Local Council Level:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28364

Against the backdrop of the 2012 Dayton Hamvention -- the largest
gathering of radio amateurs in the US -- ICOM America announced a
sponsorship agreement with the Boy Scouts of America for the
organization's 2012 National Scout Jamboree. As the BSA's official
Amateur Radio transceiver supplier for the jamboree, ICOM will provide
equipment and technical support for the K2BSA radio operation, the
Radio merit badge and Jamboree on the Air.

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CQ Announces 2012 Hall of Fame Inductees:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28363

CQ magazine announced its 2012 Hall of Fame inductees on May 18,
welcoming 16 new members into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame, two

new members of the CQ DX Hall of Fame and two new members of the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. The CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame honors those individuals, whether licensed hams or not, who have made significant contributions to Amateur Radio, as well as those amateurs who have made significant contributions either to Amateur Radio, to their professional careers or to some other aspect of life on our planet.

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New 'PRB-1' Law Now in Effect in Ohio:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28362

On May 15, Ohio Governor John Kasich signed a bill, granting comprehensive rights to Amateur Radio operators in that state. HB 158 codifies the federal restrictions on the local zoning of amateur station antenna structures, thereby preserving Amateur Radio Service communications as a Homeland Security resource, placing the burden of proof for compliance on the zoning authority.

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FCC Dismisses Texas Ham's Fourth Petition, Calls it 'Repetitive':

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28361

For the fourth time in six years, the FCC has rejected a Petition for Rulemaking filed by Glen Zook, K9STH. In each of his Petitions, (2006, April 2009, 2011 and a Petition for Reconsideration in December 2009), Zook has asked the FCC to change its station identification rules as set forth in Section 97.119(a).

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Amateurs Asked to Listen for HORYU-2 Satellite:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28360

The Japanese HORYU-2 research satellite
was launched May 17 at 1639 UTC as part of a mission that included the JAXA climate observation satellite Shizuku. HORYU-2 was built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT) and it carries the call sign JG6YBW. The satellite will conduct a variety of experiments including high-voltage power generation and space debris measurements. Amateurs have been asked to monitor HORYU-2's Morse code and 1200-baud AX.25 packet telemetry at 437.375 MHz.

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PBS Frontline Focuses On Tower Dangers:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28359

I know this has nothing to do with ham radio
other than the fact that some hams do have towers.

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HamRadioNow #12A: FCC Forum at Dayton:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28358

This is the first of five videos from the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. The
FCC's Bill Cross W3TN and Curt Bartholomew N3GQ review recent and pending
regulations, and the state of ham radio and EmComm at the FCC Forum.

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NZ4O HF/6M RX Propagation Fcst:

Posted: 24 May 2012 02:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28357

This daily condensed HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast can also be found
at http://www.solarcycle24.org ,
http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarCycle24org/139198369462931 and
http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/spaceweather .

830. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 25 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-26 02:14:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407d96851b404c0e70a26@google.com>
Source record: 2997
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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California Historical Society & SF Amateur Radio Club Connect Globally on FCC ... - MarketWatch (press release)

Posted: 25 May 2012 02:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGyIYeNKSifgD5Nf9ByBC1maZi3NA&url=http://www.marketwatch.com/story/california-historical-society-sf-amateur-radio-club-connect-globally-on-fcc-call-sign-w6g-to-salute-the-75th-anniversary-of-the-golden-gate-bridge-2012-05-25

California Historical Society & SF Amateur Radio Club Connect Globally on FCC ...
MarketWatch (press release)
SAN FRANCISCO, May 25, 2012 (GlobeNewswire via COMTEX) -- The San Francisco Amateur Radio Club (SFARC) in cooperation with the California Historical Society (CHS) will mark the 75th anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge by contacting ...

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Amateur radio operators plan field day in Victoria - Victoria Advocate

Posted: 25 May 2012 02:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHkuXlUllw1WC3udk1N3sVsySm4-g&url=http://www.victoriaadvocate.com/news/2012/may/25/rp_ham_field_day_052412_177496/?news%26local-news

Amateur radio operators plan field day in Victoria
Victoria Advocate
In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been amateur radio. These radio operators, called "hams," provide backup communications for everything from the American Red Cross to FEMA and even for International Space Station.

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Amateur radio essential tool - Otago Daily Times

Posted: 25 May 2012 10:41 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFbRMn_VCQcuOOc3rre-gKhHv61tA&url=http://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/210758/amateur-radio-essential-tool

Otago Daily Times
Amateur radio essential tool

Otago Daily Times
By Vaughan Elder on Sat, 26 May 2012 Otago Amateur Radio Emergency Communications team leader Lindsey Ross tests his radio as communications are set up for the Drivesouth Rally of Otago. Photo by Stephen Jaquiery. Behind the scenes at every Drivesouth ...

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One Radio Goes Silent After 36 Marathons - velonews.competitor.com

Posted: 24 May 2012 03:27 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG96KC117sqwBhMUgbOF14C5zNQ3Q&url=http://running.competitor.com/2012/05/news/one-radio-goes-silent-after-36-marathons_52916

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831. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 26 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-26 06:19:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08bc37ef304c0ea7857@google.com>
Source record: 2998
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Asia Pacific DX Convention 2012

Posted: 25 May 2012 10:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347601-Asia-Pacific-DX-Convention-2012&goto=newpost

You are cordially invited to attend the Asia Pacific DX Convention 2012,
which will take place November 2-4, 2012.

In addition to the usual presentations on recent DX-peditions, technical
sessions, DX dinners and so forth, the 2012 Convention offers something
special. Japan is where most of the amateur radio equipment is developed,
and you will have the opportunity to join a tour to the Icom factory,
participate in a technical session led by the Icom HF radio design team,
and more.

And don't forget, all of the programs at APDXC are conducted in English!

For the non-ham members of your party, activities providing a chance to
experience Japanese culture--such as tea ceremony and flower arranging are
being prepared.

We appreciate your introducing this convention to your DX/contest club
members. For more details, please visit the APDXC website
at:http://www.apdxc.org/

For convention updates, check our website often, or send an email to
subscribe to the APDXC newsletter.

We look forward to welcoming you at the APDXC in Osaka, Japan.

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Mac / JA3USA

APDXC Committee

Via HamRadioNews.Net

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So, How was Dayton?

Posted: 24 May 2012 07:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347549-So-How-was-Dayton&goto=newpost

Was wondering what the general opinion is about how Dayton was this year. Compared to other years? I've only talked to one ham that went. He was not impressed, especially with the flea market....

KB4MNG:cool:

832. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 26 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-26 11:03:15 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d04479f911514fa04c0ee6eb5@google.com>
Source record: 2999
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Introduction to ARDF for young people

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KNjdE4Hl1Lw/introduction_to_ardf_for_young_people.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Would you like to see your children or grandchildren taking an interest in
amateur radio? Then the volunteers of the Direction Finding committee have
come up with an event that might interest you

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Worked All Britain Olympic flame award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8qM5tHdTBqM/worked_all_britain_olympic_flame_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Worked All Britain Awards Group has organised a special award to
coincide with the passage of the Olympic flame around the country

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Railways on the Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gNk6ERszVuE/gb0tlr.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Southgate Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event station
for the Railways on the Air event on 22nd and 23rd of September

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YJ80cHdqHkU/may_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers declined seven points over the past week to
110.3. Average daily solar flux dropped 3.3 points to 131

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZxKg7TNvkko/may_26.htm?utm_source=feedb

urner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fIN2qAe93W0/dxcc_report_2605.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Saturday,
19th-May, through Friday, 25th-May there were 223 countries active

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Using the TS-590S for Digital Modes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FKJrDSAWado/using_the_ts590s_for_digital_modes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ian Wade G3NRW has released a new version of his Kenwood TS-590S Digital
QuickStart Guide

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Dxpedition Costs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2lLdl8MiiVM/dxpedition_costs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NCDXF have made available PowerPoint slides that show how much is spent
on some Dxpeditions

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Radio Amateur to be Olympic Torchbearer

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yClAzK00QNc/radio_amateur_to_be_olympic_torchbearer.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

William Williams GW8TGS is taking part in the Olympic Torch relay in
Aberystwyth on Sunday, May 27

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50 Years of the UK in Space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Y8B4xw9fuOQ/50_years_of_the_uk_in_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK Space Agency has released a YouTube video celebrating the UK's 50
years in space

833. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 26 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-26 16:36:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04479f8b2c831104c0f314b7@google.com>
Source record: 3000
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1815 May 25 2012

Posted: 25 May 2012 10:20 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347603-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1815--May-25-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1815 ☐ May 25 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1815 with a release date of May 25th, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The 2012 Dayton Hamvention is in the history books, well take you there. Logbook Of The World logs an important milestone and you're never too old to learn a thing or two. These stories and more on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1815 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: DAYTON 2012

The city of Dayton, Ohio was invaded over the weekend of May 18, 19 and 20 by radio amateurs from all over the world for the Dayton Hamvention. By all accounts it was a huge success. The weather was, for the first time in many years, absolutely perfect. Sunny days in the upper 80s and clear nights in the 50s made for great strolls through the massive flea market. No matter what obscure or rare item you're looking for, odds are that someone in the flea market has it for sale. The old saying of "if you can't find it at Dayton it doesn't exist" is really true. Don Dubon, N6JRL is president of the Dayton Amateur Radio Association, the sponsoring club for the Hamvention. He says this was an excellent year.

834. SARL News in English 26/5/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-26 18:16:34 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <6F816CA241E847D882886BF41F1EDC6A@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2901
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 27 MAY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 AND 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with a relay on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

CALL FOR ASSISTANCE BY HAMNET NORTHERN CAPE

SKA & MEERKAT comes to South Africa

WORKED ALL CONTINENTS AWARD

TAKE AMATEUR RADIO TO THE PUBLIC

HAMVENTION - A MIND BLOWING EVENT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

HAMNET NORTHERN CAPE NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE

Carel Oberholzer, ZS3OBE, of Hamnet Northern Cape says they are potentially in need of assistance to provide communication support for the operation to rescue the miners or remove the bodies trapped in the diamond mine near Kleinzee. Communications to Springbok - the nearest urban hub - is problematic and Hamnet has been requested to assist.

He says "The situation is fluid at this stage and our response is in the preparation phase. We need operators to assist in providing communications between Springbok and Kleinzee, a distance of about 80 km. The operation is expected to last for the next two to three weeks and we envisage deploying two person teams on a rotational basis to man a relay point on a mountain/high point somewhere in between.

If you can assist you will need to have a four wheel drive, VHF capability and be self-sustained in terms of food, water, shelter,

power and warm clothing."

Paul, ZS1PVS, indicated they can issue field masts, radios, antennas and feed lines from the HAMNET Western Cape store.

Call Carel at 082 805 0181 or Paul at 083 302 3366 to offer you assistance.

SA GETS LION SHARE OF SKA BUT WE SHOULD HAVE HAD IT ALL

After nine years of sweat and tears by the South African and Australian SKA site bid teams, the independent SKA Site Advisory Committee (SSAC), composed of world-renowned experts, carried out an objective technical and scientific assessment of the sites in South Africa and Australia, and identified by consensus Africa as the preferred site but their recommendation was overturned by the SKA Organization after complaints by the Australians, "We had hoped the unambiguous recommendation of the SSAC would be accepted as the soundest scientific outcome" Minister of Science and Technology, Naledi Pandor said at a media briefing on Friday 26 May 2012.

It appears the SKA organization had difficulty coming to a final decision and according to one of the members of the committee the atmosphere at the meeting was heated and at times the group had to take a recess. The ultimate outcome was that for the sake of inclusivity they agreed to consider constructing one of the three SKA receiver components in Australia. Two will be constructed in Africa.

The minister said that an important aspect of the site decision is the recognition of the MeerKAT telescope, being designed and built in the Northern Cape Karoo by South African scientists and engineers, as a critical step towards the implementation of the SKA. The MeerKAT will supplement the sensitive SKA Phase 1 dish array, providing the majority of the collection area of what will be the most sensitive radio telescope in the world. This recognition is substantive evidence of the great strides made by the local radio astronomy community since South Africa signalled its interest in the SKA.

Naledi Pandor said six weeks ago that splitting the SKA between South Africa and Australia was for her not an option. On the question if she was disappointed she said "No, I am happy for the country and I am happy for Africa. Of course you want everything, but I think getting three quarters is pretty good. I am ecstatic for our scientists. We have proved Africa can do it!"

Listen to more on Amateur Radio Today later this morning.

RA EXAMINATION

Councillors visited some of the centres where students wrote the Radio Amateur examinations on 24 May 2012. We wish you well with the results.

WORKED ALL CONTINENTS AWARD

Many radio amateurs cut their DXing teeth on the Worked All Continents award. This award recognizes contacts with all six continental areas of the world, and is issued by the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU). Recently, the SARL was authorized to issue these certificates to its members on the IARU's behalf. You can now apply for your certificate right here in South Africa. The basic award can be endorsed for a single mode or for meeting the requirements on each of five or six bands.

The application fee is R60 and the certificate will be sent in a sturdy mailing tube. Rules and application forms can at present be found on the Pretoria Amateur Radio Club's Web site (www.parc.org.za).

TAKE AMATEUR RADIO TO THE PUBLIC

16 June is National Amateur Radio Day. The SARL invites young and old to celebrate the day by taking amateur radio to the public. Talk on the air, invite some into your radio room or be daring and set up your station in a local park or shopping area. Get the word out amateur radio is fun, amateur radio is the most exciting of all scientific hobbies.

16 June is also youth day and we have the annual SARL youth sprint on that day too . If you are 25 years or younger, take part in the competition and win one of the many prizes. Take to the air between 10 and 12 local time and if you are over 25, show the young people how it is done. Full details are already on www.sarl.org.za and were sent to all members in the May SARL UPDATE e-mail.

FINAL RTA DATES ANNOUNCED

The final Radio in Action Technology symposium dates have been announced. The first event will be in the brand new auditorium recently completed on the Howard Campus in Durban on 22 July. The Cape Town RTA will be held at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology in Bellville on 11 August, In the Eastern Cape the RTA will take place on 1 September at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University and in Gauteng the event will be held on 29 September at the Sentech Auditorium at Radiokop.

The programme features a mixture of talks, demonstrations and hands-on activities. Hannes Coetzee will explore how the ionosphere works and show delegates how to do their own predictions. Every one attending will receive a CD with the necessary propagation prediction software. During the presentation Hannes will load the software on a PC and go through setting it up every step of the way.

Another interesting activity will be the building of a software defined radio interface. The necessary software will be on the RTA disc. A SDR receiver kit costing under R100 will be available for sale at each RTA. During the presentation Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ, will build the kit and show you how it operates and receives signals on the 40 metre band. There are more surprises in store. Stay tuned as more details will be in SARLNEWS over the next few weeks. A full programme and pre booking form

will be available on the web soon.

Keep the day when the RTA comes to your area open as it is something you do not want to miss.

HAMVENTION WAS ANOTHER MIND BLOWING EVENT

The annual USA Dayton Hamvention was once again a mind blowing event with many new product launches from all the major amateur radio suppliers.

When Hara Arena opened its doors at 09:00 on Friday, 18 May thousands of hams swarmed in, eager to see the latest and greatest that Amateur Radio has to offer. And they weren't disappointed! With the introduction of three new transceivers this year, as well as hundreds of vendors -- both new ones and old friends within the giant Hara complex -- there was a definite buzz in the air, especially within the ARRL EXPO.

ARRL EXPO -- located in the Ballarena Hall of the large Hara Arena -- included more than 20 exhibits staffed by ARRL programme representatives. Among the new booths for 2012 was an exhibit introducing the new digital edition of QST, ARRL's membership journal.

The popular kit building booth returned for a fourth consecutive year to the ARRL EXPO. Led by ARRL Laboratory Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM, ARRL Laboratory Engineer Mike Gruber, W1MG, and dedicated volunteers, the enhanced kit building area offered hams -- and non-hams -- the opportunity to learn how to solder, use hand tools, follow instructions and take home a finished piece of equipment!

The Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC), the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL), the Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS) and the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) were on hand within the ARRL EXPO. "The theme of the 2012 Hamvention is Internationally Connected," Inderbitzen explained. "What better way to get connected than meeting with fellow radio amateurs from around the world?" In addition, representatives from the International Amateur Radio Union -- including IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, IARU President Emeritus Larry Price, W4RA, IARU Vice President Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, and IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD -- were on hand in the ARRL EXPO area to greet visitors.

One of the many reasons amateurs go to Dayton Hamvention each May is to look over the new gear announced by many manufacturers. The number of vendors at Hara Arena can be mind boggling, especially on your first trip. The big news is always the new full size HF transceivers. In addition to these transceivers, there were many low power radios, VHF/UHF units, antennas and accessories of all sorts -- all in addition to what must be the world's largest radio flea market.

In Amateur Radio Today, the SARL links up with News line for extensive audio reports and reviews of the new equipment that were on show.

DIGITAL CONTEST

The second SARL Digital Contest will be run this afternoon from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC with PSK31 and RTTY activity on 20, 40 and 80 metres. The contest is open to all radio amateurs in Southern African countries.

The following frequencies must be used for the contest, on 80 metres, 3 580 to 3 600 kHz, on 40 metres, 7 040 to 7 060 kHz and on 20 metres 14 070 to 14 099 kHz. Take note that there can be SSB QSOs between 7 053 and 7 060 kHz. A station may be contacted twice on each band, once on RTTY and once on PSK31. The exchange is a signal report plus a sequential serial number starting at 001.

Contacts with stations in Southern Africa are worth 3 points and contacts with stations outside this area are worth 1 point. The first contact with each ZS call area (6), each Southern African country (area 7) and the rest of the world (area 8) will be used as a band multiplier.

Logs must be submitted within 7 days after the contest and can be sent by mail to the West Rand Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 5344, Weltevredenpark, 1725 or by e-mail to contest@sarl.org.za

SARL 80 m CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The third SARL 80 m Club Championship will be on the air on Wednesday evening 30 May. This short contest will feature PSK31 and RTTY activity between 3 580 - 3 620 kHz and it starts at 17:30 and ends at 18:30 UTC.

The exchange is a RS(T) and a consecutive serial number starting at 001. The same station may be worked once on RTTY and once on PSK. One point is earned per contact.

Logs must be submitted by 23:59:59 CAT on Wednesday 6 June by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za.

ZS3 SPRINT

The ZS3 Sprint was well supported on the 6th of May 2012. 112 Radio Amateur Members made 788 contacts during the hour and we received 27 logs. Three of them were the club logs that we used for control. The results are as follows for the hour on the air: 1st: ZS3R, Christo van Rensburg with a total of 52 contacts resulted in 107 points. 2nd: ZS6XT, Pieter Jacobs with a total of 45 contacts and 63 points. 3rd: ZS6EE, Quartus de Witt with a total of 48 and 53 points. 4th: ZS6APT, Pam Momberg with a total of 36 contacts and 49 points.

The Northern Cape Amateur Radio Club thanks everybody that took part and sent in their logs.

Detailed results will be published on the SARL Forum.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with small but quiet sunspots.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 57.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings and 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings should be less frequent.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

28 May - Logs for AWA Valve QSO party to be in to andyzs6ady@vodamail.co.za or AWA of Southern Africa, P O Box 12320; Benoryn 1504.

3 June - Logs for the digital contest must be in and can be sent by mail to the West Rand Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 5344, Weltevredenpark, 1725 or by e-mail to contest@sarl.org.za

4 June - Logs for the ZS4 Sprint to be sent to The Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club, ZS4SRK, PO Box 28194, Sonlandpark, 1944 or by e-mail to riaanzs4pr@gmail.comwith a copy to fwolff@global.co.za.

6 June - Logs for the SARL 80 m CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP must be submitted by by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za.

16 June - National Amateur Radio day between 09:00 and 16:00 and Youth Day Sprint 10:00 - 12:00 CAT.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 570 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johann Marais, ZU1JM, end edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

835. eHam.net News for Saturday 26 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-26 22:09:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bffa2e353cc04c0f7bd3f@google.com>
Source record: 2902
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Operators Plan Field Day in Victoria:

Posted: 26 May 2012 06:06 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28382

Despite Internet, cell phones, email and modern communications, every year, whole regions find themselves in the dark. Tornadoes, fire storms, ice and even the occasional cutting of fiber optic cables leave people without the means to communicate. In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been amateur radio. These radio operators, called "hams," provide backup communications for everything from the American Red Cross to FEMA and even for International Space Station. Regional hams will join thousands of other operators for a field day, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 23-24 to show their emergency capabilities. The group will meet behind Citizens Healthplex, on Loop 463.

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Amateur Radio Essential Tool:

Posted: 26 May 2012 06:05 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28381

Behind the scenes at every Drivesouth Rally of Otago a team of local amateur radio enthusiasts works tirelessly to keep track of every car. Their support is vital to the three-day event, which started last night, as there is either unreliable or no cellphone reception where many of rally's stages are held. Otago Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (AREC) team leader Lindsey Ross said 28 members would be helping out in what was a "massive exercise" for the group. The team would be based at the Southern Cross Hotel where it had equipment set up on the roof and a control centre on the fifth floor. Its most important role was in ensuring the safety of rally competitors by keeping track of every car and making sure they had not left the track. To do this the team had people at the start, end and in some cases middle of each stage who would radio back to the control centre when each car passed. Members also kept track of times and gave the information to race organisers.

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CA Historical Society and SF ARC Connect Globally via W6G Special Event:

Posted: 26 May 2012 06:03 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28380

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25, 2012 (GlobeNewswire via COMTEX) -- The San Francisco Amateur Radio Club (SFARC) in cooperation with the California Historical Society (CHS) will mark the 75th anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge by contacting other amateur radio operators throughout the world on Saturday, May 26th and Sunday, May 27th. The SFARC will operate on five amateur bands using the special Federal Communications Commission assigned call sign W6G. It will transmit from its home station located at the San Francisco Veteran's Administration Medical Center at 42nd Avenue and Clement Street for 26 hours beginning at 1:00 PM PDT on May 26th and ending at 3:00 PM PDT on May 27th. In announcing this event, SFRAC President Tony Dowler, K6BV, said, "We are extremely proud to be a part of this historic occasion. The Golden Gate Bridge is known throughout the world not only as a great engineering feat, but also as a symbol of the San Francisco Bay Area. In that spirit we will be assisted by members from the Marin County Amateur Radio Club."

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Morse Code to Twitter; A History of Firsts:

Posted: 26 May 2012 06:01 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28379

"Civilization grew in the beginning from the minute that we had communication." So said Norwegian explorer Thor Heyerdahl, who passed away in 2002. Heyederdahl, who was born in 1914, saw great developments in human communication in his time and understood the value that it has in the making of a community. Today marks 168 year anniversary of the first American telegraph line and first Morse Code message sent from the States. The telegraph could connect people at great distances and proved very useful in trans-continental and eventually world-wide communication. Today, of course, we have telephones, smart phones and computers to communicate across the globe. People communicate constantly through social media and sites like Twitter and the ease in which we can send messages to distant points is often taken for granted. Today we are going to look at some of the firsts in mass communication, starting with the telegraph and going up through some of our modern forms of getting in touch and sharing our thoughts, ideas and, let's face it, what we had for lunch.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #21 de K7RA:

Posted: 26 May 2012 05:59 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28378

Average daily sunspot numbers declined seven points over the past week to 110.3. Average daily solar flux dropped 3.3 points to 131. Unsettled geomagnetic conditions over the past few days most likely resulted from an interplanetary shock wave originating from a solar flare on May 20. Predicted planetary A index is 8, 5, and 8 on May 25-27, then 5 on May 28 to June 4, then 8, 12, 15, 10 and 8 on June 5-9, then 5 on June 10-11, 8 on June 12-13, 5 on June 14-16, then 8, 15, 10 and 8 on June 17-20, and 5 on June 21-25.

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Special Event Station -- W8CJQ:

Posted: 26 May 2012 05:45 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28377

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2012 YHOTY Nominations Close May 30:

Posted: 26 May 2012 05:54 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28376

Nominations for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award must be postmarked no later than midnight May 30th. If you know of a deserving teen or pre-teen, age 18 or younger, please go to www.arnewsline.org/yhoty -- download the nominating form - read its simple instructions - fill it out and send it to the address listed on it.

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ARNewsline Report 1815 -- May 25 2012:

Posted: 26 May 2012 05:52 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28374

The following is a Q-S-T. The 2012 Dayton Hamvention is in the history books, well take you there. Logbook Of The World logs an important milestone and you're never too old to learn a thing or two. These stories and more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1815 coming your way right now.

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Final Weekend for W9IMS Indy 500 Event:

Posted: 26 May 2012 05:46 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28373

Gentlemen (and ladies), start your amplifiers! The ninth annual W9IMS Indianapolis 500 special event will take its final laps this weekend. Since it's the first of three Indianapolis Motor Speedway special events in 2012, working the Indy 500 operation is a must for paper chasers who want to earn this year's newly designed Checkered Flag Award.

836. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 26 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-27 02:03:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04479f9165aaae04c0fb0303@google.com>
Source record: 2903
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham It Up on Radio in Eureka - Patch.com

Posted: 26 May 2012 04:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGo2WustLZmTbxPCe9VDTw6_Z5ZoQ&url=http://eureka-wildwood.patch.com/articles/ham-it-up-on-radio-in-eureka

Ham It Up on Radio in Eureka
Patch.com
Would you like to learn how to operate ham radios? Eureka-based emergency responders offer upcoming classes; sign up pronto—by Thursday. By Julie Brown Patton A Ham operator during an Amateur Radio Field Day. Eureka Community Emergency Response Team ...

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2012 YHOTY Nominations Close May 30: - eHam.net

Posted: 26 May 2012 12:58 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGyOASDaJYMacoA3K_v7L73SSsRUg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28376

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Missed Maker Faire? We Bring it to You in Photos - Patch.com

Posted: 26 May 2012 10:29 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHw7ZhQFPnPOr-GXAX6P0qgNt2vdA&url=http://campbell.patch.com/articles/missed-maker-faire-we-bring-it-to-you-in-photos

Missed Maker Faire? We Bring it to You in Photos
Patch.com
Los Altos ham radio operators, Michael Pechner and Paul Zander—or rather NE6RD and AA6PZ, respectively, as they are known in the ham world—were there with co-hammers to tell everyone about ham radio organizations such as Foothills Amateur Radio ...

and more

837. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 27 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-27 11:07:55 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8d2e9de6d204c1029cbe@google.com>
Source record: 2904
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Hamnet Northern Cape needs your assistance

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GB9pRqfaK4Q/hamnet_northern_cape_needs_your_assistance.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Carel Oberholzer, ZS3OBE, of Hamnet Northern Cape says they are potentially in need of assistance to provide communication support for the operation to rescue the miners or remove the bodies trapped in the diamond mine near Kleinzee. Communications to Springbok - the nearest urban hub - is problematic and Hamnet has been requested to assist

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8T1M special event station from Kerala, South India

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YAaTnKMhzhA/8t1m_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The callsign 8T1M, a very special 8T Prefix call allotted for the first time in India, will be on the air today and for the next 3 days

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Dayton FCC Forum video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RBbI6EYEjJI/dayton_fcc_forum_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham Radio Now has released the first of five YouTube videos covering the 2012 Dayton Hamvention

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UI-View Commands video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0WLuTQuy5Io/ui_view_commands_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Tony K2MO shows the commands that can be used with the UI-View APRS software

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Take Amateur Radio to the public

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-wpHz6bktHw/take_amateur_radio_to_the_public.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

16 June is National Amateur Radio Day in South Africa. The SARL (South African Radio League) invites young and old to celebrate the day by taking amateur radio to the public

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Australian Alps QRP operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uDZ8vi8pihc/australian_alps_qrp_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The annual Winter expedition into the snowy wilderness of the Bogong High Plains is coming up again and is led by Stephen, VK3SN and Gerard, VK3GT

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FGC DX Group now active from Bhutan

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rBuMJJUAOjE/fgc_bhutan_op.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the FGC DX Group (Foundation for Global Children) is now active as A5A from a mountain area in Bhutan until June 6th

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AU50GOA from Goa, India

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9oK5k7kpO3Y/au50goa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Only a few more days left to work special event station AU50GOA from Goa, India. Operations will last until May 31st

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Amateur radio essential tool

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fS48Fz1amR4/amateur_radio_essential_tool.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Otago Daily Times reports on the work of the Otago Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (AREC) group

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GoTsUrdJOzI/may_27.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with small but quiet sunspots

838. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 27 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-27 16:30:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e604108f35004c1071d87@google.com>
Source record: 2905
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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CG3B, SPECIAL EVENT STATION,200 years of PEACE and FRIENDSHIP CANADA and USA

Posted: 26 May 2012 04:29 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347778-CG3B-SPECIAL-EVENT-STATION-200-years-of-PEACE-and-FRIENDSHIP-CANADA-and-USA&goto=newpost

CG3B :The Bi-Centennail of War of 1812 between England and USA, also the
200 years of Peace and Friendship since then, sponsered by Niagara
Peninsula ARC, QSL via VE3FOI, info on QRZ.com, QST, CQ , and TCA
Magazines, Special operation for the month of July 2012, On JUly 01st from
Fort George Niagara on the Lake, Ontario, with W2N operating from The Fort
Niagara Lighthouse in Lewiston New York, across the Niagara River from
Niagara on the Lake, a very special QSL card will be available if stations
contact both CG3B and W2N on July 01 2012

839. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 27th May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-27 20:00:16 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120527200003.BAC3433C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2906
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 27th May 2012

Licence Examination

There are just over two weeks left in which to apply to sit the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The closing date for entries is Thursday 14 June. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and are allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form. Please note over half the available places for this examination have already been allocated.

Change in 40 Metre News Frequency

The present 40 metre radio news frequency has become increasingly busier on Sunday mornings. This has lead on occasions to some difficulty in the reception of both the bulletins and the reports on the transmissions. It has been decided, therefore, to move the transmission of the 40 metre news to a new frequency of 7123 kHz on and from Sunday the 1st of July. This frequency was selected after monitoring a range of frequencies over a period of time by amateurs who use this particular transmission of the radio news bulletin.

Field Day Contests

Next weekend - Saturday and Sunday, 2nd and 3rd June -the first of the year's field day contests takes place, with CW field day, which runs from 15:00 UTC on Saturday to 15:00 on Sunday. The IRTS CW Field Day contest coincides with similar contests in other European countries, so there should be no shortage of QSOs. While the emphasis in these contests is on portable operation, fixed station QSOs are welcome. See www.irts.ie/contests for more information on this and other contests. As previously announced, there are some rule changes this year - these

are highlighted in the contest rules.

The Field Day series of contests continues in July with VHF/UHF Field Day, while HF SSB Field Day takes place in September.

Official Launch of the Craggy Island DXpedition Group

The Galway VHF Group will be officially launching of the Craggy Island DXpedition Group using the new callsign EI0TED. The launch will take place this weekend, on Sunday the 27th of May, at the Craggy Island Parochial House which is actually located in the Burren, County Clare. A H.F. Station will be in operation between 11:00 am and 3pm on 80, 40 and possibly 20 metres. Afternoon Tea and buns have been booked for the operators and guests courtesy of "Mrs. Doyle". Please find time to QSY to 3680 KHz after the IRTS news where we will take calls before QSYing to 40 metres for the rest of the afternoon. A special QSL card will be produced to mark this occasion.

Later this year there will be a number of operations from Offshore Islands round the coast of Ireland. EI3IS is an experienced kayaker and hopes to activate some of the more inaccessible islands with no landing facilities and due to the mode of transport many of these operations will be QRP. This should not present a major problem if the band conditions are reasonable. Check out the News section of www.galwayvhfgroup.com where up to date announcements of our operations may be found current EI0TED / EJ0TED operations may also be found on QRZ.COM.

Louth Erne Amateur Radio Club

Ofcom, the UK regulator, have approved a transatlantic 2m beacon testing for contact from Fermanagh to North America. Full details can be viewed on www.learc.eu

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DX News

A group of Italians recently operated very successfully from Somalia as 6O0CW. For those of you who missed them there is another chance to work Somalia until 30 May when Darko E70A will be QRV as 6O3A. He is QRV on all bands plus 6m. QSLs go via K2PF or E77E

Bill KX4WW and Noll W9RN will be visiting the Turks and Caicos Islands from 31 May until 7 June. They will sign VP5/home call and will be active on all bands 160 - 6m.

For those not travelling to the EURO 2012 games in Poland and Ukraine there is the opportunity to chase the various special event stations which are active from now until 5 July. A number of new prefixes can be worked and details can be found on http://sq2rh.idsl.pl/efc/

Still on a soccer theme look out for Sergey Rebrov UT5UDX who is in Jamaica at present signing 6Y3W in the CQ WPX CW Contest. Outside the contest he will sign 6Y/UT5UDX and will be there until 30 May. QSL via RA4LW.

North Cork Radio Group

With the success of Last weekends' Cashota activity from Barryscourt Castle, North Cork Radio Group in conjunction with CASHOTA Ireland are pleased to inform of another award level event for Cashota chasers.

EI1NC/P will be active on Monday 4th of June from Charles Fort in Kinsale, Ref : EI018/C. Charles Fort was declared a National Monument in 1973. William Robinson, architect of the Royal Hospital in Kilmainham, Dublin, and Superintendent of Fortifications, is credited with designing the fort. As one of the largest military installations in the country, Charles Fort has been associated with some of the most momentous events in Irish history. The most significant of these are the Williamite War 1689-91 and the Civil War 1922-23.

Further information on the CASHOTA Ireland award program can be obtained from http://cashota-ireland.org/ also nota that all Irish Castles are also valid towards Cashota Uk awards at http://www.cashota.co.uk

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

840. eHam.net News for Sunday 27 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-27 22:36:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08bb5539c04c10c3cc3@google.com>
Source record: 2907
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Italian Radio Amateurs Help Out After Quake:

Posted: 26 May 2012 05:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28386

An earthquake measuring 6.0 on the Ritcher scale shook Italy's industrial and densely populated northeast on Sunday, killing at least six people, felling homes and factories and bringing down historic church steeples. Occurring in the middle of night it saw emergency services swing into action with many injured across the Emilia Romagna region, will heavy losses in the making Parmesan cheese industry. It has been called the region's worst quake since the 1300s, striking at 4.04am local time with its epicentre about 35 kms north of Bologna at a relatively shallow depth of 5kms.

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Special Event Station -- 8T1M:

Posted: 26 May 2012 05:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28385

On the inaugural occasion of MALABAR AMATEUR RADIO and SCOUTING SOCIETY-VU2MLQ (MARSS), VU2MLQ India's first Radio Head Quarters for the INTERNATIONAL RADIO SCOUTING MOVEMENT and DISASTER COMMUNICATIONS, decided to operate 8T1M, A very special 8T Prefix call allotted for the first time in India by WPC Ministry of Communication

841. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 27 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-28 02:38:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bafa79c527004c10f9cfe@google.com>
Source record: 2908
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Queen Anne's Amateur Radio Club plans field day exercise at library - The
Star Democrat

Posted: 27 May 2012 04:58 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH_WkrMQ-RSwo8pXHnUPVzeU88ODw&url=http:
//www.stardem.com/article_0ccc0c37-d677-56d2-aeed-432886d8fa35.html

Queen Annes Amateur Radio Club plans field day exercise at library
The Star Democrat
CENTREVILLE Join members of the Queen Annes Amateur Radio Club (QAARC) as
they plan for Field Day 2012. The planning will take place at the club
meeting that begins at 6 pm Tuesday, June 5, at the Queen Annes County Free
Library, 121 S. Commerce ...

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Missed Maker Faire? We'll Bring it to You in Photos - Patch.com

Posted: 27 May 2012 10:19 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF07L-CI1Xg1w6bsdjVTEERIrf_Fg&url=http:
//paloalto.patch.com/articles/missed-maker-faire-well-bring-it-to-you-in-photos-26859a1b

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as Foothills Amateur Radio ...

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Take Amateur Radio to the public - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 27 May 2012 12:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHL9bWx2Paici-LrNYgPyNpAs8msg&url=http:
//www.southgatearc.org/news/may2012/take_amateur_radio_to_the_public.htm

Take Amateur Radio to the public
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
16 June is National Amateur Radio Day in South Africa. The SARL (South
African Radio League) invites young and old to celebrate the day by taking
amateur radio to the public. Talk on the air, invite some into your radio
room or be daring and set up ...

842. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 28 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-28 11:06:55 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f503824adbabf04c116b6b5@google.com>
Source record: 2909
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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High Altitude Balloon Crossband Repeater Payload Northeast USA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/faFpDzPh_AQ/high_altitude_balloon_crossband_repeater.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio operators in New England and northern Atlantic coast in the US and Canada are invited to listen and operate via the crossband repeater payload on a high altitude balloon flight from Hermon, Maine

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Chelmsford talk - Marconi's New Street Factory

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m4TJjMkvTt4/marconi_new_street_factory.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

June sees the centenary of the opening of the world's first purpose designed and built wireless factory in New Street, Chelmsford

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ARISS call for volunteers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/A3ehlcIzEQc/ariss_call_for_volunteers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During the Dayton Hamvention AMSAT and the ARRL announced opportunities for amateur radio satellite operators to join the ARISS Program (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) in roles as Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators

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Radio Arcala moves across three continents in WPX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iQ65x3niPao/radio_arcala_moves_across_three_continents_in_wpx.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In the summer months of the Far North, the midnight sun never sets and no QSOs are possible on the point rich lower bands. Additionally, 10M rarely opens in the North, so the only choice left to Radio Arcala and their associates is to tactically move South to satisfy their competitive urge

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Open Day and Auction at Hull and District Amateur Radio Society

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The Hull and District Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open event
on Sunday 24th of June 2012

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Howdy gang... Here's an update on all the Contests and Events I'll be
involved in, hanging out on 52.525FM as per usual

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 27th May 2012

The news headlines:

* NoV issued for new 2m transatlantic propagation study

* Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party Award reminder

* RSGB responds to Ofcom's consultation on proposed Wireless Telegraphy Act Regulations

On 18 May, Ofcom issued a NoV for another propagation beacon to test the possibility of a 144MHz transatlantic path from the UK. Located at Lough Navar Forest in Co Fermanagh, Northern Ireland, at 349m ASL it will have a clear take off over the sea. GB3WGI will radiate on 144.487MHz towards North America, initially with an ERP of 100 watts relative to a dipole, with plans to increase this if licensing allows. This beacon was made possible due to the generous donation of a transmitter by Brian Justin, WA1ZMS, the man behind the US 70MHz beacon, and NoV holder, Gordon Curry, GI6ATZ, who is providing the site and site services. This NoV is particularly welcome from Ofcom in what is clearly a busy Olympic year and the VHF weak signal community in the US and the UK thank them for their efforts. No date is yet fixed for the installation of the beacon, but plans are well under way and an announcement will be made in due course.

Amateurs are reminded that the Q special prefix runs until 10 June and that contacts with stations using this special prefix count to the award for those who wish to apply for their Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party Award. Full details, including how to apply for a Q prefix, are on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/jubilee

This week the RSGB responded to Ofcom's consultation on proposed Wireless Telegraphy Act Regulations. It has made a formal input to the Ofcom consultation on proposed new Regulations to provide Ofcom with powers to take action in cases of interference from non wireless telegraphy apparatus. Whilst the immediate proposal is to implement the new Regulations in time for the Olympic Games, the action by Ofcom highlights the point that the Society has advocated on many occasions – the need for Ofcom to have statutory powers in cases of serious interference to the spectrum from non- WT apparatus. Ofcom has indicated that it intends to prepare Regulations for ongoing application after the Olympic Games and part of the RSGB response emphasises the need for such powers. The text of the RSGB response can

be found online at www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id=0362. The consultation remains open until 28 May 2012.

Today, 27 May, William Williams, GW8TGS will be an Olympic Torchbearer as part of the team carrying the Flame through Aberystwyth around 1814BST. Having taken part in several charity runs and raising over £15,000 for charity, William, GW8TGS was nominated by the Rotary Club of Aberystwyth for his fund raising and his other voluntary work. William says he feels honoured to be taking part in this once-in-a-lifetime event.

The International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend is held in August every year. So far registrations are going well, with Australia on 42 entries ahead of its rival Germany, with 36 registrations. There are 215 entries from 30 countries and the numbers are rising each week. Among those activating ten lightships are Australia, Belgium, England, Finland, Germany, Netherlands, and the USA. The basic objective of the weekend is to increase awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for preservation and restoration, and at the same time to promote amateur radio and foster international goodwill. International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend is on 18 and 19 August and registration is available on the website www.illw.net.

2012 is the Centenary of the Wireless Institute of Australia being established in the State of Queensland, Australia. A special Centenary callsign, VK100WIQ, will be activated from 1 June through to 31 July by way of the WIA affiliated radio clubs in Queensland. There is also a Centenary QSL card and a Centenary award available. Details of the QSL card and award can be found at www.wia.org.au.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 21 May 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Cuban amateurs have received permission to use more digital modes on the airwaves. In addition to PSK31, QPSK31, AMTOR, PACKET and RTTY, Domino Contestia, Olivia, MFSK, JT65 and almost all variants of PSK have been added. Another important step is that they have now have access to the national society's internal network using packet radio nodes and have permission to use packet gateways in cross bands.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

GB2RS has not received any details of rallies taking place this weekend, 27 and 28 May.

The Central Scotland Mini Ham Radio Convention will take place on 2 June. It will be held at Crofthead Farm Community Education Centre, Templar Rise, Livingston EH54 6DG. Doors open at 10am, and there will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as lectures and an RSGB bookstand.

On 3 June, the Spalding & District Annual Rally will take place at The Sir John Gleed Technology School, Halmer Gardens, Spalding, Lincs, PE11

2EF. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands, free car parking and catering facilities at the event. More details from John, G4NBR, on 07946 302 815.

Now for the news of special events

The Geoparks Communications Weekend finishes today, 27 May. EI2GEO will be on the air from Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. Activity will mainly be on HF.

Coventry Amateur Radio Society will put GB50CCC on the air until 19 June for the Coventry Cathedral Celebration.

Chorley and District Amateur Radio Society will be on air over the Queen's Diamond Jubilee bank holiday weekend with the club call MX0ISN. A special QSL card is being produced for this event and details are on qrz.com.

South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB0GMO from Grantham Museum on 1 and 2 June to mark the re-opening of the museum. They will be using voice modes on all bands from 6m to 40m and also on 2m from 10am to 4pm when the museum is open. A special QSL card will be available either direct or via the RSGB bureau.

South Lancs Radio Club will be on the air from Ashurst Beacon main car parking area airing the callsign MQ0SLR/P between 10am until 6pm on 2 June. Then on 3 June from 10am to 4pm they will be on the air from Shackerley Community Centre using MQ0SLR/P.

The Kent Weald Radio Club will be operating from the Headcorn Aerodrome, Kent for the duration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee week beginning on 1 June. The club will be using the special event callsigns GB1ER and GB1HA working the HF, VHF & UHF bands. Visitors are welcome to call in to see the operation. Further details are available from Patrick, G0UXG via e-mail to palybl@btinternet.com.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

F5IRO has received his Ugandan callsign 5X5RO. He will be operating CW and PSK during his spare time until 8 June. QSL via F8DFP.

OK7MT, OK5MM and OK2PP will be operating stroke P4 until 31 May. They will use the callsign P40H in the WPX CW Contest that finishes at midnight tonight, 27 May. QSL via OK7MT.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 21 May 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. European Football Championship 2012 On The Air is an activity organised by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs. From 1 June to 5 July there will be numerous special event stations active on the air. More detailed information can be found at http://efc2012.pzk.org.pl.

A multi-national group will operate from the Kingdom of Bhutan until 6 June. The callsign will be A5A. They will be active on all bands from

10 to 80m and will take part in the WPX CW Contest that finishes at midnight tonight, 27 May.

Craig, MM0SSG is now on the air from Luanda in Angola until around the end of October. Workwise he is employed on an offshore oil platform but he is active as D2SG when back on land. His QSL manager is GM4FDM.

Now the contest news

Today, 27 May, is the third 70MHz Cumulative contest taking place from 1400 to 1600UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CW leg of the WPX Contest finishes at midnight tonight, 27 May, after a gruelling 48 hours. There are numerous entry categories, single/multi-band, single/multi-op, QRP/low/high-power, etc. Exchange a report and serial number.

The 70MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC on 29 May. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

NFD takes place next weekend, 2 and 3 June during the Queen's Diamond Jubilee weekend. Incidentally, the Contest Committee considered changing the date of NFD so that it would not coincide with the Jubilee weekend, but decided not to because lots of other countries also have their Field Days on the same weekend. Running from 1500 to 1500UTC on the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The UK Six Metre Group's Summer E's Contest runs for 24 hours on 2 and 3 June from 1300 to 1300UTC on the 50MHz band. Using all modes, exchange a signal report, serial number, locator and, if you are a member of UKSMG, your membership number.

The UK Microwave Group Low Band Contest takes place on 3 June on the 1.3, 2.3 and 3.4GHz bands. Running from 1000 to 1600UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 18th to Thursday the 24th of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 25th of May.

Five new sunspot groups appeared during the period, with eight groups visible on the 20th. Most sunspot groups were small and quiet. A couple of regions were large enough to produce small C class solar flares, 17 in total for the period. Solar activity was very low on the 20th, 21st and the 22nd. Solar flux levels declined from 132 units on the 18th to 116 by the 24th. The average was 125 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 24th was 116 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels varied little day to day and the average was B3.6 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but on the 20th a small disturbance arrived, this relates back to the M5 solar flare from

the 17th. The Ap was 11 units. More elevated conditions took place on the 22nd and 23rd when the Ap was 18 and 19 units respectively. This was due to a recurring coronal hole. The only quiet day was the 19th, with an Ap index of 5 units. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second on the 21st to 700 by the 23rd. Particle densities were low every day, however, on the 20th they increased to 11 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz varied between minus 4 and plus 6 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus and plus 11 nanoTeslas during the coronal hole disturbance.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 21 May 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And finally the solar forecast. At first this week the quiet side of the Sun should be looking our way but from about midweek new active regions should be rotating into view. Solar activity is expected to be mostly low. Solar flux levels should increase and be in the 120's by next weekend. Overall, geomagnetic activity should be mostly quiet every day. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 14MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1400 and 2100 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days with openings up to 70MHz at least. Openings on 144MHz are also possible on the occasional days with the favoured times during the mid morning and again in the late afternoon, but remember not exclusively.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization, from 7pm on Monday 28 May. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday 1 June there is a club HF net is on GB3FR from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is participating in the 50MHz UK Activity Contest on Tuesday 29 May. On Wednesday there is a talk at the BSA Club by Jim, G0EJQ and Steve, M5ZZZ on what's new at the RSGB. On Thursday 31 May there is a simplex club net on 145.375MHz from 20.00. On Saturday 2 June it's the Diamond Jubilee special event station GQ5FZ from the shack all day and a posh barbecue. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Wythall Radio Club continues its Intermediate course on Monday 28 May. Tuesday is a free `n' easy evening, then on Thursday the Lew Williams' Shield CW event comes to an end. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is celebrating Olympic Torch Bearing Day in Shropshire on Wednesday 30 May with a field event and refreshments. Then on Saturday 2 June it's National Field Day (CW) with G3JKX et al. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 28 May Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal meeting. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 28 May Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding its AGM & surplus sale. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 29 May Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 29 May Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 29 May Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a club on air night on 145.350MHz FM from 7.30pm. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 30 May Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and is on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 30 May South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 21 May 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday 31 May Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a demo of the Buddipole antenna by Alasdair, M0UAL. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 1 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an antenna workshop. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 1 June South Birmingham Radio Society is doing shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Sunday 3 June Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is operating GQ5BK at Brizen Jubilee Party. Details from Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Monday 28 May by Steve, M1ERS on a new home for Sheffield ARC. On Saturday 2 June the club commences its RSGB National Field Day weekend event as G2AS/P. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a technical forum on Monday 28 May and on Thursday is watching the Story Of Electricity video. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having Morse tuition and putting G0NWM on the air on Friday 1 June, then on Saturday commences its RSGB National Field Day weekend event. Details from M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 28 May Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 28 May Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk by Chris, G4HYG on HF digimodes with a contest bias. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Tuesday 29 May Chester & District Radio Society is looking at The Other Man's Shack . Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 29 May Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a members' night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Thursday 31 May Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a show and tell evening. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Friday 1 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 2 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend National Field Day event at Bewholme. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

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NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Monday 28 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is holding its 75th Anniversary Dinner. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Tuesday 29 May Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 30 May Ayr Amateur Radio Group is holding a group meeting. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 30 May Glenrothes & DRC is preparing for National Field Day. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 31 May Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is on the air and running a Morse class. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 1 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723

On Saturday 2 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is operating MM0CPS at Port Seton Gala Day. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Saturday 2 June Glenrothes & DRC commences its National Field Day weekend event. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Saturday 2 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is at the Central Scotland Mini Ham Radio Convention. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Tuesday 29 May and Saturday 2 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having an introduction to transistors by G3YVF on Thursday 31 May. On Friday 1 June the club starts operating GB2QJ on HF and VHF from the club shack. Details from Andrew, M6AAE, on 07403 325 075.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30 on Tuesday 29 May, and on Sunday 3 June they are attending the W&S Open Day. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal meeting on Wednesday 30 May, including Bright Sparks and opening the club shack and workshop. On Saturday 2 June the club commences its weekend event for National Field Day. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 27 May Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is holding a chat night. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 0772 225 002.

On Monday 28 May Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a construction evening. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

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is having an informal evening at Rayners Lane. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Wednesday 30 May Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is watching the T32C DVD. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Thursday 31 May Bittern DX Group is meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 31 May Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 31 May King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Ray, G3RSV, by email to ral- g3rsv@supanet.com.

On Thursday 31 May Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 31 May Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Top Band pedestrian DF hunt with Gary, M6PLT as the fox. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday 1 June Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on inductors, transformers and tuned circuits by Bob, G3OOU. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 1 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a surplus equipment sale. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 1 June Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is holding its AGM. Details are on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 2 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in National Field Day. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Sunday 3 June Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Intermediate course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 28 May Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HF DX Operations with GX4ARE, then on Thursday it's the 2m club net on 145.575MHz at 19:45. The 4m club net is on Thursday on 70.425MHz at 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 28 May Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk by Tony Bettley on what really happened at the T32C DXpedition". Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 28 May Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, via email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 28 May Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a Morse class & natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 30 May Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 21 May 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday 31 May South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding an open house and on the air night. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 31 May Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Thursday 31 May Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air on 145.500 then 145.550. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

On Sunday 3 June Carmarthan Amateur Radio Society is having a rig check by GW4RVA. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

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844. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 21 - 27 May 2012

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
21 - 27 May 2012

Solar activity was very low to low during the period. An impressive
CME was observed from a region beyond the west limb late on 26 May.
Associated with this non-Earth-directed CME were Type II (estimated
shock velocity 751 km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps as well as a
greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit. There were
five regions numbered during the period with Region 1492 (S14,
L=281, class/area Eao/190, on 27 May) being one of the largest and
most active. This region produced six C-class flares, including a
long duration C3/Sf flare at 27/0552Z associated with a
non-Earth-directed CME observed off the southeast limb in LASCO
C2/C3 imagery.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event was observed at geosynchronous
orbit on 27 May. The event began at 27/0535 UTC, reached a peak of
14 pfu at 27/1045 UTC, and ended at 27/1235 UTC. This event was
associated with the CME observed beyond the west limb.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached
high levels during 24 - 27 May.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels
during the period. Mostly quiet levels occurred on 21 May. Activity
increased to quiet to active levels on 22 May. A further increase to
quiet to minor storm levels occurred on 23 May. Activity decreased
to quiet to unsettled levels during 24 - 25 May with brief active to
minor storm periods at high latitudes. Mostly quiet levels occurred
during 26 - 27 May. The increased activity during 22 - 25 May was
associated with a recurrent coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS).
ACE solar wind data indicated a co-rotating interaction region (CIR)
on 22 May in advance of the CH HSS. Associated with the CIR were
increased IMF Bt (peak 14 nT) and intermittent periods of southward
IMF Bz (maximum deflections to -11 nT). The CH HSS commenced on 23
May as wind speeds increased to around 700 km/s. The CH HSS began to
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gradually subside on 24 May.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
28 May - 23 June 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels during the period with a chance for M-class activity during 30 May through 13 June due to the return of old Region 1476 (N10, L=180, class/area Fkc/1050 on 09 May).

A chance for a greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit exists from 30 May through 13 June due to the return of old Region 1476.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels during 28 - 29 May, 06 - 12 June, and 20 - 23 June in response to recurrent CH HSS effects. Normal to moderate levels are expected during the rest of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during most of the period. There is a chance for isolated active periods during 4 - 5 June and again during 18 - 19 June due to recurrent CH HSS effects.

845. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 28 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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PJ4HZ Bonaire Island

Posted: 28 May 2012 01:20 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347938-PJ4HZ-Bonaire-Island&goto=newpost

K9HZ will be active from Bonaire Island 1-10 June 2012 as PJ4HZ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...onaire-island/

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Aircraft Carrier USS Hornet (CVS-12) on Museum Ships Weekend

Posted: 27 May 2012 03:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347905-Aircraft-Carrier-USS-Hornet-(CVS-12)-on-Museum-Ships-Weekend&goto=newpost

The USS Hornet ARC will operate station NB6GC from the USS Hornet Aircraft Carrier Museum in Alameda, CA as part of the 2012 Museum Ships On The Air Weekend sponsored by USS New Jersey (BB-62). NB6GC will operate SSB, PSK, and maybe CW on the 75M, 40M, 30M, 20M, 15M, and 10M HF bands. SSB frequencies will usually be XXXXX12 KHz in the General Class Phone bands, i.e., 3812, 7212, 14312, 21312, and 28312. PSK-31 will be on the usual PSK frequencies for each band, i.e., 7070, 10140, 14070, and 21070. CW operation, if conducted, will be at the low end of the General Class CW allocation plus 12 KHz. Three radios will be in operation whenever possible. Hours of operation (PDT): Friday, June 1, 1700 - 2200; Saturday, June 2, 0930 - 2200; Sunday, June 3, 0930 - 1700. Contact ko6no@yahoo.com for information. 73 de Ken, KO6NO.

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USS MIDWAY (CV-41) Museum SE

Posted: 27 May 2012 09:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347854-USS-MIDWAY-(CV-41)-Museum-SE&goto=newpost

Jun 2,3, 1600-2359, San Diego, CA. USS MIDWAY (CV-41) Museum Radio Operations Room, NI6IW. International Museum Ships Radio Event, D-Day Normandy 1944, Navy Hospital Corps established 1898. SSB 7.250 14.320, PSK31 14.070, D-STAR 012C and 2m/70cm SOCAL repeaters. QSL SASE to USS MIDWAY Museum Radio Room, 910 N Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101-5811.

kk6fz@arrl.net

846. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 28 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-28 16:27:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ee58780fa04c11b308b@google.com>
Source record: 2913
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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High Altitude Balloon Crossband Repeater Payload Northeast USA

Posted: 28 May 2012 01:30 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347939-High-Altitude-Balloon-Crossband-Repeater-Payload-Northeast-USA&goto=newpost

High Altitude Balloon Crossband Repeater Payload Northeast USA

Amateur radio operators in New England and northern Atlantic coast in the US and Canada are invited to listen and operate via the crossband repeater payload on a high altitude balloon flight from Hermon, Maine.

Launch is planned for June 2, 2012 at about 0830 EDT (UTC-4) by members of the Pine State Amateur Radio Club as one of the events during the 25th Annual Bangor Hamfest at Hermon High School.

The club is working with the University of Maine Electrical and Computer Engineering Department to plan and execute the flight.

The crossband repeater frequencies are:

Uplink: 147.570 MHz

Downlink: 446.100 MHz

The payload will also include APRS for position and altitude tracking. University of Maine tracking information can be found at:

http://eece.maine.edu/umhab/

Coverage for the VHF/UHF repeater is estimated to be more than 450

miles. Stations as far away as western New York, Long Island, all of New England, and Maritime Canada should be able to work it.

The PSARC High Altitude Balloon team will award a certificate for the station furthest away from the balloon to make contact through the repeater. Please join in to help set a distance record for the repeater.

The latest launch information and more details are available on-line:

http://www.n1me.org/Hamfest.php

http://eece.maine.edu/umhab/ (which will be updated shortly before

the launch.)

Steve Jordan, KD1OM,

President PSARC and

Stuart Ballinger, WA2BSS

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847. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-030E - Field Day 2012 is just around the corner.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-28 19:00:14 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FC3CACC.9040704@rac.ca>
Source record: 2914
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-030E - Field Day 2012 is just around the corner.
2012-05-28

This year's Field Day is just weeks away, and by now your preparations should be well under way. Whether your focus for the event is an Emergency Preparedness Display, a Public Service Demonstration or just an excuse to get on the air, the main thing is to have fun.

This is also a great time to recruit new Hams, or encourage "just licensed" Hams to join you to get their "feet wet" with pile ups, experiencing for the first time the thrill of having the world at their fingertips.

Field Day is also a great time to recruit new RAC members, or to repatriate ones who have not renewed for one reason or another. Why not place some RAC membership forms on your Public Information table.

For full Field Day rules and details, please visit the ARRL website.
Have fun!

73

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

848. eHam.net News for Monday 28 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-28 22:03:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934127755875704c11fe2cc@google.com>
Source record: 2915
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Queen Anne's Amateur Radio Club Plans Field Day Exercise at Library:

Posted: 27 May 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28388

CENTREVILLE Join members of the Queen Anne's Amateur Radio Club (QAARC) as they plan for Field Day 2012. The planning will take place at the club meeting that begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 5, at the Queen Anne's County Free Library, 121 S. Commerce Street, Centreville. Non-club members, club members and others interested in field day operations are invited to the planning session.

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D-STAR Training Video On-Line from Ham Radio Now:

Posted: 27 May 2012 05:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28387

John Davis WB4QDX from Georgia D-STAR presents this three-hour seminar on using and programming D-STAR radios. The class was conducted in conjunction with the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. HamRadioNow presents the video in three parts, each about 45 to 50 minutes long.

849. HOT PEOPLE HOT AND SEXY VIDEOS FOR U SEE AND ENJOY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 01:32:55 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5ab541fb-c756-413d-ac81-4e05321adf91@nw7g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2916

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

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mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

850. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 28 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 02:33:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba2019d4c1804c123a9e3@google.com>
Source record: 2917
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Severe weather fuels ham radio growth - Middletown Journal

Posted: 18 May 2012 10:20 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFc-aIIEFNsHBE3vcXwX275Ms26Ww&url=http://www.middletownjournal.com/news/middletown-news/severe-weather-fuels-ham-radio-growth-1378049.html

Severe weather fuels ham radio growth
Middletown Journal
By Dave Larson, Staff Writer 1:07 AM Saturday, May 19, 2012 The number of licensed amateur radio operators in the US is at an all-time high, in part because of ham radio use during and after severe weather, experts said. The number of amateur radio ...
Dayton goes Radio Active this weekendWDTN

all 3 news articles

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Amateur radio emergency group volunteers services - St. George Daily Spectrum

Posted: 16 May 2012 04:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGlx41bHfRbm4Uc7Oqa3A91-iR3Pw&url=http://www.thespectrum.com/article/20120516/NEWS01/205160317/Amateur-radio-emergency-group-volunteers-services?odyssey%3Dtab%257Ctopnews%257Ctext%257CFrontpage

Amateur radio emergency group volunteers services
St. George Daily Spectrum
GEORGE - The Washington County Commission approved a memorandum of understanding Tuesday with a group of amateur radio operators who are helping to ensure communications dont go down during a community-wide emergency. "At the Big Shakeout (statewide ...

and more

851. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 11:10:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410abafe1bb04c12ae29a@google.com>
Source record: 2918
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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RCF and Ofcom agree ACO exam pass equivalent to Amateur Radio Foundation
pass

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iO7ifEPZqd8/rcf_and_ofcom_agree_aco_exam_pass_equivalent_to_amateur_radio_foundation_pass.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent examination as
equivalent to a pass in the Amateur Radio Foundation examination

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SA gets lion's share of SKA but we should have had it all

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u7cOWBArC20/sa_gets_lion_share_of_ska_but_we_should_have_had_it_all.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Africa was identified by consensus as the preferred site but the
recommendation was overturned by the SKA Organization after complaints by
the Australians. It was then agreed to consider constructing one of the
three SKA receiver components in Australia. Two will be constructed in
Africa

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Change in IRTS 40 Metre News Frequency

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_UiGSudK5nE/change_in_40_metre_irts_news_frequency.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The present Irish Radio Transmitters Society 40 metre news frequency has
become increasingly busier on Sunday mornings. It has been decided,
therefore, to move the transmission of the 40 metre news to a new frequency

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Beta version of SimpleSat software available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vmbs_zF4zSc/beta_version_of_simplesat_software_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SimpleSat Look Down program is designed for demonstrating satellite operation. It is also useful in educational environments

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Field Day 2012 is just around the corner

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ofMkD05NNB8/field_day_2012_is_just_around_the_corner.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This year's Field Day is just weeks away, and by now your preparations should be well under way. Whether your focus for the event is an Emergency Preparedness Display, a Public Service Demonstration or just an excuse to get on the air, the main thing is to have fun

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STRaND-2 'Kinect' Satellites video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZXN5qaZr-Yo/strand2_kinect_satellites_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

STRaND-2, is a twin nanosatellite mission from SSTL and the University of Surrey to test a novel in-orbit docking system

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Small asteroid buzzes Earth on May 29th

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KJ0i-glVdYk/small_asteroid_buzzes_earth_on_may_29th.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A small asteroid is flying past Earth today inside the orbit of geosynchronous satellites and only 14,000 km above the surface of our planet

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Cuban group hope for a 'first'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cafRhezXTI4/cuban_group_hope_for_a_first.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Filial of 'Federación de Radioaficionados de Cuba' in Las Tunas, will be active once again during "ARRL June VHF QSO Party" as a 'Limited multioperator' entry from FL10MW using his usual callsign T48K

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Waters and Stanton Open Day Sunday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IfDqLAA1YH4/ws_open_day_sunday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The popular Waters and Stanton Open Day takes place in Hockley, Essex, SS5 4QS on Sunday, June 3 at 10am

852. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 12:35:12 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <mb9hihBAKMxPFwKm@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2919
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <14dae93410abafe1bb04c12ae29a@google.com>, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> writes
>Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
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>
>The Radio Communications Foundation is pleased to announce that
>agreement has been reached with the Air Cadets Organisation (ACO) to
>accept a pass in their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent
>examination as equivalent to a pass in the Amateur Radio Foundation
>examination
>
Do the Air Cadets get any experience of amateur radio procedures and etiquette?
--
Ian

853. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 12:50:52 UTC
From: Joseph Pujol <le.petomane@pongy.bottom.org>
Message-ID: <sJ6dncy4gsWvW1nSnZ2dnUVZ8hSdnZ2d@bt.com>
Source record: 2920
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On 29/05/2012 13:35, Ian Jackson wrote:

>>
> Do the Air Cadets get any experience of amateur radio procedures and
> etiquette?

I once knew a WAAF who used to kiss her pilot boyfriend between the hangars.

854. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 16:07:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5038243557af04c12f06ef@google.com>
Source record: 2921
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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RCF and Ofcom agree ACO exam pass equivalent to Amateur Radio Foundation
pass

Posted: 29 May 2012 01:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348086-RCF-and-Ofcom-agree-ACO-exam-pass-equivalent-to-Amateur-Radio-Foundation-pass&goto=newpost

RCF and Ofcom agree ACO exam pass equivalent to Amateur Radio Foundation
pass

The Radio Communications Foundation is pleased to announce that agreement has been reached with the Air Cadets Organisation (ACO) to accept a pass in their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent examination as equivalent to a pass in the Amateur Radio Foundation examination.

Ofcom has also accepted that the ACO FE examination syllabus meets the Radio Amateur Foundation level requirements and will issue a Radio Amateur Foundation level licence via the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB), on receipt of a successful Air Cadet candidate pass details.

The Foundation understands that the RSGB is offering those under 21 who achieve their licence through this route a year□s free membership of the Society.

The vision of the Foundation is to bring the benefits of radio to young people and to encourage the use of technology. The Foundation is delighted with this agreement as it completely meets this objective and it is inspiring that young Air Cadets may set out on a lifetime of enjoyment of the hobby through this agreement.

The Radio Communications Foundation

The Radio Communications Foundation is a Registered Charity established in 2003 with the objectives of supporting people and projects where radio communications through the expertise of the radio amateur is the theme. In 2007, the Office of Communications (Ofcom) signed an agreement with the Foundation for the management of the examinations required to obtain an Amateur Radio transmitting licence. The Radio Society of Great Britain administers these examinations in accordance with standards defined by the Foundation. See www.commsfoundation.org

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855. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 16:29:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341277d87d4a04c12f5420@google.com>
Source record: 2922
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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T88 Licensing

Posted: 29 May 2012 04:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348099-T88-Licensing&goto=newpost

Planning a trip to Palau for the IARU contest in July and I have been
searching for the person who issues the licenses. Back in 1988 I was able
to get KC6YT in a flash but today under T88 things may take longer. Email:
hs0zdg@gmail.com

Tnx & 73,

Karl, K4YT

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JT0YPS JT0YAB Mongolia

Posted: 28 May 2012 10:39 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347989-JT0YPS-JT0YAB-Mongolia&goto=newpost

UA9YAB and UA9YPS will be active from Mongolia 31 May - 4 June 2012 as
JT0YAB and JT0YPS

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...0yab_mongolia/

73 Al 4L5A

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GB60HRH

Posted: 28 May 2012 10:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347986-GB60HRH&goto=newpost

Guys.

A team from WDRS, (www.wdrs.org.uk) will be activating a short 8 hour
burst, using the callsign GB60HRH in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee
of Queen Elizabeth 2nd.

It is anticipated to kickoff around 0800 UTC and bands will be 10-20 inc
WARC.

Full details via QRZ.

856. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 16:58:37 UTC
From: "Brian Reay." <seewebsiteinv@ild.com>
Message-ID: <2f7xr.643157$_Q.82604@fx01.am4>
Source record: 2923
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Ian Jackson" <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk> wrote in message
news:mb9hihBAKMxPFwKm@g3ohx.demon.co.uk...
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>>in their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent examination as
>>equivalent to a pass in the Amateur Radio Foundation examination
>>
> Do the Air Cadets get any experience of amateur radio procedures and
> etiquette?

That is the question I've just asked.

I doubt it will get a welcome response.

This has been rushed through by some on the RCF without thinking about it.

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73
Brian G8OSN/W8OSN
www.g8osn.net

857. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 17:11:05 UTC
From: Thermionic Onion <punkbiscuit@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <857b2840-6693-41f3-b959-a90ceb43c4e3@b26g2000vbt.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2925
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On May 29, 1:35 pm, Ian Jackson
<ianREMOVETHISjack...@g3ohx.demon.co.uk> wrote:

> Do the Air Cadets get any experience of amateur radio procedures and
> etiquette?
> --
> Ian

Depends.

Many CI's are radio amateurs too and introduce amateur radio
to cadets alongside the official training manuals.

858. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 17:45:43 UTC
From: David Woolley <david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid>
Message-ID: <jq3208htq1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2924
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

Ian Jackson wrote:

>>
> Do the Air Cadets get any experience of amateur radio procedures and
> etiquette?

My understanding is they get taught a much stricter etiquette, based on
the needs of military operation.

859. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 18:43:05 UTC
From: Gerard Marcuse <Empire.Service@imperialist.uk>
Message-ID: <OcqdnWHrvaZchVjSnZ2dnUVZ8k6dnZ2d@bt.com>
Source record: 2926
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On 29/05/2012 18:45, David Woolley wrote:

>>>
>> Do the Air Cadets get any experience of amateur radio procedures and
>> etiquette?
>
> My understanding is they get taught a much stricter etiquette, based on
> the needs of military operation.

Yes, but would they understand "The first personal here is Darren,
pushing 50 whiskies up the twig"?

860. eHam.net News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-29 22:09:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341277a6420a04c134168b@google.com>
Source record: 2927
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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WIA DSTAR Repeater VK3RWW Now Online From Mildura:

Posted: 28 May 2012 05:26 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28392

Just a note to let you all know that VK3RWW B is active in Mildura and is
currently linked to Ref 3C.
Thanks to Rob VK3DN for setting it up and Richard VK3JFK for the repeater.

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Joseph W, Dreher, W2TKG (SK):

Posted: 28 May 2012 05:23 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28391

Joseph Dreher, of Baldwinsville, died Thursday, his 93rd birthday, at
Crouse Hospital after a short illness. He was born in in Terre Haute, Ind.,
and was employed by General Electric Company from 1941 through 1985, his
tenure interrupted by four years active duty during WWII as an officer in
the Corps of Engineers, two years of which were spent in Iceland. In 1947
he moved to Baldwinsville, having been relocated by General Electric to
Electronics Park. An amateur radio enthusiast licensed for almost 80 years,
Mr. Dreher was active in local "ham" affairs. He also spent much time as a
volunteer.

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Firedrake -- China's Secret HF Jamming:

Posted: 27 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28390

Several years ago a jammer dubbed "Firedrake" became
the scourge of the ham bands. Broadcasting it's high
pitched loud music on the amateur radio bands
worldwide, hams sought to locate the source and silence
the broadcasts. Although Firedrake seems to be gone
from the ham band, perhaps temporarily, it still plagues
the shortwave bands.

861. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-30 02:10:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93412773a1a4804c13773aa@google.com>
Source record: 2928
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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NASA Astronaut Hams It Up In Oregon - MarketWatch (press release)

Posted: 29 May 2012 02:40 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNElzgDVz0WR4NF-1cdsNqP9C9bvVw&url=http://www.marketwatch.com/story/nasa-astronaut-hams-it-up-in-oregon-2012-05-29

Oregon Coast Beach Connection
NASA Astronaut Hams It Up In Oregon
MarketWatch (press release)
... shuttle Discovery, will be the featured speaker at the Sea-Pac Northwest Amateur Radio Convention banquet on June 2. Sea-Pac members from five northwestern states will hear a motivational keynote address titled "Living in the Ultimate Ham Platform.
NASA Astronaut Lands on Oregon Coast, Speaks at ConventionOregon Coast Beach Connection

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Radio club field day set June 23-24 - San Angelo Standard Times

Posted: 29 May 2012 02:39 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHiZJgXbzkSJZVj1V7gB3CD7aNuuQ&url=http://www.gosanangelo.com/news/2012/may/29/radio-club-field-day-set-june-23-24/

Radio club field day set June 23-24
San Angelo Standard Times
By Staff Report SAN ANGELO, Texas — The San Angelo Amateur Radio Club will hold a field day from noon June 23 to noon June 24 at Fort Concho National Historic Landmark, 630 S. Oakes St. The exercise, organized by the American Radio Relay League, ...

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Queen Anne's Amateur Radio Club meets June 5 to plan for Field Day 2012 exercise - The Star Democrat

Posted: 29 May 2012 02:54 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEduhTt-G4b-pvECl7PHxR1owIDyg&url=http://www.stardem.com/article_aaa42510-c34c-5e16-9901-ea0165156603.html

Queen Annes Amateur Radio Club meets June 5 to plan for Field Day 2012 exercise
The Star Democrat

CENTREVILLE Members of the Queen Annes Amateur Radio Club will plan for Field Day 2012 at the club meeting at 6 pm Tuesday, June 5, at the Queen Annes County Free Library, 121 S. Commerce St. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

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Weekend emergency communications drill held by Mormon Church - Examiner.com

Posted: 29 May 2012 11:08 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGmq_PTfW7gVECKcQLKnPGT3WphUw&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/weekend-emergency-communications-drill-held-by-mormon-church

Weekend emergency communications drill held by Mormon Church
Examiner.com
Ham radio operators are required to have an FCC amateur radio operators license. Though not difficult to obtain, study is necessary and applicants must pass a test. In years past, mastery of Morse code was also necessary but “…it no longer part of ...

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RCF and Ofcom agree ACO exam pass equivalent to Amateur Radio Foundation pass - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 28 May 2012 10:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEatPOiDtXp1q3Jo4mbgQK0_KUzAQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/may2012/rcf_and_ofcom_agree_aco_exam_pass_equivalent_to_amateur_radio_foundation_pass.htm

RCF and Ofcom agree ACO exam pass equivalent to Amateur Radio Foundation pass
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
to announce that agreement has been reached with the Air Cadets Organisation (ACO) to accept a pass in their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent examination as equivalent to a pass in the Amateur Radio Foundation examination.

862. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 30 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-30 06:20:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfcbe4eb304c13af371@google.com>
Source record: 2929
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Rochester Hamfest 2012: Here we GROW again!

Posted: 28 May 2012 06:02 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347954-Rochester-Hamfest-2012-Here-we-GROW-again!&goto=newpost

(I received the following via email)

Rochester Hamfest 2012: Here we GROW again!

Sponsored by the Rochester Amateur Radio Association

We outgrew our previous location and we didn't like relying on the weather;
so we moved to become a huge indoor event - still only $5.00! If you can
only make one big hamfest this summer we're sure you won't be disappointed
at the newest Rochester Hamfest!

When : June 30, 2012 (6:30am - 4pm) - Last chance Auction starts at 2pm.

Where : Rochester Institute of Technology Campus (Close to the Thruway)

Highlights :

WEATHERPROOF!

60,000sf of beautiful INDOOR air-conditioned space for Commercial
Vendors and Flea Market

Outdoor tailgating available on pavement

Raffle prizes include: Five (5) dual band hand held radios, gift
certificates, and more!

Tickets and Attendance

All at the same low prices!

Admission: $5 - (FREE for RaRa members & kids)

Indoor Flea Market Space: $5 - (FREE for RaRa members)

Table and chair rental $10.00 (Note: Only available by advanced
reservation before June 10th!)

Outdoor Tailgating: $5 - (FREE for RaRa members)

Save time and $$$ - Get your tickets and reserve your space now! (Click here) Don't wait in line: Advance ticket holders can use "Express Check-in lanes".

Limited spaces are still available... exhibitor sales close June 1st.

Reserve your spaces now!

Lodging and Other Area Activities

Onsite Hotel for out of town travelers

Side trips for the family while you're "Hamming it up":

Niagara Falls

New York wine country

Rochester Beaches

Rochester Museum

Rochester Zoo

863. Re: QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 30 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-30 10:18:00 UTC
From: Scott <acepilotREMOVE@bloomer.net>
Message-ID: <kPWdnZVtK4VKbljSnZ2dnUVZ_sadnZ2d@bright.net>
Source record: 2930
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

On 5-30-2012 06:20, QRZ.com via rec.radio.info Admin wrote:

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> weather; so we moved to become a huge indoor event - still only $5.00!
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> disappointed at the newest Rochester Hamfest!

You had my hopes up for a while. Rochester, MINNESOTA isn't too
terribly far away, but NY is. ;)

864. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 30 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-30 11:22:35 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfc4ab3af04c13f018d@google.com>
Source record: 2931
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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The anniversary ILLW grabs imagination

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LgIqhX2gvM8/anniversary_illw_grabs_imag
ination.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August
has inspired many to register early with 32 countries and nearly 250
registered already

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Italian Earthquakes - Further activity

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tsqVLsb9kNY/italian_earthquakes_further
_activity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two additional earthquakes have struck the Emilia Romagna region of Italy
on Tuesday afternoon, May 29

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Thailand holds Intermediate Exam

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oDijRrehhYs/thailand_holds_intermediate
_exam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first Intermediate Class amateur radio examination in Thailand for
almost eight years was held May 19, 2012

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Radioclub Cancun on Cayo Culebra Island

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mlQiyLRPspk/cayo_culebra_island.htm?utm
_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Radioclub Cancun will be active as 4A3RCC from Cayo Culebra
Island (NA-200) between June 1-3rd

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IOTA DXpedition to Papua New Guinea

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1ywBz7tBeZQ/iota_dxpedition_to_papua_ne

w_guinea.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Operators Derek G3KHZ and Hans SM6CVX are planning another IOTA DXpedition
to Papua New Guinea for three weeks in October

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Ham Radio Hoarder

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vJMH2X0bYac/ham_radio_hoarder.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A humorous video/song about love and Ham Radios

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472-479 kHz in Monaco

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1W-VIvH85JA/472_479%20khz_in_monaco.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Monaco has allocated an amateur radio band at 472 kHz

865. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 30 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-30 16:05:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411cf8d26f404c1431fb8@google.com>
Source record: 2932
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Firedrake Exposed! China's Secret Shortwave Jamming Project

Posted: 28 May 2012 06:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347955-Firedrake-Exposed!-China-s-Secret-Shortwave-Jamming-Project&goto=newpost

Hi, Below is information about my new book. It is the third book of mine that has been published in 2012 covering topics related to radio communications. You were kind enough to publish information about my first two books this year and I hope that you will be able to publish the information about my newest book.

"Firedrake Exposed! China's Secret Shortwave Jamming Project" by Steven Handler (N9ABC)

Several years ago a jammer dubbed "Firedrake" became the scourge of the ham bands. Broadcasting it's high pitched loud music on the amateur radio bands worldwide, hams sought to locate the source and silence the broadcasts. Although Firedrake seems to be gone from the ham band, perhaps temporarily, it still plagues the shortwave bands. My new 23 page mini-book "Firedrake Exposed! China's Secret Shortwave Jamming Project" published in May of 2012 exposes the source of the Firedrake jamming.

The book reviews shortwave jamming by China, including Firedrake and other HF jammers. It includes precise direction finding results, obtained from ITU registered monitoring sites, identifying transmitter sites. It also includes charts of Firedrake HF frequencies and times heard broadcasting in 2012 as well as historical charts of frequencies and times during the 2011. This book provides background information on Chinese shortwave jamming as well as the US response.

It is available in an electronic version only. For more information contact the author at n9abc@arrl.net

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Interview to 7O6T

Posted: 27 May 2012 10:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347933-Interview-to-7O6T&goto=newpost

After having struggled to work 7O6T, now on DXCoffee.com you can read an extensive interview to team leader, Dimitri RA9USU.

Find it here in English:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/05/...300-qsos-hour/

Or here in Italian:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/ita/2012/05/...00-qso-allora/

73,

Chris - IX1CKN / HB9EYT / KC2YXI

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A year without Dayton

Posted: 27 May 2012 06:30 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347915-A-year-without-Dayton&goto=newpost

Well, I guess you could say I□m a Dayton junkie. I have been to every Hamvention for over 30 years. When leaving Hamvention, from the time the wheels of my truck hit Basore Road, I am looking forward to next year's Hamvention. After a long, cold winter in Pittsburgh you need something to keep you going. I have been a ham since 1979 and I have about anything a ham could ever want or need, sometimes three of them! I no longer go to Dayton for any real need of parts or equipment. No, I go for the entire Dayton experience. For one short weekend a year you go from a world where almost no one knows what ham radio is, to a world where EVERYONE is a ham! And hell, it□s not JUST Hamvention! There□s Four Days in May, the contest dinner, and just about any gathering of special hammy interest you could ever image! I just love every moment of it.

Like I said, I haven□t missed a Hamvention in around 30 years, ever since I started going. Imagine my horror when I discovered that my daughter□s college graduation happened to be on the SAME weekend as Dayton? My stomach did a complete 360! OH MAN. Now, I would never dream of missing my daughter□s graduation, but it was a hard time in the weeks leading up to Hamvention. Turn on the radio and there is someone talking about going to Dayton. I look in the magazines and on every ad it says □See us at Dayton!□ The weather got warmer and my head automatically turned to Dayton mode. I could smell it in the air! I had flash-backs of standing on the loading dock looking over Mendelson□s tent. I could see myself walking up Audio Ally. Oh look, there□s Bob! There□s the FISTS booth on the left. Is Nancy there? At the top I make a right and swing around to the Begali booth. Hi Piero, hi Bruna! It was pure hell. I would be missing all of it!

Now don□t get me wrong, it is not that I was not into my daughter□s college graduation. I was just P-Oed that out of 52 weekends a year, it HAD to be on the one weekend that I cherish over any other weekend of the year. Oh well, that□s the way it goes.

But, this doesn□t stop there! We needed to drive from Pittsburgh up to Rhode Island. That□s about an 11 hour drive. Along the way Dayton haunted me. We stopped at a rest area to use the facilities, I went to use the hand dryer and can you guess the make of the unit? Yes, it was a Dayton hand dryer! I walked out to get back to the car and looked at a car in the parking lot, the handicap license plate happened to be □01 DX□. (No, it

wasn☐t a ham car either) We drove past a Crowne Plaza. We stopped at a local hardware store in Rhode Island and they had Kenwood motor oil! I work on cars for a living and I NEVER heard of Kenwood motor oil? But there it was! Everywhere I looked some element of Hamvention was calling me!

It☐s all over now. Another 300 and some odd days to the largest hamfest in the world. Another 300 some odd days until I can stand on the loading dock overlooking Mendelson☐s tent. Another 300 some odd days until I can walk up Audio Ally. I can☐t wait. My friend Bob got an extra Hamvention program and had other local Pittsburgh hams sign it like a high school year book. I love it. I can look at others pictures and watch YouTube videos. Looks like the weather was great and no sewer pipes busted! (BTW that flowed right through our space last year. hihi)

The graduation went VERY well, thank you for asking. We made it safely there and back, the weather was great and I am one proud daddy. I am blessed. Despite the fact that I wasn☐t at Hamvention I still wanted to thank all of the MANY Hamvention volunteers. You do a fantastic job. By the way, if anyone makes plans for me next Dayton weekend they are going to land up with a black eye! The good Lord willing and the creek don☐t rise, I will be there in 2013. With bell on. CU there

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ANS-148 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347829-ANS-148-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor at amsat.org

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

May 27, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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AMSAT Submits NASA Edison Program Proposals

This week the Board of Directors announced AMSAT was a partner in a pair of Phase-2 NASA Edison Program proposals that were successfully submitted on Tuesday May 22, 2012.

If selected, these proposals would provide AMSAT and its partners with the funds to construct and launch new amateur radio satellites. Due to the highly competitive nature of this program, no additional information can be released at this time.

NASA intends to announce the winning proposals in the Fall of 2012. More information will be released as it becomes available.

[ANS thanks the AMSAT Board of Directors for the above information]

ARISS Call For Volunteers

During the Dayton Hamvention AMSAT and the ARRL announced opportunities for amateur radio satellite operators to join the ARISS Program (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) in roles as Technical Mentors and Ground Station Operators.

On Friday and Saturday of the Hamvention AMSAT Vice President for Educational Relations Mark Hammond, N8MH took advantage of the ARRL Stage to explain these roles for radio amateurs who serve as an advising and coordinating liaison between NASA, the school or group making the ARISS contact, and the Ground Station Operators, who set up the satellite station at the contact location.

This week the ARRL published the ARISS recruiting program on the web with a call for volunteers. The ARRL said, "Public awareness of the ARISS program is growing as a result of a new proposal process, and promotion by NASA

through its broad outreach to schools and teachers. This presents the Amateur Radio community with an opportunity to reach out to even more schools in locations across the US through the ARISS program.

See the ARRL web for full details of the ARISS call for volunteers.

With the help of experienced Amateur Radio volunteers, and coordination from the ARISS partnership team, crew members speak directly with large youth audiences in a variety of public forums --school assemblies, science museums, Scout camporees and jamborees and space camps□where students, teachers, parents, and communities learn about space, space technologies and Amateur Radio.

There are two ways to get involved:

Volunteer with a Ground Support Team

We are recruiting clubs and individuals throughout the US who are able and willing to support the ARISS program in their local communities. Optimally, this means setting up direct Amateur Radio contacts with the ISS. Direct contacts provide the best opportunity to showcase Amateur Radio and offer students a firsthand experience. An ARISS event can open the door for an ongoing relationship between local ham radio clubs and schools, providing students with continuing opportunities to explore radio science, satellite communications and wireless technology with Amateur Radio.

Volunteer as an ARISS Technical Mentor

ARISS is also seeking additional volunteers to train to support the program in the liaison capacity as US ARISS Technical Mentor who will serve as the coordinators between NASA operations and the local on-site support teams at the event site. They serve as advisors to the local Ground Support Volunteers and need the same skills as well as

hands-on satellite communications experience. Technical Mentors communicate with the other mentors on the ARISS international operations team to coordinate ARISS contacts via telebridge stations around the world. They assimilate and transfer this information to the local Ground Support Volunteers who complete all of the arrangements for a

scheduled ARISS contact.

The ARISS program is a cooperative venture of NASA, the ARRL and AMSAT and other international space agencies. ARISS organizes and schedules contacts via Amateur Radio between ISS crew members and educational organizations.

Again ... More details about volunteering to assist with ARISS can be found at the ARRL website.Amateur radio operators interested in becoming involved as a ground support team or technical mentor are invited to send an email to: ARISS.Recruit@verizon.net

[ANS thanks ARRL, ARISS, and AMSAT for the above information]

Dayton Hamvention Satellite Demonstration Area Videos Posted

Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK recorded three videos of satellite passes that were worked from the AMSAT demonstration station at last weekend's 2012 Dayton Hamvention.

The videos are now available on Patrick's YouTube channel.

Two of the three videos were from VO-52 passes last Friday (18 May) and Saturday (19 May). Later on Saturday, the third video from an SO-50 pass was recorded.

You will see Keith Pugh, W5IU; Doug Papay, KD8CAO, and Roger Ley, WA9PZL taking care of the antenna. Keith□s equipment is used for the demonstration station is two Yaesu FT-817s, two homebrew antennas (3-element 2m Yagi, 6-element 70cm Yagi), and a laptop running SatPC32 to control the radios. The radios and laptop are powered from a large 12V battery.

[ANS thanks Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK for the above information]

UKube-1 is Taking Shape

AMSAT-UK is reporting UKube-1, the UK Space Agency□s first Cubesat mission, has reached an important milestone. Two payloads have now undergone pre-integration testing at Clyde Space□s facilities in Glasgow.

UKube-1, is a collaboration between the UK Space Agency, industry and academia. Open University payload C3D and University of Bath payload TOPCAT were the first of the four payloads selected to be tested. These workshops provided the first opportunity to carry out physical and functional testing between the protoflight payloads and platform subsystems.

The tests confirmed physical, electrical and operational interfaces between the subsystems. The tests represent the successful handover to flight integration and delivery from the interface emulator (supplied to payload teams by Clyde Space at the start of the program to facilitate rapid parallel development of subsystems).

C3D is a small imager which will take pictures of the earth and investigate radiation damage effects in space. It uses new sensor technology developed for space conditions.

TOPCAT (Topside Ionosphere Computer Assisted Tomography) will measure space weather conditions to inform users of the Global Positioning System (GPS) users using a dual-frequency GPS receiver designed especially for use in space.

With the remaining payloads due to be tested over the coming few weeks, the program continues confidently towards full integration in July.

UKube-1 will also take an educational subsystem called FUNcube, developed by the voluntary organisation AMSAT-UK, to encourage young people to learn about radio, space, physics and electronics. It contains a 1200 bps BPSK telemetry beacon and a 435/145 MHz linear transponder.

See these links to AMSAT-UK for more information:

UKube-1 on BBC TV http://www.uk.amsat.org/5983

UKube-1 to launch in 2013 http://www.uk.amsat.org/5933

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Listen to HORYU-2 on the Web

Andrei YO8SSQ and Cezar YO8TLC have made available a web based receiver to enable listeners to hear the new amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 when it□s within range of Romania.

The WebSDR receiver is located at the Astronomical Observatory Department of □Stefan cel Mare□ University in Suceava, Romania, latitude 47.6417N longitude 26.2453E, grid locator KN37cp. The height ASL is 350m.

The hardware consists of two SDR receivers which are fed into 48 kHz sound cards on an AMD Sempron 2600+ computer running Vector Linux.

The web page displays a track showing the current position of HORYU-2 and also provides coverage of the 3.5 MHz (80m) band.

Listen to the HORYU-2 and 80m WebSDR.

More information about HORYU-2 437.375 MHz (+/- 9 kHz Doppler shift).

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

North America Rare Grid EK69 Activation From Cayo Culebra Island

Members of the Radioclub Cancun will be active as 4A3RCC from Cayo Culebra Island, Mexico (NA-200) between June 1-3. Activity will be on 80-6 meters and possibly the Satellites. Special attention will be on 6m. Operators include: Jose Angel, XE3PP; Guillermo, XE3RA; Zalo, XE3N; Julio, XE3PHM; Jorge, XE3PBL; and Julio, XE3JMA.

Cayo Culebra is located on Reserve of Biosphere of Siaan Ka'an.

For more details, see the Radioclub Cancun Web page.

The main contact is Jose Angel Yanez, XE3PP; Presidente / President

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[ANS thanks the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1063 for the above information]

Satellite Operations Planned for Worldwide Museum Ships Weekend

Museum Ships Weekend Coming Up June 2-3, 2012

by Allen F. Mattis, N5AFV, n5afv at amsat.org

The worldwide Museum Ships Weekend Event (MSWE) will be held for two days, June 2-3, 2012. Last year 83 ships in 13 countries around the world participated in the event. Amateur radio operators make special event contacts from these museum ships on all amateur radio bands with most of the contacts taking place on the HF bands. In the past

several years only two or three museum ships in North America have made satellite contacts during the event.

This year a number of Houston area AMSAT members, W5ACM, N5AFV and WC5WM, will participate with the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (BVARC) operating club station KK5W from Seawolf Park on Pelican Island in Galveston, Texas. Seawolf Park is home to two Second World War vintage museum ships - the destroyer escort USS Stewart (DE-238) and the submarine USS Cavalla (SS-244). As a result, a contact with KK5W counts for two ships. Amateur radio operators who make contacts with 15 or more ships qualify for a handsome certificate.

The BVARC KK5W station plans to operate the afternoon passes of AO-27 and FO-29 on Saturday June 2nd and hope other AMSAT members will be operating from other ships. This will be their fifth year participating in the MSWE and hope to make their first MSWE satellite contact with another museum ship this year.

If any AMSAT members are interested in this event they may visit the MSWE website to find out if any museum ships near them are participating.

The Houston area based Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club will celebrate its fifth year of participation in the annual Museum Ships Weekend Event, June 2-3, 2012 by offering a special commemorative certificate to amateur stations who contact all five Texas Based Museum ships during the event.

The five museum ships and their call signs include:

The submarine USS Cavalla and Destroyer Escort USS Stewart (KK5W) in Galveston, TexasThe Tall Ship Elissa (N5E) also in GalvestonThe Battleship USS Texas (NA5DV), in La Porte TexasThe Aircraft Carrier USS Lexington (W5LEX) in Corpus Christi, Texas

To earn the Texas Navy Certificate, amateur stations must submit proof of contact with all five Texas Museum ships to QSL Manager, KK5W along with a #10 SASE. The address is in QRZ.com.

Museum Ships Weekend is an annual operating event sponsored worldwide by the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station with more than 90 ships participating this year. ☐We decided to put in a special Texastwist to the event to commemorate our five years of taking part☐, said Ron Litt, K5HM, one of the Event Coordinators.

The Texas Navy Certificate is a cooperative effort between four different area clubs, In addition to the Brazos Valley club, members of the Battleship Texas Amateur Radio Station, The Tidelands Amateur Radio Society and the South Texas Amateur Radio Club are participating as well.

For more information contact: Ron Litt, K5HM; K5HM@arrl.net

[ANS thanks Allen Mattis, N5AFV for the above information]

High Altitude Balloon Crossband Repeater Payload Northeast USA

Amateur radio operators in New England and northern Atlantic coast in the US and Canada are invited to listen and operate via the crossband repeater payload on a high altitude balloon flight from Hermon, Maine. Launch is planned for June 2, 2012 at about 0830 EDT (UTC-4) by members of the Pine State Amateur Radio Club as one of the events

during the 25th Annual Bangor Hamfest at Hermon High School. The club is working with the University of Maine Electrical and Computer Engineering Department to plan and execute the flight.

The crossband repeater frequencies are:

Uplink: 147.570 MHz

Downlink: 446.100 MHz

The payload will also include APRS for position and altitude tracking. University of Maine tracking information can be found at the University of Maine website.

Coverage for the VHF/UHF repeater is estimated to be more than 450 miles. Stations as far away as western New York, Long Island, all of New England, and Maritime Canada should be able to work it.

The PSARC High Altitude Balloon team will award a certificate for the station furthest away from the balloon to make contact through the repeater. Please join in to help set a distance record for the repeater.

The latest launch information and more details are available on-line:

http://www.n1me.org/Hamfest.php

http://eece.maine.edu/umhab/ (which will be updated shortly before the launch.)

[ANS thanks Steve Jordan, KD1OM, President PSARC and Stuart Ballinger, WA2BSS for the above information]

ARISS Status - 21 May 2012

1. ARISS International Team Meeting Held

The ARISS International Team monthly meeting was held on May 15. Discussions included a status of the Ham TV project. Minutes have been posted.

2. Astronaut Training Status

Chris Hadfield, KC5RNJ/VA3OOG and Thomas Marshburn, KE5HOC, both slated to fly with Expedition 34, acquired their preflight training during a session on May 14. Alexander Gerst, KF5ONO (Expedition 40) took his introductory/

basic operations class on May 9.

Kevin Ford, KF5GPP is scheduled for a preflight session on May 22. He is scheduled to launch with the Expedition 33 crew in October 2012.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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Nominations for the 2012 amateur radio newsline young ham of the year close may 30

Posted: 26 May 2012 10:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347737-Nominations-for-the-2012-amateur-radio-newsline-young-ham-of-the-year-close-may-30&goto=newpost

A Quick Note From The Amateur Radio Newsline

NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2012 AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR CLOSE MAY 30

Nominations for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award must be postmarked no later than midnight May 30th. If you know of a deserving teen or pre-teen, age 18 or younger, please go to www.arnewsline.org/yhoty -- download the nominating form ☐ read its simple instructions ☐ fill it out and send it to the address listed on it.

The "Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award" is presented annually to a United States or Canadian licensed Radio Amateur who is 18 years of age or younger and who has provided outstanding service to the nation, his community or the betterment of the state of the art in communications through the Amateur Radio hobby/service.

The award is open to any FCC licensed Amateur Radio operator residing in the United States or its possessions or Industry Canada licensed radio

amateur residing in the Canadian provinces who is aged 18 and younger and who has used Amateur Radio to significantly contribute to the benefit of the service, to the state of the communications art, and/or to their community or their nation.

All nominations must be submitted before May 30 of any given calendar year on an official application and accompanied by verification materials. These nominating applications are available for electronic download from at this site at www.arnewsline.org/yhoty.

The current (as of 2012) "Young Ham of the Year Judging Committee" is chaired by Mark Abramowicz, NT3V: with members Rich Moseson,, W2VU; Brian Mileshowsky, N5ZGT; Larry Wolfgang, WR1B and Bill Morine, N2COP. Todd Hitzeroth, N6ZXJ continues as an Alternate Judge.

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can be submitted electronically via e-mail to newsline@arnewsline.org

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866. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 30 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-30 16:27:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043ff4a4e904c1436cdd@google.com>
Source record: 2933
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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High Altitude Balloon Crossband Repeater Payload Northeast USA

Posted: 28 May 2012 01:30 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?347939-High-Altitude-Balloon-Crossband-Repeater-Payload-Northeast-USA&goto=newpost

High Altitude Balloon Crossband Repeater Payload Northeast USA

Amateur radio operators in New England and northern Atlantic coast in the
US and Canada are invited to listen and operate via the crossband repeater
payload on a high altitude balloon flight from Hermon, Maine.

Launch is planned for June 2, 2012 at about 0830 EDT (UTC-4) by members of
the Pine State Amateur Radio Club as one of the events during the 25th
Annual Bangor Hamfest at Hermon High School.

The club is working with the University of Maine Electrical and Computer
Engineering Department to plan and execute the flight.

The crossband repeater frequencies are:

Uplink: 147.570 MHz

Downlink: 446.100 MHz

The payload will also include APRS for position and altitude tracking.
University of Maine tracking information can be found at:

http://eece.maine.edu/umhab/

Coverage for the VHF/UHF repeater is estimated to be more than 450

miles. Stations as far away as western New York, Long Island, all of New
England, and Maritime Canada should be able to work it.

The PSARC High Altitude Balloon team will award a certificate for the
station furthest away from the balloon to make contact through the
repeater. Please join in to help set a distance record for the repeater.

The latest launch information and more details are available on-line:

http://www.n1me.org/Hamfest.php

http://eece.maine.edu/umhab/ (which will be updated shortly before

the launch.)

Steve Jordan, KD1OM,

President PSARC and

Stuart Ballinger, WA2BSS

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867. eHam.net News for Wednesday 30 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-30 22:34:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403ef2a948704c1488c46@google.com>
Source record: 2934
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Keeping the Lines of Communication Open at Banner Communications:

Posted: 29 May 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28393

The idea of communicating through two-way radios is enough to excite most people's inner child, but there's a lot more that Banner Communications and Electronics offers. "We have regular, old 'Smokey and the Bandit' type stuff," said John Pekarek, Banner Communications' new owner. The business also sells cellular signal boosters, pagers, and voice mail options. They have a radio tower on Banner Mountain. They also do in-house repairs, including repairing radios from firehouses and police stations that have been sent from all over the country. "It's something that people take for granted -- communication," said Pekarek. "It breaks down fast -- people wonder what's going on when there's no communication." Keeping communication viable is an important goal for Pekarek. He's worked at Banner Communications since he was in high school, 13 years ago. Pekarek also does electronic work for the local Ham radio club; he got his Ham radio license when he was 15 years old.

868. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-31 01:15:18 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <97f5c9d8-4974-44a7-b457-e4e0770cc131@t2g2000pbl.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2935

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

869. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 30 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-31 02:44:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61385a0e3aef04c14c0ab4@google.com>
Source record: 2936
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Free radio classes offered - Worthington Daily Globe

Posted: 30 May 2012 07:27 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH7TEYCPICBDc6jmH6wLlLLycfb2A&url=http://www.dglobe.com/event/article/id/57585/

Free radio classes offered
Worthington Daily Globe
WORTHINGTON — The Worthington Amateur Radio Club and Worthington Civil Air Patrol are offering a free technician radio class, which begins at 6:30 pm Wednesday at the Civil Air Patrol Building at the Worthington Airport and continues June 7, 13, ...

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NASA Astronaut Hams It Up In Oregon - Sacramento Bee

Posted: 30 May 2012 03:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE5hoLAg4PzLRq_zlfjiSrsVdV3HA&url=http://www.sacbee.com/2012/05/29/4523826/nasa-astronaut-hams-it-up-in-oregon.html

NASA Astronaut Hams It Up In Oregon
Sacramento Bee
During his presentation, Barratt (handle KDMIJ) will discuss his most recent spaceflight mission, living aboard the station and the use of ham radio on the orbiting laboratory. The presentation begins at 8:30 pm PDT at the Seaside Civic and Convention ...

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NASA astronaut to speak at Sea-Pac Convention in Seaside - Seaside Signal

Posted: 30 May 2012 09:43 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHtY5qebiLLsrEizKBs5AnD3odX9g&url=http://www.seasidesignal.com/news/article_5505d99c-aa6f-11e1-b440-001a4bcf887a.html

Oregon Coast Beach Connection
NASA astronaut to speak at Sea-Pac Convention in Seaside
Seaside Signal
During his presentation, Barratt (amateur call sign KD7MIJ) will discuss his most recent spaceflight mission, living aboard the station and the use of ham radio on the orbiting laboratory. The presentation begins at 8:30 pm at the Seaside Civic and ...

NASA Astronaut Lands on Oregon Coast, Speaks at ConventionOregon Coast Beach Connection

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W6G Salutes Golden Gate Anniversary - Radio World

Posted: 30 May 2012 10:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH1TIvxjce9Ce3R-aeP4O9JDvf0wQ&url=http://www.rwonline.com/article/wg-salutes-golden-gate-anniversary/213684

W6G Salutes Golden Gate Anniversary
Radio World
The San Francisco Amateur Radio Club helped mark the 75th anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge by contacting other amateur radio operators this Memorial Day weekend. Working with the California Historical Society, the club operated on ...

and more

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American Radio Relay League National Field Day - Historic City News

Posted: 30 May 2012 06:50 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFSMMf4E10MGr-_hngKDn_snTDgPQ&url=http://www.historiccity.com/2012/staugustine/news/florida/american-radio-relay-league-national-field-day-26569

American Radio Relay League National Field Day
Historic City News
The simulated emergency, performed by FCC licensed Ham Radio operators, will be open to the public as part of National Field Day events being conducted by the American Radio Relay League. Tours of the operation at 320 South Flagler Avenue in Flagler ...

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Radio, electronics show Sunday - MyWebTimes.com

Posted: 30 May 2012 03:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHBC95E1JWStgkWdDMRbVtNUfR-4A&url=http://mywebtimes.com/ottnews/archives/ottawa/display.php?id%3D456736

Radio, electronics show Sunday
MyWebTimes.com
There also is an opportunity to qualify for a HAM radio license. American Radio Relay League volunteer examining testing will take place from 9:30 to 11 am Admission is $8. A grand prize cash drawing will take place at 2 pm and there will be ...

870. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 31 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-31 06:45:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ee528e91704c14f6b34@google.com>
Source record: 2937
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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8th Annual MCARC Hamfest

Posted: 29 May 2012 03:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348168-8th-Annual-MCARC-Hamfest&goto=newpost

8th Annual MCARC Hamfest

WHEN: July 21st, 2012, 7:00AM-12:00 Noon

WHERE: Athens Regional Park, Athens, TN

(I-75 Exit 49, Go east 1/2 mile on Hwy 30 toward Athens, Athens Regional
Park on right.)

TALK IN: 147.060 (-) 141.3 or 145.150 (-) 141.3 (Repeaters are linked)

NEWSFLASH !!!!

The hamfest has moved... but still in the same park!

We have secured the McMinn County Agricultural Expo Center, which is
located off the rear of the Athens Regional Park.

We will now have 31,000 sq. feet under roof! This is a 200 ft X 125 foot
open shed. Yes, dealers, reserve your spot NOW!

Get in on the very first year in this new location!

AND... no more parking on top of the hill and walking down to the fest!

Everything is on one level! All graveled area.

AND... LARGER OUTDOOR TAILGATE AREA!

The lot area is probably on the order of 8 times larger than the old site.

ALL SPACES THIS YEAR WILL BE $5 per space!

See http://www.mcminnarc.com/fest/fest.html for more info!

871. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-31 07:04:20 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201205310704.q4V743ce004329@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2938
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/ WEEK 22 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-05-30
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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With great sadness I just happened to learn that Joel F6FHP passed away yesterday evening.
No further information is known at the moment.
This is yet another bad news for the EME community with another great OP becoming a SK.
To my regret we have never met personally but over some 35 years we still contacted one
another every now and then, be it via moon or in earlier years only via tropo and meteor
scatter.
Repose en paix, mon cher ami!

Source; Bernd DF2ZC via Moon Net

In behalf of the MMM team condolences to the family members of F6FHP. We lost a great
DX-er.

Interesting link for meteorradar:

http://www.sgo.fi/Projects/SLICE/realtime

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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**DXCC: 5X: Oeganda; square KJ60; start 2012-05-23

Moonbounce from Uganda, 5X1EME, KJ60GH

Hello MMM

Eight day on the moon

Today we did a safari, trying to shoot some elephants. Shooting pictures off course...
We saw quite a lot wild animals, apes, chimpanzees, hyenas, zebras, ostriches, buffaloes,
a hippopotamus and so on. Very nice. e also bought some craft as a souvenir. On big market
everyone is selling the same stuff so after having seen one you know them all. Most of the
drafs
were made in China... At the end of the afternoon Rene taught our maid how to cook
spaghetti.
She never had seen minced beef before in her life so she wanted to cook it into water.
We saved our dinner by telling her step by step how to make it.
Today the very sad news came that Joel F6FHP died. In honour to him we transmitted several
periods
in both polarities "RIP F6FHP 73". Requiescat in pace amice. Repose en paix.
It's getting tough to work new ones. Everyone seems to have worked us by now.
At the end of this day (we made 9 QSO's on two meters), our total now is 275 QSO's on 144
MHz and 9 QSO on 432 MHz.
We will be QRV tomorrow from moonrise to moonset (as long as there are customers and we
don't have other duties)
on 144.134 MHz, 5X1EME 1st. Just when the common window with the USA started we had a
powerfailure again... Can't help it,
frustrating indeed...

We uploaded the log and uploaded some new pictures, see http://www.emelogger.com/uganda
under log and multimedia.

All QSL via PA3CEE

Don't miss the new pictures!

73 Atleticoteam
Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE

SOURCE:Rene PE1L & Eeltje PA3CEE direct to MMM

After some very successfull DXpeditions to the Gambia past year
(C56EME with 361 inits on 144 MHz, a worldrecord, and 11 inits om 432 MHz),
Bonaire (PJ4X) and Curacao (PJ2/PE1L), Rene, PE1L will now try again to make
Moonbounce QSO's from Uganda on 144 MHz and 432 MHz. Uganda the pearl of Africa.
This time Eltje PA3CEE will join the party again. He was also joining in
Kenya (5Z4EME 2009), Mauritius (3B8EME 2010) and the Gambia (C56EME 2011).
Don't change a winning team!
We will be QRV moonbounce 2 meter as 5X1EME, a special moonbounce permit is requested.
If all ok we will have a small 70cm setup with us.

>From May 25th (Eltjes birthday!) 5X1EME will be active
from Uganda on 144 MHz moonbounce. The locator will be KJ60gh, near Kampala on the equator.

The plan is to leave May 21st and build up the station before the weekend. It's just
the two of us but we know what we are doing. It's a hard job to get the license there.
Callsign is still a bit insecure but we have good faith in obtaining 5X1EME.
We want to be active at least during two whole weekends when there is
good activity in combination with good moon conditions.
Last operation presumably June 3rd.

Internet possibility is unsure but we try to send at least once a day a update via MoonNet,
MMMonVHF and our mailinglist.
If internet will be low, we will try (one way) communication through
Twitter: http://twitter.com/#!/PA3CEE and
http://twitter.com/AtleticoTeamExp in order to inform with short messages.

Frequency:
We always TX and RX 144.134 MHz
We use 1 minute periods and we will TX always first.

Setup:
2 x 8 Xpol yagi
400 watt amplifier and a low NF preamp (WA2ODO)

Welcome to Uganda moonbounce site! http://www.emelogger.com/uganda

This is our fourth DXpedition to Africa. Africa came into our blood.
We have to come back as often as possible. We can't resist....

SOURCE: Rene PE1L and Eltje PA3CEE direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F: France ; square JN14; start 2012-06-02 **

F/PA2CHR/p qev from JN14BU begin of June

During my summer holiday I will be QRV on Saturday 2
June and (if good activity) Sunday 3 June from a
hilltop in Southern France.
This is not a real DX-pedition, just some hours fun.
If you need JN14 locator pse let me know, maybe we
can arrange a sked.

Station 144 MHz: FT857, 150W. PA and 10el.
Station 432 Mhz: FT857, 100W. PA and 21el.

Best 73's

SOURCE: tnx to Chris, PA2CHR, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
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** DXCC: SP : Poland ; square JO80 **

Hello everyone,

Because of the Global Astronomy Month 2012, a special call sign
SN2012GAM appear on the EME bands. We are going to work on European EME
Contest on 13cm. We are cordially invite you to take a QSO with this
special call sign, which will working form the EME Group Klodzko
(SP6OPN) station located in Poland.

73, vy
SP6JLW (Andy), SP3QFE (Armi)
and other operators of the EME Group in Klodzko (JO80jk).

SOURCE: Andrej, SP6JLW to MoonNet 2012-04-28

** DXCC: A5: Bhutan; square ????; start 2012-05-24 **

Zorro, JH1AJT (A5A, A51A), Ted, JJ1LIB (A52F), Aki, JA4EKO (A52GO),
Kazu, JH1OGX (A52KF) and Jon, KL2A (A52X), of the "Foundation for
Global Children" DX group will be QRV as A5A between May 24th and
June 6th. Planned activities are from 80 m - 6 m in SSB, CW, and
RTTY with 3 stations in parallel. They're hoping to provide many
DXers with this rare DXCC. QSL A5A via JH1AJT.
http://bhutan2012.com/

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

** DXCC: VP5: Turks and Caicos; square ????; start 2012-05-24 **

JH1BXH and JA1EAX will continue their activity until May 24th with
VP5/ prefixes, from 80 - 6 m in CW and SSB. QSLs via JH1BXH

SOURCE: DXNL 1781 - May 23, 2012

** DXCC: JT: Mongolia; square nn58; start 2012-06-01 **

JT0YAB and JT0YPS will be QRV from June 1th to June 4th from Mongolia; 50.113 MHz +/- QRM
Altai Tavan Bogd National Park. For QSL see QRZ.com

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP43; start 2012-06-08 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV as OH7UV from KP43RL with 100 W in 4 el.

There is a radia amateur summer meeting in Eastern Finland and their meight
be some activity on VHF and UHF too.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: I: Italy; square JN56; start 2012-06-09 **

Steffen DD0VF qrv from JN56RM as IN3/DD0VF in June

This year some mountain hiking in South Tyrol again.
I'll be QRV in the morning and evening for MS. Reasonable
good take off from QTF 40-60 and 180-290 (G/GW shall work
with some offset to south).
Rig: only 50W, 4 or 7el (depending on space of balkony)

I could be also QRV from abt 2500m asl for a few hours
(possible calls IN3/DD0VF, IW3/DD0VF, HB9/DD0VF)

Let me know if you still need JN56.

SOURCE: tnx to Steffen direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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WIANEWS - JUNE 3 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 03 2012.

We'll compress 3 days of Amateur radio into 8 minutes and give you a feel
for what you missed out on at the 2012 WIA AGM and Conference in Mildura.

THIS STORY AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 3 2012.

SA GETS LION SHARE OF SKA.

After nine years of sweat and tears by the South African and Australian SKA
site bid teams, the independent SKA Site Advisory Committee, identified by
consensus Africa as the preferred site but their recommendation was
overturned by the SKA Organization after complaints by we Australians,

It appears the SKA organization had difficulty coming to a final decision and
according to one of the members of the committee the atmosphere at the
meeting was heated and at times the group had to take a recess. The ultimate
outcome was that for the sake of inclusivity they agreed to consider
constructing one of the three SKA receiver components in Australia.

Two will be constructed in Africa.

(sarl-Southgate)

Community broadcasting service for South Australia's Goolwa community

The Goolwa community in South Australia will have a new long-term community radio service after the Australian Communications and Media Authority decided to allocate the licence to Radio Alexandrina Community Broadcasters Association Inc. (Alex FM).

Alex FM was one of two applicants for the Goolwa licence. The other was Fleurieu Christian Broadcasters Inc. (Spirit FM). The licence is initially for a period of five years, when the licensee must then apply for it to be renewed.

Alex FM proposes to represent the general community interest while Spirit FM had proposed to represent the Religious - Christian community interest.

The ACMA considered that Alex FM better demonstrated its capacity to provide the proposed service which would be more capable of meeting the existing and perceived future needs of the community.

(ACMA MEDIA)

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we'll compress 3 days of Amateur radio into 8 minutes and give you a feel for what you missed out on at the 2012 WIA AGM and Conference in Mildura.

For many arrivals in Mildura the first taste of hospitality was the airport arrival lounge where local amateurs were waiting to provide personal transport to accommodation. After check-in, registration was one stop in a whirlwind of meeting amateurs left, right and centre. Mal Brooks was handing out the registration packs together with a locally grown mandarin and maps to aid navigation through Mildura.

The Friday afternoon was topped off with a visit to the local boutique brewery pub where we sampled some local ales. A brisk walk around the corner and we were on the way to Settlers where the amateurs outnumbered the locals three to one, but they took it in their stride and dinner was on the way in the blink of an eye.

The buffet style meal was punctuated by local Balloon Pilot and all-round Scotsman, Alan Cameron who regaled several tall tales, some of which may have had a little help from the local brew.

Dinner was accompanied by local musicians who kept up a lively flow of song and music.

Breakfast the next morning was a social affair with amateurs making their way to the central dining hall where all manner of great food was available, and as food goes, Mildura kept up its end of the deal with great food the whole way through the weekend.

Afterwards a quick registration for the AGM - every current WIA member was presented with a blue voting card - not that we needed to vote on anything in the end, but being prepared is always par for the course.

VK3KI, WIA President Michael Owen, ran a tight ship and after opening the AGM celebrating 102 years of the Wireless Institute of Australia at 09:07 and the acceptance of apologies we stood for a minute silence to acknowledge the silent keys who passed in the last year. 65 WIA members and 55 further Amateurs, two Life Members among them.

The minutes of last year's AGM were accepted and the financial report was passed without comment.

New Directors were introduced and at 09:13 the AGM was all done and dusted.

Next item on the agenda was the annual awards and President's Commendations.

President's Commendations

Neil Husk VK6BDO

In recognition of his contribution to amateur radio and the Wireless Institute of Australia over many years, including supporting the WA Repeater Group and the WIA news broadcasts, but most particularly his ongoing support of the education of potential amateurs including his role in the foundation of HAM college and his role training and assessing since then.

Keith Bainbridge VK6XH, VK6EME, VK6RK

In recognition of his contribution to the Wireless Institute of Australia and amateur radio over many years including serving as a member of the Council of the Wireless Institute of Australia Western Australia Division and thereafter as a member and Chairman of the WA Advisory Committee, his different roles in the Northern Corridor Radio Group, his compilation of notes for Amateur Radio magazine, his support of the WIA Awards program and his untiring support and promotion of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

Onno Benschop VK6FLAB

In recognition of his active participation in various aspects of amateur radio during his first year as a licenced radio amateur.

David McAulay VK3EW

For his valuable ongoing contribution to the WIA's Awards Committee.

Alek Petkovic VK6APK

For his valuable ongoing contribution to the WIA's Awards Committee.

President's Commendations to Nominated Assessors
Roger Cordukes VK4CD
Peter Willmott VK3TQ
Terence Ryeland VK2UX
Peter Watts VK5ZFW
Ronald Bertrand VK2DQ

Larry Lindsay VK2CLL
Peter Dowde VK7PD
Colin Pomroy VK3BLE
Craig Cook VK3CMC
Trevor Quick VK5ATQ
Lyle Dobbs VK4LM
Trevor Connell VK8CO
Laurie Pritchard VK4BLE
Dale McCarthy VK4DMC
Tony LaMacchia VK2BTL
Eric Van De Weyer VK2VE
Ian Ellings VK7QF
Philip Adams VK3JNI
Paul Hoffmann VK5PH
Owen Clarke VK3BC
Steven Tregear VK3TSR
Scott Habgood VK2UBQ
Kathi Suminer VK6KTS
Gail Lidden-Sandford VK4ION

In recognition of their valuable contribution to amateur radio and the Wireless Institute of Australia as a Nominated Assessor - a role requiring specific qualifications and central to the effective operation of the WIA Exam Service.

Higginbotham Award:

David Clegg VK5KC

In recognition of his contribution to amateur radio and the Wireless Institute of Australia including his support of the North East Radio Club and as a very active Secretary and now President of the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society and as a member of the South Australian Advisory Committee and his untiring support of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

Amateur Radio Technical Award:

James (Jim) Tregellas VK5JST for his articles 'An introduction to stepper motors' and 'Building an 80 metre magnetic loop antenna for your attic', published in the May, July and August 2011 issues of Amateur Radio.

Al Shawsmith Award for journalism:

Justin Giles-Clark VK7TW for his article 'Modern communications technologies - a quick Centenary review and the future', published in the December 2011 issues of Amateur Radio.

The Chris Jones Award;

Gavin Reibelt VK4ZZ
(commendation not provided here)

The Ron Wilkinson Award:

Dale Hughes VK1DSH for his contribution to amateur radio in representing the amateur service in the preparation for WRC-12 and as a member of the Australian delegation to the APG and the WRC and his long history of technically excellent articles published in Amateur Radio magazine.

G. A. Taylor Medal:

Peter Young VK3MV
(commendation not provided here)

After the awards, we started the Open Forum Discussion.

Discussions were productive and engaging about many issues close to the heart of Amateur Radio, including several proposals to promote our hobby to new audiences and the future of the club grant scheme.

There was discussion about how successful the club grant scheme had been, whether it was too confining in its requirements - one example from the floor was that it should be possible for the club-grant scheme to be used to buy tins of paint because it might well be that this would be the most important thing for a club to spend money on and one member stood to ask for exactly that - having just moved into a hall that needed more than some TLC. During morning tea - which included several nice pastries - several discussions continued on and the topic of promotion of the hobby was discussed.

After lunch we had several great presentations, details will be available on http://wia.org.au

We saw a demonstration of Amateur TV, saw satellites launched into space, heard about how audio chirps help determine propagation and saw amazing footage and inventiveness with project Horus.

Pre-dinner drinks were enjoyed by some, but yours truly was putting together the announcement for the conference next year in VK6 and you'll hear more about that in the news next week.

Dinner was accompanied by classical music and a classic speaker who had a lifetime in media and commercial broadcast radio and had many tales to tell about radio in Mildura.

For early risers the next morning, there was the opportunity to witness two Horus launches, weather balloons with electronic payloads. One of the launches had a repeater as a pay-load and many amateurs used it to check-in with VK3WIA.

Meanwhile, the festivities continued on the Paddle Ship Mundoo - where among the food and fun we had a live shack operating the call-sign VK102WIA - try saying that in a hurry. Many amateurs took the opportunity to operate the station and QSO's were had with New Zealand, VK6 and Russia. At several times signal reports were quite strong but some detective work determined that a few hams decided to make call-backs from the boat - anything for a QSL card.

After lunch and a group photo we made our way to the QTH of Noel Ferguson VK3FI who opened up his home and his shack for all of us to be inspired by. A life-time of building is visible in Noel's shack and his attention to

detail comes with a dry wit which saw the local bag-pipers come by to annoy the President of the Sunraysia Radio Group. The BBQ was of the same high standard that Mildura offered throughout and it was topped off with a masterfully called raffle, under the auspices of Ray VK3HSR.

And that's how it ended, laughing into the distance. What an experience!

Next year we'll have to put on a great show to top this one.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

The Caboolture Radio Club, call sign VK4QD, will be celebrating 100 Years of the WIA in Queensland from Saturday to Monday, 16th to 18th June using the special event call sign VK100WIQ. The operation will be from the clubhouse located at 169 Smiths Road, Caboolture.

We will be also be holding a "Grand" re-opening on Saturday 16th June from 11am to 3pm to celebrate our recently renovated clubhouse. This is a great opportunity to check out our upgraded facilities and the cool new custom-made consoles while the VK100WIQ operation is in full swing.

Hope to see you!

73, Peter VK4QC, Secretary

Calling all merry makers. You are cordially invited to RES Reunion of facilitators, students, past students and friends and partners.

All welcome.

Saturday 9th June 2012

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10 AM onwards or until we drop.

You will need to bring all food, and beverages BBQ's and restrooms are available.

Please bring out door chairs if you wish to be more comfortable.

Directions will be available of 146.7 MHz (Gold Coast Repeater) and 146.5 Simplex from 9.00 AM onwards.

Please RSVP via email to ron@res.net.au. If you RSVP then we will be able to advise you of any changes such as postponements due to bad weather.

FREE - Boot Sale - fill your boot - sell your junk to others - and buy some of theirs.

Fox Hunt - $5 entry - monetary prize for winner AND prizes for 2nd and 3rd.

Go to web site www.ron.so

(Peter VK4KTX)

VK5

South East Radio Group Convention

This is John VK5DJ for the South East Radio Group.

The South East Radio Group's 48th Annual Convention will be held next Saturday and Sunday, 9th and 10th June at Mount Gambier.
That's next weekend.

Last year the hall was open for just one day although the Australian Fox Hunting Championship was run over its usual two days. Many comments were received about wanting the 2 day convention back and we are pleased that we have been able go back to the 2 day format. The program is on the website now. Just type "SERG Convention" into Google.

The first event is the Sniffer Hunt at 11.00AM on Saturday. Of course the famous night fox hunt will be held that evening and again the organisers will do their best to trick the foxes. A special challenge is promised and competitors will need to be on their toes. If you've never seen fox hunting in action here's your big chance to see how experts and beginners do it and have huge fun in the process.

The venue for the Home Brew Competition and the Trading tables is the headquarters of the 1st Mount Gambier Scout Group in Margaret Street, Mount Gambier. Entry Fee for the two days is only $5.00. The hall opens at midday on Saturday and 9:00AM on Sunday, there are hourly door prizes.

Our Chef from last year has been convinced to return, so catering will be available at the venue.

Presentations will be at the SERG Club Rooms in the Reidy Park Centre followed by the post-convention BBQ at the SERG clubrooms.

The Home brew competition is a highlight with prizes provided by a generous anonymous amateur, so bring along that project you've been working on. The project can be simple or complicated. There are several sections that cater for the beginner and the expert.

2012 is a special year for the club as it's also the South East Radio Group's fiftieth birthday so come along next weekend and help us celebrate.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

More Italian Earthquakes

Two additional earthquakes have struck the Emilia Romagna region of Italy with heavy losses in the Parmesan cheese industry and 16 deaths have been reported.

Hundreds were injured when the 5.8-magnitude earthquake shook northern Italy on Tuesday, forced thousands of people from their homes, and came nine days after the 6.0 magnitude quake killed seven.

Among the ongoing rescue and recovery workers are radio amateurs from the Raggruppamento Nazionale Radiocomunicazioni Emergenza, and RNRE, using both HF and VHF.

Tuesday's quake was followed by dozens of aftershocks with one recorded at 5.6 magnitude in the industrial and densely populated area.

Some historical buildings including churches have been further damaged by the latest shakes, particularly in the San Felice sul Panaro and Mirandola districts.

IARU Region 1 Emergency Coordinator Greg Mossop G0DUB reports that RNRE have a mobile unit with five radio amateurs in the area and two more units are ready to go when requested.

This follows a request from the Italian Civil Protection Department. The HF frequency 7060kHz is in use by IQ1HQ at the RNRE Headquarters and IQ0TK from the Civil Protection Department in Rome. VHF links are on 145.200MHz.

Please keep the frequency of 7060kHz clear. RNRE can also be found in Google English on http://tinyurl.com/RNRE-Italy

(Jim Linton VK3PC. Chairman IARU Region 3, Disaster Communications Committee, acknowledging the input from Greg Mossop G0DUB IARU Region 1 Emergency Communications Co-Ordinator)

Radio transmitter causes bomb scare

The BBC report that a suspicious device triggered a bomb alert in Surrey.

BBC News say:
The device was found after reports of suspicious activity near the Maultway, Camberley at about 10:00 BST on Monday.

The Maultway and roads near the Cheylesmore Park estate were closed for about four hours.

Following examination by army bomb disposal experts Surrey police said "The unit is now described as being a transmitter or repeater for a citizen or pirate band radio station."

[Presumably by pirate band they are referring to 88-108 MHz?]

Read the full story at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-surrey-18148395

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RSGB

Special centenary callsign for WIA

2012 is the Centenary of the Wireless Institute of Australia
being established in the State of Queensland.

A special Centenary callsign, VK100WIQ, will be activated
from 1st June through to 31st July by way of the WIA
affiliated radio clubs in Queensland. There is also a
Centenary QSL card and a Centenary award available.

Details of the QSL card and award can be found at
www.wia.org.au

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

>From the TARC Inc. in Townsville we learn of an activation of VI4XQA at
Mareeba, a special event station at the Mareeba Heritage Centre Saturday
9th June. The event station will be using either special call VI4XQA, or
VK4XQA and will be operating adjacent to the heritage display of the
first Amateur Radio station in Queensland, the Marcus Brimms XQA Spark
Station.

(Townsville and VK4ZZ newsletter of TARC)

Coventry Amateur Radio Society have GB 50 CCC on the air until 19th June for
the Coventry Cathedral Celebration.

GB 0 TLR Railways on the Air

Southgate Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event station for
the Railways on the Air event on 22nd and 23rd of September.

This is being run in conjunction with the North London Model Engineering
Society at the Tyttenhanger Light Railway site near London Colney,
Hertfordshire using call sign GB0TLR, the same callsign as used last year
and operating on 20, 40 and 80 metres.

T6JM

That station from Afghanistan CT1FKN who is signing T6JM is about to depart
mid-June. T6JM is mainly QRV on 20m SSB and BPSK31.
QSL T6JM to CT1KFN his home call.

Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ 2 A from the
Isle of Jersey during the Radio Society of Great Britain's'
Islands on the Air Contest.

This event taking place July 28 and 29.

QSL direct to GJ 3 DVC.

European Football Championship 2012 on the AIR

EFC 2012 is an on-the-air activity which promises to be a great deal of fun, organized by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs affiliated with PZK and UARL.

>From June 1st to July 5th 2012, there are numerous special event stations active on the air. They are operating concurrently with the 2012 European Football Championship, which this year is organized jointly by Poland and Ukraine.

There are two awards which can be earned during this period, as well as many interesting QSL cards and prizes.

More detailed information be found on website http://efc2012.pzk.org.pl

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DK9FN will once again return to Temotu Province
be active as H40FN between this December 22nd and January 7th of 2013.
QSL H40FN via HA8DD.

F4CYZ iS operational from Morocco as CN2YZ through years end. His activity will be from the city of Tangier especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site with a log-check. Its in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

South East Queensland ATV group tell us Martin VK4JVC has been working away on the SEQATV group Digital Television transmitter, if you are in the Deception Bay area close to Martin's QTH you may be able to pick up the low power test transmissions using standard digital TVs or desk top boxes able to tune manually tune 436 MHz

(Alan VK4NA)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

Cuba's Radio Hams get new Digimodes

With great pleasure I inform to the world community of amateur radio that after a national debate and then follow the legal avenues has been approved by the department authorized by the government the use of new digital modes for all Cuban hams.

The last legislation only allowed us to work in PSK31, QPSK31, AMTOR, PACKET and RTTY.

We can now work in Domino Contestia, Olivia, MFSK, JT65, almost all variants of PSK (BPSK, QPSK, PSK-R) among others.

And more importantly, it has set up a mechanism to apply for new digimodes by any hams, I have asked already some who were not authorized, including WSPR, JT6M, HSMM, PACTOR II and III, FSK441, among others.

Another important step is that they have authorized access to the FRC's internal network using packet radio nodes, and have authorized the use of packet gateways in cross bands (HF / VHF, etc.)

Cuban radio amateurs are pleased with this approval that puts us on a par with colleagues anywhere in the world.

3 from CO7WT
CU on HF on Digimodes !!!

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

The anniversary ILLW grabs imagination

The 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August has inspired many to register early with 32 countries and nearly 250 registered already.

Although this is just over half of the countries normally attracted by the event it is slightly ahead of expectations with ten weeks to go.

The weekend increases the public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for them to be preserved, promotes amateur radio and fosters international goodwill.

The event was started mainly by late Mike Dalrymple GM4SUC and the Ayr Amateur Radio Group in 1995 as the Northern Lighthouse Activity Weekend with stations at Scottish lighthouses. It quickly went international.

The third weekend in August coincides with the worldwide lighthouse open day organised by the Association of Lighthouse Keepers that sees public access to many of the featured lighthouses.

During the weekend a group or individual sets up an amateur station at or adjacent to a lighthouse, lightship or marine beacon that is listed.

To register, complete a short online form, read the event rules and have lots of fun. You will see complete statistics on past events, reports from previous years and ILLW are on Facebook too.

Visit the website at illw.net for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend held on August the 18th and 19th.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- NAVAL

NEW JERSEY CLUB TO ACTIVATE SUBMARINE RADIO STATION

The Nutley Amateur Radio Society, of Nutley New Jersey, has activated the radio room of World War II Submarine USS Ling. This as part of the world-wide Museum Ships Weekend THIS weekend, June 2nd and 3rd.
The Ling is a Balao class fleet submarine, measuring 312 feet and is a permanent museum ship, berthed on the Hackensack River New Jersey.

(ARNewsLine)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that tomorrow Monday June 4th the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's monthly News and Information Bulletin will be broadcast on a number of HF and VHF frequencies.

The principal HF transmissions will be on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz USB at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for the eastern states, and at 0200 UTC beamed westward for Western Australia.

Numerous local relays will take place on both VHF and lower HF frequencies, To find the times and frequencies for your area please visit the RAOTC website at www.raotc.org.au

Once again, that's www.raotc.org.au

Everyone, RAOTC Members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half hour of Old Timer news, information and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday June 4th.

73 from Clive VK6CSW.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360, 24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

BSA TO OFFER MORSE CODE INTERPRETER STRIP

For many years, Boy Scouts and Scouters of America have been able to earn an interpreter strip to wear on their uniforms.

This strip, worn on the uniform denotes proficiency in a foreign language or sign language.

Each language has its own strip (with the name of the language embroidered in that language), and some Scouts and Scouters wear more than one strip.

Now those hams involved with the Boy Scouts can show their proficiency in Morse code with a Morse code interpreter strip (with M-O-R-S-E spelled out in Morse code)

http://www.arrl.org/news/bsa-to-offer-morse-code-interpreter-strip

(arrl letter)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Emergency Agencies should work with Radio Amateurs

The Straits Times newspaper reports that the use of amateur radio in rescues should be promoted.

They say amateur radios could be the key to communicate with people in distress and, therefore, collaboration between government agencies and amateur radio users should be intensified.

They quote Malaysian Information Department director-general Ibrahim Abd Rahman as saying that integration between the two should be encouraged as it helped the agencies to build good rapport and teamwork spirit. He said agencies like the Fire and Rescue Department, Civil Defence Department (JPA3), police, Malaysian Red Crescent Society (MRCS), hospitals, Royal Malaysian Air Force and the Department of Civil Aviation should work together with amateur radio users.

Read the full story at
nst.com.my/nation/general/promote-use-of-amateur-radios-in-rescues-1.86066

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ROAR
ROTARIANS OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.ifroar.org
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rotmem@yahoogroups.com
nmclaren3@juno.com VK2IWT Secretary
Peter Lowe, VK3KCD ANZO VP
0645z - 0730z Anzo Net 7.118
0730z - 0830z International net 14.293

GW8TGS carry's Olympic torch

27th May, William Williams, GW8TGS was an Olympic Torchbearer as part of the team carrying the Flame through Aberystwyth from around 18.14 BST, arriving at Vicarage Fields half an hour later.

Having taken part in several charity runs and raising over £15,000 for charity, William, GW8TGS was nominated by the Rotary Club of Aberystwyth for his fund raising and his voluntary work. William says he felt honoured to be a part in this once-in-a-lifetime event.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- SUMMITS ON THE AIR
www.sotawatch.org
www.sota.org.uk

SOTA has now been operating in VK3 for 4 months, and awareness of the program continues to grow. Peter VK3PF joined the fray, activating Mt Ida VK3/VU-009 on the way up, along with Mt William VK3/VS-001 on his way back from the WIA AGM.

May has also seen a varied range of summits activated from One Tree Hill VK3/VS-036 near Ararat, Mt Beckworth VK3/VC-024 near Ballarat, Mt Cole VK3/VS-009 and Mt Buangor VK3/VS-003 which are in between Ararat and Ballarat.

There have been a few false starts in the month as well, but SOTA may end up with more than 10 activators before too long.

Most activations have been HF SSB, but a reasonable portion have been 2m FM. This is bringing out those who remember the days when there was more activity on 2m simplex frequencies, such as the national calling frequency 146.5 FM. DX in the month was mostly restricted to CW, but there was a W/VK contact on 40m, as well as a 20m SSB contact into G.

All activations in the month were QRP with operators using FT817s, but it is known that there are some kit builders out there. It is also known that some LiPos are being put together to power FT857s and IC706MkIIs so some higher power activations might be on the horizon for those eagerly chasing from Europe.

Wayne, VK3WAM, presented SOTA at the EMDRC, which was warmly received. The presentation was captured on video, and is available on Youtube at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JmdMMBNiUJA There was to be an additional presentation at FAMPARC yesterday morning Saturday June the 2nd.

SOTA Chasers were heard from VK7 and VK5, chasing contacts on VK3 summits, but some also made contacts into Europe and asked activators there for SOTA codes. A few VK1ers are looking on awaiting the day when their association will go live, but that is likely to still be a few months away. Perhaps VK5 will only be a few months behind that.

(Wayne VK3WAM)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JUN 8-11 VK4 cancelled ! FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast CANCELLED!!!!!!!!!

JUN 9-10 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club field day Port Macquarie.

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

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873. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 31 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-31 11:10:38 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8ff1c3b8a0085304c1531d4e@google.com>
Source record: 2940
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10-metre band report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cL_N6UKMzxA/may_31.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

'As different as chalk and cheese' is a good old-fashioned English
expression meaning extremely different in important aspects. Compare the
mid-week Wednesday list with the weekend. XX9E (Macau) and 6V7S (Senegal)
were top again during the week with A5A (Bhutan) and HK1NA (Columbia) top
in the contest

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Satellite operations planned for worldwide Museum Ships Weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TWTyNBbQUdA/museum_ships_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The worldwide Museum Ships Weekend Event (MSWE) will be held for two days,
June 2-3, 2012. Last year 83 ships in 13 countries around the world
participated in the event. Amateur radio operators make special event
contacts from these museum ships on all amateur radio bands with most of
the contacts taking place on the HF bands. In the past several years only
two or three museum ships in North America have made satellite contacts
during the event

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23cm band covered by GNSS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YorIbvz8ouA/23cm_band_covere_%20by_gnss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An article in the Microwave Journal shows that all of 1240-1300 MHz except
for one narrow gap will be used by global navigation satellite systems
(GNSS)

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EME 2012 Double Rooms

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gsAvxOT7r1w/eme_2012_double_rooms.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

EME2012 Conference bookings have exceeded expectations, so more deluxe
double rooms are being reserved for guests

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Worked All Continents Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m-cA2UgEeRo/worked_all_continents_award
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Many radio amateurs cut their DXing teeth on the Worked All Continents
award. This award recognizes contacts with all six continental areas of the
world, and is issued by the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)

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Final RTA dates announced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Er4sA-UhWHA/final_rta_dates_announced.h
tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The final Radio in Action Technology symposium dates have been announced

874. The ARRL Letter for May 31, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-31 18:37:33 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120531180543.657BA26CD5C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2941
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There will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>
on Thursday, May 31. The Audio News will return on Thursday, June 7.

==> FCC NEWS: FCC EXPANDS PART 95 MEDRADIO RULES TO ALLOW DEVICES IN
2360-2400 MHZ BAND

In a First Report and Order and a Further Notice of Proposed
Rulemaking (ET 08-59) released on May 24, the FCC decided to expand the
Part 95 Personal Radio Service rules to allow medical devices to
operate on a secondary basis in the 2360-2400 MHz band. These devices
-- called Medical Body Area Networks (MBAN) -- provide a way for health
care facilities to monitor their patients via wireless networks.
Because use of these frequencies will be on a secondary basis, MBAN
stations will not be allowed to cause interference to -- and must
accept interference from -- primary services, including radio amateurs
who operate on a primary basis in the 2390-2395 MHz and 2395-2400 MHz
bands. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-expands-part-95-medradio-rules-to-allow-devices
-in-2360-2400-mhz-band>.

==> MARS: HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE "URGES" MARS COORDINATION
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On May 18, the US House of Representatives approved HR 4310, The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013. This bill authorizes appropriations for military activities and prescribes military personnel strengths for Fiscal Year 2013. When the House Armed Services Committee sent the bill to the House, it included language in support of the Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS) and called for the three MARS branches -- Army, Air Force and Navy/Marine Corps -- to be brought under one umbrella. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/house-armed-services-committee-urges-mars-coordination>.

==> ON THE AIR: HAVE SOME FUN IN THE 2012 ARRL JUNE VHF QSO PARTY

There will be lots of RF generated on 6 meters and up the weekend of June 9-11 during the 2012 ARRL June VHF QSO Party. While many amateurs think of the VHF+ bands as a "local" band for public service, emergency communications or even a bit of fun on FM repeaters, weak-signal VHF+ enthusiasts know better. Even with a modest station, it's possible to work hundreds -- or even thousands -- of miles on the VHF bands during a good opening.

ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, is a big VHF enthusiast. "In more than 25 years of Amateur Radio, weak-signal work on 6 and 2 meters remains the most fun and intriguing activity I do," he said. "There is nothing like a good VHF opening -- with interesting propagation characteristics like Sporadic-E, tropospheric ducting, aurora and even meteor scatter and moonbounce -- VHF offers QSO opportunities that HF can never satisfy." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/have-some-fun-in-the-2012-arrl-june-vhf-qso-party>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: ANNOUNCING THE WINNERS OF THE 2012 QST VIDEO CONTEST

The votes have been tallied for the 2012 QST video contest and the winners chosen!

- First Place, Amateur: Erin King, AK4JG: Erin -- along with her mentor and members of the Columbus (Georgia) Amateur Radio Club (CARC <http://www.w4cvy.org/>) -- sent a weather balloon and a high-definition video camera to an altitude of over 90,000 feet. They tracked the balloon across the Georgia countryside using APRS and managed to recover the payload from the branches of a towering pine tree. The resulting video is nothing short of spectacular.
- Second Place, Amateur: Jim Wright, N2GXJ: Jim's video Discovering the Fun does an outstanding job of capturing the thrill of obtaining an Amateur Radio license and then discovering the pleasures of HF digital operating with PSK31. When Jim unfurls his ARRL DX Century Club certificate at the end of the video, you can't help but smile.
- Third Place, Amateur: Jared Gohlke, N4JMG: Jared chronicles a Rowan Amateur Radio Society (RARS <http://www.rowanars.org/>) transmitter hunt among the woods and cotton fields of North Carolina. The result is both informative and humorous. After watching this video you may want to try a "foxhunt" of your own!

- Professional: Gary Pearce, KN4AQ: Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, is a professional videographer and the creative force behind Amateur Radio Video News (ARVN <http://arvideonews.com/>). Gary took his equipment and crew to the 2012 Orlando Hamcation for a glimpse of one of the most popular Amateur Radio gatherings in the southeastern United States.

You can watch the winning videos in the digital edition of the July issue of QST when it becomes available in a few weeks. If you can't wait, enjoy the videos right now on the web <http://www.arrl.org/winners>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "All spheres, grown, ungrown, small, large, Suns, moons, planets <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8aK6k6tt1Z4>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers sank more than 28 points this week (nearly 26 percent) to 81.9, while the average daily solar flux declined more than 16 points to 111.6. No new sunspots appeared since May 25. The short term outlook is for lower solar activity, with the solar flux peaking around 120 on June 5-15 and July 1-12. The latest prediction has solar flux at 110 on May 31-June 2, 115 on June 3-4, 120 on June 5-15, then 115 on June 16-18, 110 on June 19-26 and 105 on June 27-28. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on May 31-June 2, then 10, 15, 18, 15 and 8 on June 3-7, 5 on June 8-11, 8 on June 12-13, 5 on June 14-17, and 15, 12 and 8 on June 18-20, and then back down to 5 on June 21-25. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, June 1. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Ralph Vaughan Williams' A Sea Symphony <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sea_Symphony> (II On the Beach at Night Alone), taken from Walt Whitman's Leaves of Grass <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass> (Book XIX <http://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Leaves_of_Grass/Book_XIX#On_the_Beach_at_Night_Alone>,
verse 8).

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- June 1 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder; HA3NS Sprint Memorial Contest
- June 2 -- Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
- June 2-3 -- Alabama QSO Party; Maritime QSO Party; 10-10 International Open Season PSK Contest; SEANET Contest
- June 5 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- June 8 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 9 -- Portugal Day Contest; Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB)
- June 9-10 -- DRCG Long Distance Contest (RTTY); VK Shires Contest; GACW WWSA CW DX Contest; REF DDFM 6 Meter Contest

- June 9-11 -- ARRL June VHF QSO Party
<http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party>
- June 13 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- June 13-14 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 1-3 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-3>,
Seaside, Oregon
- June 2 -- ARRL Georgia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-section-convention-atlanta-hamfest-1>,
Marietta, Georgia
- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>,
Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers,
Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville,
Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electro
nics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,

Portland, Oregon
- August 4 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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875. [DXNL] DX-NL 1782 (May 30, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-05-31 20:22:51 UTC
From: Fabian Kurz <dj1yfk@darc.de>
Message-ID: <20120531201825.GA14764@ampiainen.fkurz.net>
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7O, Yemen (Update):
The 706T-DXpedition is history, with a total of 162,029 QSOs.
The organizers are still asking for donations; QSLs can be requested
on their website.
http://www.yemen2012.com/sponsors.php
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=7O6T

A6, United Arab Emirates:
Tom, A6/DL2RMC, will be QRV from a hotel on Yas Island. This island
does not belong to AS-021, though! Activities will depend on the local
situation and his work load. He already acquired his license. QSL
via Homecall.

F, France:
After a dispute with his boss Guglielmo Marconi, Roberto Clemens
Galletti di Cadilhac (1879 - 1932) built up his own transmitting
station 100 years ago. The special callsign TM6GAL is active until
June 10th to commemorate his achievements. QSL via F6HQP.
http://ed73.ref-union.net/ed/

FO, French Polynesia:
Pat, F4EBT, will visit French Polynesia from June 1st - 24th and
will be active (holiday style) as FO/F4EBT from Tahiti (OC-046,
DIFO FO-002 WLOTA 0885), Moorea Island (OC-046, DIFO FO-010, WLOTA
0465), Raiatea Island (OC-067, DIFO FO-012, WLOTA 1977), Huahine
Island (OC-067, DIFO 004, WLOTA 1371), Bora Bora Island (OC-067,
DIFO FO-003, WLOTA 0430) and Maupiti Island (OC-067, DIFO FO-008).
QSL via Homecall.

FO, Marquesas Is.:
Christian, F5IDM, is a member of a scientific expedition to observe
the Venus Transit. From June 3rd - 12th he will use the special
callsign TX5VT from the following islands of the Marquesas group

(OC-027): Hiva Oa (DIFO FO-021, WLOTA 1233); Nuku Hiva (DIFO FO-023,
WLOTA 2030); Ua Huka (DIFO FO-026) and Ua Pou (DIFO FO-027).
QSL via F5IDM (KH6 Bureau, see QRZ.COM).
http://www.cveillet.net/PF/TX5VT.php

G, England:
The ,,Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society" (FISTS #14041)
will be active as GB0PH (Pontefract Heritage) on June 4th from
Pontefract Castle (CASHOTA G-261, WCA G-00261, WAB SE42, WW Loc.
IO93iq) in Yorkshire QSL via bureau, G0BPK (direct).

The ,,Coventry Amateur Radio Society" celebrates the 50th anniversary
of the consecration of Coventry Cathedral until June 19th using
the special call sign GB50CCC, mostly on 80m, 40m and 20m in phone
and on 2m in FM (WW Loc. IO92fj). QSL via bureau.

I, Italy:
ARI Fidenza will take part in the Museum Ship Weekend (June 2/3)
as II1WIL from La Spezia, where the USS Williamsburg is laid up for
the last twenty years. QSL via bureau by IQ4FE.

JT, Mongolia:
Alex UA9YAB (JT0YAB), and Alex UA9YPS (JT0YPS) will activate the
Altai Tavan Bogd National Park from May 31st to June 4th.
QSL JT0YPS via UA9YPS, direct only, QSL JT0YAB see QRZ.COM.

PJ4, Bonaire:
William, K9HZ, will be using PJ4HZ from June 1st to 10th from Bonaire
on the HF bands. QSL via Homecall, direct only, eQSL.

SP, Poland:
On the occasion of the European Football cup in Ukraine and Poland,
the following special callsigns will be QRV from June 1st to July 1st.

SN2012GD Coordinator: Roman SQ2RH
OPs: Bogdan, SP2EBG, Rafal, SQ2IHP, Piotr, SP2AYC, Miroslaw, SP2QOT,
Robert, SQ2WHH, Ida, SQ2OTS, Stanislaw, SP2WGB, Krzysztof,
SP2UUU, Henryk, SQ2NUK, Ireneusz, SP2DKI, Marek, SP2QG, Dariusz,
SP2MKI and Marek, SP2MKT

SN2012PO Coordinator: Bogdan, SP3IQ
OPs: Members of the club station SP3PKK and Henryk, SQ3LMR.

SN2012WA Coordinator: Zygmunt, SP5ELA
OPs: Members of the club station SP73VOT

SN2012WR Coordinator: Marek, SP6NIC
OPs: Members of the club stations SP6ZDA and SP6PRT (Contest Call SN6F)

SN2012PZPN Coordinator: Waldemar, 3Z6AEF
OPs: Members of the club station SP6PYP and Roman, SP3FGQ, Zenon, SQ3KNN,
Krzysztof, SP6JIU, and Tomasz, SP4GHL

HF2012EFC Coordinator Hubert, SP9MDY
OPs: Members of the club station SP9KJU and Kazimierz, SP9GFI, Mietek, SP9NWN, sowie Wojtek, SP9W

3Z2012EFC Coordinator: Romuald, SP4JCP
OPs: Members of the club station SP4PND

HF2012BGS OP: Jerzy, SP9BGS

HF2012EUPP OP: Wieslaw, SQ5ABG

HF2012EURO OPs: Marek, SP9UML and Members of the club station SP9KTL

SN2012EB OP: Slawomir, SP4EOO

SN2012EURO OPs: Grzegorz, SP2OFF, Members of the club stations SP2KFL and SP2YOF

SN2012FUD OP: Bogdan, SP2FUD

SN2012RKK OP: Krystian, SP2RKK

SN2012UEFA Wladek; SP4ICP (Contest Call SN4W)

SN4EFCOP: Wojtek, SP4QCU

3Z2012RKT OP: Janusz, SP1RKT

QSL information see below.

TK, Corsika:
TK/PA3ALK was heard on 6m and 30m.

UR, Ukraine:
On the occasion of the European Football cup in Ukraine and Poland, the following special callsigns will be QRV from June 1st to July 1st.

EM2012EURO Kharkov UR5LCV
EN2012EURO Donetsk UT3IWA
EO2012EURO Lviv UR4WWE
EM2012UEFA Kiev UT0UM
EN2012UEFA Kiev UT5UIA
EO2012UEFA Kiev UR7UC
EM2012EFC all Ukraine UR5EPG
EN2012EFC all Ukraine UR4EYN
EO2012EFC all Ukraine UT7EZZ

Cities with football stadions:
EM2012L Kharkov US0LW
EN2012L Kharkov UT8LN
EO2012L Kharkov UT7LK
EM2012I Donetsk US3IZ
EN2012I Donetsk UY6IM
EO2012I Donetsk UR7IWW
EM2012W Lviv UR5WD
EN2012W Lviv UY4WWA

EO2012W Lviv US5WE
EM2012U Kiev UT3UZ
EN2012U Kiev UR7UD
EO2012U Kiev UT7UU

Individual and club stations
EM2012AA-ZZZ
EN2012AA-ZZZ
EO2012AA-ZZZ

For QSL information see below.

V3, Belize:
Travis, AF6WU and Kjerstin, KJ0VDA, will be V31WU and V31DV
respectively in June and work on the HF bands. QSLs via AF6WU.

VE, Canada:
Ron, VE3AT, on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth
II, will use the special call sign VC3O until June 24th. QSL via VE3AT.
Peter, VE3JPP will activate VC3E for the same reason. QSL via VE3JPP.

VP2, Montserrat:
Graham, M0AEP, is using the call sign VP2MDD from June 2nd to August
6th from Montserrat (NA-103). Gordon, G3USR (VP2MSR), will join him on
June 30th and stay till July 9th. They will be QRV from 80m - 6m, with
a focus on 12/10/6m in CW and SSB. QSLs via Homecall.

VP5, Turks and Caicos:
Bill, KX4WW, and Noll, W9RN, will be active from Providenciales (NA-002)
from May 31th till June 7th, using VP5/homecalls. They plan to use all
HF bands and 6m. QSL VP5/KX4WW via KX4WW, direct only, VP5/W9RN via W9RN.

DARC Club of the Year:

In a ceremony held in the Carillon Museum in Dayton/OH, on May 19th, the
DARC e.V. (Deutscher Amateur Radio Club) was awarded the annual club
award of the Dayton Hamvention. In the laudatio, the DARC's achievements
in the build-up of amateur radio in Germany after WWII and after the
reunificaton were honored. Also, the efforts to provide educational
and technical support to radio amateurs and shortwave listener, and its
efforts to lobby for the needs of radio amateurs, e.g. at the World Radio
Conference and in EU circles were mentioned. The annual "Ham Radio" fair
in Friedrichshafen was recognized as the major amateur meeting next to
the Dayton Hamvention. Mike Klater, W8CI, this year's general chairman
will visit the Ham Radio this year and be a keynote speaker.
The awarding ceremony was repeated on the following day in conjuction
with the closing ceremonies and the raffle on the Hamvention.
Source: Rainer Arndt, W4/SM5LBR

50,000 LoTW users:
On May 1st, Dragan, YT3PDT, successfully completed his registration
for the Logbook of The World, which makes him the 50,000th user.
More than 5000 more users are in the queue to complete their registration.

Digi modes in Cuba:
The radio amateurs of Cuba got a general permission for using digital modes.

OPs wanted>
Harry, AC8G (J37K) plans a DXpedition for the CQ WW SSB Contest
(October 27/28) to Grenada and is looking for OPs.
Contact: hflasher@dayton.net.

Museum Ships Weekend:
This year's MSW takes place on June 2nd/3rd.
http://www.nj2bb.org

Upcoming Contests:

2./3.6. DARC Microwave Contest
2./3.6. IARU Region 1 Fieldday

IOTA: Compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-Mayl: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

EU-065; F; Bretagne (Finistere North West) Region group: From the
Island Molene, Keith/G3TTC will be active on the 5th of June
as F/G3TTC/p. QSL via G3TTC (d/B)

EU-105; F; Bretagne (Finistere North) Region group: On June 2nd,
Keith/G3TTC visits Batz island. As F/G3TTC/p he will hand out
IOTA points. QSL via G3TTC (d/B)

EU-127; DL; Schleswig-Holstein State South West group: Using the call
DD4T, Max/DJ4EL, Alex/IZ4AMS, Enrico/IK2FIL, Ben/DO1BEN,
Vinny/DL6II, Michelle/IZ1POA and Enrique/XE2AA will be QRV from
Helgoland Island (GIA N-14; WLOTA 0518) from June 3-10.
They plan to be on the air with three stations at the same time
on all bands and in all modes. QSL via IZ4AMS (d/B).
More information: http://www.dd4t.eu/

NA-143; W5; Texas State East group: Bill WS5H, Bob N5JSL and Ron
K5HM (members of the Brazos Valley ARC) will work as KK5W from
June 2nd to 4th from the USS Cavalia and USS Stewart from Seawolf
Park on Pelican Island (USi TX008S, Galveston County). This
activity is part of the ,,Museum Ships Weekend 2012". QSL only
direct via KK5W.
http://www.bvarc.org/index.php?page=ms

NA-143; W5; Texas State East group: N5E is QRV from June 2nd to 4th
(Museum Ship Weekend) from the Tall Ship Elissa.
QSL via K0JCC (d/B)

NA-200; XE3; Quintana Roo State South group: Members of the ,,Radioclub
Cancun" plan an activation of Cayo Culebra island (WW Grid EK69).
From June 1st to 3rd they will be QRV as 4A3RCC from 80m - 6m in
SSB and RTTY. QSL via EA5FL (d/B).
http://www.radioclubcancun.org/culebra

NON-IOTA

TM0MIT MORBIHAN ISLAND TOUR: Members of the Babaow Island Gang plan to
be on the air as TM0MIT between June 1st and 6th, and activate 8
to 10 islands in the department Marbihan (DPT 56) and the Province
Brittany (DPF 06). These islands count for the French Islands Award
(DIFM) and the Islands of Morbihan Award (DIM). Depending on the
local situation they will be active for about 8 hours on each island.
All QSOs count for the WFF programme as FFF-151. QSL direct via F5CWU.
http://tm0mit.webs.com/

K0TFT GOAT ISLAND: Members of the Sooland Amateur Radio Association
will activate Goat Island (USi NE006/SD004, WW Loc. EN12ls) on June 2nd.
They will be on 20m in phone and CW, and other bands if conditions
permit. QSL via K0XU (d/B)

MOre Lighthouse Activities

GB0PH LH 1841 04.06.
KA9ROY/KP2 LH 2477 30.05. - 07.06.
TX5VT LH 1233 03.06. - 12.06.
TX5VT LH 2030 03.06. - 12.06.
WB9EDL/KP2 LH 2477 30.05. - 07.06.

WFF Activities

JAFF
JA1JCF/0 will be QRV from ,,Yatsugatake-Chushinkogen Quasi"
(JAFF-056) national park from June 1st to 3rd. He will work in CW
on the HF bands. QSL via JA1JCF (d/B)

YLFF
Eddie/ES2TT is QRV from Castle Krimulda (WCA YL-00039, YLFF-001)
from May 31st to June 4th. On May 31st he'll be YL/ES2TT and on
June 1st as YL2012USCARS (American Cars Fan Meeting - Saulkrasti
2012) on all bands in SSB, CW and BPSK. QSL via ES2TT (d/B)
http://www.uscars.lv/

On June 2nd/3rd, YL0WFF is QRV from national park Slitere (YLFF-004)
and from Slitere lighthouse (ARLHS LAT-015). QSL via YL2CF (d/B)

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from to DX DX-NL
unknown 3B8MM 1777
01.-03.06. 4A3RCC 1782*
to 15. June 4JS0NG.. 1772/1777
17. - 30. May 4X/PA7DA.. 1780
01January-30June 5P12EU 1760
ab 21. March 5T0JL 1772
25. May - 3. June 5X1EME 1781
to 8. June 5X5RO 1778/1780

to 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
25. - 31. May 6O3A 1781
to 30. May 6Y3W.. 1781
to 31. October 8J0WAZA 1780
to 31. May 8J1ITU 1780
to 31. December 8J1MST 1779
to 30. September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751
to 15. July 8J3XVI 1779
to 31. December 8J6O 1773
to 30. September 8J7EQ 1773
to 31. December 8N1TDU 1780
to 3. June 8N8OKH 1780
to 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
to 28. July 8N1TW 1773
to 8. July 8T1M 1781
unknown 9H3XX 1777
to October 2014 9V1RM 1751
to September 2013 A52SV 1752
24. May - 6. June A5A.. 1781
to 31. May AU50GOA 1780
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April - June CY0/VE1AWW 1774
to 8. July 2012 D2QV 1750
to May 2013? D2SG 1748/1780
unknown D3AA 1781
03.-10.06. DD4T 1782*
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
to 13. January 2013 DL125HHZ 1778
01January-31December DL1630Y 1760
to 31. December DL250COA 1779
01January-31December DM100MGY 1763
01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763
to 31. December DM800ANH 1767
to February 2013 DP0GVN 1756
to January 2013 DQ0STRATEX 1770
to 31. December DQ125HSB 1763
unknown E40VB 1780
to 31. December E720RS 1770
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to 31. May EM100RU 1780
1. June - 1. July EM2012EURO.. 1782*
1. May - 30. June EM350S 1777
to 26. August EM80L.. 1778
unknown EV1150P 1779
02.-05.06. F/G3TTC/p 1782*
to 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
1. - 24. June FO/F4EBT 1782*
to July 2012 FR8NE 1710

jetzt FW/F1GHY 1771
4. June GB0PH 1782*
to June G4BJC.. 1779
annually May + July GB1AVR 1779
to 19. June GB50CCC 1782*
to 31. December GB50WVR 1767
to 30. May GB60VUL 1779
2012 GB80PW 1762
21.05.-07.06 GM3VLB/p 1780
5. May - 10. June GQ3aaa.. 1778
5. May - 10. June GQ4BJC/A.. 1779
to 31. December HA50ZH 1780
7. May - 9. June HB100FLP 1778/1779
unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
to September 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
to Ende 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
2./3. June II1WIL 1782*
01January-31Decembe II6LN 1763
to 2011/2012? J28JV 1680
to July 2012 J28RO 1683
to July 2013 J28UC 1734
31. May - 4. June JT0YAB.. 1782*
unknown JT5NM 1781
unknown E40VB 1780
19. May - 27. July G4WAB.. 1780
01.-03.06. JA1JCF/0 1782*
29March -March2013 JX9JKA 1769/1773
unknown JY9ET 1779
02.06. K0TFT 1782*
to 2013 KG4AJ 1756
to June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
to May 2012 KH4/W5FJG 1728
end of May/early June KH8/KL7RRC 1781
02.-04.06. KK5W 1782*
22. - 31. May LG5LG.. 1780
to 22. July LZ12FDAY 1770
to 31. December LZ1818MOG.. 1770
to 10. June MQ0SMJ 1779
02.-04.06. N5E 1782*
to 15. August NR4CB 1780
May - October OD5/IV3XNF 1777
to 31. December OH150VR 1772
01January-31December ON65BR 1763
4April-31December ON100TT 1775
7. - 31. May P40H.. 1780
19.05.-02.06. PD5MVH/p 1780
1. -10. PJ4HZ 1782*
May R1945HS 1778
to early 2013 RI1ANF 1765

to September 2012 RI1FJA 1741
to September 2012 RI1FJM 1741
to 31. December S555E.. 1772
1. June - 1. July SN2012GD.. 1782*
18. May - 02. July SN750K 1780
to 1. June SV5/OK2BOB.. 1781
24.05.-03.06. SV8/HA0HW 1781
28.05.-17.06. SV8/N6GQ 1781
to 13. June T6JM 1764
to Ende July T6JP 1768/1770
to June 2012 T6MO 1733/1767/1781
to 31. December TC50TRAC.. 1770
unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782*
01.-06.06. TM0MIT 1782*
to 31. December TM210VH 1770
to 22. July TM3FFI 1779
23.-30.05. TM5FI 1781
to 10. June TM6GAL 1782
to 31. December TM70TRS 1763
to July 2012 TN9SN 1755
3. - 12. June TX5VT 1782*
23. - 30 May V26E 1781
11. - 31. May V31XB 1779
June V31WU.. 1782*
to November 2014 V73NS 604/1668/1752
1. - 30. May VC2CBS30 1777
June VC3E 1782*
to 24. June VC3O 1782*
23. - 30. May VK9PN.. 1781
2. June - 6. August VP2MDD 1782*
30. June - 9. July VP2MSR 1782*
31. May - 7. June VP5/KX4WW.. 1782*
to July 2012 VQ9JC 1755
to May 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
02.06.-03.06. YL0WFF 1782*
31.05. YL/ES2TT 1782*
01.-04.06. YL2012USCARS 1782*
5. May - 10. June ZQ3M.. 1778
to 2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3Z2012EFC via SP4JCP
3Z2012RKT via SP1RKT
4A3RCC via EA5FL (B)
4L1MA via ON4RU (B)
5R8FL via G3SWH (B)
6Y/UT5UDX via RA4LW (d)

7U50ND via 7X2DD (d)
8P9BF via DF5WA (B)
A6/DL2RMC via DL2RMC (B)
A60ITU via NI5DX (L), eQSL
A61AS via YO3FRI (B), (L)
A61LL via EA5ZD (d)
A73A via EA7FTR
AL4H via DJ4MZ (B)
AU50GOA via VU2SMS (d)
AY5F via LU5FC (B)
BW/JL3TOG via JL3TOG (B)
C4EU via 5B4AHO (B)
CN8YZ via 6K5YPD (B)
CP4BT via EA5KB (B)
CQ3B via CT3EE (d)
CR1X via OH2BH (B)
CT7/CT3FN via HB9CRV (B)
CT9/ON3RM via ON3RM
CU1CB via EA5KB (B)
DB50EFA via DL8DWL (B), eQSL
DD4T via IZ4AMS (B)
EE8X via W2GR (B)
EF2A via EA2AYD (B), (L)
EF5Y via EA5GTQ (LoTW only)
EF8M via UA3DX (B)
EF8R via EA8CAC (LoTW only) EG5FPA via EB5GC (B)
EG5TCS via EA5IBW (EURAO-bureau) http://eurobureauqsl.org/
EG5TSL via EA5HRE (EURAO-bureau)
EG7CC via EA7NL
EG8GCA via EA8TH (B)
EG8GOM via EA8TH (B)
EG8GRA via EA8TH (B)
EG8TFE via EA8TH (B)
EH8DDC via EA8RKL (EURAO-bureau)
EM2012AW via UR5AW
EM2012EZ via UR7EZ
EM2012F via UR5FAV
EM2012EFC via UR5EPG
EM2012EURO via UR5LCV
EM2012EZ via UR7EZ
EM2012GG via UW5GG
EM2012HA via UR7HA
EM2012I via US3IZ
EM2012IDX via UR8IDX
EM2012IKV via US6IKV
EM2012IO via UX3IO
EM2012JX via UU8JX
EM2012KY via UT1KY (B)
EM2012L via US0LW
EM2012LL via UX7LL

EM2012LS via US4LS
EM2012LWY via UR4LWY
EM2012MA via UX7MA (B)
EM2012MH via UR4MH
EM2012ML via UR2ML
EM2012QN via UT3QN
EM2012QQ via UT8QQ
EM2012RZ via UY2RZ
EM2012U via UT3UZ (B)
EM2012UA via US8UA
EM2012UEFA via UT0UM
EM2012UF via UT8UF
EM2012UJ via UR5UJ
EM2012UO via UT4UO (B)
EM2012UT via UR7UT
EM2012UU via US7UU
EM2012UZ via UY5UZ
EM2012VA via US0VA (B)
EM2012W via UR5WD
EM2012WA via UT4WA (B)
EN2012EFC via UR4EYN (B)
EN2012EURO via UT3IWA
EN2012GDX via UR5GDX
EN2012I via UY6IM
EN2012IA via US7IA
EN2012IO via UT8IO
EN2012IW via UT3IW (B)
EN2012IX via UX8IX
EN2012KWA via UR4KWA
EN2012L via UT8LN
EN2012LTX via UR4LTX
EN2012MN via UR1MN
EN2012MF via UX2MF
EN2012NK via UT3NK
EN2012U via UR7UD
EN2012UEFA via UT5UIA (B)
EN2012UT via UR4UT
EN2012UU via US1UU
EN2012UX via US0UX
EN2012UZ via UR5UZ
EN2012W via UY4WWA
EN2012WZ via UT7WZ (B)
EN2012ZY via UT5ZY
EO2012EFC via UT7EZZ
EO2012EURO via UR4WWE
EO2012I via UR7IWW
EO2012IKF via US6IKF
EO2012IO via UY8IO
EO2012IS via US3IS
EO2012IZ via UX5IZ

EO2012JQ via UU2JQ (B)
EO2012JT via UU2JT
EO2012KW via US0KW (B)
EO2012L via UT7LK
EO2012LBL via UR4LBL
EO2012LD via UR9LD
EO2012LE via UR0LE
EO2012LF via UX3LF
EO2012LN via UX1LN
EO2012LX via US3LX
EO2012NA via UT5NA
EO2012NY via UT4NY
EO2012U via UT7UU
EO2012UA via UY2UA
EO2012UC via UR4UC
EO2012UEFA via UR7UC
EO2012W via US5WE
EO2012WZA via UT7WZA (B)
F/G3TTC/p via G3TTC (B)
FO/F4EBT via F4EBT (B)
GB0PH via (B), G0BPK (d)
GB50CCC via (B)
GB60VUL via M0JEC (B)
HB0/DF5AU via DF5AU (B), (L)
HB0/DJ2IA via DJ2IA (B)
HB9/EA1IIW via EA1IIW (B)
HF2012BGS via SP9BGS
HF2012EFC via SP9MDY
HF2012EUPP via SQ5ABG
HF2012EURO via SP9KTL
HF3T via SP3FYX (B), (L)
HF6LOS via SQ9CWO (B)
HK/LU8EOT via LU8EOT (B), (L)
HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ (B)
HP1/IQ6CC via IZ4SUC (B)
HL0A via HL2UVH (B)
HL0V via HL2UVH (B)
HP1/IQ6CC via IZ4SUC (B)
HQ2N via EA5GL (d)
II0CC/IT9 via IZ4SUC (B)
II0FTC via IQ0FB (B)
II1WIL via IQ4FE (B)
IQ9SR via IT9ULI (B)
IR1CCL via IK1APO
JA1JCF/0 via JA1JCF (B)
JT0YAB see QRZ.COM
JT0YPS via UA9YPS (d)
K0TFT via K0XU (B)
KK5W via KK5W (d)
KP2M via AI4U (B)

L53GO via LU4GO
LO2F via AC7DX (B)
N5E via K0JCC (B)
OG0Z via W0MM (B)
OK/DH7WW/p via DH7WW (B)
OK/SP9RTZ via SP9RTZ
OM7M via OM3PA (B)
ON1794ARJ via ON6NR (B)
P33W via UA3DX (B)
P4/OK5MM via OK2JS (B)
PA73N via PA4N (B), (L)
PJ4HZ via K9HZ (d), eQSL
PP5/AI6V via AI6V (B)
PR5B via 6K5YPD (B)
PT7/PY7XC via PY7XC (B)
PW7T via PT7WA (B)
PW0F via OH2BH (B)
PW0F via OH2BH (B)
RA/IK5MIC/p via IK5MIC
RI1FJA via RX3MM (d)
SJ2W via SM2LIY (d), (L)
SN2012EB via SP4EOO
SN2012EURO via SP2KFL
SN2012FUD via SP2FUD
SN2012GD via SQ2RH (B)
SN2012PO via SP3IQ
SN2012PZPN via 3Z6AEF
SN2012RKK via SP2RKK
SN2012UEFA via SP4ICP
SN2012WA via SP5PBE (B)
SN2012WR via SP6NIC
SN4EFC via SP4QCU
SV5/OK1AMM via OK1AMM (B)
SV5/OK2BOB via OK2BOB (B)
SV8/LZ1GC via LZ1GC (B)
SV9/DJ9XB via DJ9XB (B)
SV9/DL7VOA via DL7VOA (B)
SV9/SQ9UM via SQ9UM
TA7/R3GM via RA1QQ (B)
TC7C via RA1QQ (B)
TK/PA3ALK via PA3ALK
TK4A via LoTW only
TM5FI via F5XX (B)
TM6GAL via F6HQP (B)
TM0MIT via F5CWU (d)
TX5VT via F5IDM (KH6 bureau, see QRZ.COM)
UN9GD via DL8KAC (d)
UP2L via UA9AB (B)
UP4L via UN7LZ (B)
UP6P via UN7PBY (d)

V26E via AB2E (B)
V31DV via AF6WU
V31WU via AF6WU
VC3E via VE3JPP
VC3O via VE3AT (B)
VK4NM via M0OXO
VK9PN via VK2PN (B), (L), eQSL
VP2MDD via M0AEP (B)
VP2MSR via G3USR (d)
VP5/KX4WW via KX4WW (d)
VP5/W9RN via W9RN (B)
XF3LH via PT2OP (B)
YL/ES2TT via ES2TT (B)
YL2012USCARS via ES2TT (B)
YL0WFF via YL2CF (B)
YP22CER via YO7GWA

(d) = only direct (B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager (L) = LoTW

* QSL received direct: V31YK (DL2AYK)
* QSL received by LoTW: 9M0C (Spratly, 1998)
* QSL received via bureau:
7Z7AA(7Z1CQ), 9K2F (9K2HN), 9M2/R6AF, CU2X, DJ7QV, DL4VCV,
DL4YBZ, DL0YLE, DL0YLU, DL0YLY, HB0/DL4MP, HZ1SBS, JR3NZC,
LA/DL2VFR, LZ7HQ, OX2A, OZ2AR/p, PJ7N(W4FC), TM5SM (F5RJM), XV4YY
(DH7WW), YO9FNP

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VA3RJ, etc.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-01 02:38:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9e8cd7f04c16013ad@google.com>
Source record: 2943
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Astronaut to speak in Seaside Saturday - Chinook Observer

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFtwsIJHVq-8FS6gQ_os1jHc72gVw&url=http://www.chinookobserver.com/life/astronaut-to-speak-in-seaside-saturday/article_52368491-24f6-5298-8c07-e3036843e0f4.html

Astronaut to speak in Seaside Saturday
Chinook Observer
During his presentation, Barratt (amateur call sign KD7MIJ) will discuss his most recent spaceflight mission, living aboard the station and the use of ham radio on the orbiting laboratory. The convention, which is open to the public, takes place from ...
NASA astronaut to speak at Sea-Pac Convention in SeasideSeaside Signal

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Radio operator uses hobby as community service - Victoria Advocate

Posted: 24 May 2012 12:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEpcBM5Vxit_9qVbtmFnqsOW0JnOw&url=http://www.victoriaadvocate.com/news/2012/may/23/mc_ham_052412_177406/?career%2520news%26local-business

Victoria Advocate
Radio operator uses hobby as community service
Victoria Advocate
Traditional channels of communication might break in an emergency - that includes some radio signals. Amateur radio emergency system operators like Wagner can relay the information that keeps chaos from breaking out in communities. Getting a ham radio ...

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Auction of radio gear - This is Hull and East Riding

Posted: 31 May 2012 07:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEShoGVToJppuJKDPM2C3g6P7_sRA&url=http://www.thisishullandeastriding.co.uk/Auction-radio-gear/story-16236552-detail/story.html

Auction of radio gear
This is Hull and East Riding

HULL: An open day has been organised by the Hull and District Amateur Radio Society on Sunday, June 24. There will be a bring and buy sale followed by an auction at 1pm. There will also be a barbecue and refreshments available.

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Amateur radio operators plan field day in Victoria - Victoria Advocate

Posted: 25 May 2012 02:44 PM PDT
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Amateur radio operators plan field day in Victoria
Victoria Advocate
In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been amateur radio. These radio operators, called "hams," provide backup communications for everything from the American Red Cross to FEMA and even for International Space Station.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-01 05:52:00 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <AA3696CD9D934FE0B780A5A8C109B134@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 2944
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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1 June 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

Debby says…sorry everyone no information received for this issue
of HQ Info-line as everyone that usually contributes has been either
busy arranging conference or enroute to get there!

I am writing this from Sunny Nelson, awaiting the first meeting of
Council to commence shortly.

No doubt you will all be able to review the minutes of Council, online
once they have been approved.

In the meantime, I suggest you listen to the official broadcast on
Sunday night, which always gives an interesting précis of the
annual general meeting and weekends activities.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the July/August 2012
issue of Break-In-closes on 10 July 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 July 2012
for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted
DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to
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878. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1338530401@panix.com>
Source record: 2945
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

879. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1816 - June 1 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-01 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120601090003.089CF33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2946
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1816 - June 1 2012

Note: This week is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline report running 35 minutes, 37 seconds and contains three breaks at 9:56, 19:12 and 25:46 respectively. Actual newscast begins now:

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Cue tone
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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1816 with a release date of June 1, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

The following is a Q-S-T. Italian hams called out as earthquakes hit near the city of Bologna; South African hams ready to respond after mine disaster, more on Icom's support of the Boy Scouts of America and a new plateau in solar energy is reached down-under. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1816 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS RESPOND AFTER QUAKE HITS ITALY

It has been called the region's worst quake since the 1300's. Amateur radio was one of the services requested to help in the quake's aftermath. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, reports:

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Striking on Sunday, May 20th at 4.04 am local time the quake's epicenter was located about 35 kilometers north of the Italian city of Bologna at a relatively shallow depth of 5 kilometers. Its intensity measured a 6.0 on the Richter scale as it shook the nation's densely populated northeast region. Homes, factories and some historic church steeples were all felled by the force of the temblor.

There was a 5.8 magnitude aftershock on Tuesday, May 29th at 9 am local time in the province of Modena, about 22 miles north-west of Bologna. This aftershock caused more buildings to collapse across the region, leaving at least 17 people dead, more than 350 injured, and 12 people reported missing.

Jim Linton, VK3PC, is the Chairman of the IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee. He relays an IARU Region 1 report that Italian radio amateurs were called on to responded in the wake of the disaster. According to VK3PC, the voluntary group RNRE was requested to make several mobile units available to respond as needed, due to the continuing seismic activity. No H-F frequencies were in use during the initial quake with all communications apparently taking place on the VHF and UHF bands.

IARU Region 1 now reports that 7060 KHz is in use by IQ1HQ which is the RNRE and IQ0TK which is the Rome Civil Protection Department. There are also VHF links in the area at this time. Following a request from the Italian Civil Protection department, the RNRE have sent one mobile unit with five radio amateurs to the affected area and two more units are ready to go if requested.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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As if this quake was not enough, another 4.3-magnitude earthquake was registered on May 28th in Southern Italy. The European Mediterranean Seismological Centre reports the epicenter was located 9 kilometers west of the town of Castrovillari. At airtime, There is no information about any injuries or damages caused by the latest earthquake. (VK3PC, G0DUB, KB3TZD)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMNET NORTHERN CAPE RESPONDS TO MINE DISASTER

Hams from South Africa's Hamnet are being asked to prepare for activation in the wake of a mining disaster in that region.

Carel Oberholzer, ZS3OBE, of Hamnet Northern Cape says they are potentially in need of assistance to provide communication support for the operation to rescue the trapped miners or remove their remains from a diamond mine near Kleinzee.

According to ZS3OBE, communications to Springbok which is the nearest urban hub is problematic and Hamnet has been requested to assist.

Oberholzer says that operators are needed to assist in providing communications between Springbok and the Kleinzee mine location. This is a distance of about 80 kilometers.

If activation occurs, the operation is expected to last for two to three weeks. Hamnet will likely two person teams on a rotational basis to man a relay point on a high point somewhere in between the mine and the city.

Oberholzer describes the situation as fluid at this stage. As such the Hamnet response is only in the preparation phase.

We will have a follow-up on this story in a future Amateur Radio Newsline report.

(Hamnet)

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HAMVENTION 2012: TRULY A MIND BLOWING EVENT

The numbers are in and this years Dayton Hamvention was once again a mind blowing event with some 25,000 hams attending to see new product launches from most of the major amateur radio suppliers. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, was on scene and has more:

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When Hara Arena opened its doors at 9 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Friday, May 18th thousands of hams swarmed in. All were eager to see the latest and greatest gear that manufacturers and vendors had to offer. And they were not disappointed.

Last week we covered a couple of the new radios from Kenwood and Heiberling. This week we will take a look at what Yaesu had to offer. In their case it was both a new HF transceiver and a new method of digital audio for use on VHF and UHF bands. Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV, is Yaesu's spokesman:

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K7BV: "The surprise that no one knew about including me was the FTDX-3000 which is an HF and 50 MHz 200 watt radio that uses the fantastic receiver that we developed for the FTDX-5000. So now for $3000 someone can have the receiver performance of a $5000 FTDX-5000. Of coarse you don't get the second receiver and you don't get 200 watts; you only get 100; but there's that rig that so many people have been waiting for."

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But that was not all. For the world at 2 meters and above Yaesu introduced its long awaited digital audio hand-held that uses a different modulation scheme from either Icom's D-Star or Alinco's ITU-TV.32 protocols. Again, Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV:

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K7BV" "We have a new digital handheld that uses C4FM FFDMA protocol and its going to be a whole new venture of digital into amateur radio with many, many of the capabilities that some of the other existing services can't offer. We introduced the hand held for that today and the repeater and the mobile will be coming later on in the year."

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In simpler terms, the introduction of the new Yaesu digital radio is kind of the ham radio equivalent of the 1970's Betamax versus VHS

clash, but this time it will be at least 3-way affair. Four ways if you count the proponents of the P-25 protocol with recycled police and fire radios that has an ever growing following among the technical experimenters in the hobby.

Turning to the social aspect of Hamvention, the theme of the 2012 Hamvention was Internationally Connected with Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club having been selected as the 2012 Hamvention Club of the Year. Mitch Wolfson, DJ0QN, a former California ham who moved to Germany more than three decades ago was one of several DARC representatives who came to Dayton:

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DJ0QN: "Well that was quite a surprise. We were really pleased to hear that DARA selected us as the Club of the Year. We haven't done anything different the past couple of years that we have done the last 40 years. We have continued to represent Germany and also help amateur radio in all of Europe and all of IARU Region 1. We did a lot of work into making sure that we supported amateur radio in Germany by supporting it against issues like RFI problems that have been caused by new devices such as PLC and have done a lot of work in that area."

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Also on hand for this year's international event were representatives of the Japan Amateur Radio League, the Qatar Amateur Radio Society and the Radio Society of Great Britain. In addition, some of the leaders of the International Amateur Radio Union were on hand. This included IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, Vice President Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, and Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD. They were there to meet and greet visitors. All of the international societies were located in the ARRL EXPO in the Ballarena Hall that also housed more than 20 exhibits staffed by ARRL representatives. Among the new ARRL booths for 2012 was an exhibit introducing the digital edition of QST magazine.

We wish we had more time to tell you about Hamvention 2012,. But there are other stories we have to cover. So for now, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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For a visual highlight tour of Hamvention 2012 we suggest that you visit twit.tv/hn and watch Episode 49 of Bob Heil's show Ham Nation called the Dayton Experience. Also there are two new Hamvention 2012 music videos on You Tube produced by kit building expert Joe Eisenberg, K0NEB. One is called Hamvention 2012 "Band On The Run" and the other is titled Hamvention 2012 "Gimme Dat Ding." To find them just put the word joehusker into the search YouTube search line. We think you will enjoy them both. (ARNewsline, RSGB, others)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WM7K repeater serving Grants Pass, Oregon.

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RADIO FOR YOUTH: MORE ON THE BSA AND ICOM ALLIANCE

As we mentioned briefly last week, one of the biggest surprises to come out of Hamvention 2012 was an announcement that Icom and the Boy Scouts of America are joining forces to give scouts a new and exciting access point to ham radio. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramovich, NT3V, is here with some more information on this new alliance:

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While some might say the new partnership between Icom and the BSA is historic, the key players who hammered out the deal simply say it was a natural progression that will expose tens of thousands of Scouts and their leaders to the fun, the excitement and the challenges found in amateur radio.

Jim Wilson, K5ND, who coordinates the annual Jamboree on the Air for the Boy Scouts of America each October, was introduced to Ray Novak, N9JA, division manager for amateur and receiver products at Icom America in Seattle, by a past staff member at the K2BSA operations at the national Boy Scouts Jamboree.

Wilson, who is coordinating the K2BSA operations for the 2013 BSA jamboree at The Summit in West Virginia, says he was initially looking for a commitment on equipment which Icom has been loaning the jamboree operations over the years. But Wilson had a different idea this time... "Donate the equipment, don't loan it to us, but donate it to the jamboree and after the jamboree, we'll move it to local councils so they can put it to use and it'll be in use year-round," Wilson says. Wilson says his dialogue with Novak explored other areas where the BSA and amateur radio are in sync - such as Radio merit badge and Jamboree on the Air.

>From that came the proposal from Icom's Novak to put HF radios, microphones and an antenna, in the hands of the BSA in the form of "loaner kits" to send out to Scout councils across the country.

"One is a long-range loan of up to 12 months that a Scout council can put in place while they're developing donations to support a longer term station," Wilson says. "But, give them a station that they can show how it works, they can get the Scouts excited, they can get local donors excited. "And, then another type of loan station - which we're calling an event loan station. So, if you've got a Radio Merit Badge workshop where you'd like to put in place one of these stations, you can apply and we'll get it in the queue, see if it works out and get a

station out there for a week or two weeks or what have you."

Novak, who has been helping set up equipment needs for the past few national jamboree operations at Fort AP Hill in Virginia, says he didn't want to wait a year for the next jamboree to get gear into the hands of Scouts and leaders for special events like JOTA or camporee demos or Radio merit badge workshops.

"I'm not as concerned about the Boy Scouts getting licensed as I am with them seeing that amateur radio is actually a fun thing and they take home with them and share with their parents and others what fun they had talking into a microphone and transmitting thousands of miles away to talk to another Boy Scout or another youth the same age instead of sitting there and texting," Novak says.

The BSA's Wilson says he confided in Novak his vision for the new Scout jamboree location in West Virginia and the idea of eventually establishing a permanent footprint for amateur radio there. That turned into something Wilson described as unexpected - an offer of repeaters for the site.

"A 2-meter repeater and 2, 70 centimeter repeaters," Wilson says of the Icom offer. "The 2-meter and 70 centimeter will be analog and we'll have a D-Star repeater also at 70 centimeters." And, Novak says there is more, much more being worked out for HF, VHF, EchoLink, Foxhunting, and antennas for the K2BSA operations and Radio merit badge for the 2013 jamboree. "Right now we're at just the very beginning of working out all the details and luckily we've got about a full year before we really need to have everything in place for the Summit and the jamboree," Novak says. "But that one year will go fast."

Wilson, who is excited to see this vision unfolding for the BSA and amateur radio, says it wouldn't have been possible without the people at the local Scout councils who have contributed to a seven-fold increase in the number of Radio merit badges earned by Scouts in recent years. And, some of those Scouts, he says, are going on to the next level - thanks to the interest spurred by the merit badge...

"There are some committed Scouters and amateur radio operators putting in place merit badge workshops, offering Jamboree on the Air experiences, getting youth engaged in amateur radio and then they're going on and earning their Radio merit badge," Wilson says. "And, I'll bet a fair percent of those are going on and earning their Technician licenses."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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All things considered, the agreement between the Boy Scouts of America and Icom could easily lead to a lot of new young voices on the air and that would be very good news for all of amateur radio. Also it begs

the obvious question of whether or not it will lead to similar agreements between other equipment suppliers and youth groups here in the United States or possibly elsewhere in the world. On this one only time will tell. (ARNewsline, NT3V)

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RADIO LAW: OHIO ENACTS PRB-1 LIKE LAW TO PROTECT HAMS

Good news for Ohio hams. They now have P R B One-like antenna protection. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the Newsroom with more:

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Ohio hams now have antenna and support structure assurance. On May 15, Ohio Governor John Kasich signed a bill, granting comprehensive protections and rights to amateur radio operators in that state.

HB 158 codifies the federal restrictions on the local zoning of amateur station antenna structures, thereby preserving Amateur Radio Service communications as a Homeland Security resource. It also places the burden of proof for compliance on the zoning authority.

The new law states that: "Any legislative authority that denies an application for approval of an amateur station antenna structure shall state the reasons for the denial and shall, on appeal, bear the burden of proving that the authority's actions are consistent with this section."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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This language of the new Ohio law removes the burden of proof from the amateur radio operator and places it on the legislative authority. And that's very good news for hams living in the Buckeye State. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: NEW FCC COMMISSIONERS SET TO WORK

New FCC Commissioners Jessica Rosenworcel and Ajit Pai have been sworn-in and have officially begun their work.

Rosenworcel, a Democrat, takes the seat held by former Commissioner Michael Copps. Pai, a former Senate staffer as well who most recently worked at Jenner & Block, is a Republican who takes the seat vacated last spring by former Commissioner Meredith Baker.

Pai has already announced his personnel with Matthew Berry as his chief of staff. In the past Berry has been the FCC's general counsel. He was most recently at the law firm of Patton Boggs.

Gene Fullano has been named acting legal advisor for Commissioner Pai. He was most recently associate chief of the FCC's Public Safety & Homeland Security Bureau. (RW)

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RADIO LAW: KAPLAN TO LEAVE FCC WTB CHIEF POSITION

The Genachowski lead FCC is losing another bureau chief. This with word that Rick Kaplan is stepping down as chief of the regulatory agency's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

Kaplan has been at the FCC since 2009, working in several posts. This included a stint as Chief of Staff to Commissioner Mignon Clyburn.

According to a report from Radio World, Ruth Milkman, who preceded Kaplan as chief, will return to the bureau in that role after a year as special counsel to the chairman for Innovation in Government.

The changes are effective in mid-June. (RW)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RESCUE RADIO: TOO MANY CB SETS CAUSES HOUSE FIRE

Tampa Bay Online reports that having too many CB radios connected to one power source likely sparked a fire. One that caused tens of thousands of dollars of damage at a St. Petersburg, Florida home.

Fire investigators think the blaze was started by too many citizens band radios connected to an overloaded extension cord. Damage is estimated at $35,000 to $50,000.

The owner of the home told the newspaper that he and his family were watching television when the fire started. They evacuated and no one was injured. The Red Cross helped the family find temporary lodging.

And less we forget, investigators say that the home where the fire occurred reportedly had no working smoke detectors. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/cb-house-fire. (KB5TJI)

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WORLDBEAT: CB RADIO BOMB SCARE IN THE UK

The BBC reports that a suspicious electronic device triggered a bomb alert in the city of Surrey. According to the news agency, the device was found after reports of suspicious activity near the Maultway, Camberley at about 10:00 British Standard Time on Monday, the 21st.

Following examination by army bomb disposal experts Surrey police issued a statement saying that the unit turned out to be a pirate radio F.M broadcast transmitter or repeater for a citizen or pirate band radio station. You can read the entire story on-line at tinyurl.com/cb-bomb-scare. (BBC)

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RADIO READING: NEW E-BOOK FOR NEWCOMERS OR RETURNING HAMS

21 Things to Do After You Get Your Amateur Radio License is a new book by Daniel M Romanchik, KB6NU, that is now available for electronic reading on the Kindle and Nook. Written for the new ham or those amateurs who have not really been all that active late, its 21 chapters cover just about every aspect of the hobby as it is today. Included are such topics as how to locate an Elmer, how to buy a radio, set up a shack and much more. Also covered are the social aspects of the hobby including participation in clubs, hamfests and the like. The Kindle edition priced under three dollars is available from amazon.com. (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K6VVA IOTA NORTHERN LATITUDE OPERATION POSTPONED

Some names in the news. Rick Hilding, K6VVA, has announced that his Northern Latitudes Islands on the Air DXpedition has been rescheduled for July of 2013. This in the hope of gaining better propagation during that time period.

As explained in his announcement, the far Northern Latitude has additional propagation factor complications. So in evaluating the total picture, a pause was deemed necessary to maximize possibilities for all Islands on the Air chasers to make contacts. You can follow planning progress on-line at www.k6vva.com/iota/na172 (K6VVA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: GW8TGS CARRIES OLYMPIC TOURCH

A big treat for a United Kingdom ham as William Williams, GW8TGS , had the honor of being the Olympic Torchbearer as part of the team carrying the flame through the city of Aberystwyth.

Williams turn came on May 27th starting at around 18.14 GMT and arriving at Vicarage Fields half an hour later.

Having taken part in several charity runs and raising over 15,000 Pounds for charities, GW8TGS was nominated by the Rotary Club of Aberystwyth for his fund raising and his other voluntary work.

Williams says he feels honored have taken part in this once-in-a-lifetime event. (GB2RS, Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RESULTS OF ARRL SPRING 2012 SM ELECTION ANNOUNCED

Of the nine Section Manager elections this spring, two were decided by member voting. Ballots were counted on May 22nd at ARRL Headquarters. The incumbent Indiana Section Manager, John Poindexter, W3ML decided not to run for a new term of office. Two radio amateurs vied for the open position, with Lou Everett Sr, WA5LOU, being declared the winner with 596 votes. His opponent Brian Jenks, W9BGJ, received 429 votes.

In Northern Florida, incumbent Section Manager Paul Eakin, KJ4G, was re-elected with 627 votes. His opponent Gary Alberstadt, KA3FZO, received 434 votes. Eakin has served as Section Manager since 2008.

California's Santa Clara Valley will also have a new Section Manager with Brandon Bianchi, NI6C, taking over from Phil Steffora, K6TT, who decided not to run for a new term of office. Bianchi is currently serving as an Assistant Section Manager and did not face an opponent for the Section Manager position.

All other incumbent ARRL Section Managers running for re-election did not face opposition and were declared elected for their next terms of office beginning this July 1st. (ARRL)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: CUBAN HAMS AWARDED NEW DIGIMODES

Pavel Costa, CO7WT, says that following both a national debate followed by legal avenues that the government of Cuba has approved the use of new digital modes for all Cuban radio amateurs. With this regulatory change Cuban hams are now permitted use of Domino, Contestia, Olivia, M-F-S-K, J-T-65, and almost all variants of PSK. More important says CO7WT, this approval has set up a mechanism to apply for other new digital modes by any Cuban hams. Previous legislation restricted Cuban radio amateurs early digital modes such as to PSK31, QPSK31, AMTOR, PACKET and RTTY. (CO7WT)

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WORLDBEAT: RSGB BACKS OFCOM IN PROPOSED ANTI INTERFERENCE LAW

The Radio Society of Great Britain has offered a formal response in support telecommunication regulator Ofcom's inquiry on proposed new anti-interference regulations. Laws to provide the telecommunications regulator with powers to take action in cases of interference from non-wireless telecommunications apparatus.

The RSGB says that while the immediate proposal is to implement the new regulations in time for the upcoming Olympic Games. It adds that this action by Ofcom highlights the point that the RSGB has advocated on many occasions. That being the need for Ofcom to have statutory powers in cases of serious interference to the spectrum from non-wireless apparatus.

Ofcom has indicated that it intends to prepare these regulations for ongoing use after the Olympic Games. Part of the RSGB response emphasizes the need for such regulatory enforcement powers. (RSGB)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAMS WORLWIDE ASKED TO MONITOR FOR THE HORYU-2 SATELLITE

Hams world-wide are being asked to monitor for Japan's HORYU-2 satellites Morse code beacon and 1200-baud AX.25 packet telemetry at 437.375 MHz.

Japan's HORYU-2 is a research satellite was launched May 17th as part of a mission that also included the JAXA climate observation satellite Shizuku.

HORYU-2 was built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology and identifies using the call sign JG6YBW. Telemetry decoding software is available for download at tinyurl.com/horyu-software. This is an executable program so you might want to be certain that it will run on your computer before installing it.

More about the Horyu satellite itself is on-line at tinyurl.com/horyu-sat. (ARRL, AMSAT)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT SATELLITE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO NASA

The AMSAT North America Board of Directors has announced that the organization was a partner in a pair of Phase-2 NASA Edison Program proposals that were successfully submitted on Tuesday May 22nd. Due to the highly competitive nature of this program, no additional information can be released at this time. However, if selected, these proposals would provide AMSAT and its partners with the funds to construct and launch new amateur radio satellites. NASA intends to announce the winning proposals in the Fall of 2012. (ANS)

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PROPAGATION: NEW UK TO NORTH AMERICA 2 METER BEACON GB3WGI COMING SOON

A new United-Kingdom based trans-Atlantic beacon is coming to the 2 meter band. Located at Lough Navar Forest in Northern Ireland at a height of 1145 feet above average terrain, the GB3WGI beacon will have a clear take off over the sea toward North America. The system will radiate on 144.487MHz initially with an Effective Radiated Power 100 Watts relative to a dipole, with plans to increase this if licensing allows.

This new propagation beacon is being made possible thanks to the generous donation of a transmitter by Brian Justin, WA1ZMS, the man behind the US 70MHz beacon, and United Kingdom Notice of Variation holder, Gordon Curry GI6ATZ who is providing the site and site services. No date has been announced for the installation of the beacon, but plans are well under way.

The Notice of Variation is the U-K equivalent to a United States Special Temporary Authority. It was issued by telecommunications regulator Ofcom on May 18th. (G4BAO)

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In DX, UA4WHX, who just went QRT as JY8VB has been spotted with the Palestinian call E40VB on 12 meters. Details of the stay are not known. QSL via home call.

OH2PM will be operating as TC2X from Istanbul at TA2KN which is the Turkish Scouting and Guiding Federation Club station in Umraniye. QSL this operation via OH2BH.

ZL3CW is working as TX5CW from Noumea, French Caledonia. QSL via his home call as well.

The special event station 8N1TDU is active from Japan's Tokyo Denki University Campus until December 31. QSL this one as directed on the air.

Lastly, HA1ZH is active in all modes and on all bands until December 31st. This on the occasion of his 50th jubilee as a ham QSL information is at www.ha1zh.hu

(Above from various DX news sources

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SOLAR POWER BREAKTHROUGH

And finally this week, word of a major efficiency breakthrough in the field of renewable energy from the sun. Heres WIA Newsman Graham Kemp, VK4BB, with the details:

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The world's most successful solar cell breaks the 20% barrier

Aussie researchers teamed with Sun-tech Power to create Pluto Technology. The solar cells reached a production capacity last year of 0.5 gigawatts, worth more than 1 billion US dollars a year. This is enough to power 300,000 average homes that typically have eight solar panels on them for at least 25 years.

The Pluto Technology won a 2012 Collaborative Innovation Award Wednesday night at the Cooperative Research Centers Association conference in Adelaide.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News in Australia.

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Don't get your hopes up yet to replace your mains powered ham gear with these new solar cells. Further research and marketing is needed to make them a world-wide everyday home power source. (WIA News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

Before we go a quick note that the nominating period for the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award closed at midnight on May 30th. Over the coming days the submissions will be sent to the judging committee and a winner will be announced in a few weeks.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Fred Vobbe, W9HDU, in Lima, Ohio, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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880. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 1 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-01 11:08:33 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c92779f0a52204c167331b@google.com>
Source record: 2947
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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472 kHz and 5 MHz in Denmark

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BcJkta7VkGI/472%20khz_and_5_mhz_in_denmark.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Danish regulator the ERST has announced the availability for Radio Amateurs of 5250-5450 kHz and 472-479 kHz and an expansion to 70 MHz

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FCC permits medical devices in 2360-2400 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-dPQ2-5hkMM/fcc_permits_medical_devices_in_2360_2400_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FCC has decided to allow Medical Body Area Networks (MBAN) to operate in the 2360-2400 MHz band

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IOM Special Event Stations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hSnvNnwnlHg/iom_special_event_stations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GT4WAB will be QRV on Saturday 2 June from Ramsey in the Isle of Man (WAB SC49) for the Olympic Torch Relay. This is the only 'GT' station in the relay, and a rare chance to work the IOM Amateur Radio Society

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Secret Nuclear Bunker on the Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ltFVS__UEEQ/secret_nuclear_bunker_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Barking Radio and Electronics Society will be operating from the Secret Nuclear Bunker in Kelvedon Hatch, Essex for the International Museums Weekend

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The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is out and about during June

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z5YVxxSd0tg/mid_ulster_amateur_radio_club_is_out_and_about_during_june.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Saturday 2nd June, the Mid-Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be displaying
at 'The Lurgan Show' in Lurgan Park, Lurgan, Co Armagh

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DNkLy_9th_0/june_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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GB4QDJ

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s5REpkGzkQs/gb4qdj.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sands Contest Group will be operating the Special call sign GB4QDJ to
celebrate HRH Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond jubilee

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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EME 2012 Single night package

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kXShgflVuEo/eme_2012_single_night_package.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We have introduced one-night packages for those able to get to Cambridge in
time for the conference opening on Friday 17th and wish to leave after the

lecture program finishes on 18th

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Tony Prince joins Olympics DAB station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ezpn2P0m7W8/tony_prince_joins_olympics_dab_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Former pirate radio DJ Tony Prince will be part of the schedule when
International Radio Festival launches this summer

881. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 1 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-01 16:29:45 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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472 kHz and 5 MHz in Denmark

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 01:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348472-472-kHz-and-5-MHz-in-Denmark&goto=newpost

472 kHz and 5 MHz in Denmark

The Danish regulator the ERST has announced the availability for Radio Amateurs of 5250-5450 kHz and 472-479 kHz and an expansion to 70 MHz.

Effective June 1, 2012 the pilot scheme at 5 MHz will cease, and 5250 to 5450 kHz can be used by A and B Certificate holders using all modulation types with respectively 1000W and 100W maximum output power. Issued trial licenses are valid until expiry.

Denmark will also have an amateur radio band at 472-479 kHz from January 1, 2013.

Addionally ERST announced an expansion of 70 MHz which will become 69.9375-70.0625 MHz, 70.0875-70.1125 MHz and 70.1625-70.5125 MHz

Announcement on EDR website in Google English

http://tinyurl.com/bo88h99

Danish Regulator - ERST

https://www.retsinformation.dk/Forms...id=141490#Bil4

The 5 MHz Newsletter

http://tinyurl.com/7ylxz9z

(current edition)

G4MWO's Worldwide 5 MHz Amateur Allocations Chart

http://tinyurl.com/82rwq2b

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Nz4o mf/hf/6m radiowave propagation forecast #2012-23

Posted: 31 May 2012 06:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348362-Nz4o-mf-hf-6m-radiowave-propagation-forecast-2012-23&goto=newpost

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RADIOWAVE PROPAGATION FORECAST #2012-23

☐A Radiowave Propagation Forecast For Hams As Well As Shortwave Radio DXers And Listeners☐

Published on Friday Jun, 01 2012 at 0000 UTC. Valid 0000 UTC Saturday Jun 02, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday Jun 08, 2012

This daily condensed HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast can also be found at http://www.solarcycle24.org , http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarC...39198369462931 and http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/...o/spaceweather .

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

BAND: DAY -> NIGHT

80, 60 Meters: Poor -> Fair To Good

40, 30 Meters: Fair-> Fair To Good

20, 17, 15 Meters: Good -> Good

12, 10 Meters: Poor To Fair -> Poor

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

BAND: DAY -> NIGHT

80, 60 Meters: Fair -> Good

40, 30 Meters: Fair -> Good

20, 17, 15 Meters: Good To Excellent -> Good To Excellent

12, 10 Meters: Fair -> Poor

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY LATITUDE-

Low Latitude- Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Normal

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY LATITUDE-

Low Latitude- Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Normal

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 80, 60, 40, 30 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good To Excellent

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good To Excellent

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good To Excellent

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good To Excellent

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Poor To Fair

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair

FORECASTED FROM THE NORTHERN HEMISPHERE LONG PATH-

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial HF propagation conditions greater than

2000 mi/3200 km will be FAIR TO GOOD on 80, 60, 40 and 30 meters, GOOD on 20, 17, 15 and POOR TO FAIR on 12 and 10 meters.

FORECASTED FROM THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE LONG PATH-

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial HF propagation conditions greater than

2000 mi/3200 km will be GOOD on 80, 60, 40 and 30 meters, GOOD TO EXCELLENT on 20, 17, 15 and FAIR on 12 and 10 meters.

Magnetic Equator-

Low- 0-25 degrees

Mid- 25-60 degrees

High- 60-90 degrees

http://www.wcflunatall.com/geomagneticequator.gif

HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

GLOBAL 50000-54000 KC (6 Meters) PROPAGATION MODES EXPECTED FORECAST-

F2- None

Sporadic E (Es)- Yes

Aurora E High Latitude- Yes

Aurora E Mid Latitude- No

Troposphere Ducting- Yes

Trans Equatorial (TE) F2/F3- Yes

Meteor Scatter- No, excluding random meteors, lightning bolt plasma channels, space junk and alien spacecraft

Meter Band Equivalents

Ham SWL

160 90

80 75

60 60

40 49, 41

30 31, 25

20 22, 19

17 16, 15

15 13

12, 10 11

FORECASTED GLOBAL LIGHTNING NOISE (QRN)-

Northern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect VERY HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter season proximity

to the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) as well as cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low

pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect HIGH TO VERY HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect MODERATE TO HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect VERY HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer season

proximity to the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) and tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect HIGH TO VERY HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems, as well as tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect MODERATE TO HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Lightning Induced Noise (QRN) Forecast Scale-

Very High >+1 db Over S9

High- S7-9

Moderate- S4-6

Low- S1-3

None- S0

Standard Disclaimer-

Note! I use error prone RAW public domain data from the NOAA Space Environment Center, as well as other U.S. government organizations, to produce my radiowave propagation forecasts. This data is gathered and made public by the U.S. Government using taxpayer $$$. However the propagation forecast that I produce from the RAW public domain data is my personal intellectual property. Therefore this propagation forecast contained herein is copyrighted © 1988-2012 by Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O. Reproduction of and distribution of the propagation forecast herein is allowed without advanced permission as long as proper credit is given.

Also space weather forecasting is still an inexact science. The forecasts are not official but for hobby related purposes only and are subject to human error and acts of God, therefore no guarantee or warranty implied.

73 & GUD DX,

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NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast: http://www.solarcycle24.org

Harmful Man Induced (Anthropogenic) Climate Change (Global Warming) Refuted: http://www.globalwarminglie.org

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UK Information Commissioner - RSGB 'Unlikely' to have complied with Data Protection.

Posted: 31 May 2012 02:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348351-UK-Information-Commissioner-RSGB-Unlikely-to-have-complied-with-Data-Protection&goto=newpost

The UK's Information Commissioner has this morning issued the outcome of a complaint made against the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) concerning data protection issues.

In its three-page report, it concludes that 'on the basis of all the information available, we have decided that it is unlikely that the Society

have complied with the requirements of the DPA.'

The conclusion goes on to say 'This is because on this occasion, it appears the Society were unable to satisfy a condition in schedule 2 of the DPA for disclosing [the complainant's] personal data to third parties and, furthermore, doing so was unlikely to be within [the complainant's] reasonable expectations.'

The incident arose when correspondence sent to the RSGB was allegedly sent by e-mail to eleven members of an external organisation.

The RSGB has been asked to consider the information provided to it by the ICO and steps have been taken by the RSGB to prevent the situation from happening again.

No one was available this morning from the RSGB for comment on the ICO's findings.

882. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 1 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-01 16:30:35 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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PG6MILL windmill weekend/ The Netherlands

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 02:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348474-PG6MILL-windmill-weekend-The-Netherlands&goto=newpost

Members of PI4WNO were active during the Windmill weekend 12 & 13 may.

A video of this event can be viewed here:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BO8D6jB7TnA

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E5/KC9UUS and E5/KC9URR on Cyprus June 2-17

Posted: 31 May 2012 03:21 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348426-E5-KC9UUS-and-E5-KC9URR-on-Cyprus-June-2-17&goto=newpost

KC9UUS will be leading his first DXpedition to Cyprus along with KC9URR.
They will be operating holiday schedule on the island of Cyprus from June
2nd-June 17th. 20 meter phone is the preferred mode but others may be
possible. Only phone, no CW this time. KC9UUS is a 15 year old Extra Class
Amateur Radio operator.

Thanks!

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Margarita Island Los Roques Islands

Posted: 31 May 2012 01:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348412-Margarita-Island-Los-Roques-Islands&goto=newpost

UA9YAB and UA9YPS will be active from Margarita Island (IOTA SA-012) and
Los Roques Islands (IOTA SA-035) 2-9 August 2012 as YV7/UA9YAB, YV7/UA9YPS
and YV5/UA9YAB , YV5/UA9YPS

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ab_yv5-ua9yps/

73 Al 4L5A

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Museum Ships on the Air!

Posted: 31 May 2012 05:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348361-Museum-Ships-on-the-Air!&goto=newpost

This weekend - Museum Ships on the Air!

98 Historic ships will be operating here is the link
http://www.nj2bb.org/museum

For working the USS Alabama Battleship and USS Drum Submarine please view
W6Z here on QRZ

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W6Z -- USS ALABAMA & USS DRUM on the Air this weekend!

Posted: 30 May 2012 09:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348346-W6Z-USS-ALABAMA-amp-USS-DRUM-on-the-Air-this-weekend!&goto=newpost

This weekend is the annual ships weekend special event. 98 ships will be on
the air this weekend. Here is the link for further details.

http://www.nj2bb.org/museum

Special Note: Working the Alabama station W6Z counts for working two ships.
Both the USS Alabama Battleship and the USS Drum Submarine moored in
Battleship Park, Mobile, Alabama. Look a the W6Z page in QRZ for photos and
further details on how to work W6Z.

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All Aboard for Museum Ships Weekend

Posted: 30 May 2012 03:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348310-All-Aboard-for-Museum-Ships-Weekend&goto=newpost

All Aboard!

Members of the USS Oklahoma and USS Batfish Amateur Radio Club will host
members of the Middle School Radio Club, KF5CRF. Several of their 15
licensed students will be participating from inside the USS Batfish during
2012 Museum Ships Weekend (MSW), June 2 and 3, 2012 (0000Z June 2, through
2359Z June 3, 2012.

Coordination for this level of activity began at HamCom in Plano, TX, when
Wade Harris KF5IF, meet with several students of the Viking Radio Club last
June (2011), at the time, only 2 students were licensed. Harris, Trustee
for the USS Batfish WW2SUB, and USS Oklahoma WW2OK, invited the students to
join his team in 2012 for the MSW event in Muskogee, OK.

Students arrive on Saturday about mid-morning. After a short tour of the
facility, submarine and a visit to the USS Oklahoma Memorial, the students
will take to the airwaves. The voices may sound younger then you might
expect for someone participating in a hi-tempo environment such as MSW.
Students range in age from 12 to 14 except KF5LLG age 10.

Operations will include phone and digital, with digital primarily being PSK31. Efforts are underway to bring a live web cam video stream from the event. Visit www.hamsoncams.com" target="_blank">www.hamsoncams.com and select the KC5CYY or K5USA link to view the stream. The Oklahoma War Memorial Park, where the USS Batfish and USS Oklahoma Memorial Mast are displayed is located along the Arkansas River and fairly remote from the city, video and audio quality may be less than perfect.

For more information about MSW, QSL and certificate, including frequencies and modes, visit www.nj2bb.org" target="_blank">www.nj2bb.org, the MSW sponsor. KF5CRF is mentored by Clifton Harper, KE5YZB a middle school teacher.

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museums on the air

Posted: 30 May 2012 09:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348255-museums-on-the-air&goto=newpost

hi all I will be hosting a museum on the air on 15th 16th June from the Belleek pottery museum in Belleek County Fermanagh N/Ireland call sign GB1BPM opperating mainly on 20 around 14.220 and possible on 2mts around 145.550 mhz hope to speak to most of you

Eddie Murphy

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eHam.net News

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NASA Astronaut to Speak at Sea-Pac Convention in Seaside:

Posted: 31 May 2012 05:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28412

SEASIDE - NASA astronaut Michael Barratt, a veteran of a long-duration mission to the International Space Station and the last mission of space shuttle Discovery, will be the featured speaker at the Sea-Pac Northwest Amateur Radio Convention banquet on June 2. Sea-Pac members from five northwestern states will hear a motivational keynote address titled "Living in the Ultimate Ham Platform." During his presentation, Barratt (amateur call sign KD7MIJ) will discuss his most recent spaceflight mission, living aboard the station and the use of ham radio on the orbiting laboratory. The presentation begins at 8:30 p.m. at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center at 415 First Ave. in Seaside.

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W6G Salutes Golden Gate Anniversary:

Posted: 31 May 2012 05:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28411

The San Francisco Amateur Radio Club helped mark the 75th anniversary of the opening of the Golden Gate Bridge by contacting other amateur radio operators this Memorial Day weekend. Working with the California Historical Society, the club operated on five amateur bands using special call sign W6G. It transmitted from its home station at the San Francisco Veteran's Administration Medical Center and was assisted by the Marin County Amateur Radio Club.

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Aubrey R. Bishop Jr., KB1EDJ (SK):

Posted: 31 May 2012 05:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28410

Aubrey Randall Bishop Jr. of Georgetown, a retired business owner, died Monday at Cedar Glen in Danvers on his birthday. He was 75. Mr. Bishop was born in Lynn and grew up in Saugus before moving to Georgetown in 1970. He served in the National Guard. Mr. Bishop turned a boyhood interest in cars into a career when he opened Bishop's Auto Body and Paint Supply in Lynn. In his retirement, he worked in the home circulation department of the Eagle Tribune. Mr. Bishop also served as a volunteer fireman with

Georgetown's Erie Fire Association No. 4 for more than 40 years. A ham radio enthusiast, he served as treasurer of the Quannapowitt Radio Association. He was a member of the Masons, serving as treasurer of the Ipswich Ferson Royal Arch Chapter and later as treasurer emeritus.

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Proposal: MARS -- Army, Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps Under Single Leader

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28406

Members of Congress have proposed placing the three Branches of MARS:Army, Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps:under a single leader to improve interoperation and coordination.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #22:

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28404

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by IT9GCG, NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28403

This Week in Radiosport:

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FCC Expands Part 95 Medradio Rules to Allow Devices in 2360-2400 MHz Band:

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28402

In a First Report and Order and a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ET 08-59) released on May 24, the FCC decided to expand the Part 95 Personal Radio Service rules to allow medical devices to operate on a secondary basis in the 2360-2400 MHz band. These devices -- called Medical Body Area Networks (MBAN) -- provide a way for health care facilities to monitor their patients via wireless networks. Because use of these frequencies will be on a secondary basis, MBAN stations will not be allowed to cause interference to -- and must accept interference from -- primary services, including radio amateurs who operate on a primary basis in the 2390-2395 MHz and 2395-2400 MHz bands.

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House Armed Services Committee 'Urges' MARS Coordination:

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28401

On May 18, the US House of Representatives approved HR 4310, The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013. This bill authorizes appropriations for military activities and prescribes military personnel strengths for Fiscal Year 2013. When the House Armed Services Committee sent the bill to the House, it included language in support of the Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS) and called for the three MARS branches -- Army, Air Force and Navy/Marine Corps -- to be brought under one umbrella.

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Have Some Fun in the 2012 ARRL June VHF QSO Party:

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28400

There will be lots of RF generated on 6 meters and up the weekend of June 9-11 during the 2012 ARRL June VHF QSO Party. While many amateurs think of the VHF+ bands as a "local" band for public service, emergency communications or even a bit of fun on FM repeaters, weak-signal VHF+ enthusiasts know better. Even with a modest station, it's possible to work hundreds -- or even thousands -- of miles on the VHF bands during a good opening.

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Announcing the Winners of the 2012 QST Video Contest:

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28399

First Place, Amateur: Erin King, AK4JG: Erin -- along with her mentor and members of the Columbus (Georgia) Amateur Radio Club (CARC) -- sent a weather balloon and a
high-definition video camera to an altitude of over 90,000 feet. They tracked the balloon across the Georgia countryside using APRS and managed to recover the payload from the branches of a towering pine tree. The resulting video is nothing short of spectacular.

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NZ4O HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

Posted: 31 May 2012 04:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28396

NZ4O HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

884. "Credible Amelia Earhart radio signals were ignored as bogus"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 01:00:01 UTC
From: patty1@sonic.net
Message-ID: <4fc95692$0$35532$742ec2ed@news.sonic.net>
Source record: 2851
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"Dozens of previously dismissed radio signals were actually credible
transmissions from Amelia Earhart, according to a new study of the
alleged post-loss signals from Earhart's plane."

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/47653021/ns/technology_and_science-science/#.T8lTjL-9Uto

Some of the signals thought by these researchers to be valid were heard
by both commercial and amateur radio operators.

Patty

885. HOT SEX BED ROOM VIDEOS AND 200 BEST ACTRESSES PHOTOS]]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 01:19:13 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <dfceacef-809d-4e5b-bb31-174ecf0e45ab@n9g2000pbi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2852

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

886. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 1 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 02:19:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403efe1f69904c173edab@google.com>
Source record: 2853
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators to demonstrate capabilities - TCPalm

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 12:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGLvyqvEW1fnzF5xDHZ_5c6Rh4cdw&url=http://www.tcpalm.com/news/2012/jun/01/ham-radio-operators-to-demonstrate-capabilities/

Ham radio operators to demonstrate capabilities
TCPalm
By news release Thousands of ham radio operators worldwide will show off their emergency capabilities the fourth weekend of June. The Martin County Amateur Radio Association and Martin County Amateur Radio Emergency Service are demonstrating amateur ...

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The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is out and about during June - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 31 May 2012 11:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGlWacPlxBCT3R6xVHIuJ_Y7EC-nA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/mid_ulster_amateur_radio_club_is_out_and_about_during_june.htm

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is out and about during June
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
On Saturday 2 nd June, the Mid-Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be displaying at The Lurgan Show in Lurgan Park, Lurgan, Co Armagh. The Show caters for both the agricultural and the local community with displays and activities for every member of the ...
Radio Club in on the actPortadown Times

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Announcing the Winners of the 2012 QST Video Contest: - eHam.net

Posted: 31 May 2012 11:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEB1YBE_zMlhxXUj3NRCBpIcyzDFQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28399

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http://www.w4cvy.org/) -- sent a weather balloon and a high-definition
video camera to an altitude of over 90000 feet.

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Previously dismissed radio signals were credible transmissions from Earhart
- Fox News

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 05:27 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGguZXssTOC6DRtqUqI1aAqk3dzDw&url=http://www.foxnews.com/scitech/2012/06/01/previously-dismissed-radio-signals-were-credible-transmissions-from-earhart/

Previously dismissed radio signals were credible transmissions from Earhart
Fox News
Dozens of previously dismissed radio signals were actually credible
transmissions from Amelia Earhart, according to a new study of the alleged
post-loss signals from Earharts plane. The transmissions started riding the
air waves just hours after ...

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NASA astronaut to speak at Sea-Pac Convention in Seaside - Seaside Signal

Posted: 30 May 2012 09:43 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHtY5qebiLLsrEizKBs5AnD3odX9g&url=http://www.seasidesignal.com/news/article_5505d99c-aa6f-11e1-b440-001a4bcf887a.html

NASA astronaut to speak at Sea-Pac Convention in Seaside
Seaside Signal
During his presentation, Barratt (amateur call sign KD7MIJ) will discuss
his most recent spaceflight mission, living aboard the station and the use
of ham radio on the orbiting laboratory. The presentation begins at 8:30 pm
at the Seaside Civic and ...

and more

887. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 2 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 06:38:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411cf888fa904c1778b5a@google.com>
Source record: 2854
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Info on akron-canton-ohio swap n swap

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 02:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348473-Info-on-akron-canton-ohio-swap-n-swap&goto=newpost

Looking for the callsign of "Tony" who runs the 147.015 Tuesday nights swap n shop ,or his phone number,need to contact him, Idon't have a 2 meter rig right now to ask anyone locally here ,please ee mail and info to me at:

GALAXYELC9@YAHOO.COM

BOB WN8BOB

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LY Hamfest 2012

Posted: 31 May 2012 02:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348421-LY-Hamfest-2012&goto=newpost

Every summer Lithuanian Radio Amateurs gather to take part in their traditional HAMFEST at a beautiful spot in Lithuania. Lithuanian Amateur Radio Society (LRMD) is organizing LY HAMFEST - 2012 and invites radio amateurs from all over the world to attend.

More at:

http://www.hamradionews.net/2012/05/...fest-2012.html

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hamradionews.net

888. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 2 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 11:02:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5396a0ae8122d04c17b3c1a@google.com>
Source record: 2855
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Take part in the annual On-The-Air Station Test from WX4NHC at the National
Hurricane Center

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GoV2dWxgG0k/on_the_air_station_test.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The annual WX4NHC On-the-Air Station Test from the National Hurricane
Center (NHC) in Miami will take place Saturday, June 2, 1300-2100 UTC (9 AM
- 5 PM EDT)

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Two weeks to HAM CON

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ulRXUbMONes/two_weeks_to_ham_con.htm?ut
m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham Con - The Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference - will take place
on Saturday 16th June at the Technology Education Centre in Omagh

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GB2CWP active on Mon 4th June

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GN4GGmQyfus/gb2cwp_active.htm?utm_sourc
e=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Lincoln Short Wave Club Special Event station GB2CWP at the
Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre in East Kirkby will be active between
1000hrs and 1600hrs on Monday the 4th of June

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100% Intermediate Pass for Chelmsford

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wiFJsdzpDiY/100%25_intermediate_pass_fo
r_chelmsford.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) had another 100% pass rate with
all 10 candidates passing the Intermediate exam held on May 31

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Free RSGB membership

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QfSpg8c9T1g/free_rsgb_membership.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB are offering free membership to any licensed amateurs under the age of 21 and to those under 26 in full time education

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Special centenary callsign for WIA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nDj-fZpu10E/special_centenary_callsign_for_wia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

2012 is the Centenary of the Wireless Institute of Australia being established in the State of Queensland, Australia

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GB60HRH to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wJgBl-7_5SU/gb60hrh_to_celebrate_the_diamond_jubilee.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Sunday 3rd June 2012, a team from Wakefield and District Radio Society will operate GB60HRH to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

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NZ4O Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m22YWaxpI9U/propagation_forecast_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A Radiowave Propagation Forecast For Hams As Well As Shortwave Radio DXers And Listeners. Valid 0000 UTC Saturday Jun 02, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday Jun 08, 2012

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_up_6DfoGok/june_02.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers sank more than 28 points this week (nearly 26%) to 81.9

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AMSAT-NA Board of Director Nominations

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6c5Tn5GKokE/amsat_na_board_of_director_nominations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A final reminder that nominations for the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors
elections are due by June 15th

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Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party Award reminder

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iNjbfdWPMFY/queens_diamond_jubilee_qso_party_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateurs are reminded that the Q special prefix runs until 10 June and that
contacts with stations using this special prefix count to the award for
those who wish to apply for their Queen's Diamond Jubilee QSO Party Award

889. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 2 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 16:17:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341277950ef204c17fa2fa@google.com>
Source record: 2856
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Ri0nz, popov island.as-066. Iota-2012

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 01:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348588-Ri0nz-popov-island-as-066-Iota-2012&goto=newpost

Vladimir, UA0LCZ will be active as RI0NZ from Popov Island,AS-066

between July 24-30.2012

QSL via H/c - bureau or direct.

890. SARL News in English 2/6/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 17:29:56 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <DC30E30B79F94C45A3710F95FF8E9304@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2857
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 3 JUNE 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 FM from Pretoria with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

Neville de Gruchy - ZS6AON, of Florida became silent key on Saturday the 12th of May. He was a long time amateur with also an interest in the solar system and aircraft. He is survived by his XYL Sylvia, to whom he was married for 63 years. His son Aubin, is currently living in the UK and his daughter Lynn, is with her mother, Sylvia.

Our sincere condolences to his relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

TONY VOORVELD ZS6CCD AT THE RTAs

YOUTH DAY EVENT

SKA TO FEATURE ON THE NEXT INTECNET

REPEATER WORK GROUP MEETS ON 23 JUNE

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

TONY VOORVELD ZS6CCD AT THE RTAs

Tony Voorveld, ZS6CCD, well known for his animated presentations, will this year speak at the Durban, Cape Town and Johannesburg Radio Technology in Action (RTA) symposiums. Unfortunately he is not available for the Port Elizabeth leg of the event. Radio Amateurs in the Eastern Cape should stay tuned to SARL NEWS, we will have a

surprise in store for your RTA. Tony will talk and demonstrate "Sounds from Nature" and no, it is not about wildlife, but something more scientific but yet fun. You don't want to miss it!

The Durban date announced last week was incorrect. It will be held on Saturday 21 July. Here are the dates for the other centres as well: Cape Town 11 August, Port Elizabeth 1 September and Johannesburg 29 September.

YOUTH DAY EVENT

The SARL has an agreement with ICASA that will allow unlicensed persons to operate an amateur radio station under the supervision of a licensed radio amateur without the need to register as an educational station. Here is further incentive to set up a demonstration station, involve the youth in the youth day sprint and show the man in the street how great amateur radio is.

Clubs and individuals setting up a demonstration of amateur radio in a public area as part of National Amateur Radio Day are invited to order brochures from the NARC. A new metal pin badge is also available in limited quantities to be handed to young people visiting and operating a special event station. Visit www.sarl.org.za for more details. Please send details of what you or your club are planning for 16 June 2012 to artoday@sarl.org.za so that it may be included in the media releases and radio interviews.

In keeping with the spirit of National amateur Radio Day, Peter Davies, ZS6IQ, will be braving the cold and will operate from his boat "Jokerman" on the Vaal Dam near Deneysville. The location will change from time to time but the boat can be tracked on www.aprs.fi lookup the callsign ZS6IQ-9. All contacts will receive a special QSL card and will be logged on qrz.com. 40 m will be the preferred band. Look up ZS6IQ on qrz.com for info on the day.

SKA TO FEATURE ON THE NEXT INTECNET

Prof Justin Jonas of the SKA team will be the guest on the next Interactive Technical Net (INTECNET) on Sunday 17 June 2012. The net will start at 19:30. Prof Jonas will talk about what part of the SKA will come to South Africa and highlight the science that will be done. He will also participate in an interactive session and answer questions from radio amateurs around the country.

Clubs wishing to link their repeater to the Intecnet interactive audio stream are invited to send details of their landline number to artoday@sarl.org.za.

REPEATER WORK GROUP MEETS ON 23 JUNE

The SARL Repeater manager, Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ, invites all division 6 clubs to send their representative to the repeater work group meeting to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre (NARC) at 09:00 on

Saturday 23 June 2012. The representatives are requested to bring the following documentation:

1) All technical reports of tests done on 14,76 5 MHz and 145,687 5 MHz repeaters as discussed and agreed at the January 2012 meeting and contained in the minutes.

2) The 2012 paid ICASA licence of all the unmanned equipment under the club's control;

3) New proposals for new unmanned station installations;

4) Proposals for any current or planned future unmanned station.

ICASA has made it very clear that documentation for any and all temporary repeater installations should be submitted to the SARL. Should they find any repeaters active on air that do not correspond to their database, or the official SARL listing, ICASA will cancel the license. Information should sent to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za.

To assist with catering arrangements, please send details of who will be attending to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za.

RSGB BACKS OFCOM

The Radio Society of Great Britain has offered a formal response in support telecommunication regulator Ofcom's inquiry on proposed new anti-interference regulations. The laws are to provide the telecommunications regulator with powers to take action in cases of interference from non-wireless telecommunications apparatus.

The RSGB says that the immediate proposal is to implement the new regulations in time for the upcoming Olympic Games. It adds that this action by Ofcom highlights the point that the RSGB has advocated on many occasions that being the need for Ofcom to have statutory powers in cases of serious interference to the spectrum from non-wireless apparatus.

Ofcom has indicated that it intends to prepare these regulations for ongoing use after the Olympic Games. Part of the RSGB response emphasizes the need for such regulatory enforcement powers.

LICENSE FEE

The fee to keep your call sign should have been paid by 30 April. If you forgot, please do so now.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with small but quiet sunspots.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 56.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent and mostly on east-west paths.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

16 June - Youth Day event. Remember to be on the lookout for Peter, ZS1IQ, on the Vaal Dam. 16 June - Intechnet at 17:30 with Prof Justin Jonas about the SKA. 323 June - Repeater work group meeting at 09:00 at the NARC. Send information to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za. Pay your license and save a lot of paper work!

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Flip Britz ZS4GE, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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891. eHam.net News for Saturday 2 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-02 22:32:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04479f8b6f8eb504c184dec2@google.com>
Source record: 2858
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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130 Skywarn Spotters Train in Chicopee:

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 05:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28416

CHICOPEE, Mass. (wwlp) - On the eve of the one year anniversary of the June first tornado, a very timely weather conference in Chicopee. 130 people came to the National Weather Service Skywarn training seminar held at 22News studios Thursday night. They came to be certified and re-certified as "Skywarn Spotters," capable of identifying and reporting severe weather and damage. "We can verify that there is a tornado on the ground. Or there is damage. Or there's hail or extreme flooding, street flooding. Just different types of storm damage and verify it and tell the National Weather Service," said Eric Tuller, a skywarn coordinator from Ware. Many of these "weather spotters" are also Ham Radio Operators, who form an emergency reporting network. Among them, Jim brisbois from Chesterfield.

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ARNewsline Report 1816 -- June 1 2012:

Posted: 31 May 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28415

The following is a Q-S-T. Italian hams called out as earthquakes hit near the city of Bologna; South African hams ready to respond after mine disaster, more on Icom's support of the Boy Scouts of America and a new plateau in solar energy is reached down-under. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1816 coming your way right now.

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Take Part in the Annual On-The-Air Station Test from WX4NHC at the NHC:

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 12:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28414

The annual WX4NHC On-the-Air Station Test from the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami will take place Saturday, June 2, 1300-2100 UTC (9 AM - 5 PM EDT). "The purpose of this annual station test is to test all of our radio equipment, computers and antennas using as many modes and frequencies as possible in preparation for this year's hurricane season," said WX4NHC Assistant Amateur Radio Volunteer Coordinator Julio Ripoll, WD4R. "This is not a contest or simulated hurricane exercise."

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #22 de K7RA:

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 12:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28413

Average daily sunspot numbers sank more than 28 points this week (nearly 26%) to 81.9. Average daily solar flux declined more than 16 points to 111.6. This is for the seven days of May 24-30, and is compared to the previous seven days, May 17-23.

892. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 2 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-03 02:23:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411cfac7c6f04c1881919@google.com>
Source record: 2859
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio enthusiasts share their passion - Knoxville News Sentinel

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 02:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHEAAP6Mw5r4b2bns0dA1gzImnH_g&url=http://www.knoxnews.com/news/2012/jun/02/ham-radio-enthusiasts-share-their-passion/

Ham radio enthusiasts share their passion
Knoxville News Sentinel
Amateur radio operators from around East Tennessee will ham it up this month at two events in Knoxville. The Radio Amateur Club of Knoxville will hold its annual hamfest next Saturday from 8:30 am to 4 pm at the Kerbela Temple, 315 Mimosa Ave.
Ham radio operators to demonstrate capabilitiesTCPalm

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Astronaut Barratt Speaks at Sea-Pac Northwest Amateur Radio Convention banquet - Space Ref (press release)

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 12:05 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGy0QOHo9RSA5Vpy4mq56xgOUIdwg&url=http://www.spaceref.com/calendar/calendar.html?pid%3D7461

Oregon Coast Beach Connection
Astronaut Barratt Speaks at Sea-Pac Northwest Amateur Radio Convention banquet
Space Ref (press release)
During his presentation, Barratt (handle KDMIJ) will discuss his most recent spaceflight mission, living aboard the station and the use of ham radio on the orbiting laboratory. The presentation begins at 8:30 pm PDT at the Seaside Civic and Convention ...
Astronaut to speak in Seaside SaturdayChinook Observer
NASA Astronaut Lands on Oregon Coast, Speaks at ConventionOregon Coast Beach Connection

all 3 news articles

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ARNewsline Report 1816 -- June 1 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 01:16 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF9n0egGDIM4Nj36wUi-qYOPQHIhg&url=http:

//www.eham.net/articles/28415

ARNewsline Report 1816 -- June 1 2012:
eHam.net
As we mentioned briefly last week, one of the biggest surprises to come out of Hamvention 2012 was an announcement that Icom and the Boy Scouts of America are joining forces to give scouts a new and exciting access point to ham radio. Amateur Radio ...

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Haida part of Museum Ships on the Air - Hamilton Spectator

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 09:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFHX5YJRPwOczhRgTEARoLfM_BhyQ&url=http://www.thespec.com/news/local/article/736292--haida-part-of-museum-ships-on-the-air

Haida part of Museum Ships on the Air
Hamilton Spectator
Amateur radio operators will be able to talk with ships from Europe, Australia and the United States in this unique event first launched in 2001 by the Battleship New Jersey, which is stationed in Camden, NJ, and sponsored by the vessels amateur radio ...

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Radio operator uses hobby as community service - Victoria Advocate

Posted: 24 May 2012 12:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEpcBM5Vxit_9qVbtmFnqsOW0JnOw&url=http://www.victoriaadvocate.com/news/2012/may/23/mc_ham_052412_177406/?career%2520news%26local-business

Victoria Advocate
Radio operator uses hobby as community service
Victoria Advocate
Traditional channels of communication might break in an emergency - that includes some radio signals. Amateur radio emergency system operators like Wagner can relay the information that keeps chaos from breaking out in communities. Getting a ham radio ...

and more

893. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 3 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-03 11:06:49 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9998a2204c18f698b@google.com>
Source record: 2860
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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STEM education identified as critical for continued rides to space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pzAnyhPtuyM/stem_education_identified_as_critical_for_continued_rides_to_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AMSAT Forum at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention featured news of the
educational opportunities for AMSAT to contribute to the innovation in
attracting and retaining students in science, technology, engineering and
mathematics, or STEM, disciplines. Educators have identified STEM programs
as a priority in strengthening the Nation's future workforce

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Volunteers gear up for NW 200

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zpx7jstWmPE/volunteers_gear_up_for_nw_200.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A BBC News report on the North-West 200 motorbike road race, May 13-19,
mentions the involvement of BBC Radio Ulster newsreader Keith Burnside
GI4IYO and the amateur radio emergency network RAYNET

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Radio Hams at Grantham Museum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MugcEzm3de8/radio_hams_at_grantham_museum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC reports that Grantham Museum has reopened in time for the Diamond
Jubilee and there'll be an amateur radio station there this weekend

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AMSAT-UK Colloquium 2012 - second call for speakers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z7YnYhBPrxc/amsat_uk_colloquium_2012_second_call_for_speakers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is the second call for speakers for the AMSAT-UK International Space
Colloquium 2012 which, due to the Olympic and Paralympic Games, will be
held the weekend of September 15-16, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Guildford,
GU2 7XZ, United Kingdom

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vFiUwhk8s0Q/june_03.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. The sun's surface is peppered with small but quiet sunspots

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Repeater Work Group meets on June 23

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-DHZElCZNW0/repeater_work_group_meets_on_june_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SARL Repeater manager, Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ, invites all division 6 clubs to send their representative to the repeater work group meeting to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre (NARC) at 09:00 on Saturday 23 June 2012

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Caboolture Radio Club celebrates WIA Centennary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pfbv3teXXWU/caboolture_radio_club_celebrates_wia_centennary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Caboolture Radio Club, call sign VK4QD, will be celebrating 100 Years of the WIA in Queensland from Saturday to Monday, 16th to 18th June using the special event call sign VK100WIQ

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BBC promotes polluting PLA devices

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/b5cYqCwLrXg/bbc_promotes_polluting_pla_devices.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC TV show Click promotes the Homeplug PLA device. Power Line Adaptors are known for ruining people's enjoyment of radio

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Incredible Sunspot 1429

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bR8Lyd1a0j8/incredible_sunspot_1429.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Rebekah Evans of the NASA Space Weather Center reports on sunspot 1429

894. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 3 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-03 16:23:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61385abee8e804c193d61c@google.com>
Source record: 2861
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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YL0WFF

Posted: 03 Jun 2012 05:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348730-YL0WFF&goto=newpost

YL0WFF

Latvian HAM's activity from Slitere National Park (www.slitere.lv)
YLFF-004 and Slitere Lighthouse ARLHS-LAT015 in Slitere Traveller's Days on
June 2-3 2012. Operator's: YL2CF, YL2CQ, YL3AD, YL2ON and visiting HAM's.

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Gb0fp international museums on the air 16/18 & 23/25 june 2012.

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 11:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348638-Gb0fp-international-museums-on-the-air-16-18-amp-23-25-june-2012&goto=newpost

INTERNATIONAL MUSEUMS ON THE AIR 16/18 & 23/25 JUNE 2012.

DSC02824.jpg

GB0FP

This year again see□s Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club participating
in this event.

Operating from both the club house station and the new mobile shack station
within the grounds of

FORT PAULL museum.

This has been one of our popular events in past years with over 10,000
stations contacted worldwide!!!...

Listen for GB0FP on 160,80,40,20 & local vhf or check out the DX
clusters....

Regards

Andy G7LRR

Vice Chairman

Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club

Attached Images

DSC02824.jpg
(105.0 KB)

895. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 3 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-03 16:25:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b100b83f04c193dd11@google.com>
Source record: 2862
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Well-known DXpeditioner Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI arrested in Greece
for "espionage"

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 01:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348650-Well-known-DXpeditioner-Baldur-Drobnica-DJ6SI-arrested-in-Greece-for-quot-espionage-quot&goto=newpost

http://sv2dcd.blogspot.de/2012/05/wh...thorities.html

http://sv8cs.blogspot.co.uk/2012/05/...ncredible.html

http://sv5byr.blogspot.co.uk/2012/05...at-greece.html

Three Greek hams are announcing on their blogs that well-known DXpeditioner Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI has been arrested in Greece allegedly for espionage, while in holiday on the island of Kos. He was □producing strange noises□ with his computer (CW and RTTY). His activity was spotted on DX clusters. The first blog is featuring a video with explanations in Greek language presented by Baldur□s lawyer. Baldur says in German that he is going to complain to Amnesty International and he answers a question of the lawyer saying that he never experienced such a treatment from authorities of the 70 countries he visited as a DXpeditioner. But he almost lost his life when trying to activate Spratly Island in 1983. Two of his colleagues died. See details on

http://www.dokufunk.org/amateur_radi...2a578ce3c25e79

The current story was covered on my website too in Romanian. Google translation is available on the main page. I am sure the YO hams will keep their fingers crossed for Baldur, who made so many DXers happy with his tremendous activity on the amateur radio bands since 1962. Maybe letters to the Greek authorities would help?

http://yo4px.blogspot.com

Francisc, YO4PX

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Hurricane Watch Net Enters 47th Season

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 11:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348642-Hurricane-Watch-Net-Enters-47th-Season&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio□s Hurricane Watch Net is geared up and ready for its 47th year of activity. Formed in 1965 by Jerry Murphy, (Amateur radio call sign K8YUW), during Hurricane Betsy, the Hurricane Watch Net was an informal group of radio amateurs who recognized a need to provide communications to and from hurricane affected areas. Over the years the net has relayed reports in to the National Hurricane Center and just as importantly out to the many Amateur Radio stations located in the path of hurricanes.

While the net continues to use original HF radio frequencies, typically 14.325 MHz, the inner workings have grown with today□s technologies. To the casual listener the net is anchored by a single net control station, but there might be as many as a dozen net control stations located all over the United States and in the islands all connected to an Internet channel while this is going on. This instant □back-channel□ communication helps accommodate the shifting radio coverage on the HF bands. It also helps coordinate operation on multiple HF frequencies. When a maritime Amateur Radio operator or one on an island reports weather conditions in a storm all of those net control stations are listening. At times, the acting control operator will lose propagation and another will pick the report up. The control stations will then coordinate a □shift□ with the better positioned station picking up the net. All together there are 37 control operators, spread from Florida to Arizona to Canada all with the idea of adequate communication into the storm affected area.

The back channel communication also serves as a conversational link to the National Hurricane Center in Miami, FL where hurricane experts can request information and reports from our net stations, and confirm the data we supply.

Many of the tools we use to conduct the net are available to all through the official Hurricane Watch net website, http://www.hwn.org. These tools include color graphics of a storm□s position and forecast direction, conversion tools to handle different measuring standards, and the latest detailed reports and forecasts from the NHC. The HWN is also working to keep a database of our frequent contributors so that we don□t need to repeatedly ask your location and details, but get right to your reporting.

This technology of Internet-relayed satellite pictures, radar positions and statements may raise the question of why maintain contact on □old fashioned□ HF radio. The storms of last year again proved to answer that- by taking out power, blocking satellite signals and otherwise interrupting technology. As we□ve come to expect, it left the Ham Radio Operator who has the ability to put a signal out with trained, detailed observations to keep the rest of the world appraised.

The primary reason for our overwhelming success over the 46 years of our existence is hundreds of fellow amateur radio operators in the affected area who monitor the storm's progress and voluntarily bring to us that data which is so vitally important. You need not be a member to enable those vital reports to us. Additionally, we often find ourselves needing relay assistance to capture essential information. We always appreciate your cooperation by allowing a clear frequency so that we can hear weak and

impaired signals which might be coming from an affected area. For more information on how you can participate in the Hurricane Watch Net, visit http://www.hwn.org.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1816 June 1 2012

Posted: 01 Jun 2012 11:34 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348583-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1816--June-1-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1816 ☐ June 1 2012

Note: This week is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline report running 35 minutes, 37 seconds and contains three breaks at 9:56, 19:12 and 25:46 respectively. Actual newscast begins now:

896. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 3rd June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-03 20:00:15 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120603200003.8876133C98@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2863
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 3rd June 2012

Echo Ireland

The latest edition of Echo Ireland, contains a report on the society's recent Annual General Meeting as well as the Committee Report and annual accounts presented to the AGM.

Recent activities dealt with in Echo Ireland include the very successful EJ0PL expedition to Little Saltee Island, the Skerries Radio Club's Mills On The Air weekend at Skerries Mill, the Titanic Special Event Operation (EI1MGY) by the Mayo Radio Experimenters Network and the Lough Erne Rally.

EI2KC's "HF Happenings" column has reports from a number of EI DXers, as well as details of recent and forthcoming DXpeditions. Anthony EI2KC also reports on his recent visit to the shack of Tony EI7JN. In another "Excerpt from the HX Files", Pat EI2HX describes how he went about extending one of his existing ATV antennas, while in the "Contest Corner", contest manager Thos EI2JD has some advice for contesters on sticking to band plans.

The June Echo Ireland should be with members within the next few days.

Change in 40 Metre News Frequency

The present 40 metre radio news frequency has become increasingly busier on Sunday mornings. This has lead on occasions to some difficulty in the reception of both the bulletins and the reports on the transmissions. It has been decided, therefore, to move the transmission of the 40 metre news to a new frequency of 7123 kHz on and from Sunday the 1st of July. This frequency was selected after monitoring a range of frequencies over a period of time by amateurs who use this particular transmission of the radio news bulletin.

Licence Examination

There are just over two weeks left in which to apply to sit the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held on Thursday 28th June at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The closing date for

entries is Thursday 14 June. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and are allocated on a first come first served basis. Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form. Please note over half the available places for this examination have already been allocated.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

SEARG, for the 5th successive year again has taken part in the Geoparks Communications weekend which runs in conjunction with European Geoparks Week. The event took place over the weekend of the 26th and 27th of May and the club operated using the callsign EI2GEO from the old copper mine at Tankardstown, near Bunmahon in Co. Waterford on the Copper Coast Geopark. Apart from the good HF band conditions that were prevalent during the clubs stay at the Geopark, it was also the hottest weekend of the year. The annual communications weekend is co-ordinated by the Riviera Amateur Radio Club in Torbay and awards are available for operating Geopark stations. Further information is available on the SEARG web site at www.searg.com

As the Geopark event is not a contest, operation tends to be relaxed with ample time and an ideal location to experiment with antennas. There is also a strong social aspect to the event with barbecue and drinks on the Saturday night.

The Copper Coast European Geopark is located on the South East coast of Ireland. It extends from Fenor in the east to Stradbally in the west and as far north as Dunhill. The Copper Coast gets its name from the 19th Century copper mines that were once predominant in the area.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group would like to thank Paula McCarthy from the Copper Coast Geopark management for providing us with this excellent location over the last five years. The club are looking forward to operating it again next year.

DX News

Pat F4EBT will be travelling in the French Polynesia area of the Pacific from now until 24 June. He is using the callsign FO/F4EBT from at least two different islands in the IOTA OC-046 group and at least four different islands in the IOTA OC-067 group. QSLs go via his home call or via the French bureau. Another station to look out for in the Pacific is TX5VT operated by Christian F5IDM. He will operate from the separate DXCC entity of the Marquesas Islands from 3 - 11 June. QSL via F5IDM John KB4CRT will be on the Caribbean island of Montserrat from 6

-12 June. His callsign will be VP2MRT and he will be active on all bands 80 - 2m. The IOTA reference is NA-103 and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Another activation from Montserrat will be VP2MDD. This time the operator is Graham M0AEP and he will be on the island from 7 June until 6 August. He will concentrate on 12, 10 and 6m. MJ/EI9FBB, Dave, will be on from the old German signal station on Jersey, June 2-6. Dave says he'll have high power to various Yagisa nd verticals, emphasizing the higher HF bands, mostly CW, "with a little SSB thrown in." QSL bureau or direct to EI9FBB, or LoTW.

23cm band covered by GNSS

An article in the Microwave Journal shows that all of 1240-1300 MHz except for one narrow gap will be used by global navigation satellite systems (GNSS). The gap of about 1 MHz occurs at 1259 MHz.

International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

The 15th International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August has inspired many to register early with 32 countries and nearly 250 registered already. To register, complete a short online form, read the event rules and have lots of fun. We have complete statistics on past events, reports from previous years and we're on Facebook too. Visit the website at illw.net for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend held on August the 18th and 19th.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

897. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1064

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-03 21:04:27 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <598790.14115.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2864
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1064
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1064

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1064
BID: $OPDX.1064
June 4, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, W2GR, WO2N, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, WB6RSE, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, AT International, CO8ZZ, CT6ARL, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DL9WVM, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK7JWX, IT9RYJ, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, PS7AB, PT7ZT, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, SV1RK, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 27th-May, through Sunday, 3rd-June there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E3, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T5, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

8Q, MALDIVES. Juergen, OE4JHW, reports that he will do a suitcase DX-pedition to Kuredu Island between September 2-4th. More details will be forthcoming soon.

A5, BHUTAN. The members of the FGC DX Group (Foundation for Global Children) will continue to be active as A5A from a mountain area in Bhutan until June 6th. The ClubLog shows as of 0851z, June 3rd, the A5A team has made 28113 QSOs with 12290 unique callsigns (14883/CW and 13280/SSB). Breakdown is: 187/AF, 5147/AS, 18093/EU, 4327/NA, 163/OC and 196/SA. QSL A5A via JH1AJT (see Web page for details). For more details and update, visit the A5A Web apge at: http://bhutan2012.com/index.php

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Ulli, DL9WVM, will once again be active as A6/DL9WVM from Dubai between June 10-30th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. He informs OPDX that any SKED requests can be arranged via SKYPE (account 'dl9wvm'). Ulli states that he is working remotely from Dubai for his company in Berlin and sits the whole day 'beside' his equipment. QSL via LoTW, or via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Meanwhile, Ulli mentions that his friend Tom/DL2RMC is also active from Abu Dhabi which started around May 29th, and he will be there for 3 weeks depending on his job in UAE. Callsign is A6/DL2RMC and his license has already been issued.

CONTEST CHART CORRECTION. Please note that in OPDX. 1063 the "NG3K CQWW WPX CW Contest chart" listed VK9PN as Norfolk Island. This is incorrect and should be Lowe Island.

CS, PORTUGAL. Members of the Amateur Radio Association of the District of Leiria (ARAL) will activate CS5FAT from its facilities in the Cova da Iria at the Shrine of Fatima between June 10-13th. Activity will be on the HF, VHF and UHF bands. QSL via CT6ARL, direct or by the Bureau. Amateur radio operators are invited to operate from the Shrine of Fatima between now and October on the dates 10, 11, 12 and 13 of every month or such other dates of amateur radio convenience by appointment. For more details, see QRZ.com or the Blog page: http://cs5fat.blogspot.pt

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (Press Release #2). On May 25th, the CY9M team reports: "Time is flying! Two months today the CY9M team will be making their way to Sydney, Nova Scotia, then onwards to the northernmost tip of Cape Breton, ready to depart for St Paul island on July 26th.
Much has happened since the first press release in February. Those who keep an eye on the CY9M Web site will note major organizations such as Northern California DX Foundation <http://www.ncdxf.org> and ARRL Colvin Award <http://www.ncdxf.org> have agreed to financially back our plans. Together, with all other kind donors and clubs, we thank them sincerely.
The team makes special mention to Al, VE1AL, for his local logistical help. His ongoing assistance is much appreciated.
Meanwhile, the last few weeks has seen a host of sponsors commit to the expedition.
Elecraft, main equipment sponsor of our expedition, is providing six K3 transceivers. We are indebted to Elecraft for their support.
DX Engineering, Tigertronics, Waters & Stanton, Heil Sound, Spiderbeam, RF Power and Vibroplex have shown faith in our activation by generously supporting too.
G3TXQ Broadband Hexbeam by MW0JZE is providing the team with three

antennas. Using both Hexbeams and vertical arrays, we hope to be heard from the island! M2 Antenna Systems are also contributing with a 50 MHz yagi/beam we know how wanted St Paul island is on 6m and cross fingers for good openings.
As mentioned previously, there are few landing spots on the island. Actual station location will be determined where we land. From planning discussions, we know each proposed location has positives and negatives to certain regions around the globe therefore this is very much an "on the day" set-up at any given landing spot.
Now the shipping process begins.
If you would like to donate any amount to the CY9M St Paul Island Dxpedition, please click here: http://www.cy9m.com/donor
Feel free to follow us on Twitter <https://twitter.com/#!/CY9M> and Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/CY9M.2012> - nearer the time of departure (and afterwards) various team members will update as we journey.
Thanks for taking the time to read and share we look forward to working
you from DXCC Most Wanted entity #40.
73, CY9M Team, St Paul Island DXpedition."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (QRT). Alan, VE1AWW, reported on May 28th: "Very bad news. Sable Island is a Migratory Bird Sanctuary. Yesterday, a migratory bird (and protected species) was found near my towers with injuries suggesting a collision with one of the towers. I am required to take down the towers until an investigation and policy can be developed for tern season (April-August). Very disappointing for sure. CY0/VE1AWW QRT . . . ."

DXER ARRESTED ON ESPIONAGE! Several sources are reporting that well-known DXer/World-Traveller Baldur, DJ6SI, who has been active from all over the world from 70 countries, was arrested on the Island of Kos while operating as SV5/DS6SI. He was there on holiday with his XYL. Many Greek amateurs are pretty upset and embarrassed over this event. It is also reported that Baldur is back in Germany, but is scheduled to return for a trial day. Here are a few Web pages about the incident:
http://sv2dcd.blogspot.de/2012/05/what-shame-for-greek-authorities.html

http://sv8cs.blogspot.co.uk/2012/05/sv5dj6si-arrested-as-spy-incredible.html
http://sv5byr.blogspot.co.uk/2012/05/that-can-happened-only-at-greece.html
http://dx-world.net/2012/sv5-dj6si-arrested-on-espionage
http://yo4px.blogspot.com

EH8, SPAIN (Special Park Op). Members of the Grupo DX Teide will once again activate the Teide Volcano, the highest point in Spain, between June 30th and July 2nd. Last operation was in 2007 using the callsign AN8TID. To commemorate their 5th anniversary of that operation, and the Teide National Park being added to the UNESCO World Heritage List, the team will be active as EH8TID this time. Operations will take place from the same location as last time: the La Rambleta del Teide, 3555m ASL, and less than 163m from the top of the mountain. The area is highly protected, and therefore; they

are only authorized to use vertical and wire antennas and only 100 watts. Operators mentioned are Jos&#65533; Antonio/EA8ARG, Luis/EA8AY, &#65533;ngel/EA8BFH, Miguel &#65533;ngel/EA8BRW, and Francisco/EA8CW. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via EA8NQ. A special certificate will be provided _upon request_ to whom made at least three contacts on different bands and/or modes. The certificate will be sent free by E-mail as a printable image or PDF. Those who want a printed certificate must send 5.00 Euros, 6.00 USAs or 5 IRC to cover printing and shipping expenses. For more details, see their Web page at: http://www.eh8tid.tk

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA (IOTA Op). Just a reminder that Pat, F4EBT, is now active as FO/F4EBT until June 24th, and plans to activate the following French Polynesia IOTA Islands: Tahiti (OC-046), Moorea (OC-046), Raiatea (OC-067), Huaine (OC-067), Bora-Bora (OC-067) and Maupiti (OC-067). Activity will be holiday style, usually SSB only on 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using a TS-50 w/100 watts into a FD4 Multiband antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct (1 IRC or 2 USDs) or by the Bureau.

FO/M, MARQUESAS ISLANDS. Christian, F5IDM, a member of a scientific expedition to observe the Venus Transit, will be active as TX5VT between June 3-12th. He plans to activate the following islands in the Marquesas Island group (OC-027): Hiva Oa (DIFO FO-021, WLOTA 1233), Nuku Hiva (DIFO FO-023, WLOTA 2030), Ua Huka (DIFO FO-026) and Ua Pou (DIFO FO-027). QSL via F5IDM (KH6 Bureau or direct, see QRZ.com). For more details, see: http://www.cveillet.net/PF/TX5VT.php

GB0, ENGLAND (Special Event). Look for GB0AFD (Armed Forces Day) to be active on Sunday, July 1st, to commemorate the UK's Armed Forces Day with the local Veterans Association. The large event will be held in Alexandra Park Hastings Sussex together with all local associations. They hope that many ex-Servicemen Operators from RNARS, RAFARS and the Royal Signals Association will give them a call and help build up interest for the general public attending the event. Their intended operating bands will be on 80/40/20/30 meters using SSB or CW or PSK31. Depending on conditions other bands may be tried. They will have a Linear 300/400W using wire dipoles; they will also monitor 2m and 6m CW or SSB. Their times of operations are from 10:00 am until 16:00 pm. They would welcome any schedules -- just contact Tony, G4KLF, QTHr.

HC, ECUADOR. Dr. Rick, NE8Z/HC1MD, will once again be active from here. Look for HC1MD from Tumbaco between June 7-14th and July 21-31st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters operating CW, SSB and RTTY, using a TS-850s w/SB-200 and a Carolina Windom. He will also be on 6 meters CW/SSB, monitoring 50.110 MHz using a FT-857D w/100w into a Moxon Antenna. QSL via K8LJG. View the HC/Ecuador and HC8/Galapagos DX-Diplomas at: http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-061/
AS-092. (Update) "DX-World.net" is reporting members of the Russian Robinson Club will be active as RI0K from Ratmonova Island

(AS-061, Big Diomede Island) and Alyumka Island (AS-092, in the Chukotka Autonomous Region) between July 15th and August 28th. These are very rare IOTAs.

AS-066. Vladimir "Vlado", UA0LCZ, will be active as RI0NZ from Popov Island between July 24-30th. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-154. (CANCELLED) A team of Hungarian and Turkish operators were expected to activate Giresun Island between July 24th and August 1st. Hungarian Radio Amateurs were not granted permission to operate.

EU-029. Alain, F5LMJ, will be active as 5P5J from Lolland Island between July 14-28th. QSL via LoTW or eQSL, or his home callsign by the Bureau.

EU-158. Operators Mike/SV1RK and Stavros/SV3CJU will once again be active from Sapienza Island (LH GRE116, WLOTA 1471, WW LOC KM06US) after 7 years as J48SAI between June 8-10th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via LoTW or via SV1RK, by the Bureau or direct.

NA-039. Jeff, KL2HD, is currently staying on Adak Island until June 8th. He is a biologist and studies wildlife in the Aleutian Islands of Alaska in the summer and occasionally runs his rig from Adak Island where his summer office is located. He also spends most of the summer on a research ship, the M/V Tiglax, traveling the Aleutians and will someday try maritime mobile operation. Watch for activity on 20/17 meters SSB between 0400-0800z. QSL via LoTW (preferred), direct or by the Bureau. Check out his QRZ.com page for an online log and pictures.

OC-177. Look for 30 operators to be active as YE0M from Kaliage Besar Island (Seribu Islands) between July 6-9th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are YB0AA, YB0AZ, YB0HD, YB0JS, YE0YE, YB0AKM, YB0BUI, YB0ECT, YB0KVN, YC0KVM, YC0LOW, YC0LLY, YC0MXV, YC0RAN, YC0TSU, YC0VKI, YD0RVT, YB1PR, YB1MH, YB1CCF, YB1GJS, YB1KAR, YC1CDV, YC1KAF, YD1JZ, YD1GCL, YD1LUX, YD1MRI, YD1ORZ and YD1XUH.QSL via YB1GJS.

SA-012/
SA-035. Operators Alex/UA9YAB and Alex/UA9YPS will be active as from Margarita Island (pfx YV7 and SA-012) and Los Roques Islands (pfx YV5 and SA-035) between August 2-9th. Signing YV7/homecall and YV5/homecall, activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via their home callsigns.

SA-029. (Update) Operators Marcelo/PY1MT, Moreira/PU1MMZ, Mauricio/PU1SET, Jose/PY1MX and Jair/PY1HS will be active as ZV1M from Itacuruca Island (DIB RJ-08), Rio de Janeiro State, Brazil, between July 27-29th. Activity will include the RSGB

IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Operations will be on 80/40/
20/15/10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via PY1MT, direct
only with SASE/SAE + 2 USDs (no IRC). Their Web site is
available at: http://www.casadoradioamador.blogspot.com

II9, ITALY (Special Event). Members of the Italia ARAS (Amateur Radio Society - <http://www.arasitalia.org>) of Pedara, Catania, and the ARI (Associazione Radioamatori Italiani - <http://www.ari.it>), will activate special event station II9AS to remember the 40° anniversary of first flight
of the famous Anti-Submarine Aircraft employed by NATO, Breuget BR 1150 "Atlantic" between June 6-9th. Operators mentioned are Marco/IT9JPW, Michele/IW9HPW and some other IT9 operators. Look for the ARI team to be active from the Air Base Station of Sigonella in Catania between 0600-1800z on June 9th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB, and operating a couple of stations. A special QSL card will be available via IT9JPW.

J3, GRENADA (Op Cancelled!). Harry, AC8G (J37K), who was planning a 6 night stay in Grenada for the CQ WW SSB Contest (Oct. 27-28th), has announced that American Air has cancelled his flight to Grenada. Other dates are not acceptable, so he cancelled the operation.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 4-10th)....
Jun/04th AN Jun/07th HN Jun/09th AN
Jun/05th AN Jun/08th AN Jun/10th AN-HN
Jun/06th AN-HN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K°1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K° 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K° 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K° 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K° 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K°9 100-400

N2, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Mike, W2GR, will be on the air with the special callsign N2W between June 10-24th. The callsign N2W will be on the air during the week before and the week after Nik Wallenda tries to or becomes the first person in history to walk directly over Niagara Falls on a tightrope. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via W2GR CBA. The walk will be broadcast live worldwide on ABC on Friday, June 15th, 2012.

PJ4, BONAIRE. By the time you read this, Bill, K9HZ, should be active as PJ4HZ from Kralendijk, Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279), until June 10th. QSL via his home callsign.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN (2013 Op!). Randy, N0TG, has announced a real early
2013 operation to Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 383, DIFO FS-001) between
March 15-23rd. He states that they have the facility arranged, tickets,
etc. So, look for Randy/N0TG, Ron/AA4VK and Jeff/N1SNB to sign PJ7/homecall
next year. Activity will probably be on all bands and modes. QSL "all"
callsigns via N0TG.

PT7, BRAZIL (Contest/Lighthouse Op). Members of the GPDX-CE (Portuguese
DX Group Cear&#65533;) will be active as PT7ZT/p from the Paracur&#65533; Lighthouse
(BRA-276, DFB and DFCE EC-09) in the Municipality of PARACURU between
June 8-10th. The Lighthouse of Paracuru is about 115km from the capital
Fortaleza. The team plans to participate in the Portugal Day Contest
(June 9-10th). They will use a FT 890AT with a GP20 Vertical Dipole and
Window Tagra antenna. QSL via the home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated May 27th and June 3rd)

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4L1MA via ON4RU EH8DDC via EA8RKL PP5/AI6V via AI6V
5R8FL via G3SWH EM2012I via US3IZ PR5B via 6K5YPD
6Y/UT5UDX via RA4LW EO2012UEFA via UR7UC PT7/PY7XC via PY7XC
7U50ND via 7X2DD EW1150P via EW6DX PW0F via OH2BH
8P9BF via DF5WA GB50RSARS via G0SWY PW7T via PT7WA
8S0HRA via SK0QO GB60VUL via M0JEC R44GGGR via UA6MM
A61AS via YO3FRI HB0/DF5AU via DF5AU R200BP via RV3AGB
A61LL via EA5ZD HB0/DJ2IA via DJ2IA RA/IK5MIC/P via IK5MIC
A73A via EA7FTR HB9/EA1IIW via EA1IIW RI1FJA via RX3MM
AL4H via DJ4MZ HB9/IW2NRI via IW2NRI SJ2W via SM2LIY
AU50GOA via VU2SMS HF3T via SP3FYX SN2012ATE via SP9ATE
AY5F via LU5FC HF6LOS via SQ9CWO SN2012RKK via SP2RKK
BW/JL3TOG via JL3TOG HF2012EURO via SP9KTL SN2012WA via SP5PBE
C4EU via 5B4AHO HG56OD via HA3OD SO9Q via SP9QMP
CN8YZ via 6K5YPD HK/LU8EOT via LU8EOT SV3/SQ8CMB via
SV-Bureau
CP4BT via EA5KB HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ SV5/OK1AMM via OK1AMM
CQ3B via CT3EE HP1/IQ6CC via IZ4SUC SV5/OK2BC via OK2BC
CR1X via OH2BH II0CC/IT9 via IZ4SUC SV5/OK2BOB via OK2BOB
CR2AA via CU3AA II0FTC via IQ0FB SV8/LZ1GC via LZ1GC
CS7/PD0HNL via NL13565 II2POPE via IW2HAJ SV9/DJ9XB via DJ9XB
CT7/CT3FN via HB9CRV IQ9SR via IT9ULI SV9/DL7VOA via DL7VOA
CT9/DJ4UF via DJ4UF IR1CCL via IK1APO SV9/SQ9UM via SQ9UM
CT9/ON3RM via ON3RM IT9/DL7ULM via DL7ULM TA7/R3GM via RA1QQ
CU1CB via EA5KB IU4T via IK4MTF TC7C via RA1QQ
DA0COTA via DF2DD JX9JKA via LA9JKA TK4A via LoTW only
DB50EFA via DL8DWL K1A via KK1KW TM5FI via F5XX
EA/OK5MAD/P via OK5MAD KP2M via AI4U UE40MD via UA4LU
EA6/F6ECS via F6ECS L53GO via LU4GO UN9GD via DL8KAC
ED7IVN via EA7IVN LG5LG via LA4EKA UP0L via DL8KAC
EE8X via W2GR LO2F via AC7DX UP2L via UA9AB
EF2A via EA2AYD LX8RTTY via LX1DA UP4L via UN7LZ

EF5Y via EA5GTQ (L) M/HA0ANA via HA0ANA UP6P via UN7PBY
EF8M via UA3DX M3I via G0ORH UV5U via UX1UA
EF8R via EA8CAC (L) MQ0UTD via M0UTD (L) V26E via AB2E
EG0FAS via EB1BSV MX0IRN via G4IRN VK4NM via M0OXO
EG5FPA via EB5GC OG0Z via W0MM VK9PN via VK2PN
EG5SUB via EA5HEW OK/DH7WW/P via DH7WW XF3LH via PT2OP
EG5TCS via EA5IBW OK/DL5YL via DL5YL XR0ZA via JA8BMK
EG5TSL via EA5HRE OK/SP9RTZ via SP9RTZ XV1X via OK1DOT
EG7CC via EA7NL OM7M via OM3PA YL/ES2TT via ES2TT
EG7FAS via EA4FAS ON1794ARJ via ON6NR YL2012USCARS via ES2TT
EG7IUK via EA7IUK OZ/DL5CX via DL5CX YP22CER via YO7GWA
EG8GCA via EA8TH P3F via 5B4AHJ YU/LA6FJA via KM3X
EG8GOM via EA8TH P4/OK5MM via OK2JS ZL2LI via ZL2BRS
EG8GRA via EA8TH P33W via UA3DX ZP7/JE1LGY via JE1LGY
EG8TFE via EA8TH PA73N via PA4N ZQ2FX via G3RFX
EH7DFA via EA7DA PJ4/LY9Y via LY9Y
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

PR2I QSL UPDATE. Fred, IK7JWX, QSL manager for PR2I (IOTA SA-024 and SA-071), apologizes for the long delay in responding to the many QSLs received via direct. The the fault was not his, but to a failure of the printing machine. All QSLs will be in the mail as of Monday, June 4th.

VP9PN LOG. The log for the VK9PN operation is now available online at: http://www.hamqth.com

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4Z5IW, CX4ACH, IZ8CLM, JA4FHE, M0VKC, MU0FAL, MW0ZZK, OH0Z, OZ1ADL, PJ4C, RI1FJ, S79RR, SA6G, SN7Q, UN7LZ, V73NS, VE3AXW, VK2DX, YV5OIE, ZL2IFB and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A4A, 3XY1D, 4J5A, 4KR60A, 7Q7PRO, A35YZ, AT2DW, C21HA, E51M, E7DX, GR100MGY, HK0NA, OH1VR/VP9, T6BP, TT8ES, UK9AA, VK5KGP, VK9N/ZL1RS, VK9XS, VK0TH and ZK2C

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 9J3A, A22/JA4ATV, CU2KG, CX/N3BNA, DL5YYM, E73M, E73XL, E79D, ED9M, HH2/OE7NHT, OH3JF, OH0R, OJ0B, OM2011IIF, PJ4I, PY1MM, S9DX, S92SS, V21ZG, V5/DL2SL, VP5DX, YL6W, ZL7/W1SY, ZD8O and ZL8DX

R1150, EUROPEAN RUSSIA (Special Event). Look for club station RK3VWA to operate with the special callsign R1150V between now and August 31st. Activity is to celebrate the 1150th anniversary of the birth of the Russian statehood. Additional information about days of activities and other events will be published on the Web site: http://www.r3v.ru

SILENT KEY. It has been reported that Bill Wells, VK4UA, become a Silent Key (SK) on May 30th, having turned 89 earlier in May 2012. He came from Victoria and his interest in radio began as a 14 year old when he built his first radio receiver. Bill served in the RAAF from 1942-46 and was licensed for 65 years. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of VK4UA.

TK, CORSICA (EU-014). Alex, IW5ELA, will be active as TK/IW5ELA from
Calvi between June 6-9th. Activity will be on 40/20/15/12 meters and
mainly on CW. He will use a FT857 w/100w into a vertical antenna.
QSL via his home callsign.

V8, BRUNEI (Update). Members of the Gemilang Amamteur Radio Club (GEMILANG
Radio) and the Mediterraneo DX Club will team-up and sponsor/plan another
DXpedition, this time to Brunei (OC-088). The multi-national team (90%
of the team operated during the 9N7MD DXpedition) will be active as
V84SMD between November 13-22nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters,
including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan
to have 15 to 18 operators with 4 to 5 stations on the air 24 hours.
Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3505, 7005, 10105, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3799, 7080, 14200, 18145, 21295, 24950 and 28470 kHz
RTTY - 3600, 7040, 10140, 14085, 18100, 21080, 24930 and 28085 khz

Their equipment will be three Icom 7000s, Icom 7200 and a Elecraft K2.
Antennas will be 2 Spiderbeam (5 bands), 80m vertical full size, inverted
L for 160m, vertical for 40m, vertical dipole for 30m and beverages for
receiving. The current operators mentioned are Norbert/DJ2JC, Heye/DJ9RR,
Henri/F1HRE, Michel/F5EOT, Jean-Luc/F6BIV, Gabriele/I2VGW (Team Co-leader),
Francesco/I2DMI, Bob/I2WIJ, Pino/I8YGZ (Techical Supervisor), Fabio/IK2LTR,
Marco/IZ2GNQ, Dario/IT9ZZO (Physician), Fabrizio/IZ2KXC, Ant/IZ8CCW (Team
leader), Eric/ON7RN, UZ2HKC, Lan/V85AVE, Nizam/V85AX, Ayub/V85TX (Logistic
Supervisor) and Adhi/YB3MM. Pilot stations are Pino/IZ8BGY (AS/EU/OC) and
Don/N1DG (NA/SA). QSL via IK2VUC, direct, by the Bureau or the OQRS. Logs
will be uploaded to LoTW 4-5 months after the activity. The V84SMD Web
page is now online at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd

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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
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898. eHam.net News for Sunday 3 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-03 22:04:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bffa262ae6704c1989869@google.com>
Source record: 2865
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Haida Part of Museum Ships on the Air:

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 05:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28423

The HMCS Haida will be one of about 100 ships around the world taking part this weekend in an event called Museum Ships on the Air 2012. Amateur radio operators will be able to talk with ships from Europe, Australia and the United States in this unique event first launched in 2001 by the Battleship New Jersey, which is stationed in Camden, N.J., and sponsored by the vessel's amateur radio society (call sign NJ2BB). Ken Lloyd, president of the Friends of HMCS Haida, says the aim is to enhance the visitor experience aboard these floating museums by providing a glimpse into the stories of these ships through amateur radio. "The operators will discover some of the history of the ships and their heroic crews," he said. HMCS Haida's call sign is VE3DA. The other Canadian museum ship taking part is the submarine HMCS Onondaga, which was in service for 33 years for the Royal Canadian Navy. It is now in Rimouski, Que., and its call sign is VA2GNQ.

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Ham Radio Enthusiasts Share Their Passion:

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 05:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28422

Amateur radio operators from around East Tennessee will ham it up this month at two events in Knoxville. The Radio Amateur Club of Knoxville will hold its annual hamfest next Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Kerbela Temple, 315 Mimosa Ave. Ham radio equipment, antennas, electronic parts, old-time radios, CB radios and other broadcast equipment will be on display and for sale. Vendors will include Ten-Tec of Sevierville, a popular maker of radio equipment.

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Robert K. Sova, KB5QN (SK):

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 05:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28421

Robert Kenneth Sova, 64, of Hedgesville, passed away Friday, May 25, 2012, at his residence. Born April 18, 1948, he was the son of the late Edith Thomason Wrinn. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Dallas, Texas, and

a member of ARRL Amateur Radio. He had been a resident of Dallas, where he retired with 20 years of service with Texas Instrument.

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Previously Dismissed Radio Signals Were Credible Transmissions from Earhart

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 05:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28420

Dozens of previously dismissed radio signals were actually credible transmissions from Amelia Earhart, according to a new study of the alleged post-loss signals from Earhart's plane. The transmissions started riding the air waves just hours after Earhart sent her last inflight message. The study, presented on Friday at a three day conference by researchers of The International Group for Historic Aircraft Recovery (TIGHAR), sheds new light on what may have happened to the legendary aviator 75 years ago. The researchers plan to start a high-tech underwater search for pieces of her aircraft next July. "Amelia Earhart did not simply vanish on July 2, 1937. Radio distress calls believed to have been sent from the missing plane dominated the headlines and drove much of the U.S. Coast Guard and Navy search," Ric Gillespie, executive director of TIGHAR, told Discovery News.

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Hurricane Watch Net Enters 47th Season:

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 04:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28417

Amateur Radio's Hurricane Watch Net is geared up and ready for its 47th year of activity. Formed in 1965 by Jerry Murphy, (Amateur radio call sign K8YUW), during Hurricane Betsy, the Hurricane Watch Net was an informal group of radio amateurs who recognized a need to provide communications to and from hurricane affected areas. Over the years the net has relayed reports in to the National Hurricane Center and just as importantly out to the many Amateur Radio stations located in the path of hurricanes.

899. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 4 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-04 11:03:25 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934106542f8b004c1a37bd4@google.com>
Source record: 2866
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German Radio Ham arrested in Greece

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Greek newspapers report on the arrest of a German radio amateur, Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI on holiday in Mastichari, Kos, apparently for the 'crime' of operating amateur radio equipment

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Amateur Radio World Prefix Maps - Special discount for readers of this website

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Now, for a limited period only, our readers can get one at a special discount price

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WAB Torch Relay Amateur Radio Stations

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About 72 amateur radio stations across the United Kingdom are activating the Worked All Britain callsigns G*4WAB and G*7WAB along the route of the 2012 Olympic Torch Relay

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IOTA news from OPDX

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Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
27th-May, through Sunday, 3rd-June there were 227 countries active

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Waters and Stanton Open Day

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Two illustrated reports by Essex radio hams on Sunday's successful Waters
and Stanton Open Day are now available on the web

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FGC DX Group active for a few more days

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4QXl9p7sa8A/fgc_dx_group.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The members of the FGC DX Group (Foundation for Global Children) will
continue to be active as A5A from a mountain area in Bhutan until June 6th

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History This Week

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZmjsxMdd3J4/history_04_june.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

900. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 3 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-04 12:00:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e6041ab425604c19c1398@google.com>
Source record: 2867
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Cleveland's Amateur Radio Club celebrates 50th year - Cleveland Daily Banner

Posted: 03 Jun 2012 03:04 AM PDT
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WABI
Clevelands Amateur Radio Club celebrates 50th year
Cleveland Daily Banner
“I got interested through Bill Stewart who was building radio transmitters for amateur radio.” Ledford became interested in amateur radio while he was still in high school after seeing another hams equipment and “I just wanted to get in on it,” he ...
Ham radio club sets demonstrationLongview News-Journal
Ham radio enthusiasts share their passionKnoxville News Sentinel
Ham Fest Brings Together Familar VoicesWABI
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Ham radio class offered - Ironton Tribune

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 09:12 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ6c3nmHwzXT111DXoxTvDTUbz-w&url=http://www.irontontribune.com/2012/06/03/news-in-brief-6312/

Ham radio class offered
Ironton Tribune
Examinations for people who wish to be granted a new or upgraded amateur radio “ham” license from the Federal Communications Commission will be 9 am Saturday at the Museum of Radio and Technology in Huntington, W. Va. These exams are sponsored by the ...

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Governor Fallin Dedicates Chapel at Camp Gruber - KTUL (blog)

Posted: 03 Jun 2012 02:20 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHd5e55S2mZg614yMVtTHpjVgFWag&url=http://www.ktul.com/story/18687766/governor-fallin-dedicates-chapel-at-camp-gruber

Governor Fallin Dedicates Chapel at Camp Gruber
KTUL (blog)

Amateur radio operators aboard the USS Batfish contacted other war museum radio operators worldwide on Saturday and Sunday. The USS Batfish/USS Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club hosted a special event as partMore >> Governor Mary Fallin was present for the ...

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Radio Hams at Grantham Museum - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 09:56 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEidvJ3D-EjPHE-fKghj3nrAryNyw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/radio_hams_at_grantham_museum.htm

BBC News
Radio Hams at Grantham Museum
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The BBC reports that Grantham Museum has reopened in time for the Diamond Jubilee and therell be an amateur radio station this weekend. The South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society are operating an amateur radio station from the museum this weekend and ...
Grantham Museum reopens in time for Diamond JubileeBBC News

all 2 news articles

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Amateur radio emergency group volunteers services - St. George Daily Spectrum

Posted: 16 May 2012 04:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGlx41bHfRbm4Uc7Oqa3A91-iR3Pw&url=http://www.thespectrum.com/article/20120516/NEWS01/205160317/Amateur-radio-emergency-group-volunteers-services?odyssey%3Dtab%257Ctopnews%257Ctext%257CFrontpage

Amateur radio emergency group volunteers services
St. George Daily Spectrum
GEORGE - The Washington County Commission approved a memorandum of understanding Tuesday with a group of amateur radio operators who are helping to ensure communications dont go down during a community-wide emergency. "At the Big Shakeout (statewide ...

and more

901. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 3rd June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-04 14:31:59 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120604143151.608D933C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2868
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 3rd June 2012

The news headlines:

Amateurs help Italian earthquake relief efforts

Big news for Air Cadets radio exam candidates

Extra spectrum for Danes at MF, HF and VHF

Following the earthquake on 20 May, two additional aftershocks struck the Emilia Romagna region of Italy on May 29. One of these was a 5.8 magnitude shock. After a request from the Italian Civil Protection department, the voluntary group RNRE immediately sent one Mobile Unit with five radio amateurs to the area and put two more units on standby, ready to go when requested. The HF frequency 7060kHz is in use by IQ1HQ, operated by RNRE, and IQ0TK for the Civil Protection Department in Rome. VHF links are currently on 145.200MHz. Amateurs are requested to keep these frequencies clear for emergency traffic.

The Radio Communications Foundation is pleased to announce that agreement has been reached with the Air Cadets Organisation to accept a pass in their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent examination as equivalent to a pass in the Foundation Radio Amateur examination. Ofcom has also accepted that the ACO Foundation Equivalent examination syllabus meets the Radio Amateur Foundation level requirements and will issue a Radio Amateur Foundation level licence via the Radio Society of Great Britain on receipt of a successful Air Cadet candidate pass details.

The RSGB is offering those under 21 who achieve their licence through this route a year's free membership of the Society. The vision of the Radio Communications Foundation is to bring the benefits of radio to young people and to encourage the use of technology. The Foundation is delighted with this agreement as it completely meets this objective and it is inspiring that young Air Cadets may set out on a lifetime of enjoyment of the hobby through this agreement.

The Danish regulator has announced the availability of 5250 to 5450kHz, 472 to 479kHz and an expansion to the 70MHz allocation. Effective from 1 June, the 5MHz pilot scheme will cease and 5250 to 5450kHz can be used by A and B Certificate holders using all modulation types with, respectively, 1000W and 100W maximum output power. Issued trial licenses are valid until expiry. The allocation at 472 to 479kHz will commence on

1 January 2013. 70MHz will expand to 69.9375 to 70.0625MHz, 70.0875 to 70.1125MHz and 70.1625 to 70.5125MHz.

The telecoms regulator of the Principality of Monaco has allocated the segment 472 - 479kHz to the amateur service, with secondary status, with a maximum power of 1 watt eirp.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Central Scotland Mini Ham Radio Convention takes place today, 2 June. It is at Crofthead Farm Community Education Centre, Templar Rise, Livingston EH54 6DG. Doors open at 10am, and there will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as lectures and an RSGB bookstand.

Tomorrow, 3 June, the Spalding & District Annual Rally will take place at The Sir John Gleed Technology School, Halmer Gardens, Spalding, Lincs, PE11 2EF. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands, free car parking and catering facilities at the event. More details from John, G4NBR, on 07946 302 815.

The 11th Junction 28 QRP Rally will take place on 10 June at Alfreton Leisure Centre, Church Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire DE55 7BD. The event is organised by the South Normanton Alfreton and District Amateur Radio Club in association with the G-QRP Club. Doors open at 10am and admission is ?2.50. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and catering facilities. More from Russell Bradley, G0OKD, on 01773 783 658.

Now for the news of special events

Coventry Amateur Radio Society will put GB50CCC on the air until 19 June for the Coventry Cathedral Celebration.

Chorley and District Amateur Radio Society will be on air over the Queen's Diamond Jubilee bank holiday weekend with the club call MX0ISN. A special QSL card is being produced for this event, and details are on qrz.com.

South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB0GMO from Grantham Museum on 1 and 2 June to mark the re-opening of the museum. They will be using voice modes on all bands from 6m to 40m and also on 2m from 10am to 4pm when the museum is open. A special QSL card will be available either direct or via the RSGB bureau.

South Lancs Radio Club will be on the air from Ashurst Beacon main car parking area, airing the callsign MQ0SLR/P between 10am and 6pm today, 2 June. Then on 3 June from 10am to 4pm they will be on the air from Shackerley Community Centre using MQ0SLR/P.

Kent Weald Radio Club will be operating from the Headcorn Aerodrome, Kent for the duration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee week. The club will be using the special event callsigns GB1ER and GB1HA, working the HF VHF & UHF bands. Visitors are welcome to call in to see the operation. Further details are available from Patrick, G0UXG via e-mail to

palybl@btinternet.com.

The Wakefield & District Radio Society will be assisting the Sandal Community Association in their celebrations of HM the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The event will take place today, 3 June at the West Yorkshire Sports & Social Club, Sandal Hall Close, Wakefield WF2 6ER. The special event callsigns GB60HRH and GB5SCA will be in operation on the HF bands using SSB plus, hopefully, SSTV and PSK, as well as 2m between 0800 and 1600UTC. More details are on the club website, www.wdrs.org.uk.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

KX4WW and W9RN will be visiting the Turks and Caicos Islands until 7 June. They will sign VP5/home call and will be active on all bands from 6 to 160m.

>From the island of Molene in the Finistere North West group, Keith, G3TTC will be active on the 5 June as F/G3TTC/P. QSL via G3TTC either direct or via the bureau.

Using the call DD4T, several amateurs will be on the air from Helgoland Island, EU-127, from 3 to 10 June. They plan to operate three stations at the same time on all bands and in all modes. QSL via IZ4AMS, either direct or via the bureau.

A5A will be on the air from Bhutan until 6 June. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the 6 to 80m bands with three stations. QSL via JH1AJT, either direct or via the bureau, and via Logbook of the World. QSL instructions and further information can be found at www.bhutan2012.com.

Now the contest news

National Field Day takes place this weekend during the Queen's Diamond Jubilee weekend. Running until 1500UTC today, 3 June, on the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The UK Six Metre Group's Summer E's Contest runs for 24 hours on the 50MHz band ending at 1300UTC today, 3 June. Using all modes, exchange a signal report, serial number, locator and, if you are a member of UKSMG, your membership number.

The UK Microwave Group Low Band Contest takes place today, 3 June, on the 1.3, 2.3 and 3.4GHz bands. Running from 1000 to 1600UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 80m Club Championships data leg takes place on 4 June from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

On 5 June the 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

There will be lots of RF generated on 6 metres during the weekend of 9 to 11 June as part of the 2012 ARRL June VHF QSO Party. The objective of

the party is to work as many amateur stations as possible in as many different 2 degree x 1 degree grid squares using authorised frequencies above 50MHz. UK stations work US and Canadian amateurs only. This all starts at 1800UTC on the Saturday and runs through 0259UTC on Monday. For full details on the QSO Party, check out the website www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party.

The French DDFM 6m Contest takes place for 24 hours on 9 and 10 June from 1600UTC to 1600UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and the first four digits of your Locator.

On Sunday 10th, the Practical Wireless 2m Low Power Contest runs for seven hours. The maximum permitted power for this event is 3 watts and the scoring is 1 point per contact, multiplied by the total number of Locator squares worked. Running from 0900 to 1600UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The final event for 10 June is the second 144MHz Backpackers contest. Running from 0900 to 1300UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 25th to Thursday the 31st of May, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 1st of June.

At the start of the period six sunspot groups were visible but by the 29th two had disappeared. However, on the 31st, two new groups rotated into view. One of these groups produced 11 M class solar flares on its last rotation. Solar activity was very low on the 28th and the 29th but low on the remaining days, when occasional C class solar flares took place. Solar flux levels declined from 117 units on the 25th to 106 by the 29th but recovered back to 117 units by the 31st. The average was 112. The 90 day solar flux average on the 31st was 117 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from B4.4 units on the 25th to B2.1 by the 28th. Levels by the 31st had increased to B5.4 units. The average was B3.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day and the average Ap index was 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 350 and 470 kilometres per second. Particle densities were low every day except for a brief increase to 21 particles per cubic centimetre on the 28th and to 20 units on the 31st. Bz varied no more than minus 8 and plus 10 nanoTeslas.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the more active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be low most days but could increase to moderate levels on the occasional day. Solar flux levels should be in the 130's for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at unsettled levels today and tomorrow due to a recurring coronal hole. Activity is expected to be at quiet levels for the remainder of the period. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 14MHz. Paths this week to

India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 17MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1800 hours. Sporadic-E is expected most days up to 50MHz but only occasionally on 144MHz.

Finally, the propagation team has learned with great regret that Charlie Newton, G2FKZ, has gone silent key. For many years he was the compiler of these propagation reports, chairman of the Society's Propagation Studies Committee, and was the author of a pioneering study of radio aurora.

And on that sad note, that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday there is a club net on GB3FR from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Wythall Radio Club is running a special event station for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee on Monday. On Tuesday there's a social evening, and on Sunday 10 June the club is visiting the Junction 28 QRP Rally. Contact Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

South Birmingham Radio Society is closed on Monday, then having a talk in the main hall on Wednesday. Thursday sees training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, then there's shack and aerial work on Friday. On Sunday 10 June the club is visiting the QRP Radio rally at Alfreton, Derbyshire. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting GB2CWP on the air on Monday from 10am at Lincolnshire Aviation Centre, East Kirkby. Tuesday sees the 144MHz UK Activity Contest at the shack from 20.00. On Wednesday G5FZ is on the air, and there is a natter night. Thursday sees the club repeater net on 145.725 from 80m. On Saturday 9 June there's the surgery in the shack from 09.00, followed by Dave & Louise's Wedding Party. All members are invited to the evening party at Birchwood Social Club. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m Club Contest DATA on Monday, then on Saturday 9 June they're operating a special event station from Market Harborough Carnival. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding a club net on 145.350MHz FM from 7.30pm on Tuesday. On Saturday 9 June the weekend WRAA/K12 family field day and BBQ takes place at Newlands, Evesham Road, Norton, Evesham. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 3 June Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is operating GQ5BK at Brizen Jubilee Party. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241099.

On Monday 4 June Aldridge & Barr Beacon ARC and Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society are closed.

On Tuesday 5 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 5 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a kite flying night, weather permitting. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 6 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes, a general meeting and is on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 6 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and putting GX3ZME on the air. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Friday 8 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for VHF mobile operation. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

Listeners to GB2RS in the Wakefield area of Yorkshire will be aware of the 0900 news reading that takes place via the 6m repeater GB3WY on 50.800MHz. Unfortunately, the original team of three news readers is now reduced to only G4CLI. One or two volunteers, who must be RSGB members, are now required to come forward as reserve or alternating readers. If you are interested, then please contact the GB2RS News Manager, Gordon, G3LEQ on 01 565 652 652.

We start our events listing with clubs that have several events this week. Wakefield & District Radio Society is operating Diamond Jubilee special event stations GB60HRH and GB5SCA on Sunday 3 June from 1200 to 1700 at the West Yorkshire Sports and Social Club. That's at Sandal Hall Close, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, WF2 6ER, and is in association with the Sandal Community Association. There's a debrief on the event on Thursday, alongside the Foundation exam and putting the shack on the air. On Saturday 9 June the Intermediate and Advanced Licence courses continue from 13:30. Details from Ken, G8FSO, by email to

g8fso@wdrs.org.uk.

Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Club Contest Data on Monday, then holding a committee meeting on Wednesday. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on Tuesday. On Saturday 9 June the club is at the charity gala, offering their Green Receiver crystal set construction project. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

Denby Dale Radio Club is having an illustrated talk on Wednesday by Christian, M0KLF on his Arctic holiday. On Saturday 9 June the club is operating GB2HS at Honley Show. On Sunday 10th it's the 1940's weekend from Thwaite Mills, Leeds. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 4 June Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Contest Data and having a social evening. Contact Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 5 June Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is running a Queen's Diamond Jubilee special event. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 5 June Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 144 MHz UK Activity Contest & having a Morse class with G0WNT. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Tuesday 5 June Stockport Radio Society is having a talk by Nigel, G0RXA on what's going on above your heads. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Thursday 7 June Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 7 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a visit from Roger, F5VMB. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 8 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 8 June Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G0GYO on his meeting with SV5RW. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

On Thursday 7 June Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual barbecue at the scout camp in Crawfordsburn Country Park. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 5 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Wednesday 6 June Caithness Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Lifeboat at Wick. Contact Bob Renshaw, MM0RJR, on 01847 831 643.

On Wednesday 6 June Glenrothes & DRC is preparing for the club's outdoor activities. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Friday 8 June Borders Amateur Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Contact Ian, GM8IIO, on 07510 242 615.

On Saturday 9 June Glenrothes & DRC is active at Glenrothes Fun Day. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Sunday 10 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Practical Wireless 144MHz QRP Contest. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Intermediate course on Sunday 3 June. On Saturday 9 June they are taking part in the VSC Jubilee celebration and Bromley Pageant of Motoring weekend. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is attending the W&S Open Day on Sunday 3 June. On Tuesday, meeting at MASC at 7.30pm, there's a talk on New Street, the world's first purpose built wireless factory, 1912 by Peter Turrall, MBE & John Yates, G1UZD. Marconi & RAF personnel are invited. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a 80m CW net 3.570MHz from 1pm on Monday, followed by a 2m net on 144.675MHz at 8pm. On Wednesday there's a slow CW 80m net on 3.570MHz, then on Friday it's the Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8pm. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship Data session on Monday, then having a friendly fox hunt on Wednesday from 19:00 at CNS School. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 4 June Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a fault finding rig clinic. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 4 June Burnham Beeches Radio Club and East Kent Radio Society are closed.

On Tuesday 5 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Wednesday 6 June Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the at Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Thursday 7 June Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a natter night. Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 0798 2244 788.

On Thursday 7 June Cray Valley Radio Society is having mini presentations by a number of club members, who will talk about what the hobby is to them. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 7 June Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 7 June Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 7 June Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 7 June Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a wireless workshop and club night. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 7 June Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is closed.

On Thursday 7 June Vange ARS is holding a junk sale. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Thursday 7 June Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group from 7.30pm at the Rose and Crown Pub, Sandridge. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday 8 June Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on clamp on RF current meters by Mike, M0BLP. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 8 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a Boule evening at The Crown Inn Newick. Cyprus Hall will be closed. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 8 June Radio Society of Harrow is having a surplus equipment sale. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 8 June Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the history of sound recording by Alvin, G6DTW. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event at North Weald Airfield. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its 80m net on Monday at 19.45, the 2m net on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 4 June Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. More details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 6 June Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is planning the club programme. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 7 June Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a main club evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 7 June Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321., m0bhg@yahoo.co.uk

On Thursday 7 June South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a familiarisation evening in advance of VHF NFD. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 7 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue. For more information contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

Jersey Amateur Radio Society has decided to enter the PW contest on Sunday 10 June. There is the opportunity for visitors to the island to join Jersey club members to do some operating. Operating as GJ3IT, the station will run 2m FM, SSB and CW with 3W maximum PEP. The contest runs from 0900 to 1600UTC.&#65533; The organiser reports that if the weather is fine they hope to operate from the back bunker roof so there may even be the scope for a few drinks and a BBQ if there is enough support or volunteers to arrange it. If you want any more information, get in touch with the club and they look forward to working many stations on the day.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Sunday 3 June Carmarthan Amateur Radio Society is having a rig check evening with GW4RVA. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Monday 4 June Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on British waterways by Geoff Spurr, G0PFH. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 5 June Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding a practice run for the PW QRP Contest. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

On Sunday 10 June Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is at Aberystwyth Cliff Railway Open Day, holding public demonstrations from 11.00. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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902. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 28 May - 03 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-04 15:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120604153001.92E1333C8E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2869
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jun 04 1310 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
28 May - 03 June 2012

Solar activity was at very low to moderate levels during the period. Very low levels were observed from 28 - 29 May. An increase to low levels was observed from 30 May - 02 June as Region 1493 (N15, L=209, class/area Dso/170 01 June) and Region 1496 (N16, L=199 class/area Cso/120 on 01 June) rotated onto the visible disk. Another increase to moderate levels was observed on 03 June as Region 1496 produced an M3 x-ray flare at 03/1755 UTC. Associated with this event were both a Type II radio sweep (estimated shock speed of 1077 km/s) signature and CME supporting imagery from the LASCO C2 imager. After analysis, this CME was determined to not be Earth directed. Region 1493 was the most active region during the period producing 8 C-class x-ray events.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels on 28 - 29 May and then decreased to moderate to normal levels for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to minor storm levels during the period. Quiet conditions were observed from 28 - 29 May. Late on 29 May, solar wind speeds, as measured by the ACE spacecraft, increased from 350 km/s to around 450 km/s. Solar wind speeds remained elevated till late on 31 May. In conjunction with these elevated solar winds, quiet to unsettled levels were observed from 30 - 31 May with isolated active and minor storm levels at high latitudes. A return to quiet levels was observed from 01 - 02 June. Late on 02 June, an isolated active period was observed due to prolonged negative IMF Bz measured by the ACE spacecraft. On 03 June, an increase from quiet to minor storm levels with major storm periods observed at high latitudes was observed. This increase in activity was associated with a continuation of sustained negative IMF Bz from 02 June.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
04 June - 30 June 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance for M-class activity from 04 - 15 June.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during 04 - 05 June, 13 - 19 June, and 26 - 30 June. High levels are expected during 06 - 12 June, and 20 - 25 June.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at active levels with a chance for minor storm levels on 04 - 05 June as a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) becomes geoeffective. Quiet to active levels are expected on 06 June as CH HSS effects persist. A decrease to quiet to unsettled levels is expected on 07 - 08 June as the CH HSS wanes. Predominantly quiet levels are expected from 09 - 17 June. Quiet to active levels are expected from 18 - 20 June as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective. A return to mostly quiet levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

903. eHam.net News for Monday 4 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-04 22:40:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9b39b0e04c1ad367e@google.com>
Source record: 2870
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hamfest Brings Together Familar Voices:

Posted: 03 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28424

Some familiar voices got together Saturday in Hermon to meet some not so familiar faces. Members of the Bangor Chapter of the Pine State Amateur Radio Club took part in Ham Fest. It's the 25th year for the event, which gives some ham radio operators a chance to see each other for the first time, even though they may have been talking to each other for years. Club members say despite what some think, the ham radio hobby is alive and well and vital to emergency communications. Jerry Burns, the Ham Fest Chairman, says "9-11, when the Twin Towers came down, most of New York City's communications were gone, so hams came in from all over the Northeast to set up communications links, Katrina, disasters everywhere."

904. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 4 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-05 02:31:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5299be3e3028804c1b07106@google.com>
Source record: 2871
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Dipsea: Radio crew helps annual race run more smoothly - Marin
Independent-Journal

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 06:00 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHpsgiOlx9jata_DazpbBXfwFp44A&url=http://www.marinij.com/dipsea/ci_20781449/dipsea-radio-crew-helps-annual-race-run-more

Dipsea: Radio crew helps annual race run more smoothly
Marin Independent-Journal
By Ian Ross Ham radio operator Doug Slusher talks on the radio during the Dipsea race on Sunday, June12, 2011, in Stinson Beach, Calif. He receives reports of runners progress over Mt. Tamalpais and relays the info to race officials.

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Field Day to promote emergency response of amateur radio operators -
Lincoln County Journal

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 07:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFWLdvG8GqHfJ89_KKBMrcQ-meFCA&url=http://www.lincolncountyjournal.com/?p%3D5054

Field Day to promote emergency response of amateur radio operators
Lincoln County Journal
In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been Amateur Radio. These radio operators, often called “hams” provide backup communications for everything for the American Red Cross to FEMA and even the International Space Station ...

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Amateur Radio World Prefix Maps - Special discount for readers of this
website - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 03 Jun 2012 11:32 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH3KPLjyQUHSEWVIEGd4o-ELmzuRA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/amateur_radio_world_prefix_maps.htm

Amateur Radio World Prefix Maps - Special discount for readers of this
website
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
We have produced an Amateur Radio World Prefix Map which is unbranded, ie

there are no logos on the maps. We have found that Radio Amateurs who own a Yaesu tranceiver do not want a map that has a Kenwood or Icom logo and vice versa, so our maps appeal ...

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Area meetings and events calendar - The Daily Jeffersonian

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 10:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFO1tNJ41RYZVbQa_ZT3TJ6HKWRKg&url=http://www.daily-jeff.com/local%2520news/2012/06/04/area-meetings-and-events-calendar

Area meetings and events calendar
The Daily Jeffersonian
Cambridge Amateur Radio Association (CARA), 7 pm, small pavilion at Cambridge City Park. The topic of discussion will be preparations for the annual ARRL Field Day Exercise. The meeting is open to anyone interested in amateur radio.

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Ham Fest Brings Together Familar Voices - WABI

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 09:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFgKpvET54iOcNhxtEJGWc25UW2Gw&url=http://www.wabi.tv/news/30643/ham-fest-brings-together-familar-voices

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Ham radio operators to demonstrate capabilitiesTCPalm

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Community calendar | Jazz jam at south Starbucks is Sunday - Mercer Island Reporter

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 11:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH-s9F2LOwAjPgzGux1yzOog9uv7w&url=http://www.mi-reporter.com/community/157017565.html

Community calendar | Jazz jam at south Starbucks is Sunday
Mercer Island Reporter
SE Learn about amateur radio communications and emergency preparedness. www.mirohams.org. MIRO (Mercer Island Radio Operators) Field Day: 8 am-6 pm, June 23, Rotary Park, 4320 88th Ave. SE The Mercer Island Ham Radio Operators are hosting a Ham Radio ...

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Cooley joins RMA Board of Trustees - Access North Georgia

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 02:26 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGrMpAX63_67JIOqRBX7SbXTZgewg&url=http://www.accessnorthga.com/detail.php?n%3D249329

Cooley joins RMA Board of Trustees
Access North Georgia
When he was only eight years old he built his first HAM radio transmitter, and he earned his HAM radio operators license by the age of nine. He later studied electronics engineering at Southern Technical Institute. From 1967-72, he served in the ...

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905. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 5 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-05 06:22:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934106559998404c1b3abe0@google.com>
Source record: 2872
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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HAM RADIO AUCTION

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348681-HAM-RADIO-AUCTION&goto=newpost

HAM RADIO AUCTION[/SIZE]Friday after Thanksgiving

November 23, 2012.

Doors open at 5:30pm for sellers. 6:00pm for Buyers[/COLOR]Proceedings
start at 7:00pm promptly.

What to expect: Lots of laughter and good deals.

What to bring: Anything Amateur Radio related. Cash to buy a few items.

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Located at 11-05 Gardiner Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

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906. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 5 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-05 11:03:20 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3074d216d9c15504c1b79815@google.com>
Source record: 2873
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Watch Venus Transit online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jRurmX3EjDQ/watch_venus_transit_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Clint Bradford K6LCS has posted a collection of URL's where you should be
able to watch the June 5-6 Venus transit online from sites around the world

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UI-View and UZ7HO Modem Setup Guide

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zLiSVgxEYBY/ui_view_uz7ho_modem_setup_guide.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Tony K2MO provides a basic setup guide for UI-View and the
UZ7HO sound card AX.25 packet radio modem software

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South East Radio Group 48th Annual Convention

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rva2H5jehp4/south_east_radio_group_48th_annual_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Australia's South East Radio Group will be holding their 48th Annual
Convention next Saturday and Sunday, 9th and 10th June at Mount Gambier.
That’s this coming weekend

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Youth Day Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aEl37wFBxeA/youth_day_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League (SARL) has an agreement with ICASA (the SA
regulator) that will allow unlicensed persons to operate an amateur radio
station under the supervision of a licensed radio amateur without the need
to register as an educational station

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Permanent HF Committee Newsletter 66

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FttDs-kW_s4/permanent_hf_committee_newsletter_66.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU Region 1 Permanent HF committee Newsletter No. 66 is now available

907. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 5 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-05 16:14:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410653e067804c1bbf32d@google.com>
Source record: 2874
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Watch Venus Transit online

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 01:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348911-Watch-Venus-Transit-online&goto=newpost

Watch Venus Transit online

Clint Bradford K6LCS has posted a collection of URL's where you should be
able to watch the June 5-6 Venus transit online from sites around the world

At 22:09 UT on June 5, 2012 the planet Venus will appear as a small, dark
disk moving across the face of the Sun. The transit will finish at 04:49
UTC on June 6 (exact time depends on location of observer).

venus_transit_visibility.gif

Clouds permiting, it may be visible to observers in the UK from dawn (about
03:46 UT in London).

This will be the last time the planet Venus will make the trek across the
face of the sun as seen from Earth until the year 2117.

Note: Observing the Sun directly without appropriate protection can damage
or destroy retinal cells, causing temporary or permanent blindness.

NASA (USA)

http://venustransit.nasa.gov/2012/transit/

NASA Edge

http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/podca...dge/index.html

University of Barcelona (from a telescope in Norway)

https://gaia.am.ub.es/serviastro/www...ive/index.html

National Solar Observatory

http://venustransit.nso.edu/live.html

Exploratorium (via the Mauna Loa Observatory)

http://www.exploratorium.edu/venus/

NASA TV

http://www.nasa.gov/ntv

Coca Cola Space Science Center (from Australia)

http://www.ccssc.org/transit2012.html

Bareket observatory (Israel)

http://www.bareket-astro.com/live-as...june-2012.html

Mt. Lemmon Sky Center

http://skycenter.arizona.edu/annoucement/live

Astronomers Without Borders (from Mt. Wilson, California)

http://www.astronomerswithoutborders...e-webcast.html

The 2012 Transit of Venus using HAM Radio

http://aprs.org/VenusTransit2012.html

Transit of Venus Special Event June 6, 2012

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/may...cial_event.htm

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Italian "Ham Radio Project" by IV3YER

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 12:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348855-Italian-quot-Ham-Radio-Project-quot-by-IV3YER&goto=newpost

Hello everyone, It is with pleasure that I want you to see my dream of 30 years of OM.

My project called "Ham Radio" is fully described in my site

http://www.iv3yer.com

Thank you all for your attention and see you soon in the air. Stay tuned
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Hamvention Official 2012 Attendance

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348682-Hamvention-Official-2012-Attendance&goto=newpost

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "hamvention-owner@yahoogroups.com"

To: hamvention@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Saturday, June 2, 2012 6:41 PM

Subject: [Hamvention] Official 2012 Attendance

The official count for Hamvention® 2012 was announced Friday night at the
DARA Membership meeting.

The count was 24,483.

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Hamvention.org Webmaster

908. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 5 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-05 16:35:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9c0065104c1bc3bc2@google.com>
Source record: 2875
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Don't Mention the 'O' Word...

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 05:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348994-Don-t-Mention-the-O-Word&goto=newpost

This year, the capital of Britain is hosting a major sporting event. The event has very strict controls over the use of many key words and indeed the very numbers of the year associated with it.

It seems that there wasn't much thought as to how amateurs might explain the use of the 'O' prefix, as a number of members started asking how they might do it without inviting a lawsuit.

The RSGB then appears to have obtained confirmation from the offices of the unmentionable organisation in question that certain wording would be acceptable for QSL cards and to use on air, which clear things up a bit, if belatedly. One of the essential benefits of membership, no doubt.

So the only thing to figure out now, seeing as we haven't, as far as I can tell, been granted permission to use any logo, other terms or images, is what the hell to put on the QSL card?

Seeing as this is another 'everybody say yeah!' moment that's poorly thought through, I think I'll stick my 'O' notice of variation in the bin, which will be available in the corner of the shack for OFCOM to inspect throughout its effective period. The public are welcome to visit to witness the 'O' callsign not being used.

For the curious, or the terminally bored, here's the lowdown

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N2S On The Air!!

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 12:18 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348903-N2S-On-The-Air!!&goto=newpost

June 9,2012 1400 UTC to June 9,2012 2000hrs UTC.

28.35mhz, 21.35mhz, 14.25mhz, 7.25mhz

The Overlook Mountain ARC, Kingston, NY[/B][/B] is sponsoring a Special Event Station at the Rondout Valley Scouting Camporee.

This event also celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of America. The theme is Emergency Preparedness and Scouts will be given the opportunity to contact hams throughout the world.

For a QSL card send a SASE envelope or via the Bureau; for a certificate send a SASE 8.5" x 11 " envelope. All requests for a QSL go to N2WCY (QSL mgr) who is in the call book.

Contact: William Ferguson

URL: http://www.omarclub.org

Email: n2vot@aol.com

909. eHam.net News for Tuesday 5 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-05 22:22:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30334f1b32456304c1c11527@google.com>
Source record: 2876
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Field Day to Promote Emergency Response of Amateur Radio Operators:

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28427

Despite the Internet, cell phones, email, and modern communications, every year whole regions find themselves in the dark. Tornadoes, fires, storms, ice, and even the occasional cutting of fiberoptic cables leave people without the means to communicate. In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been Amateur Radio. These radio operators, often called "hams" provide backup communications for everything for the American Red Cross to FEMA and even the International Space Station. Montgomery County "hams" will join with thousands of other Amateur Radio Operators showing their emergency capabilities June 23 and 24. The "hams" will set up at 100 Blue Stem Lane in Hawk Point, Mo.

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Amateurs Broadcast from Local Submarine War Museum:

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28426

Muskogee - Amateur radio operators aboard the USS Batfish contacted other war museum radio operators worldwide on Saturday and Sunday. The USS Batfish/USS Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club hosted a special event as part of the annual "Museum Ships Weekend" celebration created by the amateur radio club affiliated with the USS New Jersey (BB62). This event promoted the hobby of amateur radio, as well as the preservation of the heritage of sailing ships around the world. Past and present U.S. warships and warship museums, as well as merchant and passenger vessel museums from other countries, participated in this weekend event. Radio operators at this event used multiple amateur radio frequencies to contact other ships, as well as other amateur radio operators around the world by voice, Morse code, and computer. The contacts that this club made included radio operators in Moscow, Northern Africa, Hawaii, New Zealand, and an operator flying above Arizona at 38,000 feet.

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Amateur Radio 'Hams' Still Found Up and Down the Dial:

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28425

There are more than 50 among us on the North Fork, though you might not know just by looking at them. vAmateur radio operators silently surround us, though they could be your only hope when other modes of communication fail. "Amateur radio operation is sort of a stealth hobby because it's sometimes seen as being geeky," said Jim Baker, W2NSF, the president of the Peconic Amateur Radio Club. W2NSF is Mr. Baker's call signal, the code he relays during transmissions to identify himself to other amateur radio operators, or "hams." "Amateur radio operators are also misunderstood because we're only 'amateur' because we don't get paid for what we do. It doesn't mean that we're not professional in the way we execute our jobs when we're given them."

910. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-031E - Canada Day Contest

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 01:33:00 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FCEB315.1040505@rac.ca>
Source record: 2877
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-031E - Canada Day Contest
2012-06-04

A reminder to all Amateur Radio Operators that our Canada Day Contest is just over three weeks away. This is a great opportunity have a little fun on the airways and compete with others over a twenty four hour period. What better way to celebrate Canada's birthday!

Whether you choose to operate as an individual or as part of a group, get on the air and see how many Official RAC stations that you can rack up. Also, check with your Regional Director to ensure that all possible RAC call signs for your Section are on the air, giving folks the best possible opportunity to pick up the "bonus points".

RAC Canada Day Contest - 0000 - 2359 UTC - July 1, 2012

For all of this years rules and details, please visit theRAC website <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2012%20RAC%20Canda%20Day%20Contest%20Rules%20-%20English%20and%20French.pdf>.

The very best of luck to everyone and have fun!

http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2012%20RAC%20Canda%20Day%20Contest%20Rules%20-%20English%20and%20French.pdf

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911. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 5 June 2012

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Source record: 2878
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Hamilton County "Hams" to join national deployment 24 hour field drill;
Public ... - Indianapolis Star

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 05:39 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFgjLGLq8-J-WsW6jSc9urwKx-cYA&url=http://newsfromyou.indystar.com/posts/hamilton-county-hams-to-join-national-deployment-24-hour-field-drill-public-invited-to-participate-june-23-24

Hamilton County “Hams” to join national deployment 24 hour field drill;
Public ...
Indianapolis Star
Federally licensed amateur radio operators from all over Hamilton County
will join thousands of other “hams,” during a 24-hour field exercise to
test their disaster wireless capabilities June 23-24 at Carmel Clay Parks &
Recreations Central Park in ...
Public Demo of Emergency Communications June 23-24Cape May County Herald
(press release)
Clevelands Amateur Radio Club celebrates 50th yearCleveland Daily Banner

all 2 news articles

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New Providence kids make radio contacts around the world - Independent
Press - NJ.com

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 07:32 AM PDT
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New Providence kids make radio contacts around the world
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By Independent Press How much fun is Ham Radio? Just ask these two two, who
are operating an Amateur Radio Station set up by members of NPARC, the
radio club of the Watchung Hills area. Maycee Campano, an elementary school
student in Berkeley Heights, ...

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Ham radio club sets demonstration - Longview News-Journal

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Ham radio club sets demonstration
Longview News-Journal
The Longview East Texas Amateur Radio Club will be demonstrating amateur radio operations at the Red Cross Building, Loop 281 and Texas 31, beginning at noon June 23. The group invites the public to visit and see ham radios new capabilities and learn ...

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Ham radio operators to demonstrate capabilities - TCPalm

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Ham radio operators to demonstrate capabilities
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By news release Thousands of ham radio operators worldwide will show off their emergency capabilities the fourth weekend of June. The Martin County Amateur Radio Association and Martin County Amateur Radio Emergency Service are demonstrating amateur ...
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Youth Day Event - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHSW7Cn8DPsl5ocodWoaLzoDGqwow&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/youth_day_event.htm

Youth Day Event
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The South African Radio League (SARL) has an agreement with ICASA (the SA regulator) that will allow unlicensed persons to operate an amateur radio station under the supervision of a licensed radio amateur without the need to register as an educational ...

912. The ARRL Contest Update for June 6, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 05:23:10 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120606042149.4D63F25380@bmail.arrl.org>
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Along with the many VHF+ contests hoping to "catch a wave" during
sporadic E season, check out the All-Asian CW contest to pick up some
contacts from the other side of the globe! On phone, Kids Day is all
about satisfying the curiosity of a youngster or two who wants to see
what this ham radio business is all about. Spend a few hours enjoying
ham radio with them!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

My log-checking report is full! Katie is WY7KRA not KRB, John is K9JK
not N9JK. (Thanks, Katie WY7KRA, Trey N5KO, and Phil N9KAH)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

June 9-10
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==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

ARRL VHF+ contests have new names beginning immediately! From ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X, "The June VHF QSO Party has a long history but we felt it was time the name of the event properly reflected what it was: a contest. We're still working out all the details in the Contest Branch and on the ARRL website to get everything properly converted, but you will soon see references to the January, June and September ARRL VHF Contests, not QSO Parties or Sweepstakes." (No change is required to submit a log since the Cabrillo-format CONTEST: name for these events does not refer to "QSO Party" or "Sweepstakes".)

The Packrats and the Northeast Weak Signal (NEWS) VHF clubs are sponsoring a VHF conference on October 12, 13 and 14, in Bensalem, PA. Early-bird rates are available and all details are online on the Packrats <http://www.packratvhf.com> website. Papers and presentations are requested on any and all topics related to VHF+ communication, theory, construction, operation, antennas, contesting, safety, modes, EME, digital techniques and more. Send your submission to Rick, K1DS <rick1ds@hotmail.com>.

At the Dayton Hamvention, WRTC2014 <http://wrtc2014.org> Chairman Doug Grant, K1DG <K1DG@WRTC2014.org> reported on the progress of one of WRTC2014's popular fund-raising opportunities - Tent Sponsorship in which a club donates a modest sum to help acquire all the necessary equipment to support a WRTC station. In return, the club logo is displayed on the tent and the club is acknowledged in the event's

promotional material. Several large clubs have already committed to sponsoring multiple tents: YCCC, NCCC, and PVRC are leading the way with three tents each. Non-club groups can also participate by sponsoring a tent in the memory of a contester whose key has gone silent. Tents are already being sponsored to honor fallen comrades W4AN, N6ZZ, K5KA, W4AI/ZD8J, W2PV, KC1F, W5ZL, KL7FH & KL7Y, and I2UIY.

The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com> reports that the 2013 Visalia International DX Convention <http://www.dxconvention.org/> will be changing venues from the Holiday Inn near Highway 99 to the larger Downtown Visalia Conference Center and adjacent Marriott Hotel. The dates remain the unchanged from those previously announced - April 19-21, 2013. The convention website still refers to the Holiday Inn as the venue but keep an eye on the site for updates. Hotel reservations should be available through the convention website beginning the week of June 18th.

Scott W3TX contributed the following information from PROMED <http://www.promedmail.org> regarding ticks and Lyme disease, the bane of Beverage walkers and antenna farm builders. "While ticks normally become active in spring, this year's [2012] mild winter has brought them out earlier than normal. Although the adults, which are actively feeding now, can transmit the disease, CDC reports that most humans are infected by immature ticks known as nymphs, which feed spring through summer. When it comes to preventing tick bites, there are several precautions a person can take. The best way to minimize the threat of Lyme disease is to keep contact with the bloodsuckers to a minimum. This can be done by avoiding places where they are most likely found, including wooded and bushy areas, or areas with high grass. If you do anticipate contact with one of these high risk areas, it's important to wear a hat, long sleeves and pants, and to use insect repellant containing 20 per cent or more DEET on the exposed skin," Dr Kara Mascitti said. "It's also important to do a thorough tick check when returning indoors to remove any ticks that might have gotten on you despite these measures. Showering immediately upon returning indoors can also wash away ticks that haven't yet attached to the skin. If you do find a tick on you, the best way to remove it is to grab it as close to the skin as possible and pull up with a steady, consistent motion. Afterward, wash your hands and the bite area thoroughly with rubbing alcohol or soap and water. As for clothing and gear that comes in contact with the body such as backpacks, it's a good idea to treat them with a permethrin-based product designed to kill and repel ticks. CDC also recommends putting clothes in the dryer for one hour on high heat to kill any ticks that may be on them." The full article is available online <http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/sports/index..ssf/2012/04/lyme_disease_is_on_the_rise_in.html>.

The PW7T team had a good time in the recent CQ WPX CW contest with a goal of avoiding band-change errors that cost them a place in the standings last year. How did they do? You can read all about it in

their writeup about the contest at the Forteleza DX Group's website <http://www.pw7t.net/2012/05/wpx-cw-pw7tpt7cb-m2-hp-3/>. (Thanks, Luc PY8AZT)

One-day "university" events are popping up all over as hams flock to opportunities to learn about technical and operating subjects. The best-known is Contest University but any hamfest or convention is liable to feature classes. For example, at the upcoming W9DXCC <http://www.w9dxcc.com> convention, they are sponsoring an all-day training event, "DX'ing from the Black Hole", held on the day before the main convention and aimed specifically at new and inexperienced DXers. This type of course adds real value to hamfests and flea markets, encouraging hams to spend a day learning something new and useful. Perhaps offering classes like this would enliven a hamfest near you?

Hi-Z Antennas <http://www.hizantennas.com/> has reached a licensing agreement to resume selling their receiving antenna arrays. The company had been entangled in a patent dispute, now apparently resolved.

Gene Zimmerman W3ZZ <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-the-world-above-50-mhz-conductor-gene-zimmerman-w3zz-sk> became a Silent Key on 3 June at the age of 71. Gene was a giant in the world of radiosport. Not only was he an excellent and knowledgeable operator, but worked tirelessly behind the scenes as a member of contest committees and advisory groups. QST readers probably know him best as the editor of "The World Above 50 MHz" column, with sharp analysis of propagation and events. His many friends will miss his legendary story-telling and the gleam in his eye as he skewered miscreants. Bob N6TV has published an album of W3ZZ photos <http://bit.ly/W3ZZphotos> for the enjoyment and remembrance of all. See the Results and Records section of this newsletter for news about two new awards created to honor Gene.

Web Site of the Week - If you would like to find out more about the stations you hear in contests, Pete N4ZR reports that his website "World HF Contest Station Database <http://www.conteststations.com>" is "back from the dead" and waiting for your station updates! My info was certainly out of date but is now current. (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

WORD TO THE WISE

Recent editions of the ARRL Handbook and ARRL Antenna Book include a CD-ROM with plenty of supplemental material and software. In particular, the Handbook's CD-ROM includes three complete chapters on operating: Space, Digital, and Image. You'll find a Smith Chart tutorial on the Antenna Book's CD along with handy software like HFTA and TLW, too. Check 'em out!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

For those who missed the Dayton Top Band Dinner, Frank W3LPL's presentation "1921 Transatlantic Tests, Progenitors to Modern Top Band

Contests and DXing <http://topbanddinner.com/page_presentations.html>"
is available on-line.

What happens after a 2000-foot tower falls? (Yes, it made a
sound...) As Bob N6TV found, "This 27-minute video
<http://www.weau.com/video/?autoStart=true&topVideoCatNo=default&clipId=6995960>
takes you through every step, from the original construction, to the
failure (due to ice), to the construction and installation of its
replacement less than a year later. It's pretty cool to see every step
of the big tower construction, from steel fabrication, to galvanizing,
to cable manufacture, and then to the final installation and power-up
of the transmitters."

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Results for the record-breaking 2011 ARRL 10 Meter Contest are now live
on the ARRL Contest Branch results website
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. Record scores
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-records> through 2011 are also posted. The
2012 RTTY Roundup and January VHF Sweepstakes extended results are also
online. Thanks to our new writeup authors Scott K7ZO (10 Meter) and
Kevin W9GKA (Jan VHF) for great writeups along with old pro, Jay WS7I
(RTTY Roundup). (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Speaking of VHF+ contests, certificates for the 2011 ARRL June VHF
Contest are arriving in mailboxes across the land. There was a bit of a
surprise for the winners this year - completely redesigned certificates
with cool graphics and a new layout - each contest will have its own
four-color certificate! (Thanks, Sean KX9X)

Two new VHF contest operating awards honoring Gene W3ZZ have been
created just in time for his favorite VHF+ operating event, the ARRL
June VHF Contest. Tim K3LR and Dave W9ZRX are sponsoring the brand-new
W3ZZ Rookie Award for the top Single-Op, Low Power score made on a
minimum of two bands by a "rookie" submitting a log in the contest for
the first time (no limit on how long the operator has been licensed).
In addition, as Gene was a long-time member of the K8GP Grid Pirates
who frequently operated in the Limited Multioperator category, the ARRL
Contest Branch has renamed the Overall Limited Multioperator plaque the
Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ Memorial Plaque and thanks Jeff K1TEO, who
graciously gave up his sponsorship of the plaque to allow this to
happen. As these awards have just been announced, watch the ARRL
Contest Branch <http://www.arrl.org/contests> website for any further
information or answers to questions.

The January 2012 NAQP CW preliminary results
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqpcwprelim.php> are now available on the NCJ
website. Congratulations to N9RV for his first place single-op finish
and new all-time record (breaking his own record). The top five scores
broke the existing record. Many other state records were also set. SSB
results should be available shortly. (Thanks, Bruce WA7BNM)

2011 California QSO Party results <http://www.cqp.org/Results.html> have also made their online debut along with updated records <http://www.cqp.org/Records.html>. The data, charts, and reports were prepared by K6TD, AD6E, and K6MM. (Thanks, Al AD6E)

The final results for the 2011 New York QSO Party <http://www.nyqp.org> have been posted at. In addition, there is a full listing of 2011 plaque winners. Participation in 2011 was great and all are looking forward to the 2012 NYQP on October 20. (Thanks, Dean NW2K)

Following the announcement that 2012 Dayton Hamvention attendance was 24,483 and based on extensive research and modeling, Doug K1DG has determined "17000 hams will show up if there are no sunspots. For every uptick of 1 in the total SSN for the year, 800 more will attend." So get out those Cycle 24 predictions and start your hotel reservation planning!

OPERATING TIP

During WPX CW we heard many examples of why using "cut numbers <http://www.qsl.net/zs1an/contesting_faq.html>" is not such a good idea. Cut numbers increase the chances of copying errors. They really don't save much time and what's saved is often lost again due to repeats and fills. Nevertheless, here are some of Jim K8MR's guidelines for using them...if you must:
1. Avoid using them except for numbers that are already known (such as a CQ zone) or sent repeatedly (such as RST or when sending power in the ARRL DX contests).
2. Leading T's (zeros) in serial numbers are OK but not for more than three total digits.
3. Don't ever mix cut numbers and letters: For example, ENNA for the grid square EN91 is very bad form.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Don WD8DSB recently built two W7IUV <http://www.w7iuv.com/> preamps and has documented <http://sites.google.com/site/rxpreamps/> the project online which might be useful for others considering building the preamp. He used the W7IUV double-sided circuit board method and has artwork for the board at a 1:1 scale along with a parts placement guide that can be downloaded in PDF document format.

Stew K3ND reports very good results <http://k7vc.com/402cd.html> from reinforcing a CushCraft 40-2CD according to the W6NL modifications. This antenna has survived ice, heavy wet snow, and high winds. The newer model CC XM-240 can be strengthened in the same way.

Amphenol UHF connectors are often recommended as "best practice" for coaxial cables at HF (although there are some good versions available from other vendors). There are quite a few variations, though - to be sure you know which one to get, go to the Amphenol website <http://www.amphenolrf.com/> where you can view the complete line, including installation instructions (good for just about all UHF connectors), drawings, detail specifications, and even check

distributor stock and inventory. Frank W3LPL notes that the base part number for a PL-259 from Amphenol is 83-1SP and anything after the "P" indicates a variation from the standard connector. (Thanks, Gary K9GS)

The bidirectional Beverage antenna
<http://www.google.com/patents?id=oN5iAAAAEBAJ&printsec=abstract&zoom=4&dq=1434984#v=onepage&q=1434984&f=false>
was patented by Harold Beverage in 1922. When he built the huge RCA receiver site at Riverhead, Long Island, the Beverages were built as bidirectional using a passive combiner with variable amplitude and phase to provide steerable deep nulls off the rear of the array. The antenna is described in this seminal article "The Wave Antenna <http://www.nrcdxas.org/articles/WaveAntenna.pdf>" published in 1923. Perhaps the largest steerable phased Beverage array ever built was the four-Beverage array
<http://www.smecc.org/general_electric_computers/HoultonTelephone2.jpg>
at AT&T's transatlantic radiotelephone site in Houlton, Maine, straddling present day I-95 a few miles west of the Canadian border. (Thanks, Frank W3LPL)

Just in time for the summer's sporadic E season comes a timely item by Bruce K0YW in ARRL Propagation Bulletin <http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation> ARLP018 about noise figure and preamps on 6 meters. "At 6 Meters and below the employment of a preamp ahead of most modern transceivers is not likely to result in any noticeable improvement as the ambient thermal noise from the earth and sky background is high enough to readily overcome the sensitivity threshold of the existing receiver's RF stage/s, especially if the myriads of local man-made noise sources are added in. It is this combination of factors that will establish the 'Noise Floor' that the radio sees." Bruce goes on to explain why preamps are rarely useful at HF and on 6 meters - the original bulletin has more information.

Technical Web Site of the Week - From the ARRL Propagation Bulletin <http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation> ARLP021, Don NJ2E alerted us to the National Air and Space Lecture Series including one titled "The Solar Dynamics Observatory: The Sun Up Close and Personal <http://airandspace.si.edu/events/eventDetail.cfm?eventID=2768>". Click on the View Archived Recording link to watch the 71-minute video.

==> CONVERSATION

Thailand - Coming Alive on HF At Last

Following 2011's devastating flooding in Thailand, Thai hams displayed tremendous ham spirit and skill in assisting with disaster relief. Even limited to VHF, their skills were obvious to the authorities who had long resisted opening the HF airwaves except to a select few clubs and individuals. Long-time Thai licensee, Fred K3ZO (also known as HS0ZAR) has been following developments closely and has some good news to share with readers of the Contest Update. It may not be very long before we

hear more and more new Thai call signs on the HF bands!

73, Ward N0AX

The long-awaited Thailand Amateur Radio Intermediate Class license exam -- the gateway to HF privileges for Thai licensees -- was held on May 19. This is the first time the examination has been given since November 27, 2004. So for over seven years Thailand's roughly 150,000 - 175,000 Novice licensees had been limited to Novice Class privileges, which amount to 10 watts on 2 meter channelized FM.

Unlike most countries in the world, Thailand has not abolished the Morse exam and in fact the first part of the exam to be given was the 8 wpm Morse receiving test, which only 43 out of 151 examinees (including 3 YLs) passed. Those 43 were allowed to take the written exam which will be graded by Thailand's NBTC, that country's equivalent of the FCC. The results will be known in about a month and apparently a public ceremony will be held to acknowledge the accomplishment of these folks.

>From my vantage point as a close observer and sometime participant in Thailand's ham radio affairs for the past 44 years, I feel strongly that this event is a real milestone in Thailand's ham radio progress, for the following reasons:

1) For a national radio society, RAST (Radio Amateur Society of Thailand) has long been top-heavy with foreign-born member participation. While Thai hams were required by Thai regulations to join RAST in order to receive their Intermediate Class licenses, few showed up at meetings to participate actively in club affairs. Under the new and dynamic leadership of RAST's current president, Prof. Pornchai ("Joe") Semjang HS2JFW, this is changing. The preparations and arrangements for this examination session were all done by Thai hams, including the setting up of the venue, coordination with the NBTC and drawing up of the question pool. This is not to minimize in any way the importance of the roles of Joe's two immediate predecessors Mayuree Chotikul HS1YL, who skilfully navigated the Society through troubled waters in very difficult political times, and Chaiyong Wongwuticomjon HS1QVD, who carefully prepared RAST for the newly enlarged role it has assumed in the modern era and whose great vision brokered the ascension of Joe to the presidency.

2) It was a tremendous accomplishment for the organizers of this examination to bring together virtually the entire corps of experienced Thai-national CW HF DXers to handle the Morse part of the examination. These are precisely the folks that RAST needs to have managing its affairs because of their close understanding of HF operations and international regulations and customs. Few of them had been active participants in RAST affairs before this. Hopefully this will encourage them to continue their participation.

3) The close cooperation between the NBTC and RAST in this event augurs well for the future. To a certain extent such cooperation in the recent

past was made difficult by the very slow evolution that Thailand's regulatory body had to undergo. All along it was hampered by political uncertainty and so organizational inertia was often a logical response to such dilemmas. Now that the NBTC has finally been fully and legally constituted, impediments to future such cooperation will hopefully be minimized.

4) I would be remiss if I were not to mention the behind-the-scenes work in support of RAST's efforts over many years by the Thai Army's Maj. Narissara Shaowanasai HS1CHB. His uncanny knack for recognizing the leadership qualities of people like Joe and Champ E21EIC and picking them out of the crowd to propel them into becoming active and effective RAST officers cannot be overemphasized.

Does the fact that the Morse exam eliminated so many candidates right off the bat mean that Thailand will move to follow other countries and eliminate Morse as an examination requirement? Not necessarily. Please read the article on the RAST website <http://www.qsl.net/rast/> about the examination written by Champ E21EIC. You can detect a certain pride that Thailand is one of the few countries in the world still having a Morse exam requirement and a feeling on his part that many more candidates came close to passing the Morse exam and will be motivated to work on their CW.

A brief video montage about the session is on YouTube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iasjR91Kv10&feature=player_embedded>. Now that RAST has demonstrated the fact that it can assemble a pool of talented Morse operators to give that part of the exam, I predict that exams will get back to being held on a regular basis again.

73, Fred, K3ZO

==> CONTESTS

6 June through 19 June 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW,Digital, from Jun 8, 0200Z to Jun 8, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial number, name, S/P/C. Logs due: none. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com>

WFF Green Days--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 9, 0000Z to Jun 10, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and WFF number if available. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.wff44.org>

DRCG Long Distance Contest--Digital, from Jun 9, 0000. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, CQ Zone, and UTC time. Logs due: Aug 1. Rules <http://www.drcg.de>

Australian Shires Contest--Phone,CW, from Jun 9, 0600Z to Jun 10, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and VK Shire or CQ Zone. Logs due: Sep 1. Rules <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vkshires>

Asia-Pacific Sprint--Phone, from Jun 9, 1100Z to Jun 9, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 14-21. Exchange: RST, serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

Portugal Day--Phone,CW, from Jun 9, 1200Z to Jun 10, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial or district code. Logs due: Sep 1. Rules <http://portugaldaycontest.rep.pt>

GACW WWSA CW DX Contest--CW, from Jun 9, 1500Z to Jun 10, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, CQ zone. Logs due: Jul 30. Rules http://www.wwsatest.org

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Jun 13, 0030Z to Jun 13, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Jun 13, 1300Z. Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed, 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

All-Asian DX Contest--CW, from Jun 16, 0000Z to Jun 17, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, operator age (YL may send 00). Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://www.jarl.or.jp/English>

SARL Youth Day Sprint--Phone, from Jun 16, 0800Z to Jun 16, 1000Z. Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: RS and age. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za>

Stew Perry Warmup Contest--CW, from Jun 16, 1500Z to Jun 17, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: 4-char grid square. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://web.jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>

QRP ARCI QRP Shootout--Phone,CW, from Jun 16, 1500Z. See website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. CW on Saturday, SSB on Sunday. Exchange: Category, ARRL/RAC section or DX. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

West Virginia QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 16, 1600Z to Jun 17, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: CW--35 kHz from band edge, Phone--35 kHz from General/Nov/Tech segments. Exchange: RS(T), WV county or S/P/C. Logs due: Jul 20. Rules <http://www.qsl.net/wvsarc>

Kid's Day--Phone, from Jun 16, 1800Z to Jun 16, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Name, age, location, favorite color. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>

Feld-Hell Field Day Sprint--Digital, from Jun 16, 2000Z to Jun 16, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules

<http://www.feldhellclub.org>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Jun 18, 0200Z to Jun 18, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL June VHF QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 9, 1800Z to Jun 11, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 50+. Exchange: Grid square. Logs due: Jul 11. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

REF DDFM Six Meter Contest--Phone,CW, from Jun 9, 1600Z to Jun 10, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: RST, serial number, grid square. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://concours.ref-union.org>

SMIRK QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 16, 0000Z to Jun 17, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: Grid square and member number. Logs due: Aug 1. Rules <http://www.smirk.org>

WAB 50 MHz Phone--Phone, from Jun 17, 0900Z to Jun 17, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: RS, serial, WAB square or DXCC entity. Logs due: 21 days. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk>

LOG DUE DATES

6 June through 19 June 2012

- June 9 - VK/Trans-Tasman 80m Contest, Phone
<http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/transtasman/>
- June 9 - Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
<http://qrp.ru/contest/wakeup/333-wakeup-eng>
- June 10 - QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8394/118/>
- June 10 - His Maj. King of Spain Contest, CW
<http://www.ure.es/contest/431-sm-el-rey-contest-english-version.html>
- June 10 - DigiFest
<http://www.mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/rulese2012.html>
- June 11 - FISTS Spring Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>
- June 12 - CQ-M International DX Contest
<http://www.srr.ru/CONTEST/cq_m_12_eng.php>
- June 13 - Nevada Mustang Roundup
<http://www.nvqsoparty.info/nevada-mustang-round-up.html>
- June 15 - Indiana QSO Party <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp/rules.html>
- June 15 - Aegean RTTY Contest
<http://www.aegeandxgroup.gr/dx%20pdf/AEGEAN%20RTTY%20CONTEST%20RULES%20neo.pdf>
- June 15 - Portuguese Navy Day Contest, Digital
<http://www.nra.pt/navy--contest-2012-in.html>
- June 16 - HA3NS Sprint Memorial Contest
<http://radioamator.honlapepites.hu/?PHPSESSID=e57dd37c356355de9489e83e42&p=1280>
- June 17 - UT5EU VHF Memorial Contest
<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/ut5euvhf.txt>
- June 18 - 10-10 Int. Open Season PSK Contest

<http://www.ten-ten.org/oseason/oseason.html>
- June 19 - RSGB National Field Day
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/rnfd.shtml>

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913. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 29 May 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 05:32:33 UTC
From: ŚŁĄ□□ĬḂąṜṯf□□□ <slarti@norway-coastline.net>
Message-ID: <jqmq1n$cn6$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2880
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

The Radio Communications Foundation is pleased to announce that agreement has been reached with the Air Cadets Organisation (ACO) to accept a pass in their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent examination as equivalent to a pass in the Amateur Radio Foundation examination

Bloody hell, not more kids on the air!

914. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 6 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 06:28:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341065e0cecc04c1c7de22@google.com>
Source record: 2881
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Cortland NY Hamfest Saturday June 9 2012 Cortland County Fairgrounds.

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 03:23 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348927-Cortland-NY-Hamfest-Saturday-June-9-2012-Cortland-County-Fairgrounds&goto=newpost

http://www.skylineradioclub.org/summerfest

Skyline Amateur Radio Club Summer Hamfest Saturday June 9

The Cortland Hamfest will be held on Saturday June 9 2012 from 7AM to 1PM
at the Cortland County Fairgrounds.

Admission: $5.00 each

Outdoor Flea Market: Free with admission

Indoor Flea Market: $5.00 per 10' space plus admission - contact Andy
Slaugh for reservations by clicking on his name.

Dealers: $10.00 per 8' space

VE Testing for all levels

Walk-ins welcome, registrations appreciated.

Tests begin at 9AM sharp with no late entry allowed.

Travel Directions:

I-81 to exit 12, follow sign to Ithaca and Route 281

Turn left on to Route 281 South

Travel 8/10m mile; turn left on to Fisher Ave.

Turn right again on to Fairgrounds Dr.

From Ithaca:

Route 13 North to Route 281 North

Follow Route 281 through the city of Cortland

Turn right on to Fisher Ave

Turn right again on to Fairgrounds Dr.

http://www.skylineradioclub.org/summerfest

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73 K2HAT Lee
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915. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 6 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 11:08:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <00504502eb90fdab3d04c1cbc7c9@google.com>
Source record: 2882
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Former 'The World Above 50 MHz' Conductor Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ - SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FMl0DJxtrA0/gene_zimmerman_w3zz_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, of Gaithersburg, Maryland, passed away on Sunday, June 3. He was 71. Zimmerman wrote the popular QST column 'The World Above 50 MHz' from 2002-2011

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ARISS ham radio contact with Kawatinagano Higashi Junior High School, Kawatinagano, Japan

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HDZAek_Z_9U/ariss_event_0606.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Kawatinagano Higashi Junior High School, Kawatinagano, Japan on 06 June

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GB2NWA Air-Britain Fly-In Weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bgnuvgHSmB8/gb2nwa_air_britain_fly_in_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Loughton and Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society (LEFARS) will be activating GB2NWA from North Weald Airfield June 9-10, during the Air-Britain Fly-In

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Teide Volcano activation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eIM5YTNvXxI/teide_volcano_activation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Grupo DX Teide will once again activate the Teide Volcano, the highest point in Spain, between June 30th and July 2nd. The last operation was in 2007 using the callsign AN8TID

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STRaND-2 and OSCAR-5 in SatMagazine

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/F4Ye-5X0kc0/strand2_and_oscar5_in_satmagazine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The STRaND-2 nanosats and OSCAR-5 feature in the June issue of the free publication SatMagazine

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SSTV QuickStart for TS-590S

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NdvrIvUmraQ/sstv_quickstart_for_ts_590s.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ian Wade G3NRW has released a Kenwood TS-590S Slow Scan TV (SSTV) QuickStart Guide

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St. Paul Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6_DrE0zEJR4/st_paul_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In less than two months the CY9M team will be making their way to Sydney, Nova Scotia, then onwards to the northernmost tip of Cape Breton, ready to depart for St Paul island on July 26th

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ARRL Board of Directors approves 9 cm band plan

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/55eQb7XxeYE/arrl_board_of_directors_approves_9cm_band_plan.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL Board of Directors has unanimously voted to approve the 9 cm band plan, as presented by the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee

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Canada Day Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lhbdbQ-K5jg/canada_day_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Canada Day Contest is just over three weeks away. This is a great opportunity have a little fun on the airways and compete with others over a twenty four hour period. What better way to celebrate Canada's birthday!

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Shrine of Fatima activation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PiQkLeDVZdo/shrine_of_fatima_activation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Amateur Radio Association of the District of Leiria (ARAL) will activate CS5FAT from its facilities in the Cova da Iria at the Shrine of Fatima in Portugal between June 10-13th

916. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 6 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 16:07:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e83ae4bcf7304c1cff622@google.com>
Source record: 2883
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Beaming to South America

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 11:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349046-Beaming-to-South-America&goto=newpost

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http://www.facebook.com/WwsaCwContest

Visit us and leave there your remarks and pictures.

:cool:WWSA CW Contest web site with rules, videos, pictures, etc.

www.wwsatest.org

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Re the barefootnet,0n 40 meters.

Posted: 04 Jun 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348945-Re-the-barefootnet-0n-40-meters&goto=newpost

Hello all and thanks for your participation on the barefoot net.we have had
some bad noise come up on 7.142.00 so we have decided to go to 7.170.00 and
make the net a bit later at 11.30z.thanks to all for being patient,but as
you know setting up a net takes a bit of work.the net will work 7 days a
week and we encourage all standard power users to join in as well as the
people who run big power.everyone is welcome on this net.vk3vin ian
westerland will be net control,and myself vk3hjd will be there to assist.we
also encourage all whitestick operators around vk and the world to join
in.thanks for your cooperation and look forward to hearing you all,best
73's vk3hjd john and vk3vin ian.

917. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 6 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 16:38:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043fd6ed9404c1d06366@google.com>
Source record: 2884
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-155 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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June 3, 2012

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STEM Education Identified as Critical for Continued Rides to Space

The AMSAT Forum at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention featured news of the educational opportunities for AMSAT to contribute to the innovation in attracting and retaining students in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, or STEM, disciplines. Educators have identified STEM programs as a priority in strengthening the Nation's future workforce.

"Education is important to us", said AMSAT Vice-President Educational Relations Mark Hammond N8MH, "It's a part of our mission and vision." Mark noted several key points of AMSAT's support for STEM education:

AMSAT is a non-profit volunteer organization which designs, builds and operates experimental satellites and promotes space education.AMSAT works in partnership with government, industry, educational institutions and fellow amateur radio societies.AMSAT encourages technical and scientific innovation, and promotes the training and development of skilled satellite and ground system designers and operators.

As evidenced by this year's acceptance of AMSAT's Project Fox cubesat in the NASA "Educational Launch of NanoSat", the ELaNa program, we were selected on our merit in support of NASA strategic and educational goals. Education is quickly becoming critical for our ride to space.

The recently formed Educational Partnership between AMSAT and ARRL, including NASA is looking for help. We need to develop an education program on the ground starting now. We have resources already available for STEM education in both the K-12 classroom and at the University level while our satellite builders work on the next flight.

For example, the huge collection of telemetry data collected during the recent ARISSat-1 flight is available on our FTP server. This data presents an opportunity for the utilization of satellite data in the classroom (through plotting, graphing, analyzing).

An immediate need is for volunteers to collect and organize existing STEM related lesson plans and ideas from the web, useful to K-12 educators and relevant to amateur radio and satellite. Critical steps such as this will allow ARISSat-1 telemetry data to be used in the classroom. Similar lesson plans and ideas can be used for educational

purposes in future satellite missions, such as Fox-1 and Fox-2.

To support this effort specific tasks have been identified and now volunteers are needed to support:

+ Educators: We need lesson plans/ideas related to satellites and amateur radio. ARISSat-1 telemetry data needs to be used in the

classroom!Educators: sign up for ARRL Teacher's Institute program!Web content person for AMSAT's education web pages.Also to maintain a calendar of amateur radio youth events.Archivist/publicist of satellite educational activities (photos, stories for AMSAT Journal, press, videos).Mentors and ground station operators (with equipment!) for ARISS contacts.Look for opportunities to engage youth, and document it (photos, articles, AMSAT Journal, press).

To volunteer contact Mark directly at n8mh at amsat.org. The AMSAT-EDU mailing list is the place to exchange education project ideas and to learn how to help with our educational outreach. Information on how to join the AMSAT-EDU list can be found on the AMSAT web.

AMSAT's vision is to deploy satellite systems with the goal of providing wide area and continuous coverage. AMSAT will continue active participation in human space missions and support a stream of LEO satellites developed in cooperation with the educational community and other amateur satellite groups. This is a path to getting Fox-1 in orbit, and our future Fox-2, ARISSat-2, -3, -?

Again, the key contact is AMSAT Vice-President Educational Relations Mark Hammond N8MH - n8mh at amsat.org.

[ANS thanks Mark Hammond, N8MH for the above information]

AMSAT-NA Board of Directors Nominations

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. A valid nomination requires either one current Member Society, or five current individual members in good standing, to nominate an AMSAT-NA member for the position.

Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK.

The three nominees receiving the highest number of votes will be seated as regular board members with two year terms. The two nominees receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternate directors for one year.

Written nominations, consisting of names, calls and individual signatures, should be mailed to: AMSAT-NA, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. They must be received no later than June 15th. No other action is required.

Nominations may also be made by electronic means including e-mail, FAX, or electronic image of a petition. Electronic petitions should be sent to MARTHA@AMSAT.ORG or faxed to 301-608-3410, and also must be received by June 15th. If using any electronic submission, there is a second, verifying step:

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WITHOUT THIS SECOND, WRITTEN VERIFICATION ARE NOT VALID UNDER THE EXISTING AMSAT-NA BYLAWS. A verifying traditional written petition MUST be received at the AMSAT-NA office at the above address within 7 days following the close of nominations.

[ANS Thanks AMSAT Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

AMSAT-UK Colloquium 2012 Second Call for Speakers

This is the second call for speakers for the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium 2012 which, due to the Olympic & Paralympic Games, will be held the weekend of September 15-16, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ, United Kingdom.

AMSAT-UK has posted details of the 2012 Colloquium on-line.

AMSAT-UK invites speakers, to cover topics about micro-satellites, CubeSats, nano-sats, space and associated activities, for this event.

They are also invited to submit papers for subsequent publishing on the AMSAT-UK web site. We normally prefer authors to present talks themselves rather than having someone else give them in the authors' absence. We also welcome "unpresented" papers for the web site.

We appreciate that it is not always possible to give a firm indication of attendance at this stage but expressions of interest would be appreciated.

Submissions should be sent *ONLY* to G4DPZ, via the following routes:

e-mail: david dot johnson at blackpepper dot co dot ukPostal address at http://www.qrz.com/db/G4DPZ

AMSAT-UK also invite anyone with requests for Program Topics to submit them as soon as possible to G4DPZ. Invitations for any papers on specific subjects will be included in the future call. Likewise if anyone knows of a good speaker, please send contact and other information to G4DPZ.

AMSAT-UK http://www.uk.amsat.org/

[ANS thanks Dave Johnson, G4DPZ and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Successful ARISS Contact as Northland Preparatory Academy Calls ISS

On Thursday, May 24, students from Northland Preparatory Academy in Flagstaff, Arizona participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with Joe Acaba, KE5DAR on the ISS.

Approximately 550 students, staff and administrators, as well as Dr. Jeffrey Hall, director of the Lowell Observatory, and the mayor were in attendance. The contact complemented a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) curriculum. Video of the event, including Dr. Hall's presentation, has been posted on-line.

The Arizona Daily Sun ran an article on the event.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, and the ARISS Status Report for the Week of May 29, 2012 for the above information]

Multiple CubeSats Autonomously Docking May Build Large Satellites

This week AMSAT-UK, SpaceRef.com, and SSTL have announced plans to develop the 'STRaND-2' mission at the University of Surrey and Surey Satellite Technology Limited (SSTL). This mission will test a novel in-orbit docking system based upon XBOX Kinect technology that could change the way space assets are built, maintained and decommissioned.

STRaND-2 (Surrey Training, Research and Nanosatellite Demonstrator) programme, following on from the smartphone-powered STRaND-1 satellite that is near completion. Similar in design to STRaND-1, the identical twin STRaND-2 satellites will each be a 3 unit Cubesat. Components from the XBOX Kinect games controller to scan the local area and provide the satellites with spatial awareness on all three axes.

SSTL says on their web site, "The STRaND-2 twins will be separated after launch. After the initial phase of system checks, the two satellites will be commanded to perform the docking procedure and, when in close proximity, the Kinect-based docking system will provide the satellites with 3D spatial awareness to align and dock. Other applications for STRaND-2 include the safe removal of space debris and spacecraft maintenance, with a low cost "snap-on" nanosatellite providing backup power, propulsion or additional on-board computing capability."

SSTL Project Lead Shaun Kenyon says, "We were really impressed by what MIT had done flying an autonomous model helicopter that used Kinect and asked ourselves: Why has no-one used this in space? Once you can launch low cost nanosatellites that dock together, the possibilities are endless, like space building blocks."

Dr. Chris Bridges, Surrey Space Centre Project Lead says, "It may seem far-fetched, but our low cost nanosatellites could dock to build large and sophisticated modular structures such as space telescopes. Unlike today's big space missions, these could be reconfigured as mission objectives change, and upgraded in-orbit with the latest available technologies."

Referenced web sites:

http://www.uk.amsat.org/7851

http://www.spaceref.com/news/viewpr.html?pid=37215

http://tinyurl.com/Strand2-News (www.sstl.co.uk)

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK, SpaceRef.com, and SSTL for the above information]

LVB Tracker Boxes in Stock at the AMSAT Office

Martha says she now has LVB Tracker boxes in stock at the AMSAT Office. The cost is $200 plus $20 shipping.

The AMSAT Store Website is currently down due to technical issues so you can place your order via these routes:

Call Martha at the AMSAT Office (301-589-6062) 10:00 AM-6:00 PM EDTFax - 301-608-3410Mail - AMSAT, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring MD 20910

The LVB Tracker is a rotator interface designed to to be used as an interface between tracking software and the Yaesu 4500/5500 series of Az/El rotators.

Here's why you want one:

Several physical interface options including RS-232, USB and TCP/IP over 10/100 Ethernet (tested but not implemented)Uses standard EasyComm and Yaesu GS-232 protocolsCross-platform compatibility - Windows, Linux, BSD, MacCompatible with existing real-time prediction programs such as SatPC32 and NovaOpen sourceIntegrated firmware programmer for easy installation and upgrade

Watch a demo of the LVB Track Interface with Yaesu G-5500 rotator on-line. (does not use the AMSAT enclosure)

[ANS thanks Martha at the AMSAT Ofice for the above information]

13cm Band Rules Expanded to Allow MedRadio Adjacent to Satellites

The ARRL is reporting in a First Report and Order and a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ET 08-59) released on May 24, the FCC decided to expand the Part 95 Personal Radio Service rules to allow medical devices to operate on a secondary basis in the 2360-2400 MHz band. International amateur satellite operations are allocated between 2400-2450 MHz, adjacent to the new devices.

The new allocation is Medical Body Area Networks (MBAN) which provide a way for health care facilities to monitor their patients via wireless networks. Because use of these frequencies will be on a secondary basis, MBAN stations will not be allowed to cause interference to, and must accept interference from, primary services, including radio amateurs who operate on a terrestrial primary basis in the 2390-2395 MHz and 2395-2400 MHz bands.

[ANS thanks the ARRL for the above information]

Funding Availability Key to Final Acceptance in QB50 Project

The QB50 Project, funded by the European Commission, plans to orbit 50 CubeSats separated by a few hundred kilometers and carrying identical sensors to study Earth's lower layers of the thermosphere/ionosphere and study effects of satellite re-entry. All 50 CubeSats will be launched out of Murmansk, Russia, into a circular orbit with 79 degree inclination at 320 km altitude in the first half of 2015.

The project is run by an international consortium under the leadership of the von Karman Institute (VKI) near Brussels. The Call for Proposals for CubeSats carrying the standard sensor package which may also include additional experiments closed on April 30, 2012. VKI reports the response to this Call resulted in proposals for 70 CubeSats from 38 countries in the following categories:

53 standard 2U CubeSats for atmospheric science.7 proposals for In-Orbit-Demonstration (IOD) 3U CubeSats for testing new technologies or minitaurised science sensors which also include the standard science

sensors.5 proposals for IOD 3U CubeSats which do not include the standard science sensors.1 proposal for IOD 2U CubeSats which also include the standard science sensors.4 proposals for IOD 2U CubeSats which do not include the standard science sensors.2 proposals for interdisciplinary science.

VKI, with the help of external reviewers, is now in the process of evaluating the 70 proposals, aimed towards a selection of 50 CubeSats to be flown on QB50.

VKI wrote in the 31 May 2012 issue of the QB50 Newsletter, "The availability of funding for developing a CubeSat will be a critical issue in the selection process. At this stage, it is not known which proposals will actually be able to obtain the required funding. The final selection of 50 CubeSats can only be made once the availability of funding is established. CubeSat teams who submitted a proposal should now contact their national funding agencies and/or industrial sponsors to obtain the funding. The process of securing this funding should be completed by 1 October 2012 with the signing of a ☐Contractual Agreement☐ between the university and VKI."

In the coming months, VKI will support the CubeSat teams in their efforts to obtain the funding, e.g. by sending a ☐Letter of Support☐. It is not expected that all 70 CubeSat teams will be able to sign the Contractual Agreement by 1 October, therefore, the de facto down-selection from 70 to 50 CubeSats will be made based on securing the funding by each team.

In some cases, funding agencies will only be able to provide a part of the funding. Teams who only received approval for part of the funding should consider the possibility of collaboration with another team that also received only a part of the requested funding.

[ANS thanks The QB50 Project and von Karman Institute for the above information]

AMSAT at Ham-Com, 8-9 June, Plano, TX, Special Event K5P

AMSAT will have an AMSAT Booth, Satellite Demonstrations, and two Satellite Talks at Ham-Com in Plano, TX, on 8-9 June 2012. The talks will be given by Douglas Quagliana, KA2UPW/5, and Keith Pugh, W5IU.

This year there will be a Special Event activity (sponsored by the Plano Amateur Radio Klub) associated with Ham-Com and the call sign will be K5P. AMSAT's Satellite Demonstrations will be conducted using K5P as part of the Special Event. Additional details about Ham-Com are available at: http://www.hamcom.org/

If you attend Ham-Com, drop by and see us. In addition, if you can spare an hour or two, we could use the help in the AMSAT Booth and doing the Demos.

We plan to work as many of the following Satellite Passes as possible:

Ham-Com 2012 Demos

Grid EM13pb

Min El = 10 deg

Time Zone UTC

WinAos QTH: -96.7/33.1 T#: 12577 Sat.: 7 [Standard]

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08.06.2012 HO-68 15:41 15:54 13 48 029 - 176

08.06.2012 HO-68 17:29 17:40 11 28 350 - 238

08.06.2012 FO-29 18:43 18:56 13 64 020 - 184

08.06.2012 AO-27 18:44 18:51 07 22 118 - 018

08.06.2012 SO-50 20:08 20:15 07 19 008 - 100

08.06.2012 AO-27 20:23 20:32 09 35 196 - 331

08.06.2012 FO-29 20:30 20:38 08 18 332 - 248

08.06.2012 SO-50 21:48 21:56 08 43 317 - 174

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Day Object AOS (U) LOS Period maxEl AZ

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09.06.2012 HO-68 17:12 17:24 12 36 355 - 227

09.06.2012 FO-29 17:50 17:59 09 23 048 - 148

09.06.2012 AO-27 18:18 18:22 04 12 084 - 036

09.06.2012 FO-29 19:34 19:46 12 51 359 - 213

09.06.2012 AO-27 19:54 20:04 10 66 174 - 343

09.06.2012 SO-50 20:36 20:44 08 47 345 - 134

09.06.2012 AO-07 21:21 21:30 09 17 091 - 015

Come see us or talk to the AMSAT Team!

[ANS thanks Keith Pugh, W5IU for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Venus will pass in front of the sun on 6 June 2012. Bob Bruninga, WB4APR will be in Japan to observe the event. He has created a web page, "The 2012 Transit of Venus using HAM Radio" including a list of selected calling frequencies, see: http://aprs.org/VenusTransit2012.htmlThe 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Symposium will be held at the Holiday Inn, Orlando (Florida) Airport on October 26-28, 2012. The First Call for Papers has been issued. The Symposium Team requests a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings. Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv@amsat.org. Watch for the latest 2012 Symposium information to be posted on the AMSAT web.The UK Space Agency has released a YouTube video celebrating the UK's 50 years in space: http://tinyurl.com/UK-50-In-Space (Southgate)Eric Knaps, ON4HF built an arrow antenna for working the FM satellites. Photos are posted on-line.ESA astronaut Andre Kuipers published a photo gallery during the arrival and docking at the ISS of the SpaceX Dragon resupply ship.A 50 minute interview with Neil Armstrong made this year is now available. The video is split into 4 parts which can be seen on-line. (Trevor, M5AKA)The May 20 annular eclipse was photographed by NASA□s Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter as it turned its camera to look back home. Images of the Earth with the Moon□s fuzzy shadow are posted on-line. For eclipse photos from Earth's point of view are posted here.There are two new Hamvention 2012 music videos on YouTube produced by Joe Eisenberg, K0NEB. One is called Hamvention 2012 "Band On The Run" and the other is titled Hamvention 2012 "Gimme Dat Ding." To find them just put the word joehusker into the search YouTube search line.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that please keep in mind the tidal forces of the Moon (and the Sun) don't only act on the oceans, they act on the land as well. If you stand on the equator, the land beneath you will go up and down by as much as 21 inches (55 centimeters) over the course of a day.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

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918. [DXNL] DXNL 1783 (Jun 6, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 20:10:26 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <256331046.20120606220636@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2885
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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5H, TANZANIA
Chas,NK8O/VE3ISD, is visiting to Mwanza on Lake Victoria for several years now but this time he plans his first amateur radio operation in CW signing 5H9CP with a KX3 (QRP) from Jun 11-22. The antenna design will depend on the local trees. Scheduled times and frequencies will be released on QRZ.com. The hobby comes only after his obligations at the "Nyakato Health Center", of course. QSL via NK8O.

A5, BHUTAN
JA1JQY (A52JY), JK1EBA (A52BA), JA3MCA (A52MA), JA1KJW (A52KJ), and JA8VE (A52VE) will be QRV in SSB/CW/RTTY on 160m-6m from a hotel at 3000m altitude in the capital Thimpu from Jun 6-14. A beacon will be set up to run continuously on 50.125 MHz. QSLs via homecalls.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Here is a small contribution from Ulli,DL9WVM, for the DXNL:
I am going to visit my children again and will stay in Dubai from Jun 10-30. So far I have made nearly 25.000 QSOs from this location and will try to be QRV again on 80-10m as much as possible. Inquiries about 6m are useless since operating on 6m is not allowed in the UAE. I also try to activate WFF A6FF-004 (Mushrif National Park [and buffer zone]) once which is virtually "across the road" in Mirdif. The are is comple-tely fenced and used for a recreation and amusement park. There is plenty space for parking and I will try to become QRV as A6/DL9WVM/m from there. However, this depends on whether I can find a hidden spot of shade (do not attract too much attention!). Despite air conditioning it is impossible to endure an hour in the car, at temperatures between 40 and 50 degrees Celsius in the shade :-)
If Abdullah,A61Q, is available (and willing), then we would investigate whether it is possible to activate Dibbah rock in the Gulf of Oman in some way. Based on his first recordings this 'island' seems to be difficult to access and would then be the only remaining place that

counts for AS-124. After the construction of the new breakwater in the harbor lying opposite to it, the distance to Shark Island is less than 300m. If we can not report positive results concerning Dibbah rock to Roger Ballister there is a risk that AS-124 could be removed from the IOTA list.
If you like to arrange a sked with me please contact me on Skype. I am available in Dubai both via VoIP and chatting. Simply send a contact request which I can answer. If anyone plans to obtain a license for the United Arab Emirates you can contact me as well and I will be happy to support the person. Licenses are NOT a problem to obtain in principle. The Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) was put in charge by the TRA (the local licensing authority) to issue the licenses, which in general is no problem.

CO, CUBA, NA-015
The "Radio Club Las Tunas" wil join the ARRL June VHF QSO Party in the "limited multi operator" class signing T48K (Loc FL10mw) on Jun 9-11. On 6m they will use a 5-ele-antenna by Tonna with 100 watts and on 2m they will run 50 watts into a homebrew 9-ele-quad. They hope for a first contact between Las Tunas and USA. QSL via DK1WI.
See also: http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party

CT, PORTUGAL
Members of the "Amateur Radio Association of the District of Leiria" (ARAL) plan to hit the airwaves as CS5FAT on all bands from the Cova da Iria at the shrine of Fatima from Jun 10-13. Until October all amateurs are invited to become active from the shrine of Fatima each month from the 10th to 13th or by special appointment. QSL via CT6ARL.
See also: http://cs5fat.blogspot.pt

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (QRT)
a wounded animal of a protected migratory bird species has been found at the antenna system of CY0/VE1AWW within the nature reserve. This is the preliminary end of CY0/VE1AWW.

EA, SPAIN
ED3CW (QSL via EB3CW), ED5ATK (QSL via EA5ATK), ED5DM (QSL via EA5DM), ED5DWS (QSL via EA5DWS), ED5DY (QSL via EA5DY), ED5FL (QSL via EA5FL), ED5HAB (QSL via EA5HAB), ED5JC (QSL via EC5JC), ED5KB (QSL via EA5KB), ED6QY (QSL via EA6QY) and ED8DD (QSL via EA8DD) want to enjoy pile-ups from Jun 5-24 on the occasion of the F1 Grand Prix at Valencia. They have issued also a special award program. See: http://www.f1award.com

F, FRANCE
From Jun 3-17 the "Association des Radio Amateurs de la Sarthe" is using the special call TM24H for the 60th time on the occasion of the 24-hours race at Le Mans. QSL via F6KFI.

FS, ST MARTIN, NA-105
John,FS/K9EL, plans to work in holiday style from St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383, Grid Loc FK88) from June 8-24. He uses an IC7000, a vertical for 80m-10m, a 3-ele-yagi for 6m and in CW, SSB and

RTTY. He has also a power amp available for 6m. Skeds are possible via
e-mail to john@k9el.com. QSL via homecall, LoTW or club log.
See: http://www.k9el.com and http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/FS/K9EL

HC, ECUADOR
Rick,NE8Z, will show up on the bands as HC1MD from Tumbaco in CW, SSB
and RTTY on 40m-10m (possibly 6m) from Jun 7-14. QSL via K8LJG.

I, ITALY
ARAS Italia (IQ9DM) is celebrating the 40th anniversary of the maiden
flight of the long-distance reconnaissance aircraft Breguet Atlantic
BR 1150 by using the special callsign II9AS from Jun 6-9. They will be
QRV from the base of Sigonella in Catania on Jun 9, together with ARI.
Operation will take place with several stations in all modes on 40-10m.
QSL via IT9JPW, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.assoradiomarinai.it

IS0, SARDINIA, EU-024
Patrick,IM0/ON7ARQ, will be QRV from Sardinia on Jun 12-26. He will
join the All Asian DX Contest from Isola di San Pietro in the southwest
of Sardinia.

KL7, ALASKA, NA-039
Jeff,KL2HD, is staying on Adak Island (NA-039) until June 8. He is a
biologist and spends most of his time on the research vessel MS Tiglax.
You can work him in SSB on 20m and 17m between 0400-0800 UTC.
QSL preferably via LoTW, but via bureau is ok as well.

ON, BELGIUM
Robert,ON4LRG, Janny,ON5PO, Paul,ON6DP, Didier,ON6YH, Pierre,ON7PC, and
Jean,ON7ZM, will show up on HF signing OP0P/p or homecalls/p from the
St Fontaine castle (WCA ON-00496, BCA LG-095) on Jun 10, 0600-1000 UTC.
QSLs for OP0P via ON6DP, LoTW and eQSL.

On the occasion of Gerhard Mercator's 500th birthday the special event
station ON500MERCATOR will be put on the air. With his large world map
from 1569 (Nova et orbis terrae aucta descriptio ad usum navigantium)
Mercator acquired world fame. The eponymous projection was developed
by him and is important for the maritime and aviation because of its
conformal projection. QSL via ON7KO. See also: http://www.snw.uba.be

SM, SWEDEN
Each year from May 15 to June 15, Ove,SM0PSO, celebrates his new life
with a donor heart by using the special callsign SF0530COH.
QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.sm0pso.com

SV, GREECE
Mike,SV1RK, and Stavros,SV3CJU, will be QRV as J48SAI from the island
of Sapienza (EU-158, LH GRE116, WLOTA 1471, Loc KM06us) working in CW,
SSB and RTTY on HF and 6m from Jun 8-10. QSL via SV1RK, LoTW.

UA, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
Members of the clubstation RK3VWA are active as R1150V until Aug 31

to celebrate the 1150th anniversary of Russian statehood.
See also: http://www.r3v.ru

The special event station R200V is activated from various historical
sites in the Smolensk and Moscow regions between June and September
to remember the 200th anniversary of the French invasion.
QSL via RK3LO, LoTW and eQSL.

The special event station R200BS remembers 200th anniversary of the
Battle of Borodino until July 31. QSL via RK3CQ.

The Russian section of the "European PSK Club" is using the special
callsigns R73EPC and R55EPC on all bands in B(Q)PSK31 on all bands
from Jun 1-30. QSLs for R73EPC via RK3DSW, for R55EPC via R9CBA.
See also: http://www.epc-ru.ru

VE, CANADA
CJ3 and CK3 prefixes are allowed from Jun 12-26 on the occasion of
the 100th anniversary of the city of Kitchener in Ontario.
QSL routes will be announced in the QSOs.

VK, AUSTRALIA
Organized amateur radio service was introduced in Queensland 100 years
ago under the auspices of the "Wireless Institute of Australia". Radio
amateurs celebrate this with the special callsign VK100WIQ between
June 1 and July 31. A special award program was established, too.
QSL via bureau. See also: http://www.wia.org.au

VP2M, MONTSERRAT, NA-103
John,KB4CRT (SMIRK 3932), announced to become active as VP2MRT from
Gingerbread Hill in St. Peters Parish (NA-103, WLOTA 1475, Loc FK86VS)
working in SSB, some CW and maybe also PSK on 80m-2m from Jun 6-12. He
plans to join the upcoming "ARRL June VHF QSO Party" (Jun 9-11), too.
John will listen particularly for AS and OC.
Unfortunately QSLs only direct via KB4CRT, LoTW.

Graham,M0AEP, goes to Montserrat (NA-103) as well and will sign VP2MDD
in SSB and CW with a focus on 12m/10m/6m between June 7 and August 6.
QSL via homecall.

W, UNITED STATES
Andy,N8OFS (SMIRK 6737), will take part in the ARRL June VHF QSO Party
working portable (WW Loc EN91) in FM on 52.525 MHz.
QSLs unfortunately only direct or via eQSL.

Mike,W2GR, will use the special callsign N2W in CW, SSB and RTTY on
40m-10m from Jun 10-24. The occasion is the first attempt to cross the
Niagara Falls on a rope by Nik Wallenda on June 15. QSL via W2GR.

ZD7, ST HELENA, AF-022
Bruce,ZD7VC, is usually working on 20m/17m/15m/6m from 1700-2200 UTC.
QSLs unfortunately only direct.

VP9PN log: The log of the VK9PN DXpedition is online now.

SILENT KEYS: Joel Oulie,F6FHP, has died. The EME community and all radio
friends will miss him sorely. Steve Mendelsohn,W2ML, who was elected
into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame only recently, died on May 23
from cancer. Bill Wells,VK4UA, passed away on May 30 at the age of 89.
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost them, but grateful that we could
get to know them as a radio friend. We will always keep them in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jun 9/10 DRCG Long Distance Contest
Jun 9/10 Portugal Day Contest
Jun 9 Asia Pacific Sprint Contest
Jun 9/10 WW South America Contest

The ARI Roma organizes the second 70 MHz and Crossband Contest on June 10
from 0700-1700 UTC. See also: http://www.ariroma.it/70.html

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-004, 5B/ZC4, Cyprus: Carolyn,5B/KC9URR, and Padraig,5B/KC9UUS, are doing
their first DXpedition to Cyprus from Jun 2-17. They will work holiday
style only in SSB using a FT-857 and Buddipole. KC9UUS is only 15 years
old. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct). QSL cards will be sent after
their return home.

AS-017, JA6, Okinawa Islands: The special event station 8N6JAPAN is working
on HF from Okinawa until Jul 31 and celebrates the 40th anniversary of
the return of Okinawa to Japan. QSL via bureau.

EU-014, TK, Corsica Island: Alessandro,TK/IW5ELA, is spending his holidays
in Calvi/Corsica (Loc JN42jn) from Jun 6-9. QSL via homecall.

EU-020, SM1, Gotland County group: Tetsu,SM1/JH8SGR, will be active from
Gotland (WLOTA 2969) running 500 watts and wire beams on the HF bands
from Jun 11-13. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-054, I*9, Egadi Islands: Franco,IK4YCQ, spends his holidays on the island
of Favignana (IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA 1545) until Jun 8. Listen
for IF9/IK4YCQ working holiday style in SSB on HF. QSL via homecall.

EU-065, F, Bretagne (Finistere North West) Region group: Keith,F/G3TTC/p, is
working in SSB on 40m and above from Quessant (DIFM AT001, WLOTA 0208)
on Jun 6. QSL via G3TTC (bureau/direct).

EU-068, F, Bretagne (Finistere South West) Region group: The next stop of
Keith,G3TTC, will be Sein Island (DIFM AT007, WLOTA 2721) on Jun 9.
QSL via G3TTC (bureau/direct).

EU-094, F, Bretagne (Finistere South) Region group: The third destination
of Keith,G3TTC, will be Glenan Island. He will hand out IOTA points
in SSB on Jun 12. QSL via G3TTC (bureau/direct).

OC-128, DU1, Palawan Island: Dandy,K6ZRH (aka DU1IMA), is planning to visit
Palawan Island (WLOTA 1612) and wants to become active as K6ZRH/DU1 in
SSB on 40m, 20m and 15m from Jun 10-30. QSL only direct via K6ZRH.

NON-IOTA: Erik,ON7EX, Dries,ON6VOX, Hakim,ON7HLU, and Francois,ON4LO, will
be QRV as ON4LO/LH from the fireship "Mayflower" (ARLHS BEL048) in SSB
on 80m-10m from Jun 8-12. QSL via ON4LO (bureau/direct).

William,KD8PZO, will be QRV from Burton Island (USi VT020L) working
holiday style in SSB on 10m-20m from Jun 8-10. QSL via homecall.

Paracuru Lighthouse: Moreira,PT7ZT, and members of the GPDX-CE will show up
as PT7ZT/p from Paracuru Lighthouse (ARLHS BRA-276, DFB CE-09, DFCE
CE-09, Loc HI06lo) from Jun 8-10. QSL via PT7ZT (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities

FS/K9EL LH 0383 Jun 8-24
GX4BJC/A LH 1841 Jun 11-30
MX1SWL/A LH 1841 Jun 11-30
T48K LH 0032 Jun 9-11
VP2MRT LH 1475 Jun 6-12

WFF activities

KFF: W3WFF will activate a new KFF from the nature park Powdermill (KFF-623)
on Jun 9. Activities are planned in CW and SSB on 40m-10m (WFF QRGs)
using 100 watts and wire antennas. The logs wil be uploaded to the LoTW
and WFF LogSearch. QSL via N3GJ (bureau/direct).

DLFF: Daniel,DM3DA/p, will be QRV from the national park Eifel (DLFF-003)
from Jun 7-9. QSL via DM3DA (bureau/direct).

RFF: The team of R44WFF will activate several RFF areas from Jun 5-12 like
Buzulusky national park (RFF-171) and the Orenburgsky reserve (RFF-067)
Special QSLs will be sent via bureau. QSL via RA3AKF.

EUFF: The EUFF Green Party 2012 will take place on Jun 9, 0600-1759 UTC.
This day is thought to encourage amateurs to leave their home QTH and
do some portable activities in nature. QSOs with stations in WFF areas
are supported especially. See also: http://www.wff44.org/committees/day
and http://wff-yo.blogspot.com

Preview

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03Jun-12Jun TX5VT 1782

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-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
Jun VC3E 1782
-24Jun VC3O 1782
01Jun-31Jul VK100WIQ 1783 *
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782
06Jun-12Jun VP2MRT 1783 *
30Jun-09Jul VP2MSR 1782
31May-07Jun VP5/KX4WW.. 1782
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
09Jun W3WFF 1783 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
05May-10Jun ZQ3M.. 1778
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

4O7TC via UA3TCJ (B), (L)
5B/KC9URR via KC9URR (B)
5B/KC9UUS via KC9UUS (B)
5H9CP via NK8O
8S0HRA via SK0QO (B)
9M6/OZ4Z via OZ4Z
A52BA via JK1EBA (B)
A52JY via JA1JQY (B)
A52KJ via JA1KJW (B)
A52MA via JA3MCA (B)
A52VE via JA8VE (B)
A5A via JH1AJT
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM
CR2AA via CU3AA (B)
CS5FAT via CT6ARL (B)
CS7/PD0HNL via NL13565 (B)
CT9/DJ4UF via DJ4UF (B), eQSL
DA0COTA via DF2DD (B)
DL250COAL via (B)
DM3DA/p via DM3DA (B)
EA/OK5MAD/p via OK5MAD (B)
EA6/F6ECS via F6ECS (d)
ED3CW via EB3CW
ED5ATK via EA5ATK
ED5DM via EA5DM
ED5DWS via EA5DWS (B)
ED5DY via EA5DY
ED5FL via EA5FL (B)
ED5HAB via EA5HAB
ED5JC via EC5JC
ED5KB via EA5KB (B)
ED6QY via EA6QY
ED7IVN via EA7IVN (B)
ED8DD via EA8DD
EG5SUB via EA5HEW (B)
EG7FAS via EA4FAS (B)
EG7IUK via EA7IUK (B)
EG0FAS via EB1BSV (B)
EH7DFA via EA7DA
EH8DDC via EA8RKL
EM2012I via US3IZ
EO2012UEFA via UR7UC
EW1150P via EW6DX (B)
F/G3TTC/p via G3TTC (B)
F/ON6JUN/p via ON5SD
F4BKV/p via F4BKV (B)

FS/K9EL via K9EL (B), (L), Club Log
GB0GMO via (B), M0CVO (d)
GB50RSARS via G0SWY (B)
GB1ER via (B), G4IMP (d)
GB1HA via (B), G4IMP (d)
HB9/IW2NRI via IW2NRI (B)
HC1MD via K8LJG (B)
HG56OD via HA3OD (B)
HR1LW via JA1LW (B)
IF9/IK4YCQ via IK4YCQ (bureau/direct)
II2IBCI via IQ2MI (B)
II2IGTO via IQ2MI (B)
II2POPE via IW2HAJ (B), (L), eQSL
II9AS via IT9JPW (d)
IM0/ON7ARQ via ON7ARQ
IT9/DL7ULM via DL7ULM (B)
IU4T via IK4MTF (B)
J48SAI via SV1RK (B), (L)
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d)
K1A via KK1KW (B), (L), eQSL
K6ZRH/DU1 via K6ZRH (d)
KL2HD (L), (B)
LG5LG via LA4EKA (B)
LX8RTTY via LX1DA (d)
M/HA0ANA via HA0ANA (B)
M3I via G0ORH (B)
MJ/EI9FBB via EI9FBB
MQ0UTD via M0UTD (LoTW only)
MX0IRN via G4IRN (B)
N2W via W2GR (B)
N8OFS/p via N8OFS (d), eQSL.
OK/DL5YL via DL5YL (B)
ON4LO/LH via ON4LO (B)
ON500MERCATOR via ON7KO
OP0P/p via ON6DP (B), (L), eQSL.
OZ/DL5CX via DL5CX (B)
P3F via 5B4AHJ (B), (L)
PJ4/LY9Y via LY9Y (B), (L), eQSL
PT7ZT/p via PT7ZT (B)
R1150V via RK3VWA
R200BP via RV3AGB
R200BS via RK3CQ
R200V via RK3LO (B), (L), eQSL
R44GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R44WFF via RA3AKF (B)
R55EPC via R9CBA
R66GGGR via UA6MM
R73EPC via RK3DSW
SF0530COH via SM0PSO
SM1/JH8SGR via JH8SGR (B)

SN2012ATE via SP9ATE
SN2012RKK via SP2RKK (B)
SO9Q via SP9QMP (B)
SV3/SQ8CMB via SV bureau (only)
SV5/OK2BC via OK2BC
T48K via DK1WI (B)
TK/IW5ELA via IW5ELA (B)
TM24H via F6KFI (B)
TM82L via F5MSS
UE40MD via UA4LU (B)
UP0L via DL8KAC (d)
UV5U via UX1UA (B)
VK100WIQ (B)
VP2MRT via KB4CRT (d), (L)
VP9BO via W4ZGR (B)
W3WFF via N3GJ (B)
WX4NHC via WD4R
XV1X via OK1DOT (d)
YL/ES2TT via ES2TT (B)
YL2012USCARS via ES2TT (B)
YU/LA6FJA via KM3X (d)
ZD7VC (d)
ZL2LI via ZL2BRS
ZP7/JE1LGY via JE1LGY
ZQ2FX via G3RFX (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: A35YZ (DL7UFR), AT2DW (VU2SWS), E51EWP & E51M (DJ8NK),
FW0NAR (HA0NAR), NH7O (EA5GL), PJ7PT (SP9PT)

QSLs arrived bureau: 3B8MM (DL6UAA), 5R8AL (SM1ALH), 5V7PRF (I1FQH),
6W/DL2AWG, 7X2ARA, 7Z7AA (7Z1CQ), 8R1PY (PY2WAS),
9K2F (9K2HN), 9M6XRO (M0URX), 9V1SV, 9W2ESM,
BV0EXPO (BM2JCC), BM100 (BM2JCC), BV100 (BV2KI),
C56JC (ON4LAC), C21UF (LA5UF), CE0/LA5UF, FJ/OH2YL,
HH2/OE7NHT, HS0ZDY (SM3CVM), J28AA (E77E), PJ2/K2TQC,
TN2T (M0URX), OJ0VM (OH6VM), R1ANR/A (RK1PWA),
RA3ZZ/ANT, TM5SM (F5RJM), TT8ZZ (F5PTM), ZD8W (W6NV)
VK9CX (DL7AFS), XU7XRO (M0URX), Z21DXI (SP5UAF)

Emergency communications in Italy

As a result of further tremors on the afternoon of May 29 emergency communi-
cation has been intensified by the radio amateurs. Due to a request of the
Italian civil defence authority the National emergency radio and volunteer
group (RNRE) sent a mobile unit of five radio amateurs to the crisis region

in northern Italy and prepared two other units which are ready for immediate use. The HF frequency 7060 kHz is used by IQ1HQ, the RNRE headquarters, and IQ0TK, the civil defence authority in Rome. VHF links are currently running on 145.200 MHz. The main earthquake occurred on May 20 at 0200 UTC in the region of Emilia Romagna in northern Italy.

DXer arrested on espionage

Baldur,DJ6SI, was arrested on Kos Island (SV8) and is suspected of spying because of his radio operation. See also:
http://www.sotawatch.org/reflector.php?topic=6910#57398
http://sv2dcd.blogspot.de/2012/05/what-shame-for-greek-authorities.html
http://sv8cs.blogspot.co.uk/2012/05/sv5dj6si-arrested-as-spy-incredible.html
http://sv5byr.blogspot.co.uk/2012/05/that-can-happened-only-at-greece.html
http://dx-world.net/2012/sv5-dj6si-arrested-on-espionage
http://yo4px.blogspot.com

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

919. eHam.net News for Wednesday 6 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-06 22:28:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235485a0d79504c1d54a26@google.com>
Source record: 2886
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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New Providence Kids Make Radio Contacts Around the World:

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28432

Ham Radio on-the-air operating event for kids, is to be held on Saturday June 16, at Centennial Park, New Providence. NPARC, the Amateur Radio Club serving the Watchung Hills Area, will set up two operating ham radio stations in the Gazebo, at Springfield Avenue and Academy Street, on Saturday, June 16. Kids from New Providence and surrounding areas, are invited to make direct radio contacts with other kids from all over the world. On previous Kids Days there were many contacts to the eastern United States and as far west as Oklahoma, Colorado and California. This year, Ham Radio expects to make many exciting overseas contacts during the afternoon.

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Cleveland's Amateur Radio Club Celebrates 50th Year:

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28431

The Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The first constitution of the club is dated June 22, 1952. The club will celebrate its history with different events throughout the year. According to information complied from club minutes by CARC past president Bob Gault, the club's inception occurred about three months earlier on March 28, 1962, when a group of aspiring hams met after the last radio operator class was given by Civil Defense at the old Bradley County Courthouse. They agreed to form a club and a temporary organization was set up and committees were named to draw up by-laws and a constitution.

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AITI And Police Crack Down On Illegal Amateur Radio:

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28430

Bandar Seri Begawan - Members of the public who are involved in the illegal use of amateur radio equipment without a licence from the Authority for Info-communications Technology Industry of Brunei Darussalam (AITI) - the country's telecommunications industry regulator - face a maximum fine of B$10,000 or up to three years imprisonment, or both, if convicted. This was revealed by Ak Saiful Rosman bin Pg Hj Roslee, the Manager of Monitoring

and Enforcement at AITI during a briefing on the Joint Operation with the Berakas Police Station to crack down on illegal radio equipment. Present at the briefing was Chief Inspector Awg Burhan bin Abang, the Officer-in-Charge of the Berakas Police Station. The joint roadblock operation, which involved a team of 16 police personnel and seven AITI officials, took place at the Tungku Link Highway yesterday. Ak Saiful Rosman said the aim of the joint operation was to "unearth offences such as owning or using radio equipment without holding a licence from AITI; owning or using radio equipment with an expired licence; and possessing radio equipment not permitted by AITI".

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ARRL Board of Directors Approves 9 cm Band Plan:

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 03:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28429

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Former 'The World Above 50 MHz' Conductor Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ (SK):

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 03:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28428

Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, of Gaithersburg, Maryland, passed away on Sunday, June 3. He was 71. Zimmerman wrote the popular QST column "The World Above 50 MHz" from 2002-2011. He also served on the ARRL Contest Advisory Committee, edited the VHF contesting column for CQ Contest magazine during its five-year lifespan and was director of the CQ VHF Contest from 2000-2002. An ARRL Life Member, Zimmerman earned VUCC on six bands: 50, 144, 222, 432, 903 and 1296 MHz, as well as DXCC, Worked All States and Worked All Continents on 6 meters. He was an early proponent of -- and participant in -- aggressive contest log checking.

920. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 6 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-07 02:37:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfce9897604c1d8c474@google.com>
Source record: 2887
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Norwalk Amateur Radio Club prepares for Field Day - The Hour

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 09:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGSVClC1tqX0JqimjW9L-pi_MjdEA&url=http://www.thehour.com/community/norwalk-amateur-radio-club-prepares-for-field-day/article_c407b3e8-87dc-5f5f-9ec9-5a00ca28cec8.html

Norwalk Amateur Radio Club prepares for Field Day
The Hour
NORWALK -- Would you like to learn about amateur radio and even go on the air as a guest announcer? The Greater Norwalk Amateur Radio Club will be holding its Amateur Radio Field Day on Saturday, June 23, and on Sunday, June 24, at Veterans Memorial ...
Radio field days are June 23 and June 24Waynesboro Record Herald

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Norwalk Amateur Radio Club prepares for Field Day - The Hour

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 09:55 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFLhBuSgjLdWg4746QOJpgOG-EHXw&url=http://www.thehour.com/community/norwalk-amateur-radio-club-prepares-for-field-day/image_f7229a72-4635-5b5a-b83c-59cb870a6ad3.html

Norwalk Amateur Radio Club prepares for Field Day
The Hour
2 Dont Threaten or Abuse. Threats of harming another person will not be tolerated. AND PLEASE TURN OFF CAPS LOCK. 3 Be Truthful. Dont knowingly lie about anyone or anything. 4 Be Nice. No racism, sexism or any sort of -ism that is degrading to ...

and more

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Cleveland's Amateur Radio Club celebrates 50th year - Cleveland Daily Banner

Posted: 03 Jun 2012 03:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG7SiVPyybiHk9wwQLTWopFVtpulQ&url=http://www.clevelandbanner.com/view/full_story/18839846/article-Cleveland%25E2%2580%2599s-Amateur-Radio--Club-celebrates-50th-year?instance%3Dlatest_articles

Clevelands Amateur Radio Club celebrates 50th year
Cleveland Daily Banner

“I got interested through Bill Stewart who was building radio transmitters for amateur radio.” Ledford became interested in amateur radio while he was still in high school after seeing another hams equipment and “I just wanted to get in on it,” he ...

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Public Demo of Emergency Communications June 23-24 - Cape May County Herald (press release)

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 05:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEBBclnT1M3fBJGLIIlAkHltQVinQ&url=http://www.capemaycountyherald.com/article/community/court%2Bhouse/83723-public%2Bdemo%2Bemergency%2Bcommunications%2Bjune%2B2324

Public Demo of Emergency Communications June 23-24
Cape May County Herald (press release)
Your towns “hams” will join with thousands of other Amateur Radio operators showing their emergency capabilities this weekend. Over the past year, the news has been full of reports of ham radio operators providing critical Communications during ...
Field Day to promote emergency response of amateur radio operatorsLincoln County Journal
FR Sussey Civil Air Patrol Composite Squadron to host ARRL Field DaysOswego Daily News

all 5 news articles

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ARISS ham radio contact with Kawatinagano Higashi Junior High School ... - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Jun 2012 10:47 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGItl_dmfFSGHzAZDn7PkFYWY663w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/ariss_event_0606.htm

ARISS ham radio contact with Kawatinagano Higashi Junior High School ...
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Kawatinagano Higashi Junior High School, Kawatinagano, Japan on 06 June. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately 11:18 UTC.

921. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-07 06:05:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1339049101@panix.com>
Source record: 2888
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

922. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-07 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1339049400@panix.com>
Source record: 2889
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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923. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-07 07:00:21 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201206070621.q576LrW3012233@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2890
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/ WEEK 23 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-06-07
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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A Humanitarian Aid Mission: J52EME QRV on EME from Guinea Bissau.

In autumn 2011 the first announcement was communicated by Lucio I3LDP, on
behalf of the Verona DX Team: They were planning for a 144 EME activity from J5
Guinea Bissau, scheduled for March/April 2012. And so it came: In the early
morning of 23 March 2012 the team and equipment departed from Bologna airport
and travelled via Lisbon to Bissau.
The DXpedition location was the Cumura Mission, where a Franciscan Friar, who is
an OM and member of A.R.I. Verona, offered his assistance. Father Gianfranco
Gottardi has worked for nearly 20 years in several missions in Guinea Bissau where
his presence was requested by the Bishop of Bissau. He was active on HF from these
missions with the call signs J54OFM, J52OFM and J59OFM. The OFM suffix standing
for Order Friars Minor, which refers to St. Francis.
The DXpedition teamï¿½s goal was also to help Father Gianfranco with their work: All
the money received with QSL cards is already or will be donated to the mission.
During the stay also some work was planned, such as the creation of a LAN in the
Hospital of Cumura and the connection to the Leper Hospital. Also fixing and
improving the mains power system which then worked only for a few hours a day
for the hospital was on the to-do list. Work at the generators was also planned so
that for the periods of power outage the 24V batteries would be charged and ready
for emergency services, such as incubators and medical equipment.

Lucio I3LDP sent a detailed report: ï¿½Immediately after arrival to the Cumura Mission
in Guinea Bissau, we started assembling the two 8 el. yagis, cross polarized. This was
a tough job as we had to work in a dreadful heat of 40ï¿½ C! After finishing the
assembly of the structure, we added adapters, cables and an aiming system taken
from an old telescope. The relay H/V DowKey 402A was placed before the excellent

preamp donated by Pete WA2ODO (gain 23.9 dB and noise figure 0.14 dB). Cables were Ecoflex 10 for the connections to the antennas and 18 m of Ecoflex 15 for connecting the PA type Colibri lent to us by Nico of ITB, exceptional for low size and weight, only 7 kg with 1000 W out. RTX type IC-7000 and home-made sequencer completed the setup.
We placed the antenna system on top of a container, near the place where we had installed the HF equipment. When the Moon rose we were ready to go, but we immediately realized that the place was wrong; big noise and even worse: increasing SWR when the antenna was elevated. So we dismantled everything, placed antenna and support on a tractor and went to a field near the house of volunteers of Cumura Mission. Characteristics of that location were: open field with some papaya trees, big mango trees on the north side and a big mango tree in direction 270ï¿½. To the East the situation was even worse: a house and very high trees made us see the moon only at elevations greater than 15/20ï¿½. We had no decent cover.

This was not quite a classic DXpedition working field-day style. We had a pool, air conditioning, and an ï¿½a la carteï¿½ restaurant: Our accommodation was named the "Sheraton Hotel", that instead of having 4 **** had 4ï¿½mangoes: some rooms were derived from an old structure that was part of the old hospital, and here we transformed the old reception into a kitchen and a dining room.

We accepted these conditions and we placed all the antennas there, for 144, 432 and 50 MHz. First equipment turn-on was on the 25th March. As we had a temporarily internet connection we could see that I3MEK was calling on 144,138 MHz. Shortly after we lost the connection, but we went on that frequency, pointed antenna to the moon and soon we decoded his CQ at -22dB with V pol. After some calls we finally got OOOs at 1913Z at -20, then RRRs and 73s. WE HAD COMPLETED OUR FIRST EME QSO! At last J52EME was alive. We toasted, then closed the station because we had once again lost electric power. Next day we recovered a 4kW generator and placed it near the border of the field, with the line fully extended. At moon-rise we has some problems first, having to wait until 20ï¿½ elevation. So unfortunately the window towards JA, ZL, VK soon closed. We made only one JA station.

During the entire DXpedition we kept having a lot of problems, particularly with electric power. Also fuel was very difficult to get, a mango fell on the head of one of us who found out this painful way how heavy and hard it was, permanently fighting red ants (see left the visitors on the note book) and also defensive actions against mosquitoes.
If you print the moon graphs of those days, you will understand the problems of moon pointing near the equator. The Moon-rise was at az. 68ï¿½, this increased till 85ï¿½, then came back till az. 15ï¿½, from which it went to az. 340ï¿½ in 6 minutes, remaining at el. 88ï¿½. The following day was different: Moon-rise at az. 78ï¿½ going to 82ï¿½, then moving quickly, in 10 minutes, to az. 170ï¿½ where it remained without change for 18 minutes, then a quick movement, in 5 minutes, to az. 230ï¿½. Stunning! At least for someone who is accustomed to see it rise in the east and set in the west, passing by south.

We copied good signals most of the time, with a reasonable pile-up, but very often we got high noise and big birdies coming from the East, direction airport. This then obliged us to change QRG and telephone to Renato I3EJ or Mario I3MEK asking to announce the frequency change on the logger. At the end of the activity we had more than 220 QSOs in the log, and had an excellent feeling having made so many EME stations like us happy.

On 430 MHz we had terrible problems with noise, although the preamp and our 18 el. LFA home-made worked fine, with the PA Colibri by Nico which regularly put out 450 W. Doppler was very high and drifting, so decoding was not easy, even when the signals were very strong. We ended up with just 6 QSOs and we sure did our best. More wasnï¿½t meant to be.
On 50 MHz we had some skeds with American stations, but we could only see the trace of Lance W7GJ, in JT65A. Unfortunately the very high trees interfered with moon-set, and we had only a 5 el. LFA. We will contact Lance to find out whether he heard all the info from us.
Luckily we had a big ES activity towards EA and CT on 50 MHz. Sometimes we had to to ask the callers to leave us space in the pile-up in order to find other countries. So we completed with CN, 7X, F, IS0, IT9, DL, 9H, SV9, I, EA6, EA9, CU2, LZ.

This is the conclusion of the first EME DXpedition for the Verona DX Team, which gave us a lot of experience and lessons learned that will be useful for the next radio and humanitarian expedition, since we intend to go on in this way: bringing, in addition to our willingness to do radio, the help necessary in many underdeveloped countries.
After our return we received regards from a Franciscan Noun, Sister Stefania, who had become used to see our antennas pointing up: ï¿½Hello, happy Easter to you. Here all is well, but every night the moon weeps because it does not see you anymore. An embrace to all of you, hoping to see you again. Peace and Good. Sister Stefaniaï¿½

Now also in Guinea Bissau and in the Cumura Hospital
hangs the pennant of ARI Verona that we are proud to
represent; and our thanks to all that helped us and sent
donations. Our work continues, and every donation we
receive from you will be sent to Father Gianfranco who
will use it for works of charity in a country where red
earth is king and permeates everything.

All donations, already arrived or future ones, will go to the Cumura Mission. I am asking everybody here, whether having made a QSO or not, to make a donation. For donating money, please go to http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/en/ Beyond helping the mission, you will give a deserved satisfaction to the team who worked also for giving you this DX.ï¿½

73, Lucio I3LDP
http://www.ari.verona.it/veronadxteam/

SOURCE: The 144 MHz EME NewsLetter by DF2ZC

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** DXCC:9A : Croatia ; square JN74; start 2012-06-07 **

IOCA chasers attention...

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croatian island Zeca(CI-146,EU-136) activity start 07.06.2012. abt 09:00 UTC till dusk
freq. 7030 CW,7070 SSB,10120 CW,14050 CW +-QRM
73...

SOURCE: tnx to Kiko 9A4WY/p direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: K: USA ; square EM31; start 2012-06-09 **

K5QE in ARRL June VHF Contest

Hello to everyone in the EME community. This year, the ARRL June VHF Contest
will be held June 9th and 10th. We want to work as many EME stations on 2M AND
432 as possible to increase our grid count. Please help us with this event by
working us on JT65b or CW. Thank you very much. I understand that the EU contests
ban EME contacts, but that is NOT the case with the ARRL contests, so your contact
is very important to us. Hence, I would really appreciate the EME stations making
the effort to work me, as your contact will certainly be a rare grid for our log.
As usual, we will be operating 2M on 144.142MHz Second sequence. We will be running
QRO with 8 x 18&#65533;s and ask that you try to work us if you see us during the contest.
Our only moonrise is 0545Z on Sunday. If we see several EME callers, we will try
to work the Eastern EU stations first before they have moonset. If you see us working
another station, PLEASE keep calling. That allows us to decode your call while we
are finishing up a QSO with another operator. WE will use "contest style" messages
and will not send 73s, just to save time. If you only operate on CW, please call
us on CW. If we hear a CW caller, we will switch to CW and work you on CW as soon
as possible. Even if you don't see us calling CQ, you can call us on 144.142MHz OR
432.042MHz. If we see you, we will respond as soon as we can. We have MAP65-IQ
running this year, so we should be able to see more callers. If we see you, we will
respond as soon as possible, so don't give up....please keep calling.
Because we are a Multi-Multi station, we will be watching the N0UK EME-1 logger,
we just can&#65533;t post to these pages. If you see us, please spot us on the N0UK EME-1
logger.
If you are not in the contest, you can post freely to the loggers. So, you can talk to us,
we just can't talk back.If you don&#65533;t see us on 144.142MHz or 432.070MHz, please
check back
later because we may just be doing a bit of Search & Pounce or waiting for the tropo
station
to finish a QSO.

Good luck to all in the contest and we hope to see you there. Thank you.

Please note my new email address....k5qe@k5qe.com. Thank you.

SOURCE: Marshall, K5QE - EM31cj
www.k5qe.com
East Texas, USA

** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC: SP : Poland ; square JO80 **

Hello everyone,

Because of the Global Astronomy Month 2012, a special call sign
SN2012GAM appear on the EME bands. We are going to work on European EME
Contest on 13cm. We are cordially invite you to take a QSO with this
special call sign, which will working form the EME Group Klodzko
(SP6OPN) station located in Poland.

73, vy
SP6JLW (Andy), SP3QFE (Armi)
and other operators of the EME Group in Klodzko (JO80jk).

SOURCE: Andrej, SP6JLW to MoonNet 2012-04-28

** DXCC: I: Italy; square JN56; start 2012-06-09 **

Steffen DD0VF qrv from JN56RM as IN3/DD0VF in June

This year some mountain hiking in South Tyrol again.
I'll be QRV in the morning and evening for MS. Reasonable
good take off from QTF 40-60 and 180-290 (G/GW shall work
with some offset to south).
Rig: only 50W, 4 or 7el (depending on space of balkony)

I could be also QRV from abt 2500m asl for a few hours
(possible calls IN3/DD0VF, IW3/DD0VF, HB9/DD0VF)

Let me know if you still need JN56.

SOURCE: tnx to Steffen direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: A5: Bhutan; square ???; start 2012-06-06 **

JA1JQY (A52JY), JK1EBA (A52BA), JA3MCA (A52MA), JA1KJW (A52KJ), and
JA8VE (A52VE) will be QRV in SSB/CW/RTTY on 160m-6m from a hotel at
3000m altitude in the capital Thimpu from Jun 6-14. A beacon will be
set up to run continuously on 50.125 MHz. QSLs via homecalls.

SOURCE: DXNL 1783 - Jun 6, 2012

** DXCC: VP2M: Monserat; square ????; start 2012-06-09 **

John,KB4CRT (SMIRK 3932), announced to become active as VP2MRT from
Gingerbread Hill in St. Peters Parish (NA-103, WLOTA 1475, Loc FK86VS)
working in SSB, some CW and maybe also PSK on 80m-2m from Jun 6-12. He
plans to join the upcoming "ARRL June VHF QSO Party" (Jun 9-11), too.
John will listen particularly for AS and OC.
Unfortunately QSLs only direct via KB4CRT, LoTW.
Graham,M0AEP, goes to Montserrat (NA-103) as well and will sign VP2MDD
in SSB and CW with a focus on 12m/10m/6m between June 7 and August 6.
QSL via homecall.

SOURCE: DXNL 1783 - Jun 6, 2012

** DXCC: W: USA; square EN91; start 2012-06-09 **

Andy,N8OFS (SMIRK 6737), will take part in the ARRL June VHF QSO Party
working portable (WW Loc EN91) in FM on 52.525 MHz.
QSLs unfortunately only direct or via eQSL.
Mike,W2GR, will use the special callsign N2W in CW, SSB and RTTY on
40m-10m from Jun 10-24. The occasion is the first attempt to cross the
Niagara Falls on a rope by Nik Wallenda on June 15. QSL via W2GR.

SOURCE: DXNL 1783 - Jun 6, 2012

** DXCC: CO: Cuba; square ????; start 2012-06-09 **

The "Radio Club Las Tunas" wil join the ARRL June VHF QSO Party in the
"limited multi operator" class signing T48K (Loc FL10mw) on Jun 9-11.
On 6m they will use a 5-ele-antenna by Tonna with 100 watts and on 2m
they will run 50 watts into a homebrew 9-ele-quad. They hope for a
first contact between Las Tunas and USA. QSL via DK1WI.
See also: http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party

SOURCE: DXNL 1783 - Jun 6, 2012

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VU: India; square ????; start 2012-05-23 **

Until July 8th, Taj, VU2DJ, Sabu, VU2ELJ, Sree, VU2OB, Prabin,
VU2POL, Peeter, VU2PJP, Murali, VU2FWW, Thomas, VU2VJT, Sunil,
VU2ATB, Ashraf, VU3MTY, Mujeeb, VU3WII and Sanal, VU3SIO, will
activate the special call sign 8T1M from 160 - 2 Meter in CW, SSB,
PSK, RTTY, FM and D-STAR. QSL via VU2MLQ.
http://www.malabarradiohams.org/

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** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
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The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

924. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 7 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-07 11:09:07 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3005122c24bc2104c1dfe92d@google.com>
Source record: 2891
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kD5BoMV7FOU/june_07.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Not even the weekend contest was up to its usual high standards. A mix of
leaders with A5A (Bhutan) the most consistent. Mid-week was very poor.
YW5YL (Isla la Playita, Venezuela) ladies team did well on Saturday

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Field Day Media Coverage

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ESDvyEXurYQ/field_day_media_coverage.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Field Day takes place June 23-24 and it's already generated plenty of
amateur radio coverage in the media

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Radio Ham's Vintage Wireless Sets

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x0K2EjFj628/radio_hams_vintage_wireless_sets.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Keith Yates G3XGW, who lives near Tewkesbury, tells of his
fascination for old valve radios on the BBC Gloucestershire site

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Radio Ham and UFO's

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LqI0BXvwmZQ/radio_ham_and_ufos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tony Topping M3UEO's interest in UFO's has been reported on the BBC and
Channel 4

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AQTfxniqAww/june_07.htm?utm_source=feed

burner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

925. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 7 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-07 16:12:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfc3836d904c1e42686@google.com>
Source record: 2892
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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C6ABB will be on the air during June VHF Contest

Posted: 06 Jun 2012 03:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349173-C6ABB-will-be-on-the-air-during-June-VHF-Contest&goto=newpost

C6ABB & C6ALC & C6APX & C6ATT will be activating Grid Square FL15 for the
June VHF Contest June 11 - 13, 2012.

We will be in Cable Beach (Nassau) using the call sign C6ABB, look for us
on 6M, 2M, 70cm, and 23cm.

926. The ARRL Letter for June 7, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-07 21:44:39 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120607184357.5DDB92DBBD7@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2893
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + FORECASTERS CALLING FOR "NEAR-NORMAL" HURRICANE SEASON

Forecasters with the National Hurricane Center are calling for a
"near-normal" Atlantic hurricane season for 2012. In its initial
outlook for the 2012 Atlantic hurricane season -- which began Friday,
June 1 and runs through November 30 -- the National Weather Service's
Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is calling for a 50 percent probability
of a near-normal season, a 25 percent probability of an above-normal
season and a 25 percent probability of a below-normal season. The 2012
hurricane season began early when Tropical Storm Alberto and Tropical
Storm Beryl both developed several days before the official start of
the season, the first time since 1908 that two tropical storms
developed early; the only other year with two storms so early in the
season was 1887.

CPC forecasters say that there is a 70 percent chance of having 9-15
named storms, of which four to eight could become hurricanes, including
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one to three major hurricanes (Category 3, 4 or 5). These ranges do not represent the total possible ranges of activity seen in past similar years. Tropical systems acquire a name upon reaching tropical storm strength with sustained winds of at least 39 miles per hour. Tropical storms become hurricanes when winds reach 74 miles per hour and become major hurricanes when winds increase to 111 miles per hour. An average season has 12 named storms, including six hurricanes with three becoming major hurricanes. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/forecasters-calling-for-near-average-hurricane-season>.

==> + CHECK YOUR MAILBOX FOR THE JULY 2012 ISSUE OF QST

This July issue of QST features an in-depth look at Solar Cycle 24. With its slow start, many feared Solar Cycle 24 might not be as active as previous cycles. But if you've been on the air in the last few months, you know that the higher bands are exploding with activity. Propagation guru Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, takes a look at the current solar cycle and lets readers know what they can likely expect in the coming years. So why not set aside a couple of hours, grab a snack and get ready to explore the July issue of QST.

When you think of dipole antennas, you probably envision a horizontal wire with a vertical wire hanging down from its middle. Jeff Brone, WB2JNA, couldn't put up a traditional dipole in his third-floor apartment, so played around with its configuration and came up with a new model. In his article "A Dipole Doesn't Have to Be Straight," he explains that even though some antenna is better than no antenna, just about any kind of antenna will work.

If you've ever wanted to try the new software-defined radios, but weren't too keen to give up your analog equipment, take note. Alex Schwarz, VE7DXW, has found a way to upgrade an older analog radio to an SDR at a low cost. In his article "SDR Upgrade for Analog HF Radios," learn how he created a software and hardware interface for different models of radios, produced a software package that can be used by developers to run on Windows-based platforms and used this software for the demodulation of USB, LSB and CW.

The ARRL EXPO at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention was a resounding success. With tons of exhibits within the EXPO -- including the DIY Stage, the Youth Lounge and DX activities -- the thousands of Hamvention goers were never bored. ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA, explores the fun that is Dayton in her article "ARRL EXPO at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention." In the upcoming digital edition of the July issue, QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, takes an in-depth look at the dozens of new products that vendors introduced this year at Hamvention. Look for the digital edition to be online in mid-June.

More than 30 years ago, the IARU offered a no-frills 20 meter CW transceiver, dipole antenna, headphones and a Morse code key to budding hams in Asia and Africa. In 2012, one of these transceivers, sent from

ARRL Headquarters, found its way back to Newington. While its journey back to the US remains a mystery, QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, tells the transceiver's story in his article "A Transceiver Comes Home."

ARRL Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM, takes a look at the Alinco DJ-G29T dual-band handheld transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says the rig "covers the 1.25 and 33 cm bands - a unique combination. With this radio, amateurs can access the 33 cm band without having to convert commercial service transceivers." QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, checked out the WaveNode WN-2d station monitoring system, saying that it "provides useful accuracy and a lot of flexibility in terms of what you can measure and how you can display it. I found it a useful tool and a good adjunct to my station."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the July QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is In, Short Takes, Technical Correspondence, How's DX and more. Look for your July issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> + SILENT KEY: FORMER "THE WORLD ABOVE 50 MHZ" CONDUCTOR GENE ZIMMERMAN, W3ZZ (SK)

Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, of Gaithersburg, Maryland, passed away on Sunday, June 3. He was 71. Zimmerman wrote the popular QST column "The World Above 50 MHz" from 2002-2011. He also served on the ARRL Contest Advisory Committee, edited the VHF contesting column for CQ Contest magazine during its five-year lifespan and was director of the CQ VHF Contest from 2000-2002. An ARRL Life Member, Zimmerman earned VUCC on six bands: 50, 144, 222, 432, 903 and 1296 MHz, as well as DXCC, Worked All States and Worked All Continents on 6 meters. He was an early proponent of -- and participant in -- aggressive contest log checking. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-the-world-above-50-mhz-conductor-gene-zimmerman-w3zz-sk>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of May -- takes a look at the new digital edition of QST, the ARRL EXPO at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention, the League's response to the FCC's request concerning impediments to Amateur Radio, draft band plans for 13 and 33 cm, the results of the ARRL Video Contest, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-46>.

==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVES 9 CM BAND PLAN

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/BandPlan9cm.jpg> The ARRL Board of Directors has unanimously voted to approve the 9 cm band plan,

as presented by the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee. Earlier this year, the committee asked <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-seeks-comments-on-proposed-9-cm-band-plan> radio amateurs for comments on a proposed 9 cm band plan, explaining that the purpose of these band plans is to share information about how the amateur bands are being used and to suggest compatible frequency ranges for various types of applications. The committee also recognized that local conditions or needs may necessitate deviations from a band plan, and that regional frequency coordinating bodies may recommend alternatives for use in their respective regions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-of-directors-approves-9-cm-band-plan>.

==> + PAPERS REQUESTED FOR ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

Amateurs are invited to submit technical papers for presentation at the 31st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC <http://www.tapr.org/dcc>), to be held September 21-23, 2012 at the Sheraton Gateway Airport Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. These papers will also be published in the Conference Proceedings (you do not need to attend the conference to have your paper included in the Proceedings). The submission deadline is July 31. Please send papers to: Maty Weinberg, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111, or you can make your submission via e-mail <maty@arrl.org>. For more information about the conference, see the DCC website <http://www.tapr.org/dcc> or call 972-671-8277.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "There's a fire starting in my heart <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ckIulg1DfQ>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers increased about 60 percent during the past week (May 31-June 6), when compared to the previous seven days (May 24-30). The increase was 48.5 points, from 81.9 to 130.4. The average daily solar flux was also up -- 18.6 points from 111.6 to 130.2. This increase in solar activity began June 1. On May 29, the daily sunspot number was 73, with four sunspot groups visible: 1486, 1488, 1490 and 1492. On May 30, the size of groups 1486, 1488 and 1492 diminished, but 1490 grew, and the sunspot number was 78. On May 31, sunspot groups 1486 and 1488 disappeared, and new groups 1493, 1494 and 1495 appeared, but the daily sunspot number was still about the same, 76. On June 1, three new groups appeared -- 1496, 1497 and 1498 -- and the daily sunspot number jumped to 151. The next day the sunspot number was 113. On June 3, sunspot group 1499 appeared and the sunspot number was 133. On June 4, three more sunspot groups arose: 1500, 1501 and 1502. Groups 1490 and 1492disappeared, and the sunspot number jumped again, this time to 155, the high for the week and the highest since May 14 when it was 156. Geomagnetic activity peaked on June 3, when the planetary A index was 19, and the high-latitude college A index was 33. The activity continues, with the planetary A index on June 4-6 at 16, 17 and 17, and the predicted planetary A index for June 7-8 at 12 and 8, followed by 5 on June 9-17. Geomagnetic activity is expected to

increase again, with a predicted planetary A index on June 18-20 at 15, 12 and 8. For June 21-25 a planetary A index of 5 is expected, followed by another peak at 15 on July 1 and again on July 15. The predicted solar flux is 140 on June 7-9, 135 on June 10-11, 130 and 125 on June 12-13, 120 on June 14-15, 115 on June 16-18, and 110 on June 19-26. The recent geomagnetic activity was caused by a coronal hole, an opening in our Sun's magnetic field, allowing solar wind to spew forth. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, June 8. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Adele's Rolling in the Deep <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rolling_in_the_deep>.

==> + MARTIN HUYETT, K0BXB, WINS MAY QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the May QST Cover Plaque award is Martin Huyett, K0BXB, for his article "An AFSK Interface for Android Smartphones." Congratulations Martin! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the June issue today.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

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Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

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- How long is your longest wire antenna?
- What is your favorite way to read digital QST?
- Do you own an RF spectrum analyzer?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the September 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- June 8 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 9 -- Portugal Day Contest; Asia-Pacific Sprint (SSB)
- June 9-10 -- DRCG Long Distance Contest (RTTY); VK Shires Contest; GACW WWSA CW DX Contest; REF DDFM 6 Meter Contest
- June 9-11 -- ARRL June VHF QSO Party

<http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf-qso-party>
- June 13 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- June 13-14 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- June 15 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 16 - ARRL Kids Day <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>; Feld Hell Sprint; SARL Youth Day Sprint; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- June 16-17 -- West Virginia QSO Party; All Asian DX Contest (CW); Ukrainian DX Classic RTTY Contest
- June 17 -- WAB 50 MHz (Phone)
- June 18 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- June 21 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 8-9 -- ARRL West Gulf Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-gulf-division-convention-ham-com-1>, Plano, Texas
- June 9 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention>, Rogers, Arkansas; ARRL Tennessee State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/tennessee-state-convention-2>, Knoxville, Tennessee
- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electronics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>, East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>, Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,

Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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927. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 7 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-08 02:12:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340bdd8cd61104c1ec89b9@google.com>
Source record: 2894
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham Radio Volunteers Relay Messages During Emergencies - KEZI TV

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHH1gpLL3i2LhwVxppxQwhML73uVQ&url=http://kezi.com/news/local/248374

KEZI TV
Ham Radio Volunteers Relay Messages During Emergencies
KEZI TV
His automated systems give rain totals and current temperatures, and its fed into his ham shack. This is where he gives his daily report. Broadcasting via amateur radio is a hobby Welfel picked up 50 years ago. With his antennas, he can reach Alaska, ...

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Ham radio 'Field Day' June 23-24 - MyWebTimes.com

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 05:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEOs9IGrxuntLRWokN-vAknY7dk1Q&url=http://mywebtimes.com/ottnews/archives/ottawa/display.php?id%3D457254

Ham radio Field Day June 23-24
MyWebTimes.com
Starved Rock Radio Club hams will join thousands of other amateur radio operators showing their emergency capabilities Saturday, June 23, and Sunday, June 24. Using only emergency power supplies, ham operators will construct emergency stations in parks ...

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Hamilton County "Hams" to train during 24 hour field drill; Public invited to ... - Indianapolis Star

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH0l_XYOBIpAMkhEPmf-Ekvr0szwA&url=http://newsfromyou.indystar.com/posts/hamilton-county-hams-to-train-during-24-hour-field-drill-public-invited-to-participate-june-23-24

Hamilton County “Hams” to train during 24 hour field drill; Public invited to ...
Indianapolis Star
NOBLESVILLE, Ind. (June 2012) – Federally licensed amateur radio operators from Noblesville and across Hamilton County will join thousands of other “hams,” during a 24-hour field exercise to test their disaster wireless

capabilities June 23-24 at ...
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Hamilton approves amended ban on driving with cell phonesKAJ18 Kalispell Montana News

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To Do List for Berks County and beyond - Reading Eagle

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 06:37 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH7qZG-PGdS71_ZrH5mVBF_QssEMg&url=http://readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id%3D391282

To Do List for Berks County and beyond
Reading Eagle
Friday: Reading Radio Club meeting, 8 pm, Berks County Agricultural Center, 1238 County Welfare Road, Bern Township. Preparation for Amateur Radio Field Day June 23-24. 610-678-8976. Today: One Million Bones workshop hosted by Nancey Seghetti, ...

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"Calling all stations" - Bridger Valley Pioneer

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 12:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFnRkLq2yvaZepiTvnId0fNKIwniw&url=http://www.bridgervalleypioneer.com/v2_news_articles.php?heading%3D0%26page%3D77%26story_id%3D2085

“Calling all stations”
Bridger Valley Pioneer
By VIRGINIA GIORGIS FORT BRIDGER – Fort Bridger State Site hosts a show-and-tell on Saturday provided by amateur ham radio operators from Green River and Rock Springs. The Sweetwater Amateur Ham Radio Club will be on hand to provide “a special events ...

928. Re: Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 7 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-08 03:22:55 UTC
From: Patty Winter <patty1@wintertime.com>
Message-ID: <4fd1700f$0$36868$742ec2ed@news.sonic.net>
Source record: 2895

It's encouraging to see how much press ham radio is getting!
Sure, most of the papers and broadcast stations running these
stories are on the small side, but that's fine. It's still good
publicity, and maybe in smaller towns readers are more apt to
know some of the hams mentioned in the stories and will approach
those people for more information.

Patty N6BIS

929. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1817 - June 8 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-08 09:00:16 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120608090005.88A1333C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2896
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1817 - June 8 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1817 with a release date of June 8, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A famed German DXer is arrested in Greece but nobody seems to know why, including Greece. Also, medical wireless network to operate adjacent to ham radio satellites on 13 centimeters; Malaysia says emergency agencies should embrace amateur radio and a primer on International lighthouse and lightship weekend. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1817 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FAMED GERMAN DX'ER DJ6SI ARRESTED IN GREECE

In what has to be one of the strangest international legal issues involving a ham radio operator, famed German DXpedition leader Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI, has been arrested in Greece. But in a strange turn of events he was permitted to return to Germany if he promised that he would come back to Greece for trial. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom trying to sort it all out:

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Let me start by saying that it is very hard to know what has really taken place because most of the news sources are foreign language ham radio blogs and other news reports that have been electronically translated into English. Also, as we go to air there comes a purported statement in German from the person in the center of the controversy, DXer Baldur Drobnika, DJ6SI. It was posted to QRZ.com by YO4PX after being translated by DK5KF. As that is the latest information, lets start there and then take a look at the rest of the story as it seemed to unfold.

The statement credited to DJ6SI reads as follows:

"June 3rd, 2012, 20:46 (UTC 2)

Dear Michael,

I wasn't charged with espionage. As a reason of my arrest it was stated that:

1. I performed radio traffic without the approval of the Greek authorities;

2. I owned transmitting equipment which enabled the reception of other frequencies;

To the accusation was later added an other point:

I hindered the visualization of the content of my notebook.

I would like to ask you to eliminate the information that I was arrested for espionage, or to replace it with my statement.

Vy 73 Baldur DJ6SI"

Now, the back story:

According to news reports, 75 year old Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI was on holiday on the Greek island of Kos. That's where he was reportedly taken into custody for the crime of espionage which was quickly reduced to operating amateur radio equipment. This, even though both Greece and Drobnika's home country of Germany are both signatories to the CEPT pan-European Amateur Radio licensing agreement.

Even so, Greek news reports appear to indicate DJ6SI was actually arrested under a 1929 Greek law covering illegal operation of radio telegraph equipment even though the CEPT agreement would likely superscede the older law.

According to Greek ham radio blogs the accusation of espionage was based on a complaint that he was "producing strange noises" with his computer. Those strange noises turned out to be CW and RTTY. This was corroborated by many who notice reports of his operation on Internet-based DX spotting clusters.

Quite quickly the espionage charge appeared to disappear and the reduced charge under the 1929 law implemented. And in a strange turn of events, DJ6SI was permitted to return to Germany but he was told that he must return to Greece to stand trial on June 7th. That hearing is likely taking place as this newscast goes to air. But as several Greek hams have pointed out, DJ6SI would have not been permitted to leave the country if there were any real case or even a suspicion that he was engaged in spying activities.

And one Greek ham radio blog took the matter a lot further. The Radio Amateur Association of Greece issued an angry statement defending DJ6SI. It claims that the responsibility for the entire matter should be placed on the to the shoulders of the officer that ignored laws and regulations, arrested DJ6SI and led him to court. They also place blame on the prosecutor who they say was quick to suggest his conviction based on a law passed in 1927, in the year 2012.

The hams also point out that radio amateurs have been complaining for years to the responsible Ministry that public services and institutions and particularly police have not been informed properly about ham

radio. The association says that it's the governments duty to inform all relevant authorities about amateur radio and its operations.

Obviously. This story is far from over.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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You can read the Aegea News report in Google English at tinyurl.com/DJ6SI-Aegea-News. An article by Greek amateurs protesting Drobnika's arrest is at www.radiofono.gr/node/3251 (SV5YR, DK5KF, YO4PX, RadioInfo.gr, QRZ.com, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: MALAYSIA SAYS EMERGENCY AGENCIES SHOULD WORK WITH HAMS

Emergency Agencies in Malaysia should work with Radio Amateurs. So says that nations Information Department director-general Ibrahim Abd Rahman.

Director-general Rahman has been quoted in the Straits Times newspaper as saying that integration between the two should be encouraged as it helped the agencies to build good rapport and teamwork spirit.

Rahman said that agencies like the Fire and Rescue Department, Civil Defense, police, the Malaysian Red Crescent Society, hospitals, the Royal Malaysian Air Force and the Department of Civil Aviation should work together with amateur radio operators. He notes that hams could be the key to communicate with people in distress and, therefore, a collaboration between government agencies and amateur radio users should be intensified.

You can read the entire story of Malaysia's new emergency response proposal to include ham radio in its emergency communications system on-line at tinyurl.com/malaysian-emcomm. (Straits Times)

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RESTRUCTURING: NEW BANDS MADE AVAILABLE IN POLAND

Some new spectrum for hams in Poland. Pawe3 Zakrzewski, SP7TEV, reports via the I-A-R-U Region One website that the Regulation of the Council of Ministers from April 3rd and published in the Journal of Laws of the Republic of Poland on May 17th has made available several new bands. These include 70.1 to 70.3 MHz on a secondary basis with a power limit of 20 watts.

Also available to radio amateurs will be 2.400 to 2.450 Gigahertz without causing interference to the other services in line with the article number 5 of the ITU Radio Regulations. Lastly is 3.400 to 3.410 Gigahertz on a secondary basis, with no more than 20 watts effective radiated power.

The changes to Poland's National Table of Allocation of the Radio Frequency Spectrum will come into effect on June 1st. (IARU R-1)

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RESTRUCTURING: BAND COVERAGE CHANGES IN DENMARK

The Danish regulator the ERST has announced the availability for of 5250 to 5450 kHz and 472 to 479 kHz and an expansion to 70 MHz to that nation's amateur radio service.

Effective this past June 1st, the pilot program at 5 MHz ceased. It was replaced by the new permanent allocation of 5250 to 5450 kHz. This spectrum can be used by that nation's A certificate holders at a power level of up to 1000 watts and B certificate holders at up to 100 watts out using all modulation types. Previously issued trial licenses are valid until their expiration date.

Additionally ERST announced an expansion of 70 MHz which will become 69.9375 to 70.0625 MHz, 70.0875 to 70.1125 MHz and 70.1625 to 70.5125 MHz. No changes were implemented to the current modes and power levels for this band.

Lastly, Denmark will also open a new amateur radio band at from 472 to 479 kHz as of January 1, 2013. (ERST)

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RESTRUCTURING: NEW LOW FREQUENCY BAND IN MONACO

The telecommunications regulator of the Principality of Monaco has allocated the band segment of 472 to 479 kHz to its amateur service. This is on a secondary status basis and limited to a maximum power of one watt effective radiated power. (GB2RS)

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RESTRUCTURING: SA AGREEMENT FOR HAM RADIO AT YOUTH DAY EVENT

The South African Radio League has signed an agreement with telecommunications regulator the Independent Communications Authority of South Africa that will allow unlicensed persons to operate an amateur radio station under the supervision of a licensed radio amateur. This without the need to register as an educational station.

The agreement comes in time for implementation for the June 16th South Africa Youth Day event. Both SARL and ICASA look at this agreement as a further incentive to set up a demonstration station, involve more young people in the youth day sprint and show the average man in the street how great amateur radio is. (SARL)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W4GR repeater serving Sumter, South Carolina.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESTRUCTURING: MED ELECTRONICS TO OPERATE ADJACENT TO HAMSATS 13 CM

Medical electronics will soon be operational adjacent to ham radio in the 13 centimeter band. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has more:

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The ARRL and AMSAT are reporting on a First Report and Order and a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking released by the FCC on May 24. In it the regulatory agency decided to expand the Part 95 Personal Radio Service rules to allow medical devices to operate on a secondary basis in the spectrum from 2360 to 2400 MHz.

The new allocation came in a Report and Order on ET docket 08-59 and is specific for Medical Body Area Networks. These provide a way for health care facilities to monitor their patients without confining them to wired hookups.

The use of these frequencies will be on a secondary basis. This means that Medical Body Area Networks stations will not be allowed to cause interference to, and must accept interference from, any primary services using the spectrum. This includes amateur radio which operate on a terrestrial primary basis in the 2390 to 2395 and 2395 to 2400 MHz bands. International amateur satellite operations are allocated between 2400 to 2450 MHz, which is adjacent to the new medical devices shared spectrum.

For the amateur Radio newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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The assignment of this new medical service to the to the shared 13 centimeter band was not much of a surprise to those who have been following the communications politics taking pace in Washington of late. (ARRL, ANS)

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RADIO PLANNING: ARRL BOD APPROVES NEW 9CM BANDPLAN

The ARRL Board of Directors has unanimously voted to approve a news 9 centimeter band plan. This, as presented to it by the League's UHF and Microwave Band Plan Committee.

In its findings, the committee recognized that local conditions or needs may necessitate deviations from a band plan. Also that regional

frequency coordinating bodies may recommend alternatives for use in their respective regions.

Several interesting notes about the new bandplan include an advisory that weak signal terrestrial legacy users should be encouraged to move to 3400.3 to 3401.0 MHz, as time and resources permit. Also that broadband segments may be used for any combination of high-speed data, amateur television and other high-bandwidth activities. Division into channels and or separation of uses within these segments may be done regionally, based on need and usage.

The new plan also notes that per I-T-U Radio Regulation 5.149 that in some regions these band segments are also used for Radio Astronomy. As such, amateur radio use of these frequencies should be first coordinated with the National Science Foundation.

Earlier this year, the committee asked radio amateurs for comments on a proposed 9 cm band plan. At that time it explained that the purpose of these band plans is to share information about how the amateur spectrum is being used and to suggest compatible frequency ranges for various types of application. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: FCC DENIES CALL IDENTIFICATION CHANGE REQUEST

The FCC has again denied a rule making petition from Glen Zook, K9STH, of Richardson, Texas. One that requested that Section 97.119(a) of the Commission's Rules be amended to include an exception to the station identification rule.

Accorsding to the FCC, Section 97.119(a) provides that an amateur station must transmit its assigned call sign on its transmitting channel at the end of each communication, and at least every 10 minutes during a communication.

In his petition Zook asserted that the requirement that a station transmit its assigned call sign at the end of each communication is routinely violated by amateur operators.

The FCC says that Zook proposed to address this by adding to Section 97.119(a) which was an exception formerly contained in the Commission's regulations pertaining to the Amateur Radio Service. Specifically, K9STH requested that the rule be amended to provide that if an amateur station transmits its call sign during its first transmission, the call sign need not be transmitted at the end of the communications if the total communication is less than three minutes. Zook referred to this as the "3-minute rule."

In denying Zook's request the FCC noted that his proposal to reinstate the "3-minute rule" was dismissed twice in the last five years. It says that his latest petition sets forth no new facts or changed circumstances warranting further consideration of the proposal. As

such, the FCC concludes that the current petition is repetitive and as such it is being dismissed. (FCC)

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FCC NEWS: SEAN LEV NAMED NEW FCC GENERAL COUNSEL

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Julius Genachowski has announced that Sean Lev, currently Deputy General Counsel and Special Advisor to the Chairman, will become FCC General Counsel. This after Austin Schlick announced his decision to step down as the agency's General Counsel, effective mid-June.

According to his bio, Lev came to the FCC from the Department of Energy, where he served as the Acting General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel for Environment and Nuclear Programs. Before joining the D-O-E in June 2009, Lev was a partner at Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd, Evans & Figel, where his practice focused on telecommunications, administrative law, and appellate and general litigation. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM RADIO AT THE 2012 MENSA ANNUAL CONVENTION

The 2012 Mensa Annual Gathering and National Convention will be held July 4th through the 8th in Reno, Nevada. During the gathering, the on-line Mensa amateur radio special interest group will be sponsoring the Special Events Station N-7-M. According to Bil Munsil, K1ATV, of Mesa, Arizona, there will be field day-type operation from the parking structure on top of the Silver Legacy resort. There also may be a 2 meter station and possibly an amateur fast scan ATV station in the lobby of the Reno Ballroom. More about the Mensa convention is on-line at www.ag.us.mensa.org. (K1ATV)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: FOX CITIES ARC TO COMMEMORATE AIRVENTURE 2012

Jon Oldenburg. AB9AH, tells Newsline that the Fox Cities Amateur Radio club will once again be hosting a special event amateur radio station at the EAA Airvenute 2012. This from July 25th to the 29th.

Station W9ZL will operate each day from 1500 to 0000 UTC from the Airventure venue in Oshkosh Wisconsin. Stations will be active on 7.250 and 14.250 MHz SSB. Also on 52.550 MHz FM.

For a commemorative please QSL with a large self addressed stamped envelope to FCARC AirVenture 2011, PO Box 2346, Appleton Wisconsin, 54912.

According to AB9AH this will be the 19th year that the Fox Cities club will be hosting this commemorative Airventure station event. (AB9AH)

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HAMVENTION 2012: OFFICIAL FIGURE SAYS OVER 24000 ATTENDED THIS YEAR

The numbers are out and they show conclusively that attendance at the Dayton Hamvention is on the rise. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has more:

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The official attendance of Hamvention 2012 reached 24,483. This good news was announced by 2012 Hamvention General Chairman Mike Kalter, W8CI, at the Dayton Amateur Radio Association meeting Friday night, June 1st.

According to Kalter, this was an increase over last year. He attributed it in part to the excellent weather during Hamvention weekend.

W8CI also noted that many vendors reported excellent sales during the three days of Hamvention. Also that many restaurants, hotels and motels also reported increased sales. This contributing to an estimated $10 million economic impact for the region.

For the first time this year, a $3 Dayton Attractions Tour Shuttle ran from Hara's main entrance Friday and Saturday. Stops included the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force, Wright Dunbar Interpretive Center, the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park and Carillon Park.

In his address to the club, Kalter said that Hamvention would not be possible without the 500 plus volunteers who manage every aspect of the event. For those not aware, the Dayton Hamvention is the largest amateur radio gathering in the world and one of the largest events of its type operated entirely by volunteers.

Planning is already beginning for the 62nd Hamvention which will be held at Hara Arena May 17, 18 and 19, 2013. We plan to be there and hope that you will be too.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks AE5DW, in southern Mississippi.

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And one side note. Not to be forgotten was a high altitude balloon launch that was again part of Hamvention activities. The two-hour flight reached an altitude over 87,000 feet and landed in a pasture approximately eight miles southwest of the Hara Arena launch point. Ironically, the pasture was owned by a ham, Donald Fourman, AB8OS. (DARA)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being

relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: VHF/UHF EXPERT EUGENE ZIMMERMANN, W3ZZ - SK

We seem to say it more and more of late, but the changing of the guard in amateur radio continues with word of the passing of VHF and UHF expert Eugene Zimmerman, W3ZZ.

Zimmermann, of Gaithersburg, Maryland, passed away on Sunday, June 3rd, was likely best known in ham radio circles as the author of the popular QST column "The World Above 50 MHz" that he wrote from 2002 to 2011. He also served on the ARRL Contest Advisory Committee, edited the VHF contesting column for CQ Contest magazine during its five-year lifespan and was director of the CQ VHF Contest from 2000 through 2002.

First licensed in 1956, Zimmerman earned the coveted VUCC award on 50, 144, 222, 432, 903 and 1296 MHz, as well as DXCC, Worked All States and Worked All Continents on 6 meters. He also logged several national Top-10 finishes in the ARRL November Sweepstakes as well as a second-place North American finish in the CQ World Wide CW Contest operating from VP2MDD. W3ZZ also placed in the Top 10 several times in the ARRL VHF QSO Parties and in the ARRL VHF Sweepstakes.

Zimmerman was an ARRL Life member. He earned a PhD in Microbiology from the University of Maryland in 1968. He began his professional career at the National Institutes of Health where he spent a year as a technician studying respiratory viruses. This experience sparked an interest in virology and conquering the common cold. After this, he conducted early research at National Institutes of Health, studying the relationship between retroviruses and cancer, the use of the simian model for studying leukemia and the use of interferon as an immune system modulator.

In 1976, he joined the National Institutes of Health Grants Associate Program, which groomed promising scientists for careers in managing N-I-H research programs. Zimmerman was then recruited to be the Scientific Review Administrator of the Allergy and Immunology Study Section of the Immunological Sciences Integrated Review Group, where he evaluated research proposals to provide funds for research in immunology.

Eugene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, was a member of the Delmarva VHF and Microwave Society, the Grid Pirates Contest Group, a Past President of the Potomac Valley Radio Club and an honorary member of the Connecticut Wireless Association.

As we go to air memorial services had not yet been announced. At the time of his passing Gene Zimmermann, W3ZZ, was age 71. (ARRL)

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WORLDBEAT: 2012 OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY TRACKED ON APRS

The 2012 Olympic Torch Relay route is being tracked on the APRS.fi web site. To see it go to http://aprs.fi/ and enter Torch2012 in the Track Callsign field. Also information on the Worked All Britain Follow the Torch Award is on-line at www.worked-all-britain.co.uk. (GB2RS)

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WORLDBEAT: SPECIAL CENTENIARY CALL FOR WIA

2012 is the Centenary of the Wireless Institute of Australia being established in the State of Queensland. The special Centenary callsign, VK-100-WIQ, was activated on June 1st and will be active through July 31st by way of the W-I-A affiliated radio clubs in Queensland. There is also a Centenary QSL card and a Centenary award available. Details can be found at www.wia.org.au. (WIA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: LISTEN TO HORYU-2 ON THE WWW

YO8SSQ and YO8TLC have made available a web based receiver to enable listeners to hear the new HORYU-2 amateur radio satellite. This when the new bird is within range of Romania.

The WebSDR receiver is located at the Astronomical Observatory Department of the University in Suceava. That in grid locator KN 37 at a height of 350 meters above sea level.

The hardware consists of two SDR receivers which are fed into 48 kHz sound cards on an AMD Sempron 2600+ computer running Vector Linux. The web page displays a track showing the current position of HORYU-2. It also provides coverage of the 3.65 to 3.710 MHz portion of the 80 band.

You can listen to the HORYU-2 and 80 meter WebSDR receivers at tinyurl.com/sdr-sat-receiver

(HORYU-2 TEAM)

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DX

In DX Word from the ARRL that 2012 XX9E operation from Macao has been approved for DXCC credit. If you worked that operation you can submit it for DXCC. On the air, ON8ZZ, ON3JA and ON3NT will be active as MU stroke OT9Z from Guernsey between July 16th to the 20th. During their stay on Guernsey, they plan to activate Herm Island on the 17th, Sark Island on the 18th and Alderny Island on the 19th. The group will then head south to be active from Chausey Island between July 27th and the 29th using the call F/OT9Z from . QSL all operations via OT9Z.

OE4JHW reports that he will do a suitcase DXpedition to Kuredu Island between September 2nd and the 4th. More details including the QSL route will be forthcoming in the near future.

AC8G who was planning a 6 night stay in Grenada for the CQ WW SSB Contest, October 27th and 28th, has announced that the airline that was to transport him has cancelled his flight. Other dates offered were not acceptable, so he has terminated his plans the operation.

DL9WVM, will once again be active portable A6 from Dubai through June 30th. . His activity will be on 80 through 10 meters. QSL via Logbook of the World or via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

DL2RMC is also on the air slash A6 from Abu Dhabi which started around May 29th. He will be there for 3 weeks depending on his job in United Arab Emerites. QSL as directed on the air.

Lastly N0TG has announced a 2013 operation to Sint Maarten between March 15th to the 23rd. He states that he has the facility arranged, as well as tickets, and all other aspects required so you can look for N0TG, AA4VK and N1SNB to sign slant PJ during that operation. Activity will probably be on all bands and modes. QSL's all three callsigns will go via N0TG.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A PRIMER ON ILLW

And finally a bit of ham radio history on International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. From down-under here's Felix Scerri, VK4FUQ:

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The 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August has inspired many to register early with 32 countries and nearly 250 registered already.

Although this is just over half of the countries normally attracted by the event it is slightly ahead of expectations with ten weeks to go.

The weekend increases the public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for them to be preserved, promotes amateur radio and fosters international goodwill.

The event was started mainly by late Mike Dalrymple GM4SUC and the Ayr Amateur Radio Group in 1995 as the Northern Lighthouse Activity Weekend with stations at Scottish lighthouses. It quickly went international.

The third weekend in August coincides with the worldwide lighthouse open day organized by the Association of Lighthouse Keepers that sees public access to many of the featured lighthouses.

During the weekend a group or individual sets up an amateur station at or adjacent to a lighthouse, lightship or marine beacon that is listed.

To register, complete a short online form, read the event rules and have lots of fun. You will see complete statistics on past events, reports from previous years and ILLW are on Facebook too.

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This year's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is slated for August 18th and 19th and runs 48 hours. If you have access to a lighthouse or lightship you want to activate, you can register for the event on-line at www.illw.org. (WIA News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, TWIT.TV, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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930. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 8 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Raspberry Pi used for Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NC_pFx3Hei8/raspberry_pi_used_for_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT-UK and AMSAT-NA member Dave Johnson, G4DPZ, has been using the
Raspberry Pi to run amateur radio satellite software

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QRP in the Country 2012

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VUuuWck-NSo/qrp_in_the_country_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim Walford is keen to encourage all Club and individuals who would like to
have a stall or display at QRPiC 2012, and says that he still has space
available! The title says it all - QRP related matters in a country setting!

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European Football Championship 2012 on the AIR

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'EFC2012 on the AIR' is an on-the-air activity which promises to be a great
deal of fun, organized by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs affiliated with PZK
and UARL

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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PW 144 MHz QRP Contest

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The 29th annual Practical Wireless 144MHz QRP contest takes place Sunday, June 10

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Indian Radio Hams active for Venus Transit

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Radio amateurs in Tambaram, India took part in Wednesday's Venus Transit event

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Raspberry Pi - the road to compliance

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The Electronics Weekly Directive Decoder blog reports on the steps that lead to the Raspberry Pi getting the less stringent EMC Class A rating

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Portugal Day Contest this weekend

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The Portugal Day Contest takes place June 9-10 from 1200 UTC Saturday until 1200 UTC Sunday

931. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 10 2012

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WIA Centenary DVD's

The WIA AGM and Annual conference in Mildura

German Radio Ham arrested in Greece

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
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WIA Centenary DVD's

The WIA Centenary DVD set with footage from the 2010
Canberra event have been produced and distributed to most
people who pre-registered interest in receiving a copy.
The three DVD sets are $25 and if you are still chasing a
copy, please send an email to Robert Broomhead VK3DN at his

WIA email address vk3dn@wia.org.au

The WIA AGM and Annual conference in Mildura was held a fortnight ago, but we can't stop talking about it. Intrepid reporter Robert VK3DN provided the material for this report.

Visitors came from far and wide, Laurie ZL1ICU:

{00:22} I'm Laurie Mathews [..] it was great.

There were activities outside the AGM and Technical Conference, traditionally intended for partners, but it attracts its fair share of amateurs as well. Jean VK3VIP:

{00:39} Hi this is Jean [..] we've had here.

In our report last week we highlighted some of the discussion that took place during the open forum. One of the hot topics is: "How to promote Amateur Radio?" Roger VK2ZRH on the topic:

{01:02} This is Roger [..] remarkably good use.

And finally a word from Trent, VK4TS

{00:21} This is WIA Director [..] in Perth in 2013.

Next year in the last weekend of May we'll be hosting the conference in VK6. Mark your diary now so you don't have any surprises. Keep an eye on airfares, or plan to share your ride with a fellow amateur.

While you're on the sun-set coast, I thoroughly recommend that you spend some time here to have a look around. There are many day trips around Perth alone and if you make the time, you'll find an amazing array of flora and fauna, not to mention far flung amateurs across Western Australia.

On the conference front, we expect to call for expressions of interest for the technical talks in the coming weeks. More information about that will be included on the News and in AR magazine.

Still recovering from the lurgy that Bob VK6POP shared with me, I'm Onno VK6FLAB.

ON YOUR BIKE!

Here is WIA Director Bob Bristow VK6POP

"I was recently contacted by Robert VK6ARM, who is involved with the VKS 737 outback radio network. This network conducts regular skeds every day to keep in touch with travellers around Australia in order to ensure their safety and to pass on messages.

Robert told me that they had been alerted to the presence of a pair of Korean cyclists who had set off from Laverton in Western Australia to cycle along the Anne Beadell 'Highway' to Coober Pedy in South Australia.

It was reported that the cyclists appeared not to have a support crew, and that they were not carrying much in the way of supplies.

It was apparent that the Korean Cyclists took the term "highway" to mean it was a major road with supply assured along the way. The Anne Beadell highway is a track.

Robert sought my help to put him in touch with the Amateur Radio Travellers Net, in case there were some Amateurs along the road who could render assistance. I referred him to Bob VK6KW, who along with others conducts the travellers net on 20 metres every day..

It turned out that no Amateurs were travelling that road, however there were some on the road who use the VKS737 network. Police services have been alerted.

A few people have come across the cyclists and have given them food and water, as much as they can spare. Others have left water supplies along the track for them.

We can only hope that these fellows both survive their ordeal and appreciate their folly, and the concern and support given to them by complete strangers.

It's also a fine example of successful collaboration between volunteers of two radio based services dedicated to the safety of travellers in the outback.

The Amateur Radio Travellers Net operates every day at 0200 UTC on 14.116 MHz. Information about the VKS737 network can be found on
vks737.on.net

Who said radio is a thing of the past?

I'm Bob VK6POP

Tune in to understand VHF marine radio

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has produced two new videos that provide recreational boaters with up to date information about using VHF marine radios.

The first video shows recreational boaters the importance of operating VHF marine radio correctly. It includes a re-enactment of an actual rescue by the NSW Office of Boating Safety and Maritime Affairs and Marine Rescue NSW.

The second video, produced in collaboration with the Bureau of Meteorology, is about how and why boaters should always check the weather on their VHF marine radio before setting sail and while at sea.

(Blake Murdoch ACMA Media)

Radcomms2012 Run this week.

The Australian Communications & Media Authority's annual radiocommunications forum ran last Wednesday and Thursday at Melbourne's Sofitel on Collins, boasting more than 20 expert speakers.

Timely spectrum-related topics included the growing requirements of broadband mobile, satellite observations of climate change, spectrum issues and the convergence review, and space astronomy.

For over six years, the Radcomms program series have become the peak industry gathering to discuss Australian spectrum issues and future planning.

>From cyclone warnings to planetary health, from galaxies to gigabits, from floods to soil fertility, radio spectrum is not only a core enabler of our modern mobile economy, but also a vital tool in understanding the world and universe around us.

This year's key speakers included Dr Compton Tucker, senior research scientist in the Earth Sciences Division at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Centre; Dr Georg Schone, chief technology officer, LS telcom AG; and Mike Quigley, CEO NBN Co.

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Air Cadets radio exam

The Radio Communications Foundation in the United Kingdom has announced agreement has been reached with the Air Cadets Organisation to accept a pass in their ACO Radio Communications Foundation Equivalent examination as equivalent to a pass in the Foundation Radio Amateur examination.

Ofcom has also accepted that the ACO Foundation Equivalent examination syllabus meets the Radio Amateur Foundation level requirements and will issue a Radio Amateur Foundation level licence via the Radio Society of Great Britain on receipt of a successful Air Cadet candidate pass details.

The RSGB is offering those under 21 who achieve their licence through this route a year's free membership of the Society.

SILENT KEY

As you know we seldom do 'Silent Keys' on the National News, instead leaving it to local club and state level news.

However we have learnt of the passing recently of VK6BDB Sean Leahy.

No not the Cartoonist but his Father who was aged 86!

A tribute written by cartoonist Sean Leahy after the passing of his father, his story made me really think about the service that this man had given, it was posted the day before ANZAC day.

VK6BDB was born in Long Beach, California and moved to Ireland at the age of 11.

He joined the Irish Army then the British Merchant navy as a radio officer and served on the famous salvage tug the "Turmoil" in the Atlantic only venturing out in terrible weather when ships were in distress.

He stuck with that stoically for years despite a constant battle with seasickness. He married in 1956 and brought his 2 young children to Australia in 1960.

He served as a land-based radio officer for OTC Coastal Radio and took postings with his family to Broome, Perth and Carnarvon in Western Australia before his retirement.

He was in retirement also a ham radio buff. His regular "skeds" with other former radio operator friends overseas and around Australia who only knew him by his voice were a daily ritual he kept for years.

Another Silent Key is one Steve Mendelsohn W2ML.

W2ML was a lifelong friend of OUR friend and NewsLine Editor Bill Pasternak WA6ITF.

This is guy who completely changed Bills life!

" It was in the winter or early spring of 1970. I was dating a gal named Sharon Wagner and every Sunday morning found me winding my way from Brooklyn out to Valley Stream to pick up the lady to go - well - go somewhere or do something. Be it just lunch and a movie or whatever, I would pick her up and we would be off to that proverbial somewhere. And it also became a ritual for everyone on WA2SUR to say hello to Sharon and for her to say hi in return. This with me in control of the transceiver. A Regency HR-2 as I recall.

Well this one Sunday after we had all said our hello's via WA2SUR, Steve says something like: "-you two have been going out for months. When are you going to ask the girl to marry you?"

At first I hemmed and hawed a bit looking for an excuse, but there was none to be had. Steve had put me into a corner where it was either catch the fish or cut bait and run. I knew that I was in love with the lady, so with much of New York hamdom listening in on 146.73 MHz, I asked Sharon to change her last name from Wagner to Pasternak. She immediately accepted and that September Sharon and I said "I Do."

Being honest: If not for Steve, I do not know if I would have asked Sharon or any gal to become my wife. But thanks to him, I was forced to make a decision that was definitely the right one. 40 years so far and headed toward 41.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

630m in Monaco

The telecoms regulator of the Principality of Monaco has allocated the segment 472-479kHz to the amateur service, with secondary status, with a maximum power of one watt eirp.

Radio waves remotely trigger insulin

Researchers have remotely activated genes inside living animals, a proof of concept that could one day lead to medical procedures in which patients'

genes are triggered on demand. The team used radio waves to switch on engineered insulin-producing genes in mice.

Jeffrey Friedman, a molecular geneticist at the Rockefeller University in New York and lead author of the study, said that in the short term, the results will lead to better tools to allow scientists to manipulate cells non-invasively. But with refinement, he thinks, clinical applications could also be possible.

Friedman and his colleagues coated iron oxide nanoparticles with antibodies that bind to a modified version of the temperature-sensitive ion channel TRPV1, which sits on the surface of cells. They injected these particles into tumours, grown under the skin of mice, then used the magnetic field generated by a device similar to a miniature magnetic-resonance-imaging machine to heat the nanoparticles with low-frequency radio waves. In turn, the nanoparticles heated the ion channel to its activation temperature of 42°C. Opening the channel allowed calcium to flow into cells, triggering secondary signals that switched on an engineered calcium-sensitive gene that produces insulin.

After 30 minutes of radio wave exposure, the mice's insulin levels had increased and their blood sugar levels had dropped.

"The great thing about this system is that radio wave heating can penetrate deep tissue, and TRPV1 can focus that stimulus very locally to just where you have the nanoparticles," said David Julius, a physiologist who studies TRPV1 at the University of California, San Francisco.

Friedman said that his team did not develop the method as a way of managing diabetes; insulin and blood sugar levels simply provide convenient physiological readouts for checking that the remote control is working. "There are many good treatments for diabetes that are much simpler," he said. However, the system could potentially be engineered to produce proteins to treat other conditions.

For more information take a look at the link
radiocomms.com.au/articles/53026

German Radio Ham arrested in Greece

Greek newspapers report on the arrest of a German radio amateur, Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI on holiday in Mastichari, Kos, apparently for the 'crime' of operating amateur radio equipment.

Greek news reports appear to indicate the 75 year old was arrested under a 1929 decree for illegal operation of radio telegraph equipment.
The Aegean News reports that he was on holiday with his wife who has Alzheimer's.

A photograph published by Aegea News show injuries reportedly received from handcuffs.

Read the Aegea News report in Google English
http://tinyurl.com/DJ6SI-Aegea-News

Samos Times report
http://tinyurl.com/DJ6SI-Samos-Times

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAM RADIO BEING DRAWN INTO DISPUTE OVER OWNERSHIP OF SCARBOROUGH REEF

Ham radio is being drawn into a dispute over the territorial ownership of Scarborough Reef. This as a website pops up claiming correspondence between the Philippine Amateur Radio Association and the ARRL supports mainland China's territorial claim in regard to the land mass that's also known as Panatag Shoal or Bajo de Masinloc.

The report on the Sina website relating to amateur radio says that back in 1990, the then Philippine ambassador to Germany indicated clearly in his letter to a German radio amateur on February 5th that, Scarborough was not within the Philippine territory and sovereignty. This, according to the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority of the Philippines.

The documents issued by the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority of the Philippines and the Philippine amateur radio organization to the American Radio Relay League on October 18 and November 18, 1994 had also are claimed to confirm that the Philippine territorial limits and sovereignty was stipulated by the Article 3 of the Treaty of Paris way back in the year 1889.

Scarborough Reef is located between the Macclesfield Bank and Luzon Island of the Philippines. Over the years it has seen several major DXpeditions and still ranks high as a wanted entity by DXers worldwide. .

You can read the entire claim for yourself on-line at
tinyurl.com/Scarborough-Reef.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Researchers grow Biological Hard Drive from Bacteria

Researchers at the University of Leeds have used a type of bacterium which 'eats' iron to create a surface of magnets, similar to those found in traditional hard drives, and wiring. As the bacterium ingests the iron it creates tiny magnets within itself. The team has also begun to understand how the proteins inside these bacteria collect, shape and position these "nanomagnets" inside their cells and can now replicate this behaviour outside the bacteria. Using this knowledge the team hopes to develop a 'bottom-up'

approach for creating cheaper, more environmentally-friendly electronics of the future.

The magnetic array was created using a protein which creates perfect nanocrystals of magnetite inside the bacterium Magnetospirilllum magneticum. In a process akin to potato-printing on a much smaller scale, this protein is attached to a gold surface in a checkerboard pattern and placed in a solution containing iron. At a temperature of 80�C, similarly-sized crystals of magnetite form on the sections of the surface covered by the protein. The researchers are now working to reduce the size of these islands of magnets, in order to make arrays of single nanomagnets. They also plan to vary the magnetic materials that this protein can control. These next steps would allow each of these nanomagnets to hold one bit of information allowing the construction of better hard drives.

http://www.elektor.com/news/researchers-grow-biological-hard-drive-from.2160567.lynkx

(Sourced from vk7wia)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Shires Contest June 9-10
VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

Winter VHF-UHF Field Day

The Winter VHF-UHF Field Day will be held over the weekend of June 23 and 24.

The Field Days have separate sections for single and multiple operator stations. The Field Day runs for 24 hours, but there are also 8 hour sections for operators who may not be able to camp overnight. If you don't like the nice cool weather, there is also a separate Home Station section.

An extra feature in the next Field Day will be an "F Call Challenge", with special certificates for Foundation licensees who participate in any of the single operator sections of the Field Day.

The details have been published in "Amateur Radio" magazine, and they are also available on the contest page of http://www.wia.org.au

(John VK3KM)

The winners of CQ Magazine DX Marathon 2011 have just been announced, and the winner for Oceania, and also Zone 30, is VK4CC, Col Clark! He will receive a trophy for his efforts, a huge achievement in what was really his first year as a serious DXer. Full results are published in the June issue of CQ magazine, out now.

Congratulations, Col!

the news is just in from Bob Locher W9KNI live from Dayton, and who Col cites as his DX Elmer, having been inspired to tackle the Marathon when he read Bob's book "A Year of DX".

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

It is congratulations to VK5VJZ who at 12 minutes into the WIAQ 100 year celebrations became the first appear in the logs as having worked special station VK100WIQ operating out of the 4650 post code zone.

The team who were so "bad" at Cape Liptrap last August have decided to be bad again!

VK3BAD that is.

At the end of August a 20 strong team will travel into the Otway Ranges homing in on The King Parrot Cottage complex near the Village of Pennyroyal for a party. The Pennyroyal Propagation Party , a long weekend of Radio, Delicious Food and Drink and Great Company.

Styled "Wireless Weekends" this inaugural operation follows on from highly popular activations at Cape Liptrap over the past two years, And so great was the demand that the trip was sold out just 3 days after being announced.

The location is high in the mountains with lots of wildlife in the area and great views. The Station will operate on most HF frequencies 160 - 10mtrs and on 6 and 2 mtrs and 70cm with contact to the Melbourne Area via the Geelong 2 mtr repeater. They'll also attempt a live link up on 1250mhz to VK3RTV repeater from a nearby high point which according to plotting software will give a line of sight path of 147km. Also they hope to have a number of live crosses using Skype to access VK3RTV during the weekend so you can see all the action.

So please listen out for VK3BAD on 31st August through until September 3rd.

Further details on QRZ.com under VK3BAD

T6JM

That station from Afghanistan CT1FKN who is signing T6JM is about to depart mid-June. T6JM is mainly QRV on 20m SSB and BPSK31.
QSL T6JM to CT1KFN his home call.

Some special event call signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games:

2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales.

The London 2012 Inspire program has granted the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) -- Great Britain's IARU Member-Society -- use of the "Inspire mark" for these stations.

Both stations will be on-the-air for the duration of the Games, July 27-August 12.

More Special callsigns for UK radio amateurs during 2012

The Radio Society of Great Britain and Ofcom have reached agreement on the optional use of special callsigns for two significant events during 2012.

For the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, all UK amateur stations will have the option of applying for a variation to their licence if they wish, to use a special prefix for a five week period. This will add or substitute the letter "Q" in the place of the Regional identifier in the callsign.

Period: 00.00 BST 5th May 2012 to 23.59 BST 10th June 2012.

For the period of the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games, a similar facility will exist for a seven week period, using the letter "O".

Period: 00.00 BST 21st July 2012 to 23.59 BST 9th September 2012

Read the full details at
http://www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id=0263

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

In the past I've talked about the history of Amateur Radio and how as a new participant it's easy to make the same mistakes as those who came before you because you don't yet know enough to ask the right questions, or the right place to look.

Recently I had a conversation on air with an Amateur who had been fascinated with the hobby since the late 1940's, so over 60 years of experience in the field. At the time we were talking about inspiration, that is, what is it that inspired him to become part of the hobby.

He told of a time when he built a kit and made a transmitter and it worked. He was hooked. And while that story continues on, I'm going to go sideways to show a little of the world and how it's changed in those 60 years.

We're all familiar with the idea of going from horse and cart to the automobile. Unless you've actually sat in a cart and experienced it, it's still only sort of an understanding of the change and evolution.

Right now, you're likely sitting next to a radio that has a VFO on it. Probably it's got a digital display of some kind, as you turn the VFO, the display indicates what frequency you're tuned to. The pre-cursor to this is a dial with frequencies indicated and a vernier that indicated what the dial was turned to.

But there was a step before that.

Imagine for a moment that you have a simple receiver. Its got a dial on it that is numbered 1 to 100. You can turn the dial and change its tuning frequency. To know what actual frequency its on, you look up the dial position in a calibration book. So, 39 might be 3.582 MHz. So, you set-up your simple receiver in such a way that you've got it set to the place where

you're wanting to receive.

Then, you turn on your transmitter and tune it to the same place. You know you're in the right place when the simple receiver starts to squeal and then when its tuned it's howling.

Then, you turn on your receiver and tune that to the same place in the same way, you hear it squeal.

Now you can actually key your morse or PTT key and start transmitting.

Sounds like a lot more work than what you go through today.

Here's something else. The simple receiver, it's called a wave meter and it's calibrated in a laboratory. Presumably the manufacturer has a set of crystals that oscillate on the appropriate frequency and the wave meter is calibrated and logs are taken to make the dial position co-inside with a known frequency.

That's what it was like in 1950 to tune your radio.

And here I am with a Yaesu 857d that fits in my hand, runs across multiple bands and transmits up to 100 Watts.

Perhaps that's more illustrative than a horse and cart.

That's history, right there.

I'm Onno, VK6FLAB

REWIND

A leaf out of our history thanks to Jim Linton VK3PC

The American Radio Relay League or ARRL is planning to celebrate its centennial in 2014 and has asked individuals and clubs to start thinking of how best to mark the foundation of the organisation.

Its President Kay Craigie N3KN wants the once-in-a-lifetime event to be truly special.

You may recall that Kay N3KN was the very last to work the special station VK100WIA during the Institutes celebration, with the WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI on the microphone.

The ARRL will draw on historical collections and the memories of living radio amateurs. It will also bring out centennial merchandise.

It encourages local clubs to develop public relations events in 2014 that are both meaningful to radio amateurs and tied in to the observance of the ARRL's 100th birthday.

RSGB also looks at its centenary

The Radio Society of Great Britain has formed a Centenary Working Group headed by Rob Harwood G0HRT who is now planning a number of events next year for the RSGB's 100 years.

This may include Special Event Stations, local club events and other acuities to the hobby.

Rob G0HRT is seeking volunteers among the RSGB membership and may be contacted through centenary@rsgb.org.uk

And a little closer to home, the centenary of the wireless institute in Queensland will happen this year, 2012

The Queensland centenary committee, invite you to celebrate this Centenary and all of its wonderful history through to July 31st .

They have developed a special QSL card, along with a centenary award. These can be Viewed on the WIA website, under news and events, VK4 centenary.

Check out website wia.org.au for further details of history and events.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JUN 8-11 VK4 cancelled ! FNNQARG! QLD Cassowary Coast CANCELLED!!!!!!!!!

JUN 9-10 VK2 Oxley Region Amateur Radio Club field day Port Macquarie.

JUN 9-10 VK5 South East Radio Group Convention, Mt Gambier.

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

932. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 8 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-08 16:21:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407bdc31a2c04c1f8643f@google.com>
Source record: 2899
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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4th July Week Special Event from the Birthplace of John Dunlap

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 07:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349343-4th-July-Week-Special-Event-from-the-Birthplace-of-John-Dunlap&goto=newpost

Once again the Strabane A R S will be running a special event station from the town of Strabane Co. Tyrone Northern Ireland the birthplace of John Dunlap the printer of The American Declaration of Independence. The town was also the birthplace of Sir Guy Carleton the Commander in Chief of British Forces in North America.

We will be operating using the club call MN5ALJ on all HF bands that are open so hope to make the hook-up with you over the 4th July week.

Terry GI7THH

933. Re: Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 7 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-08 16:57:01 UTC
From: "Paul W. Schleck" <pschleck@novia.net>
Message-ID: <4fd22e81$0$12399$540ea2cf@novia.net>
Source record: 2900

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Hash: SHA1

In <4fd1700f$0$36868$742ec2ed@news.sonic.net> Patty Winter <patty1@wintertime.com> writes:

>It's encouraging to see how much press ham radio is getting!
>Sure, most of the papers and broadcast stations running these
>stories are on the small side, but that's fine. It's still good
>publicity, and maybe in smaller towns readers are more apt to
>know some of the hams mentioned in the stories and will approach
>those people for more information.

>Patty N6BIS

Yes, definitely!

Recent positive news about amateur radio, including increasing numbers
of licensees, technical innovations, and public service activities, is
there if you look for it. Positive and relevant experiences within
amateur radio are possible for those willing to learn, as well as
respect and work with others towards a common good. Unfortunately,
reading some on-line forums ostensibly about amateur radio might leave
the lingering impression that it's full of people with obsessive or
anti-social personality disorders, those with apparently nothing better
to do with their time, or even the criminally insane. And I'm sure that
the regulators are also watching and drawing their own potentially
unfair conclusions based on this non-representative sample. That's why
I feel that it's important to emphasize this ongoing news about
positive, constructive events within amateur radio, and bring it (within
fair-use guidelines) to on-line forums where it would be on-topic.

73, Paul, K3FU

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Paul W. Schleck
pschleck@novia.net
http://www.novia.net/~pschleck/
Finger pschleck@novia.net for PGP Public Key

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3EQAn1sHWR5juuCE8sMQhGV7ESvc4rIc
=6tqN
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934. eHam.net News for Friday 8 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-08 22:04:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411b57b9dea04c1fd2d5e@google.com>
Source record: 2751
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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GCHQ And Bletchley Park Link Up With The Times Cheltenham Science Festival:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28446

GCHQ And Bletchley Park will be joining forces and inviting the public to take part in a unique recreation of the wartime codebreaking process at this year's Times Cheltenham Science Festival from 12-17 June. These activities will form part of the celebrations marking the centenary of the birth of Alan Turing. For the first time, members of the public will be invited to encrypt a message on one of GCHQ's Enigma machines at the Town Hall, before it is sent to Bletchley Park, home of the wartime codebreakers. Once at Bletchley Park, the message will be decrypted with the help of the Turing Bombe Rebuild and the decoded message 'tweeted' back. The whole event will be live and interactive using a two-way Skype videoconference, ensuring that members of the public in both Cheltenham and Bletchley Park can see every part of the encryption/decryption process. Further interest will be added during the weekend 16-17 June, when the Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association will transmit the encrypted messages to Bletchley Park in Morse code. The messages will be received by their counterparts in the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society who will hand them on to the decryption process before 'tweeting' the decoded message back to Cheltenham.

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Hamilton, MT Exempts Ham Radio Operators from Cell Phone Driving Ban:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28445

HAMILTON -- In July, Hamilton drivers will have to go hands-free when making calls from behind the wheel. Hamilton City Council approved Tuesday a ban on driving and talking on the phone within city limits, with a special exception for ham radio operators. No one showed up to comment during the first hearing last month, but this time the proposal brought several amateur radio operators complaining the ban on "handheld electronic communication devices" could shut them down entirely. The hams said that wasn't just bad for their hobby, but could put them in a position of breaking the law if they were using their radios to help in emergencies. Some testified that their new equipment is designed to keep eyes on the road. Amateur radio operator John Mann said the way he uses his radio, it's less distracting than searching for stations on a typical car radio. "I'm

looking straight ahead," Mann said. Council members agreed with the hams' arguments, and added an exemption for licensed amateur radio operators in addition to people using two-way radios for work or cell phones to report emergencies or calling while parked off the road. Police are also exempt.

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ARNewsline Report 1817 -- June 8 2012:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28444

The following is a Q-S-T. A famed German DXer is arrested in Greece but nobody seems to know why, including Greece. Also, medical wireless network to operate adjacent to ham radio satellites on 13 centimeters; Malaysia says emergency agencies should embrace amateur radio and a primer on International lighthouse and lightship weekend. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1817 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #23:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 01:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28442

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 01:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28441

This Week in Radiosport:

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Forecasters Calling for 'Near-Normal' Hurricane Season:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 01:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28440

Forecasters with the National Hurricane Center are calling for a "near-normal" Atlantic hurricane season for 2012. In its initial outlook for the 2012 Atlantic hurricane season -- which began Friday, June 1 and runs through November 30 -- the National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is calling for a 50 percent probability of a near-normal season, a 25 percent probability of an above-normal season and a 25 percent probability of a below-normal season. The 2012 hurricane season began early when Tropical Storm Alberto and Tropical Storm Beryl both developed several days before the official start of the season, the first time since 1908 that two tropical storms developed early; the only other year with two storms so early in the

season was 1887.

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ARRL in Action: What Have Wee Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 01:23 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28439

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that
the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which
covers the month of May -- takes a look at the new digital edition of
QST, the ARRL EXPO at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention, the League's response
to the FCC's request concerning impediments to Amateur Radio, draft
band plans for 13 and 33 cm, the results of the ARRL Video Contest,
reports from the Official Observer Desk and more.

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ARRL Board of Directors Approves 9 cm Band Plan:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 01:23 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28438

The ARRL
Board of Directors has unanimously voted to approve the 9 cm band plan,
as presented by the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee. Earlier
this year, the committee asked radio amateurs for comments on a proposed 9
cm band plan, explaining
that the purpose of these band plans is to share information about how
the amateur bands are being used and to suggest compatible frequency
ranges for various types of applications.

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Papers Requested for ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 01:22 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28437

Amateurs are invited to submit technical papers for presentation at
the 31st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC)>), to
be held September 21-23, 2012 at the
Sheraton Gateway Airport Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. These papers will
also be published in the Conference Proceedings (you do not need to
attend the conference to have your paper included in the Proceedings).
The submission deadline is July 31.

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 01:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28436

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page on
the ARRL website. Let your voice be
heard!

935. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 8 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 02:12:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3074d2d81951bb04c200a524@google.com>
Source record: 2752
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Teens participate in nationwide Ham Radio event - kjrh.com

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 01:47 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEpugmoefrPsiBhAH7ABTWMw14OFg&url=http://www.kjrh.com/dpp/news/teens-participate-in-nationwide-ham-radio-event

kjrh.com
Teens participate in nationwide Ham Radio event
kjrh.com
Muskogee, OK - Kelsee Smith and Trevor Watts scan the airwaves for other ham radio operators. Their contact log shows theyve been pretty busy. "I like the foreign ones the best," says Smith. "We talked to West England, Trevor got Africa, ...

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Ham Radio Volunteers Relay Messages During Emergencies - KOHD

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 10:57 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGNiH16mKqfpTFp7vRU6bmTKOeufQ&url=http://kohd.com/news/local/248374

KOHD
Ham Radio Volunteers Relay Messages During Emergencies
KOHD
His automated systems give rain totals and current temperatures, and its fed into his ham shack. This is where he gives his daily report. Broadcasting via amateur radio is a hobby Welfel picked up 50 years ago. With his antennas, he can reach Alaska, ...

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ARNewsline Report 1817 -- June 8 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 12:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGkCeJh5_xzmcAu4ZOVzMKjbzv0lQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28444

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eHam.net
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Indian Radio Hams active for Venus Transit - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 11:21 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHA5jb_gpOvZfrpILGH44NSQ9Aw8g&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/indian_radio_hams_active_for_venus_transit.htm

Indian Radio Hams active for Venus Transit
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
For the first time, about 1000 children and their parents in suburban Tambaram had the opportunity to view the Venus transit in their neighbourhood with live updates by amateur (ham) radio operators from various parts of the city.

and more

936. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 9 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 06:34:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f9f690e6f04c2044d04@google.com>
Source record: 2753
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Muskegon Color Tour Hamfest Muskegon, MI. OCT 13, 2012

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 04:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349290-Muskegon-Color-Tour-Hamfest-Muskegon-MI-OCT-13-2012&goto=newpost

MUSKEGON COLOR TOUR HAMFEST

OCTOBER 13, 2012 SATURDAY 8:00 am TIL 12:00 pm

Fellowship Reformed Church

4200 E Apple Ave.

Muskegon, Michigan 49442

(Muskegon County)

VE Testing at 9:00 AM

HSMM-MESH Demo at 10:00 AM

Fox Hunting Seminar at 11:00 AM

Tickets $6.00 at the door, or $5.00 in advance

Tables $8.00 each. Electric requested, as available.

Vendor set-up available on Friday evening with security overnight for the facility.

Checks payable to: MCECS P.O. Box 386 Fruitport, MI. 49415

ARRL Affiliated Event

Download a flyer for the event: http://www.mcecs.net/Hamfest.htm

937. EARN FROM WORLD BIGGEST COMPANY "GOOGLE ADSENSE" .....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 08:40:09 UTC
From: ujjal ghosh <ujjalghosh905@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b67709d8-e3fe-4053-8490-0ed9dc8e96c8@b5g2000pbm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2754

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938. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 9 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 11:03:51 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf307c9c30cda97304c208112a@google.com>
Source record: 2755
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio at Cheltenham Science Festival

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j0z15YWe5p8/amateur_radio_at_cheltenham_science_festival.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association and the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society will be participating in a link up between GCHQ and Bletchley Park, which is inviting the public to take part in a unique recreation of the wartime codebreaking process at this year’s Times Cheltenham Science Festival from June 12-17

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ARISS and Ham Radio Opportunities video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5QssFM_SXFg/ariss_and_ham_radio_opportunities_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dayton 2012 presentation by Mark Hammond N8MH describing the different roles and opportunities for Technical Mentors and Ground Station operators to play in an ARISS contact with the International Space Station

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NZ4O Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WEBKUBwHjnw/propagation_forecast_24.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O 'Daily' Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast has been published on Friday Jun 08, 2012 at 1400 UTC and is valid for the next 24 hours

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PrintSat - An Amateur Radio 3D Printer CubeSat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BW33p0HA56o/printsat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Students at Montana Sate University (MSU) are planning to build their new amateur radio satellite PrintSat with nano-carbon-impregnated plastic using a 3D printer

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Teens participate in nationwide Ham Radio event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5aoM8lph0m4/teens_participate_in_nationwide_ham_radio_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

KJRH TV News reports on teenagers who used amateur radio to participate in Museum Ships Weekend, June 2-3

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LY Hamfest 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r3T4lPBPS0E/ly_hamfest_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Every summer Lithuanian Radio Amateurs gather to take part in their traditional HAMFEST at a beautiful spot in Lithuania

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Hacking with Radios and Arduinos

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HKusOLNFvSo/hacking_with_radios_and_arduinos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dayton 2012 presentation by Bernard, KI6TSF 'Hacking with Radios and Arduinos' covers the digital DIY aspect of Amateur Radio

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QBiFfg7sQsY/june_09.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers increased about 60% during the past week (May 31 through June 6), when compared to the previous seven days (May 24-30). The increase was 48.5 points, from 81.9 to 130.4. Average daily solar flux was up 18.6 points from 111.6 to 130.2

939. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 9 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 12:17:59 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <aU1ehXB37z0PFw12@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2756
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <20cf307c9c30cda97304c208112a@google.com>, Southgate Amateur
Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> writes
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>Amateur Radio at Cheltenham Science Festival
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>Posted:
>http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j0z15YWe5p8/amateur_r
>adio_at_cheltenham_science_festival.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium
>=email
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>The Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association and the Milton Keynes Amateur
>Radio Society will be participating in a link up between GCHQ and
>Bletchley Park, which is inviting the public to take part in a unique
>recreation of the wartime codebreaking process at this year’s Times
>Cheltenham Science Festival from June 12-17
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It sounds like an interesting event, and best of luck to them. However,
I hope they have the appropriate NoV - ie one which allows the
transmission of encrypted messages!
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Ian

940. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 9 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 16:08:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340bdd8fc4b104c20c5345@google.com>
Source record: 2757
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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A New Award for DXpeditions

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 11:53 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349369-A-New-Award-for-DXpeditions&goto=newpost

The Cass Award encourages DXpeditions to maximize the number of DXers they work by annually presenting a $1000 prize to the single-operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns within a 4-week interval. This award is named in honor of Cass WA6AUD (SK), whose stories in the West Coast DX Bulletin taught a generation of DXers that DX IS! The winner of the 2012 Cass Award will be announced in March 2013.

An ☐unlimited☐ award category with a larger prize is under development for introduction in 2013. If you☐d like to pledge a contribution, send email to Contribution@CassAward.com .

To learn more, visit the Cass Award web site at www.CassAward.com .

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1817 June 8 2012

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 10:24 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349314-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1817--June-8-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1817 ☐ June 8 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1817 with a release date of June 8, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A famed German DXer is arrested in Greece but nobody seems to know why, including Greece. Also, medical wireless network to operate adjacent to ham radio satellites on 13 centimeters; Malaysia says emergency agencies should embrace amateur radio and a primer on International lighthouse and lightship weekend. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1817 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FAMED GERMAN DX☐ER DJ6SI ARRESTED IN GREECE

In what has to be one of the strangest international legal issues involving a ham radio operator, famed German DXpedition leader Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI, has been arrested in Greece. But in a strange turn of events he was permitted to return to Germany if he promised that he would come back to Greece for trial. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom trying to sort it all out:

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Let me start by saying that it is very hard to know what has really taken place because most of the news sources are foreign language ham radio blogs and other news reports that have been electronically translated into English. Also, as we go to air there comes a purported statement in German from the person in the center of the controversy, DXer Baldur Drobnika, DJ6SI. It was posted to QRZ.com by YO4PX after being translated by DK5KF. As that is the latest information, lets start there and then take a look at the rest of the story as it seemed to unfold.

The statement credited to DJ6SI reads as follows:

"June 3rd, 2012, 20:46 (UTC 2)

Dear Michael,

I wasn□t charged with espionage. As a reason of my arrest it was stated that:

1. I performed radio traffic without the approval of the Greek authorities;

2. I owned transmitting equipment which enabled the reception of other frequencies;

To the accusation was later added an other point:

I hindered the visualization of the content of my notebook.

I would like to ask you to eliminate the information that I was arrested for espionage, or to replace it with my statement.

Vy 73 Baldur DJ6SI"

Now, the back story:

According to news reports, 75 year old Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI was on holiday on the Greek island of Kos. That□s where he was reportedly taken into custody for the crime of espionage which was quickly reduced to operating amateur radio equipment. This, even though both Greece and Drobnika□s home country of Germany are both signatories to the CEPT pan-European Amateur Radio licensing agreement.

Even so, Greek news reports appear to indicate DJ6SI was actually arrested under a 1929 Greek law covering illegal operation of radio telegraph equipment even though the CEPT agreement would likely superscede the older law.

According to Greek ham radio blogs the accusation of espionage was based on a complaint that he was □producing strange noises□ with his computer. Those strange noises turned out to be CW and RTTY. This was corroborated by many who notice reports of his operation on Internet-based DX spotting clusters.

Quite quickly the espionage charge appeared to disappear and the reduced charge under the 1929 law implemented. And in a strange turn of events, DJ6SI was permitted to return to Germany but he was told that he must return to Greece to stand trial on June 7th. That hearing is likely taking place as this newscast goes to air. But as several Greek hams have pointed out, DJ6SI would have not been permitted to leave the country if there were any real case or even a suspicion that he was engaged in spying activities.

And one Greek ham radio blog took the matter a lot further. The Radio Amateur Association of Greece issued an angry statement defending DJ6SI. It claims that the responsibility for the entire matter should be placed on the to the shoulders of the officer that ignored laws and regulations, arrested DJ6SI and led him to court. They also place blame on the prosecutor who they say was quick to suggest his conviction based on a law passed in 1927, in the year 2012.

The hams also point out that radio amateurs have been complaining for years to the responsible Ministry that public services and institutions and particularly police have not been informed properly about ham radio. The association says that it□s the governments duty to inform all relevant authorities about amateur radio and its operations.

Obviously. This story is far from over.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

941. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 9 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 16:34:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <0016e68ee3d88755f604c20caf51@google.com>
Source record: 2758
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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YW5B La Blanquilla Island

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 06:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349466-YW5B-La-Blanquilla-Island&goto=newpost

Members of Grupo DX Caracas will be active from La Blanquilla Island (IOTA
SA-037) 11-16 July 2012 as YW5B

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...quilla-island/

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LU, CE, CP, ZP, CX, PY, OA, HK, YV, etc.

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 05:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349458-LU-CE-CP-ZP-CX-PY-OA-HK-YV-etc&goto=newpost

To QSO LU - CX - CE - PY - ZP - etc. you will Focus South America during
WWSA Contest

Using a very familiar exchange and format, contesters have a prime option
from South America during the second weekend of June, with the WWSA CW
Contest, sponsored by the Grupo Argentino de Radiotelegrafia (GACW).

The focus is on South America, as the 24 hour contest runs from 1500 GMT on
Saturday 9 June to 1500 on Sunday 10June.

We has been trying hard in recent years to get more US and Canadian
stations to join in the WWSA CW Contest, and those that tune in during the
24 hour contest period should recognize a very familiar rhythm.

The contest exchange is the same as CQ WW, using a signal report and your
CQ zone. Example: 59905, 59911, etc.

Multipliers are also counted the same way, making it a familiar format.
Country + CQ zone

Just like CQ WW, contacts between stations in your home country are okay
for zone or country multipliers, but have zero point value. Same continent
= 1 pt - Different continet = 3 pts.

There is one difference in how your score is totaled, as South American
stations are worth extra points - 5 points for stations outside of South

America.

It is a kind of a contest in which all the South Americans will play the role of difficult DX since we grant special points.

For this edition, as we did the previous year, we will grant electronic Diplomas to the winners of the most important categories and when the score justifies it.

In our web site you can find multilingual rules, results, pictures and videos, software, etc.

There is a new address for your WWSA 2012 logs = logs@wwsatest.org

WWSA web site www.wwsatest.org

GACW web site http://gacw.no-ip.org

We will be very happy to contact you in the CW HF bands...!!!

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GB60VUL in the news.....

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 04:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349457-GB60VUL-in-the-news&goto=newpost

GB60VUL had such a good month on air we even came to the attention of our local press.......Entries in the log were up 40% on our previous best.

http://www.newburytoday.co.uk/digita...NWN/#/5/zoomed

GB60VUL-NWN.jpg

Thanks to all who made it such a success.

Norman

M0JEC

Attached Images

GB60VUL-NWN.jpg
(831.6 KB)

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YP0CW/P in 9 june, during EUFF-Contest will be on YOFF-408

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 11:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349368-YP0CW-P-in-9-june-during-EUFF-Contest-will-be-on-YOFF-408&goto=newpost

Tomorrow 9 June 2012, YP0CW/P will operate in YOFF-183

from 0900z to 1900z, during EUFF Contest.

Bands: 7/14/21/28

Mode: CW

EUFF Contest info:

http://wff-yo.blogspot.com/

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1960s Pop-Rock Music & TV Shows Net

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 12:43 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349268-1960s-Pop-Rock-Music-amp-TV-Shows-Net&goto=newpost

Hams who also enjoy the music and television shows of the 1960s are invited to participate in "The 1960s Pop-Rock Music and TV Shows Net" every Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm Mountain Time. The Net airs for one hour on the 224.500 repeater in Tucson during which time we discuss '60s music and TV, and answer trivia questions for both topics. If you would like to participate in the Net and live outside southcentral Arizona and/or do not own 220 equipment, you are encouraged to join us via SKYPE or Echo Link. Please contact our Net VOIP control operator, KE7GRV (Terry) for connection information at: TR-RYAN@COX.NET

We look forward to you joining us for the only net in the country dedicated to '60s music and TV. Until then, keep on rockin' and help keep the sixties alive!

73',

John N7LQR

942. SARL News in English 9/6/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 16:45:15 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <36567CE27B3045D28BE4ACA3BC169F66@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2759
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 10 JUNE 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,750 MHz FM from Pretoria (other news readers change to suit) with relays on 7 066 kHz and 3 695 kHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

Eugene "Gene" Marais, ZS6TA, became a silent key on Wednesday 30 May. He was a longstanding member of the SARL and the Highveld Amateur Radio Club. He is survived by a son and two daughters, nephew Chris De Beer, ZS6RI, and grandson, Craig Marais, ZR6CM.

Late news: Ann Hill, widow of Dennis Hill, ZS6AWM, informed us that Dennis passed away on 18 February 2012.

Our sincere condolences to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

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In the news today:

INTERNATIONAL EME CONFERENCE IN CAMBRIDGE

SKA TO FEATURE IN THE NEXT INTECNET

YOUTH DAY AND NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY EVENTS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

INTERNATIONAL EME CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN CAMBRIDGE

The 15th International Earth-moon-earth (EME) conference will be held at Churchill College, Cambridge, between 15 and 19 August. It is hosted by the UK Microwave Group.

This is the first time that this conference will be held in the United Kingdom (UK), and it provides an opportunity to learn about this most technically challenging aspect of our great science-based hobby. In addition to EME-specific lectures there will be presentations on radio astronomy and deep space communications, as both these subjects have much in common with EME. Two Nobel Physics Laureates from the world of radio astronomy will be present at the conference. Joe Taylor, K1JT, is a keen EME enthusiast and will be presenting a paper on MAP65, while fellow-Laureate Professor Antony Hewish FRS is the speaker at the conference gala dinner on Saturday 18th.

With over 150 delegates and 60 partners from 5 continents already registered, this promises to be a great event. All those wishing to attend must preregister for this conference before 1st August. Day passes and a range of accommodation packages from one to four nights are available. See www.eme2012.com for full details.

SKA TO FEATURE IN THE NEXT INTECNET

Prof Justin Jonas of the SKA team will be the guest on the next Interactive Technical Net (INTECNET) on Sunday 17 June 2012 at 19:30. The net will start at 19:30. Prof Jonas will talk about what part of the SKA will come to South Africa and highlight the science that will be done. He will also participate in an interactive session and answer questions from radio amateurs around the country.

Clubs wishing to link their repeater to the Intecnet interactive audio stream, are invited to send details of their landline number to artoday@sarl.org.za by no later than Wednesday.

REPEATER WORK GROUP MEETS ON 23 JUNE

The SARL Repeater manager, Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ, reports that several clubs and repeater groups have responded to an invitation for all division 6 clubs to send their representative to the repeater work group meeting. It will be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre on Saturday 23 June at 09:00.

To assist with catering arrangements, please send details of who will be attending to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za if you have not already done so.

MORE RTA DATE CHANGES

Just to confuse everyone, we had to make more changes to the dates of the SARL Radio Technology in Action symposiums to overcome clashes with other events. The final dates are now as follows: Durban remains on 21 July at the brand new venue on the Howard College Campus of the University of KwaZulu Natal.

Johannesburg has moved to 18 August and Cape Town now moves to 29 September. Port Elizabeth remains on 1 September. Details are also on the SARL web at www.sarl.org.za.

YOUTH DAY AND NATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO DAY EVENTS

Have you organised a National Amateur Radio and Youth Day event? If you are planning an event or activity please send the details to artoday@sarl.org.za today.

The Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club as well as the Boland Amateur Radio Club has arranged various activities. SARL NEWS has not heard from any other Radio clubs.

The programme for Saturday 16 June will be updated and made available on the web on Monday 11 June.

Just in case you missed last Sunday's SARL-news, here is a reminder of the agreement with ICASA that will allow unlicensed persons to operate an amateur radio station under the supervision of a licensed radio amateur without the need to register as an educational station for Saturday 16 June. Here is a further incentive to set up a demonstration station, involve the youth in the youth day sprint and show the man in the street how great amateur radio is. The SARL has produced a special, eye catching metal pin badge to hand out to young people operating a demonstration station. Have a look at www.sarl.org.za and place the order for your club on Monday. Orders will be shipped on Tuesday by counter to counter parcel mail.

Tracking details for Peter Davis, ZS6IQ, on the Vaal Dam has changed to www.aprs.fi and lookup ZS6IQ-10 (Not -9) The tracker is now operational. Try it out. The boat is currently on land for some TLC. Look up ZS6IQ on qrz.com for info on the day.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. There is a chance for M-class flares from Sunspot 1494.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 86.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent and mostly on east-west paths. Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

16 June - Amateurradio and youth day event. 17 June - Intechnet at 19:30 with Prof Justin Jonas as speaker. 23 June - Repeater group meeting at NARC at 09:00.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interestto radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - ifpossible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays

on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dirk, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Flip Britz, ZS6BSO, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

943. eHam.net News for Saturday 9 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-09 22:02:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411b5c807e204c211457d@google.com>
Source record: 2760
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Teens Participate in Nationwide Ham Radio Event:

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28452

Lawton teens spend the weekend on USS Batfish: Muskogee, OK - Kelsee Smith and Trevor Watts scan the airwaves for other ham radio operators. Their contact log shows they've been pretty busy. "I like the foreign ones the best," says Smith. "We talked to West England, Trevor got Africa, we got an airplane that was 38,000 feet over Arizona." Smith and Watts are two of ten students from Lawton Middle School's Viking Radio Club participating in Museum Ship's Weekend - an amateur radio event where operators try to contact as many museum ships as they can in two days. "We have several hundred contacts as least," says Justin Holder, one of the Ham Radio instructors with the group. "When the radio operators hear the young kids on the radio there's what we call a 'pile up' - several people trying to get in contact all at once."

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Ham Radio Volunteers Relay Messages During Emergencies:

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28451

EUGENE, Ore. -- Western Oregon counties have emergency plans in place in the event of a major catastrophe like an earthquake or tsunami. Part of the plan includes volunteers. Monday through Saturday, like clockwork, Bob Welfel checks his home weather station. His automated systems give rain totals and current temperatures, and it's fed into his ham shack. This is where he gives his daily report. Broadcasting via amateur radio is a hobby Welfel picked up 50 years ago. With his antennas, he can reach Alaska, Japan and even Australia. Reaching someone is relatively easy. You have to make sure you're on the same frequency and the person you are trying to reach is available at the same time. Matt Dillon is also an amateur radio operator as well as an instructor and engineer. While you might think new technology would render ham radios obsolete, Dillon say's that's not the case. "Amateur radio is a growing hobby. There are now over 704,000 amateurs," Dillon said.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #23 de K7RA:

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 03:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28450

Average daily sunspot numbers increased about 60% during the past week (May 31 through June 6), when compared to the previous seven days (May 24-30). The increase was 48.5 points, from 81.9 to 130.4. Average daily solar flux was up 18.6 points from 111.6 to 130.2.

944. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-10 01:28:54 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b58b0e7a-caa6-46a3-bb7f-557ced2593c4@oo8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2761

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
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945. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 9 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-10 02:32:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ff7f39b204c2150cf4@google.com>
Source record: 2762
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Field Day planned for amateur radio - Youngstown Vindicator

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 08:38 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGbMDjnI5RVzhcGrE8ft2n1_DfEww&url=http://www.vindy.com/news/2012/jun/09/field-day-planned-amateur-radio/?nw

Field Day planned for amateur radio
Youngstown Vindicator
The Western Reserve Amateur Radio Club will conduct its 2012 ARRL Field Day exercises beginning at 2 pm June 23 and 24 at Elser Airport, 10800 Sharott Road. Club members will join hams throughout Ohio and across the United States in this annual event.

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Amateur Radio at Cheltenham Science Festival - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 01:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEPOGYCynJeZ3l-KeZ15vzftZa39w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/amateur_radio_at_cheltenham_science_festival.htm

Amateur Radio at Cheltenham Science Festival
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association and the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society will be participating in a link up between GCHQ and Bletchley Park. The UK Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) and Bletchley Park will be joining forces and ...
Bletchley Park links up with The Times Cheltenham Science FestivalMilton Keynes Citizen
Science Fest lifts lid on code breaking heroicsThis is Gloucestershire

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PrintSat - An Amateur Radio 3D Printer CubeSat - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 01:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGRwqrtlTho4ozIfuGbyiAPZINkiQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/printsat.htm

PrintSat – An Amateur Radio 3D Printer CubeSat
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Students at Montana Sate University (MSU) are planning to build their new

amateur radio satellite PrintSat with nano-carbon-impregnated plastic using a 3D printer. David Klumpar KD7MFJ of MSU said 3D printing “will further lower the costs and speed the ...

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Hamilton County "Hams" to train during 24 hour "off-grid" field drill; Public ... - Indianapolis Star

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 05:27 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHXPp2T69F2ETDLnUF9JeIQ_J-lbw&url=http://newsfromyou.indystar.com/posts/hamilton-county-hams-to-train-during-24-hour-off-grid-field-drill-public-invited-to-participate-june-23-24

Hamilton County “Hams” to train during 24 hour "off-grid" field drill; Public ...
Indianapolis Star
WESTFIELD, Ind. (June 2012) – Federally licensed amateur radio operators from Westfield and across Hamilton County will join thousands of other “hams,” during a 24-hour field exercise to test their disaster wireless capabilities June 23-24 at Central ...
ARNewsline Report 1817 -- June 8 2012:eHam.net

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Amateur radio field day - Shore News Today

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 08:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEAvwha6wI-HBqRtfI2bQvAlRgCsw&url=http://www.shorenewstoday.com/snt/news/index.php/freetime/events/25764-amateur-radio-field-day-.html

Amateur radio field day
Shore News Today
The Cape May County Amateur Radio Club will demonstrate amateur radio 2-7 pm Saturday, June 23 and 9 am-2 pm Sunday, June 24 at the 4-H Fairgrounds, 355 Court House-South Dennis Road in Cape May Court House. All are welcome to see ham radios ...
Hamilton approves amended ban on driving with cell phonesKAJ18 Kalispell Montana News

all 5 news articles

946. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 10 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-10 11:08:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340f691443a504c21c4127@google.com>
Source record: 2763
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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International EME Conference to be held in Cambridge

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CCDDNw1Fpnc/international_eme_conference_to_be_held_in_cambridge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 15th International Earth-Moon-Earth (EME) Conference will be held at
Churchill College, Cambridge, between 15 and 19 August. It is hosted by the
UK Microwave Group

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SumbandilaSat recovery work continues

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DbBAEDm0Mxo/sumbandilasat_recovery_work_continues.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

SA AMSAT report on their website that there is still a recovery opportunity
for SumbandilaSat

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FRS application for IARU membership

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/px6kI1BXIyA/frs_application_for_iaru_membership.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Federation of Radiosport of Republic of Azerbaijan (FRS), founded 30
December 2001, has applied for IARU (International Amateur Radio Union)
membership

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More RTA date changes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pqqgSkg7sMY/more_rta_date_changes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League has had to make more changes to the dates of
the SARL Radio Technology in Action symposiums to overcome clashes with
other events

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Field Day - Two Weeks and Counting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Rty90hYcfm8/field_day_two_weeks_and_counting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO reminds you that
Field Day is now only TWO WEEKS away!

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Berlenga Island DXpedition video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EtTwy6NfREI/berlenga_island_dxpedition_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Oeste DX Gang and Algarve STAR DX team have posted this video of their
Berlenga Island DXpedition

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Status of ISS Ham Radio Operations

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tSc1LOtnygw/status_of_iss_ham_radio_operations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ISS Amateur Radio Project Engineer Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO reports the ARISS
digipeater has changed frequency from 145.825 MHz (up/down) to 437.550 MHz
(up/down). The same digi alias ARISS is still used

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HnXDZPnYKYY/june_10.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate
levels. There is a chance for M-class flares from Sunspot 1494

947. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 10 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-10 16:32:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ffd3829004c220c745@google.com>
Source record: 2764
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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1A0C 1A0X 1A0Z Sovereign Order of Malta

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 01:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349528-1A0C-1A0X-1A0Z-Sovereign-Order-of-Malta&goto=newpost

Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list. And an activation by an International team looks to celebrate the uniqueness of this event. So, from the 1st to the 4th July, we will listen them on the air as 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...rder-of-malta/

73 Al 4L5A

948. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 10th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-10 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120610200004.894D933C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2765
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 10th June 2012

Silent Key

The death has occurred of Jackie Buckley EI9EJ of Finuge, Lixnaw, Co. Kerry on Monday 4th June 2012. Jackie will be sadly missed by his radio friends in Co. Kerry and further afield. The Kerry Amateur Radio Group are deeply saddened by his passing. Ar dheis De go raibh a anam dilis.

Licence Examination Final Reminder

Next Thursday, June 14th is the closing date for entries to sit the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held in the ComReg Offices in Dublin on Thursday, 28th June at 2 p.m. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee on line are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line it is still necessary to complete and forward the application form. We wish all those sitting the examination the best of luck.

Change in 40 Metre News Frequency

The present 40 metre radio news frequency has become increasingly busier on Sunday mornings. This has lead on occasions to some difficulty in the reception of both the bulletins and the reports on the transmissions. It has been decided, therefore, to move the transmission of the 40 metre news to a new frequency of 7123 kHz on and from Sunday the 1st of July. This frequency was selected after monitoring a range of frequencies over a period of time by amateurs who use this particular transmission of the radio news bulletin.

Gene Zimmerman W3ZZ SK

Readers of QST will be sorry to hear of the death on Sunday last, 3rd June of Gene Zimmerman W3ZZ. Gene wrote the popular QST column 'The World Above 50 MHz' from 2002 to 2011. Over the years he worked more

than 140 DXCC entities on 6 metres, 38 States on 144 and 220 MHz and held the VHF/UHF Century Club (VUCC) on the 50 to 1296 MHz bands. Gene was first licensed in 1956 and held an Amateur Extra Licence since 1963. May he rest in peace.

CW Field Day

We heard just two EI stations participating in last weekend's CW Field Day - Shannon Basin Radio Club (call sign EI3Z/P) and Gerard EI5KF/P. Shannon Basin Radio Club operated from the grounds of Garbally College, Ballinasloe; they report that despite occasional generator and computer problems they achieved a very satisfactory result, with more than 900 QSOs in the log.

Gerard EI5KF operated from a site near Glocca Morra in the Kilworth Mountains, North Cork. He reports that the real contest was the weather, as he was operating from a tent in a night of wind and rain. With a modest set-up his log includes QSOs with DX stations in JA, VK, ZL, A6 and 9M among others. The principal support for this contest comes from IARU Region 1 countries: many other field day stations were active in the UK and in Germany, with smaller numbers in some other European countries including Switzerland, Ukraine, The Netherlands and France.

Radio-Frequency Identification

At a recent South Dublin Radio Club meeting, Daniel EI9FHB gave a talk on radio-frequency identification (RFID) - a system that uses radio-frequency electromagnetic fields to exchange data with travel cards, access cards and many other identification tags. He demonstrated some of the technology behind these systems and referred to some of the security weaknesses in them - these weaknesses being due in part to the ability to pick up very weak signals from a distance, an aspect of radio frequency propagation that would be familiar to many radio amateurs.

HAM CON

The Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference takes place Saturday 16th June /at/ Technology Education Centre, Omagh, BT78 1FA. Registration from 11am, Conference begins at 12 noon with John Breen EI7BV on "How did Amateurs get their bands: The VHF, UHF, SHF &EHF Bands" Further details at http://gn4oma.blogspot.co.uk

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OK1WC Memorial activity

This activity runs on the first 4 Mondays in the month (2m, 6m, 80m SSB, and 80m CW in turn), always from 16:00 to 17:00 UTC. There is no

need to work any specific country. Score on the VHF is based on QRB (1km=1 point) with no multipliers, on HF each QSO counts one point; multipliers are the last letters of the wkd stations suffixes. All details are included in rules at http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc/rules_en.txt.

DX News

Charles NK8O will be travelling to Tanzania this month on a work assignment and has been issued with the callsign 5H9CP. He prefers CW operation and will be active from 11 - 22 June. His QSL Manager is EA7FTR and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Vlad UA4WHX was recently active as E40VB from Palestine. He is now QRV again from Egypt and using the callsign SU9VB. Please read his QRZ.com page for up to date QSL information.

The rare DXCC entity of Mount Athos was heard recently on CW. The resident amateur Monk Apollo SV2ASP reports that his call was pirated on 24 April, 8 May and 17 May. He was however active on 17m CW on 26 May from 1130 - 1700z and on 27 May from 1030 - 2000z. Please check your logs.

To celebrate one hundred years of Amateur Radio in Queensland, Australia a special event callsign of VK100WIQ will be aired until the end of July. Various clubs in Queensland which are affiliated to the Wireless Institute of Australia will activate the special callsign during that period.

Fatima Shrine Activation

Members of the Amateur Radio Association of the District of Leiria (ARAL) will activate CS5FAT from its facilities in the Cova da Iria at the Shrine of Fatima in Portugal between June 10-13th

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Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

949. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1065

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-10 21:15:04 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <358090.4854.qm@smtp109.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2766
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1065
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1065

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1065
BID: $OPDX.1065
June 11, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)
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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, AB2E, W2NK, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KS5Z, AA6YQ, KH6BZF, AC7DX, N7US, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, Amateur Radio Newsline&#65533;, 1A0C, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1HYW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, LA9VDA, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, SV1DPI, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the
week of Sunday, 3rd-June, through Sunday, 10th-June, there were 213
countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S,
4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H,
9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2,
C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s,
E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG,
FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0,
HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JT,
JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE,
OH, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OZ, P2, P4, P5, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2,
S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR,
TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2M, VP2V,
VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS,
YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or
more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work
First Worry Later" (WFWL).
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1A, S.M.O.M. (Press Release #1): "Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list. And an activation by an International team looks to celebrate the uniqueness of this event. So, from the 1st to the

4th July, we will listen them on the air as 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta. The callsign that will be used belongs to the 'The Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps (CISOM)", an organization specialized in bringing assistance and relief during emergencies. This underscores the dual value of this activation. On the one hand, there's the fun side ham radio, giving a not so easy 'new one' to as many stations as possible (especially from the U.S. and Japan). On the other hand, however, there's the noble goal, as often seen in ham radio, where a spirit of cooperation and mutual aid are shared by operators all over the world. The team's aim, in fact, is to raise funds thanks to donations and contributions from QSL requests
in order to buy radio equipment which The Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps volunteers will be able to use in case of emergencies. The operators list includes: 1A0X, 1A0Z, EA2RY, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F5CWU, IN3ZNR, IT9YVO, IZ8IYX, PB2T, SP3DOI and KH6CG as a pilot for North America and Pacific. They will be active on HF+6m and the QSLs for contacts with 1A0C can be requested via Francesco Cozzi, 1A0Z. A website will be online soon, stay tuned! 73 de 1A0C"

2012 TOPBAND MOST WANTED SURVEY. This annual survey of 160 Meter DX needs is taken by Garry/NI6T and Larry/K8UT and is now available online at: http://survey.hamdocs.com/?sid389
Please submit your needs list between now and August 31, 2012. Modifications submitted after August 31, 2012, will be used for the following year's survey. The results for 2012-2013 will be available in September 2012. A link to the 2011 Topband Most Wanted Survey results is available at: http://www.k8ut.com/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId

5H, TANZANIA. Just a reminder that Chas, NK8O/VE3ISD, has traveled to Mwanza on Lake Victoria for several years working there but has never operated any amateur radio from Tanzania. Look for him for the first time to operate as 5H9CP between June 11-22nd. Chas states, "I am primarily a CW operator. QRP and straight key operators, please be ready! After fighting through pile-ups with my QRP station at home, I understand the challenges. The rig on this trip will be an Elecraft KX3 and antenna arrays will depend on the trees, how high I can get the ropes to go, and whether a dipole, loop, or vertical will be the best for the site from which I choose to operate. Times and frequencies will be published [QRZ.com] before my departure for Tanzania, but they definitely will not be written in stone. Operating times will depend entirely on my responsibilities and schedule at the Nyakato Health Center." QSL via NK8O.

9K2, KUWAIT (Special Event). Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active with the special callsign, 9K2KCBB, between June 13-15th. Activity is to celebrate "World Blood Donor Day" which is held on June 14th every year. See <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Blood_Donor_Day> or <http://www.who.int/worldblooddonorday/en/>. Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to 9K2RA.

A5, BHUTAN. The members of the FGC DX Group (Foundation for Global Children) are now QRT as A5A. The ClubLog shows as of 2308z, June 6th, the A5A team made 38068 QSOs with 14819 unique callsigns (20879/CW and 17189/SSB). Breakdown is: 337/AF, 6954/AS, 25273/EU, 4929/NA, 309/OC and 266/SA. QSL A5A via JH1AJT (see Web page for details). For more details and update, visit the A5A Web apge at: http://bhutan2012.com/index.php

A5, BHUTAN. Just a reminder (in case you did not work the A5A operation) that a JA team of operators are now active from a hotel (altitude 10,000 ft.) in Thimpu between now June 14th. Operators mentioned with their A5 callsigns are Shigeo/JA1JQY (A52JY), Nakayama/JA1KJW (A52KJ), Kaoru/ JA3MCA (A52MA), Akira/JK1EBA (A52BA) and Kunio/JA8VE (A52VE). Activity will be on 160-6 meters [with an emphasis on 6 meters] using CW, SSB and RTTY. A beacon will be on 50.125 MHz. QSL via their home callsigns.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
XX9E - Macao; 2012 Operation

DXER ARRESTED IN GREECE UPDATE! Amateur Radio Newsline reported an update this week, and that well-known DXer/World-Traveller Baldur Drobnika, DJ6SI, stated that "I wasn't charged with espionage. As a reason of my arrest it was stated that:
1. I performed radio traffic without the approval of the Greek authorities;
2. I owned transmitting equipment which enabled the reception of other frequencies;
To the accusation was later added an other point: I hindered the visualization of the content of my notebook."

Kostas, SV1DPI, also reported an update on June 9th, stating [edited]: "According to the RAAG's site, the Court decided yesterday (June 8th) that Baldur is innocent for the first accuse (operating his rig). According to the Court for the 2nd accuse (destroy of his computer and possible evidence of his activity), he was guilty. This second case will be examined again in the future, and I hope they get the right decision in the future. Baldur was, of course, in Germany (he left after the first judge) and only his lawyer was at the Court. My opinion is that what happened was by mistake in an island (Kos) very close to Turkey (the 2 coasts are only some meters far) where the Authorities were too suspicious... When Greek or foreign hams ask for special calls from the Islands which are too close to our borders, the Navy has been asked for approval. If Greece would like to have this policy for some of the islands, it should have signed the CEPT with the exception of these islands but we didn't. So everyone should have better knowledge of the laws and stop asking these papers in general because it has no sense. But unfortunately it seems that we have more important things to do during this time frame... All SV hams, we ask from Baldur to forgive our country for the bad behavior..."

EFC 2012 ON THE AIR. Look for many stations (and we do mean many - too many to list) from the Ukraine and Poland to be active during the "European Football Championship 2012" between now and July 5th. The on-the-air

activity by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs that are affiliated with PZK
and UARL will have numerous special event stations using the special
prefixes: Polish - 3Z2012, HF2012 and SN2012
Ukrainian - EM2012, EN2012 and EO2012.
The complete list of callsign can be found at:
http://sq2rh.idsl.pl/efc/index_en.php?go=They will be operating concurrently with the 2012 European Football Championship, which this year is organized jointly by Poland and Ukraine.
More detailed information about their activities can be found on the
"EFC 2012 on the AIR" Web site at: http://efc2012.pzk.org.pl
Activity will be on all the amateur bands. There are two awards which can
be earned during this period, as well as many interesting QSL cards and
prizes.

IOTA NEWS.....
AN-013. Henry, LU4DXU, reports that Juan Manuel, LU4ZS, is currently based and active from the Argentine Marambio station on Seymour Island. Activity has been on 80 and 40 meters, usually working his fellow Argentine stations. QSL via LU4DXU.

AS-008. Look for JA2MET to be active as JA2MET/1 from Mikura-jima, North Izu Islands (WW Loc. PM93TU), in the Philippine Sea and the Miyake Subprefecture of Tokyo Metropolis, between June 26th and July 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. Mikura-jima is also within the boundaries of the Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park (WFF JAFF-009). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-147. Taka, JA8COE, will be active as homecall/8 from Yagishiri Island between June 16-19th. Activity will be on the 40/20/17/15 meters using SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-032. Tim, ON5HC, will be active as F/OO5C/P from Ile d'Oleron during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ Low-Power/SSB entry. QSL via ON5HC.

EU-038. Ray, PE1GUR, will be active as PA6FUN from Ameland Island (WLOTA 1059, WW Loc. JO23VK) between July 30th and August 15th. Activity will be on 6 meters only (Watch Es, Ms and Tropo). QSL via PE1GUR, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-044/
EU-139. Operators Waldi/SP7IDX and Mek/SP7VC will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC from Mageroya Island (WW Locator KQ21VC) between June 20-29th. They plan to have 2 stations on the air - One on the HF bands and the second on 6 meters. Operations will be on 80-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. They will also be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Their equipment consist of a IC-746, TS480sat, w/Heil headsetHC6, and amps for HF and 6m, with the following antennas - HEX-BEAM by SP7IDX TECHNOLOGY 20-10m, R-7 vertical 20-10m, 6 element yagi for 6m and 2x Inverted L for 80-40m.,PA for HF and 6m. The software is

Win-Test sending QSOs to Clublog in real time and Mixw. During
their travel to Mageroya Island, there is a possibility to
activate Seskaro Island (EU-139) in the evening or at night
of June 19th and the next day June 20th, during the morning.
The QTH WW Locator is KP15VR and callsigns will be SM/SP7VC
and SM/SP7IDX. QSL via their home callsigns. The log will be
uploaded in LoTW. For more info, see:
http://sp7idx-hexbeam.eu
http://www.sp7vc.pl

EU-045. Operators Antonio/IZ8IQL, Giorgio/IZ8FAV, Sal/IZ8GGF, Carlo/
IZ0EGC, Giuseppe/IZ0GZW and Gianni/IW0BTN will be active as
IB0F from Ponza Island (IIA LT-001, MIA MI-076, WLOTA 1395)
in the Tyrrhenian Sea between July 23-31st. They will also
participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL
information TBA. Watch QRZ.com.

EU-056. Operators Glenn/LA8XRA and Trond/LA9VDA will be active as
LA6Q from Little Sand&#65533;y Island between August 13-17th. This
will be a first activation of the Sand&#65533;y Lighthouse (WLOTA
LH-2769). Activity will be on the 80-10 meters using CW, SSB
and RTTY. QSL via LA9VDA, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail
requests for Bureau cards can be sent to: la9vda [at] gmail
dot com). Trond states, "Thanks to W5BXX Dave for sponsoring
us."

EU-079. Operators Glenn/LA8XRA and Trond/LA9VDA will be active as
LA6Q from J&#65533;nsholmen (Jonsholmen) Island between August
10-13th. Activity will be on the 80-10 meters using CW, SSB
and RTTY. If they have time, he will make side trips to Dimna
Island (EU-079, WLOTA 2438) and Nerlands&#65533;y Island (EU-079,
WLOTA 2193). QSL via LA9VDA, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail
requests for Bureau cards can be sent to: la9vda [at] gmail
dot com). Trond states, "Thanks to W5BXX Dave for sponsoring
us."

EU-158. (Update) Operators Mike/SV1RK, Stavros/SV3CJU, Costas/SV1AER
and Gabriel/SV1GSV were expected to be active from Sapienza
Island (LH GRE116, WLOTA 1471, WW LOC KM06US) as J48SAI between
June 8-10th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters
using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via LoTW or via SV1RK, by the Bureau
or direct.

NA-067. Nathan, N4YDU, will be active as W4O from Ocracoke Island
between 2300z July 26th, and 1200z July 29th. He plans to
be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/
All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via N4YDU - Direct Only.

OC-128. Dandy, K6ZRH/DU1IMA, will be active as K6ZRH/DU1 from Palawan
Island (WLOTA 1612) between June 10-30th. Activity will be on
40/20/15 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

OC-170. (Op Needed!) members of the West OZ DX Group are planning a visit to Woody Island this year. The group is looking for keen operators to join them. The visit will likely occur in the southern spring, leaving Perth on a Thursday and returning on a Tuesday. If you are interested, please contact them at: Webmaster@westozdx.net
For update, watch: http://www.westozdx.net

SA-037. To celebrate Venezuelan Navy Day, members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5B from La Blanquilla Island between July 11-16th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, Satellites, FM and the Digital modes. QSL manager TBA.

J3, GRENADA (Is Still On!). Terry, KS5Z, is planning a 7 day stay in Grenada with the guidance of Harry, AC8G, for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). Interested operators should contact Terry via his E-mail address <ks5z@arrl.net> for additional information.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 11-17th)....
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Jun/12th AN Jun/15th AN Jun/17th HN
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH6, HAWAII. The Hawaii IOTA Club (KH6RRC) was born to explore and operate from "New-One IOTA" islands in Hawaii. Founding members are David/AH6HY, Merle/K5MT, Yuri/N3QQ, Dick/N7RO and Lanny/W5BOS. They welcome participation from interested parties in their planned expeditions and state, "73 and CU soon from KH6!". The provide a map on QRZ.com of all the Hawaiian archipelago, and also mention that the Papahanaumokua'kea Marine national monument spans the archipelago from Nihoa to Kure Atoll, it is one of the largest Marine Protected Areas in the world.

NEW AWARD FOR DXPEDITIONS. Dave, AA6YQ, reports [edited]: "The Cass Award encourages DXpeditions to maximize the number of DXers they work by annually presenting a 1000 USDs prize to the single-operator DXpedition that works the most unique callsigns within a 4-week interval. This award is named in honor of Cass, WA6AUD (SK), whose stories in the West Coast DX Bulletin taught a generation of DXers, that "DX IS"! The winner of the 2012 Cass Award will be announced in March 2013.
An 'unlimited' award category with a larger prize is under development for introduction in 2013. If you'd like to pledge a contribution, send

E-mail to <Contribution@CassAward.com>. To learn more, visit the Cass
Award Web site at: http://www.CassAward.com "

OG0/OH0, ALAND ISLANDS. Look for the following operators and callsigns to be
active from Aland Islands during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September
29-30th):
OG0Z - Raimo, OH3BHL, as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL
via W0MM.
OH0Z - Juha, OH9MM, as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL
via W0MM.
OH0I - Marko, OH8KVY, as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL
via OH3BHL.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 10th)

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3Z0LH via SP1PBW EG4ANA via EA4AUG R1150TV via R3ID
5B/KC9UUS via KC9UUS EH7MCB via EB7CVL SF0530COH via SM0PSO
9A209T via 9A9T EM4IFF via US5IQ SF2BRN via SA2BRN
A52BA via JK1EBA EN2012LTX via UR4LTX SN0WFF via SP5X
A52VE via JF1OCQ HA/DL2GK via DL2GK SN755BLONIE via
SP5KOG
AY8A via LU8ADX HG3R via HA3NU SV/OE2KMM via OE2KMM
CR6BWU via CT1BWU IF9/IK4YCQ via IK4YCQ SV8/PD0ARI via
PD0ARI
CT8/DK7LX via DK7LX II9AS via IT9JPW SX135HRC via SV1EOS
DA0LSW via DM3ZF J48SAI via SV1RK TM5BBC via F2UW
EA2/DL6ZFG/P via DL6ZFG KP4BD via NP3O UA4M via RN4LP
EA5/ON4CAU/P via ON4CAU LS1D via AC7DX V31IZ via JO1CRA
EA5HJY via EA7HBC LZ7S via LZ2HM YO3KIA via YO3JR
EA6/DK5IR via DK5IR LZ8E via LZ2BE YP0CD via YO5BFJ
ED3CW via EB3CW M3W via G4FAL YP1WFF via YO3JW
ED5ATK via EA5ATK OG1M via OH1VR YT2R via YU1AU
ED5FL via EA5FL OG8N via OH6CT YU0T via YU1WS
ED5HAB via EA5HAB OJ0MC via OH6MC ZP7/JE1LGY via
JE1LGY
ED5JC via EC5JC R3GOFF via R3GO ZQ2FX via G3RFX
ED5KB via EA5KB R55EPC via R9CBA ZZ190GOB via PT2OP
ED8DD via EA8DD R73EPC via RK3DSW
EG2DSF via EA2DGP R73GGGR via UA6MM
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

NEW MANAGER. Ron, AC7DX, is now the QSL Manager for LS1D effective
June 4th, 2012.

V26E LOGS ON LOTW. Darrell, AB2E (V26E), informs OPDX, "Just a note to
DXers, anyone who worked me for my end of May trip as V26E should be
able to find their QSLs in LoTW. I uploaded 5500+ QSOs today (both
general and contest QSOs), and already I see over 700 QSO matches.
Congratulations especially to 5 of the stations I worked w/100 watts

on 6M who show QSLed on LoTW. Of course, as always, any non-US stations desiring a regular QSL should send an SAE w/new IRC or 2 USDs for an immediate response (USA stations SASE is fine)."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7O6T, DH4JQ, J37T, KH7Y, MU0FAL, OK1DX, PJ4C, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PR2X, PY2NZ, TG7WW, VK2DX, VP5/KE1B, VP5/NE7D, XU7ACY and YV5OIE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0E, 3C6A, 3D2R, 3W2BB, 5N7M, 5V7V, 6H6IARU, C31CT, A35YZ, FW0NAP/P, FW0NAR, HK0NA, KG4WV, T88RF, TL0CW, V31WW, V73NS and ZA20QA

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9/G3TXF, 4K9W, 5R8HL, 9Q1EK, 9X0R, A6/DL9WVM, CT9/DL3KWR, DK4PL, DL1CA, DL7VKD, DL8LRZ/P, DL9GR, E44M, EA1CDV, EA8AOP, EK6TA, FJ/SM5FUG, FO0PT, FY/G3TXF, GM3MZX, HB9MGS, HC/SM6FKF, HD2M, IK8HJG, IN3NJB, IS0OFC, IZ0FVH, IZ0MQN, J73CCM, JA1KEV, JA4DND, JA5PJ, JA6ATL, JG2AJK, JH1BBS, JH3LSS, KB1SUA, KC0BMF, ON3LA, P29VCX, P29VLR, S59SV, SA4BFH, SV5/DJ5AA/P, T30AQ, T6MB, UX5IO, VU2ATV and WA3WZR

RUSSIAN IOTA, ARCTIC STATION, RRA and RFF OP. Operators Victor, RW0BG (RRC #869), and Igor Petlin, plan to travel along the Yenisei River to the North on the Yenisei River from Dudinka. They will start from Talnah in early July. Scheduled stops on the islands of the Yenisei River for the "Russian Robinson" program are: Kazan Island (RR-06-32), Mininskie Island (RR-06-33), Nikandrovskie Island (RR-06-34), Deryabinskie Island (RR-06-35) and the Island of Golchikha (RR-06-36). It is also planned to stop at the existing Sopochnaya hag Polar Station. Interest in the polar stations on the air is always great. The second phase of the expedition is the Kara Sea. They are planning to stop at Deer Islands (RR-06-06) and Shokalski (RR-06-05, IOTA AS-083, Gydansky Reserve RFF-030). If they have time, they will also work in the RSGB IOTA Contest. The third stage of their expedition is Ob Bay, and possibly stopping on the islands in the IOTA group AS-109; which they have not yet decided. Further possible stop in the Ob Bay are Chulym to Achinsk, moving to the city of Krasnoyarsk on a vehicle (~ 160 km). The final stage on the river Yenisey is a possible stop for a short activity at the Biosphere Reserve Tsentralnosibirsky (RFF-096) to Dudinka, then return in Talnakh.

SV9, CRETE. Luc, ON6DSL, will be active as SV9/ON6DSL/P from the Island of CRETE (EU-015) between August 27th and September 3rd. Activity will be a holiday style, a SOTA portable and SSB only operations, and using a FT817ND w/5w QRP into a multiband dipole. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the UBA Bureau.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Steve, G3ZVW (aka ZD8N and AF6SU), is now active as V73/AF6SU from the V73AX Kwajalein Amateur Radio Club (KARC) station on Kwajalein Island. Activity has been mainly on 20 meters CW. QSL via G3ZVW, direct or by the RSGB QSL Bureau. PLEASE - Do not send your cards via the U.S. callsign or address!

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Chuck, W4XP, will be active as VQ9XP from the VQ9X club station on Diego Garcia (AF-006) between August 9-25th. Activity will be limited to his spare time with a focus on 6 meters and some HF (160-10m) operations. QSL via his home callsign, direct or LoTW.

W3, UNITED STATES (Special Callsign). The Montgomery County (Maryland) Amateur Radio Club (MARC) will use the special callsign W3M during its Field Day operations on July 23-24th. The operation will take place from Davis Airport in northern Montgomery County, MD (FM19kf).

W9DXCC CONVENTION. Jim, N7US, reports: "The Northern Illinois DX Association invites you to join us at the 60th annual W9DXCC DX convention, to be held Friday and Saturday, September 14th and 15th, at the Holiday Inn in Elk Grove Village, IL.
New this year is a four session class, 'DXing from the Black Hole', preceding the convention, from 1-5 PM on Friday. Targeting beginning DXers, each session will cover a different aspect of DXing, including operating practices, station design, chasing awards, QSLing, and propagation from the Black Hole.
The convention kicks off at 7:30 Friday evening with registration/packet pick-up and an open bar, followed by a hospitality suite hosted by the Northern Illinois DX Association at 10 PM. Registration on Saturday starts at 8 AM, followed by the program at 9 AM.
Program highlights include HK0NA Malpelo Island by W0GJ, T32C Christmas Island by G3SVL, K9AJ's IOTA update, and propagation by K9LA. The CW copying contest is at 5 PM, followed by a reception and the banquet at 6:30 featuring noted DXer and contester Fred Laun, K3ZO. The audio/visual setup is top notch, making it easy to see and hear the programs.
A hospitality suite hosted by the Greater Milwaukee DX Association is at 10 PM.
The Holiday Inn is conveniently located just west of O'Hare International Airport and just off Interstate 90. The hotel offers a free airport shuttle and low room rates.
Complete convention details are available on the Web site at:
http://www.w9dxcc.com
NOTE: We will NOT be mailing flyers and registration forms this year. Please save a copy of this E-mail and register on the Web site. You can pay by check or PayPal for your convenience. Discounts will be available for those signing up for both the class and the convention and for registrations received by September 6th. We look forward to seeing you."

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE

OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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950. eHam.net News for Sunday 10 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-10 22:38:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9a95c7104c225e44b@google.com>
Source record: 2767
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hamvention Tour from HamRadioNow.tv

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28449

Average daily sunspot numbers increased about 60% during the past
week (May 31 through June 6), when compared to the previous seven
days (May 24-30). The increase was 48.5 points, from 81.9 to 130.4.
Average daily solar flux was up 18.6 points from 111.6 to 130.2.

951. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 10 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-11 05:47:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934100173fe5e04c228d2f2@google.com>
Source record: 2768
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio Operators 'Ham' It Up in Beckley - WVNS-TV

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE3I4OcEvM4PN8tTJT_RbVwrF2U5A&url=http://www.wvnstv.com/story/18750837/radio-operators-ham-it-up-in-beckley

Radio Operators Ham It Up in Beckley
WVNS-TV
Nearly two dozen vendors were set up for the operators, as well as door prizes and Ham Radio certification courses. Ham Radio operator John Hymes says the event brings these amateur operators closer together. "Basically its a big flee market for ...

and more

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Ham Radio Operators Monitor OC Wheelmen's 'Ride Around the Bear' - Patch.com

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 08:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHjblk3UGACa7cVPGjaTvz__eJUxA&url=http://redlands.patch.com/articles/ham-radio-operators-monitor-oc-wheelmen-s-100-mile-ride-around-the-bear

Ham Radio Operators Monitor OC Wheelmens Ride Around the Bear
Patch.com
By Guy McCarthy Jeff Sabitini of Redlands, a ham radio volunteer with San Bernardino County in Mill Creek Canyon on Saturday June 9, 2012. Redlands-Loma Linda Patch photo by Guy McCarthy. Ham radio volunteers with San Bernardino County helped monitor ...

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Amateur radio field day June 23-24 - Shore News Today

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 10:06 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEVm18MZfFgF0o4bJWxr6piZLcUow&url=http://www.shorenewstoday.com/snt/news/index.php/cape-may-county/25679-amateur-radio-field-day-june-23-24.html

Amateur radio field day June 23-24
Shore News Today
CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE – The Cape May County Amateur Radio Club will demonstrate amateur radio at the 4-H Fairgrounds Saturday and Sunday, June 23-24. People are invited to see ham radios capabilities and learn how to

get a Federal Communications ...
Radio operators to sponsor Field DayYoungstown Vindicator
Field Day - Two Weeks and CountingSouthgate Amateur Radio Club

all 4 news articles

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Evolution of a Thunderstorm - NECN

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 06:18 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE5wOdePFOpxKRjfNhses_cD_sxAg&url=http://www.necn.com/06/10/12/bTim-Kelley-bEvolution-of-a-Thunderstorm/landing_weathernewengland.html?blockID%3D722574%26feedID%3D6239

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Evolution of a Thunderstorm
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0517 PM LIGHTNING SOMERVILLE 42.39N 71.10W 06/08/2012 MIDDLESEX MA AMATEUR RADIO HOUSE HIT BY LIGHTING WITH ROOF ON FIRE 0523 PM HAIL DORCHESTER 42.28N 71.08W 06/08/2012 M0.75 INCH SUFFOLK MA AMATEUR RADIO AMATEUR RADIO 0528 PM TSTM WND DMG SOMERVILLE ...

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Ham Radio Volunteers Relay Messages During Emergencies - KEZI TV

Posted: 07 Jun 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHH1gpLL3i2LhwVxppxQwhML73uVQ&url=http://kezi.com/news/local/248374

KEZI TV
Ham Radio Volunteers Relay Messages During Emergencies
KEZI TV
His automated systems give rain totals and current temperatures, and its fed into his ham shack. This is where he gives his daily report. Broadcasting via amateur radio is a hobby Welfel picked up 50 years ago. With his antennas, he can reach Alaska, ...

952. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-032E - New ARES merchandise now available at theRAC Online Store - Cafepress

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-11 05:48:12 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FD55CA7.70907@rac.ca>
Source record: 2769
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

*RAC Bulletin 2012-032E - New ARES merchandise now available at the
RAC Online Store - Cafepress*
2012-06-10

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Following a review of how we distribute ARES merchandise, and to whom,
I am very happy to advise that there are now many new items available
through the RAC Online Store - Cafepress. Why not have a look
athttp://www.cafepress.rac/ca_radio.

Items that fall under the heading "credentials or identification" will
only be available from the Chief Field Services Officer. In making
this announcement I would like to acknowledge the work of our Office
Coordinator Frank at our HQ in Ottawa in having this merchandise
designed and added to our store. Thanks Frank!

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

953. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 11 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-11 11:07:55 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93411b554469e04c2305cd2@google.com>
Source record: 2770
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Auburn students successfully command AubieSat-1

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nrrlj_pjQME/auburn_students_successfully_command_aubiesat1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

John Klingelhoeffer, WB4LNM, AubieSat-1 Technical Mentor at Auburn
University Alabama reports that the satellite has been successfully
commanded to change the transmission mode

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Germany gains 1331 callsigns in 2011

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kWscFf9uM-g/germany_gains_1331_callsigns_in_2011.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The German telecommunications regulator the Federal Network Agency have
released their report for 2011 part of which covers amateur radio

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dgRVfwnp5Lk/dxcc_report_1106.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
3rd-June, through Sunday, 10th-June, there were 213 countries active

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Sporadic E on 2m FM video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q_AltcYXeTM/sporadic_e_on_2m_fm_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sporadic E season has been producing spectacular results in the amateur
radio 2m band

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2E6XehYAqm0/wca_1106.htm?utm_source=fee

dburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW has news of three more current operations for the World
Castles Award program

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CO6CBF in Cuba via amateur radio satellite SO-50

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YwrZyxC5i_U/co6cbf_in_cuba_via_amateur_
radio_satellite_so50.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sebastian Westerhold KF5OBS has released a video of his amateur radio
satellite contact with Hector CO6CBF in Cuba

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7PosQZyWIXQ/june_11.htm?utm_source=feed
burner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Sovereign Military Order of Malta

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yEdsSwDzx-4/sovereign_military_order_of
_malta.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list, and an
activation by an International team looks to celebrate the uniqueness of
this event

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Ham Song - Solid State Rage

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tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solid State Rage is written and performed by Dan Taverne KE5UTN

954. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 10th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-11 12:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120611120003.81B3633C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2771
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 10th June 2012

The news headlines:

* International EME Conference approaches

* Celebrating wartime codebreaking

* German amateur arrested in Greece

The 15th international EME conference is being held at Churchill College, Cambridge, between 15 and 19 August. it is hosted by the UK Microwave Group. This is the first time that this conference has been held in the UK, and it provides an opportunity to learn about this most technically challenging aspect of our great science-based hobby. In addition to EME- specific lectures there will be presentations on radio astronomy and deep space communications, as both these subjects have much in common with EME. Two Nobel Physics Laureates from the world of radio astronomy will be present at the conference. Joe Taylor, K1JT, is a keen EME enthusiast and will be presenting a paper on MAP65, while fellow-Laureate Professor Antony Hewish FRS is the speaker at the conference gala dinner on Saturday 18th. With over 150 delegates and 60 partners from 5 continents already registered, this promises to be a great event. All those wishing to attend must pre register for this conference before 1st August. Day passes and a range of accommodation packages from one to four nights are available. See www.eme2012.com for full details.

GCHQ and Bletchley Park will be joining forces and inviting the public to take part in a unique recreation of the wartime codebreaking process at this year's Times Cheltenham Science Festival from 12 to 17 June. These activities will form part of the celebrations marking the centenary of the birth of Alan Turing. For the first time, members of the public will be invited to encrypt a message on one of GCHQ's Enigma machines at the Town Hall, before it is sent to Bletchley Park, home of the wartime codebreakers. Once at Bletchley Park, the message will be decrypted with the help of the Turing Bombe Rebuild and the decoded message `tweeted' back. The whole event will be live and interactive using a two-way Skype videoconference, ensuring that members of the public in both Cheltenham and Bletchley Park can see every part of the encryption/decryption process.

Further interest will be added over the weekend of 16 and 17 June, when the Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association will transmit the encrypted

messages in Morse code to Bletchley Park using the call sign GB5AMT. Sending an encrypted message has been uniquely approved by Ofcom for this special event station. The messages will be received at GB2BP, operated by members of the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society. The messages received by each station will then be compared and collated at a central point, then fed into the Bombe machine in Block B at Bletchley Park.

You will find the Cheltenham ARA station in Imperial Gardens, Cheltenham, or can contact them by calling GB5CSF on 40m. Milton Keynes ARS, at Bletchley Park, will be using two or three receiving stations, in order to more closely recreate the reception conditions during the war.

On 30 June and 1 July, Milton Keynes ARS will be further commemorating Alan Turing's work by using the callsign GB2AMT from the green outside the Mansion at Bletchley Park. MKARS were regional winners of the RSGB Club of the year and runners up in the National competition for 2011.

Last week, news reports came out from Greece that Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI, had been arrested on the Greek island of Kos. He was reportedly taken into custody for the crime of espionage, which was quickly reduced to operating amateur radio equipment. This came about even though both Greece and Germany are both signatories to the CEPT pan-European Amateur Radio licensing agreement. The Radio Amateur Association of Greece are concerned that public

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 11 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. services and institutions, particularly the police, have not been informed properly about amateur radio. DJ6SI has since returned home and is awaiting a further trip to Greece for trial.

Oldham Amateur Radio Club will be holding an ARDF event on 30 June at Strinesdale Moor. Registration will be from 10am. For further information please contact Phil Ellis, M0GIE, by email to philipus@ntlworld.com. Alternatively, visit the club web site at www.oarc.org.uk.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 11th Junction 28 QRP Rally will take place today, 10 June, at Alfreton Leisure Centre, Church Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire DE55 7BD. The event is organised by the South Normanton Alfreton and District Amateur Radio Club in association with the G-QRP Club. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2.50. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and catering facilities. More from Russell Bradley, G0OKD, on 01773 783 658.

HAM CON, the Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference, will take place on Saturday 16 June at the Technology Education Centre, Omagh BT78 1FA. Registration is from 11am. The Conference begins at 12 noon with John

Breen, EI7BV on How did Amateurs get their bands: The VHF, UHF, SHF & EHF Bands. Further details at http://gn4oma.blogspot.co.uk.

The 25th Newbury Radio Rally and Boot Sale will be held on 17 June at the Newbury Showground, next to M4 Junction 13. Doors open at 9am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and a demonstration marquee with display of amateur radio on air.

Now for the news of special events

Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society will be putting GB0BON on the air on 16 and 17 June at Rupert's Viewpoint. It will be the 367th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby and the third anniversary of GB0BON. This year they will be specifically inviting young people from both local youth groups and local schools to visit the station and see an amateur radio field day setup in operation.

Eddie, G0VVT will be operating from Belleek Pottery Museum under the call of GB0BPM on 16 and 17 June for Museums on the Air.

Reading and District Amateur Radio Club will be taking part in Museums on the Air on 16 and 17 June from the Museum of Berkshire Aviation, Woodley, using the callsign GB2MBA. They plan to use mainly 80m, 40m and 20m. Visitors are welcome.

On 17 June, the Radio club of Binche will activate the Special Event Station ON44WAR from the historical place of Br£ly- de-Pesches in Belgium in order to commemorate the Belgian Resistance. Activity will be from 9am to 5pm local time. Full details on their website, www.on7ry.be.

The Kent Weald Radio Club will be holding a field event at Headcorn Airfield, Kent, TN17 9HX, from 15 to 24 June. This activity will encompass the two Museums on the Air weekends. Using the callsign of GB1HA, the station will use HF, VHF & UHF bands. Visitors are welcome to call in to see the operation.

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Pat, F4EBT will be travelling in the French Polynesia area of the Pacific until 24 June. He is using the callsign FO/F4EBT from at least two different islands in the IOTA OC-046 group and at least four different islands in the IOTA OC-067 group. QSLs go via his home call or via the French bureau.

VP2MDD will be on the air from Montserrat. Graham, M0AEP will be on the island from 7 June until 6 August. He will concentrate on 12, 10 and 6m.

Chas, NK8O is working at Mwanza on Lake Victoria, Tanzania and plans to be active as 5H3CP from 11 to 22 June. Activity will be in his spare

time with QRP power on various HF bands using CW. QSL to his home call.

Dandy, K6ZRH will be on the air as K6ZRH/DU1 from Palawan Island, Philippines, IOTA OC-128, from June 10 to 30. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 15 meters using SSB. QSL direct to his home call.

John, K9EL is on the air as FS/K9EL from St Martin until 24 June. Activity is holiday style on 6 to 80m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL to his home call.

Now the contest news

The 24 hour French DDFM 6m Contest finishes at 1600UTC today, 10 June. The exchange is signal report, serial number and the first four digits of your Locator.

Today, Sunday 10th, the Practical Wireless 2m Low Power Contest runs for seven hours. The maximum permitted power for this event is 3 watts and the scoring is 1 point per contact, multiplied by the total number of Locator squares worked. Running from 0900 to 1600UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The final event for today, 10 June, is the second 144MHz Backpackers contest. Running from 0900 to 1300UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 12 June the 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The CW leg of the 80m Club Championships takes place on 13 June from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 50MHz Trophy takes place on 16 and 17 June from 1400 to 1400UTC. Invariably there are numerous portable stations active and, with the event taking place in the peak of the Sporadic-E season, the chance of working DX at some point during the 24 hours is high. Using all modes the exchanges is signal report, serial number and locator.

The IRTS 80 Counties Contest takes place on 17 June from 1400 to 1700UTC. Using SSB and CW, the exchange is signal report and serial number. EI and GI stations also give their county.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 11 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. The Worked All Britain 50MHz phone contest takes place on Sunday 17 June from 0900 to 1500UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website, www.worked-all-Britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, by email to aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 1st to Thursday the 7th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 8th of June.

Eight new sunspot regions emerged during the period. Most were small and some have already decayed and disappeared. Solar activity was mostly low but on the 3rd and the 6th activity increased to moderate levels when a single M class solar flare took place. Several coronal mass ejections occurred but most did not head our way. Solar flux levels increased from 129 units on the 1st and the 2nd to 140 by the 6th. The average was 132 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 7th was 117 units, that's the same level as last week. X-ray flux levels showed a slight increase, and by the end of the period were up to B6 units. The average was B4.8 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but, as forecast, a coronal hole disturbance arrived during the 3rd and lasted till the 6th. The most disturbed day was the 3rd, with an Ap index of 26 units. The average was Ap 15 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second on the 3rd to 780 by the 6th. Speeds then declined to 590 by the end of the 7th. Particle densities were high for several days from the 1st and reached 57 particles per cubic centimetre on the 4th. Densities then declined to only one particle per cubic centimetre by the 7th. Bz varied between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 15 and plus 12 nanoTeslas on the 3rd, which was the most disturbed day. For much of the week increased geomagnetic levels depressed HF MUFs, which fell below 20MHz on several days. VHF radio aurora occurred on the 2nd through to the 6th, though, at best it appears to have been workable only from areas north of the central belt of Scotland.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the quieter side of the Sun is expected to rotate into view. Saying that, solar activity could increase to moderate levels on the occasional day. However, activity should be at low levels on most days. Solar flux levels are expected to decline and be around the 110 mark by next weekend. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet, however, if an Earth directed coronal mass ejection takes place then activity would increase. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 14MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 29MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1500 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days. Openings up to 144MHz are possible. Historically, the coming couple of weeks normally prove to be the best time for openings on 144MHz, though, they can take place until August but at a lower rate of occurrence.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

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and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. South Birmingham Radio Society will be at the Alfreton QRP Radio rally on Sunday 10 June. Monday sees them getting ready for VHF NFD, while on Tuesday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Shack and aerial work is on Friday, then on Sunday 17th the club is visiting the Newbury Radio Rally. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603, for more information.

Wythall Radio Club is at the J28 QRP Rally on Sunday 10 June. There's a mock Intermediate exam on Monday and a committee meeting on Tuesday. On Saturday 16th the club starts operating its weekend special event at Wythall Transport Museum. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 432MHz UK AC on Tuesday. Wednesday sees G6COL on the air from the shack plus a quiz and social night at the BSA club. Thursday sees the club simplex net on 145.375MHz from 8pm. On Saturday 9 June there's the surgery in the shack from 9am, plus the start of the weekend Museums on the Air event from 10am at East Kirkby. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on SOTA by 2E0CHV/G8XYJ/M6BAF, then on Sunday 17 June it's the 6m Trophy on the Long Mynd with G0UFE in charge. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 11 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a picnic and operating in the field. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 11 June Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having an introduction to antenna modelling on a PC by Clive, G0CHO. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 12 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 12 June Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on the 2011 DXpedition to Christmas Island by Nick, G3FAL. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday 12 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club turns to valves again with Andrew, G7SEG. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 12 June Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 13 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 13 June South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on oscillators and waveform generators by M0CVO. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Friday 15 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having a VHF and course planning night. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 11 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Friday 15 June Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society has its annual G4RPS Memorial Trophy fox hunt. New rules are in course of discussion. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

On Saturday 16 June Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association commences its weekend event, operating GB5CSF at Cheltenham Science Festival. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Saturday 16 June Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event, operating GB2BON at Rupert's Viewpoint for the Battle of Naesby. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Sunday 10 June Denby Dale Radio Club is taking part in the 1940's weekend at Thwaite Mills, Leeds. On Wednesday there's a club net on 145.575MHz. Saturday 16th sees the club commence operating GB2TMI for Museums Weekend. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is planning for VHF Field Day and holding its summer quiz on Monday. On Wednesday they are taking part in the RSGB 80m Contest CW from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday, Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk and demo on SSTV by Andy, 2E0MBQ. The Intermediate and Advanced Licence courses continue from 13:30 on Saturday. Contact Ken, G8FSO, by email to g8fso@wdrs.org.uk.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 11 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 11 June Bolton Wireless Club is watching an HF DXpedition video presentation with Gerry, G1SWH. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Tuesday 12 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 12 June Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a fox hunt with Brian Reid. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 13 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Club Contest CW. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 14 June Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 14 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is preparing for Sale Festival. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 15 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is holding a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 15 June Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is holding Morse tuition putting G0NWM on the air. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Saturday 16 June Otley Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event for the 50MHz Trophy Contest. Details from Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Sunday 17 June Durham and District Amateur Radio Society will be operating GX4WAB on behalf of Worked All Britain to celebrate the Olympic Torch being in Durham. Details from David Barclay, on 0191 3888 113.

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Saturday 16 June the West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club HAM CON conference takes place at the Technology Education Centre, 2 Spillers Place, Omagh BT78 1FA. Doors open at 11am for the noon start. A number of high profile amateurs will be speaking on a diverse range of subjects. Details from Philip, MI0MSO, on 07793 386 795, or online at http://gn4oma.blogspot.co.uk.

On Saturday 16 June members of the Enniskillen Amateur Radio Society will be taking part in the local 10k, hoping to raise funds for charity. Details are online at www.earsni.co.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Practical Wireless 144MHz QRP Contest on Sunday 10th. On Saturday 16th they commence their Museums on the Air weekend event, operating GB2MOF at the Museum of Flight, East Fortune. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Monday 11 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is involved with two Olympic Torch Worked All Britain GS4WAB Special events this week. On

Monday they will be operating at Corgarff and on Tuesday it's Walker Park, Aberdeen. On Thursday 14th they are holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

Glenrothes & DRC is preparing for the club outdoor activities on Wednesday. On Saturday 16th they commence their weekend event for Museums on the Air from Scotland's Secret Bunker. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday 12 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 13 June Lothians Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Andy Sinclair, by email to secretary@lothiansradiosociety.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Practical Wireless QRP contest on Sunday 10th. On Wednesday they are taking part in the 80m Club Championships CW and having a discussion evening. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a 80m CW net 3.570MHz from 1pm on Monday, followed by a 2m net on 144.675MHz at 8pm. On Wednesday there's a natter night, then on Friday it's the Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8pm. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting on Monday. On Thursday there is a talk by Stewart, G3RXQ, entitled "I heard that pardon!". Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday. On Wednesday they're taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship CW alongside an informal meeting, Bright Sparks, plus the shack and workshop are open. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net from 8.30pm on Tuesday, followed by a committee meeting on Wednesday. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

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Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 11 June Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding a micro-DF hunt, organised by Dennis, M0NDJ. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 11 June Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Dave, G8PUO on PCs and logic. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424

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On Monday 11 June Surrey Radio Contact Club has its construction contest. Contact John, G3MCX, on 020 8688 3322.

On Monday 11 June West Kent Amateur Radio Society is being given an insight to astronomy by Brian, G7THJ. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 12 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. Contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 12 June Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the T32C DXpedition by Don, G3XTT. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 12 June South Essex Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Dave, G4UVJ on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday 13 June Darenth Valley Radio Society Radio is on the air and having a natter night. Details from Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday 13 June Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group invites club members to speak about their other hobbies. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday 13 June Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the early pioneers of radio by David Sharp, M0XDS. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Thursday 14 June Edgware & District Radio Society is having a surplus equipment and junk sale. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 14 June Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is having a natter night. Details from Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 14 June Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 14 June Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the new multi-band mobile phones by Trevor Gill, G8IBO. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 14 June Vange ARS is watching the Historic Southend DVD. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 15 June Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a DX University session with Roger Western, G3SXW. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 16 June Bittern DX Group commences its weekend event, operating GB2OH at Oxburgh Hall for CASHOTA. Details from Linda, G0AJJ,

on 01692 404 154.

On Saturday 16 June Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event special event station GB0RMM from the Royal Marines Museum, Eastney, Portsmouth. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event at North Weald Airfield. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

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On Sunday 17 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is running the Newbury Radio Rally. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Sunday 17 June Radio Society of Harrow is at Old Redding, operating GX3EFX/P. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Exeter Amateur Radio Society is looking at ham radio construction for under a fiver on Monday from 8pm at the Moose Centre. The 2m club net is on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a table top sale on Thursday. On Saturday 16 June they commence their International Museums on the Air weekend event. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 11 June Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a Morse class & natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 12 June Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Somerset Kits and QRP by Tim Walford, G3PCJ. Details from Nick, 2E0FGQ, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 12 June Plymouth Radio Club is having a natter night and is on the air. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Tuesday 12 June Poldhu Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Titanic cruise by Cliff, G3UYN. Details from Keith Matthew, G0WYS, by email to vickeith@globalnet.co.uk.

On Wednesday 13 June Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 14 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES On Sunday 10 June Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is at Aberystwyth Cliff Railway Open Day, running public demos from 11.00, then on Sunday 17th they have an open night. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Thursday 14 June Marches Amateur Radio Society will be visiting the Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker for a curator-guided tour. Everyone is to meet at 18:30 at the Black Park Community Centre to allow time to travel. Anyone is welcome to come along. The cost is £10 per person. More information is online at www.marchesradiosociety.org.

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955. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 04 - 10 June 2012

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
04 - 10 June 2012

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels during the period. Low
levels were observed at the beginning of the period with Region 1499
(N16, L=184 class/area Cao/060 on 09 June) responsible for a
majority of the C-class x-ray activity. An increase to moderate
levels was observed on 06 June as Region 1494 (S18, L=199 class/area
Cso/160 on 06 June) produced an M2/1b x-ray flare at 2006 UTC.
Associated with this event were both Type II (estimated shock speed
of 1148 km/s) and Type IV radio sweep signatures. Location of Region
1494 on 06 June and LASCO imagery suggested part of this coronal
mass ejction (CME) would be Earth directed. From 07-08 June, solar
activity returned to low levels. From 09-10 June, a return to
moderate levels was observed as new Region 1504 (S18, L=89
class/area Dai/120 on 10 June) dominated the visible disk in total
area and solar activity producing three M-class x-ray events. The
three M-class events that Region 1504 was responsible for were an
optically uncorrelated M1 event at 09/1132 UTC, the second event was
another M1/Sf at 09/1653 UTC, and finally another optically
uncorrelated M1 event on 10/0645 UTC.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to high flux levels during the period. The period started at
normal background levels from 04-05 June, then at high levels for
the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels with
isolated major storm periods observed at high latitudes. For a
majority of the summary period, Earth was under the influence of a
favorable positioned coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Early
on 04 June, solar wind speeds, as measured by the ACE spacecraft,
hovered around 350 km/s. Around midday on 04 June, solar wind speeds
increased to almost 650 km/s as a CH HSS arrived. This increase in
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solar wind speeds helped drive the geomagnetic field from quiet to active levels with isolated major storm periods observed at high latitudes through 05 June. Predominantly quiet to unsettled levels prevailed from 06-09 June as effects from the CH HSS waned. A return to quiet levels was observed on 10 June as solar wind speeds returned to normal background levels. On 08 and 10 June, small changes were observed in data from the ACE spacecraft indicating the possible arrival of a weak, partially Earth-directed CMEs, however very little if any correlating activity was attributed to these arrivals.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
11 June - 07 July 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels from 11 June - 21 June as Region 1504 rotates across the solar disk. A return to predominantly low levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 11-12 June, 20-25 June and then from 03 July through the end the period. Normal to background levels are expected for all other time periods.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominantly quiet levels from 11-17 June, 21-30 June and 04 July through the end of the period. From 18-19 June and 01-03 July, quiet to active levels are expected due to the CH HSS effects.

956. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 11 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Memorial Day of British S.S. Transylvania torpedoed in front of the Isle of Bergeggi

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 04:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349751-Memorial-Day-of-British-S-S-Transylvania-torpedoed-in-front-of-the-Isle-of-Bergeggi&goto=newpost

Savona 16th ☐ 17th June 2012

SS TRANSYLVANIA technical characteristics:

Launched 23rd May, 1915

Tonnage: 14,348 grt

Propulsion: two steam turbines Pearsons, eight steam boilers, twin screw.

Length: 548.3 feet /167.1 m

Breadth: 66.6 feet / 20.3 m

Draught: 42 feet /13.3 m

Speed: 17,5 knots /32.4 Kmh

The historical event

S.S. Transylvania was a luxury passenger liner built in 1914 by Scott☐s Shipbuilding Company, Greenock (Port Glasgow). At the beginning of World War I, the Transylvania was taken over by the Royal Navy for service as a troop transport on completion. On May 3rd, 1917 the Transylvania sailed from Marseille (France) escorted by the two Japanese destroyers Matsu and Sakaki. She was carrying more than 3000 passengers among crew members, soldiers and nurses, all directed to Alessandria (Egypt). At about 10 a.m. on May, 4th 1917 the ship was on her course in front of the Isle of Bergeggi, two miles south off the Coast of Cape Vado, when she was hit by two torpedoes fired by the German UB63 under the command of Lieutenant Otto Schultze and sank. The two escort ships immediately came to the rescue but there was a strong south-westward current. Many shipwrecks were rescued by local fishermen, off the coast of Finale Ligure and Noli who received a silver medal by the British Government.

The victims were 407 in all, 86 of which were buried in the town cemetery in Zinola. A marble memorial (Cross of Pradani) has been erected on the rocks in front of the area, in honour of the many who died in the shipwreck.

The finding of the wreckage.

On October 7th 2011, after 94 years from the sinking, the Carabinieri Divers☐ Corp of Genoa in collaboration with Gaymarine of Lomazzo (Como) with the aid of Pluto, a small submarine vehicle of the Italian Navy, found the wreck of Transylvania at a depth of 630 metres, two and a half miles off the coast of the Isle of Bergeggi, Savona.

ShipRadio Memorial

On the 95th anniversary of the sinking of the S.S. Transylvania, the local Section of Radio Amateur Association wants to celebrate the victims of this tragic event.

From 07.00 a.m. GMT of June 16th , to 07.00 p.m. GMT of 17th a radio station is being activated with the call sign

IQ1SV

☐Special Event☐

released to Savona A.R.I. Section by the Ministero dello Sviluppo Economico ☐ Telecomunicazioni.

The radio station will work from two different locations:

- a fixed station located in Saint Elena☐s Fort on the heights of the town of Bergeggi, 385 metres over the sea level, looking on to the area of the sinking.

- a mobile maritime station located on the G.P.S. coordinates of the wreck.

The multi operator station will work on 10 ☐ 15 ☐ 20 ☐ 40 ☐ 80 ☐ 160 meters with CW, phone and digital PSK31 emissions.

Each contact will be confirmed with a special commemorative QSL (QSL manager IQ1SV via Association or direct with IRC c/o P.O. box 133 ☐ 17100 SV ☐ Italy).

A.R.M.I. (Italian Radio Amateur Association) and I.N.O.R.C. (Italian Naval Old Rhythmers Club) will participate to this radio memorial as operators along with the A.R.I. Section of Savona.

The event will be carried out with the agreement of:

Lega Navale Italiana, Port Authority of Savona, C.U.L.P. (Port Workers of Savona) and the Municipalities that gave help and assistance to the shipwrecks.

On June 16th a wreath will be laid at sea. All the maritime authorities are invited to this ceremony.

Attached Images

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W5A - Amelia Earhart Last Flight Commemoration

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 07:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349720-W5A-Amelia-Earhart-Last-Flight-Commemoration&goto=newpost

Led by KB5YLG and sponsored by Tri-County Amateur Radio Club of North Texas WC5C, the W5A operation will be QRV Weekends all day, and evenings during the work week. Operators will include KE5NCS, KE5SCG, KG5OA and others, in a truly back yard operation, June 24 - Jul 7, 2012.

Amelia Earhart's last flight departed Lae, New Guinea, on July 2, 1937. 2012 is the 75th anniversary. There are four prevailing theories of her demise, (1) that she was lost at sea after running out of fuel. (2) that she landed in the Marshall Islands and survived, taking on a new identity and surviving to old age in New Jersey, (3) that she landed in Saipan or neighboring island and was executed by the Japanese in Saipan, and (4) that she and navigator Fred J. Noonan made an emergency landing on Gardner Island (now Nikumaroro), and survived days or weeks before succumbing to the elements.

One of the amazing things to consider is how no in situ test has ever been made of the pre and post loss radio messages. Much data was collected at the time of the disappearance, and that data has been evaluated and analyzed repeatedly, but no one has ever tested. Was her loss one that could have bdeen prevented as simply as paying close attention to the communications?

Well, here's to the memory of beautiful American personality, and the 75th anniversary of her disappearance. May she rest in peace, and may the truth be know.

QSL Cards and original art certificates offered, $2 to cover cost.

This special even operation will be conducted with an antenna modeled after the antenna atop her Lockheed Electra L-10E, and will be SSB and CW, and 50 watts, as was her power level operating AM and CW in 1937.

The logged data will help establish a baseline data set for comparison purposes in future studies.

Regards and 73!

David KB5YLG

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KH6BB - USS Missouri Battleship on the air

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 06:38 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349708-KH6BB-USS-Missouri-Battleship-on-the-air&goto=

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I had a QSO tonight on 21.305 with KH6BB, the club call for the USS Missouri Battleship which is moored on Pearl Harbor's historic Battleship Row

KB5UBI/AG

957. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 11 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-11 16:29:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341277450cba04c234d852@google.com>
Source record: 2774
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Auburn students successfully command AubieSat-1

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 01:50 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349738-Auburn-students-successfully-command-AubieSat-1&goto=newpost

Auburn students successfully command AubieSat-1

John Klingelhoeffer, WB4LNM, AubieSat-1 Technical Mentor at Auburn University Alabama reports that the satellite has been successfully commanded to change the transmission mode.

On the AMSAT Bulletin Board John says ☐A short message was received Saturday evening indicating that uplink commands sent to AubieSat-1 were properly received, decoded, and initiated additional telemetry downlink data. AS-1 has been in orbit for about 9 months. Stations are asked to continue to monitor the downlink and pass any received telemetry to the group here [AMSAT-BB] for dissemination.☐

Watch Reception of AubieSat-1 at K5QXJ

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Additional telemetry from the onboard science experiment will use CW transmissions up to 60 WPM.

Auburn University video about the AubieSat-1 project

http://www.uk.amsat.org/2256

Auburn University AubieSat-1

http://space.auburn.edu/

AMSAT Bulletin Board (AMSAT-BB)

http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/tools/maillist/

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AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-162

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Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor at amsat.org

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AMSAT News Service Bulletin 162.01

From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

June 10, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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Status of ISS Ham Radio Operations

ISS Amateur Radio Project Engineer Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO reports the ARISS digipeater has changed frequency from 145.825 MHz (up/down) to 437.550 MHz (up/down). The same digi alias ARISS is still used.

This change was started with the docking of the ESA Automated Transfer Vehicle (ATV). The ATV is an expendable, unmanned resupply spacecraft delivering propellant, water, air, payloads and experimental supplies to the International Space Station (ISS).

Packet operations were moved to the Columbus Module UHF radio when the Kenwood D700 radio was recently powered off due to needing an additional air purifier to support the ATV. Normally the air purifier is located in the ATV but recent power support issues related to the ATV and ISS necessitated the system be relocated to the Service Module. The purifier is now using the power outlet that the Kenwood radio normally uses. The Russian team has agreed to briefly power the purifier off for the scheduled ARISS school events but then will re-activate the purifier right afterwards. This appears to be a long term impact as ATV is currently scheduled to depart from ISS in September.

[ANS thanks Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO for the above information]

AMSAT-NA Board of Directors Nominations Due This Friday, June 15

It is time to submit nominations for the upcoming open seats on the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. A valid nomination requires either one current Member Society, or five current individual members in good

standing, to nominate an AMSAT-NA member for the position.

Three directors and two alternate directors have terms expiring this year. The director seats open for election are held by Tom Clark, K3IO; Lou McFadin, W5DID; and Gould Smith, WA4SXM. The alternate director seats open for election are held by Mark Hammond, N8MH and Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK.

The three nominees receiving the highest number of votes will be seated as regular board members with two year terms. The two nominees receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternate directors for one year.

Written nominations, consisting of names, calls and individual signatures, should be mailed to: AMSAT-NA, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. They must be received no later than June 15th. No other action is required.

Nominations may also be made by electronic means including e-mail, FAX, or electronic image of a petition. Electronic petitions should be sent to MARTHA@AMSAT.ORG or faxed to 301-608-3410, and also must be received by June 15th. If using any electronic submission, there is a second, verifying step:

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WITHOUT THIS SECOND, WRITTEN VERIFICATION ARE NOT VALID UNDER THE EXISTING AMSAT-NA BYLAWS. A verifying traditional written petition MUST be received at the AMSAT-NA office at the above address within 7 days following the close of nominations.

[ANS Thanks AMSAT Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

AMSAT 2012 Symposium Announcement and Second Call for Papers

This is the second call for papers for the 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium to be held in Orlando, Florida on the weekend of October 26-28, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Orlando Airport Hotel.

Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community:

Papers for publication in the ProceedingsSymposium PresentationsPoster PresentationsEquipment and Operating Demonstrations

We request a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings.

Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv at amsat.org.

The Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet□Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

If you are interested in a Monday Trip (October 29) to the Kennedy Space Center please contact Martha via email: martha at amsat.org. The trip will include a round trip bus from the hotel and entrance to the Space Center. The cost will be about $100. This is a wonderful experience for those that haven't been and for those that have been multiple times. We need to get an idea of how many will participate to select the correct bus.

Watch the AMSAT Symposium web pages for the latest updates.

[ANS thanks Dan Schultz, N8FGV for the above information]

SA AMSAT Update Reports That SumbandilaSat Recovery Work Continues

SA AMSAT posted a report on their web there is still a recovery opportunity for SumbandilaSat.

The team at SunSpace are still incrementally reading back the program code from the nine power modules in an effort to determine the extent of the corruption. With SumbandilaSat going through eclipses, the satellite is not as much available as the team would like. SumbandilaSat□s batteries failed which means that the satellite is only active when the solar panels are illuminated.

□We need the information to confirm that the changes we made to stop repeated corruption were effective.□ Johann Lochner ZR6CBC who spends considerable of his free time on recovery of SumbandilaSat said. □It is our aim to ultimately reprogram one of the power modules to automatically switch the amateur radio transponder on and off.□

Because of the shorter illumination of the solar panels in the Southern hemisphere and most likely poor orientation of the satellite with respect to the sun, progress is much slower than originally anticipated. □Where we had three passes to work with in January we currently have one□, Johann said.

In early June 2011 for an unknown reason (but probably related to a major radiation event on 7 June) the primary controller on the power distribution unit (PDU) powering the On-Board Computer (OBC) stopped responding to commands from the ground station.

It later appeared that the battery had failed and nothing was heard from the satellite for some time. The ground stations at SANSA Space operations at Hartbeeshoek and the Electronic Systems Laboratory at Stellenbosch University are receiving telemetry when the satellite's solar panels are illuminated by the sun.

Johann said with SumbandilaSat responding when it is in full sunlight the team is confident that some operations will be restored even to the point where it may be possible to do some imaging and have the amateur radio transponder back in operation.

[ANS thanks SA AMSAT for the above information]

Amateur Radio Reports Requested for AubieSat-1

John Klingelhoeffer, WB4LNM, AubieSat-1 Technical Mentor at Auburn University is requesting telemetry reception reports from amateur satellite operators after a new operating mode is commanded aboard the satellite.

AubieSat-1 was launched from Vandenberg AFB, California in October, 2011. The cubesat is an undergraduate built satellite developed by Auburn University. Over the weekend of June 9-11 the AubieSat-1 controllers changed the transmission mode of the satellite to increase the quantity of telemetry. The increased telemetry rate will provide data to indicate how well solar cell protection is working. It should also provide additional onboard housekeeping information.

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Please post your reception reports on the AMSAT-BB.

An example of receiving the AubieSat-1 downlink can be found on the DK3WN SatBlog.

[ANS thanks John Klingelhoeffer, WB4LNM for the above information]

ARRL 9 cm Band Plan Updated

Outside of ITU Region 1, the Amateur Satellite Service has a 9cm band allocation of 3.400 GHz - 3.410 GHz on a non-interfering basis. No current satellites are active on this frequency range at present. The new band plan reserves allocations for EME and amateur satellite operation.

The detailed graphic of the 9 cm band plan and accompanying article is posted on the ARRL web.

In ARRL Bulletin 14 ARLB014, released on June 5 the report reads:

The ARRL Board of Directors has unanimously voted to approve the 9 cm band plan, as presented by the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee. Earlier this year, the committee asked radio amateurs for comments on a proposed 9 cm band plan, explaining that the purpose of these band plans is to share information about how the amateur bands are being used and to suggest compatible frequency ranges for various types of application. The committee also recognized that local conditions or needs may necessitate deviations from a band plan, and that regional frequency coordinating bodies may recommend alternatives for use in their respective regions.

The new 9 cm band plan includes the following notations:

This band plan includes all other emission modes authorized in the 9 cm amateur band whose necessary bandwidth does not exceed the suggested bandwidths listed.Weak Signal Terrestrial legacy users are encouraged to move to 3400.3-3401.0 MHz, as time and resources permit.Broadband segments may be used for any combination of high-speed data (e.g. 802.11 protocols), Amateur Television and other high-bandwidth activities. Division into channels and/or separation of uses within these segments may be done regionally, based on need and usage.Per ITU RR 5.149 from WRC-07, these band segments are also used for Radio Astronomy. Amateur use of these frequencies should be first coordinated with the National Science Foundation.

[ANS thanks the ARRL for the above information]

LVB Tracker Boxes in Stock at the AMSAT Office

Martha says she now has LVB Tracker boxes in stock at the AMSAT Office. The cost is $200 plus $20 shipping.

The AMSAT Store Website is currently down due to technical issues so you can place your order via these routes:

Call Martha at the AMSAT Office (301-589-6062) 10:00 AM-6:00 PM EDTFax - 301-608-3410Mail - AMSAT, 850 Sligo Ave #600, Silver Spring MD 20910

The LVB Tracker is a rotator interface designed to to be used as an interface between tracking software and the Yaesu 4500/5500 series of Az/El rotators.

Here's why you want one:

Several physical interface options including RS-232, USB and TCP/IP over 10/100 Ethernet (tested by not implemented)Uses standard EasyComm and Yaesu GS-232 protocolsCross-platform compatibility - Windows, Linux, BSD, MacCompatible with existing real-time prediction programs such as SatPC32 and NovaOpen sourceIntegrated firmware programmer for easy installation and upgrade

Watch a demo of the LVB Track Interface with the Yaesu G-5500 rotator (does not use the AMSAT enclosure)

[ANS thanks Martha at the AMSAT Ofice for the above information]

13 Original Colonies Special Event Includes Satellite Operations

The 2012 13 Colonies Special Event stations will operate from July 1 through July 5. Operators will be on the satellites again this year for the special event.

Recognizing that the 4th comes in the middle of the week (Wednesday) and that some operators will be going to their work on the 2nd, 3rd and 5th, we will add a BONUS DAY on Saturday, 30 June 2012. Stations will operate from 09:00 AM Eastern (1300Z) right through until the 5th. Keep in mind that there may be fewer operators available on the work days so, PLEASE BE PATIENT!

Please send your QSL requests directly to each operator.

Satellite operations are planned as part of the Special Event.

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NY K2A WB2OQQ Pete

VA K2B NL7VX Steve

RI K2C N1MIW Larry

CT K2D WA8SME Mark

DE K2E KB2M Jeff (SSB Birds)

DE K2E W3FIS Paul (FM Birds)

MD K2F WA3SWJ Bruce

GA K2G N3TL Tim

MA K2H KB1PVH Dave

NJ K2I KB2M Jeff (Here when not in DE)

NC K2J W4MPS Marc

NH K2K NE1H Bob

SC K2L K4YYL Art

PA K2M KB3WSW Elizabeth

[ANS thanks Dave, KB1PVH for the above information]

Field Day - Two Weeks and Counting

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO reminds you that Field Day is now only TWO WEEKS away!

Each year the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) sponsors Field Day as an emergency preparedness exercise. The event takes place during a 24-hour period on the fourth weekend of June. For 2012 the event takes place during a 27-hour period between 1800 UTC on Saturday, June 23, 2012 and 2100 UTC on Sunday June 24, 2012. Those who set up prior to 1800 UTC on June 23 can operate only 24 hours.

The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT) promotes its own version of Field Day for operation via the amateur satellites, held concurrently with the ARRL event.

The AMSAT Field Day 2012 event is open to all Amateur Radio operators. Amateurs are to use the exchange as specified in ARRL rules for Field Day. The AMSAT competition is to encourage the use of all amateur satellites, both analog and digital.

For the complete listing of the AMSAT Field Day Rules, along with discussion of selecting the satellites to operate, please refer to the documents posted on-line at:

http://www.amsatnet.com/fd2012.doc

http://www.amsatnet.com/fd2012.pdf

Links are also accessible from http://www.amsat.org front page.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

+ Congratulations to Jerry Brown, K5OE upon reaching his VUCC award upgrade to 1,008 grids. Jerry said his contacts ranged from 2003 on AO-40 to new grids can be attributed to "modern" rovers, including ND9M, WD9EWK, and

W5PFG to new grids are credited to Yuri, UT1FG/MM.+ Congratulations to Bob Johnson, W7LRD for earning Satellite Worked All States #326. Congratulations to Ron Oldham, N8RO for earning Satellite Worked All States #328.+ Congratulations to Al Ward, W5LUA and Charles Hoover, K0VXM for completing a Florida (EL98) to Texas (EM13) contact on 10 GHz on June 5. This spanned a distance of 1,606.63 km, or998.357 miles (report via Dave, KB0PE)+ Watch a NASA promotional video about the Educational Launch of Nanosatellites (ELaNa) program. AMSAT's Fox-1 cubesat is a participant of this program.+ Ib, OZ1MY noted AO-7 is once again entering eclipse periods. AO-7 will awaken in either Mode-A or Mode-B randomly upon entering the sunlit portion of its orbit. It is only operational while in sunlight. Watch, and update the status of AO-7 on the OSCAR Status Page.+ Follow the links to download your free copy of SatMagazine. The June issue features the STRaND-2 nanosats on pages 25 and 26; Additionally on page 71 there is a picture of the satellite OSCAR-5 that was built by radio amateurs at the University of Melbourne, Australia.+ AMSAT received the sad news of the passing of Chris Heijzelaar, PA5RWE. He was a very active satellite operator. Condolences can be left at: http://www.het-bar.net (via Andre, PE1RDW)+ The ARRL posted the video of the Dayton 2012 presentation by AMSAT Vice-President Educational Relations Mark Hammond, N8MH describing the different roles and opportunities for Technical Mentors and Ground Station operators to play in an ARISS contact with the International Space Station.+ While the AMSAT on-line store is closed due to technical issues you can place an order through the AMSAT office. The hours are 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM EDT. The phone number is 301-589-6062. Martha is looking forward to hearing from you!

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that please keep in mind when a mechanical engineer, a chemical engineer and a computer engineer were carpooling to work when the car broke down. The mechanical engineer speculated it might be a problem with the engine. The chemical engineer thought they should check the fluids. The computer engineer suggested they all get out of the car and get back in again, then see if it restarts.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

K9JKM at amsat dot org

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1A0C - Soon on air!

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 02:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349531-1A0C-Soon-on-air!&goto=newpost

1A0C-CISOM.jpg

Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list. And an activation by an International team looks to celebrate the uniqueness of this event. So, from the 1st to the 4th July, we will listen them on the air as 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

The callsign that will be used belongs to the □The Order of Malta□s Italian Relief Corps (CISOM)□, an organization specialized in bringing assistance and relief during emergencies. This underscores the dual value of this activation. On the one hand, there□s the fun side ham radio, giving a not so easy □new one□ to as many stations as possible (especially from the US and Japan).

On the other hand, however, there□s the noble goal, as often seen in ham radio, where a spirit of cooperation and mutual aid are shared by operators all over the world. The team□s aim, in fact, is to raise funds □ thanks to donations and contributions from QSL requests □ in order to buy radio equipment which The Order of Malta□s Italian Relief Corps volunteers will be able to use in case of emergencies.

The operators list includes: 1A0X, 1A0Z, EA2RY, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F5CWU, IN3ZNR, IT9YVO, IZ8IYX, PB2T, SP3DOI and KH6CG as a pilot for North America and Pacific.

They will be active on HF+6m and the QSLs for contacts with 1A0C can be requested via Francesco Cozzi, 1A0Z.

A website will be online soon, stay tuned!

Attached Images

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Amateur Radio Field Day

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 12:37 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349522-Amateur-Radio-Field-Day&goto=newpost

ARRL Field Day is the single most popular on-the-air event held annually in the US and Canada. Each year over 35,000 amateurs gather with their clubs, friends or simply by themselves to operate. It is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate Amateur Radio to local elected community leaders, key

individuals with the organizations that Amateur Radio might serve in an emergency, as well as the general public.

Dates- Field Day 2012 will be held June 23-24, 2012. Field Day is always the fourth full weekend of June, beginning at 1800 UTC Saturday and running through 2059 UTC Sunday.

You do not have to be a member of the Club or a registered user of this website to sign up. If you are a member of the club you can register for this site and then sign up for field day using your website username.

. There is no charge for attendance, we would appreciate knowing how many people will be attending. Gifts of cash and volunteer time are needed and will be greatly appreciated. The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, Inc. is a 501(c)7 and gifts are not tax deductible.

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Kids Amateur Radio Field Day

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 11:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349517-Kids-Amateur-Radio-Field-Day&goto=newpost

ARRL Kids Day aims to encourage young people (licensed or not) to have fun with amateur radio, promising "on-the-air experience to youngsters." Presentations for those seeking to learn about amateur radio (9am), on-air transmissions (11am).

When: Saturday, June 16, 9 a.m.Where:9310 Fanita Parkway Santee, CA , Santee, 92071

Cost: Free

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Dayton Hamvention TOUR from HamRadioNow.tv

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 06:36 PM PDT
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Nobody covers the Hamvention like HamRadioNow. This year we worked out little corkscrew tails off,

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the strange and unusual. Our coverage comes in three videos, one each for Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

So stop by our web site, pop some popcorn, settle back and relax. We've worn ourselves out and done all the work.

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> Berlenga Island DXpedition video
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> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EtTwy6NfREI/berlen...
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> The Oeste DX Gang and Algarve STAR DX team have posted this video of their
> Berlenga Island DXpedition
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> Status of ISS Ham Radio Operations
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> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tSc1LOtnygw/status...
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> ISS Amateur Radio Project Engineer Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO reports the ARISS
> digipeater has changed frequency from 145.825 MHz (up/down) to 437.550 MHz
> (up/down). The same digi alias ARISS is still used
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> Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP
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> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HnXDZPnYKYY/june_1...
>
> Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate
> levels. There is a chance for M-class flares from Sunspot 1494

959. eHam.net News for Monday 11 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-11 22:40:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08b2fd60404c23a088d@google.com>
Source record: 2776
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Monitor OC Wheelmen's 'Ride Around the Bear':

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28455

Members of the Orange County Wheelmen bicycle club started and finished their 28th Annual 'Ride Around the Bear' in Redlands. Ham radio volunteers with San Bernardino County helped monitor the Orange County Wheelmen's 100-mile "Ride Around the Bear," which started and finished Saturday at Sylvan Park in Redlands. Jeff Sabatini manned one of 12 comm sites on Highway 38's dogleg curve at the Forest Falls turnoff in Mill Creek Canyon. He had his pickup rigged with a radio tower to increase his signal output and reception in the steep-sided mountain gulch. "Ham radio works when everything else won't," Sabatini said. "This is good practice for emergency situations. Fire, flood, earthquakes."

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Man (NM5Z) Paralyzed After Dive Accident: 'Don't Give Up':

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28454

Chitto River -- and words of warning for anyone who likes to jump into a good hole of water.
"Don't dive!" says Pickard, 55, of McComb, who's been a quadriplegic since a plunge into the Bogue Chitto River in 1973. Though paralyzed, he stays active and has accomplished much -- serving as a deacon in his church, building and maintaining websites, repairing computers and communicating with people around the world via ham radio. Though a quadriplegic -- paralyzed in all four limbs -- Pickard can raise and lower his arms. Wrist braces help him perform such tasks as holding an upside-down pencil to tap out words on a computer and operating a modified ham radio handset.

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Group Connected -- Radio Enthusiasts Visit Mildura for Annual Event:

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 04:57 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28453

The wonders of amateur radio were discussed and celebrated in Mildura at the weekend. About 185 people gathered for the Wireless Institute of Australia's AGM, but it wasnt all business. Social events, including a civic reception and paddleboat lunch cruise on the Murray River,kept

enthusiasts busy. The AGM is held at a different location every year and Michael Owen, president of the WIA, from Melbourne, yesterday said} Mildura's weather had turned it on for members - some of whom had travelled from New Zealand and Darwin. From Morse code to digital radio broadcasting, WIA members had the chance to share their knowledge and interests. "The weekend is a mixture of social, business and technical matters," Mr Owen said yesterday. "This morning a group from South Australia launched a high altitude balloon and tracked that using radio technology and a repeater on it; using communications as far away as Adelaide and Melbourne but using VHF;, so it's a mixture of all sorts of things involving 185 people."

960. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 11 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-12 02:12:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235485ab927a04c23cfdd0@google.com>
Source record: 2777
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Field Day - HNN Huntingtonnews.net

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 03:19 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEcTM_XszSYTjD_6Fy5l6nPvjgh1A&url=http://www.huntingtonnews.net/35408

HNN Huntingtonnews.net
Amateur Radio Field Day
HNN Huntingtonnews.net
Amateur radio operators from the Tri-State Amateur Radio Association (TARA) will set up an outdoor radio operation June 23 and 24 at The Tri-State Fire Academy, 4200 Ohio River Road, Huntington. Hams from West Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky will join ...

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Easton Amateur Radio Society to hold field day June 23-24 - The Star Democrat

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 02:08 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGNI8GLSiTnZ-AYV76zFs0tYjQ5Ng&url=http://www.stardem.com/article_e2e0c7e8-8a03-5538-ad28-85a5d365368b.html

Easton Amateur Radio Society to hold field day June 23-24
The Star Democrat
This annual event, called "Field Day," is the climax of the week-long "Amateur Radio Week" sponsored by the ARRL. Using only emergency power supplies, ham operators will construct temporary emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, ...
Amateur radio field day June 23-24Shore News Today
Field Day planned for amateur radioYoungstown Vindicator
Field Day - Two Weeks and CountingSouthgate Amateur Radio Club

all 5 news articles

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QA's amateur radio operators take part in 'Art of the Deals' - The Star Democrat

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 06:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEJ0qNy0-Mtqn_XWSaqtwoZgx_cVg&url=http://www.stardem.com/life/article_cddcdd41-0541-5c28-b723-992bf7174c36.html

QAs amateur radio operators take part in Art of the Deals
The Star Democrat
CENTREVILLE The Queen Annes Amateur Radio Club (QAARC) operators will demonstrate some of their communication equipment and provide information about amateur radio and their club at the "Art of the Deals" from 9 am to 1 pm Saturday, June 16, ...

and more

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Amateur radio classes to be held this week - Idaho Mountain Express and Guide

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 10:48 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHVNBHwcfP0JS2FDt4ov3k7-KE8Bg&url=http://www.mtexpress.com/vu_breaking_story.php?bid%3D98285

Amateur radio classes to be held this week
Idaho Mountain Express and Guide
By :EXPRESS STAFF The Wood River Amateur Radio Club will hold a licensing class starting tonight, June 11. The course will be presented over two evenings, tonight, and Wednesday, June 13, at Zaneys in Hailey from 6:30-9 pm Cost for the class is $50 ...

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Radio operators to sponsor Field Day - Youngstown Vindicator

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 09:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFK9rcLLLlcg-EiAEUtIrWBULIDyA&url=http://www.vindy.com/news/2012/jun/10/radio-operators-to-sponsor-field-day/

Radio operators to sponsor Field Day
Youngstown Vindicator
The event ends Amateur Radio Week sponsored by the American Radio Relay League, the national association for amateur radio. Using only emergency power supplies, ham operators will construct emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, ...

961. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 12 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-12 06:22:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234ce72b608204c2407cfe@google.com>
Source record: 2778
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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South Milwaukee Hamfest, Saturday July 7th @ Oak Creek, WI

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 04:34 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349693-South-Milwaukee-Hamfest-Saturday-July-7th-Oak-Creek-WI&goto=newpost

South Milwaukee Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

SATURDAY, JULY 7, 2012 6:30 AM

American Legion Post 434

9327 South Shepard Avenue, Oak Creek, WI

Talk-In Frequency 146.520 WA9TXE

Tickets: $5.00

Food & Beverages available after 6:30AM

This is an outside event -- Come prepared for ANY weather

First come = First Served

$100 DOOR PRIZE AT NOON (you need not be present to win)

For More Information:

Robert (414) 764-3871 WB9TIK@sbcglobal.net

Visit Our Website: www.qsl.net/WA9TXE

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Monroe, MI Hamfest, Sunday June 17th @ Monroe county Fairgrounds

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 04:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349691-Monroe-MI-Hamfest-Sunday-June-17th-Monroe-county-Fairgrounds&goto=newpost

7:30am to 1:00pm - Set-up 6:30am Presented by:

The Monroe County Radio Communications Association, hosts it's annual
hamfest every year in June on father's day. The Monroe Hamfest is held at
the Monroe County Fairgrounds which is located at the corner of M-50 and
South Raisinville Roads, conveniently located just off I-75, halfway
between Toledo, OH & Detroit, MI. If you would like to download a .PDF

version of our flier, order tables online, or check out any other information, please click on the links below.

http://nic-nac-project.org/~bcspro/hamfest/index.php

Indoor & out door sales, great food, camping, new & used equipment.

Tables indoor 8□: $15 each, does not include admission ticket. Electric available in all buildings, bring cords.

Trunk 8□ Spaces: $10 each, does not include admission ticket.

Tickets Advance $6 each, come with 2 stubs for drawings.

Mail to: Fred Van Daele KA8EBI, 4 Carl Drive, Monroe, MI 48162, 734-652-3843 ka8ebi@yahoo.com

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Black Diamond Ham Fest beckley WV

Posted: 08 Jun 2012 06:19 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349417-Black-Diamond-Ham-Fest-beckley-WV&goto=newpost

Black Diamond Ham Fest

will be in beckley wv 6-9-2012 from 8 to 2 for any info contact zandle cline AC8DU at yahoo.com

962. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 12 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-12 12:01:05 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93407d91177c904c24474dd@google.com>
Source record: 2779
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radio Amateur VK5ZAI on TV show

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zWP8szpdWus/radio_amateur_vk5zai_on_tv_show.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows Tony Hutchison VK5ZAI on the Channel 7 Today Tonight TV show talking about amateur radio and the ARISS schools program. The show provides some great insights as to how Amateur Radio can provide support for NASA as well as raise public awareness through the ARISS schools program

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Radio Netherlands English Service closes down

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u34mLuEsb8g/radio_netherlands_english_service_closes_down.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the closure of the Dutch service in May, Radio Netherlands has announced that the English service will end on June 29

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Upcoming ARISS contact with St Anne's Primary School, Strathfield South, NSW, Australia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oRcV-dSgo-A/ariss_event_1306.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at St Anne's Primary School, Strathfield South, NSW, Australia on 13 June

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3OpYbNCjSCE/iaru_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The May issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports on a 'Clansman' transmission in the amateur radio 28 MHz band, possibly from the Falkland Islands

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5th Grader's Near Space Flight

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/A_KSh_gdbgY/5th_graders_near_space_flight.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When fifth-grader Tristan Jolley of Mack Benn Jr. Elementary school wasn't picked to attend this year's NASA student symposium in Houston, he was disappointed – motivated, too

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Jay Leno - Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment 1992

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xXus7Jkqu4s/jay_leno_sarex.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In 1992 Southern California Amateur Radio operators uplinked a video of stand-up comedian Jay Leno, host of NBC's The Tonight Show, to the Space Shuttle Columbia through Jim Steffen, KC6A's station in Long Beach, California

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New ARES merchandise now available at the RAC Online Store

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fcWBM0kqhX8/new_ares_merchandise.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following a review of how we distribute ARES merchandise, and to whom, Radio Amateurs of Canada are happy to advise that there are now many new items available through the RAC Online Store - Cafepress

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2012 Topband Most Wanted survey

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yPICAi0g2t8/2012_topband_most_wanted_survey.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This annual survey of 160 Meter DX needs is taken by Garry/NI6T and Larry/K8UT and is now available online

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First-time operation from Tanzania

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R15fuaVoFBM/first_time_operation_from_tanzania.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chas, NK8O/VE3ISD, has traveled to Mwanza on Lake Victoria for several years working there but has never operated any amateur radio from Tanzania

963. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 12 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-12 16:34:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5038243318bc04c2490bd4@google.com>
Source record: 2780
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Jefferson county radio amateur club field day

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 08:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349934-Jefferson-county-radio-amateur-club-field-day&goto=newpost

June 23 and 24 is the Amateur Radio Relay League Field Day Exercise weekend.

Amateur radio operators, known as Hams, get together and attempt to contact
other Ham radio stations around the globe as practice for emergency
situations.

For more information, call (315) 783-8671 (Phil-KC5AMQ) or (315) 783-8667
(Michelle-KC2UOD) or visit the club□s website at www.kc2elx.net

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CK6S - Special Event Station for the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary
Stampede

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 06:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349920-CK6S-Special-Event-Station-for-the-100th-Anniversary-of-the-Calgary-Stampede&goto=newpost

The Calgary Amateur Radio Association will be operating

special event station CK6S, from July 5 to 15th, 2012 celebrating

the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary Stampede.

A special QSL card will be available through the QSL bureau or direct,

following the CK6S/VE6AO QSL instructions on QRZ.com.

Planned frequencies are in the general portion of the US phone

bands around 3.825, 7.180, 14.250, 21.320 & 28.475 +-QRM

Watch the packetcluster for real time posting of operating times

and exact frequencies.

All amateurs within the City of Calgary can also use special

prefixes CJ6 for VA6 and CK6 for VE6 for the same

period.

Work 10 Calgary stations and you can qualify for the

Stampede City Award, illustrating the chuckwagon races;

http://cara.memberlodge.com/Default.aspx?pageId=905198

964. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 12 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-12 16:47:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f69a81e2e04c249384d@google.com>
Source record: 2781
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Radio Amateur VK5ZAI on TV show

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 12:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349896-Radio-Amateur-VK5ZAI-on-TV-show&goto=newpost

Radio Amateur VK5ZAI on TV show

This video shows Tony Hutchison VK5ZAI on the Channel 7 Today Tonight TV show talking about amateur radio and the ARISS schools program.

The show provides some great insights as to how Amateur Radio can provide support for NASA as well as raise public awareness through the ARISS schools program.

Tony VK5ZAI has provided many Telebridge links for the International Space Station (ISS) to schools around the world. An ISS Telebridge contact is where a dedicated ARISS amateur radio ground station, located somewhere in the world, establishes the radio link with the ISS. Voice communications between the students and the astronauts are then patched over regular telephone lines.

Watch ARISS Tony VK5ZAI on Today Tonight

ARISS co-ordinator VK5ZAI receives NASA award

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/march2008/vk5zai.htm

ARISS and Ham Radio Opportunities video

http://www.uk.amsat.org/8099

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station ARISS

http://ariss.rac.ca/

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965. [DXNL] DXNL 1784 (Jun 13, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-12 19:47:32 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1833466046.20120612213030@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2782
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1784 - Jun 13, 2012
DX Newsletter

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Visit us at the HAMRADIO in Friedrichshafen
Europe's largest amateur radio meeting HAMRADIO takes place from
Jun 22-24 at the Convention Center in Friedrichshafen on Lake Constance
We would be pleased to meet the DXNL subscribers at the booth of the
DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting" (hall A1, booth 462).

9K, KUWAIT
The "Kuwait Amateur Radio Society" activates the special event station
9K2KCBB from Jun 13-15 to mark the World Blood Donor Day on June 14.
The will work in SSB/CW/RTTY. QSL via 9K2RA, unfortunately only direct.

CT, PORTUGAL
Joao,CT1BWU, is licensed for 30 years now and celebrates this with the
special callsign CR6BWU. QSL via homecall.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND, NA-063 (update)
Alan has put down his 40m/80m/160m antenna but he can still work on
30m/20m/17m/15m/12m/10m in PSK and BPSK31 using his TS-690s and a
Hygain AV-18VS 10m high. His stay will last until the end of the year.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Tony,JA6CNL, will visit the Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086, USi
NI002S, WLOTA 1333, Loc QK25uf) again from June 15-18. He works as KH0N
in CW only on 80m-6m. QSL via homecall.

OD, LEBANON
Gaby,OD5NJ, has been spotted on 15m from 1430-1600 UTC. QSL via EA5BYP.

ON, BELGIUM
The radioclub of Binche (ON7RY) commemorates the Belgian resistance
fighters of World War II on the historic spot Bruly-de-Pesche by using
the special callsign ON44WAR on Jun 17. They will use a Whaddon MK VII
PARASET for this purpose. QSL via ON7RY.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
The special event station PA300BPM draws attention on the 300th horse market in Numansdorp until June 28. QSL via PD2GSP.

SM, SWEDEN
Richard,SM2TOS, Urban,SM2SXA, Gunnar,SM2IUF, Patrick,SA2BDO, Mats,SA2AWO, Rune,SM2EKA, and Maria,SA2YLM, are planning an expedition to a Lancaster bomber which crashed on Oct 29, 1944, at Porjus (JP97ua) using the special callsign SE2EE on June 16/17. The Avro Lancaster bomber Mk1 NF920 "Easy Elsie" was one of 37 with the mission to sink the Tirpitz in Norway. QSL via SM2TOS.
See also: http://www.sm2tos.se/easyelsie/eng

SV, GREECE
The Greek special event station SX135HRC is active until July 31 on the occasion of the 135-year old existence of the Greek Red Cross. QSL via SV1EOS.

TF, ICELAND, EU-168
Volkmar,TF/DL4AOJ, will be QRV from the island of Grimsey (EU-168) working mainly on SSB and maybe some CW with his IC 706 (100 watts) and GPA 404 (40m/20m/15m/10m) from June 15-19. He travels and operates alone so the restriction for all his luggage (tech/clothing/food/etc..) is what he can carry along. He still hopes to make a good number of QSOs, though.

UA1, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
Members of the RZ1CWC team (Victor,R1CBN, Vladimir,UA1CIO Andrew,RN1CW) and other OPs will show up from Annenskoe Fortification (WCA UA-00024, COTA-RU C-124) and from Vyborg Castle (WCA UA-00004, COTA-RU C-104, ARLHS ERU-231, RLHA RLE-new) on Jun 16. They also plan to activate Vysotsk Fortress (WCA UA-00022, COTA-RU C-122) on Jun 16/17. Listen for RZ1CWC/p in CW/PSK/SSB on all bands. The log will be uploaded also to WCA E-Log. QSL via RN1CW. See also: http://www.rz1cwc.qrz.ru and http://www.wcagroup.org/ENG/main.html
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The new award program "Gallery of the Great Genius of Russia" (GGGR) was launched in Russia. Following special event stations will be active until Aug 30:
R11GGGR Op: RK1AN
R12GGGR Op: RZ1AWZ
R22GGGR Op: UA2FDM
R44GGGR Op: UA4LAQ
R66GGGR Op: RU6BS
R73GGGR Op: UA6MM
R77GGGR Op: RK6AH
All QSLs via UA6MM.

UA9, ASIATIC RUSSIA
The city of Komsomolsk-on-Amur celebrates its 80th anniversary. The local HAMs participate in this event with the special event station UE80C from June 1 until August 31. QSL via bureau.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS, OC-028
Steve,G3ZVW/ZD8N, will be QRV as V73/AF6SU from the clubstation V73AX
on Kwajalein atoll (Ralik chain, OC-028, Loc RJ38ur) until the end
of June. He has been worked on 20m CW already. QSL via G3ZVW.

VE, CANADA
The Burnaby Amateur Radio Club (VE7BAR) was assigned the special call
CG7CWPC in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the "CW Parker
Carousel" (shown in "Burnaby Village Museum"). They will work in all
modes on all bands from Jun 15 until July 15. QSL via VE7ESS.
See also: http://www.ve7bar.org

The Kitchener Waterloo Amateur Radio Club (KWARC) celebrates its
90th anniversary with the special callsign VC390IC from June 18 until
July 2. The station consists of a Viking Pacemaker transmitter and
a Gonset G63 receiver. Operations will take place in SSB on 40 and 80m.
They have also other equipment for the higher bands.
QSL unfortunately only direct via VE3NQK.

The Laval-Laurentides Amateur Radio Club celebrates its 30th jubilee
by activating the special call VC2L in all modes on all bands from
June 15 until July 15. QSL via VE2NHK.

Mike,VE3NOO, may use the special callsign VX3ROYL from Jun 15 to Jul 15
to mark the 200th anniversary of the escape of the British corvette
"Royal George". He plans to work in all modes on all bands.
QSL via VE3NOO.

Not only WPX friends will be interested in the special callsign VX3T
operated by Pete,VE3IKV, on the occasion of the Calgary Stampede
centennial on June 15. QSL unfortunately only direct via VE3IKV.

W, USA
Andy,N8OFS (SMIRK 6737), will be QRV as N8OFS/p from EN91 for the
SMIRK 50MHz QSO Party running 50 watts in FM on 52.525 MHz from
Jun 15-17. QSL unfortunately only direct via homecall or eQSL.

AWARDS PROGRAM: The Activity Group of Belarus (AGB) draws attention to their
Award trophy and contest programs: http://ev5agb.com

DXCC: The XX9E operation was approved for DXCC credit. QSL cards for the
DXCC and all other ARRL awards can be (re-)submitted for confirmation
at the HAMRADIO in Friedrichshafen.

IOTA: EU-155 was deleted from the list. The further development of the
Po river delta will be monitored continuously. QSOs before October 2011
will be accepted on all applications arriving prior to Sep 1.

Following IOTA expeditions are accepted for credit now:
AT2DW (AS-175), XF1AA (NA-189), 4A3RCC (NA-200), KL7RRC/p (NA-240),
4W0VB/p (OC-232), CW5GI (SA-039), 7O6T (AF-028)

4U1ITU, 4U1UN and 4U1WRC: QSL cards of 4U1ITU, 4U1UN and 4U1WRC will be
available at the booth of the "Swiss DX Foundation" at the HAMRADIO.
Please refer to the time schedule announced at the booth and bring your
QSO information with you.

TCSWAT: The winner of the World Kidney Day Award are: ES1IP, OK2JS, DL1MDU,
EA2DNY, EA7IZZ, EB5CS, EI3CTB, G0TRB, G0WOU, G3OCA, M0TQR, OZ4Z,
RA3PCI, SWL I3-65709

OP wanted: Members of the "West OZ DX Group" are planning a DXpedition to
Woody Island (OC-170) this year. See also: http://www.westozdx.net
If you are interested please send an e-mail to webmaster@westozdx.net

TOPBAND: All 160m enthusiasts are invited to participate in the survey of
Garry,NI6T, and Larry,K8UT, until Aug 31. The results will be published
in September. See also: http://survey.hamdocs.com/?sid=11389 and
http://k8uttw81.k8ut.com/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId=11

EURAO: The visitors of the HAMRADIO can meet representatives of the European
organization of radio amateurs in hall A1 at booth 769.
See also: http://www.eurao.org/de and http://eurobureauqsl.org

INTERNATIONAL MUSEUMS WEEKENDS: The International Museums weekends will be
held on Jun 16/17 and Jun 23/24 this year. Radio amateurs are invited
to join the IMW by operating their stations from a local museum.
The organizer Harry,M1BYT, asks for registration at:
http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw

SILENT KEYS: Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, passed away at the age of 71 on June 3.
He was responsible for the QST column "The World Above 50 MHz" from
2002 to 2011. He was a member of the "ARRL Contest Advisory Committee",
editor of the "VHF Contesting Column" in CQ Contest magazine, Director
of the CQ VHF Contestes from 2000-02 and an early adopter and advocate
of aggressive contestlog checking. Other HAMs who passed away are:
Peter Kallfelz,DL8YR, Luciano Montanari,I4MNK, Joel Oulie,F6FHP, and
Abel Aguirre,LU8EDK (who has spent 18 summers and 6 winters as a radio
operator in the Antarctic between 1953 and 1997).
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost them, but grateful that we could
get to know them as a radio friend. We will always keep them in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jun 13 DIG Spring Contest
Jun 14 DIG Spring Contest
Jun 16 AGCW-DL VHF/UHF Contest
Jun 16/17 JARL All Asian DX Contest
Jun 16/17 Ukrainian Classic RTTY Contest

Jun 17 DIE Contest

Starting in 2012 the "World Castle Weekend" is moved to the third weekend
in June following a request of Spanish HAMs who want to avoid any possible
interferences with the "His Majesty The King of Spain Contest" on Jun 23/24.
See also: http://www.wcagroup.org

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AN-013, several, Trinity Peninsula group: LU4ZS is working from the
Marambio station on Seymour Island (AN-013, AA LU-03, WAP ARG-21,
WFF LUFF-056) at the moment. QSL via LU4DXU.

AS-147, JA8, Hokkaidos Coastal Islands: Taka,JA8COE/8, is going to visit
Yagishiri Island (WLOTA 2512, Loc QN04QK) again from Jun 16-18. The
activity will be postponed by one week if the weather is not suitable.
QSL via homecall.

EU-005, G/GM/GW, Great Britain: The special event station GB0BON will be QRV
from Naseby on Jun 16/17 to remember the Battle of Naseby (June 1645).
They will work on 80m-70cm as long as their generators provide power.
QSL via G4XEX (bureau/direct/eQSL).

EU-021, TF, Iceland: Bill,W4TAA, and Pete,VE3IKV, will show up as TF/VX3T
from the south coast of Iceland (WLOTA 2975/Loc HP83SU) from Jun 17-30.
They will work only on 6m with 100 watts and an 8-ele-yagi. They will
also try to activate other Loc fields. QSLs only direct via VE3IKV.

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Jeff,N6GQ, is going to spend his holidays on
Malta (MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113). He will work in holiday style signing
9H3ZZ on the HF bands from Jun 17-29. QSLs direct or via LoTW to N6GQ.

On the occasion of the International Museum weekend in 2012 the special
event station 9H9IMW will be active from the historic city of Valetta
on Jun 16-24. They have an exhibition showing old radio technology
which was provided by Fortunata,9H1ES, and others. More information
about the radios can be found on http://gorga40.tripod.com
QSL direct via 9H9IMS (see QRZ.com).

EU-039, F, Chausey Islands: Chausey Island (DIFM MA-004, DDFM 50, DPF 04,
WLOTA 0424) will be the last stop of Keith's trip from Jun 16-22.
He will work holiday style as F/G3TTC in SSB on 80m/40m/20m/15m.
QSL via G3TTC (bureau/direct).

EU-043, SM6, Goteborg och Bohus/Halland County group: Bernd,DL8AAV, will
show up from Orust Island signing SD1B/6 from Jun 18-30. Listen for
him on the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via DL8AAV.

EU-048, F, Bretagne (Morbihan) Region group: Keith,G3TTC, is handing out
IOTA points from Ile d'Houat (DIFM AT016, WLOTA 1105) signing F/G3TTC/p
in SSB on Jun 14. QSL via G3TTC (bureau/direct).

EU-112, GM/MM, Shiant Islands: Members of the "GMDX Group" will activate
the Shiant Islands as GB5SI from Jun 15-22. They plan to work in CW,
SSB and RTTY on 80m-6m. QSL via MM0BQI.

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West group: Rico,OZ/DO6EBB, will be active on HF from
Fano Island (DIA NS-002, Loc JO45EK) from Jun 17-30.
QSL only direct or via eQSL to DO6EBB.

NA-092, W5, Texas State West: Dave,AC0QG/5, plans to show up again from
South Padre Island (USi TX007S) between Jun 18 and Jul 13. Listen for
him on the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL direct via homecall.
The log will be uploaded also to the LoTW and eQSL.

Lighthouse activities

KH0N LH 1333 Jun 15-18

WFF activities

DLFF: Ric,DL2VFR, provided following information:
The new WFF Directory was published on Jun 1, 2012, and now there are
also these new DLFF areas:
DLFF-138: Nature Reserve Esterweger Dose
DLFF-139: Nature Reserve Duvenstedter Brook
DLFF-140: Nature Reserve Bislicher Island
DLFF-141: Nature Reserve Koenigsbruecker Heide
DLFF-142: Nature Reserve Doeberitzer Heide
DLFF-143: Nature Reserve Waldnaabtal
DLFF-144: Nature Reserve Charlottenhofer Weihergebiet
DLFF-145: Nature Reserve Stadtwald Augsburg
DLFF-146: Nature Reserve Rotwildpark Stuttgart
The special event station DQ125HSB is working in SSB on 2m from the
nature park Harz (DLFF-063) on Jun 16 (1200-1700 UTC). QSL via bureau.

ONFF: The clubstation ON6WL/p will be active on 40m and 20m from the ONFF
area "De Buylaers Lokeren" (ONFF-065) on Jun 17 (0700-1100 UTC).
This activity counts also for the BCA (Belgian Castle award) with the
reference OV-006 and WCA ON-00338. QSL via ON5JE.

SPFF: Zbig,SP2IU/p, plans to activate following WFF areas:
SPFF 129: Nature reserve Szaniecki (Jun 17, starting 0800 UTC)
SPFF 065: Nature reserve Nadnidzianski (Jun 17, starting 1300 UTC)
SPFF 052: Nature reserve Kozubowski (Jun 18, starting 0800 UTC)
Zbig works in CW and SSB mainly on 20m and 40m. QSL via homecall.
The logs will be uploaded also to the WFF LogSearch.

YOFF: YP7P and YR7WFF are working in CW, SSB and digital modes on HF/50 MHz/
VHF/UHF from YOFF-373 (2228m a.s.l., Loc KN15TI) from Jun 14-19.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Unknown 3B8MM 1777
-15Jun 4JS0NG.. 1772/1777
02Jun-17Jun 5B/KC9URR 1783
02Jun-17Jun 5B/KC9UUS 1783
11Jun-22Jun 5H9CP 1783
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-15Jul 8J3XVI 1779
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
15May-31Jul 8N6JAPAN 1783
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
-08Jul 8T1M 1781
16Jun-24Jun 9H9IMW 1784 *
Unknown 9H3XX 1777
17Jun-29Jun 9H3ZZ 1784 *
13Jun-15Jun 9K2KCBB 1784 *
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
06Jun-14Jun A52J.. 1783
10Jun-30Jun A6/DL9WVM 1783
18Jun-13Jul AC0QG/5 1784 *
15Jun-15Jul CG7CWPC 1784 *
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Unknown CR6BWU 1784 *
10Jun-13Jun CS5FAT 1783
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784 *
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
Unknown D3AA 1781
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784 *

Unknown E40VB 1780
-31Dec E720RS 1770
05Jun-24Jun ED3CW.. 1783
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763

01Jun-01Jul EM2012EURO.. 1782
01May-30Jun EM350S 1777
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
Unknown EV1150P 1779
14Jun-22Jun F/G3TTC 1784 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
01Jun-24Jun FO/F4EBT 1782
-Jul FR8NE 1710
08Jun-24Jun FS/K9EL 1783
-Jun G4BJC.. 1779
19May-27Jul G4WAB.. 1780
16Jun-17Jun GB0BON 1784 *
-19Jun GB50CCC 1782
15Jun-22Jun GB5SI 1784 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762

-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
07Jun-14Jun HC1MD 1783
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
12Jun-26Jun IM0/ON7ARQ 1783
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
16Jun-18Jun JA8COE/8 1784 *
Unknown JT5NM 1781
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY9ET 1779
10Jun-30Jun K6ZRH/DU1 1783
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
15Jun-18Jun KH0N 1784 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680

Jun LU4ZS 1784 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
10Jun-24Jun N2W 1783
15Jun-17Jun N8OFS/p 1784 *
-15Aug NR4CB 1780
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Unknown OD5NJ 1874*
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
17Jun ON44WAR 1784 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
17Jun ON6WL/p 1784 *

17Jun-30Jun OZ/DO6EBB 1784 *
-28Jun PA300BPM 1784 *
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784 *
-31Jul R200BS 1783
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
01Jun-30Jun R73EPC.. 1783
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
16Jun-17Jun RZ1CWC/p 1784 *

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
18Jun-30Jun SD1B/6 1784 *
16Jun-17Jun SE2EE 1784 *
15May-15Jun SF0530COH 1783
11Jun-13Jun SM1/JH8SGR 1783
01Jun-01Jul SN2012GD.. 1782
17Jun-18Jun SP2IU/p 1784 *
28May-17Jun SV8/N6GQ 1781
-31Jul SX135HRC 1784 *
-13Jun T6JM 1764
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767/1781
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
15Jun-19Jun TF/DL4AOJ 1784 *
17Jun-30Jun TF/VX3T 1784 *
Unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
03Jun-17Jun TM24H 1783
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779
-10Jun TM6GAL 1782
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755

-31Aug UE80C 1784 *
Jun V31WU.. 1782
-Jun V73/AF6SU 1784 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Jun-15Jul VC2L 1784 *
18Jun-02Jul VC390IC 1784 *
Jun VC3E 1782
-24Jun VC3O 1782
01Jun-31Jul VK100WIQ 1783
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782
30Jun-09Jul VP2MSR 1782
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
15Jun-15Jul VX3ROYL 1784 *
15Jun VX3T 1784 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
14Jun-19Jun YR7WFF 1784 *

14Jun-19Jun YP7P.. 1784 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

1A0C via 1A0Z
3Z1BLH via SP1DOZ
3Z0LH via SP1PBW (B)
3Z2012YRY via SP2UUU
5B/KC9UUS via KC9UUS
9A209T via 9A9T
9H9IMW via 9H9IMS
9H3ZZ via N6GQ (d), (L)
9K2KCBB via 9K2RA (d)
A52BA via JK1EBA (B)
A52JY via JA1JQY (B)
A52MA via JA3MCA
A52VE via JF1OCQ (B)
A62A via IZ8CLM (B)
AY8A via LU8ADX (B)
AC0QG/5 via AC0QG (d), (L)
CG7CWPC via VE7Ess (B)
CR6BWU via CT1BWU (B)
CT8/DK7LX via DK7LX (B)
CY0/VE1AWW via VE1AWW (B)
DA0LSW via DM3ZF (B)
DQ125HSB (B)
EA2/DL6ZFG via DL6ZFG (B)
EA5/ON4CAU via ON4CAU (B)
EA5HJY via EA7HBC (B)
EA6/DK5IR via DK5IR (B)
ED3CW via EB3CW (B), (L), eQSL
ED5ATK via EA5ATK (B), (L), eQSL
ED5FL via EA5FL
ED5HAB via EA5HAB (B), eQSL
ED5JC via EC5JC (B)
ED5KB via EA5KB (B)
ED8DD via EA8DD (B), eQSL
EG2DSF via EA2DGP (B)
EG3EPC (L), eQSL, HRDLOG
EG4ANA via EA4AUG (B)
EH7MCB via EB7CVL (B)
EM4IFF via US5IQ
EN2012LTX via UR4LTX (B)
EN5RFF via UT1RT
F/G3TTC via G3TTC (B)
F/I1UWF via I1UWF (B)
F5KTC/p via F5KTC

F8DYD/p via F8DYD (B)
FM1FV via W3HNK (d)
GB0BON via G4XEX (B)
GB5SI via MM0BQI (B)
HA/DL2GK via DL2GK (B)
HF40BAZ via SP2PZH
HG3R via HA3NU (B)
HZ1TT via IZ8CLM (B)
IF9/IK4YCQ via IK4YCQ
II9AS via IT9JPW (d)
J48SAI via SV1RK (B)
JA8COE/8 via JA8COE (B)
JY9ET via M0OXO (B), OQRS, (L)
JD1BMG/JD1 via JA2MET
KD8PZO/1 via KD8PZO (B)
KH0N via JA6CNL (B)
KP4BD via NP3O (d)
LS1D via AC7DX (B) (*)
LU4ZS via LU4DXU (B)
LZ7S via LZ2HM (B)
LZ8E via LZ2BE (B)
M3W via G4FAL (B)
N8OFS/p via N8OFS (d), eQSL
NL8F via K8NA
OD5NJ via EA5BYP (B)
OG1M via OH1VR (d)
OG8N via OH6CT
OJ0MC via OH6MC (B)
ON44WAR via ON7RY
ON6WL/p via ON5JE(B)
OZ/DO6EBB via DO6EBB (d)
PA300BPM via PD2GSP
R1150TV via R3ID
R11GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R12GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R22GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R3GOFF via R3GO
R44GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R55EPC via R9CBA (B)
R66GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R73EPC via RK3DSW
R73GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R77GGGR via UA6MM (B)
RZ1CWC/p via RN1CW (B), (L)
SE2EE via SM2TOS
SF0530COH via SM0PSO
SF2BRN via SA2BRN (B)
SN0WFF via SP5X (B)
SN755BLONIE via SP5KOG (B)
SP2IU/p via SP2IU (B)

SV/OE2KMM via OE2KMM
SV8/PD0ARI via PD0ARI (B)
SX135HRC via SV1EOS (B), eQSL
SD1B/6 via DL8AAV (B)
SE1TDE via SM1TDE (B)
SN755BLONIE via SP5KOG (B)
TF/DL4AOJ via DL4AOJ (B)
TF/VX3T via VE3IKV (d)
TM5BBC via F2UW
UA4M via RN4LP (B)
UE80C (B)
V31DV via AF6WU
V31IZ via JO1CRA (B)
V31WU via AF6WU
V73/AF6SU via G3ZVW (B)
VC2L via VE2NHK (B)
VC390IC via VE3NQK (d)
VX3ROYL via VE3NOO (B)
VX3T via VE3IKV (d)
XV2W via W6NWS (B)
XV9NPS via JA2NPS
XX9TBM via EB7DX (d)
YO3KIA via YO3JR (B)
YP0CD via YO5BFJ (B)
YP1WFF via YO3JW (B)
YP7P via YO7LFV
YR7WFF via YO7LFV
YT2R via YU1AU
YU0T via YU1WS
ZP7/JE1LGY via JE1LGY
ZQ2FX via G3RFX (B)
ZZ190GOB via PT2OP (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: 3C6A (EA5BYP), HK0NA (via GDXF-QSL-Service)

QSLs arrived bureau: 4W6A (M0URX), 6W1RW, 9Q50ON, 9V1SV, 9W2ESM,
A61AS (YO3FRI), BU2AU, C6ABK (OH2BR), F6BEE, FK8CP,
HH2/OE7NHT (OE7NHT), IR9ITALY, J28AA (K2PF),
P29VEK (JA8VE), PP1CZ, PY3BSG, PY5APTJ3AY (F5LGE),
TM55M (F5RJM), TN2T (M0URX), TY1MS (PA3AWW),
V85/UA4WHX (UA4WHX), VK9CX (DL7AFS), ZL8X (DJ2MX),
YU/ZL1SLO (ZL1SLO), ZM4T

DXer arrested on espionage (update)

According to Baldur,DJ6SI, himself, he was not accused of espionage.
He was accused of
1) making radio communications without the consent of the Greek authorities
2) operating a transceiver which can receive also non-HAM frequencies.
Later they added a point this he was not willing to hand over his laptop
for the contents to be checked. In the hearing of June 8 they only kept the
charge up of destroying his notebook for the purpose of destruction of
evidence. This point is judged later.

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, OPDX Bulletin, DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DH5NBK,
DJ5AV, DJ5IH, DJ9ZB, DK7YY, DL1SBF, DL4AOJ, DL7MAE, DL7VOA, EU1EU, NG3K,
F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, VA3RJ, VA3TET and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

966. eHam.net News for Tuesday 12 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-12 22:53:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b114b10b04c24e540f@google.com>
Source record: 2783
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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QA's Amateur Radio Operators Take Part in 'Art of the Deals':

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 05:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28458

CENTREVILLE The Queen Anne's Amateur Radio Club (QAARC) operators will demonstrate some of their communication equipment and provide information about amateur radio and their club at the "Art of the Deals" from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 16, in the Courthouse Square, Centreville. Amateur radio operators using small transceivers with very low power (known as QRP) will demonstrate how to communicate with other amateurs around the world using inexpensive, low power equipment and antennas. Two devices for local communication will also be demonstrated. One is a tiny two-watt transceiver the size of a cigarette pack that is used to communicate on both very high (VHF) and ultra high frequencies (UHF) for unit-to-unit communication or via a repeater that retransmits the signal at much higher power. The second device is a "go-kit" contained in a cat-litter container. This transceiver also operates on VHF and UHF with power as high as 50 watts. It can be a self-contained base station.

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Invitation to Join Volusia County ARES:

Posted: 10 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28457

Open invitation to join VARES(Volusia Amateur Radio Emergency Services)

967. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 12 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-13 02:22:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b15d8a7604c25141a8@google.com>
Source record: 2784
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Slidell 'ham radio' operators invite public to see them in action - NOLA.com

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 03:15 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHBlyw7mWMryO3Z3r9b9fL-AN7g0w&url=http://www.nola.com/community/st-tammany/index.ssf/2012/06/slidell_ham_radio_operators_in.html

NOLA.com
Slidell ham radio operators invite public to see them in action
NOLA.com
A handful of the members of the Ozone Amateur Radio Club were holed up in locations throughout eastern St. Tammany — the hospital that now is Ochsner - North Shore, the National Weather Service office off Airport Road, a private residence in Pearl ...

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Ham radios to mark carousel's 100th - Burnaby NewsLeader

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 10:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE6f4xDv1UmODijtLXYguUgoPay8g&url=http://www.burnabynewsleader.com/news/158504835.html

Ham radios to mark carousels 100th
Burnaby NewsLeader
By Wanda Chow - Burnaby NewsLeader Eric Stapleton is doing his best to connect fans of carousels and ham radios this weekend. A member of the Burnaby Historical Society and a director of the Burnaby Amateur Radio Club, Stapleton wanted to combine his ...

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Tefilo Stevenson, Cuban Boxing Great, Dies at 60 - New York Times

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 07:04 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGRHJzGHLYRVnNr30SjfcXq4s7Bpg&url=http://www.nytimes.com/2012/06/13/sports/teofilo-stevenson-cuban-boxing-great-dead-at-60.html

New York Times
Teófilo Stevenson, Cuban Boxing Great, Dies at 60
New York Times
The cause was a heart attack, the government-run Radio Havana Cuba said. Stevenson was a formidable heavyweight fighter, standing 6 feet 5 inches, weighing 220 pounds and wielding a powerful right hand. In the 1970s and early 80s, when Cuba emerged as ...
Triple Olympic-World Boxing Champion Teofilo Stevenson DiesSolvisión

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Radio Amateur VK5ZAI on TV show - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 11:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFvCUygRSIeYlZRa0taUBe8GHkRLg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/radio_amateur_vk5zai_on_tv_show.htm

Radio Amateur VK5ZAI on TV show
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
This video shows Tony Hutchison VK5ZAI on the Channel 7 Today Tonight TV show talking about amateur radio and the ARISS schools program. The show provides some great insights as to how Amateur Radio can provide support for NASA as well as raise public ...

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Field Day planned for amateur radio - Youngstown Vindicator

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 08:38 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGbMDjnI5RVzhcGrE8ft2n1_DfEww&url=http://www.vindy.com/news/2012/jun/09/field-day-planned-amateur-radio/?nw

Field Day planned for amateur radio
Youngstown Vindicator
The Western Reserve Amateur Radio Club will conduct its 2012 ARRL Field Day exercises beginning at 2 pm June 23 and 24 at Elser Airport, 10800 Sharott Road. Club members will join hams throughout Ohio and across the United States in this annual event.

and more

968. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 13 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-13 11:04:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
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Source record: 2785
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6098P7Z06IY/ham_con.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Conference takes place at the West
Tyrone Amateur Radio Club this Saturday, June 16

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Send your name/callsign into space on F-1

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Txr0U9MdSIY/send_your_name_callsign_into_space_on_f1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is the last opportunity to send your name, callsign and a message into
space on the amateur radio CubeSat F-1 due to launch to the ISS July 21

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SimpleSat Look Down v1.0 now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KcIBZUdWUgY/simplesat_look_down_now_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

SimpleSat Look Down is a free, easy-to-use software app for satellite
tracking

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Winter VHF-UHF Field Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S3Cg-RT9IQQ/winter_vhf_uhf_field_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Australia's Winter VHF-UHF Field Day will be held over the weekend of June
23 and 24

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Being 'bad' once again

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q_i6PCgTbRM/being_bad_once_again.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The team who were so 'bad' at Cape Liptrap last August have decided to be bad again! VK3BAD that is

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BBC is developing 3D radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/d8htNFajU2A/bbc_is_developing_3d_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Engineers at the BBC are developing new technology to broadcast radio and television programmes with three-dimensional sound

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EFC 2012 on the air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SP3bk30KLa8/efc_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for many stations (and we do mean many - too many to list) from the Ukraine and Poland to be active during the 'European Football Championship 2012' between now and July 5th

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How to make a human beam

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mKsZCK_gaPg/how_to_make_a_human_beam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Before tonight's (12 June) 70cm UKAC contest, the Camb Hams decided to do a quick bit of operating on 6m, as the band was wide open. Rather than putting together a full beam, they had another idea..

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Vatican Radio: New Communications Strategies

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oFCVOGH53YQ/vatican_radio_new_communications_strategies.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Announcing Vatican Radio’s intention to reduce its Short and Medium Wave transmissions to most of Europe and the Americas, starting July 1st, the Director General, Fr Federico Lombardi, today spoke of what he called, 'A new chapter in the history of Vatican Radio' as it evolves 'from Short Waves to new communications strategies'

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Kuwait Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YH6ZT3POq2g/kuwait_special_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active with the special callsign, 9K2KCBB, between June 13-15th

969. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 13 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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The June VHF Contest

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 06:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350006-The-June-VHF-Contest&goto=newpost

Did Everybody had a Good time Talking on Different Bands and talking into
different qrid Sqares around the USA? and talking to the Ham Operator's.

I talked to two different Hams around my area EM 87 and Also I talked to
EM96 Three times on 2 meter SSB and That was my firstime giving points to
them.

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Hams Invited to Participate in 1960s Nostalgia Net

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 01:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349974-Hams-Invited-to-Participate-in-1960s-Nostalgia
-Net&goto=newpost

Hams who are also interested in 1960s music and television programming are
invited to participate in "The 1960s Pop-Rock Music and TV Shows Net" each
Wednesday at 7:30 pm Mountain Time on the 224.500 repeater located atop Mt.
Lemmon in Tucson. Amateurs not having 220 equipment and/or living outside
southcentral Arizona may join the Net either via SKYPE or Echo Link. If you
are a '60s aficionado, please join us for the Net! For SKYPE or Echo Link
connection information, please contact the Net VOIP Host, KE7GRV (Terry)
at: TR-RYAN@COX.NET

73',

John N7LQR

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4x4HAM Field Day Invitation

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 11:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349953-4x4HAM-Field-Day-Invitation&goto=newpost

http://www.4x4ham.com/

If you can't make it in person, be sure to listen for W7AZO "Off Road and
On The Air"

4x4 Ham Field Day - June 22-24, 2012

Please join the 4x4 Ham group for ARRL Field Day June 22-24, 2012. You can camp all weekend with us or just stop in Saturday or Sunday. This is our 4th year operating Field Day on the Mogollon Rim. In that time, we've become the BEST and biggest Field Day site in Arizona!

ARRL Field Day is held the 4th full weekend of June each year. The Field Day objective is to work as many stations as possible on any and all amateur bands (excluding the 60, 30, 17, and 12-meter bands) and to learn to operate in abnormal situations in less than optimal conditions. Bonus points are given for operating without commercial power, using technologies like solar/battery combinations, portable generators, etc.

We will be providing all the radios, antennas, and other equipment needed. If you have your own, feel free to bring it. We will have many Extra class control operators on site, so if you are a Technician, General, or even someone interested in ham radio, but no license yet, you can join us and operate with Extra class privileges. We are also hosting a testing session Saturday at 9am, so pre-register for that if interested. As always, we'll eat well with group breakfast and potluck dinner on Saturday. The site is not difficult to access and is RV and trailer friendly.

If you are a interested in ham radio or newly licensed Technician, this is an excellent event to attend to get hands on experience. Throughout the weekend we'll be providing radio tutorials and many learning opportunities. We plan to operate/demonstrate many modes including SSB, CW (Morse Code), APRS, PSK31, NTS radiogram traffic, satellite contacts, etc. All activities are family friendly, so bring them along.

For directions and all other information related to the 4x4 Ham Field Day site, follow this link.
http://www.4x4ham.com/forumdisplay.p...-Ham-Field-Day

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Vulcan Bomber Special Event GB60VUL

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 05:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349912-Vulcan-Bomber-Special-Event-GB60VUL&goto=newpost

Thank you to all those stations who called the recent special event call GB60VUL.

We had a tremendous support from stations all around the world. The event took place over a four week period at various locations, both public

and home stations. We worked nearly 4000 sations from 79 countries and had over 8000 hits on the QRZ database.

Further details on the Vulcan Bomber can be found at
http://www.vulcantothesky.org

Further information on NADARS can be found at

http://www.nadars.org.uk

and coverage in the local Newbury Weekly News can be found at

http://www.newburytoday.co.uk/2012/r...ing-activities

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1A0C - Soon on air!

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 02:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349531-1A0C-Soon-on-air!&goto=newpost

1A0C-CISOM.jpg

Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list. And an activation by an International team looks to celebrate the uniqueness of this event. So, from the 1st to the 4th July, we will listen them on the air as 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

The callsign that will be used belongs to the □The Order of Malta□s Italian Relief Corps (CISOM)□, an organization specialized in bringing assistance and relief during emergencies. This underscores the dual value of this activation. On the one hand, there□s the fun side ham radio, giving a not so easy □new one□ to as many stations as possible (especially from the US and Japan).

On the other hand, however, there□s the noble goal, as often seen in ham radio, where a spirit of cooperation and mutual aid are shared by operators all over the world. The team□s aim, in fact, is to raise funds □ thanks to donations and contributions from QSL requests □ in order to buy radio equipment which The Order of Malta□s Italian Relief Corps volunteers will be able to use in case of emergencies.

The operators list includes: 1A0X, 1A0Z, EA2RY, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F5CWU, IN3ZNR, IT9YVO, IZ8IYX, PB2T, SP3DOI and KH6CG as a pilot for North America and Pacific.

They will be active on HF+6m and the QSLs for contacts with 1A0C can be requested via Francesco Cozzi, 1A0Z.

A website will be online soon, stay tuned!

Attached Images

1A0C-CISOM.jpg
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Amateur Radio Field Day

Posted: 09 Jun 2012 12:37 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349522-Amateur-Radio-Field-Day&goto=newpost

ARRL Field Day is the single most popular on-the-air event held annually in the US and Canada. Each year over 35,000 amateurs gather with their clubs, friends or simply by themselves to operate. It is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate Amateur Radio to local elected community leaders, key individuals with the organizations that Amateur Radio might serve in an emergency, as well as the general public.

Dates- Field Day 2012 will be held June 23-24, 2012. Field Day is always the fourth full weekend of June, beginning at 1800 UTC Saturday and running through 2059 UTC Sunday.

You do not have to be a member of the Club or a registered user of this website to sign up. If you are a member of the club you can register for this site and then sign up for field day using your website username.

. There is no charge for attendance, we would appreciate knowing how many people will be attending. Gifts of cash and volunteer time are needed and will be greatly appreciated. The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, Inc. is a 501(c)7 and gifts are not tax deductible.

970. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 13 June 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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RFinder The World Wide Repeater Driectory now supports Allstar linked repeaters!

Posted: 11 Jun 2012 06:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?349867-RFinder-The-World-Wide-Repeater-Driectory-now-supports-Allstar-linked-repeaters!&goto=newpost

Press Release

06/11/2012

From the QTH of W2CYK

For immediate release

After repeated requests from our users RFinder - The World Wide Repeater directory now fully supports Allstar linked repeaters! The web version already supports realtime node status, followed by Android by end of week. Apple support will follow as soon as Apple "approves" the update.

The WWRD Supporting Allstar is just another step of making The World Wide Repeater Directory, it's third party applications such as RT Systems and CHIRP and of course the RFinder family of programs on iPhone, Android and www, Ham Radio's one-stop-shop for repeater data, no matter what the technology used for repeating radio signals.

RFinder is available in the Apple App Store for iPhone and Google Play/Market for Android; the web version can be found at http://www.rfinder.net.

RT Systems radio programming software for Window is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://www.rtsystemsinc.com

CHIRP is open source software and is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://chirp.danplanet.com

AndroidAllstar.pngScreen Shot 2012-06-11 at 9.21.12 PM.pngScreen Shot 2012-06-11 at 9.04.13 PM.png

Attached Images

AndroidAllstar.png
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Screen Shot 2012-06-11 at 9.21.12 PM.png
(125.5 KB)

Screen Shot 2012-06-11 at 9.04.13 PM.png
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Hurricane Watch Net Enters 47th Season

Posted: 02 Jun 2012 11:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?348642-Hurricane-Watch-Net-Enters-47th-Season&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio□s Hurricane Watch Net is geared up and ready for its 47th year of activity. Formed in 1965 by Jerry Murphy, (Amateur radio call sign K8YUW), during Hurricane Betsy, the Hurricane Watch Net was an informal group of radio amateurs who recognized a need to provide communications to and from hurricane affected areas. Over the years the net has relayed reports in to the National Hurricane Center and just as importantly out to the many Amateur Radio stations located in the path of hurricanes.

While the net continues to use original HF radio frequencies, typically 14.325 MHz, the inner workings have grown with today□s technologies. To the casual listener the net is anchored by a single net control station, but there might be as many as a dozen net control stations located all over the United States and in the islands all connected to an Internet channel while this is going on. This instant □back-channel□ communication helps accommodate the shifting radio coverage on the HF bands. It also helps coordinate operation on multiple HF frequencies. When a maritime Amateur Radio operator or one on an island reports weather conditions in a storm all of those net control stations are listening. At times, the acting control operator will lose propagation and another will pick the report up. The control stations will then coordinate a □shift□ with the better positioned station picking up the net. All together there are 37 control operators, spread from Florida to Arizona to Canada all with the idea of adequate communication into the storm affected area.

The back channel communication also serves as a conversational link to the National Hurricane Center in Miami, FL where hurricane experts can request information and reports from our net stations, and confirm the data we supply.

Many of the tools we use to conduct the net are available to all through the official Hurricane Watch net website, http://www.hwn.org. These tools include color graphics of a storm□s position and forecast direction, conversion tools to handle different measuring standards, and the latest detailed reports and forecasts from the NHC. The HWN is also working to keep a database of our frequent contributors so that we don□t need to repeatedly ask your location and details, but get right to your reporting.

This technology of Internet-relayed satellite pictures, radar positions and statements may raise the question of why maintain contact on □old fashioned□ HF radio. The storms of last year again proved to answer that-

by taking out power, blocking satellite signals and otherwise interrupting technology. As we□ve come to expect, it left the Ham Radio Operator who has the ability to put a signal out with trained, detailed observations to keep the rest of the world appraised.

The primary reason for our overwhelming success over the 46 years of our existence is hundreds of fellow amateur radio operators in the affected area who monitor the storm's progress and voluntarily bring to us that data which is so vitally important. You need not be a member to enable those vital reports to us. Additionally, we often find ourselves needing relay assistance to capture essential information. We always appreciate your cooperation by allowing a clear frequency so that we can hear weak and impaired signals which might be coming from an affected area. For more information on how you can participate in the Hurricane Watch Net, visit http://www.hwn.org.

971. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-13 20:02:27 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
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Source record: 2788
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/ WEEK 24 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-06-13
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

All is prepaired and running well. Outside the hours on the Moon the Team will be qrv for
Tropo and MS as well (any skeds pse Mail to DL9MS).
Callsign VP9I is confirmed (thanks to VP9GI!)
A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!

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** DXCC: IS0: Sardina; square JN48; start 2012-06-16 **

During the next 50 MHz IARU Contest (June 16-17) will be active Marco as IS0BSR/IM0 from JM48FX in Sant?Antioco Isl. (IOTA EU-024).

Setup:
5 el. I0JXX
2 el. DK7ZB
FT857 + PA (500 Watt)

Thank you

SOURCE: tnx to Alex IV3KKW direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: I: Italy; square JN56; start 2012-06-09 **

Steffen DD0VF qrv from JN56RM as IN3/DD0VF in June

This year some mountain hiking in South Tyrol again.
I'll be QRV in the morning and evening for MS. Reasonable
good take off from QTF 40-60 and 180-290 (G/GW shall work
with some offset to south).
Rig: only 50W, 4 or 7el (depending on space of balkony)

I could be also QRV from abt 2500m asl for a few hours
(possible calls IN3/DD0VF, IW3/DD0VF, HB9/DD0VF)

Let me know if you still need JN56.

SOURCE: tnx to Steffen direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VU: India; square ????; start 2012-05-23 **

Until July 8th, Taj, VU2DJ, Sabu, VU2ELJ, Sree, VU2OB, Prabin,
VU2POL, Peeter, VU2PJP, Murali, VU2FWW, Thomas, VU2VJT, Sunil,
VU2ATB, Ashraf, VU3MTY, Mujeeb, VU3WII and Sanal, VU3SIO, will
activate the special call sign 8T1M from 160 - 2 Meter in CW, SSB,
PSK, RTTY, FM and D-STAR. QSL via VU2MLQ.
http://www.malabarradiohams.org/

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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972. eHam.net News for Wednesday 13 June 2012

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eHam.net News

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Slidell 'Ham Radio' Operators Invite Public To See Them In Action:

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28460

Where were you during Hurricane Katrina? A handful of the members of the Ozone Amateur Radio Club were holed up in locations throughout eastern St. Tammany -- the hospital that now is Ochsner - North Shore, the National Weather Service office off Airport Road, a private residence in Pearl River -- doing what they could to keep people throughout the world informed about what really was happening in Slidell.

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Ham Radios to Mark Carousel's 100th:

Posted: 12 Jun 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28459

Eric Stapleton is doing his best to connect fans of carousels and ham radios this weekend. A member of the Burnaby Historical Society and a director of the Burnaby Amateur Radio Club, Stapleton wanted to combine his two passions in marking the 100th anniversary of the C.W. Parker Carousel No. 119 at Burnaby Village Museum. The result is an event that kicks off with the club operating outside the carousel at the museum this weekend, June 16 and 17, when members will talk to ham radio operators at the C.W. Parker Carousel Museum in Leavenworth, Kansas, where the village's carousel was built.

973. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 13 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-14 02:12:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9b6b5bf04c2653867@google.com>
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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'HAM' Field Day - Payson Roundup

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 12:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFXbaosyq_8PrXVnMWaQHNwmkDDgg&url=http://www.paysonroundup.com/news/2012/jun/13/good-2/

HAM Field Day
Payson Roundup
One such group of “hams” is the local 4x4 Ham group and it will be operating a station on the Rim. Non-radio folks are invited to attend and learn about amateur ...
American Radio Relay League holds field dayPress News
Notify Your Neighbors about ARRL Field Day, June 23-24ARRL

all 3 news articles

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Staying connected - So Md News

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 09:29 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHujuTF_H7rt1EAvCdcXfskUiRBdg&url=http://www.somdnews.com/article/20120613/NEWS/706139707/1057/staying-connected%26template%3DsouthernMaryland

Staying connected
So Md News
They are amateur radio operators, and during emergency situations, they ... can fail at any time,” Dickey said, citing the need for ham radio and the field day.

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Stay tuned... - Sequoyah County Times

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 09:21 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFTfmbJ1nNY3oFIytITr7A0s9x8Ig&url=http://www.sequoyahcountytimes.com/view/full_story/18969359/article-Stay-tuned-?instance%3Dhome_news_bullets

Stay tuned...
Sequoyah County Times
Cole was first introduced to the HAM hobby in high school, through a friend of his living next door to an amateur radio enthusiast. The ham invited the

students ...

and more

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Take part in global radio exercise - Cambridge Times

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 07:42 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHSTbrQvZKJDK0BHAwXcd2kEIIpnw&url=http://www.cambridgetimes.ca/news/local/article/1373325--take-part-in-global-radio-exercise

Take part in global radio exercise
Cambridge Times
The Cambridge Amateur Radio Club will be taking part in a North America-wide radio communications exercise June 23 to 24, at Valens Conservation Area.

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Community calendar | Mercer Island Farmers Market bag giveaway - Mercer Island Reporter

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 02:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHYMIGMp3b2iYpec2WCZ9FYx215fA&url=http://www.mi-reporter.com/community/158950155.html

Community calendar | Mercer Island Farmers Market bag giveaway
Mercer Island Reporter
S.E. Learn about amateur radio communications and emergency ... S.E. The Mercer Island Ham Radio Operators are hosting a Ham Radio Field Day. Everyone ...

974. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 14 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-14 11:05:10 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8ff1c900e4e2ac04c26cab04@google.com>
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Ofcom Wireless Telegraphy Regulations 2012 Statement

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Ofcom has published a statement on its decision to make the Wireless Telegraphy Regulations 2012 control interference from apparatus during the London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games

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German radio hams gain access to 472-479 kHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/baZfRMgicRI/german_radio_hams_gain_access_to_472_479%20khz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateurs in Germany are now allowed to operate in the new 472-479 kHz band

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Amateur Radio Kids Day and SR0FLY

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/smjd6POuwgk/amateur_radio_kids_day_and_sr0fly.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders PA2LS reports on Amateur Radio Kids Day, this Saturday, June 16, and the high-altitude balloon SR0FLY

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Newbury Radio Hams Support Vulcan Bomber

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GSX0LjFbGOU/newbury_radio_hams_support_vulcan_bomber.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Newbury Weekly News newspaper reports on the support Newbury radio amateurs give to the Vulcan bomber fundraising activities

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Youth Communication and Resilience Project

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wgckI57HkGM/youth_communication_and_res

ilience_project.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows Caboolture Special School's Emergency Service VTE
(Vocational Technical Education) program students

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Advanced Exam Distance Learning Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AZ62-qyftnM/advanced_exam_distance_learning_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

G0FUW is currently taking enrollments for the Distance Learning course for
the Advanced amateur radio exam

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6L4uaG8kDDw/wca_1406.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve IZ5GST will be active on the 14th of June 2012 from Castillo di
Montasico A Marzabotto

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G7DIE Bicycle Mobile

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Oo1s3D_XATI/g7die_bicycle_mobile.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Stephen G7DIE shows how to ride a bycicle while
simultaneously talking to VK3GJA/M in Australia and shooting a video

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Radio Operators 'Ham' It Up in Beckley

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PCkctYbkg9k/radio_operators_ham_it_up_in_beckley.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

TV station WVNS reports on the First Annual Ham Radio Operator Festival
that took place in Beckley on Saturday

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VSaCRhV9CPU/wca_1306.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW has news of yet more upcoming operations for the World Castles
Award

975. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 14 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-14 11:45:42 UTC
From: "Bazinga ....." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <x9kCr.82690$sD5.39910@fx03.am4>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Spike" <Aero.Spike@S&T.invalid> wrote in message
news:bvhjt7dj41187csa75av798th97kdsh31e@4ax.com...
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> Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed wrote:
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>>Ofcom Wireless Telegraphy Regulations 2012 Statement
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_regulations_2012_statement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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>>Ofcom has published a statement on its decision to make the Wireless
>>Telegraphy Regulations 2012 control interference from apparatus during the
>>London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games
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> I've heard it said that the availability of hotel beds in Weymouth for
> the period of the Games is running at 82 percent.
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> It just might be that there won't be that much to control or
> regulate...and the bands could be quieter than usual...
>
> Spike
>
I'm doing the 100m at the Olympics.....100m from the nearest TV ....

976. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 14 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-14 16:12:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407bd2ced3f04c270f7b3@google.com>
Source record: 2793
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Ham Radio All Talk in Times of Crisis

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 08:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350186-Ham-Radio-All-Talk-in-Times-of-Crisis&goto=newpost

20120614_C8503_PHOTO_EN_15143.jpg

Despite the prevalence of the Internet, Amateur Radio has never failed as a lifeline during times of crisis. To demonstrate this capability, the Central Toronto Amateur Radio Club (aka CenTor) is conducting an Amateur Radio emergency preparedness exercise on June 23 - 24, 2012, which will be open to the public.

Often called "ham radio", Amateur Radio is a non-commercial radio service, which allows licensed operators to use various types of radio communications equipment to communicate with one another, both locally and around the globe, for both public service and recreational purposes. Amateur Radio operators, often referred to as "hams", are federally licensed by Industry Canada and are allowed to use specially allocated radio frequencies to carry out their operations. Hams come from all walks of life and are located all over the world.

"Amateur Radio plays a very important role in the communications capabilities of our modern society", said Peter Dale, President, CenTor, and licensed Amateur Radio operator with the call sign of VE3EYI. "Not only does it facilitate communications during times of emergency or natural disaster, it is also a lot of fun and a great way to learn about electronics and wireless communications, especially for young people", Dale added.

The emergency preparedness exercise being put on by CenTor will be part of an annual event called "Field Day". During this event, hams all over North America will be setting-up emergency stations in public places and communicating with one another over a 24-hour period for points as part of a large North American emergency preparedness contest.

Anyone interested in learning about Amateur Radio and its capabilities is encouraged to attend.

EVENT DETAILS

When

Start: June 23, 2012 @ 8:00am

End: June 24, 2012 @ 2:00pm

Where

Revera Leaside Retirement Living

10 William Morgan Drive, Toronto, ON

The station will be set up on the lawn behind the building and is
accessible from the West parking lot. A visitor reception desk will be
set-up at the station to receive guests.

Who

Members of the public are encouraged to attend this event to see what
Amateur Radio is all about.

For more information about CenTor, please refer to the following website at
http://www.va3cta.net

For further information, contact:

Don Trynor, VA3XFT

Public Relations Coordinator

Central Toronto Amateur Radio Club

Email: trynor@gmail.com

Attached Images

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IQ1SV Memorial Day SS Transylvania.

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 06:40 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350174-IQ1SV-Memorial-Day-SS-Transylvania&goto=newpos
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Memorial Day of British S.S. Transylvania torpedoed in front of the Isle of
Bergeggi

16th - 17th June 2012.

From 07.00 a.m. GMT of June 16th , to 07.00 p.m. GMT of 17th a radio
station is being activated with the call sign

" IQ1SV Special Event SS Transylvania" released to Savona A.R.I. Section
by the Ministero dello Sviluppo Economico Telecomunicazioni.

The radio station will work from two different locations:

- a fixed station located in Saint Elenas Fort on the heights of the town of Bergeggi, 385 metres over the sea level, looking on to the area of the sinking.

- a mobile maritime station located on the G.P.S. coordinates of the wreck.

The multi operator station will work on 10 15 20 40 80 160 meters with CW, phone and digital PSK31 emissions.

Each contact will be confirmed with a special commemorative QSL (QSL manager IQ1SV via Association or direct with IRC c/o P.O. box 133 17100 SV Italy).

A.R.M.I. (Italian Radio Amateur Association) and I.N.O.R.C. (Italian Naval Old Rhythmers Club) will participate to this radio memorial as operators along with the A.R.I. Section of Savona.

See Special event section.

977. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 14 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-14 16:46:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c9363c2bb04c27170ce@google.com>
Source record: 2794
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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SimpleSat Look Down v1.0 now available

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 09:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350058-SimpleSat-Look-Down-v1-0-now-available&goto=newpost

SimpleSat Look Down v1.0 now available

SimpleSat Look Down is a free, easy-to-use software app for satellite tracking.

Written by Tom Doyle W9KE it includes a satellite look down window that displays the view from the satellite looking down at the earth as it moves along.

It uses .NET 4 and runs on Windows 8, Windows 7, Vista and XP.

Tom has released a collection of videos that explain how SimpleSat Look Down works and they can be seen at

http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=8217

You can download SimpleSat Look Down from

http://www.tomdoyle.org/SimpleSatLoo...tLookDown.html

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978. eHam.net News for Thursday 14 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-14 22:22:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb939065204c27603ea@google.com>
Source record: 2795
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hams in Broadcasting:

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 01:27 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28461

Are you employed in a broadcast station? Do you have Echolink, an IRLP or Allstar node or access to one? There is a full time conference bridge that ties all three amateur VOIP systems together, dedicated to "Hams in Broadcasting".

979. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 14 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 03:32:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852b25311804c2799e0d@google.com>
Source record: 2796
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio event planned - Brainerd Daily Dispatch

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 06:59 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH6OhsodB4MJjNMxeL9yEJPnTjkjA&url=http://brainerddispatch.com/news/2012-06-14/ham-radio-event-planned

Ham radio event planned
Brainerd Daily Dispatch
Lyle Amundson of the Brainerd Area Amateur Radio Club (BAARC) said that in the past the news has been full of reports of ham radio operators providing ...
News Transcript
Amateur radio event in Newington this weekendExaminer.com
Commissioners Issue Proclamation For Amateur Radio WeekWMFD.com

all 4 news articles

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Colorado wildfire: Colorado's amateur radio operators fill in wildfire ... - Denver Post

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 12:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF0j7v84p7v4spSV0ySYAyBhQi8vg&url=http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_20852619/colorados-amateur-radio-operators-fill-wildfire-coverage-gaps

Colorado wildfire: Colorados amateur radio operators fill in wildfire ...
Denver Post
A 5:15 a.m. phone call Sunday asked amateur radio operator Randy Long to find ... Mountain and started rallying more licensed ham operators to work the fire.

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Midland Amateur Radio Club plans field day, hamfest - Midland Daily News

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 07:33 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGF22w2QV0ChZsHzK_5ND3f56r8nA&url=http://www.ourmidland.com/news/article_e23a2df4-b62c-11e1-962c-001a4bcf887a.html

Midland Amateur Radio Club plans field day, hamfest
Midland Daily News
The Midland Amateur Radio Club will host a field day on June 23 and 24 to raise awareness of the contributions amateur radio operators make in the ...

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Nutley club reactivates USS Ling's radio room in Hackensack -
NorthJersey.com

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 10:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH9NueQ0c_Mg5brEu6f-cTSCuao0w&url=http://www.northjersey.com/community/159004405_Club_reactivates_Ling_radio_room.html

NorthJersey.com
Nutley club reactivates USS Lings radio room in Hackensack
NorthJersey.com
Brazil, Germany, Russia, France, Belgium and all around the world HAM radio enthusiasts contacted the Nutley Amateur Radio Society, who broadcast recently ...

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ALLGEIER HOLDING AG : FREQUENCIES - AMATEUR RADIO ... - 4-traders

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 08:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHNhcS3k6T3ifg6rdpnHSedT9l2hA&url=http://www.4-traders.com/news/Allgeier-Holding-AG-FREQUENCIES-AMATEUR-RADIO-SERVICE--14370532/

ALLGEIER HOLDING AG : FREQUENCIES - AMATEUR RADIO ...
4-traders
ARCEP publishes the contributions to the public consultation on the terms governing the use of frequencies by amateur radio service stations. ...

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Amateur Radio Kids Day and SR0FLY June 16 - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 12:27 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4jDUUnJKE0aX_JsHdEpRUnHDy4w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/amateur_radio_kids_day_and_sr0fly.htm

Amateur Radio Kids Day and SR0FLY June 16
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
On the occasion of the Amateur Radio Kids Day on June 16, 2012, there will be a ... window to promote the terrestrial hobby and ham radio satellite operations to ...

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Horrible noise results in for Radio 4 amateur scientist - BBC News

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 06:35 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEoqD6rwN7b05vUIcNRO-JCMDsdjQ&url=http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-18439750

Horrible noise results in for Radio 4 amateur scientist
BBC News
The results are in for a Radio 4 amateur science experiment on horrible sounds - and women hate them more than men.

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 13 Jun 2012 11:36 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFZMWSJ6qSurxV3nLLOaYRmtyLHZg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/wca_1306.htm

Amateur Radio World Castles Award
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
More upcoming operations for the World Castles Award.

980. [RAC-Bulletin] MEDIA RELEASE 2012-3 - Ham Radio Operators Prepare to Support ManitobaMarathon

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 04:56:20 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FDAC01E.1010106@rac.ca>
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MEDIA RELEASE 2012-3 - Ham Radio Operators Prepare to Support Manitoba
Marathon*

2012-06-14

Winnipeg 14 JUN 2012 • Over eighty-five Amateur Radio Operators and supporting personnel will be providing volunteer communications support for the Manitoba Marathon this Sunday. Amateur Radio Operators have been involved in the Manitoba Marathon for more than thirty-two (32) years.

The Manitoba Marathon is the largest scheduled annual Amateur Radio activity in Manitoba. Every Ham Radio club and organization in the Winnipeg area is involved. This reflects the large public service component of the hobby which includes providing emergency communications in times of natural disasters and in the event of the failure of the regular communication facilities. Ham Radio operators have provided this essential service for everything from local flooding and fibre-optic cable cuts to earthquakes in New Zealand and tsunamis in Japan.

Amateur Radio Operators will be stationed at almost every Hospitality Station along the race route as well as staffing a number of course vehicles including those providing mobile medical communications.

To learn more about the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, go towww.winnipegares.ca <http://www.winnipegares.ca/>.

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Jeff Dovyak VE4MBQ
Emergency Coordinator
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Pager: 1-888-572-3960

Jim Sutton VE4SIG
Public Information Officer
ve4sig@rac.ca <mailto:ve4sig%3E@rac.ca>
Cellular: 1-204-941-1356

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

981. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event Station CK6S July 5 - 15, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 05:23:59 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FDAC6C9.3020901@rac.ca>
Source record: 2798
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

Special Event Station CK6S July 5 - 15, 2012
2012-06-12

CK6S - Special Event Station for the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary Sta
mpede

The Calgary Amateur Radio Association will be operating special event sta
tion CK6S, from July 5 to 15th celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the C
algary Stampede.

A special QSL card will be available through the QSL bureau or direct, fo
llowing the CK6S/VE6AO QSL instructions on QRZ.com.

Planned frequencies are in the general portion of the US phone bands arou
nd 3.825, 7.180, 14.250, 21.320 & 28.475 +-QRM

All amateurs within the City of Calgary can also use special prefixes CJ6
for VA6 and CK6 for VE6 for the same period.

Work 10 Calgary stations and you can qualify for the Stampede City Award,
illustrating the chuckwagon races: http://cara.memberlodge.com/Default.a
spx?pageId=5198

73,

Michael Ross, VE6TC
Calgary Amateur Radio Association

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu=bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

982. The ARRL Letter for June 14, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 06:15:26 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120615025651.919BD27D30E@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: NOTIFY YOUR NEIGHBORS ABOUT ARRL FIELD DAY, JUNE
23-24

It's not too late to get information about your ARRL Field Day
<http://www.arrl.org/fieldday> activities out to the public. ARRL Field
Day -- the largest on-the-air operating event -- is the one of the best
opportunities of the year for showing our Amateur Radio capabilities to
the public. ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP,
notes that the ARRL has made many media materials available for local
use: "Our visibility to the public is important in antenna, band
preservation and texting issues, so we encourage you to use this
opportunity to showcase what Amateur Radio can do," he said. Download
an audio PSA <http://p1k.arrl.org/pub/pr/Field%20Day/> that can air on
local radio stations. Send out a press release or invite your local
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officials
<http://www.arrl.org/files/file/Field-Day/2012/2012-FD-PR-Info-V2.pdf>
to your Field Day site. Send high-definition video files
<http://p1k.arrl.org/pub/pr/> suitable for airing to your local
television stations. Get more information on ARRL Field Day, including
the 2012 ARRL Field Day logo and operating tips here
<http://www.arrl.org/field-day>. Looking for a Field Day station near
you? Find one here <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator>.

==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: W1AW ANNOUNCES 2012 FIELD DAY BULLETIN SCHEDULE

Stations active during ARRL Field Day -- June 23-24 -- are eligible
to receive 100 bonus points for copying the special Field Day bulletin
transmitted by W1AW (or K6KPH on the West Coast). You must include an
accurate copy of the message in your Field Day submission. The Field
Day bulletin must be copied via Amateur Radio; it will not be included
in Internet bulletins sent out from Headquarters and will not be posted
to Internet BBS sites.

W1AW will operate on the regularly published frequencies. The special
PSK31 bulletin will be transmitted on the regular W1AW digital
frequencies:

- CW frequencies: 1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975, 21.0675,
28.0675 and 147.555 MHz.
- Digital frequencies (includes PSK31 and MFSK16) using 45.45-baud
Baudot: 3597.5, 7.095, 14.095, 18.1025, 21.095, 28.095 and 147.555 MHz.
- Phone frequencies: 1.855, 3.990, 7.290, 14.290, 18.160, 21.390,
28.590 and 147.555 MHz.

The Maritime Radio Historical Society's K6KPH will transmit the 2012
W1AW Field Day message for the benefit of West Coast stations on
3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975 and 21.0675 MHz, CW only. The
frequencies for K6KPH Digital (RTTY, BPSK31 MFSK16 and FEC AMTOR) will
be 7.095 and 14.095 MHz. Click here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-2012-field-day-bulletin-schedule>
for the complete schedule.

==> + DIGITAL EDITION OF JULY QST AVAILABLE JUNE 15

The digital version of the July QST will be available to ARRL members
on Friday, June 15. The digital version includes many features not
available in the print version, such as:

- An expanded look at the Dayton Hamvention® (including a look at
the many new products that were introduced).
- Product Review videos on the Alinco DJ-G29T dual-band handheld
transceiver and the WaveNode WN-2d station monitoring system.
- Audio from "A Transceiver Comes Home," by QST Editor Steve Ford,
WB8IMY.
- Links to the winning videos from the 2012 QST Video Contest.

Watch your e-mail inbox for a link to the digital edition of the July issue of QST.

==> + FCC NEWS: MIGNON CLYBURN RENOMINATED FOR NEW TERM AS FCC COMMISSIONER

On June 6, President Barack Obama announced that he will nominate Mignon Clyburn for a new five-year term as one of five FCC Commissioners. Clyburn, a Democrat, came to the Commission in August 2009, filling the unexpired term of Republican Deborah Taylor Tate, whose tenure as a Commissioner came to a close in January 2009. Clyburn's current term expires June 30, 2012. "In renominating Commissioner Clyburn, President Obama has made an outstanding choice for the Commission and for the American people," said FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski. "As I know from working with her for the past several years, Commissioner Clyburn is a strong leader, focused on helping all Americans harness the benefits of broadband. I congratulate her." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/president-obama-announces-nomination-of-mignon-clyburn-for-new-term-as-fcc-commissioner>.

==> + GETTING LICENSED: NEW AMATEUR EXTRA CLASS QUESTION POOL EFFECTIVE JULY 1

The new Amateur Extra class (Element 4) question pool <http://www.ncvec.org/page.php?id=358> -- released by the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC <http://www.ncvec.org/>) in January 2012 -- becomes effective on Sunday, July 1. The current Amateur Extra class pool expires on June 30, 2012 and cannot be used after that date. This new question pool -- including graphics and diagrams -- will remain valid until June 30, 2016. The new Amateur Extra pool contains 702 questions, from which 50 are selected for an Element 4 examination. As of June 13, three questions -- E1D09, E2A14 and E6E10 -- have been removed <http://www.arrl.org/withdrawn-questions> from the new pool. The current Technician class question pool <http://www.ncvec.org/page.php?id=349> that became effective July 1, 2010 is valid through June 30, 2014. The current General class pool <http://www.ncvec.org/page.php?id=350> that became effective July 1, 2011 is valid until June 30, 2015.

==> + CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR ARRL DIRECTORS AND VICE DIRECTORS FOR CENTRAL, HUDSON, NEW ENGLAND, NORTHWESTERN AND ROANOKE DIVISIONS

The ARRL is governed by its Board of Directors. A voting Director is chosen by ballot by the full (licensed) members in each of the 15 ARRL divisions. Vice Directors -- who serve in the absence of the Director from a Board meeting and succeed to the position of Director should a vacancy occur -- are chosen at the same time. Elections are held in five divisions per year. It only takes 10 full members in a division to nominate a candidate for either office.

This fall, ARRL members in the Central, Hudson, New England, Northwestern and Roanoke Divisions will have the opportunity to choose a Director and a Vice Director for a three year term that starts January 1, 2013. Beginning in 2012, ARRL members in Divisions where there are contested elections will be able to vote electronically. Members with valid e-mail addresses in their membership profiles will be sent instructions on how to vote by e-mail; members without e-mail addresses, or whose e-mails bounce, or who request a paper ballot, will be sent a ballot by postal mail as in the past. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/call-for-nominations-for-arrl-directors-and-vice-directors-for-central-hudson-new-england-northweste>.

==> + ARDF UPDATE: TEAM USA FORMING AFTER USA ARDF CHAMPIONSHIPS

By ARRL ARDF Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV

From DXing to microwaves, nearly every facet of our hobby has its competitions. But there are no more ardent contesters than the ones who take to the fields and forests to see who can locate the greatest number of radio transmitters in the shortest time. They call themselves foxhunters, foxtailers, radio-orienteers and ARDFers. Each year, they come together from around the country to see who is best. Every two years, the best from each country gather to see who is tops in the world. The 12th USA ARDF (Amateur Radio Direction Finding) Championships took place May 30-June 3 near Mt Laguna, California. In September, the 15th ARDF World Championships will get under way at the resort city of Kopaonik, in central Serbia. Standard rules and procedures of the International Amateur Radio Union govern these competitions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ardf-update-team-usa-forming-after-usa-ardf-championships>.

==> PAPERS REQUESTED FOR ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

Amateurs are invited to submit technical papers for presentation at the 31st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC <http://www.tapr.org/dcc>), to be held September 21-23, 2012 at the Sheraton Gateway Airport Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. These papers will also be published in the Conference Proceedings (you do not need to attend the conference to have your paper included in the Proceedings). The submission deadline is July 31. Please send papers to: Maty Weinberg, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111, or you can make your submission via e-mail <maty@arrl.org>. For more information about the conference, see the DCC website <http://www.tapr.org/dcc> or call 972-671-8277.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "All for the love of sunshine <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T7ZLEQ3MCZA>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity was lower this week, although for the past few days, sunspot numbers and solar flux were rising. The average daily sunspot numbers declined more than 14.3 points to 116.1, while the average

daily solar flux was off by 14.5 points to 115.9. There were five new sunspot groups this week: two each on June 9-10, and one more on June 13. The latest prediction has solar flux at 145 on June 14-16, 140 on June 17-18, 135 on June 19-20, 120 on June 21, 110 on June 22-26, 105 on June 27-28, followed by a climb back to 120 on July 1-12. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on June 14-15, 8 on June 16-17, 10 on June 18-19, 8 on June 20-21, and 5 on June 22-25. The next peak in geomagnetic activity is predicted for July 1-3, with planetary A index at 15, 12 and 10. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, June 15. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Hank Williams Jr's All for the Love of Sunshine <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_for_the_Love_of_Sunshine>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- June 15 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- June 16 - ARRL Kids Day <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>; Feld Hell Sprint; SARL Youth Day Sprint; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- June 16-17 -- West Virginia QSO Party; All Asian DX Contest (CW); Ukrainian DX Classic RTTY Contest
- June 17 -- WAB 50 MHz (Phone)
- June 18 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- June 21 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- June 23-24 -- ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday>; His Majesty King of Spain Contest (SSB); Marconi Memorial HF Contest; Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest
- June 27 -- SKCC Sprint
- June 27-28 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electronics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>,

East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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983. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 15 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 11:08:31 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8ff24a01bb16d004c280d5e9@google.com>
Source record: 2800
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Segment of 2m to be used for Olympics

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZBD8Gu18huQ/segment_of_2m_to_be_used_for_olympics.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has announced that a small block of the amateur radio 144 MHz band is
to be used for the London 2012 Summer Olympic Games

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Ofcom to Police Airwaves during Olympics

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hY21RAlctTI/ofcom_to_police_airwaves_during_olympics.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On The Register Bill Ray assesses Ofcom's statement regarding the Wireless
Telegraphy Act interference regulations for the 2012 Games

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Ham radio operators prepare to support Manitoba Marathon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bTOKYyTjr_4/ham_radio_operators_prepare_to_support_manitoba_marathon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over eighty-five Amateur Radio Operators and supporting personnel will be
providing volunteer communications support for the Manitoba Marathon this
Sunday. Amateur Radio Operators have been involved in the Manitoba Marathon
for more than thirty-two (32) years

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New Amateur Extra Class Question Pool effective July 1

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j16nqHaVGoc/new_amateur_extra_class_question_pool.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The new Amateur Extra class (Element 4) question pool -- released by the
National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) in January
2012 -- becomes effective on Sunday, July 1

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D75HQfwQ1kw/june_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A poor week except for Sunday. A5A (Bhutan), SU9VB (Egypt), ST2M (Sudan, Khartoum Sea Scouts), 4O3M (Montenegro) and ZL2WL (New Zealand) were all up there but TT8PK (Chad) peaked on Sunday

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RAF Signals Museum On-the-Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f7mVufrhaT0/raf_signals_museum_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB4SMH will be operating from RAF Signals Museum at Henlow, Bedfordshire, for International Museums weekend which takes place June 16-17

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3D QSL Cards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4lkAQ7DXVG0/3d_qsl_cards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It seems everything is going 3D these days, Alexander Savenok 4Z5LZ has produced a video of his new 3D QSL card

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 144

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XsBL2d5-IRQ/soldersmoke_amateur_radio_podcast_144.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new episode of the SolderSmoke amateur radio Podcast is available

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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RSGB Regional Manager Alison Johnston at Radio Society of Harrow

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z9PQaAQ7iYs/alison_johnston_at_radio_society_of_harrow.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Society of Harrow are pleased to be hosting Dr Alison Johnston G8ROG, RSGB Region 9 Regional Manager and Don Beattie G3BJ, Acting General

Manager, RSGB

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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NZ4O Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Xdm2LDoi52E/propagation_forecast_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O 'Daily' Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast has been
published on Thursday Jun 14, 2012 at 1300 UTC and is valid for the next 24
hours

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Radio Pridnestrovie (Transnistria) interviews British radio ham

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wSf9hkk1lZM/radio_pridnestrovie_interviews_british_radio_ham.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio PMR, the short wave radio station of the Pridnestrovie Moldova
Republic, recently interviewed Andy, G0SFJ while he was on holiday and
passing through there

984. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 15 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 11:48:53 UTC
From: Thermionic Onion <punkbiscuit@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <675e8ab7-10c9-4a36-985d-1082f988d45b@8g2000vbu.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2801
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Jun 15, 12:08 pm, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
<newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
> Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
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> //
> Segment of 2m to be used for Olympics
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> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZBD8Gu18huQ/segmen...
>
> Ofcom has announced that a small block of the amateur radio 144 MHz band is
> to be used for the London 2012 Summer Olympic Games

Ofcom have not announced anything yet, otherwise there would be an
official
announcement or reference made on the official organ of OFCOM - it's
website !

Like all other announcements they get placed here:-
http://licensing.ofcom.org.uk/radiocommunication-licences/amateur-radio/licensing-updates/

which at the time of writing contains nothing about the 144Mhz band.

The only info floated via an unverified 3rd party of dubious
credentials call RSGB ltd
which if quoted in a court of law wouldn't stand up as a defence for
anything.

So as far as I'm concerned - 2m remains untouched by the Olympics !

985. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1818 - June 15 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 12:20:10 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120615090003.AB6D433C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2802
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1818 - June 15 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1818 with a release date of June 15, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams in Colorado and New Mexico go on high alert as wildfires rage in both states; new problems for a South African ham radio satellite; Brunei says that it is cracking down unlicensed use of ham radio gear; a verdict in the case of Greece vs. DJ6SI and ARRL Field Day 2012 is right around the corner. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1818 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: COLORADO AND NM HAMS STAND BY AS FLAMES RAGE

Ham radio operators in Colorado and New Mexico are on high alert as wildfires whip across areas of both states. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with what we have so far:

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Amateur radio emergency operators in Colorado and New Mexico are on standby alert and a number are already involved in coordinated relief efforts as wildfires rage across mainly wilderness areas of both states.

In Colorado, the best information came on Tuesday night the 12th from Amanda Alden K1DDN. Alden and her husband Jeff, K0JSC, live in Carson City, Colorado. She reported on the Ham Nation Internet TV show that hams further North in the Ft. Collins area are very much involved in providing various types of communications, with APRS markers for the fire areas being one of the major resources.

Alden said that she has been in contact with Eugene Bentz, KI6MPA. He is the EOC operator and resource net control. He told Alden that about 25 assistants are providing communications to the Forrest Service, the Colorado State Patrol, the Larimer County Sheriff, the Red Cross as well as county officials. Also, APRS information regarding fire locations is being posted to both AGW Tracker and APRS.fi. The makers show fire locations as well as EOC's, Incident Command Post and shelter markers. At the time of K1DDN's report that fire was about 15 miles west of the city of Ft. Collins.

Moving south into New Mexico, Jay Miller, W5WHN, in Albuquerque has been in monitoring the work of the hams involved in the Little Bear Fire that erupted on Saturday the 9th. He tells Newsline that Joe Kenmore, K5FBK was in the Lincoln County EOC when this blaze was first discovered. As this newscast is prepared, Gerald Minor, N5RKE, is at the Shelter in Ruidoso and Ed Meyer, WK7ED, is active at the shelter in Capitan.

Currently, the W5BI system at Rio Rancho has been linked receive only at this time the 449.3 to 146.98 on Buck Mountain. This allows Albuquerque and Santa Fe to talk directly to the affected area, if needed. Also the 146.66 MHz NM5ML repeater at Capitan has performed well linking back to all parts of the State.

As we go to air, there has not yet been any mass call-out of hams in either state, and hams involved in emergency communications groups were told on the 13th not to self deploy. But the word is to have their go kits ready and to be ready to provide assistance as is needed.

More information as we get it.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles. Jim.

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According to fire officials it will be some time before these fires are contained and controlled. We will have updates in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ARNewsline(tm), TWIT.TV, W5WHN)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BATTERIES FAIL ON SUMBABDILLASAT

More problems for the South Africa built SumbabdilaSat ham radio satellite. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, tells us the latest on the seemingly problem prone bird:

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South Africa Amsat reports that the satellites batteries on SumbandilaSat have failed which means that the satellite is only active when the solar panels are illuminated.

The report from SA-Amsat says that the satellite recovery team at SunSpace is still incrementally reading back the program code from the nine power modules. This, in an effort to determine the extent of the problem. But with SumbandilaSat going through eclipses, the satellite is not available for as long each day as the team would like.

According to Johann Lochner, ZR6CBC, because of the shorter illumination of the solar panels in the Southern hemisphere winter and poor orientation of the satellite with respect to the sun, progress is much slower than originally anticipated. Lochner said that there where three passes to work with in January but this month they currently have

one.

That said, ZR6CBC says that SumbandilaSat is responding when it is in full sunlight. As such, the recovery team is confident that some operations will be restored. He says that it may even be possible to do some imaging and have the amateur radio transponder back in operation. However, no one will speculate as to when.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Updates on the condition of SumbandillaSat can be found on-line at www.amsatsa.org.za (SA AMSAT)

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ENFORCEMENT: BRUNEI GOING AFTER UNLICENSED MOBILE OPERATORS

The Brunei government says that it is cracking down on anyone found operating amateur radio gear without government authorization. Members of that nation's citizenry who are convicted of illegal use of amateur radio equipment without a license from the Authority for Info-communications Technology Industry of Brunei Darussalam or AITI will face a maximum fine of 10,000 Brunei dollars, up to three years imprisonment, or both.

This new anti pirate operating campaign appears aimed primarily at those unlicensed individuals who use mobile gear on the VHF and UHF amateur bands. It was announced by the AITI during a briefing on the first of several joint operations with the Berakas Police to crack down on illegal use of radio equipment. The operations involved a dedicated corps of sixteen police personnel and seven AITI officials. (Borneo Bulletin)

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RADIO LAW: DJ6SI VS. GREECE - THE COURT DECISION

A court decision in the case of DXer Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI, who stood trial last week in Greece on three charges involving his operation of an amateur radio station on the vacation island of Kos. The three crimes he was eventually charged with were conducting radio traffic without permission from the Greek Government. Operating a transceiver that covered more spectrum than just the ham radio bands permitted by Greece and his refusal to surrender his equipment to the officer who investigated the incident.

According to a note posted to the Internet by his attorney, Drobnica was acquitted on counts 1 and 2 after the court ruled that he was a properly licensed radio amateur. However he was convicted on the third count of refusing to surrender his equipment to the arresting officer.

No word of what penalties if any were imposed on the single count conviction. However his lawyer is reported to already have filed an appeal on count three and the court is expected to hold a separate trial on this issue at a later date.

Please keep in mind that this report is based on multiple language translations beginning in Greek with some of it electronic. As you all know, the latter have been known to leave you wondering if the translation is completely accurate. One report in translated English is on-line at tinyurl.com/dj6si-verdict. (SV5BYR)

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WORLDBEAT: RADIOSPORT FEDERATION OF AZBERAIJAN APPLIES FOR IARU MEMBERSHIP

The Federation of Radiosport of Azerbaijan has applied for International Amateur Radio Union membership. The IARU Region 1 website reports that the application has found to be in order and a proposal that organization be elected as an IARU member has been put out to vote. Member Societies have been requested to return their vote forms not later than November 1st. The Federation of Radiosport of Azerbaijan was founded back in December of 2001. (IARU Region 1)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WB6VVV repeater serving Lancaster, California.

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HAM HAPPENINGS: POWER OUTAGE AFFECTS HAM-COM PLANO TEXAS

If you are old enough, you may remember 1970's Bobby Russel southern the folk song titled The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia. Well this time it wasn't a song and it took place in Texas when the lights and the air conditioning went out at the Plano Center on Saturday, June 9th. This during the annual Ham Com gathering. Chip Margelli, K7JA, of CQ Magazine was there and gave a brief synopsis of what occurred:

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K7JA: "Well, early in the afternoon the lights in the Plano center went out. They had gone out the previous day and stayed off for about 30 seconds so it was no big deal. But on Saturday they stayed off for quite a while and folks that got onto the Internet to the Plano power company were told it would be 4 hours that the power would be out. S a lot of exhibitors along about 2 o'clock and 2:30 began packing up because it appears as if power was not going to come back on. It came back at about 3:30 or 4 - somewhere in there -but by then some of the

crowd had gone. So it really was quite an impact. The lights were bad enough but the lack of air conditioning really impacted on everyones willingness to stay inside."

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Unlike most ham radio shows that are full weekend events, Ham-Com is held Friday and Saturday that closes both days at 6 p.m. local time. Even so, K7JA says that it was "interesting" to have the lights come back on and discover that many of the other exhibitors had already packed up and left. Not to mention the attendees:

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K7JA: "At the CQ booth we were quite fortunate because we were by an exit, so there was a little bit of light there. We were doing `candle light specials' to entice people to stop by our booth.

"But if was definitely a downer for everybody in the exhibit area. The dealers and especially the manufacturers who'se radios are so dependant on their displays. A lot of the transceiver manufacturers were just stopped dead in the water because they couldn't get their displays to show off all of the neat things that the radios could do."

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At airtime the reason for the power failure has not been announced. According to Chris Boone, WB5ITT, the outage appeared to affect only the convention facility. In a e-mail to Newsline Boone said that all the stores around the convention center were ok and the street lights still worked as well. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIO POLITICS: FCC ANNOUNCES TWO SPECTRUM-SHARING AGREEMENTS WITH MEXICO

A new spectrum sharing agreement between the United States and Mexico for the 800 Mhz and 1 point 9 Gigahertz bands has been negotiated by the FCC.

According to a June 11th press release by the FCC, the new 800 MHz Protocol allots band segments between the United States and Mexico, specifies the technical parameters for operation on these band segments within 68 miles of the common border. It also creates a bi-national Task Force to support the transition of incumbent operators along the border to the new allotment plan.

The new protocol for 800 MHz replaces a previous agreement and paves the way for completion of 800 MHz re-allocation or re-banding by U.S. public safety and commercial licensees operating along the U.S.-Mexico border.

Higher up in frequency, a new protocol for the 1 point 9 Gigahertz band allows the Sprint Nextel Corporation to deploy C-D-M-A service along the border with Mexico. Sprint obtained access to the 1 point 9 Gigahertz band in 2004. This, as compensation for vacating its spectrum holding in the lower segment of the 800 MHz band in accordance with the rebanding project.

The FCC ordered re-banding will alleviate interference to public safety licensees in the band caused by commercial cellular licensees. The relevant documents are available on the International Bureau web site at tinyurl.com/border-agreement. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC RULES THAT STATE COURT CANNOT ORDER RADIO STATION LICENSE TRANSFER

The FCC has ruled that a license issued by that agency cannot be used by a local court to satisfy a debt.

In its finding the commission ruled that a court in Puerto Rico exceeded its authority in ordering a broadcaster to turn over the license of WEGA-AM to help satisfy a financial judgment.

The FCC had been asked to approve the involuntary assignment of the WEGA-AM license to Carmelo Santiago Roman, owner of VI/MAN Broadcasting System Corporation, This, after the local court ordered station owner A Radio Co. to turn over cash, the license and other property to a court-appointed holder pending a final court order in their financial dispute. Both sides then presented arguments to the FCC explaining their legal views about the involuntary license transfer.

Now in issuing a decision, Peter Doyle, who is Chief of the FCC's Media Bureau's Audio Division, stated that his agency retains exclusive authority to license broadcast stations. He noted that when a state court's decision is contrary to commission policy, the commission is neither bound by the state court order nor need take action to allow the order to be carried out.

Doyle continued that a license, unlike a station's physical assets, is not subject to a mortgage, security interest, attachment or similar property right. What's more, licenses are subject to the FCC's consent before any transfer. As such the decision of the court in Puerto Rico to "attach" the license of WEGA-AM is invalid from the outset. (FCC, RW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: RFINDER NOW FULLY SUPPORTS D-STAR LISTINGS

The world wide on-line repeater directory known as RFinder now supports D-Star. This, as a direct result of its editorial staff attending the D-Star forum at the recent Dayton.

According to a press release by the publication, it became apparent that there was a lack of D-Star repeater locating options to the vastly growing population of D-Star user base. As a result, as of May 24th RFinder fully supports D-Star in the directory.

RFinder is available in the Apple App Store for iPhone and Android devices. The web version can be found at www.rfinder.net (RFINDER)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: INTERNATIONAL EME CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN CAMBRIDGE ENGLAND

The 15th International Earth-Moon-Earth or EME conference will be held at Churchill College, Cambridge, between 15 and 19 August. This is the first time that this conference will be held in the United Kingdom and its planners say that this will provide an opportunity to learn about this most technically challenging aspect of the hobby.

The event will be hosted by the UK Microwave Group. In addition to EME-specific lectures there will be presentations on radio astronomy and deep space communications, as both these subjects have much in common with EME.

Two Nobel Physics Laureates from the world of radio astronomy will be present at the conference. Joe Taylor, K1JT, is a keen EME enthusiast and will be presenting a paper on the MAP65 digital mode. His fellow-Laureate Professor Antony Hewish is the speaker at the conference gala dinner on Saturday August 18th.

All those wishing to attend must pre-register for this conference before August 1st. Day passes and a range of accommodation packages from one to four nights are available. See www.eme2012.com for full details. (Amsat-UK)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: DARA ANNOUNCES 2012 - 2013 LEADERSHIP

Some names in the news. The Dayton Amateur Radio Association, sends word from Ron Moorefield, W8ILC, that Ron DuBon, N6JRL, has been re-elected as the organizations President. This at the organizations meeting on Friday, June 1st.

Also retaining their seats on the DARA Board are Secretary Nancy Krodel, KC8RMT; Treasurer Jon Thuermer, KB8SRQ; Senior Trustee Jerry Miller WD8QAI and Junior Trustee Scott Meyers, AC8DE.

Others elected to the DARA board for 2013 are Vice Pesident Reuben Meeks, W8GUC, Meeks had previously served as Dayton Amateur Radio Association President back in 2001 and 2002. (W8ILC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: TWO AWARDS CREATED TO HONOR THE LATE EUGENE ZIMMERMANN, W3ZZ

To honor long-time VHF contester Eugene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, who became a Silent Key on June 3, two new awards have been introduced for the ARRL June VHF Contest in his memory.

First, the ARRL Contest Branch has renamed the plaque for the Overall Winner for the Limited Multi-Operator the Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ Memorial Plaque. Zimmermann had been a very active as part of the K8GP team in this category. At the same time the League issued a special thank you to Jeff Klein, K1TEO, who graciously relinquished his long-time sponsorship of this plaque to allow this to happen.

In addition, a new award has been created, thanks to Tim Duffy K3LR and Dave Zeph, W9ZRX. The W3ZZ Rookie Award will be awarded to the top Single-Op, Low Power score on a minimum of two bands by a "rookie" submitting a log in the contest for the first time. This award is open to any operator that has never submitted a log to the June VHF Contest.

Both of these awards were made available beginning with last weekend's ARRL June VHF Contest. (KX9X, ARRL, VHF Reflector)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARRL FIELD DAY - JUNE 23 AND 24

For those few who are not yet aware, the annual ARRL Field Day takes place each year on the 4th weekend of June. This year the Field Day starts at 1800 UTC on Saturday, June 23rd and runs through 2100 UTC on Sunday June 24th. And while its billed as an emergency preparedness exercise, its also a great chance for you to tell the world about your hobby and the service it provides to the community. Allen Pitts, W1AGP, is the Manager of Media and Public Relations for the ARRL:

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W1AGP: "Its also a chance for us to show off to various legislators and government agencies to remind them that we are here; that we need the spectrum. We provide emergency services and most of all, we have fun doing it."

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Again, these years ARRL Field Day takes place from 1800 UTC on Saturday, June 23rd and runs through 2100 UTC on Sunday June 24th. We hope to hear you on the air. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIOSPORTS: AUSTRALIA VHF-UHF FIELD DAY JUNE 23-24

Meantime, down-under Australia's Winter VHF-UHF Field Day will be held over the same weekend of June 23 and 24. The event runs for 24 hours, but there are also 8 hour sections for operators who may not be able to camp overnight. There are also separate categories for single and multiple operator stations. And if you don't like the cold weather of the Southern hemisphere winter, there is also a separate home station category. More details are on the contest page at wia.org.au (VK3KM)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: PHONESATS SHOWN AT MAY MAKER FAIRE

Turning to ham radio in space related news, some new amateur radio satellites based on cellphones were recently shown to the public at the 2012 Bay Area Maker Faire in San Mateo, California. Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reports:

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Among the displays was one for the PhoneSat amateur radio satellites. These are a pair of ham radio satellites both of which run the Android operating system and will be enclosed in a standard 1U CubeSat structure.

PhoneSat 1.0 cost about $3500 and is built around the Nexus One smartphone. It will operate on battery power only with a mission lifetime of approx 1 week. Its big brother called PhoneSat 2.0 used a Nexus S smartphone and has solar panels on each face for a mission lifetime that should last at least two weeks when it will likely de-orbit.

The IARU has coordinated a frequency of 437.425 MHz for the AX.25 AFSK downlink.

The first launch is scheduled for the third quarter of 2012 on the Antares-110 launch vehicle. It will carry two PhoneSat 1.0 satellites and one PhoneSat 2.0. A second PhoneSat launch is expected to occur sometime in 2013.

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The 2012 Bay Area Maker Faire took place May 19th to the 20th. Several news reports estimate that 65,000 to 70,000 attended this ever growing West Coast event that was held the same weekend as the Dayton Hamvention. (Phonesat Team)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ARISS DIGIPETER MOVES TO 437.550 MHZ

The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS digipeater has changed frequency from 145.825 MHz to 437.550 MHz. Packet operations were moved to the Columbus Module UHF radio when the

Kenwood D700 radio was recently powered off due to needing an additional air purifier to support the recently arrived Automated Transfer Vehicle or ATV.

Normally the air purifier is located in the ATV but recent power support issues necessitated the system be relocated to the Service Module. As a result the purifier is now using the power outlet that the Kenwood radio normally uses.

The Russian team has agreed to briefly power the purifier off for the scheduled ARISS school events but then will re-activate the purifier right afterwards. This appears to be a long term impact as ATV is currently scheduled to depart from ISS in September. (ARISS, AMSAT, N5VHO)

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RADIO IN SPACE: NASA SCRAPS GEMS X-RAY RESEARCH TELESCOPE PROJECT

According to space.com, NASA has cancelled a project to build an X-ray telescope designed to look for black holes, neutron stars, and the remnants of dead star systems and radio the results back to Earth. This due to cost overruns.

The GEMS telescope, short for Gravity and Extreme Magnetism Small Explorer, had a budget of $105 million plus additional costs associated with launching it into space. But what have been termed as soaring development costs caused NASA to scrap the project.

The telescope was reportedly still in the design stage and no hardware had been built when the space agency pulled the plug on the mission. (Space)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: EFC 2012 ON THE AIR.

On the air keep your ears open for numerous special event stations from the Ukraine and Poland to be active during the 2012 European Football Championship 2012 that runs through July 5th. This is an on-the-air activity by Polish and Ukrainian amateurs that are affiliated with PZK and UARL national societies and will use special prefixes such as 3Z2012 from Poland and EM2012 from the Ukraine to mention only two. Operations will be on all the amateur bands and there are two awards which can be earned during this period. More detailed information about their activities can be found on the web at efc2012.pzk.org.pl. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, word that F4EBT will be traveling in the French Polynesia area of the Pacific until 24th June. He is using the callsign FO stroke

F4EBT from at least two different locations in the Islands on the Air OC-046 group and at least four different islands in the OC-067 group. QSLs go via his home call or via the French bureau.

NK8O is working at Mwanza on Lake Victoria, Tanzania and plans to be active as 5H3CP through June 22nd. Activity will be in his spare time with QRP power on various HF bands using CW. QSL direct to his home call.

Lastly, M0AEP under the call VP2MDD will be on the air from Montserrat until August 6th. He says that he will concentrate on 12, 10 and 6 meters. Please QSL this operation as directed on the air.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SHORTWAVE NEWS: WASHINGTON DC GATHERING FINDS NEW INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING INITIATIVES

And finally this week, a large number of the presentations at the recent National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters meeting centered on the idea how shortwave radio can find a place in the 21st century. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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Dismissed by some as a relic of the Cold War era disappearing under the shadow of emerging digital communications, many of the conference's speakers argued that the answer to shortwave's future may reside in providing service to areas of the world with little electric power. Also, that it remains an effective means of relaying information to citizens of countries with repressive regimes. It was noted that because shortwave radio is harder to interrupt than the Internet, Radio Free Asia, the conference host, broadcasts to the highly censored areas like North Korea.

Presenting the results of a study on which audiences were tuning into shortwave across the globe was Dr. Kim Andrew Elliott. Elliott is an audience research specialist. He pointed out that in countries like Nigeria and Zimbabwe, people tended to own more radios than televisions. According to Elliott. 32% of those surveyed face to face in the impoverished, politically tumultuous nation of Zimbabwe said that they own shortwave radios,

Another presenter was Thomas Witherspoon, who founded Ears to Our World. This is a U-S based non-profit organization that supplies shortwave radios to developing, conflict-riddled nations like South Sudan. Witherspoon said he is skeptical when people dismiss shortwave radio's future on premises like the Internet is everywhere.

Witherspoon says that we can look at the reasons why radio is on the decline, or instead the ways we can invest in shortwave radio and why

we should do that. He says that it's affordable, and broadcasters are doing it pretty efficiently.

One of the conference's attendees was Shahnaz Ghavami of the United States FCC. She said that after that after spending the day with the international broadcasters it makes you think about shortwave as something new.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heater Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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The National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters meeting was held May 10th and 11th in Washington, D.C. (RW, B&C, others)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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986. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 15 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 13:03:14 UTC
From: Thermionic Onion <punkbiscuit@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <2a45d894-5a24-4842-a661-066c388a3df1@l17g2000vbj.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2803
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

On Jun 15, 1:08 pm, Jeff <j...@jsystems.com> wrote:

> Perhaps you should look more carefully at the Ofcom site!!!!!

OK, it;s there but OFCOM have decided to add the text to the old one
instead of making it a new document.

Therefore if you try looking at the >>list<< of latest updates
you do NOT see that the old document has had new text added.

Ofcom cock up - not mine.

987. July 2012 QST - Digital Edition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 13:55:32 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120615125857.67FF226E2C4@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2804
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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* Optimize 43-foot vertical antennas for better performance on higher
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* Learn about a "mystery" transceiver that returned to ARRL HQ after
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* See ARRL Laboratory reviews of the new Alinco DJ-G29T transceiver
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* Discover how you can enjoy the benefits of software defined radio
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* ...and more!

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* An audio interview with Ken Kopp, Kï¿½PP, about the "mystery" transceiver.
* Extra information about upgrading your analog radio to SDR.
* The Considerate Operator's Frequency Guide.
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part of the plot.
* A link to the ARRL multimedia page where you can watch the winning
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* An in-depth report on the 2012 Dayton Hamvention, including a list
of products that made their first appearance at the show.

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73,

Steve Ford, WB8IMY
Editor

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Source record: 2805
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

>The frequencies to be used specifically exclude 144.0500MHz (CW Calling) and
>144.1000MHz (Perseids Meteor Scatter CW Calling).

Ok, so you can use the calling frequencies, but you can't QSY off of
them to have a QSO.

Who thought that one up ?

(No don't tell me I already know)

989. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 15 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 16:02:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30334f9f40e2a904c284f2d9@google.com>
Source record: 2806
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NZ4O Daily Condensed MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 07:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350179-NZ4O-Daily-Condensed-MF-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast&goto=newpost

The NZ4O "Daily" Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast has
been published on Thursday Jun 14, 2012 at 1300 UTC and is valid for the
next 24 hours.

This daily condensed HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast can also be
found at http://www.wcflunatall.com/dailycondensedhfprop.htm ,
http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarCycle24org/139198369462931 and
http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/spaceweather .

The complete MF/HF/6M 7 day period radiowave propagation forecast can be
found at http://www.solarcycle24.org .

This radiowave propagation forecast is provided free of charge to the
radio hobby communities but donations are graciously accepted. You can
donate by going to http://www.paypal.com and clicking on the "Send Money"
tab. My Paypal ID/email address is thomasfgiella@tampabay.rr.com .

NOTE! This HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast covers all
continents and all hemispheres.

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

BAND: DAY -> NIGHT

80, 60 Meters: Poor -> Fair To Good

40, 30 Meters: Fair-> Fair To Good

20, 17, 15 Meters: Good -> Fair To Good

12, 10 Meters: Fair To Good -> Poor

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HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY LATITUDE-

Low Latitude- Normal

Mid Latitude- Normal

High Latitude- Normal

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 80, 60 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 40, 30 METERS-

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North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE SHORT PATH 12, 10 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good To Excellent

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South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good To Excellent

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Good To Excellent

Note!!! At times propagation conditions on 10 meters will be Good,
via the less predictable Sporadic E (Es) and trans-equatorial (TE)
propagation modes which involve the F2/3 layer.

HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

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Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE VIA LONG PATH-

80, 60 meters

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial propagation conditions greater than

2000 mi/3200 km.

Low Latitude- Fair To Good

Mid Latitude- Fair To Good

High Latitude- Fair To Good

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE VIA LONG PATH-

40, 30 meters

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2000 mi/3200 km.

Low Latitude- Good To Excellent

Mid Latitude- Good To Excellent

High Latitude- God To Excellent

Note!!! At times propagation conditions on 10 meters will be Good, via the less predictable Sporadic E (Es) and trans-equatorial (TE) propagation modes which involve the F2/3 layer.

Magnetic Equator-

Low- 0-25 degrees

Mid- 25-60 degrees

High- 60-90 degrees

http://www.wcflunatall.com/geomagneticequator.gif

HF Propagation Forecast Scale-

Excellent S9+1 Or Better

Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

GLOBAL 50000-54000 KC (6 METERS) PROPAGATION MODES EXPECTED FORECAST-

F2- None

Sporadic E (Es)- Yes. Northern hemisphere Es season is underway

Aurora E High Latitude- Yes

Aurora E Mid Latitude- No

Troposphere Ducting- Yes

Trans Equatorial (TE) F2/F3- Yes

Meteor Scatter- No, excluding random meteors, lightning bolt plasma channels, space junk and alien spacecraft

Meter Band Equivalents

Ham SWL

160 90

80 75

60 60

40 49, 41

30 31, 25

20 22, 19

17 16, 15

15 13

12, 10 11

FORECASTED GLOBAL LIGHTNING NOISE (QRN)-

Northern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect VERY HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer season

proximity to the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) and tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect HIGH TO VERY HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems, as well as tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect MODERATE TO HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter season proximity

to the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) as well as cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low

pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect MODERATE TO HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect LOW TO MODERATE thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Lightning Induced Noise (QRN) Forecast Scale-

Very High >+1 db Over S9

High- S7-9

Moderate- S4-6

Low- S1-3

None- S0

Note! I use error prone RAW public domain data from the NOAA Space Environment Center, as well as other U.S. government organizations, to produce my radiowave propagation forecast. This data is gathered and made public by the U.S. Government using taxpayer $$$. However the propagation forecast that I produce from the RAW public domain data is my personal intellectual property. Therefore this propagation forecast contained herein is copyrighted © 1988-2012 by Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O. Reproduction of and distribution of the propagation forecast herein is allowed without advanced permission as long as proper credit is given.

Also space weather forecasting is still an inexact science. The forecasts are not official but for hobby related purposes only and are subject to human error and acts of God, therefore no guarantee or warranty implied.

73 & GUD DX,

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NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast: http://www.solarcycle24.org

Harmful Man Induced (Anthropogenic) Climate Change (Global Warming) Refuted: http://www.globalwarminglie.org

990. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 15 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 16:35:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934127785aa1f04c28566fc@google.com>
Source record: 2807
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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5th meeting of amateur radio in the city of Itauna state of Minas Gerais
Brazil June

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 09:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350259-5th-meeting-of-amateur-radio-in-the-city-of-Itauna-state-of-Minas-Gerais-Brazil-June&goto=newpost

5th meeting of amateur radio in the city of Itauna state of Minas Gerais
Brazil June 24, 2012, transmission via the internet through our live blog,
www.radioamadoresdeitauna.blogspot.com 73 PU4HPC - HAMILTON

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Field day questions - two operators, which call sign?

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 07:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350249-Field-day-questions-two-operators-which-call-sign&goto=newpost

Hello! My brother and I are planning on doing field day together this year.
We are both licensed. We will be operating with temporary antennas from a
(non-licensed) friend's acreage. We will have one or two radios setup, not
sure yet. Hopefully I will have an HF and antenna and a 6M antenna, so I
might get two radios going. With only one 25 amp power supply, we will
probably not be TXing at the same time though.

I think we should be class B? 1B or 2B? What if we have two radios but can
only TX on one of them at a time (due to antenna interference between the
two or power supply issues).

What call sign should we use? I'd like to use mine and I'm sure he would
like to use his own too.

Thanks.

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Hams in Space to Present at the University of Missouri Kansas City

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 11:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350200-Hams-in-Space-to-Present-at-the-University-of-Missouri-Kansas-City&goto=newpost

On July 20th, the Hams in Space Team will be giving their Satellite
Presentation at the University of Missouri, Kansas City□s Communiversity.

Communiversity is the University□s Community Education Program available to anyone from the community who wishes to attend.

7:00 PM, Friday, July 20, 2012

Communiversity; University of Missouri, Kansas City

Flarsheim Hall, Room 260,

5110 Rockhill Road

Kansas City, Missouri

http://www.umkc.edu/commu/

We□re preparing this presentation to be enjoyed not only by Licensed Hams but also to members of the general community as a means of putting Amateur Radio□s best foot forward, through information about at least one of the fun and amazing things that can be done with Ham Radio!

You will need to pre-register in order to attend: The University requires a $9.00 fee, plus a $2.00 registration fee to attend Communiversity classes. Some of you may be wondering, "Why should I pay $11.00 to see a presentation that I might see given at my local ham club meeting for free?" The answer is simple: The University provides comfortable, state of the art class rooms, with all the visual aid equipment and resources provided. Additionally, by attending this class you would be helping support an outstanding community education service available to all of us in the Kansas City area. The Hams in Space Team does not receive any of this money. It all goes to support the program.

The University offers five different ways to register, including Mail, In-Person, by Telephone, by 24 by 7 Fax, and On-Line. I prefer the On-Line Class Registration as it allows you to also browse the Communiversity Class Catalog, and sign up for e-mail new and information about upcoming classes and events. It□s also fast, and very convenient! The UMKC Communiversity Web Site is: http://www.umkc.edu/commu

For more information about the UMKC Communiversity, or to obtain a copy of their current class catalog, go to their web site at: http://www.umkc.edu/commu, or give them a call at (816) 235-1448. You may also contact their office at:

Office of Student Involvement - Communiversity

University of Missouri Kansas City

Student Union, Suite 320

5100 Cherry Street

Kansas City, Missouri 64110

If you plan to attend this presentation, please register early. If the anticipated attendance exceeds the capacity of the presently scheduled

class room, the University may be able to make arrangements to move the presentation to a larger class room.

So spread the word to your friends; Hams and Non-Hams alike! Register to attend the Hams In Space Presentation at the University of Missouri, Kansas City, Communiversity, and help put Amateur Radio☐s Best Foot Forward while at the same time supporting an Outstanding Community Service!

Randy Schulze

KDØHKD

kd0hkd@everestkc.net

http://hamsinspace.com

UMKC Class Catalog Entry:

Science & Philosophy

2701A

Amateur Radio Satellites-- Exciting Communications Made Fun and Easy

Our presentation provides licensed hams with information on how to successfully get on the air with FM Amateur Radio Satellites, in most cases either with equipment they may already possess, or by obtaining a few specialized, inexpensive items. While explaining techniques and procedures, an emphasis of ☐Keep it Simple☐ and ☐Have Fun☐ is stressed throughout. Non-licensed people interested in amateur radio are certainly welcome to attend.

CONVENER: Randal Schulze, Eddy Paul, and Jeremy Widner

CLASS FEE: $9.00

Sec. A: 1 session(s); Beginning Friday, July 20, 2012 7:00 PM;

Flarsheim Hall, Rm. 260, 5110 Rockhill Rd., UMKC Campus, KCMO, Rockhill Rd. south of 51st.;

Session 1: Friday, July 20, 2012 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

HamsInSpace.GIF

Attached Images

HamsInSpace.GIF
(18.8 KB)

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Samuel F. B. Morse ARC Field Day W6SFM

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 10:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350198-Samuel-F-B-Morse-ARC-Field-Day-W6SFM&goto=newpost

The Samuel F. Morse ARC will host it's second all-CW Field Day at Gibson Ranch Park in Sacramento June 23&24. The public is welcome to

visit and operate. There will be a BBQ pot luck at 6PM. For more info PM Mark, K6JJR. 73 and Happy Field Day! --... ...--

991. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-033E - Operators wanted for VA3RAC Canada Day ContestStation

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 18:19:44 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FDB7C6A.1020905@rac.ca>
Source record: 2808
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-033E - Operators wanted for VA3RAC Canada Day Contest Station
2012-06-14

The Radio Amateurs of Canada Day Contest is fast approaching and we are looking for a VE/VA Amateur to operate under the VA3RAC call sign.

You do have to be a RAC member and once the contest is over you are required to submit a copy of your log to RAC Headquarters so if anyone wants a QSL for your contact we can verify the QSO.

For complete rules goto:http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2012%20RAC%20Canada%20Day%20Contest%20Rules%20-%20English%20and%20French.pdf.

Here is your chance to be a rare one and never have to leave your home QTH.

Reply to Jeff Stewart, VA3WXM atva3wxm@sympatico.ca <mailto:va3wxm@sympatico.ca>and myself atve3xt@rac.ca <mailto:ve3xt@rac.ca>.

Hope to work you on July 1st.

Jeff Stewart, VA3WXM
Director South Ontario

Bill Unger, VE3XT
Director North East Ontario

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

992. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 253

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 20:05:33 UTC
From: zl1amw@gmail.com
Message-ID: <AFFC9EF9511C483D966B9E62DE4F317E@AlanNetbook>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 253

15 June 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

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· Associazone Radiomatori Italiani IQ1TW – Sezione
di Tortona

· Whangarei Branch 28 Equipment Sale and entertainment

Debby Says… Another successful conference has come and gone and
a very special thanks goes to the Nelson organising committee and Branch
for their tremendous efforts for not only ensuring there was something
appealing for everyone to enjoy, but also turning on the most beautiful
weather we have enjoyed over a Queens Birthday weekend for a number of
years.

Many of you will have heard on the broadcast from conference that
Council had agreed to run a membership promotion from the end of June.
Council has now reconsidered this date as new information was recently
learned from our Administration Liaison Officer and RSM regarding the
removal of silent keys. It appears that RSM have a large number of death
certificates and address amendments they have yet to process so their
database will be accurate.

A membership drive is quite costly so Council do want to make sure that
we reach as many non-members as possible and do not upset anyone whose
partner or spouse may have become a silent key. The membership drive
will now be posted out during September. More details of this will be
advised shortly.

Talk soon…ZL2DL

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Council Vacancy Midland District

The recent resignation of Simon Lewis ZL4PLM from Council has created a casual vacancy and in accordance with the Constitution, clauses 3.7 d. and e., Council wish to make an appointment to fill this position. If any member in the Midland Electoral District is interested in putting their name forward, please contact Debby ZL2DL at Headquarters. If you have any questions about this position on Council or would like more information, please contact the President, Vaughan ZL1TGC by email: zl1tgc@nzart.org.nz or phone (09) 4181071.

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NZART 5 MHz Working Party

As members may be aware, it was agreed at WRC 2012 that the next WRC will consider a possible new allocation to the amateur service on a secondary basis within the band 5 250-5 450 kHz and invited the ITU-R:

1 to study spectrum requirements for a secondary allocation to the amateur service within the band 5 250-5 450 kHz;

2 to carry out sharing studies on the impact to other services currently allocated in the band referred to in invites ITU-R 1 and in the adjacent bands;

3 to complete studies in time for WRC-15.

The ALO, Don Wallace (ZL2TLL) would like to put together an NZART working party to look at what we can do in New Zealand to gather evidence to support an international allocation in the 5 MHz area.

If you would like to assist with this, please contact the ALO at nzart@wallace.gen.nz.

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Old Timers' Club-OTC (ZL)

a.. To recognise service to Amateur Radio;
b.. To revive and maintain interests and good fellowship among the older members in the common cause;
c.. To offer advice and encouragement to newer Amateurs;
d.. The Club is affiliated to the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (Inc.)

Greetings,

Having attended the OTC AGM in Nelson 2012, without realising at the time a new OTC scribe for the Break-In column was asked for, placed my hand up a few days later and this was accepted. The first column has been drafted with AGM details and minutes for the next Break-In due August 2012, so ask for additional input from OTC members, not only the next, but following OTC columns.

Articles relating to all aspects of OTC or of vintage radio for publication in the OTC section of Break-In are most welcome, and to be addressed to our new Scribe, Stephen ZL1TPH; Postal address, 68 Kath

Hopper Drive, Orewa, 0931 or via email to zl1tph@nzart.org.nz We also accept large picture files sent via email and will transcribe hand written letters into text.

73, Stephen ZL1TPH

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Dear NZART;
My name is Pier Paolo Liuzzo (IZ1XBB) and I am the Award Manager of the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani – Sezione di Tortona (IQ1TW.). My association has created the “Apollo Space Program - from the Earth to the Moon Award” in order to commemorate the space program that has revolutionized and extended the frontiers of Mankind.

All information is available on the website http://aritortona.xoom.it in the "Award".- This Award is active from 1 July 2012 (00.00 UTC) to 31 July 2012 (23.59 UTC).- It is unique and unrepeatable. - No future editions will be made! I kindly ask you to spread this news to your clubs.
Grateful for what you do, I take this opportunity to extend my heartiest greetings and best wishes!

ASSOCIAZIONE RADIOAMATORI ITALIANI

IQ1TW – Sezione di Tortona

Award Manager

Pier Paolo Liuzzo

IZ1XBB

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IARU HF World Championship

The annual IARU HF World Championship will be held on the weekend of July 14 and 15, 2012. The complete rules can be found at http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship. I am collecting information as to what IARU Headquarters (HQ) stations and IARU Officials (AC, R1, R2 and R3) will be QRV during the contest. Can you please supply me with the callsign that will be used, the list of operators if possible, the QSL information, the IARU abbreviation (i.e. ARRL) and any other details you see of interest. This information will be published in The Daily DX and The Weekly DX.

Also can you please verify that your IARU society information is correct at http://www.iaru.org/iaru-soc.html.

Thank you,

Bernie McClenny, W3UR

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AT OUR CLUB ROOM HERITAGE PARK

SH14 WHANGAREI.

SATURDAY 21ST JULY

DOORS OPEN FOR BUYERS 10.30Hrs.TABLES $10.00 per 900mm

Bookings To Brian Winger ZL1BSW. PH: 0274913888 E-mail
bwinger@xtra.co.nz

Auckland VHF Group will be attending with a trading table

Delicious Refreshments available

We have kept the afternoon free for you to do your own thing, catch up
with friends or whatever.

A SCRUMPTIOUS EVENING MEAL WILL BE SERVED

AT OUR CLUBROOM

GATHER AT 18.00HRS (6PM)

FOR MEAL AT 18.30HRS (6.30PM)

ONLY $15.00 Per Person.

AFTER DINNER ACTIVITIES BEING PLANNED.

Fit and able members it will be appreciated if parking at the Clubroom
can be kept for our less mobile members and visitors, thank you.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the July/August 2012
issue of Break-In-closes on 10 July 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 July 2012
for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted
DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to
e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News

6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 24th June 2012. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 29th June 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 28th June 2012

You have received this message because you are subscribed on an NZART infoline list.

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http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

993. eHam.net News for Friday 15 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 22:21:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303f6d7085a64704c28a3d6e@google.com>
Source record: 2810
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Stay Tuned...

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28478

It's no secret that some home phones in Sequoyah County are being replaced by family plans with cell phone companies. Talking is turning into text, and communication over the Internet is vastly growing with social media Web sites, and smart phones. You may have heard someone say, "I forgot my cell phone today, I didn't know what to do," or "I think I'll die without my cell phone." If worst comes to worst, will people know what to do, could people actually die, if communication was lost? What could actually happen if a natural disaster or a zombie apocalypse eliminates Internet communications and cell phone towers in the area?

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Field Day Promotes Emergency Communication:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28477

The Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Society is ready to "ham it up" again for its 36th annual Field Day. The word "amateur" often brings the interpretation of a novice in a particular skill, however, the 160 Federal Communications Commission licensed members of the Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Society push the meaning of the word through their personal pursuit of radio communication. Instead of using their specific skills for financial gain, they offer their services to the community and to volunteer hours of time to put on events and programs, such as Field Day and the Neighborhood Ham Watch. The goal, said LMARS board member Norm Lauterette (WA4HYJ call sign), is for everyone to enjoy and be informed about the benefits of amateur radio.

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Commissioners Issue Proclamation For Amateur Radio Week:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28476

Ham radio operators, and the good work they do when widespread communication is needed during disasters, will be recognized next week. June 18th-24th is Amateur Radio Week, with the Richland County Commissioners issuing a proclamation supporting the observance.

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Ham Radio All Talk in Times of Crisis:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28475

TORONTO, June 14, 2012 /CNW/ - Despite the prevalence of the Internet, Amateur Radio has never failed as a lifeline during times of crisis. To demonstrate this capability, the Central Toronto Amateur Radio Club (aka CenTor) is conducting an Amateur Radio emergency preparedness exercise on June 23 - 24, 2012, which will be open to the public. Often called "ham radio", Amateur Radio is a non-commercial radio service, which allows licensed operators to use various types of radio communications equipment to communicate with one another, both locally and around the globe, for both public service and recreational purposes. Amateur Radio operators, often referred to as "hams", are federally licensed by Industry Canada and are allowed to use specially allocated radio frequencies to carry out their operations. Hams come from all walks of life and are located all over the world. "Amateur Radio plays a very important role in the communications capabilities of our modern society", said Peter Dale, President, CenTor, and licensed Amateur Radio operator with the call sign of VE3EYI. "Not only does it facilitate communications during times of emergency or natural disaster, it is also a lot of fun and a great way to learn about electronics and wireless communications, especially for young people", Dale added.

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Colorado's Amateur Radio Operators Fill in Wildfire-Coverage Gaps:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28474

A 5:15 a.m. phone call Sunday asked amateur radio operator Randy Long to find more volunteers to aid communication in the High Park fire zone -- and warned him to evacuate his home. Long, an Amateur Radio Emergency Service coordinator for Larimer and Weld counties, fled his house southeast of Buckhorn Mountain and started rallying more licensed ham operators to work the fire. Since Saturday, he has been managing operators staffing eight-hour shifts around the clock. They're doing such things as setting up portable radio repeaters and relaying messages between the fire lines and command posts. About 40 operators have volunteered. "My guys don't start before I do, and they don't finish after I do," said Long.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #24:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28473

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by AH6EZ, CT1FHI, NC1L, WB3IGR, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28472

This Week in Radiosport:

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Notify Your Neighbors About ARRL Field Day, June 23-24:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28471

It's not too late to get information about your ARRL Field Day activities out to the public. ARRL Field
Day -- the largest on-the-air operating event -- is the one of the best opportunities of the year for showing our Amateur Radio capabilities to the public. ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, notes that the ARRL has made many media materials available for local use:

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W1AW Announces 2012 Field Day Bulletin Schedule:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28470

Stations active during ARRL Field Day -- June 23-24 -- are eligible to receive 100 bonus points for copying the special Field Day bulletin transmitted by W1AW (or K6KPH on the West Coast). You must include an accurate copy of the message in your Field Day submission. The Field Day bulletin must be copied via Amateur Radio; it will not be included in Internet bulletins sent out from Headquarters and will not be posted to Internet BBS sites.

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Digital Edition of July QST Available June 15:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28469

The digital version of the July QST will be available to ARRL members on Friday, June 15. The digital version includes many features not available in the print version, such as:

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Mignon Clyburn Renominated for New Term as FCC Commissioner:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28468

On June 6, President Barack Obama announced that he will nominate Mignon Clyburn for a new five-year term as one of five FCC Commissioners. Clyburn, a Democrat, came to the Commission in August 2009, filling the unexpired term of Republican Deborah Taylor Tate,

whose tenure as a Commissioner came to a close in January 2009.

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New Amateur Extra Class Question Pool Effective July 1:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:35 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28467

The new Amateur Extra class (Element 4) question pool -- released by the National
Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) in January 2012 -- becomes effective on
Sunday, July 1.

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Call For Nominations for ARRL Directors and Vice Directors:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28466

The ARRL is governed by its Board of Directors. A voting Director is chosen by ballot by the full (licensed) members in each of the 15 ARRL divisions. Vice Directors -- who serve in the absence of the Director from a Board meeting and succeed to the position of Director should a vacancy occur -- are chosen at the same time. Elections are held in five divisions per year. It only takes 10 full members in a division to nominate a candidate for either office.

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Team USA Forming After USA ARDF Championships:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28465

From DXing to microwaves, nearly every facet of our hobby has its competitions. But there are no more ardent contesters than the ones who take to the fields and forests to see who can locate the greatest number of radio transmitters in the shortest time. They call themselves foxhunters, foxtailers, radio-orienteers and ARDFers.

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Papers Requested for ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28464

Amateurs are invited to submit technical papers for presentation at the 31st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference (DCC), to be held September 21-23, 2012 at the
Sheraton Gateway Airport Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 04:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28463

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

994. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 17 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-15 23:18:43 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <b23dd95c-ec8b-48a1-ac7f-aae4c5cbe8af@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
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Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-06-17.mp3
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WIANEWS - JUNE 17 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 17 2012.

Centenary of organized Amateur Radio in Queensland is off to a great start.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 17 2012.

AUSTRALIAN NEWS

We thank the Radio Amateurs of Canada who host the web page ariss.org for
news that a Sydney School has used the ARISS program to let their students
speak with the crew of the International Space Station.

St Anne's Primary School in Strathfield back last Wednesday used the
telephone system connected to LU8YY for the Children to pose
such questions as

Can you text in space? How do you communicate with your family?

How do toilets work in space?

What do you do to keep entertained?

NERG member Ethan VK3ETC and friend Ross VK4WRC will be operating portable
from VK2, VK4 and VK5 while organising the 2012 Patrol4x4.com National Forum

Meet up to raise money for the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

They'll be operating from the 4th-10th July around 7:30-10:00pm AEST on HF when parked up.

The convoy will run through Corner Country (Tiboorburra, Cameron's Corner, Innamincka, Birdsville) on:

80m 3.550 MHz,
40m 7.140 MHz, and
20m 14.130 MHz +/- QRN/M.

(nerg news)

TRIPLE M ROX

A radio staff member at Triple M Adelaide has been taken to hospital with head injuries after being attacked with a claw hammer. The attack occurred about 3pm on June 12, on the steps of the radio station on Greenhill Rd at Unley. The staff member was treated for minor head injuries at the Royal Adelaide Hospital.

(text only)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

12 August 2012 - SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore, all invited.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/
Police Roundup http://www.vicpolicenews.com.au/

National FunFlight Day - November 4, 2012

National FunFlight Day is an event staged by Australian flying clubs to provide joy flights for children and families touched by adversity. It also helps pilots maintain their flying hours.

The Bendigo, Victoria-based Midland Amateur Radio Club, VK3CMZ, was invited to participate in the National FunFlight Day by the Bendigo Flying Club in November 2011. The Club didn't pass up this opportunity for some public exposure and mounted an operating HF and UHF/VHF station. A handheld in a plane also provided communication back to children on the ground.

The day was a success and another invitation has been received for the event being held on November 4th this year. However, as the event is a national event, the Midland Committee saw it as a worthwhile national amateur radio publicity event and approached the FunFlight manager regarding other amateur clubs' participation. Response was very positive and contact information has now been provided to participating flying clubs so that they can contact

their nearest amateur radio club.

So, there you have it. If you are looking for another opportunity to showcase amateur radio, your local flying club might be contacting you. If they don't, maybe you contacting them might bring about the same result

More event information may be found at http://www.funflight.org/.

Kevin Crockett
President
Midland Amateur Radio Club

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Central Highlands to Gladstone link on test

Steve VK4SMW, President of the Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club says during the weekend of 9th and 10th of June work was completed on the radio link from the Central Highlands repeater network in to Gladstone.

The system is on trial at the moment, with the Gladstone portal frequency of 439.800MHz with access CTCSS tone of 91.5 Hz.

Mike VK4QS says :-

Well it seems the Centenary of organized Amateur Radio in Queensland is off to a great start. The opening six days of June saw the Queensland Advisory Committee, Don VK4BY, Alan VK4SN, and Mike VK4QS along with two volunteer operators, Ray VK4NH, and Ken VK4QH, fill the airways with VK100WIQ.

Operations both locally and of a DX nature were warmly received, with many stations intrigued with what the call sign was in fact celebrating. Conditions were indeed very poor with a recent Mass Coronal Emission from the sun playing havoc with propagation on the HF Bands

By June 7th, Clem and members of the Southside Amateur Radio Society took up the mantle working hard to log many contacts over the following three days with VK100WIQ. By Sunday June 10th the call sign went north to be operated by a keen group of Amateurs from the Central Queensland Amateur Radio Association.

>From their field base at Weasel Park near Rockhampton this group undertook three days of full on amateur radio activity with VK100WIQ. In fact they were keen enough to film their time at Weasel Park for all of us to see. This can be viewed on the QAC Website at, www.wiaq.org.au where there is also a You Tube link.

This is something that other clubs in the up and coming weeks may consider when undertaking their three days to promote the Centenary on air. Once you

have made a film or even taken photos of the time spent on air then consider sending it to Mr Alan Shannon VK4SN, of the Queensland Advisory Committee. Alan can see about up loading the links, your story and the photos on the WIAQ site for the world to see. It then becomes part of the collective Centenary archive for the future.

To all clubs participating in the Centenary celebrations with VK100WIQ, it is requested that you upload your Log as per the email sent by Al Shannon VK4SN, by way of the Centenary Logbook. This can be found on the WIA Website under the heading News and Events. This will drop down to show VK4 Centenary, and access, as per your password to the Logbook etc.

Enjoy your time promoting Centenary with VK100WIQ, and work as many clubs and operators that fire it up on air between now and July 31st 2012.

(vk4qs)

VK6

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre, FGisher st, Ashfield WA. 9am, 7-30 for traders. Admission $5 for everyone including traders, no charge for tables. FGisher st, Ashfield WA.

What use is an f-call? (20120115)

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Tolerance has many definitions, one is: a fair, objective, and permissive attitude toward those whose opinions, practices, race, religion, nationality, etc., differ from one's own. It's not a new concept, it's been around since the end of the Middle Ages.

For some reason this week I had a wide spectrum of contacts within Amateur Radio, some great, some disappointing. I had a debate on the merits or otherwise of the NBN, an email from a 14 year old F-call who is being ignored on air, a few posts from an Amateur friend in the transgender community and an email vociferating refugee payments.

I find it curious that we as a community have a medium that ignores lines on a map, stronger still, encourages us to share experiences with amateurs around the world while having members act in an intolerant way toward others. I think that debate is good and required, but in such a debate it might be smart to use the same tenant's we use on air. Listen more than you talk.

Now you might ask yourself what on earth does this have to do with having an F-call?

As we attract more people into the hobby we need to work to keep our community healthy and happy. I think we should encourage those around us to learn from the long history that Amateur Radio represents and perhaps encourage tolerance, as it is clear to me, has been the backbone of Amateur Radio since day one.

Why does it matter?

For one, your Amateur Radio signal goes outside the boundaries of this country. Sometimes it's heard across the planet, even into space. Sometimes your utterances will make it into the ears of people who have laws and customs completely different from yours.

As you know, having an Amateur License is a privilege which works because there is global cooperation on the matter, but if we abuse our privilege, we'll soon learn how fragile cooperation becomes.

The melting pot that Amateur Radio represents is a wonderful community. It has people from all walks of life with differing opinions, life-styles and experiences. What attracted me to Amateur Radio was that those differences don't matter, we all have one thing in common, being Amateurs.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Germany gains 1331 callsigns in 2011

The German telecommunications regulator the Federal Network Agency have released their report for 2011 part of which covers amateur radio.
The report says there were 62 Amateur Radio Exams, 731 amateur radio certificates and 1331 ham radio call sign issued

THE TEN MILLION DOLLAR HAMVENTION.

It's said that Dayton this year resulted in an estimated $10,000,000 impact for the region!

HAMVENTION 2012 OFFICIAL FIGURE SAYS OVER 24000 ATTENDED!

This good news was announced by 2012 Hamvention General Chairman Mike Kalter, W8CI and according to Mike, this was an increase over last year. He attributed it in part to the excellent weather during Hamvention weekend.

W8CI also noted that many vendors reported excellent sales during the three days of Hamvention and many restaurants, hotels and motels also reported increased sales.

AMATURE RADIO WEEK

The Michigan House of Representatives in the USA has issued a resolution recognizing the public service contributions of Michigan's Amateur Radio Operators.
The State house passed House Resolution No. 287, A resolution to declare June 17-23, 2012, as Amateur Radio Week in the state of Michigan.

FRS application for IARU membership

The Federation of Radio sport of Republic of Azerbaijan (FRS), founded 30 December 2001, has applied for IARU (International Amateur Radio Union) membership.

IARU Region 1 report that the application was found to be in order and a proposal that FRS be elected as IARU member has been put out to vote.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAM RADIO HELPS LOCATE AND CONVICT PERSON WHO STOLE FROM NATIONAL ARCHIVES

J. David Goldin ,WB1EZA, is being hailed as a hero by the United States National Archives. This after helping to solve exposed what authorities have called one of the most egregious instances of theft of historic materials from where the government preserves its historic documents, photographs and recordings. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

According to news reports when J. David Goldin, WB1EZA, saw a recorded interview of baseball great Babe Ruth for sale on eBay he knew something was wrong. That's because there was only one original record of that 1937 interview of Ruth on a hunting trip, and Goldin had donated it to a government archive more than 30 years ago.

So Goldin, who is described as an avid record collector, launched his own investigation that led directly to uncovering the person now believed responsible for stealing close to 1000 artefacts from the National Archives.

Goldin began his sleuthing by purchasing a different recording from the same on-line seller. When the deal was complete he recognized the name of the seller as being the same National Archives employee who had received the Babe Ruth and other historic recording that Goldin had donated thirty years earlier.

Goldin then took his findings to federal investigators. They in turn obtained a search warrant and raided the home of retired National Archives employee Leslie Waffen. There authorities carted away two truckloads of materials. Now, after pleading guilty, a judge in Maryland has sentenced Waffen, to an 18 month prison term and fined him $10,000.

Before retiring, Waffen had worked at the National Archives for 40 years.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

United Stares Inspector General, Paul Brachfeld, whose office investigated the theft, says that he plans to honour Goldin. He told the press that there are some people who give tips who are just passive. He said that J. David Golden wasn't like that. He called Goldin a sentinel.

THE ROLE OF SOCIAL MEDIA IN REPORTING EMERGENCIES TO THE PUBLIC

"Emergency Management Without Social Media.Fail" is the
title of a very interesting op-ed article by author Tim
Burrows posted across several social media websites. In it,
Burrows looks at both the positive and negative effects on
the public that social media can have in attempting to
disseminate and update information of a disaster, accident
or other event that the public needs to know.

Whether you agree or disagree with Burrows assessment of the
role of social media in regard to the accuracy of the
information being made public, his article is a very
interesting evaluation for anyone involved in the world of
emergency communications. You can read the entire story on-line
at tinyurl.com/emergency-social-media

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

PrintSat - An Amateur Radio 3D Printer CubeSat

Students at Montana State University (MSU) are planning to build their new
amateur radio satellite PrintSat with nano-carbon-impregnated plastic using
a 3D printer!

David Klumpar KD7MFJ of MSU said 3D printing "will further lower the costs
and speed the development of very small satellites, enabling future
scientific missions comprised of dozens of satellites flying in formation."

Jim White WD0E, president of Colorado Satellite Services, explained that
3-D printing has evolved in the past few years to be a very inexpensive and
fast way to make mechanical parts. With PrintSat, the entire structure of
the small satellite will be printed.

As the first use of additive manufacturing for a satellite, they plan to
show they can make parts that cannot be made in traditional ways."

Montana State University Space Science and Engineering Laboratory
https://ssel.montana.edu/

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

The team who were so "bad" at Cape Liptrap last August have decided to be bad again!

VK3BAD that is.

At the end of August a 20 strong team will travel into the Otway Ranges homing in on The King Parrot Cottage complex near the Village of Pennyroyal for a party. The Pennyroyal Propagation Party , a long weekend of Radio, Delicious Food and Drink and Great Company.

Styled "Wireless Weekends" this inaugural operation follows on from highly popular activations at Cape Liptrap over the past two years, And so great was the demand that the trip was sold out just 3 days after being announced.

The location is high in the mountains with lots of wildlife in the area and great views. The Station will operate on most HF frequencies 160 - 10mtrs and on 6 and 2 metres and 70cm with contact to the Melbourne Area via the Geelong 2 mtr repeater. They'll also attempt a live link up on 1250mhz to VK3RTV repeater from a nearby high point which according to plotting software will give a line of sight path of 147km. Also they hope to have a number of live crosses using Skype to access VK3RTV during the weekend so you can see all the action.

So please listen out for VK3BAD on 31st August through until September 3rd.

Further details on QRZ.com under VK3BAD

Sovereign Military Order of Malta

Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list.

An activation by an International team looks to celebrate the uniqueness of this event. So, from the 1st to the 4th July, we will listen for them on the air as 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

The callsign that will be used belongs to 'The Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps (CISOM)" an organization specialized in bringing assistance and relief during emergencies.

(SouthGate)

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

NERG news report that the internet forum known as AURFSCAN.COM started out as a popular place to hold discussions and swap exchange information with radio scanner enthusiasts but has since grown to include amateur radio activities, with quite a few VK amateurs contributing to this busy forum.

In addition to the usual forum posts, there is wiki, files, and personal blog pages however some of these require you to join at a small annual fee.

Check out the forum at:
aurfscan.com.au

Radio Netherlands English service closes down

Following the closure of the Dutch service in May, Radio Netherlands has announced that the English service will end on June 29.

And, since RNW's English web stream will end on 29 June, there will be no more Listening Guide.

The measures are a result of steep budget cuts imposed by the Dutch government.

On 29 June they will broadcast a radio show looking back at the past decades of Radio Netherlands Worldwide.

rnw.nl/english/article/were-changing

(SouthGate)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Reporting Harmful Interference to ACMA

We Radio Amateurs often deal with signals down in the noise, so interference is something we are very sensitive to.

We often experience interference from a number of devices sold on the market today, such as lighting systems, inverters, solar systems (especially roof-top solar systems), and all manner of switch-mode power supplies.

The ACMA has the responsibility of enforcing the EMC regulations, but the ACMA is now very much a complaint's driven and evidence based organization and will but it's resources where they are most needed. That's why it is very important if that if you suffer long-term harmful interference to you communications from any device you should let the ACMA know about it.

The ACMA has an interference reporting form in the Radio Communications section of their website. There is no fee for making an interference report to the ACMA but it's very important that only valid interference to YOUR communications over a long period of time is reported.

So please, take a look at the interference reporting form on the Radio communications section of the AMCA website and if you suffer harmful interference from any device, make a report and let the ACMA know about it it will only help you and your fellow radio amateurs.

This is Phil Wait VK2ASD for the WIA.

The on-line R066 form is at:
acma.gov.au/interforms/radcomms_form.asp

A sample of a completed interference reporting form is at:
acma.gov.au/webwr/_assets/main/lib310172/r066-request_for_investigation_of_interference_to_radiocommunications_(sample_form).pdf

Again the ACMA form number is R066 and that a copy of this news item is also on wia.org.au with the links included.

IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

The May issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports on a 'Clansman' transmission in the amateur radio 28 MHz band, possibly from the Falkland Islands.

The newsletter says:

"Clansman" is the name of a F1B system, used by the British military. Parameters: 300 Bd and 850 shift.

The system was daily transmitting on 28181.5 kHz and well audible in Germany every late noon. Our bearings were showing South America. DK2OM thinks the emissions are coming from the Falkland Islands.

There is also a report on the CODAR radar system in North East India, Bay of Bengal, that is operating on 14070-14125 kHz.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Ham Song - Solid State Rage

Solid State Rage is written and performed by Dan Taverne KE5UTN

Watch Ham Song - Solid State Rage version 2 on YouTube now.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

The 2012 Olympic Torch Relay route is being tracked on the APRS.fi web site. To see it go to http://aprs.fi/ and enter Torch2012 in the Track Callsign field.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

SumbandilaSat recovery work continues

SA AMSAT posted a report on their website that there is still a recovery opportunity for SumbandilaSat.

The team at SunSpace are still incrementally reading back the program code from the nine power modules in an effort to determine the extent of the corruption. With SumbandilaSat going through eclipses, the satellite is not as much available as the team would like.

SumbandilaSat's batteries failed which means that the satellite is only active when the solar panels are illuminated.

"We need the information to confirm that the changes we made to stop repeated corruption were effective." Johann Lochner ZR6CBC who spends considerable of his free time on recovery of SumbandilaSat said.

"It is our aim to ultimately reprogram one of the power modules to automatically switch the amateur radio transponder on and off."

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP NEWS - LOWDOWN

2012 Topband Most Wanted survey

This annual survey of 160 Meter DX needs is taken by Garry/NI6T and Larry/K8UT and is now available online at:

http://survey.hamdocs.com/?sid=11389

Please submit your needs list between now and August 31, 2012. Modifications submitted after August 31, 2012, will be used for the following year's survey.

The results for 2012-2013 will be available in September 2012.

A link to the 2011 Topband Most Wanted Survey results is available at:
http://www.k8ut.com/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId=12

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

Townsville region in VK4

Sat 23 and Sun 24 June - Kennedy Region Scouts Nighthawk activity

Your chance to make a real difference and show the youth of today how useful Amateur Radio can be. Team tracking and a chance to set up portable at a spot in the Kelso area you would not normally go to.

If you are in that area, give a shout-out on VK4RAT after this news and find out how you can help by arriving at Nighthawk Base, Ross Park around 3pm on Saturday, then go to your checkpoint and meet up with Scout Leaders who will be doing all the youth wrangling then operate through the night.

(theTARCinc)

REWIND

LENORE JENSEN, W6NAZ, PHONE PATCHING TO VIETNAM VIA MARS

And finally this week, a piece of ham radio history that you can enjoy and share with friends. While perusing the latest ham radio videos posted to YouTube, our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, came across one featuring the late radio, television and film actress Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ, running phone patches to Vietnam.

These phone patches were done through the Military Affiliate Radio System which often used frequencies just outside the regular High Frequency ham bands. Overseas telephone calls were difficult to make decades ago and sometimes impossible depending on location, so for U.S. service men stationed around the world, ham radio filled the void. This was an all with volunteer effort and Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ, was at the forefront of the activity.

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Audio bite from film

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The film is titled "A Visit to Mars" and was part of the United States Army produced series "The Big Picture." Bill dates the documentary to the late 60s and notes that the phone patch was obviously simulated for filming. He asks: Did you ever hear noise-free audio on High Frequency DX, or the public always remembering to say "over?"

These details aside, the film appears to be accurate overall. It depicts the way things were done about 50 years ago and is a trip back in time. You can see it yourself on-line at tinyurl.com/LenorePatchingToVietnam. And LenorePatchingToVietnam is spelled as one word.

(CGC, ARNewslineT)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

AUSTRALIA'S MOST WANTED

Request for Information!

Do you know anything about the Althorpe Island Light House wireless communications operations.?

Lighthouses of Australia a volunteer group whose aim is the preservation of Australian Lighthouses is looking for information on this famous Australian lighthouse.

A reliable means of communication with the lighthouse was the driving force behind the establishment of a wireless telegraphy system in the late 1890s. It appears this means of communications was all too hard to set up and a cable was finally laid in about July 1911.

This created it's own problems of not being able to send messages after 6 o'clock because the telegraph operator on the mainland had gone home.

It seems that during the Second World War the lighthouse was equipped with a pedal wireless set that enabled them to communicate with Cape Borda Lighthouse and from there, messages were relayed to the mainland -- this was in use into the 1950s.

If anyone can elaborate on what has already been researched or know what type of radio systems were employed, please send it to Ross VK2VVV.

vk2vvv@wia.org.au

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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even get a "cheerio call".

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

995. pity that all the survives is panix spam

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 00:46:21 UTC
From: mark morgan <konstans@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <jrgkquuoi1@adenine.netfront.net>
Source record: 2812

pity

--- Posted via news://freenews.netfront.net/ - Complaints to news@netfront.net ---

996. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 15 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 02:49:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30563d5b503b4404c28daba6@google.com>
Source record: 2813
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Field Day Event Is June 23-24 In Rock Spring - The
Chattanoogan

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 02:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG_pYn-nIr7Horptm5wwHGYaG3Tiw&url=http://www.chattanoogan.com/2012/6/15/228420/Amateur-Radio-Field-Day-Event-Is-June.aspx

Amateur Radio Field Day Event Is June 23-24 In Rock Spring
The Chattanoogan
The Tri-States Amateur Radio Club will be participating in the nationwide
amateur radio Field Day event on the fourth weekend in June at Fire Station
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Radio hams to gather for Field DaySulphur Southwest Daily News
Ham radio event plannedBrainerd Daily Dispatch
Amateur radio club reaching out to the worldBurnaby Now
ARRL -News Transcript -Examiner.com
all 14 news articles

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Amateur Radio Clubs Plan Field Day Demo for Disaster Prep in ... - Patch.com

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 02:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFZE1Bb9brkW9uwzCLZo4bhB1cGMg&url=http://redlands.patch.com/articles/amateur-radio-clubs-plan-field-day-demo-for-disaster-prep-in-loma-linda

Amateur Radio Clubs Plan Field Day Demo for Disaster Prep in ...
Patch.com
The Amateur Radio Relay League annual Field Day is scheduled June 23 at ...
Tomas said hes been a ham radio operator since 1986, when he lived in
the ...

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Leonardo's to host American Radio Relay League Kids Day on ... - Enid News
& Eagle

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 08:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGbVgFWhLDsOaZWEYiPSGXwAFiMVw&url=http://enidnews.com/localnews/x1901563228/Leonardo-s-to-host-American-Radio-Relay-League-Kids-Day-on-Saturday

Leonardos to host American Radio Relay League Kids Day on ...
Enid News & Eagle

The day is intended to get kids interested in Ham Radio. The Enid Amateur Radio Club was founded in 1936 and has included prominent members, such as ...

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Cupertino's Field Day returns June 23 - San Jose Mercury News

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 08:07 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGN6kNONyDEZy2FROwB_F-ud_4TRw&url=http://www.mercurynews.com/cupertino/ci_20861710/cupertinos-field-day-returns-june-23

Cupertinos Field Day returns June 23
San Jose Mercury News
... volunteers from Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Services will likely be on ... The event is an opportunity for residents to learn about ham radio and try ...

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Terre Haute Ham Radio Field Day Coming - WIBQ

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 03:48 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFwsjOI8tRoqkmbiR78FAsHrq0mLw&url=http://wibqfm.com/news/articles/2012/jun/15/terre-haute-ham-radio-field-day-coming/

Daily Post Athenian
Terre Haute Ham Radio Field Day Coming
WIBQ
Newer technology will take a backseat to some classic radio next weekend. June 22nd and 23rd Terre Haute will host its Annual Ham Radio Field day. Radio ...
Taking to the airwaves during annual Field DayDaily Post Athenian

all 3 news articles

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Roger Waters: 'Radio K.A.O.S.' Turns 25 - Ultimate Classic Rock

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 06:42 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG-wR3_PbiIBuf-nXVZMZ_ImdSwAA&url=http://ultimateclassicrock.com/roger-waters-radio-kaos-turns-25/

Roger Waters: Radio K.A.O.S. Turns 25
Ultimate Classic Rock
The album uses eight songs to tell the story of a pair of Welsh brothers — Benny, a coal miner/ham radio enthusiast, and Billy, who is highly intelligent but ...

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Ham radio operators prepare to support Manitoba Marathon - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 12:39 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGDEFLimhrY8gHpSEZURWXJGeu9gw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/ham_radio_operators_prepare_to_support_manitoba_marat

hon.htm

Ham radio operators prepare to support Manitoba Marathon
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Manitoba Marathon is the largest scheduled annual Amateur Radio activity in Manitoba. Every Ham Radio club and organization in the Winnipeg area is ...

997. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 16 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 11:03:32 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6144fca17dda04c294e188@google.com>
Source record: 2814
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Insurance scheme for UK Radio Amateurs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xctTGMMcm9Y/insurance_scheme_for_uk_radio_amateurs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Broker network Ten Insurance has launched a new scheme for The Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB), the not-for-profit national organisation for amateur radio enthusiasts

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CK6S - Special Event Station for the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary Stampede

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lKGCG6zIw5g/calgary_stampede.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Calgary Amateur Radio Association will be operating special event station CK6S, from July 5 to 15th celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary Stampede

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President Obama announces nomination of Mignon Clyburn for new term as FCC Commissioner

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_PE1Y-krjac/president_obama_announces_nomination_of_mignon_clyburn.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On June 6, President Barack Obama announced that he will nominate Mignon Clyburn for a new term as one of five FCC Commissioners

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Operators wanted for VA3RAC Canada Day Contest Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yyc_qXH7a7w/operators_wanted_for_va3rac_canada_day_contest_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RAC Canada Day Contest is fast approaching and we are looking for a VE/VA Amateur to operate under the VA3RAC call sign

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RSGB Board proceedings for May released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0UnyHERXWW4/rsgb_board_proceedings_for_may_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB May Board proceedings say the target date for the go-live with the
beta new website will be September 28

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432 and Above EME Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5suLNOKQbnY/432_and_above_eme_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The July edition of the free amateur radio 432 MHz and Above EME Newsletter
is now available for download

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RtnVALmtmUY/june_16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity was lower this week, although for the past few days sunspot
numbers and solar flux were rising

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ArduSat Arduino CubeSat Update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j9DeSruAMgk/ardusat_arduino_cubesat_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ArduSat team is building an Arduino CubeSat on which they plan to put
up to 5 Arduinos and plug in 50+ sensors into them as well as 2 optical and
1 IR camera

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NZART 5 MHz Working Party

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0CB2CTzhMrk/nzart_5_mhz_working_party.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As NZART members may be aware, it was agreed at WRC 2012 that the next WRC
will consider a possible new allocation to the amateur service on a
secondary basis within the band 5 250-5 450 kHz

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Double CME targets Earth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DwacpuWsIow/double_cme_targets_earth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Active sunspot AR1504 is facing Earth and hurling coronal mass ejections
(CMEs) in our direction

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2Rrk3ghoLi8/wca_1606.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

List of operators in WCA-2012

998. List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 15:07:02 UTC
From: Mike Cook <mcham@NOTyahoo.com>
Message-ID: <0001HW.CC01EF2600EBEB63B04179BF@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 2815
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

Going to trek in Tibet. Would like to take 2-way radios (Motorola Spirit UHF).

Is there a published list of available & unavailable frequencies in PRC?

Thanks.

999. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 15:40:50 UTC
From: Jim / m <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jri9eblsa1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2816
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

"Mike Cook" <mcham@NOTyahoo.com> wrote in message
news:0001HW.CC01EF2600EBEB63B04179BF@news.eternal-september.org...
> Going to trek in Tibet. Would like to take 2-way radios (Motorola Spirit
> UHF).
>
> Is there a published list of available & unavailable frequencies in PRC?
>
> Thanks.
>

ask Fuk Tu Wan ....

1000. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 15:44:31 UTC
From: Mike Cook <mcham@NOTyahoo.com>
Message-ID: <0001HW.CC01F7EF00EDFAB3B01029BF@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 2817
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

Or a better forum to ask?

1001. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 15:48:30 UTC
From: David Woolley <david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid>
Message-ID: <jri9sg$of9$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2818
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

Mike Cook wrote:
> Going to trek in Tibet. Would like to take 2-way radios (Motorola Spirit
> UHF).
>
> Is there a published list of available & unavailable frequencies in PRC?

The PRC restricts the import of radio transmitting equipment, other than
the temporary import of mobile phones. You need to ask this question of
your Chinese embassy. You would need an import licence and my guess is
that you will not get one.

I don't know if there are any (transmitting) licence exempt allocations,
or whether they are available to non-citizens.

1002. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 15:58:43 UTC
From: Jim / m <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jriag2$s2d$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2819
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

> The PRC restricts the import of radio transmitting equipment, other than
> the temporary import of mobile phones. You need to ask this question of
> your Chinese embassy. You would need an import licence and my guess is
> that you will not get one.
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yes they are a bunch of scumbags.......I tried to send a faulty twin sim mobile phone back to chinky land but the post office said I couldn't......hate everything about China.......we should boycott their junk.......

1003. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 16 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 16:17:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f9f50673904c2994509@google.com>
Source record: 2820
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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WA Governor Chris Gregoire Proclaims "Amateur radio Week" in WA State.

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 06:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350351-WA-Governor-Chris-Gregoire-Proclaims-quot-Amateur-radio-Week-quot-in-WA-State&goto=newpost

Governor Christine O. Gregoire has proclaimed June 18 ☐ 23, 2012 as Amateur
Radio Week. A copy of her Proclamation is on the Western

Washington Website at: http://wwa.arrl.org/pdf/120615Proclamation.pdf.
You can download this .pdf file and print it out for display, especially at
your Field Day sites.

-I have not seen any other posts over the years, but do other state
Governors do the same?-

1004. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 16 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 16:33:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934127718e1b904c2997e94@google.com>
Source record: 2821
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Event Station 16th/17th June 2012

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 03:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350265-Event-Station-16th-17th-June-2012&goto=newpost

To celebrate the Royal Marines and what the troops have done around the
world at different times there is a special event station running from 0900
to 1600 UTC on Saturday 16th and SUnday 17th June 2012; from Eastney,
Portsmouth, United Kingdom. It will operate on both VHF and HF.

The call Sign is GB0RMM.

SOmething different to get on your DX record?

1005. SARL News in English 16/6/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 17:49:00 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <94D44DB3E9D54E49994ACC390874FF8D@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2822
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 20 JUNE 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria (other news readers change to suit) with relays on 7 066 kHz and 3 695 kHz SSB.

SILENT KEY

It is with deep regret that the passing away of Johan 'Krit' Kritzinger, ZU4JK, on Sunday 10 June 2012 is announced. We extend our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

SARL ROADMAP PRESENTED TO ICASA

GOOD NEWS FOR SADC VISITORS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

SARL ROADMAP PRESENTED TO ICASA

The SARL presented the Roadmap to regulatory reform to ICASA at the quarterly liaison meeting held last week Thursday. It was briefly discussed and agreed to set up a working group to consider the various aspects tabled in the document.

The roadmap deals with the: Corrections to the current regulations, Operating privileges for visitors from SADC countries, Quick access to 600 kHz, Amateur allocation at 5 MHz, Expansion of the 160 metre band and Increased output power limits.

A copy of the SARL proposal to ICASA is available at www.sarl.org.za.

Amateurs wishing to comment on the document should send an email to artoday@sarl.org.za.

The first meeting of the work group will be held in July.

GOOD NEWS FOR SADC VISITORS

The SARL would like to have an agreement in place similar to the CEPT one. Meanwhile ICASA has advised the SARL that, while such a proposal is under discussion, visitors who hold a valid amateur radio license in a SADC country, may apply for temporary authorisation to operate in South Africa. A copy of his license and the period to be spent in South Africa, must be presented. His request must be sent to KMashile@icasa.org.za as well as admin@sarl.org.za. The turn around time will be approximately 48 hours.

SKA TO FEATURE ON THE INTECNET TONIGHT

Prof Justin Jonas of the SKA team will be the guest on the next Interactive Technical Net (INTECNET) tonight, Sunday 17 June. The net will start at 19:30. Prof Jonas will talk about what part of the SKA will come to South Africa and highlight the science that will be done. He will also participate in an interactive session and answer questions from radio amateurs around the country.

125 CANDIDATES PASSED THE RAE IN MAY

A total number of 144 candidates wrote the amateur radio examination class A in May this year. The pass rate was 81% with 116 candidates passing the examination. 10 candidates wrote the class B examination, of which 9 candidates passed.

Highest marks of 94% was achieved by 2 candidates: B Jakovljevic, ZS6BAT, and HC Von Stockhausen, ZS6VST.

The youngest candidate to sit the examination was 11 years old. He is GJ du Toit with the call sign ZU5GDT.

All candidates who have passed and received their curator ad litem signs, may go on the air and do not have to wait for the official license documents, which may take a few weeks to be processed. The results are published on www.sarl.org.za and the letters have been mailed.

All successful candidates, who submit an application form to the SARL, will receive a complimentary membership of the SARL for one year. The membership includes full excess to Radio ZS on the web and all other membership services such as the QSL bureau.

There are a few candidates who have not submitted the HF evaluation documents. They will only receive their curator ad litem signs once the paperwork has been received by the SARL.

INVITATION FOR ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

Amateurs are invited to submit technical papers for presentation at the 31st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference to be held from 21 to 23 September 2012 at the Sheraton Gateway Airport Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. Papers will also be published in the Conference Proceedings (you do not need to attend the conference to have your paper included in the Proceedings). The submission deadline is July 31. Please send papers to Maty Weinberg at maty@arrl.org. For more information about the conference visit www.tapr.org/dcc.

REPEATER WORK GROUP MEETS ON 23 JUNE

The SARL Repeater manager, Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ, reports that several clubs and repeater group have responded to an invitation for all division 6 clubs to send their representative to the repeater work group meeting to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre (NARC) on Saturday 23 June at 09:00.

To assist with catering arrangements, please send details of who will be attending to vubandplanning@sarl.org.za if you have not already done so.

WHO'S WHO ON VHF AND UHF?

A comprehensive data base is currently being prepared of all the VHF and UHF amateurs who are equipped for VHF and UHF operation, and specifying all those who are currently active on 50, 70, 144, 432 and 1 296 MHz. All amateurs in South Africa and the neighbouring states are invited to submit their details, irrespective whether they are members of the SARL or not. The following information is required: Full name, cell or landline number, city or town, call sign, locator, power and type of antenna equipped for on each band, which bands you are currently active on and the transmission modes used.

Please help to prepare and update an accurate list of VHF/UHF amateurs in Southern Africa, and make an effort to submit your data and/or those of your friends as it will be of great value to the VHF fraternity. You could post your details on the VHF Forums, zsvhf mailman list, via cell on 084 612 9600, landline at 041 581 2425 or e-mail to mcbosch@webafrica.org.za.

CONTEST NEWS

Today 17 June is World QRP Day and radio amateurs are encouraged to operate using low power. You will be pleasantly surprised with the results you can achieve using 5 watts or less on the bands. Give it a try!

SARL TOP BAND QSO PARTY.

This is a fun activity to promote contacts on 160 metres between radio amateurs in Southern African countries and to encourage radio amateurs to apply for the SARL Top Band Award. The event is open to all licensed amateurs that have access to the 160 metre band.

The QSO party will run from 00:00 (Zero hours) UTC or 02:00 CAT on Thursday 21 June to 00:00 (Zero hours) UTC or 02:00 CAT on Monday 25 June. You may use CW and phone during the QSO Party on the following frequencies - CW from1 810 to 1 838 kHz and Phone from 1 840 to 1 850 kHz.

The exchange is a RS(T) report and provincial or country abbreviation. Following the QSO, the station must change the dial frequency by at least 2 kHz for the next QSO, unless a period of 10 minutes has lapsed between contacts. The frequency of each QSO must be shown on the log sheet.

Each station can be worked once on Phone and once on again on CW. Each contact will count three (3) points and five (5) additional bonus points will be awarded for each South African call area and each DXCC country worked. Total Score = (Total QSO points) plus (Bonus points).

Log sheets must be submitted by Monday 2 July to the West Rand Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 5344, Weltevreden Park, 1725 or sent by e-mail to contest@sarl.org.za.

PEARS FUN CONTEST

The Port Elizabeth amateur radio club held a fun contest on 26th May. There was only 1 winner, Gerrit, ZS2XD, with 54 QSO's and a total of 675 points. Congratulations Gerrit!

WEST RAND FLEA MARKET

The West Rand Amateur Radio Club is hosting its next flea market on Saturday 30 June at 12:00 at the clubhouse in Kroton Street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everyone is very welcome. For more information, contact Phillip, ZS6PVT, at 083 267 3835.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels. Sunspot 1 504 continues to expand into a large sized sunspot cluster and now spans the size of at least 4 planet Earths. This sunspot now harbours enough energy to produce X-class flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 90.

Amateurs will have fun on the bands from 20 to 10 meter, which will provide lots of DX with 15 m providing the best openings and 20 meter not far behind. 10 meter openings will be less frequent and mostly on east-west paths.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 17 June - Today, top band QSO-party, all day. 17 June - This evening at 17:30, Intechnet about the SKA with Prof. Justin Jonas as guest speaker. 23 June - Repeater group meeting at 09:00 at the NARC. 30 June - West Rand flea market starting at 12:00 at Kroton

Street. For more information, contact Phillip, ZS6PVT, at 083 267 3835

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,725 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dirk, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Flip Britz, ZS4GE/6, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1006. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 16 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 17:57:55 UTC
From: RSGB Newsdesk <punkbiscuit@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <2261e4aa-7bb7-4547-a31f-219f2c674666@x21g2000vbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2823
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Jun 16, 12:03 pm, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
<newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
> Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
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> //
> Insurance scheme for UK Radio Amateurs
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> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xctTGMMcm9Y/insura...
>
> Broker network Ten Insurance has launched a new scheme for The Radio
> Society of Great Britain (RSGB), the not-for-profit national organisation
> for amateur radio enthusiasts

The blurb goes on to say:-

>Broker network Ten Insurance has launched a new scheme for
>The Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB), the not-for-profit
>national organisation for amateur radio enthusiasts.

>The new scheme will provide specialist cover for the 24,000
>licensed radio amateurs and enthusiasts in the UK.

24,000 ?

That's an odd mistake for the society to make about the number
of radio amateurs in the UK.

Even before the Fuckwits Licence there were about 60,000.
How many now - 75,000 ?

24,000 is more like the figure the RSGB would quote as having
membership reach to when negotiating a deal with anyone, but
not what you'd like to admit to having when you're claiming to
speak for all Uk radio amateurs or trying to convince OFCOM
that they have much support !

Thankfully it appears that this press announcement might have
inadvertantly given the game away, and I doubt the RSGB are
happy for such a figure to leak out ;-))

>Read the full article at
>http://www.postonline.co.uk/post/news/2184648/
>insurance-launches-scheme-amateur-radio-djs

A crap website that wants you to register just to look at some
crappy insurance industry press releases.

1) Foxtrot Oscar !

and

2) Judging by the url it's nice to see that the RSGB has correctly portrayed the market to them. Or have they been listening to too many FL scum on 2m ?

1007. eHam.net News for Saturday 16 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-16 22:26:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30334f9f90d8ca04c29e6b45@google.com>
Source record: 2824
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Leonardo's to Host American Radio Relay League Kids Day on Saturday:

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 05:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28487

Leonardo's Discovery Warehouse and Adventure Quest will host the first American Radio Relay League Kids Day on Saturday. The event is part of a national event held each year and is sponsored by Enid Area Ham Radio Club. The day is intended to get kids interested in Ham Radio. The Enid Amateur Radio Club was founded in 1936 and has included prominent members, such as astronaut Owen K. Garriott. Garriott previously has credited Ham Radio and getting him interested in subjects such as electrical engineering, eventually leading to him becoming an astronaut. Throughout the day Saturday, kids around the country will have an opportunity to communicate with one another using Ham Radio. High frequency, very high frequency and ultra high frequency radio rigs will be available for kids to use and make contact with kids from around country.

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Hams Gear Up to Set Long Distance Records, Practice Emergency Communication

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 05:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28486

PASO ROBLES -- Members of the Paso Robles Amateur Radio Club will work around the clock this weekend to set up field radio communication stations, get on the air and contact thousands of other operators in the U.S. and Canada as participants in the American Radio Relay League's Field Day. According to Joel Kaye, AD6KH, club president, Field Day is the annual "shakedown run" for the ARRL's National Field Organization. "Field day is a way for hams to get outdoors and have fun under some difficult conditions," Kaye said. "But it's also a chance to fine tune emergency communication skills. We use generators and battery power, and we set up antennas in the field. The idea is to put together a self-sufficient, working station quickly and begin making contacts." The ARRL Field Organization has been effective in establishing emergency communication nets during floods, hurricanes, fires, earthquakes and other major disasters. Field Day offers training for such emergencies as well as providing a contest environment where the objective is to make the highest number of contacts during the 24-hour contest period.

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Ham Radio Operators Monitor OC Wheelmen's 'Ride Around the Bear':

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 05:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28485

Members of the Orange County Wheelmen bicycle club started and finished their 28th Annual 'Ride Around the Bear' in Redlands. Ham radio volunteers with San Bernardino County helped monitor the Orange County Wheelmen's 100-mile "Ride Around the Bear," which started and finished Saturday at Sylvan Park in Redlands. Jeff Sabatini manned one of 12 comm sites on Highway 38's dogleg curve at the Forest Falls turnoff in Mill Creek Canyon. He had his pickup rigged with a radio tower to increase his signal output and reception in the steep-sided mountain gulch. "Ham radio works when everything else won't," Sabatini said. "This is good practice for emergency situations. Fire, flood, earthquakes."

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Modern Day Heroes of Tele-Communications Revealed:

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 05:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28484

Novato, CA, June 15, 2012 --(PR.com)-- HeroBook features the great men behind the evolution of the telephone. They are our modern heroes of today for without their brilliant innovations, the world would be different from what it is at present. If we talk about the history of telephones, Alexander Graham Bell's name would have a ring to it. However, electronic communications didn't begin with the telephone although it is considered as the first speech transmitter. Alexander Bain created the first patented facsimile where the images from a flat metal surface are scanned by a stylus then transmitting it to another fax machine. After his invention, many have created improved versions. Years later when Samuel Morse was able to convince the government to fund his transmitter's wires, the Morse code communication using the telegraph was opened to the masses. It was one of the widely used devices during the time of War. After these three origins of electronic communication devices, various innovations sprouted for the past century.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #24 de K7RA:

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 03:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28483

Solar activity was lower this week, although for the past few days sunspot numbers and solar flux were rising. Average daily sunspot numbers declined over 14.3 points to 116.1,
and average daily solar flux was off by 14.5 points to 115.9. There were five new sunspot groups this week, two each on June 9-10, and one more on June 13.

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Episode 40 is On-The-Air ...

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 03:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28480

AmateurLogic.TV Episode 40 is now available for download. George and Tommy visit Dayton Hamvention 2012 and cover a couple of events you might not normally see, The Icom Dealer Dinner and Top Band Dinner. Special guests: Bob Heil, K9EID (Heil Sound) - Gordon West, WB6NOA(GordonWestRadioSchool.com) - Ray Novak, N9JA (Icom) - Tim Duffy, K3LR (Contest University) - Tom Medlin, W5KUB(W5KUB.com) - John Davis, WB4QDX (GA D-Star Group) - Jim Wilson, K5ND(Boy Scouts of America) - Julian Frost, N3JF (Ham Nation) - Robin Cutshaw, AA4RC (DV Dongle/DVAP) - Martin Jue, K5FLU (MFJ Enterprises) and more.

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ARNewsline Report 1818 -- June 15 2012:

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 03:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28479

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams in Colorado and New Mexico go on high alert as wildfires rage in both states; new problems for a South African ham radio satellite; Brunei says that it is cracking down unlicensed use of ham radio gear; a verdict in the case of Greece vs. DJ6SI and ARRL Field Day 2012 is right around the corner. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1818 coming your way right now.

1008. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 194] IARU HF World Championship 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 00:56:10 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FDD2AB3.2060507@rac.ca>
Source record: 2825
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

[IARU-R2-News 194] IARU HF World Championship 2012
2012-06-15

To IARU Region 2 Member Societies:

The IARU HF World Championship 2012 will take place the second full weekend of July, beginning 1200 UTC Saturday and ending 1200 UTC Sunday (July 14-15, 2012).

The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU member society HQ stations, around the world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands.

We invite all IARU Region 2 member societies to actively participate with their official stations.

The rules for this year are available here:
http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship.

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1009. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 16 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 03:36:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411b5fcaf7504c2a1d17c@google.com>
Source record: 2826
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio enthusiasts meet for Ham Radio Day - WAFF

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 06:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2UoBDKbkRZQIwLgNZX2TdsxIkCQ&url=http://www.waff.com/story/18806576/amateur-radio-enthusiasts-meet-for-ham-radio-day

Amateur radio enthusiasts meet for Ham Radio Day
WAFF
Amateur radio enthusiasts gathered for Ham Radio Day in Huntsville on Saturday.

and more

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Local station set up for amateur radio operators on Field Day, June ... - Park Rapids Enterprise

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 08:53 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHlKL_TN3lAgb5rgxU3sjzDvjrtAQ&url=http://www.parkrapidsenterprise.com/event/article/id/33047/

Local station set up for amateur radio operators on Field Day, June ...
Park Rapids Enterprise
Despite the Internet, cell phones, e-mail, and modern communications; every year whole regions find themselves in the dark. Tornadoes, fires, storms, ice, floods ...
Ham radio show June 23-24DL-Online
Amateur Radio Field Day Event Is June 23-24 In Rock SpringThe Chattanoogan
Ham radio event plannedBrainerd Daily Dispatch
Sulphur Southwest Daily News -North County Times -White Mountain Independent
all 19 news articles

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Radio field day planned - Gettysburg Times

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 09:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGzk10_TfxfTqgCE0FPrGUZJ0tQTg&url=http://www.gettysburgtimes.com/news/local/article_8cc5aa97-7f54-51f3-ad01-468106abf7eb.html

Radio field day planned
Gettysburg Times
Local amateur (ham) radio operators will be participating in the national Field Day contest during the 24-hour period from Saturday, June 23 at 2

p.m., to Sunday, ...

and more

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Independence Day events, meetings, fundraisers and more - Tampabay.com

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 09:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHthSo59F7Qvz1b5EGog8UTAO8-NA&url=http://www.tampabay.com/news/briefs/independence-day-events-meetings-fundraisers-and-more/1235762

Independence Day events, meetings, fundraisers and more
Tampabay.com
HAM RADIO FIELD DAY: The Spring Hill Amateur Radio Club and Hernando County Amateur Radio Association will participate in the annual National Field Day ...

and more

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Amateur radio club reaching out to the world - Burnaby Now

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 02:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEtHSsnOTgTiqdMiRD49NKsmaz-hg&url=http://www.burnabynow.com/travel/Amateur%2Bradio%2Bclub%2Breaching%2Bworld/6786768/story.html

Amateur radio club reaching out to the world
Burnaby Now
This Fathers Day weekend, some long-lost kin are going to connect at the Burnaby Village Museum, thanks.

1010. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 17 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 06:38:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5299a93416cd704c2a54b93@google.com>
Source record: 2827
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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vette city hamfest

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 06:29 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350483-vette-city-hamfest&goto=newpost

Oct 6th 2012, Sloan Convention Center, Bowling Green, Ky Contact w4htb

1011. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 17 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 11:13:37 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf300e4f67cf8c9b04c2a92357@google.com>
Source record: 2828
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Public Demo of Emergency Communications from 23 to 24 June 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vwz9VZEqtPs/public_demo_of_emergency_communications.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Despite the Internet, cell phones, email communications and other
technologies, each year, entire regions are without communication. Radio
amateurs provide emergency communications for free to all agencies, from
the American Red Cross, FEMA, the Salvation Army and even the International
Space Station (ISS)

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Spacelab - STS-50 Mission 1992 video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K1qKRdRAxec/spacelab_sts_50_mission_1992_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 1992 space shuttle STS-50 mission was the first time that astronauts
received an amateur radio fast-scan television video. It was sent by the
ham radio club station W5RRR at the Johnson Space Center

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Remote rig control using an iPhone

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HN88Chpaxbs/remote_rig_control_using_an_iphone.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jorge Garci EA8TL uses his iPhone in Barcelona to have contacts via his
remote station in Tenerife, Canary Islands

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SARL roadmap presented to ICASA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/H6f0LwSjXTA/sarl_roadmap_presented_to_icasa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League (SARL) presented the Roadmap to regulatory
reform to ICASA at the quarterly liaison meeting held last week Thursday

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Good news for SADC visitors

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zmBGiW3F1jo/good_news_for_sadc_visitors.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League (SARL) would like to have an agreement in place for visitors from SADC (Southern African Development Community) countries similar to the CEPT one

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Bomber Command memorial

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z0cYM02G3qQ/bomber_command_memorial.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The new memorial to Bomber Command is to be opened on 28th June. Andrew, GW3OQK suggests we have some CW activity that day/evening especially in honour of Bomber Command operators

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Raspberry Pi used for Amateur Radio APRS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W_wcj8ofoLk/raspberry_pi_used_for_amateur_radio_aprs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Among the many ham radio applications that the $35 Raspberry Pi computer board has been used for is APRS

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SvpwzS398wg/june_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the Solar activity is at moderate levels

1012. Re: pityt there is nothing left but panix spam

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 15:13:36 UTC
From: UberJacker <nohijack@houston-hunks.com>
Message-ID: <aecfeec5-17a9-41ab-9cdb-707c57ac71a5@re7g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2829
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jun 16, 4:15 pm, "R. C." <inva...@mailme.not> wrote:
> On Fri, 15 Jun 2012 18:52:10 -0400, mark morgan wrote:
> > a dammed shame
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> True, but you are now reaping what you have sewn. You have no right to
> complain, even though PWS or one of his pals has stooped to your level.

Karma's a bitch, ain't it?

1013. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 17 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 16:24:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043f15445b04c2ad51cd@google.com>
Source record: 2830
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Public Demo of Emergency Communications from 23 to 24 June 2012

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 07:13 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350529-Public-Demo-of-Emergency-Communications-from-23-to-24-June-2012&goto=newpost

Public Demo of Emergency Communications from 23 to 24 June 2012

THE AMATEUR RADIO VOLUNTEERS CORPS OF PUERTO RICO

Despite the Internet, cell phones, email communications and other technologies, each year, entire regions are without communication. Tornadoes, fires, storms, rain and even the occasional drop fiber optic cables, leaving people without the media. In these cases the amateur radio service is the only one who has never failed so what Amateur Radio has been the media worldwide. These radio operators, often called "Radio amateurs" provide emergency communications for free to all agencies, from the American Red Cross, FEMA, the Salvation Army and even the International Space Station (ISS).

"The Amateur Radio Volunteers Corps Puerto Rico" will join thousands of amateur radio groups and radio operators around the world to demonstrate the capabilities of emergency communications. Since the past year, the news has been full of information for radio amateurs providing emergency communications during disasters that occur in every city in the world, including the California wildfires, winter storms, tornadoes and other events worldwide. When trouble is brewing, Amateur Radio groups are often the first to offer its communications equipment to provide information and help communities across the world.

On the weekend of June 23-24, 2012 the public will have the opportunity to meet and talk with hams and see for themselves that the Amateur Radio Service is so important to the U.S. and P.R. come and share with us today. Come and called the emergency communications work and the amateur radio group is working with the CERT team in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

This annual event, called "Field Day" or field day is a test of how to use single-minded alternative power sources like power plants, solar cell, batteries and other equipment all group and radio operators will be limited to works emergency stations in parks, malls, schools and recreational flights around the world. Their motto that, "When all else fails, there are the amateurs" are more than words to Amateur Radio, we can send messages in many forms without the use of telephone systems, internet or any other

infrastructure that can be compromised if of an emergency. More than 35,000 hams participarte in this worldwide event.

Demostración Pública de Comunicaciones de Emergencia del 23 al 24 de junio de 2012

EL CUERPO DE RADIOAFICIONADOS VOLUNTARIOS DE PUERTO RICO

A pesar de la Internet, los teléfonos celulares, comunicaciones por correo electrónico y otras tecnologías, cada año, regiones enteras se encuentran sin comunicación. Los tornados, incendios, tormentas, lluvias e incluso la caída ocasional de cables de fibra óptica, dejar a la gente sin los medios de comunicación. En estos casos el servicio de los radioaficionados es el único que nunca ha fallado por eso lo Radioaficionados a sido el medio de comunicación a nivel mundial. Estos operadores de radio, a menudo llamado "Radio aficionados" ofrecer comunicación de emergencia de forma gratuita para todas las agencias, desde la Cruz Roja Americana, FEMA , el Salvation Army e incluso para la Estación Espacial Internacional (ISS).

"El Cuerpo de Radioaficionados Voluntarios de Puerto Rico" se unirá a miles de grupos de radio aficionados y operadores de radio de todo el mundo para demostrar sus capacidades de comunicaciones de emergencia. Ya que Durante el año pasado, la noticia ha estado llena de información de los radioaficionados que proporcionan comunicaciones de emergencia durante los desastres que ocurren en todas las ciudades del mundo, incluyendo los incendios en California, las tormentas de invierno, tornados y otros eventos en todo el mundo. Cuando se avecinan problemas, los grupos de Radio Aficionado a menudo son los primeros en ofrecer sus equipos de comunicaciones para dar la información y ayudar a todas las comunidades del mundo.

En el fin de semana del 23-24 de junio de 2012 el público tendrá la oportunidad de conocer y hablar con radioaficionados y ver por sí mismos por que el Servicio de Radioaficionados es tan importante para los EE.UU. y P.R. ven y comparte con nosotros en este día. Ven y conoce como la comunicaciones de emergencia funciona y los grupo de radio aficionados trabaja junto a los equipo de CERT de Estados Unidos y Puerto Rico.

Este evento anual, llamado "Día de Campo" o field day es una prueba de cómo se usan sola mente las fuentes de alimentación alternas como plantas eléctricas, celda solares, baterías entre otros equipos todos los grupo y los operadores de radio estarán limitados a trabaja estaciones de emergencia en los parques, centros comerciales, escuelas y en las aéreas recreativas de todo el mundo. Su lema ese, "Cuando todo falla, están los radioaficionados" son algo más que palabras para los radioaficionados, nosotros puede enviar mensajes en muchas formas sin el uso de sistemas de telefonía, internet o cualquier otro tipo de infraestructura que puede verse comprometida en caso de un emergencia. Más de 35.000 radioaficionados participan de este evento en todo el mundo.

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Ham Radio Deluxe and ROC for TNCs now available in a bundled package

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 05:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350385-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-and-ROC-for-TNCs-now-availabl
e-in-a-bundled-package&goto=newpost

Tampa FL, St. Paul MN☐ June 16, 2012

HRD Software, LLC and W4PC software today announced a bundle package for
Ham Radio Deluxe and Radio Operations Center Software for Timewave/AEA and
Kantronics TNCs.

Many hams want to use the ARQ modes in Pactor, AMTOR and GTOR that are supported in hardware TNCs but not in soundcard software modes. Now W4PC Software☐s Radio Operations Center 3.99 for the TNCs synchronizes with the HRD DM-780 soundcard mode program so either ROC or DM-780 can key the radio through the TNC. If the TNC has a built-in soundcard (PK-232SC) or soundcard interface (PK-232PSK, PK-900PSK and DSP-232+), no radio-TNC-computer interconnection changes are necessary to switch between soundcard modes and the TNC modes.

☐The old meets the new☐, said Rick Ruhl, W4PC, owner of W4PC software and an owner of HRD, ☐ W4PC Software, HRD and Timewave programmers and engineers have combined to make TNCs and soundcard mode software compatible for the first time.

Randy Gawtry, owner of Timewave Technology and also an owner of HRD said, ☐Timewave has added a USB soundcard and rig control board to the legendary PK-232 to give the new PK-232SC a single USB cable connection to the computer from the TNC. Even with rig control, precision-timed hardware CW and FSK, there are only four connections from the TNC to the radio. Using only AFSK modes requires just two connections☐

The bundle price for ROC and HRD is $99.95.

HRD 5.2X is free, but will include a no charge upgrade to version 6.0 with
the purchase of 5.X support for $59.95. The retail version of HRD will be
$79.95 when it is released in August 2012. Those that have purchased or
will purchase the 5.X support will still get one year of support from the
date of the 6.0 release.

You can purchase and download the Ham Radio Deluxe/ROC bundle at
http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

Radio Operations Center information: http://www.w4pcsoftware.com

PK-232SC information: http://www.timewave.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/HRDsoftware

1014. Re: pityt there is nothing left but panix spam

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 17:44:05 UTC
From: mark morgan <konstans@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <jrl4r4$21jm$1@adenine.netfront.net>
Source record: 2831
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.misc

UberJacker wrote:
> On Jun 16, 4:15 pm, "R. C." <inva...@mailme.not> wrote:
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>>> a dammed shame
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>> True, but you are now reaping what you have sewn. You have no right to
>> complain, even though PWS or one of his pals has stooped to your level.
>
> Karma's a bitch, ain't it?
>

no skin off my nose just sad that RRAP is reduced to nothing but panix spam

--- Posted via news://freenews.netfront.net/ - Complaints to news@netfront.net ---

1015. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 17 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 18:22:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5299a932e637204c2af2089@google.com>
Source record: 2832
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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E51E Aitutaki Island

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 10:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350559-E51E-Aitutaki-Island&goto=newpost

5B4AIF will be active from Aitutaki Island (IOTA OC-083) 10 December 2012 -
5 January 2012 as E51E

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-cook-islands/

Its South Cook Islands

73 Al 4L5A

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Special Event K4O in Puerto Rico

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 06:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350526-Special-Event-K4O-in-Puerto-Rico&goto=newpost

K4O - Special Event in Puerto Rico

On Sunday July 1st 2012, the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee will be
celebrating the Flag Bearing of the Puerto Rico Delegation to the Summer
Olympic Games in London. This event marks the beginning of the
transatlantic journey to represent Puerto Rico in this international event.
The delegation will depart the Olympic Committee and will walk to the
Governor□s Mansion to receive the flag that will be used in the opening
ceremony and remain hoisted in the Olympic Village throughout the Games.

In celebration of such an important event, The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio
League will be joining the Olympic Committee in this celebration by setting
up a special event station from the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee
headquarters. We will be using the special callsign □K4O□ for this event.

We would like to use our radiowaves to let the world know that the Puerto
Rican delegation is ready for the games in London. Operation will be on
June 30 (9:00am-5:00pm) and July 1 (9:00am-2:00pm) from the headquartes of
the Puerto Rico Opympic Comitte in San Juan.

Contact Information: www.prarl.org 787-633-6847

Dr. José C Vicéns

President

Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League

El domingo 1 de julio de 2012 se celebra el abanderamiento de la delegación de Puerto Rico a los juegos Olímpicos de Londres 2012. Este evento marca el comienzo de la jornada trasatlántica para representar internacionalmente a Puerto Rico en el escenario olímpico. La delegación viaja desde el comité Olímpico de Puerto Rico hasta la fortaleza para ser recibidos por el gobernador y entregarles la monoestrellada que van a utilizar cuando marchen en el estadio Olímpico en Londres.

Con motivo de este significativo evento para Puerto Rico, Liga de Radioaficionados de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League) estará celebrando junto al comité Olímpico de Puerto Rico conmemorando tan digno evento con una transmisión especial. Estaremos utilizando unos indicativos especiales ☐K4O☐ para conmemorar tan importante evento.

Queremos dejarle saber al mundo a través de nuestras ondas de radio que la delegación de Puerto Rico está lista para los Juegos Olímpicos en Londres. Estaremos operando los días 30 de Junio (9:00am-5:00pm) y 1 de julio (9:00am ☐ 2:00pm) desde la sede del Comité Olímpico de Puerto Rico en San Juan.

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All Asian DX Contest - Politically Anti-American

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 05:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350525-All-Asian-DX-Contest-Politically-Anti-American&goto=newpost

I feel that the politicizing of the AA contest is bad and that people should avoid the contest until they stop. They have a part in their rules that is political says "(excluding U.S. auxiliary military radio stations in the Far East, Japan)." These are ham stations that are operated by mainly Americans. But, I remember one operated by a British guy many years ago. It is very impolite to treat the guests like that when they are visiting a country.

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Special Event K4O in Puerto Rico

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 04:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350517-Special-Event-K4O-in-Puerto-Rico&goto=newpost

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El domingo 1 de julio de 2012 se celebra el abanderamiento de la delegación de Puerto Rico a los juegos Olímpicos de Londres 2012. Este evento marca el comienzo de la jornada trasatlántica para representar internacionalmente a Puerto Rico en el escenario olímpico. La delegación viaja desde el comité Olímpico de Puerto Rico hasta la fortaleza para ser recibidos por el gobernador y entregarles la monoestrellada que van a utilizar cuando marchen en el estadio Olímpico en Londres.

Con motivo de este significativo evento para Puerto Rico, Liga de Radioaficionados de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League) estará celebrando junto al comité Olímpico de Puerto Rico conmemorando tan digno evento con una transmisión especial. Estaremos utilizando unos indicativos especiales □K4O□ para conmemorar tan importante evento.

Queremos dejarle saber al mundo a través de nuestras ondas de radio que la delegación de Puerto Rico está lista para los Juegos Olímpicos en Londres. Estaremos operando los días 30 de Junio (9:00am-5:00pm) y 1 de julio (9:00am □ 2:00pm) desde la sede del Comité Olímpico de Puerto Rico en San Juan.

Información de Contacto: www.prarl.org 787-633-6847

Dr. José C Vicéns

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Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League

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Harrisburg (PA) Radio Amateur Club Field Day Special Event Station

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 11:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350438-Harrisburg-(PA)-Radio-Amateur-Club-Field-Day-Special-Event-Station&goto=newpost

The Harrisburg Radio Amateur Club will be at the HACC Fire Safety Grounds
for Field Day June 23rd. We will be operating Special Event Station W3W
from the training ground located at Entrance 5 of HACC at 3599 Industrial
Road. N40.303645 W76.888379. All Hams and any one interested in emergency
communications are welcome to stop by and get on the air or just find out
more information. This will be the same site for the Firecracker Hamfest
held the following Saturday June 30.

For more info email WB3BKN@gmail.com

or call Terry Snyder 717 896-0256

www.w3uu.org

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Pottstown Area Amateur Radio Club's special event field day W3T & Gota
N3WXW

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 11:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350429-Pottstown-Area-Amateur-Radio-Club-s-special-event-field-day-W3T-amp-Gota-N3WXW&goto=newpost

Hello the Pottstown Area Amateur Radio Club . Will be using a special
event Field day call W3T For 2012. Our GOTA station Will be using the
callsign N3WXW. We will be operating from: 500 County line road
Gilbertsville,Pa. See link on goggle below for a map. We will Have a talk
in on the 147.210+ with a 131.8 tone on the Clubs's repeater.We will try to
have the talk in set up by 11:00am on June 23rd. Our set up Group will meet
for Breakfast at the Pottstown Diner on Route 100 at 9:00 am . Come join
us! We encourage youth participation And non hams to join in . learn what
Amateur radio is all about. We will assist in getting any one on the air
with our "Get on the Air" or GOTA station! Their is nothing like your first
radio contact. Especially if it is a long distance contact!

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Posted: 16 Jun 2012 10:32 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350424-Pottstown-Area-Amateur-Radio-Club-s-special-event-field-day-W3T-amp-Gota-N3WXW&goto=newpost

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PAARC_FD_Sign_N3WXW_GOTA__2012.pdf
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1016. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 17th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 20:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120617200003.4562333C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2833
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 17th June 2012

Silent Key

We have just heard with regret of the death on Tuesday, 22nd May of Dan Byrne EI2CK , 35 Endsleigh, Douglas Road, Cork. Dan's funeral took place on Thursday 24th May after Requiem Mass in St. Columba's Church to St. Finbarr's Cemetary. We extend our sincerest sympathy to his family. May he rest in peace.

Silent Key

The many friends of Joe Clarke CEng MIEI EI5CI will be sad to hear of his death on the 13th of June 2012, peacefully at his residence. A long time radio experimenter he was very knowledgeable in data modes and with Michael Lawlor EI3CN and Dermot Flanagan EI6FZ he was responsible for setting up the Dublin Digipeater in the late 1980's. In the early days of packet he operated his own bulletin board using a Commodore 64 Computer. A popular and approachable amateur he helped many getting started in computers and packet radio. Joe worked in electronics and held posts in the old Department of Posts and Telegraphs, Dublin Airport and Siemens Nixdorf eventually starting his own company Network Facilities. He resided for many years at Cowper Road, Rathmines, Dublin and later moved to Tinahely, County Wicklow. He will be sadly missed by his wife Maura, sons Ronan and Aodan, daughters-in-law Christine and Anne, Godson, relatives and friends. Ta se imithe ar sli na firinne anois. Ar dheis De go raibh a hanam dilis.

Counties Contest

A brief reminder that the IRTS 80 metres Counties Contest takes place today, Sunday 17th June. The contest runs from 14:00 to 17:00 UTC, and covers both CW and SSB. See the IRTS Contests page www.irts.ie/contests for the full rules: note, in particular, the need to observe the Band Plan -the relevant frequency ranges are listed in the contest rules.

Change in 40 Metre News Frequency

The present 40 metre radio news frequency has become increasingly busier on Sunday mornings. This has lead on occasions to some difficulty in the reception of both the bulletins and the reports on the transmissions. It has been decided, therefore, to move the transmission of the 40 metre news to a new frequency of 7123 kHz on and from Sunday the 1st of July. This frequency was selected after monitoring a range of frequencies over a period of time by amateurs who use this particular transmission of the radio news bulletin.

EI0IRTS

Affiliated clubs and individuals are invited to help put EI80IRTS on the air in this our 80th Anniversary year. If you or your club wish to use EI80IRTS please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB at ei4gxb /at/ gmail.com or Thos Caffrey EI2JD at thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com. Reports from SWL's are particularly welcome and a very attractive award is available for working the station.

DX News

Jeff N6GQ will be in Malta from 17 - 29 June. He will sign 9H3ZZ and QSLs go via his home callsign and Logbook of the World.

For those needing Iceland on 6m look out for TF/VE3MMQ and TF/VE3IKV between 17 and 30 June. These stations will be activated by W4TAA and VE3IKV from the south coast of Iceland. They will run 100w to an 8 ele yagi.

Members of the Telford and District Amateur Radio Society will be visiting Guernsey from 22 - 27 June. Their callsign will be GP3ZME/P and they will operate all bands 160 - 6m plus VHF and UHF. QSLs go via G3ZME.

Uli DL9WVM will be back in Dubai until 30 June where he will sign A6/DL9WVM. While there he will look into the possibility of operating from Dibba Rock in the Gulf of Oman which may count as AS-124 for the IOTA award..

Steve G3ZVW is QRV as V73/AF6SU until the end of the month. He is using the V73AX club station on Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshall Islands. QSL to G3ZVW direct or bureau.

German radio hams gain access to 472-479 kHz

Radio amateurs in Germany are now allowed to operate in the new 472-479 kHz band. Power limit is 1 watt e.r.p , max. bandwidth 800 Hz.

BBC is developing 3D radio

Researchers at the BBC's technology unit, BBC R&D, have been developing acoustics that can trick the listener into believing they are really at events such as concerts with sound coming from every direction - even above and below.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1017. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1066

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 20:11:39 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <862054.59152.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2834
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1066
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1066

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1066
BID: $OPDX.1066
June 18, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, K2PF, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N3QQ, WP3GW, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, W6SZN, N7US, K8CX, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, 1A0C, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1HYW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IK7JWX, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, SP9YFF Team, Sixitalia Weekly, TA1HZ, UT7FP, VA3RJ & ICPO, VE3ZIK, the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), VK4FW and YB0AZ for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 10th-June, through Sunday, 17th-June there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/m, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, S.M.O.M. (Press Release #2). The 1A0C Web page is now active, and the following press release was posted [edited]:
"Following the first press release about 1A0C, we proudly announce that the website about the amateur radio activity that will be held

from 1st to 4th July 2012 in Santa Maria del Priorato is now online.
You can visit it at: http://www.1a0c.com
While you'll find full details on the activation on the website, we
would like to remind you the strong commitment of the team to offer
the elusive 1A entity to as many hams outside Europe as possible. So,
since the beginning, we ask for understanding from European operators,
reminding them ham radio is also about being fair.
The website contains also a 'Donation' page. We ask every ham interested
to work 1A to check it, as the July activation of Malta Order has a goal
beyond amateur radio. Every QSO will contribute to that goal, so it's
really important to raise awareness about our project.
Thanking in advance for cooperation and help in spreading the word,
we kindly aim anyone looking for further details to get in touch with
p.r. and media contact <1a0c@1a0c.com>."

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as
2M1EUB for 14 days beginning June 26th. Activity will be on 160m, 80m,
and the satellites (mostly AO-7 B/A mode), as well as 2m SSB. Grid SQ.
covered should be IO76, IO77, IO87 and IO86. Check out QRZ.com under
2M1EUB for more info.

2M, SCOTLAND (Satellite Op). Paul, 2E1EUB, will once again be active as
2M1EUB for 7 days beginning March 24th. Activity will be from the eastern
side of Scotland in the Cairngorms National Park (WFF GMFF-001). Activity
will be on 160m, 80m, and the satellites (mostly AO-7 B/A mode), as well
as 2m SSB. Check out QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Jim, N6TJ, will once again be active as 9Y4W from
Scarborough, Tobago Island (SA-009, WLOTA 0412), during the CQWW DX CW
Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via DL4MDO, direct
or by the Bureau.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). After the surprise announcement by Alan,
VE1AWW, on going QRT from Sable (see OPDX.1064), the following announce-
ment showed up on the <http://www.cy0dxpedition.com> Web page dated
June 9th [edited]: "Operators Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK are scheduling
their third attempt to activate Sable Island in September/October, 2012.
The exact dates are being worked out with the Sable station and Environ-
mental Canada. The Team will plan to go the first opportunity allowed,
which is expected to be early October. We are committed to make Sable
Island happen in 2012. More details to follow."

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK (New Feature). With more and more DXpeditions
putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list
them (possibly) each week. This week's listings include:
2012 EJ0PL Saltee Island (EU-103) -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9kM6TrWg
2011 TX7M Marquesas Island - http://vimeo.com/44033816
2011 9L5MS Sierra Leone - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvlxjYoHs
2011 Rockall (IOTA EU-189) Preview DVD -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j0j92R7Q8

1990 T33R & T33T Banaba Island -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PpDCXqHIg

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Norman, 5B4AIF, will be active as E51E from a villa in Tautu Village on Aitutaki Island (OC-083) between December 10th and January 5th (2013). Activity will be holiday style using just basic antennas. Norman states, "I hope to have the HF2V for 40/80m. Shipped in advance everything else will travel with us. Inverted V's will be used for other bands unless I can get something 2nd hand to leave there. The radio will be a IC-7000, the amp will have the full legal power of 400 watts. I would like to operate at least SSB and RTTY, I am learning CW so if I am feeling able I will do some slow morse, but if no one sends slowly I will have to try another mode." QSL via EB7DX only. He is a ClubLog user.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-006. David, VO1AU, was active as VR2/VO1AU from Lantau Island, Hong Kong, this past weekend. Operations were mostly CW and 6 meters using 100 watts and simple antennas. QSL via VO1MX.

AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via eQSL.

AS-047. Operators Kan/JE1SCF and Yoshi/JG4IQC will be active as homecall/6 from the Daito Islands between June 27th and July 2nd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter band, but mainly CW and on 20/17/15 meters. They will use a HB9CV (20/15/10m) and a long-wire (40m). QSL via their home callsign.

AS-099 Berkin, TA3J, was active as TA3J/0 this past week from Yassica Adasi (Yassica Island). QSL via the TA3J QSL Service at <http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3j/qslservice.htm>, direct (only SASE and 1 IRC, no green stamps please) or by the Bureau. No eQSL. SWL QSL cards are OK. Twitter: @TA3J

AS-158. Members of the Harbin Institute of Technology Amateur Radio Club will be active as BY2HIT/2, Guanglu Island between July 25-31st. They will have 18 operators in a Multi-Op entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest weekend (July 28-29th). QSL via BY2HIT direct. Visit their Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/by2hit

EU-029. Philipp, HB9EYW, will be active as OZ/HB9EYW from Falster Island (DIA SJ-016, WLOTA 1961) between July 10-19th. Activity will be holiday style, and he will focus his operations on 40 meters. QSL via his home callsign by the USKA Bureau.

EU-034. Frank, DL1FT, will be active as ES0FTZ from Saaremaa Island (WLOTA 1401) between July 8-19th. Activity will be holiday style (on vacation) and his preferred bands will be 40/20 meters. QSL direct to DL1FT, or by LoTW and eQSL. Visit his

Web page at: http://www.DL1FT.de

EU-043. Bernd, DL8AAV, will be active as SD1B/6 from Orust Island between June 18-30th. Activity will be on, or near, the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via DL8AAV, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-044/
EU-139. (Typo in OPDX.1065) Operators Waldi/SP7IDX and Mek/SP7VC will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC from Mageroya Island (WW Locator KQ21VC) between July 20-29th (not June).

EU-056. (Correction) Operators Glenn/LA8XRA and Trond/LA9VDA will be active as LA6Q from Sand�y Island (not Little Sand�y Island) between August 13-17th. This will be a first activation of the Sand�y Lighthouse (WLOTA LH-2769). Activity will be on the 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via LA9VDA, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail requests for Bureau cards can be sent to: la9vda [at] gmail dot com). Trond states, "Thanks to W5BXX Dave for sponsoring us."

EU-064. Operators Geoffrey/F4FVI, Johan/F4GTD, Phillipe/F5TRO, Nicolas/F8BDB and Chris/HB9ELV will be active as TM1NOI from Noirmoutier Island between August 12-14th. Activity will be around the IOTA frequencies (+/- QRM): 3755, 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950, 28460 and 29600 kHz. A special QSL card will be printed. QSL via HB9ELV direct, by the Bureau via F4FVI or by eQSL or LoTW. For more details, see QRZ.com.

EU-073. A group of Italian operators will be active as IJ7A from San Pietro Island (Grid JN80NK) between July 28-29th. Operators mentioned are Gianni/I7PHH, Davide/IK4DCT, Vin/IK7IMO, Art/IK7JWY, Piero/IK7VJX, Roby/IK7XIV, Bartolo/IW7ECA and Luigi/IZ7PDX. The team will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via IK7XIV, by the Bureau or direct. For more datails and updates, watch:
http://ij7a.jimdo.com
http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?fh

EU-087. Operaors Adde/SM0SHG and Olle/SA0BVX will active as SB3X from Bramon Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Their equipment will be an Elecraft K3 with a 1 kW amp into a Spiderbeam (20/15/10m) and possibly a dipole for 40m. QSL via SM0SHG, direct or by the Bureau. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

EU-091. Operators Michele/IK7FPX, Gilberto/IK7LMX, Gianarlo/IK7QMJ, Cesare/IK7XNF, Paolo/IK7UXW, Angelo/IZ7CTE, Jean/IZ7SIA and Ivo/9A3A/I7 will be active as IQ7HK from Capezzone Island (Porto Cesaro-Lecce) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Dxpedition/Mixed-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via IK7FPX (see details on QRZ.com).

EU-121. Members of the Shannonbasin Radio Club and Galway Radio Experimenters Club will be active as EJ3Z from Inis Boffin Island off the west coast of Galway during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry. Operators mentioned are Enda/EI2II, Niall/EI4CF, Anthony/EI6GGB, Fergus/ EI6IB, Brian/EI8IU, Tony/EI3HA, Patrick/EI9HX and possibly others. QSL via EI6GUB.

NA-092. Dave, AC0QG, will once again be active as AC0QG/5 from South Padre Island (USI TX007S, Cameron County, Texas) between June 18th July 13th. Activity will be on the HF bands, on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by LoTW or eQSL.

NA-139. Stan, N2US, will be active as N2US/3 from Assateague Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ 12H entry. QSL via his home callsign, by the LoTW, Bureau or direct.

NA-213. Operators Allan/KV4T, Steve/KI4GGJ, John/AJ4T, Gaston/W4CCF and Nicholas/KJ4AVG will be active as homecall/p from Dauphin Island (USI AL002S, Mobile county, Alabama) between June 22-25th. Look for KV4T/P on 17m CW and AJ4T/P on 20m SSB. The other operators will roam the bands. QSL via the operator's home callsign.

OC-177. Members of the ORARI DXpedition & Contest Team will be active as YE0M from Kaliage Besar Island, in the Seribu Islands IOTA group, from July 6-9th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via YB1GJS. For more details, see: http://www.ye0m.com

OC-227. Operator YL Lyn, VK4SWE, a resident of Sweers Island, plans to once again be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via direct or eQSL.

K8CX'S 2012 DAYTON HAMVENTION PHOTO GALLERY. Tom's, K8CX, 2012 Dayton Photo Gallery is now up at: http://hamgallery.com/dayton2012/
This is Tom's 16th consecutive year for the gallery, and it contains 306 photos taken at Crowne Plaza at various events and hospitality suites.
You may submit your own Dayton photos to be included in this gallery. Please read the guidelines listed on the top of the gallery page. There is also an interesting Dayton Hamvention history link on top of this page.
ADDED NOTE: There is also a recap of this year's HamVention at:
http://hamgallery.com/gallery/D/hamvention2012.htm
If anyone has a forum review or interesting story, please submit it to K8CX <k8cx@hamgallery.com> to be included on this page.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 18-24th)....
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Jun/19th HN Jun/22nd AN Jun/24th AN
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update). Members of Russian Robinson Club (RRC), Yuri/N3QQ and Dick/N7RO will be making a quick trip down to American Samoa between June 27th and July 3rd, and will possibly be active as KH8PPG or KH8RRC, depending on how fast the FCC acts on their vanity callsign application, from Pago Pago. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with two stations on the air - one operating 100 watss and the other with 600 watts. Yuri tells OPDX that they "Plan to stay at hotel, near the beach, and have a RTTY station ready to go, all tested/packed." QSL via N7RO. While there, they will install a UHF repeater system for the StarKist tuna plant, and also talk with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS), as well as boat owners, about a potential expedition in the future to Rose Atoll (OC-190); possibly during this winter (no dates yet).

KP4, PUERTO RICO (Special Event). Dr. Jos� C Vic�ns, President of the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League (PRARL), announced [edited], "On Sunday July 1st, 2012, the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee will be celebrating the Flag Bearing of the Puerto Rico Delegation to the Summer Olympic Games in London. This event marks the beginning of the transatlantic journey to represent Puerto Rico in this international event. The delegation will depart the Olympic Committee and will walk to the Governor's Mansion to receive the flag that will be used in the opening ceremony and remain hoisted in the Olympic Village throughout the Games. In celebration of such an important event, The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League will be joining the Olympic Committee in this celebration by setting up a special event station from the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee headquarters. We will be using the special callsign "K4O" for this event. We would like to use our radiowaves to let the world know that the Puerto Rican delegation is ready for the games in London. Operation will be on June 30th (9:00am-5:00pm) and July 1st (9:00am-2:00pm) from the headquarters of the Puerto Rico Opympic Comitte in San Juan."

TEST CRUISE OF OH10X/MM ON BALTIC SEA. Kristina Cruises Ltd with Radio Arcala, OH8X, are in the process of testing whether a permanent amateur radio station will suit the maritime environment and serve DXers in their leisure time, whether cruising in the Mediterranean or off West Africa or just doing island-hopping in the Caribbean.
The objective for the first run is to look at potential interference issues both ways - from the amateur radio station to the ship's navigation system and from the ship's advanced PC networks to the reception of amateur

radio transmissions.
But while testing, with Martti, OH2BH, at the helm, another target is to contact all continents and achieve WAC to celebrate the occasion of signing a possible permanent agreement for the station to be available for guests with an amateur radio license.
The onboard station will be active at the peak propagation hours to various continents on 14267 kHz from June 20-24th, 2012, and the test cruise will take the ship to Estonia (ES), Gotland, Sweden (SM1), Aland Islands (OH0), and back to Finland.
The ship M/S Kristina Katarina is a 138m long vessel and has a cruising speed of 15 knots, with a maximum number of 450 guests and a crew of up to one-hundred. The ship is owned by a private Finnish company with a Finnish crew sailing under the Finnish flag. Two Finnair jetliners are backing the operations for change of passengers at a variety of ports along the way." For more details, see the following Web pages:
http://www.qrz.com/db/OH10X
http://www.kristinacruises.com/en/cruises/ms-kristina-katarina/introduction

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (IOTA op). An international team will visit five islands belonging to Papua New Guinea between October 19th and November 4th. Operators mentioned are Derek/G3KHZ, Hans/SM6CVX, Hans-Peter/HB9BXE, Eddy/K5WQG, Axel/DL6KVA and Non-ham Stig Nyman. The team will use the boat "M/V Barbarian", and start their travels from Kokopo in New Britain on November 18th, sailing via Kavieng to Emirau. The islands scheduled by the full team will be:
October 20-24th - Callsign P29VCX; Emirau Island (OC-103) in the St. Matthias IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.
October 27-31st - Callsign P29NI; Simberi Island (OC-099) in the Tabar IOTA Group. QSL via G3KHZ.
November 2-4th - Callsign TBA; Lihir Island (OC-069) in the Lihir IOTA Group. QSL Manager TBA.
The main team will fly home on November 6th. However, Hans/SM6CVX and Stig Nyman will continue to Buka on the "M/V Barbarian", and plan to activate the following:
November 6-9th - Callsign P29VCX; Buka Island (OC-135) in the Solomon Island IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.
November 9-12th - Callsign P29VCX; Manu Island (OC-205) in the Admiralty Island IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.

Activity will probably be 40-10 meters using mostly CW with some SSB just like last year's activity. They do have a Web page at:
http://www.p29ni.yolasite.com

P4, ARUBA. Herman, ON4QX, will be active as P4/ON4QX from Aruba between now (June 16th) and July 2nd. Activity will probably be on all bands, and mostly RTTY. QSL via ON4QX.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 15th)

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4L4ZA via DJ1CW HE5LC via HB9LC SM0/JH0CJH via JH0CJH
5P1YF via DL1YFF HF2012DWR via SQ1DWR SN0DMP via SP9PGB
9K2KCBB via 9K2RA II5MD via IZ5JLW SR0FLY via SP2SGF
DL/PY7COU via PY7COU IM0/IZ2RLO via IZ2RLO SV5/OM3AG/P via OM3AG
DL0FG via DL1YY IN3/DD0VF via DD0VF SV8/PA3DEU via PA3DEU
EA8/G7COD via G7COD IT9MBZ/IH9 via IT9MBZ TA/UY2UQ via UY2UQ
ED5DY via EA5DY KL7/W7IV via N7RO TF/OM5CD via OM5CD
ED6QY via EA6QY OD5PY via KU9C TM24H via F6KFI
EH8FSJ via EA8RKL OK5EPC via OK1AW TM210VH via F4GFE
ES0/ES5ADD via ES5ADD R44WFF via RA3AKF ZP7NIA via PY4KL
FS/K9EL via K9EL R200V via RK3LO
GB4EPC via M0TVT SF0K via SM0KCR

CHANGE in QSL ROUTE. Ralph, K2PF, informs, "I am no longer handling QSL cards for 4J9NM. QSL card request should now be sent direct to Denis, 4J9NM."

F8ATS/6W QSLS at FRIEDRICHSHAFEN. Tony, F8ATS, who was active as F8ATS/6W, will be attending the "HamRadio Messe" in Friedrichshafen and will have his QSL cards. Look for him at the CLIPPERTON DX CLUB/UFT stand on Saturday, June 23rd, from 1300-1400z. So, if you QSO'd him when being in Senegal, bring your QSL with details and you'll get your F8ATS/6W QSL card, from him. You can also write to Tony at <f8ats@yahoo.fr>, until June 21st, so you'll not have to wait for your card, in Fried.

SP9YFF DIPLOMAS. Members of the SP9YFF Team sent out the following [edited]: "Welcome radio Friends of Flora & Fauna -- Representatives of national WFF programs. We would like to ask you to post information about free-of-charge SRG SP9YFF diplomas at local portals and websites. These diplomas are assigned for hunters who managed to establish contact with SP9YFF expeditions. Further informations is available at: http://www.sp9yff.pl/dyplom/ff.php? "

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 2M0ONW, 4O3A, 4Z4DX, 5B4AIZ, 7O6T, 7Q7PRO, 9H1EJ, 9Q6AL, 9Z4AM, A92IO, A61BK, A65BR, CN8KD, CO2VE, CT1FIU, CT1GPQ, CU2KG, CX7TT, DF4WC, DU3/N0QM, EA6AZ, ER4DX, F8PDR, HC2/W7SE, HS0ZJU, JT1CO, KP2MM, LU2VH, LZ907SKB, MD0CCE, MU/PA2A, MW0ZZK, OJ0B, ON5UN, ON7CD, ON8RH, OZ9XU, PJ4C, PT5T, PT7ZT, PY0FM, PZ5P, RJ6J, RN3ZIC, RV3LO, RW6HX, RZ3FW, S59ABC, S79RR, SN2012WA, ST2AR, TA3AX, TF2LL, TF3Y, TK4LS, TK4LS, VK3EW, VK9XS, VP2MQR, VP2V/NY6X, VP5/KE1B, VY2SS, XE1L, XU7ACY, YJ0VK, YO6LV, YT2A, YV5JF, ZC4LI, ZL4PW, ZP6CW and ZQ2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0E, 3C6A, 9M2ESM, 9M0L, A35YZ, AL1F, AT2DW, DJ6OI/p, E51BKV, EJ0PL, FK/F4BKV, FS/F8PDR, FW0NAR, FW0NAR/P, HG15IPA, HK0NA, SV2BOH, TZ6NU, V25DR, V37NS, V85SS, VP2ETE, VP2EST, VP5H, XT2BW, YC6ODD, ZA20QA and ZF2AM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SILENT KEYS.....
* It was reported that Jean-Luc, F6BIV, became a Silent Key (SK). He was an avid digital DXer and DXpeditioner. He was also an active

member of the Clipperton DX Club (Medal of Merit) and the Provins ARC [F6KOP] (and KOP Team).

* Sayed, SU1SA, President of Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD), became a Silent Key (SK) on June 13th.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above operators.

T30 & T32, WESTERN AND EASTERN KIRIBATI. Benaia, T32BN, who works for the Police Force of the Kiritimati Government, can also be active spo-radically as T30BN during job transfers to Tarawa, W. Kiribati. Bill, VK4FW, informs OPDX that he is just getting things set up and as time progresses Bill will assist him with antennas for various bands. As this was being written, there were no QSNs been reported yet. QSL both callsigns via VK4FW.

TC, TURKEY (LH Ops!). Members of the Special Wireless Activity Team (TCSWAT) and the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club (GITRAD) will be activating some new lighthouses for the WEBLOTA. Between June 30th and July 1st, look for TC6BLH to be on the air from the Sinop Boztepe Lighthouse, and during the IOTA weekend (July 27-29th), look for the lighthouse on Kefken Island (AS-159) to be activated as TC2KLH. The TC2KLH team will probably a Multi-Op/Island entry in the contest. Detailed information about the WEBLOTA is available at:
http://www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA/index.html
Unfortunately, the joint activity from Giresun Island (AS-154) as TC0HA had to be cancelled as the necessary permission could not be obtained from the authorities. QSL via TCSWAT, see details on their Web site at:
http://www.tcswat.org

UR DX DIGI 2012 CONTEST. Victor, UT7FP, wants to remind everyone that the 2012 Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest will be held June 23-24th. Complete details can be found at: http://www.izmail-dx.com
--or--
http://ut7fp.kiev.ua

VP9, BERMUDA. Operators George/WB3IGR and XYL Katherine/WB3LTH will be active as homecall/VP9 between June 18-21st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. Operations will be mostly during their mornings and evenings. QSL via their home callsigns direct. No LoTW or eQSL.

W9DXCC CONVENTION (Correction/Update). Jim, N7US, from the Northern Illinois DX Association, informs: "I need to make a correction. The Friday night bar is a cash bar, not an open bar!. We are continuing to firm up the program and look forward to a great convention (even if everyone has to buy their own drinks!)."

XV, VIETNAM. Andy, P29CS, is currently working in Vietnam, and expects to be active as XV3C for the next few weeks during his spare time. Andy has with him an Icom 706 II DSP, a Spider Beam for 10m, G5RV and a 500 watt amp. QSL Via M0URX.

YASME FOUNDATION PRESS RELEASE [YASME AWARDS AND EXPANDED LIST OF ELIGIBLE CALL SIGNS]: "The Yasme Foundation has for many years offered two Yasme Awards, available at no cost to qualifying applicants. The first Yasme Award, in the form of a handsome plaque, is offered to those amateurs who submit proof of 30 QSOs with Yasme officials and DXpeditions that have at least one Yasme official as a participant. The second, the Yasme Supreme Award, is in the form of a representation of the YASME boat used by Danny Weil in his around-the-world DXpedition and is available to those who submit proof of 60 QSOs with Yasme officials and DXpeditions with a Yasme official as a participant. See <www.yasme.org>.
After a year-long evaluation of the rules for qualifying call signs, the Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the rules for qualifying call signs have been revised. As a result, many call signs have been added to the list. The revised list of call signs eligible for both awards is available at the Yasme Foundation website:
http://www.yasme.org/DXpeditions.html
The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing (long distance communication) and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in underdeveloped countries. For additional information about The Yasme Foundation, visit our website at <www.yasme.org>.
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Robert Vallio, W6RGG, Director"

YU, SERBIA (WFF Op!). Operators Milan/YU5CW, Miso/YU1GU, Miro/YT1UM and Mirko/YU3MMM will be active as homecall/p from the Special Nature Reserve "Obedska Bara" (YUFF-039) between June 23-24th. Activity will be on HF bands. QSL via the bureau.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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1018. eHam.net News for Sunday 17 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-17 22:30:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411cff88f6404c2b2960d@google.com>
Source record: 2835
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Good 2 Go:

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28494

'HAM' Field Day -- The ARRL (American Radio Relay League) has a nationwide "Field Day" event each summer. This event consists of members of amateur radio groups taking their equipment to "the field" and exercising their capabilities. One such group of "hams" is the local 4x4 Ham group and it will be operating a station on the Rim. Non-radio folks are invited to attend and learn about amateur "ham" radio. Please join the 4x4 Ham group for ARRL Field Day June 22-24. The Field Day objective is to work as many stations as possible on any and all amateur bands (excluding the 60, 30, 17, and 12-meter bands) and to learn to operate in abnormal situations in less than optimal conditions.

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Staying Connected:

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 05:17 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28493

Ham radio operators plan for annual emergency training day: They provided support during Hurricane Isabel in 2003, to La Plata during its devastating 2002 tornado and to the Pentagon during the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. They are amateur radio operators, and during emergency situations, they could end up being Calvert County's only source of communication with the rest of the world. That's all according to the word of Les Dickey of Prince Frederick, a member of the Calvert Amateur Radio Association, the oldest amateur radio club in the county, dating back to the 1950s, the group's website states. Dickey, other members of CARA, volunteers and officials from the Calvert area are gearing up for the annual CARA Field Day, when amateur radio operators try to make contact with other emergency communications participants throughout the U.S. and Canada for a 24-hour period.

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Nutley Club Reactivates USS Ling's Radio Room in Hackensack:

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 05:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28492

Brazil, Germany, Russia, France, Belgium and all around the world HAM radio enthusiasts contacted the Nutley Amateur Radio Society, who broadcast recently from the re-activated radio room of the USS Ling on the Hackensack River, a part of Museum Ships Weekend. The event is well-known in the HAM radio world and typically attracts enthusiasts from all over, said NARS president David Calo. The way is works is HAM radio operators contact the station and get special certificate cards for their participation. The NARS' six members - Kelly Palazzi, Tony Testa, Bob Portner, Pete Gloistein, Frank Levine and Calo - operating three radio stations from a Saturday afternoon through Sunday morning nonstop, two within the vessel and one outside. "It's a constant thing," with contacts coming in many at one time, Calo said. From there, the staff confirm their QSO, with conversations commonly held through Morse Code. The contact list included stations from the Ukraine, Spain, England, Scotland, Argentina, Bulgaria, Sweden and around America, contacting a total 564 stations.

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An Old Form Of Talk Radio Is All In The 'Hamily':

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28491

If amateur radio were to paraphrase Mark Twain, it'd be, "The reports of my death are greatly exaggerated." No, the evolution of cell phones hasn't killed off amateur radio. In fact, "hams" (amateur radio operators) have an advantage to cell phones. As teenager Matthew Warren (K5CLS) explained it, in places where cell phone reception is intermittent or almost non-existent (he wasn't referring to Rio Rancho's City Center area and Cleveland High School), amateur radio can be a godsend \& and sometimes, key to "God send help." Matthew's family consists of ardent ham radio operators -- and it's a four-generation deal, and probably destined to add a generation after he and his two sisters have grown up and have families of their own. Their mother, Suzanne (KF5JMH), said her father, Fred Lete, known to ham radio operators as KC5IPK, has been into amateur radio for decades, even to the extent to building a "repeater" on the crest of Sandia. "As long as you can see the (Sandia) crest, you've got a signal," says her husband, Richard (KF5JME), another ham. And Suzanne's stepmother (KD5VPR) is also a ham.

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Massive Solar Flare In March Broke Sun Storm Records:

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28490

A massive flare that exploded from the solar surface in March unleashed the highest-energy light ever seen during a sun eruption, scientists say. On March 7, the sun let loose a massive X5.4 solar flare during its biggest outburst in five years. NASA's Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope saw an unusually long-lasting pulse of gamma rays -- a form of light with even greater energies than X-rays -- produced by the flare. At the flare's peak, the gamma rays that were emitted from the sun were 2 billion times more energetic than visible light, making it a record-setting detection during or immediately after any previously seen solar flare, researchers said. In

fact, as the flare erupted, the sun briefly became the brightest object in the gamma-ray sky.

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Press Release: HRD and ROC for TNCs Now Bundled:

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28489

HRD Software, LLC and W4PC software today announced a bundle package for Ham Radio Deluxe and Radio Operations Center Software for Timewave/AEA and Kantronics TNCs.

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Field Day: Get Up and GOTA - HamRadioNow:

Posted: 15 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28488

Now this is a talk show. 90 minutes of Jeff and Gary on the studio couch, talking about lots of stuff, but mostly how they operated a unique GOTA station last year. And we've got video of kids operating GOTA. Super-cute! Dial in Episode 13 at HAMRADIONOW.tv

1019. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 17 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 03:45:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406edf7620c04c2b60376@google.com>
Source record: 2836
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio Field Day to be held June 23-24 - The Saratogian

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 07:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEzjuWn3Hsqd3mUwQUMIvzfFYPbeQ&url=http://saratogian.com/articles/2012/06/17/news/doc4fde8b2e62770852309991.txt

Ham radio Field Day to be held June 23-24
The Saratogian
WILTON — Saratoga County ham radio operators will hold a Field Day ... More than 35000 amateur radio operators across the country participated in last years ...
Ham radio Field Day is June 23-24News-Sun
Sometimes it Takes an Amateur to Communicate in a DisasterPatch.com
Amateur Radio Field Day Event Is June 23-24 In Rock SpringThe Chattanoogan
DL-Online -Park Rapids Enterprise -Brainerd Daily Dispatch
all 23 news articles

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In brief: Ham operators to join readiness exercise - DeSoto Appeal

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 10:03 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE-BhGYLcmkPy8t2apT2aO2uz_--w&url=http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/jun/17/briefly/

In brief: Ham operators to join readiness exercise
DeSoto Appeal
At the exercise, the Olive Branch Amateur Radio Club will provide equipment for the public to try out ham radio and get hands-on experience. Club members ...

and more

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Amateur radio event in Newington this weekend - Examiner.com

Posted: 14 Jun 2012 02:55 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEwBff9b2NN9hkUD--MGoV6IFKh9Q&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/amateur-radio-event-newington-this-weekend

Amateur radio event in Newington this weekend
Examiner.com
The Newington Amateur Radio League (NARL) will hold its annual ham festival on Saturday, June 16th from 8 a.m.to 2 p.m. at Saint Marys School, 625

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1020. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 18 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 11:07:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93411b554948704c2bd2b04@google.com>
Source record: 2837
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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K4O - Puerto Rico Special Event

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3D4I-Cdey-Q/k4o_puerto_rico_special_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Sunday July 1st 2012, the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee will be
celebrating the Flag Bearing of the Puerto Rico Delegation to the Summer
Olympic Games in London

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AMSAT 2012 Symposium Weekend schedule posted

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EdtPrFTzgVE/amsat_2012_symposium_weekend_schedule_posted.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium will be held in Orlando,
Florida on the weekend of October 26-28, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Orlando
Airport Hotel

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Sovereign Military Order of Malta

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FoPlSTwvZIk/sovereign_military_order_of_malta_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the first press release about 1A0C, we proudly announce that the
website about the amateur radio activity that will be held from 1st to 4th
July 2012 in Santa Maria del Priorato is now online

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Change in IRTS 40 metre news frequency

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7WbM4b8csWw/change_in_40_metre_irts_news_frequency.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society's present 40 metre radio news
frequency has become increasingly busier on Sunday mornings

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yGAWXC4l7ks/dxcc_report_1806.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
10th-June, through Sunday, 17th-June there were 218 countries active

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IARU HF World Championship 2012

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The IARU HF World Championship 2012 will take place the second full
weekend of July, beginning 1200 UTC Saturday and ending 1200 UTC Sunday
(July 14-15, 2012)

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q5I1yKKHfVM/june_18.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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1700 km cycle ride to Friedrishchafen

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jrUlRkNVrgA/1700_km_cycle_ride_to_friedrishchafen.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Friedrishchafen Ham Radio event takes place June 22-24 and Raul EA2SS
is travelling 1700 km on his bicycle to get there

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Double CME hits Earth, sparks auroras

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CMrtjLbxeUo/double_cme_hits_earth_sparks_auroras.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As predicted, a double CME hit Earth's magnetic field on June 16th

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 17th June 2012

The news headlines:

Ofcom announces that a small block of 2m is required for the London 2012 Summer Olympic Games

New Interference Regulations announced to protect London 2012

German amateurs get 472-479kHz band

In the July RadCom it was announced that Ofcom had approached the RSGB to discuss temporary usage of a few channels on 2m to support the London 2012 Summer Olympic Games. Following negotiations with the RSGB to minimise the impact on amateurs, Ofcom has now announced that it will temporarily authorise a small block of 12.5kHz channels on that band. The frequencies are from 144.0125MHz to 144.1375MHz, but only for the period 27 July to 28 August 2012. The frequencies specifically exclude the CW calling frequency, 144.050MHz, and the Meteor Scatter calling frequency, 144.100MHz. Ofcom are also aware of the various contests on 4 and 7 August and will work with Game users to keep operations to a minimum on these dates. Usage of this spectrum by Games users will be in the vicinity of London Olympic venues, and will be limited to handhelds with a maximum output of 5 watts. Ofcom emphasises that use of Primary Amateur spectrum is only for the specified time period and does not constitute a change of usage. The full Ofcom statement can be found at www.rsgb.org/Olympics.

Ofcom has announced its decision to make the Wireless Telegraphy (Control of Interference from Apparatus) (the London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games) Regulations 2012. These Regulations will regulate the intensity of the electromagnetic energy at which electrical and electronic apparatus operates, such that it does not cause undue interference with wireless telegraphy apparatus used for public safety purposes, within a specified protection area, for the duration of the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. They will come into force in July 2012, prior to the commencement of the Games. Copies of the Regulations will be available via www.legislation.gov.uk.

German amateurs with a Class A licence are now allowed to operate in the new 472-479kHz band. The power limit is 1W erp, with a maximum signal bandwidth of 800Hz.

Cyprus is going to hold the EU presidency, for the first time, for the six months from 1 July. To commemorate the occasion, a number of Cyprus Amateur Radio Society members have been granted the use of P3EU, which will only be valid for the six months until 31 December. There will be a 24 hour special event on 1 July. A special QSL card will be available. Operators will be active on the HF bands using SSB and CW for the 24 hour event and using all modes on the HF and VHF bands during the six months of P3EU.

The Worked All Britain group would like to thank all the clubs and individuals who have taken part in the Torch Relay so far. It runs until 27 July, so there's still plenty of time to work stations around the UK as the torch makes its way to London. Check out the WAB website for full details, www.worked-all-britain.co.uk. Today the Durham and District Amateur Radio Society will be operating GX4WAB to commemorate the Olympic Torch being in Durham in the NZ24 Square. Operation will be on all HF bands and 2 metres.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 25th Newbury Radio Rally and Boot Sale will be held at the Newbury Showground, next to junction 13 of the M4 today, 17 June. Doors open at 9am and admission is ?2. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and a demonstration marquee with display of amateur radio on air.

Hull & District Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open event on Sunday 24 June at the HADARS Club House, Walton Street Leisure Centre, Goathland Close, Walton Street, Hull. There will be a Bring and Buy followed by an auction at 1pm. Doors open for viewing at 10.30am. There will be a BBQ and refreshments available. Further details from Julian on 07901 230 012.

On Sunday 24 June the West Of England Radio Rally takes place at the Cheese & Grain, Bridge Street, Frome, Somerset BA11 1BE. There will be car parking, catering, disabled facilities, trade stands and an RSGB book stall. Contact Shaun, G8VPG, on 01225 873 098

Now for the news of special events

Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society will be putting GB0BON on air today, 17 June at Rupert's Viewpoint. It will be the 367th anniversary of the Battle of Naseby and the third anniversary of GB0BON.

Eddie, G0VVT will be operating from the Belleek Pottery Museum under the call of GB0BPM today, 17 June for Museums on the Air.

Reading and District Amateur Radio Club will be taking part in Museums on the Air today, 17 June from the Museum of Berkshire Aviation, Woodley using the callsign GB2MBA. Visitors are welcome.

Today, 17 June, sees the second and final day of IQ1SV, commemorating the torpedoing of SS Transylvania in 1917 near the isle of Bergeggi, Italy, with the loss of 407 lives. Operation is on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10m, with SSB, CW and PSK31. A commemorative QSL card is available.

Full details are on QRZ.com.

Also today, the Radio club of Binche will activate the Special Event Station ON44WAR from the historical place of Br�ly-de-Pesches in Belgium in order to commemorate the Belgian Resistance. Activity will be from 9am to 5pm local time. Full details are on their website, www.on7ry.be.

The Kent Weald Radio Club will be holding a field event at Headcorn Airfield, Kent, TN17 9HX, until 24 June. This activity will encompass the two Museums on the Air weekends. Using the callsign of GB1HA, the station will use HF, VHF & UHF bands. Visitors are welcome to call in to see the operation.

GB4H will be on the air from Coventry on 23 and 24 June. Run by the Coventry Amateur Radio Society, they plan to have HF and VHF stations.

On 23 and 24 June, Milton Keynes ARS will be running GB2AMT within Bletchley Park to recognise both the Centenary of the birth and the memory of Alan Turing, whose wartime work at the Bletchley Park is well known. The station will be working all HF bands.

North Wakefield Radio Club will be operating a Special Event Station at Holt Cross Station, Middleton, Leeds, to commemorate the 200th anniversary of steam festival at Middleton Light Railway. The station will be on the air from approximately 9am to 5pm over the weekend of 23 and 24 June. The expected callsign for the event is GB2MLR.

Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB2RRM for International Museums Weekend on 23 and 24 June from the Ramsey Rural Museum, Ramsey, Cambridgeshire.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Guernsey may not be not a particularly rare DX entity, but an unusual prefix will soon be visiting, in the form of GP3ZME/P. Telford & District ARS are visiting the island from 22-27 June, operating on all HF, VHF and microwave bands up to 24GHz. They will be active on most modes including data, PSK etc. More details are on QRZ.com.

Taka, JA8COE, will be active as homecall/8 from Yagishiri Island, AS-147, between June 16 and 19. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres, using SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the Bureau.

Operators Waldi/SP7IDX and Mek/SP7VC will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC from Mageroya Island, EU-044, WW Locator KQ21VC, between June 20 and 29. They plan to have 2 stations on the air - one on the HF bands and the second on 6m. Operations will be on 80-6m will use SSB and RTTY. They will also be in the RSGB IOTA Contest on July 28 and 29. They will be using Win-Test to send QSOs to Clublog in real time. During their travel to Mageroya Island, there is a possibility to activate Seskaro Island, EU-139, WW Locator KP15VR, in the evening or night of June 19 and the morning of the 20th. Callsigns there will be SM/SP7VC and

SM/SP7IDX. QSL via their home callsigns. The log will be uploaded in LoTW.

Dandy, K6ZRH/DU1IMA, will be active as K6ZRH/DU1 from Palawan Island, OC-128, WLOTA 1612, between June 10th-30th. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 15 metres, SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct only.

Now the contest news

The 50MHz Trophy finishes today, 17 June, at 1400UTC. Using all modes the exchanges is signal report, serial number and locator.

The IRTS 80 Counties Contest takes place today, 17 June, from 1400 to 1700UTC. Using SSB and CW, the exchange is signal report and serial number. EI and GI stations also give their county.

The Worked All Britain 50MHz phone contest takes place today, Sunday 17 June, from 0900 to 1500UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website, www.worked-all-Britain.co.uk, or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, by email to aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

On 19 June the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report serial number and locator.

The SSB leg of the 80m club championships takes place on 21 June from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 50MHz CW Contest is a new event to the calendar. It runs from 0900 to 1200UTC on the morning of Sunday 24 June and the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

In the afternoon of the 24th the 4th 70MHz Cumulative takes place from 1400 to 1600UTC. The exchange is also signal report, serial number and locator.

The Marconi Memorial Contest runs for 24 hours on the 23rd-24th, from 1400 to 1400UTC. There are single-op and multi-op categories in this CW event, in which the maximum permitted power is 100 watts. There is also a 5 watt QRP category. Using the 1.8 to 28MHz contest bands. the exchange is signal report and serial number.

Finally, the UK?G Cumulative Contest takes place on Sunday 24th. Activity will be on 5.7, 10 and 24GHz from 1000 to 1600UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 8th to the 14th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 15th of June.

Thanks to the STEREO Behind spacecraft, which allows us to see sunspot groups for more than a week before they rotate into Earth view, we had advance warning of a solar flare producing region. This group rotated into view on the 9th and produced two M class flares that day. Since

then further M class flares have taken place on the 10th, 13th and the 14th. The remaining days' solar activity was low, with only C class solar flares occurring. Solar flux levels increased from 124 units on the 8th to 149 by the 14th. The average was 135 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 14th was 118 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged B6.4 units and increased from B4.7 units on the 8th to B9.7 by the 14th. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but, on the 11th, a glancing blow from a coronal mass ejection increased activity. An Ap index of 16 and 14 units were recorded on the 11th and the 12th respectively. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 630 kilometres per second on the 8th to 350 by the 14th. Particle densities were low, except for a brief increase to 14 particles per cubic centimetre on the 13th and 12 on the 14th. Bz varied between minus 10 and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the 11th and the 12th and between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days. Sporadic-E occurred daily on 28, 50 and 70MHz but openings on 144MHz were few and brief and only enjoyed by parts of the UK.

And finally the solar forecast. This week we still have the active side of the Sun looking our way. The large active region looks set to continue producing large solar flares on some days. Solar flux levels may peak today or tomorrow at around 145 units, levels are then expected to decline gradually. For the next couple of days, geomagnetic activity is expected to be at unsettled levels due to a recurring coronal hole. However, even though activity should be quiet for the remainder of the period, there is the possibility that a coronal mass ejection could take place as a result of a large solar flare from the large active region. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 25MHz for the south and 22MHz for the south. Darkness hour lows could be around 15MHz later in the week, but could be several MHz lower at first due to the coronal hole disturbance. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 20MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. Mid morning will be the best time to try this path. However, MUFs via the long path will be slightly higher and the best time to try this will be around midday. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days with opening up to 144MHz possible in any stronger openings that take place.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in Museums on the Air at East Kirkby from 10.00 on Sunday 17 June. There's a committee meeting at the shack on Monday, and on Tuesday the shack sees participation in the 1.3GHz UK AC from 20.00. A formal meeting takes place at the BSA Club at 20.15 on Wednesday. Thursday sees the club simplex net on 145.375MHz from 8pm. On Saturday 23 June there's the surgery in the shack from 9am, plus the weekend Museums on the Air event from 10am at East Kirkby and the 70MHz Cumulative at the shack from 14.00-16.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is visiting the Newbury Radio Rally on Sunday 17 June, then spending Monday getting ready for VHF NFD. Thursday see training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and on Friday there's shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 6m Trophy on the Long Mynd on Sunday 17 June, with G0UFE in charge. On Wednesday they are planning for NFD and making final arrangements for the week-long Guernsey DXpedition, which leaves on Friday. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. On Friday there is an HF club net on 3.748MHz from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Kettering club on Monday, then taking part in the 80m SSB Club Contest on Thursday. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

Wythall Radio Club is holding an Intermediate exam on Monday, then on Tuesday there's a free 'n' easy evening. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a video night on Friday 22 June. On Saturday 23 June they commence their Museums on the Air weekend event, operating GB4H at The Herbert Art Gallery & Museum, Coventry. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 18 June Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on long wire & vertical antennas. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday 18 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal and newcomers' night. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday 19 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is considering technical topics. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 19 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on 70cm TV by Albert, G1KSC. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 19 June Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is holding a club net on 145.350MHz FM from 7.30pm. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 20 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is planning for Field Day and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Thursday 21 June Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a talk on ATUs by Mike, G3TSO. Contact Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

We start with advance notice that Oldham Amateur Radio Club will be holding an ARDF event on 30 June at Strinesdale Moor. Registration will be from 10am. For further information please contact Phil Ellis, M0GIE, by email to philipus@ntlworld.com, or visit the club web site, www.oarc.org.uk.

Now for clubs that have several events this week. Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a social evening and, if weather permits, a barbecue, on Monday 18 June. On Thursday they are taking part in the RSGB 80m SSB Club Contest from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

Wakefield & District Radio Society is on the air and holding a committee meeting on Thursday. On Saturday 23 June the Intermediate and Advanced courses continue from 13.30. Details from Ken, G8FSO, by email to g8fso@wdrs.org.uk.

On 22 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air on Friday. On Saturday 23 June they commence their International Museums Weekend event, operating GB0ZLB from The Zetland Lifeboat Museum, The Esplanade, Redcar, TS10 3AH. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 18 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on RAYNET by Geoff Darby. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Tuesday 19 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a field evening on Norland Moor. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 19 June Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on antennas for beginners by Ken Hough. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 19 June Otley Amateur Radio Society is having a Morse class by G0WNT. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Tuesday 19 June Stockport Radio Society is having a talk on LC networks and antenna matching by Bernard, G3SHF. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 20 June Denby Dale Radio Club is having a presentation on Kirchhoff's rules by Ian Thompson. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 20 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on The U2 Incident by G0WHO. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 21 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m SSB Club Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 21 June Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 21 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding a SSB BBQ. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 22 June Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having a talk about the Old Days by M0WJW. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Wednesday Glenrothes & DRC is preparing for its forthcoming outdoor activities, then on Saturday 23 June they commence their weekend event for Museums on the Air from Scotland's Secret Bunker. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is renovating the club's antenna on Thursday. Friday sees the start of the Museums Weekend event at the Bennachie Centre. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday 19 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is holding Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 20 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having an HF activity night from 19:00 to 22:00. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723, www.cpsarc.com

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

We start with advance notice that Crystal Palace Radio & Electronics Club will commence its next Foundation training course on Saturday 21 August. It will continue for the next three Saturdays, followed by the Foundation exam on the evening of Friday 10 August. The venue for the training course is the Parish Rooms, St Johns Church, Sylvan Road, Upper Norwood, SE19 2RX. Details are on the web at www.g3oou.co.uk.

And now for clubs that have several events this week. Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an Advanced tutorial on Sunday 17 June. Tuesday sees a DF hunt in the local area by Richard, G8ITB. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

Radio Society of Harrow is at Old Redding on Sunday 17 June calling CQ GX3EFX/P. On Friday, RSGB Regional Manager Alison Johnson, G8ROG and RSGB Board member Don Beattie, G3BJ are visiting. The venue for this event is Harrow Arts Centre, Greenhill Room, 171 Uxbridge Road, Hatch End HA5 4EA, and all are welcome to attend. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

East Kent Radio Society is considering computers and amateur radio on Monday, then on Sunday 24 June it's the Stelling Minnis meeting and picnic. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a 80m CW net 3.570MHz from 1pm on Monday, followed by a 2m net on 144.675MHz at 8pm. On Wednesday there's a slow CW 80m net on 3.570MHz, then on Friday it's the Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8pm. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net from 8.30pm on Tuesday. On Saturday 23 June they are operating GB100MWT from Sandford Mill to commemorate the opening of New Street and the International Wireless Conference visit 100 years ago. Marconi & RAF personnel are particularly invited. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is preparing for Barford Rally on Wednesday, then taking part in the RSGB 80m SSB Club Championship on Thursday. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening on Wednesday, then taking part in the RSGB 80m SSB Club Championship on Thursday. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 17 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is running the Newbury Radio Rally. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Monday 18 June Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Ham Radio Deluxe by Richard, 2E0XRS. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 18 June Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk by Roy, G8CKN, entitled ``Antennas don't have gain''. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Tuesday 19 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 19 June Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group from 7.30pm at the Rose and Crown Pub, Sandridge. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday 20 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members' forum. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Thursday 21 June Colchester Radio Amateurs are holding a wire antenna experimental evening with Jeff, G7TAT. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 21 June Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its annual DF hunt around Eltham, South East London. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 21 June Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on Yaesu UK by their amateur radio sales person Andre Ravary. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 21 June Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 21 June Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at the club project with Richard, G3NII. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 21 June Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk by Peter Woolhouse, G7PWV, on the RNLI and Thames Lifeboat Operations. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Thursday 21 June Vange ARS is having a talk on the T32C DXpedition to Kiritimati,�Christmas Island, by Fred Curtis, G3SVK. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 22 June Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a fox hunt trial evening. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 22 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a windmills evening at Jack and Jill Windmill. Cyprus Hall is closed. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Sunday 24 June Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2AVF at Abridge Village Fete. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 24 June South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2BM at Bay Museum for Museums on the Air. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Sunday 24 June Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is holding a fundraising night. Contact Rich, G4IBW, on�0772 225 002.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical demo of the club's new radio equipment on Monday. On Sunday 24 June, club members are Abbotsham Fete Transmitting Station. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251

for more information.

Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its 80m net on Monday at 19.45, the 2m net on Tuesday at 19.45 and a 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and holding a committee meeting on Wednesday. On Sunday 24 June they have a club table at the West Rally, Cheese and Grain, Frome. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club holds its summer BBQ on Thursday. Saturday 23 June is the start of the club's International Museums on the Air weekend, and on Sunday 24 June they're at the West of England Radio Rally. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 18 June Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding its 2m DF contest. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 20 June Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 21 June Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 21 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Sunday 17 June Carmarthan Amateur Radio Society is holding an open night. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Monday 18 June Dragon Amateur Radio Club is watching a video on QRP. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 19 June Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 20m and 40m. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
11 - 17 June 2012

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels. Low levels were
observed on 11 - 12 June due to numerous weak C-class flares from
Regions 1499 (N16, L=184, class/area Cao/060 on 09 June), 1504 (S17,
L=087, class/area Ekc/750 on 16 June), 1506 (N11, L=076, class/area
Hax/100 on 12 June) and 1507 (S26, L=111, class/area Dso/130 on 16
June). Activity increased to moderate levels on 13 and 14 June due
to M-class flaring from Region 1504. At 13/1317 UTC, a long duration
M1/1n was observed with associated Type IV and 10 cm (260 sfu) radio
signatures. On 14 June, another long duration M1/1n was observed at
14/1435 UTC with associated Type IV and 10 cm (1400 sfu) radio
signatures. CME signatures were detected with both of the events.
Solar activity decayed to low levels on 15 - 17 June with numerous
C3 or smaller x-ray events observed from Region 1504.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit was
observed during the period. The event began at 16/1955 UTC, reached
a maximum of 14 pfu at 16/2020 UTC and ended at 16/2255 UTC. This
weak event was most likely associated with the 14 June M1 x-ray
flare.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels on 11 June and moderate levels on 12 - 17 June.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels.
Quiet to unsettled levels were prevalent from 11 June through late
on 16 June with a brief period of minor storm conditions late on 11
June to early on 12 June due to a sustained period of southward
interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) Bz. At 16/2022 UTC, field
conditions increased to active levels and further increased to minor
to major storm conditions through 17/1500 UTC and decayed to active
levels through the remainder of the period. This increase in
activity was a result of combined effects from the 13 and 14 June
CMEs. On 16 June, three separate sudden impulses were observed at
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the Boulder magnetometer; 16/0957 UTC (28 nT), 16/2019 UTC (28 nT) and 16/2115 UTC (25 nT). ACE data indicated three shock arrivals at 16/0900 UTC, 16/1931 UTC and 16/2031 UTC. Solar wind speed increased from about 350 km/s to 425 km/s with the first shock, and further increased to around 560 km/s with the second and third shocks. With each successive shock, total IMF field strength reached 10 nT, 17 nT and 34 nT respectively. A magnetopause crossing was also observed by the GOES-15 satellite from around 16/2200 UTC - 16/2300 UTC.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
18 June - 14 July 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels through 21 June when Region 1504 will rotate around the west limb. Mostly low levels are expected through 25 June. Low to moderate levels are possible from 26 June - 14 July due to the return of old Regions 1494 (S16, L=198) and 1496 (N17, L=204) on 26 June and the return of old Region 1504 (S17, L=087) on 04 July.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 18 - 25 June, normal to moderate levels on 26 June - 03 July and return to high levels on 04 - 14 July.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels with isolated minor storm periods on 18 June due to continued effects from the 13 and 14 June CMEs. Quiet to unsettled levels with isolated active periods are possible on 19 - 20 June due to effects from a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 21 - 26 June. A return to quiet to unsettled levels with isolated active periods are possible on 27 - 30 June with isolated minor storm periods on 01 - 05 July due to a pair of recurrent CH HSS. Mostly quiet conditions are expected on 10 - 14 July.

1023. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 18 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 16:20:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852bbeb08404c2c18cbb@google.com>
Source record: 2840
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Field Day: Get Up and GOTA - HamRadioNow Episode 13

Posted: 16 Jun 2012 04:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350383-Field-Day-Get-Up-and-GOTA-HamRadioNow-Episode-13&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 13: Field Day - Get Up and GOTA

Now this is a talk show... 90 minutes of Jeff & Gary on the studio couch,

talking about lots of stuff, but mostly how they operated a unique GOTA station at

last year's Field Day, and playing lots of video of cute kids operating GOTA.

And, oh yeah, we're now an 'Award Winning' show (details at the end of the podcast)

support HAMRADIONOW.tv

visit www.HamRadioNow.tv

and 'click the pig'

1024. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 17th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 18:15:09 UTC
From: Brian Howie <brian@nospam.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <LyaqNmAtA33PFwM2@b-howie.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2841
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <20120618130947.DD9D333C91@panix2.panix.com>,
Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk writes
>Ofcom has announced its decision to make the Wireless Telegraphy
>(Control of Interference from Apparatus) (the London Olympic Games and
>Paralympic Games) Regulations 2012

Why not suggest to make it permanent and cover the whole UK Mr RSGB?

Brian GM4DIJ
--
Brian Howie

1025. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 17th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 18:35:43 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <1yKDr.210580$jl.46699@fx19.am4>
Source record: 2842
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 18/06/2012 19:15, Brian Howie wrote:

>> Ofcom has announced its decision to make the Wireless Telegraphy
>> (Control of Interference from Apparatus) (the London Olympic Games and
>> Paralympic Games) Regulations 2012
>
> Why not suggest to make it permanent and cover the whole UK Mr RSGB?

They're too busy fighting to protect our primary 2m band..

1026. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 18:48:55 UTC
From: Mike Cook <mcham@NOTyahoo.com>
Message-ID: <0001HW.CC04C627019650A5B01029BF@news.eternal-september.org>
Source record: 2843
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

FYI, PRC officials flat turned down a request to import these 4 radios for short-term use. No explanation given.

Thanks.

1027. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 18:53:55 UTC
From: Bert Hyman <bert@iphouse.com>
Message-ID: <XnsA076C03FB958FVeebleFetzer@216.250.188.140>
Source record: 2844
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

In news:0001HW.CC04C627019650A5B01029BF@news.eternal-september.org Mike Cook <mcham@NOTyahoo.com> wrote:

> FYI, PRC officials flat turned down a request to import these 4 radios
> for short-term use. No explanation given.

Officials of totalitarian police states don't have to give explanations.

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Bert Hyman W0RSB St. Paul, MN bert@iphouse.com

1028. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 17th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 20:11:52 UTC
From: David Woolley <david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid>
Message-ID: <jro22a$8bt$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2845
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk wrote:

>
> Ofcom has announced its decision to make the Wireless Telegraphy
> (Control of Interference from Apparatus) (the London Olympic Games and

They were actually made on the 11th of June, and put to parliament on
the 15th, so they were more than an intention at the publication date of
the news bulletin.

> Paralympic Games) Regulations 2012. These Regulations will regulate the
> intensity of the electromagnetic energy at which electrical and
> electronic apparatus operates, such that it does not cause undue
> interference with wireless telegraphy apparatus used for public safety

What they actually do is give Ofcom the power to tell individual
operators of equipment to reduce their emissions or face criminal
prosecution. My impression is that the key point is that equipment that
meets the CE requirements may still actually cause interference, and
have to be controlled.

> purposes, within a specified protection area, for the duration of the
> 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. They will come into force in July

July 23rd.

> 2012, prior to the commencement of the Games. Copies of the Regulations
> will be available via www.legislation.gov.uk.

Specifically: http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/1519/made for the
regulations, and
http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/1519/pdfs/uksiem_20121519_en.pdf
for the regulatory impact asssessment.
>

1029. eHam.net News for Monday 18 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 22:04:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c93bef4eb04c2c65a67@google.com>
Source record: 2846
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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'Ham' Radio Will Show Off Emergency Capabilities, June 23-24:

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 05:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28496

TIFTON -- Despite the Internet, cell phones, email and modern communications, every year whole regions find themselves in the dark. Tornadoes, fires, storms, ice and even the occasional cutting of fiberoptic cables leave people without the means to communicate. In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been amateur radio. These radio operators, often called "hams" provide backup communications for everything from the American Red Cross to FEMA and even for the International Space Station. Tifton's "hams" will join with thousands of other amateur radio operators showing their emergency capabilities June 23-24. Over the past year, the news has been full of reports of ham radio operators providing critical communications during unexpected emergencies in towns across America including the California wildfires, winter storms, tornadoes and other events world-wide. When trouble is brewing, amateur radio's people are often the first to provide rescuers with critical information and communications. On the weekend of June 23-24, the public will have a chance to meet and talk with Coastal Plains Amateur Radio Club members, the local ham radio operators, and see for themselves what the Amateur Radio Service is about as hams across the USA will be holding public demonstrations of emergency communications abilities.

1030. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-18 22:27:54 UTC
From: Steve Terry <gfourwwk@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <jroa1armg1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2847
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

Mike Cook wrote:
> Going to trek in Tibet. Would like to take 2-way radios (Motorola
> Spirit UHF).
>
> Is there a published list of available & unavailable frequencies in
> PRC?
> Thanks.
>
AFAIK their version of 446PMR is 409MHz SRPR, 20 public channels
within 409.750-409.9875 (12.5kHz, 500mW)

Same as in HK
http://tel_archives.ofca.gov.hk/en/ad-comm/tsac/ns-paper/nsp2002p3.pdf

Steve Terry
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Get a free GiffGaff PAYG Sim and £5 bonus after activation at:
http://giffgaff.com/orders/affiliate/gfourwwk

1031. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-034E - British Columbia-Yukon Section Manager ElectionResults

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 03:50:49 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FDFF54B.8040802@rac.ca>
Source record: 2848
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-034E - British Columbia-Yukon Section Manager
Election Results
2012-06-18

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Congratulations are extended to Paul Giffin, VA7MPG who was recently
elected Section Manager for the balance of his appointed term that
ends October 30, 2013. He ran unopposed eliminating the need for a
balloted election.

Paul, I join with all British Columbia/YT members in wishing you
congratulations.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1032. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 19 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 06:20:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ffa51f0004c2cd4671@google.com>
Source record: 2849
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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South Dakota Swapfest just south of Sioux Falls. July 28th

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 07:33 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350620-South-Dakota-Swapfest-just-south-of-Sioux-Falls-July-28th&goto=newpost

Tailgate Swapfest sponsored by the Sioux Empire Amateur Radio Club
www.w0zwy.org

Marlin's Truck Stop I-29 at Tea, SD right next to the interstate

July 28th 9am to 12pm

Raffle Tickets for hand-helds and other goodies:

1 for $1 : 6 for $5 : 15 for $10 : 35 for $20

No fee to sell or attend. Just back up your car, open the trunk and have a
great time buying and selling.

1033. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 07:23:58 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <W03dJbEOkC4PFwmH@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2850
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

In message <jroa1armg1@dont-email.me>, Steve Terry
<gfourwwk@tesco.net> writes
>Mike Cook wrote:
>> Going to trek in Tibet. Would like to take 2-way radios (Motorola
>> Spirit UHF).
>>
>> Is there a published list of available & unavailable frequencies in
>> PRC?
>> Thanks.
>>
>AFAIK their version of 446PMR is 409MHz SRPR, 20 public channels
>within 409.750-409.9875 (12.5kHz, 500mW)
>
>Same as in HK
>http://tel_archives.ofca.gov.hk/en/ad-comm/tsac/ns-paper/nsp2002p3.pdf
>
Probably the easiest way of getting radios for use in Tibet is to source
them locally, and get them shipped to a convenient collection point.
China and Hong Kong are certainly not short of manufacturers!
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Ian

1034. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 08:13:04 UTC
From: David Woolley <david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid>
Message-ID: <jrpcaq$i0$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2701
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

Ian Jackson wrote:

>>
> Probably the easiest way of getting radios for use in Tibet is to source
> them locally, and get them shipped to a convenient collection point.
> China and Hong Kong are certainly not short of manufacturers!

Even for an American in the UK, that would be the best approach, as
radios not specifically approved for PMR 446 are not covered by the
class licence.

For China, it will be part a question of protecting their own industry
and partly a national security issue. Given its history, national
security is likely to be a particularly important issue in Tibet.

1035. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 08:47:51 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <ZmJ+t8J3yD4PFw3j@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2702
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

In message <jrpcaq$i0$1@dont-email.me>, David Woolley
<david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid> writes
>Ian Jackson wrote:
>
>>>
>> Probably the easiest way of getting radios for use in Tibet is to
>>source them locally, and get them shipped to a convenient collection
>>point. China and Hong Kong are certainly not short of manufacturers!
>
>Even for an American in the UK, that would be the best approach, as
>radios not specifically approved for PMR 446 are not covered by the
>class licence.
>
I note that the OP's intended radio (Motorola Spirit UHF) is 1 channel.
2W. The Chinese public service radios are only 0.5W (and with a tiddly
antenna), so even if these are readily available, they might not be
quite suitable.

>For China, it will be part a question of protecting their own industry
>and partly a national security issue.

Importing two-way radios into China would probably not be threatening
their own industry. They probably originated there in the first place!

> Given its history, national security is likely to be a particularly
>important issue in Tibet.

It says in
http://tel_archives.ofca.gov.hk/en/ad-comm/tsac/ns-paper/nsp2002p3.pdf

"In December 2001, the Ministry of Information Industry of China
announced that short-range portable radio transceivers, or
"walkie-talkies",
operating in the band 409.7500 – 409.9875 MHz with transmitter power not
exceeding 0.5W were exempted from licensing."

Presumably these are legal to use throughout all of China - but you
never know. In certain countries, being legal does not guarantee you
won't have problems. Only a couple of weeks ago, a German radio amateur,
operating absolutely 100% legally when on holiday in Greece, was
arrested and hauled before the courts. I believe he is back home, but
may need to return for a full trial.
<http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/german_radio_ham_arrested_in_g
reece.htm>
and links.

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Ian

1036. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 19 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 11:07:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934043ffee52204c2d147cb@google.com>
Source record: 2703
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Etherkit debuts with open source QRSS transmitter kit

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KgI5xcoq2HA/etherkit_debuts_with_open_source_qrss_transmitter_kit.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Etherkit, a new amateur radio kit company devoted to open source hardware, has released its first product for sale

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Super Antenna restarts antenna business

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DgYM91u4ngY/super_antenna_restarts_antenna_business.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

SuperAntenna Corporation, maker of the legendary MP1™ Portable Antenna and YP3™ Portable Yagi, announced today the full restarting of the Super Antenna business begun in 2000 by Vern Wright, W6MMA

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Test cruise of OH10X/MM on Baltic Sea

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n6uD8MJnuwY/test_cruise_of_oh10x_mm_on_baltic_sea.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Kristina Cruises Ltd with Radio Arcala, OH8X, are in the process of testing whether a permanent amateur radio station will suit the maritime environment and serve DXers in their leisure time, whether cruising in the Mediterranean or off West Africa or just doing island-hopping in the Caribbean

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New Draft 23cm Bandplan

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HrSBhXa10lM/new_draft_23cm_bandplan.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chair of the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee, Rick Roderick K5UR, is asking for input on the proposed amateur radio 1240 MHz (23 cm) bandplan

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K8CX's 2012 Hamvention Photo Gallery

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AN0fFEZJm_Q/k8cx_2012_hamvention_photo_gallery.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tom, K8CX's 2012 Dayton Photo Gallery is now up. This is Tom's 16th consecutive year for the gallery, and it contains 306 photos taken at Crowne Plaza at various events and hospitality suites

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Amateur Radio Project Horus on Kids TV show 'Scope'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4nafl_z3cYw/amateur_radio_project_horus_on_kids_tv_show_scope.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Terry Baume VK5VZI and the amateur radio Project Horus Balloon 22 was filmed and featured on the Channel 10 Kids Science Program, Scope TV

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New Section Manager appointed in South Dakota

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sxNbFi0nDJ4/new_section_manager_appointed_in_south_dakota.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chris Stallkamp, W0ADZ, of Selby, South Dakota, has been appointed as the South Dakota Section Manager, effective June 15

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British Columbia-Yukon Section Manager Election Results

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HFjgq1QqOn0/yukon_sm_results.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Congratulations are extended to Paul Giffin, VA7MPG who was recently elected Section Manager for the balance of his appointed term that ends October 30, 2013

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STS-47 and Ashford School Space Experiments

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vJWnbknsq8o/sts47_and_ashford_school_space_experiments.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Vintage video of the space shuttle Endeavour STS-47 mission is now available on YouTube. STS-47 was the 50th Space Shuttle mission of the program

1037. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 18 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 12:43:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852b903e7a04c2ca034a@google.com>
Source record: 2704
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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/R E P E A T - Ham Radio All Talk in Times of Crisis/ - Sacramento Bee

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 09:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFV-_-aj0PRljp4cpwNqXTK6i3EIw&url=http://www.sacbee.com/2012/06/18/4570521/r-e-p-e-a-t-ham-radio-all-talk.html

shropshirestar.com
/R E P E A T - Ham Radio All Talk in Times of Crisis/
Sacramento Bee
Often called "ham radio", Amateur Radio is a non-commercial radio service, which allows licensed operators to use various types of radio communications ...
Ham radio operators gather in Berrien SpringsNiles Daily Star
Ham radio operators showcase emergency communications skill ...Florida Times-Union
Plano Amateur Radio Klub Field Day June 23 and 24Carrollton Leader
Rapid City Journal -GalionLive -TCPalm
all 20 news articles

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Amateur radio operators to practice emergency communication skills - Sierra Sun

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 07:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEnjAdt4rXWcRblPHwkiWAhGSBeiw&url=http://www.sierrasun.com/article/20120618/COMMUNITY/120619921/1066%26ParentProfile%3D1051

Amateur radio operators to practice emergency communication skills
Sierra Sun
On Saturday and Sunday, June 23 and 24, amateur radio operators from Auburn, ... and train ham radio operators in emergency communication skills consistent ...

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Ham radio Field Day is June 23-24 - News-Sun

Posted: 17 Jun 2012 05:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHBunGnPugcTYP0aZPhLTxM16cxtA&url=http://www.newssun.com/news/061712-ham-radio2

Ham radio Field Day is June 23-24
News-Sun
Every year, "ham" radio operators provide communication services in

hundreds ... The Highlands County Amateur Radio Club will be operating five "ham" radio ...
Sometimes it Takes an Amateur to Communicate in a DisasterPatch.com
Amateur Radio Field Day Event Is June 23-24 In Rock SpringThe Chattanoogan
Ham radio show June 23-24DL-Online
Brainerd Daily Dispatch -Park Rapids Enterprise -Sulphur Southwest Daily News
all 23 news articles

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Sending strong signals - Pierce County Herald

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 08:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEz1kxXAPn68bXPGMUoyv9rsmRebA&url=http://www.piercecountyherald.com/event/article/id/46132/group/News/

Sending strong signals
Pierce County Herald
Where are you located," Esler, a member of the Cottage Grove-based South East Metro Amateur Radio Club (SEMARC), asks the other ham radio operator.

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Radio operators ham it up in Meadowvale park - Mississauga

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 07:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF8zVa5k3PdHvD23z46GquJej4AaQ&url=http://www.mississauga.com/community/article/1376539--radio-operators-ham-it-up-in-meadowvale-park

Radio operators ham it up in Meadowvale park
Mississauga
The annual event is the climax of Amateur Radio Week. It will feature ham radio operators using only emergency power supplies to communicate with each other ...

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Ham handy in an emergency - Marshfield Mail

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 04:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGjo98qnehb3cd84ADAMRE6lgtKcw&url=http://marshfieldmail.com/news/ham-handy-in-an-emergency/article_e60ec65e-b732-11e1-b12c-001a4bcf887a.html

Ham handy in an emergency
Marshfield Mail
... a hazardous material spill. With emergency crews out of town and cell phones down, the situation would seem hopeless — but not for a ham radio operator.

and more

1038. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 19 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 16:36:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c93517cf604c2d5e059@google.com>
Source record: 2705
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Meets National Blogger and Fox News Contributor

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 08:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350664-Amateur-Radio-Meets-National-Blogger-and-Fox-News-Contributor&goto=newpost

Michelle Malkin, a nationally know Blogger and Contributor and frequent guest to Fox News was introduced to Amateur Radio Military Appreciation Day / ARMAD www.armad.net in Las Vegas, Nevada during a national Bloggers convention held at The Venitin Hotel on June 16, 2012.

ARMAD is an event held annually on Memorial Day weekend.MALKINARMAD.jpg

Emery McClendon / KB9IBW presented her with an ARMAD T- Shirt.

Attached Images

MALKINARMAD.jpg
(119.8 KB)

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Ham Radio Deluxe and Radio Operations Center Software

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350385-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-and-Radio-Operations-Center-Software&goto=newpost

Tampa FL, St. Paul MN☐ June 16, 2012

HRD Software, LLC and W4PC software today announced a bundle package for Ham Radio Deluxe and Radio Operations Center Software for Timewave/AEA and Kantronics TNCs.

Many hams want to use the ARQ modes in Pactor, AMTOR and GTOR that are supported in hardware TNCs but not in soundcard software modes. Now W4PC Software☐s Radio Operations Center 3.99 for the TNCs synchronizes with the HRD DM-780 soundcard mode program so either ROC or DM-780 can key the radio through the TNC. If the TNC has a built-in soundcard (PK-232SC) or soundcard interface (PK-232PSK, PK-900PSK and DSP-232+), no radio-TNC-computer interconnection changes are necessary to switch between soundcard modes and the TNC modes.

☐The old meets the new☐, said Rick Ruhl, W4PC, owner of W4PC software and an owner of HRD, ☐ W4PC Software, HRD and Timewave programmers and

engineers have combined to make TNCs and soundcard mode software compatible for the first time.

Randy Gawtry, owner of Timewave Technology and also an owner of HRD said, ☐Timewave has added a USB soundcard and rig control board to the legendary PK-232 to give the new PK-232SC a single USB cable connection to the computer from the TNC. Even with rig control, precision-timed hardware CW and FSK, there are only four connections from the TNC to the radio. Using only AFSK modes requires just two connections☐

The bundle price for ROC and HRD is $99.95.

HRD 5.2X is free, but will include a no charge upgrade to version 6.0 with the purchase of 5.X support for $59.95. The retail version of HRD will be $79.95 when it is released in August 2012. Those that have purchased or will purchase the 5.X support will still get one year of support from the date of the 6.0 release.

You can purchase and download the Ham Radio Deluxe/ROC bundle at http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

Radio Operations Center information: http://www.w4pcsoftware.com

PK-232SC information: http://www.timewave.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/HRDsoftware

1039. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 17th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 17:56:46 UTC
From: user@private-mail-domain.invalid
Message-ID: <u3r6b9-nb4.ln1@chris.org>
Source record: 2706
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk wrote:

: In the July RadCom it was announced that Ofcom had approached the RSGB
: to discuss temporary usage of a few channels on 2m to support the London
: 2012 Summer Olympic Games. Following negotiations with the RSGB to
: minimise the impact on amateurs, Ofcom has now announced that it will
: temporarily authorise a small block of 12.5kHz channels on that band.
: The frequencies are from 144.0125MHz to 144.1375MHz, but only for the
: period 27 July to 28 August 2012. The frequencies specifically exclude
: the CW calling frequency, 144.050MHz, and the Meteor Scatter calling
: frequency, 144.100MHz. Ofcom are also aware of the various contests on 4
: and 7 August and will work with Game users to keep operations to a
: minimum on these dates. Usage of this spectrum by Games users will be in
: the vicinity of London Olympic venues, and will be limited to handhelds
: with a maximum output of 5 watts. Ofcom emphasises that use of Primary
: Amateur spectrum is only for the specified time period and does not
: constitute a change of usage. The full Ofcom statement can be found at
: www.rsgb.org/Olympics.

So, I've seen no comments on the topic of just what this means in reality.
So, Duffcom have approved the usage of these 2m "channels" for Olympic
communications purposes, however, presumably on a secondary basis or,
at best, co-primary. Nowhere have they or anyone else indicated that
the current primary users - i.e. Us - are prohibited from using the
frequencies (or are they channels?) for our own legitimate purposes at
the same time.

Given that they are smack band in the primary EME portion of the band,
I would imaging that their special awareness to contest needs are
moot.

Or have I become too assimilated into the US culture (if there is such
a thing!) where the ARRL would actually instigate legal proceedings
against the FCC should they try such a stunt?
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73 Chris Cox N0UK, G4JEC, ex-AB0CN, ex-G8PTC RNARS #1157 EN34jv33

WWW Home Page: http://WWW.Chris.Org/ http://www.pingjockey.net
Cultural observation:
Europeans think 100 miles is a long way;
Americans think 100 years is a long time!

1040. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 17th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 18:03:06 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <u93Er.150699$of1.59844@fx06.am4>
Source record: 2707
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 19/06/2012 18:56, user@private-mail-domain.invalid wrote:

> Or have I become too assimilated into the US culture (if there is such
> a thing!) where the ARRL would actually instigate legal proceedings
> against the FCC should they try such a stunt?

Do you really expect the RSGB to bite the hand that feeds it?

1041. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 20:30:24 UTC
From: David Woolley <david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid>
Message-ID: <jrqnh2$e8v$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2708
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Jeff wrote:
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>> Even for an American in the UK, that would be the best approach, as
>> radios not specifically approved for PMR 446 are not covered by the
>> class licence.
>
> That is not the case, type approval went out of the window some years
> ago now. The radio but just meet the relevant Interface Requirement.
> Specific approval is not required.

Unless Ofcom has failed to update their information, it also has to have things like a permanently attached antenna, absolute power limits, etc., basically to make it non-trivial to modify outside of the specification. As pointed out elsewhere, the proposed equipment doesn't comply with those conditions, so wouldn't have been legal for PMR 446 use.

I used approved loosely, to mean designed to meet the conditions of the licence exemption.

1042. eHam.net News for Tuesday 19 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-19 22:41:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ff2a6d5504c2dafb9d@google.com>
Source record: 2709
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Showcase Emergency Communications Skill This Weekend:

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 07:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28502

Ham radio operators from around Jacksonville will showcase the emergency benefits of their wireless communications gear from 2 p.m. Saturday to 2 p.m. Sunday at the Marshside Campus of Neptune Beach Baptist Church, 13723 Atlantic Blvd. The annual "Field Day" event ends the Amateur Radio Week" sponsored by the American Radio Relay League, and is open to the public. Using only emergency power supplies, ham radio operators nationwide will construct emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, schools and backyards around the country. Their slogan, "When All Else Fails, Ham Radio Works." Amateur, or ham radio, can communicate around the world when a hurricane or natural disaster leaves people without the internet, cell phones, email and other modern communications. Duval County and the Beaches area's "hams" will join with thousands of other amateur radio operators to showcase their emergency capabilities this weekend.

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Ham Radio All Talk in Times of Crisis:

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 07:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28501

TORONTO, June 14, 2012 -- /CNW/ - Despite the prevalence of the Internet, Amateur Radio has never failed as a lifeline during times of crisis. To demonstrate this capability, the Central Toronto Amateur Radio Club (aka CenTor) is conducting an Amateur Radio emergency preparedness exercise on June 23 - 24, 2012, which will be open to the public. often called "ham radio", Amateur Radio is a non-commercial radio service, which allows licensed operators to use various types of radio communications equipment to communicate with one another, both locally and around the globe, for both public service and recreational purposes. Amateur Radio operators, often referred to as "hams", are federally licensed by Industry Canada and are allowed to use specially allocated radio frequencies to carry out their operations. Hams come from all walks of life and are located all over the world. "Amateur Radio plays a very important role in the communications capabilities of our modern society", said Peter Dale, President, CenTor, and licensed Amateur Radio operator with the call sign of VE3EYI. "Not only does it facilitate communications during times of emergency or natural disaster, it is also a lot of fun and a great way to learn about

electronics and wireless communications, especially for young people", Dale added.

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Workshop Addresses Radio's Future:

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 07:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28500

For Ken Zakreski, the future is mobile. Zakreski is the president of Gabriola Radio Society, based in Gabriola Island, B.C. He spoke recently afternoon at a workshop on the future of radio technology at Queen's University. The community radio station on Gabriola Island has low levels of terrain and reach. Zakreski has been exploring new technologies that may help widen its range. A method using high-speed multimedia may help. High speed multimedia radio allows wireless data to be sent over amateur radio frequencies through the use of a router. "It's based on a very simple fluke if you will," he said, "and that's the fact that ham (amateur) radio and Wi-Fi channels overlap." According to Zakreski, this technology is already being used by disaster relief organizations.

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New Section Manager Appointed in South Dakota:

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 01:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28499

Chris Stallkamp, W0ADZ, of Selby, South Dakota, has been appointed as the South Dakota Section Manager, effective June 15. ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with Dakota Division Director Greg Widin, K0GW, and with the recommendation of outgoing South Dakota Section Manager Scott Rausch, WA0VKC.

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2012 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule:

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 01:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28498

2012 W1AW Field Day Bulletin Schedule:

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Amateur Radio Meets FOX News Contributor:

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 01:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28497

Michelle Malkin, a nationally know Blogger and Contributor and frequent guest to Fox News was introduced to Amateur Radio Military Appreciation Day / ARMAD www.armad.net in Las Vegas, Nevada during a national Bloggers convention held at The Venitin Hotel on June

16, 2012.

1043. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 19 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 02:32:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852be4ad0c04c2de3399@google.com>
Source record: 2710
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio event set for weekend - Times-Journal

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 02:41 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2_Hj_oENAdX-ta1QP6XGYYjHUwQ&url=http://times-journal.com/news/article_fb6e77da-ba55-11e1-b7f1-0019bb2963f4.html

Press-Enterprise
Amateur radio event set for weekend
Times-Journal
Amateur radio played an important communications role during and after the tornadoes of April 27, 2011. Local ham operators provided storm-spotting services ...
Tri-County Amateur Radio Club to Work Ham Radio Field DayPR.com (press release)
EOC to host Ham radio eventThe News Herald
Radio wizard will ham it up at Field DayPress Pubs
The Central Jersey Sun -Examiner.com -Northwest Herald
all 41 news articles

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CORONA: Amateur radio emergency communications drill set - Press-Enterprise

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFnUr6X2Y4swYTMVV1yiHTuiZrqOQ&url=http://www.pe.com/local-news/riverside-county/corona/corona-headlines-index/20120619-corona-amateur-radio-emergency-communications-drill-set.ece

Press-Enterprise
CORONA: Amateur radio emergency communications drill set
Press-Enterprise
... a 24-hour annual international amateur radio emergency communications drill. ... event where ham radio operators communicate from locations “in the field”, ...

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Amateur radio weekend planned - Argus Press

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 07:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGAM7LLwqnUn4IKLdckp1GF1PYb6w&url=http://argus-press.com/arts_and_entertainment/article_df974c30-ba19-11e1-bae7-001a4bcf887a.html

Amateur radio weekend planned
Argus Press

OWOSSO — Despite the Internet, cellphones, email and modern communication, every year whole regions find themselves in the dark. Tornadoes, fires, storms ...

and more

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Ham radio operators display skills for weekend event - Your Houston News

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 08:29 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFtHwQG3p2JJ0MDtwQOrZVqpLsKlQ&url=http://www.yourhoustonnews.com/courier/news/ham-radio-operators-display-skills-for-weekend-event/article_ca7d43e6-8b8f-5155-8a75-7fc354c540db.html

Ham radio operators display skills for weekend event
Your Houston News
Hundreds of licensed amateur radio operators will be demonstrating their ... While there may be some misconception about ham radio operators, they do provide ...

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Sri Lankan radio amateurs renew offer to help national disaster - Lanka Business Online

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 05:38 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG0iIlIV6fMv7k1_Hk7LICJbqc9Nw&url=http://www.lankabusinessonline.com/fullstory.php?nid%3D1289520459

Sri Lankan radio amateurs renew offer to help national disaster
Lanka Business Online
Popularly known as “ham radio” enthusiasts, amateur radio operators use a designated radio frequency spectrum to communicate non-commercial messages, ...

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Ham radio operators gather in Berrien Springs - Niles Daily Star

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 07:15 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFDkFJvpxGpGGgUC7gRtB3FLYf3SA&url=http://www.nilesstar.com/2012/06/18/ham-radio-operators-gather-in-berrien-springs/

Ham radio operators gather in Berrien Springs
Niles Daily Star
Thousands of ham radio operators will be showing off their emergency capabilities ... ... During Hurricane Katrina, amateur radio was often the only way people ...

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Plano Amateur Radio Klub Field Day June 23 and 24 - Star Community Newspapers

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 11:16 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHvDnnZvaAC0wIYVzznu2uj5oNWmA&url=http://www.scntx.com/articles/2012/06/18/news_by_readers/doc4fde415e4d073941946494.txt

Plano Amateur Radio Klub Field Day June 23 and 24
Star Community Newspapers
Ham radios are not dependent on AC power, cell towers or the internet, they work when nothing else does.” The Plano Amateur Radio Klub will be ...

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Ham radio operators showcase emergency communications skill ... - Florida Times-Union

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 11:15 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF4RwNlxme1i6aHaKe_QJo0FPDVnA&url=http://jacksonville.com/community/mandarin/2012-06-18/story/ham-radio-operators-showcase-emergency-communications-skill

Ham radio operators showcase emergency communications skill ...
Florida Times-Union
Amateur, or ham radio, can communicate around the world when a hurricane or natural disaster leaves people without the internet, cell phones, email and other ...

1044. The ARRL Contest Update for June 20, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 06:59:37 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120620042806.331B924D89@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2711
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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- Arizona Outlaws W1AW
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- ARRL DX CW by N4YDU Imminent
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- Your Papers, Please - Contest and Antenna Forums
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- While the Iron is Hot
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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Field Days are like county fairs - there is often a little of
everything ham radio and just about always something good to eat! Some
are more of a rodeo and some are more like a picnic but you'll have

fun, no matter what. Take the opportunity to invite a friend to come along and share your hobby, too!

BULLETINS

VE3 stations in this year's Field Day should ALL report "Ontario" as their section (ON or VE3 on CW and digital) The four new Ontario sections DO NOT go into effect until September 1, 2012. The first event that will use the new sections is the 2013 ARRL CW Sweepstakes.

BUSTED QSOS

Minor discrepancies aside, nothing was seriously broken in the last issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information <file:///C:/Users/Ward%20Silver/Documents/Editing%20and%20Articles/Contest%20Update/Contest%20Update%20120620.docx#Contests> for all contests follows the Conversation <file:///C:/Users/Ward%20Silver/Documents/Editing%20and%20Articles/Contest%20Update/Contest%20Update%20120620.docx#Conversation> section

June 23-24

- ARRL Field Day
- SARL Top Band QSO Party (Jun 21)
- NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint--CW (Jun 21)
- Worldwide EME Contest
- His Majesty King of Spain--Phone
- Marconi Memorial HF Contest--CW

June 30-July 1

- Canada Day Contest
- Ten-Ten Spirit of 76 QSO Party (Jul 2)
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Jul 2)
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Jul 3)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The Arizona Outlaws Contest Club <http://www.arizonaoutlaws.net/> (AOCC) will represent the ARRL as the Headquarters Station (HQ) W1AW/7 in the upcoming 2012 IARU HF Championship <http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship> on July 14-15. As the first ARRL affiliated club with only three years of history to represent W1AW, congratulations are due the AOCC and the Arizona Section. AOCC is setting up 12 primary stations signing W1AW/7, plus back-ups, across the entire state to give everybody a chance to work the ARRL HQ multiplier. (Thanks, AOCC President, Bob K8IA)

Richard K5NA (center) received a lifetime DX achievement award at the HamCom convention from ARRL West Gulf Division Director K5RAV (left) and South Texas Section SEC and good friend Tom N5TW. (Photo by K5OT)
You can "friend" the WRTC2014 community on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/wrtc2014> as they assemble and organize this international event. "We will be posting photos and other information as we work toward WRTC2014. Please join the WRTC2014 fan page on Facebook and share the journey!" (Thanks, WRTC2014 co-chair, Randy K5ZD)

The Mount Airy VHF Radio Club <http://www.packratvhf.com/> established the Rover Recognition Award in 2005 to honor the efforts of rover stations in VHF, UHF and microwave contesting in memory of Bill Seabreeze, W3IY (SK). Congratulations to this year's recipient, John D'Ausilio, W1RT! For many years John has been roving the grids on the East Coast and delivering hundreds of QSOs to other amateurs on the VHF, UHF and microwave bands. His well-equipped rover, dubbed the "Intergalactic Jitney," has substantial power and antennas for bands from 50MHz though 24GHz.

Dave W9ZRX reminds VHF+ contesters, "Please send me the Cabrillo File from your June VHF Contest operations. These are used to update the VHF Super Check Partial Database <http://www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/> counterpart to the excellent one for HF maintained by WA1Z."

VHF+ contesters should take note of the new 9 cm band plan <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-of-directors-approves-9-cm-band-plan> in which weak signal terrestrial legacy users are encouraged to move to 3400.3-3401.0 MHz, as time and resources permit.

The AMSAT Field Day 2012 <http://www.amsat.org/> is open to all Amateur Radio operators and encourages the use of all amateur satellites, both analog and digital. Additional information about satellite operation during Field Day is also available on the website. (From the AMSAT bulletin ANS-162)

John K6MM wrote a little summary <http://www.nccc.cc/jug/2012/Jug12june.pdf> of the Dayton Hamvention's contest-related activities for the JUG - the Northern California Contest Club's monthly newsletter.

If you know someone having trouble with their subscription to the Contest Update (or any ARRL bulletin or newsletter), first check to be sure their email address is correct on their Member Profile. If all looks well, this process usually restores normal delivery:

- Log in to your ARRL profile <http://www.arrl.org/> at the top of the ARRL home page
- Click "Edit your Profile"
- Select "Edit Email Subscriptions"
- Uncheck (so that there is no check mark) "ARRL Contest Update (biweekly contest newsletter)"
- Click "Save"

- Return to "Edit Email Subscriptions"
- Check (so that there is a check mark) "ARRL Contest Update (biweekly contest newsletter)"
- Click "Save"

Web Site of the Week - Here is a list <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history-archaeology/Ten-Infamous-Islands-of-Exile.html?c=y&page=1> of ten fun islands for your next DXpedition! Just be sure you can come home again - unlike some of the more famous and unwilling inhabitants. (Thanks, Norman W9VQ)

WORD TO THE WISE

Safety - Field Day encourages lash-ups in the urge to "get 'er done." Don't let safety take a back seat to expedience - not at Field Day and not when doing antenna work at home. Taking the right approach to safety starts with the person looking back at you in the bathroom mirror - it's not found in books or regulations. My project engineering friend, Dave K5GN, recently suggested three basic rules:
#1 Work safely or not at all.
#2 There's always time to do it right.
#3 Always address risk, never do nothing about it.
Whatever your project - a wire dipole in a tree or a full-size Yagi at 200 feet - make these rules the bedrock of how you and your team operate.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The Packrats <http://www.packratvhf.com/> took lots of photos for their annual June VHF Contest expedition to the top of Camelback Mountain. You can enjoy watching the labors of others in the June issue of their Cheese Bits newsletter. While there, enjoy the monthly nibbles of history in the "Wayback Machine" column.

Tom K8CX has posted his gallery of Dayton 2012 photos <http://hamgallery.com/dayton2012/> online, accompanied by a detailed and interesting "recap <http://hamgallery.com/gallery/D/hamvention2012.htm>" of the biggest convention in ham radio. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Tim also reports that Tom KB4HQA, recovering from his unfortunate auto accident, has posted the video <http://www.hqaradio.com/ctu2012> of The Spurious Emissions Band's Friday night adventures at the Crowne Plaza hotel as seen in the photo at right.

Each of us can promote ham radio using our different talents and here's a music video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OidowSpbxJo> that takes a new approach to the usual issues of hams and their collections of good stuff! (Thanks, Paul NA4ZI)

Enjoy the craftsmanship of Paul WD7S' 8877-based auto-tune all-band amplifier <http://home.earthlink.net/%7Ewd7s/gallery-5a.htm>, 100%

homebrew! (Thanks, Peter DJ7WW)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The extended writeup by Nate N4YDU for the 2012 ARRL DX CW
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> contest should be online
this week - look for special sidebars by K9LA on unusual 10 meter
propagation and by VE7FO on the creation of a brand new operating team.

Today is the log submission deadline for the 2012 CQ WPX CW contest
2012. There have been over 3500 logs received, but many logs are still
missing. You can submit your Cabrilo-formatted log online
<http://www.cqwpx.com/logcheck/> or by email <cw@cqwpx.com> and there
is an ADIF file converter <http://www.cqwpx.com/adif/>, as well. Check
the received log list <http://www.cqwpx.com/logs_received_cw.htm> to be
sure your log was received. (Thanks, CQ WPX Director, Randy K5ZD)

Results of the 2012 French HF CW championship
<http://concours.ref-union.org/contest/> are online. 832 logs were
received and the SSB results are coming soon! (Thanks, Pascal F5LEN)

UBA HF Contest Manager, Marc ON7SS/OO9O reports that the results of
the UBA SSB Contest 2012 are on-line
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-results> now as well as the contest
certificates
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-results/contest-certificates>. Marc
will send UBN (Unique-Busted-Not in Log) reports - contact him via the
website and request the report for the call sign you used.

The results of the 2012 7th Area QSO Party
<file:///C:/Users/Ward%20Silver/Documents/Editing%20and%20Articles/Contest%20Update/7qp.or
g>,
the 7QP, are now available - mighty fast work! Plaques and certificates
will go out within three weeks. (Thanks, Dick K4XU/N7XU and the 7QP
admin team - K2DI & WS7N.)

Results for the 2012 Ontario QSO Party
<http://www.va3cco.com/oqp/results/index.htm> are now posted, too.
Certificates for all the winners are downloadable and plaque winners
will be presented with their awards at the annual CCO meeting in August
or sent by mail to those not attending. (Thanks, Bob VE3KZ)

Jay NS4J has posted the 2011 US Islands QSO Party results
<http://www.usislands.org/results2011.html> and certificates are being
printed. (Thanks, John WA4JA)

OPERATING TIP

No surprises! When you transmit your contest exchange, give the
information in the order it is expected - the order in which the rules
show it. While there may not be a required order, surprising the other
station with out-of-order information makes for a slow rate and quick
errors.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Five excellent papers (by K4IQJ, K3TUF, K1KP, W2GD, K4ZA and K9LA) presented at the 2012 Dayton Antenna Forum are now available on the K3LR web site <http://www.k3lr.com/> by clicking "Dayton Antenna Summary 2012". The equally good talks by W3LPL and W2GD at the 23rd Annual Dayton Top Band Dinner <http://topbanddinner.com/> are also available under "Presentations" to download their slides. Thanks, (Tim K3LR)

Jim W5IFP recommends the Isobar <http://www.tripplite.com/en/products/model.cfm?txtModelID=3950> solid RFI-filtered and MOV surge protector from Tripp-Lite. It has individual toroid filters on each line inside the metal box with additional filters are between the Stage 1 and Stage 2 outlets. Both the hot and common lines are individually filtered.

Here's an interesting story <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2012/06/120601231558.htm> on the aurora and magnetic reconnection - always of interest to HF operators! (Thanks, Bill AI5I/G4NDH)

The article "An Inexpensive System for Power Line Noise Hunting" by George N4UA appears in the June issue of the Potomac Valley Radio Club newsletter <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/jun12.pdf>. He uses an airband (130 MHz) receiver and tape-measure three-element Yagi for a inexpensive solution. George reports that folding up the elements acts as an attenuator for when close to the source.

Another example of re-purposing something sold in higher volume at lower prices in a non-ham application was reported by Craig NM4T to hold up a portable antenna mast. "I use a speaker tripod that I bought on sale at the Guitar Center. These are great since they are designed to support heavy speaker units. And, most painter poles slide right into the top of the tripod assembly which also cranks up a few feet. If you buy the matching ballistic material carry bag--You also have a fine case that can be thrown into the car. The bag is big enough for 2 tripods, a 48" telescoping painter pole, some antenna components and accessories."

Cecil W5DXP has a nifty center-fed all-band dipole design <http://www.w5dxp.com/notuner.htm> that uses different lengths of transmission line to adjust the impedance at the transmitter end. This design works as a home or portable antenna. (Thanks, Dave W7AQK)

222 MHz has a lot to offer VHF+ contesters according to Jim KK6MC, "Noise is lower than on two meters, high gain antennas are easy to build and manage, and path losses are less than on 432. Activity is not as high as 6/2/70 cm but I have found it to be a very useful addition to my contesting station. For one thing, the QSO points are worth more and multiply the grids on the other bands. It is a great QRP band, you will probably get further from there with 222 MHz than either 144 MHz or 432 MHz." Jim has used and likes the Elecraft XV222

<http://www.elecraft.com/XV/XV.htm> and Down East Microwave, Inc. (DEMI) <http://www.downeastmicrowave.com/> transverters as good performers. For homebrewers, W1GHZ designed a 222 MHz transverter companion to the FT-817 <http://www.w1ghz.org/222xvtr/222.htm> and a low-power transverter for microwave IF called the miniverter-F <http://www.w1ghz.org/small_proj/small_proj.htm>. (DEMI provides some hard-to-find parts and a kit for the miniverter). Another option is the SignalBlox <http://www.signalblox.com/Original222_144xvtr.html> 100 mW, 222 transverter kit.

How should you apply Prelube spray lube to your crank-up tower cables? George K6GT uses "a big plastic funnel and cut a lengthwise slot (about 1/4" wide) in it, so that I could slip it over the cable. Then I hold the bottom of the funnel against the cable, I've got a low leakage (OK, pretty drippy) funnel whose spout is almost occluded by the cable. When I spray the lubricant, the overspray gets caught by the funnel and runs down onto the cable. It saves a lot of the lube, but not all."

Greg W8WWV has designed a homebrew rotator cage <http://www.seed-solutions.com/gregordy/Amateur%20Radio/Experimentation/RotatorCage.htm> for a sturdier mount on the top of MA-series tubular crank-up towers. This can also be adapted to mount rotators on poles and masts. (Thanks, Mike W4EF)

Technical Web Site of the Week - VE7BQH has just updated his 2 meter and 6 meter antenna comparison tables <http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/6mTable.htm> that include additional information on each antenna. The changes are explained by him along with links to both text and spreadsheet versions of the tables. (from AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> bulletin ANS-169)

==> CONVERSATION

While the Iron is Hot

Here in the Midwest we are looking right into the oven for Field Day with Missouri temperatures in the 90's predicted for Saturday. Checking around the country, most locations will also see the mercury rise into the 80's and 90's...damp Seattle is expecting fog and mid-sixties but if the coffee pot is on and loaded with espresso-ground French Roast, they'll make it through the night. The rest of you out there, grab your sunscreen and a portable fan, put on your best hamster-y tee-shirt and hat, fill the cooler with ice - are you ready for some Field Day?

Not only will the weather be hot but so will the opportunity for lighting a fire in new and potential hams kindled by the attractions of our favorite avocation. Here's a hint - the digital modes are the easiest for a non-radio person to understand and learn, particularly those from the connected generations. Take advantage of their natural keyboard skills and show them how to work RTTY or PSK31. Point out how similar to texting it is. Once they get the hang of digital, voice and other modes come a whole lot easier because they'll understand the flow

of things on the air.

No matter what door these folks come through - public service, weather watching, technical interests, radio-controlled craft, balloons, astronomy - they come to Field Day ready to learn and participate. So let them! Make sure they get an opportunity to play a part in everything from hauling on a rope to setting up the stations to operating and logging. It is your job to reach out and welcome them into the tribe. Don't expect them to push their way in - would you feel comfortable doing that as a newcomer? If they spend the weekend on the periphery of the fun it's probably the last time you'll see them.

Let's assume the best - they came, they saw, they liked it! They want more! "When can we do this again?" is a common question. The right answer is NOT, "Well, um, sometimes we do Sweepstakes in November..." To a teenager, you might as well tell them the next contest is in the 22nd century! Show them how to get to the 3830 score report web page <http://lists.contesting.com/_3830/> where claimed scores are posted right away - no matter that the final results aren't printed until December's QST. They can look at the Web on the smartphone in their pocket, you know. While they have that phone or tablet out, bring up DX Sherlock propagation maps <http://www.vhfdx.info/spots/map.php> and DX Summit <http://www.dxsummit.fi/>. Heck, why not bring a laptop and LCD monitor to run the live spotting and propagation maps in real-time all weekend? You'll have a crowd hanging around watching the show!

Have a plan already in place for someone to host a multi-op for new operators in the upcoming IARU HF Championship (July 14th and 15th). There are the North American QSO Parties <http://www.ncjweb.com/> with RTTY the following weekend and the CW and SSB versions in August. Rookie Roundup's <http://arrl.org/rookie-roundup> RTTY version is on August 19th and that's a perfect opportunity for your fledglings to take their first solo flight! Contest Corral <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is just packed with short and low-key contests that new operators need and enjoy.

Field Day is not just an operating event, it is our biggest recruitment and PR event of the year. Use that opportunity to celebrate what we do and show others why we enjoy it so much. Help them get interested and start participating. Like the thermometer, barbeque, and coffee pot, our ham radio iron is red-hot on Field Day...don't let it cool!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

June 20 to July 3

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 23, 1800Z to Jun 24, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Category, ARRL/RAC section or DX. Logs due: Jul 24. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SARL Top Band QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jun 21, 0000Z to Jun 25, 0000Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RS(T) and province or country. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/>

NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint--CW, from Jun 21, 0030Z to Jun 21, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

His Majesty King of Spain--Phone, from Jun 23, 1200Z to Jun 24, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS, serial or EA province. Logs due: Jul 15. Rules <http://www.ure.es/>

Marconi Memorial HF Contest--CW, from Jun 23, 1400Z to Jun 24, 1400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial number. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arifano.it/contest_marconi.htm>

Canada Day Contest--Phone,CW, from Jul 1, 0000Z to Jul 1, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-144. Exchange: RS(T), Province/Territory or serial. Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://www.rac.ca/service/contesting>

Ten-Ten Spirit of 76 QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jul 2, 0000Z to Jul 8, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, member number, S/P/C. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Jul 2, 1600Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, First through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Jul 3, 0200Z to Jul 3, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL Field Day--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jun 23, 1800Z to Jun 24, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Category, ARRL/RAC section or DX. Logs due: Jul 24. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Worldwide EME Contest--Phone,CW, from Jun 23, 0000Z to Jun 24, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 5.7G. Exchange: TMO/RS(T) and "R". Logs due: Jun 25. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

Canada Day Contest--Phone,CW, from Jul 1, 0000Z to Jul 1, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-144. Exchange: RS(T), Province/Territory or serial. Logs due: Jul 31. Rules <http://www.rac.ca/service/contesting>

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see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days.
Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

==> LOG DUE DATES

June 20 to July 3

- June 20 - CQ WW WPX Contest, CW <http://www.cqwpx.com/rules.htm>
- June 20 - UA2 QSO Party <http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/382.html>
- June 20 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>
- June 22 - UN DX Contest
<http://kw.cqun.kz/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=105%3Aundxc2012&catid=37&Itemid=81>
- June 23 - Feld Hell Sprint
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/oldfiles/contests/sprint-rules>
- June 23 - SARL Youth Day Sprint
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- June 24 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest <http://fpqrp.org/pigrun/>
- June 26 - The Day of YLs <http://thedayofyls.monsite-orange.fr/>
- June 28 - MI QRP Memorial Day CW Sprint
<http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>
- June 30 - EUCW Fraternizing CW QSO Party
<http://www.agcw.org/eucw/eucwp.html>
- June 30 - VOLTA WW RTTY Contest
<http://www.contestvolta.com/46th_VOLTA_en.pdf>
- June 30 - IARU Region 1 Field Day, CW
- July 1 - Baltic Contest
<http://www.lrsf.lt/bcontest/english/rules_html.htm>
- July 1 - UKSMG Summer Contest <http://uksmg.org/contest/rules.php>
- July 1 - VK Shires Contest
<http://vkshires.vk2bo.com/vk-shires-contest-rules.html>
- July 2 - AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
<http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests_and_CW-activities:VHF-UHF_Contest>
- July 2 - Alabama QSO Party
<http://www.alabamaqsoparty.org/2012/2012Rules.pdf>
- July 2 - Maritime QSO Party
<http://www.maritimecontestclub.com/images/2012_MQP_Rules.pdf>
- July 2 - Ukrainian DX Classic RTTY Contest
<http://ucc.zp.ua/classic_rtty_eng.htm>
- July 2 - QRP ARCI QRP Shootout
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8395/118/>

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==> NORTHEAST FLORIDA ARES OPS WORK TROPICAL STORM BERYL
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Nassau County (northeast Florida) ARES® worked closely with county Emergency Management during Tropical Storm Beryl last month. County Emergency Manager Danny Hinson called me (EC Brian Kopp, KC5LPA) on Saturday morning, May 26, about 40 hours prior to landfall, and told me the county Emergency Operations Center (EOC) would be activated and that he could use some emergency communications assistance. I e-mailed and called my Assistant Emergency Coordinators, and then headed to the EOC. One of my AECs came along and we spent the day calling ARES members to line them up for possible shelter and EOC work. We also checked radio communications in the EOC communications center.

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On Sunday morning, we were back at the EOC and got the word that the
County might open 1 or 2 shelters. By agreement, ARES provides
communications support from the shelters to the EOC so that meant we
needed to have hams ready to deploy. Nassau County has a barrier island
where a large percentage of residents live and there were no plans to
evacuate so we needed to have ARES operators staged on the island and
on the mainland, in case bridge access was closed. It worked out that
we had enough hams on the mainland and on the island so we were
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covered.

For this storm the county decided to use "unadvertised" shelters. This is a protocol where the county prepares a shelter but does not actively inform the public. When residents call the EOC with a storm related emergency, they are "triaged" on the phone and a decision is made whether to send them to a shelter. A typical candidate resident might be a special needs patient who has an oxygen machine that needs power but is experiencing a local power outage in their area. The first resident that is sent to the shelter, effectively means the shelter is opened. Logistically, ARES had to be ready so we had hams standing by to go into the shelters. In fact, for one of the two planned shelters an ARES couple took their RV to the shelter location in advance of the storm so they could support right away if the shelter opened. They were also able to relay situational information about the shelter to the EOC; for instance, letting the EOC know when the Red Cross had dropped off cots, bedding, and water.

On Sunday night, the storm hit but not before the winds increased significantly from the early estimates. We had hams in the EOC communications room during the height of the storm. They maintained communications with our hams waiting at the shelter, those hams on standby and with hams at the Jacksonville EOC. As it turned out the shelters were not needed for the storm.

One big issue that we hadn't counted on was that being Memorial Day weekend, many county employees were out of town. On Monday morning, after Beryl made landfall and the county was waking up and assessing the damage, Hinson asked us to continue to help out in the EOC since they were short staffed. When Eric Anderson, W4FSA, one of my AECs, walked into the EOC Monday morning he found himself answering telephone calls from the public. Soon after I arrived there ARES was tasked with using our communications skills to collect damage reports. The damage assessment teams included those from the Red Cross, some county employees, and Nassau County Fire Rescue. The teams were calling in reports on the county's 800 MHz radio system. ARES, using county radios we had in the EOC communications room, took down the information and then created a database and map on the fly so the EOC could assess the impact to the county.

In addition, Hinson requested ARES hams provide neighborhood reports of damage, which we collected at the EOC using our ARES Amateur Radio repeater system. There were also some assessment teams who came in from the field with hand written reports and they were sent to us where we data based their information as well. The small communications room was a noisy place for a good part of the day on Monday.

After 3 days of support the Nassau County ARES team was able to stand down from performing a job well done. On the whole the county was lucky. A handful of homes and businesses were damaged, mainly from falling trees, but the majority of the county came through Beryl with minimal impact.

My thanks to our team who helped out: Tony W9AFM, Eric W4FSA, Paul AE4MM, Fred WK1F, Patti WK1E, Ron KC4MYV, Joe KM9V, Tom KJ4WQK, Mike KF4DSK, Dwayne KQ4XF, and Tom KJ4WHK. -- Brian Kopp, KC5LPA <brian@kilocharlie5.com>, Nassau County, Florida ARES Emergency Coordinator

==> HURRICANE STATION WX4NHC ANNUAL STATION TEST A SUCCESS

Each year prior to hurricane season, the Amateur Radio station WX4NHC at the National Hurricane Center in Miami, Florida, conducts a major on-the-air exercise to test all of its radio equipment, antennas and computers, and to practice some of the procedures used during actual hurricane operations. This year was no exception. Julio Ripoll, WD4R, the station's assistant coordinator, filed a report with the ARES E-Letter.

"We did have a malfunction of one of our main computers that is used for EchoLink and APRS during the test due to a faulty fan that caused it to overheat. We reverted to the use of a back up computer to resume operation on the EchoLink/IRLP Hurricane Net that was in progress without missing any contacts. This was good practice of using our backup systems while we were on the air. The faulty main computer is being replaced this week."

Ripoll reported 144 contacts on HF and 59 on EchoLink/IRLP during the test event. "We also received reports via our on-line reporting webpage, Winlink, APRS and e-mail. Stations contacted were from many states, from the west coast to New England, Canada and the Caribbean islands."

"We were surprised and honored to receive a very special weather report from N2OBS in Camp Dwyer, Afghanistan, who relayed our appreciation and best wishes to the men and women in uniform there," said Ripoll. "It was also great to speak with Jean-Robert, HH2JR, in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and Father John, HH6JH, on Ile de Vache, who were so instrumental to our UM/Medishare Ham Radio Mission after the Haiti Earthquake." "Mike Kelley, KJ4YDX, Vice Chairman of Medical Administration for the University of Miami and former Chief Operations Officer for the UM/Medishare Haiti Mission, spoke with both Jean-Robert and Father John about the past and current UM/Medishare field hospital missions in Haiti and thanked them for their help with the HH2/WX4NHC communications."

Ripoll concluded: "WX4NHC, a group of 30 volunteer Amateur Radio operators at the National Hurricane Center (NHC) appreciated all of the participation and support of the stations that contacted us during our annual test and look forward to their continuing support during the rest of the hurricane season." [Information on the National Hurricane station WX4NHC and an on-line hurricane report form can be found here <http://www.wx4nhc.com/>. - ed.]

==> CALIFORNIA ARES HOSPITAL GROUP TO OPERATE FIELD DAY

The famous Hospital Disaster Support Communications System (HDSCS) of Orange County, California, will participate with Huntington Beach Hospital in this year's ARRL Field Day exercise. The group will be communicating for 24 hours straight under emergency conditions. HDSCS ops plan to make use of the buildings, parking stands, and flagpoles to create antennas. They will be hanging out in those bright yellow surge capacity tents and making Field Day contacts and report exchanges. The members will also make satellite contacts.

District Emergency Coordinator (DEC) April Moell, WA6OPS, invited other operators to visit: "If you live or work nearby we hope you might be able to come and check out the setup, talk with some of our members, and maybe get on and make a radio contact yourself. If you have kids or grandkids, bring them too. Remember you can stop by anytime during the 24 hour time period. We might not be able to provide as thorough a tour after midnight but you can still have some fun checking things out. And maybe you can help keep our radio operators awake."

Listen for the HDSCS operation on one of the various modes, using the call signs W6H and K6MHD. They hope to make contacts with all 50 states. -- April Moell, M.A., CHCom, WA6OPS, District Emergency Coordinator, ARES Hospital Disaster Support Communications System, Orange County, CA

==> LETTERS: ARES AND DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS STANDARDIZATION

I serve as president of the Loma Prieta Amateur Radio Club (LPARC) in the Santa Cruz mountains of California. My purpose in writing is that our club spans two counties, and I perceive that there are some differences in approach to digital communications between operational areas. One county has a vigorous ARES program, and makes use of Outpost <http://www.outpostpm.org/> software. The other county is a bit newer to the digital communications party for emcomm, and has recently begun to make use of FLDIGI <http://www.w1hkj.com/Fldigi.html> software using MT63-2K mode. Other nearby counties' ARES organizations also use FLDIGI.

It's likely that each approach has its share of advantages and disadvantages, but as a small organization in a relatively small community, LPARC would be challenged to maintain and train on multiple sets of software serving a similar purpose. My question to the emcomm community is: what is being done/planned to steer our DECs towards a common solution for digital communications? We've read about how divergent systems in the public sector cause widespread interoperability challenges, and we don't need to repeat that in our community! I hope we're already working on this. Thank you for broadening visibility of this issue. -- David Katinsky, N2RDT, President, Loma Prieta Amateur Radio Club, California

==> LINKS OF INTEREST

Hughes Announces Emergency Networking Solutions in Anticipation of Hurricane Season

<http://psc.apcointl.org/2012/05/31/hughes-announces-emergency-networking-solutions-in-anticipation-of-hurricane-season/>
-- Solutions Ensure Government and Business Networks Stay Up and Running When Disaster Strikes. -- Thanks, Bob Bauer, KC4HM; APCO International Public Safety Communications, May 31, 2012

==> LETTERS: SURPLUS PUB-SAFETY RADIOS

Has your emcomm group taken advantage of the surplus Public-Safety radios that are being taken out of service? The Muskegon County (Michigan) Emergency Communication Services EmComm group has been using non-compliant commercial transceivers for APRS Digis, APRS trackers, WinLink 2000 go kits, packet operations, portable transceivers, repeaters, portable repeaters, and provides a newly licensed ham with a radio to use until they purchase one.

The FCC has mandated that commercial and public safety users must have their radio systems upgraded to the new narrowband emission standards by January 1, 2013. This mandate applies to users in the VHF 150 MHz and UHF 450 MHz bands. Only a small group of users within these bands are not required to migrate to narrowband emissions such as GMRS, FRS, Marine transceivers, and NOAA weather transmitters.

Set up a meeting with your emergency management agency contact to ask what their plans are for disposing of the non-narrow band equipment. If they have no plans, put a written plan together for donating the radios to your group, emphasizing the benefits to both organizations. Hopefully the decision makers will see the many uses of this older equipment to your group versus being sent to the salvage yard.

After you have secured the equipment one of the first requirements will be to have the radios "wiped clean" of their public-safety frequencies. Agencies with a radio shop might even re-program the radios to your frequencies, or you might already have members of your group that have the necessary equipment for re-programming.

Most commercial radio equipment is capable of being used in the Amateur Radio bands. There are many advantages to using commercial equipment. Two of the many benefits are the capability of operating in congested RF environments, and this is a simple radio to operate for the new ham/emcomm member.-- James C. Duram, K8COP, Emergency Coordinator, RACES Radio Officer, Professional Emergency Manager (PEM), Communications Unit Leader (COM-L); Muskegon County Emergency Communication Services <http://www.mcecs.net/>, Inc., Muskegon, Michigan

==> SILENT KEY: SKYWARN FOUNDER MERLE G. KACHENMEISTER, WA8EWW

Merle G. Kachenmeister, WA8EWW, died May 29 at the age of 82 in the care of Hospice of NW Ohio. He had lived most recently in Blissfield, Michigan. A Navy veteran, he began his career doing weather for the Navy, according to his obituary. He then worked for the US Weather Bureau, later renamed the National Weather Service, where he developed

the SKYWARN weather warning system following the deadly 1965 Palm Sunday tornadoes. In recognition, the US Department of Commerce awarded him a bronze service medal in 1974.

With Amateur Radio operators at the forefront of the SKYWARN program, the ARRL and the National Weather Service have cosponsored SKYWARN Recognition Day since 1999. A pioneering television meteorologist, Kachenmeister retired from WTOL in Toledo, Ohio after stints at several other TV stations. - ARRL Web site

==> CORRECTION: HURRICANE WATCH NET

First, thanks for mentioning the Hurricane Watch Net in your Atlantic hurricane season article in the last issue. There was an error made, however, in regard to when we activate the net. The HWN only activates when hurricanes threaten land in the Atlantic, Caribbean Basin, and Gulf of Mexico.

This will be the HWN's 47th consecutive hurricane season, as the net was begun in 1965 during Hurricane Betsy. We obtain real time, ground truth weather observations from hams in or near these storms and relay the info to the National Hurricane Center in Miami. While our primary focus remains to be on 14.325 MHz, recent solar cycle fluctuations and the resultant propagation anomalies have required us to be flexible and operate on 40 and/or 80 meter frequencies, as well. - Brad Pioveson, W9FX [ARRL Illinois ARES Section Emergency Coordinator; Illinois Emergency Management Agency State RACES Officer; and Army MARS Agency Liaison. Pioveson is also ARRL Central Division representative to the Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC); and member of the Hurricane Watch Net (since 1995). He serves as President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hurricane Watch Net, Inc. Since 1995, W9FX has served as National Training Officer for SATERN.]

And as a teaser...watch for information about a 2012 hurricane season webinar that will feature presentations by WX4NHC, HWN, VOIP WX Net, and ARRL HQ staff. Information will be made available on the ARRL website and ARRL_EmComm Twitter feed.

==> LETTERS: ARESMAT CONCEPT

This concept [ARESMAT, last issue] is one that was both cussed and discussed at several disaster debriefings that I had the opportunity of taking part in while an active member of the Red Cross Disaster Services Human Resources (DSHR) over the years (1994 through 2005). Several points that need to be clearly agreed upon whenever we ask volunteers to leave home for any period of time are the use of personal vehicles (gas and parking), personal liability, lodging, and meals. Volunteers must be sure that their medical insurance will cover such activities and that they will be able to get refills of any prescriptions that they need. What may be covered by Illinois Volunteer Laws may be quite different from those in the "Host" state. --Tod West, KB9AIL, Illinois ARES OES

==> KI1U FOR A FINAL

[This month, we defer to ARRL's Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U, for his compelling essay on upgrading. - K1CE]

Upgrade

Each one of us came into the Amateur Radio Service through a gateway; for some it was shortwave listening, others knew a ham and thought it seemed like something fun to do, and others may have got their start through a scouting project. Many Amateurs, in recent years, have gotten their license because of emergency preparedness or public service interest.

However you came into the hobby your second step, after getting your license, is to put it to good use. Naturally you're going to explore what sparked your interest first, but from there the Amateur Radio Service can offer you much more, but you'll probably need to upgrade.

The importance of upgrading your license is critical for those with an interest in emergency communications and public service. We have a tendency to think that these activities are limited to the VHF/UHF bands and a Technician license will suffice. It is true that many local emcomm and public service activities center on local repeaters, but you wouldn't put only band aids in your first aid kit so why would you only put VHF/UHF in your communications tool box?

The first and most important reason to upgrade is that it will give you more privileges on the Amateur Radio bands. You will have more radio spectrum at your disposal and can move past the gate and explore the rest of the Service. Remember that your Amateur Radio license is not what makes you an asset to emergency communications and public service; your license allows you to get on the air and improve your operating and technical skills. It is being a well rounded Amateur Radio operator that makes you an asset. No one got their driver's license and expected to win the Indy 500 the next day.

Never miss an opportunity to get on the air.

The second reason to upgrade is to add to your communications tool box. We often think of our communications tool box (not to be confused with our go-kit) in terms of modes and devices, but it also includes spectrum. Adding more HF spectrum you can use improves your tool box. It gives you more ways to improve your skills as an Amateur Radio operator and as a communications volunteer to your served agencies.

So, it's time to upgrade! Start by getting a good study manual, available through the ARRL and many Amateur Radio vendors. And don't forget to try a few practice exams before you take the real thing. Practice exams are available online. The next step is to work with your elmer. A good elmer doesn't quit once you pass your Technician exam; they are there to help you learn and grow as an Amateur Radio operator. And finally when you're ready, find an exam session. You can find information on the license classes, exam sessions, and more at

http://www.arrl.org/licensing-preparation-exams Good luck and I hope to hear you on the air! - Mike Corey, KI1U

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1046. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 20 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 11:04:07 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8ff1c9005b2a0204c2e55bf4@google.com>
Source record: 2713
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Sending a message to Bletchley Park

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/awVysTtb6D4/sending_a_message_to_bletchley_park.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim G4VXE reports on the encrypted messages sent from Cheltenham to
Bletchley Park to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Alan M.
Turing

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F-1 CubeSat deployment video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/quB8IJGgJ4Q/f1_cubesat_deployment_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows the planned deployment of the amateur radio CubeSat F-1,
callsign XV1VN, and other small satellites from the International Space
Station (ISS)

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TRA meets Emirates Amateur Radio Society delegation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/l4gD7-gO6z8/tra_meets_emirates_amateur_radio_society_delegation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) met with the Telecommunications
Regulatory Authority (TRA) in Abu Dhabi to discuss amateur radio issues

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Shropshire's radio hams talk on a global scale

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ubAxQujScBQ/shropshires_radio_hams_talk_on_a_global_scale.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Shropshire Star newspaper reports on the success of Telford and
District Amateur Radio Society in winning the RSGB Club of the Year
competition

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SAQ - Alexanderson Day - July 1, 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/keqLY4axaks/saq_alexanderson_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We would like to remind you of the Grimeton Radio/SAQ transmissions on 17.2 kHz, CW, with the Alexanderson alternator on Sunday July 1, 2012 ,“Alexanderson Day”, at 09:00 UTC and 12:00 UTC

1047. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 20 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 16:16:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c9388451f04c2e9b6fd@google.com>
Source record: 2714
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Etherkit debuts with open source QRSS transmitter kit

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350853-Etherkit-debuts-with-open-source-QRSS-transmitter-kit&goto=newpost

Etherkit debuts with open source QRSS transmitter kit

Etherkit, a new amateur radio kit company devoted to open source hardware, has released its first product for sale.

OpenBeacon is an open source crystal-controlled QRPp beacon transmitter kit which can output a variety of slow-speed modes, including QRSS, DFCW, and Sequential Multi-tone Hellschreiber.

It is configured via USB port, so there are no jumpers to set and you can easily adjust all of the operating parameters via command line. Once configuration is complete, OpenBeacon may be removed from the PC and operate stand-alone, as the on-board microcontroller stores all settings.

Specifications

* Frequency: crystal controlled

* Modes: CW, QRSS, DFCW, Sequential Multi-tone Hellschreiber, Glyphcode, WSPR (experimental)

* Power output: 300 mW nominal (at +13.7 VDC power supply)

* Spectral purity: greatest harmonic www.etherkit.com for more product information, images, full documentation, access to the firmware and software, and to order.

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350774-Super-Antenna-Restarts-Antenna-Business-Launches-New-Website&goto=newpost

Super Antenna Restarts Antenna Business; Launches New Website

Legendary MP1 and YP3 Back in Production

SAN MATEO, Calif., USA--June 18, 2012-- SuperAntenna Corporation, maker of the legendary MP1☐ Portable Antenna and YP3☐ Portable Yagi, announced today the full restarting of the Super Antenna business begun in 2000 by Vern Wright, W6MMA. The new company, now a California high technology corporation, has begun shipping the MP1☐ Portable Antenna and the YP3☐ Portable Yagi, both re-engineered to a higher standard of performance.

Super Antenna also announced a new web site where hams radio operators can get information on Super Antenna products, download technical papers and manuals or purchase Super Antenna products and accessories. The new website is available at http://www.newsuperantenna.com.

"We are very pleased to reopen Super Antenna to the ham community worldwide. The response from our ham friends around the world has been magnificent and we look forward to providing the best portable antennas and accessories available," said Super Antenna founder and President Vern Wright W6MMA.

SuperAntenna Corporation is located in San Mateo and Lincoln, California, and develops, markets and sells a line of portable antennas and accessories worldwide under the trademark "SuperAntenna☐". SuperAntenna Corporation is the only manufacturer of genuine SuperAntenna☐ products.

The Super Antenna☐ and SuperAntenna☐ names and MP1☐ and YP3☐ are trademarks of SuperAntenna Corporation. All rights reserved worldwide.

Further information about Super Antenna may be found on its web site at http://www.newsuperantenna.com

Contact: June Wright at SuperAntenna Corp

1-916-434-9225

(9:00 AM - 4:00 PM PT)

Download this press release in PDF file format:

http://newsuperantenna.com/Super-Antenna-News/#press

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ANS-169 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 18 Jun 2012 04:35 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350718-ANS-169-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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AMSAT 2012 Symposium Weekend Schedule Posted

The 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium will be held in Orlando, Florida on the weekend of October 26-28, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Orlando Airport Hotel.

The Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet□Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

To help you plan your trip to Orlando the 2012 Symposium Committee has posted a high-level schedule of the weekend's events.

Preliminary 2012 Symposium Schedule

Thursday 25 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - 9pm

Friday 26 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - Noon

Trips to SkyCraft 9am - Noon

AMSAT Symposium 1pm - 5pm

Saturday 27 October 2012

Symposium 8am - 3pm

AMSAT General Meeting 3:30pm

AMSAT Banquet 6:30pm - 10pm

Sunday 28 October 2012

7:30am AMSAT Area Coordinator's Breakfast

Local trip of Interest TBD

Monday 29 October 2012

Special trip to Kennedy Space Center 8am-6pm

Contact Martha if interested

Watch the AMSAT Symposium Web Pages for the latest information.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

Candidates for the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors

There are six candidates running for the AMSAT-NA Board of Directors. Three of the candidates are current members of the Board whose term expires this year. Ballots will be mailed to the membership by July 15th, and must be received at the AMSAT-NA Silver Spring, MD office no later than the close of business on September 15th, 2012.

The nominees include (in alphabetical order):

Tom Clark, K3IO *Steve Coy, K8UDMark Hammond, N8MHLou McFadin, W5DID *Gould Smith, WA4SXM *Patrick E. Stoddard, WD9EWK

* Incumbent

[ANS thanks Alan, WA4SCA, for the above information]

Viet Nam F-1 CubeSat Team Invites You to Send Your Name to Space

The latest news from the F-1 CubeSat Team, posted on their website blog and on the AMSAT-UK web with additional photos reports that the satellite's flight safety review is complete and the FSpace team together with their partner NanoRacks LLC has satisfied the technical requirements and

standards set by the launch vehicle provider.

F-1 CubeSat is ready for its scheduled launch in July 21, 2012 from Japan. If everything goes according to plan, the F-1 CubeSat will be delivered to Japan by the end of June. Then along with four other CubeSats (RAIKO, WE-WISH, FITSAT-1 and TechEdSat) F-1 will be loaded onboard HTV-3 ☐Kounotori☐ transfer vehicle for integration with the JAXA HII-B launch vehicle.

These CubeSats will remain aboard the ISS until September, 2012 when Japanese astronaut and radio amateur Akihiko Hoshide KE5DNI should deploy it into space from the ISS using the Kibo robot arm.

F-1 carries two Yaesu VX-3R transceivers using 145.980 and 437.485 MHz.

The FSpace team are offering the public a chance to send their name/callsign and a message into space onboard the F-1 CubeSat. You will also be presented with a certificate!

[ANS thanks the FSpace Team and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

1st Interplanetary CubeSat Workshop Video and Presentations Available

Video and presentations from the 1st Interplanetary CubeSat Workshop, held in and around MIT and Boston on May 29-30 are available for downloading. Copies and videos of all the presentations, posters and ancillary sessions can be found by clicking on their titles.

Please note that this conference was an open conference and did not wish to discuss information restricted by ITAR. U.S. citizens and permanent residents were responsible for ensuring that technical data presented was not restricted by ITAR and that ITAR controlled information was not discussed with non-U.S. citizens.

[ANS thanks the iCubeSat Workshop for the above information]

Credit Card Sized Raspberry Pi Computer Board Runs Ham Radio Software

AMSAT-UK and AMSAT-NA member Dave Johnson, G4DPZ, has been using the Raspberry Pi to run amateur radio satellite software.

The £22 ($35) Model B Raspberry Pi is a credit-card sized ARM-based computer board that plugs into a TV and a keyboard. Based around the 700 MHz ARM11 processor the board has 256 MB SDRAM, two USB ports, Ethernet with composite and HDMI video outputs. Low-level peripherals are GPIO pins, SPI, I^2C, I^2S and UART.

It was developed in Cambridgeshire by a UK registered charity, the Raspberry Pi Foundation, which exists to promote the study of computer science and related topics, especially at school level, and to put the fun back into learning computing.

Dave☐s Raspberry Pi runs Debian Squeeze with Xwindows and is accessed using VNC over his shack network.

The first amateur radio application he got running was the GPredict satellite tracking software, thanks go to Alex Csete OZ9AEC for making such a portable implementation. Dave found the sofware and updates of the Keplerian Two Line Elements from the Internet worked perfectly.

More information about the Raspberry Pi can be found on-line.

GPredict free real-time satellite tracking and orbit prediction software can be found on-line.

See also AMSAT-UK web for photos and additional information about the Raspberry Pi.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Nick Pugh, K5QXJ posted a video recorded during an AubieSat-1 pass after its recent on-orbit reconfiguration.Plan Ahead! To celebrate Venezuelan Navy Day, members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5B from La Blanquilla Island between July 11-16. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, Satellites, FM and the Digital modes. (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1065)The next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday June 21, 8PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). The echolink connection has been experiencing problems so you are invited to send an e-mail to N2OXV at arrl.net to make sure that the N2EYH-L EchoLink node is available if you plan to join via this route. (Stu, WA2BSS)A video of the AMSAT-UK FunCube Dongle receiving the HORYU-2 Satellite is posted on-line. You will also find links describing the satellite and a link to software for telemetry decoding.VE7BQH has just updated his 2m and 6m antenna comparison tables and provided additional information on each antenna. The changes are explained by him along with links to both text and spreadsheet versions of the tables.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

ARISS Status - 11 June 2012

Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Status Report June 11, 2012

1. Japanese Contact Successful

On Wednesday, June 6, students attending Kawatinagano Higashi Junior High School in Kawatinagano, Osaka, Japan took part in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with André Kuipers, PI9ISS on ISS. At the beginning of the contact the school was experiencing a power blackout, but recovered in time so that all children were able to ask their questions. The event supplemented lessons about space and the ISS.

2. Astronaut Training Status

Astronaut Jeannette Epps took and passed her amateur radio license exam last week and was given the callsign KF5QNU. She is not assigned to any future ISS expedition crews at this time.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

1048. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 19:42:11 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201206201942.q5KJg3WP029229@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2715
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/ WEEK 25 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-06-20
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Hi all
To those who had contacts with Tony as F8ATS/6W and will attend the
HamRadio Messe in Friedrichshafen:
Tony will be present during the HamMesse of Friedrichshafen, at the
CLIPPERTON DX CLUB/UFT stand on Saturday June 23, from 1300 to 1400 zulu..
So if you QSO'd him when beeing in Senegal , bring your QSL with details
and you'll get your F8ATS/6W QSL cards, from him,
You can write also to Tony at : f8ats@yahoo.fr <mailto:f8ats@yahoo.fr>,
until June 21 so you'll wait no more for your card, in Fried.
Tks to forward this to your friends and clubs
Forwarded with 73, by
Maurice, F5NQL, F6KOP member
Bonjour ï¿½ tous
Ceux qui ont contactï¿½ Tony, F8ATS/6W, lors de son sï¿½jour au Sï¿½nï¿½gal, et
qui seront ï¿½ Friedrichshafen, pourront rï¿½cupï¿½rer leur carte QSL, le
samedi 23 juin, de 1300 ï¿½ 1400 utc, sur le stand commun CDXC/UFT.
Prï¿½parez votre QSL avec les dï¿½tails de votre ou vos QSO et vous
repartirez avec votre carte F8ATS/6W.
Vous pouvez aussi lui ï¿½crire ï¿½ f8ats@yahoo.fr <mailto:f8ats@yahoo.fr>,
avant le 21 juin; ainsi vous n'attendrez pas ï¿½ Fried.

Merci de faire suivre ï¿½ vos amis et R Clubs
Retransmis avec ses amitiï¿½s par
Maurice, F5NQL, membre de F6KOP

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** DXCC: ZP: Paraguay ; square GG22; start 2012-06-23 **

Greetings to all,

I plan to be QRV on 144.131 transmitting first on Saturday June 23 from
my moonrise at 1330z for as long as I can stay in the radio club . . .
perhaps until 2359z, my moonset. It does not look like I will have the
new preamp in time for this session, but there is a chance. Without the
new preamp I do not hear as well as I should, for which I apologize.

The station is in GG22BQ, with 250 watts output to a pair of 9 element
horizontally polarized yagis.

Sunday operation is not possible for me, and after the 23rd my only
other window for operation appears to be July 3 and 4. Then I will come
back to the U. S. until early February 2013. I hope to put up the EME
station at the central radio club in Asuncion, ZP5AA, in mid February
2013. I plan to have a 432 mHz yagi to at least work the big stations on
that band. I will also bring back a sequencer and preamps for 144 and 432.

Hope to work many of you on the 23rd.

73 de Steve ZP9EH

SOURCE: Moonet

** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

All is prepaired and running well. Outside the hours on the Moon the Team will be qrv for
Tropo and MS as well (any skeds pse Mail to DL9MS).
Callsign VP9I is confirmed (thanks to VP9GI!)
A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** DXCC: I: Italy; square JN56; start 2012-06-09 **

Steffen DD0VF qrv from JN56RM as IN3/DD0VF in June

This year some mountain hiking in South Tyrol again.
I'll be QRV in the morning and evening for MS. Reasonable
good take off from QTF 40-60 and 180-290 (G/GW shall work
with some offset to south).
Rig: only 50W, 4 or 7el (depending on space of balkony)

I could be also QRV from abt 2500m asl for a few hours
(possible calls IN3/DD0VF, IW3/DD0VF, HB9/DD0VF)

Let me know if you still need JN56.

SOURCE: tnx to Steffen direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SM: Sweden; square JO87; start 2012-06-20**

SM/DG5CST will be activ from JO87

I will be activ in holliday-style from island &#65533;land.

Equipment: 9ele Tonna, 350w, IC706

Will call cq with split qrg on 144,370MHz.

73 gl

SOURCE: tnx to Sebastian, DG5CST direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VU: India; square ????; start 2012-05-23 **

Until July 8th, Taj, VU2DJ, Sabu, VU2ELJ, Sree, VU2OB, Prabin,
VU2POL, Peeter, VU2PJP, Murali, VU2FWW, Thomas, VU2VJT, Sunil,
VU2ATB, Ashraf, VU3MTY, Mujeeb, VU3WII and Sanal, VU3SIO, will
activate the special call sign 8T1M from 160 - 2 Meter in CW, SSB,
PSK, RTTY, FM and D-STAR. QSL via VU2MLQ.
http://www.malabarradiohams.org/

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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1049. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 20:35:53 UTC
From: Laurie <laurie@home.invalid>
Message-ID: <4fe23413$0$1431$c3e8da3$91613603@news.astraweb.com>
Source record: 2716
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 19/06/12 9:30 PM, David Woolley wrote:
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> Unless Ofcom has failed to update their information, it also has to have
> things like a permanently attached antenna,

Where in the current interface requirement does it say anything about a
permanently attached antenna?

http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/spectrum/spectrum-policy-area/spectrum-managemen
t/research-guidelines-tech-info/interface-requirements/IR2009.pdf

Laurie

1050. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 20:55:49 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <DnhotSNVjj4PFwVR@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2717
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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>spectrum-management/research-guidelines-tech-info/interface-requirements
>/IR2009.pdf
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That seems to be a fairly brief summary. More detail is in the older RA
document:
http://www.ofcom.org.uk/static/archive/ra/publication/ra_info/ra357.htm

"5. RADIO EQUIPMENT
PMR 446 radio equipment must be handportable, have an integral antenna,
have a maximum ERP of 500 mW and be compliant with ETS 300 296."

I doubt if they have changed the technical specs.
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Ian

1051. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 22:43:46 UTC
From: Laurie <laurie@home.invalid>
Message-ID: <4fe2521e$0$856$c3e8da3$40cdd511@news.astraweb.com>
Source record: 2718
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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>> spectrum-management/research-guidelines-tech-info/interface-requirements
>> /IR2009.pdf
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> have a maximum ERP of 500 mW and be compliant with ETS 300 296."
>
> I doubt if they have changed the technical specs.

But change the specs. is exactly what they have done.
ra357 is only there as an archive and is no longer the applicable
document. The current interface document is IR2009.

Laurie

1052. eHam.net News for Wednesday 20 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-20 22:52:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6144fc3e8a3104c2ef4013@google.com>
Source record: 2719
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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The Right Frequency:

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 06:22 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28503

Barrie Amateur Radio Club keeping others well connected: Doug Mein's trusty ham radio has taken him around the world without leaving his home. As a teenager, Mein was thrilled to connect with other amateur radio enthusiasts on whatever frequency he happened to pick up. "I was a radio ham since I was 16, and I think it's one of the most wonderful hobbies there is," said Mein, a retired Transport Canada employee. "I use Morse code so I can talk to people all over the world regardless of what language they speak. "One language, one world, basically." That love of his unique hobby grew up with him, and Mein is now president of the Barrie Amateur Radio Club. "Amateur radio is a technical hobby, and enthusiasts can learn from each other and socialize at our club," Mein said. "Ham radio operators are usually pretty clever, tinkering around with these radios in their basements or ham shacks."

1053. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 20 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 03:31:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852bb0f98804c2f254c7@google.com>
Source record: 2720
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio Field Day this weekend in Yuma - Yuma Sun

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 07:26 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGRik9UtAXbYV1Up9VBD-eLL-xYxA&url=http://www.yumasun.com/news/radio-79868-ham-yuma.html

NorthFulton.com
Ham radio Field Day this weekend in Yuma
Yuma Sun
Amateur ham radio operators in the Yuma area will host a public demonstration of emergency communications this weekend as part of Field Day 2012.
Amateur radio operators join national Field DayVictoria Advocate
Ham radio returns to Moss Lake Campground, fairgroundsShelby Star
Newton, McPherson ham radio clubs to test skills this weekendNewton Kansan
South Whidbey Record -Goochland Gazette -NorthFulton.com
all 83 news articles

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Fulton County Amateur Radio Club to hold Amateur Radio Field Day - Canton Daily Ledger

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 04:38 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFAjTA3iI4aw8AyV3Hz9-IUaLaMfw&url=http://www.cantondailyledger.com/topstories/x465805090/Fulton-County-Amateur-Radio-Club-to-hold-Amateur-Radio-Field-Day

Fulton County Amateur Radio Club to hold Amateur Radio Field Day
Canton Daily Ledger
Ham radio operators like these will be participating again in the annual ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day event this weekend at Lakeland Park, Canton. Activities ...

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Carpe Weekend: The spirit of radio - SouthtownStar

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 03:05 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGoaOs9YumqImAx06-DAoRu2AnMPw&url=http://southtownstar.suntimes.com/entertainment/13163039-421/carpe-weekend-the-spirit-of-radio.html

Carpe Weekend: The spirit of radio
SouthtownStar

If ham radio sounds like the kind of hobby youve been itching to try, check out the Tri-Town Radio Amateur Clubs annual Field Day at 1 p.m. Saturday at the ...

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'Ham' radio field day planned this weekend - DesMoinesRegister.com (blog)

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 07:51 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFL5ekZk666vPPHkZhMnrL-yE8T_A&url=http://blogs.desmoinesregister.com/dmr/index.php/2012/06/20/ham-radio-field-day-planned-this-weekend/

DesMoinesRegister.com (blog)
Ham radio field day planned this weekend
DesMoinesRegister.com (blog)
In ham we trust: Norwalks La Quercia celebrates life, liberty and the ...
Society will host Des Moines Field Day, a 24-hour exhibition for amateur radio operators.

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Ozone Amateur Radio Club will sponsor Slidell EOC Ham fest - News Banner

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 11:06 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHvsykA_DXBAvWKsRDz6cHAEOIC-Q&url=http://www.thesttammanynews.com/news/article_6dc42982-ba7a-11e1-a15b-001a4bcf887a.html

Ozone Amateur Radio Club will sponsor Slidell EOC Ham fest
News Banner
During Hurricane Katrina, OARC was delivering news from Slidell.

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Amateur radio event is this weekend - Andalusia Star-News

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 10:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGHniGBbFPiiojLzV7Ox_41BGOeOg&url=http://www.andalusiastarnews.com/2012/06/20/amateur-radio-event-is-this-weekend/

Amateur radio event is this weekend
Andalusia Star-News
During hurricanes they station a ham at the station.” Brown said the public is invited out to see what they are doing. Amateur radio provided emergency ...

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Radio wizard will 'ham' it up at Field Day - Press Pubs

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 09:26 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGlqarLB3DOUr3PDpeNxjRrOVZvZQ&url=http://www.presspubs.com/quad/news/article_7eeeb33c-ba28-11e1-be27-001a4bcf887a.html

Radio wizard will ham it up at Field Day
Press Pubs
LINO LAKES — Dont call the use of radio for communications purposes quaint, at least not in front of Tim Neu. In amateur radio, popularly known as

“ham” radio ...

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EOC to host ham radio event - The News Herald

Posted: 19 Jun 2012 02:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFJL5R_iRpO2qZCiUgDSM2ZJPeuzg&url=http://www.newsherald.com/news/communication-103544-disaster-amateur.html

EOC to host ham radio event
The News Herald
EOC to host Ham radio event | communication, disaster, amateur, radio, host, eoc, cellphone, southport, internet, event.

1054. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 08:16:39 UTC
From: Analogue Lettuce <punkbiscuit@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <dcaea94b-4e6f-49aa-9d6c-46f5a43f13a8@m10g2000vbn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2721
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Jun 21, 7:18 am, luci...@eternal-flames.gov wrote:
> On Wed, 20 Jun 2012 21:35:53 +0100, Laurie <lau...@home.invalid>
> wrote:
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> >Where in the current interface requirement does it say anything about a
> >permanently attached antenna?
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> >http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/spectrum/spectrum-policy-ar...
>
> http://tinyurl.com/66pyfxa

Which is the document that I have continually referered to on here
many time, but no one listens ;-)

Specifically -

Converted radio equipment

If modifications are made to the equipment, such as adding an antenna
connector, the overall maximum ERP or other technical parameters must
not exceed the permitted levels set out in the Interface Requirement.

Problem solved.

1055. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 08:19:33 UTC
From: Analogue Lettuce <punkbiscuit@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <ce8b4da9-b266-4cf0-9cf8-05f8fceeb00f@l5g2000vbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2722
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

On Jun 19, 9:47 am, Ian Jackson
<ianREMOVETHISjack...@g3ohx.demon.co.uk> wrote:
> In message <jrpcaq$i...@dont-email.me>, David Woolley
> <da...@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid> writes>Ian Jackson wrote:
>
> >> Probably the easiest way of getting radios for use in Tibet is to
> >>source them locally, and get them shipped to a convenient collection
> >>point. China and Hong Kong are certainly not short of manufacturers!
>
> >Even for an American in the UK, that would be the best approach, as
> >radios not specifically approved for PMR 446 are not covered by the
> >class licence.
>
> I note that the OP's intended radio (Motorola Spirit UHF) is 1 channel.
> 2W. The Chinese public service radios are only 0.5W (and with a tiddly
> antenna), so even if these are readily available, they might not be
> quite suitable.
>
> >For China, it will be part a question of protecting their own industry
> >and partly a national security issue.
>
> Importing two-way radios into China would probably not be threatening
> their own industry. They probably originated there in the first place!
>
> > Given its history, national security is likely to be a particularly
> >important issue in Tibet.
>
> It says inhttp://tel_archives.ofca.gov.hk/en/ad-comm/tsac/ns-paper/nsp2002p3.pdf
>
> "In December 2001, the Ministry of Information Industry of China
> announced that short-range portable radio transceivers, or
> "walkie-talkies",
> operating in the band 409.7500 – 409.9875 MHz with transmitter power not
> exceeding 0.5W were exempted from licensing."
>
> Presumably these are legal to use throughout all of China - but you
> never know. In certain countries, being legal does not guarantee you
> won't have problems. Only a couple of weeks ago, a German radio amateur,
> operating absolutely 100% legally when on holiday in Greece, was
> arrested and hauled before the courts. I believe he is back home, but
> may need to return for a full trial.
> <http://www.southgatearc.org/news/june2012/german_radio_ham_arrested_in_g
> reece.htm>

> and links.
> --
> Ian

If he was in the rightr then he was in the right.

Holiday insurance should cover that and I'd be seeking legal redress
from the Greeks if there are any avenues to pursue.

As I've always preached - take no s***t from anyone especially
when you have right on your side.

1056. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 08:47:23 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <mLyhWyGb+t4PFwTs@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2723
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

In message
<dcaea94b-4e6f-49aa-9d6c-46f5a43f13a8@m10g2000vbn.googlegroups.com>,
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>connector, the overall maximum ERP or other technical parameters must
>not exceed the permitted levels set out in the Interface Requirement.
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>Problem solved.

I've only glanced through it, but I get the distinct impression that
there is a tacit acceptance that the original 'only built-in aerial'
rule is being broken.
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Ian

1057. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 10:59:03 UTC
From: "Geoffrey S. Mendelson" <gsm@mendelson.com>
Message-ID: <slrnju5vcc.qdo.gsm@cable.mendelson.com>
Source record: 2724
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

Analogue Lettuce wrote:
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> As I've always preached - take no s***t from anyone especially
> when you have right on your side.
>

It's good advice for him to remember when he is serving his 5 month jail sentence for refusing to turn over his log files, because he refused to give them a laptop which had nothing to do with his radio operation.

Geoff.

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Geoffrey S. Mendelson, N3OWJ/4X1GM/KBUH7245/KBUW5379

1058. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 21 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 11:07:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81e2cbbc1804c2f986f9@google.com>
Source record: 2725
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fs5GapmBdBw/june_21.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A really poor early part of the week, just look at Wednesday! It did pick
up at the weekend with the Asian contest but even then numbers were low,
for a CW contest

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Tens of thousands of Radio Hams go on air this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CHiC5mOpYL4/tens_of_thousands_of_radio_hams_go_on_air_this_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

TMCnews reports that Amateur Radio operators will be firing up portable
radio stations from unexpected locations this weekend

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2M1EUB/P on ham radio satellites from Scotland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bkYCV2B-8cQ/2m1eub_on_ham_radio_satellites_from_scotland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paul Robinson 2E1EUB will be active on the Amateur Radio satellites from
Scotland signing 2M1EUB/P for two weeks starting Sunday, June 24

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144 MHZ beacon and APRS test with meteorological balloon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YKXSNTomvb8/aprs_test_balloon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The similar test (The Cross system and APRS with balloon) that we had
realized in 2007-2010 will be re-done between Erzincan-Gumushane-Bayburt at
local time 10:00 on 24th of June 2012

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Sri Lankan radio amateurs offer emergency communications

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1jnVNOFzUK0/sri_lankan_radio_amateurs_offer_emergency_communications.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sri Lanka’s amateur radio operators have renewed their call to be included in communication work during national disasters, after the defence authorities relaxed rules on clearing equipment

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IARU-R1 Spectrum Workshop

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TAz92tICaI0/iaru_r1_spectrum_workshop.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU Region 1 Spectrum Workshop is taking place in Friedrishchafen this Sunday, June 24, from 09.00-15.00

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Papua New Guinea IOTA tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3-1irUbG2Ek/papua_new_guinea_iota_op.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An international team will visit five islands belonging to Papua New Guinea between October 19th and November 4th

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Open Day and Auction at Hull and District Amateur Radio Society

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x0Do9yssgWE/hull_and_district_amateur_radio_society.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Don't forget, the Hull and District Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open event on Sunday 24th of June 2012

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GB2AVF Special Event Station Sunday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zfA0wGgVBu8/gb2avf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Loughton and Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society (LEFARS) will be running a special event station GB2AVF at the Abridge Village Fete on Sunday, June 24

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Russian Robinson Club in American Samoa

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2xfDGXf32Pk/russian_robinson_club_in_american_samoa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of Russian Robinson Club (RRC), Yuri N3QQ and Dick N7RO will be making a quick trip down to American Samoa between June 27th and July 3rd, and will possibly be active as KH8PPG or KH8RRC

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Humorous Ham Radio Videos

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8OwnEAMf4dI/ham_radio_humor_videos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paul NA4ZI has found these three humorous videos about Ham Radio

1059. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 21 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 16:53:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08b52211804c2fe5b64@google.com>
Source record: 2726
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Radio Merit Badge "Doubleheader"

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 01:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350941-Radio-Merit-Badge-quot-Doubleheader-quot&goto=newpost

Preparedness was the theme of the day as over 212 Boy Scouts from three states came together this month for the annual Radio Merit Badge program at Ham-Com 2012 (June 8-9), the state's largest Amateur Radio convention in Plano, Texas.

Scouts learned new skills and got a close look at the latest Amateur Radio gear during the day-long event at the Plano Convention Center.

This popular Radio Merit Badge program strives to cover all of the badge requirements in a fun and interactive way, and to highlight the importance of Amateur Radio as an emergency preparedness tool. Scouts at this year's event enjoyed special speakers, class participation activities and actual on-air contacts with radio "hams" around the world.

Citing the need to "plant seeds for the future," Ham-Com began sponsoring the program a decade ago at their annual Amateur Radio convention by offering free admission and meals to Scouts in uniform. Their goal was to inspire Scouts to pursue Amateur Radio as an avocation, or to perhaps put their newly-learned radio skills to use during times of disaster when normal communications systems are knocked out.

Richard Phillips and James Alderman have been conducting the day-long program at Ham-Com for the past eight years and have seen attendance levels steadily increase. They estimate close to a thousand boys have been through their program so far.

As the Radio Merit Badge program has gained popularity in the Scouting community, Ham-Com's support has grown also. Now Scouts can take their Amateur Radio license exam at no charge during the event.

Allan Batteiger teaches Amateur Radio license classes in the local community and heads up the exam team for the event. This year two lucky Scouts who passed their license exams were each was presented with a special bonus□a brand new ICOM V80 handheld radio and matching antenna courtesy of Ham-Com and Diamond Antenna Corporation.

Event organizers faced a unique, although daunting challenge this year when a computer glitch failed to shut down the online class registration system once all available seats were filled. By the time the error was discovered, almost 600 boys had signed up for the Radio Merit Badge program□three times more than the classroom would seat!

Phillips and Alderman decided to try and accommodate overflow crowds by making this year's program a "doubleheader"□two Radio Merit Badge programs back-to-back in a single day.

Even with two packed sessions, scores of boys who had pre-registered had to be turned away. But stay tuned! Another Radio Merit Badge class is being planned for later this summer.

National Association For Amateur Radio: www.arrl.org

Ham-Com: www.hamcom.org

HamCom-2012-Group_cropped.jpg

The Group Photo is courtesy of Paul White.

RMB 2012 - Award DSC_7880.JPG

The Awards Photo is courtesy of Jerry Karlovich.

In the Awards Photo from Left to Right.

Bill Nelson AB5QZ

Dee Miller N5UIG

Allan Batteiger WB5QNG

Fred Varian WD5ERD

Venture Scout Aaron **

Boy Scout Caleb **

Jim McClellan N5MIJ

** Scouts under the age of 18 only first names given Per BSA policy.

Attached Images

RMB 2012 - Award DSC_7880.JPG
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HamCom-2012-Group_cropped.jpg
(948.7 KB)

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AmateurLogic.TV 40: Dayton Hamvention 2012

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 08:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350900-AmateurLogic-TV-40-Dayton-Hamvention-2012&goto=newpost

It's here, AmateurLogic.TV Episode 40, Dayton Hamvention 2012, George and Tommy's Excellent Adventure.

George and Tommy visit Dayton Hamvention 2012 and cover a couple of events you might not normally see, The Icom Dealer Dinner and Top Band Dinner. Special guests: Bob Heil, K9EID(Heil Sound) - Gordon West, WB6NOA(GordonWestRadioSchool.com) - Ray Novak, N9JA(Icom) - Tim Duffy, K3LR(Contest University) - Tom Medlin, W5KUB(W5KUB.com) - John Davis, WB4QDX(GA D-Star Group) - Jim Wilson, K5ND(Boy Scouts of America) - Julian Frost, N3JF(Ham Nation) - Robin Cutshaw, AA4RC(DV Dongle/DVAP) - Martin Jue, K5FLU(MFJ Enterprises) and more.

Stay tuned to the very end to see what we were laughing so hard about...

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or watch on YouTube at http://youtu.be/l5JRuSX_z3k

1060. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 17:47:22 UTC
From: Yeti <yeti@ayrshore.com>
Message-ID: <9240b1c1-e249-457b-a79e-791c79d39c46@2g2000pbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2727
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

On Jun 16, 4:58 pm, "Jim / m" <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com> wrote:
> > The PRC restricts the import of radio transmitting equipment, other than
> > the temporary import of mobile phones. You need to ask this question of
> > your Chinese embassy. You would need an import licence and my guess is
> > that you will not get one.
>
> yes they are a bunch of scumbags.......I tried to send a faulty twin sim
> mobile phone back to chinky land but the post office said I
> couldn't......hate everything about China.......we should boycott their
> junk.......

You made the mistake of saying it was a mobile phone. You should have
put "toy".

1061. The ARRL Letter for June 21, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 22:07:11 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120621184151.5211C2774A@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2728
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Letter

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==> + ARRL FIELD DAY: ARRL FIELD DAY IS THIS WEEKEND: ARE YOU READY?

Tens of thousands of Amateur Radio operators will be firing up portable radio stations from unexpected locations this weekend for ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>. On June 23-24, more than 35,000 hams are expected to operate from parks, malls, schools and. yes, fields, around the country. Field Day is the climax of the week-long Amateur Radio Week sponsored by the ARRL. As of June 19, more than 20 states and countless cities and towns have issued proclamations thanking and supporting the hams for their community service work. Looking for a Field Day location? Check out the Field Day Locator <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator>. Find information for media and the general public here <http://www.arrl.org/2012FieldDay>. Find

information for radio amateurs and participants here <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator>. Check the ARRL Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org> and the ARRL Twitter feed <http://twitter.com/arrl> throughout Field Day weekend for live updates.

==> ARRL FIELD DAY: W1AW ANNOUNCES 2012 FIELD DAY BULLETIN SCHEDULE

Stations active during ARRL Field Day -- June 23-24 -- are eligible to receive 100 bonus points for copying the special Field Day bulletin transmitted by W1AW (or K6KPH on the West Coast). You must include an accurate copy of the message in your Field Day submission. The Field Day bulletin must be copied via Amateur Radio; it will not be included in Internet bulletins sent out from Headquarters and will not be posted to Internet BBS sites.

W1AW will operate on the regularly published frequencies. The special PSK31 bulletin will be transmitted on the regular W1AW digital frequencies:

- CW frequencies: 1.8025, 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975, 21.0675, 28.0675 and 147.555 MHz.
- Digital frequencies (includes PSK31 and MFSK16) using 45.45-baud Baudot: 3597.5, 7.095, 14.095, 18.1025, 21.095, 28.095 and 147.555 MHz.
- Phone frequencies: 1.855, 3.990, 7.290, 14.290, 18.160, 21.390, 28.590 and 147.555 MHz.

The Maritime Radio Historical Society's K6KPH will transmit the 2012 W1AW Field Day message for the benefit of West Coast stations on 3.5815, 7.0475, 14.0475, 18.0975 and 21.0675 MHz, CW only. The frequencies for K6KPH Digital (RTTY, BPSK31 MFSK16 and FEC AMTOR) will be 7.095 and 14.095 MHz. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-2012-field-day-bulletin-schedule> for the complete schedule.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN THE CLASSROOM: ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES RESOURCE GRANTS FOR 11 SCHOOLS

In June, the ARRL Executive Committee reviewed grant applications for the ARRL's Education & Technology Program (ETP), awarding equipment and resources valued at nearly $16,000 to 11 schools. More than 590 schools across the country have received support from the ETP in the form of grants for equipment, curriculum and resources, as well as teacher in-service training through the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology. Applications for equipment and resource grants are accepted twice each year; application deadlines are May 1 and November 1. A central goal of the ETP is to develop a foundation of wireless technology literacy among America's teachers and students. It employs Amateur Radio to explore radio science and electronics and provide hands-on activities that engage students' minds and imaginations, opening doorways into math, science and technology curriculum topics, as well as other core curriculum areas such as geography and language

arts. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-executive-committee-approves-resource-grants-for-11-schools>.

==> + 2011 ARRL ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE

The ARRL Annual Report for 2011 -- now available online -- reviews the major events of the year and documents the renewed growth of both the ARRL and the activities of the Amateur Radio Service. For the fifth consecutive year, ARRL membership grew -- totaling 157,813 members at year end.

According to ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, Amateur Radio is flourishing: "Despite challenges on many fronts, Amateur Radio and the ARRL were in better shape at the end of 2011 than at the beginning. In September, we reached a milestone in amateur licensing, with 700,000 individuals licensed by the FCC, and reached 702,056 at the end of December, up .86 percent for the year." Sumner noted that ARRL membership also grew at .86 percent, exactly the same rate as the licensing numbers. "While membership is still short of its all-time high, we have achieved five straight years of growth, straight through the recession," he said. "This record of success is testimony to the professionalism of our membership staff as well as to the diligent efforts of everyone, volunteer and staff alike, who contributes every day to a positive image of the ARRL in the Amateur Radio community." Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/2011-arrl-annual-report-now-available>.

==> + GETTING LICENSED: NEW AMATEUR EXTRA CLASS QUESTION POOL EFFECTIVE JULY 1

The new Amateur Extra class (Element 4) question pool
<http://www.ncvec.org/page.php?id=358> -- released by the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC
<http://www.ncvec.org/>) in January 2012 -- becomes effective on Sunday, July 1. The current Amateur Extra class pool expires on June 30, 2012 and cannot be used after that date. This new question pool -- including graphics and diagrams -- will remain valid until June 30, 2016. The new Amateur Extra pool contains 702 questions, from which 50 are selected for an Element 4 examination. As of June 13, three questions -- E1D09, E2A14 and E6E10 -- have been removed
<http://www.arrl.org/withdrawn-questions> from the new pool. The current Technician class question pool
<http://www.ncvec.org/page.php?id=349> that became effective July 1, 2010 is valid through June 30, 2014. The current General class pool
<http://www.ncvec.org/page.php?id=350> that became effective July 1, 2011 is valid until June 30, 2015.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL UHF/MICROWAVE BAND PLAN COMMITTEE SEEKS COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 23 CM BAND PLAN

<http://www.arrl.org/images/view/News/Proposed23cmBandPlan.jpg> Last winter, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the Amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. The excellent level of response provided us with the basis to complete drafts of the 9 cm, 13 cm and 33 cm revised band plans for ARRL Board approval. The Committee has now prepared for your consideration a draft band plan for 23 cm (1240-1300 MHz), the final band on its assigned list. Please look over the accompanying draft and let us know if you have any major concerns. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-uhf-microwave-band-plan-committee-seeks-comments-on-proposed-23-cm-band-plan>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC DOWNGRADES HAWAIIAN HAM'S LICENSE

On June 18, the FCC issued an Order of Modification <http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2012/db0619/DA-12-961A1.pdf>, modifying the license class of Todd Wilson, WH6DWF, of Honolulu, Hawaii, from General to Technician. This stems from an Order Proposing Modification released in March 2012 <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-modify-hawaiian-ham-s-license> where the FCC stated <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-12-408A1.pdf> that granting General class Amateur Radio operator privileges to Wilson was "improper." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-downgrades-hawaiian-ham-s-license>.

==> YASME FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES AWARDS, EXPANDED LIST OF ELIGIBLE CALL SIGNS

The Yasme Foundation <http://www.yasme.org/> currently offers two awards. The Yasme Award, in the form of a handsome plaque, is offered to those radio amateurs who submit proof of 30 QSOs with Yasme officials and DXpeditions that have at least one Yasme official as a participant. The Yasme Supreme Award is in the form of a representation of the YASME boat used by Danny Weil in his around-the-world DXpedition. It is available to those who submit proof of 60 QSOs with YASME officials and DXpeditions with a Yasme official as a participant. These awards are available to qualifying applicants at no cost. After a year-long evaluation of the rules, the Yasme Board of Directors has revised the rules for those call signs that may be used to qualify for the two awards, with many new ones added to the list. The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in underdeveloped countries. -- Thanks to the Yasme Foundation for the information

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "It's brighter than sunshine <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q536JTSe40M>" Cook, K7RA, reports:

Sunspot numbers seemed to be in a free-fall this week: The average daily sunspot numbers declined more than 29 points to 87, while the average daily solar flux fell 6.2 points to 126.2. The outlook for Field Day weekend -- June 22-23 -- is for low sunspot numbers and quiet geomagnetic conditions. The predicted daily solar flux is just 90 for June 21-28, 125 on June 29-July 7, then 130, 135 and 140 on July 8-10, and then rising to 145 on July 11-12. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on June 21-29, then 8 on June 30, 15 on July 1-3, 8 on July 4-5, 5 on July 6-7, 8 on July 8-9, and back down to 5 on July 10-14. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, June 22. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Aqualung's Brighter than Sunshine <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aqualung_%28musician%29>.

==> + NEW SECTION MANAGER APPOINTED IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Chris Stallkamp, W0ADZ, of Selby, South Dakota, has been appointed as the South Dakota Section Manager, effective June 15. ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with Dakota Division Director Greg Widin, K0GW, and with the recommendation of outgoing South Dakota Section Manager Scott Rausch, WA0VKC. Rausch, of Piedmont, has served as South Dakota Section Manager since April 2009. He decided not to run for a new two-year term of office that was scheduled to begin on April 1. After a re-solicitation for nominations this spring did not result in any potential candidates, Stallkamp was then appointed to take the Section Manager reins from Rausch. Stallkamp's appointment extends until March 31, 2014. Stallkamp has been a radio amateur since 2006, and is a member of the Black Hills Amateur Radio Club. Interest in Amateur Radio runs in his family: Both his mother Margaret, KA0BEB, and father Lloyd, KA0ADZ, of Havre, Montana, are also licensed Amateur Radio operators.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- June 23-24 -- ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday>; His Majesty King of Spain Contest (SSB); Marconi Memorial HF Contest; Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest
- June 27 -- SKCC Sprint
- June 27-28 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- July 1 -- RAC Canada Day Contest; WAB 144 MHz Low Power Contest (Phone)
- July 2-8 -- 10-10 International Spirit of '76 QSO Party
- July 3 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- July 5 -- Michigan QRP July 4th CW Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electronics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012 <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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1062. eHam.net News for Thursday 21 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-21 22:42:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed71333104c3033c28@google.com>
Source record: 2729
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Merit Badge 'Doubleheader':

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 04:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28506

Preparedness was the theme of the day as over 212 Boy Scouts from three states came together this month for the annual Radio Merit Badge program at Ham-Com 2012 (June 8-9), the state's largest Amateur Radio convention in Plano, Texas.

1063. Re: List of comm frequencies in People's Republic of China?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 00:00:25 UTC
From: "Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <qAOEr.200148$MP5.189484@fx27.am4>
Source record: 2730
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.shortwave

"Yeti" <yeti@ayrshore.com> wrote in message
news:9240b1c1-e249-457b-a79e-791c79d39c46@2g2000pbv.googlegroups.com...
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>put "toy".

Or a Chinese Junk ....

1064. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 21 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 02:30:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8ff1c900a6d3dd04c3066a3a@google.com>
Source record: 2731
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Club to hold demonstration of emergency ... - Conway Daily Sun

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 03:45 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHr0tee5GXA_JC7_jaJB89N0JYJIA&url=http://www.conwaydailysun.com/index.php/community/organizationsclubs/90946-amateur-radio-club-to-hold-demonstration-of-emergency-communications-at-tin-mountain

North Texas e-News
Amateur Radio Club to hold demonstration of emergency ...
Conway Daily Sun
They invite the public to come and see ham radios new capabilities and learn how to get their own FCC radio license before the next disaster strikes. Amateur ...
Ham radio event is this weekendBurlington Times News
TEMECULA: Field Day event instructs on ham radioNorth County Times
Ham Radio Field Day Shows Versatility June 23-24West Kentucky Star
Lakenewsonline.com -Inyo Register -Statesville Record & Landmark
all 124 news articles

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Public invited to join Hernando amateur radio field days - Tampabay.com

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 03:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHNrwD6iayFXLjCWcEp_Z_neaPl5A&url=http://www.tampabay.com/news/briefs/public-invited-to-join-hernando-amateur-radio-field-days/1236581

Public invited to join Hernando amateur radio field days
Tampabay.com
The Spring Hill Amateur Radio Club and Hernando County Amateur Radio Association will participate in the annual National Field Day for Amateur Radio from 2 ...

and more

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Learn how ham radio can help in a disaster - Hometownlife.com

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 03:54 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGTY9YlcFMYapqU7supruw-8I0WEw&url=http://www.hometownlife.com/article/20120621/NEWS08/206210526

Learn how ham radio can help in a disaster
Hometownlife.com
Local city officials will also be there to acknowledge the benefits amateur (ham) radio offers the community in the event of a disaster or other emergency.

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Amateur radio operators join national Field Day - Victoria Advocate

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 04:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGaJLlKq1LjnI1zFL4vdUJ83leLJA&url=http://www.victoriaadvocate.com/news/2012/jun/20/mc_ham_radio_062112_179797/?business%26local-business

Amateur radio operators join national Field Day
Victoria Advocate
Victoria amateur radio operators will join more than 35000 others across the U.S. and Canada on Saturday for the annual Ham Radio Field Day.

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Saturday: Ham radio demo in Portola Valley - The Almanac Online

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 09:41 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEO87vvmTgbakEr0dmfa8uG8echYg&url=http://www.almanacnews.com/news/show_story.php?id%3D11472

Saturday: Ham radio demo in Portola Valley
The Almanac Online
Ham radio operators, with a little electricity, can reach outside town. ... a.m. and 5 p.m. and in communication with amateur radio operators around the country.

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Tri-States Amateur Radio Club hosting Amateur Radio Field Day - walkermessenger

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 11:55 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGKtqJPKN3Bf3K-T5zkUhROaXPnWQ&url=http://www.walkermessenger.com/view/full_story/19036744/article-Tri-States-Amateur-Radio-Club-hosting-Amateur-Radio-Field-Day?instance%3Dsecondary_stories_left_column

Tri-States Amateur Radio Club hosting Amateur Radio Field Day
walkermessenger
The Tri-States Amateur Radio Club (TSARC) will participate in the nationwide Amateur Radio Field Day event on the fourth weekend in June at fire station 1 in ...

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Area ham radio operators gather for 'Field Day' - Fulton Sun

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 04:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF77SqQs5FmjeD2cLYpZt83Cy6IQw&url=http://www.fultonsun.com/news/2012/jun/21/area-ham-radio-operators-gather-field-day/

Area ham radio operators gather for Field Day
Fulton Sun
The Callaway Amateur Radio League is showcasing several ham radios in the display window of the Callaway Bank this week in honor of its “Field Day” event ...

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Amateur Radio Field Day is this weekend - Goochland Gazette

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 11:45 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH5iZzO-CEVtGoTkWOrfLvfeCDWEg&url=http://www.goochlandgazette.com/index.php/news/article/amateur_radio_field_day_is_this_weekend/27637/

Amateur Radio Field Day is this weekend
Goochland Gazette
Amateur Radio Field Day is this weekend. Published: June 20, 2012. image. Photo by Ken Odor Ralph Fetty, left, and fellow ham operator Mat Long examine the ...

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Newton, McPherson ham radio clubs to test skills this weekend - Newton Kansan

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 02:13 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEAYGZ3TZvD88dZSMcPKBwhqz3W_g&url=http://www.thekansan.com/news/x681121541/Newton-McPherson-ham-radio-clubs-to-test-skills-this-weekend

Newton, McPherson ham radio clubs to test skills this weekend
Newton Kansan
The group wishes to invite the public to come and see ham radios new ... It is a time where many aspects of Amateur Radio come together to highlight its many ...

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Ham radio fans to have field day June 23, 24 - NorthFulton.com

Posted: 20 Jun 2012 10:27 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG0qB4CY6uffBWjSwpW1uL_yleowg&url=http://www.northfulton.com/Articles-TOP-STORIES-c-2012-06-20-193791.114126-sub-Ham-radio-fans-to-have-field-day-June-23-24.html

NorthFulton.com
Ham radio fans to have field day June 23, 24
NorthFulton.com
Field Day is an annual event nationwide for amateur (ham) radio enthusiasts to show their skills at communicating by radio. Hundreds of clubs are involved ...

1065. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1340344801@panix.com>
Source record: 2732
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1066. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1340345100@panix.com>
Source record: 2733
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1067. who has some competencies in rivers ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 07:30:50 UTC
From: dora <doraprichnichikova@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <49a3be6@reader.news.ett.com.ua>
Source record: 2734

Dear all,

After analyzing rivers, it is urgent to troubleshoot the design of the water
wisely;
I should also mention that someone may extend the work to the data analysis of the water
separately
tchao

1068. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1819 - June 22 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 09:00:12 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120622090003.CF79533C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2735
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1819 - June 22 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1819 with a release date of June 22, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. U-K hams learn that they will have to share two meters with the 2012 Olympics; the I-A-R-U High Frequency Championship to take place in July; German hams get spectrum at 472 KHz and Radio Netherlands to cease English language broadcasts. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1819 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: UK HAMS TO SHARE 2 METERS WITH OLYMPICS

Ham radio operators in London will be temporarily giving up a part of the 2 meter band to accommodate the 2012 Olympic Games. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, reports from Nottingham in the UK:

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British telecommunications regulator Ofcom has announced that a small block of the amateur radio 144 MHz band is to be used for the London 2012 Summer Olympic Games.

The RSGB have issued the following announcement: Following negotiations to minimize the impact on amateurs, Ofcom has now announced that it will temporarily authorize a small block of 12.5kHz channels, ranging from 144.0125MHz to 144.1375MHz, for the period 27 July to 28 August 2012 only.

The frequencies to be used specifically exclude 144.0500MHz the CW Calling frequency and 144.1000MHz which is the Perseids Meteor Scatter CW Calling channel.

Ofcom are aware of the various amateur contests scheduled for 4 and 7 August and will work with Game users to keep operations to a minimum on these dates.

Usage of this spectrum by Games users will be in the vicinity of London Olympic venues and will be limited to handheld equipment operating on a maximum of 5W output.

I'm Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.

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Ofcom emphasizes that use of primary amateur spectrum is only for the specified time period and does not constitute a change of usage. More is on line on the RSGB 2012 Olympic Pages at www.rsgb.org/olympics. (RSGB)

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RADIOSPORTS: IARU HF CHAMPIONSHIP ON JULY 14 - 15

The International Amateur Radio Union sponsored High Frequency World Championship 2012 will take place beginning 1200 UTC on Saturday July 14th and ending 1200 UTC on Sunday July 15th. The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU member society Headquarters stations, around the world as possible. This, using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands. The rules for this year are available on line at tinyurl.com/iaru-hf-championship. (XE1R, IARU-R2)

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RESTRUCTURING: GERMAN CLASS A HAMS GET 472 KHZ PRIVILEGES

German amateurs with a Class A license are now allowed to operate in the new 472 to 479 kHz band. The power limit is 1 watt effective radiated with a maximum signal bandwidth of 800Hz. (GB2RS)

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RADIO POLITICS: UAE GOVERNMENT REGULATOR MEETS WITH NATIONAL HAM RADIO SOCIERT

The Emirates Amateur Radio Society has met with the United Arab Emirates Telecommunications Regulatory Authority or T-R-A. This to discuss amateur radio issues.

According to news reports, the meeting shed light on Emirates Amateur Radio Society perspectives related to regulations for radio communications amateurs issued by the T-R-A. This included amateur radio authorizations, frequencies used by U-A-E hams, the mechanism of authorizing visitors and residents to operate in that nation, and cooperation and coordination between the two groups during various activities. The two sides also discussed ways to utilize ham radio to support governmental entities while performing public service activities and at international competitions throughout the year.

At that gathering, the T-R-A stated that the United Arab Emirates is a country concerned with providing various types of communications to users including radio communications. It said that meeting with a specialized entity such as the society is highly important in order to promote radio communications in the country. It added that this meeting garners further significance especially when it takes into consideration that the United Arab Eemirates is a country that hosts numerous desert sports activities and competitions. This it says makes

radio communications a key issue particularly with regard to cases of accidents, disasters, or being lost in the desert.

The meeting took place at the TRA headquarters in Abu Dhabi and brought to light a number of issues related to radio communications. The full report of the meeting in English can be read at tinyurl.com/uae-hams. (Southgate News)

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PROPAGATION: DOUBLE CME HITS EARTH CAUSING AURORAS

SpaceWeather reports that a geomagnetic storm occured in the wake of the Suns double Coronal Mass Ejection or C-M-E impact on June 16. The hit, which strongly compressed Earth's magnetic field, lit up both poles with bright auroras.

Here in the United States and Canada, the Northern Lights descended as far south as Oregon, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Washington state and the Dakotas. And as ham radio operators know, this C-M-E also made for some rather interesting conditions on the air, especially on 50 Mhz and above. (SpaceWeather.com)

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TECHNOLOGY: PHASE MODULATION TESTS ON WWVB

The National Institute of Standards and Technology or N-I-S-T is currently testing phase modulation in addition to the existing amplitude modulation on time standard station WWVB. The AM signal continues while the phase modulation is tested, so there should not be any interruption in service to existing AM devices. However, the NIST warns that phase-locked loop devices AM devices may lose signal lock at times during the tests. The experiment will end prior to the June 30th leap second correction. Questions or comments can be forwarded to WWVB Broadcast Manager John Lowe by e-mail at john (dot) lowe (at) nist (dot) gov. (WB5ITT)

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BANDPLANNING: COMMENTS SOUGHT ON PROPOSED 23 CM BANDPLAN

Rick Roderick K5UR, who chairs the ARRL UHF and Microwave Band Plan Committee is asking for input on the new proposed amateur 23 cm bandplan. K5UR requests that the ham radio community look over the draft band plan and let him know if you have any major concerns, You can see and download the proposed plan at tinyurl.com/23-cm-plan. Comments go by e-mail to microwave-band-plan (at) arrl (dot) org. (ARRL, Southgate)

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RADIO LAW: COMMUNICATIONS TOWER LIGHTS NOW FOR THE BIRDS

Federal Aviation Administration officials have decided that operators of tall towers may turn off one type of warning light that may be a cause of bird collisions, and do so without endangering those flying aircraft.

According to news reports federal wildlife researchers found migratory birds get disoriented by steady red warning lights. As a result the FAA has determined it may be okay to turn those off because they claim that pilots can still see towers at night using flashing red warning lights.

Federal wildlife researchers and some conservationists claim that close to 7 million migrating birds die each year when they hit communications towers in the United States and Canada. Broadcasters and other tower owners doubt the number is that high. They point to counter research collated by the FCC that says more birds die from cats and flying into structures such as high rise building windows.

The FCC hasn't made the new light scheme mandatory but officials said recently they would honor the change. You may recall that back last December, the commission began requiring formal public notice and requiring for new towers taller than 450 feet. Also required is an environmental assessment of the potential impact of a new tower on migratory birds. (RW)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W8HVG repeater serving all of southern Michigan.

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RADIO LAW: FCC CORRECTS LICENSE CLASS PAPERWORK ERROR

The FCC has modified the Amateur Radio Service license of Todd Wilson, WH6DWF, of Honolulu, Hawaii. This by replacing his General Class operator privileges with Technician Class operator privileges.

No, Wilson did nothing wrong. Rather he was the innocent victim of a clerical error by the ARRL VEC. Heres the back story.

By correspondence dated January 13, 2012, the ARRL VEC notified the Commission that it had made an error in the November 29, 2011 data file and that Wilson was qualified for a Technician Class operator license but not a General Class. Therefore, ARRL VEC requested that the FCC modify Wilson's license to correct the operator privileges authorized.

The Order of Modification was released on March 15, 2012. Wilson did not protest the proposed modification of his license within the requisite thirty-day time frame. Accordingly, he is deemed to have

consented to the proposed modification. Based on the record before it, on June 19th the FCC concluded that it is in the pubic interest to modify the license for Amateur Radio Service Station WH6DWF by changing the authorized operating privileges from General Class to Technician Class. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER UNLICENSED FLORIDA ISSUED $15000 NAL

The Tampa FCC Office has issued a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Albert R. Knighten, Jr.. This for apparently willfully and repeatedly violating Section 301 of the Communications by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 107.5 MHz from his residence in Fort Myers, Florida. Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, has the details:

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On December 1st and 9th, 2011, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Office T-hunted a signal on 107.5 MHz to an FM transmitting antenna mounted on a tower at Knighten's residence. Agents also determined that the signals on 107.5 MHz exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's rules and therefore required a license.

On December 9, 2011, local law enforcement executed a search warrant for the premises. At that time agents from the FCC Tampa Office interviewed Knighten who was present in his residence when the station was on the air. During the interview Knighten admitted to purchasing and installing the radio equipment. He also claimed to be the sole person operating the unlicensed station and had been doing so for over a month. The FCC agents also inspected the unlicensed radio station before the equipment was seized by local law enforcement.

Now in issuing the Notice of Apparent Liability, the FCC says that because Knighten consciously operated the station and on more than one day, the apparent violation of the Communications Act was both willful and repeated. As such, and based on the evidence before it, that a $15,000 penalty is warranted.

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Knighten was given the customary 30 days to pay the $15,000 N-A-L or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: INCOMPLETE PAPERWORK LEADS TO $10000 FINE FOR NYC COLLEGE STATION

Columbia University in New York City has been issued a $10,000 Monetary Forfeiture based on documents missing from the public inspection file of its non-commercial station WKCR- FM. Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred

Vobbe, W8HDU, is here with the details":

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The case is unusual because WKCR stated on its renewal application that since its transmission facilities on the World Trade Center had been destroyed on 9/11, the station has faced operating difficulties. As such, it has been transmitting from various temporary locations and with a reduced coverage area.

According to several media reports, Columbia University was totally truthful on its license renewal application. It admitted that WKCR's public file was incomplete. It said the quarterly issues and program lists were not missing deliberately but inadvertently.

However in rendering its decision, the FCC said the missing files occurred over the entire eight-year period of the license grant. This, included a four-year period before its transmitting facilities were destroyed. As such, the regulatory agency stated that WKCR's violations we both serious and displayed a pattern of abuse of the FCC's rules. Because of this, the station came close to having its license renewal granted for a short term period. However the Media Bureau decided not to take that route because WKCR is due to file its next renewal application February 1, 2014.

In the end. the Commission decided that overall WKCR has served the public interest during its license term. That's why it will grant the renewal separately once the forfeiture proceeding is concluded.

For the amateur radio Newsline, Im Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, in Lima, Ohio.

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Columbia University was given the customary 30 days from the date the FCC decision was rendered to pay the penalty or to file an appeal. (RW, FCC)

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RADIO LAW: SCRAP METAL THEFT BECOME A FELONY IN FLORIDA

It's about to get a lot more difficult harder to sell a stolen piece of transmission line or any form of purloined metal in Florida. This as the state severely tightens regulations on how scrap metal dealers operate their businesses in that state. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reports:

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The new rules that go into effect on July 1st make stealing copper from a utility or communications services provider a Florida state first-degree felony. This translates into the possibility of a thief being sentenced to a 30-year prison sentence and a $10,000 fine. The law also makes knowingly purchasing stolen metals a third-degree

felony, which could mean five years in prison and a $5,000 fine for the purchaser.

But the change likely to have the greatest influence on copper theft is the banning of cash payments for scrap metal. Under the new law all payments must be made by check or an electronic payment system, and payment may be delayed by up to three days.

All scrap-metal dealers will have to be registered with the state, and dealers will be required to keep better records of all purchases, including photographs of the material bought. If they purchase an item with a serial number on it, the dealer will have to check a state database to make sure the item has not been reported stolen.

As to the perpetrators of such thefts, the new law waives civil liability for property owners if someone is injured or killed while trying to steal copper or other regulated materials. In other words a thief or a surviving relative of the thief will not be permitted to file a law suit trying to hold those who own the stolen metals responsible for the perpetrators injuries or death.

Florida Governor Rick Scott signed the bill into law at the end of April.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Copper theft has been an increasing problem for broadcasters, power companies and other industries that use these metals. This is particularly true for those located at remote and unattended sites. Even ham radio operators have in the past years reported theft of antenna transmission lines. (CGC, RW)

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: SUPERANTENNA RETURNS TO THE HAM RADIO MARKETPLACE

SuperAntenna Corporation, maker of the legendary MP1 Portable Antenna and YP3 Portable Yagi, is back in business.

Super Antenna was begun in 2000 by Vern Wright, W6MMA. As some of you may know, the company ceased operations a few years ago to sort out what it termed as legal issues.

On June 18th Super Antenna issued a press release stating that the new company has already begun shipping the MP1 portable antenna and the YP3 portable yagi. Both it claims have been re-engineered to a higher standard of performance.

Super Antenna has also announced a new web site where hams radio operators can get information on Super Antenna products. Its in cyberspace at www.newsuperantenna.com. (Via e-mail)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAMS IN BROADCASTING VOIP GROUP

Hams in Broadcasting is a new on-line V-O-I-P group that connects those in the broadcasting industry with one another world-wide. The system interconnects IRLP conference bridge 9615, Echolink conference 96150 and Allstar Node 27405 for 24 hour a day communication and chatting between hams who are in the broadcast field. For more information on the "Hams in Broadcast" conference bridge, take a look at tinyurl.com/ar-conference-bridge

Also of note are two nets that meet on the bridge. Every Sunday night at 8:00 PM Eastern there is a general "Hams in Broadcast Net." It is usually hosted by Bruce Schiller, WA2ZST, who works for the CBS network in New York City.

There also is a twice a month "SBE Hams on the Air" net. More information on that gathering is at tinyurl.com/broadcasters-voip (Hams in Broadcasting)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMSAT 2012 SYMPOSIUM INFORMATION UPDATE

The 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium will be held in Orlando, Florida on the weekend of October 26th to the 28th. This at the Holiday Inn Orlando Airport Hotel.

The Symposium weekend will feature sessions on various ham radio satellites, operating techniques, news and plans from the amateur satellite world. Also taking place will be the annual Board of Directors Meeting, the annual General Membership Meeting and banquet.

For the latest updates please bookmark tinyurl.com/amsat-symposium-2012 (2012 Symposium Committee)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W0ADZ APPOINTED NEW SOUTH DAKOTA SM

Some names in the news. Chris Stallkamp, W0ADZ, has been appointed as ARRL South Dakota Section Manager, effective June 15.

ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment in consultation with Dakota Division Director Greg Widin, K0GW, and with the recommendation of outgoing South Dakota Section Manager Scott Rausch, WA0VKC.

Rausch had served as South Dakota Section Manager since April 2009. He decided not to run for another term of office that was scheduled to begin on April 1st. After a re-solicitation for nominations this spring did not result in any potential candidates, Stallkamp was then appointed to take the Section Manager reins from Rausch. Stallkamp's appointment extends until March 31, 2014. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VA7MPG ELECTED RAC SM OF BC AND YUKON SECTION

And congratulations to Paul Giffin, VA7MPG who was recently elected Section Manager for Radio Amateurs of Canada's British Columbia and Yukon Section Manager. This, for the balance of his appointed term that ends October 30, 2013. VA7MPG ran unopposed eliminating the need for a balloted election. (RAC)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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WORLDBEAT: RADIO NETHERLANDS WORLDWIDE TO CEASE ENGLISH LANGUAGE BROADCASTS ON JUNE 29TH

Radio Netherlands English service will closes down at the end of June. According to the International broadcaster, the decision to curtail English language transmissions on June 29th is the result of steep budget cuts imposed by the Dutch government and a concomitant change in focus of the station. As such, providing the world with what it terms as a realistic image of the Netherlands, as it has done since 1947, will no longer be one of its statutory duties.

According to the stations website, as of July 1st there will no longer be a daily review of the Dutch papers and coverage of Dutch news stories will also cease. And, since the English webstream will also end on June 29th, there will be a Listening Guide posted or mailed out.

For its final English language transmission on June 29th, Radio Netherlands plans to broadcast a show looking back at the past decades of its service. Its asking listeners who may have a memory to share to sent that by e-mail to letters (at) rnw (dot) nl.

The shut down of the long popular Radio Netherlands English language transmissions follow the closure of the Dutch service in May. More is on-line at www.rnw.nl/english/article/were-changing (RNW)

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MAKING WAVES: HAM RADIO TEST CRUISE OF OH10X/MM ON BALTIC SEA.

Radio Arcala, the massive ham radio contest station that operates as OH8X near the Arctic Circle in association with Kristina Cruises Ltd. are in the process of testing to see if a permanent amateur radio station will suit the maritime environment and serve DX'ers in their

leisure time.

The ship used for the first evaluation held June 20th to the 24th was the M/S Kristina Katarina which is owned by a private Finnish company. The onboard ham radio station consisted of an Icom IC-7600 on the top deck. The antenna was a 20 meter long wire fed by a remote antenna tuner.

The first run that was to ascertain any potential interference issues from the amateur radio station to the ship's navigation system. Also to see the impact from the ship's advanced P-C networks to the reception of amateur radio transmissions.

During the test cruise, the station was to be active at the peak propagation hours to various continents on 14.267 MHz. The test cruise took the ship to Estonia, Gotland, Sweden, the Aland Islands, and back to Finland.

In addition to the technical evaluation, famed DXer Martti Laine, OH2BH, was on-board with a target to contact all continents. This to celebrate the signing a possible permanent agreement for the station to be available for guests who hold an amateur radio license.

The M/S Kristina Katarina is a 138 meter long vessel. It has a cruising speed of 15 knots and can hold a maximum of 450 guests. Two Finnair jetliners were available backing the operations for change of passengers at a variety of ports along the way.

For more details on this interesring ham radio cruise evaluation, please take your web browser to www.qrz.com/db/OH10X. Information on the cruise line is at tinyurl.com/ham-cruise. (Radio Arcala)

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WORLDBEAT: SARL AND ICASA WORKING TOWARD CEPT LIKE VISITORS LICENSE

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa, better known as the ICASA and the South African Radio League are in negotiations to create a CEPT like ham radio license that is universally accepted. In the meantime, the telecommunications regulator says that visitors to South Africa who hold a valid amateur radio license in a Southern African Development Community recognized country may apply for temporary authorization to operate in South Africa. A copy of his or her license and the period to be spent in South Africa, must be presented.

All requests go by e-mail to KMashile (at) icasa (dot) org (dot) za as well as admin (at) sarl (at) org (dot) za. The turn around time for applications will be approximately 48 hours.

According to Wikipedia, The Southern African Development Community is an inter-governmental organization headquartered in Gaborone, Botswana. Its goal is to further socio-economic cooperation and integration as well as political and security cooperation among 15 southern African

states. It complements the role of the African Union. (SARL)

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ON THE AIR: CYPRUS AND THE EUROPEAN UNION PRESIDENCY

To commemorate the first time that Cyprus will hold the European Union presidency, a the Cyprus Amateur Radio Society have been granted the use of the callsign P-3-E-U for a six month period that expires on December 31st. Using that call sign, club members will host a 24 hour special event operation on July 1st on the High Frequency bands using SSB and CW for the 24 hour event. For the duration of the 6 months of Cyprus holding the presidency club members will be active using the P-3-E-U call on all modes on the High Frequency and VHF bands. A special QSL card will be available. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: K4O CELEBRATES PUERTO RICO FLAG BEARING IN THE LONDON OLYMPICS

On Sunday July 1st 2012, the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee will be celebrating the Flag Bearing of the Puerto Rico Delegation to the Summer Olympic Games in London. To commemorate the event, the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League will be operating special event station K-4-Oh from the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee headquarters. Actual hours of operation will be 9:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m. on June 30th and 9 a.m to 2 p.m. on July 1st. Both are local Puerto Rico time. More information on this operation is on-line at www.prarl.org. (PRARL)

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In DX, K6ZRH will be on the air portable DU1 from Palawan Island through June 30th. His operation will be on 40, 20 and 15 meters using SSB. QSL this one also direct only to his home call.

K9EL was on the air as FS/K9EL from St. Martin until June 24th. His operation was holiday style on 80 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. If you worked him, QSL to his call book address.

PE1GU will be active as PA6FUN from Ameland Island between July 30th and August 15th. His operation will be on 6 meters only. Modes have not been announced. QSL via PE1GUR, either direct or via the bureau.

ON4QX, will be operational portable P4 from Aruba through July 2nd. Activity will probably be on all High Frequency bands mostly using RTTY. QSL via ON4QX.

An international team of operators plan to visit five islands belonging to Papua New Guinea between October 19th and November 4th. Some of the islands to host their operations include Emirau, Simberi, and Lihir. As we go to air no bands, frequencies or a QSL Manager has been announced.

Lastly, in celebration of the 30th anniversary of the first operation from the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, a group of hams will take to the air using the call sign 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato. Their operation will be from July 1st to the 4th on all of the High Frequency bands plus 6 meters. QSLs for contacts with 1A0C can be requested via 1A0Z.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE 12TH USA ARDF CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

And finally this week, a hidden transmitter hunt in California has drawn radio direction finding fans from around the country. Newsline's Joe Moell (MELL) K-zero-O-V, who is also the ARRL's ARDF Coordinator, tells us all about it.

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Fans of on-foot transmitter hunting gathered in the little village of Mt. Laguna, California early this month for the twelfth annual USA championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding, or ARDF. They came from nine states plus British Columbia, Canada to see who would win the medals and who would be selected to go to the World Championships in Serbia this September. One quarter of them had never been to a national championship foxhunt before.

The big event was sponsored by the Los Angeles Orienteering Club and was organized and hosted by Marvin Johnston KE6HTS. With lots of volunteer help, Marvin set out two challenging championship courses in the forested mountains at 6000 feet elevation, one on two meters and the other on 80 meters, on the weekend of June 1 and 2. In accordance with standard rules of the International Amateur Radio Union, the participants were divided into eleven age and gender categories, so the ones in their 70's didn't have to compete against prime-agers for the gold.

The championship courses were over six kilometers from start to each of the five transmitters and then to the finish. In addition, there was a sprint event to see who could find ten lower-powered transmitters fastest. There was also a foxoring event. That's a new sport that combines orienteering and direction-finding. Competitors were given a map marked with ten circles. When they got inside the area represented by each circle, they could hear a QRP 80-meter transmitter and track it down with RDF. The first to get all ten would win. Before these events, there was a two-day training camp on Wednesday and Thursday, with full-size courses on two meters and 80-meters.

When it was all over, 13 OMs and 6 YLs had received medals to take home with them. For the complete results and photos of these championships, point your Web browser to homingin.com. That's homingin -- as one word --homingin.com. That's also a good place to learn more about bringing on-foot foxhunting to your locality.

For Amateur Radio Newsline, this is Joe Moell K0OV.

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If you have never been out on a hidden transmitter hunt you are missing one of the most fun aspects of the hobby. If a local club or other group you know of holds these fun events, you might consider joining in and giving it a try. (K0OV)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1069. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 22 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 11:11:16 UTC
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Ham-genuity makes Invisibility Cloak real

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In 2008, Chip Cohen, W1YW invented the first wideband invisibility cloak,
using it to slip stream microwaves from one side of an object to another.
But Harry Potter, aside, where is the 'killer app'?

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Puerto Rico with a record 10 activations for ARRL Field Day

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With a record of ten amateur radio clubs active for Field Day 2012 in the
island of Puerto Rico, all four cardinal points of the island are covered
for this event

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10th Anniversary of OSCAR 7's Return To Life

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The amateur radio satellite OSCAR 7 came back to life 10 years ago on June
21, 2002

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Students build Supercapacitor battery for next ARISSat

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Penn State students have built a state-of-the-art supercapacitor battery
for the next amateur radio ARISSat satellite

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NZ4O Condensed HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

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The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-26 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday June 22, 2012

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Video of 8N3KN ARISS school contact

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On June 6, 2012 Japanese students used amateur radio to talk to astronaut André Kuipers PI9ISS on the International Space Station (ISS)

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Voice of Russia begins U.K. broadcasts

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During a ceremony in June at the Russian Embassy in London, Voice of Russia celebrated the commencement of broadcasts in the United Kingdom

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School prepares for global amateur radio transmission

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The Burton Mail reports that the Eureka Primary School will be using amateur radio to celebrate the 91st anniversary of the Swadlincote Royal British Legion

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Encouraging science, technology, engineering and mathematics

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The Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars (WISH) project is sponsoring two six-day summer camps for rising high school seniors that should feature an Amateur Radio contact

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

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On Sunday 24 June, South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will be active as EI2WRC/p from the Butlerstown and District Vintage Society's 4th Annual Field Day at Orchardstown, Co. Waterford in aid of the Irish Red Cross (Portlaw) and Tramore Coast Guard

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

1070. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 24 2012

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Source record: 2737
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-06-24.mp3
Text edition:

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 24 2012.

VK7RRR - Tasmania's D-Star Repeater is On the Air!

VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24

DJ6SI VS. GREECE - THE COURT DECISION

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 24 2012.

High Power Trial - New LTE Exclusion Area in the Perth Area

As part of on-going discussions with the ACMA by WIA, advice has been
received that a new Long Term Evolution (LTE) trial commenced in Perth
on 1 June in the 700 MHz spectrum segment.

LTE trials are authorised by the ACMA by way of a Scientific Licence to cover
the trial period. The ACMA has advised that no applications from Advanced
licensees for variations to their station licences to operate high power
within a 40 km radius of Midland, Perth would be approved.

Meanwhile, the LTE in the Bendigo region has ended, however the Scientific
Licence that authorises this trial does not expire until September 2012.

(WIA.ORG.AU)

One of the world's most powerful supercomputers is planned for Perth to process vast amounts of data being collected by radio telescopes in Western Australia's Murchison region.

WAToday said the supercomputer is to be housed in the Pawsey Centre being built in the southern Perth suburb of Kensington, near Curtin University.

The machines will initially process data from existing radio telescopes based at the Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory (MRO) but is free to expand for use in the international Square Kilometre Array (SKA) project.

It was decided in May that Australia would share the $2 billion SKA project with South Africa.

3000 dishes and a discovery potential 10,000 times greater than the best contemporary instruments, the SKA will observe such things as what happened after the big bang and how galaxies evolved, and will attempt to uncover more about the "dark matter" that fills the majority of the universe.

watoday.com.au/technology/sci-tech/perth-gears-up-supercomputer-for-ska-20120619-20kx2.html#ixzz1yCfCZu7Z

The ACMA's Spectrum Conference this year saw the ongoing work associated with the Review of 400 MHz spectrum that also includes our 70cm meter allocation.

Currently, the amateur service has a secondary allocation between 420 and 450 MHz. In its last report from the ACMA on the review issued April 2010, they advised that the allocation for the amateur service between 430-450 MHz would not be affected from any rearrangement. They cited, however, a possible need for some temporary use by other services in the segment 440-450 MHz during the transition period.

In the Amateur secondary segment 420-430 MHz, some geographic areas around Australia amateur use has already been withdrawn. At the conference, the ACMA has flagged that they will be seeking consultation with the WIA on withdrawal of the amateur service in this segment across the rest of Australia. The major use of this segment by amateurs is fixed links and the like where the ACMA database lists around 126 assignments across 35 licensees.

It is expected these can be relocated to the 430 - 450 MHz region.

(WIA.ORG.AU)

AUSTRALIA'S MOST WANTED

Request for Information!

Do you know anything about the Althorpe Island Light House wireless communications operations.?

Lighthouses of Australia a volunteer group whose aim is the preservation of Australian Lighthouses is looking for information on this famous Australian lighthouse.

A reliable means of communication with the lighthouse was the driving force behind the establishment of a wireless telegraphy system in the late 1890s. It appears this means of communications was all too hard to set up and a cable was finally laid in about July 1911.

This created its own problems of not being able to send messages after 6 o'clock because the telegraph operator on the mainland had gone home.

It seems that during the Second World War the lighthouse was equipped with a pedal wireless set that enabled them to communicate with Cape Borda Lighthouse and from there, messages were relayed to the mainland -- this was in use into the 1950s.

If anyone can elaborate on what has already been researched or know what type of radio systems were employed, please send it to Ross VK2VVV.

vk2vvv@wia.org.au

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill. It is NOT too late to register for this long running Australian event. Peter Freeman VK3PF says registration closes June 30.

Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania Inc.

http://reast.asn.au/

July Presentation - Pulsars, Black Holes and Atomic Clocks with Jim Palfreyman.

Jim's background is computer science and mathematics and he has just finished his thesis for a Masters in astrophysics. Studying pulsars using the radio telescope at Richmond.

Jim has a passion for accurate time and he assists in looking after the University's hydrogen maser atomic clocks. Jim also owns the old Hobart "Speaking Clock" and keeps it running - and accurate.

This should be a fascinating presentation.

Queen's Domain Clubrooms, July 4 at 7:30pm.

(73, Justin - VK7TW, Secretary)

VK7RRR - Tasmania's D-Star Repeater is On the Air!

VK7RRR is the Southernmost D-Star repeater in the World, and the first (and only) public D-Star repeater in Tasmania. Prior to VK7RRR, Tasmania was the only Australian State or Territory that didn't have at least one D-Star repeater.

VK7RRR uses a DV-RPTR DSP GMSK modem in combination with the DV-RPTR Repeater Controller and ircDDB Gateway software, thus allowing linking with D-Plus/REF, DExtra/XRF and x-Net/DCS reflectors worldwide.

VK7RRR operates on the 70cm band
438.125 MHz TX (50W) / 432.725 MHz RX

VK7RRR is connected to Australian D-Star reflector REF003C.
If a user links VK7RRR to a different repeater or reflector then it will re-link to REF003C after 10 minutes of inactivity.

More information, including how to send commands to the repeater to link worldwide, can be found here:
vk7rrr.info

Hello, this is Philip VK3JNI.

Over the weekend that this broadcast goes to air, I will be assisting with a Foundation Amateur Radio course.

In preparing for the course, I am quite excited, as this is the largest number of applicants that we have had for some time. Many of these people are under 18 years old. Undoubtedly, these young people have been encouraged by previous Scout JOTA activities and the active support of one or two parents and their leaders.

I wonder how many other young people would be interested in amateur radio if we could encourage their leaders, teachers or parents to consider the idea?

The idea of year 11 and 12 physics students studying waves and propagation via amateur radio does appeal to me. I can foresee the schools being approached by a small delegation from the local club, maybe with a donation of the foundation manual for the school library in hand. Would the school be interested in hosting a Foundation Course after hours or over the weekend?

To paraphrase someone else's slogan, we may never never know if we never never go, and try.

DISCUSSION POINT

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Some days you chew off more than you bargain for. Today I wanted to know a little more about propagation, the radio kind, not the plant variety. Four hours later I'm still reading. Everyone has an opinion, everyone's an expert and some people can even put together a coherent story on their web-site.

What did I learn so-far?

I didn't know that the Bureau of Meteorology has a Space Weather Branch, it's called IPS or the Ionospheric Prediction Service and their website is full of goodies. Then there's an article by Ian Poole, which appeared in the September 2002 edition of QST magazine, explaining how the Solar Flux, the K index and the A index affect your ability to talk to the other side of the world with your HF set.

So, it seems that the numbers are related to things that affect each other. A high Solar Flux is good, but it's adversely affected by a high K index which in turn is represented as an average as an A index.

Confused yet?

So, the K index, runs between 0 and 9, 9 being a very major storm, 0 being Quiet. Quiet is good, storm is bad. The higher the Solar Flux, the better it is for higher HF frequencies. The Solar Flux needs to build up, takes a few days, so, you need Quiet and high Solar Flux for a few days and magic happens.

I'm not confident enough with all this to tell you what to look for, but it seems that a Solar Flux of 150 or more for a few days with a K index below 2 will give you a good chance of getting some DX contact.

Now I realise that this might just be gobbledygook for you, in fact, four hours ago, it was for me too, but now when someone talks about the Solar Flux being high, at least I have an idea of what on earth they're talking about.

Next stop, figuring out how to read propagation maps.

I'm Onno, VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

NZART 5 MHz Working Party

WRC 15 will consider a possible new allocation to the amateur service on a secondary basis within the band 5 250-5 450 kHz and invited the ITU-R's to study spectrum requirements, to carry out sharing studies on the impact to other services currently allocated in the band referred to in invites ITU-R 1 and in the adjacent bands;

Not letting the grass grow under their feet (Well if they did those pesky ZL sheep would be in like flyn), well Don Wallace ZL2TLL is putting together an NZART working party to look at what New Zealand can gather to support an international allocation in the 5 MHz area.

Does the radiation of your mobile phone cause health issues or other electronic interference?

In the USA this topic has not been visited for more than 15 years, so the FCC is ready again to study the effects, if any.
The chairman of the FCC, will be asking his fellow commissioners to approve a notice that will permit the agency to open a formal inquiry on the matter.

London Bound?

Ofcom has announced that a small block of the amateur radio 144 MHz band is to be used for the London 2012 Summer Olympic Games and the RSGB say to minimise the impact on amateurs, a small block of 12.5kHz channels, ranging from 144.0125MHz to 144.1375MHz, for the period 27 July to 28 August 2012 only will be "out of band".

125 CANDIDATES PASSED THE RAE IN MAY

A total number of 144 candidates wrote the amateur radio examination class A in May this year in South Africa. The pass rate was 81% with 116 candidates passing the examination.

10 candidates wrote the class B examination, of which 9 candidates passed.

The youngest candidate to sit the examination was 11 years old.

90 YEAR OLD UK HAM GETS MASTERS DEGREE

Bert Gladwin G3FVO, a former MI 6 electronics engineer, has become the United Kingdom's oldest new graduate at the age of 90.

During World War II he served with the Royal Air Force and developed an interest in radio communications. After the war he worked for the Marconi company and obtained his amateur radio license.

Gladwin then worked for the Foreign Office setting up communications systems for British embassies around the world. He embarked on his degree in Intelligence History and Bletchley Park Studies at the age of 89.

Bert Gladwin's advice to anyone considering a degree is to go for it at any age. He says that it's never too late to learn.

More is on-line at tinyurl.com/grad-at-90

HELLO SAILOR

A Finnish cruise line with Radio Arcala, OH8X are in the process of testing whether a permanent amateur radio station will suit the maritime environment and serve DXers in their leisure time, whether cruising in the Mediterranean, off West Africa or just doing island-hopping in the Caribbean.

The objective for the first run is to look at potential interference issues both ways - from the amateur radio station to the ship's navigation system and from the ship's advanced PC networks to the reception of amateur radio transmissions.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

DJ6SI VS. GREECE - THE COURT DECISION

A court decision in the case of DXer Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI, who stood trial last week in Greece on three charges involving his operation of an amateur radio station on the vacation island of Kos. The three crimes he was eventually charged with were conducting radio traffic without permission from the Greek Government. Operating a transceiver that covered more spectrum than just the ham radio bands permitted by Greece and his refusal to surrender his equipment to the officer who investigated the incident.

According to a note posted to the Internet by his attorney, Drobnica was acquitted on counts 1 and 2 after the court ruled that he was a properly licensed radio amateur. However he was convicted

on the third count of refusing to surrender his equipment to the arresting officer.

No word of what penalties if any were imposed on the single count conviction. However his lawyer is reported to already have filed an appeal on count three and the court is expected to hold a separate trial on this issue at a later date.

Please keep in mind that this report is based on multiple language translations beginning in Greek with some of it electronic. As you all know, the latter have been known to leave you wondering if the translation is completely accurate.

One report in translated English is on-line at tinyurl.com/dj6si-verdict

TRACKING MANTA RAYS BY SATELLITE

An international team of researchers have used radio beacon transmitters and satellite technology to track the movements of giant Manta Rays.

According to a Times news report, a team headed by Rachel Graham of the Wildlife Conservation Society in Punta Gorda, Belize, attached transmitters to six Rays off the coast of Mexico's Yucatan peninsula. They reported in the journal PLoS One that they monitored the rays for periods ranging from 27 to 64 days. Their preliminary findings for the Atlantic mantas showed that they travelled as far as 680 miles over a one to two month period searching for food most of the time staying close to the coastline. They also found that Rays spent considerable time in shipping lanes, which rendered them vulnerable to being hit by freighters.

The full in-depth text of this very interesting use of radio tracking can be found on-line at tinyurl.com/manta-ray-tracking

BRUNEI GOING AFTER UNLICENSED MOBILE OPERATORS

The Brunei government says that it is cracking down on anyone found operating amateur radio gear without government authorization. Members of that nation's citizenry who are convicted of illegal use of amateur radio equipment without a license from the Authority for Info-communications Technology Industry of Brunei Darussalam or AITI will face a maximum fine of 10,000 Brunei dollars, up to three years imprisonment, or both.

This new anti-pirate operating campaign appears
aimed primarily at those unlicensed individuals
who use mobile gear on the VHF and UHF amateur bands.
It was announced by the AITI during a briefing on
the first of several joint operations with the Berakas
Police to crack down on illegal use of radio equipment.
The operations involved a dedicated corps of sixteen
police personnel and seven AITI officials.

PHONESATS SHOWN AT MAY MAKER FAIRE

Turning to ham radio in space related news, some
new amateur radio satellites based on cellphones
were recently shown to the public at the 2012 Bay
Area Maker Faire in San Mateo, California.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reports:

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Among the displays was one for the PhoneSat
amateur radio satellites. These are a pair of
ham radio satellites both of which run the
Android operating system and will be enclosed in
a standard 1U CubeSat structure.

PhoneSat 1.0 cost about $3500 and is built around
the Nexus One smartphone. It will operate on
battery power only with a mission lifetime of
approx 1 week. Its big brother called PhoneSat
2.0 used a Nexus S smartphone and has solar
panels on each face for a mission lifetime that
should last at least two weeks when it will likely de-orbit.

The IARU has coordinated a frequency of 437.425
MHz for the AX.25 AFSK downlink.

The first launch is scheduled for the third
quarter of 2012 on the Antares-110 launch
vehicle. It will carry two PhoneSat 1.0
satellites and one PhoneSat 2.0. A second
PhoneSat launch is expected to occur sometime in 2013.

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The 2012 Bay Area Maker Faire took place May 19th
to the 20th. Several news reports estimate that
65,000 to 70,000 attended this ever growing West
Coast event that was held the same weekend as the
Dayton Hamvention.

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RSGB

New award commemorates Tony Sale

The life of Tony Sale, who was best known for his work in re- creating the Colossus computer at Bletchley Park, is to be commemorated by the creation of an award for the best computer restoration project.

According to Computer Conservation Society chairman David Hartley, the award, which will be overseen by the CCS and backed by Google, will seek out those projects carried out in the same spirit that Tony Sale brought to his work.

An article in the publication Computer Weekly notes that Tony Sale, who passed away in August 2011, was principal science officer at the Security Service MI5 and says he was also a radio ham, although it is not clear if he actually held a licence.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

And quickly in today's Weird and Wonderful may we suggest you check your junk box.

Why?

Well a RARE surviving first model of the Apple computer, a stripped down, clunky device that bears no resemblance to today's sleek pads has sold for $374,000 at auction in New York.

The price was more than double the pre-sale estimate, reflecting a two-way bidding war eventually won by an anonymous telephone bidder, Sotheby's said.

The Apple I computer was created by Apple co-founders Steve Wozniak and Steve Jobs and sold in 1976 at the birth of Jobs's career as the world's computer design guru.

The model auctioned in New York is believed to be one of six of the less than 50 surviving that still works.

(online news)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Winter VHF-UHF Field Day June 23-24
ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

3D QSL Cards

It seems everything is going 3D these days, Alexander Savenok 4Z5LZ has produced a 3D QSL card

He created it using the online service at
www.SnapilyPro.com

C K 6 S - Special Event Station for the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary Stampede July 5 to 15. A special QSL card will be available through the QSL bureau or direct. Planned frequencies are in the general portion of the US phone bands around 3.825, 7.180, 14.250, 21.320 & 28.475

K 4 O - Puerto Rico Special Event

Sunday July 1, the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee will be celebrating the Flag Bearing of the Puerto Rico Delegation to the Summer Olympic Games in London.

The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League will be joining the Olympic Committee in this celebration by setting up Puerto Rico Olympic Committee headquarters. They will be using the special callsign K4O for this event.

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Northern Tasmanian Amateur Radio Club

Repeater News - A Broadcast Trial

The Ben Lomond repeater VK7RBH antenna is possibly the highest in Tasmania, and the club have been pondering the actual extent of that repeater's coverage.

While it enjoys a lofty perch on the mountain, they have long known that the site is less than ideal for repeater purposes. The plateau like nature of the summit effectively shields much of the area surrounding the mountain's base.

In addition to the usual service via VK7RAA at Mt Barrow, a few broadcasts are likely also being relayed through VK7RBH by Peter VK7PD.

Peter will also conduct call-backs after the broadcast via VK7RBH.

If you can, please take a listen on 438.050 MHz and if you managed to copy the broadcast via this service, please call back to let Peter know and also provide him with your listening location.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

Ian Wade G3NRW has released a Kenwood TS-590S Slow Scan TV QuickStart Guide.

The TS-590S USB port is extremely user friendly when running digital modes. No interface unit is necessary, just connect the PC to the radio with a standard off-the-shelf USB cable and you're in business.

Exactly the same applies when using the USB port for analogue audio.

G3NRW's HOWTO explains how to configure MMSSTV (one of the world's most popular analogue SSTV packages) to work with the TS-590S.

To download the HOWTO, go to the TS-590S Resources Page

http://homepage.ntlworld.com/wadei/ts-590s.htm

MMSSTV software

http://hamsoft.ca/pages/mmsstv.php

(ICQHAM NEWS)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

ARISS DIGIPETER MOVES TO 437.550 MHZ

The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS digipeater has changed frequency from 145.825 MHz to 437.550 MHz.

Packet operations were moved to the Columbus Module UHF radio when the Kenwood D700 radio was recently powered off due to needing an additional air purifier to support the recently arrived Automated Transfer Vehicle. As a result the purifier is now using the power outlet that the Kenwood normally uses.

The Russian team has agreed to briefly power the purifier off for the scheduled ARISS school events but then will re-activate the purifier right afterwards.

(ARNEWSLINE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

The 2012 Tom Quilty Gold Cup national equine endurance championships were held at St Helens on the East Coast of Tasmania this month. WICEN provided checkpoint crews and communications between checkpoints and Base. Handheld and mobile radio communications between ride officials was also supplied. Other support included track mapping and web based distribution of competitor tracking.

(vk7wi)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1071. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 22 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 16:31:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2354855935eb04c3122ad5@google.com>
Source record: 2738
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1819 June 22 2012

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 10:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351096-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1819--June-22-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1819 ☐ June 22 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1819 with a release date of June 22, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. UK hams learn that they will have to share two meters with the 2012 Olympics; the IARU High Frequency Championship to take place in July; German hams get spectrum at 472 KHz and Radio Netherlands to cease English language broadcasts. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1819 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: UK HAMS TO SHARE 2 METERS WITH OLYMPICS

Ham radio operators in London will be temporarily giving up a part of the 2 meter band to accommodate the 2012 Olympic Games. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, reports from Nottingham in the UK:

1072. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-035E - Ham Operators needed to support Coast toCoast Against Cancer Foundation

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 19:54:10 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FE4CD19.605@rac.ca>
Source record: 2739
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-035E - Ham Operators needed to support Coast to
Coast Against Cancer Foundation
2012-06-21

Volunteers are needed to provide communications in support of this
worthwhile event. It takes place along the Cabot Trail in Nova Scotia
August 3-5, 2012 and involves cycling road routes with more than 100
cyclists participating and more than 50 volunteers.

ARES is involved with this organization in Alberta and Ontario, and
they have put out a call to us for support for the first time in the
Atlantic Region. If you are able to help, please drop me a note at
dougvo1dtm@gmail.com or contact Atlantic Director Ev Price at
vo1dk@rac.ca or Deputy Director Len Morgan ve9my@rac.ca.

Thanks for your interest.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1073. eHam.net News for Friday 22 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-22 22:05:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407bdb3fb6004c316d423@google.com>
Source record: 2740
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #25:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:51 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28526

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:50 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28525

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Field Day is This Weekend: Are You Ready?

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:50 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28524

Tens of thousands of Amateur Radio operators will be firing up portable radio stations from unexpected locations this weekend for ARRL Field Day.

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ARRL Executive Committee Approves Resource Grants for 11 Schools:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28523

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ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee Seeks Comments on 23 cm Band Plan:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:49 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28522

Last
winter, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the Amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. The excellent level of response provided us with the basis to complete drafts of the 9 cm, 13

cm and 33 cm revised band plans for ARRL Board approval. The Committee has now prepared for your consideration a draft band plan for 23 cm (1240-1300 MHz), the final band on its assigned list. Please look over the accompanying draft and let us know if you have any major concerns.

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FCC Downgrades Hawaiian Ham's License:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28521

On June 18, the FCC issued an Order of Modification, modifying the license class of Todd Wilson, WH6DWF, of Honolulu, Hawaii, from General to Technician. This stems from an Order Proposing Modification released in March 2012 where the FCC stated that granting General class Amateur Radio operator privileges to Wilson was "improper."

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YASME Announces Awards, Expanded List of Eligible Call Signs:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:50 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28520

The Yasme Foundation currently offers two awards. The Yasme Award, in the form of a handsome plaque, is offered to those radio amateurs who submit proof of 30 QSOs with Yasme officials and DXpeditions that have at least one Yasme official as a participant. The Yasme Supreme Award is in the form of a representation of the YASME boat used by Danny Weil in his around-the-world DXpedition. It is available to those who submit proof of 60 QSOs with YASME officials and DXpeditions with a Yasme official as a participant.

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New Amateur Extra Class Question Pool Effective July 1:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28519

New Amateur Extra Class Question Pool Effective July 1:

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2011 ARRL Annual Report Now Available:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:47 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28518

The ARRL Annual Report for 2011 -- now available online -- reviews the major events of the year and documents the renewed growth of both the ARRL and the activities of the Amateur Radio Service. For the fifth consecutive year, ARRL membership grew -- totaling 157,813 members at year end.

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ARNewsline Report 1819 - June 22 2012:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:46 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28517

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they will have to share two meters with the
2012 Olympics; the IARU High Frequency
Championship to take place in July; German
hams get spectrum at 472 KHz and Radio
Netherlands to cease English language
broadcasts. Find out the details are on
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coming your way right now.

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Free KY5U Site has Android App:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:40 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28516

KY5U Ham Radio Assets now has an Android App. The web based FREE software
for ham radio operators that works on ANY smartphone is proud to announce
that it's available as a Android download.

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Live Shortwave Field Day Call In Show:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:39 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28514

The QSO Radio Show will once again be broadcasting "Field Day Live" on
Saturday from 12PM CDT to 6 PM CDT on International Shortwave Radio. This
year the broadcast will be on the new WTWW just outside of Nashville TN
with 100,000 watts of power and heard around the world. This is double the
power than the years before now on the new WTWW facility so the outreach
will be phenomenal!

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Prop Fcst 2012-26

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:35 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28508

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Prop Fcst 2012-26:

1074. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 22 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-23 02:25:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234ce7d29a2304c31a75a7@google.com>
Source record: 2741
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio club to ham it up Saturday - Beloit Daily News

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 02:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFXmeIsLfgoPkbRqo2GUHr8RpXW3Q&url=http://www.beloitdailynews.com/news/radio-club-to-ham-it-up-saturday/article_4bcb8b32-bc7c-11e1-ad57-001a4bcf887a.html

Santa Barbara Independent
Radio club to ham it up Saturday
Beloit Daily News
Through the American Radio Relay Leagues (ARRL) Amateur Radio Services program, ham volunteers provide both emergency communications for thousands ...
Ham radio operators ready to have a field day in MasonLansing State Journal
Amateur radio operators reaching outAnderson Independent Mail
Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Operators Demo Emergency ...Santa Barbara Independent
Pomerado Newspaper Group -AnnArbor.com -Baxter Bulletin
all 174 news articles

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Amateur radio clubs prepare for field day - WALB-TV

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:06 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEF_E_EeMEOwteOnykqqUcVczje7w&url=http://www.walb.com/story/18858376/amateur-radio-clubs-prepare-for-field-day

Amateur radio clubs prepare for field day
WALB-TV
More than 35000 of those "amateur" radio operators will gather with their clubs or friends around the country Saturday for the annual field day.

and more

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Ham radio operators to hold emergency expo at Kennedy Park - Wausau Daily Herald

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 02:50 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH7DlR9UhJBDLQTXgcaJeEAe5pCfQ&url=http://www.wausaudailyherald.com/article/20120622/WDH100201/206220309/Ham-radio-operators-hold-emergency-expo-Kennedy-Park

Ham radio operators to hold emergency expo at Kennedy Park
Wausau Daily Herald
The free event, part of a nationwide ham radio operator effort called Field Day, will include amateur radio demonstrations, severe weather information, displays ...

and more

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Amateur radio enthusiasts invite the public to field day - Newnan Times-Herald

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 03:28 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG0KnIgXzfkcZyqQ5Wjvk54KXyKLg&url=http://www.times-herald.com/local/20120622HamRadio-MOS

Newnan Times-Herald
Amateur radio enthusiasts invite the public to field day
Newnan Times-Herald
Amateur radio enthusiasts will be out at the Coweta County Fairgrounds this ... The public is invited to come out and watch, or even operate a ham radio to see ...

and more

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Amateur Radio Emergency Services Field Day at Lionel E. Lalonde ... - The Sudbury Star

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 11:37 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGcyUYubWF4Al8NptqamfYcP5hUOw&url=http://www.thesudburystar.com/ArticleDisplay.aspx?e%3D3588859

Amateur Radio Emergency Services Field Day at Lionel E. Lalonde ...
The Sudbury Star
City of Greater Sudburys Emergency Services department is inviting people to come out to the Lionel E. Lalonde Centre on Saturday from 2 to 4.

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Ham radio operators show off for local residents - Norwich Bulletin

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 02:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFHO6gzutdOer8CTQE9-XX95qJ1ow&url=http://www.norwichbulletin.com/entertainment/events/x448227334/Ham-radio-operators-show-off-for-local-residents

Ham radio operators show off for local residents
Norwich Bulletin
In the Voluntown area, the Amateur Radio Society of Norwich will hold demonstrations at Pachaug State Forest. Members encourage the public to see ham ...

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Amateur radio operators hold Field Day this weekend - The State
Journal-Register

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 09:45 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFjraYdV2QKSYzL7kINCjS7QJv4QA&url=http://www.sj-r.com/top-stories/x1762341591/Amateur-radio-operators-hold-Field-Day-this-weekend

Amateur radio operators hold Field Day this weekend
The State Journal-Register
The SVRC members will be among 35000 other amateur radio operators in Mexico, ... Theyll use the signals they get to contact as many other ham operators as ...

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National amateur radio event brings CQ Radio Club of Torrington ... -
Torrington Register Citizen

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 08:25 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHURDBGU8NcL0yaagZ4zeMTxb1P9w&url=http://www.registercitizen.com/articles/2012/06/21/news/doc4fe3e30d259ce801762269.txt

National amateur radio event brings CQ Radio Club of Torrington ...
Torrington Register Citizen
The Register Citizen is your source for all Litchfield County 24-hour breaking news, local news, sports, entertainment and more. View daily weather updates, ...

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Sending strong signals: South Washington County ham radio ... - South
Washington County Bulletin

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 06:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGgi_RuvgciCTbI8p-bAyYHpvJOgg&url=http://www.swcbulletin.com/event/article/id/20856/group/homepage/

Sending strong signals: South Washington County ham radio ...
South Washington County Bulletin
Where are you located?” Esler, a member of the Cottage Grove-based South East Metro Amateur Radio Club (SEMARC), asks the other ham radio operator.

1075. HOT LATEST UPDATED VIDEOS AND SEXY ACTRESES PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-23 04:10:44 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <fdac2c85-c30b-4513-aef9-d93f63a2c099@e7g2000pbg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2742

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

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mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1076. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-032E-1 - Correction to Bulletin 2012-032E

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-23 14:38:52 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FE4CD11.8050607@rac.ca>
Source record: 2743
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-032E-1 - Correction to Bulletin 2012-032E
2012-06-18

Correction to RAC Bulletin 2012-32E concerning ARES Merchandise Please note the following correction for access to Cafepress. It's:

http://www.cafepress.com/RAC_Radio_Premium.

Sorry about that!

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1077. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 23 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-23 16:13:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b199958d04c32605f4@google.com>
Source record: 2744
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Voyager 1 Leaving Solar System

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 10:46 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351187-Voyager-1-Leaving-Solar-System&goto=newpost

Voyager 1 has reached the edge of the solar system. From what I recall in the 90's when the internet was fresh is that some of us hams before the launch inserted our names on the data disk travelling along on the flights. I see no mention of names flying along on the golden disk on the Voyager commercial website.

Reuters News Story

http://in.reuters.com/article/2012/0...85E0VU20120615

Voyager Website

This is the golden record page for those remembering putting their names on the furthest flying craft out of the solar system. Does anyone recall if it included our call signs?

http://voyager.jpl.nasa.gov/spacecraft/goldenrec.html

Of course all of our ham chatter is light years ahead of the crafts.

Best of DX to everyone. Stand by for alien QSL cards. Hopefully LOTW is OK for them.

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2012 7th Call Area QSO Party video online

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 10:00 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351186-2012-7th-Call-Area-QSO-Party-video-online&goto=newpost

For the 2012 7QP, 7th Call Area QSO Party I operated tricycle mobile. This is a unique way to operate and to enter a contest. The video will show what tricycle mobile ham radio is like.

- http://youtu.be/CHwSp6qKrCg.

Like last Field Day, I will again operate tricycle mobile. The 2011 Field Day tricycle mobile video - http://youtu.be/OJBUog1oK04

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KCRA to Webcast Field Day Operations

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 10:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351131-KCRA-to-Webcast-Field-Day-Operations&goto=newpost

The Kings County Repeater Association (KC2RA, Brooklyn, NY) will webcast
it's Field Day operations live from their site in Staten Island (NLI).

The stream will consist of multiple cameras with sound. The stream will
have the lowest priority of anything else going on (radio comes first).

Watch us work you!

http://www.kc2ra.org/index.php/field...eld-day-stream

or

http://ustre.am/LO17

1078. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 23 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-23 16:35:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a012bbf0404c3265681@google.com>
Source record: 2745
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Worked all Trinidad and Tobago

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 03:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351194-Worked-all-Trinidad-and-Tobago&goto=newpost

Hi guys in commemoration of 50 Yeras of Independence, of our country
Trinidad and Tobago the Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Radio Society (TTARS)
has decided to do this award! You will see the attachment of the rules
towards this award! Keep informed via

http://www.facebook.com/#!/9Y4TT

and

http://www.facebook.com/#!/events/147440685379652/

Thanks in advance for your support! 73s

Attached Images

award.jpg
(77.0 KB)

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LAS VEGAS, NEVADA: Sixth Annual "Hams On The Hill" Field Day

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 09:09 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351181-LAS-VEGAS-NEVADA-Sixth-Annual-quot-Hams-On-The
-Hill-quot-Field-Day&goto=newpost

At noon today (Friday) hams began arriving on beautiful Mount Charleston,
overlooking Las Vegas, Nevada for the Sixth Annual "Hams On The Hill" Field
Day weekend.

Set-up of Station N7V begins Saturday morning. The entire story can be
found here:www.lasvegasfieldday.com

Anyone and everyone interested in radio is invited to join the activities.

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E51YNB E51TAI Rarotonga Island

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 12:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351144-E51YNB-E51TAI-Rarotonga-Island&goto=newpost

N6NB and W6TAI will be active from Rarotonga Island (IOTA OC-013 , South Cook Islands 7-21 July 2012 as E51YNB and E51TAI

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-cook-islands/

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Field day 10 meter beacon balloon 28.224 mhz

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 04:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351108-Field-day-10-meter-beacon-balloon-28-224-mhz&goto=newpost

For those who are interested in balloon transmitters,We will be launching a 10 meter beacon balloon this Saturday morning from Caneadea,NY Grid FN02WJ approx 10:00 - 11:00 UTC.Frequency will be 28.224 mhz.

Will post details and photos when we return from the remote site in hopes to see reports.

We hope the balloon travels as far as possible rather than bursting and falling back to the ground too soon.

Batteries should last a week or more.An operator will be on 28.327 mhz phone.

Here is a place to post reports if any.

http://www.freewebs.com/jimmzz91164/...le/1812799936/

We wish everyone a great field day 73.

Jim,N2NXZ

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EWFF - 018

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 12:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351103-EWFF-018&goto=newpost

Our team of EW7BE, EW7UU EW7BB and travels to preserve "Mozyr gullies» EWFF - 018, where the encounter EW8DD, EW8CQ and EW2CC and we will work out of the tent camp from 22 to 24 June. The work will be on all HF diappazonov CW, SSB, will work with your call sign and a fraction F. At the end of the expedition will be provided for eLogs avtozacheta Program WFF. On arrival in Bobruisk, will post photos and video report. http://ew7be.blog.tut.by/

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Puerto Rico with record 10 activations for Field Day 2012

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 04:35 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351073-Puerto-Rico-with-record-10-activations-for-Field-Day-2012&goto=newpost

With a record of ten radio clubs active for Field Day 2012 in the island of Puerto Rico, all four cardinal points of the island are covered for this

event. The following clubs are:

1- The Puerto Rico Field Day Groupo (PRFDG) with the Movimiento Radioaficionados de Puerto Rico (MRPR), in the Sport Complex Luis Osvaldo Reyes in Cataño. KP4FD

2- The Puerto ico Amateur Radio League (PRARL) in the Luis Muñoz Rivera Park in Old San Juan. KP4ES

3- The Cuerpo Radio Aficionados Voluntarios (CRPR) in the Los Tubos Recreative Beach in Manatí. WP4OGK

4- The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio Operators (PRARO) in the Edgar Martinez Sport Complex in Dorado. NP3PR

5- The Western Amateur Radio Club (WARD) in the CB REACT Team installations in the Llavat Urbanization, Brazil Street in Mayagúez. NP3M

6- The Federación de Radio Aficionados de PR (FRAPR) in Surfing Beach, on the Bohios area of Barrio Pozuelo in Guayama. KP4FRA

7- The Caribbean Amateur Radio Group (CARG) from the Bohios in the Recreative Pasive Park of Barrio Capaez in Hatillo. WP4CRG

8-The Fajardo DX Club in the First Baptist Church in Fajardo. KP4DXC

9- The Radio Operadores Del Este (RODE) from the Ceiba EOC in the Roosvelt Roads Base in Ceiba. KP3RE

10- The Bayman Radio Club in the Municipal EOC in Toa Alta. KP4NM

So as you can see, local clubs have taken this exercise seriously as a way to dempstrate what can Amateur Radio do for the community during an emergency, there is no excuse so to say if someone wants to learn about what is Amateur Radio and how to obtain a license to be a Ham. If you are visiting the island or are planning to go to a Field Day operation you can go to www.arrl.org/field-day-locator map to check on the one near you.

There will aslo be an activation from our friends in Saint Croix, USVI as NP2VI and even a station in Columbia will be activated as 5K3W.

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Olympic special event station

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351059-Olympic-special-event-station&goto=newpost

Warrington Amateur Radio Club along with S.Manchester & W. Manchester

Radio Clubs Will be operating the Olympic call sign GB2012MV operating

on all HF bands starting on July 25 Ken G3VBA

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Multi-Club Field Day With Fireworks By Pyrotechnic. Special Event K3F - GOTA K3HRC

Posted: 21 Jun 2012 04:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?350995-Multi-Club-Field-Day-With-Fireworks-By-Pyrotechnic-Special-Event-K3F-GOTA-K3HRC&goto=newpost

☐Multi-Club Field Day☐

With Fireworks By Pyrotechnic Artists, Inc. Saturday Night about
10PM :rolleyes:

FieldDay@CambriaRadio.com

Sample of the QSL Card you can receive is located at
http://www.CambriaRadio.com / field day page

Thanks to WB3JSW ;)

How to obtain a custom made QSL Card for this event.

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GOTA Station K3HRC led by Chris KA3JIB :)

Other operators may operate and Chris will keep a log.

For a special QSL card please send your SASE to:

Field Day QSL 513 Kerr Avenue Patton, PA 16668

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K3F Special Event Station Lead By Fred Raco N3JCV :cool:

Other operators may operate and Fred will keep a log.

For a special QSL card please send your SASE to:

Field Day QSL 212 Sunapee Drive Johnstown, 15904

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QSL Card and Event T-Shirt design by Dave WB3JSW

Follow our operating frequencies on our face book page. Link at
CambriaRadio.com

The Cambria Radio Club and the Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club will be testing emergency communications from 2 PM EST June 23rd to 5 PM EST June 24th, 2012. Open to the public at 11:30 with a Hot Dog lunch from Noon - 1PM.

For 2012, the newly formed Cambria Radio Club in Johnstown, has joined forces with the Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club in Altoona to create a ☐Multi-Club Field Day☐.

The CRC and HARC members believe this would be a great opportunity for the community to come see how amateur radio works. Individuals will be able to learn some important skills for emergency situations and have the opportunity to earn their amateur radio license. (FREE VE TEST SESSION*)

*Interested individuals must sign up for FREE VE Test Session by clicking this Test Session Link or copy and past this URL into your Internet browser http://www.cambriaradio.com/VE_Test_Session.html

Please sign up before June 15, 2012. Remebmer you must bring two valid forms of ID. Please email any questions you have on the test session to VETEAM@CambriaRadio.com

===== revised June 19, 2012 ======

Cambria Radio Club and Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club

Multi-Club Field day 2012 Planning Schedule

Other Clubs Invited To Participate

FieldDay@CambriaRadio.com

New Germany Grove Hall

1635 New Germany Road

Summerhill, PA 15958

Call Signs

WA3WGN ☐ CRC

W3QZF ☐ HARC

K3F ☐ Special Event

GOTA - K3HRC

Friday June 22

4:00 pm - 10:00 pm

RV and diehard camper move in and radio setup for those not keeping score

Set-up Wireless Internet Provided By http://www.itxbb.net/ In The Stix Broadband

Possibly Light a little fire

On your own for Dinner

Saturday June 23

7:00 am Coffee for the HAMS by team HARC

8:00 am Light Breakfast / snack for the few hams already on site.

Open Radio Operations

Field Day Site-to-Site pre-contacts

EMA, Fire, Police, communications trailer setup if they are able to break away

12:00 Noon

Field Day Site opens to the public.

12:00 Noon ☐ 1:00 pm free hot dog lunch by HARC and CRC Radio Clubs served by. N3SSD, KB3VTX, and others as willing or needed.

1:00 pm activity for kids (playground area) children supervised by parent or guardian.

2:00 pm Start of official Multi-Club Field day 2012 contacting for those keeping score.

Post operating frequencies on face book page and discuss on air.Someone needed to run live active face book posting station.Elaine??? Hint, hint

3:30pmFree VE Test Session Pre-Registration led by N3XCC In the Main Building.

4:00 pm FREE VE Test Session Led by N3XCC

One round until complete with upgrades optional based on time. VE Test Lead to make the call. VE☐s please let Scott know ASAP if you can help VETEAM@CambriaRadio.com

6:00 pm Dinner for the HAMS

This dinner is for radio operators, club members, and their guests / children. It is a pot luck for the all the side dishes and desserts but HARC will be providing the main meat.

HARC will be ordering Chicken from Wal-Mart both trays of planks and the fried chicken legs and breasts pieces. We will need all of the side dishes provided by those of you attending. Please provide a side dish or dessert if you are attending this dinner. N3VRN is willing to coordinate this if people want to let her know what you are bringing (evenesky@chsd1.org) You are also welcome to provide other main courses if you like.

HARC will also provide sodas, Ice tea, water & bags of ice. Also need everyone to bring cookies and snacks.

7:00 pm TENTATIVE Wan-RS Core Member Meeting held in the main building.This will be a private WAN-RS Core Member Meeting taking advantage of the group all being in one place.

Radio Operations and Coffee through the night

9:30 pm ☐ 10:00 pm Fireworks Begin and this event is open to the public. We will need a few volunteers to secure shoot area during setup, through cool-down /20 minutes after shoot ends. Also need all to help in large debris cleanup and pickup trucks to take to burn spent shells in campfire. Mike N3SSD is Lead Shooter for this event provided by Pyrotechnic Artists, Inc. c/o Howard Fry President and CRC Club Member http://www.pyroartists.com/About.aspx

10:30 pm Possible Camp Fire by N3JCV (Any one staying bring your smore ingredients and mountain pie makers and fixins)

Radio operations through the night

11:30 pm General public to depart (Site Secure For Attending Hams Only)

Sunday June 24

NOTE: Church Services at 7:00 am and 9:00 am across street, 8:00 am and 10:00 am at Summerhill down the road 5-6 miles all are welcome.

5:00 am Radio Operations

8:00 am Breakfast for Operators by KA3VXR and N3VRN and others.
Eggs-Sausage- Cheese Mix up/ pancakes/ fruit/toast/ OJ/ Donuts

12:00Lunch Leftovers from Saturday as done in the past.

5:00 pm Event Closed 73 Everyone Please clean up as you leave

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

HARC/ N3VRN has picked up plates, silverware, cups(cold and hot), napkins and three cases of water so far and will be getting soda and iced teas later in the week. They have an Orange (construction style) jug that we will keep filled with lemonade and such throughout the weekend.

PS: We will have custom multi-club field day shirts and a very low cost, free QSL Cards, and small personal event cards available.

PSS: A special thank you to the field day team that is making all of this possible. You are the best and the reason we are going to have a very fun event. Thank you!!! Tom - K3WS

1079. SARL News in English 23/6/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-23 20:16:27 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <A7518650060A4E129B721108F18EA1A1@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2746
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 24 JUNE 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on "Amateur Radio Today" and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria with relays on 7 066 and 3 695 kHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that we have to report that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent recently.

On Thursday night, Abe Grov&#65533;, ZS6BMX, became silent key after long illness. He was 77 years old.

Richard L. (Dick) Baldwin, W1RU, IARU President Emeritus, passed away on Thursday morning, 21 June. He was 92 years old. As American radio Relay League (ARRL) Assistant General Manager, Dick was primarily responsible for initiating preparations for the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference. He was one of the key players in formulating the objective of obtaining new amateur HF bands at 10, 18 and 24 MHz. As ARRL General Manager from 1975 to 1982 he played an essential role in turning that objective into reality.

Following his retirement from the ARRL staff, Dick was elected President of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), which he had served as Secretary from 1976 to 1982. He served as President for 17 years, managing the transition to a new Constitution that made the IARU a more representative body. Upon his retirement from that volunteer position in 1999, he was named President Emeritus by the IARU Administrative Council. Dick Baldwin was a great friend of South Africa and visited this country several times during his tenure as IARU President.

We extend our sincere condolences to the families and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

CLUBS TO GET FREE AFFILIATION TO THE SARL

RTA IN DURBAN

IARU HF CHAMPIONSHIP ON JULY 14 - 15

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

CLUBS TO GET FREE AFFILIATION TO THE SARL

The council of the SARL has agreed to offer free affiliation to radio clubs in South Africa whose activity supports the SARL's vision and objectives for amateur radio. To apply for affiliation, clubs must complete the standard membership application vorm. They must include a copy of their constitution, a list and contact details of committee members and a brief report of the club's amateur radio related activity. This could be a chairman report or copies of newsletters. Clubs who have already paid for the 2012/2013 year will be refunded

RTA IN DURBAN

The first Radio Technology in Action (RTA) of 2012 will be held in Durban on 21 July at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. The programme is very different to those of previous years and includes several innovations.

The keynote entitled "Tuning into Nature" will be delivered by Tony Voorveld, ZS6CCD. This is a presentation on various electromagnetic phenomena that appear in nature. Tony will explain by discussion and demonstration how phenomena such as Solar Flares, Cosmic Rays and Lightning may be detected by amateur radio and amateur scientific equipment. He will also be discussing radio astronomy for the amateur. If you have seen Tony in action before, you know that you do not want to miss it and if you haven't, make sure you do attend this year.

The opening address will be given by SARL President, Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT. Rassie will talk about how radio amateurs can contribute to the development of a knowledge economy for South Africa.

Then we come to the practical aspect of the symposium. Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ, will demonstrate the building and operation of a software defined radio for 40 metres. A kit of components will be on sale at the RTA and will cost under R100,00.

Riaan Greeff, ZS4PR, will talk about and demonstrate how to interface Hamradio Deluxe with radio equipment and antenna rotators. He will concentrate on the practical aspects and will use various models to demonstrate the operation.

There will also be a demonstration on how to install and use a logging programme.

All persons attending the RTA will receive a CD that will contain the various programmes demonstrated. When you get home after the event, you can start having more fun.

The full programme will be available on www.sarl.org.za early next week. In the meantime if you live in KwaZulu-Natal, take note of the date Saturday 21 July. If you live a little distance from Durban, why not make arrangements with your club members to travel together.

SKA INTECNET WAS POPULAR CHOICE

The Intecnet held last Sunday evening with Prof Justin Jonas, talking and answering question about the Square Kilometer Area (SKA), was very popular, both by the audience and the guest speaker. Prof Jonas said he enjoyed the questions from the listeners. He said it was refreshing talking with people who had a good grasp of technology. He added: "I wrote down the questions, as they make an excellent resource for future talks I have to deliver".

The SARL has had many requests for the audio file to be made available for download. An edited version will be available on www.sarl.org.za from today.

For the next intecnet the SARL hopes to have Adrian Tiplady of the SKA project as guest speaker. He will be talking about radio interference mitigation on the SKA site and how services like radio and TV will be delivered to local residents. Watch future editions of SARL-NEWS for details.

IARU HF CHAMPIONSHIP ON JULY 14 - 15

The International Amateur Radio Union sponsors the High Frequency World Championship 2012. It will take place on Saturday July 14th beginning at 12:00 UTC and ending at 12:00 UTC on Sunday July 15th. The objective of this contest is to contact as many amateurs around the world as possible, especially IARU member society Headquarters stations. The 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands will be used. The rules for this year are available on line at tinyurl.com/iaru-hf-championship.

The SARL would like to put its station on the air at the NARC and is looking for volunteers to man the station for the full period. This would be a great opportunity for experienced contesters to show newcomers how much fun contesting is. If you are interested, drop a line to contest@sarl.org.za this week and you will be contacted.

YASME FOUNDATION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Awards and an expanded list of eligible call signs.

The Yasme Foundation currently offers two awards. The Yasme Award, in the form of a handsome plaque, is offered to those radio amateurs who submit proof of 30 QSO's with Yasme officials and DX-peditions that have at least one Yasme official as a participant.

The Yasme Supreme Award is in the form of a representation of the YASME boat used by Danny Weil in his around-the-world DX-pedition. It is available to those who submit proof of 60 QSO's with YASME officials and DX-peditions with a Yasme official as a participant. These awards are available to qualifying applicants at no cost. After a year-long evaluation of the rules, the Yasme Board of Directors has revised the rules for those call signs that may be used to qualify for the two awards, with many new ones added to the list. The Yasme Foundation is a non-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in underdeveloped countries. Get details from www.yasme.org.

Danny Weil was a pioneer of what is now known as the 'DX-pedition'. While not the first to DX-pedition, Danny was one of the first to travel to more than one location to operate, and to travel from place to place - often solo in a sailboat and lugging hundreds of kilograms of radio equipment - specifically to provide DXers with a 'new one'.

Lloyd and Iris Colvin perfected the DX-pedition and took it into the modern age in the 1970's and 1980's, with operations from more than 100 countries, using modern transport methods and state-of-the-art radio equipment. Lloyd and Iris Colvin have operated several times, as guests of the SARL, from the Johannesburg Amateur Radio Centre, which was then situated in Louis Botha Avenue in Johannesburg.

YASME was both the name of Danny Weil's boat, and the name of the non-profit foundation that was created in 1959 to provide financial and logistical support for the travels of Weil, the Colvins, and others.

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected Solar activity will be at low levels. Major Sunspot 1 504 is rotating out of view and only a few minor sunspots are now visible.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 47.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be much less frequent due to the lower solar activity and then mostly on east-west paths.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

14/15 July - The IARU HF Championship on all the bands. Rules are available at tinyurl.com/iaru-hf-championship. 21 July. - The first Radio Technology in Action (RTA) of 2012 in Durban at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. The full programme will be available on www.sarl.org.za early next week.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dick, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Flip Britz, ZS4GE/6, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1080. eHam.net News for Saturday 23 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-23 22:15:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c933d54ad04c32b1736@google.com>
Source record: 2747
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Sending Strong Signals:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28531

Gary Esler listens intently as the radio crackles to life. He jots down information as his partner's operating radio equipment connects with someone from Hawaii. A Navy veteran who was once stationed in Hawaii, Esler asks for the controls. "Aloha! Where are you located," Esler, a member of the Cottage Grove-based South East Metro Amateur Radio Club (SEMARC), asks the other ham radio operator. The two exchange information before signing off. Connections like these excite the Hastings resident. "I guarantee you we'll work all of the United States today," he says. The communication took place June 2 at Fleming Field in South St. Paul, where SEMARC members gathered for an event in honor of the air field's namesake. The event commemorated the 70 th anniversary of the Battle of the Midway, which was considered the turning point in the Allies' war in the Pacific. The Battle of the Midway was also where Capt. Richard Fleming, a St. Paul native, died in battle. The Navy pilot died during an attack and was posthumously awarded the military's highest recognition: the Medal of Honor.

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Ham Radio Operators To Demonstrate True Wireless Communication:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28530

HILLSBOROUGH - In times of crisis - tornadoes, fires, hurricanes - our interconnected communication and power systems often shut down. But when all else fails amateur radio operators provide a vital service to emergency crews - the ability to communicate. Local amateur radio operators - often know as "hams" - are holding a ham radio demonstration to show the public why they are so critical in an emergency. The event is called "Field Day." It's the climax of national "Amateur Radio Week" sponsored by ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. Durham area ARRL public information officer Ed Best says there's a reason people turn to amateur radio in a crisis. "Everything is portable," he says. "Generators, batteries, there is no commercial power that they can run." Ham volunteers work with local and national emergency response agencies and non-emergency services to provide communication in a crisis\&all for free. Their slogan: "When all else fails, ham radio works."

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Tens of Thousands of 'Hams' go On Air this Weekend:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28529

Tens of thousands of Amateur Radio operators will be firing up portable radio stations from unexpected locations this weekend. These radio operators aid in emergency communications support during major emergencies. Called "hams," they are often among the first to provide rescuers with critical information because they can send messages from isolated and remote locations without phones or Internet. On June 23-24, the public can meet these radio operators and, in some cases, get a chance to get on the air under the supervision of a ham. Over 35,000 operators will operate from parks, malls, schools and yards around the country. They'll send and receive messages to other operators in the U.S. and around the world. Using everything from digital and satellite communications to Morse code, "Field Day" is the climax of the week long "Amateur Radio Week" sponsored by ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. It's likely that there's a Field Day location near you, to find one go to www.ARRL.org/field-day-locator. Over the past year, the news has been full of reports of Amateur Radio operators providing communications during unexpected emergencies in towns across America including wildfires, winter storms, tornadoes and other events world-wide. "The fastest way to turn a crisis into a total disaster is to lose communications," said Allen Pitts of the ARRL. "From the tsunami in Japan to tornadoes in Missouri, ham radio provided reliable communication networks in the first critical hours of the events. Because ham radios are not dependent on complex systems, they work when nothing else is available. We need nothing between us but air." Their slogan, "Ham Radio Works" is more than just words to the hams as they prove they can send messages in many forms without any other infrastructure that can be compromised in a crisis. They invite the public to come and see ham radio's new capabilities and learn how to get their own FCC radio license before the next disaster strikes.

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Return of the Vacuum Tube:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28528

Peer inside an antique radio and you'll find what look like small light bulbs. They're actually vacuum tubes -- the predecessors of the silicon transistor. Vacuum tubes went the way of the dinosaurs in the 1960s, but researchers have now brought them back to life, creating a nano-sized version that's faster and hardier than the transistor. It's even able to survive the harsh radiation of outer space.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #25 de K7RA:

Posted: 22 Jun 2012 01:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28527

Sunspot numbers seemed to be in a free-fall this week. Average daily sunspot numbers declined over 29 points to 87. Average daily solar flux fell 6.2 points to 126.2. (We erred in last week's bulletin when we said the average daily solar flux for the week of June 7-13 was 115.9. It was really 132.4).

1081. [DXNL] DXNL 1785 (Jun 20, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-24 01:06:32 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <2121144796.20120624024913@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2748
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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DL, GERMANY
Until the end of the year, the OV Spreewald is working with the
special callsign DA0LSW in all modes on all bands on the occasion of
the Brandenburg Day 2012 (Sep 1/2). The station counts as a wildcard
for the Spree Forest award and also as a point for the F60 award.
QSL via bureau or direct to DM3ZF, LoTW. See also: http://www.y28.de

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS, AF-004
The radio amateurs celebrate the "Fiesta de San Juan" by activating the
special event station EH8FSJ until June 24. QSL via EA8RKL.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be on the air again
as GB100MWT from the Sandford Mill Museum on Jun 23 on the occasion of
the 100th anniversary of the opening of Marconi's factory in New Street
the first purpose-built factory for wireless applications.
QSL via RSGB bureau or direct to G0MWT. See: http://www.g0mwt.org.uk
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The Kent Weald Radio Club is active from the Headcorn airfield in
Kent (EU-005, WLOTA 1841, Loc JO01hd) using the fieldday station GB1HA
on all bands until Jun 24.
QSL via bureau or direct to G4IMP QTHR (the address in the callsign
list and the International Callbook is correct).

GM, SCOTLAND, EU-005
Paul,2E1EUB, will be active on 160m, 80m and via satellites (mostly
AO-7 B/A mode) and in SSB on 2m from the grid squares IO76, IO77, IO87
and IO86 for fourteen days starting on Jun 26. See also QRZ.com.

HH, HAITI, NA-096
Chris,HH4/W3CMP, is very active on HF from Haiti (NA-096) during his
evening hours until Jun 29. He will also try to work on 6m and 2m
(50.106, 50.117, 144.200 MHz). QSL via homecall.

JD1/OG, OGASAWARA ISLAND, AS-031
JA2MET is working as JD1BMG/JD1 from Ogasawara (AS-031) until Jun 24.
QSL via JA2MET.

ON, BELGIUM
Bart,ON3FMB, has founded the "Royal Air Force Memorial On The Air"
(RAF-MOTA) to remember the Allied pilots who were killed in action
in Belgium during World War II. ON3FMB, ON4VLM, ON5WAL, ON3EE, ON7KEI
and ON3EA will use the special callsign ON1RAFMOTA in SSB on 40m/20m,
in FM on 2m and in SSTV on 14230 kHz on Jun 23. QSL via ON4VLM.
See also: http://www.on-raf-mota.be

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Herman,P4/ON4QX, is active July 2. QSL via homecall.

PY, BRAZIL
The special event station ZZ190GOB marks the 190th anniversary of the
Masonic Lodge "Grande Oriente do Brasil" and can be found on the bands
until Jun 30. QSL via PT2OP.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI, OC-017
Benaia,T32BN, works for the police of the Kiritimati government and
thus could also be active sporadically as T30BN during job transfers
to Tarawa (OC-017). His manager Bill,VK4FW, helps putting up antennas.
QSLs via VK4FW.

TT, CHAD
Phil,F4EGS, returned to N'Djamena and will show up as TT8PK on HF from
this rare DXCC country until Aug 6. QSL via F4EGS.

UR, UKRAINE
Alexandr,UT4UP, meldet sich bis zum 23.Juni als UT4UP/p von der Festung
Kara-Tobe (WCA UR-00049, UCFA KR-009) in Saki. Eine Teilnahme am
World Castles Weekend ist vorgesehen. Der Funkbetrieb erfolgt auf
allen Baendern. QSL via homecall.

VE, CANADA
On the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the War in 1812 Craig,VE3OP
may use the special call VX3X in all modes on all bands from June 25
until July 25. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
George,WB3IGR/VP9, and Katherine,WB3LTH/VP9, ara available to the DXers
in SSB and digital modes on 160m-6m mainly during the mornings and
evenings until Jun 21. QSLs via homecalls.

W, USA
The Montgomery County Amateur Radio Club (MARC) in Maryland plans to
join the upcoming ARRL Fieldday (Jun 23/24) with the special call W3M
from Davis Airport (Loc FM19kf). Unfortunately QSL only direct to NH7C.

XV, VIETNAM
Andy,P29CS, is currently working in Vietnam and will show up on the
bands in his spare time during the next few weeks signing XV3C with

IC706, Spiderbeam for 10m, G5RV and a 500 watts amp. QSL via M0URX.

NEW AWARD FOR DXPEDITIONS
The "Cass Award" encourages DXpeditions to maximize the number of worked DXers. A prize of US$ 1.000 is awarded every year to this one-man DXpedition, which logs the most different callsigns within a period of four weeks. The award honors the wisdom and the spirit of Cass, WA6AUD (sk). His column "DX IS" in the West Coast DX Bulletin (WCDXB) was informative for a generation of DXers. The winner of this years "Cass Award" will be announced in March 2013. An "unlimited" category with a higher price will be introduced in 2013.
See also: http://www.CassAward.com

W9DXCC CONVENTION
The "Northern Illinois DX Association" invites everybody to join the 60th annual "W9DXCC DX Convention" at the Holiday Inn in Elk Grove Village, Illinois, on Sep 14/15. See also: http://www.w9dxcc.com

TEST CRUISE ON THE BALTIC SEA
Kristina Cruises Ltd. in collaboration with Radio Arcala (OH8X) is testing, whether a permanent amateur radio station can be set up for licensed passengers aboard the 138m long M/S Kristina Katarina. The test cruise takes place on Jun 20-24 via Estonia (ES), Gotland, Sweden (SM1) Aland Islands (OH0) back to Finland (OH). They want to ensure that there are no interferences with the electronics of the ship and to celebrate the installation of the station they want to work the WAC from onboard the ship. Their QRG is 14267 kHz.
QSL for OH10X/mm via OH2BH.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/OH10X and
http://www.kristinacruises.com/en/cruises/ms-kristina-katarina/introduction

eQSL: The users of the eQSL online database have loaded the 250 millionth record into the system by the end of May. eQSL includes QSO data from 322 countries now and they are expecting the 200.000th user in August. The three countries with the most users are the US, Great Britain and Germany. By connecting the German DARC Contest Logbook (DCL) with the eQSL service there are significant advantages in awards applications.

SILENT KEYS: Jean-Luc,F6BIV, has died. He was a wellknown DXpeditioner and DXer. As an active member of the "Clipperton DX Club" he was awarded the "Medal of Merit" for his services.
Sayed,SU1SA, President of the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD), passed away on June 13.
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost them, but grateful that we could get to know them as a radio friend. We will always keep them in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jun 23/24 King of Spain Contest
Jun 23/24 Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-008, JA1, North Izu Islands: JA2MET/1 will plans to hit the airwaves from Mikura-jima (Loc PM39tu) between Jun 26 and Jul 1. This island belongs to the Fuji-Hakone-Izu National Park (WFF JAFF-009). He will work in SSB and a little CW on all HF bands with focus on 6m. QSL via JA2MET.

EU-046, LA, Troms Couty group: Wolfgang,LA/DM2AUJ, will show up from Senja Island from Jun 24-28. Wolfgang announced to work mainly on the usual IOTA QRGs on HF. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-114, GU/MU, Guernsey group: Members of the Telford and District Amateur Society plan to visit Guernsey (WLOTA 0013, WAB WV27, Loc IN89qk) from Jun 22-27. Activities are planned as GP3ZME/p on HF/VHF/UHF/SHF. The locator IN89qk belongs to their campground, but this may change also when they look for better locations. During the weekends they will join several contests (e.g. 1,3 GHz and 50 MHz Contest UKug). Since they are travelling at the peak of the ES season they will focus their activities on 50 MHz. QSL via G3ZME (bureau) or M0PNN (direct).
For more information see: http://www.qrz.com/db/GP3ZME
http://www.tdars.org.uk and http://twitter.com/#!/@2W0ZJA

EU-157, F, Bretagne (Cotes-D'Armor East/Ille-Et-Vilaine) Region group: Gil,F4FET, Vincent,F4BKV, Eric,F4FJH, and Diego,F4HAU, will be active as TM0CEZ from three different islands of the IOTA group "Bretagne Region Group" between Jun 24 and Jul 7. They plan to visit the islands Cezembre (DIFM MA008), Agot (DIFM MA009) and Harbour (DIFM MA025, ARLHS FRA-020, WLOTA 1687) only during the days, without overnight stay on the islands. The exact dates depend on the weather and sea conditions. More information about the islands and their equipment can be found at: http://tm0cez.webs.com
QSL via F5CWU (bureau/direct).

NA-023, VP2V, British Virgin Islands: Dave,W9DR, is signing VP2V/W9DR in CW and SSB on 6m (50115.6 kHz CW and 50115 kHz SSB) from the British Virgin Islands (NA-023, Loc FK78tr) between Jun 21 and Jul 2. Dave is using a SDR-1500 with a HB Solid State aplifier and a 6-ele-yagi.
QSL see QRZ.com.

NA-092, W5, Texas State West: Brian,K0MCM/5, will join the ARRL Fieldday from Mustang Island (USi TX011S). On Jun 23 (starting around 1600 UTC) he will hand out a few IOTA points on 14340 kHz two hours before the contest. A special QSL will be sent for each QSO automatically.

NA-185, VY0, Nunavut (Keewatin Region) group: Dick,VY0/AH6EZ, and Harry,VY0/K9DXA, are going to visit Marble Island (CIsA NT-new!) for a few hours some time between Jun 25 and Jun 29. Otherwise they will be

QRV from a research station in Rankin Inlet (Kudlulik peninsula,
Kivalliq Region, Nunavut) from Jun 21 until Jul 2. They will also join
the Radio Canada Day Contest on Jul 1 signing VY0RAC (QSL via QRZ.com).
QSLs only direct only via their homecalls.
For more information see: http://ah6ez.yolasite.com

NA-213, W4, Alabama State group: Allan,KV4T/p, Steve,KI4GGJ/p, John,AJ4T/p,
Nicholas,KJ4AVG/p, and Gaston,W4CCF/p, will be active from Dauphin
Island (USi AL002S) from Jun 22-25. KV4T/p will hand out IOTA points
on 17m (CW) and AJ4T/p on 20m (SSB). The other OPs will be active
on other bands depending on the conds.
QSLs via the homecalls of the OPs (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities

JD1BMG/JD1 LH 2282 Jun 21-24
GB100MWT LH 1841 Jun 23

WFF activities

YOFF: YP2WFF is working from the Mures Floodplain Nature Park (YOFF-019)
on Jun 23. QSL via YO2MAB (bureau/direct).

YUFF: Milan,YU5CW, Milorad,YU1GW, Miro,YT1UM, and Mirko,YU3MMM, will show up
on the HF bands from the Nature Reserve "Obedska bara" (YUFF-039) on
Jun 23/24. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

26Jun-09Jul 2E1EUB 1785 *
Unknown 3B8MM 1777
11Jun-22Jun 5H9CP 1783
01Jan-30Jun 5P12EU 1760
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-15Jul 8J3XVI 1779
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
15May-31Jul 8N6JAPAN 1783
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
-8Jul 8T1M 1781
16Jun-24Jun 9H9IMW 1784
Unknown 9H3XX 1777
17Jun-29Jun 9H3ZZ 1784
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
10Jun-30Jun A6/DL9WVM 1783
18Jun-13Jul AC0QG/5 1784
22Jun-25Jun AJ4T/p 1785 *
15Jun-15Jul CG7CWPC 1784
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Unknown CR6BWU 1784
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
Unknown D3AA 1781
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785 *
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784

Unknown E40VB 1780
-31Dec E720RS 1770
05Jun-24Jun ED3CW.. 1783
-24Jun EH8FSJ 1785 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
01Jun-01Jul EM2012EURO.. 1782
01May-30Jun EM350S 1777
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
Unknown EV1150P 1779
14Jun-22Jun F/G3TTC 1784
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
01Jun-24Jun FO/F4EBT 1782
-Jul FR8NE 1710
08Jun-24Jun FS/K9EL 1783
-Jun G4BJC.. 1779
19May-27Jul G4WAB.. 1780
23Jun GB100MWT 1785 *
-24Jun GB1HA 1785 *
-19Jun GB50CCC 1782
15Jun-22Jun GB5SI 1784
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
22Jun-27Jun GP3ZME/p 1785 *

-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
-29Jun HH4/W3CMP 1785 *
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Resident HS0ZKG 1778

-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
12Jun-26Jun IM0/ON7ARQ 1783
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
26Jun-01Jul JA2MET/1 1785 *
-24Jun JD1BMG/JD1 1785 *
Unknown JT5NM 1781
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY9ET 1779
23Jun-24Jun K0MCM/5 1785 *
10Jun-30Jun K6ZRH/DU1 1783
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
22Jun-25Jun KI4GGJ/p 1785 *
22Jun-25Jun KV4T/p 1785 *

24Jun-28Jun LA/DM2AUJ 1785 *
Jun LU4ZS 1784
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
10Jun-24Jun N2W 1783
-15Aug NR4CB 1780
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Unknown OD5NJ 1784
20Jun-24Jun OH10X/mm 1785 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
23Jun ON1RAFMOTA 1785 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
17Jun-30Jun OZ/DO6EBB 1784
-02Jul P4/ON4QX 1785 *
-28Jun PA300BPM 1784
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784
-31Jul R200BS 1783
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
01Jun-30Jun R73EPC.. 1783
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
18Jun-30Jun SD1B/6 1784
01Jun-01Jul SN2012GD.. 1782
-31Jul SX135HRC 1784
sporadically T30BN 1785 *
Resident T32BN 1785 *
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770

-Jun T6MO 1733/1767/1781
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
17Jun-30Jun TF/VX3T 1784
Unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782
24Jun-07Jul TM0CEZ 1785 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755
-06Aug TT8PK 1785 *
-31Aug UE80C 1784
-23Jun UT4UP/p 1785 *

Jun V31WU.. 1782
-Jun V73/AF6SU 1784
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Jun-15Jul VC2L 1784
18Jun-02Jul VC390IC 1784
Jun VC3E 1782
-24Jun VC3O 1782
01Jun-31Jul VK100WIQ 1783
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782
30Jun-09Jul VP2MSR 1782
21Jun-02Jul VP2V/W9DR 1785 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
15Jun-15Jul VX3ROYL 1784
25Jun-25Jul VX3X 1785 *
21Jun-02Jul VY0/AH6EZ 1785 *
21Jun-02Jul VY0/K9DXA 1785 *
23Jun/24Jun W3M 1785 *
22Jun-25Jun W4CCF/p 1785 *
-21Jun WB3IGR/VP9.. 1785 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-Jul XV3C 1785 *
23Jun YP2WFF 1785 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774
-30Jun ZZ190GOB 1785 *

* new or updated
.. and other calls

QSL information

4J9NM (d) (*)
4L4ZA via DJ1CW (d)
5P1YF via DL1YFF (B)
9A7DCK/p via 9A7DCK
9K2KCBB via 9K2RA (B)
9Y4W via DL4MDO (B)
AJ4T/p via AJ4T (B)
CS7ABQ (L), eQSL

DA0LSW via (B), DM3ZF (d), (L)
DL/PY7COU via PY7COU
DL0FG via DL1YY
EA8/G7COD via G7COD
ED5DY via EA5DY
ED6QY via EA6QY
EF7NL via EA7NL
EH8FSJ via EA8RKL (EURAO-B), eQSL
EM7UT via UR7UT (B)
ES0/ES5ADD via ES5ADD
F5KAI/p via F5KAI (B)
FS/K9EL via K9EL (B)
GB100MWT via (B), G0MWT (d)
GB1HA via (B), G4IMP (d)
GB2OH (B)
GB2MBA (B)
GB4EPC via M0TVT(B), eQSL
GP3ZME/p via G3ZME (B), M0PNN (d)
GX0SCR/p via G4APL (B)
HB9SOLAR (B)
HE5LC via HB9LC (B)
HF2012DWR via SQ1DWR (B)
HH4/W3CMP via W3CMP
IB0/IZ0UIM via IZ0UIM, (L)
II5MD via IZ5JLW (B), (L)
IM0/IZ2RLO via IZ2RLO (B)
IN3/DD0VF via DD0VF (B)
IS0/ON7ARQ via ON7ARQ
IS0BSR/IM0 via IS0BSR
IT9MBZ/IH9 via IT9MBZ
JA2MET/1 via JA2MET (B)
JD1BMG/JD1 via JA2MET (B)
K0MCM/5 via K0MCM (B)
KI4GGJ/p via KI4GGJ (B)
KL7/W7IV via N7RO (B)
KV4T/p via KV4T (B)
LA/DM2AUJ via DM2AUJ (B)
OD5PY via KU9C
OH10X/mm via OH2BH
OK5EPC via OK1AW (B), eQSL
ON1RAFMOTA via ON4VLM (B)
ON6WL/p via ON5JE (B)
P4/ON4QX via ON4QX (B)
R200V via RK3LO(B)
R44WFF via RA3AKF (B)
S50LD/p via S50LD
S51RU/p via S51RU (B)
S53JP/p via S53JP
S57PZ/p via S57PZ
SF0K via SM0KCR (B)

SM0/JH0CJH via JH0CJH (B), (L)
SN0DMP via SP9PGB (B)
SR0FLY via SP2SGF
SV5/OM3AG/p via OM3AG (B), (L), eQSL
SV8/PA3DEU via PA3DEU (B)
SV8/PD0ARI via PD0ARI (B)
T30BN via VK4FW (B)
T32BN via VK4FW (B)
TA/UY2UQ via UY2UQ
TA3J/0 via TA3J (B)
TF/OM5CD via OM5CD (B)
TM0CEZ via F5CWU (B)
TM210VH via F4GFE (B)
TM24H via F6KFI (B)
TT8PK via F4EGS (B)
UR2LM/p via UR2LM (B)
US7IGN/p via US7IGN
UT4UP/p via UT4UP
UT7AXA/A via UT7AXA (B)
VP2V/W9DR QRZ.com
VR2/VO1AU via VO1MX (B)
VX3X via VE3OP (B), (L)
VY0/AH6EZ via AH6EZ (d)
VY0/K9DXA via K9DXA (d)
W2CXN/p via N2RQ
W2UFT/p via N2RQ
W3M via NH7C (d)
W4CCF/p via W4CCF (B)
WB3IGR/VP9 via WB3IGR
WB3LTH/VP9 via WB3LTH
XV3C via M0URX (B), (L)
YP2WFF via YO2MAB (B)
ZA/LA6IKA via LA6IKA
ZP7NIA via PY4KL (B)
ZZ190GOB via PT2OP (B)

(d) Only direct
(B) Bureau ok
(*) New QSL manager
(L) Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) E-mail request

QSL 4J9NM: Ralph,K2PF, is not the manager of 4J9NM anymore. QSLs should be
sent directly to: Denis Denisov, PO Box 18, AZ Baku 1000, Azerbaijan.

QSLs arrived direct: C31CT (via EA3QS, very quick), ZA100I (F4DTO)

QSLs arrived bureau: 5R8HL (SM1ALH), 6W/IK4ALM, 9L0W (AF-037, DK2WV),
A60ISG (IZ8CLM), BV100 (BV2KI), DH8LWA (EU-057), EV25G,
HB0/DF7FF, PJ2/DL5RDO (SA-099), PJ4N (SA-006, DJ8NK),
PJ5/SP6EQZ (NA-145), PR5D (SA-047, PY5DC), PU2SGL,

R1ANR/A (RK1PWA), SV5/DJ5AA/p (EU-001)

QSLs arrived LoTW: 4O3ANT, 4O/YT2A/p, 8P9XB, 9K2VO, CU2JX, CU2KG, EO2012U,
EO2012EFC, GI4ONL/P, HB0/DF5AU, HB9TVK/p, J27JUIN,
J37LR, J37T, J3/VE3EBN, JE4CIL/4, KL7RA, LA/DL2VFR,
LA/DL5DSM, MJ/EI9FBB, N5XZ, OE3DIA, PA4T, PT5T, PT7ZXU,
RA1QY/1, RI1FJ, SP5ES, TA4/YZ1SG, VK3EW, VK7AC, XQ7UP/
3,
YV5JF, YZ1SG/p

New amateur radio band in DL

The Federal Network Agency has given the permission to use the medium wave
for amateur radio service. Amateur radio operation is now allowed in the
frequency range 472-479 kHz (for holders of licence class A). This frequency
range was allocated to amateur radio on a secondary basis at the recent
World Radiocommunication Conference WRC-12 in Geneva. The power is limited
to 1 watt ERP and the maximum occupied bandwidth allowed is 800 Hz.

HAM RADIO fair in Friedrichshafen n Lake Constance

Tony, F8ATS/6W, will be at the booth of the "Clipperton DX Club/UFT" on
Saturday, Jun 23 from 13:00-14:00. If you bring your QSL along you can get
on from F8ATS/6W.

DXers and IOTA friends should make a note of the IOTA Forum and the joint
DX Forum of GDXF and DARC Committee for DX and HF Contesting:

Saturday, 10:00, Hall 2, Room 2

IOTA Forum of the RSGB
- IOTA Report by Roger, G3KMA
- IOTA Contest • New rules explained by Don, G3XTT
- DM50IOTA • Activation of all DL IOTAs by Ric, DL2VFR
- Presentation from Pitcairn (OC-044) and TX6T/p, Mangareva (OC-063) by
Nigel, G3TXF, and Jacques, F6BEE
- Presentation of 7O6T, Socotra (AF-028) by Harry, RA3AUU and Andy, UA3AB

Saturday, 15:00, Hall 2, Room 2

Joint DX Forum of the GDXF and des DARC Committee for DX and HF Contesting
- Awarding of the QSL TUeV and DARC DXCC Toplist
- Awarding of the GDXF DXpedition of the Year
- Presentation E51M by Jan, DJ8NK
- Presentation VP8ORK by Don, N1DG
- Presentation T32C by Neville, G3NUG
- Presentation HK0NA by Franz, DJ9ZB

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VA3RJ and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

1082. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 23 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-24 02:23:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81e225574004c32e8de3@google.com>
Source record: 2749
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio operators connect Anderson to the world at training -
Anderson Independent Mail

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 05:59 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGAsFyAn2ROrpMnH53MlSJXW7jr-g&url=http://www.independentmail.com/news/2012/jun/23/amateur-radio-operators-connect-anderson-world-tra/

Wilkes Barre Times-Leader
Amateur radio operators connect Anderson to the world at training
Anderson Independent Mail
When disasters strike, ham radio and amateur radio operators become a
lifeline, a link to the outside world, especially when connecting victims
to rescuers.
Amateur radio operators practice communications as hobby and ...KY3
Ham Radio Operators Conduct Field DayWBOY-TV
TEMECULA: Field Day readies ham radio users for emergencyNorth County Times
The Augusta Chronicle -Wilkes Barre Times-Leader -al.com (blog)
all 209 news articles

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Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny ... - San
Jose Mercury News

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 06:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGBIyhqZ0iGIiP-fTwFaB4jUMM3rA&url=http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_20925126/radio-heads-have-field-day-competing-airwaves-bonny

Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny ...
San Jose Mercury News
Amateur radio, also called ham radio, is the use of designated radio
frequency spectrum for private recreation or emergency communication.
Business use is ...

and more

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Amateur radio operators test equipment during annual Field Day - KPLC-TV

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 04:14 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEEUAW3r8HTt6QirUkg8JFSU5eHaQ&url=http://www.kplctv.com/story/18864148/amateur-radio-operators-test-equipment-during-annual-field

-day

Amateur radio operators test equipment during annual Field Day
KPLC-TV
Amateur radio operators in the lake area are gathering in Pindersosa Park in Westlake ... Many people might know HAM radios- or amateur radios- as one of the ...

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Ham radio field day turns into real life training - WLOX

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 03:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHjCZ6m6fgz4j28gueVGdDh2sp15A&url=http://www.wlox.com/story/18864086/ham-radio-field-day-turns-into-real-life-traning

Ham radio field day turns into real life training
WLOX
The Mississippi Coast Amateur Radio Association scheduled a field day for this weekend in Gautier. The idea was for ham radio operators to set up radio ...

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Cly White works the GOTA radio for the ham radio field day at Moss ... -
Shelby Star

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 04:39 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHyH5hUjllqZEsyeJAKUxVvywuuhA&url=http://www.shelbystar.com/news/lake-64953-moss-day.html

Cly White works the GOTA radio for the ham radio field day at Moss ...
Shelby Star
Ham radio field day returns to Moss Lake, fairgrounds | lake, moss, day, radio, ... Members of the Cleveland County Amateur Radio Service joined other radio ...
Amateur radio "Field Day"KXII-TV

all 2 news articles

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Sherman Club Marks Ham Radio Field Day - KTEN

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 03:59 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE3Knt36RtYlECEVXC9OgEbrxYgrQ&url=http://www.kten.com/story/18864170/sherman-club-marks-ham-radio-field-day

Sherman Club Marks Ham Radio Field Day
KTEN
SHERMAN, TX -- Ham radio operators got together for a special event on Saturday. Members of the Grayson County Amateur Radio Club held their annual Field ...
Police departments compete in rib-eating challengeKXII-TV

all 8 news articles

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Ham operators bask in the timelessness of their technology - Gainesville Sun

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 06:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG9dds2A29x5LUYUOdlUlRkoVwYHQ&url=http://www.gainesville.com/article/20120623/ARTICLES/120629799

Ham operators bask in the timelessness of their technology
Gainesville Sun
Each antenna allows Lightner to access different bands, or sets of frequencies, that the FCC has designated for amateur -- or HAM -- radio use. Using Lightners ...

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Abilene radio operators say their hobby could provide vital service in ... - ReporterNews.com

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFZmRsUAbLI1svkllHtQU_uozAzGg&url=http://www.reporternews.com/news/2012/jun/23/abilene-radio-operators-say-their-hobby-could-in/

Abilene radio operators say their hobby could provide vital service in ...
ReporterNews.com
Tatro advanced the theory that it came from the initials of Hiram Apercy Maxim, the founder of the Amateur Radio Relay League, the ham radio organization.

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Amateur radio club hosts field day - WGMB FOX 44

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 05:16 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE68_QNLWQ-P3SPVlXvzihCuLT3ew&url=http://www.fox44.com/news/amateur-radio-club-hosts-field-day

Amateur radio club hosts field day
WGMB FOX 44
"Amateur radio broadcasters arent allowed to broadcast music," said ... Ham radio began back in the 1930s, but these amateurs say the hobby isnt just for ...

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Ham radio ops set up 24-hour emergency demo - WWAY NewsChannel 3

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 12:59 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEMdf_xqKMEfNhM4T-TvFVFyLiDXQ&url=http://www.wwaytv3.com/2012/06/23/ham-radio-ops-set-24-hour-emergency-demo

WWAY NewsChannel 3
Ham radio ops set up 24-hour emergency demo
WWAY NewsChannel 3
Ham radio ops set up 24-hour emergency demo ... Because they use radio frequencies, amateur radio operators are often the first to communicate after a severe ...

1083. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 24 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-24 16:23:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81e2f6ca6304c33a4701@google.com>
Source record: 2750
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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N6L @ Lassen Volcanic National Park KFF-049 WVA-09 Aug.6th-12th 2012

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 08:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351345-N6L-Lassen-Volcanic-National-Park-KFF-049-WVA-09-Aug-6th-12th-2012&goto=newpost

For details please the event website.

http://lassenbirthday.blogspot.com

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Special Call 5P12EU ends at 30. june 2012

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 05:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351329-Special-Call-5P12EU-ends-at-30-june-2012&goto=newpost

June 30th at 22:00 UTC is the end of special call 5P12EU (Danish Presidency of European Union 2012)

The operators will be very active the last two days (June 29. ☐ 30.) to give the opportunity to have QSOs on as many bands as possible, since an award is obtainable for QSO on 3 bands (Bronze), 5 bands (Silver) and 7 bands (Gold). The pdf-version of the award is free of charge.

Especially we will draw the attention to 160M, where until now not many operators have been QRV so far.

Modes: CW and SSB ☐ and hopefully RTTY and PSK

Kind regards es good luck

Vy 73

OZ4CG Carsten, Award mgr

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IOTA DXPedition to Kaliage Besar Island OC 177 - YEM

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 06:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351282-IOTA-DXPedition-to-Kaliage-Besar-Island-OC-177-YEM&goto=newpost

Dear IOTA chasers & DXers,

After a successful DXpedition to IOTA OC-221, once again this year, ORARI DXpedition & Contest Team will travel to Kaliage Besar, Seribu Islands IOTA OC-177. This time we will operate YEØM from July 6 ☐ 9, 2012.

This DXpedition is in conjunctions to the ORARI 44th Anniversary (July 9, 2012) and IGK Manila, YBØAA 70th birthday (July 8, 2012).

Kaliage Besar is a 6.46 hectares island in the Seribu Islands. This beautiful island is a non populated recreation resort located at Latitude 05:39.380 & Latitude 106:34.120 or Grid Locator OI34GI.

During the DXpedition YE0M will operate 4 x 24 hours, all mode, all band (2 ☐ 160 meter band), SSB, CW & RTTY. The operators are almost the same with our previous ☐Ohoi Ew, Kei Islands IOTA OC-221 ORARI DXpedition☐. QSL Via YB1GJS Only.

For futher information please see on a website : www.ye0m.com

See you in pile ups...!

YEØM Team

1084. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 24th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-24 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120624200004.2A25B33C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2651
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 24th June 2012

Short Wave Listeners

Short Wave Listener members will have seen the item on Page 4 of the current issue of Echo Ireland about call book entries. SWLs who want to be included in published listings are asked to email Joe Ryan EI7GY, the Membership Records Officer, at memrecords /at/ irts.ie

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HF News Readers Needed

Additional HF newsreaders are required to cover the 40 & 80M news broadcasts over the summer months due to holidays etc. Any members that wish to join the panel and are available to read the HF news would be most welcome. Please send an email to info /at/ irts.e

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Change in 40 Metre News Frequency

The present 40 metre radio news frequency has become increasingly busier on Sunday mornings. This has lead on occasions to some difficulty in the reception of both the bulletins and the reports on the transmissions. It has been decided, therefore, to move the transmission of the 40 metre news to a new frequency of 7123 kHz on and from Sunday the 1st of July. This frequency was selected after monitoring a range of frequencies over a period of time by amateurs who use this particular transmission of the radio news bulletin.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

On Sunday last, 17th of June. SEARG participated in the IRTS counties contest form Tankardstown on the Copper Coast Geopark in Co. Waterford. This is the same location the club uses for it's annual participation in the Geopark Communications Weekend. SEARG would like to thank Paula McCarthy of the Copper Coast Geopark management for once again allowing us to use this great site.

Today, Sunday 24 June, South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will be active as EI2WRC/p from the Butlerstown & District Vintage Society's 4th Annual Field Day at Orchardstown, Co. Waterford in aid of the Irish Red

Cross (Portlaw) and Tramore Coast Guard.

The field day will include vintage cars, bikes and tractors as well as stationary engines, mini farm, amusements, bouncy castles, a hurling tournament and refreshments. SEARG will operate a portable station at the rally and will have an SDR radio on display for the public.

Theory classes continue every Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the Roanmore Social & Sports club, Cleaboy Road, Waterford.

For laters information about the club, visit www.searg.com

2012 IARU HF World Championship

The 2012 IARU HF World Championships will take place during the second full weekend of July, beginning at 12:00 UTC on Saturday 14 July and ending at 12:00 UTC on Sunday 15 July 2012.

The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU Member Society HQ stations, around the world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands using phone and/or CW.

All IARU Region 1 Member Societies are invited to actively participate with their official stations and to encourage their members to also participate.

The rules for the 2012 contest are available on http://bit.ly/9droX1

EI0IRTS

Affiliated clubs and individuals are invited to help put EI80IRTS on the air in this our 80th Anniversary year. If you or your club wish to use EI80IRTS please contact Ger McNamara EI4GXB at ei4gxb /at/ gmail.com or Thos Caffrey EI2JD at thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com. Reports from SWL's are particularly welcome and a very attractive award is available for working the station.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is happy to announce that their next event is on Sunday 8-July. The NCRG will activate Seefin Mountain.

This will be the 6th event and field day of the North Cork Radio Group this year; meeting at 10AM in the morning, to jointly go to the summit to activate. The rendezvous point will be at the entrance to Millstreet Country Park. More details on exact location to be found on our Facebook Page.

As usual NCRG events are free for members and non-members to participate and attend. We do appreciate that you will let us know if you are planning of attending. The normal coffee/tea/biscuits will be

available for all to enjoy. Non-Members are very welcome; licensed or not. If you are licensed and want to work our stations and absorb the atmosphere of our club and activations, or if you are not-licensed and would like to know more about Amateur Radio and the NCRG and their many activations; let us know, and come along!

Using the EI1NC/P call-sign; we hope to either see or work many of you!

Let's go up a mountain, have a field day with lots of radio fun! If you are planning of attending; let us know!

DX News

Yuri N3QQ and Richard N7RO will be in Pago Pago, American Samoa from 27 June until 3 July. They will operate as KH8/KL7RRC or possibly KH8RRC during their spare time with emphasis on 40 - 10m. QSLs go via UA9OBA.

The ARRL added the DXCC entity of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta to the DXCC list some 30 years ago. There have been occasional activities over the years from SMOM which is based in Rome. The next such activity is announced for 1 - 4 July. The callsign to be used is 1A0C (One A Zero C) . SMOM is considered one of the rarest European DXCC entities. The preferred QSL route is via the Online QSL Request System.

Dave W9DR is QRV from the British Virgin Islands from now until 2 July. He is operating on 6m and the callsign to look out for is VP2V/W9DR. QSLs go via his home call.

In June 2007 a group of amateurs operated as AN8TID from the Teide Volcano on Tenerife in the Canary Islands. Now 5 years on a further activity will take place from 30 June until 2 July. This time the callsign will be EH8TID and will be at a height of 3555m above sea level. This is 163m from the top of the volcano. They will be active on 80 - 6m using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31.

Olympic 2012 Operating Restrictions

To support the operation of the 2012 Olympic games, restrictions on the use of the 2m, 70cm, 2.3GHz and 3.4GHz bands will be in place between 28 June and 23 September 2012. These restrictions apply to both UK amateurs and amateurs visiting the UK. Details on the restrictions can be found on the RSGB website at http://bit.ly/9droX1

2012 Leap Second

The last minute of June 30th 2012 UTC will be 61 seconds long, the extra second being a "leap second". Leap seconds are introduced to maintain synchronisation between atomic clocks and more traditional

time scales such as Greenwich Mean Time. These leap seconds are introduced approximately every 18 months, at the end of June or December, usually to give the Earth's rotation a chance to catch up on our clocks. In Ireland the leap will take place close to 1am Irish Summer Time.

This leap second represents a chance to record the leap second by DXing an international time signal (e.g. Rugby on 60kHz, Moscow on 4.996 MHz). As the future of leap seconds is under discussion at the ITU, this could be the last chance to have a QSO with a leap second!

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1085. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1067

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-24 21:43:37 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <79271.93307.qm@smtp110.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2652
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1067
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1067

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1067
BID: $OPDX.1067
June 25, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 17th-June, through Sunday, 24th-June there were 204 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E3, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5H, TANZANIA. Ro, DL4ME, will once again be active as 5H3ME between August 14th and September 3rd. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands from 80-6 meters using CW and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign.

9H, MALTA. Zoltan, HA5PP, will once again be active as 9H3PP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 15 or 10m) entry. Activity outside of the contest will take place a few days before the contest and will be on 17 and 12 meters. QSL via HA5PP.

D6, COMOROS (Update/Dates). A team of Europeon operators will be active as D64K from Ngazidja (Grande Comore), Comoros Islands (IOTA AF-007), between August 8-20th. The current list of operators mentioned are Salvador C31CT/EA3QS, Sigi/DL7DF, Josep/EA3AKY, Fabrizio/IW3SQY, Paolo/ IV3DSH, Franco/IZ8GCE and Les/SP3DOI. The team has already obtained all permissions, and the license has been sent to the DXCC Desk. Pilot station is Stan/KH6CG. Their license covers from 160 to 6 meters, so the guys will be active on all bands and modes, and they are even considering the possi- bility of working on 60m and 6m. The QSL Manager will be Paolo, IV3DSH. More details will be forthcoming. Watch the following for updates:
http://www.d64k.com
https://twitter.com/#!/D64K

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
TL9ES &#65533; Central African Republic; 2011 Operation
TT8ES &#65533; Chad; 2012 Operation

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK (New Feature). With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings, we thought to list and prepare you for the upcoming NH8S Swains Island DXpedition:
* Swains Island Aerial Assessment (an unlisted video):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;tO7LX-EAY
* A team from National Marine Sanctuaries visit Swains Island:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;piF9O-1OI&
* 2006 KH8SI Swains Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;-YBZT0W1s
* Interesting documentary of Olohega or Swains Island. The island was annexed to the United States. Its former inhabitants were evicted almost sixty years ago from their island and long to return. They claim it belongs to the Tokelau Islands.
Videos Part 1, 2 and 3:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;t81PZHyU0
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;eIQJ8PI0o
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;mraGZfc4c

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Operators Wayne/N6NB and Carrie/W6TAI will be active as E51YNB and E51TAI, respectively, from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) for the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th). Activity is expected to start a few days before and after the contest. Operations will be on 40-15 meters SSB only. Wayne tells OPDX, " If all goes well we'll have an IC-7000 and a THP HL-550FX amp (500 watts), with a TH2 (Hy-Gain 2-element tribander) plus a dipole for 40. We may pass on 80 because the noise level there was extremely high when we were in Rarotonga for the ARRL Phone DX Contest." QSL both callsigns via N6NB. Read about their

first operation at: http://commfaculty.fullerton.edu/woverbeck/e51ynb.htm

FP, ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON. Mike, VE2XB, will once again be active as FP/VE2XB from St. Pierre & Miquelon Islands (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417) between August 10-20th. Activity will have a special focus on 6 meters, but he will also be active on all bands from 80-6 meters. He states that he will be bring his THP amp for 500w, so his signals should be good with the Hexbeam. QSL via VE2XB (see QRZ.com).

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-120. Members of the Nicosia Amateur Radio Club were expected to activate the "Agios Georgios" islet off the coast of Akamas, Cyprus, as C4MG this past weekend. QSL via 5B4KH.

EU-016. Brani, OM2FY, will be active as 9A/OM2FY from Brac Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/ DXpedition/CW-Mode/24H entry. QSL via OM2FY.

EU-031. Gian, IC8WIC, will be active from Capri Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign or by the Bureau.

EU-038. Operators Paul/PA3FUN, Jerry/PH9HB, Jan/PD1AIQ and Bram/PE1OPK will be active as PA6NH from Texel Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via PA6NH (see QRZ.com).

EU-046. Wolfgang, DM2AUJ, will be active as LA/DM2AUJ from Senja Island between June 24-28th. Activity will be on the HF bands on or around the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-076. Wolfgang, DM2AUJ, will be active as LA/DM2AUJ from Lofoten Island between June 30th and July 10th. Activity will be on the HF bands on or around the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-112. (Cancelled!) Members of the GMDX Group (Scotland's DX Association) planned to activate GB5SI from Shiant Isles [House Island) between June 15-22nd. Reason for it being cancelled was not provided.

EU-124. Members of the Strumble Head DX and Contest Group (SHDXCG) will once again be activating Ramsey Island between July 12-16th. Activity will be on all bands from 40-6 meters using 2 Hexbeams and a Windom. This year they are hoping to have a station dedicated to the Digital modes, mostly RTTY, using a TS480 at 200w and one of the Hexbeams. They have also analyzed their logs and seen that there is a shortage of contacts with North and South America, and also the countries around the Caribbean. They have looked at the terrain and the location of the antennas with a view to getting one Hexbeam a little higher to clear a small ridge that blocks the westernly

direction allowing these contacts to be made. As usual, QSL via the manager Tim, M0URX, (see www.m0urx.com) using his OQRS system for a speedy turn around. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and Clublog as soon as they get back to the mainland. All details and (hopefully) a daily blog will be available on their Web site at: http://www.mc0shl.com
The team has also advised that they will operate from their farm HQ if they are unable to make the crossing to the island due to bad weather but will announce on air if this is the case.

EU-178. Operators Dominik/SQ7OXU, Constantin/RD1AR, Sergey/UA1ANA and Jack/SP7DPJ will be active as ES0W from Ruhnu Island between July 26-30th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/Dxpediton/Low-Power entry. Antennas will be a Hexbeam and Inverted Vs. QSL via SP7DPJ, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-029. Operator Ken, K6LA, will operate from Prince Edward Island in eastern Canada using the VY2TT superstation (Grid Square FN76vs, CISA PE-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Mixed/24H entry. QSL via K6LA.

NA-129. John, VE8EV, will be active as VE8EV/p from Banks Island (Grid CQ71) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Watch for possible updates on his Blog page at: http://ve8ev.blogspot.com

NA-136. Adam, W1ASB, will be active as W1ASB/P from Ram Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power/ Unassisted/ 12HR entry. QSL via the info on QRZ.com.

OC-135. (Update to OPDX.1066) Han, SM6CVX, plans to be active as P29VCX from Bougainville Island (not Buka Island) between November 6-9th. QSL via his home callsign.

K2, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Next weekend starts the 4th annual "Original 13 Colonies - Independence Week - Special Event", which begins 12:01 AM Eastern (0401Z), on July 1st, (That's one minute after midnight, early Sunday morning, July 1st) to 11:59 PM Eastern (0359Z July 6th) ending on July 5th (One minute to midnight, late Thursday night, July 5th). Recognizing that "Independence Day" (July 4th) comes in the middle of the week (Wednesday) and that some operators will be going to their work on the 2nd, 3rd and 5th, they have added a BONUS DAY on Saturday, June 30th, 2012!! Stations will operate from 09:00 AM Eastern (1300Z) right through until the 5th. Keep in mind that there may be fewer operators available on the work days, so PLEASE BE PATIENT! There will be at least two S.E. stations per colony state. Also included will be Super contest stations, multi-operator Club stations, and OM & XYL teams. Activity will be on 160-2 meters, except 60/30/17/12m, and using all modes (Satellites, CW, SSB and the Digital modes - but it is up to the individual colony

state station). The Colony state stations to look for are: K2A (New York), K2B (Virginia), K2C (Rhode Island), K2D (Connecticut), K2E (Delaware), K2F (Maryland), K2G (Georgia), K2H (Massachusetts), K2I (New Jersey), K2J (North Carolina), K2K (New Hampshire), K2L (South Carolina) and K2M (Pennsylvania). "ALL" Colony stations will issue a special event QSL card this year! Also, a special certificate is available. For complete details, visit their Web page at: http://www.13colonies.info

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (June 25th-July 1st)....
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

LJ2, NORWAY (Special Event). Look for special event station LJ2T to be active from "The Signals Museum of the Norwegian Armed Forces" near Lillehammer, Norway (locator JP51ED), between June 28th and July 1st. Activity will be on many bands and modes, most likely from 80 meters to 4 meters (70 MHz). QSL via LA5EAA. More info available at: http://www.qrz.com/db/lj2t

LY200/LY54, LITHUANIA (Special Events).....
LY200NB - Will be on the air last ten days of June to celebrate the 200th anniversary of Napoleon Army crossing river Nemunas in Kaunas, Lithuania. For more details, see QRZ.com. Also, see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Napoleonic_Wars

LY54SOP - Will be on the air during July 1-31st, to celebrate the 54th anniversary of SOP (Sea of Peace), Baltic Sea. Every year in July the radio amateurs of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern district accomplish special activities supporting the application of the SOP. The SOP is awarded for contacts with different countries/areas bordering the Baltic Sea and Norway each year during the month of July. For more details, see: http://www.amateurfunk-mvp.de/inhalte/sopdipl.htm

QSL both callsigns via LY5W (see QRZ.com). Working these stations, you have a good chance to work a new prefix for the LY WPX Trophy, LY WPX Trophy Honor Roll and the Baltic States WPX Trophy.

OH, ALAND ISLANDS. Czech senior operators Bob/OK2BOB, Franta/OK1HH and Jindra/OK1AMM will be active as OH0/homecall between June 24th and June

30th. Activity will be mainly CW and SSB on 160-6 meters. The WW LOC will be KP00AC on Aland Islands (EU-002). QSL via the OK Bureau or direct.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated June 24th)

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3A/DG5NFF via DG5NFF FJ/W6JKV via W6JKV LZ1515PSB via LZ1KCP
9A8VB via UA4WHX FK8CE via LZ1JZ ON50HC via ON3AIM
CE2/VE7SV via VE7WY HB0/DL6CX via DL6CX PA914PORSCHE via PA1PDJ
DR0ALSFELD via DL1RI HG1DX via HA1XR RA75PD via RK3DYB
EA5/DL5EO via DL5EO HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ VY2/DL1FDH via DL1FDH
ED1J via EA1GPL IH9/IK0SXU via IK0SXU VY2/F8BMG/P via F8BMG
EG0URA via EA7URA JT1DDD via JA2VWG W6GO/KH6 via W6GO
EH2CJW via EA2CJW KP2/K3TN via K3TN W7F via AI4U
EH3EPC via EB3JT LY200NB via LY5W

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4U1ITU, 4X6KA, 5P12EU, 6O0CW, C4Z, CO2VE, CT1UA, CU2JT, EI7JK, EI8FH, EV1R, FS/K9EL, HK3TU, IZ3DVU, KH2D, KH7L, KP2/K3TN, LY3BW, LY3W, MM0BGN, RT6A, RG6G, RT6A, SN2012WA, UA2FL, US0MS, UT7ND, VC2W, VE1OP, VE9NC, VK3EW, YO3VU, YV5RED and ZC4LI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5N7M, 6O3A, 6O0CW, 9M0L, AA1BU/KP2, CE2WQ, CP4BT, DL2RU/P, E51NNN, FG8NY, HK0NA, HR5/F2JD, IH9WKH, J79IU, JY5HX, KG2A/VP9, KH8/N9YU, MU0FAL, PJ7/IK2QPR, SV2BOH, VK9PN, XU7DLH, YB8Y, YW5PI, ZD7VC and ZL7VR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4S7KKG, 5A1A, 6V7Z, HB0/DF7EF, HP1WW, HS0ZFA, S9DX, V55V/P and ZD8O

TY, BENIN. Pat, LA0HF, will be active as TY2BP from Fidjross&#65533;, Cotonou, beginning June 26th, for a minimum of 30 days, up to 45 days. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters. QSL via IK2IQD.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update). On June 15th, the 2014 Cordell Expedition to Heard Island announced the initial team for the DXpedition. At this time this list is incomplete; it will be augmented in the coming months. The partial list of operators are Bob/KK6EK (Team Leader/Organizer), Peter/ON6TT (Co-Organizer), Christian/DL1MGB (Co-Organizer), Mike/N6MZ (Co-Organizer), Bill/AA7XT, Alan/AD6E, Gerd/DJ5IW, Franz/DJ9ZB, George/ N4GRN, Paul/N6PSE, Dr. Carlos/NP4IW (Logistics), Wes/W3WL and Dr. Glenn/ W0GJ (Physician). Non-operators from USA Dr. Jeffrey Bozanic (Co-Organ- izer, Environmental Science, Antarctic Diving) and Joan Boothe (Doc- umentation, Explorers Club). The support team (partial list) includes Rich/KY6R (Pilot/Software), Dean/N7XG (Software) and Peter/W6OP (Software). The next round of team members will be announced on August 15th. This project follows the very successful expedition to Heard Island carried out by this group in 1997. Details of that operation can be seen at: http://www.cordell.org/HI
The Web site for the 2014 DXpedition is at: http://www.cordell.org/HD

YN, NICARAGUA. Mike, AJ9C, will be active as YN2CC from Granada, Nicaragua, between November 20-28th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Also, Mike will be in the CQWW DXCW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Sinlge-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to his home callsign.

VY0, CANADA (Nunavut Territory). Rob, KC0VEU, will once again be active as homecall/VY0 from Eureka, Ellesmere Island, Nunavut (NA-008, Grid Loc. EQ79ax) until July 5th. He is there on official business. Sometime during his stay, and weather permitting, he will attempt to operate from the PEARL facility 15km away which is located at 80°N - 86°25'W, and therefore in the rare ER grid (ER60) for those who chase the CQ Grid Fields award and the rare ITU Zone 75. PEARL (the Polar Environment Atmospheric Research Laboratory) is also a separate base for the Arctic Challenge <www.french-polar-team.fr>. This is Rob's fifth time on Ellesmere. PLEASE NOTE: KC0VEU recently passed his Extra class exam and is expecting a new callsign in the "AD0" prefix block, but will still sign / VY0. QSL direct or by the Bureau to his home callsign.

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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject°subscribe>
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1086. eHam.net News for Sunday 24 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-24 22:29:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81e2fe417804c33f66eb@google.com>
Source record: 2653
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Still Thriving:

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 02:38 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28532

Think ham radio has gone the way of the dodo? Think again, because amateur (also known as ham) radio is not only thriving, but it's also essential in assisting during an emergency. Don't let the name fool you. Amateur radio isn't something that anyone with a walkie-talkie can do. The federal government requires all amateur radio operators to take a test and be licensed in order to use the radio channels for amateur radios, as well as have call signs. For Charlie Ristorcelli of Poway (call sign NN3V), it's more than just an occasional fun hobby. Raised overseas where there was little infrastructure, he grew up with amateur radio being used to radio between towns for needed supplies and listening to shortwave radio for news. After receiving his amateur radio license in 1976, Ristorcelli began collecting amateur radio equipment -- everything from hand-built kits to more modern, advanced equipment. He also used his amateur radio knowledge in the military, where in the Gulf War he was involved in setting up one of the first computer-to-computer amateur radio systems, used to communicate ship-to-shore with packet radio. "It was the dawn of packet radio tech, which was like email," said Ristorcelli. Ristorcelli uses his vast array of amateur radio equipment to help in emergencies as well. Amateur radio is a huge benefit in emergencies, especially when cellphone and telephone systems become overloaded and inoperable. Hams (as amateur radio operators are known as) can use high frequency (HF) antennas to reach across the city, state, country or even the globe, depending on the size and strength of the antenna.

1087. HOT SEXY VIDEOS AND ROMANTIC BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 01:41:02 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b205a8e9-3c05-4204-8da4-5ca69774f496@f8g2000pbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2654

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
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ONLY HOT HOT
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1088. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 24 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 02:23:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a4e0247a04c342aabe@google.com>
Source record: 2655
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio operators practice communications as hobby and ... - KY3

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 07:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFrpwJvBvI5d72bHg6n6CkR2MnNbA&url=http://articles.ky3.com/2012-06-23/amateur-radio_32385426

CBS Local
Amateur radio operators practice communications as hobby and ...
KY3
Its a chance for the public to see what amateur radio is all about, as well as a ... Running on solar and battery power, Springfield Ham radio operators set up at ...
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Amateur radio operators participate in field day - Janesville Gazette

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 02:03 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGSt-_ikb9ZlTVeAMpXajSgZ3L6vg&url=http://gazettextra.com/news/2012/jun/24/some-day-ham-could-save-you-amateur-radio-operator/

Hays Daily News
Amateur radio operators participate in field day
Janesville Gazette
Carl Cramer and about 15 members of his ham radio club, the Greater Beloit Amateur Radio Club, have been camped out this weekend at Threshermans Park ...
Huntsville area ham radio operators have a fun time during a mock ...al.com (blog)
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Ham radio operators hit the airwaves in Mamaroneck - The Journal News | LoHud.com

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Ham radio operators hit the airwaves in Mamaroneck
The Journal News | LoHud.com
Ham radio operators across the United States and Canada took part in the event ... other amateur radio operators in the United States and Canada taking part in ...
Ham Radio Users Gather For Contest In MamaroneckThe Daily Voice
Emergency simulation puts radio operators to testHistoric City News

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Ham radio still going strong -- and still useful -- in the age of the ... - Ottawa Citizen

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG2F9uCg78dRAMIeXsxHn8GXXGnnw&url=http://www.ottawacitizen.com/news/radio%2Bstill%2Bgoing%2Bstrong%2Bstill%2Buseful%2Bsmartphone/6833601/story.html

Ham radio still going strong -- and still useful -- in the age of the ...
Ottawa Citizen
The Ottawa Amateur Radio Club, one of several such groups in the area that ... Danylchenko and MacDonell acquired their enthusiasm for ham radio honestly.

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radio enthusiasts ham it up for field day - Vallejo Times-Herald

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radio enthusiasts ham it up for field day
Vallejo Times-Herald
... means of communication, Vallejo s amateur radio enthusiasts are ready. ... the Mare Island museum during HAM radio field day at Alder Park on Saturday.

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Ham operators bask in the timelessness of their technology - Gainesville Sun

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 12:25 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGv8QHlgzfiLk7ArsAFbQKn3A1_jQ&url=http://www.gainesville.com/article/20120623/ARTICLES/120629799/1002/NEWS?Title%3DHam-operators-bask-in-the-timelessness-of-their-technology-

Ham operators bask in the timelessness of their technology
Gainesville Sun
Amateur radio operators Warren Croke, center, and Richard Mann listen
for ... of frequencies, that the FCC has designated for amateur — or HAM —
radio use.

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Radio Hams of America Celebrate Annual Event Nationwide - KEYC TV

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 04:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGSK6xYg8M200d6T-cDAvEAPersjg&url=http://www.keyc.tv/story/18867639/radio-hams-of-america-celebrate-annual-event-nationwide

Radio Hams of America Celebrate Annual Event Nationwide
KEYC TV
This weekend amateur radio monitors participated in "Field Day" the last
event for this years annual ... Their slogan is "When all else fails, Ham
Radio Works.

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Amateur radio "Field Day" - WLBT-TV

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 08:40 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGBKRnoE5B3ZADJ4KMO4zSgmO1Mbg&url=http://www.wlbt.com/story/18863799/amateur-radio-field-day

Amateur radio "Field Day"
WLBT-TV
You know, you have this bond as a ham radio operator that are people just
like you. We like to think as were good will for amateur radio," says
Chairman of the ...

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1089. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 25 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 11:03:28 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf307c9c3055569204c349edfd@google.com>
Source record: 2656
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB100MWT from Sandford Mill Museum

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wvCfyrmbI6c/gb100mwt_from_sandford_mill_museum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Saturday, June 23, the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society operated GB100MWT to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the opening of the world's first purpose built radio factory

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Ham Operators needed to support Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z70Eg48tZSI/ham_operators_needed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Volunteers are needed to provide communications in support of this worthwhile event. It takes place along the Cabot Trail in Nova Scotia August 3-5, 2012 and involves cycling road routes with more than 100 cyclists participating and more than 50 volunteers

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100 memory buttons and more for Flex PowerSDR

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IK_hDNAOmWU/flexbuttons.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew, ZL3DW announces the release of FlexButtons - donationware software that adds memory buttons for PowerSDR (Flex SDR Radios) and an integrated CAT interface to MixW digi-mode software

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FS0XtWcIWks/dxcc_report_2506.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 17th-June, through Sunday, 24th-June there were 204 countries active

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Online Sample Exams

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The Radio Society of Sri Lanka has made available online sample Exam Papers
for the RAE, both General Class and Novice

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B6A4woTGj9c/june_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected Solar activity
will be at low levels. Major Sunspot 1 504 is rotating out of view and only
a few minor sunspots are now visible

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FMJZtJmxUNg/june_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Launching antenna support lines with air canon

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-zoij-RcRoE/launching_antenna_support_lines_with_air_canon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Preparation for the 2012 ARRL field day in the San Mateo Beresford park by
the San Mateo Amateur Radio Club W6UQ

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When All Else Fails Amateur Radio Gets Through

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Part-way though a QSO between Dave, M0OGY and Ian VK3MO in Melbourne
Australia, they had a Maritime Mobile station asking for help

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LEGO Turing Machine video

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Andre Theelen PH7AT has made a short documentary about a Turing Machine
built out of LEGO

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Introduction to Datamodes video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qdMiSVJi--k/introduction_to_datamodes_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video provides an overview of datamodes used in Amateur Radio, aimed
at those new to datamodes

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History This Week

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4ClHXP70yY4/history_25_june.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1090. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 24th June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 12:00:26 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120625120003.CB7DD33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2657
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 24th June 2012

The news headlines:

* RadCom magazine suffers distribution delays

* Invitation to consult on 2m data channel reassignment

* AMSAT-Oscar 7 celebrates 10-year new lease of life

Gremlins have hit the July RadCom mailing. Investigations are continuing to determine the source and scope of the problem, but the RSGB is aware that many Members have yet to receive their copy. An electronic version of the July edition has been made available on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/radcom. Click on the words View free sample RadCom, located on the right of the page.

The RSGB is conducting a consultation on proposals put forward for the re-assignment of the 2m band data channels. This comes from pressure for assigning new digital internet gateways. The proposal leaves a significant number of channels for packet radio and other interests. All interested amateurs, whether RSGB Members or not, are invited to join the Litmus Test by following the `We need your Views' link on the RSGB home page, www.rsgb.org.

Amateur satellite AMSAT-Oscar 7 was launched in November 1974. It worked for around 8 years, until its batteries short- circuited in mid-1981. 20 years on, the batteries mysteriously went open circuit and the satellite came back to life, operating purely from its solar cells. On 21 June 2002, the satellite was heard again, and last Thursday marked 10 years of AO-7 operating in this second lease of life. The full story is at www.uk.amsat.org/8524.

Following the recent decision at the World Radiocommunication Conference 2012, the Malta Communications Authority granted Maltese amateurs access to 472-479kHz from 31 May. The country's National Frequency Plan identifies this as a Secondary allocation, with a maximum power of 1 watt EIRP.

The planned Radio for Young People ARDF day at Bracknell on 24 June has been cancelled, due to the small number of applicants.

The ARISS digipeater on the International Space Station has changed frequency from 145.825MHz to 437.550MHz. Packet operations were moved to the Columbus Module UHF radio when the Kenwood D700 radio was

recently powered down. This was because its power outlet was required for an additional air purifier to support the recently-arrived automated transfer vehicle. The Russian team has agreed to briefly reconnect the radio for scheduled ARISS school contacts but then will re-activate the purifier. This situation seems likely to continue until the automated transfer vehicle departs in September.

Barry Amateur Radio Society club would like to thank Kenwood Electronics UK Ltd for the loan of equipment for their Olympic flagship station 2 Oscar 1 2 W. The radios have already been on the air for a range of events, including covering progress of the Olympic Torch through South Wales. Look out for 2012W and the Barry Club on the air, not just over the Olympic period but throughout 2012. You can see the latest operating news on the club's website at www.bars.btik.com.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. In celebration of the new Bomber Command memorial to be unveiled in London on 28 June, GW3OQK plans to put his vintage T1154 and R1154 on the air. He invites other amateurs to join him on 40 and 80m, CW and AM, saying he would love to hear the chirp of some other old gear amongst the rock-steady modern transmissions.

Next Sunday, 1 July, is Alexanderson Day, which means that the World Heritage-listed SAQ transmitter will be on the air. This unique Swedish transmitter uses an Alexanderson Alternator to generate its 17.2kHz signals. It will be run up at 08:30 UTC and a message sent at 09:00. The machine will be started again at 11:30 UTC and a second message sent at 12:00. Special event station SK6SAQ will be operating on the same day on 3.755kHz from 07:00 UTC, plus 14.035MHz CW and 14.215MHz SSB between, and just after, the two SAQ transmissions. Full information is online at www.alexander.n.se.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Hull & District Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open event today at the HADARS Club House, Walton Street Leisure Centre, Goathland Close, Walton Street, Hull HU3 6JB. Doors open for viewing at 10.30am. There will be a Bring and Buy, followed by an auction at 1pm. A BBQ and refreshments will be available. Further details from Julian on 07901 230 012.

Also today, the West Of England Radio Rally takes place at the Cheese & Grain, Bridge Street, Frome, Somerset BA11 1BE. There will be car parking, catering, disabled facilities, trade stands and an RSGB book stall. Contact Shaun, G8VPG, on 01225 873 098.

Sunday 1 July sees the Barford Norfolk Radio Rally at Barford Village Hall & Green, Barford, Norwich NR9 4AB. The location is 9 miles southwest of Norwich, close to the A11 and A47. There is talk-in on S22, car parking, and the gates open at 9am. Admission is £1.50, with children free. There will be a car boot sale, Bring & Buy, trade

stands, prize draw, refreshments available, plus disabled facilities. Contact radio@dcpmicro.com for more information.

Also on Sunday 1 July is the East Suffolk Wireless Revival, also known as the Ipswich Radio Rally. It takes place at The Orwell Crossing Lorry Park, A14 Eastbound, Nacton, Ipswich, IP10 0DD. There is talk-in on S22, car parking, and the gates open at 9.30am. Admission is £1, and you'll find a car boot sale, Bring & Buy, special interest groups, an RSGB book stall, trade stands and more. Contact Steve, M1ACB, on 07711 329 624.

The final event for Sunday 1 July is the 16th Red Rose QRP Festival at Formby Hall, Alder Street, Atherton, Manchester M46 9EY. There's free car parking, disabled facilities, trade stands, special interest groups, a Bring & But, catering and a licensed bar. Admission is £2, with under-14s free. Details from Les Jackson, G4HZJ, on 01942 870 634.

Now for the news of special events

GB10SOTA, celebrating 10 years of Summits on the Air, continues from the summit of Mount Snowdon, GW/NW-001. Using HF, VHF and UHF, operation will continue until 15 July from the summit of the highest mountain in England and Wales. Details are on QRZ.com.

GB2SAM will be operated jointly by Southdown Amateur Radio Society and St Andrews School in Meads, Eastbourne. Operation will be from the school on the morning of Wednesday 27 June. Then, on the afternoon of Friday 29 June, pupils will join club members at the Redoubt Fortress & Military Museum, Eastbourne, from where GB2RFM will be on the air. Operation will be on HF, VHF and UHF, plus Echolink and D-Star.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Hinckley Amateur Radio Electronics Society is running GB6AFD for Armed Forces Day on Saturday 30 June at Gamecock Barracks, Bramcote, Nuneaton CV11 6QN. Contact Vinny, M0TAV, on 07947 330 700.

Marking the 91st anniversary of the Royal British Legion, GB2SBL will be active on Sunday 1 July from the shack at Eureka Primary School, Midway. Assisted by members of South Derbyshire and Ashby Woulds Amateur Radio Group, the station will be active on HF, VHF and UHF from 10am to 5pm.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is running its first ever mini DXpedition to the west coast of Scotland. They will be based in the Lochgilphead area between 30 June and 7 July. It is intended to operate on all HF bands in a variety of modes, plus terrestrial and satellite VHF. They also hope to activate JURA, EU-008, and some nearby SOTA summits. Details are on the club website, www.g0nwm.com.

The Turkish Special Wireless Activity Team and GITRAD will be activating some new lighthouses for the Western Blacksea Lighthouses on the Air award. On 30 June and 1 July, TC6BLH will be on the air at Sinop Boztepe Lighthouse. Details are at www.tcswat.org.

Celebrating the 30 years of DXCC Entity 1A, 1A0C will be on the air from 1 to 4 July at Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta. The operator list includes 1A0X, 1A0Z, EA2RY, EA5RM, EA7AJR, EA7KW, F5CWU, IN3ZNR, IT9YVO, IZ8IYX, PB2T, SP3DOI and KH6CG as a pilot for North America and Pacific. They will be active on HF and 6m. QSL via Francesco Cozzi, 1A0Z, whose details are correct on qrz.com.

Now the contest news

The 50MHz CW Contest is a new event to the calendar. It runs from 0900 to 1200UTC this morning. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

This afternoon, the 4th 70MHz Cumulative takes place from 1400 to 1600UTC. The exchange is also signal report, serial number and locator.

The UK Microwave Group Cumulative Contest also takes place today. Activity will be on 5.7, 10 and 24GHz from 1000 to 1600UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Two contests take place simultaneously from 1900-2230UTC on Thursday 26 June. The 50MHz UKAC is on 6m, whilst the SHF UKAC is on 2.3 to 10GHz. The exchange for both is signal report, serial number and locator.

Finally, the Worked All Britain 144MHz Low Power Phone contest takes place on Sunday 1 July from 1000 to 1400 UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. The maximum permitted power is 10 watts. Full details of the rules and logsheets may be obtained from the WAB website, www.worked-all-Britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, email aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 15th to the 21st of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 22nd of June.

We start this week with the latest smoothed monthly sunspot numbers, which are for September, October and November 2011 and are 59.5, 59.9 and 61.1 respectively.

st One large sunspot group dominated the solar disc until the 21 , when it rotated out of view. Even though the group remained large, it magnetically simplified day after day, with the consequence of failing to produce any M class solar flares. Numerous C class solar flares took place, some from the smaller groups that were also visible. Solar flux levels declined from 145 units on the 15th to 98 by the 21st. The average was 119 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 21st was 119 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined

from B5.5 units on the 15th to B2.1 by the 21st. The average was B3.7 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels, with an Ap index of only 3 units but, during the 16th, at least a couple of coronal mass ejections arrived, increasing activity to major storm levels. The Ap index on the 17th was 55 units. Activity then declined back to quiet levels by the 19th. The average was Ap 15 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 300 kilometres per second on the 16th to 550 during the 17th and the 18th. Particle densities increased to 40 particles per cubic centimetre on the 16th and 31 particles per cubic centimetre on the 17th. Bz varied between minus 4 and plus 1 nanoTeslas on the quietest days, and between minus 20 and plus 30 nanoTeslas during the height of the storm. The Bz remained negative for several hours during the morning of the 17th.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be low, with only a small chance that activity would increase any higher. Solar flux levels should be about at their lowest now, and a slight increase is expected throughout the week to around 110 units. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day, but a coronal hole disturbance is expected to arrive right at the end of the period. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 14MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 20MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1500 and 2100 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place up to 70MHz most days with openings on 144MHz only on the occasional day.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club Curry Night is having a curry night on Monday, for which members must book in advance. On Tuesday, Practical Wireless VHF columnist Tim Kirby, G4VXE will be speaking about his world of VHF. On Sunday 1 July there's a club net on 145.225MHz. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Monday 25 June South Birmingham Radio Society is loading trailer for Field Day on Monday, then doing Shack and aerial work on Friday. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 50MHz UK AC from the shack on Tuesday from 20.00. On Wednesday there will be a talk at the BSA Club from 20.15. Thursday sees the club operating the WAB Olympic Torch Special Event Station all day, plus the simplex net on 145.375MHz from 20.00. Finally, on the 30th, it's Saturday in the Shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm, and on Friday there is a club net on GB3FR from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 25 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal meeting. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 25 June Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding a 2m fox hunt, starting from the Home Guard Club. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 26 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 26 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 26 June Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a construction evening. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 27 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes plus an equipment and aerial review. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 27 June South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 27 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its 2nd 2m DF hunt, starting at 1930, with 2E0TRO as the fox. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Friday 29 June Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is preparing for its special event station. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday 29 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening and holding its portable competition. Contact John,

G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Saturday 30 June Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is operating GB6AFD for Armed Forces Day at Gamecock Barracks, Bramcote, Nuneaton CV11 6QN. Any club or individual is welcome to attend and operate, where applicable, and any help with setting up or running the event would be gratefully received. Contact Vinny, M0TAV, on 07947 330 700.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Denby Dale Radio Club is operating GX4WAB for the WAB Follow The Torch event on Monday. Wednesday they are having a night on the air from 19.30 on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its monthly technical forum on Monday, then on Thursday it's part 2 of the Wonders of China talk by Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

Otley Amateur Radio Society is holding a Morse class with G0WNT and taking part in the 50MHz UKAC Contest on Tuesday. Then on Saturday they are operating GB200REC to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Royal Engineers, Chatham. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a quiz with Dave, G4CLI on Thursday. Saturday sees the Intermediate and Advanced Licence courses continue from 13:30. Contact Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 24 June Hull & District Amateur Radio Society opens its doors at 10.30 for viewing its Bring & Buy, followed by an auction at 1pm. The event is at Walton Street Leisure Centre, Walton Street, HULL, HU3 6JB. A barbecue and refreshments will be available. Details from Julian Randall, on 07901 230 012.

On Monday 25 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 25 June Bolton Wireless Club is planning for VHF National Field Day and holding an EGM. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Tuesday 26th June Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is operating as GX4WAB all day in support of the Olympic Torch relay. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 26 June Halifax & District ARS is having a club night. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 26 June Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a members' night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 27 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 28 June Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society has its poundshop antenna challenge. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Friday 29 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Friday 29 June Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is having Morse tuition and putting G0NWM on the air. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 26 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 28 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding Morse classes and is on the air. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 29 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night, but please note the change of night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Today, South Essex Amateur Radio Society is taking part in

th Museums on the Air, operating GB2BM at Bay Museum. On Saturday the 30 , they are taking part in Armed Forces Day at The Paddocks, Canvey Island. Contact Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a 80m CW net 3.570MHz from 1pm on Monday, followed by a 2m net on 144.675MHz at 8pm. On Wednesday there's a talk on microwaves by Colin, G8BCO, then on Friday it's the Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8pm. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

On Wednesday 27 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk and demo on 3D television from 1950s to 2012 by Mike Cox. Please bring your polarised cinema or LG TV 3D glasses to this talk. On Sunday 1 July it's the Barford Radio Rally at Barford Village Hall. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a surplus equipment sale on Wednesday, then on Sunday 1 July it's the monthly breakfast meeting at The Goring Caf© from 9am. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for VHF NFD on Thursday. Saturday sees a visit & guided tour of Bletchley Park. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 24 June East Kent Radio Society is having its meeting and picnic at Stelling Minnis. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Sunday 24 June Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is operating GB2AVF at Abridge Village Fete. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 24 June Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is holding a fundraising night. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 0772 225 002.

On Monday 25 June Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk on the history of sound recording by Alvin, G6DTW. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 26 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 June 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Tuesday 26 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night from 8.30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 26 June Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on the Victorian internet by Ken Tythacott, M3CFC. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 26 June Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 26 June Radio Society of Harrow is having an informal evening at Rayners Lane. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Wednesday 27 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a pedestrian DF hunt around Chesham using 2m FM. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 27 June Darenth Valley Radio Society is preparing for VHF field day. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday 27 June Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having an all day BBQ and /P operation at Hastings Country Park. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 27 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on the Rampisham shortwave transmitter station by Tony, G0OVA. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Thursday 28 June Bittern DX Group is holding its AGM at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 28 June Edgware & District Radio Society invites members t bring in their old and dusty radio books to show everyone.. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 28 June Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on the history of the tugboat Cervia by Mike Howland, G4MIX. Contact Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 28 June Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at the Queens Head, Barns Green, RH13 0PS. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 28 June Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Lee, 2E1LJL, on 01502 564 242.

On Thursday 28 June Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Tom Grady, G6IGA, on the history of Pye, Philips and Simoco equipment and its conversion to amateur use. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 28 June Vange ARS is holding a natter night. Details from Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 29 June Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a presentation on EasyPAL by Mike, G4PRG and Gerry, G3COO. Contact Mick Ponsford, M0GWD, on 02392 366 699.

On Friday 29 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having an equipment familiarisation evening in advance of NFD. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 29 June Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a pre-camp meeting. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Today, South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is running the West of England Radio Rally. On Thursday they are holding open house and having an on the air night. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Exeter Amateur Radio Society is considering ham radio test equipment at the Moose Centre from 19:00 on Monday. The 2m club net is on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 24 June Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is at Abbotsham Fete. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Sunday 24 June Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a club table at the West Rally at the Cheese and Grain, Frome. Details

from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Monday 25 June Bristol RSGB Group is holding its summer Christmas party. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 25 June Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding Morse classes & a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 26 June Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a social night at the King's Arms, also known as the Dusthole, Shepton Mallet. Contact Nick, 2E0FGQ, on 01749 346 320.

On Wednesday 27 June Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 27 June Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation by Steve White, G3ZVW, on how the RSGB Yearbook is edited. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Thursday 28 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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1091. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 18 - 24 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 15:30:06 UTC
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Message-ID: <20120625153001.F139233C91@panix2.panix.com>
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
18 - 24 June 2012

Solar activity ranged from very low to low during the period. The
largest x-ray event was a C3 flare, produced by Region 1504 (S17,
L=087, class/area Ekc/750 on 16 June) at 20/1628 UTC. Two new active
regions were numbered during the period, Region 1510 (S16, L=019,
class/area Cro/10 on 19 June) and Region 1511 (N15, L=357,
class/area Cro/30 on 23 June). Neither of these new regions produced
a flare event. No Earth directed CMEs were observed during the
period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels throughout the period.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels
during the period. Early on 18 June, minor storm levels were
observed as the result of residual effects from the 13 and 14 June
CMEs. Conditions recovered to quiet levels later on the 18th and
remained so for the rest of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
25 June - 21 July 2012

Solar activity is expected to begin the period at very low to low
levels and remain so until around 03 July. Beginning on 04 July, a
chance for M-class flares will exist when old Region 1504 (S17,
L=087) is expected to return.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit, though a
slight chance may exist when Region 1504 returns.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to begin the period at normal to moderate levels, and
remain so through 02 July. Flux values are expected to increase to
high levels on 3-8 July due to recurrent coronal hole high speed
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stream effects. Normal to moderate levels are expected to return from 9 July through the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period at mostly quiet levels and remain so through 28 June. On 29 June, a possible Co-rotating Interaction Region is forecast to produce mostly unsettled levels with a chance for active conditions prior to the onset of a coronal hole (CH) high speed stream. CH effects are expected to produce unsettled to active levels with a chance for minor storm periods on 30 June through 03 July. On 04-05 July, quiet to unsettled levels are expected as the CH effects wane. Mostly quiet conditions with isolated unsettled periods are forecast from 06 July through the end of the period.

1092. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 25 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 16:28:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410019d2d8104c34e777b@google.com>
Source record: 2659
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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100 memory buttons and more for Flex PowerSDR

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 03:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351472-100-memory-buttons-and-more-for-Flex-PowerSDR&goto=newpost

100 memory buttons and more for Flex PowerSDR

I am pleased to announce the release of FlexButtons, donationware software that adds memory buttons for PowerSDR (Flex SDR Radios) and an integrated CAT interface to MixW digi-mode software.

I created FlexButtons for two reasons. Firstly I was frustrated with the memory function in PowerSDR (TM). I wanted a quick and easy way to store the current frequency and other parameters and recall them by pressing a button rather than delving into a menu based system. FlexButtons works a little like the buttons on your car radio, simply press ☐Save☐ and then the button position that you want to use.

Secondly I wanted to use my Flex radio with digimode software, in my case MixW(TM). The problem was that with only one monitor, the Digimode screen sits on top of PowerSDR(TM) and it disappears when you go to change a filter setting or any other function on the Flex radio.

With FlexButtons you can run PowerSDR(TM) minimised but still control the features I wanted, such as; mode, mute, VAC, and the filter width.

If you save your favourite digimode frequencies to memory buttons you can easily swap between bands and band segments.

Now I have two monitors and normally run PowerSDR(TM) on one with MixW on the main monitor with FlexButtons as a kind of tool bar at the bottom of the screen.

FlexButtons has full help and installs without making changes to Windows registry.

FlexButtons v1.0 Beta is availabe free from the author, my email is under ZL3DW on QRZ.com

Andrew Barron ZL3DW

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Ham Operators needed to support Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 03:12 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351470-Ham-Operators-needed-to-support-Coast-to-Coast-Against-Cancer-Foundation&goto=newpost

Ham Operators needed to support Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation

Volunteers are needed to provide communications in support of this worthwhile event. It takes place along the Cabot Trail in Nova Scotia August 3-5, 2012 and involves cycling road routes with more than 100 cyclists participating and more than 50 volunteers.

ARES is involved with this organization in Alberta and Ontario, and they have put out a call to us for support for the first time in the Atlantic Region.

If you are able to help, please drop me a note at dougvo1dtm@gmail.com or contact Atlantic Director Ev Price at vo1dk@rac.ca or Deputy Director Len Morgan ve9my@rac.ca.

Thanks for your interest.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC

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ANS-176 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

ANS-176

ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor@amsat.org

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Reminder to Submit Your AMSAT Field Day Satellite Summary Sheet

By the time you are reading this bulletin the 2012 Field Day may be already complete for you. The AMSAT Field Day Rules document (available in PDF and MS-Word format) are linked on the AMSAT front page.

The Field Day Rules document contains the Satellite Summary Sheet for submitting your entry. This sheet should be used for submission of the AMSAT Field Day competition and be received by AMSAT Director of Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO (email or postal mail) by 11:59 P.M. CDT, Monday, July 09, 2012. The preferred method for submitting your log is via e-mail to kk5do@amsat.org or kk5do@arrl.net.

You may also use the postal service but give plenty of time for your results to arrive by the submission date. Add photographs or other interesting information that can be used in an article for the Journal.

You will receive an email back (within one or two days) from Bruce when he receives your email submission. If you do not receive a confirmation message, then he has not received your submission. Try sending it again or send it to the other email address.

If mailing your submission, the address is:

Bruce Paige, KK5DO

Director of Awards and Contests

PO Box 310

Alief, TX 77411-0310.

Certificates will be awarded to the first-place emergency power/portable station at the AMSAT General Meeting and Space Symposium in the fall of 2012. Certificates will also be awarded to the second and third place portable/emergency operation in addition to the first-place home station running on emergency power. A station submitting high, award-winning scores will be requested to send in dupe sheets for analog contacts and message listings for digital downloads.

[ANS thanks Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

Video Posted From ARISS Contact with 8N3KN in Japan

On Wednesday, June 6, students attending Kawachinagano Eastside Junior High school, Osaka prefecture, Japantook part in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with André Kuipers, PI9ISS on ISS.

At the beginning of the contact the school was experiencing a power blackout, but recovered in time so that all children were able to ask their questions. The event supplemented lessons about space and the ISS.

Video of this contact is now available on YouTube.

[ANS thanks ARISS for the above information]

Celebrating 10th Anniversary of OSCAR 7's Return To Life

An article posted on the AMSAT-UK web this week reminds us of the 10th anniversary of the auspicious discovery by Pat Gowen, G3IOR on June 21, 2002 when he first noticed a beacon sending slow 8-10 wpm CW on 145.973.8 MHz. It sounded like old OSCAR satellite telemetry, it had the familiar HI HI followed by a string of numbers in groups of three. After monitoring by many radio amateurs it turned out to be OSCAR-7, and it seemed to have come back from the dead.

Pat posted a message on the amsat-bb bulletin board, "I have just come across something most remarkable this Friday 21st June evening ... It

sounded VERY familiar ... Could any veteran keen observers (who might look for it) ..." Pat's original message announcing his discovery can still be read in the amsat-bb archives.

It is believed that in 1981 the batteries failed short-circuit, however, in 2002 they became open-circuit enabling the satellite to run again from the solar panels. Since that day OSCAR 7 has been operational when in sunlight and provided radio amateurs with many long distance (DX) SSB/CW contacts.

Remember when working OSCAR 7 use the least uplink power possible to minimize your downlink power usage, and maximize the number of simultaneous contacts supported in the passband.

A BBC News report Radio ham finds lost satellite about the reception of OSCAR 7 by Dave Rowan G4CUO has been posted.

A collection of photos by Dick Daniels W4PUJ taken during the construction, test and launch of the AMSAT-OSCAR 7 spacecraft in 1973 and 1974 can be viewed in N4HY's album.

Be sure to view the full AMSAT-UK article containing photos and additional links.

The satellite alternates between Mode A and B with random changes between modes when AO-7 powers up re-entering the sunlit portion of its orbit. Monitor the Live OSCAR Satellite Status Page for postings of latest operating mode.

Uplink: 145.850 to 145.950 MHz CW/USB Mode A

432.125 to 432.175 MHz CW/LSB Mode B

Downlink: 29.400 to 29.500 MHz CW/USB Mode A (1W PEP)

145.975 to 145.925 MHz CW/USB Mode B (8W PEP)

145.975 to 145.925 MHz CW/USB Mode C (2W PEP)

Beacons: 29.502 MHz CW

145.972 MHz CW

435.100 MHz CW

2304.100 MHz CW

Official Webpage:

http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/satel...ummary/ao7.php

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK and AMSAT-NA for the above information]

AO-7 DX Opportunities

Paul Robinson, 2E1EUB will be operating mobile 2M1EUB as he tours around Scotland between June 26 through approximately July 9. He plans operations

from grid squares IO77, IO87, and IO86 with additional coverage if time permits. He will be active from any spots along the road that he can access the satellites. Activity will be on 160 and 80 meters, 2 meters SSB and on satellites including AO-7. Check out QRZ.com under 2M1EUB for more info.

Bill Dzurilla, NZ5N is now active as OM3BD from Slovakia, grid locator JN88mf this summer and is active on AO-7. Any North American stations in range are invited to email Bill for skeds: billdz.geo@yahoo.com

Bill wrote, "It seems that the orbits have somehow shifted and my windows to North America are a bit longer this year, and from my hill I can hear the bird to -2 degrees."

[ANS thanks Paul Robinson 2E1EUB/2M1EUB and Bill Dzurilla, NZ5N/OM3BD for the above information]

ARISS Contact Planned as NASA Hosts Future Female Explorers

A press release from NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC notes that this week eighty-four female high school students from 29 states will plan a simulated mission to Mars and experience life as an engineer or scientist when NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston hosts two events focused on science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) in June and July.

The Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars project, or WISH, is sponsoring two six-day summer camps for rising high school seniors. The young women will work in teams with female NASA mentors to develop mission plans for launching to Mars, living and working there, and integrating the many components necessary for a successful planetary mission. They will work within the confines of a fictitious budget and build several small mockups of vehicles to demonstrate a successful launch and landing of the Mars spacecraft.

"WISH gives some of our brightest future innovators a chance to experience some of the exciting challenges that NASA engineers and scientists face on a daily basis," said Johnson Deputy Director and four-time space shuttle astronaut Ellen Ochoa. "It shows the young women that there are a variety of opportunities for them in technical fields."

Young women participating June 24-29 will hear a first-hand account of life in space from NASA astronaut Shannon Walker. Participants July 8-13 will have a chance to speak with a current space station astronaut via ham radio as part of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program, a NASA educational initiative that facilitates direct links between students and astronauts.

The young women were selected based on completion of interactive, online lessons focused on space exploration and mapped to national education standards, academic merits and geographic diversity. The WISH program encourages young women to pursue science, technology, engineering and mathematics degrees and exposes them to the real-world applications of STEM careers at NASA. This program is in its second year. It began as a NASA accompaniment to the White House Council on Women and Girls.

The NASA Press release can be viewed on-line at:

http://www.nasa.gov/home/hqnews/2012...-209_WISH.html

[ANS thanks NASA for the above information]

Winner of HORYU-2 Receiving Competition

Built by students at the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT) the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 was launched on May 17 at 1639 UT.

Radio amateurs from around the world sent in telemetry and the winner with the most points has been announced as Yo####omo Iji JA6PL.

The top three places were:

1st place: JA6PL (91 points)2nd place: ZL2BX (36 points)3rd place: JF1EUY (35 points)

The satellite□s callsign is JG6YBW and the CW telemetry beacon frequency is 437.375 MHz (+/- Doppler shift).

Free KIT HORYU-2 telemetry software can be downloadedKIT HORYU Blog in Google EnglishJapanese HORYU website in Google EnglishEnglish language version of HORYU websiteAMSAT-UK posting on HORYU-2.HORYU-2 online WebSDR receiverKIT HORYU-2 Facebook GroupHORYU-2 CW Telemetry Decoder by DK3WN

[ANS thanks the HORYU-2 Team and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

ARISS Status - 18 June 2012

1. Successful ARISS Contacts Held

ESA-ESTEC arranged for an ARISS contact that was held on Tuesday, June 12 at the Ruimtevaart Museum in Lelystad, the Netherlands with students that had taken part in André Kuipers' Mission: Spaceship Earth competition. Through this program, Kuipers gave assignments to Dutch school children and the winners of the competition were

invited to the event. Kuipers chatted with students and answered their questions about space. ARISS delegate Bertus Hüsken, PE1KEH attended the event and presented ARISS activities to the audience. Telebridge station W6SRJ in California handled the radio connection. Video of the event was posted.

Students from St. Anne's Primary School in Strathfield South, NSW, Australia spoke with Joe Acaba, KE5DAR on the ISS through an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Wednesday, June 13 via telebridge station LU8YY in Argentina. Approximately 150 people attended the event. The contact was integrated into the space curriculum across all grades and was held along with the school's science fair.

2. Astronaut Training Status

Barry Wilmore took part in an ARISS introductory class on Monday, June 11.Wilmore is slated to fly with Expedition 41 in September 2014.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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Exciting new logging program released

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 12:53 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351307-Exciting-new-logging-program-released&goto=newpost

In recent weeks Daniele Pistollato IW3HWH has released an exciting new and free logging program called LOG4OM

Although the software is still under development it already provides most of the features that are to be expected from top quality Ham software plus some intriguing new facilities with more to come in the future.

LOG4OM already includes ....

1. SQLite and MySQL database options

2. Worked before warnings

3. On line call lookup from QRZ and HamQTH

4. QSL control including QSL card and label printing within the program.

4. Full upload/download feature for eQSL, LOTW, HRDLog and Clublog

5. HD Grey line map with Long/Short path heading and distance plotting.

6. Full DX Cluster support with 'Wanted' colour coded entries - Cluster commands and filters - Cluster scanner and a Super Cluster?

7. Integration with DM780 for data modes.

8. IOTA, Countries and LOTW databases built in and automatically updatable.

9. Statistic analysis including award status

10.CAT connection for most transceivers and receivers

11. ADIF import and export plus Excel .CSV and PDF export of log.

12. Cluster integrated with propagation information from HRDLog.net

Plus much, much more with exciting new features to come.....

The program is available in the English and Italian languages but at this time the user guide is only available in Italian, however the software is very intuitive without an English user guide, which will be available very soon.

LOG4OM can be downloaded FREE from http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/

LOG4OM Yahoo Group is located at
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/Log4om_g4pop/

LOG4OM Eham reviews are here http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/10506

Terry Genes G4POP

1093. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 25 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 16:36:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba21238d7e092f04c34e96ea@google.com>
Source record: 2660
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VP8LP

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 02:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351391-VP8LP&goto=newpost

Has anyone heard from VP8LP? I have not heard from him for over 2 months.
He mainly operates 20 - 10 meters. If you have any info, send it to my
addy on QRZ or goodtimes@netecin.net W8TRN

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W4W Field Day 2012 Sevier County TN

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 01:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351386-W4W-Field-Day-2012-Sevier-County-TN&goto=newpo
st

Wanted to share some photo's from our Field Day, hope everyone had a great
time this year and made great contacts..

http://s1260.photobucket.com/albums/...view=slideshow

73

Rick Sr

N4JTQ

1094. eHam.net News for Monday 25 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-25 22:09:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb98bdb3804c3533d90@google.com>
Source record: 2661
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Operators Bask In The Timelessness Of Their Technology:

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28534

Bob Lightner's house is really no different from any other house on his street -- a large, one-story home that is well-kept and inviting. Look more closely, however, and you'll see the tower with multiple antennas protruding from behind the home and extending far above the roof. Each antenna allows Lightner to access different bands, or sets of frequencies, that the FCC has designated for amateur -- or HAM -- radio use. Using Lightner's home as their base, members of Gainesville's HAM community, who call themselves the Brotherhood of Every Amateur North of Orlando, or BEANOs, participated Saturday in the American Radio Relay League's Field Day -- in which over 35,000 amateur radio operators nationwide set up their equipment in various locales. The event continues until 2 p.m. Sunday.

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2012 Field Day Sevier County TN:

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 04:25 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28533

Wanted to share some photo's with everyone hope that you had a great Field Day this year!

1095. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 25 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-26 02:34:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b11775f304c356ee31@google.com>
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Operators Participate in Nationwide 'Field Day' - Patch.com

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 03:23 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGYJX2wuRj_JfUpqM39io-ZHJ1hzQ&url=http://northfork.patch.com/articles/local-amateur-radio-operators-participate-in-nationwide-field-day-event

Ramona Sentinel
Amateur Radio Operators Participate in Nationwide Field Day
Patch.com
Saturday event at Hortons Point Lighthouse was a blend of ham radio fun and ... During Field Day, thousands of amateur radio groups from across the U.S. and ...
Small Town Amateur Radio Society participates in Vilonia field dayLog Cabin Democrat
Ham radio operators stay in practiceBlueRidgeNow.com
Field Day shows off ham skillsRamona Sentinel
Hilton Head Island Packet -WDEF News 12 -Dothan Eagle
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Ham radio hobbyists practice to offer serious help - Asbury Park Press

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 03:04 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGaN-CaayUZ_aG05tG6qLZZEhvUJA&url=http://www.app.com/article/20120625/NJNEWS/306250111/Ham-radio-hobbyists-practice-to-offer-serious-help

Ham radio hobbyists practice to offer serious help
Asbury Park Press
Ham radio hobbyists practice to offer serious help ... “They (the amateur radio hams) have taken a hobby and made it a public service that we hope we never ...

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Amateur radio operators demonstrate hobby - Marshfield News-Herald

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 04:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEMxw1CqWdjt194B9T1PU6k8WhT2A&url=http://www.marshfieldnewsherald.com/article/20120625/MNH0101/206250428/Amateur-radio-operators-demonstrate-hobby

Amateur radio operators demonstrate hobby
Marshfield News-Herald
Members of the Marshfield Area Amateur Radio Society gathered at the Miller ... "Field day is the Super Bowl of ham radio," Chris Henry said, often trumping ...

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Amateur radio operators prepare for 'worst' - Sand Springs Leader

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 01:18 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG1aPiP8i4b98b5HqtOoxIA5ENOQQ&url=http://sandspringsleader.com/news/amateur-radio-operators-prepare-for-worst/article_a374eda2-bf00-11e1-8d8c-0019bb2963f4.html

Amateur radio operators prepare for worst
Sand Springs Leader
Tulsa area amateur radio operators gathered Saturday at Chandler Park to practice for a “worst case scenario.”

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Local amateur radio enthusiasts practice their emergency response - Norman Transcript

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 12:08 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEioT3ENYGulEZz6cvCZPlRP9AQ0A&url=http://normantranscript.com/headlines/x1915499658/Local-amateur-radio-enthusiasts-practice-their-emergency-response

Local amateur radio enthusiasts practice their emergency response
Norman Transcript
Throughout the U.S. and Canada, ham radio enthusiasts spent 24 hours over the ... Normans South Canadian Amateur Radio Society was just one of the many ...
Mississippi Valley Amateur Radio Association competes in Field DayWXOW.com

all 2 news articles

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ARRL Attends HAM RADIO 2012 in Germany - ARRL

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 11:19 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFviord0pKOmztDFA45Zpz7wuVYjw&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-attends-ham-radio-2012-in-germany

ARRL
ARRL Attends HAM RADIO 2012 in Germany
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HAM RADIO 2012 in Friedrichshafen, Germany -- held June 22-24 -- is billed as Europes biggest Amateur Radio exhibition.

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Lake of the Woods Amateur Radio Society makes connections ... - Daily Miner
and News

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 12:27 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFRo31TPqYvB8HowxE7mzqA1A3QvA&url=http://www.kenoradailyminerandnews.com/ArticleDisplay.aspx?e%3D3589467

Lake of the Woods Amateur Radio Society makes connections ...
Daily Miner and News
Members of the Lake of the Woods Amateur Radio Society were among thousands of ham radio operators across North America reaching into the airwaves...
Lake County Amateur Radio Society participates in ham radio ...Lake County News
Cly White works the GOTA radio for the ham radio field day at Moss ...Shelby Star

all 3 news articles

1096. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 26 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-26 11:04:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93411b54451eb04c35e11de@google.com>
Source record: 2663
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Rockall DVD on sale MM0RAI/P

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kFuOPwPgBXU/rockall_dvd_on_sale.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rockall Island: Undertaking an expedition to this tiny rock in the North Atlantic Ocean is like traveling through time into another World. Watch the adventure unfold in this daring expedition through Storm Force 11 seas

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News from PowAbeam Antennas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XaAy2jTKQeo/news_from_powabeam_antennas.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Derek Hilleard G4CQM reports on the latest news from PowAbeam Antennas...

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Le Tour de France 2012 - GB4TDF

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QdHag1D4H9Q/gb4tdf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Barrie G1JYB is hosting a special event station from Oysterber Farm with Stephany G1LAT and the Sands Contest Group for Le Tour de France 2012

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K6BBQ Tricycle Mobile for 7QP 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wAjmujQeS5U/k6bbq_tricycle_mobile_for_7qp_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rem K6BBQ was tricycle mobile for the 7QP, 7th Call Area QSO Party and running QRP (5 watts)

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PuFIs_UQgCM/wca_2606.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW has news of more operations taking place today, and over the next few days

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Palomar ARC Field Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YD5mZPFU7Ik/palomar_arc_field_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Video of the Palomar Amateur Radio Club station for Field Day 2012. This event was held in San Marcos, California

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Moonbounce Swiss Style

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9LAUTyBXPfA/moonbounce_swiss_style.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sam Jewell G4DDK and John Worsnop G4BAO were shown round the HB9Q amateur radio moonbounce (EME) shack by Aex Artieda HB9DRI

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GB4 John Paul Jones

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_utS-TzpLHw/gb4_john_paul_jones.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This coming weekend, 30th June - 1st July, GB4JPJ will be operating from south-west Scotland at the birthplace of John Paul Jones, founder of the US Navy

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0hKj6_Y4uFk/june_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

1097. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 26 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-26 16:22:18 UTC
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Illinois Governor has Ham Radio Antenna bill on his desk

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 07:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351641-Illinois-Governor-has-Ham-Radio-Antenna-bill-on-his-desk&goto=newpost

Gov. Quinn has HB1390 on his desk awaiting his signature. Apparently,
there are municipal officials who are objecting to this bill being signed
because they would have to accomodate ham radio operators who wish to put
up antennas/towers.

To voice your support, call 1-217-782-0244 (Gov. Office) Tell whoever
answers that you wish to register your support for HB1390 and to put a tick
in favor of the Governor signing the bill.

Spread the word, Illinois hams!

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Another new site open for members

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 03:36 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351576-Another-new-site-open-for-members&goto=newpost

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Lorain County Wireless Operators

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 10:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351528-Lorain-County-Wireless-Operators&goto=newpost

Press Release

For Immediate Release, 25 June 2012

Lorain County Wireless Operators

LORAIN COUNTY OHIO - We are very pleased to announce another amateur radio
initiative from Ohio and a few of the guys that brought you the Northern
Ohio Digital Interconnect Group, Reflectors 38 & 39 and the Ohio Wide

D-STAR Net. The Lorain County Wireless Operators, LCWO.

Lorain County Wireless Operators was formed in an effort to advance amateur radio in the Great Lakes and surrounding areas. LCWO□s four core operators simply want grow amateur radio by showcasing all that Ham Radio has to offer. This group will be complimented by Guest Operators who have experience in specialized areas of operation. The operators will focus their on the air time in unique areas bringing the public□s attention to amateur radio by operating special events stations and also contesting as well as supporting area clubs & public service groups. Our call, NW8S, will support LOTW, eQSL and direct QSL during all events. LCWO has a D-STAR repeater on the air in the downtown Lorain Ohio area that is complimented with a reflector. Although typically linked to REF038A it will be used for experimental D-STAR operations. We will utilize all segments of the spectrum; HF, VHF, UHF, SHF, along with existing and experimental modes during our events.

Look for an announcement regarding our first event in the very near future. The final details of which are being worked through as we speak.

We hope that our efforts to further amateur communications will inspire others to become licensed or more active in a hobby that can be very rewarding and satisfying. Regardless if its talking across town on a local repeater, traffic handling, severe weather, providing relief communications after a disaster or making a new friend in a far away country using Morse Code or a cutting edge mode yet invented there is something for everyone.

Please visit our website and □Like□ us on Facebook.

http://www.nw8s.com/

https://www.facebook.com/LorainCountyWirelessOperators

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Ham Radio Friedrichshafen 2012 Dinner at Home A.R.I:

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 09:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351521-Ham-Radio-Friedrichshafen-2012-Dinner-at-Home-A-R-I&goto=newpost

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fancy shareing your qsl cards

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 07:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351495-fancy-shareing-your-qsl-cards&goto=newpost

here is a Facebook group for those hat enjoy Facebook anyway, the group set up 5 months ago by m6der has now got over 5000 qsl images and sttv images from all over the world. why not have a look and feel free to join and share your qsl and sstv with the other hams world wide ;)

https://www.facebook.com/groups/343132692385485/

1098. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 26 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-26 16:43:29 UTC
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Message-ID: <14dae93410017157cc04c362cbc3@google.com>
Source record: 2665
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Changing Category during Field Day

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 07:38 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351598-Changing-Category-during-Field-Day&goto=newpost

I did not see anything in the Field Day rules to cover this, and it isn't that important since I only participated casually, but I am curious about how this might be handled.

Saturday evening I made 7 QSOs from the home QTH with the K2 on battery at 5 watts, operating category 1E.

Sunday I went portable in a local park and made 23 QSOs operating category 1B Battery in the two hours I had.

My inclination was to submit just the 23 portable QSOs as 1B, but then if I leave off the other 7 from the supporting documentation, somebody might not get a QSO with me validated.

Is there a formal way this would be handled?

Thanks,

Chip

AE5KA

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ZL Memorial Contest July 7/8 2012

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 11:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351538-ZL-Memorial-Contest-July-7-8-2012&goto=newpost

Please pass the word .....

This year the 67th ZL Memorial Contest will go ahead as usual.

When: 7 and 8 July 2012

Times: 2000 - 2300 NZST both evenings.

Band. 80 m.

Modes. CW and Phone.

Rules. The rules are the same as recent years and are in the NZART

Call Book on page 5 - 5 and also at

Logs. Logs as email attachments are welcome in either Cabrillo log

text, plain text, Word or Excel format.

Email them to . Paper logs should be posted

to Contest Manager, 8 Manu Cres., New Plymouth 4310.

Closing date for logs will be 31st August 2012.

end quote

Many thanks

Additional info available -

http://zl2cq.webs.com/contests.htm

or

73

ZL2CQ - QRZ.Com

1099. eHam.net News for Tuesday 26 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-26 22:43:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517ca9a21b7f504c367d4fa@google.com>
Source record: 2666
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Keep In Touch:

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28540

Backup communication network used in times of disaster: SOUTHAMPTON -- Despite the Internet, cellphones, email and other modern communications, every year whole regions find themselves in the dark. Tornadoes, fires, storms, ice and even the occasional cutting of fiber optic cables leave people without the means to communicate. In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been amateur radio. These radio operators, often called "hams," provide backup communications for everything from the American Red Cross to FEMA and even for the International Space Station.

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Amateur Radio Operators Often Help In A Crisis:

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28539

Jack McCarty is an avid amateur radio operator, but it's more than just a hobby, it's sending a signal that can save lives. "That's what keeps amateurs in the business. If it wasn't for the fact that we supply emergency communications in a time of need there probably wouldn't be ham bands availible to us. " The National Field Day communications weekend is more than just a friendly exercise, it keeps them sharp if an emergency like the April 27th tornadoes of 2011 arises again. "Amateur Radio did play a key part in that. The cell phone service was overloaded and the commercial power went out and the only way we were able to maintain contact was through amateur radio," says Derek Wooley, President of the Cleveland Amateur Radio Club. "That night it was quite chaotic. What our task was that night was trying to keep people informed of what was going on as far as the families entrapped and they were all right We were there and we did what we could," adds McCarty. Amateur radio operators can often be the first line in opening communications during a crisis. "We evaluate our readiness for emergencies. We have four or five stations operating totally on generator power so we can be able to serve the community should power outages occur and be able to maintain contact with each of our amatuer operators throughout the county," says Wooley.

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'When All Else Fails,' There's Amateur Radio:

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28538

Amateur radio remains part of the emergency communications system, but another appeal for the users is being able to do a lot of things with different gadgets. "Throw a piece of wire up a tree and you can talk to Japan," said Tom Mandera of Helena, a member of the Capital City Amateur Radio Club as he tried to aim a handheld at a low-orbit satellite Saturday. Mandera and other ham radio operators are spending much of the weekend as part of a nationwide "field day" held to showcase and practice radio operation. During the 24-hour period, from noon Saturday to noon today, the hams are trying to make contact with as many other operators as possible from their temporary setup behind the old red schoolhouse on Sierra Road, just east of Interstate 15. The hams operate under the credo, "When all else fails," to note that their technology can provide emergency communication even others fail. That could happen in an earthquake or other event that disrupts such fundamental tools as police radios and mobile phone networks. "There's been a number of examples of these high-tech systems going out and they've fallen back on ham radio," said Bob Solomon, emergency systems coordinator for the group. All the ham radios need is enough electricity to power themselves, with no network except the airwaves.

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Amateur Radio Still Proving Useful in an Emergency:

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28537

APALACHIN, N.Y. -- Operating an amateur radio is something that is not taken lightly. "A Ham radio operator is licensed by the FCC, the Federal Communications Commission. Every ham who is licensed has to pass a test," said amateur radio operator, Dick Farman. But what makes a ham radio operator unique is that they work completely as a volunteer and can send and receive messages at the most inopportune times. "It doesn't matter whether NYSEG goes down or cell phones go down or all that, we can still communicate," Farman said. So 40 years ago when the flood water of Hurricane Agnes ripped through the Twin Tiers, or even last September when Tropical Storm Lee brought similar devastation, ham radio operators were there to lend a hand. "I was providing local communications. I was at my home, but I was using battery powered radio to talk to, we had another ham set up at the Red Cross, they had a temporary set up at the Washington-Gladden school, I believe is where they were," said amateur radio operator, Mike Gruszka.

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Kuwait Ham Operator Contacted During SPARK's Annual Field Day:

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28536

FACTORYVILLE - For the past few years, Zach Zelna has watched his father, Al, communicate with others via his home radio, eagerly waiting for his chance to step in and do the same. On Sunday, the 8-year-old got his chance. Zach joined the dozens of others gathered at the Scranton-Pocono Amateur Radio Klub at Seaman's Airport in Factoryville, where he learned the ins and outs of amateur radio, and contacted radio operators from different countries.

1100. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 26 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-27 02:29:06 UTC
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio operators prepare in case of an emergency - KAJ18 Kalispell
Montana News

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 01:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4j-eD4C3VQxlyfd1skC9JHKrE6g&url=http://www.kaj18.com/news/amateur-radio-operators-prepare-in-case-of-an-emergency/

ClaimsJournal.com
Amateur radio operators prepare in case of an emergency
KAJ18 Kalispell Montana News
More than 20 ham radio operators gathered in the Walmart parking lot ...
Ham radio operator Eric Martin said he picked up amateur radio as a young
teen.
Field day tests Ham radios reach from Austin and beyondPost-Bulletin
Amateur Radio Event Showcases Emergency Preparedness SkillsEmergency
Management
Debby Heightens Significance of Amateur RadioClaimsJournal.com
Santa Rosa Press Gazette -WAVY-TV -Norwalk Citizen
all 9 news articles

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Moosehorn Amateur Radio Club tests capabilities - Kenai Peninsula Online

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 09:41 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNELOUbPkTqDw42y35vy3MuKChQVnQ&url=http://peninsulaclarion.com/news/2012-06-26/moosehorn-amateur-radio-club-tests-capabilities

Moosehorn Amateur Radio Club tests capabilities
Kenai Peninsula Online
The object: to connect with as many stations as possible on all amateur
radio bands, test their ... Halvarson said hed been operating ham radio for
34 years.

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Huntsville area ham radio operators have a 'fun' time during a mock ... -
al.com (blog)

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 06:32 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHC1vnByB2I_Yn_KwoQbVwCsSU-Aw&url=http://blog.al.com/breaking/2012/06/huntsville_area_ham_radio_oper.html

Huntsville area ham radio operators have a fun time during a mock ...
al.com (blog)

"He is using a computer program to send a general call," said Chuck Lewis, who has been an amateur radio operator, better known as a ham operator, since ...

1101. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 27 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-27 11:07:33 UTC
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Source record: 2668
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with 2012 STEM Summit, Dallas, Texas

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NYY9-SPFUhs/ariss_event_2806.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at 2012 STEM Summit, Dallas, Texas on 28
June

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CNN - Amateur Radio Balloon Lost

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CCM4bQEYP1A/cnn_amateur_radio_balloon_lost.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CNN News reports on an amateur radio equipped high altitude balloon that
went missing

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Former ARRL General Manager and IARU President Richard Baldwin, W1RU (SK)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nDjx0f8HvpA/richard_baldwin_w1ru_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Richard 'Dick' Baldwin, W1RU, of Damariscotta, Maine, passed away on
Thursday, June 21, after a long struggle with Parkinson's Disease

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G3PSM Receives DARC Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/an7gI-vgOXM/g3psm_receives_darc_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Colin Thomas G3PSM has been awarded the DARC Golden Badge of Honour for his
work in achieving an amateur radio allocation at 472 kHz

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VK7RRR - Tasmania's D-Star repeater is on the air!

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2Kr5bGu3X-o/vk7rrr_tasmania_dstar_repeater_is_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

VK7RRR is the southernmost D-Star repeater in the world, and the first (and only) public D-Star repeater in Tasmania. Prior to VK7RRR, Tasmania was the only Australian State or Territory that didn't have at least one D-Star repeater

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Brunei going after unlicensed mobile operators

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q7QtsrE4XQY/brunei_going_after_unlicensed_mobile_operators.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Brunei government says that it is cracking down on anyone found operating amateur radio gear without government authorization

1102. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 27 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-27 16:24:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93412772b5e6c04c376a458@google.com>
Source record: 2669
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Puerto Rican Hams Support Their 2012 Olympic Team

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 04:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351749-Puerto-Rican-Hams-Support-Their-2012-Olympic-Team&goto=newpost

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On Sunday July 1st 2012, the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee will be celebrating the Flag Bearing of the Puerto Rico Delegation to the Summer Olympic Games in London. This event marks the beginning of the transatlantic journey to represent Puerto Rico in this international event. The delegation will depart the Olympic Committee and will walk to the Governor□s Mansion to receive the flag that will be used in the opening ceremony and remain hoisted in the Olympic Village throughout the Games in London.

In celebration of such an important event, The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League will be joining the Olympic Committee in this celebration by setting up a special event station from the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee headquarters in San Juan. We will be using the special callsign □K4O□ for this event.

We would like to use our radiowaves to let the world know that the Puerto Rican delegation is ready for the games in London. Operation will be on June 30 (9:00am-5:00pm) and July 1 (9:00am-2:00pm) from the headquartes of the Puerto Rico Opympic Comitte in San Juan.

Contact Information: www.prarl.org 787-633-6847

Dr. José C Vicéns

President

Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League

Attached Images

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New ICQ Amateur/Ham Radio Podcast Released - Cam Hams return from Mull

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 01:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351686-New-ICQ-Amateur-Ham-Radio-Podcast-Released-Cam-Hams-return-from-Mull&goto=newpost

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Series Five Episode Thirteen of the ICQ Podcast has been released. The latest news and Martin (M1MRB) talks to the Cambrigde Hams about their Dxpedition to Mull.

BBC promotes polluting PLA devices Worked All Continents Award German Radio Ham arrested in Greece Italian radio amateurs help out after quake 472 kHz and 5 MHz in Denmark Radio transmitter causes bomb scare International EME Conference 2012 Germany gains 1331 callsigns in 2011 Thailand holds Intermediate Exam First-time operation from Tanzania Raspberry Pi used for Amateur Radio

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New Amateur Radio Podcast

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 12:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351681-New-Amateur-Radio-Podcast&goto=newpost

Hello everyone! I would like to introduce the Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast, the podcast from and for the youth of amateur radio. This podcast is made up of many different young hams, and some elmers to help us keep going. Our team includes Anthony, K2RCN, Sterling, N0SSC, Jacob, KD0NVX, Joe, KD0LOS along with the help of Matt, NR0Q and Jerry, KD0BIK. Episode 1 of the podcast has been released. You can find the podcast at http://yarphams.com.

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Video: Ham Radio Friedrichshafen 2012

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351521-Video-Ham-Radio-Friedrichshafen-2012&goto=newpost

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FlexButtons Adds 100 Memory Buttons to Flex PowerSDR

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 03:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351472-FlexButtons-Adds-100-Memory-Buttons-to-Flex-PowerSDR&goto=newpost

100 memory buttons and more for Flex PowerSDR

I am pleased to announce the release of FlexButtons, donationware software that adds memory buttons for PowerSDR (Flex SDR Radios) and an integrated CAT interface to MixW digi-mode software.

I created FlexButtons for two reasons. Firstly I was frustrated with the memory function in PowerSDR (TM). I wanted a quick and easy way to store the current frequency and other parameters and recall them by pressing a button rather than delving into a menu based system. FlexButtons works a little like the buttons on your car radio, simply press □Save□ and then the button position that you want to use.

Secondly I wanted to use my Flex radio with digimode software, in my case MixW(TM). The problem was that with only one monitor, the Digimode screen sits on top of PowerSDR(TM) and it disappears when you go to change a filter setting or any other function on the Flex radio.

With FlexButtons you can run PowerSDR(TM) minimised but still control the features I wanted, such as; mode, mute, VAC, and the filter width.

If you save your favourite digimode frequencies to memory buttons you can easily swap between bands and band segments.

Now I have two monitors and normally run PowerSDR(TM) on one with MixW on the main monitor with FlexButtons as a kind of tool bar at the bottom of the screen.

FlexButtons has full help and installs without making changes to Windows registry.

FlexButtons v1.0 Beta is availabe free from the author, my email is under ZL3DW on QRZ.com

Andrew Barron ZL3DW

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Hams Needed to Support Coast to Coast Against Cancer Event

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351470-Hams-Needed-to-Support-Coast-to-Coast-Against-Cancer-Event&goto=newpost

Ham Operators needed to support Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation

Volunteers are needed to provide communications in support of this worthwhile event. It takes place along the Cabot Trail in Nova Scotia August 3-5, 2012 and involves cycling road routes with more than 100 cyclists participating and more than 50 volunteers.

ARES is involved with this organization in Alberta and Ontario, and they have put out a call to us for support for the first time in the Atlantic Region.

If you are able to help, please drop me a note at dougvo1dtm@gmail.com or contact Atlantic Director Ev Price at vo1dk@rac.ca or Deputy Director Len Morgan ve9my@rac.ca.

Thanks for your interest.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC

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Exciting New Logging Program LOG4OM

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351307-Exciting-New-Logging-Program-LOG4OM&goto=newpost

In recent weeks Daniele Pistollato IW3HWH has released an exciting new and free logging program called LOG4OM

Although the software is still under development it already provides most of the features that are to be expected from top quality Ham software plus some intriguing new facilities with more to come in the future.

LOG4OM already includes ....

1. SQLite and MySQL database options

2. Worked before warnings

3. On line call lookup from QRZ and HamQTH

4. QSL control including QSL card and label printing within the program.

4. Full upload/download feature for eQSL, LOTW, HRDLog and Clublog

5. HD Grey line map with Long/Short path heading and distance plotting.

6. Full DX Cluster support with 'Wanted' colour coded entries - Cluster commands and filters - Cluster scanner and a Super Cluster?

7. Integration with DM780 for data modes.

8. IOTA, Countries and LOTW databases built in and automatically updatable.

9. Statistic analysis including award status

10.CAT connection for most transceivers and receivers

11. ADIF import and export plus Excel .CSV and PDF export of log.

12. Cluster integrated with propagation information from HRDLog.net

Plus much, much more with exciting new features to come.....

The program is available in the English and Italian languages but at this time the user guide is only available in Italian, however the software is very intuitive without an English user guide, which will be available very soon.

LOG4OM can be downloaded FREE from http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/

LOG4OM Yahoo Group is located at
http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/Log4om_g4pop/

LOG4OM Eham reviews are here http://www.eham.net/reviews/detail/10506

Terry Genes G4POP

1103. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 27 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-27 17:23:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9bd60d604c376e8bc@google.com>
Source record: 2670
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Prefixo especial 5P12EU

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 10:06 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351658-Prefixo-especial-5P12EU&goto=newpost

Dia 30 de Junho a 22:00 horas UTC, (19:00 horas em Brasilia), entre em QRT o prefixo 5P12EU (Dinamarca na Presidencia da Comunidade Europeia).

Os operadores estarao bem ativos durante os ultimos 2 dias (29 e 30 de Junho) para dar a oportunidade de conseguir um QSO na maioria das bandas e modos possivel, ja que um Diploma é disponivel em 3 bandas (Bronze), 5 bandas (Prata) e 7 bandas (Ouro). A versao-PDF do Diploma é gratuito.

Na QRZ.com voces encontram um Link para uma pagina que mostra - em tempo real - quais operadores, bandas, modos e horarios estao ativos num dado momento.

Chamamos especialmente a atencao para os 160 metros, onde ate agora so poucos operadores estiveram QRV.

Modos: CW e SSB - e, - esperamos, - RTTY e PSK

Cordiais abracos a todos,

73'

OZ4CG Carsten, Administrador de
Diplomas traduzido por oz1hhh

1104. [DXNL] DXNL 1786 (Jun 27, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-27 18:29:25 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <55459801870.20120627200835@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2671
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1786 - Jun 27, 2012
DX Newsletter

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1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA
An international team of 13 operators will be active as 1A0C on HF
and 6m from July 1-4. Special attention will be paid to non-European
stations. With this campaign they intend to collect donations for the
aid programs of the "Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps" (CISOM).
QSL via OQRS, LoTW. See also: http://www.1a0c.com

5B4, CYPRUS, AS-004
Some members of the Paphos branch of the "Cyprus Amateur Radio Society"
plan to show up as P3EU to mark the first Cypriot presidency of the
European Union from July 1 until Dec 31. QSL via 5B4AHO.

CT, PORTUGAL, EU-150
Several members of the "Portuguese DX Group" (GPDX) will be active as
CT7/homecalls from Insua Island (EU-150, DIP MI-001, PIP NT-001,
DCFP F-006, DCP CVC-046 and CVC-047, DMHP VC-017 and VC-061, DFP FM-101
DMP 1602, DDFP CMN-12) during the month of July. The team with German,
Portuguese and Swiss OPs will be active in all modes on all bands.
They will join the RSGB IOTA Contest (Jul 28/29) signing CR6W in the
multi op/low power category. Some OPs will stay a little longer on the
island and plan to activate the lighthouse ARLHS POR-028, WLOTA 2869.
QSLs for CR6W via CS5DX. All other QSLs via the op's homecalls.
See also: http://gpdx.netpower.pt and http://www.to-mk.com/neu

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS
Andy,AB7FS, will be QRV again in holiday style signing E51AND from
Rarotonga (OC-013) between Jul 2 and Aug 25. He is a member of the
"Straight Key Century Club" (SKCC # 7723) and hopes to meet other SKCC
members in CW on 14050 kHz. He has been spotted also in the ANZA net,
daily at 0515 UTC on 14183 kHz. QSL via homecall.

Murray,ZL1MGA, is working as E51MGA in SSB on 20m. His length of stay

is unknown. QSL via homecall.

ES, ESTONIA
Eddie,ES2TT, will use the special callsign ES2012ABCS on the occasion of the "American Beauty Car Show" from July 1-8. Activities will take place in SSB/CW/PSK on 40m-6m from his home QTH Keila (Loc KO29eh) and also from the the exhibition in Haapsalu. QSL via ES2TT.

F, FRANCE
From Jul 2-8 the "Association des Radio Amateurs de la Cote d'Emeraude" (F4KIR) will activate the special event station TM0TSR from Saint-Malo on the occasion of the annual Tall Ships Races. QSL via F4FJH.
See also: http://www.tm0tsr.fr

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
On the occasion of the "Armed Forces Day" the special event station GB0AFD announced to be active on July 1. They would be very pleased to make contacts with other members of RNARS, RAFARS or the "Royal Signals Association". QSL via G4KLF.

Members of the "Milton Keynes ARS" will be active on the bands with their club callsign GB2BP from Jun 30 until Jul 1. QSL via bureau.
See also: http://www.mkars.org.uk

GJ, JERSEY, EU-013
Ralph,MJ/DL9MWG, and his brother MJ/DL3VJG will be QRV from the island of Jersey (EU-013) between Jun 27 and Jul 4. Since their holiday QTH has much space they will use several wire antennas on 160m-6m working in CW and SSB. QSLs via homecalls.

GM, SCOTLAND, EU-005
Paul,2E1EUB, is active as 2M1EUB on 160m-80m, in SSB on 2m and via AO-7 until Jul 9. QSL via 2E1EUB.

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA, OC-045
Yuri,N3QQ, and Dick,N7RO, will stay in Pago Pago from Jun 27 till Jul 3 for talks with the US Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) about a future DXpedition to the Rose Atoll (OC-190). They want to work as KH8PPG or KH8RRC during their spare time. QSL via N7RO or UA9OBA.

KP4, PUERTO RICO, NA-099
The "Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League" will activate the special event station K4O from the headquarters of the National Olympic Committee in San Juan between Jun 30 and July 1 to mark the journey of the Olympic flag over the Atlantic Ocean. QSL via NP3O.

LA, NORWAY
The special callsign LJ2T will be activated from the Telecommunications Museum of the Norwegian armed forces (Loc JP51ed) from June 28 until July 1. QSL via LA5EAA.

LY, LITHUANIA
The special event station LY200NB is QRV until June 30 and remembers

the crossing of the river Nemunas by Napoleon 200 years ago.
QSL via LY5W, LoTW.

The 54th anniversary of "Sea of Peace" is celebrated in July and some
HAMs are using the special callsign LY54SOP. QSL via LY5W, LoTW.
See also: http://www.amateurfunk-mvp.de/inhalte/sopdipl.htm

OE, AUSTRIA
The special event club stations OE2XXM and OE5XXM (special ADL: 553)
will be QRV from the "XXVIII International Amateur Radio meeting in
Gosau at Dachstein" on 2m/70cm/80m/40m (sometimes also on other bands)
from Jul 1-31. QSL via bureau.
They will be QRV again on the occasion of the "XXVI International Fall
Fielddays in Gosau" from Sep 1-30.

OZ, DENMARK
The Danish EU presidency ends on June 30. For this reason the OPs of
the special event station 5P12EU will start their final sprint on
Jun 29/30 and want to give everyone the opportunity to work missing
band points in CW/SSB, maybe also RTTY/PSK and even on 160m.
QSL requests via OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, direct QSL via OZ0J, own QSL not
necessary. Logsearch and awards program at: http://www.5p12eu.dk

SM, SWEDEN
Grimeton Radio (SAQ) sends in CW on 17,2 kHz at 0900 UTC and 1200 UTC
on Jul 1. SK6SAQ will be QRV on 14035 kHz (CW) and 14215 kHz (SSB) from
0915-1130 UTC and 1215-1300 UTC and in SSB on 3755 kHz at 0700 UTC.
Reports can be sent via e-mail to info@alexander.n.se or with a QSL via
bureau to SK6DK. Direct mail should be sent to: Alexander Grimeton
Veteranradios Vaenner, Grimeton 72, SE-432 98 Grimeton, Sweden.
See also: http://www.alexander.n.se

SP, POLAND
The scout station SN0HAL will be on the air from July 1 until Aug 31.
QSL via SP5ZIP.

TA, TURKEY
The "TC Special Wireless Activity Team" and the "Giresun Radio Amateurs
and Nature Sports Club" are going to visit some lighthouses of the
western Black Sea:
Jun 30-Jul 1 TC6BLH: Boztepe Lighthouse, Sinop
Jul 27-29 TC2KLH: Kefken Ada Lighthouse, Kocaeli
Aug 18-20 TC2ELH: Karadeniz Eregli Oeluece Lighthouse
Aug 30-Sep 2 TC6ILH: Inebolu Lighthouse, Kastamonu
Sep 1-2 TC2AL: Amasra Lighthouse
Sep 15-16 TC6GLH: Gerze Lighthouse, Sinop
Sep 29-30 TC2ZLH: Zonguldak Lighthouse
QSLs via TA1HZ. See also: http://www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA

TY, BENIN
Pat,LA0HF, will be QRV as TY2BP from Fidjrosse/Cotonou on 20m/15m/10m
for up to 45 days starting on June 26. QSL via IK2IQD (direct).

VE, CANADA
On the occasion of the 200th anniversary of peace between Canada and
the USA in July Dave,VE3FOI, will activate the special event station
CG3B from Niagara-on-the-Lake in Ontario. He also plans to join the
RAC Canada Day Contest from Fort George in Niagara-on-the-Lake on Jul 1
This special callsign should be reminiscent of General Isaac Brock.
QSL via VE3FOI. See also: http://www.nparc.on.ca/content/home

W, USA
The following special event stations are active during the
"Original 13 Colonies Special Event" from July 1-5:
Call QTH Manager
K2A New York KU2US
K2B Virginia KI4TYK, KJ4DHF
K2C Rhode Island KE1JF
K2D Connecticut K1PL
K2E Delaware NY3C
K2F Maryland KB3IFH
K2G Georgia K4PHE
K2H Massachusetts K2H
K2I New Jersey N2RO
K2J North Carolina KI4VBA
K2K New Hampshire W1STT
K2L South Carolina KG4RUL (d)
K2M Pennsylvania via OP homecall (d)
See also: http://www.13colonies.info

Apollo Memorial Program: ARI Tortona (IQ1TW) remembers the Apollo Program
(1961-1972) in July. A special award has been launched as well.
See also: http://aritortona.xoom.it

Hawaii IOTA Club: The Hawaii IOTA Club (KH6RRC) was founded by David,AH6HY,
Merle,K5MT, Yuri,N3QQ, Dick,N7RO, and Lanny,W5BOS. Their targets are
the exploration and activation of new IOTAs in the Hawaii archipelago.
Interested people are welcome to join.

IOTA QRGs: Klaus,DL7UXG, has published an overview of IOTA frequencies at:
http://www.mydarc.de/dl7uxg/dt/seite17.html

Webinar: A webinar focuses on the comparison of average stations with
Big Guns on June 30, 1900 UTC. Registration is required at:
https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/179521850

YASME: The new rules of the YASME award program have recently been published
http://www.yasme.org
http://www.yasme.org/news_release/2012-01-02.pdf

DXCC: TL8ES (2011) and TT8ES (2012) were approved for DXCC credit.

DXCC QRP: Since 2002 the ARRL publishes a non-endorsable QRP DXCC. Output
power is limited to 5 watts and QSLs do not have to be submitted.
See also: http://www.arrl.org/qrp-dxcc

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 1 RAC Canada Day Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Members of the "Grupo DX Teide" will activate
the Teide volcano "La Rambleta" from Jun 30 till Jul 2. This expedition
will take place on the occasion of the 5th anniversary of its initial
activation. With a height of 3555m this is the highest mountain in
Spain and situated in the Teide National Park (EAFF-075). The station
will be set up 163m away from the top (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, DME 38026
Loc IL18qg). Jose Antonio,EA8ARG, Luis,EA8AY, Miguel Angel,EA8BRW,
Francisco,EA8CW, and Angel,EA8BFH, will be active in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31
on 6m-80m signing EH8TID with 100 watts, verticals and wire antennas.
QSL cards will be sent automatically for each QSO in the log.
Otherwise QSL via EA8NQ (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.eh8tid.tk and http://ea8arg.ure.es

AS-004, 5B4/ZC4, Cyprus Island: Cyprus has the EU presidency for the first
time from July 1 until Dec 31, 2012. The special event station P3EU
(WLOTA 0051) will be active on the bands for this reason.
QSL via 5B4AHO (bureau/direct).

AS-047, JA6, Daito Islands: Kan,JE1SCF/6, and Yoshi,JG4IQC/6, may show up
from Daito Islands (WLOTA 0928, Okinawa prefecture, Nansei archipelago,
Kyushu region) between June 27 and July 2. They will use an HB9CV and
long wires in CW/SSB on 40m-10m. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-014, TK, Corsica: Peter,TK/ON8VP, spends his holidays on Corsica (DIFM
TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) from July 1-6. He wants to transmit
from the vicinity of Porto Vecchio mainly in SSB/CW on 40m and 20m
running 100 watts into a wire vertical. QSL via homecall.

EU-015, SV9, Crete: The special event station SX9S will be active from Jul 1
until Dec 31 marking the 50th anniversary of the national park "Samaria
Gorge" (SVFF-011). QSL via SV9AUE (bureau/direct).

EU-024, IS0, Sardinia Island: Claudio,IS0/IZ0KRC, is staying on Sardinia
(IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035, WLOTA 1608, Loc JN40tg) until Jul 15. He
works holiday style in SSB/CW/digital modes on the HF bands and 6m.
QSL via homecall (Buero/direkt).
See also: http://iz0krc.jimdo.com/new-2012-sardinia-is

EU-076, LA, Lofoten Islands: The second leg of his journey leads
Wolfgang,DM2AUJ, to the Lofoten Islands. He will be active on the
HF bands signing LA/DM2AUJ from Jun 30 until Jul 10. QSL via homecall.

NA-008, VY0, Nunavut (Ellesmere Island) group: Rob,KC0VEU/VY0, is active on HF from Ellesmere Island (Loc EQ79AX) until July 5. Depending on the weather, he may also activate the PEARL laboratory (Polar Environment Atmospheric Research Laboratory) from the rare locator ER60 and ITU Zone 75. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

NA-103, VP2M, Montserrat: Gordon,G3USR, will show up from Montserrat signing VP2MSR from Jun 30 until Jul 9. He will be QRV on all HF bands but his main focus is on 12m and 10m. If the 6m band opens to Europe he will be QRV there also. Graham,M0AEP is also active as VP2MDD at the same time. QSL for VP2MSR via G0USR and VP2MDD via M0AET.

EU-112, GM/MM, Shiant Islands: The DXpedition to the Shiant Islands (EU-112) announced in DXNL 1784 did not become active for unknown reasons.

IOTA Forum at the HAMRADIO fair in Friedrichshafen: The altered rules for the IOTA Contest 2012 were announed again at the IOTA Forum as well. The current rules can be found at:
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/riota.shtml

Further information was given about the design of the website, especially about the download of ADIF files.

Enrico,DL2VFR, reported about the activities of DM50IOTA within the IOTA marathon.

There were two interesting lectures by Nigel,G3TXF, and Jacques,F6BEE, about the VP6T (OC-044) and TX6T/p (OC-063) DXpeditions and also by Harry,RA3AUU, about the activation of Socotra (AF-028) as 7O6T and how difficult it was to obtain a license (over 2 years of preparation).

Following the ARRL decision to delete Malyy Vysotskiy Island (MVI) from the current DXCC list as of Feb 17, 2012, the IOTA Committee has considered action to be taken with regard to the future of EU-117. The presence of MVI in the IOTA list as a separate group was originally justified by its separate DXCC Entity status, so the island's deletion now called for action from IOTA. Faced with the prospect of a straight deletion of EU-117 and incorporation of the island into the EU-133 list the Committee formulated an alternative course of action involving the transfer of a section of the EU-133 'box' to EU-117, so avoiding deletion. It put the alternatives to an enlarged IOTA management group involving the 22 checkpoints for the first time. The consultation produced a clear majority in favour of splitting EU-133 to form two groups within the Gulf of Finland, North and South. The dividing line has been set at 60 degrees, 15 minutes north. The islands now constituting the two groups can be seen via the Search facility on this page. This change, which has an effective date backdated to Feb 17, 2012, means that past credits for MVI will continue to stand and new opportunities are created for contacting EU-117. Record-holders need take no action regarding existing credits as they will not be deleted as a consequence of this change, nor in the case of EU-133 credits need they be transferred unless requested. The Committee believes this to be an

imaginative solution in the best interests of the programme.

Russian IOTA/Arctic stations/RFF areas(preliminary information):
Victor,RW0BG (RRC #869), and Igor Petlin plan a trip along the river
Yenisei to the north from the beginning of July. They want to visit a
few islands of the Russian Robinson Program: Kazan Island (RR-06-32),
Mininskie Island (RR-06-33), Nikandrovskie Island (RR-06-34),
Deryabinskie Island (RR-06-35) and Island of Golchikha (RR-06-36).
They also plan to visit the Arctic station Sopochnaya. The second part
of their trip leads them to the Kara Sea to activate following islands:
Deer Island (RR-06-06) and Shokalski (RR-06-05, IOTA AS-083, RFF-030).
If possible, they want to join the IOTA contest as well. In the third
part, an activation of the IOTA group AS-109 is planned. Last not least
they plan to stay in the Tsentralnosibirsky (RFF-096) biosphere reserve
More detailed information will follow hopefully.

Lighthouse activities

GB0AFD LH 1841 Jul 1
K4O LH 2802 Jun 30-Jul 1
KH8PPG LH 4385 Jun 27-Jul 3
KH8RCC LH 4385 Jun 27-Jul 3

WFF activities

The collection of logs for the online query shall be simplified. In the
future, the logs will be collected nationally and then sent to Igor (EW4DX)
two or three times a month. This makes his work much easier.

SPFF Award Program: Information about the SP9YFF award can be found at:
http://www.sp9yff.pl/dyplom/ff.php?

YOFF: YO3FVR is working from the areas YOFF-149 and YOFF-381 from Jun 27-29.
He works with 5 watts. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

01Jul-04Jul 1A0C 1786 *
26Jun-09Jul 2E1EUB 1785
-09Jul 2M1EUB 1786 *
Unknown 3B8MM 1777
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-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
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-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-15Jul 8J3XVI 1779
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-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773

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-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
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-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Unknown CR6BWU 1784
Jul CR6W.. 1786 *
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
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-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784

Unknown E40VB 1780
02Jul-25Aug E51AND 1786 *
Unknown E51MGA 1786 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
30Jun-02Jul EH8TID 1786 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
01Jun-01Jul EM2012EURO.. 1782
01May-30Jun EM350S 1777
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
01Jul-08Jul ES2012ABCS 1786 *
Unknown EV1150P 1779
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Jul FR8NE 1710
30Jun-01Jul GB2BP 1786 *
-Jun G4BJC.. 1779
19May-27Jul G4WAB.. 1780
01Jul GB0AFD 1786 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767

2012 GB80PW 1762
22Jun-27Jun GP3ZME/p 1785

-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
Unknown HH2/9A7GAE 1776
-29Jun HH4/W3CMP 1785
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
23Jun-15Jul IS0/IZ0KRC 1786 *
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
26Jun-01Jul JA2MET/1 1785
27Jun-02Jul JE1SCF/6 1786 *
27Jun-02Jul JG4IQC/6 1786 *
Unknown JT5NM 1781
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY9ET 1779
01Jul-05Jul K2A.. 1786 *
30Jun-01Jul K4O 1786 *
10Jun-30Jun K6ZRH/DU1 1783
22Jun-05Jul KC0VEU/YV0 1786 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
27Jun-03Jul KH8PPG.. 1786 *
30Jun-10Jul LA/DM2AUJ 1785/1786 *
28Jun-01Jul LJ2T 1786 *
Jun LU4ZS 1784
-30Jun LY200NB 1786 *
Jul LY54SOP 1786 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770

27Jun-04Jul MJ/DL9MWG.. 1786 *
-15Aug NR4CB 1780
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Unknown OD5NJ 1784
Jul /Sep OE2XXM.. 1786 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
17Jun-30Jun OZ/DO6EBB 1784
01Jul-3112 P3EU 1786 *
-02Jul P4/ON4QX 1785
-28Jun PA300BPM 1784
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784
-31Jul R200BS 1783

12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
01Jun-30Jun R73EPC.. 1783
-Jan/13 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
18Jun-30Jun SD1B/6 1784
01Jul SK6SAQ 1786 *
01Jul-31Aug SN0HAL 1786 *
01Jun-01Jul SN2012GD.. 1782
-31Jul SX135HRC 1784
01Jul-31Jul SX9S 1786 *
Sporadically T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-Jun T6MO 1733/1767/1781
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786 *
17Jun-30Jun TF/VX3T 1784
01Jul-06Jul TK/ON8VP 1786 *
Unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782
24Jun-07Jul TM0CEZ 1785
02Jul-08Jul TM0TSR 1786 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755
-06Aug TT8PK 1785
26Jun-12Aug TY2BP 1786 *

-31Aug UE80C 1784
Jun V31WU.. 1782
-Jun V73/AF6SU 1784
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Jun-15Jul VC2L 1784
18Jun-02Jul VC390IC 1784
Jun VC3E 1782
01Jun-31Jul VK100WIQ 1783
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782/1786 *
30Jun-09Jul VP2MSR 1782/1786 *
21Jun-02Jul VP2V/W9DR 1785
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
15Jun-15Jul VX3ROYL 1784
25Jun-25Jul VX3X 1785
21Jun-02Jul VY0/AH6EZ 1785
21Jun-02Jul VY0/K9DXA 1785
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-Jul XV3C 1785
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774
-30Jun ZZ190GOB 1785

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

1A0C via OQRS, LoTW
2M1EUB via 2E1EUB
3A/DG5NFF via DG5NFF (B)
4L4ZA via DJ1CW (d)
5P12EU via OQRS, (L), OZ0J (d)
5T0JL via ON8RA(d), see QRZ.com
9A8VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
AJ4T/p via AJ4T
C4MG via 5B4KH (B)
C6ABB via N2RFA (L), eQSL
CE2/VE7SV via VE7WY (d), (L), eQSL
CG3B via VE3FOI
CR6W via CS5DX
DR0ALSFELD via DL1RI (B)
EA5/DL5EO via DL5EO (B)
E51AND via AB7FS
E51MGA via ZL1MGA
ED1J via EA1GPL (B)
EG0URA via EA7URA
EH2CJW via EA2CJW (B)
EH3EPC via EB3JT (B)
EH8TID via EA8NQ (B)
ES2012ABCS via ES2TT (B)
F5NEP/p via F5NEP (B)
F6CUG/p via F6CUG (B)
F6KQJ/p via F6KQJ (B)
F8DYD/p via F8DYD (B)
FJ/W6JKV via W6JKV
FK8CE via LZ1JZ (B)
GB0AFD via G4KLF (B)
GB2AMT via GB2BP
GB2BP (B)
GB2MLR via G4NOK (B)
GB2RRM via G0HSR
GB4H via G8GMU
HB0/DL6CX via DL6CX (B)
HG1DX via HA1XR (B)
HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ (B)
IH9/IK0SXU via IK0SXU (B)
IS0/IZ0KRC via IZ0KRC (B)
IZ7ATN/p via IZ7ATN (B)
JE1SCF/6 via JE1SCF (B)
JG4IQC/6 via JG4IQC (B)
JT1DDD via JA2VWG (d)
K2A via KU2US
K2B via KI4TYK, KJ4DHF

K2C via KE1JF
K2D via K1PL
K2E via NY3C
K2F via KB3IFH
K2G via K4PHE (B)
K2I via N2RO
K2J via KI4VBA
K2K via W1STT
K2L via KG4RUL (d)
K2M via OP-HC (d)
K4O via NP3O
KC0VEU/YV0 via KC0VEU (B)
KH8PPG via N7RO (B), UA9OBA (B)
KH8RRC via N7RO (B), UA9OBA (B)
KI4GGJ/p via KI4GGJ
KJ4AVG/p via KJ4AVG
KP2/K3TN via K3TN (L)
KV4T/p via KV4T
LJ2T via LA5EAA
LY200NB via LY5W (B), (L)
LY54SOP via LY5W (B), (L)
LZ1515PSB via LZ1KCP (B)
MJ/DL9MWG via DL9MWG (B)
MJ/DL3VJG via DL3VJG
OE2XXM (B)
OE5XXM (B)
OH0/OK1HH via OK1HH (B)
OH0/OK1AMM via OK1AMM (B)
ON50HC via ON3AIM (B)
P3EU via 5B4AHO (B)
PA914PORSCHE via PA1PDJ (B)
RA75PD via RK3DYB
R275T via UA4HRT (B)
RA75PD via RK3DYB
SK6SAQ via SK6DK (B)
SN0HAL via SP5ZIP
SX9S via SV9AUE (bureau/direct)
T31AA via N3BQR
TC6BLH via TA1HZ (B)
TC2KLH via TA1HZ (B)
TC2ELH via TA1HZ (B)
TC6ILH via TA1HZ (B)
TC2AL via TA1HZ (B)
TC6GLH via TA1HZ (B)
TC2ZLH via TA1HZ (B)
TK/ON8VP via ON8VP (B)
TM0TSR via F4FJH
TX5VT via F5IDM (KH6 bureau)
TY2BP via IK2IQD (d)
VP2MDD via M0AET (B)

VP2MSR via G0USR (B)
W4CCF/p via W4CCF
YU100SAF via (B, automatically), YU5CW (d)
VY2/DL1FDH via DL1FDH (B)
VY2/F8BMG/p via F8BMG (B)
W6GO/KH6 via W6GO (B)
W7F via AI4U (B)
W7F via AI4U (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived bureau: 9U0VB (UA4WHX)

QSLs arrived LoTW: KH2D, 7Q7VB

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1105. MMMonVHF Newsletter

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Date: 2012-06-27 19:39:42 UTC
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Message-ID: <201206271939.q5RJdUeA030566@server13.web4a.de>
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Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-06-27
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
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and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

All is prepaired and running well. Outside the hours on the Moon the Team will be qrv for
Tropo and MS as well (any skeds pse Mail to DL9MS).
Callsign VP9I is confirmed (thanks to VP9GI!)
A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EW: Belarus ; square KO43 & KO32; start 2012-08-01 **

Next Expedition from the SUDXF Team from KO43&KO32
>From August 1 to August 10, the team SUDXF will QRV MS, EME,

TROPO of squares KO42, KO32. We start at the same time of two squares:
one EME, from another MS and TROPO. After four days, changing squares.
Call - EW/UT2GWW. Range - 144 MHz? may be and 432 MHz.
Frequencies: EME - 144,138 MHz, MS - 144.353 MHz. The work is always in the first period.

Operators: EME - Anatoly, UY5HF, Alex, UR7GO. MS - Vlad, US8ZAL, Mike, US0GM.

QSL via US8ZAL

SOURCE: tnx to US8ZAL, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
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** DXCC: ES: Estonia; square KO18; start 2012-06-26 **

Hallo, during my holidays on the island saaremaa I will activate KO18.
Activities from ko17/07/08 are also possible. more info later.
RIG:150W+11el Yagi

SOURCE: tnx to Ronny DL1RNW direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: JW: Svalbard; square JQ68; start 2012-06-22**

JW7QIA qrv from JQ68TB
2 x 6 ele LFA, OP is LA7QIA

SOURCE: tnx to Joe, CT1HZE, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH: Finland; square KP33; start 2012-06-21 **

Markku, OH8UV, will be QRV on 50 MHz as OH7UV from KP23 with 100W in 4 el.

SOURCE: Markku, OH8UV, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA: Spain; square IN70 - IN71; start 2012-07-01 **

EA1RCS SPECIALL QSL- QSO WITH TRANSPONDER IN SONDE BALLOON
UP:145 DOWN: 435
Details at: www.uresegovia.org

SOURCE: tnx to EA1BYA - EA1RCS direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

Hi all

Itï¿½s just 6 weeks before the expedition and I promised to keep you informed.
These are our last news: We will arrive to Comoros on August 8^th and we will
be qrv on 6 meters from the following day, August 9^th until the 20^th .
We will run a dedicated station with K3 + pr6 preamp, ACOM1000, and a 6m8gj antenna.
QRV cw, ssb, digi modes (jt65a, iscat and jt6m) and EME . We will run a breakable beacon
on cw or jt65a. We hope to have internet access and will be on on4kst chats.
QTH will be LH18PJ just at sea side. By now we have got the license for
HF and 6 meters and flight tickets are already booked.

Schedule is as follows:
8/8 arrive to qth
9/8 install 6m station
First windows:
9/8 MR at 21.10Z
9/8 MS at 09.00Z
Last windows:
19/8 MS at 16:40Z
20/8 MR at 05:05Z
20/8 pack 6m station and return home
MR will be looking to mountains in the island about 200 meters high at 2 Km, will see how
it works.
MS will be looking to the sea, expecting good ground gain and low noise.
We donï¿½t have any particular frequency, usually I will TX first on 193.
We will have elevation when moon is higher than 20 degrees. We expect to run about three
hours before/after MS/MR, and use the rest of diurnal time for terrestrial modes. Of
course, if F2/TEP opens it will have priority, sorry, I think you will understand us.

Hope to work all you from D64K

73 Josep
EA3AKY

http://ea3aky.blogspot.com/__

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VU: India; square ????; start 2012-05-23 **

Until July 8th, Taj, VU2DJ, Sabu, VU2ELJ, Sree, VU2OB, Prabin,
VU2POL, Peeter, VU2PJP, Murali, VU2FWW, Thomas, VU2VJT, Sunil,
VU2ATB, Ashraf, VU3MTY, Mujeeb, VU3WII and Sanal, VU3SIO, will
activate the special call sign 8T1M from 160 - 2 Meter in CW, SSB,

PSK, RTTY, FM and D-STAR. QSL via VU2MLQ.
http://www.malabarradiohams.org/

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1106. eHam.net News for Wednesday 27 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-27 22:07:03 UTC
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Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08bf92a1404c37b6edc@google.com>
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eHam.net News

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Just Find Me On the Radio:

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28542

Almost 100 years ago, in 1914, The American Radio Relay League, ARRL, was founded. They now claim more than 156,000 members, also known as Ham Radio enthusiasts. This past weekend the ARRL hosted their annual Field Day event. The nationwide event is conducted for a 24 hour period. According to the ARRL website the object is to "To work as many stations as possible on any and all amateur bands (excluding the 60, 30, 17, and 12- meter bands) and in doing so to learn to operate in abnormal situations in less than optimal conditions." "It's really just to prepare us for emergency conditions." explained Whipple Walker, who holds a Amateur Radio Technician license and is part of the Marshall county Rescue Squad. "For instance, during the ice storm cell phone towers were down and you couldn't reach anyone who was outside the town you were in. We had to set up and communicate with Frankfort, share information and tell them our needs."

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Former ARRL General Manager and IARU President Richard Baldwin, W1RU (SK):

Posted: 26 Jun 2012 04:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28541

Richard "Dick" Baldwin, W1RU, of Damariscotta, Maine, passed away on Thursday, June 21, after a long struggle with Parkinson's Disease. He was 92. An ARRL Charter Life Member, Baldwin capped a long career on the ARRL staff with service as General Manager from 1975 until his retirement in 1982. He served as Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) from 1976-1982. After retirement, he continued his involvement as a volunteer, serving as IARU President from 1982-1999 and as ARRL International Affairs Vice President from 1982-1986.

1107. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 27 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-28 02:18:55 UTC
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio club tests emergency communication - Star Community Newspapers

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 03:14 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEUhO0FoQxzwwuBTIZwS0M6gAHbgg&url=http://www.scntx.com/articles/2012/06/27/news_update/7053.txt

ClaimsJournal.com
Amateur radio club tests emergency communication
Star Community Newspapers
"Were the support system in an emergency situation," said Lynda Tuma, member of McKinney Amateur Radio Club (MARC). "Its the ham radio operators who ...
Ham radio operators help at raceWisconsin Rapids Tribune
Police Explorers Begin Amateur Radio ClassesThe Missourian
Amateur radio operators prepare in case of an emergencyKAJ18 Kalispell Montana News
Post-Bulletin -Emergency Management -WAVY-TV
all 13 news articles

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Tyler State Park Hosts Amateur Radio Field Day Activities - Patch.com

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 11:38 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFzKLNbGr3GLZxM1fhV6_9rUJO2dQ&url=http://northampton.patch.com/articles/tyler-state-park-hosts-amateur-radio-field-day-activities

Tyler State Park Hosts Amateur Radio Field Day Activities
Patch.com
An amateur radio weekend with the Penn Wireless Association HAM radio club took place at Tyler State Park.
National Field Day promotes HAM radioSouth Hill Enterprise

all 2 news articles

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Staying tuned in when storms hit: Home Technology - Plain Dealer

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEO_D_6C-cc2JkvMaNlhXkG_mnxkg&url=http://www.cleveland.com/insideout/index.ssf/2012/06/staying_tuned_in_when_storms_h.html

Plain Dealer
Staying tuned in when storms hit: Home Technology

Plain Dealer
The CCRadio 2 added the ham band used by local amateur radio enthusiasts during disasters. With an additional patch cord, it can also play an MP3 player or ...

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Amateur radio operators practice communications as hobby and ... - KY3

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 07:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFrpwJvBvI5d72bHg6n6CkR2MnNbA&url=http://articles.ky3.com/2012-06-23/amateur-radio_32385426

Amateur radio operators practice communications as hobby and ...
KY3
Its a chance for the public to see what amateur radio is all about, as well as a ... Running on solar and battery power, Springfield Ham radio operators set up at ...

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Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny ... - San Jose Mercury News

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 06:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGBIyhqZ0iGIiP-fTwFaB4jUMM3rA&url=http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_20925126/radio-heads-have-field-day-competing-airwaves-bonny

Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny ...
San Jose Mercury News
Amateur radio, also called ham radio, is the use of designated radio frequency spectrum for private recreation or emergency communication. Business use is ...

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1108. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JULY 1 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-28 08:15:36 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <65aacce2-1589-4456-b2b1-9d7e672b8a25@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2675
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-07-01.mp3
Text edition:

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JULY 1 2012.

ILLEGAL REPEATERS. -

2012 Leap Second. -

IARU HF World Championship. -

SOTA activity in VK. -

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regularly use repeaters as part of their ordinary network management. However, when used without a carrier's permission, repeaters have the capacity to cause substantial interference to the cellular network and may have an impact on mobile services, including access to emergency call services.

Why are we telling you this?

The ACMA is aware that certain overseas-based internet traders (often appearing to be located in Australia) have been informing the Australian market that anyone in Australia can use repeaters 'legally'. This is not correct.

Simply put, the unlicensed operation of a repeater is illegal, and subject to the offence provisions in sections 46 and 47 of the Radiocommunications Act 1992.

Penalties for the use of repeaters are significant, including up to two years imprisonment or fines totalling $165,000.

(acma)

Television viewers in Melbourne will be the last city dwellers to see analogue TV in Australia.

Communications Minister Stephen Conroy has announced the final timetable for the switchover from analogue to digital TV signals in the remaining cities and regions.

Melbourne, along with remote and central Australia, will have its analogue signal switched off on December 10, 2013.

Other cities and areas from Adelaide, Tasmania, Perth, Brisbane, Darwin and Sydney will have their analogue signals turned off progressively from April 2, 2013.

The government has been progressively switching off the analogue television signal since 2010, with northern NSW the next area to become digital only on November 27.

Senator Conroy also has welcomed the passage of legislation to improve captioning on free-to-air and subscription television for deaf people.

The changes would include measures to make the captions more readable and accurate, while ensuring better access to televised emergency warnings for the hearing impaired. More than five million Australians were expected to have hearing loss by 2020.

(acma)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Central Highlands ARC AGM Weekend

The famous and popular Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM weekend at Camp Fairbairn south of Emerald, will be on 4pm Friday 28th to Midday Sunday 30th September.

Caravaners please book into Lake Maraboon Holiday Village, as soon as possible. CHARC Secretary Gordon VK4KAL needs to know from you if you are attending, so he and Dot can plan catering for the acclaimed Saturday Night Gastronomic Feed Up, arrange the troops to get enough chairs and treasure together for the coveted AGM Monster Auction, divvy up the available beds in the dorm and ensure there is enough grub for the Sunday Recovery Breakfast.

Find out more by contacting gordon.l23@skymesh.com.au

http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/charc/

(sourced to theTARCinc news)

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

REAST Training, Education & Assessment

Their recent successful Foundation licensees have received their callsigns. So, if you hear the following then why not give them a call and make them feel at home on the bands.

Lee VK7FAAI, James VK7FAAL, Tony VK7FTNY and Andrew VK7FAAJ.

If you are interested in amateur radio training and assessments and live in the South of VK7 please contact learning organiser Reg VK7KK on 0417 391 607, or via email on regemm@ozemail.com.au

(73, Reg VK7KK, REAST Education Officer and Assessor)

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

A recurring theme appears to be "What radio do I buy?" I asked another HAM and their breakdown went like this:

Basically it's like Macintosh vs. Windows,
or vi vs. emacs, or Holden vs. Ford, or Petrol vs. Diesel, or Gin vs. Tonic.

Every person you ask will give you a different response.

Instead of asking "What radio do I buy?" ask yourself another question:
"What do I want to do with my radio?"

In answering that question, you'll come
across some suitable candidates. With your short-list in hand, do some research, ask other Amateurs and see what your supplier has access to. You'll get a much better outcome and end up with a radio you can use.

Soooo, "What do I want to do with my radio?"

The obvious response is
"Everything!" Well, yes, but if you have a Foundation License, you cannot talk everywhere, you cannot use all modes and you can only use 10 Watts. You might live on a hill with nothing but farmland around, or you might live in an apartment with neighbours in all directions. You might have $100 to spend, or $5000, you may want to do contests or have your radio as a safety device, it might want to live in your car, or you might need to take public transport. You might want to talk to a local repeater, or you may want to work DX on HF.

Each of those different answers requires a different radio. The more you can articulate what you want to do, and talking to other Amateurs is an excellent way to find out what there is to do, will give you a completely different answer.

I purchased my radio because I wanted it to be all-bands, small and portable, but that's not necessarily you. So, think about what you want to do with your radio so you can decide what radio to get.

As a final note.

Each use scenario might call for a different radio, so don't be surprised if you end up with more than one - I know I'm beginning to see a trend - Hi Hi.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

SILENT KEY

Richard "Dick" Baldwin, W1RU passed away on Thursday, June 21.

He was 92.

An ARRL Charter Life Member, Baldwin capped a long career on the ARRL staff with service as General Manager from 1975 until his retirement in 1982. He served as Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) from 1976-1982. After retirement, he continued his involvement as a volunteer, serving as IARU President from 1982-1999 and as ARRL International Affairs Vice President from 1982-1986.

In 1991, Baldwin received the Hall of Fame Award from the Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA). In 1992, he was named the Dayton Hamvention Amateur of the Year. In 2003, he was inducted into the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame.

A memorial service is planned for 11 AM Friday, June 29 in Maine USA

(wia frontpage news)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

NEW Zealand technology company Tait Electronics says more than 9000 of its digital radios are being used by fire-fighters in Victoria.

The contract is one of the largest of its kind for the company founded by Sir Angus Tait, who died aged 88 in 2007.

CFA project director Doug Booth said the radios would also allow CFA to communicate with other state emergency-response agencies as new digital networks became available, improving co-ordination of resources during large-scale incidents and disasters.

Zimbabwe's first licensed commercial radio station has gone live, ending a 32-year monopoly by the state-controlled broadcaster and meeting some demands to free up the nation's airwaves ahead of proposed elections.

Star FM radio claimed that it is the first independent broadcaster since President Robert Mugabe led the nation to independence in 1980.

Japan is demonstrating a new cell phone that uses vibrations in its screen to transmit sound to the ear, in place of the traditional receiver speaker.

The phone went on sale Thursday in Japan.

This is the world's first to use "tissue conduction" technology in this way. The vibrations produced by the phone are picked by the ear physically, meaning there is less interference from background noise.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

UAE GOVERNMENT REGULATOR MEETS WITH NATIONAL HAM RADIO SOCIETY

The Emirates Amateur Radio Society has met with the United Arab Emirates Telecommunications Regulatory Authority or TRA. This to discuss amateur radio issues.

According to news reports, the meeting shed light on Emirates Amateur Radio Society perspectives related to regulations for radio communications amateurs issued by the TRA. This included amateur radio authorizations, frequencies used by UAE hams, the mechanism of authorizing visitors and residents to operate in that nation, and cooperation and coordination between the two groups during various activities. The two sides also discussed ways to utilize ham radio to support governmental entities while performing public service activities and at international competitions throughout the year.

At that gathering, the TRA stated that the United Arab Emirates is a country concerned with

providing various types of communications to users including radio communications. It said that meeting with a specialized entity such as the society is highly important in order to promote radio communications in the country. It added that this meeting garners further significance especially when it takes into consideration that the United Arab Emirates is a country that hosts numerous desert sports activities and competitions. This it says makes radio communications a key issue particularly with regard to cases of accidents, disasters, or being lost in the desert.

The meeting took place at the TRA headquarters in Abu Dhabi and brought to light a number of issues related to radio communications.

The full report of the meeting can be read at tinyurl.com/uae-hams

PHASE MODULATION TESTS ON WWVB

The National Institute of Standards and Technology or NIST is currently testing phase modulation in addition to the existing amplitude modulation on time standard station WWVB. The AM signal continues while the phase modulation is tested, so there should not be any interruption in service to existing AM devices. However, the NIST warns that phase-locked loop devices AM devices may lose signal lock at times during the tests. The experiment will end prior to the June 30th leap second correction at 10am AEST.

HAMS IN BROADCASTING VOIP GROUP

Hams in Broadcasting is a new on-line VoIP group that connects those in the broadcasting industry with one another world-wide. The system interconnects IRLP conference bridge 9615, EchoLink conference 96150 and Allstar Node 27405 for 24 hour a day communication and chatting between hams who are in the broadcast field. For more information on the "Hams in Broadcast" conference bridge, take a look at tinyurl.com/ar-conference-bridge

Also of note are two nets that meet on the bridge. Every Sunday night at 8:00 PM Eastern there is a general "Hams in Broadcast Net." It is usually hosted by Bruce Schiller, WA2ZST, who

works for the CBS network in New York City.

There also is a twice a month "SBE Hams on the
Air" net. More information on that gathering is
at tinyurl.com/broadcasters-VoIP

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RSGB

Oscar 7 celebrates 10 years of second life

Amateur satellite AMSAT-Oscar 7 was launched in November 1974 and worked for around 8 years, until its batteries short-circuited in mid-1981.

20 years on, the batteries mysteriously went open circuit and the satellite came back to life, operating purely from its solar cells. On 21st June 2002, the satellite was heard again, and last Thursday marked 10 years of AO-7 operating in this second lease of life.

The full story is at www.uk.amsat.org/8524

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

2012 Leap Second

The last minute of June 30th 2012 UTC will be 61 seconds long, the extra second being a "leap second". Leap seconds are introduced to maintain synchronisation between atomic clocks and more traditional time scales such as Greenwich Mean Time.

These leap seconds are introduced approximately every 18 months, at the end of June or December, usually to give the Earth's rotation a chance to catch up on our clocks.

In Eastern VK the leap will take place close to 10am.

This leap second represents a chance to record the leap second by DXing an international time signal (e.g. Moscow on 4.996 MHz). As the future of leap seconds is under discussion at the ITU, this could be the last chance to have a QSO with a leap second!

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

2012 IARU HF World Championship

Second full weekend of July, beginning at 12:00 UTC on Saturday 14 July
and ending at 12:00 UTC on Sunday 15 July.

The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs,
especially IARU Member Society HQ stations, around the world as possible
using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands using phone and/or CW.

All IARU Region 1 Member Societies are invited to actively participate with
their official stations and to encourage their members to also participate.

The rules for the 2012 contest are available on http://bit.ly/9droX1

WIA news has not been informed if a HQ station from this society is planned.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

C K 6 S - Special Event Station for the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary
Stampede July 5 to 15. A special QSL card will be available through
the QSL bureau or direct. Planned frequencies are in the general
portion of the US phone bands around 3.825, 7.180, 14.250, 21.320
& 28.475

The team who were so "bad" at Cape Liptrap last August have decided to be bad
again! VK3BAD that is. At the end of August a 20 strong team will travel
into the Otway Ranges. The Station will operate on most HF frequencies 160 - 10mtrs
and on 6 and 2 metres and 70cm with contact to the Melbourne Area via the
Geelong 2 mtr repeater.

So please listen out for VK3BAD on 31st August through until September 3rd.

Further details on QRZ.com under VK3BAD

Thirty years have passed since 1A made its way onto the DXCC list.

An activation by an International team looks to celebrate from the 1st to
the 4th July,as 1A0C from Santa Maria del Priorato, home of the Sovereign
Military Order of Malta.

GB 0 TLR Railways on the Air

Southgate Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event station for
the Railways on the Air event on 22nd and 23rd of September.

This is being run in conjunction with the North London Model Engineering
Society at the Tyttenhanger Light Railway site near London Colney,
Hertfordshire using call sign GB0TLR, the same callsign as used last year
and operating on 20, 40 and 80 metres.

Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ 2 A from the
Isle of Jersey during the Radio Society of Great Britain's'
Islands on the Air Contest.

This event taking place July 28 and 29.

QSL direct to GJ 3 DVC.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

2012 ATV QSO Party

Peter VK3BFG the custodian of the VK3RTV Digital ATV Repeater let's all know that he is planning the 2012 ATV QSO Party.

It is planned for the weekend of the 24 -25 and perhaps 26th August.
At this stage, participants from VK2, VK3, VK4, VK5 and VK7.

It is hoped to link to the Gosford ATV Repeater in VK2 and also have a QSO via linked stations on various frequencies from VK5. Again a link to the W 6 ATN network in Southern California thanks to Don, KE6BXT who has agreed to be the US anchor.

Peter is asking ATV stations and others who wish to participate to keep these dates in mind. At this stage a VK hook-up probably Friday night, with a VK/US hook-up on the Saturday morning/afternoon.

Peter is also trying to include stations from ZL and G.

www.vk3rtv.com

(73, Peter VK7BFG)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

Yes, it's that time of the month once again!

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that tomorrow Monday July 2nd the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's monthly News and Information Bulletin will be broadcast on a number of HF and VHF frequencies.

The principal HF transmissions will be on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz USB at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for the eastern states, and at 0200 UTC beamed westward for Western Australia.

During tomorrow, numerous local relays will take place on both VHF and lower HF frequencies. To find the times and frequencies for your area please visit the RAOTC website at www.raotc.org.au

Once again, that's www.raotc.org.au

Everyone, RAOTC Members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half hour of Old Timer news, information and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday July 2nd.

If there are any problems, please let me know.

73 from Clive VK6CSW.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

This weekend an international team of scouts was present at HAM RADIO in
Friedrichshafen Germany. The team had members from Germany, Switzerland,
Austria and Netherlands.

At the stand more than 500 visitors were registered from which many wanted
more information and liked JOTA-JOTI a lot.

They participated in the Ham Rally for youngsters with two typical scout
communication games. In this more than 60 children participated.

The presence of Scouting, the biggest youth organisation at the fair, was
well recognised and welcomed.

The photos of the JOTA stand have been uploaded and you can see them at the
following link.

https://plus.google.com/photos/106521796031032346462/albums/5757528805625099665?authkey=CO
-fovq88Ke2mAE

(YIS, Remko, PE1MEW)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Sri Lanka's amateur radio operators have renewed their call to be included
in communication work during national disasters, after the defence
authorities relaxed rules on clearing equipment.

The report in Lanka Business says:

Popularly known as "ham radio" enthusiasts, amateur radio operators use a designated radio frequency spectrum to communicate non-commercial messages, private recreation, wireless experiments and emergency communication.

"We would like to join-up with the National Disaster Management Centre in some small way, to help them with emergency communication work," Radio Society of Sri Lanka official, Victor Goonetilleke 4S7VK said during the public lecture on Disaster Risk Reduction, organised by LIRNEasia, a regional ICT think-tank.

With some 200 members under its umbrella, the Radio Society of Sri Lanka is not new to disaster communications in the island.

The society played a crucial role during the 2004 Asian tsunami that claimed over 30,000 lives when giant tidal waves struck the island's shores displacing about one million people.

Read the full Lanka Business story at
http://www.lankabusinessonline.com/fullstory.php?nid=1289520459

The Radio Society of Sri Lanka
http://www.rssl.lk/

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- SUMMITS ON THE AIR
www.sotawatch.org
www.sota.org.uk

SOTA activity in VK drawing in more activators and chasers

In just 5 short months, there have been 41 summits that have seen at least one SOTA activation, with some summits seeing up to 4 activations. The Queen's Birthday weekend stood out, giving VK SOTA Activators and Chasers a buzz with several stations activating and a good number of summit to summit QSOs. Prior to June there had only been one VK s2s. First VK SOTA pileups starting to form.

The bonus season in VK3 has started and so far there have been two activations, at Mt Richie VK3/VC-003 and MT Donna Buang VK3/VC-002, both activated by Wayne VK3WAM. The Donna Buang activation will go down in history with the first ever SOTA s2s VK/DX contact with G0PEB/p on G/SE-008. June also saw a second VK3 operator, Allen VK3HRA achieve a DX contact with ND0C.

Ian VK5CZ made a trip to Melbourne to spend time looking at summits for a future VK5 association. So far around 300 summits have been identified, with a comprehensive survey around all of the state. There are some summits around Adelaide, many in the Flinders Ranges, some in the Eyre Peninsula and a large number in the north west of the state. Some of these areas are very remote, but could make for memorable trips in the best traditions of a DXpedition. Something to look forward to. Some VK5'ers are actively chasing VK3 activators, and SOTA look forward to VK5 joining the SOTA family in the not too distant future.

Also welcome a new activator, VK3AFW, and chasers VK3AFW again, VK5PAS (worked 2E0YYY in May on Shining Tor G/SP-004), VK3YY, VK2UH, VK3AZZ,

VK3TPH.

Wayne VK3WAM will be presenting on SOTA from a VHF and up perspective at GippsTech on July 7.

REWIND

GB100MWT from Sandford Mill Museum

Saturday, June 23, the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society operated GB 100 MWT to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the opening of the world's first purpose built radio factory.

Work on the Marconi factory in New Street, Chelmsford started in February 1912 and on June 22 a special train brought International Radiotelegraphic Conference delegates from London to Chelmsford for the formal opening.

To celebrate the 100th anniversary members of C.A.R.S. operated from the Sandford Mill Museum in Chelmsford where there is an extensive collection of radio equipment from 1912 to the present time.

A Marconi T 1154 transmitter and R 1155 receiver station was operated from the Marconi Hut inside the museum on 80m AM. Some 80,000 of these sets were produced during WWII but very few are in operational use today. The equipment was restored by G3SUY and used an 80 Metre doublet antenna. A separate station was operated on CW.

(sourced to southgate)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1109. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 28 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-28 11:06:42 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08b4b07ba04c386538c@google.com>
Source record: 2676
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UJN9SgVHYYg/june_28.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A rubbish week, with the weekend, as usual, a little better but not much.
TA2TR (Turkey) did some good spotting and a couple of ED (Spain) stations
came out top at the weekend. But it was a really disappointing week

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Continued decline in Friedrichshafen attendance

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x8SeAd96fBE/continued_decline_in_friedrichshafen_attendance.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The numbers attending the Friedrichshafen Ham Radio event fell again this
year

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KiwiSAT hoping for launch mid-2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8-myN4FhBmE/kiwisat_hoping_for_launch_mid_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The development of the amateur radio satellite KiwiSAT is completed and it
is now ready for a LEO launch

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Huntsville's Amateur Radio Club on TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yZ92kHyJato/huntsville_amateur_radio_club_on_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim N8DEU reports that Huntsville radio hams received good media coverage
at last weekend's Field Day

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Radio Ham's Honeymoon Adventure

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IYhc03Ei-bU/radio_hams_honeymoon_advent

ure.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Helen Woolnough and Neil Melville PA9N are setting off on a honeymoon with
a difference, and they aim to make a difference by raising money for charity

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World's first solid state RF microwave oven

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9AXkhPXcmAg/worlds_first_solid_state_rf_microwave_oven.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new microwave oven uses solid state devices operating at 2450 MHz to
replace the magnetron which has been used in ovens since 1947

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0OyN6xxH4Yc/june_28.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News + IOTA Forum news from HAMRADIO fair in Friedrichshafen

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CYFsJ2YgsEg/wca_2806.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW has news of three more imminent operatons for the World
Castles Award

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6 and 10 reports

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/p4amPgSlKhA/6_and_10_reports.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Martin Harrison, G3USF, has produced a number of shorter 6 and 10 reports
in order to 'catch up' and produce a more current report

1110. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 28 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-28 16:16:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08ba4db0e04c38aa825@google.com>
Source record: 2677
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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New Release: Ham Radio Deluxe v5.23

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 07:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351847-New-Release-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-v5-23&goto=newpost

Tampa FL, St. Paul MN, Pittsburgh PA ☐ June 27, 2012

HRD Software, LLC announces the release of Ham Radio Deluxe 5.23.

HRD developers have been working to dramatically improve the callsign lookup function and address some maintenance items. HRD 5.23 and the preliminary manual are on the web site ready for download.

Mike Carper, WA9PIE, said, ☐The feedback from our beta-testers indicates that this release is the best version ever of the Ham Radio Deluxe Suite.☐ This version of Ham Radio Deluxe features powerful new options for callsign lookup. Users can set the priority of lookup sources like QRZ.com, their logbook entries, CD databases, and Logbook☐s country index. ☐Our users provided us valuable insight about how they☐re more confident in the data in their logbook than the CD and online data sources. It only made sense to allow them to choose the priority,☐ Mike added. Users are also prompted when lookup sources don☐t agree about the country location of stations they are adding to their log. This enables the user to make a choice about which country should be logged. The company invites hams to visit the company☐s YouTube channel for a demonstration of these new features.

Rick Ruhl, W4PC, said, ☐Erik Gawtry, KC0WWC, really showed his stuff in this release. I feel Erik is one of the best programmers in the country and I think the hams will be amazed at the magic he has done for this release. Hams also have been key players with both their input and support of our new company. Every hamfest that we attend we meet so many new friends and supporters.☐

This concludes development of the v5.x product roadmap. The company has also continued development of v6.0 and intends to release it by the end of summer 2012.

Version 6.x will have many new features which will include FSK support, a new QSL and awards tracking interface, improved cluster filters, label printing, and the Super Sweeper in Digital Master. Super Sweeper will allow multiple signals to be decoded in a single window.

A discounted pre-buy of version 6.0 is being offered for $59.95. This includes technical support for v5.2. Those that have purchased or will purchase the 5.X support will still get one year of support from the date of the 6.0 release.

You can purchase and download the product at http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/HRDsoftware

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When All Else Fails: Hams prepare for emergencies during Field Day 2012

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 06:35 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351842-When-All-Else-Fails-Hams-prepare-for-emergencies-during-Field-Day-2012&goto=newpost

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Times-Mirror Staff Photo/Michelle Stevens

Gene May of the Loudoun Amateur Radio Group writes down the call sign of another amateur ☐ham☐ radio operator for a 24-hour contest called Ham Radio Field Day in Lovettsville June 24.

Tue., Jun. 26 by Alicia Constant

Voices and static mingled on the airwaves as amateur radio operators baked in the heat Saturday. ☐QR-Zed.☐ ☐Kilo Echo Four, Oscar Kilo Yankee.☐ ☐Oscar Kilo Yankee?☐ With contact established, the Lovettsville radio operator repeats the full call sign to the voice that originates from a Canadian boat.

The operator made contact as part of Field Day, a 24-hour contest where thousands of amateur radio operators, called ☐hams,☐ practice communicating off the grid with other hams in the United States and Canada. Around 60 hams in Loudoun County participated in two Field Day events, one at Park View High School in Sterling and the other in Lovettsville.

On Field Day, each amateur radio club attempts to earn points by making contacts and logging ☐call signs☐ ☐ the unique letter and number code the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) licenses to each ham radio operator.

The Loudoun Amateur Radio Group (LARG) in Lovettsville made nearly 4,500 contacts, and the Sterling Park Amateur Radio Club made around 2,000 contacts as radio operators worked in shifts through Saturday night into Sunday afternoon. The groups☐ more unusual contacts included a 737 pilot over Utah and a ham in Puerto Rico.

Using ham radio satellites, a signal from Loudoun County can reach a radius of more than 1,000 miles. The hallmark achievement: making contact with the

International Space Station, where many of the astronauts are also ham radio operators.

In an era of Facebook, cell phones and Skype, ham radio is a little-known form of communication. Yet hams pride themselves on being the first to contact the outside world after a large-scale natural disaster that knocks out the Internet and cell phone towers. Field Day allows hams to practice setting up their stations on solar, generator, and battery power. The National Association for Amateur Radio proudly asserts that amateur radio gets the message through □when all else fails.□

Ham radio attracts a fiercely loyal following, with around 700,000 operators across the country and 3 million around the world.

□Everyone□s experience getting into ham radio is different,□ said Chris P., a ham who participated in the LARG Field Day event. (He requested his last name be withheld because he works for the federal government.)

Chris is proud to carry his great-grandfather□s call sign, though he says interest in ham radio □skipped two generations□ in his family. He first became a ham in high school, when he got his license through the Boy Scouts.

When he was deployed overseas during the 1990s, he would travel to a Military Auxiliary Radio Service (MARS) station to call home. The MARS operator would radio a ham in his hometown and ask him to connect Chris to his family via telephone: □This was before the days of video chat, and you□d call up for about five minutes and say, □Hey, Mom, guess where I am?□□

Several years ago, he decided to get re-certified as a ham operator, and he□s been involved ever since.

Through the course of a year, hams participate in a variety of events, from launching and chasing weather balloons to volunteering as trained weather spotters for the National Weather Service□s Skywarn.

Hams provide vital information to Skywarn because they□re able to communicate directly from the ground, said LARG Field Day Chairman Gary Quinn: □When a ham operator can look out the window and call the weather service and say, □Yes that□s a tornado,□ it validates their data.□

When a disaster strikes, Quinn said, □We know before the general public. We□re the ones pushing out the information.□

http://www.loudountimes.com/index.ph...s_during_2012/

Attached Images

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1111. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 28 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-28 16:32:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed1a977204c38ae08a@google.com>
Source record: 2678
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Looking WAS TA4AU

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 10:50 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351792-Looking-WAS-TA4AU&goto=newpost

Hi all i setup new antenna on my roof but i have very bad neighboyr dont like my antenna so i must unsetup down my antenna July 20. I m lokking WAS Certificate..... But No problem every users come

I need 8 State Qso and Qsl Change, Please Look me on 20 Meter SSB Every evening . 00:00 UTC/GMT (My local time 03:00)

Montana , Wyoming , New Mexico , North Dakota , South Dakota , Arkansas, Hawai, Us Virgin

Help me.....

If im online see my Radio Frequency.

1112. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1067.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-28 17:59:23 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <213669.69547.qm@smtp110.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2679
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and 1A0C for the following DX information.

1A, S.M.O.M. (Press Release - Thoughts about the magic band. Last press release before the kick off). Posted on June 28th, by the 1A0C team [edited]: "Roma is not precisely a remote place with scarce ham population! So we don't see the need of a beacon. Even more, we don't want to upset the local ham community with another broadcasting signal in the band, there is a nice beacon already (I0JX) and it will be more than enough. We will, of course, keep watching the early warning sites such as the 6m ON4KST prop pages and DXCluster.
As it was intended from the beginning this operation is primarily focused on working North America and Asia. Our plan for 6m is to steer the beam to JA in the morning. All eastern EU will be covered in 1 hop as well. And turn the beam to NA past midday, giving a chance for the eagers in West EU. Last operations by 1A0KM has provided Sovereign Military Order of Malta to most of the EU 6m population, however there are very few dxpeditions planned for this season, therefore pileups from the old Europe can be large as people are idle looking for any prey to hunt.
The 6m propagation, specially on Es skip, is unpredictable, but our experience of the last 20 years points that during the last week of June/1st of July conditions are best for Xatlantic contacts and long haul openings to the N. East. We need to be very observant for any possible multihop event, managing meanwhile the EU pileup smartly whilst looking for possible links across the Pond or Siberia. This is not easy, but we have done it successfully and recently from Algeria, Egypt, Morroco, Palestine, Andorra, etc.
At the end, we are in Europe, hence, when working EU the so called "DX-windows" must be avoided, that is 50.100-50.130. We are thinking to stay fixed on one frq for all CW operation below it, between 50084-95, in order to not to disturb upwards the band to leak the pileup into the DX windows and choose a phone frq up in the band, away from the DX zone, e.g. 50180. We really hope the local operators, and even the European 6m

fans, will appreciate this decision of the team.

BAND PLANS

BAND	CW	SSB	RTTY
6M	50.084	50.180	--
10M	28.024	28.495	28.080
12M	24.894	24.945	24.921
15M	21.024	21.295	21.080
17M	18.074	18.145	18.100
20M	14.024	14.145	14.080
30M	10.104	---	10.140
40M	7.004	7.065/7.160	7.035
80M	3.524	3.780	--

50 MHz information and operating tips

• The 6 meter band will be included in this operation. We'll focus for long haul openings, as most of the Europe regions have been widely covered in the recent years.
• We plan to use the following frequencies: 50.084 for CW and 50.180 for SSB. Although they may be changed, depending on local noise/birdies. Split operation will be deployed when needed.
• The main mode will be CW. If band conditions permit, SSB will be used to gain a higher QSO rate. Please do not ask for mode changing.
• Please avoid QSO duplication, give others a chance. Logs will be uploaded twice a day to our website. If it will work, we will provide the live log online (new are not sure 100% now).
• We don't find necessary to set a beacon station this time.
• Our Grid Locator is JN61FV. Please, DO NOT send your locator, it is not needed and we won't log it anyway, it wastes precious time."

For more details and updates, please visit the 1A0C Web page at:
http://http://www.1a0c.com

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject•lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject•bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject•subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1113. The ARRL Letter for June 28, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-28 20:01:51 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120628184426.12851286A6@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2680
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Please note: Due to the Fourth of July holiday next week, there will be
no ARRL Audio News on Thursday, July 5. The ARRL Letter will be sent
out on its regular schedule.

==> + SILENT KEY: FORMER ARRL GENERAL MANAGER AND IARU PRESIDENT
RICHARD BALDWIN, W1RU (SK)

Richard "Dick" Baldwin, W1RU, of Damariscotta, Maine, passed away on
Thursday, June 21, after a long struggle with Parkinson's Disease. He
was 92. An ARRL Charter Life Member, Baldwin capped a long career on
the ARRL staff with service as General Manager from 1975 until his
retirement in 1982. He served as Secretary of the International Amateur
Radio Union (IARU) from 1976-1982. After retirement, he continued his
involvement as a volunteer, serving as IARU President from 1982-1999
and as ARRL International Affairs Vice President from 1982-1986.

Baldwin began his career at ARRL Headquarters in 1948 as an Assistant Secretary. After a brief hiatus to work in the private sector in the early 1950s, he returned in 1956 as Managing Editor of QST, where he was responsible for production of the monthly member journal and all ARRL publications. In 1963, Baldwin became Assistant General Manager and almost immediately got involved with international matters. He organized the Intruder Watch one year later, and served as the ARRL Liaison between the amateurs who monitored the bands and the FCC. Baldwin was named by the ARRL Board to succeed John Huntoon, W1RW, on Huntoon's retirement as General Manager, the position now titled Chief Executive Officer, in 1975. In total, Baldwin wrote 234 articles and columns for QST.

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, who succeeded Baldwin as General Manager in 1982, observed that Baldwin is responsible for much of Amateur Radio's success in retaining and expanding its international frequency allocations: "Beginning in 1964, strengthening our position at the International Telecommunication Union in preparation for what ultimately became the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference, was a major preoccupation in Dick's life. He played a key role in developing and implementing the strategy that led to success. Sitting at Dick's elbow in the years leading up to WARC-79 was an extraordinary learning experience for which I will always be grateful."

As IARU President, Baldwin led the development and adoption of a new IARU Constitution and oversaw the continued strengthening of the IARU as the spokesman for Amateur Radio at the ITU and in regional telecommunications organizations. In 1999, he was named IARU President Emeritus for his service to the IARU and the Amateur Radio Service. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-arrl-general-manager-and-iaru-president-richard-baldwin-w1ru-sk>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: ARRL OFFERS ONLINE PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING

The former Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (AREC) series of three levels of emergency communications courses has been reconfigured into two new courses: An introductory course for radio amateurs who want to volunteer to provide services for public service and emergency communications, and a course for leaders and managers who are responsible for training and coordinating response efforts. The course descriptions for both of these courses that make up the ARRL's ARES® training program can be found in the ARRL Online Course Catalog. Links to register for each course are included in the course descriptions. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-offers-online-public-service-training>.

==> + NOTES FROM THE ARRL VEC DESK

The ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) is one of 14 VECs in the US that coordinate the efforts of Volunteer Examiners (VEs) who administer Amateur Radio operator license examinations. More than

11,000 active ARRL VEs throughout the country give back to Amateur Radio by administering approximately 40,000 Technician, General and Amateur Extra exam elements each year. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/notes-from-the-arrl-vec-desk>.

==> NEW VOLUNTEER EXAMINER APPAREL AND SUPPLY ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE

If you're an ARRL Volunteer Examiner, take note: The ARRL has recently introduced new apparel and supply items <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Volunteer-Examiner-VE/> just for you. Choose between a new black polo-style shirt <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Volunteer-Examiner-Polo-Shirt/> (sizes S-4XL) or a white long-sleeved button down shirt <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Volunteer-Examiner-Oxford-Shirt/> (sizes S-3XL), each embroidered with the ARRL diamond logo and "Volunteer Examiner" on left chest. Wear your VE badge on the new ARRL VE lanyard <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Volunteer-Examiner-ID-Badge-Lanyard/>. This stylish white lanyard is imprinted with "ARRL Volunteer Examiner" and "Amateur Radio" in black. It includes a bulldog clip for your call sign badges or your ARRL VEC credentials. Carry your VE exam supplies in style with the ARRL VE Portfolio <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Volunteer-Examiner-Zippered-Portfolio/>. This black portfolio features a zipper closure and is imprinted with the ARRL diamond logo and words "ARRL VEC Exams." There's lots more available in the ARRL VEC Online Store <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Volunteer-Examiner-VE/>, including the ARRL VEC Volunteer Examiner Manual <http://www.arrl.org/shop/ARRL-VEC-Volunteer-Examiner-VE-Manual/>, ARRL VE patches <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Volunteer-Examiner-VE/>, challenge coins <http://www.arrl.org/shop/VEC-Challenge-Coin/> and pins <http://www.arrl.org/shop/VEC-Pin/>.

==> + INTERNATIONAL NEWS: ARRL ATTENDS HAM RADIO 2012 IN GERMANY

HAM RADIO 2012 in Friedrichshafen, Germany -- held June 22-24 -- is billed as Europe's biggest Amateur Radio exhibition. Held annually in the Lake Constance region, this is the 37th international Amateur Radio exhibition and the 63nd Lake Constance Convention of Radio Amateurs, sponsored by the German Amateur Radio Club (DARC), which gave rise to the fair. Each year, a contingent from ARRL attends HAM RADIO. In 2012, this group included ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, along with ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, ARRL Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, and ARRL Field Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-attends-ham-radio-2012-in-germany>.

==> ON THE AIR: ARRL UHF/MICROWAVE BAND PLAN COMMITTEE SEEKS COMMENTS ON PROPOSED 23 CM BAND PLAN

Last winter, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. The excellent level of

response provided us with the basis to complete drafts of the 9 cm, 13 cm and 33 cm revised band plans for ARRL Board approval. The Committee has now prepared for your consideration a draft band plan for 23 cm (1240-1300 MHz), the final band on its assigned list. Please look over the accompanying draft and let us know if you have any major concerns. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-uhf-microwave-band-plan-committee-seeks-comments-on-proposed-23-cm-band-plan>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The Sun came up this morning like a burning red balloon <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QHJccFvSPgQ>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Sunspot activity continued to drop until early this week: The average daily sunspot numbers were 26.3, down more than 58 points from last week's numbers, while the average daily solar flux declined to 92.8, down over 33 points from last week's average. The weekly sunspot number average has declined since the May 31-June 6 period, when it was 130.4, followed by 116.1 the next week, 84.6 the next and 26.3 this week. In last week's ARRL Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter?issue=2012-06-21#toc09>, we reported the average daily sunspot number as 87, but it was really 84.6. This is because we reported what may have been a preliminary sunspot number of 46 for June 20, but the sunspot number for that date was 29. Geomagnetic conditions over the past week were quiet. The average planetary A index was 5.7, down from 12.6 last week, 9 the week before and 13.4 the week before that. The quiet planetary A index for this week was exactly as it was on the week of May 24-30 -- 5.7 -- which also happened to be the mid-latitude A index for that period. The latest prediction from USAF/NOAA shows geomagnetic activity peaking on June 29-July 4, probably from a coronal hole spewing solar wind. The predicted planetary A index for June 28-30 is 7, 10 and 18, followed by 15 on July 1-3, 10 and 8 on July 4-5, 5 on July 6-7, 8 on July 8-9, 5 on July 10-25, and then 10, 18, 15, 15, 15 and 8 on July 26-31. This is an echo of the activity this week, based on the 27.5 day rotation of our Sun, relative to Earth. The predicted solar flux is 110, 115 and 115 on June 28-30, 120 and 125 on July 1-2, 130 on July 3-5, 135 and 140 on July 6-7, 135 on July 8-9, 130 on July 10-11, 125 on July 12-13, then 120, 115, 110 and 105 on July 14-17. Solar flux may dip below 100 around July 19-28. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, June 29. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Eurythmics' You Hurt Me <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eurythmics>.

==> + DXCC DESK APPROVES SEVEN OPERATIONS FOR CREDIT

In June, the DXCC approved seven operations for DXCC credit. On June 21, the 2012 TT8ES (Chad) operation, the XX9E (Macao) operation and the 2011 TL9EL (Central African Republic) were approved. On June 25, the

2012 XW4XR (Laos) operation was approved. On June 26, the 2010 J28RO (Djibouti) operation, the 2011 J25DXA (Djibouti) operation and the 2012 5X1RO (Uganda) operation have been approved. "If you had cards that were recently rejected for these operations, please send an e-mail <dxcc@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note that due to extremely heavy e-mail, DXCC staff may not respond to your message. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc/>. Due to a backup on DXCC e-mail, DXCC staff will make the corrections to accounts, but may not respond directly to messages about this." Moore noted that the J28RO and 5X1RO logs have been uploaded to LoTW.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- July 1 -- RAC Canada Day Contest; WAB 144 MHz Low Power Contest (Phone)
- July 2-8 -- 10-10 International Spirit of '76 QSO Party
- July 3 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- July 4-5 -- Michigan QRP July 4th CW Sprint

Next week:

- July 6 -- NCCC Sprint
- July 7-8 -- Venezuelan Independence Day Contest; DL-DX RTTY Contest; Original QRP Contest; PODXS 070 Club 40 Meter Firecracker Sprint (local time)
- July 8 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest; QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint
- July 9 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- July 11-12 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- June 30 -- ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/eastern-pennsylvania-section-convention-electronics-expo-firecracker-hamfest>,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
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1114. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 28 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 02:22:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb08b68435a04c3931d58@google.com>
Source record: 2681
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world - Newnan Times-Herald

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 03:22 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE7CrI8kjAoZKbt13EYkZ7YFn0o6Q&url=http://www.times-herald.com/local/20120628HamRadio-MOS

Newnan Times-Herald
Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world
Newnan Times-Herald
About 60 amateur radio enthusiasts were out at the Coweta County Fairgrounds over the weekend practicing their skills and talking with other operators across the country. ... The Federal Communications Commission requires ham operators to be licensed.
When all else fails…Local Ham Radio operators give demonstration for Gordon ...Calhountimes
Amateur radio club tests emergency communicationStar Community Newspapers
Radio transmission lives onliherald.com
Patch.com -Shore News Today -Patriot-News (blog)
all 22 news articles

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Ham radio operators hold annual Field Day exercise - Clay Today Online

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 06:35 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHRuKex2S4ZttzV5Br8l_uBcx_JIQ&url=http://www.claytodayonline.com/ee/claytoday/index.php/component/fullstory/20120628_028_art_1/ham-radio-operators-hold-annual-field-day-exercise

Clay Today Online
Ham radio operators hold annual Field Day exercise
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Ham radio operators hold annual Field Day exercise, by By Lydia Filzen. ... Last Saturday and Sunday about 60 members of the Orange Park Amateur Radio Club met in a portable classroom at Lakeside Middle School to test their preparedness. They erected ...

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Ham radio operators stay in practice - BlueRidgeNow.com

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 04:28 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG8FImknQ0FEeZjXtmqM7iAyZc9VQ&url=http://www.blueridgenow.com/article/20120625/NEWS/120629908

CBS Local
Ham radio operators stay in practice
BlueRidgeNow.com
A handful of ham radio operators, with the Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Club, tapped on keyboards or messaged Morse code across the wires during Field Day, an annual event through the American Radio Relay League for operators to practice with ...
Amateur Radio Operators Participate in Nationwide Field DayPatch.com
Small Town Amateur Radio Society participates in Vilonia field dayLog Cabin Democrat
Huntsville area ham radio operators have a fun time during a mock disaster ...al.com (blog)
KY3 -KSPR -WALA-TV FOX10
all 290 news articles

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Boy Scouts create amateur radio station - Clay Today Online

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 06:36 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH2ddd1Ym1jCOabCRRNwMPyLPoJmg&url=http://www.claytodayonline.com/ee/claytoday/index.php/component/fullstory/20120628_013_art_0/boy-scouts-create-amateur-radio-station

Boy Scouts create amateur radio station
Clay Today Online
Boy Scouts create amateur radio station, by Special to Clay Today.

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Ham radio preps for disaster - Times Record News

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 10:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE65Xq1qGyNDjlLFuPMnoHKZ1q2cA&url=http://www.timesrecordnews.com/news/2012/jun/24/ham-radio-preps-for-disaster/

Ham radio preps for disaster
Times Record News
PHOTOS BY Patrick Johnston/Times Record News Members of the Wichita Amateur Radio Society operate radios to contact other sites across the United States during the annual Field Day. Jenean Thomas listens for vocal messages from other sites across ...

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Amateur radio operators connect Anderson to the world at training - Anderson Independent Mail

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 05:59 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGAsFyAn2ROrpMnH53MlSJXW7jr-g&url=http://www.independentmail.com/news/2012/jun/23/amateur-radio-operators-connect-anderson-world-tra/

Amateur radio operators connect Anderson to the world at training
Anderson Independent Mail
... radios and were able to talk to other operators in different ways throughout the nation and the world. When disasters strike, ham radio and

amateur radio operators become a lifeline, a link to the outside world, especially when connecting victims ...

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Ham radio operators keep in touch - Cherry Hill Courier Post

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 12:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHRqG0s0BdDalnHIP-qD__Sd-5x8g&url=http://www.courierpostonline.com/article/20120624/NEWS01/306240048/Ham-radio-operators-keep-touch

Ham radio operators keep in touch
Cherry Hill Courier Post
“The fastest way to turn a crisis into a total disaster is to lose communications,” said Allen Pitts of the Amateur Radio Relay League. “From the earthquake and tsunami in Japan to tornadoes in Missouri, ham radio provided the most reliable ...

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Amateur Radio Operators Prep for Disaster - WAAY

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 09:25 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG0EJj5gdCAoYPAp8ZK7Va_4IOvGA&url=http://www.waaytv.com/news/local/story/Amateur-Radio-Operators-Prep-for-Disaster/tTKHtEG_7UKswHXxutV77Q.cspx

Amateur Radio Operators Prep for Disaster
WAAY
On Saturday, a group of Huntsville amateur radio enthusiasts, praised for their role after the April tornadoes, are once again preparing for the worst. Hundreds are part of Huntsvilles Amateur Radio Club. Theirs one of the rare hobbies that also saves ...

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Scranton-Pocono ham radio operators hold field day training exercise - Scranton Times-Tribune

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 09:00 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH3hM7Ijbd0PJ1uCRqcPuF9cVGoOw&url=http://thetimes-tribune.com/news/scranton-pocono-ham-radio-operators-hold-field-day-training-exercise-1.1334289

Scranton Times-Tribune
Scranton-Pocono ham radio operators hold field day training exercise
Scranton Times-Tribune
FACTORYVILLE - The Scranton-Pocono Amateur Radio Klub on Saturday did its best to prepare for the worst during an annual national "Field Day" training event of ham radio operators throughout the country. "It tests the ability of hams to operate quickly ...

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Ham radio operators test skills and each other in field day - Akron Beacon Journal

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 08:13 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHfeZ8o97KMjVY4rLB6LcdlKpHusQ&url=http://www.ohio.com/news/local-news/ham-radio-operators-test-skills-and-each-other-in-field-day-1.316107

Akron Beacon Journal
Ham radio operators test skills and each other in field day
Akron Beacon Journal
Ham radio operators test skills and each other in field day. By Rich Heldenfels Beacon Journal staff writer. Published: June 23, 2012 - 11:05 PM. radios24cut_02. Amateur radio operators Frank Tompkins (left) of Cuyahoga Falls and Steve Ulichney of ...

1115. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 254

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 06:05:53 UTC
From: zl1amw@gmail.com
Message-ID: <F01F9DE450DF4EE9BDA12E44F6FB6808@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 2682
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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29 June 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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Richard L. Baldwin W1RU, NZART Life Member, Silent Key It is with regret to report that Dick Baldwin W1RU, past IARU President and NZART Life Member, died on 21 June. He was 92. As ARRL Assistant General Manager Dick was the ARRL staff member who was primarily responsible for initiating preparations for the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference and was one of the key players in formulating the objective to obtain new amateur HF bands at 10, 18 and 24 MHz. As ARRL General Manager from 1975 to 1982 he played an essential role in turning that objective into reality. Following his retirement from the ARRL staff Dick was elected President of the IARU. He had served as IARU Secretary from 1976 to 1982. He served as IARU President for 17 years, which included managing the transition to a new IARU Constitution that made the IARU a more representative body. Upon his retirement from that volunteer position in 1999 he was named President Emeritus by the IARU Administrative Council. Dick initiated and led Amateur Radio Administration Courses to appraise the administrators of amateur radio in many countries of the benefits and advantages for developing a

viable, healthy and active, amateur radio service in their countries. Dick’s thorough preparatory work and leadership set the basis for the very successful review of the Amateur Service at the World Radio Conference 2003. A great friend and supporter of amateurs and amateur radio societies the world over, Dick was made a Life Member of NZART in 1992 to recognise his service and achievements for the world Amateur Radio fraternity. ****From the Desk at HQDebby says…not too much news from me this issue. There is quite a bit in here, so I suggest you tick the dates of the contests that you are interested in and mark them on your calendar. Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL****Infoline distribution

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http://www.nzart.org.nz/h-quarter/infoline/

Alan ZL1AMW Webmaster

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FMTAG Notes

Call Book 2012/2013 Beacon, Link and Repeater Listings.

At the beginning of June, FMTAG sent an email to all Branches (and NZART-affiliated groups), requesting that they check their Beacon, Link, Repeater (and their Trustees) listings for the 2012/2013 Call Book.

Please contact FMTAG if the Branch has not received the email: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

As at the time of writing (Thursday the 28th of June) FMTAG has not received information from the following Branches:

03 Western Suburbs 12 Hamilton
13 Hawkes Bay

20 Manawatu 22 Marlborough
23 Marton

27 New Plymouth 30 Otago
33 Rotorua

34 South Canterbury 37 Southland
38 Taumarunui

48 Wanganui 49 Westland
51 Eastern BOP

55 Waitomo 56 Christchurch West
60 Taupo

66 Auckland VHF 78 Far North
84 Bay of Islands

85 Mercury Bay 86 Musick Point
87 South Taranaki

88 Tauranga Emergency

The close-off for returns is the 31st of July. Please help ensure that this Call Book is the most accurate ever.

Proposals

Branch 18 Hutt Valley has applied for a power increase of its 700 repeater at Fitzherbert, located at TOPO50 BQ32 643.78 350.86. An engineering investigation, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the repeater transmit frequency can remain on 147.000 MHz and its receive frequency on 146.400 MHz.

Final Recommendations for NZART Council

NZART Council has approved the following applications:

Branch 24 Motueka has applied for a 7 dB power increase of its 670 repeater at Mount Campbell, located at TOPO50 BP24 876.19 474.92. The repeater transmit frequency is 146.700 MHz and its receive frequency is

146.100 MHz.

Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for an APRS Digipeater at Kaiwharawhara Hill, located at TOPO50 BQ31 494.93 316.03. The transmit and receive frequency will be 144.575 MHz in accordance with the band plan. An engineering investigation, in accordance with MED PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.

Comments and Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

The current status of Applications can be viewed on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/nzart/fmtag/fmtag-apps-being-processed/

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Old Timers' Club-OTC (ZL)

a.. To recognise service to Amateur Radio;
b.. To revive and maintain interests and good fellowship among the older members in the common cause;
c.. To offer advice and encouragement to newer Amateurs;
d.. The Club is affiliated to the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (Inc.)

OTC update: As per the last HQIF bulletin we now have sufficient copy, plus one photograph, for the next OTC scribe in Break-In. A printed page of Break-In usually contains about 1300 words (with no picture) and we are normally limited to around one page, two at maximum.

My ideal would be to fill at least one page for each edition in the OTC column ahead. Input is asked for and below is some guidelines.

The OTC column in Break-In is a forum for members to publish a letter, or an article. OTC readers, along with association members, will all enjoy reading and hearing about other radio amateurs experiences, both past and current.

Contributions can be technical, an account of first involvement with early amateur radio, nostalgia, along with vintage radio which all provides an invaluable source of information on the history of their hobby.

The “Old Timers Club” was essentially a social
organisation, and that is still current today.

Articles relating to all aspects of OTC, for Break-In are most welcome, and to be addressed to: Stephen ZL1TPH; Postal address, 68 Kath Hopper Drive, Orewa, 0931 or via email to zl1tph@nzart.org.nz

We also accept large picture files sent via email and will transcribe hand written letters into text.

73, Stephen ZL1TPH

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NZART Officer Vacancy

NZART Council is calling for expressions of interest from NZART members for the following Officer Vacancy - Position: NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator

The VHF/UHF Records Coordinator is responsible to NZART Council for the coordination, maintenance and promotion of the New Zealand VHF/UHF/SHF records.

Description of the position

a.. NZART is a body that promotes Amateur Radio within New Zealand.
b.. The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator is appointed by NZART Council to coordinate and to promote, the keeping of accurate records pertaining to performance of VHF/UHF/SHF activities and operating by NZ amateurs.
c.. The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator reports to NZART Council through an appointed Liaison Councillor.
d.. Although referred to by VHF/UHF/SHF, the task may extend to other bands.

Duties of the position

To maintain, review and update when necessary, the established:

a.. VHF/UHF/SHF Records Lists,
b.. the VHF/UHF/SHF Record Claim Rules, and
c.. the Record Claim Form.
To receive completed Record Claim Forms submitted by radio amateurs, appropriately process to verify by making whatever enquiries may be necessary, and make the concluding decision to accept or to reject the claim.

a.. To amend the Records lists as appropriate.
b.. To promote active operating for records achievement among New Zealand amateurs.
c.. To arrange for presentation trophies and certificates relating to Records.
d.. To appoint assistants as necessary.
e.. To provide advice and guidance on Records issues.

f.. To liaise with overseas radio amateurs and other amateur societies on Records matters.
g.. To write occasional entries for Break-In about Records.
h.. At time of dispute, to refer incidents involving Records Claims and the Rules to NZART Council.

Work Experience

The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator will be expected to demonstrate competent performance in:

a.. Maintaining accurate and detailed records.
b.. Good written language skills for communication with members, overseas societies, and articles for publication.
c.. The accurate measurement of distances and global positions, recognise and understand the errors possible in GPS reports, in the selection of map series and in grid references.
d.. A good working knowledge of all the measurement and technical terms listed on the Claim Form.

Personal Skills

The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator will require:

a.. Good person skills.
b.. An understanding of the requirements and issues involved in Amateur Radio hill-top activity including possible interference to other radio services.
c.. A good knowledge of Amateur Radio and the aims of IARU and NZART.
d.. Competency in spread sheet and word processor applications and with any specialised software appropriate to the position.
Applicants for this role can be located anywhere in New Zealand. The ideal person for this role would have experience in the area of VHF/UHF/SHF operating and/or contesting.

Officer Positions are voluntary; however operating expenses will be refunded as per the NZART Policy on Officers Expenses.

Applications for this position will be accepted from interested persons in writing with supporting documentation through the General Secretary, NZART, PO Box 40525, Upper Hutt 5140.

This advertisement is authorised by NZART Council.

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2012 NZART Memorial Contest (2012 will be the 66th year of this Contest)

To commemorate those from our ranks who lost their lives in World War 2.

When: Saturday July 7th & Sunday 8th July

A total of six operating periods, three each evening of one hour each from 0800 - 1100 UTC

(8.00 pm to 11.00 pm Saturday NZT and 8.00 pm to 11.00 pm Sunday NZT).

For Memorial Contest Rules See "Rules Memorial" in the right hand Page Links menu

and including Manual Log Sheets etc.

http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/

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Results for the Trans-Tasman 80m phone contest held in May.
Congratulations to Ron, ZL4RMF, operating as ZL4R, for achieving First ZL. Bill, ZL2AYZ, operating QRP as ZL3VZ, achieved second ZL, and Alastair and Quentin operating as ZL3YOK, achieved third ZL.

Congratulations also to Ash Clark, VK3SSB, from Horsham Victoria, who took out the overall First place.
The full results have now been published on the WIA website. Follow the link from the NZART web site "Rules" page. The next Trans-Tasman contest will be held on Saturday, the 21st of July, from 8pm.

This is the new Multi-Mode contest which includes separate categories for 160m phone, as well as CW and Digital modes on both 80m, and 160m. There's also an overall "multi-mode" category for any combination of these modes or bands. The "multi-mode" category is well suited to multiple operators, clubs, and anyone wanting more activity than any one mode can offer.

Rules can be found on the WIA web site, or follow the link on the "Rules" page of the NZART web site.

The 80m phone contest has been a great success under the new rules, and the upcoming new Multi-mode contest should be a lot of fun too!

This is the first year that this contest has been fully managed in ZL, and the contest manager, Rob, ZL3AKM, wishes to thank everyone who participated.

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>From The VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF Contest Committee

Results of The Hibernation Contest 9th & 10th June 2012

Congratulations to Dick, ZL2TGQ, and Gavin, ZL2TVM, for both winning the Hibernation Contest, in a dead heat.

THE Next Contests

The next contest is the Brass Monkey Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th of August 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Microwave Contest, 921 MHz and up, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of October 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The Contest Rules are available at:
www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:
zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as
soon as they are available.

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Annual IARU HF World Championship Contest is to take place on July
14th-15th.
Please full details of the contest at the URL,
http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship

I wish many HQ stations as well as R3 Directors to participate in the
contest.

Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP
Secretary, IARU Region 3
secretary@iaru-r3.org

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Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the July/August 2012
issue of Break-In-closes on 10 July 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but
word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send
as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the
body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive
captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 July 2012
for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if
available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted
DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to
e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
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Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 29th July 2012. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 13th July 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 12 July 2012

You have received this message because you are subscribed on an NZART infoline list.

If you wish to be removed from this list, please visit: http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

1116. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 29 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 06:28:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043fc2733704c3968f98@google.com>
Source record: 2683
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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DXCC East

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 07:40 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351889-DXCC-East&goto=newpost

Just curious as to who is planning to go to the NCDXA's DXCC East event in August.

I'm on the fence about it;

On the one hand, I'm only about 4 hours drive away.

On the other hand, I'm not entirely sure what I'll get out of it... outside of a chance to shmooze a little, but that's never been a strong point of mine.

On the OTHER hand... how the heck did I suddenly get three hands?... it's also 90 minutes away from the kids. Which means, if I go, the wife comes along, and while I spend the day at the event, she'll be down at the kids spending quality time with our grandson.

Decisions, decisions...

1117. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1820 - June 29 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120629090004.32ED933C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2684
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1820 - June 29 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1820 with a release date of June 29, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio continues its aid in response to wildfires in Colorado; hams in Sri Lanka say they want to be included in ham radio emergency communications; big changes coming to 70 centimeters down under; a day change for Ham Nation and a new method of data transfer could reach 2 point 5 terabytes per second. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1820 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO FIRE UPDATE

We begin this week with an update on ham radio assisting those fighting the wildfires burning in Colorado and New Mexico. Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has what's known so far:

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According to a report in the Denver Post, ham radio operators have become an integral part of the fire fighting effort. A story talks about the contributions of Amateur Radio Emergency Service operators. It describes in detail the work of Randy Long, K7AVV, who the paper says is a ham radio operator asked by firefighters to find more volunteers to aid communication in the High Park fire zone.

Since then Long has been managing a team of ham radio operators staffing eight hour shifts around the clock. They are described as setting up portable repeaters and relaying messages between the fire lines and command posts. About 40 operators have so far volunteered. Long is an Amateur Radio Emergency Service coordinator for Larimer and Weld counties who was forced to evacuate from his home southeast of Buckhorn Mountain.

Also involved in the Colorado fire communications effort is Colorado Section Emergency Coordinator Robert Wareham, N0ESQ, Long, Wareham and the other ARES volunteers were reported to be at the National Guard Armory in Fort Collins. They became an integral part of the communications effort as the High Park fire encircled Buckhorn and Horsetooth mountains. That's where critical hubs of Larimer County

public safety communications towers stand.

The Post story notes that as a part of their hobby amateur radio operators have set up about 50 mountaintop repeaters around northern Colorado. If the public service communication systems were damaged or forced off line, the hams could provide alternate communications through one of their repeaters or set up a portable repeater to fill in any gap.

Agencies being served by ARES volunteers include the Larimer County Sheriff, American Red Cross, US Forest Service, Colorado State Patrol, and the High Park Fire Incident Management team of the Poudre Park Fire Department.

Yet another massive wildfire broke out near the city of Colorado Springs on Saturday, June 23rd. Called the Waldo Canyon Fire this blaze suddenly grew to a level of fierce on Tuesday, June 26th. So far it has forced 32,000 people from their homes and has prompted evacuations from the near-by United States Air Force Academy. The fire is reported to literally be swallowing numerous houses at the edge of Colorado Springs. As we go to air there is no word of any direct involvement by ARES or RACES teams but its likely that some amateur radio communications lines are already on-scene.

Meanwhile in New Mexico, ham radio operations have stood down following the Little Bear Fire in and around the city of Riudoso. Michael Scales, K5SCA, is the New Mexico Section Emergency Coordinator. In a note released on June 17th and relayed to Newsline by Jay Miller, W5WHN, all personnel have been released at this point. However they should be aware that the new threat is flash flooding. With that in mind they should remain somewhat vigilant and have their "go kits" ready for deployment.

The Little Bear Fire destroyed 224 homes and had burned 59 square miles before it was 60 percent contained. As reported here two weeks ago, several New Mexico ARES units responded to that blaze.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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More on this situation as information is made available to us. (W5WHN, Denver Post, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: SRI LANKA HAMS OFFER TO ASSIST IN EMCOMM WORK

Sri Lanka's amateur radio operators have renewed their call to be included in communication work during national disasters. This after the nation's defense authorities have relaxed rules on clearing ham radio equipment into that nation.

The report in Lanka Business quotes Radio Society of Sri Lanka official, Victor Goonetilleke, 4S7VK, as saying that Sri Lankan hams would like to join-up with the National Disaster Management Centre in some way. This, to help them with emergency communication work.

4S7VK spoke during a recent public lecture on Disaster Risk Reduction, organized by LIRNEasia, which is a regional think-tank. At the gathering it was noted that with some 200 members the Radio Society of Sri Lanka is not new to disaster communications in the island. It was noted that the society played a crucial role during the 2004 Asian tsunami that claimed over 30,000 lives and displacing about one million people. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/srilanka-emcomm and in this case srilanka is spelled as one word. (Radio Society of Sri Lanka)

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RESTRUCTURING: PROPOSED REFARMING OF 70CM IN AUSTRALIA

Big changes are coming to the amateur 70 centimeter band down under. We have more in this report:

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The Australian Communications and Media Authority's Spectrum Conference this year saw the ongoing work associated on the review of 400 MHz spectrum. This is a band of frequencies that also includes the 70 centimeter ham radio allocation.

Currently, the Australian amateur service has a secondary status between 420 and 450 MHz. In the last report from the Australian Communications and Media Authority on its review issued April 2010, it advised that the allocation for the amateur service between 430 and 450 MHz would not be affected from any rearrangement. However, they cited, a possible need for some temporary use by other services in the segment 440 to 450 MHz during the transition period.

In the Amateur secondary segment 420 to 430 MHz, in some geographic areas around Australia, amateur use of that spectrum has already been withdrawn. At the conference, the Australian Communications and Media Authority indicated that they will be seeking to consult with the Wireless Institute of Australia on withdrawal of the amateur service in this segment across the rest of that nation.

Currently, the major use of this band segment by amateurs is fixed links and the like. The Australian Communications and Media Authority database lists around 126 assignments to some 35 licensees. It is expected these can be relocated to the 430 to 450 MHz portion of the band.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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You can follow this story on-line on the Wireless Institute of Australia news-pages at www.wia.org.au (WIA News)

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RESTRUCTURING: NEW LOW FREQUENCY ALLOCATION IN MALTA

Hams in Malta now have access to a new low frequency band. The as the Malta Communications Authority grants amateurs access to 472 to 479 kHz. The country's National Frequency Plan identifies this as a secondary allocation, with a maximum power of 1 watt Effective Radiated Power. (GB2RS)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N5YYU repeater serving Clinton, Arkansas.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES A $15000 NAL TO ANOTHER FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER

The FCC has issued a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability also known as a proposed fine to Pierre Nixon Jean. This, for operating an unauthorized station on 92.5 MHz in West Palm Beach, Florida. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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This past February, FCC agents from the Miami office traced the source of unauthorized signal on 92.5 MHz to an antenna mounted on the roof of an apartment building in West Palm Beach. Agents heard the station identify itself on the air as "Exitfm.com."

Doing a bit of on-line sleuthing, the agents found an Internet site for the station that showed a photo of Pierre Nixon Jean as a D-J and identified him as the station owner. The agents also learned from the building owner that Jean rented an apartment in the building from sometime in 2010 through March of this year. He also identified Jean from a photograph as being the renter.

The building owner told the agents he had seen what he believed what might have been transmitting equipment inside the unit and told Jean to remove the gear after speaking to the FCC. The Enforcement Bureau confirmed the antenna was removed in May.

Now, in its penalty decision, the FCC says that Jean had no license for the station and was operating the facility illegally. The FCC also noted that Jean had been found to have been transmitting unlawfully on the same frequency from another location in 2010. It said that such

continued illegal operation demonstrates a deliberate disregard for the commission's rules. Because of this the agency increased the level of the fine from the $10,000 base figure to $15,000.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale Arizona.

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As is usual in these cases, Pierre Nixon Jean has 30 days to pay the fine or file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $22000 FINE AGAINST TENNESSEE UNLICENSED BROADCASTER

The FCC has affirmed a $22,000 monetary forfeiture previously issued to Arthur Lee Young Cosby, Tennessee. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio station on 87.9 MHz and refusal to allow an inspection of his radio station.

This past March 27th the FCC Enforcement Bureau's Atlanta Office (issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Young for the alleged violations. According to the regulatory agency, Young has not filed a response to the NAL. So, based on the information before it, the FCC affirmed the fine on June 8th. Young was given the customary 30 days from issuance of the fine to pay it or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM NATION CHANGING NIGHTS TO WEDNESDAY ON TWIT.TV

Beginning on July 11th, the TWIT.tv program Ham Nation will be moving to Wednesday evenings. This as network owner Leo Laporte, W6TWT, announces a new programming schedule. Bob Heil, K9EID, who hosts Ham Nation says that the move is really good news for his program due to the strong lead in shows that Leo Laporte has chosen to precede it:

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K9EID: "They're going to change the day of Ham Nation and we are going to move it to Wednesday. The reason is that he is going to put up a like-up of some of his top shows on Wednesday.

"It starts off with the Security Now with Steve Gibson which is an incredible show, by the way. (It covers) all kinds of security (including) your home, your computer. Whatever needs security, Steve is the master.

"And then, they are going to have the TWIG show - This Week in Google, Android and all that.

"Then, the big show Triangulation. That show will precede Ham Nation.

"So you're going to have four of their top shows on Wednesday."

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The day change does not affect the shows hour of air-time schedule. The netcast will still take place live at 9 P.M. Eastern, 6 P.M. Pacific with video and audio podcasts available for download at twit.tv/hn about 24 hours later.

Again the new day for the TWIT.TV amateur radio program Ham Nation will be on Wednesday starting on July 11th. K9EID and the gang hope you will join them there. (Ham Nation)

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HAM BUSINESS: ETHERKIT RELEASES QRSS BEACON KIT

Etherkit which is a new amateur radio kit company devoted to open source hardware, has released its first product. Called OpenBeacon, it is described as an open source crystal-controlled QRP beacon transmitter kit which can output a variety of slow-speed modes. These include QRSS, DFCW, and Sequential Multi-tone Hellschreiber. More information is on-line at www.etherkit.com (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: CK6S FOR CALGARY STAMPEDED JULY 5 TO 15

The Calgary Amateur Radio Association will be operating special event station CK6S from July 5 to 15th. This to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary Stampede.

The Calgary Stampede is an annual rodeo, exhibition and festival held every July in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The event's roots are traced to 1886 when the Calgary and District Agricultural Society held its first fair.

In 1912, American promoter Guy Weadick organized his first rodeo and festival, known as the Stampede. He returned to Calgary in 1919 to organize the Victory Stampede in honor of soldiers returning from World War I. Weadick's festival became an annual event in 1923 when it merged with the Calgary Industrial Exhibition to create the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede.

The ham radio special event station CK6S plans to use frequencies in the general portion of the United States phone bands. These will be around 3.825, 7.180, 14.250, 21.320 and 28.475 MHz. A special QSL card will be available through the QSL bureau or direct by following the CK6S/VE6AO QSL instructions on QRZ.com. (VE6TC, Wikipedia)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: W1A CELEBRATES TELSTAR AT 50

A celebration of the world's first telecommunications satellite will take place on July 7th. This when the Radio Adventurers of Maine

activate the callsign W1A to commemorate the first messages through the Telstar bird. They will be operating on site at the Andover, Maine satellite facility, the original earth station which broadcast the first messages via Telstar was uplinked on July 10th, 1962. The clubs commemorative operation will begin at 1300 UTC on both 40 and 20 meter phone. Other bands will be added as propagation allows. QSL as directed on the air. (Radio Adventurers of Maine)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: JAMIE GAVIN, KF7WIS NAMED QRZ.COM GENERAL MANAGER

Some names in the news. First up is Jaime Gavin, KF7WIS, who has been named as the first General Manager of the QRZ.com ham radio website. According to site owner Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, Gavin will be overseeing all aspects of QRZ's daily business and interaction with the public.

Jaime Gavin holds a Master's degree from Arizona State University and Lloyd describes her as being extremely enthusiastic and capable. She will be handling the business aspects of QRZ LLC, and will oversee its day-to-day activities including advertising sales, database administration, and user and customer support.

According to AA7BQ, with the addition of KF7WIS, his role at QRZ now transitions to the one that he loves the most. That being the sites systems designer, programmer, and ambassador for QRZ.com. (QRZ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FORMER FCC COMMISSIONER RICHARD WILEY HONORED

The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law has honored communications law expert Richard Wiley for a lifetime of achievement, including a career at the Federal Communications Commission that spanned three presidential terms.

Wiley is the only person to act as general counsel, commissioner and chairman of the FCC. He started under President Richard Nixon, served under President Gerald Ford and then resigned after helping transition into the administration of President Jimmy Carter for a year. His pivotal role in the development of HDTV earned him the nickname, the "Godfather of Digital Television," and earned him an Emmy from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

Richard Wiley, who is now age 77, is only the third person to receive the Milestone Award from the university's Institute for Communications Law Studies. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KJ4UFG SAYS HE NEEDS FIELD DAY COVER PHOTO FOR SERA JOURNAL

John Ghormley, KJ4UFG, who is the editor of the South East Repeater Association publication known as the SERA Repeater Journal is looking for a cover photo that depicts an ARRL Field Day activity.

Specifically, KJ4UFG requires a high resolution photograph taken at a Field Day site in Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. These are the states serviced by the organization.

A suitable cover photo should be in vertical portrait orientation. The file size should be such that it can be turned into a super sharp image of at least 300 dots per inch or greater when rendered at 8.5"x11" page size. If there are people prominently depicted in the photo, he will need full names, and call signs for the hams in the photo.

If you have a photo you want to submit, email it as an attachment, to editor (at) sera (dot) org. (KJ4UFG)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: FORMER ARRL GENERAL MANAGER AND IARU PRESIDENT RICHARD, BALDWIN, W1RU - SK

It's yet another changing of the guard in amateur radio. This as we learn the sad news of the passing of former ARRL General Manager Richard Baldwin, W1RU, of Damariscotta, Maine,

An ARRL Charter Life Member, Richard Baldwin capped a long career on the ARRL staff with service as General Manager from 1975 until his retirement in 1982. He served as Secretary of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) from 1976 to 1982. After retirement, he continued his involvement as a volunteer, serving as IARU President from 1982 to 1999 and as ARRL International Affairs Vice President from 1982 to 1986.

According to his daughter Judy, Baldwin's life revolved around telecommunications. He first became licensed in 1934 as W1IKE. An Amateur Extra class licensee, he earned DXCC, WAS and WAC, as well as membership in the ARRL's A-1 Operator Club.

Baldwin began his career at ARRL Headquarters in 1948 as an Assistant Secretary. After a brief hiatus to work in the private sector in the early 1950s, he returned in 1956 as Managing Editor of QST. In that position he was responsible for production of the monthly member

journal and all ARRL publications.

In 1963, Baldwin became Assistant General Manager and almost immediately got involved with international matters. He organized the Intruder Watch program and served as the ARRL Liaison between the amateurs who monitored the bands and the FCC. In 1975 he was named by the ARRL Board to succeed John Huntoon, W1RW, as General Manager on Huntoon's retirement, That's the position now titled Chief Executive Officer. In total, Baldwin wrote 234 articles and columns for QST.

A graduate of Bates College in Maine, Baldwin earned an MS in Physics from Boston University in 1948. He spent five years in the US Navy during World War II. In March 1943, while serving as Communications Officer aboard the USS Coghlan, he participated in the longest American naval daylight firefight of the war. That being the Battle of the Komandorski Islands. After the war he served in the US Naval Reserve, achieving the rank of Commander.

Richard Baldwin, W1RU, was age 92 when passed away on Thursday, June 21, after a long struggle with Parkinson's Disease. He is survived by his wife Phyllis, daughter Judy and son Glenn. A memorial service was planned for Friday, June 29 at Second Congregational Church in Newcastle, Maine. (ARRL)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: NEW DATA TRANSFER METHOD PROMISES UP TO 2.5 TB PER SECOND

American and Israeli scientists have developed a new technology of wirelessly transmitting data using twisted beams of light that could produce a theoretical throughput of 2.5 terabits per second. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the story of the science making this possible:

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The new method of high speed data transfer reportedly uses orbital angular momentum or O-A-M to increase the amount of information that can be carried by a single stream. To accomplish this feat, the researchers twisted together eight 300 Gigabytes per second visible light data streams using O-A-M technology over a space of one meter to achieve speeds of 2.5 terabits per second. The development comes just one month after it was finally proved that orbital angular momentum is actually possible.

Using this new orbital angular momentum technology an infinite number of conventional transmission protocols such as WiFi and LTE, can be twisted together for faster speeds without the need for more spectrum. For perspective, that's more than 8,000 times faster than the fastest home Internet connection at 300 Megabytes per second.

The development team says that it will be working increasing the transmission distance which currently at only 1 meter. The theoretical

distance limit for this new method is likely to be less than one kilometer. At least in the foreseeable future.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heater Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Berwick, Pennsylvania

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You can read more on-line at tinyurl.com/super-speed-data. (slashgear.com, N6ZXJ)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SCOTLAND MOBILE ON THE BIRDS

2E1EUB is currently mobile on the various amateur radio satellites from Scotland. He began his operation on June 24th and can be heard stroke P through July 6th or 7th. Grid squares he will be activating include IO-76 IO-77 IO-87 and others if he has the time. QSL to 2M1EUB via his address on QRZ.com. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: CANADIAN HAMS NEEDED FOR COMMUNICATIONS FOR CYCLING EVENT

This note to our friends up north. Radio Amateurs of Canada says that volunteers are needed to provide communications in support of that nations Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation cycling event. The ride takes place August 3d to the 5th along Nova Scotia's Cabot Trail. The route involves at least 100 riders and more than 50 volunteers.

If you are able to help, please drop a note to Doug Mercer, V-Oh-1-T-D-M at dougvo1dtm (at) gmail (dot) com. You can also get in touch with Radio Amateurs of Canada's Atlantic Director Ev Price at vo1dk (at) rac (dot) ca or Deputy Director Len Morgan ve9my (at) rac (dot) ca. Any assistance will be sincerely appreciated. (RAC)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE TOUR DE FRANCE CYCLING RACE 2012

Meantime, keep an ear open for special event station GB4TDF. G1JYB, G1LAT and the Sands Contest Group are hosting the operation from Oysterber Farm in the UK to coincide with for the 2012 Tour our de France bicycle race.

The special event station began operation on June 26th and will terminate on July 23rd. Operations will be on HF, VHF and UHF as time and band conditions permit. A special commemorative QSL card will be available. More is on QRZ.com under GB4TDF.

The actual Tour de France cycling event starts on the June 30th June and ends on July 22nd. (E-Mail)

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DX

In DX, Bill Moore, NC1L, the ARRL Awards Branch Manager, tells Newsline that the 2011 TL8ES Central African Republic and the 2012 TT8ES expedition to Chad have both been approved for DXCC credit. Also approved has been the 2012 XW4XR operation from Laos. Card submissions for all of these operations are now welcome.

DL4ME will be active as 5H3ME from Tanzania between August 14th and September 3rd. His operation will be holiday style on the H-F bands from 80 through 6 meters using CW and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign.

AJ9C will be active as YN2CC from Granada, Nicaragua, between November 20th and the 28th. Operations will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL electronically via Logbook of the World or direct to his home callsign.

LA0HF will be on the air as TY2BP from Benin for a minimum of 30 days and could be there for as long as 45. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters. QSL via IK2IQD.

Lastly, VE2XB will be operational stroke FP from St. Pierre and Miquelon Islands from August 10th to the 20th. His activity will have a special focus on 6 meters, but he will also be active on all bands from 80 through 10 meters as well. QSL via VE2XB.

(Above from various DX news sources)
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THAT FINAL ITEM: DEEP SPACE SUPER COMPUTER TO BE BUILT DOWN UNDER

And finally this week, a new super high speed data processing facility to look at signals received from deep space is slated to be built down-under. WIA newsman Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the details:

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One of the world's most powerful supercomputers is planned for Perth to process vast amounts of data being collected by radio telescopes in Western Australia's Murchison region.

WA Today said the supercomputer is to be housed in the Pawsey Centre being built in the southern Perth suburb of Kensington, near Curtin University.

The machines will initially process data from existing radio telescopes based at the Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory but is free to expand for use in the international Square Kilometre Array project.

It was decided in May that Australia would share the $2 billion Square Kilometre Array project with South Africa.

3000 dishes and a discovery potential 10,000 times greater than the best contemporary instruments, the SKA will observe such things as what happened after the big bang and how galaxies evolved, and will attempt

to uncover more about the "dark matter" that fills the majority of the universe.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News in Australia.

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More on this project is on-line at tinyurl.com/vk-super-computer. (VK1WIA)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1118. SUPER HOT VIDEOS AND ALL ACTRESSES KISSING PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 09:37:32 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <38fb43d9-8306-4614-b975-d2edefb7b76f@2g2000pbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2685

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
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SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
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HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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1119. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 29 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 11:06:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec517ca9ada0da604c39a6ccb@google.com>
Source record: 2686
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Original 13 Colonies Independance Day Special Event

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Special event stations in the original 13 American colonies will be active
on the Amateur Radio Satellites and HF to commemorate Independance Day from
Saturday, June 30 until Thursday, July 5

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India activates ARES for fire

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O76l_bIxNx8/india_activates_ares_for_fire.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of ARES were activated by the Thane Disaster Management Authority
for communications at a fire at Mantralaya, India, in which two people died

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New CAMSAT Satellite CAS-2

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0fwgNTYQ9n0/new_camsat_satellite_cas2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CAMSAT and students at the Qian Youth Space Academy are working on their
next amateur radio satellite CAS-2

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Boy Scouts create amateur radio station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mx2aFITDNO8/boy_scouts_create_amateur_r

adio_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The North Florida Council of the Boy Scouts is creating an amateur radio station KB4SA

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Amateur Radio Field Day Song

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/J5newwQJ2WI/amateur_radio_field_day_song.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A song about Amateur Radio Field Day, words by Russell Richter WP2AHG, vocals Janet Clark

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1A, Sovereign Military Order of Malta

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The latest and last press release by the 1A0C team before commencing operations

1120. HD WALLPAPERS 2012 WATCH THIS.....?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 15:58:56 UTC
From: ayesha khan <ayesha.khan6315@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <18c0b610-80d9-4ed0-91a8-af19a46aa601@si8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2687

ALL ABOUT HD WALLPAPERS

http://hd-wallpapers-6315.blogspot.com/2012/06/air-force-wallpapers.html
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http://hd-wallpapers-6315.blogspot.com/2012/06/rose-wallpapers.html
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http://hd-wallpapers-6315.blogspot.com/2012/06/latest-girls-watch-wallpapers.html
http://hd-wallpapers-6315.blogspot.com/2012/06/latest-girls-watch-wallpapers.html

1121. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 29 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 16:08:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307f30bac9039304c39ea7f3@google.com>
Source record: 2688
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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India activates ARES for fire

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 01:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351923-India-activates-ARES-for-fire&goto=newpost

India activates ARES for fire

Members of ARES were activated by the Thane Disaster Management Authority for communications at a fire at Mantralaya, India, in which two people died.

The blaze broke out on the fourth floor of the Mantralaya building which houses the state secretariat in south Mumbai on 22 June, also injuring 16 people.

The drama began with a call to Milind Korde VU2IZO requesting team members to assemble at Thane Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Emergency communications were established between EOC and the fire by Milind Korde VU2IZO and Parin Gangar VU2PIC.

The following team members confirmed they were available at their home qth on standby with radio support were Jaiprakash VU2JPN, Satheesh Menon VU2WSM, Prahlad Bodke VU2TBV.

Rohit Purohit VU2TOO and Nitin Ainapure VU2CAN attended the Thane EOC and activated the Emergency Station on Mumbai and Matheran Repeaters.

The station was shut down after 10 hours when the fire was nearly extinguished.

Jim Linton VK3PC,

Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee,

and

Jayant Bhide VU2JAU,

National Co-ordinator for Disaster Communications in India.

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1122. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 29 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 16:17:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411cf266d7804c39ec960@google.com>
Source record: 2689
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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13 Colonies This Weekend

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 07:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352013-13-Colonies-This-Weekend&goto=newpost

The 13 Colonies Special event starts this weekend...

http://www.13colonines.info

Join us and help celebrate Independence weekend...

Paul - K2L South Carolina

NN4F

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War Of 1812 Special Event Station This Weekend

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 12:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351921-War-Of-1812-Special-Event-Station-This-Weekend
&goto=newpost

W2N and CG3B July 1st, 2012

Special Event station for Sunday July 1, 2012

Amateur Radio Details:

2 HF stations at Lower River Road & Pletcher Road (Lewiston Senior Center
Parking Lot)

1 HF station at the Fort Niagara Lighthouse

2M (146.520) between 2 USA sites & Canadian (Fort George)

On-Air start time for USA stations: 8am

Start Time for Canadian station: 9am

200 Years of Friendship Celebration between the USA and Canada.

We will open the Fort Niagara Lighthouse and a station at the point where
the British landed in 1812 at Stella Niagara - Lower River Road & Pletcher
Road, Lewiston, NY. We will be operate in conjunction with the Niagara
Peninsula Amateur Radio Club operating out of Fort George. Their special

event call sign is CG3B. All stations will be running HF and UHF/VHF to communicate between each other. We will have a QSL card for the Lighthouse contacts and the British landing point contacts. In addition we will pointing all our contacts to the other stations giving them the opportunity to get a bonus card with all 3 call signs on.

What better way to promote 200 years of Peace and Friendship between our two countries via Amateur Radio. For our Canadian Friends please see: http://www.qrz.com/db/cg3b

Look at the sites:

www.kc2yyl.net

http://www.qrz.com/db/KC2YYL

http://www.qrz.com/db/W2N - Special events call for KC2YYL

http://www.qrz.com/db/cg3b - Special events call for our Canadian Friends

Also, go to You tube & search "KC2YYL" for past videos.

Please email me with your questions at AC2DD@ARRL.NET

1123. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-036E - 60 metre news

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 19:57:51 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FEE0855.2010607@rac.ca>
Source record: 2690
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-036E - 60 metre news
2012-06-22

Industry Canada has been prompt to post the 47 comments to the 60
metre consultation, SMSE 010-12 ..

Read and enjoy..

http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf10418.html

RAC's submission to IC can be found at:
http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/vwapj/smse-010-12-rac-comments.p
df/$FILE/smse-010-12-rac-comments.pdf

[Editors note: Sorry fo the delay, the original message to me ended up
in my spam folder and I didn't notice it untl today.]

Norm Rashleigh, VE3LC
RAC- RABC Representative Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1124. eHam.net News for Friday 29 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-29 22:41:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93412776421d504c3a427ef@google.com>
Source record: 2691
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Transmission Lives On:

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 03:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28555

High-frequency radios were common in the 20th century, a primary communication device during the world wars as well as the Vietnam and Gulf wars. But cell phones and wireless Internet connections replaced them, and amateur radio enthusiasts began to believe their hobby was outdated -- until September 11, 2001. "The New York City Fire Department had a very elaborate communications system -- it covered the New York City area and then some," said Timothy Cregan, district emergency coordinator of the Nassau County Amateur Radio Emergency Service. "The problem is, the antenna was on top of [the World Trade Center's] Tower One, so when that came down, they lost everything." In the midst of a catastrophe, licensed amateur radio operators came to the rescue, and in the process discovered that their hobby would always be useful in times of emergency.

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ARNewsline Report 1820 -- June 29 2012:

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 03:55 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28554

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio continues its aid in response to wildfires in Colorado; hams in Sri Lanka say they want to be included in ham radio emergency communications; big changes coming to 70 centimeters down under; a day change for Ham Nation and a new method of data transfer could reach 2 point 5 terabytes per second. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1820 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #26:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28553

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The Daily DX, DXNL, The Weekly DX, Contest Corral from QST and the
ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28552

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Offers Online Public Service Training:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28551

The former Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (AREC) series of
three levels of emergency communications courses has been reconfigured
into two new courses: An introductory course for radio amateurs who
want to volunteer to provide services for public service and emergency
communications, and a course for leaders and managers who are
responsible for training and coordinating response efforts.

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Notes from the ARRL VEC Desk:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28550

The ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) is one of 14 VECs in
the US that coordinate the efforts of Volunteer Examiners (VEs) who
administer Amateur Radio operator license examinations. More than
11,000 active ARRL VEs throughout the country give back to Amateur
Radio by administering approximately 40,000 Technician, General and
Amateur Extra exam elements each year.

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New Volunteer Examiner Apparel and Supply Items Now Available:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28549

New Volunteer Examiner Apparel and Supply Items Now Available:

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ARRL Attends Ham Radio 2012 in Germany:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28548

HAM RADIO 2012 in Friedrichshafen, Germany -- held June 22-24 -- is
billed as Europe's biggest Amateur Radio exhibition. Held annually in
the Lake Constance region, this is the 37th international Amateur Radio

exhibition and the 63nd Lake Constance Convention of Radio Amateurs, sponsored by the German Amateur Radio Club (DARC), which gave rise to the fair.

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ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee Seeks Comments on Proposed 23 cm Ban

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28547

winter, the ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee asked the Amateur Radio community about current, planned and projected uses of the Amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz.

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DXCC Desk Approves Seven Operations for Credit:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28546

In June, the DXCC approved seven operations for DXCC credit. On June 21, the 2012 TT8ES (Chad) operation, the XX9E (Macao) operation and the 2011 TL9EL (Central African Republic) were approved. On June 25, the 2012 XW4XR (Laos) operation was approved. On June 26, the 2010 J28RO (Djibouti) operation, the 2011 J25DXA (Djibouti) operation and the 2012 5X1RO (Uganda) operation have been approved.

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Hams In Space Is Presenting at UMKC:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28545

Hey everyone! I need some help getting the word out, particularly to everyone in the Kansas City Area. This is an Amateur Radio Event, but it is being tailored for non-hams as well:

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Press Release: HRD Software Releases Version 5.23:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28544

HRD developers have been working to dramatically improve the callsign lookup function and address some maintenance items. HRD 5.23 and the preliminary manual are on the web site ready for download.

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Ham Radio Operators Demo Emergency Communications:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 02:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28543

Anyone who has ever wanted to see what ham radio is all about has a chance June 23 and 24 when the Island County Amateur Radio Club pitches its tents

at South Whidbey Community Park to participate in a national emergency communications event. Ham radio buffs from throughout Whidbey Island will be among thousands nationwide operating shortwave radios at remote locations to practice their emergency communications capabilities during the annual field radio test. According to club President Alan Whitman, of Langley, an additional radio station will be set up to demonstrate to the public how shortwave radio communications work. They will also offer anyone interested the opportunity to talk across the nation on the radio. "We want to offer a hearty invitation to the public to come and see for themselves what this fascinating hobby offers to people and communities," Whitman said in a press release. "The communications networks that ham radio people can quickly create have saved many lives after natural disasters in the past several months when other systems failed or were overloaded," he added.

1125. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 29 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-30 02:27:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411cf72b50304c3a74f1d@google.com>
Source record: 2692
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators use Field Day event to test emergency readiness -
Weekly Citizen

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 02:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHZEDc-nEIcWWfOiV_eG9V_nOHhYQ&url=http://www.weeklycitizen.com/news/x1762346783/Ham-radio-operators-use-Field-Day-event-to-test-emergency-readiness

Ham radio operators use Field Day event to test emergency readiness
Weekly Citizen
Members of Ascension Amateur Radio Club joined thousands of other amateur radio operators nationwide demonstrating their emergency capabilities last weekend. On Saturday and Sunday, folks met with amateur – also known as “ham” – radio operators to ...
Having a field day: Amateur radio operators contact CroatiaThe Union of Grass Valley

all 2 news articles

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Amateur radio operators participate in field day - Janesville Gazette

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 02:03 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGSt-_ikb9ZlTVeAMpXajSgZ3L6vg&url=http://gazettextra.com/news/2012/jun/24/some-day-ham-could-save-you-amateur-radio-operator/

Amateur radio operators participate in field day
Janesville Gazette
Carl Cramer and about 15 members of his ham radio club, the Greater Beloit Amateur Radio Club, have been camped out this weekend at Threshermans Park in Edgerton for the national Amateur Radio Relay League field day.

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Ham radio operators hold 24-hour drill - Hilton Head Island Packet

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 08:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEtXzvYN4os_M8lMawQ0C8v99OAfg&url=http://www.islandpacket.com/2012/06/24/2113290/ham-radio-operators-hold-24-hour.html

Ham radio operators hold 24-hour drill
Hilton Head Island Packet
Using slingshots and a crossbow, ham radio operators strung wires through a tree in the parking lot of Beaufort Memorial Hospital on Saturday to fire

up a portable radio station and keep it going for 24 hours.

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Amateur Radio Operators Often Help In A Crisis - WDEF News 12

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 09:59 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHAE00PhrI8QVEAWVe18JFwF2HBLg&url=http://www.wdef.com/news/story/Amateur-Radio-Operators-Often-Help-In-A-Crisis/u7T88Qxkt0y5TNmitebHng.cspx

Amateur Radio Operators Often Help In A Crisis
WDEF News 12
... amateur radio operator, but its more than just a hobby, its sending a signal that can save lives. "Thats what keeps amateurs in the business. If it wasnt for the fact that we supply emergency communications in a time of need there probably ...

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Amateur radio broadcasters compete - WALA-TV FOX10

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 05:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGLcmK_oVn6sN43luOOZKA1pMOnVw&url=http://www.fox10tv.com/dpp/news/local_news/baldwin_county/amateur-radio-broadcasters-compete

Amateur radio broadcasters compete
WALA-TV FOX10
The South Baldwin Amateur Radio Club will be demonstrating emergency radio communications at the Orange Beach Waterfront Park on Canal Road June 23 and 24. ... The demonstration is a part in a nationwide event, the American Radio Relay Leagues 2012 ...

1126. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 30 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-30 11:06:51 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <00504502eb9051d1b104c3ae8f2e@google.com>
Source record: 2693
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio TV and CW beacons for ISS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r2M8Vnyd22g/amateur_radio_tv_and_cw_beacons_for_iss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARISS are hoping to establish an amateur radio 2.4 GHz TV beacon and a CW beacon on the International Space Station

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Radio operations on the Nord-EU Tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LPvedBPiUHk/radio_operations_on_the_nord_eu_tour.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paolo I2AE leaves this afternoon with XYL, driving their Camper for a long journey to Northern Europa: Nordkapp and back , for more than 11,000 Km in one month

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ITU interview with Hans Zimmermann HB9AQS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fBpZ-6nhMiQ/itu_interview_with_hans_zimmermann_hb9aqs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) have released this interview with Hans Zimmermann HB9AQS, IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications

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100th anniversary of the Netherlands Open Air Museum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BuFzvSuxnlU/netherlands_open_air_museum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Special callsign PC100NOM will be active from 2nd July till 29th July 2012 to promote the 100th anniversary of The Netherlands Open Air Museum in Arnhem

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60 metre news

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/whX62gyAEik/60_metre_news.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Industry Canada has been prompt to post the 47 comments to the 60 metre consultation, SMSE 010-12

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Hams in Broadcasting VoIP Group

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qjHy_Ibmw2Y/hams_in_broadcasting_voip_group.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hams in Broadcasting is a new on-line that connects those in the broadcasting industry with one another world-wide

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CG3B - War of 1812 Bicentennial

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JeVPcuSr36I/cg3b_war_of_1812_bicentennial.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dave, VE3FOI, will use the special event callsign CG3B during the entire month of July 2012 to celebrate the Bicentennial (200 years) of Peace between the United States of America and Canada after the war of 1812, during various Bicentennial functions in the Niagara on the Lake area, Ontario

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r25YZOAGbaw/026_june_30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sunspot activity continued to drop until early this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were 26.3, down over 58 points from last week's numbers

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TF3ML on 70MHz via Sporadic E

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P_qbU-gzuyA/tf3ml_on_70mhz_via_sporadic_e.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Icelandic station TF3ML put a huge signal into East Anglia on 70 MHz during a Sporadic E opening

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Police Explorers begin Amateur Radio classes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IShpR0742KE/police_explorers_begin_amateur_radio_classes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Missourian reports that four young members of the Pacific Police Explorers Club signed-up to take classes for the amateur radio license exam

1127. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 30 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-30 16:14:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e83aee01f3104c3b2da91@google.com>
Source record: 2694
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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CG7CWPC 100th Anniversary of the C. W. Parker Carousel Burnaby, BC Canada

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 02:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352066-CG7CWPC-100th-Anniversary-of-the-C-W-Parker-Carousel-Burnaby-BC-Canada&goto=newpost

CG7CWPC, the special event call sign for the 100th anniversary of CW
Parker Carousel #119, will be participating in the 2012 Canada Day Contest
July 1, UTC

Visit the RAC website for more information on the Canada Day Contest

Get a great looking QSL! We QSL 100%

Visit the Burnaby Amateur Radio Club website for more information

http://www.ve7bar.org/

1128. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 30 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-30 16:37:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407bd3b7f9f04c3b32db6@google.com>
Source record: 2695
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1820 June 29 2012

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 02:25 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?351982-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1820--June-29-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1820 ☐ June 29 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1820 with a release date of June 29, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio continues its aid in response to wildfires in Colorado; hams in Sri Lanka say they want to be included in ham radio emergency communications; big changes coming to 70 centimeters down under; a day change for Ham Nation and a new method of data transfer could reach 2 point 5 terabytes per second. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1820 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO FIRE UPDATE

We begin this week with an update on ham radio assisting those fighting the wildfires burning in Colorado and New Mexico. Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has what☐s known so far:

1129. SARL News in English 30/6/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-30 17:54:14 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <10ACECF3128F44C7972003A75910117F@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2696
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 01 JULY 2012

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria with relays on 7 066 and 3 695 kHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

FIRST WORKED ALL SOUTH AFRICAN GRID SQUARES AWARD FOR 160 m AWARDED

AMATEURS ASSIST STRICKEN VESSEL

LEARN HOW DO YOUR OWN HF PREDICTIONS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

FIRST WORKED ALL SOUTH AFRICAN GRID SQUARES AWARD FOR 160 m AWARDED

The Sandton Amateur Radio Club is pleased to announce that the first certificate for contacts with 25 grid squares on 160 m has been awarded to Lukas Holtzhausen ZS6LH. Pierre ZS6BB (now ZS6A) still holds the record as the only person to achieve all 83 grids in South Africa, and no one has yet achieved this for a specific band. The aim of this award is to involve any licensed radio amateur in a fun activity to collect at least one contact from each of the four-character Maidenhead grid squares. South Africa is covered by 83 grid squares, and some of these can be worked from adjacent territories. The rules for the Worked All South African Grid Squares award can be found on the Sandton amateur radio club website at www.zs6stn.org.za.

AMATEURS ASSIST STRICKEN VESSEL

If all else fails there's always amateur radio. David Ogg, M0OGY, was in QSO with Ian, VK3MO, in Melbourne in Australia using the long path

at nearly 24 000 km. Later into the QSO he heard a Break station that turned out to be AI4FH, Maritime Mobile off the coast of Spain, who had lost his mast and sails in a massive storm. He asked for their assistance via amateur radio. David filmed the whole episode for YouTube and has posted the video. He says, 'It just goes to show in these modern times, when all else fails there is amateur radio'. You can find the audio on www.sarl.org.za, click on the Amateur Radio Today link.

LEARN HOW DO YOUR OWN HF PREDICTIONS

At the SARL Radio in Action symposiums you will learn how to do your own HF propagation predictions. Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BPZ, will talk about the In's and Out's of Ionospheric Propagation and demonstrate the VOACOP frequency prediction software and show delegates how to set it up on their home computers from the disk that will be supplied to all delegates at the RTA. The first RTA will be held in Durban at the University of Natal on Saturday 21 July. The event starts at 09:00 with registration from 08:30. The full programme is on the SARL web at www.sarl.org.za, select RTA. The RTA will come to Gauteng on 18 August. Port Elizabeth on 1 September and Cape Town on 29 September.

DXCC DESK APPROVES SEVEN OPERATIONS FOR CREDIT

In June, the DXCC approved seven operations for DXCC credit. On June 21, the 2012 TT8ES (Chad) operation, the XX9E (Macao) operation and the 2011 TL9EL (Central African Republic) were approved. On June 25, the 2012 XW4XR (Laos) operation was approved. On June 26, the 2010 J28RO (Djibouti) operation, the 2011 J25DXA (Djibouti) operation and the 2012 5X1RO (Uganda) operation have been approved. "If you had cards that were recently rejected for these operations, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk, "Moore said. "Please note that due to extremely heavy e-mail, DXCC staff may not respond to your message. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW) accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings. Due to a backup on DXCC e-mail, DXCC staff will make the corrections to accounts, but may not respond directly to messages about this." Moore noted that the J28RO and 5X1RO logs have been uploaded to LoTW.

OPERATE IN THE IARU HF CHAMPIONSHIP FROM THE NARC

The International Amateur Radio Union sponsored High Frequency World Championship 2012 will take place beginning 12:00 UTC on Saturday July 14th and ending 12:00 UTC on Sunday July 15th. The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU member society Headquarters stations, around the world as possible. This, using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands.

The SARL would like to put its station at the NARC on the air and is looking for volunteers to man the station for the full period. This would be a great opportunity for experienced contesters to show newcomers how much fun contesting is. If you are interested, drop a

line to contest@sarl.org.za this week and you will be contacted.

THE SARL DX RECORD TABLE FOR VHF, UHF & MICROWAVES TO BE UPDATED

The current SARL DX record table for VHF, UHF and Microwaves will be updated after 30 June 2012. All VHF amateurs throughout the country are invited to submit their record claims for 50, 70, 144, 432, 1 296 and 2 300 MHz or any microwave records that they may have made during the past year or earlier. To find out whether you qualify for a record check the 2011 record table by clicking on General Info on the homepage of the SARL, followed by Local information and then VHF, UHF, SHF, EHF SA records. The top five records of each category are listed. You can post your claims on the VHF forums, or ZSVHF mailman list or e-mail it to mcbosch@webafrica.org.za.

DO YOU NEED A CONTACT IN KG 10?

Dennis, ZS4BS, will be traveling to the Northern Cape on 6 to 8 July and spend most of the time in KG10. Dennis will be active on 40 and 30 metres while mobile and when at his base will be able to work on 80 metres as well.

If you need KG10, contact Dennis at zs4bs@iaru-r1.org to arrange a sked.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected Solar activity will be at moderate levels. Sunspots 1 512 and 1 513 harbours enough energy for M-class flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 47.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 20 m providing the best openings with 15 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be much less frequent due to the lower solar activity and then mostly on east-west paths.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

6/8 July - Dennis, ZS4BS, operating mobile in KG10, contact him per email to zs4bs@iaru-r1.org to arrange a sked if you need this grid square. 14/15 July - The IARU HF Championship on all the bands. Rules are available at tinyurl.com/iaru-hf-championship. If you wish to operate the station from the NARC, send email immediately to contest@sarl.org.za. 21 July - The first Radio Technology in Action (RTA) of 2012 in Durban at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. The full programme will be available on www.sarl.org.za early next week.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items -

if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dick, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1130. eHam.net News for Saturday 30 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-06-30 22:18:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852b48180304c3b7f3bd@google.com>
Source record: 2697
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Police Explorers Begin Amateur Radio Classes:

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 03:16 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28562

When four young members of the Pacific Police Explorers Club signed up to take classes for the amateur radio federal license exam, Keith Wilson, Franklin County deputy emergency management director, said it was it was a good day for amateur radio. Even though the classes, sponsored by the Eureka Fire Protection District and held in the district training center on Route 66, was filled with professionals in the emergency field, Wilson said the interest of the young people is vital to the future of amateur radio. "With cellphones, Facebook or Twitter, today's young people can communicate with their friends immediately. It would be understandable if they think amateur radio is out of date," Wilson said. "But in every major disaster, such as hurricanes, tornados or terrorist attacks, ham radio is the last communication standing. "Young people are crucial to the future of ham radio," he added. "In order to keep the amateur bands assigned by the FCC we must use them before they are gobbled up by others wanting to use the radio waves." Jill Pigg, Pacific Explorers sponsor, who also is taking the class to become a ham, said a federal amateur radio license will be an asset to the young Explorers. "The premise of the Explorers club is that they might want to pursue a career in law enforcement," Pigg said. "Whether or not they go in that direction, being a ham is a great discipline for them."

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How About Some Wideband HF Radio?

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 03:14 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28561

This is a bit that goes back to my halcyon days as a Marine radio operator. The single sideband radio, first proven by ham radio operators after World War II and then adopted as a global communications system by the now defunct Strategic Air Command in 1957, has great staying power. The Air Force operates a successor to that 1957 network known as the High Frequency Global Communications System, with 13 stations scattered around the world that provide global coverage to a wide range of military users, including Air Force One.

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2 Meter Slim Jim Antenna Giveaway!

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 03:18 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28560

Hamuniverse.com and KB9VBR Antennas is giving away a 2 Meter Slim Jim antenna over the next couple of weeks to one lucky licensed ham in the U.S.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Turns Age 35:

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 03:17 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28559

In talking with Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, we realized that this weeks newscast marks the 35th anniversary of the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #26 de K7RA:

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 03:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28557

Sunspot activity continued to drop until early this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were 26.3, down over 58 points from last week's numbers. Average daily solar flux declined to 92.8, down over 33 points from last week's average.

1131. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 30 June 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 02:23:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407bde3ddc104c3bb5e54@google.com>
Source record: 2698
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Turns Age 35: - eHam.net

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 10:29 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEVffNOofwjMWstuIGzTYurHlrrLg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28559

Amateur Radio Newsline Turns Age 35:
eHam.net
eHam.net Article: Amateur Radio Newsline Turns Age 35: - In talking with Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, we realized that this weeks newscast marks the 35th anniversary of the Amateur Radio Newsline. - eHam.net is a Web site dedicated to ham radio (amateur ...

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Small Town Amateur Radio Society participates in Vilonia field day - Log Cabin Democrat

Posted: 25 Jun 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHwo1ndXe0qs3zQ2C9fcwJDAfqErw&url=http://thecabin.net/news/local/2012-06-25/small-town-amateur-radio-society-participates-vilonia-field-day

Small Town Amateur Radio Society participates in Vilonia field day
Log Cabin Democrat
A member of Cabots Small Town Amateur Radio Society, Richard Zelnick, along with his two grandsons, Jessee and Matthew, and 30 or so other ham operators, set up in Vilonia, Saturday to participate in the national Amateur Radio Field Day. Advertisement ...

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'When all else fails,' there's amateur radio - Helena Independent Record

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 11:26 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF5f5pZphskHcyr2dm0nuf4DtzhsQ&url=http://helenair.com/when-all-else-fails-there-s-amateur-radio/article_60a19964-bdc3-11e1-a04d-0019bb2963f4.html

When all else fails, theres amateur radio
Helena Independent Record
“Throw a piece of wire up a tree and you can talk to Japan,” said Tom Mandera of Helena, a member of the Capital City Amateur Radio Club as he tried to aim a handheld at a low-orbit satellite Saturday. Mandera and other ham radio operators are spending ...

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Ham radio event connects Gratiot to world - The Morning Sun

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 04:52 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGfNToWOIR2F44Ffz2RoYSfFOb0g&url=http://www.themorningsun.com/article/20120624/ENTERTAINMENT01/120629845/ham-radio-event-connects-gratiot-to-world

Ham radio event connects Gratiot to world
The Morning Sun
Ham radio event connects Gratiot to world. By Randi Shaffer; Posted: 06/24/12 07:42 am. @RandiMShaffer. At this moment, a dozen amateur radio operators in Gratiot County are making contact with hundreds of other radio operators across the country.

1132. HOT LATEST UPDATED VIDEOS AND SEXY ACTRESES PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 05:52:47 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <174fde9c-0e9b-40a5-b94a-0460ac625c87@vc3g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2699

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1133. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1341122402@panix.com>
Source record: 2700
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1134. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 1 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 11:08:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf30334f9f38d71604c3c2b42e@google.com>
Source record: 2601
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radio hams swap places on the ISS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vZQTFAHRoHo/iss_crew_changes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Three Expedition 32 crew members to the International Space Station are
scheduled to launch aboard the Soyuz TMA-05M from the Baikonur Space Center
in Kazakhstan July 15

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Farewell to RNW's shortwave broadcasts from Bonaire

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nyH1LU_OgwI/farewell_to_rnw_shortwave_broadcasts_from_bonaire.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Netherlands' relay station on the Caribbean island of Bonaire
lies a few hundred metres off a narrow road

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Andr Kuipers: bringing space a little closer to home

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HYzepq94UI4/bringing_space_a_little_closer_to_home.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dutch astronaut André Kuipers returns to Earth on Sunday after spending
over six months aboard the International Space Station (ISS)

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CQ Magazine Worked All Zones - Satellite Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kLPO1GGAHco/waz_satellite_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sponsored by CQ Magazine, the Worked All Zones award program is one of the
longest running in Ham Radio, having its start prior to WWII

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Operate in the IARU HF Championship from the NARC

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/68CJTcUEkZw/operate_in_the_iaru_hf_cham

pionship_from_the_narc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The International Amateur Radio Union sponsored High Frequency World Championship 2012 will take place beginning 12:00 UTC on Saturday July 14th and ending 12:00 UTC on Sunday July 15th

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IgPfxe2lres/july_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected Solar activity will be at moderate levels. Sunspots 1 512 and 1 513 harbours enough energy for M-class flares

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ISWL Club callsigns in use from 1st July

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FwAi4q6fl4c/iswl_club_callsigns_in_use_from_1st_july.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

G4BJC and M1SWL will be used by several ISWL members in July, August and September, to mark the Olympic Games 2012 in the U.K.

1135. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 1 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 16:07:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517ca9a74392704c3c6df3f@google.com>
Source record: 2602
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amazon Power Failure knocks out QRZ for 12 hours

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 10:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352099-Amazon-Power-Failure-knocks-out-QRZ-for-12-hours&goto=newpost

A massive power failure in Northern Virginia, associated with violent summer storms, caused the Amazon Cloud to hiccup, throwing thousands of systems offline for an extended period. Hundreds of systems were affected, including QRZ.

This outage did not affect our servers but did cause a complete database failure. After waiting all night for Amazon to restore our data, we took the bold step this morning to restore from an automated backup. At this point in time we're not sure what data was lost, if any, but there is a possibility that some material may have been dropped.

To the best of our knowledge, the our callsign database did not lose any data. Candidates for data loss include parts of our Forums, however this has not been confirmed.

We appreciate your patience as this has been a nerve wracking 12 hours, and a sleepless night here at QRZ HQ.

1136. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 1 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 16:22:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ff953b4604c3c714ed@google.com>
Source record: 2603
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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International lighthouse weekend (lighthouses on the air) 17th,18th,19th
august 2012

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 02:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352125-International-lighthouse-weekend-(lighthouses-on-the-air)-17th-18th-19th-august-2012&goto=newpost

HI, ITS NEARLY THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN, PROBABLY MY MOST FAVORITE OF ALL!!!

I GET TO RELAX AND ENJOY RADIO WITH FRIENDS AND MAKE A GOOD WEEKEND OUT OF
IT, AND ALSO GET AWAY FROM THE "XYL" HI HI

AS USUAL WE WILL BE USING THE CALLSIGN "GN0 LIX/P"

WE WILL BE ACTIVATING "CHAINES MEMORIAL TOWER LIGHTHOUSE" SITUATED IN THE
COASTAL TOWN OF LARNE, CO.ANTRIM, NORTHERN IRELAND, U.K.

HERES A FEW DETAILS ABOUT THE TOWER:-

INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND 2012

INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND 2012

18 Aug 2012 to 19 Aug 2012

Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group (CARG), GIØLIX will operate portable
station GNØLIX on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th August 2012 as part of the
International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend 2012: http://illw.net/

This year's event details are: 18-19 August 2012 and duration 48 hours from
0001 UTC 18.8.2012.

Click the following link to see the full ILLW 2012 Amateur Radio station
participant list, including Station GIØLIX/GNØLIX:

http://illw.net/index.php/entrants-list-2012

GNØLIX will operate from the mouth of Larne Harbour, adjacent to Chaine
Tower lighthouse.

A GNØLIX QSL card (special) can be downloaded from the full Club website at:

http://gi0lix.mywebcommunity.org/qsl.htm

LIGHTHOUSE DETAILS:

Chaine Tower/Sandy Point

(Co. Antrim) Light ARLHS NTI-004

Locator: IO74cu

ILLW No.: UK0033 (http://illw.info/)

IOTA EU-115

Lat: 54 51.270N, Lon: 5 47.878W.

ARLHS No.: NTI-004

(http://wlol.arlhs.com/lighthouse/NTI4.htm)

All QSL via the bureau.

NOTE ALSO QSL CAN BE DIRECT BY CONTACTING ME (RICHARD "2I0 RWG")

SWL'S CAN ALSO RECEIVE QSL'S FOR THIS EVENT BUT THEY MUST FIRST CONTACT ME AFTER THIS WEEKEND WITH DETAILS OF TIMES, FREQUENCY AND MODE USED SO I CAN CONFIRM FIRST BEFORE I WILL SEND ANY SWL QSL.

MY EMAIL ADDRESS IS AS FOLLOWS: rgilmore1@hotmail.co.uk

QSL CARG LIGHTHOUSE.jpg

The Chaine Memorial Tower is a memorial to James Chaine, a former Member of Parliament for Larne, County Antrim. It is a cylindrical stone tower lighthouse with a conical roof, situated on the west side of entrance to Larne Lough

The tower at sunrise from Sandy Bay.Chaine developed Larne's short sea route to Scotland as well as establishing the town as a transatlantic port. The memorial, built in 1888, is a replica of an Irish Round Tower. The memorial is situated at the mouth of Larne harbour in Northern Ireland, and reached via Chaine Memorial Road. There is access from Curran Road via Bay Road.

The plaque which adorns the memorial is now difficult to read. It reads that the monument was erected by the...

"....contributions of every class in this mixed community irrespective of creed or party, all cordially united in esteem and affection for the Memory of JAMES CHAINE of Ballycraigy and Cairncastle Co. Antrim who represented this County in the Imperial Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland from February 1874 till 4 May 1885 when his early and lamented death in his 44th year of his age deprived his native County of one who had worked indefatigably for its interests especially in developing and improving the natural capabilities of the harbour of Larne and establishing its connection with Great Britain, the United States of America and with the inland parts of this County."

On 1 July 1899, an oil powered navigational light was installed 22 metres up the tower (The tower being a total of 28 metres in height). The light was installed to aid the navigation of the Hunter Rock, a submerged rock

approx 5 miles off shore.

The light was converted to coal gas in 1905, before finally being converted to electric in the latter part of 1935. During April 1948 the supply was changed from DC to AC.

Maintaining the Light now falls under the remit of the attending keeper at Ferris Point Lighthouse on the other side of the Harbour.

WE AT C.A.R.G (CARRICKFERGUS AMATEUR RADIO GROUP) REALLY HOPE TO HEAR YOUS ALL ON THE AIR THIS WEEKEND AND HOPE WE CAN MAKE THE CONTACT, WE WILL HAVE A FEW STATIONS RUNNING, USING DIFFERENT MODES AND MOST BANDS SO YOU CAN EXPECT TO FIND US ALMOST ANYWHERE IN THE SPECTRUM HI HI, THE SET UP WILL PROBABLY BE BASIC AS IT GETS AND POWER WILL PROBABLY NOT EXCEED 100WATTS, BUT WE DONT NEED ANYMORE THAN THIS AS LAST YEAR WE WORKED ACROSS THE WHOLE WORLD INCLUDING NEWZEALAND, THIS CONTACT IS PROBABLY THE FURTHEST DISTANCE AWAY FROM US HERE IN OUR SMALL COUNTRY THAN ANYWHERE ELSE!!

QRZ 1.jpg

THE ABOVE IS A PICTURE OF LASTYEARS BASIC SETUP!! IT INCLUDE THE TENT HI HI, RIGS: KENWOOD TS870S, TS450, YAESU FT857D, ICOM 7400, ANTENNAS WHERE AN END FED (TOP BAND), G5RV, GP, SNOWDONIA, IMAX, AND ANYTHING ELSE WE FELT LIKE PUTTING UP, SOMONE EVEN SUGESSTED WE TRY HOOKING UP A LARGE TREE HI HI TO SEE IF WE COULD GET IT TO TRANSMIT!!!! HA HA HA.

SO ALL I CAN SAY NOW IS 73'S TO ALL, AND WE REALLY HOPE TO HEAR YOUS ALL SOON.

BEST REGARDS, RICHARD "2I0RWG, GN0LIX/P

P.S ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO GET IN TOUCH!! BUT I JUST THOUGHT I WOULD LET YOUS KNOW EARLY THIS YEAR SO YOUS CAN ALL GET THE DATE IN YOUR CALENDER AND GET YOUR EARS ON HI HI..

Attached Images

QSL CARG LIGHTHOUSE.jpg
(50.8 KB)

QRZ 1.jpg
(112.2 KB)

1137. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 1st July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 20:00:21 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120701200005.06FDD33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2604
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 1st July 2012

HF News Readers Needed

Additional HF newsreaders are required to cover the 40 & 80M news broadcasts over the summer months due to holidays etc. Any members that wish to join the panel and are available to read the HF news would be most welcome. Please send an email to info /at/ irts.e

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Short Wave Listeners

Short Wave Listener members will have seen the item on Page 4 of the current issue of Echo Ireland about call book entries. SWLs who want to be included in published listings are asked to email Joe Ryan EI7GY, the Membership Records Officer, at memrecords /at/ irts.ie

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2012 IARU HF World Championship

The 2012 IARU HF World Championships will take place during the second full weekend of July, beginning at 12:00 UTC on Saturday 14 July and ending at 12:00 UTC on Sunday 15 July 2012.

The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU Member Society HQ stations, around the world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands using phone and/or CW.

All IARU Region 1 Member Societies are invited to actively participate with their official stations and to encourage their members to also participate.

We need to have a station on all the contest bands both CW and SSB which makes a total of 12 stations. If you are interested in helping with your station or as an operator please contact Thos EI2JD through email at thoscaffrey /at/ hotmail.com or by phone to 0872953256. As we are celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the IRTS we will be using the special callsign EI80IRTS.

The rules for the 2012 contest are available on http://bit.ly/9droX1

Death of Dick Baldwin W1RU

The death has been reported of Dick Baldwin W1RU former General Manager of ARRL from 1975-1982 and former President of IARU International for seventeen years from 1982-1999. As ARRL Assistant General Manager Dick was primarily responsible for initiating preparations for WARC 79 and was a key player in turning the objective of obtaining three new bands at 10, 18 and 24 MHz into a reality. On his retirement from IARU in 1999 he was named President Emeritus by the Administrative Council. May he rest in peace.

North Cork Radio Group

The North Cork Radio Group is happy to announce that their next event is on Sunday 8th July. The NCRG will activate Seefin Mountain. Using the EI1NC/P call-sign; we hope to either see or work many of you!

DX News

Andy AB7FS will be active from the South Cook Islands until 25 August. His callsign will be E51AND. His QTH of Rarotonga counts as OC-013 for the Islands on the Air Award. QSL to his home call.

A large group of Indonesian operators will travel to the island of Kaliage Besar to operate as YE0M from 6 - 9 July. IOTA reference is OC-177 and QSL Manager is YB1GJS.

DXers will remember that Vlad UA4WHX activated a good number of African countries between 2005 and 2007. More recently he has been worked in Egypt as SU9VB, in Palestine as E40VB and in Bosnia-Herzegovina as E7/UA4WHX. At the time of writing he is now on the air from Montenegro as 4O7VB. His length of stay there is unknown. QSLs go via his home call.

A special event station, TM0TSR, will operate from Saint-Malo, France in connection with this year's Tall Ships Race. They will be QRV from 2 - 8 July and the QSL info is via F4FJH.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 24th-June, through Sunday, 1st-July there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA (Reminder). By the time you read this, an international team of 13 operators will be active as 1A0C between July 1-4th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Special attention will be paid to non-European stations (especially

from the U.S. and Japan). QSL via OQRS or LoTW. Please carefully read,
the following URL page about the QSL Policy at:
http://www.1a0c.com/qsl-information
For more details and updates, see: http://www.1a0c.com

5C13, MOROCCO. Look for Moroccan amateur radio operators to use the
special prefix 5C13 between July 1-27th. Activity is in celebration
of the 13th anniversary of the crowning of Mohammed VI King of Morocco.
Stations heard as of print time: 5C13IG, 5C13KD, 5C13NK, 5C13SG and
5C13YZ.

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Members of the Trinidad And Tobago Amateur
Radio Society will be active as 9Y4HQ during the IARU HF World Champion-
ships (July 14-15th). Activity will be on all HF bands using CW and
SSB. QSL ONLY via DF2RG, direct or by the Bureau.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Ivor, ZS1WY, is currently active as C91IW and is expected
to be there over the next year. However, Ivor is there working in Mo-
zambique, and operations may be limted. QSNs show he was on 160 meters.
QSL via ZS1WY.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (Update). The CY9M Team announced this past week,
[edited] "CY9M are delighted to welcome Bill, N2WB, to this exciting
expedition. Bill has a wealth of DXpeditioning experience visiting and
operating from some of the rarest places on Earth. Welcome aboard Wild
Bill!" The following media pages are available for this operation at:
Website: http://www.cy9m.com/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/#!/CY9M
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/CY9M.2012

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that
the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
3C0E - Annobon; 2012 Operation
3C6A • Equatorial Guinea; 2012 Operation
5X1RO • Uganda; 2012 Operation; **
J25DXA • Djibouti; 2011 Operation
J28RO - Djibouti; 2010 Operation **
XW4XR • Laos; 2012 Operation

** - Indicates logs have been uploaded to LoTW.
If you've had any of these operations rejected in a recent submission
please send an E-mail to <bmoore@arrl.org> to be put on the list for an
update.

DXPEDITION AWARDS FROM FRIEDRICHSHAFEN.....
* At last weekend's Friedrichshafen Convention, the German DX Foundation
announced at their DX forums that the 2011 "DXpedition of the Year"
went to the VP8ORK South Orkney DXpedition.

* Tevfik, TA1HZ, who was active as ZA1TC, received the WAEDC 2011 Hero
Award in Friedrichshafen, Germany.

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK (New Feature). With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
1976 - 7J1RL Okino Torishima Island -
English Ver. - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NABeU-hVk
JA Version - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mxQ8IfsuY#!

1997 - BS7H Scarborough Reef - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0WgagQIxM
2004 - ZK3SB Tokelau Island - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=owLbRn94E
2008 - YJ8TZ Vanuatu DXpedition -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eQd0Lkdq0
2010 - 3B8/IZ4AKS and 3B9/IZ4AKS; Mauritius & Rodrigues Islands Micro-DXpedition - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MCCZu_V3Y
2011 - YJ0VK Vanuatu DXpedition -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xBOaGq37M

If you have a DXpedition video available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish it.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Flavio, IW2NEF, will be active again as EA6/IW2NEF from Mallorca Island (EU-004) between June 16-27th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 6 meters and 2 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

EI & GI, IRELAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND. Dave, WJ2O, is expected to tour both Ireland and Northern Ireland as EI/WJ2O/m and GI/WJ2O/m, respectively, between July 8-19th. His schedule is as follows:
Ireland - July 8-15th and 19th
N. Ireland - July 16-18th
Activity will be on the HF bands, and he plans as to be in the IARU HF World Championships (July 14-15th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode from Ireland. QSL direct to his home callsign (see QRZ.com). For more information, see his Web site at: http://wj2o.com

FP/TO2, ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON. Operators Yuri/VE3DZ and Victor/VA2WDQ/VA2WA will be active as FP/VE3DZ and FP/VA2WA from Miquelon (NA-032) between July 20-31st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Look for them to use the special callsign TO2U for the CQWW VHF (July 21-22nd) and the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1824, 3524, 7024, 10114, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3790, 7060/7140, 14240, 18140, 21240, 24940 and 28440 kHz
RTTY - 7041, 10142, 14084, 18104, 21084, 24914 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50.104/CW and 50.115/SSB

QSL cards will be available after the DXpedition via OQRS, by the Bureau or direct by using the PayPal system. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.to2u.contestgroupduquebec.com

HD081, ECUADOR. Members of the Quito Radio Club (HC1QRC) will be active as HD081QRC (Hotel Delta Zero Eighty One) between July 14-22nd. Activity

will be on all bands, CW and SSB. The operation is to commemorate the founding of the Quito Radio Club 81 years ago. Equipment will include both modern and some beautifully restored vintage radios by Gustavo, HC1BG. QSL via HC1JQ, direct or by the Bureau.

HG, HUNGARY (WFF Op). The members of the Regional Radio Sport Club Puspokladany and quest operators will activate the rare Hevesi Fuves Pusztak Nature Reserve (HAFF-020) between July 13-16th. Operators mentioned are Zoli/HA0DX (Organizer), Viktor/HG0NAZ, Pista/HA0KA and Imi/HA0BW. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes, with up to 4 stations depending on the local situation. QSL via the HA QSL Bureau (via HA0HW).

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-074. Ian, 9M2FB, will be active from Pulau Ketam during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/24HR/CW-Mode/Dx-pedition entry. QSL via his home callsign direct (see QRZ.com).

EU-014. Peter, ON8VP, will be active as TK/ON8VP from Corsica (DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) between July 1-6th. Activity will be holiday style. QSL via his home callsign, the Bureau is preferred.

EU-015. The special event station SX9S will be active from Crete between July 1st and December 31st. This marks the 50th anniversary of the national park "Samaria Gorge" (SVFF-011). QSL via SV9AUE, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-075. Nikiforos, SV1EEX, will be active as SV1EEX/8 from Hydra Island until the middle of July. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign (see details on QRZ.com).

NA-067. Jon, WB8YJF, will be active as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke Island (USI NC-001S) between July 22-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Operations will be on 80-10 meters using CW, RTTY, and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct (for a FAST reply) or by the Bureau.

NA-126. Operators Kevin/VE9MY and Linda/VE9GLF will be active from John's Island (CISA NS-127) before, during and after the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Both callsigns will be used as a Single-Op/Low-Power entries. QSL both callsigns via VE9MY (see QRZ.com), LoTW, direct or by the Bureau (prefered - E-mail requests are accepted). Visit: http://qsl.net/ve9my

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For July/August/Sepember). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of June/August/Sepember:

Look for G4BJC and M1SWL to be used by several ISWL members in July, August and September, to mark the Olympic Games 2012 in the U.K.

The operators and dates for both club callsigns are as follows:

G4BJC:
July 1-20th - GX4BJC - Arthur G-20358 / G0KOC - WAB: TQ62
July 21-27th - GO4BJC/A - John G-20579 / M0HEM - WAB: TQ48
July 28th-August 3rd - GO4BJC/A - Mike G-11331 / M0SMJ - WAB: SS20
August 4-10th - GO4BJC/A - Walt G-8343 / G3NYY - WAB: SO93
August 11-17th - GO4BJC/A - John G-11570 / G8XTJ - WAB: SP80
August 18-24th - GO4BJC/A - Peter G-20322 / G4VFG - WAB: SX65
August 25-31st - GO4BJC/A - Herbie G-20006 / G6XOU - WAB: TM22
September 1-7th - GO4BJC/A - Geof G-20665 / M0BAU - WAB: SJ37
September 8-9th - GO4BJC - Arthur G-20358 / G0KOC - WAB: TQ62
September 10-30th - to be notified

M1SWL:
July 1-20th - MX1SWL/A - Tom G-7964 / G3RPV - WAB: TL27
July 21-27th - MO1SWL/A - John G-11570 / G8XTJ - WAB: SP80
July 28th-August 3rd - MO1SWL/A - Peter G-20322 / G4VFG - WAB: SX65
August 4-10th - MO1SWL/A - Geof G-20665 / M0BAU - WAB: SJ37
August 11-17th - MO1SWL/A - Tony G-10476 / G4ZIB - WAB: SO87
August 18-24th - MO1SWL/A - Mike G-11331 / M0SMJ - WAB: SS20
August 25-31st - MO1SWL/A - Walt G-8343 / G3NYY - WAB: SO93
September 1-7th - MO1SWL/A - John G-20579 / M0HEM - WAB: TQ48
September 8-9th - MO1SWL/A - Herbie G-20006 / G6XOU - WAB: TM22
September 10-30th - MX1SWL/A - Tom G-796 4 / G3RPV - WAB: TL27

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operators.

For more information, see <http://www.iswl.org.uk> or QRZ.com and eQSL.cc. NO LoTW.

K2, UNITED STATES (Update - Special Notice!!). The 4th annual "Original 13 Colonies - Independence Week - Special Event", has begun as of June 30th (OPDX.1067 for details). However, due to the effects of the severe storms in the Midwest and Northeast resulting in loss of power to many areas and the lack of propagation, the Special Event is being extended until midnight (0400Z) on Saturday 7 July (Sunday Zulu). Note that, due to other commitments, all colony operators may not be on the air at all times during that time period. They will do the best they can to help you get your contacts. PLEASE BE PATIENT! A SPOTTER's PAGE is available at: http://www.cwfun.org/funspots/us13

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 2-8th)....
Jul/02nd HN Jul/05th HN-AN Jul/07th AN
Jul/03rd HN Jul/06th AN Jul/08th HN
Jul/04th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29

BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K$\hat{\square}$ 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K$\hat{\square}$ 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K$\hat{\square}$9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Reminder). By the time you read this, members of the Russian Robinson Club (RRC), Yuri/N3QQ and Dick/N7RO will be active from American Samoa until July 3rd. They are currently active as KH8PPG, but may sign KH8RRC, depending on how fast the FCC acts on their vanity callsign application from Pago Pago. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with two stations on the air - one operating 100 watss and the other with 600 watts. Yuri tells OPDX that they "Plan to stay at hotel near the beach, and have a RTTY station ready to go, all tested/packed." QSL via N7RO. While there, they will install a UHF repeater system for the StarKist tuna plant, and also talk with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS), as well as boat owners about a potential expedition in the future to Rose Atoll (OC-190); possibly during this winter (no dates yet).

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. Paul, N6PSE, reported on eHam.net that the Intrepid DX Group "has just received a letter from the USAF denying our request to do a DXpedition from Wake Island". The group submitted a request two years ago and then "recently sent a follow up letter". Paul also states [edited], "I had E-mailed WA2YUN when I learned he was working on Wake. This was well after we had sent our proposal to the DoD. Now that the Colonel responsible for the base has denied our request, we will focus on other rare entities."

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Hiro, JL1RXW, is now active as KH0XG from Tinian Island (OC-086) until July 3rd. Activity will be on the HF bands SSB only. QSNs show he is 40 and 15 meters. QSL via his home callsign ONLY, direct or by the Bureau. Don't send to the KH0 Bureau or TINIAN direct.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kirk, WE8A, will be active as WE8A/KH0 from Saipan (OC-086) between Thursday, July 26th, and Sunday, July 29th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, but with a focus on 30/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested operating frequencies on the 30/17/12 meter bands will be (+/- QRM): CW - 10106, 18071 and 24901 kHz
SSB - 18136 and 24936 kHz
QSL ONLY direct to: 5-1-35, Daikaidori, Kobe, 652-0803 JAPAN. Please do not send to the U.S. Bureau or JA Bureau. For more details and updates, go to: http://blog.zaq.ne.jp/kirc/category/5

PC100, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Look for special event station PC100NOM to be active between July 2-29th. Activity is to promote the 100th anniversary of The Netherlands Open Air Museum in Arnhem. The operator is Fred, PA0FAW, and he will be operating on CW, SSB and PSK, ..etc. Fred's reference numbers are DIG1487, ISWL PA-11092 and WAB-11722. QSL via PA0FAW, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL. No LoTW, SWLs are welcome.

PQ7/PW7, BRAZIL. Look for special event stations, PW7FD (SSB & Digital) and PQ7FD (CW), to be active between July 1-30th, in honor of the Brazilian Firefighters. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters. QSL

Manager is PS7AB (qrz.com), direct (SASE w/1 USD), or by the Bureau
(QSLs from SWLs are welcome) or LoTW. For more information, see:
http://www.ps7ab.com.br/pq7fd.htm

PT0, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS. A report on QRZ.com, states that a
special event station, "PT0S is a DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul
Archipelago in the Nov/Dec 2012 time frame. " A suggested URL (which
seems to not be active yet) will be at: http://www.pt0s.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 1st)

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3A/DK1AF via DK1AF GP3ZME via G3ZME OH0/OK2BOB via OK2BOB
3B8/HB9ARY via HB9ARY HB0/E77QJ via DJ0QJ OM90ZSE via OM3PA
4O7VB via UA4WHX HB0/JA5AQC via JA5AQC OZ/DG1LHM via DG1LHM
5B4AHL via M0URX I1/F8ENY via F8ENY P3EU via 5B4AHO
DP7COTA via DL7RAG JH7DFZ/BY5CD via JH7DFZ R200BS via RK3CQ
E7/UA4WHX via UA4WHX KH0XG via JL1RXW TM0CEZ via F5CWU
EO2012EURO via UR5WA LZ12FDAY via LZ-Bureau VP2V/W9DR via W9DR
ES0/DL1RNW via DL1RNW OG5N via OH1CQ VY0/K9DXA via K9DXA
G0/OE8NIK via OE8NIK OH0/OK1AMM via OK1AMM ZA/Z35M via Z35M (d)

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

Special event station 5P12EU has gone QRT on June 30th, at 2200z. The
operators were very active the last two days to give the opportunity
to have QSOs on as many bands as possible since an award is obtainable
for QSO on 3 bands (Bronze), 5 bands (Silver) and 7 bands (Gold). The
pdf-version of the award is free of charge. Details on QSLing and the
Online QSL Request Service can be found here:
http://logsearch-oz0j.oz0j.dk/5p12eu.asp
DIRECT QSLS CARD WITH INSUFFICIENT PAYMENT WILL BE RETURNED VIA BUREAU.
Logs will be uploaded or are now on LoTW. Details and rules for the
award are available at:
http://dl.dropbox.com/u/2651703/5p12euAWARD.pdf
http://www.oz5bd.dk/5p12eu/viewpage.php?page_id=
Freddy, F5IRO, reports that all his logs for J28RO, J25DXA and 5X1RO,
have been uploaded to LoTW.

QSL TC6BLH via TA1HZ, direct or by the Bureau. Members of the TC Special
Wireless Activity Team (TCSWAT) and the Giresun Radio Amateurs and
Nature Sports Club (GITRAD) activated the Boztepe Lighthouse, Sinop
(built in 1863), this past weekend. This was the first activation of
this lighthouse. For information on the "Western Black Sea Lighthouses
On The Air", visit: http://www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA/index.html

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5P12EU, 6O0CW, A65EE, C6ANM, CM5FZ, CP1FF,
E7DX, EA8/RW3DO, ER1MM, G3VMW, G4BUE, HK3TU, IZ0SPA, JH2UVL, K8MM,
K9FY, KP4SJ, KT4ZB, LB9JE, LY2SA, N0UJJ, OK1DTM, OM5NL, OX3XR, OZ5RZ,
PA1T, PY4XX, RA2FT, RN1ON, RN6AJ, RZ3QZ, SK5A, SP1RKR, SQ9NKW, SV5/G0TSM,

TK5JJ, UA0BA, UT5EO, UT5UKY, VA5LF, VE1CHL, VE5MX, VK4CT, W7RTL, WI6I, WR5U, XF4DL, YO2CZW, YO3FRI and Z21BB

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3A2LF, 4Z5MU, 4W0VB, 9K2YM, 9M2AX, 9Q6AL, 9Y4LAS, BY8AC, CT1BWQ, CU3AK, DL1BI, EA9EU, EK6TA, EK7DX, ES1TU, ES3AX, EY7AD, FW0NAR, GQ7VJR, HK0NA, HK1NA, KH6/VE7AHA, MM0XAU, PJ5/SO6X, PJ5/SP6IXF, SU9VB, SV5BYR/5, T30D, UA0BA, V26E, V31IZ, YB8Y, YJ0VK, YV1FPT, ZK2C and ZL2MS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

ST2AR QRT. Robert, ST2AR, reports on QRZ.com that he is off the air! He states, "After 2 years, 7 months and 138,000 QSOs the switch has been finally pulled. Last QSO was made on the 9th of June on 24-CW. As I write, I'm on the way to Italy where Rome is my new duty station for the next 5-6 years. See you also from some of the beautiful Italian islands. Thanks to Ralph, K2PF, all ST2AR contacts are now uploaded to LoTW. I will work on the eQSL log after returning home during the summer."

TO2, ST. BARTHELEMY. Operators Ludovic/HB9EOU and Andre/HB9CVC will be active as TO2D from St. Barthelemy Island (NA-146) between July 22nd and August 4th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 7058/7180, 14195/14269, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50118 kHz
QSL via HB9EOU. For more details and udates, visit:
http://st-barth.hb9eme.ch

TM70, FRANCE (Special Event). Operators Philippe/F5SKW, Dimitri/F5SWB, Freddy/F5IRO/J28RO, David/F8CRS, Yves-Michel/F5PRU, and possibly some other hams and French Servicemen will be active as TM70TRS or TM70TE from the 3rd floor of the Eiffel Tower, approximate 300 meters above the ground, between July 12-15th. Activity is to commemorate the 70th anni-versary of the French Army Signal Corps. Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and on the HF and VHF (JN18du) bands. Operations will be 24 hours each day. A special QSL card will be available. QSL via the F6KHX ARC or F5OGL, direct or by the REF QSL Bureau.

TT8, CHAD. Phil, F4EGS, will once again be active as TT8PK from N'djamena, until August 6th. Activity will be limited due to his work schedule and spare time. Operations last time were on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and some RTTY. QSL via F4EGS, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com for details).

VY0, CANADA (Update). Rob, KC0VEU, is now active with his new callsign AD0AX/VY0 from Eureka, Ellesmere Island, in the Nunavut Territory (NA-008, Grid Loc. EQ79ax) until July 5th. He is there on official business. Some-time during his stay, and weather permitting, he will attempt to operate from the PEARL facility 15km away which is located at 80'N - 86'25'W, and
therefore in the rare ER grid (ER60) for those who chase the CQ Grid Fields

award and the rare ITU Zone 75. PEARL (the Polar Environment Atmospheric Research Laboratory) is also a separate base for the Arctic Challenge <www.french-polar-team.fr>. This is Rob's fifth time on Ellesmere. QSL direct or by the Bureau to his home callsign.

XR, CHILE. Members of the Radio Club of Chile will be active as XR3HQ from the Chile HQ station in the IARU HF World Championships (July 14-15th). QSL via the Bureau.

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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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1139. eHam.net News for Sunday 1 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-01 22:26:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411cfbb747a04c3cc2b1d@google.com>
Source record: 2606
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Help at Race:

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 05:08 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28568

For the inaugural Race for the Heart, planners Phil Hartley and Wisconsin Rapids Police Chief Heuer asked the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, or ARES, team to help with communications. ARES members were asked to relay important information from runners and runner location back to the command center. Members also assisted participants in case of an emergency. During the event, ARES members were stationed at every point where a participant could run off course and get lost. Hams assisted race organizers with keeping water stations well stocked and worked with the Wisconsin Rapids Police Department to keep participants safe.

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13 Colonies Special Event Extended:

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 04:53 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28567

Due to the strong storms that have battered many states and caused power outages, we are extending the 13 Colonies special event to one week. We will end Saturday July 7th at 0400 or midnight Saturday night eastern.

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Press Release: New VHF/UHF Antenna Products:

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28556

Omega-Tec, a company located in Jackson, MS. has just announced that a new product line of VHF and UFH antennas has just been released for sale.

1140. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 1 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 02:32:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba21238dd9f57d04c3cf9b94@google.com>
Source record: 2607
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio - Citizens Voice

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 01:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGFuH_CBmpzKcZV5hh0Dahcx7Nr7Q&url=http://citizensvoice.com/news/on-the-town-7-1-12-1.1337491

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Citizens Voice
ï‚» Ham radio. The 33rd annual Murgas Amateur Radio Club Hamfest and Computerfest starts at 8 a.m. at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds in Dallas. The flea market and convention of radio enthusiasts features amateur radio operators from across the ...

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Hamming It Up at RIT - Rochester YNN

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 10:25 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE9Bqw10vMDVvp00Sw7-592wDBXiQ&url=http://rochester.ynn.com/content/top_stories/590034/hamming-it-up-at-rit/?ap%3D1%26MP4

Hamming It Up at RIT
Rochester YNN
Bill Marinucci, Vice President of the Rochester Amateur Radio Association said, "When all else fails, HAM radio is there, it can be used in national disasters when cell phone towers come down, when communications come down HAMs are able to provide ...

and more

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Ham radio preps for disaster - Times Record News

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 10:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE65Xq1qGyNDjlLFuPMnoHKZ1q2cA&url=http://www.timesrecordnews.com/news/2012/jun/24/ham-radio-preps-for-disaster/

Ham radio preps for disaster
Times Record News
PHOTOS BY Patrick Johnston/Times Record News Members of the Wichita Amateur Radio Society operate radios to contact other sites across the United States during the annual Field Day. Jenean Thomas listens for vocal messages from other sites across ...

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Ham radio operators keep in touch - Cherry Hill Courier Post

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 12:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHRqG0s0BdDalnHIP-qD__Sd-5x8g&url=http://www.courierpostonline.com/article/20120624/NEWS01/306240048/Ham-radio-operators-keep-touch

Ham radio operators keep in touch
Cherry Hill Courier Post
“The fastest way to turn a crisis into a total disaster is to lose communications,” said Allen Pitts of the Amateur Radio Relay League. “From the earthquake and tsunami in Japan to tornadoes in Missouri, ham radio provided the most reliable ...

1141. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 2 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 11:09:32 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0447852bc2293e04c3d6d424@google.com>
Source record: 2608
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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80 metres pedestrian mobile magnetic loop

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VR_I5fgUbiY/80_metres_pedestrian_mobile_magnetic_loop.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Peter Parker VK3YE shows how to go pedestrian mobile on 80m using a magnetic loop antenna

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Meteor Scatter and Sporadic E videos

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ee866gVLBUo/meteor_scatter_and_sporadic_e_videos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tony K2MO has released videos on amateur radio meteor scatter and Sporadic E using JT65

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TV interview with Radio Ham VU2YAM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QbFbm7TY0xE/tv_interview_with_radio_ham_vu2yam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sadineni Yamini VU2YAM was interviewed for 35 minutes about amateur radio on the V6 News channel in Mahalakshmi's Morning Show

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IRTS HF News readers needed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KTrUHsu5VfM/irts_hf_news_readers_needed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Additional HF newsreaders are required to cover the Irish Radio Transmitters Society's 40 and 80M news broadcasts over the summer months

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DBWvqZU7j1o/dxcc_report_0207.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
24th-June, through Sunday, 1st-July there were 212 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ef56HE81N4I/july_02.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4zDrLQcYsqQ/history_02_july.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1142. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 1st July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 14:36:40 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120702143630.19C0533C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2609
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 1st July 2012

The news headlines:

Amateurs assist stricken vessel

German amateurs honour RSGB past president

Very special callsign for RSGB IARU Contest Team

If all else fails there's always amateur radio. David Ogg, M0OGY, was holding a QSO with Ian, VK3MO in Melbourne in Australia using the long path at nearly 24,000km. Later into the QSO he heard a Break station that turned out to be AI4FH, Maritime Mobile off the coast of Spain, who had lost his mast and sails in a massive storm. He asked for their assistance via amateur radio. David filmed the whole episode for YouTube and has posted the video. He says, `it just goes to show in these modern times, when all else fails there is amateur radio'. You can find the video on YouTube by searching on M0OGY and looking for the QSO with Ian, VK3MO.

At a DARC hosted dinner in Friedrichshafen, DARC Chairman Steffen, DL7ATE awarded RSGB Past President Colin Thomas, G3PSM the DARC Golden Badge of Honour. Colin received this award for his achievements as CEPT coordinator for WRC-12 Agenda Item 1.23.

The RSGB team for the forthcoming IARU contest on 14 and 15 July has obtained the special callsign GO2HQ for use in this Olympics year. This is in advance of the general validity of O prefix NoVs, which commence at 0000BST on 21 July. &#65533;

Martin Harrison, G3USF has produced a number of shorter 6 and 10 reports in order to catch up and produce a more current report. These reports are based on the data submitted by Costas, SV1DH and the intention is to update these short form reports when the full set of data is available. The reports are available at http://g7kse.co.uk/6and10 and, as always, any comments or suggestions are welcome.

A celebration of the world's first telecommunications satellite will take place on 7 July. This is when the Radio Adventurers of Maine activate the callsign W1A to commemorate the first messages through Telstar. They will be operating on site at the Andover, Maine satellite facility, the original earth station that uplinked the first messages via Telstar on 10 July 1962. The club's commemorative operation will

begin at 1300UTC on both 40 and 20m phone. Other bands will be added as propagation allows. QSL as directed on the air.

In June, the DXCC approved seven operations for DXCC credit. These are the 2012 TT8ES Chad operation, XX9E Macao, 2011 TL9EL DXpedition to the Central African Republic, the 2012 XW4XR Laos operation, the 2010 J28RO and 2011 J25 DXA Djibouti DXpeditions plus the 2012 5X1RO Uganda operation. If you had cards that were recently rejected for these operations, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk. Once your record is updated, results will appear in Logbook of the World accounts or in the live, daily DXCC Standings.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 1 July, sees the Barford Norfolk Radio Rally at Barford Village Hall & Green, Barford, Norwich NR9 4AB. The location is 9 miles southwest of Norwich, close to the A11 and A47. There is talk-in on S22, car parking, and the gates open at 9am. Admission is ?1.50, with children free. There will be a car boot sale, Bring & Buy, trade stands and a prize draw. Refreshments are available, as are disabled facilities. Contact radio@dcpmicro.com for more information.

Also today is the East Suffolk Wireless Revival, also known as the Ipswich Radio Rally. It takes place at The Orwell Crossing Lorry Park, A14 Eastbound, Nacton, Ipswich, IP10 0DD. There is talk-in on S22, car parking, and the gates open at 9.30am. Admission is ?1, and you'll find a car boot sale, Bring & Buy, special interest groups, an RSGB book stall, trade stands and more. Contact Steve, M1ACB, on 07711 329 624.

The final event for today, Sunday 1 July, is the 16th Red Rose QRP Festival at Formby Hall, Alder Street, Atherton, Manchester M46 9EY. There's free car parking, disabled facilities, trade stands, special interest groups, a Bring & Buy, catering and a licensed bar. Admission is ?2, with under-14s free. Details from Les Jackson, G4HZJ, on 01942 870 634.

Next weekend is also busy with two rallies on Saturday 7th and one on the 8th. The Bangor & District ARS Rally will be held on the 7th at Donaghadee Community Centre, County Down BT21 0HB. Doors open at 11.30am and admission is ?3. There will be trades stands and a Bring & Buy. More information from Bill, GI4AAM on 02891 816 707.

Also on Saturday 7th, the Stockport Rally will take place at Walthew House, Shaw Heath, Stockport SK2 6QS. Doors open at 10am and admission is ?1. Tables are available at ?10 each. Details from Bernard, G3SHF, on 01625 850 088 (day) or Nigel, G0RXA, on 07973 312 699 (eves).

The 49th Cornish RAC Rally takes place at Penair School, St Clements, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 1TN on Sunday 8 July. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is ?2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from Steve on 01209 844 939.

Now for the news of special events

GB10SOTA, celebrating 10 years of Summits on the Air, continues from the summit of Mount Snowdon, GW/NW-001. Using HF, VHF and UHF, operation will continue until 15 July from the summit of the highest mountain in England and Wales. Details are on QRZ.com.

The Calgary Amateur Radio Association will be operating special event station CK6S from 5 to 15 July. This to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Calgary Stampede. The Calgary Stampede is an annual rodeo, exhibition and festival held every July in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. plans to use frequencies around 3.825, 7.180, 14.250, 21.320 and 28.475MHz. A special QSL card will be available through the QSL bureau or direct by following the CK6S/VE6AO QSL instructions on QRZ.com.

GB4TDF will be on the air to celebrating the 99th year of the Tour de France. Operation will be from Hancocks Radio Hut, Low Bentham, Lancaster, until 23 July. Main operators will be Barrie, G1JYB, Stephany, G1LAT and members of Sands Contest Group.

Radio amateurs from the Association of Radio Amateurs of the Emeraud Coast are celebrating the departure of the Tall Ships Race in St Malo from 2 to 8 July. TM0TSR will be on the air and there will be a live webcast of the event at www.tm0tsr.fr.

Cyprus has the EU presidency for the first time from 1 July until 31 December. The special event station P3EU will be active on the bands during this time. QSL via 5B4AHO.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is running its first ever mini DXpedition to the west coast of Scotland. They will be based in the Lochgilphead area until 7 July. It is intended to operate on all HF bands in a variety of modes, plus terrestrial and satellite VHF. They also hope to activate JURA, EU-008, and some nearby SOTA summits. Details are on the club website, www.g0nwm.com.

The Turkish Special Wireless Activity Team and GITRAD will be activating some new lighthouses for the Western Blacksea Lighthouses on the Air award. Today, 1 July, TC6BLH will be on the air at Sinop Boztepe Lighthouse. Details are at www.tcswat.org.

The DXCC entity of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, which is based in Rome, is to be activated from 1 to 4 July. The callsign to be used is 1A0C. The Sovereign Military Order of Malta is considered one of the rarest European DXCC entities. The preferred QSL route is via the Online QSL Request System.

Claudio, IS0/IZ0KRC, is staying on Sardinia until 15 July 15He works holiday style in SSB/CW/digital modes on the HF bands and 6m. QSL via his home callsign either via the bureau or direct.

Now the contest news

The Worked All Britain 144MHz Low Power Phone contest takes place today, 1 July, from 1000 to 1400UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial

number and WAB square. The maximum permitted power is 10 watts. Full details of the rules and log sheets may be obtained from the WAB website, www.worked-all-Britain.co.uk or from the Contest Manager, G3XKT, email aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

July is the final month of the 80m Club Championships and we begin with the CW session on the 2nd. Using CW only between 1900 and 2030UTC, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

Tuesday 3 July sees the 144MHz UK Activity Contest take place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

VHF NFD takes place over the weekend of 7 and 8 July. At one time there was only one section in VHF NFD, but over the years the number has gradually increased. These days there are six sections, including two for single-ops who stay at home and sweep the bands looking for the portable entrants. The number of teams, sweepers excluded, entering is almost the same now as it was 15 years ago, which is the earliest date of the results on the Contest Committee website. Running from 1400 to 1400UTC and using all modes on the 50 to 1296MHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Sunday 8th, the third leg of the 144MHz Backpackers Contest takes place. Most of it overlaps the final part of VHF NFD, but it continues for one hour after VHF NFD ends. The maximum power in this event is 3 watts. Running from 1100 to 1500UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 2012 IARU HF World Championships will take place during the second full weekend of July, beginning at 1200UTC on Saturday 14 July and ending at 1200 UTC on Sunday 15 July. The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU Member Society HQ stations, around the world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands using phone and or CW. The rules for the 2012 contest are available at www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 22nd to Thursday the 28th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday 29th of June.

For the first two days of the period only one small sunspot group was visible. Solar activity was very low on the 22nd and the 24th. However, from the 25th other groups appeared and several C class solar flares took place and on the 28th. Activity increased to moderate levels when an impulsive M2 solar flare took place. Solar flux levels increased every day, from 84 units on the 23rd, which is the lowest daily figure since last August, to 120 by the 28th. The average was 96 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 28th was 118 units, that's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels also increased and ended the period at B3.2 units. The average was B1.1 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day and the average was Ap 7 units. Solar wind data from the ACE

spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 340 and 520 kilometres per second. Particle densities were moderate most days, varying between 10 and 35 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz never varied more than minus and plus 8 nanoTeslas during the period. Es propagation took place between 28 and 70MHz daily, at times exceeding 100MHz, with very little propagation on 144MHz, for the UK anyway.

And finally the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to continue at low levels but there is a chance that activity could increase to moderate levels with an M class solar flare taking place on some days. Solar flux levels should increase and be around the 130 mark for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should be at active levels at first due to a recurring coronal hole but levels should become quiet around midweek. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 14MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 16MHz. The best time to try this path will be between midday and 1900 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days, also double-hop Sporadic-E is possible on 28MHz and 50MHz to the Middle East during any large openings.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

A DRM vacancy has arisen for Leicester and Rutland in Region 13. If you're dedicated to amateur radio, have a few hours to spare, and are prepared to travel within the area serving members and clubs, you could be a big help. Please contact Region 13 Regional Manager Jim Stevenson, G0EJQ, on 01522 532 604 or email g0ejq@live.co.uk.

Now for clubs that have several events this week. Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the WAB 144MHz QRP Contest on Sunday 1 July from 10am-2pm GMT. On Tuesday 3 it's the 144MHz UK Activity Contest at the shack from 20.00. Wednesday sees G5FZ on the air and preparation for VHF NFD, then on Thursday it's the repeater net on 145.725 from 20.00. There's further preparation for VHF NFD on Friday from 10am at the shack, then the Saturday Surgery from 9am also at the shack. VHF NFD is on Saturday and Sunday, all day, at the Brattleby Bomb Site. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Wythall Radio Club is holding a club net on 145.225MHz today, Sunday 1 July. Final preparations for VHF NFD are on Tuesday, and Saturday sees the start of the VHF NFD weekend event in Wythall Park. On Sunday 8 July there's another club net on 145.225MHz. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Coventry Amateur Radio Society is operating GX4WAB for the Torch Relay on Monday from the QTH of G8GMU. Friday sees a talk on SDR by Iain Young, G7III. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is holding a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. Tuesday sees a station meeting from 1900, to which all are welcome. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm, and on Friday there is a club net on GB3FR from 8pm. Also on Friday, from 1900 to 2230, the club is taking part in the third leg of the 2E0ITV Commemorative Multi-Mode Competition. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

South Birmingham Radio Society is making its final Field Day plans on Monday. There's a talking the main hall on Wednesday, then aerial and cable testing on Thursday. The trailer gets loaded on Friday, in advance of the weekend operating for VHF Field Day. Helpers are very welcome. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and putting GX3ZME on the air on Wednesday. Saturday at 10.30 sees the start of the VHF NFD weekend, operating from Long Mynd. On Sunday 8 July they are supporting Lions Day on Wheels with 2E0CLR. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 2 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk on a bargain basement approach to SDR by Steve, G4HFT. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 2 July Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is holding a general discussion and CW tuition. Details from Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday 2 July Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is holding its 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 3 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 3 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a radio ramble from 7.30pm. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 3 July Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is running a club net on 145.350MHz FM from 7.30pm. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 4 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes, a general meeting is on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Saturday 7 July Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB VHF NFD at Burton Dassett Country Park. Any club or individual is welcome to attend and operate, where applicable, and any help with the setting up etc would be gratefully received. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731 544.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CC CW on Monday, then there's an activity night on Wednesday. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening and taking part in the RSGB 80m Contest CW on Monday. Saturday sees the start of the weekend event for RSGB VHF National Field Day, with the club active as G2AS/P. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Thursday Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk on HF propagation by Dave, G0EVA, then on Saturday the Intermediate and Advanced Licence courses continue from 13:30. Details from Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday 3 July Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a Foundation exam. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday 3 July Otley Amateur Radio Society is holding Morse classes and taking part in the 144MHz UKAC Contest. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Tuesday 3 July Stockport Radio Society is having an introduction to digital voice on HF & commercial DRM reception by Alex Emmerson, M3ASQ. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 4 July Denby Dale Radio Club is having part 2 of the talk by Andy, M0GGR, on his visit to Asiatic Russia. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 4 July Goole Radio and Electronics Society is preparing for VHF NFD. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Thursday 5 July Ripon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Details from Rob Hall, M0RBY, on 07876 085 631.

On Thursday 5 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on metalwork for home construction by Ged, G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 3 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 5 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 6 July West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having a club night. Details from Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

On Saturday 7 July Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club commences its operations for VHF Field Day. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Sunday 1 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is running the Barford Radio Rally at Barford Village Hall. On Monday they are taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship CW. Wednesday sees a club discussion on the pros and cons of contesting and why you do or do not take part. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its monthly breakfast meeting at 9am on Sunday 1 July at The Goring Caf&#65533;. On Monday it's the 80m club championship CW contest, and Wednesday sees a talk by Adrian, G4LRP, on DF hunting for work and pleasure. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 20.00 to 21.00 on Monday. On Wednesday there's a slow CW net from 13.00 to 14.00 on 3.570MHz. Friday sees a CW net from 13.00 to 14.00 on 3.570MHz, followed by a 2m net from 20.00 to 21.00. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a table top sale at MASC from 7.30mm on Tuesday, overseen by Colin Page, G0TRM. On Saturday 7 they are operating GX4WAB as the Olympic Torch is carried through the City of Chelmsford. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday and Saturday. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Anglian Water Leighton Linslade Treatment Facility on Thursday, then Saturday sees the start of the VHF National Field Day weekend. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is preparing for NFD on Friday, then commences operations for this weekend event on Saturday. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 2 July Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society Club is holding a barbecue. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 2 July Burnham Beeches Radio Club is getting ready for the McMichael Rally. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 2 July Southdown Amateur Radio Society is holding a barbecue at the QTH of G3ZQB. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 2 July Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding a barbecue. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 3 July Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on building on the Foundation licence. Details from Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday 4 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 4 July Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Thursday 5 July Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club night, with CW practice from 8:30 - 9pm. Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday 5 July Cray Valley Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 5 July Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 5 July Horsham Amateur Radio Club is running a photo quiz with G4LRP. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 5 July Vange ARS is holding a junk sale. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 6 July Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on bhi DSP noise cancellation by Graham Somerville, M0ZGS. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 6 July Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is holding its AGM. Details are on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 7 July Darenth Valley Radio Society commences its weekend event for VHF Field Day. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Saturday 7 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is making its first visit of 2012 to Aylmers Farm, which coincides with the Olympic Torch Relay passing through Harlow. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its 80m net on Monday at 19.45, the 2m net on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

Cornish Radio Amateur Club has its main club meeting on Thursday. Saturday sees setting up for the 49th Penair School rally, which takes place on Sunday 8 July. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a briefing for VHF NFD on Thursday, and commences operations for the weekend event on Saturday. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 2 July Riviera Amateur Radio Club is holding a portable RV with MX0RIV on the air. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, via email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 2 July Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 4 July Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is having illustrated talks by members about their shacks. More information from Peter Robinson, G0EYR, on 07811 635 819.

On Thursday 5 July Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Thursday 5 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night and preparing for VHF NFD. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 5 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 6 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night plus an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 7 July Plymouth Radio Club commences its weekend event for RSGB Field Day. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Monday 2 July Dragon Amateur Radio Club is3 having a talk on an audio synthesiser project by Les Hayward, MW0SEC. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 3 July Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is having a rig check evening with GW4RVA. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday 3 July Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding a quiz night. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

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1143. Re: once therewas a newgruop here but...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 14:42:49 UTC
From: UberJacker <nohijack@houston-hunks.com>
Message-ID: <eaa70495-1bef-4961-8d04-d0f39343b006@nw7g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2610
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Jul 2, 8:52 am, mark morgan <konst...@hotmail.com> wrote:
> now there is nothing but panix based spam
>

The spam is mostly taken from web sites, meaning that people could go to the original sites to read it instead of coming here. Obviously, such Panix posts are pure noise, although it remains to be seen if they are spam. They certainly are spurious and useless.

But, remember, this is Usenet and Usenet is on its last legs. What happens here has become totally irrelevant to the greater scheme of things. Europe just shut down its largest Usenet server, and the U.S. has shut down most if its major news servers too. Usenet is going the way of Gopher. Gopher servers still are available, but almost no one uses them. So it will be with Usenet.

1144. Re: once therewas a newgruop here but...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 15:23:18 UTC
From: Lordgnome <les@nospam.null>
Message-ID: <jssed7ko1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2611
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"UberJacker" <nohijack@houston-hunks.com> wrote in message
news:eaa70495-1bef-4961-8d04-d0f39343b006@nw7g2000pbb.googlegroups.com...
Usenet is going the
way of Gopher. Gopher servers still are available, but almost no one
uses them. So it will be with Usenet.

Given that it is an easy, working and uncomplicated system, you may be
right. Anything which is established, works well and is liked is a prime
target for wheel-reinventors and "upgraders".

Les.

1145. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 25 June - 01 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 15:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120702153001.F257633C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2612
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
25 June - 01 July 2012

Solar activity was low to moderate during the week. The first three days of the period were marked by low level C-class x-ray flares, the largest of which was a C4/Sf from Region 1512 (S16, L=264, class/area Dki/290 on 29 June) on 28 June at 0452Z. Region 1512 was soon overshadowed by Region 1513 (N16, L=218, class/area Dao/120 on 01 July), which produced an impulsive M2/1b flare on 28 June at 1612Z. Subsequently, Region 1513 produced at least one impulsive M-class event each day for the remainder of the week, the largest of which was an M2.8/Sb on 01 July at 1918Z. While Region 1513 was the most prolific flare producer of the regions on the disk, it was dwarfed in area by Region 1515 (S17, L=204, class/area Ekc/850 on 01 July). Region 1515 appeared on the disk on 27 June and by 01 July had quadrupled in area. Both Regions 1513 and 1515 ended the week with beta-gamma magnetic characteristics. There were several CMEs observed during the week, however none were determined to be geoeffective.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit began the period at high levels before decreasing to moderate levels early on 25 June. Moderate levels continued throughout the week, increasing to high levels on 01 July at 1320Z.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to active levels, with isolated minor to major storm levels observed at high latitudes late in the period. The geomagnetic field was at mostly quiet levels from 25-29 June. By 2100Z on 29 June, the phi angle at the ACE spacecraft switched from positive to negative polarity, indicating the arrival of the corotating interaction region. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft, which had ranged between 350-500 km/s during the week, increased to 700 km/s by 30/1800Z as a coronal hole high speed stream (CH-HSS) became geoeffective. Concurrently, the Bz component

of the interplanetary magnetic field turned southward, eventually dipping to -10 to -12 nT while Bt reached 14nT before decreasing to 7 nT by mid-day on 30 June. The geomagnetic field responded with unsettled to active levels for the remainder of the period. Minor to major storm levels were observed at high latitudes during 30 June-01 July.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
02 July - 28 July 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels, with more M-class events from Regions 1513 and 1515 likely through 09 - 10 July.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels through 08 July and from 17-21 July.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin at unsettled to active levels, decreasing to mostly quiet to unsettled levels after 03 July until another CH-HSS becomes geoeffective on 27 - 28 July.

1146. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 2 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 16:33:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a4fd8f7404c3db5c8a@google.com>
Source record: 2613
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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VIDEO: First test on Ultrabeam 6-40 m antenna

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 02:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352258-VIDEO-First-test-on-Ultrabeam-6-40-m-antenna&goto=newpost

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HamRadioNow Episode 14: A Simple Station (and a Complex Contest)

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 04:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352198-HamRadioNow-Episode-14-A-Simple-Station-(and-a-Complex-Contest)&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 14: Assembling a Simple Station,

and a Field Day Antenna Launching Contest

When most ham radio television shows feature a ham station, it's going to be

one of the monster-mega-stations. They're cool and impressive. And we'll

never own one! Viewers keep asking for a simple station and antenna they

can assemble themselves. So in this episode, Jeff and Gary put together

a Field Day GOTA station with a simple all-band dipole, tuner, transceiver
and

power supply that you can use as a template for your own home station.

In the middle of all that, we take a few minutes to watch an Antenna
Launching

Contest, with giant slingshots and air-powered 'potato guns' competing for

distance and accuracy. And one of them even hangs a real dipole!

Watch this episode at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

to support these programs, visit

HAMRADIONOW.tv

and 'click the pig'

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Dave, NK7Z reviews eQSL

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 07:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352169-Dave-NK7Z-reviews-eQSL&goto=newpost

Hello,

My review of the eQSL QSL service is not up at:

http://www.nk7z.net

Thanks,

Dave

NK7Z

1147. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 2 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 16:36:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517ca9a7bf85804c3db6496@google.com>
Source record: 2614
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Civil War hero Johnny Clem Day: August 11, 2012 sponsored by COOKEN ARC
Newark. OH.

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 01:23 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352252-Civil-War-hero-Johnny-Clem-Day-August-11-2012-sponsored-by-COOKEN-ARC-Newark-OH&goto=newpost

Johnny Clem was born in Newark, OH and served in the army as a mere child, eventually moving up to the rank of General. His amazing story is celebrated in part by the Licking County Historical Society, and this special event station, W8TNX. See the LCHS website for more information.

Listen for us on or around 7.170 or 7.230 mhz from 10 am til 4 pm on Saturday, August 11, 2012. This is an annual tribute to the boy who became a man, and then a U.S. Army General.

QSLs:

Your may self-print your own special 8.5 x 11" certificate, once the logs have been posted.

eQSLs are available via LOTW.

Paper QSLs can be obtained by sending yours together with an sase to W3HKK.

Hope to hear you on August 11th!

The Gang at COOKEN.

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13 colonies special event extended

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 04:53 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352200-13-colonies-special-event-extended&goto=newpost

Due to the strong storms that hit many states recently, leaving millions without power, the 13 Colonies Special Event will be extended for one full week. We will end Saturday night July 7th at 0400 or midnight eastern. Many of our operators were effected by this storm and are temporarily off the air and thousands of hams that want to participate that cannot at present, will have the opportunity all this week. We have operators who lost towers and are working mobile from their cars. This will afford time to set up

replacement antennas. We all wish those folks affected, the best of luck and a quick recovery.

73-Ken Villone

KU2US

Event Manager

1148. Re: once therewas a newgruop here but...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 18:22:34 UTC
From: "G4DHJ in Scarborough ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jssot6$5fa$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2615
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

>But, remember, this is Usenet and Usenet is on its last legs.

well I tell you what.....I like usenet...all the other forums I have tried
are all crap in the way they work...and are obviously for kiddy winks and
their mobiles ....long live usenet...

1149. Re: once therewas a newgruop here but...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 18:23:15 UTC
From: "G4DHJ in Scarborough ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jssp0o$5vd$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2616
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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"Lordgnome" <les@nospam.null> wrote in message
news:jssed7$ko$1@dont-email.me...
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> "UberJacker" <nohijack@houston-hunks.com> wrote in message
> news:eaa70495-1bef-4961-8d04-d0f39343b006@nw7g2000pbb.googlegroups.com...
> Usenet is going the
> way of Gopher. Gopher servers still are available, but almost no one
> uses them. So it will be with Usenet.
>
> Given that it is an easy, working and uncomplicated system, you may be
> right. Anything which is established, works well and is liked is a prime
> target for wheel-reinventors and "upgraders".
>
> Les.
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spot on .......
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1150. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1068.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 18:52:25 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <563459.71458.qm@smtp114.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2617
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1068.1
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July 2, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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ANNOUNCEMENT [edited]

PT0S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks

June 30, 2012, Sao Paulo and Miami

The Araucaria DX Group, in conjunction with the TX3A Team, is pleased to announce a DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks, PY0S, under the callsign PT0S. The DXpedition will take place in the late November to mid December, 2012 time frame. The actual dates will depend on weather conditions and will be announced on the PT0S website, <PT0S.com>.

There has been an official ban on Amateur Radio activities from PY0S. Although the ban, which was created for environmental and safety reasons, remains in place, the Araucaria DX Group was given a special permit by Brazil's SECIRM (Secretaria da Comissao Interministerial para Os Recursos do Mar), the Brazilian Navy, Ministry of Environment and LABRE to conduct a two week long operation.

The operation will have a strong low band focus. There will be a dedicated 160 meter station operating on 160 meters from sunset to sunrise. A second station will be on 80 and 40 meters at night. During the day we will operate two stations on the higher bands -- and 6 meters -- based on conditions. RTTY will also be supported.

The DXpedition's goal is to give this rare and difficult entity to as many amateurs as possible, taking maximum advantage of this unique opportunity. The group will be using newly designed RX antennas and receiving equipment to allow small and QRP stations to work PT0S on all bands, but especially on 80 and 160 meters. For operating procedures and advice on how to maximize your chances of getting into the log, please visit <PT0S.com>.

All QSOs will be loaded onto LoTW within 36 hours of taking place.

Operators will be Fred Carvalho/PY2XB (PY2XB/PY0F, PQ0F, VP5/PY2XB, 8P9XB), Peter Sprengel/PP5XX/PY5CC (PY0FM, PW0T, HK0NA). Tomi Pekarik/HA7RY and George Wallner/AA7JV. Due to environmental considerations, we have been limited to four operators.

For further information and regular news updates please go to <PT0S.com>.

About:

The Araucaria DX Group

The Araucaria DX Group (GRUPO ARAUC&#65533;RIA DE DX) was formed in the 70s by mostly Brazilian amateur radio enthusiasts. Today it has become a multi-national group focused on contesting and dxing. The group currently has 340 members, of which about 100 are from outside Brazil. The group includes 15 top of Honor Roll and several Contest Hall of Fame members. For details go to: http://www.araucariadx.com

TX3A Team:

The TX3A Team of HA7RY and AA7JV have conducted a number of two-man DX-peditions to Chesterfield Reef (TX3A), Mellish Reef (VK9GMW), Serrana Bank - Bajo Nouveo (5K0T) and Willis Islets (VK9WWI). The team focuses on putting difficult places on the air, especially on the low bands.

Background on St. Peter and St. Paul Archipelago

Due to their strategic importance, the Rocks of St. Peter and St. Paul are treated differently by the Brazilian government to other islands in its territory. The Secretariat of the Interministerial Commission for Sea Resources (SECIRM) manages the archipelago in a manner that maximizes protection of national and environmental interests in the region. The infrastructure of the archipelago is very complex. Researchers take turns constantly on the research station located on Belmonte islet. They conduct research in areas of geology, biology, oceanography, meteorology and other academic and national interest. The difficulties of access in terms of almost 1,000 km distance that separates this small part of the country from the continent, the absence of drinking water, the frequent earth-quakes; are just some of the difficulties encountered by the Brazilian government in managing the site.

As a consequence of several meetings with the Brazilian authorities, the organizers of the Expedition, represented by the Araucaria Dx Group's Chairman (PY5EG Atilano de Oms), had the opportunity to show the relevance of ham radio activity to the communications community as well how the DX-pedition intends to cooperate to meet the requirements of the occupation of the archipelago and demonstrate its compatibility with the ongoing activities. The Brazilian Navy through SECIRM is giving total support to the expedition.

Due the fact that the archipelago is a very important natural Brazilian reserve, a special permit from Ministry of Environment (ICMBIOS) has been

issued (NR 01-2012).

The expedition has also received a fundamental support from the Brazilian Amateur Radio League LABRE, as well from ANATEL (Agencia Nacional de Telecomunica��es). A special call has been assigned PT0S. During all contacts
with the Brazilian entities, we emphasized the importance of the work done by radio amateurs and reciprocity that could derive from this understanding. The operation is aimed not only at bringing this rare location to the DX community, but also to demonstrate that Amateur Radio is in fact totally compatible with the scientific and environmentally sensitive nature of the St. Peter and St. Paul Archipelago.

The Araucaria DX Group greatly appreciates the understanding and support of all its friends and Brazilian authorities.

Additional Background:

The archipelago of St. Peter and St. Paul is a group of small rocky islands and rocky which is situated in the central equatorial Atlantic Ocean, lying 627 km from the archipelago of Fernando de Noronha, 986 km the nearest point on the mainland and 1010 km from Natal, in Rio Grande do Norte. It was declared as part of the Brazilian territory, according to IBGE belonging to the state of Pernambuco, despite being closer to the state of Rio Grande do Norte. In 1998 a scientific station was opened on the island Belmonte, initiating the program Archipelago of S�o Pedro and S�o Paulo (Proarquip�lago) administered by the Secretariat of the Interministerial Commission for Sea Resources (SECIRM). The permanent presence of scientists in scientific station is required to prove the livability in the archipelago, which is seen as crucial for its international recognition as the archipelago as Brazilian territory.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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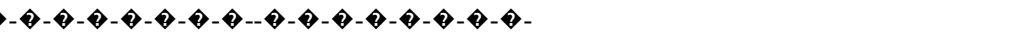
-  -

Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org --or-- kb8nw@arrl.net
Editor of the "Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin" (OPDX - "DXer's Tool of Excellence")
President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
DX Chairman for the "Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society
ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1151. Re: once therewas a newgruop here but...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 19:52:26 UTC
From: Brian Howie <brian@nospam.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <XqUtrpD6vf8PFw2H@b-howie.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2618
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message
<eaa70495-1bef-4961-8d04-d0f39343b006@nw7g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>,
UberJacker <nohijack@houston-hunks.com> writes
> Europe just shut down its largest Usenet server, and the U.S.
>has shut down most if its major news servers too.

If it was NSE last November, they shut down because they couldn't police
copyrighted material put on their server , risking a 50,000 Euro per day
fine.

I don't know about the USA. Certainly the non -binary groups are getting
very quiet. UK USENET are about to remove uk.media.newspapers, for
lack of activity.More will follow I expect.

Brian

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Brian Howie

1152. Re: once therewas a newgruop here but...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 21:38:38 UTC
From: Bert <bert@iphouse.com>
Message-ID: <XnsA084A94FBF551VeebleFetzer@216.250.188.140>
Source record: 2619
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In news:XqUtrpD6vf8PFw2H@b-howie.demon.co.uk Brian Howie
<brian@nospam.demon.co.uk> wrote:

> UK USENET are about to remove uk.media.newspapers, for
> lack of activity.More will follow I expect.

Why bother removing a newsgroup for a temporary lack of activity? It's
not as if an idle group is consuming much in the way of resources.

Of course, removing it guarantees that there won't be any future return
of activity and provide an excuse to shut the system down entirely.

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Bert Hyman W0RSB St. Paul, MN bert@iphouse.com

1153. eHam.net News for Monday 2 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-02 22:39:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f9f5801bd04c3e07768@google.com>
Source record: 2620
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateurs Challenge Broadband-over-Power-Line Rules:

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 05:25 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28570

You have to admire their persistence. ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio, has yet again challenged the FCC's rules for Bgroadband-over-Power-Line (BPL), just as it has at every opportunity since the FCC first proposed BPL back in 2003. As you would expect from the name, BPL transmits broadband over the same lines that carry electric power along the street, siphoning off signals to houses and apartments along the way. Its proponents once hailed BPL as the "third wire" into the home for broadband service, the other two being the cable TV and telephone (or FIOS) connections. But in recent years BPL providers have scaled back their ambitions. Now they mostly help out electric utilities with internal communications for meter reading, load management, and the like. Few consumers receive their Internet service via BPL. But ARRL has not scaled back its opposition. Some BPL systems, as a by-product, generate radio signals on frequencies that overlap with the amateur radio bands. Everyone agrees that interference into amateur radio receivers is at least a theoretical possibility. But there is less agreement on how much interference BPL systems actually cause. The amateurs claim that a BPL system amounts to a city-sized antenna that blankets the amateur bands with interference. BPL providers counter that any interference comes from isolated equipment mounted on widely spaced power poles, and can be identified and adjusted if necessary. The FCC rules on BPL include unprecedented protections for amateur radio, including a requirement that BPL operators turn down power on equipment that causes interference, and if necessary, turn it off completely. But the amateurs want more: they want BPL to reduce power in all amateur bands, all the time, by a factor of at least 300. ARRL opposed the FCC's initial Notice of Inquiry on BPL; it opposed the subsequent Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; and it requested reconsideration of the initial rules. Unsatisfied with the FCC's response, ARRL took the FCC to court, specifically, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. The court sided with the FCC on the major issues, but told the FCC to take a second look at some of the technical findings. (More details on the case are here.) The FCC duly requested public comment on those technical findings, and agreed to some small adjustments to the rules.

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HamRadioNow: A Simple Ham Station:

Posted: 30 Jun 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28569

When any of the ham radio television programs showcases a ham station, most likely they choose one of the monster-mega-stations. They're cool. They're impressive. And you and I will never own one! Viewers keep asking for an example of a simple station they can assemble. And that's what we've done in this episode.
Jeff AC4ZO and Gary KN4AQ put together a simple Field Day GOTA station : Transceiver, Power Supply, Tuner, Antenna : that you can use as a template for your own basic station. In the middle of that, we take time out to watch a unique antenna launching contest at Field Day. Hams with giant slingshots and air-powered 'Potato Guns' compete for distance and accuracy. And some of them even hang antennas.

1154. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-03 01:52:21 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <4638c965-56ec-4c6f-a698-c0b2428399f4@s6g2000pbi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2621

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1155. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 2 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-03 02:16:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ff00ee2904c3e37f16@google.com>
Source record: 2622
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio operators have Field Day - Warren Reporter

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 08:29 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG2SP4GMKuKl3QoVmdujVd90iO3WA&url=http://www.nj.com/warrenreporter/index.ssf/2012/07/amateur_radio_operators_have_f.html

Warren Reporter
Amateur radio operators have Field Day
Warren Reporter
Every year on the last full weekend in June, Amateur Radio Operators, sometimes known as "HAMS" take to the field to demonstrate their emergency communications capabilities and promote public awareness of Amateur Radio. This event, called "Field Day" ...

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Amateur radio operators test skills at field day - Houston Herald

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 08:48 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF8uVHz4r35A-wq1MHYK2It3HsD2w&url=http://www.houstonherald.com/news/amateur-radio-operators-test-skills-at-field-day/article_9208c1dc-c45b-11e1-bde9-001a4bcf887a.html

Amateur radio operators test skills at field day
Houston Herald
Amateur radio operators have provided emergency communications during many disasters when electricity as well as normal telephone, cell phone and Internet communications are down. Ham radio operators replaced phone and Internet communications in ...

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California pirate pays extra for not answering door - Radio & Television Business Report

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 01:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEMiamvfT4pgvF4U14tfYeweI0rLw&url=http://rbr.com/california-pirate-pays-extra-for-not-answering-door/

Radio & Television Business Report
California pirate pays extra for not answering door
Radio & Television Business Report
And since he is the licensee of Amateur Radio Station KF6EGI, the FCC said he should have been aware of the requirement to make his equipment available for FCC inspection on request. Thats why the FCC came down a

little extra hard on Ragan.
Alleged California FM Pirate Faces $17000 FineAll Access Music Group

all 2 news articles

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Tyler State Park Hosts Amateur Radio Field Day Activities - Patch.com

Posted: 27 Jun 2012 11:38 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFzKLNbGr3GLZxM1fhV6_9rUJO2dQ&url=http://northampton.patch.com/articles/tyler-state-park-hosts-amateur-radio-field-day-activities

Tyler State Park Hosts Amateur Radio Field Day Activities
Patch.com
An amateur radio weekend with the Penn Wireless Association HAM radio club took place at Tyler State Park.

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Ham radio operators hit the airwaves in Mamaroneck - The Journal News | LoHud.com

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 02:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF4z6mi_lMkFCO30Hqx1ZRJdGGAhA&url=http://www.lohud.com/article/20120624/NEWS02/120624001/Ham-radio-operators-hit-airwaves-Mamaroneck

Ham radio operators hit the airwaves in Mamaroneck
The Journal News | LoHud.com
Norm Krajkowski of North White Plains, right, along with Shaji Kuriakose of Congers, attempt to make contact with other ham radio operators during a 24-hour mock disaster exercise at Harbor Island Park in Mamaroneck. Ham radio operators across the ...
Ham Radio Users Gather For Contest In MamaroneckThe Daily Voice

all 4 news articles

1156. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 3 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-03 11:05:30 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8ff24a011f3a9a04c3eae4bf@google.com>
Source record: 2623
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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PT0S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IH7CzOlJBvM/pt0s_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Araucaria DX Group, in conjunction with the TX3A Team, is pleased to
announce a DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks, PY0S, under the
callsign PT0S

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GB2012MV - Manchester Venue

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/78iDhqwdo0c/gb2012mv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Warrington Amateur Radio Club in partnership with West Manchester Radio
Club and South Manchester Radio and Computing Club are pleased to announce
the granting of a license for both the 2012 Olympics and Paralympic games
by OFCOM

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GB2VET Veterans special event station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j081AkE6cNw/gb2vet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB2VET - the special event station celebrating the army, navy and air force
reunion - is coming up again, which is the 10th Anniversary, at the end of
July

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Youngest Mountain Goat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mPu2lNjt5Pg/youngest_mountain_goat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The youngest person in the UK, and probably further afield, to have
achieved Mountain Goat status in the Summits on the Air (SOTA) awards
programme is Jimmy Read M3EYP

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New OSCAR-7 DX record

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mQifZ-CDxJQ/new_oscar7_dx_record.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wyatt AC0RA and Bill OM3BD have broken the AMSAT-OSCAR 7 (AO-7) long distance (DX) record set in 2010

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YouView and PLT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HmFvRNWHpvw/youview_and_plt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Reg Hardware site carries an article that says YouView trail support documents suggest the use of powerline Ethernet devices (PLT)

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Amateur Radio Newsline celebrates 35th anniversary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_or3MD-7bbk/amateur_radio_newsline_celebrates_35th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

America's most highly-respected ham radio news service is marking something of a milestone. With this week's broadcast, Amateur Radio Newsline has just celebrated its 35th anniversary

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Special callsign to celebrate Telstar

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QPbhXQTKsn8/special_callsign_to_celebrate_telstar.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A celebration of the world’s first telecommunications satellite will take place on 7 July. This is when the Radio Adventurers of Maine activate the callsign W1A to commemorate the first messages through Telstar

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Radio/Electronic Table Top Sale

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/00j6sPlbPSg/radio_electronic_table_top_sale.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Today Tuesday, July 3, the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) is holding a Radio and Electronics Table Top Sale

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Solar flare illuminates Earth on July 2

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rF6iBKnD3Uo/solar_flare_illuminates_earth_on_july_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Space Weather reports that a strong solar flare erupted on July 2

1157. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 3 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-03 16:08:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234ce77aa1d104c3ef1efb@google.com>
Source record: 2624
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-183 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 12:29 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352373-ANS-183-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor at amsat.org

Remember to send in your 2012 AMSAT Field Day Satellite Summary Sheet to kk5do@amsat.org or kk5do@arrl.net by July 9, 2012. Field Day Rules and Sheets are linked at http://www.amsat.org.

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* Satellite Shorts From All Over

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

July 1, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

BID: $ANS-183.01

AMSAT Journal In the Mail

AMSAT Journal Editor Ed Long, WA4SWJ said this week the next issue of the Journal is at the print shop and will be in the mail soon.

With this issue we note that Ed is retiring as the Journal editor. Doug Loughmiller, W5BL will take over the reins of the Journal. Ed, thank-you for your years of hard work on the Journal! Doug, we look forward to working with you!

There has been a delay in publishing the Journal. AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW noted, "The reasons for not getting the Journal published on time is not due to the transition of editors, but due to lack of materials for publication. Please read the associated call for articles news item in this ANS ... and send Doug your materals!"

Here are some of the features of the upcoming Journal:

Satellite Export Controls - Progress ReportFUNcube Project UpdateSpotlight on VUSAT OSCAR 52 (VO-52)2011 AMSAT BoD Meeting, Symposium & General Meeting AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, San Jose, CAAMSAT Activities at the 2012 Greater Houston HamfestMuseum Ships Weekend 2012 - A Record Breaking YearUpdates of AMSAT's on-going development of launch opportunities including Fox-1 aiming for early 2013.

AMSAT co-development and acceptance into three satellite programs in the NASA Edison small satellite flight demonstration mission.AMSAT partnership with Auburn University and The University of Alabama on a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant application.

Keep an eye on your mailbox for your next issue of the AMSAT Journal!

[ANS thanks Ed Long, WA4SWJ; and Barry Baines, WD4ASW for the above information]

Call For Articles - Author's Guide to the AMSAT Journal

You are invited to share your amateur radio in space ideas and experiences with fellow satellite operators.

The AMSAT Journal, a bi-monthly publication of AMSAT-North America, brings you the latest information in satellite mission planning, satellite-related hardware design and construction, satellite-related software design and

implementation, and amateur radio earth station construction.

AMSAT Journal Editor Doug Loughmiller, W5BL noted, "Publishing a quality publication is hard work, much like building a satellite itself, it requires a team working together to insure that the publication reaches the membership in a timely manner which contains informative and useful content. In my view the Journal should address a number of topics on a regular basis. I would like to enlist the services of individuals who would be willing to serve as a column coordinators for each of the topics", including:

Organizational newsSpacecraft Engineering TopicsSpacecraft Operational Topics (Command and Control, mission analysis etc.)Spacecraft Utilization (What's on the birds, what are we learning?)Hands-On Projects for ground station applicationsEducational NewsAmateur Radio AstronomyEMEHigh Altitude Balloon FlightsGeneral Space Science Topics.

Your articles are especially welcome. Simply type out your ideas on your computer and send them in. Your article will be "cleaned up" and formatted for you during the editorial processing of the AMSAT Journal. Send your article to the AMSAT Journal e-mail box via: journal@amsat.org.

There is no need to do any special formatting on your submission because the final layout format is driven by the magazine's type setting software. All you need to include is:

Your text in MS-Word or plain text formatGraphics in as high pixel resolution possible saved in separate files (jpg, gif, tiff).

An MS-Word file with embedded graphics is the most difficult format to typeset. Separate text and graphics files work the best.

If you have any questions, or need some help feel free to contact the editor at the AMSAT Journal at journal@amsat.org.

The AMSAT Journal is looking forward to hearing from you soon!

[ANS thanks Ed Long, WA4SWJ; Doug Loughmiller, W5BL; and Barry Baines, WD4ASW for the above information]

13 Original Colonies Special Event Includes Satellite Operations

The 2012 13 Colonies Special Event has been operating since July 1 but there is still time to work them since they plan to be on the air through July 5. Operators will be on the satellites again this year for the special event.

Recognizing that the 4th comes in the middle of the week (Wednesday) please keep in mind that there may be fewer operators available on the work days so, PLEASE BE PATIENT!

Please send your QSL requests directly to each operator.

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NY K2A WB2OQQ Pete

VA K2B NL7VX Steve

RI K2C N1MIW Larry

CT K2D WA8SME Mark

DE K2E KB2M Jeff (SSB Birds)

DE K2E W3FIS Paul (FM Birds)

MD K2F WA3SWJ Bruce

GA K2G N3TL Tim

MA K2H KB1PVH Dave

NJ K2I KB2M Jeff (Here when not in DE)

NC K2J W4MPS Marc

NH K2K NE1H Bob

SC K2L K4YYL Art

PA K2M KB3WSW Elizabeth

See the 13 Colonies satellite page with the list of operators and additional information. The main 13 Colonies web page can be accessed here.

[ANS thanks Dave, KB1PVH for the above information]

Canada Scouts ARISS Contact Successful

On Saturday, June 23, Scouts Canada, Nova Scotia Council in Dartmouth, Canada called on-orbit astronaut André Kuipers, PI9ISS during an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact via telebridge station VK5ZAI in Australia.

The contact was held as part of a space event with Scouts of various ages in conjunction with groups earning their Science Badge awards. Over 150 were in attendance. The contact was Webcast and the presentation was captured for retransmission by Aliant IPTV Atlantic during July/August and for development of an edited CD for distribution to

interested parties.

There was excellent media coverage including 3 television stations and two newspapers. A 20 minute radio interview was held with "The Rick Howe Show" on Friday, June 22 on Amateur Radio - ARISS and Field Day Operations. In addition, an article is being prepared for periodcals: Royal Astronomical Society, Halifax Public Libraries, Radio

Amateurs of Canada.

[ANS thanks the ARISS Status Report for June 25, 2012 for the above information]

CQ Magazine Worked All Zones - Satellite Award

Sponsored by CQ Magazine, the Worked All Zones award program is one of the longest running in Ham Radio, having its start prior to WWII. CQ Magazine explains the details of this award on their website:

The WAZ program, while it involves the use of "DX Entities", does not rely on any particular "Entity's" status as a country. The WAZ award is geographically focused, which is where it's challenge lies. The CQ Worked All Zones (WAZ) Award and its variations are issued to any licensed amateur station presenting proof of contact with the appropriate number of CQ zones of the world. (The CQ Zones map and additional zone information is posted on the CQ web site.)

The Worked All Zones - Satellite award has been available for contacts made since January 1, 1989. While opportunities to contact many of the DX zones were more numerous when HEO satellites were active, your confirmed contacts back to 1989 would qualify you to apply for this award now.

The Satellite Award requires that the applicant submit QSL cards from at least 25 zones. Endorsement stickers

are issued at the 30, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40 zone levels. The Satellite Award is not band specific, you may apply QSO's from multiple bands. The Satellite WAZ certificate will indicate the number of zones that are confirmed when the applicant first applies for the award.

Applications and Cards for this award must be submitted to the WAZ Award Manager, Floyd Gerald, N5FG (n5fg@cq-amateur-radio.com)

You can find all of the details of the CQ Magazine Worked All Zone Award on-line.

[ANS thanks CQ Magazine WAZ Award Manager Floyd Gerald, N5FG for the above information]

Chinese Amateur Satellite Group Shows CAS-2 Satellite Model

This year the Chinese Amateur Satellite Group (CAMSAT) was a special guest in the AMSAT-DL booth at the HamRadio Fair in Friedrichshafen ☐ HamRadio 2012.

CAMSAT had a model of their next amateur radio satellite, CAS-2 which is planned as the next generation after their first CAS-1 (aka XW-1, HO-68) satellite. HO-68 carried a linear transponder and proved very popular with radio amateurs world-wide.

The May 20 announcement came to light that CAMSAT and students at the Qian Youth Aerospace Academy are now working on the next satellite CAS-2. The announcement indicates that two separate CAS-2 satellite structures are being built ☐ A1 and A2.

The launch of CAS-2 is planned for 2014 into a 1000 km orbit with an inclination of 12 degrees. This orbit means it may not be receivable in those countries at high latitudes.

It is understood that most of the room in CAS-2 will be taken up by the primary (non-amateur) payload and it has only been possible to fit a single channel FM amateur transponder in the satellite.

Further information in Google English can be seen online.

A photo on the AMSAT-UK web shows Fan

Shaomin, BA1EO with the CAS-2 model.

A group picture taken at Ham Radio 2012 in Friedrichshafen and a picture of the engraved glass plaque that CAMSAT presented to AMSAT-DL can be seen on the AMSAT Deutschland Facebook page.

[ANS thanks CAMSAT, AMSAT-DL, and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Soyuz to Fly 3 Hams Up, 3 Hams Staying, 3 Hams Coming Home

Three Expedition 32 crew members to the International Space Station are scheduled to launch aboard the Soyuz TMA-05M from the Baikonur Space Center in Kazakhstan on July 15.

The Expedition 32 crew members are NASA astronaut Suni Williams KD5PLB, cosmonaut Yury Malenchenko RK3DUP and Japanese astronaut Aki Hoshide KE5DNI. The trio has been passing tests at the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center in Star City, outside of Moscow.

They will join Expedition 31's NASA astronaut Joe Acaba KE5DAR and cosmonauts Gennady Padalka RN3DT and Sergei Revin RN3BS on board the orbiting outpost.

Meanwhile, fellow Expedition 31 members cosmonaut Oleg Kononenko RN3DX and NASA's Don Pettit KD5MDT and Andre Kuipers PI9ISS returned to Earth on July 1.

A back-up ISS crew was also confirmed on Friday. It includes Canadian astronaut Chris Hadfield KC5RNJ/VA3OOG, NASA astronaut Tom Marshburn KE5HOC and cosmonaut Roman Romanenko (no call at this time).

[ANS thanks SpaceDaily.com for the above information]

KiwiSAT Hoping for Launch mid-2013

News from New Zealand, received via AMSAT-UK reports the development of the amateur radio satellite KiwiSAT is completed and it is now ready for a LEO launch. See: http://www.uk.amsat.org/8686.

KiwiSat carries a 435 or 1268 MHz to 145 MHz linear transponder for SSB/CW operation:

Transmit Power: 2 Watts PEP.Beacon frequency: 145.885 MHzUplink: (U-Band) 435.265 to 435.235 MHZ LSB orUplink: (L-Band) 1268.880 to 1268.850 MHz LSBDown link: 145.850 to 145.880 MHz USB

The KiwiSAT website says the team have been in discussion with ISC Kosmatras for a DNEPR launch. They hope the satellite will be launched mid-2013. On June 18, 2012, the KiwiSAT team released a status update.

In addition to the transponder KiwiSAT also carries an Attitude Determination And Control (ADAC) experiment developed by students at Massey University.

See also:

KiwiSAT http://www.kiwisat.org/

AMSAT-ZL http://www.amsat-zl.org.nz/

[ANS thanks the KiwiSat Team, AMSAT-ZL, and AMSAT-UK for the aboveinformation]

Five CubeSats Ready for July 21 JAXA HTV-3 Launch

Viet Nam's F-1 CubeSat team announced on June 23 they have passed flight safety review and are cleared to be included in JAXA HTV-3 mission to the ISS. F-1 arrived at Japan's Tsukuba Space Center where it and four companion CubeSats (RAIKO, WE WISH, FITSAT-1 and TechEdSat) will be integrated with the J-SSOD small satellite deployer before leaving for the Tanegashima launch pad.

After arriving at the ISS aboard the JAXA HTV-3 ISS resupply mission, the J-SSOD deployer will be integrated to the Japanese Experiment Module, also known as Kibo. They will be deployed with the Kibo robotic arm planned for the September, 2012 timeframe.

The five CubeSats on this mission include:

RaikoWe WishFITSat 1F-1 Vietnam Student CubeSatTechEdSat

RAIKO - Wakayama University, Japan

http://www.astro.mech.tohoku.ac.jp/RAIKO/ (Japanese)

This 2U CubeSat includes experiments for:

Earth photography with a fish-eye lens cameraPhoto tracking during deployment from ISS to measure relative motion.Experimental star sensorMembrane deployment experiment for de-orbitHigh speed data communication experiment by Ku-band communication equipment:

Orbit determination experiment by Doppler frequency measurement of Ku-band beacon. Mobile ground station and global cooperation for reception

FITSAT-1 - Fukuoka Institute of Technology, Japan

http://www.fit.ac.jp/~tanaka/fitsat.shtml

The main mission of this 1U CubeSat will be a demonstration of high speed data transfer from a satellite. A second experiment aboard the satellite involves an attempt at visual tracking from the ground of the high-output LED flash to investigate the possibility of optical communication with

satellites. The light from this flash will be received by the ground station equipped with a telescope with photomultiplier linked to a parabolic antenna tracking the 5.8GHz downlink.

Frequencies announced for FITSAT-1:

CW Beacon 437.250 MHz,

FM Data 437.445 MHz,

High speed data 5840.00 MHz.

WE WISH - Meisei Electric Co., Ltd., Japan

http://www.meisei.co.jp/news/2011/0617_622.html

The WE WISH mission is to investigate monitoring of the global environment from space with the use of an upper atmosphere measurement experiment. This includes GPS technology, and technical proof of concept of a micro infra-red camera.

F-1 Vietnam Student CubeSat

Vietnamese students in Hanoi plan to orbit the country's first satellite, their amateur radio CubeSat F-1 with the callsign XV1VN. The satellite will carry a low resolution C328 camera and two Yaesu VX-3R transceivers using 145.980 and 437.485 MHz.

VX-3R1, 437.485 MHz FM downlink:

Solar cell power only, operates in sunlight onlyOutput power: max 0.3W, half-wave dipole antennaMorse code beacon (10 chars) using PWM CW every 30 seconds

VX-3R2, 145.980 MHz FM downlink:

Rechargeable battery, operates in dark and sunlightOutput power: max 1.0W, half-wave dipole antennaAFSK 1200bps, half duplex, one AX.25 packet every 30 seconds

TechEdSat - San Jose State University

http://ncasst.org/techedsat.html

http://www.uk.amsat.org/5018

TechEdSat is a 1U CubeSat built by San Jose State University in partnership with NASA Ames Research Center and AAC Microtec. It's mission is to evaluate Space Plug-and-play Avionics (SPA) designed in Sweden by AAC Microtec, and to perform a communications experiment utilizing the Iridium and Orbcomm satellite phone network.

TechEdSat has received IARU frequency coordination for its downlink on 437.465 MHz.

[ANS thanks the CubeSat teams, AMSAT-UK, and Mineo Wakita JE9PEL for the above information]

AMSAT News Podcasts Available to Download and Listen

The Houston AMSAT Net, hosted by Andy W5ACM, meets every Tuesday evening at 8PM Central Time (UTC-5). They read the ANS bulletins and any late breaking amateur satellite news that has come out since the weekend ANS news cycle.

The net is streamed live on the AMSAT Echolink Node and via an MP3 stream. The audio is also available as a podcast from the current net including an archive of past net podcasts.

The Bruce KK5DO web page has the links to the podcasts (and live streaming information). Click on the "Listen to Live or Past Nets" link on the left side of the web page to find the links to the podcasts.

If you go to the iTunes store and search podcasts there for either kk5do, amsat or houston amsat net, you will find the same podcast able to be streamed right to your iPhone/iPad/iPod. Also, if you have an iPhone and you have downloaded the Echolink app, you can listen to the net live on Tuesdays at 8PM Central.

[ANS thanks Andy, W5ACM and Bruce, KK5DO for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Amateur Radio Club K4BFT received good media coverage at Field Day this year operating near the Alabama Space and Rocket Center. Their satellite station has several shots in the media article in the link, including SatPC32. There were 3 local TV stations and 1 local newspaper that visited the Satellite Station this year. (via Tim, N8DEU)Hams like big antennas no matter what the operating mode. You'll enjoy the two videos "Moonbounce Swiss Style" when Sam Jewell G4DDK and John Worsnop G4BAO were shown round the HB9Q amateur radio moonbounce (EME) shack by Alex Artieda HB9DRI.Listen to some dramatic music, watch a fast-paced video and see a few animated high-fives in the SpaceX video and the latest views of Dragon crew capsule.The latest updates to the CQ Newsroom has news of the STRaND-2 satellite program and the ARISS volunteer initiative, along with amateur radio news.The Antenna Column by Kent Britain, WA5VJB in the Spring, 2012 issue of CQ VHF Magazinediscusses "Herringbone Log Periodics plus Another AMSAT LEO Antenna." Select the link 'Click here for a look inside!' and you will find the link to a preview version of the magazine article.Paul, 2M1EUB is making mobile satellite DX contacts from Scotland. He reports being to work K3SZH on FO-29. He plans to be on the air from Scotland until around July 8-9.Wyatt, AC0RA worked Bill OM3BD/NZ5N in Slovakia on AO-7 at a distance of over 7800 kms. Bill wrote, "The QSO was remarkably easy, we talked to each other for over a minute with strong sigs. I was expecting maybe 15 seconds of a signal way down in the noise, but this was no sweat at all, and it was just our first attempt. This suggests that significantly longer distances are possible. The AO-7 orbit seems a bit different this summer, my North America windows are longer and extend deeper into the USA."NASA/JPL posted an amazing video highlighting the incredible

engineering feat it will be to land the Curiosity Rover onto the surface of Mars.NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, invites you to try out their new, on-line game, called ☐Build it Yourself: Satellite!☐ This is a Flash-based game, a learning tool for students and adults that plays in your browser window.ARISS International Team meeting was held on Tuesday, June 19. Minutes have been posted.Plan Ahead! To celebrate Venezuelan Navy Day, members of the Grupo DX Caracas will be active as YW5B from La Blanquilla Island between July 11-16. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, Satellites, FM and the Digital modes. (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1065)The next Hudson Valley Satcom net dates are on Thurs day July 5 and July 19 at 8PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). The echolink connection has been experiencing problems so you are invited to send an e-mail to N2OXV at arrl.net to make sure that the N2EYH-L EchoLink node is available if you plan to join via this route. (Stu, WA2BSS)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that please keep in mind the time a neutron goes into a cafe and asks the waiter, "How much for lunch?" The waiter replies, "For you, no charge." Just outside, two atoms are walking down the street and they run in to each other. One says to the other, "Are you all right?" "No, I lost an electron!" "Are you sure?" "Yeah, I'm positive!"

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

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1158. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 3 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-03 16:39:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfc846e7d04c3ef8d0a@google.com>
Source record: 2625
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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TO2U Miquelon Island

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 10:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352440-TO2U-Miquelon-Island&goto=newpost

VE3DZ and VA2WDQ will be active from Miquelon Island (IOTA NA-032) 20-31 July 2012 as FP/VE3DZ and FP/VA2WA

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...quelon-island/

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RAC Contest Log Question

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 12:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352377-RAC-Contest-Log-Question&goto=newpost

I'm fairly new to HAM radio(Licensed General in Sept. 2011, got first HF radio around Feb. 2012) I Picked up CW with the help of (CWA http://www.cwops.org) and now (while still learning) I'm doing well enough to peak in and try a few contests. Up until recently, I've only participated as a 'freebe' without really logging my entries only writing down the call sign and some exchange info even though not very consistently. (It's my understanding that by my not submitting a log, i'm not hurting anyone...Correct me if I'm wrong, and I'll change my MOP going forward).

This 2012 field day, I got on for fun, and made some field day contacts. 10-15 or so; and again this weekend, I casually participated in the RAC and racked up about 20 contacts. If for only the exercise, I'd like to submit my logs for the respective entities. For the RAC contest I used the N1MM logging program, and because I didn't really read the instructions, ;-) I began with the wrong contest setup so I remade the DB, and manually copied the call signs over.

Here's the question:If I don't have some of the exchange information for each QSO can I still submit the logs and will they be valid? Do they crosscheck for accuracy? I guess my question is should I even submit the logs. Or just wait until the next contest and do it right, now that I know better?

Thanks for any response. Hope the posting wasn't too convoluted. I tend to ramble when I type ;-)

73

Paul

KF5MOS

1159. eHam.net News for Tuesday 3 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-03 22:29:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b1c1ae1804c3f47385@google.com>
Source record: 2626
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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W1A Celebrates Telstar At 50:

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28572

A celebration of the world's first telecommunications satellite will take place on July 7th. This when the Radio Adventurers of Maine activate the callsign W1A to commemorate the first messages through the Telstar bird. They will be operating on site at the Andover, Maine satellite facility, the original earth station which broadcast the first messages via Telstar was uplinked on July 10th, 1962. The clubs commemorative operation will begin at 1300 UTC on both 40 and 20 meter phone.

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California Pirate Pays Extra for Not Answering Door:

Posted: 02 Jul 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28571

An amateur radio licensee who should have known better was nailed for running an unauthorized FM station northwest of San Francisco-Oakland. The buccaneer only made things worse by failing to let agents inspect the station. Brian R. Ragan was operating on 104.9 MHz without a license in Suisun City CA. And since he is the licensee of Amateur Radio Station KF6EGI, the FCC said he should have been aware of the requirement to make his equipment available for FCC inspection on request.

1160. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 3 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 02:36:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ffc3dbd804c3f7e323@google.com>
Source record: 2627
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Call Signs: Radio enthusiasts connect with nature, the world - The Herald Journal

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 08:20 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG1GSHgWvdMcKZih0tg8gIrP5ksQw&url=http://news.hjnews.com/features/horizons/article_65eed444-c521-11e1-8eb0-001a4bcf887a.html

Call Signs: Radio enthusiasts connect with nature, the world
The Herald Journal
barc 6.jpg. Jared Smith operates a ham radio at the Bridgerland Amateur Radio Clubs Field Day event from a trailer set up near Swan Flat Road in Logan Canyon Saturday afternoon. (Braden Wolfe/Herald Journal) ... When members of Cache Valleys ...

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eBay Tuesday: Skunks On The CB - Patch.com

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 02:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGGYvkA0l30OdNwv70TGSK05CcEEQ&url=http://newlondon.patch.com/articles/ebay-tuesday-skunks-on-the-cb

eBay Tuesday: Skunks On The CB
Patch.com
Here, she describes CB and ham radio as "the chatroom of the past, one of the worlds first social networks" and overall an interesting look into the culture during amateur radios heyday. This particular QSL card originated right here in New London ...

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Plan for 20m radio mast opposed - The Bay of Plenty Times

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 02:14 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGUmifnRPrYRoH6Ci_gTGtT8juhTA&url=http://www.bayofplentytimes.co.nz/news/plan-for-20m-radio-mast-opposed/1441071/

Plan for 20m radio mast opposed
The Bay of Plenty Times
They discovered too late that instead of amateur radio aerials having a maximum height of 9 metres in residential areas, a successful appeal has hoisted the height to 20m. The appeal by the Tauranga Emergency Communications Group ... The first that ...

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Ham Radio licensing class begins Saturday - News Chief

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 05:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFRt46p_sJcNnli7znSCZEEM8ZTmQ&url=http://www.newschief.com/article/20120703/NEWS/120709993/1021/news01?Title%3D-Ham-Radio-licensing-class-begins-Saturday

Ham Radio licensing class begins Saturday
News Chief
CLERMONT - FCC Amateur Radio Exams for new Ham Radio licenses or to up-grade licenses to be given will be given at 10 a.m. Saturday at Cagans Crossing Community Library, 16729 Cagan Oaks.

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Amateur Radio Newsline celebrates 35th anniversary - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 12:00 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFpzTaxenXgBE7gHV_mIMfAkAkF0w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/amateur_radio_newsline_celebrates_35th_anniversary.htm

Amateur Radio Newsline celebrates 35th anniversary
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Americas most highly-respected ham radio news service is marking something of a milestone. With this weeks broadcast, Amateur Radio Newsline has just celebrated its 35th anniversary.

1161. The ARRL Contest Update for July 4, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 05:12:37 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120704042432.5815126386@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2628
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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July 4, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you had fun operating on HF at Field Day, there are plenty of opportunities to keep the ball rolling. There are several sprints, digital and CW contests, and the biggest of the upcoming two weeks - the IARU HF Championship. This is a 24-hour contest that begins Saturday morning here in North America. Both CW and phone modes are used and the exchange is a signal report and your ITU zone <http://www.mapability.com/ei8ic/maps/ituzone.php> (not the CQ WW zone). Especially watch the higher bands as sunset falls and ionospheric absorption drops!

BULLETINS

Happy Independence Day to our US readers!

BUSTED QSOS

Sorry for causing any palpitations - the first use of the new Ontario section abbreviations will be this November in the 2012 Sweepstakes, not next year as reported in the previous issue. Also, the misdirection of internal links to the editor's personal C: drive was due to a newsletter editing program hiccup - apologies for not catching that on the way to publication.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

July 7-8

- MI QRP July 4th Sprint--CW (Jul 4)
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW,Digital (Jul 6)
- FISTS Summer Sprint--CW (Jul 6)
- 070 Club Firecracker PSK31 Sprint
- Venezuelan Independence Day Contest
- DL DX RTTY Contest
- Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon
- DARC 10-Meter Digital Corona
- QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew--CW

Jul 14-15

- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Jul 11)
- IARU HF World Championship
- DMC RTTY Contest
- CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

This year the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Headquarters station NU1AW will be operating in the IARU HF World Championship from the state of Wisconsin as NU1AW/9. Activity will take place on all bands on both modes from Paul W0AIH's hilltop multi-multi station in Wisconsin. The team of operators is still growing, however, some of the team members are W0GJ, N0IJ, K0MD, NE9U, W0UC and the host. With this year's contest, Paul will be one of a very few stations to have hosted both the W1AW and NU1AW operations!

Along with a new team taking the reins at North American QSO Party Headquarters (see the Conversation section below), National Contest Journal <http://www.ncjweb.com/> editor, Kirk K4RO, also announces that Chris Tate, N6WM is the new manage for the SSB NA Sprint. Chris replaces long-time manager Jim Stevens, K4MA - thanks, Jim! Because of the heavy contest schedule in February, the winter Phone NA Sprint will move to the third Sunday of March at the same time, 0000 to 0359Z on March 16, 2013. This is Saturday afternoon or evening, local time, in the US and Canada. The September dates are not changing.

It's hard enough keeping everything working at room temperature. Can you imagine trying to do it at the South Pole? The EDN article "Extreme electronics in Antarctica
<http://www.edn.com/electronics-blogs/analog-ic-startup/4375824/Extreme-electronics-in-Antarctica?cid=EDNToday>"
will take you into the shop of the most southern repair shop on the planet and introduce you to the "fuelies".

Scott N3JFP announces that the upgraded November Sweepstakes Log 4.7 <http://www.n3fjp.com/> is now available. The new version accommodates

the new Ontario sections and upgrads the Cabrillo output format to 3.0 (Cabrillo 2.0 is still being accepted). With the new sections going into effect in September, you will definitely need this version for this fall's contest. Scott will be adding the additional sections to his other major contesting programs including the Field Day program in plenty of time for next year.

While this item is a little late for the 2012 Field Day, it's never too early to start preparing for next year. The N1MM team produced a 12-minute video "Operating N1MM Logger on Field Day <http://n1mm.hamdocs.com/tiki-index.php?page=Video+-+Operating+N1MM+Logger+on+Field+Day#Video_Operating_N1MM_Logger_on_Field_Day>".
There are other helpful videos on the site, as well, and would be good training for the new operators you helped get started during Field Day. (Thanks, Larry K8UT)

Don't pass up opportunities to put ham radio in front of the public - summers are full of parades and fairs. Your club could operate a station, get a special call, work the pileups, and look fun and exciting. The St Charles ARC will be activating W0S from an actual float right in the July 4th Riverfest parade - speakers regaling the crowds with CW and voice! (Look for us at the low end of the General class band segments on 15 and 40 meters...a shameless plug.) All it takes is an enthusiastic team, some decorations, and a little ham innovation!

Engineering jokes <http://www.edn.com/electronics-blogs/other/4375942/5-Engineers--What-s-your-favorite-joke-about-engineers-?cid=EDNToday>
- no that's not an oxymoron - and EDN provides us with several groaners, some that you've probably heard, and more that you probably haven't. Enjoy!

Web Site of the Week - In past presentations and in various Webinars on contest station design, N6BV has focused on antennas at multi-multi superstations, like N6RO, W6YI, K3LR and KC1XX. But what about a Little Gun? In this latest Potomac Valley Radio Club webinar, "Antennas for Contesting -- Little-Gun vs a Superstation <http://pvrc.org/webinar/webinars.htm>", N6BV delves into more modest antenna installations that can still give a lot of bang for the buck in contests or DXing. (Thanks, PVRC President, Ken K4ZW)

WORDS TO THE WISE

"In theory, there is no difference between theory and practice. But, in practice, there is." Attributed to both de Snepscheut and Yogi Berra...I prefer Berra.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

How do they do it? Every year at Field Day, I hear some amazed operator shout, "I just worked a station that has a million transmitters!" That would be the W3AO team - check out how it's done in this great set of

photos <http://www.n3aln.com/W3AOFD2012.htm>. Amateur Radio Video News (ARVN) produced a DVD, "The Last Big Field Day <http://www.arvideonews.com/lbfd/index.html>" about W3AO's record-setting, all-time biggest Field Day effort - it makes for a great club program!

If you expect to have visitors during a contest or are setting up in a public place, here's an idea for some eye-catching PR. Connect a tablet or laptop to the Reverse Beacon Net <http://reversebeacon.net/> web site and use the call sign filter to show only spots of your call. The screen will display a zoom-able map of where your signal is being heard, worldwide. (Thanks, Pete N4ZR)

The Grumman Corporation produced the Lunar Modules that were so familiar during the space race to the Moon. EDN has packaged this nice slide show <http://www.edn.com/design/systems-design/4375902/Grumman-Lunar-Module-slideshow?cid=EDNToday> about the LM and its role in the Apollo program.

Take a look at this great 270-degree panorama <http://www.thomas-alfeld.de/dieter/afunk.php> of DJ3FS' "Funkbude" - I like that name! (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

"Wild ride at Georgetown's Power Tool Drag Race" <http://www.king5.com/video/featured-videos/A-wild-ride-at-the--158381785.html> - what more do you need to know? This is what they do in Seattle while waiting for summer to show up. There are quite a few YouTube videos <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gmRa9VaivNU> of the event, as well - search for "power tool drag race georgetown 2012"

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The final version of Claimed Scores for the 2012 CQ WPX Contest are now available for both CW <http://www.cqwpx.com/claimed.htm?mode=cw> and SSB <http://www.cqwpx.com/claimed.htm?mode=ph>. These are all of the logs received as of June 24. Scores are calculated by the log checking software and before any reductions. (Logs submitted as check logs are not included in the claimed scores.) Please check that your log has been placed in the correct category. Any feedback or corrections should be made to Randy Thompson, K5ZD <k5zd@cqwpx.com>, Director of the CQ WPX Contest.

Official Claimed Scores for the 2012 CQMM DX Contest <http://www.cqmmdx.com/logs/logs-received/> are available online, showing all logs received (including checklogs) with scores calculated before reduction by log checking process. Be sure that your log shows the correct category. If you find any errors, contact the CQMM Committee <help@cqmmdx.com> by email as soon as possible.

OPERATING TIP

You are - no you're not! When giving out exchanges, why say "You are..." and then give your own section? Wouldn't the right words be "We are..."? Actually, the right words are "Roger" or "Thank you" followed by your class and section without any extra verbiage.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

To pass cables underneath a driveway or walkway and if you have access on each side underneath, you can "drill" a hole with some PVC pipe and leave the pipe in place for use as a conduit. What's needed is a nozzle of some kind at the "drill" end of the pipe, and a threaded garden hose connection at the other. The nozzle can be a PVC pipe cap with some small holes drilled in the end. Water pressure will wash away the soil ahead of the nozzle. Use stiff PVC sections with fittings that can be screwed together. Add more sections as you work the pipe under the drive. Note that If you run into a rock, you're "done" and will have to try another location. Hardware stores may also have "water drill" kits that do the same job. (Thanks, Charlie N0TT and Mike K6BR)

The ARRL web site offers a three-part series <http://www.arrl.org/lightning-protection> about lightning protection and the IEEE also publishes and lightning protection guide <http://www.lightningsafety.com/nlsi_lhm/IEEE_Guide.pdf>. (Thanks, Tom W0IVJ and Larry W0QE)

Here is a simple RC filter <http://www.wentztech.com/radio/Technical/Misc/lm386.html> for the high-frequency hiss in audio output stages based on the LM386. Originally described in the SPRAT QRP journal <http://www.gqrp.com/sprat.htm>, quite a number of audio accessories and rigs use this IC. Getting rid of the hiss reduces operator fatigue quite a bit! (Thanks, Brien VE3VAW)

If you are just learning how to use an oscilloscope (or want to learn) the Instructables web site offers a nice introductory tutorial <http://www.instructables.com/id/Oscilloscope-How-To/> on learning to use the eyes of the electronic workbench.

Why are the outer shells of some coaxial power connectors positive when most are grounded? Steve KD1JV answer the question. "The reason the shell is positive is so when you have a battery-operated device with an ac adaptor jack, the shell is what activates the switch inside the jack to disconnect the internal battery...having the plus (contact) on the shell simplifies the jack wiring. Otherwise, you'd be switching the ground to the battery, and that could lead to complications. For stuff which does not have internal batteries, you will often find the adaptor which comes with the device has a negative shell."

Dink N7WA recommends the Pyle-Pro PHA40 4-Channel Stereo Headphone Amplifier that the Mike & Key Club uses at Field Day every year. Another recommendation comes from Scott W5WZ - he says, "I've had great luck using an ART HeadAmp 4 Headphone Amp. They seem to be pretty immune to RF and have independent audio gain for each of the 4 outputs.

A plus is that all inputs and outputs have paralleled 1/8" and 1/4" jacks."

One of the annual thorny problems is trying to minimize coupling between Field Day antennas while staying within the site size rules. Tom W8JI tackles this problem on his website <http://www.w8ji.com/antenna_coupling.htm> and opines, "Having two antennas in the nulls of each other is worth a whole lot more than distance."

The W1PNS/WA0ITP/AB8XA Battery Life Estimator <http://www.4sqrp.com/Battery_Capacity/index.php> is a really handy tool for testing battery capacity - something important at Field Day and for portable or emcomm use all year long. (Thanks, TJ W0EA)

Here's a tip from TS-590S owner Mark K6UFO that might also have some utility in other radios with adjustable display colors or shading - "I've read that you should configure the Menu A settings in amber and the Menu B settings in green, so you can tell them apart. Menu A/B settings are discussed in the manual on page 14."

Popular Mechanics has published the plans for an Arduino-based EMI detector <http://populamechanics/emidetector> that translates RF field strength into an audio tone. It's designed to help sniff out emitters of radio energy around the house. I wonder what it would do during a contest weekend?

Magazine roundup:

- National Geographic for June 2012 - "Solar Super Storms - How they could impact our high-tech world". Along with numerous fetching photos, the story covers the history of solar storms beginning with the enormous flare of 1859. Operators who were on the air during the 2003 CQ WW SSB contest will remember well the effect of the large flare, filling the bands with hiss and reducing the strongest signals to whispers.
- Popular Mechanics for July 2012 - "Welcome to the new solar maximum", more coverage of solar storminess which seems to have captured the public's attention. The article includes a good summary of the current solar monitoring satellites. The issue also includes "Build Your Own Telegraph" that lists parts and diagrams of a neat project for kids and students.
- Elektor for May 2012 - part three of the "AVR Software Defined Radio" adds an active ferrite antenna kit for VLF-MF reception and instructions for changing the tuning higher in frequency.
- Wired for June 2012 - Mythbusters host Adam Savage authors a great article on science and tech projects for you and your kids. He doesn't mention ham radio but you can run with the idea!

Technical Web Site of the Week - From ARRL Propagation Bulletin ARLP026, the Kyoto World Data Center for Geomagnetism <http://wdc.kugi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/> publishes planetary K and A indices

all the way back to 1932. With a perpetual calendar you can find your favorite contest weekend for any year, as well.

==> CONVERSATION

The Work of Many

National Contest Journal <http://ncjweb.com> editor, Kirk Pickering K4RO announces some changes in management for the North American QSO Party (NAQP) contests.

"After many years of service, Bruce Horn, WA7BNM will hand over management of the North American QSO Party (NAQP) to a new team of volunteers. I'd like to thank Bruce for all of the time, energy and resources he has put in to the NAQPs. These events are as vibrant and popular as ever and we have Bruce to thank for guiding their growth over the years.

"Bruce began overseeing the SSB NAQPs in January 1998 and took over the CW NAQPs in January 2003. As Bruce recalls, "Bob Selbrede, K6ZZ who was managing NAQP CW asked me if I'd be interested in managing the January 1998 NAQP SSB. Bob had been using an Excel spreadsheet for log checking, but it was limited by the maximum number of rows allowed by Excel at that time. I subsequently build at log-checking system using Microsoft Access, which was later used for CW log checking a couple of years later. I then wrote a more sophisticated log-checking system based on Web applications that I've used until the present. I started producing the CW results writeup and Correspondence (in addition to SSB) starting in January 2003. Finally, I started log checking the RTTY logs in January 2008, when the contest had a manager transition."

"In addition to assisting in the transition to the new NAQP management team, Bruce will continue to handle online certificates and team registration for the NAQPs. Bruce will also work directly with ARRL Headquarters on other contesting-related IT challenges, applying his considerable experience and programming skills.

"The new team of volunteers consists of operators who are very familiar with the NAQPs and includes contesters with decades of collective log-checking experience. Many thanks to these top contesters for offering their time and experience to carry the NAQPs into the future.

"The new NAQP contest managers (and contest report authors) are Chris Hurlbut, KL9A for NAQP CW and Bill Lippert, AC0W for NAQP SSB. Mark Aaker, K6UFO remains onboard as the NAQP RTTY contest manager. Log collection and log checking will be handled by Trey Garlough, N5KO and Tree Tyree, N6TR, respectively. Bruce, WA7BNM will continue to handle online certificates and team registration. Finally, Steve London, N2IC and Rich Strand, KL7RA will manage NAQP score records. (As the NCJ editor, Kirk will be responsible for the contest rules.)"

First, I join with K4RO in appreciation for WA7BNM's hard work to support one of my favorite contests. There is a lot going on behind the

scenes to make a contest like NAQP happen not just once a year but a half-dozen times! Thank you, Bruce. Second, if you step back and look at the transition, Bruce is being replaced not by one person but by six new workers. Six! The job has grown over the years, hasn't it?

I'll bet there is a person in your club like Bruce who doesn't get noticed all that often while doing a job that has gotten bigger and bigger with time. Does that person need some help? Does the job need to be divided into manageable chunks? My local club took a close look at the job of hamfest chair and discovered that there were basically eight major responsibilities and more than a dozen time-critical jobs that needed to be done over a sixteen-month period! Now we're careful to make sure the hamfest chair has at least one assistant and that volunteers are available to take some of those jobs.

On this Independence Day, let's take a moment to both recognize the hard-working volunteers who do so much on our collective behalf. Some are relatively anonymous (and may prefer to remain that way) but thank them anyway, publically or privately. Doing the work of many, they help make ham radio the thriving service that it is, providing enjoyment and satisfaction to us and public service to the nation and to our fellow citizens.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

4 July through 17 July 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

IARU HF World Championship--Phone,CW, from Jul 14, 1200Z to Jul 15, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and IARU zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

MI QRP July 4th Sprint--CW, from Jul 4, 2300Z to Jul 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and QRPMI number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW,Digital, from Jul 6, 0200Z to Jul 6, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/>

FISTS Summer Sprint--CW, from Jul 6, 2000 EDT to Jul 6, 2400 EDT. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, FISTS number or pwr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fists.org/>

070 Club Firecracker PSK31 Sprint--Digital, from Jul 7, 8 PM to Jul 8, 2 AM. Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: RST and S/P/C. Logs due: Jul 21. Rules

<http://www.podxs070.com/>

Venezuelan Indep Day Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jul 7, 0000Z to Jul 8, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: Aug 31. Rules <http://www.radioclubvenezolano.org/concurso.htm>

DL DX RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jul 7, 1100Z to Jul 8, 1059Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Aug 10. Rules <http://www.drcg.de/>

Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Jul 8, 0000Z to Jul 8, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member nr if member. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

DARC 10-Meter Digital Corona--Digital, from Jul 8, 1100Z to Jul 8, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST, serial. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.darc.de/ukw-funksport>

QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew--CW, from Jul 8, 2000Z to Jul 8, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, QRP number or power. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Jul 11, 1300Z with multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

DMC RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jul 14, 1200Z to Jul 15, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Aug 15. Rules <http://www.digital-modes-club.org/>

CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush--CW, from Jul 15, 2000Z to Jul 15, 2159Z. Bands (MHz): 14. Exchange: RST, serial, category, CQC member nr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cqc.org/contests>

VHF+ CONTESTS

MI QRP July 4th Sprint--CW, from Jul 4, 2300Z to Jul 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and QRPMI number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.miqrp.org/>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

4 July through 17 July

- July 5 - ARS Spartan Sprint <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>
- July 8 - WAB 50 MHz Phone <http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>
- July 9 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW <http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>

- July 10 - REF DDFM 6m Contest
<http://concours.ref-union.org/reglements/actuels/reg_ddfm50_fr_0912.pdf>
- July 11 - ARRL June VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/june-vhf>
- July 15 - His Maj. King of Spain Contest, SSB
<http://www.ure.es/contest/431-sm-el-rey-contest-english-version.html>
- July 16 - Kid's Day Contest <http://www.arrl.org/kids-day>
- July 17 - Stew Perry Topband Challenge
<http://jzap.com/k7rat/stew.rules.txt>

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1162. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 4 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 11:06:54 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303347fdf44f5004c3ff0640@google.com>
Source record: 2629
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Erin King, AK4JG named 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wGw1z44IzgQ/yhoty.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Year 7 student gains licence to transmit

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/66SJ80rqGDM/year7_student_gains_licence_to_transmit.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

12 year-old Daniel Humphries, a Year 7 student at the Co-operative Academy of Stoke-on-Trent in Tunstall, has become the latest pupil from the school to gain an amateur radio transmitting licence

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Cirqiniq Summer Camp, Kuujjuaq, Quebec (Nunavik), Canada

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uv5JX3MMq5g/ariss_event_0407.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Cirqiniq Summer Camp, Kuujjuaq,

Quebec (Nunavik), Canada on 4 July

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QRPiC 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aPHDhj7SbLo/qrpic_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

QRP in the Country will take place on July 15th at Upton Bridge Farm, Long Sutton, Langport, Somerset TA10 9NJ despite the weather!

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DXCC News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/o7nPyqvh4fA/dxcc_news_0407.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports on the latest operations to be approved for DXCC credit

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Original 13 Colonies Independance Day Special Event

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Special event stations in the original 13 American colonies will be active on the Amateur Radio Satellites and HF to commemorate Independance Day from Saturday, June 30 until Thursday, July 5

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Italian HF special event commemorates Apollo space program

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7YJiPrx0mV4/italian_hf_special_event_commemorates_apollo_space_program.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARI, the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani, and their club station IQ1TW have announced a special operating award 'Apollo Space Program – From the Earth to the Moon' for contacts between July 1 – July 31, 2012

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GB0KKM Special Event

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/E2qZKrn86Rw/gb0kkm_special_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club in Dervock, Northern Ireland, will be running a Special Event Station GB0KKM on Saturday July 21, 2012 in conjunction with the Kennedy Kane McArthur Marathon celebrations

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2012 ATV QSO Party

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K0h9fKvAvMw/2012_atv_qso_party.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Peter VK3BFG the custodian of the VK3RTV Digital ATV Repeater let’s all know that he is planning the 2012 ATV QSO Party

1163. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1068.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 11:44:51 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <27959.4043.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2630
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SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1068.2
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DX Special Bulletin No. 1068.2
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July 4, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, W2VU and N6PSE for the following DX information.

3D2C, CONWAY REEF (Press Release). Paul Ewing, N6PSE, sent out the following press release #1 on July 3rd: "The World-Wide DX Group, led by Hrane Milosevic-YT1AD, is pleased to announce our next DXpedition, as 3D2C from the remote South-Pacific atoll of Conway Reef. This Dxpedition will take place from September 24th to October 5th, 2012. The World-Wide DX Group is the same group which brought you the recent 3D2C Rotuma Island Dxpedition in September, 2011.
Our primary objective is to activate Conway Reef with a goal of providing as many DXers as possible a "new one" with this rare DXCC entity and, as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible. We will target European contacts during those periods when propagation is possible and we will ask JA and North America to stand buy during those brief periods when the bands are open to EU.
The team consists of sixteen operators including: Leader-Hrane Milozevic-YT1AD, Co-Leader Alex Romanov-UA4HOX, Co-Leader Paul Ewing-N6PSE, Dave Flack-AH6HY, David Jorgensen-WD5COV, Vasily Kozerodov-RW4NW, Dr. Alan Eshelman-K6SRZ-Team Physician, Alan Maenchen-AD6E, Sergej Yanovsky-RZ3FW, Craig Thompson-K9CT, Stanislav Vatev-LZ1CG, George Williams-N6NKT, Alexander Kuznetsov-RW3RN, Peter Sprengel-PY5CC and Mike Flowers-K6MKF.
Our QSL Manager is Hrane Milosevic-YT1AD. We will have OQRS, we will accept direct and bureau QSL cards. We plan to upload our logs to Club Log on a daily basis.
At this time, we are seeking Foundation, Club and individual support for this Dxpedition.
You can find out more about our plans at our website:
http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html
Thank you,
The World-Wide-DX Group"

CQ NEW (Press Release). Richard Moseson, W2VU, sent out the following press release on July 3rd: "Logbook of the World Support for CQ WPX Award Goes "Live" -- Participants in CQ magazine's WPX award program may now use the American Radio Relay League's Logbook of the World (LoTW) system to apply for the WPX award and its endorsements. Amateurs will be able to use LoTW logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard LoTW credit fees and CQ award fees will apply. LoTW support for the WPX award went 'live' on July 2.
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A separate fee for the WPX Award (and endorsements) is payable to CQ: Subscribers will be charged $6 for each award, while non-subscribers will be charged $12 for each award. Endorsement stickers are $1 each.
WPX is the first non-ARRL award supported by LoTW. Support for the rest of CQ's operating achievement awards - including Worked All Zones (WAZ), the USA-Counties Award (USA-CA) and the CQ DX and DX Field Awards - will be phased in over time.
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via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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1164. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 4 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 12:18:00 UTC
From: "Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <YvWIr.598933$jl.83419@fx19.am4>
Source record: 2631
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wGw1z44IzgQ/yhoty.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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> striking video of that flight, has been named as recipient of the 2012
> Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award
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that was great !...so not all hams are fat and ugly then ? ....bet her dad is a professional though......

1165. Re: once therewas a newgruop here but...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 13:21:43 UTC
From: UberJacker <nohijack@houston-hunks.com>
Message-ID: <ee3a873f-9ddd-4de2-acad-d9279172fe8b@k5g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2632
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Jul 3, 5:23 pm, mark morgan <konst...@hotmail.com> wrote:
> mark morgan wrote:
> > now there is nothing but panix based spam
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> > --- Posted via news://freenews.netfront.net/ - Complaints to
> > n...@netfront.net ---
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You sometimes do some odd things, but following up to yourself and
saying nothing? Maybe it's time for a tune up again.

1166. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 4 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 16:34:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c93ba259d04c4039a1b@google.com>
Source record: 2633
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TO2D Saint Barthelemy Island

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 09:09 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352579-TO2D-Saint-Barthelemy-Island&goto=newpost

HB9EOU and HB9CVC will be active from Saint Barthelemy Island (IOTA NA-146)
22 July - 4 August 2012 as TO2D

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...helemy-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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Olympic Special Event Station in Northern Ireland

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 12:36 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352525-Olympic-Special-Event-Station-in-Northern-Ireland&goto=newpost

Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club from Dervock, Northern Ireland will be
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McArthur

Marathon celebrations The Callsign being used will be GB0KKM more details on

Kennedy Kane McArthur can be found here

http://www.marathonmac2012.com/kk-mcarthur-story.aspx

MI0MSR Mel

1167. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 4 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 16:38:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b172029a04c403a8da@google.com>
Source record: 2634
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Posted: 04 Jul 2012 02:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352593-Logbook-of-the-World-support-for-CQ-WPX-Award-goes-live&goto=newpost

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WPX is the first non-ARRL award supported by LoTW. Support for the rest of CQ's operating achievement awards - including Worked All Zones (WAZ), the USA-Counties Award (USA-CA) and the CQ DX and DX Field Awards - will be phased in over time.

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C9, MOZAMBIQUE
Ivor,ZS1WY, is currently active as C91IW and is expected to stay until
the end of 2013. He has been spotted already on 160m. QSL via ZS1WY.

CE, CHILE
The special event station 3G90AA celebrates the 90th anniversary of
the Radio Club of Chile until Jul 31. QSL via CE3AA.

CN, MOROCCO
Moroccan amateur radio operators may use the special prefix 5C13
from July 1-27 to celebrate the 13th anniversary of the crowning of
Mohammed VI King of Morocco.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
Wayne,N6NB (E51YNB), and Carrie,W6TAI (E51TAI), will be active from
Rarotonga (OC-013) in all modes on all bands from Jul 7-21. They also
plan to take part in the IARU HF World Championship (July 14/15).
QSLs for both calls via N6NB (QRZ.com).

ES, ESTONIA
Eddie,ES2TT, and Andrew,RN1CW, will show up as ES2012ABCS and ES3/RN1CW
from Haapsalu Castle (WCA ES-00003) working in CW/SSB/BPSK on 6m-40m
from Jul 6-8. The las will be uploaded to the WCA E-Log as well.
QSLs for ES2012ABCS via ES2TT and for ES3/RN1CW via RN1CW.

EU, BELARUS
The Borisov Amateur Radio Club (EW2WW) celebrates the 910th anniversary
of Borisov city by using the special event call EV910B in SSB and CW
on 80m-10m from Jul 1-31. QSL via EW2EO.
See also: http://www.qsl.net/ew2eo/award/borisove.htm

GW, WALES, EU-005
The special event station GB10SOTA is activated to celebrate 10 years

of "Summits on the Air" (SOTA) from Mount Snowdon (Yr Wyddfa, 1085m, GW/NW-001, EU-005, WLOTA 0453, Loc IO73xb). Listen for them to be QRV on HF, VHF and UHF from the highest mountain in England and Wales until July 15. QSL via MW0IDX. See also: http://www.sota.org.uk

HP, PANAMA
Sergio,HP1/IZ6BRN, has returned to Panama. Skeds can be arranged via Skype. QSL via IZ8CLM, LoTW, eQSL.

FP, ST PIERRE ET MIQUELON, NA-032
Eric,FP/KV1J, plans to hand out some IOTA points in SSB/CW/RTTY/PSK31 on 160m-6m operating from Miquelon (NA-032, DIFO FP-002, WLOTA 1417, Loc GN17) on July 10-17. If the conditions are fine he may also work via satellites. His plans include also the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July12.html

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
The special callsign PC100NOM is active from Jul 2-29 to promote the 100th anniversary of The Netherlands Open Air Museum in Arnhem. The operator is Fred,PA0FAW (ISWL PA-11092/WAB-11722), operating in CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via PA0FAW.

PY, BRAZIL
The special event stations PW7FD (SSB, digital modes) and PQ7FD (CW) are working on 40m, 20m, 17m, 15m and 10m until July 30 as a tribute to Brazil's Fire Departments. QSL via PS7AB.

SP, POLAND
Jarek,SQ6OCO/p, activates Mielno Castle (WCA: SP-01236, ZWP: ZLL-03) until Jul 10. Listen for him on 7100, 14200 and 28500 kHz. QSL via homecall.

W, USA
The "Original 13 Colonies Special Event" which was announced in the last DX Newsletter has been prolonged until July 7.

VE, CANADA
The special event station CK6S is activated by the Calgary Amateur Radio Association to mark the 100th aniversary of the Calgary Stampede from July 5-15. QSL via VE6AO. All HAMs in the city of Calgary may use the special prefixes CJ6 for VA6 and CK6 for VE6 for the same period.

Awards in Friedrichshafen:
VP8ORK was awarded the "DXpedition of the Year 2011".
ZA1TC (Tevfik, TA1HZ) received the "WAEDC 2011 Hero Award".

European trip: Paolo,I2AE, has left for a 11,000 km trip through Northern Europe. He plans to activate several WFFs, IOTAs, WCAs and lighthouses.

LoTW: Freddy,F5IRO, uploaded his logs of J28RO, J25DXA and 5X1RO on Jun 26.

DXCC: Following stations are approved for DXCC credit:
3C6A (2012), 3C0E (2012), 5X1RO (2012), J28RO (2010), J25DXA (2011), XW4XR (2012)

ST2AR QRT: After two years and seven months Robert,ST2AR, went QRT with
138.000 QSOs in the log. He will work in Rome for the next 5-6 years.

SILENT KEY: Richard L. Baldwin,W1RU, holder of the Golden Badge of Honour
of the DARC, passed away at the age of 92 years on June 21.
Richard was President of the IARU and the ARRL for many years. During
this time he was responsible for the preparation of the WARC in 1979,
where the new bands 30m/17m/12m were allocated to amateur radio.
During his term as IARU President he was able to give the organization
a new representative direction.
Our condolences and sympathy are with his family and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could
get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 7/8 DARC VHF/UHF Microwave Contest
Jul 7/8 Independence of Venezuela Contest
Jul 7/8 DL DX RTTY Contest
Jul 8 DARC 10m Digital Corona Contest
Jul 14/15 IARU HF World Championship

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-014, TK, Corsica Island: Laurent,F8BBL, will be active as TK12IOTA from
Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) on July 7-21.
He will operate mainly in CW on 80m-10m. He also plans to operate as
TK12IOTA/p from Lavezzi Island (EU-164) on July 14 starting around
0800 UTC, and from the Sanguinaires Islands (EU-104) on Jul 18 starting
around 1000 UTC. QSL via F8BBL. See: http://rnb.dx-cw.net

EU-029, OZ, Sjaelland Archipelago: Philipp,OZ/HB9EYW, will be QRV in holiday
style from Falster Island (EU-029, DIA SJ-016, WLOTA 1961, Loc JO54XP)
mainly on 40m from Jul 10-19. QSL via HB9EYW.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/hb9eyw

EU-034, ES0, Hiiumaa/Saaremaa/Laanemaa County group: Frank,DL1FT, is going
to spend his holidays on Saaremaa Island (WLOTA 1401) and plans to show
up as ES0FTZ whenever his time permits from Jul 8-19. His preferred
bands are 40m and 20m. QSL via DL1FT (bureau/direct/LoTW/eQSL).
More information is available on his website: http://www.DL1FT.de

EU-075, SV, Peloponnisos (Argolis)/Attiki Region group: Nikiforos,SV1EEX/8,
is working in CW/SSB/PSK on 80m-6m from Hydra Island until mid July.
QSL only direct or eQSL via SV1EEX.

EU-115, EI/GI/MI, Ireland: Dave,WJ2O, will be on a roundtrip through
Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 2484) and Northern Ireland from Jul 8-19.
Listen for him on the HF bands signing either EI/WJ2O/m or GI/WJ2O/m.
Dave will join the IARU HF World Championship as EI/WJ2O/m from Ireland
QSLs only direct via his homecall (QRZ.com).
Further information can be found at: http://www.wj2o.com

EU-128, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State East group: Heinz,DL4AO/p, will be QRV
from Fehmarn Island (GIA O-001, WLOTA 0637) in CW/RTTY/PSK/JT65A on
12m-30m from Jul 10-20. QSL via homecall.

EU-170, 9A, Dalmatia North group: Feri,9A/HA4BF/p, will spend his holidays
on Vir Island (ACIA IC-200, IOCA CI-141, CIA-55, MIA MC-451,WLOTA 4050)
from Jul 8-21. He will operate in SSB only.
QSL direct to HA4BF or via LoTW and eQSL.

EU-171, Jylland North group: Ric,DL2VFR, will be active mainly in CW on the
HF bands signing OZ0FR/p from Vendsyssel-Thy on Jul 7-20.
QSL via DL2VFR (bureau/direct). See: http://www.iota-expedition.com
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Rene,OZ/DL2JRM, Anett,OZ/DO6XX, and Robin,OZ/DO2XX, are working from
the same island from Jul 7-21. They will use 100 watts and GP on 80-10m
in SSB and CW (only DL2JRM) QRV. Rene also plans short trips to other
DIA islands where he will show up as OZ/DL2JRM/m. QSLs via homecalls.

OC-177, YB0, Seribu Islands: 30 different operators are going to activate
Pulau Kaliage Besar (Loc OI34GI, YBFF-025) from July 6-9. Listen for
YE0M in CW, SSB and RTTY on 2m-160m. QSL via YB1GJS.
See also: http://ye0m.com

US Islands: Frandy,N1FJ/p, will be QRV from Three Mile Island (USi NH020,
not IOTA) from Jul 8-13. This island is located on Lake Winnipesukee
in Belknap County/New Hampshire. He will work mostly in CW on 15m-40m.
QSL via homecall.

Lighthouse activities

FP/KV1J LH 1417 Jul 10-17

WFF activities

DLFF: Some members of the clubstation DK0ASP will be active from the
Nature Reserve Rotwildpark Stuttgart (WFF DLFF-146) on Jul 7/8.
This will be the first activation of this nature reserve. They will
be QRV as DL2A with two stations on 20m, 30m and 40m. All QSOs will
be confirmed with a QSL via bureau.

FFF: The special event station TM7TDF (Tour de France) will be QRV from the
Parc Regional (FFF-078) on Jul 7/8. They will be active also from the
mountain Planche des Belles Filles (SOTA F/JU-027) on Jul 6/7.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

01Jul-04Jul 1A0C 1786
26Jun-09Jul 2E1EUB 1785
-09Jul 2M1EUB 1786
Unknown 3B8MM 1777
-31Jul 3G90AA 1787 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-15Jul 8J3XVI 1779
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
15May-31Jul 8N6JAPAN 1783
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
-08Jul 8T1M 1781
08Jul-21Jul 9A/HA4BF/p 1787 *
Unknown 9H3XX 1777
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
10Jun-30Jun A6/DL9WVM 1783
18Jun-13Jul AC0QG/5 1784
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787 *
Unknown CG3B 1786
15Jun-15Jul CG7CWPC 1784
05Jul-15Jul CK6S 1787 *
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Unknown CR6BWU 1784
Jul CR6W.. 1786
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-08Jul D2QV 1750
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
Unknown D3AA 1781
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
07Jul-08Jul DL2A 1787 *
10Jul-20Jul DL4AO/p 1787 *
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784

Unknown E40VB 1780
02Jul-25Aug E51AND 1786

Unknown E51MGA 1786
07Jul-21Jul E51YNB.. 1787 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
08Jul-19Jul EI/WJ2O/m 1787 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
08Jul-19Jul ES0FTZ 1787 *
01Jul-08Jul ES2012ABCS.. 1786/1787 *
Unknown EV1150P 1779
Jul EV910B 1787 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
10Jul-17Jul FP/KV1J 1787 *
-Jul FR8NE 1710
19May-27Jul G4WAB.. 1780
-15Jul GB10SOTA 1787 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
08Jul-19Jul GI/WJ2O/m 1787 *

-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787 *
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
23Jun-15Jul IS0/IZ0KRC 1786
-2011/12? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
Unknown JT5NM 1781
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY9ET 1779
01Jul-05Jul K2A.. 1786
22Jun-05Jul KC0VEU/YV0 1786
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
30Jun-10Jul LA/DM2AUJ 1785/1786
Jul LY54SOP 1786
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770

27Jun-04Jul MJ/DL9MWG.. 1786
08Jul-13Jul N1FJ/p 1787 *
-15Aug NR4CB 1780
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Unknown OD5NJ 1784
Jul +Sep OE2XXM.. 1786
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DL2JRM 1787 *

07Jul-21Jul OZ/DO2XX 1787 *
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DO6XX 1787 *
10Jul-19Jul OZ/HB9EYW 1787 *
07Jul-20Jul OZ0FR/p 1787 *
01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
-29Jul PC100NOM 1787 *
Jul PW7FD.. 1787 *
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784
-31Jul R200BS 1783
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
01Jul-31Aug SN0HAL 1786
-10Jul SQ6OCO/p 1787 *
-Jul SV1EEX/8 1787 *
-31Jul SX135HRC 1784
01Jul-31Jul SX9S 1786
sporadically T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786
01Jul-06Jul TK/ON8VP 1786
Unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782
07Jul-21Jul TK12IOTA 1787 *
24Jun-07Jul TM0CEZ 1785
02Jul-08Jul TM0TSR 1786
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
06Jul-09Jul TM7TDF 1787 *
-Jul TN9SN 1755
-06Aug TT8PK 1785
26Jun-12Aug TY2BP 1786

-31Aug UE80C 1784
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Jun-15Jul VC2L 1784
01Jun-31Jul VK100WIQ 1783
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782/1786
30Jun-09Jul VP2MSR 1782/1786
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
15Jun-15Jul VX3ROYL 1784
25Jun-25Jul VX3X 1785
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-Jul XV3C 1785
06Jul-09Jul YE0M 1787 *

-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3A/DK1AF via DK1AF (B)
3B8/HB9ARY via HB9ARY
3G90AA via CE3AA (B)
4O7VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
5B4AHL via M0URX (B), (L)
9A/HA4BF/p via HA4BF (d), (L), eQSL
9J2CA via G3SWH (B)
A52W via JH1NBN (B)
AD0AX/VY0 via AD0AX
C91IW via ZS1WY
CK6S via VE6AO (B)
DL4AO/p via DL4AO (B)
DP7COTA automatically
E51TAI via N6NB (d)
E51YNB via N6NB (d)
E7/UA4WHX via UA4WHX (B), (L)
EG7NU via EA7NL
EI/WJ2O/m via WJ2O (d)
EO2012EURO via UR5WA
ES0/DL1RNW via DL1RNW (B)
ES0FTZ via DL1FT (B), (L)
ES3/RN1CW via RN1CW (B), (L)
ES2012ABCS via ES2TT (B)
EV910B via EW2EO (B)
FP/KV1J via KV1J (B), (L)
G0/OE8NIK via OE8NIK
GB10SOTA via MW0IDX (B)
GB60QE via G0TOC
GI/WJ2O/m via WJ2O (d)
GP3ZME via G3ZME (B)
HB0/E77QJ via DJ0QJ (d)
HB0/JA5AQC via JA5AQC (B)
HB9FBG/p via HB9FBG (B)
HP1/IZ6BRN via IZ8CLM, (L), eQSL
I1/F8ENY via F8ENY (L), (d)
JH7DFZ/BY5CD via JH7DFZ
KH0XG via JL1RXW (B)
LZ12FDAY (B)
N1FJ/p via N1FJ (B)
OG5N via OH1CQ
OH0/OK1AMM via OK1AMM (B)
OH0/OK1HH via OK1HH
OH0/OK2BOB via OK2BOB (B)
OM90ZSE via OM3PA (B)

OT800LIER via ON7LR
OZ/DG1LHM via DG1LHM (B), (L), eQSL
OZ/DL2JRM via DL2JRM (bureau/direct)
OZ/DO2XX via DO2XX (bureau/direct)
OZ/DO6XX via DO6XX (bureau/direct)
OZ/HB9EYW via HB9EYW (bureau/direct)
OZ0FR/p via DL2VFR (B)
P3EU via 5B4AHO (B)
PC100NOM via PA0FAW (B), eQSL
PQ7FD via PS7AB (B(, (L)
PW7FD via PS7AB (B(, (L)
R200BS via RK3CQ (B)
RT6A/p via R7AA (B)
SP3CMA/8 via SP3CMA (B)
SQ6OCO/p via SQ6OCO
SV1EEX/8 via SV1EEX (d), eQSL
TK12IOTA via F8BBL (B), (L)
TM0CEZ via F5CWU (B)
TM105CFC via F4FXO
UE40MD via UA4LU
VP2V/W9DR via W9DR
VY0/K9DXA via K9DXA
YE0M via YB1GJS (B), (L)
YL11WCA via YL2IU (B)
ZA/Z35M via Z35M (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

A52AB QSLs: Andy,UA3AB, confirmed all QSLs he has received so far. If you
still miss a QSL please send him an e-mail with the QSO information,
your address and a proof of payment of the postage via PayPal.
His e-mail address is andy@ua3ab.com

QSLs arrived direct: 6O0CW (GDXF), ZK2C (DL7JAN)

QSLs arrived bureau: A60ISG (IZ8CLM), A61AB (IZ8CLM), A61ZZ (IZ8CLM),
A71DLH (DL0LH), D44TBV (JA1PBV), HO1X (DJ2ST),
HI3/IK4QJF, HP1/DJ2ST, HZ1GW (GW0RHC), HZ1PS (IZ8CLM),
J5V (JA1PBV), JD1BIE (JA8FCG), JW/SE5E (SM5AJV),
OJ0B (OH2BH), OX4OK (OK1JST), PJ2/DO7DP,
V31YN/P (DJ4KW), VP2ENK (DJ8NK), VP2MNK (DJ8NK),
YB0MWM/9 (YB9WZJ), ZD8D (DL9HO), ZD8XF (G3TXF),
6V7X (IK2FIL), 6Y1V (OH3RB), 7P8OK (M0URX),
9N7DX (4Z4DX), 9M6DXX/P (M0URX), 9V1YC (W5UE)

QSLs arrived LoTW: OX/DL1RTL

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** DXCC: ZP: Paraguay ; square GG22; start 2012-07-07 **

Greetings from Paraguay,

I apologize for the need to change my operation, but family obligations
make it necessary.

I will not be on the air on Saturday July 7, but will be QRV from 0220z
(moonrise) on July 9 (my Sunday night) for several hours. QRG should be
144.131 and I will transmit first. I will be on the N0UK logger for
information.

I hope to hear all of you better with the new preamp!

This will be my last day to operate before returning to the U. S. for
six months. However, on my return to Paraguay in February I plan to be
active on EME on both 144 and 432 mHz from Asuncion.

Looking for many of you on Saturday...

73 de Steve ZP9EH

SOURCE: Moonnet

** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

All is prepaired and running well. Outside the hours on the Moon the
Team will be qrv for Tropo and MS as well (any skeds pse Mail to DL9MS).
Callsign VP9I is confirmed (thanks to VP9GI!)
A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

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** DXCC: ES: Estonia; square KO18; start 2012-06-26 **

Hallo, during my holidays on the island saaremaa I will activate KO18.
Activities from ko17/07/08 are also possible. more info later.
RIG:150W+11el Yagi

SOURCE: tnx to Ronny DL1RNW direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: YU: Yugoslavia; square KN04; start 2012-07-06 **

YT7W (YU7BCD) will be active in July V/U/SHF contest from KN04OW

YT7W (YU7BCD) will be active in July V/U/SHF contest on 2m band fm KN04OW with RIG:
OK/DL - 8 x 5 el. vert. stack + GS35 power - 24h
YO/UR - 4 x 6 el. vert. stack + 2x GI7 - 24h
I - 4 x 8 el. vert. stack + GS31 - 24h
SE/SW rotary system 11 over 11 el. + abt. 500W.

We'll be on 144.126 + - QRM CW
and 144.226 + - QRM SSB

Hope you'll find us easy.
Good luck in contest, Nesa YU2M

SOURCE: tnx to Nesa, YU2M, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LZ: Bulgaria; square KN32; start 2012-07-07 **

LZ9M qrv begin of july on KN32QP in Field Day Contest

LZ3GM & LZ5GM are going to test a new hill during the Field Day Contests.
We wish good luck to everyone!

SOURCE: tnx to Ivan, LZ3GM, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH&SM: Finland&Sweden; square KP43-KP46-KP07-KP03; start 2012-07-09 **

Peter PA3BIY traveling through OH & SM with 2m station.

"From July 9th till the 31st we will be travelling in the Nordic countries for
a Holiday. However, I will have some 2 m equipment with me, and try to activate a
few squares along the route via MS. These are the provisional dates where I might
be active from the following locations:
July 12-16: KP43
July 16-18: KP46
July 21-22: KP07
July 23-24: KP03

In KP07 I may have the chance to be QRV from Dundret mountain, which has a magnificent
take-off towards the south.
During the trip I will try to be active on KST to announce my plans, but can't promise
anything! And as I will be travelling together with my XYL, Ham radio may not always
have first priority ;-) .

Equipment home made, 9 el. tonna and 400W
Hope to cu many of you on 2 m,

Peter, PA3BIY

SOURCE: Peter direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F :France; square JN18; start 2012-07-12 **

FRENCH SPECIAL EVENT: This year 2012 is the 70th anniversary of the FRENCH ARMY SIGNAL
CORPS .

Starting July 12th until July 15th, in Paris, among the festivities of the French 14
Juillet,
will be held a special ham event from a very rare location .
>From the 3rd floor of the Tour Eiffel (about 300 m over ground), some Hams, all
Servicemen,
will be active, 24h a day. The crew consists namely of : Philippe/F5SKW, Dimitri/F5SWB,
Freddy/F5IRO,
David/F8CRS and Yves-Michel/ F5PRU. Some of them were operators in the past at TO4E or
FT5GA.
The callsign claimed is TM70TRS, but it could be also TM70TE
The activity is scheduled on CW, SSB and RTTY, HF & VHF bands (Grid Locator JN18DU)
A special QSL card to confirm your QSO?s will be available from the F6KHX ARC or from

Didier/F5OGL,
both either direct or via the French bureau.

Special notice for those who are able to receive the French TF1 TV Network programmes ;

A French TF1 TV Network technician?s team managed by the journalist Anne-Claire Coudray, has made a movie, showing the operators when preparing the station, for the operation, on last June 19th.
This movie will be included in the July 14th, morning (utc+2) , French Forces parade on the Champs Elys?, TV report. Have fun and luck.

SOURCE: tnx to Maurice, F5NQL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EW: Belarus; square KO32-KO42; start 2012-08-01 **

Next Expedition from the SUDXF Team from KO43&KO32

>From August 1 to August 10, the team SUDXF will QRV MS, EME, TROPO of squares KO42, KO32. We start at the same time of two squares: one EME, from another MS and TROPO. After four days,
changing squares. Call - EW/UT2GWW. Range - 144 MHz? may be and 432 MHz. Frequencies: EME - 144,138 MHz,
MS - 144.353 MHz. The work is always in the first period.

Operators: EME - Anatoly, UY5HF, Alex, UR7GO. MS - Vlad, US8ZAL, Mike, US0GM.

QSL via US8ZAL

SOURCE: tnx to US8ZAL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

Hi all

It?s just 6 weeks before the expedition and I promised to keep you informed.
These are our last news: We will arrive to Comoros on August 8^th and we will
be qrv on 6 meters from the following day, August 9^th until the 20^th .
We will run a dedicated station with K3 + pr6 preamp, ACOM1000, and a 6m8gj antenna.
QRV cw, ssb, digi modes (jt65a, iscat and jt6m) and EME . We will run a breakable beacon on cw or jt65a. We hope to have internet access and will be on on4kst chats.
QTH will be LH18PJ just at sea side. By now we have got the license for
HF and 6 meters and flight tickets are already booked.

Schedule is as follows:
8/8 arrive to qth
9/8 install 6m station
First windows:
9/8 MR at 21.10Z
9/8 MS at 09.00Z
Last windows:
19/8 MS at 16:40Z
20/8 MR at 05:05Z

20/8 pack 6m station and return home
MR will be looking to mountains in the island about 200 meters high at 2 Km, will see how it works.
MS will be looking to the sea, expecting good ground gain and low noise.
We don?t have any particular frequency, usually I will TX first on 193.
We will have elevation when moon is higher than 20 degrees. We expect to run about three hours
before/after MS/MR, and use the rest of diurnal time for terrestrial modes. Of course, if F2/TEP
opens it will have priority, sorry, I think you will understand us.

Hope to work all you from D64K

73 Josep
EA3AKY

http://ea3aky.blogspot.com/__

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: VU: India; square ????; start 2012-05-23 **

Until July 8th, Taj, VU2DJ, Sabu, VU2ELJ, Sree, VU2OB, Prabin,
VU2POL, Peeter, VU2PJP, Murali, VU2FWW, Thomas, VU2VJT, Sunil,
VU2ATB, Ashraf, VU3MTY, Mujeeb, VU3WII and Sanal, VU3SIO, will
activate the special call sign 8T1M from 160 - 2 Meter in CW, SSB,
PSK, RTTY, FM and D-STAR. QSL via VU2MLQ.
http://www.malabarradiohams.org/

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
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** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1170. eHam.net News for Wednesday 4 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-04 22:40:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a4f13cef04c408b5d3@google.com>
Source record: 2637
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Call Signs: Radio Enthusiasts Connect with Nature, the World:

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 06:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28577

A lot of people who spend a couple of days in the wilderness are there to roast marshmallows, cook Dutch oven potatoes and recount campfire stories. When members of Cache Valley's Bridgerland Amateur Radio Club (BARC) met June 23-24 and staked out spots up Logan Canyon's Swan Flat Road, they weren't there for the traditional camping experiences, though. The BARC's focus was to make contact with people all around the country and even the world. At least 40 members of the local club made their way up Logan Canyon last weekend as part of the American Radio Relay League's (ARRL) 2012 Field Day. Approximately 35,000 amateur radio operators throughout the nation -- the ARRL's largest annual gathering -- participated in Field Day. "It just gives an opportunity for different amateur radio clubs or groups to operate for 24 hours ... to get out and operate on emergency power," said BARC President Cordell Smart. When Field Day, which takes place over a 24-hour period, rolls around, makeshift radio stations all over the country -- some of them quite intricate -- are erected, and they operate on alternate power sources. The BARC used a spud gun to connect a series of antennae with hay baling twine. The club constructed a few different radio setups, including one for digital mode (PSK, RTTY) and morse code (CW). The BARC also had its UHF Portable Repeater on hand, which was then connected to the club's repeater system. The club operates on a series of three repeaters -- Mount Logan, Promontory Point and Red Spur. "There's really lots of things within amateur radio that are available, so it's not just one single thing," said Smart, who has been involved in amateur radio for more than 40 years. "There are many, many things, and that's what makes it so exciting and enjoyable is trying out those different aspects of amateur radio."

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Plan for 20m Radio Mast Opposed:

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 06:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28576

A Tauranga neighbourhood is in an uproar after it discovered that it will soon be overlooked by a giant radio aerial. They discovered too late that instead of amateur radio aerials having a maximum height of 9 metres in residential areas, a successful appeal has hoisted the height to 20m. The appeal by the Tauranga Emergency Communications Group and the New Zealand

Association of Radio Transmitters was not site specific and applied across all the city. They objected to rules in the council's proposed new City Plan that would have restricted new aerials to 9m. Older aerials around the city that pre-dated the current plan reached up to 16m. The first that Veda Glen residents heard about the Environment Court decision was when Pyes Pa radio ham Brian Heywood notified neighbours about his intention to erect a 20m high radio mast in his backyard. It would be topped by a flat rack of antennae measuring 13m long by nearly 15m wide. By the time Mr Heywood spoke to residents, Judge Jeff Smith had delivered his interim decision to partly allow the appeal, reducing the 26m height sought by the radio hams to 20m. The news came as a big shock to one of the residents closest to proposed mast, Janet O'Shea of Lochay Place, Veda Glen. She quickly organised a protest meeting last Saturday attended by 50 residents. "We were a very unhappy group of people. What irks all of us was that no one knew anything about this until it was too late." The irony was that their subdivision had a covenant to stop aerials protruding into views. Mr Heywood's home on a kiwifruit orchard sat beside one of the boundaries of Veda Glen. Mrs O'Shea said the mast and antennae would be visible from all over the subdivision and from points further afield like Aquinas College and the historic Te Maunga battleground. "It will be like a beacon." She was also concerned by the wider ramifications of Judge Smith's decision because it meant that radio hams would be allowed to erect 20m high masts as of right, without any consent needed from neighbours. "It will impact not just on us, but the entire community. It's a massive decision. I would ask the question as to whether or not every impact of such a structure has been taken into consideration on his decision making." Another neighbour Anne Porter said they would look straight at the aerial from their living room. "He has total disregard for the people around here ... he can do what the hell he likes and stuff everyone else, it's not right in my view." Mr Heywood, a retired radio engineer, responded that the appeal was on behalf of all Tauranga's amateur radio operators. There were 90 in the club and he represented the emergency communications group in the appeal. Although he could see his neighbours' points of view, he expected that, to some people, his new aerial would be a seven-day wonder and three months down the line people would accept it as a normal part of the neighbourhood environment. "It is a case of getting used to it."

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San Jacinto Prankster Arrested Again for Pointing Laser at Fire Engine:

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 06:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28575

SAN JACINTO, Calif. (KABC) -- A 31-year-old San Jacinto woman was behind bars for a second time after allegedly pointing a laser at a firefighter behind the wheel of a fire engine. Irene Levy's colorful history makes her no stranger to her community or local law enforcement. She is best known in San Jacinto for a stunt she pulled in May 2010 when she used an amateur radio to interfere with an emergency response dispatcher. Levy was found guilty of jamming emergency radio frequencies by broadcasting threats and making a fake bomb threat. As part of her probation, she was ordered to

complete a mental health program and stay out of trouble. But early Saturday morning, police said Levy violated her probation by pointing a laser beam at a CalFire crew twice as they responded and then returned from a call.

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ARRL's Logbook of the World Now Supports the CQ WPX Award:

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 11:07 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28574

Hicksville, NY - July 3, 2012) -- Participants in CQ magazine's WPX award program may now use the American Radio Relay League's Logbook of the World (LoTW) system to apply for the WPX award and its endorsements. Amateurs will be able to use LoTW logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard LoTW credit fees and CQ award fees will apply. LoTW support for the WPX award went "live" on July 2.

1171. HOT VIDEOS 2 HOT PEOPLE AND ACTRESSES NEVER SEEN PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-05 01:31:46 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <62627a88-fe06-4a9f-87df-17b126e3cfcd@oe8g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2638

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

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1172. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 4 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-05 02:43:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e83ae58c05e04c40c1bfc@google.com>
Source record: 2639
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Slidell amateur radio operators spend Field Day communicating - NOLA.com

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 03:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHBbFPpJiy-f_rOlIAtw-XgaNAL-A&url=http://www.nola.com/community/st-tammany/index.ssf/2012/07/slidell_amateur_radio_operator.html

NOLA.com
Slidell amateur radio operators spend Field Day communicating
NOLA.com
“See that — thats a signal,” said John Guthans, sitting with his wife and fellow “ham” radio enthusiast, Judy, outside the Ozone Amateur Radio Club Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in central Slidell. a.oarc1.jpg Chris Granger, The Times-PicayuneJay ...

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Amateur radio enthusiast enjoys waves of popularity on worldwide web for ... - This is Scunthorpe

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 03:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEznWBTqmy0jWyf9bQP8N5UG0tCvw&url=http://www.thisisscunthorpe.co.uk/Amateur-radio-enthusiast-enjoys-waves-popularity/story-16480549-detail/story.html

Amateur radio enthusiast enjoys waves of popularity on worldwide web for ...
This is Scunthorpe
A North Lincolnshire amateur radio enthusiast who was surfing the air waves to Australia ended up helping a stricken sailor and his yacht which had been battered by waves of a different kind following...

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Dayton ranch a natural home for ARRL exercise - Reno Gazette Journal

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 08:47 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHg0dU61vanCWe4fv-2zCTF4myPzQ&url=http://www.rgj.com/article/20120704/DAYTON01/307040080/Dayton-ranch-natural-home-ARRL-exercise

Dayton ranch a natural home for ARRL exercise
Reno Gazette Journal
Daytons George Morse, though not a ham radio operator himself, recently offered his property on River Road for a 24-hour nationwide emergency exercise operated by amateur radio operators.

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Erin King, AK4JG named 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year ... - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 03 Jul 2012 09:56 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGT15xTSNCiuNMDEpXbc3EKmuH-dQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/yhoty.htm

Erin King, AK4JG named 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year ...
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who refounded her high schools radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying balloon to over 90000 feet, recovered the flight data and used it to produce a truly striking video of that flight ...

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Ham radio - Citizens Voice

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 01:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGFuH_CBmpzKcZV5hh0Dahcx7Nr7Q&url=http://citizensvoice.com/news/on-the-town-7-1-12-1.1337491

ï‚» Ham radio
Citizens Voice
ï‚» Ham radio. The 33rd annual Murgas Amateur Radio Club Hamfest and Computerfest starts at 8 a.m. at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds in Dallas. The flea market and convention of radio enthusiasts features amateur radio operators from across the ...

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Ham radio operators use Field Day event to test emergency readiness - Weekly Citizen

Posted: 29 Jun 2012 02:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHZEDc-nEIcWWfOiV_eG9V_nOHhYQ&url=http://www.weeklycitizen.com/news/x1762346783/Ham-radio-operators-use-Field-Day-event-to-test-emergency-readiness

Ham radio operators use Field Day event to test emergency readiness
Weekly Citizen
Members of Ascension Amateur Radio Club joined thousands of other amateur radio operators nationwide demonstrating their emergency capabilities last weekend. On Saturday and Sunday, folks met with amateur – also known as “ham” – radio operators to ...
Having a field day: Amateur radio operators contact CroatiaThe Union of Grass Valley

all 2 news articles

1173. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 5 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-05 11:09:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <005045016fd582e6e504c4132e1a@google.com>
Source record: 2640
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JZVP8XLHeR0/july_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

If I thought last week was bad then this week was worse. Just Sunday came
to the rescue. TA2TR did a good job spotting, but there was some DX about

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InnovAntennas sponsors 2O12W - 2012 Welsh Olympic station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NcjJIy3gg-0/innovantennas_sponsors_2012w.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Barry Amateur Radio Club (BARS) set out to provide a station covering
HF to UHF earlier this year which would run through the entire 6 weeks of
the Olympic games. However, it transpired that there was no 6m antenna on
hand for the event so potentially, 6m could be missed from the plans..

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OSCAR-7 DX record broken again

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NoCLdBnNWck/oscar7_dx_record_broken_again.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Independence Day, July 4, saw AC0RA and OM3BD set another world distance
record using the amateur radio satellite AMSAT-OSCAR-7, breaking their own
record set just 48 hours earlier

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EME 2012 Conference Proceedings

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i8O7YH2DANw/eme_2012_conference_proceedings.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The EME2012 proceedings will consist of a 240 page printed book, edited by
Ian White GM3SEK, containing all the papers to be presented at the
conference and a DVD with much additional material

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High solar activity produces CMEs and radio bursts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TDhvfVit7bM/high_solar_activity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sunspot AR1515 has grown into a behemoth more than 10 times wider than Earth. The active region is crackling with M-class solar flares and seems poised to produce even stronger X-flares in the days ahead

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Conway Reef DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2bYQAIsGFec/conway_reef_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The World-Wide DX Group, led by Hrane Milosevic-YT1AD, is pleased to announce our next DXpedition, as 3D2C from the remote South-Pacific atoll of Conway Reef. This Dxpedition will take place from September 24th to October 5th, 2012

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BBC interview with YouView Chief Exec

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f4-becLWuFE/bbc_interview_with_youview_chief_exec.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In a BBC interview, YouView Chief Executive Richard Halton plugs the polluting PLT adaptors used by YouView boxes

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C03TOo8-WuM/july_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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M1MAJ Mountain Goat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eIB8btaxIac/m1maj_mountain_goat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An unlikely SOTA Mountain Goat is Martyn Johnson M1MAJ. Living in Cambridge, Martyn is in one of the flattest and lowest parts of the UK

1174. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 5 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-05 16:32:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f69b361f004c417afbd@google.com>
Source record: 2641
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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TO5U Martinique Island

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 01:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352678-TO5U-Martinique-Island&goto=newpost

K9FY will be active from Martinique Island 11-18 July 2012 as TO5U

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...inique-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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PS1J - Brazillian National Jamboree - Brazilian Scouts

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 10:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352657-PS1J-Brazillian-National-Jamboree-Brazilian-Scouts&goto=newpost

During the 5th Brazilian National Jamboree occuring in Rio de Janeiro -
Brazil, between July 15th and 20th, the brazilian scouts organization,
named "União dos Escoteiros do Brasil" will activate the amateur radio
station PS1J

It will be a great opportunity to the young scouts taking part of the
event, supported by a team of scouting hams and a team of hams from
LABRE-RJ (national amateur radio association, Rio de Janeiro office), to
get in touch with the radio, to talk with another radio stations all over
the world, prepare the QSL card to send, learn about radio technique, CW
code, to make new friends and live some "radioscouting".

As so, we invite amateur radio fellows around the world to make contact
with the station PS1J during this event, specially at day time in Brazil,
from 10am-9pm UTC, when the scouts will be near the several radios
operating the station. The PS1J station will be active almost 24h a day
during "5th National Jamboree".

This will be a BIG event for scouting in Brazil, getting near 5000 members
camping on same site.

Frequencies to work will be: 3,740 Khz - 7,090 KHz - 14,290 KHz - 21,360
KHz - 28,390 KHz - Echolink @ JOTA-P / Scout-BR.

JULY 15th to JULY 20th, 24h a day...

PS1J Team

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11th AEGIAN VHF CONTEST

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 09:05 AM PDT
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11th Aegean VHF Contest (6m-2m-70cm)

7th □ 8th of July 2012

official site: www.aegeandxgroup.gr

SPECIAL CALL OF CHIOS ISLAND SZ8XIO/P FROM KM28WN IOTA EU-049

BAND 6M ONLY SSB AND 2M SSB AND FM

73 de sv8gxq

1175. The ARRL Letter for July 5, 2012

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Date: 2012-07-05 20:43:20 UTC
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Due to the Fourth of July holiday, there will be no ARRL Audio News
<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> today.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: COLORADO HAMS PROVIDE DISASTER COMMUNICATIONS
DURING WILDFIRES

Thanks to an extremely dry season, portions of Colorado have been
ravaged by wildfires. As of July 5, only a handful of the fires are
considered extinguished or fully contained, with the majority
considered still active. According to InciWeb, almost 170,000 acres are
affected by 11 active fires. Since June 9 -- when the High Park Fire,
the first of the wildfires began -- hams in Colorado have been
assisting with disaster communications, providing communications
support to the State and served agencies. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/colorado-hams-provide-disaster-communications-durin
g-wildfires>.

==> ON THE AIR: LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD NOW SUPPORTS CQ'S WPX AWARD
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The wait is over! After weeks of beta testing, the ARRL launched the integration of Logbook of The World (LoTW) -- its electronic confirmation system -- with CQ Magazine's Worked All Prefixes (WPX) Award on Monday, July 2. The WPX Award is the first of the CQ-sponsored awards that LoTW will support. More than 51,000 radio amateurs worldwide use Logbook of The World, and there are currently almost 432 million QSOs in the LoTW system. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-launches-logbook-of-the-world-wpx-award-integration>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: TRIO FROM ISS LANDS SAFELY IN KAZAKHSTAN

Three members of the Expedition 31 crew undocked from the International Space Station and returned safely to Earth Sunday, July 1, wrapping up a mission that lasted almost seven months. Russian Commander Oleg Kononenko, RN3DX, along with NASA Flight Engineer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, and European Space Agency Flight Engineer Andre Kuipers, PI9ISS, landed their Soyuz TMA-03M spacecraft in Kazakhstan at 0514 UTC. The trio -- who arrived at the station December 23, 2011 -- spent a total of 193 days in space, 191 of which were aboard the ISS. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/trio-from-iss-lands-safely-in-kazakhstan>.

==> ON THE AIR: THE IARU HF CHAMPIONSHIP HEATS UP THE SUMMER

Radiosport fans are gearing up for the summer's biggest HF competition: the IARU HF World Championship <http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship>. This 24 hour long contest is the highlight of the summer HF contesting season, with plenty of opportunity to work DX from all around the globe on CW and SSB. Participants also get the chance to make QSOs with many IARU Member Society club stations and officials.

"The IARU HF Championship is one of radio sport's unique events," said ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X. "It's the only major contest that uses International Telecommunication Union (ITU <http://www.itu.int/>) zones <http://iaru.org/ituzonesc.gif> as part of the exchange, and the only contest that gives special multiplier status for IARU Member-Society stations and their officials."

Hams can get in on the fun in a variety of ways. You may choose to enter as either a single operator, using either SSB only, CW only or a mixture of both modes. Single operator stations can choose from three power levels: High Power (greater than 150 W), Low Power (between 5 and 150 W) or QRP (5 W or less). You can also get some friends together at one station and participate as a Multioperator station with a single transceiver.

One of the fun things to do is see how many of the IARU special stations you can work during the event. "While most stations give their ITU zone as part of the contest exchange, IARU Member-Society stations give the abbreviation for their IARU society name, such as "ARRL" for W1AW," Kutzko explained. "In addition, IARU officials can give one of

four unique exchanges: AC if they are on the IARU Administrative Council, or R1, R2 or R3 for the ITU Region that official serves. It is always special to see so many nations represented on the air by their national organization. It reinforces the global nature of Amateur Radio and the common bonds we all have as amateurs."

The IARU HF World Championship <http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship> begins at 1200 UTC Saturday, July 14 and goes until 1200 UTC Sunday, July 15. Complete rules may be found online <http://www.arrl.org/contests>. Logs may be submitted via e-mail <iaruhf@iaru.org>; paper logs should be mailed to IARU International Secretariat, Box 310905, Newington, CT 06111-0905 USA. All logs must be e-mailed or postmarked no later than 1200 UTC August 14, 2012.

==> FCC NEWS: CALIFORNIA HAM CITED $17,000 FOR OPERATING UNLICENSED RADIO STATION

On July 2, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture and Order in the amount of $17,000, accusing Brian R. Ragan, KF6EGI, of Suisun City, California, of "apparently willfully and repeatedly violating" the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on frequency 104.9 MHz and failing to allow an inspection of his station by FCC personnel. The Commission said that Ragan, "as a licensed Amateur Radio operator for at least six years, [he] should be aware that any radio equipment at his station must be made available for inspection at any time when requested by the FCC, and also should be aware of the proper operation of his amateur station in accordance with the Rules." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/california-ham-cited-for-operating-unlicensed-radio-station>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of June -- takes a look at the new 9 cm band plan and a proposed 23 cm band plan, education and resource grants to schools, nominations for Director and Vice Director in five ARRL Divisions, W1AW's spring antenna inspections, the ARRL VEC preparations for the new Amateur Extra class exam, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-47>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "A firework, a dancing flame <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uuwfgXD8qV8>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity jumped way up this week, with average daily sunspot numbers increasing by nearly 92 points to 118.1, while the average daily solar flux rose to 138.5 from 92.8 the week before. One new sunspot group appeared on June 29, another on July 1 and two more on

July 4. Geomagnetic activity this week was concentrated on June 30-July 2, and the causes were the usual suspects: solar flares and solar wind spewing from coronal holes. One unusual aspect was that the mid-latitude A index, measured in Virginia, was actually higher on July 3-4 than the planetary A index, which is usually higher than mid-latitude numbers. The planetary A index is made up of an aggregate of data from multiple geomagnetic observatories. The outlook for the near term is for increasing activity over the next few days, with solar flux at 155 on July 5, 160 on July 6-7, 155 and 150 on July 8-9, 145 on July 10-11, then 140, 135, 130, 125 and 110 on July 12-16. Solar flux is expected to dip below 100 on July 19-22. The planetary A index is expected at 8 on July 5-8, 10 on July 9, 7 on July 10 and 5 on July 11-26, followed by another active period with planetary A index at 20 on July 27-28 and 15 on July 29-30. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, July 6. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Katy Perry's Part of Me <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Part_of_Me_%28Katy_Perry_song%29>.

==> ARRL RECOGNIZES: DENNIS JOHNSON, KF0QR, WINS JUNE QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the June QST Cover Plaque Award is Dennis Johnson, KF0QR, for his article "A 160 and 75/80 Meter Folded Dipole." Congratulations Dennis! The QST Cover Plaque Award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the July issue today.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- July 6 -- NCCC Sprint
- July 7-8 -- Venezuelan Independence Day Contest; DL-DX RTTY Contest; Original QRP Contest; PODXS 070 Club 40 Meter Firecracker Sprint (local time)
- July 8 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest; QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint
- July 9 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- July 11-12 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- July 14 -- FISTS Summer Sprint
- July 14-15 -- IARU HF World Championship
- July 15 -- CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush
- July 19 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update

<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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1176. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 5 July 2012

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Date: 2012-07-06 02:09:57 UTC
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Maui Prep amateur radio enthusiasts broadcasting around the world - Lahaina
News

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 09:49 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF8NfaAJFPxvN2xN-K9iqJMkQwwEg&url=http://www.lahainanews.com/page/content.detail/id/508328/Maui-Prep-amateur-radio-enthusiasts-broadcasting-around-the-world.html?nav%3D19

Maui Prep amateur radio enthusiasts broadcasting around the world
Lahaina News
Our three test-takers have now earned their amateur (ham) radio licenses
and are now contacting hams from around the world from the Maui Prep
Amateur Radio Club station located in a classroom on our beautiful campus,"
explained former Maui Prep ...

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Erin King AK4JG Named 2012 YHOTY: - eHam.net

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 06:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFIgcrW5yVXjYsjBqL6ihXEyMgZUw&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28579

Erin King AK4JG Named 2012 YHOTY:
eHam.net
eHam.net Article: Erin King AK4JG Named 2012 YHOTY: - (Santa Clarita,
California) – Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who
re-founded her high schools radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying
balloon to over 90000 feet ...

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Ham radio operators help - Pueblo Chieftain

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 11:15 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFby7yWLJ-DlK2WWCLXDRPTYAJHQg&url=http://www.chieftain.com/news/local/ham-radio-operators-help/article_eaffc73a-c64b-11e1-97c3-0019bb2963f4.html

Ham radio operators help
Pueblo Chieftain
A 24-hour test helped local ham radio operators hone emergency skills and,
in the blink of an eye, they were put to the test at the Waldo Canyon
Fire. "With little or no sleep, we were contacted by the Amateur Radio
Emergency Service District Manager ...

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Huntsville area ham radio operators have a 'fun' time during a mock disaster ... - al.com (blog)

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 06:32 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHC1vnByB2I_Yn_KwoQbVwCsSU-Aw&url=http://blog.al.com/breaking/2012/06/huntsville_area_ham_radio_oper.html

CBS Local
Huntsville area ham radio operators have a fun time during a mock disaster ...
al.com (blog)
Enlarge Dave Dieter Field Day is the climax of the week-long "Amateur Radio Week for the national association for Amateur Radio. Using only emergency power supplies, ham operators constructed emergency stations at the US Space & Rocket Center ...
Ham radio fans have a Field DayVentura County Star
Amateur radio operators participate in field dayJanesville Gazette
Ham radio operators stay in practiceBlueRidgeNow.com
Hilton Head Island Packet -KY3 -Anderson Independent Mail
all 290 news articles

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #27: - eHam.net

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 06:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGS33PojETXIgmVxK5HdMVTuWfUnQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28587

DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #27:
eHam.net
... information provided by QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all. - eHam.net is a Web site dedicated to ham radio (amateur radio).

and more

1177. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 6 July 2012

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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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DXCC-East Convention, Aug. 25, 2012 - Frederick, Maryland (For DXers and Contesters)

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 07:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352719-DXCC-East-Convention-Aug-25-2012-Frederick-Maryland-(For-DXers-and-Contesters)&goto=newpost

I look forward to see all that can make it to the 1st DXCC-East Convention in Frederick, Maryland on Saturday, August 25, 2012, 8:30 AM to 9:00 PM. We have a full day planned with dinner, great speakers and three Grand Prizes (IC-7600, FT-2000 and ACOM-1010) plus more.

Website: www.dxcceast.com

If you live in Maryland, Wash. DC, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and PA, you should not miss this event. No matter where you live, you are welcome to visit our wonderful state. It is our plan to make this event like the Visalia convention only on the east coast. Any money made from this evening will be used to support DX related activities (i.e. dx-pedition donations, educations and training and youth development).

As of today, July 4 we have 61 confirmed people for the dinner from 10 states and two countries.

Our goal is to have 150 - Please Please come join us in making this a successful event!

Sincerely,

David Collingham - K3LP

NCDXA President

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www.DXCCEAST.com

www.K3LP.com

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Batavia, NY Hamfest

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 10:56 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352658-Batavia-NY-Hamfest&goto=newpost

Batavia Hamfest

Saturday - July 21, 2012

Alexander Firemen Grounds

10708 Alexander Road (Route 98)

just south of Alexander

$5.00 admission and free tailgating

..Outdoor Flea Market - 6am - till - Same venue as prior years

Buy / Sell - VE Exam - Ham radio vendors - and electronic equipment

1178. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JULY 8 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-07-08.mp3
Text edition:

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JULY 8 2012.

Georg Schneider, VK2FDW SKEY (txt edition)

Joining us this week is Mal Brooks, VK3FDSL for the WIA along with VK4ERM and
VK3KI WIA President

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JULY 08 2012.

DO NOT RESPOND.

If you receive an email supposedly from wia about upgrades DO NOT RESPOND

The mail reads something like "This is to inform you that we are upgrading
the (wia.org.au) webmail system for an increase in storage quota. To
re-validate and increase your webmail account please click the link below."

IT IS SPAM.

If need be in the future we do need an upgrade it will be announced in the
AUDIO news service or on the WIA FRONTPAGE NEWS.

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Greetings Everyone, from the President and Board of the WIA.

Several amateurs have contacted the WIA asking what is the WIA Board going to do about the significant increase in amateur licence fees. Of note is advice received from the ACMA that the Amateur Radio Licence fee has increased from $67.00 to $72.00 as of the 1st July 2012.

This increase was mooted in late November last year, communicated to the amateur community by the WIA and is now published in ACMA document 'Apparatus licence fee schedule 1 July 2012.

Appendix A: Changes to the fee schedule April 2012, to the document highlights the role of the Consumer Price Index on apparatus licence tax. This ACMA publication can be read in its entirety on the WIA website at:

wia.org.au/members/legislation/other/documents/licence_fee_schedule-1july2012.pdf

Two components are considered in determining the cost of an amateur licence. Firstly, the actual costs incurred by the ACMA in managing the system, and, secondly, a tax component linked to CPI as explained earlier.

The Commonwealth 'Cost Recovery Guidelines', requires the ACMA to increase the management cost component by the cost increases it has incurred. Hence, the proposal, in November 2011, to increase the cost of amateur licences by $5 which became effective on 1 July 2012.

The WIA is similarly required to operate under the 'Cost Recovery Guidelines. The cost increases proposed by the ACMA are factual and answers the question 'Has the cost incurred by the ACMA in providing a service increased and if so by how much?' It is unlikely the ACMA is unable to demonstrate the cost increase it has identified.

As much as we may feel resentful and upset by the increase in our licence fees they are based on sound principles of Cost Recovery to which the WIA is required to comply as is the ACMA.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board

Licence fee variation -- has increased from $41.00 to $49.00

Annual fee -- $72.00
2 years ---- $141.00
3 years ---- $209.00
4 years ---- $277.00
5 years ---- $346.00

These changes are effective as of 1st July.

Regards

WIA Office

This is Mal Brooks, VK3FDSL for the WIA

Last month the WIA Board announced that the 2012 Club Grant Scheme would continue with a maximum sum of $6,000 to be distributed this year. As a result of the discussion at the recent Open Forum, new Rules have been adopted with a much simpler and wider test for a Grant.

For a project to receive a Grant it must be considered by the Grant Committee and the Board to be sufficiently useful for any one or more of amateur radio, the Affiliated Club or the WIA to justify the making of a Grant.

The new Rules are on the Affiliated Club section of the WIA website, (HTTP://WWW.WIA.ORG.AU) together with an application form

To be eligible for consideration, an application for a Grant must be lodged by Monday 20 August 2012.

This is Michael Owen VK3Ki WIA President.

Let me update you on the 70 Cm band.

Internationally, the 420 - 430 MHz part of the 70 cm band exists by a footnote allocating the band on a secondary basis to amateur only in the USA, Jamaica, the Philippines and Australia.

In fact, use of the part of the 70 cm band 420 to 430 MHZ in Australia has been restricted to Advanced licensees and further restricted by various exclusion zones in NSW, the ACT, and the Jervis Bay area, Sydney, Perth and Melbourne.

In April 2008 the WIA reported on the public consultation by the ACMA in respect of its review of the band 403 - 520 MHz.

>From the outset it was obvious that the amateur band 420 - 450 MHz would be affected. Fairly early on, the bands 430 - 450 MHz was announced to be "out of scope" for the review. However, the ACMA has indicated that segment from 440-450 MHz may be used on a temporary basis by displaced land mobile services until they are relocated during the transition phase.

In September 2008 the WIA reported on the release of the submissions received by the ACMA, and in June 2010 the WIA further reported on the ACMA's announcements.

An examination of the WIA 70 Cm Band Plan shows that the band 420 - 430 MHz is largely "Restricted".

The band is allocated in Australia to radiolocation and mobile as primary, and that primary mobile use is by government networks supporting essential and emergency networks supporting police, fire and ambulance. That use commenced in 1999, and since 2009 the Council of Australian Governments has supported interoperability and harmonisation of those services.

The only real problem that the withdrawal of this segment creates is that there are a number of repeater link assignments that will need to be moved by 1st January 2013. There are some 34 licensees affected, mainly clubs.

In addition, there are other amateur repeater links that may be able to operate beyond that date, and the WIA is currently negotiating with the appropriate parties. When the matter is clarified, the WIA will also be in contact with the relevant licensees.

While the ACMA will be formally writing to the affected licensees, the WIA has undertaken to contact each licensee as soon as it is able to do so, to ascertain whether there are any special difficulties in moving and to ensure that the WIA repeater frequency coordination is available to assist as required.

Despite the issues yet to be resolved, the ACMA has advised the WIA that the band 420 to 430 MHz will be withdrawn as a secondary allocation at least for general amateur use from 1st January 2013.

SILENT KEY

It is with a great deal of sadness that we inform you of one of the gentlemen of Ham Radios passing, Mr Georg Schneider, VK2FDW from Wallsend in Newcastle.

Georg was 87 years of age.

Georg passed away on Wednesday 27th of June from a heart attack.

Georg had only recently moved to Wallsend from Stockton in Newcastle where after a considerable hassle with local council managed to finally get approval to install his Nally tower and his 4 element triband antenna.

Georg had a network of radio friends in the USA that gave him a great amount of pleasure to keep in touch with these friends from his new QTH, on his new antenna system.

There will be a memorial service for Georg on the 11th of July at Pettigrew Funerals of Wallsend at midday.

Submitted by Grahame O'Brien VK2FA on behalf of Charlie Hunt VK2CLH

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

W1A CELEBRATES TELSTAR AT 50

July 7, a celebration of the world's first telecommunications satellite.

This date is when the Radio Adventurers of Maine activates the callsign W 1 A to commemorate the first messages through the Telstar bird.

They will be operating on site at the Andover, Maine
satellite facility, the original earth station which
broadcast the first messages via Telstar was uplinked on
July 10th, 1962. The clubs commemorative operation will
begin at 1300 UTC on both 40 and 20 meter phone. Other
bands will be added as propagation allows.
QSL as directed on the air.

ETHERKIT RELEASES QRSS BEACON KIT

Etherkit which is a new amateur radio kit company devoted to open source hardware, has released its first product.

Called OpenBeacon, it is described as an open source crystal-controlled QRP beacon transmitter kit which can output a variety of slow-speed modes.

These include QRSS, DFCW, and Sequential Multi-tone Hellschreiber.

More information is on-line at etherkit.com

Amateur Radio Newsline celebrates 35th anniversary

America's most highly-respected ham radio news service is marking something of a milestone. AR Newsline has just celebrated its 35th anniversary.

Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF writes:

In talking with Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, we realized that this week's newscast marks the 35th anniversary of the Amateur Radio Newsline.

I find it hard to believe that we have survived all of these years and that we are as fervent about what we do today as we were when Jim Hendershot, WA6VQP, and I produced that very first newscast -- then known as the Westlink Amateur Radio news -- some 1,820 weeks ago.

Thank you all for being a part of the Amateur Radio Newsline family.

Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF
Producer, etc..

NEW DATA TRANSFER METHOD PROMISES UP TO 2.5 TB PER SECOND

We have reported the basics on this earlier this year now further as American and Israeli scientists developed a new technology of wirelessly transmitting data using twisted beams of light that could produce a theoretical throughput of 2.5 terabits per second.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the story of the science making this possible:

The new method of high speed data transfer reportedly uses orbital angular momentum or O-A-M to increase the amount of information that can be carried by a single stream. To accomplish this feat, the researchers twisted together eight 300 Gigabytes per second visible light data streams using O-A-M technology over a space of one meter to achieve speeds of 2.5 terabits per second. The development comes just one month after it was finally proved that orbital angular momentum is actually possible.

Using this new orbital angular momentum technology an infinite number of conventional transmission protocols such as Wi-Fi and LTE, can be twisted together for faster speeds

without the need for more spectrum. For perspective, that's more than 8,000 times faster than the fastest home Internet connection at 300 Megabytes per second.

The development team says that it will be working increasing the transmission distance which currently at only 1 meter. The theoretical distance limit for this new method is likely to be less than one kilometre. At least in the foreseeable future.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heater Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Berwick, Pennsylvania

You can read more on-line at tinyurl.com/super-speed-data

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

Troubleshooting is a skill that has to be learnt. Part of getting my Foundation License included a module on the skill. I've been working with complicated equipment for decades and to me, an amateur radio kit really isn't that complex.

As you might know, I've got a portable kit. I've set it up at least 50 or so times in the last year. I know this system backwards, still every now and then something unexpected happens.

Twice now, my own gear has surprised me. A couple of weeks ago I went on air to join a regular net. I tuned to the appropriate frequency and made my call, but I couldn't hear anyone. I called again, still nothing. I looked at the frequency, all as expected. The voltage was fine, I could see my SWR meter working as expected, when I keyed the mike, all was normal. I looked at the clock to make sure that I wasn't on the wrong time-zone. I turned up the volume, still nothing.

I tuned to another frequency, nothing. In fact, apart from the fact that I knew the volume was up, there was remarkably little noise to be heard at all. Then I checked the squelch. Hmm, well, if you turn it all the way, then it won't let anything through. I fixed it, and low and behold, there everyone was.

This morning, my transceiver surprised me again, in a completely different way. My normal antenna mount is a mag-mount, but the connector came off last week, so I used a bracket instead, ran my normal RG58 back to my radio, plugged it in and had a listen. I tuned to the local Air Traffic Information Service to get the local weather and heard nothing, thought nothing of it, changed to my memories and hit scan. After a bit, I heard someone on the local repeater. I keyed my mike and the SWR went through the roof.

That's weird.

I thought about my antenna connection, I knew that the bracket end was tight, I'd just climbed up a ladder to make it so, but what about this end? All I'd done is plug in a BNC. What about the adapter that goes from BNC to N-type? Turns out it had come loose in transit. Tightened it up, tuned to the ATIS, heard that, tuned to the repeater and all was well.

Just because you know it's right doesn't mean it really is.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

ZL NZART Memorial Contest July First full weekend
VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW ALARA August 25-26
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

ALARA CONTEST 25th and 26th August 2012

All licensed operators throughout the world are invited to participate.
Also open to SWLs.

YL works everyone, OMs & Clubs work YLs only.

One contest (combined phone and CW) run over 20 hours.

Saturday 25th August 2012 ---- 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC

Sunday 26th August 2012----- 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC

Bands to be used are 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 28 MHz only.

The following are suggested frequencies for easier location of contacts:
28.38 to 28.41
21.17 to 21.2 and 21.38 to 21.41
14.25 to 14.28
7.07 to 7.1
3.56 to 3.59

(Jean Fisher VK3VIP President & State rep (VK3) for A.L.A.R.A.)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

VK 100 WIQ - Celebrating 100 Years of Organised Amateur Radio in Queensland to July 30th 2012, various clubs about Queensland in 3 day blocks are still activating.

CELEBRATING THE TOUR DE FRANCE CYCLING RACE 2012

Keep an ear open for special event station GB4TDF.

This to coincide with the 2012 Tour de France bicycle race.

The special event station began operation on June 26th and terminates
on July 23rd.

A special commemorative QSL card will be available. More is on QRZ.com
under GB4TDF.

The actual Tour de France cycling event started on June 30 and ends July 22.

(sourced to ArnewsLine)

PT0S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks

The DXpedition will take place in late November to mid-December.
The actual dates will depend on weather conditions.

There had been an official ban on Amateur Radio activities from PY 0 S.
Although the ban, which was created for environmental and safety reasons,
remains in place, a special permit by Brazil's S.E.C.I.R.M.
the Brazilian Navy, Ministry of Environment and LABRE to conduct a two week
long operation.

(SouthGate)

GB2VET - the special event station celebrating the army, navy and air force
reunion in the UK - is coming up again, the 10th Anniversary, at the end of
July, 27-28-29th.

(SouthGate)

CG3B - War of 1812 Bicentennial

Dave, VE3FOI, will use the special event callsign CG3B during the entire
month of July to celebrate the Bicentennial (200 years) of Peace between
the United States of America and Canada after the war of 1812, during various
Bicentennial functions in the Niagara on the Lake area, Ontario.

A special QSL card is available via the Bureau, attention VE3FOI.

This will be the first of many special event stations between 2012 and 2014
regarding the Bi-Centennial.

The Niagara Peninsula ARC takes pleasure in providing this special call sign
for General Issac Brock.

[RAC]

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

New OSCAR-7 DX record

Wyatt AC 0 RA and Bill OM 3 BD have broken the AMSAT-OSCAR 7 long distance
record set in 2010

Their GPS-measured 7849km QSO between grid squares EN31vx and JN88mf
surpassed the prior 7843km record set in 2010.

Bill says that Wyatt did all the hard work by waking up at 3am, driving to a hill an hour away from his home, setting up his station, and working Bill before sunrise at 0955 UT on July 2.

It appears that an even longer distance is attainable, and Wyatt is looking for a suitable place from which they can try before Bill leaves Slovakia in mid-July.

Further information, pictures and recordings of the contact at qsl.net/nz5n/AO7record.htm

(SouthGate)

Radio hams swap places on the ISS

Three Expedition 32 crew members to the International Space Station are scheduled to launch aboard the Soyuz TMA-05M from the Baikonur Space Centre in Kazakhstan on July 15.

The Expedition 32 crew members are NASA astronaut Suni Williams KD5PLB, cosmonaut Yury Malenchenko RK3DUP and Japanese astronaut Aki Hoshide KE5DNI.

The trio has been passing tests at the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Centre in Star City, outside of Moscow.

They will join Expedition 31's NASA astronaut Joe Acaba KE5DAR and cosmonauts Gennady Padalka RN3DT and Sergei Revin RN3BS on board the orbiting outpost.

Meanwhile, fellow Expedition 31 members cosmonaut Oleg RN3DX and NASA's Don Pettit KD5MDT and Andre Kuipers PI9ISS returned to Earth on July 1.

(SOUTHGATE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

OC-227.

Operator Lyn, VK4SWE, a resident of Sweers Island, plans to once again be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest July 28-29th.

OC-177.

YE0M from Kaliage Besar Island, in the Seribu Islands July 6-9th.
Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including 6 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY.
QSL via YB1GJS.

(sourced to TARCnews)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

ITU interview with Hans Zimmermann HB9AQS

The International Telecommunication Union have released an interview with Hans, IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications

The opinions expressed in ITU interviews are those of the interviewees and do not necessarily represent those of the ITU.

Watch ITU INTERVIEWS @ TDAG:
Hans Zimmermann, International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)

(SouthGate)

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- SUMMITS ON THE AIR
www.sotawatch.org
www.sota.org.uk

Youngest Mountain Goat

The youngest person in the UK, and probably further afield, to have achieved Mountain Goat status in the Summits on the Air (SOTA) awards programme is Jimmy Read M3EYP.

Jimmy (19), started trekking up the hills with his dad Tom M1EYP back in 2002 when he was 10 years old, and quickly developed an interest in hillwalking and amateur radio.

After studying for and gaining his Foundation amateur radio licence back in 2005, Jimmy went on to become a very keen "activator" of the summits. Activators need to make a minimum of four contacts from a summit in order to qualify for the points on offer, which are broadly proportional to the height of the hill or mountain.

He completed his mission towards 1000 points with a long day out in the Shropshire hills on Saturday 10th March 2012, in which he transmitted from the tops of Brown Clee Hill, Titterstone Clee Hill, Long Mynd and Stiperstones. Finally, just over the Welsh border, an activation of Corndon Hill gave him the final five points he needed to pass through the magical 1000 points mark.

Jimmy celebrated the milestone with a bottle of ale on the summit.

(SOURCED TO SOUTHGATE)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JUL 7- 8 VK3 GippsTech 2012, Monash University Gippsland Campus Churchill.

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-06 09:00:12 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120706090003.6B21C33C94@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2646
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1821 - July 6 2012

Please note that this is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline bulletin and contains three breaks. Newscast begins following the tone.

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1821 with a release date of July 6, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds as a severe weather outbreak hits the Mid-West and Mid-Atlantic U-S; a new D-X record is set using the ageing Amsat Oscar 7 satellite; a big tower victory in Nevada and Erin King, AK4JG is named the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1821 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS AS WINDSTORM HITS MID WEST AND MID ATLANTIC STATES

The governors of several states have declared emergencies as temperatures rose in the aftermath of powerful storms that swept through the mid-Atlantic region Friday night, July 29th. The storm did damage from Indiana to New Jersey, although the bulk of its destruction was felt in West Virginia, Washington and suburban Virginia and Maryland. Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, begins our coverage of this severe weather outbreak and whats known about the ham radio response thus far:

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A "super derecho" of violent thunderstorms left a more than 700-mile trail of destruction across the Midwest and mid-Atlantic on Friday, cutting power to millions and killing thirteen people.

A derecho is defined as a widespread and long-lived wind storm that accompanies rapidly moving showers or thunderstorms. The most severe derechos are given the adjective "super."

Winds gusted to 91 mph, equal to that of a category 1 hurricane, at the Fort Wayne International Airport, Ind., on Friday afternoon. Winds gusts were recorded at 72 mph at the repeater site KT8APR, which is located at WLIO Television on Lima Ohio's west side.

According to WLIO's Chief Meteorologist, Kyle Adams, on Sunday, July 1st , "Thousands here in West Central Ohio are still w/o power. According to the AEP website over 600,000 people in Ohio have no power. They are comparing the magnitude of the event to the remnants of Hurricane Ike that came through in September of 2008. They are saying power that all power is expected to be restored in 5-7 days."

As the storm moved to the east-southeast lightning and high winds of more than 80 mile per hour, knocked down transmission structures, poles, power lines and trees across AEP Ohio's service territory. The central Ohio counties of Franklin, Delaware and Licking were the hardest hit, with approximately 345,000 customers affected.

Statistically, on Sunday, July 1st, 112,760 were without power in Indiana. 140,461 were without power in Kentucky. In Ohio and West Virginia the number climbed to more than 600,000. As the storm strengthened Virginia had over 2.5 million people out of power, and Maryland has more than 1.3 million out of power.

Hams performed multifaceted roles from local discussion between each other, some relaying storm information to the National Weather Service, and others using advanced ham technology to relay data on the storm, and reports of damage to authorities. Hams in counties where storms raged called repeaters to the east, warning them of what they would be experiencing, allowing them to mobilize before the storm hit.

President Obama declared an emergency exists in the State of Ohio Saturday and ordered federal aid to assist state and local efforts due to the emergency conditions from severe storms. Now a second serious situation is unfolded from Indiana to the mid-Atlantic where millions remain without power and temperatures are once again soaring. Temperatures in the south are expected to hit 110 degrees or more.

Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, in Lima Ohio

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Meantime in Indiana:

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Indiana's heat wave broke for a short time when strong storms raced across the north central part of the state causing wide spread damage. The train of severe storm cells brought hail and high winds that toppled trees and snapped power lines leaving thousands of Hoosiers in the dark and without power.

Fort Wayne, Indiana was one of the hardest hit areas. Strong winds up rooted large trees and cracked power poles isolating neighborhoods with downed power lines and tree branches. Allen County hams responded with emergency communications as Ft Wayne police and fire frequencies became jammed with news of wide spread damage. Many reported dozens of traffic lights without power throwing traffic into a city wide grid lock. Now one week after the storm officials report nearly ten

thousand people still without power as daytime temperatures hover in the 98 degree range. Power crews from as far away as Oklahoma have arrived to help with the electrical problems.

Dozens of Red Cross blood drives have been cancelled in the wake of the storms, resulting in a shortfall of more than 1,000 potential blood donations leading into the 4th of July holiday. The Allen County Red Cross opened shelters for those without power.

In Hamilton and Tipton counties, just Southwest of ft Wayne amateur radio operators quickly scrambled to deal with the pop up storms. There were reports of wide spread wind damage across the two counties. Skywarn operators in Hamilton county relayed one report about a tree that had fallen on a car in Tipton county. Other counties in central and eastern Indiana reported only Skywarn activity as the rapidly building storms raced eastward into the Buckeye state.

Reporting from Indianapolis, this is Jack Parker , W8ISH.
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More on this story as information becomes available. (W8HDU, W8ISH, ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM RADIO AND THE INTERNET: QRZ.COM GOES OFF LINE DUE TO AMAZON CLOUD FAILURE

The same storm that wrought havoc across the mid-West and Mid-Atlantic States also took its toll on the Internet including one very popular ham radio website. According to Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, who owns QRZ.com, the severe weather lead to an outage of what is known as Amazon's Elastic Compute Cloud center in North Virginia. The result was that services such as Netflix, Pinterest, Instagram, and other popular sites including QRZ became unavailable just after midnight Eastern time on Saturday June 30th.

According to a posting on QRZ by AA7BQ after service was restored, Amazon's service health dashboard indicated that there were power issues in its North Virginia data center. He said that the outage did not affect his servers but did cause a complete database failure. After waiting all night for Amazon to restore the QRZ.com data, he restored information from an automated backup.

According to Lloyd, the outage underscores the vulnerabilities of depending on the public cloud versus having your own data center. For those who have never heard the term Cloud computing, it is the delivery of computation and storage capacity as a service to a community of end recipients. As such, Cloud computing entrusts services with a user's data, software and computation over a network. The name comes from the use of a cloud-shaped symbol to signify the service. (QRZ.com, Wikipedia)
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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: A NEW RECORD FOR THE AGEING AO-7 SATELLITE

A new DX record has been achieved on the ageing OSCAR-7 ham radio satellite. This between Wyatt Dirks, AC0RA, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Bill Dzurilla, OM3BD, in the Slovak Republic.

Their GPS-measured 7849 kilometer QSO between grid squares EN31vx and JN88mf surpassed the prior 7843 kilometer record set by Luciano Fabricio, PY5LF, and Joe Spandler, K3SZH, by 6 kilometers back in 2010. Take a listen to what a record breaking weak signal satellite contact sounds like after a bit of digital audio magic on our part:

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Contact audio: Please download this weeks MP3 newscast at www.arnewsline.org to hear part of the contact.

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To make this record happen Wyatt had to wake up at 3 a.m., drive to a hill an hour away from his home, set up his station, and work OM3BD before sunrise at 09:55 UTC on July 2nd. To make the path, OM3BD was running a Yaesu FT847 with SP2000 preamp fed by a pair of 10 element yagis on 2 meters, and an 8 element yagi for 70 cm. On this side of the Atlantic AC0RA also used a Yaesu FT-847 transceiver with a 7 element yagi on 2 meters and a 12 element yagi on 70cm.

It appears that an even longer distance is attainable. Wyatt says that he is looking for a suitable place from which they can try before Bill leaves Slovakia in mid July. We'll keep you posted.

More is on-line at tinyurl.com/ao7-dx-record. (Southgate)

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BREAK 1

Celebrating 35 years of uninterrupted service to the world-wide ham radio community, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA4TEN repeater serving Bremerton, Washington.

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YHOTY 2012: ERIN KING, AK4JG, NAMED AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE 2012 YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who re-founded her high school's radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying balloon to over 90,000 feet, recovered the flight data and used it to produce a truly striking video of that flight, has been named as recipient of the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award. Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, is here with the details:

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Whoa, thank you. That's awesome! Ahhh...that's really cool! Thank you so much, I'm very excited!"

And that the reaction from Amateur Radio Newsline's Young Ham of the Year winner Erin King upon learning in a telephone call that she had been selected as this year's winner of the prestigious award.

Erin, who is the daughter of Paul, K4ETY, and Patricia King, of Columbus, has been a ham since only 2009 and holds an Extra Class license.

Erin says, ironically, she was in attendance at last year's Huntsville Hamfest where the Young Ham of the Year Award is presented, and never dreamed she'd be the one nominated and chosen to receive the next one...

"I went to Huntsville and saw the young ham last year and I was like 'that is so awesome,' " You know I feel so happy for her and everything and I'm just flabbergasted. "I thought that I would not be eligible anymore and I'd like forgotten about it and now that this just came out of nowhere and I'm super excited. Thank you so much."

Erin just graduated from Columbus High School and got involved in her freshman year in a program that would turn her focus to technology...

"When I went there, I got involved in robotics and I got interested in computer science and electrical engineering," Erin recalls. "I joined a program called the space program, which eventually led to how I started to get involved with ham radio.

"But then, after that, I got more involved in computer science as well, computer science classes and applied to MIT and that's where I'll be going to college next year. I was accepted 'early action' MIT and I'll be studying computer science and electrical engineering there and I'm also going to be joining the ham radio club that they have there."

Erin says ham radio came naturally...

"My teacher was a ham and he was my robotics coach as well and I went on a couple of balloon launches with him after I got my tech license I continued doing balloon stuff and that was really how I got involved with it," Erin explains. "It was like the cool thing that really exposed me to it to begin with.

"And then after that I joined two local radio clubs and I upgraded my license to General the next year and then Extra last year and I've had some fun outside of ballooning.

"Since then I've done some Field Day, a little bit of contesting, the school club roundup is something that I've done a couple of years.

"And I started a club at my school with the call sign W4CHS, for Columbus High School." Erin really got some attention when she got her

acceptance to MIT in a mailing tube. The school suggested the students "hack their tubes," meaning do something cool with them."

Erin did just that using her ballooning and ham radio skills to send her tube to the edge of space equipped with a camera, GPS units and a radio for APRS tracking and a parachute for the fall to earth.

She produced a video that's posted on You Tube. You can find the link <http://tinyurl.comak4jg-space-video> at our website, arnewsline.org.

Erin says right now, amateur radio is something she shares with her dad, but there is a link in her mom's family to the hobby.

"My dad actually kind of inherited my great-grandfather's call sign -K4ETY is my mom's grandfather's call sign that he had," Erin says. "And I never met him, but there's just kind of an interesting fun family fact."

Erin says she's hoping to get her sister, Rachel, who's 15, interested in amateur radio. She says her 16-year-old brother, Brandon, really doesn't demonstrate desire to jump in just yet. Erin says she's a well-rounded person, who not only enjoys space, but, the undersea world as well.

"Scuba diving is something that I started a couple of years ago with my mom and my sister and my brother just got certified last year," Erin says. "And, it's really fun and that's kind of something that not a lot of people know about me is that I'm a certified scuba diver as well as a ham radio operator."

So congratulations to Erin King, AK4JG, Amateur Radio Newsline's latest Young Ham of the Year!

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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The 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) "Young Ham of the Year Award" will be presented to Erin King, AK4JG, on Saturday, August 18th at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama. We hope to see many of you there. (ARNewsline(tm), YHOTY Judging Committee)

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PROPAGATION: LARGE SUNSPOT ERUPTS ON THE SOLAR DISK

Space Weather reports that a strong solar flare has erupted on the face of the Sun.

According to the solar forecast reporting service a large, active sunspot named AR1515 is growing on the Earth looking side of the solar disk. On the morning of July 2nd it erupted, producing an M5.6-class solar flare that ionized Earth's upper atmosphere with a brief but intense pulse of X-rays and extreme ultraviolet radiation.

SpaceWeather says that more eruptions are in the offing as the sunspot turns more toward Earth. These will likely affect radio wave propagation on most of the frequencies used by radio amateurs and other radio based communicators.

For more information, including a video, and updates check spaceweather.com (SpaceWeather)

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RADIO LAW: NEVADA HAM WINS LIMITED TOWER VICTORY

A happy ending to a long court battle involving the right of a Nevada ham radio operator to install towers and antennas on his own property.

You may remember back about four years ago when Tom Taromina, K5RC, and the W7RN Comstock Memorial Station crew were in the midst of a big antenna project on Tom's 10-acre homestead outside of Virginia City. Taromina had obtained a building permit for two rotating monopoles. The bases had been installed, and there were other existing antenna structures on the property.

Suddenly, the County issued a Stop Work Order on grounds that were never clear. The US District Court would later write: "The court is sympathetic to Plaintiff's frustration with the county's inconsistent interpretation of its zoning ordinances."

Now, after two trips to the U.S. District Court, the case is closed and K5RC may erect eight towers. Four of these will be less than 45' tall, and the other four greater than 45 feet. You can read the full text of this big win on-line at tinyurl.com/nevada-antenna-victory. (K7VY)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: NYC HAMS ASSIST AT HAWAIIAN AIRLINES LIBERTY CHALLENGE

Members of the New York City Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Service provided maritime communication support of the recent Hawaiian Airlines Liberty Challenge.

The race took place on June 23rd on the rivers of New York Harbor between the Port of New York and New Jersey. The mission of the ham radio volunteers was to be an additional set of eyes and ears on the rescue and safety boats. Also to ensure that reliable communications was available in case an emergency condition arose on the water.

Team members utilized UHF and VHF repeaters, simplex, and VHF Marine radios to communicate with each other, to pass messages in regard to race setup, operations and to other safety boats. They also were in communications with boats in transit in the harbor, to operators of the Staten Island Ferry and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary.

The radio operators were at this event for 12 hours from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Eastern time. They were stationed on rescue and safety boats, as well as on shore with race officials. (Via e-mail)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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ENFORCEMENT: NORCAL HAM ISSUED $17000 NAL FOR UNLICENSED OPERATION AND FAILURE TO PERMIT STATION INSPECTION

A Northern California amateur radio operator has been issued a $17,000 Notice of Apparent Liability or N-A-L. This, after the FCC accuses him of operating an unlicensed transmitter on 104.9 MHz and refusing to permit an inspection of his station. Amateur Radio Newslines Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has more:

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In its July 2nd Notice of Apparent Liability, the FCC accuses Brian R. Ragan, KF6EGI, of Suisun City, California, of apparently willfully and repeatedly violating the Communications Act of 1934 as Amended. This by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter and failing to allow an inspection of his station by FCC personnel.

According to the FCC order, last February an FCC agent T-hunted a signal on 104.9 MHz to Ragan's residence. About two weeks later, agents repeated the exercise to locate the source of a signal on the same frequency after hearing the unlicensed station identifying itself over the air using the call letters KBRS. Again the chase took them to where Brian R. Ragan, KF6EGI, lived.

The agents were able to determine that the signal on 104.9 MHz exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 for unlicensed devices. A search of the FCC database showed no authorization issued to Ragan or to anyone else for operation of a broadcast station on 104.9 MHz in Suisun City.

The NAL says that the FCC agents heard the station operating in the garage and attempted to inspect the station, but did not get any response when they knocked on the residence door. At this point the agents posted a Notice of Unlicensed Operation on the front door and departed.

About 48 hours after the Notice was left, a person who identified himself as Brian R. Ragan contacted the FCC concerning the matter. According to the FCC, during the conversation Ragan admitted to operating a broadcast station on frequency 104.9 MHz for six months. He also told the Commission that he was present when the agents were knocking at his door, but was afraid to answer because he heard the

agents say that they were with the FCC.

Now in issuing the proposed fine, the FCC says that Brian R. Ragan by his own admission, consciously operated the station and did so on more than one day. This says the regulatory agency makes the apparent violations of the Communications Act both willful and repeated.

As to the penalties the FCC has not only ordered the monetary $17,000 monetary forfeiture, but has also ordered that Ragan must also submit a written statement pursuant to Section 1.16 of the FCC Rules. This statement must be signed under penalty of perjury and state that he is in full compliance with Section 301 of the Communications Act and is no longer engaged in the unauthorized operation on 104.9 MHz or any other frequency for which he has no license. Also that he will make his authorized amateur station available for inspection as required by the FCC Rules.

While Ragan may request a reduction or cancellation of the $17,000 forfeiture, he must still provide the written statement on or before July 31st. That's also the last date on which he can file an appeal.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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In the text of the Notice of Apparent Liability the Commission said that Ragan, as a licensed Amateur Radio operator for at least six years, should gave known that any radio equipment at his station must be made available for inspection at any time when requested by the FCC. Also he should be aware of the proper operation of his amateur station in accordance with the FCC's Rules. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: TWO IN BOSTON FINED $15000 EACH FOR UNLICENSED RADIO BROADCASTING

Two unlicensed broadcasters in Massachusetts will have to pay fines of $15,000 each. This after the FCC turns down both of their appeals. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is here with the details:

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The FCC has dismissed as late a pair of petitions for reconsideration from Lloyd Morris and Robert Brown whom the FCC alleges operated an unlicensed radio station in Boston, Massachusetts.

In 2010 the agency had fined each man $15,000 for allegedly operating a station called "Datz Hits Radio" on 99.7 MHz. In their appeals, both Morris and Brown told the FCC they didn't respond to the original notice nor pay the fine because they couldn't get advice on actions to take and how to file a response.

But in its order denying the appeals, the FCC noted that Morris and Brown broke the law by operating an unauthorized station despite repeated warnings and letters from the Commission ordering them to stop, actions which the FCC found particularly egregious.

The FCC also noted that once a public notice of action is released, petitions for reconsideration must be filed within 30 days. Morris and Brown filed a day late, and the FCC dismissed their petitions as untimely.

In the end, the agency upheld the fine for both men, saying in its decision their explanation was not sufficient to excuse a late response to the original notice.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Morris and Brown were given the customary 30 days to pay the outstanding fines. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: SUPREME COURT RULES AGAINST THE FCC IN WARDROBE MALFUNCTION CASE

The so-called Janet Jackson "wardrobe malfunction" indecency case which led to increased profanity delay equipment installations for both TV and radio stations has come to the end of the legal road. This after the United States Supreme Court says that it will not review a lower court's ruling that overturned the FCC's $550,000 fine against CBS Corporation for televising a fleeting view of Janet Jackson's breast during the live 2004 Super Bowl half time show.

A federal appeals court had ruled the fine was arbitrary and capricious because it was much larger than indecency fines had been previously, before the commission began issuing large fines for so-called fleeting indecent utterances.

Chief Justice John Roberts agreed with the other justices not to hear the FCC's appeal. In a concurring opinion, he noted the FCC had changed its indecency policy to include fleeting utterances, supporting the arbitrary and capricious arguments, but he also warned that any future wardrobe malfunctions will not be protected going forward.

The Supreme Court last month tossed out FCC indecency fines against Fox and ABC on narrow procedural grounds. At that time it told the regulatory agency that it is free to update its broadcast indecency guidelines. For their part broadcasters have insisted for years that the FCC's indecency guidelines are vague and chill free speech. (RW, Others)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W7EQI SAYS THE MEDIA NEEDS A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD

A ham radio operator who serves in Congress says that its time to make the overall media landscape more of a level playing ground. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

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House Subcommittee on Communications and Technology Chairman Greg Walden, W7EQI, of Oregon says the way that the FCC regulates traditional video providers is based on a bygone era.

According to Walden, broadcast stations are going mobile and wireless carriers are streaming video at the same time that programmers and pay-TV providers are filling smartphone and tablet screens with their content. Meantime new entities are coming to market like Hulu, Netflix, YouTube and Roku and the Communications Act does not apply to these emerging services.

Walden is not suggesting that lawmakers expand video distribution regulation. Quite the opposite. He says that could harm competition from emerging Internet video providers just as existing cable, satellite and broadcast providers and programmers are experimenting with Internet distribution.

However if lawmakers don't intend to apply the old rules to new participants, then he says that Congress must recognize the inequity of continuing to apply those same old rules to traditional players such as TV stations, cable and satellite providers.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Representative Walden made these remarks during his subcommittee's hearing on the future of video. (published news reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W4ZDP HONORED FOR DEDICATION TO THOMASVILLE ARC

Billy Joe Lewis, W4ZDP, has been honored by Thomasville Amateur Radio Club for founding the club in 1953, and for his dedication to the club for many years.

Lewis became an amateur radio operator prior to the second World War. He served on the Burma Road during World War II, worked many years with his brother, Logan Lewis, at Lewis Enterprises, and spent decades serving as Thomas County Fire Chief.

Along with being a respected business man and dedicated public servant, Lewis founded the club in 1953 and served as Treasurer for 48 years. His dedication to Thomasville Amateur Radio Club, over many decades, has resulted in a strong and vibrant organization dedicated to the radio arts and to the public

The award was presented to W4ZDP at the annual ARRL Field Day event held at the Thomas County Ambulance Service in Thomasville, Georgia on June 23rd. (Via e-mail)
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NAMES IN THE NEWS: G3PSM AWARDED THE DARC GOLDEN BADGE OF HONOR

UK radio amateur Colin Thomas, G3PSM, has been awarded Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club Golden Badge of Honor. This, for his work in achieving an amateur radio allocation at 472 kHz.

According to the German national amateur radio society, G3PSM was involved in the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations or CEPT preparatory process meetings and at the WRC-12 conference itself. As a result of his skillful lobbying at many meetings, the CEPT proposal for an amateur radio allocation near 600 meters was fully supported and eventually granted.

G3SPM received his award from the DARC Chairman Steffen Schoppe, DL7ATE, at a recent society hosted dinner. (DARC)

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CLUB NEWS: WESTSIDE ARC CELEBRATES 60 YEARS

While we're handing out roses, we say congratulations to the Westside Amateur Radio Club on their 60th birthday. Headquartered just across the Mississippi River from New Orleans, Louisiana, the Westside Club, founded July 1st, 1952, is the oldest continuously operating amateur radio club in the New Orleans area. A special event station is in the planning stages and we'll have full details just as soon as we know them. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 3

Serving the news needs of the world's ham radio community 52 weeks a year since mid 1976, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: TASMANIA WELCOMES SOUTHERNMOST D-STAR REPEATER IN THE WORLD

Tasmania's first D-Star repeater is on the air. VK7RRR is the southernmost D-Star repeater in the world, and the first and only such public digital voice repeater in Tasmania. The system operates in the 70cm band listening on 432.725 MHz and transmitting on 438.125 MHz at 50 watts power out. Prior to the establishment of VK7RRR, Tasmania was the only Australian State or Territory that didn't have at least one D-Star repeater. (WIA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: STUDENTS DESIGN SUPERCAPICITOR BATTERY FOR ARISSAT

Students at Penn State university have designed and built a state-of-the-art super-capacitor type battery for the next amateur radio ARISSat satellite.

The battery was built to handle 16 charge cycles in a given 24-hour period. That will power the satellite in dark orbits, when the solar panels are not in sunlight.

Dakshina Murthy Bellur, is an assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering at Penn State. According to Bellhur, the unit is a simple design. They flip a switch, and they throw it out into space.

Bellhur supervised the battery work, which counted as the students' senior project. More can be found in cyberspace at live.psu.edu/story/60125 (Pennsylvania State University)

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WORLDBEAT: US BBG CRITICIZES CAMBODIA OVER PROGRAMMING BAN

The United States Broadcasting Board of Governors has criticized the Cambodian Ministry of Information. This for a decision forbidding FM stations in Cambodia to air Khmer-language election programming from Radio Free Asia and the Voice of America during last week's elections.

According to a release the ban involved five stations. The Broadcasting Board of Governors said that Radio Free Asia and the Voice of America play a critical role in informing the Cambodian electorate on fundamental election issues. They also provide a platform for the full spectrum of political opinions in the country.

Presiding Governor Michael Lynton stated that news and information programs help shape a well-educated citizenry and should be encouraged, not denied. These attempts to silence Radio Free Asia and the Voice of America are counterproductive to the goals of building a democratic society in Cambodia. (RW)

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HAM AWARD HAPPENINGS: LOTW SUPPORT FOR WPX GOES LIVE

Participants in CQ magazine's WPX award program may now use the American Radio Relay League's Logbook of the World or LoTW system to apply for the WPX award and its endorsements. Amateurs will be able to use LoTW logs to generate lists of confirmed contacts to be submitted for WPX credit. Standard Logbook of the World credit fees and CQ award fees will apply. Logbook of the World support for the WPX award program went live on July 2nd. (CQ)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE KING OF MOROCCO 13TH ANNIVERSARY

On the air, keep an ear open for Moroccan amateur radio operators to use the special prefix 5C13 through July 27th. This is in celebration of the 13th anniversary of the crowning of Mohammed VI as King of Morocco. Stations heard as of airtime 5C13IG, 5C13KD, 5C13NK, 5C13SG and 5C13YZ. QSL as directed by each operator. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: PC100NOM CELEBRATES THE NETHERLANDS OPEN AIR MUSEUM

Also be on the lookout for Netherlands special event station PC-100-NOM to be active through July 29th. This operation is to commemorate then 100th anniversary of The Netherlands Open Air Museum in the city of Arnhem. The operator is PA0FAW who is using CW, SSB and PSK on the various High Frequency bands. QSL via PA0FAW, either direct, via the bureau or electronically using eQSL. SWL reports are also welcome. (OPDX)

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DX

In DX, N6NB and W6TAI will be active as E51YNB and E51TAI from Rarotonga for the IARU High Frequency World Championship on July 14th and 15th. Their operation is expected to start a few days before the contest and last several days after the competition concludes. They will be on 40 through 15 meters using SSB only. QSL both callsigns via N6NB.

Members of the Trinidad And Tobago Amateur Radio Society will be active as 9Y4HQ during the same IARU HF World Champion ships on July 14 and 15th. Operations will be on all of the High Frequency bands using CW and SSB. QSL only via DF2RG, either direct or via the bureau.

ZS1WY is currently active from Mozambique as C-91-I-W and is expected to be there for the next year. However he is there working and operations may be limted. Recent Q-S-N reports show he was on 160 meters. QSL via ZS1WY.

A group of hams from the Quito Radio Club will be on the air as HD081QRC (Hotel Delta Zero Eighty One) between July 14th and the 22nd to commemorate the founding of that organization 81 years ago. Activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB. Equipment will include both modern and some beautifully restored vintage radios courtesy of HC1BG. QSL HC1JQ direct or via the bureau.

Lastly, W5JON tells Amateur Radio Newsline that he will once again be operating as V47JA from his vacation home overlooking Calypso Bay, on St. Kitts. Listen out for John from July 12th through August 2nd on 80 through 6 meters using SSB. He also plans to take part in the RSGB sponsored Islands On The Air Contest. QSL's to W5JON either direct or via Loogbook of the World.

(Various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: NEW BROADCAST CENTER PROPOSED FOR ONE WORLD TRADE CENTER

And finally this week, the new spire built to replace the fallen twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City will also become an antenna site. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details on this emerging story:

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The Durst Organization that controls New York City's One World Trade Center in a partnership with The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey plans to add an installation for FM radio and television transmission antennas in the building's 408-foot spire. One that will ultimately bring the new building's height to 1,776 feet and make it the tallest building in North America.

The Empire State Building, 1,250 feet tall with its 204 foot antenna tower is currently the home to 19 FM stations and most of the city's digital television transmitters. Many radio and television broadcasters migrated to the Empire site after terrorist attacks of 911 caused the collapse of the World Trade Center's twin towers in lower Manhattan.

Yet to be determined is whether any of the city's FM broadcasters will leave their current primary sites at Empire State Building for the new location at One World Trade Center or if they will treat the new building spire primarily as a backup site.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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One thing that's pretty obvious is that at the prices being quoted for site rental income by Durst, it's unlikely that any ham radio repeaters will find a home at the new broadcast antenna site. Then again, once should never doubt the resourcefulness of New York City area hams. (B&C, RW, others)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

Before we go, this newscast marks the beginning of our 35th year of service to the world's amateur radio community. We find it hard to believe that so many years have gone by since Jim Hendershot, WA6VQP with some help from Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, produced the very 1st Westlink Radio Network newscast, which eventually became the Amateur Radio Newsline.

That was some 1820 weeks ago. This is week 1,281 and, believe it or not, in all this time we have never missed a newscast release date.

With that in mind, we want to take this opportunity to say thank you all of those who have come forward over the years as members of our all volunteer team of writers, producers, reporters and news anchors. It's their selfless devotion that has made all of this possible.

And to all of you in our vast world-wide audience who have so graciously supported our efforts these many years. To you we make the promise to continue to bring you the news of amateur radio and personal communications as we have the past 1281 weeks. Also, to do our very best to keep improving our air product as we proceed into the weeks, months and years ahead.

Let me end this week by simply saying thanks to all of you for being a part of the Amateur Radio Newsline family. Without your encouragement and ongoing support we would have no reason to exist. It is you who make it all worthwhile.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 for the 1281st time, and, as always, we thank you for listening.

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1180. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1068.3

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Source record: 2647
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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network and K6VVA for the following DX information.

P5, NORTH KOREA (P5/K6VVA Pending "CW ONLY" & IOTA AS-197 Activation Proposal Project). Rick, K6VVA, states: "This is a 'Work-In-Progress' Update & Interest Level Survey." Press release by Rick states on his Web page:

"P5 'CW ONLY' & IOTA AS-197 PROJECT
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HISTORY...
During the past 6 years, I have had more than 50 cordial telephone conversations with D.P.R.K. personnel seeking official permission to operate from P5. Along with email proposals and discussions in this matter, substantial efforts have been made to obtain a P5 license.

For more than a year now I have now been working with an NGO Organization which is well respected in the D.P.R.K. as a result of Humanitarian work they have done in P5 for many years. I have personally donated several thousands of dollars to this organization and another NGO specifically for both Food and Medical related relief projects to the people in need within the D.P.R.K. Representatives from both organizations personally supervise the final delivery and distribution of agricultral, food and medical related items in the D.P.R.K. to ensure the integrity of the donation programs.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS...
For several months now my NGO contact and I have been discussing a possible new venue which would be mutually beneficial in helping to accomplish each of our objectives in the D.P.R.K.

A longstanding goal has been to combine the need for a "CW ONLY" P5 Expedition with the first time activation of at least one P5 IOTA 'NEW ONE'. I believe an opportunity now exists to combine these goals in

conjunction with unique "Cultural" and "Humanitarian" objectives which
have been formulated for review by D.P.R.K. Authorities. There is strong
support from the NGO in this effort.

CLARIFICATION...
I need to make it very clear than I am *NOT* seeking any donations at
this point, but rather only an indication of the level of potential
contributions for the related "Humanitarian" purposes likely required
in order for approval of this project and issuance of a P5 license.

Although I will be paying ALL my own expenses for the Expedition, a
quite large 'threshold' amount for the 'Humanitarian' part of the proposal
has been established which may be necessary for this P5 Project to succeed.
NO future donations will come to me personally, but rather be directed to
the very well-respected NGO specifically earmarked for the D.P.R.K. relief
part of the P5 Project proposal AFTER the Expedition has concluded. There
are some remaining details yet to be finalized.

THE CHALLENGE...
WRITTEN APPROVAL from at least four separate D.P.R.K. Ministries and
entities (including the D.P.R.K. Military) is necessary in order for
this to happen. Based upon a detailed review of several previous P5
Expedition attempts that did not result in getting on the air, a key
objective in this matter is to minimize potential failure upon arrival
at the final destination in P5.

It has been a very long 6 years thus far, but I believe the time has
finally come to 'fish or cut bait'. I've espoused that 'Ham Radio Operators'
are known to be generous contributors to Humanitarian causes. Being able
to provide an indicator of this to the D.P.R.K. Authorities up-front can
potentially make the difference between another 'No', or finally YES' in
obtaining the desired P5 license.

Another purpose of this Expedition is to hopefully further 'open the door'
for a future Multi-Operator venue in P5, as well as activation of the other
3 remaining P5 IOTA 'NEW ONES'.

PREPARATION...
My FIVE 2011 IOTA Expeditions to NA-041, NA-066, NA-091, NA-184 and NA-242
('NEW ONE') were also used to fine-tune operational matters as well as test
antenna designs for P5 use in a small venue footprint most likely acceptable
to the D.P.R.K. Authorities. The plan is 4 days QRV with 200 watt radios and
'Verticals near salt water'. I have all the radio, antenna and computer
equipment necessary for this expedition, including two KPA500 amplifiers
(approval for use of the amps in P5 is questionable at this time).

Thanks very much in advance for your possible participation in the
Humanitarian aspect of this P5 'CW ONLY' and IOTA AS-197 Project. For
Any Updates, Check TWITTER <http://www.twitter.com/k6vva>

CLICK HERE TO INDICATE YOUR INTEREST LEVEL
<http://www.k6vva.com/p5/p5interest.html>

73...
Rick, K6VVA * The Locust
FOC (First Class CW Operators' Club)
NCCC Co-Founding Member

P.S. This is NOT a solicitation for contributions or donations, but only an inquiry to obtain an idea as to the possibilities of achieving the minimum 'threshold' amount set forth in the proposal to hopefully make this 'Cultural & Humanitarian' endeavor also become a reality for P5 'CW ONLY' and first time activation of IOTA AS-197."

For more information/updates, watch: http://www.k6vva.com/p5

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1181. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 6 July 2012

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Atlantic Hurricane Season 2012

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There have been four 'named storms' in the Atlantic already this year and
though none have made the news it is time for the reminder that Amateur
Radio continues to play a part in gathering and distributing information
for the weather and emergency services each year

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UK HF Propagation charts for July 2012

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Steve G0KYA has published his UK HF propagation charts for July 2012

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Space Weather and Radio Hams

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The Space Weather web site suggests that radio hams point their Yagis
towards the Sun

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Radio switchover decision in 2013 ?

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DTG reports that the UK Coalition Government has unveiled plans to extend
local digital radio coverage

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Radio Ham in The Register article

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An article on The Register website highlights radio amateur and musician
David Lowery KF4KRF

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Ham Radio featured in Bloomberg Radio interview

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Bloomberg Radio interviewed radio amateur Charles Hargrove N2NOV about
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50th anniversary of Algerian Independence contest

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For the 50th anniversary of Algerian independence, the Algerian Amateur
Radio Society are organizing a contest to mark the event

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Anniversary DXpedition to Berl, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

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We have the pleasure to inform you the new DXpedition to Luxembourg with
the special callsign LX / OP50LX, will take place on July 21st and 22nd,
2012

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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NZ4O HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-Sg4h3BZzq0/propagation_forecast_28.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-28 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday July 06, 2012

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13th IARU Region 1 Youth ARDF Championships 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5FaZIOQh2vE/youth_ardf_championships_20
12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders
PA2LS reports on the IARU Region 1 (European) Youth ARDF Championships to
be held this month in Lithuania

1182. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 6 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-06 16:27:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341001d05d3604c42bbc3e@google.com>
Source record: 2649
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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3B9SP Rodrigues Island

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 04:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352875-3B9SP-Rodrigues-Island&goto=newpost

Members of Radio 7 Team HB9FR will be active from Rodrigues Island 16-23
October 2012 as 3B9SP

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...rigues-island/

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Field day and special event catering

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 03:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352871-Field-day-and-special-event-catering&goto=newpost

Here in the UK (G/M land) its the RSGB VHF NFD this weekend have you got
your BBQ book handy for this field day?

A Dot of Butter and a Dash of Spice by UK ham M0MVB is the must have BBQ
cookbook on any field day anywhere and now available on kindle, iPhones &
iPads, android and tablets for £5.89 or order the paperback from amazon for
£9.99. The link will take you to amazon and a preview

http://www.amazon.co.uk/Dot-Butter-D...1568123&sr=1-1

Steve

M0MVB

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P5/K6VVA

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 10:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352861-P5-K6VVA&goto=newpost

http://www.k6vva.com/p5/

for comments post here http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php...P5-North-Korea

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2012 Gus Grissom Day Special Event

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 04:55 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352840-2012-Gus-Grissom-Day-Special-Event&goto=newpost

Gus Grissom Day is in honor of Virgil I "Gus" Grissom a native of Mitchell Indiana, who died along with fellow astronauts Ed White and Roger Chaffee in the tragic Apollo 1 pre-launch test accident on January 27, 1967. The 2012 Gus Grissom Day Special Event will be Saturday July 21st. The Hoosier Hills Ham Club will be operating using the callsign W9GUS from 14:00 - 20:00 UTC on 20 meters between 14250 kHz & 14270 kHz, and on 40 meters between 7250 kHz & 7270 kHz. (+/- QRM) We will be operating from outside the Grissom Memorial just inside the entrance to Spring Mill State Park in Mitchell, IN .

Please visit our main website (http://www.w9qyq.org) for Gus Grissom Day Special Event QSL Information.

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11th Aegian VHF Contest

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 09:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352637-11th-Aegian-VHF-Contest&goto=newpost

11th Aegean VHF Contest (6m-2m-70cm)

7th □ 8th of July 2012

official site: www.aegeandxgroup.gr

SPECIAL CALL OF CHIOS ISLAND SZ8XIO/P FROM KM28WN IOTA EU-049

BAND 6M ONLY SSB AND 2M SSB AND FM

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1183. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 6 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-06 16:28:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043f7b643204c42bc160@google.com>
Source record: 2650
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Erin King, AK4JG, Named 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline "Young Ham of the Year"

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 10:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352790-Erin-King-AK4JG-Named-2012-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-quot-Young-Ham-of-the-Year-quot&goto=newpost

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ERIN KING, AK4JG, NAMED 2012 AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE□

"YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR"

(Santa Clarita, California) □ Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who re-founded her high school's radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying balloon to over 90,000 feet, recovered the flight data and used it to produce a truly striking video of that flight, has been named as recipient of the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award.

Erin is the daughter of Paul, K4ETY, and Patricia King. She has two siblings: Brandon, age 16 and Rachel, age 15. Erin became a licensed radio amateur in 2009 and now holds an Extra Class license. She is a member of the ARRL, the Columbus Amateur Radio Club, and the Russell County Radio Club. She enjoys operating on local VHF and UHF repeaters as well as phone and digital modes on the High Frequency amateur radio bands. She is looking forward to mastering Morse Code as her next amateur radio challenge.

Erin became interested in amateur radio after joining a club at her high school dealing with robotics and then ham radio-equipped high-altitude balloon launches. This school group has participated in FIRST Robotics competitions, and Erin has twice been Team Lead for Programming. The club also launches several high-altitude balloon missions each year, in a program called DREAMS. They have flown various scientific experiments as part of these missions, in addition to planning, building, and integrating radios, Global Positioning System (GPS) units and TNCs to track and recover the balloons. To facilitate these activities, the group□s sponsor, Luther Richardson, KI4AOJ, has encouraged the students to obtain their amateur radio licenses.

A subset of this group, including Erin, has participated in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's (MIT's) "InvenTeam" competition, designing and building a portable lightning detector and early warning system. In addition, Erin re-started the Columbus High School Radio Club and served as its president for the past two years. The club was active in the 1950s and '60s, and Erin's great-grandfather (the original K4ETY) was one of its mentors at that time. The new club obtained the callsign W4CHS (Columbus High School) and has been active on the air.

Erin's involvement with amateur radio and FIRST Robotics has helped fuel her interest in science and engineering. Last year, she applied for early admission to both Georgia Tech and MIT; she was accepted to both and will be attending MIT this fall.

Inside the shiny tube which contained Erin□s MIT acceptance letter was a note suggesting that the students □hack□ their tubes, meaning to do something cool with them, in a long-standing tradition of MIT hacks or stunts. Erin chose to send her tube to near-space.

Drawing on her ballooning experience, Erin planned, built, integrated, and tested a complete new tracking setup to fit into the very small shipping tube. The payload consisted of two GPS units, two custom-made antennas, one Argent Data OpenTracker+ kit (which Erin built), one handheld radio, and a fellow ham□s Byonics Pocket Tracker, a self-contained 100-milliwatt tracker/radio combination in an Altoids® tin. Erin also talked her mother into letting her use mom□s brand new GoPro Hero HD video camera.

With the assistance of a group of hams from the Columbus Amateur Radio club, Erin launched her balloon from Lumpkin, GA. A couple of hours later, she and the tracking team successfully recovered it, along with the complete HD video record of the flight. Erin took this video, as well as other photos and videos taken of the launch activities, and compiled it

into an 8-minute presentation, complete with background music. She posted it to YouTube, and put a link to it on the MIT hack-the-tube site (see). According to YouTube statistics, Erin☐s video has been viewed thus far in excess of 82,500 times.

This past May, Erin was invited to participate in no less than three forums and sessions at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention®. These included the 25th anniversary ☐Youth Forum,☐ the ☐Ham Radio Town Meeting☐ and an ☐ARRL Expo☐ presentation where her video was screened.

Award Ceremony

The 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline☐ "Young Ham of the Year Award" will be presented on Saturday, August 18th at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama. As the 2012 "Young Ham of the Year," Erin will receive -- courtesy of Yaesu USA -- an expense-paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest, along with a gift of Yaesu brand ham radio equipment. CQ magazine will treat her to an expense-paid week at Spacecamp Huntsville, and will present Erin with a variety of CQ products. Amateur Radio Newsline☐ will provide Erin with a commemorative plaque at the award ceremony. Once again, the cost of year's plaque has been underwritten by Dave Bell (W6AQ), President of DBA Entertainment Inc., Hollywood, California. Heil Sound Ltd. will also be presenting Erin with a ham radio-related gift.

The presentation of the Young Ham of the Year Award has been a regular feature of the Huntsville Hamfest since 1993. This has been made possible through the generosity and kindness of the event's Planning Committee and the good offices of Huntsville Hamfest Association Vice President Charlie Emerson, N4OKL. (See http://www.hamfest.org)

This year's award ceremony will be hosted by Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, of Amateur Radio Newsline☐, Rich Moseson, W2VU, of CQ Communications, and representatives of Yaesu USA and Heil Sound.

Award Program Background

The Amateur Radio Newsline☐ "Young Ham of the Year" award (formerly the Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year Award) has been presented annually since 1986 to a licensed radio amateur (ham) who is 18 years of age or younger and who has provided outstanding service to the nation, his/her community or the betterment of the state of the art in communications through the amateur radio hobby/service. A website with full information on the award program and background material is located at http://www.arnewsline.org/YHOTY.

Award Sponsors

The award program is sponsored by the Los Angeles, California-based Amateur Radio Newsline☐ with corporate support from Yaesu USA Corporation of Cypress, California, CQ Magazine of Hicksville, New York, and Heil Sound of Fairview Heights, Illinois.

Since 1976, Amateur Radio Newsline□ and its predecessor, the Westlink Radio Network, have been providing radio amateurs around the world with up-to-the-minute news at no cost to them. (See http://www.arnewsline.org)

The award's three major corporate underwriters are world leaders in their respective areas of Amateur Radio product support.

Yaesu USA, which has been a corporate underwriter since the inception of the award program in 1986, is considered the trailblazer in the design, manufacture and distribution of high quality amateur gear as well as commercial two-way, monitoring, marine and air-band communications equipment (See http://www.yaesu.com).

CQ magazine and its sister publications, CQ VHF, Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online, are published by CQ Communications, Inc., and are considered the trend-setting publications serving today□s modern radio amateur. (See http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com)

Heil Sound Ltd. Is considered as a world leader in the development and manufacture of new technology microphones and related audio products for professional sound reinforcement and amateur radio communications. (See http://www.heilsound.com)

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Latest LOG4OM Released

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 09:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352778-Latest-LOG4OM-Released&goto=newpost

Download the new release at #http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/log4om-en/

Please take note this release is still a BETA version, but we strongly advise to

upgrade since is fixing a number of issues.

First of all i wish to say THANKS to the new Log4OM Team:

K7PT, G4POP, W4ELP, IW1AWH and IZ1OQT (in random order)

What's new in Release 1.10.4 Beta

THIS BETA WILL RESET YOUR ACTUAL CONFIGURATION. PLEASE PRINT YOUR CONFIG TO PDF

FROM SETTINGS FOLDER

- Omnirig implemented along with Hamlib as options for rig control. Omnirig

should be downloaded and installed from http://www.dxatlas.com

- Imported frequencies being interpreted incorrectly and rounded up are now

fixed.

- Now log4om retains grid configurations (e.g. Recent QSO) also after a

reinstall (new _user files added)

- Grey line maps optimized

- Improved Settings window closing speed

- Added Digital mode filter button for DXcluster

- Faster program startup

- Worked callsign lookup window for previous QSO is now resizable

- Some system log enhancements (even more events are logged now)

- Fixed an issue with Omnirig when the frequency selected goes over the
Int32

size of .NET environment.

Unfortunately Omnirig accepts frequency in Hertz and frequencies in the
range of

10 Gb (even less) are, in Hertz, bigger than the maximum Int32 value.

And Omnirig accepts only integers. This is an Omnirig limitation that we
need to

deal with

- Added help in English

- In Settings/Settings the text on the visualization buttons now match the
tab

titles of the logbook

- Band plans revised and now include CW, Digital and SSB

Daniele IW3HMH

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-28

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 07:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352760-NZ4O-MF-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast-2
012-28&goto=newpost

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-28 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday July 06, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday
July 07, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday July 13, 2012. It can be found at
http://www.solarcycle24.org and http://www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm .

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NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast: http://www.solarcycle24.org

Harmful Man Induced (Anthropogenic) Climate Change (Global Warming)
Refuted: http://www.globalwarminglie.org

1184. eHam.net News for Friday 6 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-06 22:22:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed579fc604c430b370@google.com>
Source record: 2551
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Help with Waldo Canyon Fire:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28593

A 24-hour test helped local ham radio operators hone emergency skills and, in the blink of an eye, they were put to the test at the Waldo Canyon Fire. "With little or no sleep, we were contacted by the Amateur Radio Emergency Service District Manager Mike McQueen," said Amanda Alden of Canon City. "He told us the situation was looking grim for communications." Alden, along with Canon City residents Jeff Carrier and Phil Ott, and Pueblo West resident Neal Tew, "Didn't think twice about going to assist," Alden said. "We mostly handled health and welfare communications for the Summit shelter. "The four of us had never assisted in an actual emergency and it felt slightly overwhelming. June 25 became a real test of our abilities to remain calm and do what was needed," Alden said, referring to when the wind-stoked fire jumped two ridges and started burning homes.

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Hams Explore Mystery of Radio:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 05:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28592

Amateur radio operators, also referred to as hams, in Veterans Memorial Park last weekend talked to people from around the globe to both test their equipment and compete against other clubs in a nationwide contest known as Field Day.

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'Hams' Offer Information Lifeline When All Else Fails:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 05:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28591

When disaster strikes, amateur radio steps in: Disasters can wipe out phone lines and the Internet, leaving those hardest hit cut off from the world. That's when "hams" come to the rescue with an almost forgotten technology that can go where fallen cell towers cannot reach. Hams are the operators of amateur radio, the old-time tech that once connect people across oceans. Nowadays, hams are practically a stereotype -- laid-back, white-haired retirees who fiddle with dials and antennas, talking to fellow operators across the globe. But when disaster strikes these hobbyists provide a

lifeline of information to areas in desperate need. "A lot of agencies use amateur radio as a means to provide communication. Whether it's the Red Cross or emergency measures, a lot of public safety organizations leverage amateur radio capabilities to provide communication when all other types of communication have failed," said Don Trynor with the Central Toronto Amateur Radio Club (CenTor).

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Sunspot AR1515 Grows 10 Times Wider Than Earth:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 05:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28590

Sunspot AR1515 has grown more than 10 times wider than the Earth. It has grown in size to encompass an area 62,137 miles (100,000 kilometers) long. According to SpaceWeather.com, "The active region is crackling with M-class solar flares and seems poised to produce even stronger X-flares in the days ahead." The latest solar flare, from sunspot AR1515, was felt at 5:47 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), 0947 Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). Its peak hit about eight minutes later. It registered as a class M5.3 solar storm, according to the Space Weather Prediction Group operated by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

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Sun Unleashes Earthward Solar Flare:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 05:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28589

Our Sun may add to the fireworks as our American friends celebrate their Independence Day On Monday, July 2, a regiona of our Sun known as active region 1515 unleashed a solar flare aimed squarely at the Earth. This group sunspots - from which solar flares originate -- has been crackling with radio and X-ray energy for days and Monday's flare was an M5.6-class flare, just a notch down from the strongest possible. Read more about how flares are classified here: http://spaceweather.com/glossary/flareclasses.html While this isn't all that surprising, it will have some very noticeable effects here on Earth. Our sun goes through 11-year cycles and will near the peak of cycle 24 next year. As we get closer to that peak, flares are going to get more intense. This most-recent flare was only the latest in a string, including an X-class flare which dealt our Earth's magnetic field a glancing blow on March 7.

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ARNewsline Report 1821 July 6 2012:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 05:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28588

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds as a severe weather outbreak hits the Mid-West and Mid-Atlantic U-S; a new D-X record is set using the ageing Amsat Oscar 7 satellite; a big tower victory in Nevada and Erin King, AK4JG is named the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the

Year. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1821 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #27:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:30 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28587

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:30 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28586

This Week in Radiosport:

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Colorado Hams Provide Disaster Communications During Wildfires:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:26 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28585

Thanks to an extremely dry season, portions of Colorado have been ravaged by wildfires. As of July 5, only a handful of the fires are considered extinguished or fully contained, with the majority considered still active. According to InciWeb, almost 170,000 acres are affected by 11 active fires. Since June 9 -- when the High Park Fire, the first of the wildfires began -- hams in Colorado have been assisting with disaster communications, providing communications support to the State and served agencies.

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Logbook of The World Now Supports CQ's WPS Award:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:30 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28584

The wait is over! After weeks of beta testing, the ARRL launched the integration of Logbook of The World (LoTW) -- its electronic confirmation system -- with CQ Magazine's Worked All Prefixes (WPX) Award on Monday, July 2. The WPX Award is the first of the CQ-sponsored awards that LoTW will support. More than 51,000 radio amateurs worldwide use Logbook of The World, and there are currently almost 432 million QSOs in the LoTW system.

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Trio from ISS Lands Safely in Kazakhstan:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:25 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28583

Three members of the Expedition 31 crew undocked from the International Space Station and returned safely to Earth Sunday, July 1, wrapping up a mission that lasted almost seven months. Russian Commander Oleg Kononenko, RN3DX, along with NASA Flight Engineer Don Pettit, KD5MDT, and European Space Agency Flight Engineer Andre Kuipers, PI9ISS, landed their Soyuz TMA-03M spacecraft in Kazakhstan at 0514 UTC. The trio -- who arrived at the station December 23, 2011 -- spent a total of 193 days in space, 191 of which were aboard the ISS.

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The IARU HF Championship Heats Up the Summer:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:27 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28582

Radiosport fans are gearing up for the summer's biggest HF competition: the IARU HF World Championship.>. This 24 hour long contest is the highlight of the summer HF contesting season, with plenty of opportunity to work DX from all around the globe on CW and SSB. Participants also get the chance to make QSOs with many IARU Member Society club stations and officials.

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California Ham Cited for $17,000 for Operating Unlicensed Radio Station:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:25 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28581

On July 2, the FCC issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture and Order in the amount of $17,000, accusing Brian R. Ragan, KF6EGI, of Suisun City, California, of "apparently willfully and repeatedly violating" the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on frequency 104.9 MHz and failing to allow an inspection of his station by FCC personnel. The Commission said that Ragan, "as a licensed Amateur Radio operator for at least six years, [he] should be aware that any radio equipment at his station must be made available for inspection at any time when requested by the FCC, and also should be aware of the proper operation of his amateur station in accordance with the Rules."

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ARRL In Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:25 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28580

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of June -- takes a look at the new 9 cm band plan and a proposed 23 cm band plan, education and resource grants to schools, nominations for Director and Vice Director in five ARRL Divisions,

W1AW's spring antenna inspections, the ARRL VEC preparations for the new Amateur Extra class exam, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more.

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Erin King AK4JG Named 2012 YHOTY:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:24 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28579

(Santa Clarita, California) - Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who re-founded her high school's radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying balloon to over 90,000 feet, recovered the flight data and used it to produce a truly striking video of that flight, has been named as recipient of the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:29 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28578

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

1185. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 6 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 02:24:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb991e72c04c4341568@google.com>
Source record: 2552
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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County ham radio enthusiasts host emergency communications demo - Mountain Home News

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 11:09 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF7l_b8bvLTBAJRUBdEeJ3XYSC_9g&url=http://www.mountainhomenews.com/story/1867287.html

County ham radio enthusiasts host emergency communications demo
Mountain Home News
Amateur radio operators across Elmore County joined approximately 35000 of their counterparts across the county to demonstrate their emergency communications capabilities during an event last month. The emergency service demonstration at Legacy Park ...

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ARNewsline Report 1821 July 6 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 12:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEGKjtNZHhTTTWiJKtacJzLyNI-1A&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28588

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1186. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1341641100@panix.com>
Source record: 2553
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1187. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1341641401@panix.com>
Source record: 2554
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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1188. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 7 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 06:11:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934075389257904c4374109@google.com>
Source record: 2555
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Milton Florida Hamfest

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 12:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352920-Milton-Florida-Hamfest&goto=newpost

The Milton Amateur Radio Club will be hosting our yearly hamfest on july 20
and 21st. Over $2000 worth of prizes will be given away. Check out

www.miltonarc.org for all details.

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Herkimer,NY Fairgrounds Hamfest July 7 2012 THIS Saturday RADIOCOM 2012

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 02:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352869-Herkimer-NY-Fairgrounds-Hamfest-July-7-2012-TH
IS-Saturday-RADIOCOM-2012&goto=newpost

RADIOCOM 2012 http://www.uticaarc.org/radiocomm.htm

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

07/07/2012 Start Date: 07/07/2012

End Date: 07/07/2012

Location: Herkimer County Fairgrounds

Cemetery Street

Frankfort, NY 13340

Website: http://www.uticaarc.org

Sponsor: Utica Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.760 (no PL tone)

Public Contact: Marty Benedict , W2MVB

315 Marion Street Herkimer, NY 13350

Phone: 315-867-0278

Email: w2mvb@arrl.org

http://www.uticaarc.org/radiocomm.htm

RADIOCOM 2012

HAMFEST AND COMPUTER FAIR

Sponsored by

The Utica Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

Saturday, July 7, 2012

Herkimer County Fairgrounds

Cemetery St. Frankfort, New York

Vendor Setup 6:00 AM

Hamfest Hours 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM

General Admission $5.00

Flea Market Tailgate Space FREE WITH ADMISSION!

Indoor Flea Market Space $3.00/space with admission

AMPLE INDOOR SPACE AVAILABLE!

DOOR PRIZES TO BE AWARDED!

Talk-In: 146.76 (-600) K2IQ VE Testing on Site

Check in @ 9:00 AM

For Hamfest Info, Contact:

Bob Decker (AA2CU) Marty Benedict (W2MVB)

315-797-6614 315-866-5924

Email: tbd2626@yahoo.com mbenedi1@twcny.rr.com

FREE FLEA MARKET SPACE WITH ADMISSION! BRING YOUR ITEMS FOR SALE OR TRADE!!!

To get to UARC□s RADIOCOM 2012

NYS Thruway to Exit 30 (Herkimer). At stoplight from exit, take left, and
proceed over bridge. Take ramp to right (NYS 5S West) and proceed 5 miles
to the Frankfort exit marked FAIRGROUNDS.

Lost? . Call K2IQ

146.76 (-600)

for Talk-In!

Back By Popular Demand!!!

UARC□s Club Table Sale

Sell up to 3 items at our table instead of renting your own space!

How it works:

Bring your items for sale to our club table when you arrive (amateur radio and related electronic items only, please). Leave us your ☐asking☐ and ☐minimum☐ price (if applicable). If the item sells, UARC will collect the proceeds and hold them for you. Stop by the table during the Hamfest, or by 12:00 Noon to collect the proceeds of the sale or your unsold items. UARC will charge the seller a 10% commission for all items sold. All sales are final, and transactions are between buyer and seller. Sellers assume responsibility for any sales taxes, and buyers for any and all payments. There will be no charge for unsold items, but all unsold items must be claimed by 12:00 Noon on the day of the Hamfest. UARC assumes no liability for unclaimed items left after the Hamfest.

Utica Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

P.O. Box 71

Utica, NY 13503

Visit us on the web! www.uticaarc.org

73 K2HAT Lee :)

1189. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 7 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 11:03:44 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340f693d186304c43b551c@google.com>
Source record: 2556
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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North Korea 'CW Only' and IOTA AS-197 Project

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NqJZEL2Ea2g/north_korea_project.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rick, K6VVA is attempting to organise a DXpedition to North Korea and is seeking an indication of the level of interest and possible participation in this project

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420-430 MHz in Australia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2Cuu4L7nEHA/420_430_mhz_in_australia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

WIA President Michael Owen VK3Ki has released an update on the 70 cm amateur radio band

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Big sunspot unleashes X-flare on July 6th

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bGUvvubwlTE/big_sunspot_unleashes_x_flare.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For days, giant sunspot AR1515 has looked capable of producing a really strong explosion. On July 6th it finally did

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SOTA and other awards by HB9IRC and HB9SOTA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XnQSaTgNKGE/sota_and_other_awards_by_hb9irc_and_hb9sota.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Saturday July 7th and Sunday 8th , the Teams of HB9IRC and Insubria Radio Club will be operating from Mount BAR , in southern Switzerland, Ticino, not so far away from Lugano

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/X0wlxbvv3aA/027_july_07.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity jumped way up this week, with average daily sunspot numbers increasing by nearly 92 points to 118.1

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Ham Radio in ECO report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/waHdFcKMsAk/ham_radio_in_eco_report.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio features in the European Communications Office (ECO) annual report

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GB2SBL in the press

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eZLP6EpFo7Y/gb2sbl_in_the_press.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Burton Mail reports on the special event station held at the Eureka Primary School

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20m tall antennas permitted in Tauranga

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w29RQuM0wXM/20m_tall_antennas_permitted_in_tauranga.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateurs in Tauranga, New Zealand, have successfully objected to rules in the council's proposed new City Plan that would have restricted new aerials to just 9 metres high

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Ham Radio used by stricken yacht

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6HSgD3DfDYs/ham_radio_used_by_stricken_yacht.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Scunthorpe press report on the part played by radio amateur Dave Ogg M0OGY in assisting a vessel in distress

1190. imagine exchange

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 16:02:49 UTC
From: me <me@me.com>
Message-ID: <435343526@news.orange.fr>
Source record: 2557

Tchao.

you should try http://www.eseco.fr/services-esecure.html
Bye Bye

1191. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 7 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 16:15:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f9fd4c0ee04c43fb00a@google.com>
Source record: 2558
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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DXCC-EAST Convention, Aug. 25, 2012, 8:15 AM to 9:00 PM, Frederick, Maryland

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 06:56 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352894-DXCC-EAST-Convention-Aug-25-2012-8-15-AM-to-9-00-PM-Frederick-Maryland&goto=newpost

The National Capitol DX Association (NCDXA) will host the DXCC-EAST Convention on Saturday, August 25, 2012, 8:15 AM to 9:00 PM. For details and on-line registration, go to www.dxcceast.com

The convention is for DXers, Contesters and all Amateur Radio enthusiast. We are trying to make this event the Visalia on the east coast each year; both will be wonderful events to attend.

We have a line-up of well-know speakers and three grand prizes to give away; IC-7600, FT-2000 and ACOM-1010.

If you are around on Friday night, Aug. 24, 2012, 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM, we☐ll all meet at Frank☐s (W3LPL) QTH where ICOM will host a pre-convention get together to show off radios along with YAESU and other manufactures. K3LR, Tim Duffy will be there to represent the ICOM brand for Ray Novak.

I hope you☐ll make an effort to come see us! Register soon so we can plan the meals in advance.

Sincerely,

David Collingham ☐ K3LP

President ☐ NCDXA

www.ncdxa.org

www.dxcceast.com

www.k3lp.com

1192. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 7 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 16:36:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb99a3c2204c43ffb92@google.com>
Source record: 2559
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1821 July 6 2012

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 09:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352859-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1821--July-6-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1821 ☐ July 6 2012

Please note that this is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline bulletin and contains three breaks. Newscast begins following the tone.

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1821 with a release date of July 6, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds as a severe weather outbreak hits the Mid-West and Mid-Atlantic U-S; a new D-X record is set using the ageing Amsat Oscar 7 satellite; a big tower victory in Nevada and Erin King, AK4JG is named the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1821 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS AS WINDSTORM HITS MID WEST AND MID ATLANTIC STATES

The governors of several states have declared emergencies as temperatures rose in the aftermath of powerful storms that swept through the mid-Atlantic region Friday night, July 29th. The storm did damage from Indiana to New Jersey, although the bulk of its destruction was felt in West Virginia, Washington and suburban Virginia and Maryland. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, begins our coverage of this severe weather outbreak and whats known about the ham radio response thus far:

1193. SARL News in English 7/7/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 18:21:01 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <A55FC73A01E44A27BC7B083A8EF47C51@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2560
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 8 July 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on "Amateur Radio Today" and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria with relays on 7 066 and 3 695 kHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

GET READY FOR THE IARU HF WINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN DURBAN ON 21 JULY

A NEW RECORD FOR THE AGEING AO-7 SATELLITE

G3PSM AWARDED THE DARC GOLDEN BADGE OF HONOUR

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

GET READY FOR THE IARU HF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Many radio amateurs are gearing up for the winter's biggest HF competition: the IARU HF World Championship. This 24 hour long contest is the highlight of the winter HF contesting season, with plenty of opportunity to work DX from all around the globe on CW and SSB. Participants also get the chance to make QSOs with many IARU Member Society club stations and officials.

The IARU HF Championship is one of radio sport's unique events. It is the only major contest that uses International Telecommunication Union (ITU) zones as part of the exchange, and the only contest that gives special multiplier status for IARU Member-Society stations and their officials.

Amateurs can get in on the fun in a variety of ways. You may choose to enter as either a single operator, using either SSB only, CW only or a mixture of both modes. Single operator stations can choose from three

power levels: High Power (greater than 150 W), Low Power (between 5 and 150 W) or QRP (5 W or less).

The SARL as an IARU Member Society has applied to ICASA for the call sign ZS9HQ as a special event station. If you would like to be part of the activity at the NARC send an email to Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, at contest@sarl.org.za. If you can not be at the NARC, you can also operate the SARL call sign from your own stations. Geoff is coordinating the time slots.

Individual radio amateurs are encouraged to participate. The rules can be found on www.sarl.org.za. The report is RS57 or RST57 South Africa is in ITU zone 57.

One of the fun things to do is see how many of the IARU special stations you can work during the event. While most stations give their ITU zone as part of the contest exchange, IARU Member-Society stations give the abbreviation for their IARU society name. In addition, IARU officials can give one of four unique exchanges: AC if they are on the IARU Administrative Council, or R1, R2 or R3 for the ITU Region that official serves. It is always special to see so many nations represented on the air by their national organization. It reinforces the global nature of Amateur Radio and the common bonds we all have as amateurs.

The IARU HF World Championship begins at 12:00 UTC Saturday, July 14 and goes until 12:00 UTC Sunday, July 15. Complete rules may be found on www.sarl.org.za link from the news item on the home page.

There are a number of SARL prizes to be won. The station that achieves the highest score on SSB or CW will receive a certificate and an ARRL Handbook. Stations achieving the highest score on each band will receive a certificate and all participants who send in a log will receive a certificate of participation. Please copy your log to contest@sarl.co.za to participate in the local of the championships.

BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN DURBAN ON 21 JULY

Full details of the SARL Radio Technology in Action symposium to be held in Durban on 21 July are now available on line at www.sarl.org.za. You can pre book and take part in an additional prize draw. If you like a programme to be sent to your inbox send an email to rta@sarl.org.za with RTA Durban in the subject line a PDF copy will be mailed to you.

A NEW RECORD FOR THE AGEING AO-7 SATELLITE

A new DX record has been achieved on the ageing OSCAR-7 amateur radio satellite between Wyatt Dirks, AC0RA, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Bill Dzurilla, OM3BD, in the Slovak Republic. Their GPS-measured 7849 kilometre QSO between grid squares EN31vx and JN88mf surpassed the prior 7843 kilometre record set by Luciano Fabricio, PY5LF, and Joe Spandler, K3SZH, by 6 kilometres back in 2010.

To make this record happen Wyatt had to wake up at 03:00, drive to a hill an hour away from his home, set up his station, and work OM3BD before sunrise at 09:55 UTC on July 2nd. To make the path, OM3BD was running a Yaesu FT847 with SP2000 preamp fed by a pair of 10 element yagis on 2 metres, and an 8 element yagi for 70 cm. On the other side of the Atlantic AC0RA also used a Yaesu FT-847 transceiver with a 7 element yagi on 2 metres and a 12 element yagi on 70cm.

YOUTH DAY SPRINT RESULTS

The winner of the SARL Youth day Sprint is Karel Bezuidenhout ZU6KB. Karel is 18 year old and will receive a certificate and a hardcover ARRL Handbook. Second was 16 year old Hendrik Veldman, ZU6LD . He will receive a certificate and ARRL Basic Antennas and third was 15 year old Dean Coetzee ZS6DPC. He also receives a certificate and the ARRL ABCs of Software Defined Radio Guide. The lucky draw prize, a 40 metre receiver kit was won by Mishaat operating from ZS2PE and the year SARL student membership was won by Tom Lewis ZU5TOM.

Congratulations to all the winners. Their prizes will be in the mail during next week.

G3PSM AWARDED THE DARC GOLDEN BADGE OF HONOUR

UK radio amateur Colin Thomas, G3PSM, has been awarded Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club Golden Badge of Honour for his work in achieving an amateur radio allocation at 472 kHz. According to the German national amateur radio society, G3PSM was involved in the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations or CEPT preparatory process meetings and at the WRC-12 conference itself. As a result of his skilful lobbying at many meetings, the CEPT proposal for an amateur radio allocation near 600 meters was fully supported and eventually granted.

OCTOBER RADIO AMATEUR'S EXAMINATION

The Sandton Amateur Radio Club will again offer a course leading to the Radio Amateur's Examination to be held in October 2012.

This course will be of interest to anyone who wishes to obtain an amateur radio licence, and also to anyone travelling around Southern Africa who makes use of radio communication.

The course begins on 26th July 2012 and extends over 12 weeks, up to the examination on 18th October.

Lectures are held every Thursday evening at the National Amateur Radio Centre, Octave Street, Radiokop.

The course includes the required HF assessment, and an optional practical Antenna Building Day.

Registration takes place at the first session at 19:00 on 26th July, and includes a general introduction to Amateur Radio and to the course. There is no charge for this first session and anyone interested in

finding out what amateur radio is all about, is welcome to attend this introductory session.

For more information and pricing please contact: Greg Maynard Cell: 079 111 2850 Email: greg-m@mweb.co.za

CONTEST NEWS

The committee only received 10 logs from five Clubs for the digital leg of the SARL 80 metre Club Contest.

1st West Rand ARC - 26 points from 4 logs 2nd Sandton ARC - 17 points from 2 logs 3rd Port Elizabeth ARS - 11 points from 2 logs

The combined scores after three contest are: 1st West Rand ARC - 179 points 2nd Bloemfontein ARC - 46 points 3rd Port Elizabeth ARS - 21 points

The full details were published in HF Happenings 511.

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected Solar activity will be at moderate levels. Behemoth sunspot AR 1 515 is crackling with M-class flares and appears to be on the verge of producing an X-class explosion.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 103, more than double that of last week.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 14 July - IARU HF Championship competition from 12:00 UTC 14 July till 12:00 UTC 15 July. Offer your service at the NARC station by email to Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, at contest@sarl.org.za. 21 July - SARL Radio Technology in Action symposium in Durban. Get details from www.sarl.org.za, request program by email to rta@sarl.org.za. 26 July - RAE course by the Santon ARC. Contact Greg Maynard at 079 111 2850 or email to greg-m@mweb.co.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dick, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click

on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johan ZS4SS, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73. /EX

====================== Message Ends ====================== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1194. eHam.net News for Saturday 7 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 22:12:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934109d88b20a04c444adcb@google.com>
Source record: 2561
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Maui Prep Amateur Radio Enthusiasts Broadcasting Around the World:

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28597

NAPILI - Nathaniel Muto, 11, may well be the youngest ham in Hawaii! Nathaniel, Griffin Sagar, 12, and Maui Preparatory Academy teacher Ian Cowan recently took the FCC technician class exam at the Maui County Civil Defense headquarters in Wailuku. "All three passed with flying colors! Our three test-takers have now earned their amateur (ham) radio licenses and are now contacting hams from around the world from the Maui Prep Amateur Radio Club station located in a classroom on our beautiful campus," explained former Maui Prep Principal Dr. Mike Manafo. "Through the benevolence of hams on Oahu and Maui, along with the Schools of the Future grant, we now have a fine station capable of transmitting on 11 different amateur frequency bands and able to reach stations throughout the world on SSB, CW and FM." To date, KH6MX, the club's call sign, has contacted more than 300 stations in 17 different countries. The Maui Prep Amateur Radio Club grew from a one-week interim activity in February to a full-fledged club that meets Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until 4 p.m. MPA students are welcome to join at no cost and work toward earning their radio license.

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FCC Shuts Down Fallbrook Pirate Radio Station:

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28596

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation (NOUO) to a Fallbrook resident for broadcasting on an unlicensed broadcast radio station, also known as a "pirate" radio station. According to the NOUO document, the FCC received information that an unlicensed broadcast radio station on 106.1 MHz was allegedly operating in Fallbrook. On May 22, agents from the San Diego FCC office confirmed by direction-finding techniques that radio signals on frequency 106.1 MHz were emanating from a residence in Fallbrook's Gird valley area that reportedly belonged to Lewis A. Parks. According to Robert Gonsett, who is involved with the Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club and works in the broadcast engineering field, broadcast stations that are unlicensed are nicknamed pirate stations; they are not pirated stations, which would imply that an existing station was taken over by outlaws. "A pirate station is a new

station, created from scratch, often using equipment that has not been approved by the FCC," he said. "The important point to make to the public is that all radio and television broadcast stations that transmit signals 'over the air' in the US must be licensed by the FCC in Washington, DC. There are some extremely low powered exceptions. For example, in the FM broadcast band, you can legally use a wireless microphone provided the device meets stringent restrictions established by the FCC. The device must be so low powered, and the antenna so short, that it would not be heard much beyond a radius of about 100 feet. So, if you find a device that transmits further than that, you have most likely found a pirate transmitter that would not be legal for use in the United States without a license from the FCC."

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Sun Erupts with Strongest Summer Solar Flare Yet:

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28595

The most powerful solar flare of the summer so far erupted from the sun Friday (July 6), the latest in a string of powerful storms this week from our nearest star, space weather experts say. The sun storm occurred just after 7 p.m. EDT (2300 GMT) and registered as a class X1.1 solar flare -- one of the strongest types of solar flares possible, according to the U.S. Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC) run by NOAA and the National Weather Service.

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Solar Flare Results in Radio Blackout:

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28594

NASA sun-watchers have reported that the Sun has released another M-class solar flare, causing a moderate radio blackout on the morning of July 5. Astronomers have been watching Active Region 1515, a particular sunspot complex on the surface of the Sun, which is currently moving across the Earth-facing side of the Sun. Sunspots are caused by regions of magnetic activity on the surface of the Sun, which are capable of causing eruptions of energy and particles which potentially affect the Earth. Since, July 3, astronomers have watched region 1515 emit 12 M-class flares. The strongest flares are called X-class, while M-class rank second. The NASA release notes that Thursday's M-class flare was about half as strong as the weakest of the X-class flares. July 5's flare occurred around 7:44 AM EDT, and caused disruption to the layer of charged particles surrounding the Earth, called the ionosphere. High energy X-rays and UV light from the flare can cause continuous changes in the ionosphere, deflecting radio waves as they travel through it. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) classifies radio disruptions on a five-point scale, from R1 to R5, with R5 being the greatest disruption. Thursday's flare qualified as an R2. The NASA release notes that the radio disruption has since subsided.

1195. determine hurricane

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-07 22:19:08 UTC
From: me <me@me.com>
Message-ID: <172427733@aioe.org>
Source record: 2562

Dear fellows

it must be useful to depict the fine tuning of the weather in an efficient way;
could you explain how to study also the hurricane flow control?

Prior to any discussions about the hurricane , the source may be found at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch%3Fv%3DRo5bgsfaChM
http://www.youtube.com/watch%3Fv%3DRo5bgsfaChM
http://www.youtube.com/watch%3Fv%3DBwvKxUg2_HQ
http://www.youtube.com/watch%3Fv%3DBwvKxUg2_HQ
http://www.youtube.com/watch%3Fv%3DFMfAMP8_4YI
http://www.youtube.com/watch%3Fv%3DFMfAMP8_4YI
http://www.youtube.com/watch%3Fv%3DqRE4I6fUX74
http://beffrey2.yuku.com/forums/87/Tropical-Activity
http://beffrey2.yuku.com/forums/70/Weather-Photos

Yours, truthfully

1196. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 7 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-08 02:33:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93407bdf3026704c448529a@google.com>
Source record: 2563
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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An International Radio Station in Your Basement - Patch.com

Posted: 07 Jul 2012 12:21 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFgwhlxZ2O9uRbKjFY_YnrzL3ML6A&url=http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/an-international-radio-station-in-your-basement

An International Radio Station in Your Basement
Patch.com
What you didnt know is that you can still do that (minus astronauts) for about $15 for the license and starting at $90 for the handheld style of ham radio or cheaper if you hit an amateur radio flea market like the one I went to this morning in South ...

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Amateur radio operators hit emergency airwaves - Nanaimo News Bulletin

Posted: 07 Jul 2012 03:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHxCWYH2yM13Jq8izaQ2g_WUGpqRQ&url=http://www.nanaimobulletin.com/community/161373385.html

Amateur radio operators hit emergency airwaves
Nanaimo News Bulletin
Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association held its annual field day.

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Ham Radio in ECO report - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 11:31 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF9UtyT9g053MMC0JH84D55HZd8dw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/ham_radio_in_eco_report.htm

Ham Radio in ECO report
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur radio features in the European Communications Office (ECO) annual report.

1197. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 8 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-08 11:09:10 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93408b12036bf04c44f869a@google.com>
Source record: 2564
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Youth Amateur Radio Workshop

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LL6Nwgb0d4o/youth_amateur_radio_worksho
p.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In an on-going series of community workshops to introduce youth to the
hobby, its role and benefits, the Surrey Emergency Program Amateur Radio
Society (SEPAR) will present the next Workshop at the Surrey City Centre
Library, 10350 University Drive, Surrey, BC

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SARL gets set for IARU HF World Championships

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ihRwPzmtrWU/sarl_gets_set_for_iaru_hf_w
orld_championships.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Many radio amateurs are gearing up for the year's biggest HF competition:
the IARU HF World Championship. This 24 hour long contest is the highlight
of the HF contesting season, with plenty of opportunity to work DX from all
around the globe on CW and SSB

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Hams in Space team descend on Missouri

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fL_tKH2VfKA/hams_in_space_descend_on_mi
ssouri.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Attention amateur radio operators near Kansas City, Missouri! On July 20,
the Hams in Space Team will be giving their Satellite Presentation at the
University of Missouri, Kansas City's Communiversity. Communiversity is the
University's Community Education Program available to anyone from the
community who wishes to attend

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D1DJLyWxDgo/july_08.htm?utm_source=feed
burner&utm_medium=email

Behemoth sunspot AR 1 515 is crackling with M-class flares and appears to
be on the verge of producing an X-class explosion

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Listen for ARRL TI-2: Space in the Classroom satellite contacts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K-vkm5NqQdU/listen_for_arrl_ti2.htm?utm
_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL Teachers Institute - Space in the Classroom is this coming week -
July 9-12. The Institute will meet in Dayton, Ohio and is sponsored by the
Dayton Amateur Radio Association. Additional support from ARRL ETP donors
and Yaesu make this program possible

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9A20HQ in IARU HF Championship 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hrV2bT9yR7s/9a20hq_in_iaru_hf_champions
hip_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This year, the Croatian Amateur Radio Association team will participate in
IARU HF Championship using special callsign 9A20HQ

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Ham radio from the Eiffel Tower

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DfMhXlTqEEg/ham_radio_from_the_eiffel_t
ower.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A group of radio hams and French Servicemen will be active as TM70TRS or
TM70TE from the 3rd floor of the Eiffel Tower, approximately 300 meters
above the ground, between July 12-15th

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Trinidad and Tobago on air for IARU HF World Championships

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Tq3K6thboF0/trinidad_and_tobago_on_air.
htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Radio Society will be active as
9Y4HQ during the IARU HF World Championships (July 14-15th)

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Hungarian WFF Op

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1O5akWGluy0/hungarian_wff_op.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The members of the Regional Radio Sport Club Puspokladany and quest
operators will activate the rare Hevesi Fuves Pusztak Nature Reserve
(HAFF-020) between July 13-16th

1198. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 8 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-08 16:10:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9b34cd904c453baa3@google.com>
Source record: 2565
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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NY2SF

Posted: 07 Jul 2012 06:00 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353084-NY2SF&goto=newpost

Had the pleasure of visiting their station today and being some what of a
(new ham) I was amazed what a few people can do. I have worked a bunch of
special event stations but never knew what it took to run one.

Thanks Mike (K0BGP) for inviting me over!

I also saw just about every one of the VE's that gave me my General exam.

As
of yesterday, W0WDF (Butch)

Before
then, KD0OFJ

1199. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 8th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-08 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120708200003.89DF433C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2566
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 8th July 2012

Volvo Ocean Race Festival

As part of the celebrations in Galway for the Volvo Ocean Race, Galway Radio Experimenters Club have been QRV with a special event call sign EI12VOR. Located in the Global Village in South Park in the Claddagh area, they worked in conjunction with Scouting Ireland. Planned activities included Morse training, a Fox Hunt and QSL card design.

South Dublin Radio Club

We mentioned a few weeks ago that Daniel EI9FHB has been explaining the technology behind Radio-Frequency Identification to members of South Dublin Radio Club. At the club's meeting on Tuesday last, Daniel followed up his earlier presentation with a further talk about this technology. This included a demonstration of how transmissions from some of the devices in use in this area can be picked up on 13.56 MHZ, just below the 20 metre amateur band.

Solar and Wind Power operation

Olivier EI8GQB (who is also ON4EI) plans to operate for most of July from a caravan, using "green energy" - solar and wind power. He has a 500Ah battery bank, plus 180W solar panel and a 400W wind generator. He plans to use the EI80IRTS call sign during the IARU HF Championship contest next weekend and will use the contest call sign EI1A (Echo-India-One-Alpha) during the IOTA contest at the end of the month. Olivier's QRZ.COM page will carry a Live Information Banner with messages and live frequencies as well as daily information with photos and video.

Order of Malta Amateur Radio Station

Over the past week, the Italian Relief Corps of the Order of Malta operated an amateur radio station from the Order's headquarters in Rome. Donations collected as a direct result of this operation are to be used to finance a project tied to emergency communications.

The Sovereign Order of Malta is a sovereign subject of international law, even though it is not a country. From a DXing point of view, however, it is a separate entity and a relatively rare one at that, so the amateur radio operation last week - call sign 1A0C (One-Alpha-Zero-Charlie) - was one of the big attractions on the bands.

The 1A0C operation covered all bands from 6 metres to 80 metres, using SSB, CW and RTTY. Their QSO total was over 40,000, with almost 15,000 unique call signs in the log. This includes 80 EI and GI call signs, many of these achieving QSOs on 6 metres, which was no doubt welcome.

Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club

Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club from Dervock, Co. Antrim, will be running a Special Event Station on Saturday 21st July 2012 in conjunction with the Kennedy Kane McArthur Marathon celebrations. The call sign used will be GB0KKM. Dervcock-born Ken McArthur was the winner of the Marathon at the 1912 Olympics in Stockholm; more details on Kennedy Kane McArthur can be found at www.bit.ly/LRrK3T

Amateur Station Licence Examination

Fourteen candidates sat the licence examination on Thursday 28th June. We understand that ComReg have already issued the results to candidates. The next examination will be held in early October 2012 - exact date to be announced shortly.

EI DXCC List

We note two new EI call signs in the EI DXCC List at www.irts.ie/dxcc - the new award holders, both of whom live in Wexford, are Bernard EI4II (a very active participant in international contests) and Jim EI9GLB. Jim tells us that his initial DXCC award comes entirely from Logbook of the World QSLs.

Contest News

The Islands On The Air contest, held during the last weekend in July, always attracts considerable interest in Ireland. Plans by Olivier EI8GQB to participate in the IOTA contest were mentioned earlier in this bulletin. We are also aware that the Papa Lima DX Group (EJ0PL) will return to Little Saltee, EU-103, for the contest, while Gerard EI5KF will be operating from Bere Island EU-121.

In other contest news, those who entered the 80 metres counties contest in June should note that the deadline for log submissions is 17th July.

DX News

Laurent F8BBL will be on Corsica from now until 21st July. Corsica counts as EU-014 for the Islands on the Air Award. He will use the call sign TK12IOTA which will also be of interest to the prefix hunters. On 14 July he will make a side-trip to Lavelli Island, IOTA EU-164, signing TK12IOTA/P and finally on 18 July he will operate from Sanguinaires Island, IOTA EU-104, again using TK12IOTA/P.

Eric KV1J travels to the St Pierre and Miquelon Islands off the coast of Canada from 9 - 17 July. He will be on the air as FP/KV1J on all bands 160 - 6m. He will also take part in the IARU HF Contest on the weekend of 14/15 July.

John W5JON will be on the Caribbean islands of St Kitts and Nevis from 12 July until 2 August. He will use the callsign V47JA and will be active in the IOTA Contest on 28 - 29 July.

Moroccan stations are permitted to use the prefix 5C13 instead of their usual CN prefix until 27 July. This is to celebrate the 13th anniversary of the crowning of King Mohammed VI.

A special event station, CK6S, will be QRV from the city of Calgary in Canada from now until 15 July. This celebrates the 100th Anniversary of the famous Calgary Stampede. QSL manager is VE6AO.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1200. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1069

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-08 21:40:30 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <11010.36500.qm@smtp113.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2567
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1069
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1069
BID: $OPDX.1069
July 9, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, ARRL Web page, K1XN & GoList, NG3K & ADXO, NJ1Q & W1AW, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, W5HNS, W5SJ/4, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8YSE, KQ8M, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, 9A1AA, AT International, DJ7IK, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, GM3WOJ, HP1AC, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, ON4EI, ON4ZD, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, SV1RP, VA3RJ & ICPO and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-July, through Sunday, 8th-July there were 210 countries active. Countries available: 1A, 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH3, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1A, SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA (Wrap-up). The 1A0C operation went QRT on July 5th. As per their Web page, the 1A0C operation made 40957 QSOs with 14479 unique callsigns (14735/CW, 20268/SSB, 5950/RTTY and 4/FM). Breakdown by continent is as follows: 427/AF, 3226/AS, 27142/EU,

9320/NA, 288/OC and 554/SA. QSL via OQRS or LoTW. The OQRS is now available online at: http://www.1a0c.com/qsl-information

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND. A team of operators from Switerland known as the "Radio 7 Team" will be active as 3B9SP from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between October 16-23rd. Operators currently mentioned are Manfred/HB9ACA, Michel/HB9BOI, Herbert/HB9BOU, Eugen/HB9BQP, Nicolas/HB9CYF, Cedric/ HB9HFN, Bertrand/HB9SLO, Fritz/HB9TNA and Alain/HB9TYJ. The pilot station will be Sebastien/HB9ICC and the coordination in Mauritius is Jacky, 3B8CF. Their goal is to set up three amateur radio stations that can be run together on different Amateur Radio bands. Mostly one on CW, one on SSB and the third running special modes like RTTY and PSK31. They hope to use small 400 watt solid state amplifiers for the CW and SSB stations. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using two 3 element Spiderbeams (20/17/ 15/12/10m), verticals for 40/30/20m, a Butternut HF2V for 160/80/40m and a Slim Jim for 6 meters. QSL via HB9ACA direct or use the OQRS on ClubLog. The logs will be uploaded to LotW within 6 months after the DX Operation.

7T50/7U50/7V50/7W50/7Y50, ALGERIA. Members of the "Amateurs Radio Algeriens" (ARA - 7X2ARA) will be active using special prefixes to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Algerian Independence between now and December 31st. A special award/diploma is available for obtaining 50 points by working the following stations:
7T50I - Official Station (RC Algiers); 10 points; QSL via 7X2ARA
7W50I - Radio Club Station from East and South East area (RC Bou-Saada); 5 points; QSL via 7X2ARA
7V50I & 7U50I - Radio Club Stations from the south zone (RC Laghouat); 5 points; QSL via 7X2ARA
7Y50I - Radio Club Station from the West and South West area (RC Mos-taganem; 5 points; QSL via 7X2ARA
7X ordinary Algerian stations; 3 points

Complete details about the award are available on QRZ.com under any of the above special callsigns.

9A20, CROATIA (Special Event/Contest). This year the Croatian Radio Amateur Association team will participate in the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th) using the special callsign 9A20HQ. They shall be active on all six bands and both modes. QSOs with 9A20HQ are valid for the "20th Anni-versary of the 9A prefix" award and will be automatically confirmed via the Bureau - no need to send your cards. Details/rules for the "20th Anniversary of 9A prefix" can be found on:
http://www.hamradio.hr/index.php?option&#65533;m_content&view&#65533;ticle&id!16&Itemidy8

9H, MALTA. Giammario, IK0PEA, will be active as 9H3EA from Bugibba near La Valletta between August 5-17th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands plus 6 meters. He will be using a Kenwood TS 480-SAT with a vertical antenna. He may also use a dipole antenna for better performance on 30 and 40 meters. Focus will be on the Digital modes and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

AFRICAN TOUR (6W & C5). Dom, M1TKA, will activate two African countries during the month of August. His tentative schedule is as follows:
August 15-22nd - Senegal; Callsign 6W/M1KTA
August 22-29th - Gambia; Callsign C5/M1KTA
Activity will be on most HF bands using SSB, PSK and CW (in that order). He also mentions that he will use 6 meters if open from Senegal. For more information and updates, visit his Blog page at: http://m1kta-qrp.blogspot.com

AP, PAKISTAN. Operators Asad/AP2AUM, Muhammad/AP2MF and Khalid/AP2MKS will be active as AP2ARS from Swat District between 1300z July 14th and 1900z July 15th. They will operate from an elevation of 2300m ASL using frequencies 7050 and 14150 kHz, and the satellites. Power output will be 150 watts to an Inverted V dipole for HF and an egg beater for the satellite communications (Grid Locater: MM65HH). QSL via: PARS AP2ARS, P.O.BOX 1450, Islamabad, 44000, Pakistan.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (Update). The CY9M Team posted the following press release (#3) on July 6th [edited]: "Very soon it's time for an international team of 10 amateur radio operators to board their flights to Nova Scotia, Canada, to participate in the expedition to St. Paul Island, a top-40 'most wanted' DXCC.

Quick Facts: CY9M St. Paul Island, July 26th-August 1st, 160-6 meters, QSL via M0URX.

Once the team arrives at St. Paul, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, we plan to unpack and prepare six Elecraft K3 transceivers, four amplifiers, raise three Hex Beams and a number of other antennas in order to be active all bands from 160 through 6 meters CW, SSB and Digital.
The power station consists of three generators that will constantly charge three large battery tanks for maximum efficiency. We plan to consume more that 500 litres of fuel, large amounts of camping food and other 'necessities', including several hundred litres of water all of which are not found on the island.
The team, together with 2 tons of equipment and supplies, head out to sea on a 42 foot motor vessel on the evening of 25th July or on the morning of the 26th depending on weather. We expect to be active starting July 26th and continuously rock the bands until August 1st, weather permitting.
Participation throughout the IOTA contest.
After the activity, all contacts will be verified via LoTW and for those who want paper QSL, Tim Beaumont, M0URX, lends us his excellent manager services. The log will be available through ClubLog, likely after the expedition.
The activity is supported both financially and through the loan of equipment by several large clubs such as NCDXF, GDXF, ARRL and companies like Elecraft, Acom and DX Engineering. But we are most proud that so many individual amateur operators and DX chasers contribute to the activity out of their own pocket.
If you would like to donate any amount to the CY9M St. Paul Island Dxpedition, please click here: http://www.cy9m.com/donor
Feel free to follow us on Twitter and Facebook for the latest news

updates.
We look forward to working you from St. Paul Island, a top 40 most
wanted DXCC.

73, CY9M Team, St. Paul Island DXpedition
Bill, N2WB Kevin, VE3EN
George, EA2TA Steve, VA3FM
Christian, EA3NT Victoria, SV2KBS
Simon, IZ7ATN Bjorn, SM0MDG
Col, MM0NDX Mike, AB5EB"

The following media pages are available for this operation at:
Website: http://www.cy9m.com/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/#!/CY9M
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/CY9M.2012

DIAMOND DXCC (Additional Diamond DXCC Tools and Reports Now Available).
The ARRL Web page reports, "The Diamond DXCC Award, celebrating the 75th
anniversary of DXCC, has proven to be popular around the world. Nearly
700 applications have been filed, with K3RA presently sitting atop the
list with 200 of the 231 possible entities in the log. Some incredibly
rare places have been on the air in 2012 so far, including Tibet and
Socotra Island! Recently ARRL has been able to add some additional tools
and reports to the Diamond DXCC system. An online form has been added that
is similar to the Online DXCC application. The Diamond DXCC application
works the same way, except it is tailored to work for just the Diamond
DXCC entities." For the complete report and more details, visit:
http://www.arrl.org/news/view/additional-diamond-dxcc-tools-and-reports-now-
available

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting
their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them
(possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
1993 - AH1A Howland Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uIxN-85js
2006 - 5A7A Libya DXpedition: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ofy8MZLYY
2011 - A71DLH Qatar DXpediiton: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f0zo-fS
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If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to
have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish
it.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update). Norman, 5B4AIF, will be active as E51E
from a villa in Tautu Village on Aitutaki Island (OC-083) between December
10th and January 5th (2013). Activity will be holiday style using just basic
antennas. Norman states, "I hope to have the HF2V for 40/80m. Shipped in
advance everything else will travel with us. Inverted V's will be used
for other bands unless I can get something 2nd hand to leave there. The
radio will be a IC-7000, the amp will have the full legal power of 400
watts. I would like to operate at least SSB and RTTY, I am learning CW
so if I am feeling able I will do some slow morse, but if no one sends

slowly I will have to try another mode." Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1825, 3525, 7020, 10105, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3793, 7185, 14215, 18160, 21295, 24950 and 28485 kHz
RTTY - 3630, 7035, 10145, 14090, 18105, 21090, 24925 and 28090 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50130/SSB

QSL via EB7DX only. He is a ClubLog user. He now has a Web page up
and running with a "bands/modes" needs survey available at:
http://aitutaki2012.com

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will be active as EF8X from Tenerife
Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-band entry. QSL via W2GR.
Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

EI1/EI8/EI80, IRELAND. Olivier, EI8GQB/EI1A/ON4EI, will operate as EI8GQB
between July 7-31st, from a caravan with green energy. He will take part
in the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th) and RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 28-29th). He will operate as a Single-Op/2R (2 radios) with 5
different antennas in a portable condition like disaster/emergency
situation. Follow his activities on <http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB>
where you will find a "Live Information Banner" with message and live
frequencies as well as daily information with photo and video. Between
July 28-29th, look for Olivier to use his new special contest callsign
EI1A during the RSGB IOTA Contest. He plans to use a solar panel and
a wind generator only. QSL EI8GQB and EI1A ONLY via the Bureau to ON4EI.
ADDED SPECIAL ACTIVITIES: Between July 14-15th, look for EI80IRTS to be
activated by Olivier/ON4EI and Bernard/EI4II from the Irish Radio Trans-
mitters Society (IRTS) HQ (Headquarter) station during the IARU HF World
Championship. Also, look for EI80IRTS to be active on July 21st. This is
a special callsign celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Irish Radio
Transmitters Society.

GO2, ENGLAND. The RSGB IARU UK HQ team (GR2HQ) will be active during the
IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th) with the special callsign GO2HQ
to celebrate the London Olympics this year. Other UK stations will also
start using the GO prefix on July 21st. Please QSL GO2HQ via M0OXO - see
<www.gr2hq.com> for more details.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS (IOTA Op). Vadym, UT6UD, will be active as H44UD from
New Georgia Island (OC-149), Western Province of Solomon Islands, between
July 10-17th. Activity will be holiday style, and he will work mainly on
CW during his evening and morning. If conditions permit, Vadym will try to
find time to activate the IOTA groups OC-047 and OC-158. QSL via his home
callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-113. Members of the Amateur Radio Taipei (ART) will be active as
BO0M from Matsu Island between July 27-30th. Activity will
include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th).
Operators mentioned are Tang/BM2AAV, Ken/BV1EL, Eddie/BV2DD,
Evan/BV2KS, Lee/BV2NT, Lee/BX2AB, Calvin/BX4AG, Alfred/VR2SA

and Bom/XX9LT. QSL only via: A.R.T. QSL Service, PO Box 73-326, Taipei, Taiwan. Visit the ART Web page at: http://art.ham.org.tw/en

EU-017. Dario, IZ4UEZ, to be active as ID9/homecall from Isola Lipari (IIA ME-001, MIA MI-053, WLOTA 1144, IPA: ME) between July 6-11th. Activity will be holiday style, using SSB only (RTTY under conditions). Equipment will be a FT857 w/100w into a fishing rod antenna, QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-032. Operators Jacky/F4EGH (SSB) and Leon/ON4ZD/OS0S (CW) will be active as TM0BI from Fort Boyard Island (DIFM AT026, DFCF 17003) both days July 25th and 26th, between 0700-1600z (+/-). This year they were not able to receive permission to remain during the night on the fort. Activity will be on the usual island frequencies on SSB and CW +/- 17 kHz above the band edge. There will be no Digital activity. All QSL info is available on QRZ.com.

EU-073. Members of Taranto ARMI section and 599 DX Team will be active as IJ7T from San Pietro Isle (IIA TA-002) between July 20-22nd. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators mentioned are Fabrizio/IZ7LDC (Team Leader), Francesco/IZ7AUH (Co-Team leader), Luigi/IZ7HYA (Logistic/ Equipment), Elso/I7LGM, Simone/IZ0BTV, Antonio/IK7WDS, Giuseppe/ IK7MOF, Alessandro/IZ7FMM and Aurelio/IZ8EGM. QSL via IK7WDS, direct or by the Bureau. QSL cards can also be requested via the OQRS on ClubLog. For more information, visit: http://www.armi.ta.it

EU-096. Tony, OH1TD, will be active from his summer home on Korpo Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via OH Bureau.

EU-123. Iain, MM0TFU, will be active as MM0TFU/p from Blackwaterfoot on the west side of the Isle of Arran (IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14), Clyde Islands, between July 19-28th. Activity will be before and during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via LoTW, preferred. QSL also via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-132. Adam, DJ0IF, will be active as SN0RX from Wolin Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via SP8RX.

EU-146. Ronny, ON6CQ, will be active as PA/ON6CQ from the Island of Schouwen Duiveland during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/SSB entry. QSL via ON6CQ, direct or by the Bureau (preferred), or 100% by LoTW.

EU-170. Feri, HA4BF, will be active as 9A/HA4BF/p from Vir Island (ACIA IC-200, CIA-55, IOCA CI-141, MIA MC-451, WLOTA 4050) between July 8-21st. Activity will be holiday style and SSB only. QSL

via his home callsign, direct, LoTW and eQSL.

EU-171. Operators Netti/DO6XX, Robin/DO2XX and Rene/DL2JRM will be active as OZ/homecalls from Vendsyssel-Thy/Nordjylland (DIA NJ-001) between now and July 21st. Netti and Robin will be active on 80-10 meters using SSB, with 100w and GP antenna. Rene will be active 80-10 meters using CW and SSB, with 100w and GP antenna. Rene will also operate /m from different DIA islands. QSL via their home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-171. Ric, DL2VFR, will be active as OZ0FR/p from Vendsyssel-Thy/ Nordjylland (DIA NJ-001) between now and July 20th. Activity will be on all HF bands, mostly CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Visit the Web site: http://www.iota-expedition.com

NA-067. Sergej, K0KOC, will be active as homecall/p from Ocracoke Island (USI NC001S, WLOTA 0466, Hyde County, NC) between July 26-30th. He will be using a Elecraft KX3 10W QRP, most of the time operating the Digital modes (JT65, PKS-31, RTTY), powered by 20w sun panels and LiFo battery only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

IQ1, ITALY (Special Event/Award). Members of the "Associazione Radioamatori Italiani" (ARI) will activate their club station as IQ1TW between July 1-31st. A special operating award - "Apollo Space Program • From the Earth to the Moon" - will be available. The award is to "commemorate and keep alive the memory of the space program which has revolutionized the life of humankind". To qualify for the award, you need to have confirmed contacts with the ARI Headquarters Station IQ1TW and any three stations from the following list: IZ1UMD, IZ1RFU, IZ1XBB, IZ1WVX, IZ1LBH, IK1WGZ, IZ1RGY, IZ2SMV and I1MXI. On July 20th, the anniversary of the first moon landing, a confirmed contact with IQ1TW (without the necessity of the other 3 contacts) will qualify you for the award. The special event stations will operate with 200 watts using dipole and vertical antennas. Full details, including a list of the planned HF operating frequencies and modes, log and confirmation information, rules, and application instructions are posted on the ARI web pages at: http://aritortona.xoom.it

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 9-15th)....
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Jul/10th AN Jul/13th AN Jul/15th AN
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K•1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K• 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K• 16-29

BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K$\hat{}$ 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K$\hat{}$ 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K$\hat{}$9 100-400

LX75, LUXEMBOURG (Special Event). Members of the "Radioamateurs du Luxembourg" [Luxembourg Amateur Radio Association - RL] (originally Reseau Luxembourgeois des Amateurs d'Ondes Courtes in 1937) will be active as LX75HQ during the IARU HF World Championship. This IARU society is celebrating their 75th anniversary. They plan to have 12 stations on the air from two locations - LX0RL and LX7I. QSLs for LX75RL and LX75HQ go via LX2A only. ADDED NOTE: LX75HQ also counts as 50 points towards a special award for the 75th anniversary of the RL. For details, see: http://www.rlx.lu

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 8th)

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3G90AA via CE3AA EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO PA/DL1DN/P via DL1DN
4S7BRG via LZ3HI EE1GEM via EB1GEM PC100NOM via PA0FAW
5B/DJ7TO via DJ7TO EG6RN via EA6URL PJ2/DF8ZH via DF8ZH
5C13BL via 6K5YPD EG7FCJ via EA7FC PQ7FD via PS7AB
5C13IG via 6K5YPD EH8TID via EA8NQ SC2012ARDF via
SM6AGR
5C13MC via CN(B) EI12VOR via EI4GRC SI9AM via SM3CVM
5C13NK via 6K5YPD ES2012ABCS via ES2TT SN7L via SP7PGK
5C13YAN via CN(B) ID9/IZ4UEZ via IZ4UEZ SN9F via SP9ZHR
5C13YZ via 6K5YPD II2BVI via IZ2QHV SV1CDY/8 via SV1CDY
5T0JL via ON8RA IY7MD via IQ7MU SX1K via SV1MQJ
7T50I via 7X2ARA JX9JKA via LA9JKA SX1Q via SV1JGW
7W50I via 7X2ARA KL1A via RW3AH (d-OE address) TC6BLH via TA1HZ
8J7FUKKO/7 via JA(B) LY54SOP via LY5W VO1/W8LRO via W8LRO
CG3B via VE3FOI LY2012TAFISA via LY2QT VO2/W8LRO via W8LRO
CK6S via VE6AO MJ/DL9MWG via DL9MWG VP5/OZ1LQO via
OZ1LQO
CO6LE via EA5GL MN5ALJ via GI7THH VX3ROYL via VE3NOO
CR6RS via CT1BAT OH0/DJ5HG via DJ5HG Z38VB via UA4WHX
DA0TTO via DL6MKA OZ/DB9HL via DB9HL ZA/UA4WHX via UA4WHX
DL/JA5AQC via JA5AQC OZ/DL2JRM via DL2JRM
E7CW via E73ESP OZ/DO6EBB/P via DO6EBB
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

NOT THE QSL MANAGER. Tim, KQ8M, reports that he is receiving QSLs for VE2CSI, and he is not the QSL Manager. He was only the the QSL Manager for the 1992 CQWW DX CW Contest between November 28-29th. Otherwise, QSL to M0URX according to QRZ.com.

QSL MANAGER OF THE YEAR. The Golist QSL Manager Data Service is reviving its QSL Manager of the Year Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize the service of QSL Managers world-wide for the service they provide to the World Wide DX Community. Nominations for this award will

be accepted by the Golist from DX and Contest clubs, world-wide, for the year of 2012. Each DX club and Contest club is encouraged to poll their members for their nominations for the Top 5 QSL Managers for 2012. The definition of a QSL Manager for this award is any person who confirms contacts via printed QSL Card for any station other than their Primary Call Sign. Each club should tabulate the votes of their members and submit to the Golist the Top 5 vote getters as voted by members of their club. Votes should be tabulated and sent to the Golist by August 1, 2012, to be eligible for the QSL Manager of the Year award. Each club world-wide may only send one submission for voting purposes. Records of submission will be maintained by the GOLIST. A plaque, donated by DX Publishing, Inc., publisher of QRZ-DX and THE DX MAGAZINE, will be awarded to the QSL Manager of the Year selected at the W4DXCC Convention held in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, in September 2012. The recognized format for your club's submission is as follows: Club Name; Club Officer (Name, Call Sign, club office and email address); Top 5 QSL Manager Nominees (list name and callsign). In the subject line of your official email: *QSL Manager of the Year-2012*. Send to: <golist@gmail.com>. Ending Date: August 1, 2012.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 7Z1CQ, 8P6NW, 9M2TO, 9V1YC, A45XR, CT1JOP, E72U, EA1VT, EA2RCF, EO2012KW, ER1DA, FG5FU, FK8DD, G3ZQH, G3ZRN, G4MLW, G5CL, HA5AQ, HI3TEJ, HK1MW, HP1/IZ6BRN, K1DW, K9ZM, LU5FF, LY2MM, N2MH, NP2KW, OE9ICI, OH8L, OK1DX, OM0CS, ON4KEB, PA7RA, PJ7PT, R7AU, R7NA, VE1NB, VE2PID, W0RU, W5PR, WS7V, YT9M and YU2VZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0FC, 3Y8XSA, 4C1JPG, 4M5CW, 4M5M, 6Y5R, 8P6EX, 9L0W, 9M0L, 9M6YBG, 9Q0HQ/7, A52JY, A52KJ, AP2JZB, CU1AC, CU2X, ER1DA, EK6TA, FJ/OH2YL, FO/OH1RX, FR1LB, HK0NA, J69MV, J79XB, KH9/W0CN, LX1NJ, OH0R, OM7M, PZ5T, SM0/JH0CJH, SV2ASP/A, TX6T/P, TX8CW, VP6T, WP3Y, XP1A, ZD7XF and ZK2C

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SK9, SWEDEN. The Swedish SSA Youth Team (SK0YT) initiative will be manning SK9HQ during the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th) as a Multi-Multi entry on 160-10 meters SSB. Their QTH will be Kvarnberget ARC club station SK0UX. A total of seven youngsters will participate this time and the aim is to introduce "contesting" and to give them the opportunity to practice operator techniques. QSL via SM6JSM.

SV9, CRETE. Claude, HB9CRX, will be active as SV9/HB9CRX from Kissamos Island (EU-015) between July 9-21st. Activity will be on 30-6 meters using CW only and running QRP 5 watts. QSL via his home callsign.

SX1, GREECE. Members of the Radio Amateur Association of Greece (RAAG), the National Technical University of Athens and DXPlus Hellenic Radio Amateur M.I. Team will activate special event station SX1GR from the "Sacred Rock of Acropolis of Athens" between July 18-22nd. Look for activity to be on all HF frequencies using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. Activity will also be on 6 and 2 meters. The station/stations will be active during the hours of museum operation. A special QSL award and

special engraved QSL plaque will be available on request for any QSO. For additional information please contact SV1HER at: vanikiotis@freemail.gr QSL via SV Bureau. See QRZ.com for more details.

TC, TURKEY (Correction/Update to OPDX.1066). Tevfik, TA1HZ, informs that there has been a mistake regarding the callsign to be used from Kefken Island's (AS-159) Lighthouse during the RSGB IOTA Contest weekend. It was originally mentioned that the TC2KLH callsign would be used, but the callsign now will be TC0KLH during the activity between July 27-29th. Please QSL via the TA QSL Bureau.

TM70, FRANCE (Special Event/Update - Callsign Granted). Operators Philippe/F5SKW, Dimitri/F5SWB, Freddy/F5IRO/J28RO, David/F8CRS, Yves-Michel/F5PRU, and possibly some other hams and French Servicemen will be active as TM70TE from the 3rd floor of the Eiffel Tower, approximately 300 meters above the ground, between July 12-15th. Activity is to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the French Army Signal Corps. Activity will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and on the HF and VHF (JN18du) bands. Operations will be 24 hours each day. A special QSL card will be available. QSL via the F6KHX ARC or F5OGL, direct or by the REF QSL Bureau.

TO5, MARTINIQUE. Lars, K9FY, will be active as TO5U from Martinique (NA-107) between July 11-18th. Activity will be holiday style on all HF bands using CW and SSB ("as condx and time away from beaches and Caribbean-French eateries and water holes allow"). QSL via his home callsign direct.

UE95, RUSSIA (Special Event). Look for special event UE95K to be active between July 14-22nd. Activity is to celebrate the 95th anniversary of Pavel Kamozin, a twice hero of the Soviet Union, as a flight commander, deputy commander, and commander of a squadron of a fighter aviation regiment. QSL via RV3YR.

V3, BELIZE (Update). Operators Henry/W5HNS, Jay/K0BCN and Marty/W5MRM will be active as V31WH, V31MX and V31MO, respectively, from Cay Caulker (NA-073). The team will arrive on July 23rd, and possibly be on the air that day. They will return to the U.S. on July 31st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using a 5 band hexbeam and a 40m dipole, operating CW, PSK and SSB. Jay and Henry are the CW ops (as well as SSB) and Marty will operate on SSB. They may possibly have two transceivers on before the RSGB IOTA contest. During the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th), they will sign V31MX and be on the contest allowed bands alternating SSB and CW (on 40m and up). QSL via their home callsigns or LoTW.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Operators Bob/W5UQ and Bill/W5SJ are in their last minute preparations for their annual July trip this time they hold the callsigns VP2MUQ and VP2MSJ, respectively, between July 17-24th. Activity will be a casual, holiday style, DXpedition with an emphasis on CW on the 30/17/12 meters bands plus some limited RTTY..... EXCEPT for the weekend when Bill will take on the CQWW VHF Contest (July 21-22nd) with a 7 element, M2, 6M7JHV and Bob's Expert Amp, 1K FA for all bands, including 6 meters for the contest. They'll be operating from Gingerbread Hill.

QSLs go to W5JAY.

VY2, CANADA. A group of Eastern Ontario amateur radio operators will be operating from Prince Edward Island (NA-029) between July 12-16th. During the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th), they will be using VY2RAC as Canada's HQ station. They will be operating as Multi-2 entry, both CW and SSB. QSL via: Radio Amateurs of Canada, 720 Belfast Road, Suite 217, Ottawa, Ontario, K1G 0Z5, Canada.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia announced that they have received a landing permit from the NZ Dept. of Conservation for ZL9HR Campbell Island DXpedition in November.

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA. Bernie, ZS4TX, announced this past weekend that he will be active during the upcoming CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He also mentioned that he will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. QSL both events via LoTW.

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1201. eHam.net News for Sunday 8 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-08 22:06:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfc69e8d404c458b41c@google.com>
Source record: 2568
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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An International Radio Station in Your Basement:

Posted: 07 Jul 2012 05:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28601

Ham radio is alive and well, and despite cell phones and the Internet, is still the best way to run a parade, marathon, or send information during a catastrophe. Some folks may remember being able to talk to astronauts in the space station from school. Others maybe knew someone with an international ham radio setup in the basement. What you didn't know is that you can still do that (minus astronauts) for about $15 for the license and starting at $90 for the handheld style of ham radio or cheaper if you hit an amateur radio flea market like the one I went to this morning in South Milwaukee (with roots in the military, these ham things start at the crack of dawn). But why now, what else does it do, and how does it work, you may ask? I just found out that parades, bike races, marathons are being managed by understated folks with ham radios. The kind of guy that may not want to tell you his last name, but who has an internationally recognized call sign that ties to his home address at qrz.com. It makes sense -- routes are long, and walkie-talkies only reach so far. Cell phones do not have an open line and cannot broadcast. However, a ham operator at a route juncture can signal others about conditions and race details.

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Need QSL Cards from New Guinea or Solomon Islands (1939-1943):

Posted: 07 Jul 2012 04:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28598

A 501C-3 non-profit is building a $3.5M WW2 Educational Center adjacent to the last remaining operating WW2 PT Boat. We are looking for QSL cards from subject and-or LT Arthur Reginald Evans (NZ) who radioed in the rescue of PT 109's crew. Donor will receive honors and ceremonial ride onboard PT 658 (completely restored with weapons systems and 2000HP Packard engines) and discounted weekend room at next year's Memorial Day celebrations at Jantzen Beach Red Lion Hotel in Portland, OR.

1202. vvvvvvvvvvvv

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 01:01:52 UTC
From: kulithalaivrv@gmail.com
Message-ID: <425f4515-abf6-485e-a0d3-39a39ec71f69@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2569

http://amigos.com/go/g1371352-pct
http://bigchurch.com/go/g1371352-pct
http://indianfriendfinder.com/go/g1371352-pct

1203. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 8 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 02:18:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30334f9fda877304c45c389a@google.com>
Source record: 2570
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Thanks from ham radio members - Anniston Star

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 12:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHAPzAr6KyUNRR9P2LsfOG9bYnWKg&url=http://annistonstar.com/view/full_story/19224463/article-Thanks-from-ham-radio-members?instance%3Dhome_special_sections

Thanks from ham radio members
Anniston Star
Thanks from ham radio members - As the public information officer for the Calhoun County Amateur Radio Association I want to recognize and thank members of the Calhoun/Cleburne County American Red Cross Chapter as well as the deputies from the Cal.

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Youth Amateur Radio Workshop - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 12:26 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHk32YJ4YLJtdOYC-DZ2K_LT2YvFA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/youth_amateur_radio_workshop.htm

Youth Amateur Radio Workshop
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
In an on-going series of community workshops to introduce youth to the hobby, its role and benefits, the Surrey Emergency Program Amateur Radio Society (SEPAR) will present the next Workshop at the Surrey City Centre Library, 10350 University Drive, ...

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Maui Prep amateur radio enthusiasts broadcasting around the world - Lahaina News

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 09:49 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF8NfaAJFPxvN2xN-K9iqJMkQwwEg&url=http://www.lahainanews.com/page/content.detail/id/508328/Maui-Prep-amateur-radio-enthusiasts-broadcasting-around-the-world.html?nav%3D19

Maui Prep amateur radio enthusiasts broadcasting around the world
Lahaina News
Our three test-takers have now earned their amateur (ham) radio licenses and are now contacting hams from around the world from the Maui Prep Amateur Radio Club station located in a classroom on our beautiful campus," explained former Maui Prep ...

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Ham radio - Citizens Voice

Posted: 01 Jul 2012 01:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGFuH_CBmpzKcZV5hh0Dahcx7Nr7Q&url=http://citizensvoice.com/news/on-the-town-7-1-12-1.1337491

ï‚» Ham radio
Citizens Voice
ï‚» Ham radio. The 33rd annual Murgas Amateur Radio Club Hamfest and Computerfest starts at 8 a.m. at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds in Dallas. The flea market and convention of radio enthusiasts features amateur radio operators from across the ...

and more

1204. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 9 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 06:27:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a412acb004c45fb616@google.com>
Source record: 2571
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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NoBARC Hamfest Sunday August 12, 2012 Adams, Mass.

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 05:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353130-NoBARC-Hamfest-Sunday-August-12-2012-Adams-Mass&goto=newpost

http://www.nobarc.org/hamfest.htm

NoBARC Hamfest

Sunday August 12, 2012

Bowe Field (Adams Agricultural Fair Grounds)

Right off of Route 8 in Adams, Ma.

NoBARC's 40th Anniversary will be celebrated with a Special Event Station
at the site.

Tailgating - Large Pavillion - LOTS OF PARKING !!

Food - Raffle Prizes - 50/50 Raffle - V.E. Session @ 9:00 AM

Talk-in 146.910 / PL 162.2

DETAILS

Gates Open:

8:00 AM for Sellers

9:00 AM for Shoppers

Admissions:

Adults: $5.00

Children under 12 FREE!

Tailgaiting:

$10.00 w/one admission.

Pavillion Space:

$5.00 per person admission

$10.00 per table (tables rented at cost)

For more information, contact:

Tim at: hamfest@nobarc.org

Eight Grand Prize Raffle Items!

TWO Wouxon 2M/440 HTs

TWO Wouxon 2M/220 HTs

FOUR Baofeng 2M/440 HTs

Ticket Pricing:

$4.00 ea. / 3 for $10.00

Contact a NoBARC Member

~or~

Buy them at the Hamfest

73 K2HAT Lee

1205. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 9 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 11:04:19 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934043fca517904c463928c@google.com>
Source record: 2572
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with STEM High School Aerospace Scholars, Houston, Texas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lsue1aHv6yY/ariss_event_1007.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars, Houston, TX on 10 July

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ADIF2KML shows your QSOs on Google Earth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4G2dGFidafM/adif2kml.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ADIF2KML is an application that plots your ham radio QSOs as pins on the Google Earth (tm) map of the Earth. You can see where your QSOs or QSLs came from as the Earth spins slowly on your PC screen

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Algerian Independence special award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g6k67tn_Owc/algerian_independence_special_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the 'Amateurs Radio Algeriens' (ARA - 7X2ARA) will be active using special prefixes to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Algerian Independence between now and December 31st

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Reform of the Outer Space Act 1986: Consultation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_WjR-iak-Is/reform_of_the_outer_space_act.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK Space Agency has issued a public consultation seeking views of stakeholders on proposed changes to the Outer Space Act 1986

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/k08A91ayZaw/dxcc_report_0907.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
1st-July, through Sunday, 8th-July there were 210 countries active

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Rodrigues Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xNsQiIAhEH0/rodrigues_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team of operators from Switerland known as the 'Radio 7 Team' will be
active as 3B9SP from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between October 16-23rd

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Sun Cycle lecture

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Kwxx7-mJCdk/sun_cycle_lecture.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Tuesday, 10 July, Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club
will present a lecture by Paul L Money FRAS, FBIS, Lincolnshire-based
astronomer, well known for his talks and reviews on the BBC's 'Sky at
Night' programme

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Additional Diamond DXCC tools and reports now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wv6D5YVkTiI/diamond_dxcc_tools_and_reports.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Diamond DXCC Award, celebrating the 75th anniversary of DXCC, has
proven to be popular around the world. Nearly 700 applications have been
filed, with K3RA presently sitting atop the list with 200 of the 231
possible entities in the log

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fA8o8IJTTYE/july_09.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WRkzzFX0LEA/history_09_july.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1206. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 8th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 12:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120709120004.9198233C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2573
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 8th July 2012

The news headlines:

* Society publishes proposals for strategy and new governance arrangements.

* Final call for 2 metre data band plan consultation

* Olympics frequency regulations start taking effect

On 7 July, the Society published two very important consultative documents. These are on the RSGB website and in the August Edition of RadCom. They contain proposals for a 3-year strategy for the society, together with new governance arrangements. All members are encouraged to participate during the consultation period that runs until 20 August. You can make comments by joining in two Litmus Tests to be conducted via the website, by e-mail either to strategy@rsgb.org.uk or governance@rsgb.org.uk or by post to RSGB HQ.

A recent item on GB2RS and a fuller article in July's RadCom detailed proposed changes to the 144MHz data band plan and the intention to consult on these changes using a Litmus Test via the RSGB website. Responses have been generally very positive and it is intended to bring the consultation to an end on 15 July. A final call for comments will be posted on the website this week. Anyone wishing to make an input can find the consultation at www.rsgb.org/consultations. Owing to a technical issue, if you have previously posted on this Litmus Test, you will have to recreate your user account if you wish to post again. This was caused by our moving the Litmus Test to a new server. The Society apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

As previously announced by Ofcom, the temporary restrictions on 70cm, 2.3GHz and 3.4GHz around Games venues are now in force until 23 September. Changes to repeaters affected by Annex C of the Ofcom 70cm restrictions have also been implemented. GB3OK at Orpington, Kent and GB3NS at Banstead, North Surrey have changed to their new 9MHz split operating frequencies. GB3EK at Margate in East Kent has temporarily reduced power; whilst the new temporary Olympics repeater GB3OY in East London has begun operation. The RSGB website has details of these, as well as important updates for the temporary usage of 2m and Ofcom's enhanced enforcement powers that also come into effect later this month, at www.rsgb.org/Olympics. The next edition of RadCom will also include details, as well as the latest arrangements for special events and operating opportunities.

A new DX record has been achieved on the ageing OSCAR-7 satellite. This was between Wyatt, AC0RA in Iowa and Bill, OM3BD in the Slovak Republic. Their GPS-measured 7849km QSO between grid squares EN31vx and JN88mf surpassed the prior 7843km record set in 2010. To make the path, OM3BD was running a Yaesu FT-847 with SP2000 preamp fed by a pair of 10 element Yagis on 2m and an 8 element Yagi for 70cm. AC0RA also used a Yaesu FT-847 transceiver with a 7 element Yagi on 2m and a 12 element Yagi on 70cm.

Tasmania's first D-Star repeater is on the air. VK7RRR is the southernmost D-Star repeater in the world, and the first and only such public digital voice repeater in Tasmania. The system operates in the 70cm band, listening on 432.725MHz and transmitting on 438.125MHz with 50 watts of output power.

There have been four named storms in the Atlantic already this year. Although none have made the news, it is time for the reminder that amateur radio continues to play a part in gathering and distributing information for the weather and emergency services each year. Radio amateurs in Region 1 are reminded that some frequencies may be in use by nets in North and Central America. It is possible for Region 1 amateurs to cause unintentional interference to these nets. 14.300MHz is used by the Maritime Mobile Service Net daily and, as well as handling traffic from Maritime Mobile

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 9 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Stations, also gathers weather reports from maritime stations to assist forecasters. 14.325MHz is used by the Hurricane Watch Net and the net is established whenever it appears that a storm may affect the US mainland. The net gathers weather information and links to the American National Hurricane Centre. 14.265MHz is used by the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network, which provides Health and Welfare traffic links for those in affected areas, as well as supporting the Salvation Army Disaster relief response should a hurricane strike. A number of other frequencies are used by specific countries and details of those can be found on the IARU Region 1 website, www.iaru-r1.org.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The 49th Cornish Radio Amateurs Club Rally takes place today, 8 July, at Penair School, St Clements, Truro, Cornwall, TR1 1TN. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. Details from Steve on 01209 844 939.

On 15 July, the McMichael Rally and Boot Sale takes place at Reading Rugby Club, just off the A4 east of Reading. There is free car parking and the gates open at 9.30am. Admission is £2. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and a car boot area. More details from Pete, G8FRC on 01189 695 697.

QRP in the Country will take place on 15 July at Upton Bridge Farm, Long Sutton, Langport, Somerset TA10 9NJ, regardless of the weather.

Organiser Tim Walford says the cattle sheds have been cleaned and it will be indoors if the weather stays bad. The farm gate opens at 10am. Don't forget to bring your entries for the Ten Part Receiver Challenge!

Now for the news of special events

Poldhu Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB5TEL from Goonhilly Earth Station on Wednesday 11 July to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first transatlantic TV transmission via Telstar.

Riviera Amateur Radio Club will be operating a portable station from Brixham Breakwater on Thursday 19 and Friday 20 July in support of RNLI Torbay's Lifeboat Week 2012. The club callsign MX0RIV will be active on HF and VHF frequencies. Up-to-date frequencies are on the club website, www.rivieraarc.org.uk.

GB10SOTA, celebrating 10 years of Summits on the Air, continues from the summit of Mount Snowdon, GW/NW-001. Using HF, VHF and UHF, operation will continue until 15 July from the summit of the highest mountain in England and Wales. Details are on QRZ.com.

The RSGB team for the forthcoming IARU contest on 14 and 15 July has obtained the special callsign GO2HQ for use in this Olympics year. This is in advance of the general validity of O prefix NoVs, which commence at 0000BST on 21 July.

GB4TDF will be on the air to celebrating the 99th year of the Tour de France. Operating from Hancocks Radio Hut Low Bentham, Lancaster until 23 July. Main operators will be Barrie, G1JYB, Stephany, G1LAT, and members of Sands Contest Group.

Moroccan operators will use the special prefix 5C13 until 27 July in celebration of the 13th anniversary of the crowning of Mohammed VI as King of Morocco. QSL as directed by each operator.

Netherlands special event station PC100NOM will be active until 29 July to commemorate then 100th anniversary of The Netherlands Open Air Museum in the city of Arnhem. The operator is PA0FAW who is using CW, SSB and PSK on the various HF bands. QSL via PA0FAW, either direct, via the bureau or electronically using eQSL. SWL reports are also welcome.

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N6NB and W6TAI will be active as E51YNB and E51TAI from Rarotonga for the IARU HF World Championship on 14 and 15 July. Their operation is expected to start a few days before the contest and last several days after the competition concludes. They will be on 15 to 40m, using SSB only. QSL both callsigns via N6NB.

Members of the Trinidad and Tobago ARS will also be active as 9Y4HQ during the IARU HF World Championships. Operations will be on all of the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL only via DF2RG, either direct or via

the bureau.

Quito Radio Club will be on the air as HD081QRC, Hotel Delta Zero Eighty One, between 14 and 22 July, to commemorate the founding of that organisation 81 years ago. Activity will be on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL HC1JQ direct or via the bureau.

W5JON will once again be operating as V47JA from his holiday home overlooking Calypso Bay on St Kitts from 12 July until 2 August on 6 to 80m using SSB. He also plans to take part in the IOTA Contest later in July. QSLs to W5JON either direct or via Logbook of the World.

Now the contest news

VHF NFD takes place over this weekend, ending at 1400UTC today, 8 July. At one time there was only one section in VHF NFD, these days there are six sections, including two for single-ops who stay at home and sweep the bands looking for the portable entrants. The number of teams, sweepers excluded, entering is almost the same now as it was 15 years ago, which is the earliest date of the results on the Contest Committee website. Using all modes on the 50 to 1296MHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Today, Sunday 8th, the third leg of the 144MHz Backpackers Contest takes place. Most of it overlaps the final part of VHF NFD, but it continues for one hour after VHF NFD ends. The maximum power in this event is 3 watts. Running from 1100 to 1500UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Tuesday 10 July sees the 432MHz UK Activity Contest taking place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Wednesday 11 July sees the SSB leg of the 80m Club Championships from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is the usual signal report and serial number.

The 2012 IARU HF World Championships will take place next weekend, 14 and 15 July, beginning at 1200UTC on the 14th and ending at 1200UTC on the 15th. The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs, especially IARU Member Society HQ stations, around the world as possible using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands, on phone and/or CW. The UK HQ station will be active and looking for as many QSOs as possible on as many HF contesting bands and modes as possible with as many people as possible. This includes UK stations. As mentioned earlier, the UK HQ station will be using a very special callsign for the event, GO2HQ, which should get them noticed. They will be the only Golf Oscar station in the world. The exchange is signal report and ITU zone, which for the UK is 27. As in previous years, there are awards for individuals and clubs who work it, see the rules on www.gr2hq.com.

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except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now the solar factual data for the
period from Friday the 29th of June to Thursday the 5th of July,
compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 6th of July

Two large sunspot groups dominated the solar disc all week and produced large solar flares every day. Solar activity was moderate but increased to high on the 2nd, 4th and the 5th. Seven M class solar flares took place on the 4th and ten on the 5th. Sudden ionospheric disturbances and coronal mass ejections were associated with the larger flares. Over one hundred smaller C class solar flares took place throughout the period. Solar flux levels increased from 117 units on the 29th to 166 by the 2nd. The average was 149 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 5th was 121, that's 3 units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B3.9 to C2.6 units by the 5th. The average was B8.4 units. Geomagnetic activity was dominated by the coronal hole disturbance that arrived on the 30th when the Ap index was 27 units and lasted until the 3rd. Only the 29th was quiet, with an Ap of 5 units. The average was Ap 16 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 360 kilometres per second on the 29th to 730 by the next day. Speeds then gradually declined to 450 kilometres per second by the end of the period. Particle densities were moderate for the first 3 days, reaching a peak of 25 particles per cubic centimetre during the morning of the 30th. Bz initially varied

th between minus 6 and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the 29 , but increased to minus and plus 12 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. VHF aurora was reported from high latitude stations during the early evening of the 2nd. A good 144MHz Es opening to Portugal, Spain and Morocco took place around 1800 hours on the 4th, with one or two stations also working Madeira and the Canary Islands. Es occurred daily up to 70MHz.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be rotating out of view. Solar activity should be moderate on some days. Solar flux levels should remain around present levels but could decline later in the week to around 130 units. Geomagnetic activity could increase due to any coronal mass ejections that head our way, however, if none do, then activity should remain mostly low. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 14MHz. Path this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800 and 1100 hours. During the evening peaking around 2200 hours the long path will be at its best with an MUF of around 27MHz and the optimum working frequency of about 21MHz. Sporadic-E is expected to take place all most every day, with openings occasionally up to 144MHz.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in VHF NFD at Brattleby Bomb Site all day today, Sunday 8 July. On Tuesday they are taking part in the 432MHz UK Activity Contest from the shack and on Wednesday G6COL is on the air for the 80m Club Calls SSB. There's a club net on 145.375MHz from 8pm on Thursday, and Saturday morning sees the surgery in the shack, plus a special event station for Lincoln Scouts at Brayford Wharf, opposite Nando's. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Lions Day on Wheels today, Sunday 8 July. On Wednesday it's the 3rd 2m DF hunt, with 2E0CLR as the fox. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Wythall Radio Club is holding a Sunday club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday, and there's a committee meeting in the shack on Tuesday. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

South Birmingham Radio Society is unloading its trailer on Monday, then holding an exam revision session on Thursday. Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603, for more information.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 9 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding a DF hunt. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 9 July Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding a barbecue and is on the air. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 10 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 10 July Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on simple wire antennas by Peter Day, G3PHO. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday 10 July Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is attending a talk on the solar cycle by BBC Sky at Night astronomer Paul L Money FRAS, FBIS. This talk is open to the public and takes place at Wainfleet Coronation Hall, High Street, Wainfleet, Lincolnshire, PE24 4BT. Doors open at 8.30 and admission is £2.50. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

On Tuesday 10 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is conducting practical antenna comparisons. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 10 July Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday 11 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 9 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday 11 July South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 11 July Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m SSB contest. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Friday 13 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Castles on the Air at Kenilworth Castle. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue and QRP portable evening on the club fields and surrounding hills on Monday. On Wednesday they are participating in the RSGB 80m Contest SSB from the club station, G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is holding a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm, and on Friday there is a club net on 145.450MHz from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Otley Amateur Radio Society is holding a Morse class, is on the air and doing antenna refurbishment on Tuesday. Saturday sees the start of the IARU HF World Championship Contest weekend event, from noon to noon. More information from Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Wednesday 11 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue and taking part in the 80m Club Contest at Bewholme on Wednesday. Saturday sees the start of the IARU HF World Championship Contest weekend event, from noon to noon. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 9 July Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk by John, G4NTY on building 6m and 4m Super Moxons. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Tuesday 10 July Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a treasure hunt. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 11 July Denby Dale Radio Club is holding a club net on 145.575MHz from 1930. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 11 July Goole Radio and Electronics Society is having a debrief after the VHF NFD contest. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Thursday 12 July Keighley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on RAYNET from 8.15 at Parkside Social Club, Butt Lane, Haworth, BD22 8QJ. Further details are on the KARS website.

On Thursday 12 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is watching the Secret War DVD. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 12 July Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk and demo on the Kenwood TS2000X by Phil, 2E0GBF. Contact Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 10 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 12 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a club holiday. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 2000 to 2100 on Monday. On Wednesday, Bob, G0YYY will be presenting the club awards. Friday sees a CW net from 1300 to 100 on 3.570MHz, followed by a 2m net from 2000 to 2100. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net from 8.30pm on Tuesday, then Wednesday sees a committee meeting at 7.30pm in Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members' equipment forum on Wednesday, then Sunday sees a visit to the McMichael rally & boot sale. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding an informal meeting on Wednesday, when the shack and workshop will be open and members will be taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship SSB. Sunday 15 July sees the club's very informal family and friends get together on the North Norfolk Coast at West Runton. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on squeezing the last few nanoseconds out of digital logic super-fast processors by Des Howlett G8FIF. Sunday 15 July sees the club running the McMichael Radio Rally at Reading Rugby Club, Sonning. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 9 July Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a natter night. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday 9 July East Kent Radio Society is having a barbecue at the QTH of Paul, G3VJF. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 9 July West Kent Amateur Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 10 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 10 July Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding its summer DF hunt. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 9 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Tuesday 10 July South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on astronomy by Bruce, G1JJS. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an operating evening. Contact Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday 11 July Darenth Valley Radio Society is having a talk on SSTV by Ray, G0FDU. Details form Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday 11 July Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is holding a Scrapheap Challenge. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday 11 July Southgate Amateur Radio Club is on the air in the Spinney. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 11 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening and is on the air for the 80m Club Championship SSB contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 12 July Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club night, with CW practice from 8:30 - 9pm. Details from Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday 12 July Edgware & District Radio Society is having a discussion on why members like amateur radio and what brought them into the hobby. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 12 July Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is closed due to a school prize giving. Contact Chrissie Turner, by email to

hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 12 July Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a social evening at the Bridge Inn, Amberley. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 12 July Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 6m. Contact David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday 12 July Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m pedestrian fox hunt, with Terry, G4OXD and Peter, M0CKA as foxes. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 12 July Vange ARS is watching a DVD. More information from Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Thursday 12 July Verulam Amateur Radio Club is holding a joint social evening with the GB3VH repeater group from 7.30pm at the Rose and Crown, Sandridge. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday 13 July Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an operating evening for beginners. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 13 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a post-event equipment check. Details form Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 13 July Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on smartphone ham software by M0SFX. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday 13 July Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Sunday 15 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is operating GB0IS for Theydon Bois Donkey Derby. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Exeter Amateur Radio Society is considering 4m ex-PMR radio operations in the Moose Centre at 19:00 on Monday. The club 2m net is on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a VHF NFD debriefing on Thursday. The GB2BLE Lundy Island DXpedition departs on Saturday, and on Sunday there's a club visit to QRP in the Country. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 8 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club holds its 49th Rally at Penair School. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Monday 9 July Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night with MX0RIV on the air. Contacs Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 9 July Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a Morse class and a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 10 July Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a demonstration of the merits of WDMorse by Ian Davies, G3KZR. Contact Nick, 2E0FGQ, on 01749 346 320.

On Tuesday 10 July Plymouth Radio Club is having an antenna building workshop with Chris Wingate, M5CJW. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Thursday 12 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 12 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having CW training and local testing of homebrew rigs. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 13 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and holding an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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1207. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 8th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 12:06:24 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jtehg1vei1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2574
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

<Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk> wrote in message
news:20120709120004.9198233C93@panix2.panix.com...
> GB2RS NEWS
> Sunday 8th July 2012
> ... You can make comments by joining in two Litmus Tests to be
> conducted via the website, by e-mail ... or ...
> by post to RSGB HQ.

Litmus? Isn't that something to do with either red faces on the part
of the Politburo, or the rank-and-file membership being left feeling blue?

Or, unless I misheard, something about ass-id?

1208. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 8th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 13:39:42 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jtemuv$uo0$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2575
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

<Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk> wrote in message
news:20120709120004.9198233C93@panix2.panix.com...
> On 7 July, the Society published two very important consultative
> documents. These are on the RSGB website and in the August Edition of
> RadCom. They contain proposals for a 3-year strategy for the society,
> together with new governance arrangements. All members are encouraged
> to participate during the consultation period that runs until 20
> August. You can make comments by joining in two Litmus Tests to be
> conducted via the website, by e-mail ... or ...
> by post to RSGB HQ.

This raises another query. Why bother in the first place with all that
technogimmickry hoo-hah?

Why not save a great deal of time and effort, and proceed directly
to the Club Nite Survey, in order to do what you wanted to do in the
first place?

1209. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 02 - 08 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 15:30:11 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120709153002.44E4F33C4E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2576
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jul 09 1449 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
02 - 08 July 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to high during the period. There were five major solar events, beginning on the 2nd of July. Region 1515 (S18, L=206, class/area=Fhc/900) was responsible for all of them. After a lackluster performance in the week prior (5 C-class x-ray events), it began this week with three M-class x-ray flares. The largest flare, an M5/2b at 2/1052UTC, brought activity to high levels for the first time since May 17th. The flare was accompanied by a Type II radio sweep (1063 km/s) and a 380 sfu Tenflare. A CME was subsequently observed in LASCO C3 coronagraph imagery at approximately 2/1254UTC, with most of the ejecta directed south of the ecliptic plane. The CME was also visible in STEREO-A and B COR2 coronagraph imagery.

Activity dipped to low levels on the 3rd when no M flares were observed. However, Region 1515 developed a beta-gamma-delta magnetic configuration that day. Activity returned to high levels the following day when Region 1515 unleashed an M5/2b flare at 4/0955UTC. Later in the day (04/2209UTC), it produced an M4 x-ray event accompanied by a 12,000 sfu 245 MHz burst, a Type II sweep (no speed estimate available), and a 220 sfu Tenflare. Of the seven M-class events that day, Region 1515 was responsible for six of them. The remaining M-flare, an M1/2n at 04/1639UTC, was produced by Region 1513 (N16, L=218, class/area=Dso/240). This event was accompanied by a 200 sfu Tenflare, and Type II radio (807 km/s) and Type IV radio emissions. A CME was captured by STEREO-B COR2 imagery at 04/1754UTC and STEREO-A COR2 coronagraph imagery at 04/1854UTC, and appeared to have an earth-directed component, consistent with Region 1513s geoeffective position.

High activity levels continued through the 5th and 6th of July as Region 1515 grew to its peak, covering 900 millionths of the solar disk and containing 60 spots. July 5th saw Region 1515 produce an M6.1/1b flare at 05/1144UTC accompanied by a 290 sfu Tenflare. The

following day, this region produced the largest flare of the week, an X1 x-ray event at 06/2308UTC. Although no optical flare was reported, the event was accompanied by a 520 sfu Tenflare, a Type II sweep (1771 km/s), and a Type IV sweep. A CME was subsequently observed in LASCO C3 coronagraph imagery at 06/2324UTC.

Activity dropped to moderate levels on the 7th as Region 1515s magnetic complexity, area and spot count decreased to beta-gamma, 780 millionths, and 43 spots respectively. A new region, Region 1520 (S15, L=86, class/area=Fhc/1070), was numbered as it rotated on to the east limb. It produced an M1 x-ray flare at 7/0728UTC.

High activity levels returned on the 8th, when Region 1515 produced an M6/1n at 08/1632UTC. The event was accompaned by a 640 sfu Tenflare, Type II (2271 km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps. LASCO C2 coronagraph imagery first indicated a CME at 08/1648UTC, with most of the ejecta directed southwest.

Two proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit during the week. A 10 MeV greater than 10 pfu event began at 07/0400UTC, peaked at 07/0745UTC (25 pfu), and ended at 07/2110UTC. This event was associated with the X1 x-ray flare observed at 06/2308UTC described above. Both 10 and 100 MeV protons were elevated again on the 8th of July following the M6/1n flare described above. Neither the 10 nor the 100 MeV protons had crossed their flux thresholds (10 pfu and 1 pfu) by the end of this report, ending the period at 6 pfu and 4 pfu, respectively.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit were at high levels from July 2nd through the 6th, and at moderate levels on the 7th and 8th.

Geomagnetic field activity began the week at active levels for the first three synoptic periods (02/00-02/09UTC), then decreased to quiet to unsettled levels until the 5th, when one active period (05/12-05/15UTC) was observed. The unsettled to active periods were attributed to the presence of a coronal hole high speed solar wind stream. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft was between 650-700km/s on the 2nd, decreasing to around 500 km/s on the 5th, with the Bz-component of the interplanetary magnetic field between 0 and -5 nT for much of the period. Activity for the remainder of the week was at quiet to unsettled levels with the exception of the 21-24UTC period on the 6th associated with a prologned period of negative Bz, and the 21-24UTC period on the 8th. Analysis of data from the ACE spacecraft suggest the activity on the 8th was associated with the arrival of the CME associated with the M1/2n flare on July 4th described above. Wind speed at ACE jumped from 400 to 472 km/s around 08/1500UTC and the Bz component of the solar wind began a smooth rotation from +10 to -9 nT over the course of the next nine hours.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
09 July - 04 August 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at moderate levels with a chance for high activity until Region 1520 reaches the west limb on 19 July. Low levels of activity are expected from 20-23 July, until old Regions 1515 and 1513 return on 23 and 24 July respectively. Moderate levels of activity, with a chance for high levels, are then expected through the end of the period.

There is a chance for proton events as Region 1520 moves into a favorable position beginning on the 13th of July though the 19th.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 28 July through 01 August associated with coronal hole high speed stream effects.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin at unsettled to active levels with CME passage, decreasing to mostly quiet levels from 10 July through 26 July. Activity is expected to increase to unsettled to active levels from 27 July through 2 July with the arrival of a coronal hole high speed stream. Activity is expected to then decrease to mostly quiet to unsettled levels through the end of the period.

1210. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 9 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 16:21:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <000e0cd518b8dc284704c46801c8@google.com>
Source record: 2577
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Big Solar Storm Hits Earth HF black Out Wide Spread across the HF bands

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 10:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353169-Big-Solar-Storm-Hits-Earth-HF-black-Out-Wide-Spread-across-the-HF-bands&goto=newpost

Extent of blackout of HF (high frequency) radio communication dependent
upon current X-ray Flux intensity.

Sunspot 1515 which is now about to rotate onto the western limb produced a
strong M6.9 Solar Flare at 16:32 UTC Sunday afternoon. Because of the
Sunspots location, any potential CME would be directed mostly away from
Earth. More updates to follow.

Space Weather Message Code: ALTXMF

Movie of the CME LINK

Serial Number: 176

Issue Time: 2012 Jul 08 1631 UTC

ALERT: X-Ray Flux exceeded M5

Threshold Reached: 2012 Jul 08 1630 UTC

NOAA Scale: R2 - Moderate

Potential Impacts: Area of impact centered on sub-solar point on the sunlit
side of Earth. Extent of blackout of HF (high frequency) radio
communication dependent upon current X-ray Flux intensity. For real-time
information on affected area and expected duration please see
http://www.solarham.net/index.htm

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ANS-190 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 08:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353146-ANS-190-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&go

to=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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ANS is a free, weekly, news and information service of AMSAT North America, The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation. ANS reports on the activities of a worldwide group of Amateur Radio operators who share an active interest in designing, building, launching and communicating through analog and digital Amateur Radio satellites.

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

July 8, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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New AO7 Distance Record Set Twice This Week

On July 2 at 0955Z Bill Dzurilla, NZ5N operating from Slovakia as OM3BD (grid JN88) reported a successful contact via AO-7 Mode B with Wyatt Dirks, AC0RA (grid EN31). The GPS-measured distance between grids JN88 and EN31 is 7849 km. Bill wrote, "Wyatt did all the hard work by waking up at 0300 his time, driving to a hill an hour away from his home, setting up his station, and working me before sunrise. It appears that an even longer distance is attainable,

and Wyatt is looking for a suitable place from which we can try before I leave Slovakia in mid-July."

Prior distance records set via AO-7 included:

PY5LF and ZS6BB 7630 kmPS8RF and ZS2BK 7694 kmK3SZH and PY2OV 7738 kmZS6BB and EA6SA 7766 kmPY5LF and K3SZH 7843 kmOM3BD and AC0RA 7849 km (July 2 record with AC0RA in grid EN31)OM3BD and AC0RA 7903 km (July 4 record with AC0RA in grid EN41)

On July 4, Wyatt, AC0RA woke up early and this time drove 150 miles to EN41 and set up his portable station. A contact, lasting 30 seconds, with OM3BD extended the distance record to 7903.55 km.

The theoretical maximum range of AO-7 is estimated at 7907 km.

Recordings, pictures, and further info at http://qsl.net/nz5n/AO7record.htm.

[ANS thanks and congratulates Bill Dzurilla, OM3BD/NZ5N and Wyatt Dirks, AC0RA for the above information]

Italian HF Special Event Commemorates Apollo Space Program

ARI, the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani, and their club station IQ1TW announced a special operating award "Apollo Space Program - From the Earth to the Moon" for contacts between July 1 - July 31, 2012. This is to commemorate and keep alive the memory of the space program which has revolutionized the life of mankind.

To qualify for the award you need to have confirmed contacts with the ARI Headquarters Station IQ1TW and any three stations from this list: IZ1UMD, IZ1RFU, IZ1XBB, IZ1WVX, IZ1LBH, IK1WGZ, IZ1RGY, IZ2SMV, I1MXI.

On July 20, the anniversary of the first moon landing, a confirmed contact with IQ1TW (without the necessity of the other 3 contacts) will qualify you for the award.

The special event stations will operate with 200 watts using dipole and vertical antennas.

Full details, including a list of the planned HF operating frequencies and modes, log and confirmation information, rules, and application instructions are posted on the ARI web pages.

[ANS thanks Associazione Radioamatori Italiani and the DXNL Bulletin #1786 -Jun 27, 2012 - for the above information]

Listen for ARRL TI-2: Space in the Classroom Satellite Contacts

The ARRL Teachers Institute - Space in the Classroom is this coming week - July 9-12. The Institute will meet in Dayton, Ohio and is sponsored by the Dayton Amateur Radio Association. Additional support from ARRL ETP donors and Yaesu make this program possible.

The TI-2 Space curriculum focuses on the nuts and bolts of setting up and operating a satellite ground station. This serves as excellent preparation for a scheduled contact with the ISS through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) program. But it also provides instruction for continued use of satellites and other man made space assets

to explore naturally generated signals, space and a variety of topics.

The course is 4 days: the first half will be setting up and learning to operate the ground station, the second half will be practice making satellite contacts and instruction in using space borne assets in the classroom. Participants will receive all the equipment necessary to set up a basic satellite ground station.

Matt Severin, N8MS will be instructing the Teachers' Institute. He will have 8 teachers learning how to set up and operate ground stations. They plan to operate from about 1200 to 2000 UTC each day, give or take a few hours. Our primary amateur radio satellites will be AO27, SO50, FO29, and VO52. They will try to capture data and telemetry from the many cubesats currently operating. Amateur satellite operators are invited to take a moment to say hello and work a few of the teachers in Matt's group.

Full details of the ARRL TI-2: Space in the Classroom program can be found on the ARRL Web.

[ANS thanks the ARRL and Matt Severin, N8MS for the above information]

University of Florida SwampSat CubeSat Plans for December 2012 Launch

A cubesat called SwampSat, built by students at the University of Florida, was recently unveiled. They also demonstrated the operational satellite to Florida's Lieutenant Governor.

SwapSat is planning on a ride to orbit on the SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket into a 450 km orbit with an inclination of 45 degrees in the December 2012 timeframe.

The SwampSat downlink will transmit 1 watt of RF on 437.385 MHz, 1200 bps AX25 packet radio. The University of Florida posted a video of SwampSat on YouTube.

For more information see also:

http://www.amsat-uk.org/?p=8717

http://www.amsat-uk.org/?p=8464

UF shows off its small satellite:

http://www.gainesville.com/article/2...cles/120409715

Gator Amateur Radio Club - http://www.gatorradio.org/

University of Florida Small Satellite Design Club (SSDC) - http://www.ufsmallsat.com/

[ANS thanks the University of Florida and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Satellite Presentation at University of Missouri on July 20

Attention amateur radio operators near Kansas City, Missouri!

On July 20, the Hams in Space Team will be giving their Satellite Presentation at the University of Missouri, Kansas City's Communiversity. Communiversity is the University's Community Education Program available to anyone from the community who wishes to attend.

Randy Schulze, KDØHKD wrote, "We're preparing this presentation to be enjoyed not only by Licensed Hams but also to members of the general community as a means of putting Amateur Radio's best foot forward, through information about at least one of the fun and amazing things that can be done with Ham Radio! If you plan to attend this presentation, please register early. If the anticipated attendance exceeds the capacity of the presently scheduled class room, the University may be able to make arrangements to move the presentation to a larger class room."

You will find all of the registration information on the University of Missouri Kansas City Communiversity Web Site.

Randy concluded, "So spread the word to your friends; Hams and Non-Hams alike! Register to attend the Hams In Space Presentation at the University of Missouri, Kansas City, Communiversity, and help put Amateur Radio's Best Foot Forward while at the same time supporting an Outstanding Community Service!"

The class schedule is:

7:00 PM, Friday, July 20, 2012

Communiversity; University of Missouri, Kansas City

Flarsheim Hall, Room 260,

5110 Rockhill Road

Kansas City, Missouri

http://www.umkc.edu/commu/

The Hams in Space web page can be found at: http://hamsinspace.com

[ANS thanks Randy Schulze, KDØHKD for the above information]

Near Space Balloon Flight Ham AK4JG Named Newsline Young Ham of the Year

ERIN KING, AK4JG, NAMED 2012 AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE□ "YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR"

(Santa Clarita, California) - Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who re-founded her high school's radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying balloon to over 90,000 feet, recovered the flight data and used it to produce a truly striking video of that flight, has been named as recipient of the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award.

Erin is the daughter of Paul, K4ETY, and Patricia King. She has two siblings: Brandon, age 16 and Rachel, age 15. Erin became a licensed radio amateur in 2009 and now holds an Extra Class license. She is a member of the ARRL, the Columbus Amateur Radio Club, and the Russell County Radio

Club. She enjoys operating on local VHF and UHF

repeaters as well as phone and digital modes on the High Frequency amateur radio bands. She is looking forward to mastering Morse Code as her next amateur radio challenge.

Erin became interested in amateur radio after joining a club at her high school dealing with robotics and then ham radio-equipped high-altitude balloon launches. This school group has participated in FIRST Robotics competitions, and Erin has twice been Team Lead for Programming. The club also launches several high-altitude balloon missions each year, in a program called DREAMS. They have flown various scientific experiments as part of these missions, in addition to planning, building, and integrating radios, Global Positioning System (GPS) units and TNCs to track and recover the balloons. To facilitate these activities, the group's sponsor, Luther Richardson, KI4AOJ, has encouraged the students to obtain their amateur radio licenses.

A subset of this group, including Erin, has participated in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's (MIT's) "InvenTeam" competition, designing and building a portable lightning detector and early warning system. In addition, Erin re-started the Columbus High School Radio Club and served as its president for the past two years. The club was active in the 1950s and '60s, and Erin's great-grandfather (the original K4ETY) was one of its mentors at that time. The new club obtained the callsign W4CHS (Columbus High School) and has been active on the air.

Erin's involvement with amateur radio and FIRST Robotics has helped fuel her interest in science and engineering. Last year, she applied for early admission to both Georgia Tech and MIT; she was accepted to both and will be attending MIT this fall.

Inside the shiny tube which contained Erin's MIT acceptance letter was a note suggesting that the students "hack" their tubes, meaning to do something cool with them, in a long-standing tradition of MIT hacks or stunts. Erin chose to send her tube to near-space.

Drawing on her ballooning experience, Erin planned, built, integrated, and tested a complete new tracking setup to fit into the very small shipping tube. The payload consisted of two GPS units, two custom-made antennas, one Argent Data OpenTracker+ kit (which Erin built), one handheld radio, and a fellow ham's Byonics Pocket Tracker, a self-contained 100-milliwatt tracker/radio combination in an Altoids® tin. Erin also talked her mother into letting her use mom's brand new GoPro Hero HD video camera.

With the assistance of a group of hams from the Columbus Amateur Radio club, Erin launched her balloon from Lumpkin, GA. A couple of hours later, she and the tracking team successfully recovered it, along with the complete HD video record of the flight. Erin took this video, as well as other photos and videos taken of the launch activities, and compiled it into an 8-minute presentation, complete with background music. She posted it to YouTube, and put a link to it on the MIT hack-the-tube site.

According to YouTube statistics, Erin's video has been viewed thus far in excess of 82,500 times.

This past May, Erin was invited to participate in no less than three forums and sessions at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention. These included the 25th anniversary "Youth Forum," the "Ham Radio Town Meeting" and an "ARRL Expo" presentation where her video was screened.

AWARD CEREMONY

The 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline□ "Young Ham of the Year Award" will be presented on Saturday, August 18th at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama. As the 2012 "Young Ham of the Year," Erin will receive -- courtesy of Yaesu USA -- an expense-paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest, along with a gift of Yaesu brand ham radio equipment. CQ magazine will treat her to an expense-paid week at Spacecamp Huntsville, and will present Erin with a variety of CQ products. Amateur Radio Newsline□ will provide Erin with a commemorative plaque at the award ceremony. Once again, the cost of year's plaque has been underwritten by Dave Bell (W6AQ), President of DBA Entertainment Inc.,

Hollywood, California. Heil Sound Ltd. will also be presenting Erin with a ham radio-related gift.

[ANS thanks Amateur Radio Newsline for the above information]

ARISS Status - 2 July 2012

1. Virginia Contact to be Rescheduled

The ARISS contact that was scheduled with the Virginia Air and Space Center in Hampton, Virginia on Tuesday, June 26 was not successful due to ground station issues. ARISS will try to re-schedule this event for the week of July 23.

2. ARISS Contact Featured at STEM Conference

On Thursday, June 28, an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between Expedition 30/31 crewmember André Kuipers and students attending the STEM Solutions Youth Summit which was part of the U.S. News STEM Solutions 2012 conference in Dallas, Texas. Telebridge station K6DUE in Maryland provided the radio hookup. The contact, a highlight of the event, provided youth the opportunity to ask Kuipers about life and work in space. Leland Melvin, Associate Administrator for Education, and Charlie Bolden, NASA Administrator, attended the conference.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at
one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled
in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a
maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the
AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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New Executive Order Issued... What will it mean for Ham Radio?

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 05:32 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353129-New-Executive-Order-Issued-What-will-it-mean-for-Ham-Radio&goto=newpost

I haven't read it slowly enough to digest it. I wonder what it will mean
for Amateur Radio? Read for yourself:

http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-...-preparedness-

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Webinar - Update on Cycle 24 And More

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 03:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353121-Webinar-Update-on-Cycle-24-And-More&goto=newpost

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, in an August 2009 PVRC Webinar discussed the
solar minimum between Cycle 23 and 24, and the early status of Cycle 24.
His July 2012 Webinar will review our recent solar minimum, review Cycle
24's present status, and discuss propagation in relation to the progress of
Cycle 24. Two other topics to be discussed will be the effect of trees on
HF and MF propagation, and the best height for your antenna.

The presentation will be held on two dates.

Date: Wednesday, July 18

Time: 9 PM EDT (Thursday, July 19 - 01:00 UTC)

Registration (free): https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/606121362

Date: Saturday, July 21

Time: 19:00 UTC (3 PM EDT)

Registration (free): https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/699956578

Ken K4ZW

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RFinder - The Worldwide Repeater Directory (WWRD) now supports AvMap G5/G6 APRS

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 08:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352968-RFinder-The-Worldwide-Repeater-Directory-(WWRD)-now-supports-AvMap-G5-G6-APRS&goto=newpost

Press Release

07/06/2012

From the QTH of W2CYK

For immediate release

RFinder - The Worldwide Repeater Directory (WWRD) now has a new user interface! AvMap G5/G6 APRS, the GPS for Amateur Radio Operators.

We are pleased to announce that RFinder support AvMap Points of Interest. This means you can pre-populate your GPS device with repeater data on your route, and see machines on the map or in a listing with connection details such as frequency, shift, PL, etc. Just go to http://web.rfinder.net, put in your location and radius. Choose AVMap and click export. Then import the resulting file into AvMap GeoSat software on Windows or Mac and write it to your device.

The WWRD Supporting AvMap is just another step of making The World Wide Repeater Directory, it's third party applications such as RT Systems and CHIRP and of course the RFinder family of programs on iPhone, Android and www, Ham Radio's one-stop-shop for repeater data, no matter what the technology used for repeating radio signals. No matter what computing device you use to look up repeater data anywhere on earth. AvMap APRS GPS was the next logical place for The World Wide Repeater Directory to be.

RFinder is available in the Apple App Store for iPhone and Android, the web version can be found at http://www.rfinder.net.

RT Systems radio programming software for Window is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://www.rtsystemsinc.com

CHIRP is open source software and is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://chirp.danplanet.com

AvMap information can be found at http://www.avmap.us/products/terr/geosat_6_aprs-664/introduction

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Screen Shot 2012-07-06 at 10.58.44 PM.png
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Screen Shot 2012-07-06 at 11.03.55 PM.png
(157.4 KB)

1211. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 9 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 16:30:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c93356b6804c46820f4@google.com>
Source record: 2578
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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H44UD New Georgia Island

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 10:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353259-H44UD-New-Georgia-Island&goto=newpost

UT6UD will be active from New Georgia Island (IOTA OC-149) , Solomon
Islands 10-17 July 2012 as H44UD

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...lomon-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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Pt8ib -activity in the forest

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 06:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353228-Pt8ib-activity-in-the-forest&goto=newpost

Next 11-12 july PT8IB my friend André will be active on 20m band

working specially phone mode and he makes transmission around

14,150 khz. For this event it will make a special QSL Card.

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13 colonies results

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 02:27 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353205-13-colonies-results&goto=newpost

K2L-K4DMR Doug SC 100 watts low power ssb total 1850 contacts.

thanks to all, I had a blast even though i had limited operation time. got
to love working my job from 1900-0700 during prime times of radio work. 73
to all

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Mystery Pileup

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 11:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353179-Mystery-Pileup&goto=newpost

Anybody know what the monster 17 meter fone pile-up was yesterday? I
listened for hours and never found the guy.

Eric

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W2S Town of Lake Pleasant, Hamilton Co. Adirondacks through July 15

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 11:02 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353176-W2S-Town-of-Lake-Pleasant-Hamilton-Co-Adirondacks-through-July-15&goto=newpost

Members of the Speculator Amateur Radio Club are operating special event station W2S celebrating the bicentennial of the Town of Lake Pleasant through 15.

Lake Pleasant is in Hamilton County, NY - a rare one for you county hunters.

Operation will take place from various locations. Some may be QRP from remote spots including SOTA summits including Pillsbury Mountain W2/GA-027 and Fish Mountain W2/GA-316.

Sunday July 8 starting about 2PM, W2S will be on the air SSB QRP from the Speculator pavilion.

W2S frequencies 3.955, 7.261 (7.185 during broadcast qrm), 14.290 SSB; 7.031, 14.031 CW.

Other bands/frequencies may be tried if conditions warrant. During QRP ops we may also call on standard QRP frequencies if no action on above frequencies.

See club web site sparcham.org for QSL info and other details. Scheduled future operations will be posted if possible.

-KC2WI

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Special Thanks to "13 Colonies" Sponsors And Operators

Posted: 07 Jul 2012 08:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353099-Special-Thanks-to-quot-13-Colonies-quot-Sponsors-And-Operators&goto=newpost

Greetings All,

I'd like to express a special thanks to Mr Ken Villone, KU2US, and all of the event operators associated with the "13 Colonies" Special Event.

When the weather threw a wrench into the middle of the event, many of our Amateur bretheren were put off-the-air. (I was not one of them, luckily, but I've 'been there') The bad weather, loss of power, etc, meant that many operators who might want to participate in this fun activity were going to lose that opportunity through no fault of their own.

But the 13 Colonies folks stepped up and, with no obligation to do so, extended the activity through the 7th of July (0400Z 08 July) to give everyone a chance to work them. THAT is sportsmanship and makes Amateur Radio the kind of environment that I like being associated with.

Kudos to all of the 13 Colonies crew! Thank-you for sacrificing your time and less-than-ideal propagation to make Amateur Radio more fun for the rest of us!

73

Steve, K4YZ

1212. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 8th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 17:30:42 UTC
From: huLLy <no@way.com>
Message-ID: <acKdnbvtx4XfiGbSnZ2dnUVZ7rydnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 2579
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 09/07/2012 13:06, gareth wrote:
> <Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk> wrote in message
> news:20120709120004.9198233C93@panix2.panix.com...
>> GB2RS NEWS
>> Sunday 8th July 2012
>> ... You can make comments by joining in two Litmus Tests to be
>> conducted via the website, by e-mail ... or ...
>> by post to RSGB HQ.
>
> Litmus? Isn't that something to do with either red faces on the part
> of the Politburo, or the rank-and-file membership being left feeling blue?
>
> Or, unless I misheard, something about ass-id?
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http://www.gazetteandherald.co.uk/news/9317744.Porn_slur_leads_to_dock/

1213. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 8th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 17:31:08 UTC
From: huLLy <no@way.com>
Message-ID: <acKdnbXtx4XBiGbSnZ2dnUVZ7rydnZ2d@giganews.com>
Source record: 2580
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 09/07/2012 14:39, gareth wrote:
> <Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk> wrote in message
> news:20120709120004.9198233C93@panix2.panix.com...
>> On 7 July, the Society published two very important consultative
>> documents. These are on the RSGB website and in the August Edition of
>> RadCom. They contain proposals for a 3-year strategy for the society,
>> together with new governance arrangements. All members are encouraged
>> to participate during the consultation period that runs until 20
>> August. You can make comments by joining in two Litmus Tests to be
>> conducted via the website, by e-mail ... or ...
>> by post to RSGB HQ.
>
> This raises another query. Why bother in the first place with all that
> technogimmickry hoo-hah?
>
> Why not save a great deal of time and effort, and proceed directly
> to the Club Nite Survey, in order to do what you wanted to do in the
> first place?
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http://www.gazetteandherald.co.uk/news/9317744.Porn_slur_leads_to_dock/

1214. eHam.net News for Monday 9 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-09 22:04:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043f24506404c46ccd88@google.com>
Source record: 2581
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Enthusiast Enjoys Waves of Popularity for Stricken Yacht Video:

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 05:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28602

A North Lincolnshire amateur radio enthusiast who was surfing the air waves to Australia ended up helping a stricken sailor and his yacht which had been battered by waves of a different kind following a big storm in the Atlantic. David Ogg, of Winteringham, was connected up to a fellow enthusiast in Melbourne, Australia when he then heard a "break station" alert off the coast of Spain, where a vessel had lost its mast and sails. Fortunately, assistance came through amateur radio. And David, who is chairman of the Brigg and District Amateur Radio Society, recorded how things unfolded in a half-hour video. He told the Radio Society of Great Britain: "It just goes to show in these modern times, when all else fails, there is amateur radio."

1215. HOT PEOPLE HOT AND SEXY VIDEOS FOR U SEE AND ENJOY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-10 01:38:10 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <ccdc281c-d301-4c50-91e8-b7ea74c9528a@oo8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2582

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1216. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 9 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-10 02:35:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234ce742ffe604c4709650@google.com>
Source record: 2583
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio club granted 2012 Olympic licence - This Is Cheshire

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 05:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEt1qs7ANXc8zwA799yU22XkXlDaA&url=http://www.thisischeshire.co.uk/news/9803768.Radio_club_granted_2012_Olympic_licence/

Radio club granted 2012 Olympic licence
This Is Cheshire
WARRINGTON Amateur Radio Club (WARC) have been granted a licence to cover both the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic games.

and more

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QEX: The July/August 2012 Issue - ARRL

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 07:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHAYBLcRGqFBOFEM0gV1BdJ9XFRyg&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/em-qex-em-the-july-august-2012-issue

ARRL
QEX: The July/August 2012 Issue
ARRL
The mission of QEX is threefold: To provide a medium for the exchange of ideas and information among Amateur Radio experimenters; to document advanced technical work in the Amateur Radio field, and to support efforts to advance the state of the Amateur ...

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Erin King AK4JG Named 2012 YHOTY: - eHam.net

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 06:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFIgcrW5yVXjYsjBqL6ihXEyMgZUw&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28579

Erin King AK4JG Named 2012 YHOTY:
eHam.net
eHam.net Article: Erin King AK4JG Named 2012 YHOTY: - (Santa Clarita, California) – Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who re-founded her high schools radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying balloon to over 90000 feet ...

and more

1217. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 10 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-10 11:11:40 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <047d7b15fb7917c03004c477cb84@google.com>
Source record: 2584
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AO, AM, AN: Spain celebrates Euro2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/78jK8Vsn6gc/spain_celebrates_euro2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

You will see these prefixes on the bands until July 31st, because today,
and at the request of EA Digital Federation, the Spanish PTT has finally
authorized all radio amateurs in Spain to use them

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Upcoming ARISS contact with ESA Space Camp, Dublin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CsUayPh8PIE/ariss_event_2207.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ESA Space Camp, which will be held at St. Columba’s College, Whitechurch,
Dublin, Ireland, has been scheduled for an Amateur Radio on the
International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Sunday, July 22

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North Korea 'CW Only' and IOTA AS-197 Project update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5YrsYVyGHqQ/north_korea_project_1007.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rick, K6VVA has released this update which, he says, should address some of
the assumptions, speculations and inaccurate guessing he's seen posted

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Telstar 50th Anniversary Live Webcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R71dgmBgKfw/telstar_50th_anniversary_live_webcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Thursday, July 11 between 1:30 and 4pm EST (1730-2000 UT) there will be
a live webcast to commemorate the 50 anniversary of Telstar

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Ham Radio Podcast Episode 2

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nudhMcJHXd4/ham_radio_podcast_episode_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/ham_radio_podcast_episode_2.htm

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Interview with PH9HB/AM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CmzVg53PyX8/interview_with_ph9hb.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DXCoffee interviewed captain Jerry van der Goot, one of the pilots active as /AM during his flights

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Space Shuttle Grand Finale 2010-11

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P6-3rCY6jgM/space_shuttle_grand_finale_2010_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

McLean Fahnestock has produced a High Definition video work showing all 135 space shuttle launches

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Book now for the RTA in Durban

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7Nj_wa3n0hQ/durban_rta.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Full details of the SARL Radio Technology in Action symposium to be held in Durban on 21 July are now available on line

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Solar and Wind Power operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/I6us8j9Ea-o/solar_and_wind_power_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Olivier EI8GQB (who is also ON4EI) plans to operate for most of July from a caravan, using 'green energy' – solar and wind power

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Rocket Science - Helen Sharman interview

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nrXpuuuRK_o/rocket_science_helen_sharman_interview.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Helen Sharman GB1MIR was the United Kingdom's first astronaut. On May 18, 1991, she flew to the Mir Space Station on board Soyuz-TM12, aged 27

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St. Paul Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/asmtokMv-T4/st_paul_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Very soon it's time for an international team of 10 amateur radio operators
to board their flights to Nova Scotia, Canada, to participate in the
expedition to St. Paul Island, a top-40 'most wanted' DXCC

1218. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 10 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-10 16:36:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411b5695cfa04c47c54a3@google.com>
Source record: 2585
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VK9/OH1VR VK9/OH3JR Lord Howe Island

Posted: 10 Jul 2012 05:53 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353415-VK9-OH1VR-VK9-OH3JR-Lord-Howe-Island&goto=newpost

OH1VR and OH3JR will be active from Lord Howe Island 17-27 November 2012 as VK9/OH1VR and VK9/OH3JR

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...d-howe-island/

73 Al 4L5A

1219. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 10 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-10 16:52:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf300e4f6790502e04c47c8dcf@google.com>
Source record: 2586
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Telstar 50th Anniversary Special Event July 10th only

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 01:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353333-Telstar-50th-Anniversary-Special-Event-July-10th-only&goto=newpost

On Tuesday July 10th from 11am ~ 5pm, the AT&T Middletown club will setup a special event station.

We will be operating with call-sign "W2NFA" from the site where the remnant background microwave

radiation from the ☐Big Bang☐ was first detected.

This location was also the receive site for the first Television broadcast via satellite test.

http://www.tvhistory.btinternet.co.uk/html/telstar.html

When: Tuesday July 10th, 2012

Where: Crawford Hill - Holmdel NJ

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Be...rd_Hill_NJ.jpg

Time : 11:00am ~ 17:00pm EDT

Bands : 15, 20 and 40 meters.

SSB: 7.275 MHz, 14.275 MHz, 21.325 MHz

CW: 7.040 MHz, 14.040 MHz, 21.040 MHz

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKH-GijnAGk

A special anniversary certificate will be emailed back to all contacts.

QSL to:

AT&T

C/O Steve Wolkovitz ☐ W2DAD

AT&T Amateur Radio Club President

stevenw@att.com

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Amatuer Radio featured in Kids TV Show

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 10:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353318-Amatuer-Radio-featured-in-Kids-TV-Show&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio was featured on Colby's Corner TV Show this week. Colby is a 9 year old who visits locations in South Carolina, learing about different things, from Jobs, Sports & Hobbies. We set up a temporary station and got Colby on the air and filmed it for his TV show...

See the video - http://youtu.be/8JKkPoV7bbw

and see more info Colby's show at http://www.colbyscornertv.com/

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Going /AM: An Interview With PH9HB

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 12:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353261-Going-AM-An-Interview-With-PH9HB&goto=newpost

Hi folks,

just wanted to let you know about my last piece for DXCoffee.com, which I hope will reveal as interesting as it's been writing it!

It's about Jerry van der Goot, an airline captain who operates /AM during some of his flights. You probably have noticed PH9HB/AM on the cluster.

Here is the interview with him in English:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/07/...r-radio-cloud/

And here in Italian:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/ita/2012/07/...ano-dal-cielo/

Thanks a lot for your attention and vy 73,

Chris

1220. eHam.net News for Tuesday 10 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-10 22:11:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfc37ce7a04c48101c3@google.com>
Source record: 2587
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Club Granted 2012 Olympic License:

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28605

WARRINGTON Amateur Radio Club (WARC) have been granted a licence to cover both the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic games. In a collaborative effort with West Manchester Radio Club and South Manchester Radio and Computing Club, WARC have been granted the special call sign GB2012MV (Manchester Venue) for the event at Old Trafford, home of Manchester United, one of the venues for the Olympic football tournament. A spokesman for WARC said: "This is going to be a massive effort by a dedicated group of north west amateur radio enthusiasts, operating from three venues across the region, Warrington and two in Manchester. "Following the popularity of GX4WAB Olympic torch call sign, we can see this being a fantastic event and look forward to adding many thousands of contacts in the UK and around the world to the station log." The decision by Ofcom means that GB2012MV will be one of only four nationwide to be permitted to broadcast.

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Sun Storms: Solar Activity at Fiery High:

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28604

(CBS News) This has already been a summer of record heat in the continental United States. But our sun is not content with just breaking records in the first week of July. It has also been an intense period of solar flares - massive, violent outbursts from the sun that can wreck havoc here on Earth. And it shows no signs of stopping. Even on the surface of the sun, things are heating up. Last week saw several huge solar flares, the biggest of which occurred on Friday, July 6. Labeled an X1.1 class solar flare - the strongest classification used by the U.S. Space Weather Prediction Center - the sun storm caused radio blackouts here on Earth as particles ejected from the sun crashed into our planet's atmosphere. It was the fifth X-class solar flare of 2012. Earlier in the week, several other powerful solar flares erupted from the sun. Most of them appear to be coming from the same area of our star: a giant sunspot called AR1515. Technically a group of sunspots, AR1515 is an enormous plain of volatile activity. NASA estimates AR1515 stretches across 118,681 miles, making it longer than fifteen Earths put together.

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Ham Radio Makes it onto Kids TV Show:

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28603

Kids TV Show airs Ham Radio Segment, introducing kids to Amateur Radio.

1221. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 10 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-11 02:17:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf300e4f67dd8ce604c48473d5@google.com>
Source record: 2588
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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'Hams' love frequency: Amateur-radio enthusiast enjoy field day, unique hobby - Gulf Coast News Today

Posted: 10 Jul 2012 12:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGG9cjzoBXdAjXRkhmba-s1T8lmlQ&url=http://www.gulfcoastnewstoday.com/people/features/article_9ed24df2-cac3-11e1-b1e6-0019bb2963f4.html

Hams love frequency: Amateur-radio enthusiast enjoy field day, unique hobby
Gulf Coast News Today
Some curl up with books, or enjoy latest movies; some take voice and instrument lessons and lift up beautiful notes for audiences to enjoy. But “hams,” or amateur radio enthusiasts, enjoy an exact and useful hobby as they communicate through frequencies.

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Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny Doon - San Jose Mercury News

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGBIyhqZ0iGIiP-fTwFaB4jUMM3rA&url=http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_20925126/radio-heads-have-field-day-competing-airwaves-bonny

Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny Doon
San Jose Mercury News
"In a disaster, it really comes into play." Amateur radio, also called ham radio, is the use of designated radio frequency spectrum for private recreation or emergency communication. Business use is banned. Charcho said amateur radio has played an ...

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Ham radio operators hit the airwaves in Mamaroneck - The Journal News | LoHud.com

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Ham radio operators hit the airwaves in Mamaroneck
The Journal News | LoHud.com
Norm Krajkowski of North White Plains, right, along with Shaji Kuriakose of Congers, attempt to make contact with other ham radio operators during a 24-hour mock disaster exercise at Harbor Island Park in Mamaroneck. Ham radio operators across the ...
Ham Radio Users Gather For Contest In MamaroneckThe Daily Voice

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1222. The ARES E-Letter for July 11, 2012

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From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
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"GARY HEDDEN - W8JFP

EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

WILLIAMSON COUNTY TN ARES"

Way to go, guys! Hope everyone had a good Field Day. - K1CE

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==> ARRL TO HOST WEBINAR ON AMATEUR RADIO RESPONSE TO 2012 HURRICANE
SEASON: JULY 17

The ARRL will host a webinar
<https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/249211478> from 8-9:30 PM EDT
Tuesday, July 17 (0000-0130 UTC Wednesday, July 18) to present
information about the 2012 hurricane season and the Amateur Radio
response. The program will offer presentations from representatives
from the National Hurricane Center (NHC <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>) and
WX4NHC <http://www.wx4nhc.org/> (the Amateur Radio station at the NHC),
the VoIP Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/>, the Hurricane Watch
Net (HWN <http://www.hwn.org/>) and the ARRL. Webinar registration is
open to all, but this informative web session will be of particular
interest to those amateurs in hurricane-prone areas. If you are
interested in emergency communications and hurricane preparedness and
response, you are invited to attend this online presentation.

The following items will be included in the webinar:

- Opening remarks and introduction of presenters.
- Meteorological Overview of the Upcoming Season, presented by VoIP
Hurricane Net Director of Operations and ARRL Eastern Massachusetts
Section Emergency Coordinator Rob Macedo, KD1CY.
- Amateur Radio WX4NHC at the National Hurricane Center: Who We Are and
What We Do and How to Contact WX4NHC and Submit Surface Reports During
a Hurricane, presented by WX4NHC Assistant Coordinator Julio Ripoll,
WD4R
- WX4NHC Weather Initiatives: APRS, ON-NHC, CARMEN and CWOP Programs
and Equipment, presented by WX4NHC Coordinator John McHugh, K4AG
- ARRL Coordination and Interface, presented by ARRL Emergency
Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U
- VoIP Hurricane Net, presented by Rob Macedo, KD1CY
- Hurricane Watch Net, presented by Hurricane Watch Net Assistant Net
Manager Tom Gerard, KB3ONZ
- Q&A Session and Closing Remarks

To register for this webinar, please click here
<https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/472855454>.

==> TROPICAL STORM DEBBY SPAWNS SEVERE WEATHER AND SKYWARN RESPONSE

On Sunday, June 24, 2012 Tropical Storm Debby spawned severe weather in
Pinellas County, Florida, particularly in the Pass a Grille area of St.
Petersburg. The Pinellas County SKYWARN net was activated around 10:35
AM with the issuance of a Severe Thunderstorm Warning. The net remained
active at several different alert levels for just over 11 hours, until
9:45 PM that evening. In all, 27 Amateur Radio operators checked in to
the net and the four operators who rotated duties as the net control.

The most significant event occurred in the evening, when one of 10
tornadoes spawned by Debby touched down in southern Pinellas. At about
8:14 PM, a Tornado Warning was issued for Pinellas County as radar
indicated a tornado near Ft. Desoto Park, moving north. The Net was
immediately moved from standby to code red. For Pinellas county, code
red means severe weather is imminent. At 8:23 PM, Jack Satterfield,
W4GRJ, reported multiple transformers blowing in the Pass a Grille area

and advised that his son's house located just south of his location had a window blown out. This report was relayed to the NWS within 1-2 minutes. The NWS put this report in a Severe Weather Statement released shortly afterward. W4GRJ made follow up reports of roofs torn off of a couple of buildings and power lines down in Pass a Grille, all of which were relayed to NWS.

Post storm surveys by the NWS indicated an EF-1 tornado with winds of 80-85 mph had touched down in Pass a Grille at 8:21 PM and lifted at 8:25 PM. The tornado had a path length of 3.3 miles and a width of 50 yards. The tornado actually started as a waterspout that then moved onshore. Damage included a tourist rental building that had the top unit removed/destroyed; fortunately no one was in this top unit.

When asked about the way the reports were passed on to the National Weather Service, Justin McBride, KJ4REU, Pinellas SKYWARN Coordinator replied, "Our net maintained contact with the National Weather Service throughout the event using the NWS online chat system, which allows us to interact directly with the forecasters in real time and quickly relay reports received from our spotters." Justin added, "This event highlighted the unique ability of SKYWARN Amateur Radio operators to get reports to the NWS well ahead of other sources. The reports of the tornado damage in southern Pinellas from the spotter located in Pass a Grille were relayed to the NWS approximately 10 minutes before 911 and the media received and/or relayed the information." Asked to summarize the performance of the SKYWARN spotters, McBride said, "Our SKYWARN activation for Tropical Storm Debby underscored the value of training, organization, and frequent practice in our program, which allowed us to respond effectively to the situation. Although ultimately the damage and injuries associated with this storm system were only minor to moderate, the event gave us additional experience, which will better prepare us for future, more severe events." - source: Kevin Poorman, KV4CT <kevin.poorman@verizon.net>, West Central Florida Public Information Coordinator

==> COLORADO WILDFIRES RESPONSE

Thanks to an extremely dry season, portions of Colorado have been ravaged by wildfires. As of July 5, only a handful of the fires are considered extinguished or fully contained, with the majority considered still active. According to InciWeb <http://www.inciweb.org/state/6/>, almost 170,000 acres are affected by 11 active fires. Since June 9 -- when the High Park Fire <http://www.inciweb.org/incident/2904/>, the first of the wildfires began -- hams in Colorado have been assisting with disaster communications, providing communications support to the State and served agencies. Complete report here <http://www.arrl.org/news/colorado-hams-provide-disaster-communications-during-wildfires>. -- ARRL Letter, ARRL Web SIte

==> MINNESOTA FLOOD 0F 2012 - HAMS RESPOND

Northeast and north central Minnesota recently suffered one of its worst rain fall events in many years. As much as 10 inches of rain inundated this part of the state, and its effects will be felt for many years as recovery takes place.

A powerful low pressure area moved into the region from the Pacific Northwest on the heels of previous systems that had saturated the ground in the Upper Midwest. Along with another moisture laden front from the south, the stage for flooding was set. The National Weather Service had been warning of the potential for flash flooding in the days preceding the arrival of the system, and with the ground saturated, the potential became a reality as the area of low pressure moved slowly across the region on June 19 and 20. Torrential rainfall from severe thunderstorms that trained along the front caused havoc as many communities and counties were affected. Homes and businesses were flooded, and roads and bridges were either dangerously compromised or washed out by rushing flood waters.

Lake County Emergency Coordinator Jeff Nast, KC0MKS, reported that Northland SKYWARN was activated from 1800Z on June 19 until 0145Z on the next day. Lake County RACES/ARES was also activated on June 20 to provide emergency communications for a fiber cable failure at the Knife River expressway bridge.

Cook County officials requested disaster response communications for the hospital in Grand Marais. All communications were severed during the storm, and the hospital was without contact with the hospitals in Duluth. Pat Scully, N0WSI, made the request and a communications response resulted. "We were without phone, cell, Internet, and 911 service for approximately 12 hours," reported Jayne Fingerman-Johnson, N0UYQ, of the Cook County ARES Response Team (CCART). "We set up our Amateur Radio station at the Cook County Northshore Hospital to provide communications to the outside world."

Garry Hooghkirk, KD0DHB, Bob Schulz, KC0NFB, and Tom Kurtovich, KB0LSS, responded to the St. Louis County EOC in Pike Lake. Gary Hanson, KD0CVO, Dave Leslie, KC9MKJ, and Doug Nelson, AA0AW, activated the Douglas County, Wisconsin EOC to coordinate communications to Grand Marais as well as for net controls for a Duluth/Superior net to record road closure information to help travelers trying to get through the area. "We had people running net control from the Douglas County EOC, and St. Louis EOC was also manned," Nast reported. "We also had a presence at the NWS during the net." [See more info, links here <http://www.n0lcr.org/>.]

Nast activated the EOC in Two Harbors for Lake County. Bob Hoyt, KC0EIM and Grant Forsyth, KC0WUP went up to the radio desk at the National Weather Service office in Duluth to become real time providers of any weather information needed. Garry Hawkinson, W0ELH, set up and monitored 7.250 MHz SSB as a back up.

Bill Fleischman, KC0ZZL, located phone numbers for Life Flight to establish hard wire communications with them if needed. Ham

communicators handled closure information and a doctor replacement issue. Dave Miller, W0NWO, was instrumental in coordinating many facets of the response. Several local amateur operators went mobile and called in damaged areas to the net.

A call for help came in from MPR (Minnesota Public Radio): One of their reporters had a relative living up the shore in Two Harbors, and hams were able to give her information so that her Dad's medical supply service could get supplies to him.

Regular communication services were restored to the Northshore communities and the amateur response was no longer required. Thanks to the active participation by many local ARES members, a ready and capable multifaceted response resulted. Thanks to all operators who took time from their own issues to make Amateur Radio work in this time of need. While the severity and widespread magnitude of the flooding exceeded expectations, the hams were still able to meet the challenge. Once again, Amateur Radio proved itself as being the one reliable means of communication in a real emergency when all else fails. -- KD0CI's Radio Newsletter, July 2012 issue; by Doug Nelson AA0AW, with contributions by Jayne Fingerman-Johnson N0UYQ, Kenny Broshofske KD0CI, and Jeff Nast, KC0MKS

==> LETTERS: ON UPGRADING

Thanks for the excellent commentary in the June ARES E-Letter about license upgrading. In recent years, I have seen a large number of new hams join the hobby specifically so they could become involved in disaster response work. They have become a valuable community asset, yet have limited themselves to the VHF/UHF frequencies in the false belief that only VHF/UHF frequencies are necessary in an emergency.

Mike's article presents very convincing reasoning as to the need for these individuals to extend their capabilities by upgrading. Well Done! -- Dale Williams, WA8EFK, Vice Director, ARRL Great Lakes Division

==> TIPS: DIY EQUIPMENT LABELING

Here is an interesting DIY project for labeling your equipment <http://blog.makezine.com/2012/02/18/make-projects-soda-can-label-embossing/> with tape. This tape should be fairly permanent if you use pop rivets to fasten it to something. Seems like it would make a good equipment ID for when you have to take expensive stuff into the field (emergency exercises, Field Day, or actual emergencies). And several locals swear by E-6000 glue as an alternative for application of the labels. --Rick Herndon, K5FNI, Mathis, Texas; Life Member, ARRL; Official Emergency Station

==> LETTERS: US VIRGIN ISLANDS SECTION WORKS WITH EMA/EOC

Thanks for the nice tribute to NP2B in the last ARES E-Letter. lt will be an honor to continue John's fine legacy. [Fred Kleber, K9VV/NP2X is the new US Virgin Islands Section Manager, taking the reins from

longtime SM John Ellis, NP2B, who stepped down recently after exemplary service to the section -- ed.]

John and I have been working with VITEMA, the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency for a little over a year. We have built up their St. Croix EOC comms center from scratch. While the agency had most of the equipment, they needed assistance to assemble it and operate it. We were able to obtain leftover hardware and assistance from FEMA to assemble a fully-functional emcomm center.

We have been working closely with VITEMA mangament and the VI National Guard. It just so happens that the VITEMA Director is also a Brigadier General in the Guard. We participate in the weekly FEMA HF net (FNARS) and are in the process of organizing a weekly HF net between key governmental agencies in the VI and Puerto Rico.

Last year we activated for a couple of tropical storms that were in the area. Our goal is to continually "push the bar higher" and be even better prepared for another direct strike. Being on a small Caribbean island means that evacuation is much less of an option. This places a much greater importance on emcomm as the bulk of our post-storm relief will come from "off-island." I can tell you that my previous CERT, NHC, NIMS, ICS and ARRL emcomm training has proven invaluable in this exercise.

There are some photos of our progress on the VITEMA <http://www.vitema.gov/radio/index.html> website. We will be hosting license classes shortly for VITEMA and TSA personnel. Hopefully this will lead to even more KP2 activity! While the comms stuff is cool, the best part is that we have made life-long friendships within VITEMA and the community. These too will be invaluable when the "rubber hits the road" and we have to pull together in the aftermath of a storm. -- Fred Kleber, K9VV, ARRL USVI Section Manager, Gallows Bay Station, Christiansted, VI

==> TRAINING: ARRL COURSES UPDATED

The former Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (AREC) series of three levels of emergency communications courses has been reconfigured into two new courses: An introductory course for radio amateurs who want to volunteer to provide services for public service and emergency communications, and a course for leaders and managers who are responsible for training and coordinating response efforts. The course descriptions for both of these courses that make up the ARRL's ARES® training program can be found in the ARRL Online Course Catalog <http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>. Links to register for each course are included in the course descriptions.

Introduction to Emergency Communication

The Introduction to Emergency Communication course (#EC-001) is an update of the former Level 1 course. It is designed to provide basic

knowledge and tools for any ham who wants to serve as a Public Service volunteer. It also provides an opportunity for non-hams who rely on communications in emergency situations to learn about Amateur Radio and its unique role in emergencies.

The course is offered online using the Moodle online learning platform <http://moodle.org/>. When you register for the course, you will need to demonstrate completion of two FEMA course pre-requisites: Introduction to the Incident Command System <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS100b.asp> (ICS-100 [IS-100.b]) and National Incident Management System <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS700a.asp> (IS-700). This is a mentored course. You will be assigned to correspond with an experienced radio amateur who will be your resource for any questions you have about the course content.

Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs

The Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs course (#EC-016) is designed for Amateur Radio operators who will be in leadership and managerial roles, organizing other volunteers to support public service activities and communications emergencies. In this course, participants will learn how radio amateurs prepare and organize to support local community events and, when working in coordination with governmental and other emergency response organizations, how to deploy their services to provide communications when needed in an emergency.

This course is available online on the ARRL website to all League members. The course can be accessed without a fee or enrollment directly through the ARRL website. To view the course, you must be logged into the ARRL website as a member, or as a "Guest" member. This is a self-study course that you may complete at your own pace.

==> LETTERS: SOMETIMES WE GET NOTICED

I wanted to share this story of interest to others who volunteer and support their communities in times of need. After recent major forest fires in the mountains above Colorado Springs with the loss of several lives and 350 homes lost, and a resulting 32,000 evacuees, flash flooding became our next urgent concern. Our local RACES team was activated by the Sheriff's Office to act as spotters for rising streams and possible flash flooding.

On a recent night as I stood in rain on the center span of the steel pedestrian bridge about 20' above a dark raging torrent of Monument Creek's muddy water, a passerby stopped to observe with me and comment about how amazingly fast the water had come up. I quickly agreed and said "Yeah, my buddy and I have been here awhile watching it and you should have seen it -- it went from just ankle deep to chest high in a matter of seconds!" Seeing my yellow safety vest he asked if I was with

the city works or other agency. I said, "No, we're just a bunch of ham radio operators who volunteer our time to the county; we're actually with the El Paso County Sheriff Office." I then went on to explain there was similar flash flood spotter teams strategically placed throughout the county watching streams rise and then using our radios to report observations back to the EOC. He said, "It's great to know someone's out here watching our backs!" He then turned and extended his hand to shake mine and said "Nice to meet someone on the front lines." He thanked me for being there and then went on his way.

I must say I wore a proud smile as I walked back across the bridge in the drizzle realizing that yep, that's what we do alright; we're out here watching our community's back while they sleep, watch TV, and live their lives. It sure felt great and meant a lot to be paid a huge unsolicited thanks, especially from someone who probably is sleeping a little better tonight knowing that someone has his back! -- Steve Galchutt, WG0AT <qrp.wg0at@gmail.com>, Monument, Colorado

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

ARRL HQ sends regular and current notices of interest to disaster response communicators via Twitter. Follow ARRL's EmComm news at Twitter: @ARRL_EMCOMM. I am also active on Twitter: Follow @K1CE.

Keep cool! 73, Rick K1CE, Daytona Beach, Florida

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1223. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 205] IARU HF World Championships

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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[IARU-R2-News 205] IARU HF World Championships
2012-06-xx

The IARU HF World Championships will take place next weekend:
http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship This is the last list we send
of HQ and IARU official's stations from Region 2 that will be active
during the contest. Hope to work you in the contest!

8P - 8P6AW - ARSB
9Y - 9Y4HQ -TTARS
9Y - 9Y4X ? R2
CE - XR3HQ - RCC
CX - CX1AA - RCU
HC - HC2GRC - GRC
HK - HK3LR -LCRA
HR - HR2RCH - RCH
K - K0QB - R2
K - NU1AW/9 - IARU
K - W1AW/7 - ARRL
LU - LR5F - RCA
OA - OA4O - RCP
PY - PT2ADM - R2
PY - ZZ7HQ - LABRE
TG - TG0AA - CRAG
TG - TG9AGD ? R2
TI - TI0RC - RCCR
VE - VE6SH - AC
VE - VY2RAC - RAC
XE - 6D0LM - FMRE
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1224. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 11 July 2012

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Date: 2012-07-11 11:05:24 UTC
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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To2D DXP Sponsorship

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S_GrK05nzBc/to2d_dxp_sponsorship.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Today InnovAntennas announced another DXP sponsorship for this season, that
of TO2D to St. Barthelemy

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Terry Stevens G8DKS - SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s9Zt8JSz5gY/terry_stevens_g8dks_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It has been announced that the RSGB VHF Manager Terry Stevens G8DKS died
suddenly on Sunday, July 8

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Haraoa ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island announcement

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_m-gMwtA3PY/dxpedition_to_campbell_Island_announcement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This will be the biggest DXpedition by an Australian club in 25 years and
the biggest one in 2012 worldwide

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Satellite contact between Cuba and Alaska

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/M05CJXzKF1E/satellite_contact_between_cuba_and_alaska.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

After many attempts, Hector Martinez CO6CBF in Cuba and Dale Pelzer KL7R in
Alaska have achieved a contact between Grid Squares EL92sd and BP54xt using
the amateur radio satellite FO-29

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Ham Radio Laser Communications

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Cpz6iiNEe4M/ham_radio_laser_communicati

ons.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mario Roessler DH5YM has made available a video showing amateur radio laser communications over a distance of 48 km

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AP2ARS on-the-air July 14-15

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9pLcGsWad34/ap2ars_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Pakistan Amateur Radio Society station AP2ARS will be active on the amateur radio satellites and HF from grid square MM65hh

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10 year-old Radio Ham on TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ipq3aqjh9MY/10_year_old_radio_ham_on_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jason Brand VK2FJAB (10) was interviewed for the morning 'Today' show on Channel 9 in Australia. He talks about amateur radio and his Do-It-Yourself space projects

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Kickstarter to launch in UK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CSScRImT3Es/kickstarter_to_launch_in_uk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The crowd-sourced funding website Kickstarter, which has been used for amateur radio projects in the USA, is to launch in the UK this autumn

1225. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 11 July 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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New ICQ Amateur/Ham Radio Podcast Released - Amateur Radio Worldwide Sailor

Posted: 10 Jul 2012 12:39 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353465-New-ICQ-Amateur-Ham-Radio-Podcast-Released-Amateur-Radio-Worldwide-Sailor&goto=newpost

Series Five Episode Fourteen of the ICQ Podcast has been released. The latest news and Ed Durrant, VK2ARE reports from Australia including an interview with VK2BAA, Worldwide Amateur / Ham Radio sailor.

Vatican Radio: New Communications Strategies VK7RRR - Tasmania's First Public D-Star Repeater is On the Air! German radio hams gain access to 472-479 kHz Segment of 2m to be used for Olympics New Amateur Extra Class Question Pool effective Insurance scheme for UK Radio Amateurs Sending a message to Bletchley Park 10th Anniversary of OSCAR 7's Return To Life Students build Supercapacitor battery for next ARISSat Encouraging science, technology, engineering and mathematics ARRL Executive Committee Approves Resource Grants for 11 Schools 100 memory buttons and more for Flex PowerSDR Le Tour de France 2012 - GB4TDF

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1226. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 11 July 2012

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ILLW 2012

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With only 6 weeks to 18-19th August for the 15th annual International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend event entries are almost at the 300 mark (298 actual), with expectations of reaching close to 500 this year. This event is NOT a contest but a fun weekend involving lighthouses in over 40 countries world wide.

For full details of the event and its history see the official web site at http://illw.net

Come and join us and help publicize these wonderful structures that have saved many lives over the years.

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3V8BB QSL LOTW?

Posted: 10 Jul 2012 03:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353495-3V8BB-QSL-LOTW&goto=newpost

Has anyone received a QSL via LOTW yet from 3V8BB? If not what direct address should I use?

I worked him on 3/24, 20 and 15m. Does anyone know who ran that operation? The web site does not say.

This is a new one for me.

Tnx,

Chuck WA4USA

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Yw2om al aire desde el 19 al 24 de julio

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353458-Yw2om-al-aire-desde-el-19-al-24-de-julio&goto=newpost

SALUDOS A TOD@S COLEGAS Y AMIGOS, NUEVAMENTE EL RADIO CLUB VENEZOLANO REALIZA UNA NUEVA EXPEDICION A UNO DE LOS LUGARES MAS INTERESANTES DEL

PAIS,SU NOMBRE ES CIDA, DONDE SE DESARROLLA LA ASTRONOMIA, LAS CIENCIAS DEL ESPACIO Y AFINES, UTILIZANDO LA TECNOLOGIA DE PUNTA INTERACTUANDO CON OTROS CENTROS A NIVEL MUNDIAL!

LOS INVITAMOS A CONTACTARLOS DESDE EL 19 AL 24 DE JULIO! para mas informacion en qrz.com YW2OM, y el observatorio:http://www.cida.gob.ve

1227. [DXNL] DXNL 1788 (Jul 11, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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7X, ALGERIA
The special event stations 7T50I (Radio Club Algiers), 7U50I and
7V50I (Radio Club Laghouat), 7W50I (Radio Club Bou-Saada) and
7Y50I (Radio Club Mostaganem) are celebrating the 50th anniversary of
the independence of Algeria until Dec 31. A special award is available.
QSLs via 7X2ARA.

9A, CROATIA
The team of the Croatian Radio Amateur Association will participate in
the IARU HF World Championship (Jul 14/15) using the special callsign
9A20HQ this year. All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau automatically.
See also: http://www.hamradio.hr/index.php?view=article&id=2116

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
The "Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Radio Society" will join the upcoming
IARU HF World Championship as 9Y4HQ in CW and SSB on all bands.
QSL via DF2RG.

AP, PAKISTAN
Pakistani hams (AP2AUM, AP2MF, AP2MKS) announced to show up as AP2ARS
from the Swat district (35.5044 N, 72.5996 E; Loc MM65hh) from a height
of 2300m a.s.l. from Jul 13-15. Listen for them on 20m and 40m running
150 watts into an Inverted V dipole and via satellite.
Unfortunately QSL only direct via: PARS AP2ARS, Box 1450 Islamabad,
44000, Pakistan. See also: http://www.pakhams.com

CE, CHILE
The Radio Club de Chile (CE3AA) will sign XR3HQ in CW and SSB on all
bands during the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via bureau.

DL, GERMANY
The German team DA0HQ will be active from eight different QTHs using
the special DOK HQ12

in CW and SSB on the six main HF bands during the
IARU HF World Championship. The DA0HQ operators are looking forward to
make many QSOs. In the interest of fairness everybody should work
several HQ stations during this contest.

As every year the district Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania plans a
special activity to support the SOP award (Sea of Peace).
DL0SOP will be QRV from Jul 1-31 and hands out some points for the SOP
and also the special SDOK SOP12. See also: http://www.mydarc.de/dl0sop

EI, IRELAND
Olivier,ON4EI, will be active as EI8GQB using an hybrid wind-solar
power system from his caravan until Jul 31. He will take part in the
IOTA Contest as EI1A. More details at QRZ.com. QSLs via ON4EI.

Olivier,ON4EI, and Bernard,EI4II, will join the upcoming IARU HF World
Championship as Irish HQ station using EI80IRTS (and also on Jul 21).

F, FRANCE
Philippe,F5SKW, Dimitri,F5SWB, Freddy,F5IRO/J28RO, David,F8CRS,
Yves-Michel,F5PRU, and possibly also others will be active as TM70TE
from the 3rd floor of the Eiffel Tower, approximately 300 meters above
the ground, from July 12-15 to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the
French Army Signal Corps. QSL via F6KHX oder F5OGL.

FM, MARTINIQUE
Lars,K9FY, wants to enjoy the pile-ups on 160m-10m signing TO5U from
Ducos on Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041) from Jul 11-18.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

G, ENGLAND
The RSGB team has applied the special call GO2HQ or the IARU Contest
and they will work from several DXCCs. They have also launched a
special awards program. QSL via M0OXO. See also: http://www.gr2hq.com

GW, WALES
The "Strumble Head DX & Contest Group" will be active again as MC0SHL
from Ramsey Island (EU-124, Loc IO71) on 40m-6m using two Hexbeams and
a Windom with one station dedicated to digital modes (mostly RTTY)
from Jul 12-16. The Team members include Ant,MW0JZE, Charles,M0OXO,
Chris,G1VDP, and Rob,MW0RLJ, with his XYL Jane. They will operate from
their farm HQ in the Pembrokeshire National Park (WFF GFF-015) if they
are unable to get to the island due to bad weather.
QSL via M0URX (OQRS), LoTW and Clublog. See also: http://www.mc0shl.com

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS
Vadym,UT6UD, will be active as H44UD from New Georgia Island (OC-149)
from Jul 10-17. Activity will be holiday style and he will work mainly
in CW during his evening and morning. If conditions permit, Vadym will
try to activate also the IOTA groups OC-047 and OC-158. QSL via UT6UD.

HC, ECUADOR
Members of the Quito Radio Club (HC1QRC) will be active as HD081QRC
in CW and SSB on all bands from Jul 14-22. The operation is celebrate
the 81st anniversary of the founding of the Quito Radio Club. Equipment
will include both modern and some beautifully restored vintage radios
by Gustavo,HC1BG. QSL via HC1JQ.

JA, JAPAN
Following stations will join the IARU HF World Championship from Japan:
8N1HQ (JA1HGY, Minato-city, 160m CW, 10m CW)
8N1HQ (JG1ZUY, Kimitsu-city, 15m SSB)
8N1HQ (7J1YAJ, Naka-gun, 40m CW, 40m SSB)
8N3HQ (JH3AIU, Miki-city, 15m CW)
8N4HQ (JH4WBY, Okayama-city, 80m CW, 80m SSB, 10m SSB)
8N8HQ (JH8ZMM, Iwamizawa-city, 20m CW, 20m SSB)
QSLs will be sent via bureau automatically.

8J1MBR is a special event call on the occasion of the 60th anniversary
of
Mobara City (JCC 1210) in Chiba prefecture in the Kanto region on
Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA
2376). It is active until Mar 31, 2013.
QSL via bureau.

HAMs are celebrating the 20th anniversary of Yachimata City (JCC 1230)
(known
for Suika = watermelon and peanuts) and activate the special
event station
8J1SPY until Mar 31, 2013. Yachimata-City is located in
the Chiba prefecture (AS-007, WLOTA 2376). QSL via
bureau.

The special event stations 8N0CLEAN and 8N5CLEAN are active during the
"Clean Reception Environment Month" until Oct 31. QSLs via bureau.

The special event station 8J6OKAJO is working until Dec 31 to mark the
400th anniversary of Oka Province Castle Town (now Taketa-city JCC 4408
Jo: Castle) in the prefecture Oita on Kyushu (AS-077, WLOTA 0963).
QSL via bureau.

The special callsign 8J9HC is active Aug 12 to celebrate the
36th All Japan High School Cultural Festival in Toyama (JCC 2801) on
the island of Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376). QSL via bureau.

LX, LUXEMBURG
The radio society "Radioamateurs du Luxembourg" will be represented by
LX75HQ during the IARU HF World Championship. QSL via LX2A.

The special event station LX75RL marks the 75th jubilee of the society
outside of the contest until Dec 31. QSL via LX2A.
See also: http://www.rlx.lu

UA1, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
The special event call UE95K marks the 95th birthday of Paul Kamozine
from Jul 14-22. He was a pilot and twice hero of the Soviet Union.
Operation takes place in all modes from Bryansk (oblast Bryanskaya,
UA3Y, oblast #118). QSL via RV3YR, direct preferred.

V4, ST KITTS AND NEVIS
once again John,W5JON, will be operating as V47JA from Calypso Bay on
St. Kitts (IOTA NA-104, Loc FK87pg) between Jul 12 and Aug 2. Activity
will be in SSB on 80m-6m (incl. 60m) and also during the RSGB IOTA SSB
Contest and the CQWW VHF Contest (Jul 21/22). His equipment includes:
Kenwood TS-590S and a SB200 amp, a 80m-10m multiband dipole and a
S9 vertical. His XYL Cathy,W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM.
All QSLs should be sent via his homecall W5JON, also via LoTW.

VE, CANADA
The Hamilton Amateur Radio Club (VE3DC) and the 1812 Special Committee
are pleased to announce that the special callsign XM31812 will be QRV
from Jul 13-15 to commemorate the Bicentennial of the War of 1812.
QSL via VE3ATX. See also: http://www.wix.com/xm31812/xm31812

A group of HAMs is going to visit Prince Edward Island (NA-029) from
Jul 12-16. They will join the upcoming IARU HF World Championship as
the Canadian HQ station VY2RAC. QSL via: Radio Amateurs of Canada,
720 Belfast Road, Suite 217, Ottawa, Ontario, K1G 0Z5, Canada.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT
Bob,W5UQ, and Bill,W5SJ, will be active as VP2MUQ and VP2MSJ from
Gingerbread Hill during their annual July DXpedition from Jul 17-24.
They will be QRV in holiday style focussing on CW, 30/17/12m and RTTY.
QSLs via W5JAY.

VP9, BERMUDA
A team of Dit,DF7KF, Angelo,DM1AC, and Joe,DL9MS, will show up as
DF7KF/VP9 (or with a special call) on 144 MHz via EME working from
Bermuda (Loc FM72oh) starting on Jul 13. QSL via DL9MS, only direct.

LG/SJ, MOROKULIEN
Bernd,DH1SBB, Claus,DO9BC, Guenther,DG7SF, and Mike,MD0VMD, will be QRV
as LG5LG and SJ9WL (alternating each day) from Morokulien on the border
between Norway and
Sweden (Loc JO69cw). Activities will take place in
SSB and digital modes on 160m-6m (mainly 40m/20m) from Jul 13-17.
QSLs via LA4EKA (please no eQSL).

HAM RADIO IN TURKMENISTAN: N8OO (ex-EZ5AA) states that all amateur radio
activities from Turkmenistan is illegal for about ten years.

HEAD QUARTERS AWARD 2012
Die "Brave Radio Friends" sponsor the HEAD QUARTERS AWARD 2012.
Applicants must work a minimum of 10 different HQ stations during the
IARU HF World Championship. Each HQ stations counts only once on any
band or mode. The award is for free and available only as a PDF.

Send your applications to de3ear@darc.de by Aug 31, 2012. Please
send your attachments only in one of the following formats: pdf, txt,
doc, xls, jpg

JAPAN DX MEETING 2012: The Japan DX Meeting 2012 will be held in Tokyo on
Aug 25. See also: http://jdxm.web.fc2.com/e.html

P5, NORTH KOREA: Rick,K6VVA, has been working for quite some time on a
"P5 CW Only & IOTA AS-197 Project". Stay tuned! http://www.k6vva.com/p5

CQ WPX award and LoTW: The WPX award is the first non ARRL award which can
be applied for via LoTW. See also: http://www.arrl.org/news and
arrl-launches-logbook-of-the-world-wpx-award-integration

ARCTIC TOUR: The Arctic tour aanounced in DXNL 1786 will start on July 10.
Callsigns used
are RW0BG/p (Krasnoyarsk region) und RW0BG/9 (outside of
Krasnoyarsk region). See also: http://n69p.ru/english and
https://sites.google.com/site/rk0bww/home/novosti/arctic-trip-2012

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 13 FISTS Sprint Contest
Jul 14/15 IARU HF World Championship

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-061, R0K, Ratmanova Islands & AS-092, R0K, Bering Sea Coast South group:
Members of the Russian Robinson Club want to activate the rare islands
Ostrov Ratmanova (AS-061, Big Diomede Island, RRA RR-11-04, RDA CK-08)
and Ostrov Alyumka (AS-092, RRA RR-12-01, RDA CK-05) signing RI0K from
July 15 until Aug 28. They plan to operate in SSB and CW on all bands.
Ask the operator for the QSL route.

EU-004, EA6, Balearic Islands: Flavio,EA6/IW2NEF, will spend his holidays
on Mallorca (DIE E-021, MIA MB-004, WLOTA 1902, Loc JM19) again and
will work holiday style on HF/6m/2m from Jul 16-27. QSL via homecall.

EU-015, SV9, Crete Island: Claude,SV9/HB9CRX, will work with QRP (5 watts,
CW only) on 30m-6m from Kissamos Island from Jul 9-21. QSL via HB9CRX.

EU-029, OZ, Sjaelland Archipelago: Alain,F5LMJ, will be QRV as 5P5J from
Lolland Island (DIA SJ-015, WLOTA 2773) on Jul 14-28. QSL via F5LMJ.

EU-066, R1O, Solovetskiye Islands: Victor,UA1OEJ/p, plans to become active
in SSB/CW on the HF bands from Solovetsky lighthouse (RLE-042, RFF-175)
from Jul 12-20. QSL via homecall.

EU-112, GM/MM, Shiant Islands: The activation of the Shiant Islands by GB5SI
was postponed until 2013.

EU-114, GU/MU: Guernsey group: Peter,OT9Z/ON8ZZ, Dominiek,ON3JA, and
Frederik,ON3NT, will be QRV as MU/OT9Z from Guernsey (WLOTA 0013)
from Jul 16-20. They plan to visit these islands:
Jul 17: Herm Island (St. Martins Point Light, GUE-007)
Jul 18: Sark Island (Point Robert Light, GUE-003, WLOTA 0944)
Jul 19: Alderney (Alderney Light, GUE-004, WLOTA 0198)
QSL via OT9Z (bureau) or ON3NT (direct).
See also: http://dxpeditionchannelislands.weebly.com

SA-037, YV5, Blanquilla group: The DX Group Caracas members plan to activate
La Blanquilla Island (DIV-039, WLOTA 0894, ARLHS VEN-023) as YW5B from
Jul 11-16. They will be QRV in CW, SSB, FM and digital modes on 160-2m.
QSL via DM4TI. See also: http://www.gdxc.org

Lighthouse activities

9Y4HQ LH 0563 Jul 14-15
TO5U LH 1041 Jul 11-18

WFF activities

DLFF: Daniel,DM3DA/p, will be QRV only in CW on 30m from the nature park
"Holstein Switzerland" (DLFF-072) on July 14/15. QSL via DM3DA.

GFF: Andrew,M6ADB/p, will be QRV ftom Wren's Nest (GFF-210, WAB SO99) or
from Sutton Park (GFF-211/WAB SP09) on July 11, starting from 0700 UTC.
On July 12, he will be active from Aston Rowant (GFF-175, WAB SU79).
Depending on his time he may show up also from GFF-058. Listen for him
only in SSB on 40m and 20m, if conditions permit also on 17m-10m.
QSL via homecall.

HAFF: A few members of the "Regional Radio Sport Club Puspokladany" plan to
work with up to 4 stations on the HF bands in CW, SSB and digital modes
from the rare nature reserve "Hevesi Fuves Pusztak" (HAFF-020) signing
HG0WFF from Jul 13-16. QSL via HA0HW (bureau/direct), WFF LogSearch.

LYFF: Yurek,LY/SP5VYI, plans to work from following parks until Jul 22:
SP5VYI zu funken: LYFF-003, LYFF-010, LYFF-017, LYFF-028, LYFF-039.
QSL via SP5VYI (bureau/direct).

PAFF: Frans,PC2F, wants to activate the special callsign PC25HR on July 14.
He plans to build up his station near the steam-pumping station
"Hertog Reijnout" (PAFF-044) on Jul 14. His preferred frequencies are:
SSB: 3744, 7144, 14144, 21 244, 18 144, 24944 and 28 444 kHz
QSL via PC2F. More details can be found at http://www.qrz.com/db/PC25HR

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

26Jun-09Jul 2E1EUB 1785
-09Jul 2M1EUB 1786
-31Jul 3G90AA 1787
14Jul-28Jul 5P5J 1788 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788 *
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788 *
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788 *
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-15Jul 8J3XVI 1779
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788 *
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-12Aug 8J9HC 1788 *
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788 *
14Jul/15Jul 8N1HQ.. 1788 *
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
15May-31Jul 8N6JAPAN 1783
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-28Jul 8N1TW 1773
08Jul-21Jul 9A/HA4BF/p 1787
14Jul/15Jul 9A20HQ 1788 *
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751
14Jul-15Jul 9Y4HQ 1788 *

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
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13Jul-15Jul AP2ARS 1788 *
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
Unknown CG3B 1786
15Jun-15Jul CG7CWPC 1784
05Jul-15Jul CK6S 1787
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
Unknown CR6BWU 1784
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-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
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14Jul/15Jul DA0HQ 1788 *
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
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2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
Jul DL0SOP 1788 *
-Jan/13 DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
10Jul-20Jul DL4AO/p 1787
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-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784

Unknown E40VB 1780
02Jul-25Aug E51AND 1786
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07Jul-21Jul E51YNB.. 1787
-31Dec E720RS 1770
16Jul-27Jul EA6/IW2NEF 1788 *
08Jul-19Jul EI/WJ2O/m 1787
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788 *
-31Jul EI8GQB.. 1788 *
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
08Jul-19Jul ES0FTZ 1787
Unknown EV1150P 1779
Jul EV910B 1787
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
10Jul-17Jul FP/KV1J 1787
-Jul FR8NE 1710
19May-27Jul G4WAB.. 1780
-15Jul GB10SOTA 1787
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
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08Jul-19Jul GI/WJ2O/m 1787
14Jul/15Jul GO2HQ 1788 *

-17Jul H44UD 1788 *
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
14Jul-22Jul HD081QRC 1788 *
13Jul-16Jul HG0WFF 1788 *
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
Resident HS0ZKG 1778
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
23Jun-15Jul IS0/IZ0KRC 1786
-2011/2? J28JV 1680
-Jul J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
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29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY9ET 1779
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
13Jul-17Jul LG5LG.. 1788 *
14Jul/15Jul LX75HQ 1788 *
-31Dec LX75RL 1788 *
03Jul-22Jul LY/SP5VYI 1788 *

Jul LY54SOP 1786
13Jul-17Jul LG5LG.. 1788 *
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770

11Jul-12Jul M6ADB/p 1788 *
12Jul-16Jul MC0SHL 1788 *
16Jul-20Jul MU/OT9Z 1788 *
08Jul-13Jul N1FJ/p 1787
-15Aug NR4CB 1780
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Jul +Sep OE2XXM.. 1786
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DL2JRM 1787
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DO2XX 1787
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DO6XX 1787
10Jul-19Jul OZ/HB9EYW 1787
07Jul-20Jul OZ0FR/p 1787
01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
-29Jul PC100NOM 1787
11Jul PC25HR 1788 *
Jul PW7FD.. 1787

-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784
-31Jul R200BS 1783
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
15Jul-28Aug RI0K 1788 *
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
01Jul-31Aug SN0HAL 1786
-Jul SV1EEX/8 1787
09Jul-21Jul SV9/HB9CRX 1788 *
-31Jul SX135HRC 1784
01Jul-31Jul SX9S 1786
sporadical T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786
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-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779
12Jul-15Jul TM70TE 1788 *

-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Jul TN9SN 1755
11Jul-18Jul TO5U 1788 *
-06Aug TT8PK 1785
26Jun-12Aug TY2BP 1786

12Jul-20Jul UA1OEJ/p 1788 *
-31Aug UE80C 1784
14Jul-22Jul UE95K 1788 *
12Jul-02Aug V47JA.. 1788 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
15Jun-15Jul VC2L 1784
01Jun-31Jul VK100WIQ 1783
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782/1786
17Jul-24Jul VP2MUQ.. 1788 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
15Jun-15Jul VX3ROYL 1784
25Jun-25Jul VX3X 1785
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
13Jul-15Jul XM31812 1788 *
14Jul/15Jul XR3HQ 1788 *
11Jul-16Jul YW5B 1788 *
-Jul XV3C 1785
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3G90AA via CE3AA (B)
4S7BRG via LZ3HI (B)
5B/DJ7TO via DJ7TO (B)
5C13BL via 6K5YPD (B)
5C13IG via 6K5YPD (B)
5C13MC (B)
5C13NK via 6K5YPD (B)
5C13YAN (B)
5C13YZ via 6K5YPD (B)
5P5J via F5LMJ (B)
5T0JL via ON8RA (B)
7T50I via 7X2ARA (B)
7U50I via 7X2ARA (B)
7V50I via 7X2ARA (B)
7W50I via 7X2ARA (B)
7Y50I via 7X2ARA (B)
8J1MBR (B)
8J1SPY (B)
8J6OKAJO (B)
8J7FUKKO/7 (B)
8J9HC (B)

8N5CLEAN (B)
8N1HQ sends automatically
8N3HQ sends automatically
8N4HQ sends automatically
8N5CLEAN (B)
8N8HQ sends automatically
9A20HQ sends automatically
9Y4HQ via DF2RG (B)
AM8EPF via EA8URV (B)
AP2ARS (d)
C91IW via ZS1WY
CG3B via VE3FOI (B)
CK6S via VE6AO (B)
CO6LE via EA5GL (d)
CR6RS via CT1BAT (EURAO bureau)
DA0HQ (B)
DA0TTO via DL6MKA (B)
DF7KF/VP9 via DL9MS (d)
DL/JA5AQC via JA5AQC (B)
DL0SOP sends automatically
DM3DA/p via DM3DA (B)
EA6/IW2NEF via IW2NEF (B)
E7CW via E73ESP (B)
EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO
EE1GEM via EB1GEM (B)
EE3URR via EA3URR (B)
EG6RN via EA6URL (B)
EG7FCJ via EA7FC (B)
EH8TID via EA8NQ (B)
EI12VOR via EI4GRC
EI1A via ON4EI (B)
EI80IRTS via EI4GXB, LoTW
EI8GQB via ON4EI (B)
ES2012ABCS via ES2TT (B)
EV68P via EW2AB (B)
FG4NN via NI5DX (B)
GB5DX (B), (L), eQSL
GB5NTT via M0XIG
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d)
KH8PPG via N7RO (B)
KL1A via RW3AH (d, to OE address)
LG5LG via LA4EKA
LX75HQ via LX2A (B)
LX75RL via LX2A (B)
LY/SP5VYI via SP5VYI (B)
LY2012TAFISA via LY2QT
LY54SOP via LY5W (B)
LZ9M via LZ3GM (B)
M6ADB/p via M6ADB (B)
MC0SHL via M0URX (B), OQRS

MJ/DL9MWG via DL9MWG (B)
MN5ALJ via GI7THH (B)
MU/OT9Z via OT9Z (B), ON3NT (d)
NH0J via JJ2VLY (B)
P3EU via 5B4AHO (B)
OH0/DJ5HG via DJ5HG (B)
OZ/DB9HL via DB9HL
OZ/DL2JRM via DL2JRM (B)
OZ/DO6EBB/p via DO6EBB (d), eQSL
PA/DL1DN/p via DL1DN (B)
PC100NOM via PA0FAW (B)
PC25HR via PC2F (B)
PJ2/DF8ZH via DF8ZH (B)
PQ7FD via PS7AB (B)
SC2012ARDF via SM6AGR
SI9AM via SM3CVM (B)
SJ9WL via LA4EKA
SN7L via SP7PGK (B)
SN9F via SP9ZHR (B)
SV1CDY/8 via SV1CDY (B), eQSL
SV9/HB9CRX via HB9CRX (B)
SX1K via SV1MQJ (B)
SX1Q via SV1JGW (B)
T88WJ via JS3LSQ (B)
TC6BLH via TA1HZ (B)
TM0HQ (B)
TM0TSR via F4FJH (B)
TM17H via F8FZC (B)
TM2K via F1UVN
TM70TE via F6KHX, F5OGL (B)
TO5U via K9FY (d)
UA1OEJ/p via UA1OEJ (B)
UE95K via RV3YR (d)
V47HAM via W5JON, LoTW
V47JA via W5JON, LoTW
VO1/W8LRO via W8LRO (L)
VO2/W8LRO via W8LRO (L)
VP2MSJ via W5JAY (B)
VP2MUQ via W5JAY (B)
VP5/OZ1LQO via OZ1LQO
VP9I via DL9MS (d)
VX3ROYL via VE3NOO (B)
XM31812 via VE3ATX
XR3HQ (B)
YW5B via DM4TI (B)
Z38VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
ZA/UA4WHX via UA4WHX (B), (L)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok

(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

NOT QSL Manager:
Tim,KQ8M, is NOT the QSL manager of VE2CSI. Tim was responsible
a QSL manager ONLY for the CQ WWDX CW Contest 1992 (Nov 28/29, 1992).
QSL for VE2CSI via M0URX (see QRZ.com).

QSLs arrived direct: 3DA0FC (ON4CIK), AA1LC/KH2, TO3X (ON4CIT)

QSLs arrived bureau: CE2EYN, CE3PG, HO1X (DJ2ST), JA1TLE, JE1FQV, JF1GYX,
JF1KFR, OM55TV (via OM3MB), R7DX, RG50D (UA3FA),
VK4KW, XU7KOH

QSLs arrived LoTW: PJ7PT

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F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, HB9CRX, NG3K, SP5VYI, VA3RJ and others.

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

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1228. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-11 19:18:32 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201207111918.q6BJILke012635@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2595
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter no. 1/ WEEK 28 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-07-11
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72; start 2012-07-13 **

All is ready for takeoff on friday! The Team shall as well have 70cm (2x 16el Xpol
circular)
and a small 23cm circular setup there. Call always VP9I

All is prepaired and running well. Outside the hours on the Moon the Team will be qrv
for Tropo and MS as well (any skeds pse Mail to DL9MS).
Callsign VP9I is confirmed (thanks to VP9GI!)
A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS
are going to be qrv from Bermuda, FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ via EME
First Infos about the Bermuda Triangel Expedition
to FM72oh

RIG on 144 MHz: xp28 by 7kf, eme power and lna
Call shall be DF7KF/VP9 or possible a special licens call

QSL: only direct to Joe, DL9MS (no QSL via buro!)

SOURCE: to to Joe, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OX: greenland ; square HP15; start 2012-07-28 **

OX3LX qrv from HP15EO on HF, 2m 4m and 6m

Again this year I have some work to do in HP15 so therefore I will be QRV when not at QRL on 2m,4m and 6m.
It will also be possible to find me on HF 1.8-30MHz where I am QRV from NA-151.

Main focus is 2m EME and 4m Es

Setup is:
4m/6m 100W 4 elm duoband.

2m 1KW M2-5WL 17 elm yagi with manual elevation and azimut.

QRG's will be decide when on site. please find me on EU/NA ON4KST or JT65 EME chat

SOURCE: tnx to OZ1DJJ direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: OH&SM: Finland&Sweden; square KP43-KP46-KP07-KP03; start 2012-07-09 **

Peter PA3BIY traveling through OH & SM with 2m station.

"From July 9th till the 31st we will be travelling in the Nordic countries for a Holiday. However,
I will have some 2 m equipment with me, and try to activate a few squares along the route via MS.
These are the provisional dates where I might be active from the following locations:
July 12-16: KP43
July 16-18: KP46
July 21-22: KP07
July 23-24: KP03

In KP07 I may have the chance to be QRV from Dundret mountain, which has a magnificent take-off towards the south.

During the trip I will try to be active on KST to announce my plans, but can't promise anything! And as I
will be travelling together with my XYL, Ham radio may not always have first priority ;-) .

Equipment home made, 9 el. tonna and 400W
Hope to cu many of you on 2 m,

Peter, PA3BIY

SOURCE: Peter direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: F :France; square JN18; start 2012-07-12 **

FRENCH SPECIAL EVENT: This year 2012 is the 70th anniversary of the FRENCH ARMY SIGNAL CORPS .
Starting July 12th until July 15th, in Paris, among the festivities of the French 14 Juillet, will be held a special
ham event from a very rare location . From the 3rd floor of the Tour Eiffel (about 300 m over ground), some Hams, all Servicemen,
will be active, 24h a day. The crew consists namely of : Philippe/F5SKW, Dimitri/F5SWB, Freddy/F5IRO, David/F8CRS and Yves-Michel/ F5PRU.
Some of them were operators in the past at TO4E or FT5GA.
The callsign claimed is TM70TRS, but it could be also TM70TE
The activity is scheduled on CW, SSB and RTTY, HF & VHF bands (Grid Locator JN18DU)
A special QSL card to confirm your QSO?s will be available from the F6KHX ARC or from Didier/F5OGL,
both either direct or via the French bureau.
Special notice for those who are able to receive the French TF1 TV Network programmes ;

A French TF1 TV Network technician?s team managed by the journalist Anne-Claire Coudray, has made a movie, showing the operators
when preparing the station, for the operation, on last June 19th.
This movie will be included in the July 14th, morning (utc+2) , French Forces parade on the Champs Elys?, TV report. Have fun and luck.

SOURCE: tnx to Maurice, F5NQL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA: Norway; square KQ21; start 2012-07-20 **

Mek SP7VC and Waldi SP7IDX will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC from Mageroya isl. EU-044,QTH: locator KQ21VC at Nordkapp at the Barents Sea - between 20.07-29.07.2012
We will work in holiday style (we also go fishing).We plan to use 2 stations: the first for HF band the second for the 50Mhz. We will operate on bands from 80 to 6m on ssb, rtty, also in IOTA Contest 2012

SOURCE: tnx to Mek, SP7VC, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EW: Belarus; square KO32-KO42; start 2012-08-01 **

Next Expedition from the SUDXF Team from KO43&KO32

>From August 1 to August 10, the team SUDXF will QRV MS, EME, TROPO of squares KO42, KO32. We start at the same time of two squares: one EME, from another MS and TROPO. After four days, changing squares. Call - EW/UT2GWW. Range - 144 MHz? may be and 432 MHz. Frequencies: EME - 144,138 MHz, MS - 144.353 MHz. The work is always in the first period.

Operators: EME - Anatoly, UY5HF, Alex, UR7GO. MS - Vlad, US8ZAL, Mike, US0GM.

QSL via US8ZAL

SOURCE: tnx to US8ZAL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: D6: Comoros; start 2012-08-01 **

Hi all

These are last news about our expedition to Comoros Islands (IOTA AF-007), from 8th to 21 August 2012.
The team members are Fabrizio IW3SQY, Paolo IV3DSH, Franco IZ8GCE, Sigi DL7DF, Les SP3DOI, Josep EA3AKY
and Salvador C31CT/EA3QS. We will be with the call D64K, locator LH18PJ. QTH is close to the west coast,
just at sea side, having a very good take-off to EU, Africa, and America, unfortunately to the east we will
have high mountains, about 400 meters to Asia, and 2000 meters to VK/ZL (volcano is just there).
The team has already obtained all permissions and the license has been sent to the DXCC Desk.
The license covers from 160 to 6 meters and we will be active on all bands and modes, including 6 meters EME. More info is in our web www.d64k.com
We hope to have internet access and to be qrv on on4kst chat and, possibly,
we will have on-line log. If we are not in the chat, you may send a SMS to
my phone number +34 655 565 034 in case you hear our beacon and we don&#65533;t answer the calls.
We will have a dedicated station on 6 meters with K3+PR6, ACOM1000, 6M8GJ antenna,
with elevation, fed with 25 meters of ecoflex15.

Operating frequencies will be:

Beacon: 50.103
CW/SSB: 50.103 (please split up 1 if good condx)
EME: 50.193 JT65A D64K transmits first sequence

We will be on EME at moonrise and moonset, starting the moonrise of August 9th (21:10z) and finishing at moonrise of August 20th (05:00z + 3 hours). Usually we will be on EME three hours after MR or before MS. We will run a beacon (k3 and 6m8gj) beaming to the best place to have F2/TEP conditions outside EME periods. Anyway if there is any F2/TEP it will have priority. We are also QRV to try any MS sked with south African stations.

Please check EME procedure at http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/DXpedition%20Procedure.pdf before calling us in this mode.

Hope to hear you from D64K

73 Josep and the team

EA3AKY
http://ea3aky.blogspot.com/
www.d64k.co

Hi all

It?s just 6 weeks before the expedition and I promised to keep you informed.
These are our last news: We will arrive to Comoros on August 8^th and we will
be qrv on 6 meters from the following day, August 9^th until the 20^th .
We will run a dedicated station with K3 + pr6 preamp, ACOM1000, and a 6m8gj antenna.
QRV cw, ssb, digi modes (jt65a, iscat and jt6m) and EME . We will run a breakable beacon on cw or jt65a. We hope to have internet access and will be on on4kst chats.

QTH will be LH18PJ just at sea side. By now we have got the license for
HF and 6 meters and flight tickets are already booked.

Schedule is as follows:
8/8 arrive to qth
9/8 install 6m station
First windows:
9/8 MR at 21.10Z
9/8 MS at 09.00Z
Last windows:
19/8 MS at 16:40Z
20/8 MR at 05:05Z
20/8 pack 6m station and return home
MR will be looking to mountains in the island about 200 meters high at 2 Km, will see how it works.
MS will be looking to the sea, expecting good ground gain and low noise.
We don?t have any particular frequency, usually I will TX first on 193.
We will have elevation when moon is higher than 20 degrees. We expect to run about three hours before/after MS/MR, and use the rest of diurnal time for terrestrial modes. Of course, if F2/TEP opens it will have priority, sorry, I think you will understand us.

Hope to work all you from D64K

73 Josep
EA3AKY

http://ea3aky.blogspot.com/__

HF and 6m Activity planed as D64K (LH81PJ)

We will have a station dedicated to 6m with a K3, ACOM1000 and long yagi.

Dates to be confirmed.

Operators are: C31CT/EA3QS, IW3SQY, IZ4AKS, IZ8GCE, SP3DOI, IV3DSH, EA3AKY

Expedition website: www.d64k.com

SOURCE: Josep EA3AKY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SP: Poland; square JO84; start 2012-08-05 **

Rolf, DK2ZF will be qrv from Holiday Place in JO84TH

Holiday style - most of the time will be fishing.. hopefully succesful ! But will join the Perseids !!!
No internet - its an isolated site - 70.200 with QSX 69.950/990 for DL

SOURCE: tnx to Rolf, DK2ZF, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EI: Ireland; square IO42; start 2012-08-05 **

EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD

We hope to be QRV from the evening of the 12th to the afternoon of the 15th from
IO42.(Dates may vary).
Will be on ON4KST when operation starts.
Equipment,QRG,s,Modes,Dates to be decided and when confirmed will be updated here.

QSL Direct or via Bureau.
For direct QSLs please send via EI8IQ with donation to cover return postage.

SOURCE: tnx to EI8IQ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL: Germany; square JO44; start 2012-08-25 **

Andy DG3XA will be qrv from the Island of Amrum JO44EP

QRV 144 Mhz with 50 watts @ 3 ele
6m with Dipol
TRXV: IC 7000
very small rig, because i carry my rig by bike on the island.

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC and Frank, PA4EME
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1229. eHam.net News for Wednesday 11 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-11 22:16:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed5c5d3904c4953345@google.com>
Source record: 2596
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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School's Radio Operators Make 44 Global Contacts:

Posted: 10 Jul 2012 05:26 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28607

A SCHOOL's amateur radio station has linked up with more than 40 people from across the world as part of a special birthday event. Eureka Primary School, in Dunsmore Road, Midway, held its first Legion-Air Day on Sunday after working with the Swadlincote and District branch of the Royal British Legion on a unique idea to celebrate the legion's 91st birthday. Jacqui Johnson, who teaches information and computer technology (ICT) at the school, set up an amateur radio station with her husband, and said: "We have a radio station set up at the school, but we wanted a special call sign for this event and went with GB2SBL -- Swadlincote British Legion. "We had had promises of potential contacts from The Falklands, Northern Ireland and Portugal as well as many local groups.

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'Hams' Love Frequency: Amateur-Radio Enthusiasts Enjoy Unique Hobby:

Posted: 10 Jul 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28606

Hobbies come in varieties as wide as the people who have them. Personal fitness classes, dance and sports help unify the mind and body, while art mediums give an outlet for creativity. Some people collect items like stamps and shot glasses, travel buffs plan trips all over the world while others spend hours behind computers and sketchbooks designing clothes, shoes and purses. Some curl up with books, or enjoy latest movies; some take voice and instrument lessons and lift up beautiful notes for audiences to enjoy. But "hams," or amateur radio enthusiasts, enjoy an exact and useful hobby as they communicate through frequencies.The American Radio Relay League's 2012 Field Day, involving more than 35,000 amateurs across the U.S. and Canada, was held June 23-24 in Waterfront Park in Orange Beach. "Ham Radio is a popular hobby and a service in which licensed participants operate communications equipment with a deep appreciation of the radio art," according to arrl.org. "The unique hobby of Amateur Radio is a mix of fun, public service, and convenience."

1230. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 11 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-12 02:56:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517ca9a6892ac04c498f6d5@google.com>
Source record: 2597
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Mass. hams help Pan Mass. Challenge roll to success - Examiner.com

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 10:45 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE0MmP5yJ-XrEgcE8hqq3Y-Arccdw&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/mass-hams-help-pan-mass-challenge-roll-to-success

Mass. hams help Pan Mass. Challenge roll to success
Examiner.com
The first PMCs were loosely-run affairs. Starr, realizing he needed a total support infrastructure turned to a group that has provided similar support many times for races, local parades, walk-a-thons and the like, the Amateur Radio community of ...

and more

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Benicia testing sirens Friday, residents asked not to call 911 when they do - Vallejo Times-Herald

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 06:36 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF610KDhq_ttYOW5amAEU0-stObZw&url=http://www.timesheraldonline.com/news/ci_21055846/benicia-test-sirens-friday-residents-asked-not-call

Benicia testing sirens Friday, residents asked not to call 911 when they do
Vallejo Times-Herald
The Benicia Amateur Radio Club (BARC), a volunteer group of HAM radio operators focused on disaster preparedness and communication, will also assist in communicating about the test through their network. Residents are strongly advised to not call 911 ...

and more

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Ham Now Officially Full of HotAir - mediabistro.com

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 11:00 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGK-iKSsc4jDFeBe1-_hgMDOv43cQ&url=http://www.mediabistro.com/fishbowldc/mary-katherine-ham-now-officially-full-of-hotair_b78385

mediabistro.com
Ham Now Officially Full of HotAir
mediabistro.com
Strangely enough, she wont name “WMAL” but refers to it as a “morning radio

show on Washingtons conservative talk station.” Ham feels sentimental about her new position blogging, doing video, podcasting and appearing on The Ed Morrissey Show: “It ...
Mary Katharine Ham Joins HotAir.com as Editor-at-LargeMarketWatch (press release)

all 11 news articles

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Exclusive - Gale urges West Ham to get Carroll - talkSPORT.co.uk

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 07:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFz_imhyrEKzQq0t-I2r54GN9tVzA&url=http://www.talksport.co.uk/sports-news/football/premier-league/transfer-rumours/120711/exclusive-gale-urges-west-ham-get-carroll-176385

Telegraph.co.uk
Exclusive - Gale urges West Ham to get Carroll
talkSPORT.co.uk
Tony Gale insists West Ham would be a good move for Andy Carroll – and believes the Hammers should pull out all the stops to get him. The big striker is being linked with a loan switch from Liverpool to Upton Park, and former Hammers favourite Gale ...
Sportsday - Wednesday 11 July as it happenedBBC Sport
The Paint Nothing GossipFootball365.com

all 895 news articles

1231. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JULY 15 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-12 08:49:37 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <2cf8ca92-24d8-4aaa-879e-86d7cc19d2ea@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2598
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-07-15.mp3
Text edition:

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THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JULY 15 2012.

WIA ACCOUNTS HIT BY SPAM

WIA AFFILIATED CLUB REPEATER HIT BY UNLICENSED OPERATOR

WIA TRASH N TREASURE TO BE FOUND IN VK2

WIA AFFILIATED CLUB HAMFEST IN VK4 THIS WEEKEND

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING JULY 15 2012.

DO NOT RESPOND.

If you receive an email supposedly from wia about upgrades DO NOT RESPOND

The mail reads something like "This is to inform you that we are upgrading
the (wia.org.au) webmail system for an increase in storage quota. To
re-validate and increase your webmail account please click the link below."

IT IS SPAM.

If need be in the future we do need an upgrade it will be announced in the
AUDIO news service or on the WIA FRONTPAGE NEWS.

Last Monday night, several Redcliffe (VK4) club members were addressed by a pirate station on their local Redcliffe repeater. The station was using the call sign, VK4NFL.

If you hear this station or any other pirate station or man-made noise on the Redcliffe repeater, could you record as many of the exchanges as possible either on paper or using a smart phone or MP3 recording software on a PC and send the information to either VK4YJV or VK4EA via the Redcliffe club's web site, so they can provide further information to the ACMA.

If the pirate station who was on the air last Monday night is listening to this broadcast, be aware Redcliffe club members are already know the suburb you live in and will soon will know your address!

That information has already been passed to the ACMA.

It just goes to prove that the club's regular foxhunts can not only find the fox but in this case are close to finding a pirate!

(cec kenny)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Bi-monthly Trash & Treasure at VK2WI / Assessments.

The regular Trash & Treasure event will be held at VK2WI, 63 Quarry Rd. Dural Sunday 29 th July starting around 0930. Major items on offer on ARNSW web site under Disposals.

Also this day assessments for all license levels.
Candidates bring passport photo and identification.
Arrive by 1000 hours.

www.arnsw.org.au

SARCFEST 12 August, LISMORE CLUBROOM.

All are invited to attend and make their preparation for SARCFEST, 12 August. To be held at the Clubroom grounds, 414 Richmond Hill Rd, Richmond Hill, from 8.00 am.

Parking off Livotto Drive.

Goods for sale, purchase or exchange. Radios, Computers, Electronics.

Radio, Telegraph & Other Displays. Canteen / BBQ food and refreshments.

Prizes to be won !! Traders / Dealers / Swappers Welcome.

Tables / Sites - NO FEE - Donation Requested.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

TARC Social Meeting this Tuesday

This Tuesday July 17th the TARC Social Evening will be happening
at the Club Rooms atop SES HQ Green Street West End from
7-30pm.

Get along and lend a helping hand to put the magazine of renown,
Back-scatter together and socialise with fellow hams.

There will be a special visit by John Barrett, President of the Townsville
Open Water Swim Association. JB will be bringing all up to speed about this
years Magnetic Island to Townsville Swim. All are welcome !

(TARCinc)

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

REAST Training, Education & Assessment

There will be an examination session on Tuesday 17 July at 7 pm at the
REAST Clubrooms. Anyone who wishes to join in are welcome. Contact learning
organiser Reg VK7KK on 0417 391 607.

or via email on regemm@ozemail.com.au

(73, Reg VK7KK, REAST Education Officer and Assessor)

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au
under F-troop.)

Recently I witnessed something quite amazing. I was at an Amateur Radio club
relaxing and chatting with other amateurs. We were scattered throughout the
clubhouse, several little groups of interest scattered around. People moving
between groups as their interest changed and a whole dynamic ecology of
knowledge was being distributed. There were radios set-up all over the place,
an Oscilloscope was plugged into a kit to check its operation while the local
club shop was open for business with connectors and adapters. It was a real
hive of activity, BBQ going in the background and all.

While all this was happening, a few amateurs gathered around a set and
stopped talking. The radio was tuned to a station that was directing a
pile-up. If you're unfamiliar, a pile-up is what happens when one station
calls CQ and several stations respond. Then others hear the commotion and
they join in, then more hear it and before you know it, there are 20 or 30
stations all on the same frequency, scattered all over the globe chiming in

and exchanging signal reports.

Now I've heard a few pile-ups like that. I had the joy of being the source of one of them during the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend when the station I was operating seemed to be getting calls from all over the place for a solid 80 minutes or so.

Back to the pile-up I was describing earlier, the one at the clubhouse.

The thing that set this pile-up apart for me was that it was all done in Morse or in the vernacular, CW. It was the first time I'd heard Morse clustered like that. Until then I've heard the local repeater beep out its call, I've contributed my own in the form of pre-recorded audio at the top of What use is an F-call?, but this was quite something. You could hear differences in tonality, speed, how someone tapped their key, their difference in signal strength. Each signal had their own personal characteristic, unlike a voice pile-up where you can make out the odd call-sign, this seemed to be a whole lot more crisp affair.

I'd already decided that I was going to spend some effort learning Morse, but this just made my day.

If you get the chance to hear a CW pile-up, have a listen. You might not yet speak the lingo, but you'll hear more than you thought you would.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

AO, AM, AN: Spain celebrates Euro2012

You will be hearing these prefixes on the bands until July 31st, because the Spanish PTT has authorized all radio amateurs in Spain to use them, to celebrate their Soccer Win, at the request of EA Digital Federation.

We hope you enjoy the contacts in the same way you enjoyed the soccer show of late!

www.fediea.org

Ham radio from the Eiffel Tower

Operators Philippe/F5SKW, Dimitri/F5SWB, Freddy/F5IRO/J28RO, David/F8CRS, Yves-Michel/F5PRU, and possibly some other hams and French Servicemen are active as TM70TRS or TM70TE from the 3rd floor of the Eiffel Tower, approximately 300 meters above the ground, until today Sunday July 15.

Activity is to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the French Army Signal Corps and activity is on CW, SSB and RTTY, and on the HF and VHF (JN18du) bands 24 hours each day.

QSL via the REF QSL Bureau.

North Korea 'CW Only' and IOTA AS-197 Project

Rick, K6VVA, states: This is a 'Work-In-Progress and warns it is not a money grabbing DX scheme at all contrary to many ill-informed blogs.

This P5 'CW ONLY' & IOTA AS-197 PROJECT is being planned, does seem to be gaining momentum towards a positive outcome and we suggest you visit Rick K6VVA 's web page and make your own mind up.

http://www.k6vva.com/p5/p5interest.html

Amateur radio features in the European Communications Office annual report.

The report says:

The ECO has taken the lead role in the activities of the regulatory affairs working group (WG RA PT2) on amateur radio issues. We are working closely with the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 1.

We also work with non-CEPT countries which have inconsistent entries in CEPT deliverables on amateur radio and those non-CEPT members who have expressed an interest in joining the CEPT regulatory framework.

Following the closure of WG RA PT2 in the second part of 2011, the Office is now leading this activity and reporting directly to WG FM.

cept.org/files/1050/ECO/About%20ECO/ECO%20Annual%20Report/ECO%20Annual%20Report%202011_WEB.pdf

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

NEW BROADCAST CENTRE PROPOSED FOR ONE WORLD TRADE CENTRE

The new spire built to replace the fallen twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York City will also become an antenna site. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details on this emerging story:

The Durst Organization that controls New York City's One World Trade Centre in a partnership with The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey plans to add an installation for FM radio and television transmission antennas in the building's 408-foot spire. One that will ultimately bring the new building's height to 1,776 feet and make it the tallest building in North America.

The Empire State Building, 1,250 feet tall with its 204 foot antenna tower is currently the home to 19 FM stations and most of the city's digital television transmitters. Many radio and television broadcasters migrated to the Empire site after terrorist attacks of 911 caused the collapse of the World Trade Centre's twin towers in lower Manhattan.

Yet to be determined is whether any of the city's FM broadcasters will leave their current primary sites at Empire State Building for the new location at One World Trade Centre or if they will treat the new building spire primarily as a backup site.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

One thing that's pretty obvious is that at the prices being quoted for site rental income by Durst, it's unlikely that any ham radio repeaters will find a home at the new broadcast antenna site. Then again, once should never doubt the resourcefulness of New York City area hams.

SUPREME COURT RULES AGAINST THE FCC IN WARDROBE MALFUNCTION CASE

The so-called Janet Jackson "wardrobe malfunction" indecency case which led to increased profanity delay equipment installations for both TV and radio stations has come to the end of the legal road. This after the United States Supreme Court says that it will not review a lower court's ruling that overturned the FCC's $550,000 fine against CBS Corporation for televising a fleeting view of Janet Jackson's breast during the live 2004 Super Bowl half time show.

A federal appeals court had ruled the fine was arbitrary and capricious because it was much larger than indecency fines had been previously, before the commission began issuing large fines for so-called fleeting indecent utterances.

Chief Justice John Roberts agreed with the other justices not to hear the FCC's appeal. In a concurring opinion, he noted the FCC had changed its indecency policy to include fleeting utterances, supporting the arbitrary and capricious arguments, but he also warned that any future wardrobe malfunctions will not be protected going forward.

The Supreme Court last month tossed out FCC indecency fines against Fox and ABC on narrow procedural grounds. At that time it told the regulatory agency that it is free to update its broadcast indecency guidelines. For their part broadcasters have insisted for years that the FCC's indecency guidelines are vague and chill free speech.

G3PSM AWARDED THE DARC GOLDEN BADGE OF HONOUR

UK radio amateur Colin Thomas, G3PSM, has been awarded Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club Golden Badge of Honour. This, for his work in achieving an amateur radio allocation at 472 kHz.

According to the German national amateur radio society, G3PSM was involved in the European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations or CEPT preparatory process meetings and at the WRC-12 conference itself. As a result of his skilful lobbying at many meetings, the CEPT proposal for an amateur radio allocation near 600 meters was fully supported and eventually granted.

G3SPM received his award from the DARC Chairman Steffen Schoppe, DL7ATE, at a recent society hosted dinner.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW ALARA August 25-26
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6

ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

Trans-Tasman 80m phone results

Results for the Trans-Tasman 80m phone contest held in May. Congratulations to Ron, ZL4R, for achieving First ZL. Bill, QRP as ZL3VZ, achieved second ZL, and Alastair and Quentin operating ZL3YOK, achieved third ZL.

Congratulations to Ash VK3SSB, from Horsham Victoria, who took out the overall First place. The full results have now been published on the WIA website. Follow the link from the NZART web site "Rules" page.

The next Trans-Tasman contest Saturday, the 21st of July, from 8pm.
This is the new Multi-Mode contest which includes separate categories for 160m phone, as well as CW and Digital modes on both 80m, and 160m.
There's also an overall "multi-mode" category for any combination of these modes or bands. The "multi-mode" category is well suited to multiple operators, clubs, and anyone wanting more activity than any one mode can offer.

This is the first year that this contest has been fully managed in ZL, and the contest manager, Rob, ZL3AKM, wishes to thank everyone who participated.

(Sourced from the NZART News via vk7news)

ALARA CONTEST 25th and 26th August 2012

All licensed operators throughout the world are invited to participate.
Also open to SWLs.

YL works everyone, OMs & Clubs work YLs only.

One contest (combined phone and CW) run over 20 hours.

Saturday 25th August 2012 ---- 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC

Sunday 26th August 2012----- 0400 hours UTC to 1359 hours UTC

Bands to be used are 3.5, 7, 14, 21 and 28 MHz only.

The following are suggested frequencies for easier location of contacts:
28.38 to 28.41
21.17 to 21.2 and 21.38 to 21.41
14.25 to 14.28
7.07 to 7.1
3.56 to 3.59

(Jean Fisher VK3VIP President & State rep (VK3) for A.L.A.R.A.)

[IARU-R2-News 205] IARU HF World Championships 2012-07-NOW

The IARU HF World Championships, http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship
This is the list of HQ and IARU official's stations from Region 2 that will be active during the contest.

8P - 8P6AW - ARSB
9Y - 9Y4HQ -TTARS
9Y - 9Y4X ? R2
CE - XR3HQ - RCC
CX - CX1AA - RCU
HC - HC2GRC - GRC
HK - HK3LR -LCRA
HR - HR2RCH - RCH
K - K0QB - R2
K - NU1AW/9 - IARU
K - W1AW/7 - ARRL
LU - LR5F - RCA
OA - OA4O - RCP
PY - PT2ADM - R2
PY - ZZ7HQ - LABRE
TG - TG0AA - CRAG
TG - TG9AGD ? R2
TI - TI0RC - RCCR
VE - VE6SH - AC
VE - VY2RAC - RAC
XE - 6D0LM - FMRE
XE - XE1KK - AC
YS - YS1YS - CRAS
YV - YV5AM - R2
ZF - ZF1A - CARS

Joaqu&#65533;n Solana, XE1R News Editor - IARU R2 news@iaru-r2.org

(There was still no news at going to press of a WIA HQ station operating R3)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

VK 100 WIQ - Celebrating 100 Years of Organised Amateur Radio in Queensland
to July 30th 2012, various clubs about Queensland in 3 day blocks are still
activating.

Moroccan stations are permitted to use the prefix 5 C 13 instead of their
usual CN prefix until 27 July. This is to celebrate the 13th anniversary
of the crowning of King Mohammed VI.

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LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD NOW SUPPORTS CQ'S WPX AWARD

After weeks of beta testing, the ARRL has launched the integration of
Logbook of The World (LoTW), its electronic confirmation system, with
CQ Magazine's Worked All Prefixes (WPX) Award.

The WPX Award is the first of the CQ-sponsored awards that LoTW will support.

More than 51,000 radio amateurs worldwide use Logbook of The World, and there
are currently almost 432 million QSOs in the LoTW system.

arrl.org/news/arrl-launches-logbook-of-the-world-wpx-award-integration

(arrl)

LY 54 SOP

On air until July 31st, to celebrate the 54th anniversary of SOP
(Sea of Peace), Baltic Sea.

Every year in July the local radio amateurs of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern
district accomplish special activities supporting the application of the SOP.

The SOP is awarded for contacts with different countries/areas bordering
the Baltic Sea and Norway each year during the month of July.

(TARCinc)

The team at the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia are pleased
to announce that the landing permit for the ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell
Island has been issued by the New Zealand Department of Conservation.

The DXpedition will take place between the 28 November and December 9.

An international team is being assembled for this event on the sub-Antarctic
Campbell Island.

This will be the biggest DXpedition by an Australian club in 25 years
and the biggest one in 2012 worldwide.

For all information please go to the DXpedition website at ZL9HR.com

73 From ED VK2ARE, Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR and member of
the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia.

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

LiPo is the abbreviation for Lithium Polymer, one of the more recent
rechargeable battery technologies. These rechargeable batteries are gaining
popularity as prices fall and capacities improve.

NERG news suggest a great plain English introduction to these batteries can
be found at the RC Helicopters web site.

See the "Understanding RC LiPo Batteries" page at:

chelicopterfun.com/rc-lipo-batteries.html

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

STUDENTS DESIGN SUPERCAPICITOR BATTERY FOR ARISSAT

Students at Penn State university have designed and built a state-of-the-art
super-capacitor type battery for the next amateur radio ARISSat satellite.

The battery was built to handle 16 charge cycles in a given 24-hour period.

That will power the satellite in dark orbits, when the solar panels are not
in sunlight.

Dakshina Murthy Bellur, is an assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering at Penn State. According to Bellhur, the unit is a simple design. They flip a switch, and they throw it out into space.

Bellhur supervised the battery work, which counted as the students' senior project.

More can be found in cyberspace at live.psu.edu/story/60125

(ARNewsLine)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- INTERNET --- THE HAMS DOMAIN
TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA
www.HamRadioNation.com

A D I F 2 K M L is an application that plots your ham radio QSOs as pins on Google Earth.

You can see where your QSOs or QSLs came from as the Earth spins slowly on your PC screen.

Hams that use digi-modes like PSK usually record the Maidenhead Grid of the stations they work. ADIF2KML uses those grids to calculate LAT and LON, then creates a KML file. The data shown includes notes like the ham's name, callsign, QSL received etc.

This is version 2 of this program. The new version eliminates the need for Excel and does the whole conversion in Visual Basic. But you still have the option of creating a .csv file so that you can run your own analysis of your log in a spread sheet.

Download free from
www.qsl.net/zl3dw

(sourced to southgate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

JOTA/JOTI

Still some time off but JOTA co-ordinator in VK7 Peter VK7KPC advises that the plan to run the NTARC JOTA effort at the Carnacoo camp site at Paper Beach, as part of a Northern Districts camp, remains current. Operation will be from marquees with mains power available.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

ITU interview with Hans Zimmermann HB9AQS

The International Telecommunication Union have released an interview with Hans, IARU International Coordinator for Emergency Communications

The opinions expressed in ITU interviews are those of the interviewees and do not necessarily represent those of the ITU.

Watch ITU INTERVIEWS @ TDAG:
Hans Zimmermann, International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)

(southgate)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JULY 14 VK4 Wide Bay Hamfest. West Maryborough Scout Hall

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might

even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize
their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to
active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1232. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 12 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-12 11:05:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <047d7b15fb7922e31604c49ff03d@google.com>
Source record: 2599
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mosL_uI8Tmw/july_12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As poor as last week, so much so that I changed the criteria to get into
the list down from Five last week to Three this week

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Official opening of the RSGB National Radio Centre

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JZsSAFdMYH8/official_opening_of_the_rsgb_national_radio_centre.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wednesday, July 11, saw the official opening of the RSGB’s National Radio
Centre (NRC) at Bletchley Park in Milton Keynes

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F-1 CubeSat on TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YfSYjlNuhzw/f1_cubesat_on_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Vietnamese TV station VTV1 broadcast a story on the amateur radio
CubeSat F-1, callsign XV1VN, due to launch to the International Space
Station (ISS) on July 21

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Young radio operators to activate SK9HQ

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vMnlaPtuDcY/young_radio_operators_to_activate_sk9hq.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders PA2LS reports on the young
radio operators taking part in the IARU HF contest July 14-15

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rC_nJBmiq3U/iaru_monitoring_system_news

letter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The June issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports on
a mysterious siren on 18112.5 kHz

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Middlesex Radio Hams success in UAV Competition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KWd3SaKl-DU/middlesex_radio_hams_succes
s_in_uav_competition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Students from Middlesex University Robotics department obtained their
Foundation Licence after a Verulam Amateur Radio Club (VARC) course and
went on to win UAVForge

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IARU HF World Championships - Region 2 station list

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5ZcKAOrFP7A/iaru_hf_world_championships
_r2_station_list.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU HF World Championships will take place this weekend. Here is the
list of HQ and IARU official's stations from Region 2 that will be active
during the contest

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SST-US and Virgin Galactic small satellite launches

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KVPh1B7IH1k/virgin_galactic_small_satel
lite_launches.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On July 11, Surrey Satellite Technology US LLC (SST-US) signed a memorandum
of understanding (MOU) with Virgin Galactic optimizing Surrey’s innovative
satellites for Virgin’s new launch vehicle, radically lowering the cost of
building and launching small satellites

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/N0w3zMU5tpc/july_12.htm?utm_source=feed
burner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

1233. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 12 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-12 16:17:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e82b436d5b004c4a44b11@google.com>
Source record: 2600
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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E40VB QSL information

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 06:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353655-E40VB-QSL-information&goto=newpost

I sent an email to UA4WHX (ua4whx@udm.ru) today about the Pay Pal
information for E40VB on May 17 and 25, 2012. He IS the QSL mgr and he
rquested $3.00 via Pay Pal and he will send my QSLs directly to my home
address. Be sure to type in your QSO information in the Pay Pal information
box + send it via an email after you make your payment. i will post here
when I reveive my QSLs. He confirmed my Pay Pal payment a few hours after I
made it!

This will be a new DXCC country for me #314.

DO NOT send QSLs to the E40VB QRZ.com address in Palestine. They will be
sent back to you unclaimed!

Chuck

WA4USA

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TC50HQ in IARU HF Championship 2012

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 12:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353603-TC50HQ-in-IARU-HF-Championship-2012&goto=newpo
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TC50HQ in IARU HF Championship 2012

This year, the TRAC Radio and Community of Radio Amateurs will participate
in IARU HF Championship using special callsign TC50HQ

We shall be active on all six band and both modes.

See you all in the contest!

73!

TA7OM, Hudaverdi.

TRAC Vice President

www.trac.org.tr

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Telstar 50th Anniversary Special Event July 10th only

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 01:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353333-Telstar-50th-Anniversary-Special-Event-July-10th-only&goto=newpost

On Tuesday July 10th from 11am ~ 5pm, the AT&T Middletown club will setup a special event station.

We will be operating with call-sign "W2NFA" from the site where the remnant background microwave

radiation from the □Big Bang□ was first detected.

This location was also the receive site for the first Television broadcast via satellite test.

http://www.tvhistory.btinternet.co.uk/html/telstar.html

When: Tuesday July 10th, 2012

Where: Crawford Hill - Holmdel NJ

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Be...rd_Hill_NJ.jpg

Time : 11:00am ~ 17:00pm EDT

Bands : 15, 20 and 40 meters.

SSB: 7.275 MHz, 14.275 MHz, 21.325 MHz

CW: 7.040 MHz, 14.040 MHz, 21.040 MHz

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKH-GijnAGk

A special anniversary certificate will be emailed back to all contacts.

QSL to:

AT&T

C/O Steve Wolkovitz □ W2DAD

AT&T Amateur Radio Club President

stevenw@att.com

1234. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 12 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-12 16:25:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934109d7d082b04c4a469ce@google.com>
Source record: 2501
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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You've heard of Quartzfest* but did you know we now have a monthly
Newsletter?

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 11:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353593-You-ve-heard-of-Quartzfest*-but-did-you-know-we-now-have-a-monthly-Newsletter&goto=newpost

Hey, have you seen our new Quartzfest* Newsletter yet? Quartzfest* has been
in existence since 1997 and I'm proud as Quartzfest's Organizer to announce
that this month, July 2012, we have a fully formatted and informational
newsletter that covers a variety of topics including an "Ask an Elmer"
column.

For those of you who haven't seen the July newsletter, drop by our
Quartzrfest* website www.quartzfest.org and at the top of the page,
click "newsletter". There are two versions, both .pdf files but one is
small (about 600kb) for easy and fast downloading, the other is larger
(1.10Mb) and higher quality in case you want to print the newsletter. While
on our website, feel free to browse the site and enjoy our pictures and
reports from past Quartzfest's.

My plan as of now is to have a Quartzfest* newsletter published each month
and it will be both posted on the website and sent to subscribers by email
on the 1st of each month.

If you want it our Quartzfest* Newsletter delivered to your email inbox
simply click subscribe on the website and enter the requested
information...it's painless and only takes a few seconds.

If you haven't already made plans to attend Quartzfest* along with me and
hundreds of other hams...INCLUDING FRED AA7BQ, QRZ.com founder and owner,
and Gordon West WB6NOA , put January 15th - 25th on your calendar NOW!!!

If you haven't registered on our Yahoo! groups yet, we have two of them.
Feel free to join both...

1. "Quartzfest_Wanderers"
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/quartz...guid=518264060 (for everyday use to
keep in contact with friends or discuss antennas, RV issues, etc.)

2. "Quartzfest" http://groups.yahoo.com/group/quartzfest/ (for
Quartzfest planning ONLY)

I hope you enjoy reading the newsletter and you're having a safe and fun filled summer.

Steve KO4QT

Quartzfest* Organizer

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Sheriff's colorado river station amateur radio association n6crs tests radios

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 08:56 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353578-Sheriff-s-colorado-river-station-amateur-radio-association-n6crs-tests-radios&goto=newpost

NEEDLES ☐ With 5,000 square miles of law enforcement and search and rescue responsibilities from the Nevada state line south about 70 miles to the Riverside County line and from the Colorado River east almost 90 miles, the San Bernardino County Sheriff☐s Department realized the need for a command post equipped with a variety of communication equipment able to communicate with allied law enforcement and public service agencies from remote locations.

Sheriff☐s deputies, search and rescue members, Needles Citizens on Patrol and professional staff from the department☐s Colorado River Station held emergency communications training from the CRS command post on June 23 at Jack Smith Park in Needles. Personnel tested their ability to set up the command post on a moment☐s notice and, under simulated emergency conditions using only emergency generator power, began communicating with other amateur radio operators nationwide as part of the annual American Radio Relay League Field Day event.

Click on the link for the full story:

http://www.thedesertstar.com/article...al/news883.txt

1235. The ARRL Letter for July 12, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 00:48:13 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120712201714.C950335B74E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2502
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Letter

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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==> + EXECUTIVE ORDER POSES NO THREAT TO THE AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE

On July 6, 2012, the White House released an Executive Order
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2012/07/06/executive-order-assign
ment-national-security-and-emergency-preparedness->
that addresses National Security and Emergency Preparedness (NS/EP)
communications functions of the federal government. Contrary to some
concerns raised in a few Amateur Radio circles, the Order does not
appear to contain any threat to the Amateur Service or its ability to
continue support communications during times of emergency or disaster.
It also poses no threat to amateur spectrum.

"The purpose of the new entity, which would be created by this Order within the Executive Branch, appears to be to plan for future NS/EP communications and to ensure survivability, hardness and interoperability, as well as to develop a long-term strategic plan for NS/EP communications," said ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND. "Based on the Amateur Service's ongoing, positive working relationship with officials at the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Emergency Communications, it is hard to envision that any new management plan would not include Amateur Radio. Nothing in this Order directly affects Amateur Radio's daily operations." A good summary of the content of the Order can be found here <http://www.federalnewsradio.com/519/2933910/Obama-assigns-new-responsibilities-for-keeping-government-connected-in-case-of-emergency>.

==> + LEGISLATIVE NEWS: STATE-LEVEL PRB-1 LAW NOW ON THE BOOKS IN ILLINOIS

Following in the footsteps of various other states, Illinois Governor Pat Quinn signed HB 1390 -- a state-level PRB-1 law -- on June 30, effective immediately. PRB-1 (as codified in Section 97.15(b)) was released by the FCC in 1985 and states that "[s]tate and local regulation of a station antenna structure must not preclude amateur service communications. Rather, it must reasonably accommodate such communications and must constitute the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish the state or local authority's legitimate purpose." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/state-level-prb-1-law-now-on-the-books-in-illinois>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: THREE HAMS SCHEDULED TO HEAD TO ISS THIS WEEKEND

NASA will televise the launch and docking of the next mission to the International Space Station (ISS), scheduled for 8:40 PM (CDT) Saturday, July 14 (0140 UTC Sunday, July 15). NASA Flight Engineer Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, along with Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, are completing preparations as they undergo their final Soyuz spacecraft fit. Live NASA TV coverage of the Soyuz TMA-05M spacecraft launch from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan begins at 8:30 PM CDT on Saturday, July 14 (0130 UTC July 15). Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/three-hams-scheduled-to-head-to-iss-this-weekend>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: ARRL TO HOST WEBINAR ON AMATEUR RADIO RESPONSE TO 2012 HURRICANE SEASON

The ARRL will host a webinar from 8-9:30 PM EDT Tuesday, July 17 (0000-0130 UTC Wednesday, July 18) to present information about the 2012 hurricane season and the Amateur Radio response. The program will offer presentations from representatives from the National Hurricane Center (NHC) and WX4NHC (the Amateur Radio station at the NHC), the VoIP Hurricane Net, the Hurricane Watch Net and the ARRL. Webinar registration is open to all, but this informative web session will be

of particular interest to those amateurs in hurricane-prone areas. If you are interested in emergency communications and hurricane preparedness and response, you are invited to attend this online presentation. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-to-host-webinar-on-amateur-radio-response-to-2012-hurricane-season>.

==> ON THE AIR: ADDITIONAL DIAMOND DXCC TOOLS AND REPORTS NOW AVAILABLE

Recently, the ARRL has been able to add some additional tools and reports to the Diamond DXCC system, including an online form that is similar to the Online DXCC application and a listing of operators who qualified for the basic award and how many entities they have credited. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/additional-diamond-dxcc-tools-and-reports-now-available>.

==> + QST: CHECK YOUR MAILBOX FOR THE AUGUST 2012 ISSUE OF QST

This cover of the August issue of QST spotlights the ARRL International Earth-Moon-Earth (EME) Contest. With the advent of very sensitive receiving preamplifiers and commercially available high-gain Yagi antennas, many VHF operators are enjoying successful weak signal contacts. With a total path length of about 500,000 miles, EME is the ultimate DX! So why not set aside a couple of hours and explore the August issue of QST.

Avid kit-builder and homebrewer Jim Veatch, WA2EUJ, is no stranger to the ARRL Hombrew Challenge. As the winner of the First Homebrew Challenge and the Second Homebrew Challenge (advanced category) <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-second-homebrew-challenge-and-the-winners-are>,
Veatch once again won the Homebrew Challenge III <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-homebrew-challenge-iii-and-the-winner-is> with his compact competent transceiver that covers 12 meters, as well as 10 and 6 in a professional looking package that offers features well beyond the requirements -- for a total parts cost of $198.30. This remarkable radio is a dual conversion, downconverting superhet design that uses the latest digital signal processing technology from the second IF on. Read about it -- and find out how to build it yourself -- in Veatch's article "The DSP-610 Transceiver."

If your rig is set up for sound card modes, you can run your radio from afar. In "Remote Control Made Easy," John Raydo, K0IZ, shows how to set up your station to operate via remote control. Operating this way, Raydo says, can help avoid antenna restrictions, as well as allow hams to operate while traveling and can even minimize local RFI problems. If Murphy has ever visited your antenna tuner, you will definitely want to read "My Tuner Tuned My Antenna -- But Now It Doesn't!" by QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR. Hallas shows ways to get your antenna tuner back to doing what it should -- tuning your antenna each and every time.

August 17, 2012 marks the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Radio Act of 1912. It was this piece of legislation that introduced the first rules for Amateur Radio and changed the way we, as radio amateurs, operate. Join ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA, as she looks at how Congress, in the wake of the RMS Titanic disaster, took swift action to try and tame the chaos of the airwaves. David Palmer, KB5WIA, made an overland trek to activate a rare grid square for satellite ops. In his article "Backpacking with Satellites," Palmer explains how he was able to work hams using AO-57, VO-52, AO-27, FO-29, AO-51 and SO-50 from CM-79, a grid square that has no roads, houses, electricity or trails.

ARRL Contributing Editor Phil Salas, AD5X, takes a look at the MFJ-994BRT and MFJ-998RT remote automatic antenna tuners in this month's Product Review. He says these antenna tuners "provide reasonably priced remote auto tuner solutions for stations with high power amplifiers." QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY, checked out the ICOM ID-31A 70 cm handheld transceiver with D-STAR, saying that it "may be the most user-friendly D-STAR transceiver available. It is also a high feature analog FM transceiver, includes a GPS receiver and works with a host of available options -- a very flexible and useful package."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the August QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is In, Short Takes, How's DX and more. Look for your August issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> QEX: THE JULY/AUGUST 2012 ISSUE

The July/August issue of QEX -- the ARRL's "Forum for Communications Experimenters" -- is coming soon, and it is full of theoretical and practical technical articles that you won't want to miss. Published bimonthly, QEX features technical articles, columns and other items of interest to radio amateurs and communications professionals. The mission of QEX is threefold: To provide a medium for the exchange of ideas and information among Amateur Radio experimenters; to document advanced technical work in the Amateur Radio field, and to support efforts to advance the state of the Amateur Radio art. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-qex-em-the-july-august-2012-issue>.

==> + W1AW: W1AW'S ECHOLINK AND IRLP NODES TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

Recent upgrades
<http://www.arrl.org/news/disruptions-possible-as-arrl-reconfigures-internet-services>
to the ARRL's Internet system has caused access to both the W1AW EchoLink Conference Server W1AWBDCT and W1AW's IRLP Node 4292 <http://www.arrl.org/echolink-irlp> to be temporarily suspended. Access to both W1AW systems can be expected by month's end. We apologize for the inconvenience.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Don't let the Sun catch you crying <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=49c7WeFTay0>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity rose moderately this week: the average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 3 points to 120.9, while the average daily solar flux rose more than 28 points to 166.8. There was quite a bit of geomagnetic activity -- the most happening on July 9 -- when the mid-latitude A index reached 29, planetary A index was 30 and Alaska's college A index was 60. The latest prediction shows quiet geomagnetic conditions with the planetary A index at 5 on July 12-26, then 20 on July 27-29, 10 on July 30-31, 15 on August 1-2, 10 on August 3-4, and 8 on August 5. The predicted solar flux is 160 on July 12-13, 155, 145, 140, 130, 120, and 115 on July 14-19, 105 on July 20-21, then rising to 165 on July 28-August 2. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, July 13. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Gerry and the Pacemakers' Don't Let the Sun Catch You Crying <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gerry_and_the_Pacemakers>.

==> + SILENT KEY: WALT MAXWELL, W2DU (SK)

M. Walter Maxwell, W2DU, died July 3 at his home in DeLand, Florida, of natural causes. He was 93. Maxwell was best known in the Amateur Radio realm for his ground-breaking series of articles, "Another Look at Reflections." Published in QST in seven parts from 1973-1976, the series explained in plain English concepts such as line loss, SWR, baluns and antenna tuners. The articles were later compiled into a book, Reflections: Transmission Lines and Antennas, which included additional material on matching networks, antennas and the Smith Chart. It was first published by the ARRL in 1990 and went through several editions. Later editions were published by CQ Communications. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/walt-maxwell-w2du-sk-wrote-reflections>.

==> TWO OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that two operations -- the 9X0PY (Rwanda) operation (December 24, 2011-January 7, 2012) and the S21YD (Bangladesh) operation (1994, 1995, 1998 and 1999) -- have been approved for DXCC credit. "If you have had these operations rejected in a recent application, please send an e-mail <bmoore@arrl.org> to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "When responding, please include the reference number on your credit slip (found in the upper right hand portion) to help expedite retrieval. Please note that due to heavy e-mail volume, you may not receive a reply. Once updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) accounts, as well as online in the daily listings <http://www.arrl.org/dxcc>."

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- July 14 -- FISTS Summer Sprint
- July 14-15 -- IARU HF World Championship
<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-iaru-hf-championship-heats-up-the-summer>
- July 15 -- CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush
- July 19 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- July 20 -- NCCC Sprint
- July 21 -- Russian Radio Team Championship; Feld Hell Sprint
- July 21-22 -- North American QSO Party (RTTY); DMC RTTY Contest; CQ
Worldwide VHF Contest
- July 22 -- RSGB Low Power Contest
- July 25 -- SKCC Sprint
- July 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-
international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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newsletter), Division and Section news alerts -- and much more!

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1236. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 255

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 01:22:11 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <CFFFF82271FA46DA9B298774B04A84A4@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 2503
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 255

13 July 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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· Finnish IARU HQ Station OH0HQ

· ARDF IARU Championships (Book)

Debby Says…Another fairly newsy issue of HQ Info Line. I confess the VHF Records vacancy may take up quite a bit of room, however the sooner we get volunteers coming forward the sooner I can stop including in this issue.

Council are urgently seeking a suitable person to fill this important position.

Council elections are looming again, and I urge you all to consider standing for your region. The Returning Officer will place a call for nominations in the August issue of Break In, so let your branch know that you are available so they can nominate you.

Lastly for this issue….Headquarters will be closed from Friday 13th to Wednesday 25th July. Please contact your area Councillor if you have any urgent enquiries.

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Infoline Delivery

As noted in the last infoline, this issue we have implemented a change in the email delivery of infoline. Those who previously received their infoline as an MS Word attachment will received this as the text of an email message.

There are always possibilities of errors, so if you get two copies of this issue, please drop us a note back and we will tidy up the list. Please check the email address each was sent to though, you may be listed under two different addresses.

You can always look up old issues of Infoline on the NZART web page at http://www.nzart.org..nz/h-quarter/infoline/

Alan ZL1AMW - Webmaster

Call Book & Branch Information

The Callbook Editor would appreciate all branches who have updated their data for Callbook to check their details on the website and advise him of errors.

Can the following Branches please advise either Debby or the Callbook Editor of any changes or if the existing details are still correct:
6,20,23,24,30,35,41,46,51,61,66,70,74,78,80,87.
Let's see if we can make this Callbook the most up to date ever!

Your assistance is much valued.
Lorne Douglas ZL2AHB
Callbook Editor

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DX’Pedition to Campbell Island

The team at the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia are pleased to announce that the landing permit for the ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island has been issued by the New Zealand Department of Conservation.

The DX'Pedition will take place between the 28th. of November and the 9th. of December.
An international team is being assembled for this event on the sub-Antartic Campbell Island.
This will be the biggest DX'Pedition by an Australian club in 25 years and the biggest one in 2012 worldwide.
For all information please go to the DX'Pedition website at ZL9HR.com.

73 From ED VK2ARE, Australian Publicity Officier for ZL9HR and member of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia.

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FMTAG NOTES

CALL BOOK 2012/2013 BEACON, LINK AND REPEATER LISTINGS

At the beginning of June, FMTAG sent an email to all Branches (and NZART-affiliated groups), requesting that they check their Beacon, Link, Repeater (and their Trustees) listings for the 2012/2013 Call Book, and to reply to FMTAG.

Please contact FMTAG if the Branch has not received the email:
fmtag@nzart.org.nz

As at the time of writing (Thursday the 12th of July) FMTAG has not received information from the following Branches:

12 Hamilton 20 Manawatu
27 New Plymouth

33 Rotorua 34 South Canterbury

37 Southland 38 Taumarunui
48 Wanganui

49 Westland 51 Eastern Bay of Plenty 55
Waitomo

56 Christchurch West 66 Auckland VHF 78 Far
North

85 Mercury Bay 86 Musick Point 87
South Taranaki

The close-off for returns is the 31st of July. After that date, blank spaces will appear in Call Book.

Please help ensure that this Call Book is the most accurate ever.

PROPOSALS

Branch 30 Otago has applied to relocate its 830 repeater to Halfway Bush Road, located at TOPO50 CE17 010.08 178.44. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the repeater can remain on 438.300 MHz.

Branch 30 Otago has applied to relocate its 625 link station to Halfway Bush Road, located at TOPO50 CE17 010.08 178.44. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the link transmit frequency can remain on 146.250 MHz and its receive frequency on 146.850 MHz.

Branch 30 Otago has applied for a power increase of its 665 repeater at Highcliff, located at TOPO50 CE17 132.79 162.56. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the repeater transmit frequency can remain on 146.650 MHz and its receive frequency on 146.050 MHz.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO NZART COUNCIL

This item was published in HQ Infoline 254. No adverse comments have been received.

Branch 18 Hutt Valley has applied for a power increase of its 700 repeater at Fitzherbert, located at TOPO50 BQ32 643.78 350.86. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the repeater transmit frequency can

remain on 147.000 MHz and its receive frequency on 146.400 MHz.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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NZART Officer Vacancy – NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator

NZART Council is calling for expressions of interest from NZART members for the following Officer Vacancy

The VHF/UHF Records Coordinator is responsible to NZART Council for the coordination, maintenance and promotion of the New Zealand VHF/UHF/SHF records.

Description of the position

a.. NZART is a body that promotes Amateur Radio within New Zealand.
b.. The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator is appointed by NZART Council to coordinate and to promote, the keeping of accurate records pertaining to performance of VHF/UHF/SHF activities and operating by NZ amateurs.
c.. The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator reports to NZART Council through an appointed Liaison Councillor.
d.. Although referred to by VHF/UHF/SHF, the task may extend to other bands.

Duties of the position

To maintain, review and update when necessary, the established:

a.. VHF/UHF/SHF Records Lists,
b.. the VHF/UHF/SHF Record Claim Rules, and
c.. the Record Claim Form.

To receive completed Record Claim Forms submitted by radio amateurs, appropriately process to verify by making whatever enquiries may be necessary, and make the concluding decision to accept or to reject the claim

a.. To amend the Records lists as appropriate.
b.. To promote active operating for records achievement among New Zealand amateurs.
c.. To arrange for presentation trophies and certificates relating to

Records.
d.. To appoint assistants as necessary.
e.. To provide advice and guidance on Records issues.
f.. To liaise with overseas radio amateurs and other amateur societies on Records matters.
g.. To write occasional entries for Break-In about Records.
h.. At time of dispute, to refer incidents involving Records Claims and the Rules to NZART Council.

Work Experience

The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator will be expected to demonstrate competent performance in:

a.. Maintaining accurate and detailed records.
b.. Good written language skills for communication with members, overseas societies, and articles for publication.
c.. The accurate measurement of distances and global positions, recognise and understand the errors possible in GPS reports, in the selection of map series and in grid references.
d.. A good working knowledge of all the measurement and technical terms listed on the Claim Form.

Personal Skills

The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator will require:

a.. Good person skills.
b.. An understanding of the requirements and issues involved in Amateur Radio hill-top activity including possible interference to other radio services.
c.. A good knowledge of Amateur Radio and the aims of IARU and NZART.
d.. Competency in spread sheet and word processor applications and with any specialised software appropriate to the position.

Applicants for this role can be located anywhere in New Zealand. The ideal person for this role would have experience in the area of VHF/UHF/SHF operating and/or contesting.

Officer Positions are voluntary; however operating expenses will be refunded as per the NZART Policy on Officers Expenses.

Applications for this position will be accepted from interested persons in writing with supporting documentation through the General Secretary, NZART, PO Box 40525, Upper Hutt 5140.

This advertisement is authorised by NZART Council.

JUNE 2012

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OH0HQ - FINNISH IARU HQ STATION FROM ALAND ISLANDSIn a departure from the traditional HQ pattern in Finland, the Finnish Amateur Radio League (

SRAL), Contest Club Finland (CCF) and Radio Sporting Team (OH0Z) are organizing the activation of HQ station from the western Aland Islands at the OH0Z contest site (JP90xi). The team will put a minimum of five (5) stations on the air, challenging the midnight sun of the Finnish Summer which never sets. Now you have an excellent opportunity to work The Finnish HQ station from Aland Island (IOTA-002). The operator roster per today: Bob/K3EST (guest) together with Juha/OH1JT, Tomi/OH6EI, Martti/OH2BH, Pekka/OH2TA, Kari/OH2XX, Juha/OH6XX, Harry/OH6VM and Timo/OG9X. QSL cards via bureau or SRAL, P.O. Box 44, 00441, Helsinki, Finland In the same IARU HF World Championship Contest Toni/OH2UA and Kim/OH6KZP will be running multi-single as OH0X from Brando, eastern Aland Islands. QSL via OH2TA. 73sJouko OH1RXvice chairmanContest Club FinlandARDF IARU Championships book

Dear OM’s, YL’s and XYL’s

In recent months I have many of you approached with a request to send me information about the ARDF championships organized between 1961 (Sweden) and 2012 (Serbia). Over time much has been changed in the structure of these championships, the rules and the equipment. etc.

Jan Hoek - PA0JNH, is an active fox hunter since the mid 60s.Mid last year he started collecting information on these IARU ARDF Championships. These included reports with photographs of the championships. Furthermore, the maps used, participant numbers, medals, badges, results lists and everything else that has to do with the championships.

The data were found, among others, in my archive (participant since 2001 in France), the club magazines of DARC and VERON, websites and from anyone who was willing to look into his or her own archive to discover what old data could be brought back to the surface.

I contacted via mail and Internet most members of the IARU ARDF Working Group and a number of amateurs who have participated in past competitions. In any case, in so far as they could be reached.

Ultimately, a large amount of information has been collected. All this is brought together in a book that will soon appear.

It has the title: IARU ARDF - European - Region 1 - World Championships in general and the Dutch participation

The book is printed in full colour and has approximately 250 pages and is A4 size.

It is self-published, in cooperating with the Fox-hunting Committee of VERON, in one limited edition. There will be both a Dutch and an English version. These are completely identical in terms of the content and size of the book.

The book consists of three parts.

The first part deals with the development of the rules, the types ARDF competitions, the (registration) equipment, the organization of the championships and the state of affairs during a championship.

The second part contains each individual championship with an overview of what has happened with the accompanying photographs and any other details.

Finally, an overview of the Dutch participants, the numbers of participants and the participating societies, a summary of all the championships containing the Dutch results, a total overview of all the numbers 1, 2 and 3 individually and in the teams. Furthermore, some more statistical information and pictures of the participants who individually have won a medal 10 times or more.

In late August (ARDF competition in Bad Bentheim) the book will be available for the first time.

The selling price is set at Euro 27.50.

Who wants a copy can now have a reservation, than he/she is sure of a copy. This is best done via an email to PA0JNH: pa0jnh@kpnmail.nl.

The aim is to to distribute the books as much as possible via ARDF or other fox hunts meetings at which PA0JNH is present in our country or in Belgium / Germany. The books will be present at the 16th ARDF World Championships in September in Serbia. Of course someone else can take one or more books (after payment) for you from there. For those who want to receive the book by postal service, there will be additional costs for packaging and shipping.

These costs are (per book):

Europe (CEPT-countries): Euro 12.00 (registered mail)

Outside Europe (non-CEPT countries): Euro 18.00 (registered mail)

Payment can be made in cash at the event or through an international payment (in advance) through a bank via IBAN (International Bank Account Number). The details are provided upon request via email. Outside Europe, the transfer fees are to be paid by the applicant. You can specify in your email how many books and which version(s) (English or Dutch) you want. Please also indicate in your email how you want to get the book(s). By post or at the Championships in Serbia.

Finally, many thanks to all who helped in collecting the data.

I hope to meet you in September in Serbia.

73,

Jan Hoek, PA0JNH

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Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Sept 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as

separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Sept 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 29th July 2012. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 27th July 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 26th July 2012

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If you wish to be removed from this list, please visit:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

1237. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 12 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 02:06:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044787ffbdf7a404c4ac88c9@google.com>
Source record: 2504
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Move over Raspberry Pi, give kids a Radio Ham Pi - minister - Register

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 08:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF7QsclH0496MPZo42j22KFTIbrrg&url=http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/07/12/national_radio_centre_cheap_radio_kit/

Move over Raspberry Pi, give kids a Radio Ham Pi - minister
Register
"It would be great to get amateur radio kits in schools like we have with the Raspberry Pi," he added, referring to the cheap PC thats sneaking into classrooms to promote computer science to youngsters. The Tory MP spoke at the opening of the Radio ...

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Amateur radio license exams - Port St. Joe Star

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 07:34 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGUAMtV6ySYnREUCExwPB2vRtwQcQ&url=http://www.starfl.com/news/license-25150-radio-amateur.html

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Amateur radio license exams | license, radio, amateur, ham, exams, port, eoc, sponsoring, assistance, present.

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Benicia to test sirens Friday, residents asked not to call 911 when they go off - Vallejo Times-Herald

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 01:27 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNERK1InycrsyZz4cFNOvHMMDvHzxA&url=http://www.timesheraldonline.com/news/ci_21058343/benicia-test-sirens-friday-residents-asked-not-call

Benicia to test sirens Friday, residents asked not to call 911 when they go off
Vallejo Times-Herald
The Benicia Amateur Radio Club (BARC), a volunteer group of HAM radio operators focused on disaster preparedness and communication, will also assist in communicating about the test through its network. Residents are strongly advised to not call 911 to ...

and more

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Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny Doon - San Jose Mercury News

Posted: 23 Jun 2012 06:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGBIyhqZ0iGIiP-fTwFaB4jUMM3rA&url=http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_20925126/radio-heads-have-field-day-competing-airwaves-bonny

Radio heads have a field day competing for the airwaves in Bonny Doon
San Jose Mercury News
"In a disaster, it really comes into play." Amateur radio, also called ham radio, is the use of designated radio frequency spectrum for private recreation or emergency communication. Business use is banned. Charcho said amateur radio has played an ...

and more

1238. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1822 - July 13 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120713090003.9D88E33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2505
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1822 - July 13 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1822 with a release date of July 13, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams continue to provide assistance as wildfires rage in the great American West; the FCC to investigate telephone failures after the big windstorm of Friday, June 29th; Illinois hams get PRB One like protection for towers and antennas and the story of a 9 year old in South Carolina who learns first hand about ham radio on a television program that he hosts. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1822 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS CONTINUE WILDFIRE RESPONSE

Wind-fanned wildfires are proving stubborn, but firefighters are beginning to gain ground in their fight against the numerous stubborn blazes dotting the United States West. One of the worst hit is Colorado. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, who grew up there and knows the area well has the latest:

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In Colorado, one of the hardest hit states, the ARRL reported that since June 9 when the first of the wildfires began, hams have been assisting with disaster communications. This, by providing communications support to the State and to several served agencies.

Shortly after the High Park fire broke out, radio amateurs in Estes Park and Fort Collins were called upon to help provide communications support to the American Red Cross. Hams set up a crossband repeater to provide communications from Red Cross Headquarters in Estes Park to their facilities at the fire base, as well as to an evacuation center at a local high school.

On June 26th, ARRL Colorado Section Manager Jack Ciaccia, WM0G, and Boulder County Emergency Coordinator Allen Bishop, K0ARK, were returning from the High Park Fire when they were notified that Boulder County Office of Emergency Management had activated ARES for the Flagstaff Fire. A lightning strike had hit just west of Boulder, caused a 20 acre fire that due to high winds had become a 230 acre

blaze in only 30 minutes. .

According to Ciaccia, the Boulder Office of Emergency Management wanted ARES positions manned at the Emergency Operations Center. They also wanted to send additional operators to video positions and set up packet and voice communications at a local school that would serve as the evacuation center. Ciaccia said that within one hour, ATV equipped hams had a video camera set up, while other hams at the evacuation center team had set up packet communications, providing data and video, as well as 2 meter FM voice communications. Other portable video positions were fully operational by the end of two hours.

According to Ciaccia, the live video feeds were displayed on huge video screens at the Emergency Operations Center. This permitted the entire emergency staff to see heli-tankers and US Forest Service bomber aircraft making fire retardant drops. They could also see the fire live from the backside, which was not otherwise visible without our portable ATV teams live video feeds.

When the Type I federal fire teams showed up to determine whether the fire would escalate to their level, they noticed the live video feeds at the EOC and made special trips to the ham radio field video sites. Until then there were apparently unaware that a television resource was available that could be used for their purposes and were quite pleased at that capability. The federal officials wanted the A-T-V to continue operations if the fire escalated to a Type I. Thankfully, this fire never grew beyond 300 acres and it remained at a Type II level.

The served agencies in this response included the Boulder County Sheriff's Office and their Office of Emergency Management. Both were extremely pleased that the ham radio community responded so fast and so well.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Meantime, hams were also active in assisting firefighters at the Waldo Canyon Fire. Amateur Radio Newslines Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with that part of the story:

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According to Amanda Alden, K1DNN, of Canon City, Colorado, her group was contacted by the Amateur Radio Emergency Service and told that the situation for communications due to the Waldo Canyon blaze was looking grim. Alden, along with Canon City residents Jeff Carrier, K0JSC and Phil Ott, WA0NLK along with Pueblo West resident Neal Tew, KD0NBL, immediately responded. Most of their assignment was the handling of health and welfare communications for a shelter at Summit.

At that point, Jeff Reynolds and Chaz Carmichael, W4CHZ, arrived to help at the Cripple Creek shelter. Here the ham radio operators stayed

around the clock, helped make food, ate with the evacuees and slept on cots while providing various forms of communications. The hams stayed on site until evacuations began lifting.

Amanda Alden is best known as a contributor to the Ham Nation video podcast on TWiT-TV. She was quoted as saying that the hams are proud of how quickly we came together and kept the emergency lines open for the real heroes and victims of the Waldo Canyon Fire.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in Los Angeles.

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Elsewhere across the West, firefighters are making slow progress in Utah, Wyoming and Montana. A wildfire that had burned more than 390 squares miles in southeastern Montana was reported to now be 90 percent contained. A separate fire in the same region of the state near Fort Howes, was 65 percent contained after blackening nearly 97 square miles. We will have more on ham radio involvement in these wildfire emergencies in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (Denver Post, ARRL, other sources)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC TO INVESTIGATE PHONE FAILURES AFTER JUNE 29 STORM

The Federal Communications Commission is looking into the damage that a massive wind storm caused to wireless and landline phone networks in the mid-Atlantic U-S-A. Amateur Radio Newslines Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with more:

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The storm took place on Friday, June 29th. It swept from the Midwest into the Northeast with the mid-Atlantic states including Virginia and West Virginia taking the worst pounding.

David Turetsky, is the Chief of the FCC's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. In an e-mailed statement he said that his agency plans to meet with a number of carriers in the coming weeks to explore the cause of service issues to 911 service centers and the overall lessons learned. Truetsky continued by saying that these and other issues will be taken under advisement to ensure that the public receives the best communications service possible and is able to communicate effectively and in a way that safeguards public safety in these situations.

FCC spokesperson Lauren Kravetz said the commission is still investigating the problems with emergency calls, but that 911 operators might have been unable to identify a caller's number and location. She said it is unclear how many people were unable to make an emergency call at all.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Heateher Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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According to The Washington Post, many 911 callers in the region heard silence, busy signals or recorded messages saying the line was inoperative. Meantime, here in West Virginia, so far there have not been any reports reaching us concerning ham radio related severe weather watch or post storm amateur radio emergency communications efforts. (The Hill)

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RESCUE RADIO: ARRL TO HOST HURRICANE RESPONSE WEBINAR

Still with emergency communications matters, word that the ARRL will host a webinar from 8 9:30 PM Eastern Daylight Time on Tuesday, July 17th. This, to present information about the 2012 hurricane season and the Amateur Radio response.

The program will offer presentations from representatives from the National Hurricane Center and WX4NHC which is the Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center. Also on the agenda are presentations by the VoIP Hurricane Net, the Hurricane Watch Net and the ARRL.

Webinar registration is open to all, but this informative web session will be of particular interest to those amateurs living in hurricane-prone areas.

If you are interested in emergency communications and hurricane preparedness and response, you are invited to attend this online presentation. To register for this webinar, please go to tinyurl.com/ham-hurricane-webinar and fill out the required registration form. (ARRL)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KJ3LR repeater serving Bradenton, Florida.

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RADIO LAW: ILLINOIS GOVERNOR SIGNS MEASURE PROTECTING HAM RADIO ANTENNA RIGHTS

Some good news for hams in Illinois. That state now has its own PRB One-like law to protect the antenna rights of radio amateurs. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the rest of the story:

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Illinois Governor Pat Quinn has signed Illinois House Bill 1390 into law. This despite unfounded fears on the part of some of the states radio amateurs as widely posted to the Internet. Fears that home owners associations and real estate groups would try to derail the measure. It turned out that these fears were totally groundless.

With Governor Quinn's signature affixed, the Illinois Municipal Code was amended by adding Section 11-13-1.5. Paraphrased, it basically reads as follows:

With regard to Amateur radio communications and antenna regulations, and not withstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no ordinance or resolution may be adopted or enforced by a municipality that affects the placement, screening, or height of antennas or antenna support structures that are used for amateur radio communications. Also, a municipality may not regulate the antennas or antenna support structures that are used for amateur radio communications in a manner inconsistent with this Section.

It should be noted that Illinois House Bill 1390 does not supersede such things as deed restrictions, Covenants, Conditions Restrictions and homeowners association rules that forbid the installation of outdoor antennas. These are considered to be personal and binding business contracts and therefore not subject to override by the new PRB One-like law.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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According to several knowledgeable sources in Illinois, it took less than 3 months to gain House approval, 20 days for Senate approval, and 38 days before Governor Quinn signed the new measure into law. (Various)

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COMMUNICATIONS HAPPENING: THE GREAT INTERNET BLACKOUT A WHIMPER

The over-hyped Great Internet Blackout of 2012 came and went with little more than a whimper on Monday, July 9th. This, as the so-called "Doomsday" deadline passed with few reports of service outages.

At 12:01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time the FBI shut down temporary servers it had set up to handle Web traffic for thousands of computers infected with a virus spread by a ring of cyber criminals that the bureau busted last year. Those using the estimated 200,000 computers still infected with the virus were expected to lose their Internet connectivity after the servers were taken off line.

But like the Y-2-K fears some 12 years ago, this latest loss of service simply failed to materialize. According to the FBI, 41,800 of the 211,000 worldwide computers infected with the virus were in the United States, but U.S. Internet providers reported far fewer victims.

(Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: KJ6CEY ARRESTED FOR ALLEGEDLY POINTING LASER AT FIRE ENGINE

Thirty-one year old Irene Levy, KJ6CEY, of San Jacinto, California, is in trouble with the law once again. This time after allegedly pointing a laser at a firefighter behind the wheel of a fire engine.

At around 3:45 a.m. on June 30th, officers from the San Jacinto Police Department responded to a call to assist CalFire. When officers arrived, the fire personnel claimed that Levy had shined a laser light at the driver of their engine while they were driving on East Main Street. Also that she had shined the laser at their driver several times earlier in the evening as well.

Levy was taken into custody and booked into the Larry Smith Correctional Facility charged with pointing a laser at a moving vehicle and violating the terms of her probation. At last report she was being held in lieu of $25,000 bail.

You may recall back in May of 2010 when Levy used an amateur radio station to interfere with an emergency response dispatcher. In that case Levy was found guilty of jamming emergency radio frequencies by broadcasting threats. As part of her probation, she was ordered to complete a mental health program and stay out of trouble. (Riverside.com)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ISSUES NOTICE OF UNAUTHORIZED OPERATION TO FALLBROOK CA RESIDENT

The Federal Communications Commission has issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to a Southern California, resident for operating an unlicensed transmitter on 106.1 MHz.

According to the FCC Notice, the agency received information that an unlicensed broadcast radio station on 106.1 MHz was allegedly operating in the city of Fallbrook, just North of San Diego. On May 22nd, agents from the San Diego FCC office confirmed by direction finding that the signal on 106.1 MHz was emanating from a residence in Fallbrook's Gird valley area that reportedly belonged to one Lewis A. Parks.

Bob Gonsett, W6VR, is involved with the Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club and works in the broadcast engineering field. He was quoted in the Fallbrook Village News that the station in question was relatively low powered, yet still strong enough that it could be heard for about a mile radius. The unlicensed transmission was picked up by a listener who ordinarily receives KPLM on 106.1 MHz. FCC records show that no license is issued for operation of a broadcast station at this location on 106.1 MHz in Fallbrook.

In the Notice of Unlicensed Operation, Parks was warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the federal laws. As such it could subject the operator of such a transmitter could be subject to severe penalties. These include but are not limited to substantial monetary forfeitures, seizure of the offending radio equipment, along with criminal sanctions including imprisonment. More on this story is on-line at tinyurl.com/unlicensed-fallbrook-station. (W6VR, Fallbrook Village News)

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ENFORCEMENT: YET ANOTHER UNLICENSED FLORIDA BROADCASTER FACES A PROPOSED $15000 FINE

The FCC proposed a $15,000 fine against Luis Ernesto Rivas Jr. for operating an unlicensed station in Miami. Earlier this year agents from the Miami office of the Enforcement Bureau traced the source of RF transmissions on 89.1 MHz to an antenna on a roof in Miami. While monitoring the station, they heard a reference to "The Streets FM."

According to the commission's account of the incident, the agents went to the building roof with the building owner and saw radio transmission gear, including an FM transmitter connected to a transmitting antenna and a laptop computer. The computers screen displayed a Facebook webpage stating 'Underground Station In Miami @ USTREAM: Go To Our Website www.thestreetsfm.com ...On 89.1 Miami #1 Underground Station."

The agents found a Web page for the station at www.thestreetsfm.com and matched a photo of Rivas from the site with one from the Florida Department of Motor Vehicles.

Now, in issuing the Notice of Apparent Liability, the FCC says that all of the facts point to Rivas as being responsible for operating the illegal station. It also noted that it had Rivas operated another illegal station in Florida in 2007. That garnered him an extra $5,000 penalty, making the total fine $15,000.

Rivas has the customary 30 days from the date that he was notified of the proposed fine to pay it or to file an appeal. (FCC, RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NEW VIDEO FROM MCLEAN FAHNESTOCK SHOWS ALL SHUTTLE LAUNCHES

Some names in the news. First up is McLean Fahnestock who has produced a High Definition video showing all 135 space shuttle launches. The engrossing video runs just under 4 minutes and can be viewed on-line at www.mcleanfahnestock.com/images.html (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: LASER LIGHT DEMO VIDEO BY DH5YM

An interesting albeit short laser light communications video has been made available for on-line viewing by Mario Roessler, DH5YM. In it, you can see the green Laser of DK5WMA and hear the demodulated telegraphy signal. The fading by humid air is clearly visible and audible. The distance was about 48km. The video is on-line at tinyurl.com/green-laser-light (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: INFORMATION ON EARLY 1900'S RADIO EVENTS NEEDED

Leland Francois, KI6AWN, of Oakland, California says that he is looking for what he terms as senior radio operators who could possibly help share some insight on two events. First is the Congressional Radio Communications Act of 1934 while the other is in regard to the historic signing of the United Nations Charter that took place in San Francisco during the summer of 1945. This latter event involved may amateur radio operators and was coordinated by the early Oakland Radio Club under the call sign W6OT. If you have any information on either of these two events please contact Leland Francois by e-mail to ki6awn (at) aol (dot) com. (KI6AWN)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: INVENTOR LEONARD KAHN EX- WB2SSP -S.K.

Communications inventor Leonard R. Kahn, the former WB2SSP, passed away on June 3rd in Florida.

Kahn is likely best remembered for his development of the Kahn-Hazeltine AM Stereo system that used independently modulated upper and lower sidebands. He was also the inventor of the CAM-D AM digital system. Kahn's AM stereo design was later revamped for monaural use and used in the Power-Side system, in which a decreased signal in one sideband is used to improve coverage and loudness. Power-Side became the basis for CAM-D, Compatible AM Digital, a digital system that is still used on several AM stations.

Leonard Kahn worked for RCA Labs for many years and turned out over 80 domestic and 100 foreign patents. As such, he is considered one of the five "fathers of the wireless industry." (Published reports)

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: VHF PIONEER LARRY HOGUE, W6OMF-SK

And sadly we also bid farewell to Larry Hogue, W6OMF, who passed away undergoing open heart surgery on June 29th.

W6OMF was the long time Net Control Operator for the Northern California Sidewinders On Two Sunday night net and was one of the leading spokesmen for VHF DX on the West Coast. He was considered by many as being the driving force behind Sidewinders on Two's presence on the West Coast and the Sunday night net had check-ins from Oregon in the North to Los Angeles in the South. (WB6AEA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAM IN SPACE SESSION IN KANSAS CITY

This note for amateur radio operators near Kansas City, Missouri. On July 20th, the Hams in Space Team will be presenting a satellite lecture at the University of Missouri, Kansas City's Communiversity. The Communiversity is the University's Community Education Program available to anyone from the area who wishes to attend.

According to Randy Schulze, KD0HKD, the group is preparing a seminar to be enjoyed not only by licensed radio amateurs but also to members of the general public. This as a means of providing information about one of the fun and amazing things that can be done within the hobby.

If you plan to attend, please register early. All necessary information is on-line at www.umkc.edu/commu. (ANS)

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WORLDBEAT: WARRINGTON ARC GRANTED GB2012MV FOR OLYMPIC GAMES

The United Kingdom's Warrington Amateur Radio Club have been granted a license to cover both the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic games. In a collaborative effort with West Manchester Radio Club and South Manchester Radio and Computing Club, the Warrington group has been assigned the special call sign GB2012MV for the event at Old Trafford, home of Manchester United soccer team. This is one of the venues for the Olympic football tournament. The decision by telecommunications regulator Ofcom means that GB2012MV will be one of only four stations nationwide to be permitted to officially commemorate the Olympic games. The club will begin transmissions on Wednesday, July 25, the start of the Olympic football tournament and end on September 9, which will be the closing ceremony of the Paralympics. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: GB2VET FROM JULY 27 TO 29

Also, U-K special event station GB2VET, celebrating the army, navy and air force reunion's 10 anniversary will be operational July 27th to the 29th from East Park in the city of Hull. Plans are to operate all available bands using both World War 2 and modern gear. Modes will include D-Star on VHF and UHF. There will also be a display of vintage equipment as well. (2E0BRQ)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE APOLLO MOON MISSIONS

The Italian Radio Association known as the ARI have announced sponsorship of a special award to commemorate the Apollo Space Program. This specific for contacts made before July 31st this month. To qualify for the award you need to have confirmed contacts with the ARI Headquarters Station IQ1TW and three other stations. More information is on-line at aritortona.xoom.it. (Press release)

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ON THE AIR: EIFFEL TOWER ON THE HAM BANDS

F5SKW and several other French radio amateurs will be on the air 24 hours a day through July 15th as TM70TRS or TM70TE from the 3rd floor of the Eiffel Tower, in Paris. This activity is to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the French Army Signal Corps. The operation will use CW, SSB and RTTY, and on the HF and VHF bands. A special QSL card will be available. QSL via the F6KHX Amateur Radio Club or F5OGL, direct or by the REF QSL Bureau.

This operation also brings to mind a question we frequently get asked by listeners here in the United States. That being, are there any ham radio repeaters operating from the Eiffel Tower? If you know the answer, please drop us an e-mail with repeater call signs and operating frequencies to newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. (OPDX)

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DXCC: SIX OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT

Bill Moore, NC1L, the ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that several operations have been approved for DXCC credit. These include the 2012 operations as 3C0E operation from Annobon; 3C6A from Equatorial Guinea, 5X1RO from Uganda and XW4XR from Laos. Also approved are the 2011 J25DXA and 2010 J28RO operations from Djibouti. If you've had any of these operations rejected in a recent DXCC submission please send an E-mail to bmoore (at) arrl (dot) org to be put on the list for an update. (ARRL DXCC)

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DX

In DX, word that the long awaited St. Paul Island CY9M operation will take to the airwaves from July 26th to August 1st. This as an international team will put this rare island, located approximately 14 miles northeast of the northern tip of Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, Canada, on the air. No word yet on bands or modes. QSL via M0URX.

The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia is organizing a DXpedition to Campbell Island from November 28th through December 9th. Campbell Island whose prefix is Zed-L-9 is number 15 on the current

DXCC most wanted list. You can follow the planning for this one at www.zl9hr.com.

A group of operators from Switzerland known as the Radio 7 Team will be active from Rodrigues Island as 3B9SP from between October 16th and the 23rd. Most operation will be on CW and SSB with some RTTY and PSK 31. Bands mentioned are all of the HF frequencies plus 6 meters. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World within 6 months after the operation concludes. QSL via HB9ACA.

The World-Wide DX Group will be on Conway Reef from September 24th to October 5th. Their announced goal is to provide as many DXers as possible with this rare DXCC entity. The group says that it will target European contacts during those periods when propagation is possible and we will ask Japan and North America to stand buy during those brief periods when the bands are open to Europe. The World-Wide DX Group is the same group which brought you the 3D2C Rotuma Island Dxpedition in September, 2011.

Lastly, the Araucaria DX Group, in conjunction with the TX3A Team, will sponsor a DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks, in the late November to mid December time frame. The actual dates will depend on weather conditions. The operation will have a strong low band focus. There will be a dedicated 160 meter station operating from sunset to sunrise. A second station will be on 80 and 40 meters at night as well. During the day we will operate two stations on the higher bands including 6 meters based on conditions. RTTY will also be supported. More on this planned operation is on-line at www.pt0s.com.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: MEET COLBY AND VISIT HIS CORNER

And finally this week the story of an inquisitive pre-teen who has his first experience with ham radio with a television camera watching and recording the event. The young mans name is Colby, he's 9 years old, and he is the star of a new children's television series called Colby's Corner that recently began airing on Christian Television Network station WLCN in Summerville, South Carolina. .

The theme of the show is very simple. Its Colby learning about various aspects of life by experience as would any other youngster. Only Colby is sharing his encounters with the kids who watch on WLCN. And one of his recent trips took him to a ham radio station operated by Vince Lombardo, K4AOC.

For those of you who are out of the coverage of WLCN but would like to watch Colby learn about ham radio from a real pro, that episode and all of the others can be seen on line on YouTube. A direct link to the one we have been describing is tinyurl.com/colbys-ham-radio. The show also has a website at www.colbyscornertv.com. (NN4F, QRZ.com)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News Twit-TV, and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1239. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 13 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 11:08:51 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3074d5f85b72fb04c4b41ae2@google.com>
Source record: 2506
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Three Radio Hams scheduled to head to ISS this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wAo0QdendqQ/three_radio_hams_scheduled_to_head_to_iss_this_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA will televise the launch and docking of the next mission to the
International Space Station (ISS), scheduled for 8:40 PM (CDT) Saturday,
July 14 (0140 UTC, Sunday, July 15)

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Executive Order poses no threat to the Amateur Radio service

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8CmWqCICenY/executive_order_poses_no_threat_to_the_amateur_radio_service.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Contrary to some concerns raised in a few Amateur Radio circles, the Order
does not appear to contain any threat to the Amateur Service or its ability
to continue support communications during times of emergency or disaster.
It also poses no threat to amateur spectrum

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ARSI on-the-air for IARU HF Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HXg5rRr4wCc/arsi_on_the_air_for_iaru_hf_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AT1HQ will be the HQ call of ARSI (Amateur Radio Society of India) for the
IARU HF Contest 2012 this weekend on all bands - July 14th 1200 UTC (5.30
PM IST) to July 15th 1200 UTC (5.30 PM IST)

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AMSAT-UK Membership

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Vl3niFezDLw/amsat_uk_membership.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There has never been a more exciting time for you to join one of the UK’s
largest group of people who have an interest in Amateur radio
satellites/space activities from all around the world

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Milestone reached by ILLW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/b8S-vEnzz0A/milestone_reached_by_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Saint Tudwal's Lighthouse in North Wales is the 300th entry in next month's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

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Sun unleashes X-Flare

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ttZe0gXfdzY/sun_unleashes_x_flare.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Space Weather reports that sunspot AR1520 unleashed an X1.4-class solar flare on July 12 at 1653 UT

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Amateur Radio interview on Phoenix FM Drivetime show

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WGXLJZlzN-g/amateur_radio_interview_on_phoenix_fm_drivetime_show.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Always keen to promote Amateur Radio in Essex, Pete M0PSX from Essex Ham was given the opportunity to join presenter Scott Ross on Phoenix FM in Brentwood to discuss the hobby

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Ofcom consultation on 143-156 MHz spectrum release

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UdpvdFOc2a0/ofcom_consultation_on_143_156_mhz_spectrum_release.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom is seeking views on the potential uses of newly available spectrum in the VHF frequency band

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50MHz allowed in HS during CQ WW VHF Contest!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AkfovyFfDI0/50mhz_allowed_in_hs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The National Telecommunication and Broadcasting Company (NTBC) in Thailand has permitted to work on 50MHz during the 2 days of CQ WW VHF Contest!

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu

rner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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GB3WGI transatlantic beacon update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-e1UMNUyO4g/gb3wgi_transatlantic_beacon_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over in the US, Brian, WA1ZMS, is making the final preparations to ship the
beacon transmitter over to Northern Ireland

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Date: 2012-07-13 16:23:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f695dc43d04c4b87f70@google.com>
Source record: 2507
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NZ4O "Daily" HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 05:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353690-NZ4O-quot-Daily-quot-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast&goto=newpost

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The complete MF/HF/6M 7 day period radiowave propagation forecast can be found at http://www.solarcycle24.org .

This radiowave propagation forecast is provided free of charge to the radio hobby communities but donations are graciously accepted. You can donate by going to http://www.paypal.com and clicking on the "Send Money" tab. My Paypal ID/email address is thomasfgiella@tampabay.rr.com .

NOTE! This HF/6M radiowave propagation forecast covers all continents and all hemispheres.

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

BAND: DAY -> NIGHT

80, 60 Meters: Poor -> Fair

40, 30 Meters: Fair-> Fair To Good

20, 17, 15 Meters: Good -> Fair To Poor

12, 10 Meters: Poor To Fair -> Poor

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY BAND-

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Good S7-S9

Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY LATITUDE-

Low Latitude- Low Normal

Mid Latitude- Low Normal

High Latitude- Low Normal

FORECASTED SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GLOBAL HF CONDITIONS BY LATITUDE-

Low Latitude- Low Normal

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GREAT CIRCLE SHORT PATH 80, 60 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

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East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GREAT CIRCLE SHORT PATH 20, 17, 15 METERS-

East -> West To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

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West -> East To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

South -> North To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

North -> South To 2000 Mi/3200 km- Fair To Good

Note!!! At times propagation conditions on 10 meters will be Good, via the
less predictable Sporadic E (Es) and trans-equatorial (TE) propagation
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Excellent S9+1 Or Better

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Fair S4-S6

Poor S1-S3

None S0

FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GREAT CIRCLE VIA LONG PATH-

80, 60 meters

(TA) Trans Atlantic, (TI) Trans Indian, (TP) Trans Pacific and cross Equatorial propagation conditions greater than

2000 mi/3200 km.

Low Latitude- Fair To Good

Mid Latitude- Fair To Good

High Latitude- Fair To Good

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Low- 0-25 degrees

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GLOBAL 50000-54000 KC (6 METERS) PROPAGATION MODES EXPECTED FORECAST-

F2- None

Sporadic E (Es)- Yes, northern hemisphere Es season is underway

Aurora E High Latitude- Yes

Aurora E Mid Latitude- No

Troposphere Ducting- Yes

Trans Equatorial (TE) F2/F3- Yes

Meteor Scatter- No, excluding random meteors, lightning bolt plasma channels, space junk and alien spacecraft

Meter Band Equivalents

Ham SWL

160 90

80 75

60 60

40 49, 41

30 31, 25

20 22, 19

17 16, 15

15 13

12, 10 11

FORECASTED GLOBAL LIGHTNING NOISE (QRN)-

Northern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect VERY HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer season

proximity to the Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) and tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere mid latitude regions can expect HIGH TO VERY HIGHthunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems, as well as tropical warm core low pressure systems.

Northern hemisphere high latitude regions can expect HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to summer

season cold/warm/occluded fronts and associated extra-tropical cold core low pressure systems.

Southern hemisphere low latitude regions can expect HIGH thunderstorm lightning induced QRN tied to winter season proximity

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Lightning Induced Noise (QRN) Forecast Scale-

Very High >+1 db Over S9

High- S7-9

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None- S0

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FORECASTED NORTHERN HEMISPHERE GREAT CIRCLE SHORT PATH-

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None- S0

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NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O MF/HF/6M (600-6 Meters) Radiowave Propagation Forecast: http://www.solarcycle24.org

Harmful Man Induced (Anthropogenic) Climate Change (Global Warming)
Refuted: http://www.globalwarminglie.org

1241. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 13 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 16:43:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba21238d98696304c4b8c720@google.com>
Source record: 2508
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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TX0HF Austral Islands

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 04:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353791-TX0HF-Austral-Islands&goto=newpost

F4FJH will be active from Tubuai Island (IOTA OC-152) until 21 July 2012
and from Rurutu Island (IOTA OC-050) 21-23 July 2012 as TX0HF

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...nch-polynesia/

73 Al 4L5A

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Soon on the air !!!! 9A8WTV IOTA TOUR EU136

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 01:40 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353788-Soon-on-the-air-!!!!-9A8WTV-IOTA-TOUR-EU136&goto=newpost

Hello everyone, I wanted to tell you that I will be active from 13/08/2012
to 27/08/2012 from 3 different islands of Croatia, CI012, CI021, CI088,
REF. IOTA - EU136 my activities will be held on 10-20-40 Mt

I hope that a good number of propagation and feel! friendship 'to all of
you soon and 73' Vy IZ5WTV 9A8WTV & Henry.

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UT9IO/P Zmeinyi Island

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 11:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353734-UT9IO-P-Zmeinyi-Island&goto=newpost

UT9IO will be active from Zmeinyi Island (Snake Island) IOTA EU-182 21-29
July 2012 as UT9IO/P

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en..._ut9io-p_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

1242. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1069.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 17:20:23 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <845940.25030.qm@smtp113.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2509
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1069.2
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1069.2

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1069.2
July 13, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX
Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet
Clusters Network, 9A6AA, LU8ADX, N4GN, VU2PTT and various sources for
the following DX information.

2012 IARU HF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP. This is a special bulletin to accommodate
the late IARU HF World Championship announcements. Also, we wanted to
provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the IARU HF World
Championship
participants. Here are the following stations to be active in the IARU HF
World Championship this weekend:

Contest DXCC QSL Comments
Callsign Entity Route

5B/RT9T Cyprus RT9T
6D0LM Mexico FMRE HQ station
8N1HQ Japan AUTOMATIC VIA BUREAU 160m/CW, 40m/CW/SSB,
15m/SSB and 10m/CW;
JARL HQ station
8N3HQ Japan AUTOMATIC VIA BUREAU 15m/CW; JARL HQ station
8N4HQ Japan AUTOMATIC VIA BUREAU 80m/CW, 75m/SSB and
10m/SSB; JARL HQ station
8N8HQ Japan AUTOMATIC VIA BUREAU 20m/SSB; JARL HQ station
8P6AW Barbados see QRZ.com ARSB HQ station
9A20HQ Croatia 9A3JB QSL Auto by Bureau
9K9HQ Kuwait TBA or possibly 9K2CQ
9M2/SQ9UM West Malaysia SQ9UM
9Y4HQ Trinidad And Tobago DF2RG (d/B) TTARS HQ station
9Y4X Trinidad And Tobago see QRZ.com R2 station
A47RS Oman (d) ROARS HQ station
AT1HQ India VU2PTT ARSI HQ station
BW2/KU1CW Taiwan LoTW

CO8LY Cuba EA7ADH (d)
CX1AA Uruguay W3HNK/LoTW
DA0HQ Germany (B) DARC HQ station
E51YNB South Cook Islands N6NB Rarotonga Island (OC-013)
E51TAI South Cook Islands N6NB Rarotonga Island (OC-013)
E70ARA Bosnia-Herzeovina see QRZ.com ARABiH Hq station
EF1HQ Spain EA4URE URE HQ station
EF2HQ Spain EA4URE URE HQ station
EF5HQ Spain EA4URE URE HQ station
EF7HQ Spain EA4URE URE HQ station
EI/WJ2O/m Ireland WJ2O Single-Op/Mixed-Mode
EI80IRTS Ireland EI4GXB IRTS HQ station
FP/KV1J St. Pierre & Miquelon (d/B/L/e)
GO2HQ England M0OXO RSGB HQ station
HB9JOE Switzerland (d/B/L) IARU Region I Treasurer
HB0HQ Liechtenstein Bureau AFVL HQ station
HC2GRC Ecuador GRC HQ station
HK3LR Colombia see QRZ.com LCRA
HL0HQ South Korea DS2AGH (d/B) KARL HQ station
HS0AC Thailand HS0ZFZ RAST HQ station
IO1HQ Italy (B) ARI HQ station - 80m/CW,
40m/CW and 20m/SSB
IO2HQ Italy (B) ARI HQ station - 20m/CW
IO4HQ Italy (B) ARI HQ station - 160m/SSB
and 80m/SSB
IO5HQ Italy (B) ARI HQ station - 40m/SSB
IO8HQ Italy (B) ARI HQ station - 15m/SSB
IO9HQ Italy (B) ARI HQ station - 15m/CW,
10m/SSB and 10m/CW
JA1CJP Japan (B) IARU Region III Secretary

K0QB United States see QRZ.com R2
LN2HQ Norway LA Bureau NRRL HQ station
LR5F Argentina (B)(d LU4AA) 20m/CW
LR5H Argentina (B)(d LU4AA) 80/15m/SSB and 40m/CW
LR7D Argentina (B)(d LU4AA) 20m/SSB
LR7F Argentina (B)(d LU4AA) 40/10m/SSB and 80m/CW
LR7H Argentina (B)(d LU4AA) 160/10m/CW and 160m/SSB
LX75HQ Luxembourg LX2A RL HQ station
LY0HQ Lithuania LY8O LRMD HQ station
NQ2A United States NP3O or via LoTW
NU1AW/9 United States see QRZ.com IARU HQ station in WI
OA4O Peru (B/d) RCP station
OD5IARU Lebanon EA5BYP
OH0HQ Aland Island (B) HQ station; QSL direct to:
or SRAL, P.O.Box 44, 00441,
Helsinki, Finland
OH0X Aland Island OH2TA
OP0HQ Belgium (B) UBA HQ station
OZ1HQ Denmark IZ1HQ (d) Bureau to OZ1ACB; EDR HQ stn

PI4HQ Netherlands PA3CAL VERON
PT2ADM Brazil see QRZ.com R2 station
R3HQ Russia (B)
SK9HQ Sweden SM6JSM HQ station
SN0HQ Poland SP7DQR (B) PZK HQ station
SX0HQ Greece SV (B) RAAG HQ station
T6MO Afghanistan K9GY
TC50HQ Turkey see QRZ.com TRAC HQ station
TG9AGD Guatemala see QRZ.com
TG0AA Guatemala see QRZ.com CRAG station
TI0RC Costa Rica see QRZ.com
TM0HQ France (B) REF HQ station
VA3RAC Canada see QRZ.com
VE6SH Canada VE6SH IARU President
VP9/WA4PGM Bermuda WA4PGM
VU2GMN India VU2GMN IARU Region 3 Director
YR0HQ Romania (L/B)
VR2HK Hong Kong see QRZ.com HARTS HQ station
YT0HQ Serbia YU1SRS SRS HQ station
VY2RAC Canada see QRZ.com Prince Edward Island (NA-029)
W1AW/7 United States ARRL HQ station
XE1KK Mexico (L) AC HQ station
XR3HQ Chile Bureau
YE0HQ Indonesia see QRZ.com ORARI HQ station
YL4HQ Latvia (L & e) LRAL HQ station
YR0HQ Romania FRR HQ station
YS1MS El Salvador see QRZ.com
YS1YS El Salvador see QRZ.com CRAS HQ station
YT0HQ Serbia YU1SRS SRS HQ station
YV5AM Venezuela see QRZ.com R2
Z30HQ Macedonia Z33F
ZF1A Cayman Islands K6AM (d/B/L) CARS HQ station
ZM1A New Zealand ZL3CW NZRT CW station
ZL2AZ New Zealand see QRZ.com IARU Director of Region 3
ZL6HQ New Zealand (B) NZART SSB station
ZS4BS South Africa see QRZ.com Cllr of the SARL R1
ZS9HQ South Africa SARL HQ station
ZZ7HQ Brazil LABRE HQ station R2

(e) eQSL (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

Complete details and rules on the "IARU HF World Championship" are
available at: http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship
ADDED NOTE: Special multipliers are given out for working IARU regional
officials such as AC, R1, R2 and R3, plus country headquarters stations.

LATE/LAST MINUTE DX UPDATES AND PRESS RELEASE

AT1/VU2, INDIA. Members of the ARSI (Amateur Radio Society of India) will be active as AT1HQ, the HQ callsign of the ARSI, for the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th) Contest this weekend on all bands. This will be run by multipler stations across India running the same callsign. The stations and operators making this possible include Aravind/VU2ABS, Kumar/VU2BGS, Nand/VU2NKS, Pai/VU2PAI, Prasad/VU2PTT, Chandra/VU2RCT, Ganesh/VU2TS, Raman/VU3DJQ, Deepak/VU2CDP and Mur/VU2MTT. QSL via VU2PTT. ADDED NOTE: Also, look for Gopal, VU2GMN, on SSB to be giving out the R3 multiplier as the IARU Region 3 Director.

9A22, CROATIA (WFF Op!). Members of Radio Clubs "Karlovac" (Karlovac), "Duga Resa" (Duga Resa) and "Croatian Flora Fauna" (Zagreb) are expected to activate the Special Forest Reserve "Javornik - Tisov vrh" (9AFF-061), on July 14th, located within a mined area of Plje�evica mountain. They used the special callsign 9A22MINE, remembering that some areas in Croatia have remained affected by landmines for 22 years. QSL via 9A1MB. All other details are available on QRZ.com.

HL0, SOUTH KOREA. Operators Aves/DS2AGH, Sungki/HL1IWD, Harry/WX8C and Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX will be active as HL0HQ from the KARL HQ club station in Seoul during the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th). QSL via DS2AGH direct or by the Bureau.

LR5/LR7, ARGENTINA. Members of the Radio Club Argentino (LU4AA) will be active during the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th), giving the multiplier RCA. Look for the following stations to be on the air:
LR5H - 80/15m SSB and 40m/CW; Operators LU2NI, LU3HY, LU5DX, LU5HM, LW5HR, LU7HE and LU8ADX
LR7D - 20m/SSB; Operators LU1DK, LU4DX and LU7DR
LR5F - 20m/CW; Operator LU5FF
LR7H - 160/10m/CW and 160m/SSB; Operator LU7HF and LU7HN
LR7F - 40/10m/SSB, 80/15m/CW; Operators LU4FPZ, LU3FMD, LU6FEC, LU9FEL, LU7FTS and LU6FN
QSL via the Bureau or direct to LU4AA.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND (OH0HQ - FINNISH IARU HQ STATION): Martti, OH2BH, reports the following [edited]:
"In a departure from the traditional HQ pattern in Finland, the Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL), Contest Club Finland (CCF) and Radio Sporting Team (OH0Z) are organizing the activation of HQ station from the western Aland Islands at the OH0Z contest site (JP90xi). The team will put a minimum of five (5) stations on the air, challenging the midnight sun of the Finnish Summer which never sets. Now you have an excellent opportunity to work The Finnish HQ station from Aland Island (IOTA-002).
The operator roster is as follows: Bob/K3EST (guest) together with Juha/OH1JT, Pekka/OH2TA, Tomi/OH6EI, Martti/OH2BH, Kari/OH2XX, Juha/OH6XX, Harry/OH6VM and Timo/OG9X.
QSL cards via bureau or SRAL, P.O.Box 44, 00441, Helsinki, Finland

In the same IARU HF World Championship Contest OH2UA and OH6KZP will be running multi-single as OH0X from Brando, eastern Aland Islands. QSL via OH2TA."

TC50, TURKEY. This year the TRAC Radio and Community of Radio Amateurs
will participate in IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th) using the
special callsign TC50HQ. Activity will be on all six bands and both modes.

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
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mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1243. eHam.net News for Friday 13 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-13 22:05:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a443376804c4bd475a@google.com>
Source record: 2510
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Move Over Raspberry Pi, Give Kids a Radio Ham Pi:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 05:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28628

Hobbyists spark an interest in electronics: Schoolchildren should be given simple radio kits to build so they can learn basic electronics, communications minister Ed Vaizey said yesterday. "It would be great to get amateur radio kits in schools like we have with the Raspberry Pi," he added, referring to the cheap PC that's sneaking into classrooms to promote computer science to youngsters. The Tory MP spoke at the opening of the Radio Society of Great Britain's National Radio Centre, which aims to show groups of schoolchildren and other visitors the history and principles of radio technology. It is hoped that teaching tykes the foundations of wireless communications will help them appreciate and take a greater interest in things they take for granted - from Oyster cards to 3G mobile web surfing. "Looking around the room, I can see amateur radio appeals to a certain demographic, but there's nothing wrong with that," Vaizey told the society's radio hams. He acknowledged that the broadcast hobbyists were involved in "long-term technical work, which may not have the glamour of jumping out of aeroplanes but still contributes to national greatness".

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ARNewsline Report 1823 -- July 12 2012:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 05:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28627

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams continue to provide assistance as wildfires rage in the great American West; the FCC to investigate telephone failures after the big windstorm of Friday, June 29th; Illinois hams get PRB One like protection for towers and antennas and the story of a 9 year old in South Carolina who learns first hand about ham radio on a television program that he hosts. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1822 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #28:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28622

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, PY2EV, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28621

This Week in Radiosport:

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Executive Order Poses No Threat to the Amateur Radio Service:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28620

On July 6, 2012, the White House released an Executive Order that addresses National Security and Emergency Preparedness (NS/EP) communications functions of the federal government. Contrary to some concerns raised in a few Amateur Radio circles, the Order does not appear to contain any threat to the Amateur Service or its ability to continue support communications during times of emergency or disaster. It also poses no threat to amateur spectrum.

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State-Level PRB-1 Law Now On the Books in Illinois:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28619

Following in the footsteps of various other states, Illinois Governor Pat Quinn signed HB 1390 -- a state-level PRB-1 law -- on June 30, effective immediately. PRB-1 (as codified in Section 97.15(b)) was released by the FCC in 1985 and states that "[s]tate and local regulation of a station antenna structure must not preclude amateur service communications. Rather, it must reasonably accommodate such communications and must constitute the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish the state or local authority's legitimate purpose."

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Three Hams Scheduled to Head to ISS This Weekend:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:32 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28618

NASA will televise the launch and docking of the next mission to the International Space Station (ISS), scheduled for 8:40 PM (CDT) Saturday, July 14 (0140 UTC Sunday, July 15). NASA Flight Engineer Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, along with Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko,

RK3DUP, and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, are completing preparations as they undergo their final Soyuz spacecraft fit.

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ARRL to Host Webinar on Amateur Radio Response to 2012 Hurricane Season:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:31 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28617

The ARRL will host a webinar from 8-9:30 PM EDT Tuesday, July 17 (0000-0130 UTC Wednesday, July 18) to present information about the 2012 hurricane season and the Amateur Radio response. The program will offer presentations from representatives from the National Hurricane Center (NHC) and WX4NHC (the Amateur Radio station at the NHC), the VoIP Hurricane Net, the Hurricane Watch Net and the ARRL.

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Additional Diamond DXCC Tools and Reports Now Available:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28616

Recently, the ARRL has been able to add some additional tools and reports to the Diamond DXCC system, including an online form that is similar to the Online DXCC application and a listing of operators who qualified for the basic award and how many entities they have credited.

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W1AW's EchoLink and IRLP Nodes Temporarily Suspended:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:31 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28615

W1AW's EchoLink and IRLP Nodes Temporarily Suspended:

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Walter Maxwell, W2DU (SK):

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28614

M. Walter Maxwell, W2DU, died July 3 at his home in DeLand, Florida, of natural causes. He was 93. Maxwell was best known in the Amateur Radio realm for his ground-breaking series of articles, "Another Look at Reflections." Published in QST in seven parts from 1973-1976, the series explained in plain English concepts such as line loss, SWR, baluns and antenna tuners.

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Two Operations Approved for DXCC Credit:

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28613

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that two operations -- the 9X0PY (Rwanda) operation (December 24, 2011-January 7, 2012) and the S21YD (Bangladesh) operation (1994, 1995, 1998 and 1999) -- have been approved for DXCC credit.

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13 Colonies Special Event -- Wow!

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 12:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28609

I never thought I would see this, but with bad T-storms, straight line winds, static, bad QSB, electric outages, record blistering heat and huge solar storms with radio black outs, The 13 Colonies Special Event had a BANNER YEAR! What else could of went wrong? A Snow Storm? Grand total QSO count is 60,927. +20,000 over last year! I would like to thank all you operators who called us, who were ladies and gentlemen on the air, had patience and yes, compassion! Also, kudos to our HF and Satellite stations who tried their best to please everyone. Not all were happy, but that was a very, very few. Try to understand that it is my job to evaluate the response every year. I have been wrong every year! The response has been gratifying and much more than anticipated.Pile ups galore, even from EU! Many thanks to the bonus special event station WM3PEN in Philadelphia! They add that extra patriotic "Flair" to the event, and folks appreciate their participation, as we do too!

1244. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 13 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-14 02:10:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81e28410a204c4c0b23b@google.com>
Source record: 2511
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Lifelong passion for ham radio still burns at 92 - Columbus Dispatch

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 02:52 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFi1OruaZNztVgMtXP_2JLS0UzvPQ&url=http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2012/07/13/man-of-the-air.html

Columbus Dispatch
Lifelong passion for ham radio still burns at 92
Columbus Dispatch
Hes one of about 703000 ham-radio operators nationwide, according to the Connecticut-based National Association for Amateur Radio. “There are more operators in the country than ever before,” said association spokesman Allen Pitts. “And it is growing.” ...

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Amateur Radio Club Drills for Emergency Preparedness - Patch.com

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 12:29 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEsGe73zLiUYRKQoYkIltwwbBUsrw&url=http://sonoma.patch.com/articles/amateur-radio-club-drills-for-emergency-preparedness

Amateur Radio Club Drills for Emergency Preparedness
Patch.com
Calling all Hams: Amateur radio operators prepare for the unexpected. ... Also, in the spring the club sets up operations at the Veterans Memorial Building on First Street West for their annual Hamfest, a public demonstration of their ham radio operation.

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Hams: We're good in a disaster - UK Radio Society boss - Register

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 01:37 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE67RBBYnzUV6CVbmrkwoW-z42uqg&url=http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/07/13/amateur_radio_nasa_disaster/

Hams: Were good in a disaster – UK Radio Society boss
Register
Amateur radio types can also chat to the astronauts, as theres a ham radio centre on the International Space Station. Closer to home, UK emergency services have asked Raynet, which organises and trains radio amateurs, to provide emergency radio ...

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ARES have a field day - Marshfield Mail

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 04:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGuf00irXm_1s3Rq-HHxe9cvlW6hA&url=http://marshfieldmail.com/news/ares-have-a-field-day/article_a37555d8-cc4a-11e1-a859-001a4bcf887a.html

ARES have a field day
Marshfield Mail
More than a dozen members of the Webster County ARES® (Amateur Radio Emergency Services) group set up antennas and ham radios at the Niangua Community Center to show how quickly amateur radio operators can establish communications from any ...

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ARNewsline Report 1823 -- July 12 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 12:36 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHv7WiZ66UOnfkywOs_EudBOaQuPw&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28627

ARNewsline Report 1823 -- July 12 2012:
eHam.net
... old in South Carolina who learns first hand about ham radio on a television program that he hosts. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1822 coming your way right now. - eHam.net is a Web site dedicated to ham radio (amateur ...

1245. BEST 10 HOT SEXY VIDEOS AND MASALA KISS PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-14 09:58:50 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <16132f54-e771-4e8f-a0e5-8f6e9dfa7d1d@vs10g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2512

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

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mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

mobile ringtones free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1246. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 14 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-14 11:06:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf307c9c30a4ff6504c4c82f5d@google.com>
Source record: 2513
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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OH0HQ - Finnish IARU HQ Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Sv35CPISebI/oh0hq_finnish_iaru_hq_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In a departure from the traditional HQ pattern in Finland, the Finnish Amateur Radio League (SRAL), Contest Club Finland (CCF) and Radio Sporting Team (OH0Z) are organizing the activation of HQ station from the western Aland Islands at the OH0Z contest site (JP90xi)

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Video of ISS Ham Radio contact with WISH students

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/86VgFt8GI3Y/video_of_iss_ham_radio_contact_with_wish_students.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

International Space Station Flight Engineer Joe Acaba KE5DAR used amateur radio to speak with high school students participating in a summer program called Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars, or WISH

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Final call for 2 metre data band plan consultation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-3X9UsCfzTA/final_call_for_2_metre_data_band_plan_consultation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A recent item on GB2RS and a fuller article in July’s RadCom detailed proposed changes to the 144MHz data band plan and the intention to consult on these changes using a Litmus Test via the RSGB website

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RSGB publishes proposals for strategy and new governance arrangements

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h9BkZEFX-mA/rsgb_strategy_and_governance_proposals.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On 7 July, the Radio Society of Great Britain published two very important consultative documents. They contain proposals for a 3-year strategy for the society, together with new governance arrangements

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Olympics frequency regulations start taking effect

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-Zn73H2aex0/olympics_frequency_regulations_start_taking_effect.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As previously announced by Ofcom, the temporary restrictions on 70cm,
2.3GHz and 3.4GHz around Games venues are now in force until 23 September

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Argentina active for IARU HF World Championship

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uD2vr3QcMKQ/argentina_active_for_iaru_world_championship.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Radio Club Argentino (LU4AA) will be active during the IARU
HF World Championship (July 14-15th), giving the multiplier RCA

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_7mvgTTic9A/028_july_14.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity rose moderately this week. Average daily sunspot numbers
were up nearly 3 points to 120.9, and average daily solar flux rose over 28
points to 166.8

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Croatian WFF activation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HxS_AcweIE8/croatian_wff_activation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Croatian radio club members will use the special callsign 9A22MINE,
remembering that some areas in Croatia have remained affected by landmines
for 22 years

1247. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 14 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-14 16:06:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235485e6bfa104c4cc61c7@google.com>
Source record: 2514
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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ZL9HR Campbell Island NZ 2012

Posted: 14 Jul 2012 07:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353935-ZL9HR-Campbell-Island-NZ-2012&goto=newpost

zl9hr banner.jpg

The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia (HARAOA) is
sponsoring a DXpedition to ZL9 Campbell Island (OC-037) New Zealand between
November 28th and December 9th 2012.

ZL9 Campbell Island NZ is Number 15 on the current DXCC most wanted list.

Follow all recent updates on the newly updated website:
http://www.campbell2012.com/

Follow on twitter: http://twitter.com/ZL9HR

Attached Images

zl9hr banner.jpg
(334.2 KB)

1248. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 14 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-14 16:11:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9110d7504c4cc7387@google.com>
Source record: 2515
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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QRZ Welcomes Our Newest LIFE Members

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 01:21 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353851-QRZ-Welcomes-Our-Newest-LIFE-Members&goto=newpost

It's been a while since we introduced our newest LIFE members and so we'd
like to take this opportunity to introduce QRZ's newest for 2012. Please
join us in congratulating the following members who have chosen to support
QRZ by purchasing a LIFE membership:

G0CKV
Olof Lundberg
2012-01-29
Life Member

AJ6B
Sean Reigle
2012-04-10
Life Member

W2NYS
David Hines
2012-05-03
Life Member

HB9BRU
Peter Wirthlin
2012-05-05
Life Member

KD0MR
Lance Vennard
2012-05-08
Life Member

ON4LCY
Jean-Pierre Vanlierde
2012-05-20
Life Member

W1RE
Robert Edry

2012-06-15
Life Member

OM6BB
Rudolf Barcak
2012-06-25
Life Member

Their patronage helps make QRZ possible for hundreds of thousands of
amateurs world wide. We all owe them a debt of gratitude for their support.

Their names are now permanently displayed on our QRZ Life Member Honor Roll

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https://ssl.qrz.com/subscribe

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1822 July 13 2012

Posted: 12 Jul 2012 08:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353779-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1822--July-13-20
12&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline□ Report 1822 □ July 13 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1822 with a release date of July 13,
2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams continue to provide assistance as wildfires rage in the great American West; the FCC to investigate telephone failures after the big windstorm of Friday, June 29th; Illinois hams get PRB One like protection for towers and antennas and the story of a 9 year old in South Carolina who learns first hand about ham radio on a television program that he hosts. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline□ report number 1822 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS CONTINUE WILDFIRE RESPONSE

Wind-fanned wildfires are proving stubborn, but firefighters are beginning to gain ground in their fight against the numerous stubborn blazes dotting the United States West. One of the worst hit is Colorado. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, who grew up there and knows the area well has the latest:

1249. SARL News in English 14/7/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-14 17:44:30 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <D1F9B4CBAB774D81A3DAFC13504F1A97@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2516
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 15 JULY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on "Amateur Radio Today" and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria with relays on 7 066 and 3 695 kHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN DURBAN ON 21 JULY

FORUM MODERATORS APPOINTED

PROBLEMS EXPERIENCED WITH LOAD CONTROL SYSTEM IN WESTERN PROVINCE

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN DURBAN ON 21 JULY

Bookings have been coming in steadily and it looks like we are heading for a bumper Radio Technology in Action Symposium next Saturday. Listen to Amateur Radio Today later this morning for a preview by Tony Voorveld of his presentation "Tuning into nature". Full details of the symposium to be held in Durban on 21 July are available on line at www.sarl.org.za.

You can pre book and take part in an additional prize draw for the ARRL Book "Basic Antennas". If you like a programme to be sent to your inbox send an email to rta@sarl.org.za with RTA Durban in the subject line and a PDF copy will be mailed to you.

Pre-booking closes on Thursday 19 July. After that you can register at the venue from 08:30. Only cash or cheques will be accepted. The symposium starts at 09:00. The venue is the University of KwaZulu-Natal School of Engineering, use gate 8 at Rick Turner Avenue (used to be Francois Road) . You will find the GPS coordinates on www.sarl.org.za select RTA. Note that this is a new venue.

FORUM MODERATORS APPOINTED

The Council of the SARL has approved the appointment of three moderators to assist the SARL Councillor responsible for the SARL Forum portfolio, Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A. They are: Brad Philips, ZS5Z Vincent Harrison, ZS6BTY Roger Conroy, ZR3RC

Please give them your full support.

PROBLEMS EXPERIENCED WITH LOAD CONTROL SYSTEM IN WESTERN PROVINCE

Problems are experienced and all radio amateurs in the Paarl and Stellenbosch Municipal areas where the load control system is currently being installed (this is the system installed to switch the geyser off during peak hours) please take note. This unit causes disturbances right through the HF spectrum. ICASA has investigated a complaint and are currently having discussions with the Municipal officials and the South African Bureau of Standards.

This morning they were wondering whether there were more amateurs experiencing disturbances, and would welcome feedback from you. The investigating official is Brennan Marais and can be contacted on 021 431 9811 or on his cellphone 082 569 8774. E-mail is bmarais@icasa.org.za.

In the meantime please be advised to decline the installation of this unit at your premises. If you want to hear how this unit sounds please phone Theo, ZS1BO, at 082 855 5623.

FUN CONTEST ON SUNDAY 22 JULY

The Boland Amateur Radio Club will be holding its 40 metre sprint phone contest on Sunday 22 July from 15:00 - 18:00 CAT. This is a fun activity to promote contacts on 40 metres between radio amateurs in Southern African countries. It is also an ideal opportunity for Mobile stations, Field stations and RaDAR stations to participate.

In this contest only wire or mobile antennas may be used and a maximum output of 100 watt. The following frequencies may be used 7 060 - 7 100 and 7 135 -7 200 kHz. Only three [3] contacts per frequency are allowed before you have to change frequency. You may only return to a previously used frequency after five [5] contacts.

Only Excell logsheets will be accepted and can be sent to zs1bak@bark.org.za or by post to BARK, P.O. Box 273, Strand, 7139.

Full details can be found on page 43 and 59 in the 2012 contest manual at www.sarl.org.za.

URL on for printed version: www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf)

IARU HF WINTER CHAMPIONSHIP

The SARL is taking part in this contest with the call sign ZS9HQ. So to all of you out there, here is an opportunity to get a new call sign in

the log. It will be the first time that this call sign is used. The shack at NARC is going to be used for the Phone operators. The following operators will be flying the ZS9HQ flag: CW Operators:- ZS1EL - Vidi La Grange ZS1AAX - Allan Smith ZS6C - Joop Hesp ZS6A - Pierre van Deventer

Phone Operators:- ZR6NGB - Nigel Burgess ZS6RLM - Roy McKay ZR6DX - Noel Hammond ZS6GRL - Geoff Levey ZS6RIC - Rikus Joubert

We thank all the operators who have come to the party.

SARL WINTER QRP COMPETITION

The SARL Winter competition is a fun activity to promote contacts between radio amateurs in Southern Africa. The use of self constructed equipment and operation of a portable/field station and the use of temporary antennas are encouraged, but is not a requirement.

The winter QRP competition will be on the air from 12:00 to 15:00 UTC on Saturday 21 July with CW and Phone activity on 40 metre. An RS(T) report and 6 character grid square will be exchanged. Each SSB contact counts 1 point and each CW contact 2 points. Each prefix worked counts as a prefix multiplier.

Logs must be submitted within 7 days after the competition and can be e-mailed to contest@sarl.org.za or posted to West Rand Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 5344, Weltevredenpark , 1725.

EAST RAND RADIO BRANCH TO HOST OCTOBER RAE COURSE

The East Rand Radio Branch will again offer a course leading to the Radio Amateur's Examination to be held in October 2012

The classes will start on 17 July 2012 at 18:00 (which will also be the registration) and every Tuesday evening there after and will be taking place at the clubhouse in Plantation road in Springs behind the Civic Centre

For any further info please don't hesitate to contact Judy, ZS6JDY, 079 730 2030 or email zs6jdy@vodamail.co.za.

COMPETITION NEWS

SARL TOPBAND QSO PARTY RESULTS

7 logs were received. There were about 56 stations on the air during the 4 days of the contest. More statistics and the full results will be published in HF Happenings.

Results are: 1st - Lukas Holtzhausen - ZS6LH - 232 points 2nd - Phillip van Tonder - ZS6PVT - 155 points 3rd - Johan van Zijl - ZS4DZ - 153 points

Congratulations to Lukas and the runners up.

Thanks to all who submitted their logs.

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity will be at moderate levels. Behemoth sunspot AR1520 unleased an X-class flare on July 12th. The sunspot still harbours enough energy for another X-class explosion.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 119.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information

DIARY OF EVENTS 15 July - IARU HF Winter Championship closes today at 12:00 UTC. 21July - Do pre-booking for the Radio Technology in Action Symposium next Saturday in Durban till Thursday 19 July. Request program from rta@sarl.org.za. 21 July - SARL QRP Winter competition on the air from 12:00 to 15:00 UTC on Saturday. 22 July - The Boland Amateur Radio Club 40 metre sprint phone contest from 15:00 - 18:00 CAT.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dick, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johan ZS4SS, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1250. eHam.net News for Saturday 14 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-14 22:42:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410014f549a04c4d1e908@google.com>
Source record: 2517
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Lifelong Passion for Ham Radio Still Burns at 92:

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28631

For the Depression-era farm boy fascinated with science, research was relegated to pondering the occasional lightning strike or puddles dappled with tractor oil. Yet Paul Herman vowed to climb from his Pennsylvania roots to answer life's nagging questions. "I found things interesting that, it seemed to me, the other kids didn't pay attention to," he recalled. "I imagined that I might be different from other kids." The towering radio antenna outside his Clintonville home today is evidence that the 92-year-old still is different, and still is searching the airwaves for information. He's one of about 703,000 ham-radio operators nationwide, according to the Connecticut-based National Association for Amateur Radio. "There are more operators in the country than ever before," said association spokesman Allen Pitts. "And it is growing." Those aren't Facebook numbers, but they're evidence that one of the oldest forms of electronic communication isn't ready to die just yet.

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Solar Storm from Massive Flare Headed Toward Earth This Weekend:

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28630

On Thursday, the sun unleashed a massive x-class solar flare that hurled a cloud of highly charged particles toward our planet at nearly 3 million miles per hour. This solar flare is expected to impact the Earth's magnetic field early on Saturday morning, according to NOAA Space Weather scientists. The impacts could last through the weekend as well, but the storm is part of the sun's normal 11-year cycle of solar activity, which is supposed to reach peak storminess in 2013, before decreasing once again. The latest update from the NOAA SWPC reads as follows: "The latest model run now indicates the CME associated with yesterday's R3 (Strong) Radio Blackout event will impact the earth's magnetic field around 9:00 a.m. EDT (1300 UTC) on Saturday, July 14. SWPC is forecasting category G1 (Minor) Geomagnetic Storm activity then, with a chance of G2 (Moderate) levels at times through July 15. The S1 (Minor) Solar Radiation Storm persists just above event threshold. Region 1520 has decayed in the past 12 hours, but is still potentially eruptive." Scientists have said this will be a minor event, but are still taking some precautions and have notified power grid

operators, airlines, and other potentially impacted parties. In the most severe cases, solar flares can disrupt power grids causing blackouts, damage satellites, and disrupt GPS signals and radio communications, although nothing that severe is expected this weekend.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #28 de K7RA:

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 04:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28629

Solar activity rose moderately this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 3 points to 120.9, and average daily solar flux rose over 28 points to 166.8. There was quite a bit of geomagnetic activity, the most happening on July 9, when the mid-latitude A index reached 29, planetary A index was 30, and Alaska's college A index was 60. That day I stopped in to visit K7SS on my way back from a trip to Oregon, and a check of the bands showed HF conditions were quite difficult.

1251. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 14 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 02:49:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234ce7409fae04c4d55c3a@google.com>
Source record: 2518
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world - Newnan Times-Herald

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 03:22 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE7CrI8kjAoZKbt13EYkZ7YFn0o6Q&url=http://www.times-herald.com/local/20120628HamRadio-MOS

Newnan Times-Herald
Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world
Newnan Times-Herald
Phillip Hamlin, Tom Dutton and Tom Williamson work with a radio receiving digital signals during. Photo by Bob Fraley. Phillip Hamlin, Tom Dutton and Tom Williamson work with a radio receiving digital signals during the weekend amateur radio field day ...
Amateur radio club tests emergency communicationStar Community Newspapers
Field day tests Ham radios reach from Austin and beyondPost-Bulletin
Police Explorers Begin Amateur Radio ClassesThe Missourian
Patch.com -KRTV Great Falls News -Calhountimes
all 22 news articles

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'Hams' love frequency: Amateur-radio enthusiast enjoy field day, unique hobby - Gulf Coast News Today

Posted: 10 Jul 2012 12:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGG9cjzoBXdAjXRkhmba-s1T8lmlQ&url=http://www.gulfcoastnewstoday.com/people/features/article_9ed24df2-cac3-11e1-b1e6-0019bb2963f4.html

Hams love frequency: Amateur-radio enthusiast enjoy field day, unique hobby
Gulf Coast News Today
Some curl up with books, or enjoy latest movies; some take voice and instrument lessons and lift up beautiful notes for audiences to enjoy. But “hams,” or amateur radio enthusiasts, enjoy an exact and useful hobby as they communicate through frequencies.

1252. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-037E - Deputy Director Appointed for the MidwestRegion

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 09:00:16 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5002861D.7010906@rac.ca>
Source record: 2519
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-037E - Deputy Director Appointed for the Midwest Region
2012-07-14

Radio Amateurs of Canada Midwest Region Director, Derek Hay, VE4HAY,
is pleased to appoint Allan Grant, VA4AJG, as Deputy Director for the
Region.

The Midwest regional includes all the VE4 and VE5 call sign area of
Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Each Director of RAC is authorized to
appoint one Deputy Director from among RAC members residing in their
region to serve at the pleasure of the Director. Deputy Directors may
attend all RAC Board meetings and teleconferences as observers at
their own expense. In the event that a Director is unable to attend a
Board meeting, that Director may authorize his or her Deputy Director
to attend and vote the Director's proxy on any matter before the Board.

Allan Grant, VA4AJG, has been a certified Amateur Radio operator for
only a short time having obtained his certificate of proficiency in
November 2011, but he has stepped forward with great enthusiasm.
Allan's background is in the Information Technology area and, in
particular, Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) communications for the
last eight years.

Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW
President and Chairman - Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1253. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 15 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 11:03:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340f6995731a04c4dc4157@google.com>
Source record: 2520
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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NASA TV to cover three hams docking at ISS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w7OFyr1oNOQ/nasa_tv_to_cover_docking.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA Flight Engineer Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, along with Russian cosmonaut
Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency astronaut
Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI were launched aboard a Soyuz TMA-05M spacecraft
from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan at 0240 UTC, July 15

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2012 AMSAT Space Symposium and Annual General Meeting comes to Orlando

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wLUUTlvDKwk/2012_amsat_space_symposium.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT announces the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday,
October 26th through Sunday, October 28th

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Video of torch relay station GX4WAB at Norwich

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BNhhbLqk7Jk/torch_relay_station_gx4wab_at_norwich.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GX4WAB was activated by Norfolk Amateur Radio Club on July 5, 2012 as the
Olympic Torch passed through Norfolk

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Ham radio DIY portable VHF/UHF repeater

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WAUkXsAcXRA/ham_radio_diy_portable_vhf_uhf_repeater.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows how a portable amateur radio VHF/UHF crossband repeater
can be easily put together

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SARL Winter QRP Competition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gw8TjiOINLo/sarl_winter_qrp_competition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SARL Winter QRP Competition is a fun activity to promote contacts
between radio amateurs in Southern Africa

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432 and Above EME Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i9N_Jwnu5eU/432_and_above_eme_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The August edition of the free amateur radio 432 MHz and Above EME
Newsletter is now available for download

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fMrYCmIayEY/july_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that behemoth sunspot AR1520 unleased an
X-class flare on July 12th. The sunspot still harbours enough energy for
another X-class explosion

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Amateur Radio club to hold on-air satellite demonstration

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4-VExm7FbEU/satellite_demonstration.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Listen for Patrick, WD9EWK/VA7EWK on VO-52 at 0200 UTC July 17 during his
on-air satellite demonstration at the Tri-City Amateur Radio Association
meeting in Goodyear, Arizona

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Olympics to impact BBC Radio ?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZEv0_Y0uNqw/olympics_to_impact_bbc_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An unconfirmed report indicates that the BBC will be suspending online
radio listening for listeners abroad from July 27 until September 9

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QSL Manager of the Year

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m8xdCG-qxkY/qsl_manager_of_the_year.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Golist QSL Manager Data Service is reviving its QSL Manager of the Year Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize the service of QSL Managers world-wide for the service they provide to the World Wide DX Community

1254. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 15 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 16:24:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf300e4f673adf1004c4e0bf0a@google.com>
Source record: 2521
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Did hams contribute to invention of the WWW?

Posted: 14 Jul 2012 10:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353973-Did-hams-contribute-to-invention-of-the-WWW&goto=newpost

Dear all,

I'm a journalist for public radio (NPR/BBC, etc.). I'm looking for clues
on the role that hams played in the invention of the world wide web?
Digital protocol, infrastructure design, etc. If you know of living hams
who were involved in the invention of "packet" protocol or anything else
that led to the launch of the WWW, I'd like to hear from you! Ryan [dot] W
[dot] Noyes [at] gmail.com.

Thanks for your time. I look forward to hearing from you. DEADLINE is
early August, 2012.

My best,

Ryan

ps: ARRL public affairs is assisting as well.

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MM0RAI Rockall - The Story

Posted: 14 Jul 2012 01:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353907-MM0RAI-Rockall-The-Story&goto=newpost

HI guys,

the complete and exclusive story of Rockall activation (MM0RAI).

For DxCoffee by Patrick ON4HIL

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/07/13/rockall-story/

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1255. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 15 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 16:35:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517ca9a0255c204c4e0e69c@google.com>
Source record: 2522
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Special event 7T50I * 50th anniversary of the Algerian independence *

Posted: 14 Jul 2012 06:11 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354013-Special-event-7T50I-*-50th-anniversary-of-the-Algerian-independence-*&goto=newpost

50th anniversary of the Algerian independence

QSL 7T50I.jpg

Rules of the contest

For the first time:

For the first time, Algerian 7T prefix will be used by Algerian radio hams. Definition:

The contest for the 50th anniversary of the independence of Algeria is an outstanding manifestation of ARA the Algerian radio society.

To obtain the Diploma you must total 50 points.

Goal:

Allow OM's and SWL's from Algeria and outside to obtain a diploma and a special QSL card for the event.

Objective:

To inform the world about that particular event.

Participation:

All Amateur radio, radio clubs and SWL can participate in the contest on all modes and all HF bands allowed.

Dates and times:

From July 05 2012 at 00:00 pm UTC to December 31, 2012 at 00:00 pm UTC.

Valid Contacts:

The same station can be contacted once per band. Correspondents must exchange their respective reports.

Points:

-Official Station (R.C Algiers) 7T50I = 10 points.

-Radio Club Station from East and South East area (RC Bou-Saada)
7W50I= 05 points.

-Radio Club Station from the south zone (RC Laghouat) 7V50I and
7U50I=05 points.

-Radio Club Station from the West and South West area (RC Mostaganem)
7Y50I= 05 points.

-Ordinary 7X stations: 03 points.

Participation Fees:

The cost of the diploma is 10 U.S. Dollars or 05 Euros. (Costs of
printing and delivering)

Penalties:

-QSO with a nonexistent 7X call sign.

-Absence of the QSO on the 7X logs.

-For an incomplete call sign the contact will be cancelled.

Getting the diploma:

The station that has obtained 50 points can ask for a diploma.

Conditions of participation:

By entering this competition, the competitor agrees to respect its
rules, the common rules and the courtesy in use between ham radio
operators.

Posted
by 7X2GK op:kamel

Attached Images

QSL 7T50I.jpg
(395.8 KB)

1256. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1070

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 18:04:31 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <27345.7340.qm@smtp114.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2523
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1070
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1070

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1070
BID: $OPDX.1070
July 16, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NC1L, NJ1Q & W1AW, N2OO, WA2HMM, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, WA4PGN, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8YSE, NE8Z, W8BBQ, W8GEX & 60m News, K9QV, W9ILY, 4J5T, 9A6AA, 9K2HN, 9M6XRO, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, IZ1JLF, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, RV3YR, Sixitalia Weekly, V84SMD team, VA3RJ & ICPO and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 8th-July, through Sunday, 15th-July there were 216 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

There were 37 CQ Zones available during the past week.
CQ Zones that were not active are: 2,3,4

There were 51 ITU Zones available during the past week.
ITU Zones that were not active are: 3,4,7,8,13,15,21,22,23,24,25,26,31, 34,35,43,58,59,68,69,70,71,72,74,90

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, CONWAY REEF (Update). Members of the World-Wide DX Group will be active as 3D2C from Conway Reef between September 24th and October 5th. Their primary objective is to provide as many DXers as possible with a "new one" with this rare DXCC entity and, as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible. They would like to focus on European contacts which is the most difficult area to work especially during those periods when propagation is possible, so they ask that JA and North America to stand-buy during those periods. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. See OPDX.1045 for suggested frequencies. Currently, the Multi-national team consists of 15 operators: Hrane/YT1AD (Leader), Alex/UA4HOX (Co-Leader), Paul/N6PSE (PR & Co-Leader), Dave/AH6HY, David/WD5COV, Vasily/RW4NW, Alan/K6SRZ (Team Physician), Alan/AD6E, Sergej/RZ3FW, Craig/K9CT, Stanislav/LZ1CG, George/N6NKT, Alexander/RW3RN, Peter/PY5CC and Mike/K6MKF. QSL Manager is YT1AD. There will be an OQRS available for direct and Bureau QSL cards. They expect to upload their logs to ClubLog on a daily basis. PLEASE NOTE: They are seeking support from Foundations, Clubs and individuals for this DXpedition. Details are available at:
http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/donors.html
For more details and updates, visit the 3D2C Web page at:
http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

CQ73, PORTUGAL. Operators Jos&#65533;/CT1EHX, T&#65533;-Z&#65533;/CT1GFK, Gon&#65533;alo (AL)/CT1GPQ,
Miguel (Mike)/CT1IUA, Anderson/CT2IUK, Lili/CT2KAL and Pedro/CR7ABW, will be active as CQ73I (Charlie Quebec Seven Three India) between July 16-22th. Activity is to commemorate the 31st International Motorbike Faro. Look for operations on 80/40/30/20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB, and RTTY. QSL via CT1EHX.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
9X0PY &#65533; Rwanda; Operation for: December 24, 2011 through January 7, 2012
S21YD &#65533; Bangladesh; Operations for: 1994, 1995, 1998, and 1999

If you've had any of these operations rejected please send an E-mail to bmoore@arrl.org to be put on the list for an update. (When responding please include the Reference number on your credit slip to help expedite retrieval. (This number can be found in the upper right hand portion)). PLEASE Note. Bill states,"Due to heavy E-mail, I may not be able to reply all messages. Please see your LoTW account to confirm the update or, check your numbers on the daily listing at:
http://www.arrl.org/dxcc-standings "

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:

2011 - MU/PA9M Guernsey: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qNOwB7xZg
2011 - 4W6A Atauro Island (Timor Leste) DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C8o__1x7o
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHDCZiwG8
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7mtztXsuY
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hlX1rwA1k
2009 - K5N Dxpediiton to Rare Grid EL58:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gdlAZXPfc (Part 1)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=At6RrQEjc (Part 2)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vRv2qgzH9Nw (Part 3)

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish it.

HC, ECUADOR. Dr. Rick, NE8Z/HC1MD, will once again be active from here between July 21-31st. He plans to activate the following areas with the following callsigns:
HC1MD - Cumbaya (CW + RTTY) HC1MD/HC3 - Loja (CW)
HC1MD/HC1 - Mt. Cayambe (CW) HC1MD/HC5 - Cuenca (CW)
Activity will be on 40-10 meters operating CW, SSB and RTTY, using a TS-50s/AT-50 with a Carolina Windom (40-10m) antenna from Cumbaya. From all other areas he will operate portable using a OutBacker (40-10m) antenna. QSL via K8LJG. View the HC/Ecuador and HC8/Galapagos DX-Diplomas at: http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-137. Members of the Shanghai DX Club will be active as BY4DX/5 from Shengsi Island between July 27-29th. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Operators mentioned are Xuhui/BD4CQ, Zhang/BD4DYH, Ming/BD4FM, Tony/BG4GMA, Siqing/BG4HRM, Colin/BH4ACQ and Feng/ON6WFO. QSL via BD4HF, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-147. Taka, JA8COE, will once again be active as homecall/8 from Yagishiri Island (WFF JAFF-034 WLOTA 2512) between July 27-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-190. (New IOTA) A team of Saudi operators will activate Al-Dhahrah Island as 7Z7AB possibly between October 1-15th. Operators mentioned are Abdul/7Z1CQ, Suli/7Z1SJ, Abdullah/HZ1AR, Bader/HZ1BF, Abdullah/HZ1BW, Abdul/HZ1DG, Firas/HZ1FS, Hani/HZ1HN, Mohamad/HZ1MD and Nhaw/HZ1TL. More details and a Web page will be forthcoming. See their logo on QRZ.com.

EU-034. Operators Andres/ES1AN, Harald/ES1LS, Arvo/ES1QV, Toivo/ES2DJ, Juri/ES2EZ, Toivo/ES2RR and Mati/ES2QN will be active as ES0U from Saaremaa Island, Estonia, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via ES2DJ or by the Bureau.

EU-045. Alessio, IZ0UIM, will be once again active as IB0/IZ0IUM from Ventotene Island (IIA LT-011) between July 18-22nd. He will also possibly be active from Santo Stefano Island (also EU-045, IIA LT-010) during his time there. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only using a FT-1000 w/100 watts into a multi-band dipole. QSL via direct, LoTW or eQSL. Alessio will also upload his log to ClubLog during his DXpedition.

EU-066. Victor, UA1OEJ, will be active as UA1OEJ/P from Solovetsky Islands between July 22-31th. Activity will be on the HF bands using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-083. Look for 19 members of the ARI La Spezia, lead by Jul/I1SAF, to be active as IP1T from Isola del Tino (IFF IFF-218, IIA SP-002, MIA MI-114, ITA ITA-058, WLOTA 0645) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/1-Stn/Low-Power entry. Opertaors mentioned are I1SAF, I1ANP, I1HBY, IZ1CLA, IZ1BZV, IZ1JOE, IZ1MHY, IZ1MHX, IW1PDP, IZ1NES, IZ1OSS, IZ1ELP, IK8XVA, IZ1JUP, IZ1REW, IZ1RWC, IZ1MHL, IZ1TRG, IZ1MHQ and IZ5JLF (ex- IZ1JLF). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using low power, with antennas: Windom (80-10m) and a vertical 1/4 wave on 40 meters. QSL via IZ5JLF, direct or by the Bureau (preferred).

EU-093. Spanish operators from the Asociaci&#65533;n Cultural Radioaficionados Costa Blanca, URE Dos Hermanas and Adriatic DX Team will be active as ED5K from Tabarca Island (ARLHS SPA-136, DIE E-006) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Outside the contest operators will use ED5RKB. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 with three stations on the air. During the contest operators will be on the air on the non-contest bands. Operators menitoned are Juanjo/EA1EN, Israel/EA1HVY, Juan Carlos/EA2RC, Antonio/EA2VE, Tony/EA5CRC, Fernando/EA5FX, Juan/EA5FHK, Tony/EA5HJO, Eugene/EA5HPX/UT2XD, Ivan/EA5IDH, Javi/EA5KM, Paco/EA7HHV, Antonio/EA7IQM, Luis-Enrique/EB5ESV, Mario/EB5BXK, Manolo/EB7ABJ, Alfonso/EC7AKV, Antonio/EC7JA, and for Logistics Josemi/EA5EEO. QSL via EA5RKB, direct or by the Bureau. Vist their Web page at: http://acracb.org/tabarca

EU-136. Jozef, OM5AW, will be active as 9A/OM5AW from Krk Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ SSB-Mode/Assisted/Low-Power/12HRS entry. QSL via OM2FY.

EU-144. Members of the Italian Sezione ARI of Cosenza will be active as ID8/IQ8CS from Dino Island (IIA CS-002) during the upcoming RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are Franco/IK8FKP, Francesco/IZ8EQF, Massimo/IZ8JBO, Costantino/IZ8EPX, Antonio/IK8UHA, Marco/IW8RMN, Antonio/ IW8PPZ, Emilio/I8SUE, Massimiliano/IZ8EPY, Pietro/IZ8FWN, Antonio/IW8ROL, Peppe/IZ8EBI, Renato/IZ8JCV, Pasquale/ IZ8IYX,

Francesco/IZ8JFA, Gianluigi/IZ8EWB and Rocco/IK8ERL. QSL via the Bureau. Visit the club's Web page at: http://www.aricosenza.it

EU-146. Operators Louis/PA0LCE, Arsene/ON4FE, Lieven/ON4PQ, Kurt/ON5UT, Joel/ON6JM, Eddy/ON7PO, Pat/ON7PQ and Walter/ON8LW will be active as PF4C from Schouwen Duiveland, Netherlands, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via ON4ON.

EU-172. Joergen, OZ0J, will be active as 5Q2T from Fyn Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ 24-Hrs/Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via OZ0J.

EU-179. Members of the Beer Lovers International Radio Club, the Dnepropetrovsk Radio Club and Tavria Radio Club will be active from the Kalanchakskiye Islands between July 24-30th. The group plans to operate on CW, SSB and RTTY, and use the callsign UT7E/p during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL UT7E/p via UT7EZZ, and all others via their home callsigns.

NA-128. Operators Robin/VE2DRO, Claude/VE2ZOS, Rock/VE2TCQ and Jean-Pierre/VA2SG will be active as VE2DRO from Coudres Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/ Mixed-Mode entry. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE2DRO (SASE). Look for them on APRS: VE2DRO-7 and VA2SG-7.

OC-130. Bodo, DF8DX, will be active as DU8/DF8DX from Mindanao Island (WLOTA 2803) between July 26th and August 10th. Activity will also include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). If time permits, Bodo will activate other IOTAs in DU after the contest. QSL via DF8DX, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

OC-150. Members of the Organisasi Amatir Radio Indonesia (ORARI) will be active as YB9IOTA from Gili Trawangan Island in the Nusa Tenggara Barat Province during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. Operators mentioned are Bimbo/ YB3MM, Joppy/YB8XM, Kadek/YB9BU, Tjok/YB9BZ, Adi/YB9GV, Kardi/ YB9KA, Adhianto/YC0OIL, Santika/YC9HIU and Ferdiy/YC9MKF. QSL via YB9BU direct only.

SA-037. POSTPONED! Members of the Grupo DX Caracas, who were expected to activate La Blanquilla Island between July 11-16th, this past week, have announced that their operation was postponed until August (dates to be announced). There was no reason given for postponement.

J6, ST. LUCIA. Bill, K9HZ, will once again be active as J68HZ from his villa at Labrelotte Bay, Castries, St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336) between August 1-18th. Activity is usually on 80/40/20 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 3550, 7050 and 14050 kHz
SSB - 3770, 7155 and 14155 kHz
He also suggests to watch 40 or 20 meters between 1600-2400z daily. Bill will also be using his K3 radio and YP3 portable beam for the trip! QSL via his home callsign. ADDED NOTE: Bill, states, "I just counted up my QSL cards and found I am 5 states short of a WAS. I've probably worked them all but just don't have cards. I'll be looking for the following states for confirmed QSL cards next trip: Alaska, Nevada, North Dakota, South Carolina, and Vermont. If you have contacted me from one of these states previously, please remember to QSL. THANKS!"

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 16-22nd)....
Jul/16th AN Jul/19th HN Jul/21st AN
Jul/17th HN Jul/20th HN Jul/22nd AN
Jul/18th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

N2, UNITED STATES (LH Op). The Old Barney ARC will be operating from the Barnegat Lighthouse (Old Barney) (ARLHS Lighthouse # USA-039) on August 4th (rain date August 5th) from about 1300-2100z. Other reference numbers are IOTA NA-111 (Long Beach Island, NJ) and USI NJ-001S. Operation will be mostly 20 and 40 meters SSB. QSL via N2OB.

NQ2, UNITED STATES. Jaime, WP3A, will once again be active as NQ2A during the IARU HF World Championship (July 14-15th) from Brooksville, FL. He will be active from here until July 22nd. QSL via NP3O direct or by the LoTW.

OFFICERS FOR 2012-2013. On Monday, April 2nd (ed. I know it is a little late... Old age is setting in [the mind] and I'm a busy guy!), the members of Northern Ohio DX Association (NODXA) re-elected and elected (*) the following to serve as officers between May 2012 and April 2013:
President: Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Vice President: Dwaine Modock, K8ME
Secretary (*): Glenn Williams, AF8C
Treasurer: Mary Michaelis, N8DMM
Newsletter Editor: David Autry, WD8IOU
For more information about NODXA, check out the club's Web site at:
http://www.nodxa.org
Also, as of July 6th, NODXA is now on FaceBook (TNX to Brain, K3USC) at:
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 15th)

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5C13EAI via 6K5YPD DL0OB via DL5NBS MC0SOL via M0URX
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d) E717S via E73ESP N0C via W5HP
9A/ON5JE via ON5JE EE3URR via EA3URR OG3077F via OH3JF
A71DLH via DL0LH EG5FPN via EA7HBC OH0/F6CTF via F6CTF (d)
AO1ABT via EA1ABT F/ON5SY via ON5SY OS8A via ON8VK
AO1XT via EA1XT GX4WAB via G4WAB OZ/DH6MM via DH6MM
AO5GUQ via EA5GUQ H44UD via UT6UD PY5/AI6V via AI6V
AO5HOL via EA5HOL HF15POWODZ via SP9PRR RA/DL6XK via DL6XK
AO5KB via EA5KB HF15POW via SP6KEO SP15POW via SP6ZJP
AO5XA via EA5XA HF215MD via SQ3MVE SW8Y via HA1YA
AO7FTZ via EA7FTZ IH9/IK5BCM via IK5BCM TM70TE via F5KBB
AO7HMC via EA7HMC JF3CTR/JD1 via JF3CTR TO5U via K9FY
AO7IZJ via EA7IZJ LG5LG via LA4EKA VK100WIQ via (VK-B)
AO8ADL via EA8ADL LX/DK5ON via DK5ON XE3/OH2NSW via OH2NSW -
CM8AKD via EA7FTR LX/DK5ON via DK5ON (XE-Address)
DA0HQ via DL5AXX LZ8SIX via LZ2CC XM3JO via VE3JO
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

9K CALLSIGNS ON CLUGLOG'S OQRS. Hamad, 9K2HN, informs that he has enabled the OQRS service on Clublog.org for the following callsigns he manages: 9K0A, 9K2F (AS-118), 9K2HN/P (AS-118), 9K2USA, 9K47NLD, 9K5HN and 9K9X. He also mentioned, "I will not be adding my own call to the above list because I still enjoy collecting qsl cards."

MALPELO UPDATE. QSL Manager Bob, N2OO, reports, "if you worked HK1MW, HK1N, HK1T or HK6F in January 2012, then you really worked MALPELO. These four men were the advance team setting up the gear for the HK0NA DXpedition. During that time, they operated using their home calls without using a portable identifier. These QSOs count for Malpelo! Special photo QSLs have been printed and are now available via N2OO. Go to <http://df3cb.com/oqrs/n2oo/> for OQRS (direct and bureau) or <www.qsl.net/n2oo/history/qsl-n2oo.htm> for direct mail information, etc."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 1A0C, 4Z5MU, 9A2UZ, 9M2TO, 9M0L, AB1JM, AE5P, BD5WW, CR6K, CT1HFS, DL0CS, E75MC, ED5WW, EI9KC, G3OFA, GI4DOH, GM0OAA, K6RV, KH2L, KM0O, KP4ED, LX1AX, MJ0ASP, N4KG, N4NX, N6NH, RI1ANF, RU6AT, TX1B, UA2FR, UR3IFD, UW2M, UX1VT, UZ0U, VY0/AH6EZ, W2SE, WB4DCM and WS7V

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C6A, 6O0CW, 9L0W, A52AB, A35YZ, AH8A, C31VM, D44BS, E51EWP, E51M, FO5QB, FY5PO, GW4UDG/P, GW0VSW, KW6GM, LX1NO, LY2PX, RI1ANF, SU9VB, SV2ASP/A, TO3X, VK2KM and WP3DZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Drew, K9QV, is now currently active as P29VAC from Port Moresby. However, Drew informed OPDX on Friday that he may

be in PNG for only a few more days (specific date was given). He also states, "I have been checking into the Southern Cross DX net on 14.238.5 MHz at 1030z when I am able. Operations have mainly been on 20m. Common modes are SSB, CW, JT-65." According to QRZ.com, he is using a KX3 w/10 watts into a Buddistick vertical. QSL via K9QV, direct or eQSL.

P4, ARUB. "The Daily DX" reports that Jack/W6NF and his XYL Shelley/ K7MKL will be on holiday in Aruba at the P49Y rental station between August 15-21st, and be active as P40NF and P40S, respectively. Shelley plans to be in the SARTG RTTY Contest. Outside of the contest, both operators will be casually active. Jack will be mostly on 20/15/10 meters CW, and possibly 6 meters if they find an antenna. Listen to operator's instructions for QSL info.

P5, NORTH KOREA (Update). If you missed the special bulletin (OPDX.1069.1) on Rick, K6VVA, explaining/addressing "some of the assumptions, specu- lations and inaccurate" which is being passed/posted around on various places, go to: http://www.papays.com/opdx1069.1.html
The letter is also available in PDF format at:
http://www.k6vva.com/p5/p5infoupdates.html

R1, EUROPEAN RUSSIA. Members of the AFARU (Armed Forces Amateur Radio Union) will be active as R100WWS from any areas of Russia between August 10-18th. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Military Air Forces of Russia (formed on August 12, 1912). Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSL via RV3YR.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Croatian operators and members of the Croatian unit of the ISAF, Maj/9A7TJ and Vlado/9A3QM, will be active as T6TJ and T6VT, respectively, situated in camp Marmal in Mazar e Sharif City (Balkh province), until the end of September. Emir, 9A6AA, informs OPDX that he helped obtain their licenses through the Chief ISAF Spectrum Manage- ment Bureau of ISAF Headquarters which took several months to obtain and received on July 11th. Activity will be holiday style (but they are not on holiday) with operation mainly on SSB and the Digital modes. Maj, T6TJ, will operate mainly on the Digital mode using a FT2000, and Vlado, T6VT, will operate mainly SSB with a FT-857. They will be using wire antennas. QSL both operators via 9A6AA. For more updated info, pictures and logs see: http://www.inet.hr/9a6aa

T8, PALAU. Shuji, JA1FMN, will be active as T88FK from Babeldaob Island (OC-009) between July 17-19th. Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters using SSB, FM and PSK31. Operations will be mainly on 17 meters and on 15 meters (PSK31 and SSB). If propagation is good, look for operations on 6 meters SSB and 10 meters FM. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to: Shuji Yamanishi, 72-83-203 Toyoshiki Kashiwa- city, Chiba 277-0863 Japan.

TX0, AUSTRAL ISLANDS (IOTA Op). Philippe, FO4BM, will be active as TX0HF from the following French Polynesia IOTAs which count for the Austral Islands for DXCC:
OC-152 • Tubuai Island; Now through July 21st

OC-050 - Rurutu Island; July 21-23rd
Activity will probably be on 20/15/10/6 meters SSB. QSL via F4FJH.

V8, BRUNEI (Update to OPDX.1064). Members of the Gemilang Amamteur Radio Club (GEMILANG Radio) and the Mediterraneo DX Club will team-up and sponsor/plan another DXpedition, this time to Brunei (OC-088). The multi-national team (90% of the team operated during the 9N7MD DXpedition) will be active as V84SMD between November 11-23rd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to have 15 to 18 operators with 4 to 5 stations on the air 24 hours. The group has now activated a survey on band/mode needs on their Web page at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd/brunei-survey
QSL via IK2VUC, direct, by the Bureau or the OQRS. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW 4-5 months after the activity. The V84SMD Web page is now online at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Operators Seppo/OH1VR and Henri/OH3JR will be active as VK9/homecall from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) between November 17-27th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Also, they will both participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as two Single-Op/Single-Band (bands not provide) entry. QSL via their home callsigns ONLY direct (SAE + IRC or 2 USDs).

VP9, BERMUDA. Kyle, WA4PGN, informs OPDX that he will be on his honeymoon with his wife Pam on Bermuda (NA-005) between July 13-22nd. He states, "I will operate as time permits during the IARU HF Championships (July 14-15th), CQWW VHF Contest (July 21-22th) and the North American RTTY QSO Party (July 21-22nd). Especially looking for contacts on 6 meters." QSL VP9/WA4PGM direct to his home callsign with SASE or SAE and return postage. QSL VP9I (DX club callsign) to N1HRA. See: http://vp9ge.com/vp9i.htm

WEB PAGE ACTIVATED. Natig, 4J5T, informs OPDX readers that the members of the "Safari" DX-activators club have activated the following Web page to get you familiar with their expeditions, on-air activities, to learn some special issues linked to opportunity for DXing in Azerbaijan. Please visit and comment on their Web page at: http://safari.16mb.com/wordpress

XE, MEXICO (Grids On The Birds). David, XE3DX, will be a on a family vacation between July 16-20th, but plans to activate some grid squares on SO-50 and AO-27 only. He will be active on most of the day passes, and plans to operate from EK48, EK49, EK69, EL50, EL51, EL61 and EL60, in the Campeche, Yucatan and Quintana Roo States. He will return home between July 30th-August 4th. QSL direct or by LoTW (preferred).

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia announced that they have received a landing permit from the NZ Dept. of Conservation for ZL9HR Campbell Island (OC-037) DXpedition in November. The dates are now offical and the operation will take place between November 28th and December 9th, 2012. The ZL9 Campbell Island (NZ) is Number 15 on the current DXCC most wanted list. The ZL9HR DXpedition team is Tommy/VK2IR (Team Leader), John/VK3YP

(Co-Leader), Les/W2LK, Gene/K5GS, Dave/K3EL, Glenn/KE4KY, Jacques/ZL3CW,
Pista/HA5AO, Don/VE7DS and John/9M6XRO. The official Web site is at:
http://www.zl9hr.com

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1257. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 15th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120715200004.0823C33C57@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2524
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 15th July 2012

Terry Stevens G8DKS - SK

It has been announced that the RSGB VHF Manager Terry Stevens G8DKS died suddenly on Sunday, July 8th. Only 2 weeks ago Terry was representing the Society at meetings in Friedrichshafen. We extend our sincerest sympathy to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

This year Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.

To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB will be aired between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013. The station will be operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led by Declan EI9HQ and Pete EI4GZB. QSLs to Declan EI9HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

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Volvo Ocean Race (EI12VOR)

Galway Radio Experimenters Club have just completed a successful week long series of activities in conjunction with the finale of the Round the World Volvo Ocean Race. Portable activites were carried out from the Scout Camp located at South Park, Claddagh, which was part of the overall site. During the week scouts were introduced to the wonders of the hobby. Short talks and demonstrations were given on topics which included, propagation, conctruction, communications methods, morse code, as well as other aspects of the hobby. Scouts showed a great interest in all aspects of the hobby and were very pleased to have any questions answered in a very down to earth and practical manner. Indeed the speed that some took to learning morse was a joy to behold. Scouts from the Galway region as well as all over the country were in attendance and listed their visit to the "The Shack" as one of the most enjoyable. And so popular was the experience that we had several who made repeat visits. Many thanks to the many visiting amateurs who visited us on site.

Joyce Country Challenge

Saturday the 21st of July sees GREC providing AREN assistance to the Joyce Country Challenge, a mountain walk held in the Finney region of South Mayo/ North Galway area. The walk is over a mountainous region, and requires the positioning of operators in stratigec locations along the route. In the region of two hundred walkers are expected for this event.

Inishbofin

Saturday the 21st of July is rather a busy day in the calendar of GREC as it is also the date on which we embark on our week long, annual dxpedition to the Island of Inishbofin. Keep an ear out for EJ4GRC over the week. As usual all bands and many modes will be operated.

North Cork Radio Club

After a fun day in the Mountains, North Cork Radio Group is now gearing up for their August events, and this month is going to be a top month for activations by NCRG. No less than 3 field days are planned, making these events no. 7, 8 and 9 for NCRG in 2012.

Wednesday 8-August: a UNIQUE activation; Spike Island on the Air - CASHOTA reference: EI019/C

Saturday 18-August: Blackrock Castle Observatory -CASHOTA reference: EI009/C

Sunday 19-August: Roches Point Lighthouse - ILLW reference: EI0010

Events are always free to attend, and we welcome all visitors at Blackrock Castle and Roches Point Lighthouse. If anyone would like to come along, work our station and join the fun... let us know!! We hope to see you or work you from those exciting locations!

The Spike Island activation, although still free, is confined to NCRG members only - this due to restrictions of the location, but we really hope to work you from "Irelands Alcatraz"!

Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club

Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club from Dervock, Co. Antrim, will be running a Special Event Station on Saturday 21st July 2012 in conjunction with the Kennedy Kane McArthur Marathon celebrations. The call sign used will be GB0KKM. Dervcock-born Ken McArthur was the winner of the Marathon at the 1912 Olympics in Stockholm; more details on Kennedy Kane McArthur can be found at www.bit.ly/LRrK3T

DX News

Peter ON8ZZ and his two sons ON3NT and ON3JA will be on the Channel Islands from 16 - 26 July. They will operate from Guernsey as MU/OT9Z

until 20 July with side-trips to Sark on 17 July, Alderney on 18 July and Herm on 19 July. This will be followed by an operation from Jersey from 20 - 26 July using MJ/OT9Z. Finally they will travel to the French Island of Chausey, IOTA EU-039, where they will sign F/OT9Z. While on Chausey they will team up with the TM7T group to take part in the IOTA Contest on 28/29 July.

Bob W5UQ and Bill W5SJ will be QRV from the Caribbean island of Montserrat as VP2MUQ and VP2MSJ respectively from 17 - 24 July. They will focus on 30, 17 and 12m mainly CW. QSLs for both stations go via W5JAY.

Miquelon Island IOTA NA-032 will be activated by Yuri VE3DZ and Victor VA2WDQ from 20 - 31 July. They will use the calls FP/VE3DZ and FP/VA2WDQ. During the IOTA Contest they will operate as TO2U.

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria several special stations are active until the end of this year. Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and 7Y50I. Details of a special award in connection with this event can be found on QRZ.COM

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1258. eHam.net News for Sunday 15 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-15 22:19:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f647b3b2c665d04c4e5b330@google.com>
Source record: 2525
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hams: We're Good in a Disaster -- UK Radio Society Boss:

Posted: 14 Jul 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28632

Bearded radio fans also NASA's go-to guys for controlling Mars rovers: They look unassuming, but these quiet types murmuring strings of numbers and letters into their transceivers are manning back-up comms for the world, the communication system most likely to survive an apocalyptic event. These are the people who maintain the kit we fall back on when masts jam, cables break and global comms fail. "In disasters they rely on us," said Carlos Eavis of the National Radio Society, at the opening of the National Radio centre yesterday. "In 9/11, all the mobile masts were on the Twin Towers, but the radio signals still worked. "When the tsunami struck we were the first people to be able to report it and to get information in and out. We can provide the back-up and support in an emergency, because amateur radio requires no infrastructure." Amateur radio fans are also the people NASA turn to when they want to work out how to remotely control a truck on Mars, or need help picking up signals that are outside of NASA's Deep Space Network. NASA use amateur radio as a one-stop shop for research for questions like how to work out remote control [for] a vehicle on Venus or connect to such-and-such a satellite. Because of the breadth of knowledge and understanding of the spectrum, we can answer questions like that. Amateur radio types can also chat to the astronauts, as there's a ham radio centre on the International Space Station. Closer to home, UK emergency services have asked Raynet, which organises and trains radio amateurs, to provide emergency radio connectivity when satellite, mobile and fixed line comms fail.

1259. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 15 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-16 02:34:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f9fad9e9c04c4e942b0@google.com>
Source record: 2526
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams - Times of India

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 03:58 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ96xjdcQ35dHk5mAUgSaMGpc8LQ&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Ham-radio-to-link-Ahmedabad-students-with-Sunita-Williams/articleshow/14972807.cms

The Hindu
Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams
Times of India
Ham radio or amateur radio is frequently used for the communication from space to earth and vice versa and in the past, many of the astronauts stationed at ISS have had talks with students narrating their experiences and answering their queries. So far ...
Students wish Sunita Williams best of luckDaily News & Analysis

all 710 news articles

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Radio man, 95, keeps mind sharp with on-air friends - Memphis Commercial Appeal

Posted: 14 Jul 2012 10:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEtOW8DnRcoWDN1mxd70A6RfALUzQ&url=http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/jul/15/radio-man-95-keeps-mind-sharp-with-on-air/

Radio man, 95, keeps mind sharp with on-air friends
Memphis Commercial Appeal
... who bowls twice a week, plays bridge every Tuesday, does a mile three times a week on the treadmill, didnt have a sniffle last winter, has never taken a flu shot and spends countless hours talking to folks all over the world as a member of the ...

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Sultanate Takes Part at International Radio Amateurs Contest - Oman News Agency

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 06:58 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEM2CUqvHOEQp-YGUdbN85mNR0_mQ&url=http://www.omannews.gov.om/ona/english/newsDetails_inc.jsp?newsID%3D132980

Sultanate Takes Part at International Radio Amateurs Contest
Oman News Agency

Muscat, July 15 (ONA) --- The Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society (ROARS) takes part at the annual international contest organized by the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) with participation from more than (200) associations from different parts ...

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Amateur Radio club to hold on-air satellite demonstration - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 12:40 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEJo9pvdn7YDmf17WM0ZhKWWK6wWA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/satellite_demonstration.htm

Amateur Radio club to hold on-air satellite demonstration
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Listen for Patrick, WD9EWK/VA7EWK on VO-52 at 0200 UTC July 17 during his on-air satellite demonstration at the Tri-City Amateur Radio Association meeting in Goodyear, Arizona.

1260. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 16 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-16 06:19:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30334f9feba1c204c4ec6a2d@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Lawrenceburg, KY, Sunday August 12, 2012

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 07:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354070-Lawrenceburg-KY-Sunday-August-12-2012&goto=newpost

Bluegrass Amateur Radio Society

2012 BARS Central Kentucky Hamfest

August 12, 2011; 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

American Legion Post 34 Fair Grounds

725 West Broadway (U.S. 62),

Lawrenceburg, KY 40324

http://www.bluegrassars.org/

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Huntington, WV Saturday August 11, 2012

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 07:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354069-Huntington-WV-Saturday-August-11-2012&goto=newpost

TARA Hamfest 2012

50th Annual TARA Hamfest!

August 11, 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Life & Health Center

Christ Temple Church

2400 Johnstown Road

Huntington, WV

Email W8VA@arrl.net

http://www.orgsites.com/wv/taraclub/

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Berryville, VA, Sunday August 7, 2012

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 07:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354068-Berryville-VA-Sunday-August-7-2012&goto=newpost

61st Annual Berryville Hamfest

in Berryville, Virginia

Always the first Sunday in August!

The Shenandoah Valley Amateur Radio Club presents the

60th Annual Berryville Hamfest and Computer Show

Sunday, August 7, 2011 at the

Clarke County Ruritan Fairgrounds in

Berryville, Virginia

Gate opens at 6:00 AMGeneral Admission $6.00 (children under 16 free)Tail-gaters additional $10.00 per spaceCommercial and indoor tables by reservationCountry ham and egg breakfastConcessions and snack bar availableRuritan's famous chicken and beef barbecueVE Exams - same dayTalk-in 146.82- call W4RKCPrizes awarded hourlyCounty park with pool, picnic area, and playground opposite hamfest

Volunteer Exams at Cooley School, across the road from the Hamfest - Walk-ins welcome. All classes. Registration begins at 12 noon. Exams begin promptly at 1 PM. Bring photo ID.

Download a copy of this flyer (in PDF) for distribution.

Download a copy of the Hamfest Grounds(in PDF)

Table reservations and other forms (first come, first served): Download reservation form(s) in Adobe Acrobat file format.

$20.00 - air conditioned building. $15.00 in other buildings. Large tail-gating area with ample shade under the big oak trees. Also, electric power is available for testing purposes at various places within the tailgating area. For reservations and table assignments please contact: Teresa Orndorff KJ4DOR

540-533-0961

Or write:

S.V.A.R.C.

P.O. Box 139 Winchester, VA 22604 Reservations not confirmed until you receive your signed returned application. All vendors/tail-gaters are also required to purchase a $6.00 general admission ticket as well as your $10.00 per space rental fee. No refunds after July 1st. There will be a 10% charge on refunds prior to July 1st.

http://www.svarc.us/hamfest/

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Randolph, OH Sunday July 29th, 2012

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 07:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354066-Randolph-OH-Sunday-July-29th-2012&goto=newpost

The Portage Amateur Radio Club invites you to HAMFAIR 2012.

Our 26th year for Radio Amateurs, Computer and Electronic Enthusiasts.

Will be held at the Portage County Fairgrounds in Randolph, OH,

between Akron & Youngstown, OH on State rt 44, 4 mile south of I-76.

GPS Coordinates : 41° 2' 36.22" N 81° 14' 25.66" W

Talk-in on 145.390 -

Unlimited free parking, indoor vendors & huge outdoor flea market.

Breakfast & lunch courtesyof the Portage county 4H club.

VE Exams, Bring original & copy of license, photo ID & fee.

ARRL Officials, have a question, ask them.

Vendors for the ladies.

Donation Advanced $ 5.00 at the gate $ 6.00

Indoor tables with electricity, $ 15.00 each Flea Market Space, $ 5.00

Main Prize drawing 2:30 pm. Hourly drawing & mobile check-in prize.

Reservations & info to:

Joanne Solak, KJ3O

Secretary/Treasurer, Portage Amateur Radio Club, inc.

9971 Diagonal Road

Manatua, OH 44255

330-274-8240

kj3o@hotmail.com

http://portagearc.org/hamfair/

1261. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 16 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-16 11:03:10 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba613bfcc7b8b504c4f05fe5@google.com>
Source record: 2528
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Busy month for North Cork Radio Club

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After a fun day in the mountains, North Cork Radio Group is now gearing up
for their August events, and this month is going to be a top month for
activations by NCRG. No less than 3 field days are planned

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Ecuador, heading into space

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A DNEPR rocket currently slated to launch from Yasny in November should
carry 17 Amateur Radio satellites plus an innovative educational satellite
NEE-01 Pegasus from Ecuador

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Deputy Director appointed for the Midwest Region

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Radio Amateurs of Canada Midwest Region Director, Derek Hay, VE4HAY, is
pleased to appoint Allan Grant, VA4AJG, as Deputy Director for the Region

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Book now for the Durban RTA this Saturday

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Bookings have been coming in steadily and it looks like we are heading for
a bumper Radio Technology in Action Symposium this Saturday

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Volvo Ocean Race - EI12VOR

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Galway Radio Experimenters Club have just completed a successful week long series of activities in conjunction with the finale of the Round the World Volvo Ocean Race

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Supersonic Freefall

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Sometime this summer, Austrian skydiver Felix Baumgartner will leap from the edge of space, attempting to not only break the sound barrier with his body, but also break the record for the longest freefall from nearly 37km altitude

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Vintage Field Day video

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Vintage video with WMUR TV news footage of the Central New Hampshire Amateur Radio Club operating 1986 ARRL Field Day Weekend

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Wessex Contest Group - On air from Skye

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A brief slide show and audio recording of MS0WCB on the Isle of Skye

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South Cook Islands

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Norman, 5B4AIF, will be active as E51E from a villa in Tautu Village on Aitutaki Island (OC-083) between December 10th, 2012 and January 5th, 2013

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 15th July 2012

The news headlines:

* Government Minister opens RSGB National Radio Centre

* Terry Stevens, G8DKS, Silent Key

* Optical Morse code in space

On Wednesday 11 July, Ed Vaizey, Minister for Culture, Communications and the Creative Industries at the Department of Culture, Media and Sport officially opened the National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park, Milton Keynes. After a tour of the new building and unveiling a plaque in the entrance, Ed Vaizey, MP said, "The National Radio Centre will do an enormous amount to spread the knowledge about the history of radio and its continuing importance in the 21st century." Joining the RSGB to celebrate the opening of the NRC were many high profile visitors, including Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, Vice-President of the IARU and Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, CEO & Secretary of the ARRL. Many of the NRC's valued sponsors were represented, as were those who work hard to demonstrate and showcase the NRC to the public. The National Radio Centre is open Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 11am to 4.30pm. More details, and photographs of the event, can be found on the website, www.nationalradiocentre.com.

It is with great sadness that the RSGB has learned of the death of Terry Stevens, G8DKS, RSGB VHF Manager. Only two weeks ago Terry was representing the Society at meetings in Friedrichshafen. Our thoughts are with his family at this time. Meanwhile, David Butler, G4ASR has offered to step into the role until a permanent VHF Manager can be appointed.

The amateur radio CubeSat FITSAT-1 will carry an optical communications experiment that aims to write Morse Code across the night sky using high intensity LEDs. It launches to the ISS on 21 July, from where it will be deployed in September. For more information see www.uk.amsat.org/2037.

Guernsey RAYNET group is taking part in the Worked All Britain event following the Olympic torch using GP7WAB today, Sunday 15 July. Planned operation will be from 0800 until 2255UTC on all HF bands plus 6m, 2m and 70cm as conditions allow. As Jersey ARS are also taking part on the same day, it's expected that many beams will be pointing south and the

groups are hoping for better band conditions than of late. Further details from Tom, 2U0TKB on 07781 405083.

Several operations have been approved for DXCC credit. These include the 2012 operations 3C0E from Annobon, 3C6A from Equatorial Guinea, 5X1RO from Uganda and XW4XR from Laos. Also approved are the 2011 J25DXA and 2010 J28RO operations from Djibouti. If you've had any of these operations rejected in a recent DXCC submission, please send an email to bmoore@arrl.org to be put on the list for an update.

UK amateurs may be interested to learn that there have been changes to the UK card checkers for the ARRL DXCC Award. Ian, G0KRL has retired as the G postal checker after 12 years. A huge vote of thanks is owed to Ian for his sterling service. He remains on the field checkers list for any local customers. G5LP is taking over as the G postal checker and his contact details are on the RSGB website. There is no change for the other UK areas; GM3YTS is still the postal checker. 160m contacts and deleted entities may now be Field checked. For the 160m cards the checker must be on the 160m DXCC list. In the UK, G5LP, G4BWP, GM3YTS are qualified to check 160m cards. DXCC has introduced an online application form and its use is requested by anyone who has access to it. Any questions may be sent to G4BWP via email to fredch@homeshack.freeserve.co.uk or to the postal checker by standard mail, enclosing an SAE for a reply. Check out the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/committees/spectrumforum/details-of-hf-awards.php.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 16 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 15 July, the McMichael Rally and Boot Sale takes place at Reading Rugby Club, just off the A4 east of Reading. There is free car parking and the gates open at 9.30am. Admission is £2. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and a car boot area. More details from Pete, G8FRC on 01189 695 697.

QRP in the Country takes place today, Sunday 15 July, at Upton Bridge Farm, Long Sutton, Langport, Somerset TA10 9NJ, regardless of the weather. Organiser Tim Walford says the cattle sheds have been cleaned and it will be indoors if the weather stays bad. The farm gate opens at 10am. Don't forget to bring your entries for the Ten Part Receiver Challenge, he adds.

There are no details of rallies taking place next weekend. On 29 July, the Horncastle Summer Rally and the Blind Veterans UK Radio and Computer Rally are scheduled to take place.

Now for the news of special events

Riviera Amateur Radio Club will be operating a portable station from Brixham Breakwater on Thursday 19 and Friday 20 July in support of RNLI Torbay's Lifeboat Week 2012. The club callsign MX0RIV will be active on

HF and VHF. Up-to-date frequencies are on the club website, www.rivieraarc.org.uk.

The RSGB team in the IARU contest that ends today, 15 July, is using GO2HQ. This is in advance of the general validity of O prefix NoVs, which commence at 0000BST on 21 July.

F5SKW and several other French radio amateurs will be on the air throughout today, 15 July, as TM70TRS or TM70TE from the 3rd floor of the Eiffel Tower, Paris. This activity is to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the French Army Signal Corps. The operation will use CW, SSB and RTTY on the HF and VHF bands. A special QSL card will be available. QSL via the F6KHX Amateur Radio Club or F5OGL, direct or via the REF QSL Bureau.

GB2VET, celebrating the Army, Navy and Air Force Reunion's 10 anniversary, will be operational from 27 to 29 July from East Park in the city of Hull. Plans are to operate all available bands using both World War 2 and modern gear. Modes will include D-Star on VHF and UHF. There will also be a display of vintage equipment as well.

GB4GBO will be on the air celebrating the London Olympic and Paralympic Games. Operated by the Sands Contest Group at various times between 21 July and 10 September, the group hope to work many stations.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The St Paul Island CY9M operation will be on the air from 26 July to 1 August. This rare island is located approximately 14 miles northeast of the northern tip of Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, Canada. QSL via M0URX.

Special event callsign 3G90AA will be in use on all bands and modes until 31 July to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Radio Club of Chile. QSL via CE3AA.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 16 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Heinz, DL4AO/P is active from Fehmarn Island, EU-128, until 20 July. He plans to operate CW, RTTY, PSK and JT65A on 30, 20, 17, 15 and 12 metres. QSL via his home callsign, the bureau is preferred.

Frank, DL1FT is active holiday style as ES0FTZ from Saaremaa Island, EU-034, until 19 July. His preferred bands are 40 and 20 metres. QSL via DL1FT, Logbook of The World and eQSL.

Now the contest news

The 2012 IARU HF World Championships takes place this weekend, 14 and 15 July, ending at 1200UTC today. The objective of this contest is to contact as many other amateurs around the world as possible, especially IARU Member Society HQ stations, using the 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre bands, on phone and or CW. The UK HQ station will be active and looking for as many QSOs as possible on as many HF contesting bands and

modes as possible with as many people as possible. This includes UK stations. They will be using a very special callsign for the event, GO2HQ, which should get them noticed. The exchange is signal report and ITU zone, which for the UK is 27. As in previous years, there are awards for individuals and clubs who work the UK HQ station. The rules are at www.gr2hq.com.

On 17 July the UHF UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the 1.3GHz band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 19 July it's the data leg of the 80m club championships running from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is the usual signal report and serial number.

Sunday 22nd sees the Low Power Contest taking place. There are two power categories, 10W and 3W, and sections for fixed and portable stations. That makes four categories, and a trophy is awarded to the winner of each. Running from 0900 to 1600UTC on the 3.5 and 7MHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and power.

The 70MHz Trophy Contest on Sunday 22nd is one that has increased in popularity, especially now that more countries have access to the band. Last year there was a record number of entries. Running from 1000 to 1600UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 6th to Thursday the 12th of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 13th of July.

As one large sunspot group rotated out of view on the 6th, another rotated into view on the 7th. The departing region produced an X1 class solar flare on the 6th and a number of M class solar flares every day until it disappeared. The new region also produced the occasional M class solar flare and, on the 12th, an X1 solar flare. This was accompanied by a large coronal mass ejection that is heading our way. Solar flux levels increased from 158 units on the 6th to 178 by the 8th, levels then declined to 162 by the 11th. The average was 167 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 12th was 127 units, that's six units up on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from C2.4 units on the 6th to B7 by the 12th. The average was C1.1 units. Geomagnetic activity started at unsettled levels due to a coronal hole disturbance on the 6th. The only quiet day was the 7th, with an Ap index of 8 units, but by the next day a series of coronal mass ejections arrived from the solar flare activity that occurred several days earlier. This lasted for the rest of the period. The 9th was the most disturbed day, with an Ap index of 38 units. The average was Ap 16 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 370 and 560 kilometres per second. Particle densities were moderate to high until the 11th and then declined to low until the end of the period. Bz varied between minus 9 and plus 10 nanoTeslas on the most disturbed

day, the 9th. The Bz remained negative for almost all of the 9th, and it was for this reason that the Ap figure

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 16 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. was so high. 50MHz and 70MHz Es propagation continued on most days. Radio aurora was reported on 50 and 144MHz on several days, the best of which was the 9th, when stations in southern England reported contacts during the afternoon and early evening.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view. There will however be a large sunspot group visible, which could be capable of producing the occasional M class solar flare. Solar flux levels are expected to decline and by next weekend be around the 120 mark. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels, however, if an Earthward directed coronal mass ejection takes place then activity would increase. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 14MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate will be around 28MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 22MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1400 and 2200 hours. Sporadic-E is expected most days on the lower VHF bands. The chance of an opening taking place on 144MHz is now becoming less.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday, and there's a free 'n' easy evening at the club on Tuesday. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is holding a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm, and on Friday there is a club net on GB3FR from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

On Monday 16 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club LSWC is holding a committee meeting on Monday. On Tuesday they are taking part in the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest from the shack and on Wednesday there's a formal meeting at the BSA Club at 20.15. There's a club net on 145.375MHz from 8pm on Thursday, and Saturday morning sees the surgery in the shack and a visit to RAF Scampton. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting on Monday. Tuesday sees revision in case of exam re- sits, and on Friday it's shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 16 July Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is holding a DF hunt in Welland Valley on Monday, then on Thursday they are taking part in the 80m CC DATA contest. On Friday the club starts operating its Olympic special event station, which will be active until 12 August. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 16 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a newcomers night and informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 16 July Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the use of meters and ATUs. Details from Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Tuesday 17 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 17 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue, with members to bring their own food to cook. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 18 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is running a barbecue with other refreshments and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 18 July Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding debriefings on NFD and the DXpedition. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 19 July Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a talk on the 40m SDR project by Steve, G4HFT. Details from Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Friday 20 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding the 3rd round of the 2m DF Trophy. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

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NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual fox hunt on Monday, then taking part in the RSGB 80m Data Contest on

Thursday from club station G3RCM. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate and Advanced courses from 13:30 on Monday. Thursday sees a committee meeting and on the air evening from the Club Shack. Contact Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

On Wednesday 18 July Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt on Wednesday, and taking part in the 80m Data Club Contest on Thursday. Next Sunday, 22 July, they are taking part in the Low Power Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday 17 July Otley Amateur Radio Society is having a technical topics evening and holding a Morse class. Details from Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Tuesday 17 July Stockport Radio Society is having a talk on aerials for the urbanite by Tom, M0DCG. More information from Nigel Roscoe, on 07973 312 699.

On Wednesday 18 July Denby Dale Radio Club is having a club night and holding a committee meeting. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 18 July Goole Radio and Electronics Society is having a social evening. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Thursday 19 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club has a homebrew show and tell evening. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is closed on Thursday 19 July, but next Sunday they will be taking part in the RSGB Low Power Contest on 80m and 40m CW from Walker Park, Aberdeen. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

Ayr Amateur Radio Group is on its summer recess until 5 September.

Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club is closed on Thursday 19 July. Instead, on Sunday 22 July they are holding a barbecue as part of their receiver testing and antenna workshop event. Contact Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580.

On Tuesday 17 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

At 2pm on Wednesday 18 July Glenrothes & District Radio Club is visiting the Museum of Communications at Burntisland. Details from Laurie, MM0LJA, via email to mm0ljasecgc@btinternet.com.

On Friday 20 July West of Scotland ARS is having a club night. Contact Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is at the McMichael Rally & Boot Sale today. Wednesday sees a demonstration of data modes, including RTTY & PSK31, by G0VFW. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding its West Runton get-together today. Wednesday sees the club's Trophy Fox hunt, and on Thursday they are taking part in the RSGB 80m Club Championship, Data. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8 to 9pm on Monday. On Wednesday there's a slow CW Net on 3.570MHz between 1 and 2pm. Friday sees an 80m CW net from 1 to 2pm on 3.750MHz, then a 2m net from 8 to 9pm. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the WAB Follow the Torch event on Monday from WAB square SU60. Thursday sees a show-and-tell session where members bring along an amateur radio-related item that they are prepared to talk about. On Saturday they commence their weekend event at the South Downs Wood Fair at Queen Elizabeth Country Park near Petersfield. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Tuesday 17 July Radio Society of Harrow is having a social at Rayners Lane on Tuesday, Next Sunday they will be operating GX3EFX/P at Old Redding. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is staging its annual fox hunt on Wednesday, then taking part in the 80m Club Championship Data contest on Thursday. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a club night with CW practice on Thursday. Friday sees the club operating GX4WAB for Follow the Torch. Details from Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 15 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is operating GB0IS at Theydon Bois Donkey Derby. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Sunday 15 July Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is running the McMichael Radio Rally, Reading Rugby Club, Sonning. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Monday 16 July Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an evening DF hunt. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 16 July Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding its VHF contest. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 16 July Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a natter and fix-it night. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 17 July Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on new amateurs operating by G8MNY & G8ITB. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 17 July Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a club net night from 8.30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 17 July Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and demo of the Slim Jim antenna. Details from Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 16 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Tuesday 17 July Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a visit and talk by RSGB Regional Manager Alison, G8ROG on the latest RSGB developments, and by Larry, G4OXY on his 4m/6m J pole project. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday 18 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the WAB Follow the Torch event from the shack as GX4WAB, and holding a barbecue in the evening. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Wednesday 18 July Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is taking part in the WAB Follow the Torch event in WAB square TQ80. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Thursday 19 July Colchester Radio Amateurs are taking part in a club Scrapheap Challenge with Matt, 2E0XIS. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 19 July Cray Valley Radio Society is making its final preparations for the 2012L Olympic special event station, with the discussion led by Bob, M0MCV. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 19 July Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is taking part in the WAB Follow the Torch event as the route passes through Thanet. Contact Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 19 July Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning to visit to the RSGB National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 19 July Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on early TV receivers by Stephen Niechcial. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Thursday 19 July Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 20 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding the Chairman's barbecue, please note Cyprus Hall is closed that evening. More details from Rob, 2E0RJA on 01444 232129,

On Saturday 21 July Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club commences its Foundation course. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 21 July Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group has an Introduction to Data Modes by Andrew Vine, M0GJH. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Sunday 22 July Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the low power contest. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Today, South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is at QRP in the Country. On Thursday they will be trying to contact the Lundy DXpedition, which returns on Saturday. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its 80m net on Monday at 19.45, the 2m net on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 16 July Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Mike, G3PGA on compatibility issues between solar panel systems and amateur radio. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473.

On Monday 16 July Riviera Amateur Radio Club is holding a portable RV, with MX0RIV on the air. Details from Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 16 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Monday 16 July Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a talk on radio signal decoding. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 18 July Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 19 July Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 19 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 19 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio transceivers in photography by M0WOB. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 20 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and holding an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 16 July Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding an IOTA contest planning meeting. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 17 July Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is having an open night. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday 17 July Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

On Thursday 19 July Porthmadog and District Amateur radio society invites all local and visiting radio amateurs to a DVD presentation and talk by the Welsh Air Ambulance, Caernarfon division, at 19.30 for 20.00. The club meets at Madoc Yacht Club, Pen-y-Cei, Porthmadog LL49 9AY. More information from Bob, MW0RHD, on 07971 770 381.

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1265. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 09 - 15 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-16 15:30:10 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120716153002.D70E233C6F@panix2.panix.com>
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jul 16 1434 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
09 - 15 July 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels due to activity from a
complex of closely spaced regions in the southern hemisphere. These
spotted groups were made up of Regions 1519 (S15, L=107, class/area
Hsx/120 on 05 July), 1520 (S16, L=86, class/area Fkc/1460 on 12
July), and 1521 (S21, L=96, class/area Eki/300 on 12 July). Region
1520 grew into a large Fkc spot group with a Beta-Gamma-Delta
magnetic configuration with over 1300 millionths in area by 09 July
and continued to remain large and magnetically complex as it rotated
across the visible disk. Region 1520 produced M1 flares at 09/2307
UTC and 10/0514 UTC, an M2/1f flare at 10/0627 UTC, and a long
duration X1/2b flare at 12/1649 UTC. Associated with the X1/2b flare
were Type II (1268 km/s) and Type IV radio emissions along with an
800 sfu Tenflare and a geoeffective CME with an estimated
plane-of-sky speed of 1453 km/s. Region 1521 produced an M1/1f flare
at 14/0458 UTC. Region 1521 continued to grow through the period
into an Eki spot group with 300 millionths of area and a Beta-gamma
magnetic classification.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit began at
09/0130 UTC, reached a maximum of 19 pfu at 09/0430 UTC and ended at
09/1445 UTC. This event was likely associated with the 08 July M6/1n
flare at 08/1632 UTC from Region 1515 (S18, L=206, class/area
Fhc/900 on 06 July). A second greater than 10 MeV proton event began
at 12/1835 UTC, reached a maximum of 96 pfu at 12/2225 UTC, and
ended at 15/0200 UTC. This event was associated with the X1/2b flare
at 12/1649 UTC from Region 1520.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels on 09 and 15 July, but reached high levels 10
through 14 July.

Geomagnetic field activity was at unsettled to minor storm levels,
on 09 July, with high latitude major storm intervals due to residual
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CME effects likely associated with the 04 July M1 event. July 10 began with an isolated period of active levels and decreased to quiet to unsettled levels for the remainder of the day. On 11 and 12 July, activity was mostly quiet to unsettled with an isolated active period with high latitude intervals of minor to major storm levels. Quiet conditions were observed from 13 July till late on 14 July when a CME associated with the 12 July X1/2b flare arrived. At 14/1728 UTC, a shock was observed at the ACE spacecraft followed by a sudden impulse (27 nT) at the Boulder magnetometer at 14/1811 UTC. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft increased from approximately 350 km/s to 630 km/s while the Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) went south to around -12 nT. At around 15/0600 UTC, solar wind speed was around 600 km/s while the IMF Bz went south around -16 nT and stayed steadily southward through the end of the period. The geomagnetic field responded with active to major storm levels while minor to severe storm conditions were observed at high latitudes through the end of the summary period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
16 July - 11 August 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels through 18 July when Region 1520 is due to rotate off the West limb. Very low to low conditions are expected from 19 July through 20 July. Low to moderate conditions are expected from 21 July through the end of the period as old Regions 1515 and 1520 are due to return on 21 July and 01 August respectively.

There is a slight chance for a greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit until Region 1520 departs the visible disk on 18 July and again from 21 July through 11 August as old Regions 1515 and 1520 return.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 16 - 22 July, 24 - 27 July, and 03 - 11 August. High levels are expected on 23 July and again on 28 July - 02 August due to recurrent coronal hole effects.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period with minor to major storm periods due to the continued influence of the 12 July CME. Conditions will gradually return to quiet to active levels by the end of the day on 16 July. Mostly quiet to unsettled conditions are expected from17 - 21 July. On 22 - 23 July a coronal hole high speed stream is expected to become geoeffective causing mostly unsettled conditions. Quiet to unsettled conditions will prevail from 24 - 26 July. On 27 July, a co-rotating interaction region followed by a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream is expected to become geoeffective. Active to minor storm conditions are expected on 27 July while unsettled to active conditions are expected on 28 - 29 July. Conditions are expected to return to quiet to unsettled levels on 30 July through the end of the forecast period.

1266. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 16 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-16 16:16:56 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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K4C - Puerto Rico Constitution Day Special Event

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 08:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354211-K4C-Puerto-Rico-Constitution-Day-Special-Event&goto=newpost

Special event K4C to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Movimiento Radioaficionados de Puerto Rico (MRPR) ☐ WP4NPC, will hold on July 25, 2012, the special event K4C, marking the 60th anniversary of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (la Constitucion del Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico). The purpose of the activity is to commemorate this important date for Puerto Ricans and make it known around the world, through amateur radio, the recognition of one of the best written constitutions in the world.

The activity will take place on the campus of the National Park Julio Enrique Monagas of the Municipality of Bayamón from 10:00 am (1400 UTC). We will be operating in the HF bands between 10 & 40 meters, and locally on the chain of repeaters of the MRPR.

Repeaters:

Aguada ☐ 147.230 T-107.2

Bayamón ☐ 447.350 T-100.0

Canovanas ☐ 146.710 T-94.8

Corozal ☐ 146.670 T-94.8

Maricao ☐ 147.070 T-146.2

Maricao ☐ 447.800 T-136.5

Naranjito ☐ 147.230 T-127.3

Villalba ☐ 146.710 T-88.5

There will be a QSL card for this occasion via WP4NPC

Anyone interested in participating as an operator can communicate with:

Dennis-KP3CB

(787) 366-5465

e-mail kp3cb@yahoo.com

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EN1IFF from National Nature Park "Meotida" URFF-048

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 11:35 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354185-EN1IFF-from-National-Nature-Park-quot-Meotida-quot-URFF-048&goto=newpost

EN1IFF will be active from 20.07.12 to 22.07.12 from National Nature
Park "Meotida", WFF award directory URFF-048.

QSO will also valid for Ukrainian Lighthouse Award,
Lighthouse "Belosaraysky" ULA-035 (ARLHS UKR-002).

QTH-locator: KN86PU.

Team: US6IF, UR4IN, US8ITC, UR6ISU, UX2IO, UX3MZ.

They will be active on all HF bands CW and SSB, alo on the 144 and 430 MHz
on FM-mode.

QSL-maager: UR3IQT, via the bureau.

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Tired of ebay seller fees?? Check out ehamfest.com

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 08:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354176-Tired-of-ebay-seller-fees-Check-out-ehamfest-com&goto=newpost

W5TXR Electronic Labs in New Braunfels, Texas is putting together the
ultimate auction style website for hams and SWL's ONLY!

The informational website is www.ehamfest.com

we are looking for feedback and ideas for our up and coming super website!

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Thanks - M.A. Lacy -W5TXR

1267. eHam.net News for Monday 16 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-16 22:05:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614dc8042d1a04c4f9a0ce@google.com>
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eHam.net News

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Radio Man, 95, Keeps Mind Sharp with On-Air Friends:

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28633

There's a room in Dave Goggio's home in Bartlett where with the twist of a dial he can talk to people all over the world, a fact documented by a map with hundreds of multi-colored thumb tacks implanted on places like Antarctica, Russia and all across the U.S. From north to south and east to west fellow ham radio operators have heard: "Four-O-G-G, whisky-4, Oscar-Go-Go, Memphis, Tennessee, named Dave." Welcome to the world of this amazing man, a human version of the Energizer battery TV commercial rabbit. He celebrated his 95th birthday on June 22 by going to Baltimore to watch his beloved Orioles play the Washington Nationals. Goggio was born on June 22, 1917, the same year Walt Disney graduated from high school, President Woodrow Wilson asked Congress to declare war against Germany, the Raggedy Ann doll was invented and Boys Town was founded west of Omaha. We're talking about someone who bowls twice a week, plays bridge every Tuesday, does a mile three times a week on the treadmill, didn't have a sniffle last winter, has never taken a flu shot and spends countless hours talking to folks all over the world as a member of the American Radio Relay League, the national association for Amateur Radio in the U.S.

1268. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 16 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-17 03:10:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Source record: 2535
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Outdated code hinders growth of amateur radio - Jamaica Gleaner

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 11:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHOaC94ET-FQV-50E0gzCdKcZGolg&url=http://jamaica-gleaner.com/gleaner/20120716/news/news2.html

Jamaica Gleaner
Outdated code hinders growth of amateur radio
Jamaica Gleaner
Nigel Hoyow, president of the Jamaica Amateur Radio Association (JARA), has stated that there was a deficiency in young amateur radio operators (ham) due to the fact that the current system operates under Morse code...

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Local hams link St. Martin cane field to the rest of the world - TecheToday.com

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 09:44 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGuYz2-q5EulvfQ9S8aeM1lGzQZig&url=http://techetoday.com/bookmark/19339305-Local-hams-link-St-Martin-cane-field-to-the-rest-of-the-world

Local hams link St. Martin cane field to the rest of the world
TecheToday.com
St. Martinville – On the weekend of June 23 and 24, the local area amateur radio club once again participated in the annual ham radio contest sponsored by ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. The local ham radio club, known as the ...

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Slidell amateur radio operators spend Field Day communicating - NOLA.com

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 03:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHBbFPpJiy-f_rOlIAtw-XgaNAL-A&url=http://www.nola.com/community/st-tammany/index.ssf/2012/07/slidell_amateur_radio_operator.html

NOLA.com
Slidell amateur radio operators spend Field Day communicating
NOLA.com
“See that – thats a signal,” said John Guthans, sitting with his wife and fellow “ham” radio enthusiast, Judy, outside the Ozone Amateur Radio Club Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in central Slidell. a.oarc1.jpg Chris Granger, The Times-PicayuneJay ...

1269. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-038E - Ottawa based technically qualified (landmobile radio systems) volunteer needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-17 05:11:04 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5004F376.6030303@rac.ca>
Source record: 2536
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-038E - Ottawa based technically qualified (land
mobile radio systems) volunteer needed
2012-07-17

As a member of the Canadian Interoperability Technology Interest
Group, CITIG, we have been invited to appoint a volunteer to sit on
the 700Mhz definition working group. This group will sit at the table
with Public Safety Canada, government agencies and the private
business sector to develop the 700Mhz Emergency Communications
program. It is anticipated that 2 or three Ottawa meetings will be
necessary as well as occasional teleconferences. If you possess skills
and interest in this area, and would like to be considered for this
position, please drop me a note.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

dougvo1dtm@gmail.com

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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1270. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 17 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-17 06:06:48 UTC
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Source record: 2537
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Tropical Hamboree MIAMI HAMFEST

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 12:33 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354240-Tropical-Hamboree-MIAMI-HAMFEST&goto=newpost

Dade Radio Club of Miami Presents

MIAMI HAMFEST

Tropical Hamboree

February 1-2, 2013

Ham Radio, Electronics, and Alternative Energy Show

Serving South Florida, The Americas, and the Caribbean

Miami-Dade Fair Expo Center, 10901 SW 24 ST (Coral Way), Miami FL 33165

Friday Feb. 1 12-8 PM, Saturday Feb. 2 8 AM-6 PM

http://miamihamfest.net

☐ info@miamihamfest.net

Talk-In 147.000- 600kc/ Alternate 146.925- 600kc, PL 94.8

Chairman: Tom Morris KG4CYX ☐ 786-228-7087 ☐

blueneon@gmail.com

DRC President: Miguel Garate, KJ4YVN, 305-590-8523 ☐

kj4yvn@gmail.com

Tickets (Advance Sale until January 1, 2013): $10 each

At the door $12 Each

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an adult, and to students under the age of 18 ☐ bring

valid student ID

Instructors in public and private schools, scout and

youth group leaders: Contact us for free tickets for your

groups ☐

MiamiHamfest@gmail.com

Outdoor Swap / Tailgate Area

Tailgate spaces $35 for the weekend. Setup Friday 10 AM-12 PM, Saturday 7-8 AM. Admission ticket required for each person.

Note: Camping is not allowed in the Tailgate area. For fire safety reasons, fabric canopies are not allowed. Vehicles may not be moved in the tailgate area while the event is open to the public.

For more information contact

MiamiHamfest@gmail.com

or 305-590-8523

Indoor Swap Tables

Advance Rates ☐ Before Jan 1, 2013: Indoor Swap

Area tables $50 for the first table, $45 per additional table. Tables are 2 by 8 feet.

After Jan 1, 2013, tables $60 each

Admission tickets required for all persons entering the fairground area.

Electrical connection (120V 20A) $40 each

Commercial Vendor Booths

10x10 booths with pipe and drape + 2 covered tables and required admission

Before Jan 1 After Jan 1 Power Hookup $40

1x $225 $275

2x $425 $475

3x $600 $650

4x $750 $800

5x $900 $950

RV Campground

Campground spaces $45 per vehicle nightly ☐

Electrical, sewer and water hookups included.

Restrooms and showers available for campground users without onboard facilities.

All occupied vehicles on the grounds overnight must be in the campground area!

Campers should enter 1st gate on S.W. 24th St. (Coral Way) west of S.W. 107th Ave., follow signs to campground.

Area Hotels

Candlewood Suites Miami Airport West, 8855 NW 27 ST, Doral, 866-539-0036

Homestead Miami, Doral, 8720 NW 33 St, Doral, 866-539-0036

The Hampton Inn, Doral, 11600 NW 41 ST, 305-500-9300

Comfort Suites, 3901 SW 117 Ave, 305-220-3901

Country Inn & Suites By Carlson, 11750 Mills Drive, 305-270-0359

Best Western Plus Kendall Hotel & Suites, 8560 SW 124 Ave, 305-271-4848

Amateur Radio Licensing Exams

Exam sessions available on site Saturday 9 AM and 1 PM. Please contact us or see http://miamihamfest.net/ for details.

1271. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 17 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-17 11:10:18 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93411b5e8e03904c504968f@google.com>
Source record: 2538
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS contact planned with ESA Space Camp in Dublin, Ireland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WwSbBFlaL2I/ariss_event_2207_b.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sunday 22 July 2012, at approximately 17.25 UTC, which is 18.25 Dublin time
and 19.25 CEST, an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS)
contact is planned for ESA Space Camp in Dublin, Ireland

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Puerto Ricans celebrate their Constitution - K4C

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Special Event K4C to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution
of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico

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European Youth ARDF Championships 2012

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IARU-R1 Youth Coordinator Lisa PA2LS and Panayot LZ1US report on the
European Youth ARDF Championships 2012

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Astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT, chats with ARRL

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ARRL have released a video of an interview between NASA Astronaut Don
Pettit KD5MDT and ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane K1SFA

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Move over Raspberry Pi, give kids a Radio Ham Pi - minister

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Goverment Minister Ed Vaizey MP is reported as calling for schoolchildren
to be given simple radio kits to build so they can learn basic electronics

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Hams: We're good in a disaster - UK Radio Society boss

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Anna Leach on The Register reports on the emergency communictions
capabilities of amateur radio and other aspects of the hobby

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ARISS exhibit at Moon Day 2012

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012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Moon Day 2012 will be held at the Frontiers of Flight Museum at Love Field
in Dallas, Texas on July 21 to commemorate Neil Armstrong’s walk on the
moon on July 21, 1969

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GB7MM moves to new site

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The GB7MM group are happy to announce that the Dorset D-Star 2m repeater
has now been installed at it's new site in IO90AR, Westborne, near
Bournemouth in Dorset

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Portuguese regulator ANACOM invited to monitor the London Olympics Games

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bjiF7AkZ9io/anacom_invited_to_monitor_t
he_london_olympics_games.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Portuguese National Communications Authority (ANACOM) has been invited
by the UK regulator OFCOM, to monitor the actions of the radio spectrum
during the London Olympics games, it was announced today

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Ottawa-based technically qualified (land mobile radio systems) volunteer
needed

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SDiRTdn9JIw/ottawa_based_volunteer_need
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As a member of the Canadian Interoperability Technology Interest Group,
CITIG, we have been invited to appoint a volunteer to sit on the 700Mhz
definition working group

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DF3aGpSuVY8/wca_1607.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look-out for more castle activations this month for the World Castles Award

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Gujarat hopes for Space Station link-up

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Gujarat Science City officials are hoping to be able to establish an
amateur radio contact with ISS Expedition 33 Commander Sunita Williams
KD5PLB

1272. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 17 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-17 16:33:44 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Special event station Sept.29,2012--- N3E

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 02:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354264-Special-event-station-Sept-29-2012-N3E&goto=newpost

UP COMMING EVENT!

September 29,2012 Special event station with the callsign N3E .

Operators will be members of the Pottstown Area Amateur Radio Club.We
will also have an information table to answers questions, about The
Amateur Radio Service.

The location is Pottstown,Pa. Municiple Airport. The event is
Community day at the airport . The request for the station, is from the
local chapter of the EAA ,Chapter 1250. It is to show support for the "
Young Eagles Rally ". This is a yearly event . We plan to operate 20 meters
and 40 meters all modes . But using one mode at a time .We will have just
one HF transmitter for this event . We will try to stay with in the general
class frequency'S on 40 and 20 meters.

We are planning on operation from 10:00 am untill 3:00 pm from
Pottstown Municipal Airport,Pottstown ,Pa.

For a cerficate please send "9 x 11-1/2 "with postage and your
address on the envolope.To Ed McCoy ,286 Hopewell Road ,Elverson,PA. 19520.

www.PAARC.NET & www.1250.eaachapter.org &
www.1250.eaachapter.org/youngeaglessept2012.htm

EVENT ADDRESS IS: POTTSTOWN MUNICIPAL AIRPORT(N47),1149 GLASGOW
ST.,POTTSTOWN,PA.19464

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Puerto Ricans celebrate their Constitution - K4C

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 08:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354215-Puerto-Ricans-celebrate-their-Constitution-K4C&goto=newpost

Special event K4C to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution
of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Movimiento Radioaficionados de Puerto Rico (MRPR) ☐ WP4NPC, will hold on July 25, 2012, the special event K4C, marking the 60th anniversary of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (la Constitucion del Estado Libre Asociado de Puerto Rico). The purpose of the activity is to commemorate this important date for Puerto Ricans and make it known around the world, through amateur radio, the recognition of one of the best written constitutions in the world.

The activity will take place on the campus of the National Park Julio Enrique Monagas of the Municipality of Bayamón from 10:00 am (1400 UTC). We will be operating in the HF bands between 10 & 40 meters, and locally on the chain of repeaters of the MRPR.

Repeaters:

Aguada ☐ 147.230 T-107.2

Bayamón ☐ 447.350 T-100.0

Canovanas ☐ 146.710 T-94.8

Corozal ☐ 146.670 T-94.8

Maricao ☐ 147.070 T-146.2

Maricao ☐ 447.800 T-136.5

Naranjito ☐ 147.230 T-127.3

Villalba ☐ 146.710 T-88.5

There will be a QSL card for this occasion via WP4NPC

Anyone interested in participating as an operator can communicate with:

Dennis-KP3CB

(787) 366-5465

e-mail kp3cb@yahoo.com

1273. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 17 July 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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New release of LOG4OM

Posted: 17 Jul 2012 06:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354324-New-release-of-LOG4OM&goto=newpost

The latest version of LOG4OM has now been released here
http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/log4om-en/

Here are the release notes for fixes and new features implemented since the
last

Beta release

Two new features were added..

1. Added Browser tab to main screen and cluster window buttons now provide a

lookup facility in this browser with either QRZ.com or HamQTH

2. User now has a facility to send DX Spots directly from input screen

These issues were fixed.....

CAT - Rig control from the QSO Info (F1) window changes cluster mode

CAT - Cat selection "Cat will switch to Digital" does not work

CAT - CAT control via OmniRig with ICOM7410: Cluster spot sets for digital

either CW-R or RTTY-R

Cluster - Persistency of cluster settings not saved

Cluster - Cluster Tab F9 settings not persistant.

Cluster - Digital mode causes cluster filter in main screen to change to SSB

portion of the band

Cluster - Cluster log on commands for VE7CC require user defines option

External Services - Default country data base not up to date

Import / Export - ADIF export and import not handling correctly

(county)

Import / Export - Export of Adif from Alpha 2 prior to import to problems .

Import / Export - Import of ADIF with QSO's above 6 meters fails

Import / Export - ADIF import text file not saved

Import / Export - FLdigi ADIF import problem

Import / Export - QSL sent date incorrect

Import / Export - ADIF import fields missing

Label printing - Label print not working, causes system to hang, then exception

error and crash

Statistics and Awards - Report Printing layout problem

User Interface - Integrated browser page

User Interface - Call and country identity with slash calls incorrect

User Interface - Need to add a TEN TEN input field to the archive manager edit

screeen.

User Interface - Multiple database backups deleted

User Interface - After new adif import from previous version, freqs are not

correct

User Interface - Reorder selections in alphabetical order

User Interface - Log4OM cluster window the "connection" run script logon issue

User Interface - Resent QSO display has no State field display

User Interface -No 10-10 number field in the Recent QSO window

User Interface -Backup file names need to identify database

User Interface -Trying to add country in settings causes exception error

User Interface - Date and time format different in different windows

User Interface - TEN TEN is now in the configuration windows but really no way

to add to data base

User Interface - Comments field needs expanding and changing to uper and lower

case

User Interface - Frequency display standardisation between input window and

recent QSO window

User Interface - Bulk deleting not possible

User Interface - Log Display missing after ADIF import into MySQL

We have five very minor issues to resolve before we start our program of adding new features.

Our policy is everything stops if a bug is identified and untill that bug is resolved we will not progress a new feature, this way we keep right on top of any user issues.

73 Terry G4POP

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ANS-197 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 01:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354247-ANS-197-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

July 15, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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2012 AMSAT Space Symposium & Annual General Meeting Comes to Orlando

AMSAT announces the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th. The Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet-Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

CALL FOR PAPERS

This is the second call for papers for the 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium to be held in Orlando, Florida on the weekend of October 26-28, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Orlando Airport Hotel.

Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community:

Papers for publication in the ProceedingsSymposium PresentationsPoster PresentationsEquipment and Operating Demonstrations

We request a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings.

Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv at amsat.org.

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

To help you plan your trip to Orlando the 2012 Symposium Committee has posted a high-level schedule of the weekend's events.

Thursday 25 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - 9pm

Friday 26 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - Noon

Trips to SkyCraft 9am - Noon

AMSAT Symposium 1pm - 5pm

Saturday 27 October 2012

Symposium 8am - 3pm

AMSAT General Meeting 3:30pm

AMSAT Banquet 6:30pm - 10pm

Sunday 28 October 2012

7:30am AMSAT Area Coordinator's Breakfast

Local trip of Interest TBD

Monday 29 October 2012

Special trip to Kennedy Space Center 8am-6pm The trip will include a round trip bus from the hotel and entrance to the Space Center. The cost will be about $100. This is a wonderful experience for those that haven't been and for those that have been multiple times. We need to get an idea of how many will participate to select the correct bus. Contact Martha if interested

Watch the AMSAT Symposium Web Pages for the latest information.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee and 2012 Syposium Proceedings Editor Dan Schultz, N8FGV for the above information]

AMSAT-UK Monitoring UK Space Agency Reform of the Outer Space Act

A posting on the UK Space Agency Web Site, announced, "Reform of the Outer Space Act 1986: Consultation". Graham Shirville, G3VZV commented, "Whilst they only relate to UK legislation, both the Consultation Document and the Impact Assessment Document cover a lot of interesting ground, technical, legal and statistical. Well worth a review in my opinion. These proposals make the Space Act more 'cubesat friendly'"

Both of these documents can be accessed on the UK Space Agency web.

The AMSAT-UK web summarizes the scope of the new Consultation: This is in response to the Government Growth Review published in March 2011, in which the Government set out its wish to reform the Outer Space Act 1986 by introducing an upper limit on liability for UK operators.

The Outer Space Act covers all UK satellites irrespective of size, from tiny low cost educational CubeSats up to large commercial £500 million satellites.

The key aspects of the consultation are the proposals to waive the capped liability and insurance requirement for in-orbit operation of any satellite that meets the criteria of a CubeSat and to remove the requirement for unlimited indemnity from satellite operators.

The existing Outer Space Act imposes heavy additional costs (>£50,000 per annum) on those wishing to launch small educational CubeSats. The additional costs act as a major deterrent and to-date no such UK CubeSat has been launched.

Graham concludes, "Rest assured that AMSAT-UK will be responding!" More news will be posted as available. The UK Space Agency says that responses are due by August 31, 2012.

[ANS thanks Graham Shirville, G3VZV and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Successful ARISS School Contacts Reported

Nunavik Youth Connect With ISS

On July 4, youth attending the Cirqiniq Summer Camp in Kuujjuaq, Quebec (Nunavik), Canada spoke with on-orbit astronaut Joe Acaba, KE5DAR via an ARISS contact. Telebridge station K6DUE in Greenbelt, Maryland provided the radio connection.

The contact was held in conjunction with a circus camp being offered to youth, ages 13 to 17, in Nunavik that was led by a group of instructors affiliated with Cirque du Soleil®. The campers learned tight-wire walking, aerial acrobatics and juggling among other skills and ended the session with a parade and community show. This year's theme was "Planets and the Universe." Local media covered the event.

STEM High School Aerospace Scholars, Houston, TX Connect With ISS

An ARISS school contact with participants at Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars, Houston, TX was successfully completed on July 10. The contact was a telebridge between NA1SS and W6SRJ.

The group of high school juniors were participating in a summer program called WISH, an acronym for Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars. The students were selected from responses to a national invitation to attend multiple robust lessons for six days at Johnson Space Center in Houston. The young women attended briefings, and engaged in competitive hands-on engineering activities related to space exploration and research.

The ARISS contact was incorporated into the learning activities early in the week while learning about space communication and wireless technology.

A video of the contact has been posted on-line.

The NASA Press release about the Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars program can be viewed on-line.

[ANS thanks the ARISS Status Report and NASA for the above information]

Cuba to Alaska Contact Successful via FO-29

Hector Martinez, CO6CBF in Cuba reported a successful satellite contact Dale Pelzer, KL7R in Alaska via the FO-29 satellite. Cuban amateurs cannot operate on AO-7 mode B so FO-29 is their only opportunity for long range contacts.

Hector says the first 10 attempts via SSB were unsuccessful. Dale drove around 4 miles from his home to a nearby hill, many times very late at night. On Sunday, July 8 at 1920 UTC the two stations finally connected via CW.

Dale's equipment includes a Yaesu FT-817 (only 5W semi-duplex) and ARROW antenna with preamplifier. Hector's equipment is mostly a homebrew setup, 10 elements yagi on 2m and 18 elements yagi for 70cm with a homebrew preamplifier.

Hector will continue to look for new grids and long-range contacts via satellite. He invites interested stations to contact him via e-mail: co6cbf@frcuba.co.cu

[ANS thanks and congratulates Hector Martinez CO6CBF and Dale Pelzer KL7R for the above information]

Official Opening of the RSGB National Radio Centre

Wednesday, July 11, saw the official opening of the RSGB's National Radio Centre (NRC) at Bletchley Park in Milton Keynes.

The opening and unveiling of the plaque was undertaken by Mr. Ed Vaizey, MP. Mr Vaizey is the Minister for Culture, Communications and the Creative Industries and, as such, has overall responsibility for OFCOM. He stated that he fully supported the aim of the Centre in being able to enthuse and inspire children to become the engineers of the future.

Attendees included many of the sponsors together with Iain Standen, the Chief Executive of the Bletchley Park Trust plus, from overseas, Dave Sumner K1ZZ, CEO of the ARRL and Ole Garpestad, LA2RR IARU Vice-President.

AMSAT-UK have supported the creation of this valuable educational outreach resource at Bletchley Park and have arranged for the provision and installation of a set of fully steerable VHF and UHF satellite antenna arrays. It is hoped that it may be possible to use the NRC as the FUNcube-1 Mission Control Centre during the Launch and Early Operations Phase (LEOP) of the mission later this year.

National Radio Centre http://www.nationalradiocentre.com/

Pictures of opening http://www.uk.amsat.org/8841

[ANS thanks Trevor, M5AKA; RSGB, and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

NASA TV to Cover Three Hams Docking at ISS

NASA Flight Engineer Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, along with Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI were launched aboard a Soyuz TMA-05M spacecraft from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan at 0240 UTC, July 15.

The three ham crew will arrive at the ISS on July 16, joining NASA Flight Engineer Joe Acaba, KE5DAR, and two Russian cosmonauts: Expedition 32 Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS.

NASA TV□s scheduled coverage of the docking is as follows:

Monday, July 16

11:15 PM CDT (0415 UTC, July 17) -- Expedition 32/33 Soyuz TMA-05M docking coverage begins (docking at 11:38 PM [0438 UTC, July 17]), followed by post-docking news conference from Mission Control in Korolev, Russia.

Tuesday, July 17

2:00 AM CDT (0700 UTC) -- Expedition 32/33 Soyuz TMA-05M hatch opening and welcoming ceremony coverage begins (ceremony scheduled for 2:25 AM [0725 UTC]).

NASA TV can be viewed on-line at: http://www.nasa.gov/ntv

[ANS thanks NASA for the above information]

Five CubeSats Ready for July 21 JAXA HTV-3 Launch

Five cubesats are scheduled to be launched on July 21 aboard the JAXA HTV-3 supply mission to the ISS. The satellites have been integrated with the J-SSOD small satellite deployer. The J-SSOD deployer will be integrated to the Japanese Experiment Module, also known as Kibo. They will be deployed with the Kibo robotic arm planned for the September, 2012 timeframe.

The five CubeSats on this mission include:

+ Raiko

http://www.astro.mech.tohoku.ac.jp/RAIKO/ (Japanese)

2U cubesat, photography, Ku-band beacon

+ We Wish

http://www.meisei.co.jp/news/2011/0617_622.html

Infrared camera for environmental studies

+ FITSat 1

http://www.fit.ac.jp/~tanaka/fitsat.shtml

High-speed data test, high power LED visual tracking

CW Beacon 437.250 MHz,

FM Data 437.445 MHz,

High speed data 5840.00 MHz.

+ F-1 Vietnam Student CubeSat

On-board camera for earth observation mission

VX-3R1, 437.485 MHz FM downlink:

o Solar cell power only, operates in sunlight only

o Output power: max 0.3W, half-wave dipole antenna

o Morse code beacon (10 chars) using PWM CW every 30 seconds

VX-3R2, 145.980 MHz FM downlink:

o Rechargeable battery, operates in dark and sunlight

o Output power: max 1.0W, half-wave dipole antenna

o AFSK 1200bps, half duplex, one AX.25 packet every 30 seconds

+ TechEdSat

http://ncasst.org/techedsat.html

http://www.uk.amsat.org/5018

Downlink on 437.465 MHz

[ANS thanks the CubeSat teams, AMSAT-UK, and Mineo Wakita JE9PEL for the above information]

HORYU-2 Telemetry Resumes Operation

On Tuesday, July 3, the amateur radio satellite HORYU-2 (call sign JG6YBW) recovered from a problem with stuck telemetry on its 437.375 MHz telemetry downlink. The HORYU-2 Blog indicates the team are now attempting to take pictures using the on-board camera. Read the KIT HORYU Blog in Google English: http://tinyurl.com/HORYU-Blog

The free KIT HORYU-2 telemetry software can be downloaded from:

http://kitsat.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/Docu...h_english.html

A HORYU-2 online WebSDR receiver can be found at:

http://sdr.opt.ro:8901/

HORYU-2 CW Telemetry Decoder by DK3WN:

http://tinyurl.com/SatSoftwareDK3WN/

HORYU-2, built by students from the Kyushu Institute of Technology, was launched by JAXA from Tanegashima Space Center on May 18 with the Observation Mission □SHIZUKU□ (GCOM-W1). The SHIZUKU observation images acquired by AMSR2 have been released. See:
http://www.jaxa.jp/press/2012/07/201...shizuku_e.html

[ANS thanks the HORYU-2 Team for the above information]

50th Anniversary of Telstar-1

Recently amateur radio satellite operators have commemorated the 50th anniversary of the launch of the first two amateur radio satellites: OSCAR-1 on December 12, 1961 and OSCAR-2 on June 2, 1962. Amateur radio was in space just four years after Sputnik-1, the first satellite was put in orbit.

This past week, fifty years ago, on July 10, 1962 the first commercial communications satellite, Telstar-1, was launched. Two days into its mission, it relayed the world's first transatlantic television signal, from

Andover Earth Station, Maine, to the Pleumeur-Bodou Telecom Center, Brittany, France.

The satellite was spin-stabilized to maintain its desired orientation in space. Power to its onboard equipment was provided by a solar array, in conjunction with a battery back-up system. During the course of its operational lifespan, Telstar 1 facilitated over 400 telephone, telegraph, facsimile and television transmissions. It operated until November 1962, when its on-board electronics failed due to the effects of radiation.

SpaceMart.com has published an article of Telstar's 50th anniversary

[ANS thanks AMSAT, Project OSCAR, and SpaceMart.com for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Look in the August 2012 issue of QST magazine for a satellite article, "Backpacking With Satellites", on page 65 by David Palmer, KB5WIA. Dave covers lots of portable satellite operating advice, portable equipment selection, trek planning, and includes several interesting photosListen for Patrick, WD9EWK/VA7EWK on VO-52 at 0200 UTC July 17 during his on-air satellite demonstration at the Tri-City Amateur Radio Association meeting in Goodyear, Arizona. Additional demostration opportunities that evening may occur on SO-50 at 0300 UTC and one more VO-52 pass at 0335 UTC. All demonstration plans are dependent on the weather. Patrick will try to update the AMSAT-BB with the demonstration plans on Monday afternoon, as well as his Twitter feed @WD9EWK (use http://twitter.com/wd9ewk if you aren't on Twitter directly to view this feed).Listen for David, XE3DX operating on SO-50 and AO-27 between July 16 - 20 from EK48, EK49, EK69, EL50, EL51, EL61 and EL60 in Campeche, Yucatan and Quintana Roo States in Mexico. He can be reached via e-mail at xe3dx@amsat.orgListen for Norm, N3YKF operating from Peru. His trip begins on July 22. He says he has received the customs documents to bring amateur radio equipment. He plans to drive the Panamerica Sur from Lima to Nazca, Peru, activating grid squares along the way.Watch a video on the Vimeo site Grand Finale 2010-11, by McLean Fahnestock showing all 135 launches of the space shuttle program at once.To help you sound like the smartest ham on the band here are some videos that explain CERN's discovery of a Higgs-like particle:

Minute Physics: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Uh5mTxRQcgBBC http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZzQpeqE_wLgPhysicist Michio Kaku on CNN: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NTVT-MIRq6oWhat□s a Higgs Boson, Anyway? on UniverseToday.com: http://www.universetoday.com/96122/w...-boson-anyway/

The free publication SatMagazine includes an article covering advances in CubeSat technology. "Advances In CubeSats Enable New Apps" by Erik Mumm starts on page 56. Download the July/August 2012 SatMagazine at http://www.satmagazine.com/2012/SM_JulAug2012.pdfIn the quiet, peaceful setting of a storage bay in the northwest corner of NASA's cavernous Vehicle Assembly Building at the Kennedy Space Center Spaceflight Now photographer Walter Scriptunas II used the tranquil opportunity to shoot

this gallery that captures the space shuttle Atlantis in exquisite detail: http://spaceflightnow.com/shuttle/sts135/120703gallery/When you play NASA's "Rocket Science 101!", you will select your favorite NASA mission and build a rocket to send the spacecraft into orbit. Rocket Science 101 is available online at: http://go.nasa.gov/Mn28NtEnjoy a 5 minute video commemorating the 50th anniversary of NASA's John F. Kennedy Space Center: http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=WrGEU5irS8oJason Brand VK2FJAB, age 10, was interviewed for the morning "Today" show on Channel 9 in Australia. He talks about amateur radio and his Do-It-Yourself space projects. Watch it at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/8821One of the interior decorating features often selected for the well-equipped-shack includes a copy of the Electromagnetic Radiation Spectrum Poster. Unihedron, a manufacturer of portable tools for physics and astronomy, offers you a link to download a personal PDF copy of the poster or purchase a full-size printed copy at: http://unihedron.com/projects/spectrum/moreinfo.phpThis image from the French Pleiades satellite shows the island of Mont Saint Michel and its surrounding bay in northwest France. The photo was captured on May 3 at an altitude of about 700 km. See: http://www.spaceref.com/news/viewsr.html?pid=41338Sometime this summer, Austrian skydiver Felix Baumgartner will leap from the edge of space, attempting to not only break the sound barrier with his body, but also break the record for the longest freefall from nearly 37km altitude. View a video simulation at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=VCqnQq86fkYThe next Hudson Valley Satcom net date will be on Thursday July 19 at 8PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). This net is also available on echolink on the N2EYH-L node if you would like to join via this route. (Stu, WA2BSS)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind the discussion during Field Day setup when one ham was admiring the new tent being erected at an operating position. The owner remarked on the great deal he got

on the purchase of the tent getting it at half price. The ham said, "Yes, it is a great deal!" The owner noted it was the year of his discount tent. (Apologies to Richard The Third and Willy Shakespeare.)

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

K9JKM at amsat dot org

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Wouxun Dual Band Mobile announcement ($325 with free UV2D)

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 09:00 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354179-Wouxun-Dual-Band-Mobile-announcement-(-325-with-free-UV2D)&goto=newpost

Hello,

Im sure most of you got the memo in your email from Ed Griffin (Wouxun.us or Import Communications) but if not, heres the news:

Quote:

Dear Customer,

Here is the latest news on Chinese dual-band mobile radios.

Wouxun Dual Band Mobile - KG-UV920R

On June 21 I was informed that Wouxun would supply a small number of these radios to selected dealers (max of 10). At that time they also quoted a dealer costs that I thought was outrageous. The dealer costs was almost what I have always considered the retail price would be. In an email I told them sternly that with any dealer markup at all, the radio would not sell in the US and I would decline to purchase samples.

Wouxun response was that when full production began, the dealer costs would be lower. Since I've invested hundreds of thousands of dollars building a market for this company over the past few years, I decided I would not let others bring this radio to market before I did. I reluctantly placed an order for 10 radios, figuring I would sell them at costs, to get them to market.

After my order was shipped, Wouxun informed me that these sample radios must NOT be sold for less than $320-$330. They went on to say "If we found you or your dealer's end price was lower this range without our permission in advance, then we will stop supplying this model to you."

For the past two years, I've repeatedly told Wouxun that this radio must sell for no more than $250-$275 for it to be competitive with the big three Japanese companies. It appears this advice has fallen on deaf ears.

These pre-production radios lack some of the features the full-production radios will have. These will not be FCC Certified for Part 90 use. They will have narrow band capability but will not have the 2.5 kHz tuning step required for Part 90 radios beginning in 2013. The frequency range will be RX:136-174 & 350-480 and TX: 136-174 & 400-480. They did not indicate if any wide-band receive, such as 118 MHz AM, would be available on these pre-production models.

Although these radios may lack some of the bells and whistles we've expected, I imagine they will still be good dual band radios for the ham market. BUT, I still don't feel they are worth $325.

Wouxun says I can't sell these for less than $325. They did not say that I can not include a FREE HT with the purchase. (Rest assured, they will raise holy crap about it, but I'm used to that) So here's my plan. I will place the limited number I have on sale for $350 and include a free KG-UV2D HT in the deal. I'll profit nothing at this but we'll see what happens.

Frankly, this sounds like a good deal to me, with the free HT (credit to Mr. Griffin) but as someone who has waited for a good long while and then gave up for a Yaesu I think this is pretty foul of Wouxun to do to it's distributor.

I apologize if this thread is off topic and if it was placed in the wrong sub-forum.

I thought some of you might like to know.

Respectfully,

KF5KVE

I hope he

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Spain Authorized Special Call Signs

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 10:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354084-Spain-Authorized-Special-Call-Signs&goto=newpost

To commemorate the recent European Championship football, won by Spain, it authorizes all stations Spanish EA, EB, EC during this month of July to use special prefixes:

EA = AO

EB = AN

EC = AM

Using the same number of area and the same suffix.

73´S

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What's Going on with The Sun & HF?

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 10:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354083-What-s-Going-on-with-The-Sun-amp-HF&goto=newpost

I was first licensed in 2001 & subsequently took & passed my General in either late 2002 or early 2003 (passing the 5 wpm code test was required); I can't remember exactly & that really isn't important. I was able then in

2003 to take advantage of Sun Spot Cycle 23. I remember being able to communicate with stations world-wide easily. Now that we're "into" Sun Spot Cycle 24, I had more fun at the bottom of Cycle 23 than I'm having now! It seems that there are 4 or more days per week in which 40, 30, 20, 18, 15, 12 & 10 meters are closed down because of a CME or something. The rest of the days of the week aren't much better. Obviously we can't do anything about it; but it is indeed frustrating to look forward to communicating on HF and the bands are closed down. Perhaps I should get a "FaceBook" page or a "UTube" page. At least they work, don't require a lot of sophisticated electronic equipment, don't need outside antennas and above all else seem to be free! Perhaps in this age of "instant communications" one reason why many young people aren't interested in Amateur Radio is because it is so unpredictable and unreliable when compared to email, Twitter, FaceBook & Utube. I hope it gets better SOON!
73, Ken - KG4LLQ

1274. eHam.net News for Tuesday 17 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-17 22:04:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614dc809be1904c50dbcf2@google.com>
Source record: 2541
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio to Link Ahmedabad Students with Sunita Williams:

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 05:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28637

AHMEDABAD: If all goes well for the Gujarat Science City officials, the institute will establish amateur radio contact with International Space Station (ISS) where Indian-American astronaut Sunita Williams will be stationed for four months. The state students might be able to talk to Williams directly about her experience. The science city officials have initiated communication with National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) authorities for the project.

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ACMA: The Band 420-430 MHz to be Withdrawn from Amateurs on 1 January 2013:

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 05:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28636

The ACMA has advised the WIA that the 420 to 430 MHz segment of the 70 cm amateur band will be withdrawn as a secondary allocation at least for general amateur use from 1st January 2013. Internationally, in all three Regions, the band 420 - 430 MHz is allocated to fixed and mobile primary and radiolocation secondary, with a footnote allocating the band on a secondary basis to amateur only in the USA, Jamaica, the Philippines and Australia. Use of the band in Australia has been restricted to Advanced licensees and further restricted by various exclusion zones in NSW, the ACT, and the Jervis Bay area, Sydney, Perth and Melbourne. In April 2008 the WIA reported on the public consultation by the ACMA as part of its review of the band 403 - 520 MHz. From the outset it was obvious that the amateur band 420 - 450 MHz would be affected. Fairly early on, the bands 430 - 450 MHz was announced to be "out of scope" for the review. However, the ACMA has indicated that segment 440-450 MHz may be used on a temporary basis by displaced land mobile services until they are relocated during a transition phase. In September 2008 the WIA reported on the release of the submissions received by the ACMA, and in June 2010 the WIA further reported on the ACMA's announcements. An examination of the WIA 70 Cm Band Plan shows that the segment 420 - 430 MHz is largely "Restricted". The band 420 - 430 MHz is allocated in Australia to radiolocation and mobile as primary. That primary mobile use is by government networks supporting essential and emergency networks for police, fire and ambulance. That use commenced in 1999, and since 2009 the Council of Australian Governments has supported

the interoperability and harmonisation of those services. The only real problem that the withdrawal of this segment creates for amateurs is that there are a number of repeater link assignments that will need to be moved by 1st January 2013. There are some 34 licensees affected, mainly clubs, involving at least 73 separate assignments.

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Outdated Code Hinders Growth of Amateur Radio:

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 05:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28635

Nigel Hoyow, president of the Jamaica Amateur Radio Association (JARA), has stated that there was a deficiency in young amateur radio operators (ham) due to the fact that the current system operates under Morse code, a method which is long outdated. Hoyow made the comment at a handing over ceremony at the Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management in Kingston on Thursday. The Canadian International Development Agency and the Canada Caribbean Disaster Risk Management Fund made the donation of telecommunications equipment to JARA. "It goes without saying that the old operators are phasing out, youngsters such as the ones from the physics department at the University of the West Indies (UWI) are technologically advanced and hence require more recent systems. Many of these young operators have migrated to other countries such as Canada and the United States due to the Morse code, it is stifling our growth," he told The Gleaner. Morse code is a requirement from the Spectrum Management Agency (SMA) to receive the training to attain an amateur training licence. "Youngsters that are in the physics department at UWI, and even sixth-form students are having difficulties in an attaining amateur radio licence because of Morse code being a requirement. It is no longer being used in radio communication throughout the world," he added. The SMA regulates amateur radio operation in Jamaica and issues a licence to anyone who sits the exam. Morse code is a requirement for this exam. Gerald Burton, operations manager of JARA, said the SMA had sent a request to the Ministry of Commerce, Science and Technology to remove the Morse Code Act from being a requirement to attain the amateur radio licence. It was sent in 2005 and since then there has been no response. When contacted, Minister Phillip Paulwell said he was not aware of the request and would seek more information.

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Colorado 14er Event -- August 5, 2012:

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28634

Amateur Radio operators from around Colorado will be climbing many of Colorado's 14,000-foot mountains to set up amateur radio stations in an effort to communicate with other radio amateurs across the state and around the world. Join in on the fun on the Sunday of the first full weekend in August and see how many of the mountaintop stations you can contact. The prime operating hours are from approximately 9 AM to noon local time (1500

to 1800 UTC), but activity may occur at other times during the day.

1275. The ARRL Contest Update for July 18, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-18 04:58:41 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120718042222.773B723D20@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2542
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The IOTA Contest has some rule changes this year to bring the focus
back to - what else? - working islands! If you can operate from one, so
much the better, but if not this is a great way to start IOTA chasing
and maybe add a DXCC entity to your totals, too!

BULLETINS

Your editor is taking a short vacation so this edition is a bit
attenuated from its usual volume. The newsletter will return to
'normal' in subsequent editions.

BUSTED QSOS

The DMC RTTY Contest was listed last weekend due to out-of-date web
information - it's this weekend! Contest sponsors - please update your
websites well in advance of the contest.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Jul 21-22
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- North American QSO Party RTTY
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (19 Jul)
- 144 MHz Digital EME Championship
- DMC RTTY Contest
- Feld-Hell Ten Meter Sprint
- CQ WW VHF Contest
- RSBG Low Power Contest--CW

Jul 28-29

- Run For the Bacon (23 Jul)
- IOTA Contest
- MARAC US Counties QSO Party
- New Jersey QSO Party
- Flight of the Bumblebees--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

Bob WA1Z has released another version of the Super Check Partial <http://supercheckpartial.com/> database files effective on July 11th, 2012. He requests you send Cabrillo-formatted logs for input to the database files to logs@supercheckpartial.com. Logs from any contest within the last 24 months are always appreciated.

We have an anniversary to celebrate as Tim K3LR relayed the following, "NASA Telstar <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Telstar> was launched by NASA on July 10, 1962, from Cape Canaveral, Fla., and was the first privately sponsored space-faring mission. Two days later, it relayed the world's first transatlantic television signal, from Andover Earth Station, Maine, to the Pleumeur-Bodou Telecom Center, Brittany, France. Developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories for AT&T, Telstar was the world's first active communications satellite and the world's first commercial payload in space. It demonstrated the feasibility of transmitting information via satellite, gained experience in satellite tracking and studied the effect of Van Allen radiation belts on satellite design. The satellite was spin-stabilized to maintain its desired orientation in space. Power to its onboard equipment was provided by a solar array, in conjunction with a battery back-up system." The Telstar rounded shape still virtually defines 'satellite' in the public's imagination even today.

Web Site of the Week - Have a look at an article <http://www.k8gp.net/contests/june-vhf-2012> Andy K1RA wrote covering the Grid Pirates Contest Group operation in this past June VHF contest. The web site was down due to the intense storms in the east last week but is back up now.

WORD TO THE WISE

Check the rules (contest and licensing) before you go on a contest DXpedition. Most people might not know this but a US General class license, which has HF privileges, doesn't always give you the same privileges in a CEPT country. Many of the countries in the Caribbean are CEPT countries. Say, for example, you went to PJ2 to operate ARRL

DX Contest. If you operate on HF and you have a General class license, you are breaking the reciprocal licensing rules. When the privileges authorized by the FCC license grant are Advanced or Amateur Extra Class operator privileges, the U.S. citizen is granted CEPT Radio Amateur License privileges, in accordance with CEPT Recommendation T/R 61-01 (as amended). When the privileges authorized by the FCC license grant are General Class operator privileges, the U.S. citizen is granted CEPT Novice Radio Amateur License privileges, in accordance with ECC Recommendation (05)06 (as amended). Both recommendations are available online <http://www.ero.dk/>. (Thanks, Jeff KU8E)

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The next Potomac Valley Radio Club <http://www.pvrc.org/> webinar is "Update on Cycle 24 and More" to be held on July 18 and again on July 21. K9LA's August 2009 PVRC webinar discussed solar minimum between Cycle 23 and 24, and the early status of Cycle 24. This new webinar will review our recent solar minimum, review Cycle 24's present status, and discuss propagation in relation to the progress of Cycle 24. Two other topics to be discussed will be the effect of trees on HF and MF propagation, and the best height for your antenna. See the PVRC website for free pre-registration or to view archived presentation. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

WRTC-2014 Team Selection Director, Dan K1TO, reports that, "The latest official published contest results that qualify for WRTC 2014 are now posted <http://www.wrtc2014.org/qualifying/qualification-standings> on the WRTC 2014 website. 27 qualifying events are now included, roughly one-half of the 55 total events. 36 qualifying events have now taken place, which means that you still have 19 more events in which to operate and move up in the standings!"

Indiana QSO Party results <http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp/scores.php> are now online and plaques will be awarded later this summer. (Thanks, Mel KJ9C)

Champ E21EIC reports on the latest HS/E2 prefix assignments - the HS prefixes are nearly gone. Watch for more interesting E22 through E29 prefixes to hit the airwaves including the 42 new licensees that will get HF permissions. Foreign hams licensed in Thailand will still be assigned HS0Zxx call signs.

OPERATING TIP

If you are working with a new operator following Field Day, now is the time to help them learn good habits. One of the first lessons should be - no extra verbiage. Just give the minimum exchange in the right order without rushing! There's no better opportunity to start trimming the excess baggage of "Please copy..." and "You are..." and repeating the exchange. Start 'em out right!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Tom W8JI recommends a couple of documents about the effect of coax construction, illustrated in this West Penn Wire paper <http://www.westpenn-wpw.com/pdfs/coax_construction.pdf>, on mechanical robustness - not something considered by most hams. "Although the test frequency and method is not described, this [Commscope paper <http://docs.commscope.com/Public/Coax101.pdf>] shows the difference between quad shield and single foil and braid is 7 dB before 10,000 flexes and 13 dB after 10,000 flexes."

From the ARRL Propagation Bulletin <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation> ARLP013, "Q-up Now" has a fascinating new set of real-time propagation tools <http://www.q-upnow.com/> developed by a team associated with the Utah State University Space Weather Center <http://spaceweather.usu.edu/>. They use a real-time model of the ionosphere called GAIM (GlobalAssimilation of Ionospheric Measurements) which is updated every 15minutes with 10,000 global TEC (Total Electron Content) measurementsto simulate the F layers. Then they use the ABBYNormal Model <http://gcmd.nasa.gov/records/abbyNormal.html> for the D and E layers, and the two models are combined to give a complete representation of the global ionosphere. Using the HF Availability feature you can model real-time propagation for the frequency of your choice, including 160 meters, between any two points and beyond out to the antipodes.

DIY Equipment Labeling was the headline for an ARRL E-Letter <http://www.arrl.org/ares-el/> story in the July 11 issue. "Here is an interesting DIY project for labeling your equipment with tape. This tape should be fairly permanent if you use pop rivets to fasten it to something. Seems like it would make a good equipment ID for when you have to take expensive stuff into the field (emergency exercises, Field Day, or actual emergencies). And several locals swear by E-6000 glue as an alternative for application of the labels. --Rick Herndon, K5FNI, Mathis, Texas; Life Member, ARRL; Official Emergency Station"

On the first day of Field Day, my true love gave to me... Here's a packing list for the WRTC-2014 "test flight" during last weekend's IARU HF contest. They put fifteen stations on the air, WRTC-style - checking things out a couple of years in advance! From reports, the stations worked well and what issues did arise were and are manageable - good job!

- 15 tents
- 15 camping toilets
- 15 privacy shelters for the toilets
- 15 tilt-bases
- 15 sets of derrick poles (1 ea, 12', 8', and a 4-foot splice piece)
- 45 34 x 34 inch folding tables
- 30 folding chairs
- 15 Honda eu2000i generators with 150 foot extension cords in the boxes

- 15 external 3.2 gallon extended-run gas tanks
- 15 dipole hangers (6-foot piece of angle stock with Ubolts to fit
R25)
- 15 guy rod bundles (6x4 ft steel rods)
- 15 tribanders, wrapped in plastic sheets (next year, something
better)
- 15 booms for the tribanders, with boom-element hardware already
installed
- 15 bundles of bamboo stakes to hold the CAUTION tape
- 15 Rope and Wire Kits (each has about 500 feet of rope, cut to
specific lengths, and color-coded; 150 feet of LMR400 with connectors,
- 2 x 150 feet of LMR240 with reducers and connectors; two dipoles;
- 500-foot spool of twine for tying off the dipoles; a 34' steel
lifting cable; bag of derrick hardware; and a 2x4 with one end cut on a
45-degree angle to help align the guy rods and whack the 25G sections
together or apart, as needed; ground connection hardware kit; big spool
of CAUTION tape)
- 15 derrick winches
- 30 ground rods
- 15 Station Kits (lamp, fan, fire extinguisher, first aid kit, bug
spray, toilet paper, hand cleaner, outlet strip)

Multiply all that by four and you have some idea of the scope of the
full WRTC effort coming up in 2014. Clubs and other groups have helped
make this possible through the tent sponsorship program
<http://www.wrtc2014.org/sponsors/tent-sponsors/>. I have to go lie
down now after just thinking about all of it.

The wind can mis-align an antenna
<http://www.designnews.com/author.asp?section_id=1368&doc_id=245312&cid=Newsletter+-+Sherl
ock+Ohms&dfpPParams=ind_184,bid_272,aid_245312&dfpLayout=blog>
- who knew? Just about every ham with a beam and a rotator knows...but
this fact of life has to be learned sometime!

Technical Web Site of the Week - An interesting and extended discussion
took place over the past week on the CQ-Contest reflector
<http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/cq-contest> regarding
bandpass filters, stubs, coupling between antennas, and receiver
front-end protection. So many topics were being covered that
summarizing them here just wouldn't do it justice. Browse to the
searchable archives
<http://lists.contesting.com/archives/html/CQ-Contest/> and look for
the "Bandpass filter" thread.

==> CONVERSATION

A little summertime ditty is provided for you to hum while chasing
all the DX stations through their "packet pileups". Don't forget to
QNY!

73, Ward N0AX

Skimmertime

Miscopied from Ira Gershwin's "Summertime" by Dr Beldar

Skimmertime,
And the loggin' is easy
Bands are jumpin'
And the mult total's high

Your band map's full,
The decoders are cookin'
One click for an instant
Q S Y

One of these openings,
You're gonna be calling
Bounce your signals off
Layers up in the sky

And in that opening,
The skimmers will spot you
C Q ing on twenty
Standing by...

==> CONTESTS

18 July through 31 July

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

North American QSO Party RTTY--Digital, from Jul 21, 1800Z to Jul 22, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Name and S/P/C. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Jul 19, 0030Z to Jul 19, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

DMC RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jul 21, 1200Z to Jul 22, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Aug 15. Rules <http://www.digital-modes-club.org/>

Feld-Hell Ten Meter Sprint--Digital, from Jul 21, 1600Z to Jul 21, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub>

RSBG Low Power Contest--CW, from Jul 22, 0900Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RST, serial, power. Logs due: Jul 30. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Jul 23, 0100Z, see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

IOTA Contest--Phone,CW, from Jul 28, 1200Z to Jul 29, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T), serial, IOTA number if island. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>

MARAC US Counties QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jul 28, 1400Z - multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. CW - 50 kHz above band edge; SSB - 1.85, 3.85, 7.25, 14.27, 21.4, 28.4, 50.135, 146.53. Exchange: RS(T), state and county, or "DX". Logs due: Aug 31. Rules <http://www.marac.org/>

New Jersey QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jul 28, 1600Z to Jul 29, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial and NJ county or S/P or "DX". Logs due: Aug 15. Rules <http://www.njqp.hamshack.info/>

Flight of the Bumblebees--CW, from Jul 29, 1700Z to Jul 29, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 7-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Bumblebee nr or power. Logs due: Aug 12. Rules <http://adventure-radio.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

144 MHz Digital EME Championship--Digital, from Jul 21, 0000Z to Jul 22, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 144. Exchange: TMO or RST and R. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.dubus.org/>

CQ WW VHF Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Jul 21, 1800Z to Jul 22, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 50,144. Exchange: 4-char grid square. Logs due: Sep 1. Rules <http://www.cqww-vhf.com/>

New Jersey QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Jul 28, 1600Z to Jul 29, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial and NJ county or S/P or "DX". Logs due: Aug 15. Rules <http://www.njqp.hamshack.info/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

18 July through 31 July

- July 18 - West Virginia QSO Party
<http://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/wvqp/wvqp.html>
- July 18 - RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r80mcc.shtml>
- July 21 - PODXS 070 Club 40m Firecracker Sprint
<http://www.podxs070.com/40-meter-firecracker-sprint>
- July 22 - WAB 144 MHz Low Power Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>
- July 22 - QRP ARCI Summer Homebrew Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8396/118/>
- July 23 - 10-10 Int. Spirit of 76 QSO Party
<http://ten-ten.org/Forms/spirit.pdf>
- July 23 - DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teilnahmebedingungen/>

- July 24 - Marconi Memorial HF Contest
<http://www.arifano.it/Contest_Marconi.htm>
- July 24 - Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest <http://www.izmail-dx.com/>
- July 24 - ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/field-day>
- July 30 - GACW WWSA CW DX Contest
<http://www.wwsatest.org/basesingles.htm>
- July 31 - SEANET Contest
<http://2012sea.net/mambo/content/view/5/12/>
- July 31 - All Asian DX Contest, CW
<http://www.jarl.or.jp/English/4_Library/A-4-3_Contests/2012AA_rule.htm>
- July 31 - RAC Canada Day Contest
<http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/2012%20RAC%20Canda%20Day%20Contest%20Rules%20-%20English%20and%20French.pdf>
- July 31 - Original QRP Contest
<http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/oqrpr.html>

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1276. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 18 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Message-ID: <001636c92779727ae304c518b09e@google.com>
Source record: 2543
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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NXDN(tm) specification released

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tSM9NEGKvCY/nxdn_specification_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The technical specification for NXDN™, a FDMA digital voice technology supported by ICOM and Kenwood, is being opened to the public domain

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The MM0RAI/P Rockall Story

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GtEx9ey_KVs/mm0rai_p_rockall_eu_189.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Our Rockall story takes-off during the 2008 IOTA contest. We activated Goeree EU-146 as PB2M and had built ourselves a high power portable contest station but finished only third that year. It was clear to us that we were in need of an exclusive 'most wanted' location. DX connoisseur Theo ON4ATW had one in mind: Rockall Island..

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Haraoa ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TllKD6qG2Kc/haraoa_zl9hr_dxpedition_to_campbell_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Things are moving quickly on preparations for the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia's ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island (650 km or 400 miles south of New Zealand in the Southern Ocean)

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SkyCube uses Kickstarter for funding

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Hqt-VmEplRo/skycube_uses_kickstarter_for_funding.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A fundraising campaign for the satellite, SkyCube, launched on Kickstarter last weekend (July 14) with the goal of raising $82,500

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GmKxX0dEkKo/dxcc_report_1807.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
8th-July, through Sunday, 15th-July there were 216 countries active

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Special Amateur Radio Station 2O12L

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XIll2v0c4J4/special_amateur_radio_station_2o12l.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As a celebration of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, two flagship
amateur radio stations will be active during the Games as part of the
Cultural Olympiad

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r3_0E4bF8Jw/july_18.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Brunei DXpedition planned

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZGedwSadLQY/brunei_dxpedition_planned.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Gemilang Amamteur Radio Club (GEMILANG Radio) and the
Mediterraneo DX Club will team-up and sponsor/plan another DXpedition, this
time to Brunei (OC-088)

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PIE1 - Raspberry Pi sends live images from near space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CqXig-vGoU0/pie1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dave Akerman has used a Raspberry Pi computer board as the flight computer
on a High Altitude Balloon (HAB) and sent back live images from near space
at an altitude of almost 40 km

1277. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 29 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-18 11:20:44 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <201207181015.q6lAFCrp016636@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2544
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-07-18
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** HOLIDAY TIME **

As well as yourself, several of our editors are on holiday and so
it might be not possible to have all functions and mails answered
in the normal and short time as you know a responce from our Team.
Please be so kind an be patient - as well we do need holiday!!!

** Possible services unavailable! **

Please be informed that on July 19th some services at MMMonVHF
might be not working properly or be unavailable due to scheduled
maintenance of a supporting server! Sorry for this inconvenience!

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: VP9I: Bermuda ; square FM72 ; start 2012-07-13 **

A team consistant of Dit, DF7KF, Angelo, DM1AC and Joe, DL9MS are
going to be qrv from Bermuda as VP9I at FM72OH in July on 144 MHZ
via EME - LATEST NEWS by Guido, DL8EBW, dated 2012-07-16:
The Team have scheduled 23cm (1296.160 MHz) for friday July, 20th
and 70cm for Saturday July, 21th - if any wants Sked, please to
Jo, DL9MS. You will find a Log of all done EME QSOs lower the end
of these Page: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=4155
SOURCE: tnx to Jo, DL9MS, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OH ; Square: KP53-KP07-KP03 ; start 2012-07-09 **

Peter PA3BIY traveling through OH & SM with 2m station. LATEST NEWS
by Peter, PA3BIY, dated 2012-07-17: Peter just send a note that he
might not be qrv from KP46 - NEWS by Peter, PA3BIY, dated 2012-07-15:
Due to a very great help of Jussi, OH6ZZ, Peter is ready again with
his setup! Tomorrow morning last day n KP53, then to KP45 or 46
(Kuusamo area). SOURCE: tnx to Peter, PA3BIY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OX ; Square: HP15 ; start 2012-07-28 **

OX3LX qrv from HP15EO on HF, 2m 4m and 6m Again this year I have
some work to do in HP15 so therefore I will be QRV when not at QRL
on 2m,4m and 6m. It will also be possible to find me on HF 1.8-30
MHz where I am QRV from NA-151. Main focus is 2m EME and 4m Es
Setup is: 4m/6m 100W 4 elm duoband. 2m 1KW M2-5WL 17 elm yagi with
manual elevation and azimut. QRG's will be decide when on site.
please find me on EU/NA ON4KST or JT65 EME chat
SOURCE: tnx to OZ1DJJ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SP ; Square: JO84 ; start 2012-08-05 **

Rolf, DK2ZF will be qrv from Holiday Place in JO84TH Holiday style -
most of the time will be fishing.. hopefully succesful ! But will
join the Perseids !!! No internet - its an isolated site - 70.200
with QSX 69.950/990 for DL
SOURCE: tnx to Rolf, DK2ZF, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EI ; Square: IO42 ; start 2012-08-09 **

EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD - LATEST NEWS from EI8IQ,
dated 2012-07-12: EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD
We hope to be QRV from the evening of the 9th to the afternoon of
the 13th from IO42.(Dates may vary). Will be on ON4KST when operation
starts. Equipment,QRG,s,Modes,Dates to be decided and when confirmed
will be updated here. QSL Direct or via Bureau. For direct QSLs please
send via EI8IQ with donation to cover return postage.
SOURCE: tnx to EI8IQ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Square: JO44 ; start 2012-08-25 **

Andy DG3XA will be qrv from the Island of Amrum JO44EP
QRV 144 Mhz with 50 watts @ 3 ele / 6m with Dipol TRXV: IC 7000 very
small rig, because i carry my rig by bike on the island.
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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Mek SP7VC and Waldi SP7IDX will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC
from Mageroya isl. EU-044,QTH: locator KQ21VC at Nordkapp at the
Barents Sea - between 20.07-29.07.2012 - We will work in holiday style

(we also go fishing).We plan to use 2 stations: the first for HF band
the second for the 50Mhz. We will operate on bands from 80 to 6m on
ssb, rtty, also in IOTA Contest 2012
SOURCE: tnx to Mek, SP7VC, direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido, DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

1278. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 17 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-18 11:33:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efd4a6ad7e704c5112e70@google.com>
Source record: 2545
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 16 Jul 2012 10:59 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFLFWBW6zlvAadX6stOAQqV4y2QGQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/wca_1607.htm

Amateur Radio World Castles Award
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Vasek OK2AN will be active from the 28th of July till 4th of August 2012
from several castles.

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Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world - Newnan Times-Herald

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 03:22 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE7CrI8kjAoZKbt13EYkZ7YFn0o6Q&url=http://www.times-herald.com/local/20120628HamRadio-MOS

Newnan Times-Herald
Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world
Newnan Times-Herald
Phillip Hamlin, Tom Dutton and Tom Williamson work with a radio receiving
digital signals during. Photo by Bob Fraley. Phillip Hamlin, Tom Dutton and
Tom Williamson work with a radio receiving digital signals during the
weekend amateur radio field day ...
Amateur radio club tests emergency communicationStar Community Newspapers
Field day tests Ham radios reach from Austin and beyondPost-Bulletin
Police Explorers Begin Amateur Radio ClassesThe Missourian
Patch.com -KRTV Great Falls News -Calhountimes
all 22 news articles

1279. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 18 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-18 16:16:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852b43186b04c51cfbcb@google.com>
Source record: 2546
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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H40FN Temotu Province Solomon Islands

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 01:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354444-H40FN-Temotu-Province-Solomon-Islands&goto=newpost

DK9FN will be active again from Temotu Province , Solomon Islands 22 December 2012 - 7 January 2013 as H40FN

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-islands_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

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Iota as146 weihai china ham (jiming island iota cq contest) 7.25----7.30

Posted: 17 Jul 2012 10:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354353-Iota-as146-weihai-china-ham-(jiming-island-iota-cq-contest)-7-25-7-30&goto=newpost

IOTA AS146 WEIHAI CHINA HAM (JIMING ISLAND IOTA CQ CONTEST)

Date; JUL 25.2012 (UTC04; 00) ----- JUL 30.2012, (UTC07; 00).

07.25.2012BJT1200-----07.30.2012(BJT06;00)

Operator; ***BD4KYA / 4 BG4KLA/4 BG3MKT/4 (SSB RTTY) ***BD4KRB / 4 (CW)

TX/RX;***TS-590S *** TS-480HX *** FT-897D

ATN; 14-50MHZ HVD 7MHZGP 3.79MHZ Vertical+ATU

QTH; NO1-CW NO2-SSB FROM JIMING ISLAND

Note; landing and withdrawal of the island according to local weather, pay attention to the concern

QSL;BD4KYA/4 Direct or Bureau

QSL'BG4KLA/4 Direct or Bureau

QSL;BD4KRB/4 Direct or NO Bureau

QSL'BG3MKT/4 Direct or Bureau

Note; the Bureau takes a long time.

VY73

DE BD4KYA

JUL 18.2012

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Multi-OP single transmitter Question for 2012 IARU HF Competition

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353880-Multi-OP-single-transmitter-Question-for-2012-IARU-HF-Competition&goto=newpost

Hey Forum,

My dad (KD0OYC) and myself (KD0OYE) want to take part in this weekends IARU HF competition in the Multi-Operator Single Transmitter category but I have a few questions. Do we each use our own callsign when we operate or do we decide on one of our callsigns to use for the whole competition? Also how does the logging of contacts work for multi-op single transmitter?

Any help would be great! We've never worked Multi-Op before so if you could steer us in the right direction that would be great!!!

Thanks in Advance,

KD0OYE

1280. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 18 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-18 16:22:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bbafb159f1404c51d13ab@google.com>
Source record: 2547
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NXDN specification released

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 03:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354454-NXDN-specification-released&goto=newpost

NXDN☐ specification released

The technical specification for NXDN☐, a FDMA
digital voice technology supported by ICOM and Kenwood, is being opened to
the public domain.

For the past 5 years both ICOM and Kenwood have been
producing VHF/UHF mobiles, handhelds and repeaters to the NXDN☐ standard.
The equipment has a transmitted bandwidth of 4.0 kHz and is typically used
in 6.25 kHz channel spacing systems.

The specification is currently available in response to an
email request but the NXDN☐ Forum indicates it will be available for
direct download later in the year.

The NXDN☐ press release reads:

The Chair of the NXDN☐ Forum announced that the Forum
Steering Committee will open the NXDN technical standards to the industry
public.

Interested companies can obtain the information for the NXDN
technical standards by following the instructions on the NXDN Forum web
site http://www.nxdn-forum.com/instructions/

NXDN Digital products are deployed throughout the world in
hundreds of thousands of professional radio applications. As NXDN☐s
popularity continues to grow it will easily become the primary next
generation narrowband two-way radio digital protocol and increase demand
in the market for products from multiple vendors. To accelerate the spread
of NXDN and to expand on the opportunities it provides, the NXDN Steering
Committee has agreed to open the technical specification to the public
domain.

The NXDN Forum will continue to accept new members after
opening the technical specifications and will govern the NXDN
specification and related interoperability testing and certification.

NXDN□ Forum

http://www.nxdn-forum.com/

2005 Icom and Kenwood demo 'Very Narrowband Digital Communications Technology'

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/apr2005/icom_kenwood_demo.htm

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1281. eHam.net News for Wednesday 18 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-18 22:27:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e84f8b13b1004c5222934@google.com>
Source record: 2548
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hams Link St. Martin Cane Field to the Rest of the World:

Posted: 17 Jul 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28638

St. Martinville -- On the weekend of June 23 and 24, the local area amateur radio club once again participated in the annual ham radio contest sponsored by ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. The local ham radio club, known as the Louisiana Cane Field Contest Club, joined approximately 35,000 operators from all corners throughout the North American continent contesting to see who could make the most contacts in a 24 hour period. Over the past year, the news has been full of reports of ham radio operators providing critical communications during unexpected emergencies in towns across America including the California wildfires, winter storms, tornadoes and other events world-wide. When trouble is brewing, Amateur Radio's people are often the first to provide rescuers with critical information and communications.

1282. HOT HOT HOT VIDEOS AND COLLEGE GIRLS SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-19 02:04:24 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1f286780-9f70-467d-84da-b4265c3fa2b1@m2g2000pbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2549

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1283. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 19 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-19 11:06:00 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba2124b126bef304c52cc31f@google.com>
Source record: 2550
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HQz5X7gsgWw/july_19.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Drab early part of the week with the contest at the weekend raising the
ante such that 5 contacts were needed to get into the list. Sunday though,
was not as good as Saturday with HQ stations every where

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Coventry Social Event open to all

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/k01HFeKD3b0/coventry_social_event_open_to_all.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society has organised a social event in
Coventry and all are welcome. It will take place on Friday 14th, Saturday
15th and Sunday 16th September

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ILLW continues to grow

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tT_i8FjpnN4/illw_continues_to_grow.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With 315 registrations so far, the 15th annual International Lighthouse and
Lightship Weekend in August is headed for another record year

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Eight band WebSDR back online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TI2vZNNVEhk/eight_band_web_sdr_back_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The University of Twente eight-band WebSDR, which in 2008 was the very
first WebSDR site ever, was reactivated in July after an interruption of 20
months

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How to build 2.5 million antennas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9fMxJJRIheE/how_to_build_2_5_million_antennas.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

How to build 2.5 million antennas for the Square Kilometre Array (SKA)
telescope

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DXCC News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LqzJlMQXbkw/dxcc_news_1907.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, has news of more operations
approved for DXCC credit

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Low-cost Amateur Radio balloon repeater

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_JOw87DAUfc/low_cost_amateur_radio_balloon_repeater.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Spanish radio hams have used two low cost ($45) handheld FM transceivers to
make a cross-band repeater which they then launched on a High Altitude
Balloon (HAB)

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Live TV broadcast for launch of HTV-3 CubeSats

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_RNyzwivzyQ/live_tv_broadcast_for_launch_of_htv3_cubesats.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The launch of five CubeSats will be broadcast live on the web on July 21

1284. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 18 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-19 13:17:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ff5b9b03c04c5254009@google.com>
Source record: 2451
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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VIDEO: Middletown Amateur Radio Club Marks 50 Years Since Telstar Launch - Patch.com

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 02:52 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFiZ0szkQnGAXUzf69OaHXO2VBeXw&url=http://middletown-nj.patch.com/articles/telstar

VIDEO: Middletown Amateur Radio Club Marks 50 Years Since Telstar Launch
Patch.com
... Email the author; 5:00 am. Tweet. Email. Print. Comment. 0 of 0. new Video_thumb. Embed | Share. The Middletown Amateur Radio Clubs Steve Wolkovitz of Holmdel demonstrates on July 10 how ham operators communicate with people around the world.

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City Beat features amateur radio, bocce, movieSPEAK - Savannah Morning News

Posted: 17 Jul 2012 09:14 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGYE2myDRSFWZheIp9lCI0MqkeWgQ&url=http://savannahnow.com/bluffton-sun-city/2012-07-18/city-beat-features-amateur-radio-bocce-moviespeak

City Beat features amateur radio, bocce, movieSPEAK
Savannah Morning News
They were at the amateur radio club field day and talk with some ham radio operators. Ed Harper shows how to play bocce and Safranek interviews Bonnie Strongin, a movie analyst for movieSPEAK. There also is a bragging rights segment featuring Dr. Lou ...

and more

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Double delight for Barry Amateur Radio Society, with funding boost and Olympic ... - Barry and District News

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 12:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGjZ2PH_e1KxqOdFFPMpiSBPiwCMQ&url=http://www.barryanddistrictnews.co.uk/news/9813483.Double_delight_for_Barry_Amateur_Radio_Society__with_funding_boost_and_Olympic_honour/?ref%3Dnt

Double delight for Barry Amateur Radio Society, with funding boost and Olympic ...

Barry and District News
BARRY Amateur Radio Society (BARS) has struck gold, after being awarded a £4795 grant through the Big Lottery Funds Awards For All programme. The club has used the money to buy new equipment, which will allow members to broadcast all over the ...
Special Amateur Radio Station 2O12LSouthgate Amateur Radio Club

all 2 news articles

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West Ham sign Maiga from Sochaux - Radio Netherlands

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 12:32 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFLvYk4_g76axzaHalxH0KwSu-rcw&url=http://www.rnw.nl/africa/bulletin/west-ham-sign-maiga-sochaux

West Ham sign Maiga from Sochaux
Radio Netherlands
Maiga was West Hams fifth signing since they gained promotion by winning the second-tier Championship play-off final, following Mohamed Diame, George McCartney, Jussi Jaaskelainen and Stephen Henderson to Upton Park. Bamako-born Maiga stared ...

and more

1285. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 19 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-19 16:27:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043fb4c17604c5313f90@google.com>
Source record: 2452
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Going /AM: An Interview With PH9HB

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 12:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353261-Going-AM-An-Interview-With-PH9HB&goto=newpost

Hi folks,

just wanted to let you know about my last piece for DXCoffee.com, which I
hope will reveal as interesting as it's been writing it!

It's about Jerry van der Goot, an airline captain who operates /AM during
some of his flights. You probably have noticed PH9HB/AM on the cluster.

Here is the interview with him in English:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/07/...r-radio-cloud/

And here in Italian:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/ita/2012/07/...ano-dal-cielo/

Thanks a lot for your attention and vy 73,

Chris

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Big Solar Storm Hits Earth HF black Out Wide Spread across the HF bands

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 10:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353169-Big-Solar-Storm-Hits-Earth-HF-black-Out-Wide-Spread-across-the-HF-bands&goto=newpost

Extent of blackout of HF (high frequency) radio communication dependent
upon current X-ray Flux intensity.

Sunspot 1515 which is now about to rotate onto the western limb produced a
strong M6.9 Solar Flare at 16:32 UTC Sunday afternoon. Because of the
Sunspots location, any potential CME would be directed mostly away from
Earth. More updates to follow.

Space Weather Message Code: ALTXMF

Movie of the CME LINK

Serial Number: 176

Issue Time: 2012 Jul 08 1631 UTC

ALERT: X-Ray Flux exceeded M5

Threshold Reached: 2012 Jul 08 1630 UTC

NOAA Scale: R2 - Moderate

Potential Impacts: Area of impact centered on sub-solar point on the sunlit
side of Earth. Extent of blackout of HF (high frequency) radio
communication dependent upon current X-ray Flux intensity. For real-time
information on affected area and expected duration please see
http://www.solarham.net/index.htm

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New Executive Order Issued... What will it mean for Ham Radio?

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 05:32 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353129-New-Executive-Order-Issued-What-will-it-mean-for-Ham-Radio&goto=newpost

I haven't read it slowly enough to digest it. I wonder what it will mean
for Amateur Radio? Read for yourself:

http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-...-preparedness-

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Webinar - Update on Cycle 24 And More

Posted: 08 Jul 2012 03:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353121-Webinar-Update-on-Cycle-24-And-More&goto=newpost

Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, in an August 2009 PVRC Webinar discussed the
solar minimum between Cycle 23 and 24, and the early status of Cycle 24.
His July 2012 Webinar will review our recent solar minimum, review Cycle
24's present status, and discuss propagation in relation to the progress of
Cycle 24. Two other topics to be discussed will be the effect of trees on
HF and MF propagation, and the best height for your antenna.

The presentation will be held on two dates.

Date: Wednesday, July 18

Time: 9 PM EDT (Thursday, July 19 - 01:00 UTC)

Registration (free): https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/606121362

Date: Saturday, July 21

Time: 19:00 UTC (3 PM EDT)

Registration (free): https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/699956578

Ken K4ZW

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RFinder - The Worldwide Repeater Directory (WWRD) now supports AvMap G5/G6 APRS

Posted: 06 Jul 2012 08:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352968-RFinder-The-Worldwide-Repeater-Directory-(WWRD)-now-supports-AvMap-G5-G6-APRS&goto=newpost

Press Release

07/06/2012

From the QTH of W2CYK

For immediate release

RFinder - The Worldwide Repeater Directory (WWRD) now has a new user interface! AvMap G5/G6 APRS, the GPS for Amateur Radio Operators.

We are pleased to announce that RFinder support AvMap Points of Interest. This means you can pre-populate your GPS device with repeater data on your route, and see machines on the map or in a listing with connection details such as frequency, shift, PL, etc. Just go to http://web.rfinder.net, put in your location and radius. Choose AVMap and click export. Then import the resulting file into AvMap GeoSat software on Windows or Mac and write it to your device.

The WWRD Supporting AvMap is just another step of making The World Wide Repeater Directory, it's third party applications such as RT Systems and CHIRP and of course the RFinder family of programs on iPhone, Android and www, Ham Radio's one-stop-shop for repeater data, no matter what the technology used for repeating radio signals. No matter what computing device you use to look up repeater data anywhere on earth. AvMap APRS GPS was the next logical place for The World Wide Repeater Directory to be.

RFinder is available in the Apple App Store for iPhone and Android, the web version can be found at http://www.rfinder.net.

RT Systems radio programming software for Window is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://www.rtsystemsinc.com

CHIRP is open source software and is WWRD enabled and can be found at http://chirp.danplanet.com

AvMap information can be found at http://www.avmap.us/products/terr/geosat_6_aprs-664/introduction

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Screen Shot 2012-07-06 at 11.03.55 PM.png (157.4 KB)

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1821 July 6 2012

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 09:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352859-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1821--July-6-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1821 ☐ July 6 2012

Please note that this is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline bulletin and contains three breaks. Newscast begins following the tone.

(Single beep here)

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1821 with a release date of July 6, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds as a severe weather outbreak hits the Mid-West and Mid-Atlantic U-S; a new D-X record is set using the ageing Amsat Oscar 7 satellite; a big tower victory in Nevada and Erin King, AK4JG is named the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1821 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDS AS WINDSTORM HITS MID WEST AND MID ATLANTIC STATES

The governors of several states have declared emergencies as temperatures rose in the aftermath of powerful storms that swept through the mid-Atlantic region Friday night, July 29th. The storm did damage from Indiana to New Jersey, although the bulk of its destruction was felt in West Virginia, Washington and suburban Virginia and Maryland. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, begins our coverage of this severe weather outbreak and whats known about the ham radio response thus far:

1286. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 19 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-19 16:34:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed15597204c53159b9@google.com>
Source record: 2453
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Unique Activation: The "Irish Alcatraz" on the Air - Wed-8-August

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 04:00 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354600-Unique-Activation-The-quot-Irish-Alcatraz-quot-on-the-Air-Wed-8-August&goto=newpost

The "Irish Alcatraz" on the Air

On Wednesday 8-August from 10AM till 4PM (UTC) the North Cork Radio Group (www.ei1nc.com) will activate Spike Island, a Unique First Time Activation!

Spike Island was significant in the French intervention following the Glorious Revolution, and was later purchased by the British government in 1779 □ becoming the site of Fort Westmoreland. (Named for John Fane, then Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.)

Later a prison and convict depot, it was used to house "convicts" prior to penal transportation. It gained a reputation as "Ireland's Alcatraz". It remained in use as a garrison and prison through the Irish War of Independence, when IRA prisoners were held there. Richard Barrett was among those detained there, but escaped during the truce of 1921.

Following the Anglo-Irish Treaty, the island remained as one of the Treaty Ports, and was only handed back to the Free State in 1938. Upon its handover to the Irish state, the island's installations were renamed Fort Mitchel (after John Mitchel, nationalist activist and political journalist).

More info on Spike Island:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spike_Island,_County_Cork

The NCRG will have 3 SSB stations:

40m - 7.170 +/- QRM

20m - 14.270 +/- QRM

15m - 21.270 +/- QRM

Follow the NCRG on Twitter and Facebook:

Updates on actual frequencies and operators can be followed on the day itself: http://twitter.com/ei1nc

The Twitter page will automatically post to Facebook:
http://www.facebook.com/ei1nc

If you like to join the discussion, request join our FB-page:
https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/ei1nc/

QSL cards:

A special QSL card will be used, design will be from pictures taken on the day of activation

If you like to see sample QSL cards of past activations, and for more information on the North Cork Radio Group, please visit
http://www.ei1nc.com/Events.htm

QSL cards will be 100% returned, please see the EI1NC QRZ page for QSL details.

Spike Island activation references:

CASHOTA : EI019/C (www.cashota.co.uk / www.cashota-ireland.org)

IOTA : EU-115 (Mainland Ireland)

Locator : IO51uu

WAI : W86 (Worked All Ireland; http://www.irts.ie/cgi/wai.cgi)

Call Sign : EI1NC/P

Spike Island Geographical references:

normal Grid Ref = W 803 646

10 digit Grid Ref = W 80394 64650

Latitude = 51.83388 (north)

Longitude = -8.28446 (west)

Latitude = 51°50'2" (north)

Longitude = 8°17'4" (west)

Tetrad = W86C

Altidude = 26 metres

We really hope to hear and work you on Wednesday 8-August!

Happy DX

73 DE EI1NC

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Special Event W7C

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 11:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354586-Special-Event-W7C&goto=newpost

W7C will be used July 22 thru 29 2012, 48 year anniversary for our net:

The Western Country Cousin 75 meter net is having annual Camp out and picnic in Rio Vista CA Saturday July 28, 2012. Rio Vista is located 31 miles South of Sacramento CA on the Sacramento River. The event will be at the Sandy Beach park. The park has RV spaces adjoining.

Breakfast and Dinner will be served for all attendees. You do not have to be a member or Amateur to join us in the festivities. We are a social net and welcome all.

More information is located on our web site: http://www.wccnet.us/

Our club call, W6CCN is good on QRZ.com with Google map pin pointing exact location. Just go to QRZ, look up W6CCN, click on detail, a expandable map will come up. If you click on satellite view, an actual picture of picnic location shows up.

Hope to see you all there. We will also be using Special Event call W7C during the week. A raffle will be held on Saturday for a Yaesu VX7 tri band radio, a 2 meter 440 hand held, a ships clock replica, some antennas, more.

73, N5SWE

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V84smd survey

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 11:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354515-V84smd-survey&goto=newpost

Pelaste can you insert your votes on
http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd/brunei-survey/ is very important for our team.

Fraternal regards Ant iz8ccw

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MM0RAI Rockall - The Story

Posted: 14 Jul 2012 01:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353907-MM0RAI-Rockall-The-Story&goto=newpost

HI guys,

the complete and exclusive story of Rockall activation (MM0RAI).

For DxCoffee by Patrick ON4HIL

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/07/13/rockall-story/

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1287. The ARRL Letter for July 19, 2012

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From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120719174228.CDA6626146@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + 2012 SECOND MEETING OF THE ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS SET FOR JULY
20-21, AGENDA ANNOUNCED

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of the Board are the Directors who are elected by the ARRL members in
their respective divisions. The Board meets in January and July,
usually in the Hartford area. ARRL members also elect Vice Directors
who may attend the meetings. ARRL Directors and Vice Directors are
volunteers who work hard to represent the ARRL in their divisions, to
represent the members who elect them on policy issues and to conduct
the committee work that is so important to good decision-making. The
Board will be meeting for its 2012 Second Meeting July 20-21; the
meeting will be preceded by meetings of the Administration and Finance
Committee and the Programs and Services Committee. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/2012-second-meeting-of-the-arrl-board-of-directors-
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set-for-july-20-21-agenda-announced>.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: ASTRONAUT DON PETTIT, KD5MDT, CHATS WITH ARRL

NASA Astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT, sat down with ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA, on Thursday, July 12, for a one-on-one interview about ham radio and life on the International Space Station (ISS). Pettit returned from the ISS on July 1 where he served as part of Expedition 31, spending 193 days in space. He first ventured into space in 2002 on the space shuttle Endeavour as part of Expedition 6, logging more than 161 days in space. In 2008, he was a part of the crew on STS-126, also on Endeavour. Pettit holds the distinction of spending 370 days in space, placing him fourth among US space fliers for the longest time in space. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/astronaut-don-pettit-kd5mdt-chats-with-arrl>.

==> + DIGITAL EDITION OF AUGUST QST NOW AVAILABLE

The digital version of the August QST is now available <http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201208/> to ARRL members. The digital version includes many features not available in the print version, such as:

- The complete 2011 edition of The DXCC Yearboook
- Video overviews of two MFJ automatic antenna tuners and the ICOM ID-31A transceiver
- An expanded version of "Remote Radio Control Made Easy," by John Raydo, K0IZ

Every issue of QST is filled with the news and features you need to keep active in Amateur Radio. After you read through it, visit the Digital QST Feedback Form <http://www.arrl.org/digital-qst-feedback-form> and tell us what you enjoyed! QST is the official journal of the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join or renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL Web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC DENIES ARIZONA HAM'S PETITION TO EXTEND PRB-1 TO PRIVATE CONTRACTS, SUCH AS CC&RS

In January 2012, Leonard Umina, W7CCE, of Gilbert, Arizona, filed a Petition for Rulemaking, asking the FCC to "expand its policy of limited preemption of state and local regulations governing amateur station facilities to preempt private land use regulations such as covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs) and rental agreements that limit amateur licensees' ability to deploy antennas." On July 16, the FCC notified Umina that it had denied his Petition. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-denies-arizona-ham-s-em-petition-em-to-extend-prb-1-to-private-contracts-such-as-cc-rs>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC FINES ALASKA MAN FOR INTERFERING WITH AIR TRAFFIC USING CB RADIO

On July 17, the FCC announced that it had issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture and Order in the amount of $12,500 to Glenn S. Yamada, of Kenai, Alaska. Yamada is accused of "apparently willfully and repeatedly violat[ing] Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 95.409(a) and 95.411(a)(1) and (b) of the FCC Rules by operating his CB radio without requisite Commission authorization." In January 2012, the FCC received a complaint regarding interference to an authorized user in the aeronautical band -- a safety of life service -- on 21.964 MHz. According to the FCC, the complaint "Concerned a male subject talking and interfering with the control and monitoring of air traffic over the North Atlantic." The FCC's High Frequency Direction Finding Center (HFDFC) monitored the frequency over the next few days, and on January 31, "observed a subject matching the details of the compliant transmitting on the frequency 21.965 MHz." The HFDFC noted that the subject was using the call "1600 Alaska," that the actual operating frequency was 27.025 (CB channel 6) and that the transmissions were coming from Kenai. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-fines-alaska-man-for-interfering-with-air-traffic-using-cb-radio>.

==> + W1AW: W1AW'S ECHOLINK AND IRLP NODES TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

Recent upgrades <http://www.arrl.org/news/disruptions-possible-as-arrl-reconfigures-internet-services> to the ARRL's Internet system has caused access to both the W1AW EchoLink Conference Server W1AWBDCT and W1AW's IRLP Node 4292 <http://www.arrl.org/echolink-irlp> to be temporarily suspended. Access to both W1AW systems can be expected by month's end. We apologize for the inconvenience.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The total eclipse of the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mQZmCJUSC6g>" Cook, K7RA, reports: In last week's Solar Update <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-k7ra-solar-update-226>, I reported a blast of energy from a solar flare headed our way, with a predicted arrival of Saturday, July 14. The CME hit at 1800 UTC, and had a huge effect on propagation and geomagnetic indices. The next day, the planetary A index was 60, the mid latitude A index was 39 and the high latitude college A index was 88. Conditions haven't been this disturbed since March 9, 2012, when the mid-latitude A index was 57, planetary A index was 67 and the college A index was 107. All other indices were lower, with the weekly average of daily sunspot numbers down more than 16 points to 104.7, while the average daily solar flux was down 25 points to 141.8. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF has solar flux at 100 on July 19, 95 on July 18-22, back to 100 on July 23, 105 on July 24-25, then 125 and 150 on July 26-27, and 165 on July 28-August 2. The

predicted planetary A index is 5 on July 19-21, then 12 and 8 on July 22-23, 5 on July 24-26, then 25 on July 27, 20 on July 28-29, 10 on July 30-31, 15 on August 1-2, 10 on August 3-4, 8 on August 5, and back down to 5 on August 6-22. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, July 20. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Carly Simon's You're So Vain <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/You%27re_so_vain>.

==> TAPR ACCEPTING ORDERS FOR HERMES SDR TRANSCEIVER

Tucson Amateur Packet Radio (TAPR <http://www.tapr.org/>) is now accepting orders for the Hermes software-defined transceiver. Hermes is part of the non-profit openHPSDR project. Spanning 50 kHz-55 MHz, the Hermes transceiver <http://openhpsdr.org/wiki/index.php?title=HERMES> includes a direct down-conversion receiver, a direct up-conversion 500-mW transmitter and a gigabit Ethernet interface -- all on one board. Also on board is an RF-quiet switch-mode power supply, allowing Hermes to run from a single 13.8 V dc source. The transceiver is completely assembled and tested. The price of the Hermes transceiver is $895 for TAPR members; the price for non-members is $940. The order page <http://tapr.org/kits_hermes.html> will close Wednesday July 25. TAPR states that there will be only one production run of Hermes boards and that they will build only the number necessary to fulfill orders received on or before the July 25 cutoff. Estimated delivery is October 15.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- July 20 -- NCCC Sprint
- July 21 -- Russian Radio Team Championship; Feld Hell Sprint
- July 21-22 -- North American QSO Party (RTTY); DMC RTTY Contest; CQ Worldwide VHF Contest
- July 22 -- RSGB Low Power Contest
- July 25 -- SKCC Sprint
- July 25-26 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- July 27 -- NCCC Sprint
- July 28-29 -- New Jersey QSO Party; RSGB IOTA Contest
- July 29 -- ARS Flight of the Bumblebees

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 20-22 -- ARRL Montana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/montana-state-convention-78th-glacier-waterton-international-hamfest>,
East Glacier, Montana
- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-hamfest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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1288. eHam.net News for Thursday 19 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-19 22:35:32 UTC
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Message-ID: <14dae93410011d800604c53665c2@google.com>
Source record: 2455
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #29:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 08:22 AM PDT
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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 07:25 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28646

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http://www.eham.net/articles/28644

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FCC Denies Arizona Ham's Petition to Extend PRB-1 to Private Contracts:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 07:23 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28643

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FCC Fines Alaska Man for Interfering with Air Traffic Using a CB:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 07:18 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28642

On July 17, the FCC announced that it had issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture and Order in the amount of $12,500 to Glenn S. Yamada, of Kenai, Alaska. Yamada is accused of "apparently willfully and repeatedly violat[ing] Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 95.409(a) and 95.411(a)(1) and (b) of the FCC Rules by operating his CB radio without requisite Commission authorization."

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W1AW's EchoLink and IRLP Nodes Temporarily Suspended:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 07:24 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28641

Recent upgrades to the ARRL's Internet system has caused access to both the W1AW
EchoLink Conference Server W1AWBDCT and W1AW's IRLP Node 4292 to be temporarily suspended. Access
to both W1AW systems can be expected by month's end. We apologize for the inconvenience.

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TAPR Accepting Orders for Hermes SDR Transceiver:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 07:22 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28640

Tucson Amateur Packet Radio (TAPR) is now
accepting orders for the Hermes software-defined transceiver. Hermes is part of the non-profit openHPSDR project. Spanning 50 kHz-55 MHz, the includes a direct down-conversion receiver, a direct up-conversion 500-mW transmitter and a gigabit Ethernet interface -- all on one board. Also on board is an RF-quiet switch-mode power supply, allowing Hermes to run from a single 13.8 V dc source. The transceiver is completely assembled and tested.

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The First Annual Antenna On the Air Party:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 07:21 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28639

Purpose: to get as many hams on the air as possible that weekend, and help hams know about different antennas, and hear how they get out, so they can put up one just like it. I want us hams demonstrating our antennas, so other hams, can put up better antennas if they hear one they like.

1289. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 19 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-20 02:37:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efd4a063bca04c539c8ff@google.com>
Source record: 2456
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators stay tuned in - Sonoma Valley Sun

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 06:50 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH453Y0fYmlRMrpePJAqIo1TF5AMA&url=http://news.sonomaportal.com/2012/07/19/ham-radio-operators-stay-tuned-in/

Ham radio operators stay tuned in
Sonoma Valley Sun
Whether its ravaging floods, raging fire or a devastating earthquake, vital information will be passed along to emergency personnel and the public when amateur radio operators power up their communication system. In Sonoma Valley, there is a group of ...

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Damage & Photos form Severe Storms Wednesday - NECN

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 09:18 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHzJoJIJ0YHpUYkAmALxyT94oeTcg&url=http://www.necn.com/07/18/12/bDanielle-Niles-bDamage--Photos-form-Sev/landing_weathernewengland.html?blockID%3D742121%26feedID%3D6238

NECN
Damage & Photos form Severe Storms Wednesday
NECN
0123 PM HAIL DRACUT 42.67N 71.30W 07/18/2012 E1.00 INCH MIDDLESEX MA AMATEUR RADIO 0155 PM FUNNEL CLOUD PEABODY 42.53N 70.97W 07/18/2012 ESSEX MA AMATEUR RADIO 0200 PM HAIL LYNNFIELD 42.54N 71.04W 07/18/2012 ...

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Local hams are still on the air - Shore News Today

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 03:00 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEy91EdYWYZiK3NsF8K24kN4nLcgA&url=http://www.shorenewstoday.com/snt/news/index.php/2010-04-07-20-18-16/middle-township-news/27495-local-hams-are-still-on-the-air-.html

Fulton Valley News (subscription) (blog)
Local hams are still on the air
Shore News Today
Often, so do ham radio operators. When Cape May County was under mandatory evacuation last August for Hurricane Irene, amateur radio operators were in

the County Emergency Management Office in the basement of the county library, ready to keep the ...
Fulton Amateur Radio Club members show off their skillsFulton Valley News (subscription) (blog)

all 2 news articles

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Sheriff's Office Seeking Special Deputies - Patch.com

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 05:49 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH20hRMf0SAwbXvS2xepuS7L8SqFQ&url=http://edina.patch.com/articles/sheriff-s-office-seeking-special-deputies

Sheriffs Office Seeking Special Deputies
Patch.com
Volunteers are needed for a variety of units, including water patrol, emergency squad, mobile amateur radio corps and mounted patrol. By Ryan Gauthier; Email the author; 6:45 am. Tweet. Email. Print. Comment. ‹ Back to Article. new Video_thumb. Embed ...

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Special Amateur Radio Station 2O12L - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 17 Jul 2012 11:51 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHQCC0JLIxN4v5aUR8fOsDJbDS0ng&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/special_amateur_radio_station_2o12l.htm

Special Amateur Radio Station 2O12L
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
As a celebration of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, two flagship amateur radio stations will be active during the Games as part of the Cultural Olympiad. The Cray Valley Radio Society is to host Englands celebration from the Royal Borough of ...

and more

1290. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 20 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-20 06:29:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c93863d9e04c53d041d@google.com>
Source record: 2457
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Augusta, Ga. Hamfest

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 08:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354618-Augusta-Ga-Hamfest&goto=newpost

The Amateur Radio Club of Augusta presents The Augusta Hamfest 2012.

>Date: Saturday October 13, 2012.

Location: Blythe Area Community Center--------3129 Hwy 88 Blythe, Ga.

Time: 9:00am.

ARRl VE Testing: 9:am Pre Register Please. Contact: Charles Cowart
706-790-8450 or (c.d.cowart@gmail.com)

Tickets: $6.00 at door.

Lots of prizes. Several vendors.

Tailgating, Indoor Tables (free), Breakfast & Lunch concessions.:)

For information, contact: Doug Pugh (ke4jsj) Hamfest Chairman at
803-279-6725 or (doug9945@yahoo.com)

Thanks and Hope to see you there.

Doug Pugh ke4jsj

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Mid Tn Summer Amateur radio tailgate and Emergency fair...

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 07:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354613-Mid-Tn-Summer-Amateur-radio-tailgate-and-Emergency-fair&goto=newpost

1291. [DXNL] DXNL 1789 (Jul 18, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-20 06:33:24 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <173233735814.20120720075737@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2458
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1789 - Jul 18, 2012
DX Newsletter

a free and weekly service of
DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting"
(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

Editor: Johannes Amchewicz, DK8JB
(e-mail: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Bob, DL7VOA
(e-mail: dl7voa@darc.de)

CT, PORTUGAL
The special event station CQ73I operates in SSB/CW/RTTY on 80m-6m
on the occasion of the 31st International Motorcycle Rally in Faro
until July 22. QSL via CT1EHX.

EA, SPAIN
To celebrate the win of the 14th UEFA European Football Championship
Spanish hams are allowed to use these special prefixes until July 31:
EA may be replaced by AO, EB by AM, and EC may be replaced by AN.

F, FRANCE
The op's F5SKJ, F6FAI, F4EJW, F4ELJ, F0GWK and F0GXK are planning to
visit the lighthouse in the bay of Morlaix on Noire Island and want
to work as TM9LF on July 21/22. QSL via F0GWK (office only) and eQSL.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY, NA-146
Ludovic,HB9EOU, and Andre,HB9CVC, will hand out a few IOTA points
from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) signing TO2D between Jul 22 and Aug 4.
They work in SSB and RTTY from 40m-6m. QSL via HB9EOU.
See also: http://st-barth.hb9eme.ch

FO/A, AUSTRAL ISLANDS
Philippe,FO4BM, is planning an holiday style operation as TX0HF from
the Austral Islands. His destination islands are Tubuai (OC-152) and
Rurutu (OC-050), with expected activity in SSB on 20m running 100 watts
into a dipole. He is standby to get on an airplane to these islands.
QSL via F4FJH, unfortunately only direct.

FP, ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON
Yuri,VE3DZ, and Victor,VA2WDQ/VA2WA, will be active as FP/VE3DZ and
FP/VA2WA from Miquelon (NA-032) from Jul 20-31. Listen for them in CW,
SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m and also in the CQWW VHF Contest (Jul 21/22)
and RSGB IOTA Contest (Jul 28/29) which they both plan to join as TO2U.

Their preferred frequencies are:
CW: 1824, 3524, 7024, 10114, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24894, 28024 kHz
SSB: 3790, 7060/7140, 14240, 18140, 21240, 24940, 28440 kHz
RTTY: 7041, 10142, 14084, 18104, 21084, 24914, 28080 kHz
6m: 50104 kHz (CW) and 50.115 kHz (SSB)
QSLs can be requested after the DXpedition via OQRS (bureau) or
via PayPal (direct). See: http://www.to2u.contestgroupduquebec.com

G, ENGLAND
On the occasion of the upcoming Olympic Games and Paralympic Games
British HAMs are allowed to use special prefixes between Jul 21 and
Sep 9. Single letter prefixes may be supplemented with the letter 'O'
and in double letter prefixes the second one is replaced by an 'O'.
For example:
M3aaa becomes MO3aaa
G3aaa becomes GO3aaa
GM3aaa becomes GO3aaa
2E0aaa becomes 2O0aaa
2M0aaa becomes 2O0aaa
GX3aaa becomes GO3aaa
See also: http://www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id=0263

The special event station GB4TDF celebrates the 99th anniversary of the
Tour de France until Jul 23 operating from Hancocks Radio Hut (WAB SD67
Loc IO84rd), Low Bentham, Lancaster, Lancashire (EU-005, WLOTA 1841).
The OPs are Barrie,G1JYB, Stephany,G1LAT, and members of the "Sands
Contest Group". QSL via bureau, eQSL.

The "Riviera Amateur Radio Club" will be operating a portable station
from Brixham Breakwater (Loc IO80FJ, WAB SX95) on Jul 19/20 supporting
RNLI Torbay's Lifeboat Week 2012. The club callsign MX0RIV will be QRV
on all HF/VHF bands. QSL via bureau. See: http://www.rivieraarc.org.uk

GW, WALES
The special event callsign 2O12W (Two Oscar One Two Whiskey) will be
activated between Jul 21 and Sep 9 on all bands and modes from Barry
in Wales to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.
QSL via GW1FKY. See also: http://www.2o12w.com

HC, ECUADOR
Rick,NE8Z/HC1MD, will once again be active from here from Jul 21-31.
He plans to activate these areas with the following callsigns:
HC1MD from Cumbaya (CW/RTTY), HC1MD/HC1 from Mount Cayambe (CW),
HC1MD/HC3 from Loja (CW) and HC1MD/HC5 from Cuenca (CW). Activity will
be in CW/SSB/RTTY on 40m-10m, using a TS-50s/AT-50 with a Carolina
Windom (40m-10m) antenna from Cumbaya. From all other areas he will
operate portable using an OutBacker antenna (40m-10m). QSL via K8LJG.
See also: http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z

KL7, ALASKA
Rick,K6VVA, activates several islands as K6VVA/KL7 from Jul 19-26:

Jul 19-21: Crescent Island (NA-172, USi new, 2nd North Western County)
together with Mike,K9AJ
Jul 23/24: Barter Island (NA-050, USi AK044S, 4th Central County)
Jul 25/26: Endeavor Island (aka Endicott, NA-004, USi AK046S,
2nd North Western County)
Rick prefers working mostly in CW on the high bands (30m-10m).
Note that this schedule is subject to change due to local weather.
QSL via N6AWD. See also: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na172

OH, FINLAND
Henry,OH3JF, celebrates the achievement of his CQ county award with the special callsign OG3077F until Apr 3, 2017. He has succeeded in working all 3077 counties of the United States in CW since 1987. QSL via OH3JF.

OZ, DENMARK
In connection with the largest Scout Jamboree ever held in Denmark, a special event station with the callsign OZ12SJ will be very active from Holstebro running five stations on all bands from Jul 21-29. They also offer a license course and the option of actually taking a license test on site. The callsign is expected to be active in the DMC RTTY Contest, CQWW VHF Contest and the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via bureau.

SV, GREECE
Members of the Radio Amateur Association of Greece (RAAG), the National Technical University of Athens and DXPlus Hellenic Radio Amateur M.I. Team will activate the special callsign SX1GR from the "Sacred Rock of Acropolis of Athens" in CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31 on all HF bands, 6m and 2m from July 18-22. The station will be active during the hours of museum operation. A special QSL award and special engraved QSL plaque will be available on request for any QSO. See QRZ.com for more details.

UA, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
Victor,UA1OEJ, will show up in SSB and digital modes signing UA1OEJ/p from the Solovetskiye Islands (EU-066) from Jul 22-31. QSL via UA1OEJ. See also: http://ra1ohx.ru

V3, BELIZE
Henry,W5HNS, Jay,K0BCN, and Marty,W5MRM, will hand out a few points as V31WH, V31MX and V31MO from Caye Caulker (NA-073) from Jul 23-31. They will work in CW and SSB on 40m-10m using a 40m dipole and a Hexbeam. They have not made a decision about PSK or RTTY yet since they have only one transceiver at their disposal. They will sign V31MX in the upcoming RSGB IOTA Contest. QSLs via homecalls, LoTW.

VP9, BERMUDA
Kyle,WA4PGM, will be on honeymoon with his wife Pam in Hamilton Parish, Bermuda (NA-005, Loc FM72PI) from Jul 13-22. Operating as time permits, using the call VP9/WA4PGM, during the IARU HF Championship (Jul 14/15), CQWW VHF Contest (Jul 21/22) and the North American RTTY QSO Party on Jul 21/22. QSL via homecall.

W, USA
The Montgomery County Amateur Radio Club (MARC) in Maryland will use
the special call W3M during its Fieldday operations on July 23/24. The
operation will take place from Davis Airport in northern Montgomery
County (FM19kf). See also: http://www.marcclub.org

YA, AFGHANISTAN
The Croatian HAMs Maj,9A7TJ, and Vlado,9A3QM, are members of the UN
ISAF forces. They are working as T6TJ and T6VT with wire antennas from
Camp Marmal in Mazar-e-Sharif until mid September. QSLs via 9A6AA.
See also: http://www.inet.hr/9a6aa

DXCC: Following operations were approved for DXCC credit:
9X0PY (Dec 24, 2011, until Jan 7, 2012)
S21YD (1994, 1995, 1998 and 1999)

WHQS Award: Once again the Polish amateur radio journal "MK QTC" sponsors
the W-HQ-S award for working at least ten HQ stations during the
IARU HF World Championship.
See also: http://suchacz.eu/viewpage.php?page_id=4

WRTC 2014: The stations of the WRTC 2014 were tested from several locations
during the IARU HF Championship. They joined the contest as K1GQ, K1RQ,
K1ZD, N2KW, N9NB, NI1L, W1HH, W1MA, W1MJ, W1SJ, W1UE, W1UJ and WB1Z.
More information about the WRTC can be found at http://www.wrtc2014.org

PH9HB/am, Amateur Radio from Cloud Nine: DXCoffee had an interesting
interview with Jerry, PH9HB.
http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/07/09/ph9hbam-amateur-radio-cloud/
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+dxcoffee
%2Feng+%28DxCoffee+-+Hamradio+Magazine%29

World Lakes Award: Paco Gil,EA5OL, calls attention to the World Lakes Award:
http://worldlakes.info

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 21/22 Saar Contest
Jul 21/22 North American QSO Party
Jul 22 RSGB Low Power Contest
Jul 28/29 RSGB IOTA Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-020, BV, Taiwan Island: Bodo,DF8DX, will visit Taiwan from Jul 22-25 and
will be active as BW/DF8DX in CW. QSL via DF8DX (bureau/direct).
The log will be uploaded to the LoTW as well.

AS-066, R0L, Sea of Japan Coast group: Vladimir,UA0LCZ, will be QRV as RI0NZ
from Popov Island (RR-16-02, RDA PK-05) on Jul 24-30. Before the IOTA
Contest he will concentrate on CW (3507, 7007, 10107, 14017, 18067,
21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz). QSL via UA0LCZ.

AS-154, TA, Black Sea Coast East group: The planned Hungarian-Turkish IOTA
DXpedition TC0HA had to be cancelled because the received no permission
to set foot on Giresun Island. They will give it another try in 2013.

EU-005, G/GM/GW, Great Britain: The special event station GB1AVR (Ackworth
Vintage (Vehicle) Rally, Loc IO93ipIP, FISTS 14041) will be activated
on Jul 21/22 during the Steam rally in Ackworth.
QSL via bureau or direct to G0BPK. See also: http://www.pdars.com

EU-013, GJ/MJ, Jersey: The team of OT9Z will stay on Jersey (WLOTA 0818)
from Jul 20-26. They are guests of the JARS (Jersey Amateur Radio
Society) and will operate thee stations simultaneously as MJ/OT9Z.
QSL via OT9Z (bureau) or ON3NT (direct).
See also: http://dxpeditionchannelislands.weebly.com

EU-028, I5, Toscana (Tuscany) Region group: Antonio,IZ1NES, is spending his
holidays on Elba (IIA LI-001, MIA MI-022, WLOTA 0609) until Jul 22 and
signs IA5/IZ1NES in a holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via IZ1NES.

EU-041, I0, Maddalena Archipelago: The frist destination of Jack's,IZ3DBA,
island trip is Maddalena Island. He will work in holiday style signing
IM0/IZ3DBA in CW/SSB on the HF bands from Jul 22-29. QSL via IZ3DBA

EU-044, LA, Finnmark County West group: Waldi,LA/SP7IDX, and Mek,LA/SP7VC,
will be active from Mageroya (WLOTA 0160, Loc KQ21VC) on Jul 20-29.
They will operate in SSB and RTTY with two stations on 80m-6m, and will
participate also in the IOTA Contest. During their travel to Mageroya
they might stop and be active as SM/SP7VC and SM/SP7IDX from Seskaro
Island (EU-139) on July 19/20. QSLs via homecalls, LoTW.
See also: http://sp7idx-hexbeam.eu and http://www.sp7vc.pl

EU-045, I0, Lazio Region group: Antonio,IZ8IQL, Carlo,IZ0EGC, Gianni,IW0BTN,
Giorgio,IZ8FAV, Francesco,IK8TEO, and Giuseppe,IZ0GZW, will be QRV as
IB0F from Ponza (IIA LT-001, MIA MI-076, WLOTA 1395) from Jul 23-31.
They will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (Jul 28/29).
For QSL routes check QRZ.com.

Alessio,IB0/IZ0UIM, activates Ventotene Island (IIA LT-011) again from
Jul 18-22. He may also visit Santo Stefano Island (IIA LT-010) during
this time. He works only in SSB on 80m-10m with FT-1000 and dipole.
QSL unfortunately only direct to his homecall, LoTW, eQSL.

EU-056, LA, More og Romsdal County Centre group: Thomas plans to be active
as LA/SM3DMP from Otroy Island (WLOTA 3195) from Jul 18-20. He works
with TS-590 and wire vertical mainly in CW on 30m/20m/17m.
QSL via SM3DMP (bureau/direct). Log will be uploaded to the LoTW also.

EU-073, I7, Puglia Region group: Members of Taranto ARMI section and 599 DX
Team will be active as IJ7T from San Pietro Island (IIA TA-002) from

July 20-22. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on the HF bands and 6m.
QSL via IK7WDS. An OQRS for direct and bureau cards will be available.
Further information will be available at: http://www.armi.ta.it

EU-075, SV, Peloponnisos (Argolis)/Attiki Region group: George,SV1CDY, still
on air as SV8/SV1CDY from Aegina Island (Loc KM17rs) is working mostly
on 6m (preferably 1600 UTC on 50.130-50.140 MHz) and of course during
the RSGB IOTA Contest at the last weekend of July. QSL via homecall.

EU-123, GM/MM, Shottish Coastal Islands: Iain,MM0TFU/p, operates from
Blackwaterfoot on the western side of Arran (IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14)
from Jul 19-28. He plans to join the RSGB IOTA Contest as well.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct), LoTW preferred.

EU-178, ES0/8, Parnumaa County/Saaremaa County South group: Dominik,SQ7OXU,
and Jack,SP7DPJ, are undertaking an IOTA DXpedition to the island
Ruhnu (WLOTA 4244, Loc KO17PT) from Jul 23-30. They will work as ES0W
and also during the IOTA Contest. QSL via SP7DPJ.
See also: http://www.sp7dpj.com

EU-179, UR, Black Sea Coast group: Members of the "Beer Lovers Radio Club
International, Dnepropetrovsk Radio Club" and the "Tavria Radio Club"
(Alex,UR5GDX, Ivan,UR8GX, Nick,UR3GO, Leo,UT7CL, and Roman,UR3CJR) will
be QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY from Kalanchakskiye Island (UIA BS-008) from
Jul 24-30. They will join the IOTA Contest as UT7E/p.
QSLs for UT7E/p via UT7EZZ (bureau/direct), all others via homecalls.

EU-182, UR, Black Sea Coast group: UT9IO/p plans to become active in CW/SSB/
digital modes on the HF bands from Zmeinyi Island from Jul 21-29. He
plans to take part in the IOTA Contest as well. QSL via homecall.

NA-067, W4, North Carolina State East group: Jon,WB8YJF/4, will be QRV again
from Ocracoke Island (USi NC001S, WLOTA 0466) working in CW, RTTY and
SSB on 80m-10m from Jul 22-29 (incl. IOTA Contest). QSL via homecall.

Lighthouse activities

FP/VA2WA LH 1417 Jul 20-31
FP/VE3DZ LH 1417 Jul 20-31
TK12IOTA/p LH 0098 Jul 18
TO2D LH 1395 Jul 23-31

WFF activities

DLFF: The German club Elbe-Elster (Y43) plans to spend its fieldday in the
nature park "Niederlausitzer Heidelandschaft" (QTH Zeischa, DLFF-091)
from Jul 20-22. They will be QRV as DL0LIB/p and with their individual
homecalls/p on HF and VHF. See also: http://www.y43.info

FFF: Daniel,F8GAF, will be QRV from FFF-372 on Jul 22. QSL via F8GAF.

YVFF: YW2OM is the callsign of a DXpedition to the Sierra Nevada National
Park (YVFF-042, YVAO-01, YVMA-01-02). Their location will be the

"Observatorio Astronomico Nacional de Llano del Hato" in Merida from
Jul 19-24. Operation is planned to take place in SSB, CW and digi mode
on 2m-160m. QSL via YV5AJ (bureau/direct).

Preview

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-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784

Unknown E40VB 1780
02Jul-25Aug E51AND 1786
Unknown E51MGA 1786
07Jul-21Jul E51YNB.. 1787
-31Dec E720RS 1770
16Jul-27Jul EA6/IW2NEF 1788
08Jul-19Jul EI/WJ2O/m 1787
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
-31Jul EI8GQB.. 1788
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
08Jul-19Jul ES0FTZ 1787
23Jul-30Jul ES0W 1789 *
Unknown EV1150P 1779
Jul EV910B 1787
22Jul F8GAF 1789 *
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
-Jul FR8NE 1710
19May-27Jul G4WAB.. 1780
21Jul-22Jul GB1AVR 1789 *
-23Jul GB4TDF 1789 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
08Jul-19Jul GI/WJ2O/m 1787

-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
21Jul-31Jul HC1MD.. 1789 *
14Jul-22Jul HD081QRC 1788
13Jul-16Jul HG0WFF 1788
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
Unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
15Jul-22Jul IA5/IZ1NES 1789 *
18Jul-22Jul IB0/IZ0IUM 1789 *
23Jul-31Jul IB0F 1789 *
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
20Jul-22Jul IJ7T 1789 *
22Jul-29Jul IM0/IZ3DBA 1789 *
-Jul/12 J28RO 1683
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
Unknown JT5NM 1781
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
Unknown JY9ET 1779

19Jul-26Jul K6VVA/KL7 1789 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
18Jul-20Jul LA/SM3DMP 1789 *
20Jul-29Jul LA/SP7IDX 1789 *
22Jul-29Jul LA/SP7VC 1789 *
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
03Jul-22Jul LY/SP5VYI 1788
Jul LY54SOP 1786
-22Jul LZ12FDAY 1770
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
20Jul-26Jul MJ/OT9Z 1789 *
19Jul-28Jul MM0TFU/p 1789 *
16Jul-20Jul MU/OT9Z 1788
19Jul-20Jul MX0RIV 1789 *
-15Aug NR4CB 1780

May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Unknown OD5NJ 1784
Jul /Sep OE2XXM.. 1786
-Apr/17 OG3077F 1789 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DL2JRM 1787
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DO2XX 1787
07Jul-21Jul OZ/DO6XX 1787
10Jul-19Jul OZ/HB9EYW 1787
07Jul-20Jul OZ0FR/p 1787
21Jul-29Jul OZ12SJ 1789 *
01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
-29Jul PC100NOM 1787
Jul PW7FD.. 1787
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784
-31Jul R200BS 1783
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
15Jul-28Aug RI0K 1788
24Jul-30Jul RI0NZ 1789 *
-Jan/13 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
19Jul-20Jul SM/SP7IDX 1789 *
19Jul-20Jul SM/SP7VC 1789 *
01Jul-31Aug SN0HAL 1786
17Jul- SV8/SV1CDY 1789 *
09Jul-21Jul SV9/HB9CRX 1788
-31Jul SX135HRC 1784
18Jul-22Jul SX1GR 1789 *
01Jul-31Jul SX9S 1786

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Resident T32BN 1785
-Sep T6TJ.. 1789 *
-Jul T6JP 1768/1770
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786
Unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782
07Jul-21Jul TK12IOTA 1787
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-22Jul TM3FFI 1779
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
21Jul-22Jul TM9LF 1789 *
-Jul TN9SN 1755
22Jul-04Aug TO2D 1789 *
20Jul-31Jul TO2U.. 1789 *
11Jul-18Jul TO5U 1788
-06Aug TT8PK 1785
Unknown TX0HF 1789 *
26Jun-12Aug TY2BP 1786

12Jul-20Jul UA1OEJ/p 1788
22Jul-31Jul UA1OEJ/p 1789 *
-31Aug UE80C 1784
14Jul-22Jul UE95K 1788
24Jul-30Jul UT7E/p 1789 *
21Jul-29Jul UT9IO/p 1789 *
23Jul-31Jul V31WH.. 1789 *
12Jul-02Aug V47JA.. 1788
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
01Jun-31Jul VK100WIQ 1783
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782/1786
17Jul-24Jul VP2MUQ.. 1788
-22Jul VP9/WA4PG 1789 *
-Jul VQ9JC 1755
25Jun-25Jul VX3X 1785
23Jul-24Jul W3M 1789 *
22Jul-29Jul WB4YJF/4 1789 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
-Jul XV3C 1785
19Jul-24Jul YW2OM 1789 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
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QSL information

2O12W via GW1FKY
3Z15POW via SP9MDY (B)
3Z15POWODZ via SQ6PLH
5B/RT9T via RT9T

5C13EAI via 6K5YPD (B)
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d)
7Q7BP via G3MRC (B)
7S5A via SM4DDS (B), (L)
9A/ON5JE via ON5JE (B)
9A22MINE via 9A1MB (d)
9M2/SQ9UM via SQ9UM (B)
A71DLH via DL0LH (B)
AM3JT sends automatically
AM5CS via EB5CS (B)
AM5DZC via EB5DZC
AM7DX via EB7DX (d)
AN1DJ via EC1DJ
AN8AFM via EC8AFM
AO1ABT via EA1ABT
AO1XT via EA1XT (B)
AO4EVY via EA4EVY (B)
AO5FL via EA5FL (B)
AO5FV via EA5FV (B)
AO5GUQ via EA5GUQ (B)
AO5HOL via EA5HOL (eQSL)
AO5HPX via EA5HPX (B)
AO5KB via EA5KB (B)
AO5XA via EA5XA (B), eQSL
AO6BH via EA6BH
AO7FTZ via EA7FTZ (B)
AO7HMC via EA7HMC (B)
AO7IZJ via EA7IZJ (B)
AO7JZ via EA7JZ (B)
AO7NL via EA7NL
AO7ZQ via EA7ZQ
AO8ADL via EA8ADL (B), eQSL
AT1HQ via VU2PTT, (L)
BW/DF8AX via DF8AX (B), (L)
BW2/KU1CW (L)
CM8AKD via EA7FTR
CQ73I via CT1EHX (B)
DA0HQ via DL5AXX (B)
DL0LIB/p via DL0LIB (B)
DL0OB via DL5NBS (B)
E717S via E73ESP (B)
EE3URR via EA3URR (B)
EF1HQ via EA4URE (B)
EF2HQ via EA4URE (B)
EF5HQ via EA4URE (B)
EF7HQ via EA4URE (B)
EG5FPN via EA7HBC (B)
ES0W via SP7DPJ (bureau/direct)
F/ON5SY via ON5SY (B)
FP/VE3DZ via VE3DZ (B, OQRS)

FP/VA2WA via VA2WA (B, OQRS)
GB1AVR via (B), GBPK (d)
GB4TDF (B), eQSL
GH7WAB via G7WAB (B)
GP7WAB via G7WAB (B)
GX3AH (B), eQSL
GX4WAB via G4WAB (B)
H44UD via UT6UD (B)
HC1MD via K8LJG (B)
HC1MD/HC1 via K8LJG (B)
HC1MD/HC3 via K8LJG (B)
HC1MD/HC5 via K8LJG (B)
HF15POW via SP6KEO (B)
HF15POWODZ via SP9PRR (B)
HF215MD via SQ3MVE (B)
HL0HQ via DS2AGH (B)
IA5/IZ1NES via IZ1NES (B)
IB0/IZ0IUM via IZ0IUM (d), (L), eQSL
IH9/IK5BCM via IK5BCM (L), eQSL
IJ7T via IK7WDS (B)
IM0/IZ3DBA via IZ3DBA (B)
IO2HQ (B)
IO4HQ (B)
IO5HQ (B)
IO8HQ (B)
IO9HQ (B)
JF3CTR/JD1 via JF3CTR
K6VVA/KL7 via N6AWD (B)
KH2L via W3HNK (d)
L99F via LU5FB (d)
LA/SM3DMP via SM3DMP (B), (L)
LA/SP7IDX via SP87IDX (B)
LA/SP7VC via SP7VC (B)
LG5LG via LA4EKA (B)
LR5H via LU3HKA
LX/DK5ON via DK5ON (B)
LZ7HQ via LZ1BJ (B)
LZ8SIX via LZ2CC
MC0SOL via M0URX (B/OQRS), (L)
MJ/OT9Z via OT9Z (B), ON3NT (d)
MM0TFU/p via MM0TFU (B)
MX0RIV (B)
N0C via W5HP (B), (L), eQSL
NQ2A via NP3O (d), (L)
OG3077F via OH3JF (B)
OH0/F6CTF via F6CTF (d)
OP0HQ (B)
OS8A via ON8VK (B)
OZ/DH6MM via DH6MM (B), (L), eQSL
OZ12SJ (B)

P29VAC via K9QV (d), eQSL
PS1J via PY1AA (B)
PY5/AI6V via AI6V (d)
RA/DL6XK via DL6XK (B)
RI0NZ via UA0LCZ (B)
SI9AM via SM3CVM (B), also e-mail request
SK0UX via SM6JSM
SK9HQ via SM6JSM
SM/SP7IDX via SP7IDX (B)
SM/SP7VC via SP7VC (B)
SP15POW via SP6ZJP (B)
ST2T via E57DX (B)
SV8/SV1CDY via SV1CDY (bureau/direct)
SW8Y via HA1YA (d)
SX0HQ (B)
SX1GR (B)
T6TJ via 9A6AA (B)
T6VT via 9A6AA (B)
T88FK via JA1FMN (B)
TK/IK1BPL via IK1BPL (B)
TM70TE via F5KBB (B)
TM9LF via F0GWK (B), eQSL
TO2D via HB9EOU
TO5U via K9FY (d)
TR8JH via F6FWT
TX0HF via F4FJH (d)
UA1OEJ/p via UA1OEJ (B)
UT7E/p via UT7EZZ (B)
UT9IO/p via UT9IO (B)
V31WH via W5HNS, (L)
V31MX via K0BCN (B), (L)
V31MO via W5MRM, (L)
VA6RF/p via VA6RF (d)
VK100WIQ (B)
VP9/WA4PGM via WA4PGM (d)
VP9I via N1HRA (B)
WB8YJF/4 via WB8YJF (B)
XE3/OH2NSW via OH2NSW (XE address)
XM3JO via VE3JO
YW2OM via YV5AJ (B)
Z38VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
ZD8BG via KI4PRK (L)
ZF1A via K6AM (B), (L)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived LoTW: N6MZ/KH9 (QSOs from March 1998)

New DXCC entity Kosovo soon?

Almost four and a half years after obtaining its independence the Kosovo, former province of Serbia, shall receive its full sovereignty in September. This was decided by the International Steering Group, as the Austrian Foreign Minister Michael Spindelegger announced in Vienna last Monday. Accordingly, the group decided to end international supervision with immediate effect to support the independence of Kosovo. 25 countries are belonging to the International Steering Group, including Germany and most other EU countries, the United States and Turkey. The concept of "supervised independence" was invented by the former Finnish UN Special Envoy for Kosovo Martti Ahtisaari. The meeting of the group in Vienna was attended also by the Kosovo Prime Minister Hashim Thaci.

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1823 - July 20 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1823 with a release date of July 20 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC turns down a request to extend PRB-1 to overturn deed restrictions, the ARRL says a White House Executive Order on telecommunications should not impact ham radio, proposed changes in British laws governing spacecraft could make microsat launches by UK hams possible and the FCC continues its crackdown on unlicensed broadcasters. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1823 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FCC DENIES PETITION TO EXPAND PRB-1 TO COVER CC&R

Deed restrictions and other land use covenants that limit the antenna rights of many hams will remain in place for the time being. So says the FCC in its July 16th denial of a rule making request filed by Leonard Umina, W7CCE, of Gilbert, Arizona. One that sought to expand the policy of limited Federal preemption of state and local regulations governing amateur towers and antennas. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the latest:

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In its denial, the FCC told Leonard Umina, W7CCE, that when it codified PRB-1 as Section 97.15(b) of the Amateur Service Rules back in 1985, the mandate to state and local municipalities were that they reasonably accommodate the antenna needs of ham radio operators. But at the same time the FCC purposely avoided extending this preemption to cover CC&Rs and other land use restrictions in deeds and bylaws that curb the installation of antennas and associated support structures.

When the matter was brought before it again in 2001 the Commission noted that its decision within the framework of PRB-1 to exclude CC&Rs from its preemption policy was based on the fundamental difference between state and local regulations as opposed to land use restrictions. The latter are considered as private contractual terms to which the purchaser of a property voluntarily agrees to. The FCC also concluded in its PRB-1 decision that there had not to date been a sufficient showing that CC&Rs prevent Amateur Radio operators from pursuing the basis and purpose of the Amateur Service.

Lastly, and perhaps most important, the FCC pointed out to W7CCE that should Congress see fit to enact a law mandating the expansion of its limited preemption policy to include more than state and local regulations, it would do all it could to expeditiously act to fulfill such an order. It noted that shortly after Umina filed his request that Congress enacted a directive regarding an investigation into the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief. This report will identify impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications and provide recommendations regarding the removal of such impediments. This could conceivably include unreasonable or unnecessary private land use restrictions on residential antenna installations.

In closing, the FCC noted its belief that it would be inappropriate and premature for the regulatory agency to consider modifying its policy until after Congress has an opportunity to review the report and decide whether to enact laws mandating the expansion of PRB-1 to include more than state and local regulations.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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The order denying Umina's Rule Making request was signed by Scot Stone who is the Deputy Chief of the Mobility Division of the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. As we go to air, its unknown if W7CCE plans to appeal the FCC pronouncement on his rule making request, or await the outcome of the current Congressional inquiry. You can read the complete text of the FCC decision on-line at tinyurl.com/no-ccr-overide. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: ARRL SAYS NEW EXECUTIVE ORDER POSES NO THREAT TO HAM RADIO

According to the ARRL, an executive order dealing with telecommunications poses no threat to the amateur radio service. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reports:

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On Friday, July 6th the White House released an Executive Order signed by President Obama that addresses the National Security and Emergency Preparedness communications functions of the federal government. Contrary to some concerns raised in a few amateur radio circles, the order does not appear to contain any threat to the Amateur service or its ability to continue support communications during times of emergency or disaster. It also poses no threat to hams for continued access to their spectrum.

Dan Henderson, N1ND, is the League's Regulatory Information Manager. He explained that the purpose of the new entity, which would be created within the Executive Branch by this Order, appears to be to plan for future National Security and Emergency Preparedness communications and

to insure survivability, hardness and interoperability. It will also develop a long-term strategic plan for National Security and Emergency Preparedness communications.

Henderson noted that based on the Amateur service's ongoing, positive working relationship with officials at the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Emergency Communications, it is hard to envision that any new management plan would not include Amateur Radio. N1ND says that nothing in this Order directly affects amateur radio's daily operations.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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N1ND says that a good summary of the content of the Order can be found online at tinyurl.com/new-communications-order. (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: PROPOSED LAW CHANGES COULD MAKE SPACE MORE FRIENDLY FOR UK HAM RADIO

Some good news for ham radio space enthusiasts in the UK. Proposed changes in laws governing satellites launched any United Kingdom entity could soon become friendlier. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, reports:

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A posting on the United Kingdom's Space Agency Web Site has announced what is called the "Reform of the Outer Space Act 1986 Consultation". These are a pair of proposals that, if enacted as written, could make United Kingdom CubeSat launches more ham radio friendly.

The key aspects of the changes are the proposals to waive the capped liability and insurance requirement for in-orbit operation of any satellite that meets the criteria of a CubeSat. Also, to remove the requirement for unlimited indemnity from satellite operators.

The existing United Kingdom Outer Space Act imposes heavy additional costs up to £50,000 Pounds or $78,300 US dollars a year on those wishing to launch small educational CubeSats. That additional cost has acted as a major deterrent and to date no such UK CubeSat has been launched.

The United Kingdom Outer Space Act covers all UK satellites irrespective of size. This, from tiny low cost educational CubeSats up to large commercial satellites that cost 10's of millions of dollars to manufacture and launch.

The UK Space Agency says that responses to the Consultations are due by August 31st.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, watching the skies from outside the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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By the way, a Consultation in the United Kingdom is very similar to a Notice of Proposed Rule Making here in the United States. (G3VZV, AMSAT-UK)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW ASTRO-HAMS ARRIVE AT THE ISS AS PART OF THE EXPEDITION 32 CREW

Three ham radio space fliers arrived safely at the International Space Station early Tuesday, July 17th. This, for a four-month stay while also bringing the orbiting outpost back to its full crew complement of six. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennantt, K6PZW, reports:

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The Soyuz space capsule carrying NASA astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB; Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP and Japanese space explorer Aki Hoshide, KE5DNI, docked with the station at 12:51 a.m. Eastern Daulight Time on Tuesday, July 17th . This following a two-day flight from Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.

At docking time, the Soyuz spacecraft and space station were at an altitude of 251 miles over North-Eastern Kazakhstan. The Soyuz parked itself at an Earth facing docking port on the station's Russian built Rassvet module. After the hatches were opened between the Soyuz and ISS, Williams, Malenchenko and Hoshide moved to the ISS and joined their fellow Expedition 32 crew members Sergei Revin; Gennady Padalka, RN3DT and Joseph Acaba, KE5DAR.

Padalka, Revin and Acaba have had the space station to themselves since July 1st. That's when three previous crew members returned to Earth and brought the station's previous Expedition 31 to a close.

Padalka, Revin and Acaba return to Earth in mid-September. When that happens, Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, become the commander of the I-S-S team. She, Malenchenko and Hoshide are scheduled to depart the station on November 12th.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'n Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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As an aside, this latest group crew members arrived at the International Space Station exactly 37 years to the day after the world's first truly international spacecraft meeting took place on-orbit. That was the famed docking between a NASA Apollo spacecraft and a Russian Soviet Soyuz 19 capsule during the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project in 1975. Many believe that's what laid the groundwork that led

to the International Space Station that is on-orbit today. (Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: ANOTHER ALLEGED UNLICENSED BROADCASTER BUSTED

The FCC has issued a Notice of Apparent Liability in the amount of $10,000 to Florida resident Michael Gregory. This for his alleged operating an unlicensed radio station calling itself "Down South Radio 305" on 92.7 MHz in the city of Miami.

This saga began to unfold last March, That's when the FCC received a complaint that lead agents from the Miami office of the Enforcement Bureau to monitor for the station. They soon heard a person identify himself as "DJ Miami of 92.7 Heavy FM" and advertise the website www.whvy927.com. Agents tied Gregory to the site by finding his domain name registration as well as his photo online.

The agents then went out on a transmitter hunt and traced the source of the transmission to an antenna on the roof of a commercial building in Miami. Records showed no one was authorized to operation a station on 92.7 MHz, nor at that location.

While waiting in the lobby for the building owner, the agents actually met Gregory. He took them to his leased suite, admitted he ran the station, and turned off the transmitter. Now Gregory has 30 days to pay the proposed fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO CRIME: MONTREAL STATION TORCHED AFTER CRITICIZING FORMER HAITIAN DICTATOR

A Haitian radio station in Montreal, Canada, has been hit by arsonists. This, after hosts criticized the country's former dictator.

CPAM 1610 AM was set ablaze following calls by show hosts for a criminal trial for Jean-Claude Duvalier, who returned to that nation last year.

CPAM's north-end administrative offices were partially destroyed and the studio suffered water damage, rendering it useless. A spokesperson for the Montreal fire department said the front window of CPAM 1610's studio was smashed and a fire lit near the broken glass at about 4 a.m.

Monday July 2nd. Another fire was started at the back of the second floor where the station's office is located, he said.

Engineers had the station back on the air about 10 hours after the attack from an alternate studio location. According to its management, CPAM is a beacon for the more than 100,000 Haitian expatriates in Montreal who form the largest such community in Canada. (Montr&#65533;al Gazette, B&C)

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RADIO HAPPENINGS: ITALY CLOSING NATIONAL SOUND ARCHIVES

Italy is shutting down its famed National Sound Archives. This as a likely result of the continuing economic downturn that has hit many European nations.

On July 6th, a simple 12 line document was signed by the government to shut down the archive of priceless audio history dating back to the dawn of the machine recording. According to one source there are close to half a million recordings housed in the Italian archive.

The big concern now among preservationists is that unless another such museum such as the United States Library of Congress takes over the Italian archive, that it could wind up being sold off on the streets or on an on-line auction site, piece by piece. More is on-line at www.artsjournal.com (Arts Journal, Critical Distance Weblog)

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HAM STUFF: NEW FREQUENCY CHART AVAILABLE FROM US GOVERNMENT BOOKSTORE

If you have ever had the yearning to own one of those nifty United States radio spectrum posters to hang on your wall, now is your chance to get one. Properly titled the United States Frequency Allocations: The Radio Spectrum Chart, the very latest edition is now available from U.S. Government Printing Office Book Store at a cost of $12. To order yours, take your web browser to tinyurl.com/big-frequency-map and follow the directions you will find there. (RW, E- News, others)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: UK SPECIAL EVENTS STATIONS FOR THE 2012 OLYMPICS

As part of the celebration of the 2012 London Olympics and Paralympics, two flagship amateur radio stations will be active during the games.

The Cray Valley Radio Society will host England's Olympic celebration from the Royal Borough of Greenwich. This is home to many of London's events outside the main Olympic arena. The call-sign used at that location will be Two Oscar One Two Lima. A similar amateur radio celebration is happening in Barry, South Wales, where the call-sign will be Two Oscar One Two Whisky.

Both groups are looking to make as many contacts as possible worldwide during the Olympics. They will be on the air 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from Wednesday July 25th through Sunday September 9th. The London station will be open to the public from 10am to 4pm and the Welsh station from 10am to 5pm daily. Both are local times.

Commemorative QSLs will be available for both operations. QSL information is on-line at at www dot Two Oscar one two Lima dot com and www dot Two Oscar One Two Whisky.com. Both stations hope to contact you on the air. (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: K4C TO CELEBRATE THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO

Special Event station K4C will be on the air on July 25th to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. According to the Movimiento Radioaficionados which is sponsoring the operation, the purpose of the activity is to commemorate this important date for citizens of Puerto Rico.

Operations will take place on the campus of the National Park Julio Enrique Monagas of the Municipality of Bayamon beginning at 1400 UTC. Activities will be on the 40 through 10 meter bands, and locally on the chain of repeaters operated by the club. QSL via WP4NPC. (KP3CB)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: RESULTS OF 2012 ARDF YOUTH COMPETITION ANNOUNCED

The results are in from the 2912 Youth ARDF Championship event that was held this year near the town of Siauliai, Lithuania. In all there were 104 contestants representing 9 countries. Medals went to Russia, the Ukraine, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria and Lithuania. The competition was organized by LY2CD and a company of volunteer assistants. The full results are on-line at www.qrz.LT/eyac. (IARU-R1)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: MICULESCU NEW GM OF ROMANIAN BROADCASTING

Some names in the news. The Romanian parliament recently confirmed Ovidiu Miculescu as the new general manager of the Romanian radio broadcasting corporation. With more than 20 years experience in media, Miculescu has held executive positions at the public broadcaster as well as at private radio and television stations. Miculescu said that modernization of public radio and the resolution of issues regarding coverage throughout Romania were among priorities. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VA4AJG APPOINTED RAC MIDWEST REGION DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Allan Grant, VA4AJG, has been appointed as Deputy Director for Radio Amateurs of Canada Midwest Region. The Midwest region includes all the VE4 and VE5 call sign area.

Each Director of RAC is authorized to appoint one Deputy Director from among RAC members residing in their region to serve at the pleasure of the Director. Grant was appointed by Canada Midwest Region Director, Derek Hay, VE4HAY. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: AO-7 DISTANCE RECORD BROKEN AGAIN BY AC0RA AND OM3BD

July 4th saw AC0RA and OM3BD set yet another world distance record using ageing AMSAT-OSCAR-7 ham radio bird. This by breaking their own record set just 48 hours earlier.

The new distance record is 7903.55km comfortably exceeding the previous contact over a path of 7849km by 54.55 kilometers.

OM3BD was in Grid Square JN88mf. He says that AC0RA once again woke up early and this time drove 150 miles to grid EN41ad. They had a 30 second contact at 09:49 UTC to set their latest distance record.

Recordings, pictures, and further information are on-line at tinyurl.com/ao7-dx-record. (Southgate)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: WRITER H. WALTER MAXWELL - S.K.

Famed writer M. Walter Maxwell, W2DU, passed away on July 3rd at his home in DeLand, Florida.

Known Better as Walt Maxwell. W2DU was best known in the amateur radio circles for his ground-breaking articles, "Another Look at Reflections." These were published in QST Magazine in a seven part series from 1973 to 1976,and explained in plain English concepts such as line loss, SWR, baluns and antenna tuners.

The articles were later compiled into a book, titled Reflections: Transmission Lines and Antennas, that included additional material on matching networks, antennas and the Smith Chart. It was first published by the ARRL in 1990 and went through several editions. Later editions

were published by CQ Communications.

W2DU is survived by his spouse, Jean Binkley Mayhew, three sons, William W. Maxwell of DeLand, Florida, Richard A. Maxwell of Marietta, Georgia, and John R. Maxwell of Gainesville, Florida, and one daughter, Susan M. Glasnapp of Delray Beach, Florida.

More details of his life and work are available on his website at www.w2du.com. At the time of his passing, Walt Maxwell, W2DU, was age 93. (ARRL, others)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: FAMED HAWAII BEACON KEEPER PAUL LIEB, KH6HME-SK

Hawaii's weak signal legend, Paul Lieb , KH6HME, has also become a Silent Key. According to Gordon West, WN6NOA, who spoke to the family, Lieb was visiting his sister and other relatives on the U.S. mainland. Leib's sister told WB6NOA that on Sunday night July 15th, KH6HME had dinner with them, went to bed, and died peacefully in his sleep.

Paul Lieb, KH6HME, maintained four VHF and UHF propagations beacons atop the Mauna Loa volcano which were regularly received along the U-S west coast. This usually took place in July when troposphere conditions permitted. And it was not unusual for KH6HME to make the 3 hour drive to the 8200 foot site of the beacons to maintain them and get on the air himself to be a bit of rare VHF and UHF DX. West says that while they are currently on the air that the long term fate of beacons is unknown.

As we go to air, funeral arrangements for Paul Lieb, KH6HME, were pending. (N6CL, WB6NOA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FITSAT-1 - A VISUAL MORSE CODE BIRD

Call this one visual Morse code from space. This with word that the FITSAT-1 ham radio cubesat will carry an optical communications experiment that aims to write in C-W across the night sky using super high intensity LED's as a lighting source.

FITSAT-1 will be carried to the International Space Station on July 21st from where it will be deployed sometime in September. For more information see www.uk.amsat.org/2037. (AMSAT UK)

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WORLDBEAT: FRANCE WILL NOT PREEMPT DIGITAL RADIO FOR RFE

Digital radio may not come into being in France. According to the daily newspaper Les Echos, the French government has decided not to preempt digital radio frequencies for Radio France exclusive use.

In May, telecommunications regulator CSA received more than 178 applications for the cities of Paris, Marseille and Nice. It also announced plans to open a call for digital terrestrial licenses for France's next 20 biggest cities.

It appears as if the public service broadcaster, which has first right of refusal on frequencies, will thus not go digital, in line with certain private groups including RTL, NRJ and NextradioTV.

The French government is expected officially to announce its decision on this matter in the coming days. However, if reports are true, observers say that they doubt the digital system will be able to move forward in France. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: RF EXPERIENCED WITH CONTROL SYSTEM IN WESTERN SOUTH AFRICA

Interference problems are being experienced by radio amateurs in the Paarl and Stellenbosch Municipal areas of South Africa. That's where a load control system is currently being installed to switch a geyser off during peak hours.

According to the South African Radio League, this unit causes disturbances right through the High Frequency spectrum. Word is that South African telecommunications regulator ICASA has investigated the complaints and is currently having discussions with the Municipal officials and the South African Bureau of Standards regarding a fix. (SARL)

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DXCC NEWS: RWANDA AND BANGLADESH APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT

Several more operations have been approved for DXCC credit. According to Bill Moore, NC1L, who is the ARRL Awards Branch Manager, these are the 9X0PY DXpedition to Rwanda that ran from December 24, 2011 through January 7, 2012. Also approved are the S21YD Bangladesh operations for 1994, 1995, 1998, and 1999. If you have had cards for any of these rejected in the past please contact Bill via e-mail to bmoore (at) arrl (dot) org to be put on the list for an update. (ARRL)

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In DX, word that UA1OEJ will be active stroke P from Solovetsky Islands from July 22nd to the 31st. Operations will be on the HF bands using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign.

JA8COE will once again be active stroke 8 from Yagishiri Island between July 27th and the 29th. No word on what bands or modes will be used. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

A team of Saudi operators will activate Al-Dhahrah Island as 7Z7AB possibly between October 1st and the 15th. More details and a Web page will be forthcoming. Meantime keep an eye on their page on QRZ.com.

K9HZ will once again be active as J68HZ from his villa at Labrelotte Bay, St. Lucia. Listen out for him between August 1st and the 18th on 80, 40 and 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to KH9Z.

OH1VR and OH3JR will be operational stroke VK9 from Lord Howe Island between November 17th and the 27th. Activity will be on 160 through 6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL only direct via their home callsigns with a self addressed envelope and an International Reply Coupon to cover return postage.

5B4AIF will be active as E51E from a villa in Tautu Village on Aitutaki Island between December 10th, 2012 and January 5th, 2013. QSL only via EB7DX.

Lastly, members of Russia's Armed Forces Amateur Radio Union will be on the air as R100WWS from many areas of that nation between August 10th and the 18th. This operation is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Military Air Forces of Russia which were formed on August 12, 1912. Activities will be on all bands and using all modes. QSL via RV3YR.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: STOPPING COPPER THEFT IN ITS TRACKS

British Telecom is taking on copper cable thieves. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW, has the details:

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A new tool has been unveiled in the United Kingdom to literally locate copper wire thefts as they are taking place.

Called the Rapid Assessment British Telecom Incident Tracker or RABIT, this computer based program has the ability to monitor all 120 million kilometers of cable on British Telecom's phone network.

RABIT is a real-time system based on a neural network that has been trained to sense the difference between a telecommunications cable being severed and a cable that has gradually failed. It does this by undertaking line tests and bandwidth measurements to home in on a telltale signature of a cable cut. This event data is then immediately plugged into an incident monitoring system which gives British Telecom's security staff a national view of trouble spots on its networks, including cyber attacks.

I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, in Chareston, West Virginia, reporting.

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The industrial scale theft of copper telecommunications cables is a massive world-wide problem. In the UK alone, cable worth £770 million pounds was stolen from overhead and buried telephone lines and railway signaling systems in 2011. (New Scientist)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, at our new QTH in El Campo, Texas, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1293. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 20 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-20 11:23:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934043f43b69304c540e9a1@google.com>
Source record: 2460
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FCC fines Alaskan CBer for interfering with Air Traffic

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/t7uqNMxdRCU/fcc_fines_alaskan_cber_for_interfering_with_air_traffic.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL reports on FCC action against a CBer accused of interfering with
air traffic on 21.964 MHz

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Radio Hams get Lottery Grant

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The Barry Amateur Radio Society has been awarded a £4,795 grant through the
Big Lottery Fund's Awards For All programme

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Radio club granted 2012 Olympic licence

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wsUTrFtkFQc/radio_club_granted_2012_olympic_licence.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Newsquest report that the Warrington Amateur Radio Club (WARC) have been
granted a licence to cover both the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic games

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Radio by the Seaside

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/l_IJHr0hik8/radio_by_the_seaside.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A short video looking at the Norfolk Amateur Radio Club's annual 'Radio by
the Seaside' event

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Selsey Lifeboat GB4SLB

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3VUMA29UOq4/selsey_lifeboat_gb4slb.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To coincide with Lifeboat Week at Selsey, the Lifeboat Amateur Radio Society with help from Worthing and District Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB4SLB from the Lifeboat Station, Kingsway, Selsey, West Sussex

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CT2IWW/P in Aboboreira Mountain for SOTA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bGBqaEiFpDU/sota_ct21ww.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paulo Teixeira, CT2IWW will be active from the Serra da Aboboreira (949m), in Northern Portugal, for the program SOTA - Summits On The Air, on Saturday, July 21st

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Na-cygccf5Q/july_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

1294. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 20 July 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Erin King, AK4JG, Named 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline "Young Ham of the Year"

Posted: 05 Jul 2012 10:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?352790-Erin-King-AK4JG-Named-2012-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-quot-Young-Ham-of-the-Year-quot&goto=newpost

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ERIN KING, AK4JG, NAMED 2012 AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE☐

"YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR"

(Santa Clarita, California) ☐ Erin King, AK4JG, a 17-year-old from Columbus, Georgia, who re-founded her high school's radio club and then lofted a ham radio-carrying balloon to over 90,000 feet, recovered the flight data and used it to produce a truly striking video of that flight, has been named as recipient of the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award.

Erin is the daughter of Paul, K4ETY, and Patricia King. She has two siblings: Brandon, age 16 and Rachel, age 15. Erin became a licensed radio amateur in 2009 and now holds an Extra Class license. She is a member of the ARRL, the Columbus Amateur Radio Club, and the Russell County Radio Club. She enjoys operating on local VHF and UHF repeaters as well as phone and digital modes on the High Frequency amateur radio bands. She is looking forward to mastering Morse Code as her next amateur radio challenge.

Erin became interested in amateur radio after joining a club at her high school dealing with robotics and then ham radio-equipped high-altitude balloon launches. This school group has participated in FIRST Robotics competitions, and Erin has twice been Team Lead for Programming. The club also launches several high-altitude balloon missions each year, in a program called DREAMS. They have flown various scientific experiments as part of these missions, in addition to planning, building, and integrating radios, Global Positioning System (GPS) units and TNCs to track and recover the balloons. To facilitate these activities, the group□s sponsor, Luther Richardson, KI4AOJ, has encouraged the students to obtain their amateur radio licenses.

A subset of this group, including Erin, has participated in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's (MIT's) "InvenTeam" competition, designing and building a portable lightning detector and early warning system. In addition, Erin re-started the Columbus High School Radio Club and served as its president for the past two years. The club was active in the 1950s and '60s, and Erin's great-grandfather (the original K4ETY) was one of its mentors at that time. The new club obtained the callsign W4CHS (Columbus High School) and has been active on the air.

Erin's involvement with amateur radio and FIRST Robotics has helped fuel her interest in science and engineering. Last year, she applied for early admission to both Georgia Tech and MIT; she was accepted to both and will be attending MIT this fall.

Inside the shiny tube which contained Erin□s MIT acceptance letter was a note suggesting that the students □hack□ their tubes, meaning to do something cool with them, in a long-standing tradition of MIT hacks or stunts. Erin chose to send her tube to near-space.

Drawing on her ballooning experience, Erin planned, built, integrated, and tested a complete new tracking setup to fit into the very small shipping tube. The payload consisted of two GPS units, two custom-made antennas, one Argent Data OpenTracker+ kit (which Erin built), one handheld radio, and a fellow ham□s Byonics Pocket Tracker, a self-contained 100-milliwatt tracker/radio combination in an Altoids® tin. Erin also talked her mother into letting her use mom□s brand new GoPro Hero HD video camera.

With the assistance of a group of hams from the Columbus Amateur Radio club, Erin launched her balloon from Lumpkin, GA. A couple of hours later, she and the tracking team successfully recovered it, along with the complete HD video record of the flight. Erin took this video, as well as other photos and videos taken of the launch activities, and compiled it

into an 8-minute presentation, complete with background music. She posted it to YouTube, and put a link to it on the MIT hack-the-tube site (see). According to YouTube statistics, Erin☐s video has been viewed thus far in excess of 82,500 times.

This past May, Erin was invited to participate in no less than three forums and sessions at the 2012 Dayton Hamvention®. These included the 25th anniversary ☐Youth Forum,☐ the ☐Ham Radio Town Meeting☐ and an ☐ARRL Expo☐ presentation where her video was screened.

Award Ceremony

The 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline☐ "Young Ham of the Year Award" will be presented on Saturday, August 18th at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville, Alabama. As the 2012 "Young Ham of the Year," Erin will receive -- courtesy of Yaesu USA -- an expense-paid trip to the Huntsville Hamfest, along with a gift of Yaesu brand ham radio equipment. CQ magazine will treat her to an expense-paid week at Spacecamp Huntsville, and will present Erin with a variety of CQ products. Amateur Radio Newsline☐ will provide Erin with a commemorative plaque at the award ceremony. Once again, the cost of year's plaque has been underwritten by Dave Bell (W6AQ), President of DBA Entertainment Inc., Hollywood, California. Heil Sound Ltd. will also be presenting Erin with a ham radio-related gift.

The presentation of the Young Ham of the Year Award has been a regular feature of the Huntsville Hamfest since 1993. This has been made possible through the generosity and kindness of the event's Planning Committee and the good offices of Huntsville Hamfest Association Vice President Charlie Emerson, N4OKL. (See http://www.hamfest.org)

This year's award ceremony will be hosted by Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, of Amateur Radio Newsline☐, Rich Moseson, W2VU, of CQ Communications, and representatives of Yaesu USA and Heil Sound.

Award Program Background

The Amateur Radio Newsline☐ "Young Ham of the Year" award (formerly the Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year Award) has been presented annually since 1986 to a licensed radio amateur (ham) who is 18 years of age or younger and who has provided outstanding service to the nation, his/her community or the betterment of the state of the art in communications through the amateur radio hobby/service. A website with full information on the award program and background material is located at http://www.arnewsline.org/YHOTY.

Award Sponsors

The award program is sponsored by the Los Angeles, California-based Amateur Radio Newsline☐ with corporate support from Yaesu USA Corporation of Cypress, California, CQ Magazine of Hicksville, New York, and Heil Sound of Fairview Heights, Illinois.

Since 1976, Amateur Radio Newsline□ and its predecessor, the Westlink Radio Network, have been providing radio amateurs around the world with up-to-the-minute news at no cost to them. (See http://www.arnewsline.org)

The award's three major corporate underwriters are world leaders in their respective areas of Amateur Radio product support.

Yaesu USA, which has been a corporate underwriter since the inception of the award program in 1986, is considered the trailblazer in the design, manufacture and distribution of high quality amateur gear as well as commercial two-way, monitoring, marine and air-band communications equipment (See http://www.yaesu.com).

CQ magazine and its sister publications, CQ VHF, Popular Communications and WorldRadio Online, are published by CQ Communications, Inc., and are considered the trend-setting publications serving today□s modern radio amateur. (See http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com)

Heil Sound Ltd. Is considered as a world leader in the development and manufacture of new technology microphones and related audio products for professional sound reinforcement and amateur radio communications. (See http://www.heilsound.com)

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1295. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 20 July 2012

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Very nice TV News /video coverage of Field Day 2012

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 05:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354730-Very-nice-TV-News-video-coverage-of-Field-Day-2012&goto=newpost

Very nice TV News/ video coverage of Field Day 2012 looking forward to
2013 as Special Event K3F

http://www.fox8tv.com/News/NewsDetails.asp?NewsID=8743

As seen at Cambria Radio Club Facebook Page
http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cambri...514054?sk=wall

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Tom - K3WS

for Cambria Radio Club

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9M4SLL Layang Layang Island Spratly Islands

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 05:16 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354728-9M4SLL-Layang-Layang-Island-Spratly-Islands&goto=newpost

9M6XRO and 9M6DXX will be active from Layang Layang Island , Spratly
Islands (IOTA AS-051) 7-13 August 2012 as 9M4SLL

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ratly-islands/

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The First Annual On The Air Antenna Party

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 10:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354636-The-First-Annual-On-The-Air-Antenna-Party&goto=newpost

This thread is posted on behalf of Trippy Brown, WD8OEP

The First Annual On The Air Antenna Party.

Sponsored by Trippy Brown, ac8s.

Starts: 2300Z, September 21

Ends: 0400Z, September 23

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6, and 2 meters

Modes: am, cw, fm, ssb.

Purpose: to get as many hams on the air as possible that weekend, and to allow hams to share information about different antennas. I want us hams demonstrating our antennas, so that others can hear how well other antennas work and make changes to their own if they hear something they like.

No matter how many contacts you are looking to make, don☐t sit this one out! Get on the air and have fun learning about and hearing new antennas, and let others learn about and hear the strength of your antenna!

Exchange: signal report, US state, Canadian province, or dx country, antenna being used, where it☐s located, for example, on a balcony, in an attic, how high up it is, and, how much power you☐re running.

An example exchange would be

☐you☐re 59 Alaska, running a long wire, in a backyard, up 10 feet, running 200 watts.☐

work once per band, once per mode.

Class, single station, single op, as many stations on as possible.

Power: must run 200 watts or less. Must run only from a fixed location, such as, your place of residence.

Logging: no logs need to be sent to me. Just take down any info about the other stations antenna that you need to know, such as what is given by the station.

The station can give as much info on the antenna as needed regarding how to build a similar antenna or where to find directions on doing so, as well as exchanging e-mail addresses, etc.

1296. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JULY 22 2012

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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-07-22.mp3
Text edition:

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JULY 22 2012.

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Improved reception for Brisbane's 4KQ

After a thorough trial, the Australian Communications and Media Authority has
decided to make permanent 'day/night switching' arrangements to improve
coverage of Brisbane's 4KQ.

Since 2007, 4KQ, which operates on AM frequency 693 kHz, has conducted
day/night transmitter power switching trials in Brisbane. These trials

have seen a significant improvement in the coverage of the 4KQ service into the Brisbane licence area.

The ACMA conducted public consultation on the proposal, released in January 2012, to vary the Licence Area Plan - Brisbane Radio - December 2000 (the Brisbane LAP). There was no evidence of problems with the day/night switching arrangements.

Day/night switching involves increasing the power of an AM transmitter during the day-time only. This takes advantage of the different ways that AM radio signals travel over distance, depending on whether it is day or night.

All 36 of CSIRO's Australian Square Kilometre Array Pathfinder (ASKAP) antennas have been assembled at the Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory in VK6, Western Australia.

The antennas have been constructed by their manufacturer, the 54th Research Institute of China Electronics Technology Group Corporation with the assistance of CSIRO and local contractors.

After passing factory acceptance tests, the antennas were then disassembled and transported to the MRO, about 350 km northeast of Geraldton where they were then reassembled on site.

The assembly of all 36 antennas is an important milestone in the construction of ASKAP," said Ant Schinckel, CSIRO's ASKAP project director.

While all antennas have now been assembled at the MRO, finalisation of site acceptance testing for all the antennas is still due to take place over coming months.

Work to develop ASKAP's innovative phased array feed receivers or `radio cameras', and complex signal processing and computing systems, has also continued.

Essential infrastructure at the MRO, such as high-bandwidth optical fibre cable linking all the antennas to a new control building, is almost complete. ASKAP will be operational in 2013.

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Don't forget the International Lighthouse Weekend is fast approaching.

C.C.A.R.C. will again be operating from the Table Cape Light at Wynyard and also Mersey Bluff Light, Devonport, so if you intend to be part of this year's event don't leave it until the last minute to get your gear together only to find something does not work!

18-19 of August 2012 is your date claimer and more later on ILLW in this newscast.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

East Gippsland Amateur Radio Club would like to remind members of the up and coming AGM, the AGM will be held today, the 22nd of July at 1330 hrs. at the Bainsdale RSL Club crn of Princes hwy and forge creek road, Meals may be held from 1200 hrs., more information may be found at the club web site vk3egc.org , I'm Michael , Clubs Publicity Officer VK3HAU.

VK8

Hello this is Spud VK8ZWM from the Darwin Amateur Radio club.

Firstly our weekly gatherings on a Thursday morning between 10 and 12 at the clubrooms in sport's house waratah crescent Fannie Bay continue with a steady stream of members and visitors to the top end. Recently we saw the final alignment and testing of our 4 square array for 40 meters out on the oval opposite our clubrooms. Despite the local AM noise from the nearby transmit site the array lined up ok and tested ok much to terry and Gary's delight. We plan to use it in the RD soon, someone was heard talking about a steerable 20-meter array next mmmmm.

The next gathering of the Darwin Amateur Radio Club will be on the first of August at 7pm. The evening will start with a Special General Meeting to approve the constitutional amendments that the committee have pored over for several months and not put to the vote. We need at least 20 members there or by signed proxy vote for the amendments to pass.

Following will be a discussion about the clubs entry into the RD contest and the International Lighthouse weekend. Also up for discussion is the Swap Meet being held on the holiday Monday the 6th of August. Sellers arrive around 8am Doors open at 9am, tables $5.00 each BBQ lunch, The after lunch activity will be an auction of donated items. For further information or to book a table, contact Alan VK8AB.

That's it from me Spud VK8ZWM for now, remember keep an ear out for VK8DA in the RD especially on 40

VK5 AND MEDIA WATCH

The WIA News Broadcast can now be heard in the upper Spencer Gulf Region of South Australia on Community Radio, The Trax FM Mid North Radio and Electronics Group is part of the Trax FM Community Radio Station and they have worked with station management to organise the broadcasting of the WIA News on Tuesday nights at 7 o'clock central standard time. The broadcast can be heard across a wide area of South Australia including the regional centres of Port Pirie, Port Augusta, Whyalla, and all points in-between.

If you're in the area tune in to Trax FM 105.1. on Tuesday nights at 7pm.

I am David VK5DMC for the Trax FM Mid North Radio and Electronics Group Port Pirie.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Olympics to impact BBC Radio ?

An unconfirmed report indicates that the BBC will be suspending online radio listening for listeners abroad from July 27 until September 9.

It appears this may be to do with the online bandwidth the BBC will need to use for their coverage of the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

If true, the suspension could impact millions of people around the world who listen to BBC radio via the web.

DID YOU WORK THE 'MINE'?

9 A 22 MINE.

This was a Croatian WFF activation by members of Radio Clubs 'Karlovac' 'Duga Resa' and 'Croatian Flora Fauna' who activated the Special Forest Reserve (9AFF-061), on July 14th, located within a mined area of a mountain within the forest. (Plje�evica mountain.)

9A22MINE, remembered that some areas in Croatia have remained affected by landmines for 22 years.

QSL via 9A1MB.

A central Christchurch building will be demolished by implosion next month.

The Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority has approved the implosion of the 14-storey Radio Network House building in Worcester St, which was once the home of NewsTalkzb.

The building was deemed unsafe after the February 2011 earthquake.

This will be the first demolition by implosion in the city since the quake demolitions began. It will take place on Sunday, August 5.

Radio Academy solves audio editing challenge for visually impaired

Wits Radio Academy director Franz Kr�ger said being able to edit audio is very difficult when one cannot see the sound wave in the editing programme.

"Oddly, the one thing that's quite hard to do when you're blind is edit audio," he said. Before digital audio editing software, people would physically cut the tape with razors, and stick the correct sequence together with special splicing tape.

"You don't really need to see to do that because you use your ears and you feel the place on the recorder," Kr�ger explains. "But digital audio editing relies very heavily on the fact that you can see the wave form on the screen."

In his search for a solution, Kr�ger posted questions on the dilemma on an international radio studies list, and got in touch with blind people overseas who do sound editing. He was advised that Ferreira would be able to use digital audio editing software as everybody else does, when these programmes were linked with a programme called JAWS. JAWS, or Job Access With Speech, reads out whatever is on the computer screen for visually

impaired people.

Kr&#65533;ger said that although this is not a common problem in South Africa, the Wits Radio Academy will be able to assist aspiring sound engineers with visual problems. "We'll certainly make it known that we have some kind of solution to this, and if it's something we can offer to anybody or share with anybody, we're happy to do that."

(jounalism.co.za)

SPREADING THE LOAD

The Portuguese National Communications Authority (ANACOM) has been invited by the UK regulator OFCOM, to monitor the actions of the radio spectrum during the London Olympics games.

More information in Portuguese:
http://www.tsf.pt/PaginaInicial/jogosolimpicos2012/Interior.aspx?content_id=2669168&utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=facebook

IARU voting on two potential members

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan FRSA and St Vincent and the Grenadine Amateur Radio Club SVGARC are proposed for International Amateur Radio Union membership.

The FRSA based in Baku has 50 members and SVGARC with 21 members, have made their proposals through IARU Region 2.

In the IARU Calendar, Secretary Rod Stafford W6ROD reports the pair declare they can satisfy the requirements of the IARU Constitution and Bylaws.

They have been put to the vote by all IARU member societies who have until November 1 to cast a ballot.

Jim Linton, VK3PC says "despite a request, no proof has been provided that the former PNGARS of Papua New Guinea and BARTS in Burma or Myanmar still exist and have been withdrawn from membership."

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

THE GREAT INTERNET BLACKOUT A WHIMPER

The over-hyped Great Internet Blackout of 2012 came and went with little more than a whimper on Monday, July 9th. This, as the so-called "Doomsday" deadline passed with few reports of service outages.

At 12:01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time the FBI shut down temporary servers it had set up to handle Web traffic for thousands of computers infected with a virus spread by a ring of cyber criminals that the bureau busted last year. Those using

the estimated 200,000 computers still infected with the virus were expected to lose their Internet connectivity after the servers were taken off line.

But like the Y-2-K fears some 12 years ago, this latest loss of service simply failed to materialize. According to the FBI, 41,800 of the 211,000 worldwide computers infected with the virus were in the United States, but U.S. Internet providers reported far fewer victims.

INVENTOR LEONARD KAHN EX- WB2SSP - S.K.

Communications inventor Leonard R. Kahn, the former WB2SSP, passed away on June 3rd in Florida.

Kahn is likely best remembered for his development of the Kahn-Hazeltine AM Stereo system that used independently modulated upper and lower sidebands. He was also the inventor of the CAM-D AM digital system. Kahn's AM stereo design was later revamped for monaural use and used in the Power-Side system, in which a decreased signal in one sideband is used to improve coverage and loudness. Power-Side became the basis for CAM-D, Compatible AM Digital, a digital system that is still used on several AM stations.

Leonard Kahn worked for RCA Labs for many years and turned out over 80 domestic and 100 foreign patents. As such, he is considered one of the five "fathers of the wireless industry."

KJ6CEY ARRESTED FOR ALLEGEDLY POINTING LASER AT FIRE ENGINE

Thirty-one year old Irene Levy, KJ6CEY, of San Jacinto, California, is in trouble with the law once again. This time after allegedly pointing a laser at a fire-fighter behind the wheel of a fire engine.

At around 3:45 a.m. on June 30th, officers from the San Jacinto Police Department responded to a call to assist CalFire. When officers arrived, the fire personnel claimed that Levy had shined a laser light at the driver of their engine while they were driving on East Main Street. Also that she had shined the laser at their driver several times earlier in the evening as well.

Levy was taken into custody and booked into the Larry Smith Correctional Facility charged with pointing a laser at a moving vehicle and violating the terms of her probation. At last

report she was being held in lieu of $25,000 bail.

You may recall back in May of 2010 when Levy used an amateur radio station to interfere with an emergency response dispatcher. In that case Levy was found guilty of jamming emergency radio frequencies by broadcasting threats. As part of her probation, she was ordered to complete a mental health program and stay out of trouble.

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RSGB

Optical Morse code in space

The amateur radio CubeSat FITSAT-1 will carry an optical communications experiment that aims to write Morse Code across the night sky using high intensity LEDs.

It launches to the ISS on 21st July, from where it will be deployed in September. For more information see www.uk.amsat.org/2037

Minister opens National Radio Centre

On Wednesday 11th July, Ed Vaizey, Minister for Culture, Communications and the Creative Industries, officially opened the National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park, Milton Keynes.

After a tour of the new building and unveiling a plaque in the entrance, Mr Vaizey said, "The National Radio Centre will do an enormous amount to spread the knowledge about the history of radio and its continuing importance in the 21st century."

Joining the RSGB to celebrate the opening of the NRC were many high profile visitors, including Ole Garpestad, LA2RR, Vice-President of the IARU and Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, CEO & Secretary of the ARRL. Many of the NRC's valued sponsors were represented, as were those who work hard to demonstrate and showcase the NRC to the public.

The National Radio Centre is open Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 11.00 to 16.30. More details, and photographs of the event, can be found on the website, www.nationalradiocentre.com

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

I'd say that the July N.T.A.R.C. meeting in VK7 falls into this category.

Jason VK7ZJA presented the club with a presentation on Radio Direction Finding.

Jason is a senior field technician with Optus.

His talk covered his activity in recent years in locating and overcoming interference to the Optus mobile phone network in VK7. Jason's interference locating RDF activity takes him all over that State but it appears Hobart provides the lion's share of his challenges.

His account of a particularly difficult hunt, eventually tracked to a little used RF device in the ABC TV studios, had the club enthralled and finally in stitches when he explained the reason for its odd pattern of appearing late morning weekdays and with a tendency to show up more prominently Wednesday mornings.

It seems the device was located in a cupboard at the ABC and the interfering signal was temperature sensitive, which explained its appearance weekday mornings, once the central heating had kicked in.

The Wednesday preference apparently arose from the fact that a weekly meeting of 'Aunties' management took place in the room immediately behind the cupboard.

With all the hot air generated by their discussions it apparently increased the ambient temperature and triggered the device!

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

Hello, this is Alan, VK4SN, RD Contest Manager.

Remember to keep August 11th and 12th free for the RD contest.

This year, a new start and finish time of 0300z applies. That's
1PM eastern
Australian Time.

Everything you need can be found on the WIA RD Contest page.

Downloadable information includes full rules, a one page quick reference guide to the rules, an Excel log book, printable paper logs, and other relevant information.

Links to popular logging software is included.

Some notable changes to the rules are:

1. earlier start time

2. working your own state or territory is allowed

3. Introduction of a single op QRP section

4. Amalgamation of all bands

5 A static exchange instead of a sequential number exchange has been implemented.

If you wish to form a team, remember to email the contest manager with your selected team members . All info can be found in the rules.

Over the next couple of weeks I will discuss some of the changes
to the rules and talk about frequently asked questions.

Till next time, this is Alan, VK4SN

More on the RD, and Hunter Radio Group Contest team will be participating in
the upcoming RD contest at Luskintyre Airport, 252 Pywells Road Luskintyre,
Saturday the 11th August, starting at 1 .00 PM Eastern Standard Time.

The team ask that all members and friends of the group please come along
and help us make sure that the Hunter Region make a large impact on the
contest results.

There will be bunk house accommodation on a first come basis at reasonable
cost and we will have the normal Luskintyre Airport sausage sizzles over
the weekend.

There will also be tours of the Tiger Moth Museum which has been of great
interest to participants in past years.

We will need operators, log keepers, Chefs for the BBQ and anyone who wants
to take advantage of the camaraderie of this type of weekend and our
friendly group.

Please let us know, as soon as possible, if you are going to attend this
wonderful weekend.

For further information please contact Jamie Campbell, VK2YCJ or
Grahame O'Brien, VK2FA on 0418686397.

(Submitted by Grahame O'Brien, VK2FA, for the Hunter Radio Contest Group)

VK/ZL Trans Tasman Contest 80+160metres July 21
VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW ALARA August 25-26
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

A group of operators from Switzerland known as
the Radio 7 Team will be active from Rodrigues
Island as 3B9SP from between October 16th and 23.

Most operation will be on CW and SSB with some RTTY
and PSK 31.

Bands mentioned are all the HF frequencies plus 6 meters.

Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World but, within 6
months after the operation concludes. QSL via HB9ACA.

TWO OPERATIONS APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT

ARRL DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, reports that two operations --
the 9X0PY (Rwanda) operation (December 24, 2011-January 7, 2012) and
the S21YD (Bangladesh) operation (1994, 1995, 1998 and 1999) -- have
been approved for DXCC credit.

"If you have had these operations rejected in a recent application,
please send an e-mail bmoore@arrl.org to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said.

"When responding, include the reference number on your credit slip
(found in the upper right hand portion) to help expedite retrieval.

Please note that due to heavy e-mail volume, you may not receive a reply.

Once updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World, as well as
online in the daily listings.

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria
several special stations are active until the end of 2012.

Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and
7Y50I.

Details of a special award in connection with this event can be found on
QRZ.COM

E I 25 D B Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.

To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB will be aired
until 30th June 2013.

The station will be operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus
led by Declan EI9HQ and Pete EI4GZB.

QSLs to Declan EI9HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

Things are moving quickly on preparations for the Hellenic Amateur Radio
Association of Australia's ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island
(650 km or 400 miles south of New Zealand in the Southern Ocean).

For those who hate all the hype of the Olympics, Campbell Island is the
furthest point on earth that you can stand on away from London, England!

The complete crew of 10 operators is now set (with some reserves in the
waiting list should a member have to cancel).

The operators are:
Tommy VK2IR,
John VK3YP,
Les W2LK,
Gene K5GS,
Don VE7DS,
Istvan HA5AO,
John 9M6XRO,
David K3EL,
Jacky ZL3CW,
& Tom KE4KY.

A list of equipment that will be taken is already on the web site and the first of the Yamaha generators is due to arrive in Sydney in the next few days. This along with some of the other equipment will be put to the test in this weekends "Trans-Tasman" 160m SSB contest that the HARAOA won last year and are eager to win again. Heavy workloads on the equipment will also occur in the 80m RTTY section of the same contest.

Keen DX-ers who may be looking to get ZL9 on a particular band and mode to move towards a DXCC or other award, should go to the survey on the website at ZL9HR.com and vote for which bands and modes they would like to hear ZL9HR operating on!

Please keep monitoring ZL9HR.com for all updates as the preparations keep progressing. The first of the sponsors are coming in but more of that in my next news update so -..

73 From ED VK2ARE, Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR and member of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Sun 29 July - TOWSA Maggie Island Swim

A great day out on the water (with the only position available on land already taken) playing with radios to the sound of Migaloo the Whale and a hundred marathon swimmers thrashing across Cleveland Bay.

Townsville club will handle comms on VHF, with some UHF comms with clubbies and aircraft.

7am start to match up with ship crews with swimming starting 11am.

It is also highly recommended that operators attend the Race Briefing at the Castle Hill PCYC - corner Hugh and Harold Streets West End on Saturday 28 July starting 1pm.

Contact theTARCinc. on "the RAT" repeater after QNEWS.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Ecuador, heading into space

A DNEPR rocket currently slated to launch from Yasny in November should carry 17 Amateur Radio satellites plus an innovative educational satellite NEE-01 Pegasus from Ecuador.

The NEE-01 Pegasus engineering team was led by Cmdr. Ronnie Nader, Ecuador's first astronaut. The tiny 1U CubeSat (10cm cube) has a large fold-out solar array, a world first, and carries a 902 MHz 720p HD TV transmitter, another world first, that will send video of the Earth to school students in Ecuador.

Among the 17 amateur radio satellites planned for the same launch will be three carrying linear transponders for SSB/CW communications, they are

FUNcube-1, Delfi-n3Xt and TURKSAT-3USAT.

Read the El Murcurio newspaper article in Google English
http://tinyurl.com/Ecuador-in-Space

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR YOUNG TIMERS
A Youth Net meets Saturdays at 0100 UTC on IRLP Reflector #2.
Young Hams Net 3.590 - 7:30pm Victorian time.

Move over Raspberry Pi, give kids a Radio Ham Pi

UK Government Minister Ed Vaizey MP is reported in The Register as calling for schoolchildren to be given simple radio kits to build so they can learn basic electronics.

Speaking at the opening of the Radio Society of Great Britain's National Radio Centre Ed Vaizey said "It would be great to get amateur radio kits in schools like we have with the Raspberry Pi."

Read the Register article at
http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/07/12/national_radio_centre_cheap_radio_kit/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

Australia is the ILLW front-runner

In the lead on 50 registrations for next month's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is Australia, followed closely by the USA on 48 and Germany with 44.

The Saint Tudwal?s Lighthouse in North Wales is the 300th entry. A group from the Strumble Head Contest Group GC0OBS will activate the lighthouse on a small archipelago lying south of Abersoch.

The white light and shorter range red flash navigation device was built in 1877 of stone after the island group was bought by Trinity House, the main lighthouse authority for England, Wales, the Channel Islands and Gibraltar.

The registrations so far are come from more than 30 countries made by clubs, groups and individuals.

The main objective of the fun weekend on August 18 and 19 is to promote public awareness of lighthouses and lightships, their need for preservation and restoration, and to give amateur radio some publicity.

To enter a lighthouse or lightship for the weekend visit the website illw.net that includes this year's registrations, guidelines, statistics and a lot more.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

A group from the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society will be travelling to Cape Willoughby at the eastern end of Kangaroo Island, to operate over the Lighthouse and Lightship weekend, August 18th and 19th.

A special call VI5CW has been allocated. Operation will be on 80, 40 and 20 metres phone, as well as 2metres and 70cm. A special QSL card has been produced for the weekend.

Operators are Paul VK5PAS, Hans VK5YX, Lesley VK5LOL, Mark VK5VW, Sasi VK5SN and Aysha VK5FASH and David VK5KC, with support from Spouses.

Google VI5CW for more information.

We look forward to a contact with you.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JULY 21 VK3 Gippsland Gate Radio & Electronics Club Hamfest @ Cranbourne

JULY 21 VK4 WIA VK4 CLUB PRESIDENTS LUNCH Hervey Bay AR Club

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

AUG 25 VK4 50 YEARS OF IPSWICH AR CLUB DINNER ITC

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

FINAL FINAL

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1297. eHam.net News for Friday 20 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-20 22:36:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341001988e2804c54a85a8@google.com>
Source record: 2464
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #29 de K7RA:

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 07:53 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28652

In last week's bulletin ARLP028 we reported a blast of energy from a solar flare headed our way, predicted arrival on Saturday, July 14. The CME hit at 1800 UTC, and had a huge effect on propagation and geomagnetic indices. The next day the planetary A index was 60, mid latitude A index was 39, and the high latitude college A index was 88. Conditions haven't been that upset since March 9, 2012, when the mid-latitude A index was 57, planetary A index was 67, and the college A index was 107.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast #2012-29:

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 07:54 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28651

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast #2012-29:

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From Bermuda to the Moon and Back:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28650

Werner and Dithmar Davde the real excitement begins when the sun goes down. The HAM Radio enthusiasts have travelled to the Island to shoot radio waves at the moon in an attempt to talk with people around the world. While HAM Radio has been around for decades, the method and equipment the German trio are using is still relatively new and Daude claimed they were the first to try it in Bermuda. When asked why they decided to come all the way to Bermuda to use their antennae, Daude replied: "It's a hobby. This type of equipment, using HAM Radio has never been activated in Bermuda; we are the first to do it." The antennae take approximately five hours to set up and are made from fibreglass and aluminium. These antennae transmit three frequencies: a 2m band, a 70cm band and a 23cm band. The men adjust the antennae for 15 minutes to follow the moon as it moves across the sky, all the while transmitting these frequencies to its surface. When the frequencies bounce off of the surface of the moon, they can be detected by people with similar equipment, who send their messages back. After

receiving a permit from the Department of Telecommunications, Cargmel, Werner, and Davde brought the kits containing the antennae to Bermuda and set up camp.

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ARNewsline Report 1824 -- July 20 2012:

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28649

The following is a QST. The FCC turns down a request to extend PRB-1 to overturn deed restrictions, the ARRL says a White House Executive Order on telecommunications should not impact ham radio, proposed changes in British laws governing spacecraft could make microsat launches by UK hams possible and the FCC continues its crackdown on unlicensed broadcasters. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1823 coming your way right now.

1298. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND WORLD SEXIEST GIRLS HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-21 01:52:23 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <4313d0bd-5b00-4b99-8b1d-fada3a4e1fef@g4g2000pbn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2465

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
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1299. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 20 July 2012

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Source record: 2466
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Hobby Histories Offers Facts and Fun at Troy Historic Village - Patch.com

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 02:20 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNETcArWADSaAI39G2O0DO49K-gZrw&url=http://troy.patch.com/articles/hobby-histories-facts-and-fun-at-the-troy-historic-village

Hobby Histories Offers Facts and Fun at Troy Historic Village
Patch.com
July 26: HAM Radio Night. Local amateur radio operators will demonstrate their equipment and share information about the evolution and technology of this terrific hobby that connects HAMs across great distances. August 23: All Aboard for Model Trains.

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ARNewsline Report 1824 -- July 20 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 12:30 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH896KJu4CtkANv0UlzjbgnddqL2g&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28649

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eHam.net
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Another chance for an astronaut chat - Daily Press

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 02:12 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF17w8D5lSodmbf6rVtwnqn_qW7cw&url=http://www.dailypress.com/news/hampton/dp-nws-astrochat-again-20120720,0,1385587.story

Another chance for an astronaut chat
Daily Press
It had to abort last months mission, but the Virginia Air & Space Center is gearing up for a second attempt at a live ham radio chat with an astronaut aboard the International Space Station. A lightning strike fried the ... The damage went undetected ...

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Double delight for Barry Amateur Radio Society, with funding boost and

Olympic ... - Barry and District News

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 12:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGjZ2PH_e1KxqOdFFPMpiSBPiwCMQ&url=http://www.barryanddistrictnews.co.uk/news/9813483.Double_delight_for_Barry_Amateur_Radio_Society__with_funding_boost_and_Olympic_honour/?ref%3Dnt

Double delight for Barry Amateur Radio Society, with funding boost and Olympic ...
Barry and District News
BARRY Amateur Radio Society (BARS) has struck gold, after being awarded a £4795 grant through the Big Lottery Funds Awards For All programme. The club has used the money to buy new equipment, which will allow members to broadcast all over the ...

1300. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 21 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-21 11:11:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9341277bc361a04c555120d@google.com>
Source record: 2467
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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CubeSat Launch Success

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JTYlThbDm6c/cubesat_launch_success.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The HTV-3 cargo vessel carrying five CubeSats blasted off on an H-IIB rocket to the International Space Station (ISS) in the early hours of Saturday, July 21. Onboard were four amateur radio CubeSats, F-1, WeWish, FitSat-1 and TechEdSat along with a scientific CubeSat Raiko

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G0KSC to present at Central States Conference next weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5RwRyd75ioc/g0ksc_to_present_at_central_states_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Justin Johnson, G0KSC will be presenting at the annual Central States VHF Conference next weekend

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From Bermuda to the moon and back

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Mhp5Pf0hPsk/from_bermuda_to_the_moon_and_back.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Three German radio hams have travelled to Bermuda to work moon bounce (EME) using the call VP9I from grid square FM72OH

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New DXCC entity Kosovo soon?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xmebaSf7nHg/new_dxcc_entity_kosovo_soon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Almost four and a half years after obtaining its independence the Kosovo, former province of Serbia, shall receive its full sovereignty in September

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Introduction to satellite tracking and listening

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cNW6gt-GuBk/introduction_to_satellite_tracking_and_listening.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

These videos cover the basics of satellite tracking using the free Orbitron software

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eubrcIkFlD0/propagation_forecast_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-29 has been published

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pzotWGhZj1o/029_july_21.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In last week's bulletin we reported a blast of energy from a solar flare headed our way, predicted arrival on Saturday, July 14. The CME hit at 1800 UTC, and had a huge effect on propagation and geomagnetic indices

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KJ6TVO 'Pursuing My Childhood Dream'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VQw2kj6Cn7M/kj6tvo_pursuing_my_childhood_dream.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Ali Guarneros Luna KJ6TVO features in an SJSU Today article. Guarneros Luna is part of an SJSU student team that worked on the cube satellite TechEdSat, one of five CubeSats being transported to the International Space Station

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ARISS contact with ESA Space Camp in Dublin on Echolink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wdfHO_AqUnI/ariss_event_audio_2207.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the ESA Space Camp, being held at St. Columba’s College, Whitechurch, Dublin, Ireland

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RSGB Board proceedings released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RN_q8Mi5UNI/rsgb_board_proceedings_rele

ased.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has released the board proceedings for June and the teleconference in July. The proceedings list four possible outcomes for GB4FUN...

1301. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 21 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-21 16:12:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e84f8c842e604c5594546@google.com>
Source record: 2468
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Gus Grissom Special Event Station TODAY

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 04:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354827-Gus-Grissom-Special-Event-Station-TODAY&goto=newpost

Gus Grissom Special Event Station TODAY

Gus Grissom Day is in honor of Virgil I "Gus" Grissom a native of Lawrence County, who died along with fellow astronauts Ed White and Roger Chaffee in the tragic Apollo 1 pre-launch test accident on January 27, 1967. The 2012 Gus Grissom Day Special Event will be TODAY Saturday July 21st. The Hoosier Hills Ham Club is operating using the callsign W9GUS from 14:00 - 20:00 UTC on 20 meters between 14250 kHz & 14270 kHz, and on 40 meters between 7250 kHz & 7270 kHz. (+/- QRM) We are operating from outside the Grissom Memorial just inside the entrance to Spring Mill State Park in Mitchell, IN . This is also an INPOTA (Indiana Parks on the Air) activation. (http://inpota.com) Please visit our main website (http://www.w9qyq.org) for Gus Grissom Day Special Event QSL Information.

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special callsign for olympics 2012

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 05:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354793-special-callsign-for-olympics-2012&goto=newpost

could anyone give me some advise?,im using mo3gpl for the special callsign for the olympics 2012 london,i dont seem to be-able to log new contacts in my qrz.com with this new call as its going to mm3gpl,my original callsign,can this be changed,or is this the way it works 73s gavin

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Bicentennial of War of 1812

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 01:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354774-Bicentennial-of-War-of-1812&goto=newpost

KC2ELX will be on HF and VHF as W4R this weekend celebrating the 200th aniversary of the W4R of 1812 from Sackets Harbor, NY.

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IOTA EU-073 - IJ7A

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 09:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354753-IOTA-EU-073-IJ7A&goto=newpost

The IJ7A DX-Contest Group is pleased to announce their DXpedition to St. Peter Island, IOTA EU-073 - Cheradi Group, between July 26-29th 2012 including entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest, as a Multi-Op. The team is composed of the following operators:

I7PHH Gianni, IK4DCT Davide, IK7IMO Vin, IK7JWY Art, IK7VJX Piero, IK7XIV Roby, IW7ECA Bartolo, IZ7PDX Luigi.

Contest Web Sites for details: http://ij7a.jimdo.com, or follow on Twitter: @ik7imo_ij7a

QSL via IK7XIV

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I1bay memorial day qrp

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 07:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354738-I1bay-memorial-day-qrp&goto=newpost

MEMORIAL DAY I1BAY QRP

The QRP Mountain Club, in collaboration with the ARI Sanremo, organizes

the Memorial Day Trophy I1BAY QRP. The aim is to keep alive the memory of Attilio

I1BAY, the great protagonist of the National and International QRP activities,

which he held with great tenacity and passion in both fixed and mobile

station SOTA, 2002 to 2009 in Italy. "in the air since 1948", as is often repeated in his

numerous technical articles, winner for several years in Watts per Mile Table HF

(then visible in www.radioavventura.it site), continued with enthusiasm his QRP

activities in the mountains, until shortly before his disappearance, the

'December 8, 2009. Recall that for the activation of a Peak Watts x Mile, which are listed

available at www.wattxmiglio.it, is allowed to reach the top just means "human", on

foot or by bicycle, and that power is only allowed from batteries or solar

panels, the work is done outdoors or in tents (It is strictly forbidden to

operate from a shelter), and that the maximum permissible power is 5 Watts.

These rules

are clearly specified in the appropriate section of the site www.wattxmiglio.it

PARTICIPANTS:

All Member OM

duly authorized, Italians and foreigners . TIME: First weekend of

September, approximately over time ranging from 14 UTC on Saturday at 14 UTC on

Sunday. For

2012, the date is' 1 and 2 September. BANDS: HF: 7-14-21-28 MHz and WARC bands - VHF-UHF:

50/144/432 MHz Ways and CATEGORIES CW, SSB, Digital modes Two Unique Categories:

Fixed Station QRP and QRP portable station Each station can operate

on all bands and all the ways you want, send log HF and VHF-UHF separated.

POWER QRP

5 Watts Max /

Portable QRP Station 10 Watt Max / Fixed Station QRP CIME activated: All Peaks WattxMiglio, as

references to the regional site WattxMiglio (www.wattxmiglio.it) in addition to

peaks not yet referenced, but reflect the characteristics required by Regulation

wxm. In this

case the Log should provide a brief description of it and navigate to it,

besides the name of the peak, as found on various topographies or specialized

Internet sites. SCORING: The same station can be connected only once for each mode and frequency

range: Fixed

Stations: One point per kilometer = QRB, regardless of frequency or mode in use.

Portable

Stations: The rule QRB / Wattage (Watts divided QRB) via Excel Spreadsheet

downloadable from the site. stations participating in portable acquire

automatically the score in the ranking of the Diploma WattxMiglio.
QUALIFICATIONS:

All Portable

QRP stations (operating wxm referenced by peaks), which will receive Fixed
that

will send the log via the Internet by the Mountain Club and QRP by ARI
Sanremo a

Certificate of participation. The winners, HF and VHF Portable QRP Station
of

category, will receive two trophies from both the Mountain by Section QRP
Club

of San Remo. LOGS: For writing the log, the participants will use the
laptop specific

program downloadable from website WattxMiglio, while those who participate
from

home, always QRP HF in both V-UHF, she must submit a log, separate HF and

VHF-UHF, using one of the many programs available online. For those who
will work

HF, remember to ask the landlord for the same or it will be impossible to

complete the log. Although the V-UHF, the application of this finding is
common practice

during the QSO. Logs must be sent in electronic form at: hf@wattxmiglio.it
by the end of

September 2012.

1302. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 21 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-21 16:29:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f9f9d296404c5598453@google.com>
Source record: 2469
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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A step into History - KC4DX

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 07:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354741-A-step-into-History-KC4DX&goto=newpost

I wish I was a ham during this time, as it would have been wonderful to work these guys. I'm proud to know a few of these guys. Take a step into history, and check out the DXPedition from 1972 to Navassa Island!

http://www.kc4dx.com/

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1823 July 20 2012

Posted: 19 Jul 2012 08:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354696-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1823--July-20-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1823 ☐ July 20 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1823 with a release date of July 20 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC turns down a request to extend PRB-1 to overturn deed restrictions, the ARRL says a White House Executive Order on telecommunications should not impact ham radio, proposed changes in British laws governing spacecraft could make microsat launches by UK hams possible and the FCC continues its crackdown on unlicensed broadcasters. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1823 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO LAW: FCC DENIES PETITION TO EXPAND PRB-1 TO COVER CC&R

Deed restrictions and other land use covenants that limit the antenna rights of many hams will remain in place for the time being. So says the FCC in its July 16th denial of a rule making request filed by Leonard Umina, W7CCE, of Gilbert, Arizona. One that sought to expand the policy of limited Federal preemption of state and local regulations governing amateur towers and antennas. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the latest:

1303. SARL News in English 21/7/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-21 16:40:26 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <2C300796F2B54A659024CEE41163234F@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2470
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 22 JULY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on "Amateur Radio Today" and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria with relays on 7 066 and 3 695 kHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SARL PRESIDENT SAYS RADIO AMATEURS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO CREATING A KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY

NEXT RTA PRESENTATION IN GAUTENG

UK SPECIAL EVENTS STATIONS FOR THE 2012 OLYMPICS

NEW ASTRO-HAMS ARRIVE AT THE ISS AS PART OF THE EXPEDITION 32 CREW

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

SARL PRESIDENT SAYS RADIO AMATEURS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO CREATING A KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY

Speaking at the Radio Technology in Action Symposium in Durban yesterday the SARL President said that Research and Development (R&D) promotes the growth of knowledge-intensive activity. "There is a clear connection between R&D intensity and competitiveness. One of the goals for South Africa is to enhance the country's knowledge-generation capacity in order to produce world-class research and turn some advanced findings into innovative products and processes."

Amateur radio is blessed with a large slice of the radio spectrum, much larger than what many believe the amateur radio service should have. But balanced against this is that radio amateurs have a history of pioneering new developments. "Exposure to amateur radio has turned many young people to taking up careers in the technology industry. Many have excelled and made major contributions. I am reminded of Jack Kirby who

received the Nobel Prize in 2000 for his development of the integrated circuit. In his Nobel lecture entitled "Turning potential into reality" he related how he became interested in electronics and technology", ZS1YT said.

"Radio Amateurs experiment a lot but they have one major problem, they do not share it by giving talks at club meetings, by writing articles for Radio ZS or other professional publications. In our world there are a number of interesting projects that we can work on while having fun."

In his presentation he highlighted propagation research opportunities on 160 metres, 5 MHz after ICASA has allocated spectrum, on 600 metres and in 137 KHz bands.

NEXT RTA IN GAUTENG

The next RTA will be held in Gauteng at the national Amateur Radio centre on Saturday 18 August 2012. Pre-booking will open on Tuesday. Get details on www.sarl.org.za, select RTA from the left hand column.

HAVE FUN WITH THE BOLAND SPRINT TODAY

The Boland Amateur Radio Club is holding its 40 metre sprint phone contest today, Sunday 22 July from 15:00 - 18:00 CAT. This is a fun activity to promote contacts on 40 metres between radio amateurs in Southern African countries. It is also an ideal opportunity for Mobile stations, Field stations and RaDAR stations to participate. In this contest only wire or mobile antennas may be used and a maximum output of 100 watt. The following frequencies may be used 7060 - 7100 and 7135 -7200 kHz. Only three [3] contacts per frequency are allowed before you have to change frequency. You may only return to a previously used frequency after five [5] contacts. A fun challenge.

Only Excell logsheets will be accepted and can be sent to zs1bak@bark.org.za or by post to BARK, P.O. Box 273, Strand, 7139.

Full details can be found on page 60 the contest manual on www.sarl.org.za. (URL on for printed version www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf).

UK SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS FOR THE 2012 OLYMPICS

Southgate reports that as part of the celebration of the 2012 London Olympics and Paralympics, two flagship amateur radio stations will be active during the games.

The Cray Valley Radio Society will host England's Olympic celebration from the Royal Borough of Greenwich. This is home to many of London's events outside the main Olympic arena. The call-sign used at that location will be Two Oscar One Two Lima. A similar amateur radio celebration is happening in Barry, South Wales, where the call-sign will be Two Oscar One Two Whisky.

Both groups are looking to make as many contacts as possible worldwide during the Olympics. They will be on the air 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from Wednesday July 25 through Sunday September 9. The London station will be open to the public from 10:00 to 16:00 and the Welsh station from 10:00 to 17:00 UTC daily.

Commemorative QSLs will be available for both operations. QSL information is on-line at www dot Two Oscar one two Lima dot com and www dot Two Oscar One Two Whisky.com. Both stations are eager to make contact.

NEW ASTRO-AMATEURS ARRIVE AT THE ISS AS PART OF THE EXPEDITION 32 CREW

Three amateur radio space fliers arrived safely at the International Space Station early Tuesday, 17 July. This, for a four-month stay while also bringing the orbiting outpost back to its full crew complement of six.

The Soyuz space capsule carrying NASA astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB; Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Japanese space explorer Aki Hoshide, KE5DNI, docked with the station on Tuesday, July 17 . This following a two-day flight from Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.

At docking time, the Soyuz spacecraft and space station were at an altitude of 251 miles over North-Eastern Kazakhstan. The Soyuz parked itself at an Earth facing docking port on the station's Russian built Rassvet module. After the hatches were opened between the Soyuz and ISS, Williams, Malenchenko and Hoshide moved to the ISS and joined their fellow Expedition 32 crew members Sergei Revin; Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Joseph Acaba, KE5DAR.

Padalka, Revin and Acaba have had the space station to themselves since July 1st. That's when three previous crew members returned to Earth and brought the station's previous Expedition 31 to a close.

PRETORIA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB FLEA MARKET

The Pretoria amateur Radio Club will be hosting their winter flea market on Saturday 28 July at PMC in Keuning street, Silverton. For more information, or to book a table, phone Almero, ZS6LDP on 083 938 8955 or e-mail him to almero@up.ac.za,

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity will be at low levels. None of the Earth-facing sunspots are posing a threat for strong solar flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 65.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent due to the lower solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

22 July - Boland Amateur Radio Station 40 metre sprint from 15:00 to 18:00 CAT. 25 July - 2012 Olympic Games special event amateur radio stations on the air.. 28- July - Pretoria Amateur Radio Club Winter flea market, for more information contact Almero ZS6LDP, his cellphone number is 083 938 8955. 18 August - RTA in Gauteng at the National Amateur Radio Centrum.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dick, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johan, ZS4SS, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73.

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1304. eHam.net News for Saturday 21 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-21 22:36:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3005154c671bd304c55ea5df@google.com>
Source record: 2471
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Stay Tuned In:

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28654

Whether it's ravaging floods, raging fire or a devastating earthquake, vital information will be passed along to emergency personnel and the public when amateur radio operators power up their communication system. In Sonoma Valley, there is a group of dedicated volunteers at the ready. Within three hours of an emergency, they are trained to find a radio signal and start transmitting news of rescue operations, evacuations, damaged roadways, and status of food, water and medical supplies, among other information. The Valley of the Moon Amateur Radio Club (VOMARC) has about 50 local members, all licensed by the Federal Communications Commission to operate high, ultra high and very high frequency radios (including Morse code) to assist in disasters. "The idea of emergency preparedness is that in a disaster, ham radio operators would be your communication," Jones said. The more prepared they are, he said, the better the chances of providing life-saving information.

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Video: Huge Sunspot Fires Off Intense Solar Flare:

Posted: 20 Jul 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28653

A gigantic sunspot unleashed an intense solar flare early Thursday (July 19), though the solar storm shouldn't pose any serious problems to us here on Earth, scientists say. The flare erupted from a sunspot known as AR 1520 at 1:13 a.m. EDT (0513 GMT) Thursday and peaked about 45 minutes later. The outburst qualifies as an M7.7-class solar flare, meaning it's a bit weaker than the sun's most powerful blast, X-class flares. The sun storm also produced a coronal mass ejection (CME), a huge eruption of solar plasma that can streak through space at speeds of 3 million mph (5 million kph) or more. CMEs that hit Earth can wreak havoc, spawning geomagnetic storms that can disrupt GPS signals, radio communications and power grids.

1305. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 21 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 02:21:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301d424294ba2b04c561ca17@google.com>
Source record: 2472
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateurs assist local police, fire - Wisconsin Rapids Tribune

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 02:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHv_vjIfV1E_iQn4f7f03S4F47UXA&url=http://www.wisconsinrapidstribune.com/article/20120721/WRT10/207210301/Amateurs-assist-local-police-fire?odyssey%3Dmod%257Cnewswell%257Ctext%257CWRT-News%257Cp

Amateurs assist local police, fire
Wisconsin Rapids Tribune
Being a member of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, or ARES, is about helping out wherever and whenever we are needed. To keep in practice, the Wood County Amateur Radio Emergency Service had 14 members support the Wisconsin Rapids ...

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Lifelong passion for ham radio still burns at 92 - Columbus Dispatch

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 02:52 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFi1OruaZNztVgMtXP_2JLS0UzvPQ&url=http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2012/07/13/man-of-the-air.html

Columbus Dispatch
Lifelong passion for ham radio still burns at 92
Columbus Dispatch
Hes one of about 703000 ham-radio operators nationwide, according to the Connecticut-based National Association for Amateur Radio. “There are more operators in the country than ever before,” said association spokesman Allen Pitts. “And it is growing.” ...

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This Week In News Around Monmouth and Ocean Counties - Patch.com

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 03:21 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFZi5IT_Xcev3So_qyxibXnVrh10w&url=http://freehold.patch.com/articles/this-week-in-headlines-around-monmouth-and-ocean-counties

This Week In News Around Monmouth and Ocean Counties
Patch.com
Tweet. Email. Print. Comment. ‹ Back to Article. new Video_thumb. Embed | Share. The Middletown Amateur Radio Clubs Steve Wolkovitz of Holmdel demonstrates on July 10 how ham operators communicate with people around the world. context. Photos (4) ...

1306. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1342936800@panix.com>
Source record: 2473
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1307. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 06:05:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1342937100@panix.com>
Source record: 2474
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1308. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 22 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 06:21:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934043f99e0b004c5652416@google.com>
Source record: 2475
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Huntington WV Hamfest

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 03:47 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354892-Huntington-WV-Hamfest&goto=newpost

Huntington Hamfest AUG 11th 2012 Huntington Hamfest AUG 11th 2012
Tri-state Amateur Radio Assn P.O. Box 4120 ☐ Huntington, WV ☐ 25729 ☐
Repeater 146.760 PL 131.8 ☐ Packet 145.070 Aug. 11th 2012 , Tri-State ARA
Hamfest Huntington,West Virginia. Contact Garry Ritchie, W8OI,
304-733-1300. August 11th, 2012 at Christ Temple Church activities
building, Johnstown Road just off the Fifth Street exit of I-64. Plenty
of space, lots of parking area, and a couple new features in the works for
next year, which will be our 50thHamfest.

W8OI@aol.com

President 2012 Mark Killen KD8QIG

1309. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 22 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 11:05:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303bfe969cc96804c5691b2a@google.com>
Source record: 2476
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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IARU voting on two potential members

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x4Cny3f00ZY/iaru_voting_on_two_potentia
l_members.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan FRSA and St Vincent and the
Grenadine Amateur Radio Club SVGARC are proposed for International Amateur
Radio Union membership

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Radio Amateurs can contribute to creating a knowledge economy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GEEU5WOyJGY/creating_a_knowledge_econom
y.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Speaking at the Radio Technology in Action Symposium in Durban yesterday
the SARL President said that Research and Development promotes the growth
of knowledge-intensive activity

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Thai radio operators make their case at public hearing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iu1sF8XvouM/thai_radio_operators_make_t
heir_case_at_public_hearing.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

More than a thousand representatives from broadcast radio stations in
Thailand attended a NBTC public hearing about draft radio rules

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ADIF2KML New Release

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2rKMMW8EDdI/adif2kml_new_release.htm?ut
m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew ZL3DW has a new release of his freeware software ADIF2KML now
V2.1.0 available on his website

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Have fun with the Boland Sprint today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Eo_e4uzy-34/boland_sprint.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Boland Amateur Radio Club is holding its 40 metre sprint phone contest
today, Sunday 22 July from 15:00 - 18:00 CAT

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RF filters and diplexers - Cross Country Wireless

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1WfJ_Jy2hvA/rf_filters_and_diplexers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Cross Country Wireless have started making their range of RF filters and
diplexers again after a break following the launch of their SDR-4+ receiver

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K7AGE/P operating portable with the Icom IC-7200

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vSSPd8KTVH4/k7age_operating_portable_with_the_icom_ic7200.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Rand Hall K7AGE takes the Icom IC-7200 up to Gold Beach
Oregon to operate portable

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EhhogFfsFjQ/july_22.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity
will be at low levels

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Transverter for 472 kHz band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z1RgNFjjqHM/transverter_for_472%20khz_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Roger Lapthorn G3XBM has been designing a simpler and less expensive
version of his 500kHz transverter for use with the FT817

1310. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 22 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 16:24:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e31f2920204c56d9041@google.com>
Source record: 2477
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VR2/W8AY Lamma Island

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 11:43 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354865-VR2-W8AY-Lamma-Island&goto=newpost

Paul, R2AD/W8AY will be operating as VR2/W8AY from Lamma Island , Hong Kong Islands (IOTA AS-006) 28 to 30 July, 2012.

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...and_hong-kong/

73 Al 4L5A

1311. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 22 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 16:42:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301d424209e0cb04c56dcfcf@google.com>
Source record: 2478
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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IARU voting on two potential members

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 02:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354928-IARU-voting-on-two-potential-members&goto=newpost

IARU voting on two potential members

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan FRSA and St
Vincent and the Grenadine Amateur Radio Club SVGARC are proposed for
International Amateur Radio Union membership.

The FRSA based in Baku has 50 members and SVGARC with 21
members, have made their proposals through IARU Region 2.

In the IARU Calendar, Secretary Rod Stafford W6ROD reports the pair
declare they can satisfy the requirements of the IARU Constitution and
Bylaws.

They have been put to the vote by all IARU member societies who have until
November 1 to cast a ballot.

Meanwhile despite a request, no proof has been provided that the former
PNGARS of Papua New Guinea and BARTS in Burma or Myanmar still exist and
have been withdrawn from membership.

Jim Linton

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AmateurLogic.TV 41: Studio Tour, N4PY Software, Raspberry Pi, Field Day 2012

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 07:27 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354913-AmateurLogic-TV-41-Studio-Tour-N4PY-Software-Raspberry-Pi-Field-Day-2012&goto=newpost

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

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To All RADIO AMATEURS

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UK Olympics Special Events Satellite Operations Commence This Week

With the "London 2012 Olympics" official opening taking place during the next week, this is a reminder of the previously posted information about the "Amateur Radio Flagship Event Stations" that will be operating beginning Wednesday July 25 until the Games close on September 9.

The London station 2O12L (two-oscar-one-two-London) and the station in Wales (two-oscar-one-two-Wales) will be operating on amateur HF and VHF/UHF bands during the event.

The Barry Amateur Radio Society in Wales, subject to operator availability and suitable passes, will endeavor to make contacts via the amateur radio satellites as well of course as the HF bands.

The London area has a restriction imposed on VHF/UHF activation which will limit personal operations on the satellites. Outside the restricted zone however there maybe other amateur radio operators who may be active, not as "flagship stations" but using a personal or club call sign under a notice of variation.

Barry Amateur Radio Society in Wales looks forward to making as many contacts as possible for this rare opportunity. We take this as an opportunity to wish all those participating in the Olympic Games and amateur radio operators world wide "Good Luck".

[ANS thanks Ken Eaton, GW1FKY and the Barry Amateur Radio Society, Wales, UK for the above information]

AMSAT Board of Directors 2012 Ballots in the Mail

Ballots for the 2012 AMSAT-NA Board of Directors election have been mailed to all members. Also included is biographical information about each of the candidates.

Select no more than three of the six listed candidates (in alphabetitcal order):

Tom Clark, K3IOSteve Coy, K8UDMark Hammond, N8MHLou McFadin, W5DIDGould Smith, WA4SXMPatrick E. Stoddard, WD9EWK

The 3 candidates receiving the most votes will become directors serving 2 year terms. The 2 receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternates for 1 year terms.

You must mail your ballot back to be received at the AMSAT-NA Office no later than the close of business on September 15, 2012:

AMSAT

850 Sligo Avenue, #600

Silver Spring, MD 20910

[ANS thanks AMSAT Corporate Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

AMSAT Commemorative Shirt Available for the Symposium

AMSAT offers you the chance to have the coolest ham shirt of the year as we announce the special commemorative shirt for the 2012 Symposium. The polo shirt is ultramarine blue, silk touch 5-ounce 65/35 poly/cotton pique fabric (ask the XYL what this means) in men's and ladies' styles.

The men's shirt is available in sizes XS to 6X, with a pocket on the left side:

XS - XL ... $202X - 3X ... $234X - 6X ... $28

The ladies' shirt is available in sizes XS to 6X, no pocket:

XS - XL ... $182X - 3X ... $214X - 6X ... $26

The Symposium logo (AMSAT Fox) is embroidered on the left side of the men's and ladies' shirts. You can optionally add up to 2 lines of your callsign/name embroidered on the right side of the shirt for $5 per shirt.

Shirts must be ordered by mail with the order form sent with the AMSAT ballots.

[ANS thanks the AMSAT Office for the above information]

AMSAT and ARISS Support Moon Day 2012 at Dallas Love Field Air Museum

Moon Day 2012 was held on July 21 at the Frontiers of Flight Museum at Love Field in Dallas, Texas to commemorate Neil Armstrong's walk on the moon. The event featured space exhibits, demonstrations and other space activities. AMSAT and ARISS were represented as they showed amateur radio satellites including a model of the Fox-1 satellite. This was an opportunity to promote the ARISS program also.

The purpose of Moon Day is to celebrate this astounding achievement of humankind by bringing together local and national organizations into one place where the public can walk and talk with the people and the groups who are on the frontlines of space exploration, along with space and astronomy

advocates, hobbyists, and educators.

More information about the event was posted at:

http://nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov/event-v...Event_ID=37613

The Frontiers of Flight Museum web page can be found at:

http://www.flightmuseum.com/

You can re-live the Apollo 11 launch on July 16, 1969 with this video:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-CAN2...layer_embedded

[ANS thanks AMSAT and ARISS for the above information]

Three Hams Arrive + Three Hams Aboard = Six Hams Aboard ISS

Three hams arrived at the International Space Station on July 17 when the Soyuz TMA-05M spacecraft docked and the hatches opened on the 37th anniversary of the Apollo-Soyuz docking.

Expedition 32 crew members NASA astronaut Suni Williams KD5PLB, cosmonaut Yury Malenchenko RK3DUP and Japanese astronaut Aki Hoshide KE5DNI joined with Expedition 31's NASA astronaut Joe Acaba KE5DAR and cosmonauts Gennady Padalka RN3DT and Sergei Revin RN3BS to bring the crew complement up to six.

Video of the hatch opening, welcome aboard, and the press conference from the ISS have been posted at: http://tinyurl.com/Soyuz-Arrival (UniverseToday.com)

Padalka, Acaba and Revin will be on board until September 17th, and the newest crew will stay until November 12, 2012.

[ANS thanks NASA and UniverseToday.com for the above information]

NASA JPL Explore Mars: Curiosity 3-D Interactive Experience

NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California invites you to prepare for the arrival of the Mars Science Laboratory rover Curiosity on August 6. JPL has developed a new 3-D interactive experience which will allow you to follow along with Curiosity's discoveries on Mars.

The beta version of "Explore Mars: Curiosity", a new 3-D interactive experience is available online at NASA.gov.

When you first access this site you will be asked to download the Unity application which loads seamlessly with your web browser. Once started you will receive high-resolution terrain maps of Gale Crater, Curiosity's landing site, collected from Mars orbiters. A 3-D "virtual rover" version of Curiosity will follow the path of the real rover as it makes discoveries.

JPL advises interested Mars fans to download the Unity game environment and test drive the rover early to reduce potential download delays as global interest peaks during the August landing events.

Also available on the JPL Mars Science Laboratory web site is the Mars Rover Landing immersive experience for the Xbox 360. You will able to take control of your own spacecraft using Kinect and face the extreme challenges of landing a rover on Mars. More details are available on the web site.

MarsDaily.com has a related article: http://tinyurl.com/MarsDaily

[ANS thanks NASA JPL and MarsDaily.com for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

+ Listen for special event station N8M operating from the Henry Ford/Greenfield Village (Detroit) Maker Faire July 28-29. They will be operating on all bands, all modes including satellite and 6 meters. Satellite operation will be active on all modes on as many passes as possible. QSL info can be located on the Ford Amateur Radio League website. (via John, N8NWA)+ Listen for Canadian special event station CG3B operating from FN03 on the satellites. The special event commemorates 200 years of friendship between Canada and the US (after the War of 1812). More information is posted on the callsign page on QRZ.com. You can QSL via VE3FOI and your QSL will be mailed to you a special issue 1812 Canadian stamp. The event is sponsored by the Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club (via John, K8YSE)+ The ARRL posted audio and video of the July 12 interview with ARRL News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane K1SFA and Astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT. The video and transcript is posted on the ARRL web.+ The August QST Magazine features activities by amateur satellite operators. On page 20 you will find coverage of the SSTV contact via ARISSat-1 by Farrell Winder, W8ZCF, and Jeff Winder, KB8VCO. On page 63 "Long Haul Radio" discusses amateur radio operation from an 18-wheeler including mention of packet via ISS by John McLendon, AB8JL. Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, well known to satellite operators, has an article on page 41, "Rethinking Electrical Power for the Ham."+ As a friendly reminder, we are approaching the deadline for article submissions for the next issue of the AMSAT Journal. Please finish your articles and submit them to journal@amsat.org by July 23.+ Watch the inspirational video, The Audacity to Dream on-line. The description reads, "Making its debut at the TEDxISU (International Space University) event on July 6, the video above is an inspirational call-to-arms for anyone who's ever looked to the stars and dreamed of a day when the sky was, in fact, not the limit.+ A new schedule was uploaded to AO-27 on July 4th. Users of the Java AO-27 Satellite Schedule Lister should make sure that you have downloaded the latest data files. (George, KA3HSW)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

ARISS Status - 16 July 2012

1. Upcoming School Contact

ESA Space Camp, which is being held at St. Columba□s College, Whitechurch, Dublin, Ireland, has been scheduled for an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Sunday, July 22 at 17:25 UTC via telebridge station W6SRJ in California. The ARISS contact is part of an educational program of which some activities are based around André Kuipers□ mission, Spaceship Earth. Children at the camp will have 2 weeks

of space education covering the themes of Climate, Biodiversity and the Human Body as well as Earth Observation and the Solar System. The children will also receive lessons about how tocommunicate with the crew on the ISS from a ham radio expert.

2. ARISS Contact with Women in STEM

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held with Women in STEM High School Aerospace Scholars in Houston, Texas on Tuesday, July 10 via telebridge station W6SRJ in California. The high school girls came from across the U.S. to participate in the program which provided them the opportunity to plan a space exploration mission and to learn from women that work at NASA. Joe Acaba, KE5DAR on ISS answered 23 questions during the Q&A session. Approximately 150 students and guests were present for the event. Video is available (YouTube.com)

3. Expedition 30/31Crew Scheduled for Debrief

Astronauts Don Pettit and André Kuipers (Expedition 30/31) will take part in a debrief session to give feedback on the ARISS program. The debrief is currently scheduled for August 15.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

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New AM website

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3890 AM Texoma Traders Net website http://texomatradersnet.com/

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CAF Bomber B-29 FiFi On 14.263 MHz Today

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 09:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354846-CAF-Bomber-B-29-FiFi-On-14-263-MHz-Today&goto=newpost

Today the CAF B29 Bomber FiFi will be operating on or near 14.263 MHz while in

flight using vintage Collins AM gear that was installed recently by Collins

Retirees.

The anticipated flight will originate from CID Cedar Rapids, Iowa at around 1800

hours UTC.

Denny, K0LGI

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ADIF2KML version 2.1.0 - New version available for free download

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354821-ADIF2KML-version-2-1-0-New-version-available-for-free-download&goto=newpost

There is a new release of my freeware ADIF2KML now V2.1.0 on my website www.QSL.net/zl3dw ADIF2KML takes your ham log in ADIF format, (it must include Maidenhead Grids), and plots the QSOs on to Google Earth(TM) Just like putting pins in a map, but smarter! The new version adds coloured pins rather than just yellow, more filters for bands and modes, and you can now change the size of the pins and the callsign label. The KML software will not work if you don't have grids recorded in your log, so it is really only useful to digital mode ops, EME ops and VHF / Microwave DX ops.

73 Andrew ZL3DW.

1312. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1071

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 17:56:07 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <968650.22100.qm@smtp106.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2479
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-July, through Sunday, 22nd-July there were 209 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY9, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2O12, ENGLAND (Update - Special Event Amateur Radio Station for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games). Publicity Liaison Officer John Warburton, G4IRN, sent out the following "Press Release #5" on

July 16t: "As a celebration of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, two flagship amateur radio stations will be active during the Games as part of the Cultural Olympiad.
The Cray Valley Radio Society is to host England's celebration from the Royal Borough of Greenwich, home to many of London's events outside the main Olympic arena. The call-sign used will be 2O12L (two Oscar one two Lima).
A similar amateur radio celebration is happening in Barry, south Wales, where the call-sign will be 2O12W (two Oscar one two whisky).
Both teams are looking to make as many contacts as possible throughout the world during the Games, particularly with countries participating in the Games. They will be operating 24/7 from Wednesday 25th July until Sunday 9th September and will be open to the public from Thursday 26th July. The London station will be open from 10am to 4pm and the Welsh station from 10am to 5pm daily.
Commemorative QSLs will be available for both stations, QSL details are on the web site. It is hoped that Clublog and LOTW uploads will be made during the event.
For more information about the stations, their locations, operating frequencies etc., their web-sites can be found at <www.2o12l.com> and <www.2o12w.com>."

3B8, MAURITIUS. Alex, IW5ELA, will be active as 3B8/IW5ELA from hotel "Le Cannonier" between September 6-12th. Alex is part of a honeymoon trip with his wife Michela that will take him through Corsica, Mongolia, Finland and now Africa, so activity will be holiday style on the bands 20/17/15/12 meters using CW and SSB. He will use a FT857 with 100w into a vertical and operate mainly CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Visit his special Web page at:
http//: honeymoonafrica2012.jimdo.com

5R, MADAGASCAR (IOTA Op!). Moise, F4EZG, will once again be active as 5R8VE, but this time from Nosy Alanana (AF-090) in the Tamatave region between September 1-3rd. Activity will only be on 20 and 15 meters. QSL via F4EZG.

9A, CROATIA. Zik, DK8ZZ/VE3ZIK/YT3ZZ, will be once again be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Croatia between June 24th and August 18th. This time he will be focused on 6m, WFF and IOCA (Island of Croatia Award) activity. Prior to RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th), he will be active from Zirje Island (EU-170 & CI-151). QSL via DK8ZZ, by the Bureau or LoTW.

9H, MALTA. Ignacio, EA2BD, will be active as 9H3BD until July 30th. Activity will be QRP on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

9M, SPRATLY ISLANDS. Operators John/9M6XRO and Steve/9M6DXX will be active as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) between August 7-13th. Activity will be on all bands from 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, using two stations with linear amplifiers to vertical antennas on the edge of the ocean. Spratly Islands are ranked 29th in the current The DX Magazine ‘100 Most Needed Countries’ survey

(world-wide, mixed modes), up from number 32 last year. The QSL Manager for 9M4SLL is Tim Beaumont, M0URX. QSL direct with SAE + 2 USDs or 1 new IRC, OQRS (see <http://m0urx.com/oqrs>) or via the RSGB bureau (all bureau cards MUST be marked "via M0URX"). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the operation (within a few days), but there will be NO online log during the DXpedition itself. If you are not certain of any QSO you are welcome to work them again for an 'insurance' contact. 9M6XRO and 9M6DXX would like to thank the Malaysian Prime Minister's Department National Security Council for granting the operating permission from Layang-Layang Island. They would also like to thank Amid Drajak, 9W6ABD, of the MCMC licensing office in Kota Kinabalu for issuing the 9M4SLL licence, as well as the President of the Borneo Amateur Radio Club, Hamid, 9W6MID, and Rahim, 9M6RHM, for their help in obtaining the licence. Pekka, OH2YY, was of great help with the initial planning of the trip. Finally, thanks go to Vicky Lee of the Layang Layang Island Resort for her help in making this operation possible. (Note for users of computer logging programs: The 9M4 prefix is issued to special event stations that may be anywhere on Malaysian territory; this includes the DXCC entities of West Malaysia, East Malaysia or, as in this case, Malaysian islands in the Spratly group.)

A2, BOTSWANA. Arnold, WB6OJB, will be active as A25JB from Botswana between July 24-31st. Activity will be on HF bands, 40-10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. QSL direct to his home callsign.

CG3, CANADA (Special Event). Members of the Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club (NPARC, VE3VM) will be active as CG3B until the end of the month of July. Activity is to celebrate the 200th Bi-Centennial of Friendship between Canada and the United States of America. Operations has been on 80-6 meters, CW, SSB and the satellites. Frequencies are available on QRZ.com. QSL Manager is VE3FOI. All contacts will receive QSL via Bureau system.

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. German operators from the RRDXA will be active once again as CR3L during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Multi-? entry. This team has won the 2009, 2010 and 2011 competition from their QTH in Santana (Northern part of the island). The crew is still looking for one or more good contest operators on this mode. The length of stay on Madeira is one week. Communication: English and German languages. If interested please contact Hans, DL1YFF at: dl1yff@gmx.de
More information is available on Han's Web page at: http://www.dl1yff.de
Also info on the Crew's Web site at: http://www.CR3L.de
QSL via DJ6QT. Operators will probably be active as CT9/homecall before and after the contest.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (Update). The CY9M St. Paul Island DXpedition is expected to be active this week between July 26th and August 1st. The team of five operators will have six Elecraft K3 transceivers, four amplifiers, three Hex Beams and a number of other antennas. They will be active on all bands between 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 1826.5, 3526, 7026, 10106, 14026, 18076, 21026, 24896 and 28026 kHz
SSB - 3793, 7185, 14215, 18160, 21295, 24950 and 28485 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10145, 18105, 21090, 24925 and 28090 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50105/SSB
All contacts will be verified via LoTW after their activity, and for those who want paper QSLs, Tim Beaumont, M0URX, will be the QSL Manager. The log will be available through ClubLog.

The following was posted on their Web page Wednesday, July 18th: "With under week to go before the CY9M team leave their respective homes for the journey to St. Paul Island, we are happy to report all radio equipment has arrived safely to Nova Scotia and now in secure storage. Additional items such as generators will be collected as we travel to Bay St Lawrence, NS. QRV date of July 26th is unchanged. Look for some of the team to sign VE1/home call on July 25th. See you in the pileups!"

PRESS RELEASE #4 (Dated July 20th) - RSGB IOTA Contest Participation (July 28-29th): "The CY9M team will participate in the IOTA contest next weekend giving both DXCC and IOTA hunters the chance to confirm NA-094.
Our contest operation will be limited to 20 meters only – please do not ask for a contest exchange on other bands.
We will operate both SSB and CW modes throughout the contest.
The contest log will be merged with the regular DX operation, so there is no need to work us twice. Your contest contact will be valid for DXCC.
The CY9M QSL card will be used for confirmation and the log will be uploaded to LoTW. Contest log will be submitted to the RSGB IOTA Committee.
CY9M St Paul Island Expedition starts next week, visit our website at <www.cy9m.com>. If you like to help out, please go to <www.cy9m.com/donor>."

TOPBAND NEWS - CY9M on Topband next week. Bj–rn, SM0MDG/SE0X, posted the following on the TopBand Mailing List on July 21st [edited]: "Greetings,
This Tuesday I am boarding my flight with destination Halifax, Nova Scotia, to be part of the 10 man team going to CY9 St Paul Island this week. I have gotten several requests from my Topband friends, so I thought I'd hand out some brief information about our operation here.
CY9M will be active on Topband during the few dark hours we have available to us. We will use a top loaded vertical based on the 18 meter Spiderbeam pole with elevated radials.
Depending on WX, we have zoomed in on two possible landing sites, one where we will have more space for antennas (Atlantic Cove) and the other will have less space but better takeoff in more directions (North Island).
For, RX we have prepared both for pennants and beverages and will use what possible depending on location. We will use K3 radios and Acom 1011 amplifiers and DXE RX preamps.
A special thanks to the topbanders who contributed to offset our costs, including the support from TBDXC to help offset the costs for shipping an Acom amplifier to be used for topband.
Main operators on topband will be N2WB/"Wild Bill", AB5EB/Mike and me

(SM0MDG/Bj&#65533;rn).
Our activity on Topband will most likely commence in the evening of
August 26, and we are schedule to leave St Paul August 1st, so the last
night will be July 31st. And as always, dates and times are dependent on
weather and sea conditions.
Also worth mentioning is that we will have a dedicated 6 meter station
with main operator VE3EN, "Solarham" Kevin."

Remember, the following media pages are available for this operation at:
Website: http://www.cy9m.com/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/#!/CY9M
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/CY9M.2012

D6, COMOROS (Update to OPDX.1067/Web Page Change). It was announced this
past week that the D64K DXpedition to Ngazidja (Grande Comore), Comoros
Islands (IOTA AF-007), which will be active between August 8-20th, has
changed their Web page. The following was sent out: "Due to continuing
problems with our web platform, we decided to migrate to a new system.
Our new web address is: http://www.d64k.net
The old .com website will no longer be updated, and every post will be
published only on the new site. For real-time news, our twitter account
remains unchanged: @d64k
If you need to contact us, our E-mail support is: support@d64k.net
We apologize in advance for any confusion that will be created, and we
thank you for understanding.....Cu on the air!"

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting
their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them
(possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2010 - 3B8/IZ4AKS & 3B9/IZ4AKS DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;MCCZu_V3Y
2008 - TX5C Clipperton Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;SaZTkDYIQ (Part 1)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;Fd65zZwwo (Part 2)
2002 - K1B Baker Island: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;jAMvTwA4E
1990 - 1S0XV Spratly Island (w/Romeo, UB5JRR):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;A6_5lf08w

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to
have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish
it.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS (Cancelled/Rescheduled). Luis, EA8AY, has cancelled
his activity as EF8X from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA
1276, EAA TF) during the RSGB IOTA Contest. He has been invited to go with
a Multi-Op station in other island. However, Luis has announced that he
will be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-
Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W2GR.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Manuel/EA8ZS, Marino/EA8DP, Jesus/EA8RY,
Tony/EA8AKN, Domingo/EA8CST, Severo/EA8NL, Dunia/EA8MT (YL), Felipe/NP4Z
and Luis/EA8AY will be active as EF8U from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004)

during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via EA8URL. Visit: http://www.ea8url.com

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. Tsuyoshi, JJ2NYT, will be active as FK/JJ2NYT from Grande Terre (OC-032) between July 29th and August 2nd. Activity will be active on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

IOTA (EUROPEAN) ACTIVATION. Operator Giacomo "JACK", IZ3DBA, will be on a holiday style IOTA DXpedition to activate some islands from Sardinia and the Island of Corsica between July 22nd and August 17th. Here is his tentative schedule:
July 22-28th - La Maddalena Island (EU-041); callsign IM0/IZ3DBA
July 30th-August 5th - San Pietro Island (EU-165); callsign IM0/IZ3DBA
August 7-12th - Corsica Island (EU-014); callsign TK0/IZ3DBA
August 13-17th - Sardinia Island (EU-024); callsign IS0/IZ3DBA; Activity for WAIP AWARD - new province Ogliastra (OG), Medio-Campidano (MC) and Carbonia-Iglesias (CI).
His activity will be 80% on CW and 20% on SSB (NO DIGITAL MODE) using an ICOM IC-7400 w/100w into a vertical antenna HM (by Ampelio/IK3JBP).
QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct, eQSL and LoTW. See QRZ.com for details.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-006. Paul, R2AD/W8AY, will be active as VR2/W8AY from Lamma Island, Hong Kong, between July 28-30th. Activity will be active on 80-10 meters using the CW and SSB modes, and a TS-480 into a GP antennas. He will be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL via R2AD, direct or by the Bureau.

AS-099. Berkin, TA3J, will be active as TA3J/0 from Yassica Adasi (Yassica Island, WW Loc. KM38KJ) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/DXpedition/SSB-Mode/12HRS/Low-Power entry. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters. QSL via the TA3J QSL Service at:
<http://www.aydogmus.gen.tr/ta3j/qslservice.htm>, direct (only SASE and 1 IRC, no green stamps please) or by the Bureau. No eQSL. SWL QSL cards are OK. Twitter: @TA3J

AS-105. Operators Sungki/HL1IWD, Aves/DS2AGH, Harry/WX8C and Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX will be active as DS0DX/2 from Kanghwa Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Multii-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via HL1IWD.

AS-105. Kim "Tai", DS2NMJ, will be active as DS2NMJ/2 from Yonghung Island between August 12-13th. Activity will only be on 15 and 12 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau; if possible, you want to use direct.

EU-004. Andrea, IZ2LSC, will be active as EA6/IZ2LSC from Menorca Island (WLOTA 2988, EAFF-061) between July 24-30th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF band 30-6 meters using CW,

SSB and the Digital modes. He will take part in the RSG IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). QSL vis his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct and LoTW. His logbook page is at:
http://www.timpy.it/ea6
To receive updates and news, follow him on twitter: @iz2lsc

EU-008. Members of the Cockenzie and Port Seton Amateur Radio Club (CPSARC) will once again operate from the Isle of Tiree (IOSA NH04, WAB NM04), the most westernly part of Scotland's Inner Hebridean Islands, during the RSGB IOTA (Islands on the Air) Contest which runs from 1200z, July 28th to 1200z, July 29th, using the club's special contest callsign GM2T. Look for pre-contest activity by the members signing as MM0CPS/P. This year's team consists of: Cambell/MM0DXC, Bob/GM4UYZ, John/ MM0JXI, Brian/M0RNR, Gary/MM0FZV, Cephas/ MM0INS, Robin/MM0VTV, MM0VPR, Geoff/MM5AHO, Steve/MM0GZA, Ellis/GM4GZW, Bob/GM4IKT, Brian/G3UJE. QSL GM2T via the Bureau, or their QSL Manager GM4UYZ, by the Bureau or direct. Also use LoTW and eQSL. Details are available at:
http://www.qrz.com/gm2t
For details about CPSARC, visit their revamped Web site at:
http://www.cpsarc.com
ADDED NOTE: This is the club's 14th anniversary on the island, and the team would like to express their gratitude to all the islanders who have looked after them over the years, but in particular to Elaine Hutchinson of Elephants End Restaurant (www.elephantsend.com) for her unrivalled support and hospitality over the last 14 years.

EU-030. Carten, OZ4CG, will be active from Bornholm Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-054. Sal, IT9BXR, will once again be active as IF9/IT9BXR from Favignana Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/24HRS/Low-Power entry. QSL via IT9BXR.

EU-073. Members of the IJ7A DX-Contest Group are pleased to announce their DXpedition to St. Peter Island, in the Cheradi Group, between July 26-29th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. The team is composed of the following operators: Gianni/I7PHH, Davide/ IK4DCT, Vin/IK7IMO, Art/IK7JWY, Piero/IK7VJX, Roby/IK7XIV, Bartolo/IW7ECA and Luigi/IZ7PDX. QSL via IK7XIV. See their contest Web site for more details at <http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?fh>, or follow them on Twitter: @ik7imo_ij7a

EU-096. A group of operators will be active as OH10TA from Kustavi Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power entry. Preparations are been done and antennas are being tested for the activation. They will also have

equipment for 6m. Locator is KP00PN. Kustavi Island is approx.
70km northwest from Turku City. QSL via OH1MN.

EU-096. Riku, OH2CI, will be active as OH2CI/P from Kustavi Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/
CW-Mode/Low-Power entry.

EU-110. Operators Silvo/S50X, Krajcar/S52P, Vinko/S53F, Drgan/S55Z and
Franc/S56UGB will be active as 9A8ZRS from Sveti Ivan Island
(CI112) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-
Single entry. The group will be on the island between July
24-30th, using 2 stations on HF and possibly 6/2m as well.
QSL via S57L. QSL will be sent automatically by the Bureau.

EU-124. Members of the Dragon Amateur Radio Club will be active as
GW4TTA/p from Holy Island (Anglesey) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Island entry. Operators
mentioned are Stewart/GW0ETF, John/GW3VVC, John/MW0BER and
possibly others. The team will use simple wires/verticals.
QSL via GW4TTA by the Bureau or LoTW.

EU-125. Operators Gaby/DF9TM and Frank/DL2SWW will be active as
OZ/homecall from R&#65533;m&#65533; Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/12HRS/High-Power entries.
DF9TM will operate on SSB and DL2SWW will be on CW. QSL
via their home callsigns by the Bureau.

EU-129. A German group will be active as DM3X/p from Goermitz Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op
entry. QSL via the Bureau.

EU-136. Kordic, 9A4KJ, will be active as 9A4KJ/p from Rab Island in
the Kvarner IOTA group during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
28-29th) as a Single-Op/Mix-Mode/12HRS/Low-Power entry. He
is expected to be on the island between July 26-29th. Activity
will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using a Kenwood TS 140S into
a vertical, Inverted Vs and dipoles. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-140. Members of the OH5AD group and possibly others will be active
as OG5A from Kuorsalo Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via OH5AD.

EU-146. Operator Ron, ON6CQ, will be active as PA/ON6CQ from Schouwen
Duiveland, Netherlands, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
28-29th) as a Single-Op/SSB entry. QSL via ON6CQ, by the Bureau
(preferred) or LoTW.

EU-170. Operators Alen/9A3MA, Ivo/9A1AA, Zlatko/9A2EU, Rolando/9A3MR,
Rax/9A3BMR and Zik DK8ZZ/VE3ZIK/YT3ZZ will be once again be
active from Zirje Island (CI-151) but as 9A0D (first time using
this call) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a
Multi-Op/Single-TX/DXPN/Low-Power entry. All QSOs will be
automatically confirmed via the Bureau. However, if you need

a direct QSL, please send it to DK8ZZ.

EU-170. A Hungarian team will go to Pasman Island (CI-085), Croatia,
this year again. The team will be active between July 24-31th,
from two villages - Tkon (JN73RW) and Kranj (JN73QW). Activity
will be on the HF bands and 6m, using CW, SSB and the Digital
modes. They will take part in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
28-29th) too. Look for the following operators (w/QSL routes):
9A/HA7PL Operator Laci; via Bureau or direct
9A/HA6NL Operator Laci; eQSL, by the Bureau or direct
9A/HA6PS Operator Zsolt; via Bureau or direct
9A/HA6PJ Operator Jani; eQSL, by the Bureau or direct
9A/HA7JJS - Operator Sanyi; by the Bureau or direct

EU-172. Henning, OZ1BII, will be active as OU2I from Aro Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/
Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-174. Laci, HA0NAR, will be active as SW8LR from Thassos Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/
CW-Mode entry. He will be on the island between July 25th
and August 1st. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-177. Matthias, DL3KUD, will be active as SM5/DL3KUD from K ttil
Island between July 27-29th. Activity will include the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/24HRS/
Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-178. Juri, ES5GP, will be active as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island
between July 25-30th. His activity will include the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 28-29th) on all HF bands on SSB. QSL via his
home callsign.

EU-181. Operators Stan/LZ1GC, Dechko/LZ1QV, Boyko/LZ1QN, Boris/LZ2JR,
Nasko/LZ3YY, Lliam/LZ1CNN and possibly others will be active
as LZ0I from Sveti Ivan Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/DX/High-Power entry. QSL via
LZ0I (by the QRZ.com address) or by the Bureau to LZ1BJ.

NA-010. Alan, VE1AL, will be active from Cape Breton Island during
the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/
Low-Power entry. QSL via VE1AL.

NA-081. Operators John/VE1CDD, Barry/VE1TRI, Alan/VA1MM, Fraser/VE1WO,
Sheldon/VE1GPY and Greg/VY2MP will be active as VC1X from
Little Tancook Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Mixed-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via
VE1CDD.

NA-091. Rob, VE7RSV, will once again be active as VE7RSV/P from
Broughton Island (CISA BC-026), located in the Broughton
Archipeligo just east of Port McNeil towards the Mainland,
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/

SSB-Mode/24HRS/Low-Power entry. He usually uses a FT-857
with a G5RV antenna about 35 feet high. He prefers to QSL
direct or by the Bureau.

NA-137. Several members of the Long Island DX Society will be active
as N1LI from Long Island, ME, during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via N1LI.

NA-148. Scott, NE1RD, will be active as NE1RD/1 from Lovell Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/
SSB-Mode/24HRS entry. QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 23-29th)....
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP4, PUERTO RICO (Special Event). Members of the Movimiento Radioaficionados
de Puerto Rico will celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution of
Puerto Rico with the special event callsign K4C on July 25th, from the
Julio Enrique Monagas National Park in Bayamon. They will operate from
10 to 40 meters SSB and their local net of repeaters from 1400z on. QSL
info is via WP4NPC.

M0, ENGLAND. Phil, G3SWH, will activate the special callsign M0RSE on CW
only on all bands over the weekend of 18th and 19th August, 2012. All QSOs
will be uploaded to LoTW immediately after the weekend. There will also be
an on-line log at <www.g3swh.org.uk/m0rse.html>. Special QSLs are available
via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility at <www.g3swh.org.uk/decision.html>
(bureau or direct) or direct with SAE and adequate return postage or even
via the traditional bureau route.

NH8, SWAINS ISLAND (Press Release). The following press release was sent
out on July 16th [edited]: "Swains press release # 2 -- Craig/K9CT and
Joe/W8GEX are happy to report that preparations for the NH8S Swains
Island DXpedition are on schedule. The 20 man international team should
be on the island from September 4th, thru September 17th. Swains is # 31
most wanted worldwide. They will operate all bands with SSB, CW and RTTY.
A big thank you goes to John/N7CQQ and Paul/W8AEF for their time in
building and testing the SVDA's that will be used. Thanks also to Paul/W6XA
and Tom/N4XP for testing the radios, amps and laptops. All of the equipment

has been shipped to Arnie/N6HC in California for the upcoming departure via cargo ship later this week.
The QSLing will be handled by Joe/AA4NN with help from his XYL Margarett. Plans are to upload logs daily by satellite phone from the island to Clublog.
We are very grateful to our equipment sponsors, including: ICOM, Elecraft, VIbroplex, Innovantennas, DX Engineering, Heil Sound, Primus, Hi-Z Antennas, and The RF Connection. Also to Kimo, KH7U, for the 160m vertical, and George, W8UVZ, for the Battle Creek Special.
We have updated our Web site with pictures, operating information and links. Thanks to John, K6MM, for doing the webmaster duties.
There will be a great emphasis placed in working Europe where Swains is most needed. We will have several receiving antennas aimed that direction.
It will be very hot and humid, and mosquitoes should be plentiful, so please have patience with the operators. We ask that you listen to the operator instructions to ensure we are able to work as many stations as possible.
This tent and generator operation is a very expensive endeavor, and the group is most grateful for the foundations, clubs and individuals who have already contributed. For those that would like to donate, you may do so from our Web site at: http://www.nh8s.org
The skilled international crew that is looking forward to working you includes: 9V1FJ, AA4NN, DJ2VO, DL3DXX, K5AB, K9CS, K9CT, K9NW, KB8OCP, N2TU, N4HH, N6HC, NA6M, ND2T, SM5AQD, W4BUW, W6KK, W8GEX, W8TN and WB9Z."

ON85, BELGIUM (Special Event). Eric, ON4LN, President RCL, informs that the members of the Radio Club Leuven (RCL) will celebrate their 85th anniversary this year. They will be active using the special callsign ON85RCL from their RCL club shack and proudly. Activity begun on July 1st and will last until December 31st. Operations will be on all bands (6m if condx) and on various modes. For more info, see QRZ.com under ON85RCL or ON4CP.

OZ12, DENMARK (Special Event). In connection with the largest Scout and Guide Jamboree ever held in Denmark, a special event station with the callsign OZ12SJ will be - very - active during the period between July 21-29th from Holstebro. Five "Jamboree On The Air" stations will be active on all bands. The activity includes many different JOTA activities within Amateur Radio and is supported by EDR, Eksperimenterende Danske Radioamat&#65533;rer, and members will be helping to activate and demonstrate the hobby to the Scouts. The activity also includes a license course and the option of actually taking a license test on site. The callsign is expected to be active in the DMC RTTY Contest, CQWW VHF Contest and the RSGB IOTA Contest QSL via the Bureau.

PT0. ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update/Funds Needed). George, AA7JV, informs that his TX3A partner, Tomi, HA7RY, and himself have teamed up with the Brazilian Aruacaria group to activate St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks under the callsign PT0S. As you may know, the Brazilian Navy has placed a permanent ban on DXpeditions to the rocks. Due to the efforts

of Atilano, PY5EG, the Brazilian Navy made an exception and has given them permission to operate from the Rocks. This is a "once in a lifetime" opportunity to both activate the place and to prove to the navy that Amateur Radio is not incompatible with the operation of the scientific mission there. Although there have been some small operations from this entity, it remains high on the most wanted list because conditions on the rocks are tough and a lack of level space precludes a large and traditionally equipped operation. PY0S is No. 16 on Clublog's most wanted list. George mentions that although they will work all the HF bands, they do have a low band focus. This time they would like to take things one step further and make PY0S easily available on all bands to small and midsize stations (as well as the big ones). They intend to achieve that even on 160 meters. The need for large antennas for serious DX on 160m has discouraged many small urban amateurs from getting on that band, where they feel they can not compete with the big guns in the pile-ups. The proximity of PY0S to NA (and EU) creates a unique opportunity to activate a rare location that could be worked by modest stations from NA and Europe. They intend to make sure that this possibility is fulfilled. This will likely create a new level of excitement and increased activity on 160 meters. They have also developed a new beam antenna that will allow them to work very modest stations on 20, 15 and 10 meters. Additionally, led by PY5CC and PY2XB, they will also make a serious 6 meter effort. George states, "This will be a tough and costly mission for us. We will have to have a minimal environmental foot-print, while we want to make sure that we give this rare entity to as many hams as possible in the relatively short time frame available. We want to do our best, as we know that there may not be another DXpedition to this place for a long time. The team is looking for financial assistance for this very crucial DX-pedition. In the past, Tomi and George have covered all expense (less donations received) and used their own gear. They did not mind roughing it on some remote island without much support (and on the cheap). This time, however, they are working against serious obstacles that are proving to be costly to overcome. They can not fund this operation themselves. They hope that clubs/associations/individuals would be able to help them. They most certainly promise to work hard to make the entire HF DX com-munity, happy. Please remember that this DXpedition will take place in the late November to mid December 2012 time frame. The actual dates will depend on weather conditions and will be announced later on their Web site. An "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) will be set up on their Web site for both direct or Bureau QSLs. For direct cards via the mail, QSL via HA7RY (read details on the Web page). The log will be uploaded on LoTW, generally within 36 hours of the QSO taking place. For further information, please visit: http://pt0s.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 22nd)

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3Z5W via SP5KP EA9/EC7DZZ via EC7DZZ GO6BDV via G6BDV
3Z15POWODZ via SQ6PLH ED8ZAA via EA8RCK GO6NHU via G6NHU

4O/UA3RF via UA3RF EG5MDC via EA5DD IJ7T via IK7WDS
9H1AB via 9H1MRL EO73U via UT7UU PA/F6BFH/P via F6BFH
AM5CS via EB5CS GO0GMN via GM0GMN SV8/SV1MNF via
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AM5DZC via EB5DZC GO3RFX via G3RFX TK/DL1RTL via DL1RTL
CQ73I via CT1EHX GO3SVK via G3SVK UE95K via RV3YR
CR6K via CT1ILT (d) GO3UOF via GW3UOF UK8OAG via 4Z5OG
D2QR via RW6HS (d) GO4RCG via M0OXO VP2MSJ via W5JAY
EA6/IW2NEF via IW2NEF GO4ZOY via G4ZOY
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

QSL CO8ZZ via DK1WI. Raul, CO8ZZ, was active this past weekend during the CQWW VHF Contest on 2 and 6 meters.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4Z5MU, 7O6T, 9A2UZ, 9M0L, AK4AT, BD4GNV, CO7WT, CT12EEK, DJ9UN, DL0CS, F6OWT, FP/KV1J, FR/F6KDF/T, HK0/N0STL, KL7AA, KP2MM, KP4RV, LZ7HQ, M0TRN, MJ0CFW, OZ1HDF, PJ7PT, PP5EG, PS2T, PY1VOY, RA7A, RI1ANF, RV3ACA, RV4CT, S50U, UA3DPM, UY2UQ, V31WW, VE1RGB, VE7IO, VE9HF, VK7ZX and WH7Z

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2AM (1990 Conway Reef; via YASME), 3D2YA, 4Z5MU, 6O0CW, 9L0W, 9M2AX, A5A, E51M, F4BKV/p, FK8CE, FK8DD, FP/NM7N, HS0ZIN, JR7ISY/JD1, KH2Y/KP1 (1993 Navassa; via OE1ZKC), LZ1JZ, MD/EB1BSV/p, OH6MM, OY1CT, TO3X, TX1B, V31IZ, VP9I, VR2XMT, XX9E and ZA1G

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 8J1RL, BV2A, BV100, E51YNB, FJ/OS1T, HB0/SP7VC, OH0/SP7VC, PJ4C, T32JB, VK100WIA and YB9/F4BKV

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Stefan, DL4ST, will be active as T6SS from from Mazar-e-Sharif until end of September. Activity will be a on the HF bands, but so far it has been mainly on 20 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

TP8, FRANCE. The "Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club" (CERAC - TP2CE) will be active as TP8CE during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Operations will take place before the contest, starting July 27th, and are usually on all HF bands and modes, possibly the satellites. QSL via F5LGF. An online log search will be available at: http://www.tp2ce.eu

V6, MICRONESIA. Haru, JA1XGI will be active as V63XG from Yap Island (OC-012) between December 5-12th. Activity will probably be on 20-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. Look for updates and details at: http://ja1xgidxvacation.blogspot.com

V8, BRUNEI (Ops Needed). Gabriele Villa, I2VGW, team leader of the next DXpedition to Brunei, announced that they are looking for some CW operators for the upcoming V84SMD DXPedition, November 11-23rd. If interested, please contact by E-mail to Gabriele at: gabrielei2vgw@gmail.com

VP2V, BRITISH VIGRIN ISLANDS. Steven, AA7V, will once again be active as VP2V/homecall from Virgin Gorda (Tortola) between September 26th and October 1st. QSL via AA7V.

WILL KOSOVO BE OUR NEXT DXCC COUNTRY? Several sources are reporting that Kosovo, former province of Serbia, shall receive its full sovereignty in September, almost four and a half years after obtaining its independence. Stay tuned!

XP, GREENLAND. Henning, OZ1BII/OU2I, will be active as XP2I from club station XP1AB in Kangerlussuaq between September 13-17th. Activity will be CW only. QSL via his home callsign.

YB67, INDONESIA (Special Event). Look for members of the YB Land DX Club (YBDXC) to activate special event station YB67RI between 0000z August 10th and 2400z August 17th. Activity is to celebrate the 67th anniversary of the independence of Indonesia. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via YB2DX direct or LoTW only. NO YB Bureau cards.

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:

Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>

Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:

http://www.nodxa.org

http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:

1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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1313. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 22nd July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 20:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120722200003.9586633C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2480
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 22nd July 2012

ARISS Contact from Dublin

ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) offers an opportunity for students to experience the excitement of Amateur Radio by talking directly with crewmembers onboard the International Space Station. Teachers, parents and communities see, first hand, how Amateur Radio and crewmembers on ISS can energize youngsters' interest in science, technology and learning.

The European Space Agency has locations in several European countries. The annual summer space camp is an occasion when the children of staff employed at ESA get a chance to mix with each other in an environment which allows them to be immersed in space activities and cultural events. This year the 160 ESA campers will be in Dublin and the camp will feature an ARISS contact

The space talk will be a telebridge contact, facilitated by IRTS through the amateur radio ground station operated by W6SRJ, located in Santa Rosa, California.

The contact will also be broadcast on EchoLink AMSAT (node 101 377) and JK1ZRW (node 277 208) Conference servers, as well as on IRLP Discovery Reflector 9010.The event takes places today Sunday 22nd July at approximately 17.25UTC.

ARISS on Dundalk ARS Echolink Nodes

The ARISS contact will be transmitted via Dundalk Amateur Radio Society's two Echolink nodes EI2MOG (145.2125Mhz) and EI4FMG (70.350Mhz) live during the contact. If you are not within RF range of these nodes you may still listen to a live audio stream which is available via the Internet at www.ei7dar.com/ei2mog.html

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

Congratulations to Dennis Drennan from South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on recently passing the theory examination and receiving his

licence. Dennis is now on the air from his home QTH in Kilkenny with the call-sign, EI2HSB.

SEARG Theory Classes are continuing every Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the Roanmore Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford.

The next general meeting of SEARG will take place in the Roanmore Centre, Waterford at 8:30 p.m. on Monday the 30th of July - all are welcome to attend. Please note, this meeting is preceded by a committee meeting at 8 p.m. For latest information on the club, visit www.searg.com - you can also join the SEARG group on Facebook or follow the latest news from the club on Twitter.

IOTA Contest

The aim of the IOTA contest is to promote contacts between stations in qualifying IOTA island groups and the rest of the world and to encourage expeditions to IOTA islands. The contest happens 1200UTC Saturday 28th July to 1200UTC Sunday 29th July 2012 (the contest always takes place over the last FULL weekend of July).

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society EI7DAR

Radio theory classes will commence in the autumn. Anyone interested please email info at ei7dar dot com, leaving your name and contact details.

DX News

Ludo HB9EOU and Andre HB9CVC will be on the island of St Barthelemy from 22 July until 4 August. They will use the callsign TO2D. The IOTA reference is NA-146.

A multi-national team will be QRV from St Paul Island off the coast of Canada from 26 July until 1 August. St Paul Island is a separate entity for the DXCC Award and the callsign to be used is CY9M. They will be active on all bands 160 - 6m and the QSL Manager is M0URX.

Two Croatian amateurs are with the NATO-led troops in Afghanistan. They are Maj 9A7TJ and Vlado 9A3QM and can now be heard as T6TJ and T6VT respectively until the end of September. QSLs for both operators go via 9A6AA.

To celebrate their country winning the recent EURO-2012 Championship Spanish stations may use special prefixes until 31 July. EA stations may use the prefix AO, EB stations may use AM and EC stations may use AN.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to

both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1314. eHam.net News for Sunday 22 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-22 22:43:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed66a66e04c572dc0b@google.com>
Source record: 2481
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hobby Histories Offers Facts and Fun at Troy Historic Village:

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 05:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28657

Have you ever wondered how model ship-builders put so much detail into their work, why amateur radio operators are called "Hams" or what makes railroad switches switch? Come to a History of Hobbies night and find out.

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Amateurs Assist Local Police, Fire:

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 05:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28656

Being a member of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, or ARES, is about helping out wherever and whenever we are needed. To keep in practice, the Wood County Amateur Radio Emergency Service had 14 members support the Wisconsin Rapids police and fire departments during the Independence Day celebration in downtown Wisconsin Rapids. Even though it was uncomfortably hot and humid, operators were out to help find lost family members or phones. Hams were on the lookout for anyone who needed medical attention or to help spot trouble of any other sort. The police and ARES worked closely. The control station for ARES was manned by Ken Snyder, ARES emergency coordinator for Wood County. Sitting across from him was a Wood County dispatcher. When an amateur reported a problem, it quickly was relayed so that officers could arrive before an incident could have a chance to become a real problem. "The communication and information helps those making decisions make the right decisions," said Wisconsin Rapids firefighter Justin Pluess, regarding the ARES team being right there in the command center. "I see the radio operators as a valuable resource in the event of a natural disaster or any large scale incident.

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Amateurlogic Ep 41 Released:

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 05:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28655

Field Day 2012 with the Jackson Amateur Radio Club, New Studio Tour, N4PY Software review, Raspberry Pi Media Player and more\&

1315. BEST 10 HOT SEXY VIDEOS AND MASALA KISS PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 02:00:01 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21Ikikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <702d1610-aa9b-4a3a-bfdf-5cff310da229@m2g2000pbv.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2482

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

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mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-games-free-download.html

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in/2010/08/mobile-ringtones-free-download.html

1316. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 22 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 02:36:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ff571830b04c5761b7e@google.com>
Source record: 2483
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham senses quakes, draws scientists - The Asian Age

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEorPqFAp7Ds8KbMV0iCrCmkRmuuQ&url=http://www.asianage.com/kochi/ham-senses-quakes-draws-scientists-839

Ham senses quakes, draws scientists
The Asian Age
scientists.jpg.crop_display.jpg. His physical disabilities stand apart when this ham radio enthusiast makes calculations and predictions about earthquakes somewhat accurately – and the scientists at the premier Centre for Earth Science Studies are ...

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Radio Amateurs can contribute to creating a knowledge economy - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 01:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFiU7ifHx1SwdPfkyu4C1mfqcViaQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/creating_a_knowledge_economy.htm

Radio Amateurs can contribute to creating a knowledge economy
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur radio is blessed with a large slice of the radio spectrum, much larger than what many believe the amateur radio service should have. But balanced against this is that radio amateurs have a history of pioneering new developments. "Exposure to ...

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Learning The In's And Out's Of Ham Radios - KMVT

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 10:18 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG6hTHlT8bHnPkL9jiLGtXnYpw6dw&url=http://www.kmvt.com/news/local/Learning-The-Ins-And-Outs-Of-Ham-Radios-163319496.html

KMVT
Learning The Ins And Outs Of Ham Radios
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The event took place at Loong Hing restaurant in Twin Falls. Klaas says the interest in these amateur radios is growing as there are more than 700000 owners in this country alone. He adds theyre great for meeting new friends,

of course staying ...

1317. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 23 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 06:10:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba2124b106da2004c5791bc1@google.com>
Source record: 2484
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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WCARS Hamfest

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 06:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354835-WCARS-Hamfest&goto=newpost

The WCARS Hamfest will be Saturday July 28 at the Haywood County Fairgrounds in Waynesville, NC. You can go to www.wcars.org for info. On the left side of the site there is a link about the Hamfest.

1318. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 23 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 11:10:36 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2354852fcd9004c57d4b2a@google.com>
Source record: 2485
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Women in Engineering @ Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OpOZ65RZHY4/ariss_event_2307.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Women in Engineering @ Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY on 23 July

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AmateurLogic.TV 41: Live From The Man Cave

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NgypgI2aKVQ/amateur_logic_tv_41.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Live From The Man Cave (George’s new studio). Field Day 2012 with the Jackson Amateur Radio Club, New Studio Tour, N4PY Software review, Raspberry Pi Media Player and more…

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UK Olympics special event operations commence this week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/p5OavANaiUY/uk_olympics_special_events_satellite_operations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With the 'London 2012 Olympics' official opening taking place this week, this is a reminder of the previously posted information about the 'Amateur Radio Flagship Event Stations' that will be operating beginning Wednesday July 25 until the Games close on September 9

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F-1 CubeSat on its way to ISS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9zxsWIUhYMM/f1_cubesat_on_its_way_to_iss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio F-1 CubeSat, built by the FSpace team of young engineers and students at the FPT University, is on its journey to the International Space Station (ISS)

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aj83ZcyNVlU/july_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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IOTA Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f4akrYc-p5k/iota_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The contest happens 1200UTC Saturday 28th July to 1200UTC Sunday 29th July
2012. The IOTA contest always takes place over the last full weekend of July

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/btO1V_juYIc/dxcc_report_2307.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th
July, through Sunday, 22nd July there were 209 countries active

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144 MHz Aurora videos

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wGfjVQMD0fA/144_mhz_aurora_videos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David Bowen 2W0ZJA, in grid square IO81gx, has made available two videos
showing 144 MHz during the Aurora on July 15

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/puxN4NB1Jsk/history_23_july.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1319. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 22nd July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 12:00:16 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120723120004.B67E333C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2486
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 22nd July 2012

The news headlines:

* Still time to get your O callsign

* Changes to IOTA Rules

* Latest news on transatlantic 2m beacon

It's not too late for UK amateurs to apply for the special prefix to celebrate the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games. The Notice of Variation application can be found on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/olympics. The special callsigns run until 2359BST on 9 September. The letter O, Oscar, will be added to calls, or replace the regional identifier.

The IOTA Contest takes place on 28 and 29 July and there are some important rules changes for participants. The scoring for Island-World and World-World QSOs has changed, to increase the importance of working island stations. The World Multi-op category has been discontinued. A QSY rule for Island Multi-Op stations has been introduced, because some entrants have been operating with more than one multiplier station. Finally, low power expedition entrants are now allowed to use any antenna. The 2012 rules are on the Contest Committee section of the RSGB website. All operators are asked to please be careful to use contest preferred band segments, as penalties will be applied to stations who do not observe these limits.

Over in the USA, Brian, WA1ZMS, is making the final preparations to ship the GB3WGI 144MHz transatlantic beacon transmitter over to Northern Ireland. Thanks to the kind donation of antenna parts and clamps from G4CQM at Powabeam Antennas, beacon keeper Gordon, GI6ATZ, is in the process of building the antenna system for the beacon, and installing the emergency shutdown system. It is hoped to have the beacon up and running before the year end.

Because of an increase in applications for digital gateways in the 2m band, a number of changes have been proposed to the channels used. A Litmus Test consultation exercise was carried out by the RSGB, and an amended bandplan has now been published on the RSGB website. The opportunity was also taken to correct an error in the 4m bandplan.

Following the success of the QSO party to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the Society is running a similar event to commemorate the Olympics. The object is to work as many special United Kingdom O callsign amateur stations as possible, ie callsigns beginning with GO, MO and 2O. In keeping with the previous style of event, people are asked to log the name of the distant operator. Hopefully, other information will be exchanged also, such as the sender's chosen name, a real signal report, the sender's location and station equipment data. Participation in the Olympic QSO Party is open to licensed radio amateurs in the UK and overseas. Full details are in August's RadCom, on page seven.

An incorrect phone number was printed on page 44 of the August RadCom, in the Transmit-Receive Sequencer article. The correct telephone number is 01234 832 700, not as printed. The editorial team apologises for this error.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 23 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

We have no details of any rallies taking place this weekend.

On 29 July, the Horncastle Summer Rally takes place at the Horncastle Youth Centre, Willow Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50. Tables are £5 and anyone interested should contact Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527 835.

Also on 29 July, the Blind Veterans UK Radio & Computer Rally will take place at St Dunstan's, Ovingdean, Brighton BN2 7BS. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. Tables are £10 and anyone interested should contact Eddie on 01273 300 772.

Now for the news of special events

As a celebration of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, two flagship amateur radio stations will be active during the Games as part of the Cultural Olympiad. The Cray Valley Radio Society is to host England's celebration from the Royal Borough of Greenwich, using 2O12L, that's two Oscar one two Lima. A similar amateur radio celebration is happening in Barry, South Wales, where the callsign will be 2O12W, that's two Oscar one two whisky.

Both teams are looking to make as many contacts as possible throughout the UK, Europe and the world during the Games, particularly with countries participating in the Games. They will be operating 24/7 from Wednesday 25 July until Sunday 9 September, and will be open to the public from Thursday 26 July. The London station will be open from 10am to 4pm and the Welsh station from 10am to 5pm daily. Commemorative QSLs will be available for both stations. For more information about the stations, their locations, operating frequencies and QSL information, check out www.2o12l.com and www.2o12w.com.

South Tyneside Amateur radio club is operating from Marine Walk, Roker, Sunderland for RNLI Harbour Day on Sunday 29 July from 11am to 4pm. Using GB1SLB, operation will be on 10 to 40 metres. Details from Gerard, M3XYP, whose details are correct on QRZ.com.

The 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games Football tournament in Manchester is being marked by two special event stations. GB2012MV will be operated by Warrington Amateur Radio Club from their club shack at Bell House Lane, Grappenhall, Warrington. South Manchester Radio and Computing Club will be operating GB2012MS from Trafford MV Rugby & Cricket Club, Finley Bank, Sale. The stations will be operating on HF, VHF and UHF. Transmissions start on 25 July, the start of the football tournament. They will end on 9 September, the closing ceremony of the Paralympics.

GB2012OSP is planned for operation from Fancy's Family Community Farm on Portland Heights. The station is being organised by Dave Aitch, G1OCN and has free public access and a good view of the sailing events. Details will be on QRZ.com.

South Essex Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB1HF close to the 5km Olympic mountain biking course at Hadleigh Farm in South Essex. The station is located opposite the venue at the bottom of Benfleet Downs and will be operated at various times and days on several bands and modes from 27 July to 28 August.

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The CY9M DXpedition to St Paul Island, IOTA NA-094, will have six transceivers, four amplifiers and a wide range of antennas. They will be on the air from 26 July to 1 August using 160 to 6 metres, SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau, but preferably through his online QSL request service.

Bodo, DF8DX will be active as BW/DF8DX from Taiwan, IOTA AS-020, on 22 to 25 July. He will also be on the air as DU8/DF8DX from Mindanao Island, OC-130, from 26 July to 10 August. QSL via DF8DX, direct or via the bureau.

HB9EOU and HB9CVC will be active as TO2D from St Barthelemy, IOTA NA-146, from 22 July to 4 August. They will operate SSB and RTTY on 40 to 6 metres. QSL via HB9EOU.

VE3DZ and VA2WA will be active as FP/VE3DZ and FP/VA2WA from St. Pierre et Miquelon, NA-032, until 31 July. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY with two stations on 160 to 6 metres. An online QSL request service for bureau and direct cards will be available after the expedition.

Rick, NE8Z will be active again from Ecuador until 31 July. He will be on the air on 40 to 10 metres as HC1MD from Cumbaya using CW and RTTY, HC1MD/HC1 from Mount Cayambe using CW, as HC1MD/HC3 from Loja again using CW only and as HC1MD/HC5 from Cuenca also using CW only. QSL via

K8LJG.

Now the contest news

Today, Sunday 22nd, sees the Low Power Contest taking place. There are two power categories, 10W and 3W, and sections for fixed and portable stations. That makes four categories, and a trophy is awarded to the winner of each. Running from 0900 to 1600UTC on the 3.5 and 7MHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and power.

The 70MHz Trophy Contest also takes place toady, Sunday 22nd. Running from 1000 to 1600UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

On Monday 23 July the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place on 2.3GHz and up from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Tuesday 24 July, from 1900 to 2130UTC, the 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 13th to Thursday the 19th of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 20th of July

The large sunspot group from last week continued to dominate the solar disc until it rotated out of view during the 18th. It produced several M class solar flares and then, on the 19th, produced a long duration M7 solar flare. Solar activity was low on the 13th and the 15th. Solar flux levels declined from 148 units on the 14th to 100 by the 19th. The average was 130 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 19th was 128, that's seven units up on last week. X-ray flux levels peaked at C1 units on the 16th and the 17th but then declined to B5.8 by the 19th. The average was B8.2 units. In last week's report I mentioned the X1 solar flare that took place on the 12th and the associated coronal mass ejection that was heading our way. This arrived during the afternoon of the 14th. Initially, the storm was not too strong but during the early

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 23 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. hours of the 15th activity increased. Bt, the total magnetic strength of the solar wind, was not that high, but what made the disturbance so strong was that the Bz remained southward for over 32 hours. The Ap index on the 15th was 86 units and 40 units on the next day. It was not until the 18th that activity returned to quiet levels. The average was Ap 25 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 320 kilometres per second to 720 by the 14th. Speeds then declined 370 kilometres per second by the end of the period. Particle densities were low at first but increased late on the 14th, peaking at 35 particles per cubic centimetre on the 15th. Bz varied between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus 19 and plus 7 nanoTeslas

during the disturbance. Radio aurora began on the evening of the 14th and continued through to the early hours of the 17th. It peaked during the afternoons of the 15th and 16th, when it reached all parts of the UK. Contacts were reported on 50, 70, 144MHz and there were even one or two reports on 432MHz but not in the UK. However, some night-owls were treated to a rare red visual aurora display as far south as East Anglia. Es continued on 28, 50 and 70, including a strong 70MHz opening to the Canary Islands on the 18th.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. However, activity could show signs of increasing towards next weekend. Solar activity is expected to be low but the occasional M class solar flare could take place and increase activity to moderate levels. Solar flux levels could be slightly below the 100 mark at first but could start to increase after midweek. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet but around midweek a weak disturbance could take place due to a small coronal hole. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 13MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 21MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 16MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1700 hours. Sporadic-E should take place on most days.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. Monday sees a curry night at Monsoon, Wythall, and on Tuesday there's an internet night at the shack, led by G7DDN. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is holding a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm, and on Friday there is a club HF net on 3.748MHz from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

South Birmingham Radio Society is cleaning and repairing the tower on Monday, then doing shack and aerial work on Friday. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 50MHz UK AC on Tuesday. There's a sausage and burger night at the BSA Club on Wednesday from 8pm that cost £2. Guests are welcome. Thursday sees a club net on 145.375MHz from 8pm, and Saturday morning sees the surgery in the shack, followed by participation in the IOTA contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a big barbecue on Wednesday to celebrate winning the RSGB Club of the Year contest. Saturday sees a visit to Wooferton radio transmitting station. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 23 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is visiting Courtyard Books by kind permission of Brian, G4ClB. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday 23 July Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is holding its construction competition. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday 24 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a technical talk. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 24 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is doing EME planning for 2m or 70cm. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 25 July Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting, putting the shack on the air and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 25 July South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Friday 27 July Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

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NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Low Power Contest on Sunday. On Wednesday there's a briefing for the IOTA contest, and the IOTA contest weekend itself starts on Saturday at Bewholme. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate and Advanced courses from 13:30 on Monday. There is a barbecue at HQ on Thursday, with a charge of £1 per hot item in addition to the normal £1 subscription. On Saturday the Intermediate and Advanced courses

continue from 13:30. Contact Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its grand summer junk sale on Monday. On Saturday the club commences its weekend event for the IOTA contest, operating as M3M or MM3M. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 23 July Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and continues its Advanced course. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 23 July Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on the work of the RNLI by Derek, G7LFC. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Tuesday 24 July Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Chris, M5XYZ on the children's charity event. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 24 July Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 50MHz UKAC Contest and holding a Morse class. Details from Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Wednesday 25 July Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air from 19.30 on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 25 July Goole Radio and Electronics Society is holding a barbecue. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Thursday 26 July South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a PC clinic with Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Sunday 22 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB Low Power Contest on 80m and 40m CW from Walker Park, Aberdeen. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Sunday 22 July Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club is having a barbecue alongside receiver testing and an antenna workshop. Please note there will be no meeting on Thursday. Details from Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580.

On Tuesday 24 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 23 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday 26 July Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a Morse class and is on the air. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 27 July West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is looking at the Raspberry PI computer with MM0YEQ. Details from Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

On Saturday 28 July Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event for the RSGB IOTA Contest from the Island of Tiree. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Radio Society of Harrow is calling CQ GX3EFX/P from Old Redding today. On Wednesday they are taking part in the WAB Follow the Torch event as GX4WAB, then the club Summer Activity commences on Friday. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8 to 9pm on Monday. On Wednesday there is a maritime history talk on The Halifax Event. Friday sees an 80m CW net from 1 to 2pm on 3.750MHz, then a 2m net from 8 to 9pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is visiting the Essex Secret Nuclear Bunker on Tuesday. On Thursday there's a talk by G3YVF on amateur radio electronics, and Friday sees the start of operating GB2OLG from the remote shack. Details from Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 22 July Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the Low Power contest. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Tuesday 24 July Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 24 July Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a club net from 8.30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 24 July Dorking & District Radio Society is transmitting from the Devil's Dyke. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 24 July Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 24 July Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having a briefing on the L/C meter club project. . Contact Martin Juhe M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday 25 July Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air with a 2m net via GB3VA & GB3AL. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 25 July Darenth Valley Radio Society is having a natter night, with radio on the air. Bob, M0RAW, 01322 663804, to m0raw-bob@talktalk.net

On Wednesday 25 July Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is having a talk and demo of covert radios by John Elgar- Whinney at the Taplin centre. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 25 July Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Secret Listeners by Paul, G3SEM. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 23 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday 25 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is planning for Fire Brigade open day, plus a talk by Phil, G4UDU, entitled 2 weeks, 6 countries and a radio show. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 26 July Bittern DX Group is meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday 26 July Edgware & District Radio Society is on the air with equipment provided by Eddie, M0HIE. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 26 July Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is having a natter night and holding a planning meeting for the Wok event on 4 August. Contact Chrissie Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

On Thursday 26 July Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 26 July Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is having an HF activity night. Contact David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday 26 July Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a barbecue at Barry's field. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 26 July Vange ARS is holding a natter night. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 27 July Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 27 July Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Mick Ponsford, M0GWD, on 02392 366 699.

On Friday 27 July Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night with equipment testing for SSB Field Day. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 27 July South Essex Amateur Radio Society commences operating special event station GB1HF for the Olympic Games. Operation will be at various times and days to 23 August. Details form Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Friday 27 July Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society starts its annual camp. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 28 July Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club continues its Foundation course. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 28 July Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is supporting Love Loughton day, coinciding with the first day of the London Olympics. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Saturday 28 July Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the IOTA contest. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Sunday 29 July Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on WW2 radar systems. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 0772 225 002.

On Sunday 29 July Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is at the Blind Veterans UK Radio Rally at St Dunstans. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on limited space dipoles in the Moose Centre on Monday. Its 2m net is on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 23 July Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night with MX0RIV on the air. Details from Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 23 July Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night and Morse class. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 24 July Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at the King's Arms, Shepton Mallet. Contact Nick, 2E0FGQ, on 01749 346 320.

On Thursday 26 July Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night and preparing for the IOTA Contest. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 26 July Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is running homebrew HF tests. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 27 July Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a Shelter Box presentation. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 28 July Plymouth Radio Club commences its weekend event for the RSGB IOTA contest. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday 26 July Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air on 145.500 then 145.550MHz. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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1320. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 22nd July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 12:31:53 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <ATRogSC5QUDQFwjZ@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2487
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <20120723120004.B67E333C93@panix2.panix.com>,
Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk writes

>GB2RS NEWS
>
>Sunday 22nd July 2012
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>It's not too late for UK amateurs to apply for the special prefix to
>celebrate the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games. The Notice of
>Variation application can be found on the RSGB website at
>www.rsgb.org/olympics. The special callsigns run until 2359BST on 9
>September. The letter O, Oscar, will be added to calls, or replace the
>regional identifier.

From the RSGB site:

"In view of all the restrictions associated with publicising the
Olympics, members have been asking what wording may they use on QSL
cards associated with the Olympic special prefixes. Through the RSGB the
Olympic Brand office has confirmed that the phrase;

"Amateur radio special event station to celebrate the London 2012
Olympic Games and Paralympic Games"

is quite acceptable to use on ordinary QSL cards such as those
associated with GOyxxx call and G2012xxx series."

Well, that's nice to know, but somehow, I don't think I'll be bothering.
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Ian

1321. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 22nd July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 12:46:30 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jujh37dks1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2488
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

<Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk> wrote in message
news:20120723120004.B67E333C93@panix2.panix.com...
> It's not too late for UK amateurs to apply for the special prefix to
> celebrate the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games. The Notice of
> Variation application can be found on the RSGB website at
> www.rsgb.org/olympics. The special callsigns run until 2359BST on 9
> September. The letter O, Oscar, will be added to calls, or replace the
> regional identifier.
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Yes, but what has it got to do with Ham Radio?

And, whilst we are on the subject, what has the RSCB got to do with Ham
Radio?

1322. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 23 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 12:47:50 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jujh5o$e15$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2489
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed" <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> wrote in
message news:e89a8f2354852fcd9004c57d4b2a@google.com...
> An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
> has been planned with participants at Women in Engineering @ Rochester
> Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY on 23 July
>

How much better if it had been planned with participants who are Radio Hams?

1323. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 22nd July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 12:50:02 UTC
From: FranK Turner-Smith G3VKI <g3vKi@turner-smith.co.uK>
Message-ID: <CMbPr.96087$Hs2.53675@fx27.am4>
Source record: 2490
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"gareth" <no.spam@thank.you.invalid> wrote in message
news:jujh37dks1@dont-email.me...
> <Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk> wrote in message
> news:20120723120004.B67E333C93@panix2.panix.com...
>> It's not too late for UK amateurs to apply for the special prefix to
>> celebrate the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympic Games. The Notice of
>> Variation application can be found on the RSGB website at
>> www.rsgb.org/olympics. The special callsigns run until 2359BST on 9
>> September. The letter O, Oscar, will be added to calls, or replace the
>> regional identifier.
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> Yes, but what has it got to do with Ham Radio?
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> And, whilst we are on the subject, what has the RSCB got to do with Ham
> Radio?
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and what has ever Bean YOUR contribution toward "Ham Radio"?
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73 de Frank Turner-Smith G3VKI - mine's a pint.
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http://turner-smith.co.uk

1324. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 23 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 14:34:06 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <phIC84BeDWDQFwl5@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2491
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <jujh5o$e15$1@dont-email.me>, gareth
<no.spam@thank.you.invalid> writes
>"Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed" <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> wrote in
>message news:e89a8f2354852fcd9004c57d4b2a@google.com...
>> An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
>> has been planned with participants at Women in Engineering @ Rochester
>> Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY on 23 July
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>How much better if it had been planned with participants who are Radio Hams?
>
Even better if they were Radio Amateurs.
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Ian

1325. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 16 - 22 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 15:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120723153002.55A2C33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2492
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jul 23 1249 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
16 - 22 July 2012

Solar activity ranged from very low to high levels. Region 1520
(S16, L=86, class/area Fkc/1460 on 12 July) was responsible for most
of the flares during the week, including the largest. High activity
occurred on 19/0558 UTC when Region 1520 produced the largest flare
of the week, an M7 accompanied by Type II (estimated velocity 1110
km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps, a 1000 sfu Tenflare, and a
partial-halo CME. Activity was at moderate levels two days earlier
when Region 1520 produced a long-duration M1/1f flare and
partial-halo CME on 17/1715 UTC. The same region produced two days
of low activity, with a C7/Sf at 16/2003 UTC and a C4 flare at
18/2218 UTC. With the exception of one C1 flare at 21/2324 UTC from
Region 1526 (S18, L=266, class/area Bxo/10 on 21 July), very low
levels of activity persisted from the 20th through the remainder of
the week as Region 1520 rotated around the west limb.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event began at 17/1715 UTC, reached a
maximum flux of 136 pfu at 18/0600 UTC, and ended at 21/0310 UTC.
This event was associated with the long-duration M1/1f event on 17
July. The greater than 100 MeV proton flux showed a slight
enhancement late on 17 July.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels on 16 July, increased to high levels 17-21 July, and
decreased to moderate levels on 22 July.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels.
Activity on 16 July began at major storm levels and decreased to
unsettled levels as the day passed. 17 July saw quiet to active
levels with a periods of minor to major storm levels at high
latitudes. The increased activity was attributed to lingering
effects from a CME which arrived late on 14 July. Quiet levels
followed on 18-19 July. Data from the ACE spacecraft suggested the
CME from 17 July swept past on the 20th, and the CME from 19 July
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passed on the 21st. This brought quiet to unsettled conditions, with intervals of active to minor storm conditions at high latitudes, from the 20th through the end of the week.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
23 July - 18 August 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels with a chance for C-class events until 29 July when activity is expected to increase to low levels due to the return of old Region 1522 (N11, L=099). The return of old Regions 1519 (S15, L=107) and 1520 are expected to bring moderate activity levels with a slight chance for X-class events, from 30 July through 13 August. Activity is expected to return to mostly low levels for the remainder of the period as Regions 1519 and 1520 depart.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event above 10 pfu is possible with a slight chance for major flare activity from 30 July to 13 August.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels on 23-27 July, 3-5 August, and 11-15 August. High levels are expected from 28 July to 2 August and on 6-10 August.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels with isolated active periods for the first three days (23-25 July) as a coronal hole high speed (CH HSS) stream becomes geoeffective. Activity is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels on 26-27 July, then increase to unsettled to active periods through 30 July as a recurrent negative polarity CH HSS becomes geoeffective. Quiet to unsettled conditions are then expected for the remainder of the forecast period.

1326. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 23 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 16:21:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b1748d1304c581a46d@google.com>
Source record: 2493
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Great Texas Balloon Race Special Event KI5UA Jul 27 - Jul 29, 1400Z-2200Z

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 08:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355045-Great-Texas-Balloon-Race-Special-Event-KI5UA-Jul-27-Jul-29-1400Z-2200Z&goto=newpost

July 27 - July 29 will see the Great Texas Balloon Race and National Hot
Air Balloon Finals. at Longview Texas.

The Longview/East Texas amateur Radio Club will be running the special
event station KI5UA from 1400Z - 2200Z on 14.250 and 7.250 Mhz SSB and CW
on 20 & 40M. A special certificate/QSL will be available by writing the
Longview/East Texas amateur Radio Club (LETARC) at PO Box 5613, Longview,
TX 75608 and enclosing an SASE. For an unfolded certificate send a 9 x 12
SASE and if you don't mind it being folded a #10 business SASE will do.

www.letarc.org

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2012 Route 66 On The Air Reminder

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 03:45 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355011-2012-Route-66-On-The-Air-Reminder&goto=newpost

The annual Route 66 On The Air Special Event is coming September 8-16, 2012
so please mark your calendar. We will have 17 stations along with 3 rovers.
For further information, please visit the official website at www.w6jbt.org
and click the Route 66 On The Air link. It will show you all the clubs
participating along with certificate and QSL information. Hope to hear you
on the air!!

Jeff Richardson, W6JJR

Coordinator Route 66 On The Air Event

Hosted by: Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club, San Bernardino, CA

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W4R - Sackets Harbor, NY War of 1812 Bicentennial

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 10:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354972-W4R-Sackets-Harbor-NY-War-of-1812-Bicentennial&goto=newpost

The Jefferson County Radio Amateur Club, Inc. will be operating as W4R July 22-23 & August 4-5 from Sackets Harbor, New York. Sackets Harbor was at one time a shipbuilding center for the United States Navy and the site of major military operations during the War of 1812. Although this is late notification regarding the July 22-23 operations the majority of our operations will be on the August 4-5 weekend. Those wishing to receive a 8.5x11 inch certificate commemorating their contact with W4R are asked to send a SASE. A $2 donation to assist the club with offsetting expenses associated with our special events is encouraged and greatly appreciated.

Operations will be on 10M, 15M, 20M & 40M dependant upon propagation and number of available operators.

Look forward to seeing you on the air!

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V63XG Yap Island Micronesia

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 09:13 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354959-V63XG-Yap-Island-Micronesia&goto=newpost

JA1XGI will be active from Yap Island , Micronesia 5-12 December 2012 as V63XG

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...nd_micronesia/

73 Al 4L5A

1327. eHam.net News for Monday 23 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-23 22:31:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba10b7c00b804c586cf62@google.com>
Source record: 2494
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Learning The In's And Out's Of Ham Radios:

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 06:56 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28660

Twin Falls, Idaho (KMVT-TV) A local radio personality organized a seminar to teach people how to use Ham radios. Kelly Klaas who is known for being one of the voices on KLIX 1300, helped the attendees learn how to use these radios in the event of a disaster. The event took place at Loong Hing restaurant in Twin Falls. Klaas says the interest in these amateur radios is growing as there are more than 700,000 owners in this country alone. He adds they're great for meeting new friends, of course staying connected in times of disaster as well and a hobby. "The capabilities go way beyond your cell phone, a lot of the infrastructure be lost in the event of an emergency ham radio is able to always be there and go through no matter. it's kind of the ultimate communications device."

1328. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 23 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-24 02:23:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf305642c5c4d6ac04c58a0bc4@google.com>
Source record: 2495
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham Radio Lives On - Twin Falls Times-News

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 01:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHI87roxUBS2inu4xTKxwrOAae9kA&url=http://magicvalley.com/news/local/ham-radio-lives-on/article_b87a121d-881d-5fcd-a7df-72c50ae13ae4.html

Ham Radio Lives On
Twin Falls Times-News
TWIN FALLS • Like Mark Twains purported death, the demise of ham radio has been greatly exaggerated. “There is a terrible rumor that ham radio is dead,” said Kelly Klaas of the Magic Valley Amateur Radio Operators Club. The truth is, the activity is ...

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Statewide drill will test disaster readiness this weekend - Examiner.com

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 05:57 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEnd_NhD-kvmS92TQhZLHWUQ8K1Yw&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/statewide-drill-will-test-disaster-readiness-this-weekend

Examiner.com
Statewide drill will test disaster readiness this weekend
Examiner.com
Connecticuts Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) will also be active, using the drill as its annual Simulated Emergency Test, says Wayne Gronlund, CT Section Emergency Coordinator. Ham operators will report from all five ARES regions, in many ...

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Apocalypse Boy and his radio - Deccan Chronicle

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 10:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFqXhsVWEw6s-IIanxseVf6UcVBDw&url=http://www.deccanchronicle.com/tabloid/teens/apocalypse-boy-and-his-radio-111

Deccan Chronicle
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Ham enthusiast senses quakes. Fourteen-year-old Tom K. Jose is your average ninth grader; except for the fact that he is on his way to create a record in amateur radio contacts. Till date, the young lad has made 1000 contacts in 97 countries across the ...

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Ham senses quakes, draws scientists - Deccan Chronicle

Posted: 22 Jul 2012 04:07 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2yIoi8lmWZ13Hb8TMZICm1rnxqg&url=http://www.deccanchronicle.com/channels/cities/kochi/ham-senses-quakes-draws-scientists-945

Deccan Chronicle
Ham senses quakes, draws scientists
Deccan Chronicle
His physical disabilities stand apart when this ham radio enthusiast makes calculations and predictions about earthquakes somewhat accurately – and the scientists at the premier Centre for Earth Science Studies are enthused. Sreemurukan Anthikkad, a ...

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Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world - Newnan Times-Herald

Posted: 28 Jun 2012 03:22 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE7CrI8kjAoZKbt13EYkZ7YFn0o6Q&url=http://www.times-herald.com/local/20120628HamRadio-MOS

Newnan Times-Herald
Amateur radio connects Coweta County, world
Newnan Times-Herald
About 60 amateur radio enthusiasts were out at the Coweta County Fairgrounds over the weekend practicing their skills and talking with other operators across the country. ... The Federal Communications Commission requires ham operators to be licensed.
Amateur radio club tests emergency communicationStar Community Newspapers
Harrisburg Amateur Radio Club to bring Hamfest to HACC Wildwood campusPatriot-News (blog)
Police Explorers Begin Amateur Radio ClassesThe Missourian
KRTV Great Falls News -Patch.com -Calhountimes
all 22 news articles

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Slidell amateur radio operators spend Field Day communicating - NOLA.com

Posted: 04 Jul 2012 03:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHBbFPpJiy-f_rOlIAtw-XgaNAL-A&url=http://www.nola.com/community/st-tammany/index.ssf/2012/07/slidell_amateur_radio_operator.html

NOLA.com
Slidell amateur radio operators spend Field Day communicating
NOLA.com
“See that – thats a signal,” said John Guthans, sitting with his wife and fellow “ham” radio enthusiast, Judy, outside the Ozone Amateur Radio Club Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in central Slidell. a.oarc1.jpg Chris Granger, The Times-PicayuneJay ...

1329. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-039E - RAC Convention 2012 August 10-12, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-24 03:49:31 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <500E1B31.1050004@rac.ca>
Source record: 2496
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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RAC Bulletin 2012-039E - RAC Convention 2012 August 10-12, 2012
2012-07-23

The RAC convention 2012 speakers list has been updated.

Register now to get extra chance on the door prizes. We have several
exciting prizes courtesy of our major sponsors.

Please visit the web site http://convention2012.rac.ca.

J.T. (Mitch) Mitchell, VE6OH
Director - Alberta, Northwest Territories and Nunavut

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Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm
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1330. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 24 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-24 06:12:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf300515a81f59c904c58d3f27@google.com>
Source record: 2497
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Tucson Hamfest & Fly-In

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 09:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355099-Tucson-Hamfest-amp-Fly-In&goto=newpost

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The HUGE

Tucson Hamfest & Fly-In will be held on October 6, 2012 at Marana Northwest Regional Airport. The airport is located just north of Tucson off I-10 and less than an hour south of the Phoenix metro area. This ARRL sanctioned event will feature major commercial vendors, tailgate sales, VE session and special fly-in pilot accommodations. More details, vendor sign-up, maps, site plan, hotel and camping and flight info is at: www.tucsonhamfest.com

Attached Images

OVARC_HAMFEST_LOGO.jpg
(56.3 KB)

1331. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 24 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-24 11:04:21 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d042dffbfbaca1804c5915291@google.com>
Source record: 2498
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB2012MV transmissions kick-off on Wednesday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qb840RrlaLg/gb2012mv_transmissions_start_wednesday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Warrington Amateur Radio Club, who have been granted the special Olympic call sign GB2012MV (Manchester Venue), will be airing it for the first time on Wednesday

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GB2012RA active from Olympic Shooting venue

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PxDCNUUSQZ8/gb2012ra_active_from_olympic_shooting_venue.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB2012RA has been allocated to the Vintage Operating Group, who are based in Woolwich, for the period of the Olympic Shooting - 28th July to 5th August 2012

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Ofcom Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games Spectrum Comsultation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jzjVOl_oMNU/commonwealth_games_spectrum_comsultation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has published a consultation seeking views on its estimation of spectrum demands for the ‘XX Commonwealth Games’, which will take place in Glasgow between July 23 and August 3, 2014

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Limited Market Reef (OJ0) activation during the IOTA Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cIY_uVSg4Y8/limited_market_reef_activation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Next Friday morning on the 27th of July, a group consisting of G3TXF, G3XTT, SM0DZB and SM0W will attempt to land on Market Reef with a small boat to activate the Reef during the IOTA contest as OJ0R

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Radio Ham predicts earthquakes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4Ceo7S14OGc/radio_ham_predicts_earthquakes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Deccan Chronicle reports on a radio amateur Sreemurukan VU3KBN who says
he can predict earthquakes

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Ham Radio Lives On

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kagl2TaJZ9k/ham_radio_lives_on.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Times-News reports that amateur radio is more popular than ever with
more than 700,000 participants nationwide

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St. Paul Island DXpedition update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/caGYj5WQqyQ/st_paul_island_dxpedition_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The CY9M St. Paul Island DXpedition, comprised of a team of five operators,
is expected to be active this week between July 26th and August 1st

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Spratly Islands DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fMJBS0Cwveo/spratly_islands_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Operators John 9M6XRO and Steve 9M6DXX will be active as 9M4SLL from Pulau
Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) between August 7-13th

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Plasma TV interference video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0KOwgS2PdMk/plasma_tv_interference_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Some Plasma TV's can generate severe radio interference over a wide area,
this video shows one persons experience

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RAC Convention 2012 August 10-12

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z1qm7rxrKqY/rac_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The speakers list for the 2012 RAC National Convention, to be held at the Concordia University College of Alberta, has been updated

1332. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 24 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-24 11:08:04 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <julvmm$vj5$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2499
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> Ofcom Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games Spectrum Comsultation
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just hand the vhf/uhf bands over to people who will make better use of them
without the swearing hammy mens ....

1333. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 24 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-24 16:32:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614b3af03ba804c595e730@google.com>
Source record: 2500
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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IOTA Activation - VK4NM / OC142 Fraser Island

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 04:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355151-IOTA-Activation-VK4NM-OC142-Fraser-Island&goto=newpost

Hi All,

This weekend we will be QRV from Fraser Island (OC142). Primarily for the IOTA contest but also a day either side. Please listen out for us. We have a special QSL card for the acivation which can be requested via my manager M0OXO.

VK4NM_2011.jpg

Cheers

Attached Images

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W6UX/P to Activate Anacapa Island NA-144 July 28-29

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 09:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355101-W6UX-P-to-Activate-Anacapa-Island-NA-144-July-28-29&goto=newpost

Anacapa Island (NA-144) will be activated as W6UX/P with a team of 6 operators during the IOTA contest. As far as we know, NA-144 has not been activated since we were there last year, so don't miss this chance to get this rare IOTA in your log! Anacapa also counts for ARLHS USA-012 and WLOTA-1300 lighthouses, US Island CA-002S, Flora-Fauna WFF KFF-014 and for Ventura County.

Team: W6UX, AE6RS, N6GP, KQ6ES, KR6J, KJ6REP

Bands: 40, 20, 15, 10, and possibly WARC (non-contest)

Modes: CW, Phone

Anticipated Operating Schedule:

0000z July 28 - 0600z July 28 (Station checks and non-contest QSOs)

1200z July 28 - 1200z July 29 (RSGB IOTA contest as W6UX/P)

1200z July 29 - 1400z July 29 (Battery power permitting, final non-contest QSOs)

This is a battery powered operation (1 "run" station, and 1 "multi" hunter station), and we will need to conserve power in order to make it all the way to Sunday. We plan to limit output to 50w unless absolutely necessary to boost QSO rates. We expect most of the action to be on 20 and 40, but with luck 15 will be open and we are bringing a Moxon for that band. All other antennas are PAR Endz-fed dipoles.

Contest QSOs are logged as "W6UX/P" and will be uploaded to LOTW and eQSL. To receive a special NA-144 card, QSL via W6UX. For all non-contest QSOs, QSL via home calls.

Thanks!

Jeff, W6UX

1334. eHam.net News for Tuesday 24 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-24 22:04:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a4c0653004c59a8923@google.com>
Source record: 2401
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Apocalypse Boy and His Radio:

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28664

Fourteen-year-old Tom K. Jose is your average ninth grader; except for the fact that he is on his way to create a record in amateur radio contacts. Till date, the young lad has made 1,000 contacts in 97 countries across the world. He even teaches Morse code and explains the fundamentals of communication engineering to fellow students at his school Rock Memorial Higher Secondary School.
What is so special about making 1,000 friends on amateur radio when more are possible on social networking sites online? "It is fundamentally wrong to compare amateur radio friends with those on Facebook. There is a certain intrigue and thrill in voice-to-voice conversations with new people in distant lands, very often those in non-English speaking countries," he explains.

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Ham Senses Quakes, Draws Scientists:

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28663

His physical disabilities stand apart when this ham radio enthusiast makes calculations and predictions about earthquakes somewhat accurately -- and the scientists at the premier Centre for Earth Science Studies are enthused. Sreemurukan Anthikkad, a 48-year-old Ham radio enthusiast, paralysed below waist due to polio while he was an infant, makes assessments that are "50 per cent" satisfactory, say CESS scientists like Dr John Mathai. "Sreemurukan alerts us when he identifies unusual changes in radio waves while talking without the support of boosters (repeaters). This, he feels, is indicative of quakes. This he did a day before several quakes in the last few months," says Dr John Mathai.

1335. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 24 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-25 02:19:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efd4a9d3bf304c59e1a7c@google.com>
Source record: 2402
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio revelry - Santa Rosa Press Gazette

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 10:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHpPX9sHbm0dkLnXoVTs6-xeSi4Aw&url=http://www.srpressgazette.com/news/custracane-16269-tubes-radio.html

Radio revelry
Santa Rosa Press Gazette
Now before you think of smoked sausage, ham slices, or sausage patties with pancakes that is not the purpose of a Ham Fest. If you need an old radio transmitter, coaxial cable, antenna, or some other gadget, including a computer, then the Santa Rosa ...

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ARRL Board of Directors Names Award Recipients at 2012 Second Meeting - ARRL

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 06:27 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG28sYl8qrqWYOmeWc8VuPl2DAIRA&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-of-directors-names-award-recipients-at-2012-second-meeting

ARRL Board of Directors Names Award Recipients at 2012 Second Meeting
ARRL
After his death, friends in the New Hampshire Amateur Radio Association joined with the ARRL Board of Directors to pay a lasting tribute to the important contributions he made on behalf of Amateur Radio. The McGan Award goes to that ham who has ...

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Ham radio operators hold 24-hour drill - Hilton Head Island Packet

Posted: 24 Jun 2012 08:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEtXzvYN4os_M8lMawQ0C8v99OAfg&url=http://www.islandpacket.com/2012/06/24/2113290/ham-radio-operators-hold-24-hour.html

CBS Local
Ham radio operators hold 24-hour drill
Hilton Head Island Packet
By noon Sunday, members of the Beaufort Radio Amateur Group still were sitting in folding chairs under canopies as the generator hummed and voices from across the world streamed in through the airwaves. The group, along with 35000 "hams" across the ...
Ham radio operators stay in practiceBlueRidgeNow.com
Amateur Radio Operators Often Help In A CrisisWDEF News 12

Amateur radio enthusiasts ready for emergenciesDothan Eagle
Patch.com -KTVZ -Log Cabin Democrat
all 290 news articles

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Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams - Times of India

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 03:58 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ96xjdcQ35dHk5mAUgSaMGpc8LQ&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Ham-radio-to-link-Ahmedabad-students-with-Sunita-Williams/articleshow/14972807.cms

Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams
Times of India
Ham radio or amateur radio is frequently used for the communication from space to earth and vice versa and in the past, many of the astronauts stationed at ISS have had talks with students narrating their experiences and answering their queries. So far ...

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1336. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 25 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-25 06:32:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e5f8df3623804c5a1a340@google.com>
Source record: 2403
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Pacific NW DX Convention is in a couple of weeks!

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 04:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355161-Pacific-NW-DX-Convention-is-in-a-couple-of-weeks!&goto=newpost

Just a reminder that the Pacific Northwest DX Convention hosted by the Willamette Valley DX Club (WVDXC) will be August 3-5, 2012 at the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas, OR. An elite list of guest speakers are lined up for the event, along with an outstanding list of prizes.

Check out the event by visiting the WVDXC website : www.wvdxc.org, and clicking on the convention tab on the top menu. For more information contact Al, K7AR at k7ar@arrl.net

Thanks, and see you there!

73;

Mike, W7VO

1337. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 25 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-25 11:05:00 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <001636c92779aea98004c5a572e2@google.com>
Source record: 2404
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Virginia Air and Space, Hampton, VA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pr5yUh-PFAs/ariss_event_2607.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at Virginia Air and Space, Hampton, VA
on 26 July

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Tethersat-1 and 2 to test Electrodynamic Tether Propulsion

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pr5iz6J6A1I/tethersat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio satellite Tethersat is a 3U CubeSat that splits into two
joined by a 1 km tether to test electrodynamic tether propulsion

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Outdated code hinders growth of amateur radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SSIF85bZuJk/outdated_code_hinders_growth_of_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Gleaner newspaper reports that the Morse Code test is impeding the
growth of amateur radio in Jamaica

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BBC statement on Olympic radio restrictions

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lW7QstIywmY/bbc_statement_on_olympic_radio_restrictions.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC have issued a statement confirming that that their local radio
stations will be blocked to overseas listeners during the Games

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26th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xhhpClZAAgM/26th_cars_foundation_course

.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding their 26th
Foundation training course starting Thursday, August 30

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OZ12SJ Jamboree Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ulYOPPadRY4/oz12sj_jamboree_station.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A Scouting Jamboree is currently taking place near Holstebro in Denmark and
special event station OZ12SJ is operating from the site

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Working the ISS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TIM3yY4GWwo/working_the_iss.htm?utm_sou
rce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wendy Quinn W1DY explains how to go about hearing and talking to the
International Space Station (ISS)

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8J3A on Amateur Radio Satellites

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YcyC1ivZCEo/8j3a_on_amateur_radio_satel
lites.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows the JARL Kansai Ham Festival (KANHAM) Special Event
Station 8J3A operating the amateur radio satellite FO-29

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Garage door openers fail

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2kMM3fkA8to/garage_door_openers_fail.ht
m?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Daily Mail newspaper reports that garage door openers are
malfunctioning in the presence of a 380 MHz US Naval communications system

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German contest team looking for Madeira operators

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fTfycR1c55Q/german_contest_team_looking
_for_operators.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

German amateur radio operators from the RRDXA will be active once again as
CR3L during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Multi-? entry

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14 year-old Indian Radio Ham VU3TMO

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fI7P28ujGYY/14_year_old_indian_radio_ham_vu3tmo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Deccan Chronicle reports on fourteen-year-old Tom K. Jose VU3TMO from Hyderabad, a ninth grader who is on his way to creating a record in amateur radio contacts

1338. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 25 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-25 16:16:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <0050450170582c7ab104c5a9cc14@google.com>
Source record: 2405
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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New radio system at sub base fouling up garage door openers

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 02:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355143-New-radio-system-at-sub-base-fouling-up-garage-door-openers&goto=newpost

Montville - Sondra Tuchman used to open her garage door from halfway down the block. Now she has to get out of her car, stand in front of the door and press the remote. Sometimes she gives up and just walks through a side door.

On Thursday, Tuchman and a neighbor in the Hillcrest senior retirement community collected the signatures of about 50 people in their Uncasville neighborhood who said their garage doors also weren't working.

Tuchman said a salesman from Overhead Door Company of Norwich, Inc. told her the company had received similar complaints from customers in Groton, New London, Waterford, Montville and Gales Ferry. The company referred questions about the problem to the corporate office, saying that its equipment was not defective.

Rather, a new radio system operating at the Naval Submarine Base in Groton may be to blame. Known as Enterprise Land Mobile Radio, the communications system is being used at most U.S. military installations to connect military personnel and civilian first responders over a wide area, and it "may interfere with nearby garage door openers in the surrounding community," said base spokesman Chris Zendan.

The base began using the system in July 2011. ELMR uses radio frequencies between 380 and 399.9 megahertz, which have been reserved for the Department of Defense since World War II for air and ground communications but have been underutilized until now.

Some radio-controlled garage door openers operate legally at very low power on the same frequencies but are not licensed to do so. Because they are unlicensed devices, the owner/operator has no right to protection from interference.

"In response to the increased needs of homeland security, the Department of Defense now must make more use of these frequencies to deploy new mobile radio systems on and around certain military bases," the Federal Communications Commission said in a public notice. "Some consumers near these bases may experience interference to their garage door openers that

can reduce operating range or cause the remote control to cease functioning."

Residents in communities near military bases across the country, from Eglin Air Force Base in Florida to the Marine Corps Base Quantico in Virginia and Naval Station Newport in Rhode Island, have reported jammed garage doors. The Providence Journal reported in May 2011 that a public relations consultant for Warwick's Overhead Door Co. said the company ordered replacement parts and will install them for free.

The commander of the Groton submarine base can't modify the system because of complaints from local residents or offer any compensation to those affected, Zendan said. The base has only heard from one other person complaining of a possible interference issue - in December 2011, he added.

Tuchman said she was told by Overhead Door Company she would have to pay about $300 to change her system to another frequency. A manager at the company told a reporter that replacing the equipment is "not our responsibility" because "it all has to do with homeland security."

Source: http://www.theday.com/article/201207...307239975/1018

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Sheriff's colorado river station amateur radio association n6crs tests radios

Posted: 11 Jul 2012 08:56 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353578-Sheriff-s-colorado-river-station-amateur-radio-association-n6crs-tests-radios&goto=newpost

NEEDLES ☐ With 5,000 square miles of law enforcement and search and rescue responsibilities from the Nevada state line south about 70 miles to the Riverside County line and from the Colorado River east almost 90 miles, the San Bernardino County Sheriff☐s Department realized the need for a command post equipped with a variety of communication equipment able to communicate with allied law enforcement and public service agencies from remote locations.

Sheriff☐s deputies, search and rescue members, Needles Citizens on Patrol and professional staff from the department☐s Colorado River Station held emergency communications training from the CRS command post on June 23 at Jack Smith Park in Needles. Personnel tested their ability to set up the command post on a moment☐s notice and, under simulated emergency conditions using only emergency generator power, began communicating with other amateur radio operators nationwide as part of the annual American Radio Relay League Field Day event.

Click on the link for the full story:

http://www.thedesertstar.com/article...al/news883.txt

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Amatuer Radio featured in Kids TV Show

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 10:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353318-Amatuer-Radio-featured-in-Kids-TV-Show&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio was featured on Colby's Corner TV Show this week. Colby is a 9 year old who visits locations in South Carolina, learing about different things, from Jobs, Sports & Hobbies. We set up a temporary station and got Colby on the air and filmed it for his TV show...

See the video - http://youtu.be/8JKkPoV7bbw

and see more info Colby's show at http://www.colbyscornertv.com/

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Going /AM: An Interview With PH9HB

Posted: 09 Jul 2012 12:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?353261-Going-AM-An-Interview-With-PH9HB&goto=newpost

Hi folks,

just wanted to let you know about my last piece for DXCoffee.com, which I hope will reveal as interesting as it's been writing it!

It's about Jerry van der Goot, an airline captain who operates /AM during some of his flights. You probably have noticed PH9HB/AM on the cluster.

Here is the interview with him in English:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/2012/07/...r-radio-cloud/

And here in Italian:

http://www.dxcoffee.com/ita/2012/07/...ano-dal-cielo/

Thanks a lot for your attention and vy 73,

Chris

1339. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 25 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-25 16:33:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc0f8b6936304c5aa0ae9@google.com>
Source record: 2406
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Iaru championship 2012 sn7h contest team

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 12:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355268-Iaru-championship-2012-sn7h-contest-team&goto=newpost

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V31MO V31MX V31WH Caye Caulker Island

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 10:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355249-V31MO-V31MX-V31WH-Caye-Caulker-Island&goto=newpost

W5MRM, K0BCN and W5HNS will be active from Caye Caulker Island (IOTA
NA-073) until 31 July 2012 as V31MO , V31MX ,
V31WHhttp://dxing.at-communication.com/en/v31mo_v31mx_v31wh_caye-caulker-island/
73 Al 4L5A

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Beecher Island Memorial Celebration

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 08:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355238-Beecher-Island-Memorial-Celebration&goto=newpost

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SPECIAL EVENT STATION "N0B" TO OPERATE DURING BEECHER ISLAND BATTLE

MEMORIAL CELEBRATION SEPT 14-16, 2012

Amateur radio special event station "N0B" will be operating from

the historic Beecher Island battlefield in Yuma County, Colorado

during the annual Beecher Island Battle Memorial Celebration the

weekend of September 14-15, 2012.

The event commemorates the 144th anniversary of the historic battle

between U.S. Calvary troops and Plains Indians fought September 16,

1868. Historic information may be found by an Internet search for

"Beecher Island battle" and at: www.wrayco.net/museum_beecher.html

Station manager Ron Peterson, K0LMD, of Wray, Colorado said the

station will operate on a primary frequency of 14268 Khz, with

backup at 7268 Khz depending on propagation characteristics. On

Friday, Sept. 14 he plans to be on the air from Noon to 5pm and

8pm to Midnight; Saturday, Sept. 15, as working schedule allows;

and Sunday, Sept. 16 from 8am-11am and from 3pm to 8pm. All times

local time: Mountain Daylight (UTC -6 hours). He will be assisted

by Bill Boas, KC0IZI of Wray. A certificate is planned for check-

ins and "county hunters" wishing one. SASE. A web page with this notice,

photos, and developing information is posted on the Internet at:

www.nyx.net/~wboas/beecher.html

The Beecher Island battlefield is located 39.86N, 102.18W, grid

square DM89vu, about 15 miles SSE of the city of Wray, the county

seat of Yuma County in Eastern Colorado.

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Olympic special event station GB2012MV

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 06:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355219-Olympic-special-event-station-GB2012MV&goto=newpost

GB2012MV will start transmissions Wednesday July25 at 0600 UTC and ends on
September 9 all HF bands 100% qsl cards we look

forward to working many of you. 73 Ken G3VBA

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Special Thanks to "13 Colonies" Special Event Sponsors and Operators

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 03:40 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355200-Special-Thanks-to-quot-13-Colonies-quot-Special-Event-Sponsors-and-Operators&goto=newpost

Greetings All,

I'd like to express a special thanks to Mr Ken Villone, KU2US, and all of
the event sponsors and operators associated with the "13 Colonies" Special

Event over the 4th of July week.

When the weather threw a wrench into the middle of the event, many of our Amateur bretheren were put off-the-air. (I was not one of them, luckily, but I've 'been there') The bad weather, loss of power, etc, meant that many operators who might want to participate in this fun activity were going to lose that opportunity through no fault of their own.

But the 13 Colonies folks stepped up and, with no obligation to do so, extended the activity through the 7th of July (0400Z 08 July) to give everyone a chance to work them. THAT is sportsmanship and makes Amateur Radio the kind of environment that I like being associated with.

Kudos to all of the 13 Colonies crew! Thank-you for sacrificing your time and less-than-ideal propagation to make Amateur Radio more fun for the rest of us!

And to top it off, I have, as of yesterday (23 July 2012) already received my certificate back! If that's not some type of record, it ought to be!

Thank-you, Ladies and Gentlemen! It was a pleasure!

73

Steve, K4YZ

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CAF Bomber B-29 FiFi On 14.263 MHz Today

Posted: 21 Jul 2012 09:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?354846-CAF-Bomber-B-29-FiFi-On-14-263-MHz-Today&goto=newpost

Today the CAF B29 Bomber FiFi will be operating on or near 14.263 MHz while in

flight using vintage Collins AM gear that was installed recently by Collins

Retirees.

The anticipated flight will originate from CID Cedar Rapids, Iowa at around 1800

hours UTC.

Denny, K0LGI

1340. [DXNL] DXNL 1790 (Jul 25, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-25 19:34:36 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <166713602225.20120725211523@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2407
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1790 - Jul 25, 2012
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Due to the number of messages concerning the IOTA Contest this DXNL has
no calendar and QSL information.

4O, MONTENEGRO
The radio club "Bijelo Polje" celebrates its 60th anniversary by
using the special callsign 4O60GBP until the end of 2012. QSL via 4O3Z.

9H, MALTA
Ignacio,EA2BD, will be active as 9H3BD until July 30. Activity will be
IN QRP on 20m using CW and SSB. QSL via homecall.

A2, BOTSWANA
Arnold,WB6OJB, will be active as A25JB from Botswana between Jul 24-31.
Activity will be on 40m-10m using mostly SSB with some CW.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

CY9, ST PAUL ISLAND
Mike,AB5EB, Bill,N2WB, George,EA2TA, Christian,EA3NT, Simon,IZ7ATN,
Col,MM0NDX, Bjorn,SM0MDG, Vicky,SV2KBS, Steve,VA3FM, and Kevin,VE3EN,
will be QRV as CY9M from Atlantic Cove on St. Paul (NA-094, CIsA NS003,
WLOTA 0166, Loc FN97) between Jul 26 and Aug 1. Operation will take
place in all modes on 160m-2m with emphasis put on 6m and 160m. They
will join the IOTA Contest in CW/SSB only on 20m. QSL via M0URX, LoTW.
See also: http://www.cy9m.com and https://twitter.com/#!/CY9M and
http://www.facebook.com/CY9M.2012

F, FRANCE
The Scout station TM12VTR will be active from Jul 27-30 from the
national jamboree "Vis Tes Reves!" (Live Your Dreams!) in Jambville.
Main operating frequencies will be 14290, 7190, 3690 and 3940 kHz.
QSLs via operator's instructions.

The Council of Europe Radio Club (CERAC) will be active as TP8CE from

Jul 27-29, including the IOTA contest. QSL via F5LGF.
See also: http://www.tp2ce.eu

FK, FRENCH NEW CALEDONIA
Tsuyoshi,FK/JJ2NYT, will be QRV in CW, SSB and RTTY on 40m-10m from
Grande Terre (OC-032) between Jul 29 and Aug 2. QSL via homecall.

G, ENGLAND
2O12L will be the callsign of the London ham radio station celebrating
the Olympic and Paralympic Games operating from Eltham Palace (JO01ak)
in Greenwich (EU-005, WLOTA 1841) between Jul 27 and Sep 9.
QSL via G4WNF. See also: http://www.2o12l.com

GB4GBO is another special event station during the Olympic Games which
will be activated by the "Sands Contest Group" until Sep 10.
QSL via bureau or direct via G1LAT.

The special event station GB2VET celebrates the Army, Air Force and
Navy Reunion's 10th anniversary, will be QRV from Jul 27-29 from
East Park in the city of Hull. QSL via G0SWO.

The "Warrington Amateur Radio Club" will sign GB2012MV between Jul 25
and Sep 9. QSL via bureau. See also: http://www.gb2012mv.com

GW, WALES
Members of the "Barry Amateur Radio Society" (BARS) will activate the
special callsign 2O12W in all modes on 160m-23cm. QSL via GW1FKY.
See also: http://www.2O12W.com

KP4, PUERTO RICO
The special event station K4C will be active on 40m-10m on July 25 to
celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution of the Commonwealth
of Puerto Rico. QSL via WP4NPC.

OK, CZECH REPUBLIC
Vasek,OK2AN/p, plans to activate several castles between Jul 28 and
Aug 4. QSL via homecall.

ON, BELGIUM
The radio club Leuven (RCL, ON4CP) celebrates its 85th anniversary
by activating the special call ON85RCL until Dec 31. QSL via ON3AR.
See also: http://www.radioclubleuven.be

OX, GREENLAND
Bo,OX3LX, will be QRV again from HP15eo on HF-2m during his spare time.
His main emphasis will be put on 2m EME and 4m ES. QSL via OZ1PIF.
See also: http://ox3lx.geronne.dk

PJ2, CURACAO
Anja,DH2AK, and Torsten,DL1THM, have planned another trip to Curacao
and will be QRV as PJ2/homecalls from the clubstation PJ2A mostly in
SSB on 15m and 20m between July 26 and Aug 1. QSLs via bureau to their
homecalls, the direct QSL route can be found on QRZ.com.

UA0, ASIATIC RUSSIA
Victor,RW0BG/p, plans to work from Oleniy Island (AS-083, RRA RR-06-06,
RDA YN-12) between Jul 31 and Aug 1. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

W, USA
Dave,N1EDU/p, is working from Bailey Island (NA-137/USi ME022S) and
maybe also from other island in the Casco Bay until Jul 28.
QSL via K1HRO.

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Stefan,DL4ST, works as T6SS from Afghanistan until the end of Sep.
He is currently staying in Mazar-e-Sharif and wants to work in CW on
14020 kHz and 7020 kHz or in SSB on 14195 kHz and 7095 kHz from 1200
to 1600 UTC. QSL via homecall.

Safari DX Activators Club: The Safari DX Activators Club informs about its
activities on its website: http://safari.16mb.com/wordpress

HQ Award: The "Brave Radio Friends" issue another special award for working
at least 10 different HQ stations in the IAR HF World Champ
ionship.
The diploma can be applied via e-mail to DE3EAR@darc.de and will be
sent in PDF format free of charge.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Jul 28/29 RSGB IOTA Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Information about the IOTA Contest:
The IOTA Contest Team informs about some rule changes on their website:
http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/riota.shtml
For example:
- The World Multi OP category has been discontinued.
- Island Multi OP stations must identify Run and Multiplier stations
in their log.
- The scoring for Island to World and World to World QSOs has changed
The exact rules can be found on their website.

Island activities:
Due to the number of messages information is kept short this time.
The RSGB IOTA Contest will take place on the upcoming weekend of Jul 28/29.

AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: The contest station EF8U (OPs EA8ZS, EA8DP,
EA8RY, EA8AKN, EA8CST, EA8NL, EA8MT) is working from Gran Canaria
during the IOTA Contest. QSL via EA8URL. See: http://www.ea8url.com

AF-018, IH9, Pantelleria Iceland: Raffaele,IH9YMC, will be QRV from
Pantelleria (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, LOC JM56XT) in the IOTA Contest.
QSL via eQSL only.

AS-006, Paul,R2AD/W8AY, will be active as VR2/W8AY from Lamma Island
between July 28-30. Activity will be on 80m-10m in CW and SSB.
He will join the RSGB IOTA Contest as well. QSL via R2AD.

AS-061, R0K, Ratmanova Island: RA5A, RL3AA, RW3RN, UA3EDQ and UA9OBA plan to
become active as RI0K from Ratmanova Island (Big Diomede, AS-061) on
Jul 27-30 (incl. IOTA Contest). His next stop will be Alyumka Island
(AS-092) from where he will be QRV as RI0K/p from Aug 3-5.
QSLs for RI0K via RW3RN and for RI0K/p via UA9OBA.
See also: http://www.ri0k.ru

AS-074, 9M2, Selangor/Negeri Sembilan State group: 9M2FB will join the
IOTA Contest from Pulau Ketam (WLOTA 0150). QSL only direct via 9M2FB.

AS-083, R9K, Kara Sea Coast East group: Victor,RW0BG/p, plans to activate
Oleniy Island (RRA RR-06-06, RDA YN-12) from Jul 31 until Aug 1.
QSL via RW0BG (bureau/direct). The logs will be uploaded to the LoTW.

AS-099, TA, Canakkale/Balikesir/Izmir Province group: TA3X, TA3TTT, TA3GO
and TA3ATA will sign TC0P from Celebi Island in the IOTA Contest.
QSL via TA3X (d).

TA3J/0 will be QRV in SSB from Yassica Island (Loc KM38kj) during the
IOTA Contest. QSL via TA3J (bureau/direct).

AS-105, HL2, Kyonggi-Do Province group: HL1IWD, DS2AGH, WX8C and OH6RX will
be the OPs of DS0DX/2 from Kanghwa Island. QSL via HL1IWD.

AS-113, BV, Matsu Islands: BO0M is the call of a DXpedition by BV1EL, BV2DD,
BM2AAV, BV2KS, BV2NT, BX2AB, BX4AG, VR2SA and XX9LT to Matsu Island
(Loc OL96XD) from Jul 27-30.
QSL only direct to: A.R.T. QSL Service, PO Box 73-326, Taipei, Taiwan.

AS-137, BY5, Zhejiang Province North group: The Shanghai DX Club members
Xuhui,BD4CQ, Zhang,BD4DYH, Ming,BD4FM, Tony,BG4GMA, Siqing,BG4HRM,
Colin,BH4ACQ, and Feng,ON6WFO, will be active as BY4DX/5 from
Shengsi Island from Jul 27-29. QSL via BD4HF.

AS-147, JA8, Hokkaido's Coastal Islands: Taka,JA8COE/8, will once again be
active from Yagishiri Island (WFF JAFF-034 WLOTA 2512) from Jul 27-29.
QSL via homecall.

AS-158, BY2, Liaoning Province East group: Members of the Harbin Institute
of Technology Amateur Radio Club are on the air as BY2HIT/2 from
Guanglu Island (Loc PM19EE) between July 25-31. QSL direct via BY2HIT.
More information is available at: http://www.qsl.net/by2hit

AS-159, TA, Black Sea Coast West group: TC0KLH (and not TC2KLH as previously
announced) will be the callsign to be used from Kefken Island (AS-159,
ARLHS TUR-058, WLOTA 0691, Loc KN51DF, WEBLOTA 004) on July 27-29.
QSL via TCSWAT/TA1HZ (TA bureau). See also: http://www.tcswat.org

EU-004, EA6, Balearic Islands: Andrea,IZ2LSC, spends his holidays on the
island of Menorca (EAFF-061, WLOTA 2988) from Jul 24-30. He works in
holiday style as EA6/IZ2LSC in CW, SSB and digital modes on 30m-6m.
He also plans to participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall.
More information at: http://www.timpy.it/ea6

EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: Graham,MM0GHM, Gordon,MM0GOR, Allan,2M0VNW,
Peter,GM7AAJ, and Jason,GM7VSB, will be QRV as GM7A again in the IOTA
Contest from Gigha Island (IOSA NH24, SCOTIA CS23). QSL via GM7AAJ.

Graham,M6GCS, als MM6GCS/p is working from the Isle of Mull (IOSA NH15,
SCOTIA CN10, WLOTA 2485). QSL direct via M6GCS.

Members of the "Cockenzie and Port Seton Amateur Radio Club" (CPSARC)
will sign GM2T again in the IOTA Contest from Isle of Tiree (IOSA NH04,
SCOTIA DI10, WLOTA 2232, WAB NM04). QSL via GM4UYZ (bureau/direct).
The log will be uploaded to the LoTW.

Paul,M3KBU, will be QRV as MM3KBU/p from Lismore Island (IOSA FL01,
SCOTIA CN07) between Jul 28 and Aug 3. QSL only direct via M3KBU.

EU-011, G/M, Isles of Scilly: Nobby,G0VJG, will be signing G0VJG/p from
Saint Mary's Island (EU-011, WLOTA 0408, WAB NZ37) from July 27-30.
QSL only direct via homecall. QSL via G4DFI.

EU-013, GJ/MJ, Jersey: The Jersey Amateur Radio Society (GJ3DVC) contest
group will be active as GJ2A from St. Brelade on the Isle of Jersey
(WLOTA 0818) for the IOTA Contest. See: http://www.gj3dvc.org.je
QSLs for North America direct via K2WR, all others direct via GJ3DVC.

EU-016, 9A, Dalmatia South group: Brani,9A/OM2FY, will be QRV in CW from
the island of Brac (ACIA IC-657, CIA-04, IOCA CI-010, MIA MC-042,
WLOTA 0416, Loc JN83ii) during the IOTA Contest. QSL via OM2FY.

EU-020, SM1, Gotland County (Gotland Island) group: Eric,SM1TDE, will use
his contest callsign SA1A during the RSGB IOTA Contest from his QTH on
Gotland (EU-020, WLOTA 2969). QSL via SM1TDE, bureau preferred.
See also: http://www.sm1tde.bloggspace.se

EU-028, I5, Toscana (Tuscany) Region group: Francesco,IV3EDU, Paolo,IV3PUT,
Stefano,IV3LZQ, and Giovanni,IV3ODE, are going to visit Capraia Island
(IIA LI-020) from July 27-30. They will operate in CW, SSB and RTTY on
80m-10m and will participate in the IOTA Contest as IA5Z.
QSL via bureau or direct to IV3ODE. A log search will be available at:
http://www.arimanzano.it

EU-030, OZ, Bornholm Island: Carsten,OZ4CG, will be active from Ronne (DIA
BO-001, Loc JO75ic) during the RSGB IOTA Contest. He works in CW only.
QSL via homecall.

EU-031, IC8, Campania Region group: Gian,IC8WIC, joins the IOTA Contest from
Capri Island (IIA NA-006, MIA MI-015, WLOTA 2466). QSL via homecall.

EU-032, F, Poitou-Charentes Region group: Tom,ON5HC, will sign F/OO5C/p from
Ile d'Oleron (DIFM AT025, WLOTA 1369, LOC IN96HA). QSL via ON5HC.

Jacky,F4EGH (SSB), and Leon,ON4ZD/OS0S (CW), will be QRV as TM0BI
from the island Fort Boyard (DIFM AT026, DFCF 17003, WCA F-00517) on
Jul 25/26 (0700-1600 UTC) on the usual IOTA QRGs. QSL via ON4ZD.
See also QRZ.com.

EU-034, ES0,3, Hiiumaa/Saaremaa/Laanemaa County group: Andres,ES1AN,
Harald,ES1LS, Arvo,ES1QV, Toivo,ES2DJ, Juri,ES2EZ, Toivo,ES2RR, and
Mati,ES2QN, will be QRV als ES0U from Saaremaa Island (WLOTA 1401).
QSL via ES2DJ (bureau/direct).

EU-038, PA, Noord Holland/Friesland/Groningen Province group: Ray,PE1GUR,
will sign PA6FUN from Ameland Island (WLOTA 1059, Loc JO23vk) between
July 30 and Aug 15. He will work only on 6m. QSL via PE1GUR.

Paul,PA3FUN, Jerry,PH9HB, Jan,PD1AIQ, and Bram,PE1OPK, sind zum IOTA-
Contest from Island Texel (WLOTA 0043) als PA6NH QRV. QSL via PH9HB.

Dirk,PA7DN/p, is staying on Terschelling Island from July 23 until
Aug 1. QSL via PA7DN (bureau/direct).

EU-039, F, Chausey Islands: The OT9Z group will then head south to France
and plans to become active as F/OT9Z from Chausey Island (EU-039, DIFM
MA004, WLOTA 0424) from Jul 27-29. They will join the IOTA Contest
using the special callsign TM7T. QSLs for all operations via OT9Z.

EU-042, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: Peter,DC1HPS/p, will
be QRV in the IOTA Contest from Pellworm (GIA N-023, WFF DLFF-013,
WLOTA 1188). QSL via DC1HPS (bureau/direct).

EU-045, IB0, EU045 IB0 Lazio Region: IK8ENU, IK8TEO and IZ8FAV (CW), IZ0EGC
and IZ8IQL (SSB), IW0BTN and IZ0GZW (6m and 2m) are signing IB0F from
Ponza (EU-045, IIA LT-001) until July 31. QSLs via op's instructions.

EU-047, DL, Niedersachsen State group: Friedrich,DL4BBH, Ric,DL2VFR,
Dominik,DL5EBE, and Klaus,DL7UXG, will activate DM50IOTA from
Borkum (GIA N-001/WLOTA 1022) from Jul 27-29. QSL via bureau.
See: http://www.iota-expedition.com

EU-054, I*9, Egadi Islands: Sal,IF9/IT9BXR, plans to join the IOTA Contest
from Favignana Island (IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA 1545) only in CW.
QSL via IT9BXR (bureau/direct).

Michele,IF9ZWA/p, is also working from Favignana (Loc JM67DW) only
in SSB during the IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-073, I*7, Puglia (Taranto) Region group: Gianni,I7PHH, Davide,IK4DCT,
Vin,IK7IMO, Art,IK7JWY, Piero,IK7VJX, Roby,IK7XIV, Bartolo,IW7ECA, and
Luigi,IZ7PDX, will be the op's of IJ7A. They will join the IOTA Contest
from San Pietro Island (WW Loc JN80nk) from Jul 26-29.
QSL via IK7XIV (bureau/direct). See also: http://ij7a.jimdo.com and
http://www.hamradioweb.org/forums/forumdisplay.php?fh

EU-083, I*1, Liguria Region group: 19 members of the ARI section La Spezia
will be QRV as IP1T on 80m-10m from Isola del Tino (IFF IFF-218,
IIA SP-002, MIA MI-114, ITA ITA-058, WLOTA 0645). QSL via IZ5JLF.

EU-087, SM3, Vasternorrland County group: Adde,SM0SHG, and Olle,SA0BVX, will
sign SB3X from Bramon Island (WLOTA 0294) in the IOTA Contest.
QSL via SM0SHG (bureau/direct/L).

EU-088, OZ, Kattegat group: Klaus,OZ7KDJ, and Erik,OZ9V, will be QRV as
OZ8MW/p from Anholt Island from Jul 25-29. QSL via OZ8MW.

EU-091, I*7, Puglia (Lecce/Brindisi/Bari) Region group: Michele,IK7FPX,
Gilberto,IK7LMX, Gianarlo,IK7QMJ, Cesare,IK7XNF, Paolo,IK7UXW,
Angelo,IZ7CTE, Jean,IZ7SIA, and Ivo,9A3A/I7, are signing IQ7HK from
Capezzone Island (IIA LE-004, MIA MI-012, Loc JN80wg) in the IOTA Test.
QSL via IK7FPX (bureau/direct). See also: http://cisartaranto.jimdo.com

EU-092, GM/MM, Summer Isles: Jim,MM0BQI/p, will be active from Tanera Mor
(IOSA SC10, SCOTIA CN32) between July 26-30. Activity will include an
entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest using his contest callsign GM1J.
QSLs for both callsigns via MM0BQI.

EU-093, EA5, Alicante/Murcia Province group: Spanish operators from the
Asociacion Cultural Radioaficionados Costa Blanca, URE Dos Hermanas and
Adriatic DX Team will be active as ED5K from Tabarca Island (ARLHS
SPA-136, DIE E-006) during the IOTA Contest. Outside of the contest
the operators will sign ED5RKB in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160m-2m.
QSLs for both calls via EA5RKB. See also: http://acracb.org/tabarca

EU-096, OH1, Lansi-Suomi (Turku) Province group: Tony,OH1TD, will be active
from his summer home on Korpo Island (Loc KP00sd) during the upcoming
IOTA Contest. QSL via OH bureau.

Toni,OH3T/p, will be QRV from Lovo Island (EU-096) until July 27.
He will operate holiday style mainly on 20m. QSL via homecall.

Riku,OH2CI/p, will be QRV from Kustavi Island during the IOTA Contest.

A group of operators will be active as OH10TA from Kustavi Island
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Low-Power
entry. Preparations are been done and antennas are being tested for the
activation. They will also have equipment for 6m. Locator is KP00pn.
Kustavi Island is about 70km northwest from Turku City. QSL via OH1MN.

EU-103, EI/EJ, Saltee Islands: The Papa Lima DX Group members Adam,EI5JQ,
Oleg,EI7KD, Michal,SP9UUC, Arek,EI9KC, Dan,EI3JZ, Robert,EI6KD, and
Chris,SQ7NNM, will be QRV again as EJ0PL from Little Saltee Island
in the IOTA Contest. QSL via EI5JQ (bureau/direct).

EU-110, 9A, Istra group: S50X, S52P, S53F, S55Z and S56UGB will be active as
9A8ZRS from Sveti Ivan Island (EU-110) on July 24-30. They will have
two stations active on the HF bands, there may be some activities on
6m and 2m as well. All QSOs will be confirmed via the automatically.
QSL via S57L.

EU-114, GU/MU, Guernsey group: Ed,GW3SQX, will be QRV as GU7O from the
island of Guernsey (WLOTA 0013) in the IOTA Contest. QSL via GW3SQX.
See: http://www.g3sqx.net

A group of operators from the Hamtests Club will be active as MU0HTJ
from Guernsey (WLOTA 0013) on July 26-31, including the IOTA Contest.
QSL via 2E0SQL. See also: http://www.hamtests.co.uk

EU-121, EI/EJ, Irish Coastal Islands: Members of the Shannonbasin Radio Club
and Galway Radio Experimenters Club will activate Inis Boffin Island
as EJ3Z in the IOTA Contest. QSL via EI6GUB (bureau/direct).

EU-124, GW/MW, Welsh Coastal Islands: Members of the Dragon ARC will sign
GW4TTA from Holy Island in the IOTA Contest. QSL via GW4TTA.

EU-125, OZ, Jylland West group: Gaby,OZ/DF9TM, and Frank,OZ/DL2SWW, will be
QRV from Roemoe Island in the IOTA Contest. Gaby will join the contest
in SSB for 12 hours and Frank will join the contest in CW for the other
12 hours. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-127, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State South West group: Robert,DH8HD,
Joachim,DO3HJ, Olaf,DL4HG, Andy,DL7AT, and Ralph,DL3LED, will sign DA0T
in CW and SSB from Neuwerk (GIA N-012, WLOTA 2311) from Jul 26-30.
QSLs will be sent via GlobalQSL (via DL7AT) after their activity.

EU-129, DL/SP1, Usedom Island: Mike,DG5LAC/p, will be active from Usedom
(DLFF-075, WLOTA 1640, GIA O-13) on July 27-29. He will be QRV in SSB
on 80m-10m and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall.

The clubstation DL0KWH/p will be activated also from the island of
Usedom (DLFF-075, WLOTA 1640, GIA O-13) during the IOTA Contest.
QSL via DL0KWH.

A German group will be active as DM3X/p from Goermitz Island during
the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via DM3X (B).

Steven,DO6UL/p, will be active from Usedom between Jul 28 and Aug 10.
QSL via homecall.

EU-132, SP1, Szczecin/Koszalin Province group: Adam,DJ0IF, will sign SN0RX
from Wolin Island (SPIA SZ-002, WLOTA 4120) during the IOTA Contest.
QSL via SP8RX (bureau/direct).

EU-136, 9A, Kvarner group: Jozef,9A/OM5AW, is going to hit the airwaves from
Krk Island (ACIA IC-105, CIA-22, IOCA CI-046, MIA MC-185, WLOTA 1342).
Mario,9A/OM5MC, will join the contest only in SSB.
QSLs for both callsigns via OM2FY (bureau/direct).

Neven,9A5YY, will be QRV from Losinj Island running 100 watts in SSB
and CW QRV. QSL via 9A5YY (bureau/direct).

Another activity from EU-136 is planned by 9A4KJ/p from Rab Island.
QSL via homecall.

EU-137, SM7, Skane County group: Lars,SM6CUK, will once again be active as SA6G/7 from Ven Island (WLOTA 0780) from Jul 25-30. Activity will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall.

EU-140, OH5, Etela-Suomi (Kymi) Province group: Members of the OH5AD group and possibly others will be active as OG5A from Kuorsalo Island during the IOTA Contest. QSL via OH5AD.

EU-144, I*8, Calabria/Basilicata Region group: Members of the section "ARI of Cosenza" will join the IOTA Contest as ID8/IQ8CS from Dino Island (IIA CS-002). QSL via IQ8CS (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.aricosenza.it

EU-146, PA, Zuid Holland/Zeeland Province group: Louis,PA0LCE, Kurt,ON5UT, Arsene,ON4FE, Lieven,ON4PQ, Joel,ON6JM, Eddy,ON7PO, Pat,ON7PQ, and Walter,ON8LW, will be QRV as PF4C from Schouwen Duiveland (WLOTA 3089). QSL via ON4ON (bureau/direct).

Ronny,PA/ON6CQ, is also working in SSB from this island. QSL via ON6CQ.

EU-150, CT, Minho/Douro Litoral/Beira Litoral Province group: Members of the "Portuguese DX Group" (GPDX) will be QRV on the HF bands signing CT7/homecall from Insua (DIP MI-001, PIP NT-001, DCFP F-006, DCP CVC-046 and CVC-047, DMHP VC-017, VC-061, DFP FM-101, DMP 1602, DDFP CMN-12, Loc IN51nu) during July. They will join the IOTA Contest as CR6W. Look for some operators to stay a few days longer on Insua and activate the lighthouse (ARLHS POR-028, WLOTA 2869).
QSLs for CR6W via CS5DX (bureau/direct). All others via homecalls.
See also: http://www.to-mk.com/neu and http://gpdx.netpower.pt

EU-165, IM0, Sardinia's Coastal Islands: The second destination of the holiday trip of Jack,IZ3DBA, will be San Pietro. Listen for IM0/IZ3DBA working holiday style in CW and SSB on HF between Jul 30 and Aug 5.
QSL via IZ3DBA (bureau/direct).

EU-170, 9A, Dalmatia North group: Alen,9A3MA, Ivo,9A1AA, Zlatko,9A2EU, Rolando,9A3MR, Rax,9A3BMR, and Zik,DK8ZZ/VE3ZIK/YT3ZZ, will be QRV as 9A0D from Zirje Island (IOCA CI-151) in the IOTA Contest.
All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau automatically. Direct QSLs should be sent to DK8ZZ.

Laci,9A/HA6NL, Janos,9A/HA6PJ, Zsolti,9A/HA6PS, Sanyi,9A/HA7JJS, and 9A/HA7PL are working Pasman Island (ACIA IC-348, CIA-34, IOCA CI-085, MIA MC-291) in CW/SSB/digital modes on HF and 6m, incl. IOTA Contest.
QSLs via homecalls.

EU-172, OZ, Jylland East and Fyn group: Joergen, OZ0J, will be QRV as 5Q2T from Fyn (DIA FY-001, WLOTA 2690) in the IOTA Contest. QSL via OZ0J.

Henning,OZ1BII, will be active as OU2I from Aro Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.oz1bii.dk

EU-174, SV, Makedonia/Thraki Region group: HA0NAR will be QRV as SW8LR from Thassos Island between Jul 25 and Aug 1. He will work in CW/SSB/RTTY on

all HF bands plus 6m. QSL via homecall.

EU-177, SM5, Soodermanland/Ostergotland County group: Matt,DL3KUD, will be active as SM5/DL3KUD from Kaettiloe Island from July 27-29.
QSL via homecall.

EU-178, ES0,8, Parnumaa County/Saaremaa County South group: Juri,ES5GP/8, announced to be active as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu Island (WLOTA 0775) on Jul 25-30, including the IOTA Contest (SSB). QSL via homecall.

EU-181, LZ, Bulgaria group: LZ1CNN, LZ1GC, LZ1QN, LZ1QV, LZ2JR, LZ3YY and other OPs are signing LZ0I from Island Sveti Ivan (WLOTA 0121, ARLHS BUL-022) in the IOTA Contest. QSL via LZ1BJ (bureau/direct).

NA-010, VE1, Nova Scotia Province (Cape Breton Island) group: Alan,VE1AL, will be active from Cape Breton Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest.
QSL via VE1AL.

NA-029, VY2, Prince Edward Island: Operator Ken,K6LA, will operate from Prince Edward Island in Eastern Canada using the VY2TT superstation (Loc FN76vs, CISA PE-001) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (Jul 28-29).
QSL via K6LA.

NA-067, W4, North Carolina State East (Carteret to Currituck County) group: Nathan,N4YDU, will stay on Ocracoke Island (USi NC-001S, WLOTA 0466) from Jul 26 (2300 UTC) until Jul 29 (1200 UTC). Listen for W4O in the IOTA Contest. QSL only direct via N4YDU.

Sergej,K0KOC/p, is also working from Ocracoke Island (USi NC-001S, WLOTA 0466) using his Elecraft K3 (QRP 10 watts) in the digital modes JT65, PSK-31 and RTTY from Jul 26-30. QSL via K0KOC (bureau/direct).

NA-081, VE1 Nova Scotia Province East Group: John,VE1CDD, Barry,VE1TRI, Alan,VA1MM, Fraser,VE1WO, Sheldon,VE1GPY, and Greg,VY2MP, will show up as VC1X from Little Tancook Island in the IOTA Contest. QSL via VE1CDD.

NA-091, VE7, British Columbia Province South group: Robert,VE7RSV/p, is working in SSB from Brighton Island (CISA BC-026). QSL via homecall.

NA-092, W5, Texas State West (Cameron to Calhoun County) group: Jim,WD5IYT, plans to visit Mustang Island (USi TX-011S) during the IOTA Contest.
QSL direct via WD5IYT. The logs will be uploaded to the LoTW.

NA-126, VE1, Nova Scotia Province South group: Kevin,VE9MY, and Linda,VE9GLF will be active from John's Island (CISA NS-127) before, during and after the IOTA Contest. QSLs for both calls via VE9MY (see QRZ.com).
See also: http://www.qsl.net/ve9my

NA-128, VE2, Quebec Province (St Lawrence Waterway) group: Members of the "NA-128 Contest Group" activate the special callsign VX2I from the Ile Verte (CISA QC-015, LOC FN58, ARLHS CAN-244, WLOTA 1404, VRMS 004). Several stations will be active in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK63 from the lighthouse keeper's quarters from Jul 26-29. One station is set up only for 6m. They will take part in the IOTA Contest as well.

QSL via VE2CQ. For more information check: http://www.qsl.net/na128cg
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Another activity from this IOTA group is planned by Jean-Pierre,VA2SG,
Robin,VE2DRO, Claude,VE2ZOS, and Rock,VE2TCQ, signing VE2DRO in SSB and
CW from 40m-10m from Coudres Island (CISA QC009, WLOTA 2779).

NA-129, VE8, NWT (Banks Iceland) group: John,VE8EV/p, will activate
Banks Island (Loc CQ71, CISA NW-007) in the IOTA Contest.QSL via VE8EV.
See also: http://ve8ev.blogspot.com

NA-136, W1, Connecticut State group: Adam,W1ASB/p, attends the IOTA Contest
for 12 hours from Ram Island. QSL via W1ASB.

NA-137, W1, Maine State West (York to Knox County) group: Dave,N1EDU/p, is
spending his holidays on Bailey Island (USi ME-022S) and works in
holiday style on the HF bands until Jul 28. Dave will also try to
activate other islands in the Casco Bay. QSL via K1HRO (bureau/direct).

Several members of the Long Island DX Society will be active using the
N1LI contest station in Long Island/ME, during the RSGB IOTA Contest.
QSL via N1LI.

NA-139, W3, Maryland State East group: Stan,N2US/3, will activate the island
Assateague (WLOTA 4206, USi MD-001S) in the IOTA Contest. QSL via N2US.

NA-143, W5, Texas State East (Matagorda to Jefferson County) group:
Joe,K5KUA/p, is going to visit Galveston Island (USi TX-001S) again
from Jul 27-30. QSL via K5KUA.

Leslie,AD5WB, is resident on Galveston (USi TX-001S) and wants to join
the IOTA Contest this year. QSL via AD5WB. http://www.ad5wb.blogspot.de

NA-144, W6, California State South (Santa Barbara to LA County) group:
Jeff,W6UX, Rich,AE6RS, Steven,K6SGH, Kenan,KR6J, John,KQ6ES, and
Tim,N6GP, are planning a DXpedition to Anacapa Island (ARLHS USA-012,
WLOTA 1300, USi CA-002S, KFF-014). They will sign W6UX/p during the
IOTA Contest and homecalls/p before and after the contest. Since this
is a battery powered activity they will run only 50 watts.QSL via W6UX.

NA-148, W1 Massachusetts State North/New Hampshire Group: Scott,NE1RD, will
be active as NE1RD/1 from Lovell Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest.
QSL via homecall.

NA-150, KL7, Little Diomede Island: Yuri,N3QQ, and Tim,NL8F, might be active
as KL7RRC/p from Little Diomede Island (NA-150) on Jul 25-27. For
possible updates see http://ri0k.ru

OC-086, KH0, Northern Mariana Islands: Kirk,WE8A, visits Saipan (USi NI002S,
WLOTA 1333) from Jul 26-29. He will be QRV as WE8A/KH0 in SSB and CW
on 80m-6m with focus on the WARC bands. HIs preferred frequencies are:
CW: 10.106 MHz (+ up), 18.071 MHz (+ up) and 24.901 MHz (+ up).
SSB: 18.136 MHz and 24.936 MHz.
QSLs only direct to his address in Japan (see QRZ.com).

See also: http://blog.zaq.ne.jp/kirc/category/5

OC-130, DU8-9, Mindanao Island: After staying in Taiwan Bodo,DF8DX, will travel to Indonesia and stays on Mindanao (WLOTA 2803) from Jul until Aug 10. He will work as DU8/DF8DX on the HF bands and also in the IOTA Contest. If time permits, he will activate also other IOTA groups. QSL via DF8DX.

OC-142, VK4, Queensland State (South Coast) Centre group: VK4NM, VK4LAT and others will sign VK4NM from Fraser Island (WLOTA 2976, VKFF-216) from Jul 27-31. QSL via M0OXO (bureau/direct/L).

OC-150, YB, Tenggara Barat Islands: The "Organisasi Amatir Radio Indonesia" (ORARI) members Bimbo,YB3MM, Joppy,YB8XM, Kadek,YB9BU, Tjok,YB9BZ, Adi,YB9GV, Kardi,YB9KA, Adhianto,YC0OIL, Santika,YC9HIU, and Ferdiy,YC9MKF, will join the IOTA Contest as YB9IOTA from the island of Gili Trawangan. QSLs only direct via YB9BU.h
See also: http://www.mdxc.org/yb9iota

OC-227, VK4, Queensland State (Gulf of Carpentaria) South group: YL Lyn, VK4SWE, is resident on Sweers Island (Loc PH29TV) and has put up a big station meanwhile. She promised to join the IOTA Contest this year. QSL only direct or eQSL via homecall. More info and photos on QRZ.com.

SA-029, PY1, Rio de Janeiro State West group: Marcelo,PY1MT, Moreira,PU1MMZ, Mauricio,PU1SET, Jose,PY1MX, and Jair,PY1HS, will be QRV as ZV1M in CW and SSB on 80m-10m from Itacuruca Island (DIB RJ-08) from Jul 27-29. They plan to take part in the IOTA Contest as well. QSL via PY1MT.
See: http://www.casadoradioamador.blogspot.com

SA-047, PY5, Parana State group: The Perdigueiros Radio Team will be QRV as PR5D from Ilha do Mel (DIB PR-01, WLOTA 1435) from Jul 27-29. QSL only direct via PY5DC. Mehr info at: http://www.alcad.com.br/radio

NON IOTA: Chris,VE3CBK, plans to stay on Doe Island (CISA new One, Loc FN04xo) between Jul 28 and Aug 4. Listen for VE3CBK/p on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

WFF activities

URFF: EM0WFF (OP UX7MA) is working in SSB/CW on the usual WFF frequencies from the Priazovsky national park (URFF-049). QSL via UX7MA.

KFF: W3WFF/8 plans to work in CW and SSB on the HF bands from the Coopers Rock State Forest (KFF-630) between Jul 31 and Aug 3. QSL via N3GJ.

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1341. eHam.net News for Wednesday 25 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-25 22:43:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235485b43a4304c5af35cc@google.com>
Source record: 2408
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Radio Revelry:

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 05:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28669

Now before you think of smoked sausage, ham slices, or sausage patties with pancakes that is not the purpose of a Ham Fest. If you need an old radio transmitter, coaxial cable, antenna, or some other gadget, including a computer, then the Santa Rosa County Auditorium was the place to be Saturday. One individual even had an old police radar detector for the right price. But most of the old equipment needed the help of a guy like Mark Custracane. Why? Custracane has a hobby of selling old tubes like people use to find in their home stereos, television and other electrical equipment. Many amateur radio operators today still use the old style equipment because of the sound and quality of the transmitters and receivers.

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Ham Radio Lives On:

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28668

"There is a terrible rumor that ham radio is dead," said Kelly Klaas of the Magic Valley Amateur Radio Operators Club. The truth is, the activity is more popular than ever with more than 700,000 participants nationwide, he said Saturday during a seminar sponsored by Surviving in Style of Twin Falls. Eighteen people who have their Federal Communications Commission amateur radio license or are interested in getting one attended the event at Loong Hing Restaurant. Klaas, who has been licensed since 1966, emphasized the enjoyment that comes from talking with people from Alaska to Scotland. But he also pointed out that ham operators are a key communications link during emergencies because they can broadcast when other avenues are shut down. "In case of an emergency, your silly little iPhone is going to be a paperweight," Klaas said. Club officials said newcomers can get started for as little as $200. As involvement grows, most people sink more money into equipment, said Klaas, who admits he eats, sleeps and drinks ham radio. The Magic Valley club is a good place to learn the ropes. "If you have your license and want to get on the air, you will have an abundance of help," club member Jim Kennedy said.

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Special Thanks to '13 Colonies' Team:

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 05:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28667

I'd like to express a special thanks to Mr. Ken Villone, KU2US, and all of the event sponsors and operators associated with the "13 Colonies" Special Event over the 4th of July week.

1342. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 25 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-26 02:20:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf305b1290155b7304c5b23e6a@google.com>
Source record: 2409
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Tri-State Amateur Radio Association to host 50th Annual Hamfest - WOWK

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 11:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNETSe9srxlXoew-h2cXsUBnK4Perw&url=http://www.wowktv.com/story/19111459/tri-state-amateur-radion-association-to-host-50th-annual-hamfest

Tri-State Amateur Radio Association to host 50th Annual Hamfest
WOWK
The Tri-State Amateur Radio Association (TARA) will host the 50th Annual Hamfest in Huntington from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 11, according to a news release from the organization. The event will be at a new location for its golden anniversary at the ...

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Scouting radio jamboree Oct. 20 at Shabbona Park - MyWebTimes.com

Posted: 24 Jul 2012 09:15 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNERL-VkCtlRlEx2Xw4v4YtqxYZ4sA&url=http://mywebtimes.com/ottnews/archives/ottawa/display.php?id%3D459701

Scouting radio jamboree Oct. 20 at Shabbona Park
MyWebTimes.com
JOTA is an annual event in which Boy and Girl Scouts and Guides from all over the world speak to each other by means of amateur "ham" radio. Scouting experiences are exchanged, and ideas are shared via radio waves. Since 1958 when the first ...

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14 year-old Indian Radio Ham VU3TMO - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 12:05 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEXDjiNsfoTVmf9cPTjt6CoHoEVJA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/14_year_old_indian_radio_ham_vu3tmo.htm

14 year-old Indian Radio Ham VU3TMO
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Deccan Chronicle reports on fourteen-year-old Tom K. Jose VU3TMO from Hyderabad, a ninth grader who is on his way to creating a record in amateur radio contacts. The newsaper says Tom has made 1000 contacts in 97 countries across the world.

1343. HOT VIDEOS 2 HOT PEOPLE AND ACTRESSES NEVER SEEN PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-26 07:13:41 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a70c67fc-189f-4560-bb31-f6ae2197f942@a7g2000pbm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2410

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in

1344. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING JULY 29 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-26 09:47:39 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <e732425c-5aa5-44a4-96f0-35a79a1f9f6c@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2411
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-07-29.mp3
Text edition:

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING JULY 29 2012.

WINTER VHF-UHF Field Day Results

Robotics Fun Day

WIA Queensland Club President's lunch

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
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GO CHANNEL O.

The 50 MHz Channel 0 transmissions in southern NSW were terminated last month.
It included the main transmitter at Mt. Ulandra and translators at Cooma and
Narooma.

This leaves the final transmission in the country which is the translator
located within Tamworth. It too will soon be a thing of the past

(vk2wi)

Robotics Fun Day

As part of Australian Engineering Week, Macquarie University is hosting an afternoon of robotics fun and learning.

Robot enthusiasts of all ages are welcome to join in the fun.

Sunday 5th of August, 2pm - 4pm Building E7B Internal Courtyard, Macquarie University, North Ryde, Sydney.

For more information follow the links under news and events at: www.science.mq.edu.au

(sourced to Richard VK2SKY)

Confidence of a record ILLW year

With nearly 340 registrations so far in the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August, what will be the lucky 400th entry?

We have seen the Moritzburg light in Germany score the 100th followed by Point Fermin in the USA as 200th and St Tudwal?s lighthouse in Wales as the 300th.

Organisers of the fun event held on the third weekend of August are ready for the 400th registration and as it seeks to break last year's record of 470 from 55 countries.

Several nations are meeting their total at this time with a virtual flood of registrations in the final weeks.

To register online, read the guidelines, check on tallies or see the statistics, visit the website ILLW.NET

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend will be held on August 18 and 19.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

REDCLIFFE PIRATE

About 2 weeks ago several club members were addressed by a pirate station on the Redcliffe repeater. The station was using the call sign, VK4NFL. You will be pleased to know that the ACMA who have located the station and the matter is now in the hands of the Commonwealth legal authorities.

WIA
President Michael Owen VK3KI president@wia.org.au
Vice President Phil Wait VK2ASD vk2asd@wia.org.au
Secretary Sarah Thompson VK3AUD secretary@wia.org.au
Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ vk3pz@wia.org.au

21st of July saw the WIA Queensland Club President's lunch hosted by the Hervey Bay Amateur Radio Club.

We are now joined by QAC Member Don Wilschefski VK4BY.

"Michael Owen spoke about the WIA participation in the World Radio Conferences. It is very important to participate in the process leading to major international meetings to ensure amateur radio interests are protected. The WRC and other meetings are held in Geneva in Switzerland.

The issues discussed were:

Amateur allocation below 500kHz made at WRC - 12.

A proposal from Cuba at WRC- 12 for a secondary amateur allocation around 5.25 to 5.45 MHz is now on the agenda for the next WRC in 2015. This will be very difficult.

Threats to amateur bands from other proposals to WRC 15.

Michael Owen is seeking feedback from members on its commitment to representing the amateur service in work associated with the WRC.

Loss of 420-430 Mhz. From 1ts January 2013 this band segment will no longer be available at least for general amateur use. The main users at the moment are some 70 licensed repeater links, with 35 licensees. The WIA is coordinating the frequency changes. Only 3 other countries in the world have an amateur allocation in this segment.

ACMA. ACMA (Australian Communications and Media Authority) is very busy with 400Mhz frequency reallocations at the moment and delays are occurring with frequency approvals for repeaters etc. delays of 3 months are experienced.

As the Amateur LCD will require amendment to deal with the changes to the 420 430 MHz sub-band and the new allocation below 500 kHz, the WIA hoped that the power limit for advanced licensees could be changed at the same time, as the higher power trial had not revealed any real problems."

Those who take the local VK4 news, QNEWS, will hear much more of the President's Lunch when Don VK4BY re-joins for today's edition. Listen hear:- http://www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_32.mp3

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Today Sunday 29 of July, the Homebrew Group will be holding their bi monthly technical meeting at Dural. This meeting will be after the Trash and Treasure, at 1pm.

At the meeting Mark Blackmore VK2XOF the Dural Engineer will be discussing switch mode power supplies. The talk will be about conversion of surplus switching power supplies to amateur use.

Everyone is invited and if you are new to the hobby, then get along and see how you can make your own equipment. If you are old to the hobby, then see what you have been missing.

1 pm at the transmitter site, 63 Quarry Road Dural.

(sourced to vk2wi)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Meetings with speakers introduced

The first quarterly meeting with a speaker is to be held by Amateur Radio Victoria in August.

The Tuesday nights of August 14 and November 13 have been chosen in addition to February 10 during the Centre Victoria RadioFest and the Annual General Meeting on May 14.

The speaker nights on the 3rd Tuesday of August and November start at 8pm, and the speaker session will follow to AGM in May, are held at 40g Victory Boulevard, Ashburton.

The first will be the popular Mark Tell who brings the very latest from the ACMA world of radio inspectors.

The varied work they do to track down interference, as well as ensure that all spectrum users are aware of the regulations.

Put it in your calendar now, Tuesday August 14 at 40g Victory Boulevard, Ashburton, 8pm for the Amateur Radio Victoria speaker night.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

TARC WIA Exams Information

Exam sessions in the North Queensland region are held on demand with WIA Assessors. Assessment packs are available for all 3 levels of licensing.

Contact theTARCinc WIA Exam Regional Co-ordinator Ray/VK4NET on home phone 4723 4351 to have a mutually suitable date and WIA Assessor assigned to you.

(sourced to TARC newsletter)

HIPPY IPPY

This year the Ipswich and District Radio Club celebrates 50 years since the club was established in 1962.

To mark this significant event in the club's history a celebration dinner will be held on Saturday August 25 in the functions rooms of the Ipswich Turf Club.

More details will be posted on the club website www.vk4wip.com in the days ahead, or contact club treasurer John Edwards VK4IE to reserve your seat and arrange payment. (Phone 07 3379 6296 or jkedw@bigpond.com)

Hear more on QNEWS,

http://www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_32.mp3

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania Inc.

http://reast.asn.au/

August Presentation - Homebrewing the Electrochemical Way!

Ever wanted to try your hand at Chemistry? Well, the August presentation may just be up your alley! Mike Harris formerly VK7ACQ was a Chemist in the dim dark past and has been doing some experimenting with homebrewing electrochemical apparatus.

Mike has homebrewed such a cell from a modified arc welder and other items to produce such a functioning cell.

This should be a fascinating presentation and one to warm your homebrewing hearts....HIHI.

When - 1 August 2012 from 7:30pm

Where - Queen's Domain Clubrooms.

VK8

Hello this is Spud VK8ZWM from the Darwin Amateur Radio club.

Firstly our weekly gatherings on a Thursday morning between 10 and 12 at the clubrooms in sport's house waratah crescent Fannie Bay continue with a steady stream of members and visitors to the top end.

The next gathering of the Darwin Amateur Radio Club will be on the first of August at 7pm. The evening will start with a Special General Meeting to approve the constitutional amendments that the committee have pored over for several months and not put to the vote. We need at least 20 members there or by signed proxy vote for the amendments to pass.

Following will be a discussion about the clubs entry into the RD contest and the International Lighthouse weekend. Also up for discussion is the Swap Meet being held on the holiday Monday the 6th of August. Sellers arrive around 8am Doors open at 9am, tables $5.00 each BBQ lunch, The after lunch activity will be an auction of donated items. For further information or to book a table, contact Alan VK8AB.

That's it from me Spud VK8ZWM for now, remember keep an ear out for VK8DA in the RD especially on 40

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call? (20120226 on July 22)

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

The joys of Amateur Radio involve the mystical ability of a piece of wire to resonate and transmit our voice or other data across the radio air-waves. It's a tricky business which involves the length of the wire, it's proximity to other objects and the difference in impedance between the wire and the radio. Having all the information in one place seems to be a challenge and each amateur you speak to has a whole set of personal experience which may or may not contradict the experience of the next amateur you speak with.

I just spent a very enjoyable hour and a half speaking with several other amateurs in a group discussion about the challenge one amateur was having with their multi-band HF antenna.

It goes a little like this:

You have a multi-band antenna and you pull it out of its packaging, only to find that you need to tune the thing. So you read the instructions which say that you should start with the shortest length, tune that, then work your way up. It even tells you how to set-up your antenna while you're doing this. Of course, nothing is ever that simple. Once you've tuned it, you climb on your roof, bolt the contraption in place and find that nothing is the same. Worse still, you really need to be in two places at the same time, at your antenna analyser on the ground and at your antenna on the roof.

Simple, you just get two people, only, the person on the roof and the aluminium antenna that got them there affect the antenna. So, you need an RF invisible person and a wooden ladder, or you just need more help, more calculations, or more patience.

So, now you've got this magic gadget pretty close, but you still have more hair to loose. The antenna rusts, conductivity changes, you name it.

This to me is what the thrill of Amateur Radio is all about, experimentation and learning, interacting with others and trying stuff. My recommendation if you're ever pulling out your hair, remember, Amateur Radio is older than you. There are many people around who have gone this path before, so don't re-invent the wheel, ask another amateur, you're likely to find someone who has done what you're trying and has solved the problem before.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

THERE'S A BUCK IN IT

Last week we made mention of the forthcoming August 5 implosion of the old NewsTalkZB Christchurch building, not occupied since the 2011 Quake

The contractor responsible for the implosion of Christchurch's Radio Network House has high hopes for large bids being placed for the rights to push the button.

The Trade Me auction has already reached over $6700, with the money raised going towards the rebuild of the Issac Theatre Royal.

Thai radio operators make their case at public hearing

More than a thousand representatives from broadcast radio stations in Thailand attended a NBTC public hearing about draft radio rules.

It is reported police intervened during the heated hearing.

The National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (NBTC) say there are 7,000 registered radio operators in Thailand airing programmes on the AM and FM radio frequencies.

thaivisa.com/forum/topic/571418-radio-operators-make-their-case-at-nbtc-public-thailand/

New DXCC entity Kosovo soon?

Almost four and a half years after obtaining its independence the Kosovo, former province of Serbia, shall receive its full sovereignty in September.

This was decided by the International Steering Group, as the Austrian Foreign Minister Michael Spindelegger announced in Vienna last Monday.

Accordingly, the group decided to end international supervision with immediate effect to support the independence of Kosovo.

25 countries are belonging to the International Steering Group, including Germany and most other EU countries, the United States and Turkey.
The concept of "supervised independence" was invented by the former Finnish UN Special Envoy for Kosovo Martti Ahtisaari. The meeting of the group in Vienna was attended also by the Kosovo Prime Minister Hashim Thaci.

OPEN AND SHUT CASE

A radio signal being transmitted out of a USA submarine base is likely behind reports of garage doors failing to open and close in southeastern Connecticut, the U.S. Navy said.

The signal is part of the radio system used by the military to coordinate responses with civil emergency workers, said a spokesman for the submarine base.

Because garage door openers are unlicensed devices, they are not offered any protection from interference by licensed users in the same frequency band.

The problem, first reported by The Day of New London, is that the same frequency is used at very low levels by the manufacturers of garage door openers. The signals from remote controls to open or close the doors are blocked by the signal from the base.

smh.com.au/technology/technology-news/navy-radio-cripples-garage-doors-20120724-22lkz.html
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HOT COPPER - WIRE LESS

Calgary police in Canada have created a special unit to target copper wire thieves as the number of thefts continues to rise.

Last month, the CBC was hit when $50,000 worth of copper wire was stolen from its transmitter site in southwest Calgary.

The price of the metal is rising and so are the number of thieves hoping to cash in. Offenders see the crime as extremely high reward, they can easily steal copper and turn it around for cash and they see it as low risk because, typically, in the past they have not been arrested and the courts have not looked at copper theft with the magnitude they do now."

Flooding hits Chinese capital

Heavy rain, described as the worst in the area in more than 60 years, hit Beijing last week reportedly killing 37 people.

The commercial communication was operating as normal in the urban area.

As part of their service to the community radio amateurs using VHF and UHF radios reported from the disaster areas, and participated in the actions to help people back home.

Beijing hosted the 2008 Olympic Games and more heavy rain is expected across parts of China.

The IARU society, Chinese Radio Sports Association CRSA, takes part in an annual disaster drill as it prepare for disasters.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee and Bin Fan B1HAM (text edition only))

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

STOPPING COPPER THEFT IN ITS TRACKS

British Telecom is taking on copper cable thieves.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW, has the details:

A new tool has been unveiled in the United Kingdom to literally locate copper wire thefts as they are taking place.

Called the Rapid Assessment British Telecom Incident Tracker or RABIT, this computer based program has the ability to monitor all 120 million kilometres of cable on British Telecom's phone network.

RABIT is a real-time system based on a neural network that has been trained to sense the difference between a telecommunications cable being severed and a cable that has gradually failed. It does this by undertaking line tests and bandwidth measurements to home in on a

tell-tale signature of a cable cut. This event
data is then immediately plugged into an incident
monitoring system which gives British Telecom's
security staff a national view of trouble spots
on its networks, including cyber-attacks.

I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, in Charleston, West Virginia, reporting.

The industrial scale theft of copper telecommunications cables is a massive world-wide problem. In the UK alone, cable worth £770 million pounds was stolen from overhead and buried telephone lines and railway signalling systems in 2011.

ARRL SAYS NEW EXECUTIVE ORDER POSES NO THREAT TO HAM RADIO

According to the ARRL, an executive order dealing with telecommunications
poses no threat to the amateur radio service.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reports:

On Friday, July 6th the White House released an
Executive Order signed by President Obama that
addresses the National Security and Emergency
Preparedness communications functions of the
federal government. Contrary to some concerns
raised in a few amateur radio circles, the order
does not appear to contain any threat to the
Amateur service or its ability to continue
support communications during times of emergency
or disaster. It also poses no threat to hams for
continued access to their spectrum.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, Scottsdale, Arizona.

N1ND says that a good summary of the content of the Order can be found at
tinyurl.com/new-communications-order

MONTREAL STATION TORCHED AFTER CRITICIZING FORMER HAITIAN DICTATOR

A Haitian radio station in Montreal, Canada, has
been hit by arsonists. This, after hosts
criticized the country's former dictator.

CPAM 1610 AM was set ablaze following calls by
show hosts for a criminal trial for Jean-Claude
Duvalier, who returned to that nation last year.

CPAM's north-end administrative offices were
partially destroyed and the studio suffered water
damage, rendering it useless. A spokesperson for
the Montreal fire department said the front
window of CPAM 1610's studio was smashed and a
fire lit near the broken glass at about 4 a.m.
Monday July 2nd. Another fire was started at the
back of the second floor where the station's office is located, he said.

Engineers had the station back on the air about
10 hours after the attack from an alternate
studio location. According to its management,
CPAM is a beacon for the more than 100,000
Haitian expatriates in Montreal who form the
largest such community in Canada.

ITALY CLOSING NATIONAL SOUND ARCHIVES

Italy is shutting down its famed National Sound Archives.
This as a likely result of the continuing economic downturn
that has hit many European nations.

On July 6th, a simple 12 line document was signed
by the government to shut down the archive of
priceless audio history dating back to the dawn
of the machine recording. According to one
source there are close to half a million
recordings housed in the Italian archive.

The big concern now among preservationists is
that unless another such museum such as the
United States Library of Congress takes over the
Italian archive, that it could wind up being sold
off on the streets or on an on-line auction site,
piece by piece. More is on-line at
www.artsjournal.com

MEET COLBY AND VISIT HIS CORNER

And finally this week the story of an inquisitive
pre-teen who has his first experience with ham
radio with a television camera watching and
recording the event. The young man's name is
Colby, he's 9 years old, and he is the star of a
new children's television series called Colby's
Corner that recently began airing on Christian
Television Network station WLCN in Summerville, South Carolina. .

The theme of the show is very simple. Its Colby
learning about various aspects of life by
experience as would any other youngster. Only
Colby is sharing his encounters with the kids who
watch on WLCN. And one of his recent trips took
him to a ham radio station operated by Vince Lombardo, K4AOC.

For those of you who are out of the coverage of
WLCN but would like to watch Colby learn about
ham radio from a real pro, that episode and all
of the others can be seen on line on YouTube. A
direct link to the one we have been describing is
tinyurl.com/colbys-ham-radio. The show also has
a website at www.colbyscornertv.com

I'M FELIX VK4FUQ AND AHEAD OF OPERATIONAL NEWS, AND FURTHER FROM OUR RD CONTEST MANAGER IT'S THE QNEWS WORK BENCH -- and a safety talk.

On Wednesday the 1st of August, the St. George Amateur Radio Society will be having another one of their monthly gatherings at Kyle Bay and it will feature a discussion about safety.

Amateur radio can be a dangerous hobby, not only high voltages and RF exposure, many amateurs involved in homebrewing or repairing their own equipment can be exposed to potentially dangerous chemicals, such as lead in solder and even PCB (Poly Chlorinated Bi-phenols) in old capacitors and transformers.

Other hazards involve falling off roofs and towers or having things fall on you and your family!

This discussion can alert you to the possible dangers and what strategies others have used to minimise the hazards so if you're in the area of the St George club pop along August One.

NOW SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Two Croatian amateurs are with the NATO-led troops in Afghanistan. They are Maj and Vlado and can now be heard as T6TJ and T6VT respectively until the end of September. QSLs for both operators go via 9 A 6 AA.

South Essex Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB 1 HF close to the Olympic mountain biking course at Hadleigh Farm in South Essex. The station will be operated at various times and days on several bands and modes from until 28th August.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW ALARA August 25-26
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK SPRING VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

Now WINTER VHF-UHF Field Day Results

The WINTER Field Day results have been finalised. Full details are on the Field Day page on wia.org.au

One interesting feature is that this is the first Field Day where VK2 stations have won three sections - and it is also the first event in which VK3 stations have won NONE.

Congratulations to the section winners Matt Hetherington VK2DAG, Steven Harrison VK2XDE, the Sunshine Coast club VK4WIS, Keith Minchin VK5AKM, and Justin Lavery VK2CU. And congratulations to all.

It was good to see an increase in activity by Foundation licensees in the single operator sections. They will receive an extra "F Call Challenge" certificate.

John vk3km REMINDS ALL The next Field Day will be November 24/25.

RD CONTEST INFORMATION

Hello, this is Alan, VK4SN, RD Contest Manager.
Remember to keep
August 11th and 12th free for the RD contest.

This year, a new start and finish time of 0300z applies. That's 1PM
eastern Australian Time.

To clarify some questions I have received by email

Q1 Are separate logs required for HF and VHF?

A1 You may submit separate logs if you wish but all contacts can

be made on one continuous log. If you are using an all band
radio,
it is much easier this way.

Q2. What exchange is used by a club when operators come and go?

A2. If the number of years of the clubs longest licenced member is not known,
then use the longest licenced operator at the club at the start of the
contest. Once the number is decided
it is to be used as the exchange for
the entire contest.

Some have made comment about mandatory computer logging and supplying
cabrillo format outputs. This may be the case in
future years, but for now
paper logs are still accepted if
one does not have the know-how to use
computers or logging programs.

If you wish to form a team, remember to email the contest manager with your
selected team members . All info can be found in the rules.

Till next week, this is Alan, VK4SN

AWARDS

The awards programme has come together very well under the stewardship of
Bob Robinson VK3SX and shortly the new on-line database to replace the
excel spread sheets will enter testing phases - Robert VK3DN is putting the
finishing touches on this and it derives much of its flexibility from the
work previously done with the VK100WIA on-line log book.

The awards committee is seeking suitable candidates for card checkers.

Basically the requirements are similar to the ARRL card checker requirements
Currently we have Chris VK1GG, Laurie VK7ZE and Steve VK6IR

Ultimately we would like one in every state so if your state is not currently
covered please apply with your resume referring to the ARRL standards as a
reference.

Regards

Trent Sampson vk4ts@wia.org.au

Wireless Institute of Australia - Director for Awards and Contests

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

The BLUE MOUNTAINS ARC repeater carries the AMSAT-VK monthly net from 8:30 PM the second Tuesday of each month, next event on the 14th of August.

Fifty years ago, an antenna in Maine, USA, transmitted a television signal up into space, where it was received by the Telstar satellite, launched earlier that month. Telstar retransmitted the signal to the other side of the Atlantic, allowing Europeans to view a live press conference by President John F. Kennedy. That broadcast was the public debut of Telstar, widely considered the beginning of an era in satellite communications that has revolutionized our world.

Telstar was, initially, a major technology accomplishment, demonstrating that a satellite could serve as a television (and other telecommunications) relay station.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

Central Coast Amateur Radio Club International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend.

The Central Coast ARC is partnering with the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia to activate Newcastle's Nobbys Head Lighthouse in this year's event.

This is the second year that this lighthouse has been activated by the CCARC after a long period of no public access.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

The Shahzada in the week long, 400 km horse endurance event at St Albans to the north-west of Sydney, commences on Monday, August 27th, and concludes on Friday the 31st.

The Trek for Timor will be in the Blue Mountains this year, Saturday 15th of September. Registration is open for teams of 4 to 6 walkers to walk 5, 13, 25 or 45km through some of the most spectacular tracks of the World Heritage listed Blue Mountains Nation Park.
For event details visit: www.trekfortimorbm.org.au

WICEN Victoria are involved in 2 events during the next quarter.

If you are available to participate in any of these events, please get in touch with the contact listed for the event.

Saturday October 20th Mini Canoe Marathon Echuca
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313 Email: gerwer01@gmail.com

Sunday October 21st Stockman's Rally Big River
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565 Email: ifm@live.com.au

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

JULY 29 VK2/3 Albury Wodonga ARC HamFest @ Lavington Scout Hall

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

AUG 25 VK4 50 YEARS OF IPSWICH AR CLUB DINNER ITC

AUG 26 VK2 Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club WinterFest.

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

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wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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Another poor week, even Saturday and Sunday refused to rally. So we hit the summer doldrums. Just when the weather gets hot and the Olympics start. Not that I'll be going to any events. Plus.. Dave VK5MRD struggles with a whopper dog while trying to play radio, and Arie 9W2VVH gets a surprise contact - and an ARRL certificate to go with it..

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Free University course on Internet History, Technology and Security, starts with Bletchley Park

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A free course from the University of Michigan started this week on the Coursera website about the History of the Internet

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Orkney Wireless Museum

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This video shows the wireless museum in Orkney. GB2OWM will be on the air from the museum September 6-12 for the Orkney Science Festival

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Special event station N8M

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Listen for special event station N8M operating from the Henry Ford/Greenfield Village (Detroit) Maker Faire July 28-29

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Video of TV News report on ISS contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R9-Z_AlwOqU/video_of_tv_news_report_on_iss_contact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

YNN (channel 9) reports on an 'out of this world' amateur radio contact between campers attending RIT's Everyday Engineering Program in Rochester and astronaut Sunita Williams KD5PLB

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Confidence of a record ILLW year

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pl4IMqtR964/confident_of_a_record_illw_year.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With nearly 340 registrations so far in the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in August, what will be the lucky 400th entry?

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Flooding hits Chinese capital

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YvJIbDTJeqE/flooding_hits_chinese_capital.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Heavy rain, described as the worst in the area in more than 60 years, hit Beijing last week reportedly killing 37 people

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15th International EME Conference

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kmSC62pnEpI/15th_international_eme_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK Microwave Group are hosts to the 15th International EME Conference which is to be held at Churchill College Cambridge in August 2012

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Busy year for Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6-1uKHCqRTU/mid_ulster_amateur_radio_club_2012_summer_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It’s the end of another eventful club year for the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

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1929 Ham Radio Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Mvbw-yYKiSw/1929_ham_radio_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ever wondered what a ham radio station looked like in 1929? W0VLZ shows you in this video

1346. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-26 11:39:10 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120726113841.E95589B800F0@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2413
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-07-26
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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** MMMonVHF.de is very proud to welcome its 4000 registered user ! **

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It is HK3EME - a special call sign from Colombia that will surprise us,
perhaps with special activities. Thank you on behalf of the entire MMMonVHF.de
team for the years of trust that has made us the number one VHF portal.

** HOLIDAY TIME **

As well as yourself, several of our editors are on holiday and so
it might be not possible to have all functions and mails answered
in the normal and short time as you know a responce from our Team.
Please be so kind an be patient - as well we do need holiday!!!

** Possible services unavailable! **

Please be informed that on July 19th some services at MMMonVHF
might be not working properly or be unavailable due to scheduled
maintenance of a supporting server! Sorry for this inconvenience!

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: OH ; Square: KP53-KP07-KP03 ; start 2012-07-09 **

Peter PA3BIY traveling through OH & SM with 2m station.
LATEST NEWS by Peter, dated 2012-07-25: We arrived yesterday in JP72pw. The QTH is
quite OK and so is the weather! We will stay here until Friday morning July 27th.

Activity is every morning, starting around 05z till +/- 09z. And may be some activity
in the evening as well. I will be on ON4KST for more details during my activity.
News by Peter, PA3BIY, dated 2012-07-17: Peter just send a note that he
might not be qrv from KP46 - NEWS by Peter, PA3BIY, dated 2012-07-15:
Due to a very great help of Jussi, OH6ZZ, Peter is ready again with
his setup! Tomorrow morning last day n KP53, then to KP45 or 46
(Kuusamo area). SOURCE: tnx to Peter, PA3BIY direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OX ; Square: HP15 ; start 2012-07-28 **

OX3LX qrv from HP15EO on HF, 2m 4m and 6m Again this year I have
some work to do in HP15 so therefore I will be QRV when not at QRL
on 2m,4m and 6m. It will also be possible to find me on HF 1.8-30
MHz where I am QRV from NA-151. Main focus is 2m EME and 4m Es
Setup is: 4m/6m 100W 4 elm duoband. 2m 1KW M2-5WL 17 elm yagi with
manual elevation and azimut. QRG's will be decide when on site.
please find me on EU/NA ON4KST or JT65 EME chat
SOURCE: tnx to OZ1DJJ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SP ; Square: JO84 ; start 2012-08-05 **

Rolf, DK2ZF will be qrv from Holiday Place in JO84TH Holiday style -
most of the time will be fishing.. hopefully succesful ! But will
join the Perseids !!! No internet - its an isolated site - 70.200
with QSX 69.950/990 for DL
SOURCE: tnx to Rolf, DK2ZF, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EI ; Square: IO42 ; start 2012-08-09 **

EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD - LATEST NEWS from EI8IQ,
dated 2012-07-12: EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD
We hope to be QRV from the evening of the 9th to the afternoon of
the 13th from IO42.(Dates may vary). Will be on ON4KST when operation
starts. Equipment,QRG,s,Modes,Dates to be decided and when confirmed
will be updated here. QSL Direct or via Bureau. For direct QSLs please
send via EI8IQ with donation to cover return postage.
SOURCE: tnx to EI8IQ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA: Norway ; square JP60 ; start 2012-08-11 **

LA9DFA will activate JP60bg again this year. Primary target will be 144MHz,
but if more operators go with me this time, perhaps we will do some 70MHz and 50MHz to.
Will go to JP60bg sometime between July 23 and 29 to setup antennas for 144MHz.
Will do some operating that day to test antennas and PA. Will announce this on
ON4KST chat in advance. It's weather depended. Will use 2x9el and a 250W on 144Mhz.
Frequency and mode will be announced on ON4KST chat. Will operate random and please follow
me on Shout for info about beamheadings, frequency and tx-periode and so on.
Found that the following hams do need JP60 on 144MHz:
DD3SP DF5NK DF6YL DG1VL DG9YIH DH6DAO DH6JL DJ6AG DK5DQ DK7BY DK7LFG DL0UL DL1RNW DL1SUZ
DL3YEE DL4DWA DL5WG DL6ZAU DL9MCC DM1CG EI8IQ ES3RF F5JKK G1CWP G8VHI GW8IZR GW8JLY HA6NQ
HA6NY HB9DFG HB9FAP I3LGP I5WBE IK4PMB IV3DXW LA4YGA OE3MWS OH3JP OH3KLJ OH4GGW OH5LID
OH6UW
OH8MGK OK1MZM OK1UAK ON4IMM ON4IQ ON7GB OZ1ANA OZ1DJJ PA2M PA3ECU PA4EME PA4PS PA5MS PE1AHX

PE1IKX PE1OPK PG1A RA1OFH RU3ACE RX3QFM S51AT S53J S54O S54AA S55AW S57EA S57SU SM5HUA
SP6NVN
US2YW UT5ER YL2CZ YO2BBT YU7KB
Hope to see you during Perseids, if not before!!
Stay tuned.
SOURCE: tnx to Morten LA9DFA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM: Scotland ; square IP90 ; start 2012-08-20 **

GM6VXB/P qrv from IP90NT

Will be in IP90 for four days (work during day)and will try to work MS
or E's (if conditions). Operations will be early mornings and late evenings work
permitting. KST is possible but intermittent so MS calls will be random on 370/QSY.
Only small setup, 120 Watt to 9 el yagi on 144 or 100 Watt to 5 el yagi on 50

SOURCE: tnx to Martin, GM6VXB, direct to MMMonVHf

** DXCC: DL ; Square: JO44 ; start 2012-08-25 **

Andy DG3XA will be qrv from the Island of Amrum JO44EP
QRV 144 Mhz with 50 watts @ 3 ele / 6m with Dipol TRXV: IC 7000 very
small rig, because i carry my rig by bike on the island.
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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Mek SP7VC and Waldi SP7IDX will be active as LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC
from Mageroya isl. EU-044,QTH: locator KQ21VC at Nordkapp at the
Barents Sea - between 20.07-29.07.2012 - We will work in holiday style
(we also go fishing).We plan to use 2 stations: the first for HF band
the second for the 50Mhz. We will operate on bands from 80 to 6m on
ssb, rtty, also in IOTA Contest 2012
SOURCE: tnx to Mek, SP7VC, direct to MMMonVHF

** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1347. Beecher Island special event station Sept 14-16, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-26 14:49:02 UTC
From: wboas@nyx.net
Message-ID: <Pine.GSU.4.63.1207260844440.26422@nyx.nyx.net>
Source record: 2414

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: Ron Peterson, K0LMD
k0lmd@yahoo.com

SPECIAL EVENT STATION "N0B" TO OPERATE DURING BEECHER ISLAND BATTLE MEMORIAL CELEBRATION SEPT 14-16, 2012

Amateur radio special event station "N0B" will be operating from the historic Beecher Island battlefield in Yuma County, Colorado during the annual Beecher Island Battle Memorial Celebration the weekend of September 14-16, 2012.

The event commemorates the 144th anniversary of the historic battle between U.S. Calvary troops and Plains Indians fought September 16, 1868.

Station manager Ron Peterson, K0LMD, of Wray, Colorado said the station will operate on a primary frequency of 14268 Khz, with backup at 7268 Khz depending on propagation characteristics. On Friday, Sept. 14 he plans to be on the air from Noon to 5pm and 8pm to Midnight; Saturday, Sept. 15, as working schedule allows; and Sunday, Sept. 16 from 8am-11am and from 3pm to 8pm. All times local time: Mountain Daylight (UTC -6 hours). He will be assisted by Bill Boas, KC0IZI of Wray. A certificate is planned for check-ins and "county hunters" wishing one. SASE K0LMD, A web page with this notice, photos, and developing information is now posted on the Internet at: www.nyx.net/~wboas/beecher.html.

The Beecher Island battlefield is located 39.86N, 102.18W, grid square DM89vu - about 15 miles SSE of the city of Wray the county seat of Yuma County in Eastern Colorado. County hunters welcome.

Historic information about the battle may be found by an Internet search for "Beecher Island battle" and at:
www.wrayco.net/museum_beecher.html

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1348. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 26 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-26 16:41:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934070fca985804c5be4552@google.com>
Source record: 2415
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Sn7h iaru chamipnship

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 08:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355484-Sn7h-iaru-chamipnship&goto=newpost

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TT8TT Chad

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 07:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355470-TT8TT-Chad&goto=newpost

Members of the Italian DXpedition Team will be active from Chad in October 2012 as TT8TT

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/tt8tt_chad/

73 Al 4L5A

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EPCOT 30 year anniversary

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 04:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355415-EPCOT-30-year-anniversary&goto=newpost

Can we get the following posted in publications &/or websites for Special events for October 2012.

Lake Buena Vista, FL.

WD4WDW Special Event commemorating the 30th anniversary of EPCOT in DinsneyWorld, Florida, USA

It's 30 years in 30 hours. From 1400z (10am EDT), Saturday October 6, 2012 till 2000z (4pm EDT) Sunday October 7, 2012.

Help us celebrate the 30th Anniversary of DisneyWorlds EPCOT. The DEARS (Disney Emergency Amateur Radio Service) will be operating on 20 Mtrs. approx. 14.260 and 40 mtrs. approx. 7.260 during those 30 hours.

We offer a QSL card and a certificate for those who would like one (s.a.s.e. +) is appreciated.

QSL info can be found on www.wd4wdw.org. or D.E.A.R.S. PO Box 22346 Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

Tnx, 73

Michael, KC2Q

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W1T Thacher Island Activation Aug 3rd - 6th

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 04:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355410-W1T-Thacher-Island-Activation-Aug-3rd-6th&goto=newpost

The Cape Ann Amateur Radio Association will be activating Thacher Island (Rockport, MA) from Friday afternoon August 3rd thru Monday morning August 6th. You can see more information about this event at our club site caara.net.

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S79LC S79YY S79XX Praslin Island

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 02:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355397-S79LC-S79YY-S79XX-Praslin-Island&goto=newpost

I5IHE , I5OYY , IK5RUN will be active from Praslin Island (IOTA AF-024) , Seychelles Islands 21 October - 4 November 2011 as S79LC , S79YY , S79XX

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...elles-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

1349. The ARRL Letter for July 26, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-26 17:59:19 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120726170652.8694F26C8C6@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + ARRL BOARD PLANS FOR 2014 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AT 2012 SECOND
MEETING

When the ARRL Board of Directors met for its 2012 Second Meeting
July 20-21 in Windsor, Connecticut, it did so with a full agenda.
Besides hearing and approving recommendations from its two standing
committees -- the Administration and Finance Committee and the Programs
and Services Committee -- the Board voted to hold the 2014 ARRL
National Convention July 17-20 in Hartford, Connecticut, the birthplace
of the League in 1914. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-plans-for-2014-centennial-celebration-at
-2012-second-meeting>.
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==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS NAMES AWARD RECIPIENTS AT 2012 SECOND MEETING

The ARRL Board of Directors named four ARRL award recipients at their July 20-21 meeting in Windsor, Connecticut: the 2011 Doug DeMaw, W1FB, Technical Excellence Award; the 2012 ARRL Technical Innovation Award; the 2012 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award, and the 2012 Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award. In addition, the Board named former ARRL West Gulf Division Director Thomas W. Comstock, N5TC, as Director Emeritus of the ARRL. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-of-directors-names-award-recipients-at-2012-second-meeting>.

==> + END OF AN ERA: HEATHKIT DECLARES BANKRUPTCY, CLOSES FOR GOOD (AGAIN)

The July 19 edition of The Herald-Palladium -- a newspaper serving the communities of Benton Harbor and St Joseph, Michigan -- is reporting that Heathkit Education Company has declared bankruptcy and has officially closed its doors after defaulting on its lease. According to the paper, Heathkit employed more than 1800 people in its heyday after World War II. When it finally closed, its workforce totaled fewer than six people. This is the second time since 1992 that Heathkit Educational Services has shuttered its doors. In August 2011, Heathkit announced it was returning to the kit building business, and in September, that it would once again be manufacturing Amateur Radio kits. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/heathkit-declares-bankruptcy-closes-for-good-again>.

==> ON THE AIR: THE BANDS HEAT UP FOR THE 2012 ARRL AUGUST UHF CONTEST

VHF/UHF weak-signal operators across North America are making final tests on their stations in preparation for the ARRL August UHF Contest, which is coming up over the weekend of August 4-5. According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, this contest will focus on 222 MHz and above. There will be lots of activity, and hopefully lots of propagation, too! "With much of the nation in the midst of a summer heat spike, high-pressure zones can begin to form in the atmosphere," Kutzko explained. "If they stick around long enough -- and are stable enough -- enhanced propagation can occur in the troposphere, extending the normal usable range of UHF+ frequencies from line-of-sight to several hundred miles. Several cloudless days with very little wind are signs that enhanced tropospheric enhancement could be coming your way."Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-bands-heat-up-for-the-2012-arrl-august-uhf-contest>.

==> + ON THE AIR: SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS IN LONDON AND WALES ON THE AIR FOR 2012 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES

Two special event call signs were activated on Wednesday, July 25 to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L from

London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales. Both stations will be on the air for the duration of the Games -- July 25-August 12 -- and continuing through September 9. Organizers hope to make at least 80,000 contacts during the seven weeks that 2O12L and 2O12W are on the air. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/special-event-stations-in-london-and-wales-on-the-air-for-2012-olympic-and-paralympic-games>.

==> + FCC NEWS: VANITY CALL SIGN FEE TO GO UP 80 CENTS

On July 20, the FCC announced that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from $14.20 to $15. The fee will increase 30 days after notice of the increase is published in the Federal Register; no date has yet been set for publication. Earlier this year, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs. The vanity call sign fee has fluctuated over the 14 years of the current program -- from a low of $11.70 in 2007 to a high of $70 (as first proposed in the FCC's 1994 Report and Order). In FY 2012, the FCC expects to grant 14,300 vanity call signs, bringing in $214,500 from the vanity call sign program, and looks to recover a total of $339,844,000 in fees from all the Services that it regulates. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/vanity-call-sign-fee-to-go-up-80-cents>.

==> ARRL RECOGNIZES: VIC POOR, W5SMM, RECEIVES ARRL PRESIDENT'S AWARD

On July 9, Victor (Vic) Poor, W5SMM, of Melbourne, Florida, was awarded the ARRL President's Award at the Platinum Coast Amateur Radio Society's (PCARS) monthly meeting that was attended by nearly 100 hams and non-hams, many from out of town. There have been only a handful of recipients of this prestigious award.

Poor -- an ARRL member -- developed an active interest in ham radio while still in high school and became W6JSO in 1951. He has also held the calls AH6AXV and K3NIO. He quickly developed an affinity for RTTY and later other digital modes of interest in Amateur Radio.

Poor has been instrumental in the development of many hardware and software innovations that are at the heart of modern day computing and communications technology, used both in Amateur Radio and in industry.

His early RTTY work focused on improving the designs of modulators, demodulators, and filters to improve the error rates achievable with RTTY in those days. This work continued into the development for schemes for simple message networking for amateur traffic before the availability of affordable PCs.

During the '70s and '80s, new digital technologies, including packet, AMTOR and lower-cost computers became available. These advances motivated Poor to further improve digital transmission networking techniques. This included APLINK, a robust automatic global store-and-forward system that led the ARRL to include the system for use in their National Traffic System (NTS).

With the advent of widely available Internet service and continued improvements in signal processing using PCs and dedicated signal processing chips, including PACTOR and WINMOR, in 1999 Poor organized a volunteer amateur development team to replace APLINK with a much more advanced amateur message forwarding system that integrates with the Internet and other mail systems, handles multiple destination addresses, and accepts data files of any format. The system is named Winlink 2000 (WL2K) and is maintained and managed by the Winlink Development Team (WDT). Poor remains the principal architect of the system. This system has blossomed today to a major amateur-supported emergency communications network used by ARES and many government agencies including MARS, federal, state, county and city agencies, and NGOs.

In his professional career Poor has been instrumental in the development of many products that we take for granted today. He credits his interest in ham radio as the driving force behind his success in the commercial arena.

The ARRL Board of Directors voted to create the President's Award in 2003. It is awarded to an ARRL member or members who "have shown long-term dedication to the goals and objectives of ARRL and Amateur Radio" and who have gone the extra mile to support individual League programs and goals. Nominations for the award come from ARRL directors and are approved by the ARRL President and the Executive Committee.

President Kay Craigie's accompanying letter stated, in part: "It is my pleasure and honor to confer upon you the ARRL President's Award....Your contributions to the development of digital communications systems in the Amateur Radio Service have significantly enhanced the ability of our radio service to provide assistance during disasters. Many other amateurs active in emergency communications attribute their own accomplishments to your mentoring....

"As a result of your long, distinguished career in Amateur Radio and communications technology, you have more than earned the appreciation that is represented by this award from the American Radio Relay League."

Steve Waterman, K4CJX, Assistant Director of the ARRL's Delta Division, summed up Poor's humility: "I could have added many more accomplishments to that list," said Steve. "The only thing Poor really wants to know about is if something doesn't work." -- Dan Fisher, AI4GK

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Lazing on a sunny afternoon <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1h1oRP7FfBw>" Cook, K7RA, reports: We currently seeing sunspot groups coming over our Sun's eastern horizon, but this week has been a quiet one, both in terms of sunspot and geomagnetic activity. The average daily sunspot numbers declined by 50 percent -- from 104.7 to 52.1 -- while the average daily solar flux was down nearly 45 points to 97.2. The latest solar flux forecast from

NOAA/USAF has flux values at 110 for July 26, 115 for July 27-28, then
120, 125 and 130 on July 29-31, 135 on August 1-2, 120 on August 3, 130
on August 4-6, 125 on August 7-8, down to 115 on August 9-11, and then
bottoming out around 90 on August 17. The predicted planetary A index
is 5 on July 26-27, then 15, 18, 15 and 10 on July 28-31, 5 on August
1-2, 10 on August 3-4, and 5 on August 5-18. There is the chance for
possible geomagnetic activity on August 19-20, raising the A index
values to 15 and 12, and then to 18 on August 24-25. Astronomy Magazine
has an article
<http://www.astronomy.com/%7E/link.aspx?_id=fd4b216b-fb6f-4a5e-9a60-f593af862
f38>
about a July 11 experiment in which a telescope was lifted by a
sounding rocket to take high definition photos of the Sun's corona at
extreme ultra-violet wavelengths. Look for more on the ARRL website on
Friday, July 27. For more information concerning radio propagation,
visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad
Cookism" is brought to you by The Kinks's Sunny Afternoon
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunny_Afternoon>.

==> THE 2011 DXCC YEARBOOK NOW AVAILABLE

The 2011 ARRL DXCC Yearbook is now available to all ARRL members as a
supplement to the August digital edition of QST
<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201208/index.php?startid=91rr>.
A printed copy of the Yearbook is also available for purchase in the
ARRL Online Store <http://www.arrl.org/shop/The-DXCC-Yearbook-2011/>.

Contents include:

- The Year in Review by Carl Smith, N4AA
- PJ2/W5MPC, October 10-15, 2010 by Mike Corey, KI1U
- ST0R Story by Antonio Gonzalez, EA5RM/ST0R
- Clinton B. DeSoto Challenge standings
- 2011 DXCC Annual List

==> + W1AW: W1AW'S ECHOLINK AND IRLP NODES BACK IN SERVICE

With the recent upgrades
<http://www.arrl.org/news/disruptions-possible-as-arrl-reconfigures-internet-
services>
to the ARRL's Internet system completed, the W1AW EchoLink Conference
Server W1AWBDCT and W1AW's IRLP Node 4292
<http://www.arrl.org/echolink-irlp> are now back in service. Amateurs
are able to once again listen to code practice transmissions and
digital bulletins via the W1AW EchoLink Conference Server.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- July 27 -- NCCC Sprint
- July 28-29 -- New Jersey QSO Party; RSGB IOTA Contest

- July 29 -- ARS Flight of the Bumblebees

Next week:

- August 3 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 4 -- TARA Grid Dip Shindig; European HF Championship
- August 4-5 -- ARRL UHF Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-bands-heat-up-for-the-2012-arrl-august-uhf-cont
est>;
North American QSO Party (CW); 10-10 International Summer Contest (SSB)
- August 5 -- RSGB RoPoCo CW; SARL HF Phone Contest
- August 7 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- August 8 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- August 8-9 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- July 26-28 -- Central States VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/central-states-vhf-society-conference-1>,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- July 27-28 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-ham-holiday-2012>,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- July 27-29 -- ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rocky-mountain-division-convention-2>,
Bryce Canyon, Utah
- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>,
Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>,
Portland, Oregon
- August 10-12 -- RAC National Convention 2012
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/rac-convention-2012>, Edmonton, Alberta,
Canada
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama

- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 14-15 -- W9DXCC Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/w9dxcc-convention-2>, Elk Grove Village,
Illinois
- September 15 -- ARRL Virginia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-section-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 22 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-36th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- September 22-23 -- ARRL Illinois State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/illinois-state-convention-peoria-superfest-2012
>,
Peoria, Illinois
- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,
Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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1350. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 26 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-27 02:22:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340753f1d60a04c5c661ef@google.com>
Source record: 2417
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Students quiz orbiting astronaut via live ham radio - Daily Press

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 12:09 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG_FTCF7YMf3RR2uBeRMnOLEZ7H8w&url=http://www.dailypress.com/news/education/dp-nws-ham-radio-space-0727-20120726,0,6734001.story

Students quiz orbiting astronaut via live ham radio
Daily Press
Through live ham radio, they had a direct connection to Sunita Williams, who blasted off mid-July for a four-month mission on the International Space Station. With static crackling and time ticking, Williams quickly answered questions during an 11 ...

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Ulster County radio group seeks to use tower on town of Ulster land - Kingston Daily Freeman

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 01:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH9mQzss4Evuo7WfEGczSDrYubkIA&url=http://www.dailyfreeman.com/articles/2012/07/26/news/doc5010a010ed1d4172022611.txt

Ulster County radio group seeks to use tower on town of Ulster land
Kingston Daily Freeman
TOWN OF ULSTER, N.Y. — The Town Board is reviewing a request from the Ulster County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service to use an abandoned radio tower at the town Highway Department site on East Chester Street Bypass. Town Highway Superintendent ...

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Ron Hendershot keeps festival on one frequency - Canton Repository

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 09:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGvZpwJpX_0sR-9dxRbcAXcHysl0A&url=http://www.cantonrep.com/hofunsung/x1444862111/Ron-Hendershot-keeps-festival-on-one-frequency

Ron Hendershot keeps festival on one frequency
Canton Repository
Hendershot has been a licensed amateur radio operator for more than 30 years and said he has contacted ham operators in roughly 250 countries and territories around the world. Come Hall of Fame time, Hendershot will tune his ear closer to home, as his ...

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Amateur Radio Club plans class, license testing - Prescott Daily Courier

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 10:00 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH7fbQJlBgTwS-WsEyDDxwQNoo5Vw&url=http://www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID%3D1%26SubSectionID%3D1%26ArticleID%3D109081

Amateur Radio Club plans class, license testing
Prescott Daily Courier
Amateur Radio Club plans class, license testing. The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club will have a two-day "Amateur Extra" license class on July 28 and Aug. 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Granite Mountain Middle School, 1800 Williamson Valley Road in ...

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Busy year for Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 12:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHX1kB1FLd3UD2SCA3q-hKhLhv8rg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/mid_ulster_amateur_radio_club_2012_summer_update.htm

Busy year for Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Busy year for Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club. Its the end of another eventful club year for the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club. With several Foundation Courses, an Intermediate Course and three new Full call-signs awarded, it kept our training and exam ...

1351. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 256

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-27 06:20:46 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <A19BBF8C283245EBA9939A7050A6E6D4@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 2418
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 256

27 July 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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Debby says…Next week or early the following, you will receive your Break In. Included with this issue will be your 2013 subscription. Please check carefully before throwing away your wrapper that you has received this.

There are some members who have paid early, therefore confirm the expiry date of your subscription is 31/12/2012 before you forward a further payment.

I also have it on reasonable authority that Call Book will be produced with the October issue of Break In…so yes it is coming but not quite yet!

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

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HF Noise Measuring Campaign for New Zealand:
I spotted an article within the latest RSGB Bulletin: July 2012, when mentioned a HF Noise Measuring Campaign. As we know all users of the HF bands in particular have issues with background noise. As I was reading this, I thought this could be quite useful to the whole of the New Zealand SWLers, and Radio Amateurs, as an interesting and worthwhile project, which clubs and associations could also participate in on a once a month basis.

We know that the ITU-R for instance ITU-R P.372 provides information on the background levels of radio-frequency noise in the frequency range from 0.1 Hz to 100 GHz. Which takes account of noise due to lightening, to man-made sources, to the galaxy and to the temperature of the lower atmosphere. The level of radio noise sets a limit to the performance of radio systems.

The aim is to not only provide those participating with the knowledge of their own circumstance as far as background noise levels are concerned, but to eventually provide the necessary agencies with sufficient evidence to that a more scientific campaign may be launched, if necessary.

The proposal is to get all participants to measure (at their own location or QTH), the background noise on the bands 1.8 MHz to 28 MHz once per month, for perhaps 2-3 years.
The requirement would be that the level (in S-points) be noted in a spread sheet (which will be supplied), and if the participants use an SDR receiver, the dBm figure as well.
A requirements would be that the same radio and aerial setup be used for the whole campaign.

Bob Knowles and I are planning on participating and collating the information from all participants on a regular basis.

If you wish to participate please contact ZL1GWE at MS@NZART.ORG.NZ and you will be supplied with a suitable spread sheet to complete.

You will be required to state whether you are using SSB or CW filters i.e. bandwidth for the measurements, and use the same aerial, and carry out the same measurements at the same time/day of the month to ensure consistency.

Or if you wish you can contact Gwyn Williams, G4FKH, OTHR, e-mail g4fkh@btinternet.com for further information directly.

Bob and I believe this is a worthwhile campaign, which could be also used to compare ITU-R figures background noise for New Zealand in reality and provide assistance to others potentially with interference issues, which could be passed on to the EMC Officer to assist participants.

Reference:
http://www.giangrandi.ch/electronics/radio/smeter/smeter.html -
S-points for frequencies below 30 MHz.
ZL1GWE

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FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 256

CALL BOOK 2012/2013 BEACON, LINK AND REPEATER LISTINGS

FINAL REMINDER

At the beginning of June, FMTAG sent an email to all Branches (and NZART-affiliated groups), requesting that they check their Beacon, Link, Repeater (and their Trustees) listings for the 2012/2013 Call Book, and to reply to FMTAG.

Please contact FMTAG if the Branch has not received the email: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

As at the time of writing (Thursday the 26th of July) FMTAG has not received the list of Trustee callsigns from the following Branches:

20 Manawatu 33 Rotorua
37 Southland

55 Waitomo 56 Christchurch West 66
Auckland VHF

78 Far North 85 Mercury Bay
87 South Taranaki

The close-off for returns to FMTAG is the 31st of July. After that date, blank spaces will appear in Call Book.

Please help ensure that this Call Book is the most accurate ever.

PROPOSALS

ZL2VBO has applied for a 144.575 MHz Digipeater on Mount Burnett, located at TOPO50 BN24 696.26 013.69.

ZL3ADT has applied for a 50.040 MHz Beacon at Rolleston Railway station, located at TOPO50 BX23 503 737.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO NZART COUNCIL

These items were published in HQ Infoline 255. No adverse comments have been received.

Branch 30 Otago has applied to relocate its 830 repeater to Halfway Bush Road, located at TOPO50 CE17 010.08 178.44. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the repeater can remain on 438.300 MHz.

Branch 30 Otago has applied to relocate its 625 link station to Halfway Bush Road, located at TOPO50 CE17 010.08 178.44. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the link transmit frequency can remain on 146.250 MHz and its receive frequency on 146.850 MHz.

Branch 30 Otago has applied for a power increase of its 665 repeater at Highcliff, located at TOPO50 CE17 132.79 162.56. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations, and that the repeater transmit frequency can remain on 146.650 MHz and its receive frequency on 146.050 MHz.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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FROM THE VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST COMMITTEE

THE NEXT CONTEST IS NEXT WEEKEND

The next contest is the Brass Monkey Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th of August 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Microwave Contest, 921 MHz and up, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of October 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The Contest Rules are available at:
www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:
zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

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IARU Region 3 Newsletter July 2012

Dear Colleagues,

IARU Region 3 News Letter of July 2012 can be found at the following address:
IARU Region 3 News Archives

http://iaru-r3.net/pipermail/r3-news_iaru-r3.net/

http://www.iaru-r3.org/

73 de Ken Yamamoto/JA1CJP
Secretary, IARU Region 3

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Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society

The annual ARLHS is being planned for

Friday and Saturday, October 19 and 20 at the Holiday Inn in
Biloxi, Mississippi. Before we can complete arrangements, it is very
important that we know how many members definitely will or will not
attend. If you are “NOT SURE,” please let us know
definitely by September 15, 2012.

please respond (click on one link only): “YES”

“NO”

"NOT SURE"

LET U KNW BY SEPT. 1st,

If you have any questions, contact the Convention Chairman / Vice
President, Jim Buffington, K5JIM (Jim@jimbuffington.com)

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HARAOA ZL9HR DXPedition

to Campbell Island (IOTA OC-037) November 28th. - December 9th.
2012.

Things are moving quickly on preparations for the Hellenic Amateur
Radio Association of Australia's ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island
(650 km or 400 miles south of New Zealand in the Southern Ocean).

For those who hate all the hype of the Olympics, Campbell Island
is the furthest point on earth that you can stand on away from London,
England!

The complete crew of 10 operators is now set (with some reserves
in the waiting list should a member have to cancel).
The operators are:
Tommy VK2IR,
John VK3YP,
Les W2LK,
Gene K5GS,
Don VE7DS,
Istvan HA5AO,
John 9M6XRO,
David K3EL,
Jacky ZL3CW,
& Tom KE4KY.

A list of equipment that will be taken is already on the web site and the first of the Yamaha generators is due to arrive in Sydney in the next few days. This along with some of the other equipment will be put to the test in the upcoming “Trans-Tasman” 160m SSB contest that the HARAOA won last year and are eager to win again. Heavy workloads on the equipment will also occur in the 80m RTTY section of the same contest.

Keen DX-ers who may be looking to get ZL9 on a particular band and mode to move towards a DXCC or other award, should go to the survey on the website at ZL9HR.com and vote for which bands and modes they would like to hear ZL9HR operating on!

Please keep monitoring ZL9HR.com for all updates as the preparations keep progressing. The first of the sponsors are coming in but more of that in my next news update so …..
73 From ED VK2ARE, Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR and member of the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia.

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NZART Officer Vacancy

NZART Council is calling for expressions of interest from NZART members for the following Officer Vacancy

Position: NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator

The VHF/UHF Records Coordinator is responsible to NZART Council for the coordination, maintenance and promotion of the New Zealand VHF/UHF/SHF records.

Description of the position

a.. NZART is a body that promotes Amateur Radio within New Zealand.
b.. The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator is appointed by NZART Council to coordinate and to promote, the keeping of accurate records pertaining to performance of VHF/UHF/SHF activities and operating by NZ amateurs.
c.. The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator reports to NZART Council through an appointed Liaison Councillor.
d.. Although referred to by VHF/UHF/SHF, the task may extend to other bands.
Duties of the position

To maintain, review and update when necessary, the established:

a.. VHF/UHF/SHF Records Lists,
b.. the VHF/UHF/SHF Record Claim Rules, and
c.. the Record Claim Form.
To receive completed Record Claim Forms submitted by radio amateurs, appropriately process to verify by making whatever enquiries may be necessary, and make the concluding decision to accept or to reject the claim.

a.. To amend the Records lists as appropriate.
b.. To promote active operating for records achievement among
New Zealand amateurs.
c.. To arrange for presentation trophies and certificates
relating to Records.
d.. To appoint assistants as necessary.
e.. To provide advice and guidance on Records issues.
f.. To liaise with overseas radio amateurs and other amateur
societies on Records matters.
g.. To write occasional entries for Break-In about Records.
h.. At time of dispute, to refer incidents involving Records
Claims and the Rules to NZART Council.
Work Experience

The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator will be expected to
demonstrate competent performance in:

a.. Maintaining accurate and detailed records.
b.. Good written language skills for communication with members,
overseas societies, and articles for publication.
c.. The accurate measurement of distances and global positions,
recognise and understand the errors possible in GPS reports, in the
selection of map series and in grid references.
d.. A good working knowledge of all the measurement and
technical terms listed on the Claim Form.
Personal Skills

The NZART VHF/UHF/SHF Records Coordinator will require:

a.. Good person skills.
b.. An understanding of the requirements and issues involved in
Amateur Radio hill-top activity including possible interference to other
radio services.
c.. A good knowledge of Amateur Radio and the aims of IARU and
NZART.
d.. Competency in spread sheet and word processor applications
and with any specialised software appropriate to the position.
Applicants for this role can be located anywhere in New Zealand.
The ideal person for this role would have experience in the area of
VHF/UHF/SHF operating and/or contesting.

Officer Positions are voluntary; however operating expenses will
be refunded as per the NZART Policy on Officers Expenses.

Applications for this position will be accepted from interested
persons in writing with supporting documentation through the General
Secretary, NZART, PO Box 40525, Upper Hutt 5140.

This advertisement is authorised by NZART Council.

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Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October
issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Sept 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic
formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics
should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as
embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable
descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Sept
2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN.
Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions),
posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can
go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 29th July 2012. Next
HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 27th July 2012. Closing date for this is
Thursday 26th July 2012

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1352. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1824 - July 27 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-27 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120727090003.A893E33C2E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2419
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1824 - July 27 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1824 with a release date of July 27 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The International Amateur Radio Union to vote on admitting two new members; Solar Cycle 24 heats up with a massive East coast VHF band opening; the London 2012 Olympics ham radio stations take to the air and four new ham radio CubeSats go skyward. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1824 coming your way right now.

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HAM POLITICS: IARU VOTING ON TWO PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

The International Amateur Radio Union could have two new members before years end. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the details:

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The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan or FRSA and the St. Vincent & Grenadine Amateur Radio Club are being proposed for membership in the International Amateur Radio Union.

The FRSA based in Baku. It so far has 50 members. The St. Vincent & Grenadine Amateur Radio Club has 21 members. Both have made their proposals through IARU Region 2 for membership.

The International Amateur Radio Union Calendar notes that the groups have declared that they can satisfy the requirements of the IARU Constitution and Bylaws. As such, their proposed membership has been put up to the vote by all International Amateur Radio Union member societies who have until November 1st to cast a ballot.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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Meantime, Jim Linton, VK3PC reports on two International Amateur Radio Union member certifications that have been rescinded. Linton says that despite a request, no proof has been provided that the former PNGARS of Papua New Guinea and BARTS in Burma or Myanmar still exist and have

been withdrawn from membership. (VK3PC)

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VHF DX: BIG VHF OPENING ALONG THE EAST AND SOUTH CENTRAL USA

They are calling it one of the best VHF band openings since the late 1950's. This as hams along the Eastern seaboard and South-Central states report what appears to be both a tropospheric duct and some double-hop E layer skip that permitted QSO's from Vermont south to Tennessee and Texas on bands as high as 220 MHz on Tuesday, July 24th.

One interesting report came to us from Kevin Duplantis, W4KEV. He says that at about 5:30 pm EST in Knoxville, Tennessee that he was tuning around the FM broadcast band when he stopped on WRJK 106.7. That's when he heard a commercial that seemed out of place so he kept listening. It turned out that instead of WRJK he was hearing a station identifying as 106.7 the Wizard, Burlington, Vermont. After a number of fades happened and the Vermont station came back so strong that it totally wiping out the local Knoxville station that was only 15 miles away.

At that point W4KEV reports that he took to the 2 meter band where he made what he describes as a ton of contacts into the northeast and southeast and Canada. Some well over 1000 miles distant. He then switched to the 222 MHz band where he noted a definite E-skip opening that lasted a solid half hour. During this time he hears Canadian stations make contact with the lower parts of Alabama and Mississippi.

W4KEV hays that they do not get many tropo openings in his area so this was a thrill to say the least.

Meantime the dxworld.com Propagation Logger for 2 meters shows several likely record breaking contacts in sheer numbers if nothing else. By way of example, Mike Larsen, KC0CF in Stanhope, Iowa posted that he worked 32 stations from Florida to Virginia during the opening and his report was just one of many.

In all, it appears as if July 24th, 2012, is one that will go down in the VHF and UHF record books and operators world wide are hoping its only a precursor of what may be still soon to come in DX in the world above 50 MHz. (ARNewsline(tm), 2 Meter Prop Logger)

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RADIOSPORTS: 2O12L AND 2O12W ON THE AIR TO COMMEMORATE THE LONDON OLYMPICS

The 2012 Summer Olympics are on the ham radio airwaves. On Wednesday, July 25th, two special event call signs were activated in the United Kingdom to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

As previously reported here on Newsline, 2O12L will operate from London, while 2O12W was to take to the ham bands from Barry in Wales.

Both stations will be on the air through August 12th for the games themselves and will continue operations through September 9th.

Updates on both operations will be available on the Twitter social networking site using the screen names of @2012L and @GW0ZANA respectively. Organizers hope to make 80,000 or more contacts during the time that 2O12L and 2O12W are on the air. (RSGB, Audio bite from YouTube)

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BANDSHARING: THE AMERICAN UHF WOODPECKER STRIKES AGAIN

Its yakety-yak time on the 70 centimeter band near San Diego, California. This as a new radio system takes to the air on a military base. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennent, K6PZW, has the rest of the story:

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Southern California's Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club reports that it recently began receiving a random ticking interference superimposed over weak incoming signals on its 440.600 MHz repeater inputs channel. Club members have tentatively located the signal as originating at the nearby Marine Corps Camp Pendleton.

It now appears as if the base has deployed a number of Enhanced Position Location Reporting System radios, or EPLRS devices that use the entire 420 to 450 MHz band in a spread spectrum mode. As hams share the 420 to 450 MHz band with the U.S. Government, and the government has priority its likely that the Fallbrook ham community will likely have to live with the problem until such time as the devices are turned off, if that ever occurs.

Hams are secondary users in the 420 to 450 MHz band and must accept any and all interference from those designated as primary users. Also, the amateur community must not in any way interfere with the operations of those assigned as primary users. In this case the United States military.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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According to the Southgate News, it's believed that at least two dozen EPLRS systems are slated for deployment or are already deployed across the continental United States as well as in Alaska and on Hawaii. (CGC, Southgate)

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RADIO REGULATION: VANITY CALL SIGN FEE TO INCREASE BY 80 CENTS

The price of a Vanity ham radio callsign is going up. On July 20th the FCC announced that the cost of a set of amateur radio vanity call letters will increase 80 cents to $15 for a 10 year license term. That works out to 8 cents a year for anyone applying for or renewing a Vanity ham radio call. The new fee goes into affect 30 days after notice of the increase is published in the Federal Register. As we go to air, that publication is still pending. (FCC)

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RADIO REGULATION: FCC PROPOSES RE-EVALUATING ITS FEE SYSTEM

The FCC wants to overhaul its entire regulatory fee system and is asking for public input on that effort through MD Docket 08-65.

According to the agency, extensive changes have occurred in the communications marketplace since its current system for assessing and collecting regulatory fees for all of the entities it regulates was enacted in 1994. Commissioner Robert McDowell calls the reform long overdue, adding that the agency should update its fee structure to ensure that they are levied not only in a fiscally prudent manner, but in a nondiscriminatory and competitively neutral way.

Comments to MD Docket 08-65 are due 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. What impact such a re-evaluation might have on regulatory fees imposed on radio amateurs is impossible to assess at this time. (FCC, RW)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: 4 CUBSATS TAKE THEIR FIRST STEPTS TOWARD ORBIT

Japan's HTV-3 cargo vessel carrying five satellites blasted off on an H-IIB rocket to the International Space Station in the early hours of Saturday, July 21st. Onboard were four amateur radio CubeSats, along with a scientific satellite known as Raiko. The ham radio birds are the F-1, We-Wish, FitSat-1 and TechEdSat CubeSats.

By way of background The F-1 CubeSat carries a pair of Yaesu VX-3R handheld transceivers to provide communications on 145.980 MHz and 437.485 MHz FM using AX.25 packet radio data.

FITSAT-1 is an optical communications experiment that as previously reported will attempt to write Morse Code across the night sky, although only when in range of Japan. It will also transmit CW on 437.250 MHz, FM AX.25 data on 437.445 MHz and high speed data on 5840.00 MHz.

We-Wish will transmit on 437.505 MHz FM AX.25 data while TechEdSat will transmit on 437.465 MHz and will also communicate via the Iridium and Orbcomm satellite phone networks. This is a first for a CubeSat.

The CubeSats will remain on the International Space Station until September. Thats when they will be deployed to orbit by Japan astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, using the ISS robot arm. And we

will have more ham radio space related news later on in this week's Amateur Radio Newsline report. (AMSAT)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9AA Hamfesters Amateur Radio Club Net serving Bridgeview Illinois.

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ENFORCEMENT: ALASKA CB OPERATOR ISSUED PROPOSED $12500 FINE

The FCC has issued a $12,500 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture to Glenn S. Yamada, of Kenai, Alaska. This based on allegations that he essentially operated his C-B station in a manner that interfered with international aviation traffic. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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This story goes back to last January. Thats when the FCC received a complaint regarding interference to an authorized user on 21.964 MHz in the aeronautical band. According to the regulatory agency, the problem concerned a male subject talking and interfering with the control and monitoring of air traffic over the North Atlantic.

The FCC's High Frequency Direction Finding Center was called into action. On January 31, its operators observed a subject matching the details of the compliant transmitting on 21.965 MHz using the call sign 1600 Alaska. Of even more interest, the actual operating frequency was 27.025 better known as CB channel 6. Direction finding techniques placed the transmissions were coming from Kenai, Alaska. Subsequently, an agent from the FCC's Enforcement Bureau in Anchorage used direction finding techniques and found the source of the interfering signal to be coming from the residence of one Glenn S. Yamada.

The agent, accompanied by an officer from the Kenai Police Department, inspected Yamada's station on February 6th. At that time the agent found a non-certificated CB transmitter and a linear amplifier as part of Yamada's CB station. During questioning, Yamada admitted to the agent that the linear amplifier was capable of generating a power output level of 200 watts. The agent observed that the transmitter and the linear amplifier were connected to a transmission cable and ultimately to the directional antenna in the back of Yamada's residence. Yamada told the agent that this was his hobby setup and that he had been operating it for the last several weeks using the made up call of 1600 Alaska.

Now, in its July 14th finding authorizing the proposed $12,500 fine, the FCC says that Yamada apparently willfully and repeatedly violated Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934 and Sections 95.409(a) and 95.411(a)(1) and (b) of the FCC Rules. This by operating his CB radio without requisite Commission authorization. In simpler terms, it means that his station equipment was not FCC certified and he was running power in excess of the maximum allowed on the 11 meter band.

And when it issued the Notice of Apparent Liability, the regulatory agency also stated that given the public safety concerns of the violations that it was directed Yamada to submit a statement signed under penalty of perjury confirming whether he is still engaged in CB operations. If so, he is to state whether he is using a certified CB transmitter. Also, to certify that he has not attached any linear amplifiers to his CB station." Yamada must submit this statement to the FCC Office in Anchorage no later than August 17th. That's the same day when payment of the $12,500 Notice of Apparent Liability is also due.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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As is usual in these cases, Yamada was given the customary 30 days from issuance of the proposed fine to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC PROPOSES A PAIR OF BROADCAST TOWER RELATED FINES

The FCC levied two unrelated fines for tower violations. In the first action, the agency says that Equity Communications, licensee of WCMC AM located in Wildwood, New Jersey failed to enclose its tower in a locked fence.

In issuing the proposed $17,000 fine, the FCC noted that during an inspection in 2011, agents with the Philadelphia Enforcement Bureau determined the tower was in a residential neighborhood but what it called the remnants of a fence would not restrict access to it. At a later date when they re-inspected, the agents found the fence in the same condition. As such, the FCC has proposed a the to fine for the ongoing infraction.

The other case involves JMK Communications, which was fined $7,000 for not having a locked fence around the four-tower array for WPWC AM in Dumfries, Virginia. The FCC says that during an inspection in 2011, the Enforcement Bureau agents found no fencing around the base of one structure and only partial fencing around the base of the other three. There was also no perimeter fence around the property, according to the commission.

In this matter the FCC has proposed a $7,000 fine. It has also directed the licensee to submit a sworn statement telling the commission the broadcaster is now in compliance with the tower

regulations.

Both companies were given the customary 30 days from the date the Notices of Apparent Liability were issued to pay or file a response. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC LEVIES $55000 FINES TO UNLICENSED FLORIDA BROADCASTERS

The FCC issued a total of $55,000 in proposed fines to three men whom it says operated unlicensed broadcast station in the state of Florida. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is here with more:

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In the first two cases, the regulatory agency alleges that Michael Downer and Damian Allen operated an unauthorized station together on the FM broadcast band in the city of Pompano Beach. According to the FCC, it used direction finding techniques to trace a signal to an FM transmitting antenna located atop the storage room of a commercial property.

The property owner told agents he rented the space to Downer and Allen. The owner called Downer and handed the phone to an agent. Shortly thereafter the other renter, Damian Allen, came and removed the equipment.

Now its tike to pay the piper. While the base fine for operating an unauthorized station is $10,000 per person, the FCC proposed a $20,000 fine for Downer and Allen each. This is because the commission had previously issued several Notices of Unlicensed Operation to both men for operating unlicensed stations from other Florida locations. The FCC says that the fact that they continued operating constitutes a deliberate disregard for the commission's rules.

In the third case, the commission has proposed a $15,000 fine against McArthur Bussey. This for operating an unlicensed station on 89.1 MHz in the city of Fort Lauderdale.

In this matter the agents not only traced the signal to a residence leased by Bussey but also found a fan page on Facebook ad for the illegal station and a picture that matched Bussey's Florida driver's license photo. The domain name for a website: www.891radio.net, was found to be registered to Bussey's residence.

Bussey's fine was also over the $10,000 base amount because the Miami Office of the Enforcement Bureau had previously issued a Notice of Unlicensed Operation to him for operating an unlicensed station on the same frequency from a different Florida location.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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All three have the customary 30 days from the date the fines were proposed to pay them or to file appeals. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: PERMANENT AMATEUR STATION AT THE OLD BETHANY OHIO VOA RELAY STATION

Ohio's West Chester Amateur Radio Club has set up a working ham radio station at the closed down Voice of America relay station in Bethany Ohio. A temporary, single position has been activated in the VOA building. It is connected to a temporary trailer mounted beam antenna.

The Bethany site is located not far from Dayton Ohio. According to the club website, more funding is needed to complete the project. Information about this project can be found on-line at www.wc8voa.org. The history of the Voice of America Bethany Relay Station is at www.voamuseum.org. (KC9VZA)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: EMCOMM EAST POSTPONED TO 2013

The EmComm East emergency communications conference will not be held in 2012. According to an announcement from the Board of Directors for Monroe County ARES which hosts the event, they have decided to postpone EmComm East until the fall 2013 due to circumstances beyond their control..

According to their news release the group is running into a fist-full of scheduling conflicts that are making it difficult to plan an emergency communications conference that is of the same quality as the past conferences that they have hosted in years past. This is because they have several competing events in the region that will significantly take away from normal attendance. Also their call for programs did not have enough responses to fill all of the slots needed for this year's conference.

Monroe County New York ARES says that it will be announcing its plans for 2013 early next January. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact them by e-mail to info (at) emcommeast (dot) org or simply keep an eye on www.emcommeast.org for updates. (Monroe County ARES Inc.)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: LEGENDARY HAWAII VHF - UHF EXPERIMENTER LAID TO REST IN CALIFORNIA

Hawaii's legendary VHF/UHF experimenter Paul Lieb, KH6HME, has been laid to rest following a Catholic Mass on Saturday, July 21st. The service was attended by Lieb's family, friends, and several dozen ham radio operators. Many of the latter were members of California's San Bernardino Microwave Society of which Lieb was a long time member. A number of the radio amateurs drove many hours to attend the service.

According to his longtime friend Gordon West, WB6NOA, Lieb's ham radio activities played a major part in the memorial service. This included the front cover of a written remembrance program showing KH6HME at the Mona Loa beacon site door that was etched with visiting ham radio call signs. Below his name was his KH6HME call.

At the end of the Mass, each of the 6 candles surrounding Lieb were extinguished one-by-one. West says that this signified the end of an era when Paul would head for the 8200 foot site on the Mona Loa Volcano. From there he would switch from beacon mode to voice and CW , and complete the 2500 mile path on every VHF and UHF band from 6 meters up through 5 GHz .

KH6HME was buried at the Holy Sepulcher Cemetery in Orange, California. West says that the very last line of the memorial program read - and we quote: "He will never be forgotten, and his beacon will continue to delight and amaze us all. 73 Paul. "

As reported last week, Paul Lieb, KH6HME passed away on Sunday night July 15th while visiting his sister and other relatives on the U.S. mainland. (WB6NOA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BAOFENG REPEATER TO THE EDGE OF SPACE

Spanish radio hams have used two low cost handheld FM transceivers to build a cross-band repeater which they then launched to the edge of space on a high altitude balloon. The radios used in the experiment were identified as Luther TL-44 but appear identical to the popular Baofeng UV-3R available on E-Bay from many online dealers world-wide at a cost of between $30 to $45 each.

The balloon flight lasted 2 hours 44 minutes during which 179 contacts were made. The furthest was over a distance of 670 km. You can read the entire story in electronically translated English at tinyurl.com/Baofeng-Repeater (G6UIM)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KE5DAR TO BE ON-ORBIT DJ AUGUST 3

NASA astronaut Joe Acaba, KE5DAR, will play Disk Jockey in space on Friday, August 3rd. That's when he will do a live remote from the International Space Station as a part of a two-hour music and talk show to be streamed over Internet station Third Rock Radio.

Third Rock Radio is calling this outing "The Joe Show." It describes it as a blend of science, technology, engineering and mathematics and art.

For those not aware, Third Rock Radio is a project of Houston, Texas radio veterans. It is produced under a NASA Space Act Agreement with RFC Media.

The "Joe Show" is mainly aimed at younger Americans. It can be heard as an audio stream at ThirdRockRadio.net with Acaba's appearance beginning at 4 p.m. Eastern time, as we said, on Friday, August 3rd. (Third Rock Radio)

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ON THE AIR: HONEYMOON TRIP TO MARITIUS IN SEPTEMBER

On the air, Alex Landi, IW5ELA, says that he will be on the air stroke 3B8 from hotel Le Cannonier on Maritius between September 6th and the 12th. This as a part of an extended honeymoon trip with his wife Michela that will take them through Corsica, Mongolia, Finland and Africa. From Maritius his operation will be on 20, 17, 15 and 12 meters using CW and SSB. Because of the nature of this trip all operation is holiday style. QSL via his home callsign either direct or via the bureau. And less we forget, the couple does have a web page. You can visit it on-line at honeymoonafrica2012 (dot) jimdo (dot) com. (OPDX)

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ON THE AIR: WORK PROGRESSES ON NEW TRANS-ATLANTIC 2 METER BEACON

A new trans-Atlantic 2 meter propagation beacon is well on its way to becoming a reality. RSGB news reader Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, has the latest:

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Brian, WA1ZMS, is making the final preparations to ship the GB3WGI 144MHz transatlantic beacon transmitter over to Northern Ireland.

Thanks to the kind donation of antenna parts and clamps from G4CQM at Powabeam Antennas, beacon keeper Gordon, GI6ATZ, is in the process of building the antenna system for the beacon, and installing the emergency shutdown system. It is hoped to have the beacon up and running before the end of the year.

Im Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, in Nottingham.

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Once the beacon is placed into service it will act as a marker to tell hams in the America's when a 2 meter path is open to the UK and possibly beyond. (GB2RS)

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In DX, F4EZG will be active between September 1st and the 3rd from Madagascar as 5R8VE. Operations will only be on 20 and 15 meters. QSL via F4EZG.

EA2BD will be active from Malta as 9H3BD until July 30th. His operations are low power on 20 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via his home EA2BD callsign.

WB6OJB is on the air from Botswana as A25JB through the end of July. He can be heard on 40 through 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. Again, QSL this station also direct to his WA6JOB home callsign.

JJ2NYT will be active as stroke FK from Grande Terre New Caladonia between July 29th and August 2nd. His operation will be on 40 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Like the last two, QSL this one also via his home callsign.

G3SWH will activate the special callsign M0RSE on CW only over the weekend of August 18th and 19th. As you might expect, this is a CW only operation with QSOs to be uploaded to Logbookof the World immediately after the weekend operation concludes. Special QSLs will be available via the bureau or direct with Self Addressed Envelope and adequate return postage or even via the traditional bureau route.

Lastly, members of the Gemilang Amamteur Radio Club and the Mediterraneo DX Club will team-up to sponsor a DXpedition to Brunei. The multi-national team will be on the air as V-84-S-M-D between November 11th and the 23rd. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters, including the 30, 17 and 12 meter bands. Modes to be supported are CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via IK2VUC, direct or via the bureau.

Above from various DX news sources

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THAT FINAL ITEMS: WIND FARMS MAY CONTRIBUTE TO CLIMATE WARMING

And finally this week, word that's what some call green power might not be so green after all. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, reprts:

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Research in the United States has shown that large wind turbine farms used to generate so-called green power might have a warming effect on the local climate, and there-by casting a shadow over the long-term sustainability of wind power.

Its been long believed that carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases from burning fossil fuels contribute to the so-called global warming effect. Some scientists believe this could lead to the melting of glaciers, sea level rise, crop failure and other devastating effects. So in an effort to cut such emissions, many nations are moving towards cleaner energy sources such as wind power.

Now, researchers at the State University of New York at Albany have analyzed over the period 2003 to 2011 the satellite data of areas around large wind farms in Texas, where four of the world's largest farms are located,. The results, published in the journal Nature Climate Change, showed a warming trend of up to 0.72 degrees Celsius per decade in areas over the farms. This as compared with nearby regions without the farms.

The study attributed this warming primarily to wind farms. It says that the temperature change could be due to the effects of the energy expelled by farms and the movement and turbulence generated by turbine rotors. It concluded that these changes, if spatially large enough, may have noticeable impacts on local to regional weather and climate. That said, the researchers say that more studies are needed at different locations and for longer periods, before any firm conclusions could be drawn.

Previous research in 2010 by other U.S. scientists found wind farms could make the nights warmer and days cooler in their immediate vicinity, but those effects could be minimized by changing turbines rotor design or by building the farms in areas with high natural climatic turbulence.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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According to the Global Wind Energy Council in 2011 the world's wind farms had the capacity to produce 238 gigawatts of electricity at any one time. That was a 21 percent rise over 2010 and capacity and is expected to reach nearly 500 gigawatt by the end of 2016 as more, and bigger wind farms are built. More on this story is on-line at http://tinyurl.com/wind-farm-warming. (UK Telegraph, CS Monitor, Forbes, others)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1353. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 27 July 2012

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Manchester Olympic special event call sign GB2012MS begins official
operation today after final testing was carried out on Wednesday and
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EU EMC Directive Vote

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On July 10 the Internal Market and Consumer Protection (IMCO) Committee of
the European Parliament voted on a the new version of the "Directive of the
European Parliament and the Council on the harmonization of the laws of the
Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility" (EMC Directive)

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RSGB IOTA Contest 2012

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The RSGB IOTA Contest takes place this weekend and Dave Raycroft VA3RJ has
compiled this list of entrants

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Ofcom licence exempt consultation

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Ofcom has published a consultation on changes to licence exemption for some
wireless telegraphy devices

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OSSI CubeSat to launch in December

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Korean artist Hojun Song has developed his own home made satellite and says
radio operators will be able to communicate with the satellite. If all goes
well, it will repeat a message in Morse code using its LED lights

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Mike 2E1GZZ features Amateur Radio on New Life Radio

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Mike Coles, 2E1GZZ is the Director of New Life Radio - a RSL station
transmitting on 106.2 FM in Devon and streaming via the Internet

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ISS Columbus module 145 MHz radio update

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ARISS has provided an update on the status of the 145 MHz amateur radio
transceiver in the Columbus module of the ISS

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Sir Arthur Clarke Awards - Nominations Sought

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The British Interplanetary Society are seeking nominations for this year's
Sir Arthur Clarke Awards

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

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Congratulations to Dennis Drennan from South Eastern Amateur Radio Group (Ireland) on recently passing the theory examination and receiving his licence

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late RSGB IOTA Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the RSGB IOTA Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Saturday, 21st-July, through Friday, 27th-July there were 212 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5Z, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY9, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/a, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

2011 DXCC YEARBOOK NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE. The latest ARRL Letter (July 26th) reports: "The 2011 ARRL DXCC Yearbook is now available to all ARRL members as a supplement to the August digital edition of QST at" http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201208/index.php?startid=rr
A printed copy of the Yearbook is also available for purchase on the ARRL Online Store at: http://www.arrl.org/shop/The-DXCC-Yearbook-2011
The contents include:
- The Year in Review by Carl Smith, N4AA
- PJ2/W5MPC, October 10-15, 2010 by Mike Corey, KI1U
- ST0R Story by Antonio Gonzalez, EA5RM/ST0R
- Clinton B. DeSoto Challenge standings
- 2011 DXCC Annual List"

4S, SRI LANKA (IOTA Op). Members of Radio Society of Sri Lanka (RSSL) will be active as 4S7LGT from the Beruwala lighthouse (ILLW LK0002) on Barberyn Island (AS-171) during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW), August 18-19th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via Bureau. For more info, please visit: http://www.rssl.lk/photo-gallery/lighthouse-expedition

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA. Champ, E21EIC, will be active as 9M2/E21EIC during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Look for activity before and after the contest. Champ is expected to be there between November 23-27th. QSL direct to E21EIC. JAs QSL via JR5XPG. NO eQSLs. Visit his Web page at: http://www.e21eic.net

A2, BOTSWANA (Update/Correction). Arnold, WB6OJB, will be active as A25JK (not A25JB) from the Lotsane Game and Safari Lodge in the extreme eastern part of Botswana between July 24-31st. He plans to be on the air every day. Activity will be on HF bands, 40-10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. He will use an Icom 746PRO, an Expert 1K amplifier, a Tennadyne T6 antenna with a vertical Butternut HF2V for 40 and 80 meters. Arnold states, "My wife, Joan and I go to southern Africa almost every year. We have done some missionary work in the past and continue to bring medicines to the medical clinics in the the areas we visit." QSL direct to his home callsign. He states, "For QSL DX stations please send 2 stamps and a 4x6 envelope. For State side QSL please send stamped 4x6 envelope. My QSL cards are unique and slightly larger than regular QSL cards. State side donation would be appreciated because of the cost of the cards."

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (Update). The CY9M St. Paul Island DXpedition is now active until August 1st. Activity will be on all bands between 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They announced on Tuesday: "Please note that CY9M will work SPLIT throughout the entire expedition (except during the IOTA contest)." Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3526, 7026, 10106, 14026, 18076, 21026, 24896 and 28026 kHz
SSB - 3793, 7185, 14215, 18160, 21295, 24950 and 28485 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10145, 18105, 21090, 24925 and 28090 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50105/SSB
All contacts will be verified via LoTW after their activity, and for those who want paper QSLs, Tim Beaumont, M0URX, will be the QSL Manager. The log will be available through ClubLog.

Remember, the following media pages are available for this operation at:
Website: http://www.cy9m.com/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/#!/CY9M
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/CY9M.2012

DX MAGAZINE ARTICLE (Info Needed!). "Dee" Logan, W1HEO, is researching an article on the rising costs of DXpeditons for the DX Magazine, and would like to hear from DXpeditioners for their comments on how to cover the rising costs of DXpeditions. Specific areas of interest: examples of specific costs and reasons for their larger amounts, and suggestions for new sources or approaches to donations. Comments are requested within the next two weeks. Respond to W1HEO at: deverelogan@gmail.com

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2011 - ZB2/VAI3TA Gibraltar DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ba3NvRTDk
2002 - VK9ML Mellish Reef DXpedition (Part 1-6, still looking for Part 7):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LGfb-ojvw (Part 1)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qG-8VmmoM (Part 2)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mR2-TFf2I (Part 3)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=802VozQkM (Part 4)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mJ0e0RjYs (Part 5)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IYj0lf6M4 (Part 6)
1998 - Conway Reef DXpediton: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NAATqP2BM
1992 - Glorioso Island DXpedition (Operators DJ6SI, DJ8CR, DJ3OS and DG4FCD): http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rBrgh55Ys
1980 - Glorioso Island DXpedition (Operators DJ6SI, DJ5RT, DJ7YQ, DJ3NG, DK9KX and DF3KX; formed the team of FR0DZ/G, FR0RZ/G, FR0CIW):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jsdKysQQA
1980 - Juan De Nova Island DXpedition (Operators DJ6SI, DL8CM, DJ5RT, DL6PE and F6EXV; formed the team of FR0DZ/J, FR0RX/J, FR0CIW/J):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vQ8CdkK87c

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish it.

E2, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, will be active as E21EIC during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL direct to E21EIC. JAs QSL via JR5XPG. NO eQSLs. Visit his Web page at: http://www.e21eic.net

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-008. Takeshi "TAKE", JI3DST, will be active as JI3DST/JI1 from Shikine Island (North Izu Island) between 0800z, July 27th and 0000z, July 30th. Activity during the RSGB IOTA Contest, Take will be signing JI3DST/1 (only). Operations will be on 40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. In case of heavy rain or other conditions, the operation

condition may vary, but he will be active during the IOTA
contest. QSL info for JI3DST/JI1 and JI3DST/1 is available
on QRZ.com.

AS-018. Operators Yuri/RA0FU, Vlad/RC0F and Igor/RU0FM will be active
as RU0FM from Sakhalin Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Single-TX/High-Power entry. QSL
via RU0FM.

AS-074. Ian, 9M2FB, will be active from Pulau Ketam Island (Crab Island)
during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/
CW-Mode/24HRS entry. QSL via 9M2FB.

AS-099. Operators Nuri/TA3X, Can/TA3GO, Mehmet/TA3ATA and Selim/TA3TTT
will be active as TC0P from Celebi Island during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Single-TX entry. QSL via
TA3X (see QRZ.com).

EU-014. Patrick, ON4HIL, will be active as TK/OT2A from the Island of
Corsica during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). He will
use a K3 into a G5RV. QSL via ON4HIL.

EU-025. Joe, IT9RZU, will be active from Sicily Island during the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/
CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, by the
Bureau or LoTW.

EU-040. Operators Jorge/CT1BOL, Augusto/CT1BZG, Jose/CT1DSV, Joaquim/
CT1DZR, Antonio/CT1ENV, Joel/CT1HXB and Mino/CT1IZW will be
active as CR5B from Berlenga Grande Island during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/Island entry. QSL
via CT1BOL.

EU-042. Peter, DC1HPS, will be active as homecall/p from Pellworm
Island (DID N-23, WLOTA 1188) during the RSGB IOTA Contest
(July 28-29th). He will be there between July 27-29th. QSL
via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-047. By the time you read this, operator Dominik/DL5EBE, Ric/DL2VFR,
Klaus/DL7UXG and Friedrich/DL4BBH will be active as DM50IOTA
from Borkum Island for an early start just before the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). The group will be a Multi-Op/
High-Power entry. QSL via Bureau if you really need a direct
QSL go via DL2VFR. ADDED NOTE: This is the second German Island
group activated by DM50IOTA during the 50th IOTA Marathon.
DM50IOTA will activate all German IOTA during that time. If
you have worked DM50IOTA from all German IOTA by the end of
2013 you can apply for a special award.

EU-055. Operators Bj rn/LA6SFA, Morten/LA7XIA, Knut/LA9RY,
Gerald/LA0HK,
Vikingstad/LA9YGA and Nils/LA6IOA will be active as LN4C from
Bokn

Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/
24HRS entry. QSL via LA4C.

EU-064. Members of the Provins ARC will active as F9IE from Noirmoutier
Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-
Op/Island/Mixed-Mode/24HRS/Low-Power entry. QSL via F9IE, direct
or by the Bureau.

EU-066. Operators Vasily/RU3SD, Sergei/UA3SKV and R3S-367 (SWL) will
be active as RK3SWB/1 from Solovetskiy Island (possibly
Anzerskiy Island) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th)
as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via the Bureau or direct (QRZ.com).

EU-081. Antoine, F5RAB, will be active as F5RAB/P from Ile du Large
(DIFM MA-001, WLOTA L0060, DPLF PB-052, WW Loc IN99KL, DFCF50-
013 Fort de l'�le du large) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July
28-29th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/24HRS/DXpedition/Low-Power
entry. He will use 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via his home
callsign. He mentions that access to the island is very re-
stricted, landing depends highly on the weather conditions
and is dangerous, so he is not sure he'll be on the air in
time for the contest.

EU-084. Mel, SM0MPV, will be active as SK0HS/0 (the H�sselby Strand's
Sea Scout group's callign) from Blido Island during the RSGB
IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/SSB-Mode/
Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or by the Bureau.

EU-120. A small group of operators will be active as MX0LDG from Lundy
Island between October 11-16th. They will have 2 stations on
the air between 0600-0000 each day - the islands power closes
down at midnight each day. Activity will be on SSB and possibly
some Digital modes. The equipment will consist of a Elekraft
K3 and KPA500 amp, a Kenwood TS590s and Expert 1KW amp, and a
Icom IC706 as a backup radio. Antennas will be 2 G3XTQ Hex-
beams built by MW0JZE (see http://www.g3txq-hexbeam.com) and
a Vertical for 40m. Operators mentioned are John/M5JON (Team
Leader), Pete/M0ILT, Ant/MW0JZE and Chris/G1VDP. A special QSL
card will be available through the team's manager Tim, M0URX,
and all logs will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog. Please use
the OQRS on Tim's Web site <http://m0urx.com/oqrs/>. DO NOT
SEND CARDS FOR THIS ACTIVATION VIA THE BUREAU PLEASE USE OQRS.

EU-121. Gerard, EI5KF, will be active as EI5KF/P from Lohehort Battery,
Bere Island, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a
Single-Op/12HRS/CW-Mode/Low-Power entry. QSL via EI5KF.

EU-123. Operators Tom/MM0BHX, Gordon/MM0GPZ, Iain/GM0OQV, Philip/
GM0LIR and Brian/GM0EGI will be active as GM0B from Isle of
Bute during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Op
entry. QSL via MM0BHX.

EU-130. Operators Ivan/IV3CTS, Marijan/S56A and Goran/YT7AW will be active as IL3/IV3CTS from Grado Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via the Bureau.

EU-136. Marcus, DL3NCI, will be active as 9A/DL3NCI from Losinj Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode/12HRS/QRP/Low-Power entry. He will be there • 2 days outside of the contest and operating holiday style. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-136. Neven, 9A5YY, will be active from Losinj Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/12HRS/QRP/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-164. Operators Tom/DL2RMC and Heiko/DL1RTL will be active as TK/homecall from Piana Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as Single-Ops/12HRS/CW-Mode entry. They will use a vertical antenna. Tom will run QRP, while Heiko runs Low-Power. QSL via their home callsigns.

EU-170. Matus, HA9MDN, will be active as 9A/HA9MDN from Vir Island between July 28th and August 4th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). Operations will be on SSB, RTTY and SSTV. QSL via HA9MDN, by the Bureau or eQSL.

EU-182. A Russian-Ukrainian team of nine operators will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as UT/UA3A from Ochakovsky Island (WFF: URFF-006, WW Grid: KN45TJ). Operators mentioned are Vlad/UA3A, George/RQ7M, R6LP, Vlad/RJ3FF, Liliya/RN3AQU, Andrei/UA3EDP, Mike/UA3EKG, Boris/UT7UT and Nikolay/UX0FF. Look for the operators outside of contest to sign UT/UA3A, UT/RQ7M, UT/R6LP, UT/RJ3FF, UT/RN3AQU, UT/UA3EDP, UT/UA3EKG, UT7UT/P and UX0FF/P. QSL UT/UA3A via UA3A, by the Bureau dor direct.

NA-026. Mike, N2GC, will be active from Long Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/CW-Mode entry. QSL via LoTW.

NA-031. John, NY6DX, will be active as NY6DX/1 from Block Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/12HRS/Low-Power. QSL via his homecall, LoTW or eQSL.

NA-046. Howard, K1VSJ, will be active from Martha's Vineyard during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/Unassited/24HRS entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-059. Tim, NL8F, will be active from Unalaska Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via K8NA.

NA-143. Members of the Cavalla Historical Society Radio Club will be active as N5BPS from Pelican Island, near Galveston, TX, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th). They will be operating from the radio room on board of USS Stewart at Seawolf Memorial Park. QSL via N5BPS - SASE appreciated.

SA-046. A group of Brazilian operators will be active as PX7C from Itamaraca Island, Brazil, during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Antonio/PY7OO, Benedito/PY7VI and Jim/PY7XC. QSL via PY7CRA.

J49, CRETE (IOTA Contest). Operators Manos/SV9JI, Dimis/SV9COL, John/SV9CJO, Georgios/SV9DJO, George/SV9GPV, Manolis/SV9IOI, Konstantinos/SV9OFS and Christo/LZ3FN will be active as J49A from Falaserna Beach, near Chania City the west part of Crete (EU-015) during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to SV9GPV.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (July 23-29th)....
Jul/30th AN Aug/02nd AN-HN Aug/04th AN
Jul/31st AN Aug/03rd HN-AN Aug/05th AN
Aug/01st AN-HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

N8, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Look for special event station N8M operating from the Henry Ford/Greenfield Village (Detroit) Maker Faire, July 28-29th. Activity will be on all bands and modes, including the satellite and 6 meters. Satellite operations will be active on all modes on as many passes as possible. QSL via the info on the Ford Amateur Radio League Web site at: http://www.k8utt.org/index.htm

OJ0, MARKET REEF (Press Release - date July 23rd) [edited]: "A limited Market Reef (OJ0) activation during the IOTA Contest -- Next Friday morning on the 27th of July, a group consisting of G3TXF, G3XTT, SM0DZB and SM0W will attempt to land on Market Reef (OJ0), now from Sweden, with a small boat to activate the Reef during the IOTA contest as OJ0R, EU-053. During last winter the Lighthouse on the Reef lost all permanent antennas plus the wind generator, so the team will put up several vertical antennas and dipoles and run modest power.
The main goal for the team on this trip will be to prepare for a new permanent antenna installation that will be done later in August. SM0W will also collaborate with the Finnish Lighthouse Society to find a good permanent solution for the electricity for future activations. They will still try to keep at least one station open for the IOTA contest. The

team will try to leave the Reef early Monday morning on the 30th of July, says team leader Teemu, SM0W. QSL OJ0R via G3TXF. For more information see: http://www.qrz.com/db/oj0r/ "

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 27th)

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AN2AHS via EC2AHS LA/DL6NDW via DL6NDW SV0XAF/8 via HB9EBC
BW/DF8DX via DF8DX LX/OP50LX via ON4CHN SV5/OK5MM via OK2JS
EE2SS via EA2SS MJ/OT9Z via ON8ZZ SV9/LZ3FN via LZ1PM
EH1FGS via EA1DST MO0CEF via DL2LFH SW8LR via HA0NAR
EL2BG via KI6YIP MU0NMS/P via LX1NO (d) TM2BZH via F6CNM
EM0MFF via UX7MA MW0REN via DJ6OI UE40MD via UA4LU
FR/TU5KG via F4DXW OP7V via ON7VA VX2I via VE2CQ
GO0OOO via G-Bureau R8MC/9 via R8MC YE9IOTA via YB9BU (d)
GO0RPM via G0RPM R100PZ via RK3DYB YL/OH5LID via OH5LID
LA/DL1CW via DL1CW SM1/DL2GW/P via DL2GW YQ0BIKE via YO6KNE
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: AE4Y, AE5ZD, DJ5AN, DK3EG, EA4TX, EA7JZ, EU4CQ, FP/KV1J, HG2011E, HG2011I, HG2011N, HA80MRASZ, HA5BSW, JA5TNF, KH2D, KP2MM, KX4WB, LZ7HQ, M0AID, PR7AP, PV8ADI, PY3ED, RN4ABD, UA1ANR, UA6GP, US1UX, VE3RTU, VK0IR, VK7ZE, W1AW/7, W1MA, W4RM, WA4GP, VY2ZM, WD5COV, WQ5L, YB0DJ and ZP6CW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5W0DP, 8P9NX, 8R1PY, A5A, D3AA, J69N, WG6O/KH6, XU7FMZ, XX9E and ZA1QA

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

S7, SEYCHELLES. Operators Luca/I5IHE (S79LC), Danio/I5OYY (S79YY) and Simone/IK5RUN (S79XX) will be active from Praslin Island (AF-024) between October 21st and November 4th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL S79LC via I5IHE direct only. QSL S79YY via I5OYY (direct + SASE and LoTW). QSL S79XX via IK5RUN (direct + SASE and LoTW).

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI (Update). Alex, PY2WAS, sent the following press release (#2) on June 24th, with updated details on the upcoming T30PY/ T30SIX DXpedition to Tarawa Island (OC-017), Western Kiribati, between October 16-25th: "Preparation of antennas and gear progress successful. Between August 17-19th, the whole team will gather at PW2D contest station to test antennas and stations that will be used in the expedition. At this time each one will carry back home the items that will be transported as individual baggage in the airlines. Unfortunately, excess baggage is a main concern mainly within the Pacific island flights.
As previously announced the group is very committed to put a meaningful effort on Low Bands and Six meters.
We would like to thank clubs, companies and individuals for their donations and for making this Dxpedition possible. Donations will certainly

enhance our performance, enabling us to take better antennas and gears.
Our QSL policy has also been improved to better match people's needs.
Five different QSO confirmation possibilities are available including a
fast track for donors.
Details can be checked at: http://www.mdxc.org/t30py/ "

TO2, ST. BARTHELEMY (Update to OPDX.1068). Ludovic, HB9EOU, will be
active as TO2D from St. Barthelemy Island (NA-146) during the RSGB IOTA
Contest (July 28-29the) as a Single-Op/SSB-Mode/24HRS entry. QSL via
HB9EOU, direct or by the Bureau. He currently on the island with Andre,
HB9CVC, until August 4th. For more details and udates, visit:
http://st-barth.hb9eme.ch

TT8, CHAD. Members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" will be active as
TT8TT from N'Djamena, Chad, during October 2012 (specific dates to be
announced). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.
Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3530, 7025, 10113, 14050, 18069, 21050, 24891 and 28450 kHz
SSB - 3790, 7056, 7125, 14270, 18130, 21275, 24980 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - 7041, 10142, 14080, 18103, 21080, 24915 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50105/SSB
Operators have not yet been announced, but the pilot station is IK7JWY.
QSL direct via I2YSB. QSL by the Bureau via IK2CIO. Logs will be posted
to LoTW within six months. A TT8TT survey (for needs), a log search and
an OQRS are all available on their Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum is at: http://bit.ly/NVQaav
Look for more details to be forthcoming.

V6, MICRONESIA. Masatuki, JH1DVG, will be active as V63JX from Pohnpei
Island (OC-010) between November 23-26th. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10
meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

V8, BRUNEI (Update/Press Release). The follwing are edited excerpts from
a press release (#4) sent out on July 25th, by the "Mediterraneo DX Club":
"Great news from Brunei! Thanks to the efforts, made during the past weeks
by the V84SMD team, the Magic Band will come back. -- Members of a 18
multi-national DXpedition team organized to be active between November
11-23rd by the Italian Mediterraneo DX Club, has obtained a 50 MHz license
and will now be able to put up a dedicated antenna for this band!
This is a real great target reached by the team, and just as a reminder,
they will be active on all bands/modes, 24 hours per day because the six
meters band from V8 land has come back on air after a silence of more than
10 years! So, all of the team is very happy to give to the DX community
this great opportunity to work them on 6m. Once again the very motivated
and professional V84SMD guys are asking for support to help them in any
way -- even with small donations. Please, don't miss any updated news by
visiting (from time to time), the DXpedition official Web site at:
http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd "

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update). Bob, KK6EK, Team Leader/Organizer of the
planned 2014 Cordell Expedition to Heard Island, has posted two documents
of interest for DXers to read on Heard Island Web page at:

the http://www.cordell.org/HD
Documents are:
1. The Preliminary Project Description for the 2014 Heard Island
Expedition (v. 3.7, PDF, 6 MB):

http://www.cordell.org/HD/HD_documents/HD2014/HIP_Project_Description_3.7X.
pdf
PLEASE NOTE: This document is revised often. They request that you do
not
distribute out-of-date versions.

2. The book VK0IR Heard Island, by KK6EK (1997, PDF files, various sizes,
entire book 100 MB):
http://www.cordell.org/HD/HD_documents/VK0IR/VK0IR_Book.PDF
(The book is available in parts -- see Web page)

Bob states on the Web page, "Currently we are elaborating the scientific
program for the expedition and adding to the list of candidates for the
team. We are pleased to have Jean-Michel Cousteau as Honorary Expedition
Leader and Joe Taylor N1JT (Nobel physics) as Honorary DXpedition Leader.
If you have interest in being involved in the project as a team member,
advisor, scientist, sponsor, or in any other capacity, we would welcome
your inquiry."

VP2V, BRITISH VIGRIN ISLANDS (Update). Steve, AA7V, will once again be
active as VP2V/homecall from Virgin Gorda (Tortola) between September
26th and October 1st. He mentions that he will be in the CQWW DX RTTY
Contest (September 29-30th), and probably won't take a keyer/paddles and
possibly a microphone. Steve states, "I will lug my Ameritron amp down
there and (hopefully) run 400w. I have a G5RV and an 80/40 trap dipole
which will both hang off the porch of one of those cliffside villas. If
any time, I will try 17 meter RTTY. Thank goodness no 160 in this contest."
QSL via AA7V direct or LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLS. ADDED NOTE: Also look for
Art/N3DXX and Steve/AA7V, to be going to Virgin Gorda, BVI, starting
Wednesday November 21st through (tentative) Monday December 3rd. They
will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single
entry and the ARRL 160m CW Contest (November 30th-December 2nd) with
N3DXX as a Single op (tentative) using the callsign VP2V/AA7V. They
will run high power/400w for both contests. Outside of the contests,
they will be on the WARC bands possibly, if time permits. QSL LoTW or
direct. NO BUREAU QSLS.

WAEDC CW CONTEST. Helmut, DF7ZS, WAEDC Manager, would like to remind
everyone that between 0000z Saturday, August 11th and 2359z Sunday,
August 12th, the next edition of the "Worked All Europe DX Contest CW"
is hitting the HF bands again! They would appreciate your participation
in this exciting event. Complete rules can be found here:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/rules
For latest news and updates you can also join them on the WAEDC Facebook
group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/453972741287450/

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The following stations are expected to be active in the
RSGB IOTA Contest (July 28-29th, 2012)
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Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2012 RSGB IOTA Contest. For
a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/iota2012.html
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Contest DXCC IOTA Island QSL Route-(B)Bureau/
Callsign Entity (e)eQSL/(L)LotW/(d)direct
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5Q2T Denmark EU-172 Fyn OZ0J
9A/DL3NCI Croatia EU-136 Losinj DL3NCI
9A/HA6PS Croatia EU-170 Passman HA6NL
9A/HA9MDN Croatia EU-170 Vir HA9MDN; QSL (B)/(e)
9A/OM2FY Croatia EU-016 Brac OM2FY
9A/OM5AW Croatia EU-136 Krk OM2FY
9A/OM5MC Croatia EU-136 Krk OM2FY
9A/OO4O Croatia EU-136 Krk LoTW; QSL via OO4O (B)
9A/S57UN Croatia EU-136 Rab S57UN
9A4KJ/p Croatia EU-136 Rab
9A5YY Croatia EU-136 Losinj 9A5YY
9A8ZRS Croatia EU-110 Sveti Ivan Auto (B); QSL via S57L
9A0D Croatia EU-170 Zirje Auto (B)
9M2FB West Malaysia AS-074 Pulau Ketam 9M2FB
AD5WB USA NA-143 Galveston LoTW;QSL AD5WB
(B)(d)(e)
BO0M Taiwan AS-113 Matsu QSL ART (see QRZ.com)
BY2HIT/2 China AS-158 Guanglu BY2HIT
BY4DX/5 China AS-137 Shensi BD4HF; QSL via (B)(d)
CR5B Portugal EU-040 Berlenga Grande CT1BOL
CR6W Portugal EU-150 Insua CS5DX
CY9M St. Paul Island NA-094 St. Paul LoTW; QSL via M0URX
DA0T Germany EU-127 Neuwerk DL7AT
DC1HPS/p Germany EU-043 Pellworm DC1HPS; QSL via (B)(d)
DL1KZA Germany EU-057 Ruegen DL1KZA (B)
DL5KUD Germany EU-057 Ruegen OQRS
DG5LAC/p Germany EU-129 Usedom DG5LAC
DL0KWH/p Germany EU-129 Usedom DL0KWH (B)
DM3X/p Germany EU-129 Goermitz DM3X (B)
DM50IOTA Germany EU-047 Borkum DM50IOTA; QSL (B)(d)
DO6UL/p Germany EU-129 Usedom
DS0DX/2 South Korea AS-105 Kanghwa HL1IWD
DU8/DF8DX Philippines OC-130 Mindanao LoTW; QSL DF8DX (B)(d)
EA6/IZ2LSC Balearic Island EU-004 Menorca IZ2LSC
ED5K Spain EU-093 Tabarca EA5RKB
EF8U Canary Islands AF-004 Gran Canaria EA8URL
EI5KF/p Ireland EU-121 Bere EI5KF
EJ3Z Ireland EU-121 Inis Boffin EI5GUB
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EJ0PL Ireland EU-103 Little Saltee EI5JQ; QSL via EI
(B)(d)
ES5GP/8 Estonia EU-178 Kihnu ES5GP
ES0U Estonia EU-034 Saaremaa ES2DJ; QSL via (B)
ES0W Estonia EU-178 Ruhnu SP7DPJ; QSL via (B)(d)
F/OO5C/p France EU-032 Oleron ON5HC
F5RAB/p France EU-081 Ile du Large F5RAB
F9IE France EU-064 Nourmoutier F9IE
G0VJG England EU-011 St Mary G4DFI
GJ2A Jersey EU-013 Jersey LoTW; QSL via GJ3DVC
GM1J Scotland EU-092 Tanera Mor LoTW; QSL MM0BQI (B)(d)
GM7A Scotland EU-008 Gigha GM7A; QSL via (B) or
(d)
GM0B Scotland EU-123 Isle of Bute MM0BHX
GU7O Guernsey EU-114 Guernsey GW3SQX
GW4TTA Wales EU-124 Holy LoTW; QSL via GW4TTA
(B)
HH2/9A7GAE Haiti NA-096 Hispaniola 9A2TN
HI3/KL7JR Dominican Republic NA-096 Hispaniola KL7JR
IA5Z Italy EU-028 Capraia IV3ODE; QSL via (B)(d)
IB0F Italy EU-045 Ponza TBA
IB0R Italy EU-045 Ventotene
IC8FBU Italy EU-031 Capri IC8FBU
IC8WIC Italy EU-031 Capri IC8WIC
ID8/IQ8CS Italy EU-144 Dino IQ8CS
IF9/IT9BXR Italy EU-054 Favignana IT9BXR
IF9ZWA/p Italy EU-054 Favignana LoTW; QSL IF9ZWA (B)(d)
IH9YMC Italy AF-018 Pantelleria eQSL
IJ7A Italy EU-073 San Pietro IK7XIV; QSL via (B)(d)
IL3/IV3CTS Italy EU-130 Grado
IP1/IQ1SP Italy EU-083 Tino IZ5JLF
IP1T Italy EU-083 Tino IZ5JLF
IQ7HK Italy EU-091 Capezzone IK7FPX
IS0/OM8A Sardinia EU-024 Sardinia OM2VL
IT9RZU Italy EU-025 Sicily LoTW; QSL via IT9RZU
(B)
J49A Crete EU-015 Crete LoTW
JA8COE/8 Japan AS-147 Yagishiri JA8COE; QSL via (B)(d)
JI3DST/1 Japan AS-008 Shikine JI3DST
K1VSJ USA NA-046 Martha's Vineyard K1VSJ; QSL via (B)(d)
K4VAC USA NA-083 Tangier
K5KUA/5 USA NA-143 Galveston LoTW; QSL K5KUA (B)(d)
LA/SP7IDX Norway EU-044 Mageroya LoTW; QSL via SP7IDX
LA/SP7VC Norway EU-044 Mageroya LoTW; QSL via SP7VC
LN4C Norway EU-055 Bokn LA4C
LZ0I Bulgaria EU-181 Sveti Ivan
M7X England EU-120 Isle of Wight G0TSM
MM3KBU/p Scotland EU-008 Lismore M3KBU direct
MM6GCS/p Scotland EU-123 Isle of Mull M6GCS direct
MM0TFU/p Scotland EU-123 Isle of Arran LoTW; QSL MM0TFU (B)(d)

MU0HTJ Guernsey EU-114 Guernsey 2E0SQL
N1LI USA NA-137 Long N1LI
N2GC USA NA-026 Long LoTW
N2US/3 USA NA-139 Assateague LoTW; QSL via N2US
(B)(d)
N5BPS USA NA-143 Pelican N5BPS SASE
NE1RD/1 USA NA-148 Lovell NE1RD
NL8F Alaska NA-059 Unalaska K8NA
NY6DX/1 USA NA-031 Block LoTW; QSL NY6DX or (e)
OG5A Finland EU-140 Kuorsalo OH5AD
OJ0R Market Reef EU-053 Market Reef G3TXF
OH1TD Finland EU-096 Korpo OH1TD (B)
OH10TA Finland EU-096 Kustavi OH1MN; QSL via (B)(d)
OH2CI/p Finland EU-096 Kustavi
OH0X Aland Island EU-002 Brando OH2TA
OU2I Denmark EU-172 Aro OZ1BII
OZ/DF9TM Denmark EU-125 Romo DF9TM (B)
OZ/DL2SWW Denmark EU-125 Romo DL2SWW (B)
OZ4CG Denmark EU-030 Bornholm OZ4CG
OZ4FF Denmark EU-030 Bornholm LoTW
OZ8MW/p Denmark EU-088 Anholt OZ8MW; QSL via (B)(d)
PA/ON6CQ Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON6CQ
PA6NH Netherlands EU-038 Texel PA6NH
PA7DN/p Netherlands EU-038 Terschelling PA7DN
PE3V/p Netherlands EU-038 Texel PE3V
PF4C Netherlands EU-146 Schouwen Duiveland ON4ON
PR5D Brazil SA-047 Mel PY5DC direct
PX7C Brazil SA-046 Itamaraca PY7CRA
RI0K Russia (Asia) AS-061 Ratmanova RW3RN
RK3SWB/1 Russia (Europe) EU-066 Solovetskiy
RU0FM Russia (Asia) AS-018 Sakhalin RU0FM
SA1A Sweden EU-020 Gotland SM1TDE (B)
SA6G/7 Sweden EU-137 Ven SM6CUK; QSL via (B)(d)
SB3X Sweden EU-087 Bramon LoTW; QSL SM0SHG (B)(d)
SK0HS/0 Sweden EU-084 Blido LoTW ; QSL via SM0MPV
(B)
SM5/DL3KUD Sweden EU-177 Kattilo DL3KUD
SN0RX Poland EU-132 Wolin SP8RX
SW8LR Greece EU-174 Thassos HA0NAR
TA3J/0 Turkey AS-099 Yassica TA3J
TC0KLH Turkey AS-159 Kefken TC0KLH (B); QSL (B)(d)
TC0P Turkey AS-099 Celebi TA3X
TK/DL2RMC Corsica EU-014 Piana DL2RMC
TK/DL1RTL Corsica EU-014 Corsica DL1RTL
TK/OT2A Corsica EU-014 Corsica ON4HIL
TM7T France EU-039 Chausey OT9Z
TO2D St Barthelemy NA-146 St Barthelemy HB9EOU
TO2U St Pierre & Miquelon NA-032 Miquelon OQRS
UT/UA3A Ukraine EU-182 Ochakovsky UA3A
UT7E/p Ukraine EU-179 Kalanch UT7EZZ

UT9IO/p Ukraine EU-182 Zmeiniy UT9IO
V31MX Belize NA-073 Cay Caulker LoTW
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis NA-104 St Kitts LoTW; QSL via W5JON
VC1X Canada NA-081 Little Tancook VE1CDD
VE1AL Canada NA-010 Cape Breton VE1AL
VE2DRO Canada NA-128 Coudres VE2DRO
VE7RSV/p Canada NA-091 Broughton VE7RSV; QSL via (B)(d)
VE8EV/p Canada NA-129 Banks VE8EV
VE9GLF Canada NA-126 Johns VE9MY
VE9MY Canada NA-126 Johns VE9MY
VK4NM/p Australia OC-142 Fraser M0OXO
VK4EI Australia OC-227 Sweers VK4SWE
VK4SWE Australia OC-227 Sweers VK4SWE
VR2/W8AY Hong Kong AS-006 Lamma R2AD
VX2I Canada NA-128 Ile Verte VE2CQ; QSL via (B)(d)
VY2TT Canada NA-029 Prince Edward K6LA
W1ASB/p USA NA-136 Ram W1ASB
W4O USA NA-067 Ocracoke N4YDU direct
WD5IYT USA NA-092 Mustang LoTW; QSL WD5IYT (B)(d)
W6UX/p USA NA-144 Anacapa W6UX
WB8YJF/4 USA NA-067 Ocracoke WB8YJF; QSL via (B)(d)
YE9IOTA Indonesia OC-150 Trawangan YB9BU
ZV1M Brazil SA-029 Itacuruca PY1MT direct

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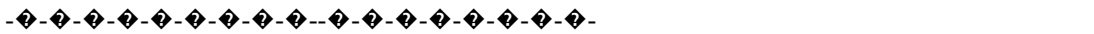
-  -

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1355. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 27 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-27 16:36:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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W9I - Special Event - Ernie Pyle Island in Cunot Indiana

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 07:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355572-W9I-Special-Event-Ernie-Pyle-Island-in-Cunot-Indiana&goto=newpost

W9I will be on the air from August 3 through August 5, operating from Ernie Pyle Island in Cagles Mill Lake near Cunot Indiana in Owen County. Aug 3 marks the 112th birthday of Hoosier Journalist and WWII corespondent, Ernest Taylor Pyle. Ernie Pyle was known by every GI and his writing style and presentations brought the faraway battlefields to our homes. Ernie was like a member of the family and submitted his stories to over 300 publications. On April 18th, 1945, he made the greatest sacrifice when he was killed by a sniper on the Japanese island of "le Shema".

The W9I team will be working stations on HF, VHF, UHF, and DSTAR using CW, SSB, PACKET, and PSK31 modes. Ernie Pyle Island has been registered with the US Islands Award Program and the team will be trying to get it qualified that weekend. Qualification for the USi program requires 25 contacts, and at least two have to be from different DXCC entities.

See W9I here on qrz.com or visit the W9I page at KB9BVN.NET for more details.

QSL cards can be obtained for your contacts by sending a QSL and SASE to KB9BVN

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N5BPS IOTA NA-143 Pelican Island this RSGB IOTA contest

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 11:52 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355523-N5BPS-IOTA-NA-143-Pelican-Island-this-RSGB-IOTA-contest&goto=newpost

Cavalla Historical Amateur Radio Society group will be operating N5BPS (the WWII original call of submarine Cavalla was NBPS) from the radio room of USS Destroyer Escort Stewart located on Pelican Island (NA 143) during the upcoming RSGB IOTA contest.

The group is actively working on restoration of WWII radio equipment on both ships - USS submarine Cavalla and USS DE Stewart located near Galveston TX in Seawolf Memorial park .

If you missed the boats during our recent events ☐ Museum Ships Weekend and Field Day - here is you chance again to stop by and say ahoy.

Operating from WWII veteran ships is a rare experience and all visitors are welcome to ☐come aboard☐ Stewart's air-conditioned radio room(!) to operate.

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1356. eHam.net News for Friday 27 July 2012

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Tri-State Amateur Radio Association to Host 50th Annual Hamfest:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28688

The Tri-State Amateur Radio Association (TARA) will host the 50th Annual Hamfest in Huntington from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 11, according to a news release from the organization. The event will be at a new location for it's golden anniversary at the Christ Temple Church complex. Hamfest was previously held at the Veterans Memorial Field House until it was demolished this year. The new location will offer unlimited free parking and a new, modern facility for the event.

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Tiny Japanese Satellite Will Write Morse Code Messages in the Sky:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28687

The robotic Japanese cargo vessel now en route to the International Space Station is loaded with food, clothes, equipment -- and a set of tiny amateur radio satellites, including one that will write Morse code messages in the sky. Japan's unmanned H-2 Transfer Vehicle-3 launched July 20 and is slated to arrive at the station Friday (July 27). The ultrasmall satellites it's carrying, which are known as cubesats, will likely remain on the orbiting lab until September, when they'll be deployed by Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide using the Kibo module's robotic arm.

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Ulster County Radio Group Seeks to Use Tower on Town of Ulster Land:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28686

TOWN OF ULSTER, N.Y. -- The Town Board is reviewing a request from the Ulster County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service to use an abandoned radio tower at the town Highway Department site on East Chester Street Bypass. Town Highway Superintendent Frank Petramale said during a recent board meeting that the tower is not needed for municipal business. "There is a vacant tower that's attached to the rear of our salt shed that was put in by the fire department, Ulster Hose," Petramale said. "They have since stopped using that and moved their antenna and repeater up to Jockey Hill." The Ulster County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service, known as RACES,

said in a June 26 letter from member Matthew Bechtold that the group has been using a repeater on a building used by the Ulster County Health Department at 300 Flatbush Ave. in Kingston -- a building that county officials plan to sell. "We are local ham radio operators that provide backup communications during disasters when phone lines are down or overloaded, as on 9/11," Bechtold wrote in describing RACES. "We assisted the Red Cross, teaming up with them to provide emergency communications to get messages and supplies in and out of New York City. Also, during flooding in Sullivan County, we teamed up with the Red Cross and worked their emergency response vehicles to communicate where supplies and food were needed."

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ARNewsline Report 1824 July 27 2012:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28685

The following is a Q-S-T. The International Amateur Radio Union to vote on admitting two new members; Solar Cycle 24 heats up with a massive East coast VHF band opening; the London 2012 Olympics ham radio stations take to the air and four new ham radio CubeSats go skyward. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1824 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #30:

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http://www.eham.net/articles/28684

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by IZ3DBA, NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28683

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Board Plans for 2014 Centennial Celebration at 2012 Second Meeting:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28682

When the ARRL Board of Directors met for its 2012 Second Meeting July 20-21 in Windsor, Connecticut, it did so with a full agenda. Besides hearing and approving recommendations from its two standing committees -- the Administration and Finance Committee and the Programs and Services Committee -- the Board voted to hold the 2014 ARRL

National Convention July 17-20 in Hartford, Connecticut, the birthplace of the League in 1914.

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ARRL Board of Directors Names Award Recipients at 2012 Second Meeting:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28681

The ARRL Board of Directors named four ARRL award recipients at their July 20-21 meeting in Windsor, Connecticut: the 2011 Doug DeMaw, W1FB, Technical Excellence Award; the 2012 ARRL Technical Innovation Award; the 2012 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award, and the 2012 Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award. In addition, the Board named former ARRL West Gulf Division Director Thomas W. Comstock, N5TC, as Director Emeritus of the ARRL.

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Heathkit Declares Bankruptcy, Closes for Good (Again):

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28680

The July 19 edition of The Herald-Palladium -- a newspaper serving the communities of Benton Harbor and St Joseph, Michigan -- is reporting that Heathkit Education Company has declared bankruptcy and has officially closed its doors after defaulting on its lease. According to the paper, Heathkit employed more than 1800 people in its heyday after World War II. When it finally closed, its workforce totaled fewer than six people.

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The Bands Heat Up for the 2012 ARRL August UHF Contest:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28679

VHF/UHF weak-signal operators across North America are making final tests on their stations in preparation for the ARRL August UHF Contest, which is coming up over the weekend of August 4-5. According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, this contest will focus on 222 MHz and above. There will be lots of activity, and hopefully lots of propagation, too!

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Special Event Stations in London and Wales On the Air for Olympic Games:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28678

Two special event call signs were activated on Wednesday, July 25 to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales. Both stations will be on the air for the duration of the Games -- July 25-August 12 -- and

continuing through September 9.

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Vanity Call Sign Fee to Go Up 80 Cents:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28677

On July 20, the FCC announced that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from $14.20 to $15. The fee will increase 30 days after notice of the increase is published in the Federal Register; no date has yet been set for publication. Earlier this year, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs.

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Vic Poor, W5SMM, Receives ARRL President's Award:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28676

On July 9, Victor (Vic) Poor, W5SMM, of Melbourne, Florida, was awarded the ARRL President's Award at the Platinum Coast Amateur Radio Society's (PCARS) monthly meeting that was attended by nearly 100 hams and non-hams, many from out of town. There have been only a handful of recipients of this prestigious award.

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The 2011 ARRL DXCC Now Available:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28675

The 2011 ARRL DXCC Yearbook is now available to all ARRL members as a supplement to the August digital edition of QST.

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W1AW EchoLink and IRLP Nodes Back In Service:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28674

W1AW EchoLink and IRLP Nodes Back In Service:

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Counterfeit Transistors eBay -- Beware!

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28672

Recently I purchased RF transistors on eBay to service a TS-950 radio. I bought them from Yankee_Electronic, and eBay seller based in China. The part was 2SC1971. I am a longtime eBay seller/buyer and have never had issues. That qualified me as naive. The parts I bought have the collectors/emitters reversed, which makes a nice short-circuit for the

collector supply. Upon close inspection, I noticed that the silkscreening of the part number is over a "glossy" coat of paint, designed to obscure the old part number. I also bought some other devices from the same seller which do not work.

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Fox Hunt in Gwalior:

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 03:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28671

Gwalior HAMs conducted a Fox hunt here in Gwalior on 14 July 2012. Formed 3 teams consisting 3 members in two rounds and winner from both rounds had a final round.The photographs shows the activity carried out here in Gwalior for the first time. Jayu VU2JAU and Aniket VU2LOL (FOX) were the main HAMs for conduction.

1357. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 27 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-28 02:09:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934109dd94f5304c5da50c8@google.com>
Source record: 2424
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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ARNewsline Report 1824 July 27 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 12:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFsAfmN39Wb5iBrtZwH3S20fpGr6A&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28685

ARNewsline Report 1824 July 27 2012:
eHam.net
The International Amateur Radio Union to vote on admitting two new members; Solar Cycle 24 heats up with a massive East coast VHF band opening; the London 2012 Olympics ham radio stations take to the air and four new ham radio CubeSats go skyward.

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VIDEO: Middletown Amateur Radio Club Marks 50 Years Since Telstar Launch - Patch.com

Posted: 18 Jul 2012 02:52 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFiZ0szkQnGAXUzf69OaHXO2VBeXw&url=http://middletown-nj.patch.com/articles/telstar

VIDEO: Middletown Amateur Radio Club Marks 50 Years Since Telstar Launch
Patch.com
... the author; July 18, 2012. Tweet. Email. Print. Comment. 0 of 0. new Video_thumb. Embed | Share. The Middletown Amateur Radio Clubs Steve Wolkovitz of Holmdel demonstrates on July 10 how ham operators communicate with people around the world.

and more

1358. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 28 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-28 06:47:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934109d52aadc04c5de32c9@google.com>
Source record: 2425
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Oklahoma City 'Ham Holiday' (Hamfest)

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 10:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355500-Oklahoma-City-Ham-Holiday-(Hamfest)&goto=newpost

July 27 and July 28, 2012 - Ham Holiday

Biltmore Hotel

401 South Meridian Ave.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73108

Ham Holiday will be at the Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City again this year.
Please visit the link below for more information.

http://www.hamholiday.org/

ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, will be the guest speaker.

This year Texas Towers will also be there.

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DXCC-EAST Convention - Frederick, MD - August 25, 2012 - Vendors, Speakers & Dinner

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 08:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355436-DXCC-EAST-Convention-Frederick-MD-August-25-2012-Vendors-Speakers-amp-Dinner&goto=newpost

Hello Fellow DXers and Contesters:

I look forward to see all that can make it to the 1st DXCC-East Convention in Frederick, Maryland on Saturday, August 25, 2012, 8:30 AM to 9:00 PM. We have a full day planned with great speakers, vendors, dinner and three Grand Prizes (IC-7600, FT-2000 and ACOM-1010) plus more.

Website: www.dxcceast.com

If you live in Maryland, Wash. DC, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and PA, you should not miss this event. No matter where you live, you are welcome to visit our wonderful state. It is our plan to make this event like the Visalia convention only on the east coast. Any money made from

this evening will be used to support DX related activities (i.e. dx-pedition donations, educations and training and youth development).

As of today, July 25 we have 113 confirmed people for the dinner (106) and general administration (7) with another 10 planning and we are awaiting money. Our goal is to have 160 for dinner and a total 175 - Please come join us in making this a successful event!

If you have 8 friends that want to book a table together for dinner, I provide 10% discount on dinner and general admin ticket. Go register your club members at www.dxcceast.com

Sincerely,

David Collingham - K3LP

(301) 639-9000 cell

NCDXA President

www.NCDXA.org

www.DXCCEAST.com

www.K3LP.com

1359. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 28 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-28 11:08:00 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5396b3e1cb7dd04c5e1d753@google.com>
Source record: 2426
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Coventry Social Event Callsign Issued

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RwtVxmi44k0/coventry_social_event_callsign_issued.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society has organised a social event in
Coventry and all are welcome. It will take place on Friday 14th, Saturday
15th and Sunday 16th September

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Not your Grandfathers moon landing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f_B6wnkD0jw/not_your_grandfathers_moon_landing.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Google Lunar X-Prize team Part-Time Scientists delivered a presentation
Not your Grandfathers moon landing at the Chaos Communication Congress

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Amateur Radio OSSI CubeSat on BBC TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/glfg6Sj2ZD0/amateur_radio_ossi_cubesat_on_bbc_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

BBC TV reports that a South Korean artist has created a homemade satellite
which he plans to launch into space in December on a Russian rocket

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Anrdoid phones hijacked via 13.560 MHz radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4CqccI9RUM8/anrdoid_phones_hijacked.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A skilled hacker has shown how to hijack a smartphone via a short-range
radio technology known as Near Field Communication (NFC)

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Amateur Radio CubeSat FITSAT-1 on NHK TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RyOkHGbuKiY/amateur_radio_cubesat_fitsa

t1_on_nhk_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An English language NHK TV news story covers the amateur radio CubeSat
FITSAT-1 which launched to the International Space Station (ISS) on July 21

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Kg817SuspGI/dxcc_report_2807.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Saturday,
21st-July, through Friday, 27th-July there were 212 countries active

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Heliography Experiment video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vCKdnZ_UOIE/heliography_experiment_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ian Hopkins G4WUH has released a video showing reception of a Heliograph
signal from Richard Gosnell G4MUF in the Malvern Hills

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Ham radio: It's not just for old guys anymore

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Tub6wPtbNvs/ham_radio_not_just_for_old_guys_anymore.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows 9 year old Yoshiki, KH0UA, operating in the 2009 All Asian
DX Phone Contest from Saipan in the Northern Mariana Island

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dRP_E14NiiY/july_28.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Amateur Radio 472 kHz Transverter video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9qwmZn9sfTM/amateur_radio_472_khz_transverter_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Roger Lapthorn G3XBM has released a video of his 472/500kHz transverter for
use with the FT817

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4CXnw_60W7c/030_july_28.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We currently see new sunspot groups coming over our Sun's eastern horizon, but this week has been a quiet one, both in terms of sunspot and geomagnetic activity

1360. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 28 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-28 16:13:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340cb9e68fe804c5e61a21@google.com>
Source record: 2427
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Nation 57, Tom HQA Radio

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 09:52 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355633-Ham-Nation-57-Tom-HQA-Radio&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 57, Tom HQA Radio is available for download at
http://twit.tv/hn. In this episode we show you Maker Faire, Bob discusses
the importance of the RF Gain control, Gordo talks about Traps, George
shows us the Ground System for his new shack and much more.

Join us live each Wednesday on http://live.twit.tv at 8:00 Central

or view and download the episodes at http://twit.tv/hn .

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Tiny satellites to write Morse code, visible in the night sky

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 08:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355628-Tiny-satellites-to-write-Morse-code-visible-in
-the-night-sky&goto=newpost

http://dvice.com/archives/2012/07/tiny-satellites.php

I just saw this at dvice.com and thought I would share.

"An unmanned Japanese cargo vessel headed for the International Space
Station (ISS) this week is carrying some unusual cargo. In addition to
regular supplies, the vehicle contains some tiny, cube-shaped satellites
that, when deployed, will write Morse codemessages visible in the night sky.

One of the mini satellites, known as cubesats, has the job of helping
researchers test optical communication techniques in satellites. The
cubesat will use LEDs to first twinkle like an artificial star and
eventually blink in Morse Code.

The cubesat is known as FITSAT-1 and was developed by Japan's Fukuoka
Institute of Technology (FIT). It weighs just under three pounds and
carries high output, 200 watt LEDs that will turn the cube into a flashing
Morse code beacon.

Project leader Takushi Tanaka, an FIT professor of computer science and
engineering discusses one of the most exciting elements of the project on
the FITSAT-1 website:

"These [Morse code flashes], we hope, will be observable by the unaided eye or with small binoculars," Tanaka says.

It is expected the FITSAT-1 will be deployed from the ISS on September 6, by Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, using the Kibo module's robotic arm. Once in orbit the FITSAT-1 will travel between 51.6 degrees south latitude and 51.6 degrees north latitude, according to researchers.

The orbit and orientation is important to the success of the project. The tiny satellite contains a neodymium magnet that will always point it to magnetic north. This way, when the satellite rises above the horizon it will be to the south of the FIT ground station.

The flashing lights and Morse code signals from the FITSAT-1 will be received by the FIT ground station telescope and photo-multiplier device linked to an antenna. The ground gear and the satellite's LEDs will be aligned so the ground will receive the main beams.

The FITSAT-1 project will conduct high-speed and optical communication experiments for three minutes as the satellite moves through orbit, to prove the viability of optical communication with satellites.

Tanaka's website has additional detailed information on the construction of the FITSAT-1, communication frequencies and what it will be transmitting during the testing.

Seeing the little satellite in action firsthand might be challenging, but even if we only get to see the sky's newest inhabitant work via video from Tanaka's lab, it's cool to know we can wish upon a whole new star!"

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1824 July 27 2012

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 10:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355591-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1824--July-27-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1824 ☐ July 27 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1824 with a release date of July 27 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The International Amateur Radio Union to vote on admitting two new members; Solar Cycle 24 heats up with a massive East coast VHF band opening; the London 2012 Olympics ham radio stations take to the air and four new ham radio CubeSats go skyward. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1824 coming your way right now.

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HAM POLITICS: IARU VOTING ON TWO PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

The International Amateur Radio Union could have two new members before years end. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here

with the details:

1361. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 28 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-28 16:37:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934070f21f7d704c5e670d0@google.com>
Source record: 2428
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Coumbe Island (WI049), Wisconsin River

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 03:23 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355664-Coumbe-Island-(WI049)-Wisconsin-River&goto=newpost

The Pine Valley Repeater Amateur Radio Club of Richland Center, WI in conjunction with the Viroqua (WI) ARC will activate Coumbe Island (WI049) in the Wisconsin River (Crawford County) on Saturday, October 20, 2012, begining at 1500 UTC until requirements have been met. We will operate SSB, CW, and PSK 31 on 20m, 40m, and 80m. Listen for us and we will be happy to QSL all contacts.

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22 & 23 September 2012, W7K Apple Days Special Event Station

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 03:15 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355662-22-amp-23-September-2012-W7K-Apple-Days-Special-Event-Station&goto=newpost

22 & 23 September 2012, 17:00z to 02:30z, W7K

Come join us: 14.260+- or 7.260+- MHz.

Each Year the City of River Heights has a city celebration called Apple Days, located in the city's park. Our city has a population 1650 and encompasses 1.25 spare miles.

The amateur radio operators that are in charge of Ecom for the city are having a booth at Apple Days to promote promote amateur radio and emergency communications. In order to demonstrate amateur radio they will we be having a special event amateur station, W7K, located in the booth at the Apple Days Celebration.

If you make radio contact with us, W7K, there is an Apple Days Special Event QSL card available. Just send your QSL card and a SASE (self addressed stamped envelope) to:

Quentin Gardner, Jr. WQ7G

709 East 350 South

River Heights, Utah 84321

For more information look us up at: www.appledays.org or QRZ.com

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HI3/AL7JR -- bootlegger

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355653-HI3-AL7JR-bootlegger&goto=newpost

I have been receiving QSL cards for contacts with HI3/AL7JR. Please note
that is not me. Someone is using my call sign.

Ron-AL7JR

1362. SARL News in English 28/7/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-28 17:34:56 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <D60A55049CA644AD9D67ED19CDD4B73B@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2429
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 29 JULY 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on "Amateur Radio Today" and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria with relays on 7 066 and 3 695 kHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SOLAR MAXIMUM PREDICTED NEXT YEAR NASA ASTRONAUT SPINS DISCS FROM SPACE THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AMENDMENT BILL - HOW WILL IT AFFECT AMATEUR RADIO? BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN GAUTENG ON 18 AUGUST

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

SOLAR MAXIMUM PREDICTED NEXT YEAR

Forecasters say Solar Max is due in the year 2013. When it arrives, the peak of 11-year sunspot cycle will bring more solar flares, more coronal mass ejections, more geomagnetic storms and more auroras than experienced in quite some time. On the weekend of 14 July 2012, sky watchers around the world got a taste of things to come.

It was early Saturday evening in South Africa when a coronal mass ejection or "CME" crashed into Earth's magnetic field and triggered the most sustained display of auroras in years. For more than 36 hours, magnetic storms circled Earth's poles. Northern Lights spilled across the Canadian border into the United States as far south as California, Colorado, Kansas, and Arkansas. In the southern hemisphere, skies turned red over Tasmania and New Zealand, while the aurora australis pirouetted around the South Pole.

The source of the CME was giant sunspot AR1520, a seething nest of tangled magnetism more than 15 times wider than Earth itself. On July 12th, the sunspot's magnetic field erupted, producing an X-class solar flare and hurling a billion tons of electrified plasma toward our

planet.

Learn more about what happens on the sun and how it affects HF propagation. Attend the RTA on 18 August at the NARC.

NASA ASTRONAUT SPINS DISCS FROM SPACE

NASA astronaut Joe Acaba will host a two-hour special radio broadcast on the Internet radio station Third Rock Radio while aboard the International Space Station, 306 kilometres above Earth. "The Joe Show: New Rock from Space" will debut at 22:00 CAT on Friday 3 August.

Acaba, a fan of classic rock, will discuss his experiences aboard the orbiting laboratory while presenting new rock to listeners around the world. The Joe Show is a blend of science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM) and art. It highlights the latest technology, all within the context of "exploring new worlds of music."

"I'm excited to be the first astronaut to DJ from space on Third Rock Radio," Acaba said. "From the recordings launched aboard the Voyager spacecraft to the wakeup songs on shuttle missions, NASA and music have a long history together. As a former educator, I also appreciate the strong links between music and maths, one of the core STEM components that is so critical to my work as an astronaut."

To stream Third Rock Radio over the Internet, visit: www.thirdrockradio.net.

Share this information with a young person near you. They will enjoy the fun.

THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AMENDMENT BILL - HOW WILL IT AFFECT AMATEUR RADIO?

The Department of Communications is planning to create another body next to ICASA to take over spectrum management. One of the many changes proposed in the Electronic Communications Amendment Bill, 2012 is the establishment of a Spectrum Management Agency within the portfolio of the Minister of Communications with the overall responsibility for the country's spectrum as contemplated in the White paper on Broadcasting Policy, 1998.

The explanatory document addendumed to the bill states that the Minister of Communications acts as the custodian of the spectrum on behalf of the people of South Africa. It further states that the Minister represents South Africa in the ITU. This includes inter alia the allocation of the radio frequency spectrum to various radio communication services, like amateur radio. The minister is responsible under the new act, once implemented, for all international spectrum matters pertaining to South Africa, including Regional and sub-Regional spectrum planning, all cases concerning international harmful interference and international frequency coordination.

The SARL Council is currently studying the draft bill. A copy is available on www.sarl.org.za, follow the link from the home page. The document has 65 pages and is 3 Megs in size. Radio amateurs are invited to send comment to the SARL by 15 August Please address comments to secretary@sarl.org.za. The final date for comment to DOC is 30 August 2012.

BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN GAUTENG ON 18 AUGUST

Bookings have opened for the Radio Technology in Action Symposium to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre on Saturday 18 August 2012. Full details of the symposium are available on line at www.sarl.org.za.

You can pre book and take part in an additional prize draw for the ARRL Book "Basic Antennas". If you like a programme to be sent to your inbox send an email to rta@sarl.org.za with RTA NARC in the subject line and a PDF copy will be mailed to you.

CLUB NEWS

The West Rand ARC held its AGM on the 7th July 2012 and the following members were elected to the committee:

Chairman - Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL Vice Chairman - Johan van Vuuren, ZS6JVV Secretary - Phillip van Tonder, ZS6PVT Treasurer - David Cloete, ZR6AOC

Additional members: Willem Weideman, ZS6WWJ Romeo Nardini, ZS6ARQ John Brock, ZS6WL Rory Crouch, ZS6RBJ Nick Dreyer, ZS6NCK Noel Hammond, ZR6DX Marinus Bran,d ZS6BM

The Centurion Radio Amateur Club held its annual general meeting on the 14th July. The following office bearers were elected:

Chairman : Pam Momberg, ZS6APT Vice Chairman : Gawie Basson, ZS6GJJ Secretary : Billy Strumpher, ZS6WPS Treasurer : Pam Momberg, ZS6APT

Ordinary Members: Pine Pienaar, ZS6GST Ben Booysen, ZS6BTB Rian Vente,r ZS6RXY John Longland, ZS6AA

COMPETITION NEWS

IARU HF World Championships

This competition took place on the 14th to the 15th July. The SARL decided to enter a team for this contest using the new ZS9HQ callsign.

The CW team consisted of the following operators: Vidi La Grange, ZS1EL, Raoul Coetzee, ZS1REC, Allan Smith, ZS1AAX, Joop Hesp ,ZS6C, and Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A.

The SSB team of operators consisted of Nigel Burgess, ZR6NGB, Roy McKay, ZS6RLM, Noel Hammond, ZR6DX, Rikus Joubert, ZS6RIC, and Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL. The SSB team operated from the NARC, with the exception of Nigel, who operated from his home QTH.

In total 512 contacts were made which is made up of 141 SSB contacts and 371 CW contacts. In total 116 HQ stations were worked across the various bands. The comments that were received are that although the bands did not always play fair everyone who took part enjoyed the contest.

Many thanks to all the team members for their time and effort, it is appreciated by all the SARL members.

The SARL's premier contest will be run during the month of August. The SARL HF Contest consists of three parts - the SARL HF Phone Contest on Sunday 5 August, the SARL HF Digital Contest on Sunday 19 August and the SARL HF CW Contest on Sunday 26 August.

The aim of the SARL HF Contests is for participants to contact as many amateurs in Southern Africa as possible on 20, 40 and 80 metres using phone, digital modes and CW. There are a number of trophies to be won for participation in these contests. The trophies are handed out during the SARL Awards Dinner.

The SARL HF Phone contest will be run from 13:00 to 16:30 UTC [15:00 to 18:30 CAT] on Sunday 5 August with activity on 14 125 to 14 300 kHz; 7 060 to 7 100 and 7 130 to 7 200 kHz and 3 600 to 3 650 and 3 700 to 3 800 kHz.

Participation can be as a a) Single Operator Single Band; b) Single Operator All Band; c) Multi Operator Single Band or d) Multi Operator All Band. Individual competitors and club stations are encouraged to compete. The exchange is a RS report and a consecutive serial number starting at 001.

Each phone QSO counts 1 point. Count two points for each area (see below) on each band and count 2 points for each station contacted on all three bands.

The areas are - Area 1: ZS1 Western Cape; Area 2: ZS2 Eastern Cape; Area 3: ZS3 Northern Cape; Area 4: ZS4 Free State; Area 5: ZS5 KwaZulu-Natal; Area 6: ZS6 Gauteng, Mpumalanga; Limpopo and North West; Area 7: 3B8 Mauritius, 3DA Swaziland, 7P Lesotho, 7Q Malawi, C9 Mozambique, Z2 Zimbabwe, 5R Madagascar, FR Reunion Island and FH Mayotte and Area 8: 9J Zambia, A2 Botswana, D2 Angola, V5 Namibia, ZD9 Gough and Tristan da Cunha Islands, ZS7 Antarctica and ZS8 Marion Island. Contacts with stations outside these areas are allowed, QSO points may be claimed but no zone or three-bander points may be claimed.

Certificates are awarded to the first three places and the highest single band score in each contest. There is also a trophy for the highest combined score in three contests. Logs must be sent to the Bloemfontein ARC, Box 33211, Fichardt Park, 9317 or by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za by Sunday 12 August.

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity will be at low levels. None of the Earth-facing sunspots are posing a threat for strong solar flares.

For those who want to do their own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 55.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 20 m providing the best openings with 15 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent due to the lower solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

3 August - Astronaut Joe Acaba will host "The Joe Show: New Rock from Space". 6 August - SARL HF-competition, 13:00 to 16:30 UTC. 15 August - ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AMENDMENT BILL, last date to send comments to the SARL by email to secretary@sarl.org.za. 18 August - RTA in GAUTENG, pre-book now to also enter for an additional prize draw. 19 August - SARL HF digital competition. 26 August - SARL HF CW competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dick, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Johan Steyn, ZS4SS, and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1363. eHam.net News for Saturday 28 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-28 22:38:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614aa2ec8f9104c5eb7b6b@google.com>
Source record: 2430
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Olympic Flagship 2 Oscar Stations On the Air:

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28690

Both of the Two Oscar Olympic Flagship Special Event Stations are now up and running.
You can follow the progress of Two Oscar Twelve L in London on Twitter, with tweets showing new countries worked and the number of stations in the log. Two Oscar Twelve W in Wales also has a Twitter feed. Details can be found on their websites, just search for the callsigns 2 Oscar 12L and 2 Oscar 12W.

1364. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 28 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-29 02:16:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a01ec8a5804c5ee89f8@google.com>
Source record: 2431
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio 472 kHz Transverter video - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 28 Jul 2012 01:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG1q7YAUo1HmYL86IMzhXDRPM_k7A&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/amateur_radio_472_khz_transverter_video.htm

Amateur Radio 472 kHz Transverter video
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio 472 kHz Transverter video. Roger Lapthorn G3XBM has released a video of his 472/500kHz transverter for use with the FT817. A very simple and inexpensive transverter designed for use with the FT817 operating in "split" mode (TX on 80m ...

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Lifelong passion for ham radio still burns at 92 - Columbus Dispatch

Posted: 13 Jul 2012 02:52 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFi1OruaZNztVgMtXP_2JLS0UzvPQ&url=http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2012/07/13/man-of-the-air.html

Columbus Dispatch
Lifelong passion for ham radio still burns at 92
Columbus Dispatch
Hes one of about 703000 ham-radio operators nationwide, according to the Connecticut-based National Association for Amateur Radio. “There are more operators in the country than ever before,” said association spokesman Allen Pitts. “And it is growing.” ...

1365. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 29 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-29 11:03:37 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba614dc808763c04c5f5e587@google.com>
Source record: 2432
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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NASA astronaut spins discs from space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CLPoyea0cZc/nasa_astronaut_spins_discs_from_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA astronaut Joe Acaba will host a two-hour special radio broadcast on the Internet radio station Third Rock Radio while aboard the International Space Station, 306 kilometres above Earth

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Appointment of KA3HDO as VP-Human Spaceflight Programs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QMPvZnuqPHs/appointment_of_ka3hdo_as_vp_human_spaceflight_programs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT-NA President Barry Baines is pleased to announce that effective August 1, 2012, Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, will be returning as AMSAT's Vice President for Human Spaceflight Programs

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Behind the scenes at 2o12L

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qtKqxM5-lJc/behind_the_scenes_at_2o12l.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio operators around the world know that the hottest callsign to work is Two Oscar One Two London, one of the two official national stations for the 2012 Olympics

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ILLW continues to get bigger

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i-yTnhe6uDc/illw_continues_to_get_bigger.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With 350 registrations from many countries for the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, there will be plenty of on air activity for this 48 hour fun event

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qIofGOBMk_c/propagation_forecast_30.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-30 has
been published at 2100 UTC on Friday July 27, 2012

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GX4WAB 'Follow the torch' Final Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BqKwwUI0lFU/gx4wab_follow_the_torch_fin
al_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows the Worked All Britain 'Follow the torch' station on July
27, 2012, set up by the Sutton and Cheam Radio Society

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Solar activity picks up

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qcAp4mJleZU/solar_activity_picks_up.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

New sunspot AR1532 is crackling with M-class solar flares, including a
brief but intense M6-flare on July 28th

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Disassembly complete: Heathkit is no more

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SniKXFJkVus/disassembly_complete_heathk
it_is_no_more.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The remnants of a once-proud company with a long history in the Twin Cities
are now on the auction block. Owner Don Desrochers confirmed this week that
Heathkit is dead

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HYER0i_fypQ/july_29.htm?utm_source=feed
burner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity
will be at low levels. None of the Earth-facing sunspots are posing a
threat for strong solar flares

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SARL HF Phone Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZVJ3k8VDxgk/sarl_hf_phone_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League's premier amateur radio contest will be run during the month of August

1366. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 29 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-29 16:15:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5014cc17f68bf04c5fa4199@google.com>
Source record: 2433
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Radio opportunities High Altitude Balloon Flight - August 4 Rantoul,IL

Posted: 28 Jul 2012 05:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355791-Radio-opportunities-High-Altitude-Balloon-Flight-August-4-Rantoul-IL&goto=newpost

Space Jam 6 in Rantoul, Illinois will feature new opportunities for radio signal relay and reception. These flights will be launched by the Boy Scouts under the supervision of the Balloon Assisted Stratospheric Experiements program of DePauw University.

There will be two flights launched at 7:45 CDT (12:45 UTC).

BASE 68: will carry dual radios operating with a net control operator on the call sign WB9SA. The transmit frequency will be 144.34 MHz. The receive frequency will be 446.025 MHz. The radios should reach an altitude of at least 120,000 feet. This system should be able to support long distance earth-balloon-earth contacts within a 400 mile radius circle of Rantoul around 10 am CDT. APRS data will be sent on 144.99 MHz (WB9SA-11 two times per minute at+20 and +50 secs) and 144.39 (WB9SA-12 once every other minute)

BASE 69: will carry ATV operating on 434.00 MHz with a horizontally polarized mini-wheel antenna. It will also carry a beacon operating in the 10 meter band at 28.222 MHz with CW and 110 Baud ASCII RTTY output on the minute. APRS data will be sent on 144.99 MHz (WB9SA-13 two times per minute at+10 and +40 secs) and 144.39 (WB9SA-12 once every other minute+ 30 sec) This flight should approach 100,000 feet for the maximum altitude.

Howard, KC9QBN

1367. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 29 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-29 16:25:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e84f869ae2f04c5fa6599@google.com>
Source record: 2434
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-30

Posted: 28 Jul 2012 06:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355710-NZ4O-MF-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-30&goto=newpost

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-30 has
been published at 2100 UTC on Friday July 27, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday
July 28, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday August 03, 2012. It can be found at
http://www.solarcycle24.org and http://www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm .

Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O

Lakeland, FL, USA

thomasfgiella@tampabay.rr.comNZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography:
http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast: http://www.solarcycle24.org

Harmful Man Induced (Anthropogenic) Climate Change (Global Warming)
Refuted: http://www.globalwarminglie.org

1368. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 29th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-29 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120729200003.56DBC33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2435
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 29th July 2012

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. The closing date for applications to sit this examination is Thursday, 20th September Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

North Cork Radio Club

After a fun day in the Mountains, North Cork Radio Group is now gearing up for their August events, and this month is going to be a top month for activations by NCRG. No less than 3 field days are planned, making these events no. 7, 8 and 9 for NCRG in 2012.

Wednesday 8-August: a UNIQUE activation; Spike Island on the Air - CASHOTA reference: EI019/C

Saturday 18-August: Blackrock Castle Observatory -CASHOTA reference: EI009/C

Sunday 19-August: Roches Point Lighthouse - ILLW reference: EI0010

Members of the North Cork Radio Group would like to congratulate Martin (EI8FFB) and Lorrae Evans on their marriage, 28-July. We wish them all the best for the future.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will hold a meeting on Wednesday next the 1st of August in Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road, Clonmel at 8:30pm All are welcome.

Germany 9th Amateur Radio Fair AREB

On Saturday, 13 October 2012, the 9th amateur radio and electronics fair AREB takes place in the University of Technology, Dresden, Germany. Reservations for commercial and private sellers can be submitted until 10th August 2012. Payment will be made by invoice.

This year Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.

To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB will be aired between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013. The station will be operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led by Declan EI9HQ and Pete EI4GZB. QSLs to Declan EI9HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

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Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club

Just because we are on our summer break does not mean that the Club is not active. This week-end, July 28th and 29th, listen out for the Club call-sign MN0VFW, as several keen members will be active from Coney Island, a small wooded island on Lough Neagh, the largest inland waterway in the British Isles. While Coney does not qualify for IOTA, we hope to have some fun giving away points during the Islands contest. Our website www.muarc.com lists all the usual club info plus many photos of our activities.

DX News

Bill K9HZ will be QRV from St Lucia as J68HZ from 4 - 19 August. The IOTA reference is NA-108 and he will be active on all bands 40 - 6m. QSLs go via his home call.

Stefan DL4ST is in Afghanistan until the end of September. He is active as T6SS and so far has been worked mainly on 20m.

For those that missed the recent 9M0L DXpedition to Spratly Island there is another opportunity coming up to work this quite rare DXCC entity. From 7 - 13 August John 9M6XRO and Steve 9M6DXX will be active from Spratly using the callsign 9M4SLL. They will be on 80 - 10m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL manager is M0URX.

A multi-national group will activate the Comoros Islands from 8 - 20 August. The callsign will be D64K. QSL info is via IV3DSH and full details of the expedition can be found on <www.d64k.net>

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on

085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1369. eHam.net News for Sunday 29 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-29 22:18:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341001e8c11d04c5ff51fd@google.com>
Source record: 2436
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ron Hendershot Keeps Festival On One Frequency:

Posted: 28 Jul 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28694

From his house on a ridge south of Faircrest Street SW, Ron Hendershot has his ear to the world. An antenna, towering 50 feet like a spindly aluminum pine tree, shoots his signal into the sky and channels invisible waves from around the planet to his cluster of radios. Hendershot has been a licensed amateur radio operator for more than 30 years and said he has contacted ham operators in roughly 250 countries and territories around the world. Come Hall of Fame time, Hendershot will tune his ear closer to home, as his radio room becomes home-base for the communication network that connects volunteers working the Timken Grand Parade. This is Hendershot's eighth year overseeing the dozens of ham operators strung along the parade route from downtown to 25th Street NW. The formal title is Net Control Operator. It means Hendershot coordinates communication between the parade marshals and organizers and provides a link to police and EMS services. He also keeps an eye out for storms.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

Posted: 28 Jul 2012 04:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28691

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

1370. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 29 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-30 02:26:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934109d2c32d204c602cb33@google.com>
Source record: 2437
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Culture of Ham Radio Story Tops Patch's Most Read in July - Patch.com

Posted: 29 Jul 2012 03:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEM3aPzAUXqx3JAXO0Q_QN2yHbtXA&url=http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/scoop-on-culture-of-ham-radio-tops-patch-s-most-read-stories-in-july

Culture of Ham Radio Story Tops Patchs Most Read in July
Patch.com
Some folks may remember being able to talk to astronauts in the space station from school. Others maybe knew someone with an international ham radio setup in the basement. Ham radio is alive and well, and despite cell phones and the Internet, is still ...

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Melbourne man played key role in early computer architecture - Florida Today

Posted: 28 Jul 2012 10:15 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFoZUfHuHgKpdL-7stu0TUd8-NUPQ&url=http://www.floridatoday.com/article/20120729/BUSINESS/307290009/Melbourne-man-played-key-role-early-computer-architecture

Melbourne man played key role in early computer architecture
Florida Today
“Believe it or not, Id say ham radio had more to do with shaping my personality than anything else.” After high school, Poor joined the Navy. He met his wife, Florence, in a church in San Francisco in the spring of 1952 while he was at Treasure Island ...

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Conversation with an astronaut - KenoraOnline

Posted: 29 Jul 2012 10:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHhJdiYFdtFcfQCgU6I6WPXijtRPw&url=http://www.kenoraonline.com/index.php?option%3Dcom_content%26task%3Dview%26id%3D2668%26Itemid%3D4

Conversation with an astronaut
KenoraOnline
Amateur radio enthusiasts had a chance to have a conversation with Marc Garneau, the first Canadian astronaut. Amateur Radio Society president, Tom Newell talks about Garneaus accomplishments. "Dr. Garneau is kind of Canadas pride, being our first ...

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Tri-State Amateur Radio Association to host 50th Annual Hamfest - WOWK

Posted: 25 Jul 2012 11:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNETSe9srxlXoew-h2cXsUBnK4Perw&url=http://www.wowktv.com/story/19111459/tri-state-amateur-radion-association-to-host-50th-annual-hamfest

Tri-State Amateur Radio Association to host 50th Annual Hamfest
WOWK
The Tri-State Amateur Radio Association (TARA) will host the 50th Annual Hamfest in Huntington from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 11, according to a news release from the organization. The event will be at a new location for its golden anniversary at the ...

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Photographer captures 2nd highest-altitude tornado on record in US - KOMO News (blog)

Posted: 29 Jul 2012 03:52 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG4VTbSqIBD4vT7YFkgj5U08FdFqQ&url=http://www.komonews.com/weather/blogs/scott/Photographer-captures-2nd-highest-altitude-tornado-on-record-in-US-164208736.html

KOMO News (blog)
Photographer captures 2nd highest-altitude tornado on record in US
KOMO News (blog)
Kirby was up about 1-2 miles from the summit of Colorados Mt. Evans at Lincoln Lake Saturday afternoon to test some Ham radio equipment, "and take some photos of the summit and the mountain goats," he said. But then something came along a bit more ...

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1371. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 30 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-30 11:06:21 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf30223e31c7778c04c60a0ccb@google.com>
Source record: 2438
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio CubeSats to launch from Vandenberg

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fEwx24CTohc/amateur_radio_cubesats_to_launch_from_vandenberg.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On August 2, 2012 an Atlas V rocket will launch a combination of 11
satellites from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California for the US
Government and NASA ELaNa university CubeSats

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MW0TAZ Kite Portable from Wales

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7iBKmLNxF94/mw0taz_kite_portable_from_wales.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows Dave M0TAZ operating kite portable as MW0TAZ from
Pembrokeshire in Wales

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2011 DXCC Yearbook now available online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f4xRtcgAJfw/2011_dxcc_yearbook_now_available_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2011 ARRL DXCC Yearbook is now available to all ARRL members as a
supplement to the August digital edition of QST

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The rising cost of DXpeditons

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mJzuhpFsSqg/the_rising_cost_of_dxpeditons.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

'Dee' Logan, W1HEO, is researching an article on the rising costs of
DXpeditons for the DX Magazine, and would like to hear from DXpeditioners
for their comments on how to cover the rising costs of DXpeditions

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New Russian Satellite RS-40

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jtKySlfivVo/new_russian_satellite_rs40.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

MiR also known as Yubileiny-2 and RS-40 was built by students and research staff of the Siberian State Aerospace University and launched on July 28

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New version of CWWAV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0sX8YPJqYp4/new_version_of_cwwav.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CWWAV is for those of you who want to generate their own practice files for learning CW or improving your QRQ copy

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Electronic Communications Amendment Bill - How will it affect amateur radio?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MvT_FOgA-fk/electronic_communications_amendment_bill.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

South Africa's Department of Communications is planning to create another body next to ICASA to take over spectrum management

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Russian QRP Club Rally and 10th Anniversary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pOaUgM4Q9_o/russian_qrp_club_rally_and_10th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Russian QRP Club is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year and will be using the callsign R10QRP during August

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Chad DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qQAqj3qCNWo/chad_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the 'Italian Dxpedition Team' will be active as TT8TT from N'Djamena, Chad, during October 2012

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5fJhhSxtKr0/history_30_july.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1372. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 23 - 29 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-30 15:30:13 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120730153002.1016533C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2439
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Jul 30 1421 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
23 - 29 July 2012

Solar activity was at very low to high levels through the period.
The summary period began at very low to low levels from 23 - 26
July, with multiple low level C-class events observed. An increase
to moderate levels was observed on 27 July, as Region 1532 (S22, L=
183, class/area Fho/510 on 28 July) produced an M2/Sf x-ray event at
1726 UTC. Associated with this event were distinct radio frequency
bursts as well as a Type II (estimated shock speed of 2099 km/s) and
Type IV Radio sweeps, as well as a coronal mass ejection (CME).
After careful analysis, the associated CME was determined to not be
Earth directed. On 28 July, and increase to high levels was observed
as Region 1532 produced an M6/2n x-ray flare at 28/2056 UTC.
Associated with this event were both Type II (estimated shock speed
of 1387 km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps, discrete radio frequency
spikes, and a 370 sfu Tenflare. Imagery supported a CME liftoff with
this event, however due to the location of Region 1532, very little
effects are expected at Earth. On the last day of the forecast
period, 29 July, a return to moderate levels was observed, as Region
1532 produced an M2/1n x-ray event at 29/0622 UTC.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit began at
23/1545 UTC, reached a maximum flux of 12 pfu at 23/2145 UTC, and
ended at 24/1800 UTC. This event was due to flare activity from old
Region 1520 (S16, L=086) which was almost 40 degrees beyond the west
limb.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels from 23 - 28 July. A decrease to moderate levels was
observed on 29 July.

Geomagnetic field activity was at mostly quiet to unsettled levels
throughout the summary period with isolated periods of minor storm
levels observed at high latitudes on 23, 24, and 28 July. Activity
on 23 July was at quiet to unsettled levels with solar wind speeds,
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as measured by the ACE spacecraft, hovering around 450 km/s. On 24 July, solar wind speeds increased to almost 600 km/s, as a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS), became geoeffective. With these elevated solar winds, quiet to unsettled levels were observed with an isolated period at minor storm levels observed at high latitudes. As effects of the CH HSS waned, solar wind speeds declined and remained between 380 and 500 km/s for the remainder of the period. With solar wind speeds around nominal levels, mostly quiet to unsettled levels also prevailed through 29 July.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 July - 25 August 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels from 30 July - 15 August as Region 1532 and old Region 1520 (S16, L=086) rotate across the visible disk. A decrease to mostly low levels is expected from 16 - 23 August. As Region 1532 rotates back onto the visible disk on 23 August, an increase to low to moderate levels is expected for the remainder of the forecast period.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit is possible from 30 July - 18 August as Region 1532 and old Region 1520 traverse the visible disk.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels throughout the period since most of the coronal hole structures have dissipated.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominantly quiet levels from 30 July - 19 August and 22 - 23 August. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected from 20 - 21 August and 24 - 25 August as weak CH HSS become geoeffective.

1373. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 30 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-30 16:26:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e5f0f592ed704c60e6f2f@google.com>
Source record: 2440
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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100 years of Russian Air Force - R100WWS

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 08:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355960-100-years-of-Russian-Air-Force-R100WWS&goto=newpost

Between August, 10 and 18 on all bands and all modes will be work R100WWS.
It's Special event call Anniversary 100 years to Military Air Forces of
Russia (12 Aug 1912 have been formed). Operators members of AFARU will be
work from any areas of Russia. QSL via RV3YR (AFARU #118).

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VU7M Minicoy Island IOTA AS-106

Posted: 29 Jul 2012 01:08 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355879-VU7M-Minicoy-Island-IOTA-AS-106&goto=newpost

Members of Bangalore Amateur Radio Club VU2ARC VU2UR , VU2LX , VU2GSM ,
VU2GGM , VU2LU , VU2JHM will be active from Minicoy Island (IOTA AS-106)
13-22 August 2012 as VU7M

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...inicoy-island/

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1374. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 30 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-30 16:27:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341277c9b1a904c60e6f47@google.com>
Source record: 2441
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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DxSpot 1.0.1 now available in the iTunes App Store

Posted: 28 Jul 2012 11:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355742-DxSpot-1-0-1-now-available-in-the-iTunes-App-Store&goto=newpost

Press Release

July 19, 2012

Contact: Bob Chandler, WB2ETR

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Green Creek Technology, LLC announced today the release of DxSpot version 1.0.1 for iPhone, iPad and iPod touch.

DxSpot is your mobile access into the Amateur Radio DX cluster network. With DxSpot you can connect to the DX cluster of your choice. The internal database supplies the connection parameters to over 300 DX clusters. Once connected enjoy formatted table views of DX spots, DXCC information, connected users, cluster announcements, colorized WWV propagation data, and keep current with the latest DX news.

Please note: This application is for licensed Amateur Radio operators. A valid amateur radio call sign is required. Please refer to http://www.GreenCreekTechnology.com/apps/DxSpot for more information.

Features include:

The DxSpot database contains the connection parameters for over 300 Internet DX ClustersConnection parameters can be customized to access new or private clustersAutomatic cluster logon including optional password entryTelnet access to the cluster consoleAbility to enter cluster commandsMonitors DX spots in real time creating formatted table displaysDisplay colorized WWV propagation dataDisplay users currently connected to the clusterDisplay cluster announcementsAutomatic QRZ.COM WEB page search by DX, spotter or User call signsDXCC entity display containing: DXCC country name, flag, DXCC prefix, entity number, continent, CQ / ITU zones, latitude/longitude and GMT time offsetDXCC entity displayable on the world mapDisplay DX news from the Ohio/Penn DX (OPDX) bulletin

Device Requirements:

iPhone, iPad and iPod TouchRequires IOS 3.2 or later1.2 MB

Pricing and Availability:

DxSpot is available worldwide exclusively through the iTunes App Store and priced at $3.99 (USD).

For more information, visit us online:

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iTunes Download: http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/dxspo...6666?ls=1&mt=8

email: info@GreenCreekTechnology.com

1375. eHam.net News for Monday 30 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-30 22:16:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9bd9430cef04c6136867@google.com>
Source record: 2442
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Conversation with an Astronaut:

Posted: 29 Jul 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28695

Amateur radio enthusiasts had a chance to have a conversation with Marc Garneau, the first Canadian astronaut. Amateur Radio Society president, Tom Newell talks about Garneau's accomplishments. "Dr. Garneau is kind of Canada's pride, being our first astronaut. He's also set kind of a road map with the Canadian Space Agency for future space development and flight for Canada. He's a pretty key person," he said. Garneau was selected out of about 4,300 people, has flown on three separate missions and served as president of the Canadian Space Agency from 2001 to 2006. Garneau appeared through video feed to the theatre room at the Lake of the Woods Discovery Centre.

1376. [DXNL] DXNL 1791 (Aug 1, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 01:07:23 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <122107471250.20120731023954@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2443
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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1S, SPRATLY ISLANDS, AS-051
John,9M6XRO, and Steve,9M6DXX, will be active with two stations and verticals from Pulau Layang Layang (Spratly Islands, AS-051) signing 9M4SLL in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80-10m from Aug 7-13. Note: 9M4 is issued to special event stations that may be anywhere on Malaysian territory. QSL via M0URX (OQRS), LoTW. See: http://m0urx.com/9m4sll

DL, GERMANY
The special event station DR50DTANGO (special DOK 50DT) celebrates the 50th anniversary of the district Swabia (T) until the end of the year.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The South Essex Amateur Radio Society will be operating the special event station GB1HF close to the 5 km Olympic mountain biking course at Hadleigh Farm in South Essex, England (WLOTA 1841) until Aug 23. QSL via G4RSE. See also: http://www.southessex-ars.co.uk
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The Wimbledon & District ARS uses the special call GX3WIM during their summer camp until August 5. QSL via G4WYJ.

The Pontefract & District Amateur Radio Society (FISTS #14041) will be QRV as GB0YD from Yorkshire on Yorkshire Day (Aug 1). QSL via G0BPK.

The special event station GB2012RA has been issued to the Vintage Operating Group in Woolwich (WLOTA 1841, Loc IO91vl) for the period of the Olympic Shooting (July 28-Aug 5). QSL via bureau.

The special event station GB2012OSP (OSP stands for Olympic Sailing Portland) has free public access and a good view of the olympic sailing events from Portland Heights till Sep 9. QSL unfortunately only direct.

JW, BEAR ISLAND, EU-027
Erik,LA2US, is active as JW2US from Bear Island (EU-027) until Nov.
He operates mainly SSB with some CW on 40m-10m.
Only eQSL? This would be very disappointing for many DXers.

SP, POLAND
The special event station SN7PW remembers the uprising in Warsaw every
year from Aug 1 until Oct 2. QSL via SQ7GDS.

The scout station 3Z70ZK will be QRV from Aug 1 until Oct 28.
QSL via SP5ZRW.

TI, COSTA RICA
Bob,N6OPR, and Terry,N0TW, announced to be active as TI5/K6MQ on HF
from Tarimba from Aug 1-8. They want to take part in the Ten-Ten
Summer Phone QSO Party (Aug 4/5) also. QSL via N0TW.

UA1, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
The special event station R1812SM will be QRV from various battlefields
in the Smolensk region celebrating the 200th anniversary of the French
invasion in August. QSL via RV3LZ.

The special callsign R10RLHA will be used to celebrate the 10th jubilee
of the Russian LightHouses Award program. Expect activity from several
lighthouses in SSB and CW on 40m-10m during August. QSL via RA1QY.

VE, CANADA
The special event station XL31812 commemorates the Bicentennial of the
War of 1812 from Aug 3-5. The station will be QRV from Fort Amherstburg
(built in 1796, now Fort Malden) located in Amherstburg/Ontario.
QSL via VA3CSS.

The 34th annual Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival will be held in
Port Colborne located on the historic Welland Canal from Aug 3-6.
The festival features tall ships, boat cruises, marine museum displays,
a car show and several other attractions. The Niagara Peninsula Amateur
Radio Club (NPARC) is taking part in the festival by operating the
special event station VE3WCD (Welland Canal Days) on 7250, 14250,
21250 and 28250 kHz from Aug 4-5. QSL via bureau.
See also: http://www.nparc.on.ca/content/home

YO, ROMANIA
The special event station YQ0BIKE is working in CW, SSB and digital
until Aug 12 on the occasion of the "Cycling tour of Szeklerland".

ZA, ALBANIA
Tevfik,TA1HZ, hopes to become active as ZA1TC from Durres from Aug 1-7.
He plans to take part in the European HF Championship.QSL via homecall.

RTTY OPs wanted: The Rhein Ruhr DX Association (RRDXA) looks for more op's
for CR3L in the upcoming CQWW RTTY Contest on the last weekend of
September. Please contact Hans,DL1YFF, at dl1yff@gmx.de
See also: http://www.CR3L.de

CW OPs wanted: Gabriele,I2VGW, is looking for some CW operators for his
V84SMD DXpedition to Brunei (Nov 11-23).
Please contact him via e-mail to gabrielei2vgw@gmail.com

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Aug 4 European HF Championship
Aug 4/5 DARC UKW Summer Fieldday
Aug 4/5 North American QSO Party

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
EU-001, SV5, Dodecanese: Roberto,SV5/I2RNJ, and Piero,SV5/IK2IHY, will be
QRV working holiday style from Rhodos (Loc KM46ci, GIOTA DKS-006,
MIA MGD-028, WLOTA 0045) from Aug 4-11. They plan to work mainly in SSB
with their IC-706 (100w) and multiband dipole. QSLs via homecalls.
See also: http://i2rnj.jimdo.com/english/activity/rhodes-greece

EU-014, TK, Corsica Island: Corsica is the third stop on the round trip of
Jack,IZ3DBA. Listen for TK/IZ3DBA in CW and SSB on HF from Aug 7-13.
QSL via IZ3DBA.

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Malta (Bugibba, MIA MM-001, WLOTA 111, Loc JM75FW)
will be the holiday destination of Mario,IK0PEA, from Aug 5-17. He will
work as 9H3EA in SSB and digital modes on the HF bands and 6m.
QSL via IK0PEA.

EU-051, I*9, Ustica Island: Stefano,IV3LZQ, is going to spend his holidays
on Ustica Island (IIA PA-001, MIA MI-116, WLOTA 0848) from Aug 1-11.
He plans to work as IE9/IV3LZQ in CW on 80m-10m.
QSL only direct via homecall.

EU-057, DL, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern State group: Andreas,DL6AP/p, will be
QRV from Ruegen island on Aug 2/3. QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.cqgma.eu

EU-096, OH1 Turku-Pori District Group: Jukka,OH3OJ/p, is working in CW/SSB/
PSK/RTTY on 80m-6m from Kaurissalo Island from Aug 1-6. QSL via bureau.

NA-108, J6, St. Lucia: Bill,K9HZ, will once again be active as J68HZ from
Labrelotte Bay/Castries on St. Lucia (WLOTA 1336, Loc FK94MB) from
Aug 4-19. He will hand out IOTA points in CW, SSB and RTTY on 40m-6m.
His equipment will be an Elecraft K3 and a 3 ele beam and wires.
QSL only direct via K9HZ.

NA-111, W2, New Jersey State group: Members of the Old Barney ARC will be
QRV as N2OB Barnegat lighthouse (Admiralty J1220, ARLHS USA-039, Loc

FM29WS) on Long Beach Island (USi NJ001S) on Aug 4 (maybe also Aug 5).
Emphasis will be put on 40m and 20m SSB. QSL via N2OB.
See also: http://www.obarc.org

NA-148, W1, Massachusetts State North (Barnstable to Essex County) group:
Members of the Cape Ann ARA will be active as W1T from Thacher Island
(USi MA001S, WLOTA 0924) from Aug 3-6. They will also activate both
lighthouses on the island: Cape Ann [Thacher Island South, ARLHS
USA-105, TWLHD WLH K-031, Admiralty J0276) and Thacher Island North
(ARLHS USA-1027, TWLHD WLH K-167, Admiralty J0277).
QSL only direct via W1GLO. Logs will be uploaded to the LoTW.
See also: http://caara.net/main

SA-012, YV7, Nueva Esparta State group & SA-035, YV5, Los Roques Island:
Alex,UA9YAB, and Alex,UA9YPS, will be active from two Venezuelan island
groups from Aug 2-9. They will sign YV7/homecall from Isla Margarita
(SA-012, DIV-062, WLOTA 1085) and YV5/homecall from Los Roques (SA-035,
DIV-037, WLOTA 1085). QSLs for all calls via homecalls.

non IOTA: William,WA2CG, will be QRV in SSB on 20m (14270 kHz) from
Sandy Hook lighthouse (ARLHS USA-731) from August 1-8. QSL via WA2CG.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-09Sep 2O12L 1790
21Jul-09Sep 2O12W 1789
-31Jul 3G90AA 1787
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791 *
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-12Aug 8J9HC 1788
07Aug-13Aug 9M4SLL 1791 *
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
05Aug-17Aug 9H3EA 1791 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-2013 C91IW 1787

unknown CG3B 1786
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
unknown CR6BWU 1784
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-01Aug CY9M 1790
-Mai/13? D2SG 1748/1780
unknown D3AA 1781
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
13Jul- DF7KF/VP9 1788
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
02Aug/03Aug DL6AO/p 1791 *
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791 *
-10Aug DU8/DF8DX 1790

02Jul-25Aug E51AND 1786
unknown E51MGA 1786
-31Dec E720RS 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
-02Aug FK/JJ2NYT 1790
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
01Aug GB0YD 1791 *
-23Aug GB1HF 1791 *
-09Sep GB2012MV 1790
-09Sep GB2012OSP 1791 *
-05Aug GB2012RA 1791 *
-10Sep GB4GBO 1790
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
-05Aug GX3WIM 1791 *
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787

-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
01Aug-11Aug IE9/IV3LZQ 1791 *
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
04Aug-19Aug J68HZ 1791 *
unknown JT5NM 1781
-Nov JW2US 1791 *
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773

-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
-03Aug MM3KBU/p 1790
04Aug/05Aug N2OB 1791 *
-15Aug NR4CB 1780
Mai -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
unknown OD5NJ 1784
Jul +Sep OE2XXM.. 1786
-Apr/17 OG3077F 1789
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
01Aug-06Aug OH3OJ/p 1791 *
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
31Dec ON85RCL 1791 *
-04Aug OK2AN/p 1790
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
unknown OX3LX 1790

01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
-15Aug PA6FUN 1790
-01Aug PA7DN/p 1790
-01Aug PJ2/DH2AK.. 1790
Aug R10RLHA 1791 *
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784
Aug R1812SM 1791 *
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
15Jul-28Aug RI0K 1788
-Jan/13 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
-01Aug RW0BG/p 1790
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
01Jul-31Aug SN0HAL 1786
01Aug-02Oct SN7PW 1791 *
04Aug-11Aug SV5/IK2IHY.. 1791 *
sporadically T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
-30Sep T6SS 1790
-Sep T6TJ.. 1789
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786
01Aug-08Aug TI5/K6MQ 1791 *
07Aug-13Aug TK/IZ3DBA 1791 *
unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
22Jul-4Aug TO2D 1789

-6Aug TT8PK 1785
unknown TX0HF 1789
26Jun-12Aug TY2BP 1786

-31Aug UE80C 1784
12Jul-02Aug V47JA.. 1788
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
-04Aug VE3CBK/p 1790
04Aug-05Aug VE3WCD 1791 *
02Jun-06Aug VP2MDD 1782/1786
03Aug-06Aug W1T 1791 *
-03Aug W3WFF/8 1790
01Aug-08Aug WA2CG 1791 *
-Mai/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
03Aug-05Aug XL31812 1791 *
-12Aug YQ0BIKE 1791 *
02Aug-09Aug YV5/UA9YAB.. 1791
01Aug-07Aug ZA1TC 1791 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

2O12L via G4WNF
2O12W via GW1FKY
3B9SP via HB9ACA (B)
3W2TXR via JA2TXR (B)
3Z0RKG via SP6FRF (B)
3Z15POWODZ via SQ6PLH (B)
3Z5W via SP5KP
3Z70ZK via SP5ZRW
4O/UA3RF via UA3RF
4O60GBP via 4O3Z
5Z4/JH0CJH via JH0CJH (B), (L)
9A/DL3NCI via DL3NCI (B)
9A/HA6NL via HA6NL (B)
9A/HA6PJ via HA6PJ
9A/HA6PS via HA6PS (B)
9A/HA7JJS via HA7JJS (B)
9A/HA7PL via HA7PL (B)
9A/HA9MDN via HA9MDN (B), eQSL
9A/OM2FY via OM2FY (B)
9A/OM5AW via OM2FY (B)
9A/OM5MC via OM2FY (B)
9A/OM8AA via OM8AA
9A0D sends automatically, DK8ZZ (d)
9A4KJ/p via 9A4KJ (B)
9A8ZRS via S57L (B)
9H1AB via 9H1MRL (B)

9H3BD via EA2BD (B)
9H3EA via IK0PEA (B)
9M2CQC/p via 9M2CQC (B)
9M2FB (d)
9M4SLL via M0URX (B), (L)
A25CF via K5LBU (L)
A25JK via WB6OJB (d)
A6/JH0CJH via JH0CJH (B), (L)
AM5CS via EB5CS (B)
AM5DZC via EB5DZC (d), eQSL
AN2AHS via EC2AHS
AO3CEC via EA3CEC (B)
AO5HJV via EA5HJV
AO5GPC via EA5GPC
AO5LD via EA5LD
AO7ZM via EA7ZM (B)
AO8ATE via EA8ATE (B), eQSL
BO0M (d)
BW/DF8DX via DF8DX (B), (L)
BY2HIT/2 via BY2HIT (d)
BY4DX/5 via BD4HF (B)
CQ73I via CT1EHX (B)
CR5B via CT1BOL (B), (L)
CR6K via CT1ILT (d)
CR6W via CS5DX (B)
CY9M via M0URX (B), (L)
D2QR via RW6HS (d)
D3AA via UA1QV (B)
DA0T via DL7AT (GlobalQSL)
DC1HPS/p via DC1HPS (B)
DG5LAC/p via DG5LAC (B)
DL0KWH/p via DL0KWH (B)
DL6AO/p via DL6AO (B)
DM3X/p via DM3X (B)
DM50IOTA (B)
DO6UL/p via DO6UL (B)
DR50DTANGO (B)
DS0DX/2 via HL1IWD (B)
DU8/DF8DX via DF8DX (B), (L)
E51AND via AB7FS (B)
EA6/IW2NEF via IW2NEF (B)
EA6/IZ2LSC via IZ2LSC (B), (L)
EA9/EC7DZZ via EC7DZZ (B)
ED5K via EA5RKB (B)
ED5RKB via EA5RKB (B)
ED8ZAA via EA8RCK (d), eQSL
EE2SS via EA2SS (B), eQSL
EF8U via EA8URL (B)
EG5MDC via EA5DD (B)
EH1FGS via EA1DST (B)

EH2DLG via EB2FAC, eQSL
EI25DB via EI9HQ (B)
EI5KF/p via EI5KF
EJ0PL via EI5JQ (B)
EJ3Z via EI6GUB (B)
EL2BG via KI6YIP, eQSL
EM0MFF via UX7MA (B)
EM7UT via UR7UT (B)
EO73U via UT7UU (B), (L), eQSL
ES0U via ES2DJ (B)
EW/UT2GWW via US8ZAL
ES5GP/8 via ES5GP (B)
EY8JA via JE1CAQ (B)
F/OE5JKL via OK5JKL
F/OO5C/p via ON5HC (B)
F/OT9Z via OT9Z (B)
F5RAB/p via F5RAB (B)
FK/JJ2NYT via JJ2NYT (B)
FR/TU5KG via F4DXW (B)
G0VJG/p via G4DFI (B)
GB0YD via G0BPK (B)
GB1HF via G4RSE (B), eQSL
GB1SLB (B)
GB2012OSP (d)
GB2012MS (B)
GB2012MV (B)
GB2012MW (B)
GB2012RA (B)
GB2VET via G0SWO
GB4GBO via G1LAT (B)
GI/EI7GEB/p via EI7GEB (B), (L), eQSL
GJ2A via K2WR (NA, d), GJ3DVC (d)
GM0B via MM0BHX
GM1J via MM0BQI (B), (L)
GM2T via GM4UYZ (B), (L)
GM7A via GM7AAJ (B)
GO0GMN via GM0GMN (B), (L)
GO0OOO via (B)
GO0RPM via G0RPM (B), (L)
GO3RFX via G3RFX (B)
GO3SVK via G3SVK (L), eQSL
GO3UOF via GW3UOF (B), (L), eQSL
GO4RCG via M0OXO (B/OQRS), (L)
GO4ZOY via G4ZOY eQSL
GO6BDV via G6BDV
GO6NHU via G6NHU (B), (L), eQSL
GU7O via GW3SQX (B)
GX3WIM via G4WYJ
H44DX via VK4FEAT (d)
IA5/IQ3MO via IV3ODE (B)

IA5Z via IV3ODE (B)
IB0F listen for QSO route announced by OP
ID8/IQ8CS via IQ8CS (B)
IE9/IV3LZQ via IV3LZQ (d)
IF9/IT9BXR via IT9BXR (B)
IF9ZWA/p via IF9ZWA (B)
IH9YMC eQSL
IJ7A via IK7XIV (B)
IJ7T via IK7WDS (B), (L)
IL3/IV3CTS via IV3CTS (B)
IM0/IZ3DBA via IZ3DBA (B)
IP1T via IZ5JLF (B)
IQ7HK via IK7FPX (B)
IS0/OM3BH via OM3BH (B)
J49A via SV9GPV
J68HZ via K9HZ (d)
JA8COE/8 via JA8COE (B)
JI3DST/JI1 QRZ.com
JW2US eQSL
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d)
K0KOC/p via K0KOC (B)
K4C via WP4NPC
K5KUA/5 via K5KUA (B), (L)
KH0/WE0A via WE0A (B), (L), eQSL
LA/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
LA/DL6NDW via DL6NDW (B), (L)
LN4C via LA4C (B)
LX/OP50LX via ON4CHN (B)
LZ0I via LZ1BJ (B9
MJ/OT9Z via ON8ZZ (B)
MJ0CFW via M0CFW
MM0BQI/p via MM0BQI (B), (L)
MM3KBU/p via M3KBU (d)
MM6GCS/p via M6GCS (d)
MO0CEF via DL2LFH (B)
MU0HTJ via 2E0SQL (B)
MU0NMS/p via LX1NO (d)
MW0REN via DJ6OI (B)
MW0ZZK via EB7DX (d)
N1EDU/p via K1HRO
NE1RD/1 via NE1RD
N2OB (B)
N2US/3 via N2US (B), (L)
N8M via N8OZV
NL8F via K8NA
NY6DX/1 via NY6DX, (L), eQSL
OG5A via OH5AD (B)
OH0/YL2GN via YL2GN (B)
OH10TA via OH1MN (B)
OH2CI/p via OH2CI

OH3OJ/p via OH3OJ (B)
OH3T/p via OH3T, (L)
OJ0R via G3TXF (B)
OK2AN/p via OK2AN
OM100IG via OM3BY (B)
ON12TRUDO via ON4TRC (B)
ON85RCL via ON3AR
OP7V via ON7VA (B)
OX3LX via OZ1PIF (B)
OZ/DF9TM via DF9TM (B)
OZ/DL2SWW via DL2SWW (B)
OZ/PA1TT via PA1TT (B)
OZ3SDL via EI3IO (B)
OZ8MW/p via OZ8MW (B)
P29ZL via W1YRC
P3F via 5B4AHJ (B/OQRS), (L)
PA/F6BFH/p via F6BFH (B)
PA6FUN via PE1GUR (B)
PA6NH via PH9HB (B)
PA7DN/p via PA7DN (B)
PF4C via ON4ON (B)
PJ2/DH2AK via DH2AK (B)
PJ2/DL1THM via DL1THM (B)
PX7C via PY7CRA
R100PZ via RK3DYB
R10RLHA via RA1QY (B)
R1812SM via RV3LZ (B)
R8MC/9 via R8MC (B)
RI0K via RW3RN (B)
RI0K/p via UA9OBA (B)
RK3SWB/1 via RK3SWB (B)
RN1N/p via RN1N (B)
RW0BG/p via RW0BGl, (L)
SA1A via SM1TDE (B)
SA6G/7 via SM6CUK (B)
SB3X via SM0SHG (B, (L)
SK0HS/0 via SK0HS (B), (L)
SM1/DL2GW via DL2GW (B)
SM5/DL3KUD via DL3KUD (B)
SN0RKG via SP6OPZ
SN0RX via SP8RX (B)
SN50S (B)
SN7PW via SQ7GDS
SV2/OE5RTP via OE5RTP (B)
SV5/I2RNJ via I2RNJ (B)
SV5/IK2IHY via IK2IHY (B)
SV5/OK5MM via OK2JS (B)
SV8/SV1MNF via SV1MNF (B)
SV9/LZ3FN via LZ1PM (B)
SV9DJO via SV9GPV, (L)

SW8LR via HA0NAR (B)
SZ6P via SV1BJW (B)
T6ss via DL4ST (B)
T88YT via K4YT (B)
TA3J/0 via TA3J (B)
TC0KLH via TA1HZ (B)
TC0P via TA3X (d)
TI5/K6MQ via N0TW (B)
TK/DL1RTL via DL1RTL (B)
TK/DL2RMC via DL2RMC (B)
TK/IZ3DBA via IZ3DBA (B)
TK/OT2A via ON4HIL (B)
TM12VTR listen for QSO route announced by OP
TM2BZH via F6CNM (B)
TP8CE via F5LGF (B)
TX0HF via F4EJH (d)
TY2BP via IK2IQD (d)
TM0BI via ON4ZD (B)
TM300BD via F4FXO
TO2D via HB9EOU (B)
UA1NFA/p via UA1NFA (B)
UE40MD via UA4LU (B)
UE95K via RV3YR (d)
UK8OAG via 4Z5OG (d)
UT/R6LP via R6LP
UT/RJ3FF via RJ3FF
UT/RN3AQU via RN3AQU
UT/RQ7M via RQ7M
UT/UA3A via UA3A (B)
UT/UA3EDP via UA3EDP
UT/UA3EKG via UA3EKG
UT7UT/p via UT7UT
UX0FF/p via UX0FF (B)
V31WH via W5HNS (L)
V47JA via W5JON
VC1X via VE1CDD
VE3CBK/p via VE3CBK (B)
VE3WCD (B)
V5/F5JWH via F5JWH (L), eQSL
VE7RSV/p via VE7RSV (B)
VE8EV/p via VE8EV (B), (L)
VE9GLF via VE9MY (B), (L)
VE9MY via VE9MY (B), (L)
VK4NM via M0OXO (B), (L)
VK4SWE (d), eQSL
VP2MSJ via W5JAY (B), (L)
VP2MUQ via W5JAY (B), (L)
VR2/JH0CJH via JH0CJH (B), (L)
VR2/W8AY via R2AD (B)
VX2I via VE2CQ (B)

VY2TT via K6LA (B)
W1ASB/p via W1ASB (B), (L)
W1T via W1GLO (d), (L)
W3WFF/8 via N3GJ (B)
W4O VIA N4YDU (d)
W6UX/p via W6UX (B)
WA2CG (B)
WE8A/KH0 QRZ.com
XL31812 via VA3Css
XV9NPS via JA2NPS (B), JA2ODB (d)
YB9IOTA via YB9BU (d)
YE9IOTA via YB9BU (d)
YL/OH5LID via OH5LID (B)
YQ0BIKE via YO6KNE (B)
YV5/UA9YAB via UA9YAB (B)
YV5/UA9YPS via UA9YPS(B)
YV7/UA9YAB via UA9YAB (B)
YV7/UA9YPS via UA9YPS(B)
ZA1TC via TA1HZ (B)
ZV1M via PY1MT (B)
ZW100AF via PY1MT

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived LoTW: N6MZ/KH9 (QSOs from March 1998)

QSLs arrived direct: 6O0CW (I2YSB), D4C (AF-086, IZ4DPV), FR4NT,
FW5ZL/p (OC-118), J28AA (E77E), VR2XMT, YB8Y (GDXF),
YJ0VK (VK2CA)

QSLs arrived bureau: 4A0IARU (N7RO), 6V7D (UA0SE), 7Z7HL (DJ9ZB),
A25FC (ON4CJK), A61C (W4JS), A65BP, A92IO (EI3IO),
E51M (DJ8NK), ED5CJX, EP3MJ (IK2DUW), FG8NY (F6JOE),
FP/M0TDG, FP/K9OT, GI7AXB, HS0ZFP, HS0ZJU (K4HYZ),
KG4SS (K4MIL), KH6IB, KP2AD (OK1AJY), OJ0B,
P40W (N2MM), PJ2/N2MF, PJ2/WX7P, SN5G, TC4X, UA3R,
V55V (DJ8VC), XW0ZJZ (E21EIC), YL2SW, YO9HP,
ZF2AH (W6VNR), 8P9ME (N3ME)

QSLs arrived LoTW: 3B8/IZ4AKS, 5B4AIZ, 6O0CW (2012), AO7NL, DK6YM/p,DL0CS,
DL0CS/p, EA4TD, EM2012KY, EM2012L, HG2011E, HG2011N,
HG2011U, I/F6HBI/p, IG9/IV3TMM, J28RO, KH6ND/KH5,
MM0BQN/p, OX/WA2USA, P3EU, P4/OK7MT, P40PW, R200V,
SQ9OZM/p, T6JP, TM0CEZ, TM0MIT, UW2ZM, V5/DL9NDS,
VK3WAM/p, W1PNS

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1377. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 30 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 02:49:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a018cf9c904c617395b@google.com>
Source record: 2444
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio CubeSats to launch from Vandenberg - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 29 Jul 2012 11:09 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEwAU6LEdv5wmEfTgMwSbTOzm1ZeA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/amateur_radio_cubesats_to_launch_from_vandenberg.htm

Amateur Radio CubeSats to launch from Vandenberg
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio CubeSats to launch from Vandenberg. On August 2, 2012 an Atlas V rocket will launch a combination of 11 satellites from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California for the US Government and NASA ELaNa university CubeSats. The primary ...

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Radio club signals shared clubrooms - Star Canterbury

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHociyWh_K1v6ALxVO8yUW0Obn9gQ&url=http://www.starcanterbury.co.nz/news/radio-club-signals-shared-clubrooms/1486228/

Radio club signals shared clubrooms
Star Canterbury
Christchurch Amateur Radio Club president David Holland said while earthquake compensation and insurance payments may enable them to purchase elsewhere, it may make more sense to team up with another group that has an existing facility or is also ...

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Andy Carroll: West Ham agree loan fee with Liverpool - BBC Sport

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 02:32 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHY85AzcE94AGMdM5WqVkSD9jvJvQ&url=http://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/0/football/19056545

BBC Sport
Andy Carroll: West Ham agree loan fee with Liverpool
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Andy Carroll: West Ham agree loan fee with Liverpool. By Ian Dennis BBC Radio 5 live senior football reporter. West Ham United have agreed a £2m loan fee with Liverpool for Andy Carroll. The season-long deal for the

England striker could result in a ...

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Electronic Communications Amendment Bill - How will it affect amateur radio? - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 29 Jul 2012 11:09 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHk2U5xqkZ5WJJdT9R5PBJWtBbPVQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2012/electronic_communications_amendment_bill.htm

Electronic Communications Amendment Bill - How will it affect amateur radio?
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Electronic Communications Amendment Bill - How will it affect amateur radio? South Africas Department of Communications is planning to create another body next to ICASA to take over spectrum management. One of the many changes proposed in the ...

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RIT campers connect to International Space Station - Brighton-Pittsford Post

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 06:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHAlRKDx4iJCuPYtWC-4Z1d8FNl-g&url=http://www.brightonpittsfordpost.com/feature/x1629581458/RIT-campers-connect-to-International-Space-Station

RIT campers connect to International Space Station
Brighton-Pittsford Post
At 9:32 a.m. Monday, July 23, campers in the Everyday Engineering Program at Rochester Institute of Technology had the chance to connect, via amateur radio, with the International Space Station. The event was part of the Amateur Radio on the ...
Conversation with an astronautKenoraOnline

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 04:58:04 UTC
From: Tanusri Ghosh <tanusri65@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6db7f687-76d2-4a80-acd6-e8f52e2c71f4@x6g2000pbh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2445

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1379. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 31 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 09:51:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a01e759f104c61a4be4@google.com>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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ATTENTION: Illinois QRP'ers Deecatur Illinois Meeting

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 10:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355977-ATTENTION-Illinois-QRP-ers-Deecatur-Illinois-Meeting&goto=newpost

The Cenois Amateur Radio Club in Decatur, Illinois is holding a Tailgate
Party on September 8, 2012 in Mt. Zion, Illinois. Parking lot of the Four
Star Family Restaurant. 1100 N. State Highway 121 Mt. Zion, IL 62549
Noon to 4 p.m.

Free Admission and there is no charge for selling but you have to bring
your own tailgate.

QRP'ers - 1st Annual Central IL Branch of the 4 States QRP Club Meeting.
Any and all interested QRP'ers and kitbuilders should plant to attend.
We're planning on having at least one operating QRP station and there will
be kits for sale from the 4SQRP Club.

1380. Re: QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 31 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 10:15:47 UTC
From: Priyanka Kapur <kapurpri02@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <84526f70-92ad-4af3-b9ce-90380c693e15@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2447

ungli jigal talks about the story of four years life "Engineering Student"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F-MweIUKAig

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1381. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 31 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 11:05:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d042dfdc7f5ed0604c61e2785@google.com>
Source record: 2448
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Sandford Mill Museum GB100MWT

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iYSsiAdg_qA/sandford_mill_museum_gb100mwt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sandford Mill Museum in Chelmsford will be open to the public on the
first three Sundays in August from 2-5pm and amateur radio station GB100MWT
will be on-the-air

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William Shatner and Wil Wheaton narrate new NASA Mars Curiosity Rover video

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As NASA prepares for next week's Curiosity rover landing on Mars, William
Shatner and Wil Wheaton share this thrilling story of NASA's hardest
planetary science mission to date. The video titled, "Grand Entrance,"
guides viewers from entry through descent, and after landing

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Developer buys former Chelmsford Marconi site

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9grDUVbisNs/developer_buys_former_chelmsford_marconi_site.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Marconi New Street factory is to be redeveloped after being left
derelict for several years

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Ulster Radio Hams hope to use County Tower

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Ulster County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service hope to use a Highway
Department tower

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GB2012RA in Woolwich welcomes visitors

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n4mKW2WKIC4/gb2012ra_in_woolwich_welcomes_visitors.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB2012RA has been allocated to the Vintage Operating Group who will be in and around the Royal Artillery Museum in the former Royal Arsenal for the period of the Olympic Shooting. If you are in or near Woolwich then why not come in and see us

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Uiac5elKe6A/july_31.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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New Hackspace in Chelmsford

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bcEbD-nbZu8/new_hackspace_in_chelmsford.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hackspaces/Makerspaces have been springing up around the country. A new one has just opened in Chelmsford, Essex

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 145

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7mL8qRSV62A/soldersmoke_amateur_radio_podcast_145.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new episode of the SolderSmoke amateur radio Podcast is now available

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General public reads about the ILLW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/boWxun0T9tI/general_public_reads_about_the_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

From The Inlander, Kangaroo Island in South Australia, is news that the Cape Willoughby Lighthouse has joined August's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

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Stratospherium II - high altitude APRS balloon from Romania

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dYf4g5Z9Yfg/stratospherium_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This Saturday, August the 4th, at around 8:00 LT (05:00 UTC) the YO3KSR team will try to launch a High Altitude Balloon (HALO), Stratospherium II

1382. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 12:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120731120005.87DE133C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2449
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 29th July 2012

The news headlines:

Special Olympic Prefix update

Olympic Flagship 2 Oscar stations on the air

Voting taking place for new IARU members

A number of UK amateurs have asked for clarification on the applicability of the special letter O prefix. Despite being very busy with the Olympics, Ofcom has responded to the Society's request on this matter. It has been explained that the special prefix is a temporary one that is only available to individuals and clubs where the licensee's callsign has not been changed by a Notice of Variation, NoV. Thus, it is not applicable to Short Contest Calls or Special Event Station callsigns, as these require the use of a callsign different from that of the NoV holder. For licence variations such as the 5MHz and 500kHz NoVs it would be allowable to use the special O prefix, as the licensee's callsign has not been varied by the NoV. Amateurs should be aware that this clarification does not affect the other terms and conditions within the licence, or a related NoV. Note too that the use of the special prefix started at 00.00BST on 21 July and finishes at 23.59BST on 9 September. Radio amateurs in the UK may still apply for an NoV to use the letter O in place of their regional identifier. Details are on the RSGB website, www.RSGB.org. Anyone logging stations using this special prefix can apply for the Olympic QSO Party Award. Again, full details are on the RSGB website.

Both of the Two Oscar Olympic Flagship Special Event Stations are now up and running. You can follow the progress of Two Oscar Twelve L in London on Twitter, with tweets showing new countries worked and the number of stations in the log. Two Oscar Twelve W in Wales also has a Twitter feed. Details can be found on their websites, just search for the callsigns 2 Oscar 12L and 2 Oscar 12W. A number of other special event stations are celebrating the Olympics, some of which are described later in this news report.

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan and the St Vincent & Grenadine Amateur Radio Club are being proposed for membership in the International Amateur Radio Union. The International Amateur Radio Union Calendar notes that the groups have declared that they can satisfy the requirements of the IARU Constitution and Bylaws. As such,

their proposed membership has been put up to the vote by all International Amateur Radio Union member societies, who have until 1 November to cast a ballot.

The 15th international EME conference is being held at Churchill College Cambridge between the 15th and 19th August. It is hosted by the UK Microwave Group. This is the first time that this conference has been held in the UK, and it provides an opportunity to learn about this most technically challenging aspect of our great science based hobby. Earth Moon Earth communications has much in common with radio astronomy and deep space communications and, in addition to EME specific lectures, there will be presentations on both these subjects. Two Nobel Physics Laureates from the world of Radio Astronomy will be present at the conference. Joe Taylor, K1JT is a keen EME enthusiast and will be presenting a paper on MAP65, while Professor Antony Hewish, FRS, is the speaker at the conference gala dinner on Saturday 18th. Day passes and a range of accommodation packages from one to four nights are available. With over 150 delegates and 60 partners from 5 continents already registered, this promises to be a great event. All those wishing to attend must pre register for this conference before 1st August. See www.eme2012.com for full details.

Michael, M1CCF had his Kenwood TS-50S and AT-50 tuner stolen last weekend at the W&P Show, at Beltring, in Kent, while operating the special event station GB4WP. The mounting bracket, power and connecting leads were not with the set when stolen. If you get an inquiry for these items, please contact Michael via m1ccf@talktalk.net.

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Today, 29 July, the Horncastle Summer Rally takes place at the Horncastle Youth Centre, Willow Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6DZ. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £1.50. Tables are £5 and anyone interested should contact Tony, G3ZPU on 01507 527 835.

Also today, 29 July, the Blind Veterans UK Radio & Computer Rally will take place at St Dunstan's, Ovingdean, Brighton, East Sussex BN27BS. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2. Tables are £10 and anyone interested should contact Eddie on 01273 300 772.

On 5 August the Chippenham & DARC Radio Boot Sale takes place at the Chippenham Sea Cadet HQ, off Long Close, Chippenham, approximate post code SN15 3JZ. Doors open at 9am for booters, £5 per boot, foot entry on gate is £1, with under 16s free. There is an on site car park and visitors are asked not to park in Long Close.

King's Lynn ARC Rally & Car Boot will be held on 5 August at Gaywood Community Centre, PE30 4DZ. Doors open at 10am and admission is 2. There will be trade stands and a car boot area. More details from Ray, G3RSV on 01553 849 700.

On 5 August the Lorn Radio Amateur Rally will be held in Crianlarich Village Hall, Crianlarich, near Oban FK20 8QN. Admission is £1 and there will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and a car boot area.

Now for the news of special events

Today, South Tyneside Amateur radio club is operating from 11am to 4pm at Marine Walk, Roker, Sunderland for RNLI Harbour Day. Using GB1SLB, operation will be on 10 to 40 metres. Details from Gerard, M3XYP, whose details are on QRZ.COM.

Pontefract and District Amateur Radio Society will put GB0YD on the air for the eighth year running to celebrate Yorkshire Day on 1 August. They will be operating from Blakey Ridge, near the North Yorkshire town of Kirbymoorside. This is WAB Square SE69 and Locator IO94MJ. The all-weather station will be ready to greet walkers and other visitors, including patrons of the nearby Lion Inn public house. They will be on the air from dawn till dusk, operating on 80 to 10m plus 4m and 2m. All contacts will be confirmed by QSL via the bureau.

GB2VET will be on the air today for Veteran's Weekend, held at the East Park, Holderness Road, Hull. The event is run by the East Yorkshire branch of the Royal Air Force ARS. The station will be mainly active on 20, 40 and 80 meters as well as VHF, UHF and D-Star. At 3pm today, weather permitting, there will Parachute Regiment Freefall Team display. Other attractions include WW2 battle re-enactments and a 1940s show band.

In addition to the Flagship stations mentioned earlier, several other Olympic special event stations are one the air as a celebration of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. In Manchester and Warrington there are three. GB2012MS is at the Metro-Vicks Rugby & Cricket Club house, off Glebelands Road, Manchester M33 6LR. GB2012MW is at West Manchester Radio Club, Meanley Road, Astley, M29 7DW. GB2012MV, based at Grappenhall Community Centre, Warrington WA4 2SG has a Twitter feed with details of the stations worked and their visitors, such as the RSGB President. GB2012OSP is on the air from Fancys Family Farm, Portland, DT5 1FR, and South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating GB1HF close to the 5km Olympic mountain biking course at Hadleigh Farm in South Essex.

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This weekend, TC0KLH will be active from Kefken Island lighthouse during the IOTA contest.

HB9EOU and HB9CVC will be on the island of St Barthelemy until 4 August. They will use the callsign TO2D. The IOTA reference is NA-146.

A multi-national team will be on the air from St Paul Island off the coast of Canada until 1 August. St Paul Island is a separate entity for the DXCC Award and the callsign to be used is CY9M. They will be active

on all bands from 6m to 160m and the QSL Manager is M0URX.

Two Croatian amateurs are with the NATO-led troops in Afghanistan. They are Maj, 9A7TJ and Vlado, 9A3QM and they can be heard as T6TJ and T6VT respectively until the end of September. QSLs for both operators go via 9A6AA.

Zik, DK8ZZ will be active again as 9A/VE3ZIK from Croatia until 18 August. QSL via DK8ZZ, bureau and Logbook of The World.

John, 9M6XRO and Steve, 9M6DXX will be operating as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands, which is IOTA reference AS-051, from 7 to 13 August. Activity will be on 10 to 80m using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be two stations with linear amplifiers to vertical antennas on the edge of the ocean. QSL via M0URX, please use his online QSL request service for both direct and bureau cards, located at http://m0urx.com/oqrs.

The final list of operators for the 8-20 August D64K expedition to the Comoro Islands, AF-007, has been announced. Operator details, QSLing policy and other information can be found at www.d64k.net.

Steven, DO6UL will be active as DO6UL/P from Usedom Island, EU-129 until 10 August. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

The 24 hour IOTA Contest finishes as 1200UTC today, 29 July. The exchange is signal report, serial number and IOTA reference, which is EU-005 for mainland Great Britain and EU-115 for mainland Northern Ireland.

The times given for the 80m Sprint contests in the August RadCom were incorrect. They have all been shortened to 1900-2000UTC. The 2m Backpackers on 4 August should have read 1300-1700UTC. The exchange for this 4th contest in the series is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

Also on the 4th, the 144MHz low power contest takes place from 1400 to 2000UTC. Using all modes the exchange is also signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

The following day, on the 5th, the 432MHz low power contest takes place from 0800 to 1200UTC, Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 30 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. RoPoCo 2 is the first of this month's HF contests. It takes place for 90 minutes, 0700 to 0830UTC on Sunday 5th, using CW only on the 80m band. In your first QSO you send a signal report and your own full postcode. For subsequent QSOs you send the postcode of the station you worked in your previous QSO. This contest relies on accuracy of the exchange, so if you receive a postcode that

you know is wrong, eg impossible, or a corrupted version of your own,
you should pass it on as you receive it, not corrected or amended.

The UK Microwave Group's Microwave Field Day also takes place on 5 August from 0900 to 1700UTC. Using the 1.3 and 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 20th to Thursday the 26th of July, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 27th of July.

With no large complex sunspot regions visible, solar activity was very low to low. Several small groups produced the occasional C class solar flares which took place on the 21st, 23rd, 24th and 26th. The largest solar flare was a C4, which took place on the 24th. Solar flux levels increased from 90 units on the 21st to 115 by the 26th. The average was 99 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 26th was 125 units, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B1.7 units on the 21st to B3.5 units by the 26th. The average was B2.8 units. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet to unsettled levels throughout the period. A weak coronal hole disturbance and maybe a slight glancing blow from a coronal mass ejection contributed towards the sight increase in activity. The only quiet day was the 26th, with an Ap index of 3 units. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 330 and 600 kilometres per second during the period. Particle densities increased briefly to 14 particles per cubic centimetre during the 14th, otherwise, densities were low. Bz varied between minus 7 and plus 8 nanoTeslas every day, except for the quietest day, the 26th, which varied between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the slightly more activity side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity and solar flux levels will not reach as high as they did on the last rotation. Solar activity is expected to be low, with only a small chance of increasing to moderate levels. Solar flux levels should be in the 130's for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at `active' levels for the next few days due to a recurring coronal hole. However, the coronal hole on this rotation is smaller than on the last rotation. Quiet conditions should return by midweek but although an Earth directed coronal mass ejection is unlikely, it cannot be totally ruled out. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 30MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1200 and 1600 hours. Sporadic-E is expected to take place most days between 28 and 70MHz. Occasional openings on 144MHz are still possible but, in general, will be less intense and not as widespread as at the peak of the season.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found

on the RSGB website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Tuesday there's a free 'n' easy evening at the club. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is holding a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. Friday sees the regular club net on GB3FR from 8pm, plus the fourth leg of the 2E0ITV Commemorative Multi-Mode Competition, running between 1900 and 2230. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

South Birmingham Radio Society has an outdoor social event and possible barbecue on Monday. On Wednesday there's a talk in the main hall, plus a Morse class. Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by M0URX on Friday on the Timor-Leste DXpedition. On Saturday they are operating GB4BLC at Weston Lawns, Bedworth Road, Bulkington. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 3 August Wythall Radio Club is having a social evening in the shack on Friday. On Saturday they start their weekend Foundation course & exam. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 29 July Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the IOTA contest from the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 30 July Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is closed. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday 31 July Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 31 July Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 1 August Kidderminster & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an open evening and recruitment drive. All local radio enthusiasts are invited to attend. Meetings are held at the Gilt Edge Club, Zortech Avenue, on the 1st Wednesday of every month. Contact G4CTU, on 01562 823 966.

On Wednesday 1 August Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting and putting the shack on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 1 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is putting GX3ZME on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 2 August Central Radio Amateur Circle is having a night on the air on 145.300MHz from 20:00. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Thursday 2 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a table top sale. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

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NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. South Manchester Radio and Computer Club holds its monthly technical forum on Monday. Thursday sees a night on the air. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Wednesday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on EZNEC antenna modelling software by G3RMX. On Sunday 5 August they are taking part in the RoPoCo CW contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 30 July Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on a homebrew automatic ATU by Zoltan Derzsi. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Tuesday 31 July Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a barbecue and fun night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Tuesday 31 July Otley Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a Morse class. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996 370.

On Wednesday 1 August Denby Dale Radio Club is running special event station GB6YD for Yorkshire Day from Cartworth Moor, plus a club night. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 1 August Goole Radio and Electronics Society is on the air on QRP. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Saturday 4 August Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club commences its Olympic Field Day weekend event using its Olympic special callsign. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

On Friday 3 August South Lancashire Amateur Radio Club commences its 3-day on the air event at the club field. For more information contact Allan, 2E0RAG, on 07533 970 841.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 31 July Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Thursday 2 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 3 August Ayr Amateur Radio Group commences its weekend event, transmitting at Ayr Flower Show. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Friday 3 August Borders Amateur Radio Society Club is meeting in a change from its normal date. Details from Ian, GM8IIO, on 07510 242 615.

On Friday 3 August Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting on Wednesday, then on Saturday they commence their weekend of activity for the RSGB VHF/UHF Low Power Contest. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is at the Blind Veterans UK Radio Rally at St Dunstans today. On Wednesday there's a talk by John, G3WZT, on vector network analysers and their uses. Sunday 5 August sees the monthly breakfast meeting at The Goring Caf© from 9am, followed by special event station GB4SLB at Selsey Lifeboat Station. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday and next Saturday. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is holding its summer social on Friday. The Foundation course continues on Saturday. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running an 80 metre CW net on 3.570MHz from 1 to 2pm on Friday, followed by a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8 to 9pm. Next Sunday sees a slow CW net on 3.570MHz from 1 to 2pm. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a barbecue at the Annual Camp on Friday, which is being dismantled on Sunday 5 August. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 29 July Waterlooville Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on World War 2 radar systems. Details from Rich, G4IBW, on 0772 225 002.

On Tuesday 31 July Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a club net from 8.30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 31 July Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by G4BYE. Details from Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday 1 August Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Rev George Dobbs, G3RJV, on the why and how of QRP. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 1 August Southdown Amateur Radio Society is operating at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Thursday 2 August Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club night, with CW practice from 8.30 to 9pm. Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 0798 224 4788.

On Thursday 2 August Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding its 75th Anniversary barbecue. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Thursday 2 August Cray Valley Radio Society is visiting 2012L, the station and exhibition of amateur radio to mark the London Olympics. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 2 August Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 2 August Vange Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 30 July 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Friday 3 August Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 3 August Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having an introduction to data modes by Andrew Vine, M0GJH. Details are on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday 4 August Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its second field weekend of 2012 at the Rainbow & Dove, where it is holding its 50th Anniversary barbecue. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Saturday 4 August Hilderstone Radio and Electronics Club is running an all day WOK event at Westgate Community Hall. Contact Chrissie

Turner, by email to hilderstoneclub@gmail.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On Monday 30 July Bristol RSGB Group is having a Bring and Buy and natter night. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 30 July Riviera Amateur Radio Club is holding a portable RV with MX0RIV on the air. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday 1 August Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a social evening. More information, including venue details, from Peter Robinson, G0EYR, on 07811 635 819.

On Wednesday 1 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding a fox hunt with Colin, G7GVP. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday 1 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is permanently changing its venue. Future meetings will take place at Abbey Community Centre, The Forum, Abbey Manor Park, Yeovil BA21 3TL. For more information contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Thursday 2 August Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a main club evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 2 August Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding its 4m net on 70.425MHz at 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Thursday 2 August Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 3 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night with the TARS 80m Net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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1383. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 31 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 12:17:04 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jv8ic3$1og$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2450
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> William Shatner and Wil Wheaton narrate new NASA Mars Curiosity Rover
> video
>
Sheldon will not be happy about Wil Wheaton........

1384. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 12:24:44 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <Hqq5ekEM68FQFwRn@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2301
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <20120731120005.87DE133C93@panix2.panix.com>,
Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk writes
>GB2RS NEWS
>
>Sunday 29th July 2012
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>The news headlines:
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>Special Olympic Prefix update
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>A number of UK amateurs have asked for clarification on the
>applicability of the special letter O prefix. Despite being very busy
>with the Olympics, Ofcom has responded to the Society's request on this
>matter. It has been explained that the special prefix is a temporary
>one that is only available to individuals and clubs where the
>licensee's callsign has not been changed by a Notice of Variation, NoV.
>Thus, it is not applicable to Short Contest Calls or Special Event
>Station callsigns, as these require the use of a callsign different
>from that of the NoV holder. For licence variations such as the 5MHz
>and 500kHz NoVs it would be allowable to use the special O prefix, as
>the licensee's callsign has not been varied by the NoV. Amateurs should
>be aware that this clarification does not affect the other terms and
>conditions within the licence, or a related NoV. Note too that the use
>of the special prefix started at 00.00BST on 21 July and finishes at
>23.59BST on 9 September. Radio amateurs in the UK may still apply for
>an NoV to use the letter O in place of their regional identifier.
>Details are on the RSGB website, www.RSGB.org. Anyone logging stations
>using this special prefix can apply for the Olympic QSO Party Award.
>Again, full details are on the RSGB website.
>
One cannot help but wonder "Why is there the need for all these rules,
regulations and restrictions?"

Would it not have been far easier simply (and without any need for an
NoV) to allow all UK radio amateurs to use the special 'O' ™©® in
the their prefix?
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Ian

1385. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 12:32:10 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <jv8j8b$6v2$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2302
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> Would it not have been far easier simply (and without any need for an
> NoV) to allow all UK radio amateurs to use the special 'O' T�� in the
> their prefix?
> Ian

I don't see that it matters two hoots in this day and age.....nobody gives a toss about rules.....

1386. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 13:14:25 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20120731141425.00002cb3@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 2303
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Tue, 31 Jul 2012 13:53:21 +0100
Spike <Aero.Spike@S&T.invalid> wrote:

> >Would it not have been far easier simply (and without any need for
> >an NoV) to allow all UK radio amateurs to use the special 'O' ™©® in
> >the their prefix?
>
> Too easy, and anyway Ofcom have their attention focussed on the
> Olympics.

"Despite being very busy with the Olympics, Ofcom has responded to the
Society's request on this matter."

So they could have simply said "Use the O prefix for the duration of
the events"

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Brian Morrison

1387. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 14:48:49 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <j4tQqZBRB$FQFwEJ@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2304
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <jv8mnsnbm3@dont-email.me>, Chronos <me3@privacy.net>
writes
>On Tue, 31 Jul 2012 13:24:44 +0100
>Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk> wrote:
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>> Would it not have been far easier simply (and without any need for an
>> NoV) to allow all UK radio amateurs to use the special 'O' ™©® in
>> the their prefix?
>
>How else are the Sewage Farm going to get your e-mail and personal
>details?

Having been a loyal member since 1959, they've got my particulars
anyway. If they really wanted details of 'outsiders', they maybe could
have persuaded OFCOM to make it so that only non-members had apply for
an NoV. ;o)
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Ian

1388. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 31 July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-07-31 16:18:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93408b1e2f5d004c622857b@google.com>
Source record: 2305
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Radio Deluxe v5.24.28 Release Announcement

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 02:09 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356006-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-v5-24-28-Release-Announcement&goto=newpost

HRD Software, LLC announces the release of Ham Radio Deluxe 5.24.28 at http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

Mike Carper, WA9PIE, said, ☐We☐ve doubled the number of testers and the results reflect the level of effort they☐ve put into it. The response we☐re gotten with the ☐soft launches☐ shows the long hours invested by our development team have made v5.24.28 the most solid release ever.☐

Respected DXer, contester and DX himself, Jim Kehler - KH2D, has a background in software development and said, ☐This version is light years ahead of anything I've seen so far. It has a vastly improved cluster interface and a DXCC picker that is so accurate it will make your record keeping a breeze. The Beta team has outdone themselves with this release. I can't wait to see what v6.0 looks like.☐

Rick Ruhl, W4PC, said, ☐We☐ve completed many v6.0 features and having a solid base to build them on was the most important thing. I☐m always willing to push the release date later to make sure the program is solid. None of the purchasers of the pre-order 6.0 have lost any support time; in fact, the ones that bought in February got an extra 3-4 months of support for 5.x, not a bad deal for $59.95.☐

HRD will also be sending out a newsletter in the next few weeks to keep the customers updated on the progress of v6.0.

This is the final release of the v5.x product that will continue to be available for free. The company has continued parallel development of v6.0 and intends to release it by the end of summer 2012.

Version 6.x will have many new features which include FSK support, a new QSL and awards tracking interface, improved worked status alerting, support for AR Cluster, label printing, and the Super Sweeper in Digital Master. Super Sweeper will allow multiple signals in multiple modes to be decoded in a single window. New radios and rotor controllers are already implemented in the 6.0 pre-beta the beta team has.

The discounted pre-buy price of $59.95 for v6.0 is being extended for 30 days from this press release. The price will then increase to $69.95 until the v6.0 product ships. This includes technical support for v5.2x. Those that have purchased or will purchase the v5.2x support will receive one year of support from the date of the v6.0 release. The retail price for v6.0 will be $79.95 when the v6.0 product ships.

You can purchase and download the product at
http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/HRDsoftware

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ANS-211 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 09:06 AM PDT
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Appointment of KA3HDO as VP-Human Spaceflight Programs

AMSAT-NA President Barry Baines is pleased to announce that effective August 1, 2012, Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, will be returning as AMSAT's Vice President for Human Spaceflight Programs. This role will include AMSAT's leadership on the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Program and amateur radio operations pursuits on other Human Spaceflight vehicles proposed by NASA, International Space Agencies and domestic and international commercial spaceflight organizations.

Bauer made the following comment regarding his reappointment: "I look forward to working again with AMSAT as we bring the excitement of human space exploration pursuits and amateur radio communications into the communities of the world, inspiring youth to pursue Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) careers".

Frank Bauer stepped down as V.P. for Human Spaceflight in May 2009 due to increasing work responsibilities at NASA. At the time, Bauer was Chief Engineer for the Exploration Systems Mission Directorate at NASA HQ. He retired from NASA in September 2011. However, Bauer has been unable to fully support ARISS or other human spaceflight pursuits due to a post-retirement one year "cooling off" period with NASA and with the International Space Agencies. President Barry Baines clarifies: "Effective September 3, Frank will be able to communicate with NASA and the other International Space Agency officials again. Until then, Frank will start working with the AMSAT

Board and Senior executives in re-establishing his role within the AMSAT-NA community". He further adds: "Once he is able to fully engage, Frank intends to work with AMSAT, NASA, the ARRL, the ARISS team and the International space community to continue to evolve and expand the ARISS program. And to work with the commercial spaceflight community on potential new endeavors as they develop and evolve their human spaceflight vehicles."

The V.P. for Human Spaceflight is a position that is appointed by the AMSAT President that provides leadership and guidance to the AMSAT President, BoD and executives on AMSAT's Human Spaceflight Operations and Development.

[ANS thanks AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW for the above information]

2012 AMSAT Space Symposium Call For Papers

AMSAT announces the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th at the Holiday Inn, Orlando-International Airport, Orlando, Florida.

Symposium Proceedings Editor, Dan Schultz, N8FGV is eagerly awaiting your abstract about the title/topic of your paper and presentation as soon as possible.

Final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings.

Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community:

Papers for publication in the ProceedingsSymposium PresentationsPoster PresentationsEquipment and Operating Demonstrations

Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv at amsat.org.

Watch the AMSAT Symposium Web Pages for the latest information.

[ANS thanks Symposium Proceedings Editor, Dan Schultz, N8FGV for the above information]

ARRL Names Satellite Operator WA4OVO Instructor of the Year

The ARRL Board of Directors announced at their July meeting they have selected Joe Lowenthal, WA4OVO, of Memphis, Tennessee, as the recipient of the 2012 Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award. Joe is also an amateur satellite operator.

The Board noted that Lowenthal ☐has a demonstrated record as an outstanding instructor for Amateur Radio classes, with hundreds of students benefitting from his expertise in the classroom and generous mentoring.☐

The Award cites Joe's skills in his use of creative instructional approaches, demonstrated success rate in students passing thier exam, personal enthusiasm, ability to recruit students, and he models the highest values of the amateur radio community

Herb S. Brier, W9AD, long-time CQ Novice Editor, represented the spirit of effective, caring Amateur Radio instruction. The ARRL, in conjunction with the Lake County (Indiana) Amateur Radio Club, sponsors this award in his memory to recognize the very best in volunteer Amateur Radio instruction and recruitment.

[ANS congratulates Joe Lowenthal, WA4OVO and thanks Rick Tillman, WA4NVM and the ARRL for the above information]

Successful ARISS School Contacts This Week

ESA Space Camp, Dublin, Ireland

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact with the ESA Space Camp, Dublin, Ireland was successfully completed on July

22.

The European Space Agency has locations in several European countries. The annual summer space camp is an occasion when the children of staff employed at ESA get a chance to mix with each other in an environment which allows them to be immersed in space activities and cultural events. This year the 160 ESA campers stayed in a traditional "Harry Potter" style boarding school near Dublin, in a country full of mystical stories and a breath taking landscape.

As part of their 2 week stay at the camp, the children aged 8-17 years, took part in sporting events, field trips where they will explore more about what earth is made of, look more closely at how we explore other planets and design their own launchers and space suits. They will be visited by an ESA astronaut who will join in the activities and explain about astronaut training and human spaceflight.

Women in Engineering Program at Rochester Institute of Technology

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact with the Women in Engineering Program at Rochester Institute of Technology (WE@RIT), Rochester, NY was successfully completed on July 23. WE@RIT is dedicated to increasing the representation of women engineers and women leaders within the engineering profession. Founded in 2003, WE@RIT strives towards achieving gender parity within the Kate Gleason College of Engineering and hosts a comprehensive series of pre-engineering outreach, recruitment, and community building programs in support of this vision.

Astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB was operating the Kenwood TM-D700 ham radio station located in the International Space Station□s Service Module using the callsign NA1SS on 145.800 MHz. The station at the Rochester Institute of Technology used the callsign W2RIT.

See the press release on the Rochester Institute of Technology web.

Television coverage of RIT on TV News: Chat with International Space Station.

Irkutsk, Russia

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact with the 2nd International Industrial Forum of Youth, "Engineers Future 2012", in Irkutsk, Russia was successfully comleted on July 23. This was a direct contact via RKØSWB. No additional school information was available at press time.

Virginia Air and Space Center

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact with the Virginia Air and Space Center, Hampton, VA was successful on July 26. The contact was carried on a direct link between NA1SS aboard the Space Station and KE4ZXW at the Museum.

The Virginia Air and Space Center is a non-profit education center that serves as the Visitor Center for NASA Langley Research Center as well as being home to the NASA LaRC Educator Resource Center.

The Center offers education programs to schools, scouts, home schoolers, and the general public. They host ERC and NASA teacher workshops, STEM activities, events such as NASA's Sun-Earth Day, and the International Observe the Moon Night. They serve the community at large and provide programming for the under-served youth population.

Their on-site ham radio station was used for this contact. It is used to educate students and the public on what ham radio is, how it works, and how satellites work as a means for communication.

[ANS thanks ARISS for the above information]

ARISS Contact Announced for Scouting Space Jam 6

Space Jam 6 takes place August 3-5 at the Chanute Air Museum in Rantuol, IL. (near Champaign-Urbana, 3 hours south of Chicago)

The Space Jamboree Workshop (or just Space Jam for short), is the midwest's largest technology oriented gathering of all Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

Put on by Explorer Crew 272 of Fountain County, IN, and Troop 17 of Champaign, IL, Space Jam is about fun with a purpose: their mission is to see Scouts go on to become scientists, engineers, entrepreneurs, teachers, musicians, technicians, and much more. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Webelos are all welcome to continue and develop excellence in teaching and share what we learn.

Planned activities include hands-on coaching and learning in high tech merit badge fields covering 31 topics in electronics, aviation, aerospace, computers. Additional opportunities will include:

International Space Station Radio ContactLive NASA Digital Learning Network Video ContactHigh Altitude Balloon LaunchAmateur ("Ham") RadioSearch and Rescue Demonstration

The ARISS contact is scheduled for Sunday, August 5 at 10:06:53 UTC. Explorer Crew 272's WB9SA station will provide a direct connection with NA1SS on the 58 degree elevation pass over the midwest. Stations in the United States will be able to copy the 145.800 MHz downlink.

Space Jam 6 details are posted at: http://www.spacejamboree.com/

[ANS thanks Space Jam 6 and the ARISS Contact Schedule by Charlie Sufana, AJ9N for the above information]

Replacement Ericsson VHF Radio in Preparation for ISS Columbus Module

The ARISS International Team Teleconference held on Tuesday, July 17, 2012, reported that a team lead by ISS Amateur Radio Project Engineer Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO were in the final stages of preparing the certification for flight of a replacement radio for the Ericsson VHF radio currently aboard the Columbus Module. The radio will be launched to the ISS aboard an

upcoming re-supply mission.

The ARISS UHF digipeater on 437.550 MHz, which has operated in parallel with the 145.825 MHz system, has continued operation on 437.550 MHz (up/down) after the VHF digi is temporarily off the air. The same digi alias ARISS on UHF is still used.

This change was started with the docking of the ESA Automated Transfer Vehicle (ATV). The ATV is an expendable, unmanned resupply spacecraft delivering propellant, water, air, payloads and experimental supplies to the International Space Station (ISS).

Packet operations were moved to the Columbus Module UHF radio when the Kenwood D700 radio was recently powered off due to needing an additional air purifier to support the ATV. Normally the air purifier is located in the ATV but recent power support issues related to the ATV and ISS necessitated the system be relocated to the Service Module. The purifier is now using the power outlet that the Kenwood radio normally uses. The Russian team has agreed to briefly power the purifier off for the scheduled ARISS school events but then will re-activate the purifier right afterwards. This appears to be a long term impact as ATV is currently scheduled to depart from ISS in September.

[ANS thanks Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO for the above information]

August 2 Atlas Launch From Vandenberg to Launch Four ELaNa Cubesats

On August 2, 2012 an Atlas V rocket will launch a combination of 11 satellites from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California for the US Government and NASA ELaNa university cubesats.

The primary mission will launch a pair of US Navy Ocean Surveillance Satellites (NOSS). These satellites carry equipment to track ships and aircraft by triangulation of radio transmissions. The two NOSS satellites have a combined weight of 6500 kg. They will separate a few days after being placed into a 1100 km circular orbit at 63°

inclination.

This is the first Atlas V launch with modified helium tanks in the Centaur upper stage. The change has created room in the aft skirt to accommodate 8 P-POD dispensers for cubesats. This launch carries 11 cubesats, to be released into 470 x 770 km, 63° orbit about 3 hours after launch and following maneuvers by the Centaur upper stage.

NASA ELaNa LAUNCH AND DEPLOYMENT

3 P-Pods will carry 4 cubesats NASA sponsored "ELaNa VI" cluster:

(1) CINEMA (Cubesat for Ion, Neutral, Electron, Magnetic fields)

http://www.eecs.berkeley.edu/Pubs/Te...CS-2010-83.pdf

First in a trio of identical nano-satellites studying Space Weather effects in near-Earth space, 3U cubesat from University of California at

Berkeley,Uplink uses a serial connection with a data rate of 9600 bps.Downlinks for engineering telemetry and command are in the 2400-2450 MHz range; Science telemetry is in 2200-2300 MHz range.1 Mbps data rate, Reed-Solomon encoded bitstream.

(2) CSSWE (Colorado Student Space Weather Experiment)

http://lasp.colorado.edu/home/about/quick-facts-csswe/

3U-CubeSat designed and developed by students at the University of Colorado at Boulder (CU-Boulder). The objective of the science mission is to address fundamental questions pertaining to the relationship between solar flares and energetic particles.Downlink 437.345 MHz, 9k6 with AX25

(3) CP5 (PolySat)

http://polysat.calpoly.edu/CP5.php

California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo mission with De-Orbiting Experiment Using A Deployed Thin-Film Mechanism.Downlink 437.405 MHz at 1 watt, AFSK on LSB AX.25 over NRZI at 1200 baud, every 2 minutes, begins 3.5 hours after first turn-on

(4) CXBN (Cosmic X-Ray Background Nanosatellite)

http://universe.sonoma.edu/CXBNanosat/

Morehead State University mission to map the entire sky in the X-ray spectrum using high energy cosmic background radiation measurements in the 30-50 keV range. 2U cubesat.Downlink 437.525 MHz, GFSK, AX.25

US Government Payloads

5 P-PODs will carry 7 US Government payloads (list subject to confirmation):

(1) Aeneas

http://www.uk.amsat.org/9034

http://www.isi.edu/projects/serc/aeneas

Department of Homeland Security satellite technology demonstration program to track cargo containers worldwide, 3U cubesat built by the University of Southern California. Proof of concept mission to prove the concept of WiFi based tag tracking from Low Earth OrbitFirst cubesat to deploy 2.4 GHz Dish Antenna. WIFI transmitter will transmit on 2425.0 MHz with 1 watt of output power.Downlink 437.600 MHz AX25 1200 bps beacon every 10 seconds and a spread spectrum two-way link elsewhere in the 70cm band.

(2) ORSES (ORS Enabler Satellite)

Operationally Responsive Space office, 3U cubesat for the US Army Space and Missile Defense Command.

(3) Horus

One of a satellite pair (with Re) has optical sensors to detect orbiting payloads and debris for orbit measurement, 3U cubesat from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

(4) Re

Second satellite of a pair (with Horus) has optical sensors to detect orbiting payloads and debris for orbit measurement, 3U cubesat from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory,

(5, 6, 7) Aerocube 4A, 4B, 4C

Built and operated by the Aerospace Corporation for technical research.

[ANS thanks NASA, the CubeSat Teams noted above, AMSAT-UK, and Gunter's Space Page for the above information]

First US Woman Astronaut Sally Ride Passes

This week the space community noted the passing of NASA Astronaut Sally Ride. The press release (included below) best summarizes her remarkable career and contributions to science and space.

NASA OFFERS CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF PIONEERING ASTRONAUT SALLY RIDE

WASHINGTON -- In a space agency filled with trailblazers, Sally K. Ride was a pioneer of a different sort. The soft-spoken California physicist broke the gender barrier 29 years ago when she rode to orbit aboard space shuttle Challenger to become America's first woman in space.

"Sally Ride broke barriers with grace and professionalism -- and literally changed the face of America's space program," said NASA Administrator Charles Bolden. "The nation has lost one of its finest leaders, teachers and explorers. Our thoughts and prayers are with Sally's family and the many she inspired. She will be missed, but her star will always shine brightly."

"Sally was a personal and professional role model to me and thousands of women around the world," said NASA Deputy Administrator Lori Garver. "Her spirit and determination will continue to be an inspiration for women everywhere."

Ride's contribution to America's space program continued right up until her death at age 61 this week. After two trips to orbit aboard the shuttle, she went on to an award-winning academic career at the University of California, San Diego, where her expertise and wisdom were widely sought on matters related to space. She holds the

distinction of being the only person to serve as a member of both investigation boards following NASA's two space shuttle accidents. She also served as a member of the Review of U.S. Human Spaceflight Plans Committee in 2009 which informed many of the decisions about NASA's current human spaceflight programs.

However, Ride's place in history was assured on June 18, 1983 when she rocketed into space on Challenger's STS-7 mission with four male crewmates.

"The fact that I was going to be the first American woman to go into space carried huge expectations along with it," Ride recalled in an interview for the 25th anniversary of her flight in 2008. "That was made pretty clear the day that I was told I was selected as a crew. I was taken up to Chris Kraft's office. He wanted to have a chat with me and make sure I knew what I was getting into before I went on the crew. I was so dazzled to be on the crew and go into space I remembered very little of what he said."

"On launch day, there was so much excitement and so much happening around us in crew quarters, even on the way to the launch pad," Ride said. "I didn't really think about it that much at the time -- but I came to appreciate what an honor it was to be selected to be the first to get a chance to go into space."

Ride joined NASA as part of the 2008 astronaut class, the first to include women. She and five other women, along with 29 men, were selected out of 8,000 applicants. The class became known as the "Thirty-Five New Guys" and reported to the Johnson Space Center the next summer to begin training. Ride trained for five years before she and three of her classmates were assigned to STS-7. The six-day mission deployed two communications satellites and performed a number of science experiments.

Following that historic flight, Ride returned to space on another shuttle mission, STS-41G in 1984. The 8-day mission deployed the Earth Radiation Budget Satellite, conducted scientific observations of Earth, and demonstrated potential satellite refueling techniques. She was assigned to a third flight, but transitioned to a role on the Rogers Commission that investigated the Challenger accident after that shuttle was lost in January 1986. When the investigation was completed, she accepted a job as a special assistant to the NASA administrator for long range and strategic planning.

Ride left NASA in 1989 to join the faculty at the University of California, San Diego, as a professor of physics and director of the University of California's California Space Institute. In 2001, she founded her own company, Sally Ride Science, to pursue her long-time passion of motivating girls and young women to pursue careers in science, math and technology.

A native of Los Angeles, Ride graduated from high school there in 1968 and enrolled at Stanford University. At Stanford, she earned four degrees, including a doctorate in physics in 2008. She also was an accomplished athlete who played varsity tennis at Stanford after being nationally ranked as a youth.

Ride received numerous honors and awards during the course of her career. Most notably, she was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame and the Astronaut Hall of Fame, and received the Jefferson Award for Public Service, the von Braun Award, the Lindbergh Eagle, and the NCAA's Theodore Roosevelt Award.

[ANS thanks NASA for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

AMSAT Commemorative Shirt for the 2012 Symposium is only available by mail order. If you have not received a copy of the order form you can download and print a copy from the the link on the AMSAT front page. The deadline for receiving your mail order is September 21, 2012.Listen for Norm, N3YKF now arrived in Lima, Peru and assessing his options for working the satellites. He reports a high noise level in Lima but has heard himself on AO-7 mode B. He will try different locations to operate via FO-29 and SO-50. He posted pictures of his setup in Peru.Here is your homework to get ready for Mars Science Laboratory, the Curiosity Rover's landing on Mars on August 5:

(1) This is film from 1978 called □19 Minutes to Earth□ which looks at the discoveries made by the Viking orbiter and

lander, which made its historic arrival on Mars 36 years ago, on July 20, 1976.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=dBBZFjN9hvg

(2) Here is the "Seven Minutes of Terror" video from NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory highlighting the incredible engineering feat it will be to land the Curiosity Rover onto the surface of Mars.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ki_Af...layer_embedded

(3) NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory has released a video on July 24, "The Science of Curiosity: Seeking Signs of Past Mars Habitability discussing the scientific mission of the rover.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oHLbX...layer_embedded

(4) Actor Wil Wheaton, "The Next Generation's" Wesley Crusher, hosts this look at the Mars Science Laboratory mission and its rover, Curiosity:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwhn2...layer_embedded

(5) On the same night Curiosity lands on Mars, a "Martian Triangle" will appear in sunset skies of Earth. The first-magnitude apparition on August 5th gives space fans something to do while they wait for news from the Red Planet.

http://spaceref.com/astronomy/scienc...-sky-show.html

(6) Mars Landing Countdown Clock and dozens of Mars Landing resources can be found at:

+ http://getcurious.com

+ http://www.exploremars.org

NASA has made available on YouTube the video they produced on the 40th Anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing. It covers the full scope of the Apollo program and features interviews with many of the Apollo astronauts. More information about Apollo can be found when you visit http://www.nasa.gov/apollo The video can be viewed at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=ez0bFWKR9-0A Raspberry Pi single

board computer has been used to send live images from near space. Dave Akerman has used a Raspberry Pi computer board as the flight computer on a High Altitude Balloon and sent back live images from near space at an altitude of almost 40 km. The balloon, called PIE1, was launched from Brightwalton, in Berkshire on July 14, 2012. The images were transmitted on 434.650 MHz (300 bps, 600 Hz shift) in the amateur radio 70cm band using the Slow Scan Digital Video (SSDV) standard. PIE1 reached an altitude of 39,994 metres and images were received as far away as Northern Ireland, over 500km distance, from the 10mW transmitter on 434.650 MHz. The full story and pictures are on Dave Akerman's website http://www.daveakerman.com/?p=592 (Southgate)The next Hudson Valley Satcom net dates are Thursday, August 2, August 16, and August 30, 8PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available onthe N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)A 3-Part Video Series, "Introduction to satellite tracking and listening" is available from the Southgate ARC site. This video covers the basics of satellite tracking using the free Orbitron software. See: http://tinyurl.com/3PartSatelliteTrackingVideoVideo showing Special Event Station 8J3A operating the amateur radio satellite FO-29 is available at: http://tinyurl.com/8J3AKanham (Southgate)An article on the CQ Magazine Newsroom on-line notes the 10th anniversary of the reviving of AO-7. Launched in 1974 it operated until its batteries short-circuited in 1981. Twenty-one years later, in 2002, the satellite incredibly came back to life. Ten years after returning to the air, AO-7 is still going strong. The article also notes the recent distance records set via AO-7. Read more at: http://www.cqnewsroom.blogspot.com (thanks to CQ Magazine)NASA astronaut Joe Acaba, KE5DAR, will play Disk Jockey in space on Friday, August 3rd. That's when he will do a live remote from the International Space Station as a part of a two-hour music and talk show to be streamed over Internet station Third Rock Radio. Third Rock Radio is calling this outing "The Joe Show." It describes it as a blend of science, technology, engineering and mathematics and art. Third Rock Radio is a project of Houston, Texas radio veterans. It is produced under a NASA Space Act Agreement with RFC Media. The "Joe Show" is mainly aimed at younger Americans. It can be heard as an audio stream at ThirdRockRadio.net with Acaba's appearance beginning at 4 p.m. Eastern time, on Friday, August 3. (via Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1824 ☐ July 27 2012)A new "Phases of the Moon" app for Android (with iOS version promised soon can be downloaded to your phone ($0.99) Examples and screenshots on-line at: http://tinyurl.com/MoonPhasesApp

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind the day a princess potato told her parents, the king and queen potato, about her plans to marry the local television newscaster. The parents were shocked, all they could do was to declare, "But he is not royalty, he is merely a commentator!"

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

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Attached Images

Frank_KA3HDO.jpg
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eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio CubeSats to Launch from Vandenberg:

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28703

On August 2, 2012 an Atlas V rocket will launch a combination of 11 satellites from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California for the US Government and NASA ELaNa university CubeSats. The primary mission will launch a pair of US Navy Ocean Surveillance Satellites (NOSS). These satellites carry equipment to track ships and aircraft by triangulation of radio transmissions. The two NOSS satellites have a combined weight of 6500 kg. They will separate a few days after being placed into a 1100 km circular orbit at 63° inclination. This is the first Atlas V launch with modified helium tanks in the Centaur upper stage. The change has created room in the aft skirt to accommodate 8 P-POD dispensers for CubeSats. This launch carries 11 CubeSats, to be released into 470 x 770 km, 63° orbit about 3 hours after launch and following maneuvers by the Centaur upper stage.

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Changes to IOTA Rules:

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28702

The IOTA Contest takes place on 28 and 29 July and there are some important rules changes for participants. The scoring for Island-World and World-World QSOs has changed, to increase the importance of working island stations. The World Multi-op category has been discontinued. A QSY rule for Island Multi-Op stations has been introduced, because some entrants have been operating with more than one multiplier station. Finally, low power expedition entrants are now allowed to use any antenna. The 2012 rules are on the Contest Committee section of the RSGB website. All operators are asked to please be careful to use contest preferred band segments, as penalties will be applied to stations who do not observe these limits.

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Amateur Radio Still Fascinates 92-Year-Old:

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28701

COLUMBUS (AP) -- For the Depression-era farm boy fascinated with science, research was relegated to pondering the occasional lightning strike or puddles dappled with tractor oil. Yet Paul Herman vowed to climb from his Pennsylvania roots to answer life's nagging questions. "I found things interesting that, it seemed to me, the other kids didn't pay attention to," he said. "I imagined that I might be different from other kids." The towering radio antenna outside his Clintonville home today is evidence the 92-year-old still is different, and still is searching the airwaves for information. He's one of about 703,000 ham-radio operators nationwide, according to the Connecticut-based National Association for Amateur Radio. "There are more operators in the country than ever before," said association spokesman Allen Pitts. "And it is growing." Those aren't Facebook numbers, but they're evidence that one of the oldest forms of electronic communication isn't ready to die just yet.

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Solar Storm is Expected to Hit Earth on Tuesday:

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28700

A medium-size solar flare erupted from the sun this weekend, hurling a cloud of plasma and charged particles toward Earth on a cosmic path that is expected to deliver a glancing blow to our planet on Tuesday, according to space weather forecasters. The M6-class solar flare exploded from the sun on Saturday, unleashing a wave of plasma and charged particles, called a coronal mass ejection (CME), into space. The CME is expected to reach Earth tomorrow, and could deliver a glancing blow to Earth's magnetic field at around 11 a.m. EDT, according to the website Spaceweather.com, which regularly monitors space weather events. "This is a slow-moving CME," astronomer Tony Phillips wrote on Spaceweather.com. "The cloud's low speed (382 km/s estimated) combined with its glancing trajectory suggests a weak impact is in the offing. Nevertheless, polar geomagnetic storms are possible when the cloud arrives."

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Stratospherium II -- HALO:

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 04:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28699

Saturday, August the 4th, at around 8:00 LT (05:00 UTC) the YO3KSR team will try to launch a High Altitude Balloon (HALO), Stratospherium II. This time, the balloon will have some scientific experiments on board and the APRS position and telemetry will be sent
on 144.850 MHz in order to give a chance for foreign radioamateurs to directly receive the beacon. We will digipeat the beacons onto 144.800 MHz in order to put Stratospherium II onto the APRS.FI via local I-Gates. The launching site coordinates are around Mizil in Buzau County, depending on
last minute flight path simulations:

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Press Release: Ham Radio Deluxe v5.24.28 Release:

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 04:43 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28698

Mike Carper, WA9PIE, said, "We've doubled the number of testers and the results reflect the level of effort they've put into it. The response we're gotten with the 'soft launches' shows the long hours invested by our development team have made v5.24 the most solid release ever."

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VU7M Operations:

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28696

Sorry, We have no capability for 160m and 6m operations. We like CW more than SSB, and the low power we run, helps only CW working. Some of our young men may try SSB. Pse wait and see.

1390. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 31 July 2012

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Press Release: Ham Radio Deluxe v5.24.28 Release: - eHam.net

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHuGUChNXFHDSh1VgMYA3PXI_jPdQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28698

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eHam.net - Amateur Radio (Ham Radio) Community ... HRD Software, LLC
announces the release of Ham Radio Deluxe 5.24.28 at
http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com. Mike Carper, WA9PIE, said, “Weve doubled
the number of testers and the results reflect the ...

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Kachina Amateur Radio Club meeting Aug. 9 - White Mountain Independent

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGA07RrHsKMOywPyBYtpWDRajow6w&url=http://www.wmicentral.com/community_beat/briefs/kachina-amateur-radio-club-meeting-aug/article_00dbc84a-db3e-11e1-b6a2-0019bb2963f4.html

Kachina Amateur Radio Club meeting Aug. 9
White Mountain Independent
The Kachina Amateur Radio Club will be holding its monthly club meeting
Aug. 9, at Pizza Factory starting at 6:30 p.m. The restaurant is located at
100 S. White Mountain Rd in Show Low. Anyone who has or is interested in
Amateur Radio is welcome to ...

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Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams - Times of India

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ96xjdcQ35dHk5mAUgSaMGpc8LQ&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Ham-radio-to-link-Ahmedabad-students-with-Sunita-Williams/articleshow/14972807.cms

Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams
Times of India
Ham radio or amateur radio is frequently used for the communication from
space to earth and vice versa and in the past, many of the astronauts
stationed at ISS have had talks with students narrating their experiences
and answering their queries. So far ...

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Amateur Radio Club plans class, license testing - Prescott Daily Courier

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH7fbQJlBgTwS-WsEyDDxwQNoo5Vw&url=http://www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID%3D1%26SubSectionID%3D1%26ArticleID%3D109081

Amateur Radio Club plans class, license testing
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Amateur Radio Club plans class, license testing. The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club will have a two-day "Amateur Extra" license class on July 28 and Aug. 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Granite Mountain Middle School, 1800 Williamson Valley Road in ...

1391. The ARRL Contest Update for August 1, 2012

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you are chasing your Worked All States <http://www.arrl.org/was/>
award (WAS) there can hardly be imagined a better opportunity for
putting those "last few" in the log than the one-day-only North
American QSO Party sponsored by the NCJ. The CW version is this
Saturday and the Phone version is on the 18th - both are 100 watts and
all you have to exchange is your name and state! The Worked All
Europe's CW weekend opens up the fall contest season, too.

BULLETINS

For those of you reading this from outside the United States and Canada
and who have yet to submit your IARU HF Championship log, please be
sure that your Cabrillo log includes the tag line "LOCATION: DX" in the
header at the beginning of the file. If this is missing, the log will
be rejected by the contest's log submission robot. Logs should be
submitted to iaruhf@iaru.org. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager,
Sean KX9X)

BUSTED QSOS

OSCAR 1, which launched on December 12, 1961 was actually the first
satellite constructed with private sponsorship, something of which the
amateur community in general, and the amateur satellite community
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particularly, is justifiably proud. (Thanks, Paul K9NO)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

August 4-5

- ARRL UHF Contest
- North American QSO Party--CW
- Int'l Lighthouse-Lightship Contest
- TARA Grid Dip Shindig--Digital
- 10-10 Summer Phone QSO Party
- European HF Championship
- South Africa DX SSB Contest

August 11-12

- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Aug 6)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Aug 8)
- Worked All Europe--CW
- Maryland-DC QSO Party
- Fall VHF Sprints
- Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon
- NJQRP Skeeter Hunt--CW

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

CQ WW Director, Bob Cox K3EST announced, "With the technology available today and the presence of the Internet practically everywhere, it has been decided to reduce the log submission time for all CQ contests to five (5) days. Approximately 70% of all electronic logs (more than 10,000!) were received within 7 days after the contest. We realize that in some cases circumstances may not allow a timely submission. If an entrant requires more time to submit a log, an extension can be granted for legitimate reasons by contacting questions@cqww.com. Send your email to that address prior to the submission deadline - including before the contest if you expect to require more time. We encourage clubs to notify their members of the new deadline as they may not be aware of the rule change. This is an excellent opportunity for clubs to help members generate and email Cabrillo-formatted logs if they have not done so before." CQ Editor, Rich W2VU notes, "The five-day log submission deadline takes effect with the SSB weekend of the 2012 CQWW DX Contest in October. The deadline for the 2012 CQWW RTTY DX Contest (Sept. 29-30) remains 15 October, as published in the July issue of CQ."

Also from CQ Communications, we receive word that John Lindholm, W1XX, has stepped down as director of the CQ WW VHF Contest. John ran the VHF contest for 10 years and quintupled the number of logs submitted. Steve Bolia, N8BJQ, (who was once the CQ WPX Director) has graciously agreed to step into John's shoes. In addition to his current responsibilities as WPX Award Manager, Steve has already been helping

John with VHF Contest log-checking for the past several years. Thanks to both John and Steve for their service!

Carl Luetzelschwab K9LA presented a July 2012 Webinar reviewing the recent solar minimum, Cycle 24's present status, and propagation in relation to the progress of Cycle 24. The effect of trees on HF and MF propagation and the best height for your antenna were also discussed. You can find the webinar on the Potomac Valley Radio Club's website <http://www.pvrc.org/> archive of past webinars.

Array Solutions <http://arraysolutions.com> has just announced affordable band-pass filters for 160 (AS-160) through 10 meters (AS-10). Shown at right, these are designed for Field Day operations, club purchases, and DXpeditions. The filters are an improved version of the I.C.E. model 403-411 two-resonator filters and are symmetrical so that they can be connected in either orientation. The website includes vector network analyzer data <http://www.arraysolutions.com/Products/as-bpffilters.htm> on the filters, too.

Dave W9GRX requests that VHF+ contesters send a copy of their recent logs "for use in compiling the VHF Super Check Partial (SCP) Database. This is a complement to the excellent HF Contest SCP Database maintained by WA1Z. Logs are kept in confidence. The previous year of logs is deleted when the June Database is released. The various files can be found at www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/ <http://www.k3lr.com/w9zrx/>. The trailing / is required. Cabrillo files should be emailed to zephd@indy.rr.com.

Many DX cluster nodes are now carrying Reverse Beacon Network <http://www.reversebeacon.net/> (RBN) spots in addition to traditional spots. If you go to the online DX Cluster directory <http://www.dxcluster.info/telnet/index.php> and check only the boxes for AR Cluster and CC Cluster, you will find cluster nodes that offer that option identified in the left-hand column. Both ARCluster and CC Cluster offer extensive filtering options particularly designed for handling Skimmer spots. (Thanks, Pete N4ZR)

Is there an iPad app for logging contacts? Hans K0HB reports finding "HamLog" in the online store at a cost of 99 cents.

Hans also reports excellent results from new hearing aids featuring a Bluetooth link to a stereo audio source. "Wow! It's like you have your head inside the radio! No headset needed! I don't need to abandon CW after all." Sounds like he likes it. Many new models feature this wireless link including both behind-the-ear and in-the-ear aids.

Here's a ham in the news - the new Prime Minister of Serbia is Ivica Dacic, YU1YU. Will a tribander appear over the presidential residence? (Thanks, Venci Z39Z)

Steve Powlishen K1FO
<http://www.arrl.org/news/noted-em-qst-em-author-steve-powlishen-k1fo-sk>

became a Silent Key this past week. Steve designed high-performance antennas that are standards in the VHF+ contest community. He was also a QST and QEX author with several ground-breaking articles on VHF+ antennas and amplifiers.

Web Site of the Week - David K2DSL relayed word of this Google Calendar formatted online contest calendar <https://sites.google.com/site/dl2nbycontestcalendar/> by DL2NBY. By clicking the Google icon at the bottom right, you can add this calendar to your own Google Calendar.

WORD TO THE WISE

ID - it's not just for ragchews anymore! The availability of Internet spotting networks does not remove the requirement to send your call sign in contests - we need to know who you are!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The WRTC 2014 <http://wrtc2014.org> team was busy checking out their station design with 15 stations participating in the IARU HF Championship under "WRTC Conditions". Event co-chair, Randy K5ZD, "...drove 7.5 hours and 286 miles over the weekend. Visited 7 of the 13 stations <http://photobucket.com/2012test_k5zd>. It was very impressive to see all of the stations look so professional - and similar! The enthusiasm and effort of the volunteers was truly outstanding." Allen N2KW took many photos of the Sholan Farms site <http://photobucket.com/2012test_n2kw> and "Beam Team" leader K1RX also provided a photo tour <http://photobucket.com/2012test_k1rx> of his efforts, too.

The London Olympics special station 2O12L is making a lot of QSOs on the bands - here's their website <http://www.2o12l.com/> showing a pretty nice set-up. (Thanks, Bob N6TV)

Bob N6TV also discovered an online audio archive <http://ol5q.nagano.cz/audio.php> maintained by OL5Q. The audio is in Ogg Vorbis format and more information about playing these files is available from the Wikipedia <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Media_help_%28Ogg%29>.

Tim, N6WIN has created an extensive website <http://www.n6win.com/index_files/VP9I.htm> about his VP9 operation with Kurt W6PH during the 2012 ARRL DX Phone contest - great info about Bermuda and operating from VP9!

The Mars Science Laboratory is going to be landing on the Red Planet on August 5th - its advanced landing mechanism has heightened the curiosity of millions around the world. For some pre-landing preparation, AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-211 including the following videos:

- "19 Minutes to Earth"
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=dBBZFjN9hvg>
about the Viking orbiter (1976)
- "Seven Minutes of Terror
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ki_Af_o9Q9s&feature=player_embedded>"
on the Curiousity rover's landing from JPL
- "The Science of Curiosity: Seeking Signs of Past Mars Habitability
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oHLbXTOaw7w&feature=player_embedded>"
also by JPL
- An overview
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwhn2knY6EE&feature=player_embedded> of
the Mars Science Laboratory mission and rover, hosted by Wil Wheaton

There's a lot going on overhead lately and here's a neat story about a
satellite
<http://gizmodo.com/5929857/tiny-satellite-to-scrawl-morse-code-messages-across-the-night-sky>
that will beam 200 watts of Morse code down to Earth as visible light!
Deployment from the ISS is scheduled for Sep 6.

A chart of the electromagnetic spectrum adorns a lot of workshops,
offices, and ham shacks - here's a free download version
<http://unihedron.com/projects/spectrum/moreinfo.php> from Unihedron
and a full-size printed copy can be purchased as well. (Thanks, AMSAT
<http://www.amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-197)

Speaking of well-equipped shacks, does your shack need a "makeover"?
Jake K9WN turned up this oldie-but-goodie
<http://www.yccc.org/Articles/Makeover/The_YCCC_CQWW_Makeover.pdf> from
the Yankee Clipper Contest Club archives.

Lightning at 7,207 images per second is just as impressive - and maybe
more - than a real-time strike. You can see for yourself in this
high-speed movie on Astronomy Picture of the Day
<http://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap120723.html>.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The work of the Regional writeup authors has been collected and the
2012 ARRL DX Phone extended results article
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>is now online. Although
there are a couple more to add, thanks to all of the volunteers who
contribute to this article. Diego LU8ADX tells the tale in both Spanish
and English for contesters from Central and South America.

Certificates for the 2011 ARRL August UHF Contest should be hitting the
mailboxes shortly. They are in the spiffy new graphic format that was
so well-received for the ARRL June VHF Contest. (Thanks, ARRL Contest
Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The 14th running of the NCCC Sprint Ladder
<http://www.ncccsprint.com/>, 'NSL XIV - Spring 2012' has come to a
close with 67 unique stations participating. Congratulations to
winners:

Atlantic: Eric ('Ty') Tichansky, NO3M
East Central: Tor Clay, N4OGW
West Central: Todd Dravland, WD0T
West: Danny Eskenazi, K7SS
NCCC: Ken Keeler, N6RO
The 15th Sprint Ladder begins tomorrow night (Aug 3, 0230-0300Z) on 5 bands during the single 30-minute contest period! (Thanks, Bill N6ZFO and Ken KE3X for the NCCC Sprint Contest)

The Oceania DX (OCDX) contest committee reports the results <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/2011_Results.htm> of the 2011 contest are now available. "What a difference one year can make! After many years of hibernation the 10 meter band finally exploded back to life with more than 20% of the action in the 2011 contest occurring on this band. The 2011 OCDX contest was the biggest so far with a total of 1259 logs being submitted. In particular it was pleasing to see an 81% increase in the number of logs submitted from North American stations. (Thanks, Brian ZL1AZE for the OCDX Contest Committee)

The final results of the UBA Contest CW 2012 are online at the UBA website <http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-results/contest-results-selection?year=2012&vid=3109> including downloadable contest certificates <http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-results/contest-certificates>. (Thanks, Marc ON7SS/OO9O)

Results of the 2012 Ukrainian DX Classic RTTY Contest <http://urdxc.org/rtty/results2012.php> are already available at the contest website. (Thanks, Leon UT7CL)

OPERATING TIP

Retired USCG Radioman, Chris K4HC relays that "the proper meanings of the Procedural Words Roger and Wilco are:
Roger - Message received and understood
Wilco - Message received and understood, and I will comply.
Therefore, saying "Roger Wilco" is akin to saying "73's". The two are NEVER used together. Hollywood got it wrong on this one."

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

With several generations of Rohn tower sections "in play" across the land, there are reports of difficulties in getting them to fit together. Rich KL7RA devised a handy gauge of copper pipe to help with alignment chores. "I soldered two 90-degree ½-inch elbows to a pipe. It measured a perfect fit for the top legs of Rohn 25 as a quick check. If my leg gauge didn't fit I would put that section aside and [used] a big pipe to bend the leg in or out. The ½-inch pipe matches the OD of the top legs very closely to indicate misalignment and fits inside the bottom of the legs."

Pat N9RV weighs in with some advice for Rohn 25 tower builders, as well. "File off the galvanizing [slag] first. There are at least two problems to tower fit - legs out of round and legs not true (slightly bent). Mate pairs of sections and mark them. Correct for legs out of round (oval) by pounding simultaneously with sledges on the wide parts until they are sufficiently close to circular (both sections). Correct for legs out of true by spreading or compressing using something that is stiff and can give you leverage (such as a [length] of pipe)."

Locknuts or lockwashers? Grant KZ1W writes that "Engineering tests <http://www.boltscience.com/pages/twonuts.htm> show that double nuts properly tightened are superior to lock washers and the Nylock nut is somewhat better as the second nut. Even if the nylon insert degrades (there are non-nylon inserts as well) the double nut friction still is better than a lockwasher. There are other choices as well to insure the fastener stays tight. Perhaps the easiest and most reliable is Loctite. The medium strength grade (blue 242) can be disassembled with hand tools (no heat required). However, the bolt surface should be clean so use the Loctite to prevent SS galling."

Assembling our favorite connector (the PL-259) is a never-ending source of suggestions and favorite procedures. Here's a good process <http://www.w5fc.org/files/how-to/PL259.PDF> for PL-259's with the RG-58/59/8X adapters by K6MHE from W5FC's website that has the benefit of allowing you to see what the finished solder job looks like. (Thanks, Paul W9AC)

But will they make a Smart Toolbag for tower work? This Gadget Freak Case #221 <http://www.designnews.com/author.asp?section_id=1362&doc_id=247463&dfpPParams=htid_66,bid_30,aid_247463&dfpLayout=blog> presents "Smart Toolbox Finds the Right Tool".

A free online EDN course <http://www.edn.com/electrical-engineers/education-training/courses/4218470/Fundamentals-of-Solar--Off-Grid?cid=Newsletter+-+EDN+on+Analog> covers the fundamentals of off-grid, stand-alone photovoltaic (PV) systems, with a good overview of the technologies, topologies and electronics that make up such systems. An earlier course--Fundamentals of Solar: Grid Connected--focused on PV systems connected to the power grid; if you're considering connecting your system to the grid at any point, please check out that course, too.

Aggregate concrete finishes can look more attractive than plain concrete surfaces. Scott W5WZ explains the difference: "Aggregate concrete (in our market more commonly called "washed concrete") is simply regular concrete that is finished differently. Instead of using trowels to get the smooth surface, at that point in the curing process, the upper layer of cement is washed away with water to expose the aggregate which is contained in the ready-mix. This principle works well on mixes of strength between 2500 & 4500 PSI, albeit the stronger mixes require more precise timing of the washing operation." He notes that your local ready-mix plant will help you get the look and strength

you need.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Is 1 or 2 dB worth the bother? Judge for yourself at Dave AB7E's "Minimum Discernable Difference <http://www.ab7e.com/weak_signal/mdd.html>" website.

==> CONVERSATION

Bring On the Rookies!

In just over two-and-a-half weeks (Aug 19th) the August edition of the ARRL's Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> contest will hit the airwaves for six hours - 1800 through 2359Z. This is a perfect opportunity to give those promising new operators you met at Field Day some hands-on time in the shack. It's important to put the word out early so that busy end-of-the-summer weekend time can be added to the all-important Master Refrigerator Calendar.

This is the digital edition of Rookie Roundup - meaning RTTY. Many younger hams are far more comfortable wrangling a keyboard than they are a microphone or Morse key so encourage them to "drop by and make a few QSOs". I'll bet they find it exciting and interesting enough to stay for quite a while!

There have been some recent changes in the Rookie Roundup rules to encourage teamwork and group mentoring. After receiving a number of requests for it, the Multioperator category is now a reality. Any number of Rookie operators may now band together at a single QTH and take turns operating using a single call and submitting a single score. This also works for a stream of operators dropping in for some chair time. Note that Multioperator teams are allowed only a single transceiver.

In the new Team Competition up to five Rookie Single-Operator entrants can operate from separate stations and combine their scores for a cumulative team score. Team members can be located anywhere. Note that Multioperator entrants and non-Rookies are not eligible to be part of a Team, only Rookie Single-Operators. Operators are also limited to being on only one team for each RR. Team registration will begin one week before each RR starts; look for the link to Team Registration in the At-A-Glance section of the ARRL's Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> web page. How about your club challenges another local club to see whose team of Rookies do the most rounding up?

As always, Non-Rookies are encouraged to help the Rookies through on-site Elmering during the contest and by getting on the air and working Rookies in the event itself. If you're not on RTTY, this event is a great testing ground for hooking up the necessary pieces - just a couple of cables and your contest logging software, most likely - will get you going.

If you're considering hosting a couple of new members - put out the word today! An email to the club email reflector or website is a good way to get started. If your club newsletter comes out at the beginning of the month - be sure to send the editor a note. And then follow up with photos and an after-event report to encourage more activity throughout the contest season.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

1 August through 14 August 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Int'l Lighthouse-Lightship Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from Aug 4, 0000Z to Aug 5, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial or ARLHS mbr/light nr and name, S/P/C. Logs due: Aug 31. Rules <http://illw.org/>

TARA Grid Dip Shindig--Digital, from Aug 4, 0000Z to Aug 4, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: Name and 4-char grid square. Logs due: Sep 3. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_grid_rules.html>

10-10 Summer Phone QSO Party--Phone, from Aug 4, 0001Z to Aug 5, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Aug 20. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

European HF Championship--Phone, CW, from Aug 4, 1200Z to Aug 4, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), last two digits of 1st year licensed. Logs due: Aug 31. Rules <http://lea.hamradio.si/%7Escc/euhf/euhfc.htm>

North American QSO Party--CW, from Aug 4, 1800Z to Aug 5, 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Name and state. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://ncjweb.com/>

South Africa DX SSB Contest--Phone, from Aug 5, 1300Z to Aug 5, 1630Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 14 Aug. Rules <http://www.sarl.org.za/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone, CW, from Aug 6, 1600Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, First through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Aug 8, 1300Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules

<http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Worked All Europe--CW, from Aug 11, 0000Z to Aug 12, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial (see website for QTC rules). Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.waedc.de/>

Maryland-DC QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Aug 11, 1600Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440. Exchange: Maryland county/city or S/P/C. Logs due: Sep 14. Rules <http://mdcqsoparty.w3vpr.org/>

Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Aug 12, 0000Z to Aug 12, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member nr if member. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

NJQRP Skeeter Hunt--CW, from Aug 12, 1700Z to Aug 12, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: QRP calling frequencies. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Skeeter number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://w2lj.blogspot.com/p/njqrp-skeeter-hunt.html>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL UHF Contest--Phone, CW, Digital, from Aug 4, 1800Z to Aug 5, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 222+. Exchange: 4-char grid square. Logs due: Sep 6. Rules <http://arrl.org/contests>

Fall VHF Sprints--Phone, CW, Digital, from Aug 11, 2000Z to Aug 11, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 50. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

TARA Grid Dip Shindig--Digital, from Aug 4, 0000Z to Aug 4, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: Name and 4-char grid square. Logs due: Sep 3. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_grid_rules.html>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone, CW, from Aug 6, 1600Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, First through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

Maryland-DC QSO Party--Phone, CW, Digital, from Aug 11, 1600Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440. Exchange: Maryland county/city or S/P/C. Logs due: Sep 14. Rules <http://mdcqsoparty.w3vpr.org/>

Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Aug 12, 0000Z to Aug 12, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member nr if member. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

1 August through 14 August 2012

- August 1 - DRCG Long Distance Contest, RTTY <http://drcg.de/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=124&Itemid=84>
- August 1 - SMIRK Contest <http://www.smirk.org/contest.html>
- August 1 - ARS Flight of the Bumblebees <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

- August 3 - MI QRP July 4th CW Sprint
<http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>
- August 4 - North American QSO Party, RTTY
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>
- August 10 - DL-DX RTTY Contest
<http://www.drcg.de/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=24&Itemid=36&lang=en>
- August 13 - FISTS Summer Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>
- August 14 - CQC Great Colorado Gold Rush
<http://www.cqc.org/contests/gold2012.htm>
- August 14 - IARU HF World Championship
<http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship>

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1392. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-01 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1343800801@panix.com>
Source record: 2309
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

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"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1393. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 1 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-01 11:09:06 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340c9326cc7604c6325239@google.com>
Source record: 2310
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Lasting Moments of First Excitement

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YfMzkwv7JFo/lasting_moments_of_first_excitement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are excited to announce that we have started on an ambitious project to expand our exhibit at the South Florida Science Museum which we are calling "Lasting Moments of First Excitement"

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The importance of sponsorship to a DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QEdqEd40Fp4/the_importance_of_sponsorship_to_a_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When people think of DXpeditions, they think of operators sat under palm trees on exotic islands with the world of amateur radio enthusiasts trying to talk to them. While this is where every DXpedition tries to get to, there is a LOT of work that has to happen before this is possible!

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2o12W active on the Satellites

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W18D7dZNAAY/2o12w_active_on_the_satellites.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Olympic Flagship Special Event Station 2 Oscar 12 Whiskey (2o12W) has been active on the amateur radio satellites working stations in the USA and across Europe

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Mars Science Laboratory Landing Toolkit

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wpwpOT7I614/mars_science_laboratory_landing_toolkit.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Mars Science Laboratory, that uses sensors developed in Chelmsford, Essex, is due to land on Mars on August 6, 2012 at 05:31 UT

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Radio Amateur takes up Bird Spotting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0oecLOOt25g/radio_amateur_takes_up_bird_spotting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The National newspaper reports that radio amateur Ahmed Al Ali hopes to raise awareness of bird conservation

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New updated Portuguese repeater list

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/07PHhhPnaOg/new_updated_portuguese_repeater_list.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new updated list of Portuguese analogue and digital repeaters from July 30, 2012 is now available to download now

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N4KC publishes Amateur Radio book

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_M3xXix6cRM/n4kc_publishes_amateur_radio_book.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Prolific and best-selling author Don Keith has just published his 25th book and it is a unique blend of fact and fiction that pays tribute to the writer’s hobby of choice: amateur (ham) radio

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact for Space Jam 6

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6qDiJ7e8EDw/ariss_event_0508a.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Space Jam 6, which will be held at the Octave Chanute Aerospace Museum in Rantoul, Illinois, has been scheduled for an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Sunday, August 5 at 10:06 UTC

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Electromagnetic Field - Milton Keynes Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i22ZKZhPGFM/electromagnetic_field_milton_keynes_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hackers and Makers interested in radio, electronics and space will be attending the EMF 2012 camp at Milton Keynes, August 31 - September 2

1394. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 1 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-01 16:55:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223999e536bb04c63727ce@google.com>
Source record: 2311
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Radioville Special Event October 6th

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 03:55 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356130-Radioville-Special-Event-October-6th&goto=newpost

On October 6th the Starke County Amateur Radio Club will be operating from
Radioville, IN, the town that never really existed.

All HF bands will be used. The callsign will be W9JOZ.

QSL via Club address.

Contact if needed is: w9joz@w9joz.org

1395. MMMonVHF Newsletter subscription

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-01 19:52:20 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120801195154.3B7319B80122@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2312
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 31 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-08-01
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Wellknown Steve Powlishen, K1FO, became SK on Saturday July 28th.
Steve was known for his antenna's and amplifiers.

MMMonVHF and DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter-Sprint Contest (World Wide)
The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF in cooperation with the magazine DUBUS invites you
to take part in our 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest.
>Date: 12./13. August 2012 Time period for 48 hours. More information:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctestinfo.php or navigation bar -> Projects -> MS sprint contest

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: EW ; Square: KO32-KO42 ; start 2012-08-01 **

LATEST NEWS from US8ZAL, dated 2012-07-31:
Unfortunately, we linger. Not yet obtained a license. In any case,
we will be QRV for at least 10 days. Hopefully, this week everything will be decided.

>From August 1 to August 10, the team SUDXF will QRV MS, EME, TROPO
of squares KO42, KO32. We start at the same time of two squares:
one EME, from another MS and TROPO. After four days, changing squares.
Call - EW/UT2GWW. Range - 144 MHz? may be and 432 MHz.
Frequencies: EME - 144,138 MHz, MS - 144.353 MHz. The work is always in the
first period.
Operators: EME - Anatoly, UY5HF, Alex, UR7GO. MS - Vlad, US8ZAL, Mike, US0GM.

QSL via US8ZAL

SOURCE: tnx to US8ZAL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OX ; Square: HP15 ; start 2012-07-28 **

OX3LX qrv from HP15EO on HF, 2m 4m and 6m Again this year I have
some work to do in HP15 so therefore I will be QRV when not at QRL
on 2m,4m and 6m. It will also be possible to find me on HF 1.8-30
MHz where I am QRV from NA-151. Main focus is 2m EME and 4m Es
Setup is: 4m/6m 100W 4 elm duoband. 2m 1KW M2-5WL 17 elm yagi with
manual elevation and azimut. QRG's will be decide when on site.
please find me on EU/NA ON4KST or JT65 EME chat
SOURCE: tnx to OZ1DJJ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SP ; Square: JO84 ; start 2012-08-05 **

Rolf, DK2ZF will be qrv from Holiday Place in JO84TH Holiday style -
most of the time will be fishing.. hopefully succesful ! But will
join the Perseids !!! No internet - its an isolated site - 70.200
with QSX 69.950/990 for DL
SOURCE: tnx to Rolf, DK2ZF, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EI ; Square: IO42 ; start 2012-08-09 **

EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD - LATEST NEWS from EI8IQ,
dated 2012-07-12: EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD
We hope to be QRV from the evening of the 9th to the afternoon of
the 13th from IO42.(Dates may vary). Will be on ON4KST when operation
starts. Equipment,QRG,s,Modes,Dates to be decided and when confirmed
will be updated here. QSL Direct or via Bureau. For direct QSLs please
send via EI8IQ with donation to cover return postage.
SOURCE: tnx to EI8IQ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA: Norway ; square JP60 ; start 2012-08-11 **

LA9DFA will activate JP60bg again this year. Primary target will be 144MHz,
but if more operators go with me this time, perhaps we will do some 70MHz and 50MHz to.
Will go to JP60bg sometime between July 23 and 29 to setup antennas for 144MHz.
Will do some operating that day to test antennas and PA. Will announce this on
ON4KST chat in advance. It's weather depended. Will use 2x9el and a 250W on 144Mhz.
Frequency and mode will be announced on ON4KST chat. Will operate random and please follow
me on Shout for info about beamheadings, frequency and tx-periode and so on.
Found that the following hams do need JP60 on 144MHz:
DD3SP DF5NK DF6YL DG1VL DG9YIH DH6DAO DH6JL DJ6AG DK5DQ DK7BY DK7LFG DL0UL DL1RNW DL1SUZ
DL3YEE DL4DWA DL5WG DL6ZAU DL9MCC DM1CG EI8IQ ES3RF F5JKK G1CWP G8VHI GW8IZR GW8JLY HA6NQ
HA6NY HB9DFG HB9FAP I3LGP I5WBE IK4PMB IV3DXW LA4YGA OE3MWS OH3JP OH3KLJ OH4GGW OH5LID
OH6UW
OH8MGK OK1MZM OK1UAK ON4IMM ON4IQ ON7GB OZ1ANA OZ1DJJ PA2M PA3ECU PA4EME PA4PS PA5MS PE1AHX
PE1IKX PE1OPK PG1A RA1OFH RU3ACE RX3QFM S51AT S53J S54O S54AA S55AW S57EA S57SU SM5HUA
SP6NVN
US2YW UT5ER YL2CZ YO2BBT YU7KB
Hope to see you during Perseids, if not before!!

Stay tuned.
SOURCE: tnx to Morten LA9DFA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM: Scotland ; square IP90 ; start 2012-08-20 **

GM6VXB/P qrv from IP90NT

Will be in IP90 for four days (work during day)and will try to work MS
or E's (if conditions). Operations will be early mornings and late evenings work
permitting. KST is possible but intermittent so MS calls will be random on 370/QSY.
Only small setup, 120 Watt to 9 el yagi on 144 or 100 Watt to 5 el yagi on 50

SOURCE: tnx to Martin, GM6VXB, direct to MMMonVHf

** DXCC: DL ; Square: JO44 ; start 2012-08-25 **

Andy DG3XA will be qrv from the Island of Amrum JO44EP
QRV 144 Mhz with 50 watts @ 3 ele / 6m with Dipol TRXV: IC 7000 very
small rig, because i carry my rig by bike on the island.
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1396. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 29th July 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-01 21:17:55 UTC
From: MM3QRO/MM <mm3qro@yjahoo.com>
Message-ID: <jvc6e2$821$1@news.albasani.net>
Source record: 2313
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk wrote:

> GB2RS NEWS

Does everyone know that the RSGB news text is still openly available
for anyone to read on the Friday before transmission?

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1397. eHam.net News for Wednesday 1 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-01 22:04:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30426e02c9f74f04c63b7b66@google.com>
Source record: 2314
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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CQ to Revamp Publication Schedule for Contest Results:

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 06:36 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28707

(Hicksville, NY August 1, 2012) -- CQ magazine will embark on a major reorganization of its editorial content in order to publish contest results significantly sooner, Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. On average, contest results will appear four months sooner than at present. The new schedule will be phased in over the course of 2013 and will be fully in place by 2014.

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Hamfest Invades Cullman:

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28705

CULLMAN, Ala. (WIAT) -- When disaster strikes and the communication network breaks down there's always amateur radio. That's an old saying for HAM radio operators, many of whom were in Cullman this afternoon for the 6th annual Hamfest. The event is designed to bring radio enthusiasts together to swap stories and equipment but most importantly to get to build trusting relationships so everyone is ready when disaster strikes.

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Amateur Radio Operators Help During Storm:

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28704

The Chemung County Amateur Radio Emergency Service community was put on standby Thursday morning by the National Weather Service and Chemung County Emergency Services Director Mike Smith.

Radio operators followed the storm's development while broadcasting a standby message over a repeater system. When the storm hit, the radio operators provided real-time ground reports, by way of the SkyWarn network, to the weather service by direct radio contact to Binghamton.

1398. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 1 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-02 02:19:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396b3e0abfe304c63f0b6c@google.com>
Source record: 2315
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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N4KC publishes Amateur Radio book - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 12:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHepnI8qXATotg-pkxJxxKNyOp5TQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/n4kc_publishes_amateur_radio_book.htm

N4KC publishes Amateur Radio book
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Prolific and best-selling author Don Keith has just published his 25th book and it is a unique blend of fact and fiction that pays tribute to the writers hobby of choice: amateur (ham) radio. RIDING THE SHORTWAVES: EXPLORING THE MAGIC OF AMATEUR ...

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Vancouver to enlist Volunteer Corps to keep city safe - Vancouver Sun

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 07:14 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG7g5CGBBsNBDHVxHppei4S1JkmFw&url=http://www.vancouversun.com/Vancouver%2Benlist%2BVolunteer%2BCorps%2Bkeep%2Bcity%2Bsafe/7026918/story.html

CBC.ca
Vancouver to enlist Volunteer Corps to keep city safe
Vancouver Sun
In the meantime he offers nearly 400 hours of his life every year to coordinate HAM radio services through the citys Vancouver Emergency Community Telecommunications Organization. This month he and his wife Linda, also an amateur radio operator, ...
City wants citizens to enlist in Vancouver Volunteer CorpsTheTyee.ca (blog)

all 26 news articles

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Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact for Space Jam 6 - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 10:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEBLnQgpqztcpCwBzYswqZCOLV-Ag&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/ariss_event_0508a.htm

Upcoming ARISS ham radio contact for Space Jam 6
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
held at the Octave Chanute Aerospace Museum in Rantoul, Illinois, has been

scheduled for an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Sunday, August 5 at 10:06 UTC. The Space Jamboree Workshop is the Midwests largest ...

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Broadcasting to the world and beyond - Manawatu Standard

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 07:47 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH30vRHf1rwADVnnLARjKIzJRnYEw&url=http://www.stuff.co.nz/manawatu-standard/features/7393032/Broadcasting-to-the-world-and-beyond

Manawatu Standard
Broadcasting to the world and beyond
Manawatu Standard
Not many people can say they have communicated directly with astronauts on the International Space Station, but members of the Manawatu Amateur Radio Society have. "People around the world are able to communicate directly with . . . the astronauts as ...

1399. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-040E - Canadian Call Sign Search RAC Web Site

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-02 03:23:20 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5019F22A.1090106@rac.ca>
Source record: 2316
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-040E - Canadian Call Sign Search RAC Web Site
2012-07-31

Over the past several months there have been a number of issues with regard to the "Canadian Call Sign Quick Search" which is available on the main page of the RAC website at <www.rac.ca>.

One issue was that the Amateur address information was displayed. The other was related to the Amateur's address being incorrect as listed.

Both of these issues can only be corrected*_by the holder of the call sign_*contacting Industry Canada (IC) at 1-888-780-3333, or via email tospectrum.amateur@ic.gc.ca <mailto:spectrum.amateur@ic.gc.ca>or creating a user account on the Industry Canada website athttp://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/025.nsf/eng/home. A link is provided on the call sign query results page that takes you directly to the page to create your account.

Since the Industry Canada database is downloaded daily to the RAC website, it can only be changed by contacting Industry Canada. There is a legal requirement by Industry Canada that Amateurs keep their address current in their file. If an Amateur chooses not to publish their information online, that option is available through Industry Canada.

Hopefully this will clarify these two issues in future. RAC would appreciate if this information was included in Club newsletters or other Club correspondence.

Len Morgan, VE9MY
RAC Affiliated Clubs Program Coordinator

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1400. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-041E - Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs Listing

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-02 03:26:38 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5019F311.4060301@rac.ca>
Source record: 2317
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-041E - Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs Listing
2012-07-31

There is a listing of Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs on the RAC website at http://www.rac.ca/en/amateur-radio/clubs/. The information contained in the listing is maintained by Geoff Smith, VA3GS, but it can only be accurate if it is updated. There are some clubs that have not been updated for a few years.

As of January 1, 2013, Geoff will delete any club listing that has not been updated within the last two years. And will be purged bi-annually in the future.

If your club is not current and the club wishes to have their club information listed, please contact Geoff Smith at cdnclubs@gmail.com.

This list is not to be confused with the RAC Affiliated Club list which is displayed under the link "Affiliated Club Program, RAC" in the Site Map on the RAC website.

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1401. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 2 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Second Annual Three Rivers Hamfest - August 11 - Milo, ME

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 08:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356186-Second-Annual-Three-Rivers-Hamfest-August-11-Milo-ME&goto=newpost

The second annual Three Rivers Hamfest (formerly the St Albans Hamfest)
will be held from 8am to 12pm on August 11 at the The Joseph P. Chaisson
Post 41 American Legion in Milo, Maine. This hamfest is sponsored by the
Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club. Activities for the day include:

Breakfast and lunch concessions provided by the American Legion Auxillary

Amateur Radio license testing - starting at 9 am

Ham radio related craft projects for the kids (and adults)

Presentation on using digital modes on HF

Live PSK31 station on-site

Foxhunt

Hardware vendor Kits N Pieces on-site

Tailgate sellers welcome - FREE with admission

Piscataquis EMA mobile command center on-site

Admission - $5 (under 18 free)

Paid admission includes one chance at winning one of many door prizes or
our grand prize - an MFJ 259b antenna analyzer.

Hope to see you at the hamfest! More information is available at
http://www.k1pq.org and on Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/parcradio.

Ken Worster, KB1UJS

President, PARC

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Ak-Sar-Ben ARC Flea Market - Omaha NE

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 10:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356087-Ak-Sar-Ben-ARC-Flea-Market-Omaha-NE&goto=newpost

The Ak-Sar-Ben ARC

September 8th 2012

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8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Sarpy County Fair Grounds

Springfield, NE

Just 5 minutes south of I-80 on Nebraska Highway 50

8' Tables

$8 each if paid in advance

$10 each if paid at the door

Admission $4

Download Flyer and Registration Form

or use PayPal to reserve your tables

AARC Flea-Esta Table Reservation

Breakfast and Lunch on site - Door Prizes - Free Parking

flea@aksarbenarc.org for more details

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1402. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 2 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-02 11:04:54 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d042ef6653645ec04c646614b@google.com>
Source record: 2319
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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VK5DGR to receive ARRL Technical Innovation Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oLx4h-qc_Lk/vk5dgr_to_receive_arrl_technical_innovation_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL Board has awarded the 2012 ARRL Technical Innovation Award to
David Rowe VK5DGR for his work on the amateur radio Codec2 low bit rate
speech codec

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Amateur Radio CubeSats launch today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iv8ttawyVz8/amateur_radio_cubesats_launch_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There'll be new signals to listen out for on 437 MHz following the launch
on Thursday, August 2 at 07:40 UT of amateur radio CubeSats from Vandenberg

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L1BKXP8nFuM/august_02.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Well thank goodness for the weekend! The rest of the week was bad,
bad ,bad. CY9M, (St Paul Island DXpedition) was an easy top trump over the
weekend with various other including MY/OT9Z, (Islandhoppers DXpedition to
Jersey) being popular during the week

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India blackout affects millions

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8LP0u2ZeXeg/india_blackout_affects_millions.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In the world's worst blackout in recent times, power was cut to 700 million
people in India

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RUO2kUkbh0U/wca_0208.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW has details of six World Castles Award operations taking place in the next two weeks

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Latest edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter now online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yTZimtd9jqY/latest_edtion_of_the_5mhz_newsletter_now_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest edition - No. 04, Summer 2012 - of The 5 MHz Newsletter is now online

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Threat of greater PLT radio pollution

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ndAg7Vc2V1I/threat_of_greater_plt_radio_pollution.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There are concerns that a new PLT standard to be voted on soon will significantly increase the level of radio pollution

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CQ to revamp publication schedule for Contest results

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CQ magazine will embark on a major reorganization of its editorial content in order to publish contest results significantly sooner, Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today

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Much Wenlock Olympian Celebration Special Event Station

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Lot_EvdglpE/much_wenlock_olympian_celebration_special_event_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Telford and District Amateur Radio Society will be setting up the station from 5pm on Friday 10th and will be operational from early Saturday until Sunday 12th August 2012 using the call sign GB0WPB (William Penny Brookes)

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Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs Listing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LeP7v-sC6es/canadian_amateur_radio_clubs_listing.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There is a listing of Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs on the RAC website. The information contained in the listing can only be accurate if it is updated. There are some clubs that have not been updated for a few years

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TV should switch to internet, peers suggest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aTrSpNNWMTE/tv_should_switch_to_internet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A House of Lords committee has suggested that TV should be moved onto the Internet to free up radio spectrum

1403. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 2 August 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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CQ to Revamp Publication Schedule for Contest Results;

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356208-CQ-to-Revamp-Publication-Schedule-for-Contest-Results&goto=newpost

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CQ TO REVAMP PUBLICATION SCHEDULE FOR CONTEST RESULTS;

MAJOR RESULTS TO APPEAR FOUR MONTHS EARLIER

(Hicksville, NY August 1, 2012) -- CQ magazine will embark on a major reorganization of its editorial content in order to publish contest results significantly sooner, Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. On average, contest results will appear four months sooner than at present. The new schedule will be phased in over the course of 2013 and will be fully in place by 2014.

"The phase-in is necessary because of new and old dates overlapping," Moseson explained, "as well as scheduling needs for non-contest articles including our special focus issues and Dayton new product reports. As a result, some contest results will be temporarily relocated in 2013 and some specials will be rearranged as well.

"In addition, there will be two sets of CQ WPX Contest results published in 2013 -- the 2012 scores in January (SSB) and February (CW), followed by the 2013 results in September (SSB) and November (CW). The CQ World Wide DX Contest results, which currently appear in the August (SSB) and September (CW) issues, will be published as of 2013 in the April and May issues, respectively. For one year only (2013), the CQ World Wide VHF Contest results will be published in CQ VHF magazine, and will return to CQ as of 2014, appearing in the January issue."

This schedule change has been made possible by the fact that the vast majority of contest entrants submit their logs online, as well as advancements in technology for log-checking, earlier log submission deadlines announced last month and advances in publishing technology.

"For years, both participants and contest directors have been asking us to publish the results sooner," Moseson explained, "and at last, all of the pieces have fallen into place to make it possible. The new schedule represents the minimum amount of time needed to not only collect and process the logs, but to resolve issues with problem logs and take the necessary steps to assure the ongoing integrity of our contest results."

A complete calendar of contest results issues for 2013 and 2014 will be posted on the CQ website at www.cq-amateur-radio.com>.

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Lasting Moments of First Excitement

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 09:52 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356083-Lasting-Moments-of-First-Excitement&goto=newpost

We are excited to announce that we have started on an ambitious project to expand the WS4FSM exhibit at the South Florida Science Museum that we are calling "Lasting Moments of First Excitement". To help raise the necessary funding we have launched a project on KickStarter to take our story to the world. We know Amateur Radio has had a significant impact on the technological developments of the 20th century. And we want to excite and inspire young minds with Amateur Radio to continue that tradition in the 21st century. The youth of today are not just the future of Amateur Radio but the future of scientific discovery.

Combining the technology available with computers and the information available via the Internet with the world wide wireless communications offered by Amateur Radio will lead to a new generation of creativity and scientific advancement. And with Amateur Radio as a motivator it will be a fun experience for those making the journey.

We invite you to visit our KickStarter project at http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/...rst-excitement and join with us in creating "Lasting Moments of First Excitement".

And please take a moment to visit our club website at www.wpbarc.com and "Like" us our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/WestPalmBeachAmateurRadioGroupInc

73,

Tom Loughney

AJ4XM

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Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast Episode 2: Getting Your License

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 09:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356080-Youth-in-Amateur-Radio-Podcast-Episode-2-Getting-Your-License&goto=newpost

Episode 2 of the Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast is now available at http://yarphams.com, in our RSS feeds, and it should be on itunes sometime within the next couple of days. In episode 2 of the Youth In Amateur Radio Podcast, we discuss what Amateur Radio is, why to get your license, and how to get your license.

-The YARP Team-

1404. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 2 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-02 16:50:28 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Alliance, Ohio Amateur Radio Club special event station, August 18.

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 09:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356273-Alliance-Ohio-Amateur-Radio-Club-special-event-station-August-18&goto=newpost

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club (W8LKY) is celebrating the club's 25th anniversary in conjunction with the Alliance Carnation Days Festival. The special event station will operate on August 18, 2012 from 1400Z to 2100Z. Frequencies are 7.045, 7.240+/-, 14.045, 14.240+/- and 21.300. For a certificate, write: W8LKY-Alliance Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 3344, Alliance, Ohio, 44601.

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3rd Annual Fall - Land Ops Adventure Trip

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 08:30 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356270-3rd-Annual-Fall-Land-Ops-Adventure-Trip&goto=newpost

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FREE EVENT hosted by Land Ops Adventure Group

go to LandOps.com

Sign up FREE for event at Land Ops Meetup Site

Attached Images

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1405. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-042E - Norm Rashleigh VE3LC to represent the RACon the Canadian Interoperability Technology Interest Group (CITIG) 700 Mhzdefinition working group

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-02 19:17:43 UTC
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RAC Bulletin 2012-042E - Norm Rashleigh VE3LC to represent the RAC on the Canadian Interoperability Technology Interest Group (CITIG) 700 Mhz definition working group
2012-08-02

Recently, CITIG invited the Radio Amateurs of Canada, as a member group, to appoint a representative to the 700 Mhz definition working group. This group will help to define the network architecture and technical interoperability requirements for a Nation wide broadband mobile data network operating in the 700 Mhz band.

Norm has served the RAC in many ways. Currently he is the RAC Radio Advisory Board of Canada, RABC representative, and has just completed a term as Vice President Industrial Liaison. Norm, many thanks for your continued efforts on our behalf. We sincerely appreciate your knowledge and experience, and thank you for yet again coming to our aid.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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1406. The ARRL Letter for August 2, 2012

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==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS: ARRL SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION VICE DIRECTOR
ANDREA HARTLAGE, KG4IUM, ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION

ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM,
announced that she has resigned her position from the ARRL Board of
Directors, effective August 1. Hartlage -- who graduated from the
Georgia Institute of Technology in May -- will be moving to the
Washington, DC area to begin her career. The ARRL Articles of
Association require that a Director or Vice-Director must reside in the
Division. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has appointed James

Millsap, WB4NWS, of Acworth, Georgia, to fill the vacancy, also effective August 1. Millsap, who has a background serving in the ARRL's Georgia Field Organization, currently serves as the ARRL Metro Atlanta District Emergency Coordinator.

"I want to make it clear that while I will no longer be a member of the Southeastern Division or a Board member, I plan to remain involved in ham radio and to continue serving the Amateur Radio community," Hartlage told Southeastern Division amateurs. "I will continue to be an active member of the Youth in the Second Century Committee, will continue to help the ARRL staff and Board in any way possible and look forward to becoming an active member of the Roanoke Division." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/james-millsap-wb4nws-appointed-vice-director-of-the-arrl-southeastern-division>.

==> + ARRL BOARD OF DIRECTORS: MINUTES OF 2012 SECOND MEETING NOW AVAILABLE

The ARRL Board of Directors met <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-board-plans-for-2014-centennial-celebration-at-2012-second-meeting> July 20-21 in Windsor, Connecticut for its 2012 Second Meeting. The Minutes of that meeting have now been posted <http://www.arrl.org/board-meetings> on the ARRL website.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of July -- takes a look at the 2012 Second Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors, an ARRL-sponsored webinar on hurricane response, an interview on ham radio with an astronaut, W1AW services, integration of the ARRL's LoTW program with CQ's WPX Award, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-48>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC DENIES PETITION SEEKING TO DESIGNATE NATIONWIDE EMERGENCY CALLING FREQUENCY

Saying that it believes that the Amateur Radio Service "allows flexibility to provide emergency communications in a way that takes into account channel availability and other local conditions," the FCC denied a Petition for Rulemaking on July 31 that sought to create a nationwide emergency calling frequency. The Petition -- filed by Bryan Boyle, WB0YLE, of Morrisville, Pennsylvania, and Jim Dixon, WB6NIL, of Alhambra, California -- called upon the FCC to designate 146.550 MHz as a "non-exclusive nationwide Amateur Radio Service emergency communications channel using FM wideband modulation." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-denies-petition-seeking-to-designate-nationwide-emergency-calling-frequency>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC UPHOLDS $7000 FORFEITURE ORDER TO CALIFORNIA CB OPERATOR

After a Merced, California man refused to let FCC investigators inspect his Citizens Band (CB) radio station, the FCC issued -- and upheld -- a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) for $7000 for not allowing the inspection. In issuing the NAL in March 2011, the FCC found that Ira Jones "apparently willfully and repeatedly" violated Section 303(n) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 95.426(a) of the Commission's rules (CB Rule 26) by failing to permit the inspection. Jones responded to the NAL, but the FCC upheld the forfeiture amount, saying that Jones' arguments were "irrelevant" and "unpersuasive." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-upholds-7000-forfeiture-order-to-california-cb-operator>.

==> + IVICA DACIC, YU1YU, ELECTED PRIME MINISTER OF SERBIA

Former Serbian Internal Affairs Minister Ivica Dacic, YU1YU <http://sps.org.rs/en/president/>, was elected as that country's newest Prime Minister on July 27. He succeeds Mirko Cvetkovic, who served as Serbia's Prime Minister from 2008-2012. Dacic is the leader of the Socialist Party of Serbia; from 2008 until his election as Prime Minister, he served as First Deputy Prime Minister, as well as Minister of Internal Affairs. In March 2012, Serbia became a candidate for membership in the European Union (EU <http://europa.eu/index_en.htm>).

Dacic is a member of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (SRS <http://www.yu1srs.org.rs/>), Serbia's IARU Member-Society and is said to be a member of his local club, YU1AAV <http://www.yu1fjk.org/yu1aav/>. The club was founded in 1978 as one of nine sections of the Novi Beograd (New Belgrade) Amateur Radio Club, YU1FJK <http://www.yu1fjk.org/yu1aav/>. According to its website, YU1AAV's primary goal has been to teach kids Morse code and Amateur Radio Direction Finding skills: "The 1990s brought us war, sanctions and social crises, but it also brought the good opportunity to move kids from the streets to learn ham radio. These were the years when the most kids from the neighborhood finished the course to get their basic ham license."

Boban Kojic, YT9A, told ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, that he was "happy that Ivica had become a ham and had passed his telegrapher's class. It is exciting that today's Prime Minister passed his second class exam in high school and has supported his club throughout the years. I first met Ivica at the 2005 Region 1 ARDF Championships in Tara, when I was SRS President. He helped to gather funds for the event, and together, we went from ministry to ministry in search of financial support. Ivica himself called the president of Bajina Bašta [a town located in the western mountains of Serbia where the opening ceremony would be held] and sought his assistance to fund the opening ceremony. Now this wasn't a small amount of money; it was money for the buses from Tara to Bajina Bašta and back, the renting of a stadium, cleaning and decorating, organization of about 15-20 minutes

of cultural and arts programs and cocktails for representatives of the national associations, as well as gift bags for each and every one of them."

In another e-mail to Sumner, Ivan Mastilovic, YU1LA, said that while he has not heard Dacic on the bands, "it is probably because his job takes all his free time. I have met him a few times with the SRS and he is a very nice young man with a real interest in Amateur Radio. No doubt that when his political career ends, he will be on the air more with a true love for ham radio. Now, as our Prime Minster, I'm sure he can help our ham radio community."

Prior to his election as Prime Minister, Dacic served as the spokesman for the Socialist Party of Serbia (SPS <http://sps.org.rs/en/>) from 1992-2000; he has served as president of the SPS since December 2006. He holds a degree in political science from the University of Belgrade. According to the SPS, Dacic, 46, is fluent in both Russian and English, is married and the father of two children. -- Thanks to ARRL MVP Associate Sanijela Zanovic for providing translating services

==> ON THE AIR: SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS IN LONDON AND WALES ON THE AIR FOR 2012 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES

Two British special event call signs have been activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: 2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales. Both stations will be on the air for the duration of the Games -- July 25-August 12 -- and continuing through September 9. Organizers hope to make at least 80,000 contacts during the seven weeks that 2O12L and 2O12W are on the air. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/special-event-stations-in-london-and-wales-on-the-air-for-2012-olympic-and-paralympic-games>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I'm up before the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k6o1vuNQmIo>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average sunspot numbers this week were up more than 47 points to 99.3, while the average daily solar flux rose nearly 35 points to 131.7. The solar flux jumped from 139.8 on Tuesday, July 31 to 150.1 on Wednesday, August 1. The predicted solar flux is 155 on August 2-3, 150 on August 4, 145 on August 5-6, 140 on August 7, 135 on August 8-9, 140 and 130 on August 10-11, and back down to 120 on August 12-13. The solar flux is expected to drop below 100 on August 16-21. The predicted planetary A index is 10 and 8 on August 2-3, 5 on August 4-19, 8 on August 20-21, 5 on August 22-23, and then 8, 8, 12 and 8 on August 24-27. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, August 3. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by DEVO's Working in a Coal Mine <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Devo>.

==> SILENT KEY: NOTED QST AUTHOR STEVE POWLISHEN, K1FO (SK)

Steve Powlishen, K1FO, of Madison, Connecticut, passed away July 28
due to complications from cancer. He was 60. An ARRL Life Member,
Powlishen was best known for his antenna designs for weak signal work.
His company, Lunar-Link Systems -- founded by Powlishen in 1994 --
manufactured and sold high-performance amplifiers that allowed more
amateurs to experience Earth-Moon-Earth (EME), often called
"Moonbounce," on 432 MHz. Powlishen -- who had 613 unique contacts on
70 cm EME -- penned more than 10 articles for QST, QEX and Ham Radio
Magazine on weak signal operation. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/noted-em-qst-em-author-steve-powlishen-k1fo-sk>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: CARL LUETZELSCHWAB, K9LA, WINS JULY QST COVER
PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the July QST Cover Plaque award is Carl Luetzelschwab,
K9LA, for his article "Our Recent Solar Minimum and Sunspot Cycle 24
Progress." Congratulations Carl! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given
to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is
determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web
page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your
favorite article in the August issue today.

==> + W1AW: W1AW'S ECHOLINK AND IRLP NODES BACK IN SERVICE

With the recent upgrades
<http://www.arrl.org/news/disruptions-possible-as-arrl-reconfigures-internet-
services>
to the ARRL's Internet system completed, the W1AW EchoLink Conference
Server W1AWBDCT and W1AW's IRLP Node 4292
<http://www.arrl.org/echolink-irlp> are now back in service. Amateurs
are able to once again listen to code practice transmissions and
digital bulletins via the W1AW EchoLink Conference Server.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- August 3 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 4 -- TARA Grid Dip Shindig; European HF Championship
- August 4-5 -- ARRL UHF Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-bands-heat-up-for-the-2012-arrl-august-uhf-cont
est>;
North American QSO Party (CW); 10-10 International Summer Contest (SSB)
- August 5 -- RSGB RoPoCo CW; SARL HF Phone Contest
- August 7 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- August 8 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- August 8-9 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- August 10 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 11-12 -- Maryland-DC QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (CW)

- August 12 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; Feld Hell Sprint
- August 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- August 3-4 -- ARRL Texas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/texas-state-convention-austin-summerfest-2>, Austin, Texas
- August 3-5 -- Pacific Northwest DX Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/pacific-northwest-dx-convention-1>, Portland, Oregon
- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>, Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-hamfest>, Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina, Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>, Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>, New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 14-15 -- W9DXCC Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/w9dxcc-convention-2>, Elk Grove Village, Illinois
- September 15 -- ARRL Virginia Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-section-convention-virginia-beach-hamfest>, Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 22 -- ARRL Washington State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-36th-annual-spokane-hamfest>, Spokane Valley, Washington
- September 22-23 -- ARRL Illinois State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/illinois-state-convention-peoria-superfest-2012>,

Peoria, Illinois
- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,
Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida

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1407. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 2 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-03 02:10:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30426cae94d23904c6530816@google.com>
Source record: 2324
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Before Chatroulette, there was ham radio - KALW

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 06:40 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNErL2jVQbzLFU4CRQOHtoqwuBxBxQ&url=http://www.kalw.org/post/chatroulette-there-was-ham-radio

Before Chatroulette, there was ham radio
KALW
Among its primary users today are amateur radio operators, better known as hams. I am one of these and am proud to say Im fluent in Morse. I was texting way, way before it was cool. Ham radio is a pastime dating back more than a century. Hobbyists ...

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Warrington Amateur Radio Club hits the airwaves - This Is Cheshire

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 07:56 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHFxyV5WzmK0KnS3KTumL7i_gZjEw&url=http://www.thisischeshire.co.uk/news/9853425.Warrington_Amateur_Radio_Club_hits_the_airwaves/

Warrington Amateur Radio Club hits the airwaves
This Is Cheshire
Members of Warrington Amateur Radio Club, in partnership with West Manchester and South Manchester Radio Clubs, will be proudly representing the region with transmissions from all three club headquarters – including Grappenhall in Warrington.

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Surprise long-distance gift brings smile to dad - Quincy Herald Whig

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 07:27 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEsRF4TkZQjv2xDzYLrQnPGpfOsiA&url=http://www.whig.com/story/19177979/surprise-long-distance-gift-brings-smile-to-dad

Surprise long-distance gift brings smile to dad
Quincy Herald Whig
David Nagel had just finished hearing -- and taking part in -- a discussion about a Hallicrafters S-20R receiver at a meeting of the Western Illinois Amateur Radio Club, a model that had first piqued his interest more than 60 years ago. At the end of ...

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Ivica Dacic, YU1YU, Elected Prime Minister of Serbia: - eHam.net

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 06:31 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHB-PpqoJt8cYYi_Ej-kvHldevS5Q&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28713

Ivica Dacic, YU1YU, Elected Prime Minister of Serbia:
eHam.net
I have met him a few times with the SRS and he is a very nice young man with a real interest in Amateur Radio. No doubt that when his political career ends, he will be on the air more with a true love for ham radio. Now, as our Prime Minster, Im sure ...

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 10:48 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFt61HqSuytX-r3VdCrECkm-FaEuA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/wca_0208.htm

Amateur Radio World Castles Award
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio World Castles Award. Hello All! 18/08/2012 - WCA & COTA-DL pedition DK0GYB from Castle Roseburg! - Helmut DM2BPG and Erich DL2HUC will be active on the 18th of August 2012 from Castle Roseburg, WCA: DL-02137, COTA-DL: ...

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Lasting Moments of First Excitement: - eHam.net

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 06:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFimE-s3rjys7qLcKVS4xArkI9hhA&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28721

Lasting Moments of First Excitement:
eHam.net
eHam.net - Amateur Radio (Ham Radio) Community ... Combining the technology available with computers and the information available via the Internet with the world wide wireless communications offered by Amateur Radio will lead to a new generation of ...

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City to enlist Volunteer Corps to help keep Vancouver safe - Vancouver Sun

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 02:25 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF0nVtyIvNMP-UjH1uA4gs3BXG2gQ&url=http://www.vancouversun.com/City%2Benlist%2BVolunteer%2BCorps%2Bhelp%2Bkeep%2BVancouver%2Bsafe/7028561/story.html

CBC.ca
City to enlist Volunteer Corps to help keep Vancouver safe
Vancouver Sun
For more than 30 years, Bryan Farrar has been volunteering as an amateur radio operator, providing a vital communications link when telephones or a

more recent invention, the Internet - stop working. Hes still waiting for
the Big One, the levelling ...
City wants citizens to enlist in Vancouver Volunteer CorpsTheTyee.ca (blog)

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Amateur Radio CubeSats launch today - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 11:25 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGjQt0MGMOb91xl080jwiZY7bu5rg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/amateur_radio_cubesats_launch_today.htm

Amateur Radio CubeSats launch today
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio CubeSats launch today. Therell be new signals to listen out
for on 437 MHz following the launch on Friday, August 3 at 19:27 UT of
amateur radio CubeSats from Vandenberg. Frequencies, preliminary TLEs and
additional information are at: ...

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Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs Listing - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 12:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHQW1rIu4m_MtIAPU6KkwpSaGHi0w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/canadian_amateur_radio_clubs_listing.htm

Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs Listing
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Canadian Amateur Radio Clubs Listing. There is a listing of Canadian
Amateur Radio Clubs on the RAC website at
http://www.rac.ca/en/amateur-radio/clubs/. The information contained in the
listing is maintained by Geoff Smith, VA3GS, but it can only be ...

1408. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-043E - RAC Incoming QSL Bureau

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-03 05:47:11 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <501B6564.2020404@rac.ca>
Source record: 2325
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-043E - RAC Incoming QSL Bureau
2012-08-02

Following changes made to the RAC QSL Bureau system, RAC members are reminded that all VE/VA cards to VE/VA amateurs are to be sent to the RAC Incoming Bureau in Saint John, not to the Outgoing QSL Bureau. QSL's sent to the Outgoing Bureau will experience delivery delays. This QSL service is only available to RAC members.

Also some amateurs are choosing not to receive QSL cards via the bureau. If you are one of those amateurs, please notify your respective bureau and also post your QSL requirements to services such as QRZ.com, etc. Thousands of QSL's are received annually, sorted, sent to the various Provncial/Territorial Bureau's at RAC's expense, only to take up valuable storage space and never claimed. Bureau volunteers would appreciate your assistance with this issue.

Len Morgan, VE9MY
RAC Incoming Bureau Manager

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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1409. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1825 - August 3 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-03 09:00:18 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120803090002.7EBE033C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2326
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1825 - August 3 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1825 with a release date of August 3rd 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The United States prepares for W-R-C 2015, The FCC denies a request to create an emergency calling channel on 2 meters; South Africa's hams wonder if a change in the nations regulatory structure will affect them; the European Union provides protection for hams in interference cases and a new 2 meter radio will soon be on its way to the International Space Station. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1825 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING WRC 2015

A proposed permanent secondary allocation to the amateur service at or near 5 MHz is among agenda items for the World Radiocommunication Conference in 2015. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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There are numerous items on the 2015 World Radiocommunications meeting agenda, as spelled out at the end of the recently concluded 2012 conference. One is the proposal for a possible new allocation to the amateur service on a secondary basis within the band 5.250 to 5.450 MHz. The International Amateur Radio Union has described such an allocation as being among the best for hams to use to provide around the clock emergency communications. So far, little in the way of objections has been heard in public.

According to the publication Radio World, it is the National Telecommunications and Information Administration that coordinates United States participation in the WRC conferences, doing so though a number of government departments and agencies are involved. According to N-T-I-A's website, the next conference will consider spectrum requirements for uses ranging from mobile service allocations for broadband to controlling unmanned aircraft from space.

These conferences are held by the International Telecommunication Union every few years to talk about international radio regulations. An FCC

advisory group will start to meet this month in preparation for the next one. The commission also has set up a website with information about WRC-15. While WRC-15 may seem far away, the planning for it is already getting underway.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Another item of interest on the WRC 15 agenda is the feasibility of achieving a continuous reference time-scale. This either by the modification of coordinated universal time or some other method. (RW)

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RADIO RULES: FCC DENIES PETITION ASKING FOR EMERGENCY CALLING FREQUENCY ON 2 METERS

Don't hold your breath waiting for the FCC to create a nationwide emergency calling frequency on 2 meters or any other Amateur Service band. That's because in denying a petition filed by Bryan Boyle, WB0YLE, of Morrisville, Pennsylvania, and Jim Dixon, WB6NIL, of Alhambra, California, the regulatory agency basically said that it's not necessary to have such a frequency cast in stone in the Part 97 rules. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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Bryan Boyle, WB0YLE, and Jim Dixon, WB6NIL had jointly filed a rule making request that asked the FCC to designate 146.55 MHz in the 2 meter band as a non-exclusive nationwide Amateur Radio Service emergency communications FM channel. In their petition the pair noted that other services, such as Citizens Band Radio, the Aviation Service and the Maritime Service have specific channels set aside for emergency communications. They argued that a similar designated channel in the Amateur Service could serve the same purpose.

But in its denial order dated July 31st the FCC claimed that Dixon and Boyle had not shown that a problem existed that would be addressed by designating a nationwide Amateur Service emergency calling frequency. To the contrary, the regulatory agency noted that the rules as they now stand provide the Amateur Service with what it calls the flexibility to provide emergency communications in a way that takes into account frequency availability and other local conditions.

The FCC observed that under the current Amateur Service rules that licensed operators can use multiple channels on the same or different amateur bands if needed for an event. They can also use multiple channels in the same band when multiple, but different events occur.

Translated into plain English, what the Commission is saying is that plenty of spectrum exists on 2 meters and other ham radio bands for

radio amateurs to provide emergency communications services. This, without the regulatory agency stating that a given frequency is designated for that purpose.

The agency also noted that the Boyle and Dixon proposal for the channel to be a non-exclusive nationwide is essentially no different from the way things are right now. This is because all Amateur Service frequencies are already shared and as such they may be used for providing emergency communications as the need arises. If hams in a given region or even nationwide want to create such designated channels on a voluntary basis that the Amateur Radio community already has the authority to do so.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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The bottom line. The FCC seems to be saying that if such a non-exclusive nationwide emergency calling frequency is needed, nothing in the Part 97 rules prevents the amateur community from voluntarily establishing such channels, be it on 2 meters or for that matter, any other Amateur Service band. (FCC)

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RESTRUCTURING: WILL SOUTH AFRICAS NEW ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AMENDMENT BILL AFFECT AMATEUR RADIO

The South African Department of Communications is planning to create another body parallel to its Independent Communications Authority of South Africa or ICASA. This, to take over the singular duty of spectrum management.

This move comes as one of the many changes proposed in the Electronic Communications Amendment Bill of 2012. That is a measure that among other things calls for the establishment of a new Spectrum Management Agency within the portfolio of the Minister of Communications with the overall responsibility for the country's electromagnetic spectrum.

Along with the proposed law comes an explanatory document. It states that the Minister of Communications will act as the custodian of the spectrum on behalf of the people of South Africa as well as representing that nation before the International Telecommunications Union. This includes the allocation of the radio frequency spectrum to various radio communication services including amateur radio. The minister will also be responsible for all international spectrum matters pertaining to South Africa, including Regional and sub-Regional spectrum planning, all cases concerning international harmful interference and international frequency coordination.

The South Africa Radio League Council says that it is currently studying the draft bill to see what impact it might have on that

nations amateur radio service. South African radio amateurs are invited to send comments to the South Africa Radio League by August 15th. Please address them to secretary (at) sarl (dot) org (dot) za.

(SARL)

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RADIO LAW: EUROPEAN UNION ACCEPTS EMC DIRECTIVE THAT PROTECTS HAMS

It appears as if ham radio operators in the European Union are safe from being treated as sources of massive radio frequency interference. On July 10th the Internal Market and Consumer Protection Committee of the European Parliament voted on a the new version of the an Electromagnetic Compatibility directive containing an amendment fostered by Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club and the Political Relations Committee of the International Amateur Radio Union to protect the rights of radio amateurs. The original draft amendment to the definition of an "electromagnetic disturbance" could in the worst case have led to the signal of an amateur station being treated as an annoyance or intrusion. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW 2 METER RADIO TO LAUNCH TO THE ISS

A new VHF ham radio system will soon be headed to the International Space Station. At the July 17 ARISS meeting Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO, reported that his group is in the final stages of preparing the flight certification for of the replacement hardware for the degraded Ericsson 2 meter radio. That rig is part of the 2nd ISS amateur radio station that is located in the Columbus module.

According to Ransom, they had been hoping to launch of the equipment on flight 33-S on December 5th. Now however comes word that the new radio could be carried aloft ob flight 49-P that's slated to launch on November 1st. As such, Ransom's group is trying to finish the certification process in time for this earlier flight option.

The degraded Ericsson VHF radio may be returned on flight 32-S in October. The team is very interested in trying to determine what the problem has been with this particular piece of gear. And we will have more space related ham radio news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARISS)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA3PBD repeater serving Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED OREGON OPERATOR FINED $15000

The FCC has issued a Notice of Apparent Liability in the amout of $15,000 to Joshua McMurchie of Prineville, Oregon. This for his alleged operation of a an unauthorized station on 97.9 MHz.

Back in 2011 agents from the FCC's Portland Office of its Enforcement Bureau responded to a complaint and traced the signal to McMurchie's home. Local law enforcement officers accompanied the FCC agents and left a Notice of Unlicensed Operation with another resident of the house and also mailed a notice as a backup. According to the FCC McMurchie signed for the latter notice in October 2011,

This past May, the FCC's Portland Enforcement Bureau received another complaint about an illegal station on 97.9 MHz. Both the FCC and Prineville Police officers went to his home, were granted admittance and found a transmitter broadcasting at that location. The FCC says that McMurchie admitted he operated the station and offered to surrender his equipment to the agents.

Now the FCC has issued a proposed penalty. In reaching its decision, the agency boted that the base fine for operating an illegal station is $10,000. However the commission fined McMurchie $15,000 because of his repeated violations. He too has the customary 30 days from receipt of the notice to pay the proposed fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC FINES CALIFORNIA CB OPERATOR $7000 FOR REFUSAL TO PERMIT STATION INSPECTION

The FCC has affirmed a $7000 fine issued to a California Citizens Radio operator. This after he refused to let the FCC inspect his station on several occasions. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, is here with the details:

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This case dates back to March 19, 2010. That's when agents from the San Francisco FCC Office responded to a complaint of interference to the radio communication system equipment of the Merced County Fire Department. The agents then monitored the radio transmissions on frequency 27.165 MHz and used radio direction finding techniques to locate the source of the signal associated with the interference to a CB radio station operating from an Ira Jones' residence in Merced.

The agents approached Jones, identified themselves and told him about the interference. He denied being the source of the interference. They then asked to inspect Jones CB radio station but he refused.

The scenario was basically repeated on August 27th, 2010 when FCC agents, this time accompanied by officers of the Merced Police Department again visited Jones residence. Once again they were refused

admittance. On both occasions the FCC issue Jones written warning notices that he refused to accept.

On March 10, 2011, the San Francisco Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Monetary Forfeiture in the amount of $7,000 to Jones for failing to allow authorized FCC personnel to inspect his CB radio station. Jones responded to the N-A-L on March 30th. At that time he argued that he has not seen the complaints of the alleged the interference, that he did not receive the described warnings from the San Francisco agents, and that the agents did not produce valid identification cards.

But the FCC was not persuaded by any of Jones claims. On July 27th it affirmed the Forfeiture Order that gives Jones the customary 30 days to pay the $7000 fine or to file a further appeal.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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This is the second time in recent weeks that an 11 meter C-B operator has been fined in relation to radio gear that in some way was found to interfere with some form of public service communications. In this case the fine is based not on the interference caused by the C-B operators station but rather because he refused an order from the FCC to inspect it. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED OPERATOR CAUGHT ON VK REPEATER

An unlicensed operator who haunted an Australian repeater has been caught.

About three weeks ago several members of a radio club were contacted by what appeared to be a person operating with a phony call over the Redcliffe repeater. The operator was using the call sign VK4NFL. It did not take very long for that unidentified operator to get caught after authorities became involved.

Australia's Communications and Media Authority or A-C-M-A located the station and the matter is now in the hands of the Commonwealth legal authorities. It appears as though they do not waste very much time with unlicensed violators like this one, down-under. (WIA)

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RADIO BUSINESS: HEATHKIT FILES FOR BANKRUPTCY

The Herald-Palladium newspaper says that the remnants of the famed Heathkit Company that once employed up to 1,800 people in St. Joseph Township, Michigan, is now on the auction block.

Owner Don Desrochers told the paper that the company, which was down to half a dozen employees at the end, defaulted on its lease and has filed for bankruptcy.

The organization was last known as Heathkit Educational Systems. Desrochers told the Herald-Palladium that this business was primarily dependant on federal and state funding for schools. Unfortunately, spending in education continued to drop and as such it was economically unfeasible to continue operating.

Founded in 1926 as an aircraft company, Heathkit shifted its focus to electronics after World War II when it bought surplus electronic parts to build kits. Heathkit left the kit business in 1992, focusing on educational materials, then announced it was getting back into the kit business in 2011. According to Desrochers it was losing the educational business faster than it could grow the electronics business, which was not sustainable.

(Published news reports)

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RADIO TECHNOLOGY: AN FDMDV OPEN SOURCE 1400 BPS HF MODEM

David Rowe, VK5DGR, has made available open source software for a 1400 bps High Frequency FDMRV modem.

FDMDV stands for Frequency Division Multiplexed Digital Voice and is described as basically being a grouping of slow modems running in parallel. For example FDMDV has 14 carriers spaced 75 Hz apart, each running at 50 symbols a second. Due to multipath problems on the High Frequency bands this approach is claimed to work better than one carrier running at 700 symbols per second.

One of the applications of this modem technology will be Digital Voice since it offers fast sync, no multi-second training sequences, the ability to recover quickly after a fade, and no automatic re-transmit of "bad" packets.

Those interested in experimenting with HF digital voice using this technology can find further information and source code at tinyurl.com/hf-digital-voice-modem (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W1HEO RESEARCHING DXPEDITION COSTS

Dee Logan, W1HEO, is researching an article for the DX Magazine on the rising costs of DXpeditons and would like to hear from DXpeditioners for their comments on how to these ever increasing costs. Specific areas of interest include examples of specific costs and reasons for their larger amounts and suggestions for new sources or approaches to donations. If you can help please contact W1HEO by e-mail as soon as possible at deverelogan (at) gmail (dot) com (W1HEO)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KA3HDO RETURNS TO AMSAT AS VP OF HUMAN SPACEFLIGHT

Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, has returned to AMSAT North America as Vice President for Human Spaceflight programs. Bauer stepped down from this position in May 2009 due to increasing work responsibilities at NASA. At the time he was the Chief Engineer for the Exploration Systems Mission Directorate at NASA Headquarters.

Bauer retired from NASA in September 2011. but has been unable to fully support ARISS or other human spaceflight pursuits. This is due to a post-retirement one year "cooling off" period with NASA and with the International Space Agencies. That period ends in about a month.

The Vice President for Human Spaceflight is a position that is appointed by the AMSAT President. It provides leadership and guidance to the AMSAT President, BoD and executives on AMSAT's Human Spaceflight Operations and Development. (AMSAT)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: RADIO AMATEURS OF CANADA CANCELS 2012 NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2012 Radio Amateurs of Canada National Convention slated for the weekend of August 10th to the 12th has been cancelled. According to a press release, planners cite a low number of per-registrants as one of the reasons that the Canadian national Amateur Radio society has taken this action. The organizers will be immediately refunding any registrations received prior to cancellation and say they are already working on plans for their 2013 show. They also apologized to anyone who had arranged other vacation or travel plans around this convention. What little else is known about the cancellation can be found on-line at convention 2012 dot rac dot ca. (VA7AEJ, RAC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: WEST VIRGINIA'S TARA CLUB TO CELEBRATE 50th HAMFEST

And a word of congratulations to West Virginia's Tri-State Amateur Radio Association which will host its 50th annual hamfest from 8:30 a.m. to1 p.m. on August 11th. For ithis golden anniversary the event will be at the Life and Health Center of Christ Temple Church complex in the city of Huntington. This is a new location will offer unlimited free parking and a new, modern facility for the event. More about the group is on-line at www (dot) orgsites (dot) com/wv/taraclub. (TARA)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being

relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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LISTENER NOTICE: PODCAST LINKS UPDATED - PLEASE RE-SUBSCRIBE

This note to listeners who tune into Amateur Radio Newsline using the podcast audio feature. We have updated the links to the iTunes and R-S-S feed for our weekly report and you will need to re-subscribe in your podcast listening device using the new links available at www.arnewsline.org in the right column. Simply click on the link that affects you and perform the re-subscription process as required by each service. And thank you for being an important part of the Amateur Radio Newsline family. (ARNewsline)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: EME CONFERENCE IN THE UK AUGUST 15 - 19

The 15th international EME conference hosted by the U-K Microwave Group is being held at Churchill College Cambridge between August 15th and 19th. It will also feature a star studded scientific cast. RSGB news reader Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, has the details:

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This is the first time that this conference has been held in the UK, and it provides an opportunity to learn about this most technically challenging aspect of our great science based hobby. Earth-Moon-Earth communications has much in common with radio astronomy and deep space communications and, in addition to EME specific lectures, there will be presentations on both these subjects.

Two Nobel Physics Laureates from the world of Radio Astronomy will be present at the conference. Joe Taylor, K1JT is a keen EME enthusiast and will be presenting a paper on MAP65, while Professor Antony Hewish, FRS, is the speaker at the conference gala dinner on Saturday 18th.

With over 150 delegates and 60 partners from five continents already registered, this promises to be a great event.

I'm Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, and you are listening to the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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More information on this event can be found on-line at www.eme2012.com. (GB2RS)

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BEACON NEWS: THE KH6HME BEACONS ARE WELCOME TO STAY ON MONA LOA

The late Paul Lieb, KH6HME's beacon system located at the 8200 foot of Hawaii's Mona Loa Volcano in Hawaii is welcome by the site manager to continue to operate from that location.

According to Don Mussell, the KH6HME beacons are located in the building that was formerly under the control of KGMB-TV. Over the past few years that site was taken over by Hawaii Public Radio, and put under Mussell's supervision.

Mussell says that Hawaii Public Radio is happy to have the beacons located at the site and will leave the operation and maintenance to a ham radio club that also operates equipment inside the building. It will be up to them to decide if the beacon operation will continue. (Don Mussell, CGC)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: NANO COAX CABLES AND THEIR USES

Nano technology is in the news once again. This time as a way to store energy. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has more:

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With all the research on nano-technology, perhaps we shouldn't be surprised that one of the latest involves coaxial cables on a nano-scale.

The main interest in the nano-coaxial cable is as an energy storage device due to the very high capacitance between the inner and outer conductor. A study conduced at Rice University found that the capacitance of the nano-cable is at least 10 times greater than would be predicted with classical electrostatics. The capacitance of the new nano-cable is up to 143 microfarads per centimeter-squared.

Study co-author Jun Lou notes that for energy storage, he can envision a large scale energy storage device consisting of millions of tiny nano-cables side by side in large areas. Lou also says that this cable might also be used as a transmission line for radio frequency signals at the nano scale. This could be useful as a fundamental building block in micro and nano sized electromechanical systems like lab-on-a-chip devices.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW.

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It appears as if nano technology has come a long way since we began reporting on it only a few short years ago. (TV Technology)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ILLW REGISTRATION STILL OPEN FOR AUGUST 18 - 19 EVENT

With 315 registrations so far, the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is headed for what right now appears to be yet

another record year for participation.

So far, Australia has the most registrations followed by the United States and Germany. With many other nations represented. Among the new ones are Austria, Chile, China, Curacao, Gibraltar, Honduras, Island of Man, Italy, Northern Ireland, Romania, Spain, Sri Lanka, Switzerland and the Ukraine.

With only a few weeks to go, there is still time to register a lighthouse or lightship for the 48 hour fun event slated for August 18th and 19th. To do this, simply visit illw.net for online registration and guidelines of the popular unique event. (VK3PC)

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RADIOSPORTS: CQ TO REVAMP PUBLICATION SCHEDULE FOR CONTEST RESULTS

In contesting news, CQ magazine says that it will embark on a major reorganization of its editorial content in order to publish contest results significantly sooner. According to Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, on average, contest results will appear four months sooner than at present.

This change has been made possible by the fact that the majority of contest entrants submit their logs online along with advancements in technology for log-checking. Also assisting are the earlier log submission deadlines announced last month and advances in publishing technology.

The new schedule will be phased in over the course of 2013 and will be fully in place by 2014. A complete calendar of contest results issues for 2013 and 2014 will be posted on the CQ website at www dot cq-amateur-radio dot com. (CQ)

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DX

In DX, Bill Moore NC1L, the ARRL Awards Branch Manager has announced that the 2012 H44UD operation from the Solomon Islands has been approved for DXCC credit. Cards for that operation may now be submitted.

On the air, listen out for HA9MDN who will be active stroke 9A from Vir Island. Operations will be on SSB, RTTY and SSTV. QSL to HA9MDN via the Bureau or using eQSL.

JH1DVG will be active as V63JX from Pohnpei Island between November 23-26th. His operations will be on 40 through 10 meters using various modes. QSL to his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Three operators will be on the air from Praslin Island between October 21st and November 4th. Their activity will be holiday style on 80 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL S79LC via I5IHE direct

only. QSL S79YY via I5OYY direct with an SASE or electronically using Logbook of the World. QSL's for S79XX go via IK5RUN, also direct with an SASE or using Logbook of the World.

Lastly, JA1XGI will be active as V63XG from Yap Island between December 5th to the 12th. His activity will probably be on 20 through 6 meters using mainly CW, with some SSB and Digital modes. QSO's will be uploaded to Logbook of the World as soon as possible. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the bureau.

Above from various DX sources

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE CASE OF THE VANISHED VENTURA CALIFORNIA UNLICENSED BRIADCAST STATION

And finally this week the story of the vanishing unlicensed broadcaster in the city of Ventura, California. Did he get scared off the air or did he simply get tired of playing a want-to-be broadcaster, Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has what we know about this interesting here and gone station:

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Actually, what we know comes by way of Bob Gonsett, W6VR, and his CGC Communicator broadcast industry electronic newsletter. According to Bob, this past July 11th a complaint was filed with the FCC field office in Los Angeles concerning a n unlicensed station on 89.7 MHz reportedly operating from Channel Drive in the coastal city of Ventura, California. The station referred to itself as "KSSR... The People's Radio." It even had its own business card and Website.

But on July 25th the CGC Communicator received word that the station had vanished from the airwaves and has shut down their Website. In fact the last Web update was reported on July 24th and said - quote --"It was nice while it lasted."

According to the CGC Communicator, one of the people involved with the complaint isn't sure if the FCC paid the station a visit, or if the broadcaster saw his vehicle pass by in front of the alleged station location with an antenna in the middle of the vehicle roof and decided to shut it down before the FCC showed up. Either way, the unlicensed broadcaster is gone, at least for now.

So where does this all lead? According to the CGC Newsletter, for many the temptation to find such an unlicensed station is almost overwhelming. It is something most can do with simple direction finding equipment. That's fine if it can be done secretly. The problem with obvious and overt DFing is that the unlicensed station may shut down prematurely only to surface again elsewhere.

The CGC Communicator says that in dealing with unlicensed broadcasters that there is a definite advantage in letting the FCC handle these

cases from start to finish. The CGC Communicator notes that once a federal case is opened, the unlicensed station is more likely to stay off the air and that means a lot less work for everyone involved.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, not all that far from Ventura in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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By the way, according to Bob Gonsett, W6VR, the real KSSR-FM is located in the city of Santa Rosa, California and operates on 95.9 MHz. (CGC Communicator)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1410. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 3 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-03 11:08:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340a01c1b02e04c65a8b6b@google.com>
Source record: 2327
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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UK HF Propagation charts for August 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/exD0-PX4V8s/propagation_charts_august.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve G0KYA has published his UK HF propagation charts for August 2012.
Steve has also produced a very informative e-book about HF propagation
which is free to download

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Radio Ham elected Serbian Prime Minister

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x93JwhMHJWw/radio_ham_elected_serbian_prime_minister.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL reports that former Serbian Internal Affairs Minister Ivica Dačić,
YU1YU, was elected as that country’s newest Prime Minister on July 27

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Morse Code features on SciByte show

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0F2IfbTTUHw/morse_code_features_on_scibyte_show.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Episode 56 of the weekly SciByte broadcast features Morse Code, the Red
Bull Stratos mission and a Spacecraft update

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GB2EIJ Essex International Jamboree

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KSJCV19YxyA/gb2eij_essex_international_jamboree.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Essex International Jamboree with amateur radio station GB2EIJ takes
place near Chelmsford in Essex August 18-25 and they will also have their
own broadcast station

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Canadian call sign search RAC web site

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BiiSCmliYYs/canadian_call_sign_search_rac_web_site.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over the past several months there have been a number of issues with
regard to the 'Canadian Call Sign Quick Search' which is available on the
main page of the RAC website

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Writtle Calling celebrates 90th anniversary of 2MT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GlWq_X4Uh1A/writtle_calling_celebrates_90th_anniversary_of_2mt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On the 90th anniversary of the start of regular broadcasting by 2MT
Writtle, the communications regulator Ofcom have issued an RSL licence to
broadcast station Writtle Calling on 87.7 MHz FM

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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NASA astronaut spins discs from space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CLPoyea0cZc/nasa_astronaut_spins_discs_from_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA astronaut Joe Acaba will host a two-hour special radio broadcast on
the Internet radio station Third Rock Radio while aboard the International
Space Station, 306 kilometres above Earth

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Norm Rashleigh VE3LC to represent RAC on CITIG

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BV5V7_irjE4/norm_rashleigh_ve3lc_on_citig.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Recently, CITIG (Canadian Interoperability Technology Interest Group)
invited the Radio Amateurs of Canada, as a member group, to appoint a
representative to the 700 Mhz definition working group

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Warrington Amateur Radio Club hits the airwaves

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B69mx08NfZY/warrington_amateur_radio_cl

ub_hits_the_airwaves.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Warrington Guardian newspaper reports that GB2012MV is on the air for the 2012 Games

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

1411. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 5 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-03 12:07:58 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <3ecefcac-b1b6-416b-8791-9e3d9583eb74@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2328
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-08-05.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - August 5 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 5 2012.

ALARA CONTEST reminder

ircDDB DStar-net Wednesdays 19:30 AEST on DCS014B

WIA RD Contest latest

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 05 2012.

Hello, I'm Peter Ellis VK1PE, host for the opening speeches of the annual
Remembrance Day Contest next weekend. I have again asked a senior serving
Defence officer to give the opening keynote speech.

His biography reads like a world map. He is a civil engineer, who has:

Seen military service in Bosnia, Timor Leste, Tonga, PNG and Afghanistan;
Had United Nations service as a civilian in Niger (West Africa); and
He has commanded the 3rd Combat Engineer Regiment based in Townsville.
and... in January 2013 he takes over as the Defence Attach in the
Australian Embassy in Paris, France.

Here is a snippet from the speech.

SPEAKER:
I wish to acknowledge the five Australian soldiers who have been killed in Afghanistan since the last RD Contest:

Private Matthew Lambert (2RAR),
Captain Bryce Duffy (4Rgt, RAA),
Corporal Ashley Birt (6 Eng Spt Rgt),
Lance Corporal Luke Gavin (2RAR), and
Sergeant Blaine Diddams (SASR).

VK1PE:
So, please listen for the opening speech in the 20 minutes before the RD Contest opens at 0300 UTC, Saturday 11 August 2012.

Over to you.

Peter
VK1PE

WIA RD OPENING ADDRESS AUDIO AVAILABLE FROM 1000 UTC WEDNESDAY AUGUST 8 2012

You will find it on the WIA RD Page along with the rules for 2012.
http://wia.org.au/members/contests/rdcontest/

Also on the WIA Home page from Wednesday Evening in association with any last minute updates/news about the 2012 RD.
http://wia.org.au

MOST IMPORTANT:-
The start time of the RD is earlier this year, hence you will need to play this special program at exactly 0240 UTC Saturday 11 August 2012

"Good Luck In The Contest!"

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ON AIR CONTEST COLUMN - D A T E L I N E 2012

Hello, this is Alan, VK4SN, RD Contest Manager.

Remember to keep August 11th and 12th free for the RD contest.
This year, a new start and finish time of 0300z applies.
That's 1PM eastern Australian Time.

Trophy donors have come forth to sponsor some sections of the contest.
These include

1. South Pacific Contest club - Multi-multi section
2. CW Operators QRP Club - Highest scoring QRP station
3. VK Classifieds - Highest scoring individual
4. VKham - Highest Scoring rookie.
5. Contest Director, Trent VK4TS - Highest scoring team.

Thank you for supporting Australia's Premier contest.

Sincere thanks to participating software writers, Mike VK3AVV for his VKCL Logger, and John Drew VK5DJ for his RD logger, and Deane VK3TX for his Cabrillo log checker. All have liaised closely with me regarding the new rules

and Cabrillo template, to help bring smarter logging and log checking in to our modern times.

If you wish to form a team, remember to email the contest manager with your selected team members . All info can be found in the rules.

Hoping to make contact with you in the contest. Good luck to everyone.

73 This is Alan, VK4SN

"Hi, this is Lesley, VK5LOL, the Alara Contest Manager. The 32nd Alara Contest is on the last weekend of this month, Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th from 0400 UTC to 1359 UTC each day; that is 0400 UTC to 1359 UTC each day. Details are on the ALARA website. This is where OMs can talk to lots of YLs. Don't disappoint them girls! Look forward to hearing you all on air, Lesley VK5LOL."

Again the RD date is August 11-12, ALARA August 25-26

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

When people think of DXpeditions, they think of operators under palm trees on exotic islands with the world of amateur radio enthusiasts trying to talk to them.

While this is where every DXpedition tries to get to, there is a LOT of work that has to happen before this is possible!

ED VK2ARE, Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR gives us a great insight in this report.

"Months or even years before, the event planning starts and permits are requested, equipment assembled and transport both of equipment and operators arranged.

Accommodation organised and all red-tape worked through. All of this requires a lot of work from the organisers and also requires finance in the form of contributions from those taking part in the event and from sponsors. Without sponsors no DXpedition can take place and the ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island on November 28 to December 9 this year is no exception.

This DXpedition is rightly being billed as one of the most important DXpeditions in 2012 and the HARAOA is very happy to announce that many of the sponsors that supported earlier DXpeditions are helping again with ZL9HR. It is hoped that there will be additional sponsors "signing up" over the next few weeks, but we would like to thank those who have already committed to support the DXpedition.

Commercial sponsors:
RF Solutions
Spiderbeam

Club & Organisations;
British Colombia & Northwest Washington - ORCA DX & Contest club
Danish DX Group

German DX Foundation.
Lone Star DX Association.
Long Island DX Association.
Mediterraneo DX Club.
Northern Illinois DX Association.

There are also currently 24 individuals who are sponsoring the event.

For the complete up-to-date list please refer to
ZL9HR.COM

The survey on the website is also getting a good response with keen DX-ers
who are looking to get ZL9 on a particular band and mode to move towards a
DXCC or other award voting for their preferences. Please don't miss out if
you haven't already placed your vote please do so.

73 From ED VK2ARE, Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR and member of the
Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia."

For those that missed the recent 9 M 0 L DXpedition to Spratly Island there
is another opportunity coming up to work this quite rare DXCC entity.
>From 7 - 13 August 2 operators will be active from Spratly using the callsign
9M4SLL. They will be on 80 - 10m using CW, SSB and RTTY.
QSL manager is M0URX.

A group of operators from Switzerland known as the Radio 7 Team will be
active from Rodrigues Island as 3 B 9 SP from between October 16 and 23.
Most operation will be on CW and SSB with some RTTY and PSK 31.
QSL via HB9ACA.

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria
several special stations are active until the end of 2012.
Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and
7Y50I.

E I 25 D B Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.
To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB will be aired
between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013.
QSL to EI 9 HQ or LOTW

The team who were so "bad" at Cape Liptrap last August have decided to be bad
again! VK3BAD that is. At the end of August a 20 strong team will travel
into the Otway Ranges. The Station will operate on most HF frequencies 160 - 10mtrs
and on 6 and 2 metres and 70cm with contact to the Melbourne Area via the
Geelong 2 mtr repeater.

So please listen out for VK3BAD on 31st August through until September 3rd.

Further details on QRZ.com under VK3BAD

Prefix hunters, remember Croatia is marking their 20th Anniversary of the
allocation of the 9A prefix. Operators there are now permitted to insert the
figures '20' into their callsigns.

For example 9A2AA will become 9A202AA, 9A1MM becomes 9A201MM etc.

These prefixes are available throughout 2012.

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Temotu Province H 40 FN between December 22nd and January 7th of 2013.
QSL H 40 FN via HA8DD.

Morocco CN 2 YZ through years end from the city of Tangier especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site with a log-check.
It's in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

GB 0 TLR Railways on the Air
Southgate Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event station for the Railways on the Air event on 22nd and 23rd of September.

Some special event call signs will be activated to celebrate the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games:
2O12L from London, England and 2O12W from Barry, Wales.
Both stations will be on-the-air for the duration of the Games

PT0S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks
The DXpedition will take place in late November to mid-December.
The actual dates will depend on weather conditions.

There had been an official ban on Amateur Radio activities from PY 0 S.
Although the ban, which was created for environmental and safety reasons, remains in place, a special permit by Brazil's S.E.C.I.R.M.
the Brazilian Navy, Ministry of Environment and LABRE to conduct a two week long operation.

(southgate)

AWARDS

Chris Carroll, VK1GG has been appointed as a QSL Card Checker for the VK1, VK2 Region in the WIA Awards Programme.

Chris can be contacted at vk1gg@wia.org.au

You will need to fill out and then print the Awards Application form from wia.org.au then send your cards and completed form to Chris to be checked who will then sign your Application Form and forward it on to the WIA Awards Committee so that your Certificate can be processed and sent to you.

If there are any questions regarding any aspect of the WIA Awards Programme please contact Chris, vk1gg@wia.org.au

(sourced to crarc news letter)

AUSTRALIAN NEWS FROM THE WIA

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Hefty fine for hoax mayday caller

A Tasmanian (VK7) man who made hoax mayday calls has been ordered to pay the Australian Maritime Safety Authority $30,000 for sparking a major air and sea search.

In April 2011, Damien Goodluck made two hoax calls on marine radio indicating a fisherman was in trouble off Bruny Island.

The Magistrate's Court heard the 30-year-old was under stress at the time, suffering from the breakdown of his relationship with his mother and the loss of his father.

The court also heard that he suffered from limited intellectual capabilities.

Magistrate Olivia McTaggart ordered Goodluck to do 140 hours of community service and set a good behaviour period of 18 months.

Randolph Wierenga from the Police Association of Tasmania says the sentence should serve as a deterrent.

"You're talking about police officers, you're talking about significant physical resources to go out and respond to calls like this and they have to be treated seriously and when people needlessly make these calls then the full penalty of the law should apply," he said.

abc.net.au/news/2012-07-24/hoax-caller-fined-for-sparking-search/4151380?section=tas

(Sourced from the ABC News Website)

Spam-not in our backyard

Sophos's international spam-relay rankings indicate that Australia's ranking has markedly improved from 25th in September 2011 to 52nd in the most recent quarter, with Australia accounting for only 0.26 per cent of spam globally.

Spam is a global problem, said ACMA Chairman Chris Chapman. 'But you can't deny the success we have had in Australia. With the ACMA's record in penalising scammers and getting businesses to avoid spamming, as well as world class Australian Internet Security Initiative, we are streets ahead of many other parts of the world.

'In 2011-12, the ACMA saw a sixfold increase in spam reports,' Mr Chapman added. 'This massive increase tells us that our awareness activities have worked. Australians know to "Ignore it; Report it; and Delete it" as our consumer slogan says. Every scam email and SMS reported to us is a message that doesn't potentially catch out an Australian.'

In the last financial year, the ACMA gave 4,200 informal warnings to businesses about potential breaches of Australia's spam laws.

THERE'S A STAR ON VK4BJT'S HORIZON... A D-STAR

"Hello out there, I'm here to let you know that D-Star in Australia has entered a new level in its development, one that opens the way for it to become a more vibrant and reliable network inside Australia, and Internationally.

This has been made possible with the introduction of the ircDDB network.

The ircDDB network is an open and responsive network that promotes the use of both Icom and non-Icom repeaters, and other hardware.

A new D-Star DCS Reflector has been commissioned in Australia. Located in Sydney, and administered from the Gold Coast, this reflector will cover not only Australia, but most likely Oceania. With its 26 modules and other technical advances, it is a vast improvement on the existing reflectors, and it will be actively maintained in order to provide a dependable and responsive foundation on which to base D-Star communications.

We hope many of you out there will dust off your Icom D-Star transceivers and dongles, and meet us on the ircDDB DStar-net on Wednesdays 19:30 AEST on DCS014B.

If your local repeater is not ircDDB enabled, we urge you to contact your repeater administrator and discuss options for expanding access to the D-Star network.

Any queries join the Yahoo group called DCS014, which is an uncensored and unmoderated forum.

I'm John VK4BJT President of the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Society, C U on DStar."

VK1

CRARC
Next Meeting is August General Meeting, Wednesday 22nd 7.30 PM.
Ash Clark, VK3SSB will be Presenting: Remoting your Radio with RemoteRig.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

THIS AFTERNOON SUNDAY - SARC COMMITTEE MEETING, 1400K
Come along, have your say, SARCFEST preparations.
Find out how you can assist make it a great day.
plus - DEMO of H.HERTZ 1887 ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES EXPERIMENT.
A demo of 'Old Sparky' and Hertz's experiment.
1300K Sunday is it, before the Committee Meeting.
It took him three years, you'll get it in one hour. A little of it anyway.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Interesting speaker meetings

In response to the interest shown to the Council of Amateur Radio Victoria, it has introduced quarterly meetings where members can come along and listen to expert speakers on various topics.

The first meeting is on Tuesday August the 14th with popular presenter Mark Tell, from the ACMA.

Support the speaker meeting by turning up at 8pm on the night at 40g Victory Boulevard, Ashburton.

Other speaker nights will be in November, during next year's Centre Victoria RadioFest, and at the Annual General Meeting in May.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

TARC Member Subs time

To all TARCadians, a timely reminder that your member subs for 2012/2013 needed to be paid by the 30th June 2012.

Get on it right away and contact Treasurer Bob VK4AAH if you are having any problems paying.

Bob can be contacted on telephone 07-47880939 a/h

Now from the Sunshine Coast VK4VP

Sunfest - Its on again for 2012

Its getting close to Sunfest time again, this year the date is September 8 and it's in the usual spot as the past few years at the Woombye School of Arts building in the main street of Woombye starting from 09:00.

The usual tables of equipment will be there along with great food and friendship.

Tables are $20 each and that gets you two entry tickets and general entry is a low $5 each. There will be signage and a call in on the linked repeaters of 146.825 and 146.850.

For more information or to book a table contact the Sunfest Coordinator Glenn VK4FSCC on 07 5437 2183, 0415 662 577 or email sunfest@vk4wis.org

We hope to see you there

F-Troop is a weekly net that has been running since June 2011. During that time we've had over 350 contacts with amateurs across VK6. F-troop is intended for new and returning hams and it's a place to get your feet wet in a place where other amateurs are happy to help newly licensed amateurs get on-air and participate. F-troop is run as a "spoke and hub" net, which means

that you only need to remember two callsigns, yours and that of the host, which at the moment is mostly me, though over the past year several others have kindly hosted the net in my absence and I expect that to continue, to the point where anyone who wants to have a go at hosting a net can do so, the more the merrier.

F-troop runs for about an hour every Saturday morning at 08:00 WST, or midnight UTC and as of two weeks ago you don't need to be in range of the VK6RAP repeater in Roleystone in Western Australia to participate. Thanks to the work of Ronald VK6XS and the conference run by Tony VK3JED, we now can announce that F-troop is also available via EchoLink and IRLP.

To participate, you need to either connect your local repeater to the 9558 IRLP node, or connect to the VK3JED EchoLink conference. If you're unsure how to do that, the details can be found online at the club website of the Hills Amateur Radio Group

harg.org.au

So, next week you'll be able to check-in and say hi to other amateurs. I should point out that this is not a net exclusively for Foundation calls, anyone who is interested in welcoming new and returning hams is encouraged to participate.

Those details again, it's the 9558 IRLP node or the VK3JED EchoLink conference. F-troop runs for about an hour every Saturday morning at 08:00 WST, or midnight UTC.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

HEATHKIT DECLARES BANKRUPTCY, CLOSES FOR GOOD (AGAIN)

Heathkit employed more than 1800 people in its heyday after World War II.

When it finally closed, its workforce totalled fewer than six people.

This is the second time since 1992 that Heathkit Educational Services has shuttered its doors. In August 2011, Heathkit announced it was returning to the kit building business, and in September, that it would once again be manufacturing Amateur Radio kits.

But it was not to be!

Read more here
www.arrl.org/news/heathkit-declares-bankruptcy-closes-for-good-again

THE SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AMENDMENT BILL

The Department of Communications is planning to create another body next to ICASA to take over spectrum management. One of the many changes proposed in the Electronic Communications Amendment Bill, 2012 is the establishment of a Spectrum Management Agency within the portfolio of the Minister of

Communications with the overall responsibility for the country's spectrum as contemplated in the White paper on Broadcasting Policy, 1998.

The explanatory document addendum to the bill states that the Minister of Communications acts as the custodian of the spectrum on behalf of the people of South Africa. It further states that the Minister represents South Africa in the ITU. This includes allocation of the radio frequency spectrum to various radio communication services, like amateur radio.

Android phones hijacked via 13.560 MHz radio

The BBC report that a skilled hacker has shown how to hijack a smartphone via a short-range radio technology known as Near Field Communication (NFC).

NFC operates in the short wave band using a frequency of 13.560 MHz

Read the BBC report at the web address shown in today's text edition wia.org.au

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-19010945

Olympic Flagship stations on air

Both of the Two Oscar Olympic Flagship Special Event Stations are now up and running.

You can follow the progress of Two Oscar Twelve L in London on Twitter, with tweets showing new countries worked and the number of stations in the log;

Two Oscar Twelve W in Wales also has a Twitter feed.

Details can be found on their websites, just search for the callsigns 2 Oscar 12L and 2 Oscar 12W.

A number of other special event stations are celebrating the Olympics.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

FISTS at the Ham Fair

The JARL Ham Fair will be again at Tokyo Big Sight, Ariake, Tokyo on August 25 and 26.

Last year it involved about 32,000 over the two days with many visitors, manufacturers, retailers, clubs and volunteers.

Among the many there will be FISTS volunteers at the exhibit on the FIST East Asia booth.

For all FISTS members there will be space to display your name, call sign, message and photo on a booth wall.

Please send a short message and face photo by August 18 0900 UTC to Sugi JK7UST, who is FISTS #7178.

His email address is jk7ust2012@osugi.net

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

New Russian Satellite RS-40

Was built by students and research staff of the Siberian State, Aerospace University and launched on July 28 and it's understood signals from RS-40 are on 435.365 MHz.

Appointment of KA 3 HDO as VP-Human Spaceflight Programs.

AMSAT-NA President Barry Baines has announced effective August 1, Frank Bauer, KA 3 HDO, will be returning as AMSAT's Vice President for Human Spaceflight Programs.

This role will include AMSAT's leadership on the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Program and amateur radio pursuits on other Human Spaceflight vehicles proposed by NASA, International Space Agencies and domestic and international commercial spaceflight organizations.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- IOTA
http://rsgbiota.org

International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend

ILLW, IOTA and Tasman Island

Mike VK7FB lets us know that as far as he knows, there has been no amateur HF activity on Tasman Island since 1969 when Anne, then VK7LY, and Mike, VK7FB, lived in the number 3 quarters.

>From the 18th until the 25th of August, Anne, now VK7BYL, and Mike will be out there again as part of the "Friends of Tasman Island" maintenance visit, coinciding with the ILLW.

Power will be provided by a portable generator.

Mike and Anne will be accommodated in the same house, number 3, and will probably have the gear in the same room as before!

For those who collect numbers, the locator is QE46AS, the ILLW number is AU0101 and the IOTA number is OC-233.

http://illw.net/

(73, Mike, VK7FB)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

ILLW continues toward another record year

With around 370 registrations for the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, there will be plenty of on air activity for this 48 hour fun event.

North, Central and South America have 80 stations registered. In the USA alone there are more than 55 stations.

For the United Kingdom a total of 45 registrations have been received and in Europe many more are to be worked.

Nearly 70 have been received from Australia and New Zealand. There are stations in Asia, Russia, South Africa and lots more locations.

No matter where you are there will be plenty to work. Most issue special QSL cards.

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is on August the 18th and 19th. Visit the website ILLW.NET for an online registration and explore it for more details.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP --- NAVAL

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society in the UK has organised a social event in Coventry. It will take place on Friday 14th, Saturday 15th and Sunday 16 September.

A special event callsign GB 0 CGT has been issued

For details see the Society web site: rnars.org.uk

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- QRP and WEAK SIGNAL COMMUNICATION

The Russian QRP Club is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year and is using the callsign R 10 QRP during August.

Listen out for R 10 QRP from the RU QRP Rally which started last Thursday and runs till today, Sunday 5th August.

The rally is a 4 day camp on the banks of the River Ugra, around 200 miles SE of Moscow

(http://goo.gl/maps/4kOKS)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

RAOTC August REMINDER.

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW. Tomorrow Monday August 6th is the first Monday of the month and that means it's time once again for the RAOTC bulletin.

The principal HF transmissions can be heard on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz USB at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for Eastern states listeners, and again at 0200 beamed West for Western Australia.

During tomorrow numerous local relays will also take place on various VHF and lower HF frequencies. To find a frequency and time for your area, please visit the RAOTC website at www.raotc.org.au

Everyone, RAOTC members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half hour of Old Timer news, stories and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday August 6th.

73 from Clive VK6CSW

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

AUG 5 VK6 NCRG HAMFEST Cyril Jackson Rec Centre Ashfield on today.

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore.

AUG 25 VK4 50 YEARS OF IPSWICH AR CLUB DINNER ITC

AUG 26 VK2 Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club WinterFest.

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize
their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to
active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia
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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1412. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 3 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-03 16:03:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e84f837f11304c65eaca9@google.com>
Source record: 2329
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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RSGB Convention LOG4OM presentation

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 02:31 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356053-RSGB-Convention-LOG4OM-presentation&goto=newpost

There will be a presentation of the new LOG4OM free logbook program at the
RSGB Convention in October this year.

The presentation is scheduled for 11.15am on the Sunday and it will be
given by Terry Genes G4POP.

Topics to be covered will be...

Installation and use of the program for the everyday Ham

Integration with external software

Contest an DXPedition use

Presentation of new program features.

How to get the best from a logging program

Plus some exciting news about the future of this free logging program.

Terry G4POP

1413. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 3 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-03 16:49:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9bd961e3ce04c65f50e3@google.com>
Source record: 2330
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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All portable and special event stations please read

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 04:32 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356353-All-portable-and-special-event-stations-please-read&goto=newpost

I get several eqsl`s each month from stations who were portable/mobile or were using a special event call not their home station call but they send out eqsl with home call which I reject because it is not the call sign in my logbook you were using at the time we worked. Please guys create a linked account at eqsl & LOTW with your portable or special call sign. For eQSL log into your account go to the home page, my accounts, create new account (middle lower page). This new account will be linked to your home call sign.

LOTW has similar features for these situations I look forward to confirming our contacts with the correct call.

Thank you for reading post just wanted to get this off my chest.

73 GL WA4MIT

1414. HOT VIDEOS SEXY PHOTOS WATCH AND FREE DOWNLOAD 21,

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 00:55:20 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <40b4f761-b276-4b54-b1d4-c08564bd62b5@id7g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2331

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http://allinterviewsquestions.blogspot.in2009/02/sql-server-interview-questions.html
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http://allinterviewsquestions.blogspot.in/2009/02/dotnet-questions-3.html

1415. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 3 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 02:25:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8ff1c3bc39c16504c6675b08@google.com>
Source record: 2332
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Global Networking at the 2012 International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend
- TCPalm

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 09:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHaXIOy7ippEv4jrbTOsv61rEm1yg&url=http://www.tcpalm.com/news/2012/aug/03/global-networking-at-the-2012-international-lighth/

Global Networking at the 2012 International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend
TCPalm
Amateur Radio callsign, “W4J” will be tuning in fellow ham operators at other lighthouses and lightships all around the world to “Say Hello,” joined by Boy Scout troop 721 of Palm Beach Gardens. This event will also feature an educational tent with fun ...
Loop Head Lighthouse To Hit The Air WavesThe Clare Herald

all 5 news articles

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ARNewsline Report 1825 -- Aug 3 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 01:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHOKOGgkAVcerOdcxoaxR2oMRb3Xg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28722

ARNewsline Report 1825 -- Aug 3 2012:
eHam.net
And we will have more space related ham radio news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARISS). From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA3PBD ...

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N4KC publishes Amateur Radio book - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 01 Aug 2012 12:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHepnI8qXATotg-pkxJxxKNyOp5TQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/n4kc_publishes_amateur_radio_book.htm

N4KC publishes Amateur Radio book
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Prolific and best-selling author Don Keith has just published his 25th book and it is a unique blend of fact and fiction that pays tribute to the writers hobby of choice: amateur (ham) radio. RIDING THE SHORTWAVES:

EXPLORING THE MAGIC OF AMATEUR ...

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Press Release: Ham Radio Deluxe v5.24.28 Release: - eHam.net

Posted: 30 Jul 2012 11:56 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHuGUChNXFHDSh1VgMYA3PXI_jPdQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28698

Press Release: Ham Radio Deluxe v5.24.28 Release:
eHam.net
eHam.net - Amateur Radio (Ham Radio) Community ... HRD Software, LLC
announces the release of Ham Radio Deluxe 5.24.28 at
http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com. Mike Carper, WA9PIE, said, “Weve doubled
the number of testers and the results reflect the ...

1416. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-044E - Conference Cancellation: Edmonton, Alberta,August 10,11,12.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 05:25:08 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <501CB1B8.5020103@rac.ca>
Source record: 2333
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-044E - Conference Cancellation: Edmonton, Alberta, August 10,11,12.
2012-08-03

The organizers of the Conference that was to be held at the Concordia University College in Edmonton, Alberta, on 10, 11, 12 August 2012 have advised RAC that the Conference has been cancelled.

RAC wishes to thank the organizers for their hard work in preparing for that conference and regrets the need for the cancellation. RAC understands that those persons who have registered are in the process of having their registration fee refunded and that the Conference Organizing Committee will be contacting registrants directly. If you do not hear from the Organizers then you may wish to contact them by email at :convention2012@rac.ca <mailto:convention2012@rac.ca>or telephone 780-466-5779.

Linda Friars, VE9GLF
RAC Acting Corporate Secretary

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1417. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 4 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 06:20:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf300e4f67ea438a04c66aa26d@google.com>
Source record: 2334
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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HAM RADIO AUCTION November 23, 2012

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 11:20 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356325-HAM-RADIO-AUCTION-November-23-2012&goto=newpost

Friday after Thanksgiving

November 23, 2012.

Doors open at 5:30pm for sellers. 6:00pm for BuyersProceedings start at 7:00pm promptly.What to expect: Lots of laughter and good deals.

What to bring: Anything Amateur Radio related. Cash to buy a few items.SPECIAL AUCTION ANNOUNCEMENTKJI ELECTRONICSYOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AMATEUR RADIO STORE(394 Bloomfield Ave, Caldwell, NJ 07006)IS COMING TO THE FAIR LAWN RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE AUCTION(Formally The Fair Lawn Amateur Radio Club)Refreshments will be available. Telephone 201-791-3841 and leave your name, number and a short message

E-Mail: w2npt@arrl.net or fairlawnres@yahoo.com . We will get back to you ASAP.

Talk in 145.470- PL 107.2Location: Fair Lawn Senior Center, Located at 11-05 Gardiner Road, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410For maps and directions go to www.flres.net Click on AUCTION on LEFT side bar

1418. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 4 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 11:07:17 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303a317f76fdd304c66ea518@google.com>
Source record: 2335
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Record year for the ILLW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EHD5MgbM7b0/record_year_for_the_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With less than two weeks to go, the International Lighthouse and Lightship
Weekend has already exceeded last year's total of 470 registrations in its
15th year and is heading for a new record

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Amateur Radio CubeSat launch postponed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IbUIcipCegU/amateur_radio_cubesat_launch_postponed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The launch of the amateur radio CubeSats on an Atlas 5 rocket from
Vandenberg Air Force Base has been postponed until at least Tuesday August
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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/d2OMmNtNNzw/propagation_forecast_31.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-31 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday August 03, 2012

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Analog stations still dominate

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Cos6eSfvcEY/analog_stations_still_dominate.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Daily Mail newspaper reports that two thirds of radio listening is
still to AM or FM stations rather than Digital

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EMF 2012 Milton Keynes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bKM6Nlncwro/emf_2012_milton_keynes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A list of talks and workshops at the EMF 2012 event being held at Pineham Park, Milton Keynes August 31 - September 2 has been published

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6TlAhiIM2FY/031_august_04.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers this week were up over 47 points to 99.3. Average daily solar flux rose nearly 35 points to 131.7

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Radio Ham interviewed by KALW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kzcFkYWy5ns/radio_ham_interviewed_by_kalw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Broadcaster KALW interviewed Kristen McIntyre K6WX who first got interested in radio when she was just 5

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Conference cancellation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3cVkCsRQKEg/conference_cancellation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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RAC incoming QSL Bureau

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rYsSfgT44wk/rac_incoming_qsl_bureau.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following changes made to the RAC QSL Bureau system, RAC members are reminded that all VE/VA cards to VE/VA amateurs are to be sent to the RAC Incoming Bureau in Saint John, not to the Outgoing QSL Bureau

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8th APR Air/Internet Jamboree

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The 8th Asia Pacific Regional Air-Internet Jamboree, hosted by Korea Scout Association (KSA), takes place August 4-5, 2012 in conjunction with the 13th Korea National Scout Jamboree

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Morse Classes at Danbury Essex

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FHnKo9jDqT0/morse_classes_at_danbury_essex.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding Morse Code classes at Danbury starting Thursday, August 30, 2012

1419. SARL News in English 4/8/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 15:48:58 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <9E2F33F540DC4DEDA87E3E7AD892AE0E@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2336
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 5 AUGUST 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on "Amateur Radio Today" and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 MHz FM from Pretoria with relays on 7 066 and 3 695 kHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that we have to announce that the key of Clive Bean, ZS6AVP, went silent on Wednesday morning at 06:45 after a long struggle with cancer.

Our sincerest condolences to his relatives and many friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN GAUTENG ON 18 AUGUST

A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING WRC 2015

SARL HF CONTEST

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these items and other important and interesting items.

BOOK NOW FOR THE RTA IN GAUTENG ON 18 AUGUST

Bookings have opened for the Radio Technology in Action Symposium to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre on Saturday 18 August. Full details of the symposium are available on line at www.sarl.org.za. Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, joins the RTA team on 18 August with a presentation about RaDAR, Rapid Deployed Amateur Radio. It is a fun presentation with hints and kinks how to fun from outdoor amateur radio.

If you pre book you will automatically take part in a prize draw for the ARRL Book "Basic Antennas". If you like a programme to be sent to your inbox send an email to rta@sarl.org.za with RTA NARC in the subject line and a PDF copy will be mailed to you.

A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING WRC 2015

A proposed permanent secondary allocation to the amateur service at or near 5 MHz is among the agenda items for the World Radio Communication Conference in 2015.

There are numerous items on the 2015 World Radio Communications meeting agenda, as spelled out at the end of the recently concluded 2012 conference. One is the proposal for a possible new allocation to the amateur service on a secondary basis within the band 5,250 to 5,450 MHz. The International Amateur Radio Union has described such an allocation as being among the best for radio amateurs to use to provide around the clock emergency communications. So far, little has been heard in public in the way of objections.

The SARL has applied for a license for pilot operation on 5 MHz for propagation experimentation purposes. ICASA recently told the SARL that the agency is looking at suitable frequencies and expects to make a decision soon.

DO YOU HAVE BACK COPIES OF RADIO ZS?

The SARL is in the process of binding Radio ZS in book form but has some copies missing. If you have, and can spare the following editions, please contact Francois, ZS6BUU, on 011 679 5260

2003 Mar/Apr, May/Jun, Jul/Aug, Sep/Oct 2004 Jan/Feb. Mar/Apr, May/Jun 2009 Sep/Oct, Nov/Dec 2010 Sep/Oct, Nov/Dec 2011 May/Jun, Jul/Aug.

SARL HF CONTEST

The SARL HF Contest will take place today from 15:00 to 18:30 CAT. Get the full details in the SARL Update mailed to your inbox a few days ago or visit www.sarl.org.za.

Besides the certificate and trophies there are some additional prizes to be won. The winner will receive a 2012 ARRL Handbook. All logs will be entered into the lucky draw of an ARRL book "Basic Antennas". There is also a best shack photograph competition. Send in a high resolution photograph of you operating in your shack and you will go into the draw for an ARRL Antenna Book. Send the picture to saardt@intekom.co.za.

SWAINS ISLAND DXPEDITION

Barry, ZS1FJ, reported to SARL News that he is a team member of the Swains Island DXpedition from 5 - 19 September. There are 20 operators, 16 American, 1 Swede, 2 Germans and 1 South African. Swains Island is very rare and is no 30 on the world's most wanted list.

It is important that ZS stations who want to work KH8S should inform Barry of the beam headings from that part of the Pacific to ZS. The team has a target of 300 QSOs worked per hour! Barry also requires the times of the day in UTC time when you would expect to hear KH8S. This is vital. Contact Barry by email to bf207@starhub.net.sg.

The team will fly from Honolulu to Pago Pago in American Samoa and then sail on a chartered boat for a 24 hour trip to Swains Island. There is no communication whatsoever. They will operate there with seven stations. After that, the boat picks up the team and returns to Pago Pago and they fly back to Honolulu. The team will be in tents and have two cooks who come with from Pago Pago.

Barry says he is taking a South African flag for ZS1FJ and a Singapore flag for his 9V1FJ call.

Logs are uploaded daily by satellite. If you have a PC system with Clublog, you will see the picture and name of the operator. The DXpedition website is www.nh8s.org.

IVICA CVETKOVIC, YU1YU, ELECTED PRIME MINISTER OF SERBIA

Former Serbian Internal Affairs Minister Ivica Dacic;, YU1YU, was elected as that country's newest Prime Minister on July 27. He succeeds Mirko Cvetkovic who served as Serbia's Prime Minister from 2008-2012. Dacic is the leader of the Socialist Party of Serbia; from 2008 until his election as Prime Minister, he served as First Deputy Prime Minister, as well as Minister of Internal Affairs. In March 2012, Serbia became a candidate for membership in the European Union (EU).

Dacic is a member of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (SRS), Serbia's IARU Member-Society and is said to be a member of his local club, YU1AAV. The club was founded in 1978 as one of nine sections of the Novi Beograd (New Belgrade) Amateur Radio Club, YU1FJK. According to its website, YU1AAV's primary goal has been to teach kids Morse code and Amateur Radio Direction Finding skills: "The 1990s brought us war, sanctions and social crises, but it also brought the good opportunity to move kids from the streets to learn ham radio. These were the years when the most kids from neighborhood finished the course to get their basic ham license."

Prior to his election as Prime Minister, Dačić served as the spokesman for the Socialist Party of Serbia (SPS) from 1992-2000; he has served as president of the SPS since December 2006. He holds a degree in political science from the University of Belgrade. Fluent in both Russian and English, Dacic is 46, married and the father of two children.

WIN A HUGE ARRANGEMENT OF FLOWERS IN THE YL SPRINT

To celebrate Woman's Day, the SARL is holding its annual YL Sprint on 9 August 2012 from 11:00 to 12:00 CAT. The logs from all YL participating in the event will be entered into the lucky draw for a beautiful flower arrangement to be delivered to the winner's home. To qualify please

include your home address in the log submission.

The exchange is a signal report and YL or OM. The sprint takes place in the 40-metre band, 7060 to 7100 and 7130 to 7200 kHz. Contacts between YL stations are worth 5 points. Contacts between YL and OM stations are worth 3 points and contacts between OM stations are worth 1 point.

Log sheets and summaries shall be submitted within 7 days after the contest, by e-mail to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or by mail to the Bloemfontein RAC, Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324.

Closing Date for Log Submission: 16 August 2012.

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR SUBSCRIPTION OF THE SARL?

If you have not yet renewed your subscription for the current year, please do so urgently to avoid loosing membership benefits. Invoices were mailed during June and were due for payment on 1 July. If you did not receive an invoice or have mislaid it, please call Mariska on Monday at 011 675 2393 or mail her at admin@sarl.org.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity will be at low to moderate levels. There are currently many sunspot regions visible but none are posing a threat for strong solar flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 95.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the higher solar activity.

For the afternoon's SARL SSB contest it will be best to start on 20 m as contacts between all the divisions will be possible. Later in the afternoon 40 m will be best before the day can be ended on 80 m.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

5 August - That is this afternoon, SARL HF competition, 13:00 to 16:30 UTC. 5 August - YL Sprint from 11:00 to 12:00 CAT. 15 August - ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AMENDMENT BILL, last date to send comments to the SARL by email to secretary@sarl.org.za. 16 August - Last day to submit logs for the YL Sprint to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or Bloemfontein RAC, Box 12104, Brandhof, 9324. 18 August - RTA in GAUTENG, pre-book now to also enter for an additional prize draw. 19 August - SARL HF digital competition. 26 August - SARL HF CW competition.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding

the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by Dick, ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening. 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1420. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 4 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 16:24:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5014cc17e8a2f04c6731246@google.com>
Source record: 2337
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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N6L@ Lassen Volcanic National Park KFF-049 WVA-09 Aug 6-13

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 08:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356530-N6L-Lassen-Volcanic-National-Park-KFF-049-WVA-09-Aug-6-13&goto=newpost

www.lassenbirthday.blogspot.com

Look for activity beginning on 20m & 17m SSB Mornings and Evenings PST.
Visit the website for qsl info, photos and video and updates. Hope to work
you, 73!

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U.S. Coast Guard Day...04 August 2012...K7IWH.

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 08:19 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356490-U-S-Coast-Guard-Day-04-August-2012-K7IWH&goto=newpost

K7IWH will host a special event on Saturday 04 August 2012 from 0001 to
2359 Pacific Day Light Savings Time (Uniform Time). Celebrating the 222nd
anniversary of the founding of the U.S. Coast Guard on

20 metres from 14,240 to 14,250 mHz, where ever a frequency is available.
If the band is too crowded we will move to 15 metres in the General Class
sub-band. All USCG affiliated stations please suffix your call with "stroke
Charlie Golf". Please note that operators will be taking breaks and may be
called away for other jobs. SWL reports are welcome. QSL via K7IWH. If your
station worked K7IWH/MM/R2 in the 1950s through the 1970s we hope to hear
from you again.

SEMPER PARATUS Tom, Wil and Dan.

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SN7H Contest Team Funpage

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 12:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356441-SN7H-Contest-Team-Funpage&goto=newpost

We are pleased to invite everyone to our funpage !!

http://www.facebook.com/sn7hcontestteam

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North GA Laryngitis Net frequency Change, Effective 8-9

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 06:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356360-North-GA-Laryngitis-Net-frequency-Change-Effective-8-9&goto=newpost

Hi Friends,

first, a Big thank you to all the Hams who have checked into the net, We've had a lot of fun, Lots of laughs and great information too. Due to "bumping heads" with other established Nets, We are going to QSY to 28.320 effective 8-9-2012. the Net will still be on thursday nights at 8 PM ET (Summer or winter so thats 0000 Winter, 0100 Summer UTC. We are still doing the "Door Prize" - that is, we randomly pull a name from the list we had that night 9 (if more than 7 check ins) We have given away DONATED stuff: a couple of 10 meter ham sticks and Mag mounts, rolls of Coax (RG6 and rg 11 mostly- Still great stuff for a dipole or Vetical, And our website is still at www.qsl.net/ngln.

We are in the planning stages of a Special event- Just got to find something special around here to blab about!

Hope to hear you on the net sometime soon! Nice bunch of Ladies and Guys. PLEASE CHECK IN!

73,

Drewski

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1421. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 4 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 16:42:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51b1e118a054c04c6735592@google.com>
Source record: 2338
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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RFinder The World Wide Repeater Driectory now supports iPad screens!

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 09:19 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356420-RFinder-The-World-Wide-Repeater-Driectory-now-supports-iPad-screens!&goto=newpost

For immediate release...

8/2/2012

From TI5/W2CYK at the foot of the Arenal Volcano, Costa Rica

After many requests from our users to support iPad screen formats, well,
you asked for it, you got it!

RFinder- The World Wide Repeater Directory's latest release in the App
Store now supports the iPad screen geometry fully, with rotation, etc.

RFinder already runs on iPhone and Android and http://web.rfinder.net. The
World Wide Repeater Directory is also accessible from RTSystems radio
programmers and via CHIRP on Windows, Linux and Macintosh with the same
user/password you use on handheld devices. Our goal is to have the WWRD
accessible from most pervasive platforms. To that end Windows Phone and
Symbian versions are in development and slated for release this fall. The
web version has been tested and works on Blackberry. RFinder web has
downloads for POI's for TPE and most major GPS's, including AvMap G5/G6,
the GPS for Amateur Radio Operators.

Android Pad format is now in development, look for it in September!

We have connected with the Frequency coordinators in Costa Rica while here
and the full set of repeater data for TIx will be online in the next few
weeks, adding yet another country to the WWRD.

73's de TI5/W2CYK (packing to go home after the YDXA Youth DXPedition which
we sponsor...support the youth of Amateur Radio!)

Here's how it looks in Shanghai!

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Attached Images

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IMG_0008.PNG
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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-31

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 04:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356395-NZ4O-MF-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-31&goto=newpost

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-31 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday August 03, 2012, valid 0000 UTC
Saturday August 04, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday August 10, 2012.

It can be found at

http://www.solarcycle24.org and http://www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1825 August 3 2012

Posted: 02 Aug 2012 09:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356380-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1825--August-3-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline□ Report 1825 □ August 3 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1825 with a release date of August 3rd
2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The United States prepares for W-R-C 2015, The FCC denies a request to create an emergency calling channel on 2 meters; South Africa□s hams wonder if a change in the nations regulatory structure will affect them; the European Union provides protection for hams in interference cases and a new 2 meter radio will soon be on its way to the International Space Station. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline□ report number 1825 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING WRC 2015

A proposed permanent secondary allocation to the amateur service at or near 5 MHz is among agenda items for the World Radiocommunication Conference in 2015. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

1422. eHam.net News for Saturday 4 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-04 22:33:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341001b69eda04c6783bf3@google.com>
Source record: 2339
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Loop Head Lighthouse to Hit the Air Waves:

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 06:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28745

Loop Head Lighthouse in County Clare will be amongst hundreds of lighthouses and lightships worldwide to participate in a unique event aimed at promoting public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for preservation and restoration. The Limerick Radio Club, comprising members from Limerick, Clare, Kerry and Tipperary, will broadcast non-stop for 48 hours from the West Clare Lighthouse on August 18-19th as part of the 15th International Lighthouse /Lightship Weekend (ILLW). During the broadcast, visitors to the lighthouse will be able to listen into communications with some of the other participating ham radio operators broadcasting from 400 other lighthouses and lightships in 50 countries. The annual event, which is conducted under the sponsorship of the Ayr Amateur Radio Group (AARG) in Scotland, is always held on the third full weekend in August starting at 0001 UTC on Saturday and finishing at 2359 UTC on Sunday. It also coincides on the Sunday with International Lighthouse Day, an event organised by the Association of Lighthouse Keepers whereby many world lighthouses are open to the public for the day.

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Warrington Amateur Radio Club Hits the Airwaves:

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 05:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28744

VOLUNTEERS from a radio club in Warrington has been preparing to broadcast across the world. Warrington Amateur Radio Club has been granted a special event licence and call sign from Ofcom to use throughout the London Olympics. GB2012MV (Manchester Venue) is one of only a select few commemorative call signs allocated for this historic event. Members of Warrington Amateur Radio Club, in partnership with West Manchester and South Manchester Radio Clubs, will be proudly representing the region with transmissions from all three club headquarters - including Grappenhall in Warrington. Operating started last Wednesday at 7am and will continue until the Paralympic closing ceremony on September 9.

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Global Networking at the 2012 International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend:

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 05:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28743

JUPITER -- Technology in our time races forward at lightning and sometimes frightening speed. But have you ever wondered what would happen if our communications technology failed on a local or global scale? It may seem like a question for science fiction fans but in a real disaster, the solution to communication already exists and is wonderfully preserved by small groups of dedicated Ham Radio Clubs and Lighthouse Stations. On Aug. 18 and 19, 2012, the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse and Museum will celebrate International Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend (ILLW) with two local Amateur Radio operating groups. The Jupiter-Tequesta Repeater Group (JTRG) and the Martin County Amateur Radio Association (MCARA) will be set up behind the Museum building from 9:30 a.m. on Saturday through 3 p.m. on Sunday with two radio stations. The public is invited to stop by and get on the air. Amateur Radio callsign, "W4J" will be tuning in fellow ham operators at other lighthouses and lightships all around the world to "Say Hello," joined by Boy Scout troop 721 of Palm Beach Gardens.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #31 de K7RA:

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 12:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28738

Average daily sunspot numbers this week were up over 47 points to 99.3. Average daily solar flux rose nearly 35 points to 131.7. Solar flux jumped from 139.8 on Tuesday, July 31 to 150.1 on Wednesday, August 1. Predicted solar flux is 135 on August 3-4, 130 on August 5-6, 125 on August 7-9, 130 on August 10-11, and 120 on August 12-13. Solar flux is expected to drop below 100 on August 16-21. Predicted planetary A index is 8 on August 3, 5 on August 4-19, 8 on August 20-21, 5 on August 22-23, then 8, 8, 12 and 8 on August 24-27.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-31:

Posted: 03 Aug 2012 12:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28726

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-31:

1423. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 4 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 02:07:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e311b21a904c67b3ac6@google.com>
Source record: 2340
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio CubeSat launch postponed - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 12:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNExv5VKsq6-2peX7fsD49clk1S-ow&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/amateur_radio_cubesat_launch_postponed.htm

Noozhawk
Amateur Radio CubeSat launch postponed
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The launch of the amateur radio CubeSats on an Atlas 5 rocket from Vandenberg Air Force Base has been postponed until at least Tuesday August 14. Space Flight Now report: The Atlas 5 rocket will remain anchored on its launch pad for the next couple of ...
CU-Boulders CubeSat satellite planned for Saturday launchColorado Daily

all 33 news articles

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Hamfest takes place in Vinton - WDBJ7

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 03:52 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEGL8En8u1HY8ZGkJBWDnhPHMW_mw&url=http://www.wdbj7.com/news/wdbj7-hamfest-takes-place-in-vinton-20120804,0,3004355.story

Hamfest takes place in Vinton
WDBJ7
Today amateur radio operators, also known as "hams", took part in "Hamfest" at William Byrd High School in Vinton. The event gives the ham radio enthusiasts a chance to buy part and accessories needed to operate their radios. Hamfest was sponsored by ...

1424. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 5 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 06:23:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d0322f88804c67ece46@google.com>
Source record: 2341
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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2012 St. Albans Amateur Radio Club Hamfest - Aug. 11th

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 08:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356525-2012-St-Albans-Amateur-Radio-Club-Hamfest-Aug-11th&goto=newpost

The St. Albans Amateur Radio Club is having their annual ham radio flea market, on Saturday, Aug. 11, at the VFW, at 353 Lake St., in St. Albans, VT. You do not need to be a licensed ham to attend. All are welcome. This is a 'Rain of Shine' event. See this: http://www.starc.org/hamfest/STARC_HAMFEST_INFO.html for more detailed information.

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South Jersey's Biggest Hamfest - Sept 16 - GCARC

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 07:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356522-South-Jersey-s-Biggest-Hamfest-Sept-16-GCARC&goto=newpost

Sunday Sept 16

Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club in Mullica Hill, NJ (W2MMD). South Jersey's biggest hamfest!

$6 admission - non-ham wives and kids under 16 are free

$10 tables (yours or ours) or table space up to 8ft under covered pavilions (does not include price of admission)

$5 tailgating per vehicle space up to 10ft in open grassy areas only (does not include price of admission). Tailgating under covered pavilions falls under "Table Rules" rates.

22 miles from Philadelphia

28 from Wilmington, DE

67 miles from Dover, DE

77 miles from Reading, PA

81 miles from Allentown, PA

91 miles from Baltimore

107 miles from NYC

125 miles from Harrisburg, PA

4-H Fairgrounds, 240 Bridgeton Pike (Route 77 South), Mullica Hill, NJ. Off of exit 2 on NJ Turnpike.

Map: http://maps.google.com/maps?q=240+Br...93.076172&z=16

Website: www.w2mmd.org

If you like a beautiful scenic drive, full of farmland, this is the place. Trust me. I grew up in Carteret, NJ and worked in the NYC/ northern NJ area til 2002.

1425. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 5 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 11:11:43 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec518687411c7d804c682d304@google.com>
Source record: 2342
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with the Canada Science and Technology Museum Summer Day Camps, Ottawa, ON, Canada

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4M_mzjd9Ii8/ariss_event_0908.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Canada Science and Technology Museum Summer Day Camps, Ottawa, ON, Canada on 09 Aug

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ZL9HR DXpedition receives ARRL Colvin award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sTYyCcsb3ms/zl9hr_dxpedition_receives_arrl_colvin_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The HARAOA ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island in the Great Southern Ocean is delighted to have been granted an award from the prestigious ARRL Colvin foundation

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Ham Radio music video

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Take a look at this new Ham Radio music video called 'Ham Shack Blues'

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Bath Foundation Course

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The dates have been set for the next amateur radio Foundation course in Bath

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A look at the upcoming WRC 2015

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2015.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A proposed permanent secondary allocation to the amateur service at or near
5 MHz is among the agenda items for the World Radio Communication
Conference in 2015

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Swains Island DXpedition

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Swains Island DXpedition takes place between 5 - 19 September. Swains
Island is very rare and is no 30 on the world's most wanted list

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Youngsters On The Air 2012 Belgium and The Netherlands

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During the summer of 2012, a youth radio camp will be held in Belgium,
organized by the UBA youth commission and Dutch radio amateurs

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fP1ihBIbJnY/august_05.htm?utm_source=fe
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Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity
will be at low to moderate levels. There are currently many sunspot regions
visible but none are posing a threat for strong solar flares

1426. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 5 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 16:13:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3033462f52000204c687099f@google.com>
Source record: 2343
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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FR/DJ7RJ Reunion Island

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 11:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356545-FR-DJ7RJ-Reunion-Island&goto=newpost

DJ7RJ will be active from Reunion Island 26 September - 21 October 2012 as
FR/DJ7RJ

He will pay special attention to the low bands for USA and JA

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...fr-dj7rj_2012/

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1427. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 5 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 16:21:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30426e0246413a04c68728dd@google.com>
Source record: 2344
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Record year for the ILLW

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356539-Record-year-for-the-ILLW&goto=newpost

Record year for the ILLW ?

With less than two weeks to go, the International Lighthouse
and Lightship Weekend continues to grow in its 15th year. The 48 hour fun
event has steadily grown from the 158 in its first year and most of those
early registrations continue to be involved.

In the United Kingdom there are 60, and half of those can be found in
England.

There are plenty throughout Europe including Germany on 52 and
The Netherlands 25.

North, Central and South America have more than 80 stations
registered with Argentina, Canada, Chile, Curacao, Honduras, Mexico,
Panama and Puerto Rico plus 55 in the USA.

Nearly 70 been received from Australia and New Zealand, South
Africa has 15 and no matter where you are there will be plenty to work.
Most issue special QSL cards.

The mainstream media continues to run the story.

The Clare Herald reports that the Loop Head Lighthouse in County Clare will
be on air courtesy the Limerick Radio Club EI0LHL. It will join others to
participate in promoting public awareness of lighthouses and lightships
and their need for preservation and restoration.

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is on August the 18th
and 19th.

Visit its website ILLW.NET to make an online registration, read the
guidelines and explore it for more details.

Jim Linton VK3PC

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RSGB (UK) statement on prEN50561-1 (Proposed in home BPL EMC standard)

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 10:00 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356536-RSGB-(UK)-statement-on-prEN50561-1-(Proposed-in-home-BPL-EMC-standard)&goto=newpost

www.rsgb.org/emc/docs/pdf/update-draft-plt-standard-pren50561-1.pdf

Update on draft PLT standard prEN50561-1

In 2011 a PLT EMC standard known as prEN 50561-1 was proposed by CENELEC. This proposed standard was rejected by a majority of the National Standards Committees (NCs) of the EU countries who approve all new standards. Many NCs made comments to help improve the draft and some comments questioned the very high radio pollution levels that would be permitted from PLT devices. Other comments would have helped to improve the test methodology. Usually in these situations

the CENELEC committee preparing the proposed standard would take note and make changes that reflect the comments with the aim of achieving full consensus of all stakeholders.

A revised version of the PLT standard is about to be circulated, to be voted on by the NCs. For all intents and purposes we believe it is identical in material terms to the previous rejected standard.

Many of the valuable and helpful comments from the NCs have essentially been ignored. Representatives of PLT manufacturers dominate the CENELEC Working Group 11 (WG11) that wrote the proposed standard. It is likely that PLT manufacturers have been aggressively lobbying members of the NCs to approve the standard as it would provide a legal basis for high PLT emission levels.

The EU Commission's EMC advisor, who is responsible for ensuring that all EU EMC standards comply with the EMC Directive, has stated that the proposed PLT standard does not meet the Essential Requirements of the EMC Directive and has notified CENELEC. However, CENELEC has decided to ignore the advice of the EU EMC advisor and continue with putting the proposed PLT standard out for voting by the NCs.

Should prEN 50561-1 be supported by the National Committees, it risks manufacturers of virtually any new device or product wanting to use the very high radio pollution levels allowed by prEN 50561-1, claiming it as a precedent. An example case would be the invertors used to connect solar cells to the grid where a proposed standard could allow emission levels similar to PLT but at all frequencies with no amateur band notches (a "notch" is a range of frequencies where the transmit power of the PLT device is reduced). Other products that could take advantage of this precedent include LED lighting.

In effect, the proposed PLT standard will make the provisions of the EMC Directive irrelevant. It's not just HF but higher radio frequencies that are at risk from what will be legally sanctioned pollution. Wireline services could also become victims, with new high speed DSL technologies such as G.fast facing issues due to PLT emissions being coupled from power cables to phone cables.

There is only a very short time window to take action to prevent what will be an EMC disaster. Many National Committees will vote early, due to the summer vacations. It is absolutely critical that anyone who values unpolluted radio spectrum urgently takes the following actions;

Contact your national amateur radio society and ask what it is doing.

Find out who is on your NC, contact them and explain the situation, it is important that they understand that the proposed PLT standard sets a precedent and its approval could lead to widespread spectrum pollution.

A list of NCs can be found at

www.cenelec.eu/dyn/www/f?p=104:5:43324536040578

Get the word out, forward this statement to your local message boards and radio clubs.

When you have a QSO ask other European amateurs if they have heard about this issue.There is a great deal of "disinformation" being spread by PLT lobbyists. Some of the statements that have been made are clarified below;

PLT claim: Notching will protect the Amateur Bands

Reality: The depth of the notch will depend on how linear the power network is. Resonances in cabling resulting in high voltage levels of PLT signals combined with non-linear components in devices such as switched mode power supplies, can lead to the notches "filling in" with "hash" noise which is difficult to identify as PLT.

PLT claim: Ratification of EN50561-1 will protect the Amateur Bands

Reality: In the same way that PLT manufacturers now flout EN55022 they will be able to flout EN50561-1. It is just that the motivation will be less - at least until the next scheme for increasing data rate comes along. The only aspects of the new Standard that can be verified in the field by National Enforcement Agencies (such as OFCOM in the UK) are the maximum transmit level and the positions of the Notching Band edges. Within the new Standard the maximum transmit level is set

at a higher level than today's typical PLT transmit power levels, and the notched frequencies follow today's practice as set by long-standing commercial considerations.

PLT claim: EN 50561-1 will control PLT emissions, as there is currently no PLT standard.

Reality: PLT devices are already covered by EN 55022 which is the EMC standard for IT equipment ☐ this has been confirmed by the EU Commission.

http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/...60&language=en

PLT claim: PLT cannot work at EN 55022 levels.

Reality: PLT devices can work at EN 55022 levels in most situations. Running at high power ensures PLT works in the remaining 1% of difficult"

situations. Mesh networking can address almost all of these difficult situations. High levels of pollution could result in "spectrum cleansing" where other spectrum users abandon spectrum to PLT due to PLT pollution.

http://www.compliance-club.com/PLT/PLT%20book.pdf Page 23

PLT claim: Dynamic notching will protect the broadcast bands.

Reality: PLT manufacturers committed to PA Consultants to introduce dynamic notching in Quarter 3 of 2010. PA Consulting was researching PLT on behalf of the Ofcom (UK regulator). This failure to demonstrate dynamic notching in production units could mean that it doesn't actually work in the real world. This may be confirmed by the fact that there is no requirement in EN50561-1 that dynamic notching work in the presence of any interference (PLT for example).

http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/bin.../pltreport.pdf Pages 22 and 23

PLT claim: Power control will reduce PLT pollution levels.

Reality: PLT manufacturers committed to PA Consulting to introduce power control in Quarter 2 of 2010. PA Consulting was researching PLT on behalf of the Ofcom (UK regulator). This function has yet to be seen generally in production devices. PA consulting based its conclusions and recommendations on this commitment and the failure to deliver on this commitment makes a significant difference in the report's conclusions.

http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/bin.../pltreport.pdf Page 57

The power control requirement in EN50561-1 is specified using an unrealistic test situation.

Produced by the EMC Committee of RSGB 25 July 2012

For more information contact the EMCC via the EMC pages of the RSGB website

http://www.rsgb.org/emc/

1428. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1073

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 18:27:47 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <931818.83049.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2345
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Tuesday, 31st-July, through Tuesday, 7th-August there were 207 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY9, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, P5, PA, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TN, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5X, UGANDA (Pirate!). Nick, G3RWF, reports, "Someone is currently pirating my Ugandan call (G3RWF) - he/she/it was on 20m today (August 1st) at about 1215 UTC - also on 40m a few days ago (and also last March fwiw). I hope

to return to Uganda in October, but no dates yet fixed." Nick told OPDX, "Current plans are for a return to Uganda in mid-October for 8 weeks - taking in CQWWCW (maybe SSB too if I can find my mic) and the ARRL 10m contest (if 10m wakes up again properly!)."

9M, SPRATLY ISLANDS (Reminder). Just a reminder that operators John/9M6XRO and Steve/9M6DXX will be active as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) this week between August 7-13th. Activity will be on all bands from 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, using two stations with linear amplifiers to vertical antennas on the edge of the ocean. Spratly Islands are ranked 29th in the current The DX Magazine "100 Most Needed Countries" survey (world-wide, mixed modes), up from number 32 last year. The QSL Manager for 9M4SLL is Tim Beaumont, M0URX. QSL direct with SAE + 2 USDs or 1 new IRC, OQRS (see <http://m0urx.com/oqrs>) or via the RSGB bureau (all bureau cards MUST be marked "via M0URX"). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW as soon as possible after the end of the operation (within a few days), but there will be NO online log during the DXpedition itself. (Note for users of computer logging programs: The 9M4 prefix is issued to special event stations that may be anywhere on Malaysian territory; this includes the DXCC entities of West Malaysia, East Malaysia or, as in this case, Malaysian islands in the Spratly group.)

CORRECTION DEPARTMENT. In OPDX.1072, under "VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update)", The callsign for Joe Taylor (Nobel physics) was incorrect and should be K1JT (not N1JT). We have been informed by Bob, KK6EK, that it is now corrected on the Heard Island Web page.

CQ NEWS. Rich, W2VU, sent out the following press release on August 1st: "CQ TO REVAMP PUBLICATION SCHEDULE FOR CONTEST RESULTS; MAJOR RESULTS TO APPEAR FOUR MONTHS EARLIER -- CQ magazine will embark on a major reorganization of its editorial content in order to publish contest results significantly sooner, Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, announced today. On average, contest results will appear four months sooner than at present. The new schedule will be phased in over the course of 2013 and will be fully in place by 2014.
'The phase-in is necessary because of new and old dates overlapping,' Moseson explained, 'as well as scheduling needs for non-contest articles including our special focus issues and Dayton new product reports. As a result, some contest results will be temporarily relocated in 2013 and some specials will be rearranged as well.'
'In addition, there will be two sets of CQ WPX Contest results published in 2013 -- the 2012 scores in January (SSB) and February (CW), followed by the 2013 results in September (SSB) and November (CW). The CQ World Wide DX Contest results, which currently appear in the August (SSB) and September (CW) issues, will be published as of 2013 in the April and May issues, respectively. For one year only (2013), the CQ World Wide VHF Contest results will be published in CQ VHF magazine, and will return to CQ as of 2014, appearing in the January issue.'
This schedule change has been made possible by the fact that the vast majority of contest entrants submit their logs online, as well as advancements in technology for log-checking, earlier log submission deadlines

announced last month and advances in publishing technology.
'For years, both participants and contest directors have been asking us to publish the results sooner,' Moseson explained, 'and at last, all of the pieces have fallen into place to make it possible. The new schedule represents the minimum amount of time needed to not only collect and process the logs, but to resolve issues with problem logs and take the necessary steps to assure the ongoing integrity of our contest results.' A complete calendar of contest results issues for 2013 and 2014 will be posted on the CQ website at < www.cq-amateur-radio.com>."

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND (QRT). The CY9M St. Paul Island DXpedition went QRT earlier then expected on July 31st, around 1625z due to a forecast of poor weather conditions and at the request of the skipper. They departed from St. Paul Island at 1900z. In 4.5 days of operating, the team made over 33k QSOs. All contacts will be verified via LoTW once they return home, and for those who want paper QSLs, Tim Beaumont, M0URX, will be the QSL Manager. The log is now available on ClubLog. The final totals are as follows: 33219/QSOs and 12715/Unique Calls. Mode breakdown is: 15561/CW, 16143/SSB, 62/PSK, 705/RTTY and 748/PSK63F. Continent breakdown is: 441/AF, 0/AN, 514/AS, 17438/EU, 13548/NA, 233/OC and 1045/SA.

D6, COMOROS (Reminder/Update). A team of Europeon operators will be active as D64K from Ngazidja (Grande Comore), Comoros Islands (IOTA AF-007), between August 8-20th. The current list of operators mentioned are Salvador C31CT/EA3QS, Sigi/DL7DF, Josep/EA3AKY, Fabrizio/IW3SQY, Paolo/IV3DSH, Franco/IZ8GCE and Les/SP3DOI. The team has already obtained all permissions, and the license has been sent to the DXCC Desk. Pilot station is Stan/KH6CG. Their license covers from 160 to 6 meters, so the guys will be active on all bands and modes, and they are even considering the possibility of working on 60m and 6m. They will have four stations on the air using 2x Elecraft K3, 2x Elecraft K2 all with amps, into 2x Spiderbeams, 2 element vertical array (80/40/30) and HF vertical Multi-band. Suggested frequencies are:
CW • 1826, 3506, 7006, 10106, 14026, 18076, 21026, 24896 and 28026 kHz
SSB • 1845, 3780, 7060/7150, 14150, 18140, 21270, 24940 and 28470 kHz
RTTY • 7035, 10142, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50130/CW-SSB and 50193/EME

The QSL Manager will be Paolo, IV3DSH. Watch the following Web sites for updates: http://www.d64k.net
https://twitter.com/#!/D64K

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
H44UD • Solomon Islands; 2012 Operation

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2008 - T88CJ Palau Koror Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v•uSLKOiZsI

2005/2007 - 6W/ HA7TM & J5UTM DXpeditions:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wbm0Vh36k
1999 - 7A0K Semut Kecil Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fh4MAx_4k
1998 - E30HA & E30GA Eritrea DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WXNC0jWhs

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish it.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA (IOTA Op!). Didier, F6BCW, will be active as FO/F6BCW (or possibly a special callsign) from various French Polynesian Islands between October 2nd and November 8th. Activity will be holiday style, CW only, and using 100 watts into dipoles strung-up between coconut trees on the following islands:
October 2-6th - Tahiti Island (OC-046); no or very little activity
October 6-15th - Huahine Island (OC-067); 40-10 meters
October 15-19th - Raiatea Island (OC-067); 30/20/17 meters
October 19-22nd - Tahaa Island (OC-067); 40/30/20/17 meters
October 22-26th - Maupiti Island (OC-067); 30/20/17 meters
October 22nd(?)-November 8th - Huahine Island (OC-067); 40-10 meters
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

FR, REUNION ISLAND. Willi, DJ7RJ, will once again be active as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island between September 26th and October 21st. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using, CW and SSB, and will pay special attention to the low bands for US and JA. QSL direct to his home callsign.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-018. Operator Raffaele, IH9YMC, will be active from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WW Loc. JM56XT), African Italy, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via eQSL.

AS-105. Kim (Tia), DS2NMJ, will be active as DS2NMJ/2 from Yonghung Island between August 12-13th. Activity will be on 15 and 12 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau.

AS-190. (Update/New IOTA) A team of Saudi operators will activate Al-Dhahrah Island as 7Z7AB between October 5-11th. Operators mentioned are Abdul/7Z1CQ, Suli/7Z1SJ, Abdullah/HZ1AR, Bader/ HZ1BF, Abdullah/HZ1BW, Abdul/HZ1DG, Firas/HZ1FS, Hani/HZ1HN, Mohamad/HZ1MD and Nhaw/HZ1TL. More details and a Web page will be forthcoming. See their logo on QRZ.com.

EU-012. Look for a YL DXpedition to be active as GB2YLS from Fair Isle (IOSA SH-09, WLOTA 1319) between August 16-22nd. Operators mentioned are Unni/LA6RHA, Chantal/PA5YL, Ruth/IT9ESZ/HB9LFM, Nicky/MM5YLO, Elaine/2E1BVS and Denise/MM6ZDW. Activity will

be on the HF bands using CW and SSB, as well as an entry in
the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (August 18-19th)
from Fair Isle South (Skaddan) Lighthouse (ILLW UK0127, ARLHS
SCO-079, BARLS A3750, TWLHD WLH GM-028). QSL via MM5YLO, by
the Bureau or direct. Visit their Web site at:
http://www.radioclubs.net/gb2yls

EU-028. Paolo, IZ5NFD, will be active as IA5/IZ5NFD from St. Andrea
(WW Loc. JN52BT) in the north western part of Elba Island
between August 6-12th. Activity will be holiday style on
40-2 meters on CW during his early mornings (0500z) and his
evenings (2100z). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by
the Bureau.

EU-042. Mike, DG5LAC, will be active as homecall/p from Amrum Island
(GIA N-018, WFF DLFF-013, WLOTA 2464) between August 11-24th.
Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters SSB. QSL via
his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be
uploaded to LoTW, WFF and eQSL.

EU-064. Members of the Radio Club Vend�en (F6KUF) will be active as
F6KUF/p from the Sebastopol Polder (FFF-218) on Noirmoutier
Island between August 20-21st. Operators mentioned are:
CW Team - Pat/F6ACD and Alain/F5OEV
SSB Team - Phil/F5TRO and Seb/F4BHZ.
Activity will be on the usual WFF frequencies, +/- QRM permit-
ting. QSL cards are via the Bureau; SWL cards are welcome.

EU-84. Operators Stefan/SA0AEK, Alexander/SA0AEX and Oskar/SA0ASG will
be active as SC0UT/5 from the Scout Camp Boomerang on Vassaro
[V�ssar�] Island until August 10th. Activity will be on 80-12
meters SSB. QSL SC0UT via the Bureau.

EU-165. Massimo, I0PNM, will once again be active as IM0/I0PNM from
San Pietro Island (IIA CI-007, MIA MIS-050, WLOTA 2989) between
August 10th and September 3rd. Activity will be mainly 20/15/10
meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via his home callsign
direct only.

EU-182. (Correction) One of the Russian-Ukrainian team's operator who
was listed a R6LP in OPDX.1072 from their press release is
actually Oleg, RL6LP, and was active as UT/RL6LP from Ankudinov
Island during the IOTA Contest last weekend. QSL via LoTW or
eQSL.
NA-124. Manuel, XE2HUQ, will be active as XF1F from San Francisco
Island sometime in October. Specific dates were not announced.
Activity will probably be on 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using
SSB only. QSL via XE2HUQ.

JW, SVALBARD (Update). Torkel, LA6VJA, will once again be active as
JW6VJA from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island
(EU-026) between August 10-12th. Fredrik, LA6TMA, will also join him

and be active as JW6TMA. Activity by JW6VJA will mainly be CW with some SSB, while JW6TMA will be active mostly on the Digital modes. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau. PLEASE NOTE the new postal address for direct QSL cards. Also, JW6VJA will upload his log to LoTW. For more details, visit: http://www.bitwrap.no/web/index.php?id=

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 6-12th)....

Aug/06th AN Aug/09th AN Aug/11th AN
Aug/07th AN Aug/10th AN Aug/12th AN
Aug/08th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha

AN - Above Normal Quiet K=1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K= 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K= 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K= 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K= 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (On the Birds!). Wyatt, AC0RA, reports that he made a QSO on August 2nd with Rich, KP2CT, from St. Thomas on FO-29 for his first satellite contact. For equipment he has a Icom 706 and an arrow antenna. He is manually tuning for Doppler and still getting the hang of it. Wyatt states, "He (Rich) is going to only be on the SSB satellites for now and probably only FO-29 due to the ease of working semi duplex on mode J vs mode B. Though we might try on VO52 at some point. He is still picking up on things that make it easier and need to trouble shoot a few problems we found during our first QSO! He will try to be QRV on fo29 during the next few week ends and possibly during the week depending on his free time due to his unpredictable work schedule. He also asked that people not try to contact him for skeds. If he knows he can make a certain pass or passes I will try to make an effort to post to the AMSAT BB."

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (Dated July 28th): "The Northern California DX Foundation is the recipient of a 4000 USDs donation from the Northern California DX Club. This is the largest donation ever received from a club. More and more DX clubs are donating to NCDXF. NCDXF thoroughly analyzes the financial needs of planned DXpeditions and helps provide critical funding to DXpedtions high on the Most Wanted List. Often without support such DXpeditions would not be possible. Several expensive DXpeditions in the Top Ten Most Wanted are in the early or mid planning stages. Contributions from individuals and from clubs to NCDXF will help make these DXpeditions happen."

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE (Dated August 48th): "The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce the addition of two new Directors to fill vacancies created by retiring board members. Tom Berson, ND2T, and Glenn Rattmann, K6NA, were elected to fill these positions.

Tom Berson, ND2T, became a ham at the age of 11. He has lived and worked abroad for 7 ½ years. He is a past president and director of the International Association for Cryptologic Research, Inc. Professionally, Tom is an expert in cryptography, computer security, information conflict, and high-tech business. Tom has been on several high profile DXpeditions and will be headed to NH8S Swains Island very soon. Tom has lived in Palo Alto, CA, since 1977.
Glenn Rattmann, K6NA, has been DXing and contesting since age 14. He has a degree in Marine Geology and has had successful careers in oceanographic survey work, electronic sales and manufacturing and aerospace. He retired from Northrop Grumman in 2007. He has participated in many DXpeditions and is very active in contesting. He has worked all current DX entities and loves the low bands. He has been very active in the San Diego DX Club. Glenn lives in Valley Center, CA.
More extensive biographies for Tom and Glenn can be seen at:
http://www.ncdxf.org/pages/officers.html
An eleven member Board of Directors oversees all of the Foundation's business. These Directors and the volunteer advisors who assist them have held responsible positions in the business or academic worlds. They all are active DXers. The Foundation does not have a paid staff, and no Foundation officer, director or advisor receives a salary or compensation in any form.
In keeping with the original intent of the founders, NCDXF has supported over 500 DXpeditions, large and small. For the expensive "mega" DXpeditions, NCDXF is usually the "anchor" sponsor and its grant often makes the difference in whether the DXpedition goes forward. Since its founding in 1972, NCDXF has donated in excess of $1 million to worthy DXpeditions. NCDXF also supports the world-wide NCDXF/IARU Beacon Project and provides for scholarships for worthy recipients in cooperation with the ARRL Foundation.
The Northern California DX Foundation relies heavily upon the generosity of its contributors to fund various projects. The NCDXF is an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and all contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law for U.S. taxpayers.
73, Glenn W0GJ"

OD5, LEBANON. Members of the Lebanese Army Ham Radio (HAM RADIO DX GROUP) will be active as OD5ARMY during the month of August. Activity is to celebrate the founding of the Lebanese Army, and to "thank the Lebanese Army for their effort and their faithfulness to the Land, to the Country, to their parents, and the Lebanese people." Gabriel, ON5NJ, informs that the following will be participants during this event: Joe/OD5TE, Raja/OD5MV, Puzant/OD5NH, Gaby/OD5NJ, George/OD5QB, Maria/OD5QT and Anthy/OD5YY. QSL via OD5NJ.

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Pasi, OH3WS/OG3A, who was active as OH0/OH3WS from Ecker½, Aland Island (EU-002) on Friday, is now active as OJ0W from Market Reef (EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, WLOTA 0542) until August 10th. Activity will take place during his spare time. QSL via OH3WS.

P3, CYPRUS (Update). Mark, M0DXR, will be active as P3F (not 5B/M0DXR as first announced) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

PT0, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update). Members of the Araucaria DX Group, in conjunction with the TX3A Team, will activate St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks (PY0S), under the callsign PT0S approximately between November 10-22nd. They suggest on their Web page to please visit and check their Web site regularly for news updates or announcements. (Like all things maritime, the exact dates of their travel to the rocks will be subject to the weather and issues related to the boat.) The Web page also menitoned that two operators of the PT0S Team (PY2XB and AA7JV) went out on a survey voyage to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks this past weekend to find a suitable site for a platform to hold their operating and sleeping tent. This is necessary as there is no flat land available on the rocks. They have only 5 hours on the rocks to complete their survey, which, in addition to the platform site, will include surveying potential antenna sites and generator location.
Once again, operators for the PT0S operation will be Fred Carvalho/PY2XB (PY2XB/PY0F, PQ0F, VP5/PY2XB, 8P9XB), Peter Sprengel/PP5XX/PY5CC (PY0FM, PW0T, HK0NA). Tomi Pekarik/HA7RY and George Wallner/AA7JV. The operation will have a strong low band focus. There will be a dedicated 160 meter station operating on 160 meters from sunset to sunrise. A second station will be on 80 and 40 meters at night. During the day they will operate two stations on the higher bands -- and 6 meters -- based on conditions. RTTY will also be supported. An "Online QSL Request Service" (OQRS) will be set up on their Web site for both direct or Bureau QSLs. For direct cards via the mail, QSL via HA7RY (read details on the Web page). The log will be uploaded on LoTW, generally within 36 hours of the QSO taking place. For further information, please visit: http://pt0s.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated July 29th and August 5th)

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6K13KJ via HL0CHD HG3IPA via HA3JB OH0/YL2GN via YL2GN
8J2NDP/3 via JA (B) HG460EV via HA6VA OM100IG via OM3BY
9A/OM8AA via OM8AA HK2PMR via EA5GL (d) ON12TRUDO via ON4TRC
9A/VE3ZIK via DK8ZZ HR2/NP3J via EA5GL OZ3SDL via EI3IO
D2QR via RW6HS (d) I2/ON4ENL via ON4ENL P3F via 5B4AHJ
DP87SIXD via DL3VU I6/IZ0MQN/P via IZ0MQN PC25HR via PC2F
ED5RKB via EA5RKB ID8/IQ8CS via IQ8CS R10RLHA/1 via RA1QY
ED7YAD via EA7URM II3PIC via IV3FIV R35CZF via RV9CVA
EH2DLG via EB2FAC IK/AL3T via DL7ET R1812SM via RV3LZ
EI25DB via EI9HQ IK2/DF5DN via DF5DN SU1IE via HA3JB (d)
EJ0PL via EI5JQ IM0/I2KQE via I2KQE SV2/OE5RTP via OE5RTP
EJ3Z via EI6GUB IN3/I3GNQ via I3GNQ SV5/RD1AP via RD1AP
EN5RFF via UT1RT IS0/OM3BH via OM3BH SZ6P via SV1BJW
ES0W via SP7DPJ JH1OGT/BY1RX via JH1OGT V5/F5JWH via F5JWH
ES7FHELL via ES7FU (B) JX9JKA via LA9JKA XV9NPS via JA2NPS
EV140OP via EW7DK KH0/WE0A via WE0A YF1AR via N2OO

EX2F via RW6HS (d) LX/PA7AL via PA7AL YV7/UA9YAB via UA9YAB
F/M0CUL via M0CUL LY/RA5FB via RA5FB YV7/UA9YPS via UA9YPS
F/OE5JKL via OE5JKL LZ916SS via LZ1KCP YV7BMZ via EA7FTR
GB2012OLY via M0DOL MW0ZZK via EB7DX ZF2GG via W4SIG
GI/EI7GEB/P via EI7GEB MX0HFC via G1EYY ZP0B via ZP5KO
GO1VDP via M0URX NP3CW via EB7DX ZP5AJR via PY4KL
GO3TXF via G3TXF OD5ARMY via OD5NJ
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

NEW MANAGER. Buzz, NI5DX, is now serving as QSL Manager for Clive, 3B8CW, on Mauritius Island. Buzz has Clive's past logs and will be able to confirm contacts made with 3B8CW from September 1, 2011, onward. Clive is using a Mosley TA-33 antenna at the present time, but is considering building/buying a HexBeam to improve his signal and allow operation on the 79-WARC bands. A QSL card is now being designed and will be printed soon. Please allow for a short delay in response if sending for a card before they arrive from the printer. This is generally 4-6 weeks after the order is placed.

OJ0R LoTW. Nigel, G3TXF, reports that the OJ0R log will be uploaded to LoTW just as soon as the LoTW Cert arrives. He also states that both Don, G3XTT, and himself had a great time, and they are grateful to Teemu, SM0W, for setting it all up. Nigel has provided a few photos from last weekend's IOTA Contest trip to Market Reef (OJ0R) at: http://www.g3txf.com/dxtrip/OJ0R-July-12/OJ0R.html

QSL STATUS S55CERKNO & S555E. Dan, S50U, reports, "All S55CERKNO & S555E direct QSL request (OQRS is preferred) will be honored by a special stamp released for the occasion! Please SASE with 2 USDs to: Radioclub Cerkno, P.O. BOX 16, 5282 Cerkno, Slovenia, with priority return when getting cards from the printer in early 2013. Request your direct QSL with special stamp at <http://www.s50e.si>. "

TM0BI (EU-032) IS QRT. The complete log is uploaded on the OQRS provided by ClubLog. Direct and Bureau QSL are via ON4ZD and can be requested via this OQRS (the prefered way). OQRS access is also available directly on the Web page: http://www.qrz.com/db/tm0bi

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9A5SM, 9A5TN, CE2/VE7SV, CN4P, CO2JD, EA1ALD, ES6RW, GM2T, GW4TTA, HK1MW, HK3C, IC8TEM, IZ1NGW, IZ2GMT, K4LTA, K4RO, K4WW, KL7J, KP2MM, M3W, MD4K, MU0FAL, MW0REN, N0SM, N1GKE, N3UA, N4OGW, OH0X, OK6DJ, OZ4FF, PJ7MF, PY1NX, RI1ANF, RT3DX, RY9C, S51YI, S57L, SA1A, SV0XCC/9, TK5EP, UY0ZG, V31MX, V31WH, V55V, VB6A, VK2DX, VU2PAI, W2NO, W4MYA, w4PM, W8PN, WG4F, XE1RZL, YO3FRI, YU2VZ and ZS6A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B8CF, 3B8FE, 3C0E, 3C6A, A5A, CO7EH, CT1HZE, CU2CE, EZ8BP, FW0NAR, GR100MGY, HK0NA, JD1BLY, JT1CO, KP4RV, OD5NJ, OM5DP, PJ5/SO6X, PY0FF, SV9/HB9CRX, TA3X, V73NS, V85SS, VP2MQR, VR2KF, XX9E and YI9EO

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: OP4K, OX3XR, S9DX, T77NM and Z36A

SILENT KEYS.....
Well-known operator Paul Caboche, 3B8AD, became a Silent Key (SK) on July 25th. Paul is remembered as a communications pioneer and was active on many islands in the Indian Ocean. He was inactive in recent years due to illness. Older DXers may remember Paul as VQ8AD, etc. <http://hamgallery.com/qsl/country/Mauritius/vq8ad.htm> He was 94. Jacky, 3B8CF, made the following announcement on the IARU Region 1 Web site, "Paul was the oldest ham in Mauritius. His first call was VQ8AS in the Chagos back in 1937. Later he got the call VQ8AD, then in 1970 he became 3B8AD. He was the first chairman of MARS (Mauritius Amateur Radio Society) and held this post for many years, from 1967 to 1993. He has done much to protect the interests of ham radio in Mauritius and to promote this hobby over the years. May he rest in Peace! Jacky, 3B8CF."

OPDX was also informed that Sven Lutzen, OZ3SA/OX3SA, recently had a heart attack and is now a Silent Key (SK). No other details were provided.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above Silent Keys.

TZ, MALI. "The Daily DX" reports this past week that Fernando, Z21BB/EA4BB (ex-9Q5BB, D2BB, ST2BF, TU5JL), has left Zimbabwe and has taken a new assignment in the Mali Republic. He is expected to receive a TZ6BB license in a couple of week. QSL via W3HNK.

V5, NAMIBIA. Hans, DF2UU, informs OPDX that he will once again be active from Namibia between the end of August to the middle of September as V5/DF2UU. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. He will also be active during some contests. In the SSB FD, September 1-2nd, he (and others) will be active as V55V/P as a Multi-Single entry. In the WAE SSB, September 8-9th, he states that the callsign is not sure, but if he works Single-Op it will be V5/DF2UU and if it is Multi-Op then V55V.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLAND (aka Laccadive Islands)[IOTA/Lighthouse/WFF Op]. Members of the Bangalore Amateur Radio Club (VU2ARC) and a small group of amateur radio volunteers will be active as VU7M from Minicoy Island (AS-106, WFF VU-103, ARLHS LAK009 and also IND017 [to be deleted!!]) between August 13-22nd. The group received special permission from Ministry of Communication and Information Technology, and the Government of India on July 26th, to use the special callsign VU7M to represent India during the 2012 International/Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, August 17-18th. Operators mentioned are Arasu/VU2UR, Laxmanan/VU2LX, Srikantha/VU2GSM, Govind/VU2GGM, Ramesh/VU2LU and Lion/VU2JHM. Details on QRZ.com state that they will be "setting up humble HF station" and the QSL route is "DIRECT or through the Bureau". For more details (plently of URLs to look at) and updates, watch QRZ.com under VU7M.

YN, NICARAGUA. Jeff, N6GQ, will once again be active as YN2AA from Grenada, Nicaragua, between October 23-29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, and he will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-OP/All-Band/High-Power entry. Jeff will probably use a K3 radio

and 1 KW amp into the following antennas: a Tribander, 2 element 40m beam,
wires and beverages for 80/160m. QSL via NN3W, by the Bureau or direct. U.S.
stations, please send SASE; DX stations, please send SAE with GS or IRC.
Bureau service will take time. Logs will also be uploaded to LoTW.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update). It was announced on August 5th: "The HARAOA
ZL9HR DX&#65533;Pedition to Campbell Island in the Great Southern Ocean (IOTA
OC-037) is delighted to have been granted an award from the prestigious
ARRL Colvin foundation.
The Colvin Award is conferred in the form of grants in support of Amateur
Radio projects that promote international goodwill in the field of DX
and the HARAOA are honored to have received this award.
Preparations for this major DX&#65533;Pedition are on schedule for the
activation dates of November 28th. to December 9th, 2012."

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject&#65533;lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject&#65533;bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject&#65533;subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
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1429. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 20:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120805200003.B9E4733C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2346
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 5th August 2012

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. The closing date for applications to sit this examination is Thursday, 20th September Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

IOTA Contest

The RSGB Islands On The Air Contest, held last weekend, is one of the more popular contests in the EI contesters calendar. Most reports from the participants suggest that band conditions were quite favourable -good openings on the high bands, 20 metres open all night and better-than-usual 80 metre conditions with little summer static.

There were at least a dozen EI and GI stations operating from the mainland. One of the big signals from the mainland was Olivier EI8GQB, who used the contest call sign EI1A for the IOTA weekend. He has posted a claimed score showing over 1,200 QSOs; of particular interests is the fact that much of the power he used during the contest weekend was derived from wind and solar energy.

Two Echo-Juliet island stations were heard: EJ0PL, a Polish / Irish team, who were on Little Saltee Island, and EJ3Z - members of the Shannon Basin Radio Club and Galway Radio Club - who were on Inisbofin.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group.

The annual Inistioge Vintage Rally takes place today Sunday the 5th Of August 2012 in Inistioge Co Kilkenny (weather permitting). See

www.searg.com for latest news regarding event going ahead. There will be a large collection of Vintage Cars, Tractors, Motorbikes, Stationary Engines and lots of other attractions for the family.

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will also be there where we will have a station in operation using the call sign EI2WRC on the site we will mainly be using HF but we will also be available through the Southern Ireland Repeater Network should anyone require directions etc. We will also have radio equipment from times gone past on display. If you're in the area Sunday why not come on in for a chat and see the station in operation. We will be delighted to talk to anyone who's involved in radio or anyone who wants to learn more about it.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club will be closed for the holidays over the next two Tuesdays - i.e. no meeting on 7th or 14th August. Meetings will resume on Tuesday 21st August at the usual time of 8.00 pm. SDR meets in the Ballyroan Community Centre on Marian Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14; visitors are very welcome.

The 5MHz Newsletter

The latest edition - No. 04, Summer 2012 - of The 5 MHz Newsletter is now online on Google docs at http://bit.ly/RdM8PY and includes news on the ITU working party for the WRC2015 5 MHz Agenda Item, plus technical correspondence on NVIS from Marcus Walden, G0IJZ

EI DXCC List

The latest EI DXCC List includes a number of interesting changes: Patrick EI4IR enters the list for the first time, while Brendan EI3GV has jumped over the 'magic' 300 limit of confirmed DXCC entities - he now has 303 entities confirmed (just a few more to go, Brendan!).

We also note a big increase in confirmed entities by Pat EI9HX and Trevor EI2GLB. The EI DXCC List is on the IRTS web site at www.irts.ie/dxcc and is updated regularly.

DX News

A multinational DXpedition to the Comoros in the Indian Ocean will take place from 8 - 20 August. The callsign will be D64K. IOTA reference is AF-007 and the QSL info is via IV3DSH. Pasi OH3WS was QRV from the Aland Islands as OH0/OH3WS on 3 August. He has followed this by travelling on to Market Reef where he will be active as OJ0W until 10 August.

W4XP is going to the Chagos Archipelago from 9 - 25 August. He will activate the callsign VQ9XP. QSLs go via his home call.

Torkel LA6VJA and Fredrik LA6TMA will be active as JW6VJA and JW6TMA from Svalbard from 10 - 12 August. Look for them on CW, SSB and digital.

St. Paul Island (CY9M), the DXpedition to St. Paul Island, which has been in the Top 50 of the "Most Wanted DXCC Entities" for many years, is now QRT. St. Paul Island is an uninhabited island off the East coast of Canada, at the entrance to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. A team of radio amateurs from North America and Europe were active on the island from 27th to 31st July, using the call sign CY9M, achieving a total of more than 30,000 QSOs. The log shows 60 EI call signs, with Ark EI9KC's 12 QSOs topping the leaderboard.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1430. eHam.net News for Sunday 5 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-05 22:30:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a01e4940a04c68c4f5e@google.com>
Source record: 2347
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Before Chatroulette, There Was Ham Radio:

Posted: 04 Aug 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28747

As you read this, a dead language is flying through the air all around you -- at least, it's dead for most official uses. It's the Morse code, a binary digital system that dates back to the 1850s. Among its primary users today are amateur radio operators, better known as hams. I am one of these and am proud to say I'm fluent in Morse. I was texting way, way before it was cool. Ham radio is a pastime dating back more than a century. Hobbyists built transmitting and receiving equipment long before radio stations, such as KALW, went on the air. These days, several large manufacturers make most of the amateur radio equipment sold. It's been computerized, digitized and miniaturized over the years, and while hams are numbered among the most advanced techno-geeks among us, many of the original attractions of this hobby have changed very little. Ham operators are no longer required to demonstrate proficiency in Morse to obtain an FCC license. Still, code transmission, or CW, as hams call it, remains one of the most popular modes of communication. The majority of contacts are made by voice. This method of communicating may seem quaint in the Internet age, yet the ranks of ham operators continue to grow, with more than 700,000 licensees in the U.S. alone.

1431. Srimannarayana Songs Free Download 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 01:41:16 UTC
From: vinay chowdary <chowdaryseo@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <0f41e7f3-f3ab-45c4-9197-4d52e1fbabde@wc13g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2348

Natasimha Nandhamuri Balakrishna Main Lead Up Coming Movie
Srimannarayana. In This Movie Heroines Parvathi Melton And Isha
Chawla.Directed By Ravikumar Chavali.Ravikumar Chavali Past Movie Has
Directed One Hit Movie The Movie Name Samanyudu. Srimannarayana
Producer Name Ramesh Pushpala.Srimannarayana Movie Banner Has R.R.
Movie Makers. Srimannarayana Music By Chakri. Chakri And Balakrishna s
Past superhit Musical Hit Movie Simha.And I Wish To Be This Movie
Srimannarayana Also Music Hit Movie Like Simha.
To Day This Movie Songs Will Be Released By aditya Music Listen And
Enjoy.

http://www.telugusuperheroes.com/index.php/sriman-narayana/

1432. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 5 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 02:12:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3033462f96975004c68f67f6@google.com>
Source record: 2349
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Local hams reach for the sky - KIII TV3

Posted: 05 Aug 2012 05:36 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGtAKCmREYT5GZBOIG_k0Bmr56gpA&url=http://www.kiiitv.com/story/19198416/local-hams-reach-for-the-sky

Local hams reach for the sky
KIII TV3
The Beaumont Amateur Radio Club hosted the event with preparations beginning at 8 a.m. The actual launch was just before 10 a.m. at the Beaumont Municipal Airport. This is the third balloon launch by a group of hams known locally as B.O.S.S (Balloons ...

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Students quiz orbiting astronaut via live ham radio - Daily Press

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 12:09 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG_FTCF7YMf3RR2uBeRMnOLEZ7H8w&url=http://www.dailypress.com/news/education/dp-nws-ham-radio-space-0727-20120726,0,6734001.story

Students quiz orbiting astronaut via live ham radio
Daily Press
Through live ham radio, they had a direct connection to Sunita Williams, who blasted off mid-July for a four-month mission on the International Space Station. With static crackling and time ticking, Williams quickly answered questions during an 11 ...

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Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams - Times of India

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 03:58 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ96xjdcQ35dHk5mAUgSaMGpc8LQ&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Ham-radio-to-link-Ahmedabad-students-with-Sunita-Williams/articleshow/14972807.cms

Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams
Times of India
Ham radio or amateur radio is frequently used for the communication from space to earth and vice versa and in the past, many of the astronauts stationed at ISS have had talks with students narrating their experiences

and answering their queries. So far ...

and more

1433. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 6 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 11:10:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec52999e3125ae104c696ec2a@google.com>
Source record: 2350
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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NASA lands car-size Rover beside Martian mountain

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ya3KEWd_SK4/nasa_lands_car_size_rover_beside_martian_mountain.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA's most advanced Mars rover Curiosity has landed on the Red Planet. The one-ton rover, hanging by ropes from a rocket backpack, touched down onto Mars Sunday to end a 36-week flight and begin a two-year investigation

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GAREC 2012 - Call for Papers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VO6_luwsx0c/garec_2012_call_for_papers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Delegates representing their amateur radio Emergency Communications Services division, National Societies or clubs are cordially invited to submit proposals, information papers and reports

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High Capacity Zinc-Air Batteries

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OXcpiUFWroA/high_capacity_zinc_air_batteries.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Gordon West WB6NOA looks at a new Zinc-Air battery pack that provides power for portable or emergency use

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AXtYVKMKQ8o/dxcc_report_0608.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Tuesday, 31st-July, through Tuesday, 7th-August there were 207 countries active

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Mission to make Curiosity count

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3DCcnNYHJrk/mission_to_make_curiosity_count.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With the Curiosity Mars landing planned for today Aug 6, The Canberra Times interviews radio amateur Len Ricardo VK1ALR, operations manager at the Canberra Deep Space Communication Complex

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gEYRtduwnnY/wca_0608.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ON4DG, Raymond, and a team of the Radio Club of Gembloux, will be active on August 12th 2012 from the Belgian Castle of Aische-en-Refail (prov. Namur)

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Amateur Radio Exams at the RSGB Convention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YfJySqsz-Tg/amateur_radio_exams_at_the_rsgb_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve Hartley G0FUW reports it is intended that all thee levels of the Amateur Radio Exam will be available at the RSGB Convention which takes place October 12-14

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bKZg0kmDJZA/august_06.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Signalink USB at The DX Shop

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VCOyaAbSmZo/signalink_usb_at_the_dx_shop.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The DX Shop Limited now hold physical stock of the latest version of the Signalink USB cabled for the Elecraft KX3

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P54buSRoafA/history_06_august.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1434. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 12:00:17 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120806120004.E598F33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2351
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 5th August 2012

[Note to newsreaders: There is a pronunciation guide in red text in the last main news story]

The news headlines:

Olympic Flagship station working via satellites

RSGB statement criticises PLT growth

Consultation now running on RSGB Interim Board Strategy and Governance proposals

Olympic Special Event Station 2 Oscar 12 Whiskey has been active on the amateur radio satellites, working stations in the USA and across Europe. The 2o12W satellite station has been operated by Ken, GW1FKY. He is using a Kenwood TS-2000 feeding a 5 element dual-band Elk antenna mounted on a rotator on the portable cabin. Other Olympic stations have also been enjoying great success on the bands and getting interesting visits from the public. For details of all the Olympic stations, check out the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/operating/ and click on London Olympics 2012.

The RSGB has issued a statement expressing grave concern at the continuing headlong rush to legitimise high levels of emission from PLT devices, in contravention of the Essential Requirements of the EMC Directive. You can read the full statement on the RSGB website www.rsgb.org, click on Update on draft PLT standard prEN50561-1.

Consultations are now running on the RSGB Interim Board proposals on Strategy and Governance. All members are encouraged to share their views, on what are arguably the most important consultations that the Society has ever undertaken. All responses will be carefully considered and the more input that is received, the more robust the final documents will be. The Interim Board intends to bring final proposals for Governance to an Extraordinary General Meeting in November and needs your comments by 20 August. Two Litmus Tests are being run through the RSGB website to facilitate comment and discussion on the proposals. Alternatively you can send comments by e-mail to strategy@rsgb.org.uk or governance@rsgb.org.uk, or submit written comments to the Board at HQ. Follow the link from the main page of the RSGB website, www.rsgb.org.

The latest edition of The 5MHz Newsletter is now online on Google docs at http://tinyurl.com/c86r3l4. It includes news on the ITU working party for the WRC2015 5MHz Agenda Item, plus technical correspondence on NVIS from Marcus Walden, G0IJZ.

Former Serbian Internal Affairs Minister Ivica Daci [ee-VEET-sah DAH-chich], YU1YU, was elected as that country's newest Prime Minister on July 27. Daci is a member of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia, the SRS Serbia's IARU Member-Society and is said to be a member of his local club, YU1AAV.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 6 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 5 August, the Chippenham & DARC Radio Boot Sale takes place at the Chippenham Sea Cadet HQ, off Long Close, Chippenham, approximate post code SN15 3JZ. Doors open at 9am for booters, £5 per boot, foot entry is £1 on the gate, with under 16s free. There is an on site car park and visitors are asked not to park in Long Close.

King's Lynn ARC Rally & Car Boot will be held today, 5 August, at Gaywood Community Centre, PE30 4DZ. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There are trade stands and a car boot area. More details from Ray, G3RSV on 01553 849 700.

Today, 5 August, the Lorn Radio Amateur Rally is being held in Crianlarich Village Hall, Crianlarich, near Oban FK20 8QN. Admission is £1 and there are trade stands, a Bring & Buy and a car boot area.

The Cockenzie & Port Seton ARC 19th Annual Mini-Rally Night will take place on 10 August at the Community Centre, Main Hall, Port Seton. Bring along your own junk and sell it yourself. Tables are on a first come first served basis and admission is £2 for everyone. Doors open from 6.30 to 9.30pm.

On 12 August the Flight Refuelling ARS Hamfest takes place at Cobham Sports and Social Club Ground, Merley, near Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 3DA. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands and a car boot area. More details from Mike, M0MJS on 01202 883 479.

Now for the news of special events

Sandford Mill Museum in Chelmsford will be open to the public on the first three Sundays in August from 2 to 5pm. The museum is home to an extensive collection of historic radio equipment. Many fascinating radio exhibits are displayed there including spark transmitters from the late 1890's and a fully equipped ship's radio room. The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB1000MWT on August 5, 12 and 19 from the 2MT Marconi hut inside the museum, postcode CM2 6NY. Admittance and parking are free.

Riviera Amateur Radio Club will be operating the special event station GB4TSF at Torbay Steam Fair today, 5 August. More details are available

at the club website at www.rivieraarc.org.uk.

Oldham Amateur Radio Club will be operating from Royton Park, Royton, Oldham today, 5 August, from 10.30am until 4pm using GB8RTC to celebrate Royton being 800 years old. Operation will be from 40m to 70cm. For more details about the station and events going on at the park please contact Chris, G7OOD on 0774 934 7142.

Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group will be operating GN0LIX/P from Chaine Memorial Tower in Larne, County Antrim between 18 and 19 August as part of the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. The station will be active on 20m, 40m and 10m SSB, conditions permitting. All QSL will be via the bureau. For further information, visit the Carrickfergus Club website at www.radioclubs.net/carg.

Hinckley Amateur Radio Electronics Society will be putting a special event station on the air on 10 August from Bruntingthorpe Proving Grounds, Bruntingthorpe, Lutterworth LE17 5QS, for On Your Marks 2012. This is a charity fund raising day including flying displays and a motorcycle stunt display.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 6 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Kent Weald Radio Club is operating GB1HA over the weekend of 11 and 12 August from Headcorn airfield, Kent. Operation will be on HF and VHF to demonstrate amateur radio during the military show that is taking place there over the two days. Further details can be obtained from Patrick via email to palybl@btinternet.com.

Telford and District Amateur Radio Society will be operational from early on Saturday 11th until 4pm on Sunday 12th August using the callsign GB0WPB for William Penny Brookes. The station is celebrating the life of Doctor William Penny Brookes, founder of the Wenlock Olympian Association, who organised the first Annual Wenlock Olympian Games in October 1850. The first Games, held in October 1850, were a mixture of athletics and also traditional country sports such as quoits, football and cricket. The station will be based at Much Wenlock Scout Hut, Bull Ring, Much Wenlock, TF13 6HS. Three stations will be running, 2m/70cm using a vertical, 40 and 80m using a dipole and 20, 15 and 10m using a tribander. Fellow amateurs who happen to be in the area are welcome to visit and operate.

A pair of twinned Special Event Stations, GB175PO and TM175PO, will be running in Dover and Calais to celebrate 175 years of P&O. Operation starts on 11 August and will be running for 30 days. Both stations will have the opportunity to work from ferries at various times during the operation.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Bill, K9HZ will be on the air from St Lucia as J68HZ from 4 to 19 August. The IOTA reference is NA-108 and he will be active on all bands from 40 to 6m. QSLs go via his home callsign.

Stefan, DL4ST is in Afghanistan until the end of September. He is active as T6SS and so far has been worked mainly on 20m.

>From 7 to 13 August John, 9M6XRO and Steve, 9M6DXX will be active from Spratly Island using the callsign 9M4SLL. They will be on 10 to 80m using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL manager is M0URX.

A multi-national group will activate the Comoros Islands from 8 to 20 August. The callsign will be D64K. QSL info is via IV3DSH and full details of the expedition can be found on www.d64k.net.

Erik, LA2US is now active as JW2US from Bear Island, EU-027, until November. He operates mainly SSB with some CW on 40-10 metres.

Now the contest news

Today, 5 August, the 432MHz low power contest finishes at 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number, locator and postcode.

The UK Microwave Group's Microwave Field Day also takes place today, 5 August, from 0900 to 1700UTC. Using the 1.3 and 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 144MHZ UK Activity Contest takes place on 7 August from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 6 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. August is the first month of the new 80m Club Sprint series, which continues until November. The CW leg takes place on Wednesday 8th from 1900 to 2000UTC. The whole series is limited to 100 watts output. The exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name.

The 5th 70MHz Cumulative Contest takes place from 1400 to 1600UTC on 12 August. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The first of this year's Worked All Europe contests takes place for the entire 48 hours of the 12th and 13th. This month it's CW. Work non-European stations only. There are country multipliers and the added dimension of QTCs, reporting the details of previously held QSOs, enables those who choose to send and receive them to boost their score significantly. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 27th to Thursday the 2nd of August, compiled by Martin Harrison, G3USF, on Friday the 3rd of August

Solar activity ranged between very low and moderate. Every day brought a crop of C-class flares, but they had little apparent impact on propagation. M-class flares were reported on the 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th. Of these, an M6.1 flare on the28th was the most significant,

bringing increased geomagnetic activity on the 2nd. Solar flux levels increased from 123 on the 27th to 150 on the 1st, then 135 on the 2nd. The average was 135 units 36 up on the previous week. The 90 day solar flux average on the 2nd was 127, two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B4.8 on the 27th to B6.3 units by the 1st, averaging B5.5. Geomagnetic activity was at quiet to unsettled levels for much of the period, However, on the 30th, the coronal mass ejection associated with the flare on the 28th brought `active' levels and an Ap index of 13. A brief disturbance occurred on the 2nd, when the Ap index was up to 16. For most of the rest of the week it was in single figures. The average Ap for the week was 9. Solar wind speeds reported by the ACE spacecraft ranged between 307 and 455 kilometres per second. Particle densities were generally low, but reached 14 per cubic centimetre during the disturbance on the 2nd. Bz varied between minus 11 and plus 13 nanoTeslas during that disturbance, but otherwise ranged between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas. Although the disturbance on the 30th was quite mild one, it brought extensive auroral propagation from early afternoon to mid-evening, which at peak reached southward to central England. Though the event on the 2nd was more intense few auroral contacts were reported.

And finally the forecast. Solar activity and solar flux levels are expected to be below last week's levels, though there is a chance of occasional M-class flares bringing moderate levels. The solar flux should be in the 130's for most of the week. The geomagnetic field is expected to be `active' at times during the next few days due to a recurring coronal hole. Quiet conditions should return by midweek, although an Earth- directed coronal mass ejection cannot be totally ruled out. MUFs at equal latitudes should be around 21MHz in the south and 18MHz in the north. Paths to Japan, currently among the more difficult, should have a maximum usable frequency, with a 50 per cent success rate, of around 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 16MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1400 hours.

The summer sporadic-E season is now well past its peak, but brief openings may still occur on both 50 and 70MHz. MS operators should find the Perseids shower moving towards its peak next weekend.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Tuesday there's a free 'n' easy evening at the club, while Friday sees a social evening in the shack. Next weekend the club is running a special event station at Hanbury Vintage Country Show. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is holding a club net on Monday from 7pm, on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. Tuesday sees a station meeting from 7pm, to which non-members are welcome. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm. Friday sees the regular club net on GB3FR from 8pm. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 144MHz UK AC on Tuesday from the Shack, 8pm onwards. On Wednesday G6COL is on the air from the shack and there's a 50/50 auction at the BSA Club from 8pm. On Thursday the simplex club net takes place on 145.375MHz from 8pm. Next weekend's Saturday Surgery starts at 9am in the shack, then next Sunday there's the 70MHz Cumulative Contest at the shack from 3pm. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Wednesday 8 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society will be displaying the books and equipment that paid- up members can borrow on Wednesday, and invites members to bring their fully charged gel cells for capacity tests. Next weekend will see GB3WPB on the air from Much Wenlock. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 6 August Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having a general discussion and CW tuition. Details from Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday 6 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Monday 6 August Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is closed. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday 7 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a walking 2m DF, starting at 8pm from the Glenmore Centre. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 8 August Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday 8 August South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Thursday 9 August Central Radio Amateur Circle is holding a night on the air on 145.300MHz from 20:00. Contact Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 6 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday 9 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and holding a committee meeting. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Friday 10 August Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a barbecue and portable night at Newbold Comyn. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday 10 August Hinckley Amateur Radio Society is running a special event station at Bruntingthorpe Proving Grounds. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731 544.

On Friday 10 August South Birmingham Radio Society is doing shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RoPoCo CW contest today. On Wednesday it's the 80m Club Sprint CW and activity night, then next weekend it's the Work all Europe DX CW contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk by Phil, 2E0GBF on the TS2000X on Wednesday. Next Saturday the Intermediate course continues with Chris, M0KJP and the Advanced course continues with Dave, G0EVA. For training information contact Dr David Lockwood, G4CLI, on 07748 221 855, and for general club information it's Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Monday 6 August Tyne and Wear Repeater Group is holding its AGM at Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club from 7.30pm. All are welcome. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 6 August Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on building your own HF antennas by Dave, G0BOR and Dennis, G4IAD. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 6 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding a social evening. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 7 August Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a members' night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 8 August Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air from 7.30pm on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 8 August Goole Radio and Electronics Society is holding a barbecue. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539., rpsmail73@btinternet.com

On Thursday 9 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on cooking with chillies. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

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NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 7 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 8 August Lothians Radio Society is holding an informal pub night. Contact Alan J Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

On Thursday 9 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a VHF fox hunt. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 10 August Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club has its 19th annual mini-rally night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Farnborough & District Radio Society is running an 80 metre slow CW net on 3.570MHz today from 1 to 2pm. There is a 2m net on Tuesday from 8 to 9pm on 144.675MHz. Friday sees an 80m CW net from 1 to 2pm on 3.570MHz, then a club Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8 until 9pm. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is dismantling its annual camp today, Sunday, and is closed on Friday. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 5 August Chippenham & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a radio boot sale at Chippenham Sea Cadet HQ, off Long Close, Chippenham. Contact G3VRE@hotmail.com.

On Sunday 5 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its monthly breakfast meeting at The Goring Caf© from 9am, then operating special event station GB4SLB at Selsey Lifeboat Station. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Monday 6 August Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is planning its summer camp planning and having a natter night with show and tell. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 6 August Burnham Beeches Radio Club is meeting at the pub. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 6 August East Kent Radio Society is closed. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 6 August Southdown Amateur Radio Society is meeting at Chaseley. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

On Monday 6 August Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 7 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 7 August Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having a social evening. Contact Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday 8 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members' forum and invites members to bring along their radio equipment.. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 8 August Darenth Valley Radio Society is on the air and having a natter night. The club aims to make as many contacts as possible on 40/20m during the evening. Details from Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 6 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday 8 August Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is looking at hills & islands. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday 8 August Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal social and construction evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 8 August Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding a barbecue in the Spinney. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday 8 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Peter Dodd, G3LDO. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 9 August Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a talk on valves by G3TCI. Details form Charles G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday 9 August Edgware & District Radio Society is closed for the summer break. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 9 August Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a club meeting. Contact David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday 9 August Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air at Woodford Park, hosted by Tom Cannon, G0VQR. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday 9 August Vange ARS is watching a DVD. More information from Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Thursday 9 August Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social with the GB3VH repeater group. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday 10 August Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on constructing and operating a low cost fox hunt transmitter by Mike, M0BLP. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 10 August Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is holding its Foundation exam. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday 10 August Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is holding a Bring & Buy table top sale. Details from Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 10 August Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232129.

On Saturday 11 August South Essex Amateur Radio Society is operating Olympic Games station GB1HF from the Island Yacht Club. Details from Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Sunday 12 August Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Flight Refuelling Hamfest and Royal Signals Museum at Blandford. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its 80m net on Monday at 19.45, the 2m net on Tuesday at 19.45 and the 4m net on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 6 August Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 6 August Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 8 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 9 August Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 9 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a portable HF evening in the car park. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 10 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and holding an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 6 August Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding the Chairman's quiz. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 7 August Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society has its annual barbecue and on the air night. Contact Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday 7 August Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the involvement of amateurs at Bletchley Park. Details from Carl Morris, MW0TBB, by email to tydraig@wrexham-ars.co.uk.

On Thursday 9 August Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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1435. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 12:48:13 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jvoeeh$7t5$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2352
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

<Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk> wrote in message
news:20120806120004.E598F33C6F@panix2.panix.com...
>
> Today, 5 August, the Chippenham & DARC Radio Boot Sale takes place at
> the Chippenham Sea Cadet HQ, off Long Close, Chippenham, approximate
> post code SN15 3JZ. Doors open at 9am for booters, 5 per boot, foot
> entry is 1 on the gate, with under 16s free. There is an on site car
> park and visitors are asked not to park in Long Close.
>

So, how do the RSCB represent, "all radio amateurs and short wave listeners"
when they hold back notice of an event until the day after for those of us
who
live within walking distance, less than half a mile away?

1436. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 14:39:53 UTC
From: "Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <RGQTr.886932$Nc1.680922@fx33.am4>
Source record: 2353
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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look upon it as them doing you a favour.......

1437. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 14:59:48 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jvom57mqe1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2354
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
news:RGQTr.886932$Nc1.680922@fx33.am4...
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Ehktually, I did know it was on, because it was the Chairman of
the local radio club who had called on me a week ago today to lend
me his Vibroplex, but I'd forgotten all about it.

A reminder would have been useful, but my comment was intended as a
political criticism of the new politburo regime at Bedford sewage works, who
seemed to follow a common trend in re-organising social clubs. ie, they
feel that "something must be done" and get themselves elected on a reforming
manifesto, but when they arrive in the hot seat, they haven't a clue about
what is to be their strategy for arriving at their target.

Delaying the news bulletin and charging for the use of the QSL buro seem
to me to be two destructive and vindictive actions, not in keeping with
a positive mental attitude of "something must be done".

1438. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 15:26:33 UTC
From: "Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <CmRTr.594087$Re2.68796@fx25.am4>
Source record: 2355
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> a positive mental attitude of "something must be done".
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they did get rid of brian so they can't be all bad ......

1439. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 30 July - 05 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 15:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120806153002.7386E33C6F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2356
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Aug 06 0759 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
30 July - 05 August 2012

Solar activity was at low to moderate levels. The summary period
began at moderate levels due to an M1/Sn flare at 30/1548Z from
Region 1536 (S22, L=173, class/area Eao/100 on 01 August). Later on
30 July, Region 1538 (S22, L=117, class/area Eso/220 on 04 August)
produced a C6 x-ray event with Type II (730 km/s) and Type IV radio
signatures and an associated non-Earth-directed CME. From 31 July
through the remainder of the summary period, solar activity was at
low levels. On 04 August, Region 1539 (S22, L=099, class/area
Cro/030 on 02 August) produced a long duration event (LDE) that
began at 04/1104Z, peaked at 04/1500Z and ended at 04/1649Z.
Associated with this event was an Earth-directed, partial halo CME
with an estimated velocity of 905 km/s. Other activity of note
included an LDE from Region 1535 (N18, L=135, class/area Eai/150 on
01 August). At 31/1130Z, the region produced a C5/Sf with Type II
(880 km/s) and Type IV radio signatures and an associated
non-Earth-directed CME. Later in the day, Region 1536 produced a
C4/Sf at 31/1727Z with a Type II (592 km/s) radio signature. On 02
August, a C1 x-ray event was recorded in the vicinity of old Region
1526 (S17, L=273) which rotated around the west limb on 01 August.
Associated with this event was a non-Earth-directed CME. Region 1539
produced a C2/1f flare at 03/0600Z with a Type II (622 km/s) radio
signature and a non-Earth-directed CME.

A greater than 10 MeV proton enhancement at geosynchronous orbit was
observed late on 02 August through midday on 03 August with a peak
of 1 pfu at 02/1820Z. This enhancement was most likely associated
with the 02 August limb event.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels throughout the summary period.
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Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm conditions. The period began at quiet to unsettled levels with isolated active intervals due to a period of sustained southward IMF Bz to -8 nT from about 30/ 0600 - 1800Z. From 31 July to midday on 02 August, quiet levels were observed. At about 02/1000Z, the 28 July CME arrived at the ACE spacecraft producing active to minor storm periods from 02/1200 - 2100Z. During this time frame, IMF Bz was negative multiple times, peaking at about -12 nT at 02/1220Z while solar wind readings indicated a slight increase from near 450 km/s to about 500 km/s. For the remainder of the summary period, quiet to unsettled conditions prevailed.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
06 August - 01 September 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels through 14 August as Regions 1539 and 1540 (S27, L=087, class/area Dso/110 on 05 August) rotate off the visible disk. From 15 - 20 August, mostly low levels are expected. A return to low to moderate levels is expected from 21 August - 01 September as Regions 1532 (S20, L=185, class/area Fho/510 on 28 July) and 1536 rotate back onto the visible disk.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event at geosynchronous orbit is possible through 14 August as Regions 1539 and 1540 traverse the visible disk and again from 21 August - 01 September as Regions 1532 and 1536 rotate back onto the visible disk.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels throughout the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominately quiet levels from 06 - 07 August. Quiet to unsettled conditions with isolated active intervals are expected on 08 - 09 August due to glancing blow effects from the 04 August CME. Predominately quiet conditions are expected from 10 - 18 August, 21 - 23 August, and 27 August - 01 September. Quiet to unsettled conditions with isolated active intervals are expected from 19 - 20 August and again from 24 - 26 August due to weak coronal hole high-speed stream effects.

1440. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 6 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 16:13:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9bd9d6ef1004c69b28fb@google.com>
Source record: 2357
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Southeastern US Special Event Station W4T NVIS Test

Posted: 05 Aug 2012 11:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356659-Southeastern-US-Special-Event-Station-W4T-NVIS-Test&goto=newpost

I should have posted this announcement in this forum instead of the General Section:

The 2nd Brigade of the Tennessee State Guard will be operating Special Event Station W4T under emergency field conditions from 17-19 August 2012 from their training area just outside of Tullahoma TN.

This operating time will be an addition to our operations on Military/MARS frequencies, and we would like to have signal reports from all Tennessee Counties as well as from hams in the Southeast US Region.

We will be QRV on 80 and 40 meters SSB/CW/PSK31 along with some 2 meter FM Simplex work. We'll be using NVIS antennas on HF and Vertical yagis on 2 meters. After 19 August the test will continue from Dickson TN EM66 until 29 August 2012.

All hams are invited to contact us and exchange signal reports during this time.

Please give this information the widest possible publication. We look forward to contacting you.

QSL via W4ETT.

73

Don

W4ETT

1441. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 6 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 16:16:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52999e30b9eb804c69b337a@google.com>
Source record: 2358
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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RFinder - The Worldwide Repeater Directory introduces "Bring a Friend"

Posted: 05 Aug 2012 05:16 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356614-RFinder-The-Worldwide-Repeater-Directory-introduces-quot-Bring-a-Friend-quot&goto=newpost

New promo "Bring a Friend" to the WWRD

For every user you bring on to RFinder - The World Wide Repeater Directory
you will get 2 months added to your subscription! No limit! For instance
if you bring 6 users you get a year free!

To redeem:

Go to http://coupon.rfinder.net

put in for a COUPON CODE your friend's email used in RFinder

put in for an EMAIL ADDRESS your email used in RFinder

"Fine print"...

Please allow one week for the extension to process.

This promo is good for users signed up on or after 5 August, 2012

This offer can be withdrawn or modified at any time.

1442. eHam.net News for Monday 6 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-06 22:40:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934109d31bc9804c6a08f88@google.com>
Source record: 2359
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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City To Enlist Volunteer Corps to Help Keep Vancouver Safe:

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 03:45 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28752

Group will be tasked with responding to disasters as well as working community events, such as the Celebration of Light: For more than 30 years, Bryan Farrar has been volunteering as an amateur radio operator, providing a vital communications link when telephones or a more recent invention, the Internet - stop working. He's still waiting for the Big One, the levelling earthquake that will call on his honed skills to reconnect disconnected communities. In the meantime, he offers nearly 400 hours of his life every year to coordinate HAM radio services through the city's Vancouver Emergency Community Telecommunications Organization. This month he and his wife Linda, also an amateur radio operator, began taking on new volunteer roles in Vancouver, patrolling public events such as the Honda Celebration of Light fireworks festival as part of an initiative by the city to set up a volunteer corps. On Saturday night, and again on Wednesday, they found themselves at English Bay directing people, providing information and relaying information by radio to a central command.

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Growth Continues for the ILLW:

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 03:45 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28751

With less than two weeks to go, the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend continues to growing in its 15th year. The 48 hour fun event has steadily grown from the 158 in its first year and most of those early registrations continue to be involved. In the United Kingdom there are 60, and half of those can be found in England. There are plenty throughout Europe including Germany on 52 and The Netherlands 25. North, Central and South America have more than 80 stations registered with Argentina, Canada, Chile, Curacao, Honduras, Mexico, Panama and Puerto Rico plus 55 in the USA. Nearly 70 been received from Australia and New Zealand, South Africa has 15 and no matter where you are there will be plenty to work. Most issue special QSL cards.

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Update on Draft PLT standard prEN50561-1:

Posted: 05 Aug 2012 03:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28750

In 2011 a PLT EMC standard known as prEN 50561-1 was proposed by CENELEC. This proposed standard was rejected by a majority of the National Standards Committees (NCs) of the EU countries who approve all new standards. Many NCs made comments to help improve the draft and some comments questioned the very high radio pollution levels that would be permitted from PLT devices. Other comments would have helped to improve the test methodology. Usually in these situations the CENELEC committee preparing the proposed standard would take note and make changes that reflect the comments with the aim of achieving full consensus of all stakeholders.<

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Southeast US Special Event Station W4T NVIS Test:

Posted: 05 Aug 2012 03:23 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28749

The 2nd Brigade of the Tennessee State Guard will be operating Special Event Station W4T under emergency field conditions from 17-19 August 2012 from their training area just outside of Tullahoma TN.

1443. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 6 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 03:06:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51718f1a7d49a04c6a446f3@google.com>
Source record: 2360
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Mars link for Timaru man - Stuff.co.nz

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 03:58 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGb8-F1fZZNvjrjsWgxVHQ4--ntHg&url=http://www.stuff.co.nz/timaru-herald/news/7426497/Mars-link-for-Timaru-man

Stuff.co.nz
Mars link for Timaru man
Stuff.co.nz
Timaru amateur radio enthusiast and technology buff George Boorer watched with anticipation as Nasas Curiosity sent a signal from Mars. It was a moment he had waited 12 months for after receiving news that his name would be encoded on a chip aboard ...

and more

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NCVEC Holds 2012 Annual Meeting - ARRL

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 05:42 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFOryrTklMqpAff33LXFPG4SglZpQ&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/ncvec-holds-2012-annual-meeting

NCVEC Holds 2012 Annual Meeting
ARRL
She declared that she has seen an increase this year in the number of complaints filed, as well as an increase in Amateur Radio enforcement needs. The FCC has hundreds of grievances that they are working on concerning harmful interference and disputes ...

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Amateur Radio Exams at the RSGB Convention - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Aug 2012 11:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH5jlevgYemv893oe3Gr0ti4OVj6Q&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/amateur_radio_exams_at_the_rsgb_convention.htm

Amateur Radio Exams at the RSGB Convention
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio Exams at the RSGB Convention. Steve Hartley G0FUW reports it is intended that all thee levels of the Amateur Radio Exam will be available at the RSGB Convention which takes place October 12-14. Steve says: Details are still being worked ...

1444. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 06:05:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1344319500@panix.com>
Source record: 2361
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1445. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1344319800@panix.com>
Source record: 2362
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
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For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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1446. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 7 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 06:36:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e3104c21c04c6a7379a@google.com>
Source record: 2363
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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RSGB Convention LOG4OM presentation

Posted: 31 Jul 2012 02:31 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356053-RSGB-Convention-LOG4OM-presentation&goto=newpost

There will be a presentation of the new LOG4OM free logbook program at the
RSGB Convention in October this year.

The presentation is scheduled for 11.15am on the Sunday and it will be
given by Terry Genes G4POP.

Topics to be covered will be...

Installation and use of the program for the everyday Ham

Integration with external software

Contest an DXPedition use

Presentation of new program features.

How to get the best from a logging program

Plus some exciting news about the future of this free logging program.

Terry G4POP

1447. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 10:02:51 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jvqp4e$2h6$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2364
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"gareth" <no.spam@thank.you.invalid> wrote in message
news:jvom57mqe1@dont-email.me...
>
> A reminder would have been useful, but my comment was intended as a
> political criticism of the new politburo regime at Bedford sewage works,
> who
> seemed to follow a common trend in re-organising social clubs. ie, they
> feel that "something must be done" and get themselves elected on a
> reforming
> manifesto, but when they arrive in the hot seat, they haven't a clue about
> what is to be their strategy for arriving at their target.
>

... and here is the evidence. They don't seem to have much of a clue as to
what was the motivation behind their reforming zeal. Surely one gets elected
to enact one's own manifesto, but "elect me and I'll do anything you want me
to do" seems to be several crosses short of a ballot paper to me ...

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/rsgb_interim_board_strategy_and_governance_con
sultation.htm

1448. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 10:15:30 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <jvqps5$671$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2365
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"gareth" <no.spam@thank.you.invalid> wrote in message
news:jvqp4e$2h6$1@dont-email.me...
> "gareth" <no.spam@thank.you.invalid> wrote in message
> news:jvom57mqe1@dont-email.me...
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1449. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 7 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 11:08:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303b3ba3fda43904c6ab02e4@google.com>
Source record: 2366
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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NASA's Curiosity Rover caught in the act of landing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0IaNtUWYBVQ/nasa_curiosity_rover_caught_in_the_act_of_landing.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An image from the High Resolution Imaging Science Experiment (HiRISE) camera aboard NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter (MRO) captured the Curiosity rover still connected to its 51-foot (almost 16 meter)-wide parachute as it descended toward its landing site at Gale Crater Sunday

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Consultation now running on RSGB Interim Board Strategy and Governance proposals

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rbC9QtCQeAE/rsgb_interim_board_strategy_and_governance_consultation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Consultations are now running on the RSGB Interim Board proposals on Strategy and Governance. All members are encouraged to share their views, on what are arguably the most important consultations that the Society has ever undertaken

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Northern California DX Foundation gets big funds boost

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Khg-ccASi_o/ncdxf_gets_big_funds_boost.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Northern California DX Foundation is the recipient of a 4000 USDs donation from the Northern California DX Club. This is the largest donation ever received from a club

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437 MHz - Curiosity - Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter Frequencies

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ByBTtqqfgXw/mars_reconnaissance_orbiter_frequencies.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Mar Rover Curiosity transmits around 401 MHz but the transponder on the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter (MRO) has a CCSDS Forward Frequency in the 437

MHz Amateur-Satellite Service band

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9M, Spratly Islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yVZbo7qzfHY/spratly_islands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Just a reminder that operators John 9M6XRO and Steve 9M6DXX will be active as 9M4SLL from Pulau Layang Layang, Spratly Islands (AS-051) this week between August 7-13th

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ARISS contact on EchoLink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7Z6jTioz5NU/ariss_audio_event_0908.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to an International Space Station school contact planned with participants at the Canada Science and Technology Museum Summer Day Camps on Thursday, August 9 at 18:39 UTC

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Call for papers to emergency conference

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g4FaZlD-EtY/call_for_papers_to_emergency_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Invitations have been issued to attend MYGAREC 2012, the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference on November 12 to 14, in Port Dickson, Malaysia

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IRESC has highest UN status as a NGO

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xvpqr6WPWxw/iresc_has_highest_un_status_as_a_ngo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) at its substantive session of July 2012 adopted the recommendation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to grant special consultative status to the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition (IRESC)

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RSGB statement criticises PLT growth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sOiVa2ll5ic/rsgb_statement_criticises_plt_growth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has issued a statement expressing grave concern at the continuing headlong rush to legitimise high levels of emission from PLT devices, in

contravention of the Essential Requirements of the EMC Directive

1450. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-045E - New Ontario Section Boundaries

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 14:18:57 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50210527.9010503@rac.ca>
Source record: 2367
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-045E - New Ontario Section Boundaries
2012-08-06

I am very pleased to announce that on schedule, September 1, 2012 the current Ontario Section will be replaced by four new Sections: Ontario North (ONN), Ontario East (ONE), Ontario South (ONS), and the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). The new sections are composed of the following municipalities, regions, and municipal districts.

I am also thrilled to advise that all four Section Manager Positions have been filled and I will circulate a formal introduction in the week to come.

Ontario North (ONN)

All of northwest Ontario including Manitoulin Island, Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands, Killarney, the cities of Greater Sudbury and North Bay and Nipissing District.

Ontario East (ONE)

Algonquin Park, Renfrew, Hastings, Prince Edward, Haliburton, Peterborough and Northhumberland Counties, and the cities and counties to the east.

Greater Toronto Area (GTA)

The City of Toronto and the Regions of Halton (including the City of Burlington), Peel, York, and Durham.

Ontario South (ONS)

Parry Sound District, the counties of Simcoe, Grey, Bruce, Dufferin, Wellington, the City of Hamilton, the Region of Niagara, and the remainder of south-western Ontario.

Please see attached map.

http:///www.rac.ca/en/news/bulletins/2012/Ont_Section_Boundaries._Ver_2.jpg

The ARRL has recognized the four new sections and they will be effective for the ARRL November Sweepstakes. Several other vendors of logging/contest software have also announced changes, some not effective until January 2013. Please verify with your vendor well in advance of upcoming contests.

73,

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

Bulletin de RAC 2012-045F - Nouvelles d&#65533;limitations des sections de
l'Ontario
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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1451. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 5th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 15:26:43 UTC
From: John Benn <MrBenn_usenet@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <jvrc3m$g79$6@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2368
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"gareth" <no.spam@thank.you.invalid> wrote in message
news:jvqps5$671$1@dont-email.me...
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>>> A reminder would have been useful, but my comment was intended as a
>>> political criticism of the new politburo regime at Bedford sewage works,
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Why are you talking to yourself?

1452. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 7 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 16:15:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411b5847eb804c6af4b8c@google.com>
Source record: 2369
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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(IRESC) Granted United Nations Highest Amateur Radio Status

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 04:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356803-(IRESC)-Granted-United-Nations-Highest-Amateur-Radio-Status&goto=newpost

International Radio Emergency Support Coalition (IRESC) Organization in
Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council since
2012 PRESS RELEASE August 6, 2012

Greetings:

To all concerned:

The United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) at its substantive session of July 2012 adopted the recommendation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to grant special consultative status to the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition (IRESC).

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IRESC is a worldwide coalition of volunteer communicators, with dedicated members spread around the globe, providing assistance to those in need at all times of day or night.

UN NGO Accreditation: The Conditions

Generally, UN accreditation or affiliation is done either through the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) or the Department of Public Information (DPI).

The qualifier for UN accreditation of an NGO is that the aims and purposes of the organization shall be in conformity with the spirit, purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations" - in the case of ECOSOC accreditation, ?promote knowledge of the principles and activities of the United Nations.- in the case of DPI accreditation, and "support the Charter of the United Nations - in the case of accreditation by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

I. Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) accreditation: There are three categories of ECOSOC accreditation available to NGOs: general consultative

status, special consultative status, and roster. These are the rules surrounding the process of accreditation. Three Categories:

General Special Roster "Once an application from an NGO has been reviewed and approved by the Committee [on NGOs] it is only considered recommended for consultative status. As soon as possible during its next meeting, the Economic and Social Council reviews these recommendations, takes note of the Committee's report and makes the decisions final."

b. What promises or undertakings are required to be entitled to accreditation:

Resolution 1996/31 " The following principles shall be applied in establishing consultative relations with non-governmental organizations: The aims and purposes of the organization shall be in conformity with the spirit, purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

The organization shall undertake to support the work of the United Nations and to promote knowledge of its principles and activities, in accordance with its own aims and purposes and the nature and scope of its competence and activities.

Consultative relationships may be established with international, regional, sub regional and national organizations, in conformity with the Charter of the United Nations and the principles and criteria established under the present resolution.

The consultative status of non-governmental organizations with the Economic and Social Council and the listing of those on the Roster shall be suspended up to three years or withdrawn in the following cases:

(a) If an organization, either directly or through its affiliates or representatives acting on its behalf, clearly abuses its status by engaging in a pattern of acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations including unsubstantiated or politically motivated acts against Member States of the United Nations incompatible with those purposes and principles;

1. General Consultative Status:

a. What is it:

Resolution 1996/31 "22. Organizations that are concerned with most of the activities of the Council and its subsidiary bodies and can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Council that they have substantive and sustained contributions to make to the achievement of the objectives of the United Nations in fields set out in paragraph 1 above, and are closely involved with the economic and social life of the peoples of the areas they represent and whose membership, which should be considerable, is broadly representative of major segments of society in a large number of countries in different regions of the world shall be known as organizations in general consultative status."

b. To what does it entitle the organization:

Resolution 1996/31 " Organizations in general consultative status may propose to the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations that the Committee request the Secretary-General to place items of special interest to the organizations in the provisional agenda of the Council.

Organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status may designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the Council and its subsidiary bodies. Those on the Roster may have representatives present at such meetings concerned with matters within their field of competence. These attendance arrangements may be supplemented to include other modalities of participation.

Written statements relevant to the work of the Council may be submitted by organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status on subjects in which these organizations have a special competence. Such statements shall be circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the members of the Council, except those statements that have become obsolete, for example, those dealing with matters already disposed of and those that had already been circulated in some other form.

(a) The Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations shall make recommendations to the Council as to which organizations in general consultative status should make an oral presentation to the Council and on which items they should be heard. Such organizations shall be entitled to make one statement to the Council, subject to the approval of the Council. (b) Whenever the Council discusses the substance of an item proposed by a non-governmental organization in general consultative status and included in the agenda of the Council, such an organization shall be entitled to present orally to the Council, as appropriate, an introductory statement of an expository nature. Such an organization may be invited by the President of the Council, with the consent of the relevant body, to make, in the course of the discussion of the item before the Council, an additional statement for purposes of clarification.

Organizations in general consultative status may propose items for the provisional agenda of commissions.

Organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status may designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the commissions and other subsidiary organs of the Council.

Written statements relevant to the work of the commissions or other subsidiary organs may be submitted by organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status on subjects for which these organizations have a special competence.

(a) The commission or other subsidiary organs may consult with organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status either directly or through a committee or committees established for the purpose. In all cases, such consultations may be arranged upon the request of the organization;

Non-governmental organizations in general consultative status, special consultative status and on the Roster, that express their wish to attend the relevant international conferences convened by the United Nations and the meetings of the preparatory bodies of the said conferences shall as a rule be accredited for participation.

(c) Organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status shall submit to the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations through the Secretary-General every fourth year a brief report of their activities, specifically as regards the support they have given to the work of the United Nations. Based on findings of the Committee's examination of the report and other relevant information, the Committee may recommend to the Council any reclassification in status of the organization concerned as it deems appropriate. However, under exceptional circumstances, the Committee may ask for such a report from an individual organization in general consultative status or special consultative status or on the Roster, between the regular reporting dates;

All organizations in consultative relationship shall be able to consult with officers of the appropriate sections of the Secretariat on matters in which there is a mutual interest or a mutual concern. Such consultation shall be upon the request of the non-governmental organization or upon the request of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The Secretary-General may request organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status and those on the Roster to carry out specific studies or prepare specific papers, subject to the relevant financial regulations.

The Secretary-General shall be authorized, within the means at his disposal, to offer to non-governmental organizations in consultative relationship facilities that include:

(a) Prompt and efficient distribution of such documents of the Council and its subsidiary bodies as shall in the judgment of the Secretary-General be appropriate; (b) Access to the press documentation services provided by the United Nations; (c) Arrangement of informal discussions on matters of special interest to groups or organizations; (d) Use of the libraries of the United Nations; (e) Provision of accommodation for conferences or smaller meetings of consultative organizations on the work of the Economic and Social Council; (f) Appropriate seating arrangements and facilities for obtaining documents during public meetings of the General Assembly dealing with matters in the economic, social and related fields."

c. Which NGOs have it: No Amateur Radio NGO has this status at this time.

2. Special Consultative Status: a. What is it:

Resolution 1996/31 Organizations that have a special competence in, and are concerned specifically with, only a few of the fields of activity covered by the Council and its subsidiary bodies, and that are known within the fields for which they have or seek consultative status shall be known as organizations in special consultative status.

Organizations to be accorded special consultative status because of their interest in the field of human rights should pursue the goals of promotion and protection of human rights in accordance with the spirit of the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action."

To what does it entitle the organization:

Resolution 1996/31 Organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status may designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the Council and its subsidiary bodies.

Those on the Roster may have representatives present at such meetings concerned with matters within their field of competence. These attendance arrangements may be supplemented to include other modalities of participation.

Written statements relevant to the work of the Council may be submitted by organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status on subjects in which these organizations have a special competence. Such statements shall be circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the members of the Council, except those statements that have become obsolete, for example, those dealing with matters already disposed of and those that had already been circulated in some other form.

(a) In the absence of a subsidiary body of the Council with jurisdiction in a major field of interest to the Council and to organizations in special consultative status, the Committee may recommend that organizations in special consultative status be heard by the Council on the subject in its field of interest;

Organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status may designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the commissions and other subsidiary organs of the Council.

Written statements relevant to the work of the commissions or other subsidiary organs may be submitted by organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status on subjects for which these organizations have a special competence.

(a) The commission or other subsidiary organs may consult with organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status either directly or through a committee or committees established for the purpose. In all cases, such consultations may be arranged upon the request of the organization;

(b) Non-governmental organizations in general consultative status, special consultative status and on the Roster, that express their wish to attend the relevant international conferences convened by the United Nations and the meetings of the preparatory bodies of the said conferences shall as a rule be accredited for participation.

(c) Organizations in general consultative status and special consultative status shall submit to the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations through the Secretary-General every fourth year a brief report of their activities, specifically as regards the support they have given to the work of the United Nations. Based on findings of the Committee's examination of the report and other relevant information, the Committee may recommend to the Council any reclassification in status of the organization concerned as it deems appropriate. However, under exceptional circumstances, the Committee may ask for such a report from an individual organization in general consultative status or special consultative status or on the Roster, between the regular reporting dates;

All organizations in consultative relationship shall be able to consult with officers of the appropriate sections of the Secretariat on matters in which there is a mutual interest or a mutual concern. Such consultation shall be upon the request of the non-governmental organization or upon the request of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

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Which NGOs have it:

IRESC International Radio Emergency Support Coalition Special Consultative Status and IRESC is presently the highest status conferred upon an Amateur Radio NGO in the United Nations.

#3. Roster status: a. What is it:

Resolution 1996/31 "24. Other organizations that do not have general or special consultative status but that the Council, or the Secretary-General of the United Nations in consultation with the Council or its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, considers can make occasional and useful contributions to the work of the Council or its subsidiary bodies or other United Nations bodies within their competence shall be included in a list (to be known as the Roster)."

b. To what does it entitle the organization:

Resolution 1996/31 "Organizations on the Roster may have representatives present at [public] meetings that are concerned with matters within their field of competence?

(f) The Secretary-General, in consultation with the President of the Council, or the Council or its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, may invite organizations on the Roster to submit written statements.

(b) On the recommendation of the Secretary-General and at the request of the commission or other subsidiary organs, organizations on the Roster may also be heard by the commission or other subsidiary organs.

Non-governmental organizations in general consultative status, special consultative status and on the Roster, that express their wish to attend the relevant international conferences convened by the United Nations and the meetings of the preparatory bodies of the said conferences shall as a rule be accredited for participation.

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the United Nations; (e) Provision of accommodation for conferences or smaller meetings of consultative organizations on the work of the Economic and Social Council; (f) Appropriate seating arrangements and facilities for obtaining documents during public meetings of the General Assembly dealing with matters in the economic, social and related fields."

Which NGOs have it: International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Roster Status and Observer and IARU is presently the 2ndhighest status conferred upon an Amateur Radio NGO in the United Nations and the oldest at this time.

The IARU is recognized by the United Nations as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) by virtue of its consultative status with other United Nations bodies, i.e., the ITU. The ITU recognizes the IARU as an international organization (CV/Art.19, No. 230).

Therefore, IRESC has a special duly and obligations to the United Nations and all legal organizations and persons.

IRESC duly also extends to other important issues beside amateur radio as well in our special status.

IRESC officially extends this open letter to all concerned; including the IARU and the ARRL and any legally recognized Amateur Organizations as mandated by the United Nations guidelines.

IRESC is a major Amateur Radio Organization that will hold conference with various organizations that are respectful and in willing to helping the world in conjunction with the United Nations programs and resources. We will include this in our reports to the United Nations and encourage you to join IRESC at: www.irescintl.com/

There are many Amateur Radio Organizations that are not legally recognized by the United Nations standards. These are some of the reasons:

(a) Said Amateur Radio Organization does not respect customs and any laws or rule of land by failure to register their organization legally and be accountable and recognized. This has occurred with revoked IRESC former members, who fail to obey this, yet promote a worldwide recognized Amateur Radio Organization and may even attend or participate in seminars and conferences attended by United Nations recognized agencies or NGO□s.

(b)The International Telecommunication Union (Union internationale des télécommunications, in French), previously the International Telegraph Union, is the specialized agency of the United Nations which is responsible for information and communication technologies. ITU coordinates the shared global use of the radio spectrum, promotes international cooperation in assigning satellite orbits, works to improve telecommunication infrastructure in the developing world and establishes worldwide standards. This includes the Amateur radio operators.

ITU is based in Geneva, Switzerland, is a member of the United Nations Development Group

[1] and its membership includes 193 Member States and around 700 Sector Members and Associates. A good example is the IARU who works as a NGO with them, this could not be done if the IARU and IRESC were not in guidelines to the United Nations as described in paragraph (a) or it associates who were in conflict with said United Nations mandates and guidelines.

So IRESC respects and looks forward to working with all concerned and is excited of its status with the United Nations as a NGO.

IRESC is a worldwide coalition of volunteer communicators, with dedicated members spread around the globe, providing assistance to those in need at all times of day or night.

Currently, IRESC has members in at least 40 countries and it continues to grow. Most members are also affiliated with their respective national organisations; for example, the International Red Cross, the Magen David Adom, the Salvation Army, RAYNET, local amateur radio clubs, along with many others.

Consultative status for an organization enables it to actively engage with ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, as well as with the United Nations Secretariat, programmes, funds and agencies in a number of ways, including opportunities to consult with member states and the United Nations system at large.

IRESC therefore wishes to thank all those who have supported the organization from its inception. IRESC is committed to working with all stakeholders locally, regionally and internationally as it seeks to contribute towards the implementation of the United Nations Millennium Development Goals.

In Trinidad and Tobago, the Trinidad and Tobago Amateur Radio League (TTARL), a registered NGO, is closely affiliated with IRESC. Mr. Julien Dedier, chairman of the TTARL is also President of IRESC Trinidad and Tobago.

In the USA , Carl E Caracol President of IRESC , Salvadore Torres Senior VP , Karl E. Arriola, USA East, Richard F Buckley, Emergency Mgt. USA

In Turkey IRESC President Urcun CANEL

In Israel IRESC President PINI (PINCHAS) AVIV

In Italy IRESC President Massimo Giuseppe MALDARIZZI

In Israel IRESC President PINI (PINCHAS) AVIV

In India IRESC President Bharathi Devulapalli Prasad

In United Kingdom IRESC President Stephen Williams

In Portugal IRESC President JOAO MANUEL DUARTE PARRA PLACIDO

In Pakistan IRESC President Khalid Shoaib

All IRESC Members and Supporters

The United Nations committees and councils and all the persons and support from various organizations that encouraged us and supported us.

Sincerely,

International Radio Emergency Support Coalition

Carol Caracol

President/ United Nations Officer

Salvadore Torres

Senior Vice President/ Director of Presidents/United Nations Officer.

Julien Dedier/IRESC Board of Directors/ President of IRESC Trinidad and Tobago/ United Nations Officer

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ANS-218 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

August 5, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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AMSAT-UK Colloquium 2012

The AMSAT-UK Colloquium 2012 will be held at the Holiday Inn, Egerton Road, Guildford GU2 7XZ starting at 1000 am on Saturday 15 September, and finishing at approximately 17.00 pm on Sunday 16 September 2012.

The colloquium attracts an international audience from across Europe as well as North America and the Middle East. Attendees range from the builders of the CubeSats and Nanosats, those who communicate through them and beginners who wish to find out more about this fascinating branch of the hobby.

This event provides a rare opportunity to chat with satellite designers and builders, discussions frequently continue until the early hours of the morning.

There will be a beginner's session starting approximately 4pm on Friday 14 September. A Friday Night dinner will be held at the hotel. If you wish to attend, please contact Jim Heck by email at g3wgm@amsat.org at least one week before the event.

A Gala dinner is held on the Saturday evening along with the fund raising auction.

Call for Speakers and Papers

AMSAT-UK invites speakers, to cover topics about micro-satellites, CubeSats, Nanosats, space and associated activities, for this event. They are also invited to submit papers for the "Proceedings" document which will be published at the same time but printed papers are not mandatory. We normally prefer authors to present talks themselves rather than having someone else give them in the authors' absence. We also welcome "unpresented" papers for the Proceedings document.

Submissions should be sent ONLY to David Johnson G4DPZ, via these routes:

e-mail: david dot johnson at blackpepper dot co dot uk.Postal address at http://www.qrz.com/db/G4DPZ

Change in Booking Procedures

There is a booking change this year. Do not book your room with the hotel. Instead you need to book your room with AMSAT-UK at the on-line shop: http://shop.amsat.org.uk - the hotel will only hold rooms reserved for AMSAT-UK until August 24. If you book after this date, you risk there not

being a room available.

Also, Saturday's Gala Dinner must be booked in advance in the on-line shop.

Additional accommodation package information can be found on the 2012 Colloquium web pages: http://www.uk.amsat.org/colloquium/twelve

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Russian Satellite RS-40 Yubileiny-2 Launched

A Russian research satellite, with experiments built by students and research staff of the Siberian State Aerospace University and launched on July 28. Signals from RS-40 on 435.365 MHz were first reported by Maik Hermenau on the AMSAT-DL mailing list.

Jan, PE0SAT published information about RS-40 on his web page. While the new satellite uses amateur 70cm downlinks it does not appear to include an amateur radio mission. Details of the downlink signalling protocol have not been made available.

Yubileiny-2 mission aboard this 65 kilograms satellite includes testing advanced technological solutions to be incorporated into future missions:

Contoured heat pipesNew technological enhancements for onboard radio equipment.Small-sized attitude control elements including magnetic torquers.Testing optical properties of solar concentrators using an experimental solar panel module.Compact navigation receiver using the GLONASS and GPS technology.

Siberian State Aerospace University student built components and experiments include:

Earth sensing technology with a camera observing the earth surface.Small WeB-camera to continuously observe the satellite's deployment mechanisms and monitor the performance of satellite components, structures and instruments made of advanced composite materials.

Jan, PE0SAT reports that the signals he received from RS-40 switch between two downlink frequencies:

Signals were first copied on 435.265 MHz FM,Then switched to 435.365 MHz FM.After about six minutes the received waterfall patern changed and there where only signals on 435.365 MHz FM

Jan posted details of the received signals at: http://www.pe0sat.vgnet.nl/2012/i-re...ta-from-rs-40/ He includes 2-line orbital elements as well as audio samples and screenshots of the received signals on this page.

First signal reports from RS-40 are documented at:

http://www.pe0sat.vgnet.nl/2012/firs...ls-from-rs-40/

[ANS thanks Jan, PE0SAT for the above information]

MSU Attracts NASA Attention With Computer System for Space

Evelyn Boswell for MSU News Service

Bozeman MT (SPX) Jul 30, 2012

http://tinyurl.com/MSU-Experiment (www.spacemart.com)

Two Montana State University graduate students who are building a radiation-proof computer system for use in space have received an extra boost from NASA. Justin Hogan and Raymond Weber recently learned that their project with faculty member Brock LaMeres was one of 14 selected by NASA for development and demonstration on commercial launch vehicles in 2013 or 2014.

The Montana State University cubesat, William A. Hiscock Radiation Belt Explorer, has been orbiting the Earth since Oct. 28, 2011.

MSU's computer system is designed to lay on top of a reprogrammable hardware fabric, LaMeres said. If the system works the way it's designed, it will detect radiation and high-energy particles. If radiation strikes - or looks like it will strike - an active circuit, the computer system can shut down the active circuit and use one of the abundant spare circuits. As a result, astronauts may be able to get by with less shielding than they currently carry into space to

protect their computers. They should also be able to work without stopping to fix computer malfunctions.

NASA launched a flight test of their computer aboard a rocket on June 21 from Wallops Island. The rocket soared 73 miles above the Atlantic Ocean, exposing the experiments to zero-gravity and the radiation found in 11 miles of space. Within 15 minutes of launch, the rocket splashed down about two miles from Wallops Island. A commercial fishing boat retrieved the experiments and returned them to the students for analysis.

Hogan and Weber are wrapping up their work on their radiation-tolerant, reconfigurable computer system so it will it into a cube approximately four inches on each side. The cube will head to the Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility at Fort Sumner, N.M. to be launched in early September as part of the High Altitude Student Platform (HASP) program through NASA and the Louisiana Space Consortium. The high-altitude balloon is expected to carry the computer system 22 miles above Earth and stay aloft for 15 to 20 hours.

Read the full article at the link above.

[ANS thanks Montana State University and SpaceMart.com for the above information]

Olympic Station 2o12W Active on the Amateur Radio Satellites

Olympic Flagship Special Event Station 2 Oscar 12 Whiskey (2o12W) has been active on the amateur radio satellites working stations in the USA and across Europe.

The 2o12W satellite station has been operated by Ken Eaton, GW1FKY a member of the Barry Amateur Radio Club and AMSAT-UK.

The satellite equipment comprises a Kenwood TS2000 feeding a 5 element dual-band "Elk" antenna mounted on a rotator on the portable cabin about 2.5 meters (8 feet) above the ground.

Ken says the station is located on the promenade and the many electrical amusements in the Fairground generate considerable interference on the VHF/UHF bands which has made reception difficult.

The station 2o12W is planned to be on-the-air until September.

For photos and more information see:

http://www.uk.amsat.org/9322

http://www.2o12w.com/

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Kickstarter Fund Raiser for Ham Radio at South Florida Museum

The West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group has built and operates a permanent Amateur Radio exhibit at the South Florida Science Museum in West Palm Beach Florida.

Both the Museum and the amateur radio group are non-profit entities. The museum gave the space for the exhibit but everything from the carpet on the floor, the paint on the walls, the overhead lighting, the electrical wiring and up has been donated and supplied by club members and limited supporters.

Presently the amateur radio facilities are on the very modest side. They operate on loaned radios and wire antennas. The club says, "We get hundreds of youngsters visiting our exhibit every week, only a handful get to experience that 'Lasting Moment of First Excitement' due to our limited facilities."

The club has started an on-line pledge drive using Kickstarter to meet their goal of more modern radio and put up a tower next to the building with an antenna on it that will be high enough to get over the substation next door.

They also need to add exhibits that explain how basic radio, electronics and antennas work for building the level of excitement.

Visit the West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group's "Lasting Moment of First Excitement" Kickstarter Project page at:

http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/...rst-excitement

The club web pages are at: http://www.wpbarc.com - and -

Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/WestPalmBeac...rRadioGroupInc

[ANS thanks Tom Loughney, AJ4XM for the above information]

Mars Rover Landing News From JPL

If you have an iPad or an iPhone with a camera, here's a chance to create personalized photos with a high-resolution 3D model of the Curiosity rover.

Download Spacecraft 3D from the Apple Apps Store. It's free! (Android version to be out in a few weeks).Print a couple of copies of the paper "Targets" before landing night.Place the Target where you want the rover to appear.Compose the desired photo, then tap the "Gear" icon and press the Photo button to take snapshots of the rovers with old and new friends on landing night.Send your pictures to: jplpublic@jpl.nasa.gov We'll put together a collection of photos after the landing.

Other free Curiosity software to play with:

Xbox - Mars Rover Landing

Try your own skills on landing Curiosity through this Xbox game

Downloadable through the Xbox menu system or at:http://marketplace.xbox.com/en-US/Pr...5-d80258480836

Eyes on the Solar System: Curiosity Edition

Experience Curiosity as it lands at Gale Crater http://eyes.jpl.nasa.gov(viewable in any web browser)

Be A Martian Mobile Phone Apps - Mars on the go!

Participate as a Citizen Scientist on the Mars Science Lab missioniPhone: http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/mobile/beam/iphone/Android:http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/mobile/beam/android/Windows: http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/mobile/beam/windowsphone/

Explore Mars on the Web!

This 3D interactive experience lets you explore Mars with Curiosity

Curiosity's Journey: http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/explore/curiosityFree Drive: http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/explore/freedrive/Gale Crater: http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/explore/galecrater/Learn the Rover: http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/explore/learnaboutrover/

[ANS thanks Jan, WB6VRN, for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Congratulations to Ted Doty, AA5CK on earning his Satellite Worked All States Award #332. Ted wrote, "I want to express my thanks and appreciation to all of our great Satellite Ops, working from home and portable, to make this award and others a possibility.Remembering this week, that August 2, 1971 was the date when the Apollo 15 lunar module Falcon left the Moon in first televised lunar liftoff: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apollo_Lunar_Module#Media includes videos.An English language NHK TV news story covers the amateur radio CubeSat FITSAT-1 (NIWAKA) which launched to the International Space Station (ISS)

on July 21: http://tinyurl.com/FitsatOnNHK (Southgate)Listen for Nikolai, VE3NKL operating portable from Newfoundland on a vacation trip. He will be on SO-50 and AO-27 time permitting. He is active in grid squares GN09 and GN19. He posts details on his callsign lookup web page at QRZ.com. (via K4FEG)Listen for Norm, N3YKF operating satellites with a portable station he brought with him during his vacation in Peru.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

ARISS Status - 30 July 2012

1. Upcoming School Contact

Space Jam 6, which will be held at the Octave Chanute Aerospace Museum in Rantoul, Illinois, comleted an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Sunday, August 5 at 10:06 UTC.

The Space Jamboree Workshop is the Midwest's largest technology oriented gathering of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. The theme this year is "The History of Aviation." Subjects that will be taught and merit badges that may be earned include the following: Space Exploration, Radio, Aviation, Electronics, Robotics, Soil/Water Conservation, Environmental Science, Energy, Metalwork, Computers, Geology, Nuclear Science, Engineering and Inventing. The Jamboree is working with the University of Illinois, Purdue, and DePauw Universities (high altitude balloon launches, FIRST Robotics, Nuclear Engineering) to help Scouts plan for the future.

2. Girls from WE@RIT Camp Speak with Sunita Williams in Space

Fifth and sixth grade girls attending the "Everyday Engineering" camp at Kate Gleason College, sponsored by the Women in Engineering @ Rochester Institute of Technology (WE@RIT) in New York took part in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Monday, July 23. The girls talked with on-orbit astronaut

Sunita Williams, KD5PLB who currently holds the record for longest space flight by a woman. The contact highlighted camp activities that focus on engineering-based themes to teach the engineering design process through hands-on build and design activities. This year's camp theme is "World in Motion." Also attending the contact were students from the grade 7-9 camp (held two weeks ago), the students attending this week's RoboCamp, and the Lil' Kids on Campus Space Week kids. To view video of the contact, see:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bdlpcw_VD4M

3. Virginia Air and Space Center Contact Successful

On Thursday, July 26, Sunita Williams, KD5PLB held an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with youth volunteers from the Virginia Air and Space Center in Hampton, Virginia. The volunteers give tours, provide demonstrations to the public and support the center in its efforts to educate the public. The center

has its own amateur radio exhibit and during these summer months, it also welcomes NASA exhibits Destination Station, the Orion Test Vehicle and the Mars Science Laboratory.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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Curiosity Imprints Morse Code on Mars Surface

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 03:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356724-Curiosity-Imprints-Morse-Code-on-Mars-Surface&goto=newpost

Mars Science Laboratory, Curiosity Rover vehicle tires have tread patterns that imprint the acronym JPL in Morse Code in the dusty soil of the Mars surface. The wheel tread pattern is made by square and rectangular holes in the wheels. When in motion riding around the sandy Gale Crater, this pattern is viewed by the driver using some of the 17 cameras aboard this interplanetary SUV. It takes about 14 minutes for radio waves to travel from the red planet to earth, through the Mars Odyssey orbiter relay satellite using UHF. Since there is a more than a 30 minute round trip delay between the driving commands and finding out the result of the measured moves, there is a need for the earth-bound drivers to maintain visual orientation and checks of distance traveled... this can be gauged by incremental count of the tread pattern repeats. Curiosity has 6 of these morse-coded wheels, and uses a rocker-bogie suspension, enabling it to climb obstacles. Who knows how many years these tread patterns will last on Mars? Perhaps when future Martian archaeologists study these strange fossil tread patterns a few hundred years from now, they will try to find someone studied in ancient radio lore to decode the meaning.

640px-Curiosity_wheel_pattern_morse_code.png

http://youtu.be/G019Jci0abs

Bonnie KQ6XA

Attached Images

640px-Curiosity_wheel_pattern_morse_code.png
(439.6 KB)

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Tiny satellites to write Morse code, visible in the night sky

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 08:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355628-Tiny-satellites-to-write-Morse-code-visible-in-the-night-sky&goto=newpost

http://dvice.com/archives/2012/07/tiny-satellites.php

I just saw this at dvice.com and thought I would share.

"An unmanned Japanese cargo vessel headed for the International Space Station (ISS) this week is carrying some unusual cargo. In addition to regular supplies, the vehicle contains some tiny, cube-shaped satellites that, when deployed, will write Morse codemessages visible in the night sky.

One of the mini satellites, known as cubesats, has the job of helping researchers test optical communication techniques in satellites. The cubesat will use LEDs to first twinkle like an artificial star and eventually blink in Morse Code.

The cubesat is known as FITSAT-1 and was developed by Japan's Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT). It weighs just under three pounds and carries high output, 200 watt LEDs that will turn the cube into a flashing Morse code beacon.

Project leader Takushi Tanaka, an FIT professor of computer science and engineering discusses one of the most exciting elements of the project on the FITSAT-1 website:

"These [Morse code flashes], we hope, will be observable by the unaided eye or with small binoculars," Tanaka says.

It is expected the FITSAT-1 will be deployed from the ISS on September 6, by Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, using the Kibo module's robotic arm. Once in orbit the FITSAT-1 will travel between 51.6 degrees south latitude and 51.6 degrees north latitude, according to researchers.

The orbit and orientation is important to the success of the project. The tiny satellite contains a neodymium magnet that will always point it to magnetic north. This way, when the satellite rises above the horizon it will be to the south of the FIT ground station.

The flashing lights and Morse code signals from the FITSAT-1 will be received by the FIT ground station telescope and photo-multiplier device linked to an antenna. The ground gear and the satellite's LEDs will be aligned so the ground will receive the main beams.

The FITSAT-1 project will conduct high-speed and optical communication experiments for three minutes as the satellite moves through orbit, to prove the viability of optical communication with satellites.

Tanaka's website has additional detailed information on the construction of the FITSAT-1, communication frequencies and what it will be transmitting during the testing.

Seeing the little satellite in action firsthand might be challenging, but even if we only get to see the sky's newest inhabitant work via video from Tanaka's lab, it's cool to know we can wish upon a whole new star!"

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1824 July 27 2012

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 10:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355591-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1824--July-27-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1824 ☐ July 27 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1824 with a release date of July 27 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The International Amateur Radio Union to vote on admitting two new members; Solar Cycle 24 heats up with a massive East coast VHF band opening; the London 2012 Olympics ham radio stations take to the air and four new ham radio CubeSats go skyward. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1824 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM POLITICS: IARU VOTING ON TWO PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

The International Amateur Radio Union could have two new members before years end. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the details:

1453. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 7 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 16:38:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba10bf8001f04c6afa050@google.com>
Source record: 2370
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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MDC QSO Party

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 06:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356850-MDC-QSO-Party&goto=newpost

Hi Guys and Dolls:

Just wanted to remind everyone that this weekend in the MDC QSO Party,
August 11 and 12.

Full rules are at www.w3vpr.org .

Also a couple notes: The sponsor this year, the AARC, Inc, promises a
certificate to anyone working at least 10 MDC stations during the event and
then submitting a proper entry into the contest. That is in addition to the
usual winner awards.

Rare Worchester County will be on the Air as NI2W/3 and his operating
partners N3ARZ and WB3FTQ head to the eastern shore of Md to provide that
rare county to those interested.

I, WA3EOP , will mobile through a few Mid to Western MD Counties,
Howard, Carroll, Frederick,And Washington in support of the event on
Saturday. If you are looking for 10 MD stations, A mobile contact counts as
a different station in each county worked. There could be a few other
mobiles out there too.

Several clubs are expected to be on the air during the event including
KI3DS, W3VPR, W3HAM and probably

others. If you are in it to win it, Club are 10 point contacts on each band
worked and mobiles are 5 points for each valid contact.

Its billed as the FUN CONTEST. Its not a huge state QSO Party like
California, Pennsylvania and a few others but it is different and helps
keep a little fun in the hobby. See you there?

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Northwest US Special Event Station W4T for ToorCamp, Aug 8th - 12th

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356810-Northwest-US-Special-Event-Station-W4T-for-Too
rCamp-Aug-8th-12th&goto=newpost

ToorCamp is the American hacker camp. This year, we're gathering on the beautiful coastal beaches of Washington State from August 8th to 12th. In an effort to share amateur radio with a group of over 500 hackers, coders, makers and artists, we are running special event station W4T.

Anticipate activity primarily in the mornings and evenings Pacific time on the 10 through 80 meter bands. Operators will most likely spend a great deal of time scanning the bands, but look for activity on 14.240 and 7.182.

QSL via LoTW or Direct to N2IHK.

http://www.toorcamp.org

http://wiki.toorcamp.org/wiki/Campsi...nt_Station_W4T

1454. eHam.net News for Tuesday 7 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-07 22:12:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614aa21e57c104c6b449e2@google.com>
Source record: 2371
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radioware Operations sold to Davis RF

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 03:56 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28760

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Mars Link for Timaru Man (ZL3PN):

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28756

MESSAGE FROM SPACE: Timaru amateur radio enthusiast and technology buff George Boorer receives a signal from Nasa's Curiosity. Relevant offersThere was excitement in Timaru's Newton St last night. Timaru amateur radio enthusiast and technology buff George Boorer watched with anticipation as Nasa's Curiosity sent a signal from Mars. It was a moment he had waited 12 months for after receiving news that his name would be encoded on a chip aboard the craft. Mr Boorer, 68, known on Mars as ZL3PN, received a certificate of authentication after he applied to have his details sent to the planet. The retired electrician is a life member of the South Canterbury Amateur Radio Club and has built an impressive setup at his home where he listens in and chats with other operators around the world.

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Hurricane Watch Net up for Ernesto:

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 05:22 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28755

The Hurricane Watch Net is being activated
for tropical storm Ernesto. Forecasts call
for the storm to achieve hurricane status
during morning hours Tuesday, August 7, 2012.

1455. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 7 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-08 02:45:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5014cc1fd546f04c6b81ad2@google.com>
Source record: 2372
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Call for papers to emergency conference - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 11:38 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGbfPVwLjaMjW05Wxdq5HycTSb8qQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/call_for_papers_to_emergency_conference.htm

Call for papers to emergency conference
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Invitations have been issued to attend MYGAREC 2012, the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference on November 12 to 14, in Port Dickson, Malaysia. This international conference is an informal forum by radio amateurs from IARU societies and ...

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Emergency Preparedness Is Topic Of August Chattanooga Tea Party Meeting - The Chattanoogan

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 06:36 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH6XIYMEXa_HJKPx5Q7p_R8z68mvQ&url=http://www.chattanoogan.com/2012/8/7/231770/Emergency-Preparedness-Is-Topic-Of.aspx

Emergency Preparedness Is Topic Of August Chattanooga Tea Party Meeting
The Chattanoogan
“Catherine will also talk about her involvement in amateur (HAM) radio and Community Emergency Response Team training.” Attendees are asked to RSVP to Chattanooga Tea Partys Facebook page (link at ChattanoogaTeaParty.com). Donations will be ...

1456. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 8 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-08 11:08:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf300515a80c192304c6bf20fa@google.com>
Source record: 2373
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radio hams unite to fight-off new powerline comms standard

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zwr5udnT3SU/radio_hams_unite_to_fight_off_new_powerline_comms_standard.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB is mobilising Europe's radio hams in protest against the
forthcoming standard for powerline networking, predicting dire consequences
if existing standards aren't applied

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New Ontario Section Boundaries

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rvVb2hy7SAI/new_ontario_section_boundaries.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

I am very pleased to announce that on schedule, September 1, 2012 the
current Ontario Section will be replaced by four new Sections: Ontario
North (ONN), Ontario East (ONE), Ontario South (ONS), and the Greater
Toronto Area (GTA)

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Mars link for Radio Ham

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UPWNFI91SzY/mars_link_for_radio_ham.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur George Boorer ZL3PN featured in a Timaru Herald story about
the Curiosity Mars Rover landing

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W2GSB Fire Island Lighthouse

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XdPsdiIfyh8/w2gsb_fire_island_lighthouse.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for the Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club to be active from Fire
Island Lighthouse on August 18th and 19th

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Sir Bernard Lovell SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OJuaXLUAfxU/sir_bernard_lovell_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Astronomer and physicist Sir Bernard Lovell died on Monday August 6, aged 98

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The Next Frontier: Vermont in Space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xf-Z0YlVTjM/the_next_frontier_vermont_in_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video presentation describes a 2U CubeSat with an Ion Drive that in
2013 could travel to the Moon

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75th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge - video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fOKx0JaiVc0/golden_gate_bridge_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Will Pattullo AE6YB has posted this Youtube video on the recent N6G special
event for the 75th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge

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UK STRaND-1 CubeSat on Space Boffins

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DlCNyapRs5E/uk_strand1_cubesat_on_space_boffins.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The STRaND-1 amateur radio Smartphone CubeSat built in Guildford, UK,
features in the latest episode of Space Boffins

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5H, Tanzania:
Roland, DL4ME will be QRV as 5H3ME from August 14th to September 3rd during his vacation with his son Mike, 5H3EE. Operation will take place from 80 m to 6 m in CW and digital modes.
QSL via homecall.

D6, Comoros:
Fabrizio, IW3SQY, Paolo, IV3DSH, Antonello, IT9YVO, Franco, IZ8GCE, Giorgio, IZ4AKS, Les, SP3DOI, and Salvador C31CT/EA3QS will be active as D64K from August 8th to 21st from Comoros (AF-007).
They will operate from 160 m to 6 m in all modes. QSL via IV3DSH.
http://www.d64k.net/
https://twitter.com/#!/D64K

DL, Germany:
The two special event call signs DP775BLN and DQ775BLN will be QRV till the end of this year, celebrating the 775th anniversary of Berlin. These and other club stations from Berlin will have the special DOK BLN775. More than 10,000 QSOs have been logged so far.
http://www.darc.de/distrikte/d/775bln

Also DP87SIXD will be QRV throughout the year, for the 87th Enduro Team World Championship (Six Days). For the first time in 23 years, the International Six Days Enduro (ISDE) take place in Germany again.
QSL via bureau.

FP, St. Pierre et Miquelon:
Mike, VE2XB, will be FP/VE2XB between August 10th and 20th from St. Pierre et Miquelon (NA-032) on all bands with a focus on 6 m. With a 500W-PA by THP and a Hexbeam we can expect a good signal from him.
QSL via VE2XB.
http://fp-ve2xb.jimdo.com/

G, England:
GB2012OLY is one of the special stations for the Olympics 2012.
QSL via M0DOL.

OD, Lebanon:
Special event station OD5ARMY is QRV during August in celebration of
the founding of the Lebanese Army. QSL via OD5NJ.

OJ0, Market Reef:
Pasi OH3WS will be active as OJ0W from August 4th to 10th from Market
Reef, (EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, WLOTA 0542) in spare time. QSL via OH3WS.

ON, Belgium:
On the occasion of the 29th Oldtimer FlyDrive-in in Schaffen on August
11/12, the radio club ON4DST will activate the special call ON29IOF on
80 m to 10 m in SSB and CW. QSL via ON4AMM.

SM, Sweden:
SA0AEK, SA0AEX and SA0ASG plan to be active as SC0UT/5 until August
10th from the Scout Camp Boomerang 2012 on Vassaro Island (EU-084).
QSL via SC0UT (b).
http://www.radioscouter.se/

SP, Poland:
Until October 2nd, the special call sign SN63DNI will be on the air
to remember the 63rd anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising.
QSL via SP5NHV.

A list of more than 1500 Polish special call signs since 2007 can be
accessed at:
http://www.uke.gov.pl/uke/redir.jsp?place=galleryStats&id=54443

UA, Russia:
Members of the AFARU (Armed Forces Amateur Radio Union) will be
active as R100WWS from any areas of Russia between August 10th to
18th to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Military Air Forces
of Russia (formed on August 12, 1912).
QSL via RV3YR.

VU7, Lakshadweep:
Members of the Bangalore Amateur Radio Club (VU2GGM, VU2GSM, VU2JHM,
VU2LU, VU2LX and VU2UR) have been granted permission to operate from
the Lakshadweep Islands. They will use the call sign VU7M from
Minicoy Isl. (AS-106) and lighthouse from August 13th to 22nd with
a "humble HF station". QSL via VU2JHM.
http://www.qrz.com/db/VU7M

YB, Indonesia:
Members of the YB Land DX Club (YBDXC) will activate the special
event station YB67RI between August 10th and August 17th, celebrating
the 67th anniversary of Indonesia's independence.
QSL via YB2DX direct or LoTW only.

YL, Latavia:
Vitaly, YL3AFK, Alex YL3BU, Evgeny, YL2TD and Grigorij, YL2NS will
be active on the 11th and 12th of August 2012 from Edole Castle
(WCA YL-00022, COTA-YL Z-007, WW Loc. KO07ua) as YL11WCA on the
HF bands in CW and SSB close to the WCA frequencies.
QSL via bureau. Their log will be uploaded to WCA E-Log.
http://www.yl3bu.lv/news/WCA_Edole_castle

YN, Nicaragua:
Ben, TI4SU is QRV as HT9H to commemorate the 250th anniversary of
the Battle of the Rio San Juan. QSL via TI4SU, direct.

DXCC:
The Solomon Island activation of H44UD (2012) was approved for
DXCC credit..

New deadline for CQ-Contests:
The log submission deadline for the CQ-Contests has been reduced to
five days after the end of the contest. Extensions may be given on
request (questions@cqww.com) under certain circumstances. The first
contest affected by this new deadline will be the CQ WW SSB Contest
taking place in October.
http://www.cqww.com/

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Aug 11/12 WAE DX Contest (CW)

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

AF-006; VQ9; Diego Garcia Island: Chuck, W4XP, plans to be active from
August 9th to 25th from Diego Garcia Atoll (AF-006, WLOTA 1645,
LOC MI62) as VQ9XP from the club station VQ9X. The focus of his
activity is 6 m, he's also QRV on HF.
QSL direct via W4XP and LotW.

AS-105; HL2; Kyonggi-Do Province group: Tai, DS2NMJ, will be active
from Yonghung Do (AS-105) on August 12/13 as DS2NMJ/2. He will
be QRV only in SSB on 15 m and 12 m.
QSL via DS2NMJ (direct or bureau).

EU-012; GM/MM; Shetland and Fair Isle: Members of the Grantham Amateur
Radio Club members (Alan, G0RCI, Pete M0USY, Harry G7DEH, M0UXX,
Dave G4IAR, Judith G4IAQ and Alec M0PUD) will be active as GS0GRC
from Bressay Isle (IOSA SH06, SCOTIA SI08, WLOTA 1079, LOC IP90,
WAB HU43), Shetland & Fair Isle (EU-012) from 14th to 19th August.
QSL via G0RCI (direct or bureau).
http://www.garc.org.uk/

Dave, G4IAR and Judith, G4IAQ will also activate the Bressay-
Kirkabister Ness lighthouse (BARLS A3776, ILLW UK0035, ARLHS

SCO-021, TWLHD WLH GM-009, WLOTA 1079) as GB0BL on the ILLW.
Additional activities include using the WAB Awards Group Call
GM4WAB from WAB HU43.
QSLs via G4IAR (direct or bureau).

EU-014; TK; Corsica Island: Jack, IZ3DBA, will be active from Corsica
(EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA 1390) as TK0/IZ3DBA from
8-16th August.
QSL via IZ3DBA (direct or bureau, LotW, eQSL)

EU-015; SV9; Crete Island: SV1GSU will be active from Crete Island
(IOTA EU-015) from August 4th to 8th as SV9/SV1GSU on 40 m, 20 m
and 15 m in CW, SSB and PSK31.
QSL via SV1GSU.

EU-026; JW; Spitsbergen Island: Torkel, LA6VJA and Fredrik, LA6TMA plan
to be active as JW6VJA and JW6TMA, respectively, from Longyearbyen,
Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125), Svalbard Archipelago, from
10th to 12th of August. JW6VJA plans to be on CW and SSB while
JW6TMA will mostly use digital modes.
QSL via home calls.
http://www.bitwrap.no/web/index.php?id=6

EU-028; IA5 Tuscany Region Group incl. Toscano Archipelago: Paolo, IZ5NFD
will be active holiday style as IA5/IZ5NFD from Elba Island (EU-028)
on August 6th to 12th. Look for him to operate mainly in CW in the
early mornings around 5 UTC and after 21 UTC on 40 m to 2 m.
QSL via IZ5NFD (direct or bureau)

EU-038; PA; Noord Holland/Friesland/Groningen Province group: Texel Island
is the second planned destination of Marco/IZ3GNG between August 13th
and 16th (WLOTA 0043, LOC JO23), using PA/IZ3GNG on the HF bands.
QSL via IZ3GNG (direct or bureau)

EU-042; DL; Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: Mike, DG5LAC/p will
spend his vacations on Amrum Island (WLOTA 2426) between August 11th
and 24th. He also plans an activity from DLFF-013 (National Park
Schleswig-Holsteinisches Wattenmeer); note that those activities
from DLFF-013 do not count for IOTA and vice versa.
QSL via DG5LAC (direct or bureau, LotW)

EU-052; SV; Ipeiros/ Dytiki Ellas Region group: Fabio, IZ7FLQ, will be
touring Greek Islands starting on August 8th through August 18th.
He will be active from Lefkada, Itaca, Meganisi, Kefallonia Islands
with the following callsigns and references:
SV8/IZ7FLQ/LI Lefkada no IOTA
SV8/IZ7FLQ/TI Itaca EU-052
SV8/IZ7FLQ/MI Meganisi EU-052
SV8/IZ7FLQ/KI Kefallonia EU-052
The activation of further islands may be possible.
QSL via IZ7FLQ (direct or bureau)
http://iz7flq.jimdo.com/

EU-056; LA; More og Romsdal County Centre group: From August 13th to 17th Glenn LA8XRA and Trond, LA9VDA will be active as LA6Q from Sandoy Island. It will be the first activation of WLOTA LH-2769. Activities will take place in CW, SSB and RTTY from 80 m to 10 m.
QSL via LA9VDA (direct or bureau, requests via la9vda[at]gmail.com).

EU-064; F; Pays de la Loire Region group: Geoffrey, F4FVI, Chris, HB9ELV, Johan F4GTD, Phillipe F5TRO and Nicolas F8BDB plan to operate as TM1NOI from Barbatre, Ile de Noirmoutier (EU-064, DIFM AT020, WLOTA 1224) from August 12th to 14th. They will be active around the IOTA frequencies in SSB.
QSL via HB9ELV (direct) or F4FVI (bureau) and LotW/eQSL.
http://www.qrz.com/db/TM1NOI

EU-079; LA; More og Romsdal County South group: Glenn, LA8XRA and Trond, LA9VDA plan activate Jonsholmen Island (EU-079) as LA6Q from August 10th to 13th. Activities will be on 80 m to 10 m in CW/SSB/RTTY. They may make short side trips to Dimna Island (EU-079, WLOTA 2438) and Nerlandsoy Island (EU-079, WLOTA 2193).
QSL via LA9VDA (direct or bureau)

EU-132; SP1; Szczecin/Koszalin Province group: From August 10th to 19th, Jacek/SP5OXJ will be active from Karsibor (SPFF-269) as SP5OXJ/1. Activities will take place on the HF bands in CW and digital modes.
QSL via SP5OXJ (direct, bureau, LotW)

EU-135; SM2 Vasterbotten District Group: Tomas, SM3DMP will be active as SF2CW from Holmon Island (EU-135) on August 6th to 9th.
QSL via SM3DMP (direct or bureau)

EU-146; PA; Zuid Holland/ Zeeland Province group: Marco, IZ3GNG will be active as PA/IZ3GMG on 40 m to 6 m in SSB from Schouwen-Duiveland (EU-146, WLOTA 3089, LOC JO11) on August 8th to 12th.
QSL via IZ3GMG (direct or bureau)

EU-165; I*0; Sardinia's Coastal Islands: Massimo/I0PNM will be active as IM0/I0PNM from S.Pietro Island (IOTA EU-165) from August 10th to September 3rd on 20 m to 10 m mostly SSB, RTTY and PSK31.
QSL via I0PNM (direct only)

NON-IOTA
Operators Ron, KB9NW, Frank, K9TIE and Fritz, WD9FMB will activate and try to qualify Coopers Island (USi IL040, LOC EN50en), located in the Illinois River, Tazewell County, Illinois, on 11th of August using the special callsign K9C. They will be QRV around 7250 kHz, 21350 kHz, 28450 kHz but mainly 14250 kHz to 14260 kHz.
QSL via WD9FMB.

Calendar
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from / to DX DX-NL
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to 9. September 2012L 1790

21. July - 9. September 2O12W 1789
1August-28October 3Z70ZK 1791
to 31. December 4O60GBP 1790
14. August - 3. 5H3ME 1792*
to 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
to 31. December 7T50I.. 1788
to 31. October 8J0WAZA 1780
to 31. March 2013 8J1MBR 1788
to 31. December 8J1MST 1779
to 31. March 2013 8J1SPY 1788
to 30. September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751
to 31. December 8J6O 1773
to 31. December 8J6OKAJO 1788
to 30. September 8J7EQ 1773
to 12. August 8J9HC 1788
7. - 13. August 9M4SLL 1791
to 31. October 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
to 31. December 8N1TDU 1780
5. to 17. August 9H3EA 1791
to 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
to October 2014 9V1RM 1751
to September 2013 A52SV 1752
to end of 2013 C91IW 1787
unknown CG3B 1786
to 31. December CN2YZ 1771
unknown CR6BWU 1784
to end of 2012 CY0/VE1AWW 1784
to May 2013? D2SG 1748/1780
8. - 21. August D64K 1792*
to 31. December DA0LSW 1785
ab 13. July DF7KF/VP9 1788
11.-24.08. DG5LAC/p 1792*
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
to 13. January 2013 DL125HHZ 1778
01January-31December DL1630Y 1760
to 31. December DL250COAL 1779
01January-31December DM100MGY 1763
01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763
to 31. December DM800ANH 1767
to February 2013 DP0GVN 1756
to 31. December DP87SIXD 1792*
to January 2013 DQ0STRATEX 1770
to 31. December DQ125HSB 1763/1784
to 31. December DR50DTANGO 1791
12.-13.08. DS2NMJ/2 1792*
to 10. August DU8/DF8DX 1790
2. July - 25. August E51AND 1786
unknown E51MGA 1786
to 31. December E720RS 1770

1January-31December EI80IRTS 1763/1788
to 26. August EM80L.. 1778
to 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
10. - 20. August FP/VE2XB 1792*
14.-19.08. GB0BL 1792*
1. August GB0YD 1791
to 23. August GB1HF 1791
to 9. September GB2012OLY 1792*
to 9. September GB2012MV 1790
to 9. September GB2012OSP 1791
to 10. September GB4GBO 1790
to 31. December GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
14.-19.08. GM4WAB 1792*
14.-19.08. GS0GRC 1792*
to 31. December HA50ZH 1780
to September 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
unknown HT9H 1792*
to end of 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
to 12. August IA5/IZ5NFD 1792*
1. to 11. August IE9/IV3LZQ 1791
01January-31December II6LN 1763
10.08.-03.09. IM0/I0PNM 1792*
to July 2013 J28UC 1734
4. - 19. August J68HZ 1791
to November JW2US 1791
10.-12.08. JW6TMA 1792*
10.-12.08. JW6VJA 1792*
29March -March2013 JX9JKA 1769/1773
11.08. K9C 1792*
to 2013 KG4AJ 1756
10.-17.08. LA6Q 1792*
to 31. December LX75RL 1788
to 31. December LZ1818MOG.. 1770
to 15. August NR4CB 1780
May - October OD5/IV3XNF 1777
August OD5ARMY 1792*
unknown OD5NJ 1784
July + September OE2XXM.. 1786
to 3. April 2017 OG3077F 1789
to 31. December OH150VR 1772
4. - 10. August OJ0W 1792*
to 31. December ON500MERCATOR 1783
4April-31December ON100TT 1775
11./12. August ON29IOF 1792*
31. December ON85RCL 1791
01January-31December ON65BR 1763
to 31. December ON85RCL 1790
unknown OX3LX 1790

01.07.-31.12. P3EU 1786
08.-16.08. PA/IZ3GNG 1792*
to 15. August. PA6FUN 1790
10. - 18. August R100WWS 1792*
August R10RLHA 1791
to 31. August R1150V 1783
to 30. August R11GGGR.. 1784
August R1812SM 1791
12June-12September R200V 1783
15.07.-28.08. RI0K 1788
to Anfang 2013 RI1ANF 1765
to September 2012 RI1FJA 1741
to September 2012 RI1FJM 1741
to 31. December S555E.. 1772
to 10. August SC0UT/5 1792*
to 9. August SF2CW 1792*
1July - 31August SN0HAL 1786
to 2. October SN63DNI 1792*
1. August - 2. October SN7PW 1791
10.-19.08. SP5OXJ/1 1792*
4. to 11. August SV5/IK2IHY.. 1791
08.-18.08. SV8/IZ7FLQ 1792*
sporadically T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
to 30. September T6SS 1790
to mid September T6TJ.. 1789
to 31. December TC50TRAC.. 1770
30June - 30September TC6BLH.. 1786
1. - 8. August TI5/K6MQ 1791
7. -13. August TK/IZ3DBA 1791
unknown TK/PA3ALK 1782
08.-16.08. TK0/IZ3DBA 1792*
12.-14.08. TM1NOI 1792*
to 31. December TM210VH 1770
to 31. December TM70TRS 1763
unknown TX0HF 1789
26 June-max 12August TY2BP 1786
to 31. August UE80C 1784
to November 2014 V73NS 604/1668/1752
09.-25.08. VQ9XP 1792*
13. - 22. August VU7M 1792*
1. - 8. August WA2CG 1791
to May 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
10. - 17. August YB67RI 1792*
11. - 12. August YL11WCA 1792*
to 12. August YQ0BIKE 1791
2. to 9. August YV5/UA9YAB.. 1791
to 2014 ZY2014WC 1774

QSL information

2O0VDS via 2E0VDS
3B8CW via NI5DX (B)
5H3ME via DL4ME (B)
6K13KJ via HL0CHD (B)
8J2NDP/3 (B)
9A/VE3ZIK via DK8ZZ (B), (L), eQSL
D2QR via RW6HS (d)
D64K via IV3DSH (B)
DG5LAC/p via DG5LAC (B)
DP87SIXD (B)
DS2NMJ/2 via DS2NMJ (B)
ED7YAD via EA7URM (B)
EN5RFF via UT1RT
ES0W via SP7DPJ (B)
ES7FHELL via ES7FU (B)
EV140OP via EW7DK (B)
EX2F via RW6HS (d)
F/M0CUL via M0CUL
F4BKV/p via F4BKV (B)
F4FET/p via F4FET
FP/VE2XB via VE2XB (B)
GB0BL via G4IAR (B)
GB2012OLY via M0DOL
GM4WAB via G4IAR (B)
GO1VDP via M0URX (B)
GO3TXF via G3TXF (B)
GS0GRC via G0RCI (B)
HB9FBG/p via HB9FBG (B)
HB9FBG/p via HB9FBG (B)
HF20RPL via SP9PRR
HF20RPL via SP9PRR
HG3IPA via HA3JB (d)
HG460EV via HA6VA
HK2PMR via EA5GL (d)
HR2/NP3J via EA5GL (L), (d)
HT9H via TI4SU (d)
I2/ON4ENL via ON4ENL (B)
I6/IZ0MQN/p via IZ0MQN (B)
IA5/IZ5NFD via IZ5NFD (B)
II3PIC via IV3FIV (B), eQSL
IK/AL3T via DL7ET (B)
IK2/DF5DN via DF5DN (B)
IM0/I0PNM via I0NM (d)
IM0/I2KQE via I2KQE
IN3/I3GNQ via I3GNQ
IW6NZY/p via IW6NZY (B)
JH1OGT/BY1RX via JH1OGT
JW6TMA via LA6TMA (B)
JW6VJA via LA6VJA (B)

K9C via WD9FMB (B)
LA6Q via LA9VDA (B)
LX/PA7AL via PA7AL (B)
LY/RA5FB via RA5FB (B), (L), eQSL
LZ916SS via LZ1KCP (B)
MX0HFC via G1EYY
NP3CW via EB7DX (d)
OD5ARMY via OD5NJ (B)
OH0/OH3WS via OH3WS (B)
OJ0W via OH3WS (B)
ON29IOF via ON4AMM (B)
PA/IZ3GNG via IZ3GNG (B)
PC25HR via PC2F (B)
R100WWS via RV3YR (B)
R10RLHA/1 via RA1QY (B)
R1812SM via RV3LZ
R35CZF via RV9CVA
RA9YJY/p via RA9YJY (B)
RA9YJY/p via RA9YJY (B)
RU9YF/p via RU9YF (B)
RU9YF/p via RU9YF (B)
SC0UT/5 via SC0UT (B)
SF2CW via SM3DMP (B)
SN63DNI via SP5NHV (B)
SP5OXJ/1 via SP5OXJ (B)
SU1IE via HA3JB (d)
SV5/RD1AP via RD1AP
SV8/IZ7FLQ via IZ7FLQ (B)
SV9/LZ3FN via LZ1PM (B)
SV9/LZ3FN via LZ1PM (B)
TK0/IZ3DBA via IZ3DBA (B), (L)
TM1NOI via F4FVI (B), HB9ELV (d)
UA9YIY/p via UA9YIY (B)
UA9YIY/p via UA9YIY (B)
UF0A/0 via UF0A (B)
UF0A/0 via UF0A (B)
UT/RL6LP (L), eQSL
VQ9XP via W4XP (d)
VU7M via VU2JHM (B)
W9I via KB9BVN (d)
XV9NPS via JA2NPS (B), JA2ODB (d)
YB67RI via YB2DX (d), (L)
YF1AR via N2OO (B)
YL11WCA (B)
YV7/UA9YAB via UA9YAB (B)
YV7/UA9YPS via UA9YPS (B)
YV7BMZ via EA7FTR
ZF2GG via W4SIG (B)
ZP0B via ZP5KO (B)
ZP5AJR via PY4KL (B)

(d) = direct only (B) = Bureau ok
(*) = new Manager (L) = LoTW

* QSLs received via LoTW: 4W6EB
* QSLs received via bureau:
6W7RV, 8J1RL, 8P9JG (W2CZ), A25FC (ON4CJK), CQ4IPY (CT1BWW),
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H44USMC Solomon Islands

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356887-H44USMC-Solomon-Islands&goto=newpost

H44RK is active from Solomon Islands with special call H44USMC
commemorating 70 years since the landing by US Marine Corps troops on
Guadalcanal

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...lomon-islands/

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1459. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 8 August 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Sir Bernard Lovell, Jodrell Bank Observatory founder, dies aged 98

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 05:53 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356938-Sir-Bernard-Lovell-Jodrell-Bank-Observatory-fo
under-dies-aged-98&goto=newpost

The celebrated physicist and radio astronomer Sir Bernard Lovell has died
at the age of 98, the University of Manchester has announced.

http://www.guardian.co.uk/science/2012/aug/07/jodrell-bank-observatory-bernard-lovell-dies

Jodrell Bank is dominated by the 76-metre (250ft) Lovell telescope,
conceived by the astronomer.

Lovell began working with the engineer Sir Charles Husband to build the
telescope in 1945 and it has since become a symbol of British science and
engineering and a landmark in the Cheshire countryside.

A hugely ambitious project at the time, the telescope was the world's
largest when it was completed in 1957 and within days tracked the rocket
that carried Sputnik 1 into orbit, marking the dawn of the space age.

It is still the third largest steerable telescope in the world and a series
of upgrades means it is now more capable than ever, observing phenomena
undreamed of when it was first conceived. The telescope plays a key role in
world-leading research on pulsars, testing our understanding of extreme
physics including Einstein's general theory of relativity.

Last year, Jodrell Bank Observatory was placed on the British government's
shortlist for World Heritage Site status, recognising its important role in
research and education.

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Political Ads on QRZ

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 12:33 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356901-Political-Ads-on-QRZ&goto=newpost

Yes, it's that season again where every TV, newspaper, and many billboards
carry political slogans and advertisements of all kinds.

Several people have written to complain about the political ads on QRZ and
I just wanted to take this opportunity to mention that QRZ does not endorse
any political candidate for any office. The political ads which appear on

our site are supplied by Google and no political candidate, entity, party, or action committee has contracted directly with QRZ for any advertising. We would not accept such direct advertising if offered.

Some have suggested that a proliferation of Anti-Obama ads have marked QRZ as a right winged organization. This is patently false, as QRZ supports nobody. Google uses sophisticated techniques to determine the demographics of each website and places ads on those sites which best fit those demographics. You will notice that we don't get any ads for feminine products, and that's because Google knows full well that the average QRZ user is a middle aged male. Their analytic methods decide which ads will get the most clicks for their clients and evidently, they believe that middle aged men are an active voting block.

So, if you're tired of seeing political ads, then turn off your TV, your internet, and close your eyes for a few more months. Otherwise, do what I do and simply ignore them. This too, will pass.

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Hurricane Watch net to activate for Ernesto

Posted: 06 Aug 2012 06:39 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356816-Hurricane-Watch-net-to-activate-for-Ernesto&goto=newpost

The Hurricane Watch Net is being activated for tropical storm Ernesto. Forecasts call for the storm to achieve hurricane status during morning hours Tuesday, August 7, 2012. The net will be active on 14.325 MHz to report observed conditions to the National Hurricane Center. Net operations will begin at 1300 Eastern Daylight, 1700 UTC Time. Amateur stations in the affected area should be aware of the storm, and be prepared to operate from a place of safety. We will be looking for condition reports from stations in the affected area. We do appreciate the consideration of Amateur Operators in keeping our frequency clear, and listening for possible relays. For information on the storm and the Hurricane Watch Net, go to http://www.hwn.org. We are also on Facebook.

1460. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-08 19:57:59 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120808195728.9AFA81233336E@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2377
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter subscription
2012-08-08
MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 32 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-08-08
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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UPCOMING METEOR SHOWERS: AUGUST 2012

August marks the return of one of the most popular meteor showers: the Perseids.
Although this shower has proven to be very dynamic in recent years
(as in 2009, for example), only the ï¿½normalï¿½ peak, with ZHR around 100 hr-1,
is expected to occur this year. According to IMO, the maximum in 2012 is
expected to occur on August 12, between 12h and 14h30m UT, with peak having ZHR = 100 hr-1.
No encounters with other trails are expected this year.
Please note that recent IMO observations found that timing of ï¿½traditionalï¿½ broad
maximum
varied between λsol=139ï¿½8 to 140ï¿½3, equivalent to 2012 August 12, 07h UT to 19h30m
UT.
Of course, some minor showers will also be active in August, κ-Cygnids, Aurigids and
daylight γ-Leonids being the most significant.
Last but not least, donï¿½t forget the great help given by Sporadic Meteors:
their rates are very close to annual maximum in August.

MMMonVHF and DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter-Sprint Contest (World Wide)
The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF in cooperation with the magazine DUBUS invites you
to take part in our 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest.
>Date: 12./13. August 2012 Time period for 48 hours. More information:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctestinfo.php or navigation bar -> Projects -> MS sprint contest

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: EW ; Belarus ; Square: KO32-KO42 ; start 2012-08-01 **

LATEST NEWS from US8ZAL, dated 2012-08-06:
We're leaving tomorrow. At 4:00 am local time. Way by the car about 1,100 km.
Unfortunately,
us now three only, and we reserve EME antenna at 432 MHz at home. We will take only one
antenna
at 432 MHz - 17el DK7ZB. We can't received callsign of the club, so we will QRV as
EW/UY5HF, EW/UR7GO and EW/US8ZAL.
Still we not have info about Belarus internet, but think what must be OK. 73! Vlad

LATEST NEWS from US8ZAL, dated 2012-07-31:
Unfortunately, we linger. Not yet obtained a license. In any case,
we will be QRV for at least 10 days. Hopefully, this week everything will be decided.

>From August 1 to August 10, the team SUDXF will QRV MS, EME, TROPO
of squares KO42, KO32. We start at the same time of two squares:
one EME, from another MS and TROPO. After four days, changing squares.
Call - EW/UT2GWW. Range - 144 MHz? may be and 432 MHz.
Frequencies: EME - 144,138 MHz, MS - 144.353 MHz. The work is always in the
first period.
Operators: EME - Anatoly, UY5HF, Alex, UR7GO. MS - Vlad, US8ZAL, Mike, US0GM.
QSL via US8ZAL

SOURCE: tnx to US8ZAL, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: OX ; Greenland: Square: HP15 ; start 2012-07-28 **

OX3LX qrv from HP15EO on HF, 2m 4m and 6m Again this year I have
some work to do in HP15 so therefore I will be QRV when not at QRL
on 2m,4m and 6m. It will also be possible to find me on HF 1.8-30
MHz where I am QRV from NA-151. Main focus is 2m EME and 4m Es
Setup is: 4m/6m 100W 4 elm duoband. 2m 1KW M2-5WL 17 elm yagi with
manual elevation and azimut. QRG's will be decide when on site.
please find me on EU/NA ON4KST or JT65 EME chat
SOURCE: tnx to OZ1DJJ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SP ; Poland ; Square: JO84 ; start 2012-08-05 **

LATEST NEWS by DK2ZF, dated 2012-08-05:
Rolf appeared on 144 MS and made several QSO's this morning.
Sometime will appear on 144.377 and running 1st.

Rolf, DK2ZF will be qrv from Holiday Place in JO84TH Holiday style -
most of the time will be fishing.. hopefully succesful ! But will
join the Perseids !!! No internet - its an isolated site - 70.200
with QSX 69.950/990 for DL
SOURCE: tnx to Rolf, DK2ZF, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EI ; Ireland : Square: IO42 ; start 2012-08-09 **

EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD - LATEST NEWS from EI8IQ,
dated 2012-07-12: EI9E/P - Perseid meteor shower from IO42SD
We hope to be QRV from the evening of the 9th to the afternoon of
the 13th from IO42.(Dates may vary). Will be on ON4KST when operation
starts. Equipment,QRG,s,Modes,Dates to be decided and when confirmed
will be updated here. QSL Direct or via Bureau. For direct QSLs please
send via EI8IQ with donation to cover return postage.
SOURCE: tnx to EI8IQ direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: UA: Russia ; square LO47 ; start 2012-08-11 **

The holiday style one-man MS expedition during Perseids
(2012-08-11 18-00 UTC and 2012-08-13 06-00 UTC)
9 el yagi, 200wt, LNA, FT-897D
144Mhz only and tropo for small QRB.
RA4SD/4 LO47bd

SOURCE: tnx to RA4SD direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: UA: Russia ; square KO30 & KN39 ; start 2012-08-11 **

During Perseids ut5st/p & uw8sm/p qrv from KO30 and KN39

SOURCE: tnx to UT5ST direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: LA: Norway ; square JP60 ; start 2012-08-11 **

LA9DFA will activate JP60bg again this year. Primary target will be 144MHz,
but if more operators go with me this time, perhaps we will do some 70MHz and 50MHz to.
Will go to JP60bg sometime between July 23 and 29 to setup antennas for 144MHz.
Will do some operating that day to test antennas and PA. Will announce this on
ON4KST chat in advance. It's weather depended. Will use 2x9el and a 250W on 144Mhz.
Frequency and mode will be announced on ON4KST chat. Will operate random and please follow
me on Shout for info about beamheadings, frequency and tx-periode and so on.
Found that the following hams do need JP60 on 144MHz:
DD3SP DF5NK DF6YL DG1VL DG9YIH DH6DAO DH6JL DJ6AG DK5DQ DK7BY DK7LFG DL0UL DL1RNW DL1SUZ
DL3YEE DL4DWA DL5WG DL6ZAU DL9MCC DM1CG EI8IQ ES3RF F5JKK G1CWP G8VHI GW8IZR GW8JLY HA6NQ
HA6NY HB9DFG HB9FAP I3LGP I5WBE IK4PMB IV3DXW LA4YGA OE3MWS OH3JP OH3KLJ OH4GGW OH5LID
OH6UW
OH8MGK OK1MZM OK1UAK ON4IMM ON4IQ ON7GB OZ1ANA OZ1DJJ PA2M PA3ECU PA4EME PA4PS PA5MS PE1AHX
PE1IKX PE1OPK PG1A RA1OFH RU3ACE RX3QFM S51AT S53J S54O S54AA S55AW S57EA S57SU SM5HUA
SP6NVN
US2YW UT5ER YL2CZ YO2BBT YU7KB
Hope to see you during Perseids, if not before!!
Stay tuned.
SOURCE: tnx to Morten LA9DFA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM: Scotland ; square IP90 ; start 2012-08-20 **

GM6VXB/P qrv from IP90NT

Will be in IP90 for four days (work during day)and will try to work MS
or E's (if conditions). Operations will be early mornings and late evenings work
permitting. KST is possible but intermittent so MS calls will be random on 370/QSY.
Only small setup, 120 Watt to 9 el yagi on 144 or 100 Watt to 5 el yagi on 50

SOURCE: tnx to Martin, GM6VXB, direct to MMMonVHf

** DXCC: EA8 ; Canary Isl. Square: IL38 ; start 2012-08-22 **

EA8 (IL38) back on EME
Im heading down to EA8 straight after the Cambridge conference,
I have fixed the 2m preamp/PA and hope to be qrv from IL38 on both 2m and 70cm. Aug 22-29th.
73 Dave G4RGK

SOURCE: tnx to Dave G4RGK direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany Square: JO44 ; start 2012-08-25 **

Andy DG3XA will be qrv from the Island of Amrum JO44EP
QRV 144 Mhz with 50 watts @ 3 ele / 6m with Dipol TRXV: IC 7000 very small rig, because i carry my rig by bike on the island.
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1461. eHam.net News for Wednesday 8 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-08 22:08:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934070f4e9a3704c6c85a79@google.com>
Source record: 2378
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Curiosity Rover Tags Mars with Morse Tire Tracks:

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28765

NASA's Curiosity rover may not look like an urban menace, but the robot explorer will in fact be steadily tagging the Martian surface as it trundles, leaving a name-check of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory back home. The clandestine graffiti is thanks to part of the rover's visual odometry system, John Graham-Cumming points out, which tracks the marks left by a series of asymmetrically arranged holes in the wheels. The position of those holes, however, isn't random: in fact, it's Morse Code. In fact, there are three sets of notches, which progressively leave three rows of dots and dashes in the Mars grit. That pattern is ". - - -"; ". - - ."; ". - . ." or, translated into English, "JPL", the acronym for the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

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N6G 75th Ann. Golden Gate Bridge Video:

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 04:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28764

N6G - Special Event for the 75th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge. Thanks to all who made contact with us for this very special occasion Here is a little video we produced.

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Fire Island Lighthouse Aug 18th/19th:

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 04:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28758

W2GSB - FIRE ISLAND LIGHT HOUSE, Fire Island, New York.
August 18th and 19th 1300Z Saturday to 1600Z Sunday. 80 thru 10 meters plus satellites CW, SSB and PSK31.

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Press Release -- DxSpot 1.0.1 Released:

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 04:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28757

Green Creek Technology, LLC announces the release of
DxSpot version 1.0.1 for iPhone, iPad and iPod touch. DxSpot is your
mobile access into the Amateur Radio DX
cluster network. With DxSpot you can connect to the DX
cluster of your choice. The internal database supplies the
connection parameters to over 300 DX clusters. Once
connected enjoy formatted table views of DX spots, DXCC
information, connected users, cluster announcements,
colorized WWV propagation data, and keep current with the
latest DX news.

1462. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 8 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-09 02:57:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5396b3e42f7cc04c6cc632a@google.com>
Source record: 2379
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Why Ham Radio Is Still Handy - TechNewsWorld

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 05:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFlCRe-EFCtu5cnC51BL3Gf3iJV0w&url=http://www.technewsworld.com/story/Why-Ham-Radio-Is-Still-Handy-75830.html

Why Ham Radio Is Still Handy
TechNewsWorld
In New York City, a loosely organized national group called "Amateur Radio Emergency Service" (ARES) was activated within five minutes of American Flight 11 crashing into the north tower, the first attack. Private, non-government radio operators ...

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Club sponsors site for FCC amateur radio license testing - Prescott Daily Courier

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 09:55 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHXTLN8y-Bf5qGzxOzdb3dvDYg5CA&url=http://www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID%3D1%26SubSectionID%3D1%26ArticleID%3D109522

Club sponsors site for FCC amateur radio license testing
Prescott Daily Courier
The location is the Jeep Posse Building in Pioneer Park, Prescott, behind the hockey rink, off Commerce Drive. The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club sponsors periodic testing and classes for all FCC amateur radio licenses. For more information or to pre ...

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Commission stops cell tower placement with lack of vote - LaGrange Daily News

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 09:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFbgcQiFKEyRMWYODeYVN1EVqKSDg&url=http://www.lagrangenews.com/view/full_story/19725846/article-Commission-stops-cell-tower-placement-with-lack-of-vote?instance%3Dpopular

Commission stops cell tower placement with lack of vote
LaGrange Daily News
Amateur radio operators in the area are a vital part in helping get information out on severe weather, he said. Former West Point police chief David Kerr, also a ham radio operator, said that the services amateur radio operators provide is vital to ...

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Loop Head to host international radio broadcast as part of
international ... - Galway Advertiser

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 04:07 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGMPeP8QOM3bFqBFWLOT_nLA4MkTQ&url=http://www.advertiser.ie/galway/article/54157/loop-head-to-host-international-radio-broadcast-as-part-of-international-lighthouse-celebration

Loop Head to host international radio broadcast as part of international ...
Galway Advertiser
During the broadcast, visitors to the lighthouse will be able to listen
into communications with some of the other participating ham radio
operators broadcasting from 400 other lighthouses and lightships in 50
countries. The annual event, which is ...

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Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams - Times of India

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 03:58 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ96xjdcQ35dHk5mAUgSaMGpc8LQ&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Ham-radio-to-link-Ahmedabad-students-with-Sunita-Williams/articleshow/14972807.cms

Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams
Times of India
Ham radio or amateur radio is frequently used for the communication from
space to earth and vice versa and in the past, many of the astronauts
stationed at ISS have had talks with students narrating their experiences
and answering their queries. So far ...

and more

1463. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 9 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-09 06:22:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5014cc1a4e55b04c6cf411f@google.com>
Source record: 2380
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Boxboro 2012 - The ARRL New England Convention, Aug. 24-26, 2012

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 07:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356976-Boxboro-2012-The-ARRL-New-England-Convention-Aug-24-26-2012&goto=newpost

The ARRL New England Convention will be held at the Holiday Inn,
Boxborough, Massachusetts, August 24-26, 2012.

The official website is: http://www.boxboro.org/

1464. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 12 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-09 08:11:02 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <955020ba-bc31-454a-acd3-11891694f5b3@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2381
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-08-12.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - August 12 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 12 2012.

VI5CW

ECHOLINK 101

MOVE TV OFF UHF TO INTERNET

FLOWERS THE PRIZE IN A YL CONTEST

IS YOUR RIG STILL LEGAL? BUYER BEWARE!

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 12 2012.

Mission to make Curiosity count

With the Curiosity Mars landing Aug 6, The Canberra Times interviewed
radio amateur Len Ricardo VK1ALR. Now it just so happens that VK1ALR is
Operations Manager at the Canberra Deep Space Communication Complex.

Len has had a passion for space since the launch of the first Sputnik mission
in October 1957. A nine-year-old in Brisbane at the time, he watched the
tiny white speck pass overhead in the night sky and heard the ''beep, beep,
beep'' signal on the evening radio news (TV had not arrived in VK4 at that

time.)

''I started to play at amateur radio at school and I had a crystal set I got for my birthday,'' he said. ''I'm still a ham radio operator, I just never expected to have a set this big (indicating Tidbinbilla's 70-metre dish which is even larger than the 1950/60s instrument at Parkes).

Read the full story at
canberratimes.com.au/act-news/mission-to-make-curiosity-count-20120801-23fq1.html

The Mar Rover Curiosity transmits around 401 MHz but the transponder on the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter (MRO) has a C.C.S.D.S. Forward Frequency in the 437 MHz Amateur-Satellite Service band.

435-438 MHz is shared with the Military and 432-438 MHz is also a Space SAR Band. General Space usage extends beyond that.

The MRO has a UHF transponder "MELACOM" (401 to 437 MHz) and 2 patch antennas to communicate with any landed asset on Mars surface supporting the CCSDS Proximity-1 protocol.

http://www.spaceops2012.org/proceedings/documents/id1295328-Paper-003.pdf

http://descanso.jpl.nasa.gov/DPSummary/MRO_092106.pdf

Speaking of radio telescopes, British physicist and astronomer Bernard Lovell, who developed one of the world's largest radio telescopes, has died at 98.

Lovell was founder of England's Jodrell Bank Observatory and creator of its massive 76-metre-wide radio telescope that has borne his name since 1987.

Lovell's was the only Western device able to pinpoint and track Sputnik's booster rocket October 4, 1957. Lovell also led an important World War II research project that developed the world's first radar system for scanning the ground. The H2S radar technology was used on British bombers from 1943 onward to identify ground targets at night and low visibility.

(sbs news on line plus southgate)

Codan Acquisition of Canadian Land Mobile Radio Communications Company.

Codan Limited has entered into an agreement to acquire all of the shares in Canadian-based company, Daniels Electronics Limited, a leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of land mobile radio communications solutions in North America.

Codan's Managing Director, Donald McGurk, said "The acquisition of Daniels delivers on Codan's stated strategy of growing market share and diversifying its radio communications product offering. The Board believes that Codan's extensive international distribution network will deliver significant growth opportunities to the Daniels business. Codan will seek to offer land mobile radio solutions across its global distribution network, especially in the emerging world".

An aside to the Codan story, many of us have commercial Codan transceivers modified for the ham bands, but what if we reversed that and had a ham transceiver capable of transmitting on a commercial channel?

Stay tuned when we present "the final final" this week.

(various press reports)

A group from the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society will travel to Cape Willoughby at the eastern end of Kangaroo Island, to operate over the Lighthouse and Lightship weekend, August 18th and 19th.

A special call VI5CW has been allocated. Operation will be on 80, 40 and 20 metres phone, as well as 2metres and 70cm. A special QSL card has been produced for the weekend.

Operators are Paul VK5PAS, Hans VK5YX, Lesley VK5LOL, Mark VK5VW, Sasi VK5SN and Aysha VK5FASH and David VK5KC, with support from Spouses.

Google VI5CW for more information.

We look forward to a contact with you.

General public reads about the ILLW

>From The Inlander, Kangaroo Island in South Australia, is an article about this VI 5 CW who reports that the worldwide event was initiated in 1993 in Scotland, as a way to promote the hobby and shine a light on the need to restore and preserve lighthouses and lightships.

VI 5 CW at Cape Willoughby during this weekend when the Lighthouse will be open to members of the public.

And reception from KI to your QTH should be excellent, years ago, in 1930 actually a Radio Amateur George Anderson, on Kangaroo Island, was responsible for linking the King's voice in the UK with Australia.

When the Melbourne wireless reception was a total failure through unfavourable atmospheric conditions, Anderson was appealed to. He picked up the King's voice which he then relayed to Adelaide and Melbourne.

More on ILLW later in this the GLOBAL edition of WIA NATIONAL NEWS.

(sourced to Jim Linton VK3PC, KI News, Inlander and AHARS)

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RD Opening Speech for early readers and listeners of this weekend's WIA news.

For 2012, the 20 minutes leading to the beginning of the contest features the Opening Speech broadcast consisting of:

an introduction by Peter Ellis VK1PE (host),
comments by Alan Shannon VK4SN (Contest Manager),
comments and thanks by Michael Owen VK3KI (President of the WIA),
a reading of the list of Australian Amateurs who died during World War 2,
and a discussion with, and the opening speech by, Colonel Rupert Hoskin RAE.

The direct URL for the RD Audio File as follows:

http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/rdcontest/documents/2012-Opening-Address.mp3

"Simply go to the RD Contest page on the WIA website either by selecting
the RD Contest under contests menu in the members dropdown menu of the WIA
website, or go directly to the page by clicking the picture of the RD trophy
on the right hand side of the WIA home page. There at the bottom of the page
for you to download you will find the 2012 opening address MP3 file."

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Hello .This vk4fnaa Ian wells from Biloela.

On Sunday the 5th of august the Banana Shire Repeater Association Inc held
its special agm meeting in Biloela and it was decided that the bsra would
welcome amateur radio operators in banana shire to become members of the
association .

The association is also looking forward to installing a 2 meter and 70 cm
repeater on banana range pending approval by the WIA and the acma.

Membership to this new association is welcome to all amateur and CB users
and further information is available by contacting the secretary Ian wells
vk4fnaa on 0409 159 932 or by visiting

kerinvale comaudio
3a murchision street
biloela.

Thank You ,Ian Wells
www.kerinvalecomaudio.com.au

Ipswich & District Radio Club
P.O. Box 250
Ipswich Qld 4305
Web - www.vk4wip.com
Email - vk4wip@wia.org.au
Main 2 meter repeater - 146.900, linked to 438.375 and 439.300

If you have been thinking about attending the 50 -year celebration dinner for
the Ipswich and District Radio Club on Saturday August 25, now is the time to
spring into action.

To make this night a success, we need early bookings to be confirmed with payment before August 17.

A hot and cold buffer dinner, including dessert is only $40 per person. It's a 6 for 6.30pm start at the Ipswich Turf Club.

More details are on the club website www.vk4wip.com, or contact club treasurer John Edwards VK4IE to reserve your seat and arrange payment. (Phone 07 3379 6296 or jkedw@bigpond.com).

Graham Kemp VK4BB has kindly agreed to be guest speaker.

We also plan to have some club memorabilia on display, along with a selection of photographs from the archives of club members.

Overnight visitors can choose from a range of local accommodation. Check out the Discover Ipswich website (www.discoveripswich.com.au) with links to nearby hotels and online bookings.

Partners are especially welcome, along with past, present and future members - in other words everyone is welcome.

If you know someone who may be interested in attending please share this information with them as soon as possible.

Reporting from Ipswich, this is Allan VK4FABR.

DISCUSSION POINT

Last Sunday we brought you news of the F-troop net running on Echo-Link for about an hour every Saturday morning at 08:00 WST, or midnight UTC thanks to the work of Ronald VK6XS and the conference server run by Tony VK3JED.

BUT for our "new comers" what is IRLP and EchoLink?

Over the past few weeks I've been playing with an Amateur Radio technology that links my work-life and my hobby together. For some, that might be a boon, for me, I have been trying to get out of the office - I work from home - to have a life and Amateur Radio is my escape from the world of Information Technology. Little did I realise at the start that the two go hand in hand. You win some, you lose some.

Anyway, the technology I've been playing with is called EchoLink. It's a way of linking radios across the Internet which allows you to communicate with Hams across the world, without needing HF, or even a radio for that matter.

Before I get too far into this, I should point out that there is a common held misconception that Foundation Licence holders are not allowed to use this technology. This is not true. You are not allowed to hook your computer to your radio, but there's no license condition that prevents you using the set-up that another Ham is running. This means that you cannot run an EchoLink Sysop node, but you can obtain and legally use EchoLink with your Foundation call-sign.

I should also point out that there are two Internet linking technologies - well, there are many more, but for the purposes of this discussion, two - that achieve similar things. EchoLink is one, IRLP, or Internet Radio Linking Project, is the other.

Both allow you to link Hams together. IRLP links radios (using specialised hardware and a copy of Linux), EchoLink on the other hand links software, which may or may not be connected to a radio. That's right. You can use EchoLink on your computer without a radio. You can also use it on your iPhone and Android powered phone. No projects under way for any other smart phones at this time. And of course, you can use EchoLink and IRLP via a radio if you are in range of an IRLP node or an EchoLink Sysop none, using DTMF tones to control them.

Back to EchoLink. You can download it for nix at echolink.org and once you've scanned in your Amateur License and emailed it to EchoLink to verify that you're in fact a licensed Ham, you're good to go.

You'll find that there are places where you can link to many Amateurs at once, or you can have a one-on-one QSO with another Ham.

I should also mention that there are also special nodes that have both EchoLink and IRLP installed, which allows you to link the two. You'll find that there are many 'nets around that use this technology. A home grown one is the Friday Night Technical Net, which is run by Reg, VK6BQQ, on Friday Night - Ontario Time, and Saturday Morning in VK. You can find it at the VAN-IRLP EchoLink node, which is run from Vancouver.

With the help of a few local Amateurs, we have the F-troop 'net, which is a weekly hour of chat that I host for New and Returning Hams available via EchoLink too, which allows people across the country to sign in and participate.

So, if you don't have a radio yet, or if your radio is nowhere near where you are, you can use EchoLink to still stay in touch.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

"Writtle Calling" celebrates 90th anniversary of 2MT

On the 90th anniversary of the start of regular broadcasting in the UK by 2MT Writtle, the communications regulator Ofcom have issued a licence to broadcast station "Writtle Calling" on 87.7 MHz FM.

In 1922, regular broadcasting started from the 2MT (Two-Emma-Toc) Marconi hut at Writtle near Chelmsford, Essex. The hut is now preserved in the Chelmsford Sandford Mill museum.

Writtle Calling aims to commemorate this anniversary and from September 10 to 18 will be broadcasting from the grounds of Writtle College, Essex, near to the site of the original Two-Emma-Toc station.

Information on Writtle Calling
http://www.writtlecalling.co.uk/pr3.pdf

You can listen to Writtle Calling online at
http://www.writtlecalling.co.uk/

in related news, a developer buys former Chelmsford Marconi site.

The BBC report that the Marconi New Street factory is to be redeveloped
after being left derelict for several years.

Marconi New Street was the world's first purpose designed and built wireless
factory. Opened in June 1912 it has stood empty since 2008.

Read the BBC story at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-essex-19037972

TV should switch to internet, peers suggest

The Guardian newspaper reports on a House of Lords committee suggestion that
TV should be moved onto the Internet to free up radio spectrum

Read the Guardian article at
http://www.guardian.co.uk/technology/2012/jul/31/digital-television-internet-revolution

RADIO AMATEURS OF CANADA CANCELS 2012 NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 2012 Radio Amateurs of Canada National Convention slated for this weekend
August 10th to the 12th has been cancelled.

According to a press release, planners cite a low number of per-registrants
as one of the reasons that the society has taken this action.

The organizers say they now working on plans for the 2013 show. They also
apologized to all who had arranged vacation or travel plans around this
convention.

What little else is known about the cancellation can be found on-line
convention2012.rac.ca

NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING WRC 2015

A proposed permanent secondary allocation to the amateur service at or near
5 MHz is among agenda items for the World Radiocommunication Conference in
2015.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

There are numerous items on the 2015 World
Radiocommunications meeting agenda, as spelled
out at the end of the recently concluded 2012
conference. One is the proposal for a possible
new allocation to the amateur service on a
secondary basis within the band 5.250 to 5.450
MHz. The International Amateur Radio Union has

described such an allocation as being among the best for hams to use to provide around the clock emergency communications. So far, little in the way of objections has been heard in public.

According to the publication Radio World, it is the National Telecommunications and Information Administration that coordinates United States participation in the WRC conferences, doing so though a number of government departments and agencies are involved. According to N-T-I-A's website, the next conference will consider spectrum requirements for uses ranging from mobile service allocations for broadband to controlling unmanned aircraft from space.

These conferences are held by the International Telecommunication Union every few years to talk about international radio regulations. An FCC advisory group will start to meet this month in preparation for the next one. The commission also has set up a website with information about WRC-15. While WRC-15 may seem far away, the planning for it is already getting underway.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm norm Seeley, KI7UP, Scottsdale, Arizona.

Another item of interest on the WRC 15 agenda is the feasibility of achieving a continuous reference time-scale. This either by the modification of coordinated universal time or some other method.

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RSGB

Serbia elects radio amateur as PM

Former Serbian Internal Affairs Minister Ivica Dacic, YU1YU, was elected as that country's newest Prime Minister on July 27th.

Dacic is a member of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia, the SRS Serbia's IARU Member-Society and is said to be a member of his local club, YU1AAV.

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VK Remembrance Day Contest August 11-12
WW International Lighthouse Lightship Wknd August 18-19
WW ALARA August 25-26
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Bill Moore NC1L, the ARRL Awards Branch Manager has announced that the 2012
H 44 UD operation from the Solomon Islands has been approved for DXCC credit.
Cards for that operation may now be submitted.

A pair of twinned Special Event Stations, GB175PO and TM175PO,
will be running in Dover and Calais to celebrate 175 years of P&O.
Operation starts on 11th August and will be running for 30 days.
Both stations will have the opportunity to work from ferries at
various times during the operation.

Stefan, DL4ST is in Afghanistan until the end of September. He is
active as T6SS and so far has been worked mainly on 20m.

Prefix hunters, remember Croatia is marking their 20th Anniversary of the
allocation of the 9A prefix. Operators there are now permitted to insert the
figures '20' into their callsigns.

For example 9A2AA will become 9A202AA, 9A1MM becomes 9A201MM etc.

These prefixes are available throughout 2012.

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Temotu Province H 40 FN between December 22nd and January 7th of 2013.
QSL H 40 FN via HA8DD.

Morocco CN 2 YZ through years end from the city of Tangier especially on the
weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also
providing a Web site with a log-check.
It's in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

Colin VK5FCJM appeared in his local newspaper this week, The
"Yorke Peninsula Country Times".

He is a long standing member of the Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol SA's
Yorke Peninsula group and thanks to VK5FCJM they now have a mobile
communications base thanks to his generosity.

Seems VK5FCJM has purchased a vehicle and is outfitting it to provide the
Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrols with a mobile communications base.

The short version on the newspapers website is available from
http://www.ypct.com.au/index.php/news/12545-coastal-communications-on-the-go

Also in Media Watch it's congratulations to VK4SSB Craig Huth from Taree
who is a finalist in this year's Commercial Radio Australia awards.

Craig from the Super Radio Network's MAX-FM and 2RE is nominated for
Best Talks Presenter, Best Current Affairs Presenter and for
Best Community Service Project.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Invitations have been issued to attend MYGAREC 2012, the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference on November 12 to 14, in Port Dickson, Malaysia.

This international conference is an informal forum by radio amateurs from IARU societies and others involved in providing support communications to emergency and relief services in times of any emergencies or disaster.

Delegates are invited to make submissions, whether they are proposals, information papers and reports, only about emergency or disaster relief operations they may have been involved in since September 2011.

MYGAREC 2012 is hosted by MARTS (Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society) and aims to promote more awareness between government ministries, departments, agencies and regulatory authorities.

Some delegates from countries which have experienced recent disasters will be giving their presentations on the lessons learned through their involvement.

MARTS believes there are countries short on knowledge about the resources that can be provided by amateur radio volunteers, which have up till now remained almost unused.
The conference is for all whether they already have an organised emergency communications response team with ideas to share, in search of more solutions, or are in the process of setting a group up.

Attendance at MYGAREC 2012 will share more about the modern functions and roles of such teams in the amateur radio service.

For more information visit the website http://www.mygarec2012.com/garec/

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

The Essex International Jamboree (in the UK) with amateur radio station GB 2 EIJ takes place near Chelmsford in Essex August 18-25 and they will also have their own broadcast station.

GB 2 EIJ will be on the air on most bands using SSB as well as the Data Modes. They hope to be able to use EchoLink (look for G 7 BIV with GB 2 EIJ in the title).

Broadcast station Jam FM 107.2 is the special Guiding and Scouting Jamboree station that will broadcast from the Essex International Jamboree site. As well as 107.2 MHz the station will also be broadcasting online, see http://www.eij.org.uk/media/jam-fm

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

ATV exponents ready to party

The World QSO Digital Amateur Television Party takes place on Friday August the 24th and Saturday the 25th involving Australia, California and Arizona in the US, plus the British Amateur Television Club website.

Bob Minnick W8ARZ and Lee Weitzel K0CCU, both in Arizona, will use the resources of linked ATV repeaters.

Lee K0CCU has Skype video of very high quality and tested through the DATV repeater VK3RTV. The digitisation of VK3RTV has been made possible by the WIA Club Grants Scheme and funding from Amateur Radio Victoria.

Peter VK3BFG described this as an exciting development as it will significantly increase participation in a wide area of Arizona.

It will again hook up with Don Hill KE6BXT and the Southern Californian ATV network.

The first such QSO Party organised by Peter Cossins VK3BFG occurred during the Centenary celebrations of Amateur Radio Victoria last year.

Peter VK3BFG will run the event through the Melbourne repeater VK3RTV with live direct contact from stations in the Melbourne and Geelong areas, mingled with images and sound received outside its coverage area via Skype.

There will also participation from VK2, VK3, VK4, VK5 and VK7. Although there is no active ATV Repeater in the area, Don VK5ADM will receive signals transmitted to him on various microwave frequencies and act as the local anchor.

The Radio and Electronics Association of Southern Tasmania VK7OTC will participate from its studios in Hobart.

Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club are having great success with their ATV experiments. At a meeting recently in Penguin, Winston 7EM, Dion 7DB and Dave 7DC demonstrated their progress of the Digital ATV Repeater.

This was done by putting it to air in a closed room situation and transmitting some of the video footage which was taken on the day of the battery replacement on Mt Duncan, all in attendance said that the quality of the video was mind blowing, it will open new doors in the hobby of Amateur radio for many on the North West Coast of Tasmania.

Amongst the good attendance on that test day was a visitor from the North, Alvin VK7NDQ and a new comer to the North West, Malcolm, VK4ZMM who in an earlier life was actively involved with commercial TV in Brisbane, as was his XYL.

(Jim Linton VK3PC and VK7WI News)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

HERE IS A GREAT IDEA FOR OUR ALARA MEMBERS!

To celebrate Woman's Day in South Africa, the S.A.R.L. held its annual YL Sprint August 9.

The logs from all YL participating in the event were entered into a lucky draw for a beautiful flower arrangement to be delivered to the winner's home no matter where they were located.

(zs4bfn@netactive.co.za)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

Plenty of lighthouses to be on air

The International Lightship and Lightship Weekend fun event occurs next Saturday and Sunday with hundreds of registrations already received.

Organisers report that the final week usually results in up to 100 registrations as we head towards a record year.

In the lead is Australia just ahead of the USA, then comes Germany, England, The Netherlands, Scotland, South Africa, Argentina, Canada, Sweden, Switzerland and Wales.

A total of 43 countries are represented, mostly with smaller numbers, but most welcome activations.

It was started by John Forsyth GM4OOU and the late Mike Dalrymple GM4SUC, both members of Ayr Amateur Radio Group which operates GB2LT at Turnberry Lighthouse in Scotland.

No matter where you are there will be plenty of Lighthouses or Lightships and vessels to work on the weekend, which publicises amateur radio and the former maritime navigation structures.

The 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is August 18th and 19th.

There are online registrations, guidelines, statistics and more at ILLW.NET

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

AUG 12 VK2 SARCFEST at Summerland ARC Clubrooms, Lismore this weekend.

AUG 25 VK4 50 YEARS OF IPSWICH AR CLUB DINNER ITC

AUG 26 VK2 Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club WinterFest. CANCELLED

SEP 8 VK4 SARCFEST WOOMBYE. (Sunshine Coast).

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

Important News from The Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club.

The Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club wish to apologise to everyone, because this year's BMARC Winterfest has been cancelled !

The executive committee has decided that since some vendors, have withdrawn from the event, due to stock availability, and also considering the current state of a new clubhouse, they have made the drastic decision NOT to hold Winterfest this year, but to instead improve facilities and have a better Winterfest next year instead.

They did not take this decision lightly, and again apologise to members, friends, the WIA, ARNSW and vendors for making this decision at such late notice.

If you know of someone who was intending to come, could you please pass on the news.

BMARC will now regroup, improve facilities and have a great Winterfest next year instead.

73s from Erik Houseman
(VK2EJH - Publicity Officer for BMARC.)

FINAL FINAL

BUYER BEWARE - VK3ARM

A month ago, I purchased an upgrade IF Board for my trusty Kenwood TS-930S HF Transceiver. This board, commonly known as a PIEXX Board, comes from a supplier in Hillsboro, New Hampshire.

As advertised, it provides more stability, better VFO controls, a standard serial interface and 100 memories instead of the standard eight.

The TS-930S is a good workhorse that suffers with niggling problems from its original IF Board, so this upgrade is very popular with TS-930S owners.

The new board duly arrived and I installed it. The transformation to my radio was instant and I was extremely pleased with it, until I found that my HF radio is now capable of being used to transmit on any HF frequency outside the Amateur Bands.

On contacting the supplier I learned that he's been supplying these boards in an 'Open' state by default as so many people have asked for that modification when ordering.

I am now faced with the prospect of having to remove the board and send it back to the US for a firmware change, so that my radio will again be legal. I spoke with Mark Tell from the Compliance Section of theACMA about this.

While he was sympathetic to my problem, he reminded me that the onus to ensure that my radio complied with regulations under the Radio Communications Act fell directly on my shoulders. It was a case of 'Buyer Beware.'

So my warning is this:
Do look at available updates that make your life as an Amateur better but do ensure that anything you do to your radio doesn't result in an illegal installation that could lead to a knock on your door and a compliance warning or actual loss of your prized rig.

I'm Robert, VK3ARM.

A few of we 'full calls' queried this before running Roberts item and further came via VK3ARM from Mark Tell, Assistant Manager Field Operations, Australian Communications and Media Authority.

"Amateur Radios that are designed and limited to cover amateur radio bands only do not have to meet Australian standards, however, if the radio covers frequencies, or has been modified to cover frequencies outside of internationally recognised amateur bands, then it must meet the standards for equipment operating in those bands, as well as carry the appropriate regulatory compliance marking. As such, equipment which does not meet these standards is defined as non-standard equipment.

Please also see the link on wia.org.au which endorses this.

http://www.wia.org.au/licenses/licensing/amateurequipment/ which includes;

It is unlawful to be in possession of a radio transmitter that by applying power and pressing the PTT or transmit switch will transmit on a commercial frequency that the person concerned does not have a valid radiocommunications

licence.

Of course if you're a VK3 you can get along to the "Speaker night"
and hear the entertaining and informative Mark Tell of the Australian
Communications and Media Authority Field Office this Tuesday night at the
Amateur Radio Victoria office, 40g Victory Boulevard, Ashburton.

The meeting starts at 8pm on August the 14th with the latest on interference
detection, the education processes and last resort enforcement action taken
by our regulator, the ACMA

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh' and always if the news room is to read your
item write in the 3rd person.

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active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

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Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1465. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 9 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-09 11:07:03 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51dd9e770c20004c6d33991@google.com>
Source record: 2382
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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CASHOTA's 2012 Heritage Month

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CASHOTA's (Castles and Stately Homes on the Air) annual UK and IRE Heritage award will be commencing from the 18th August until the 30th September 2012. This event is held to highlight the European Heritage Open Days that will be held throughout the UK and Ireland (Please note each region has varied dates)

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InnovAntennas appointed exclusive distributor for Advanced Contest Solutions

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Sky Sat Communications has announced the appointment of InnovAntennas as exclusive distributor of its Advanced Contest Solutions line of ultra high performance Filters, Switches and Automation and Control Devices

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ATV exponents ready to party

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Hellschreiber Meteor Scatter

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In this video Tony K2MO shows amateur radio meteor scatter communications using the Hellschreiber mode

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Kickstarter features on HQA Radio

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In his HQA Radio show Tom Samacicio KB4HQA discusses amateur radio use of Kickstarter project funding

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Perseids Meteor Shower

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The ARRL report that the Perseids meteor show takes place Saturday night August 11

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Radio Hams fight cell-phone mast

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A proposal for a cell-phone mast has failed after a campaign by a group of ham radio operators

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RSGB Books used by Korean Satellite Pioneer

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The RSGB amateur radio books VHF-UHF Manual and the Radio Communication Handbook were referenced by Korean satellite pioneer Sungdong Park when he made the first Korean satellite KitSAT-OSCAR-25 in early 90's

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

1466. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 9 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-09 16:24:41 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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5T0SP Mauritania

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 11:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357059-5T0SP-Mauritania&goto=newpost

SP2EBG, SP3CYY, SP3GEM, SP6EQZ, SP3FXY, SP6IXF will be active from
Mauritania 24 November -10 December 2012 as 5T0SP

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/5t0sp_mauritania/

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Reminder of the Old Mulkey Meetinghouse Special Event

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 10:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356990-Reminder-of-the-Old-Mulkey-Meetinghouse-Special-Event&goto=newpost

Wanted to write a few lines to remind everyone again about our Special
Event coming up in September on the dates of 14th, 15th and 16th. We will
be on 3 bands as of now - 10 (if open), 20 and 40 meters. We are offering a
QSL card and a Certificate again this year. We also will be requiring a
S.A.S.E. #10 business size envelope. A # 10 business size envelope is 4
1/8" X 9 1/2". If you send the small envelope you will ONLY get the QSL
card. If you dont want the Certificate folded, then please send a 9" X 12"
yellow envelope with at least $1.20 return postage. If the yellow envelope
is not sent then we will fold it into the business sized envelope. Please
note!...we cannot and will not try to fold into a small envelope. Its
impossible!...And if you send your QSL without any S.A.S.E., then you will
get nothing! You can send your QSL & Certificate request to my home address
(KD4QHG) or to the Old Mulkey State Park at 38 Old Mulkey Park Rd.
Tompkinsville, Ky. 42167. On friday the 14th the children from the local
schools will be joining us to help make contacts. They will also be
lectured on the math and science behind amateur radio before they actually
get a chance to get on the radio. Please be patient with the children
because they may be a little mic. shy and they might not talk loud into the
mic also. We are expecting 160 kids this year!. Hopefully we can get as
many on the mic as possible. Also it is scheduled for saturday the 15th for
the Boy Scouts & the Cub Scouts to earn thier "Radio Merit Badge", so if
all goes well we will have them there with us. They will probably ask

certain question so please take the time to help answer what they ask. Please visit my page (KD4QHG) at QRZ.com and there is pictures of some of the students that came last year. For a little history on our event....We are commemorating the burial site of Hannah Boone Pennington who is the sister to the great pioneer Daniel Boone. She was the youngest of the 11 children of the Boone Family. She first married John Stewart in 1765, and had four daughters, Sarah, Mary, Rachel and Elizabeth Stewart. After he (John Stewart) was killed by Indians in Kentucky, she married in 1777 to Richard Pennington and they had four more children were born - Joshua, Daniel B., John Stewart and Abigail Pennington. Richard served his country during the Revolutionary War at Capt. Enoch Osborn's Fort in Virginia. The Penningtons migrated to the area of Mill Creek in lower Kentucky in 1798. Hannah died there on April 9, 1828. They worshipped at Old Mulkey Meetinghouse. They lived in Montgomery Co., VA, 1792 in what is now Grayson Co., VA, and in 1790 in Wilkes Co., NC. They moved from Wilkes Co., NC, to KY on the 7 Aug 1797, settling on the Little North Elkhorn River, 9 miles from Lexington. From there, they moved south of the Green River to Barren (now Monroe) Co., KY. They settled on Line Creek near the present day hamlet of Gamaliel, Monroe Co., KY. They moved to White Co., TN, where Richard died; Hannah then moved back to Monroe Co. and lived the rest of her life at the home of her son, Daniel Pennington near Old Mill Creek Church. Hannah is buried at what now is the Old Mulkey Meetinghouse State Park. It is known that Hannah was attacked by indians and was partially scalped, But, partially was because either someone caught the indians and killed them or they seen some men coming after them and they ran. But Hannah did survive the partial scalping and lived into her 80's. We The Monroe County Amateur Radio Group (of Kentucky) hope that we can make contact with you during our event....From all of us...73's and chat with you soon!:D

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CASHOTA Heritage Award in September 2012

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 09:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?356984-CASHOTA-Heritage-Award-in-September-2012&goto=newpost

CASHOTAS(Castles and Stately Homes on the Air)annual UK & IRE heritage award will be commencing from the 18th August until the 30th September 2012. This event is held to highlight the European Heritage Open Days that will be held throughout the UK and Ireland (Please note each region has varied dates).

If interested in participating either as an activator or heritage chaser, then visit http://www.cashota.co.uk/apps/calend...7279&pageNum=1 for more details and a list of stations that are registered so far.

or if you wish to register a station now then please complete a form at http://www.cashota.co.uk/activationform.htm

so lets enjoy our heritage on air in 2012. :D

1467. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 9 August 2012

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1st time in its 95 year history Lorain Harbor Light, US0143, will be On The Air!

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 06:41 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357073-1st-time-in-its-95-year-history-Lorain-Harbor-Light-US0143-will-be-On-The-Air!&goto=newpost

Press Release

For Immediate Release, 5 August 2012

Lorain County Wireless Operators

Will Operate From The

Lorain Harbor Light, US0143

LORAIN COUNTY OHIO ☐ The LCWO is pleased to announce its first group project. LCWO, in conjunction with the Lorain Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. will operate NW8S from the Lorain Harbor Light, US0143, in support of the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend, 18 & 19 August 2012.

The goal of the event is to ☐Promote public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for preservation and restoration, and at the same time to promote amateur radio and to foster International goodwill. Lighthouses are fast becoming an endangered species with the introduction of Global Positioning Systems and Satellite Navigation and the automation of the light source to solar power which has resulted in the withdrawal of management personnel (Keepers). It is hoped that this event will highlight this situation and help prevent further desecration of these magnificent structures all around the world.☐ (Source: ILLW)

This will mark the first time an amateur radio station has operated from the lighthouse and the first time in decades that the lighthouse will be occupied overnight. There are three light structures in Lorain Harbor. From east to west; Lorain East Detached Breakwater Light, Lorain Middle Breakwater Light & Lorain Harbor Light. The US Army Corps of Engineers completed the lighthouse in 1917 resting it in 30☐ of water in wooden cribs filled with sandstone then later encasing its base in concrete. The original focal plane, at 58☐, was a Forth Order Fresnel Lens which could be seen for approximately 15 miles out on Lake Erie. The USCG manned the lighthouse from 1939 thru 1965. In 1965 it was decommissioned and slated for demolition. After falling into years of disrepair & vandalism, and an

uncertain fate, a group of concerned citizens formed the Port of Lorain Foundation, Inc. saving the lighthouse from the wrecking ball. Currently restoration efforts are underway to return the lighthouse to her status as ☐Jewel of the Port☐

Please visit www.nw8s.com and www.lorainlighthouse.com for more information. Or contact Jeff Evans, KB8ZUN, at kb8zun@gmail.com .

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UltraBeam presents the world premiere of a new reference standard of Yagi, the DX ser

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357048-UltraBeam-presents-the-world-premiere-of-a-new-reference-standard-of-Yagi-the-DX-ser&goto=newpost

UltraBeam presents the world premiere of a new reference standard of Yagi, the DX series.

The new UB-1020 DX and UB-1040 DX utilize ten EHU motor unit, which through different combinations of electronic, create drawings dedicated yagi on all bands, this is a guarantee of optimum spacing for maximum value of gain and F / B.

UB-1020 DX: the equivalent of real five monoband, 8 elements for 10/12/15 elements and 6 elements for 17 and 20 meters band.

UB-1040 DX: seven monoband, 8 elements for 10/12/15 elements, 6 elements for 17-20 and 4 elements for 30 and 40 meters band.

The best dynamic antenna ever made in the world to date!

The dream of every DXer

UB-1020 DX Features :

- Frequency Range 14 - 30 Mhz

- 8 elements yagi 10☐12-15 meters

- 6 elements yagi 17-20 meters

- Gain 10-12-15 (dBd) 10,9 ☐ (dBi 13.15)

- Gain 17-20 (dBd) 9,3 ☐ (dBi 11,45)

- F/B ratio (dB) 23-25

- Power (PeP) 3500 watt

- Longest elements 11 meter

- Boom length 18 meter

- Boom trellis aluminum square 200x200 mm.

- Max wind-area 2,1

- Rotating radius 11,40 meters

- Mast diameter 76,2 mm.

- Weight 96.5 Kg.

- Controller Included

UB-1040 DX Features :

- Frequency Range 7 - 30 Mhz

- 8 elements yagi 10□12-15 meters

- 6 elements yagi 17-20 meters

- 4 elements yagi 30-40 meters

- Gain 10-12-15 (dBd) 10,9 □ (dBi 13.15)

- Gain 17-20 (dBd) 9,3 □ (dBi 11,45)

- Gain 30-40 (dBd) 8 □ (dBi 10,15)

- F/B ratio (dB) 23-25

- Power (PeP) 3500 watt

- Longest elements 21,5 meter

- Boom length 18 meter

- Boom trellis aluminum square 200x200 mm.

- Max wind-area 4,3

- Rotating radius 14,86 meters

- Mast diameter 100 mm.

- Weight 185 Kg.

- Controller Included

http://www.ultrabeam.it/site/index.p...mid=72&lang=en

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Tiny satellites to write Morse code, visible in the night sky

Posted: 27 Jul 2012 08:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?355628-Tiny-satellites-to-write-Morse-code-visible-in-the-night-sky&goto=newpost

http://dvice.com/archives/2012/07/tiny-satellites.php

I just saw this at dvice.com and thought I would share.

"An unmanned Japanese cargo vessel headed for the International Space
Station (ISS) this week is carrying some unusual cargo. In addition to
regular supplies, the vehicle contains some tiny, cube-shaped satellites

that, when deployed, will write Morse codemessages visible in the night sky.

One of the mini satellites, known as cubesats, has the job of helping researchers test optical communication techniques in satellites. The cubesat will use LEDs to first twinkle like an artificial star and eventually blink in Morse Code.

The cubesat is known as FITSAT-1 and was developed by Japan's Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT). It weighs just under three pounds and carries high output, 200 watt LEDs that will turn the cube into a flashing Morse code beacon.

Project leader Takushi Tanaka, an FIT professor of computer science and engineering discusses one of the most exciting elements of the project on the FITSAT-1 website:

"These [Morse code flashes], we hope, will be observable by the unaided eye or with small binoculars," Tanaka says.

It is expected the FITSAT-1 will be deployed from the ISS on September 6, by Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, using the Kibo module's robotic arm. Once in orbit the FITSAT-1 will travel between 51.6 degrees south latitude and 51.6 degrees north latitude, according to researchers.

The orbit and orientation is important to the success of the project. The tiny satellite contains a neodymium magnet that will always point it to magnetic north. This way, when the satellite rises above the horizon it will be to the south of the FIT ground station.

The flashing lights and Morse code signals from the FITSAT-1 will be received by the FIT ground station telescope and photo-multiplier device linked to an antenna. The ground gear and the satellite's LEDs will be aligned so the ground will receive the main beams.

The FITSAT-1 project will conduct high-speed and optical communication experiments for three minutes as the satellite moves through orbit, to prove the viability of optical communication with satellites.

Tanaka's website has additional detailed information on the construction of the FITSAT-1, communication frequencies and what it will be transmitting during the testing.

Seeing the little satellite in action firsthand might be challenging, but even if we only get to see the sky's newest inhabitant work via video from Tanaka's lab, it's cool to know we can wish upon a whole new star!"

1468. The ARRL Letter for August 9, 2012

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==> + ON THE AIR: PERSEIDS SHOULD BE FUN FOR METEOR SCATTER ENTHUSIASTS
AND VIEWERS ALIKE

On the night of Saturday, August 11 and well into the next day, Earth
will make its annual passage through the bulk of the debris shed by a
comet known as Swift-Tuttle
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/109P/Swift-Tuttle>. Much of the debris is
composed of dust-sized grains, but when these fragments come plunging
into our atmosphere they can create a dazzling meteor display. Not only
are the meteors fascinating to watch, they also leave short-lived
streams of ionized gas in their wake. As hams have known for years,
these meteor trails are excellent reflectors of radio waves. The
Swift-Tuttle meteor showers are known as the Perseids
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<http://www.amsmeteors.org/2012/08/viewing-the-2012-perseid-meteor-shower/>
because they appear to come from a point in the sky that lies within
the constellation Perseus.

This year's Perseid meteor shower occurs when the Moon is at a
waning crescent phase, which means bright moonlight won't diminish the
number of visible meteors. According to Spacedex.com
<http://www.spacedex.com/perseids/>, the lack of bright moonlight means
that the fainter meteors should not be concealed from view: "It is
advisable to observe the meteor shower during the predawn hours on the
mornings of August 11, 12 and 13. With up to 60-100 meteors per hour
predicted, observers may catch plenty of bright meteors streaking along
in the light of the Moon." As an added treat, the Moon will be sweeping
past Venus and Jupiter in the eastern predawn sky.

While the meteors are certainly bright, they are typically not much
larger than a grain of sand; however, as they travel at immense speeds,
these tiny particles put on an impressive show. Due to the way the
comet's orbit is tilted, dust from the Swift-Tuttle falls on Earth's
northern hemisphere. Unfortunately, this leads to extremely low
visibility for those in Australia, New Zealand and portions of South
America.

Amateur Radio and the Perseids

If you own a 6 or 2 meter SSB/CW transceiver, you can get in on the
action, bouncing your signals off Perseid meteor trails and making
quick meteor scatter <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Meteor_scatter>
contacts over hundreds of miles, and possibly even as much as 1200
miles. Meteor scatter operation is particularly easy on 6 meters where
100 W and an omnidirectional antenna will do the job. On 2 meters, a
directional antenna (such as a multielement Yagi) usually yields better
results.

Some meteor scatter operators prefer to use SSB, making rapid
exchanges of signal reports and grid squares. In recent years, digital
meteor scatter has been increasing in popularity. With the free
sound-card-based WSJT <http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/>
software suite by Joe Taylor, K1JT, it is possible to make digital
meteor scatter contacts almost any time of the day or night, not just
during annual showers. Most WSJT scatter operators use a mode known as
FSK441 and center their activities on calling frequencies 50.260 and
144.140 MHz. They also announce their availability by using Web sites,
such as N0UK's Ping Jockey Central
<http://www.pingjockey.net/cgi-bin/pingtalk>.

Watching the Perseids

To get the most enjoyment while watching for Perseids, find a dark spot
with an open sky view, bundle up thoroughly in blankets or a sleeping
bag and lie back in a reclining chair. Spacedex.com
<http://www.spacedex.com/perseids/> recommends that once you have

settled down at your observation spot, look approximately half way up the sky toward the northeast: "This way you can have the Perseids' radiant within your field of view. Looking directly up at the sky or into the radiant is not recommended since this is just the point in which they appear to come from. You are more likely to see a trail when looking slightly away from this point." Just gaze into the stars and be patient. Any light pollution will cut down on the numbers, as will the radiant's lower altitude earlier in the night. But the brightest few meteors shine right through light pollution, and the few that happen when the radiant is low are especially long, skimming the upper atmosphere and flying far across the sky.

Not all the meteors in the sky are Perseids. In addition to occasional random, sporadic meteors, the weaker Delta Aquarid shower <http://meteorshowersonline.com/showers/delta_aquarids.html> is also active during Perseid season. The Delta Aquarids are slower, often yellower and track away from a radiant point in eastern Aquarius. Weaker still are the Kappa Cygnids <http://www.astronomia.org/shower?la=en&s=KCG>, identifiable by their flight direction away from Cygnus in an altogether different part of the sky.

==> + MARS ROVER CURIOSITY SUCCESSFULLY LANDS ON RED PLANET

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) confirmed that the rover Curiosity, after a 36 week space flight, landed successfully on Mars at 10:32 PM PDT on August 5 (0532 UTC August 6). Built by JPL and launched on November 26, 2011, the 2000 pound machine features something on its wheels that radio amateurs are sure to appreciate: Morse code.

If you look carefully at Curiosity's wheels, you might notice that along with treads, there are square and rectangular holes that have an interesting pattern. According to JPL Rover Mechanical Engineering Team Manager Richard Rainen, these holes actually have a purpose: odometer markers. "We will be looking at the visual odometer markers that we have on the wheels," he explained in a video. "There are asymmetric patterns, actually holes, inside the wheels of the rover that will leave an imprint on the surface of Mars. We're going to be looking at these imprints and verifying that it has traversed the distance it expects to traverse. If it looks like it's not traversing, even though the wheels are going, that is an indication that the vehicle is getting stuck and it will stop and call back home." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/mars-rover-em-curiosity-em-successfully-lands-on-red-planet>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ITU ASSIGNS NEW PREFIX FOR NIUE: E6A-E6Z

On August 3, the ITU updated its Table of International Call Sign Series <http://www.itu.int/online/mms/glad/cga_callsign.sh?lng=E> to reflect a call sign change for Niue. The island will now have the entire E6 prefix block. Niue -- an island located approximately 1700 miles northeast of New Zealand -- is a self-governing island nation

that has been in free association with New Zealand since 1974. Prior to the change, the island used ZK2. According to the CIA World Factbook <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/ne.html>, Niue is about 1.5 times the size of Washington, DC, and has a population of almost 1300 people.

==> ON THE AIR: EXPLORE THE UPPER REACHES OF THE AMATEUR RADIO SPECTRUM IN THE ARRL 10 GHZ AND UP CONTEST

If you enjoy the technical side of Amateur Radio and being on the cutting edge, you might want to take a look at the microwave bands. The weekends of August 18-19 and September 15-16 give you a perfect chance to explore this portion of the radio spectrum with the 2012 ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest. The contest period for both weekends starts at 6 AM local time on Saturday and runs until midnight local time on Sunday. Points are awarded based on the distance of each QSO, and operating from several locations during the contest period is not only allowed, it's encouraged. According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, most participants use SSB, although some choose to operate using CW. "Power levels are relatively low compared to HF," he explained. "Most stations only run several hundred milliwatts, and a station running just a few watts is considered a 'big gun.' Antennas are usually dishes, such as those used for receiving satellite TV." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/explore-the-upper-reaches-of-the-amateur-radio-spectrum-in-the-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>.

==> + ON THE AIR: RAC ANNOUNCES NEW ONTARIO SECTION BOUNDARIES, ABBREVIATIONS

In March 2012, the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) announced that it would split its Ontario Section into four new Sections "to create a management model that better communicates with, and represents the interests of, the overall Ontario amateur population." The new Section boundaries go into effect as of September 1, 2012. On August 8, RAC Chief Field Services Officer Doug Mercer, VO1DTM/VO1DM, announced the new Section boundaries, names and abbreviations. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/rac-announces-new-ontario-section-boundaries-abbreviations>.

==> + FCC NEWS: VANITY CALL SIGN FEE TO INCREASE SEPTEMBER 4

On August 3, the FCC announced via a Final Rule in the Federal Register that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from to $14.20 to $15. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 4, 2012, the first day the new fee is in effect. Earlier this year, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order, seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs. The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new 10 year term. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/vanity-call-sign-fee-to-increase-september-4>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC DENIES CALIFORNIA HAM'S PETITION REGARDING VANITY CALL SIGN

Two years after Marvin Gin, W6VM, passed away on January 13, 2010, his call sign became available in the FCC's vanity call sign system and eligible for reassignment to those radio amateurs who hold an Amateur Extra class license. According to the FCC <http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2012/db0808/DA-12-1281A1.pdf>,
Mario Vesnaver, W6EX, of Laguna Niguel, California, Steven Greathouse, AC6EA, of Akron, Ohio, and others "filed timely applications requesting modification of [their] amateur licenses to reflect call sign W6VM." Greathouse's application was randomly selected and granted on February 4, 2012.

According to paragraph 32 in a 2006 Report and Order (WT Docket 04-140 <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=6518531249>), whenever the FCC receives an application from more than one amateur on the same day requesting a vanity call sign, the FCC uses a lottery mechanism to select the first application to be processed. Via this method, Greathouse's application was the first one selected and he received W6VM.

Vesnaver filed a Petition for Reconsideration with the FCC, requesting that the Commission review its decision regarding its assignment of W6VM. "When an amateur is initially licensed, the Commission assigns the station the next available call sign based on the licensee's geographic region and license class [as affirmed in WT Docket 09-209 <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7021755180>]" the FCC stated in denying Vesnaver's Petition. "You argue that Mr Greathouse's application should not have been granted because, at the time he requested call sign W6VM, he lived in Ohio, which is in the sequential call sign system's 8th call sign district."

The FCC stated that when it adopted the rules for the vanity call sign system, it addressed whether a vanity call sign applicant should be limited to requesting only those call signs for the region where the licensee resides. The FCC chose not adopt such a restriction, noting in PR Docket 93-305 <http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-94-343A1.pdf> that "'the applicant's choice of vanity call signs would be reduced to ten percent or less of the call signs that would otherwise be assignable to the station. A limitation based upon the person's place of residence, moreover, could easily be circumvented by using a mailing address in another call sign region.' Other than a call sign in Alaska, Hawaii, the Caribbean Insular Areas and the Pacific Insular areas, the licensee of an amateur station with a mailing address in the United States may apply for any available call sign corresponding to an appropriate license class."

Based upon its procedures, the FCC concluded that its assignment of W6VM was "proper" and denied Vesnaver's Petition.

==> + NCVEC HOLDS 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

Larry Pollock, NB5X, Chairman of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators, presided over the NCVEC's 27th annual meeting, held via teleconference on July 20. The meeting offered an opportunity for representatives of the VECs to discuss issues facing the volunteer examination program and interact with FCC staff members. Representatives from 13 of the nation's 14 VECs took part in the teleconference. ARRL VEC Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM, and ARRL VEC Assistant Manager Perry Green, WY1O, represented the ARRL VEC. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ncvec-holds-2012-annual-meeting>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Sunrise, sunset <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nLLEBAQLZ3Q>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers rose more than 20 points this week -- or about 20 percent -- to 119.4, while the average daily solar flux was up 3 points to 134.7. Geomagnetic activity was quiet, with unsettled conditions around August 2. The NOAA/USAF prediction has solar flux at 130 on August 9-10, 125 on August 11-13, then 115, 110, 105, 90 and 95 on August 14-18, back up to 100 on August 19-20, then 110, 115, 120, 125, 130, 135, 140 and 145 on August 21-28, then 140 on August 29-31. The predicted planetary A index is 10 on August 9, 5 on August 10-18, 8 on August 19-20, and 5 on August 21-23, and 8 on August 24-25, and 12 on August 26. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, August 10. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Sunrise, Sunset from Fiddler on the Roof <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fiddler_on_the_Roof>.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- How often do you use EchoLink or IRLP?
- What is your favorite HF band?
- How many Amateur Radio books do you own?
- Do you prefer to send paper QSLs to your DX contacts directly or via the QSL Bureau system?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the November 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- August 10 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 11-12 -- Maryland-DC QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (CW)
- August 12 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; Feld Hell Sprint
- August 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- August 17 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- August 18-19 -- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest (local time)
<http://www.arrl.org/10-ghz-up>; SARTG Worldwide RTTY Contest; North
American QSO Party (SSB)
- August 19 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (RTTY)
<http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>
- August 20 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- August 22 -- SKCC Sprint
- August 22-23 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- August 11 -- ARRL Ohio State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/ohio-state-convention>, Columbus, Ohio
- August 18 -- ARRL West Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-virginia-state-convention-2>,
Weston, West Virginia
- August 18-19 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-huntsville-ham
fest>,
Huntsville, Alabama
- August 19 -- ARRL Kansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/kansas-state-convention-2>, Salina,
Kansas
- August 24-26 -- ARRL New England Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-england-division-convention-1>,
Boxboro, Massachusetts
- August 26 -- ARRL Western Pennsylvania Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/western-pennsylvania-section-convention-2>,
New Kensington, Pennsylvania
- September 14-15 -- W9DXCC Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/w9dxcc-convention-2>, Elk Grove Village,
Illinois
- September 15 -- ARRL Virginia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-section-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,

Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 22 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-36th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- September 22-23 -- ARRL Illinois State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/illinois-state-convention-peoria-superfest-2012
>,
Peoria, Illinois
- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,
Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show%27>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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1469. eHam.net News for Thursday 9 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-09 22:35:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc0f8d1920404c6dcd8ee@google.com>
Source record: 2386
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:22 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28779

This Week in Radiosport:

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Perseids Should be Fun for Meteor Scatter Enthusiasts and Viewers Alike:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:21 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28778

On the night of Saturday, August 11 and well into the next day, Earth
will make its annual passage through the bulk of the debris shed by a
comet known as Swift-Tuttle.
Much of the debris is
composed of dust-sized grains, but when these fragments come plunging
into our atmosphere they can create a dazzling meteor display. Not only
are the meteors fascinating to watch, they also leave short-lived
streams of ionized gas in their wake. As hams have known for years,
these meteor trails are excellent reflectors of radio waves.

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Mars Rover Curiosity Successfully Lands on Red Planet:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:19 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28777

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) confirmed that the rover Curiosity,
after a 36 week space flight, landed successfully on Mars at 10:32 PM
PDT on August 5 (0532 UTC August 6). Built by JPL and launched on
November 26, 2011, the 2000 pound machine features something on its
wheels that radio amateurs are sure to appreciate: Morse code.

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ITU Assigns New Prefix for NIUE: E6A-E6Z:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:20 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28776

On August 3, the ITU updated its Table of International Call Sign
Series to
reflect a call sign change for Niue. The island will now have the

entire E6 prefix block. Niue -- an island located approximately 1700 miles northeast of New Zealand -- is a self-governing island nation that has been in free association with New Zealand since 1974.

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Explore the Upper Reaches in the ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:17 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28775

If you enjoy the technical side of Amateur Radio and being on the cutting edge, you might want to take a look at the microwave bands. The weekends of August 18-19 and September 15-16 give you a perfect chance to explore this portion of the radio spectrum with the 2012 ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest. The contest period for both weekends starts at 6 AM local time on Saturday and runs until midnight local time on Sunday.

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RAC Announces New Ontario Section Boundaries, Abbreviations:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:20 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28774

In March 2012, the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) announced that it would split its Ontario Section into four new Sections "to create a management model that better communicates with, and represents the interests of, the overall Ontario amateur population." The new Section boundaries go into effect as of September 1, 2012.

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Vanity Call Sign Fee to Increase September 4:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:21 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28773

On August 3, the FCC announced via a Final Rule in the Federal Register that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from to $14.20 to $15. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 4, 2012, the first day the new fee is in effect.

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FCC Denies California Ham's Petition Regarding Vanity Call Sign:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:19 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28772

Two years after Marvin Gin, W6VM, passed away on January 13, 2010, his call sign became available in the FCC's vanity call sign system and eligible for reassignment to those radio amateurs who hold an Amateur Extra class license.

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NCVEC Holds 2012 Annual Meeting:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:19 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28771

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Volunteer Examiner Coordinators, presided over the NCVEC's 27th annual
meeting, held via teleconference on July 20. The meeting offered an
opportunity for representatives of the VECs to discuss issues facing
the volunteer examination program and interact with FCC staff members.

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:18 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28770

New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-32:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:15 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28769

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave
Propagation Forecast #2012-32 has been published at 0000 UTC on Friday
August
10, 2012, valid 0000 UTC Saturday August 11, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday
August
17, 2012.

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Press Release: HRD Software Updates the 5.24 Release:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:16 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28768

HRD Software announces an updated release of Ham Radio Deluxe 5.24.36 at
www.ham-radio-deluxe.com . This update includes fixes for cross band
contacts in Logbook and some PTT issues hams have run into with DM780.

1470. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 9 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-10 02:36:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bf7e205799704c6e03462@google.com>
Source record: 2387
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio club to celebrate John Clem Day - The Newark Advocate

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 04:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHdpCBbBQB2krioXIFw-YnHzGk6YQ&url=http://www.newarkadvocate.com/article/20120809/NEWS01/208090369

Ham radio club to celebrate John Clem Day
The Newark Advocate
News Local News. NEWARK -- On Saturday, Licking Countys COOKEN amateur ham radio club will celebrate John Clem Day at the Licking County Historical Society, Webb House, 303 Granville St., Newark. John Clem, a Newark native, was the youngest ...

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Radio Hams fight cell-phone mast - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 11:08 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH2aoaYTxlA4-3ktILer0WliKIwuQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/radio_hams_fight_cell_phone_mast.htm

Radio Hams fight cell-phone mast
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur radio operators in the area are a vital part in helping get information out on severe weather, he said. Former West Point police chief David Kerr WB4COP, also a ham radio operator, said that the services amateur radio operators provide is vital ...

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InnovAntennas appointed exclusive distributor for Advanced Contest Solutions - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 12:32 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEkKT3Uu2q0bSZLcft4GhAaGU5MoQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/advanced_contest_solutions.htm

InnovAntennas appointed exclusive distributor for Advanced Contest Solutions
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Sky Sat Communications, founded by internationally renown amateur radio contester Ranko Boca, 4O3A, today announced the appointment of InnovAntennas as exclusive distributor of its Advanced Contest Solutions line of ultra high performance Filters ...

1471. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-046E - 2012 RAC AGM =96 Montreal Sept 22nd

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-10 04:48:23 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5024920C.7070509@rac.ca>
Source record: 2388
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

<https://www.rac.ca/en/news/bulletins/2012/46/>RAC Bulletin 2012-046E
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RAC 2012 AGM

The Radio Amateurs of Canada is pleased to hold its Annual General
Meeting (AGM) in Montreal, Quebec. It will be hosted by the Montreal
Amateur Radio Club (VE2ARC) which is celebrating its 80th anniversary
this year.

The AGM event will be held in conjunction with the second annual Radio
Talk conference which is being held at the same location. All RAC
members are encouraged to attend the Annual General Meeting.

>Date: Saturday, September 22, 2012 16:00

See the following link for details
http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/agm/2012_AGM_RAC_e.pdf.

AGA de RAC 2012

Radio Amateurs du Canada est heureux de tenir son Assembl e g n ral
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annuelle (AGM) Montr al, au Qu bec. Le Montreal Amateur Radio Clu
b
(VE2ARC), qui c l bre son 80e anniversaire cette ann e, se charge d
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l accueil.

L AGM aura lieu en m me temps et au m me endroit que la deuxi me
conf rence annuelle Radio Talk. Tous les membres de RAC sont
chaleureusement invit s participer l Assembl e g n rale
annuelle.

Date : Samedi 22 septembre 2012 16:00

Voir le lien suivant pour plus de d tails (inclut version fran aise):

http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/agm/2012_AGM_RAC_e.pdf.

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1472. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1826 - August 10 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-10 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120810090003.8359F33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2389
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1826 - August 10 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1826 with a release date of August 10 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Curiosity is now on Mars and there may be a way to hear its signal; hams respond to a massive power outage in India; B-P-L is once again a problem in the UK and guess who is thinking of running for Congress. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1826 coming your way right now.

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ULTIMATE DX: LISTENING FOR THE MARS RECONNAISSANCE ORBITER AND LANDER

Want to try your hand at some truly out of this world DX listening? With the successful lading of NASA's rover Curiosity on Mars, some hams are thinking of trying to catch signals from the new rover directly or those from the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter circling the Red Planet. Is it possible? Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW takes a look at the communications aspect of the mission:

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Thanks to some research by the Southgate News, it turns out the Curiosity rover transmits on frequencies around 401 MHz but the transponder on the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter or MRO has a CCSDS Forward Frequency in the 437 MHz Amateur Satellite Service band. This is because 435 to 438 MHz is shared with the Military and 432 to 438 MHz is also a Space Surveillance Radio Band. In fact, general space usage extends beyond that.

So how does it all work? Well the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter has a UHF transponder known as MELACOM that operates between 401 to 437 MHz. It also has a pair of patch antennas to communicate with any landed asset on Mars surface supporting the CCSDS Proximity-1 protocol. And with it all working the way it has throughout this mission, signals from the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter are being received back on Earth.

While NASAs Deep Space Network has no problem in hearing the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter, the question might be if a ham radio station with its simple equipment might be able to do the same. If you want to give it a try there are two papers from NASA that might be of assistance.

The first describes the operation of the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter. It can be found at tinyurl.com/mro-operations. The other is titled Mars Express and the NASA landers and rovers on Mars - Sustaining a backup relay in an interplanetary network. Its URL is tinyurl.com/space-communications. Both of these documents are in Adobe .PDF format.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I,m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Oh, if you are successful in hearing either the lander or the orbiter please be sure to record any audio you hear along with the story of how you accomplished it. We will be happy to share it with our listeners, world wide. (Southgate, ARNewsline)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS RESPOND TO MASSIVE INDIA POWER FAILURE

Back here on planet Earth, ham radio was called out after the world's worst blackout in recent times cut power to 700 million people in India on July 31st.

Jayu Bhide VU2JAU is the National Coordinator for Disaster Communication in India. He reports that the North-East grid failed due to a fault in the plant and 20 states were affected by the power failure.

VA2JAU said that hams in and around the affected areas provided emergency communications during the outage. He noted that all voice repeaters in the areas hit by the blackout remained in operation despite the heavy duty back-up power that was required.

Up to 20 of India's 28 states were plunged into darkness as suppliers failed to meet the growing demand caused by heavy demands. The blackout halted hundreds of trains, took out traffic lights were out and caused surgical procedures to be cancelled. Several miners were trapped underground when their elevators failed. The blackout raised concern about India's infrastructure. (VK3PC, VU2JAU)

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RESCUE RADIO: GAREC 2012 PUTS OUT CALL FOR PAPERS

Delegates representing their amateur radio emergency communications services, national societies or clubs are being invited to submit proposals information papers and reports. This for the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference or GAREC which will be held November, 12 to 14th in Port Dickson, Malaysia.

Of primary interest will be information regarding the activities of any given group in regard to any emergency or disaster relief operations that it may have actively participated in from September of 2011

onwards.

The closing deadline of submission to the GAREC Secretariat is this coming September 31st. Documents should be submitted electronically in Microsoft Word format to secretariat (at) mygarec2012 (dot) com. (IARU)

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RADIO RECOGNITION: UNESCO RECOGNIZES IRESC WITH SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE STATUS

A major coup for a relatively new ham radio emergency communications radio group. This as the United Nations Economic and Social Council known by the acronym UNESCO adopts the recommendation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to grant Special Consultative Status to the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition. A group better known by its initials of IRESC.

For those who may have never heard of it, the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition bills itself as a global coalition of volunteer communicators, with dedicated members spread around the world providing assistance to those in need at all times of day or night. The main objectives of IRESC are to foster efficient collaboration between radio amateurs, extending friendships across the world and providing international emergency communication in times of need when all else fail.

Currently, IRESC has members in at least 40 countries. Most are also affiliated with national organizations such as the International Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the United Kingdom's RAYNET, the Israel's Magen David Adom, local amateur radio clubs, and many other groups the world over.

The decision to grant the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition this status was made at the recently concluded UNESCO session held in July. More about this important milestone for the IRESC can be found on-line at www.irescintl.com. (9Z4FX)

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THE BPL WAR: RSGB CONCERNED OVER PUSH TO LEGITIMIZE PLT

Broadband over Powerline called PLT in Europe is once again raising its noise generating head and that's of special concern to ham radio operators in the UK.

Now, the Radio Society of Great Britain has issued a statement expressing grave concern at what it calls the continuing headlong rush to legitimize high levels of emission from various Broadband over Powerline devices. This, in direct contravention of the Essential Requirements of the nations EMC Directive.

You can read the full statement on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org. Simply click on Update on Draft PLT Standard. (RSGB)

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RADIO POLITICS: RAC ANNOUNCES NEW STRUCTURE FOR ONTARIO

Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced that as of September 1st that its current Ontario Section will be replaced by four new Sections. These are Ontario North, Ontario East, Ontario South, and the Greater Toronto Area. A map depicting the new section boundries is available for viewing at tinyurl.com/ontario-new.

Meantime, word that the American Radio Relay League has already recognized the four new sections and they will be effective for the ARRL November Sweepstakes contest.

Radio Amateurs of Canada adds that several vendors of logging and contest software have also announced changes to coincide with the new make-up of the Ontario sections. Unfortunately, some of these will not available or effective until January of 2013. (RAC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: EUROPE YOUTH ON THE AIR AUGUST 19 To 26

Two European national amateur radio societies are teaming up to give young people a chance to find out what ham radio is all about first hand. Called Youngsters on the Air from Belgium and the Netherlands 2012, many young radio amateurs from nine different European countries will be participating in contesting, direction finding competitions, a Field Day like operation and much more.

Youngsters on the Air will be held the week of August 19th to the 26th at a location in Belgium adjacent to the Dutch border. The sponsors are Belgium's U-B-A Youth Commission and the Dutch national amateur radio socirty society VERON. For more information please contact Tommy Degrande, ON3TD, by e-mail to tommy (at) uba (dot) be or Lisa Leenders, PA2LS, to pa2ls (at) veron (dot) nl (ON5CFG)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: CY9M ST. PAUL OPERATION SHUTS DOWN EARLY

The long anticipated CY9M St. Paul Island DXpedition was forced to go QRT earlier then expected at the request of their transport ships skipper due to a forecast of poor weather conditions. As a result they departed from St. Paul at about 1900 UTC on July 31st.

The good news is that in the short four and a half days of operating, the team made over 33,000 QSO's. All contacts will be verified electronically via Logbook of the World once the operators return home.

Those in need of paper cards should QSL to Tim Beaumont, M0URX. Meantime their logs are now available for viewing on ClubLog, and we will have more DX related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (OPDX)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W0BZN repeater serving Newton, Kansas.

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RADIO TECHNOLOGY: NXDN DIGITAL AUDIO SPEC TO BE MADE PUBLIC

Another Digital protocol will soon be available. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, has more:

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The Southgate news reports that the technical specification for NXDN which is an FDMA digital voice technology supported by Icom and Kenwood, is being opened to the public domain. According to a press release the chair of the NXDN Forum has announced that the Forum Steering Committee has decided to open the NXDN technical standards to the telecommunications industry.

For the past 5 years both ICOM and Kenwood have been producing VHF/UHF mobiles, handhelds and repeaters to the NXDN standard. The equipment has a transmitted bandwidth of 4.0 kHz and is typically used in 6.25 kHz channel spacing systems. NXDN Digital products are deployed throughout the world in hundreds of thousands of professional radio applications.

The specification is currently available in response to an e-mail request but the NXDN Forum indicates it will be available for direct download later in the year. Interested companies can obtain the information for the NXDN technical standards by following the instructions on the forum web site at www.nxdn-forum.com/instructions

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD

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The NXDN Forum says that it will continue to accept new members after opening the technical specifications and will govern the NXDN specification and related interoperability testing and certification. (Southgate)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $11000 TOWER VIOLATION FINE

The FCC says Ely Radio, licensee of KWNA - AM of Winnemucca, Nevada must pay an $11,000 fine for various tower violations. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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The case began in 2008 when the San Francisco office of the Enforcement Bureau originally fined Ely Radio $13,000 because its red obstruction lights were out and the licensee had not notified the Federal Aviation Administration of the outage. The commission also found that Ely had apparently and repeatedly failed to notify the FCC about a change in ownership information for the tower.

In its appeal, Ely denied owning the tower and said it wasn't responsible for the structure's upkeep. As a result, the FCC sent a Letter of Inquiry to KWNA's former owner, Sheen Broadcasting Company. In its reply Sheen confirmed it's no longer a commission licensee. Sheen told the commission the company sold all of the equipment used to operate the station, including the tower, to Ely in 2006.

In its appeal, Ely urged the FCC to reverse its decision, arguing that it's really a tenant, not an owner. It is said was because it leases the station building and land from Sheen. But the commission did not find that argument credible, saying in its decision that at best, it appears that Ely and Sheen may have a continuing disagreement about how each of them interprets their sale agreement. That said the FCC says that it has determined that Ely is indeed the tower owner and that it's the only licensee using the structure. It also claims that Ely's personnel actually improperly extinguished the tower lights that resulted in the fine.

Because of Ely's past history of good compliance with commission rules, the agency lowered the original fine by $2,000 bringing the amount to $11,000. But it says Ely Radio must pay the fine.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Ely Radio was given the customary 30 days to pay or to file a further appeal. (RW, FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: DIGITAL ATV PARTY AUGUST 24 - 25

The World QSO Digital Amateur Television Party takes place on Friday August 24th and Saturday the 25th. This years event will involve California and Arizona in the United States, plus Australia and the British Amateur Television Club website in the U-K.

Here in North America, Bob Minnick W8ARZ and Lee Weitzel K0CCU, both in Arizona, will use the resources of linked ATV repeaters. Also, K0CCU has Skype video of very high quality and tested through the VK3RTV Digital A-T-V repeater.

The first such QSO Party organized by Peter Cossins VK3BFG occurred during the Centenary celebrations of Amateur Radio Victoria last year. (VK3PC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NCDXF RECEIVES $4000 FUNDING BOOST

The Northern California DX Foundation is the recipient of a $4000 donation from the Northern California DX Club. This is said to be the largest donation ever received by the group from a club.

Of late more and more DX oriented clubs are making donations to the Northern California DX Foundation. The organization thoroughly analyzes the financial needs of planned DXpeditions and helps provide critical funding to operations high on the DX'ers Most Wanted List. Its been said that without support many DXpeditions would not be possible. (OPDX)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: FLORIDA RADIO CLUB SEEKS TO EXPAND MUSEUM EXHIBIT

The Florida-based West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group Inc. has announced the start of what it calls an ambitious project to expand the WS4FSM exhibit at the South Florida Science Museum. This is an exhibit that it calls "Lasting Moments of First Excitement."

According to the group, the exhinit combines technology available over the Internet with the world wide communications offered by Amateur Radio. This, to lead to a new generation of creativity and scientific advancement.

To help raise funding for the expansion the group has launched a project on KickStarter to take its story to the world. You can more about it on-line at tinyurl.com/palm-beach-kickstarter.

The West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group bills itself as the largest amateur radio club in Palm Beach County with a history that dates back to the 1930's. More about the group is on the World Wide Web at www.wpbarc.com (AJ4XM)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: YU1YU ELECTED PRIME MINISTER OF SEREBIA

Some names in the news. Former Serbian Internal Affairs Minister Ivica Dacic, YU1YU, was elected as that country's newest Prime Minister on July 27.

Dacic is the leader of the Socialist Party of Serbia. From 2008 until his election as Prime Minister he served as First Deputy Prime Minister, as well as Minister of Internal Affairs. In March 2012, Serbia became a candidate for membership in the European Union.

In the world of amateur radio Dacic is a member of the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia which is Serbia's IARU Member Society. He is said to be a member of his local club known by its call letters as YU1AAV.

Dacic succeeds Mirko Cvetkovic who served as Serbia's Prime Minister from 2008 to 2012. (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WB4NWS REPLACES KG4IUM AS ARRL SOUTHEASTERN VICE DIRECTOR

ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has appointed James Millsap, WB4NWS, of Acworth, Georgia appointed to the position of ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director, effective August 1st. This after former Vice Director Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, resigned because she has accepted a job outside of the Division.

In a message sent to members of the Southeastern Division, KG4IUM stated that while she is incredibly excited about her new career and her future, it has not come without cost. That because her move is to be outside of the division, that she is no longer eligible to serve as Vice Director.

Hartlages replacement, Jim Millsap began his ham radio career at age 12, operating 6 meter AM from Atlanta. Over the years he has served as Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Cherokee County Amateur Radio Emergency Service since 2002, was appointed ARRL Emergency Coordinator in 2010, and has been the District Emergency Coordinator for Metro Atlanta District since 2011. He was selected Georgia's "Ham Operator of The Year" in 2010 for his volunteer work in Georgia ARES. Millsap's appointment runs until noon January 1, 2014.

And for those of you who many not remember, Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, was the 2004 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3LC APPOINTED TO CITIG 700

Norm Rashleigh VE3LC, has been appointed by Radio amateur of Canada to serve on the Canadian Interoperability Technology Interest Group or C-I-T-I-G 700 Mhz definition working group. This group will help to define the network architecture and technical interoperability requirements for a Nation wide broadband mobile data network operating in the 700 Mhz band. VE3LC is currently on the RAC Radio Advisory Board of Canada and has just completed a term as Vice President Industrial Liaison. (VO1DTM/VO1DM)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ECUADOR TO LAUNCH AN EDUCATIONAL CUBESAT LOADED WITH FIRSTS

An upcoming launch of 17 amateur radio satellites will also carry one with several firsts to orbit. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, reports:

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Among the birds to be lofted this November will be an innovative educational satellite built in Ecuador and known as NEE-01 Pegasus. This tiny 1 Unit CubeSat has a large fold-out solar array and carries a 902 MHz, 720 line Progressive Scan High Definition camera and associated TV transmitter. The latter will send video of the Earth to school students in Ecuador.

The NEE-01 Pegasus engineering team was led by Commander Ronnie Nader who was Ecuador's first astronaut. The satellite was featured in the July 15 edition of Ecuador's El Murcurio newspaper. That article in electronically translated English is on-line at tinyurl.com/Ecuador-in-Space

Im Dom Wilbanks, AE5DW.

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Cubesats are tiny satellites that are economical to both build and carry to orbit making them attractive to institutions of learning as well as to the ham radio community. (ANS)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW PORTUGAL REPEATER LIST AVAILABLE

A newly updated list of Portuguese analogue and digital repeaters dated July 30th is available for download. The listings are displayed in the Portugese language at tinyurl.com/brhdbld courtesy of Joao Costa, CT1FBF. (CT1FBF)

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WORLDBEAT: UK NATIONAL RADIO CENTRE OPENS

The United Kingdom's National Radio Centre is now officially open This after Mr. Ed Vaizey, who is the Minister for Culture, Communications and the Creative Industries officially opened the National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park in Milton Keynes.

After a tour of the new building and unveiling a plaque in the entrance, Mr Vaizey stated that the Centre will do an enormous amount to spread the knowledge about the history of radio and its continuing importance in the 21st century.

The National Radio Centre is open Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 11.00 to 16:30 local UK time. More details, and photographs of the event, can be found on-line at www.nationalradiocentre.com (GB2RS)

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RADIO HISTORY: MARCONI CHELMSFORD SITE TO BE RE-DEVELOPED

The BBC reports that the Marconi New Street factory in the United Kingdom city of Chelmsford is to be redeveloped after being left derelict for several years.

Marconi New Street was the world's first purpose designed and built wireless factory. It was opened in June 1912 by radio pioneer Guillermo Marconi and where he carried out his research work and built a large electronics and telecommunications business. It also provided housing for many of those who were employed by Marconi.

According the BBC that business dissolved in 2006 and the building has stood empty since 2008. The new owners says that it wants to build homes, offices, shops and community facilities at the site, which covers about 10 acres near Chelmsford city center but also retain and refurbish the main 1912 Marconi building for office space.

You can read the entire story on-line at Read the BBC story at tinyurl.com/marconi-factory. (WIA News)

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In DX, the International Telecommunications Union has updated its Table of International Call Sign to reflect a call sign change for the island of Niue which will now have the entire E6 prefix block. Prior to the change the island used ZK2 callsign prefix.

On the air, word that a team of European operators will be active as D64K from the Comoros Islands through August 20th. Their license covers from 160 to 6 meters, so they hope to be active on all bands and modes and were even considering the possibility of working on 60 and 6 meters. They will have four stations on the air using Elecraft transceivers, amplifiers and at least two Spiderbeams and several vertical antennas. The QSL Manager for this operation is IV3DSH.

DJ7RJ will once again be active stroke FR from Reunion Island as between September 26th and October 21st. His operation will be on 160 through 10 meters using, CW and SSB, and he will pay special attention to the low bands for United States and Japan. QSL direct to his home callsign.

DG5LAC will be active stroke P from Amrum Island between August 11th and the 24th. His operation will be holiday style on 80 through 10 meters SSB. Log will be uploaded to Logbook of the World and eQSL when he returns home. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

A team of Saudi operators will activate Al-Dhahrah Island as 7Z7AB between October 5th to the 11th. More details and a Web page will be forthcoming. Meantime you can see their logo on QRZ.com.

Lastly, listen out for an all Y L DXpedition to be active as GB2YLS from Fair Isle between August 16th to the 22nd. Their activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. They also plan to be operational as an entry in the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend scheduled for August 18th and 19th from the Fair Isle South Lighthouse. QSL via MM5YLO, either direct or via the bureau.

Above from various DX news sources

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THAT FINAL ITEM: JOE WALSH WB6ACU SAYS HE IS THINKING ABOUT RUNNING FOR CONGRESS

And finally this week, famed rock guitarist Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, has joked about running for political office since way back in 1980. That's when he ran a tongue in cheek campaign for the presidency. Now it appears as if Joe has decided to take politics more seriously, and according to a new radio interview, he could run for Congress. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

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In a recent discussion aired over WASH-FM in Washington DC, famed rock guitarist Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, said, and we quote: "I think I would run seriously, and I think I would run for Congress."

Walsh went on to tell WASH that: "The root of the problem is that Congress is so dysfunctional. We're dead in the water until Congress gets to work and passes some new legislation to change things."

Walsh believes he could represent the concerns of real people better than politicians who live in a different world to the rest of the country. He said that he thinks that if you pay attention to Congress and vote for people from where we're all from, and if we can elect people who are not politicians that are from where we're from, that he thinks we can get something done.

Walsh added - and again we quote: "So I might run for Congress and see if I can stir up the hornets."

Meanwhile, WB6ACU is touring his new solo album "Analog Man" at intimate venues nationwide. And of coarse you can always hear his playing the opening theme at the beginning of each episode of Ham Nation on TWiT.tv.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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For those interested in hearing all of what WB6ACU has to say, take your web browser to ultimateclassicrock.com/joe-walsh-to-run-for-congress. Then scroll down until you see the window containing the actual interview and click the arrow key to make it play.

(ultimateclassicrock.com)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, Twit-TV, and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

Before we go this note to those of you who still receive these newscasts over our 661-296-2407 dial in telephone line rater than downloading the MP3 file from our website. Of late we have noticed a major decline in the number of those calling into it and as such we are giving consideration to discontinuing it by years end. But before we do, we want to know how many people are actually using 661-296-2407. If you are one of those who call in each week on the phone, please send us a note telling us who you are and the reason you are using telephone access rather than simply downloading the newscast from the Internet.

As we just said, our address is the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita, California, 91350. Or you can e-mail us at newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. We look forward to hearing from you.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1473. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 10 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-10 11:05:09 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303344bfc6888d04c6e7504c@google.com>
Source record: 2390
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT-UK Colloquium - visit to SSTL Kepler Building

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TZFn7FSxYqU/visit_to_sstl_kepler_buildi
ng.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium, taking place September 15-16
in Guildford, will provide an opportunity to visit the satellite facilities
in the new Surrey Satellite Technology Limited (SSTL) Kepler Building

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cMqtLacCKJw/propagation_forecast_32.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-32 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday August 10, 2012

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu
rner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Much Wenlock Olympian Celebration Special Event Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Lot_EvdglpE/much_wenlock_olympian_celeb
ration_special_event_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A reminder that Telford and District Amateur Radio Society will be setting
up the station from 5pm on Friday 10th and will be operational from early
Saturday until Sunday 12th August 2012 using the call sign GB0WPB (William
Penny Brookes)

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Limerick Radio Club to activate Loop Head Lighthouse

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s_ZF4NDrc1Y/limerick_radio_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team of over 15 operators from Limerick Radio Club will activate Loop Head Lighthouse, in Co. Clare, Ireland, for ILLW weekend on 18 and 19 August 2012

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International Toolbar for the Amateur Radio Community

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VKeO28ubTD8/International_toolbar_for_the_amateur_radio_community.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This month celebrates the 5th year of the advent of HamInfoBar, a concept developed because of my interest and involvement in the hobby..

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ZL3PN on Radio New Zealand (and Mars)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/da47D41tfV4/zl3pn_on_radio_new_zealand_and_mars.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

George Boorer ZL3PN has been interviewed on Radio New Zealand because his name and amateur radio callsign is encoded on a chip aboard the Mars Rover Curiosity

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ik9Mapdcow4/august_09.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A poor to 'iffy' week with a massive increase in activity at the weekend, so much so that I had to increase to 5 stations worked to get in the lists. Fairly consistently the radio world, 'waits for the weekend'

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ILLW reaches 400

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1ys4V46uDw4/illw_reaches_400.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A Danish lighthouse has just become the 400th registration for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on August 18 and 19

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Foundation Net now on Echolink

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZWLzy3JBF7c/foundation_net_now_on_echolink.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Onno VK6FLAB writing on the WIA News reports on a net for Foundation
license holders (F-Troop) that can be accessed world-wide on Echolink

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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ZL2KO Table Sale

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7GxD8DspAwI/zl2ko_table_sale.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Time to empty out your shed or shack and sell your unwanted equipment

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RAC 2012 AGM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nhC5oiQkCJI/rac_2012_agm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Amateurs of Canada is pleased to hold its Annual General Meeting
(AGM) in Montreal, Quebec. It will be hosted by the Montreal Amateur Radio
Club (VE2ARC) which is celebrating its 80th anniversary this year

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Southampton University Wireless Society

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jX7xh00Jndk/southampton_university_wireless_society.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A number of Universities have active amateur radio societies, one such is
the Southampton University Wireless Society SUWS

1474. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 10 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-10 16:14:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3040e37080ed4f04c6eba306@google.com>
Source record: 2391
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VI5CW Kangaroo Island

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 11:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357176-VI5CW-Kangaroo-Island&goto=newpost

VK3VCE , VK5KC , VK5LOL , VK5PAS , VK5SN , VK5VW , VK5YX will be active
from Kangaroo Island (IOTA OC-139) 17-20 August 2012 as VI5CW

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ngaroo-island/

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Golden Gate Bridge 75th Anniversary Special Event Video

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357147-Golden-Gate-Bridge-75th-Anniversary-Special-Event-Video&goto=newpost

N6G, Special Event station for the 75th Anniversary of the opening of the
Golden Gate Bridge. Thanks to everyone who made contact with N6G for this
very special occasion. Here is a little video we produced.

http://youtu.be/60gWOJ0T5Xo

73, Will, AE6YB

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Amateur Rocketry & Ham Radio Presentation, Sept. 4th

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 11:30 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357106-Amateur-Rocketry-amp-Ham-Radio-Presentation-Sept-4th&goto=newpost

Rocket 1.jpg

Attention all budding astronauts and ham radio enthusiasts! Please join us
for the Central Toronto (CenTor) Amateur Radio Club monthly meeting on
September 4th to learn all about exciting world of Amateur Rocketry.
Clayton Wozney, will provide an overview of Amateur Rocketry, including
some live display units that he's built. In addition, he will show how ham
radio has been playing an important role in this fascinating hobby.

To RSVP, visit: https://www.facebook.com/events/372897729446028/

Cheers!

Don

VA3XFT

Attached Images

Rocket 1.jpg
(54.5 KB)

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1st time in its 95 year history Lorain Harbor Light, US0143, will be On The Air!

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 06:41 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357073-1st-time-in-its-95-year-history-Lorain-Harbor-Light-US0143-will-be-On-The-Air!&goto=newpost

Press Release

For Immediate Release, 5 August 2012

Lorain County Wireless Operators

Will Operate From The

Lorain Harbor Light, US0143

LORAIN COUNTY OHIO ☐ The LCWO is pleased to announce its first group project. LCWO, in conjunction with the Lorain Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. will operate NW8S from the Lorain Harbor Light, US0143, in support of the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend, 18 & 19 August 2012.

The goal of the event is to ☐Promote public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for preservation and restoration, and at the same time to promote amateur radio and to foster International goodwill. Lighthouses are fast becoming an endangered species with the introduction of Global Positioning Systems and Satellite Navigation and the automation of the light source to solar power which has resulted in the withdrawal of management personnel (Keepers). It is hoped that this event will highlight this situation and help prevent further desecration of these magnificent structures all around the world.☐ (Source: ILLW)

This will mark the first time an amateur radio station has operated from the lighthouse and the first time in decades that the lighthouse will be occupied overnight. There are three light structures in Lorain Harbor. From east to west; Lorain East Detached Breakwater Light, Lorain Middle Breakwater Light & Lorain Harbor Light. The US Army Corps of Engineers completed the lighthouse in 1917 resting it in 30☐ of water in wooden cribs filled with sandstone then later encasing its base in concrete. The original focal plane, at 58☐, was a Forth Order Fresnel Lens which could be seen for approximately 15 miles out on Lake Erie. The USCG manned the lighthouse from 1939 thru 1965. In 1965 it was decommissioned and slated for demolition. After falling into years of disrepair & vandalism, and an

uncertain fate, a group of concerned citizens formed the Port of Lorain Foundation, Inc. saving the lighthouse from the wrecking ball. Currently restoration efforts are underway to return the lighthouse to her status as ☐Jewel of the Port☐

Please visit www.nw8s.com and www.lorainlighthouse.com for more information. Or contact Jeff Evans, KB8ZUN, at kb8zun@gmail.com .

1475. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 10 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-10 16:52:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e31d3ebaf04c6ec2a62@google.com>
Source record: 2392
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Army MARS expands HQ

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 09:53 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357169-Army-MARS-expands-HQ&goto=newpost

Fort Huachuca, AZ☐Army MARS headquarters operations will be expanded with recruiting of a fulltime senior MARS Program Officer, it was disclosed Friday (Aug. 10) by Stephen G. Klinefelter, Chief of the Army Military Auxiliary Radio Service.

The Program Officer position is the first fulltime staff expansion at MARS headquarters in at least a decade. ☐This is a significant change of affairs,☐ Klinefelter said. ☐We are going to strengthen processes and communications to meet our future challenges.☐

In another sign of the auxiliary☐s response to growing need for its services, the 10 volunteer Region Directors are being summoned to a three-day planning conference with headquarters staff at Dallas Sept. 11-13.

Defense Department spending on its three ham radio auxiliaries (Army, Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps) had been steadily cut back in recent years as more and more communications switched from HF to satellite and combat operations in the Middle East drained available funds. Army MARS formerly operated three area gateway stations in the continental U.S. all with fulltime administrators and military operators. Only one remains, here at Ft Huachuca, operated by civilian contract employees. The Chief☐s job had been fulltime until 2007.

Lately, however, MARS, with trained communicators distributed throughout the U.S., has been gaining increased attention as defense planners focused on the terrorist threat to conventional communications infrastructure.

The new MARS Program Officer will serve as a full-time aide to Klinefelter, who added the part-time Chief☐s responsibilities to his primary job as an operations officer at the Network Enterprise Technology Command (NETCOM) earlier this year. A retired colonel with 31 years in uniform, Klinefelter will retain the latter position in G-3 (Operations). NETCOM headquarters here oversees the army☐s computer and communications systems worldwide.

He said the new Civil Service position, which is being advertised on the official USAJOBS.GOV site today, will be filled as quickly as possible. A

search for candidates has been underway while final approval of the new position was pending.

The job calls for a civilian with recent senior-level Army and staff experience (civilian or military) plus applicable advanced degree and both General Commercial and Amateur Extra FCC radio licenses. The pay starts at $84,000 not including federal locality allowance.

Bill Sexton N1IN Army MARS HQ PAO

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1826 August 10 2012

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 09:52 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357168-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1826--August-10-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1826 ☐ August 10 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1826 with a release date of August 10 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

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ULTIMATE DX: LISTENING FOR THE MARS RECONNAISSANCE ORBITER AND LANDER

Want to try your hand at some truly out of this world DX listening? With the successful lading of NASA☐s rover Curiosity on Mars, some hams are thinking of trying to catch signals from the new rover directly or those from the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter circling the Red Planet. Is it possible? Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW takes a look at the communications aspect of the mission:

1476. eHam.net News for Friday 10 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-10 22:37:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec518687486686904c6f0fdb3@google.com>
Source record: 2393
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Club to Celebrate John Clem Day:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28784

NEWARK -- On Saturday, Licking County's COOKEN amateur ham radio club will celebrate John Clem Day at the Licking County Historical Society, Webb House, 303 Granville St., Newark. John Clem, a Newark native, was the youngest Army non-commissioned officer in the Civil War at age 12. He worked his way up to brigadier general and retired as a major general. The club will set up a portable ham radio station at the Webb House and will make contacts starting at 9 a.m. with stations all across the U.S. and around the world. For stations that are contacted, confirmation certificates will be available after the event. The operating frequency will be 7180 kilohertz.

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Your Cellphone Can't Do This: Ham Radio in the Digital Age:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28783

On a stifling late-June day, a tangle of wires snakes through the open door of the Buncombe County Firefighters' Training Center. Outside, the sun beats down and the roar of big generators fills the air; indoors, the atmosphere is even thicker, dense with a jarring concoction of radio static, Morse code and urgent voices. Formally known as the Amateur Radio Service, ham radio is at least 100 years old. By definition, hams are amateurs, barred from accepting payment for their services under federal law. "Ham" was originally a derogatory term applied to the tinkerers and experimenters who pioneered the hobby, but today's operators carry the moniker proudly, knowing their skill set is anything but amateur. Accompanying this sincere welcoming attitude, though, is the sense that relying on the hobby's primary demographic -- older men with disposable income -- just isn't sustainable, particularly in the shadow of Facebook, smartphones and what old-timers see as young folks' addiction to easy, frivolous communication. Some members even see themselves as the last practitioners of a dying art. That fear may be unfounded: Today's ubiquitous tech appears to be re-energizing the long-standing hobby. Pioneering operators have merged radio (an analog medium) with digital communication, and the Internet gives beginners a broad base of support. "Amateur radio is very much alive and well," says Bill Morine

(N2COP), North Carolina section manager for the Relay League. "An awful lot of young people are coming out and seeing the merger of technologies between computers and wireless applications."

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Commission Stops Cell Tower Placement with Lack of Vote:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28782

A proposal to put a cell phone tower on Vernon Ferry Road failed after about two months of residents sparring with company representatives over the placement of the tower. Residents in the immediate area of 313 Vernon Ferry Road, where a 105-foot cell phone tower was proposed to be placed for AT and T service, spoke out at against the tower at three public hearings, which they felt would be an eyesore. A group of ham radio operators also spoke up against the tower, which they said could interfere with vital operations. Steve Mobley, who lives near the proposed tower, said the cell phone signal could interfere with his ham radio operations. Mobley's system is linked into weather warning systems and the National Weather Service in Peachtree City and other systems as far as Tennessee, Florida and Savannah. Amateur radio operators in the area are a vital part in helping get information out on severe weather, he said. Former West Point police chief David Kerr, also a ham radio operator, said that the services amateur radio operators provide is vital to public safety. "They devote many many hours on education and practice exercises to step in when necessary," Kerr said. "They maintain individual equipment, and when linked together, assist not only locally, but regionally and statewide."

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ARNewsline Report 1825 -- Aug 10 2012:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28781

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Army MARS HQ Grows:

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 04:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28780

Fort Huachuca, AZ:Army MARS headquarters operations will be expanded with recruiting of a fulltime senior MARS Program Officer, it was disclosed Friday (Aug. 10) by Stephen G. Klinefelter, Chief of the Army Military

Auxiliary Radio Service.

1477. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 10 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 02:28:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410a597723704c6f4362a@google.com>
Source record: 2394
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio ham wins appeal for new mast - WalesOnline

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 01:15 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEdipvR80nZWHzlhrPicmOuS6CvOw&url=http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/south-wales-news/bridgend-maesteg/2012/08/09/radio-ham-wins-appeal-for-new-mast-91466-31579494/

Radio ham wins appeal for new mast
WalesOnline
AN amateur radio enthusiast in Cefn Cribwr – who accused the towns community council of racism – won an appeal to erect a fourth mast in his garden. Radio ham Michael Butler, of Green Meadow, sent a stinging letter to Cefn Cribwr Community Council ...

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Around Town 'Gershwin on Air' to premiere at Lions Lincoln Theatre - Massillon Independent

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 07:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFE3xOfICw-QdHMvP908S9QONQh7Q&url=http://www.indeonline.com/life/x442234467/Around-Town-Gershwin-on-Air-to-premiere-at-Lions-Lincoln-Theatre

Around Town Gershwin on Air to premiere at Lions Lincoln Theatre
Massillon Independent
The CANTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB invites all radio amateurs and interested persons of all ages to the following: a member and friend breakfast meeting today and every second Saturday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Nazir Grotto Building, 1717 Sixth St.

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ARNewsline Report 1825 -- Aug 10 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 12:33 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG_Du2q6ZJLrblRW-t4c5Gv3Plhrg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28781

ARNewsline Report 1825 -- Aug 10 2012:
eHam.net
Two European national amateur radio societies are teaming up to give young people a chance to find out what ham radio is all about first hand. Called Youngsters on the Air from Belgium and the Netherlands 2012, many young radio amateurs from nine ...

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West Ham snap up French midfield star - talkSPORT.co.uk

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 08:31 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEMk-hkgxilEm23oSxr-lSZw5opQQ&url=http://www.talksport.co.uk/sports-news/football/premier-league/transfer-rumours/120810/west-ham-snap-french-midfield-star-178377

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West Ham snap up French midfield star
talkSPORT.co.uk
He told the clubs official website: "I am very happy to be here at West Ham - everything is signed now which is good and I am excited to be here at this club and to be playing for them in the Premier League. "I know a lot about West Ham as a club and ...

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International Toolbar for the Amateur Radio Community - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 12:34 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG9l-8pKdDlAnj-Wpz2MkMxB3840A&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/International_toolbar_for_the_amateur_radio_community.htm

International Toolbar for the Amateur Radio Community
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Having browsed the internet, I felt there was a need for an application that brought together the wealth of the amateur radio information that was already out there, into one place, for ease of access, hence the development of my toolbar. To date, over ...

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Foundation Net now on Echolink - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 12:34 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFoVA2bQoQyk7Dyq6_qKdluALyR2A&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/foundation_net_now_on_echolink.htm

Foundation Net now on Echolink
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Over the past few weeks Ive been playing with an Amateur Radio technology that links my work-life and my hobby together. For some, that might be a boon, for me, I have been trying to get out of the office - I work from home - to have a life and ...

1478. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 06:19:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52999e3868dc804c6f77200@google.com>
Source record: 2395
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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SoCal Ham swapmeets

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 12:24 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357223-SoCal-Ham-swapmeets&goto=newpost

Does anuone have the latest times and places for ham swapmeets in SoCal? I
know this weekend has one but not sure where.

Thanks

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Peoria Ilinois Hamfest (Superfest) September 22-23rd

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 08:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357163-Peoria-Ilinois-Hamfest-(Superfest)-September-22-23rd&goto=newpost

The Peoria Hamfest is Saturday and Sunday, September 22-23rd, respectively.

It is located at the Exposition Gardens Fairgrounds, Peoria, Ill.

Info line is 309-692-3378 or go to http://www.w9uvi.org or

http://www.w9uvi.org/?page_id=41

Phil - AC0OB

1479. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-047E - Question bank updates.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 06:35:26 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5025FCA1.1080605@rac.ca>
Source record: 2396
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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RAC Bulletin 2012-047E - Question bank updates.*
2012-08-07

The Radio Amateurs of Canada along with Industry Canada are
undertaking a review of exam questions in the Basic and Advanced
qualifications. This review will see questions that are not
technically correct updated, older questions that aren't as useful
removed and new questions to better test knowledge of our hobby added.

We welcome suggestions and comments from Amateur Radio Operators as
this review proceeds. Please provide your input on the following items:

1. What questions are not technically correct in the current exams?
2. Which questions are no longer relevant to the Amateur Radio
Service and should be removed?
3. Which topics should be added to the exams to replace older questions?

If you have sample questions you would like included, feel free to
send them. Or, simply provide comments on the areas you feel questions
should be added.

Submissions should be received by the Radio Amateurs of Canada by
August 31st, 2012. Following a review of the submissions, a report
will be submitted to Industry Canada in late September for
implementation. The new question bank will see its first use when
Industry Canada releases new exam generator software in the coming months
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To submit your comments or questions, please emailregulatory@rac.ca
<mailto:regulatory@rac.ca>.

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1480. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-040E-1 - Clarification of Bulletin no. 2012-040Epublished on July 31, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 06:39:41 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5025FDCE.2000006@rac.ca>
Source record: 2397
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-040E-1 - Clarification of Bulletin no. 2012-040E
published on July 31, 2012
2012-08-10

Over the past several months there have been questions raised
regarding the information available when searching the 'Canadian Call
Sign Quick Search' which is available on the main page of the RAC website
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The questions raised were regarding Amateur Operator mailing address
information being displayed and incorrect mailing address information
displayed in some instances. When an applicant signs the IC2381 form
requesting their callsign after a successful exam, there is a
disclosure statement indicating that the applicant agrees that
Industry Canada may use, disclose and share the information regarding
their certificate qualifications, name, address and call signs, for
the purpose of establishing a database that will be made public in
order that other amateurs are aware of the frequencies and emissions
that they've been authorized to utilize. This has been the practice
for many years. An operator can request that their mailing address be
removed from the public website if they wish. The call sign, name and
qualifications will remain visible on the public website.

To answer the question regarding incorrect mailing address information
displayed, section 15 of RBR-4 states that the holder of an Amateur
Radio Operator Certificate shall notify the Department within thirty
(30) days with respect to a change of mailing address. It is the
responsibility of the Operator to contact the Department to make the
appropriate changes. You can view RBR-4 at this link:
http:/www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf01226.html

If you need to make changes to your information, you can login to your
Industry Canada Amateur Radio account or create an account if you
don't already have one. The link to the website is:
http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/025.nsf/eng/home. You can also contact
Industry Canada's Amateur Radio Service Centre by telephone at
1-888-780-3333 or via email at spectrum.amateur@ic.gc.ca. RAC
downloads the database displayed the RAC web site from Industry Canada
on a daily basis therefore all changed must be made with Industry Canada.

Hopefully this will clarify the questions being raised regarding
mailing addresses. RAC would appreciate if this clarification could be
included in Club newsletters or other Club correspondence.

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RAC Affiliated Clubs Program Coordinator

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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1481. [RAC-Bulletin] Bulletin de RAC 2012-040F-1 - Bulletin de RAC 2012-040F-1 - Clarification du bulletin no. 2012-040F publi le 31 juillet 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 06:52:41 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5025FF74.7020909@rac.ca>
Source record: 2398
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Bulletin de RAC 2012-040F-1 - Bulletin de RAC 2012-040F-1 -
Clarification du bulletin no. 2012-040F publi le 31 juillet 2012
2012-08-10

Durant les derniers mois il y a eu des questions soulev es au sujet de
l'information disponible en cherchant par le "Canadian Call Sign Quick
Search" qui est disponible sur la page principale du site web de RAC.

Les questions soulev es taient relatives aux informations affich e
s
sur les adresses postales des radioamateurs ainsi qu'aux informations
erron es sur les adresses postales affich es dans certains cas. Quand

un requ rant signe un formulaire IC2381 pour demander son indicatif
apr s un examen r ussi, il y a une d claration de divulgation
indiquant que le requ rant est d'accord que Industrie Canada peut
utiliser, r v ler et partager l'information au sujet des
qualifications de son certificat, son nom, son adresse et ses
indicatifs, dans le but d' tablir une base de donn es qui sera rendue

publique afin que d'autres radioamateurs sachent les fr quences et les
modes d' mission qu'il est autoris utiliser. Ceci est la pratiqu
e
utilis e depuis plusieurs ann es. Un radioamateur peut demander que
son adresse postale soit enlev e du site web public s'il le d sire.
L'indicatif, le nom et les qualifications demeureront visibles sur le
site web public.

Pour r pondre la question relative aux informations erron es sur
les
adresses postales affich es, la section 15 de IPR-4 nonce que le
d tenteur d'un certificat d'op rateur en radio amateur doit aviser le

Minist re dans un d lai de trente (30) jours au sujet d'un changement

d'adresse postale. Il est de la responsabilit du radioamateur de
contacter le Minist re pour effectuer les changements appropri s. Vou
s
pouvez consulter le IPR-4 ce lien:
http:/www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/fra/sf01226.html

Si vous d sirez faire des changements vos informations, vous pouvez

ouvrir une session sur votre compte de radio amateur Industrie
Canada ou cr er un compte si vous n'en avez pas d j un. Le lien au

site web est: http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/025.nsf/fra/accueil. Vous
pouvez galement contacter le centre de service pour la radio amateur
d'Industrie Canada par t l phone 1-888-780-3333 ou par courriel

spectrum.amateur@ic.gc.ca. RAC t l charge la base de donn es affich
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sur le site web de RAC de Industrie Canada sur une base quotidienne,
alors tous les changements doivent tre faits avec Industrie Canada.

Nous esp rons que ceci clarifiera les questions soulev es au sujet de
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adresses postales. RAC appr cierait que ces clarifications soient
incluses dans les bulletins de nouvelles des clubs ou autre
correspondance des clubs.

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1482. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 11:10:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9341277a7aa1204c6fb80d7@google.com>
Source record: 2399
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Sandford Mill Museum GB100MWT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iYSsiAdg_qA/sandford_mill_museum_gb100mwt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sandford Mill Museum in Chelmsford will be open to the public on the
first three Sundays in August from 2-5pm and amateur radio station GB100MWT
will be on-the-air

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Question bank updates

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TSttLQD5Ep4/question_bank_updates.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Amateurs of Canada along with Industry Canada are undertaking a
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ITU assigns new prefix for Niue - E6A-E6Z

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vU0pv1zRvN0/itu_assigns_new_prefix_for_niue.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On August 3, the ITU updated its Table of International Call Sign Series to
reflect a call sign change for Niue. The island will now have the entire E6
prefix block

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Radio ham wins appeal for new mast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vFF73gV2NnY/radio_ham_wins_appeal_for_new_mast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Michael Butler GW0MNP had his planning application for a 21 foot (6.5 m)
mast rejected three times in under a year but he did not give up and has
finally won

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How the OSSI-1 satellite works

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/58vlvW5lvIo/how_the_ossi_satellite_works.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Korean artist Hojun Song and Donghee Park describe the Open Source Satellite Initiative amateur radio CubeSat OSSI-1

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cudkBXb6Obo/032_august_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers rose over 20 points this week, or about twenty-percent, to 119.4. The average daily solar flux was up 3 points to 134.7

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Ham Radio on Fox 40 Morning TV News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IYWpfnVDRqI/ham_radio_on_fox_40_morning_tv_news.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On August 9, 2012 the Fox 40 Morning TV news on KTXL featured a story about amateur radio

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100 year ITU Prefix

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/blx3Mu1uL18/100_year_itu_prefix.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Commemoration of 100 year ITU Prefix with the call PB100PREFIX from 4 to 31 October

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The Perseid Meteor Shower is underway

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gpsS4UG4us0/perseid_meteor_shower_underway.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Earth is entering a stream of debris from Comet Swift-Tuttle, source of the annual Perseid meteor shower

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Hamfest 2012 on Sunday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BkjvcSfdPJ4/hamfest_2012_on_sunday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The popular Hamfest 2012 run by the Flight Refueling Amateur Radio Society in Dorset takes place 10 am this Sunday, August 12

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Radio Amateur interviewed about Car Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P1qqLbn_vpE/radio_amateur_interviewed_about_car_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Deccan Herald newspaper interviewed radio amateur R Ramachandra VU2DIZ, the oldest participant in the first India-ASEAN car rally in 2004

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Morse Code in the Martian soil

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HJCldQXSMMc/morse_code_in_the_martian_soil.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Mars Laboratory CURIOSITY captured images of one of its wheels where we can see clearly the writing of the characters in Morse JPL = Jet Propulsion Laboratory

1483. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 16:22:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93412771868d204c6ffdd12@google.com>
Source record: 2400
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Sky Sat Communications of Montenegro and InnovAntennas

Posted: 09 Aug 2012 10:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357102-Sky-Sat-Communications-of-Montenegro-and-Innov Antennas&goto=newpost

Sky Sat Communications of Montenegro appoints InnovAntennas Exclusive Distributor for its Advanced Contest Solutions Product Line in the North American and United Kingdom Markets

Glade Park, Colorado, Canvey Island, England & Igalo, Montenegro ☐ August 9, 2012: Sky Sat Communications, founded by internationally renown amateur radio contester Ranko Boca, 4O3A, today announced the appointment of InnovAntennas as exclusive distributor of its Advanced Contest Solutions line of ultra high performance Filters, Switches and Automation & Control Devices that ☐no serious shack should be without☐ for the North American and United Kingdom markets with immediate effect.

The Sky Sat 4O3A product line is the result of many years of contest winning experience and development. The pitfalls of underperforming mainstream products have been overcome to provide high-performing products giving serious contesters☐☐and DXers☐☐trouble-free functionality to ensure the points☐☐and new DXCCs☐☐keep racking up! In two short years Sky Sat☐s customer base has expanded to include many of the world☐s leading contesters and contest stations including 4O3A, OH8X, ES5TV, PY5EG, S51A, WX3B, YT3M, DR1A, LZ9W, LX8I, K3WW, UA3AB, S52X, CR2X, II9P, et al.

Sky Sat☐s CEO Ranko Boca, 4O3A said "I have been looking for the right partners to expand Sky Sat☐s reach into North America and the United Kingdom for some time and was delighted to discover that InnovAntennas, with operations on both sides of the Atlantic, could cover both markets. InnovAntennas fully understand the needs of contesters and DXers, the amateur radio world☐s most demanding customers, and are well suited to provide sales and support for our products.☐

InnovAntennas is now stocking and supporting the Sky Sat 4O3A filter products and will be making available the balance of the product line during the second half of 2012. Available immediately are the High Power 5-pole and 3-pole Monoband Band Pass Filters (Series S & Series L) for the HF contest bands: 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m and 10m, and the High Power HF Triplexer/Combiner. Stations using Tribander antennas to cover 20m, 15m and 10m can use the High Power HF Triplexer/Combiner in combination with

Series S filters to operate simultaneously with a high level of isolation on all three bands with multiple transceivers sharing the same antenna - perfect for serious contest efforts from home, Field Day and DXpeditions. All 4O3A filters, including the Triplexer/Combiner, are rated for full legal power at high duty cycle modes such as RTTY.

InnovAntennas America cofounder & executive chairman William Hein said ☐InnovAntennas strives to sell only the absolute best, no compromise antennas and accessories and have found a kindred spirit in Ranko, 4O3A. My new personal contest station in Colorado is being designed around 4O3A-designed products in the shack and of course our own InnovAntennas products in the air. We look forward to a long, productive relationship with Sky Sat and can☐t wait to see what comes next out of Ranko☐s lab!☐

About Sky Sat Communications

Ranko Boca, 4O3A, founded Sky Sat Communications, a producer of digital and analog transmitters for commercial TV and FM broadcasters as well as custom telecom products for a global market, in 1990.

Unsatisfied with the performance and quality of performance products made for hams, Boca and Sky Sat launched a Ham Radio Department in 2010. Boca (ex-YU6AD, YT6AA, YT6A) married his decades of hands on contest experience with the latest technology to create unique, ultra-high performance products designed and manufactured without comprise for the amateur radio world☐s most demanding users: contesters and DXers.

About InnovAntennas

Justin Johnson, G0KSC, launched InnovAntennas, Ltd. in 2011 after his antenna designing hobby led to a flood of requests to ☐please make one for me☐ from amateur radio operators who recognized that Johnson☐s designs outperformed anything they could buy from a store. InnovAntennas America, Inc. was launched in January 2012 by William Hein, AA7XT and is based in Glade Park, Colorado. The company☐s antennas and accessories are available directly via InnovAntennas.us (for North America), InnovAntennas.com (for the rest of the world) and via a worldwide dealer network.

InnovAntennas☐ highly regarded designs include LFA (Loop Fed Array) and OP-DES (Opposing Phase ☐ Driven Element System) Yagis. Performance of InnovAntennas☐ GOKSC designed Yagis routinely top the charts in their boom-length class on the survey of ☐moonbounce☐ antennas ☐ ☐EME-ers☐ are among the ham world☐s most critical operators ☐ compiled by VE7BQH and available online.

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1484. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 16:30:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3033462f9163b504c6fffaa4@google.com>
Source record: 2251
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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3Z95HB - 95th Anniversary Of The Scouting In Bydgoszcz (POLAND)

Posted: 11 Aug 2012 01:43 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357298-3Z95HB-95th-Anniversary-Of-The-Scouting-In-Bydgoszcz-(POLAND)&goto=newpost

8.08.1917 was held first meeting of Boy Scouts in Bydgoszcz (POLAND).

On the occasion of 95th anniversary of this historical event on 8 August
- 9 September 2012 scouts-members of radio clubs from Bydgoszcz will be
active under the occasional callsign - 3Z95HB.

We are inviting everyone for the participation in our action commemorating
beginnings of the Bydgoszcz scouting.

More info on http://www.qrz.com/db/3Z95HB

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SES R1000M and award "Mordovia-1000"

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 09:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357288-SES-R1000M-and-award-quot-Mordovia-1000-quot&goto=newpost

During the period with 1.08.2012 on 30.09.2012 the R1000M station devoted
to 1000-year Unity of the Mordovian People with Peoples of Russia State
will be active. Also the group of hams founded the free electronic award.
Info about award on site r4u.ucoz.net.

Operators:

RA4UDC - Alexey - RDA: MD-05

RA4UVK - Dmitry - RDA: MD-03

RW4UW - Andrey - RDA: MD-05

RZ4UZ - Sergey - RDA: MD-04

QSL via bureau, manager RA4UVK

Award manager RA4UDC

Attached Images

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2012 Salmon Run (aka WA QSO Party)

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 07:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357282-2012-Salmon-Run-(aka-WA-QSO-Party)&goto=newpost

The Western Washington DX Club has announced that the 2012 Salmon Run (WA State QSO Party) will take place September 15 - 16. Full details and rules for this very popular event can be found on the WWDXC website.

So, what's so special about this QSO Party? Aside from nifty certificates for high scorers, packages of smoked salmon will be awarded to the highest scoring entry in each DXCC entity and each US Call District (0 through 9). To qualify for prizes the minimum number of QSOs is: DX 25 and USA 50. Other salmon prizes, awards and sponsored plaques at the discretion of the awards committee. That's right, if you do well, you can eat your prize! :cool:

This station will be active on 160/80/40/20/15/10m bands, CW & SSB modes.

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VK9XM Christmas Island

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 11:19 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357212-VK9XM-Christmas-Island&goto=newpost

OH2YY will be active from Christmas Island 6-12 October 2012 as VK9XM

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...s-island_2012/

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1485. SARL News in English 11/8/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 16:36:44 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <950C2B095A274F168EE1150D28D0486F@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2252
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 12 AUGUST 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with deep sadness we have to announce that the key of OM Les Clark, ZS6NV, became silent on the 8th August. Les was 92 years old. He joined the SARL in 1947, and has enjoyed continued membership for the past 65 years. Les was a Honorary Member of the Centurion Radio Amateur Club.

Our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

MORSE CODE ON MARS

BOOK BY WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOR THE RTA IN GAUTENG

PERSEIDS SHOULD BE FUN FOR METEOR SCATTER ENTHUSIASTS AND VIEWERS ALIKE

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

MORSE CODE ON MARS

When Curiosity moves around Mars it will leave a series on dots and dashes on the surface. If you look carefully at Curiosity's wheels, you might notice that along with treads, there are square and rectangular holes. According to JPL Rover Mechanical Engineering Team, these holes actually have a purpose: odometer markers. JPL Engineers will be looking at the visual odometer markers that are on the wheels. There are asymmetric patterns, actually holes, inside the wheels of the rover

that will leave an imprint on the surface of Mars. These imprints help to verify that it has traversed the distance it expects to traverse. If it looks like it's not traversing, even though the wheels are going, that is an indication that the vehicle is getting stuck and it will stop and call back home.

So what pattern did JPL choose to put on Curiosity's wheels? The holes are in a pattern of short squares and longer rectangles -- almost like dots and dashes in Morse code. And what does it spell out in Morse code? JPL.

You can follow Curiosity on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MarsCuriosity.

BOOK BY WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOR THE RTA IN GAUTENG

Pre Bookings for the Radio Technology in Action Symposium to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre on Saturday 18 August 2012, close on Wednesday night. After that you can register and pay (Cash only) at the NARC from 08:15 on Saturday. Full detail of the symposium is available on line at www.sarl.org.za.

By pre-booking you take part in an additional prize draw for the ARRL Book "Basic Antennas". If you like a programme to be sent to your inbox, send an email to rta@sarl.org.za with RTA NARC in the subject line and a PDF copy will be mailed to you.

Get up to date with Propagation and how to do your own predictions, how to control antennas, contest logging, learn about Software Defined Radio and how to build an experimental SDR, have fun with RaDAR and be part of Tony Voorveld's spectacular presentation "Tuning into nature." It is all happening at the SARL RTA on Saturday at 18 August 2012. Doors open at 08:15 and the programme starts at 09:00.

GET YOUR QSL's AT THE RTA

Members and Non Members can collect their QSL cards at the RTA. The QSL Manager, Willem Weideman, ZS6WWJ, will during refreshment breaks, be available to hand out cards to delegates who are attending the SARL's premiere event.

PERSEIDS SHOULD BE FUN FOR METEOR SCATTER ENTHUSIASTS AND VIEWERS ALIKE

The peak of the Perseids meteor shower will coincide with a waning crescent moon. This will produce favourable viewing circumstances for observers expecting to get the full effect of this yearly experience.

For South Africa the best time to watch and operate is 23:00 - 04:30 CAT on 12 and 13 August.

On average, under completely clear skies, and in complete darkness, observers may witness 20 to 80 meteors per hour; but these rates can exceed up to 120 meteors per hour in rural locations. Be aware that local conditions such as light pollution, cloud cover, and precipitation will also play a major role in the number of meteors you

are likely to see.

For the best viewing experience, find an area unobstructed by a structure that is far away from city lights. Using optical devices such as binoculars or telescopes is not recommended, as your field of view will be greatly restricted, thus making the possibility of missing a "shooting star" more likely.

Not coincidentally, the Perseids meteor shower is named after the constellation Perseus for the reason that they appear to originate from the sparkling Greek "hero." Looking directly up at the sky or into the radiant is not recommended since this is just the point in which they appear to come from. You are more likely to see a trail when looking slightly away from this point. Looking half-way up into the sky will lead to the best show in the house.

Amateur Radio and the Perseids

If you own a 6 or 2 metre SSB/CW transceiver, you can get in on the action, bouncing your signals off Perseid meteor trails and making quick meteor scatter contacts over hundreds of kilometres, and possibly even as much as 2 000 km. Meteor scatter operation is particularly easy on 6 metres where 100 W and an Omni directional antenna will do the job. On 2 metres, a directional antenna (such as a multi-element Yagi) usually yields better results.

Some meteor scatter operators prefer to use SSB, making rapid exchanges of signal reports and grid squares. With the free sound-card-based WSJT software suite by Joe Taylor, K1JT, it is possible to make digital meteor scatter contacts almost any time of the day or night, not just during annual showers. Most WSJT scatter operators use a mode known as FSK441 and centre their activities on calling frequencies 50,260 and 144,140 MHz.

CONTEST NEWS

Contest results. For the SARL Winter QRP contest held on the 21st July 16 logs and 1 check log were received:- 1st Gerrit Rautenbach ZS2XD 2436 points 2nd Lukas Holtzhuizen ZS6LH 1560 points 3rd Andre Botes ZS2ACP 1452 points

Congratulations to Gerrit for his achievement. It just goes to show what can be achieved if you go the extra mile.

By Friday evening at 20:30, the contest committee had received 13 logs and 1 contest log for the SARL HF Phone Contest.

The closing date for logs has been extended to midnight on Monday 13 August 2012. The 50th log received will win a SARL Membership for the current financial year. PLEASE read General Rule 5 and 6 before submitting your log.

Next contest.

The next leg of the SARL HF contest, digital, takes place on Sunday the 19th August.

1. Aim The aim of the HF Contests is for participants to contact as many amateurs in Southern Africa (General Rules para 1.b.) as possible on the 20, 40 and 80 m amateur bands. 2. Time >From 13:00 to 16:00 UTC [15:00 to 18:00 CAT] 3. Frequencies 3 580 to 3 600 kHz 7 040 to 7 060 kHz 14 070 to 14 099 kHz PSK31 is preferred at the lower end of the specified frequencies. RTTY is preferred at the upper end of the specified frequencies. Please note that USB must be used at all times, refer to GR 16. 4. Categories a) Single Operator, Single Band b) Single Operator, All Band c) Multi Operator, Single Band d) Multi Operator, All Band Individual competitors and club stations are encouraged to compete. 5. Exchange RS(T) and a consecutive serial number starting at 001. 6. Scoring

Digital contacts count 3 points. Count two points for each area (see below) on each band. Count 2 points for each stations contacted on all three bands.

Area 1: ZS1 Western Cape Area 2: ZS2 Eastern Cape Area 3: ZS3 Northern Cape Area 4: ZS4 Free State Area 5: ZS5 KwaZulu-Natal Area 6: ZS6 Gauteng, Mpumalanga; Limpopo and North West Area 7: 3B8 Mauritius, 3DA Swaziland, 7P Lesotho, 7Q Malawi, C9 Mozambique, Z2 Zimbabwe, 5R Madagascar, FR Reunion Island and FH Mayotte Area 8: 9J Zambia, A2 Botswana, D2 Angola, V5 Namibia, ZD9 Gough and Tristan da Cunha Islands, ZS7 Antarctica and ZS8 Marion Island. Contacts with stations outside these areas are allowed, QSO points may be claimed but no zone or three-bander points may be claimed. 7. Sponsor Send logs to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or by mail to the Bloemfontein ARC, Box 33211, Fichardt Park, 9317. Closing date for logs is 27 August 2012.

RAE CLASSES

The Bloemfontein ARC will be presenting RAE classes starting on Friday 17 August. These will be weekly classes at 18:00 on Friday evenings. For more information, contact Warren, ZS4W, with email to zs4whiskey@mweb.co.za or mobile 082 777 9094.

CLUB NEWS

At the AGM of the Zululand Amateur Radio Club, held on the 12th July in Richards Bay, the following Committee members were elected to serve the members of the club for the forthcoming year

Chairman: John Kramer, ZS5J Vice Chairman: Andrew Jansen, ZS5AND Treasurer: Willie Axford, ZS5WI Secretary: Dawn Snyders, ZS5ME Members: Jo Snyders ZS5PO (News Editor)

Anne Griffiths ZS5FAB

Warren Snyders ZS5WOZ.

We wish them well for their term of office, and thank the outgoing members for their hard work during their term of office.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity will be at low to moderate levels.

There are currently many sunspot regions visible but none are posing a threat for strong solar flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 82.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 13 August - That is tomorrow, new closing date for submission of logs for the SARL HF Phone competition. 15 August - ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AMENDMENT BILL, last date to send your comments to the SARL by email to secretary@sarl.org.za. 16 August - Last day to submit logs for the YL Sprint to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or Bloemfontein ARC, Box 33211, Fichardt Park, 9317. 18 August - RTA in GAUTENG, pre-book now to also enter for an additional prize draw. 19 August - SARL HF digital competition. 26 August - SARL HF CW competition. 27 August - Last day to submit logs for SARL HF digital contest to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or Bloemfontein ARC, Box 33211, Fichardt Park, 9317,

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1486. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 18:08:03 UTC
From: Patty Winter <patty1@wintertime.com>
Message-ID: <50269f83$0$7089$742ec2ed@news.sonic.net>
Source record: 2253
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In article <h26d28h54rsjjlt2j5qgf4c07b4cjrv8la@4ax.com>,
Spike <Aero.Spike@live.invalid> wrote:
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>>http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HJCldQXSMMc/morse_code_in_the_martian_soil.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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>>The Mars Laboratory CURIOSITY captured images of one of its wheels where we
>>can see clearly the writing of the characters in Morse JPL = Jet Propulsion
>>Laboratory
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>Left A says E G or W E. Right A says E O or O E.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/innovations/post/nasa-curiosity-crew-members-are-hanging-out-with-us-today-230-pm-et/2012/08/10/c2faf4e2-e2f4-11e1-98e7-89d659f9c106_blog.html

"A Post reader asked whether the patterns in the wheels were Morse code
for 'JPL.' They're not, said [mission controller Bobak] Ferdowsi, saying
that the patterns allow analysts back on Earth to determine the rover's
rate and direction of movement."

Patty

1487. eHam.net News for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-11 23:02:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52999e3d8829204c704af2b@google.com>
Source record: 2254
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Limerick Radio Club to Go On the Air from Loop Head:

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 05:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28792

LIMERICK Radio Club is to host a non-stop 48-hour marathon broadcast from Loop Head Lighthouse in Kilbaha. The club, comprising members from Limerick, Clare, Kerry and Tipperary, will broadcast as part of the 15th International Lighthouse/ Lightship Weekend (ILLW) on August 18-19. The Loop Head beacon will be among hundreds of lighthouses and lightships worldwide participating in a unique event aimed at promoting public awareness of lighthouses and their need for preservation and restoration. Simon Kenny, chairperson of Limerick Radio Club, explained that the club, which was founded in 1946, has a "long association" with the Lighthouse Weekend and this year, for the first time, is "privileged to be allowed to operate from Loop Head". "We hope to open long distance communications with regions in Asia, through Europe, North and South America, Australia and New Zealand," he explained. "A special QSL Card [confirmation of communication] has been designed to mark the event. Club membership is open to individuals from all walks of life who are interested in radio communications, electronic construction and antenna design. The club will operate two stations, one of which will be at the entrance to the Lighthouse so members of the public can listen to some of the transmissions," he added.

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Sunspot Solar Storm Captured on Video:

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28791

According to NASA, a sunspot is an area where there are concentrations of magnetic flux, generally within bipolar clusters or groups. They appear as a dark spot on the sun's photosphere because they are cooler than the surrounding photosphere. The classification of sun spots appears as to their group characteristics, known as the Zurich Sunspot Classification, which preceded older sunspot counting schemes, such as the Wolf Sunspot Number classification. The affects of sunspots on Earth, according to NASA, are mainly found in Earth's upper atmosphere, the ionosphere. Solar winds are the effects of increased sunspot activity, which often is the result of increased sunspot activity. The charged particles in solar wind can interact with atoms in the ionosphere, which may interfere with our

communications systems.

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Sacramento Club Keeps Morse Code Alive in iPhone Era:

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 05:43 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28790

SACRAMENTO -- With cell phones, texting and e-mailing, it seems like there would be no room for Morse code. But one Sacramento group says the first digital language is pretty similar to the way we communicate today. Michael Aretsky, one of the leaders of the W6SFM club said it's, "the original texting." But unlike modern day texting, you don't need a phone contract, or cell service. Aretsky says with just one box, a Morse code key and some wire, he can go anywhere in the world and transmit.

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Radio Ham Wins Appeal for New Mast:

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 05:39 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28789

AN amateur radio enthusiast in Cefn Cribwr - who accused the town's community council of racism -- won an appeal to erect a fourth mast in his garden. Radio ham Michael Butler, of Green Meadow, sent a stinging letter to Cefn Cribwr Community Council last month saying their "prejudice" against his mast erection ideas "bordered on racism". In an unprecedented three-pronged attack, he also penned letters accusing the Gazette of being "biased and sarcastic" and calling borough Mayor councillor Marlene Thomas "an idiot". In March, Bridgend County Borough Council planners slammed his bid to erect a 6.5m high mast in his garden to further his amateur radio hobby. Opposers likened the proposed antennae to "a flying bedstead". But last week, Welsh planning inspector Rebecca Phillips upheld Mr Butler's appeal against the BCBC decision. The consent means he can now keep the three masts already in his garden and erect a fourth, on the proviso that it is only at its full height for three hours a day.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #32 de K7RA:

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 08:41 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28788

Average daily sunspot numbers rose over 20 points this week, or about twenty-percent, to 119.4. The average daily solar flux was up 3 points to 134.7.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #32:

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 08:41 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28787

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

1488. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-12 02:23:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340ea10231ae04c70843b0@google.com>
Source record: 2255
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Testing and Classes - Brownwood News (blog)

Posted: 11 Aug 2012 12:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEvXczYmSRT7PDrg2ZRa8W8WIoCzA&url=http://www.brownwoodnews.com/index.php?option%3Dcom_content%26view%3Darticle%26id%3D9314:amateur-radio-testing-and-classes%26catid%3D36:life%26Itemid%3D59

Amateur Radio Testing and Classes
Brownwood News (blog)
The Brown County volunteer amateur radio exam team held a test session at the American Red Cross building in Brownwood at 10AM on Saturday morning, August 11th, with several participants in attendance. The group will also be holding a technician ...

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Ham Radio Lives On - Twin Falls Times-News

Posted: 23 Jul 2012 01:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHI87roxUBS2inu4xTKxwrOAae9kA&url=http://magicvalley.com/news/local/ham-radio-lives-on/article_b87a121d-881d-5fcd-a7df-72c50ae13ae4.html

Ham Radio Lives On
Twin Falls Times-News
TWIN FALLS • Like Mark Twains purported death, the demise of ham radio has been greatly exaggerated. “There is a terrible rumor that ham radio is dead,” said Kelly Klaas of the Magic Valley Amateur Radio Operators Club. The truth is, the activity is ...

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Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams - Times of India

Posted: 15 Jul 2012 03:58 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ96xjdcQ35dHk5mAUgSaMGpc8LQ&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Ham-radio-to-link-Ahmedabad-students-with-Sunita-Williams/articleshow/14972807.cms

Ham radio to link Ahmedabad students with Sunita Williams
Times of India
Ham radio or amateur radio is frequently used for the communication from space to earth and vice versa and in the past, many of the astronauts stationed at ISS have had talks with students narrating their experiences and answering their queries. So far ...

and more

1489. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 12 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-12 11:08:27 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303a2bc748759404c70f982f@google.com>
Source record: 2256
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Floods in the Philippines hit Manilla

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JrJTZXfbBM8/floods_in_the_philippines_hit_manilla.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association activated the Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HERO) on two metres and 40 metres passing essential traffic during the recent widespread flooding in Manilla

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It really heats up for the ILLW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K1wVHDLo5Dc/it_really_heats_up_for_the_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

So far, 46 nations have joined the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, being held this weekend (August 18 to 19), totalling 415 registrations

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Canadian Callsign Quick Search - clarification

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n4THqOZBi8o/canadian_callsign_quick_search.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over the past several months there have been questions raised regarding the information available when searching the 'Canadian Call Sign Quick Search' which is available on the main page of the Radio Amateurs of Canada website

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The Perseid Meteor Shower peaks this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xW6XJmKE3zs/perseid_meteor_shower_peak.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Perseid meteor shower is underway. There's more to see than meteors, however, when the shower peaks on August 11th through 13th. The brightest planets in the solar system are lining up in the middle of the display

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Experiments with Chirp

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5iZv6Ly8a6o/experiments_with_chirp.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chirp was developed to enable easier data communications between mobile phones but Tim Kirby G4VXE has been testing it on Amateur Radio

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BdVX4owco5Q/iaru_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The July issue of the IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports on a burst system affecting the amateur radio 3.5/7/14/21 MHz bands

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Book by Wednesday night for the RTA in Gauteng

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tHjFcjmT5pU/rta_in_gauteng.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Pre-bookings for the Radio Technology in Action Symposium to be held at the National Amateur Radio Centre on Saturday 18 August 2012, close on Wednesday night. After that you can register and pay (Cash only) at the NARC from 08:15 on Saturday

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Yi_uh-YquAc/august_12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the week's expected solar activity will be at low to moderate levels. There are currently many sunspot regions visible but none are posing a threat for strong solar flares

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An Introduction to X-Band for Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7u880NBa5Bo/an_introduction_to_x_band_for_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gordon West, WB6NOA with host Tim Tucker, AE6LX from worldwidedx.com cover the basic concepts of 10 GHz on Amateur Radio

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SARL HF Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wRo4TXYgK9E/sarl_hf_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next leg of the SARL HF Contest, digital, takes place on Sunday the
19th August

1490. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 12 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-12 16:17:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934100133cbfb04c713ea8d@google.com>
Source record: 2257
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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New One lighthouse

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 08:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357438-New-One-lighthouse&goto=newpost

Since 16 to 19 august will plan expedition on lighthouse port Kavkaz. R6A,
Black sea. Activation of the two lighthouses: Front 45°20.2'N, 36°40.4'E
and rear (2,8 cables from the front) KN85EE. RDA: KR-55. NEW ONE! Call-sign
RV6AWL/P.

Expedition team - UA6BQU, RV6CU, RZ6APF.

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PJ5/K3TRM Sint Eustatius Island

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 06:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357434-PJ5-K3TRM-Sint-Eustatius-Island&goto=newpost

K3TRM will be active from Sint Eustatius Island until 18 August 2012 as
PJ5/K3TRM

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...tatius-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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E51AIU Atiu Island South Cook Islands

Posted: 11 Aug 2012 12:25 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357353-E51AIU-Atiu-Island-South-Cook-Islands&goto=new
post

JJ8DEN will be active from Atiu Island (IOTA OC-083) , South Cook Islands
until 17 August 2012 as E51AIU

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-cook-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

1491. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 12 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-12 16:37:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced1b1219704c714306b@google.com>
Source record: 2258
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Simon Brown, HB9DRV, comments on new HRD

Posted: 11 Aug 2012 02:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357370-Simon-Brown-HB9DRV-comments-on-new-HRD&goto=newpost

Simon Brown, HB9DRV, the creator of Ham Radio Deluxe, has made public his comments on the new releases of HRD.

He is busy working on his SDR program and the current results can be found at http://sdr-radio.com. Simon is having the time of his life working on this next generation of radio technology.

In comments to the new HRD owners he said, ☐I☐m very pleased with the progress the team has made with HRD. The latest version is more ☐rock solid☐ than any other versions ever released. HRD Software, LLC was the right choice to continue HRD, and I love the work they are doing not only with the program, but with the customers. I☐m very happy the ham community is supporting them in their efforts, as they supported me for those many years.☐

Ham Radio Deluxe is at http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

HRD Support Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/HRDsoftware

1492. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1074

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-12 19:49:42 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <375616.79722.qm@smtp108.sbc.mail.gq1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2259
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th-August, through Sunday, 12th-August there were 216 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, PA, PJ2, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TN, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, VU7, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2C, CONWAY REEF (Press Release). Paul, N6PSE, sent out the following on August 7th: "After many months of careful planning, we are pleased to

announce that our preparations for a large multi-national Dxpedition to Conway Reef are going according to plan.
Conway Reef is located in the South Pacific Ocean and is #35 on Club-Log's most wanted DXCC list.
The Team is meeting in Lami Bay, Suva and departing by ship to Conway Reef on September 24th. The Team expects to arrive at Conway Reef and become active on September 26th. We will complete our Dxpedition on October 5th, 2012.
The main goals of this DXpedition are to work every amateur radio operator who needs Conway Reef for a new DXCC country. In addition, we will be active on all bands from 1.8 MHz to 144 MHz, including the 5 MHz and 50 MHz bands.
We will be active on CW, SSB and RTTY. Special attention will be made to work far away stations such as Europe and Africa during those periods when propagation permits. The propagation window for EU and Africa is very brief at times and signals may be weak, so we ask everyone in the honored HAM SPIRIT to stand by when asked so that we may fulfill this need. Our destination will have a wide range of options and possibilities.
We plan to upload our logs on a daily basis to our on-line log. We will upload to LOTW approximately six months following the DXpedition.
Our team consists of these Operators: Hrane-YT1AD-Leader, Aleksej-UA4HOX-Co-Leader-Operations, Paul-N6PSE-Co-Leader-PR & Fundraising, David-WD5COV, Vasily-RW4NW, David-AH6HY, Alan-K6SRZ-Team Physician, Alan-AD6E, Sergej-RZ3FW, Craig-K9CT, Stan-LZ1GC, George-N6NKT, Peter-PY5CC, Mike-K6MKF, Jim-K9JM, Miguel-PY3MM and Luciano-PY5KD.
We wish everyone good propagation and we hope that you enjoy working the 3D2C Team.

At this time, we are seeking additional Club and Individual Sponsors to help us defray the costs of carrying out this DXpedition. Our official website is: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html
3D2C Team"

5T0, MAURITANIA. A group of Polish radio amateurs (SP2EBG, SP3CYY, SP3GEM, SP6EQZ, SP3FXY and SP6IXF) with the special participation of Jean, 5T0JL, will be active as 5T0SP between November 24th and December 10th, from Mauritania. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SSB an RTTY. There will be a focus on JA and Far East. A Web page is currently under construction at: http://www.5t0sp.dxing.pl

C6, BAHAMAS. Bob, W9XY, will be active as C6AXY between November 4-9th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using mostly CW and SSB, with maybe some RTTY or PSK31 thrown in. QSL via W9XY.

CW, URUGUAY (LH Op!). Members of the "RADIO CLUB URUGUAYO" will be active as CW1R (ILLW Special Event Callsign) from Punta del Este Lighthouse (ARLHS URU 008, ILLW UY0005, Grid Locator GF25ma) during the upcoming International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (August 17-19th). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL by the Bureau or direct to: Radio Club Uruguayo, P.O.Box 37, 11000, Montevideo, URUGUAY, SOUTH AMERICA (with SAEand 1 new IRC or 2 green stamps).

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting
their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them
(possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2008 - KL7DX NA-234 Cleveland Volcano DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v6fW4rYcwg
2007 - C6ARI DXpeditions: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;TkbywWcdk
2002 - VP6DI Ducie Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;WSMeeSf7Q (Part 1)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v&#65533;2K8kcaiA4 (Part 2)

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to
have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish
it.

E6, NIUE (New Prefix). On August 3rd, the ITU updated its "Table of
International Callsign Series" to reflect a callsign change for Niue.
The island will now have the entire E6 prefix block (E6A-E6Z). Niue
is an island approximately 1700 miles northeast of New Zealand, and
is a self-governing island nation that has been in free association
with New Zealand since 1974. Prior to the change, the island used ZK2.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Adrian, AA5UK, will be operating again from Ibiza,
Balearic Islands (EU-004), between October 20-31st as EA6/AA5UK. Activity
will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will
also operate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/
All-Band/Assisted entry. Adrian informs OPDX, "I got back into RTTY big
time last year and found there was a big demand of EA6. I will be con-
centrating heavily on RTTY with some SSB during my non-contest period."
QSL direct via his home callsign, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-008. Takeshi "TAKE", JI3DST, will once again be active as JI3DST/JI1
from
Shikine Island (North Izu Island) between 0500z, September 12th
and 2400z, September 16th. Operations will be on 40/30/20/17/15/
12/10 meters using CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31. Activity will
also be during the Scandinavian Activity Contest [SAC] (Sep-
tember 15-16th). In case of heavy rain or other conditions,
the operation condition may vary. QSL info for JI3DST/JI1 is
available on QRZ.com. Also, visit his Blog Page at:
http://blog.goo.ne.jp/ji3dst

AS-060. Members of Gwangju DX Club will be active as D7G from Kogum
Island between August 17-19th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters
using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HL4CEL.

EU-136. Vincenzo, IZ2WMW, will be active as 9A/IZ2WMW from Krk Island
(ACIA IC-105, CIA-22, IOCA CI-046, MIA MC-185, WLOTA 1342)
between August 18-25th. Activity will be holiday style on
the HF bands. QSL via hs home callsign, direct or by the
Bureau.

NA-161. Operators Doc/KL7XK/p, Chuck/WL7CSJ/p, Heinz/VA7AQ/NL5 and
Frank/VE7DP/WL9 will activate Pleasant Island between August
17-19/th. Activity will be on 30/20/17/15 meters using CW
and SSB. QSL to operator's home callsign, by the Bureau or
direct.

OC-174. Gil, 4F2KWT, will be active as DX0N from the rare Bongao
Island located in the province of Tawi-Tawi, Philippines,
sometime in September. Look for more details o be forthcoming
at: http://www.qrz.com/db/DX0N

K4, UNITED STATES (LH/IOTA Op!). A team of eight operators, lead by
Rick, K4JTT, from the Atlanta area, will again activate a rare light-
house from Sand Island Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-723), on Dauphin Island
(NA-213), in Alabama, between September 26-30th. The callsign will be
K4D. Sponsors for this year's activation include Yaesu who will supply
the radios, the anchor sponsor Alpha Delta Antenna's who will provide
the antennas and the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club, Marietta, Georgia.
This is the group 3rd annual activation. For more details and updates,
visit: http://www.w4bti.org

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 13-19th)....
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Aug/15th AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

ADDED NOTE: Lee states, "An estimated 50 meteors per hour may streak
across the Northeast sky on August 12-13th, with the best viewing
between 11 PM local until just before sunrise (BEST VIEWING)."
Also, visit:
http://www.amsmeteors.org/2012/08/viewing-the-2012-perseid-meteor-shower

NH7, HAWAII. Ji, N6TJ, will be active as NH7A from KH6LC's QTH
during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/
All-Band entry. QSL via F5VHJ.

OH0, ALANDS. Normunds, YL3DQ, will be active as OH0/YL3DQ from Eckero,
Aland Island, between August 12-20th. Activity will be holiday style
on 80-10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via YL3DQ. The log will be uploaded
to LoTW.

P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from Santa Cruz, Aruba (SA-036, WLOTA 0033), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or N2MM (QRZ.com). Look for some 30/17/12 meters and 160 meters operations before the contest as time permits. PLEASE NOTE: 60m operation is NOT authorized on Aruba. Log will be posted to LoTW within two weeks. ALSO, John plans to end responding to P40W QSL card requests by the end of 2013. Confirmations for P40W only via LoTW thereafter.

PT7, BRAZIL (LH Op!). Luciano, PT7ZT/p, will be active from two valid Lighthouses for the Brazilian Lighthouse Award (DFB) and Cear&#65533; State Lighthouse Award (DFCE): Between now and August 14th, Pontal das Almas Lighthouse (BRA-179, CE-03), and August 16-19th, Itapag&#65533; Lighthouse (BRA-057 andd CE-02). Activity will be SSB only. QSL via his home callsign.

PT0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update). As mentioned last week, George, AA7JV, was on a recon trip to St. Peter and Paul Rocks for the PT0S operation coming up in November, and has returned home. George used an Elecraft KX3 with a whip on the recon trip to determine the quietest location for the low band receiving antennas: 300 ft. away on another island. You can read about on the PT0S Web page under "News Updates" at: http://pt0s.com/news.html

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated August 12th)

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2O0CGT via 2E0CGT CU3YLA via CU3BL HT9H via TI4SU
4L0CR via DL8KAC DL/9A2WJ via 9A2WJ IT9/ON4ENL via ON4ENL
4X/DK7CM via DK7CM DL/PA4ARP via PA4ARP LA/DH0JAE via DH0JAE
4X130RISHON via 4Z4KX DM50KSJ via DL2VM OE/DJ5RE/p via DJ5RE
5B/G4MKP via M0URX DR50DTANGO via DG5MPQ OE/OK1NOR via OK1NOR
5B/RV1AW via RU1AE EA6/DF2DD via DF2DD OL8M via OK1DRQ
5B/RV1AW via RU1AE EA6/DL7MX via DL7MX ON40KS via ON7MFY
5Q0PI via OZ6PI EM200L via UT3LI ON50HC via ON3AIM
8S7SIX via SM7FJE EO5UFF via US5UFF OZ/DH0JAE via DH0JAE
9A/S54O via S54O EY8/UA4WHX via UA4WHX OZ/DL3JJ via DL3JJ
9A/S57SU via S57SU F/PA2M via PA2M P29FR via I2RFJ
9A8WTV via IZ5WTV FG4NO via F4AVX R200BB via RK3CQ
9K2/A92KT via 9K2KH FK8GX via W3HNK RI1FJA via RX3MM
9M2IDJ via JA6IDJ GO2MP via N3SL SP2/DK2ZF via DK2ZF
CO6LE via EA5GL GO7BTA via G7BTA UN/UA4WHX via UA4WHX
CT7/DL1IAL via DL1IAL HA/ON6UU/P via ON6UU XE1REF/XF1 via XE1REF
CT7/G3SED via G3SED HB0/IK1AIL via IK1AIL ZA1/YO2MBU via YO2MBU
CT9/OM7JG via OM7JG HL5/DL2DUA via DL2DUA ZA1TC via TA1HZ
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

5R8FL QSL ROUTE CHANGE. Phil, G3SWH , reports: "It is with great regret that I have to announce that Andreas, 5R8FL, has terminated my QSL managership of his station with effect from the end of July 2012. I have his logs up to the end of June 2012 and am awaiting the log for July. I

will be uploading the latest logs to LoTW and to the search facility on my web site in the next few weeks. I have plenty of proper QSL cards left. I have been given no reason for the termination and have no information as to whether Andreas has made any alternative arrangements for confirming his future QSOs."

CY9M LOTW NOTICE. The following note is on M0URX's Web page at: http://m0urx.com/3-M0URX/369-cy9m-lotw-upload.html
"The CY9M log has been uploaded to Logbook of The World, LoTW. It has become clear that one of the laptops used for logging was + one hour out of UTC. If you are missing a match on LoTW please reload your QSO adding ONE HOUR to your log time."

QSL H44USMC via H44RK. Special event station to commemorate 70th anniversary of the U.S. Marines landings on Guadalcanal.

HK0NA LoTW. Bob, N2OO, reports that he has begun to upload QSOs to LoTW. However, he mentions that for some reason some 15,000 QSOs are missing from the HK0NA LoTW upload. He states, "Will work it all out with ARRL next week. PLEASE don't deluge me with emails! ;-) I'm on it."

UT1FG/MM QSL UPDATE. OPDX has been informed with the following updated info concerning the status of QSL requests for contacts made by UT1FG/MM after April, 2012: "Yuri, UT1FG, has been on a well deserved vacation in Russia following his 6 month long voyage as Captain of the M/V Barnacle. Logs for the April-May 2012 timeframe have just now become available to his QSL Manager Eugene, UX0FY. Yuri was only home for a few days, but he managed to write many QSL cards which will be returned by mail (if postage was provided), or by the Bureau (if no postage was enclosed). Eugene will have the bureau cards out in September and said that the Ukraine Bureau is working very well. Direct cards are going out daily. Eugene has all of Yuri's logs now and can answer all requests. Eugene responds to all requests (with sufficient postage) on a direct basis. He encloses an insert that requests that the recipient send an E-mail to him when they receive their card(s). This insures that the process is complete. If no E-mail is received then the card is possibly lost or stolen in the mail. So, let him know if you received your UT1FG/MM cards that you requested or not. If you did not receive the cards, he will work something out with you to get them. This goes for the 6 meter as well as the satellite contacts.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 1A0C, 5B4AHK, 5B4AIF, 6D0LM, 9A5K, 9A8ZRS, 9K2MU, 9M6XRO, AK1W, CE2/VE7SV, CN4P,CO2JD, CQ7A, CY9M, DF4WC, DK1BX, DL1IAI, DL1QQ, DL3XM, DL4YBP, DL5FU, DL7URH, DU1IST, DU1JI, EI6HW, EA1XT, F4BKV, FM5CD, FP/VA2WA, G4IIY, G7SSE, GJ6YB, GM2T, GM5X, H2T, HA0HW, HK0NA, HR9/WQ7R, HS0ZIV, IR2M, IW1QN, IZ8GCE, JA3EGY, K4NC, K6MM, K9BTQ, LY200NB, LY2MM, LZ1BJ, MI0AYR, MJ0CFW, MO0FAL, OE7FMH, OG5N, OJ0R, OK2DL, OL2HQ, OK5T, OL2HQ, PA1NHZ, PA1PE, PA3C, PA3GND, PA9JO, PJ4/K5KG, PY1SX, R6AF/P, R7NA, RN4LP, RZ3EC, S57L, SP1MWK, SP5IT, SQ2NNN, SV0XCC/9, SV9AHZ, UA2FL, UA3ON, UA4HBW, UN5J, UR5LCZ, UX0HO, UX2KA, V55V/P, V73NS, VA7PX, VE3XB, VK1DI, VK2DX, VK4AFU,

W0EWD, W4AS, WH7Z, XE1KK, YO9IKW and ZP9MCE

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 6V7Z, DP1POL, ES3AX, EY7AD, HH4/W3CMP, HK1MW, J52HF, K5N, N5K, MO0OXO, OD5NH, OM3CAQ, PJ7DX, SV2ASP/A, TO5T, UA9MA, VP2MFF, WE8A/KH0, XV9MA, YB8Y and YT1E

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TC2, TURKEY (LH Op!). As a part of WEBLOTA (Western Black Sea Lighthouses On The Air Award) scheme, look for TC2ELH to be on the air between August 18-20th. Detailed information about WEBLOTA and the lighthouse is available on <www.qrz.com> and <www.tcswat.org>. Activity will be on all HF bands, and they will also try VHF-UHF. QSL via TCSWAT. (As they also QSL 100% via the Bureau, please do not QSL direct unless you are in a hurry!). Unfortunately, TC6LHW, also planned for the same weekend from the Civaburnu Lighthouse at &#65533;arsamba, Samsun, but it had to be cancelled. It will be activated
in the future.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS . John, W5JON, will once again be operating as V47JA from his Calypso Bay, St. Kitts, W.I., hillside vacation home (CQZ 8, IOTA NA-104, Grid FK87pg) between October 12th and November 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including 60m and using SSB. His activity will also include CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. Equipment will be: Kenwood TS-590S and a SB200 Amplifier and a 80-10m Multiband Dipole and S9 Vertical (18' and 31'); 6m will be a 3 element yagi. His XYL Cathy, W5HAM, will occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSLs go to his home callsign W5JON. Also via LoTW.

VK9C, COCOS (KEELING) ISLAND. A surprise activation last week by Allen, VK3BF, from here as VK3BF/VK9C will end very quickly (possibly on August 12th. Activity seems to be mainly on 20 meters SSB. QSL via VK3BF.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLANDS. Pekka, OH2YY, reports, "Last November a re-scheduling of flights, caused by bad weather, cut my operation at Christmas Island very short. I have now decided to return to Christmas and re-activate VK9XM in early October this year. The schedule for the operation is from Oct. 6th (ca. 12Z) to Oct. 12th (ca. 24Z). I will be active on frequencies 7-28 MHz. I will QSL 100% either direct or via SRAL QSL bureau. Direct QSL's to my home address: Pekka Ahlqvist OH2YY, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa, Finland."

VP9, BERMUDA (NA-005). Paul, W4/VP9KF (G4BKI),will once again be active as VP9KF from Baileys Bay, Hamilton Parish, between November 5-19th. Activity will only be CW on all bands and the JA greyline. QSL via W4/VP9KF: Paul Evans, 6809 River Road, Tampa, FL 33615. Please, DO NOT send to the VP9 bureau. Visit his Web page for more information, including logs,

propagation and operating times, at: http://vp9kf.com

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Jim, VQ9JC/ND9M, informs OPDX, "I'm back on Diego Garcia until mid November. The ham shack was closed for maintenance during my absence from the island, and I don't know yet when it will be re-opened. Hopefully, the closure is only temporary. In the meantime, I'm operating from two different locations on the island, both of which are in recreational parks. All of my operating is currently Field Day style in that I bring all my gear (rig, power supply, antennas, power and coax cables, keyer, laptop, and tools - about 40 pounds) with me in two back-packs. (I wear one and hand carry the other.) Being a tropical island, there's no shortage of trees, but I can only get the antenna up about 25 feet because of the density of the palms. I get the supporting lines into the trees using fishing line and lead weights and throwing them up by hand. (Think David and Goliath.) I'd be able to get the antennas up higher if I could use a slingshot or bow and arrow, but those are considered weapons here and are illegal under BIOT law. Since my two operating spots are outside in public areas, I have to set up the station and then break it down each day, which further limits my operating time to 1230-1615z on most days typically. My HF rig is an FT-897D (barefoot at 100W) and single-band dipoles. Most of my operating will be on CW, but I'll do SSB on occasion. I don't have a Rigblaster with me yet, so digital modes aren't available for the time being. My CW operating is normally with a keyer, but I have a retired shipboard hand key with me at all times and can easily switch to manual keying for SKCC contacts. I also operate through the LEO satellites with an FT-857 (TX) and FT-817 (RX) for duplex comms. The antenna is a 5-element Elk log periodic. All of my HF operating is from the island, so contacts are valid for DXCC and other awards that require that QSOs be made between land-based stations. My satellite operating is from both the island as well as the ship I work on. All QSOs that I make from the ship will be clearly identified as '/MM' or 'maritime mobile', and the QSLs will indicate that as well. QSL via ND9M."

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Chuck, W4XP, will be active as VQ9XP from the club station VQ9X from Diego Garcia Atoll (AF-006, WLOTA 1645, LOC MI62) between now and August 25th. His activity will be focused on 6 meters, but he will also be on the HF bands. QSL direct via W4XP and LoTW.

VU7, LAKSHADWEEP ISLAND (Reminder)[IOTA/Lighthouse/WFF Op]. Remember to look for members of the Bangalore Amateur Radio Club (VU2ARC) and a small group of amateur radio volunteers to be active as VU7M from Minicoy Island (AS-106, WFF VU-103, ARLHS LAK009 and also IND017 [to be deleted!!]) between August 13-22nd. Details on QRZ.com state that they will be "setting up humble HF station" and the QSL route is "DIRECT to the QSL Manager VU2JHM or through the Bureau". For more details (plently of URLs to look at) and updates, watch QRZ.com under VU7M.

W4DXCC DX CONVENTION. Mark your activities calendar for September 28-29th, for the Annual W4DXCC DX Convention held in Pigeon Forge, TN, at the Mainstay Conference Center. Ten Tec also sponsors a outdoor Hamfest at their plant in Sevierville, TN, on the same weekend. These two events

are just a couple of miles apart. The Hamfest is during the morning/ afternoon and the W4DXCC Convention is during the evening hours. For additional information about the W4DXCC DX CONVENTION, visit their Web site at: http://www.w4dxcc.com

W9DXCC DX CONVENTION (September 14-15th). Jim, N7US, reports: "This is a reminder of the 60th annual W9DXCC DX Convention which is a little more than a month away. We always have a great time. The presentations are interesting and focused on DXing. The prize drawings are fun. Several vendors and organizations will be exhibitors, and you can operate an FT DX 5000 which Yaesu has furnished for special event station W9D. We'll have QSL card checking for CQ and ARRL awards, including 160M and deleted countries. The CW copying contest will let you compete against the best, especially if our banquet speaker, Fred Laun, K3ZO, participates. The optional Friday afternoon class will get aspiring DXers up to speed (well, maybe not 35 wpm) in four hours. Our master of ceremonies, Jim O'Connell, W9MU, will keep us on track and entertained.
The hotel is conveniently located near major highways and O'Hare, so the convention is easy to get to locally or from anywhere else. But the best part of the convention is seeing old friends and making new ones. The Friday and Saturday night hospitality suites are a good opportunity to do that.
By registering now instead of the last minute or at the door, you save a few bucks and you enable us to plan for the right number of attendees. Registering is easy on our website, http://www.w9dxcc.com , and you can pay using PayPal for your convenience. Everyone attending the convention is expected to register, as the registration fees cover the costs of the convention, so please do the right thing and register.
You may receive an individual mailing as well as one or more from your reflectors, so sorry for any dupes. Please pass on the word to your local club and friends. We look forward to seeing you at W9DXCC....
73, Jim N7US"

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update/Press Release). Ed, VK2ARE, Australian Publicity Officer for the ZL9HR, sent out the following press release [edited]: "The team at the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia have all permissions including the landing permit to Campbell Island (OC-037) and are in the process of building out three shipping containers in Sydney, Australia, to be used for transport of all equipment and supplies required. The DX'Pedition will be on Campbell Island between the 28th of November and the 9th of December.
An international team of operators has been assembled for this event on the sub-Antartic Campbell Island which is located 650 km or 400 miles south of New Zealand in the Southern Ocean. This is the biggest DX'Pedition by an Australian club in 25 years and the promises to be the most sought after DX'Pedition in 2012 overall. The complete crew of 10 operators is as follows: Tommy/VK2IR, John/VK3YP, Les/W2LK, Gene/K5GS, Don/VE7DS, Istvan/HA5AO, John/9M6XRO, David/K3EL, Jacky/ZL3CW and Tom/KE4KY.
Keen DX-ers who may be looking to get ZL9 on a particular band and mode to move towards a DXCC or other award, should go to the survey on the website at ZL9HR.com and vote for which bands and modes they would like

to hear ZL9HR operating on!
When people think of DX'Peditions, they think of operators sitting under palm trees on exotic islands with the world of amateur radio enthusiasts trying to talk to them. While this is where every DX'Pedition tries to get to, there is a LOT of work that has to happen before this is possible! Months or even years before, the event planning starts and permits are requested, equipment assembled and transport both of equipment and operators arranged. Accommodation organized and all red-tape worked through. All of this requires a lot of work from the organizers and also requires finance in the form of contributions from those taking part in the event and from sponsors. Without sponsors no DX'Pedition can take place and the ZL9HR DX'Pedition is no exception.
This DX'Pedition is rightly being billed as one of the most important DXPeditions in 2012 and the HARAOA is very happy to announce that many of the sponsors that supported earlier DXPeditions are helping again with ZL9HR. There will be additional sponsors 'signing up' over the next few weeks, but we would like to thank those who have already committed to support the DX'Pedition. These are as follows (in alphabetical order);
Commercial sponsors: RF Solutions and Spiderbeam

Club & Organisations: British Colombia & Northwest Washington ORCA DX & Contest club, Clipperton DX Club, Danish DX Group, European DX Foundation, German DX Foundation, Lone Star DX Association, Long Island DX Association, Lynx DX Club, Mediterraneo DX Club, Northern California DX Club, Northern Illinois DX Association, Oklahoma DX Association, Pacific DXers, West Tennessee DX Association and 599 DX Association.

There are also currently 33 individuals who are sponsoring the event.

In addition to these sponsorships, the HARAOA ZL9HR DX'Pedition is delighted to have been granted an award from the prestigious ARRL Colvin foundation. The Colvin Award is conferred in the form of grants in support of Amateur Radio projects that promote international goodwill in the field of DX and the HARAOA are honoured to have received this award.
Please keep monitoring the DX'Pedition's website - ZL9HR.com for all updates as the preparations keep progressing."

** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

1493. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 12th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-12 20:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120812200003.BDF1D33C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2260
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 12th August 2012

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. The closing date for applications to sit this examination is Thursday, 20th September Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

IRTS Young Operators/SWL's

An IRTS team of young operators/SWL's will represent Ireland at the Youngsters on the Air event to be held over the week of 19 - 26 August in Eeklo, Belgium. Radio related events will be held during the week, including, kit construction, ARDF, dxpeditions, use of datamodes. contesting etc. Each country will also give presentations on youth in amateur radio in their respective countries. 9 teams from different European member associations of IARU R1 will be participating. The following countries are participating: Romania, Slovenia, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Ireland, Germany, Belgium and The Netherlands.

ON4YOTA will be callsign used for the week and we look forward to working many EI's.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The annual Vintage Valley in Inistioge, Co Kilkenny took place on Sunday last the 5th August. The SEARG display proved very popular with young and old alike. The display of old vintage radio's brought many people back down memory lane. People were also amazed at Mark's (EI7IS) ability of using CW to communicate with a station in France. SEARG

would like to thank Roy and the organisers of the Inistioge Vintage Rally for inviting us to put on the radio display and we look forward to returning in 2013. We also would like to thank Mick (EI7GH) for manufacturing and donating a 40/80 metre trapped dipole to the club. SEARG theory classes continue to run every Wednesday night running up to the next exam in October and our monthly meetings take place in Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. on the last Monday of each month. New members are always welcome.

North Cork Radio Group

NCRG will be activating Blackrock Castle as part of Cork Heritage Week on Saturday 18th August from 11am -4pm approximately.

We will also be operating from Roches Point Lighthouse on Sunday 19th August from 11am - 5pm approx as part of the International Lighthouse & Lightship weekend.

Expected frequencies to be used are 7.170 +/- QRM and 14.270 +/- QRM. We will be activating Blackrock Castle as part of Cork Heritage Week on Saturday 18th August from 11am - 4pm approximately.

NCRG are pleased to announce their annual Radio Rally & Electronics Fair to be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork.

Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free). Raffle tickets will also be available at the door.

The usual traders will be present. Also, due to high demand, anyone wishing to reserve a table, or anyone interested in setting up a stall, should contact Pat Thompson (EI2GHB) on 085 1407715 or Edwin Van Mierlo (EI2HEB) on 086 3885741, or alternatively via email at ei2heb /at/ ei1nc.com, as soon as possible to avoid disappointment

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Limerick Radio Club

A team of over 15 operators from Limerick Radio Club will activate Loop Head Lighthouse, in Co. Clare, Ireland, for ILLW weekend on 18 & 19 August 2012. 2 stations will be active on all bands on CW & SSB. The call sign is EI0LHL. Loophead Lighthouse is designated IE0009. QSL Via EI4GXB. Logs will be uploaded to Clublog & LOTW.

Cashota Ireland and Cashota

CASOTA- IRELAND and CASHOTA - Castles and Stately Homes on the Air, will be holding its 2nd annual Heritage Month, throughout the last two weeks of August to encompass the Irish heritage Fortnight and the whole of September for the many Uk dates and regions. This award is open to

anyone wishing to take apart either as an activating station or heritage chaser. All details of this event and CASHOTAS many other awards and events can be found at www.cashota.co.uk, with details for contacting the CASHOTA-Ireland Representative also being listed on the contacts page for Irish locations.

DX News

A DXpedition by a group of Indian operators to the Lakshadweep Islands will take place from 13 - 22 August. This separate DXCC entity will be remembered by older members as the Laccadive Islands. The operation will be based on Minicoy Island which counts as AS-106 for the Islands on the Air Award. The callsign to look for is VU7M and QSLs go via VU2JHM.

Ron DL4ME will be on holiday in Tanzania from 14 August to 3 September. While there he will operate as 5H3ME mainly on CW.

Dominic M1KTA will be visiting Senegal from 15 - 22 August where he will sign 6W/M1KTA. This will be followed by a trip to Gambia where the call will be C5/M1KTA from 22 - 29 August. QSLs go via his home call.

On 3 August the ITU updated its Table of International Call Sign Series to reflect a callsign change for Niue Island. In future calls will be issued with the prefix E6 instead of ZK2. Niue Island has a population of about 600 and lies approximately 1700 miles northeast of New Zealand. It is a self-governing island and has been in free association with New Zealand since 1974.

The special callsign M0RSE (M zero RSE) will be activated by Phil G3SWH on 18 - 19 August. Not unexpectedly CW will be used and further details can be found on www.m0rse.org . The log will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1494. eHam.net News for Sunday 12 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-12 22:15:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e84f8d58cf104c718e902@google.com>
Source record: 2261
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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In the Era Of Internet, Smartphones Ham Radio is Experiencing a Renaissance

Posted: 11 Aug 2012 05:43 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28795

As an experienced meteorologist and storm chaser, Gilbert Sebenste understands how vital reliable communication can be. "If I have a question like 'Does this road go through?' or 'What does this storm look like?', now instead of calling people on a cell phone I can call them on amateur radio," said Sebenste, who got his amateur radio license on May 31. "Many storm chasers have at least a technician class license," he said, referring to the easiest and most cost-effective class of license that the Federal Communications Commission issues to amateur, or "ham," radio operators. Sebenste is among the Americans rediscovering the enjoyment and usefulness of amateur radio and bringing unprecedented levels of popularity to the nearly century-old hobby. The number of licensed ham radio operators is at an all-time high.

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Coast Guard Oversees Rescue of Mariner in Hawaiian Waters:

Posted: 11 Aug 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28794

HONOLULU - The Coast Guard said it was coordinating the rescue of a mariner in distress approximately 287 miles northeast of Hilo Friday. Watchstanders at Joint Rescue Coordination Center Honolulu received an email report from an Amigo Net Ham radio operator that a mariner aboard the Australian-flagged sailing vessel Q-Wave was disabled and requesting assistance.

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Press Release: Simon Brown, HB9DRV, Comments on new HRD:

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28793

Simon Brown, HB9DRV, the creator of Ham Radio Deluxe, has made public his comments on the new releases of HRD.

1495. HOT SEX BED ROOM VIDEOS AND 200 BEST ACTRESSES PHOTOS s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-13 01:38:16 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
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1496. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 12 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-13 02:32:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614b3a21128204c71c81eb@google.com>
Source record: 2263
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Norfolk Amateur Radio CLub to welcome visitors at Happisburgh
Lighthouse ... - Norfolk Eastern Daily Press

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 09:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFQrfscgg2K7IylHDdncp5GxaD-zA&url=http://www.edp24.co.uk/what-s-on/norfolk_amateur_radio_club_to_welcome_visitors_at_happisburgh_lighthouse_open_day_1_1479244

Norfolk Eastern Daily Press
Norfolk Amateur Radio CLub to welcome visitors at Happisburgh Lighthouse ...
Norfolk Eastern Daily Press
The Norfolk Amateur Radio Club (NARC) will be running a special event
station at the 222 year-old working lighthouse using the call sign GB0HL
and visitors are invited in to the to watch them at work. The annual event,
which started in Scotland in 1993 ...

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Why were stages moved at fireworks? - Dubuque Telegraph Herald

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 01:58 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGtmhv5RlKcGK_skuGo1ZGrDwDf-w&url=http://www.thonline.com/news/tri-state/article_4156f711-b2cc-584a-8040-bd162c657fbf.html

Why were stages moved at fireworks?
Dubuque Telegraph Herald
Dont the radios they use use tower ham radio-type repeaters? Im a ham radio
enthusiast and could key up my radio in a vault, and the local repeaters,
including aircraft, would hear me. What is the real reason behind the
static and the move? Was it ...

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Floods in the Philippines hit Manilla - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 12:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHeBTIgHnW-L05VHKJR38N6QxgQEQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/floods_in_the_philippines_hit_manilla.htm

Floods in the Philippines hit Manilla
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Philippine Amateur Radio Association activated the Ham Emergency Radio
Operations (HERO) on two metres and 40 metres passing essential traffic

during the recent widespread flooding in Manilla. The news media reports that 66 died in the torrential ...

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1497. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 13 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-13 06:22:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51f987b89288504c71fb69a@google.com>
Source record: 2264
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Huntsville Hamfest Live broadcast

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 06:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357525-Huntsville-Hamfest-Live-broadcast&goto=newpost

We will be broadcasting the Huntsville, AL hamfest live on the internet at
http://w5kub.com on Sat Aug 18 and Sun Aug 19. Broadcasts start around 8:00
am central or 1400 UTC. Again we will be giving prizes to our viewers.
Also we will be broadcasting our 4 hour drive live that Friday morning
starting around 0800. Join our video broadcast facebook group to keep up
with all our fun broadcasts at
https://www.facebook.com/groups/279273778772594/

Tom Medlin W5KUB

1498. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 13 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-13 11:07:33 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf302d49d2f5082b04c723b2ce@google.com>
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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2E0EYP and M1EYP complete England!

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Father and son team Tom Read M1EYP and Jimmy Read 2E0EYP have 'completed England' in Summits on the Air

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Huntsville Hamfest live webcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YCMYlEdXzaY/huntsville_hamfest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tom Medlin W5KUB will be broadcasting the Huntsville Hamfest live on the internet on Sat Aug 18 and Sun Aug 19

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Want to talk to an astronaut?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PyR_LM-Jurw/want_to_talk_to_an_astronaut.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ATTENTION SCOUTS AND VENTURERS! Have you ever wanted to speak with an astronaut in space? Here's your chance!

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gxN7NR5FSe8/dxcc_report_1308.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5th-August, through Sunday, 12th-August there were 216 countries active

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Conway Reef DXpedition

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After many months of careful planning, we are pleased to announce that our preparations for a large multi-national Dxpedition to Conway Reef are going according to plan

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IOTA news from OPDX

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Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Kangaroo Inn Area School, Kangaroo Inn, South Australia, Australia

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An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Kangaroo Inn Area School, Kangaroo Inn, South Australia, Australia on 14 August

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Wada Elementary School, Nagawa Town, Japan

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An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Wada Elementary School, Nagawa Town, Japan on 16 Aug

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Advanced Course at Wythall starts 3rd September

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Wythall Radio Club (SW of Birmingham) will be running their annual Amateur Radio Advanced Class starting Monday 3rd September and every Monday until 3rd December with the exam being taken on Wednesday 5th December

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1499. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 August 2012

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1500. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 12th August 2012

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 12th August 2012

The news headlines:

* AMSAT-UK International Colloquium to visit Surrey Satellite Technology facility

* RSGB Convention Early Bird Bookings

* Castles & Stately Homes on the Air

The AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium, taking place 15-16 September in Guildford, will provide an opportunity to visit the satellite facilities in the new Surrey Satellite Technology Limited (SSTL) Kepler Building. The full presentation schedule is being finalised and will be published shortly. The Colloquium takes place at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ. Booking information is at www.uk.amsat.org/.

The RSGB Convention early bird bookings close on 14 August. Highlights of the programme that includes lectures on the HK0NA DXpedition can be found on the RSGB website. For bookings, visit www.rsgbevents.org.

As part of European Heritage Month, Bobby, MI0RYL will be activating New Grange/Knowth in Drogheda, Ireland on 18 August. Bobby hopes to mainly be on 40m/20m/17m/15m. This activation is part of the Castles and Stately Homes on the Air award scheme. See www.cashota.co.uk/.

We are now in the final week for comments on the Strategy and Governance proposals. Members can make any final comments in the new "Last Call" topics. The Contest Committee is starting a consultation on proposals for next year's General Contest Rules. For access and further information on both, please follow the "We need your Views" link on the RSGB's Home page.

Operations at 2O12L (Two-oscar-one-two-London) the flagship station celebrating the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games have been progressing beyond the expectations of the organisers. In the first 12 days of operation the station had made a remarkable 31,000 contacts with over 20,000 unique stations in 175 different countries. Demand to work the station is very high and pile-ups are fierce at times. The best two bands for world-wide communication have proved to be 20m and 17m, whilst many contacts with UK stations have been completed on 40m and 30m. The station remains open to the public daily from 10am until 4pm until 9 September. Further information about the station can be

found on the website at www.2012L.com.

It is intended that all three levels of the amateur radio exam will be available at the RSGB Convention over the weekend of 13 and 14 October. The Foundation and Intermediate exams will be on the Saturday and the Advanced on the Sunday. Check out www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention/.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 12 August, the Flight Refuelling ARS Hamfest takes place at Cobham Sports and Social Club Ground, Merley, near Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 3DA. Doors open at 0am and there will be trade stands and a car boot area. More details from Mike, M0MJS on 01202 883 479.

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Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 13 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. The 15th International EME Conference takes place and 17 and 18 August at Churchill College, Cambridge, CB3 0DS. Full details at www.eme2012.com.

On 19 August, the Rugby (Princethorpe) Annual Radio Rally takes place at Princethorpe College, Princethorpe, Rugby CV23 9PX. Doors open from 10am to 4pm, and admission is £2. Contact Tony, G0OLS on 07759 684 411 for more details.

Now for the news of special events The Sandford Mill Museum in Chelmsford will be open to the public today, 12 August, from 2 to 5pm. The museum is home to an extensive collection of historic radio equipment. Many fascinating radio exhibits are displayed there including spark transmitters from the late 1890's and a fully equipped ship's radio room. The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society will be operating GB1000MWT from the 2MT Marconi hut inside the museum, postcode CM2 6NY. Admittance and parking are free.

Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group will be operating GN0LIX/P from Chaine Memorial Tower in Larne, County Antrim between 18 and 19 August as part of the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. The station will be active on 20m, 40m and 10m SSB, conditions permitting. All QSL will be via the bureau. For further information, visit the Carrickfergus Club website at www.radioclubs.net/carg/.

Kent Weald Radio Club are operating GB1HA today, 12 August, from the Headcorn airfield, Kent. Operation will be on HF and VHF to demonstrate amateur radio during the military show that is taking place there over the two days. Further details can be obtained from Patrick via e-mail to palybl@btinternet.com.

Telford and District Amateur Radio Society will be operational today, 12 August, using the callsign GB0WPB for William Penny Brookes. The station is celebrating the life of Doctor William Penny Brookes, founder of the Wenlock Olympian Association, who organised the first Annual Wenlock Olympian Games in October 1850. The first Games, held in

October 1850, were a mixture of athletics and also traditional country sports such as quoits, football and cricket. The station will be based at Much Wenlock Scout Hut, Bull Ring, Much Wenlock, TF13 6HS. Three stations will be running, 2m/70cm using a vertical, 40 and 80m using a dipole and 20, 15 and 10m using a tribander. Fellow amateurs who happen to be in the area are welcome to visit and operate.

A pair of twinned Special Event Stations, GB175PO and TM175PO, will be running in Dover and Calais to celebrate 175 years of P&O. Operation starts on 11 August and will be running for 30 days. Both stations will have the opportunity to work /MM from ferries at various times during the operation.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources A multinational DXpedition to the Comoros in the Indian Ocean will take place until 20 August. The callsign will be D64K. IOTA reference is AF-007 and the QSL info is via IV3DSH.

W4XP is going to the Chagos Archipelago until 25 August. He will activate the callsign VQ9XP. QSLs go via his home callsign.

Chuck, W4XP, plans to be active until 25 August from Diego Garcia Atoll, IOTA reference AF-006 as VQ9XP from the club station VQ9X. The focus of his activity is 6m, he's also on the air on HF. QSL direct via W4XP and Logbook of the World.

Members of the Grantham Amateur Radio Club members will be active as GS0GRC from Bressay Isle, Shetland & Fair Isle (EU-012) from 14 to 19 August. QSL via G0RCI either direct or via the bureau.

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Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 13 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Now the contest news

The 5th 70MHz Cumulative Contest takes place today, 12 August, from 1400 to 1600UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The first of this year's Worked All Europe contests finishes at midnight tonight, 12 August. This month it's CW. Work non-European stations only. There are country multipliers and the added dimension of QTCs (reporting the details of previously held QSOs) enables those who choose to send and receive them to boost their score significantly. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

On 14 August the 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 3rd to Thursday the 9th of August, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 10th August.

Twelve groups were visible on the 3rd, all were small and mostly quiet. However, two new groups rotated into view, one on the 6th and one on the 7th. Until then solar activity was at low levels with only C class solar flares taking place. On the 6th activity increased to moderate levels when the only M class solar flare of the period took place. Numerous C class solar flares took place everyday, most were small and had no effect on propagation. Solar flux levels declined from 140 units on the 3rd to 129 by the 7th. Levels then increased slightly by the end of the period. The average was 134 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 9th was 128 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels showed little variation and averaged B5.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet but increased to just unsettled levels with an Ap index of 11 units on the 6th and the 8th. The average was 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 320 and 550 kilometres per second throughout the period. Particle densities were low except for a brief rise to 20 particles per cubic centimetre late on the 8th and for the first hour on the 9th, otherwise densities were low. Bz varied no more than minus and plus 8 nanoTeslas, less than that on the quieter days. Sporadic-E occurred most days up to 70MHz, however, openings are becoming less intense and shorter in duration.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the quiet side of the Sun will be rotating into view. Solar activity is expected to be low at first with a slight chance that activity could increase to moderate levels, though unlikely. However, later in the week activity could decrease to very low levels. Solar flux levels should decline and by next weekend be below the 100 mark. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet but towards next weekend a small coronal hole disturbance could increase activity slightly. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 22MHz for the south and 19MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 13MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 20MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 15MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1600 and 2100 hours. Sporadic-E should take place most days with openings becoming less intense.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

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and website links where known. [Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 70MHz Cumulative Contest from 3pm today, Sunday 12 August. On Tuesday it's the 432MHz UK Activity Contest from 8pm, and Wednesday sees G5FZ on the air plus a video night at the BSA Club. The club simplex net is on Thursday from 8pm on 145.375MHz, and the Saturday Surgery takes place in the shack on that day from 9am. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356. Wythall Radio Club is holding a club net on 145.225MHz today, Sunday. On Tuesday there's a committee meeting, while Friday sees a social evening in the shack. Next Sunday the club is running a special event station at Wythall Carnival. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819. On Thursday 16 August Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a natter night & QRP Equipment Display on Thursday. Saturday sees GB5ULA on the air for Lightship on the Air. More information from Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099. Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 13 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk. On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is outdoors at Saul Junction with a bring and share supper, so bring those radios and antennas. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime. On Tuesday Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on the 2011 New Zealand Earthquakes by Tony, G3RKL. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926. On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a kite night or an open forum, subject to the weather. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319. On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is discussing holiday plans and trips. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003. On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is watching a video on solar storms with G3UKV. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677. On Thursday Central Radio Amateur Circle is holding a night on the air on 145.300MHz from 8pm. Contact Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk. On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society has the 3rd round of the G4ZMC Trophy at Parkfield Rd, Newbold on Avon. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363. On Friday South Birmingham Radio Society is doing shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603. On Saturday 18 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding its summer social and treasure hunt. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND Denby Dale Radio Club is having a club night on Wednesday, then Saturday sees the start of the weekend event running GB2WHL for International Lighthouses weekend. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126. On Monday 13 August Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and continues its Advanced course. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036. On Monday 13 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Sheffield Northern RAYNET by Dave Briggs, G0JJR. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk. On Monday 13 August Workington and District Radio and IT Group is holding a club meeting and social evening. For more information contact Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092. On Tuesday 14 August Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having

a talk on the club website by Russ and Mark. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

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Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 13 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday 15 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding its final fox hunt of the year, with G4YTV. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573. On Thursday 16 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding an antenna clinic with Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999. On Friday 17 August Wakefield & District Radio Society commences its three day event on the air from the portable site at Woolley Edge. Contact Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Tony, GM4HTU on Thursday about a different type of oscillator. Saturday 18 August sees the start of the Lighthouses on the Air weekend event at Walker Park. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365. Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club is preparing for Lighthouse weekend on Thursday. The operating weekend of GB2LK, Lighthouse Killantringan, commences on Saturday. Details from Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580. On Tuesday 14 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192. On Saturday 18 August Ayr Amateur Radio Group commences its Lighthouse weekend event at Turnberry Lighthouse. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088. On Saturday 18 August Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club commences its Lighthouse Weekend operating GB2LBN at Barns Ness. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society will be holding Morse Code classes at Danbury starting Thursday 30 August at 7pm. If you are a beginner you will be made very welcome. Instruction is also given on all aspects of CW, which include good manners on the air; how to have that CW chat; DX manners; Contesting and operating skills on the pump key and twin paddle keying. Contact Andy Kersey G0IBN on 01621 868347. We start with clubs that have several events this week. Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday. Friday sees the commencement of the Lighthouse Weekend activities at Dungeness. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815. Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a 2m net on Tuesday from 8 to 9pm on 144.675MHz. On Thursday there's an 80m net on 3.570MHz from 1 until 2pm, then a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8 to 9pm. Sunday 19 August sees an 80m slow CW net on 3.570MHz. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816. On Wednesday 15 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is planning for Lighthouse Weekend on Wednesday, then on Saturday commences the weekend special event station at Shoreham Lighthouse. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232. Now we

return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 12 August Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is attending the to the Flight Refuelling Hamfest and Royal Signals Museum at Blanford. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737. On Monday Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding a barbecue at the QTH of G4RWW. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org. On Monday West Kent Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a natter night. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com. On Tuesday South Essex Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. Contact Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978. On Tuesday Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770. On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a demonstration by Jeremy of a new Braille terminal. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on datamodes, including a Fldigi Tutorial, at the Moose Centre from 7pm on Monday. On Tuesday the 2m net is at 19.45 and the 4m net takes place on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756. On Monday 13 August Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a portable RV. Details from Alan Wyatt G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com. On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night and Morse class. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206. On Tuesday Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a natter, barbecue and beer along with a table top sale. Contact Nick, 2E0FGQ, on 01749 346 320. On

Tuesday Plymouth Radio Club is having a natter night & is on the air. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com. On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048. On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and committee meeting. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends. On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939. On Thursday Yeovil Amateur Radio Club has practical CW training. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk. On Friday Cornish Radio Amateur Club commences its weekend event operating GX4CRC at the South West Steam Rally. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939. On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and the TARS 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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1501. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-048E - RAC Bulletin - New Ontario Section Managersannounced

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RAC Bulletin 2012-048E - RAC Bulletin - New Ontario Section Managers announced
2012-08-12

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I formally announce the four new Ontario Section Managers. These appointments/nominations are effective immediately, and will be merged into the normal nomination/election process at the end of a two year term.

Section Manager Ontario North Allan Boyd VE3AJB
A veteran of the Ontario Section Management team, Allan became a Ham in 1986 and holds advanced status and 15 WPM Morse code. He is a long time President of the Manitoulin Amateur Radio Club and a 31 year veteran of the OPP. Allan has been involved with ARES for many years and has held the position Emergency Coordinator until becoming Section Manager for Ontario in 2005. Allan holds many awards and certificates, and resides with his spouse of 30 years Judy in Little Rapids, Ontario.

Section Manager Ontario East Michael Hickey VE3IPC
Mike is a veteran with ARES in Capital Seaway District and has held positions of Emergency Coordinator, District Emergency Coordinator and most recently as Assistant Section Manager. Mike's passion is the promotion of "Mutual Aid" and he has run numerous sessions with local Hams helping them through the process. Mike's enthusiasm is only matched by his determination, which I have learned to respect since meeting him two years ago.

Section Manager GTA George Duffield VE3WJK
George has been a Ham for more than 20 years, and holds his Advanced and Morse Code endorsements. He has been President of the Peel Amateur Radio Club and is an active ARES supporter and has previous positions as AEC, EC, and ADEC. George was a respected CBC sports broadcaster for more than 25 years and is involved with many not for profit groups as well the Christ Church Anglican Church in Brampton where he has lived for more than 40 years. George is a widower with two children and five grand children.

Section Manager Ontario South Ian Snow VA3QT
Ian has been an Advanced Ham since 1971 and has served on the Executive of the Halifax ARC and as President of the Barrie ARC. Ian entered public service as a member of the Waverly NS Ground Search and Rescue Team as a radio operator and as an ARES DEC in Ontario. Ian is retired from an extensive Military Career serving as Short Service

Aircrew Officer, Radio Officer, Air Navigator and as an instructor at Air Force Headquarters, Winnipeg. Ian is a graduate of the Canadian Forces Command and Staff College and the University of Manitoba Transport Institute. He resides in Barrie Ontario and winters in Yuma, Arizona.

In making this announcement, I congratulate and thank each of you for your past service to the members of the Radio Amateurs of Canada and look forward to working with you as members of the Ontario Section Managers Council.

I am confident that you will each receive enthusiastic support from members of your new Sections, and welcome you each to join me and RAC President Geoff Bawden on a transitional teleconference this coming Wednesday at 7:30pm Eastern.

Doug Mercer VO1DTM/VO1DM CEC
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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1502. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 06 - 12 August 2012

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
06 - 12 August 2012

Solar activity was at very low to moderate levels. The summary
period began at moderate levels due to an M1 x-ray event at 06/0438
UTC from Region 1542 (S14, L=030, class/area 190/Dai on 09 August).
Associated with this event were both Type II (estimated shock speed
of 552 km/s) and Type IV radio sweeps and a non-Earth-directed CME.
Activity levels decreased to low from 07 - 10 August with only
low-level C-class solar flares observed. On 11 August, an increase
to moderate levels was observed as Region 1540 (S27, L=087,
class/area 110/Dso on 05 August) produced a long duration M1/2n
flare at 11/1220 UTC. The CME associated with this event was
determined to not be Earth directed. A return to very low levels was
observed on 12 August.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels during most of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels.
Predominantly quiet to unsettled levels prevailed from 06 - 09
August as solar winds speeds, as measured by the ACE spacecraft,
varied from 275 - 450 km/s. An isolated active period was observed
during 08/0000 - 0300 UTC in response to slightly elevated solar
wind speeds and extended periods of negative IMF Bz. Field activity
decreased to predominantly quiet levels during 10 - 12 August.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
13 August - 08 September 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at predominantly low levels from 13
- 21 August. An increase to low to moderate levels is expected from
22 August - 05 September as an active sunspot region complex returns
to the visible disk. A return to low levels is expected from 06 - 08
September.
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No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels through 15 August. An increase to moderate to high flux levels is expected during 16 - 24 August. Normal to moderate flux levels are expected during 25 August - 08 September.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominantly quiet levels during 15 - 18 August, 21 - 23 August, and 27 August - 08 September. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected during 13 - 14 August, 19 - 20 August, and 24 - 26 August due to recurrent coronal hole high-speed streams.

1503. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 13 August 2012

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Floods in the Philippines hit Manilla

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 10:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357451-Floods-in-the-Philippines-hit-Manilla&goto=newpost

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Nearly two weeks of monsoon rains across the Philippines main island of Luzon peaked with a 48-hour deluge that battered Manila and surrounding regions.

This was the worst rains to hit Manila since Tropical Storm Ketsana killed 464 people in 2009.

Eddie DU1EV had, through the PARA website, warned of the pending rains asking everyone to be prepared by monitoring the emergency frequencies of 7.095 MHz and 144.740 MHz.

Jim Linton VK3PC

Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee

and

Eddie Valdez DU1EV

Chief Operating Officer of PARA

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New - Modern Communications Receivers Book from KW7CD - Cornell Drentea

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 05:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357429-New-Modern-Communications-Receivers-Book-from-KW7CD-Cornell-Drentea&goto=newpost

This comprehensive 462 pages textbook and reference on the subject of radio frequency (RF) receiver design presents the concepts, mathematics and design for such systems. Chapters include discussions on superheterodyne receivers, dynamic range, mixers, complex coherent frequency synthesizers, automatic gain control and beat frequency oscillators and additional sections cover advanced topics like digital signal processing (DSP) and software defined radios (SDR) as well as electronic warfare (EW) receivers. Intended for electrical engineering students and engineers, this comprehensive volume contains 360 illustrations including complex block diagrams, photographs and schematics. Drentea is an electrical engineer with fifty years of experience in the field of RF engineering and has worked for the Military Avionics and Corporate divisions of Honeywell and Hughes/Raytheon Systems.

"Modern Communications Receiver Design and Technology is a top pick for any college-level electrical engineering collection, offering a solid sourcebook exploring the state of the art in communications receivers. From mixers, oscillators and system design to forthcoming receiver technology, this comes packed with specific technical engineering discussions perfect for college-level electrical engineering collections. A 'must' for any modern communications collection."

The Midwest Book Review

"This comprehensive and well illustrated text book is a delight to read, unlike my oId college text books. Mind you, the theory is complex, but for anyone wishing to dig deeper into what makes a receiver work and work well, this book will answer all questions the reader is asking. It is quite suitable as a college text book but appropriate for the beginners and old-timers as well.

Though each chapter is very comprehensive, the mathematics used to describe the various concepts gets right to the point and is not overwhelming, as it can be in other text books. Mathematical proofs are for mathematicians, not for me. The lack of proofs leaves more space for more usable information, and this book has plenty of that. With Cornell Drentea's marvelous style of writing, Receiver Design and Technology will educate, excite, and inspire many. This text book should be used on every college campus that offers such a course. There is a great demand for RF engineers today, and this book will undoubtedly inspire students to become engineers. While I can lament the fact that I didn't have a text book such as this one thirty years ago, I am happy to have this text book today."

Review by Bob Allison, WB1GCM, ARRL

Shipping Weight: 2.4 pounds

"It's always a pleasure to review a product or publication from a friend of MT, and Cornell's new book is a shining example."

"Drentea's work is a scholarly, definitive reference for setting the highest standards of receiver design, coupled with methods to accomplish those standards."

-Bob Grove, Monitoring Times Magazine

Hardcover: 462 pages

Publisher: Artech House; 1 edition (August 31, 2010)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1596933097 ISBN-13: 978-1596933095

Product Dimensions: 8.2 x 1.2 x 10.2 inches

Available from AMAZON and other stores

http://www.amazon.com/Modern-Communi.../dp/1596933097

1504. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 13 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-13 17:07:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30563913ecbf5604c728bad2@google.com>
Source record: 2271
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Kidsday in the Netherlands

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 02:20 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357549-Kidsday-in-the-Netherlands&goto=newpost

Youth camp in the Netherlands from August 14 to 17, 2012.

Modes: Digital modes. (RTTY and PSK).

For an overview see PF30CAVENTE.

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Huntsville Hamfest Live broadcast

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 06:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357526-Huntsville-Hamfest-Live-broadcast&goto=newpost

We will be broadcasting the Huntsville, AL hamfest live on the internet at
http://w5kub.com on Sat Aug 18 and Sun Aug 19. Broadcasts start around 8:00
am central or 1400 UTC. Again we will be giving prizes to our viewers.
Also we will be broadcasting our 4 hour drive live that Friday morning
starting around 0800. Join our video broadcast facebook group to keep up
with all our fun broadcasts at
https://www.facebook.com/groups/279273778772594/

Tom Medlin W5KUB

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Another new Light House - 7S7JAN

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 12:13 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357474-Another-new-Light-House-7S7JAN&goto=newpost

Jonas SA0AAZ and Carin SA0BAC is planning a new adventure. Now at light
house Lange Jan with call 7S7JAN in QTH N56 12 E56 24, JO86ee.

Looking forward to all QSO's

1505. eHam.net News for Monday 13 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-13 22:19:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51dd2372e174b04c72d145f@google.com>
Source record: 2272
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Norfolk Amateur Radio Club to Welcome Visitors at Happisburgh Lighthouse:

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 05:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28811

Norfolk's radio hams will be attempting to communicate from Happisburgh Lighthouse with fellow enthusiasts all over the world during the annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on August 18 and 19. The Norfolk Amateur Radio Club (NARC) will be running a special event station at the 222 year-old working lighthouse using the call sign GB0HL and visitors are invited in to the to watch them at work. The annual event, which started in Scotland in 1993, now includes more than 450 lighthouses and lightships in at least 55 countries around the world. The club will be running HF and VHF equipment, giving them the ability to contact other radio amateurs using a mixture of telephony and Morse code. In previous years, the club has managed to contact radio hams across the globe, with the height of the lighthouse and its proximity to the sea helping to launch the radio signals into the ionosphere. A special pictorial "QSL card" will also available to hams to commemorate each contact.

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Floods in the Philippines Hit Manilla:

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 05:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28810

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association activated the Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HERO) on two metre and 40 metres passing essential traffic during the recent widespread flooding in Manila. The news media reports that 66 died in the torrential rain and officials estimated 300,000 fled their homes in the capital city of Manila submerging 80 per cent of it. Eddie Valdez DU1EV, Chief Operating Officer of PARA said that HERO was on air from Monday night the 6th through to Thursday the 7th of August, including one of the ham emergency radio operators who found himself affected by the flood waters and fleeing his home after two days of operations. Eddie DU1EV said the sun finally, but only partially, showed up on the Thursday, with the floods receding in most parts. He said tonnes of garbage litters the roads, parks and drains in Manila and surrounding provinces. A big clean-up is under way. In the worst affected areas like Marikina City, the Metro Manila Development Authority said it would take about a month to clean and clear the drainage canals.

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Activating Little River Lighthouse:

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 03:27 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28799

The weekend of August 18 is the annual International Lighthouse and
Lightship Weekend: www.illw.net

1506. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 13 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 02:19:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1efd4ad90d5c04c7306e7f@google.com>
Source record: 2273
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Two pass ham radio exams - Brownwood Bulletin

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 11:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHA5ADS7Y5dj-3LfeXRqMENjEWX0A&url=http://www.brownwoodtx.com/news/community/image_8475d4a2-e570-11e1-9d24-0019bb2963f4.html

Two pass ham radio exams
Brownwood Bulletin
Don Fox (l) and Don Horton (r) sat for and passed the Technician Class Amateur Radio License Exam on Saturday, August 11, at the test session at the Red Cross building in Brownwood. They will be allowed to operate transceivers on the amateur radio ...

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Amateur FM Association Complete System Upgrade - Jamestown Post Journal

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 03:52 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEJErcR0TmIif78h1kpoi6xj2W3jw&url=http://post-journal.com/page/content.detail/id/608511/Amateur-FM-Association-Complete-System-Upgrade.html?nav%3D5004

Jamestown Post Journal
Amateur FM Association Complete System Upgrade
Jamestown Post Journal
Packet radio gives ham radio operators the ability to send typed messages over the airwaves via computer. The digipeater installed at the site acts as a store and forward terminal which, in conjunction with other similar digipeaters, extends the range ...

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Club sponsors site for FCC amateur radio license testing - Prescott Daily Courier

Posted: 07 Aug 2012 09:55 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHXTLN8y-Bf5qGzxOzdb3dvDYg5CA&url=http://www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID%3D1%26SubSectionID%3D1%26ArticleID%3D109522

Club sponsors site for FCC amateur radio license testing
Prescott Daily Courier
The location is the Jeep Posse Building in Pioneer Park, Prescott, behind the hockey rink, off Commerce Drive. The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club sponsors periodic testing and classes for all FCC amateur radio licenses. For more information or to pre ...

1507. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 14 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 06:28:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447862b390d1104c733eb78@google.com>
Source record: 2274
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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FREE Tailgate Party

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 08:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357579-FREE-Tailgate-Party&goto=newpost

This Saturday, Aug. 18. The Hoosier Hills Ham Club is having our FREE Tailgate Party from 10 am until mid afternoon. We will be having breakfast at the Gables that morning (Junction IN 37 & US 50) You are invited to drop by the club house with your old unused equipment and sell, swap, or buy someone elses old unused equipment. We are located at 1508 Rariden Hill Road, Mitchell, IN. (Turn west from Highway 37 north of Mitchell by Tieman Tire.) For a map to the Tailgate Party please visit the club's website listed below. Talk-in will be on 146.73 MHz (-) offset PL 107.2.

73 de KB9TMP for the

Hoosier Hills Ham Club

http://www.w9qyq.org

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Andover UK September boot sale

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 11:16 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357466-Andover-UK-September-boot-sale&goto=newpost

Just a quick heads-up. Sunday September 2nd is the autumn boot sale at Wildhern for the Andover Radio Club. Always well attended and a good morning out, the cake stall alone makes it worth coming!

Further info from me or from our website, arac.org.uk

David

1508. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 14 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 11:07:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d04462f8a0540d004c737cfbf@google.com>
Source record: 2275
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Amateur Radio CubeSats to launch from Vandenberg

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fEwx24CTohc/amateur_radio_cubesats_to_launch_from_vandenberg.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On August 14, 2012 an Atlas V rocket should launch a combination of 11
satellites from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California for the US
Government and NASA ELaNa university CubeSats

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Transmitter thieves strike in North Queensland

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BazkT68pHDc/transmitter_thieves_strike_in_north_queensland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

North Queensland stations Hot FM and 4RFM both had their transmitters
stolen last weekend

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Printable 13.560 MHz transmitters that cost a penny

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UYQw9givtMQ/printable_13_560_mhz_transmitters_cost_a_penny.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC report on radio transmitters for 13.560 MHz that cost just a penny
and can be printed using electronic inks

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GB0HL - Happisburgh Lighthouse open day

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gY4Cm9OqtSQ/gb0hl_happisburgh_lighthouse_open_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Norfolk Eastern Daily Press reports the Norfolk Amateur Radio Club will
be welcoming visitors at the Happisburgh Lighthouse open day

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Ham Nation - 10GHz Antenna Test

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tqOeHNCqzdg/ham_nation_10ghz_antenna_te

st.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gordon West WB6NOA and Julian Frost N3JF attended the San Bernardino Weak
Signal Society's 10 GHz and Above Antenna Test

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From 6WF Wesfarmers to the ABC

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/c7AtJdVISZA/from_6wf_wesfarmers_to_the_
abc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A scrapbook kept by 6WF founding engineer, radio amateur Wally Coxon VK6AG
(XYK in 1914), was the basis for this video presentation

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VK9HR preparations proceeding

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5cuZOtWKQ3w/vk9hr_preparations_proceedi
ng.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Preparations for the HARAOA ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island in the
Great Southern Ocean (IOTA OC-037) are on schedule for the activation dates
of November 28th to December 9th this year

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EME on a Shoestring - almost

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OKFR_Te83vg/eme_on_a_shoestring.htm?utm
_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A presentation by Bill Ockert, ND0B at Dayton 2012 on how to do amateur
radio earth-moon-earth radio signals and reasonably expect some success
with minimal equipment

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New Ontario Section Managers announced

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/csnIGMyjdts/new_ontario_section_manager
s_announced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I formally announce the four new
Ontario Section Managers. These appointments/nominations are effective
immediately, and will be merged into the normal nomination/election process
at the end of a two year term

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Your cellphone cant do this: Ham radio in the digital age

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_gXCS48Inhw/your_cellphone_cant_do_this
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Mountain Express reports on the activities of the Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society

1509. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 14 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 16:16:59 UTC
From: "Brother Jim ..." <jimbo@jimbo.com>
Message-ID: <PRuWr.1154600$8Z4.795603@fx18.am4>
Source record: 2276
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> Transmitter thieves strike in North Queensland
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sounds like my locals have been on holiday ....

1510. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 14 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 16:17:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e84f8aab30904c73c2457@google.com>
Source record: 2277
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Ham Nation 59: Meet The Net Control Operators

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 10:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357596-Ham-Nation-59-Meet-The-Net-Control-Operators&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 59: Meet The Net Control Operators is available for download and viewing at http://twit.tv/hn.

Visit an Amateur Microwave event, learn about resistors and more.

We also have a very important announcement about a contest for a new Icom IC7000 and antennas from Comet and Diamond.

1511. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 14 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 16:54:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e5f0f2456b804c73cabc3@google.com>
Source record: 2278
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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D64K Comoros Is. DXpedition by IV3YER

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 11:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357599-D64K-Comoros-Is-DXpedition-by-IV3YER&goto=newpost

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ZA/OK1DX ZA/OK1FCJ ZA/OK6DJ ZA/OL8R Albania

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 10:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357593-ZA-OK1DX-ZA-OK1FCJ-ZA-OK6DJ-ZA-OL8R-Albania&goto=newpost

OK1DX , OK1FCJ , OK6DJ will be active from Albania 27 September - 3 October 2012 as ZA/OK1DX , ZA/OK1FCJ , ZA/OK6DJ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-ol8r_albania/

73 Al 4L5A

1512. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1074.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 19:23:37 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <199498.10822.bm@smtp107.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2279
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1074.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1074.1
BID: $OPDX.1074.1
August 14, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, WA4DAN, AA4VK, F5NQL and VK2ARE for the following DX information.

CU1-CU9, AZORES (Press Release - Dated August 14t)[edited]:
"ALL NINE AZORES ISLANDS, CU1 THROUGH CU9, ACTIVATED AT ONCE
Are You Ready to Fly to Azores for Free by Making Nine QSOs?

Yes indeed, those of you willing to spend 24 hours or less on the radio are eligible to participate in an Azores lottery for two all-paid packages to the beautiful Azores Islands in the Atlantic, completely free of charge. The project is organized by the Azores-Finland Friendship Consortium in partnership with the Amateur Radio Associations of the Azores Islands and supported by the Azores Promotion Agency (ATA) and Azorean Airlines (SATA). Just look at <www.visitazores.com> and make up your mind.
Not many people know that the Azores consist of nine populated islands, stretching over a distance of 602 km (305mi) from East to West, next to USA and Europe. And it is not widely known that the Azores have their own airline (SATA) flying to each island, in addition to many destinations in Europe and North America. Each island has its own characteristics and its own blend and alone qualifies for your visit there.
While these islands count for a single DXCC entity, they offer three (3) IOTA groupings.
With this unique AZORES 9 ISLANDS HUNT, an invited international group of amateur radio operators together with resident Azores amateurs will be activating the nine islands, offering an opportunity to the world to contact these islands all at once over one weekend.
Activity Weekend - Saturday, September 29th, 1200 UTC to September 30th, 1200 UTC (24 hours). These stations will be active starting Friday, September 28th as soon as they become operational.
Frequency Windows
CW: 7000-7015, 18080-18090 and 14050-14065 kHz
SSB: 7175-7195, 18120-18135 and 14250-14275 kHz

Nine Islands and their Stations - Santa Maria, CU1ARM; San Miguel, CU2ARA; Terceira, CU3URA; Graciosa, CU4ARG; Sao Jorge, CU5AM; Pico, CU6GRP; Faial, CU7CRA; Flores, CU8ARF; and Corvo, CU9AC.
Operators and Island Hosts - Sergio/CU1AAD, Jose/CU2CE, Francisco/CU2DX, Guilherme/CU2IF, Domingois/CU3CS, Guilherme/CU4AB, Jose/CU5AM, Jorge/CU6AB, Manuel/CU7CA, Claudio/CU8AAE, Joao/CU9AC, Franz/DJ9ZB, Richard/DF9TF, Nigel/G3TXF, Michael/G7VJR, Diane/K2DO, Rich/KE3Q, Mike/KI1U, Marius/LB3HC, George/N2GA, Martti/OH2BH, Juha/OH8NC, Ghis/ON5NT, Carine/ON7LX, Claude/ ON7TK, Alex/OZ7AM, Kenneth/OZ1IKY, Yuri/VE3DZ and Ed/VE3FWA.
Two Hunt Awards - Those making a QSO with at least 5 different islands will have a corresponding number of tickets placed into a lottery for a free trip to the Azores (e.g. if you have QSOs with 7 islands, you will get 7 lottery tickets). Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all 9 islands will be eligible for a second lottery. The free trips are from the closest airport served by SATA; including flight, accommo- dation and transfers..
During or immediately after the weekend, the logs will be posted on Club Log to display your band/mode slots. The lottery will be drawn on October 15, 2012.
QSL Cards - All QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau network with special full-color cards. Direct QSL requests via Jose Melo, CU2CE."

CY0 NEWS RELEASE (Dated August 12th). The following is from the Sable Island Web page at: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com
"We are excited to announce that we have received approvals from 'Parks Canada', 'Canadian Coast Guard', and 'Officer-in-Charge, Sable Island' to operate amateur radio from October 8-17th, 2012.
We should note, however, that our permit to operate includes several new restrictions on antennas (in addition to the traditional restrictions for Sable). The purpose of these restrictions are to minimize the environ- mental impact on the migratory bird population that may be present during the period that we are on Sable Island.
We feel fortunate to have received the trust of 'Parks Canada' for this operation and consider it a privilege to be able to visit Sable Island. We will cooperate fully with these new restrictions to minimize potential environmental impact to the protected bird species.
In the days ahead, we will assess the impact that these additional antenna restrictions may have on our operations and any adjustments that we may need to take relative to antennas that we will take to Sable Island. Further details of our operating plans will be posted to <CY0dxpedition.com>.
This will be our third attempt to get to Sable island (previous attempts, December 2010 and December 2011)......
WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0"

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update/Press Release #5): "Preparations for the HARAOA ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island in the Great Southern Ocean (IOTA OC-037) are on schedule for the activation dates of November 28th to December 9th this year.
The team are delighted to announce a new sponsor in the Northern California DX foundation, this is in addition to the other sponsors with Spiderbeam sponsoring ZL9HR and supplying spiderbeam antennas and masts,

21 worldwide DX groups and the prestigious ARRL Colvin foundation award.
Of course we should not forget the 36 individuals who are also sponsoring
the DX'Pedition. Thanks to all of these.
The containers to carry all required equipment are currently being
prepared and loaded, ready to be shipped out of Sydney around the 15th
of September.
Please refer to the Web site <ZL9HR.COM> for the full, up-to-date,
information about this major DX'Pedition.
73 from Ed, VK2ARE, Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR"

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1513. eHam.net News for Tuesday 14 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-14 22:26:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a01bb6e8904c7414bcd@google.com>
Source record: 2280
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Amateur FM Association Complete System Upgrade:

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 05:53 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28815

Chautauqua County Amateur FM Association club members recently completed an upgrade to its emergency communication systems. An antenna was placed on the 150-foot tower and equipment installed that allows packet radio and provides better coverage to southern Chautauqua County and beyond.

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Why Ham Radio Is Still Handy:

Posted: 13 Aug 2012 05:53 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28814

"Ham radio has worked in emergencies where nothing else gets through. ...," said Ham teacher Norm Goodkin. "It's also helping build basic skills -- skills that are no longer taught in school -- improving not only our ability to communicate in disasters, but adding back some of the 'lost tools' that Americans used to be famous for -- the ability to do things ourselves." The tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001, and Hurricane Katrina in 2005 highlighted two phenomena common in disasters: Network communications tower sites were destroyed, and network traffic overwhelmed systems -- two distinct issues causing failure in both public safety, and consumer-oriented communications. Power failures cut off the Internet, and in New York, debris raining down onto ground-based infrastructure, like switching equipment, destroyed much of any communications left. However, in the early stages of both emergencies, a group of individuals stepped in and took over much communication with privately owned radio equipment, at no cost to the taxpayer.

1514. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 14 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-15 02:38:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934109d71b7b304c744d344@google.com>
Source record: 2281
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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New Ontario Section Managers announced - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 01:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFHaGR-iDtqTaeb0yN46HP2yKBoUA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/new_ontario_section_managers_announced.htm

New Ontario Section Managers announced
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
George has been a Ham for more than 20 years, and holds his Advanced and Morse Code endorsements. He has been President of the Peel Amateur Radio Club and is an active ARES supporter and has previous positions as AEC, EC, and ADEC. George ...

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Students quiz orbiting astronaut via live ham radio - Daily Press

Posted: 26 Jul 2012 12:09 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG_FTCF7YMf3RR2uBeRMnOLEZ7H8w&url=http://www.dailypress.com/news/education/dp-nws-ham-radio-space-0727-20120726,0,6734001.story

Students quiz orbiting astronaut via live ham radio
Daily Press
HAMPTON — As the clock struck 10:07 Thursday morning, students at the Virginia Air & Space Center began rattling off questions to an astronaut orbiting overhead. Through live ham radio, they had a direct connection to Sunita Williams, who blasted off ...

and more

1515. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-15 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1345010401@panix.com>
Source record: 2282
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1516. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 15 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-15 06:34:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614aa0d3d39104c7481ed3@google.com>
Source record: 2283
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Hosstraders Fest In NH?

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 05:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357686-Hosstraders-Fest-In-NH&goto=newpost

Is there still one going on? Been away for a few years and the last I heard was it was moved back to Deerfield, NH. Is there one this fall? If so when and where?

1517. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 15 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-15 11:11:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934100154f6ff04c74bfeb1@google.com>
Source record: 2284
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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New Draft PLT Standard prEN50561-1

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TZWdKk8j2CQ/new_draft_plt_standard_pren50561_1.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There have been concerns raised about the impact on the short wave bands of the proposed draft PLT standard prEN50561-1. Don, G3BJ, Former Chair of RSGB EMC Committee and RSGB Board member provides this update

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Amateur Radio CubeSat launch postponed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3IP5SnsU86w/amateur_radio_cubesat_launch_postponed_1508.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Space Flight Now site reports that the launch of the NROL-36 mission carrying amateur radio satellites has been postponed again

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Azores 9 Islands Hunt

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cIuNMQ00y-k/azores_lottery.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Are You Ready to Fly to Azores for Free by Making Nine QSOs? Yes indeed, those of you willing to spend 24 hours or less on the radio are eligible to participate in an Azores lottery for two all-paid packages to the beautiful Azores Islands in the Atlantic, completely free of charge

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Late rush for ILLW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/76UspIhv5_0/late_rush_for_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Despite the financial and political change sweeping many parts of the world, the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend organisers remain confident of it being another record year

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SEARG at the Inistioge Vintage Rally

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kVATWKuyuWk/searg_at_the_inistioge_vintage_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The annual Vintage Rally in Inistioge, Co Kilkenny took place on Sunday the 5th August. There was a large crowd in attendance and a great day was had by all

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NASA announces next opportunity for CubeSat space missions

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kVCbeSULmpo/nasa_announces_next_opportunity_for_cubesat_space_missions.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA is seeking proposals for small satellite payloads to fly on rockets planned to launch between 2013 and 2016. These miniature spacecraft, known as CubeSats, could be auxiliary payloads on previously planned missions

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Vanity call sign fee to increase September 4

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LKH8T0LJY4c/vanity_call_sign_fee_to_increase.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On August 3, the FCC announced via a Final Rule in the Federal Register that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from $14.20 to $15. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 4, 2012, the first day the new fee is in effect

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Happy Birthday, Ham Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Qu46-qgThj8/happy_birthday_ham_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Ham Radio Now show celebrates the 100th anniversary of Amateur Radio. Bake a big cake - it's gotta hold 100 candles, and feed about 700,000 people (and hams can EAT). Ham Radio turns 100 this year (today, more or less)

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Sable Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qsQxJPApQy8/sable_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The team are excited to announce that they have received approvals from 'Parks Canada', 'Canadian Coast Guard', and 'Officer-in-Charge, Sable Island' to operate amateur radio from October 8-17th, 2012

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James Millsap, WB4NWS, appointed Vice Director of the ARRL Southeastern Division

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Cfli8NW-ScM/new_arrl_vice_director.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has appointed James Millsap, WB4NWS, of Acworth, Georgia to the position of ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director, effective August 1, 2012

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Special event station R1000M and award 'Mordovia-1000'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vhcfvmm2h6k/r100m_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Between now and 30th September 2012, the R1000M station devoted to 1000-year Unity of the Mordovian People with Peoples of Russia State will be active

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W4DXCC DX Convention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DJ28vLP6AQg/w4dxcc_dx_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mark your activities calendar for September 28-29th, for the annual W4DXCC DX Convention held in Pigeon Forge, TN, at the Mainstay Conference Center

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W9DXCC DX Convention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WT9uhGwnWyI/w9dxcc_dx_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is a reminder of the 60th annual W9DXCC DX Convention which is a little more than a month away. We always have a great time. The presentations are interesting and focused on DXing. The prize drawings are fun

1518. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 15 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-15 16:24:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410dd70734c04c7505ca3@google.com>
Source record: 2285
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Price Edward Island, VY2

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 06:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357837-Price-Edward-Island-VY2&goto=newpost

Operators Bob WC3O, Bob K3RMB, Pat NK3P, Steve KB3EYY and Tony KB3HGJ will
be active from the PEI (IOTA: NA-029) Sep 26 to Oct 1. They will operate
from 80 to 10 meters in CW, SSB and RTTY as VY2/homecall. For the CQ WW DX
RTTY contest, the team will operate as VY2/WC3O. QSL via K3MJW.

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VP2MYL VP2MGZ Montserrat Island

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 04:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357830-VP2MYL-VP2MGZ-Montserrat-Island&goto=newpost

DL7AFS and DJ7ZG will be active from Montserrat Island 5-19 November 2012
as VP2MYL and VP2MGZ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...serrat-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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Lighthouses ota

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 03:53 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357828-Lighthouses-ota&goto=newpost

GB4LL will be operating again this year at LEASOWE LIGHTHOUSE in Wirral.

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Lighthouse weekend 2012

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 06:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357779-Lighthouse-weekend-2012&goto=newpost

PuertoRico Amateur Radio Team will be participating and activating the pr
0008 Faro Punta Tuna It was the last Lighthouse puertorico where there was
a presence of the USA Coast Guard and with beautiful view of the island of
vieques from the town of Maunabo located in fk78ba with his club wp4olb
will be in different bands callsing urge that are pending in the band of 6
meters in the evening hours are part of the press of the country visiting

hope to share with all radio amateurs Thank you
for the attention PRART making amateur radio

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PODXS APE Station

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 11:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357733-PODXS-APE-Station&goto=newpost

I will be Operating what is Called an APE Expedition with the PODXS Group.
APE= August PSK31 Expedition www.podxs070.com for more Information

If you are a COUNTY or GRID Hunter, I will be activating WARRICK County and
GRID EM68ib (rare?)

Location will be Scales Lake, Boonville, Indiana

My Setup will be:RIG:IC-ICOM 718 @ 20W ANT: BUDDIPOLE 40M thru 6M

Frequencies I will be using

40M 7.070

20M 14.070

and depending on Propergation

15M 21.070 10M 28.120 6M 50.290

This is NOT a Contest so WARC Bands maybe used as well

12M 24.920 17M 18.102

There will be 3 Stations Operating The APE Station N9JCA KA9NOO AB9JT

Operations will start on 40M Saturday Morning @ 0200 UTC until 0800 UTC

and then Saturday 1400 UTC thru Monday 0200 UTC using mainly 20M and 40M

Hope to see as many as possible on the Waterfall

Very 73's and Good Luck to all

N9JCA PODXS #797 LONP #165

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ARRL RTTY Rookie Roundup - August 19th

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 10:50 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357725-ARRL-RTTY-Rookie-Roundup-August-19th&goto=newpost

More details at http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup/

The Rookie Roundup is a contest aimed at Amateurs licensed for three years or less. In order for this event to be a success and a good experience to rookies, we need contacts from non-rookies and rookies alike. The exchange is Name + 2-digit year first licensed + (state/province/XE area/DX). This is a very fun event and only last 6 hours on Sunday.

1519. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 15 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-15 16:39:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51618a1a42e8b04c75091e6@google.com>
Source record: 2286
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Vanity Call Sign Fee to Increase September 4

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 06:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357780-Vanity-Call-Sign-Fee-to-Increase-September-4&goto=newpost

Vanity Call Sign Fee to Increase September 4

On August 3, the FCC announced via a Final Rule in the Federal Register that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from $14.20 to $15. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 4, 2012, the first day the new fee is in effect. Earlier this year, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order (NPRM), seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs.

The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new 10 year term. The first vanity call sign licenses issued under the current Amateur Radio vanity call sign program that began in 1996 came up for renewal six years ago.

The FCC is authorized by the Communications Act of 1934, as amended to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program. According to the FCC, the fees that are collected from vanity call signs are used to offset the cost of monitoring and researching new call sign requests to prevent the issuance of duplicate call signs. When asked why the fee is payable upon renewal, the FCC stated in 2011 that "[m]ore than likely, fees that are collected only on new issues and at the time of changes in call signs will not generate sufficient revenues to offset the cost of managing and monitoring this work at the Commission, the FCC stated in 2011. Therefore, we conclude that the basis upon which the Commission collects fees on Amateur Radio Vanity call signs will not change."

The vanity call sign fee has fluctuated over the 16 years of the current program -- from a low of $11.70 in 2007 to a high of $70 (as first proposed in the FCC's 1994 Report and Order). In Fiscal Year 2012, the FCC expects to grant 14,300 vanity call signs, bringing in $214,500 from the vanity call sign program, and looks to recover a total of $339,844,000 in fees from all the Services that it regulates.

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hf news

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 09:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357716-hf-news&goto=newpost

Hello All.

Region 1537 rotated of the solar disc yesterday which leaves five visible groups. Regions 1542 and 1543 continue to maintain their Beta-Gamma magnetic configuration. No new groups were numbered yesterday.

Four C class solar flares tool place yesterday, The largest was a C2 from region 1543 which peaked at 1240z. It is possible that an Earth directed coronal mass ejection occurred with this solar flare.

Image below from the SDO shows the C2 solar flare.

73 de jon m0hem

1520. [DXNL] DXNL 1793 (Aug 15, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-15 19:19:48 UTC
From: Fabian Kurz <dj1yfk@darc.de>
Message-ID: <20120815191433.GG32477@ampiainen.fkurz.net>
Source record: 2287
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1793 - August 15, 2012
DX Newsletter

a free and weekly service of
DARC Committee "DX and HF contesting"
(http://www.darcdxhf.de)

Editor: Johannes Amchewicz, DK8JB
(e-mail: dxnl@dxhf.darc.de)

translation by: Fabian Kurz, DJ1YFK
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CO, Cuba:
Frank, CO2IR, will be QRV mostly in CW during his vacation until
August 31st on 30m - 10m. QSL via bureau or direct via EB7DX.

DL, Germany:
On 2012-08-18 Helmut, DM2BPG and Erich, DL2HUC will activate the
castle Roseburg (DL-02137) between 07:00 and 14:00 on 40m
using the callsign DK0GYB/p with Special DOK 800ANHALT.
http://www.dk0gyb.de/

G, England:
Phil, G3SWH, will activate the special callsign M0RSE on 18/19
August in CW only on all bands.
QSL via G3SWH (bureau, direct, LotW, OQRS)
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/m0rse.html
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/decision.html
http://www.m0rse.org/

H4, Solomon Islands:
Ralph, H44RK, will, until late 2013, be QRV from Honiara on
the north coase of Guadacanal island on 40m to 10m in SSB.
QSL only direct.

ON, Belgium:
The special event station ON4YOTA (Youngsters On The Air)
will be on the air during the Youth Camp organized by UBA
and VERON from August 19th to 26th.
QSL via ON9CFG. http://www.iaru-r1.org

PY, Brazil:
Mor, PT7ZT, activates (16 - 19 August) the Itapaje lighthouse
(ARLHS BRA 057, DFB CE-02, DFCE CE-02, Admiralty G0114, WW Loc.
HI07ac) as PT7ZT/p in SSB only. QSL via PT7ZT.

SP, Poland:
The special station SN17EGS will be QRV from August 15 - September 8 from the 17th European Shooting Brotherhood Meeting in Tuchola.
QSL via SQ2BNM.

During August 17-19 there will be a tournamet at the Liw castle, where all knights brotherhoods from the Polish Kingdom and all other neighbouring kingdoms were invited. Fight will take place both on foot and on horseback until the last drop of blood.
The fights of the knights will be transmitted with the use of modern technologies by brother Mariusz, SQ8JCB brother Pawel, SP5SMY and other brothers with the necessary licenses.
Everything will be heard on short waves marked as SN0LIW.
http://www.sn0liw.pl/

V3, Belize:
Travis, AF6WU (V31WU) and Kjerstin, KJ0VDA (V31DV) are QRV from Caye Caulker (NA-073, WW Loc. EK57xr) August 16 - 20 on the HF bands mostly in SSB.
QSLs via AF6WU.

VQ9, Diego Garcia:
Jim, VQ9JC (ND9M) is back on Diego Garcia (AF-006) until mid November. The club station on the island was closed until further notice, therefore he's currently only QRV in "Field Day style" with monoband dipoles and 100W, daily between approximately 1230z to 1615z. Most operation will take place in CW.
QSL via ND9M.

African Tour (6W & C5):
Dom, M1TKA will tour West Africa as follows:
15 - 22 August 6W/M1KTA
22 - 29 August C5/M1KTA
He'll operate on HF and (if conditions permit) 6m.
QSL via M1TKA.
http://m1kta-qrp.blogspot.com/

Propagation forecast app:
DroidProp is a propagation forecast app for the HF bands, based on VOCAP (Voice of America Coverage Analysis Program).
It calculates the current and future HF propagation conditions on the device, an internet connection is only needed for updating the solar data. It's currently still in beta state but fully functional. Download (free) and information:
https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=info.schaeuble.droidprop

HK0NA LoTW:
Bob, N2OO, uploaded the HK0NA QSOs to LoTW. About 15.000 QSOs appear to have been lost in the process, but he's working with the ARRL to resolve this issue.

New RAC Sections for Ontario:
On September 1st, the following new sections will be in effect:

Ontario North (ONN)
Ontario East (ONE)
Ontario South (ONS)
Greater Toronto Area (GTA).
http:///www.rac.ca/en/news/bulletins/2012/Ont_Section_Boundaries._Ver_2.jpg

New Prefix for Niue:
On August 3d, Niue (ZK2) was issued the prefix block E6.

QSL-Status PJ7PT:
QSL manager Wojciech, SP9PT, reportts that all QSOs have been
uploaded to LoTW, all direct requests have been answered and
bureau cards are answered as they arrive. If someone is missing
a card, please get in touch by email: wklosok@rsi.pl

QSL-Info:
Phil, G3SWH, reports that regrettably, Andreas, 5R8FL, does not
use his QSL manager services any more as of August 2012.
http://www.g3swh.org.uk/

175 Jahre P&O-Faehren:
GB175PO and TM175PO are special event callsigns operated from
Dover and Calais to commemorate the 175th jubilee of the
P&O ferries. Operation will take place throughout August,
occasionally from the ferries.

Silent Key:
The well known DXpeditioner Alex, UA9YAB, passed away aged 50
during his DX-Pedition to Los Roques Island (SA-035) on August
11. He suffered from a cardic arrest when he was swimming.

UPCOMING CONTESTS

18.8. SARTG RTTY Contest (part 1)
18.8. SARTG RTTY Contest (part 2)
18./19.8. DARC HF-Fax-Contest
18./19.8. Keymen's Club of Japan Contest
18./19.8. North American QSO Party
19.8. SARTG RTTY Contest (part 3)

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

General: On the weekend 18/19 August the 15th "International Lighthouse
Lightship Weekend" (ILLW) will take place. More information:
http://www.illw.net
http://www.illw.net/index.php/entrants-list-2012

AS-060; HL4 Chollabuk/Chollanam-Do Province Group: Members of Gwangju
DX Club will be active as D7G from Kogum Island between August
17-19th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.

QSL via HL4CEL.

AS-171; 4S; Sri Lanka's Coastal Islands: Members of the Radio
Society of Sri Lanka will activate 4S7LGT from LH/Island
Barberyn (ILLW LK0002, ARLHS SLI-002, TWLHD WLH 4S-001, WLOTA 0024)
during the ILLW. QSL via 4S7LGT (direct or bureau).
http://www.rssl.lk/photo-gallery/lighthouse-expedition/

EU-002; OH0; Aland Island: Normunds/YL3DQ will, until August 20th
work from Aland Islands in holiday style as OH0/YL3DQ
on 80-10m in CW and RTTY. QSL via YL3DQ (direct or bureau)

EU-012; GM/MM; Shetland and Fair Isle: A YL expedition by Unni, LA6RHA
Chantal, PA5YL, Ruth, IT9ESZ/HB9LFM, Nicky, MM5YLO, Elaine,
2E1BVS and Denise, MM6ZDW is planning to activate Fair Isle
(IOSA SH-09, WLOTA 1319) between 16 and 22 August. Their call
will be GB2YLS and activity will take place on the HF bands in
SSB and CW. This operation includes a participation in the ILLW.
from Fair Isle South LH (ILLW UK0127, ARLHS SCO-079, BARLS A3750,
TWLHD WLH GM-028, WW Loc. IO99em, WAB NZ16).
QSL via MM5YLO (direct or bureau). http://www.radioclubs.net/gb2yls/

EU-040; CT; Estremadura Province group: Luis/CT1EJB and Armando/CT2JYX
will be active as CR5WFF once again. From August 17 to 20 they are
QRV from "Farol da Berlenga" (WCA CT-01001, DMHP LR-086). The QTH
is on Ilha da Berlenga (DIP ES-001, PIP NT-029, WFF CTFF-015,
WLOTA 1054). They will be QRV in SSB, RTTY and BPSK.
QSL via CT1EJB (direct or bureau).

EU-042; DL; Schleswig-Holstein State North West group: Mike/DL4ABO
will be on the air from Foehr Island (GIA N-017, WLOTA 4067)
August 18 to 25. Using the callsign DL4ABO/p he will work on
the HF bands in holiday style. QSL via Homecall (direct or bureau).

EU-047; DL; Niedersachsen State group: DA0L takes part in the ILLW from
the Borkum Lighthouse (ILLW DE0116).

EU-064; F; Pays De La Loire Region group: The "Radio Club Vendeen"
will activate the Sebastopol Polder Nature Park (FFF-218)
as F6KUF/P on August 20/21. The park is located on Noirmoutier
island (DIFM AT-020, WLOTA 1224). They are active on 80m - 10m
in SSB, CW and maybe PSK/RTTY. QSL via F6KUF (direct or bureau).

EU-101; OH6; Lansi-Suomi (Vaasa) Province group: Timo/OH6FMG
will activate Gashallen Lighthouse (ARLHS FIN-136; ILLW FI0015;
LOC KP02MN) on the ILLW. QSL via OH6FMG (direct or bureau)

EU-115; EI/GI/MI; Ireland (Ireland/Northern Ireland): Members of the
"Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group" will show up as GN0LIX/p
on the ILLW from Chaine Memorial Tower (ILLW UK0033, BARLS A6031,
ARLHS NTI-004, WLOTA 1439, WW IO74cu) in Larne. Depending on the
condx they will be active on 40m, 20m or 10m in SSB.
QSL via bureau. http://www.radioclubs.net/carg

EU-116; GD/MM; Isle of Man: Members of the "Dundee Amateur Radio Club"
(Paul/GM0BKC, Pete/GM1CMF, Colin/GM4JPZ, Scott/MM0SVK, Mark/2M0LEW
and Ally/MM0DRA) will be QRV as GT4AAF/P from 18 - 25 August
from the Isle of Man (WLOTA 0449, WW IO74sf). They plan to work
on all bands and modes. QSL via GM0BKC (direct or bureau).

EU-136; 9A; Kvarner group: Vincenzo/IZ2WMW will work from Krk island
August 18th to 25th using the callsign 9A/IZ2WMW. He will use
QRP equipment (FT-817 and Dipole) on 14.260 and possibly also
around 18.128 and 21.260 MHz.
QSL via IZ2WMW (direct or bureau).

EU-184; OH8; Oulu Province group: Members of the "University of Oulu
Technical Students Radio Club" will be on the air as OH8T
on August 17-19 from Hailuto Island and Marjaniemi Lighthouse
(ILLW FI0025, ARLHS FIN-028, TWLHD WLH OH-015, WLOTA 0580).
QSL via OH8T (direct or bureau). http://oh8ta.fi/english/

NA-026; W2; New York State group: The "Great South Bay Amateur Radio
Club" activates Fire Island (USi NY013S) and it lighthouse (ILLW
US0019; ARLHS USA-286) on August 18/19. They will sign W2GSB on
80 - 10 m in CW, SSB and PSK31.
QSL direct (see QRZ.COM) and eQSL/LoTW.
http://www.gsbarc.org http://www.fireislandlighthouse.com/

NA-099; KP3/4; Puerto Rico: The Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League,
KP4ES, plans to do island hopping for the ILLW. The following
new USi references will be activated: PR047S - Cayo Afuera/Cayo
Real; PR048S - Cayo de Tierra; PR049S - Isleta Marina
QSL via NP3O (see KP4ES on QRZ.COM).

NA-145; PJ5,6; Sint Eustatius and Saba Islands: Until August 18th
Frank/K3TRM can be worked as PJ5/K3TRM from Sint Eustatius
on the HF bands. QSL via K3TRM (direct or bureau).

NA-161; KL; Alexander Archipelago: From August 17th to 19th,
Michael/KL7XK, Charles/WL7CSJ and Heinz/VA7AQ will be active as
KL7XK/p, WL7CSJ/p and VA7AQ/NL5 from Pleasant Island. They plan
to work from 30m to 15m in CW and SSB.
QSL via Homecalls (direct or bureau).

OC-137; VK4; Queensland State (South Coast) South group: VK4ILH will
be used by Derek, VK4MIA, Paul, VK4FPDW, Brooke, VK4KDX, Graham,
VK4GRA, Ewan, VK4ERM, Catherine, VK4GH, John, VK4IO and Luke,
VK3HJ from August 17th to 19th from Moreton LH (ARLHS AUS-039, ILLW
AU0009, WLOTA 2987, Admiralty K2854.1, WW. Loc. QG62rx). It's
the first activiation of this lighthoise.
QSL via VK4MIA (direct or bureau).
http://www.capemoreton2012.com/
https://www.facebook.com/VKLighthouse
http://youtu.be/29CmOjSC3uI

OC-139; VK5; South Australia State East Centre group: Paul/VK5PAS,
Sasi/VK5SN, Dave/VK3VCE, Mark/VK5VW, David/VK5KC, Hans/VK5YX and

Lesley/VK5LOL will use the callsign VI5CW from August 17th to 20th
from Kangaroo island. For the ILLW they will activate the Cape
Willoughby Lighthouse (ILLW AU-0095, ARLHS AUS-051, TWLHD WLH
VK-017, WLOTA 0869, Admiralty K2112).
QSL via VK5PAS (direct or bureau), eQSL and LoTW.

OC-143; YB4-6; Sumatra Island: Zen/YB0MZI is currently QRV on the
HF bands from Sumatra as YB0MZI/4.
QSL nur direct (siehe QRZ.COM).

OC-233; VK7; Tasmania's Coastal Islands: Mike/VK7FB and Anne/VK7BYL
will be QRV from the weather station and the lighthouse of
Tasmania (ILLW AU0101, ARLHS AUS-160, TWLHD WLH VK-063, WLOTA
0288, Admiralty K3614) from August 18 - 25 (including ILLW).
The lighthouse is in the National Park Tasmania (VKFF-481).
Mike and Anne used to be lighthouse keepers in this LH in 1969.
They will be QRV on the HF bands with an IC7000.
QSL via VK7FB (direct or bureau).

OC-233; VK7; Tasmania's Coastal Islands: Tony/VK3VTH will be active from
Currie Lighthouse (ILLW AU0016; WW Loc. QF10wb) on King Island as
VK3VTH/7 from August 16 to 19. On the first two days he'll be QRV
for a few hours after 0500z, for the ILLW he plans to be on the
air from 0000z to 0700z on 40m and 20m in SSB.
QSL via Homecall (direct or bureau)

SA-036; P4; Aruba Island: Jack/W6NF and his XYL Shelley/K7MKL will
visit P49Y (WLOTA 0033, LOC FK52AL) August 15th to 21st.
They will sign P40NF and P40S. Jack's focus will be on the
highbands (and 6m) in CW, Shelly plans to take part in the
SARTG RTTY Contest.

SA-099; PJ2; Curacao Island: For the ILLW, Louis/PJ2LS activates the
Noordpunt Lighthouse (ILLW AN0002) using the call PJ2L on the
HF bands. QSL via EB7DX (direct).
http://www.pj2ls.com/LighthousePJ2L.htm

Non-IOTA: CR6LH - Cabo da Roca LH: Jose Luis/CT1GZB, Carlos/CT1CSY
and Rafael/CT2JXT plan to be QRV as CR6LH from Cabo da Roca
(ILLW PT0015, DFP FES-01, ARLHS POR 007, Admiralty D2108, LOC
IM58gs) for the ILLW. They plan to operate on HF in SSB, RTTY,
PSK31 and CW.
QSL via CT1GZB (direct or bureau).
http://cq7c.no.sapo.pt/split.html

Leuchtturm-Aktivitaeten

CW1R - Punta del Este: The "Radio Club Uruguayo" will use the callsign
CW1R on August 17 - 19 from Punta del Este Lighthouse (ARLHS URU
008, ILLW UY0005, LOC GF25ma) from 80 - 10 m with at least two
stations in CW, SSB and digi modes. This includes the ILLW.
QSL via CX1AA.

II1PV - Punta Vagno: ARI Genova club (IQ1GE) will take part in the ILLW
from Punta Vagno Lighthouse (ILLW IT0018, WAIL LI-006, ARLHS ITA
151, Admiralty E1230, WW Loc. JN44lj).
QSL via bureau or direct (see QRZ.COM)

PA25SCH - Scheveningen SW Tower: For the ILLW, PA25SCH will be QRV from
"Scheveningen SW Tower" (ILLW NL0025, WW Loc. JO22dc). Activities
are planned in SSB on HF, VHF and UHF.
QSL via PD2RKG (direct or bureau).

PA6FUN - Kaapduinen Range Rear: PA6FUN will be QRV for the ILLW from
Kaapduinen Range Rear high (ILLW NL-0045, ARHLS NET-049) and at
the same time from Kaapduinen Range Rear front (ILLW NL-0044,
ARHLS NET-047, WW Loc. JO11sl).
QSL via PA3HHT (direct or bureau).

PI4WBR/LH - Willemstad LH: PI4WBR/LH will be the call in the ILLW from
Willemstad (ARLHS NET-075). QSL via PA3FTX (direct or bureau).

TC2ELH/TC6LHW - Oeluece & Civaburnu Feneri LH: The TCSWAT team
and the "Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club" will
use the callsign TC2ELH from August 18-20 from Karadeniz Eregli
Oeluece Lighthouse (ARLHS TUR-044) and TC6LHW from Civaburnu
Feneri Lighthouse (ARLHS TUR-002). Both activities count for
the WEBLOTA award. QSL via TA1HZ (direct or bureau).
http:/www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA/index.html

WFF Activities

YOFF: YP7P and YR7WFF will be QRV from the Parang reservate (YOFF-373,
WW Loc. KN15ti) from August 17 - 19. From an altitude of 2228m
they will be QRV in CW, SSB and digital modes on HF, VHF and UHF.
QSL for YR7WFF via YO7MGG and for YP7P direct via QRZ.COM.

Calendar
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till 9. September 2O12L 1790
21. July - 9. September 2O12W 1789
1August-28October 3Z70ZK 1791
till 31. December 4O60GBP 1790
18.-19.08. 4S7LGT 1793*
14August-3 September 5H3ME 1792
till 2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
15. - 22. August 6W/M1KTA 1793*
till 31. December 7T50I.. 1788
till 31. October 8J0WAZA 1780
till 31. March 2013 8J1MBR 1788
till 31. December 8J1MST 1779
till 31. March 2013 8J1SPY 1788

till 30. September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751
till 31. December 8J6O 1773
till 31. December 8J6OKAJO 1788
till 30. September 8J7EQ 1773
till 31. October 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
till 31. December 8N1TDU 1780
18.-25.08. 9A/IZ2WMW 1793*
5. till 17. August 9H3EA 1791
till 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
till October 2014 9V1RM 1751
till September 2013 A52SV 1752
22. - 29. August C5/M1KTA 1793*
till Ende 2013 C91IW 1787
unknown CG3B 1786
till 31. December CN2YZ 1771
till 31. August CO2IR 1793*
17.-20.08. CR5WFF 1793*
unknown CR6BWU 1784
18.-19.08. CR6LH 1793*
17. - 19. August CW1R 1793*
till End 2012 CY0/VE1AWW 1784
till Mai 2013? D2SG 1748/1780
8. - 21. August D64K 1792
18.-19.08. DA0L 1793*
till 31. December DA0LSW 1785
11.-24.08. DG5LAC/p 1792
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
till 13. January 2013 DL125HHZ 1778
01January-31December DL1630Y 1760
till 31. December DL250COAL 1779
18.-25.08. DL4ABO/p 1793*
01January-31December DM100MGY 1763
01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763
till 31. December DM800ANH 1767
till February 2013 DP0GVN 1756
till 31. December DP87SIXD 1792
till January 2013 DQ0STRATEX 1770
till 31. December DQ125HSB 1763/1784
till 31. December DR50DTANGO 1791
2. July - 25. August E51AND 1786
unknown E51MGA 1786
till 31. December E720RS 1770
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till 26. August EM80L.. 1778
20.-21.08. F6KUF/p 1793*
till 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
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till 30. August GB175PO 1793*
till 23. August GB1HF 1791

till 9. September GB2012OLY 1792
till 9. September GB2012MV 1790
till 9. September GB2012OSP 1791
16.-22.08. GB2YLS 1793*
till 10. September GB4GBO 1790
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14.-19.08. GM4WAB 1792
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14.-19.08. GS0GRC 1792
18.-25.08. GT4AAF/p 1793*
till late 2013 H44RK 1793*
till 31. December HA50ZH 1780
till September 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
unknown HT9H 1792
till Ende 2012 ID9DXC.. 1755
18.-19.08. II1PV 1793*
01January-31December II6LN 1763
10.08.-03.09. IM0/I0PNM 1792
till July 2013 J28UC 1734
4. - 19. August J68HZ 1791
till November JW2US 1791
29March -March2013 JX9JKA 1769/1773
till 2013 KG4AJ 1756
10.-17.08. LA6Q 1792
17.-19.08. KL7XK/p 1793*
18.-19.08. KP4ES 1793*
till 31. December LX75RL 1788
till 31. December LZ1818MOG.. 1770
18. - 19. August M0RSE 1793*
till 15. August NR4CB 1780
Mai - October OD5/IV3XNF 1777
August OD5ARMY 1792
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July + September OE2XXM.. 1786
till 3. April 2017 OG3077F 1789
till zum 20. August OH0/YL3DQ 1793*
till 31. December OH150VR 1772
18.-19.08. OH6FMG 1793*
17.-19.08. OH8T 1793*
till 31. December ON500MERCATOR 1783
4April-31December ON100TT 1775
19. - 26. ON4YOTA 1793*
01January-31December ON65BR 1763
till 31. December ON85RCL 1790
unknown OX3LX 1790
01.07.-31.12. P3EU 1786
15. - 21. August P40NF.. 1793*
08.-16.08. PA/IZ3GNG 1792

18.-19.08. PA25SCH 1793*
till 15. August. PA6FUN 1790
18.-19.08. PA6FUN 1793*
18.-19.08. PI4WBR/LH 1793*
18./19. August PJ2L 1793*
till 18.08. PJ5/K3TRM 1793*
16. - 19. August PT7ZT/p 1793*
10. - 18. August R100WWS 1792
August R10RLHA 1791
till 31. August R1150V 1783
till 30. August R11GGGR.. 1784
August R1812SM 1791
12June-12September R200V 1783
15.07.-28.08. RI0K 1788
till Anfang 2013 RI1ANF 1765
till September 2012 RI1FJA 1741
till September 2012 RI1FJM 1741
till 31. December S555E.. 1772
1July - 31August SN0HAL 1786
17. - 20. August SN0LIW 1793*
till 2. October SN63DNI 1792
15August-8September SN17EGS 1793*
1. August - 2. October SN7PW 1791
10.-19.08. SP5OXJ/1 1792
08.-18.08. SV8/IZ7FLQ 1792
sporadically T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
till 30. September T6SS 1790
till Mitte September T6TJ.. 1789
18.-20.08. TC2ELH 1793*
till 31. December TC50TRAC.. 1770
30June - 30September TC6BLH.. 1786/1793*
08.-16.08. TK0/IZ3DBA 1792
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16. - 20. August V31WU.. 1793*
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17.-19.08. VA7AQ/NL5 1793*
17.-20.08. VI5CW 1793*
16. -19. August VK3VTH/7 1793*
17.-19.08. VK4ILH 1793*
till Mitte November VQ9JC 1755/1793*
09.-25.08. VQ9XP 1792
13. - 22. August VU7M 1792
18.-19.08. W2GSB 1793*
17.-19.08. WL7CSJ/p 1793*
till Mai 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730

10. - 17. August YB67RI 1792
17.-19.08. YP7P 1793*
17.-19.08. YR7WFF 1793*
till 2014 ZY2014WC 1774

QSL information

2O0CGT via 2E0CGT (B), eQSL
2O12L via G4WNF
3A/IZ8EGM via IZ8EGM (B)
3B8CW via NI5DX (B)
4L0CR via DL8KAC (d)
4S7LGT (B)
4X/DK7CM via DK7CM (B)
4X130RISHON via 4Z4KX
5B/G4MKP via M0URX (B), (L)
5B/RV1AW via RU1AE (B)
5Q0PI via OZ6PI (B)
8S7SIX via SM7FJE (d)
9A/S54O via S54O (B)
9A/S57SU via S57SU
9A8WTV via IZ5WTV (B)
9K2/A92KT via 9K2KH (B)
9M2IDJ via JA6IDJ
9M4SLL via M0URX (B)
6W/M1KTA via M1KTA
9A/IZ2WMW via IZ2WMW (B)
9A209A via 9A9A
A52SV via JA2PSV (L)
C5/M1KTA via M1KTA
CO2IR via (B), EB7DX (d)
CO6LE via EA5GL (d)
CR5WFF via CT1EJB (B)
CR6LH via CT1GZB (B)
CT7/DL1IAL via DL1IAL (B)
CT7/G3SED via G3SED (L), eQSL
CT9/OM7JG via OM7JG (B)
CU3YLA via CU3BL (B)
CW1R via CX1AA (B)
DA0L (B)
DL/9A2WJ via 9A2WJ (B)
DL/PA4ARP via PA4ARP (B)
DL4ABO/p via DL4ABO (B)
DM50KSJ via DL2VM (B)
DR50DTANGO via DG5MPQ (B)
EA6/DF2DD via DF2DD (B)
EA6/DL7MX via DL7MX (B), eQSL
EM200L via UT3LI (d)
EO5UFF via US5UFF
EY8/UA4WHX via UA4WHX (B), (L)

F/PA2M via PA2M (B)
F6KUF/p via F6KUF (B)
FG4NO via F4AVX (B)
FK8GX via W3HNK (d)
GB175PO via QRZ.COM
GB1HA via G4IMP (B)
GB2YLS via MM5YLO (B)
GB0WPB via M0PNN (B)
GN0LIX/p via GN0LIX (B)
GO2MP via N3SL (B)
GO7BTA via G7BTA (B)
GT4AAF/p via GM0BKC (B)
H44RK (d)
H44USMC via H44RK (d)
HA/ON6UU/p via ON6UU (B)
HB0/IK1AIL via IK1AIL (B)
HL5/DL2DUA via DL2DUA (B)
HT9H via TI4SU (d)
ID9A via IK2PGM (B), (L)
II1PV (B)
IT9/ON4ENL via ON4ENL (B)
J8/PE1IGM via PE1IGM (B)
J68HZ via K9HZ (B), eQSL
JW6TMA via LA6TMA (B)
KL7XK/p via KL7XK (B)
KP4ES via NP3O (d)
LA/DH0JAE via DH0JAE (B), (L)
M0RSE via G3SWH (B), OQRS
OE/DJ5RE/p via DJ5RE (B)
OE/OK1NOR via OK1NOR
OH0/YL3DQ via YL3DQ (B), (L)
OH0/YL3DQ via YL3DQ (B)
OL8M via OK1DRQ (B)
ON40KS via ON7MFY (B)
ON4YOTA via ON9CFG (B)
ON50HC via ON3AIM (B)
OX3LX via OZ1PIF (B)
OZ/DH0JAE via DH0JAE (B), (L)
OZ/DL3JJ via DL3JJ (B)
P29FR via I2RFJ (B)
PA6FUN via PA3HHT (B)
PA25SCH via PD2RKG (B)
PI4WBR/LH via PA3FTX (B)
PJ2L via EB7DX (d)
PJ5/K3TRM via K3TRM (B)
PT7ZT/p via PT7ZT (B), (L), eQSL
R200BB via RK3CQ (B), eQSL
RI1FJA via RX3MM (d)
SN0LIW via SP5SMY
SN0RX via SP8RX

SN17EGS via SQ2BNM (B), eQSL
SP2/DK2ZF via DK2ZF (B)
TC2ELH via TA1HZ (B)
TC6LHW via TA1HZ (B)
TM175PO via QRZ.COM
TO2U via VE3DZ (B)
UN/UA4WHX via UA4WHX (B), (L)
VQ9XP via W4XP (L), (d)
V31DV via AF6WU (B), (L), eQSL
V31WU via AF6WU (B), (L), eQSL
VA2SG/p via VA2SG (d)
VA7AQ/NL5 via VA7AQ (B)
VI5CW via VK5PAS (B)
VK3BF/VK9C via VK3BF
VK3VTH/7 via VK3VTH (B)
VK4ILH via VK4MIA (B)
VQ9JC via ND9M (B)
W2GSB (d), (L), eQSL
WL7CSJ/p via WL7CSJ (B)
XE1REF/XF1 via XE1REF
XP2I via OZ1BII (B)
YP7P (d)
YR7WFF via YO7MGG (d)
ZA1/YO2MBU via YO2MBU (B), (L), eQSL
ZA1TC via TA1HZ (B)
ZF2GG via W4SIG (B)

(d) = direct only (B) = Bureau ok
(*) = new Manager (L) = LoTW

* QSL received direct: 9Y4HQ (DF2RG, 9 days!), HK0NA

* Via QSL bureau the following cards were received:
4Z13AR, 5N6/YL2SW (YL2SW), 6V7D, 9A1AA, 9A0HQ (9A3JB), 9M8XXW (DJ8XW),
AN7ITU (EA7NL), AO1ANT (EA1GHT), DA0LCC, DF0WBI, DL5YC, DL0YLL,
DL0YLR, EA5ADF, EE5I (EA5KB), EO20X (UT5XA), HS0ZIN, MD/DK1SG, OH1MA,
OX4OK, PJ4D, R1961G (RV3LZ), RP65Z (RK3ZZ), RP66S (RV3LZ), RP90MP,
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http://www.eham.net/articles/28819

Predicting solar flares still remains a hit-or-miss task for scientists, but new research may shed more light on helping to predict just when the events could occur. Researchers discovered a new method to predict solar flares more than a day before they occur, which could help provide advanced warnings to protect satellites, power grids and astronauts. As the sun transitions into "solar maximum" next year, more solar activity is expected to take place. Some even worry about a massive solar storm that could even lead to wide-scale blackouts. The prediction system works by measuring differences in gamma radiation emitted when atoms in radioactive elements "decay," or lose energy. This decay rate is believed to be constant, but recent findings challenge that theory. The new technique is based on a hypothesis that radioactive decay rates are influenced by solar activity. This influence can wax and wane due to seasonal changes in the Earth's distance from the sun and also during solar flares. The researchers have been examining similar variations in decay rates before solar flares, as well as those resulting from Earth's orbit around the sun and changes in solar rotation and activity. "It's the first time the same isotope has been used in two different experiments at two different labs, and it showed basically the same effect," Ephraim Fischbach, a Purdue University professor of physics, said in a prepared statement.

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RSGB: Contest General Rules Proposals:

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 05:23 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28818

The RSGB is conducting a "Litmus Test" consultation into Contest General Rules proposals.
The consultation is open to all RSGB members. The consultation commenced on 10 August 2012 and will close at 23.59 BST on 16 September 2012. A similar process to our other Litmus Tests will be adopted whereby the discussion will be facilitated by moderators Ian Pawson, G0FCT and Don Field, G3XTT who additionally have the task of calling the consensus view a week or so before the end of the period.

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Vanity Call Sign Fee to Increase September 4:

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 02:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28817

On August 3, the FCC announced via a Final Rule in the Federal Register that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from $14.20 to $15. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 4, 2012, the first day the new fee is in effect. Earlier this year, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order (NPRM), seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs.

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James Millsap, WB4NWS, Appointed Vice Director of Southeastern Division:

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 01:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28816

ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has appointed James Millsap, WB4NWS, of Acworth, Georgia to the position of ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director, effective August 1, 2012. Current Vice Director Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, has resigned because she has accepted a job outside of the Division. Millsap's appointment runs until noon January 1, 2014.

1522. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 15 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-16 02:15:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93409c9ebd0e904c7589d07@google.com>
Source record: 2289
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio advances the art of the airwaves - Memphis Commercial Appeal

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 10:05 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHpts9pfB7nWgINyOXPGkU1m6r_rg&url=http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/aug/15/amateur-radio-advances-the-art-of-the-airwaves/

Amateur radio advances the art of the airwaves
Memphis Commercial Appeal
"When all else fails — ham radio does not" is the ARRL motto. In emergency situations, such as a natural disaster, Lane is trained to put into place preplanned actions with other amateur radio operators, hospitals, public health departments, the ...

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Tampa radio flea market this Saturday - Examiner.com

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 10:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEWTNC4kZbVganE0goS4mmNbvPejA&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/tampa-radio-flea-market-this-saturday

Examiner.com
Tampa radio flea market this Saturday
Examiner.com
Tampa Amateur Radio Club [TARC] is holding another quarterly radio hamfest and flea market at their clubhouse on N. 22nd Street in Tampa, just north of Sligh Avenue, on Saturday, August 18, 2012. The event starts at 8 AM for buyers, 7 AM for tailgate ...

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Amateur Event Continues to Pack 'Em In - Radio World

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 08:20 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHCmA-w_lqt_QNNaeEpTRahpSj-FA&url=http://www.rwonline.com/article/amateur-event-continues-to-pack-%25E2%2580%2599em-in/214938

Amateur Event Continues to Pack Em In
Radio World
Foot traffic was high inside Hara Arena, the venue for this ham radio show of shows, making it hard to get around, just like in the NAB Shows glory days. An untold number of dollars change hands here, both for the latest shiny new radio gear from ...

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Flagler County goes back to school Thursday - Central Florida News 13

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 09:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFdzBC_lcmuDcuBcJnFOZlC8OUYoA&url=http://www.cfnews13.com/content/news/cfnews13/news/article.html/content/news/articles/cfn/2012/8/15/flagler_county_schoo

Central Florida News 13
Flagler County goes back to school Thursday
Central Florida News 13
As a result of a proposal submitted by the Flagler Palm Coast Amateur Radio Club earlier in the year, Indian Trails Middle School (ITMS) is among the U.S. sites hosting an ARISS contact this fall. Eager to share the once in a lifetime opportunity with ...

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Nashob Valley radio club to make contact at lighthouse event - The Sun

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 10:29 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHk3Q1lJMNXSAZrVw0cIG7TLR6aPQ&url=http://www.lowellsun.com/webextras/ci_21315227/nashob-valley-radio-club-make-contact-at-lighthouse

Nashob Valley radio club to make contact at lighthouse event
The Sun
PEPPERELL -- The members of the Nashoba Valley Amateur Radio Club will head down to the Cape this weekend to operate out of the Cape Cod Highland Lighthouse for the 15th annual International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. Amateur radio operators from ...

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Radio enthusiasts aim to light up a Moray landmark - STV Local

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 10:51 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHWfhMdNshgXCappKVCEGlielJa0Q&url=http://local.stv.tv/elgin/news/features/149539-radio-enthusiasts-aim-to-light-up-a-moray-landmark/

Radio enthusiasts aim to light up a Moray landmark
STV Local
Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society (MFARS) members are manning a temporary broadcast station at the Covesea Café near Lossiemouth to mark International Lighthouse Day. Radio enthusiasts from around the world use the special day to acknowledge ...

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Amateur Radio CubeSat launch postponed - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 11:46 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEqNJ44StyIpllgR4w0Bwh_Jg9iWQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/amateur_radio_cubesat_launch_postponed_1508.htm

Amateur Radio CubeSat launch postponed
Southgate Amateur Radio Club

The Space Flight Now site reports that the launch of the NROL-36 mission carrying amateur radio satellites has been postponed again. Space Flight Now say: The United Launch Alliance Atlas 5 rocket and classified satellite payload that remain poised for ...

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Happy Birthday, Ham Radio - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 10:16 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFJG9rVVzsVPjlMm3uN4wxU9whKzw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/happy_birthday_ham_radio.htm

Happy Birthday, Ham Radio
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio News logo ... Ham Radio turns 100 this year (today, more or less). Radio, like just about every technical innovation, developed a few steps ahead of the regulations that eventually caught up with it. So there were hams before 1912.

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Leonid Soliterman - Wilkes Barre Times-Leader

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 05:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE4pjoymurFUaHRwDkDQMH4KqbzHg&url=http://timesleader.com/stories/Leonid-Soliterman,191664

Wilkes Barre Times-Leader
Leonid Soliterman
Wilkes Barre Times-Leader
Leonid was an avid amateur radio enthusiast and a highly skilled Morse code operator, had his USSR Ham radio license, call sign UA1LD, since early 1960s and subsequently obtained American license with the call sign of KB3CBF and later, as a special ...

1523. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-16 06:23:38 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120816062303.2320C12333973@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2290
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 33 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-08-16
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Frank Dl8YHR is looking for his upcomming EME expedition for a
6m antenna m2 6M5X, 2m antenna 12M2 and 70cm antenna 432-9WL.
Who can help him, please make your offer to Frank, DL8YHRFRANK@aol.com.

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: SP ; Square: JO84 ; start 2012-08-05 **

LATEST NEWS by DK2ZF, dated 2012-08-05:
Rolf appeared on 144 MS and made several QSO's this morning.
Sometime will appear on 144.377 and running 1st.

Rolf, DK2ZF will be qrv from Holiday Place in JO84TH Holiday style -
most of the time will be fishing.. hopefully succesful ! But will
join the Perseids !!! No internet - its an isolated site - 70.200
with QSX 69.950/990 for DL
SOURCE: tnx to Rolf, DK2ZF, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM: Scotland ; square IP90 ; start 2012-08-20 **

GM6VXB/P qrv from IP90NT

Will be in IP90 for four days (work during day)and will try to work MS
or E's (if conditions). Operations will be early mornings and late evenings work
permitting. KST is possible but intermittent so MS calls will be random on 370/QSY.

Only small setup, 120 Watt to 9 el yagi on 144 or 100 Watt to 5 el yagi on 50

SOURCE: tnx to Martin, GM6VXB, direct to MMMonVHf

** DXCC: EA8 ; Canary Isl. Square: IL38 ; start 2012-08-22 **

EA8 (IL38) back on EME
Im heading down to EA8 straight after the Cambridge conference,
I have fixed the 2m preamp/PA and hope to be qrv from IL38 on both 2m and 70cm. Aug 22-29th.
73 Dave G4RGK

SOURCE: tnx to Dave G4RGK direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2012-08-25 **

Andy DG3XA will be qrv from the Island of Amrum JO44EP
QRV 144 Mhz with 50 watts @ 3 ele / 6m with Dipol TRXV: IC 7000 very small rig, because i carry my rig by bike on the island.
SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZK2 ; Niue ; Square: AH51 ; start 2012-09-07

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012
LATEST NEWS from W7GJ, dated 2012-08-14:
The callsigns for the Niue JT65 EME operation next month will be:
E6M - 6m
E6RS - 2m
I have updated my website to include information on how to update your WSJT program to include these calls as well as include the E6 prefix:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
Please watch for us on EME! GL and VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: Moon-Net

NEWS by W7GJ, dated 2012-09-03:
Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could mark your calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the end of August ;-)
As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with me on 6m EME when I was in E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be active during our common moon windows - especially during the optimum days of the month for 6m EME.
The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email), and the QTH has not been finalized, but all the plane tickets have been purchased (as usual, any contributions are VERY welcome),
and the equipment (a KX3 portable transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works.
As soon as the license is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference for a takeoff shot
over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work NA stations during their

moonsets (I will be elevating),
so we will get the ground gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period, as we did together from E51 and 3D2;
Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS. More details will be posted on the above website as the departure
time at the end of August gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1524. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 19 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-16 09:37:22 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <c0e61c63-f73f-4106-a897-079d4dd4a688@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2291
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-08-19.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - August 19 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 19 2012.

Are You Ready to Fly to Azores for Free by Making Nine QSOs?

Transmitter thieves strike in North Queensland

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 19 2012.

Azores 9 Islands Hunt

Are You Ready to Fly to Azores for Free by Making Nine QSOs?

Yes indeed, those of you willing to spend 24 hours or less on the radio are
eligible to participate in an Azores lottery for two all-paid packages to the
beautiful Azores Islands in the Atlantic, completely free of charge.

The project is organized by the Azores-Finland Friendship Consortium in
partnership with the Amateur Radio Associations of the Azores Islands and
supported by the Azores Promotion Agency (ATA) and Azorean Airlines (SATA).

Just look at www.visitazores.com and make up your mind.

While these islands count for a single DXCC entity, they offer three (3) IOTA
groupings.

With this unique AZORES 9 ISLANDS HUNT, an invited international group of amateur radio operators together with resident Azores amateurs will be activating the nine islands, offering an opportunity to the world to contact these islands all at once over one weekend.

Activity Weekend

Saturday, September 29, 1200 UTC to September 30, 1200 UTC (24 hours).

These stations will be active starting Friday, September 28 as soon as they become operational.

Frequency Windows
CW: 7000-7015, 18080-18090 and 14050-14065 kHz
SSB: 7175-7195, 18120-18135 and 14250-14275 kHz

Those making a QSO with at least 5 different islands will have a corresponding number of tickets placed into a lottery for a free trip to the Azores (e.g. if you have QSOs with 7 islands, you will get 7 lottery tickets).

Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all 9 islands will be eligible for a second lottery.

The free trips are from the closest airport served by SATA; including flight, accommodation and transfers..

(southgate)

Happy Birthday, Ham Radio

The Ham Radio Now show celebrates the 100th anniversary of Amateur Radio.

Bake a big cake - it's got to hold 100 candles, and feed about 700,000 people (and hams can eat). Ham Radio turns 100 this year (today, more or less).

Yes I hear you say are they behind the times?

Definitely!

It actually in the USA the 100th Birthday of the A.R.R.L. NOT HAM RADIO!

Ham Radio Now = http://hamradionow.tv/

With a bit of poking around on wia.org.au we found material, now several years old of OUR 100th Celebrations, when the Wireless Institute of Australia turned 100 back in 2010.

http://www.wia.org.au/newsevents/centenary/about/index.php

The best (Dare I say it) site is on wiaq.com.au where you will see and hear material from both our 100th AND 80th birthday bashes!

http://www.wiaq.org.au/gkemp/enter.htm

Transmitter thieves strike in North Queensland

North Queensland stations Hot FM and 4RFM both had their transmitters stolen last weekend.

Southern Cross Austereo had its 91.3 HOT FM transmitter stolen from Carborough Range.

It is a repeater (pictured on the southgate amateur radio site) of the network's Emerald HOT FM service that covers the Moranbah township and nearby mines.

The local community station 4RFM also had its transmitter stolen at the same time from a nearby site.

The SCA transmitter taken consisted of a Crown Broadcast FM30 Exciter, PA1000 Power Amplifier, and PS1000 Power Supply.

Speaking through the Broadcast Professionals news site radioinfo.com.au Southern Cross Austereo Engineer Matt Paton asked everyone to keep a look out for the stolen equipment.

"As the market for broadcast transmitters isn't massive in Australia, if anybody gets offered a 'black market' deal, could they please let me know via email, or call the Moranbah Police on 07 4941 6200."

Community station 4RFM's transmitter was also stolen, while 2 way radio equipment was untouched, so the thieves seemed to know exactly what they were after.

The SCA service remains off air awaiting repairs.

Story courtesy of www.radioinfo.com.au

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Retaining New and Young Amateurs

Many clubs and individuals do a wonderful job of training and assisting new or young amateurs to achieve their first amateur radio qualification, this is mostly at the Foundation level.

As one of the WIA's assessment team, I often wonder if we are supporting our new and younger amateurs well enough after they walk out the door and into the wider world of amateur radio?

If the new operator does not have a member of the family or a mentor to assist with getting the gear together for the first station, I wonder if many will ever get or stay on air? This is where the support of a caring ar club can greatly assist the new or young operator.

Just as the initial introduction to ar is greatly enhanced by a welcoming peer, who can relate to and understands the perspective operator. After the assessment process, the need for ongoing friendly support is possibly even more important to ensure that the new or young operator feels welcome and develops their skill in the hobby.

If the interests are found to lie in the digital world, the Foundation Operator can find a lot of fun in receiving and decoding digital signals with a PC (or Mac) and the most elementary connections to the receiver.

Who will introduce then to this exciting simple connection?

Seeing the received text or fuzzy images appear on the screen may be just enough to encourage the new operator to want to improve the antenna or excite then enough to start to study for an upgrade of license. With help and encouragement many more may continue in the hobby well beyond the initial rush of excitement.

This has been Philip - VK3JNI.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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CRARC

CRARC run regular Foundation Licence courses and upgrade assessments every two months at Mt Mugga Scout Hall. Next Foundation course is scheduled for the 8th, 9th September.

It is still possible to complete individual Upgrade Assessments with prior arrangement if you are unable to attend these scheduled times.

If you know anyone that might be interested contact
education@crarc.ampr.org

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

AUG 26 VK2 Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club WinterFest CANCELLED.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

As part of the Ipswich and District Radio Club's 50th year celebrations, the club has secured a special call-sign - VI4WIP50 - Victor India 4 Whiskey India Papa 50.

Club members are currently putting together a roster to work the bands for the licence period from August 25 until September 8.

While the club won't be on air 24/7 during the two weeks approved by ACMA, there will be plenty of opportunities to work this very special call-sign.

At this stage weekends and some week-nights the club house will be open as members attempt to work as many stations as possible.

Listen up for VI4WIP50, from August 25.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

When you've been on air for many years it's easy to forget what it's like for new comers to the hobby. Take for example the simple QSL card. It's been around for a hundred years and its use is simple to the initiated, but to a newbie like me terms like QSL via the bureau or QSL direct are mysterious phrases with little meaning.

I had the opportunity to listen to VK6 QSL manager, Steve VK6IR, who spent an enjoyable half hour walking through the notions of what a QSL card means, how it works and how you participate.

Now I should preface this with any mistakes in this are mine alone. I'm hard of hearing, have a gamy leg and my memory is fading, or some such disclaimer like that.

So, in less than two minutes. A QSL card is like a post-card. It is sent between stations to acknowledge a contact. It generally contains your and their call-sign, the time, mode and frequency on which you spoke and a signal report. It's used as "proof" of a contact.

You can send it to the other
station direct by way of ordinary mail, look-up their call-sign in any number of online databases and include a self-addressed envelope and two US Dollars to pay for postage for a return card. If all goes well, you should receive a reply, that's the direct method.

Via the bureau is a coordinated effort between countries to group QSL cards together in batches. You send your cards in a box to your bureau which receives similar boxes from around the country. The boxes are split up and grouped by country and when a box-full is collected, it's forwarded to that country. At the other end QSL cards are sorted per call area and call-sign and forwarded on. It may take several months or even years for your cards to arrive.

Electronic QSL services are becoming popular, but some DX competitions don't accept electronic QSL cards, so check before you make 1000 contacts for a particular award only to find that your contacts don't count.

There's more to learn, where to get your cards, what they might look like, rare contacts and special routing, but that's a brief overview of the QSL system.

One mystery down, a million more to go.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

ITU ASSIGNS NEW PREFIX FOR NIUE: E6A-E6Z

On August 3, the ITU updated its Table of International Call Sign Series to reflect a call sign change for Niue. The island will now have the entire E6 prefix block.

Niue, an island located approximately 1700 miles northeast of New Zealand is a self-governing island nation that has been in free association with New Zealand since 1974.

Prior to the change, the island used ZK2.

New Zealand Radio Spectrum Five Year Outlook 2012-2016

The Ministry has released a draft Radio Spectrum Five Year Outlook for stakeholder feedback and comment.

The Outlook assesses the drivers for change in the sector over the next five years, and how these changes might affect the management of the radio spectrum over this period. It also outlines some of the priority work items for the Ministry resulting from these changes.

The Outlook is intended to:

Allow the Ministry to focus on its longer term goals and the challenges to be faced in managing the radio spectrum;

Increase transparency about the Ministry's thinking and about how spectrum users' licence fees are being expended;

And improve stakeholder buy-in into their future work programme.

It has been produced as a general, non-technical document in order to better facilitate engagement with the full range of ZL stakeholders.

Interested stakeholders will until 20 September 2012, to submit their feedback. Any comment on the information in the document, as well as information on issues that may not have been considered in the draft document, would be appreciated. The intention is that the final document will represent a shared understanding of the Ministry's priorities and work programme.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

EUROPEAN UNION ACCEPTS EMC DIRECTIVE THAT PROTECTS HAMS

It appears as if ham radio operators in the
European Union are safe from being treated as
sources of massive radio frequency
interference. On July 10th the Internal Market
and Consumer Protection Committee of the
European Parliament voted on a the new version of
the an Electromagnetic Compatibility directive
containing an amendment fostered by Germany's
Deutscher Amateur Radio Club and the Political
Relations Committee of the International Amateur

Radio Union to protect the rights of radio amateurs. The original draft amendment to the definition of an "electromagnetic disturbance" could in the worst case have led to the signal of an amateur station being treated as an annoyance or intrusion.

THE KH6HME BEACONS ARE WELCOME TO STAY ON MONA LOA

The late Paul Lieb, KH6HME's beacon system located at the 8200 foot of Hawaii's Mona Loa Volcano in Hawaii is welcome by the site manager to continue to operate from that location.

According to Don Mussell, the KH6HME beacons are located in the building that was formerly under the control of KGMB-TV. Over the past few years that site was taken over by Hawaii Public Radio, and put under Mussell's supervision.

Mussell says that Hawaii Public Radio is happy to have the beacons located at the site and will leave the operation and maintenance to a ham radio club that also operates equipment inside the building. It will be up to them to decide if the beacon operation will continue.

NANO COAX CABLES AND THEIR USES

Nano technology is in the news once again. This time as a way to store energy. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has more:

With all the research on nano-technology, perhaps we shouldn't be surprised that one of the latest involves coaxial cables on a nano-scale.

The main interest in the nano-coaxial cable is as an energy storage device due to the very high capacitance between the inner and outer conductor. A study conducted at Rice University found that the capacitance of the nano-cable is at least 10 times greater than would be predicted with classical electrostatics. The capacitance of the new nano-cable is up to 143 microfarads per centimetre-squared.

Study co-author Jun Lou notes that for energy storage, he can envision a large scale energy storage device consisting of millions of tiny nano-cables side by side in large areas. Lou also says that this cable might also be used as a transmission line for radio frequency signals at the nano scale. This could be useful as a fundamental building block in micro and nano sized electromechanical systems like lab-on-a-chip devices.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW.

It appears as if nano technology has come a long way since we began reporting on it only a few short years ago.

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RSGB

RSGB criticises PLT growth

The RSGB has issued a statement expressing grave concern at the continuing headlong rush to legitimise high levels of emission from PLT devices, in contravention of the Essential Requirements of the EMC Directive.

You can read the full statement on the RSGB website www.rsgb.org, click on Update on draft PLT standard prEN50561-1.

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IRTS NEWS DESK

IRTS Young Operators/SWLs

An IRTS team of young operators/SWLs will represent Ireland at the Youngsters on the Air event to be held over this week 19 - 26 August in Eeklo, Belgium.

Radio related events will be held during the week, including, kit construction, ARDF, DXpeditions, use of data modes. contesting etc.

Each country will also give presentations on youth in amateur radio in their respective countries. 9 teams from different European member associations of IARU R1 will be participating.

The following countries are participating: Romania, Slovenia, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Ireland, Germany, Belgium and The Netherlands.

ON4YOTA will be callsign used for the week.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Printable 13.560 MHz transmitters that cost a penny

The BBC have reported on radio transmitters for 13.560 MHz that cost just a penny and can be PRINTED using electronic inks.

The transmitters use Near Field Communication (NFC) technology and are seen as a replacement for Quick Response codes that consists of black modules (square dots) arranged in a square pattern on a white background.

Read the BBC story "Tiny transmitters that cost a penny to print unveiled" http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-19208112

Wiki on 13.560MHz NFC - "Most of the RF energy is concentrated in the allowed
14 kHz bandwidth range, but the full spectral envelope may be as wide as
1.8 MHz when using ASK modulation."
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Near_Field_Communication

RFID in Electronic Communications Committee Newsletter
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/february2011/ecc_newsletter.htm

(southgate)

OPERATIONAL NEWS COUPLED WITH A LIL NOSTALGIA THIS WEEK, I'M FELIX VK4FUQ

This weekend see's the International Lighthouse Lightship event
ALARA next weekend, August 25-26
then the WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK's Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Let's check in with Ed VK2ARE for the latest from Campbell Island

Preparations for the HARAOA ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island in the
Great Southern Ocean (IOTA OC-037) are on schedule for the activation
dates of November 28th. to December 9th. this year.

The team are delighted to announce a new sponsor in the Northern
California DX foundation, this is in addition to the other sponsors with
Spiderbeam sponsoring ZL9HR and supplying spiderbeam antennas and masts,
21 worldwide DX groups and the prestigious ARRL Colvin foundation award.
Of course we should not forget the 36 individuals who are also
sponsoring the DXpedition. Thanks to all of these.

The containers to carry all required equipment are currently being
prepared and loaded, ready to be shipped out of Sydney around the 15th.
of September.

Please refer to the web site ZL9HR.COM for the full, up to date,
information about this major DXpedition.

73 from Ed VK2ARE Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

So keep tuned as we bring you news as the Campbell's "are a coming".

New comers to the wonderful world of amateur radio are often surprised at all
the contests and awards the WIA administers on our behalf.

Let's check in today with Bob VK3SX the WIA awards manager.

I took up the position in April 2012 .

I was first licensed in 1979 as a Novice operator and upgraded to Full call in 1981 .
Over the past 33 years I have been chasing DX , and going from the Novice bands to the
Full call HF bands opened the DXing world to me , it was an exciting time during the 80's'.
Quickly I had confirmed 250 DXCC countries with a new one regularly in the log book , the
300 tally came along

but after that the new one got tougher. At present I have worked and confirmed all current 340 DXCC countries, in short
I have worked and confirmed them all.

2012 Has seen changes to the awards programme with it being run from our national headquarters,
all enquiries should be directed there at awards@wia.org.au . A restructure of the awards committee has
seen an important step forward as their collective experience in the DXing and Contesting fields are
world class , it's my privilege to have such people to rely on for decisions relating to our world class
awards programme . Congratulations also to Laurie VK7ZE being appointed the official ARRL cards checkerhere in VK .

2013 Will see changes to the structure of the awards programme making it easier for record keeping
and applicants both new and existing to apply and upgrade their current awards.
Also introducing for the DXCC awards , Wall Plaques for working and confirming 331 countries Honour Roll, and
340 countries Excellence Status ,and a 200 countries DX Certificate and Wall Plaque will be available for DXers who can
work and confirm 200 DXCC countries in a 12 month period as set by the awards committee.

A simple Worked all States VK will be introduced to encourage activity locally in VK amongst Fcall
and first time award chasers.
73's and Good DXing

Bob VK3SX

Thanks Bob and we will be listening out from more from the WIA Awards team
in upcoming broadcasts.

Now our Nostalgia piece, or as we like to call it " REWIND "

>From 6WF Wesfarmers to the ABC

A scrapbook kept by 6WF founding engineer, radio amateur Wally Coxon VK6AG
(XYK in 1914), was the basis for this video best found via abc.net

ABC celebrates 80 years on-air
http://www.abc.net.au/local/stories/2005/04/29/1356554.htm

Perth science-teacher-turned-history-author and founder of the Light and
Sound Discovery Centre, Richard Rennie, tells the story of how Perth's radio
station 6WF became the ABC's first broadcasting outlet in Western Australia.

Much of this is based on the scrapbook kept by the esteemed radio pioneer and
6WF founding engineer, Wally Coxon VK6AG (first licensed as XYK in 1914).

This talk coincided with the 80th anniversary of the ABC, and the Wireless
Hill Centenary Celebrations in 2012.

Richard's presentation featured antique receivers from The Vintage Wireless and Gramophone Club, to illustrate the equipment available during the pioneering era of radio in WA. The talk was given 18th July, 2012 at the monthly meeting of the Australian Museum of Moving Pictures and Television (AMMPT). The same presentation was made at a variety of venues, as part of Richard's role as an educator, particularly using his skills to inspire young people and young teachers alike.

VK6 Historical Photographs
http://www.vk6uu.id.au/historical-photographs.html

ABC celebrates 80 years on-air
http://www.abc.net.au/local/stories/2005/04/29/1356554.htm

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

Contact a lighthouse this weekend

This is the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend when hundreds of radio amateurs go portable for the 15th running of this annual fun event.

In Australia alone there are more than 50 stations registered along with those in 45 other countries.

Most of them issue special QSL cards for the occasion which seeks to promote the ancient structures to the general public as well as give publicity to amateur radio as a modern recreation.

Check out the website ILLW.NET for more details.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN Victoria are involved in 2 events during the next quarter.
If you are available to participate in any of these events, please get in touch with the contact listed for the event.

Saturday October 20th 2012
Mini Canoe Marathon
Echuca
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313
Email: gerwer01@gmail.com

Sunday October 21st 2012
Stockmans Rally
Big River
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565
Email: ifm@live.com.au

Rally Victoria is again being held in the forest area north of Warragul Friday 16th and Saturday 17th November.

Rally Victoria is an Australian Rally Championship and Victorian Rally Championship event.

On Friday, there will be 2 bush stages and on the Saturday, 5 stages. Each stage will be run twice.

As previously, Rally HQ will be at Lardner Park. Event commander is Chris VK3CJK. Communications will be required for logistics, safety, and scoring, with scoring and car tracking via 2m packet and other functions via 2m voice.

If you can assist with the event, could you please phone 51 955 247 in the evenings.

(John VK3ZRX)

Disaster hits Manila ? radio hams help

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association activated the Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HERO) with it passing essential traffic during the recent widespread flooding which saw 80 per cent of Manila under water.

Claiming 66 lives earlier this month, it was triggered by monsoon rains on the main island of Luzon. The downpour peaked with a 48-hour deluge that battered Manila and surrounding regions.

Eddie Valdez DU1EV, Chief Operating Officer of PARA said that HERO was on air from Monday night the 6th through to Tuesday August the 7th.

It included one of the ham emergency radio operators who found himself affected by the flood waters and fleeing his home after two days of operations.

Eddie DU1EV said the rain stopped the floods receded, with garbage littering the roads, parks and drains in Manila and surrounding provinces.

A big clean-up is under way. In the worst affected areas like Marikina City, the Metro Manila Development Authority would need a month to clean and clear the drainage canals.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee and Eddie Valdez DU1EV, Chief Operating Officer of PARA)

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- SUMMITS ON THE AIR
www.sotawatch.org
www.sota.org.uk

2 E 0 EYP and M 1 EYP complete England!

Father and son team Tom M 1 EYP and Jimmy Read 2 E 0 EYP have 'completed England' in Summits on the Air.

Tom and Jimmy can now claim to have activated each of the 176 summits currently in the English (G) SOTA Association, and six more that were

previously valid.

Tom, who had been activating in SOTA since 2002, needed to revisit many
of the completed hills after his son Jimmy became licensed in 2005 and
expressed his ambition to activate all the same hills as his dad!
Since then, the duo have visited all hilly and mountainous areas of England,
and completed all the SOTA regions:

Tom and Jimmy have also activated a further 104 summits in Wales, Scotland
and Northern Ireland over the last seven years, and retain ambitions to visit
many more, including those in the Isle of Man.

For more information about the Summits on the Air programme, please visit
http://www.sota.org.uk

(SouthGate)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

AUG 25 VK4 50 YEARS OF IPSWICH AR CLUB DINNER ITC

AUG 26 VK2 Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club WinterFest CANCELLED.

SEP 8 VK4 SARCFEST WOOMBYE. (Sunshine Coast).

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh' and always if the news room is to read your
item write in the 3rd person.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1525. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 16 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-16 11:10:50 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba614b3a308d6804c76018bc@google.com>
Source record: 2292
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Y1XnQgGbqN8/august_16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

D64K (Comoros) did well Thursday to Sunday along with H44USMC (special event callsign commemorating 70 years since the landing by US Marine Corps troops on Guadalcanal), and YB67RI (67th Independence Day of Indonesia)

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ILLW just around the corner

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Py1KNZIbomw/illw_just_around_the_corner.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

More than 440 registrations are ready in for the 2012 International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend organised by Scotland's Ayr Amateur Radio Group, which itself is GB2LT at the Turnberry Lighthouse

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The search for Gravity Waves

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SOV5YPAhcxM/the_search_for_gravity_waves.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

SciVee.TV has made available a documentary about the NSF Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory that hopes to detect gravity waves at 30-7000 Hz

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Special Event Station runs QRP

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Zy6eaVf4WZQ/special_event_station_runs_qrp.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB2012MS is running just 2 watts CW on 7.020-7.030 MHz until September 9 and hoping for some two-way low power (QRP) contacts

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Essex Advanced Revision Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vLIxrtUeg34/essex_advanced_revision_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next Advanced revision course run by the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) starts Thursday, October 25

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Radio enthusiasts aim to light up a Moray landmark

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TV broadcaster STV reports that the Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society (MFARS) will be operating from Covesea Café near Lossiemouth to mark 'International Lighthouse Day'

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EMC Journal

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/axHckTfVf-Q/emc_journal.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Issue 101 of the EMC Journal is now available for free download. The Banana Skins column describes the radio interference that resulted when a 'low energy' CFL light bulb was installed in a studio of the VCY America network

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Radio pollution caused by Powerline Technology (PLT)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iFoeAAwRqH4/radio_pollution_caused_by_powerline_technology.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

G0NIG has released a video showing the radio pollution that is generated by existing PLT devices

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Portable reception of VO52

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tI2tCOphRGo/portable_reception_of_vo52.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mal VK2MAL has produced a video showing reception, using a handheld, of SSB signals from the amateur radio satellite VO52

1526. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 16 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-16 16:33:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93409c97d451a04c7649a92@google.com>
Source record: 2293
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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T6LG Afghanistan

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 07:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357975-T6LG-Afghanistan&goto=newpost

LZ1CNN ex YI9LZ will be active from Afghanistan September 2012 - February 2013 as T6LG

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/t6lg_afghanistan/

73 Al 4L5A

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Punta Gorda Lighthouse ILLW Special Event Station

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 01:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357944-Punta-Gorda-Lighthouse-ILLW-Special-Event-Station&goto=newpost

Come join us on the air or in person from Punta Gorda Lighthouse during International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend.

We will be operating the high bands during the day and low bands through the night starting Friday the 17th 16:00 PST until Sunday the 19th 10:00 PST.

Because of other events and stations participating in amateur radio during this time frame we will have no set frequency for operation; we will be relying more on band conditions and free space...

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Attached Images

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(2.10 MB)

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Hawaii QSO Party

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 12:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357874-Hawaii-QSO-Party&goto=newpost

Hi all,Mark your calendars. TheHawaii QSO Party (HQP) is coming up soon. It starts Saturday August 25th 00:00 (Eastern Time) and runs 48 hours. Multi-ops stations canoperate the full contest period; single-ops are limited to 18hours.

For more information about the contest see thecontest web site at www.HawaiiQSOParty.org. And check out the HQP Facebook page for postings from hams looking for QSOs onparticular bands or modes.http://www.facebook.com/pages/Hawaii-QSO-Party/180142365450908?ref=hl

Aloha es 73 de Joe, AH0A/KH6

1527. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 16 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-16 16:42:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51868742d279304c764ba72@google.com>
Source record: 2294
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HF News

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 09:45 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357716-HF-News&goto=newpost

Hello All.

Region 1537 rotated of the solar disc yesterday which leaves five visible groups. Regions 1542 and 1543 continue to maintain their Beta-Gamma magnetic configuration. No new groups were numbered yesterday.

Four C class solar flares tool place yesterday, The largest was a C2 from region 1543 which peaked at 1240z. It is possible that an Earth directed coronal mass ejection occurred with this solar flare.

Image below from the SDO shows the C2 solar flare.

73 de jon m0hem

1528. eHam.net News for Thursday 16 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-16 22:09:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced198af7504c7694b1b@google.com>
Source record: 2295
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eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:43 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28829

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Teachers Institute Offers Instructors Wireless Technology Skills:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:41 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28828

This summer, the ARRL offered teachers the opportunity to learn
about ways to incorporate wireless technology into their classroom
curriculum through its Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology (TI).
Since 2004, the ARRL has sponsored TI sessions as part of its
educational outreach to schools.

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NOAA Updates 2012 Hurricane Season Outlook:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:43 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28827

According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
(NOAA), the 2012 Atlantic hurricane season has been "busy," with six
named storms since the season began June 1.

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The 2012 RTTY Rookie Roundup Is Here!

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:41 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28826

On Sunday, August 19, the digital modes return to the Rookie Roundup.
Created to give the budding
operator a place to learn about contesting at an easier pace, the
Rookie Roundup is a six hour contest open for all amateurs who have
been licensed for three years or less; if you were licensed in 2010,
2011 or 2012, you qualify as a Rookie. The Rookie Roundup is run three
times per year: SSB in April, RTTY in August and CW in December.

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VHF Pioneer Paul Lieb, KH6HME (SK):

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:42 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28825

Paul Lieb, KH6HME, of Hilo, Hawaii, passed away July 16. He was 84. Lieb -- an ARRL Life Member -- was best known for his VHF work and his radio beacon on the slopes of Mauna Loa where he worked the famous trans-Pacific tropo duct to the West Coast. Lieb achieved many tropo ducting distance records up through 5760 MHz and received the Dayton Hamvention Special Achievement Award in 1999 for "his pioneering and record-setting work in tropospheric ducting and VHF, UHF and microwave communications."

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International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend 2012:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:40 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28824

More than 400 lighthouses in almost 50 countries and territories -- from Argentina to Wales -- will be on the air for 2012 International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW), organized by Scotland's Ayr Amateur Radio Group (AARG).

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Amateurlogic 42 is Released:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:39 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28823

DVAP and 10 Minute Raspberry Pi Receipe.
Tommy demos the D-Star DVAP, George's Raspberry Pi setup instructions, Peter and the Raspberry Pi XMBC Remote, and Emile from the Cheap Old Man Minute.

1529. HOT VIDEOS SEXY PHOTOS WATCH AND FREE DOWNLOAD 21,

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 01:26:02 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
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1530. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 16 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 02:12:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51f994d91a3fb04c76caf0a@google.com>
Source record: 2297
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Testing and Classes - Brownwood News (blog)

Posted: 11 Aug 2012 12:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEvXczYmSRT7PDrg2ZRa8W8WIoCzA&url=http://www.brownwoodnews.com/index.php?option%3Dcom_content%26view%3Darticle%26id%3D9314:amateur-radio-testing-and-classes%26catid%3D36:life%26Itemid%3D59

Amateur Radio Testing and Classes
Brownwood News (blog)
The Brown County volunteer amateur radio exam team held a test session at the American Red Cross building in Brownwood at 10AM on Saturday morning, August 11th, with several participants in attendance. The group will also be holding a technician ...

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Norfolk Amateur Radio CLub to welcome visitors at Happisburgh Lighthouse ... - Norfolk Eastern Daily Press

Posted: 12 Aug 2012 09:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFQrfscgg2K7IylHDdncp5GxaD-zA&url=http://www.edp24.co.uk/what-s-on/norfolk_amateur_radio_club_to_welcome_visitors_at_happisburgh_lighthouse_open_day_1_1479244

Norfolk Eastern Daily Press
Norfolk Amateur Radio CLub to welcome visitors at Happisburgh Lighthouse ...
Norfolk Eastern Daily Press
The Norfolk Amateur Radio Club (NARC) will be running a special event station at the 222 year-old working lighthouse using the call sign GB0HL and visitors are invited in to the to watch them at work. The annual event, which started in Scotland in 1993 ...

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'You are Listening to Philadelphia' pairs city police scanner with ambient music - Newsworks.org

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 12:29 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNETdcvSnT7gqVB8J9ljTVVroymiRg&url=http://www.newsworks.org/index.php/local//item/42830-you-are-listening-to-philadelphia-pairs-city-police-scanner-with-ambient-music/

Newsworks.org
You are Listening to Philadelphia pairs city police scanner with ambient music

Newsworks.org
Ask a question. A scanner/Ham radio device like this one is often used to listen to police radio activity. A San Francisco man has made it so that simultaneous streams of music and police radio activity match up on a sharable site. (Carolyn Kaster/AP ...

1531. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 17 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 06:29:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec518701c20460204c7704758@google.com>
Source record: 2298
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Saratoga County NY Ballston Spa Hamfest Sept 8 2012

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 02:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358015-Saratoga-County-NY-Ballston-Spa-Hamfest-Sept-8-2012&goto=newpost

Hi Folks, hope to see you at the Ballston Spa NY Saratoga County Fairgrounds Sept. 8 2012. :)

Hamfest 2012

Saturday, September 8, 2012

Saratoga County Fairgrounds

Ballston Spa, NY

7 am -2 pm - VE Exam 9:30 AM - Fox hunt - Door prizes (grand prize - HF radio) -

New and used equipment - Food booth open all day

Vendors to include: (only confirmed vendors to be list)

Radio Oasis

Saunders Electronics

KJI Electronics

Tailgaters - 8x8 section included in your admission ticket - each additional space $5.00. Picnic tables available on first come first serve basis. Many covered buildings (with or without tables).

need directions?

For more information contact Darlene Lake, N2XQG

518/587-2385

Here is a short video of the 2010 Hamfest.

http://youtu.be/iIocFeM-CcI

73 K2HAT

1532. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 257

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 08:34:25 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <71147E2715414779BE5B7CF70CA837E2@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 2299
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 257

17 August 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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Debby says…my sincere apologies, I am seriously out of sync with the calendar that was created by Jamie Pye for HQ Info-line. I appeared to be duplicating HQ Info-line with the Official Broadcast, so have had to realign my dates. For further information on the next due date of HQ Info-line, please refer to housekeeping at the end of this issue.

Debby…ZL2DL

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Midland Council appointment ZL3PAH

Council is pleased to advise that by due election in accordance with 3.7 (e) of the NZART Constitution, the appointment of ZL3PAH Phil Holliday as Midland Region Councillor was confirmed at their on air meeting on Tuesday 7th August 2012.

Council would like to thank the three nominees whose names were submitted for this position and hope that they will consider being nominated in future elections.

Council would also like to welcome Phil to the Executive of NZART and look forward to working with him.

Table of International Call Sign Series

On August 3, the ITU updated its Table of International Call Sign Series to reflect a call sign change for Niue. The island will now have the entire E6 prefix block, that is Callsigns from E6A to E6Z. Prior to the change, the island used ZK2. According to the CIA World Factbook, Niue is about 1.5 times the size of Washington, DC, and has a population of almost 1300 people! This new allocation for Niue frees up the ZK2 callsign series for use here by AREC.

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Vaughan ZL1TGC

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FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 257

PROPOSALS

Branch 34 South Canterbury has applied for a 144.575 MHz Digipeater on Mount Studholme, located at TOPO50 CA18 352.25 531.31. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.

Branch 63 Upper Hutt has applied for a 6-metre Repeater on Mount Climie, located at TOPO50 BP32 798.83 423.94. The repeater transmit frequency will be 53.950 MHz and the receive frequency 52.950 MHz. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO NZART COUNCIL

At its August 7th on-air meeting, NZART Council approved the following applications, published as Proposals in previous editions of HQ Infoline:

Branch 18 Hutt Valley. Power increase of its 700 repeater at Fitzherbert, located at TOPO50 BQ32 644 351.

Branch 30 Otago. Relocation of its 830 repeater to Halfway Bush Road, located at TOPO50 CE17 010.08 178.44.

Branch 30 Otago. Relocation of its 146.25 MHz link station to Halfway Bush Road, located at TOPO50 CE17 010.08 178.44.

Branch 30 Otago. Power increase of its 665 repeater at Highcliff, located at TOPO50 CE17 132.79 162.56.

ZL2VBO. 144.575 MHz Digipeater on Mount Burnett, located at TOPO50 BN24 696 014.

ZL3ADT. 50.040 MHz Beacon at Rolleston Railway Station, located at TOPO50 BX23 503 737.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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FROM THE VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST COMMITTEE

REMINDER – BRASS MONKEY CONTEST LOGS

Time is running out for the submission of logs for the Brass Monkey Contest. Please emails logs to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

THE NEXT CONTEST

The next contest is the Microwave Contest, 921 MHz and up, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of October 2011. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the Field Day Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The Contest Rules are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to: zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

Or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

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ZL9HR DXPedition updates

When people think of DXPeditions, they think of operators sat under palm trees on exotic islands with the world of amateur radio enthusiasts trying to talk to them. While this is where every DXPedition tries to get to, there is a LOT of work that has to happen before this is possible! Months or even years before, the event planning starts and permits are requested, equipment assembled and transport both of equipment and operators arranged. Accommodation organised and all red-tape worked through. All of this requires a lot of work from the organisers and also requires finance in the form of contributions from those taking part in the event and from sponsors. Without sponsors no DXPedition can take place and the ZL9HR DXPedition to Campbell Island on November 28th. to December 9th. this year is no exception.

This DXPedition is rightly being billed as one of the most important DXPeditions in 2012 and the HARAOA is very happy to announce that many of the sponsors that supported earlier DXPeditions are helping again with ZL9HR. It is hoped that there will be additional sponsors “signing up” over the next few weeks, but we would like to thank those who have already committed to support the Dxpedition.

These are as follows (in alphabetical order);
Commercial sponsors:
RF Solutions
Spiderbeam

Club & Organisations;
British Colombia & Northwest Washington – ORCA DX & Contest club
Danish DX Group
German DX Foundation.
Lone Star DX Association.
Long Island DX Association.
Mediterraneo DX Club.
Northern Illinois DX Association.

There are also currently 24 individuals who are sponsoring the event. For the complete up-to-date list please refer to the ZL9HR.COM website.

The survey on the website is also getting a good response with keen DX-ers who are looking to get ZL9 on a particular band and mode to move towards a DXCC or other award voting for their preferences. Please don't miss out if you haven't already placed your vote please do so.

Preparations for the HARAOA ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island in the Great Southern Ocean (IOTA OC-037) are on schedule for the activation dates of November 28th. to December 9th. this year.

The team are delighted to announce a new sponsor in the Northern California DX foundation, this is in addition to the other sponsors with Spiderbeam sponsoring ZL9HR and supplying spiderbeam antennas and masts, 21 worldwide DX groups and the prestigious ARRL Colvin foundation award. Of course we should not forget the 36 individuals who are also sponsoring the DX'Pedition. Thanks to all of these.

The containers to carry all required equipment are currently being prepared and loaded, ready to be shipped out of Sydney around the 15th. of September.

The HARAOA ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island in the Great Southern Ocean (IOTA OC-037) is delighted to have been granted an award from the prestigious ARRL Colvin foundation.

The Colvin Award is conferred in the form of grants in support of Amateur Radio projects that promote international goodwill in the field of DX and the HARAOA are honoured to have received this award.

Preparations for this major DX'Pedition are on schedule for the activation dates of November 28th. to December 9th. this year.

73 from Ed VK2ARE Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

It's time for the 2012 Huntsville Hamfest!!

Please join us during our live, online broadcast of the Huntsville Hamfest this weekend.

To join the broadcast go to http://W5KUB.com where the fun begins! During the Huntsville Hamfest W5KUB will interview vendors regarding their latest products, and broadcast the announcement of the Young Ham of the Year. Special guests will include Bob Heil (K9EID) of Heil Sound; Martin F. Jue (K5FLU) founder of MFJ Enterprises; Kay Kraigie (N3KN), ARRL President; Charlie Emerson (N4OKL) representing Huntsville Hamfest; etc.

During the live broadcast, you will also have the opportunity to meet and chat with other ham radio operators from all over the world. During the 2012 Dayton Hamvention we had 47,400 viewers!

You could be the winner of one of 19 prizes, total value approximately $3500, which will be awarded during the broadcast! These prizes are made possible because of our relationship with partners; such as, GigaParts, Huntsville Hamfest Prize Committee, Ten-Tec, NCG Company, Kantronics, MP Antenna, ARRL, MFJ, and many hams which have donated individual prizes. In the past year over $10,000 in prizes have been awarded! Of course, no purchase is necessary to win a prize. W5KUB is not affiliated with any products or companies and does not sell any products or services.

Huntsville Hamfest broadcast hours:

a.. Friday, August 17: 1400 UTC (9:00 AM CT) drive from Memphis to Huntsville (4 hrs) and set up
b.. Saturday, August 18: 1500 UTC - 2230 UTC (9:00 AM - 4:30 PM CT) Huntsville Hamfest
c.. Sunday, August 19: 1500 UTC - 2100 UTC (9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CT) Huntsville Hamfest
d.. Sunday, August 19: 2100 UTC (3:00 PM CT) drive from Huntsville to Memphis (4 hrs)
Please join our group on Facebook at

https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/ to keep up with us year-round.

Also, please help spread the word by posting this announcement in Facebook and forwarding this message to your ham radio friends that may not have received this message!

We'll 'see' you in Huntsville!

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Tom Medlin, W5KUB
http://w5kub.com

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Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Sept 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Sept 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 26th August. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 7th September 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 6th September 2012.

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http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

1533. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 17 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 11:09:42 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec511e384e3b60a04c7743160@google.com>
Source record: 2300
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Lighthouses everywhere this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CjZjrgrebpg/lighthouses_everywhere_this_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Are we headed for a new record number of of registrations for the 15th
International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend? Better than last year at
470 and a far cry from the first international event with 158 registered

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Propagation forecast app

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KIE_xktjtro/propagation_forecast_app.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DroidProp is a propagation forecast app for the HF bands, based on VOCAP
(Voice of America Coverage Analysis Program)

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Retaining New and Young Amateurs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8BffKxAccwY/retaining_new_and_young_amateurs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The WIA highlight the need to support the new generation of radio amateurs
once they have got their licenses

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AmateurLogic.TV 42 DVAP and 10 Minute Raspberry Pi

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/psLLi0N7cjQ/amateurlogic_tv_42.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DVAP and 10 Minute Raspberry Pi Recipe. Tommy demos the D-Star DVAP,
George’s Raspberry Pi setup instructions, Peter and the XMBC Remote, and
Emile from the Cheap Old Man Minute

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GB2EIJ Essex International Jamboree

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hPqNUUj8hfY/gb2eij_essex_international_jamboree_1708.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Essex International Jamboree is taking place August 18 to 25 located
just outside the City of Chelmsford. Richard G7BIV has sent this
information on behalf of the team operating the amateur radio station GB2EIJ

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/p_9ZJAUFScg/august_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Urgent help needed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tmDYiNIaj4s/urgent_help_needed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DX World.net reports on the sad news of the recent death of Alex, UA9YAB.
Unfortunately, Alex did not take out insurance cover for his time away.
Thus, his family urgently need assistance in raising funds to have his body
returned to Russia from Venezuela, and for funeral arrangements

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Puerto Rico's Morrillos lighthouse hits the airwaves

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P0DBiVEzgfg/np3m_in_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Western Amateur Radio Club (NP3M) is pleased to notify to all friends
and colleagues from the world of amateur radio that we will be
participating in the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend 2012,
operating from of the Morrillos lighthouse at Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

1534. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1827 - August 17 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 12:06:31 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120817090003.9932B33C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2201
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1827 - August 17 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1827 with a release date of August 17 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Hams respond as flooding hits the Philippines; e-mail from a net saves a sailors life; a new source of interference to the H-F bands is discovered, WWVB to begin Phase Modulation test broadcasts on August 21st and Morse code is now on Mars. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1827 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS RESPOND AS FLOODING HITS THE PHILIPPINES

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association known as PARA activated its Ham Emergency Radio Operations on two meters and 40 meters passing essential traffic during the widespread flooding that recently hit the capital city of Manila and surrounding areas. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more:

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Nearly two weeks of monsoon rains across the Philippines main island of Luzon peaked with a 48 hour deluge that battered Manila and surrounding regions on August 6th and 7th. This was the worst rain to hit Manila since Tropical Storm Ketsana killed 464 people in 2009. .

Eddie Valdez DU1EV, is the Chief Operating Officer of the Philippines Amateur Radio Association. He said that members of the Ham Emergency Radio Operations group were on air from Monday the 6th through Thursday the 9th as the flood waters rose and then receded.

Through the organizations website DU1EV had warned the ham radio community of the pending rains. He asked those radio amateurs involved in emergency communications to be prepared by monitoring the emergency frequencies of 7.095 MHz and 144.740 MHz.

DU1EV said the sun finally, but only partially, showed up on the Thursday, August 9th with the flood waters receding in most areas. He said tones of garbage litter roads, parks and drains in Manila and surrounding provinces.

A big clean-up is under way. In the worst affected areas like Marikina City, the Metro Manila Development Authority said it would take about a month to clean and clear the drainage canals.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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According to news media reports 66 people died in the torrential rain and officials estimated 300,000 fled their homes in the capital city of Manila. According to DU1EV, during the storm one of the volunteer radio operators had to leave his home after two days because of the intense flooding. (VK3PC, DU1EV)

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RESCUE RADIO: E-MAIL FROM NET SAVES SAILOR IN DISTRESS

The Coast Guard with the aid of amateur radio coordinated the rescue of a mariner in distress approximately 287 miles northeast of Hilo, Hawaii on Friday, August 10th.

Duty officers at Joint Rescue Coordination Center in Honolulu received an e-mail report from a member of the Amigo Net. It said that a mariner aboard the Australian flagged sailing vessel the Q-Wave was disabled and requesting assistance.

According to news reports, the sailor reportedly had less than one liter of water and no food. The vessel's motor was disabled, it had lost its dingy, its communications equipment was unreliable and it had sustained a tear in its mainsail.

A Coast Guard HC-130 Hercules aircraft from Coast Guard Air Station Barbers Point was launched and located the disabled vessel. The crew dropped emergency supplies, including food, water and a VHF radio to the disabled sailboat. The Good Samaritan vessel Fifth Wife was in the area, overheard communications with the disabled vessel and responded to escort it back to Hilo. (Published news reports)

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PRO-ACTIVE ENFORCEMENT: CALGARY CANADA FORMS COPPER THEFT UNIT

Anyone thinking of being a copper thief in Calgary Canada may want to think again. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the reason why:

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Calgary Canada police have created a special unit to target copper wire thieves. This, as the number of thefts in that nation and world-wide continue to rise.

With the price of this metal on the upswing so are the number of crooks hoping to cash in. Offenders see the crime as extremely high reward as

they can easily steal copper and turn it around for cash. In other words there seems very low risk of getting caught.

But that changed in June after the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation was hit when $50,000 worth of copper wire was stolen from its transmitter site in southwest Calgary. Now police are watching very carefully for any signs that metal thieves may be about to strike.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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Calgary police hope that this new initiative will help deter copper thefts in that area. (WIA)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: EARLY WARNING QUAKE DETECTION DEMONSTRATED AT CAL TECH

Earthquake prediction may be on the verge of becoming a reality. This, following media reports that a pair of temblors centered near Yorba Linda, California were detected by a new earthquake warning system that's being developed at the California Institute of Technology.

A 4.5-magnitude quake struck one mile northeast from Yorba Linda at 11:23 p.m. Tuesday, August 7th. About ten hours later another a 4.4 magnitude shaker struck two miles from the same location.

News reports quote Douglas Given from the U.S. Geological Survey as saying that in the case of the first event Cal Tech received about nine to ten seconds warning before the strongest shaking was felt at the facility. In regard to the second quake the warning time was in the area of four seconds. Cal Tech is located in Pasadena California which is about 60 air miles from the two quakes epicenter.

Seismologists say that once the technology advances, they should be able to quickly determine a quake's magnitude and send that information out to the public before the strongest shaking waves reaches a given location. In its current incarnation, the early warning system sounds an audible alert, shows a countdown timer and estimates the intensity of an earthquake.

Experiments in quake detection have been going on for well over five decades but experts say that this new prototype system is the first to ever pick up quakes before the ground started shaking at its location. (Published news reports)

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RADIO INTERFERENCE: NEW RADIO BURST HEARD ON THE HF BANDS

The IARU Monitoring System Region 1 newsletter reports on a new burst radio system that is affecting the amateur radio operations in the 80, 40, 20 and 15 meter bands.

Writing in the newsletter Wolfgang Hadel, DK2OM, says that he discovered a new burst system operating on 3.5, 7, 14 and 21 MHz, daily.

Hadel who is the IARU Region 1 Monitoring System Coordinator says that the system is active every full hour at plus 1, plus 2 and plus 3 minutes with 10.4 sec. bursts of 20 kHz width. Also, the signals appear to come from France.

DK2OM adds that audio frequency analysis seems to pin this as being similar to CODAR signals. Their real purpose is unknown but DK2OM says that perhaps this is a new kind of over the horizon radar or Ionosonde. As we go to air, Germany's Department of Post and Telecommunications has filed a complaint with its French counterpart. (IARU-R1)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NROL-36 CUBSAT LAUNCH DELAYED AGIN

The launch of the NROL-36 mission carrying several new amateur radio micro-satellites has once again been postponed. According to Spaceflight Now, the United Launch Alliance Atlas 5 rocket, its classified payload and the ham radio cubesats remain poised for liftoff at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. Now, officials say that the twice delayed launch will likely take place on September 6th.

The flight was scrubbed during the initial countdown on August 2nd due to Range Instrumentation problems at the Vandenberg launch complex. Spaceflight Now says that engineers are on a path to resolution and hope to have corrective actions implemented, tested and certified by late August. The latest developments on this pending launch can be followed at www.spaceflightnow.com.

We will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (Spaceflightnow.com)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KC3MM repeater serving Ransom, Pennsylvania.

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO LAW: HAM IN WALES USES UNUSUAL APPROACH TO WIN TOWER FIGHT

A ham in Wales has won a tower dispute with the town he lives in by taking a very different approach. He accused the town's community council of bordering on racism and won an appeal to erect a fourth tower in his garden. We have more in this report:

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Michael Butler, GW0MNP, had his planning application for a 21 foot antenna mast rejected three times in under a year but he did not give up. In what may best be called an unprecedented three-pronged attack, Butler not only accused the city council of racism but also wrote letters accusing the Gazette newspaper of being "biased and sarcastic" and calling borough Mayor councilor Marlene Thomas "an idiot".

According to Wales dot com, Butler, of Green Meadow, sent a stinging letter to Cefn Cribwr Community Council last month. In it he claimed that their "prejudice" against his antenna mast installation ideas "bordered on racism".

In March, Bridgend County Borough Council planners denied Butler's request to erect the mast in his garden to further his amateur radio hobby. Those opposed to his installation compared the proposed antennae to "a flying bedstead". A bedstead is a British term for the metal framework that holds a mattress, pillows and the rest of the bedding.

But in the end, Butler's interesting approach succeeded. This when Welsh planning inspector Rebecca Phillips upheld his appeal against the council planners initial decision. Her decision means he can now keep the three towers already has and erect a fourth. The only proviso is the new tower is only at its full height for three hours a day.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, mulling this one over here in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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You can read the entire story of this fascinating tower appeal, including commentary by some of Butler's neighbors on-line at tinyurl.com/wales-antenna-win. (Wales.com, QRZ.com)

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RADIO LAW: VANITY FEE GOES TO $15 ON SEPTEMBER 4

Mark September 4th as the day that getting a vanity call sign will go to $15 for a full 10 year term. On August 3, the previously approved increase of 80 cents was printed in the Federal Register. The new charge take effect 30 days after publication making September 4th the first day it is in effect. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC TELLS SPY SHOP TO STOP SELLING JAMMING DEVICES

A California electronics retailer has been ordered to stop selling products designed to jam radio communications equipment. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jeff Clark, K8JAC, reports:

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The FCC has issued an official Citation and Order to Spy Shop of Sherman Oaks, California that also does business as IQ Tronics, Inc.,

SpyShopOne.com, and SpyGadgetsShop.com. This, for marketing cell phone, and Global Positioning System and other signal jamming devices in violation of Section 302(b) of the Communications Act, and Sections 2.803 and 15.201(b) of the Commission's rules.

In its July 18th Citation the FCC ordered that the Spy Shop should take immediate steps to come into compliance and to avoid any recurrence of this misconduct, including actions such as removing illegal signal jamming devices from displays and declining to sell signal jamming devices in the United States. The FCC said that if after receipt of the Citation, Spy Shop violates the Communications Act or the FCC Rules by marketing unauthorized radio frequency devices within the United States or its territories the Commission may impose monetary forfeitures of up to $16,000 for each such violation. In the case of a continuing violation, the Commission may impose monetary forfeitures of up to $16,000 for each day of such continuing violation up to a maximum forfeiture of $112,500 for any single act or failure to act. In addition, violations could also can result in seizure of equipment as well as criminal sanctions, including imprisonment.

Im Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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As we go to air, a check of the company website shows that all of the gear that the FCC says is illegal to sell has been removed from the company website. (FCC)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: JIMMY FUND WALK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Ham radio volunteers are needed in support of the Sunday, September 9th Jimmy Fund Walk in the greater Boston Massachusetts area. This event is on the Boston Marathon course but most of its activity is on the last half. All communications will be on 2 meter FM with volunteer communicators assigned to buses and first aid Stations along the route from 5 AM to 7 PM. Some half day assignments will also be available. If you wish to volunteer please contact Steve Schwarm by e-mail to w3eve (at) arrl (dot) net and be sure to put Jimmy Fund in the subject line, (W3EVE)

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RADIO BUSINESS: HAM RADIO DELUXE UPDATED

HRD Software announces an updated release of Ham Radio Deluxe version 5.24.36. This update includes fixes for cross band contacts in Logbook and some PTT issues hams have run into with DM780.

Meanwhile the Ham Radio Deluxe development team continues work on HRD Version 6.0. The specific date release date will be announced in a future press release.

For those who are unfamiliar wit it, Ham Radio Deluxe or HRD is an integrated suite of software products for amateur radio. The five modules provide rig control, logging, digital communications, satellite tracking, and rotator control. More about it is on-line at www.ham-radio-deluxe.com (HRD)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: AUTHENTIC RADIO AUDIO NEEDED FOR DOCUMENTARY FILM

Some names in the news. Steve Wystrach who is working on the production of a documentary film about Robert Manry and his 1965 single-handed Atlantic crossing says that he is in seed of two pieces of audio to help complete the project. First he needs an authentic recording of a WWV time signal from that era. It needs to be legible, but it can have a bit of static or hash, just as long as it's clear enough to understand.

Steve also needs a recording of the sound of a Gibson Girl distress transmitter. Manry demonstrates this unit at one point in the film but the actual signal it produced was not receded with a local receiver.

For those not aware, the Gibson Girl was the predecessor of the modern E-L-T or Electronic Location Transmitter but sent out an S-O-S signal on the old International Distress Frequency of 500 KHz. Many of these hit the surplus market in the 1950's and 1960's and were a popular as a parts supply for hams and other radio experimenters of that era.

If you have either of these audio tracks please e-mail Steve Wystrach to info (at) robertmanryproject (dot) com. More information about the documentary film is on line at www.robertmanryproject.com/about-us/. (Steve Wystrach)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NEW RAC ONTARIO SECTION MANAGERS NAMED

With the break-up of Radio Amateurs of Canada's Ontario Section, there are now four newly named Section Managers. Allan Boyd, VE3AJB, has been named as Section Manager Ontario North. Michael Hickey, VE3IPC, takes the reins for Section Manager of Ontario East. The Section Manager for the Greater Toronto Area is George Duffield, VE3WKJ, with Ian Snow, VA3QT, as Section Manager Ontario South. These appointments are effective immediately, and will be merged into the normal election process at the end of a two year term. (RAC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: W9DXCC DX CONVENTION SEPT 14 - 25 IN ELK GROVE IL.

On the social scene, a reminder that the 60th annual W9DXCC DX Convention will be held September 14th to the 15th at the Holiday Inn in the Chicago suburb of Elk Grove, Illinois. W9DXCC is very much a fun gathering with presentations focused on DXing. Also available will be on site QSL card checking for CQ and ARRL awards. An optional Friday

afternoon class will help get aspiring DX'ers up to speed. For more information and on-line registration for this gathering please take your web browser to www.w9dxcc.com. (N7US, W9DXCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: WESTERN STATES VHF - UHF WEAK SIGNAL 75M NET

The Western States VHF/UHF Weak Signal 75 meter net meets every Sunday night from 5:30 to 6:30 pm Pacific time. This net is an informal opportunity to discuss recent operating activity, future plans for contests, rovers, and a wide variety of topics for the non repeater folks who inhabit the world above 50 MHz. The frequencies used are 3.920 MHz Lower Sideband region wide and 144.200 MHz Upper Sideband in Southern California. Anyone with an interest in weak signal communications is invited to take part. (VHF Reflector)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: WWVB PHASE MOD TEST STARTS AUGUST 21

The National Institute of Stands and Technology radio Station WWVB will be conducting a test of a phase-modulated broadcast format beginning at 1800 UTC on Tuesday, August 21st and ending at 1800 UTC on Friday, August 24th. During the test period the broadcast will be randomly switching between the normal WWVB broadcast and the new phase-modulated broadcast format.

According to WWVB Radio-controlled clocks and watches will not be affected by the test. However phase-locking 60 kHz timing and frequency standard receivers may lose lock during this period. However, they will restore during the normal broadcast period.

For more information, e-mail WWVB broadcast manager John Lowe at john.lowe (at) nist (dot) gov (CGC, John Lowe)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: PRINTABLE HF TRANSMITTER DEVELOPED

The British Broadcasting Corporation reports that a new science has been developed to permit high frequency radio transmitters for 13.560 MHz to be printed using electronic inks at a cost of that cost just a penny each.

The transmitters use Near Field Communication technology and are seen as a replacement for Quick Response Codes. The latter consists of black square dots arranged in a square pattern on a white background. The story of this new technology is on-line at tinyurl.com/printed-transmitter. (BBC, Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: CHRISTIAN VISION LEAVING SOUTH AMERICA TARGETED SHORTWAVE

Yet another shortwave broadcaster is cutting back on over the air operations. This time it's the U-K based Christian Vision that has announced that it will cease its shortwave service to Latin America, likely by the time this newscast has gone to air.

According to its announcement, the main reason for abandoning this targeted shortwave operation is the shifting emphasis to media that reach younger listeners. It says it has about 413 affiliates in 23 countries and is using Internet, mobile and social platforms to increase consumption by those in the important 18 to 35 year-old demographic many of whom are not shortwave listeners.

In 2010 the Christian Vision closed two other shortwave sites. One was in Darwin, Australia, and had served audiences in Asia. The other was sited in Juelich, Germany, that aired Russian, Arabic and English programs.

Christian Vision is not completely abandoning the shortwave bands. It says that it will continue to use shortwave in India and parts of Africa, where audiences continue to be significant. RW

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WORLDBEAT: TWO RADIO STATIONS LOOSE TRANSMITTERS DOWN UNDER

North Queensland, Australia radio stations Hot FM and 4RFM have both had their transmitters stolen. Southern Cross Austereo had its 91.3 MHz HOT FM transmitter stolen from its site at the Carborough Range. The 91.3 MHz transmitter taken consisted of a Crown Broadcast FM30 Exciter, PA1000 Power Amplifier, and PS1000 Power Supply.

The local community station 4RFM also had its transmitter stolen at the same time from a nearby site. Its gear was not described.

The thieves used a crow bar to get through the door of the 91.3 MHz site and an angle grinder through the door of the community radio location. Both thefts seem targeted as none of the two-way radio equipment was taken from either location

Matt Paton is a Southern Cross Austereo Engineer. He has asked that those involved in radio to keep a look out for the stolen equipment. Paton notes that the market for broadcast transmitters isn't massive in Australia. As such, if anybody gets offered a black market deal for such equipment could they please call the Moranbah Australia Police at 07 4941 6200. (WIA News)

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WORLDBEAT: LONDON OLYMPIC OVER BUT COMMEMORATIVE STATION SETTING RECORDS

The summer 2012 Olympics may be over but operations at 2o12L, the flagship station celebrating the Olympic and Paralympic Games continues. Further information about the station can be found on the website at www.2o12L.com. (RSGB)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: 2012 OLYMPICS ON THE HAM-SATS

Meantime, another Olympic Special Event Station, 2o12W has been active on the amateur radio satellites working stations in the USA and across Europe. The 2o12W satellite station is being operated by Ken Eaton, GW1FKY, using a Kenwood TS-2000 feeding a 5-element dual-band Elk antenna mounted on a rotator on the portable cabin. For details of his operation please check out www.rsgb.org/operating/ and click on London Olympics 2012. (RSGB)

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RADIO IN SPACE: RUSSIA LAUNCHES NON-HAM RS-40

A Russian research satellite called RS-40 carrying experiments built by students and research staff of the Siberian State Aerospace University was launched on July 28. Signals from the new bird have been heard on 435.365 MHz and were first reported by Maik Hermenau on the AMSAT-DL mailing list.

While the new satellite uses amateur 70 cm band downlinks it does not appear to include an amateur radio mission. In fact, as we go to air details of the downlink signaling protocol have not been made available. About the only thing certain is that systems aboard this 65 kilogram satellite includes testing advanced technological solutions to be incorporated into future missions. More about RS-40 is on-line at tinyurl.com/99ryrw8 (PE0SAT, ANS)

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In DX, preparations for the ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island are on schedule for activation from November 28th to December 9th. The containers to carry all required equipment are currently being prepared and loaded, ready to be shipped out of Sydney around September 15th. More information is on-line at ZL9HR dot com.

IZ2WMW will be on the air stroke 9Afrom Krk Island between August 18th to the 25th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via hs home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

W9XY will be active from the Bahamas as C6AXY between November 4th to the 9th. His operation will be holiday style on 40 through 10 meters

using mostly CW and SSB,with maybe some RTTY or PSK31. QSL via W9XY.

AA5UK will be operating stroke EA6 froma in the Balearic Islands between October 20th and the 31st. Activity will be holiday style on 80 though 6 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct via his home callsign, by the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World or eQSL.

4F2KWT will be active as DX0N from the rare Bongao Island located in the province of Tawi-Tawi, Philippines, sometime in September. Look for more details o be forthcoming at www.qrz.com/db/DX0N

Lastly, a group of Polish radio amateurs will be operational as from Mauritania as 5T0SP between November 24th and December 10th, from Mauritania. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SSB an RTTY. There will be a focus on Japan and the Far East.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: MORSE CODE ON MARS

And finally this week, the story of Morse code on Mars. When the Mars rover Curiosity moves around the red planet it leaves a series on dots and dashes on the surface. These dots and dashes are a part of Curiosity's wheels and are made by square and rectangular imprints on the rovers treads.

According to Jet Propulsion Laboratory's Mars Rover Mechanical Engineering Team, these holes or imprints actually have a purpose as odometer markers. JPL Engineers are looking at the tread marks to verify that Curiosity has traversed the distance it expects.

So what pattern did JPL choose to put on Curiosity's wheels? The holes are in a pattern of short squares and longer rectangles as in the ancient and honorable Morse code. And what does it spell out in C-W? Simply the three letters JPL.

The full story of this Morse code on Mars is on-line at tinyurl.com/cw-on-mars. And less we forget, you can follow Curiosity on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MarsCuriosity. (Various sources)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, Twit TV and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at)arnewsline(dot)org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1535. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 17 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 16:13:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51868744d8c6004c77870ce@google.com>
Source record: 2202
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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YP1S Sacalinul Island

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 04:56 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358067-YP1S-Sacalinul-Island&goto=newpost

Group of Romanian Radioamateurs will be active from Sacalinul Mare Island
(IOTA EU-183) 23-29 August 2012 as YP1S

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...l-mare-island/

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K2USA on the air for the International Lighthouse / Lightship weekend

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 04:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358066-K2USA-on-the-air-for-the-International-Lighthouse-Lightship-weekend&goto=newpost

The Fort Monmouth A.R.C. and Ocean - Monmouth A.R.C. will be on the air
from the Sandy Hook Lighthouse for the 15th ILLW. We will be signing K2USA.
And running a mix of modes (CW, SSB, PSK-31, FM) on 80 -6 Meters. QSL
information at " www.n2mo.org ".

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YP0CW/P in YOFF-569

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 03:38 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358061-YP0CW-P-in-YOFF-569&goto=newpost

Tomorrow 18 August 2012, YP0CW/P will be in YOFF-569 (rare and hard work
area),

in 7/10/14/21 MHz, mostly in CW.

All operation must be made on a bank river within max. 10 meters, in a
very rough terrain.

http://yo6ex.blogspot.com

73's & GL

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100 Years of Brazilian Air force - Special Cal ZW100AF during CVA contest.

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 08:36 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358043-100-Years-of-Brazilian-Air-force-Special-Cal-ZW100AF-during-CVA-contest&goto=newpost

This weekent, saturday 18/19 from 21 to 21 UTC starts the first phase of the Brazilian CVA contest in CW Mode and the next weekend, 25/26 from 21 to 21 UTC occurs the Phone phase.

This brazilian contest mobilize brazilian hams from all brazilian states and islands, like PY0F and PY0T stations.

The "Casa do Radioamador e PX Clube de Nilópolis" (Nilópolis Ham's and CB's home) will be active in CW and Phone phases transmiting from the "Afonsos's Field", the beginning, the cradle, of brazilian military aviation using the special callsign ZW100AF and we will be active from 28 to 3,5 MHZ.

QSL's to all contacts will be sent through Bureau, LOTW (soon) or Direct if you send a Direct card with SASE or IRC.

The CVA is a traditionary brazilian contest in commemoration to soldier's day and the rules must be find in: http://www.cvadx.org/

We are waiting for you in QRG.

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K7A Vintage Aircraft Weekend Sept 1 2012 1500Z - 0200Z sept 2 2012

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 07:39 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358040-K7A-Vintage-Aircraft-Weekend-Sept-1-2012-1500Z-0200Z-sept-2-2012&goto=newpost

Vintage Aircraft Weekend at Historic Flight Foundation, Paine Field, Mukilteo WA will activate K7A during fly in of 60 + vintage aircraft 1500Z 9/1/2012 - 0200Z 9/2/2012 www.historicflight.org Phone 7240, 14240, 21 & 28 if open, 6/2 calling freq. CW up 52. KE7KRS, AD7BF, K7KFB, KC7YE are ops. QSL (featuring B-25D "Grumpy") SASE to Jack Rookaird K7A/ KC7YE 8260 53rd Ave W. Condo 407 Mukilteo WA 98275

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ILLW Tibbetts Point -- US0134 Cape Vincent New York

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 06:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358031-ILLW-Tibbetts-Point-US0134-Cape-Vincent-New-York&goto=newpost

The Thousand Islands Repeater Club, KD2CPX,will be on the air at Tibbetts Point Lighthouse on Saturday 8/18 9am-8pm EST.

Operations are dependent on band conditions but we will be equipped to run 80-6m to be wherever the action is. Please make an effort to stop by and chat.

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The Lighthouse webpage is:

http://www.capevincent.org/lighthous...thouse_001.htm

Attached Images

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N6L @ Lassen Volcanic National Park KFF-049 WVA-09 is QRT. Thanks! Video up.

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 05:39 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358028-N6L-Lassen-Volcanic-National-Park-KFF-049-WVA-09-is-QRT-Thanks!-Video-up&goto=newpost

The event was logistically challenging this year due to a fire within and around the park. We eventually got some good runs in the evenings and were greeted with some fun qso's and pileups. We are working on adding photos and Video to the website and some video is up now.

This is a great example of how awesome a Special Event Station can be and hopefully will inspire those of you considering organizing one.

If you had a qso w/ N6L please check the qsl info here on qrz and make note of it asap as we will be releasing the n6l call soon.

If we missed your call, darn it, next year I guess. Better yet, come join us.

We wanted to thank all the operators who contacted us and also QRZ.COM, Buddipole, and Lassen Volcanic National Park Staff.

Website http://lassenbirthday.blogspot.com

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Hams going to burning man 2012 at the black rock desert nv

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 11:12 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357993-Hams-going-to-burning-man-2012-at-the-black-rock-desert-nv&goto=newpost

I love to contact an radio folks headed to burning man aug 27 2012. i am brining a large box van with a modified am broadcast transmitter. will be on 3.885 am evenings. also, i have a deep fringe wifi antenna system and would like to find someone with a direct shot wifi antenna near gerlac nv (elevation 3800) so i can send simlucast video from the bm event.

thanks in advance.

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1536. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 17 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 17:00:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e31ae524404c7791602@google.com>
Source record: 2203
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-33

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 06:13 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358071-NZ4O-MF-HF-6M-Radiowave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-33&goto=newpost

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-33 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday August 17, 2012, valid 0000 UTC
Saturday August 18, 2012 through 2359 UTC Friday August 24, 2012.

It can be found at http://www.solarcycle24.org and
http://www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast: http://www.solarcycle24.org

NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

Harmful Man Induced (Anthropogenic) Climate Change (Global Warming)
Refuted: http://www.globalwarminglie.org

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1827 August 17 2012

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 08:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358042-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1827--August-17-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1827 ☐ August 17 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1827 with a release date of August 17
2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Hams respond as flooding hits the Philippines;
e-mail from a net saves a sailors life; a new source of interference to the
H-F bands is discovered, WWVB to begin Phase Modulation test broadcasts on
August 21st and Morse code is now on Mars. Find out the details are on
Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1827 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS RESPOND AS FLOODING HITS THE PHILIPPINES

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association known as PARA activated its Ham Emergency Radio Operations on two meters and 40 meters passing essential traffic during the widespread flooding that recently hit the capital city of Manila and surrounding areas. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more:

1537. eHam.net News for Friday 17 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-17 22:41:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51718f1de3fca04c77dda29@google.com>
Source record: 2204
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Nashob Valley Radio Club to Make Contact at Lighthouse Event:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28834

PEPPERELL -- The members of the Nashoba Valley Amateur Radio Club will head down to the Cape this weekend to operate out of the Cape Cod Highland Lighthouse for the 15th annual International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. Amateur radio operators from around the world will be operating from lighthouse and lightship locations over the weekend. Last year, 469 lighthouses and lightships participated, representing 55 countries. About four or five members of the Nashoba Valley Amateur Radio Club participated in the event last year, said Roland Guilmet, public information officer for the club. This year, interest has grown and about double the members will participate. While most amateur radio events are contests in which radio operators try to make the most contacts in 48 hours, this event is more relaxed, said Guilmet. "The feel of it isn't contest-oriented," said Guilmet. "You chat with other lighthouses and it's very informal and not as structured as some of the typical contesting events."

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Radio Enthusiasts Aim to Light Up a Moray Landmark:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28833

A famous Moray landmark will be featured on a world-wide stage this weekend thanks to the work of the local amateur radio community. Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society (MFARS) members are manning a temporary broadcast station at the Covesea Café near Lossiemouth to mark 'International Lighthouse Day'. Radio enthusiasts from around the world use the special day to acknowledge the continuing importance of their hobby as well as drawing attention to some of the most iconic landmarks along every coastline on the planet. MFARS President, Bill Cecil, says that while the Society would have liked to broadcast directly from the iconic Covesea light that is not possible at present as the building is currently closed and subject to sale by the Northern Lighthouse Board. However, the Moray enthusiasts will 'set up shop' alongside the light and welcome anyone with an interest or just plain curious about the hobby to come along for a chat.

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ARNewsline Report 1827 -- Aug 17 2012:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28832

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flooding hits the Philippines; e-mail from a
net saves a sailors life; a new source of
interference to the H-F bands is discovered,
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broadcasts on August 21st and Morse code is
now on Mars. Find out the details are on
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Hans Camenzind, 555 Timer Inventor, Dies:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 03:22 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28831

SAN FRANCISCO--Hans Camenzind, the Swiss emigre analog guru who invented
one of the most successful circuits in electronics history and introduced
the concept of phase-locked loop to IC design, passed away in his sleep at
the age of 78.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #34:

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 08:42 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28830

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by
CX3AL, F5TRO, NC1L, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX,
DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and
WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

1538. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 17 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-18 02:41:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3033462f64b73804c7813693@google.com>
Source record: 2205
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Pacific Endeavor 2012 reaches milestone - DVIDS

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 09:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNETLMMhHjjvzdTpQipRGu-98iagQA&url=http://www.dvidshub.net/news/93298/pacific-endeavor-2012-reaches-milestone

Pacific Endeavor 2012 reaches milestone
DVIDS
8, integrating military high frequency (HF) communications into the amateur (Ham) radio community. Proactive communications measures were taken after Nepal authorities predicted a catastrophic 8.0-scaled earthquake would be expected in the near future ...

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ARNewsline Report 1827 -- Aug 17 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 12:11 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH0weSHzTp7ooDjU9frxKpvFaEdDA&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28832

ARNewsline Report 1827 -- Aug 17 2012:
eHam.net
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Beaming out greetings to world from Newport lighthouse - South Wales Argus

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 10:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHOLWWhwsTMR-2Zzy6ux3R4SWFicA&url=http://www.southwalesargus.co.uk/news/9879903.Beaming_out_greetings_to_world_from_Newport_lighthouse/

Beaming out greetings to world from Newport lighthouse
South Wales Argus
The society will be taking part in the annual International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend, which will see more than 660 lighthouses and lightships across the world on the air using amateur radio. Visitors will be able to listen to information and ...

Lighthouses everywhere this weekendSouthgate Amateur Radio Club

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Radio ham wins appeal for new mast - WalesOnline

Posted: 10 Aug 2012 01:15 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEdipvR80nZWHzlhrPicmOuS6CvOw&url=http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/south-wales-news/bridgend-maesteg/2012/08/09/radio-ham-wins-appeal-for-new-mast-91466-31579494/

Radio ham wins appeal for new mast
WalesOnline
AN amateur radio enthusiast in Cefn Cribwr – who accused the towns community council of racism – won an appeal to erect a fourth mast in his garden. Radio ham Michael Butler, of Green Meadow, sent a stinging letter to Cefn Cribwr Community Council ...

1539. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 18 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-18 06:16:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a48eaf8e04c78436d1@google.com>
Source record: 2206
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Come see Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, at South Jersey's Biggest Hamfest -
Sept 16

Posted: 16 Aug 2012 07:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358041-Come-see-Riley-Hollingsworth-K4ZDH-at-South-Jersey-s-Biggest-Hamfest-Sept-16&goto=newpost

Sunday Sept 16

Slight change of plans! South Jersey's biggest hamfest will now star Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, the former FCC rules enforcer for amateur radio!

Riley will visit, mingle, chat, answer questions, and take pictures with the attendees. Bring your cameras!

Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club in Mullica Hill, NJ (W2MMD). South Jersey's biggest hamfest!

$6 admission - non-ham wives and kids under 16 are free

$10 tables (yours or ours) or table space up to 8ft under covered pavilions (does not include price of admission)

$5 tailgating per vehicle space up to 10ft in open grassy areas only (does not include price of admission). Tailgating under covered pavilions falls under "Table Rules" rates.

22 miles from Philadelphia

28 from Wilmington, DE

67 miles from Dover, DE

77 miles from Reading, PA

81 miles from Allentown, PA

91 miles from Baltimore

107 miles from NYC

125 miles from Harrisburg, PA

4-H Fairgrounds, 240 Bridgeton Pike (Route 77 South), Mullica Hill, NJ. Off of exit 2 on NJ Turnpike.

Map: http://maps.google.com/maps?q=240+Br...93.076172&z=16

Website and hamfest flyer: www.w2mmd.org

If you like a beautiful scenic drive, full of farmland, this is the place. Trust me. I grew up in Carteret, NJ and worked in the NYC/ northern NJ area til 2002.

1540. Gulel

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-18 10:12:05 UTC
From: my pardes <mypardes@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <cda77363-f7f7-4e4f-91a0-120130b27bde@ou2g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2207

reviews of future movie industry movies Pocket crater,Gulel,yeh jawani hai deewani,krrish 3,bhaiyaji,ghayal returns and plenty of a lot of movies for full recreation.www.mypardes.com/

http://www.mypardes.com/

1541. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 18 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-18 11:04:25 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51d20a46e999504c7883c5f@google.com>
Source record: 2208
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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It's time for the 2012 Huntsville Hamfest!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ze_IRhZfy4g/2012_huntsville_hamfest.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us during our live, online broadcast of the Huntsville Hamfest
this weekend.
During the Huntsville Hamfest, W5KUB will interview vendors about their
latest products, and broadcast the announcement of the Young Ham of the Year

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Radio Ham sets the record straight over mast appeal

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XDhny8Bun6g/radio_ham_wins_appeal_for_n
ew_mast_statement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Last Saturday, we carried a link to a story which appeared in the Glamorgan
Gazette regarding radio amateur Michael Butler GW0MNP who had his planning
application for a 21 foot (6.5 m) mast rejected three times in under a
year, but he did not give up and finally won. Michael has since contacted
Southgate News with the following statement regarding that appeal

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Reading talk - The Sun by Dr Lucie Green

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GQFyBc3Mx_Y/the_sun_by_dr_lucie_green.h
tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dr Lucie Green will be giving a talk on The Sun to the Reading and District
Amateur Radio Club on Thursday, September 27 at 7:30 pm. Dr Lucie Green is
a well-known presenter on BBC TV on Astronomical subjects and this talk is
definitely worth hearing

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nyHineMc11U/033_august_18.htm?utm_sourc
e=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There was a big drop in solar activity over the past week, with the
average daily sunspot numbers declining nearly 42 points to 77.6, and
average daily solar flux down 20 points to 114.7.Solar flux has dropped
below 100, where it is expected to remain through August 22

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Working Australia Pedestrian Mobile

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jvuysryBAcM/working_australia_pedestria
n_mobile.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The video shows radio amateur David Roper M0DAD using his pedestrian mobile
station to work Paul Simmonds VK5PAS in South Australia on 20m

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CARS activate Light Vessel

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZqVyiVWBKD4/cars_activate_light_vessel.
htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society will be operating from
Trinity Light Vessel 15 for International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend

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Ham Radio operator receives Mars photo

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LHm9erXrHQw/ham_radio_operator_receives
_mars_photo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Randy Hall K7AGE describes how he received a strange signal
and picture on 20m

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555 Timer IC designer SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wZdEWaUPn-g/555_timer_ic_designer_sk.ht
m?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hans Camenzind, designer of the 555 timer IC passed away on August 8 at the
age of 78

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WqLQMnjYQTY/propagation_forecast_33.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 7 day period NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast #2012-33 has
been published at 0000 UTC on Friday August 17, 2012

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Pacific Endeavor 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/noJVpEomTgE/pacific_endeavor_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Pacific Endeavor 2012 reached a milestone on Changi Naval Base, Singapore, August 8, integrating military high frequency (HF) communications into the amateur (Ham) radio community

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FUN team on the Jenni Baynton for ILLW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1-riMy9DseQ/fun_team_on_the_jenni_baynton_for_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The PA6FUN team will be active for the first time during the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend from the Trinity House Lightvessel no.8 - now the 'Jenni Baynton' - from 18-20th August, 2012

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Video of Space Jam 6 ISS contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q6sXCG3GUYA/video_of_space_jam6_iss_contact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide KE5DNI used amateur radio to speak to Scouts at Space Jam 6 in Rantoul, Illinois

1542. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 18 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-18 16:40:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f647729f6708a04c78ced41@google.com>
Source record: 2209
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Youngsters on the air 2012 Belgium ON4YOTA

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 09:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358200-Youngsters-on-the-air-2012-Belgium-ON4YOTA&goto=newpost

Youngsters On The Air

Belgium-The Netherlands 2012

During the summer of 2012 a youth radio camp will be held in Belgium, organized

by UBA youth commission and VERON. Location will be close to the Dutch border.

In this week many young radio amateurs from 9 different

European countries will be participating during different activities: contesting,

ARDF, presentations, fieldday, visiting radio stations etc

This week will be organized by members of the VERON and UBA.

It will be a great experience for the young HAM□s which they will never forget,

during the event we are several times active with the call: ON4YOTA

When:

19-26 August 2012

Participants:

9 teams from different European member associations of IARU R1. A

team consist of 1 team leader, this could be an older person, and 4 team members

with the age between 18-25 years.

73's de Florian PD0MP 16 years old.

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KL7/KJ4OAP KL7/W2NAF KL7/K8GU Adak Island

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 03:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358181-KL7-KJ4OAP-KL7-W2NAF-KL7-K8GU-Adak-Island&goto=newpost

KJ4OAP , W2NAF , K8GU will be active from Adak Island (IOTA NA-039) 23 August - 12 September 2012 KL7/KJ4OAP , KL7/W2NAF , KL7/K8GU

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...u_adak-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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WA4DAN/CY0 AA4VK/CY0 Sable Island

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 01:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358174-WA4DAN-CY0-AA4VK-CY0-Sable-Island&goto=newpost

WA4DAN and AA4VK will be active from Sable Island 8-17 October 2012 as WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en..._sable-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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ILLW #US0114 Special Event Station- Port Washington, WI USA

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 10:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358105-ILLW-US0114-Special-Event-Station-Port-Washington-WI-USA&goto=newpost

The Ozaukee Radio Club and LeFrog club will be operating

a Special Event Station for the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend.

This is Saturday August 18th, and Sunday August 19th, 2012, during

the Port Washington's Maritime Heritage Festival.

We will be at the 1860 Light Station and Museum in Port Washington, WI.

Local Ozaukee county radio club members hope to contact members

of the Luxembourg Amateur Radio Society on the 10th anniversary of

the dedication of the 1860 Light Station tower and lantern. The

tower and lantern restoration was made possible by the country of

Luxembourg as a gift to the people of the Port Washington area of

Luxembourg descent, and as a memorial to those American service

men that liberated their country from German occupation in 1944.

We will have a tri-band beam for 20-15-10m, but will

concentrate on 20m, depending on band conditions.

We will also operate a D-STAR station.

We created a Special Event QSL card as well.

Sat 18th 7am - 5pm Central (1200 - 2200 UTC)

Sun 19th 7am - 3pm Central (1200 - 2000 UTC)

Band: 20m

D-STAR: Repeater KC9LKZ C and Reflector 019C

Club callsign: W9CQO

ILLW# US0114

Grid EN63BJ

W9CQO is not registered for D-STAR, so you might see

me KC9ONY or Loren N9ENR on the reflector.

Information about ILLW:

http://www.illw.net/

Information about the 1820 Light Station and Museum:

http://www.portwashingtonhistoricals...ghtstation.htm

Information about the Maritime Heritage Festival:

http://www.portmaritimefestival.com/index.html

Information about the Ozaukee Radio Club:

http://www.ozaukeeradioclub.org/

Press Release:

http://www.ozaukeeradioclub.org/pdfs...essRelease.pdf

1543. SARL News in English 18/8/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-18 18:15:12 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <BC6AF0307B7F47A9BB03F1ECDFD7CAD6@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2210
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 19 AUGUST 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

In the news today:

INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE/LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND 2012

CLUBS INVITED TO AFFILIATE TO THE SARL

SARL HF DIGITAL CONTEST TODAY

SARL RTA COMES TO PORT ELIZABETH NEXT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE/LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND 2012

More than 400 lighthouses in almost 50 countries and territories - from Argentina to Wales - will be on the air for 2012 International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW), organized by Scotland's Ayr Amateur Radio Group (AARG). The event, held for the 15th year in a row, takes place Saturday, August 18th 00:01 UTC through Sunday, August 19 23:59 UTC. While not a contest, the ILLW is more of a QSO Party and Amateur Radio demonstration. The ILLW aims to raise public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and the need for their preservation and restoration, promote Amateur Radio and foster international goodwill. Stations at more than 50 US lights are expected to be on the air for the event, and several stations will identify with special event call signs. Participating lighthouse/lightship stations do not have to be inside the structure or on the vessel itself; a Field Day-type setup at or adjacent to the light is sufficient.

There are still a few hours left to talk to one of the many lighthouses and ships on the air.

CLUBS INVITED TO AFFILIATE TO THE SARL

Radio Clubs in South Africa are invited to affiliate to the SARL and enjoy the benefit of having their activities published on the web, in SARLNEWS and in Radio ZS. Affiliated clubs are also assisted with special call sign applications and qualify to manage an RAE examination centre as well as having their web URL and email address linked from www.sarl.org.za.

To affiliate to the SARL a club should complete an application form and summit the form together with a copy of their constitution, and a list and contact details of the committee. If a list of current club members is supplied to the SARL we will be able to update the call book data base which shows a member's club affiliation. Send all the details to secretary@sarl.org.za. There is no charge to affiliate.

SARL RTA COMES TO PORT ELIZABETH NEXT

1 September may be officially Spring Day in South Africa, but for Port Elizabeth and surrounding areas there is an added attraction: "the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium". It will be held on 1 September at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University. This year's hands-on programme has seen wide support in KwaZulu-Natal and Gauteng. It is now up to the Eastern Cape to set a new attendance record. Pre-booking opens on Monday. Visit www.sarl.org.za for details. Watch the home page for more details.

JOIN THE RYRY ROOKIES THIS EVENING

On Sunday, August 19, the digital modes return to the Rookie Roundup. Created to give the budding operator a place to learn about contesting at an easier pace, the Rookie Roundup is a six hour contest open for all amateurs who have been licensed for three years or less; if you were licensed in 2010, 2011 or 2012, you qualify as a Rookie.

By popular request, a multi-operator category has been created for the Rookie Roundup. Several Rookies can operate from one location as a group. You use the same call and name in the exchange, regardless of which operator is at the keyboard. This category is perfect for clubs wanting to help their newer members get more active.

A team competition has also been created: Up to five single operator Rookies -- each operating from their own location -- can band together as a team and combine their scores. Team members are also recognized for their individual efforts. Multi-operator entries and non-Rookies are not permitted to be on a team.

Old Timers have a place in the Rookie Roundup, as well. Elmering is a critical component of the Rookie Roundup, and Old Timers are encouraged to not only get on and work the Rookies, but to host a Rookie and assist them with learning how to participate. Rookies can work anybody,

but non-Rookies can only work Rookies. The contest exchange is easy: just send both call signs, your first name and your location (this is either your US state, Canadian province, Mexican call area or "DX" if you're not in the US, Canada or Mexico).

All official entries must use this form: www.b4h.net/arrlrr/index.php. But don't dally -- you only have three days to submit your score summary. All score summaries must be received by 23:59 UTC Wednesday, August 22, 2012.

The 2012 ARRL RTTY Rookie Roundup runs from 18:00 UTC through 23:59 UTC Sunday, August 19, 2012. Complete rules and score submission information can be found at www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup. A great idea for a club to arrange a local Rookie activity in South Africa! May be PEARS would buy into the idea as they already run a beginners event.

NEW INFORMATION ABOUT QSL BUREAU ON THE WEB PAGE

Please take note of the changes to the QSL bureau information on the SARL web page. Please read this and keep it in mind. Pleasant DX-ing to you.

CONTEST NEWS

The SARL HF Digital Contest is on the air this afternoon from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC. The rules were published in SARL News last Sunday and can be found in the 2012 SARL Contest Manual. This afternoon you can operate PSK31 and RTTY on 20, 40 and 80 metres.

For the SARL HF Phone Contest the Contest Committee has received 26 single operator logs, 1 multi-operator log and 2 check logs. The number of logs received is lower than the past few years and a number of logs were received in the wrong format. Please read General Rule 5 and 6. The results will be made known early in the coming week.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is declining again. There are currently few sunspot regions visible and none are posing a threat for strong solar flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 35.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 20 m providing the best openings with 15 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent due to the lower solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 19 August - SARL HF digital competition from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC. 19 August - ARRL RTTY Rookie Roundup from 18:00 UTC to 23:59 UTC. 26 August - SARL HF CW competition. 27 August - Last day to submit logs for SARL HF digital contest to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or

Bloemfontein ARC, Box 33211, Fichardt Park, 9317, 1 September - RTA in Port Elizabeth at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, pre-booking starts tomorrow, visit www.sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1544. eHam.net News for Saturday 18 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-18 22:42:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301afc55ba2c5e04c791fcb4@google.com>
Source record: 2211
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Beaming Out Greetings to World from Newport Lighthouse:

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28840

NEWPORT Amateur Radio Society will be taking part in a worldwide event this weekend, when they man the East Usk Lighthouse. The society will be taking part in the annual International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend, which will see more than 660 lighthouses and lightships across the world on the air using amateur radio. Visitors will be able to listen to information and greetings being transmitted and received from lighthouses and lightships from all parts of the world. The society will be at the East Usk Lighthouse from 9am until 6pm on Saturday. The station will use the special callsign GB4EUL. Visitors are welcome and there will be someone there to answer any questions.

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Ham Radio Operators to Gather in Jupiter:

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28839

JUPITER -- Ham radio operators will gather Saturday and Sunday at the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse and Museum to mark Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. The event fosters amateur radio and brings awareness to the need to preserve and restore lighthouses and lightships. Two local ham radio clubs will display equipment and let people take the dial and headset.

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The Sun's Strange Shape Revealed:

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28838

(SPACE.com) In a strange twist of solar physics, the shape of our sun is rounder than previously thought, yet at the same time, it is also flatter -- or squashed -- more often, making the star wider at the middle than at its poles, scientists say. The findings, announced today (Aug. 16), raise new mysteries about activity in the interior ofthe sun, researchers added. The sun goes through rhythmic changes in activity. During these approximately 11-year-long solar cycles, the number of sunspots on the surface of the sun can rise and fall dramatically.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #33 de K7RA:

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 04:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28837

There was a big drop in solar activity over the past week, with the
average daily sunspot numbers declining nearly 42 points to 77.6,
and average daily solar flux down 20 points to 114.7.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-33:

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 04:08 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28835

Propagation NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-33:

1545. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 18 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-19 02:11:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a5b94fbbd04c794e954@google.com>
Source record: 2212
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Into the airwaves; Amateur radio hosts broadcast from lighthouse - The Morning Journal

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 10:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGU1z7WHXRizUS2q26iGP8L2kCYoA&url=http://morningjournal.com/articles/2012/08/18/news/doc502f0b3169554398955114.txt

Evanston Now
Into the airwaves; Amateur radio hosts broadcast from lighthouse
The Morning Journal
LORAIN — Four amateur radio operators will spend the weekend broadcasting from the Lorain Lighthouse in a global event designed to promote the preservation of beacons of light. With global positioning systems and cell phones, both lighthouses and ...
Radio operating group staying in lighthouseChronicle-Telegram
CQ Lighthouse, CQ LighthouseEvanston Now
Beaming out greetings to world from Newport lighthouseSouth Wales Argus
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
all 5 news articles

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HAM operators have field day - Deccan Chronicle

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 03:36 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH3XI8bme_J19BMP_wr_8r5jcyTUA&url=http://www.deccanchronicle.com/channels/sci-tech/others/ham-operators-have-field-day-pulicat-418

Deccan Chronicle
HAM operators have field day
Deccan Chronicle
The lighthouse at Pulicat was abuzz with activity with a team of amateur radio operators setting up a special radio station to commemorate the international lighthouse and lightship weekend on Saturday. About 500 HAM radio operators from various parts ...

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School notes: Students to have radio contact with space station - Daytona Beach News-Journal

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 12:35 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE5DdEr074yTHLWfePzrBPKVMqMcQ&url=http://www.news-journalonline.com/news/local/flagler/2012/08/18/school-notes-students-to-have-r

adio-contact-with-space-station.html

School notes: Students to have radio contact with space station
Daytona Beach News-Journal
12, is being made possible through Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, NASA, international space agencies and worldwide amateur radio groups that coordinate scheduled radio contacts between astronauts aboard the space station and ...

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Some Lesser-Known Heroes: American Radio League Holds State Convention - WDTV

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH18ICUsifzElGJvCUvG5-fBfBshw&url=http://www.wdtv.com/wdtv.cfm?func%3Dview%26section%3D5-News%26item%3DSome-Lesser-Known-Heroes-American-Radio-League-Holds-State-Convention4860

Some Lesser-Known Heroes: American Radio League Holds State Convention
WDTV
Volunteers for the Amateur Radio Emergency Services are who we turn to when all other forms of communications fail during power outages. Volunteers must have a license from the FCC. They operate on other frequencies, so you wouldnt be able to hear ...

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Amateur Radio Classes and Exams - WCTV

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 12:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGkPq5CAUurVj57g_iaruLargAUsg&url=http://www.wctv.tv/templates/subCommunityEventPopup?c%3Dy%26ep%3D/community%26eid%3D163752776

Amateur Radio Classes and Exams
WCTV
Thomasville Amateur Radio Club will be holding classes for Technician, General, and Extra, with a test session following the classes. These classes will take place on August 18 and August 25, 2012. For more information, or directions, please see the ...

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Allardyce: West Ham's victory over Villans was deserved - talkSPORT.co.uk

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 10:56 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHU9xm84iAHTij9h7svh448rnmoOA&url=http://www.talksport.co.uk/sports-news/football/premier-league/120818/allardyce-west-ham%25E2%2580%2599s-victory-over-villans-was-deserved-178958

Belfast Telegraph
Allardyce: West Hams victory over Villans was deserved
talkSPORT.co.uk
West Ham manager Sam Allardyce has praised his team after they beat Aston Villa 1-0 in their opening game of the Premier League season, insisting they mastered their opponents tactics. The Hammers earned promotion straight back to the top tier of ...

Return of English Premier League overnightRadio Sport
Taylor Sets the Scene!Vitalfootball

all 541 news articles

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Radio Ham sets the record straight over mast appeal - Southgate Amateur
Radio Club

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 11:06 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEaRBaxOdhViuWtoYanjiy6TWHNpQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/radio_ham_wins_appeal_for_new_mast_statement.htm

Radio Ham sets the record straight over mast appeal
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Radio Ham sets the record straight over mast appeal. Last Saturday, we
carried a link to a story which appeared in the Glamorgan Gazette regarding
radio amateur Michael Butler GW0MNP who had his planning application for a
21 foot (6.5 m) mast rejected ...

1546. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 19 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-19 11:07:47 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec52e5f0fca26a504c79c668b@google.com>
Source record: 2213
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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SU30ASR Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/y5fwp3HrUxQ/su30asr_special_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD) members will be active from Abu Quear - Alexandria as SU30ASR from 24th August until 2nd September 2012. The special callsign is to celebrate the 30th Arab Scouts Camp

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Solar activity picks up

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5mD7eLmYE1Y/solar_activity_picks_up.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following a week of quiet, solar activity is picking up again with a series of M-class solar flares off the sun's northeastern limb

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Curiosity gets ready to rove Red planet

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NqEMzgTWlGk/curiosity_gets_ready_to_rove_red_planet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video report will update you with the Mars post-landing check out and preparations for the rover mission

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Rookie Roundup

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZwRHLxO9L50/rookie_roundup.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Created to give the budding operator a place to learn about contesting at an easier pace, the Rookie Roundup is a six hour contest open for all amateurs who have been licensed for three years or less; if you were licensed in 2010, 2011 or 2012, you qualify as a Rookie

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jvaNIRpMzb8/august_19.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is declining again.
There are currently few sunspot regions visible and none are posing a
threat for strong solar flares

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AMSAT at the ARRL New England Convention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0FRTS3JrlxY/amsat_at_the_arrl_new_england_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT will be at the ARRL New England Convention 24-26 August 2012. The
convention will be held at Holiday Inn in Boxborough, Massachusetts

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Beaming out greetings to world from Newport lighthouse

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/42P_YbVJ4Jg/beaming_out_greetings_to_world_from_newport_lighthouse.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South Wales Argus reports the Newport Amateur Radio Society are taking
part in a worldwide event this weekend from the East Usk Lighthouse

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G4AKC and G6UOI Pedestrian Mobile

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2XQ_oYRr1WE/g4akc_and_g6uoi_pedestrian_mobile.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Fernando EC1AME has made this video of QSOs between pedestrian portable
stations in the UK and a station in VK

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Radio Bangladesh on 7105 kHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-14zQfKXkt0/radio_bangladesh_on_7105%20khz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU Region 1 site reports that Radio Bangladesh is broadcasting in the
amateur radio 40m band

1547. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 19 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-19 16:44:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51f994d94cc7d04c7a11a3b@google.com>
Source record: 2214
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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RI0FM Moneron Island

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 05:32 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358298-RI0FM-Moneron-Island&goto=newpost

R3BY , RU5D , R7LP will be active from Moneron Island (IOTA AS-149) 28
August - 2 September 2012 as RI0FM

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...oneron-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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Inconsiderate Contesters

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 04:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358295-Inconsiderate-Contesters&goto=newpost

Just a little moan, We as amatuers have a vast spectrum of frequencies at
out disposal so what is it with some contest stations that they have to TX
rtty on the IARU beacon project frequencies, I can currently decode 9 rtty
signals on 14.100, If somebody started to tx a wide data mode like 2000Hz
wide MT63 on the same frequency as they were tx'ing they would be in
uproar. can we please set more stringent rules for contests so as to avoid
the beacons, I'm not against contests at all, I've taken part in several

Moan over

Steve

M0MVB

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ZD9KN Gough Island Tristan da Cunha Island

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 12:05 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358284-ZD9KN-Gough-Island-Tristan-da-Cunha-Island&goto=newpost

ZD9KN will be active from Gough Island and Tristan da Cunha Island until
30 September 2012

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-cunha-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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WS1SM Team to Activate Wood Island Lighthouse

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 06:53 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358272-WS1SM-Team-to-Activate-Wood-Island-Lighthouse&goto=newpost

Members of the Wireless Societyof Southern Maine will activate Wood Island Lighthouse for International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend (ILLW #US0141), beginning Sunday at 9 AM local time, (1300UTC). Wood Island also qualifies for IOTA #NA137 and U.S. Islands #ME103. Look for WS1SM on 7.140 SSB, 14.242 SSB, 146.520 FM, and others to be announced. Follow WS1SM on Twitter for live updates.

A special QSL card will be issued for contacts and SWLs.

For more information, please visit: http://www.qsl.net/ws1sm

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A little something for W9IMS in the spirit of the MotoGP event today

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 06:38 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358270-A-little-something-for-W9IMS-in-the-spirit-of-the-MotoGP-event-today&goto=newpost

Great contact earlier this evening on 40m. I found the event on accident while operating QRP from West Branch State Park in NE Ohio. Some friends were camping and I rode out for the day. The pic below was the mode of transportation. Definitely appropriate for the event ;)

Wish I could have gotten a picture at the park but the batteries in my phone were shot by then. The shoulder bag over the handlebar has my FT-817 and a battery. The satchel bungee'd on the back has a dipole, feed line, stakes and whatnot.

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Attached Images

20120818_201910.jpg
(2.26 MB)

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I I 9 P in CQWW SSB 2012 Contest

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 01:30 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358234-I-I-9-P-in-CQWW-SSB-2012-Contest&goto=newpost

II9P team has decided to participate once again in the upcoming CQWWDX SSB Contest. After CQWPX SSB contest we talked a lot and decided what should be changed on antennas and switching systems. Antonelo IT9EQO and the other guys from IT9 almost every free day use for working on II9P radio farm.

more on http://ii9p.com

73 de Romeo S52RU one of II9P team

1548. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1075

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-19 19:14:33 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <205960.69371.bm@smtp101.sbc.mail.bf1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2215
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1075
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1075

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1075
BID: $OPDX.1075
August 20, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, WA2HMM, NG3K & ADXO, W3BTX, W3UR & The Daily DX, K4ELV, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, W7XA, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, AT International, CT1FJZ, CX3AL, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, LZ1ZF, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, OK6DJ, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, SM1TDE, SM3CXS, SP5UAF, UR7UD, VA3RJ & ICPO, the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF), YB Land DX Club and YF1AR for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 12th-August, through Sunday, 19th-August there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 1S, 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, VU7, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5T0, MAURITANIA (Update). A group of Polish radio amateurs will be active as 5T0SP between November 24th and December 10th, from Mauritania. They've already got their license which was possible thanks to the great kindness

of the l'Autorit&#65533; de R&#65533;gulation of Mauretania and with a great help from Jean, 5T0JL. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Their license does not allow for 6 meters operations - perhaps it will change but it is not sure now. There will be a focus on JA and Far East. Operators mentioned are Bob/SP2EBG, Jan/SP3CYY, Jurek/SP3GEM, Wlodek/SP6EQZ, Ryszard/SP6FXY, Janusz/SP6IXF and Jean/5T0JL. They have not yet decided who will be the QSL Manager. It is not sure if they will have Internet access at their QTH. If they have access to the Internet, the logs will be uploaded daily to the ClubLog. Otherwise, logs will be uploaded to the ClubLog after the DXpedition.
The DXpedition's Web site is at: http://5t0sp.dxing.pl
You can find there the latest news and also take part in their survey for bands/modes most needed. Any other questions or suggestions can be sent to: 5t0sp@dxing.pl

5Z, KENYA. Eric, SM1TDE, will be active as 5Z4/SM1TDE from Diani Beach, Mombasa, between November 5-22nd. This will be a family vacation and activity will be limited to how much his XYL and kids allow. Activity will be on 40-10 meters on CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW. He thanks Ted, 5Z4NU, for getting his license application through the system. For more details, visit his HAM Blog at: http://www.sm1tde.bloggspace.se

8Q, MALDIVES. Juergen, OE4JHW, will be active as 8Q7OE from the Maldives between September 3-14th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using SSB and BPSK (mode at night). He will focus on stations from DL, HB0, HB9 and OE, as well as on North and South America. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Also, LoTW and eQSL.

9/11 SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS.....
* Members of the Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club (STARC), will be operational as N1Y, September 8th and 9th. Activity is commemorating the September 11th, 2001, terrorist attacks. They will be operating on 40/20/15 meters using CW and SSB, in the "General" portions of the bands. A special QSL may be had by sending a SASE to the QRZ.com address of W2SBL.

* Look for special event station N3U/Flt93 (N3U/United Flight 93) to be activated once again between September 8-13th, to remind "Amateur Radio Operators World-Wide" of the tragic events that happened near "Shanksville (Pa), New York City and Washington DC, on September 11, 2001." Operators mentioned are Bob/W3BTX and Roy/W3TEF. QSL N3U/Flt 93 via W3PN, by the Bureau or direct (Please include SASE and enough return postage. If additional postage is needed...your QSL will be returned via the BUREAU). For more details, QRZ.com.

* Look for Bob/W3BTX and Roy/W3TEF to be active as P49T (P49Towers) from Aruba between September 14-21st. QSL via W3BTX, by the W3 Bureau or direct. Don't QSL via the P4 Bureau or eQSL.

D2, ANGOLA. Paulo "Paul", CT1FJZ, informs OPDX that he is now in Angola and is expected to be there for one year working in Benguela and Huambo.

Look for him to be active as D2FJZ, mainly on the weekends and limited during the weekdays. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB using a TS-480S with 100 watts into a EZwire (160-10m) and CT-V5a vertical antenna (20/17/15/12/10m). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

DU1, PHILIPPINES. Alan, W7XA, will be active as DU1/W7XA near Tagaytay Ridge which is about 40 miles south of Manila between now and August 27th. Activity will be on 20/17/15 meters using mostly CW and some SSB depending on conditions. Alan informs OPDX that he will use 100 watts and a dipole only. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com).

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2012 - N6G Golden Gate Bridge 75th Anniversary:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v`gWOJ0T5Xo#!
2011 - FP Cambridge University Wireless Society DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vKfnO4TEPU
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vPmGdoc-6Q
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vQV62WvYIU
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vjdRPAIT-Q
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vFC7c4ABig
2011 - TP50CE Short DXpedition (Russian Op):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vkjDXL4wzY

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use and we will publish it.

EM0, UKRAINE (Special Event/WFF Op). Members of the Belotserkovsky Radio Club (BCRC) plan to be active as EM0UBC between August 24-26th. Activity is to celebrate the Ukraine's Independence Day, and the BCRC will operate from the territory of the National Park "Alexandria", National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (WFF Ukraine - URFF-91, Ukrainian Flora Fauna - UYFF-33). QSO also counts towards the "Ukrainian Rivers Award" (URA-034-Ros'River). QSL via UR4UXD. For more details, see: http://bcrc.at.ua

FT5W & FT5X, CROZET AND KERGUELEN. Gildas, TU5KG, will once again be active a TU5KG/MM in the vicinity of Crozet (FT5W?) and Kerguelen (FT5X?) during November and December. QSL via F4DXW.

HS, THAILAND. Dennis, K7BV, having recovered from a serious medical condition, is returning to Asia for a short visit between August 25th and September 2nd. He will be using his HS0ZKS callsign on HF bands from the home of John, HS1CHB, and hopes to QSO friends from around the world. Dennis may also get on the air from Japan as well using his call JF1XJR. QSL via K7BV's new QTH, 290 West Road, Turkey, NC 28393.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-149. Operators Gennady/R3BY, Max/RU5D and Oleg/R7LP will be active as RI0FM from Moneron Island (RR-16-01, RDA SL-16) sometime between late August/early September. Activity will be on the

HF bands. QSL via R3BY, by the Bureau or direct:
Gennady Arkhipov, p.Kommunarka, 102-4, Moskovskaya obl, 142770,
RUSSIA.

EU-008. (Update) Members of the Black Country DX & Contest Group will
be active as MS0OXE from the Isle of Tiree (IOSA NH04, SCOTIA
DI10, IO66ML, WAB NL94), in the Inner Hebrides Islands between
September 13-21st. Operators mentioned are Simon/M0VKY, James/
M0YOM, Drew/G7DMO, Brian/G0JKY and Terry/G4MKP. Activity will
be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via M0URX OQRS.
Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog, LoTW and eQSL. Visit their
Web site at: http://ms0oxe.webs.com
They would like to thank Anthony, MW0JZE, for the loan of one
of the hex beams they will be using:
http://www.g3txq-hexbeam.com

EU-064. Marc, F6HQP, will be active as F6HQP/p from Yeu Island (DIFM
AT21) between August 19-21st. QSL via the Bureau.

EU-176. Jorgen, SM3CXS, will once again be active as SG3U from Grimskar
Island between August 23-26th. Activity will be on CW and SSB,
probably on the IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign,
by the Bureau or direct and also LoTW.

EU-183. A group of Romanian operators will be active as YP1S from
Sacalinu Mare Island between August 23-29th. QSL via YO9FNP.

NA-039. Operators Etahn/K8GU, Kevin/KJ4OAP and Nathaniel/W2NAF will
be active as KL7/homecall from Adak Island between August 23rd
and September 12th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, including
the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW and SSB. QSL via their home
callsigns or LoTW.

SA-037. (Update) Member of the Grupo DX Caracas have rescheduled their
YW5B DXpedition to La Blanquilla Island between August 21-27th.
Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, FM, Satellites
and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is DM4TI.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 20-26th)....
Aug/20th HN-LN Aug/23rd AN Aug/25th HN
Aug/21st LN-HN Aug/24th HN Aug/26th HN-AN
Aug/22nd AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99

VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Bill, N6MW, and possibly 1-2 other operators (TBA) will be active as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila, south of the Pago Pago harbor area (to avoid mountain low angle cut off) between November 8-19th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using mainly CW, but some SSB and RTTY when things slow down. They will have 2 stations with one on the air 24/7. Focus is to work as many stations as possible, 160 meters and looking for EU. 15 meters is the anticipated prime band. QSL via LoTW. For direct and bureau QSL - TBA. For more details and updates, visit: http://n6mw.jimdo.com

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Anne, OH2YL, will be active as LX/OH2YL from Luxembourg between August 24-31st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW. QSL via her home callsign.

PB100, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). To commemorate 100th anniversary of the ITU Prefixes, look for special event station PB100PREFIX to be active between October 4-31st. QSL via PB0P. After the tragic loss of the Titanic (Callsign MGY, the, "M", is from the Marconi company) in April 1912, there was an acknowledgement that there should be international standards for radio communications. Therefore, the leading colonial countries planned several meetings in the aftermath of the loss of the Titanic. For more details, visit: http://www.PB100PREFIX.nl

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated August 19th)

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4X0A via 4X1VF CW5X via CX2ABC HP2TP via HP1RCP
5B/HA5SE via HA5SE DM0BARS via DL7UMG J68HZ via K9HZ
5W1SA via JA1DXA E51AIU via JJ8DEN KH6/JN3NYR via JN3NYR
6K0ON/4 via DS4DRT ED2SPS via EA2SPS LA6Q via LA9VDA
9A/LX9EG/P via LX1NO EE7NL via EA7NL LT5X via WD9EWK
9A/OE3WYC via OE3WYC EG1SAU via EA1HNP OE/DK7FK via DK7FK
9A/SP9MZH via SP9MZH EM0LH via US4LGW OG1G via R3AR
A41NK via A47RS EM3WFF via UT4WA PA2012DYK via PA3RGH
A60HD via NI5DX EW/US8ZAL via US8ZAL PJ5/K3TRM via K3TRM
A61AM via EA5ZD EW/UY5HF via UY5HF PP2/DL3SEZ via DL3SEZ
BG8GAM via BA4EG F/M0SLC via OM7PY SN10ZKD via SP2KDS
C5YK via ON3TZ F/ON7RU via ON7RU SP0CFF via SP2FAP
CP6/DF9GR via DF9GR HB0/E73CQ via E77E TF/EA3QP via EA3QP
CR5LSV via CT5KAO HB0/F5PAC via F5PAC TM89SARA via F5KCC
CR6LH via CT1GZB HF20RPL via SP9PRR ZP6CW via ZP6CU
CU1ARM via CT-Bureau HF20WW via SP9KRT
CW1R via CX1AA HG20SD via HA8PH

7O6T QSL STATUS. Bernie, W3UR, reports that the 7O6T QSL cards are expected to begin going out in September. For those who donated they have already sent the LoTW confirmations.

9M4SLL ON LOTW. Tim, M0URX, reports: "9M4SLL log has been uploaded to LoTW, there is currently a LONG delay on the LoTW system please wait for LoTW to process the file. Log has now been uploaded to Club Log online log search. Expeditions page."

QSL HOUSE CLEANING. Henryk, SM0JHF, reports, "I am retired now and can no longer afford sending all QSL cards automatically. I have in the past 50 years personally filled in and shipped more than 100k QSL cards for my activities using the following callsigns: SP5AHL (1960-1966), 3Z0L (1969), SP5PWK (1969-1974), SM0JHF (since 1978), SK0MT, SK0UX, K6JHF, C56JHF, S92JHF, D44CF, 9H3HF, F0HWF, VK2EHK, SV8/SM0JHF, TA0/SM0JHF, SM0JHF/HI3, SM0JHF/HI9, TK/SM0JHF, IS0/SM0JHF, 5B/SM0JHF, 6W/SM0JHF, VU3HKE and others." He will "clean house" and dispose of blank cards by the end of this year. If you need a card for any of the above call-signs, you need to contact him by E-mail: sm0jhf@gmail.com
He states, "Please do not send any QSL cards to me either direct or via any QSL bureau. I don't collect QSL cards and cards via bureau are destroyed at arrival. Send only a list, do not send any QSL cards, please."

The YB Land DX Club announces that the callsigns YB67RI and YB26SEAG are now available on Clublog's OQRS and LoTW.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 1A0C, 5C13KD, 9K2VO, 9M4SLL, A92IO, AA4NC, AY8A, CR6K, CT1HFS, CY9M, EA1EYG, F4BKV/P, FP/VA2WA, G5O, HG6N, HK0NA, II9P, JA1QOW, KH7Y, LU8ADX, ND3R, NK7U, NT8Z, OH2XX, PY1NB, PY4HO, PY5FB, RT0Q, RT5A, SM4OTI, SP1DMD, SP8VJV, ST0R, SV1NJA, UR3IFD, VE2OJ, VE6MBX and YR0HQ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 2O12L, 6O0CW, 6Y5WJ, 9M6XRO, AO5ANT, CO8LY, CX7CO, EA1BLX, ES9C, H44UD, HB9SVT, HC1MD, HL1IWD, HV0A, J52HF, JX5O, LU6EF, NH0Z, NN3W, RI1ANA, RI1ANA/MM, RI1ANR, UA1PBA/MM, UA6JCC, T32TX, T32XX, V73AX, VP2ETE, VP2MSN, VY0HL and YR0HQ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1B1AB, 3B8/F6HMJ, 3D2OU, 4L8A, 5W0OU, 8P5A, 9M2/JE1SCJ, A25SL, AH2R, AO6CHI, C56E, CN8PV, E51MAN, E51NOU, EA6BH, EA6SK, EB6VP, EA8AB, EA8AZ, EA8ADL, EA8AGF, EA8BED, EA8MT, EA8URL, EF8HQ, J25DXA, J28RO, J39A, J6/N7UN, J68UN, K6VVA/KL7, WJ2B/KP2, KP4ED, OG0Z, OH0Z, P40A, P4/W1HEO, PJ4/K5WE, T30UA, T30YA, T31A, TJ3IC, TO1BT, TO5T, TZ6EI, V25WY, V48M, V73BL, VK9XXY, VP2MSC, VP2MWG, VP9/K1XM, VQ9LA, WP4NYZ, WP4U, YI9PSE, Z2/K0YY, ZA/F4DTO, ZD8O, ZD8W, ZF2AH and ZF2EZ

R1000, EUROPEAN RUSSIA (Special Event). Look for special event station R1000M to be active between now and September 30th. Activity is to celebrate 1000th anniversary of the "Unity of the Mordovian People with Peoples of Russia State". Operators menitoned are Alexey/RA4UDC (RDA: MD-05), Dmitry/RA4UVK (RDA: MD-03), Andrey/RW4UW (RDA: MD-05) and Sergey/RZ4UZ (RDA: MD-04). QSL via the Bureau to QSL Manager RA4UVK. A free electronic "Mordovia-1000" award is available. Details about the award are available at: http://r4u.ucoz.net>r4u.ucoz.net
Details about the special event:
http://mineco.e-mordovia.ru/en/index.php?option=com_content&view=article

&idf1&ItemidG6

SPECIAL OPDX BULLETIN. If you missed OPDX.1074.1, containing press releases on the upcoming CY0 Sable Island DXpedition, ZL9HR Campbell Island DXpedition and how to become eligible to participate in an Azores lottery to win a two all-paid packages to the beautiful Azores Islands in the Atlantic, completely free of charge, go to the OPDX's Home page at: http://www.papays.com/opdx1074.1.html

SU30, EGYPT (Special Event). Members of the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD) will activate special event station SU30ASR from Abu Quear, Alexandria, to be on the air between August 24th and September 2nd. Activity is to celebrate the 30th anniversary of "Arab Scouts Radio Camp." Operations will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are Said/SU1SK, Atef/SU1AO and Ayman/SU1AR. QSL via SM5AQD. Visit the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society Facebook page to learn of upcoming activities and all news about ERASD at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Egyptian-Radio-Amateurs-Society-For-Development-ERASD/118552214859517

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Ilian, LZ1CNN (ex-YI9LZ), will be active as T6LG from Kandahar between September and February 2013. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL Manager is LZ1ZF. Postal address since September 1st, 2012, for LZ1ZF is: G. Vodenicharov, P.O. Box 25, 3600 Lom, BULGARIA. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW.

T8, PALAU. Ulf, DL5AXX, will once again go to Palau as a combined dive-radio-holiday. Operation will take place from the Palau rental shack <http://palau.rental-shack.com/english> between September 14-28th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using the callsign T8XX (CW) and T88UE (RTTY). The preferred QSL route is via the OQRS at: http://www.dl5axx.de/dxlog
By the Bureau and direct to the QRZ.com address is also "ok", but no LoTW or eQSL.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update). The 2014 Heard DXpedition Web page has posted the following:
"15 August 2012 PROJECT DESCRIPTION and TEAM UPDATES
We have posted updates of the Project Description (version 4.3) <http://www.cordell.org/HD/HD_pages/HD_Documents.html>
and the TEAM <http://www.cordell.org/HD/HD_pages/HD_Team.html>.
You will see in the Project Description that we have developed a wide-ranging scientific program, including radio operations (the DXpedition), real-time communications, mountain science, biological science, atmospheric science, astronomical science, documentatioin, and educational outreach.
We are proposing that the AAD collaborate on some of the research.
We have confirmation of the vessel Marion-Dufresne for the expedition, the same vessel we used for VK0IR in 1997. We will now be working with the AAD concerning the permit. We are interested in establishing a collaboration with any person or group that can fit into the research program (or extend it). The next NEWS update will be on Sept. 15. The next round of team members will be announced on October 15, but if you are interested

in joining the team (on the island or offsite), we invite you to contact us anytime."

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Operators (YL) Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will once again be on another DXpedition. This time they will be active as VP2MYL and VP2MGZ, respectively, from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) between November 5-19th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using RTTY, PSK31, PSK63 and SSB, on the usual DX frequencies. QSL via DL7AFS, by the Bureau or direct to: Baerbel Linge, Eichwaldstr. 86, D-34123 Kassel, Germany. For more information and updates, visit their Web site at: http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs/Index_VP2M.html

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS (Cancelled). Chuck, W4XP, who was expected to be active now as VQ9XP from the club station VQ9X on Diego Garcia Atoll (AF-006, WLOTA 1645, LOC MI62), reports: "I am sorry to report that the station has been placed off-limits by the installation Commander; therefore, I will not be operating from Diego Garcia on this trip."

YB, INDONESIA (IIHG Award). The Indonesia Islands Hunter Groups (IIHG) consists of DXers who are interested in making contacts with amateur radio operators in different islands of Indonesia. Membership of IIHG is free and is open to all interested amateur radio operators and SWL worldwide. There is no special requirements. IIHG sponsors several special and attractive operating awards. The main award is the Nusantara Award. The main goal of this award is to encourage amateur radio activities from as many different islands as possible in the vast archipelago of Indonesia. For complete details and rules on the Nusantara Award, visit the following Web pages: http://www.nusantaraaward.com http://www.ybdxc.net/2012/08/nusantara-award.html

ZA, ALBANIA. Operators Petr/OK1FCJ, Pavel/OK1DX and David/OK6DJ will be active as ZA/homecall between September 27th and October 3rd. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters, including 30/17/12 meters, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The team will also be active in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as ZA/OL8R. The equipment will be an Elecraft K3 and Kenwood TS850 into a SpiderBeam (20/15/10m), 40-10m vertical, 80m dipole and 160 meter LW. QSL ZA/OL8R and ZA/OK1FCJ via OK1DRQ, ZA/OK1DX via OK1DX, and ZA/OK6DJ to LoTW, eQSL, by the Bureau or direct to home callsign.

ZD9, GOUGH ISLAND. Look for Paul, ZD9KN, to be active from Gough Island (AF-030) until September 31st. He is there working as a radio/electronics technician. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using only SSB. His equipment is a Yaesu FT-2000 into a directive Multiband and Inverted V dipole. For now the QSL is only via LoTW. All information to receive a QSL card will be published very soon on QRZ.com. The log is also uploaded to ClubLog. LAST MINUTE UPDATE (Per QRZ.com): Paul states, "ZD9KN log will be uploaded in its entirety to LoTW within 1 year from the end of the DXpedition. The information for the QSL will be published after the end of the DXpedition. The QSL card is via my QSL Manager IZ0UIM or LoTW. The internet connection is not very good unfortunately, so there may be delays in response." Paul recommends that you check his log before sending

a QSL card because there are PIRATES using his callsign. There was a
report of a PIRATE on Sunday morning, August 19th, at 0955z.

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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
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1549. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 19th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-19 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120819200003.CD0B133C7E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2216
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 19th August 2012

Licence Examination

The next Amateur Station Licence Examination will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. The closing date for applications to sit this examination is Thursday, 20th September Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

SEARG theory classes continue to run every Wednesday night running up to the next exam in October and our monthly meetings take place in Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. on the last Monday of each month. New members are always welcome.

North Cork Radio Group

NCRG are pleased to announce their annual Radio Rally & Electronics Fair to be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork.

Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free). Raffle tickets will also be available at the door.

The usual traders will be present. Also, due to high demand, anyone wishing to reserve a table, or anyone interested in setting up a stall, should contact Pat Thompson (EI2GHB) on 085 1407715 or Edwin Van Mierlo (EI2HEB) on 086 3885741, or alternatively via email at ei2heb /at/ ei1nc.com, as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Cashota Ireland and Cashota

CASOTA- Ireland and CASHOTA - Castles and Stately Homes on the Air, will be holding its 2nd annual Heritage Month, throughout the last two weeks of August to encompass the Irish heritage Fortnight and the whole of September for the many Uk dates and regions. This award is open to anyone wishing to take apart either as an activating station or heritage chaser. All details of this event and CASHOTAS many other awards and events can be found at www.cashota.co.uk, with details for contacting the CASHOTA-Ireland Representative also being listed on the contacts page for Irish locations.

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin Radio Club meetings resume on Tuesday next, 21st August. SDR meets on a Tuesday from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm in the Ballyroan Community Centre, Marian Road, Rathfarnham. New members and visitors are always welcome.

Later this month, Ballyroan Community Centre is holding an Open Day, to enable users of the community centre to showcase their activities. SDR, along with IRTS, will have a stand at this event, which starts at 7.30 pm. on Tuesday 28th August.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

The Mayo Radio Experimenters will be taking part in the ILLW weekend activities.We will activate Blacksod Lighthouse, Belmullet, Co. Mayo.We will use the callsign EI0M /P . The Blacksod Lighthouse number isIE0008.Qsl cards through the Buro please.

Activities will commence at Blacksod from 1600 UTC Saturday 18th to 1600 UTC Sunday 19th approx times. Further information is available from www.illw.net and the clubs website ei7mre.org.

Vintage Radio Museum Howth

There will be a talk in the Hurdy Gurdy Museum of Vintage Radio in Howth on Tuesday 21st of August, at 11 AM, to launch the Martello Heritage Trail, given by Pat Herbert. Admission is free. Follow the link for more details. Click on the link :- http://bit.ly/RWO2TO , for more information.

Radio pollution caused by Powerline Technology (PLT)

G0NIG has released a video showing the radio pollution that is generated by existing PLT devices. The link to the video is :-http://bit.ly/Po5xLD

DX News

A special event station with the callsign SU30ASR will be QRV from Alexandria in Egypt from 24 August until 2 September. QSLs go via SM5AQD.

DXers who recently worked Alex UA9YAB as YV7 and YV5/UA9YAB will be saddened to hear of his death while still in Venezuela. It is thought that his death occurred as a result of a bite from a poisonous jellyfish. Our sympathy goes to his XYL Natalia and his two young children.

Last week we mentioned the prefix change for Niue Island in the Pacific. The former ZK2 prefix has been changed to E6. Two stations are due to activate Niue Island from 7 - 21 September. They are W7GJ and ZL1RS who will use the callsigns E6M and E6RS respectively.

Vlad UA4WHX continues with his travels and most recently has been active as EY8/UA4WHX. The length of stay in Tajikistan is unknown and QSLs go via the home call.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1550. eHam.net News for Sunday 19 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-19 22:02:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341001ec71fd04c7a58ce0@google.com>
Source record: 2217
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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School Notes: Students to Have Radio Contact with Space Station:

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28845

Indian Trails Middle School is preparing for an event that will allow students to contact an astronaut aboard the International Space Station via amateur radio. The event, scheduled for the week of Nov. 12, is being made possible through Amateur Radio on the International Space Station, NASA, international space agencies and worldwide amateur radio groups that coordinate scheduled radio contacts between astronauts aboard the space station and schools. The 10-minute live forum will bounce between students and astronauts as the astronauts orbit 250 miles above Earth.

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Amateur Event Continues to Pack 'Em In:

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28844

No motel rooms available for miles, packed restaurants, slow and heavy traffic -- all typical occurrences for a particular early May weekend here in Dayton. It's the annual "Hamvention," regarded as the hamfest of hamfests, attracting radio amateurs from virtually every state in the nation and many foreign countries -- more than 20,000 people most years. This is its 60th anniversary, and despite the poor economy, high cost of gasoline and the growing popularity of wireless Internet communication around the world, the three-day, in-person event shows no signs of slowing down.
And while this year's show was a little less dramatic than the last -- in 2011, someone out on the parking lot accidentally hacked into a sewer main while driving a tent stake -- there was still plenty of action and excitement throughout its three-day run.

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Into the Airwaves; Amateur Radio Hosts Broadcast from Lighthouse:

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28843

LORAIN -- Four amateur radio operators will spend the weekend broadcasting from the Lorain Lighthouse in a global event designed to promote the preservation of beacons of light. With global positioning systems and cell

phones, both lighthouses and amateur radio have become mostly forgotten, said Jeff Evans, founder of Lorain County Wireless Operators. However, when those advanced technologies fail, it is the older systems that people turn to, either for information or safe passage for boats. "When you look at something like amateur radio or the lighthouses, in both instances you have technology that has been around for decades and decades," he said. "We've seen many technologies come and go, but these continue to survive."

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QSO Radio Show Broadcasting Live on International Shortwave:

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 04:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28841

The QSO Radio Show is broadcasting Live today from the Huntsville Hamfest on International Shortwave stations WTWW 9480 KHz, WBCQ 9330 KHz, 7490 KHz from 11am - 3pm CDT

1551. [RAC-Bulletin] RAQI Communiqu 2012-03 - 2012-08-19 Amendment to the Ban of Cellular Telephone Use While Driving

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 03:46:54 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5031B2BD.7030708@rac.ca>
Source record: 2218
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAQI Communiqu 2012-03 - 2012-08-19
Amendment to the Ban of Cellular Telephone Use While Driving

The ban on the use of cellular telephones while driving came into force in April 2008. Since that time different police departments have issued tickets for the use of various types of devices which could be construed as telephone systems. Those who have received these tickets have vigorously contested them. The courts which have heard these cases have expanded considerably on the meaning of the law to include a multitude of communications equipment far from being cellular telephones.

RAQI has periodically made representations to various government authorities with a view to excluding amateur radio equipment from the ban on the use of cellular telephones while driving. On different occasions such as the RAQI nets or when meeting with club members RAQI has explained that the SAAQ and the Ministry of Transport were waiting to see in which direction the courts would interpret the cellular telephone law.

RAQI has also pointed out that radio amateurs are not the only group affected by the wider interpretation of the courts. For example, among others, the Ministry of Transport itself, Hydro Qu bec and many others cannot use their radio communications equipment in their own vehicles.

After four years of uncertainty the situation has now been clarified by amendments to the Highway Safety Code which came into effect this past June 6. The new article 439.1 of the code reads as follows:

439.1. No person may, while driving a road vehicle, use a hand-held device that includes a telephone function.

For the purposes of this section, a driver who is holding a hand-held device that includes a telephone function is presumed to be using the device.
This prohibition does not apply to drivers of emergency vehicles in the performance of their duties.

The first paragraph does not apply to a two-way radio, that is to say a cordless voice communication device which does not allow the parties to speak simultaneously.

The Minister may, by order, determine other situations or types of devices to which the prohibition set out in the first paragraph does

not apply.

 The underlined text is the two paragraphs added on June 6, 2012.

The legislature has retained the spirit of the 2008 law to prevent the use of cellular telephones by the general public while driving without restricting those using radio communications systems which were already in use before the arrival of cellular telephones, such as amateur radio.

RAQI is proud to have contributed, by its representations to the authorities concerned, to the clarification of the text of the law banning the use of cellular telephones while driving and permitting ALL QUEBEC RADIOAMATEURS and not just members of RAQI to continue to use their mobile communications equipment in their vehicles as they always have.

RAQI hopes that the radio amateur community recognizes the importance of a strong provincial association and the support it provides.

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1552. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 20 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 11:08:40 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <0016e68ea06ac09f5604c7b08796@google.com>
Source record: 2219
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radio Amateur reaches Mongolia in Fiat Panda

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Despite a small war in Tajikistan, Neil Melville PA9N and Helen Woolnough
driving their 9 year old 1.1 litre Fiat Panda, have now made it to Mongolia

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Good result for the ILLW

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Many thanks to the record number of registered stations for the 15th annual
International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. In the lead on
registrations was Australia very closely followed by the US, Germany,
England and the Netherlands

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Cambridge EME Conference in Australian press

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GssUBst5NPg/cambridge_eme_conference_in_australian_press.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sydney Morning Herald reports on the amateur radio Earth-Moon-Earth
(EME) conference held August 15-19 in Cambridge, UK

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Amateur Radio Technical Article Archive

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6ID3uUfaB8E/amateur_radio_technical_article_archive.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For the past 13 years John G8MNY has been producing technical bulletins for
distribution by Packet Radio, now the collection of articles is available
on the web

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BMdcf1_wFyw/dxcc_report_2008.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
12th-August, through Sunday, 19th-August there were 220 countries active

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Operations at 2O12L

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Operations at 2O12L (Two-oscar-one-two-London) the flagship station
celebrating the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games have been
progressing beyond the expectations of the organisers

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Vintage Radio Museum Howth

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Dq9AoDmdisM/vintage_radio_museum_howth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There will be a talk in the Hurdy Gurdy Museum of Vintage Radio in Howth on
Tuesday 21st of August, at 11 AM, to launch the Martello Heritage Trail,
given by Pat Herbert

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4trIfAHE6o4/august_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
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CASOTA- Ireland and CASHOTA - Castles and Stately Homes on the Air, will be
holding its 2nd annual Heritage Month, throughout the last two weeks of
August to encompass the Irish heritage Fortnight and the whole of September
for the many Uk dates and regions

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Amendment to the ban of cellular telephone use while driving

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The ban on the use of cellular telephones while driving came into force in
April 2008. Since that time different police departments have issued
tickets for the use of various types of devices which could be construed as
telephone systems

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Strategy and Governance Proposals

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The RSGB are now in the final week for comments on the Strategy and
Governance proposals

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1553. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 19th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 12:00:13 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120820120003.90EDC33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2220
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 19th August 2012

The news headlines:

* Deadlines for consultations at RSGB

* Final days of 2012 International lighthouse and lightship operations

* Changes to GB3RS news readings

The deadline for comments on the Strategy and Governance proposals is tomorrow, Monday 20 August. Members can make any final comments in the new "Last Call" topics. The Contest Committee has started a consultation on proposals for next year's General Contest Rules. For access and further information on both, please follow the "We need your Views" link on the RSGB's Home page.

More than 400 lighthouses in almost 50 countries and territories from Argentina to Wales will be on the air again today, 19 August, for 2012 International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend. Organised by the Ayr Amateur Radio Group, the event is in its 15th year. Stations will be on the air until 2359UTC on the 19th.

Some changes are being made to the GB2RS news readings on 80m affecting listeners in the South of England and Wales. Currently the news is broadcast at 9am on both 3640 and 3650kHz. Effective in two weeks time the 3640kHz reading at 9am will be discontinued and a bulletin comprising of National news, plus regional items for East Anglia, the South East, South West and Wales will go out at 9am only on 3650kHz. The 1800hours National reading on 3650kHz will be discontinued, because there are adequate national readings on 7MHz, 5MHz and 1.99MHz. The RSGB Members' website Broadcast Schedule is being updated. Incorporating all the regional news in the 30-minute time slot may put pressure on the news readers, so please show them some forbearance. If there are some propagation weaknesses in some areas, the VHF and UHF news schedules remain unchanged. Co-incident with these changes, Martyn, G3RFX has stood down as a GB2RS news reader, and he is thanked for his 17-years of dedication to the news service.

The RSGB Convention early bird bookings have been extended to close on 3rd September. Highlights of the programme that includes lectures on the HK0NA DXpedition can be found on the RSGB website. For bookings, visit www.rsgbevents.org.

The IARU Monitoring System Region 1 newsletter reports on a new burst radio system that is affecting the amateur radio operations in the 80, 40, 20 and 15m bands. The IARU Region 1 Monitoring System Coordinator says that the system is active every full hour at plus 1, plus 2 and plus 3 minutes with 10.4 second bursts of 20kHz width. Also, the signals appear to come from France. Audio frequency analysis seems to pin this as being similar to CODAR signals. Germany's Department of Post and Telecommunications has filed a complaint with its French counterpart.

On 3 August the ITU updated its Table of International Callsign Series to reflect a callsign change for Niue Island. In future, callsigns will be issued with the prefix E6 instead of ZK2. Niue Island has a population of about 600 and lies approximately 1700 miles northeast of New Zealand. It is a self-governing island and has been in free association with New Zealand since 1974.

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Today, 19 August, the Rugby (Princethorpe) Annual Radio Rally takes place at Princethorpe College, Princethorpe, Rugby CV23 9PX. Doors open from 10am to 4pm, and admission is £2. Contact Tony, G0OLS on 07759 684 411 for more details.

On Sunday 26 August the Milton Keynes ARS rally takes place at Bletchley Park, Sherwood Drive, Bletchley, Milton Keynes MK3 6EB. Doors open at 9.30am and admission is £2. Parking is available on Sherwood Drive or at the railway station. There will be trade stands and special interest groups.

On bank holiday Monday, 27 August, Huntingdonshire ARS rally will take place at St Neots Community College, Barford Rd, St Neots PE19 2SH. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, car boot area and a Bring & Buy. Contact Clive, G3NKQ on 01480 810 473.

Now for the news of special events

South Tyneside Amateur Radio Society will be operating as GB2SJ from Souter Lighthouse, Coast Road, Whitburn, Sunderland, SR6 7NH today, 19th August.

Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group will be operating GN0LIX/P from Chaine Memorial Tower in Larne, County Antrim today, 19 August, as part of the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. The station will be active on 20m, 40m and 10m SSB, conditions permitting. All QSL will be via the bureau.

A pair of twinned Special Event Stations, GB175PO and TM175PO, will be running in Dover and Calais to celebrate 175 years of P&O. Operation starts on 11 August and will be running for 30 days. Both stations will have the opportunity to work /MM from ferries at various times during the operation.

Kent Weald Radio Club is operating GB1HA from Friday 24 August until Sunday 2 September. The event is part of sponsored activities being held at the Headcorn Aerodrome, Kent, in aid of the air ambulance and other local charities, and to demonstrate amateur radio to any visitors. Operations will be on HF and VHF and is open to visits from the public through to 2 September.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

IZ2WMW will be on the air stroke 9A from Krk Island until 25 August. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

Ron, DL4ME will be on holiday in Tanzania until 3 September. While there he will operate as 5H3ME mainly on CW.

A YL expedition by Unni, LA6RHA, Chantal, PA5YL, Ruth, IT9ESZ/HB9LFM, Nicky, MM5YLO, Elaine, 2E1BVS and Denise, MM6ZDW is operating from Fair Isle until 22 August. GB2YLS will be on the HF bands using SSB and CW. QSL via MM5YLO either direct or via the bureau.

Mike,DL4ABO will be on the air from Foehr Island until 25 August. Using the callsign DL4ABO/P he will work on the HF bands in holiday style. QSL via his home callsign either direct or via the bureau.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 20 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Mike, VK7FB and Anne, VK7BYL will be on the air from the weather station and the lighthouse of Tasmania until 25 August. The lighthouse is in the National Park Tasmania. They will be on the HF bands with an IC- 7000.QSL via VK7FB either direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

On 21 August the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

August is the first month of the new 80m Club Sprint series, which continues until November. The SSB leg takes place on Thursday 23 August. The whole series is limited to 100 watts output. Running from 1900 to 2000UTC, the exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name.

The UK©G's Cumulative Contest on Sunday 26th takes place on 5.7GHz, 10GHz and 24GHz. It's the fourth in the series, with the final taking place next month. Running from 1000 to 1600UTC the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest takes place the same day, with awards for the leading non-EI station in each of the six sections of this 2-hour event. These awards often go to stations in GI, but if you have a good takeoff across the sea to Ireland it's definitely worth a try. Also, if you're a VHF `square basher' and have missing squares in Ireland, it

could be a good afternoon to work some of them. Running from 1300 to 1500UTC using SSB and FM, the exchange is signal report and serial number. EI and GI stations also give their county.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 10th to Thursday the 16th of August, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 17th August.

At the start of the period seven sunspot groups were visible, however, some decayed and disappeared and others rotated out of view but by the 15th only two groups were still visible. Solar activity was moderate on the 11th when the only M class solar flare of the period took place. In contrast, solar activity was very low on the 12th and the 15th and the remaining days activity was low. Solar flux levels declined from 125 units on the 10th to 98 by the 16th. The average was 110 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 16th was 126, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from B3.6 units on the 10th to B1.7 by the 15th. The average was B2.7 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet everyday except for the 13th with an Ap index of 10 units due to a coronal hole disturbance and on the 16th when the Ap index was 12 units due to a small coronal mass ejection in association with the M1 solar flare from the 11th. The average was Ap 7 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from a slow 280 kilometres per second on the 10th to a fast 570 kilometres per second by the 14th. Particle densities were low everyday except for a brief increase to 30 particles per cubic centimetre during the afternoon of the 12th. On the quiet days Bz varied between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas and between minus a minus 6 and plus 8 nanoTeslas on the most disturbed day. A few station at high latitudes reported a weak aurora on the 13th, 14th and the 16th on 50 and 144MHz. Occasional and patchy sporadic-E took place on 50 and 70MHz.

And finally the solar forecast. This week solar activity is expected to be low at first but could increase to moderate levels later in the week as previous active regions rotate back into view. Solar flux levels should increase and by next weekend be in the 120's or the 130's. Geomagnetic activity could be unsettled today due to a small recurring coronal hole. Activity should then return to quiet levels for the remainder of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 13MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 22MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90

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And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS On Sunday 19 August Wythall Radio Club will be running a Special Event Station at Wythall Carnival. On Tuesday 21st there's a Free 'n' Easy evening at the club. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Monday 20 August Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is holding a general discussion. Information from Albert, G0KFS on 01922 614 169

On Monday 20 August Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club will hold an SSB club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. On the 22nd there's a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR repeater and on Friday 24th there's an HF Club net on 3.748MHz. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

On Monday 20 August Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a slide show by Andy Hawkins K4GKK, G4GKK, KI4EIO and VP8QI entitled An Amateur working in Antarctica 1977 thru to 1982. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime for more information.

On Monday 20 August Lincoln Short-Wave Club LSWC is holding a committee meeting in the Shack at 7.30pm. On the 21st the club will take part in the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest. The 23rd is a formal meeting until 9pm then operating until 10.30pm and on Friday there's a simplex club net on 145.375MHz from 8pm. Finally, for this week, on 25 August the Saturday Surgery will be in the shack from 9am. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Monday 20 August South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and on the 24th it's shack and aerial work. Contact Don on 01214 581 603.

On Monday 20 August Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having an open evening and junk sale at Great Bowden Village Hall. On the 24th and 25th GB4GBF will be on the air for Great Bowden Festival. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 21 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society will be enjoying a video show. Details from Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 21 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club will be looking at vintage transistor portables, visitors are invited to bring something along. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 22 August Midland Amateur Radio Society has a general meeting when the shack will be open. Details from Norman, G8BHE on 07808 078 003.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 20 August 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday 22 August South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday 22 August Telford & District Amateur Radio Society will be preparing for Hamfest. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 23 August Central Radio Amateur Circle will be enjoying a night on the air on 145.300MHz from 8pm. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by e-mail to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Thursday 23 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a fox hunt. Details on the club website at www.salop- ars.org.uk.

On Friday 24 August Coventry Amateur Radio Society has a visit to Coventry model railway society. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

On Monday 20 August Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club invites members and visitors to come along and prepare to take part in the contest taking place in two weeks on 1 and 2 September. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 20 August Bolton Wireless Club has a talk on A Visit to Friedrichshafen with Richard, G4HGI. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 20 August Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding the final SSB Field Day preparations as well as watching a video. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 20 August South Manchester Radio and Computer Club will have the monthly technical forum and on the 23rd is watching the Secret War DVD. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Tuesday 21 August Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding committee meeting No 3. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 22 August Denby Dale Radio Club is having a night on the air from 7.30pm on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 22 August Goole Radio and Electronics Society is holding an antenna test session. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Wednesday 22 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on High Performance Receivers by M0HCN and is taking part in the 80m Club Sprint SSB on the 23rd Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday 23 August Northumbria ARC are having a surplus equipment sale starting at 7pm. Visitors are invited to bring any of their own items for sale too. Contact Roy McCluskey by e-mail roymccluskey@hotmail.co.uk.

On Thursday 23 August Wakefield & District Radio Society will be taking part in a debrief regarding Woolley Edge. More details from Ken, G8FSO on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 24 August East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a night on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Tuesday 21 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 22 August Lothians Radio Society is holding an informal pub night. Contact Alan J. Masson, GM3PSP, 0131 623 4580.

On Thursday 23 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a rag chew evening. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA Advance notice now of the next Advanced revision course run by the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society that starts Thursday, 25 October. This short revision course is aimed at those who have already studied at home or elsewhere. For more details speak to Clive, G1EUC on 01245 224 577.

On Sunday 19 August Farnborough & District Radio Society is holding a slow CW net on 3.570MHz, a 2m net on 144.675MHz, starting at 8pm on the 21st and, on the 24th, an 80m CW net on 3.570MHz starting at 1pm and a Top Band net on 1.995MHz starting at 8pm. All are welcome to join in. Neville, G3SPD, 01252 404816.

On Monday 20 August Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society has an aerial clinic. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 20 August Burnham Beeches Radio Club is on the air and has a Natter Nite. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday 20 August East Kent Radio Society has no meeting. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 20 August Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a Natter and Fix it night. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 21 August Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 21 August Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a BBQ event organised by G8ITB. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday 21 August Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society has a QSL Night, members and visitors are asked to bring along their favourite cards. Information from Martin, M0XJP on 07973 793770.

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On Tuesday 21 August Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is hearing about the DX University from Roger Western, G3SXW. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Wednesday 22 August Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air & has a Club Net on 2m via GB3VA & GB3AL. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 22 August Darenth Valley Radio Society is preparing for HF Field Day. The club is looking for licensed operators who would like to help them. Details from Bob, M0RAW, 01322 663804 by e-mail to m0raw-bob@talktalk.net

On Wednesday 22 August Hastings Electronics and Radio Club has an away-day to the British Vintage Wireless Society's Museum in Dulwich. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday 22 August Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society will be visited by Dr. Colin Forsyth who will give a presentation on the Sun and its effects on radio propagation. On Saturday 25th the club will be operating GB4CBE from Crofton Beam Engines. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday 22 August Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is watching T32C and 3B7C - The stories in video. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 22 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding the club barbeque evening and on the 23rd is taking part in the 80m SSB Sprint contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 23 August Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a talk by the Chairman on How is the year going so far? Details from Charles G4VSZ on 0798 2244788.

On Thursday 23 August Edgware & District Radio Society is having a natter night. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 23 August Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is preparing for the annual rally. Information from David Leech, G7DIU on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday 23 August Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Steve, G0KVZ on 01268 552606.

On Friday 24 August Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on a 400 watt single valve homebrew 2m linear by Dave, G6KWA. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday 24 August Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is holding an HF night on the air. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 24 August Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA on 01444 232129.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

On Monday 20 August Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and operating club station. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Monday 20 August Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding an HF net on 3,675kHz at 7.45pm, then on the 21st a 2m net on 145.575MHz at 7.45pm. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 20 August Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Alan Wyatt G2DXU, by e-mail to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 20 August Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a talk on juke box restoration. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday 22 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 23 August Cornish Radio Amateur Club is setting up the antennas at for the Volkswagen Jamboree at Stithians, then on Friday 24th GB2VWJ will be on the air over the weekend at the Jamboree. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday 23 August the Swindon & District Amateur Radio clubroom is closed. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 23 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is holding a portable VHF evening in car park 6, 4 & 2. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 24 August North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on beverage antennas by Dick G0XAY. Details from Dick, G0XAY on 01454 218362.

On Friday 24 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night with a TARS 80m Net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Monday 20 August Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding an SSB Field Day planning session. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 21 August Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society has an open night. Information from Lloyd, 2W0LLT on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday 21 August Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is planning a night out to a pub playing radio on route. Details from Mike Bryant, GW6NLP by e-mail to gw6nlp@gmail.com

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1554. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 19 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 12:35:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447968fc0c2d804c7a94b19@google.com>
Source record: 2221
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Funds available for amateur radio operators - Cedarrepublican

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 08:21 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH8i54hJ7XodOGAQkJYZ-xud2M6xg&url=http://cedarrepublican.com/news/funds-available-for-amateur-radio-operators/article_f127f04a-e6eb-11e1-ae2c-0019bb2963f4.html

Funds available for amateur radio operators
Cedarrepublican
Amateur radio (or HAM) operators across southwest Missouri now have a
resource to help repair or replace equipment through the Southern Missouri
Emergency Communications Fund, established by the 145.49 Repeater Group.
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Big bounce better than Olympics and sex - Stock and Land

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 01:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEMzz9FfvDajloifKbbZFmTKirOXQ&url=http://sl.farmonline.com.au/news/world/world/general/big-bounce-better-than-olympics-and-sex/2619776.aspx

Big bounce better than Olympics … and sex
Stock and Land
The delegates included amateur radio licensees from all walks of life:
doctors, engineers, lawyers, and an American Nobel physics laureate, Joe
Taylor. Brian Coleman, who is on the British organising committee, believes
they have one thing in common.

and more

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Amateur Event Continues to Pack 'Em In - Radio World

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 08:20 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHCmA-w_lqt_QNNaeEpTRahpSj-FA&url=http://www.rwonline.com/article/amateur-event-continues-to-pack-%25E2%2580%2599em-in/214938

Amateur Event Continues to Pack Em In
Radio World
Foot traffic was high inside Hara Arena, the venue for this ham radio show
of shows, making it hard to get around, just like in the NAB Shows glory

days. An untold number of dollars change hands here, both for the latest shiny new radio gear from ...

1555. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 13 - 19 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 15:30:09 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120820153001.E17F333C7E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2222
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Aug 20 0630 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
13 - 19 August 2012

Solar activity has been at very low to high levels. Two active
sunspot regions dominated the summary period. Region 1543 (N21,
L=21, class/area Hhx/360 on 16 August) was the most active region
from 13-16 August, producing multiple C-class solar flares. Many of
these events were associated with discrete radio frequency bursts,
Type II and Type IV radio sweeps, suggesting CME liftoff. Due to the
location of Region 1543, many of the CME&rsquo;s were Earth-directed
but very little effects were forecast upon arrival at Earth. Region
1543 decayed from a beta-gamma to a simple beta group during the
summary period. On 17 August, from around the east limb, multiple
M-class solar flares were observed, including an M2.4 x-ray event at
17/1319 UTC as well as an M1 x-ray event at 17/1720 UTC. On18
August, five more M-class solar flares were observed, the largest
being an M5/Sf x-ray flare at 18/0102 UTC with an associated 120 sfu
Tenflare. As the day progressed, Region 1548 (N20, L=232, class/area
Cso/120 on 18 August) was numbered and determined to be the active
region responsible for all of the M-class events. From 16-18 August,
multiple CME&rsquo;s were observed in LASCO C2 imagery, all appeared
to originate from Region 1548. Due to the location around the east
limb, none of these CME&rsquo;s were forecast to arrive at Earth.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal to moderate levels during the period

Geomagnetic field activity was at predominantly quiet to active
levels throughout the summary period. Quiet to unsettled levels
prevailed from 13-16 August as solar wind speeds, as measured by the
ACE spacecraft, remained at nominal background levels. An increase
to quiet to unsettled levels with isolated active periods were
observed from 17-19 August. Weak CME effects were observed on 17
August and late on 18 August, measurements from the ACE spacecraft
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indicated a solar sector boundary (SSB) crossing. Following the SSB, coronal hole effects were observed on 19 August with solar wind speeds, increasing from below 400 km/s to almost 600 km/s

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
20 August - 15 September 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a slight chance for more M-class events from 20-31 August as Region 1548 continues to evolve and rotate across the disk. A return to predominantly low levels is expected to prevail from 01-15 September.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be normal levels from 20-21 August. An increase to high flux levels is expected from 22-26 August. A return to normal - background levels is expected to prevail for the remainder of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at mostly quiet levels with a few brief periods of quiet to unsettled levels due to recurrent coronal hole high speed stream effects. From 20 - 22 August, 25-25 August, 08-09 September, and 15 September quiet to unsettled levels are expected. For the remainder of the forecast period, mostly quiet levels are expected to prevail.

1556. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 20 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 16:29:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc0c7d2d84904c7b50383@google.com>
Source record: 2223
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Joel Kleinman, N1BKE - QST Managing Editor, SK

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 06:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358393-Joel-Kleinman-N1BKE-QST-Managing-Editor-SK&goto=newpost

I don't know if I've seen Joel active here, but I know he has many friends across the country so I thought I'd pass the news along (it has already been published in our local newspapers).

Joel was a kind man and willing to share his work with anyone who asked questions. He just spoke at our local club (where he was a member) about the migrations the ARRL is making with digital versions to QST. Great presentation and he had a lot of enthusiasm for QST's future merging print and technology.

It appears there was a fire and people nearby were able to extricate his wife from the house, but not Joel. I won't repeat the entire article, but here is the link:

http://www.myrecordjournal.com/merid...a4bcf887a.html

The address in the article matches his call address on record.

Rest in peace OM.....

Jonathan

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The World Wide Repeater Directory now support ircDDB Dstar Nodes and also MotoTurbo

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 08:04 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358309-The-World-Wide-Repeater-Directory-now-support-ircDDB-Dstar-Nodes-and-also-MotoTurbo&goto=newpost

For immediate release

8/19/2012

From the shack of W2CYK

In our constant pursuit of supporting all repeaters worldwide, no matter what technology used for repeating, we have added a weekly feed of new ircDDB Dstar nodes and MotoTurbo nodes. They are designated as (ircDDB)

and (TRBO) respectively in the World Wide Repeater Directory. Information about those nodes can now be viewed in the RFinder family of repeater locators on Android, iPhone/iPad/iPod, Web and GPS POI's as well as our third party developers RT Systems and CHIRP.

Bring a Friend to The World Wide Repeater Directory (WWRD) Promo still running for details click here

RFinder runs on iPhone/iPad/iPod and Android and http://web.rfinder.net.
The World Wide Repeater Directory is also accessible from RTSystems radio programmers and via CHIRP on Windows, Linux and Macintosh with the same user/password you use on handheld devices. Our goal is to have the WWRD accessible from most pervasive platforms. To that end Windows Phone and Symbian versions are in development and slated for release this fall. The web version has been tested and works on Blackberry. RFinder web has downloads for POI□s for TPE and most major GPS□s, including AvMap G5/G6, the GPS for Amateur Radio Operators.

Android Pad format is now in development, look for it in September!

1557. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 20 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 16:48:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447f3c6f665c204c7b545ad@google.com>
Source record: 2224
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Get Ready To WOTA !

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 02:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358364-Get-Ready-To-WOTA-!&goto=newpost

With August Bank Holiday almost upon is, it is time to get ready for the WOTA (Wainwrights On The Air) Activity Week. Yes - you have read that correctly ..... one whole week.

Following on from the very successful launch of WOTA Activity Weekend last year, which despite the adverse weather conditions that greeted some of our Activators across the Lake District over that weekend, during which a total of 29 summit activations and 459 QSO's were logged, we are running the event again this year.

Patterdale It will now become a permanent annual event for WOTA.

Taking into account the Olympics and Paralympics, school holidays, this years poor weather and the fact that we want even more people to be able to come and take part this year, the decision has been made to extend this special event to just over a week long.

This will give members, and non-members wanting to try out WOTA for the first time, a far great opportunity to participate at a pace to suit themselves and their commitments during the holiday period, the weather and give greater flexibilty to those that wish to book accomodation during this period.

WOTA Activity week will run from Saturday 25th August throught until Sunday 2nd September inclusive.

Orrest Head

All we need now if for Summer to finally arrive !

We look forward to working eveyone during the event

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WOTA Management Team

www.wota.org.uk

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Attached Images

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(4.1 KB)

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Aruba P49T 9/11 Special Event Station

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 01:30 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358347-Aruba-P49T-9-11-Special-Event-Station&goto=newpost

W3BTX and W3TEF will be active from Aruba 14-21 September 2012 as P49T (P49Towers 9/11 Special Event Station)

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-station_2012/

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1558. eHam.net News for Monday 20 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-20 22:19:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51718f11a4a1c04c7b9e629@google.com>
Source record: 2225
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Some Lesser-Known Heroes: American Radio League Holds State Convention:

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 05:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28848

The ARRL, better knows as the American Radio Relay League, held their state convention Saturday evening at Jackson's Mill in Weston. We all know organizations like 911 centers and The American Red Cross, are who we turn to in emergencies. But there's also some lesser-known heroes, who don't get as much praise. Volunteers for the Amateur Radio Emergency Services are who we turn to when all other forms of communications fail during power outages. Volunteers must have a license from the FCC. They operate on other frequencies, so you wouldn't be able to hear them on your regular radio stations. They also know Morse Code. Some situations they've helped out with in the past include blackouts,Hurricane Katrina, and locally-the huge storms that hit us back in June. Organizers told us what they do when emergency situations hit. Anne Rinehart, the ARRL WV Section Manager says,"We're usually notified by the Office of Emergency within the county, or by 911, asking us to activate. At that time, we would try to get up NET, which is a gathering of the amateurs together to get the info they would need, what was going on in the area. We need to know about the different weather types of things going on, whether somebody needed some medicine-that type of thing."

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Cool Twitter Project Sends Morse Code Using Tweets:

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 05:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28847

Trying to think up a unique way to incorporate Twitter into your next college project? Well, Ana Catharina Marques, Kostantinos Frantzis and Markus Schmeiduch came up with a pretty cool idea: Morse code through Twitter.

1559. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 20 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-21 02:41:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6142029f93a004c7bd9098@google.com>
Source record: 2226
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio flea market brings in a crowd - Carroll County Times

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 09:00 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEyfaZ4OYfyO3OwBT7H0G0Rv66gWA&url=http://www.carrollcountytimes.com/news/local/amateur-radio-flea-market-brings-in-a-crowd/article_8c68188f-4c14-5c71-a819-32dd77dad060.html

Amateur radio flea market brings in a crowd
Carroll County Times
... bright and early on Sunday morning. Kriston was looking to sell items, and said he sold a fair amount of his ham operated radios. Amateur radio is a long-standing hobby from the early 1900s, in which those with a ham radio can interact with one ...

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Norfolk Amateur Radio Club transmits from Happisburgh Lighthouse for special ... - Norwich Evening News

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 11:04 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEE8df51dy0ArfT-hWB-scnODoyvg&url=http://www.eveningnews24.co.uk/news/norfolk_amateur_radio_club_transmits_from_happisburgh_lighthouse_for_special_event_1_1487395

Norwich Evening News
Norfolk Amateur Radio Club transmits from Happisburgh Lighthouse for special ...
Norwich Evening News
The Norfolk Amateur Radio Club (NARC) ran the special event station at the 222 year-old working lighthouse using the call sign GB0HL. Visitors were invited to watch them at work as they communicated with people from as far away as Latvia, France and ...
Into the airwaves; Amateur radio hosts broadcast from lighthouseThe Morning Journal
Radio operating group staying in lighthouseChronicle-Telegram
CQ Lighthouse, CQ LighthouseEvanston Now
South Wales Argus -Harwich and Manningtree Standard -Southgate Amateur Radio Club
all 11 news articles

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HAM operators have field day at Pulicat - Deccan Chronicle

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 10:22 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGsUed2MBLCLbrix6k9KKzvrvSikw&url=http://www.deccanchronicle.com/node/150418

Deccan Chronicle
HAM operators have field day at Pulicat
Deccan Chronicle
The lighthouse at Pulicat was abuzz with activity with a team of amateur radio operators setting up a special radio station to commemorate the international lighthouse and lightship weekend on Saturday. About 500 HAM radio operators from various parts ...

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Amateur Radio Technical Article Archive - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 11:47 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHhHJ74Yot6mU00qSYYtOtLD3-Nqg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/amateur_radio_technical_article_archive.htm

Amateur Radio Technical Article Archive
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio Technical Article Archive. For the past 13 years John G8MNY has been producing technical bulletins for distribution by Packet Radio, now the collection of articles is available on the web. The articles cover a wide range of subjects ...

1560. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 21 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-21 06:09:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93997c98f79c304c7c079e9@google.com>
Source record: 2227
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Shelby NC hamfest Sept 1 and 2nd?

Posted: 20 Aug 2012 04:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358426-Shelby-NC-hamfest-Sept-1-and-2nd&goto=newpost

Is the shelby hamfest still sced to be on this weekend?

Thanks

1561. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 21 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-21 11:08:03 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d04478a0d3af92904c7c4a36c@google.com>
Source record: 2228
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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QST Managing Editor killed in house fire

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4vze9OXlKpY/qst_managing_editor_killed_in_house_fire.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL is sad to report that QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, died in a house fire this past weekend

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RSGB attacked for defending radio spectrum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8lQwFEFBzlc/rsgb_attacked_for_defending_radio_spectrum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The chair of the EU committee on powerline networking has, perhaps predictably, attacked the RSGB's call to arms in the battle against PLT radio pollution

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NEE-01 Pegasus - a window to see the Earth from the classroom

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-4OFD9htWzw/nee_01_pegasus.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ecuador’s first satellite NEE-01 Pegasus, built by the Ecuadorian Space Agency EXA, is currently planned to launch November 20 on a DNEPR rocket from Yasny

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Norfolk radio amateurs transmit from Happisburgh Lighthouse

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/l8fzt2KXtD8/norfolk_radio_amateurs_transmit_from_happisburgh_lighthouse.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Norwich Evening News reports that members of the Norfolk Amateur Radio Club tranmsitted from Happisburgh Lighthouse at the weekend

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FBI agents and Radio Hams head for Gaston County

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ea79J2Pm5n4/fbi_agents_and_radio_hams_head_for_gaston_county.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Charlotte Observer reports that the 1,500 hotel rooms in Gaston County
are solidly booked because of the Democrat Party's National Convention and
an amateur radio Hamfest

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M0DAD pedestrian mobile Lighthouse Weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hrO8trizpsg/m0dad_pedestrian_mobile_lighthouse_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows ham radio operator M0DAD pedestrian mobile at Church
Point, Newbiggin By The Sea, Northumberland, North East England for
Lighthouse weekend

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Antenna Cannon video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JtF10eYKn6E/antenna_cannon_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video by KB3TQO shows a simple way to launch amateur radio antennas
into the trees, really high

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Russian youngsters try ham radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/X7Q5L19Lkg0/russian_youngsters_try_ham_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This Russian video shows youngsters enjoying ham radio

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Processor pioneer Victor Poor W5SMM SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LPnnl6LTTOw/processor_pioneer_victor_poor_w5smm_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Register reports that radio amateur and processor pioneer Victor Poor
W5SMM died on Friday, August 17 at the age of 79

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Pulicat Lighthouse on the air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/li9ayfe-_mc/pulicat_lighthouse_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Deccan Chronicle newspaper reports on the activation of the Pulicat lighthouse in India by radio amateurs

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NZ4O HF/6M Radiowave Propagation Forecast - Now Published Daily

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qvmZBWq-aHs/propagation_forecast_now_published_daily.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast is now published on a "daily" basis around 1300 UTC

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BBC Medium Wave switch-off trial

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6DfFQkMdmbU/bbc_medium_wave_switch_off_trial.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC is undertaking a 5-week trial from the 17th August to the 24th September to switch off existing MW services for four BBC local radio stations

1562. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 21 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-21 16:35:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae939915316655904c7c9368d@google.com>
Source record: 2229
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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FCC Report on CCR's and AR role in Emergency Response is Released

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 06:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358571-FCC-Report-on-CCR-s-and-AR-role-in-Emergency-Response-is-Released&goto=newpost

Several months ago, the FCC was charged by Congress to conduct a study into the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief, and into the existence of impediments thereto, including the the effects of unreasonable or unnecessary private land use restrictions on residential antenna installations.

The FCC has released its report:
http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Rele...-12-1342A1.pdf

The conclusion of the report reads:

Quote:

3. Recommendations

39. Private land use restrictions. Some commenters recommend that CC&Rs be preempted if they prohibit antennas that are within certain limits. Others suggest that private land use restrictions on amateur antennas should be permitted only for safety considerations, and not for aesthetic reasons. As noted above, however, other commenters believe that it is not necessary to preempt private land use restrictions in order to promote amateur emergency communications, given the ways that even amateurs subject to CC&Rs can communicate effectively and the nature of amateur emergency communications. MMoreover, while commenters suggest that private land use restrictions have become more common, our review of the record does not indicate that amateur operators are unable to find homes that are not subject to such restrictions. Therefore, at this time, we do not see a compelling reason for the Commission to revisit its previous determinations that preemption should not be expanded to CC&Rs.

40. Other impediments. As noted above, the Commission has already preempted state and local regulations that do not reasonably accommodate amateur radio communications and do not represent the minimum practicable regulations to accomplish the local authority□s legitimate purpose. The Commission has also addressed regulations regarding possession and operation of amateur radio equipment while driving. Commission rules that may be an impediment to enhanced amateur service emergency communications

can, as the ARRL notes, be considered through the Commission□s rulemaking process. Consequently, we do not believe that Congressional action is necessary to address any of these issues.

IV. CONCLUSION

41. The amateur radio community and the emergency response and disaster communications communities all agree that amateur radio can be of great value in emergency response situations. Amateur radio carries with it a wide range of advantages that allow it to supplement other emergency communications activities during disasters. This has been demonstrated time and again in a wide variety of emergency and disaster situations. Amateur radio emergency communications require not only stations in a position to originate the emergency message, but also an alternative to the commercial communications infrastructure impacted by the emergency. This alternative infrastructure is the network of amateur radio operators and their stations that relay messages, build and maintain repeater stations and repeater networks, operate HF message networks to send messages greater distances than are practical with mobile or transportable transmitters, and develop new technologies to improve the reliability of these networks.

42. That value could potentially be increased, however, through cooperation among DHS, public safety, emergency management, and amateur radio emergency communications associations and groups to develop future training protocols. We also recommend that DHS work with state, local, and tribal authorities to develop disaster area access policies and qualifications for trained amateur operators who provide emergency communications support.

1563. eHam.net News for Tuesday 21 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-21 23:13:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646e45df1d5604c7cdcd29@google.com>
Source record: 2230
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Backers Raise Cash for Tesla Museum Honoring 'Cult Hero':

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 03:16 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28854

(CNN) -- At the dawn of the 20th century, Nicola Tesla wanted to save the world from fuel dependency. Now, an Internet cartoonist wants to save Tesla's last remaining laboratory as a tribute to the futurist inventor. The structure, a 94-by-94-foot building, was the location where Tesla hoped to develop wireless communications and clean, free energy for everyone in the early 1900s. He moved his operation to the Wardenclyffe Tower in Shoreham, New York, in 1902 -- so named because of a 187-foot tower rising from the ground (as well as being sunk 120 feet below it) that was to be one of the great transmitters for his wireless energy dream. The facility was lost a few years later due to debts Tesla racked up, and the huge tower was demolished in 1917. The site would ultimately become a Superfund location because of silver and cadmium toxicity in the ground after a photographic film company used it for nearly 48 years. It has now been cleaned up and is no longer harmful.

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Norfolk Amateur Radio Club Transmits from Happisburgh Lighthouse:

Posted: 20 Aug 2012 05:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28852

Norfolk's radio hams communicated from Happisburgh Lighthouse to around 300 fellow enthusiasts from all over the world during the annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend yesterday (Sunday). Norfolk Amature Radio Club (NARC) attempting to make contact with other radio enthusiasts from all over the world, from Happisburgh Lighthouse, as part of the annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. PHOTO: ANTONY KELLYThe Norfolk Amateur Radio Club (NARC) ran the special event station at the 222 year-old working lighthouse using the call sign GB0HL.

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'CQ Lighthouse, CQ Lighthouse':

Posted: 20 Aug 2012 05:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28851

Members of the Evanston Amateur Radio Community and the Metro Amateur Radio Club partnered Saturday to celebrate 2012 International

Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend, operating their ham radio gear from the base of the Grosse Point Lighthouse. More than 400 lighthouses in more than 50 countries and territories, from Argentina to Wales, were expected to be on the air in an annual event started 15 years ago by Scotland's Ayr Amateur Radio Group. The event aims to raise public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and the need for their preservation and restoration, to promote amateur radio, and to foster international goodwill.

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NZ4O Now 'Daily' MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

Posted: 20 Aug 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28849

NZ4O Now 'Daily' MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast:

1564. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 21 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 02:42:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852bf1440f04c7d1af06@google.com>
Source record: 2231
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham convention to explore important MA, New England Interop Issues -
Examiner.com

Posted: 20 Aug 2012 10:05 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEONC20pLpPB1YlrY9p539_dJd45g&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/ham-convention-to-explore-important-ma-new-england-interop-issues

Ham convention to explore important MA, New England Interop Issues
Examiner.com
The word interoperability raises its head again as the Ham Radio world tries to figure out where exactly it fits in the rapidly changing world of emergency and disaster communications. At one time, it was easy, you called on the RACES (Radio Amateur ...

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First Annual Hamfest to be held - Forest Blade

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 02:20 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNElAJGvCj-Y2jU3t9QRlUP1vyRVwg&url=http://www.forest-blade.com/news/community/article_b4e7feea-ebd2-11e1-8ad2-0019bb2963f4.html

First Annual Hamfest to be held
Forest Blade
“This is the first time Emanuel County has ever held a Ham Fest,” explained local amateur radio operator Ron Hill. “It is a day where amateur radio operators get together to buy, sell, trade, swap and socialize." "Well spend the day giving ...

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FBI agents and Radio Hams head for Gaston County - Southgate Amateur Radio
Club

Posted: 20 Aug 2012 11:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHiOX8MSelblc6ON20QjIBxowVK9A&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/fbi_agents_and_radio_hams_head_for_gaston_county.htm

Charlotte Observer
FBI agents and Radio Hams head for Gaston County
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
In addition there is the annual Shelby Hamfest amateur radio event at Biggerstaff Park in Dallas, NC. Four years ago, the hamfest moved from the

Cleveland County Fairgrounds in Shelby to Gaston County. In 2011, about 12800 ham radio enthusiasts from 30 ...
Gaston region getting ready for DNC overflowCharlotte Observer

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Amateur Event Continues to Pack 'Em In - Radio World

Posted: 15 Aug 2012 08:20 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHCmA-w_lqt_QNNaeEpTRahpSj-FA&url=http://www.rwonline.com/article/amateur-event-continues-to-pack-%25E2%2580%2599em-in/214938

Amateur Event Continues to Pack Em In
Radio World
Foot traffic was high inside Hara Arena, the venue for this ham radio show of shows, making it hard to get around, just like in the NAB Shows glory days. An untold number of dollars change hands here, both for the latest shiny new radio gear from ...

1565. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1345615201@panix.com>
Source record: 2232
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1566. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1345615500@panix.com>
Source record: 2233
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

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1567. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1345615500@panix.com>
Source record: 2234
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1568. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1345615800@panix.com>
Source record: 2235
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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1569. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 22 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 11:07:44 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf30549c41a6a69404c7d8bfcd@google.com>
Source record: 2236
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE - SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vgjmZms9Um0/qst_managing_editor_joel_kleinman_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

QST Managing Editor Joel P. Kleinman, N1BKE, of Meriden, Connecticut, died from injuries received during a house fire. He was 64. Kleinman was responsible for the coordination, organization, control and completion of all aspects of QST's editorial content each month. Kleinman's wife Jayne survived the fire, but is currently in the intensive care unit of a local hospital

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Ham Radio convention to explore important Interop issues

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3C4NxN0QnC0/ham_radio_convention_to_explore_important_interop_issues.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Examiner reports on the ARRL New England Division Convention, Aug 24-26, and the importance of interoperability for emergency communications

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Mauritania DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ebQfDeMTzSg/mauritania_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A group of Polish radio amateurs will be active as 5T0SP between November 24th and December 10th, from Mauritania

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9/11 Special Event Stations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VITqww5YLc4/9_11_special_event_stations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A number of amateur radio special event stations will be on the air to commemorate the September 11th, 2001, terrorist attacks

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A.R Drone 2.0 - a 2.4 GHz UAV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/je643Bd3iwQ/a_r_drone_2_0.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Drones or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's) are becoming increasingly
popular among amateur enthusiasts. This one uses a 2.4 GHz WiFi connection
to an iPhone or iPad

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HF/VHF/UHF Multicoupler released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PKZprtdMYxA/hf_vhf_uhf_multicoupler_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is a multicoupler or antenna distribution amplifier that can share a
single antenna between up to five receivers. It also provides lightning
surge and over-power protection on the antenna port

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Amateur Radio NXDN Communications

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gtWNAv6zS7M/amateur_radio_nxdn_communications.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows amateur radio trans-continental communications using an
Icom NXDN digital voice transceiver

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Indonesia Islands Hunter Group Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nLz3Y8_41pI/indonesia_islands_hunter_group_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Indonesia Islands Hunter Group (IIHG) consists of DXers who are
interested in making contacts with amateur radio operators in different
islands of Indonesia

1570. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1075.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 12:49:53 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <256637.92127.qm@smtp114.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2237
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1075.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1075.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, Craig/K9CT, Joe/W8GEX and ZL9HR team for the following DX information.

NH8, SWAINS ISLAND (Press Release). The following press release was sent out on August 22ndt [edited]:" Swains press release # 3 Aug. 22 2012 -- The leaders are happy to report that the DXpedition cargo has arrived in American Samoa. The international team of 20 operators are excited about this tent and generator operation. The island ranks number 31 in the DX Magazine most wanted list. Swains is about one mile in circumference has only five permanent residents and no infrastructure.
The team will be running seven stations from 6 to 160 including 60m. They will be on CW, SSB and RTTY around the clock for 14 days. Great emphasis will be in working European stations. Plans are to update logs on a daily basis by satellite phone. Because there is no regular internet service, the team will have two pilot stations. Valerie, NV9L, will be the North American pilot while Col, MM0NDX, will do the honors for Europe. They and John/K6MM, the webmaster, will be the only contact to the team for their 14 day stay.
Due to changes in airline flights, they are now scheduled to depart American Samoa on Sept. 4th, for the 23 hour boat ride to Swains. Every-thing will then be off loaded and taken ashore by a small boat. Along with the radio equipment, antennas, food, and tents, are 19 drums of gasoline for the seven generators.
The team of highly experienced DXers, contesters and Dxpeditioners are 9V1FJ, AA4NN, DJ2VO, DL3DXX, K5AB, K9CS, K9CT, K9NW, N2TU, N4HH, N6HC, N6HD, NA6M, ND2T, SM5AQD, W6KK, W8GEX, W8HC, W8TN and WB9Z. There have been several requests to listen into the general band, so please listen to the operator's instructions.
We are most grateful to NCDXF, INDEXA, and all clubs and individuals who have supported us. Like all major DXpeditions today, this is a very expensive trip. Total costs are estimated to be 200,000 USDs. Each member has paid 8000 USDs, plus his cost to get to American Samoa. Anyone who

wants to help, can go to our website, <www.nh8s.org> and click on the donations link. We are most appreciative to any and all DXers that contribute to help defray the cost of the trip.
OQSL is available on the website for your convenience. QSL manager for cards is Joe Blackwell, AA4NN, and requests should be sent to him at:
Swains Island DXpedition
P.O. Box 5005
Lake Wylie, SC 29710
USA

LoTW will be posted six months following the DXpedition.

We would like to give special thanks to our support crew who has worked very hard for us. They include DL9RCF, I8NHJ, K6MM, MM0NDX, N1DG, N4XP, N7CQQ, NV9L, W6XA, W8AEF, W8CAA and Margarett Blackwell XYL of AA4NN.

The website <www.nh8s.org> provides more details.

Craig, K9CT
Joe, W8GEX
Co-Leaders"

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update/Press Release)[edited]. The following was release on Tuesday, August 21st, on the ZL9HR DXpedition Web page at: http://www.campbell2012.com

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"Thanks for your interest in the upcoming ZL9HR DX-pedition to Campbell Island.

At this writing we are on schedule and the project planning is well underway. The team is busily working on all aspects of the DX-pedition. As you may know, we have the landing permit in-hand and also the radio license / call sign.

Some examples of what's happening behind the curtain at the moment include:
- Station location (as defined by the permit)
- Antenna placement planning (as defined by the permit)
- Discussions on propagation behavior and how we will adjust for conditions
- Operator mode preference
- Equipment testing and preparation for sea shipment
- Contract finalization with the boat that will take us to Campbell Island
- Generator testing (state-of-the-art Yamaha machines) and their preparation for shipment
- Petrol estimates (for generators), procurement, and planning for sea transit
- Preparation and submission of the required DX Team Safety and Communications plans to the New Zealand Department of Conservation (DoC)
- Coordination of team arrival in NZ, hotels and local transportation to

and from boat at Bluff, NZ
- A DoC requirement for landing on Campbell Island is each team member must have emergency medical evacuation insurance (purchased by the individual team members)
- Up-front payments and deposits
- Scheduled the quarantine inspection (All of our gear must be unpacked (then repacked) for inspection before departing NZ)
- We're beginning to receive donations from the major DX Foundations, DX Clubs and individuals from around the world.

With the individual operators funding the up-front cost of the DX-pedition and their personal travel / living and while in NZ we will continue to seek assistance from the global DX-community.

We appreciate the interest and support from the global amateur community and especially from the:
• Northern California DX Foundation;
• The American Radio Relay League's Colvin Award Committee;
• The German DX Foundation, and
• The Lone Star (Texas) DX Association

Each who have made significant contributions, and the other clubs and individuals who provided financial support.

Our major corporate sponsor, to date, is Spiderbeam.

Of course, the overall sponsor of this DX-pedition is the Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia who is providing nearly all of the equipment that will be used on Campbell Island.

We'd be remiss if we didn't recognize the New Zealand Department of Conservation for their support of this DX-pedition. The DoC is permitting us to use several of the existing buildings which will provide shelter from the weather which we expect to be cool, windy and wet.

Our QSL policy, as described on the QSL Page, should satisfy the DX community:
• On-line uploads via satellite phone to ClubLog
• LoTW upload shortly after the DX-pedition
• LoTW confirmations at no charge for all contacts, no restrictions
• OQRS will be available at a reasonable donation to cover mailing expenses
• Direct QSLs with envelope $2USD, (1 IRC + 1 USD) or 1 Euro for all destinations
• Buro cards to EB7DX at no charge

QSLing doesn't get any better than this!

Our goal is to give out as many All Time New Ones as humanly possible and to fill as many band slots as we can.

Thanks again for your interest and support. We'll update you again next month.

73, ZL9HR team"

1571. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 22 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 16:03:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed95403004c7dce329@google.com>
Source record: 2238
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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New Dual Band Mobile Breaks $250 Barrier

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 05:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358646-New-Dual-Band-Mobile-Breaks-250-Barrier&goto=newpost

Has anyone checked out one of these?http://www.409shop.com/409shop_produ...d=108702BAOJIE BJ-UV55 VHF/UHF 136-174/400-470MHZ for $223 Shipped?I have no interest in the company, but am curious if anyone has seen one.73,Joe kk0sd

1572. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 22 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 16:44:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5171c89cd133804c7dd728a@google.com>
Source record: 2239
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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All nine azores islands, cu1 through cu9, activated at once

Posted: 22 Aug 2012 12:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358675-All-nine-azores-islands-cu1-through-cu9-activated-at-once&goto=newpost

ALL NINE AZORES ISLANDS, CU1 THROUGH CU9, ACTIVATED AT ONCE

http://azores-islands-hunt.com/

Are You Ready to Fly to Azores for Free by Making Nine QSOs?

Yes indeed, those of you willing to spend 24 hours or less on the radio
are eligible to participate in an Azores lottery for two all-paid packages
to the beautiful Azores Islands in the Atlantic, completely free of charge.
The project is organized by the Azores-Finland Friendship Consortium in
partnership with the Amateur Radio Associations of the Azores Islands and
supported by the Azores Promotion Agency (ATA) and Azorean Airlines (SATA).
Just look at www.visitazores.com> and make up your mind.

Not many people know that the Azores consist of nine populated islands,
stretching over a distance of 602 km (305mi) from East to West, next to USA
and Europe. And it is not widely known that the Azores have their own
airline (SATA) flying to each island, in addition to many destinations in
Europe and North America. Each island has its own characteristics and its
own blend and alone qualifies for your visit there. While these islands
count for a single DXCC entity, they offer three (3) IOTA groupings.

With this unique AZORES 9 ISLANDS HUNT, an invited international group
of amateur radio operators together with resident Azores amateurs will be
activating the nine islands, offering an opportunity to the world to
contact these islands all at once over one weekend.

Activity Weekend

Saturday, September 29, 1200 UTC to September 30, 1200 UTC (24 hours).
These stations will be active starting Friday, September 28 as soon as they
become operational.

Frequency Windows

CW: 7000-7015, 18080-18090 and 14050-14065 kHz

SSB: 7175-7195, 18120-18135 and 14250-14275 kHz

Nine Islands and their Stations

Santa Maria, CU1ARM; San Miguel, CU2ARA; Terceira, CU3URA; Graciosa, CU4ARG; Sao Jorge, CU5AM; Pico, CU6GRP; Faial, CU7CRA; Flores, CU8ARF; Corvo, CU9AC.

Operators and Island Hosts

Sergio, CU1AAD; Jose, CU2CE; Francisco, CU2DX; Guilherme, CU2IF; Domingois, CU3CS; Guilherme, CU4AB; Jose, CU5AM; Jorge, CU6AB; Manuel, CU7CA; Claudio, CU8AAE; Joao, CU9AC; Franz, DJ9ZB; Richard, DF9TF; Nigel, G3TXF; Michael, G7VJR; Diane, K2DO; Rich, KE3Q; Mike, KI1U; Marius, LB3HC; George, N2GA; Martti, OH2BH; Juha, OH8NC; Ghis, ON5NT; Carine, ON7LX; Claude, ON7TK; Alex, OZ7AM; Kenneth, OZ1IKY; Yuri, VE3DZ and Ed, VE3FWA.

Two Hunt Awards

Those making a QSO with at least 5 different islands will have a corresponding number of tickets placed into a lottery for a free trip to the Azores (e.g. if you have QSOs with 7 islands, you will get 7 lottery tickets). Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all 9 islands will be eligible for a second lottery. The free trips are from the closest airport served by SATA; including flight, accommodation and transfers..

During or immediately after the weekend, the logs will be posted on Club Log to display your band/mode slots. The lottery will be drawn on October 15, 2012.

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QSL Cards

All QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau network with special full-color cards. Direct QSL requests via Jose Melo, CU2CE.

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VK0JJJ Mawson Station Antarctica

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 12:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358614-VK0JJJ-Mawson-Station-Antarctica&goto=newpost

VK6JJJ will be active from Mawson station , Mac Robertson Land , Antarctica January 2013 - January 2014 as VK0JJJ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...nd_antarctica/

73 Al 4L5A

1573. MMMonVHF Newsletter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 19:10:47 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120822191016.394E712330F2C@server13.web4a.de>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 34 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-08-22
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Last week there a sad comment on KST: G4DEZ (Bryn) is Silent Key.
According to Dave, G4DHF, he died due to a heart attack on August 17th.
Bryn was in his late 60's. The news was announced on the UK Contest reflector.
R.I.P. Bryn!

MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: 4O: Montenegro ; square JN92 ; start 2012-08-19 **

Gigi IV3GTH qrv from 4O in QTH JN92HK

HI all,
I'm holiday in Kumbor(MNE), condition 120w and 9 el F9FT.
My take off is bad, only open direction NW but I will try to give DXCC/square
with some patience hi. If you want to check take off see here

SOURCE: tnx to Gigi IV3GTH/E77GS direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GM: Scotland ; square IP90 ; start 2012-08-20 **

GM6VXB/P qrv from IP90NT

Will be in IP90 for four days (work during day)and will try to work MS
or E's (if conditions). Operations will be early mornings and late evenings work
permitting. KST is possible but intermittent so MS calls will be random on 370/QSY.
Only small setup, 120 Watt to 9 el yagi on 144 or 100 Watt to 5 el yagi on 50

SOURCE: tnx to Martin, GM6VXB, direct to MMMonVHf

** DXCC: EA8 ; Canary Isl. Square: IL38 ; start 2012-08-22 **

EA8 (IL38) back on EME
Im heading down to EA8 straight after the Cambridge conference,
I have fixed the 2m preamp/PA and hope to be qrv from IL38 on both 2m and 70cm. Aug
22-29th.
73 Dave G4RGK

SOURCE: tnx to Dave G4RGK direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZK2 ; Niue ; Square: AH51 ; start 2012-09-07

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012
LATEST NEWS from W7GJ, dated 2012-08-14:
The callsigns for the Niue JT65 EME operation next month will be:
E6M - 6m
E6RS - 2m
I have updated my website to include information on how to update your WSJT program
to include these calls as well as include the E6 prefix:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
Please watch for us on EME! GL and VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: Moon-Net

NEWS by W7GJ, dated 2012-09-03:
Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could mark your
calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the end of August ;-)
As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with me on 6m EME when I was in
E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be active during our common moon windows -
especially during the optimum days of the month for 6m EME.
The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email), and the QTH has not been finalized,
but all the plane tickets have been purchased (as usual, any contributions are VERY
welcome),
and the equipment (a KX3 portable transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the
works.
As soon as the license is in hand, the information will also be available under the
callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference for a
takeoff shot
over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work NA stations during their
moonsets (I will be elevating),
so we will get the ground gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise
shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset over
the water for the EU moonrise.

Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period, as we did together from E51 and 3D2;
Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS. More details will be posted on the above website as the departure
time at the end of August gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2012-10-01

Bodo, DF8DX, qrv from SV9 on HF and 23cm EME

Equipment will be like on my previous DXpeditions IC7000 with transverter (100W) and 59ele yagi.
call: SV9/DF8DX
Grid: KM25 (exact locator will be given later)
IOTA: EU-015
Activity on 23cm EME:
October 2, 2000-2130z (for EU)
October 3, 0400-0600z (for NA)
with backup dates:
October 3, 2030-2200z (for EU)
October 4, 0430-0600z (for NA)
Frequency: TX first on 1296.090MHz / RX on my own echo frequency (just like in CW)

I am one week on SV9 but I would prefer you work me on the suggested times because i want to spend some time with my wife on this vacation and also enjoy some HF (CW only) activity as well
as maybe activity from EU-187. Further skeds on request (if necesary). Check www.mmmonvhf.de for updates.

73 de Bodo, DF8DX

SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DF8DX, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable

HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1574. [DXNL] DXNL 1794 (Aug 22, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 22:26:16 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <7312180343.20120822204017@dxhf.darc.de>
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D2, ANGOLA
Paulo "Paul",CT1FJZ, is expected to be in Angola for one year working in Benguela and Huambo. Look for him to be active as D2FJZ, mainly on the weekends and limited during weekdays. Activity will be on 80m-10m SSB. QSL via homecall.

DU1, PHILIPPINES, OC-042
Alan,DU1/W7XA, is working near Tagaytay Ridge (about 65 km south of Manila) until Aug 27. Activity will be in CW and some SSB on 20/17/15m running 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via homecall.

HS, THAILAND
After recovering from an illness Dennis,K7BV, returns to Asia for a short visit between Aug 25 and Sep 2 and wants to become active again as HS0ZKS from the shack of John,HS1CHB. Dennis may also show up from from Japan as JF1XJR. QSL via homecall.

JA, JAPAN
The special event station 8J1A is currently active in all modes on HF from the 2012 Amateur Radio Festival until Aug 26. QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8J2YDU is active until Nov 3 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Shizuoka Higashi High School (JA2YDU) in Shimizu (Shizuoka prefecture, Honshu, AS-007, WLOTA 2376). QSL via bureau.

The special callsign 8J4HAM is working from the Ham Festa Kasaoka 2012 in all modes on all HF bands until Oct 21. Kasaoka is located in Okayama prefecture on Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376). QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8J4MANGA draws attention to the 13th International Comic Artist Conference till Nov 10. QSL via bureau.

The special callsign 8J4SINWA is active during the "Japan Myth Expo" in Shimane until Nov 11. QSL via bureau.

The "Ehime Prefectural Government Amateur Radio Club" (JA5YAX) marks its Golden Jubilee (50th anniversary) by activating the special event station 8J50YAX until Dec 31. Ehime is located on northwestern Shikoku island (AS-076). The QSL will be sent via bureau automatically.

The special event station 8J8APRC will be aired in all modes on HF until Sep 16 for the FIA Asia-Pacific Rally Championship Round 5 and the JAF Japanese Rally Championship Round 7 "Rally Hokkaido" (AS-078, WLOTA 2967). QSL via bureau.

LX, LUXEMBURG
Anne,LX/OH2YL, is working in in CW on 10m-80m from Aug 24-31.
OSL via homecall.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
On 30 August the Netherlands will celebrate the official return of the Dutch astronaut Andre Kuipers,PI9ISS, from the ISS. The station PA6ISS will be active from the location of PG6N at Noordwijk Lighthouse (Netherlands 1324, Admiralty B0760, ARLHS NET-019) from Aug 28 until Sep 2. QSL via PA7DA. See also: http://pg6n.jouwweb.nl/pa6iss

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Anja,PJ2/DH2AK, and Torsten,PJ2/DL1THM, are going to Curacao (SA-099) again and plan to work in holiday style from the clubstation PJ2A mainly in SSB on 15m and 20m from Aug 26 until Sep 1.
QSL via bureau to their homecalls, direct route on QRZ.com.

PY, BRAZIL
ZX7MIL (OPs: PS7NN, PS7GL, PS7KC, PS7HD) will join the CVA DX Contest (Aug 25/26, 2100 UTC-2100 UTC). QSL via PS7NN. See http://www.craec.org

SU, EGYPT
Members of the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society (ERASD) will activate the special event station SU30ASR from Abu Quear near Alexandria on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of "Arab Scouts Radio Camp" between Aug 24 and Sep 2. Activities will be in CW/SSB/digital modes on HF by Said,SU1SK, Atef,SU1AO, and Ayman,SU1AR. QSL via SM5AQD.
See also: https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Egyptian-Radio-Amateurs-Society-For-Development-ERASD/118552214859517

UA1, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
The special event station R1000M celebrates the 1.000th anniversary of the "Unity of the Mordovian People with Peoples of Russian State" until Sep 30. OPs are Alexey,RA4UDC (RDA MD-05), Dmitry,RA4UVK (RDA MD-03), Andrey,RW4UW (RDA MD-05), and Sergey,RZ4UZ (RDA MD-04). QSL via RA4UVK.
They have also a free award "Mordovia 1000" issued as PDF.
See also: http://mineco.e-mordovia.ru/en/index.php?Itemid=476

UT, UKRAINE
Members of the Belotserkovsky Radio Club (BCRC) plan to be active as
EM0UBC from Aug 24-26 to celebrate the Ukrainian Independence Day.
The BCRC will operate from the national park Alexandria (WFF Ukraine-
URFF-91, Ukrainian Flora Fauna: UYFF-33). QSOs also count for the
Ukrainian Rivers Award (URA-034-Ros'River). QSL via UR4UXD.
See also: http://bcrc.at.ua

VQ9, Diego Garcia CANCELLED: The activity announced in last DXNL has been
cancelled unfortunately.

Honeymoon to Africa: Alessandro,IW5ELA, will be active as 3B8/IW5ELA and
ZS/IW5ELA with FT-857 and vertical on 20m/17m/15m/12m from Aug 28 until
Sep 12. He will be on his honeymoon, but he will devote some time to
radio activity as well. See: http://honeymoonafrica2012.jimdo.com and
http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/3b8/iw5ela

IIHG Award: The "Indonesia Islands Hunter Groups" (IIHG) connects DXers who
like to contact the many islands of Indonesia. Membership is free.
See also: http://www.ybdxc.net/2012/08/nusantara-award.html and
http://www.nusantaraaward.com

CQWW SSB 2011 results online: The final results of the CQWW SSB Contest 2011
were published online at: http://cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/
cq_ww_dx_contest/index_cq_ww_dx_contest.html

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Aug 25/26 YO DX Contest
Aug 25/26 SCC RTTY Championship

The "Russian RDA Contest" is sponsored by the "Tambov Award Group" and will
take place on the third weekend of August. See: http://rdaward.org/rdac1.htm

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Stan,EA8/EI6DX, plans to activate two national
parks on Fuerteventura (EAFF-063, EAFF-065 or EAFF-195) from Aug 16-30.
QSL only via RX3RC (bureau/direct).

AF-030, ZD9, Gough Island: Paul,ZD9KN, will be QRV only in SSB on 160m-10m
from Gough Island using a FT2000 and dipoles between Aug 18 and Sep 31.
The log will be uploades to the LoTW within one year.
QSL direct via IZ0UIM.

EU-015, SV9, Crete Island: Luc,SV9/ON6DSL/p, will spend his holidays on
Crete (GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) and works only in SSB

from Aug 27 until Sep 3. He als plans some SOTA activities.
QSL via ON6DSL (bureau/direct).

EU-045, I*0, Lazio Region group: IB0E will be active with two stations in
SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m from Isola di Ventotene (IIA LT-011,
MIA MI-118, WFF IFF-110, WLOTA 1403) from Aug 25-31.
QSL via operator's instructions.

EU-120, G/M, English Coastal Islands: Russell,G5XW, will be QRV as G5XW/p
from the Isle of Wight on Aug 26/27. QSL only direct via QRZ.com.

EU-174, SV, Makedonia/Thraki Region group: Membes of the White Tower DX Team
plan to hit the airwaves as J48SV from Samothraki Island (MIA MG-100,
WLOTA 4166, GIOTA NAS-032) from Aug 24-27. QSL via SV2FPU.

EU-176, SM3, Gavleborg County group: Jorgen,SM3CXS, will be QRV as SG3U from
Grimskar Island working in SSB/CW on the HF bands from Aug 23-26.
QSL via SG3U (bureau/direct/LoTW).

EU-183, YO, Romania group: A group of Romanian operators will be active
as YP1S from Sacalinu Mare Island (Loc KN34bk) from Aug 23-29.
QSL via YO9FNP.

NA-039, KL7, Andreanof Islands: Kevin,KL7/KJ4OAP, Nathaniel,KL7/W2NAF, and
Ethan,KL7/K8GU, plan to become active on 40m-6m from Adak Island (USi
AK008S, WLOTA 1258, Loc AO11) between Aug 23 and Sep 12.
QSLs via homecalls (d/L).

SA-037, YV, Blanquilla group: Members of the "Grupo DX Caracas" are planning
a DXpedition to Isla la Blanquilla (DIV-039, Loc FK71qt) and the local
lighthouse (ARLHS VEN-023/TWLHD WLH YV-001/WLOTA 0894/Admiralty J6426).
Listen for YW5B in all modes on 160m-6m from Aug 22-27. QSL via DM4TI.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-09Sep 2O12L 1790
21Jul-09Sep 2O12W 1789
28Aug-12Sep 3B8/IW5ELA.. 1794 *
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
14Aug-3Sep 5H3ME 1792
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
15Aug-22Aug 6W/M1KTA 1793
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-26Aug 8J1A 1794 *
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751

-03Nov 8J2YDU 1794 *
-21Oct 8J4HAM 1794 *
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794 *
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794 *
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794 *
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-16Sep 8J8APRC 1794 *
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
18Aug-25Aug 9A/IZ2WMW 1793
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
22Aug-29Aug C5/M1KTA 1793
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
unknown CG3B 1786
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
-31Aug CO2IR 1793
unknown CR6BWU 1784
-31Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-Aug/13 D2FJZ 1794 *
-Mai/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
11Aug-24Aug DG5LAC/p 1792
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
18Aug-25Aug DL4ABO/p 1793
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791
-27Aug DU1/W7XA 1794 *

02Jul-25Aug E51AND 1786
unknown E51MGA 1786
-31Dec E720RS 1770
16Aug-30Aug EA8/EI6DX 1794 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
24Aug-26Aug EM0UBC 1794 *
-26Aug EM80L.. 1778
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
26Aug-27Aug G5XW/p 1794 *

-30Aug GB175PO 1793
-23Aug GB1HF 1791
-09Sep GB2012OLY 1792
-09Sep GB2012MV 1790
-09Sep GB2012OSP 1791
16Aug-22Aug GB2YLS 1793
-10Sep GB4GBO 1790
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
18Aug-25Aug GT4AAF/p 1793

-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
25Aug-02Sep HS0ZKS.. 1794 *
unknown HT9H 1792
25Aug-31Aug IB0E 1794 *
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
10Aug-03Sep IM0/I0PNM 1792
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
24Aug-27Aug J48SV 1794 *
-Nov JW2US 1791
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
23Aug-12Sep KL7/K8GU 1794 *
23Aug-12Sep KL7/KJ4OAP 1794 *
23Aug-12Sep KL7/W2NAF 1794 *
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
24Aug-31Aug LX/OH2YL 1794 *
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770

Mai -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Aug OD5ARMY 1792
unknown OD5NJ 1784
Jul +Sep OE2XXM.. 1786
-Apr/17 OG3077F 1789
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
19Aug-26Aug ON4YOTA 1793
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
unknown OX3LX 1790
01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
28Aug-02Sep PA6ISS 1794 *
-30Sep R1000M 1794 *
Aug R10RLHA 1791
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784

Aug R1812SM 1791
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
15Jul-28Aug RI0K 1788
-2013 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
23Aug-26Aug SG3U 1794 *
01Jul-31Aug SN0HAL 1786
-02Oct SN63DNI 1792
15Aug-08Sep SN17EGS 1793
01Aug-02Oct SN7PW 1791
-24Aug SU30ASR 1794 *
27Aug-03Sep SV9/ON6DSL/p 1794 *
sporadically T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
-30Sep T6SS 1790
-Sep T6TJ.. 1789
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786/1793
-30Aug TM175PO 1793
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
unknown TX0HF 1789

-31Aug UE80C 1784
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
13Aug-22Aug VU7M 1792
-Mai/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
23Aug-29Aug YP1S 1794 *
22Aug-27Aug YW5B 1794 *
18Aug-31Sep ZD9KN 1794 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

2E0ZXW QRZ.com
3B8/IW5ELA e-mail request
4O/IW7DZJ via IW7DZJ (B)
4X0A via 4X1VF
5B/HA5SE via HA5SE
5W1SA via JA1DXA
6K0ON/4 via DS4DRT
6L0NJ via HL4CEL (B)
8J1A (B)
8J2YDU (B)

8J3IPA/4 (B)
8J4HAM (B)
8J4MANGA (B)
8J4SINWA (B)
8J50YAX sends automatically
8J7KIZNA sends automatically
8J8APRC (B)
9A/LX9EG/p via LX1NO (d)
9A/OE3WYC via OE3WYC
9A/SP9MZH via SP9MZH
A41NK via A47RS (B)
A61AM via EA5ZD
A60HD via NI5DX (B)
BG8GAM via BA4EG (B)
C5YK via ON3TZ
CP6/DF9GR via DF9GR (B)
CR5LSV via CT5KAO
CR6LH via CT1GZB (B)
CU1ARM (B)
CW1R via CX1AA (B)
CW5X via CX2ABC (B)
D2FJZ via CT1FJZ, (B)
DM0BARS via DL7UMG
DU1/W7XA via W7XA
E51AIU via JJ8DEN (B)
EA8/EI6DX via RX3RC (B)
ED2SPS via EA2SPS
EE7NL via EA7NL
EG1SAU via EA1HNP (B)
EM0UBC via UR4UXD
EM200L via UT3LI (d)
EM3WFF via UT4WA (B)
EM0LH via US4LGW (B)
EW/US8ZAL via US8ZAL
EW/UY5HF via UY5HF
F/M0SLC via OM7PY
F/ON7RU via ON7RU
F6HQP/p via F6HQP (B)
EA8/EI6DX via RX3RC (B)
HB0/E73CQ via E77E (B)
HB0/F5PAC via F5PAC (B)
HF20RPL via SP9PRR
HF20WW via SP9KRT (B)
HG20SD via HA8PH (B)
HP2TP via HP1RCP (B)
HS0ZKS via K7BV
J48SV via SV2FPU (B), (L)
J68HZ via K9HZ (D), (L)
JF1XJR via K7BV
KH6/JN3NYR via JN3NYR

KL7/K8GU via K8GU (d), (L)
KL7/KJ4OAP via KJ4OAP (d), (L)
KL7/W2NAF via W2NAF (d), (L)
LA6Q via LA9VDA (B), also e-mail request
LT5X via WD9EWK (B)
LX/OH2YL via OH2YL (B)
OE/DK7FK via DK7FK (B)
OG1G via R3AR
PA2012DYK via PA3RGH
PF30CAVENTE via PA7HPH (B)
PJ5/K3TRM via K3TRM (B)
PP2/DL3SEZ via DL3SEZ
R1000M via RA4UVK
SN10ZKD via SP2KDS (B)
SP0CFF via SP2FAP (B)
SU30ASR via SM5AQD (d)
SV9/ON6DSL/p via ON6DSL (B)
TF/EA3QP via EA3QP
TM89SARA via F5KCC, eQSL
W1S via AK4KP (d)
W1YSE (d)
W2DQ (d)
YP1S via YO9FNP (B)
YU175SB via YU1KN
YV5/UA9YAB via UA9YPS (d) (*)
YV7/UA9YAB via UA9YPS (d) (*)
YW5B via DM4TI (B)
ZD9KN via IZ0UIM (d), (L)
ZP6CW via ZP6CU (B)
ZS/IW5ELA e-mail request

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

Last call for QSL cards: Henryk,SM0JHF, is getting ready to clean the house
and dispose his blank cards by the end of this year. If you need a card
for any of the following calls, send him an e-mail to: sm0jhf@gmail.com
D44CF, C56JHF, 6W/SM0JHF, TK/SM0JHF, TA0/SM0JHF, S92JHF, SV8/SM0JHF,
SM0JHF/HI3, SM0JHF/HI9, VU3HKE, 9H3HF, IS0/SM0JHF, CU2/SM0JHF,
OH0/SM0JHF, CT3/SM0JHF and some others.

News of the DARC Band Monitoring System

Following the news of the DARC Bandwatch (similar to IARU Monitoring System)
compiled by its director Ulrich Bihlmayer, DJ9KR:
Radio Bangladesh is transmitting on 7105 kHz since Aug 13. Harald,DL5HAQ,
and Wolf,DF5SX, reported this as a "new intruder" in the 7 MHz band. The
radio station has been spotted with a maximum of S9+40dB from 1820-1940 UTC.

Their homepage says their frequency is 7250 kHz. So please observe also this QRG in the evening and night hours and inform the bandwatch if you hear it!
Wolf,DK2OM, has found an unknown burst system from France on 3500, 7000, 14000 and 21000 kHz which is active every day at the full hour. The signals are coming from France but the purpose is unknown. An international appeal has been issued by the Germany agency. Another unknown CLOVER 2000-mailbox has been spotted in the 21 MHz band during night and day. This commercial mailbox sent idle tones on 21138.5 kHz and its location is supposed to be in the Sultanate of Oman in the Middle East (reported by Wolf,DK2OM).
In July, the 15m band was again disturbed by the emissions of OTH radars from Turkey and from the UK Royal Air Force on Cyprus. Mario,DG0JBJ, sent 27 reports of radars in this band. Due to poor conditions on 28 MHz the radars avoided the 10m band in July. Also for July Georg,DJ7KG, sent 203 reports of illegal driftnet buoys in the 28000-28540 kHz range using CW IDs with one, two or three letters.
If you discover a pirate radio within exclusive radio bands please report it online to the "Intruder Logger" directly.
Take advantage of this opportunity: http://peditio.net/intruder/bluechat.cgi

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

1575. eHam.net News for Wednesday 22 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-22 23:00:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e5f0faf646004c7e2b548@google.com>
Source record: 2242
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Enthusiasts Transmit from Harwich Lighthouse:

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28859

LIGHTHOUSE and radio enthusiasts were treated to two days of international transmitting from lighthouses and a lightship. The High Lighthouse, the Low Lighthouse and LV18 Lightship in Harwich welcomed amateur radio enthusiasts to make global broadcasts as part of the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. Enthusiasts could set up transmitters to send a receive signals from around the world.

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Amateur Radio Flea Market Brings in a Crowd:

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28858

Even though Westminster's Ed Kriston has been a licensed amateur radio operator since the mid-90s, he's still a newbie. Kriston set up his table at Hamfest, the amateur radio flea market where amateur radio enthusiasts, also known as hams, sell and buy each other's goods, bright and early on Sunday morning. Kriston was looking to sell items, and said he sold a fair amount of his ham operated radios. Amateur radio is a long-standing hobby from the early 1900s, in which those with a ham radio can interact with one another. Hams can do any number of tasks with their radios, from speaking with other hams from around the world, to lending an open line of communication in emergency situations, said Andy Leeds, the president of the Carroll County Amateur Radio Club.

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Ham Convention to Explore Important MA, New England Interop Issues:

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28857

Every other year for the last half-century or so, the New England Division of the American Radio Relay League has come together in its convention where: Friendships are renewed Informational sessions are held New equipment is displayed A keynote address is given by someone of note (this year by the chief meteorologist of a CT TV station, who also happens to be a ham Trends are discussed Flea Market is held This is all pretty standard fare for the NE Convention, scheduled from Aug. 24-26 at the Boxboro

Convention Center, just off Route 495 in Boxboro, MA. This year, though, there are other key issues that affect the whole Ham Radio establishment in New England and, ultimately, across the nation to be discussed at several of the session to be held. Interoperability The word interoperability raises its head again as the Ham Radio world tries to figure out where exactly it fits in the rapidly changing world of emergency and disaster communications. At one time, it was easy, you called on the RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) to help out and its virtual auxiliary the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) to help out. Hams turned out from all over New England to help out.

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Creating a Worldwide Radio Community:

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28856

The International Radio Union (IARU) has expressed public support for the European Broadcasting Union's (EBU's) application to the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) to manage the top level domain name .radio to create a worldwide radio community. Under the proposal, registration will be available via the EBU to all eligible radio representative organisations and broadcasters, Internet radios, radio amateurs, radio professionals and their respective representative organizations, as well as companies providing radio-specific products and services. In a letter ICANN board chairman Steve Crocker, IARU president Timothy Ellam comments: "The IARU believes that the .radio proposal submitted by the EBU provides a unique opportunity to standardise radio domain names on the Internet. The use of a specific global online name such as .radio can help create a unique space worldwide, a place where the global radio community can gather. "In my capacity as the IARU President, I recommend that the .radio Top Level Domain (TLD) proposal of the EBU be approved by ICANN." The IARU has been the watchdog and voice of the world Amateur Radio community since 1925 with a 160 strong membership from many different countries and territories.

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Home Wifi Could be Used for Emergency Responders:

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 04:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28855

Home Wifi Could be Used for Emergency Responders:

1576. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 22 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-23 02:22:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd8bf7164ad04c7e58946@google.com>
Source record: 2243
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Into the airwaves; Amateur radio hosts broadcast from lighthouse - The Morning Journal

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 10:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGU1z7WHXRizUS2q26iGP8L2kCYoA&url=http://morningjournal.com/articles/2012/08/18/news/doc502f0b3169554398955114.txt

Norwich Evening News
Into the airwaves; Amateur radio hosts broadcast from lighthouse
The Morning Journal
LORAIN — Four amateur radio operators will spend the weekend broadcasting from the Lorain Lighthouse in a global event designed to promote the preservation of beacons of light. With global positioning systems and cell phones, both lighthouses and ...
Norfolk Amateur Radio Club transmits from Happisburgh Lighthouse for special ...Norwich Evening News
Radio operating group staying in lighthouseChronicle-Telegram
Radio enthusiasts transmit from Harwich lighthouseHarwich and Manningtree Standard
Evanston Now -South Wales Argus -Southgate Amateur Radio Club
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Ham Reports Progress Against al-Shabab in Africa - Department of Defense

Posted: 22 Aug 2012 09:35 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHRp1GVgctq0GDrWRMUtH6vWGizdQ&url=http://www.defense.gov/news/newsarticle.aspx?id%3D117595

Ham Reports Progress Against al-Shabab in Africa
Department of Defense
Carter F. Ham told Soldiers Radio and Television Service reporter Gail McCabe during closing ceremonies for exercise Southern Accord here. Ham noted the U.S. government role in training and equipping these forces and the impact it has had in increasing ...
U.S. commander: Al-Shabaab weakenedUPI.com

all 3 news articles

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Amateur Radio NXDN Communications - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 11:41 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEHs5HUbptRlsWAthc5iUtyFP5ZUg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/amateur_radio_nxdn_communications.htm

Amateur Radio NXDN Communications
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
This one of the first trans-continental NXDN communications via amateur radio. You are listening to KI4SWY repeater located in New Port Richey, FL, its is full time linked to River view, FL, Atlanta, GA, Cleveland, OH, and now Vancouver (Canada).

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HAM operators have field day - Deccan Chronicle

Posted: 18 Aug 2012 03:36 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH3XI8bme_J19BMP_wr_8r5jcyTUA&url=http://www.deccanchronicle.com/channels/sci-tech/others/ham-operators-have-field-day-pulicat-418

Deccan Chronicle
HAM operators have field day
Deccan Chronicle
The lighthouse at Pulicat was abuzz with activity with a team of amateur radio operators setting up a special radio station to commemorate the international lighthouse and lightship weekend on Saturday. About 500 HAM radio operators from various parts ...

1577. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-049E - Non-Amateur Use of Frequency in BC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-23 03:46:01 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5035A74F.3070208@rac.ca>
Source record: 2244
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-049E - Non-Amateur Use of Frequency in BC
2012-08-22

>From August 5th to 12th, the Canadian Paragliding National Championships were held in Pemberton, BC. The Radio Amateurs of Canada became extremely concerned about the organizers assertion that all participants must use a VHF radio tuned to 146.415 Mhz. This frequency is inside the two meter amateur allocation. Amateur operators are the primary user of this band and incursion by non-authorized users is of great concern.

RAC has been in contact with representatives from the Paragliding community and has also requested enforcement action to be taken by Industry Canada. The Radio Amateurs of Canada does not generally discuss enforcement while an investigation in ongoing. However, given the scope of concern over this matter it is appropriate to release details of actions to date.

Industry Canada has advised this morning that their British Columbia office has notified the group that use of Amateur Radio Frequencies by persons who are not in possession of a valid Amateur Radio Operator's Certificate is not permitted. The group has assured Industry Canada that all participants who used the channel were indeed holders of a certificate. A notice indicating the requirement to hold an operators certificate has been added to the website of the group.

Additionally, Industry Canada has advised the group of a VHF frequency inside the Aeronautical Radio Frequency Band that has been allocated for their use on a Canada Wide basis.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada has prioritized protection of Amateur Radio Frequencies from incursion. If you suspect incursion on an Amateur Band or are aware of the illegal operation of Amateur Radio products by individuals or companies that do not hold operators certificates, contact the Radio Amateurs of Canada to report your concerns.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada is the national voice of Amateur Radio Operators in Canada. Our members enjoy numerous benefits including access to The Canadian Amateur publication. We extend frequency protection work to members and non-members alike to ensure the future of our hobby and emergency service work.

Bill Gade, VE4WO
Regulatory Affairs Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1578. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 23 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-23 06:16:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51f987b067dc304c7e8ce05@google.com>
Source record: 2245
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Wisconsin SEWFARS Swapfest Oct.14

Posted: 21 Aug 2012 05:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358653-Wisconsin-SEWFARS-Swapfest-Oct-14&goto=newpost

SEWFARS Swapfest Sunday Oct. 14 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Richfield Chalet

1271 HWY 175

Hubertus, WI.

See SEWFARS.COM for more info.

1579. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 23 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-23 11:19:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f6428d0347f9004c7ecd2fd@google.com>
Source record: 2246
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VkI_tcJc2-c/august_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

D64K (Comoros Is) was the most worked station every day, all week although
it was generally a poor week. In fact it was the opposite of most weeks
with Wednesday being the best day and the weekend being bad

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The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is active again

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NmZgsqEDIBw/mid_ulster_amateur_radio_club_is_active_again.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

After the success of the weekend activation for IOTA, the Mid Ulster
Amateur Radio Club will, once again, be on air on Saturday 25th August from
the site of the infamous Maze Prison, near the City of Lisburn in Northern
Ireland. The prison has long since been decommissioned but part of the site
is now the home of The Ulster Aviation Society

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RSGB writes to The Register to correct errors of fact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6t7I8_UEpXw/rsgb_writes_to_the_register_to_correct_errors_of_fact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has written to The Register regarding errors in the article PLT
Chair: UK Radio Society is 'living in a dream world'

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$850,000 for Tesla Museum raised on Kickstarter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Jt9wwehQm7Y/850000_for_tesla_museum_raised_on_kickstarter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Cartoonist Matthew Inman, creator of The Oatmeal, has raised $850,000 to
set up a museum honoring the great scientist Nikola Tesla

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German ADDX Group opposes PLT standard

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The German ADDX Group has expresses its opposition to the proposed draft PLT standard prEN50561-1

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Swains Island DXpedition

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The DXpedition cargo has arrived in American Samoa. The international team of 20 operators are excited about this tent and generator operation. The island ranks number 31 in the DX Magazine most wanted list

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ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island

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We are on schedule and the project planning is well underway. The team is busily working on all aspects of the DXpedition. As you may know, we have the landing permit in-hand and also the amateur radio license/call sign

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Non-amateur use of frequency in BC

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/geGyJ2-BoTE/non_amateur_use_of_frequency_in_bc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

From August 5th to 12th, the Canadian Paragliding National Championships were held in Pemberton, British Columbia. The Radio Amateurs of Canada became extremely concerned about the organizers assertion that all participants must use a VHF radio tuned to 146.415 Mhz

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/azbERTjg8dA/august_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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This Week In Engineering 116

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xfLO2vV8a9k/twie_116.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This Week In Engineering (TWIE) features tiny CubeSat thrusters, the
failure of the Hypersonic 'Waverider' aircraft and UK NPL Maser developments

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RSGB Board proceedings released

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sckDZU6g2Pw/rsgb_board_proceedings_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/rsgb_board_proceedings_released.htm

1580. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 23 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-23 14:59:30 UTC
From: 108at144 A new UK AMATEUR RADIO CALL SIGN <108at144@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1f1d994f-63ed-415a-a01f-5e947883c53a@13g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2247
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Aug 23, 3:37 pm, Spike <Aero.Spike@S&T.invalid> wrote:
> Chronos wrote:
> >On Thu, 23 Aug 2012 07:19:29 EDT
> >Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
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> >> The RSGB has written to The Register regarding errors in the article
> >> PLT Chair: UK Radio Society is 'living in a dream world'
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> <snipped for brevity>
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> >This is a legal definition
> >and no amount of teeth-grinding will change this as it's in the realm
> >of land-sharks and Ofcom are bound by their legal team on this point.
> >Until EN50561 is passed, Ofcom's hands are tied. It's a *step* in the
> >right direction and at least we will have confirmation from the EU,
> >once and for all, that PLA kit does indeed cause interference to other
> >services.
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> For readers in the EU: Just to show how even-handed those that frame
> regulations can be, try this:
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> http://www.the-ace.org.uk/armageddon/
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> One day this sort of thing might come to Amateur Radio....
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> Spike

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1581. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 23 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-23 16:12:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51b1e1123117f04c7f120f1@google.com>
Source record: 2248
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Hurricane Watch Net to listen as Isaac approaches

Posted: 22 Aug 2012 05:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358692-Hurricane-Watch-Net-to-listen-as-Isaac-approaches&goto=newpost

There is little question where tropical storm Isaac is headed - all the models show the storm heading across the islands and into Southern Florida. The question is: how intense will the storm get? Anticipating growth of this storm as it tracks across the Atlantic Basin, the Hurricane Watch Net will launch with an informal listening status beginning Thursday, August 23, 2012, around 3 PM EDT (1900z). HWN operators will be listening on our primary frequency, 14.325 MHz, for stations in the affected area who may have questions or need information on the storm. We will also of course be ready to receive observed conditions as the storm approaches. When Isaac grows into Hurricane status, HWN will move to a more formal net.

The latest NHC bulletins and graphics are available on the Hurricane Watch Net website, http://www.hwn.org along with a large array of tools, calculators, conversions and other useful features for understanding storm information. As always, we sincerely appreciate your courtesy in allowing a clear frequency for the Hurricane Watch Net!

1582. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 23 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 02:06:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614aa0b7845d04c7f96d8c@google.com>
Source record: 2249
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham convention to explore important MA, New England Interop Issues -
Examiner.com

Posted: 20 Aug 2012 10:05 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEONC20pLpPB1YlrY9p539_dJd45g&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/ham-convention-to-explore-important-ma-new-england-interop-issues

Ham convention to explore important MA, New England Interop Issues
Examiner.com
The word interoperability raises its head again as the Ham Radio world tries to figure out where exactly it fits in the rapidly changing world of emergency and disaster communications. At one time, it was easy, you called on the RACES (Radio Amateur ...

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The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is active again - Southgate Amateur Radio
Club

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 12:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHxkEUL6yJJlQpxVLMwQg91qQEdOA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/mid_ulster_amateur_radio_club_is_active_again.htm

The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is active again
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
After the success of the weekend activation for IOTA, the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club will, once again, be on air on Saturday 25th August from the site of the infamous Maze Prison, near the City of Lisburn in Northern Ireland. The prison has long ...

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Wolves winger close to completing West Ham move - talkSPORT.co.uk

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 09:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGrRhRPvUgr21FkLocRcM2Cm0nJNA&url=http://www.talksport.co.uk/sports-news/football/premier-league/120823/wolves-winger-close-completing-west-ham-move-179344

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Wolves winger close to completing West Ham move
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West Ham boss Sam Allardyce has revealed that his side are closing in on a deal for Wolves winger Matt Jarvis. Jarvis, who has been capped once by

England, has been the subject of prolonged interest from West Ham in recent weeks, with Allardyce keen to ...

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Norfolk Amateur Radio Club transmits from Happisburgh Lighthouse for special ... - Norwich Evening News

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 11:04 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEE8df51dy0ArfT-hWB-scnODoyvg&url=http://www.eveningnews24.co.uk/news/norfolk_amateur_radio_club_transmits_from_happisburgh_lighthouse_for_special_event_1_1487395

Norwich Evening News
Norfolk Amateur Radio Club transmits from Happisburgh Lighthouse for special ...
Norwich Evening News
The Norfolk Amateur Radio Club (NARC) ran the special event station at the 222 year-old working lighthouse using the call sign GB0HL. Visitors were invited to watch them at work as they communicated with people from as far away as Latvia, France and ...

1583. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 24 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 06:34:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5186f160c1e9304c7fd2a13@google.com>
Source record: 2250
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Hams In Space to Appear at the Joplin Hamfest

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 06:32 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358813-Hams-In-Space-to-Appear-at-the-Joplin-Hamfest&goto=newpost

The Hams In Space Team of KD0HKD ☐ Randy Schulze, KY0F- Eddy Paul, and Jeremy Widner ☐ K0PDX will be providing their presentation on working Amateur Radio Satellites at the Joplin Hamfest in Joplin, Missouri. The Joplin Hamfest, one of the largest hamfests in the region, will be held at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center, just off Exit 8-B along I-44, will be held August 24th and 25th. The Hams In Space Team is scheduled to give their presentation at 9:00 AM CDT on Saturday, the 24th, but will be providing hands-on demonstrations, (weather permitting,) during passes of SO-50 and AO-27. If you☐re a satellite enthusiast, but you☐ll not be able to attend the hamfest, please listen up on SO-50 and AO-27 this Friday and Saturday as we place radios and antennas in the hands of licensed amateur radio operators who☐ve never experienced the excitement working satellites before.

We look forward to hearing you on the birds!

For more information on the Joplin Hamfest, go to: http://www.joplin-arc.org

For more information on the Hams In Space Team, go to:
http://hamsinspace.com

1584. DXCC Certificate

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 07:18:34 UTC
From: Nomen Nescio <nobody@dizum.com>
Message-ID: <886d306722e095012547919d8a313249@dizum.com>
Source record: 2151

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http://www.mediafire.com/view/?9h0f5qt45q8lfki

9-Band DXCC
http://www.mediafire.com/view/?9mdncazrpwr0mhp

1585. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1828 - August 24 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120824090003.CDB6B33C5E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2152
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1828 - August 24 2012

Attention bulletin stations. Please note that this is an extended newscast and contains three breaks. Thank you.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1828 with a release date of August 24 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC releases the text of its report to Congress on the role of amateur radio in emergency communications but provides no relief for hams living with deed restrictions or CC&R's. Also, hams in Quebec Canada get an implied exemption to that Provinces restrictive cellphone law and we take you to the Huntsville Hamfest where Erin King, AK4JG, receives the 2012 Young Ham of the Year Award. Please join with us on an extended Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1828 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FCC RELEASES TEXT OF ITS R&O IN IMPEDIMENTS TO HAM RADIO

The FCC has released its long awaited report to Congress into the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief operations. It also delves into the existence of impediments to this aspect of personal communications. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

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Don't look for Congressional action to override private land use restrictions more commonly known as Conditions Covenants and Restrictions or CC&R's even if hams believe that these restrictions hamper them in times of emergencies. This is because in its report to the legislative body, the FCC says that, in its view, such restrictions do not constitute a significant impediment to ham radio or those in the United States amateur radio service.

In its report, the FCC noted that some of what it calls "commenters" recommend that CC&Rs be preempted if they prohibit antennas that are within certain limits. Others suggest that private land use restrictions on amateur antennas should be permitted only for safety considerations, and not for aesthetic reasons.

However, another group believes that it is not necessary to preempt private land use restrictions in order to promote amateur emergency

communications. This, given the ways that even amateurs subject to CC&Rs can communicate effectively and the nature of amateur emergency communications.

Moreover, while commenters suggest that private land use restrictions have become more common, the FCC's says that its own review of the record does not indicate that amateur operators are unable to find homes that are not subject to such restrictions. Therefore, at this time, the Commission does not see a compelling reason for it to revisit its previous determinations that preemption should not be expanded to CC&Rs.

In relation to other impediments, the Commission says that it has already preempted state and local regulations that do not reasonably accommodate amateur radio communications and do not represent the minimum practicable regulations to accomplish the local authority's legitimate purpose. The Commission says that it has also addressed regulations regarding possession and operation of amateur radio equipment while driving. These are state and local laws that prohibit cellular telephone and texting devices and are many times very broadly written as to catch hams, CB operators and even commercial radio users into a confusing maze of legal webs.

And as to any FCC rules that may be an impediment to the various technical aspects of enhanced - read that as digital amateur service emergency communications, the FCC believes that these matters can be considered through the Commission's rulemaking process. Consequently, it does not believe that Congressional action is necessary to address that issue either.

On the other side of the coin, the FCC notes that the ham radio community and the emergency response and disaster communications communities all agree that amateur radio can be of great value in emergency response situations. The regulatory agency notes that amateur radio carries with it a wide range of advantages that allow it to supplement other emergency communications activities during disasters. This says the FCC, has been demonstrated time and again in a wide variety of emergency and disaster situations including Hurricane Katrina.

But at this point the regulatory agency sort of contradicts itself regarding CC&R's, albeit it may not have noticed its own mistake.

Here, the FCC notes that amateur radio emergency communications require not only stations in a position to originate the emergency message, but also as an alternative to the commercial communications infrastructure impacted by the emergency. This alternative infrastructure is the network of amateur radio operators and their stations that relay messages, build and maintain repeater stations and repeater networks, operate High Frequency message networks to send messages greater distances than are practical with mobile or transportable transmitters, and develop new technologies to improve the reliability of these

networks. As such, the FCC contends that this value could potentially be increased, through cooperation among Department of Homeland Security, public safety, emergency management, and amateur radio emergency communications associations and groups to develop future training protocols.

But what the FCC fails or refuses to address is how radio amateurs living with CC&R's that restrict or outright forbid antennas can possibly pass along emergency traffic using the High Frequency bands. It's not likely that a long wire or dipole hidden in a hams attic is going to break through to any emergency net or pass traffic under adverse conditions. Operating effectively on the High Frequency bands requires decent outdoor antennas hung in the clear and this is something that the FCC fails to address in this section of its report.

Finally, the FCC recommends that the Department of Homeland Security work with state, local, and tribal authorities to develop disaster area access policies and qualifications for trained amateur operators who provide emergency communications support. The only question here is how you get the attention of these agencies, many of whom consider themselves autonomous are not interested in assistance from the public at large.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM in Reno.

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You can download and read the entire 15 page FCC accounting to Congress at tinyurl.com/FCC-To-Congress-Report. It's written pretty much in plain language and might well make an excellent program for radio clubs and on-air discussion nets. This is because it could easily set precedent in regulation of the United States Amateur Service for decades to come. (FCC)

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THE BPL WAR: EU VS RSGB OVER BPL STANDARD

A battle appears to be brewing between the Radio Society of Great Britain and the chairman of the European Union Committee. This after the latter attacked the RSGB's call to arms in the battle against Powerline Transmission radio pollution. A technology better known as Broadband Over Powerline here in the United States. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP,has more:

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The chairman of the European Union committee on Powerline Networking has responded to the Radio Society of Great Britain's call to arms, claiming that every minute of filibustering pollutes the radio spectrum more.

According to the UK newspaper the Register, the Radio Society of Great Britain says that the new standard for broadband powerline

transmission, will water down existing requirements. This it says will open the way to greater spectrum pollution. As such, the RSGB has asked members to lobby their local representatives.

But Ronald Storrs, Chair of the committee defining the standard refutes that. He claims that it is the RSGB that is risking the airwaves with - and we quote" "their pointless protests and inflexible attitude."

The problem is that sending data signals over unshielded mains wiring, as Broadband Over Powerline transmissions does generates radio interference. And as the manufacturers push to increase speeds that interference is spreading into the frequencies used by other radio services. That, says the RSGB, is unacceptable.

But BPL or PLT equipment manufacturers have a totally different view. They say that the devices don't generate significant interference. Rather it's the mains wiring is the culprit. The manufacturers also contend that in many homes the wiring is sufficiently shielded that no interference is generated. As such they will continue to sell their devices legally.

Meantime UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom has taken a back seat in this matter. It says that it can't do anything as the devices themselves aren't radio transmitters so fall outside their purview. Ofcom says it's waiting for the new standard to be enacted which will give it some authority to regulate Broadband over Powerline technology.

So it appears that a proverbial line has been drawn in the sand between the UK ham radio community represented by the Radio Society of Great Britain and those who want to sell Broadband Over Powerline or PLT gear. And while the European Union's Storrs agrees that BPL is generating unacceptable interference, he says that every day there isn't an applicable standard in place more unrestricted gear is getting into the marketplace. He adds that the intransigence of United Kingdom's ham radio community isn't helping.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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According to Storrs, the manufacturers of this equipment are dead set against the proposed new standard. He also notes that the new standard already has the support of the International Amateur Radio Union and that this leaves the UK hams standing alone against the European Union. You can read the entire Register article on-line at tinyurl.com/UK-PLT-Fight (Southgate, The Register)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WB2QLP

repeater serving Naples, Florida.

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: JOEL KLEINMAN, N1BKE, S-K

Ham radio has lost one of its most ardent supporters with the untimely passing of QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, who died in a house fire on Saturday, August 18th. Amateur Radio Newslines Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, has the details on this truly sad moment for all of us:

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Neighbors of the Kleinman family were first to discover the fire that claimed the life of Joel Kleinman and left his widow, Jayne, hospitalized.

According to several news accounts, the fire inside Kleinman's Meriden, Connecticut home was pushing out heavy smoke when neighbors discovered it and some of them raced into the burning dwelling. Reports say they first pulled out Kleinman's wife, Jayne, who was already unconscious and is hospitalized at MidState Medical Center. Investigators say the rescuers saved her life.

But news accounts quote the neighbors who were involved in the daring and dangerous action as saying the heavy smoke prevented them from reaching the second floor where Joel Kleinman was found by firefighters. The medical examiner says the 64-year-old Kleinman died of smoke inhalation and he ruled the death accidental.

Joel Kleinman had been the managing editor for the American Radio Relay League's QST magazine since 2001. But his history with the ARRL goes all the way back to 1976 when he was hired by the organization to target young people with science, and amateur satellites.

A graduate of the University of Montana with a journalism degree, Kleinman - who didn't have a ham license at the time - embraced the role.

It didn't take long for his ARRL bosses to recognize his skills and he quickly moved into the operations of QST where among the jobs he held was editorial assistant and features editor. By 1988, Kleinman was promoted to book team supervisor for ARRL's publications and other media. His return to QST as the top boss a few years later, clearly was a recognition by the ARRL management of his value to the monthly publication that reaches thousands of amateurs every month.

QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY called Kleinman: "...the quiet man behind the scenes, shouldering much of the burden that comes with creating 164 pages of new content every month. Joel set a high standard for all who may follow him." _ ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN issued a statement:

"With the passing of Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, we have lost not only a respected professional colleague, but also a friend." _ Kleinman was the former president of the Newington Amateur Radio League and was a member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association.

Funeral arrangements for Joel Kleinman were still pending as we were going to air.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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Our hearts and prays go out to the Kleinman family on this very tragic loss.

(ARNewsline(tm), ARRL, Meriden Patch, Meriden Record-Journal)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC LOWERS FINE ISSUED TO FORT MEYERS UNLICENSED STATION

The FCC has lowered a fine imposed on an unlicensed broadcaster. This after he provided proof that the initial amount would prove a hardship that he could not afford to pay.

As previously reported, this past June 5th the Enforcement Bureau's Tampa Florida Office issued a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Albert R. Knighten, Jr. of Fort Meyers. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio station.

In response to the proposed fine Knighten admitted to, and apologized for, the violation. He also urged cancellation or reduction of the proposed $15,000 forfeiture, asserting that his financial situation could not the permit payment of the fine that the FCC had levied against him.

After examining the financial documents provided by Knighten, the FCC found sufficient basis to reduce the forfeiture to $1,200. However, it also cautioned Knighten that a party's inability to pay is only one factor in its forfeiture calculation analysis. It told him that it had previously rejected inability to pay claims in cases of repeated or otherwise egregious violations. In closing it warned Knighten that future violations of this kind could result in significantly higher forfeitures that may not be reduced due to financial circumstances.

Knighten was given the customary 30 days from the August 21st date of the order to pay the reduced forfeiture. If he fails to do so the matter could be turned over to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: LACK OF EAS GEAR BRINGS $10000 FINE

The license holder of a low-power FM in Mission, Texas will likely have to pay a $10,000 fine. This, for its admitted failure to install and maintain working Emergency Alert System or EAS equipment. Amateur Radio Newsline welcomes George Bowen, W2XBS, who has this report:

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Intercity Christian Youth Program, Inc. is the licensee for low power station KCYP. Responding to a complaint, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Houston Texas office inspected the station this past March. At that time the manager admitted to the agents the station had operated without EAS gear since the facility went on the air in 2007. KCYP also had no EAS logs to document that the facility had ever had such gear installed or that it had ever conducted the required weekly or monthly EAS tests.

The base fine for not having operational EAS gear is $8,000. The commission tacked on another $2,000 because it appears the station has not had working EAS gear for the better part of five years.

The station was 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. KCYP must provide a sworn statement to the Houston office of the Enforcement Bureau certifying that it now has had E-A-S equipment installed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im George Bowen, W2XBS, in Albany, New York.

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According to the FCC, every broadcast station is part of the nationwide Emergency Alert System network and is categorized as a participating national EAS source. This in turn means that all stations must ensure their EAS encoders and decoders are installed and working properly. (FCC, RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED BROADCASTER BUSTED UNDER FLORIDA LAW

Romayne Davis, who local Florida police say operated an unlicensed radio station, is now free on bond. Police say Davis operated an illegal station out of a warehouse since March using a laptop running iTunes.

The investigation began in July when a listener to American Public Media's Classical South Florida WKCP FM in Miami complained that rap music was interfering with the legitimate signal on 89.7 MHz. Police recovered a computer, transmitter and other gear which they said was used to broadcast the unauthorized station on an adjacent frequency of 89.5 MHz.

Unlike the FCC which normally issues fines for unlicensed operations, under Florida's strict state law regarding unauthorized transmissions, Davis, who had turned himself into authorities, could face up to five years in prison for his unlicensed station operation. (RW, WPEC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SEEKS COMMENT ON REGULATORY FEES FOR INDUSTRIES IT OVERSEES

Public comments to the FCC about the best way to collect regulatory fees from the industries that the agency oversees are due in mid-September.

The agency notes a lot has changed in the telecommunications marketplace since its current system for assessing and collecting regulatory fees was enacted in 1994. Back then, commission regulation centered mostly on wired local and long distance. Since then the wireless industry exploded, shifting agency resources to that industry.

Complicating things further, telephone companies have entered the video market, cable operators are winning voice customers, satellite operators offer competitive radio, television and broadband services and wireless services abound.

Comments to MD Docket 12-201 are due September 12th. Payment of the existing fees for this year are due by September 13th. This commentary period does not apply to amateur radio or other personal radio services. (FCC, RW)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SAYS YES TO TOWER IN WILDLIFE VS. TOWER CHALLENGE

In a case involving the possibility of bird collisions with towers, the FCC has decided in favor of both the tower and its owner American Tower Corporation. Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash, reports:

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Last April Michael Pearson of Marshall, Arkansas, raised several issues before the Commission related to a 314 foot structure registered to American Tower that was under construction in the area. American Tower suspended construction while the "Emergency Petition to Compel Compliance" order was reviewed.

In his petition to the FCC Pearson said that because the tower would be in wooded and pasture land area, and also within 4,000 feet of a wildlife management area, that the tower would negatively affect migratory birds and endangered species. This included mountain lions, bobcats and even skunks.

But in giving American Tower the green light to resume construction, the FCC said his complaint did not meet the standard for requesting environmental review. It said that Pearson didn't identify endangered

species that could be specifically affected by the tower. Rather he had listed non endangered species in the area.

Possibly more important, the FCC also stated that the proximity of a tower to a wildlife management area does not, by itself, mean that a structure may have a significant effect on the environment.

As previously reported, environmental assessments are now required for proposed new towers over 450 feet above ground level, for replacement or modification of existing structures over 450 feet that involve a major size increase or for certain lighting changes to towers over 450 feet tall. This decision is very significant as it gives insight as to how the agency will likely handle these cases in the future.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH.

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As we go to air its unknown if Peasrson will accept the FCC's decision or if he will appeal it up the Administrative Procedures chain. FCC, RW

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WITH NEWSLINE: WHO IS STILL USING PHONE LINE ACCESS SURVEY

This note to those of you who still receive these newscasts over our 661-296-2407 dial in line rater than downloading the MP3 file from our website. Of late we have noticed a major decline in the number of those calling into it and as such we are giving consideration to discontinuing it by years end. But before we do, we want to know how many people are actually using it. If you are one of those who call in each week on the phone, please send us a note telling us who you are and the reason you are using telephone access rather than simply downloading the newscast from the Internet. Our address is the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California, 91350. Or you can e-mail us at newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. We look forward to hearing from you. (ARNewsline)

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RADIO BUSINESS: NEW CHINA BUILT DUAL BAND MOBILE FOR UNDER $225

Get ready for the first 2 meter and 70 centimeter dual band mobile selling for under $225 including shipping. At least that's the price

being quoted in an on-line advertisement from the Hong Kong-based 409 Shop for the new Baojie model BJ-UV55 dual band mobile radio.

Like its Japan built counterparts, the BJ-UV55 has most of the features one expects from a basic dual band mobile. The radio features a large blue back lit LCD display that shows both frequencies programmed in at the same time. The transmitter runs 35 watts out on 70 centimeters and 45 watts on 2 meters. The manufacturer claims a receiver sensitivity of between .18 to .22 microvolts depending on selected bandwidth, 128 memory channels, both CTCSS and Digital CTCSS tone encoding, a DTMF microphone and even a built-in FM broadcast band receiver.

The negative on this radio is that nowhere in the advertisement is there any mention of the Baojie BJ-UV55 being FCC certified either under Part 15 or Part 90 making it illegal to import to the United States. Nor is there any service or repair station in the United States. That means returning a radio to the China-based manufacturer should it require maintenance. And as with any product purchased from a non-United States dealer, this can be more expensive than the price of the radio itself.

You can see this new dual bander on-line at tinyurl.com/Baojie-dual-band-mobile. And as we say with anything purchased from an overseas dealer, be certain that its legal to import and use here in the United States. Even more important are two words Caveat Emptor, which means buyer beware. (ARNewsline)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NZ4O MF/HF/6M PROPAGATIONS FORECASTS GO DAILY

Thomas Giella has announced that his NZ4O Medium Frequency, High Frequency and 6 Meter Radio Wave Propagation Forecast is now published on a 'daily' basis. It can be found on line at www.solarcycle24.org and www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm. Thomas notes that each new edition will be available at around 1300 UTC, but that there will be no daily e-mail notice about its being posted. Just check the websites for the daily updates. (NZ4O)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMATEUR RADIO AND POLITICS MEAN LOTS OF PEOPLE

North Carolina's Charlotte Observer reports that the 1,500 hotel rooms in Gaston County are solidly booked because of the Democrat Party's National Convention and a rather famous amateur radio Hamfest.

The newspaper says that the Shelby Hamfest takes place Labor Day weekend September 1st and 2nd. Meantime the 2012 Democratic National Convention is being held in the city of Charlotte from September 3rd to the 6th. And while no delegates to the convention are staying in Gaston County there are support people such as FBI agents, U.S. and foreign media and peripheral groups such as lobbyists who need places

to stay.

The annual Shelby Hamfest is one of the nations best attended amateur radio events. It is held at Biggerstaff Park in Dallas, North Carolina. The paper says that in 2011 about 12,800 ham radio enthusiasts from 30 states showed up. Many camped in RVs, but lots more stayed in local hotels. More on the hamfest is on-line at shelbyhamfest.com. (Charlotte Observer, Southgate)

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ON THE AIR: N1Y TO COMMEMORATE THE 9/11 2001 TERRORIST ATTACKS

Members of the Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club will once again be operational as N1Y on September 8th and 9th. This in commemoration of those who lost their lives in the September 11th, 2001, al Quida lead terrorist attacks that felled the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City.

N1Y will be operating on 40, 20 and 15 meters using CW and SSB, in the General portions of those bands. A special QSL may be had by sending a SASE to W2SBL at the address found on QRZ.com. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: HAM ROAD RALLEYER REACHES MONGOLIA Despite a small war in Tajikistan, a pair of road rally enthusiasts have reached Mongolia. Neil Melville, PA9N, and Helen Woolnough, driving their 9 year old 1.1 liter Fiat Panda are taking part in the Mongol Rally where participants drive, in no more than six weeks, from the United Kingdom to Ulaanbaatar in Mongolia, using a thoroughly unsuitable car of 1.2 liters or less.

Woolnough and Meloville's entry is called The Uncertainty Principle and they started on their epic journey from the UK on July 14th. On Sunday, August 19th their location was given as 46.37 North and 96.25 East placing them near their goal.

The pair are driving the race to raise money for the Lotus Children's Centre Charitable Trust and UNICEF. By the time the event ends, they will have covered more than 10,000 miles through 19 countries, with no outside support.

Over the years PA9N has given many presentations to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium in Guildford, England. His first spacecraft project was the eXpress-OSCAR 53 satellite better known as XO-53. Here on Earth you can follow their route and blog at theuncertaintyprinciple.co.uk. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: THE BBC TO TEST TURNING OFF MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMISSIONS

The British Broadcasting Corporation is undertaking a five week trial of switching off existing Medium Wave services for four BBC local radio

stations. The experiment runs from the 17th of August to the 24th of September and affects BBC Radio Kent, BBC Radio Lincolnshire, BBC Radio Merseyside and BBC Radio Nottingham.

The BBC say one way to make savings and preserve value to licensee fee payers is to switch off Medium Wave services except where listeners depend upon Medium Wave as an alternative to FM or Digital Audio Broadcasting. Medium Wave services in the UK mainly duplicate what is already available on FM and DAB, and most listeners will be able to hear their local stations on FM. Medium Wave is a European term that describes what we call the AM broadcast band here in the United States.

The BBC notes that the aim of the trial is to get a better understanding of the impact of the loss of Medium Wave would have on its core listeners and also enable the broadcaster to ensure adequate coverage is available on other platforms in these regions. (BBC)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO LAW: QUEBEC ANTI CELLPHONE WHILE DRIVING LAW NOW EXCLUDES TWO WAY RADIO

Some good news for hams living in the Canadian Province of Quebec. A four year old law banning the use of cellular phones while driving now has an implied exemption for those using two-way radio gear including radio amateurs. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the latest:

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According to a news release from Radio Amateurs of Quebec, the ban on the use of cellular telephones while driving came into force in April of 2008. Since that time different police departments have issued tickets for the use of various types of devices which in each departments view could be construed as a mobile telephone system.

Those who have received these tickets have vigorously contested them. But over the years the various courts hearing these cases have expanded considerably on what they believed the meaning of the law was to include a multitude of communications equipment far from cellular telephones.

Now, after four years of uncertainty the situation has now been clarified by amendments to the Highway Safety Code which came into effect this past June 6th. A new article of the code simply says that no person may, while driving a road vehicle, may use a hand-held device that includes a telephone function. More important, the first paragraph does not apply to a two-way radio or any cordless voice communication device which does not allow the parties to speak simultaneously.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera_Howell, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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According to the new version of the law, for the purposes of enforcement, a driver in Quebec who is holding a hand-held device that includes a telephone function is presumed to be using the device. This prohibition does not apply to drivers of emergency vehicles in the performance of their duties. (VE2LGL, RAQI)

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RADIO THROUGH SPACE: MARS ROVER GETS SOFTWARE UPDATE

NASA's Mars Science Laboratory at JPL team has sent a software update to the Curiosity Rover on Mars, more than 160 million miles away. According to Venturebeat dot com, the software had to be updated because Curiosity needed different directions to drive around on Mars than it did to land on the planet's surface.

The computer hardware in the Curiosity Rover is powered by a pair of computers built by BAE Systems. These RAD750 computers use a 10-year-old IBM PowerPC microprocessor running at a relatively slow 132 megahertz. These machines also have only 120 megabytes of random access memory, but are built to withstand wild temperature swings, radiation, and physical shaking.

The drawback is that the computers on the robot vehicle did not have enough memory for both the landing and its surface missions. So NASA had to swap out the software over four days of communication through the void of space. It took so long because it takes about 14 minutes to send the signal to the rover and another 14 minutes to get a response back. (Venturebeat.com)

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DX

In DX, K7BV, having recovered from a serious medical condition, is returning to Asia for a short visit between August 25th and September 2nd. He will be using his HS0ZKS callsign on HF bands from the home of HS1CHB, and hopes to QSO friends from around the world. He may also get on the air from Japan as well using his call JF1XJR. QSL via K7BV's new address at 290 West Road, Turkey, North Carolina 28393.

W7XA will be active stroke DU1 through August 27th from near Tagaytay Ridge which is about 40 miles south of Manila in the Philippines. His operation is on 20, 17 and 15 meters using mostly CW and some SSB. QSL via his home callsign as found on QRZ.com.

OE4JHW will be operational as 8Q7OE from the Maldives between September 3rd and the 14th. Activity will be holiday style on 40 through 10 meters using SSB and BPSK. He will focus on stations from DL, HB0, HB9 and OE, as well as on North and South America. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. Also electronically using either Logbook of the World or eQSL.

Lastly, CT1FJZ says that he is now in Angola and is expected to be there for one year working in Benguela and Huambo. Look for him to be active as D2FJZ, mainly on the weekends and limited times during the weekdays. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters SSB. QSL to his home callsign, by the bureau or direct.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HONORING ERIN KING, AK4JG - THE ARNEWSLINE 2012 YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

And finally this week, we want to take a moment to congratulate 18 year old Erin King, AK4JG, and receiving her award as the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. The ceremony was held at the Huntsville Hamfest where I had the honor of being the award presentation emcee, but it was truly AK4JG's moment to shine:

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AE5DW: "Ladies and gentlemen it is my pleasure to introduce to you a very impressive young lady. This is Erin King. She is your 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. Erin, the floor is yours. (Applause)

AK4JG: "Thank you. Thank you. Thanks Don. Thanks to everyone who has helped to make this possible.

"When I did my project with the tube and with all the ham radio stuff that I've been doing so far, I had no idea that it going to bring me this far. I had no idea that I was going to have the opportunity to earn this award or that any of this would be possible.

"Its been a lot of fun. I've been a ham for about four years now and I have learned so much and have met a ton of great people and ham radio has become an integral part of my life and its one of the primary reasons that I'm making the decisions for the future that I'm going to have.

"So it's all very exciting. I'm very excited to be here to earn this award, so thank you very much (applause).

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The Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is jointly underwritten by Yaesu USA Corporation, CQ Publishing and Heil Sound. Yaesu has been with the award since its inception some 27 years ago. This year the company was represented by its Executive Vice President of Amateur Radio Sales and Marketing Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV:

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K7BV: "Hi Erin and congratulations from Yaesu. We don't want you to go off the air while you are traveling around with all of your schooling, We want you to have a radio that you get on the air with no matter where you go and that would be our portable FT-817ND. We hope that you will pack it in your bag and take it with you all the way to your CEO position with a Fortune 500 company sometime soon. So congratulations."

AK4JG: "Thank you. (applause)"

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Part of the award is an expense paid trip to Spacecamp Huntsville courtesy of CQ Publishing. CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, took a bit of time to comment on quality of those nominated:

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W2VU: We've had a tremendous time being involved with the Young Ham of the Year Award and I've been honored to be one of the judges since we became involved and the quality of the young people who have been nominated has been just wonderful and it makes me very optimistic for the future of our hobby. And this is year after year."

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Last but by no means least the awards newest corporate sponsor Heil Sound. Not only did founder Bob Heil, K9EID, present Erin with a pair of the company's new headphones, but he also gave her a very special invitation to appear with him on his TWiT TV program Ham Nation:

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K9EID: "Well we are so happy for you and we want to stay in touch with you as you get through all the wonderful things that happen in ham radio. Come and visit us on Ham Nation and I really hope that we can have you as a guest real soon."

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And there you have it for yet another year. The 27th consecutive year that this award has been presented and the 19th consecutive year that the presentation has been made at the Huntsville Hamfest. And in that regard we want to express our thank you to Charlie Emerson, N4OKL, and his team that puts on this annual event and to Dave Bell, W6AQ, who sponsors the Young Ham of the Year plaque. And also to Tom Medlin,

W5KUB, who live streamed the presentation over the Internet for all to see on W5KUB.com and to Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, of Amateur Radio Video News who video recorded it for posterity. We thank you all. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, Twit-TV and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor's desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1586. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 24 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 11:08:46 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d043c8024675d6c04c800ffd4@google.com>
Source record: 2153
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Dr. Mark Hammond N8MH to speak at Space Colloquium

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The AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium, which will be held on the weekend of 15-16 September at the Holiday Inn Hotel, Guildford, is open to all

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FCC releases Congressionally Mandated Study on Amateur Radio

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On August 20 - in response to a Spring 2012 Congressional directive - the Federal Communications Commission released its findings on the Uses and Capabilities of Amateur Radio Service Communications in Emergencies and Disaster Relief: Report to Congress Pursuant to Section 6414 of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012

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British 'Phantom' star may tour to ISS

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Singer Sarah Brightman may be the next paying passenger to ride a Russian rocket to the International Space Station, the Interfax news agency reported on Wednesday, citing an unidentified official in the space industry in Russia

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ARISS ham radio contact with Institute for Education on Space, Wakayama University, Japan

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An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at Institute for Education on Space,
Wakayama University, Wakayama, Japan on 26 August

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Summer Section Manager election results announced

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tion_results_announced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two Section Manager elections this summer were decided by member balloting:
ARRL Connecticut Section Manager Betsey Doane, K1EIC, was re-elected to a
new term, and John Mueller, K2BT, was elected as the new ARRL Western New
York Section Manager

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Motorbike Mobile in India

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This video was shot during the 65th Indian Independence celebrations in
August and shows motorbike mobile operations by VU2MUE

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Vulture 2 APRS Spaceplane

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The Low Orbit Helium Assisted Navigator (LOHAN) Vulture 2 spaceplane will
carry the amateur radio APRS system

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SOTA activation in Serra do Maro, Portugal

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Paulo Teixeira,CT2IWW and Manuel Moreira,CT2HMR will be active from the
Serra do Marão (1410m), in Northern Portugal, for the program SOTA -
Summits On The Air, on this Sunday, August 26th

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Worcester 1940s RAF Emergency Ops Room

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Members of the Worcester Amateur Radio Association will be displaying WWII communications equipment this weekend

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

1587. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 26 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 11:58:19 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <26a07380-511b-421c-801c-65648e9a44e8@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2154
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-08-26.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - August 26 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING AUGUST 26 2012.

HAMS KILLED IN TRAGIC ACCIDENTS

A LOOK AT THE WIA BOOKSHOP WITH VK3FDSL

DOES VK1 HAVE AUSTRALIA'S TOP CLUB?

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING AUG 26 2012.

QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE - SK

N1BKE died from injuries received during a house fire. He was 64.

Kleinman was responsible for the coordination, organization, control and
completion of all aspects of QST's editorial content each month. Kleinman's
wife Jayne survived the fire, but is currently in the intensive care unit
of a local hospital.

According to the Meriden Record-Journal, David Chester, who lives across the
street from the Kalimna's -- and about 20 others who were in his backyard at
the time of the fire were the first responders to the blaze. "It was crazy,"
Chester told the newspaper. "Somebody smelled smoke, and most everyone went
over there immediately."

Others immediately ran into the house to save Jayne Kleinman. "Steve [one of Chester's friends] said he saw her legs and pulled on them," Chester said. "The other two grabbed her from her back, and together they brought her out onto the front lawn."

Fire-fighters located Joel Kleinman in a bedroom on the second floor and paramedics treated him at the scene, but he died later at a local hospital.

The ARRL is collecting condolence messages to forward on to Joel's family. If you would like send a message, please email it to, news@arrl.org

ABC Local Radio stations throughout Australia did a great job publicising The ILLW.

Adelaide's Ashley Walsh from 891 interviewed the group at Cape Wolloughby then Sunday morning local ABC Hobart 936 with Chris Wisbey contacted four lighthouse stations around Tasmania.

Chris spent 23 minutes talking with:

Ray VK7VKV operating VK7LH from Low Head lighthouse on the mouth of the Tamar;

Andrew VK7AW operating from the Iron Pot Lighthouse at the mouth of the Derwent;

Erica from the Friends of Tasman Island as Mike VK7FB and Anne VK7BYL were setting up their amateur radio stations on Tasman Island;

Tony VK3VTH/7 and Dale VK7YR at the Currie lighthouse on King Island in Bass Strait.

A recording of the Tassie conversation can be found at:

https://dl.dropbox.com/u/59004910/LightHouseWeekend_Wisbey_20120819.mp3

A fantastic promotion of the event and amateur radio.

Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society have on their web site the audio from their ABC Local Radio.

http://www.ahars.com.au/

(David Clegg President AHARS & Justin, VK7TW)

IARU welcomes dot-radio

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has embraced the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) proposal that dot-radio be used to help to create a global radio community.

IARU President Tim Ellam VE6SH said the IARU believes that the proposal, to be submitted by the EBU, could provide a unique opportunity to standardise Radio domain names on the Internet.

In a letter Tim VE6SH said, "I recommend that the dot-radio Top Level Domain proposal of the EBU be approved by ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned

Names and Numbers)."

The IARU has been the voice of the world Amateur Radio community since 1925 with a 160 strong membership.

EBU Director General, Ingrid Deltenre said the IARU comments are an expression of confidence.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

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VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

AUG 26 VK2 Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club WinterFest CANCELLED.

Julian VK2YJS, Publicity Officer, WICEN NSW says that
each year WICEN NSW assists in the running of Trek for Timor, a
significant fund-raising walk, by providing communications on a range
of VHF and UHF Amateur and non-Amateur frequencies.

This year, the event, which raises funds for community development in
Timor Leste (said Lest-Ay), including the provision of vocational training,
will be held in the spectacular Blue Mountains to the west of Sydney, on
Saturday 15 September. WICEN is seeking further operators, current
members or otherwise, for the event. Any new operators would be
paired with an experienced member. F-calls are most welcome.

WICEN ACT also have a number of events over the next few months, and
would appreciate participation by Amateurs in the Territory, and from
south-eastern New South Wales.

You can find your local WICEN by visiting wicen.org.au and selecting
the relevant state.

http://www.trekfortimorbm.org.au/

http://www.nsw.wicen.org.au/

WICEN ACT: http://www.crarc.ampr.org/index.php/Main/WICEN
CRARC Events: http://www.crarc.ampr.org/index.php/Main/Events

VK1

Many times WIA National News and the various state run local news services
cry out for input from clubs as to what they are doing and we are met with
"Very Little, nothing of interest to other hams."

Well Glenn Taylor, vk1nut C.R.A.R.C. President has issued a "State of the
Nation" summary report of CRARC's Services, this is much like the late great
Chris Jones of the WIA delivered in the first year of the WIA becoming a true
national body.

I'd suggest all clubs read this and do up their own versions, you may very
well be surprised at your result!

Glenn addressed the MANY services that CRARC provides.

Membership:
CRARC has the highest number of members on record for the year 2011/2012
A credit to the greater variety of interests in amateur radio than there
have been for years and your continuing interest in supporting your club.
You should be proud of your association with CRARC and to make you feel
extra special, please consider getting a CRARC Membership Certificate
to hang on your shack wall.

VK1-News:
CRARC run the VK1-News email news by free subscription, generally individual
emails are in the form of a bulletin as news comes to light to keep you up
to date with the latest information, then a summary of the months happenings
at the end of the month.

VK1-Reflector:
If you wish to discuss anything with your fellow amateurs, there is an email based "VK1-Reflector" for the benefit of all that wish to subscribe to it.

Monthly General Meetings:
CRARC brings to their members one topic each month in the form of a presentation. Trash and Treasure nights at least twice a year.

Tech Nights:
Every second Wednesday is a Tech night at Mt Mugga starting at 7.30 pm , with helpful advice and hands on help with that special project. They have test equipment and repair equipment that can make your project easier to be completed.

VK1ACA Club House Radio Shack:
They are getting closer to completing the brand new Mt Mugga CRARC radio shack with 6m, 2m, 70cm, HF and DSTAR operating between two consoles all on modern radios available for members use.

Fifth Wednesday of the Month "On Air at Home" Night:
Some months have a bonus extra 5th Wednesday, so it is always fun to work from home and try out a different mode or test out that piece of gear you now have.

Web Site:
CRARC runs a comprehensive web site with tons of details to either get you started in something new, or just find out what is happening around the traps.

Education Services:
CRARC regularly schedules a Foundation course every two months, a team of dedicated volunteers and assessments for all levels of Amateur Licences.

QSL Inwards and Outwards Bureau service:
Let us do your QSL'ing for you.

VK1 Awards:
CRARC have the long running VK1 Award to encourage contact with the elusive VK1's by using a variety of bands. It is a great Award just for making contact with you, and it looks great too!

WICEN:
WICEN (ACT) is very active with a typical number of events per year can be as high as eight in the Canberra district including bicycle events, car rallies, horse endurance and carriage events, and walking events.

Repeaters: Mt Ginini , Isaacs Ridge
All repeaters owned and operated by CRARC in early 2013 will have the standard Wireless Institute of Australia Repeater sub tone of 91.5 Hz CTCSS added to their programming.

VK1 Technical Group:
CRARC have a small but dedicated team that maintains theses UHF, VHF and DSTAR repeaters.

Interference:
If you need help with eliminating interference from your equipment to services like television, radio or even your HiFi, just contact CRARC.

Nets:
The VK1 local D-STAR Net is held each Tuesday night at 2000 hrs. on VK1RWN G to help anyone become familiar with DSTAR or just to have a chat in this mode.

All are welcome to check in.

So there it is .. a MOST impressive club, how about it the rest of VK, can your club match that of Canberra? Put pen to paper and voice to mp3 and drop national news and your local state news services your report and "show the world."

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Ipswich & District Radio Club
P.O. Box 250
Ipswich Qld 4305
Web - www.vk4wip.com
Email - vk4wip@wia.org.au
Main 2 meter repeater - 146.900, linked to 438.375 and 439.300

As part of the Ipswich and District Radio Club's 50th year celebrations, they have secured special callsign VI4WIP50 Victor India 4 Whiskey India Papa 50.

Club members have put together a roster to work the bands for the licence period from August 25 until September 8.

While the club won't be on air 24/7 during the two weeks approved by ACMA, there will be plenty of opportunities to work this very special call-sign.

At this stage weekends and some week-nights the club house will be open as members attempt to work as many stations as possible.

Listen up for VI4WIP50, from August 25.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call

A recent lunchtime conversation between Hams revealed that the perception that you need to upgrade your license is still alive and well.

Now, I should start by saying that I'm all for upgrading your skill level and learning. Getting a higher grade license is an excellent way to formalise the process of training and encouraging yourself to learn specific skills, but that notion is not related in any way to your ability to participate as an active amateur.

I know that I keep saying that Power is not the Answer, it's what you do with what you have that makes all the difference.

The more I come across other amateurs, the more I realise that if I look at my Foundation License as a QRP, or low-power license, the more I can find challenges to tackle and investigate. I'm actively investigating new antenna types and ways to get my signal out to the world.

Last weekend I spent several hours looking for new take-off points around my QTH, my home-town, and have found several promising locations that need investigating.

The thing I like about Amateur Radio is that it's as much about being self-driven and motivated as it is about joining forces with other Amateurs who are either trying to achieve something that runs in parallel to your goals, or who have achieved what you're aiming for.

My personal goal, for no other reason that I'd like to prove to myself that it can be done is to achieve the DXCC, an amateur radio award, earned by making contact with 100 or more geographic entities around the world, using just my Foundation License. I don't know if it has been done or not and while I could spend an enjoyable Sunday finding out, it's more about showing myself that it can be done. I don't know if I am going to take a month, a year or a decade to do this, but that's my aim. One thing I know is that I'll be talking to lots of people around the world to get there - hi hi.

So, my question to you is, what motivates you to use your License, Foundation or otherwise?

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

DON'T MENTION THE WAR!

A MILITARY radio found in a bunker on Iwo Jima was probably the one used by the Japanese army to send its final message before the island was overrun by US soldiers, a news.com.au report says.

The transmitter was found in an underground bunker, near the remains of a Japanese soldier, an official said.

The bunker, in the north of the volcanic island, is believed to have functioned as the Japanese Imperial Army's communications centre, the Tokyo Shimbun said.

The message, which is widely known in Japan for its poetic expressions of self-sacrifice, redolent of the era of the samurai, says "arrows and bullets are exhausted" and "sorrow comes as I fall".

About 22,000 Japanese and 7,000 US soldiers died during the month-long battle in early 1945, which is seen as a key moment in the conflict.

www.news.com.au/breaking-news/world/iwo-jima-final-transmission-radio-found/story-e6frfkui-1226454449185#ixzz245LHaIed

IT'S ALL DONE BY MIRRORS

Several projects around the world seek to harvest solar radiation as the push continues for the sun become a major source of renewable energy.

VK3PC says a Solar Concentrator Power Station, using curved reflecting mirrors to track the sun, is proposed for Carwarp near Mildura in Victoria, delivering local jobs in its construction and ultimately power.

Four smaller solar power stations already built in central Australia.

Near Las Vegas in the USA one of the largest solar thermal farms is to be switched on in 2013 using 170,000 mirrors to concentrate sunlight to three towers.

In Paris the iconic Eiffel Tower will start making its own electricity and hot water by the end of 2013, although it will not change the tower's famous silhouette.

For the Olympics Games in Rio 2016 a solar tower and urban waterfall has been suggested to help provide the city with power.

UK PANDA ARRIVES IN MONGOLIA

Despite a small war in Tajikistan Neil Melville PA9N and Helen Woolnough driving their 9 year old 1.1 litre Fiat Panda, have now made it to Mongolia.

They are taking part in the Mongol Rally where participants drive, in no more than six weeks, from the UK to Ulaanbaatar in Mongolia, using a thoroughly unsuitable car of 1.2 litres or less.

Over the years Neil PA9N has given many presentations to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium so on the underside of the bonnet they have an AMSAT-UK logo with the caption "You can have even more FUN in space".

No doubt with this seen each and every time they raise the bonnet LOT'S have seen the AMSAT logo.

This summer, in the USA, the ARRL offered teachers the opportunity to learn about ways to incorporate wireless technology into their classroom through its Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology (TI).

Since 2004, the ARRL has sponsored TI sessions as part of its educational outreach to schools.

This professional development training is offered at no cost to the teachers, but is funded through grants and donations to the ARRL's Education & Technology Program.

The Teachers Institute has provided teachers from elementary school to the university level with tools and strategies to introduce basic electronics, the science of radio, space technology and satellite communications, as well as weather science, introduction to micro-controllers and basic robotics in their classrooms.

The curriculum is designed for motivated teachers and other school staff who want to learn more about wireless technology and bring that knowledge to their students.

UK Regulator Ofcom is seeking views on the potential uses of newly available spectrum in the VHF frequency band.

Around 6 MHz of spectrum between 143 MHz and 156 MHz is becoming available for civil use. Spectrum in this band is used mainly by Private Mobile Radio, however Ofcom will consider all potential uses and users that can be accommodated.

In much of the world the amateur radio 2m band extends from 144-148 MHz instead of the 144-146 MHz allocated in the UK.

This spectrum release could open the way for a great many more civil users to operate close to the amateur radio 2m band.

Information on the consultation and details of how to respond online are at http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/consultations/call-for-input/

VHF Spectrum Release in the range 143 MHz to 156 MHz Call for Input - http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/consultations/call-for-input/summary/main.pdf

The consultation closes 5 p.m., Friday 12 October 2012.

BETTER THAN SEX

Henry Lundell VK2ZHE points us all to the Monday 20th of August edition of The Sydney Morning Herald where he spotted a report on the 15th International EME Conference held in Cambridge in the UK. This Conference was hosted by the UK Microwave Group and as well as EME-specific lectures there were presentations on radio astronomy and deep space communications.

You will be looking for the article "Big bounce better than Olympics and Sex!"

www.smh.com.au/world/science/big-bounce-better-than-olympics-8230-and-sex-20120819-24gji.html

This topical item features Michael Farrell VK2FLR of Glebe in Sydney NSW.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAM IN WALES USES UNUSUAL APPROACH TO WIN TOWER FIGHT

A ham in Wales has won a tower dispute with the town he lives in by taking a very different approach. He accused the town's community council of bordering on racism and won an appeal to erect a fourth tower in his garden.

We have more in this report:

Michael Butler, GW0MNP, had his planning application for a 21 foot antenna mast rejected three times in under a year but he did not give up. In what may best be called an unprecedented

three-pronged attack, Butler not only accused the city council of racism but also wrote letters accusing the Gazette newspaper of being "biased and sarcastic" and calling borough Mayor councillor Marlene Thomas "an idiot".

According to Wales dot com, Butler, of Green Meadow, sent a stinging letter to Cefn Cribwr Community Council last month. In it he claimed that their "prejudice" against his antenna mast installation ideas "bordered on racism".

In March, Bridgend County Borough Council planners denied Butler's request to erect the mast in his garden to further his amateur radio hobby. Those opposed to his installation compared the proposed antennae to "a flying bedstead".

But in the end, Butler's interesting approach succeeded. This when Welsh planning inspector Rebecca Phillips upheld his appeal against the council planners initial decision. Her decision means he can now keep the three towers already has and erect a fourth. The only proviso is the new tower is only at its full height for three hours a day.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, mulling this one over here in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

You can read the entire story of this fascinating tower appeal, including commentary by some of Butler's neighbours on-line at tinyurl.com/wales-antenna-win

NEW RADIO BURST HEARD ON THE HF BANDS

The IARU Monitoring System Region 1 newsletter reports on a new burst radio system that is affecting the amateur radio operations in the 80, 40, 20 and 15 meter bands.

Writing in the newsletter Wolfgang Hadel, DK2OM, says that he discovered a new burst system operating on 3.5, 7, 14 and 21 MHz, daily.

Hadel who is the IARU Region 1 Monitoring System Coordinator says that the system is active every full hour at plus 1, plus 2 and plus 3 minutes with 10.4 sec. bursts of 20 kHz width. Also, the signals appear to come from France.

DK2OM adds that audio frequency analysis seems to pin this as being similar to CODAR signals.

Their real purpose is unknown but DK2OM says that
perhaps this is a new kind of over the horizon radar or Ionosonde.

As we go to air, Germany's Department of Post and Telecommunications has
filed a complaint with its French counterpart.

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OPERATIONAL NEWS

CONTESTING DATELINE

WW ALARA August 25-26
WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

A pair of twinned Special Event Stations, GB175PO and TM175PO, are up and
running in Dover and Calais celebrating 175 years of P&O.

Operation finishes September ninth.

Both stations will have the opportunity to work /MM from ferries at various
times during this operation.

(sourced to rsgb)

A special event station with the callsign SU 30 ASR is operating from
Alexandria in Egypt August 24 until 2 September. The Egyptian Radio Amateurs
Society members will activate the special callsign to celebrate the special
event 30th Arab Scouts Camp.

QSL via SM5AQD

more info on http://www.qrz.com/db/su30asr

DXers who recently worked Alex UA9YAB as YV7 and YV5/UA9YAB will be saddened
to hear of his death while still in Venezuela.

It is thought that his death occurred as a result of a bite from a poisonous
jellyfish. Our sympathy goes to his XYL Natalia and his two young children.

Unfortunately, Alex did not take out insurance cover for his time away. Thus,
his family urgently need assistance in raising funds to have his body
returned to Russia from Venezuela, and for funeral arrangements.

DX World.net has set aside a dedicated page for donations to be sent to the
family of Alex. Listed is every operator who has helped so far in these
hours of need.

http://dx-world.net/2012/urgent-help-needed/

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

The IARU Region 1 site reports that Radio Bangladesh is broadcasting in the amateur radio 40m band

Dear fellow intruder busters, since 13 August 2012 Radio "Bangladesh Betar" has been transmitting every day programs in English and Bengali language on the exclusive Amateur Radio frequency 7105 kHz.

Time (UTC) Program
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1745-1800 carrier
1800-1900 English (General Overseas Service)
1900-1915 carrier and/or measuring tone
1915-2000 Bengali Service
2000-2015 carrier with white noise, 10 kHz spread

The signal is very strong, S9+35dB at the 40-m-dipole of DJ9KR in southern Germany, the modulation is clear.

The homepage of R.Bangladesh Betar gives 7250 kHz as transmission frequency.

Will you please listen on the frequency and inform your national telecom authorities. Ask them to send an International Complaint to the telecom authority of Bangladesh.

Thank you for your good work!

The radio amateurs of the world have the right to use their exclusive 40-m-band without the harmful interference of Radio "Bangladesh Betar".

URL of R.Bangladesh Betar with transmission sked:
http://www.betar.org.bd/frequency.html

Regards, Wolf Hadel DK2OM Coordinator of IARU-MS Region 1
Uli Bihlmayer DJ9KR Vice Coordinator of IARU-MS Region 1

IARU Region 1
http://www.iaru-r1.org/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com

hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

ATV QSO PARTY Friday night August 24 till Saturday morning/afternoon AEST.

Working Australia Pedestrian Mobile.

A video showing radio amateur David Roper M 0 DAD using his pedestrian mobile station to work Paul Simmonds VK 5 PAS in South Australia on 20m is available on the web, Google M 0 PAS.

The purpose of this video was to show ham radio operator VK5PAS how he was being received at the other end of a long path QSO from Australia to UK. The receiving location is Blyth beach, North-East UK.

The equipment in use was a pedestrian portable station with everything mounted on a small shopping trolley.

The audio quality is masked in places due to the crashing noise of the wind and waves.

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

The amateur radio satellite Tethersat is a 3U CubeSat that splits into two joined by a 1 km tether to test electrodynamic tether propulsion.

Both spacecraft will use 9600 bps AX25 GFSK packet downlinks on UHF.

A launch is planned on ORS-3 in July 2013 from the Wallops Flight Facility on Wallops Island, Va.

Electrodynamic tether propulsion propulsion has the potential to make space travel significantly cheaper. It is a simplified, very low-budget magnetic sail. It can be used either to accelerate or brake an orbiting spacecraft. When direct current is pumped through the tether, it exerts a Lorentz force against the magnetic field, and the tether accelerates the spacecraft.

Potentially this technique could be used to raise the orbit of a satellite from 600 to 1000 km using a Ward Spiral manoeuvre.

See the 2009 paper Tethered Satellite Dynamics, Mission Design and Applications by Chadwick Healy

http://ccar.colorado.edu/asen5050/projects/projects_2009/healy/

http://www.amsat.org.uk/iaru

(icqpodcast.com)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

Good result for the ILLW

Many thanks to the record number of registered stations for the 15th annual International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend.

In the lead on registrations was Australia very closely followed by the US, Germany, England and the Netherlands. The next five were Sweden, South Africa, Argentina, Scotland and Canada.

There were 472 registrations just ahead of last year, a very good result despite having eight fewer countries participating, with financial and political change thought to be contributing factors.

In some places, judging by the increased public visits, there was interest in the ancient form of maritime navigation. The news media also helped by running numerous stories about the weekend.

It met its intentions of raising awareness of the need to restore and preserve the structures, promote amateur radio and spread goodwill.

Visit the website ILLW.NET for full details, reports from the many activations, and online registration for the next fun event to be held on August 17-18 August 2013.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

AUG 24-25 WW ATV QSO PARTY Friday night till Saturday morning/afternoon AEST

AUG 25 VK4 50 YEARS OF IPSWICH AR CLUB DINNER ITC

AUG 26 VK2 Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club WinterFest CANCELLED.

SEP 8 VK4 SUNFEST WOOMBYE. (Sunshine Coast).

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

OCT 21 VK3 BALLARAT HAMVENTION

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh'and always if the news room is to read your

item write in the 3rd person.

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WIANews - we've reported...YOU decide.

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Societies and Club News Letter Editors can EXCHANGE a feed prior to
the actual broadcast date, e-mail nationalnews@wia.org.au

Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may
lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might
even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize
their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to
active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia
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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1588. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 24 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 12:00:03 UTC
From: "Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <51KZr.14317$c01.7599@fx01.am4>
Source record: 2155
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> Singer Sarah Brightman may be the next paying passenger to ride a Russian
> rocket to the International Space Station, the Interfax news agency
> reported on Wednesday, citing an unidentified official in the space
> industry in Russia
>

thank god...shot into space at last ....

1589. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 24 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 12:26:48 UTC
From: Rambo <Rambo@thisaintreal.org>
Message-ID: <mmse385bne7ed26tcuv7c3mtk6an4cvtf4@4ax.com>
Source record: 2156
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Fri, 24 Aug 2012 13:00:03 +0100, "Jim Stewart ..."
<jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com> wrote:

>
>> Singer Sarah Brightman may be the next paying passenger to ride a Russian
>> rocket to the International Space Station, the Interfax news agency
>> reported on Wednesday, citing an unidentified official in the space
>> industry in Russia
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>thank god...shot into space at last ....
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Didn't she lose her heart to a starship trooper?

1590. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 24 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 16:24:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303f6ada4eb4ee04c8056853@google.com>
Source record: 2157
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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V63PR Falalop Island Ulithi Atoll

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 08:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358830-V63PR-Falalop-Island-Ulithi-Atoll&goto=newpost

JJ8DEN will be active from Falalop Island , Ulithi Atoll (IOTA OC-078) 24 August - 3 September 2012 as V63PR

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...of-micronesia/

73 Al 4L5A

1591. [RAC-Bulletin] {News] : [IARU-R2-News 211] Dominican Republic Emergency Networkactivated,, given the proximity of tropical storm Isaac

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 18:50:46 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5037CCF4.6080201@rac.ca>
Source record: 2158
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

[IARU-R2-News 211] Dominican Republic Emergency Network activated,
given the proximity of tropical storm Isaac
Reply-To: xe1r@iaru-r2.org

Day-time operation frequency 7065 kHz
Coordination station HI8COE , Emergency Operations Committee
Evening operation frequency 3780 kHz

Emergency frequencies to be used by Cuba

7110 kHz day-time, PRIMARY NATIONAL
7120 kHz day-time, SECONDARY NATIONAL

7045 kHz day-time, EASTERN REGION

3740 kHz evening, PRIMARY NATIONAL
3720 kHz evening, SECONDARY NATIONAL
3715 KHz alternate evening

Other frequencies in the range from 7030 to 7125 kilohertz would be used
by province networks as necessary

Other frequencies in the range from 3700 to 3770 kilohertz would be used
by province networks as necessary

Thanks in advance to all amateur radio stations of Region 2 for offering
the greatest possible protection to the frequencies used for emergency
operations

NOTE: Jamaica traditionally does NOT use shortwave bands for emergencies
since they handle these in the 2-metre band, using their repeaters
located in the mountain ranges.

Sincerely
Prof. Arnaldo Coro Antich
CO2KK
IARU Region II Area C Emergency Coordinator

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Joaqu&#65533;n Solana, XE1R
News Editor - IARU R2
news@iaru-r2.org

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1592. eHam.net News for Friday 24 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-24 22:43:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044784e7a241c404c80ab2a6@google.com>
Source record: 2159
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #34 de K7RA:

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 08:07 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28879

Weak solar activity continues. Average daily sunspot numbers for
the seven days of August 16-22 were down 23 points, or 30 percent,
to 54.6. Average daily solar flux dropped a little over 16 percent,
or 18.7 points, to 96. These figures offer a comparison between
August 9-15 and the latest reporting period, August 16-22.

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2012 RD Contest -- A Huge Success:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 05:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28875

On all accounts the RD was a huge success under the new rules format. Most
appreciated was the amount of improved activity across the bands.
Propagation was extremely kind with a low noise level on all bands. Great
to see eastern /QRP stations making VK6 on a regular basis.
The new 3 hour rule did as expected and stations moved from one band to
another keeping things alive.

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All Nine Azores Islands, CU1 Through CU9, Activated At Once:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 05:15 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28874

Are You Ready to Fly to Azores for Free by Making Nine QSOs? Yes indeed,
those of you willing to spend 24 hours or less on the radio are eligible to
participate in an Azores lottery for two all-paid packages to the beautiful
Azores Islands in the Atlantic, completely free of charge. The project is
organized by the Azores-Finland Friendship Consortium in partnership with
the Amateur Radio Associations of the Azores Islands and supported by the
Azores Promotion Agency (ATA) and Azorean Airlines (SATA). Just look at the
following Link and make up your mind. Not many people know that the Azores
consist of nine populated islands, stretching over a distance of 602 km
(305mi) from East to West, next to USA and Europe. And it is not widely
known that the Azores have their own airline (SATA) flying to each island,
in addition to many destinations in Europe and North America. Each island
has its own characteristics and its own blend and alone qualifies for your

visit there. While these islands count for a single DXCC entity, they offer three (3) IOTA groupings. With this unique AZORES 9 ISLANDS HUNT, an invited international group of amateur radio operators together with resident Azores amateurs will be activating the nine islands, offering an opportunity to the world to contact these islands all at once over one weekend.

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ARNewsline Report 1828 August 24 2012:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 05:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28873

The following is a QST. The FCC releases the text of its report to Congress on the role of amateur radio in emergency communications but provides no relief for hams living with deed restrictions or CC&R's. Also, hams in Quebec Canada get an implied exemption to that Provinces restrictive cellphone law and we take you to the Huntsville Hamfest where Erin King, AK4JG, receives the 2012 Young Ham of the Year Award. Please join with us on an extended Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1828 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #35:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28872

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28871

This Week in Radiosport:

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FCC Releases Congressionally Mandated Study on Amateur Radio:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28870

On August 20 -- in response to a Spring 2012 Congressional directive -- the Federal Communications Commission released its findings on the Uses and Capabilities of Amateur Radio Service Communications in Emergencies and Disaster Relief: Report to Congress Pursuant to Section 6414 of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012.

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QST Managing Editor Joel P. Kleinman, N1BKE (SK):

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28869

QST Managing Editor Joel P. Kleinman, N1BKE, of Meriden, Connecticut, died from injuries received during a house fire on August 18. He was 64. Kleinman was responsible for the coordination, organization, control and completion of all aspects of QST's editorial content each month. Kleinman's wife Jayne survived the fire, but is currently in the intensive care unit of a local hospital.

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Vic Poor, W5SMM (SK):

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28868

Victor (Vic) Poor, W5SMM, of Melbourne, Florida, passed away Friday, August 17, due to complications from pancreatic cancer. He was 79. Just last month, Poor -- an ARRL member -- received the ARRL President's Award for his contributions to the development of digital communications systems in the Amateur Radio Service.

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George Varvitsiotes, K6SV (SK):

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28867

Ham Radio Outlet (HRO) Vice President
George Varvitsiotes, K6SV (ex-WB6DSV), passed away August 21 due to complications from cancer. He was 57.

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ARRL Members Nominate Candidates for Director, Vice Director:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28866

In response to solicitations in the July and August issues of QST, ARRL members in the Central, Hudson, New England, Northwestern and Roanoke Divisions have nominated 14 candidates for the 10 positions of Director and Vice Director. This year, there will be three contested elections: The Director positions in the Hudson and Northwestern Divisions, and the Vice Director position in the Northwestern Division.

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Summer Section Manager Election Results Announced:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28865

Two Section Manager elections this summer were decided by member balloting: ARRL Connecticut Section Manager Betsey Doane, K1EIC, was

re-elected, and John Mueller, K2BT, was elected as the new ARRL Western New York Section Manager. New terms of office start October 1, 2012.

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Hotel Reservation Deadline Approaching for ARRL/TAPR Conference:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28864

'Early Bird' Hotel Reservation Deadline Approaching for ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference:

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FCC Report on CC&R Antenna Restrictions:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28863

FCC Report on Antenna Restrictions:

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HWN in Listening Mode for Isaac:

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28861

There is little question where tropical storm Isaac is headed - all the models show the storm heading across the islands and into Southern Florida. The question is: how intense will the storm get? Anticipating growth of this storm as it tracks across the Atlantic Basin, the Hurricane Watch Net will launch with an informal listening status beginning Thursday, August 23, 2012, around 3 PM EDT (1900z). HWN operators will be listening on our primary frequency, 14.325 MHz, for stations in the affected area who may have questions or need information on the storm. We will also of course be ready to receive observed conditions as the storm approaches. When Isaac grows into Hurricane status, HWN will move to a more formal net.

1593. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 24 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-25 02:14:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93997c954729704c80da8ba@google.com>
Source record: 2160
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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FCC releases Amateur Radio study - Radio & Television Business Report

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 01:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGAzDnm4i4FuUvLQGKPxwSFB-e5A&url=http://rbr.com/fcc-releases-amateur-radio-study/

FCC releases Amateur Radio study
Radio & Television Business Report
... and recommendations for enhancements in the voluntary deployment of Amateur/Ham Radio operators in disaster and emergency communications and disaster relief efforts; and recommendations for improved integration of Amateur Radio operators in the ...
Code communicators: Amateur radio club to assist Tour de La PorteThe Herald Argus
ARNewsline Report 1828 August 24 2012:eHam.net

all 3 news articles

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ARISS ham radio contact with Institute for Education on Space, Wakayama ...
- Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 11:08 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG_fY0LtXu40_jZcoY0VpaBhtAiIA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/ariss_event_2608.htm

ARISS ham radio contact with Institute for Education on Space, Wakayama ...
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ARISS ham radio contact with Institute for Education on Space, Wakayama University, Wakayama, Japan. An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Institute for Education on Space, ...

1594. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 25 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-25 06:10:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f838f2590f29704c810f38a@google.com>
Source record: 2161
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Hamfest Chattanooga 2012, October 27

Posted: 23 Aug 2012 07:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358884-Hamfest-Chattanooga-2012-October-27&goto=newpost

Follow link for complete details:
http://www.w4am.org/HamfestChattanooga/index.php

1595. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 25 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-25 11:07:20 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf300e552b3182da04c8151895@google.com>
Source record: 2162
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Exclusive new product launch at AMSAT-UK Colloquium

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sE_l_wCL3lo/exclusive_new_product_launch_at_amsat_uk_colloquium.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT-UK are delighted to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB, will be present at the Colloquium this year and will be launching a new 'FUNcube Dongle PRO-PLUS' during his presentation

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Eastern Caribbean Weather Data Net

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K07pXKJhD-w/eastern_caribbean_weather_data_net.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In response to tropical storm Isaac, USeast-NBEMS has been activated in standby status on 7036 kHz at a waterfall spot of 1500 Hz in Olivia 8/500 mode

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Dominican Republic Emergency Network activated

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1wDZq18uJJ0/dominican_republic_emergency_network_activated.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Dominican Republic Emergency Network has been activated, given the proximity of tropical storm Isaac

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pGJcrKjBR5s/034_august_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weak solar activity continues. Average daily sunspot numbers for the seven days of August 16-22 were down 23 points, or 30 percent,to 54.6. Average daily solar flux dropped a little over 16 percent, or 18.7 points, to 96

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GB1HF Hadleigh Farm report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7DZ4jxB4nUE/gb1hf_hadleigh_farm_report.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Report on South Essex Amateur Radio Society's Special Event Station GB1HF
for the men’s and women’s Olympic Mountain Bike competitions at Hadleigh
Farm, Essex on the 11th and 12th of August 2012

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DATV-Express talk at Digital Communications Conference

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-FbSGOmVm8A/datv_express_talk_at_digital_communications_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Stan Horzepa WA1LOU in his Surfin' column reports that this year's DCC in
Atlanta, GA includes a paper by UK radio amateur Charles Brain G4GUO on
Digital Amateur Television (DATV)

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IARU welcomes dot-radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LwXaEkcwQ8s/iaru_welcomes_dot_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has embraced the European
Broadcasting Union (EBU) proposal that dot-radio be used to help to create
a global radio community

1596. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 25 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-25 16:31:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c7deb131ea04c8199e6b@google.com>
Source record: 2163
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Ohio QSO Party 2012 -- 1600z Sat, Aug 25 to 0400z Sun, Aug 26

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 09:50 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358936-Ohio-QSO-Party-2012-1600z-Sat-Aug-25-to-0400z-Sun-Aug-26&goto=newpost

Hi Folks,

The 2012 Ohio QSO Party is less than 12 hours away. If you've got some time Saturday [and Sunday, depending upon where you are], please do consider jumping on and making a few contacts with the participating Ohio stations.

What: Ohio QSO Party 2012

When: 1600Z, Saturday Aug 25 to 0400Z, Sunday Aug 26 (Saturday, noon til midnight EDT)

Website: http://www.ohqp.org

Rules: http://www.ohqp.org/adminRules.htm

In-state, out-of-state and DX contacts are all welcome and encouraged. Those who plan on operating inside Ohio are encouraged to submit their planned operation at the following URL:

http://www.ohqp.org/plannedOpsEntryOhQP.html

If you're outside of Ohio and are in need of a particular rare Ohio county, this is your chance to make the contact. There will be quite a few mobiles operating in Ohio for the event, so if you're into the challenge of chasing the mobiles you'll have some fun!

Mike / AA8IA

1597. SARL News in English 25/8/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-25 16:48:25 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <294AF9A3467A4FCDA2DE901D0A11BDE3@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2164
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 26 AUGUST 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret we advise that the keys of two radio amateurs stopped operation on the same day last week.

That of Chris Willigenburg, ZS6VB, went silent after a short period of fighting a battle with Leukemia. Chris was very involved with Hamnet and was Provincial Director for Gauteng South for a period a few years back. He leaves Linda, his wife and 2 daughters.

That of Rodney James, ZR6NTN, went silent at the age of 58 after a short illness.

Rodney was licenced in 2009, and was a member of the Sandton ARC. He leaves his wife Delilah and adopted son Ryan.

We offer our condolences to their families and friends.

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In the news today:

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION ON 1 SEPTEMBER IN PE

MTN TO SPONSOR RADIO AMATEUR AWARDS - NOMINATIONS ARE INVITED

BPL WAR: EU VS RSGB OVER BPL STANDARD

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION ON 1 SEPTEMBER IN PE

Register now for the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium to be held at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in Port Elizabeth on 1 September 2012. The event features an exciting keynote address by Jason Manly of SKA South Africa.

He will discuss the road to the world's largest science instrument, the Square Kilometre Array. There'll be a specific focus on South Africa's part in this project, both from technical and human capital development viewpoints. South Africa's own KAT-7 and 64-dish MeerKAT arrays that are currently being deployed in the Karoo will be described in some detail along with how these are leading towards the SKA. The SKA itself will consist of three separate array types built in two phases over multiple continents. What does the right to host this premier international instrument mean for South Africa and Africa in general?

Jason told SARL NEWS: "With my background in signal processing, there'll probably be a bit of a bias towards SDR, but I'll keep it interesting describing everything from antenna feeds and reflector design to signal transport and data post processing, with a few slides about the science goals thrown in for good measure!"

We promised that the Port Elizabeth RTA would have a very special keynote. We are able to deliver on that promise with a very special hour.

The rest of the programme will follow the programme presented at the Durban and Gauteng RTA with plenty of hands-on type presentation.

Pre-booking is recommended to ensure that enough 80 metre experimental SDR kits and CD's are available. It also assists with the catering. A registration form can be downloaded from www.sarl.org.za as well as a detailed programme. Pre-booking closes on Thursday evening. So do not delay. All persons who pre-book will take part in an additional draw for the ARRL Basic Antenna book.

You can register at the venue on Saturday morning but pre-booking is preferred.

MTN TO SPONSOR RADIO AMATEUR AWARDS - NOMINATIONS ARE INVITED

MTN is the new sponsor for the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust Radio Amateurs awards. Nominations are invited for the three categories in which awards are made:

GARTH MILNE TECHNICAL INNOVATION AWARD The award is made for the support, development and application of Technological Innovation in Amateur Radio in South Africa. The recipient will be a person who has promoted the use of technology in amateur radio at club level, nationally, at schools or a tertiary education institution.

MTN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARD The award is made for the support and development of the Amateur Radio Service in South Africa, not for individual achievements such as DXCC and other operational awards or contests. The recipient will be a person who has given of his or her

expertise and time to the promotion of Amateur Radio in South Africa.

MTN AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD Annually the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust is recognising a radio amateur or a group of radio amateurs for service to the community.

Community service can be assistance to a handicapped radio amateur, communications support during a sporting event or a disaster situation like a road accident or a natural disaster like a flood, veld fires, or an earthquake. Nominations are invited for an individual or a group of people like a radio club, or an association.

Nomination forms are available on www.amateurradio.org.za or by sending a mail request to saardt@intekom.co.za. The closing date for nominations is 30 September.

BPL WAR: EU VS RSGB OVER BPL STANDARD

A battle appears to be brewing between the Radio Society of Great Britain and the chairman of the European Union Committee. This after the latter attacked the RSGB's call to arms in the battle against Powerline Transmission radio pollution according to a report on Newsline.

The chairman of the European Union committee on Powerline Networking has responded to the Radio Society of Great Britain's call to arms, claiming that every minute of filibustering pollutes the radio spectrum more.

According to the UK newspaper the Register, the Radio Society of Great Britain says that the new standard for broadband powerline transmission, will water down existing requirements. This it says will open the way to greater spectrum pollution. As such, the RSGB has asked members to lobby their local representatives.

But Ronald Storrs, Chair of the committee defining the standard, refutes that. He claims that it is the RSGB that is risking the airwaves with - and we quote" "their pointless protests and inflexible attitude."

The problem is that sending data signals over unshielded mains wiring, as Broadband Over Powerline transmissions does, generates radio interference. And as the manufacturers push to increase speeds that interference is spreading into the frequencies used by other radio services. That, says the RSGB, is unacceptable.

But BPL or PLT equipment manufacturers have a totally different view. They say that the devices don't generate significant interference. Rather it's the mains wiring thats the culprit. The manufacturers also contend that in many homes the wiring is sufficiently shielded that no interference is generated. As such they will continue to sell their devices legally.

Meantime UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom has taken a back seat in this matter. It says that it can't do anything as the devices themselves aren't radio transmitters so fall outside their purview. Ofcom says it's waiting for the new standard to be enacted which will give it some authority to regulate Broadband over Powerline technology.

So it appears that a proverbial line has been drawn in the sand between the UK amateur radio community represented by the Radio Society of Great Britain and those who want to sell Broadband Over Powerline or PLT gear. And while the European Union's Storrs agrees that BPL is generating unacceptable interference, he says that every day there isn't an applicable standard in place more unrestricted gear is getting into the marketplace. He adds that the intransigence of United Kingdom's amateur radio community isn't helping.

CPUT CUBESAT TO LAUNCH END NOVEMBER

The CubeSat designed and built by students at the Cape Peninsular University of Technology in Bellville will be launched towards the end of November. Still known by its engineering name ZACube-1, the satellite will be shipped in the next few weeks to Holland where it will be integrated with two other CubeSats in the launch carrier before being shipped for integrating with the rocket. ZACube-1 carries a HF transmitter operating on 14 099 kHz, a small camera and a telemetry transmitter. Listen to Amateur Radio Today this morning for an interview with Francois Visser, of CPUT who is leading the project.

NEW WEB FEATURES ON THE SARL WEB

>From this week, two new regular news features have been added on the home page of the SARL Web. Dennis Green, ZS4BS, will weekly update HF and DX information while Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, will keep you up to date with contesting. Visit www.sarl.org.za, another membership service form the SARL.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

Subscriptions to the SARL were due on 1 June 2012. If you have not yet paid yours please do so without delay. The cutoff date is 31 August. If you have mislaid your invoice, call Mariska on Monday on 011 675 2393 to get the information.

CONTEST NEWS

The SARL HF CW Contest is on the air this afternoon from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC with activity on 20, 40 and 80 metres. The exchange is a RST report and a consecutive serial number. Find the rules in the 2012 SARL Contest Manual.

Contest results.

SARL YL Sprint. The Contest Committee received seven contest logs and two check logs for the SARL YL Sprint held on Thursday 9 August.

Judy Pretorius, ZS6JDY, takes first place with her 142 points, followed closely by Pam Momberg, ZS6APT, with 137 points. Third place went to Celeste Searle, ZS6CNS, with 132 points and Jenni Warren, ZS4J, on 131 points, a worthy challenger.

The winner of the lucky draw for a bouquet of flowers is Celeste Searle, ZS6CNS.

SARL HF Phone Contest. The contest committee received twenty-six single operator logs, one multi-operator log and two check logs for the contest held on Sunday 5 August.

Hans Kappetijn, ZS6KR, takes top honours in the Single Operator class with 175 points, followed by Theunis Potgieter, ZS2EC, in second place with 163 points. Sharing the third position is Brendan Muller, ZS4BM, and Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, with 151 points each. Pierre also scored the highest points on a single band with his 151 points on 40 metres.

Hendrik Rudman, ZS6RHL, and Ivan Pleho, ZS6IVP, teamed up with Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX, to operate as ZS6FDX in the multi-operator class and they made 148 points.

In the Club Competition, the East Rand Branch has challenged the West Rand ARC! Taking first place is the East Rand Branch with 551 points, followed by the West Rand ARC with 246 points and the Pretoria ARC in third place with 223 points.

Congratulations to Hans, Pierre and the East Rand Branch. The full results of both contests have been published in HF Happenings 519.

ZS6PTA SPRING FLEA MARKET AND BOOT SALE IN PRETORIA

The Pretoria Amateur Radio Club will be hosting their spring flea market and boot sale on Saturday 1 September. The fleamarket will be held at Pretoria Motor Club in Keuning street in Silverton. The starting time is 08:00.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Come and visit the Mega Fleamarket in Pretoria. Phone Almero, ZS6LDP, on 083 938 8955, if you want to book a table or if you need more details about the flea market.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. There are currently a few sunspot regions visible but fortunately some more are in the process of being formed.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 41.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 20 m providing the best openings with 15 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent due to the lower solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 26 August - SARL HF CW competition from 13:00 to 16:00 UTC on 20, 40 and 80 metres only. 27 August - Last day to submit logs for SARL HF digital contest to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za or Bloemfontein ARC, Box 33211, Fichardt Park, 9317, 1 September - RTA in Port Elizabeth at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, pre-booking starts tomorrow, visit www.sarl.org.za. 1 September - Pretoria ARC spring flea market starting 08:00. 30 September - Nominations for MTN sponsored SAARDT awards to be in to saardt@intekom.co.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1598. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 25 August 2012

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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Exclusive new product launch at AMSAT-UK Colloquium

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 03:41 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359005-Exclusive-new-product-launch-at-AMSAT-UK-Colloquium&goto=newpost

amsatuk.gifExclusive new product launch at AMSAT-UK Colloquium

AMSAT-UK are delighted to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB, will
be present at the Colloquium this year and will be launching a new 'FUNcube
Dongle PRO-PLUS' during his presentation.

Full technical details have been embargoed until his talk and we are not
permitted to steal his thunder by releasing further details of this new
product in advance. Attendees at the Colloquium will therefore be the
first to learn about Howard□s latest development which will further
advance the applications for SDR devices.

The FUNcube SDR Dongle was originally developed for
educational outreach as part of the ground segment for the FUNcube
satellite.A proportion of the sales of the FUNcube SDR Dongle goes to
support AMSAT-UK's FUNcube satellite.

The AMSAT-UK Colloquium, which is open to all, is a truly international
event and will include:

Exclusive access to inspect the new SSTL clean room and
integration facilities at the recently opened Kepler Building. If you have
visited their previous facilities at the university campus, during
previous Colloquia, you will be amazed by what is happening now.

Presentations by experts from AMSAT-SA, AMSAT-NA and AMSAT-DL
on their current spacecraft projects.

CubeSat presentations on UKube-1, STRaND-1, STRaND-2 and, of
course the FUNcube-1 project.

We will be including an exclusive roundup of a number of new
live and potential spacecraft projects that are under investigation and/or
development.

Additionally a number of presentations are planned covering
new communications techniques and similar futuristic topics.

Plus all the usual networking opportunities, the gala dinner
and auction/raffle, plus the opportunity to operate the sophisticated
groundstation in the GB4FUN mobile demonstration module.

The Colloquium takes place at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2
7XZ, United Kingdom, September 15-16. Rooms and Saturday□s Gala Dinner
must be booked in advance here .

Information sheet here. Travel information here.

Further information http://www.uk.amsat.org/colloquium/twelve

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Ham Nation 61: Huntsville Hamfest is available for download and viewing at
http://twit.tv/hn . Join us for some great Hamfest fun.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1828 August 24 2012

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font-size:10.0pt; font-family:"Times New Roman";} Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1828 ☐ August 24 2012

Attention bulletin stations. Please note that this is an extended newscast and contains three breaks. Thank you.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1828 with a release date of August 24 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC releases the text of its report to Congress on the role of amateur radio in emergency communications but provides no relief for hams living with deed restrictions or CC&R☐s. Also, hams in QuebecCanada get an implied exemption to that Provinces restrictive cellphone law and we take you to the Huntsville Hamfest where Erin King, AK4JG, receives the 2012 Young Ham of the Year Award. Please join with us on an extended Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1828 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: FCC RELEASES TEXT OF ITS R&O IN IMPEDIMENTS TO HAM RADIO

The FCC has released its long awaited report to Congress into the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief operations. It also delves into the existence of impediments to this aspect of personal communications. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Don Carlson, KQ6FM, has the details:

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Don☐t look for Congressional action to override private land use restrictions more commonly known as Conditions Covenants and Restrictions or CC&R☐s even if hams believe that these restrictions hamper them in times of emergencies. This is because in its report to the legislative body, the FCC says that, in its view, such restrictions do not constitute a significant impediment to ham radio or those in the United States amateur radio service.

In its report, the FCC noted that some of what it calls ☐commenters☐ recommend that CC&Rs be preempted if they prohibit antennas that are within certain limits. Others suggest that private land use restrictions on amateur antennas should be permitted only for safety considerations, and not for aesthetic reasons.

However, another group believes that it is not necessary to preempt private land use restrictions in order to promote amateur emergency communications. This, given the ways that even amateurs subject to CC&Rs can communicate effectively and the nature of amateur emergency communications.

Moreover, while commenters suggest that private land use restrictions have become more common, the FCC□s says that its own review of the record does not indicate that amateur operators are unable to find homes that are not subject to such restrictions. Therefore, at this time, the Commission does not see a compelling reason for it to revisit its previous determinations that preemption should not be expanded to CC&Rs.

In relation to other impediments, the Commission says that it has already preempted state and local regulations that do not reasonably accommodate amateur radio communications and do not represent the minimum practicable regulations to accomplish the local authority□s legitimate purpose. The Commission says that it has also addressed regulations regarding possession and operation of amateur radio equipment while driving. These are state and local laws that prohibit cellular telephone and texting devices and are many times very broadly written as to catch hams, CB operators and even commercial radio users into a confusing maze of legal webs.

And as to any FCC rules that may be an impediment to the various technical aspects of enhanced □ read that as digital amateur service emergency communications, the FCC believes that these matters can be considered through the Commission□s rulemaking process. Consequently, it does not believe that Congressional action is necessary to address that issue either.

On the other side of the coin, the FCC notes that the ham radio community and the emergency response and disaster communications communities all agree that amateur radio can be of great value in emergency response situations. The regulatory agency notes that amateur radio carries with it a wide range of advantages that allow it to supplement other emergency communications activities during disasters. This says the FCC, has been demonstrated time and again in a wide variety of emergency and disaster situations including Hurricane Katrina.

But at this point the regulatory agency sort of contradicts itself regarding CC&R□s, albeit it may not have noticed its own mistake.

Here, the FCC notes that amateur radio emergency communications require not only stations in a position to originate the emergency message, but also as an alternative to the commercial communications infrastructure impacted by the emergency. This alternative infrastructure is the network of amateur radio operators and their stations that relay messages, build and maintain repeater stations and repeater networks, operate High Frequency message networks to send messages greater distances than are practical with mobile or transportable transmitters, and develop new technologies to improve the reliability of these networks. As such, the FCC contends that this value could potentially be increased, through cooperation among Department of Homeland Security, public safety, emergency management, and amateur radio emergency communications associations and groups to develop future training protocols.

But what the FCC fails or refuses to address is how radio amateurs living with CC&R□s that restrict or outright forbid antennas can possibly pass

along emergency traffic using the High Frequency bands. It☐s not likely that a long wire or dipole hidden in a hams attic is going to break through to any emergency net or pass traffic under adverse conditions. Operating effectively on the High Frequency bands requires decent outdoor antennas hung in the clear and this is something that the FCC fails to address in this section of its report.

Finally, the FCC recommends that the Department of Homeland Security work with state, local, and tribal authorities to develop disaster area access policies and qualifications for trained amateur operators who provide emergency communications support. The only question here is how you get the attention of these agencies, many of whom consider themselves autonomous are not interested in assistance from the public at large.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I☐m Don Carlson, KQ6FM in Reno.

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You can download and read the entire 15 page FCC accounting to Congress at tinyurl.com/FCC-To-Congress-Report. It☐s written pretty much in plain language and might well make an excellent program for radio clubs and on-air discussion nets. This is because it could easily set precedent in regulation of the United States Amateur Service for decades to come. (FCC)

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THE BPL WAR: EU VS RSGB OVER BPL STANDARD

A battle appears to be brewing between the Radio Society of Great Britain and the chairman of the European Union Committee. This after the latter attacked the RSGB☐s call to arms in the battle against Powerline Transmission radio pollution. A technology better known as Broadband Over Powerline here in the United States. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Norm Seeley, KI7UP,has more:

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The chairman of the European Union committee on Powerline Networking has responded to the Radio Society of Great Britain's call to arms, claiming that every minute of filibustering pollutes the radio spectrum more.

According to the UK newspaper the Register, the Radio Society of Great Britain says that the new standard for broadband powerline transmission, will water down existing requirements. This it says will open the way to greater spectrum pollution. As such, the RSGB has asked members to lobby their local representatives.

But Ronald Storrs, Chair of the committee defining the standard refutes that. He claims that it is the RSGB that is risking the airwaves with ☐ and we quote☐ ☐their pointless protests and inflexible attitude.☐

The problem is that sending data signals over unshielded mains wiring, as Broadband Over Powerline transmissions does generates radio interference.

And as the manufacturers push to increase speeds that interference is spreading into the frequencies used by other radio services. That, says the RSGB, is unacceptable.

But BPL or PLT equipment manufacturers have a totally different view. They say that the devices don't generate significant interference. Rather it□s the mains wiring is the culprit. The manufacturers also contend that in many homes the wiring is sufficiently shielded that no interference is generated. As such they will continue to sell their devices legally.

Meantime UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom has taken a back seat in this matter. It says that it can't do anything as the devices themselves aren't radio transmitters so fall outside their purview. Ofcom says it's waiting for the new standard to be enacted which will give it some authority to regulate Broadband over Powerline technology.

So it appears that a proverbial line has been drawn in the sand between the UK ham radio community represented by the Radio Society of Great Britain and those who want to sell Broadband Over Powerline or PLT gear. And while the European Union□s Storrs agrees that BPL is generating unacceptable interference, he says that every day there isn't an applicable standard in place more unrestricted gear is getting into the marketplace. He adds that the intransigence of United Kingdom□s ham radio community isn't helping.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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According to Storrs, the manufacturers of this equipment are dead set against the proposed new standard. He also notes that the new standard already has the support of the International Amateur Radio Union and that this leaves the UK hams standing alone against the European Union. You can read the entire Register article on-line at tinyurl.com/UK-PLT-Fight (Southgate, The Register)

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BREAK 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WB2QLP repeater serving Naples, Florida.

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: JOEL KLEINMAN, N1BKE, S-K

Ham radio has lost one of its most ardent supporters with the untimely passing of QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, who died in a house fire on Saturday, August 18th. Amateur Radio Newslines Mark Abramowicz,

NT3V, has the details on this truly sad moment for all of us:

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Neighbors of the Kleinman family were first to discover the fire that claimed the life of Joel Kleinman and left his widow, Jayne, hospitalized.

According to several news accounts, the fire inside Kleinman's Meriden, Connecticut home was pushing out heavy smoke when neighbors discovered it and some of them raced into the burning dwelling. Reports say they first pulled out Kleinman's wife, Jayne, who was already unconscious and is hospitalized at MidStateMedicalCenter. Investigators say the rescuers saved her life.

But news accounts quote the neighbors who were involved in the daring and dangerous action as saying the heavy smoke prevented them from reaching the second floor where Joel Kleinman was found by firefighters. The medical examiner says the 64-year-old Kleinman died of smoke inhalation and he ruled the death accidental.

Joel Kleinman had been the managing editor for the American Radio Relay League's QST magazine since 2001. But his history with the ARRL goes all the way back to 1976 when he was hired by the organization to target young people with science, and amateur satellites.

A graduate of the University of Montana with a journalism degree, Kleinman - who didn't have a ham license at the time - embraced the role.

It didn't take long for his ARRL bosses to recognize his skills and he quickly moved into the operations of QST where among the jobs he held was editorial assistant and features editor. By 1988, Kleinman was promoted to book team supervisor for ARRL's publications and other media. His return to QST as the top boss a few years later, clearly was a recognition by the ARRL management of his value to the monthly publication that reaches thousands of amateurs every month.

QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY called Kleinman: ☐...the quiet man behind the scenes, shouldering much of the burden that comes with creating 164 pages of new content every month. Joel set a high standard for all who may follow him.☐

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ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN issued a statement: ☐With the passing of Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, we have lost not only a respected professional colleague, but also a friend.☐

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Kleinman was the former president of the Newington Amateur Radio League and was a member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association.

Funeral arrangements for Joel Kleinman were still pending as we were going to air.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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Our hearts and prays go out to the Kleinman family on this very tragic loss.

(ARNewsline□, ARRL, Meriden Patch, Meriden Record-Journal)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC LOWERS FINE ISSUED TO FORTMEYERS UNLICENSED STATION

The FCC has lowered a fine imposed on an unlicensed broadcaster. This after he provided proof that the initial amount would prove a hardship that he could not afford to pay.

As previously reported, this past June 5th the Enforcement Bureau□s Tampa Florida Office issued a $15,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Albert R. Knighten, Jr. of FortMeyers. This for his alleged operation of an unlicensed radio station.

In response to the proposed fine Knighten admitted to, and apologized for, the violation. He also urged cancellation or reduction of the proposed $15,000 forfeiture, asserting that his financial situation could not the permit payment of the fine that the FCC had levied against him.

After examining the financial documents provided by Knighten, the FCC found sufficient basis to reduce the forfeiture to $1,200. However, it also cautioned Knighten that a party□s inability to pay is only one factor in its forfeiture calculation analysis. It told him that it had previously rejected inability to pay claims in cases of repeated or otherwise egregious violations. In closing it warned Knighten that future violations of this kind could result in significantly higher forfeitures that may not be reduced due to financial circumstances.

Knighten was given the customary 30 days from the August 21st date of the order to pay the reduced forfeiture. If he fails to do so the matter could be turned over to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: LACK OF EAS GEAR BRINGS $10000 FINE

The license holder of a low-power FM in Mission, Texas will likely have to pay a $10,000 fine. This, for its admitted failure to install and maintain working Emergency Alert System or EAS equipment. Amateur Radio Newsline welcomes George Bowen, W2XBS, who has this report:

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Intercity Christian Youth Program, Inc. is the licensee for low power station KCYP. Responding to a complaint, agents from the Enforcement Bureau□s HoustonTexas office inspected the station this past March. At that time the manager admitted to the agents the station had operated

without EAS gear since the facility went on the air in 2007. KCYP also had no EAS logs to document that the facility had ever had such gear installed or that it had ever conducted the required weekly or monthly EAS tests.

The base fine for not having operational EAS gear is $8,000. The commission tacked on another $2,000 because it appears the station has not had working EAS gear for the better part of five years.

The station was 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. KCYP must provide a sworn statement to the Houston office of the Enforcement Bureau certifying that it now has had E-A-S equipment installed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im George Bowen, W2XBS, in Albany, New York.

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According to the FCC, every broadcast station is part of the nationwide Emergency Alert System network and is categorized as a participating national EAS source. This in turn means that all stations must ensure their EAS encoders and decoders are installed and working properly. (FCC, RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED BROADCASTER BUSTED UNDER FLORIDA LAW

Romayne Davis, who local Florida police say operated an unlicensed radio station, is now free on bond. Police say Davis operated an illegal station out of a warehouse since March using a laptop running iTunes.

The investigation began in July when a listener to American Public Media□s Classical South Florida WKCP FM in Miami complained that rap music was interfering with the legitimate signal on 89.7 MHz. Police recovered a computer, transmitter and other gear which they said was used to broadcast the unauthorized station on an adjacent frequency of 89.5 MHz.

Unlike the FCC which normally issues fines for unlicensed operations, under Florida□s strict state law regarding unauthorized transmissions, Davis, who had turned himself into authorities, could face up to five years in prison for his unlicensed station operation. (RW, WPEC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SEEKS COMMENT ON REGULATORY FEES FOR INDUSTRIES IT OVERSEES

Public comments to the FCC about the best way to collect regulatory fees from the industries that the agency oversees are due in mid-September.

The agency notes a lot has changed in the telecommunications marketplace since its current system for assessing and collecting regulatory fees was enacted in 1994. Back then, commission regulation centered mostly on wired local and long distance. Since then the wireless industry exploded,

shifting agency resources to that industry.

Complicating things further, telephone companies have entered the video market, cable operators are winning voice customers, satellite operators offer competitive radio, television and broadband services and wireless services abound.

Comments to MD Docket 12-201 are due September 12th. Payment of the existing fees for this year are due by September 13th. This commentary period does not apply to amateur radio or other personal radio services. (FCC, RW)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SAYS YES TO TOWER IN WILDLIFE VS. TOWER CHALLENGE

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Last April Michael Pearson of Marshall, Arkansas, raised several issues before the Commission related to a 314 foot structure registered to AmericanTower that was under construction in the area. AmericanTower suspended construction while the □Emergency Petition to Compel Compliance□ order was reviewed.

In his petition to the FCC Pearson said that because the tower would be in wooded and pasture land area, and also within 4,000 feet of a wildlife management area, that the tower would negatively affect migratory birds and endangered species. This included mountain lions, bobcats and even skunks.

But in giving AmericanTower the green light to resume construction, the FCC said his complaint did not meet the standard for requesting environmental review. It said that Pearson didn□t identify endangered species that could be specifically affected by the tower. Rather he had listed non endangered species in the area.

Possibly more important, the FCC also stated that the proximity of a tower to a wildlife management area does not, by itself, mean that a structure may have a significant effect on the environment.

As previously reported, environmental assessments are now required for proposed new towers over 450 feet above ground level, for replacement or modification of existing structures over 450 feet that involve a major size increase or for certain lighting changes to towers over 450 feet tall. This decision is very significant as it gives insight as to how the agency

will likely handle these cases in the future.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Skeeter Nash, N5ASH.

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As we go to air its unknown if Peasrson will accept the FCC□s decision or if he will appeal it up the Administrative Procedures chain. FCC, RW

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BREAK 2

With you 52 weeks a year, every year since 1976, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www dot arnewsline dot org and being brought to you by the following volunteer bulletin station:

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WITH NEWSLINE: WHO IS STILL USING PHONE LINE ACCESS SURVEY

This note to those of you who still receive these newscasts over our 661-296-2407 dial in line rater than downloading the MP3 file from our website. Of late we have noticed a major decline in the number of those calling into it and as such we are giving consideration to discontinuing it by years end. But before we do, we want to know how many people are actually using it. If you are one of those who call in each week on the phone, please send us a note telling us who you are and the reason you are using telephone access rather than simply downloading the newscast from the Internet. Our address is the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, SaugusCalifornia, 91350. Or you can e-mail us at newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. We look forward to hearing from you. (ARNewsline)

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RADIO BUSINESS: NEW CHINA BUILT DUAL BAND MOBILE FOR UNDER $225

Get ready for the first 2 meter and 70 centimeter dual band mobile selling for under $225 including shipping. At least that□s the price being quoted in an on-line advertisement from the Hong Kong-based 409 Shop for the new Baojie model BJ-UV55 dual band mobile radio.

Like its Japan built counterparts, the BJ-UV55 has most of the features one expects from a basic dual band mobile. The radio features a large blue back lit LCD display that shows both frequencies programmed in at the same time. The transmitter runs 35 watts out on 70 centimeters and 45 watts on 2 meters. The manufacturer claims a receiver sensitivity of between .18 to .22 microvolts depending on selected bandwidth, 128 memory channels, both CTCSS and Digital CTCSS tone encoding, a DTMF microphone and even a built-in FM broadcast band receiver.

The negative on this radio is that nowhere in the advertisement is there any mention of the Baojie BJ-UV55 being FCC certified either under Part 15 or Part 90 making it illegal to import to the United States. Nor is there any service or repair station in the United States. That means returning a radio to the China-based manufacturer should it require maintenance. And as with any product purchased from a non-United States dealer, this can be more expensive than the price of the radio itself.

You can see this new dual bander on-line at tinyurl.com/Baojie-dual-band-mobile. And as we say with anything purchased from an overseas dealer, be certain that its legal to import and use here in the United States. Even more important are two words Caveat Emptor, which means buyer beware. (ARNewsline)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NZ4O MF/HF/6M PROPAGATIONS FORECASTS GO DAILY

Thomas Giella has announced that his NZ4O Medium Frequency, High Frequency and 6 Meter Radio Wave Propagation Forecast is now published on a 'daily' basis. It can be found on line at www.solarcycle24.org and www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm. Thomas notes that each new edition will be available at around 1300 UTC, but that there will be no daily e-mail notice about its being posted. Just check the websites for the daily updates. (NZ4O)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMATEUR RADIO AND POLITICS MEAN LOTS OF PEOPLE

North Carolina□s Charlotte Observer reports that the 1,500 hotel rooms in GastonCounty are solidly booked because of the Democrat Party's National Convention and a rather famous amateur radio Hamfest.

The newspaper says that the Shelby Hamfest takes place Labor Day weekend September 1st and 2nd. Meantime the 2012 Democratic National Convention is being held in the city of Charlotte from September 3rd to the 6th. And while no delegates to the convention are staying in GastonCounty there are support people such as FBI agents, U.S. and foreign media and peripheral groups such as lobbyists who need places to stay.

The annual Shelby Hamfest is one of the nations best attended amateur radio events. It is held at BiggerstaffPark in Dallas, North Carolina. The paper says that in 2011 about 12,800 ham radio enthusiasts from 30 states showed up. Many camped in RVs, but lots more stayed in local hotels. More on the hamfest is on-line at shelbyhamfest.com. (Charlotte Observer, Southgate)

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ON THE AIR: N1Y TO COMMEMORATE THE 9/11 2001 TERRORIST ATTACKS

Members of the Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club will once again be operational as N1Y on September 8th and 9th. This in commemoration of those who lost their lives in the September 11th, 2001, al Quida lead

terrorist attacks that felled the twin towers of the WorldTradeCenter in New York City.

N1Y will be operating on 40, 20 and 15 meters using CW and SSB, in the General portions of those bands. A special QSL may be had by sending a SASE to W2SBL at the address found on QRZ.com. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: HAM ROAD RALLEYER REACHES MONGOLIA

Despite a small war in Tajikistan, a pair of road rally enthusiasts have reached Mongolia. Neil Melville, PA9N, and Helen Woolnough, driving their 9 year old 1.1 liter Fiat Panda are taking part in the Mongol Rally where participants drive, in no more than six weeks, from the United Kingdom to Ulaanbaatar in Mongolia, using a thoroughly unsuitable car of 1.2 liters or less.

Woolnough and Meloville□s entry is called The Uncertainty Principle and they started on their epic journey from the UK on July 14th. On Sunday, August 19th their location was given as 46.37 North and 96.25 East placing them near their goal.

The pair are driving the race to raise money for the Lotus Children□s Centre Charitable Trust and UNICEF. By the time the event ends, they will have covered more than 10,000 miles through 19 countries, with no outside support.

Over the years PA9N has given many presentations to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium in Guildford, England. His first spacecraft project was the eXpress-OSCAR 53 satellite better known as XO-53. Here on Earth you can follow their route and blog at theuncertaintyprinciple.co.uk. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: THE BBC TO TEST TURNING OFF MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMISSIONS

The British Broadcasting Corporation is undertaking a five week trial of switching off existing Medium Wave services for four BBC local radio stations. The experiment runs from the 17th of August to the 24th of September and affects BBC Radio Kent, BBC Radio Lincolnshire, BBC Radio Merseyside and BBC Radio Nottingham.

The BBC say one way to make savings and preserve value to licensee fee payers is to switch off Medium Wave services except where listeners depend upon Medium Wave as an alternative to FM or Digital Audio Broadcasting. Medium Wave services in the UK mainly duplicate what is already available on FM and DAB, and most listeners will be able to hear their local stations on FM. Medium Wave is a European term that describes what we call the AM broadcast band here in the United States.

The BBC notes that the aim of the trial is to get a better understanding of the impact of the loss of Medium Wave would have on its core listeners

and also enable the broadcaster to ensure adequate coverage is available on other platforms in these regions. (BBC)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today□s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO LAW: QUEBEC ANTI CELLPHONE WHILE DRIVING LAW NOW EXCLUDES TWO WAY RADIO

Some good news for hams living in the CanadianProvince of Quebec. A four year old law banning the use of cellular phones while driving now has an implied exemption for those using two-way radio gear including radio amateurs. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, is here with the latest:

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According to a news release from Radio Amateurs of Quebec, the ban on the use of cellular telephones while driving came into force in April of 2008. Since that time different police departments have issued tickets for the use of various types of devices which in each departments view could be construed as a mobile telephone system.

Those who have received these tickets have vigorously contested them. But over the years the various courts hearing these cases have expanded considerably on what they believed the meaning of the law was to include a multitude of communications equipment far from cellular telephones.

Now, after four years of uncertainty the situation has now been clarified by amendments to the Highway Safety Code which came into effect this past June 6th. A new article of the code simply says that no person may, while driving a road vehicle, may use a hand-held device that includes a telephone function. More important, the first paragraph does not apply to a two-way radio or any cordless voice communication device which does not allow the parties to speak simultaneously.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Heather Butera_Howell, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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According to the new version of the law, for the purposes of enforcement, a driver in Quebec who is holding a hand-held device that includes a telephone function is presumed to be using the device. This prohibition

does not apply to drivers of emergency vehicles in the performance of their duties. (VE2LGL, RAQI)

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RADIO THROUGH SPACE: MARS ROVER GETS SOFTWARE UPDATE

NASA□s Mars Science Laboratory at JPL team has sent a software update to the Curiosity Rover on Mars, more than 160 million miles away. According to Venturebeat dot com, the software had to be updated because Curiosity needed different directions to drive around on Mars than it did to land on the planet□s surface.

The computer hardware in the Curiosity Rover is powered by a pair of computers built by BAE Systems. These RAD750 computers use a 10-year-old IBM PowerPC microprocessor running at a relatively slow 132 megahertz. These machines also have only 120 megabytes of random access memory, but are built to withstand wild temperature swings, radiation, and physical shaking.

The drawback is that the computers on the robot vehicle did not have enough memory for both the landing and its surface missions. So NASA had to swap out the software over four days of communication through the void of space. It took so long because it takes about 14 minutes to send the signal to the rover and another 14 minutes to get a response back. (Venturebeat.com)

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DX

In DX, K7BV, having recovered from a serious medical condition, is returning to Asia for a short visit between August 25th and September 2nd. He will be using his HS0ZKS callsign on HF bands from the home of HS1CHB, and hopes to QSO friends from around the world. He may also get on the air from Japan as well using his call JF1XJR. QSL via K7BV's new address at 290 West Road, Turkey, North Carolina 28393.

W7XA will be active stroke DU1 through August 27th from near Tagaytay Ridge which is about 40 miles south of Manila in the Philippines. His operation is on 20, 17 and 15 meters using mostly CW and some SSB. QSL via his home callsign as found on QRZ.com.

OE4JHW will be operational as 8Q7OE from the Maldives between September 3rd and the 14th. Activity will be holiday style on 40 through 10 meters using SSB and BPSK. He will focus on stations from DL, HB0, HB9 and OE, as well as on North and South America. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau. Also electronically using either Logbook of the World or eQSL.

Lastly, CT1FJZ says that he is now in Angola and is expected to be there for one year working in Benguela and Huambo. Look for him to be active as D2FJZ, mainly on the weekends and limited times during the weekdays. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters SSB. QSL to his home callsign, by the bureau or direct.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HONORING ERIN KING, AK4JG ☐ THE ARNEWSLINE 2012 YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR

And finally this week, we want to take a moment to congratulate 18 year old Erin King, AK4JG, and receiving her award as the 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. The ceremony was held at the Huntsville Hamfest where I had the honor of being the award presentation emcee, but it was truly AK4JG☐s moment to shine:

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AE5DW: ☐Ladies and gentlemen it is my pleasure to introduce to you a very impressive young lady. This is Erin King. She is your 2012 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. Erin, the floor is yours. (Applause)

AK4JG: ☐Thank you. Thank you. Thanks Don. Thanks to everyone who has helped to make this possible.

☐When I did my project with the tube and with all the ham radio stuff that I☐ve been doing so far, I had no idea that it going to bring me this far. I had no idea that I was going to have the opportunity to earn this award or that any of this would be possible.

☐Its been a lot of fun. I☐ve been a ham for about four years now and I have learned so much and have met a ton of great people and ham radio has become an integral part of my life and its one of the primary reasons that I☐m making the decisions for the future that I☐m going to have.

☐So it☐s all very exciting. I☐m very excited to be here to earn this award, so thank you very much (applause).

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The Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is jointly underwritten by Yaesu USA Corporation, CQ Publishing and Heil Sound. Yaesu has been with the award since its inception some 27 years ago. This year the company was represented by its Executive Vice President of Amateur Radio Sales and Marketing Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV:

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K7BV: ☐Hi Erin and congratulations from Yaesu. We don☐t want you to go off the air while you are traveling around with all of your schooling, We want you to have a radio that you get on the air with no matter where you go and that would be our portable FT-817ND. We hope that you will pack it in your bag and take it with you all the way to your CEO position with a Fortune 500 company sometime soon. So congratulations.☐

AK4JG: ☐Thank you. (applause)☐

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Part of the award is an expense paid trip to Spacecamp Huntsville courtesy of CQ Publishing. CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, took a bit of time to comment on quality of those nominated:

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W2VU: We□ve had a tremendous time being involved with the Young Ham of the Year Award and I□ve been honored to be one of the judges since we became involved and the quality of the young people who have been nominated has been just wonderful and it makes me very optimistic for the future of our hobby. And this is year after year.□

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Last but by no means least the awards newest corporate sponsor Heil Sound. Not only did founder Bob Heil, K9EID, present Erin with a pair of the company□s new headphones, but he also gave her a very special invitation to appear with him on his TWiT TV program Ham Nation:

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K9EID: □Well we are so happy for you and we want to stay in touch with you as you get through all the wonderful things that happen in ham radio. Come and visit us on Ham Nation and I really hope that we can have you as a guest real soon.□

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And there you have it for yet another year. The 27th consecutive year that this award has been presented and the 19th consecutive year that the presentation has been made at the Huntsville Hamfest. And in that regard we want to express our thank you to Charlie Emerson, N4OKL, and his team that puts on this annual event and to Dave Bell, W6AQ, who sponsors the Young Ham of the Year plaque. And also to Tom Medlin, W5KUB, who live streamed the presentation over the Internet for all to see on W5KUB.com and to Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, of Amateur Radio Video News who video recorded it for posterity. We thank you all. (ARNewsline□)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editor□s desk, I□m Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1599. eHam.net News for Saturday 25 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-25 22:35:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c7dee5b9f904c81eb596@google.com>
Source record: 2166
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Operators Keeping Ear on Isaac:

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 05:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28880

Old-fashioned equipment ready to do job: WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. -- South Florida amateur radio operators are monitoring Tropical Storm Isaac. Tom Loughney, president of the West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group, said ham radio is a reliable means of communications in emergencies when other systems failed or were overloaded. "When everything else fails, ham radio still works," said Loughney. The old-fashioned equipment may seem outdated, but Loughney said the National Hurricane Center relies on ham radios to receive reports in affected areas. "We're prepared to provide additional initial emergency communications for the public during those times," said Loughney.

1600. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 25 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-26 02:30:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044481b9d1392104c821fec7@google.com>
Source record: 2167
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Joplin Ham-fest - Four States Homepage

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 04:05 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG5jpvcWNwrc8Mzhmp55tSqv6JnsA&url=http://fourstateshomepage.com/fulltext?nxd_id%3D312632

Joplin Ham-fest
Four States Homepage
The Joplin Amateur Radio club held their 23rd annual Ham-fest Saturday at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. It is the largest ham radio festival in Missouri. People came from as far away as California to attend. Club president Jim Scott says its a ...

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Teens to make contact with space station - CapitalGazette.com

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 06:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEsUm463VvHxCk2M-LrtH-7oikU9w&url=http://www.capitalgazette.com/maryland_gazette/news/schools/teens-to-make-contact-with-space-station/article_ef1f20a5-fd55-5b80-9c7c-67ef0cc8307b.html

Teens to make contact with space station
CapitalGazette.com
As part of the Amateur Radio and the International Space Station program, students will make contact on the morning of Sept. 1, when the station is directly above the National Electronics Museum in Linthicum. Amateur radios, also known as Ham radios, ...

and more

1601. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 26 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-26 11:05:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51823ec97900304c82930de@google.com>
Source record: 2168
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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New ICOM Radios

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rMdloP9Il48/new_icom_radios.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two new ICOM rigs featured at this weekend's Tokyo Ham Fair. The IC-7100 multi-mode should prove popular with 70 MHz users as it gives 50 watts on the band

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14099 kHz CubeSat to launch in November

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UM9uQ2XEKkE/14099%20khz_cubesat_to_launch_in_november.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An amateur radio CubeSat designed and built by students at the Cape Peninsular University of Technology in Bellville will be launched towards the end of November, 2012

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SkyCube satellite in the press

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/McFXmVCyIEA/skycube_satellite_in_the_press.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Huffington Post reports on the SkyCube satellite that will be transmitting Earth images via a 57.6 kbps CubeSat modem in the 915 MHz band

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PB100, Netherlands Special Event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FMYFTcBq478/pb100prefix.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the ITU Prefixes, look for special event station PB100PREFIX to be active between October 4-31st

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ISS packet radio active again on 145.825 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ben9AAeyNmo/iss_packet_radio_active_aga
in.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The VHF packet system on the ISS, turned off in June because the air
purifier for the Automated Transfer Vehicle (ATV) needed to be plugged in,
is back on-the-air

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Ant-enna: Radio tags aid hairy wood ant research

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m3KvTcwh8go/ant_enna.htm?utm_source=fee
dburner&utm_medium=email

Scientists investigating the behaviour of the UK's largest ant are to tag
around 1,000 of the insects at a National Trust site in Derbyshire in the
first study of its kind

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MTN to sponsor Radio Amateur Awards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4dzlV3DLK64/mtn_to_sponsor_radio_amateu
r_awards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

MTN is the new sponsor for the South African Amateur Radio Development
Trust Radio Amateurs awards. Nominations are invited for the three
categories in which awards are made

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YL duo heading for Montserrat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aZx6Kuu1Mk4/yl_duo_heading_for_montserr
at.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

YL operators Babs DL7AFS and Lot DJ7ZG will once again be on another
DXpedition. This time they will be active as VP2MYL and VP2MGZ
respectively, from Montserrat

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Gough Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r86sqscCyyo/gough_island_dxpedition.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for Paul, ZD9KN, to be active from Gough Island (AF-030) until
September 31st. He is there working as a radio/electronics technician

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/p_XYviI6w2g/august_26.htm?utm_source=fe

edburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. There are currently a few sunspot regions visible but fortunately some more are in the process of being formed

1602. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 26 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-26 11:57:00 UTC
From: "Jim Stewart ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <gao_r.13509$bj2.4371@fx27.am4>
Source record: 2169
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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> Two new ICOM rigs featured at this weekend's Tokyo Ham Fair. The IC-7100
> multi-mode should prove popular with 70 MHz users as it gives 50 watts on
> the band
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more modern icom junk.....bound to be faulty .....

1603. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 26 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-26 16:06:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6142022f516a04c82d656d@google.com>
Source record: 2170
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Grounding for Lightning Protection - HamRadioNow Episode 15

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 03:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359079-Grounding-for-Lightning-Protection-HamRadioNow-Episode-15&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 15: Grounding for Lightning Protection

Tom Lewis N4TL gave this presentation on grounding techniques at the

August 2012 meeting of the Raleigh Amateur Radio Society, and agreed to let

us make it a HamRadioNow program. Thanks, Tom!

Keep in mind that while this is good advice and the principles are well researched,

we can't guarantee that this will keep you, your house or equipment safe! Lightning

protection is complicated science. You are responsible for your own installation.

Coming soon: a bunch of interviews from the Huntsville Hamfest... stay tuned

Watch this episode at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

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and 'click the pig'

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Japan Ham Fair 2012

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 08:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359036-Japan-Ham-Fair-2012&goto=newpost

The annual JARL Ham Fair is being held at Tokyo Big Sight this weekend. I've attended many of them over the past 20+ years, and am pleased how strong attendance has remained. In addition to the usual old timers, there are booths from university clubs and some school age hams roaming the halls. This year the number of foreign attendees seems up.

The "big three" all have new transceivers on display. Other commercial booths supply everything from US imports, to every antenna part or piece of mounting hardware you might need, to keys for operating and collecting. And the club booths continue to be their mix of specific (often, VERY specific) operating interests, nets, award chasers, hill-toppers, and junk sales.

I've started updating my photo collection with a few photos from the first day: http://onjapan.net/2012/hamfair/

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The Worldwide Repeater Directory Invites Frequency Coordinators Worlwide...

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 07:41 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358986-The-Worldwide-Repeater-Directory-Invites-Frequency-Coordinators-Worlwide&goto=newpost

We are inviting FC's worldwide to use the WWRD through RFinder/Web to help them do their job as frequency coordinators. RFinder/Web already shows repeaters on a map and we've been told by several FC's that being able to see the repeaters across borders is very helpful also. We are looking for a wishlist from FC's to build a special portal for FC's to have the tools they need to make frequency coordination easier. We already have FC's from several countries using RFinder/Web as a tool in their coordination activities.

To that end, Frequency Coordinators of planet Earth, here is your invite...go to http://www.rfinder.net/adminreg.html and request an ID. We will create your id and send you an email when done. You will be able to use RFinder/Web free of charge to maintain your list and use the mapping features. Again, please send your wishlist of features to w2cyk@rfinder.net

If you purchase the app for Android and/or iPhone, please use the same email/password as we will be adding features to RFinder that will be unlocked to your ID. We cannot give those out for free due to the licensing issues and upgrade issues on the App Store and Google Play. Your FC subscription will follow your app though.

If you prefer to give us your current repeater data in a spreadsheet instead of editing them on the web, please download this one and put them in there...http://www.rfinder.net/rfindersheet.xls. Email your list to w2cyk@rfinder.net.

Jesse will load them asap and email you when done. When your registration is complete, we will send you the spreadsheet preloaded with your region's data as we have it currently. Please edit it and send it back to us.

Thank you all for your overwhelming support. This has been an exciting year. 73's Bob W2CYK

RFinder runs on iPhone/iPad/iPod and Android and http://web.rfinder.net.
The World Wide Repeater Directory is also accessible from RTSystems radio programmers and via CHIRP on Windows, Linux and Macintosh with the same user/password you use on handheld devices. Our goal is to have the WWRD

accessible from most pervasive platforms. To that end Windows Phone and Symbian versions are in development and slated for release this fall. The web version has been tested and works on Blackberry. RFinder web has downloads for POI□s for TPE and most major GPS□s, including AvMap G5/G6, the GPS for Amateur Radio Operators.

1604. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 26 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Source record: 2171
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C21BN Nauru Island

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 06:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359134-C21BN-Nauru-Island&goto=newpost

JH1NBN will be active from Nauru starting 3 September 2012 for at least one week as C21BN

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en..._nauru-island/

73 Al 4L5A

1605. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1076

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-26 19:38:56 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <703895.91499.qm@smtp112.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2172
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1076

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BID: $OPDX.1076
August 27, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 19th-August, through Sunday, 26th-August there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, VU7, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A, MONACO. Nobby, G0VJG, will be active as 3A/G0VJG between October 1-5th. Activity will be on the HF bands using 100 watts and SSB only. QSL via G0VJG.

5X, UGANDA (Update). Nick, G3RWF, informs OPDX that he is returning to Uganda on October 16th, and expects to be on the air probably the next day as 5X1NH. He mentions that he will return to the UK on December 12th, and states, "Same set-up as usual - mixture of bands and modes". This probably means 80-10 meters, and he prefers to operate CW, but will also be on the Digital modes with some SSB. There will be no 160m (no room for an antenna) and 6 meters is not licensed. Operations will be limited because Nick does voluntary work at the "Mountains of the Moon University" in Fort Portal, so activity will be during his off hours. He adds that he is carrying all of his gear there (rig is K3). Nick has put over 100k QSOs in the log from Uganda and is looking for more! If you hear Nick's callsign before the 16th of October it is a PIRATE!. ADDED NOTE FROM NICK: He will be active as 5B/G3RWF during the month of September while on holiday.

9G, GHANA. Emil, ZS6EGB, is back in Ghana as of July 20th, under a new assignment with the Mining Group operating in the Central Province. He states, "We are setting up a new Clinic and will only be operational after my vacation." Please look for 9G5ZS on most bands. His usual setup will be an Icom 706mkIIG and a HyGain Vertical plus Dipoles for the low bands. QSL via ZS6EGB (see QRZ.com).

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Look for 19 year old university students Seiya "Sam"/JE1XUZ (KH0XH) and Yuzo/JQ2WTT (KH0XW) to be active as AH0BT from the Saipan BBQ Contest Club on Northern Mariana Islands, Saipan Island (OC-086) between August 29th and September 2nd. Activity will be focused on the All Asian DX SSB Contest (September 1-2nd) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via 7L1FPU.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kuroi, JH0MGJ/AL5A, will be active as AL5A/AH0 from Saipan Island (OC-086) between September 7-9th. He states that he will be looking "for many friends who will be in the Europe". QSL via LoTW. If you want a paper QSL (if it is necessary), his QSL Manager is JA7JEC.

C2, NAURU ISLAND. Yoosuke "Yuki", JH1NBN, will be active as C21BN (and possibly a special callsign) from Nauru between September 3-10th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using simple antennas with 100 watts. QSL via his home callsign.

C6, BAHAMAS. Robert, AK4BM, will be active as C6AGT from Green Turtle Cay (NA-080) between December 2012 and January 2013 (Specific dates were not provided). He plans to have a beacon (most likely on 10 meters) active during the day and will be operating SSB, and possibly the Digitial modes (PSK31 and JT65) during the evenings on various bands between 40-10 meters, as conditions permit. He may also operate from other uninhabited islands around Green Turtle Cay using a low power transmitter (Yaesu 817nd) using wire antennas, and probably on the 20 meter band. All QSL cards will be returned with a photo QSL from the island upon his return. Please send them direct to his home callsign AK4BM (w/SASE/Green Stamps appreciated, but not required).

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS. After trying to head back to South Cook Islands, the sail boat developed some problems and the skipper decided to take

Andy/AB7FS (E51AND) and his XYL Kathy back to Palmerston Atoll (OC-124), North Cook Islands. The couple will now stay until the middle of September. Look for Andy to be active mainly on CW around 14048 kHz. He often checks into the ANZA Net on 14183 kHz after 0500z. QSL via AB7FS.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, from the Island of Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276), announced that he will be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. This will be his first SSB contest. QSL via W2GR or LoTW. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

EL, LIBERIA. Look for the VooDoo Contest Group to once again be active from here between November 21-27th. This is their 24th straight year. Operations will be from a location just South of Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. Their main goal is to be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi category using the callsign EL2A. Outside of the contest the operators will use their own personal call-signs. Operators mentioned are Ned/AA7A (EL2NS), Roger/G3SXW (EL2A), Fred/G4BWP (EL2WP), John/G4IRN (EL2RN), Mike/KC7V (EL2MF), Lee/KY7M (EL2LF) and Bud/N7CW (EL2CW). QSL via their home callsign. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

DXPEDITION STORIES AVAILABLE ON THE WEB. The DXItalia Web page provides interesting DXpedition stories with pictures at: http://www.dxitalia.it
Presently, there are stories about:
* The CY9M 2012 Story:
http://www.dxitalia.it/web/2012/08/the-cy9m-2012-story
* HK0NA MALPELO 2012: http://www.dxitalia.it/web/2012/05/hk0na-malpelo-2012
* 3D2R – From problems to success (2011):
http://www.dxitalia.it/web/2012/05/3d2r-from-problems-to-success

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2011 - Buddies in the Caribbean 2011 Mini-DXpedition to Dominica:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=beHhtYS0o (Part 1)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hibaIckGU (Part 2)
2010 - CQ7OA Berlenga Island (EU-040) DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FvuCCunE0
2009 - Buddies in the Caribbean (FS/PJ6 & PJ7) Suitcase DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I8fdgGkHA

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use, and we will publish it.

HK, COLOMBIA. Members of the DX Colombia Amateur Radio Club (DXARC) and some Argentine operators will activate the "Jumanji Contest Station" as HK1NA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are Jorge/HK1R, Sal/HK1T, Pedro/HK1X, Sandra/HK3JJB, Mario/HK3O, Camilo/HK3TU, Faber/HK6F, Luis/HK6P, Daniel/LU3CT, Victor/LU3JVO, Toribio/LW1DTZ and Tim/LW9EOC. QSL via K6IPM. Visit the

DXARC Web page at: http://dxarc.org

IOTA NEWS.............
EU-025. Members of the Arcibessi DX & Contest Group will be active as II9P from Sicily Island during the All Asian DX SSB Contest (September 1-2nd) and CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via IT9CHU or LoTW. Operators mentioned for the CQWW DX SSB Contest are Antonello/IT9EQO, Carmelo/IT9AUG, Fabio/IT9GSF, Marcello/IT9CJC, Gianni/IT9BUN, Gene/IT9NJE, Marc/IT9ACN, Frederic/ON4LG and Romeo/S52RU. Visit the II9P Web page at: http://ii9p.com

EU-045. Look for IB0E to be active from Isola di Ventotene (IIA LT-011, MIA MI-118, WFF IFF-110, WLOTA 1403) by the time you read this. Activity will last until August 31st. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes with two stations on the air. QSL via operator's instructions.

EU-165. Riccardo, IZ5JMX, will be active as IM0/IZ5JMX from San Pietro Island between September 2-14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB only. QSL via the Bureau to his home callsign.

EU-171. Members of the Dutch Contest Group (Zeeuws-Vlaanderen [PI4DX]) will be active as OV2T from Jutland Island, Denmark, between August 29th and September 4th. Activity will be holiday style using SSB and CW, and perhaps some RTTY. During the weekend of September 1st, they will join the local OZ5GX group from Saeby, Denmark, during IARU region One Field Day as OZ5GX/P. QSL Manager for OV2T is PA0ABM, direct or by the Bureau. QSL via OZ5GX via info on QRZ.com.

EU-172. Operators Harry/PA1H and Nico/PA7PA will be active once again as OZ/homecall from Lang&#65533; Island (FY-025) between October 4-12th. Lang&#65533; Island belongs to Langeland Island, but it'?s off Langeland. Actually it's a very small island with only one house. The operators were active from here in 2009 and 2010. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, especially 30 meters and using more Digital modes. When possible 160 meters too. There will be special attention this time for stations outside Europe. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-174. Members of the "White Tower DX Team" will be active as J48SV from Samothraki Island (MIA MG-100, WLOTA 4166, GIOTA NAS-032) between August 24-27th. QSL via SV2FPU.

OC-170. Operators Reinhard/DF4TD, Steve/VK2SJK, Nigel/VK6NI and Wally/VK6YS will be active as VK6DWI from Woody Island between November 9-13th. They will run fairly simple stations with a pair of Icom IC7000s, verticals and a Spiderbeam. The team plans to have two stations on air whenever they have propagation. More details are forthcoming, and updates can be found at: http://www.westozdx.net/IOTAS/OC170/OC170.html

J2, DJIBOUTI. Christian, F5MBF, has been in Djibouti since July and has
been awaiting a callsign. He finally received the callsign J28NC. He is
expected to stay in Djibouti for at least two years. Activity will be
mainly CW with some SSB using a 80-10m vertical. He is expecting a beam
to be shipped to him. QSL route has not been provided.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (August 27th-September 2nd)....
Aug/27th AN Aug/30th AN Sep/01st AN
Aug/28st AN Aug/31st AN Sep/02nd AN
Aug/29th HN-LN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

NH8, SWAINS ISLANDS. Another press release was posted on the Swains Island
Web page <http://nh8s.org/pages/news.html> with pictures on August 25th,
this time from Alex Jennings. In short, David Jennings and his advance
crew departed Pago harbor on the "MV Sili" for Swains Island on August
24th. They took with them all the materials and supplies to set up two
operating stations, as well as sleeping quarters, a kitchen and restroom
facilities. They were also able to take all of the radio equipment that
was shipped in from California from the operators. Read the complete press
release at the above Web link. Remember, we should hear NH8S possibly
September 5th.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated August 26th)

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3Z0MFF via SP9PTG EI0LHL via EI4GXB R1050QB via UA1QEO
3Z95HB via SP2ZCI EK3GM via IK2QPR RW1150M via RQ3M
4L4ZA via DJ1CW EM7KAA/P via IK2DUW SD3N via SM3NXS
4O/IV3GTH via IV3GTH ES0/OH3BHL/P via OH3BHL SG3U via SM3CXS
4O/Z35W via Z35W ES0/RU5A via RU5A SQ6CU/8 via SQ6CU
4Z130R via 4Z4KX HB0/IZ3GNG via IZ3GNG SV5/DL7YS via DL7YS
8Q7HA via 9K2HS HF70DZIDEK via SP5NHV SV9/EM5F via UR5FAV
9A20HRS via 9A3JB HG5FIRAC via HA5BSW SV9/I1FQH via I1FQH
9K24P via 9K2OK (B) HS0ZKG via HS Bureau V63PR via JJ8DEN
9N1AA via N4AA I0/YO7LKW via YO7LKW VK3/W5RH via W5RH
AH0J via JA1NVF II1PV via IQ1GE VU3TMO via VU2JOS
BD7JUI via BA4EG IT9/IZ2MFD via IZ2MFD W7L via AI4U
C5/M1KTA via M1KTA IX1/IZ5GST via IZ5GST XV1X via RW6HS (d)
CO8WZ via EA7TV JW/SQ5BPF via SQ5BPF XV9NPS via JA2NPS

CQ7GIL via CS1AAM KH2L via W3HNK YQ7M via YO7MGG
EA8/DG5NFF via DG5NFF KH6LC via WA6WPG YR2WFF via YO2KJW
EG5FTE via IK1GPG NN1X via JG3JLC YR8Y via YO8WW
EG7AL via EA7NL OD5PY via KU9C YT0WFF via YU7CM
EG8FSJ via EA8NE ON20OSA via ON4OSA YW5YL via YV5AJ
EH2DC via EA2URC R111DCP via UA6MM
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

CY9M QSL STATUS. QSL cards are expected to be shipped out within a few weeks. Also, if you want to view their four sided QSL card, go to: http://dx-world.net/2012/qsl-card-preview-cy9m

D64K OQRS is "NOW AVAILABLE" at: http://www.d64k.net/log-on-line

QSL MANAGER. It has been reported that Alex, UA9YPS, is the QSL Manager for the following: JT0YPS, JT0YAB, XU7AEP, XU7AEQ, YV5/UA9YAB, YV5/UA9YPS, YV7/UA9YAB and YV7/UA9YPS. QSL ONLY direct to UA9YPS.

VU7M DXPEDITION PHOTOS are now available for viewing at:

https://plus.google.com/photos/110254406059509302988/albums/5780835703240603633?banner=a

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4AIF, 9A2YM, 9A205AN, CU3AC, DC3CD, DC1NSK, DJ1XT, DL1IAI, EA1DAX, EA2KV, EA7SG, EI3KG, HA1AG, HC2A, II4K, JA0FVU, JA1QOW, JF1JTQ, K4JPD, KP2JS, LA1J, OE1A, OK1AU, P40A, PA4N, PY5FB, RK2T, SM2ODB, TI2HAS, TF4X, UA6BRD, UR3IFD, UR5GDX/P, VK4BUI, VK6GX, W1WBB, XE1GRR, YB8Y, YL0Y and YO9FNP

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 6V7S, A41MX, A5A, EW6DX, FM5WD, G4RCG, NP3CW, S9DX, TY2BP, VE2/F8BMG, VR2KF, YL2AG and ZD7FT

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 8J1RL, A35AY, A71DLH, AM1KR, BO0M, BU2AW, BV0EXPO, BV3FG, BW0S, BW1/VR2RR, BW2000, DR1A, DX2DP, EN20UARL, EO20IGN, EO20UU, FJ/OS1T, GB5RST, GR0RPM, H55MX, HD2M, IE9Z, JX/G3SXW, LY25QT, OH0I, OX3XR, PG540BUFFALO, PP0T, V5/DL2SL, V63X and XW0ZJZ

SILENT KEY. Eric, SM1TDE, informs OPDX that Lars Rooth, SM1BOE (he was an operator at HV3SJ), became a Silent Key (SK) on July 21st, at the age of 90 years old. He served in the British Army during WW2, acted as teacher for Pope Johannes Paulus and worked for the Swedish language program of Vatican Radio among other things. For more info on Lars Rooth, SM1BOE, see: http://www.news.va/en/news/jesuit-father-lars-rooth-passes-away

http://archive.catholicherald.co.uk/article/3rd-may-1994/6/rare-sort-of-priest-in-sweden

OTHER SILENT KEYS MENTIONED:
George Varvitsiotes, K6SV (ex-WB6DSV), Ham Radio Outlet (HRO) Vice President, became a Silent Key on August 21st.

Joel P. Kleinman, N1BKE, of Meriden, Connecticut, and QST Managing Editor, became a Silent Key on August 18th.

Victor (Vic) Poor, W5SMM, of Melbourne, Florida, a recipient the "ARRL President's Award" became a Silent Key on August 17th.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above mentioned.

PJ2, CURACAO ISLAND. The German team of Anja/DH2AK and Wilf/DL1HTM will be active as PJ2/homecall from Curacao Island between August 26th and September 1st. They plan to operate from the PJ2A club station, mainly on 20 and 15 meters SSB. QSL via their home callsigns.

SPECIAL OPDX BULLETIN. If you missed OPDX.1075.1, containing press releases/updates on the upcoming NH8S Swains Island and ZL9HR Campbell Island DXpedition, go to the OPDX's Home page at:
http://www.papays.com/opdx1075.1.html

SV9, CRETE. Operators Alberto/EA1SA and YL Silvia/EA1AP will be active as SV9/homecall from Crete (EU-015) between September 9-15th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will use a vertical dipole arrays and other wire antennas. QSL via their home callsigns.

SW9, CRETE. Uli, DJ9XB, will be active as SW9XB from Crete Island during the month of September. He will be active in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

TI, COSTA RICA. Alan, K0AV, will once again be active as TI5A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via TI5KD or LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA. As this was been written, Yoshi, JJ8DEN, is expected to once again be active as V63PR from Micronesia, but this time from Falalop Island, Ulithi Atoll, Yap State (OC-078), until September 3rd. It was mentioned on QRZ.com: "This schedule might change or cancel without previous notice due to flight to/from Falalop Island." Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A if possible. QSL via JJ8DEN, direct (w/SASE: Please send European type envelope with 2 USDs or 1IRC) or by the Bureau (Do NOT send QSL to V63 Bureau).

Z2, ZIMBABWE (Also 9J). Gerard (Gert), ZS6AYU, will be active as Z21GF from Victoria Falls between October 22-25th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW only. He informs OPDX that he will use a Cushcraft R7000 vertical running 400 watts. QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or by the Bureau. ADDED NOTE: Gert also mentions that he intends to visit Zambia (Waiting for the license) between October 19th and October 22nd.

ZD9, GOUGH ISLAND (Bad and Good News). Its seems the DX community has been duped on the Paul, ZD9KN, operation from Gough Island (AF-030). ZD9KN is a PIRATE! Several sources report that Johan, ZS1A, has confirmed that the callsign ZD9KN has never been issued. So, do not waste time working this station if you hear him.
The good news is that Gerard ZS6KX/ZS7KX will be going to Gough Island sometime September for one year. He is hoping to be issued the callsign ZD9KX and is awaiting for the approval/license. QSL route TBA. Look for

more details to be forthcoming.

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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1606. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 26th August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-26 20:00:19 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120826200003.F39DB33C99@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2173
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 26th August 2012

Licence Examination

There is now just under four weeks left to Thursday 20 September which is the closing date for the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m.in the ComReg Offices in Dublin.

Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

IRTS Shop update

Following discussion with our friends at RSGB the Society has agreed to give a 10% discount to IRTS members on purchases from the RSGB Shop. IRTS members should select the "Non members Price" before placing the order and then enter the special IRTS Discount Code during the checkout process. At this point the 10% discount will be calculated. IRTS members, who are also RSGB members, should continue to select the "RSGB Member's Price" to get the RSGB Member's discount and not use the IRTS Discount Code. It is not possible to obtain both discounts! The IRTS Discount Code will change from time to time and will be published for members in Echo Ireland. Just follow the 'Book Sales' link on the IRTS website.

Echo Ireland

The August edition of Echo Ireland will be mailed to members during the week. Anyone whose enjoyment of radio is affected by local electrical noise - and that includes most of us - will be very interested in the article by Ciaran EI7GSB, who tells of his search for sources of noise and the various solutions he has used to deal with these noise

problems.

One way of getting away from RF noise is perhaps to travel to an offshore island; this month's Echo Ireland includes two reports of island activities - Ger EI5KF on Bere Island and the Shannon Basin Radio Club EJ3Z on Inisbofin - both of these activations taking place during the recent Islands On The Air contest.

In the regular HF Happenings column, Anthony EI2KC reports on recent and forthcoming DXpeditions and also includes some snippets about their DXing activities from John EI7BA, Ark EI9KC and Don EI6IL. Meanwhile, in the latest excerpt from the HX files, Pat EI2HX recounts how he brought an old 10 Gigahertz transmitter back to life.

Two reports from AREN (Amateur Radio Emergency Network) groups are included: the new group operating in the North-East reports on their training activities and their involvement in the Clogherhead 10k run. The long-established Galway VHF Group reports on the assistance they provided for the Connemara Marathon; their report also includes an explanation of why HF is generally used in the Connemara area, in preference to VHF.

Two recent events showcasing amateur radio are covered: the Galway Radio Experimenters Club ran a demonstration station as part of the Volvo Ocean Race celebrations and a full report of their activities is in Echo Ireland. Also in the latest Echo Ireland is a report on the contact between the participants of the European Space Agency's summer camp in Dublin and Joe KE5DAR, who is currently on the International Space Station -this contact was facilitated by members of IRTS.

Counties Contest

A brief reminder that the 2 Metres counties contest takes place today (Sunday 26th August) from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm local time. FM and SSB modes can be used in the contest, and a station may be worked on both modes. After any QSO in which you are called by another station, you must QSY to another channel (FM), or by at least 3 kHz (SSB), before soliciting another QSO. There are both Fixed and Portable sections in the contest, so expect to hear some of the rarer counties on the air. See www.irts.ie/contests for the full rules.

Information Evening

The Ballyroan Community & Youth Centre - which is the QTH of South Dublin Radio Club - is holding an Information Evening on Tuesday next (28th August) from 7pm to 9pm. The Information Evening is designed to allow users of the Youth Centre to highlight their activities and recruit new members. SDR along with IRTS will have a stand at this event.

Limerick Radio Club

The Limerick Radio Club participated in the ILLW weekend from Loop Head Lighthouse. It was the first time that the lighthouse was activated by the Limerick Radio Club for the ILLW event and it proved to be very successful and enjoyable. The clubs newly acquired telescopic mast got it's first formal outing. Two stations were operated one from the base of the lighthouse and the second from the lightkeepers lookout room. Antennae consisted of an A4S, an A3WS and two G5RVs along with the club ICOM 756PRO, Kenwood TS-940S, SCAM telescopic mast and the club tilt up mast. Contacts were logged using the Win-EQF software.

Altogether, twelve LRC members participated at various times over the weekend. Activity started at midnight on Friday with several QSOs into North and South America and continuing through Saturday into Sunday evening. The log showed 1440 unique call signs with a total of 1532 QSOs worked to 64 countries - a good weekends work. Thanks to all who participated.

The club is on the road again this weekend from the Shannon AirVenture event which will be located at the entrance to Shannon Town. Activation will be from 11:00 to 17:00 local times.

The Shannon Basin Radio Club

The Shannon Basin Radio Club will once again be hosting the ssb field day in the grounds of Garbally College in Ballinasloe, Co Galway and would like to invite clubs or individual operators to come and take part or just to visit and see a portable contest station. The contest takes place over the first weekend of September. The famous barbeque will take place on saturday evening for all participating or visiting ops. For further information contact brian ei8iu on 0862514822.

DX News

Following a successful trip to Crete in 2011 Luc ON6DSL returns there again from 27 August until 3 August. His callsign will be SV9/ON6DSL/P. He will be running low power to a dipole. QSLs go via his home call.

Moise F4EZG who also operates from Madagascar as 5R8VE will be active from Nosy Alanana off the coast of Madagascar from 1 - 3 September. This small island counts as separate from Madagascar and has the Islands on the Air reference of AF-090. He will be active mainly on 15 and 20m.

Michael DF8AN is a well-travelled amateur operator and has been QRV from over 140 countries. He travels to Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean from 2 - 10 September where he will operate as FR/DF8AN. Look for him on SSB on 40, 20, 15 and 10m.

Paul CT1FJZ will be working in Angola for the next year or so. Look out for him on 80 - 10m SSB using the callsign D2FJZ. Activity will be

mainly at the weekends but he will try to get on the air when possible during weekdays.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1607. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 26 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-27 02:30:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced10f537904c8361def@google.com>
Source record: 2174
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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MTN to sponsor Radio Amateur Awards - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 01:11 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEUrEJTDPXGvNiU9soEDkqtONeGvA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/mtn_to_sponsor_radio_amateur_awards.htm

MTN to sponsor Radio Amateur Awards
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The award is made for the support, development and application of Technological Innovation in Amateur Radio in South Africa. The recipient will be a person who has promoted the use of technology in amateur radio at club level, nationally, at schools or ...

1608. eHam.net News for Sunday 26 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-27 03:08:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c7def7b35804c832619f@google.com>
Source record: 2175
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Joplin Hamfest:

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 05:24 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28884

The Joplin Amateur Radio club held their 23rd annual Ham-fest Saturday at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. It is the largest ham radio festival in Missouri. People came from as far away as California to attend. Club president Jim Scott says it's a great way to catch up with old friends.

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Hurricane Watch Net on 20, Adds 7.268 MHz:

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 05:26 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28883

The Hurricane Watch Net
will continue operating today on our primary
frequency of 14.325 MHZ as tropical storm Isaac
moves toward the gulf. To take advantage of
good propagation into the area, HWN will also
be operating on 7.268 MHz this afternoon.
Stations in the affected area are encouraged to
report your weather conditions and monitor for
updates.

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Teens to Make Contact with Space Station:

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28882

The radio crackled with interference, but still no answer. The student leaned forward, she repeated the call sign, "Kilo Three November Echo Mike." Nothing. She sighed, and handed over the transmitter. Then the words came spilling out from 900 miles away. "We got some sunshine here in Iowa," said the voice. "Seventy-seven degrees, it's a beautiful day." Kseniya Zubilova, a sophomore at Mount Hebron High School west of Baltimore, smiled and replied. The next voice she hears over the amateur radio will likely be from space. Zubilova and about nine other area students are planning to communicate by radio with the International Space Station next week. Each student studied to earn a federal license to operate an amateur radio through a free program supported by NASA. As part of the Amateur Radio and

the International Space Station program, students will make contact on the morning of Sept. 1, when the station is directly above the National Electronics Museum in Linthicum. Amateur radios, also known as Ham radios, operate by bouncing short radio waves between the Earth and its atmosphere. They're capable of reaching anywhere in the world, said museum volunteer Dan Zeitlin.

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Brad's Beat: Big Hams:

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28881

JOPLIN, MO. -- Ray Brown is a fellow broadcaster with his own call letters. "K-Bostn" He's been a ham operator for nearly 20 years and says there's nothing quite like it. "It's a fun hobby. It's appeals to us nerds that are electronically minded," states Brown. He and a few hundred other ham operators are holding "Ham Fest" at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Joplin. In order to be a ham operator, you have to get a license from the FCC and when you broadcast, there are several rules. "No swearing, no outright broadcasting, except for absolute emergencies, no music," states Brown. At the Ham Fest the operators have a chance to meet their friends in person. They'll buy new parts, microphones, and tubes to fine tune their hobby. Their broadcast signals can reach around the world.

1609. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 27 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-27 06:08:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852bfe2a8b04c839263c@google.com>
Source record: 2176
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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51st Annual Hoosier Hills Hamfest - Oct 6th

Posted: 25 Aug 2012 06:23 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359101-51st-Annual-Hoosier-Hills-Hamfest-Oct-6th&goto=newpost

The 51st Annual Hoosier Hills Hamfest Saturday, October 6, 2012 at the Lawrence Co. Fairgrounds 11261 Hwy 50 West south of Bedford Indiana. Lots of Ham Radios, Electronics, Computers, Parts, Tailgators & Venders. VE Testing. This years hamfest will be a ONE DAY hamfest, with a new lower admission price of just $5. Vender set-up starts at 6 am and the gate opens to the public at 8 am. (all times eastern) Talk-in will be on 146.73 MHz (-) PL 107.2 W9QYQ repeater. A PDF hamfest flyer can be downloaded at: http://www.w9qyq.org/pdf/hamfest.pdf or visit the hamfest website at: http://www.hoosierhillshamfest.org

Hope to see you there, 73

The Hoosier Hills Ham Club

W9QYQ/W9GUS

1610. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 27 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-27 11:12:31 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0444e7d37ad96204c83d66c0@google.com>
Source record: 2177
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT 2012 Space Symposium on-line registration opens

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eyXXwjObwdk/amsat_2012_space_symposium_online_registration_opens.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT announces that the registration for the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium, to be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th is now open on-line. A mail-in option is also available those preferring this approach

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Make It Happen - CubeSat keynote presentation

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ErxS9p3cZZk/make_it_happen.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Korean artist Hojun Song traveled to Malmö in Sweden to give this keynote presentation about his innovative amateur radio CubeSat OSSI-1 to the Media Evolution Conference on August 23

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Information Evening

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The Ballyroan Community and Youth Centre - which is the QTH of South Dublin Radio Club - is holding an Information Evening on Tuesday next (28th August) from 7pm to 9pm

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QSL House Cleaning

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Henryk, SM0JHF, reports, I am retired now and can no longer afford sending all QSL cards automatically. I have in the past 50 years personally filled in and shipped more than 100k QSL cards for my activities.

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
19th-August, through Sunday, 26th-August there were 221 countries active

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Swains Island DXpedition

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Another press release was posted on the Swains Island Web page with
pictures on August 25th, this time from Alex Jennings

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American Samoa operation

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Bill, N6MW, and possibly 1 or 2 other amateur radio operators (TBA) will be
active as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila, south of the Pago Pago harbor
area (to avoid mountain low angle cut off) between November 8-19th

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IOTA news from OPDX

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Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Chagos Islands operation cancelled

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u2jiuk_4Vbg/chagos_islands_operation_cancelled.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chuck, W4XP, who was expected to be active now as VQ9XP from the club
station VQ9X on Diego Garcia Atoll, reports that the operation has had to
be cancelled

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Radio Technology in Action heads for Port Elizabeth

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Register now for the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposium to be held
at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in Port Elizabeth on 1
September 2012

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USA Amateur Radio Exam video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lrt8DtyrYmI/usa_amateur_radio_exam_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This hour-long video illustrates the intensive memorizing exam technique
used by some in the USA

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History This Week

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/erlmE6lopdY/history_27_august.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 26th August 2012

The news headlines:

RSGB sticks to its views on EMC Directive

Has 2O12L broken a world record?

RSGB Convention bookings and programme details

Members may have seen recent press commentary about the RSGB's position on the proposed European powerline telecommunications standard. Whilst protecting to a large extent the amateur HF bands, this standard, if approved, would legalise high levels of wideband emissions elsewhere in the HF spectrum, in direct contravention of the European EMC Directive. The European Commission's own EM Consultant supports the RSGB view that the Standard would not comply with European Law.

Sadly the International Amateur Radio Union has taken the view that support for the standard represents protection for the amateur bands The RSGB has concerns that this is a narrow view, and that setting aside the requirements of the EMC Directive is not only improper, but bodes ill for the future protection of the Spectrum and for the integrity of the standardisation process.

The RSGB position is now being challenged by the Chair of the CENELEC Committee charged with developing the standard, who argues that there is no current standard. This is simply not the case, as the Commission itself has confirmed that the exiting CISPR22 standard applies to PLA devices. That it fails to allow the high emission levels which PLT manufacturers say they need is the real issue. You can read more at www.rsgb.org/pla

The team at 2O12L, the special event station for the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, believe that they have now broken the world record for the number of contacts by a Special Event Station. It is believed the record was made by DQ2006X during the 2006 World Cup, their total made between 13 May and 16 July 2006 was 47,790 contacts. At 2142UTC on 21 August, 2O12L made contact number 47,791. The team would like to thank the thousands who have joined the pile-ups to contact 2O12L and now they look forward to hitting their overall target of 60,000 QSOs. 2O12L goes QRT on 9 September after the Paralympic Games' closing ceremony so there is plenty of time to work the station or get more band-slots.

The RSGB Convention early bird bookings have been extended to close on 3rd September. Highlights of the programme includes lectures on the HK0NA DXpedition, T32C on Christmas island, Peter Hart, G3SJX on HF transceivers and Ian White, GM3SEK on ways to make your station better amongst many more. Details can be found on the RSGB website. For bookings, visit www.rsgbevents.org.

Following the success of the Worked All Britain's Follow The Torch event, the group would like to remind potential claimants that claims for the award must be received by the Awards Manager, Darran Chappell, G0BWB by 31 August. Claims may be made via the post, or via email and payment made via PayPal. Full details are on the website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk.

Further to our announcement last week concerning those who listen to GB2RS at 0900 hours on 80 metres. This is to confirm that the reading on 3640kHz is being discontinued after today. Next Sunday, 2 September, and thereafter, there will be one 0900 hours reading for listeners in the South of England covering East Anglia across to the South West and also Wales. The 1800 hours National bulletin on 3650kHz will also be discontinued. An update of the GB2RS Broadcast schedule can now be found in the Members' Area of the RSGB website.

Sad news now as we learned that QST Managing Editor Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, died in a house fire on Saturday, 18 August. Our thoughts are with his family, friends and many colleagues at the ARRL during this difficult time.

Finally, next weekend, 1 and 2 September is the ever-popular RSGB SSB Field Day. Participants have 24 hours in which to make as many QSOs as possible, taking in as many countries as they can. There are Open and Restricted categories, with antenna arrangements for the latter now the same as they are for CW NFD. Good luck to all participants.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, Sunday 26 August, the Milton Keynes ARS rally takes place at Bletchley Park, Sherwood Drive, Bletchley, Milton Keynes MK3 6EB. Doors open at 9.30am and admission is ?2. Parking is available on Sherwood Drive or at the railway station. There will be trade stands and special interest groups.

Tomorrow, on 27 August, Huntingdonshire ARS rally will take place at St Neots Community College, Barford Rd, St Neots PE19 2SH. Doors open at 10am and admission is ?2. There will be trade stands, car boot area and a Bring & Buy. Contact Clive, G3NKQ on 01480 810 473.

Telford & District ARS will be holding their Amateur Radio Hamfest at Enginuity, Coalbrookdale, Telford, next Sunday, 2 September. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is ?3 with accompanied children free. There will be new and second hand radio equipment, antennas and parts as well as a Bring and Buy. Refreshments will be available on site and there are two pubs nearby. Rally goers can obtain reduced admission to the Enginuity Museum for a real hands-on experience. There will be a special

illustrated talk at 11.30am on Light Communications, be seated early as space is limited. For more information, speak to Martyn on 01952 255 416.

Now for the news of special events

Kent Weald Radio Club is operating GB1HA until Sunday 2 September. The event is part of sponsored activities being held at the Headcorn Aerodrome, Kent, in aid of the air ambulance and other local charities, and to demonstrate amateur radio to any visitors. Operations will be on HF and VHF and is open to visits from the public through to 2 September.

GB1SKC will be on the air for Churches and chapels On The Air, organised by WACRAL, on Saturday 8 September.

Hinckley Amateur Radio Electronics Society will be running a special event station at the Shackerstone Family Festival on 1 and 2 September. Directions for this event are on www.shackerstonefestival.co.uk/, with the nearest postcode being CV13 6NB. Any club or individual is welcome to attend and operate and any help with the running of these events setting up etc would be gratefully received. Contact is Vinny, M0TAV on 07947 330 700.

On Saturday 1 September, Ballymena Amateur Radio Club will be running a special event station, GB150WCB, in conjunction with 150 years of West Church, Ballymena. They will be on the air between noon and 5pm on VHF and HF. A special QSL card will be available via the bureau. Visitors will be very welcome, come and join in the celebrations.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

CT1FJZ is expected to be working in Angola for one year. Look for him to be active as D2FJZ, mainly on the weekends and limited times during the weekdays. Activity will be on 10 through to 80 meters SSB. QSL to his home callsign, by the bureau or direct.

A special event station with the callsign SU30ASR will be on the air from Alexandria in Egypt until 2 September. QSLs go via SM5AQD.

Paul, ZD9KN, will be on the air using SSB only on 10 through to 160m from Gough Island using an FT-2000 and dipoles until 31 September. The log will be uploaded to the Logbook of The World within one year. QSL direct via IZ0UIM.

Kevin, KL7/KJ4OAP, Nathaniel, KL7/W2NAF and Ethan, KL7/K8GU plan to become active on 6 through to 40m from Adak Island until 12 September. QSLs via homecalls.

Now the contest news

The UK Microwave Group's Cumulative Contest takes place today, Sunday 26th, on the 5.7GHz, 10GHz and 24GHz bands. It's the fourth in the series, with the final taking place next month. Running from 1000 to 1600UTC the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The IRTS 2m Counties Contest also takes place today, the 26th, with awards for the leading non-EI station in each of the six sections of this 2-hour event. These awards often go to stations in GI, but if you have a good takeoff across the sea to Ireland it's definitely worth a try. Also, if you're a VHF `square basher' and have missing squares in Ireland, it could be a good afternoon to work some of them. Running from 1300 to 1500UTC using SSB and FM, the exchange is signal report and serial number. EI and GI stations also give their county. Like most contests, the goal is to work as many stations as possible (in this case CW stations only). Each station may be worked once per band.

The 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 28 August between 1900 and 2100UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 28 August at 1900 to 2130UTC, the SHF Activity Contest takes place. Using all modes on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, 1 and 2 September, it's the RSGB SSB Field Day from 1300 to 1300UTC. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 144MHz Trophy Contest takes place for 24 hours on the 1st and 2nd., from 1400 to 1400UTC. It is hotly contested in the Open category, but there are four other categories and three of them are for single ops, so there are opportunities for all to strive to do well. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Overlapping the last three hours of the 144MHz Trophy Contest, and then continuing for one hour on its own, the fifth and final 144MHz Backpacker contest takes place on Sunday 2nd. In the Backpackers there are two permitted power levels, 3W and 10W. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

As we enter the autumn there are lots of international contests, the first being the All Asian DX SSB that takes place for the entire 48 hours of the 1st and 2nd. The exchange in this event is quite different to the exchange in SSB Field Day with which it coincides, so it can be handy for those teams taking part in SSB Field Day to have a suitable exchange at hand, perhaps the average age of those present to give to All Asian participants. Using the 1.8 to 28MHz bands the exchange is signal report and age, although ladies are allowed to give 00.

The IARU 144MHz Contest takes place at exactly the same time as the RSGB 144MHz Trophy, 1400 to 1400UTC. The exchange in these two contests are the same and all those who submit a log for the RSGB event will be automatically entered for the IARU event, unless they specify otherwise.

The CW Open is a new event run by the American-based CW Operators' Club. On the weekend of 1st - 2nd it consists of three 4-hour sessions, spread over the course of twenty hours. The sessions are adjudicated separately, so you don't have to enter all three, you can work the same stations in each session and you can work singly or as a member of a

team. For more information, and full rules, go to
www.cwops.org/cwopen.html.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 17th to Thursday the 23rd of August, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 24th August.

The period started with three visible sunspot groups. A new group approaching the north-east solar limb produced six M class solar flares on the 17th and the 18th when solar activity was at moderate levels. By the 18th this group had rotated into view but by then solar flares had stopped taking place. Solar activity declined to very low levels for the remainder of the week. Solar flux levels varied little day to day and the average was 96 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 23rd was 124 units, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels averaged B2 units. Geomagnetic activity started at unsettled levels due to a recurring coronal hole but by the 21st activity declined to quiet levels. The most disturbed days were the 18th and the 20th with an Ap index of 13 units on both days. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 340 kilometres per second on the 18th to 620 by the morning of the 20th. Speeds then returned to around 350 kilometres per second by the 22nd. Particle densities were low except for a brief increase to 20 particles per cubic centimetre late on the 18th and early on the 19th. Bz varied between minus 12 and plus 13 nanoTeslas during the disturbance and between minus 3 and plus 2 nanoTeslas on the quietest day.

And finally the solar forecast. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity may not be as high as the last rotation but activity could still increase to moderate levels on some days. Solar flux levels should increase and be in the 120's later in the week. Geomagnetic activity could be `unsettled' today but activity should then decline to quiet levels for the remainder of the week. An Earth directed coronal mass ejection is unlikely this week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 12MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate will be around 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate of about 20MHz. The best time to try this path will be between the hours of 0800 and 1100. With the summer Sporadic-E season coming to an end soon openings will become less frequent now but are still possible on some days.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding a club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. Monday sees a curry night at Monsoon, Wythall, and on Tuesday there's preparation for HF SSB NFD. Friday sees a social evening in the shack, and then next Saturday kicks off the HF SSB NFD weekend event. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications is holding a club net on Monday on 144.165 USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR, and on Friday there is a club net on GB3FR. For more information contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating at Crickley Hill on Bank Holiday Monday, then taking part in SSB Field Day weekend from next Saturday. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

South Birmingham Radio Society is closed on Bank Holiday Monday, starting its training classes and review of exam results on Thursday. On Friday there's shack and aerial work plus loading the trailer for Telford Hamfest, where the club is running a stand next Saturday. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 50MHz UK AC from the shack on Tuesday from 8pm. On Wednesday there's an antenna workshop and preparation for SSB Field day at the shack, plus a natter night at the BSA club. Thursday sees the club simplex net on 145.375MHz, followed by more preparation for SSB Field day on Friday. Next Saturday there's the Surgery in the Shack from 9am plus SSB Field Day & the 144MHz Trophy, which continue into Sunday. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting on Wednesday to discuss plans for new training classes. Next Sunday there is a club visit to the Telford Hamfest at the Enginuity Technology Centre, Coalbrookdale, Telford. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society stages its 4th 2m DF hunt on Wednesday, with G8UGL as fox. Next Sunday there is a club visit to the Telford Hamfest. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Central Radio Amateur Circle has a night on the air on 145.300MHz from 8pm on Thursday, then a group visit to Telford Hamfest next Sunday. Contact Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday 28 August Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 28 August Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509

504 319.

On Thursday 30 August Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a quiz night, competing against PARC. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 30 August Tamworth Amateur Radio Society is holding a DF Hunt, initially meeting at the club. Details by email to Darren, secretary@tars.es.

On Friday 31 August Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening on VHF/UHF. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Saturday 1 September Hinckley Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event operating a special event station for Shackerstone Family Festival. Any club or individual is welcome to attend and operate, where applicable, and any help with the running of these events or setting up etc would be gratefully received. The nearest postcode is CV13 6NB. Details from John, M0JAV, on 07836 731 544.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

South Tyneside ARS is currently taking enquiries about their new Foundation Course that begins in Jarrow on Monday 3 September. For details, or to book a place, call or text Rob, M0LGV, on 07961 013 307.

Now for clubs that have several events this week. Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is closed on Bank Holiday Monday. Next Saturday they commence their weekend event for the HF Contest at Windmill Hills school field. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is closed on Bank Holiday Monday. Next Saturday they commence their weekend event for the RSGB SSB Field Day & 144MHz Trophy Contest, with G2AS/P on HF and G3RCM/P on VHF. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

Goole Radio and Electronics Society is having a contest planning night on Wednesday, and next Saturday are on the air and having an antenna test session. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is preparing for the contest on Thursday, then taking part in the 2m Trophy contest next weekend. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 27 August Workington and District Radio and IT Group is having a talk on vertical antennas by Steve, G0MTD. For more information get in touch with Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092.

On Tuesday 28 August Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on D-Star by Bob, G3VVT. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 29 August Denby Dale Radio Club has a Real Ale night from 8pm at the Star Inn, Lockwood HD1 3PJ. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on

07976 220 126.

On Wednesday 29 August Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night and preparing for Field Day. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday 29 August South Lancs Amateur Radio Club will be signing up candidates for their Advanced course at Bickershaw Labour Club, Bickershaw Lane, Bickershaw WN2 5TE. More information from Allan, 2E0RAG on 07533 970 841.

On Thursday 30 August Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate course with Chris, M0KJP. Contact Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

On Friday 31 August East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a technical forum. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

On Thursday 30 August Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a Morse class and is on the air. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Tuesday 28 August Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society has Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Saturday 1 September Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the RSGB SSB Field Day from Walker Park, Aberdeen. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA

We start with clubs that have several events this week. Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday. Next Saturday they commence their weekend event for SSB Field Day. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for HF SSB Field Day on Wednesday, which they are participating in all next weekend. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal meeting with Bright Sparks; the shack is open and the workshop available. Next Saturday they commence their weekend event for the RSGB SSB Field Day at DCP, near Great Ellingham. This coincides with the fun and educational Radio Active weekend of events at DCP, which includes talks and hands-on workshops from 9am Saturday until 4pm Sunday. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 29 August Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is planning for the SSB Field day contest on Wednesday, which they are participating in next Saturday and Sunday. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is sorting out equipment for the SSB Field Day weekend event that commences next Saturday. Next Sunday evening there is a radio night and post event equipment check. Details from Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 27 August Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual bank holiday rally at Ernulf Academy, St Neots PE19 2SH. Contact David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Tuesday 28 August Dorking & District Radio Society is having its fish and chip supper. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday 28 August Farnborough & District Radio Society is having a club 2 metre net from 8 to 9pm on 144.675MHz. All are welcome. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

On Tuesday 28 August Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on repeaters by M1HOG. Details from Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Thursday 30 August Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a club night, with CW practice from 8:30 to 9pm. Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday 30 August Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a tour of the W J King Brewery. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 30 August Vange A R S is holding its summer barbecue. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 31 August Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. More information from Mick Ponsford, M0GWD, on 02392 366 699.

On Friday 31 August Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday 1 September Darenth Valley Radio Society commences its weekend event for HF Field day. Details from Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Saturday 1 September Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its second Aylmers Farm field-weekend, for the final activation of the club's 50th anniversary callsign, GB5OLR. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST

Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its 2m net on 145.575MHz at 19:45 on Tuesday, and its 4m net on 70.425 MHz at 19:00 on Thursday. Contact

Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 27 August Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk on LF band operations by Tom Boucher, G3OLB. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday 27 August Riviera Amateur Radio Club is holding a portable RV. More information from Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday 27 August Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a natter night and Morse class. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday 28 August Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is having a social night at the King's Arms, AKA Dusthole, Shepton Mallet. Contact Nick, 2E0FGQ, on 01749 346 320.

On Wednesday 29 August Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 30 August Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Thursday 30 August Yeovil Amateur Radio Club is on the air and holding a committee meeting. Contact Steve Crask, G7AHP, by email to steve@g7ahp.co.uk.

On Friday 31 August Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having an an audio visual presentation on how we fooled the Germans with Radar. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES

On Thursday 30 August Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the Air on 145.500 then 145.550. Next Saturday they are participating in the Across Wales Walk. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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1612. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 20 - 26 August 2012

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
20 - 26 August 2012

Solar activity was very low until 25 and 26 August. The largest
flare of the reporting period was a C1/Sf at 25/0236 UTC from Region
1554 (N16, L=215, class/area Dsi/170 on 25 August). No coronal mass
ejections observed during the reporting period were Earth-directed.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels from 21 - 24 August. Moderate levels were observed 20
August and again from 25 - 26 August.

Geomagnetic field activity was mostly quiet to unsettled with an
isolated active period mid-day on 26 August. At the beginning of the
period, solar wind speed, measured at the ACE spacecraft, indicated
the presence of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Solar
wind decreased steadily from approximately 600 km/s to 400 km/s by
early on 22 August. Quiet to unsettled conditions were observed on
20 - 21 August. By mid-day on 24 August, the phi angle changed from
a positive to negative orientation indicating a solar sector
boundary crossing. Solar wind speed began to increase early on 25
August from approximately 400 km/s to 610 km/s as another CH HSS
moved into geoeffective position. Solar wind speed increased once
more mid-day on 26 August and ended the period around 700 km/s.
Conditions were quiet on 22 August. Conditions remained at quiet to
unsettled levels from 23 August until mid-day on 26 August as an
isolated active period was observed.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
27 August - 22 September 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels with a
slight chance for M-class activity through the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.
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The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 29 - 30 August, 09 - 10 September, 16 - 17 September, and again on 22 September due to effects from coronal hole high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet to unsettled until 15 September as a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream moves into a geoeffective position. Unsettled to active conditions are expected on 15 - 16 September. Conditions are expected to be mostly quiet to unsettled again from 17 September through 21 September. Another recurrent coronal hole high speed stream is expected to become geoeffective on 22 September causing unsettled to active conditions.

1613. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 27 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-27 16:43:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044788f79ab24c04c8420797@google.com>
Source record: 2180
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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NS0SR Railroad Mobile Special Event 2nd Annual Scenic Railroad HF Event
6 Oct 2012

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 04:38 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359221-NS0SR-Railroad-Mobile-Special-Event-2nd-Annual-Scenic-Railroad-HF-Event-6-Oct-2012&goto=newpost

Railroad Mobile HF Event will be conducted attaching a passenger coach from the Lake Superior Railroad Museum on several routes throughout the 6th of October. Contacts will be made on multiple bands and with multiple modes depending on conditions.

Routes will bring the radio crew along the North Shore of Lake Superior between Duluth and Two Harbors, MN.

A special Eqsl card will be available to confirm contacts.

Event information is available on the NS0SR QRZ page.

1614. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 27 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-27 16:50:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0444ebf7d8422104c84220d1@google.com>
Source record: 2181
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Hurricane Watch Net in operation on 14.325, adds 7.268 for additional
reports

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 09:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359160-Hurricane-Watch-Net-in-operation-on-14-325-adds-7-268-for-additional-reports&goto=newpost

The Hurricane Watch Net will continue operating today on our primary
frequency of 14.325 MHZ as tropical storm Isaac moves toward the gulf. To
take advantage of good propagation into the area, HWN will also be
operating on 7.268 MHz this afternoon. Stations in the affected area are
encouraged to report your weather conditions and monitor for updates.

As always we appreciate your courtesy, and we appreciate your reports! They
have been a big help so far.

1615. eHam.net News for Monday 27 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-27 22:11:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f6428de81e24604c8469c33@google.com>
Source record: 2182
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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All Cameras Ready For This Weekends ATV QSO Party:

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28885

The ATV QSO Party was the brainchild of Jim Linton, VK3PC initially used as a part of the 100 year celebration of Amateur radio Victoria. Jim assigned further development and implementation of the ATV QSO party idea to myself Peter VK3BFG. The ATV QSO party aims to encourage amateur TV activity and the concept is to maximise the use of amateur radio. Having said that, Skype is almost universal to most people and is a mechanism of including remote stations who are unable to access an ATV Repeater. This year there are two ATV Repeaters in use, VK3RTV in Melbourne and the W6ATN network of repeaters in Southern California.

1616. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND WORLD SEXIEST GIRLS HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-28 01:27:32 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1235ec32-e2fb-47da-9c76-854dcca06126@rq1g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2183

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in

1617. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 27 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-28 02:40:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5186f162f506904c84a5ddd@google.com>
Source record: 2184
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Back in the Day - Aug. 26, 1962 - 'We interrupt this broadcast' -
NorthJersey.com

Posted: 26 Aug 2012 10:07 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2AdxHKqPtXLaoVHXmsuqyylM_Jw&url=http://www.northjersey.com/community/history/back_in_the_day/167511225_Back_in_the_Day_-_Aug__26__1962_-__We_interrupt_this_broadcast___We_interrupt_this_broadcast_.html

Back in the Day - Aug. 26, 1962 - We interrupt this broadcast
NorthJersey.com
And, of course, anywhere outside provided there is a six-meter ham operator in the area and his transmitter and the TV set are not adequately filtered. A filter, by the way, costs $3," it was reported. Apparently TV viewers in the area often heard ...

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Area meetings and events calendar - The Daily Jeffersonian

Posted: 27 Aug 2012 10:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGy-lDwHn45AzAd0eqjfN4lMvqA9w&url=http://www.daily-jeff.com/local%2520news/2012/08/27/area-meetings-and-events-calendar

Area meetings and events calendar
The Daily Jeffersonian
Cambridge Amateur Radio Association, 6:30 p.m., in the Community Healthlink,1205 Clark St., Cambridge. The program will be on digital communications. The meeting is open to the public. Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., Christs Lutheran Church, Luther Hall, ...

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Why Ham Radio Is Still Handy - TechNewsWorld

Posted: 08 Aug 2012 05:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFlCRe-EFCtu5cnC51BL3Gf3iJV0w&url=http://www.technewsworld.com/story/Why-Ham-Radio-Is-Still-Handy-75830.html

Why Ham Radio Is Still Handy
TechNewsWorld
In New York City, a loosely organized national group called "Amateur Radio Emergency Service" (ARES) was activated within five minutes of American Flight 11 crashing into the north tower, the first attack. Private, non-government radio operators ...

1618. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 28 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-28 11:10:13 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0447890f22395204c8517c95@google.com>
Source record: 2185
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Has 2O12L broken a world record?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iIZiYLj8xiE/has%202o12l_broken_a_world_record.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The team at 2O12L, the amateur radio special event station for the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, believe that they have now broken the world record for the number of contacts by a Special Event Station

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Sharing Defence Spectrum update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GThnnCYeYo4/sharing_defence_spectrum_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In November 2011, the UK MOD published plans to share its spectrum and expressions of interest were sought, this included spectrum used by the Amateur Radio Service

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What is Ham Radio Night?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MktyYufHOV8/what_is_ham_radio_night.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Randy K7AGE visits the Sacramento area North Hills Amateur Radio Club for the annual What Is Ham Radio Night event

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Visit to G3LTF in 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L-22YG_fQlE/visit_to_g3ltf_in_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

After the recent Cambridge amateur radio EME event Ben Jockert SM6CKU visited the home of Peter Blair G3LTF and produced this video

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VooDoo in Liberia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xHdEN_pZcFQ/voodoo_in_liberia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for the VooDoo Contest Group to once again be active from here between
November 21-27th. This is their 24th straight year

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Gough Island pirate

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bIpbpfEfWug/gough_island_pirate.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Its seems the DX community has been duped on the Paul, ZD9KN, operation
from Gough Island (AF-030)

1619. eHam.net News for Tuesday 28 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-28 22:12:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044469437e81bf04c85abba1@google.com>
Source record: 2186
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Has 2O12L Broken a World Record?

Posted: 27 Aug 2012 05:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28888

The team at 2O12L, the special event station for the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, believe that they have now broken the world record for the number of contacts by a Special Event Station. It is believed the record was made by DQ2006X during the 2006 World Cup, their total made between 13 May and 16 July 2006 was 47,790 contacts. At 2142UTC on 21 August, 2O12L made contact number 47,791. The team would like to thank the thousands who have joined the pile-ups to contact 2O12L and now they look forward to hitting their overall target of 60,000 QSOs.

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Back in the Day - Aug. 26, 1962 - 'We Interrupt this Broadcast':

Posted: 27 Aug 2012 05:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28887

"Don't be amazed at the lack of a dateline on this story. Whether you reside in any part of North Jersey, the subject is probably familiar. This might be entitled 'Ham Radio and TV,'" started an article about TV viewers hearing ham radio operators through their televisions.

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CW Open Contest Sept. 1 and 2:

Posted: 27 Aug 2012 04:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28886

Are you ready for one of the most unique and fun contests on the air? If so, jump into the CW Open, organized by the CWops club\&it's three-contests-in-one.

1620. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 28 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-29 02:12:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc0c74401ba04c85e16c4@google.com>
Source record: 2187
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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North Carolina Teen Named Recipient of ARRL's 2011 Hiram Percy Maxim Award
- ARRL

Posted: 28 Aug 2012 07:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFKE7kT4puhj2hnZY_PLjB1QctsBw&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/north-carolina-teen-named-recipient-of-arrl-s-2011-hiram-percy-maxim-award

ARRL
North Carolina Teen Named Recipient of ARRLs 2011 Hiram Percy Maxim Award
ARRL
Derek first became interested in Amateur Radio after reading an article in Make Magazine. “After I read the ARRL Ham Radio License Manual, I went to the local club, the Orange County Radio Amateurs (NCOCRA) to take my Technician test,” he told the ...

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Code communicators: Amateur radio club to assist Tour de La Porte - The Herald Argus

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 08:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJeiiFP4jqo9vLKA0UfKsAYl_RqQ&url=http://heraldargus.com/articles/2012/08/24/news/local/doc5035782209c1d979443290.txt

Code communicators: Amateur radio club to assist Tour de La Porte
The Herald Argus
Phillips, radio identification KA9PGC, is currently the vice president of the La Porte County Amateur Radio Club, a non-profit organization designed to encourage interest in amateur radio operating. On Saturday, Phillips camped out with other local ...

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Map your neighborhood - Evanston Now

Posted: 28 Aug 2012 08:33 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHTIbmUYUeYhO8G3GEmVCM8nnQyng&url=http://evanstonnow.com/story/public-safety/charles-bartling/2012-08-28/51707/map-your-neighborhood

Evanston Now
Map your neighborhood
Evanston Now
The advice came from Marilyn Gardner, technical director of the Evanston

Amateur Radio Community (EARC) in a talk at the groups monthly meeting at the Fire Department Training Room on Lake Street. “Its important to map your neighborhood in advance ...

1621. The ARRL Contest Update for August 29, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-29 05:05:11 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120829041916.CBAD12485A@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2188
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The Worked All Europe contest is a great way to make some DX contacts
from North America with a novel twist - the QTC feature in which lists
of previous contacts are exchanged for extra points. Check it out on
the WAE website. There are several state QSO parties, as well -
Colorado, Tennessee, and Arkansas.

BULLETINS

Hurricane Isaac is due to make landfall on the evening of August 28th
near New Orleans. The Hurricane Watch Net <http://hwn.org> is active on
14.325 MHz with 7.268 MHz and 3.950 MHz as backup or reporting
frequencies. It may still be active through the weekend as well as
local and regional emergency nets responding to communications
emergencies. Please avoid all frequencies with emergency traffic.

BUSTED QSOS

Nothing seriously amiss was reported for the previous issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Sep 1-2
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- All-Asian DX Contest--Phone
- Russian Radio RTTY WW
- DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"
- CWops CW Open
- Colorado QSO Party
- IARU Region I Field Day--Phone
- Straight Key Party
- Tennessee QSO Party
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Sep 3)
- Labor Day Sprint--CW (Sep 3)
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Sep 4)

Sep 8-9

- ARRL September VHF Contest
- North American Sprint--CW
- 070 Club KA3X Memorial Sprint--Digital (Sep 7)
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, Digital (Sep 7)
- QCWA Fall QSO Party (Sep 7)
- Worked All Europe DX Contest--Phone
- Arkansas QSO Party
- QRP ARCI Two Sidebands Sprint--Phone
- Ohio State Parks On the Air
- SKCC Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

"Don't look back, something might be gaining on you!" so sayeth the great Satchel Paige. If that something was a solar flare, this new method of using radioactive decay rates <http://www.purdue.edu/newsroom/releases/2012/Q3/new-system-could-predict-solar-flares,-give-advance-warning.html> to predict flares could at least give you a little warning. Just 13 years ago, a huge flare <http://edn-mail.com/portal/wts/cemciv2dwd46eeeAvaAfi02hiSqw7c> had a dramatic affect on not only the ionosphere but integrated circuits so the ability to look ahead for the effects of solar neutrinos can pay big benefits right here on Earth.

Times Microwave <http://www.timesmicrowave.com/> (Wallingford, CT) has been announced as the supplier of feed line for WRTC2014 <http://www.wrtc2014.org/>, donating the necessary cable for all WRTC stations. Station Committee leader, Mark Pride K1RX, notes "It is mind boggling to realize that the 59 WRTC stations will need almost 6 miles of coax cable. The support of Times Microwave is a tremendous help in our efforts to equip each station with first-rate materials and stay within our budget." Times LMR®-400 cable will be used for the low-loss feed line to the Cycle 24 <http://www.cycle-24.com/> model TX38 tribander. LMR®-240 cable will be used for the 80 meter and 40 meter dipoles. WRTC2014 Chairman, Doug Grant, K1DG says, "We are very pleased to have the support of a New England company for this critical station component. It is a great example of companies in the local community

coming together to help make WRTC2014 successful." Robert Perelman, Director, Commercial Sales and Marketing at Times Microwave Systems, explained the decision to be involved with WRTC2014, "This is a great opportunity to demonstrate the quality and value of our products to the Amateur Radio community in such a prestigious event." (Thanks, WRTC2014 Co-Chair, Randy K5ZD)

Contest Club Finland <http://www.contestclubfinland.com/CCF/>
PileUP! magazine's latest issue is out and includes a number of thought provoking articles on the future of contesting, contest ethics, and a historical review of the first six WRTC events. (Thanks, Editor-in Charge, Timo OH1NOA/OJ0M)

The CW Open <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html> contest has been moved to the coming weekend (Sep 1-2) and has added support for live contest score reporting on the On-line Contest Score Server! <http://cqcontest.ru/> website. Al AD6E reports, "Dmitri RW4WM has graciously added "CWOPS-CWOPEN" as a (supported) contest... (it) should work with N1MM and TR4W. WinTest and Writelog are not compatible at this point." During supported contests, anyone can watch the scores pile up in near real time on Dmitri's website.

The article "Plug-and-Play Satellites <http://spectrum.ieee.org/aerospace/satellites/us-air-forces-plugandplay-satellites>" in the August issue of IEEE Spectrum discusses the new small-satellite architecture. This modular approach enables a much wider range of organizations to participate in satellite technology. The article also includes the CubeSats that frequently incorporate Amateur Radio for control, telemetry, or communication.

A great example of John Troster W6ISQ's legendary wit appeared in the September issue of the Potomac Valley Radio Club newsletter <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/sep12.pdf>, entitled "Beat PVRC...But Not Too Badly". Searching for W6ISQ articles in the online QST archives available to ARRL members will turn up many of his articles - both technical and funny-bone tickling.

The dates of the Classic Exchange <http://www.classicexchange.org> antique radio contests have been swapped in September since the QST column was published - the phone weekend is now Sep 16-17 and the CW weekend Sep 23-24. Since these rigs can take a while to warm up and stabilize, we thought you might want to get started in plenty of time! (Thanks, Ron K2RP)

QST Managing Editor, Joel Kleinman N1BKE <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-qst-em-managing-editor-joel-kleinman-n1bke-sk-updated>, died from injuries sustained in a house fire on August 18th. Joel managed a lot of competing interests to make QST consistently readable and enjoyable to ARRL members. As reported in the Record-Journal story <http://www.myrecordjournal.com/meriden/article_cbe2f47e-eac4-11e1-9dc3-001a4bcf887a.html> on this tragedy, ARRL Publishing Manager Steve Ford said, "He was the quiet man behind the scenes, shouldering much of the burden that comes

with creating 164 pages of new content every month. Joel set a high standard for all who may follow him."

Web Site of the Week - If a favorite website seems to be gone, offline, reworked, or you just plain forgot how to find it, the Wayback Machine <http://archive.org/> is your friend. The Internet Archive organization's goal is to capture and store everything - text, graphics, music, anything that existed in digital format online. Be careful as you can spend hours in the "stacks"! (Thanks, Derward KD5WWI)

WORD TO THE WISE

Unique - when you get your log checking report and it shows a call in your log as "unique" it means that the log-checking software was unable to find any other log claiming a contact with that call nor could it determine conclusively that it was miscopied. Most contests give full credit for contacts with unique call signs although most of the them are too badly miscopied to cross-reference.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Tim N6WIN has published a webpage for the K6Z 2011 California QSO Party Multi-Multi County Expedition <http://www.n6win.com/index_files/CQP2011.htm> to Inyo County, California. An all time new record was set for the category, beating the old record set in 1999 by over 200k points. Pictures, station description, link to the 3830 write up, and final results after log checking are included. The CQP is coming up at the beginning of October.

I guess a lightning strike webpage counts as "sights and sounds" - if you're close enough! Several websites about lightning were contributed as inspiration struck last week:

- Strikestar <http://www.strikestarus.com/>
- Vaisala STRIKEnet <http://thunderstorm.vaisala.com/explorer.html>
- TOGA Network Global Lightning Map <http://wwlln.net/TOGA_network_global_maps.htm>
- Intellicast <http://www.intellicast.com/Storm/Severe/Lightning.aspx>
- StormVue <http://rochesterweather.myserver.org/StormVue.html>

Lots of these sites have more to look at then lightning, as well...what's that I hear? (Thanks, Jim W1FMR, Bud W2RU, Paul WB2ABD)

This video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HB7e4YC6vg8> demonstrates that there is no power greater than sibling rivalry. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

On August 15, 1977, the "Big Ear" antenna at Ohio State University, now decommissioned, detected the "Wow!" signal <http://www.edn.com/electronics-blogs/other/4394137/Big-Ear-receives--Wow--Signal--August-15--1977?cid=EDNToday>.
Even today, we are still unsure whether the signal was of

extraterrestrial origins.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X checks in with an update from Newington. "Certificates for the 2011 ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest were shipped on Monday, 20 August. The next contest awards to be processed will be the 2011 September VHF Contest and the 2011 ARRL EME Competition. The log submission deadline for the 2012 IARU contest has passed and log checking is now in full swing. The Contest Branch is now preparing for the 2012 Sweepstakes. Sweepstakes Manager, Larry K5OT is working the field to ensure every op that's interested will be QRV for the November event. Speaking of Sweepstakes, the 2011 SS plaques have been ordered! Once they arrive from the engraver (about 6 weeks or so), we'll begin shipping them out. Sweepstakes certificates aren't far behind, either, and like all of the other contest awards we've issued this year, the Sweepstakes certificate has been redesigned. We hope you like 'em.

From the CQ World Wide Contest Direct, Bob K3EST, "The *official, corrected* *final results <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/index_cq_contests.html>* for the *SSB *CQ WW contest are now posted on the CQ magazine website. The *official, corrected final results* for the *CW* CQ WW contest will be posted on the CQ magazine website to coincide with the release of the September digital edition, on or around September 1, 2012. [The CW results <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_ww_dx_contest/cq_ww_dx_cw_contest/2011_cq_ww_dx_cw_contest/2011_cq_ww_dx_cw_contest.pdf> are now available - Ed.] *The **official, corrected UBN/NIL SSB and CW reports* *are now available**at CQWW.com <http://cqww.com/>* (*NO new passwords are required*)." I think he *means* it!

The results of the 2011 Radio Amateurs of Canada, Canada Winter Contest <http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/files/RAC%20Canada%20Winter%20Contet%202012%20Writeup%20V1.1.pdf%20> have been posted online. (Thanks, RAC Canada Winter Contest Manager, Sam VE5SF)

The results of the 2012 Minnesota QSO Party <http://www.w0aa.org/> have been published on the Minnesota Wireless Association home page. Participation was just a wee bit up but nevertheless at an all time high with some incredibly close races in several categories. We had quite a few in-state and out-of-state multi-operator efforts including some special event call signs; resulting in some obviously enjoyable group events. An article from Kenny K2KW is included, offering his insights on how he approached MNQP as a first timer and he was a category winner. (Thanks, Mark WA0MHJ)

The results of the 2012 DRCG Long Distance Contest - LDC RTTY <http://drcg.de/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=138&Itemid=93> are online and certificates can be downloaded from the same web page.

(Thanks, LDC Contest Director, Goetz DJ3IW and Bernd DC3HB, DRCG Contest Manager)

OPERATING TIP

Your logging software may have some sample message or macro files to ease the process of configuring the program for a new contest. For example, in the recent ARRL Rookie Roundup RTTY <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> contest, Larry K8UT created some function key messages aimed at the newcomer - both to RTTY contesting and to the Rookie Roundup, specifically. There are files for both N1MM <http://n1mm.hamdocs.com/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId=23> and Writelog <http://writelog.com/downloads/third-party>. Your editor made good use of these for both reasons! The use of the files in N1MM has been added to N4ZR's "Quick Start <http://n1mm.hamdocs.com/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId=3>" guide to N1MM, as well. Check around on the home page for your software or ask fellow club members if they might have some files to help get you started.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Up, up, and away! Steve NU7T has collected sources of extendable and fixed antenna support poles <http://web1.greatbasin.net/%7Enu7t/> from a few feet to 65 feet and up. You will be amazed at the variety and resourcefulness of what can be used to hang a skyhook!

Troubleshooting is hard enough without having to follow 10-mil (or smaller) PCB traces under and around other components. This Instructables project <http://www.instructables.com/id/How-To-Quickly-Find-And-Trace-PCB-Tracks-1/> shows you how to put your finger right on the desired trace!

Everybody can get in on geomagnetic field measuring - all you need is this handy proton precession magnetometer <http://www.edn.com/design/analog/4392193/Geomagnetic-observatory?cid=Newsletter+-+EDN+on+Analog>!
It's actually quite buildable - did I hear someone say, "Science project!"? From the EDN description, "This article describes a proton precession magnetometer (PPM) for monitoring the Earth's magnetic field...By measuring very small changes in the Earth's magnetic field, one can also observe the diurnal variation of the geomagnetic field, typically on the order of tens of nano Tesla. Larger changes in the geomagnetic field are often related to solar activity. The Sun can send out massive amounts of charged particles as a Coronal Mass Ejection (CME)." Kind of a seismograph for the ionosphere!

Gregg W6IZT has a good way of using inexpensive plastic "dog bone" insulators to hold up Beverages and other low horizontal wires. "I use a bolt that has a machine screw thread on one end and a wood screw thread on the other (available at hardware stores). Drill the end of the dog bone to accept the machine thread and thread the wood screw

into a post, tree or whatever."

When you are trying to disassemble triband Yagi traps and find the manufacturer has "dimpled" them to secure the cover in place, John G3JVC/GM3JVC turns to the advice of Ron GW3YDX. "Drill out the dimples, taking care not to drill into the internal concentric plastic insulator of the traps. Then by using blocks of wood and applying gentle force, slide the traps apart without resorting to bending the contact strip between the element and the outer cover of the trap, and thereby risking its fracture.."

"CQ 10 centimeters, CQ 10 centimeters..." Two articles in Popular Science <http://www.popsci.com/technology/article/2012-08/new-room-temperature-masing-method-could-make-masers-more-common-lasers> and Nature <http://www.nature.com/news/microwave-laser-fulfills-60-years-of-promise-1.11199> describe a room-temperature MASER (Microwave Amplification by the Stimulated Emission of Radiation) built 60 years after the first MASERs were constructed. It won't be long until these find their way into the ham shack - probably of VHF+ contesters trying for a few extra grids!

Gene AD3F's Trylon tower has angle steel legs, making securing cables to the leg a breeze. "To attach (the cables) to the tower I wrapped a single length of #12 solid insulated house wire around the coax bundle, twisted it a couple of times, then ran a wire end through a pre-drilled hole and twisted both ends together. With this method I can re-enter the bundle to change or add cables, then reseal a few more times before I have to replace the wire."

Bonding coax shields to a tower at top and bottom is good practice for preventing lightning damage but doing so without an expensive grounding kit or letting water into the braid is not simple. Dick WC1M suggests this procedure: "It consists of a long UHF barrel connector with a metal spring clamp (a U-shaped piece of metal) tightly wrapped around the middle and screwed down. The other end of the spring clamp is screwed to a ground rod clamp large enough to go around a tower leg. The interface between the barrel connector and the metal clamp is waterproofed with coax seal and tape. I cut the feed line to the antenna near the fitting, attach PL-259 connectors to each free end, screw them into the barrel connector, and waterproof."

Here's another handy cheap-and-effective project that uses a single hex inverter IC <http://www.edn.com/design/test-and-measurement/4391393/Single-hex-inverter-IC-makes-four-test-gadgets?cid=Newsletter+-+EDN+Design+Ideas> to make four different test gadgets!

Technical Web Site of the Week - The podcast "Chat With the Designers <https://dl.dropbox.com/u/43021514/CWTD/TeamspeakChat.html>" often has a lot of good material to share. For example the last two "issues" on troubleshooting are sub-titled, "Basic guidance on troubleshooting

circuits that should be working ... but are not." I think we all have a few of those. There are more than 30 other podcasts available!

==> CONVERSATION

Accounting for Technology

Much is made lately about the problems created by too many stations pouncing on a high-precision spot at once. Even highly skilled operators find the ensuing blur of zero-beat signals impossible to unravel quickly. Without a reliable rhythm, the callers get increasingly out of sync until no one can hear the CQing station or the answering station and the whole pileups dissolves in chaos. Rate for everyone falls to zero and that's no fun! This has always been a problem with 'phone operation since the voices are all spread across the same spectrum but now it's an issue with CW and RTTY contesting, too.

We have an embarrassment of riches - radios with master oscillators accurate to plus or minus 10 Hz, worldwide spotting networks distributing spotting information in milliseconds to thousands of stations, and automated decoders using sophisticated signal processing to simultaneously translate hundreds of transmissions. Not to mention effective antennas and receivers and transmitters enabling us to hear and call stations around the world. These are the right problems to have! But they are still problems. Technology isn't going to go away (hopefully) and participation in radiosport of nearly all types is up so how do we manage the problem of "too many, too close"? By changing our strategies and tactics.

We've talked about this problem from the search-and-pounce perspective before. You probably can't count on jumping on a spot before anybody else - the information is basically available instantaneously everywhere there is Internet connectivity. i.e. - 95% of contest stations. With modern radios, you can't count on being the most accurate because everyone will be transmitting within 100 Hz of the frequency in the spot. Unless you have an RBS (Really Big Station) or you probably won't be much louder than the rest of the pileup on a consistent basis, either.

Your strategy has to be "stand out in the crowd" and the tactics available to you are timing and pitch, just as they have always been. Call a little behind everybody else: not so much that you cover up the CQing station but enough so that a letter or two sticks out. QNY - spread out! On phone - maybe a few hundred hertz. On CW - one or two hundred hertz. I'm not sure what works on digital! Hit 'em where they ain't, said Hall of Famer Wee Willie Keeler. Who knew he was a contester, too!

If you are a CQing station, just being loud isn't enough anymore, you have to worry about workability, too. To be sure, "alligators" have always been with us - a loud station with an operator not up to the

task of unwinding a big pileup. It's just that technology has amplified and spread the problem. Previously, being loud also generally meant being workable. Now the CQing station has to actively manage the zero-beat issue. (This is not just a problem for rare stations - even garden-variety stations can experience it, particularly when they are "fresh meat" on a band.)

It is often said that the optimum size pileup is one station calling: no interference, no disruption, one caller with every CQ. Somewhere between that elusive optimum and chaos lies a manageable pileup. If your pileups are packed too tightly, think about how to limit the number of callers that will come to your frequency or figure out how to get them to call across a small range of frequencies. There isn't much you can do about operators posting spots to your station but if automated spots are causing trouble, think about how you can operate to minimize being detected by the decoders - not sending CQ, just your call sign, for example. Combined with occasional small shifts in transmit frequency, that may spread the pileup just enough keep things moving. This is just one of many possible techniques.

What about a station that is not loud - such as on a long or particularly difficult path? A DXpedition will operate split when pileups are large or signals are weak. This generally isn't a desirable option during contests, but sometimes there may be no other way to work stations. If you have to, you have to - just try not to clobber somebody else's run frequency and do it only when you feel you have no other choice.

The point is not to write a manual for operating with big pileups. The point is that we are going to have to accommodate new technology by devising operating strategies and tactics that account for that new technology. It's not enough to demand that other operators behave as if there wasn't any new technology - and you won't be successful anyway. Bright, savvy operators are already thinking and planning for it.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

North American Sprint-- CW, from Sep 9, 0000Z to Sep 9, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Call signs, serial, name, and state. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

All-Asian DX Contest-- Phone, from Sep 1, 0000Z to Sep 2, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS, operator age (YL may send 00). Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.jarl.or.jp/English>

Russian Radio RTTY WW-- Digital, from Sep 1, 0000Z to Sep 1, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and oblast or WAZ zone. Logs due: Oct 1. Rules <http://www.radio.ru/cq/contest/rule-results/index2.shtml>

DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"-- Digital, from Sep 1, 1100Z to Sep 1, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport>

CWops CW Open-- CW, from Sep 1, 1200Z - multiple operating periods - see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial and name. Logs due: Sep 20. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html>

Colorado QSO Party-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 1, 1200Z to Sep 2, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: CW--50 kHz above band edge; Phone--1.870, 3.850, 7.250, 14.250, 21.350, 28.450. Exchange: Call sign, name, and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 5. Rules <http://www.ppraa.org/coqp>

IARU Region I Field Day-- Phone, from Sep 1, 1300Z to Sep 2, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 16 days. Rules - see IARU Society web pages

Straight Key Party-- CW, from Sep 1, 1300Z to Sep 1, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 7. Exchange: RST, serial, category, name, age. Logs due: Sep 30. Rules <http://www.agcw.de/>

Tennessee QSO Party-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 2, 1800Z to Sep 3, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies: See website. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 3. Rules <http://www.tnqp.org/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest-- Phone, CW, from Sep 3, 1600Z - multiple operating periods - see website. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

Labor Day Sprint-- CW, from Sep 3, 2300Z to Sep 4, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, MI QRP nr or power. Logs due: Oct 5. Rules <http://miqrp.org/>

ARS Spartan Sprint-- CW, from Sep 4, 0200Z to Sep 4, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies: Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

070 Club KA3X Memorial Sprint-- Digital, from Sep 7, 8 PM to Sep 8, 2 AM. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Frequencies: 3.580. Exchange: Call sign, RST and S/P/C. Logs due: Sep 21. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints-- CW, Digital, from Sep 7, 0200Z to Sep 7, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Every Thursday evening (local). Exchange:

Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/>

QCWA Fall QSO Party-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 7, 1800Z to Sep 8, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: Call sign, year lic'd, name, chptr or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.qcwa.org/qso-party.htm>

Worked All Europe DX Contest-- Phone, from Sep 8, 0000Z to Sep 9, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://waedc.de/>

Arkansas QSO Party-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 8, 1400Z to Sep 9, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 144, Frequencies: CW--40 kHz above band edge; Phone--3.85, 7.18, 14.28, 21.38, 28.38, 146.55; PSK31--3.58, 7.08, 14.07015, 21.08, 28.08. Exchange: RS(T), county or S/P or "DX". Logs due: Oct 10. Rules <http://www.arkanhams.org/>

QRP ARCI Two Sidebands Sprint-- Phone, from Sep 8, 1500Z to Sep 10, 0300Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: S/P/C and ARCI member nr or power. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

Ohio State Parks On the Air-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 8, 1600Z to Sep 8, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50, Frequencies: CW--45 kHz above band edge;Phone--3.825,7.200,14.250,21.300,28.450,50.145. Exchange: "Ohio" or S/P/DX and Park ID. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://parks.portcars.org/>

SKCC Straight Key Weekend Sprintathon-- CW, from Sep 9, 0000Z to Sep 9, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, member nr if member. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL September VHF Contest-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 8, 1800Z to Sep 10, 0259Z. Bands (MHz): 50+. Exchange: Grid square. Logs due: Oct 10. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

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chptr or S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules
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<http://parks.portcars.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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- August 31 - Venezuelan Ind. Day Contest
<http://www.radioclubvenezolano.org/rules.htm>
- August 31 - US Counties QSO Party <http://marac.org/contests.htm>
- September 1 - North American QSO Party, SSB
<http://www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>
- September 1 - CQ Worldwide VHF Contest
<http://www.cqww-vhf.com/rules.htm>
- September 1 - Portugal Day Contest
<http://www.rep.pt/portugal_day_contest/rules.html>
- September 1 - TARA Grid Dip Shindig
<http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_grid_rules.html>
- September 2 - SARL HF CW Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- September 3 - SCC RTTY Championship
<http://lea.hamradio.si/scc/rtty/rttyrules.htm>
- September 4 - ARRL UHF Contest <http://www.arrl.org/august-uhf>
- September 9 - QRP ARCI Welcome to QRP
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8397/118/>
- September 11 - Maryland-DC QSO Party
<http://mdcqsoparty.w3vpr.org/Documents/MarylandQSOPartyRules2011v2.pdf>

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1622. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 29 August 2012

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Lancastery NY Fall September Hamfest!

Posted: 27 Aug 2012 04:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359358-Lancastery-NY-Fall-September-Hamfest!&goto=newpost

Lancaster, NY Hamfest

Sunday - September 9, 2012

Bowen Road Grove $5.00 admission and free tailgating

Web Site- http://gbhamfest.hamgate.net/

Hamfest Sponsored by: The Lancaster Amateur Radio Club

1623. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 29 August 2012

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Hamfest Talk shows Invisible Surprises

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With a forgotten technology first used by Marconi , Chip Cohen W1YW,
brought Marconi's 'metamaterials' to a whole new level - he made them do a
disappearing act

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ARISS ham radio contact planned with school in Germany

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u8AD0twfG94/ariss_event_3108.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday August 31, 2012 at 11.23 UTC, which is 13.23 CEST, an Amateur
Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact is planned with
Megina Gymnasium Mayen, Germany

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RSGB PLT video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8JPDBZ41KQc/rsgb_plt_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A short video demonstrating and highlighting the effects of unwanted radio
emissions from PLA / PLC / PLT devices

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Morse Classes at Danbury Essex

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The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding Morse Code
classes at Danbury starting Thursday, August 30, 2012

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Newspaper highlights use of Morse Code

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0n5_1blj44E/newspaper_highlights_use_of_morse_code.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Herald Argus reports that members of the La Porte County Amateur Radio Club in Indiana used Morse Code during International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

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Better than sex

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Henry Lundell VK2ZHE points us all to the Monday 20th of August edition of The Sydney Morning Herald where he spotted a report on the 15th International EME Conference held in Cambridge in the UK

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Harry Heap G5HF SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ytD4tgsDU2M/harry_heap_g5hf_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Harry Heap G5HF, President of the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) until October 2010, passed away August 27 aged 95

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ZL2BHX in the press

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The Manawatu Standard reports on radio amateur Jim Vernon ZL2BHX who has been involved in the hobby for 56 years

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Australian local radio stations give ILLW good coverage

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ABC Local Radio stations throughout Australia did a great job publicising the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

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Jumanji contest station active for CQWW DX SSB

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WHL7croeM0Y/jumanji_contest_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the DX Colombia Amateur Radio Club and some Argentinian operators will activate the 'Jumanji Contest Station' as HK1NA during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th)

1624. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-050E - Revocation of Volunteer Examiner Qualifications

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2012-08-28

Over the past several months, the Radio Amateurs of Canada has been investigating reports of possible exam irregularities. Industry Canada has been asked to investigate some of these irregularities and take action where appropriate.

Today, the Radio Amateurs of Canada announces that the volunteer examiner qualifications of VA3MPM have been revoked. Effective immediately, Mr. Myers will no longer be able to administer the examination of new amateurs. The revocation was made following an investigation by Industry Canada in conjunction with several Amateurs in the Ottawa region. Details on any alleged irregularities will not be released.

The club to which Mr. Myers provided examination services has nominated a new examiner. That examiner has been interviewed by Industry Canada and has received approval to act as a volunteer examiner. RAC congratulates the replacement examiner for volunteering to provide service to the Amateur community to ensure examination services continue to remain available.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada are committed to ensuring the enforcement of Amateur Radio related regulations Canada wide. These regulations ensure the qualify of Amateur Operators for emergency operations, ensure spectrum efficiency and exist to govern our service in a fair and open manner. The over whelming majority of Amateur Operators operate within these regulations for the benefit of all. RAC places a priority on ensuring Amateurs and Non-Amateurs respect and abide by these regulations. We note that several other investigations are continuing.

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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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CW Open contest Sept. 1 and 2

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 05:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359510-CW-Open-contest-Sept-1-and-2&goto=newpost

Second Annual CW Open contest THIS WEEKEND!

Are you ready for one of the most unique and fun contests on the air? If
so, jump into the CW Open, organized by the CWops club it□s
three-contests-in-one!

Like most contests, the goal is to work as many stations as possible (in
this case CW stations only). Each station may be worked once per band.

Unlike other contests, however, in the CW Open there are three separate
competitions at three separate times -- each is called a "session". You
can enter one, two or all three of these sessions. Each session is scored
separately. For those who enter more than one session, there is also a
multiple-session category that combines all your session scores into one
grand total score. So, if you enter 2 or 3 sessions you will be competing
in each individual session plus the multiple-session category. More chances
to win!

Join us for as many sessions as you can make.

Session 1
September 1
1200-1559Z

Session 2
September 1
2000-2359Z

Session 3
September 2
0400-0759Z

The exchange is easy: just a serial number and your name.

Is it fun? Here□s what some of last year□s contestants said:

□A fun, new way to contest. Many thanks to the organizers!□ - AE6Y

☐Running QRP 5W from IC-7400 to a trap vertical. First time in this contest. Very enjoyable pace. Look forward to next year. ☐ G6CSY

☐Good traffic and very quick ops. Hats off .See all you next year. Ciao.☐ - IK0HBN

☐Enjoyed every minute and looking forward to next year! 73.☐ ☐ KA3DRR

Awards: (Sponsored by ICOM America)

Trophy for 1st place in each time period.Plaque for 1st place in each power level in each time periodTrophy for over all combined score of all three time periods.Plaque for 1st place for each power level in the combined score group.(Note: if the same entrant wins multiple awards, they may be combined).Certificates for achieving more than 100 QSOs in any or all time periods.

For more information, and full rules, go to:
http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html

73 de Ed, KR3E ☐ CWops #133

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Ellis Island - Special Event...

Posted: 28 Aug 2012 09:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359491-Ellis-Island-Special-Event&goto=newpost

ELLIS ISLAND, NEW YORK HARBOR: Nutley Amateur Radio Society, W2GLQ, 1300Z Sept 15 to 2100Z Sept 16.

Ellis Island National Park, historically known as an immigration center between 1892 & 1954; estimated 16 million immigrants passed thru this station. 40- 10 meters. General Portions of the bands.

QSL direct via KD2C, C/O Nutley ARS or BUREAU. Send SASE for USA. All Dx send $1.00 or New IRC

1626. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 29 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-29 16:14:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5161c47d096db04c869d731@google.com>
Source record: 2193
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-239 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 27 Aug 2012 07:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359296-ANS-239-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

ans-editor at amsat.org

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

August 26, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

BID: $ANS-239.01

AMSAT 2012 Space Symposium On-Line Registration Opens

AMSAT announces that the registration for the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium, to be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th is now open on-line. A mail-in option is also available those preferring this approach.

See the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration - then click on the "AMSAT 2012 Symposium" item in the top left box on your web browser.

Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page.

Prices for the Symposium are:

Symposium Registration including Proceedings

Through September 23, 2012: $ 45.00Starting September 24, 2012: $ 50.00At the Door: $ 55.00
Saturday Evening Banquet $ 45.00Sunday Morning Area Coordinators☐ Breakfast $ 15.00Monday (Oct 29) bus trip to KSC and entrance ticket $ 100.00

The Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet-Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

The Symposium Hotel is the Holiday Inn at Orlando-International Airport is located one mile from the Orlando International Airport (MCO). The AMSAT discount rate is $99 + taxes per night. The reservation block code used when calling the hotel directly is AMT.

The hotel telephone number is 407-851-6400. The Symposium Committee recommends you make reservations by calling the hotel directly ratherthan through the Web. Cutoff date for reservations is Oct 6, 2012. A link to the hotel web page is available here.

The hotel offers free Internet connection and free airport shuttle. When you arrive at the Orlando Airport call 407-709-5310 to request the shuttle.

The Orlando International Airport (MCO) is the closest to the Symposium and is served by most major air carriers. The hotel address is: 5750 T.G. Lee Blvd ☐ Orlando, FL 32822. A map link is included on the hotel web page.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

AMSAT 2012 Space Symposium Second Call for Papers

Symposium Proceedings Editor, Dan Schultz, N8FGV issued the second Call For Papers for the 2012 AMSAT Annual Meeting and Space Symposium to be held in Orlando, Florida on the weekend of October 26-28, 2012.

Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community:

Papers for publication in the ProceedingsSymposium PresentationsPoster PresentationsEquipment and Operating Demonstrations

Dan requests a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be submitted by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings. Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv@amsat.org

The Symposium Committee still has prime slots available on the speaker's schedule. The AMSAT Symposium depends on YOU to make it happen, without speakers there is no Symposium.

Please consider doing a presentation, even if you have never done so in the past. We are especially interested in papers and presentations involving our educational partnerships with K-12 and university level classrooms. Education is quickly becoming critical for our future rides to space.

[ANS thanks 2012 Symposium Proceedings Editor Dan Schultz, N8FGV for the above information]

Rooms Still Available for AMSAT-UK Colloquium

AMSAT-UK Hon Sec Jim List, G3WGM says, "There are still rooms available at the hotel at which the AMSAT-UK Colloquium will be held on September 14, 15 and 16. The location of the Colloquium is at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, Surry, UK. TO BE SURE OF A ROOM AT THE HOTEL YOU SHOULD BOOK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO AVOID DISSAPPOINTMENT!"

The Colloquium is a truly international event and will include:

New this year will be guided tours of the new SSTL satellite construction facility, the Kepler Building, including a view of the clean rooms. This facility has been open less than a year, and is hugely impressive! Numbers on the tours are limited and strictly first come first served basis. Detailed timings to follow.Presentations by experts from AMSAT-SA, AMSAT-NA and AMSAT-DL on their current spacecraft projects.CubeSat presentations on UKube-1, STRaND-1, STRaND-2 and, of course the FUNcube-1 project.We will be including an exclusive roundup of a number of new live and potential spacecraft projects that are under investigation and/or development.Additionally a number of presentations are planned covering new communications techniques and similar futuristic topics.Plus all the usual networking opportunities, the gala dinner and auction/raffle, plus the opportunity to operate the sophisticated groundstation in the GB4FUN mobile demonstration module.

Exclusive New Product Launch at AMSAT-UK Colloquium

AMSAT-UK are delighted to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB, will be present at the Colloquium this year and will be launching a new "FUNcube Dongle PRO-PLUS" during his presentation.

Full technical details have been embargoed until his talk and we are not permitted to steal his thunder by releasing further details of this new product in advance. Attendees at the Colloquium will therefore be the first to learn about Howard's latest development which will further advance the

applications for SDR devices.

Further details are at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/9565#more-9565 - and

at - http://www.uk.amsat.org/colloquium/twelve.

You can book online using PayPal or Credit Card at:

http://shop.amsat.org.uk/shop/catalog/browse

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK Hon Sec Jim List, G3WGM and Trevor, M5AKA for the above information]

Successful ARISS Contacts With Australia and Japan

An ARISS contact was held with students at the Kangaroo Inn Area School in Kangaroo Inn, South Australia on Tuesday, August 14 via station W6SRJ in California. ISS astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB participated in the session, answering over 20 questions posed by the students. Nearly 90 visitors attended the event, including local

politician Mitch Williams and his wife, the ABC (Australian Broadcasting Corporation) radio network, WIN 8 regional TV and representatives from three newspapers. The contact complemented a science curriculum covering space and space exploration.

On Thursday, August 16, an ARISS contact was held between students attending Wada Elementary School in Nagawa Town, Japan and Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, aboard the Space Station, which highlighted a comprehensive education plan covering space, astronomy and radio com-munications. The event drew an audience of approximately 120 students and guests and garnered extensive media coverage including six television stations and five newspapers.

US East Coast ARISS Contact September 1

An ARISS contact with the National Electronics Museum, Linthicum, Maryland is planned for Saturday, September 1 at 15:09:11 UTC. This 42° elevation pass with a direct contact via K3CUJ should be heard along the US East Coast on the 145.800 MHz downlink.

[ANS thanks Carol Jackson, KB3LKI, and Charlie Sufana, AJ9N for the above information]

South Africa University CubeSat With HF Beacon to Launch in November

South African Radio League, SARL News reports that a new CubeSat designed and built by students at the Cape Peninsular University of Technology in Bellville will be launched towards the end of November.

Known by its engineering name ZACube-1, the satellite will be shipped in the next few weeks to Holland where it will be integrated with two other CubeSats in the launch carrier before being shipped for integrating with the DNEPR rocket, joining up to 18 other amateur radio satellites on this launch. (See: http://www.uk.amsat.org/7717)

ZACube-1 carries a HF transmitter operating on 14.099 MHz which will be used for characterization of Hermanus Magnetic Observatory□s Dual Auroral Radar Network antenna at SANAE base in Antarctica.

Also aboard ZACube-1 will be a small camera and a telemetry transmitter. Monitor this link at SARL for the audio of an interview with the satellite's project leader. SA AMSAT has also posted detailed news on-line.

The IARU Amateur Satellite Frequency Coordination Panel list these frequencies:

Beacon 14.099 MHzUplink 145.860 MHzDownlink 437.345 MHz

[ANS thanks SA AMSAT, SARL, and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Mars Landing Received Signals Recording Posted On-Line

An interesting article posted at UniverseToday.com tells more of the technical details of the Entry, Descent, Landing (EDL) phase when the Curiosity Mars Rover landed on Mars. The article also provides a link to the X-band radio signals received during landing.

With a 14 minute radio delay because of the distance between Earth and Mars, how did the JPL team know what was happening on Mars?

UniverseToday describes the signaling process between Mars and Earth: (http://tinyurl.com/MarsEDLTones - universetoday.com)

"The Mars Science Lander sent out different tones for each event that happened, and 128 distinct tones indicated when steps in the process were activated; one sound indicated the parachute deployed, while another signaled that the vehicle was in powered flight, and still another that the Sky Crane had been activated. These sounds were a series of basic, special individual radio tones.

They were simple tones, transmitted in X-band, comparable to semaphore codes, rather than full telemetry. The Deep Space Network listened for these direct-to-Earth transmissions. However, Earth went out of view of the spacecraft, "setting" below the Martian horizon, partway through the descent, so the X-band tones were not available for confirming the final steps in descent and landing. By then, the bent-pipe relay of telemetry via the Odyssey spacecraft had begun.

Also listening was the Mars Express spacecraft. It recorded about 20 minutes of the rover□s transmissions and tones. ESA engineers have now put together an audio reproduction, compressing the 20 minutes into about 19 seconds of audio that humans can hear that are a "faithful reproduction of the □sound□ of the NASA mission□s arrival at Mars and its seven-minute plunge to the Red Planet□s surface," the European Space Agency team wrote. You can listen to the MP3 audio on this link.

[ANS thanks UniverseToday.com for the above information]

Check Your Keps - ISS Orbit Successfully Readjusted

Space-Travel.com reported on August 22that Europe's ATV-3 unmanned supply spacecraft has raised the International Space Station's orbit to about 261 miles.

The successful orbital readjustment follows a failed attempt August 15 when the ATV-3's engines shut down prematurely because of an increase in temperature on one of the units, leaving the ISS short of its intended orbital height, RIA Novosti reported.

The orbit adjustment Wednesday was done in two stages, with the ATV-3 engines firing for 348 seconds to lift the orbit to 257 miles followed by another burn four hours later that brought the space station to its final altitude.

The maneuver was to prepare for the return to earth of Russia's Soyuz TMA-04M manned spacecraft on September 17 and the docking of the Soyuz TMA-06M manned spacecraft with the ISS on October 15.

Original news item published at: http://tinyurl.com/ISS-Reboost (www.space-travel.com)

[ANS thanks Spece-Travel.com for the above information]

Help Wanted: AMSAT News Service Rotating Editor Positions Available

The AMSAT News Service (ANS) is responsible for researching, writing, editing, and publishing the weekly amateur satellite news bulletins.

After the passing of Dee, NB2F, we currently have a two editors who take a turn weekly to publish the bulletins. With the addition of a volunteer, or two, this would generally involve taking a turn about every 3 to 4 weeks.

At present we a looking for interested satellite enthusiasts to join the ANS editorial team. Professional writing/editing experience is NOT a requirement. Your interest and enthusiasm in following and reporting on amateur radio in space will get you started! The ANS Editor team helps each other by rounding up items of interest. Plus we receive submitted items for publication ... so you won't be left all alone!

If you can commit to working on the bulletins for a week on a rotating basis please reply via e-mail to AMSAT News Service Editor JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM via k9jkm@amsat.org.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Vice-President User Services, Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

NASA Announces SpaceX Cargo Missions to ISS Begin in October

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. - NASA Administrator Charles Bolden announced Thursday [August 23, 2012] new milestones in the nation's commercial space initiatives from the agency's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The latest advances made by NASA's commercial space partners pave the way for the first contracted flight of cargo to the International Space Station (ISS) this fall and mark progress toward a launch of astronauts from U.S. soil in the next 5 years.

Bolden announced Space Exploration Technologies (SpaceX) has completed its Space Act Agreement with NASA for Commercial Orbital Transportation Services (COTS). SpaceX is scheduled to launch the first of its 12 contracted cargo flights to the space station from Cape Canaveral in October, under NASA's Commercial Resupply Services Program.

Through the COTS program, NASA provides investments to stimulate the American commercial space industry. As part of its COTS partnership, SpaceX became the first commercial company to resupply the space station in May, successfully launching its Falcon 9 rocket and Dragon spacecraft to the orbiting complex. During the historic mission, the Dragon was captured by astronauts using the station's robot arm, unloaded and safely returned to Earth carrying experiments conducted aboard ISS. Later this winter, Orbital Sciences Corp. plans to carry out its first test flight under COTS.

The full NASA press release can be found on-line at:

http://www.nasa.gov/exploration/comm...ilestones.html

[ANS thanks NASA for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

AMSAT joins all of the spacefaring people of Earth in remembering a hero for mankind on the passing on August 25 of Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the Moon. Armstrong was 82.AMSAT has received the sad news of the passing QST Managing Editor Joel P. Kleinman, N1BKE, of Meriden, Connecticut. Joel died from injuries received during a house fire. He was 64. Kleinman was responsible for the coordination, organization, control and completion of all aspects of QST's editorial content each month. Kleinman's wife Jayne survived the fire, but is currently in the intensive care unit of a local hospital. The ARRL is collecting condolence messages to forward on to Joel's family. If you would like send a message, please email it to: news@arrl.org.A video about the amateur radio F-1 CubeSat that is due to be deployed from the International Space Station in September by Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide KE5DNI using the ISS Kibo robot arm can be viewed on the AMSAT-UK web at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/9746 It was broadcast on the Vietnamese TV station VTC2 and features interviews with Thu Trong Vu XV9AA, Hong Thai Pham and Pham Quang Hung along with a graphics clip showing the proposed deployment of the CubeSat. Part of the interview is held on the roof of the FPT university and shows the antenna array that will be used to command the F-1 CubeSat.Scouts from all over the United States came to this year's Space Jam 6 sponsored by Crew 272 and Troop 17 where a ARISS contact with the ISS was held. Scouts talked with Japanese (JAXA) Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide KE5DNI using the WB9SA Satellite Communications Ham Radio Station on August 5, 2012. Watch the video on-line here.Photos from Mars keep coming in. An HD quality video of Curiosity's descent was assembled from full-resolution 1600×1200 frames from the MARDI descent imager. It also shows the best views yet of the heat shield impact on the surface of Mars.Add this to your wish list - a personal Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) is now available. The drone in this video one uses a 2.4 GHz WiFi connection to an iPhone or iPad.Watch a video by KB3TQO posted

on Southgate that shows a simple way to launch amateur radio antennas into the trees, really high. He demonstrates his homemade, bicycle pump powered, air cannon.The team from Mars Express put this great video together which shows what Mars looks like from above, during an elliptical orbit. They created it using 600 individual still images captured by the Visual Monitoring Camera (VMC), and it shows the view from a visiting spacecraft□s slow descent from high above the planet, then speeds up during closest approach, and then slows down again as the orbital distance increases.The next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, August 30, at 8 PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available on the N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)NASA announced that for its 50th anniversary celebration it will be opening its gates for □virtual tours□ through a partnership with Google Maps and its Street View feature. With over 6,000 panoramic images of the space center you are only a click away from your tour.Do you want to live on Mars time? There□s an App for that now. Read the article at http://tinyurl.com/MarsTimeApp to decide which one is right for you. (UniverseToday)Photos showing the deployment of the small Russian Sfera satellite from the Space Station by Russian cosmonaut Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, Expedition 32 commander, during last week's EVA.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the stu-dent rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind the August 16 - 17 temperatures measured by NASA□s Curiosity rover reported that ground temperature ranged between minus 131.8° F to +37° F; air temperature in Gale Crater ranged between minus 103° F and +28° F. That□s what being 50% farther from the sun than Earth will do for you.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

K9JKM at amsat dot org

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Vanity Call Sign Fee to Increase September 4

Posted: 14 Aug 2012 06:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?357780-Vanity-Call-Sign-Fee-to-Increase-September-4&goto=newpost

Vanity Call Sign Fee to Increase September 4

On August 3, the FCC announced via a Final Rule in the Federal Register that the cost of an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will increase 80 cents, from $14.20 to $15. The new fees take effect 30 days after publication, making September 4, 2012, the first day the new fee is in effect. Earlier this year, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order (NPRM), seeking to raise the fee for Amateur Radio vanity call signs.

The vanity call sign regulatory fee is payable not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also upon renewing a vanity call sign for a new 10 year term. The first vanity call sign licenses issued under the current Amateur Radio vanity call sign program that began in 1996 came up for renewal six years ago.

The FCC is authorized by the Communications Act of 1934, as amended to collect vanity call sign fees to recover the costs associated with that program. According to the FCC, the fees that are collected from vanity call signs are used to offset the cost of monitoring and researching new call sign requests to prevent the issuance of duplicate call signs. When asked why the fee is payable upon renewal, the FCC stated in 2011 that "[m]ore than likely, fees that are collected only on new issues and at the time of changes in call signs will not generate sufficient revenues to offset the cost of managing and monitoring this work at the Commission, the FCC stated in 2011. Therefore, we conclude that the basis upon which the Commission collects fees on Amateur Radio Vanity call signs will not change."

The vanity call sign fee has fluctuated over the 16 years of the current program -- from a low of $11.70 in 2007 to a high of $70 (as first proposed in the FCC's 1994 Report and Order). In Fiscal Year 2012, the FCC expects to grant 14,300 vanity call signs, bringing in $214,500 from the vanity call sign program, and looks to recover a total of $339,844,000 in fees from all the Services that it regulates.

1627. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 11 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-29 19:15:54 UTC
From: Patty Winter <patty1@wintertime.com>
Message-ID: <503e6a6a$0$70405$742ec2ed@news.sonic.net>
Source record: 2194

In article <50269f83$0$7089$742ec2ed@news.sonic.net>,
Patty Winter <patty1@wintertime.com> wrote:
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>http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/innovations/post/nasa-curiosity-crew-members-are-hanging-out-with-us-today-230-pm-et/2012/08/10/c2faf4e2-e2f4-11e1-98e7-89d659f9c106_blog.html
>
>"A Post reader asked whether the patterns in the wheels were Morse code
>for 'JPL.' They're not, said [mission controller Bobak] Ferdowsi, saying
>that the patterns allow analysts back on Earth to determine the rover's
>rate and direction of movement."

Looks like one hand of NASA doesn't know what the other hand is
doing, because a press release today says that the wheels DO form
Morse code (while providing a distance measurement):

http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/msl/multimedia/pia16093.html

Patty

1628. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 35 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-29 19:27:04 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120829192632.38CEE9B8022F@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2195
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 35 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-08-29
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: F ; France ; Square: JN39 ; start 2012-09-01

Hi friends
The City of Provins F6KOP ARC, is heading to North East France for
the next IARU VHF Championship 144 MHz, on September 1st and 2nd.
A joint opi¿½ration of F6KOP with the City of Sarreguemines ARC/F6KFH
is scheduled to put on the air the TM9A callsign.
They will be active from the grid square : JN39OC. The contest location
is on the road from OBERGAILBACH et RIMLING (Moselle Department) .
On the air in SSB and CW.
The gang :
Frank/F4AJQ, Yann/F1NGP, Bernard/F9IE, Bruno/F5AGB, Joï¿½l/F6JMT,
Olivier/F8UHU, Michel/F5PPG, Michel/F6HOK, Jean-Luc/F1ULQ, Walter/F5ONL,
Henri/F6CUC , Maurice/F5NQL and may be some other.
QSL via F6KOP
Stay tuned and don't forget to point your antennas to JN39OC to get and
to give us points Thank you.
See you down our log
Maurice, F5NQL, KOP Team 10.

SOURCE: tnx to Maurice F5NQL direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: E7 ; Bosnia-Herzogevina ; Square: JN94 ; start 2012-09-01

E73FDE team will be QRV from JN94CP in the IARU Region1 contest.
At moonrise&Moonset 31.8./1.9.2012. wi will try make some EME JT65B qso's.
Eq: 4x11 ele DL6WU, 750W out (GS31b)
IC275 + LNA BFG135 at ant.

SOURCE: tnx to E77AR, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ON ; Belgium ; Square: JO20 ; start 2012-09-01

OS0V/p qrv from JO20UF in the IARU Region1 VHF contest
Baraque de Fraiture 650m asl plus 50m tower! One yagi, preamp and EME power.QRV on KST!

SOURCE: tnx to ON4PS direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: PA ; Netherlands ; start 2012-09-01

PA6FUN qrv again
PA6FUN will be activate on 1 and 2 september from EU-146 (Schouwe Duivenland)
durring the IARU 145 MHz contest (last time). QSL via PE1GUR

SOURCE: tnx to PE1GUR direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZK2 ; Niue ; Square: AH51 ; start 2012-09-07

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012
LATEST NEWS from W7GJ, dated 2012-08-14:
The callsigns for the Niue JT65 EME operation next month will be:
E6M - 6m
E6RS - 2m
I have updated my website to include information on how to update your WSJT program
to include these calls as well as include the E6 prefix:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
Please watch for us on EME! GL and VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: Moon-Net

NEWS by W7GJ, dated 2012-09-03:
Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could mark your
calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the end of August ;-)
As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with me on 6m EME when I was in
E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be active during our common moon windows -
especially during the optimum days of the month for 6m EME.
The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email), and the QTH has not been finalized,
but all the plane tickets have been purchased (as usual, any contributions are VERY
welcome),
and the equipment (a KX3 portable transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the
works.
As soon as the license is in hand, the information will also be available under the
callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference for a
takeoff shot

over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating),
so we will get the ground gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period, as we did together from E51 and 3D2;
Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS. More details will be posted on the above website as the departure
time at the end of August gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GU & GJ ; Guernsey & Jesrey ; Square: IN89 ; start 2012-09-29

Hermann, DL2NUD, and Peter, DJ4TC, will be qrv some days from GU and GJ
during sept. 29th and oct. 09th, 2012
Main goal are the higher bands these time. Activity on 144 MHz will be only short!
The Team will be ready with following equipment:
144: 9 el 7KF hor./vert. abt. 400W
432: 21 el hor. 120W (400W sometimes)
1296: 62 el hor. 200W (400W sometimes)

Source: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2012-10-01

Bodo, DF8DX, qrv from SV9 on HF and 23cm EME

Equipment will be like on my previous DXpeditions IC7000 with transverter (100W) and 59ele yagi.
call: SV9/DF8DX
Grid: KM25 (exact locator will be given later)
IOTA: EU-015
Activity on 23cm EME:
October 2, 2000-2130z (for EU)
October 3, 0400-0600z (for NA)
with backup dates:
October 3, 2030-2200z (for EU)
October 4, 0430-0600z (for NA)
Frequency: TX first on 1296.090MHz / RX on my own echo frequency (just like in CW)

I am one week on SV9 but I would prefer you work me on the suggested times because i want to spend some time with my wife on this vacation and also enjoy some HF (CW only) activity as well
as maybe activity from EU-187. Further skeds on request (if necesary). Check www.mmmonvhf.de for updates.

73 de Bodo, DF8DX

SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DF8DX, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1629. eHam.net News for Wednesday 29 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-29 22:06:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5186874ba0edf04c86ec643@google.com>
Source record: 2196
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Advances the Art of the Airwaves:

Posted: 28 Aug 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28889

Amateur radio network prepared for natural disasters, community service:
Like the old M*A*S*H TV show's Radar O'Reilly character who helped military personnel serving in Korea keep up with news back home, Memphian Pat Lane held a similar job during the Vietnam War. Lane, who is now chief engineer at WKNO, earned his amateur radio license in 1957, was hired at WKNO in 1964 and was drafted into the Army in 1965. He worked radio communications during the war from 1965 until 1968. "I already knew Morse code and was familiar with MARS procedure," explains Lane. "That enabled me to move up through the ranks rapidly. I had a positive experience with the Army." With skills and experience under his belt, Lane also is a perfect fit for his current position within the amateur radio network as Section Emergency Coordinator for the American Radio Relay League. ARRL is an organization that was formed in 1914 in response to a need for the organization of radio amateurs in the United States. As SEC for West Tennessee, Lane is tasked with coordinating emergency communication when all else fails. "When all else fails -- ham radio does not" is the ARRL motto.

1630. [DXNL] DXNL 1795 (Aug 29, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-29 22:10:20 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <80171249250.20120829200212@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 2197
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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5B, CYPRUS, AS-004
Nick,G3RWF, will be active as 5B/G3RWF while on holiday in September.
QSL via homecall.

9G, GHANA
Emil,ZS6EGB, is working in Ghana again and plans to become active as
9G5ZS after his holiday using an Icom 706mkIIG, a HyGain vertical and
dipoles for the lowbands. QSL via homecall.

C2, NAURU, OC-031
Yoosuke "Yuki",JH1NBN, will be QRV as C21BN (and maybe also with a
special call) from Nauru (OC-031) from Sep 3-10. He will work with
100 watts using simple antennas on 40m-10m. QSL via homecall.

CT3, MADEIRA, AF-014
Helge,CT9/DG3FAW, Knut,CT9/DJ6KS, and Matthias,CT9/DJ8OG, plan to show
up from Madeira (AF-014) in SSB/RTTY/PSK on 80m-10m (maybe also 6m)
from Sep 4-11. DJ8OG will take part in the WAE SSB Contest using CR3L
as single op/high power. QSLs via homecall, CR3L via DJ6QT.
See also: http://www.cr3l.de

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-124
Andy,AB7FS, is QRV as E51AND from Palmerston (OC-124) for the next
three weeks. Listen for him on 40m and 20m and in the ANZA net on
14183 kHz after 0500 UTC. QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The "Kent Weald Radio Club" is working as GB1HA from the Headcorn
Aerodrome in Kent to support the air ambulance and other local
charities until Sep 2. They are demonstrating amateur radio on HF
and VHF to any visitors. QSL via bureau.
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The "Ballymena Amateur Radio Club" celebrates the 150th anniversary
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of the West Church in Ballymena by activating GB150WCB on Sep 1.
QSL via bureau.

HA, HUNGARY
The "Debrecen Radio Sports Club" celebrates the 20th Debrecen Civis
Amateur Radio Meetingn by using the special call HG20CRT until Dec 31.
The club members are working in all modes on all bands.
QSL cards will be sent after the activity via bureau.
Direct QSLs via HA0KA.

I, ITALY
The special call II3PAN will be used from Sep 1-20 to mark the
30th anniversary of the adoption of the MB339 aircraft by the National
Aerobatic Patrol (the Tricolour Arrows aerobatic team of the Italian
Air Force). QSL via IV3IUM.

Fabio Bonucci,IK0IXI, will be active as II0FIST to celebrate the
silver jubilee of the FISTS CW Club (1987-2012) from Sep 2-8.
QSL via IK0IXI. See also: http://www.fists.co.uk

KH0, NORTHERN MARIANAS, OC-086
The 19 year old students Yuzo,JQ2WTT (KH0XW), and Seiya "Sam",
JE1XUZ (KH0XH), will be QRV from the Saipan BBQ Contest Club (OC-086)
from Aug 29 until Sep 3. They will join the All Asian DX SSB Contest
on Sep 1/2 as AH0BT. QSL for AH0BT via 7L1FPU.
All other QSLs via homecalls, unfortunately only direct.

KH8/S, SWAINS ISLAND, OC-200
The team will be arriving on Swains Island (OC-200) on Sep 5 and leave
on Sep 19. They will operate as NH8S with seven stations in CW, SSB
and RTTY from 6m-160m (incl. 60m) around the clock for 14 days.
Great emphasis will be put in working European stations. Like all
major DXpeditions today this is a very expensive trip with total costs
estimated to be 200,000 US $. Each member has paid 8000 US $ plus his
costs to get to American Samoa. Donations are welcome via our website.
QSL via bureau/OQRS/LoTW or direct via AA4NN, Swains Island DXpedition,
PO Box 5005, Lake Wylie, SC 29710, USA.
Their website is: http://www.nh8s.org

LZ, BULGARIA
Nasko,LZ1YE, celebrates his 40th anniversary on air this year. He will
use the special call LZ40YE on all bands until the end of December.
QSL via homecall.

OE, AUSTRIA
The special club stations OE2XXM and OE5XXM are working in SSB mainly
on 80m/40m and on 2m/70cm from the International HAM meeting in Gosau
using the special ADL 553 every year from July 1-31 and from Sep 1-30.
See also: http://www.qrz.com/db/oe2xxm or http://www.qrz.com/db/oe5xxm
QSLs via bureau.

ON, BELGIUM
The clubstation ON4OSA, member of the Belgian Amateur Union celebrates
it's 20th birthday of the weekly news transmissions for radioamateurs.
The special event station ON20OSA is active until the end of the year.
QSL via bureau, LoTW, eQSL.

SV9, CRETE, EU-015
Uli,DJ9XB, will spend his holidays on Crete (EU-015) in September and
plans to become active as SW9XB. He will be active also in the upcoming
CQWW DX RTTY Contest (Sep 29/30). QSL via homecall, LoTW.

TR, GABON
Alain,TR8CA, is back in Gabon and usually can be found in CW on 15m
around 1600 UTC. QSL via F6CBC, unfortunately only direct.

UA, RUSSIA
The new award program "Gallery of the Great Genius of Russia" (GGGR)
was launched in Russia. following special event stations will be active
between Sep 1 and Nov 30:
R15GGGR Op: RK1AN
R14GGGR Op: RZ1AWZ
R21GGGR Op: UA2FDM
R45GGGR Op: UA4LAQ
R65GGGR Op: RU6BS
R75GGGR Op: UA6MM
R71GGGR Op: RK6AH
All QSLs via UA6MM.

V5, NAMIBIA
Hans,DF2UU, is working as V5/DF2UU in CW/SSB on 6m-160m until Sep 16.
He will sign V55V in the SSB Fieldday (Sep 1/2) and in the WAE SSB
Contest (Sep 8/9). QSL for V5/DF2UU via homecall, V55V via DJ8VC.

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-078
Yoshi,JJ8DEN, is QRV as V63PR from Falalop Island (Ulithi atoll/OC-078)
working in CW, RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A on 160m-10m until Sep 3.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Ilian,LZ1CNN (ex YI9LZ), is active on the air as T6LG in SSB and CW
on all bands from September until February 2013. QSL via LZ1ZF.

ZD9, GOUGH ISLAND, AF-030
Gerard,ZS6KX, aka ZS7KX from the SANAE 4 base in Queen Maude Land in
Antarctica, is now staying on Gough Island (AF-030) starting in Sep.
He asked for the callsign ZD9KX.

DXpedition stories: The DXItalia Web page provides interesting DXpedition
stories with pictures at: http://www.dxitalia.it

PIRATES: ZD9KN who was announced in the last DXNL, is a Pirate! There is no
one named Paul on the island and the callsign has not been issued.
See also: http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?358481-ZD9KN-is-a-
Pirate!-By-W3UR-Bernie-McClenny-The-Daily-DX

2E0HKM, 2O0HKM, HV0E, HV1PBH, IZ0VHS and MJ0HKM are also Pirates.

SILENT KEYS: QST Managing Editor Joel P. Kleinman, N1BKE, of Meriden, CT, died from injuries received during a house fire. He was 64. Kleinman was responsible for the coordination, organization, control and completion of all aspects of QST's editorial content since 2001. Kleinman's wife Jayne survived the fire, but is currently in the intensive care unit of a local hospital. Kleinman came to ARRL in 1976. "Joel was obsessed with making QST the best Amateur Radio magazine it could be, but he pursued that obsession with uncommon dignity and kindness," said QST Editor Steve Ford, WB8IMY.
"With the passing of Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, we have lost not only a respected professional colleague, but also a friend," said ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN. "The shocking circumstances of his death sharpen the sadness we feel."
"Joel was a gifted writer and editor," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "Amateur Radio is the richer today because he chose to devote his talents to the work of the ARRL."
The DARC sent condolences to the ARRL. Everybody is remembered of the former chairman of the DARC Committee for DX and HF Contesting Dr. Lothar Wilke,DL3TD, recently elected to the CQ Contest Hall of Fame who died under similar conditions last year.
The ARRL is collecting condolence messages to forward to Joel's family. If you would like send a message, please e-mail it to news@arrl.org
Other radio friends who passed away recently are:
Victor D. Poor, W5SMM, Araldo Ramundo,I8RAR, Enrico Lombardo,IT9TDJ, Thomas L. Hise,NC0O, Marilyn S. Carpenter,N8OAM, Finlay Bruce,ZL4HI, Helio M. de Carvalho,PY2BBO, and George Varvitsiotes,K6SV.
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends. We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at: http://www.sotawatch.org
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Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 1 Russian RADIO RTTY WW Contest
Sep 1 CW open Competition (part 1+2)
Sep 1/2 JARL All Asian DX Contest
Sep 1/2 IARU Region 1 Fieldday
Sep 1/2 IARU Region 1 145 MHz September Contest
Sep 2 CW open Competition (part 3)
Sep 2 DARC 10m Digital Contest Corona
Sep 3 QCWA QSO Party

A word to the All Asia DX Contest: There is no law against giving a brief RST to a calling FD station. Usually the short report is given faster

than explanating the participation in the AA-DX Contest and you are working only Asian stations. A short report means Ham Spirit and the Fieldday station is glad about a new multi.

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
ILLW review: The "International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend 2012" took place on Aug 18/19. You can find the first impressions and photos on: http://illw.net/index.php/reports-2012

AF-016, FR, Reunion Island: Michael,DF8AN, is visiting Reunion Island (DIFO FR-001, WFF FFF-011, WLOTA 1812) from Sep 2-10 and plans to show up as FR/DF8AN mainly in CW. QSL via DF8AN.

AF-090, 5R, Madagascar's Coastal Islands East: Moise,F4EZG, will be QRV in SSB on 40/20/15/10m signing 5R8VE from Nosy Alanana Island (WLOTA 0888) from Sep 1-3. QSL via F4EZG.

AS-013, 8Q, Maldive Islands: Juergen,OE4JHW, plans a mini DXpedition to the Lhaviyani atoll from Sep 2-14. Listen for 8Q7OE mainly in SSB and BPSK on 40m-10m (BPSK during the night hours). QSL via OE4JHW.

AS-149, R0F, Sakhalin's Coastal Islands: Gennady,R3BY, Max,RU5D, and Oleg,R7LP, are working in SSB and CW on 40-10m signing RI0FM from Moneron Island (RR-16-01, RDA SL-16) between Aug 28 and Sep 2.
QSL via R3BY (bureau/direct).

R10RLHA is working from the lighthouse (RR16-01, ASR-047, LH-0006) on Moneron Island on Aug 30/31. QSL via RA1QY (bureau/direct).

EU-025, IT9, Sicily: Members of the Arcibessi DX & Contest Group will be QRV as II9P in the All Asian DX SSB Contest. QSL via IT9CHU, LoTW.
See also: http://ii9p.com

EU-032, F, Poitou-Charentes Region group: Ben,ON5GQ, will spend his holidays on Ile d'Oleron (DIFM AT-025, WLOTA 1369, DPF 19, DDFM17) and will be active as F/ON5GQ on HF from Sep 1-14. QSL via ON5GQ.
See also: http://www.on5gq.be

EU-146, PA, Zuid Holland/Zeeland Province group: PA6FUN will take part in the upcoming IARU Region 1 145 MHz September Contest from Schouwen Duiveland between Aug 31 and Sep 2. QSL via PE1GUR (bureau/direct).

EU-165, IM0, Sardinia's Coastal Islands: Riccardo,IM0/IZ5JMX, will be active from San Pietro Island working only in SSB on 40m-10m from Sep 2-14.
QSL via homecall.

EU-171, OZ Jylland North Group: Members of the Dutch Contest Group (PI4DX) will be QRV in holiday style signing OV2T from Jutland in SSB and CW (maybe also some RTTY) between Aug 29 and Sep 4.
They will join the team of OZ5GX/p during the IARU Region 1 Fieldday.
QSL for OV2T via bureau or direct to PA0ABM. QSL for OZ5GX/p via OZ5GX.

NA-143, W5, Texas State East (Matagorda to Jefferson County) group:
Joe,K5KUA/5, will once again be active from Galveston Island (NA-143,
USi TX001S) mainly in SSB on 80m-10m between Aug 31 and Sep 3.
If time permits he will make also some CW QSOs. QSL via K5KUA.

NON IOTA: The TC Special Wireless Activity Team and the Giresun Radio
Amateurs and Nature Sports Club will be active as TC6ILH from
Inebolu lighthouse (WEBLOTA 6, Loc KN61vx) between Aug 30 and Sep 2.
QSL via TA1HZ (bureau/direct). See http://www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA

TC2AL, Amasra Lighthouse: Another activity by the TC Special Wireless
Activity Team and the Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club
is planned as TC2AL from Amasra lighthouse (WEBLOTA 7, Loc KN61es)
on Sep 1/2. QSL via TA1HZ (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA

The Radio Club du Bassin d'Arcachon (F5KAY) will be active as TM5O from
Ile aux Oiseaux (DIFM AT-028) on Sep 1/2. Two stations will be QRV on
80m/40m/20m in SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via F8IHE.

FFF: The radio club F8KGH will be active from the national park FFF-002 on
HF/VHF between Aug 31 and Sep 2. They will take part also in the
IARU Region 1 145 MHz Contest. QSL via F8KGH (bureau/direct).

YOFF: YP7P/YR7WFF will be QRV from the area YOFF-373 in SSB, CW and digital
modes on HF and VHF between Aug 31 and Sep 2. Their QTH is a mountain
with a height of 2.228m (Loc KN15ti). QSL via YO7MGG (bureau/direct).

Lighthouse activities

AH0BT LH 1333 Sep 1-2
KH0XH LH 1333 Aug 29-Sep 3
KH0XW LH 1333 Aug 29-Sep 3

Preview

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-09Sep 2O12L 1790
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28Aug-12Sep 3B8/IW5ELA.. 1794
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
Sep 5B/G3RWF 1795 *
14Aug-03Sep 5H3ME 1792
01Sep-03Sep 5R8VE 1795 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779

-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-03Nov 8J2YDU 1794
-21Oct 8J4HAM 1794
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-16Sep 8J8APRC 1794
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
02Sep-14Sep 8Q7OE 1795 *
unknown 9G5ZS 1795 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
29Aug-03Sep AH0BT.. 1795 *
03Sep-10Sep C21BN 1795 *
22Aug-29Aug C5/M1KTA 1793
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
unknown CG3B 1786
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
-31Aug CO2IR 1793
04Sep-11Sep CR3L.. 1795 *
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-Aug/13 D2FJZ 1794
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
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-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791

-15Sep E51AND 1795 *
unknown E51MGA 1786
-31Dec E720RS 1770
16Aug-30Aug EA8/EI6DX 1794
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
01Sep-14Sep F/ON5GQ 1795 *
31Aug-02Sep F8KGH 1795 *

-01Mar FH8NX 1747
02Sep-10Sep FR/DF8AN 1795 *
01Sep GB150WCB 1795 *
-30Aug GB175PO 1793
-02Sep GB1HA 1795 *
-09Sep GB2012OLY 1792
-09Sep GB2012MV 1790
-09Sep GB2012OSP 1791
-10Sep GB4GBO 1790
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
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-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
-31Dec HG20CRT 1795 *
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
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unknown HT9H 1792

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-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
02Sep-08Sep II0FIST 1795 *
01Sep-20Sep II3PAN 1795 *
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
01Sep-02Sep II9P 1795 *
10Aug-03Sep IM0/I0PNM 1792
02Sep-14Sep IM0/IZ5JMX 1795 *
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Nov JW2US 1791
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
31Aug-03Sep K5KUA/5 1795 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
23Aug-12Sep KL7/K8GU 1794
23Aug-12Sep KL7/KJ4OAP 1794
23Aug-12Sep KL7/W2NAF 1794
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
24Aug-31Aug LX/OH2YL 1794
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
-31Dec LZ40YE 1795 *

05Sep-19Sep NH8S 1795 *
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Aug OD5ARMY 1792
Jul /Sep OE2XXM.. 1786/1795 *
-Apr/17 OG3077F 1789
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
-31Dec ON20OSA 1795 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790

29Aug-04Sep OV2T.. 1795 *
unknown OX3LX 1790
01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
31Aug-02Sep PA6FUN 1795 *
28Aug-02Sep PA6ISS 1794
-30Sep R1000M 1794
Aug R10RLHA 1791/1795 *
-31Aug R1150V 1783
-30Aug R11GGGR.. 1784
01Sep-30Nov R15GGGR.. 1795 *
Aug R1812SM 1791
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
28Aug-02Sep RI0FM 1795 *
-Jan/13 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741

-31Dec S555E.. 1772
01Jul-31Aug SN0HAL 1786
-02Oct SN63DNI 1792
15Aug-08Sep SN17EGS 1793
01Aug-02Oct SN7PW 1791
27Aug-03Sep SV9/ON6DSL/p 1794
Sep SW9XB 1795 *
sporadically T30BN 1785
Resident T32BN 1785
-Feb T6LG 1795 *
-30Sep T6SS 1790
-Sep T6TJ.. 1789
01Sep-02Sep TC2AL 1795 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786/1793
30Aug-02Sep TC6ILH 1795 *
-30Aug TM175PO 1793
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
01Sep-02Sep TM5O 1795 *
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
unknown TR8CA 1795 *
unknown TX0HF 1789

-31Aug UE80C 1784
-16Sep V5/DF2UU.. 1795 *
-03Sep V63PR 1795 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
23Aug-29Aug YP1S 1794
31Aug-02Sep YP7P 1795 *
31Aug-02Sep YR7WFF 1795 *
18Aug-31Sep ZD9KN 1794/1795 *
unknown ZD9KX 1795 *

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QSL information

3W22S (d) (*), QRZ.com
3Z0MFF via SP9PTG (B)
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4O/IV3GTH via IV3GTH
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4L4ZA via DJ1CW (d)
4Z130R via 4Z4KX
5B/G3RWF via G3RWF (B)
5R8VE via F4EZG (B)
5X1T via ON5NT (B)
6W7RT (L), eQSL
8P9HA via WA4WTG (B)
8Q7HA via 9K2HS (B)
8Q7OE via OE4JHW (B)
9A20HRS via 9A3JB (B)
9G5ZS via ZS6EGB (B)
9K24P via 9K2OK (bureau only)
9N1AA via N4AA (B)
AH0BT via 7L1FPU
AH0J via JA1NVF (B)
BD7JUI via BA4EG (B)
BV1US via K6KYJ (1961-1962)
C21BN via JH1NBN (B)
C5/M1KTA via M1KTA
CO8WZ via EA7TV (B)
CQ7GIL via CS1AAM
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DG3FAW via DG3FAW
CT9/DJ6KS via DJ6KS
CT9/DJ8OG via DJ8OG
DM0BARS via DL2BWH (B) (*)
E51AND via AB7FS (d)
EA8/DG5NFF via DG5NFF (B)
EG5FTE via IK1GPG (B)
EG5FTE via IK1GPG (B)
EG7AL via EA7NL
EG8FSJ via EA8NE
EH2DC via EA2URC
EI0LHL via EI4GXB
EK3GM via IK2QPR (B)
EM7KAA/p via IK2DUW (B)
EP3PK via IK2DUW (B)
ES0/OH3BHL/p via OH3BHL (B)
ES0/RU5A via RU5A

F/ON5GQ via ON5GQ
FR/DF8AN via DF8AN (B)
GB1HA (B)
GB150WCB (B)
HB0/IZ3GNG via IZ3GNG (B)
HF70DZIDEK via SP5NHV
HG20CRT via HA0KA (B)
HG5FIRAC via HA5BSW
HR2WW via KD4POJ
HS0ZKG (B)
I0/YO7LKW via YO7LKW
II9P via IT9CHU, (L)
II3PAN via IV3IUM (B)
II0FIST via IK0IXI (B), (L)
II9P via IT9CHU
IM0/IZ5JMX via IZ5JMX (B)
IT9/IZ2MFD via IZ2MFD
IX1/IZ5GST via IZ5GST
JW/SQ5BPF via SQ5BPF (B)
JW2PA via LA2PA (B)
JT0YAB via UA9YPS (d)
JT0YPS via UA9YPS (d)
K5KUA/5 via K5KUA (B), (L)
KH2L via W3HNK (d)
KH6LC via WA6WPG (B)
KH0XH via JE1XUZ
KH0XW via JQ2WTT
KL7FAR via K6KYJ (1962-1963)
LZ40YE via LZ1YE (B)
NH8S via AA4NN (B, OQRS), (L)
NN1X via JG3JLC
OD5PY via KU9C (B)
OE2XXM (B)
OE5XXM (B)
ON20OSA (B), (L), eQSL
OV2T via PA0ABM (B)
OZ5GX/p via OZ5GX (B)
PA6FUN via PE1GUR (B)
R1050QB via UA1QEO
R10RLHA via RA1QY (B)
R111DCP via UA6MM (B)
R14GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R15GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R21GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R2009IT via RN3DHL
R45GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R65GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R71GGGR via UA6MM (B)
R75GGGR via UA6MM (B)
RI0FM via R3BY (B)

RW1150M via RQ3M
SD3N via SM3NXS (B)
SG3U via SM3CXS (B)
SQ6CU/8 via SQ6CU (B)
SV5/DL7YS via DL7YS
SV9/EM5F via UR5FAV
SV9/I1FQH via I1FQH (B)
SW9XB via DJ9XB (B), (L)
T6LG via LZ1ZF (B)
TC2AL via TA1HZ (B)
TC6ILH via TA1HZ (B)
TM5O via F8IHE (B)
TR8CA via F6CBC (d)
V31WU via AF6WU
V5/DF2UU via DF2UU (B)
V55V via DJ8VC (B)
V63PR via JJ8DEN (d)
VK3/W5RH via W5RH
VP8DLB via 2M1DHG
VU3TMO via VU2JOS (B)
W7L via AI4U (B)
XU7AEP via UA9YPS (d)
XU7AEQ via UA9YPS (d)
XV1X via RW6HS (d) (*)
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YQ7M via YO7MGG
YR2WFF via YO2KJW
YR7WFF via YO7MGG (B)
YR8Y via YO8WW
YS2UZY via KB2UZY
YT0WFF via YU7CM (B)
YV5/UA9YAB via UA9YPS (d)
YV5/UA9YPS via UA9YPS (d)
YV7/UA9YAB via UA9YPS (d)
YV7/UA9YPS via UA9YPS (d)
YW5YL via YV5AJ (B)
ZD9KX via ZS6KX
ZF2BN via W4HET

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived bureau: 5B4AJC, 5N6/YL2SW, 6V7D, A25FC, A92IO (EI3IO), AL3T,
AO1ANT, AO5B (EA4RCH), CT6A (CT1ILT), DA2C, DB175ADLER,
DF0DNT, DF9HG, DL0CPM (DL7ET), DL0LPM, DL0YLP, DN0UKW,
DL250COAL, DO9PL, DR9P, EA5KV, ER7HQ, FR/DJ7RJ, GM2V,

GX5BK/p, IU8HQ, K1KP, K3WW, K8AO, KG9N, OY3AA, OZ1RDP,
OZ9HBO, PY5GA, RG9A (UA9APA), V55V (DJ8VC), V55X,
VE3AXW, VK6IR, W1UE, YN2AA (NN3W), YO3CZW

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1631. HOT HOT VIDEOS AND SUPER KISSING PHOTOS TOO HOT,101

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 01:30:46 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <122db98a-c144-4dac-9f36-412871839aa1@pz10g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
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1632. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 29 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 02:12:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447852bada09304c8723369@google.com>
Source record: 2199
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio to the rescue - Ham operators establish link with world after
earthquake - The Redoubtreporter

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 03:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEG2OmvKOUpH0JOM5OYFV5TC5ZTFw&url=http://redoubtreporter.wordpress.com/2012/08/29/radio-to-the-rescue-ham-operators-establish-link-with-world-after-earthquake/

The Redoubtreporter
Radio to the rescue – Ham operators establish link with world after
earthquake
The Redoubtreporter
In 1964, when amateur Ham radio operator Zilla Maile wanted a new,
state-of-the-art radio, she knew the man to contact: Al Hershberger, owner
of Hershbergers Radio and TV store in Soldotna. What Maile didnt know was
the important role that ...

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ARISS ham radio contact planned with school in Germany - Southgate Amateur
Radio Club

Posted: 28 Aug 2012 11:31 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4iJeqqA5ja-WlR3EIi5RSDCyXIQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/august2012/ariss_event_3108.htm

ARISS ham radio contact planned with school in Germany
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
ARISS offers an opportunity for students to experience the excitement of
Amateur Radio by talking directly with crewmembers onboard the
International Space Station. Teachers, parents and communities see, first
hand, how Amateur Radio and crewmembers ...

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Radio times - Manawatu Standard

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 05:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGlU91RCcK-LNnGkwoUaZuQowlYcw&url=http://www.stuff.co.nz/manawatu-standard/your-manawatu/central-district-times/7562841/Radio-times

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Taihape amateur radio operator Jim Vernon cranked up his hobby back in 1956 when he was registered ZL234. As a young man, he set up his Eddystone S640 radio in his bedroom and was in business. “I was just a listener in those days, but received from ...

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Who ya gonna call? - Catskill Daily Mail

Posted: 28 Aug 2012 11:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFdE9H0wEtul566VeJDTgejmWCYlQ&url=http://www.thedailymail.net/articles/2012/08/29/news/doc503daa208fb83395457700.txt

Who ya gonna call?
Catskill Daily Mail
Signoretti talked to Greene County legislators in a presentation during Augusts Public Safety Committee meeting, gave them a recap of the work done by his team of Amateur Radio Emergency Service & Radio Amateurs Civil Emergency Services members, ...

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SHARC activates lighthouse - Redwood Times

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 12:48 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEJ19Eae_sfjZkFjdHgQRdybQq9Lw&url=http://www.redwoodtimes.com/garbervillenews/ci_21427279/sharc-activates-lighthouse

SHARC activates lighthouse
Redwood Times
19, the Southern Humboldt Amateur Radio Club operated an amateur radio station at the Cape Mendocino Lighthouse at Mal Combs Park in Shelter Cove as part of the North American Lighthouse Weekend, an annual Ham radio event. The SHARC club ...

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police scanner, - CNET

Posted: 28 Aug 2012 11:50 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEJVa0urDTnbZLVw_qV5E6X_KGa9w&url=http://news.cnet.com/8300-5_3-0.html?keyword%3Dpolice%2Bscanner

police scanner,
CNET
With an Android app called Scanner Radio, you can turn your Android phone into a portable police scanner. Volunteers with scanners provide over 3,100 audio streams from police and fire departments, weather radios, and amateur radio operators. You can ...

1633. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-050-1E - Re-in statement of Volunteer ExaminerQualifications

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 04:16:03 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <503EE722.8070006@rac.ca>
Source record: 2200
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-050-1E - Re-in statement of Volunteer Examiner Qualifications
2012-08-29

Industry Canada has advised the Radio Amateurs of Canada that the Volunteer Examiner Qualifications of VA3MPM have been re-instated. Mr. Myers was the subject of a previous bulletin announcing his qualifications had been revoked.

The information regarding the revocation of the qualifications was provided to RAC by Alan McLean, a Spectrum Management Officer with the Amateur Radio Service Centre of Industry Canada.

Mr. McLean now indicates that he spoke in error yesterday regarding Mr. Myers. Mr. McLean now indicates that the qualifications were suspended but then were re-instated a couple of weeks ago. It appears that Mr. McLean relied on a database of examiners which incorrectly showed the qualifications as suspended. Mr. McLean further indicates that a task has been assigned inside of Industry Canada to update the database to show the qualifications are no longer suspended.

Understandably, Mr. McLean does not wish to further discuss the matter publicly at this time.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada shares the concerns of Mr. Myers that incorrect information regarding his work as a volunteer examiner was provided by Industry Canada to not only the Radio Amateurs of Canada but also to several members of the public.

Bill Gade, VE4WO
Regulatory Affairs

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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1634. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 30 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 06:19:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307cfea8ee8bba04c875a801@google.com>
Source record: 2101
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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REMINDER: Central Illinois QRP Get Together

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 07:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359526-REMINDER-Central-Illinois-QRP-Get-Together&goto=newpost

The Cenois Amateur Radio Club in Decatur, Illinois is holding a Tailgate
Party on September 8, 2012 in Mt. Zion, Illinois. Parking lot of the Four
Star Family Restaurant. 1100 N. State Highway 121 Mt. Zion, IL 62549
Noon to 4 p.m.

Free Admission and there is no charge for selling but you have to bring
your own tailgate. Bring any QRP or Ham Stuff that you want to sell.

QRP'ers - 1st Annual Central IL Branch of the 4 States QRP Club Meeting.
Any and all interested QRP'ers and kitbuilders should plant to attend.
We're planning on having at least one operating QRP station and there will
be kits for sale from the 4SQRP Club.

All of the Four States QRP Club kits will be available for sale.
http://www.4sqrp.com

1635. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 2 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 08:42:26 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <bffbdcb2-23ce-472d-ad9d-e3690b1a3a4e@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 2102
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-09-02.mp3
Text edition:

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 2 2012.

VIP CENTENARY:

The West Australian VHF Group Inc. is running in top gear with another public
Amateur Radio display station similar to the VK100WIA Super Springtime.

September 2012 will see the Centenary of the establishment of our nation's
Coastal Radio station network.

VIP Perth on Wireless Hill, Ardross WA is believed to be the only remaining
survivor in public hands. The WA VHF Group was instrumental in the
preservation of the buildings to house a Telecommunications Museum and now
has almost certainly secured a permanent Hamshack as part of the re-vamping.

This was the site of the 2010 WIA Centenary celebration airing the VK100WIA
call for 12 consecutive days in a co-operative venture by 9 local radio
groups.

In co-ordination with the Melville City Council, the WA VHF Group has made
application to again air the commemorative callsign VI 6 VIP
(previous occasions being 1992 and 2004) for this station which will be open
to the public 01:00Z to 10:00Z daily Sat 29 Sept to 13 Oct inclusive.

The station should be active well beyond these hours.

(73 Bob, VK6KW, President)

RAOTC SEPTEMBER REMINDER.

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that tomorrow Monday September 3rd the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's monthly News and Information bulletin will be broadcast on a number of HF and VHF frequencies.

The principal HF transmissions can be heard on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz USB at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for Eastern states listeners, and again at 0200 beamed West for Western Australia.

During tomorrow numerous local relays will also take place on various VHF and lower HF frequencies. To find a frequency and time for your area, please visit the RAOTC website www.raotc.org.au

September 3 is the 73rd anniversary of the declaration of WW2 and in keeping with this occasion we have in the Monday Broadcast an item on Oboe, the most precise radio bombing aid of WW2.

Everyone, RAOTC members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half hour of Old Timer news, stories and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday September 3rd.

73 from Clive VK6CSW.

PLANE HEARING

Ever wanted an ear inside the cockpit as a pilot prepares to land or take off from Melbourne Airport?

Well, according to the Sunbury Leaer, you could soon have the chance if a plan by Hume councillor Jack Ogilvie takes flight.

Cr Ogilvie wants a transmitter tower installed at the airport viewing area on the corner of Sunbury and Oaklands roads, allowing plane watchers to listen to conversations between pilots and air traffic controllers.

"It would be about 3m high, with a transmitter and a solar panel," he said.

"It would enable people to tune in to an FM station in their own cars and you would be able to hear what's happening."

Rhema Central Coast upgrades transmission facilities

Rhema FM on the NSW central coast has upgraded its broadcast antenna.

General Manager Rick Broome told radioinfo.com.au the coverage is much better and that their old antenna is looking for a new home.

"The increase in signal strength from about 1100w to licenced 2kw has made a tremendous improvement to coverage.

The new 4-bay antenna cost the station about $5,500, so they are looking to re-coup a little of the cost.

"Make us an offer!" says Broome.

Contact Rick Broome on mail@rhemacentralcoast.com.au to follow up

(radioinfo.com.au)

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Treasurer John Longayroux VK3PZ vk3pz@wia.org.au

What a great weekend the Remembrance Day contest was.

We had over 1100 unique calls that made it on air. This meant that some stations were actually working 1 to 2 contacts per minute over a one hour period. Propagation was fantastic as well; with a very low noise figure it made it easy for eastern QRP stations to contact VK6 on a regular basis.

Some quotes extracted from logs received are:

"The most enjoyable RD since the 1980's"

"The RD contest bought the activity level on several bands up to where it was many years ago"

"I really like the new RST/exchange system - less competitive pressure."

"Thanks to the organisers for making this contest more accessible"

And

"A great format for a friendly contest"

I think the last comment sums it up perfectly.

Remember to send in your log. At the moment only 17 per cent have done so. That's 17 per cent of actual participants.

The state scores are very close and it only needs a few logs to tilt the current balance of power. So please, send me your logs.

Only 7 days left for log submission, so do it now!

Your log could decide if your state wins or loses.

(Alan, VK4SN)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au

send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Central Highlands ARC AGM Weekend - SUDDEN DATE CHANGE

The date has had to be changed due to a double booking with the Scouts Queensland State Jamboree Committee.

So now the AGM weekend will be held from 4pm Friday October 5th to Midday Sunday October 7th.

Find out more, contact vk4kal@wia.org.au

(VK4ZZ)

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Ballarat Amateur Radio Hamvention - 2012.

The Ballarat Amateur Radio Group will hold its annual Hamvention on Sunday the 21st of October 2012 in the usual venue provided by the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club in Rubicon St, Redan.

Doors open for traders at 8am and general access is at 10am.

Those that have attended in the past will know that this is a good day out in a really roomy, indoors venue with historically around 60 to 70 tables of new and preloved amateur radio gear, test gear and general bits and pieces on sale.

They work very hard to make the event a place where both first timers and regulars are welcomed, be they traders, browsers or buyers and each and everyone is given every assistance to ensure that they have a great day out.

Entry for everyone, including traders is $6 per head and tables are available for $10 per 1.6 metre section.

Ballarat would really encourage people to use the opportunity to turn over some of that gear that has been sitting in the shack for a little too long and those bit and pieces that you have been struggling to find a use for, give another amateur a chance to put it to use and make yourself a few dollars in the process.

If you don't think you could support a full table then the Ballarat Club has a table where they are more than happy to sell the goods for you for a small commission.

Historically they have had a really strong representation of commercial traders and dealers and are pleased to continue this tradition into 2012.

No amateur gathering is ever complete without a bit a food, a place for a coffee and a good catch up with friends, there is a well catered food area designated and it is provided with a goodly amount of seating with generous

sized tables.

If you love building equipment then how about a bit of show and tell, there is a special section for home brew projects with sections for novices, skilled and very skilled with generous prizes for each category, amateurs just love seeing other amateurs projects and admiring their ingenuity.

If you attend every year they look forward to seeing you again, if you haven't been to Ballarat for a while then please consider paying a visit, it's a truly beautiful town with lots to do for families and they would really be delighted to see you at the Hamvention.

If you need more information then please visit the BARG web site www.barg.org.au

or you can contact via Roger VK3ADE on 03 5330 3081
or Ian VK3AXH on 03 5341 3012.

For bookings contact hamvention2012@barg.org.au

VK4 - QNEWS - CONTINUES

Interested in amateur microwaves?

In two weeks' time, the Brisbane VHF Group will be running another microwave test and tune-up day. The aim of this event is to provide an opportunity for amateurs interested in microwave bands to test and measure the performance of gear that they have built or bought for the bands we have available above 1 GHz.

Another aim is for amateurs who have a budding interest in the microwave bands to engage with others of similar interest, sharing plans and dreams or just to enjoying being together.

Last year, this event was a real blast and many microwave projects and items were tested and evaluated. The day also served as an all-in-one-place 'show and tell' session for working microwave gear.

We hope to do the same or better this year with test equipment available for frequencies right up to 24 GHz. There'll be power measurement, spectrum analysers and swept frequency testing to 24 GHz, a signal generator and frequency counting to 18 GHz, and noise figure measurement to 1.8 GHz.

When and where's this all happening? It'll be on Sunday the 16th of September at the club rooms of the Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club in Klinger Road, Kippa-Ring. The advertised start time is 9:00 a.m. and it will be easy to just come and go at different times of the morning, through to around 2:00 p.m.

Interest in amateur microwaves in South-East Queensland is starting to pick up. So, if you have a plan to one day get active there, or you've even got some completed or not yet completed gear, come along on the sixteenth.

Going on from that, like last year, the Brisbane VHF Group will also be holding another out-in-the-field microwave activity day on the last Sunday

of October. Keep that one in mind as well as the Spring VHF-UHF Field contest at the end of November!

But the focus right now is the microwave test and tune-up day on the 16th of September.

See you there!

(Doug vk4oe)

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

We received the very first QST magazine from Tasmania's Cradle Coast Amateur Radio Club through the week and this IS a magazine!

A very comprehensive report from the President
Full story and great 'chopper shots' of their Mt Duncan Repeater upgrade.
The ILLW
VK7EM looks back at his time on Wilkes in 1968
WICEN and the Tom Quilty Ride
A good review of the Buddistick Antenna
And of course local 'classifieds'.

Volume 1 issue 1 is well worth a read!

Northern Tasmanian Amateur Radio Club
www.ntarc.net

September NTARC Meeting

David Long, Tasmanian ACMA field representative, will be guest speaker at Wednesday 12 September's meeting. Please mark your diary and go along to hear David bring you up to date on ACMA's modern role and recent activity in VK7.

As previously suggested, members of the clubs in the North West might also like to attend this briefing. At least one CCARC member intends to get along, so why not join him? You would be more than welcome.

DISCUSSION POINT

The state of Amateur Radio in Australia today

Over the past months in VK6 we've been welcoming new Amateurs to the hobby by extracting the latest callsigns from the ACMA RADCOM database. This started me wondering what the overall numbers of Amateurs in Australia looks like today. Not having seen such statistics anywhere, I have compiled to the best of my ability the numbers based on information from the ACMA RADCOM database, Geoscience Australia[#1] and the Australian Bureau of Statistics[#2].

The big numbers first

As at August 13[#3], 2012, there were a total of 15,771 Amateur licenses across 14,653 people in the RADCOM database. Comprising 476 licenses for

beacons and repeaters and 15,295 licenses for Operators.

Just over 71% of licenses are Advanced Licenses. 15% are Foundation and nearly 14% are Standard Licenses. Ignoring repeaters and beacons, the most licenses are in New South Wales (VK2), where 4,239 Amateur Licenses are allocated, representing just under 28% of total Licenses issued. Just over 27% of Licenses are held by Victorians (VK3), Queensland (VK4) follows with over 18%, South Australia (VK5) with just under 10%, Western Australia (VK6) with under 9%, Tasmania (VK7) with under 4%, the Australian Capital Territory[#4] (VK1) with 2.5%, the Northern Territory (VK8) with 1%, followed by the external territories (VK9) with 0.2% and the Australian Antarctic Territory (VK0) with 0.05%.

The total population in Australia is 22,485,300. Amateur Radio license holders represent 0.07% of the population.

Taking into account the naming convention variation across the ACMA database[#5], the Wireless Institute of Australia is the largest Amateur License holder in VK, it holds 167 licenses[#6] in various names. Scouting around Australia[#7] holds 53 licenses across 21 different groups. 332 licenses[#8] are held by 135 groups, clubs and associations.

One amateur holds 9 licenses, three hold 7 and eleven amateurs hold 6 licenses each.

The most popular suffixes are AA, XX, DX and WI. The most common Foundation call is FAAF.

The largest beacon operator is the West Australian VHF Group who operate 8 beacon licenses across VK6. The largest repeater operator is the WIA who operate 115 licenses across VK. The next largest is the West Australian Repeater Group who operate 15 licenses in VK6, followed by Scouts who operate 8 licenses.

And that is a quick run-down on the state of Amateur Radio in Australia today. I'm Onno VK6FLAB

[#1] http://www.ga.gov.au/education/geoscience-basics/dimensions/area-of-australia-states-and-territories.html
[#2] http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/3101.0/
[#3] There was a problem downloading the data for VK2, which was done a day later.
[#4] I've combined the population and area of the ACT and Jervoise Bay - I do not know if VK1 follows the same convention.
[#5] The ACMA RADCOM database holds a License Number, Category, Callsign, Ship Name, Client Number and Licensee. To produce these numbers Client Numbers and Licensees were combined where they were the same. For example, the Wireless Institute of Australia has three different Client Numbers with an identical Licensee. The WIA appears in several variations in spelling and state affiliation. These entities have been combined manually.
[#6] This combines licenses held by WIA, WIA NSW, WIA VIC, WICEN in several permutations and states.

[#7] This includes all licenses issued to an entity with the word "Scout" in it.
[#8] This includes all licenses issued to an entity with the words "Club", "Group" or "Assoc".

(Onno Benschop)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

British 'Phantom' star may tour to ISS

Singer Sarah Brightman may be the next paying passenger to ride a Russian rocket to the International Space Station, the Interfax news agency reported, citing an unidentified official in the space industry in Russia.

If it happens, Brightman, 52, would make the journey in 2015 and would be the first paying customer since Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberte who donned a red clown's nose during his 2009 trip, the official was cited as saying.

But seats on the three-person Soyuz capsules have become scarce since U.S. space agency NASA retired its space shuttles last year, leaving Russian rockets as the only craft capable of carrying crews to the station for now.

Brightman - who rose to fame starring in the original London and New York casts of "The Phantom of the Opera" - visited Russia about a month ago and received the approval of a medical commission to begin training at the Cosmonaut Training Centre outside Moscow, the source added.

http://uk.reuters.com/article/2012/08/22/uk-russia-space-tourism-idUKBRE87L0IU20120822

Gough Island pirate

Its seems the DX community has been duped on the Paul, ZD 9 KN, operation from Gough Island (AF-030).

ZD 9 KN is a Pirate!

Several sources report that Johan, ZS 1 A, has confirmed that the callsign ZD 9 KN has never been issued. So, OPDX say "do not waste time working this station if you hear him."

The good news is that Gerard ZS 6 KX/ZS 7 KX will be going to Gough Island sometime this month for one year. He is hoping to be issued the callsign ZD 9 KX and is awaiting for the approval/license. QSL route TBA.

Look for more details to be forthcoming.

(OPDX)

BBC TO TEST TURNING OFF MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMISSIONS

The British Broadcasting Corporation is running a five week trial of switching off existing Medium Wave services for four BBC local radio stations.

The experiment runs to the 24th of September and affects BBC Radio Kent, BBC Radio Lincolnshire, BBC Radio Merseyside and BBC Radio Nottingham.

The BBC say one way to make savings and preserve value to license fee payers is to switch off Medium Wave services EXCEPT where listeners depend upon Medium Wave as an alternative to FM or Digital Audio Broadcasting.

Medium Wave services in the UK mainly duplicate what is already available on FM and DAB.

Medium Wave is a European term that describes what we call the AM broadcast band here in VK.

The BBC notes that the aim of the trial is to get a better understanding of the impact of the loss of Medium Wave would have on its core listeners and also enable the broadcaster to ensure adequate coverage is available on other platforms in these regions.

(BBC)

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

UNESCO RECOGNIZES IRESC WITH SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE STATUS

A major coup for a relatively new ham radio emergency communications radio group. This as the United Nations Economic and Social Council known by the acronym UNESCO adopts the recommendation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to grant Special Consultative Status to the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition.

A group better known by its initials of IRESC.

For those who may have never heard of it, the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition bills itself as a global coalition of volunteer communicators, with dedicated members spread around the world providing assistance to those in need at all times of day or night. The main objectives of IRESC are to foster efficient collaboration between radio amateurs, extending friendships across the world and providing international emergency communication in times of need when all else fail.

Currently, IRESC has members in at least 40 countries. Most are also affiliated with national organizations such as the International Red Cross, the Salvation Army, the United Kingdom's RAYNET, the Israel's Magen David Adom, local amateur radio clubs, and many other groups the world over.

The decision to grant the International Radio Emergency Support Coalition this status was made at the recently concluded UNESCO session held in

July. More about this important milestone for
the IRESC can be found on-line at
www.irescintl.com

EARLY WARNING QUAKE DETECTION DEMONSTRATED AT CAL TECH

Earthquake prediction may be on the verge of
becoming a reality. This, following media
reports that a pair of temblors centred near
Yorba Linda, California were detected by a new
earthquake warning system that's being developed
at the California Institute of Technology.

A 4.5-magnitude quake struck one mile northeast
from Yorba Linda at 11:23 p.m. Tuesday, August
7th. About ten hours later another a 4.4
magnitude shaker struck two miles from the same location.

News reports quote Douglas Given from the U.S.
Geological Survey as saying that in the case of
the first event Cal Tech received about nine to
ten seconds warning before the strongest shaking
was felt at the facility. In regard to the
second quake the warning time was in the area of
four seconds. Cal Tech is located in Pasadena
California which is about 60 air miles from the two quake's epicentre.

Seismologists say that once the technology
advances, they should be able to quickly
determine a quake's magnitude and send that
information out to the public before the
strongest shaking waves reaches a given
location. In its current incarnation, the
early warning system sounds an audible alert,
shows a countdown timer and estimates the intensity of an earthquake.

Experiments in quake detection have been going on
for well over five decades but experts say that
this new prototype system is the first to ever
pick up quakes before the ground started shaking at its location.

NCDXF RECEIVES $4000 FUNDING BOOST

The Northern California DX Foundation is the recipient of a $4000 donation
from the Northern California DX Club. This is said to be the largest
donation ever received by the group from a club.

Of late more and more DX oriented clubs are making donations to the
Northern California DX Foundation. The organization thoroughly analyzes
the financial needs of planned DXpeditions and helps provide critical funding
to operations high on the DXers Most Wanted List. It's been said that without
support many DXpeditions would not be possible.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Ant-enna:

Radio tags aid hairy wood ant research

The BBC report that scientists investigating the behaviour of the UK's largest ant are to tag around 1,000 of the insects at a National Trust site in Derbyshire in the first study of its kind.

In the report Richard Black says:

Tiny radio tags will be glued to the backs of northern hairy wood ants, allowing researchers to study the ants' interaction with others within their own colony and between nests.

It is hoped the findings will help the National Trust look after the hairy wood ants, which are a protected species in the UK.

Watch Ant-enna: Radio tags aid hairy wood ant research
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-19365505

University of York scientists track insects by antennae
http://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/9892035.York_scientists_track_insects_by_antennae/

A lesson in efficiency - ants show the way
http://www.york.ac.uk/news-and-events/features/ant-research/

(SouthGate)

OPERATIONAL NEWS:-

WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Has 2 O 12 L broken a world record?

The RSGB reports that the team at 2 O 12 L, the amateur radio special event station for the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, believe that they have now broken the world record for the number of contacts by a Special Event Station.

It is believed the record was made by DQ 2006 X during the 2006 World Cup, their total was 47,790 contacts.

At 2142UTC on 21 August, 2 O 12 L made contact number 47,791.

The team would like to thank the thousands who have joined the pile-ups to contact 2 O 12 L and now they look forward to hitting their overall target of 60,000 QSOs.

2 O 12 L goes QRT on 9 September after the Paralympic Games' closing ceremony so there is still some time to work the station or get more band-slots.

http://www.2o12l.com/

(RSGB)

9/11 Special Event Stations

Members of the Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club (STARC), will be operational as N 1 Y, September 8th and 9th commemorating the September 11th, 2001, terrorist attacks.

They will be on 40/20/15 meters using CW and SSB.

N 3 U/F l t 93 (N3U/United Flight 93) to be activated once again between September 8-13th, to remind "Amateur Radio Operators World-Wide" of the tragic events that happened near "Shanksville (Pa), New York City and Washington DC, on September 11, 2001."

P 49 T (P 49 Towers) Aruba September 14-21st. QSL via W3BTX, by the W3 Bureau or direct. Don't QSL via the P4 Bureau or eQSL.

A pair of twinned Special Event Stations, GB 175 PO and TM 175 PO, are running in Dover and Calais to celebrate 175 years of P&O. Operation will be running till around September 10 approx. Both stations will have the opportunity to work from ferries at various times during the operation.

GB 0 TLR Railways on the Air

Southgate Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event station for the Railways on the Air event on 22nd and 23rd of September.

This is being run in conjunction with the North London Model Engineering Society at the Tyttenhanger Light Railway site near London Colney, Hertfordshire using call sign GB0TLR, the same callsign as used last year and operating on 20, 40 and 80 metres.

Two Croatian amateurs are with the NATO-led troops in Afghanistan. T 6 TJ and T 6 VT until the end of September. QSLs for both operators go via 9 A 6 AA.

Stefan is in Afghanistan until the end of this month (September.) He is active as T 6 SS and so far has been worked mainly on 20m.

PB 100 PREFIX, Netherlands Special Event

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the ITU Prefixes, look for special event station PB 100 PREFIX to be active between October 4-31st. QSL via PB 0 P.

After the tragic loss of the Titanic (Callsign MGY, the, "M", is from the Marconi company) in April 1912, there was an acknowledgement that there should be international standards for radio communications. Therefore, the leading colonial countries planned several meetings in the aftermath of the

loss of the Titanic.

For more details, visit: http://www.PB100PREFIX.nl

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER NETS
Friday 0730 UTC 7.065.5 with VK4CEU David.

Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
7.050 to 7.100
14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Recently the Canadian Paragliding National Championships were held and the "Radio Amateurs of Canada" became extremely concerned about the organizers assertion that all participants must use a VHF radio tuned to 146.415 Mhz.

This frequency is inside the two meter amateur allocation.

Industry Canada has advised that the group that that use of Amateur Radio Frequencies by persons who are not in possession of a valid Amateur Radio Operator's Certificate is not permitted.

The Paragliding group assured Industry Canada that all participants who used the channel were indeed holders of a certificate.

Additionally, Industry Canada has advised the group of a VHF frequency inside the Aeronautical Radio Frequency Band that has been allocated for their use on a Canada Wide basis.

(sourced to Bill Gade, VE4WO Regulatory Affairs Officer)

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

Amateur Radio Technical Article Archive

For the past 13 years John G8MNY has been producing technical bulletins for distribution by Packet Radio, now the collection of articles is available on the web.

The articles cover a wide range of subjects including Antennas, ATV, Broadcast, Modifications, Power Amplifiers and Portable and Mobile operation.

If you want to know how to make a Slim Jim antenna, a battery charger or a 12V Cow Fence for /P operation there's an article in the archive.

The extensive collection can be downloaded from
http://www.theskywaves.net/technical.html

Caterham Radio Group
http://www.theskywaves.net/

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN Victoria are involved in 2 events during the next quarter.
If you are available to participate in any of these events, please
get in touch with the contact listed for the event.

Saturday October 20th 2012
Mini Canoe Marathon
Echuca
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313
Email: gerwer01@gmail.com

Sunday October 21st 2012
Stockmans Rally
Big River
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565
Email: ifm@live.com.au

Rally Victoria is again being held in the forest area north of Warragul
Friday 16th and Saturday 17th November.

Rally Victoria is an Australian Rally Championship and Victorian Rally
Championship event.

On Friday, there will be 2 bush stages and on the Saturday, 5 stages.
Each stage will be run twice.

As previously, Rally HQ will be at Lardner Park. Event commander is
Chris VK3CJK. Communications will be required for logistics, safety, and
scoring, with scoring and car tracking via 2m packet and other functions
via 2m voice.

If you can assist with the event, could you please phone 51 955 247
in the evenings.

(John VK3ZRX)

Communications Support Event - Your Help Is Needed In VK4

Help is needed in providing sufficient manning for the following events -
family and support crews are also welcome to go along !

Sat 15 and Sun 16 Sept - TERAHA AEBM Endurance Ride Bluewater

Two full days of playing with radios in the field and helping watch over the horses and riders.

20 and 5km rides on Saturday arvo, 80 and 40km rides on Sunday.

Radio camp out at Ride Base Saturday Night.

Main comms will be on VHF, with some UHF-CB comms with horse riders and officials.

10am Saturday start at Ride Base, North Queensland Equestrian Centre, via Forestry Road.

If you can help contact the TATC on the VK4RAT repeater system.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

SEP 8 VK4 SUNFEST WOOMBYE. (Sunshine Coast).

oCT 5-7 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

OCT 21 VK3 BALLARAT HAMVENTION

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your item write in the 3rd person.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

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1636. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 30 August 2012

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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Smartphone and Kinect Satellite Presentations at Guildford

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Dr Chris Bridges recently appeared on the nationwide TV channel Sky News discussing why space is cool. On September 15-16 he will be giving two presentations to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ

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RSGB asks Region 1 EMC WG to reconsider PLT policy

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The RSGB has formally asked the IARU Region 1 EMC Working Group to reconsider its policy on the draft PLT standard that threatens a 38 dB increase in pollution over much of the short wave radio spectrum

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Re-instatement of Volunteer Examiner Qualifications

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Industry Canada has advised the Radio Amateurs of Canada that the Volunteer Examiner Qualifications of VA3MPM have been re-instated. Mr. Myers was the subject of a previous bulletin announcing that his qualifications had been revoked

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AHUKqlguHeE/august_30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It’s as plain as the nose on your face that this week is back to its more usual format of poor in the week building to a monster weekend especially Sunday

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RSGB Convention bookings and programme details

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The RSGB Convention early bird bookings have been extended to close on 3rd September

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Amateur radio operators formed chain of communication during Irene

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The Catskill Daily Mail reports that when all systems fail, the radio amateurs are king

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Claims for WAB Follow The Torch event

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Following the success of the Worked All Britain's Follow The Torch event, the group would like to remind potential claimants that claims for the award must be received by the Awards Manager, Darran Chappell, G0BWB by 31 August

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qQWu_kUq5tA/august_30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

1637. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 30 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 16:23:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410016af35004c87e18c6@google.com>
Source record: 2104
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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E27EK/p IOTA AS-107

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 11:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359627-E27EK-p-IOTA-AS-107&goto=newpost

E27EK/p will be active from IOTA AS-107 Si Chang Island CQ AA Dx Phone 1-2 Sep 2012

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LZ91BSS...

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 10:18 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359624-LZ91BSS&goto=newpost

any info?...

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5V7TH Togo

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 12:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359565-5V7TH-Togo&goto=newpost

ON4CIT will be active from Togo 26 October - 4 November 2012 as 5V7TH

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/5v7th_togo/

73 Al 4L5A

1638. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 30 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 16:44:16 UTC
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Hurricane Watch Net concludes 47 hour operation for Isaac

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 01:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359575-Hurricane-Watch-Net-concludes-47-hour-operation-for-Isaac&goto=newpost

The National Hurricane Center calls Tropical Storm/Hurricane Isaac the ☐Longest tropical storm in history.☐ After 47 hours of operation, the Hurricane Watch Net is closing down its operation. We received numerous reports that were reflected in forecasts and storm reports by the National Hurricane Center, with winds and flooding the predominant topic. At one point KF6UOZ reported mobile from within the eye of the storm itself as it moved through Houma, LA. We were in contact with several emergency operation centers and other safety service locations. The majority of our reports were from Ham Operators who were weathering the storm, yet who took the time to keep us informed. In the Ham Radio spirit of readiness, many of the stations we contacted were on stand-by generator power, some with temporary or storm-related antennas and most with quality weather measuring instruments. Many more stations stood by silently, waiting to relay if needed, and listening for the reports.

The Hurricane Watch Net☐s 47 hour run included a 31-hour continuous segment mostly on our home frequency of 14.325 but also on 40 meters as band conditions warranted. We are extremely grateful for those operators who provided reports and for those who showed us great courtesy by moving off frequency, or just allowed a clear slot for us to use. Thanks also to the nets who regularly used the frequencies for accommodating us.

Tropical Storm Isaac is by no means over. Extreme rains, flooding and even high winds are forecast to continue for days. However, the communication needs have now become much more local in nature. We wish those in the storm well; our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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Meet Young Ham of the Year Erin King AK4JG - HamRadioNow Episode 17

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 07:00 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359520-Meet-Young-Ham-of-the-Year-Erin-King-AK4JG-HamRadioNow-Episode-17&goto=newpost

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Episode 17: Newsline Young Ham of the Year - Erin King AK4JG

Erin King AK4JG is 18 and headed for MIT. She has an impressive track record so far, but

we suspect she's just getting started. Newsline selected her as the 2012 Young Ham of the Year,

and in this extended interview with HamRadioNow's KN4AQ, we think you'll see why.

Watch this episode at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

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1639. The ARRL Letter for August 30, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-30 22:49:34 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120830185603.0749826DB31@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: HAMS HEED THE CALL TO HELP AS ISAAC MAKES
LANDFALL, DOWNGRADED TO TROPICAL STORM

Seven years to the day that Hurricane Katrina smashed into New
Orleans, Hurricane Isaac came calling. But instead of making landfall
right at New Orleans like Katrina (a Category 3 storm) did on August
28, 2005, Isaac veered slightly to the west of the city. Through it
all, hams at WX4NHC -- the Amateur Radio station at the National
Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami, Florida -- and those supporting the
Hurricane Watch Net and the VoIP Hurricane Net, along with various nets
within the ARRL's Delta Division, relayed reports to their served
agencies on Isaac's progress and the damage the storm created in its
wake.

"Even though Isaac has made landfall and is currently tracking slowly
up Central Louisiana to Arkansas, hams in the Delta Division are not
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done," explained ARRL Delta Division Director David Norris, K5UZ. "We had quite a few nets running as Isaac came ashore, and some are still going on, relaying damage reports and assisting with health-and-welfare traffic. As the American Red Cross and other served agencies venture out in the field within the next few days to assess the damage created by Isaac, hams in the Delta Division are ready to assist these teams with whatever communications support is necessary. Just because Isaac itself is over, we know that storms like this can bring tornadoes, power outages and other weather events in their wake, and we are prepared to continue to provide any support that is needed." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-heed-the-call-to-help-as-isaac-makes-landfall-downgraded-to-tropical-storm>.

==> + ON THE AIR: 2012 ARRL FIELD DAY LOGS POSTED

More than 2600 submissions have been received for the 2012 running of ARRL Field Day <http://www.arrl.org/fieldday>. According to ARRL Field Day Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, this is another great showing for the number of entries received for what is one of Amateur Radio's most popular on-the-air operating events. The combined list of Logs Received for Field Day has been posted online <http://www.arrl.org/logs-received>. The list includes all logs submitted via the http://www.b4h.net/ website, as well as those submitted via e-mail and US Mail.

Because Field Day is not a "Cabrillo-format" event, there is no automated robot for processing entries. When you go to the website to see if your submission was received, look near the bottom of the page under "Other Reports." Click on the link to open the PDF for the 2012 listings. If you find your listing is missing, please contact Henderson via e-mail <n1nd@arrl.org> or by phone at 860-594-0200. If you find a typographical error in your listing -- or if your log is marked as a "Checklog" -- please contact Kathy Allison, KA1RWY, via e-mail <ka1rwy@arrl.org>. Logs marked as "Checklog" indicate that required information is missing that is still needed to properly process your entry. All problems must be resolved by Friday, August 31.

Henderson explained that the current list only shows general categories; the various sub-categories are added when the data is merged into the master database. Claimed scores or bonuses are also not included, as these are not publicized until the results are officially released. The results from the 2012 ARRL Field Day will be posted online on or around November 1, as well as in the December issue of QST. The 2013 ARRL Field Day is scheduled for June 22-23.

==> + ON THE AIR: GET IN ON THE VHF FUN IN THE 2012 ARRL SEPTEMBER VHF QSO PARTY

September is here -- and according to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, the VHF+ bands have been getting a workout: "If you've never experienced the fun of VHF+ operating, the 2012 ARRL

September VHF QSO Party the weekend of September 8-10 is a great place to start. With many HF radios now offering at least 6 meter SSB/CW capabilities -- and some offering 2 meters and 70 cm as well -- any amateur with a Technician class license or higher can experience long-haul communication on the VHF bands."

Kutzko explained that September -- as opposed to June with its sporadic-E openings -- is known for good tropospheric propagation. "In the past week, there have been some good tropo openings in the mornings on 2 meters along the Eastern seaboard and in the Midwest. There's even been a touch of sporadic-E propagation on 6 meters this week, primarily in the western half of the US. Couple the recent openings with talk among the VHF Hopeful of some F2 propagation on 6 meters (due to the upswing of Solar Cycle 24), and the potential for enhanced propagation during the contest looks favorable." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/get-in-on-the-vhf-fun-in-the-2012-arrl-september-vhf-qso-party>.

==> + IARU SUPPORTS PROPOSAL FOR .RADIO DOMAIN NAME

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has expressed public support for a .radio top-level domain name. Under the proposal as put forth by the European Broadcasting Union (EBU), registration will be available via the EBU to all eligible radio representative organizations and broadcasters, Internet radios, radio amateurs, radio professionals and their respective representative organizations, as well as companies providing radio-specific products and services in order to create a worldwide radio community. The proposal must be approved by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN <http://www.icann.org/>); this organization is responsible for the coordination of the global Internet's systems of unique identifiers and, in particular, ensuring its stable and secure operation. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/iaru-supports-proposal-for-b-radio-b-domain-name>.

==> + YOUTH AND AMATEUR RADIO: NORTH CAROLINA TEEN NAMED RECIPIENT OF ARRL'S 2011 HIRAM PERCY MAXIM AWARD

Derek Brown, W4DTB, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, was named the recipient of the 2011 Hiram Percy Maxim Award. Derek, who is 14, has been licensed since 2010 and holds an Amateur Extra class license.

Derek first became interested in Amateur Radio after reading an article in MAKE Magazine. "After I read the ARRL Ham Radio License Manual, I went to the local club, the Orange County Radio Amateurs (NCOCRA <http://ncocra.org/>) to take my Technician test," he told the ARRL. "That same evening, I met my Elmer, Bruce Meier, N1LN, who inspired me to finish the next two tests. He helped me build a station, including my first radio that I bought at a swap meet. With his help, I put up a vertical antenna in my backyard. Unfortunately, a tree knocked down the antenna about two weeks ago and broke the mounting bracket, so I'll be offline until after we get the replacement parts."

Meier recalled meeting Derek when he first came in to take his Technician exam in September 2010: "Derek had just turned 14. He had discovered Amateur Radio and was starting to get involved. His interest quickly grew, and by November 2010, he had his General ticket and then in March 2011, his Extra. In February 2011, Derek and his father went to a hamfest and found his first rig. Since Derek lives in an antenna-restricted area, he started to research different stealth antennas. As he wanted to start to work on his WAS, DXCC and WAC awards, and potentially get in involved in contesting (he got exposed to contesting at my QTH), he wanted something beyond stealth. So because of the woods behind his house, he was able to put up a vertical antenna and not bother any of the neighbors. He was now on the air."

Meier told the ARRL that Derek started out with SSB, but because of his skills in computers and computer programming, he became interested in the digital modes. "Derek modified his radio (by himself) and connected an interface board to enable the necessary control signals, wired up a home brew soundcard interface and was then able to operate digital modes," Meier explained. "He now operates PSK 31, RTTY PSK 63, Olivia 250, JT35 and even SSTV. Not bad for a 14 year old!" Derek is working on his CW skills, and recently earned his DXCC Award and only needs Vermont to complete his Worked All States Award. He also enjoys operating on the satellite modes, as well as developing software for his local HSMM Mesh.

Meier said that Derek competed with him and his team of operators in the 2011 CQ WW SSB contest. "We operated as a Multi/Two entry and were fortunate to place first in North America," he said. "Derek has also operated from his own home in the CQ WPX SSB Contest, the ARRL Rookie Roundup and several other contests."

Derek is also involved in public service activities. Meier's wife, Laurie Meier, N1YXU, was the ARES Emergency Coordinator for Orange County, North Carolina (she and Bruce are now Assistant Emergency Coordinators). Through them, Derek became interested in public service activities and started to take the various ICS courses. He has now taken and passed ICS 100, 200, 700, 800 and IS-3. Meier said that Derek is ready to help with ARES drills, public service events and ARES activations.

Derek is an active member of NCOCRA and his local ARES® group. He has worked with the club's public relations officer to revamp the club's website. He is the founder of the Youth Amateur Radio Club of America (YARCA <http://www.yarca.org/>), which aims to further youths in Amateur Radio; one of YARCA's initial target audiences is Scout troops. The site includes license test training and a Boy Scout Radio Merit Badge Workshop. Derek said he is currently planning for YARCA to hold a Badge Day for local Boy and Cub Scouts. He is also an ARRL Public Information Officer (PIO).

When not on the radio, Derek spends time as a Computer Science intern, where he is creating computer programs in a variety of languages. He is also a Lincoln-Douglas debater and will be traveling to tournaments

across the country this year. He will be entering his freshman year at Durham Academy in Durham, North Carolina this fall.

The Hiram Percy Maxim Award <http://www.arrl.org/hiram-percy-maxim-award> is given to an ARRL member under the age of 18. It is intended to provide a tangible reward to those deserving young amateurs who contribute their time, skills and energies daily through their commitment to Amateur Radio. As models for their peers, and inspirations to us all, these fine young people are highly visible boosters of Amateur Radio awareness. The ARRL continues to recognize and encourage their hard work and contributions at every opportunity.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "Everything under the Sun is in tune, but the Sun is eclipsed by the Moon <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EoD_SEoDPzc>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Although solar activity is quite low, there was an increase in sunspot numbers and the solar flux over the past week. The average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 20 points -- about 36 percent -- to 74.1, while the average daily solar flux increased nearly 13 points to 108.7. The latest forecast has activity over the next week a bit lower than what forecasts predicted a few weeks ago: Expected solar flux is 115 on August 30, 120 on August 31-September 2, 115 again on September 3-8, 110 on September 9-10, 105 on September 11-12, 100 on September 13-16, 95 on September 17-22, and then rising above 100 to a peak of 125 on September 26-28. The predicted planetary A index is 5, 10 and 8 on August 30-September 1, 5 on September 2-7, 8 on September 8-9, 5 on September 10-14, 12 on September 15-16, 8 on September 17-18, 5 on September 19, 8 on September 20-21, 10 on September 22, and 8 on September 23-25, followed by 5 on September 26 through the first few days in October. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, August 31. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by Pink Floyd's The Dark Side of the Moon <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Dark_Side_of_the_Moon> (Brain Damage <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brain_Damage_%28song%29>/Eclipse <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eclipse_%28song%29>).

==> + DXCC NEWS: DXCC DESK APPROVES 1998 XU1A CAMBODIAN DXPEDITION

After reviewing new information and documentation, the ARRL DXCC Desk has concluded that the 1998 XU1A DXpedition to Cambodia will be valid for DXCC credit. If you have had QSLs rejected for this operation, please send a request via e-mail <bmoore@arrl.org> to be placed on the list for update. If you remember the submission in which you included the QSL, please note this in your e-mail, as it will expedite the search for the rejected QSO.

==> + ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

ARRL Headquarters will be closed in observance of Labor Day on Monday, September 3. There will be no W1AW bulletin or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> that day. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Tuesday, September 4 at 8 AM Eastern Daylight Time. We wish everyone a safe and festive holiday weekend.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- August 31 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 1 -- Russian RTTY WW Contest; Wake-Up! QRP Sprint; AGCW Straight Key Party
- September 1-2 -- Colorado QSO Party; All Asian DX Contest (Phone); CWOps CW Open
- September 2 -- DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- September 2-3 -- Tennessee QSO Party
- September 3-4 -- Michigan QRP Labor Day CW Sprint
- September 4 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- September 7-8 -- PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80 Meter Sprint (local time)
- September 8-9 -- Arkansas QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (SSB)
- September 8-10 -- ARRL September VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf>
- September 9 -- North American Sprint (CW); SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; Swiss HTC QRP Sprint
- September 10 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- September 12-13 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 14-15 -- W9DXCC Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/w9dxcc-convention-2>, Elk Grove Village, Illinois
- September 15 -- ARRL Virginia Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-section-convention-virginia-beach-hamfest>, Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 22 -- ARRL Washington State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-36th-annual-spokane-hamfest>, Spokane Valley, Washington
- September 22-23 -- ARRL Illinois State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/illinois-state-convention-peoria-superfest-2012
>,
Peoria, Illinois
- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,
Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida

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1640. eHam.net News for Thursday 30 August 2012

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eHam.net News

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Hurricane Watch Net Isaac op Concludes:

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 04:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28890

The National Hurricane Center calls Tropical
Storm/Hurricane Isaac the "Longest tropical
storm in history." After 47 hours of
operation, the Hurricane Watch Net is closing
down its operation.

1641. [RAC-Bulletin] Special Event Station - ON44CLM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 01:36:03 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <504014E1.6030109@rac.ca>
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Special Event Station - ON44CLM
2012-08-30

The special event station ON44CLM will be qrv from 16/10/2012 until
15/11/2012. More info onhttp://www.on44clm.be/ <http://www.on44clm.be>.

The ON44CLM station is to remember that our town Knokke was liberated
by the Canadian Army in 1944. CLM stands for "Canadian Liberation March"

Greetings,

Patrick
ON7PP

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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1642. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 30 August 2012

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Date: 2012-08-31 02:10:16 UTC
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Message-ID: <14dae9340c33a2012a04c8864a52@google.com>
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Local Ham Radio Operators on Standby to Help Storm Victims - OzarksFirst.com

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 08:29 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHF8AN1hnPwjYonVt2PfQdEcl1YZQ&url=http://ozarksfirst.com/fulltext?nxd_id%3D695012

Local Ham Radio Operators on Standby to Help Storm Victims
OzarksFirst.com
said Rob Reid, Amateur Radio Operator. Reid is one of the 30,000 Amateur Radio Operators in Missouri that serves as a one-man-communication center. When the internet and smart phones fail, Ham Operators become the most reliable way to pass ...
Ham radio operators on stand by for Isaackjrh.com

all 2 news articles

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North Carolina Teen Named Recipient of ARRL's 2011 Hiram Percy Maxim Award:
- eHam.net

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFmK8RQGtt5vHUaSaBdR8pWewifvg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28893

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West Ham capture Carroll on year-long loan - talkSPORT.co.uk

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 12:52 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEoz8zLXiHONMwmEJg7BjG_wQVQhQ&url=http://www.talksport.co.uk/sports-news/football/premier-league/120830/west-ham-capture-carroll-year-long-loan-179905

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West Ham capture Carroll on year-long loan
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West Ham have clinched the signing of Andy Carroll on a season-long loan

deal from Liverpool. The England striker ... "Its great to be here at West Ham and all signed up - I just cant wait to get started now," Carroll told the clubs official website ...

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Amateur radio operators formed chain of communication during Irene - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 12:57 AM PDT
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Amateur radio operators formed chain of communication during Irene
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Len Signoretti N2LEN talked to Greene County legislators in a presentation during Augusts Public Safety Committee meeting, and gave them a recap of the work done by his team of Amateur Radio Emergency Service & Radio Amateurs Civil Emergency ...

1643. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 31 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 06:44:17 UTC
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Source record: 2110
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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North Cork Radio Group - Radio Rally and electronics fair - 9-Sep-2012

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359636-North-Cork-Radio-Group-Radio-Rally-and-electro
nics-fair-9-Sep-2012&goto=newpost

The North Cork Radio Group - RALLY

9-September-2012, Commons Inn Hotel, Cork

Doors open 11AM.

http://www.facebook.com/events/442902192408157/

Folks,

NCRG are pleased to announce their annual Radio Rally & Electronics Fair to
be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn,
Blackpool, Cork.

Doors open at 11am and admission is ☐5 per person (children are free).
Raffle tickets will also be available at the door.

The usual commercial and private traders will be present. This year we will
also have iRepairs (www.irepairs.ie), so bring your broken iPhone, iPad,
iPod; screen replacements, software repairs or upgrades available. AREN
(www.aren.ie) has kindly offered to have their ops-trailer on the premisis
as a demo station.

Also, due to high demand, anyone wishing to reserve a table, or anyone
interested in setting up a stall, should contact Edwin Van Mierlo (EI2HEB)
on 086 3885741, or alternatively via email at ei2heb@ei1nc.com, as soon as
possible to avoid disappointment. Book your tables now!!

Lots of traders, AREN demo station, and offcourse a good opportunity to
meet, greet, and have a chat!

Hope to see you all there!

Rgds,

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1644. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-052E - Ontario Section News - 2012-08-30

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 07:47:34 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50406BF9.50700@rac.ca>
Source record: 2111
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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RAC Bulletin 2012-052E - Ontario Section News - 2012-08-30*

2012-08-30

All Ontario Amateurs - MESSAGE TO ALL AMATEURS THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT & WELCOME TO THE NEW ONTARIO RESTRUCTURING

As you are aware changes have been made and now are ready to launch September 01, 2012 here in Ontario on behalf of the Radio Amateurs of Canada in relation to the Ontario Field Services. In the past Ontario has been served by one elected official of Field Services that being the Ontario Section Manager. For the last 7 years I have had the honour and pleasure to be elected and serve as your Ontario representative for Field Services on behalf of RAC. This position brought responsibilities of overseeing the field services in Ontario including ARES, the NTS, Official Bulletin Service and the Official Observer Service. I have had the opportunity to work with many wonderful and knowledgeable amateurs in these services and the wealth of experience in the province is second to none. However I also have been around long enough to realize that one person and one person alone cannot do justice to the job it deserves.

I know that during my time I have spent relentless hours on e-mails and discussing issues with many amateurs over the phone. In reality these concerns should be addressed face to face. I am a firm believer that for RAC to flourish in the future you need to have personal, interaction with your RAC official. Living in Northern Ontario and working full time I did not have the luxury to visit many clubs or ARES groups. I have met many of you at flea markets and meetings but you need to have there ability to contact your RAC Official when you need him/her. This is why I am excited about the new restructuring proposal undertaking by RAC. With three more additional Section Managers in the province representing their section of the province there is the opportunity to get more interaction. Each Section having a coordinator for the field services will only work better and represent all of you and make RAC stronger as a national organization. One of my last duties as Ontario Section Manager is to welcome the three additional members to the Ontario Team.

* Section Manager Ontario South Ian Snow VA3QT Ontario South - ONS
* Section Manager GTA George Duffield VE3WKJ Greater Toronto Area - GTA
* Section Manager Ontario East Michael Hickey VE3IPC - Ontario East - ONE

I know these three experienced amateurs will serve the amateur community well and I look forward to the new direction Ontario is taking and working with these fine gentlemen. Having served as Section Manager for all of Ontario for the past 7 years I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you that have supported me and my field services members over the years. Your commitment to the program has been proven many times over. I look forward to serving the members of Northern Ontario as your Section Manager for Ontario North - ONN. As always I am open to any questions or concerns that you may have. Please feel free to contact me at anytime. I look forward to this new process and the exciting times ahead for Field Services and RAC.

Yours Truly

Allan Boyd - VE3AJB
Section Manager - Ontario
Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1645. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1829 - August 31 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 09:00:15 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120831090004.57E5733C7E@panix2.panix.com>
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1829 - August 31 2012

The following is a closed circuit and is not necessarily for air. With a report on the Amateur Radio Newsline current financial picture here's our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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Well, the last time I was on here with a financial report I told you that I thought we had enough in the bank to hopefully hold us over the summer months June, July and August, and that I would not be asking for any contributions unless the sky was falling. Sadly, the sky is falling this year. This is mainly because we did not get some of the larger donations that we have come to count on to keep us going over the lean summer months when people are away on vacation.

Right now, we only have a couple of hundred dollars left in our bank account. Most of that will vanish as we pay off our financial obligation in regard to presenting this years Young Ham of the Year Award and the outstanding bills for the month of August which are quickly piling up. And unlike the years up through October 2009 when I retired from full time employment, I'm now living on fixed income and honestly cannot afford to underwrite the cost of bringing these newscasts to you.

To be candid, I do not like to lead off a newscast with an appeal such as this, but we have no other method of getting the word out to you that we need your financial assistance to keep Amateur Radio Newsline on the air, and that we need it now. To all of us involved, each donation is looked upon as an ongoing vote of confidence in the quality of the news and information that we provide each week. And for this I add my personal thank you.

Remember, Amateur Radio Newsline is a 501c3, not for profit corporation and your donations are tax deductible. The easiest way to donate is by going to our website at www.arnewsline.org and clicking on the Pay Pal button. Or you can mail a donation to the address you will hear at the end of this weeks newscast.

Whichever method you choose, the all volunteer Amateur Radio Newsline team says thank you so much for caring. We promise to do all that we can to continue bringing you the news and information you want to hear about amateur radio and personal communications in the coming years.

Thank you. I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and now this weeks newscast.

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Thanks bill. Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1829 with a release date of August 31 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Amateur radio assists as Hurricane Isaac hits the U.S. Gulf shore; the London Olympics ham radio station may have set a world record and a star is found devouring a planet. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1829 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO WAS READY FOR HURRICANE ISAAC

Amateur radio first responders along the United States Gulf shore were ready when Hurricane Isaac slammed ashore on August 28th and 29th. We have the more in this report:

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As Hurricane Isaac made its way across the Gulf of Mexico and then made landfall several miles West of New Orleans, Louisiana, members of the Hurricane Watch Net took to the air to track its approach:

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(Ham in Florida) ".Victor-Radio-4-Golf. The handle here is Bill and Im located in Pensacola, Florida and we've had some winds gusts up to about 44 miles an hour. We went out for a ride along the beach this afternoon and they do now have some roads closed and water was coming over the sand dunes and starting to flood some of the roads, over"

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While band conditions on 20 and 40 meters were not the greatest, the net continued and began passing storm conditions to the National Hurricane Center in Miami:

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(Ham in New Orleans: ".we have wind gusts of about 70 to 75 miles per hour right now. Its really coming bad on us but my antenna is located in the attic."

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One report was rather interesting from a scientific point of view:

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(Ham in New Orleans) "The Mississippi river at the Carrolton gate in New Orleans is flowing backward."

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Also taking reports for the National Hurricane Center was the V-O-I-P Hurricane Watch net. This group gathers information mainly from local repeaters within the storm area and also passes it along to the National Hurricane Center:

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(VoIP Net Audio) "K3-November-Foxtrot-Uniform in Slidell, Louisiana. Estimated winds of 30 and no rain as of this time."

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Hams on the V-O-I-P net also provided ongoing damage assessment:

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(VoIP Net Audio) "I was informed that the power has hone out in mid-city New Orleans, Louisiana near the steets of Murat and Bowden."

"Roger. I have Murast and Bowden. Did I copy correctly that was mid-city New Orleans?"

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As this report is being prepared, Issac has been downgraded from a category 1 hurricane to a tropical storm but is soaking Louisiana and surrounding states for yet another day. As such, the job of ham radio operators in coping with the storm is far from over.

With thanks to K3VR for the recordings of the 20 meter Hurricane Watch Net, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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We will have more on the role of amateur radio in the wake of Hurricane Isaac in upcoming Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ARNewsline(tm) with audio from Hurricane Watch Net and VoIP Hurricane Watch Net.)

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RADIO LAW: IARU SAYS IT WOULD WELCOME DOT RADIO DOMAIN

The International Amateur Radio Union says that it will back the European Broadcasting Union proposal that the top level Internet domain dot radio be used to help to create a global radio community. IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, says that his organization believes that the proposal, to be submitted by the European Broadcast Union, could provide a unique opportunity to standardize radio domain names on the Internet.

In a recently made public letter, VE6SH said that he recommends that the dot radio domain proposal be approved by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers. European Broadcast Union Director General, Ingrid Deltenre said the International Amateur Radio Union comments are an expression of confidence in the proposal. The complete

story on the new dot radio domain and how it will impact all spectrum users is on-line at tinyurl.com/iaru-dot-radio (IARU, VK3PC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: LONDON OLYMPICS COMMEMORATIVE STATION MAY HAVE SET WORLD RECORD

The Radio Society of Great Britain reports that the team at 2O12L, the amateur radio station for the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, believe that they have now broken the world record for the number of Q-S-O's by a Special Event Station. As of 21:42 UTC on August 21st, 2O12L had logged contact number 47,791.

2O12L goes QRT on September 9th at the end of the Paralympic Games closing ceremony. As such the operators are fairly confident that they can achieve their target of 60,000 contacts.

It is believed the previous standing record for a ham radio Special Event station was held by the group that operated DQ2006X during the 2006 World Cup. That station was on the air from May 13th through July 16th of 2006 and made 47,790 contacts.

More on the operation of 2O12L is on-line at www.2O12L.com. (RSGB)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: APRS TO ASSIST VULTURE 2 SPACEPLANE TRACKING

The Low Orbit Helium Assisted Navigator Vulture 2 space plane will carry an amateur radio Automatic Packet Reporting System or APRS system.

The UK newspaper the Register reports that Anthony Stirk, M-Zero-U-P-U, who was involved in the Raspberry Pi In The Sky mission, is working on the custom control board for the Vulture 2 space plane.

As of now, the communications subsystem has a Radiometrix 300 milliwatt HX1 144 MHz band module for APRS and a Radiometrix 10 milliwatt NTX2 433 MHz band module for RTTY. More information on frequencies will ve announced at a later date.

More on this upcoming near to space adventure can be read on-line at tinyurl.com/vulture-2. And we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks newscast. (UK Register)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9RCA repeater serving Indianapolis, Indiana.

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RADIO LAW: VOTE ON ADDING ENGINEERS TO COMMISSION STAFF SEEMS STALLED IN CONGRESS

Legislation working its way Congress that would add a technical expert to the staff of each FCC commissioner may not come up for a vote this fall. This is because the House and Senate versions of the bill to allow each of the five commissioners to hire one additional staff engineer are still in committee. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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Maine Republican Senator Olympia Snowe introduced S. 611 in May 2011. The measure seeks to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide commissioners additional technical expertise. However Snowe's intention to retire at the end of this year has led supporters to push for a vote before the end of this Congressional term.

The companion House companion measure is H.R. 2102: FCC Commissioners' Technical Resource Enhancement Act. The Society of Broadcast Engineers better known as the SBE is a major supporter of these two pieces of legislation. In a recent press statement, SBE President Ralph Hogan said that his organization has scheduled a trip to Washington to meet with key members of Congress in Washington, This to further groups efforts to move the bills through the House and Senate before the end 2012.

However, SBE General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, acknowledged in a column that appeared in the August edition of the SBE publication "The Signal" that time is of the essence.

According to Imlay, the SBE's last chance this fall to get H.R. 2102 through the House is `on suspension.' That means the measure is without the usual hearing and report procedure.

To move a bill along in these cases normally requires that the bill have a large number of cosponsors. Imlay says that in an election year, this is not easy, noting that there are only four co-sponsors for the House bill now.

Currently, FCC commissioners can appoint only three legal advisors to counsel the Commissioners on the wired, wireless and cable media. As part of its legislative agenda, the Society of Broadcast Engineers has sought greater technical expertise on the commission for several years.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Passage of these measures is important to the ham radio community as it will put technical expertise to the highest level of the Commission which for decades has lead primarily by members of the legal profession

rather than technologists and engineers. This could lead to a better understanding of our needs than is possible right now. (SBE, RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: RAC ACTS TO PREVENT UNLAWFUL USE OF 2 METERS BY PARAGLIDING COMPETITION

Radio Amateurs of Canada took action after a Paragliding competition in British Columbia told its contestants to communicate using a frequency in the 2 meter amateur band. Bob Holowenko, VE7WNK, has more:

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Radio Amateurs of Canada received a report by a British Columbia ham who notified them of what appeared to be the use of the two meter band for the operation of a paragliding competition. Dave Cameron, VE7LTD, witnessed this radio traffic and I was able to talk with him over the phone.

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VE7LTD: "I was at a local repeater site helping the locals there by doing a sweep trying to find a source of interference. I had my HP8920A Service Monitor and I was monitoring around the band trying to find what the sources of intermod could be, and I noticed a few spikes in the ham band. Knowing that there is not a lot of VHF activity in the Pemberton area, I decided to tune into each of those and one was on 146.415 simplex where I heard lots of intercommunication between both paragliders in the air and some kind of race coordination on the ground."

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This "race coordination" which Dave was hearing was the Canadian Paragliding National Championships held in Pemberton, BC. Dave reported this to The Radio Amateurs of Canada who became extremely concerned about the organizers assertion that all participants must use a VHF radio tuned to 146.415 Mhz for launching and landing.

Southern BC is popular for paragliding and hangliding thrill seekers, and the ham community here knows many of those who take part in these events are licensed hams, however it has become apparent that many are not.

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VE7LTD: "There was never a call sign used, and never any identification used. Although the communication was very structures, you could tell it was not by ham operators"

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Dave did go on to say that of the registered Canadian participants at the event, at least 40% of their names were found in the Ras=dio

Amateurs of Canada database.

RAC has been in contact with representatives from the Paragliding community and has also requested enforcement action to be taken by government officals at Industry Canada.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bob Holowenko, VE7WNK, in Vancouver, British Columbia.

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According to Radio Amateurs of Canada, protecting the ham radio spectrum from intruders is all in a days work for the group. (RAC, VE7WNK)

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HELPING HAMS: RFINDER.NET SEEKS INPUT FROM FREQUENY COORDINATORS

The on-line repeater directory RFinder is inviting Frequency Coordinators to use the World Wide Radio Directory help them in conducting their work. The hams who operate RFinder say that they have already heard from several frequency coordinators who have told them that being able to see the repeaters across borders is very helpful. As such, RFfinder says that frequency coordinators in several countries are using RFinder/Web as a tool in their activities. They are also looking to compile a wish list from the coordination community to build a special portal for them to have the tools they need to make frequency coordination easier. If you are a coordinator who wants to contribute to this wish list please send your thoughts by e-mail to w2cyk (at) rfinder (dot) net. You lraen more about RFinder and the services that it provides all who use repeaters on-line at www.rfinder.net. (RFinder)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARRL CENTENNIAL CONVENTION IN HARTFORD CT

On the ham radio social scene, the ARRL has announced the organization will hold its 2014 national Centennial Convention in Hartford, Connecticut, from July 17th to the 20th. The Convention will mark 100 years of the ARRL's founding that took place in the city of Hartford. The theme for ARRL's Centennial year is Advancing the Art and Science of Radio Since 1914. More information is on-line at www.arrl.org/expo. (ARRL)

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RADIO HAPPENINGS: NRCDXAS SWITCHING FROM TAPE TO CD MAILOUTS

According to Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, the September and October issues of the National Radio Club's D-X Audio Service will be the last to issue on cassette tape. Beginning in November these reports will switch distribution to CD's after 27 years of tape mailouts.

Fred asks that if you know someone who is blind or otherwise visually impaired, and who loves the topic of broadcast radio, to please tell them about the DX Audio Service. More information about it can be found on-line at www.nrcdxas.org. (W8HDU)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: BRITISH SOPRANO SARAH BRIGHTMAN MAY BE THE NEXT SPACE TOURIST

A world famous entertainer may be the next to travel to the International Space Station. Amateur Radio Newsline's George Bowen, W2XBS, has the details:

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British soprano Sarah Brightman could become the next space tourist to visit the International Space Station. This according to a senior official at the Russian Space Agency who hinted on August 22nd that the 52 year old songstress best known for her creating the role of Christine Daae' in the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical The Phantom of the Opera is being considered as candidate for such a trip.

The Interfax news agency cited a space industry source as saying that the name of the next space tourist, who will most likely fly to the ISS in 2015, will be officially announced in around a month. The source also told Interfax that Brightman visited Russia around a month ago and was given the go-ahead by the medical commission to train at the Yuri Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Centre in Star City outside Moscow.

Previous space tourists visiting the ISS have included the Canadian founder of the Cirque du Soleil, Guy Laliberte, and computer game creator Richard Garriott, W5KWQ. As most of you know, Richard Garriott is the son of retired Astronaut Owen Garriott, W5LFL, who was the first radio amateur to ever operate from space. This on shuttle mission STS-9. Iranian-American entrepreneur Anousheh Ansari is so far the only woman to make the trip to the I-S-S.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm George Bowen, W2XBS, in Albany, New York.

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More about Sarah Brightman's proposed trip to Earth orbit is on-line at tinyurl.com/brightman-iss. (Interfax, AFP)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: MIRAGE AND RF CONCEPTS FOUNDER EVERETT GRACY, WA6CBA - S.K.

The man responsible for many pieces of equipment in the shacks of so many hams has become a silent key at age 91. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, brings us the story of Everett Gracey, WA6CBA.

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On Sunday morning, August 26, the Amateur Radio world lost a gentle giant, as Everett Gracey, WA6CBA became a silent key. For the many of us who knew Everett, it is loss unlike any other. We have lost a great source of knowledge, but most of all, a dear friend. For everyone else who did not know him, the word "giant" is not adequate to describe him. His contributions to the Amateur Radio world were immeasurable.

For those of you who ever owned a piece of gear with the name RF Concepts or Mirage Communications on it, you held a piece of his life and legacy, since he was a co-founder of both companies, which he started with Ken Holaday, K6HCP. Later in life Everett became a consultant to LDG Electronics, who, according to Everett put out one of the greatest automatic antenna tuners on the market, and are sold world wide.

Everett spent most of his life in and around Reno, Nevada, where he married his wife Dorothy on July 6, 1940. He was devoted to her, since she was always first and foremost in his mind. He took care of her in their later years, and finally, it was his concern for her well being that prompted his move from Reno to Grass Valley, California, so that her care could be shared with medical professionals.

Everett was also a decorated veteran, who fought in with the Army in Europe during WWII, and was awarded both the Bronze Star and Silver Star for bravery in Germany. He was also recipient of the Purple Heart. He was also author of several books, "From A 13 year old Hobo to an Entrepreneur" "My 20 Years of RV Adventures" and "Buying and Selling Real Estate by Owner". One of my most treasured possessions is an autographed copy of his autobiographical book, "From Freight Trains to Airplanes", published in 1999.

Everett was always ready to lend a friendly hand with a good piece of advice, Elmering and plenty of wisdom which helped many a ham in need, and always seemed to have exactly what they needed to complete the project, or get back on the air. He even gave away parts used for fixing antennas and gear, at no charge.

As a dear mutual friend of Everett's and mine said of his passing, Everett, "I will miss you.you rascal..Oh, and while you are winging your way around the heavens, and you had best not tamper with my RF signal when I am attempting to work DX, or someday, you and I will have a long discussion about that!".

With sincere thanks to Joe Wolfe, WA6RKN for his informative help, for the Amateur Radio Newsline, this is Don Carlson, KQ6FM in Reno.

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Per his request no service or memorial will be held. Instead his ashes will be placed next to his wife Dorothy. Everett and Dorothy Gracey had been married 70 years. (KQ6FM, WA6RKN)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KEPLARIAN ELEMENTS CHANGE WITH ISS HIGHER ORBIT

Space-Travel.com reports on August 22nd that a European ATV-3 unmanned supply spacecraft was used to raise the International Space Station's orbit to about 261 miles. The orbit adjustment was done in two stages, with the ATV-3 engines firing for 348 seconds to lift the orbit to 257 miles followed by another burn four hours later that brought the space station to its final altitude.

The maneuver was conducted to prepare for the return to earth of Russia's Soyuz TMA-04M manned spacecraft on September 17 and the docking of the Soyuz TMA-06M manned spacecraft with the ISS on October 15th. For amateur radio space enthusiasts this means that you will have to readjust your Keplarian elements when tracking the I-S-S at its new higher altitude. The complete story of this orbital maneuver is on-line at tinyurl.com/ISS-Reboost. (ANS, Spece-Travel.com)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2012 AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

AMSAT says that registration for its 2012 Space Symposium is now open on-line. To register over the World-Wide-Web simply take your computer to store (dot) amsat (dot) org/catalog and click on the "AMSAT 2012 Symposium" item in the top left box.

A mail-in option is also available for those who wamt to register the old fashioned way. A downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page at tinyurl.com/amsat-2012-reg.

This years AMSAT Space Symposium takes place October 26th through the 28th at the Holiday Inn Orlando-International Airport in Orlando, Florida. This hotel is located at only one mile north of the Orlando International Airport. at 5750 T.G. Lee Blvd, in Orlando. (AMSAT)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CPUT CUBESAT TO LAUNCH END NOVEMBER

A CubeSat designed and built by students at the Cape Peninsular University of Technology in Bellville, South Africa, will be launched towards the end of November.

Still known by its engineering name ZA Cube-1, the satellite will be shipped in the next few weeks to Holland. There it will be integrated with two other CubeSats in the launch carrier before being shipped for integrating with the rocket.

ZA Cube-1 is rare for a ham radio bird in that it carries a High Frequency transmitter operating on 14.099 MHz in the 20 meter band. Also on-board is a small camera and a telemetry transmitter. (SARL)

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DX

In DX, N6MW and possibly 1 or 2 other operators will be active stroke KH8 from American Samoa between November 8th and the 19th. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters using mainly CW, but some SSB and RTTY. QSL via Logbook of the World.

A group of radio amateurs from Poland will be on the air as 5T0SP from Mauritania between November 24th and December 10th. Their activity will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. As of airtime no QSL route has been announced

Bill Moore, NC1L, at the ARRL says that the 1998 X-U-one-A operation from Cambodia has been approved for DXCC Credit. Moore says that if you have had QSLs rejected please send an e-mail to bmoore (at) arrl (dot) org to be placed on the list for update. If you remember the submission in which you included the QSL please note this to expedite the search for the rejected QSO.

Lastly, SM0JHF reports that he has retired and can no longer afford sending out QSL cards automatically. He notes that for the past 50 years that he has personally filled out and shipped more than 100,000 QSL cards for his activities using numerous past callsigns. He says that he will clean house and dispose of blank cards by the end of this year. If you need a card for any of his calls please contact him by e-mail to sm0jhf (at) gmail (dot) com. A complete list of his operations over the years is under SM0JHF on QRZ.com

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: STAR FOUND DEVOURING PLANET

And finally this week, radio and radio astronomy have brought some new light on the way nature works out in the cosmos. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, takes us to the far reaches of space:

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Astronomers have found evidence of a planet being devoured by its star, yielding insights into the fate that will befall Earth several billions years in the future.

The team uncovered the signature of the planet that had been absorbed by looking at the chemistry of the host star. They also think a surviving planet circling this star may have been kicked into its unusual orbit by the destruction of a neighboring world.

The US-Polish-Spanish team made the discovery when they were studying the star BD+48 740 - which is one of a stellar class known as red giants. Rising temperatures near the cores of red giants cause these elderly stars to expand in size. This in turn results in any nearby planets to be absorbed by the expanding star or otherwise destroyed.

It's the way of the universe now brought to us thanks to the art of radio and the science of Astronomy.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Details of the work have been published in Astrophysical Journal Letters. The complete story is on-line at tinyurl.com/planet-hungry-star. (ScienceToday, BBC, others)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, wishing you a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend. 73 and as always, we thank you for listening.

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1646. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 31 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 11:08:42 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51f987b4d8ba804c88dd030@google.com>
Source record: 2113
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Typhoon wreaks havoc on Korea

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WVMlWZzJQcQ/typhoon_wreaks_havoc_on_korea.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As the powerful storm Typhoon Bolaven battered South Korea radio amateurs joined the response and recovery efforts to minimise the toll and damage

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How a Crystal Radio works

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O7lKdYosbmg/how_a_crystal_radio_works.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video gives full details of how a crystal radio works, right down to the electron level

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Hackers plan new Foundation training course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vWij86PFRXA/hackers_plan_new_foundation_training_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hackers at London Hackspace in Shoreditch are planning another amateur radio Foundation training course

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Apollo 11 heard by Ham Radio Operator

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C_G6gtUoo60/apollo_11_heard_by_ham_radio_operator.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A YouTube video contains a recording of the Apollo-11 astronauts on the Moon that was made by radio amateur Larry Baysinger W4EJA in July 1969

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Delhi Radio Hams Podcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4FOjRCVD87o/delhi_radio_hams_podcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first 3 episodes of the Delhi Radio Hams podcast have been released on YouTube. The podcasts are produced by Show Wave Listeners (SWL's) Kaustav and Tarveen

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HamRadioNow interviews Young Ham of the Year

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pH_bapJFjWk/hamradionow_interviews_young_ham_of_the_year.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Erin King AK4JG is Newsline's Young Ham of the Year for 2012. She's just starting her Freshman year at MIT. Yes, she's exceptional, but she exhibits the qualities we like to see in every young ham

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Marco Tempest: The electric rise and fall of Nikola Tesla

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pMDp1PI7n3o/marco_tempest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Combining projection mapping and a pop-up book, Marco Tempest tells the visually arresting story of Nikola Tesla - called 'the greatest geek who ever lived' - from his triumphant invention of alternating current to his penniless last days

1647. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 31 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 16:10:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340c33fe8bb904c8920649@google.com>
Source record: 2114
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Nation 62: Hurricane Party

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359734-Ham-Nation-62-Hurricane-Party&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 62: Hurricane Party is now available for download and viewing at
http://twit.tv/hn .

Hurricane Issac coverage, Using an Antenna Tuner, Soldering a Type N
connector and more.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1829 August 31 2012

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 08:43 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359730-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1829--August-31-2012&goto=newpost

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Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1829 ☐ August 31 2012

The following is a closed circuit and is not necessarily for air. With a report on the Amateur Radio Newsline current financial picture here☐s our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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Well, the last time I was on here with a financial report I told you that I thought we had enough in the bank to hopefully hold us over the summer months June, July and August, and that I would not be asking for any contributions unless the sky was falling. Sadly, the sky is falling this year. This is mainly because we did not get some of the larger donations that we have come to count on to keep us going over the lean summer months when people are away on vacation.

Right now, we only have a couple of hundred dollars left in our bank account. Most of that will vanish as we pay off our financial obligation in regard to presenting this years Young Ham of the Year Award and the outstanding bills for the month of August which are quickly piling up. And unlike the years up through October 2009 when I retired from full time employment, I☐m now living on fixed income and honestly cannot afford to underwrite the cost of bringing these newscasts to you.

To be candid, I do not like to lead off a newscast with an appeal such as this, but we have no other method of getting the word out to you that we need your financial assistance to keep Amateur Radio Newsline on the air, and that we need it now. To all of us involved, each donation is looked upon as an ongoing vote of confidence in the quality of the news and information that we provide each week. And for this I add my personal thank you.

Remember, Amateur Radio Newsline is a 501c3, not for profit corporation and your donations are tax deductible. The easiest way to donate is by going to our website at www.arnewsline.org and clicking on the Pay Pal button. Or you can mail a donation to the address you will hear at the end of this weeks newscast.

Whichever method you choose, the all volunteer Amateur Radio Newsline team says thank you so much for caring. We promise to do all that we can to continue bringing you the news and information you want to hear about amateur radio and personal communications in the coming years.

Thank you. I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, and now this weeks newscast.

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Thanks bill. Now, Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1829 with a release date of August 31 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Amateur radio assists as Hurricane Isaac hits the U.S. Gulf shore; the London Olympics ham radio station may have set a world record and a star is found devouring a planet. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1829 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO WAS READY FOR HURRICANE ISAAC

Amateur radio first responders along the United StatesGulf shore were ready when Hurricane Isaac slammed ashore on August 28th and 29th. We have the more in this report:

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As Hurricane Isaac made its way across the Gulf of Mexico and then made landfall several miles West of New Orleans, Louisiana, members of the Hurricane Watch Net took to the air to track its approach:

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(Ham in Florida) ☐ Victor-Radio-4-Golf. The handle here is Bill and Im located in Pensacola, Florida and we☐ve had some winds gusts up to about 44 miles an hour. We went out for a ride along the beach this afternoon and they do now have some roads closed and water was coming over the sand dunes and starting to flood some of the roads, over☐

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While band conditions on 20 and 40 meters were not the greatest, the net continued and began passing storm conditions to the NationalHurricaneCenter in Miami:

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(Ham in New Orleans: ☐ we have wind gusts of about 70 to 75 miles per hour right now. Its really coming bad on us but my antenna is located in the attic.☐

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One report was rather interesting from a scientific point of view:

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(Ham in New Orleans) ☐The Mississippi river at the Carrolton gate in New Orleans is flowing backward.☐

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Also taking reports for the NationalHurricaneCenter was the V-O-I-P Hurricane Watch net. This group gathers information mainly from local repeaters within the storm area and also passes it along to the NationalHurricaneCenter:

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(VoIP Net Audio) ☐K3-November-Foxtrot-Uniform in Slidell, Louisiana. Estimated winds of 30 and no rain as of this time.☐

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Hams on the V-O-I-P net also provided ongoing damage assessment:

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(VoIP Net Audio) ☐I was informed that the power has hone out in mid-city New Orleans, Louisiana near the steets of Murat and Bowden ☐

☐Roger. I have Murast and Bowden. Did I copy correctly that was mid-city New Orleans?☐

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As this report is being prepared, Issac has been downgraded from a category 1 hurricane to a tropical storm but is soaking Louisiana and surrounding states for yet another day. As such, the job of ham radio operators in coping with the storm is far from over.

With thanks to K3VR for the recordings of the 20 meter Hurricane Watch Net, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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We will have more on the role of amateur radio in the wake of Hurricane Isaac in upcoming Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ARNewsline with audio from Hurricane Watch Net and VoIP Hurricane Watch Net.)

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RADIO LAW: IARU SAYS IT WOULD WELCOME DOT RADIO DOMAIN

The International Amateur Radio Union says that it will back the European Broadcasting Union proposal that the top level Internet domain dot radio be used to help to create a global radio community. IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, says that his organization believes that the proposal, to be submitted by the European Broadcast Union, could provide a unique opportunity to standardize radio domain names on the Internet.

In a recently made public letter, VE6SH said that he recommends that the dot radio domain proposal be approved by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers. European Broadcast Union Director General, Ingrid Deltenre said the International Amateur Radio Union comments are an expression of confidence in the proposal. The complete story on the new dot radio domain and how it will impact all spectrum users is on-line at tinyurl.com/iaru-dot-radio (IARU, VK3PC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: LONDON OLYMPICS COMMEMORATIVE STATION MAY HAVE SET WORLD RECORD

The Radio Society of Great Britain reports that the team at 2O12L, the amateur radio station for the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, believe that they have now broken the world record for the number of Q-S-O s by a Special Event Station. As of 21:42 UTC on August 21st, 2O12L had logged contact number 47,791.

2O12L goes QRT on September 9th at the end of the Paralympic Games closing ceremony. As such the operators are fairly confident that they can achieve their target of 60,000 contacts.

It is believed the previous standing record for a ham radio Special Event station was held by the group that operated DQ2006X during the 2006 World Cup. That station was on the air from May 13th through July 16th of 2006 and made 47,790 contacts.

More on the operation of 2O12L is on-line at www.2O12L.com. (RSGB)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: APRS TO ASSIST VULTURE 2 SPACEPLANE TRACKING

The Low Orbit Helium Assisted Navigator Vulture 2 space plane will carry an amateur radio Automatic Packet Reporting System or APRS system.

The UK newspaper the Register reports that Anthony Stirk, M-Zero-U-P-U, who was involved in the Raspberry Pi In The Sky mission, is working on the custom control board for the Vulture 2 space plane.

As of now, the communications subsystem has a Radiometrix 300 milliwatt HX1 144 MHz band module for APRS and a Radiometrix 10 milliwatt NTX2 433 MHz band module for RTTY. More information on frequencies will ve announced at a later date.

More on this upcoming near to space adventure can be read on-line at tinyurl.com/vulture-2. And we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks newscast. (UK Register)

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BREAK 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9RCA repeater serving Indianapolis, Indiana.

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RADIO LAW: VOTE ON ADDING ENGINEERS TO COMMISSION STAFF SEEMS STALLED IN CONGRESS

Legislation working its way Congress that would add a technical expert to the staff of each FCC commissioner may not come up for a vote this fall. This is because the House and Senate versions of the bill to allow each of the five commissioners to hire one additional staff engineer are still in committee. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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Maine Republican Senator Olympia Snowe introduced S. 611 in May 2011. The measure seeks to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide commissioners additional technical expertise. However Snowe□s intention to retire at the end of this year has led supporters to push for a vote before the end of this Congressional term.

The companion House companion measure is H.R. 2102: FCC Commissioners□ Technical Resource Enhancement Act. The Society of Broadcast Engineers better known as the SBE is a major supporter of these two pieces of legislation. In a recent press statement, SBE President Ralph Hogan said that his organization has scheduled a trip to Washington to meet with key members of Congress in Washington, This to further groups efforts to move the bills through the House and Senate before the end 2012.

However, SBE General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, acknowledged in a column that appeared in the August edition of the SBE publication □The Signal□ that time is of the essence.

According to Imlay, the SBE□s last chance this fall to get H.R. 2102 through the House is □on suspension.□ That means the measure is without the usual hearing and report procedure.

To move a bill along in these cases normally requires that the bill have a large number of cosponsors. Imlay says that in an election year, this is not easy, noting that there are only four co-sponsors for the House bill now.

Currently, FCC commissioners can appoint only three legal advisors to counsel the Commissioners on the wired, wireless and cable media. As part of its legislative agenda, the Society of Broadcast Engineers has sought greater technical expertise on the commission for several years.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Passage of these measures is important to the ham radio community as it will put technical expertise to the highest level of the Commission which for decades has lead primarily by members of the legal profession rather than technologists and engineers. This could lead to a better understanding of our needs than is possible right now. (SBE, RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: RAC ACTS TO PREVENT UNLAWFUL USE OF 2 METERS BY PARAGLIDING COMPETITION

Radio Amateurs of Canada took action after a Paragliding competition in British Columbia told its contestants to communicate using a frequency in the 2 meter amateur band. Bob Holowenko, VE7WNK, has more:

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Radio Amateurs of Canada received a report by a British Columbia ham who notified them of what appeared to be the use of the two meter band for the operation of a paragliding competition. Dave Cameron, VE7LTD, witnessed this radio traffic and I was able to talk with him over the phone.

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VE7LTD: "I was at a local repeater site helping the locals there by doing a sweep trying to find a source of interference. I had my HP8920A Service Monitor and I was monitoring around the band trying to find what the sources of intermod could be, and I noticed a few spikes in the ham band. Knowing that there is not a lot of VHF activity in the Pemberton area, I decided to tune into each of those and one was on 146.415 simplex where I heard lots of intercommunication between both paragliders in the air and some kind of race coordination on the ground."

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This "race coordination" which Dave was hearing was the Canadian Paragliding National Championships held in Pemberton, BC. Dave reported this to The Radio Amateurs of Canada who became extremely concerned about the organizers assertion that all participants must use a VHF radio tuned to 146.415 Mhz for launching and landing.

Southern BC is popular for paragliding and hangliding thrill seekers, and the ham community here knows many of those who take part in these events are licensed hams, however it has become apparent that many are not.

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VE7LTD: "There was never a call sign used, and never any identification used. Although the communication was very structures, you could tell it was not by ham operators"

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Dave did go on to say that of the registered Canadian participants at the event, at least 40% of their names were found in the Ras=dio Amateurs of Canada database.

RAC has been in contact with representatives from the Paragliding community and has also requested enforcement action to be taken by government officals at Industry Canada.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bob Holowenko, VE7WNK, in

Vancouver, British Columbia.

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According to Radio Amateurs of Canada, protecting the ham radio spectrum from intruders is all in a days work for the group. (RAC, VE7WNK)

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HELPING HAMS: RFINDER.NET SEEKS INPUT FROM FREQUENY COORDINATORS

The on-line repeater directory RFinder is inviting Frequency Coordinators to use the World Wide Radio Directory help them in conducting their work. The hams who operate RFinder say that they have already heard from several frequency coordinators who have told them that being able to see the repeaters across borders is very helpful. As such, RFfinder says that frequency coordinators in several countries are using RFinder/Web as a tool in their activities. They are also looking to compile a wish list from the coordination community to build a special portal for them to have the tools they need to make frequency coordination easier. If you are a coordinator who wants to contribute to this wish list please send your thoughts by e-mail to w2cyk (at) rfinder (dot) net. You lraen more about RFinder and the services that it provides all who use repeaters on-line at www.rfinder.net. (RFinder)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARRL CENTENNIAL CONVENTION IN HARTFORD CT

On the ham radio social scene, the ARRL has announced the organization will hold its 2014 national Centennial Convention in Hartford, Connecticut, from July 17th to the 20th. The Convention will mark 100 years of the ARRL□s founding that took place in the city of Hartford. The theme for ARRL□s Centennial year is Advancing the Art and Science of Radio Since

1914. More information is on-line at www.arrl.org/expo. (ARRL)

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RADIO HAPPENINGS: NRCDXAS SWITCHING FROM TAPE TO CD MAILOUTS

According to Amateur Radio Newsline□s Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, the September and October issues of the National Radio Club□s D-X Audio Service will be the last to issue on cassette tape. Beginning in November these reports will switch distribution to CD□s after 27 years of tape mailouts.

Fred asks that if you know someone who is blind or otherwise visually impaired, and who loves the topic of broadcast radio, to please tell them about the DX Audio Service. More information about it can be found on-line at www.nrcdxas.org. (W8HDU)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: BRITISH SOPRANO SARAH BRIGHTMAN MAY BE THE NEXT SPACE TOURIST

A world famous entertainer may be the next to travel to the International Space Station. Amateur Radio Newsline□s George Bowen, W2XBS, has the details:

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British soprano Sarah Brightman could become the next space tourist to visit the International Space Station. This according to a senior official at the Russian Space Agency who hinted on August 22nd that the 52 year old songstress best known for her creating the role of Christine Daae□ in the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical The Phantom of the Opera is being considered as candidate for such a trip.

The Interfax news agency cited a space industry source as saying that the name of the next space tourist, who will most likely fly to the ISS in 2015, will be officially announced in around a month. The source also told Interfax that Brightman visited Russia around a month ago and was given the go-ahead by the medical commission to train at the Yuri Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Centre in StarCity outside Moscow.

Previous space tourists visiting the ISS have included the Canadian founder of the Cirque du Soleil, Guy Laliberte, and computer game creator Richard Garriott, W5KWQ. As most of you know, Richard Garriott is the son of retired Astronaut Owen Garriott, W5LFL, who was the first radio amateur to ever operate from space. This on shuttle mission STS-9. Iranian-American entrepreneur Anousheh Ansari is so far the only woman to make the trip to the I-S-S.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m George Bowen, W2XBS, in Albany, New York.

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More about Sarah Brightman☐s proposed trip to Earth orbit is on-line at tinyurl.com/brightman-iss. (Interfax, AFP)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today☐s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: MIRAGE AND RF CONCEPTS FOUNDER EVERETT GRACY, WA6CBA ☐ S.K.

The man responsible for many pieces of equipment in the shacks of so many hams has become a silent key at age 91. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Don Carlson, KQ6FM, brings us the story of Everett Gracey, WA6CBA.

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On Sunday morning, August 26, the Amateur Radio world lost a gentle giant, as Everett Gracey, WA6CBA became a silent key. For the many of us who knew Everett, it is loss unlike any other. We have lost a great source of knowledge, but most of all, a dear friend. For everyone else who did not know him, the word ☐giant☐ is not adequate to describe him. His contributions to the Amateur Radio world were immeasurable.

For those of you who ever owned a piece of gear with the name RF Concepts or Mirage Communications on it, you held a piece of his life and legacy, since he was a co-founder of both companies, which he started with Ken Holaday, K6HCP. Later in life Everett became a consultant to LDG Electronics, who, according to Everett put out one of the greatest automatic antenna tuners on the market, and are sold world wide.

Everett spent most of his life in and around Reno, Nevada, where he married his wife Dorothy on July 6, 1940. He was devoted to her, since she was always first and foremost in his mind. He took care of her in their later years, and finally, it was his concern for her well being that prompted his move from Reno to Grass Valley, California, so that her care could be shared with medical professionals.

Everett was also a decorated veteran, who fought in with the Army in Europe during WWII, and was awarded both the Bronze Star and Silver Star for bravery in Germany. He was also recipient of the Purple Heart. He was also author of several books, ☐From A 13 year old Hobo to an Entrepreneur☐ ☐My 20 Years of RV Adventures☐ and ☐Buying and Selling Real Estate by Owner☐. One of my most treasured possessions is an autographed copy of his autobiographical book, ☐From Freight Trains to Airplanes☐, published in 1999.

Everett was always ready to lend a friendly hand with a good piece of advice, Elmering and plenty of wisdom which helped many a ham in need, and always seemed to have exactly what they needed to complete the project, or get back on the air. He even gave away parts used for fixing antennas and gear, at no charge.

As a dear mutual friend of Everett☐s and mine said of his passing, Everett, ☐I will miss you you rascal .Oh, and while you are winging your way around the heavens, and you had best not tamper with my RF signal when I am attempting to work DX, or someday, you and I will have a long discussion about that!☐.

With sincere thanks to Joe Wolfe, WA6RKN for his informative help, for the Amateur Radio Newsline, this is Don Carlson, KQ6FM in Reno.

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Per his request no service or memorial will be held. Instead his ashes will be placed next to his wife Dorothy. Everett and Dorothy Gracey had been married 70 years. (KQ6FM, WA6RKN)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KEPLARIAN ELEMENTS CHANGE WITH ISS HIGHER ORBIT

Space-Travel.com reports on August 22nd that a European ATV-3 unmanned supply spacecraft was used to raise the International Space Station's orbit to about 261 miles. The orbit adjustment was done in two stages, with the ATV-3 engines firing for 348 seconds to lift the orbit to 257 miles followed by another burn four hours later that brought the space station to its final altitude.

The maneuver was conducted to prepare for the return to earth of Russia's Soyuz TMA-04M manned spacecraft on September 17 and the docking of the Soyuz TMA-06M manned spacecraft with the ISS on October 15th. For amateur radio space enthusiasts this means that you will have to readjust your Keplarian elements when tracking the I-S-S at its new higher altitude. The complete story of this orbital maneuver is on-line at tinyurl.com/ISS-Reboost. (ANS, Spece-Travel.com)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2012 AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM

AMSAT says that registration for its 2012 Space Symposium is now open on-line. To register over the World-Wide-Web simply take your computer to store (dot) amsat (dot) org/catalog and click on the "AMSAT 2012 Symposium" item in the top left box.

A mail-in option is also available for those who wamt to register the old fashioned way. A downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page at tinyurl.com/amsat-2012-reg.

This years AMSAT Space Symposium takes place October 26th through the 28th at the Holiday Inn Orlando-International Airport in Orlando, Florida. This hotel is located at only one mile north of the OrlandoInternationalAirport. at 5750 T.G. Lee Blvd, in Orlando. (AMSAT)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: CPUT CUBESAT TO LAUNCH END NOVEMBER

A CubeSat designed and built by students at the Cape Peninsular University of Technology in Bellville, South Africa, will be launched towards the end of November.

Still known by its engineering name ZA Cube-1, the satellite will be shipped in the next few weeks to Holland. There it will be integrated with two other CubeSats in the launch carrier before being shipped for integrating with the rocket.

ZA Cube-1 is rare for a ham radio bird in that it carries a High Frequency transmitter operating on 14.099 MHz in the 20 meter band. Also on-board is a small camera and a telemetry transmitter. (SARL)

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DX

In DX, N6MW and possibly 1 or 2 other operators will be active stroke KH8 from American Samoa between November 8th and the 19th. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters using mainly CW, but some SSB and RTTY. QSL via Logbook of the World.

A group of radio amateurs from Poland will be on the air as 5T0SP from Mauritania between November 24th and December 10th. Their activity will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. As of airtime no QSL route has been announced

Bill Moore, NC1L, at the ARRL says that the 1998 X-U-one-A operation from Cambodia has been approved for DXCC Credit. Moore says that if you have had QSLs rejected please send an e-mail to bmoore (at) arrl (dot) org to be placed on the list for update. If you remember the submission in which you included the QSL please note this to expedite the search for the rejected QSO.

Lastly, SM0JHF reports that he has retired and can no longer afford sending out QSL cards automatically. He notes that for the past 50 years that he has personally filled out and shipped more than 100,000 QSL cards for his activities using numerous past callsigns. He says that he will clean house and dispose of blank cards by the end of this year. If you need a card for any of his calls please contact him by e-mail to sm0jhf (at) gmail (dot) com. A complete list of his operations over the years is under SM0JHF on QRZ.com

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: STAR FOUND DEVOURING PLANET

And finally this week, radio and radio astronomy have brought some new light on the way nature works out in the cosmos. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, takes us to the far reaches of space:

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Astronomers have found evidence of a planet being devoured by its star, yielding insights into the fate that will befall Earth several billions years in the future.

The team uncovered the signature of the planet that had been absorbed by looking at the chemistry of the host star. They also think a surviving planet circling this star may have been kicked into its unusual orbit by the destruction of a neighboring world.

The US-Polish-Spanish team made the discovery when they were studying the star BD+48 740 - which is one of a stellar class known as red giants. Rising temperatures near the cores of red giants cause these elderly stars to expand in size. This in turn results in any nearby planets to be absorbed by the expanding star or otherwise destroyed.

It□s the way of the universe now brought to us thanks to the art of radio and the science of Astronomy.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Details of the work have been published in Astrophysical Journal Letters. The complete story is on-line at tinyurl.com/planet-hungry-star. (ScienceToday, BBC, others)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors□ desk, I□m Jim Damron, N8TMW, wishing you a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend. 73 and as always, we thank you for listening.

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1648. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 31 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 16:49:57 UTC
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Source record: 2115
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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ON44CLM

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 05:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359748-ON44CLM&goto=newpost

Special Event Station - 16/10-15/11 - info on qrz.com

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ZD9UW Tristan da Cunha Island

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 04:13 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359745-ZD9UW-Tristan-da-Cunha-Island&goto=newpost

G3ZAY and M0VFC will be active from Tristan da Cunha Island starting 27
September 2012 for about 7 days as ZD9UW

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-cunha-island/

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TN QSO Party Sep 2, 1800Z to Sep 3, 0300Z

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 02:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359742-TN-QSO-Party-Sep-2-1800Z-to-Sep-3-0300Z&goto=newpost

Tennessee QSO Party-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 2, 1800Z to Sep 3, 0300Z.

http://tnqp.org/wp/

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September 7-8 - David Packard's Birthday

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 02:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359688-September-7-8-David-Packard-s-Birthday&goto=newpost

Join Hewlett-Packard employee radio clubs nationwide celebrating the 100th
anniversary of HP founder and Silicon Valley pioneer David Packard□s birth.
Dave was an avid early ham operator, and it has been said that without
Dave□s interest and involvement in radio, the Hewlett-Packard Company would
have never existed.

HP clubs will be on the air nationwide Friday September 7 through Saturday September 8. All stations contacting HP clubs will receive a special commemorative QSL card from each location-collect them all! HP clubs will be on the air at various times during the event period. ((There may be a special "worked all HP" certificate, details still in the works.))

Coordinator:

AB7HP Hewlett-Packard Boise ARC

Participating clubs:

AB7HP - Boise ID

NE1HP - HP New England

WA7HP - Vancouver WA

K5WH & N5EN - Houston TX

W1HP - Phillips (Former HP/Agilent) New England

Frequencies:

10-15-20-40-80 Meters

Tenative SSB center freqs: 7.260 14.260 18.140 21.360 28.360

Some clubs may be running CW and/or PSK as well.

Contact/QSL Manager:

Aaron Rynearson, N0BOE

HPBARC Public Information Officer

11311 Chinden Blvd MS403

Boise ID 83714

AaronR@hp.com

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Jamboree on the Air - Oct 20-21

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 01:01 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359680-Jamboree-on-the-Air-Oct-20-21&goto=newpost

Radio Station WD9BSA will be having a Grand Opening during the Boy Scouts 55th Jamboree on the Air on October 20th, 2012. WD9BSA will be permanently located in beautiful Camp Belzer on the northeast side of Indianapolis. WD9BSA will have two HF operating positions, and at least two VHF/UHF operating positions as well. Please listen for WD9BSA on JOTA frequencies.

World Organization of the Scouting Movement JOTA

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1649. eHam.net News for Friday 31 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-08-31 22:04:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bac17e1457d04c896f84c@google.com>
Source record: 2116
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Who Ya Gonna Call?

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28904

Amateur radio operators formed chain of communication during Irene:
CATSKILL -- When all systems fail, the amateurs are king. If there is any question of that being the case, take it up with Len Signoretti, a man of many hats in the Greene County Amateur Radio Emergency Services. The 10-year Catskill resident relocated to the area from Brooklyn after the the 2001 World Trade Center attacks and headed emergency communications during Tropical Storm Irene last year. Signoretti talked to Greene County legislators in a presentation during August's Public Safety Committee meeting, gave them a recap of the work done by his team of Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateurs Civil Emergency Services members, or ARES and RACES, and said there were a number of things his team needs in order to be more effective. "Today, in modern technocracy," Signoretti said, "we take everything for granted, cell phones \& Mid-Hudson Cable \& Verizon DSL \& but no matter what, Hurricane Irene was a test that they all do fail."

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Listen to National Hurricane Center Skywarn Radio:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28903

This is Echolink Node 7203/IRLP Node 9129 *WX_TALK* Conference Bridge. This Node connects the National Hurricane Center and Skywarn Nets all over Hurricane Alley. Amateur operators from all over the world are linked. This Net activates whenever tropical weather is posing a threat to U.S. mainland.

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ARNewsline Report 1829 August 31 2012:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28902

Amateur radio assists as Hurricane Isaac hits the U.S. Gulf shore; the London Olympics ham radio station may have set a world record and a star is found devouring a planet. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1829 coming your way right now.

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Ham Radio Operators on Standby to Help Storm Victims:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:08 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28901

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. -- Local radio volunteers are on stand-by as tropical storm Isaac slams the Gulf Coast. Radio is still one of the most reliable forms of communication during disasters. Amateur Radio Operators, often called "Hams" are continually ready to move in. When Hurricane Katrina and the Joplin tornado wiped out all other communication, Amateur Radio Volunteers stepped up. Rob Reid spends more than ten hours a week listening to the radio, but he's not enjoying music. He's listening to special frequencies, while patiently waiting for an emergency message. As tropical storm Isaac hits the Gulf Coast, he's standing by for assistance. "That's the name of the game. Can we help that agency accomplish its goal by volunteerism?" said Rob Reid, Amateur Radio Operator. Reid is one of the 30,000 Amateur Radio Operators in Missouri that serves as a one-man-communication center. When the internet and smart phones fail, Ham Operators become the most reliable way to pass emergency messages during disasters like the Joplin tornado and Hurricane Katrina.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #36:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:08 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28899

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by DH2PC, NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:04 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28898

This Week in Radiosport:

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Hams Heed the Call to Help as Isaac Makes Landfall:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:05 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28897

Seven years to the day that Hurricane Katrina smashed into New Orleans, Hurricane Isaac came calling. But instead of making landfall right at New Orleans like Katrina (a Category 3 storm) did on August 28, 2005, Isaac veered slightly to the west of the city. Through it all, hams at WX4NHC -- the Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami, Florida -- and those supporting the Hurricane Watch Net and the VoIP Hurricane Net, along with various nets within the ARRL's Delta Division, relayed reports to their served

agencies on Isaac's progress and the damage the storm created in its wake.

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2012 ARRL Field Day Logs Posted:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:03 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28896

More than 2600 submissions have been received for the 2012 running of ARRL Field Day. According to ARRL Field
Day Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, this is another great showing for the number of entries received for what is one of Amateur Radio's most popular on-the-air operating events. The combined list of Logs Received for Field Day has been posted online. The list includes all logs submitted via the website, as well as those
submitted via e-mail and US Mail.

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Get In On the VHF Fun in the 2012 ARRL September VHF QSO Party:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:02 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28895

September is here -- and according to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, the VHF+ bands have been getting a workout: "If you've never experienced the fun of VHF+ operating, the 2012 ARRL September VHF QSO Party the weekend of September 8-10 is a great place to start. With many HF radios now offering at least 6 meter SSB/CW capabilities -- and some offering 2 meters and 70 cm as well -- any amateur with a Technician class license or higher can experience long-haul communication on the VHF bands."

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IARU Supports Proposal for a .radio Domain Name:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:02 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28894

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has expressed public support for a .radio top-level domain name. Under the proposal as put forth by the European Broadcasting Union (EBU), registration will be available via the EBU to all eligible radio representative organizations and broadcasters, Internet radios, radio amateurs, radio professionals and their respective representative organizations, as well as companies providing radio-specific products and services in order to create a worldwide radio community.

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North Carolina Teen Named Recipient of ARRL's 2011 Hiram Percy Maxim Award:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:01 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28893

Derek Brown, W4DTB, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, was named the recipient of the 2011 Hiram Percy Maxim Award. Derek, who is 14, has been licensed since 2010 and holds an Amateur Extra class license.

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DXCC Desk Approves 1998 XU1A Cambodian DXpedition:

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 10:01 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28892

After reviewing new information and documentation, the ARRL DXCC Desk has concluded that the 1998 XU1A DXpedition to Cambodia will be valid for DXCC credit.

1650. HOT VIDEOS 2 HOT PEOPLE AND ACTRESSES NEVER SEEN PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 01:34:20 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1c50f70e-cd03-43e8-87f1-a2f215434a1a@k9g2000pbr.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2117

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
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GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

1651. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 31 August 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 02:27:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447890f25c94304c89aa7e9@google.com>
Source record: 2118
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Billerica ham radio fans band together - Wicked Local

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 03:50 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGe4_jnUbJG66Bcch7ykyNv4TmFYw&url=http://www.wickedlocal.com/billerica/news/x1956852632/Billerica-ham-radio-fans-band-together

Billerica ham radio fans band together
Wicked Local
The biennial New England chapter of the Amateur Radio Relay Leagues convention at the Boxborough Holiday Inn, held Aug. 23-26, drew amateur radio or “ham” radio enthusiasts from around the region. Participants included those from neighboring ...

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NCER sets date for first free amateur radio training - News of Orange County

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 03:47 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHHSILGGznyLXNpU1uGtACAVqXEOQ&url=http://www.aconews.com/news/local/article_ae3714e2-f397-11e1-8bcd-0019bb2963f4.html

NCER sets date for first free amateur radio training
News of Orange County
The 38th Regiment of the North Carolina Emergency Reserves has set the date for its first Amateur Radio License Training Class of the season for Saturday, Sept. 8. The location is centrally located for many of those who have applied for the course.

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EMA expands approach to emergency preparedness - Sand Mountain Reporter

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 01:39 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE8_Ptxog7gqGEod4JCRMsxhyJr_A&url=http://www.sandmountainreporter.com/news/local/article_cc3e50be-f3aa-11e1-a322-001a4bcf887a.html

EMA expands approach to emergency preparedness
Sand Mountain Reporter
Since 2003, the Marshall County Auxiliary Radio Service group, comprised of mainly amateur radio operators, has maintained the last line of communication in times of emergency. Since that time theres been a lot of change to public safety ...

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Telecom invites Central Luzon radio groups to inaugural 'Radshow' -
Philippine Information Agency

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 07:07 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGYvVt7d1juchwRizSOe0ggmIY6TQ&url=http://www.pia.gov.ph/news/index.php?article%3D561346382824

Telecom invites Central Luzon radio groups to inaugural Radshow
Philippine Information Agency
“The conference-trade event, which was organized by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) and Commercial and Amateur Radio Transceivers Dealers Association of the Philippines (CARTDAPI), aims to create ...

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ARNewsline Report 1829 August 31 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 12:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHDtu0tkkIFpGm1a5iS--a0WUg9zA&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28902

ARNewsline Report 1829 August 31 2012:
eHam.net
Amateur radio assists as Hurricane Isaac hits the U.S. Gulf shore; the London Olympics ham radio station may have set a world record and a star is found devouring a planet. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1829 coming your ...

1652. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 06:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1346479201@panix.com>
Source record: 2119
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1653. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 1 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 06:32:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307cfea8b6d25104c89e1206@google.com>
Source record: 2120
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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October 7, 2012 - Southeast Iowa Hamfest

Posted: 30 Aug 2012 07:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359723-October-7-2012-Southeast-Iowa-Hamfest&goto=newpost

The Muscatine Amateur Radio Club and the Washington Area Amateur Radio Club will present the 28th Annual Southeast Iowa Hamfest on Sunday, October 7th, at the Muscatine County Fairgrounds, in West Liberty, Iowa. (The Wiener & Bratwurst Roast will be held Saturday, October 6th, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.) The Hamfest will be held on Sunday, October 7th, from 7:00am to 1:00pm. It features indoor and outdoor flea market, commercial vendors, license testing, food and drink. There will be testing for all Amateur Radio license classes from 9:30am to 11:30am. All tickets are $7. Children age 14 and under are admitted free. Gates open at 7:00am. There will be hourly drawings for door prizes, including a cash grand prize drawing. Indoor flea market table space is available for $10 per table. A "Tailgating" flea market space is free with paid admission and available on a first come, first serve basis. Electricity will be available for a fee. Vendor setup will commence on Saturday, October 6th, from 3:00pm to 9:00pm, as well as Sunday, October 7th beginning at 5:00am. Overnight camping will also be available for a fee. For more information, visit http://www.muscatinehams.org/hamfest.html or contact Tom Brehmer, N0LOH, at (563) 263-3097 or n0loh@live.com.

1654. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 1 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 11:05:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5186cb4a4cb1b04c8a1e346@google.com>
Source record: 2121
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Earthquake hits central Philippines with tsunami warning

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2CiVCctkuSY/earthquake_hits_central_phi
lippines.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Communications have been set up on HF as the emergency activity of amateur
radio becomes established in the earthquake and landslide hit areas

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IARU Region 1 Field Day starts today

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u5lha1g5vRY/iaru_region_1_field_day_sta
rts_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Amateurs from across Europe and Africa are taking part in the SSB
Field Day event this weekend September 1-2

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BBC report on EMF 2012 Milton Keynes

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wznPfiPgv80/emf_2012_milton_keynes.htm?
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BBC Technology reporter Zoe Kleinman produced this report on the Milton
Keynes Electromagnetic Field Festival (EMF) 2012 (Aug 31 - Sep 2) event on
Friday as it was being set up

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NASA release Curiosity morse code picture

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BpJjXdcVIv8/nasa_release_curiosity_mors
e_code_picture.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA have released a picture showing the Morse Code tracks made on Mars by
the Curiosity rover

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Repeater Directory Android App now available

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/skRf42ThR8E/repeater_directory_android_

app_now_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

RepeaterBook - The Free Repeater App for the USA and Canada has just been released in Google Play for Android

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Morse code typewriter inventor in Canberra Times

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SO09TcA_OcM/morse_code_typewriter_inventor_in_canberra_times.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Canberra Times reports on radio amateur Alfred Traeger VK5AV who in 1933 developed the Morse Code typewriter

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Computer Entrepreneurs: Steve Wozniak WA6BND 1984 interview

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kTujgEfajVY/computer_entrepreneurs_steve_wozniak_wa6bnd_1984_interview.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Steve 'Woz' Wozniak WA6BND / WV6VLY appeared in this 1984 interview about the personal computer industry

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Opera S/N data recovery from PSK- map now operational

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rULVzmmQEiU/opera_sn_data_recovery_from_psk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The recent issue of Opera version 1-4-3 S/N data recovery for individual spots, uploaded to the PSK-Reporting map is now operational

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New Ontario Section Managers announced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nS43qNEbdNw/new_ontario_section_managers_announced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As you are aware changes have been made and now are ready to launch September 01, 2012 here in Ontario on behalf of the Radio Amateurs of Canada in relation to the Ontario Field Services

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Coastal station VIP marks its 100 years

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zZfcK3GI4ZI/coastal_station_vip_marks_its_100_years.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Centenary of Australia's coast radio network is to focus on the recently refurbished Telecommunications Museum at Wireless Hill, Ardross, Western Australia

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Special Event Station - ON44CLM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NMsv6EB0Dbs/special_event_station_on44clm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The special event station ON44CLM will be qrv from 16/10/2012 until
15/11/2012

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2nPOEEUZ1bU/035_september_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Although solar activity is quite low, we did see an increase in sunspot
numbers and solar flux over the past week

1655. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 1 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 16:21:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e851066b36704c8a64bce@google.com>
Source record: 2122
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Repeater Directory App Available for Android Users

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 09:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359772-Repeater-Directory-App-Available-for-Android-Users&goto=newpost

RepeaterBook - The Free Repeater App for the USA and Canada.

Powered by the popular community database of RepeaterBook.com and

software of ZBM2.com RepeaterBook, enables you to easily find repeaters
across the USA and Canada, for free and without a network connection.

https://play.google.com/store/apps/d..._result#?t=W10.

☐ No network connection required.

☐ Use network, GPS or a grid square to find Repeaters.

☐ Displays your grid and selection distance.

☐ Comprehensive selection, sorting and display options.

☐ Displays distance, heading and full repeater details.

☐ Fast and flexible, designed to help you use the repeater network.

☐ Easily submit updates and additions from within the app.

☐ Supports BlueCAT - FT-857 / FT-857 Bluetooth CAT interface

Touch a repeater to instantly set your radio, no more fiddling with

CTCSS, frequency and offsets.

For our friends outside North America we have our popular Repeater app.

RepeaterBook and Repeater will always be free.

73

Garrett KD6KPC and Nicolas M1HOG

1656. SARL News in English 1/9/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 16:22:53 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <035ED42DAC5E4EAE89D9B3CD165EAA6A@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2123
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 26 AUGUST 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other newsreaders change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that the Port Elizabeth ARS has to announce that one of their long standing members, Dudley Forsyth, ZS2AW, passed away on Sunday 26 August. He was 91 years old and was first licensed as ZU2D in 1936 when he was 15 years old. He served during WWII and was a POW in Germany. After the war he obtained the ZS2AW call sign.

We offer our condolences to his family and friends.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

PLANNING TO WRITE THE RAE IN OCTOBER?

IARU SAYS IT WOULD WELCOME DOT RADIO DOMAIN

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

PLANNING TO WRITE THE RAE IN OCTOBER?

The closing date for the October RAE is on Monday 10 September. Please note the new closing date. It is 10 days earlier than before to accommodate the requirements of ICASA. Details of how to register for the examination can be found on www.sarl.org.za, click on licensing in the left hand column and select the link amateur radio examinations.

It is important to follow the instructions to the letter and to ensure that all forms are duly completed and forwarded to admin@sarl.org.za or by fax to 086 299 0566. Please use a black pen and write clearly in

block letters. For assistance, call Mariska at 011 675 2393. No late entries can be excepted.

Affiliated clubs wishing to facilitate an exam centre should ensure that an examiner and an invigilator are registered by 6 September latest.

IARU SAYS IT WOULD WELCOME DOT RADIO DOMAIN

The International Amateur Radio Union says that it will back the European Broadcasting Union proposal that the top level Internet domain dot radio be used to help to create a global radio community. IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, says that his organization believes that the proposal, to be submitted by the European Broadcast Union, could provide a unique opportunity to standardize radio domain names on the Internet.

In a recently public made letter, VE6SH said that he recommends that the dot radio domain proposal be approved by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers. European Broadcast Union Director General, Ingrid Deltenre said the International Amateur Radio Union comments are an expression of confidence in the proposal. The complete story on the new dot radio domain and how it will impact all spectrum users is on-line at tinyurl.com/iaru-dot-radio

ARRL CENTENNIAL CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN HARTFORD

The ARRL has announced that the organization will hold its 2014 national Centennial Convention in Hartford, Connecticut, from 17 to 20 July. The Convention will mark 100 years of the ARRL's founding that took place in the city of Hartford. The theme for ARRL's Centennial year is Advancing the Art and Science of Radio Since 1914. More information is on-line at www.arrl.org/expo.

NORTH CAROLINA TEEN NAMED RECIPIENT OF ARRL'S 2011 HIRAM PERCY MAXIM AWARD

Derek Brown, W4DTB, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, was named the recipient of the 2011 Hiram Percy Maxim Award. Derek, who is 14, has been licensed since 2010 and holds an Amateur Extra class license.

He first became interested in Amateur Radio after reading an article in MAKE Magazine. "After I read the ARRL Ham Radio License Manual, I went to the local club, the Orange County Radio Amateurs to take my Technician test," he told the ARRL. "That same evening, I met my Elmer, Bruce Meier, N1LN, who inspired me to finish the next two tests. He helped me build a station, including my first radio that I bought at a swap meet. With his help, I put up a vertical antenna in my backyard. Unfortunately, a tree knocked down the antenna about two weeks ago and broke the mounting bracket, so I'll be offline until after we get the replacement parts."

He is the founder of the Youth Amateur Radio Club of America (YARCA), which aims to further youth in Amateur Radio; one of YARCA's initial target audiences is Scout troops. The site includes license test training and a Boy Scout Radio Merit Badge Workshop. Derek said he is currently planning for YARCA to hold a Badge Day for local Boy and Cub Scouts. He is also an ARRL Public Information Officer (PIO).

When not on the radio, Derek spends time as a Computer Science intern, where he is creating computer programs in a variety of languages. He is also a Lincoln-Douglas debater and will be travelling to tournaments across the country this year. He will be entering his first year at Durham Academy in Durham, North Carolina this autumn.

The Hiram Percy Maxim Award is given to an ARRL member under the age of 18. It is intended to provide a tangible reward to those deserving young amateurs who contribute their time, skills and energies daily through their commitment to Amateur Radio.

CONTEST NEWS

SARL HF Digital Contest. The Competition Committee received eleven single operator logs and one multi-operator log for the Digital contest held on 19 August 2012.

In the single operator class, Noel Hammond, ZR6DX, with 127 points beat Brendon Muller, ZS4BM, with 125 points for first place. Marius Snyman, ZR6MS, with 120 points took third place. Francois Reynecke, ZS6FDX, and friends participated as a multi-operator station and made 5 points.

Rohan Schreuder, ZS6RJS, achieved the highest score on a single band with his 99 points on 40 metres. In the Club Competition, the East Rand Branch took top honours with 199 points, followed by the West Rand ARC with 127 points and the Bloemfontein ARC with 125 points.

Congratulations to Noel, Rohan and the East Rand Branch.

The Contest Committee has already received 14 logs for the HF CW contest held on Sunday 26 August. The closing date is midnight on Monday 3 September.

The second leg of the SARL VHF/UHF Analogue and Digital contest will be held from 10:00 UTC on Saturday 15 September to 10:00 UTC on Sunday 16 September. Activity will be on 6, 4 and 2 metres as well as 70 and 23 cm and the higher bands. Read the complete rules from page 32 of the 2012 SARL Contest Manual, there is too much to include here in the bulletin.

CLUB NEWS

At the AGM of the Potchefstroom Amateur Radio Club held on 25 August 2012 the following were elected as committee members for 2012/13: Chairman: Stef Terblanche, ZS6AOK Vice-chairman: Joe Mayer, ZS6ANW Treasurer: Chris Viljoen, ZS6BYQ Secretary: Johan Bamberger, ZS6LVG Technical: Stef Terblanche, ZS6AOK Member: Dawie Genis, ZS6GWD Social: Annetjie Terblanche, ZR6BYG

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels but that the outlook is very promising. A returning sunspot region is crackling with C-class flares as it is rotating into view. There is also a good probability for M-class flares. Sunspot growth is also observed around various sunspots.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 56.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 20 m providing the best openings with 15 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent due to the moderate solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 3 September - Closing date for log submission for the HF CW Contest. 6 September - Clubs wishing to facilitate RA examination centres must register examiners and invigilators before this date. 10 September - Last day to enrol for the October RAE. 15 and 16 September - SARL VHF/UHF analogue and digital contest. 30 September - Nominations for MTN sponsored SAARDT awards to be in to saardt@intekom.co.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Martin Schwella, ZS4MS, and edited George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1657. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 1 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 16:28:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f642faa6f840b04c8a66686@google.com>
Source record: 2124
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Colorado QSO Party Sat AM

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 01:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359810-Colorado-QSO-Party-Sat-AM&goto=newpost

I don't know why this was not posted here. This one is a challenge since
there are some counties in CO with only a handful of amateurs. Like mine,
there are two of us that I know of, on HF. Hope you will play along.

http://ppraa.org/coqp

I'll be there with my new call, not yet in the Zed...NA0AA from Eagle
County.

Selah!

1658. eHam.net News for Saturday 1 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-01 22:12:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340a5b37462204c8ab325d@google.com>
Source record: 2125
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Billerica Ham Radio Fans Band Together:

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28912

Billerica, Mass. -- The biennial New England chapter of the Amateur Radio Relay League's convention at the Boxborough Holiday Inn, held Aug. 23-26, drew amateur radio or "ham" radio enthusiasts from around the region. Participants included those from neighboring communities such as Billerica and Chelmsford, but also from throughout New England and even New York. Those in attendance took in classes, demonstrations, an equipment flea market, an event banquet and more. The event, held every two years, draws ham radio enthusiasts from all backgrounds and generations, from college students to retirees.

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Radio to the Rescue -- Hams Establish Link with World After 1964 Earthquake

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28910

In 1964, when amateur Ham radio operator Zilla Maile wanted a new, state-of-the-art radio, she knew the man to contact: Al Hershberger, owner of Hershberger's Radio and TV store in Soldotna. What Maile didn't know was the important role that synchronicity and her new radio would play during one of the most memorable events in Alaska history.

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Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa Broadcasts Received Worldwide on 7.120 MHz:

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28909

HARGEISA (Somalilandsun) - The installation of the new Radio Hargeisa transmitter is a success. This was revealed by Mr. Don Jensen who added that Listeners in Japan, India and Europe are beginning To hear Radio Hargeisa on a frequency of 7,120 kHz, with generally good signals For tests noted at various times between 1500 UTC (universal time) and 1900 UTC hours (6 to 10 pm Somaliland time) Mr. Don Jensen a retired American journalist who further revealed that the station, which has been noted since Monday, is yet to be received in the US conveyed this information to Somalilandsun via email messages that included a taped transmission with audible soft Somali music. The American ham radio operator further informed that there

is also a considerable interference from ham transmissions since the 7,120 kHz frequency used by Radio Hargeisa is in the middle of the amateur radio (ham radio) band.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #35 de K7RA:

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 10:46 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28908

Although solar activity is quite low, we did see an increase in sunspot numbers and solar flux over the past week. Average daily sunspot numbers were up nearly 20 points, or about 36 percent, to 74.1. Average daily solar flux increased nearly 13 points to 108.7.

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Press Release: N9ABC's New Publication -- Chinese Jamming Project:

Posted: 31 Aug 2012 04:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28907

"Firedrake - China's Secret Shortwave Jamming Project Exposed!" is the new revised and updated version of N9ABC Steve Handler's electronic publication. Published in late August, 2012, it is now available through Amazon.com for the Kindle. Other booksellers should, within the next two weeks, be offering versions for other electronic readers including the Nook, iPad, Sony Reader and other formats.

1659. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 1 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-02 02:11:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614aa0b80c9204c8ae89c4@google.com>
Source record: 2126
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ever get that old 'need for speed' feeling? - Ocala

Posted: 01 Sep 2012 03:42 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEAV05x6Pz5931yQe6d4fnV2CW5sw&url=http://www.ocala.com/article/20120901/COLUMNISTS/120839910

Ever get that old need for speed feeling?
Ocala
In such situations, the significant benefits of ham radio become readily apparent. But hams (also called amateur radio operators) undertake other activities as well because ham radio is probably the widest-ranging hobby in the world, covering literally ...

and more

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West Ham 3-0 Fulham: Carroll hammers Cottagers - talkSPORT.co.uk

Posted: 01 Sep 2012 07:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGYsmrhFVc1_os2XS7CDac6BfZKYA&url=http://www.talksport.co.uk/sports-news/football/premier-league/120901/west-ham-3-0-fulham-carroll-hammers-cottagers-180034

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West Ham 3-0 Fulham: Carroll hammers Cottagers
talkSPORT.co.uk
Andy Carroll made an instant impact for West Ham helping them to a convincing victory against Fulham on his debut for the club. The £35m strikers future has dominated headlines all summer but, after completing a season-long loan to Upton Park, he took ...

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Radio operators big on broadcast - Nanaimo News Bulletin

Posted: 01 Sep 2012 03:02 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGh5Opf_XGn-9cNtIMyCuM9W25-rA&url=http://www.nanaimobulletin.com/community/168145996.html

Radio operators big on broadcast
Nanaimo News Bulletin
8 as the Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association hosts Ham Happenings. The day, billed as one of the biggest Ham radio events on the Island, takes place

from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Cedar Community Hall, 2388 Cedar Rd. There will be a swap meet for people ...

1660. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 2 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-02 11:06:02 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9399153582d1d04c8b602b5@google.com>
Source record: 2127
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Philippine Radio Hams get 7200-7300 kHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/N-j9yP0cDjE/philippine_radio_hams_get_7200_7300_khz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Philippines Amateur Radio Association (PARA) has announced new
frequencies for Philippine radio hams

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TAPR Digital Communications Conference in Atlanta September 21 - 23

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nFmFh7hdJL0/tapr_digital_communications_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference is an international forum
for radio amateurs to meet, publish their work, and present new ideas and
techniques

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IARU International Amateur Radio Satellite Forum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4wYC5wcAESU/iaru_international_amateur_radio_satellite_forum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU International Amateur Radio Satellite Forum will this year be held
in conjunction with the AMSAT-UK Colloquium which takes place in Guildford,
England on the weekend of September 15-16

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RADSHOW 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HtRJLe6jMFI/radshow_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A two-day Conference and Trade show focusing on the role of communications
during calamities takes place in the Phillipines September 7-8

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Amateur Radio's 'Indiana Parks on the Air'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1w3Iqwf96u0/indiana_parks_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Spring Mill State Park will host amateur radio’s “Indiana Parks on the Air” event from noon until 8 p.m. on Saturday, September 8

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FISTS Eu Silver Jubilee Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yfKdmVbjPG4/fists_eu_silver_jubilee_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FISTS Eu Silver Jubilee Week on-air activity runs from Sunday 2nd September 00:01 UTC to Saturday 8th September 23:59 UTC, celebrating the club's 25th year

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lK1T6ALFJPc/september_02.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels but that the outlook is very promising. A returning sunspot region is crackling with C-class flares as it is rotating into view

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Somaliland Sun - Radio Hargeisa on 7120 kHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jInD2D-RBYk/radio_hargeisa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Somaliland Sun reports that the newly installed Radio Hargeisa transmitter is being heard world-wide on 7120 kHz in the amateur radio 40m band

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Chance of M-class Flares

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kT9J0vsTO9A/chance_of_m_class_flares.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On September 1 SpaceWeather.com reported a 40% chance of M-class flares in the following 48 hours

1661. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 2 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-02 16:19:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a707597d4604c8ba621b@google.com>
Source record: 2128
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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QCWA QSO PaRTY September 7, 2012 Change Notice

Posted: 02 Sep 2012 08:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359995-QCWA-QSO-PaRTY-September-7-2012-Change-Notice&goto=newpost

The Activities Manager, VE3BNO, advises that the event will take place according to the rules published at this link http://www.qcwa.org/2012qso-party.htm . In error the wrong date was published by most of the Ham Radio Media due to an error at QCWA. Please circulate the date information as widely as you can. Thank you fellow contesters!

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E51KBR Rarotonga Island

Posted: 02 Sep 2012 05:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359977-E51KBR-Rarotonga-Island&goto=newpost

OK1JBR / ZL2KBR will be active from Rarotonga Island (IOTA OC-013) , South Cook Islands 12-19 November 2012 as E51KBR

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-cook-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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What the call 0D1USA ?

Posted: 02 Sep 2012 04:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359975-What-the-call-0D1USA&goto=newpost

Hello for all!

Please help me find any information about 0D1USA callsignal from Afganistan!

I worked with James in 31/08/2012 on 10m bpsk-31 and copyed that message:

UR3CTB, Good ¬pd,

Name: James

Power: 5w

LOC: MM43oo Afghanistan

How Copy?

de 0D1USA k

Ho can tell me info about this callsignal ligal or not or maybee some kind other information, will be thanks -)

I first time writte on qrz.com forum, so sorry for any kind trouble with language and etc

p.s. I hope that I chosen the section of forum correctly

73 de Sergey, UR3CTB

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S79UN Praslin Island

Posted: 01 Sep 2012 09:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359888-S79UN-Praslin-Island&goto=newpost

IK5RUN will be active from Praslin Island (IOTA AF-024) 21-31 October 2012 as S79UN

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...raslin-island/

73 Al 4L5A

1662. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1077

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-02 19:02:55 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <196349.81962.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2129
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1077
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1077

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1077
BID: $OPDX.1077
September 3, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 26th-August, through Sunday, 2nd-September there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5V, TOGO (Update). Wim, ON4CIT, will be active as 5V7TH from Togo (Grid Square JJ06rf) between October 26th and November 5th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will focus on JAs and use an Icom IC-7000 into a 6-band Broad-

band hexbeam and verticals for 30/40m. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 10112, 14022, 18072, 21022, 24892 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 7070, 14190, 18132, 21292, 24972 and 28492 kHz
RTTY - 7042, 10142, 14082, 18102, 21080, 24922 and 28090 kHz
6m - 50.090/CW, 50.120/SSB and 50.200/RTTY

Wim request on SSB to PLEASE call him only using the "International Radiotelephony Spelling Alphabet". QSL via his home callsign, direct (2 USDs/EU and 3 USDs/US), by the Bureau, LoTW (uploaded year later) or by the ClubLog's OQRS. For more details, visit: http://www.dxpedition.be/5V7TH.html

5X, UGANDA (Update to OPDX.1076). Nick, G3RWF/5X1NH, announced this past week he is "considering how best to get 160 on the air as it is the only band I have not worked and reckon there must be un-met need!" He works at a community university, so this is not a DXpedition but a solo operation with plenty of time to get on the air. He is looking for help/advice in erecting a simple antenna for 160m. Nick states, "I have access to roach poles (30 footers) and can get max height of about 50 feet. No high trees locally and insufficient room for beverage antennas. Contemplating a 50 ft vertical with capacity top loading and some induction at the feed point. I will get grounding as good as possible within local constraints (small site, vehicles near the house etc). What do you think? Grateful for advice on antennas. I would only work CW - lots of experience on HF (110k QSOs from 5X on the other bands) but novice on 160 DX - advice (polite) also invited on operating." Nick's E-mail address is: nick@henwood.demon.co.uk

6V, SENEGAL. Enrico, IK2FIL, will once again be active as 6V7X from Le Calao between September 24th and October 4th. His activity will include the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??)/Low-Power entry. Operations will be on 80-10 meters using Elecraft K3 + KAT3 + KXV3 + KFL3A-400. Outside of the contest, Enrico will be on 30-10 meters RTTY only. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, by the BUREAU or direct to IK2FIL. Visit his Web page at: http://6v7x.jimdo.com

7P8, LESOTHO (Update to OPDX.1051). Donovan, ZS2DL, has finalized his team of operators and plans to arrive in Lesotho on November 21st, and leave on December 4th. Operations will possibly take place between November 23rd and December 3rd. Naturally this means they will be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). The callsign will 7P8D. Operators mentioned are made up of three teams:
South Africans - Donovan/ZS2DL (CW), Mitch/ZS2DK (SSB/RTTY) and Roger/ZS6RJ (CW/RTTY)
Germans - Jo/DJ3CQ (CW), Chris/DL2MDU (CW) and Emil/DL8JJ (CW)
N. Americans - Frosty/K5LBU (SSB,RTTY), Keith/VE7MID (CW) and Neil/VA7DX (CW)
Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with a minimum of three stations (possibly 5 stations) on the air 24/7. The suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1820, 3520, 7026, 10105, 14020, 18075, 21020, 24895 and 28015 kHz

SSB - 1840, 3780, 7160, 14185, 18150, 21220, 24945 and 28480 kHz
RTTY - 7038, 10138, 14085, 18102, 21085, 24922 and 28080 kHz
ADDED NOTES: They will be listen up.
NO 60m - Licence does not cover it-Sadly!
QSL direct via: LESOTHO DXPEDITION 2012, P.O. Box 29169, Sunridge Park, 6008, SOUTH AFRICA (w/2 USDs - Please no IRC as it is difficult to convert at the post office). A OQRS system (PayPal) will also be implemented just before the expedition. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within 6 months after the DXpedition has ended. For more details, visit: http://www.zs2dl.co.za/7P8D.html

8P, BARBADOS. Dean, 8P6SH, will be active as 8P2K during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via KU9C.

9J, ZAMBIA. Shinichi, JA7SGV, is now active as 9J2JA from Zambia. His length of stay is unknown. Activity has been on the HF bands (30/20/17/15 meters) using CW. QSL via his home callsign.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS (Update). Kuroi, JH0MGJ/AL5A, will be active as AL5A/AH0 from Saipan Island (OC-086) between September 7-9th. He informs OPDX that he will stay at the rental shack on Saipan and will operate for just several (ten) hours on 40-10 meters using a 1 kw on SSB or CW. Also, he states that he will bring his FT-817 with him and be active as AL5A/AH0/QRP several times. Kuroi states that he will be looking "for many friends who will be in the Europe". QSL via LoTW. If you want a paper QSL (if it is necessary), his QSL Manager is JA7JEC.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators George, KQ8Z/GM0IIO, will be active as C6AZZ from Grand Bahama Island (NA-080, WLOTA 0527, WW Loc. FL06UO) between October 24-31st. Activity will focus on 6 meters (CW, SSB, FM) if there are any band openings, otherwise on 80-10 meters, mainly CW with some SSB using his Icom 756Pro3. His activity will also include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. George will use a 80m OCFD antenna at 40 feet. The 20m antenna will be a full sized 20m delta loop right on the beach vertically polarized with the apex at 40 feet. QSL via KQ8Z.

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. German operators Helge/DG3FAW, Knut/DJ6KS and Matthias/DJ8OG will be active as CT9/homecall from AF-014 between September 4-11th. Look for Matthias/DJ8OG to be active as CR3L during the Worked All Europe DX (WAE) Contest (September 8-9th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL CR3L via DJ6QT, all others via their home callsigns.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
XU1A • Cambodia; 1998 Operation

Bill states, "After reviewing new information, we have concluded that the XU1A documentation and operation are acceptable and sufficient and that QSLs will be accepted for DXCC. If you have had QSLs rejected please

send an E-mail to <bmoore@arrl.org> to be placed on the list for update.
(If you remember the submission in which you included the QSL please note
this to expedite the search for the rejected QSO)."

DX MAGAZINE'S MOST WANTED SURVEY. Carl, N4AA, editor of "QRZ DX" and
"The DX Magazine", reports to DXers: "Effective immediately the 2012
Most Wanted Survey form is available on the DX Publishing web site.
Please go to: www.dxpub.net and under the heading MOST WANTED SURVEY
you will find a link to the form. Click on '2012 SURVEY'.
Several prefixes are in BOLD type. These are ones which may cause
confusion due to their similarity, i.e. 3D2, VK9, VK0, etc. Please use
care when marking these to be sure the correct one is counted.
There are a few shown in RED. These indicate either an addition to the
list from last year or a change in the prefix (ZK2 is now E6).
There is a 'block' at the bottom of the form for you to send along any
comments, or to include any country that you need which is not on the
list.
Please pass the word to your friends and to any DX clubs in your area
that the survey will be available until October 15th.
Thanks for your participation. 73, Carl, N4AA"

DXPEDITION VIDEO AVAILABLE. The HK0NA Malpelo Island DXpedition DVD is
now available and can be ordered online at: http://www.k4uee.com/dvd

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting
their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them
(possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2012 - ID9A Strombolicchio Island (EU-017):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eOfROfax0
2008 - VE2DXY CQWW Contest DXpedition to Zone 2:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_AKj_UMnY
2008 - Ham Radio QRP DXpedition into the Needles Utah's Canyonlands:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vyovWRd-0 (Part 1)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vL8D63REc (Part 2)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oOU0eL24w (Part 3)
2003 - TX4PG Marquesas Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oCP_6r70E

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to
have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use, and we will publish
it.

E5, NORTH COOK ISLANDS. Andy/AB7FS (E51AND) and his XYL Kathy are still
(as they call it) stranded on Palmerston Atoll (OC-124), North Cook
Islands, possibly until September 16th or 17th. It does not sound like
the couple is having a good time there. Andy states, "I have minimal
equipment with me and there are no stores or supplies on island so it is
'make do with what we have!'." He is operating under a solar charged
battery power for his FT857D into a Snowdonia Radio Co. SRCX80 5m vertical,
and for CW he is using a hand key and paper logging in a school exercise
book. He states, "Life on island is COMPLETELY different from anything

one might experience in the U.S. or Europe and operating is interrupted
by things like the battery being used to pump water, the social demands
of my host family, a visit from the island secretary . . . ." To read
his complete report, go to QRZ.com under E51AND. QSL via AB7FS.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Rudi, ZL2KBR, will be active as E51KBR from
Rarotonga Island (OC-013) between November 12-19th. Activity will be
holiday style on 20-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via ZL2KBR.

HG1912, HUNGARY. Members of the Puskas Tivadar Radio Aamateur Club (HA5KHC)
will be active as HG1912PTTT from Budapest between now and September 30th.
Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the "Puskas Tivadar"
Telecommunications Technical High School. Operations will be on all HF
bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via HA5AUC by the HA QSL
Bureau. Visit the club's Web page at: http://www.ha5khc.hu

IOTA NEWS.............
EU-052. Dirk, ON5CT, will be active as SV8/ON5CT/P from Corfu Island
(Greek IOTA INS-042) between September 4-18th. Activity will
be on 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using SSB and RTTY (preferred).
QSL via LoTW or eQSL. NO PAPER QSL.

NA-124. (Update) Operators Felix/XE2I, Saul/XE2HQI, Tony/XE2HVF,
Enrique/XE2AA, Fred/KG6HGK, Craig/XE2HWJ, Ana/XE2IHA, Jose/
KD6AFA and Manuel/XE2HUQ will be active as XF1F from San
Francisco Island between October 7-13th. Activity will be on
all HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. The team will use
Hexbeams for HF bands and wires for lower bands. QSL via XE2HUQ.

OC-233. Scott, VK7HVK, will once again be active as VK7HVK/p from
his holiday home on Bruny Island between September 9-14th
(pending repairs to the tower). His activity is usually 20
meter SSB. QSL via his home callsign direct (see QRZ.com).

OC-271. (New One!) Joppy, YB8XM, and possibly another operator will
be active as YB8XM/6 from Babar Island between November 1-6th.
QSL via YB9BU. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 3-9th)....
Sep/03rd AN Sep/06th HN Sep/08th HN
Sep/04th AN Sep/07th AN-HN Sep/09th AN-HN
Sep/05th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99

VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Anci, JA2ZL, will be active as KH8/JA2ZL from Pago Pago, American Samoa (OC-045), between October 23-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will use a TS-480HX into a HX-5Bi Hexbeam, 30m vertical, 2 element 40m and 80m vertical. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Yuriy, N2TTA, will be active as KP2MM during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.n2tta.info

NH8, SWAINS ISLANDS. Two members of the 19 international NH8S DXpedition team, Joe/W8GEX and Dietmer/DL3DXX, arrived on American Samoa late Thursday evening to coordinate last minute details. The reminder of the team will arrive in Pago Pago late Monday evening, September 3rd. They anticipate leaving for Swains Island on Tuesday morning for the 24 hour boat trip. Since the equipment is already there, they should be able to get right to work on erecting the antennas and setting up stations. They are anxious to get on the air and will be active as soon as possible.
Joe, W8GEX, mentions in his "60m Newsletter" this week that [edited] "This tent/generator operation will start around September 6th, and last until September 18th. I'll be on channel 5 when I am on, unless I have QRN and then I'll move the channel 4. It will take a few days after the operation has started before I think about getting on 60 meters. San, K5YY, will be my pilot station, and he will keep you posted on my activities. I plan to look for Europe around 0400z during their sunrise. I think the best time for NA should be between 0900z to 1100z. If you don't hear me, feel free to call me as we may just be monitoring the channel. Keep in mind I have my regular three hour shift to perform on the other bands, and I'll work you guys in between. I'll try to have Jerry, WB9Z, who's a great op and knows the 60m band, help me out. Please give your call many times in order for us to get your call. I will have a beverage so that will be helpful on receive. I am using a vertical I have made, and our propagation charts says we should be able to work NA East coast at S3 levels. Let's hope this is the case to get some W1s and W2s in the log." More details on the NH8S operation, see the Web site: http://nh8s.org

LAST MINUTE NH8S UPDATE BEFORE GOING TO PRINT:
"SAFE LANDING ON SWAINS ISLAND
SWAINS ISLAND 2012 NH8S DX-PEDITION
The weather was absolutely gorgeous on Swains Island for off loading the cargo and David's crew. They arrived on Saturday afternoon, August 25, 2012, and had enough tide for the landing craft to off load most of the fuel, supplies, and David and his crew. They immediately set up a couple of tents at the beach for shading while awaiting supplies from the ship.
Then Sunday morning at high tide they off loaded the rest of the cargo.
The MV. Sili departed Swains Sunday @ Noon, and arrived Pago Pago early Monday morning August 27, 2012.
Hands down, the star of the show was this old landing craft that was

specially repaired for this operation. It was able to take all the cargo fuel and passengers all the way to the beach with about 5 trips. David and his crew are currently clearing areas to construct stations, sleeping quarters and restroom facilities. Since the arrival of Team Leader Joe Pater And Dietmar Kasper, David has been working with Joe on specific station Locations on the island.
Everything is in place and the SWAINS ISLAND 2012 NH8S DXPEDITION is shaping up. We are finalizing our food supplies and await the arrival of the rest Of the Team set for Monday night, September 3, 2012. Then the Team and cooks will depart for Swains by noon September 4, 2012. The only other thing that will make this more exciting is if the Team members will bring with them all their &#65533;McGaiver Tricks&#65533; for 2 week survival on a remote island like Swains Island. Oh I hope everyone likes fish because the fish is really biting, and the reef is full of lobsters.
- Alex Jennings"

To see the NH8S Press Release with pictures, visit the NODXA FaceBook page at:
https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set&#65533;458786304155996.109243.43799886
9568073&type&#65533;l&#65533;7f153a10

PACIFIC TOUR (5W, KH8 and Possibly ZK3). Opertaors John/N7CQQ and Ron/N6XT are on an exploratory trip to American Samoa (KH8), Western Samoa (5W0) and possibly Tokelau (ZK3). They depart the West Coast USA on Thursday, August 30th, for Pago Pago, American Samoa, via Honolulu, Hawaii. John and Ron will be in American Samoa to see the Swains expedition group off from American Samoa. During the 30 day trip to the Samoa area, John and Ron hope to get permission to visit Tokelau for two weeks. Their equipment will be shipped to Samoa via US Postal Service to Pago Pago, American Samoa. They will take a flight from American Samoa to Apia, Western Samoa. They hope to find the Tokelau Visitors center open on Saturday where they hope to get permission to visit Tokelau. They will return to American Samoa to get their gear, see the Swains guys off and take a ferry either to Tokelau or back to Western Samoa. If all else fails, they will set up shop in Western Samoa to operate and continue to try to get permission to visit Tokelau. Western Samoa has a few islands that they might visit during their stay. John hopes to get his old 5W0QQ callsign and Ron will get his special 5W callsign. They also might operate from American Samoa during late September while they await their flight home. John and Ron will both be using ICOM IC 7000 transceivers with SteppIR BIG Vertical antennas. They will construct wire antennas for 80 and possibly 160 meters. They might have access to an amplifier on Western Samoa, as John, N7CQQ, is taking two 3-500z tubes to Atsuo Sakuma, 5W1SA, the only Ham at Western Samoa. Support for this mini expedition was received from SteppIR Antennas, ICOM America, The DX Store, and Radio World of Boulder City, Nevada. QSL to Ron and John via their QRZ.com home callsign addresses.

PC12, NETHERLANDS (Special Event). Fred, PA0FAW, will be operating PC12WSF between September 3-30th. Activity will take place during the World Statues Festival in Arnhem. Operations will be on CW, SSB and PSK etc. Fred has

the reference numbers: DIG1487, ISWL PA-11092 and WAB-11722. QSL via
PA0FAW, direct, by the Bureau or EQSL (NO LoTW and SWLs are welcome).
More details will be on QRZ.com.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated Setember 2nd)

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4L1MA via ON4RU HF50ZST via SP3POW SV8/IK0BZY via
IK0BZY
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d) HG1912PTTT via HA5AUC SV9/DJ3MY/P via
DJ3MY
8P/J88CG via J88CG HL2/KA8U via JS1KQQ SZ1SV via SV1SV
9A/DJ5MJ via DJ5MJ HS0ZKS via K7BV T6SM via DL3ASM
9H3KB via DL5NUA HZ1DS via DJ9ZB TF4X via G3SWH
9J2JA via JA7SGV J28UC via F5RQQ UE40MD via UA4LU
9M2DVR via JF3DVR KH0XH via JE1XUZ UK8GBL via RW6HS (d)
CO6LC via EA5GL KH0XW via JQ2WTT V44KAI via W5TFW
CO8LY via EA7ADH NH7O via EA5GL VI4WIP50 via VK4WIP
CX2BR via EA5GL OE/HA3HK/P via HA3HK YP3A via YO3ND
EG5VCE via EA7HBC OH7KA via OH3KAV YP5A via YO5KUC
EG6SDC via EA1AUM OJ0KA via OH3KAV YV1FPT via EA5GL
EM4IFF via US5IQ OZ/DL6LZM via DL6LZM YV5KAJ via EA5KB
G8T via G4SHF S555E via S50E ZS6/IW5ELA via
IW5ELA
GX0ROC via G0ROC SN0LED via SP3OL
HC2SL via HD2A SV5/DL7YS/P via DL7YS
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW

OLD QSL COLLECTION (Update). Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone
to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 10000 old
QSL cards in several different albums/galleries. This site contains:
- The ten most wanted DXCC entities (2004 to 2011) with more than
300 QSLs
- At least one card for each 60 deleted DXCC countries (more than
1400+ QSLs)
- Nearest the totality of current prefixes, disappeared now (more
than 3600+ QSLs)
- Album for stations from North Africa 1945-1962 (300+ QSLs)
- More than 850 QSLs from the Antarctic bases.
- Nearly 270 QSLs from the TAAF (Terres Australes and Antarctiques
Francaises).
- More than 300 QSLs for the rare French Pacific Islands such as
FK/C, FO/C, FO/A, FO/M, FO/C and FW
- Nearly 100 cards from Eparses Islands such as FR/B/E/G/J/T
- The FG, FM, FP, FS, FY stations from 1945 to 1970
- More than 1400 cards for the old timer with more than 130 countries
before 1945.
- Cards from the French Department before 1945.
- At least one card from each of the states in the U.S. before 1945.

The URL address for the Web site is: http://LesNouvellesDX.free.fr
Some cards are still needed for the collection, and your particip-
ation is welcome. Please visit their site and give them your comments
by sending an E-mail to: LesNouvellesDX@free.fr

QSL ROUTE CHANGE. Khalid, A61BK, has decided to manage his own cards.
As of August 20th, all cards for Khalid should now go direct to him at
his new QRZ.com address. Buzz, NI5DX, will no longer be confirming any
cards for A61BK. However, he will answer any A61BK cards that arrive in
the next Bureau shipment to NI5DX. After this shipment, no A61BK cards
will be confirmed via the Bureau either.
Effective immediately, also NI5DX will no longer be answering requests
for any of the special event callsigns (A60HD, A60A, A60JJ, A60ITU,
A60WARD, and A60DWC). Please check QRZ.com to see the QSL route.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5C13KD, 5C5W, 6O0CW, 7O6T, 7S0X, 9A5AN, 9J2CA,
9M0L, 9V1YC, A45XR, A61BK, A61ZX, A92IO, AP2IA, BD4CQ, CE2/VE7SV, CE2WZ,
CN8KD, CT3DZ, DU3/N0QM, F4GQY, F8AEJ, FK/F4BKV, FK8DD, FP/VA2WA, G4GIR,
G4ZOY, GM3YOR, GM3YTS, GO3NPA, HK0NA, HP1/IQ6CC, HU2DX, IK6DTB, IZ2GRG,
JH0INP, KH2L, KH6ND/KH5, MD0CCE, MM0BQN, NI1N, OV2B, PC4U, PJ4/LU8ADX,
PJ5/K3TRM, PJ5/SP6EQZ, PJ7PT, PT7ZZ, PZ5RA, RI1ANF, RX3AGD, SP5APW,
SP7ATA, SQ9OH, TF3PPN, TI2HAS, TN2T, TO3X, TY1KS, UA3LLR, UT5JCE, UU1AZ,
VE8GER, VK7ZE, WL7E, XE2S, YB0MZI/4, YB0NFL, YB1HK, YB2LSR, YB3OX,
YV5KAJ and ZD9GI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3DA0FC, 3D2MP, 3D2T, 6O0CW, 9K2/SP4R, 9L0W,
C50C, CP4BT, D3AA, FM/F6ARC, FR4NT, FR8NE, H6VA, J20RR, J28RO, J68HZ,
JD1BMH, KL7RCC/p, OX/DL3GCS, P41HQ, T2T, TU2T, UI8ZAA, VP2ETE, VR2XMT
and YN4SU

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3B9WR, 3C0E, 3D2A, 3D2ML, 3V8SM, 4KT9W,
5N0OCH, 5R8WW, 5W0OJ, 6W1RW, 6W2SC, 7Z1HL, 9A1MB, 9L5MS, 9M2TO, 9M8DX,
9U0A, 9U1RSI, 9X0CW, 9X0SP, 9Y4HQ, A25/DL7DF, A35AY, A6/DL9WVM, B1HQ,
BV9G, BX4AA, CT3/DJ6QT, CT9/DL3KWF, DP1POL, E21YDP, EL2A, FG5NO, FJ/OS1T,
FS/F8PDR, FS/F5AHO, HB0/HB9AON, HP1/OA4WW, HU2DX, IG9U, IF9E, IM0/IK0FMB,
IS0ANT, IS0BNC, IS0ESG/QRP, IS0SWW, J28A, J79AN, JT1GCV, JW5X, JW9VDA,
OD5/DL6SN, OX2A, P29VCX, P4/DK1MM, P41HQ, PJ4C, PP0T, S9DX, SV5/DL2DXA,
T32JB, TA/DL7BC, TC2012WKD, TC57A, TF/DL3SEM, TG9IRP, TK4W, TN2T, TO7ZG,
TX3T, TX4T, TX6T, TX7M, TY4TW, V21ZG, V5/DJ2HD, V5/DH3WO, VK9C/G6AY,
VP2MTA, VP6T, VP8LP, XE3MAYA, XV4SP, XV4YY, YJ0VK, ZA1TC, ZD7XF, ZL1BYZ,
ZL6LH, ZL8X and ZY0T

S7, SEYCHELLES. Operators Luca/I5IHE, Simone/IK5RUN and Dan/I5OYY will
be active as S79LC, S79UN and S79YY, respectively, from Praslin (AF-024)
between October 21st and November 4th. Activity will be holiday style on
80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Equipment will be a Elecraft K2 and
KX3 transceiver into home made 5 band vertical antenna (on the beach) and
a G5RV. QSL via their home callsign, direct only or LoTW. Online logs
will be available at: http://www.ik5run.it/s79.html

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Martin, DL3ASM, is now active as T6SM from ISAF Camp
Marmal, Mazari Sharif, until the end of November. Activity has been on

20/17/15/10 meters using CW (preferred) and SSB. He is operating with an Icom IC7000 with 75 watts into a 7m Vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsigns.

TC, TURKEY (LH Op!). Members of the "TC Special Wireless Activity Team" (TCSWAT) and the "Giresun Radio Amateurs and Nature Sports Club" (GITRAD) continued to activate lighthouses in Turkey this past weekend for their "Western Blacksea Lighthouses On The Air (WEBLOTA) Award". The next and last operations for this award will take place in September. In mid-September look for TC6GLH from Sinop Gerze Lighthouse and the last activation will be TC2ZLH from Zonguldak Lighthouse at the end of September. QSL via TA1HZ (please do not hurry to send for QSL cards, they will be printed at the end of January 2013). For more details about the lighthouses award, visit: http://www.qrz.com
http://www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA/index.html

TI, COSTA RICA. Operators Juan/TI2JCY, Carlos/TI2KAC, Mauricio/TI4ZM, Eddie/K4UN, Bob/W4BW, Keith/W4KTR and Lex/W4XO will be active as TI8M from Costa de Pajaros, located in the North West Pacific Coast from Costa Rica, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry. Look for activity before, after and during the contest on 160-10 meters. QSL via route on QRZ.com.

TT8, CHAD (Update to OPDX.1072). Members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" will be active as TT8TT from N'Djamena between October 3-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed in OPDX.1072. Operators mentioned are Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA and Stefano/IK2HKT. The pilot station is Art/IK7JWY. The team will pay particular attention to Japan and the West Coast, as Chad is 40th and 23rd, respectively in the world ranking of the most wanted. QSL direct via I2YSB. QSL by the Bureau via IK2CIO. Logs will be posted to LoTW within six months. A TT8TT survey (for needs), a log search and an OQRS are all available on their Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum is at: http://bit.ly/NVQaav

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Rick, WH0AI (ex-T32AI), is currently active from Kwajalein Island (OC-028) from the Kwajalein Amateur Radio Club station and using the club callsign V73AX. Activity has been on 20/15/10 meters at various times using CW and SSB. Rob, KD7H, had a CW QSO with him, and was told by Rick to QSL via his WH0AI QRZ.com address, but PLEASE use "green stamps" to help with return postage instead of IRCs. Apparently, his wife is having a problem exchanging IRCs for the return postage. Rick will be on Kwajalein for a while working and is trying to obtain a "V73" callsign (he has requested V73AI) which he hopes to have within several days. Also, Rick plans to be active during the upcoming contest season.

ZA, ALBANIA. Operators Franta/OK1HH and Bob/OK2BOB will be active as ZA/homecall between September 12-20th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA (Update). Operators Martin/G3ZAY and Robert/M0VFC
will be active as ZD9UW from Tristan da Cunha possibly on September 27th
for 7 days. They will leave Cape Town on September 20th, for a seven day
trip (depending on the wx) aboard the "Baltic Trader". Activity is not
expected to be on all bands because of the time they have. Logs will be
uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW shortly after their operation (or during,
if an Internet connection is available). QSL cards will be handled by an
OQRS, direct to M0VFC, or via E-mail for Bureau requests. For more details
and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.zd9uw.org.uk
ADDED NOTE: They state on their Web page, "We would like to try and raise
some extra funds for the Tristan da Cunha Educational Trust Fund, and
plan to take some QSL cards to the island. Anyone willing to donate 25
USDs (maximum of 100 donors) will receive a direct card mailed from
Tristan for their first two QSOs (the rest to be posted at no extra cost
to the recipient on return to the UK). We'll add details of how to donate
shortly - check back here soon, or email M0VFC."

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FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
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mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1663. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 2nd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-02 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120902200003.C504E33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2130
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 2nd September 2012

Licence Examination

There is now just under three weeks left to Thursday 20 September which is the closing date for the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m.in the ComReg Offices in Dublin.

Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

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2 Metres Counties Contest

Perhaps it was due to the good weather, but we noticed that there were quite a few portable stations active during last Sunday's counties contest. Two clubs went portable - Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, who operated in their home county of Louth, and Shannon Basin Radio Club who were on Sliabh an Iarainn. We also heard David EI7GEB, who had climbed Sorrell Hill in Wicklow, Pat EI8GZB on Gallows Hill County Clare, Michael EI9GGB who was on Tara Hill in Wexford and Joe EI7GY in County Laois on the Slieve Blooms. There were plenty of fixed stations on the air as well, so the band was reasonably busy for most of the contest. Those who participated should send their logs as soon as possible to contestmanager \at\ irts.ie

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IRTS Shop update

Following discussion with our friends at RSGB the Society has agreed to give a 10% discount to IRTS members on purchases from the RSGB Shop. IRTS members should select the "Non members Price" before placing the order and then enter the special IRTS Discount Code during the checkout process. At this point the 10% discount will be calculated. IRTS

members, who are also RSGB members, should continue to select the "RSGB Member's Price" to get the RSGB Member's discount and not use the IRTS Discount Code. It is not possible to obtain both discounts! The IRTS Discount Code will change from time to time and will be published for members in Echo Ireland. Just follow the 'Book Sales' link on the IRTS website.

North Cork Radio Group

NCRG will be hosting their annual Radio Rally & Electronics Fair to be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork.

Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free). Raffle tickets will also be available at the door.

The usual traders will be present. The AREN trailer will also be at the venue and hopes to have a HF /VHF station set up for visitors to see or work from. Due to high demand, anyone wishing to reserve a table, or anyone interested in setting up a stall, should contact Pat Thompson (EI2GHB) on 085 1407715 or Edwin Van Mierlo (EI2HEB) on 086 3885741, or alternatively via email atei2heb /at/ ei1nc.com, as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Special room rates are on offer, with single rooms at 45 and double/twin rooms at 60 (including breakfast), please quote "North Cork Radio Group" when booking. We would like to congratulate Mick EI9GNB and his wife Tip on the birth of their daughter, Amy, born on Saturday, 18thAugust at 13.45pm.

This year Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.

To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB will be aired between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013. The station will be operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led by Declan EI9HQ and Pete EI4GZB. QSLs to Declan EI9HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

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DX News

The multi-national DXpedition to Swain's Island hope to be QRV by 6 September. This is a separate entity for DXCC purposes and counts as OC-200 for the Island on the Air Award. The callsign to be used is NH8S. The island is owned by the Jennings family and used as a copra plantation. It is culturally a part of Tokelau (ZK3) and has a population of 37 Tokelauans who harvest the island's coconuts. NH8S will be QRV on all bands until 18 September. Full details can be found on www.nh8s.org

Other Pacific activities in the coming week are KK6WW/KH0 and KH0R operated by JA6EGL and JE6DND from the Mariana Islands. They will be

there from 6 - 9 September.

The new E6 prefix will be heard from Niue Island when the calls E6M and E6RS are aired by W7GJ and ZL1RS. Activity is expected to start on 5th September.

Gerard ZS6KX is due to start work on Gough Island later this month. He has applied for the callsign ZD9KX. Gough Island counts as Tristan da Cunha for the DXCC award. This should not be confused with pirate activity from a station signing ZD9KN during August.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1664. eHam.net News for Sunday 2 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-02 22:31:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5161c477337c904c8bf959d@google.com>
Source record: 2131
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Telecom Invites Central Luzon Radio Groups to Inaugural 'Radshow':

Posted: 01 Sep 2012 05:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28918

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, Pampanga, Sept 1 (PIA) -- The National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) invites professional and amateur radio users, dealers, and broadcasters as well as socio-civic organizations, local government units, non-government organizations, and safety officers of private companies in Central Luzon to join the inaugural "Radshow (Radio Show)" on September 7 and 8 at the SMX convention center in SM Mall of Asia in Pasay City. "The conference-trade event, which was organized by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) and Commercial and Amateur Radio Transceivers Dealers Association of the Philippines (CARTDAPI), aims to create awareness on the importance of radio communications during disaster, a realization when cellular phone communications were adversely affected during recent typhoons," NTC Regional Director Azor Sitchon said.

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Australia's One and Only Typewriter Inventor (VK5AV):

Posted: 01 Sep 2012 05:44 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28917

On September 26, 1912, the then 31-year-old Reverend John Flynn presented two long, detailed reports on the Northern Territory to the Presbyterian General Assembly in Melbourne: one on the needs of Aborigines and one on the needs of white settlers. The assembly appointed Flynn superintendent of its Australian Inland Mission, which it established at the same meeting. The centenary of this event will be celebrated in Melbourne on September 22, with a special service at Scots' Church.

1665. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 2 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 02:03:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bac173f4b0b04c8c28da7@google.com>
Source record: 2132
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio flea market brings in a crowd - Carroll County Times

Posted: 19 Aug 2012 09:00 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEyfaZ4OYfyO3OwBT7H0G0Rv66gWA&url=http://www.carrollcountytimes.com/news/local/amateur-radio-flea-market-brings-in-a-crowd/article_8c68188f-4c14-5c71-a819-32dd77dad060.html

Amateur radio flea market brings in a crowd
Carroll County Times
... bright and early on Sunday morning. Kriston was looking to sell items, and said he sold a fair amount of his ham operated radios. Amateur radio is a long-standing hobby from the early 1900s, in which those with a ham radio can interact with one ...

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Into the airwaves; Amateur radio hosts broadcast from lighthouse - The Morning Journal

Posted: 17 Aug 2012 10:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGU1z7WHXRizUS2q26iGP8L2kCYoA&url=http://morningjournal.com/articles/2012/08/18/news/doc502f0b3169554398955114.txt

Norwich Evening News
Into the airwaves; Amateur radio hosts broadcast from lighthouse
The Morning Journal
LORAIN — Four amateur radio operators will spend the weekend broadcasting from the Lorain Lighthouse in a global event designed to promote the preservation of beacons of light. With global positioning systems and cell phones, both lighthouses and ...
Norfolk Amateur Radio Club transmits from Happisburgh Lighthouse for special ...Norwich Evening News
Radio operating group staying in lighthouseChronicle-Telegram
CQ Lighthouse, CQ LighthouseEvanston Now
Harwich and Manningtree Standard -South Wales Argus -Southgate Amateur Radio Club
all 12 news articles

1666. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 3 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 11:11:58 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f642faa31a72e04c8ca3562@google.com>
Source record: 2133
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Busy times for disaster response

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8TNn0u2Wjh4/busy_times_for_disaster_response.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Soon after the strongest earthquake in more than two decades, measuring 7.6 on the Ritcher scale, hit the Philippines members of the Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HERO) soon after were exchanging messages with the affected coastal areas

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Essex Advanced Revision Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vLIxrtUeg34/essex_advanced_revision_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next Advanced revision course run by the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) starts Thursday, October 25

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World Statues Festival

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RUicNjY6aRU/world_statues_festival.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Fred PA0FAW, will be operating PC12WSF from 3rd to 30th September, for the World Statues Festival in Arnhem. Operating CW, SSB and PSK etc

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Tsunami Alert Lifted

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/idF2HTrKVKc/tsunami_alert_lifted.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (Phivolcs) has now lifted its tsunami alert after a 7.6 magnitude undersea earthquake hit east-coast villages

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DXCC News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Vint5yqnR30/dxcc_news_0309.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports on the latest operation to be approved for DXCC credit

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This year Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th birthday

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O4Fo6LLfxH4/dublin_bus.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB is on the air now up to 30th June 2013

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HBFF-048 new one, 03/09/2012 by HB9WFF

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lCy188fQvgs/hb9wff.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are pleased to announce our next WFF expedition with our HBFF Swiss Parks Team special Callsign

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North Cork Radio Rally and Electronics Fair

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WyZe8bTNonI/north_cork_radio_rally_and_electronics_fair.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NCRG will be hosting their annual Radio Rally and Electronics Fair to be held on Sunday, 9th September 2012 at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/feFCDiXysqU/september_03.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XxIcIwWCsk8/dxcc_report_0309.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
26th-August, through Sunday, 2nd-September there were 217 countries active

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_ZuOPeU3sSM/history_03_september.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1667. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 2nd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 12:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120903120003.253FF33C7E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2134
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 2nd September 2012

The news headlines:

Amateur radio helps tracks Hurricane Isaac

Broadcaster vacates 40m amateur band

G5RP Trophy nominations sought

Amateur radio first responders along the United States Gulf shore were ready when Hurricane Isaac slammed ashore on 28 and 29 August. Members of the Hurricane Watch Net took to the air to track its approach and, although band conditions on 20 and 40m were not the greatest, the net continued and began passing storm conditions to the National Hurricane Center in Miami. The Net ceased its operation on the afternoon of Wednesday 29 August once Hurricane Isaac was downgraded to a tropical storm.

Radio Bangladesh has left 7105kHz in the amateur 40m band. They finished the experimental transmissions and are now using 7250kHz. The move is thanks to the many amateur radio users who reported the infringement on the band. Particular thanks go to the German regulator BNetzA, who made official complaints to Radio Bangladesh.

The G5RP Trophy is an annual award for the greatest progress in the DX field made by an RSGB member resident in the UK during the previous 12 months. The award is intended to encourage newcomers to the world of HF DXing. Nominations are being sought for up and coming DXers who have made rapid progress within the last year in the field of DXing. Nominees for the award do not necessarily have to be recently licensed. The HF DX bug can bite at any time! If you are an active DXer and would like to recommend someone to be awarded the G5RP Trophy for 2012, please send your nomination, with a brief outline of why you think they deserve the award, to Ian Greenshields, G4FSU, RSGB HF Manager, by email to ian.greenshields@gmail.com or by post, QTHR, to arrive no later than Friday 21 September. This prestigious award will be presented at the RSGB Convention on 13 October.

Dr Chris Bridges recently appeared on Sky News discussing why space is cool. On 15 and 16 September he will be giving two presentations to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ. The event is open to all. Chris will cover the Nexus Android Smartphone amateur radio satellite STRaND-1 that will carry both a

Resistojet and a Pulsed Plasma Thruster module. He will also cover STRaND-2, which will use Microsoft Xbox Kinect controller technology. These satellites are being built by volunteers from the Surrey Space Centre and SSTL. Further details are online at www.uk.amsat.org/9946.

The International Amateur Radio Union says that it will back the European Broadcasting Union proposal that the top level internet domain dot radio be used to help to create a global radio community. IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, says that the IARU believes that the proposal could provide a unique opportunity to standardise radio domain names on the internet. The complete story on the new dot radio domain and how it will impact all spectrum users is online at www.tinyurl.com/iaru-dot-radio.

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Telford & District ARS are holding their Amateur Radio Hamfest at Enginuity, Coalbrookdale, Telford, today, Sunday 2 September. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £3, with accompanied children free. There will be new and second hand radio equipment, antennas and parts as well as a Bring and Buy. Refreshments will be available on site and there are two pubs nearby. Rally goers can obtain reduced admission to the Enginuity Museum for a real hands-on experience. There will be a special illustrated talk at 11.30am on Light Communications; be seated early as space is limited. For more information, speak to Martyn on 01952 255 416.

Dorking & District Radio Society will take part in the National Trust's Open Day at Polesden Lacy on 8 and 9 September. They will operate special event station GB0NT. Further details from Garth, G3NPC on 01737 359 472.

The North Norfolk Amateur Radio Club Car Boot Sale will take place on 9 September at Muckleburgh Military Collection, Weybourne NR25 7EG. Radio and non radio pitches are available from 7am, doors open 10am. The Radio Museum will be open and admission is free. For further information see www.gb2mc.com.

The Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club Rally will take place in the Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney on 9 September. Details from Bren, 2E0BDS on 01754 820 060.

Now for the news of special events

Kent Weald Radio Club is operating GB1HA today, Sunday 2 September. The event is part of sponsored activities being held at the Headcorn Aerodrome, Kent, in aid of the air ambulance and other local charities, and to demonstrate amateur radio to any visitors. Operations will be on HF and VHF and is open to visits from the public.

Hinckley Amateur Radio Electronics Society will be running a special event station at the Shackerstone Family Festival today, 2 September. Directions for this event are at www.shackerstonefestival.co.uk, with the nearest postcode being CV13 6NB.

Preston Amateur Radio Society will be activating GB0PGY during the month of September to celebrate the Preston Guild, an event which takes place every 20 years. The first transmissions will take place today, Sunday 2 September, and then at various times through the month.

It is hoped that GB2OWM will be on the air Orkney Wireless Museum at Kiln Corner, Kirkwall. Operation is planned between Thursday 6 September and Wednesday 12 September during the 22nd Orkney International Science Festival. Listen out for the station on weekdays and Sunday afternoons between 2 and 4.30pm and Saturday morning between 10am and 12.30pm. Operation will be primarily on HF SSB.

GB1SKC will be on the air for Churches and chapels On the Air, organised by WACRAL, on Saturday 8 September.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

OE4JHW will be operational as 8Q7OE from the Maldives between 3 and 14 September. Activity will be holiday style on 10 through to 40m using SSB and BPSK. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau, alternatively use either Logbook of the World or eQSL.

Moise, F4EZG, who also operates from Madagascar as 5R8VE, will be active from Nosy Alanana off the coast of Madagascar until 3 September. This small island counts as separate from Madagascar and is IOTA AF-090. He will be active mainly on 15 and 20m.

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Yuki, JH1NBN will be on the air as C21BN from Nauru from 3 to 10 September. Activity will be on 10 to 40m. QSL to his home callsign.

Erik, LA2US is on the air as JW2US from Bear Island, IOTA EU-027, until November 30. He is there on work assignment at a meteorological station located about 50 meters from Tromso University. He is generally active on 20, 30 and 40 meters. QSL to his home callsign.

A large group of operators will be on the air as NH8S from 5 to 19 September from Swains Island. Activity will be on 160 to 6m, including 60m, using CW, SSB and RTTY, with seven stations active around the clock. QSL direct to AA4NN.

Now the contest news

Today, 2 September, sees the RSGB SSB Field Day finish at 1300UTC. Expect the 3.5 to 28MHz bands to be busy, the exchange being signal report and serial number.

The 144MHz Trophy Contest also finished today, 2 September, but at 1400UTC. It is hotly contested in the Open category, but there are four other categories and three of them are for single ops, so there are opportunities for all to strive to do well. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The IARU 144MHz Contest takes place at exactly the same time as the RSGB 144MHz Trophy and so also finishes at 1400UTC today, 2 September. The exchange in these two contests are the same and all those who submit a log for the RSGB event will be automatically entered for the IARU event, unless they specify otherwise.

Overlapping the last three hours of the 144MHz Trophy Contest, and then continuing for one hour on its own, the fifth and final 144MHz Backpacker contest also takes place today. In the Backpackers there are two permitted power levels, 3W and 10W. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The All Asian DX SSB finishes at 2359 today, 2 September. Using the 1.8 to 28MHz bands the exchange is signal report and age, although ladies are allowed to give 00.

The 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC on 4 September. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, on 9 September, the second 70MHz contest takes place from 0900 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also next weekend, from 0000UTC on the 8th to 2359 on the 9th, the WAE DX SSB contest takes place. European stations can only work non European stations for this contest. Using all contest bands from 3.5 to 28MHz, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 24th to Thursday the 30th of August, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 31st August.

All the visible groups were small and magnetically simple and with it solar activity was at very low levels. On the 30th though, a sunspot group started to rotate into view over the south-east limb and solar activity increased to moderate levels, when the only M class solar flare of the period took place. Solar flux levels increased from 104 units on the 24th to 128 by the 30th. The average was 113 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 30th was 124 units, the same level as last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B1.6 units on the 24th to B6.7 by the 30th, the average was B3 units. Geomagnetic activity was unsettled from the 24th to the 26th due to a small coronal hole. Activity then decreased and the

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 3 September 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Ap index on the 30th was 3 units. The average was Ap 7 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw

solar wind speeds increase from 350 kilometres per second to 700 by the morning of the 27th. Speeds then gradually declined to 400 kilometres per second by the end of the period. Particle densities were low, except for a brief increase to 14 particles per cubic centimetre on the 25th. Bz varied between minus 9 and plus 11 nanoTeslas during the disturbance and between minus 2 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the 29th and the 30th.

And finally the solar forecast from Sunday the 2nd of September. A new sunspot group has just rotated into view in the last few days and this could be the source of any large solar flare activity taking place this week. Solar activity could be at moderate levels on some days. Solar flux levels should increase and be around the 140's. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels most days. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 23MHz for the south and 20MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 30MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will between 1200 and 1800 hours. With the summer Sporadic-E season just about over now, no more forecasts will be made in this report. However, occasional openings will take place for the next few weeks.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB

website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Sunday 2 September Central Radio Amateur Circle is making a group visit to Telford Hamfest today, 2 September. The regular night on the air is on Thursday from 20.00 on 145.300MHz. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the SSB Field Day & 144MHz Trophy today. On Wednesday there's a natter night with G5FZ on the air. Thursday sees a club repeater net on 145.725MHz from 20.00. The Surgery in the Shack is next Saturday from 9am, and next Sunday sees the second 70MHz Contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Midland Amateur Radio Society is at the Telford Hamfest today. On Wednesday there's an open meeting plus training classes, and the shack will be on the air. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

South Birmingham Radio Society has a club stand at the Telford Hamfest today. On Monday they will be unpacking the trailer and holding a rally debrief. Wednesday sees a lecture in the main hall and Morse class. On Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is running the Telford Hamfest today. On Wednesday GX3ZME is on the air on HF and 2m, plus there's a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Wythall Radio Club has a club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Tuesday there's a free 'n' easy evening alongside the 2m UKAC Contest. Friday sees a social evening in the shack. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Monday Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club has a VHF SSB club net on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarization. Tuesday sees a club meeting from 19.30. On Wednesday there's a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR, and Friday sees a simplex VHF net on 145.450MHz. Next Sunday is the FELCC radio rally and sale at Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney, PE22 8RR, from 9am. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 3 September Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on computers in radio. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday 3 September Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society has a 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday 4 September Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 4 September Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a DF hunt on 2m, from the normal start point.. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 5 September South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Thursday 6 September Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and committee meeting. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

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On Friday 7 September Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the 2011 T32C Kiritimati DXpedition. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday 3 September Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and continues its Advanced course. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday 3 September Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on astronomy projects for the amateur by Ross, G6GVI. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 3 September Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on operating in the 2012 RSGB Commonwealth Contest from Malta by Peter, G3PHO/9H3C. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday 4 September Chester & District Radio Society is having a talk on operating procedure. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday 4 September Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on homebrew antennas by Ken Hough. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday 5 September Denby Dale Radio Club is having a talk and demo on fact and fiction in microwave radio by Gary Whittaker, M1EGI. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Thursday 6 September South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a post-expedition report by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday 6 September Spen Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a layman's guide to software defined radio by Ian, G7DWY. Details from Russell, G0FOI, on 01274 875 038.

On Friday 7 September East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 8 September Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event operating G5N for the SSB Work All Europe Contest. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 4 September Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 5 September Ayr Amateur Radio Group is holding a Bring and Buy sale and a group programme discussion to decide the way forward. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Thursday 6 September Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Fred Gordon, MM0ODL, on 01975 651 365.

On Friday 7 September Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and post event equipment check tonight. On Friday there's a talk by the Sussex Lowland Search and Rescue Team. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8pm on Monday. On Wednesday there's an 80m CW net on 3.570MHz, then a 2m net on 144.675MHz on Friday. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk at Chaseley on Monday. On Wednesday they are operating at the Hailsham Shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday. On Friday they commence the Brede Church weekend for Churches on the Air. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 3 September Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on scanning by Howard, G6LXK. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 3 September East Kent Radio Society is having an evening of holiday photos. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 3 September Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk on the history of sound recording by Alvin, G6DTW. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday 4 September Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a discussion on practical antennas. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday 4 September Leiston Amateur Radio Club is holding a practical session on experiences with portable antennas & digital modes. Details from Andy, G3ZYP, on 01394 460 441.

On Tuesday 4 September Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at its L-C meter club project. Contact Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday 5 September Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831

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On Wednesday 5 September Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on operating in St Lucia by Jonathon Mitchener, G0DVJ. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday 5 September Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding a club forum to discuss talks that you would like to hear or offer. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 5 September Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on how to reach the top in SOTA by Bob, G3VXJ. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 6 September Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club night, with CW practice from 8:30 - 9:00pm. Details from Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday 6 September Cray Valley Radio Society is having a talk on Health & Safety for the radio amateur by Dave, M0BGR. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 6 September Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday 6 September Vange Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

Copyright RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 3 September 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Friday 7 September Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having an evening of short talks. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Saturday 8 September Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society commences its Foundation course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Saturday 8 September Dorking & District Radio Society commences its weekend event operating GB0NT for the National Trust open day at Poulsden Lacey. Details from Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Saturday 8 September Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual summer barbecue. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Exeter Amateur Radio Society holds its Monday HF net on 3.675MHz at 19:45. On Tuesday the 2m net is at 19.45 and the 4m net takes place on Thursday at 19.00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting on Wednesday, and having a main club meeting on Thursday. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Sunday 2 September Jersey Amateur Radio Society has the second part of its Field Day and will be active on all HF bands using phone and CW. Details from Rob Luscombe, MJ0RZD, on 07797 923 916.

On Monday 3 September Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday 5 September Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is visiting GB2NLO at the Norman Lockyer Observatory in Sidmouth. More information from Peter Robinson, G0EYR, on 07811 635 819.

On Wednesday 5 September Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is looking at Eddystone radio restoration with Mike, M1DPB. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 6 September Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club has a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday 7 September Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and running the TARS 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday 8 September Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is running a special event station at Arlington Court for the National Trust. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 3 September Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on contests as a learning tool by GW0ETF. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 4 September Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is having a night on the air on GB3FG. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

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1668. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 2nd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 12:52:38 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <S84c7YEWgKRQFwS3@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2135
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <20120903120003.253FF33C7E@panix2.panix.com>,
Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk writes
>GB2RS NEWS
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>Sunday 2nd September 2012
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>The news headlines:
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>Broadcaster vacates 40m amateur band
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>Radio Bangladesh has left 7105kHz in the amateur 40m band. They
>finished the experimental transmissions and are now using 7250kHz. The
>move is thanks to the many amateur radio users who reported the
>infringement on the band. Particular thanks go to the German regulator
>BNetzA, who made official complaints to Radio Bangladesh.
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And in the meantime, another illegal BC station starts up (from
Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 2 September 2012).

Somaliland Sun - Radio Hargeisa on 7120 kHz

Posted:
<http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jInD2D-RBYk/radio_hargeisa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email>

The Somaliland Sun reports that the newly installed Radio Hargeisa
transmitter is being heard world-wide on 7120 kHz in the amateur radio
40m band.
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Ian

1669. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 2nd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 14:22:34 UTC
From: Lordgnome <les@nospam.null>
Message-ID: <M231s.169829$0b5.92276@fx28.am4>
Source record: 2136
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 03/09/2012 13:52, Ian Jackson wrote:
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> And in the meantime, another illegal BC station starts up (from
> Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 2 September 2012).
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> Somaliland Sun - Radio Hargeisa on 7120 kHz
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> Posted:
> <http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jInD2D-RBYk/radio_har
> geisa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email>
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> The Somaliland Sun reports that the newly installed Radio Hargeisa
> transmitter is being heard world-wide on 7120 kHz in the amateur radio
> 40m band.
Pirates by sea, pirates via radio then!

Les.

1670. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 27 August - 02 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 15:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120903153001.C453F33C7E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2137
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Sep 03 1342 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
27 August - 02 September 2012

Solar activity was very low 27 and 28 August. Moderate activity was
observed on 30 August as Region 1563 (S25, L=078, class/area Dso/70
on 01 September) produced the largest flare of the period, an M1 at
30/1211 UTC. Solar activity was at low levels for the remainder of
the period. A C8/2f flare associated with a filament eruption in the
southeast quadrant of the solar disk occurred at 31/2043 UTC. An
associated CME was observed on SOHO/LASCO and STEREO A/B
coronagraphs with a possible Earth-directed trajectory. Two other
CMEs were observed on 02 September in STEREO A COR2 imagery
beginning at 02/0409 UTC and 02/1109 UTC with potential
Earth-directed components.

A greater than 10 MeV proton event (category S1-Minor) associated
with the filament eruption on 31 August, began at 01/1335 UTC,
reached a maximum of 60 pfu at 02/0850 UTC, and is currently above
threshold.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels on 27 August. Levels increased to high from 28
through 31 August. Moderate levels were observed for the remainder
of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity was mostly quiet from 27 August through
01 September. Activity increased on 02 September with unsettled to
active conditions observed due to an extended period of negative Bz.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
03 September - 29 September 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels with a
slight chance for M-class activity through the forecast period.
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The greater than 10 MeV proton event currently in progress is expected to remain above the 10 pfu threshold 03-04 September with a additional enhancements possible with CME arrivals.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate or lower levels from 03-16 September, 21-23 September, and 27-29 September. High levels are forecast 17-20 September and 24-26 September due to coronal hole (CH) effects.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be as high as minor storm (G1) conditions on 03 September with anticipated effects from the 31 August CME. Residual elevated conditions ranging from unsettled to minor storm levels are expected to persist from 03-06 September due to continued transient activity in conjunction with possible CH effects. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 08 September through 29 September with the exception of two CH periods; 14-16 September and 20-23 September, which should see unsettled to active periods.

1671. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 3 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 16:25:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447f0e841841004c8ce971a@google.com>
Source record: 2138
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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2012 Salmon Run (aka WA QSO Party)

Posted: 02 Sep 2012 01:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360036-2012-Salmon-Run-(aka-WA-QSO-Party)&goto=newpost

The Western Washington DX Club has announced that the 2012 Salmon Run (aka WA State QSO Party) will take place September 15 - 16. Full details and rules for this very popular event can be found on the WWDXC website.

So, what's so special about this QSO Party? Aside from nifty certificates for high scorers, packages of smoked salmon will be awarded to (at least) the highest scoring entry in each of the following 30 categories:

Out of Washington:

First Call AreaSecond Call AreaThird Call AreaFourth Call AreaFifth Call AreaSixth Call AreaSeventh Call AreaEighth Call AreaNinth Call AreaTenth Call AreaHigh PowerLow PowerQRP

DX/VE:

CanadaDX Entities

Inside Washington:

Single Operator High PowerSingle Operator Low PowerSingle Operator QRPSingle Operator CWSingle Operator SSBSingle Operator Mixed ModeExpedition - Single OperatorExpedition - Multi-Operator 1 TransmitterExpedition - Multi-Operator 2 TransmitterWashington MobileWashington Club Station - Multi-Operator 1 TransmitterWashington Club Station - Multi-Operator 2 TransmitterWashington YLRookie of the YearWashington Club Aggregate Score

To qualify for prizes the minimum number of QSOs is: DX 25 and USA 50. Other salmon prizes, awards and sponsored plaques at the discretion of the awards committee. That's right, if you do well, you can eat your prize! :cool:

This station will be active on 160/80/40/20/15/10m bands, using CW & SSB modes.

1672. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 3 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 16:28:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404f3fa4d5c04c8cea2cb@google.com>
Source record: 2139
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Busy times for disaster response

Posted: 03 Sep 2012 01:31 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360095-Busy-times-for-disaster-response&goto=newpost

Busy times for disaster response

Soon after the strongest earthquake in more than two decades,
measuring 7.6 on the Ritcher scale, hit the Philippines members of the Ham
Emergency Radio Operations (HERO) soon after were exchanging messages with
the affected coastal areas.

Eddie Valdez DU1EV, the Chief Operating Officer of the
Philippines Amateur Radio Association said that DU1VHY handled traffic and
got reports from the affected areas of DU4, DU5, DU6, DU8 and DU9.

Eddie DU1EV said "The area of DU5 was nearest the epicenter
and DV5PO reported there was a power outage in Borongan, Samar Island.
DV5RAY reported tha people were evacuating because of the tsunami alert."

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology later lifted its
tsunami alert after only small waves were generated and not the
life-threatening waves that can be expected to occur with an earthquake of
that size. It also caused tsunami warnings in Indonesia, Japan and Papua
New Guinea.

He said the earthquake was felt over a wide area with
numerous reports including shaking chandeliers and triggering alarms in
some vehicles.

Eddie DU1EV said it was good that many hams in the affected
areas showed up on the 2-metre and 40-metre emergency channels and other
districts were on standby if needed.

The undersea earthquake struck the central part of the
archipelago off the town of Guiuan on Samar Island on Friday. It killed
one person in collapsing house, caused damage to infrastructure and people
to flee to higher ground.Tens of thousands of people have since returned
home.

Eddie DU1UV reports that an initial assessment by the government's
National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council is that there was no
major structural damage in the affected areas. Most of the homes destroyed
were made of light materials in the coconut growing low socioeconomic area.

In February this year a 6.8 quake killed 51 and left more
than 60 people missing in the Negros and Cebu regions on the Philippines.

The latest earthquake followed HERO being activated during
the flooding caused by heavy recent seasonal monsoon rains and storms,
including most of the capital of Manila being under water during a 48 hour
deluge.

Authorities have also renewed their warning of further
disasters in the Pacific-rim of fire which includes the Philippines, where
an earthquake measuring 7.9 killed thousands in the area of Luzon on July
16, 1990.

Jim Linton VK3PC

Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee

and

Eddie Valdez DU1EV

Chief Operating Officer of PARA

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AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

September 2, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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Board of Directors Ballots Due by September 15

AMSAT Corporate Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA reminds all AMSAT-NA members, "Your ballots for the 2012 Board of Directors election need to be received at AMSAT-NA headquarters by September 15th, 2012. This is one of your best opportunities to make your views on the path of our organization known."

Ballots for the 2012 AMSAT-NA Board of Directors election have been mailed to all members. Also included is biographical information about each of the candidates.

Select no more than three of the six listed candidates (in alphabetical order):

Tom Clark, K3IOSteve Coy, K8UDMark Hammond, N8MHLou McFadin, W5DIDGould Smith, WA4SXMPatrick E. Stoddard, WD9EWK

The 3 candidates receiving the most votes will become directors serving 2 year terms. The 2 receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternates for 1 year terms.

You must mail your ballot back to be received at the AMSAT-NA Office no later than the close of business on September 15, 2012:

AMSAT

850 Sligo Avenue, #600

Silver Spring, MD 20910

[ANS thanks AMSAT Corporate Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

IARU International Amateur Radio Satellite Forum

The IARU International Amateur Radio Satellite Forum will this year be held in conjunction with the AMSAT-UK Colloquium which takes place in Guildford, England on the weekend of September 15-16.

The forum, chaired by IARU Amateur Satellite Advisor Hans van de Groenendaal ZS6AKV, takes place on Saturday, September 15 at 1700 BST (1600 UT). On the Agenda is a report on the activities of the IARU Satellite Adviser and his Advisory Panel.

Colloquium information can be found here.

IARU Amateur Radio Satellite Frequency Coordination web page.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Atlas V Launch From Vandenberg Re-scheduled to September 13

The Atlas V NROL-36 launch from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, originally planned for August has been now re-scheduled for September 13. This date was selected as one of the first available for launch range operations.

This launch will be carrying a pair of ocean surveillance satellites to locate ships at sea. Also aboard this flight at four cubesats as part of ELaNa IV mission and seven cubesats for government missions.

The ELaNa Cubesats aboard are:

CINEMA (Cubesat for Ion, Neutral, Electron, Magnetic fields)

Downlinks for engineering telemetry and command are in the 2400-2450 MHz range; Science telemetry is in 2200-2300 MHz range.
CSSWE (Colorado Student Space Weather Experiment)

Downlink 437.345 MHz, 9k6 with AX25
CP5 (PolySat)

Downlink 437.405 MHz at 1 watt, AFSK on LSB AX.25 over NRZI at 1200 baud, every 2 minutes, begins 3.5 hours after first turn-on.
CXBN (Cosmic X-Ray Background Nanosatellite)

Downlink 437.525 MHz, GFSK, AX.25

The US Government Satellites aboard are:

Aeneas

First cubesat to deploy 2.4 GHz Dish Antenna. WIFI transmitter will transmit on 2425.0 MHz with 1 watt of output power.Downlink 437.600 MHz AX25 1200 bps beacon every 10 seconds and spread spectrum two-way link

elsewhere in the 70cm band.
ORSES (ORS Enabler Satellite)HorusReAerocube 4A, 4B, 4C

Testing deployable solar panels.Technology demonstration of
□parachute-like□ devices to deorbit satellites.Testing closed-loop attitude
control system based around a three-axis gyroscope.

A discussion of the launch re-scheduling can be found on-line. at:

Please refer to the prior bulletin for mission summaries and satellite team web pages.

A detailed article of the launch can be found on-line.

[ANS thanks NASA, the CubeSat Teams noted above, AMSAT-UK, Gunter's Space Page and nasaspaceflightnow.com for the above information]

Rooms Still Available for AMSAT-UK Colloquium

AMSAT-UK Hon Sec Jim Heck, G3WGM says, "There are still rooms available at the hotel at which the AMSAT-UK Colloquium will be held on September 14, 15 and 16. The location of the Colloquium is at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, Surry, UK. TO BE SURE OF A ROOM AT THE HOTEL YOU SHOULD BOOK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO AVOID DISSAPPOINTMENT!"

This week, Dave Johnson, G4DPZ announced on behalf of the AMSAT-UK Committee that the program for the Colloquium is now posted on-line.

AMSAT-UK is pleased to welcome senior representatives from AMSAT-NA, AMSAT-DL and AMSAT-SA who will be giving status updates on their respective development programs.

There will be an update on the FUNcube project as well as some realtime demos of the Engineering model.

There are some other surprises in the programme, so please take a look.

Details of the Colloquium itself can be found here.

Exclusive New Product Launch at AMSAT-UK Colloquium

AMSAT-UK are delighted to announce that Howard Long, G6LVB, will be present at the Colloquium this year and will be launching a new "FUNcube Dongle PRO-PLUS" during his presentation.

Full technical details have been embargoed until his talk and we are not permitted to steal his thunder by releasing further details of this new product in advance. Attendees at the Colloquium will therefore be the first to learn about Howard's latest development which will further advance the applications for SDR devices.

Further details are at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/9565#more-9565 - and at - http://www.uk.amsat.org/colloquium/twelve.

You can book online using PayPal or Credit Card at:
http://shop.amsat.org.uk/shop/catalog/browse

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK Hon Sec Jim Heck, G3WGM, Dave, G4DPZ and Trevor, M5AKA for the above information]

Smartphone and Kinect Satellite Presentations at AMSAT-UK Colloquium

Dr Chris Bridges recently appeared on the nationwide TV channel Sky News discussing why space is cool. On September 15-16 he will be giving two presentations to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ, UK.

Chris will cover the Nexus Android Smartphone amateur radio satellite STRaND-1 which will carry both a Resistojet and a Pulsed Plasma Thruster (PPT) module and STRaND-2 which will use Microsoft Xbox Kinect controller technology.

STRaND stands for Surrey Training, Research and Nanosatellite Demonstration and the programme is intended to be a long-term arrangement between the space company SSTL and academic researchers at the Surrey Space Centre (SSC), with STRaND-1 the first of a long line of STRaND nanosatellites.

The dual STRaND-2 cubesats will test a novel in-orbit docking system based upon XBOX Kinect technology that could change the way space assets are built, maintained and decommissioned. The identical twin STRaND-2 satellites will each be a 3 unit Cubesat. Components from the XBOX Kinect games controller to scan the local area and provide the satellites with spatial awareness on all three axes.

SSTL says on their web site, "The STRaND-2 twins will be separated after launch. After the initial phase of system checks, the two satellites will be commanded to perform the docking procedure and, when in close proximity, the Kinect-based docking system will provide the satellites with 3D spatial awareness to align and dock. Other applications for STRaND-2 include the safe removal of space debris and spacecraft maintenance, with a low cost "snap-on" nanosatellite providing backup power, propulsion or additional on-board computing capability."

SSTL Project Lead Shaun Kenyon says, "We were really impressed by what MIT had done flying an autonomous model helicopter that used Kinect and asked ourselves: Why has no-one used this in space? Once you can launch low cost nanosatellites that dock together, the possibilities are endless, like space building blocks."

Dr. Chris Bridges, Surrey Space Centre Project Lead says, "It may seem far-fetched, but our low cost nanosatellites could dock to build large and sophisticated modular structures such as space telescopes. Unlike today's big space missions, these could be re-configured as mission objectives change, and upgraded in-orbit with the latest available technologies."

The SSTL employees involved with the STRaND programme are volunteers. It is a condition of the programme that volunteers from SSTL and SSC use their own, free time for STRaND activities (such as lunches and breaks). The

project has no budget for staff so is entirely dependent on volunteers.

For further information see http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=9946

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

TAPR Digital Communications Conference in Atlanta September 21 - 23

The ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference is an international forum for radio amateurs to meet, publish their work, and present new ideas and techniques. Presenters and attendees will have the opportunity to exchange ideas and learn about recent hardware and software advances, theories, experimental results, and practical

applications.

Topics include, but are not limited to: Software Defined Radio, digital voice (D-Star, P25, WinDRM, FDMDV, G4GUO), digital satellite communications, Global Position System, precision timing, Automatic Position Reporting System, Digital Signal Processing, HF digital modes, spread spectrum,

This week TAPR published the schedules for the technical and introductory sessions. The DCC Saturday Night Banquet Speaker & Topic will be Bdale Garbee, KB0G talking about the "Sharing the Joy of Making"

The DCC Sunday Morning Seminar will be a hands-on tutorial using Gnuradio to design and implement software defined radios on your laptop presented by Tom Rondeau, KB3UKZ, the leader of the Gnuradio project.

All of the seminar information and registration can be accessed on TAPR's DCC page.

[ANS thanks ARRL and TAPR for the above information]

NASA Issues Request for Information - Nano Satellite Launch Challenge

On August 10, 2012 NASA published a Request for Information (RFI), titled, "Centennial Challenges Nano Satellite Launch Initiative". The full text of this RFI is available on the US General Services Administration web.

Centennial Challenges is a program of prize competitions to stimulate innovation in technologies of interest and value to NASA and the nation.

In 2010 NASA announced a Nano-Satellite Launch (NSL) Challenge to encourage development of safe, low-cost, small-payload delivery systems for frequent access to low Earth orbit (LEO) through innovations in propulsion and other technologies as well as operations and management for broader applications in future launch systems that could result in a commercial capability for dedicated launches of small satellites at a cost comparable to secondary payload launches. To assist in formulation of the Nano-Satellite Launch Challenge, NASA is seeking additional information on the nano-satellite market and on approaches to address the market needs.

There are currently several existing launch vehicles and new launch vehicle programs that could provide ride-sharing opportunities for nano-satellite.

This NASA Nano Satellite Launch Challenge focuses on:

Launch vehicle design dedicated to providing greater payload design flexibility for cubesats and other small payloads, more frequent access to space at costs comparable or less than existing or proposed ride-share launch options.Tradeoff designs for a payload market for a very low cost vehicle but with less orbital accuracy or lower reliability?How frequently should the vehicle launch?Initially the Challenge competition would be for one year and a $3M prize purse would be divided between all successful competitors.A second phase of the competition would require successful competitors to deliver payloads to LEO at least ten times within a one-year period using a launch system sized to deliver up to 10Kg to LEO.

A total prize purse of $6M would be offered for at least 10 successful payload deliveries to LEO orbit: 1st Place receiving $3M for most deliveries; 2nd place, $2M for next most deliveries; and 3rd place, $1M for next most deliveries.

Responses must be submitted in electronic form no later than September 10, 2012 to Dr. Larry Cooper, Centennial Challenges Program, NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20546-0001. E-mail address: larry.p.cooper at nasa.gov.

For general information on the NASA Centennial Challenges Program can be found here.

[ANS thanks NASA for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

The AMSAT News Service Bulletins are translated into French by Jean-Claude Aveni, TK5GH, and published on the AMSAT-Francophone web page.Check out the YouTube video showing the unveiling of the new ICOM IC-7100 HF/50/144/430 MHz transceiver at the Ham Fair 2012 in Tokyo.Korean artist Hojun Song traveled to Malmö in Sweden to give this keynote presentation about his innovative amateur radio CubeSat OSSI-1 to the Media Evolution Conference on August 23. OSSI-1 has a beacon in the 145 MHz band and a data communications transceiver in the 435 MHz band. It carries a 44 watt LED array to flash Morse Code messages to observers on Earth. Watch the video at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/9921 - and - http://www.uk.amsat.org/9600Enjoy Hubble's Hidden Treasures selected from an archive of more than 700,000 raw images. More than 3,000 submissions which include some of Hubble's incredible celestial treasures are revealed on-line.Danish photographer Hans Nyberg has an posted an interactive, scrollable panorama for Apollo 11.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

ARISS Status - 27 August 2012

1. Upcoming School Contacts

The Iruma Junior Ham Club in Iruma, Japan will participate in an ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) contact on Sunday, September 2 at 08:32 UTC. The club members recently received their amateur radio licenses and are learning about satellite orbits and space. They look forward to speaking with Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide on the ISS.

2. Students Make Connection with Akihiko Hoshide on ISS

Students from Institute for Education on Space, Wakayama University in Wakayama, Japan spoke with on-orbit Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI via an ARISS contact on Sunday, August 26. The contact highlighted science lessons about space, satellites and radio waves.

3. ARISS International Team Meeting Held

The monthly ARISS International Team meeting was held on Tuesday, August 21. The team discussed whether ARISS supporters should be recognized on the ARISS website and a status was given on the HamTV project and on the new Ericsson VHF radio which is scheduled to launch later this year. Minutes have been posted.

4. Astronaut Training Status

Gregory Wiseman, KF5LKT is scheduled for a basic operations training session in September. Wiseman is slated to fly with the Expedition 40 crew in May 2014.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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RFinder The World Wide Repeater Directory now supports Winlink RMS Nodes!

Posted: 01 Sep 2012 02:18 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?359908-RFinder--The-World-Wide-Repeater-Directory-now-supports-Winlink-RMS-Nodes!&goto=newpost

RFinder ☐ The World Wide Repeater Directory now supports Winlink RMS Nodes!

Saturday, September 1st, 2012

For immediate release

9/01/2012

From the shack of W2CYK

Winlink: We have been asked so many times we lost count to support Winlink. As of 1 September, 2012, we will have a weekly feed of Winlink Remote Mail Servers. They are designated (RMS) in the node Notes, but we are currently revamping our apps on Android, iPhone and web.rfinder.net to allow showing only individual node types (ie IRLP, RMS, Echolink, DStar, AllStar, etc.).

Bring a Friend to The World Wide Repeater Directory (WWRD) Promo still running for details click here

RFinder runs on iPhone/iPad/iPod and Android and http://web.rfinder.net.
The World Wide Repeater Directory is also accessible from RTSystems radio programmers and via CHIRP on Windows, Linux and Macintosh with the same user/password you use on handheld devices. Our goal is to have the WWRD accessible from most pervasive platforms. To that end Windows Phone and Symbian versions are in development and slated for release this fall. The web version has been tested and works on Blackberry. RFinder web has downloads for POI☐s for TPE and most major GPS☐s, including AvMap G5/G6, the GPS for Amateur Radio Operators.

Android Pad format is now in development, look for it in September!

RFinder data is constantly updated by frequency coordinators and users worldwide. Our data is dynamically loaded, which means its always up-to-date.

1673. eHam.net News for Monday 3 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-03 22:41:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93406ed72b4c304c8d3d817@google.com>
Source record: 2140
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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EMA Expands Approach to Emergency Preparedness:

Posted: 02 Sep 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28920

In an effort to enhance local emergency response capabilities, the Marshall County Emergency Management Agency is forming a new unit that will encompass and expand the current public safety communications network by taking advantage of new technology. Since 2003, the Marshall County Auxiliary Radio Service group, comprised of mainly amateur radio operators, has maintained the last line of communication in times of emergency. Since that time there's been a lot of change to public safety communications, and EMA has seen a decline in the amount of participation in the group. "As the old saying goes 'change is inevitable but growth is optional,'" said Anita McBurnett, director of the Marshall County EMA. "The face of communication has changed over the last five years. Amateur radio still has a place within public communications and assistance in emergency communications, but we also have other groups that want to become more involved." In response EMA is "closing the books" on the MCARS unit and forming the Marshall County Emergency Communications unit. The MCEC will combine three primary areas, including amateur radio, professional public safety communications and storm spotters. "Because when all other communication sources fail, amateur radio still works. We need to have that as a viable option for our backup communications," McBurnett said. "Another area is going to include dispatchers and other professionals who are wanting to learn more about emergency communications and how that fits into the big scheme of things.

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HamRadioNow 17: Young Ham of the Year:

Posted: 02 Sep 2012 03:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28919

Erin King AK4JG just turned 18, recently graduated from High School, and is headed to MIT for her freshman year.
And at the Huntsville Hamfest, she was awarded the honor of being selected as Newsline's Young Ham of the Year.
She is an impressive young woman, and we expect that she'll be an excellent spokesperson for Amateur Radio.

1674. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 3 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-04 02:25:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd8bff095ef04c8d6f9b5@google.com>
Source record: 2141
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day - Press-Register -
al.com (blog)

Posted: 03 Sep 2012 06:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFEhzAmAIBj7C7ybzcZIZNE-eoVMA&url=http:
//blog.al.com/pr-community-news/2012/09/ham_radio_club_alumni_reunite.html

Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day
Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Eight of the clubs 18 amateur radio operators (“hams”) gathered to test
their emergency communication readiness at an outlying area not normally
used for a ham radio station, where they set up portable equipment powered
by generators, batteries and ...

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Pemberton is 'Ham of the Year' - Prescott Daily Courier

Posted: 03 Sep 2012 09:12 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGxrbQqH2lbN8nCwnp4oyJMMsPMdw&url=http:
//www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID%3D102%26SubsectionID%3D161%26ArticleID%3D110358

Pemberton is Ham of the Year
Prescott Daily Courier
The Amateur Radio Council of Arizona, the statewide "ham radio" governing
organization, has selected Terry Pemberton, Granite Mountain Middle School
teacher, as its "Ham of the Year" for 2012. Presentation of the award was
made by the Yavapai Amateur ...

1675. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 4 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-04 11:10:41 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93410ddaa4b9904c8de4e87@google.com>
Source record: 2142
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Marcelino Canino Canino Middle School, Dorado, Puerto Rico

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w_ucEmOs_fQ/ariss_event_0409.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Marcelino Canino Canino Middle School, Dorado, Puerto Rico on 04 September

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VK students reach new heights

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9191h40-wvc/vk_students_reach_new_heights.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Coast FM in Mandurah, VK6, recently ran a competition that saw all the schools in the area campaign for the chance to do something very special

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Amateur radio helps track Hurricane Isaac

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S7E2xYDgShY/amateur_radio_helps_track_hurricane_isaac.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio first responders along the United States Gulf shore were ready when Hurricane Isaac slammed ashore on 28 and 29 August

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Broadcaster vacates 40m amateur band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eEVO-K5EGgQ/broadcaster_vacates_40m_amateur_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Bangladesh has left 7105kHz in the amateur 40m band. They finished the experimental transmissions and are now using 7250kHz

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CME Impact on Sept. 3rd

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sI86c6oyOVQ/cme_impact_on_sept_3.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As expected, a coronal mass ejection (CME) hit Earth's magnetic field on
Sept. 3rd at approximately 1200 UT (5 am PDT)

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G5RP Trophy nominations sought

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K3sY3Glv35o/g5rp_trophy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The G5RP Trophy is an annual award for the greatest progress in the DX
field made by an RSGB member resident in the UK during the previous 12
months. The award is intended to encourage newcomers to the world of HF
DXing

1676. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 4 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-04 16:23:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340b3996b61204c8e2addc@google.com>
Source record: 2143
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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RU0ZM/P UA0ZC/P RA0ZJ/P UA0ZAM/P Starichkov Island

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 01:31 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360232-RU0ZM-P-UA0ZC-P-RA0ZJ-P-UA0ZAM-P-Starichkov-Island&goto=newpost

RU0ZM , UA0ZC , RA0ZJ , UA0ZAM will be active from Starichkov Island (IOTA AS-095) 8-14 September 2012 as RU0ZM/P , UA0ZC/P , RA0ZJ/P , UA0ZAM/P

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ichkov-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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2O12L Final Week

Posted: 03 Sep 2012 01:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360160-2O12L-Final-Week&goto=newpost

Many Thanks for the great support everyone who has worked our station has shown so far. We are now in our last week of operation and will finish at the end of the closing ceremony of the Para Olympics on Sunday the 9th September.

So this is your last week to work us.

73

Rich

G7GLW

2O12L Team

1677. [RAC-Bulletin] Information - Leslie - 2012-09-04 16:02:14 UTC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-04 18:10:49 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <504643FE.5020408@rac.ca>
Source record: 2144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

>Date: Tue, 4 Sep 2012 16:05:01 +0000
>From: Canadian Hurricane Centre
To: chc-ccpo-en
>Subject: Information - Leslie - 2012-09-04 16:02:14 UTC

WOCN31 CWHX 041745
TROPICAL CYCLONE INFORMATION STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE CANADIAN
HURRICANE CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA AT 1:01 PM ADT TUESDAY
4 SEPTEMBER 2012.

TROPICAL CYCLONE INFORMATION STATEMENT FOR:
=NEW= ATLANTIC PROVINCES.

FOR TROPICAL STORM LESLIE.

THE NEXT STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED BY 3:00 PM ADT WEDNESDAY.

EARLY DISCUSSION REGARDING TROPICAL STORM LESLIE AND POSSIBLE
INFLUENCE IN EASTERN CANADA.

==DISCUSSION==
THE CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE WILL BE MONITORING THE DEVELOPMENT OF
TROPICAL STORM LESLIE THIS WEEK. THE STORM IS EXPECTED TO MOVE VERY
SLOWLY AND INTENSIFY GRADUALLY OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS.
COMPUTER MODELS ARE PREDICTING LESLIE TO ONLY TRAVEL 500 KILOMETRES
IN 4 DAYS WHICH IS BASICALLY A PERSON'S AVERAGE SPEED OF WALKING.
WITH SUCH A SLOW SPEED OF TRAVEL AND THE FACT THAT THE STORM IS STILL
IN ITS ORGANIZING STAGE, THERE IS MUCH (MORE THAN USUAL) UNCERTAINTY
IN THE PREDICTED PATH/INTENSITY OVER THE NEXT WEEK.

COMPUTER MODELS INDICATE THAT LESLIE COULD EVENTUALLY PUSH THROUGH
THE LARGE 'BERMUDA HIGH' AND ACELLERATE TOWARD EASTERN CANADA WITH A
RANGE OF TRACK SCENARIOS FROM MAINE TO OFFSHORE NEWFOUNDLAND.
THE MIDDLE OF THESE TRACK FORECASTS IS OVER NEWFOUNDLAND - BUT EVEN
THAT 'AVERAGE' WILL LIKELY SHIFT BY HUNDREDS OF KILOMETERS OVER TIME
WITH EACH NEW RUN OF SIMULATIONS. IF LESLIE MAKES IT TO EASTERN
CANADA, IT WOULD NOT LIKELY DO SO UNTIL EARLY NEXT WEEK.

WE WILL UPDATE THIS BULLETIN THROUGHOUT THE WEEK IF LESLIE CONTINUES
TO DEVELOP AND WILL PROVIDE INTERPRETATION OF THE POSSIBLE SCENARIOS
AND DEGREE OF PREDICTABILITY.

VISIT WWW.WEATHEROFFICE.GC.CA/HURRICANE/TRACK_E.HTML (ALL IN LOWER
CASE) FOR THE LATEST HURRICANE TRACK MAP.

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http://www.atl.ec.gc.ca/weather/hurricane/subscription_join_e.html

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Ham Radio Club Alumni Reunite for Annual Field Day:

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MOBILE, Alabama -- The Silver Panthers Alumni Radio Club, whose members are Murphy High School graduates, held their annual field day at Camp Grace this summer on a date which coincided with the class of 1958's 54th reunion. Eight of the club's 18 amateur radio operators ("hams") gathered to test their emergency communication readiness at an outlying area not normally used for a ham radio station, where they set up portable equipment powered by generators, batteries and sometimes even solar power. "My favorite part of this year's field day was operating a radio totally solar powered," said SPARCS member Terry Young. "This technology was never dreamed of in the 1950s. We've come a long way." "The SPARCS club has let me enjoy the ham radio camaraderie I have known since high school and helped me keep in touch with old friends," said David Goldberg, who has been operating a ham radio for 59 years. "I really enjoy meeting and communicating with people from all over the world."

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Elliot N. Sivowitch, Radio, Television Historian, K3RJA (SK):

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Elliot N. Sivowitch, 80, a scholar of television and radio history who worked at the Smithsonian Institution for four decades, died July 20 of cardiac arrest at Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring. A former colleague, Melinda Machado, confirmed the death. Mr. Sivowitch joined the Smithsonian in 1959, then worked for a year at the Library of Congress before returning to the Smithsonian. He spent nearly his entire career in the electricity collection of the National Museum of American History and its predecessor, the Museum of History and Technology. He helped develop exhibitions including "Information Age," "Person to Person" and "Transistors at Fifty." He was an amateur radio operator and was instrumental in establishing the Smithsonian's old ham radio station, Machado said.

1679. HOT HOT HOT VIDEOS AND COLLEGE GIRLS SEXY PHOTOS

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Date: 2012-09-05 01:49:43 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
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1680. [DXNL] DXNL 1796 (Sep 5, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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8Q, MALDIVES, AS-013
Hamed,8Q7HA, was active in SSB on 17m around 1700 UTC. QSL via 9K2HS.

9A, CROATIA
Jan,9A/PA4JJ, from Pores is working in holiday style in his favourite
modes RTTY and PSK31 until Sep 12.
QSL via homecall, OQRS: http://www.pa4jj.nl

9J, ZAMBIA
Shinichi,JA7SGV, is QRV as 9J2JA from Zambia but the length of his
stay is not known. He has been spotted in CW on 30m, 20m, 17m and 15m.
QSL via homecall.

E6, NIUE, OC-040
Lance,W7GJ, and Bob,ZL1RS, are planning an EME DXpedition as E6M and
E6RS to Niue (OC-040, WLOTA 2139, Loc AH51ba) from Sep 7-21.
Sep ausgesucht. Lance will focus on 6m EME (50.190 MHz) and Bob on 2m
but they may show up from other bands as well.
See also: http://www.qsl.net/zl1rs/zk2.html and
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
QSL E6M via W7GJ, QSL E6RS via ZL1RS; both only direct or LoTW.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Churches and Chapels on the Air (CHOTA) on Sep 8 is a good oppor-

tunity to introduce amateur radio and also the World Association of
Christian Radio Amateurs and Listeners (WACRAL). CHOTA is organised by
WACRAL member John,G3XYF.
A list of stations can be found at: http://www.wacral.org/CHOTA.htm
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GB2HST (the suffix stands for High Stoy Telegraph) is a special event
station in Minterne Magna, Dorset from Sep 9-14. QSL via M0XIG.

Gary,M0NNH, and Chris,M0DOL, are using the special callsign GB2012LP
during the Paralympics in London until Sep 9.

ISWL members will activate following special event stations during the
Paralympic Games in September:
Sep 1-7:
GO4BJC/a from Great Sutton in Cheshire by Geof,M0BAU (ISWL G-20665),
WAB SJ37, EU-005, WLOTA 1841
MO1SWL/a from Dagenham in Essex by John,M0HEM (ISWL G-20579) WAB TQ48,
EU-005, WLOTA 1841
Sep 8-9:
GO4BJC from Broad Oak in East Sussex by Arthur,G0KOC (ISWL G-20358),
WAB TQ62, EU-005, WLOTA 1841
MO1SWL/a from Walton on the Naze in Essex by Herbie,G6XOU (ISWL
G-20006), WAB TM22, EU-005, WLOTA 1841
Sep 10-30:
G4BJC tba.
MX1SWL/a from Hartford in Cambridgeshire by Tom,G3RPV (ISWL G-7964),
WAB TL27, EU-005, WLOTA 1841
All QSLs via G6XOU, eQSL. See also: http://www.iswl.org.uk

HA, HUNGARY
Members of the Puskas Tivadar Radio Aamateur Club (HA5KHC) is QRV as
HG1912PTTT from Budapest until Sep 30 celebrating the 100th anniversary
of the "Puskas Tivadar" Telecommunications Technical High School.
Activities will take place in CW, SSB and digital modes on all HF bands
QSL via HA5AUC. See also: http://www.ha5khc.hu

J2, DJIBOUTI
Christian,F5MBF, has been in Djibouti since July and finally received
his callsign J28NC. He will stay there for at least two years and is
working mainly in CW with some SSB on 80m-10m using a vertical.
The QSL route has not been announced yet, the cluster says via F5MBF.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS, OC-086
Mike,JA6EGL, and Yu,JE6DND, will be active in CW and SSB on 30m-10m
signing KK6WW/KH0 and KH0R from Saipan (OC-086) from Sep 6-9.
QSLs via homecalls, unfortunately only direct.

Kuroi,JH0MGJ/AL5A, will be QRV as AL5A/AH0 from Saipan as well and
wants to listen for his friends in Europe from Sep 7-9.
QSL via JA7JEC, LoTW.

ON, BELGIUM
The Groupement De Verviers (GDV) will activate the special callsign
ON4USA in SSB and PSK on 40m/20m/15m/10m/6m on Sep 8/9 for the
68th anniversary of the liberation of Verviers by US GI's.
QSL via ON4GDV.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
Fred,PA0FAW, will be QRV as PC12WSF in CW, SSB and digital modes
from the "World Statues Festival" in Arnheim until Sep 30.

Fred is DIG 1487, ISWL PA-11092, WAB-11722. QSL via homecall.

UA1, EUROPEAN RUSSIA
The special event station R1150I is active from Sep 2-9 celebrating
the 1150th anniversary of the Izborsk Fortress. QSLs will be sent
via bureau automatically, eQSLs are available as well.

Several stations will be using the suffix SRR from Sep 4-13 celebrating
the 10th anniversary of IARU membership of the Soyuz Radiolyubitelej
Rossii (SRR). QSL routes will be announced in the QSO.

V7, MARSHALl ISLANDS, OC-028
Rick,WH0AI (ex T32AI), is working from Kwajalein Island (OC-028) from
the Kwajalein Amateur Radio clubstation and using the club call V73AX.
He has been heard in CW and SSB on 20m, 15m and 10m. Rich has applied
for the call V73AI. He also plans to be active in the upcoming contests
QSL via WH0AI, unfortunately only direct (QRZ.com) with "green stamps".

W, USA
Members of the Symbol Technologies Amateur Radio Club (STARC) will be
QRV as N1Y in CW and SSB on 40m/20m/15m on Sep 8/9 commemorating
Sep 11, 2001. QSL via W2SBL.

The special event station N3U/Flt93 (N3U/United Flight 93) remembers
the terrorist attack on this flight from Sep 8-13. QSL via W3PN.

Wayne,AB8DD, plans to activate Kiser Lake State Park in Champaign
County/Ohio mainly in SSB and CW on all bands during the "Ohio State
Parks On The Air" (OSPOTA) event on Sep 9.

The Milford Ohio Amateur Radio Club (MARC) is using the call W8MRC from
The East Fork State Park in Clermont County during the same event.
They will three stations in SSB on 80m-10m. See: http://www.w8mrc.com
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Andy,N8OFS (SMIRK #6737), will be QRV as N8OFS/p from "Big Caboose"
during the "QCWA Fall QSO Party" on Sep 7 and during the
"ARRL September VHF QSO Party" on Sep 8/9.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Martin,DL3ASM, is based in Mazar-i-Sharif until the end of November.
He is an officer in the German Army and maintains the radios. His call
is T6SM and his equipment includes a TS590, TS870, IC7000, a TL922 plus
a W3DZZ (12m high), a FB 33 yagi, a TripleLeg for the WARC bands and
verticals for 2m/70cm. QSL via homecall.

PACIFIC TRIP: John,N7CQQ, and Ron,N6XT, will be "in the Samoa area" until
the end of September. They plan to become active from Samoa (5W),
hopefully from Tokelau (ZK3) and maybe also American Samoa (KH8).
QSLs via homecalls.

DXCC: The XU1A DXpedition of 1998 has been approved for DXCC credit after
reviewing new information. If you have had QSLs rejected please send
an e-mail to bmoore@arrl.org to be placed on the list for update.
If you remember the submission in which you included the QSL please
note this to expedite the search for the rejected QSO.

SURVEY: A survey about the Most Wanted DXCCs is online until Oct 15:
http://www.dxpub.net

SILENT KEYS: Fr. Lars Rooth, SJ (SM1BOE), passed away on July 21, aged 90.
He was responsible for the Scandinavian department of Vatican Radio
OP at HV3SJ.
Cris Henderson,GM4FAM, passed away at the age of 57 on Aug 23. He was
one of the zop CW DXers in the UK.
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could
get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 8 Kulikovo Polye Contest (see: http://www.kpctest.ru)
Sep 8/9 WAE DX Contest
Sep 8/9 IARU Region 1 ATV Contest
Sep 9 North American Sprint
The HTC QRP Sprint 2012 has been cancelled!

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-049, 3B8, Mauritius Island: After visiting South Africa Alex,IW5ELA, and
Michaela now plan to stop at Mauritius (WLOTA 0595) next. He will work
in holiday style as 3B/IW5ELA from Sep 6-12. Alex is working mostly in
CW using his FT-857 and vertical. QSL via IW5ELA (bureau/direct).

AS-042, R0B, Severnaya Zemlya: Vladimir,RV3EFH/0, will be QRV again from
Bolshevik Island (RRA RR-07-03, RDA KK-65, Loc OQ28dh) in September.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-004, EA6, Balearic Islands: Alessandro,IZ4WNA, and Giuliano,IZ4WNP,
will show up as EA6/homecalls from Ibiza (DIE E-023, MIA MB-003,
WLOTA 0958) from Sep 7-10. They also plan to visit other islands.
Activities will take place on these bands: 80m SSB, 40m SSB,
20m PSK63/SSB, 15m PSK63/SSB, 10m PSK63/SSB. QSLs via IZ4WNA.
Their website is: http://www.iz4wna.com

EU-015, SV9, Crete Island: Silvia,SV9/EA1AP, and Alberto,SV9/EA1SA, will be
active from Crete (GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) in SSB, CW
and RTTY on 80m-6m from Sep 9-15. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-031, I*8, Campania Region group: Hubert,OE3FHA, and Sal,IC8SQS, will be QRV as IC8/OE3FHA from Ischia (IIA NA-001, MIA MI-042, WAIS EL44, WLOTA 0689, LOC JN60) from Sep 6-22. They will work only in SSB on the HF bands and maybe also 6m. QSL only via bureau to OE3FHA.

EU-043, SM6, Goteborg och Bohus/Halland County group: Stephan,SM5YRA, plans an activation of the lighthouse Halloe (ARLHS SWE173, Loc JO58oh, SMFF-0465, LH C0375) as SB6HL in SSB and digital modes on 80m-6m from Sep 8-15. QSL via SM5YRA (bureau/direct).

EU-052, SV, Ipeiros/Dytiki Elaas Region group: Dirk,SV8/ON5CT/p, is going to visit Corfu (GIOTA INS-042, MIA MG-055, WLOTA 4132, Loc JM99) from Sep 4-18 and will be QRV mainly in RTTY and SSB on 20m-6m. QSL only via LoTW or eQSL. No paper QSLs.

EU-088, OZ, Kattegat group: Bernd,DL8AAV, will sign OZ0AV from the island of Laeso (DIA NK-003, WLOTA 2820) from Sep 10-22. QSL via DL8AAV.

EU-138, SM7, Blekinge County group: Fred/SM7DAY/p will show up again from Senoren Island. He will work in SSB/CW on the HF bands from Sep 8-14. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

EU-165, I*0, Sardinia's Coastal Islands: Riccardo,IZ5JMX, spends his holiday on San Pietro island from Sep 2-14. Listen for IM0/IZ5JMX in SSB on 40m-10m. QSL via IZ5JMX (bureau/direct).

OC-233, VK7, Tasmania's Coastal Islands: Scott,VK7HVK/p, wants to hand out a few IOTA points from Bruny Island (WLOTA 1829, Loc QE36PQ) if his antenna can be repaired. QSL via homecall (d).

Non IOTA: John,VE3ISE, and Doug,VE3GJ, plan to activate the Canadian island Byng (ON-037) on Sep 8. They will use two stations: VE3ISE with 100 W starting around noon local time on 40m/20m and VE3GJ with QRP on 20m. QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

OEFF/IFF: Fred,DL8DXL, is underway in IN3 and OE during the next two weeks and wants to activate several WFFs and SOTAs. QSL via homecall.

Lighthouse activities

AL5A/KH0 LH 1333 Sep 7-9
CR3L LH 0053 Sep 8-9
E6M LH 2139 Sep 7-21
E6RS LH 2139 Sep 7-21
GB1SKC LH 1841 Sep 8
KH0R LH 1333 Sep 6-9
KK6W/KH0 LH 1333 Sep 6-9
ZK2GJ LH 2139 Sep 9-21
ZK3RS LH 2139 Sep 9-21

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

-09Sep 2O12L 1790
21Jul-09Sep 2O12W 1789
28Aug-12Sep 3B8/IW5ELA.. 1794/1796 *
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
Sep 5B/G3RWF 1795
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-3Nov 8J2YDU 1794
-21Oct 8J4HAM 1794
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-16Sep 8J8APRC 1794
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
unknown 8Q7HA 1796 *
02Sep-14Sep 8Q7OE 1795
unknown 9G5ZS 1795
-12Sep 9A/PA4JJ 1796 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
07Sep-09Sep AL5A/AH0 1796 *
03Sep-10Sep C21BN 1795
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
unknown CG3B 1786
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
04Sep-11Sep CR3L.. 1795
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-Aug/13 D2FJZ 1794
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756

-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791

-15Sep E51AND 1795
unknown E51MGA 1786
07Sep-21Sep E6M.. 1796 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
07Sep-10Sep EA6/IZ4WNA 1796 *
07Sep-10Sep EA6/IZ4WNP 1796 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
01Sep-14Sep F/ON5GQ 1795
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
02Sep-10Sep FR/DF8AN 1795
-09Sep GB2012LP 1796 *
-09Sep GB2012OLY 1792
-09Sep GB2012MV 1790
-09Sep GB2012OSP 1791
09Sep-14Sep GB2HST 1796 *
-10Sep GB4GBO 1790
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Sep GO4BJC/A.. 1796 *

-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
-30Sep HG1912PTTT 1796 *
-31Dec HG20CRT 1795
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
unknown HT9H 1792
06Sep-22Sep IC8/OE3FHA 1796 *
-Dec ID9DXC.. 1755
02Sep-08Sep II0FIST 1795
01Sep-20Sep II3PAN 1795
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
02Sep-14Sep IM0/IZ5JMX 1795/1796 *
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796 *
unknown JA7SGV 1796 *
-Nov JW2US 1791
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
06Sep-09Sep KK6WW/KH0.. 1796 *
23Aug-12Sep KL7/K8GU 1794
23Aug-12Sep KL7/KJ4OAP 1794
23Aug-12Sep KL7/W2NAF 1794

-31Dec LX75RL 1788
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770

-31Dec LZ40YE 1795
05Sep-19Sep NH8S 1795
08Sep-09Sep N1Y 1796 *
08Sep-13Sep N3U/Flt93 1796 *
07Sep-09Sep N8OFS/p 1796 *
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Jul +Sep OE2XXM.. 1786/1795
-Apr/17 OG3077F 1789
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
-31Dec ON20OSA 1795
08Sep/09Sep ON4USA 1796 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
unknown OX3LX 1790
10Sep-22Sep OZ0AV 1796 *

01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
-30Sep PC12WSF 1796 *
-30Sep R1000M 1794
-9Sep R1150I 1796 *
01Sept-30Nov R15GGGR.. 1795
Aug R1812SM 1791
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
-Jan/13 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep/12 RI1FJA 1741
-Sep/12 RI1FJM 1741
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
08Sep-15Sep SB6HL 1796 *
08Sep-14Sep SM7DAY/p 1796 *
-2Oct SN63DNI 1792
15Aug-8Sep SN17EGS 1793
01Aug-02Oct SN7PW 1791
04Sep-18Sep SV8/ON5CT/p 1796 *
09Sep-15Sep SV9/EA1AP 1796 *
09Sep-15Sep SV9/EA1SA 1796 *
Sep SW9XB 1795

-Feb/13 T6LG 1795
-Nov T6SM 1786*
-30Sep T6SS 1790
-Sep T6TJ.. 1789
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786/1793
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
unknown TR8CA 1795
unknown TX0HF 1789
-16Sep V5/DF2UU.. 1795
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752

09Sep-14Sep VK7HVK/p 1796 *
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
18Aug-31Sep ZD9KN 1794/1795
unknown ZD9KX 1795
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B/IW5ELA via IW5ELA (B)
4L1MA via ON4RU (B)
5Q4B via OZ5EV (d)
8P/J88CG via J88CG
8Q7HA via 9K2HS (B)
9A/DJ5MJ via DJ5MJ
9A/PA4JJ via PA4JJ (B), OQRS
9H3KB via DL5NUA (B)
9J2JA via JA7SGV
9M2DVR via JF3DVR
A61BK (d), (*)
AL5A/AH0 via JA7JEC (B), (L)
CO6LC via EA5GL (D)
CO8LY via EA7ADH (d)
CX2BR via EA5GL (d)
DL0CF/p (B)
E27EK/p via E27EK
E6M via W7GJ (d), (L)
E6RS via ZL1RS (d), (L)
EA6/IZ4WNA via IZ4WNA (B)
EA6/IZ4WNP via IZ4WNA (B)
EG2SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EG5VCE via EA7HBC
EG6SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EM4IFF via US5IQ
G4BJC via G6XOU, eQSL
G8T via G4SHF (B)
GB0BRE via MW0GMH
GB0DRI via G0LYZ
GB0LOW via G3XYF
GB0SMW via G0ORO
GB1LIM via G1EFU
GB1MSN via G8HKP
GB1SKC via G3UYN
GB1SOC via G1VAB
GB2012LP (B)
GB2ANG via G7UUR
GB2BOH via M0JAV
GB2HST via M0XIG

GB2SPW via G3NQX
GB4SJH via G4SMB
GB4STG via M0HOW
GB5BPC via M1ECF
GB6GMC via 2E0AIV
GB6SMD via G6JVT
GO4BJC via G6XOU, eQSL
GO4BJC/A via G6XOU, eQSL
GX0ROC via G0ROC
GX0WKQ via M1FNE
HB9WFF/p via HB9FBI
HC2SL via HD2A
HF50ZST via SP3POW
HG1912PTTT via HA5AUC (B)
HL2/KA8U via JS1KQQ
HS0ZKS via K7BV (B)
HZ1DS via DJ9ZB (B)
IC8/OE3FHA via OE3FHA (B)
IM0/IZ5JMX via IZ5JMX (B)
J28NC via F5MBF (B)
J28UC via F5RQQ (d)
KHR via JE6DND (d)
KH0XH via JE1XUZ
KHXW via JQ2WTT
KK6WW/KH0 via JA6EGL (d)
MO1SWL/A via G6XOU, eQSL
MX1SWL/A via G6XOU, eQSL
NH7O via EA5GL (d)
N1Y via W2SBL (B)
N3U/Flt93 via W3PN (B)
N8OFS/p via N8OFS (d), eQSL
OE/HA3HK/p via HA3HK
OH7KA via OH3KAV (B)
OJ0KA via OH3KAV (B)
ON4USA via ON4GDV (B)
OZ/DL6LZM via DL6LZM (B)
OZ0AV via DL8AAV (bureau/direct)
PC12WSF via PA0FAW (B), eQSL
R1150I sends QSLs automatically, eQSL
S555E via S50E
SB6HL via SM5YRA (B)
SM7DAY/p via SM7DAY (B)
SN0LED via SP3OL
SP2IU/p via SP2IU (B)
SV5/DL7YS/p via DL7YS
SV8/IK0BZY via IK0BZY
SV8/ON5CT/p via ON5CT (L)
SV9/DJ3MY/P via DJ3MY
SV9/EA1AP via EA1AP (B)
SV9/EA1SA via EA1SA (B)

SZ1SV via SV1SV
T6SM via DL3ASM (B)
TF4X via G3SWH (B)
UE40MD via UA4LU (B)
UK8GBL via RW6HS (d)
V44KAI via W5TFW
V63PR via JJ8DEN (B)
VI4WIP50 via VK4WIP
VK7HVK/p via VK7HVK (B)
YP3A via YO3ND
YP5A via YO5KUC
YV1FPT via EA5GL (d)
YV5KAJ via EA5KB (B)
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(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
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QSLs arrived direct: 9Y4D, J52HF (I3LDP), JD1BMH (JG7PSJ), XX9E (EB7DX)

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8J1RL, 9M8YY (JR3WXA), BV100 (BV2KI), E51NOU (N7OU),
HI3/W1JNZ, HO1X (DJ2ST), HS0ZBS, HS0ZFA (DJ4ER),
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PJ5/DL7VOG, PZ5M (AJ9C), RI1ANC (RN1ON), S21B (KX7YT),
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V31TF (DG7RO), V48M (W2OX), V5/DJ2HD), VP2E/W1UE,
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1681. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 4 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-05 02:38:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5186cb4ab86bf04c8eb4345@google.com>
Source record: 2148
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Club goes to work with BSM Triathlon - The Union of Grass Valley

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 11:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFWB9wvNuMHb4rzkEUPl0cRX8-Qmg&url=http://www.theunion.com/article/20120903/COMMUNITY/120909949/1058%26parentprofile%3D-1

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Posted: 04 Sep 2012 05:16 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFFMJsRC6ncEipiKFuOVWA2Njz53Q&url=http://www.courant.com/community/hcrs-64840hc-statewide-20120829,0,1431464.story

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Spring Mill Hosts Amateur Radio's "Indiana Parks On The Air" - WBIW.com

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 03:11 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFtQfTE1DSkARDpBk7nY8OslYdMtg&url=http://www.wbiw.com/local/archives/2012/09/spring_mill_hosts_amateur_radi.php

Spring Mill Hosts Amateur Radios "Indiana Parks On The Air"
WBIW.com
Amateur radio (aka HAM radio) operators will be broadcasting from the park and communicating with operators in Indiana and other states and even in

foreign countries. Several operators will be available to explain amateur radio to visitors. The ...

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Car key mystery - Wyoming Tribune

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 05:26 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG5KxRt1qWuh4V0TsIJsB3w0Pb3Cg&url=http://www.wyomingnews.com/articles/2012/09/04/news/01top_09-04-12.txt

Car key mystery
Wyoming Tribune
In response, one local ham operator decided to take on radio expert David Maxsons suggestion that someone try to find the source of a possible rogue radio transmitter. The man, who has asked not to be identified, said he drove out to the parking lot ...

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Amateur radio helps track Hurricane Isaac - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 12:30 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJ9tY8yDqh7nW1zTbvzdvaWi3Scg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/amateur_radio_helps_track_hurricane_isaac.htm

Amateur radio helps track Hurricane Isaac
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur radio first responders along the United States Gulf shore were ready when Hurricane Isaac slammed ashore on 28 and 29 August. Members of the Hurricane Watch Net took to the air to track its approach and, although band conditions on 20 and 40m ...

and more

1682. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 5 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-05 06:39:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93b5d84eae21204c8eea2ff@google.com>
Source record: 2149
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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USECA Swap (SE MI) Oct 7th... NEW DATE!! NEW LARGER LOCATION!!

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 09:52 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360263-USECA-Swap-(SE-MI)-Oct-7th-NEW-DATE!!-NEW-LARGER-LOCATION!!&goto=newpost

We've moved!!! USECA's annual swap has historically been near the end of October. We've been looking for some time for a new venue with more room for our vendors more parking, and more accomodating to our needs and we've found it.. You'll love the layout.. more space, better floor traffic patterns, & much larger parking lot.

Come to one of the largest Ham Swaps in Michigan..

Reserve your table(s) now! Make plans to attend!

Full Swap info in povided on our Club website... http://usecaarc.com/

Easy access off I-75...
http://maps.google.com/maps?q=876+ho...48071&t=m&z=14

1683. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 5 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-05 11:05:23 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340fef8df9f004c8f25989@google.com>
Source record: 2150
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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ISS CubeSats to deploy September 10

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PDoiXBdWOz0/iss_cubesats_to_deploy_september_10.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Masahiro Arai JN1GKZ reports that JAXA have announced that five CubeSat
will be deployed from the International Space Station (ISS) on Monday,
September 10

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Bob Cox, K3EST, retires as CQWW Contest Director

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/IZ3qLf-lsm8/bob_cox_k3est_retires_as_cqww_contest_director.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob Cox, K3EST, has retired as Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest and
as CQ's Director of Contesting, it was announced today by CQ Publisher Dick
Ross, K2MGA

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EU Commission: Sharing the radio spectrum

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/00OJ4JQiYrw/eu_commission_sharing_the_radio_spectrum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The European Commission today unveiled plans to deal with the exponential
growth in mobile and wireless data traffic by enabling wireless
technologies, including broadband, to share the use of the radio spectrum

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ARISS contact planned with school in Michelstadt, Germany - Downlink
audible over Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/c3gfQ83qPko/ariss_event_0709.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday September 7, 2012 at 08.52 UTC, which is 10.52 CEST, an ARISS
contact is planned with Gymnasium Michelstadt, Michelstadt, Germany

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APRS Electric Vehicles and Water Buoys

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Nch2cz-eVCM/aprs_electric_vehicles_and_water_buoys.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) is used to track things as diverse as an Electric Vehicle KT5TK-9 and a water buoy near Seattle KT5TK-8

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Churches and Chapels on the Air

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KFJBl3qJouQ/churches_and_chapels_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Churches and Chapels on the Air (CHOTA) on September 8 is a good opportunity to introduce amateur radio and also the World Association of Christian Radio Amateurs and Listeners (WACRAL)

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DRM on show at IBC in Amsterdam

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jLIrnsMvG3Q/drm_on_show_at_ibc_in_amsterdam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The DRM Consortium will focus on the efficiency aspects of DRM at the International Broadcasting Convention (IBC), being held in Amsterdam from 6-11 September, 2012

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ObfSIK0Q2p8/september_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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25 kHz UHF Citizen Band Radio equipment in NZ

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6N2vuNW_sqM/25_khz_uhf_citizen_band_radio_equipment_in_nz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

25 kHz UHF CB radio equipment is to be prohibited from sale in New Zealand if it is manufactured or imported after 1 December 2012

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Amateur Radio awareness programme

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JlzDVZUaVf4/amateur_radio_awareness_programme.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio awareness programme was conducted at Ranganathan polytechnic college, Coimbatore, India on September 3, 2012

1684. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 5 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-05 16:39:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3033462f7152bd04c8f703d5@google.com>
Source record: 2051
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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K5Z Special Event Station Celebrating the 88th Burning of Zozobra

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 09:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360339-K5Z-Special-Event-Station-Celebrating-the-88th-Burning-of-Zozobra&goto=newpost

see QRZ.com K5Z

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Route 66 on the air special event

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 02:50 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360312-Route-66-on-the-air-special-event&goto=newpost

The 13th annual Route 66 On The Air Special Event is coming September 8-16, 2012 . This is one of the years best event and this year we will have 17 stations along with 3 rovers. For further information please visit the event's official website at www.w6jbt.org and click the Route 66 On The Air link. It will show you how to order a certificate and/or, decal along with QSL information.

Below is a list of the participating clubs:

W6A Santa Monica, CA

W6B Los Angeles, CA

W6C San Bernardino, CA

W6D Victorville, CA

W6E Barstow, CA

W6F Kingman, AZ (additional rover station)

W6G Flagstaff, AZ

W6H Albuquerque, NM

W6I Amarillo, TX

W6J Elk City, OK

W6K Oklahoma City, OK

W6L Tulsa, OK

W6M Riverton, KS

W6N Joplin, MO

W6O Lebanon, KS

W6P St. Louis, MO

W6Q Chicago, IL

W6S ROVER 1 (Arizona)

W6T ROVER 2

Hope to hear you on the air...when you get your "KICKS ON ROUTE 66"

Jeff Richardson, W6JJR

Coordinator, Route 66 On The Air

Hosted by: Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club

San Bernardino, CA

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3D2ZY Viti Levu Island

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 02:43 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360310-3D2ZY-Viti-Levu-Island&goto=newpost

PY7ZY will be active Viti Levu Island (IOTA OC-016) , Fiji 11-15 October 2012 as 3D2ZY

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en..._fiji-islands/

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Dxers taking a new course in azores, september 28-30, 2012

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 01:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360289-Dxers-taking-a-new-course-in-azores-september-28-30-2012&goto=newpost

PRESS RELEASE

September 5, 2012

DXERS TAKING A NEW COURSE IN AZORES, SEPTEMBER 28-30, 2012

NEW WEBSITE GOES LIVE http://azores-islands-hunt.com/

It is often said that DXers only work DX. More recently, we have seen a healthy shift toward assisting the society they visit by helping locals become stronger in Amateur Radio. Something totally new is now happening in the CU-land □ the Azores.

In recent years, the Azores Islands have balanced their agriculture and livestock sectors through increased awareness of their great location and unique landscape facilitated by the development of the local infrastructure to receive more visitors from industrialized countries. Significant progress has been made in expanding tourism facilities, convention hotels and holiday resorts. The Azores are now capable of accommodating 10,500 visitors per day. Additionally, the Azorean airline (SATA) is set to serve many European destinations in addition to the US and Canada.

Radio amateurs are now stepping forward to help the Azoreans increase public awareness of all their nine islands, all within reach of SATA airline service. Forming nine country teams with the locals, a total of twenty DXers will fly in from SATA destinations to be on the air from the nine islands as part of the ☐Azores Nine Islands Hunt☐ - a unique concept to bring everyone on board globally to share what the Azores can offer. Those participating are:

K2DO, KI1U, KE3Q, N2GA, VE3DZ, VE3FWA, DJ9ZB, DF9TF, G3TXF, G7VJR, OH2BH, OH8NC, OH9MDV LB3HC, ON7LX ON7TK, ON5NT, OZ7AM and OZ1IKY together with locals: CU1AAD, CU2BV, CU2CE, CU2DX, CU3CS, CU4AB, CU5AM, CU6AB, CU7CA,CU8AAE and CU9AC

The Amateur Radio group is also set to streamline emergency communications procedures throughout the archipelago. Together with the local amateur population and administrators, they will be using this activity to test the island-to-island amateur radio network. The ARRL is sending their best resources, lending their expertise in this field.

The project website was launched today at http://azores-islands-hunt.com/ for your review while you can also study the Azores at http://www.visitazores.com/en

1685. eHam.net News for Wednesday 5 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-05 22:27:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011da1540559b04c8fbdf4c@google.com>
Source record: 2052
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eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Club Goes to Work with BSM Triathlon:

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28927

The Nevada County Amateur Radio Club has accepted an invitation from the Sept. 16 Barbara Schmidt Millar Celebration of Life Triathlon to provide event communications. For the second year, Nevada County Amateur Radio Club will establish a network of radio communications for the primary function of course safety. Seven licensed amateur radio volunteers will be strategically stationed around the triathlon course with the ability to access course officials and first aid assistance.

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Spring Mill Hosts Amateur Radio's 'Indiana Parks On The Air':

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 05:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28926

(MITCHELL) - Spring Mill State Park will host "Indiana Parks on the Air," an amateur radio event on Sept. 8, from noon to 8 p.m. Licensed operators from the Daviess County Amateur Radio Club will be in the parking lot outside the Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom Memorial, near the main gate. Amateur radio (aka HAM radio) operators will be broadcasting from the park and communicating with operators in Indiana and other states and even in foreign countries. Several operators will be available to explain amateur radio to visitors. The operators will also explain how amateur radio can be used in emergency events such as tornadoes and ice storms, when telephone and normal radio communications fail.

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175th Anniversary of Morse Code:

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 05:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28925

The United States is honoring the 175th anniversary of Morse code. A method of transmitting text as sequences of short and long signals called "dots" and "dashes" was developed by Professor Samuel Morse of New York University in 1836. Seven years later, he sent the world's first telegram with the Biblical text "What hath God wrought" via a 64-kilometer telegraph cable laid between Washington and Baltimore.

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Car Key Mystery:

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 05:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28924

Are experts any closer to solving the case of the defunct key fobs? One local man says it may be a mixture of several frequencies. CHEYENNE -- A mysterious signal that has been shutting down cars and key fobs in a parking lot north of Frontier Mall may not be the fault of any one entity. Rather, it could be a combined effort, an expert says. The Wyoming Tribune Eagle published a story on Aug. 28 describing the strange happenings at the Rue Terre plaza n which includes Kohl's, Hobbytown USA, Bed Bath and Beyond and several other stores. In response, one local ham operator decided to take on radio expert David Maxson's suggestion that someone try to find the source of a possible rogue radio transmitter. The man, who has asked not to be identified, said he drove out to the parking lot the same day the story ran to do a little detective work. According to his readings, nearly every business in the plaza is emitting a powerful radio signal that corresponds to a frequency of 911.75 to 945 megahertz. The ham operator said those belong to a band of frequencies reserved for wireless in-store radio systems. He said the businesses are likely receiving the signals from their initial sources, then boosting their power and broadcasting them throughout their stores. While it appears no individual store is causing the problem, the close proximity of so many strong frequencies could be what's shutting down key fobs of late-model cars that park nearby, he said. Frequencies of 900 MHz are well above those used by modern key fobs and electronic car starters, the HAM operator said. But he added that all those all are bouncing off of one another, creating pockets in the lot where the frequencies have dropped to 315 MHz n the same range that modern key fobs operate on. As a result, he was able to find a number of areas where the radio signals were strong enough and of the right wavelength to shut down a key fob. The problem, he said, is that no one store or piece of equipment is solely responsible. He added that if his suspicions are correct, it's not likely the key fob killer will resolve itself anytime soon. It's possible the situation may have caught the eyes of the Federal Communications Commission, which is responsible for the management and certification of communications technology.

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Bob Cox, K3EST, Retires as CQWW Contest Director:

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 01:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28923

(Hicksville, NY - Sept. 4, 2012) -- Bob Cox, K3EST, has retired as Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest and as CQ's Director of Contesting, it was announced today by CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA. Cox has been at the helm of the CQWW for 35 years, guiding the contest through massive changes in technology - both on and off the air - and CQWW's growth to become the world's most popular amateur radio contest.

1686. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 5 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 02:11:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d042fddf23e1e0204c8ff03a0@google.com>
Source record: 2053
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio operators in Emerson will take part in state field day -
Magnoliareporter

Posted: 05 Sep 2012 06:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFb9FplqWHR1oCHukpVTAx2YCQ7cA&url=http://www.magnoliareporter.com/living_and_learning/community_groups/article_f002913c-f70a-11e1-90a1-0019bb2963f4.html

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The PurpleHull Pea Amateur Radio Club was formed in 2004 after it was noticed that an unusually large portion of the Emerson PurpleHull Pea Festivals volunteers were also ham radio operators. An application was filed with the Federal Communications ...

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Role of Amateur Radio Operators May Determine Lease Agreement - hays Post

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFWeZhrjfINALRPx8AspmCZGlyKmg&url=http://www.hayspost.com/2012/09/05/role-of-amateur-radio-operators-may-determine-lease-agreement/

hays Post
Role of Amateur Radio Operators May Determine Lease Agreement
hays Post
The importance of amateur radio operators is at the heart of a discussion about whether Ellis County should agree to lease space on a communications tower for an amateur radio antenna and related equipment. Sheriff Ed Harbin says in times of disaster, ...

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ISS Amateur Radio CubeSat deployment postponed - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Sep 2012 05:44 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF7FiaQenAHI4_UwPF9lYq22wxxwQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/iss_cubesats_to_deploy_september_10.htm

ISS Amateur Radio CubeSat deployment postponed
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
ISS Amateur Radio CubeSat deployment postponed. JAXA have announced that the deployment of five CubeSats from the International Space Station (ISS) planned for September 10 has been postponed due to an additional EVA taking place September 5.

1687. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 36 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 05:38:07 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
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MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 36 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-09-06
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ZK2 ; Niue ; Square: AH51 ; start 2012-09-07

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012
LATEST NEWS from W7GJ, dated 2012-08-14:
The callsigns for the Niue JT65 EME operation next month will be:
E6M - 6m
E6RS - 2m
I have updated my website to include information on how to update your WSJT program
to include these calls as well as include the E6 prefix:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
Please watch for us on EME! GL and VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: Moon-Net

NEWS by W7GJ, dated 2012-09-03:
Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could mark your
calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the end of August ;-)
As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with me on 6m EME when I was in
E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be active during our common moon windows -
especially during the optimum days of the month for 6m EME.
The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email), and the QTH has not been finalized,
but all the plane tickets have been purchased (as usual, any contributions are VERY

welcome),
and the equipment (a KX3 portable transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works.
As soon as the license is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference for a takeoff shot
over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating),
so we will get the ground gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period, as we did together from E51 and 3D2;
Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS. More details will be posted on the above website as the departure
time at the end of August gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GU & GJ ; Guernsey & Jesrey ; Square: IN89 ; start 2012-09-29

Hermann, DL2NUD, and Peter, DJ4TC, will be qrv some days from GU and GJ
during sept. 29th and oct. 09th, 2012
Main goal are the higher bands these time. Activity on 144 MHz will be only short!
The Team will be ready with following equipment:
144: 9 el 7KF hor./vert. abt. 400W
432: 21 el hor. 120W (400W sometimes)
1296: 62 el hor. 200W (400W sometimes)

Source: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2012-10-01

Bodo, DF8DX, qrv from SV9 on HF and 23cm EME

Equipment will be like on my previous DXpeditions IC7000 with transverter (100W) and 59ele yagi.
call: SV9/DF8DX
Grid: KM25 (exact locator will be given later)
IOTA: EU-015
Activity on 23cm EME:
October 2, 2000-2130z (for EU)
October 3, 0400-0600z (for NA)
with backup dates:
October 3, 2030-2200z (for EU)
October 4, 0430-0600z (for NA)
Frequency: TX first on 1296.090MHz / RX on my own echo frequency (just like in CW)

I am one week on SV9 but I would prefer you work me on the suggested times because i want to spend some time with my wife on this vacation and also enjoy some HF (CW only) activity as well
as maybe activity from EU-187. Further skeds on request (if necesary). Check www.mmmonvhf.de for updates.

73 de Bodo, DF8DX

SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DF8DX, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-09-09.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - September 9 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

Oh... and to contact us with your news because
If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 9 2012.

ARISS to contact Australian school

What use is an f-call?

SEQ-ATV Repeater now full power from Deception Bay

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING SEP 09 2012.

Coast FM in Mandurah, WA, recently ran a competition that saw all the schools
in the area campaign for the chance to do something very special.

Pinjarra Primary School were the eventual winners and they then had the
chance to send an object into space.

On Friday 31st the near space weather balloon, 'Expandasaurus', was launched
and tracked by the students.

Attached to it they placed a piece of Star Wars Lego

The stats were impressive...

- it travelled 27,500 metres high
- had a top speed of 256 kph
- total flight time of 1.5 hours

The craft was finally recovered 212 kms away near Narrogin.

Starting with a real shot showing the Lego figure in space visit
http://www.radiotoday.com.au

Now with a bit of digging it would appear Ham Radio was involved in a small way helping these students. A VK6ND-11 was noticed on the video on the radiotoday.com.au web site using APRS via VK6RMW-3.

On the DK0 web site of old APRS data, we found that at 22.47UTC 30th the balloon was at 5,737ft and burst at a height of 88,449 foot almost 2 hours later on the 31st.

ARISS to contact Australian school

The Tara Anglican School for Girls, North Parramatta in New South Wales is due to have a telebridge contact with the International Space Station this Sunday in Europe or Monday morning local time.

The International Space Station will be audible over Europe on 145.800 MHz FM as it passes over the ground station ON4ISS in Belgium through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station project.

The contact will also be broadcast on EchoLink AMSAT node 101 377 and JK1ZRW node 277 208 conference servers, as well as on IRLP Discovery Reflector 9010.

Among the questions students will ask Astronaut Sunita Williams KD5PLB are what inspired her to be a space traveller, the research projects in space, junk or meteorites that has been seen and how the craft is powered.

A leading Australian girls' school, Tara was selected by Oxford University to join the Global Jet Watch Program which links university astronomers to high schools also from Chile, South Africa and India.

ARISS contact postponed

Friday September 7, 2012's 08.52 UTC, ARISS contact planned with Gymnasium Michelstadt, Michelstadt, Germany was postponed.

This direct radio contact with the International Space Station was postponed till a later date to be determined.

The reason is an additional EVA (Extra Vehicular Activity or Space Walk).

For security reasons, ARISS contacts are not permitted during an EVA.

(Jim Linton VK3PC/SouthGate)

SCAM alert - 'PHISHING' email

Reports have been received about scam emails claiming to come from the ACMA.

The subject heading is 'Broadband Account Upgrade Pending' and the subheading is 'Urgent news, your Broadband Account needs to Upgraded for Security Measures!' or similar.

This is not an ACMA email but links to a 'phishing' webpage that seeks details about your internet accounts. It is important that you do not click on the link, and do not provide any details. In the event that you have already done so, please contact your Internet Service Provider as soon as possible.

(ACMA.GOV.AU)

25 kHz spaced UHF Citizen Band Radio equipment in NZ

In a recent statement, New Zealand's RSM says that all manufacturers and importers of UHF CB radio equipment with 25 kHz channelling should note that in accordance with the ZL General User Radio Licence for Citizen Band Radio, equipment that does not comply with AS/NZS 4365:2011 cannot be sold in New Zealand if it is manufactured or imported into New Zealand after 1 December 2012.

ON THE AIR

The UK's Daily Mail and General Trust has sold its remaining 50 per cent of DMG Radio Australia.

The buyer is Illyria, Lachlan Murdoch's private company, which already owned the other 50 per cent after a deal in 2009.

The announcement ends a 15-year involvement in Australian radio from DMGT which began when foundation CEO Paul Thompson purchased 5AA Adelaide in the late 90′s.

DMG Radio Australia most recently launched Smooth FM in Sydney and Melbourne earlier this year and owns the CHR network Nova

(radiotoday.co.uk)

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Greetings Everyone, from the President and Board of the WIA.

In August I was engaged in conversation with a recently licensed and very keen Foundation licensee. I quickly realised he had given long, considered and unemotional thought to the issues he was raising and the elements underlying them that he had identified. From my hurried notes made at the time and post the all too short casual meeting I will share some of his thoughts with you.

It is his belief that it is essential we all remember and reflect on our first introduction to the mysteries and science of Amateur Radio, the people and personalities who whetted our appetite for more knowledge and understanding, and those who guided us through the learning process to gain

our first Amateur licence. Whenever we hear a new callsign on air, especially Foundation licence callsigns, it is prudent we each pause and recall our own first tentative steps onto the airwaves before we dismiss the caller as a 'Cornflake Cowboy' not worthy of our communication. It is far better to spend a few moments with the caller to give acknowledgment, encouragement and friendship in the true spirit of Amateur Radio. Hard to argue against this view of his isn't it?

His next point was many Foundation licensees, such as himself, felt somewhat abandoned once they had achieved their first step into the hobby. He would like to see more commitment in time and knowledge, by the person or persons who introduced a newcomer to the hobby, post the Foundation licence. He believes as current mentors fade away or become silent keys the mentoring skills will be lost unless people, such as him, are subject to skilled mentoring and can learn to carry those skills, and our hobby, into the future.

My ready response to that was to be "Well, new people can get all that within a club." But then I paused and thought about isolated Amateurs or would be Amateurs whose only contact with Amateur Radio may be with some local Radio Amateur. Older people keen to enter the world of Amateur Radio who do not have private transport or have restricted travel options. Two words kept buzzing in my mind as he was speaking;

Consideration and Commitment.

I left the conversation feeling confident that while we had young people such as him entering Amateur Radio the future of our hobby looked bright. Then I fondly recalled my early days in Amateur Radio and the camaraderie I enjoyed then and now with the wider Amateur community.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm

Amateur Radio will be conducting the next one day Foundation course at the VK2WI site, 63 Quarry Road, Dural 23rd September . Assessments will be the following Sunday. Details under Training on the ARNSW web site www.arnsw.org.au
Contact by email education@arnsw.org.au or telephone 02 9651 1490 and leave message and contact details.

Sunday the 30 th September is the next activity at the VK2WI Dural site, 63 Quarry Rd. Dural with the morning T&T, exam assessments and Home Brew afternoon gathering. Check out the ARNSW web site home page www.arnsw.org.au for the various activities. Those attending assessments bring a passport photo and identification.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Want to get your amateur radio licence?

The next quality Foundation Licence training and assessment weekend by Amateur Radio Victoria will be September the 22nd and 23rd.

These are held at centrally located 40G Victory Boulevard, Ashburton. To enrol please contact Barry Robinson VK3PV foundation@amateurradio.com.au or 0428 516 001.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

September 16 is the Brisbane VHF Groups Antenna Tune Up Day. See VK4OE. Details from BNE VHF GROUP (try their repeater 147.000)

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

North West Tasmanian Amateur TV Group (NWT-ATVG)
http://www.vk7ax.id.au/atvgroup/

Amateur Radio Assessments and training

Persons in the N/West Area of VK7 interested in Training and Assessments for all classes of Amateur Radio Licenses are advised that the Club can provide these requirements and much more.

(Tony 7ax)

Northern Tasmanian Amateur Radio Club
www.ntarc.net

October NTARC Meeting

To be held on Wednesday 12 October, this will again be the yearly pilgrimage to Mt Barrow. Last year this was a really great evening and those that attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves, especially in the extended twilight that came with the introduction of daylight saving just days before.

This formula will also apply in 2012, so get along.

Arrive any time in the afternoon and NTARC have the site overnight so if you are appropriately equipped, why not camp until next morning. There are members who regularly do just that and they would love to have your company.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

To be a HAM means different things to different people. For some it's an excuse to have a radio or it's a reason to participate in competitions. For others it's a reason to invent new contraptions in the shack, but for most, being a HAM is about communication. The obvious communication is that heard on-air across the Amateur Bands, but that's not the only communication that

is occurring. Many Hams are members of clubs, or find like-minded individuals where they make their experience a shared one.

Whatever your bent in Amateur Radio, you're participating in this hobby to get something from it.

Of course, if everyone only ever took something without giving something back, there would not be a hobby at all. For me, giving back is in the realm of the things I do, making this segment, hosting F-troop on the local repeater, participating in my club, writing articles, sending email feedback and making myself available for others to talk to.

It's strange to me, but I've heard many new licensees say that because they only have an F-call, or because they've only been licensed for a small time, they're not able to contribute. Worse still, even if those excuses are not used, there seems to be the idea that they have no right to speak up, or that they have not enough knowledge to contribute in any meaningful way.

I'd have to say that this makes no sense to me. I know that I'm not backwards in coming forward, some would say I've got more front than a Mac truck, but I try very hard to make my contributions in the realms that I understand and one of those is that I'm a beginner, so I'll spend lots of time asking questions and reading articles. At some point someone will say something that runs contrary to my understanding, so I'll ask why?

Asking "Why?" is in of itself a contribution, but you can expand on it by doing something with what you learnt from asking the question. You could write an article for the local newsletter, send an email to your local mailing list, or post a story on your website. You could go on air and talk about it, or sit around the BBQ and share.

Contributions can be made everywhere. Having a Foundation License, or being new to the hobby is no excuse. What did you contribute to your hobby today?

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Philippine hams get new privileges

The Philippines Amateur Radio Association has announced a new Foundation Licence with VHF frequencies is available to those aged at least nine years.

In other regulations access is given to the new low and medium frequency bands, increases 40-metres 7.201 MHz to 7.300 MHz, while also allowing Class B and C licence holders to operate mobile HF.

Internet technology such as EchoLink is now explicitly allowed and an organising committee will oversee the examination question pool.

Amateur radio helps track Hurricane Isaac

Amateur radio first responders along the United States Gulf shore were ready when Hurricane Isaac slammed ashore on 28 and 29 August.

Members of the Hurricane Watch Net took to the air to track its approach and although band conditions on 20 and 40m were not the greatest, the net continued and began passing storm conditions to the National Hurricane Centre in Miami.

The Net ceased its operation on the afternoon of Wednesday 29 August once Hurricane Isaac was downgraded to a tropical storm.

MARS ROVER GETS SOFTWARE UPDATE

NASA's Mars Science Laboratory at JPL team has sent a software update to the Curiosity Rover on Mars, more than 160 million miles away. According to Venturebeat dot com, the software had to be updated because Curiosity needed different directions to drive around on Mars than it did to land on the planet's surface.

The computer hardware in the Curiosity Rover is powered by a pair of computers built by BAE Systems. These RAD750 computers use a 10-year-old IBM PowerPC microprocessor running at a relatively slow 132 megahertz. These machines also have only 120 megabytes of random access memory, but are built to withstand wild temperature swings, radiation, and physical shaking.

The drawback is that the computers on the robot vehicle did not have enough memory for both the landing and its surface missions. So NASA had to swap out the software over four days of communication through the void of space. It took so long because it takes about 14 minutes to send the signal to the rover and another 14 minutes to get a response back.

APRS TO ASSIST VULTURE 2 SPACEPLANE TRACKING

The Low Orbit Helium Assisted Navigator Vulture 2 space plane will carry an amateur radio Automatic Packet Reporting System or APRS system.

The UK newspaper the Register reports that Anthony Stirk, M-Zero-U-P-U, who was involved in the Raspberry Pi In The Sky mission, is working on the custom control board for the Vulture 2 space plane.

As of now, the communications subsystem has a Radiometrix 300 milliwatt HX1 144 MHz band module for APRS and a Radiometrix 10 milliwatt NTX2 433 MHz band module for RTTY. More information on frequencies will be announced at a later date.

More on this upcoming near to space adventure can
be read on-line at tinyurl.com/vulture-2. And we
will have more ham radio space related news later
on in this week's newscast.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

HAM RADIO DELUXE UPDATED

HRD Software announces an updated release of Ham
Radio Deluxe version 5.24.36. This update
includes fixes for cross band contacts in Logbook
and some PTT issues hams have run into with DM780.

Meanwhile the Ham Radio Deluxe development team
continues work on HRD Version 6.0. The specific
date release date will be announced in a future press release.

For those who are unfamiliar with it, Ham Radio
Deluxe or HRD is an integrated suite of software
products for amateur radio. The five modules
provide rig control, logging, digital
communications, satellite tracking, and rotator
control.

More about it is on-line at www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Hamfest talk shows Invisible Surprises

With a forgotten technology first used by Marconi , Chip Cohen W1YW, brought
Marconi's "metamaterials" to a whole new level, he made them do a
disappearing act.

In Massachusetts, W1YW has given the first public demonstration of an
actual "invisibility cloak."

Well over a 150 eager radio hams and guests saw a live demonstration of
metal mast disappear at microwaves, over a wide bandwidth, by partially
covering it with a Marconi-inspired invisibility cloak.

W1YW's invisibility cloak is the first actual device that makes things
disappear. Using fractals as resonators, it slip-streams the waves around
an obstacle, and in that process hides the obstacle completely. It joins
these resonators/antennas with a very close (but not touching) spacing,
an idea that came to Marconi and his collaborator Franklin in 1919.

"Marconi never came close to making an invisibility cloak, but everyone using
metamaterials -- those closely spaced resonators -- owes that basic idea to
him."

W1YW's invisibility cloak development was a slow one over a dozen years. It harps back to work he did when tinkering with antennas when the bands were dead. The first invisibility cloak demonstration finally came to fruition in 2009.

While science fiction and Harry Potter have fascinated people with the notion of the invisibility cloak, W1YW's invention is the only one that works. W1YW has just received the very first, and basic, patent for invisibility cloaks -- U.S. patent 8,253,639.

W1YW also showed a very large invisibility cloak with nearly 10,000 little resonator/antennas making it the largest, in number, antenna array in the world. " I was delighted to show something very special in terms of the size and type of objects cloaked. The general public will be aware of this soon, but I wanted my fellow radio amateurs to have the fun of seeing it first" . Added W1YW: "This changes everything."

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

DXCC DESK APPROVES 1998 XU1A CAMBODIAN DXPEDITION

After reviewing new information and documentation, the ARRL DXCC Desk has concluded that the 1998 XU1A DXpedition to Cambodia will be valid for DXCC credit. If you have had QSLs rejected for this operation, please send a request via e-mail <bmoore@arrl.org> to be placed on the list for update. If you remember the submission in which you included the QSL, please note this in your e-mail, as it will expedite the search for the rejected QSO.

A group of operators from Switzerland known as the Radio 7 Team will be active from Rodrigues Island as 3 B 9 SP from between October 16 and 23. Most operation will be on CW and SSB with some RTTY and PSK 31. QSL via HB 9 ACA.

PT 0 S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks
The DXpedition will take place in late November to mid-December.
The actual dates will depend on weather conditions.
There had been an official ban on Amateur Radio activities from PY 0 S.
Although the ban, which was created for environmental and safety reasons, remains in place, a special permit by Brazil's S.E.C.I.R.M.
the Brazilian Navy, Ministry of Environment and LABRE to conduct a two week long operation.

(SouthGate)

Morocco CN 2 YZ through years end. His activity will be from the city of Tangier especially on the weekends.

GB 80 PW Practical Wireless 80th year
In the UK Ofcom have issued the special callsign GB 80 PW to Practical Wireless magazine to celebrate the publication's 80th year in print.

Philippine Amateur Radio League 50th anniversary special event
Look for special event station 4 G 0 LD to be active during 2012.
Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur Radio League (PARL).
QSL via the Bureau.
Also, the P.A.R.L. is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio stations that have established two-way communications with at least 12 QSOs with PARL members.

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria several special stations are active until the end of 2012.
Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and 7Y50I.

Temotu Province H 40 FN between this December 22nd and January 7th of 2013.
QSL H 40 FN via HA 8 DD.

E I 25 D B Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.
To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI 25 DB until 30th June 2013.
The station is operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led by Declan and Pete.
QSLs to Declan EI 9 HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

AWARDS

RSGB Commonwealth Century Club Jubilee Award 2012

Of course this year is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and mindful that the Queen is the head of the Commonwealth of Nations we remind you of that new operating award

To qualify for this attractive certificate all you need to do is to work as many different countries and call areas on the Commonwealth Century Club list during 2012.

Certificates will be awarded for working 60 and 100 different call areas.

Use any mode or bands you like and QSL cards are not required.

Score sheets and full details can be downloaded from www.beru.org.uk/CCCaward/CCCindex.html

G3PJT@btinternet.com

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

Rouge Broadcaster vacates 40m amateur band

Radio Bangladesh has left 7105kHz in the amateur 40m band.

They finished the experimental transmissions BUT only QSY'd to 7250kHz.

The move is thanks to the many amateur radio users who reported the infringement on the band. Particular thanks go to the German regulator BNetzA, who made official complaints to Radio Bangladesh.

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ATV (Every pixel tells a story) - Video
arvideonews.com
hamradiotube.com
youtube.com
qdg.org.au

The South East Queensland ATV group's digital ATV repeater is undergoing on air testing using full output power.

Martin VK4JVC has brought the VK4RMG repeater down from Ocean View and changed the analogue transmitter for a newly built dual stream digital unit. He has built the new power amplifier for the SEQATV groups Digital ATV repeater and is sending out test transmissions on 446.5 MHz.

The digital signal is to commercial television standards and is truly linear with no distortion.

Testing is currently using a beam pointing South from Deception Bay to the Brisbane CBD.

The home built power amplifier is currently working well above expectations so the signal is easy to find when on air.

The transmitter is now being tested, filters adjusted etc, when Martin is home so look for a signal outside business hours, both channels are in operation.

Good reports have been received ranging from Samford Valley to the Brisbane south side.

During the next month improvements will be made to the repeater input receivers ready to go back up the mountain.

(Alan VK4NA)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- DIGITAL

D-STAR Repeater Update

VK7RRR is now running in full duplex mode, so local QSO's are now possible. There will no doubt be some kinks to work out over the next few weeks (and months) but so far the repeater is operating reliably.

By default VK7RRR is now connected to DCS014 (Module B), the new Australian x-Net reflector, located in Sydney. VK7RRR is joined on the new reflector by 10 other repeaters from around Australia, and one from New Zealand, making it generally very active.

(vk7wi)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Typhoon and an earthquake strike

A powerful storm called Typhoon Bolaven battered Korea and then a big earthquake occurred in the Philippines - and responding to both disasters were radio amateurs with emergency communication.

The Korean Amateur Radio League spokesman Yong-Surke Lee HL1FB said when the typhoon hit late last month the messages kept flowing to the authorities via its mountain located D90IK 2-metre repeater, with 6K2BUF the control officer.

The South Korean state disaster management agency reported ten deaths as the storm, the strongest to hit the country for almost a decade, left hundreds of thousands with homes without power and suffering property damage.

Meantime the strongest earthquake in more than two decades, measuring 7.6 on the Richter scale, hit the Philippines and members of the Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HERO) soon after were exchanging messages with the affected coastal areas.

Eddie Valdez DU1EV, the Chief Operating Officer of the Philippines Amateur Radio Association said that DU1VHY handled traffic and got reports from the affected areas.

Eddie DU1EV said the area of DU5 was nearest the epicentre and DV5PO reported there was a power outage in Borongan, Samar Island. DV5RAY reported that people were evacuating because of the tsunami alert.

The alert was lifted after only small waves were generated. Tens of thousands of people who headed out of the danger zone have now returned.

The National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council initial assessment was that there was no major structural damage in the affected areas. Most houses destroyed were built from light material.

Eddie DU1EV said it was good that many hams in the affected areas showed up on the 2-metre and 40-metre emergency channels and other districts were on standby if needed.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

SEP 8 VK4 SUNFEST WOOMBYE. (Sunshine Coast).

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

OCT 21 VK3 BALLARAT HAMVENTION

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

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wia.org.au

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slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your
item write in the 3rd person.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1689. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 6 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 11:05:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51618a1d46f0a04c906783b@google.com>
Source record: 2056
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bYJjX7Sg4EA/september_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A good weekend for the Field Day contest Region 1 with Saturday being a little more prolific than Sunday. Ah yes, memories of lots of coffee, curry and beer and large fry-up breakfasts. That apart, the week was slow. Friday improved probably with the various groups out testing their kit and working out operating schedules. Fun on a stick!

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APRS buoy KT5TK-8 released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/plICCKDWnWc/aprs_buoy_kt5tk_8_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andy HP/W5ACM/MM has posted a report on the amateur radio APRS buoy KT5TK-8 released off the West coast, just south of Canadian waters

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243kHz Denmark DRM test during IBC 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xTg5H0SpDO8/243khz_denmark_drm_test_during_ibc2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC programme 'The Strand' demo will be transmitted in a loop on 243 kHz signal for the duration of the IBC 6-12 September 2012 before 05:35, between 09:20-11:35 and after 18:30 central European time

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Last amateur operation from Radio Nederland Wereldomroep

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6auwilmM6ZI/last_amateur_operation_from_radio_nederland_wereldomroep.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Curacao Radio Amateur Club VERONA is planning an operation using the curtain Antennas of Radio Nederland Wereldomroep Bonaire Shortwave repeater

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ARISS contact planned with school in Australia - Downlink audible over
Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PGJPl5efLzw/ariss_event_0909.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Sunday September 9, 2012 at 08.50 UTC, which is 10.50 CEST, an ARISS
contact is planned with Tara Anglican School, North Parramatta, New South
Wales, Australia

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RSGB Board proceedings released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G5lOf9kQWE0/rsgb_board_proceedings_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has released the board proceedings for August 18

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Lesotho DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MxQU_a8oO-0/lesotho_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Donovan, ZS2DL, has finalized his team of operators and plans to arrive in
Lesotho on November 21st, and leave on December 4th

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HG1912PTTT Hungarian Special Event Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ko372BFznmg/hg1912pttt_hungarian_special_event_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Puskas Tivadar Radio Amateur Club (HA5KHC) will be active as
HG1912PTTT from Budapest between now and September 30th

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DX Magazine 'Most Wanted' survey

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pOYsny1FxoM/dx_magazine_most_wanted_survey.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Carl, N4AA, editor of 'QRZ DX' and 'The DX Magazine', reports to DXers:
Effective immediately the 2012 Most Wanted Survey form is available on the
DX Publishing web site

1690. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 6 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 12:08:56 UTC
From: King Turnip <mike.gathergood@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <72475ffa-c72f-4369-8729-bb144a342d54@rq1g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2057
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Sep 6, 12:05 pm, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
<newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
> Andy HP/W5ACM/MM has posted a report on the amateur radio APRS buoy KT5TK-8
> released off the West coast, just south of Canadian waters

It appears to be parked outside Macey's on the corner of Howell Street
and Court Place, in Seattle at the moment?

1691. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 6 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 16:49:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec511e384664aa104c90b45c2@google.com>
Source record: 2058
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Startup deploying new wireless network over TV white space

Posted: 05 Sep 2012 08:36 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360460-Startup-deploying-new-wireless-network-over-TV-white-space&goto=newpost

From http://levelrf.com/blog.html:

Level RF is building the next generation wireless network. As a startup with a little funding, Level had to find a way to overcome the high cost of quality spectrum. The FCC, thanks to the persuasion of some of the largest tech giants, has opened up spectrum for unlicensed use in the frequencies previously used for TV broadcasting. TV frequencies in the UHF band are great for covering long distances and penetrating through walls. However, there are a lot of TV stations still operating in urban markets presenting new challenges for a wireless carrier.

Level RF is in developing custom network infrastructure to deploy a next generation wireless network for the next generation of connected people and machines. To prove the capabilities of this new space in challenging urban environments, Level is deploying the first network in the San Francisco Bay area and opening up to makers and start ups who want to connect their low bandwidth projects to the web. Base stations are hosted at volunteers homes and offices. Since Level is operating in the UHF band they only need 40-50 base stations to cover the bay area.

The most exciting feature of the network is that it will adapt and improve rapidly, similar to how websites change today. Software Defined Radio allows changes to hardware remotely and ensures the wide range of possible applications are getting the best service possible. With the help of the community, Level plans to leap frog the capabilities of current networks in terms of data throughput and efficiency.

Level RF is working hard in Sunnyvale, CA to deploy the first network by March 2013. If you are interested in building the next generation wireless network, please contact

founders [at] levelrf.com.

More information: levelrf.com

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Bob Cox, K3EST, Retires as CQWW Contest Director

Posted: 04 Sep 2012 07:24 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360334-Bob-Cox-K3EST-Retires-as-CQWW-Contest-Director&goto=newpost

From the CQ Newsroom...

(Hicksville, NY - Sept. 4, 2012) -- Bob Cox, K3EST, has retired as Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest and as CQ's Director of Contesting, it was announced today by CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA. Cox has been at the helm of the CQWW for 35 years, guiding the contest through massive changes in technology - both on and off the air - and CQWW's growth to become the world's most popular amateur radio contest. Cox's retirement is effective immediately. A successor has not yet been named. For additional information, visit the CQ Newsroom at

http://cqnewsroom.blogspot.com/>.

1692. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 6 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 16:51:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51618a1f14d3104c90b4cef@google.com>
Source record: 2059
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Parachute Mobile Vertical DXpedition Sunday Sept 9 2012, special QSL cards available

Posted: 05 Sep 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360437-Parachute-Mobile-Vertical-DXpedition-Sunday-Sept-9-2012-special-QSL-cards-available&goto=newpost

Details at www.parachutemobile.org

Jumpers will be Mark Meltzer AF6IM and Michael Gregg KF6WRW. We expect to start jumping around 11 AM, but scheduling is dependent on weather and plane loading. We pay $20 a jump. Tandem jumpers pay about 8x. Guess who has priority? We hope to make four jumps during the afternoon.

Both jumpers will be carrying APRS gear which will transmit GPS data, heart rate and SpO2 (blood oxygen level). Look up their callsigns on www.aprs.fi

Jumpers will be exiting from a King Air 90 over the Byron CA airport at about 13,500 ft and deploying a few seconds later to give maximum canopy hang time for QSOs. Distant hams are encouraged to try for a QSO. We routinely make contacts over 100 miles and could go further if hams go to mountain tops for their QSOs.

QSOs with the Jumpers will be on 146.430 FM simplex with an alternate of 147.570 simplex. Special event Parachute Mobile QSL cards will be swapped with hams who contact our jumpers and SWLs who provide sufficient QSO details to verify reception.

Parachute Mobile: In the air, On the air.

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Suffolk County Radio Club Weekly Ragchew Net

Posted: 05 Sep 2012 02:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360426-Suffolk-County-Radio-Club-Weekly-Ragchew-Net&goto=newpost

The Suffolk County Radio Club (Long Island, NY) hosts a weekly General Information & Ragchew Net

on our W2DQ 2 Meter Repeater. 145.210 PL 136.5 negative shift. It is also accessible via Echolink Node 158428 (N2QPD-L).

The net is held weekly on Wednesday evenings at 8:00 PM (eastern time).

Guest check-ins are always welcome.

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North America SOTA Weekend: September 8-9

Posted: 05 Sep 2012 10:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360394-North-America-SOTA-Weekend-September-8-9&goto=newpost

Summits on the Air (SOTA) is a world-wide award scheme for radio amateurs and

shortwave listeners that encourages portable operation in mountainous areas.

Summits qualify for listing in the SOTA database based on prominence. Each SOTA

summit earns the activators and chasers a score which is related to the height

of the summit. Certificates are available for various scores.

In order to promote SOTA operations in North America, September 8-9 has been

designated NA-SOTA weekend. Activators will make a special effort to be

operational on SOTA summits this weekend.

For more information the SOTA Program, see http://www.sota.org.uk or http://na-sota.org/

For information on planned activations, see http://sotawatch.org/alerts.php

Also visit the NASOTA Yahoo Group. http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nasota/

1693. eHam.net News for Thursday 6 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 22:26:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307cfea83437fb04c90ffcfe@google.com>
Source record: 2060
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 08:17 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28938

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Plans Centennial Celebration in Hartford in 2014:

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 08:16 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28937

The ARRL has announced plans to hold its National Centennial Convention in Hartford, Connecticut on July 17-20, 2014. The Convention will mark 100 years of the ARRL's founding in Hartford. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, has also announced a theme for ARRL's Centennial year: Advancing the Art and Science of Radio -- Since 1914.

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VoIP Hurricane Net Provides Support During Hurricane Isaac:

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 08:16 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28936

The VoIP Hurricane Net -- running on the *WX_TALK* EchoLink conference node 7203/IRLP 9219 -- was active over a two day period from August 28-29 as Hurricane Isaac pounded the Northern Gulf Coast with high winds, extremely heavy rainfall, significant storm surge and river and stream flooding.

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ARRL in Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 08:17 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28935

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Official Observer Desk and more.

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 08:15 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28934

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page on the ARRL website. Let your voice be
heard!

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Picnic Powers Up Vienna Wireless Society's Golden Anniversary Celebration:

Posted: 05 Sep 2012 10:51 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28931

VIENNA -- The Vienna Wireless Society (VWS) kicks off a series of events commemorating its 50th anniversary with a picnic at Vienna's Nottaway Park on Sunday, September 16, from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm. The public is invited to attend.

1694. The ARRL Letter for September 6, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-06 22:29:59 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120906171913.D204526B40@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2061
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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In May 1914, Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW -- a leading inventor and
industrialist in Hartford, Connecticut -- founded the American Radio
Relay League, together with Clarence Tuska, 1WD, the secretary of The
Radio Club of Hartford. Today, the ARRL serves almost 160,000 members,
mostly licensed radio amateurs, in the US and around the world.
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The decision to hold the ARRL Centennial Convention in Hartford was made by the ARRL Board of Directors at its July 2012 meeting. The organization's headquarters has been maintained in the Hartford area since its founding. ARRL's present headquarters is located on Main Street in Newington, Connecticut, a suburb of Hartford, and is visited by nearly 2000 groups and individuals each year. The site has been home to The Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, W1AW, since 1938. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-plans-centennial-celebration-in-hartford-in-2014>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: VOIP HURRICANE NET PROVIDES SUPPORT DURING HURRICANE ISAAC

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==> + CHECK OUT THE OCTOBER 2012 ISSUE OF QST

Have you ever wanted to go on a DXpedition, but lacked the time -- or resources -- to make it happen? Never fear, because you can go on four DXpeditions from the comfort of your armchair, thanks to the October edition of QST! In our annual DXing issue, discover DXpeditions of lore and legend as we take you to Malpelo, Rotuma, Navassa and the Mountains of the Moon. So sit back and enjoy all the fun and challenges that come with being in a remote part of the world, connected to civilization only by radio waves racing through the ether.

The cover of the October issue of QST features the 2012 HK0NA DXpedition to Malpelo, an island located about 235 miles of the coast of Colombia. In his article "Malpelo Island DXpedition 2012 -- HK0NA," Bob Allphin, K4UEE, recounts how 20 hams from six countries came together to activate the #12 most-wanted DXCC entity earlier this year. Travel with Paul S. Ewing, N6PSE, to Rotuma in his article "DXpedition to the Future," and with J. Robert Eshleman, W4DR, to Navassa in "DX Determination." Lots of hams depend on spotting networks to work DX. Murray Green, K3BEQ, tells how DX spotting networks have advanced from voice over 2 meter simplex to the Reverse Beacon Network in his article "The Evolution of DX Spotting."

As many hams know, tubes can be expensive and hard to find. To overcome this, James Klitzing, W6PQL, developed a compact linear amplifier. In his article "Solid State 1 kW Linear Amplifier for 2 Meters," he shows readers exactly what they need to build the amplifier. Arch Doty, W7ACD, knows that there's more to cosmic and atmospheric noise than meets the ear. In his article "Those Mysterious Signals," he explains that while these signals may just sound like noise to us, they mean a

lot more to radio astronomers. ARRL Education and Technology Program Coordinator Mark Spencer, WA8SME, shows how to control your VHF SSB transceiver to simulate full duplex operation in his article "Satellite CAT Interface for Working the Analog Birds."

ARRL Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM, takes a look at the Alinco DJ-V57T handheld dual-band transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says the rig "offers a nice selection of basic features and good transmit and receive performance at a reasonable price. The standard battery pack is fine for casual use, but consider one of the optional high capacity packs if you expect to transmit frequently." ARRL Contributing Editor Rick Palm, K1CE, checked out the Kenwood TH-K20A handheld 2 meter FM transceiver, saying that it "is solidly built and easy to operate; it has a long battery life and great receiver performance."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and expect in the October QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor Is In, Short Takes, Vintage Radio, How's DX and more. Look for your October issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join, or to renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

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==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "I've seen sunny days that I thought would never end <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-T35WXFOmwI>" Cook, K7RA, reports: There was a surprising jump in solar activity occurred this week: The average daily sunspot numbers rose nearly 55 points (that's almost 74 percent) to 128.7, while the average daily solar flux values were up more than 28 points to 136.9. A pair of coronal mass ejections (CMEs) on September 3 and 4 excited Earth's geomagnetic field, causing A index values to jump. The middle latitude A index on September 2-5 was 14, 23, 14 and 24, and the planetary A index on those dates was 12, 32, 13 and 28, while high-latitude college A index (Fairbanks, Alaska) was 48, 52, 39 and 49. Solar flux predictions show the flux values peaking on September 6-7 at 130, then on September 8-12 the solar flux lowers to 125, 120, 115, 110 and 105. Solar flux on September 13-16 is predicted at 100, then 95 on September 17-22, then 100, 110, 115, 120 and 125 on

September 23-27, and then peaking at 130 on September 28. The planetary A index is predicted to be 10 and 8 on September 6-7, then 7 on September 8-10, 5 on September 11-13, 10 on September 14-16, 5 on September 17-19, 10 on September 20, 8 on September 21-23, and back down to 5 on September 24-28. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, September 7. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by James Taylor's Fire and Rain <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fire_and_rain>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: BOB BRUNINGA, WB4APR, WINS AUGUST QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the August QST Cover Plaque award is Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, for his article "Rethinking Electrical Power for the Ham." Congratulations Bob! The QST Cover Plaque award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll> . Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the September issue today.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO FUN: NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- Will you be participating in the CW or Phone Sweepstakes contests in November?
- Are you "fluent" in any computer programming languages?
- Does your HF transceiver have a DSP noise reduction feature?
- Have you taken the new Amateur Extra (Element 4) exam that went into effect on July 1?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the December 2012 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- September 7-8 -- PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80 Meter Sprint (local time)
- September 8-9 -- Arkansas QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (SSB)
- September 8-10 -- ARRL September VHF QSO Party

<http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf>
- September 9 -- North American Sprint (CW); SKCC Weekend Sprintathon;
Swiss HTC QRP Sprint
- September 10 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- September 12-13 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- September 14 -- NCC Sprint Ladder
- September 14-16 -- FISTS Get Your Feet Wet Weekend
- September 15 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- September 15-16 -- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest (local time)
<http://www.arrl.org/news/explore-the-upper-reaches-of-the-amateur-radio-spec
trum-in-the-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>;
South Carolina QSO Party; Washington State Salmon Run; Scandinavian
Activity Contest (CW); SRT HF Contest (SSB); QRP Afield
- September 16 -- North American Sprint (SSB); WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone
Contest
- September 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest; 144 MHz Fall Sprint
(local time)
- September 20 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 14-15 -- W9DXCC Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/w9dxcc-convention-2>, Elk Grove Village,
Illinois
- September 15 -- ARRL Virginia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-section-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 22 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-36th-annual-spokane
-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- September 22-23 -- ARRL Illinois State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/illinois-state-convention-peoria-superfest-2012
>,
Peoria, Illinois
- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,

Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona

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1695. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 6 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 02:18:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404b520a4c404c913393d@google.com>
Source record: 2062
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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When all else fails, Washington County Amateur Radio is there - Dixie Press Online

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 05:47 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFSq3fdAk4fylWl9XxCVk-jbNOLJw&url=http://www.stgeorgeutah.com/news/archive/2012/09/06/when-all-else-fails-washington-county-amateur-radio-is-there/

Dixie Press Online
When all else fails, Washington County Amateur Radio is there
Dixie Press Online
WCARES is the local chapter of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, a volunteer group of amateur ham radio operators who are activated following an emergency such as a natural disaster or blackout (their popular motto is “When all else fails, radio is ...

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Ham radio is not an 'old man's hobby', say enthusiasts - Canada.com

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 11:25 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGycF7lCom2RQ42766aE5UbmRrCgw&url=http://www.canada.com/radio%2Bhobby%2Benthusiasts/7200950/story.html

Ham radio is not an old mans hobby, say enthusiasts
Canada.com
Hosted by the Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association, Ham Happenings is a chance for amateur radio enthusiasts to swap gadgets and for newcomers to learn more about how it all works. A station will be set up so people can try transmitting on the radio.

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In Spirit of Giving, Business Donates ShareFest a New Website - Patch.com

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 04:08 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFkmREfGjW6jxYLbAMwKNYmLsZCtw&url=http://newlenox.patch.com/articles/sharefest-2012-website-revamped-in-time-for-11-days-of-giving

In Spirit of Giving, Business Donates ShareFest a New Website
Patch.com
Even his hobby as an amateur ham radio operator is connected to rescue efforts in times of natural disaster. The founder of the two-year-old Illinois Radio League, he has trained a total of 28 licensed ham radio

operators. Theyre prepared to handle ...

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FCC releases Amateur Radio study - Radio & Television Business Report

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 01:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGAzDnm4i4FuUvLQGKPxwSFB-e5A&url=http://rbr.com/fcc-releases-amateur-radio-study/

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Radio & Television Business Report
... and recommendations for enhancements in the voluntary deployment of Amateur/Ham Radio operators in disaster and emergency communications and disaster relief efforts; and recommendations for improved integration of Amateur Radio operators in the ...
Code communicators: Amateur radio club to assist Tour de La PorteThe Herald Argus
ARNewsline Report 1828 August 24 2012:eHam.net

all 3 news articles

1696. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 212] Last amateur operation from RadioNederland Wereldomroep

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 05:24:00 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50498317.5020507@rac.ca>
Source record: 2063
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

[IARU-R2-News 212] Last amateur operation from RadioNederland
Wereldomroep
2012-09-06

The (IARU member society) is planning an operation using the curtain
Antennas of Radio Nederland Wereldomroep Bonaire Shortwave repeater.

The crew will consist of Brett, PJ2BR; Victor, PJ2VR; Hans, PJ4LS;
Peter, PJ4NX; Carlo, PJ2CF; Castro, PJ2CFM; Ronny, PJ2CL and Sergio,
PJ2SM.

Operation is planned using the callsign PJ4R (if available, if not
PJ4/PJ2A will be used).

>Date: Saturday, September 8 and Sunday September 9 during local daylight.

Please check qrz.com for QSL info.

Source: Southgate Amateur Radio News http://www.southgatearc.org/index.ht
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1697. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1346997900@panix.com>
Source record: 2064
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1698. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1346998200@panix.com>
Source record: 2065
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
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We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

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article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
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any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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1699. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1830 - September 7 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120907090003.93F2D33C5E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2066
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1830 - September 7 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1830 with a release date of
September 7 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds to a typhoon in Korea and
an earthquake in the Philippines. Also, Yaesu donates a pair of
FT-2000 transceivers to help rebuild a flood ravaged national society
station in Thailand; the European Commission proposes an all out
spectrum sharing plan; a shortwave transmitter in Bangladesh vacates
the amateur exclusive section of 40 meters and an old modulation
technique makes a money saving comeback for commercial broadcasters.
Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number
1830 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: IARU REGION 3 HAMS RESPOND TO TWIN DISASTERS

A powerful storm called Typhoon Bolaven battered Korea on August 27th
and 28. Then on August 31st a major earthquake occurred off the coast
of the Philippines. Responding to both disasters were ham radio
operators equipped to provide emergency communication. Amateur Radio
Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reports:

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The South Korean state disaster management agency reported ten deaths
as a result of Typhoon Bolivan. It was the strongest storm to hit the
country for almost a decade and left hundreds of thousands without
electricity and suffering property damage. It also churned up rough
seas that smashed two fishing ships into rocks off southern Jeju
island.

Yong-Surke Lee, HL1FB, is the spokesperson for the Korean Amateur Radio
League. He said when Bolaven hit that emergency traffic between the
affected areas kept flowing to the authorities via its D90IK, 2 meter
repeater. In charge of the ham radio relief operations was 6K2BUF
acting as the network control officer. At the height of the severe
weather outbreak almost two million South Korean homes and businesses
were without power or telephones.

Meantime the strongest earthquake in more than two decades, measuring
7.6 on the Ritcher scale, hit the Philippines on August 31st local

time. Almost immediately after the event members of the Ham Emergency Radio Operations group were exchanging messages with the affected coastal areas.

Eddie Valdez DU1EV, is the Chief Operating Officer of the Philippines Amateur Radio Association. He says that Roberto Vincencio, DU1VHY, handled traffic and got reports from the affected areas.

Valdez said the area of DU5 was nearest the epicenter. Lester Price, DV5PO said that there was a power outage in Borongan, on Samar Island. Reynaldo Tan, DV5RAY reported that people had been evacuating because of the tsunami alert. The alert was lifted after officials reported that only small waves had been generated. Tens of thousands of people who headed out of the danger zone have since returned.

According to DU1EV, many hams in the affected areas showed up on the 2 meter and 40 meter emergency channels. He added that other districts were on standby if needed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The Philippine National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council initial assessment was that there was no major structural damage in the affected areas. It noted that most structures destroyed were built from light material. (VK3PC, Post World, BBC)

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RESCUE RADIO: YAESU DONATES NEW GEAR TO HELP REBUILD RAST STATION HS0AC

Yaesu has donated a pair of FT-2000D transceivers to the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand. This to help rebuild its headquarters station HS0AC that lost its radio gear during severe flooding last year.

The presentation of the two transceivers to the Radio Society of Thailand was made by Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV, who is the company's Executive Vice President Amateur Radio Sales and also holds the call sign HS0ZKS.

In his note, K7BV said that Thailand is what he called extremely "radio active" with over 300,000 hams most of whom are on VHF. However, that is in the process of changing.

Dennis says that after seven years of waiting, Thai hams are once again able to test for a license that gives them operating privileges on the High Frequency bands. According to K7BV some 40 applicants have already passed the new exam this year and at least one more test is schedule before years end.

Photos of the presentation of the new Yaesu transceivers can be seen at tinyurl.com/yaesu-thailand-radios (K7BV)

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RADIO LAW: EUROPEAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDS NEW SHARED SPECTRUM PLAN

The European Commission has unveiled plans to deal with the exponential growth in mobile and wireless data traffic. This, by enabling wireless technologies, including broadband, to share the use of the radio spectrum with other services.

The European Commission notes that with new technologies it is possible to share radio spectrum among several users such as internet providers or use the spectrum available between TV frequencies for other purposes.

The Commission says that national spectrum regulation often does not reflect the new technical possibilities, leaving mobile and broadband users at risk of poor service as demand grows. It also prevents a single market for investment in such communications growth. Because of this the Commission believes that a coordinated European approach to sharing spectrum will lead to greater mobile network capacity, cheaper wireless broadband, and new markets such as tradable secondary rights for a given spectrum allocation.

The proposal is 12 pages long and does not seem to exclude any service from the possibility of sharing spectrum with another. What impact this proposal might eventually have on amateur radio operations across Europe is at this point unknown. You can download the proposal in PDF format at tinyurl.com/european-shared-spectrum. (Southgate)

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INTRUDER WATCH: RADIO BANGLADESH VACATES 7.105 MHZ

Some good news for users of the low end of 40 meters. The Radio Society of Great Britain reports that Radio Bangladesh has left 7 point 105 MHz after the broadcaster finished its experimental transmissions and is now using 7 dot 250 MHz in the shared portion of the band.

The move is likely due to the many amateur radio operators world wide who reported the infringement on the band. Particular thanks go to the German telecommunications authority which filed the official complaints to Radio Bangladesh. (GB2RS)

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RADIO PROPAGATION: SOLAR CME HITS EARTH ON SEPTEMBER 3RD

If you were wondering about the strange band conditions this past week you can blame it on old Sol. This after a Coronal Mass Ejection or C-M-E hit Earth's magnetic field on at approximately 1200 UTC on Monday, September 3rd.

According to Spaceweather.com the impact induced measurable ground currents in the soil of northern Scandinavia and sparked bright auroras around the Arctic Circle. In fact, at the time the alert was issued, a moderately strong geomagnetic storm that lasted several days was underway.

For current and future information on what the Sun is up to and how it might affect radio propagation here on Earth, simply take your web browser to spaceweather.com for the very latest updates. (Spaceweather)

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RADIO HISTORY: CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF STANDARDIZED RADIO PREFIXES

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the use of ITU callsign prefixes, special event station PB-100-PREFIX will be on the air between October 4th and the 31st.

The back story on the standardization of calls came following the loss of the ocean liner Titanic in April of 1912. The Titanic used the call letters MGY with the "M" representing the Marconi company.

As a result there was an acknowledgement that there should be international standards for radio communications. This lead to several international meetings in the aftermath of the Titanic's sinking and the emergence of the callsign prefix system that has evolved into what we have today.

For more details, visit on this special commemorative operation please take your web browser to www.PB100PREFIX.nl. And if you make contact with PB100PREFIX QSL via PB0P. (OPDX)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: GROUGH ISLAND "SLIM"

Hams making contact with a station signing ZD5KN on Gough Island will not be getting any credit for the contact. This is because Zed-D-9-K-N is what DX'ers call a "slim" or a "pirate" operation.

According to the Ohio Penn DX Newsletter several sources report that ZS1A, has confirmed that the callsign ZD9KN has never been issued. As such the advice being given is to not waste time working this station if you happen to hear him.

But there is some good news regarding this rather rare entity. Word is that ZS6KX will be going to Gough Island sometime this month and will be there for a year. He is hoping to be issued the callsign ZD9KX and is waiting for the approval of his license. No QSL route has yet been announced so look for more details to be forthcoming. And we will have more DX related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report.

(OPDX)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Alaska Morning Net serving America's final frontier.

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RESTRUCTURING: NEW RULES AND MORE SPECTRUM FOR PHILIPPINE HAMS

Restructuring has come to ham radio in the Philippines. This according to an announcement by the Philippines Amateur Radio Association which says that following meetings between the Amateur Radio Consultative Panel and the National Telecommunications Commission or NTC, numerous changes to that nations amateur service have been enacted. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, is in Nelson, New Zealand with more:

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As reported by Philippines Amateur Radio Association that organization has now been officially recognized by the National Telecommunications Commission as the nations only national amateur radio organization with the NTC to maintaining a database of licensees that will be made available in the public domain.

Under the revised rules an applicant for a Philippine amateur license who passes an exam but does not own a radio will be given an operator certificate with his own call sign. Also a new entry level Foundation License or Class D certificate with VHF-only privileges has been created with a minimum age requirement of 9 years. And in the area of administering Philippine Amateur Service exams, new question pool and oversight committees have been officially organized.

One other very important change is that the NTC will now allow Philippine radio amateurs what it calls convergence with the Internet. In other words it has authorized interconnects for operations such as Echolink, IRLP and other VoIP operations.

Lastly, hams in the Philippines have been granted to some additional spectrum. Depending on license class, hams will be permitted to operate from 135.7 kHz to 137.8 kHz; 472 kHz to 479 kHz and 7.201 MHz to 7.300 MHz with Class B and Class C allowed to operate High Frequency mobile.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF.

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These changes to the Philippine Amateur Radio Service regulations came into effect on August 30th. More details can be found at www.para.org.ph/news.htm (PARA)

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ENFORCEMENT: THE VANISHED VENTURA UNLICENSED STATION BUSTED BY THE FCC

A follow up to a story from a few weeks ago involving an unlicensed station in Ventura, California, on 89.7 MHz that called itself KSSR, The Peoples Radio. It has now been established that this station has been busted by the FCC with a Notice of Unlicensed Operation issued to the station itself as well as to the property owners that hosted it. Amateur Radio Newslines Jim Damron, N8TMW, reports:

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In a pair of letters dated August 14th the FCC notified the station as an entity well as property owners John and Lisa Darby that KSSR was found to be operating without a license and must leave the air immediately. Both letters also advised the recipients that they had ten days from the date of the notice to respond with any evidence that they have authority to operate granted by the FCC.

The notices said that the FCC staff will use all relevant material information before it to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure your compliance with FCC Rules. This will include any information that the station management or the property owners disclose in their reply.

This notification from the FCC ends speculation that perhaps the pirate saw private DF'ing activity taking place and voluntarily suspended operations. But the station my have had the final word. As of August 26th the unlicensed stations website carried the following message: "Due to unforeseen circumstances KSSR had the leave the FM airwaves for a while."

Whether that means the station operator plans to return to the airwaves at a later date or is just a smug way of bidding its audience a fond farewell, is unknown. But if the FCC has its way, the unlicensed KSSR will never be heard on the Ventura, California airwaves, ever again.

>From Charleston West Virginia, Im Jim Damron, N8TMW reporting.

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As is normal in these cases both the station and the property owner were give the customary 30 days to file a response. (CGC, FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: SUFFOLK COUNTY NY SEEKS DONATION OF TRAILER

New York's Suffolk County Radio Club is seeking a donation of a mid-sized trailer to continue its Emergency Communications Field work. This after its present communications vehicle has become unusable due to its age.

For those not aware, the Suffolk County Radio Club was established in 1947 and is the oldest radio club on Long Island. Its members provide free manpower as a public service for special events in addition to

their volunteer emergency communications during disasters such as hurricanes and wildfires.

If you have a covered trailer in the 12 by 8 foot category that you would consider donating, please contact club Vice President, Jim Fehling, N2JFD by telephone at area code 631-926-4370. Or you can e-mail him to n2jfdny (at) gmail (dot) com. (Suffolk Radio Club)

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RADIO TRAGEDY: COLORADO HAM RADIO OPERATOR AND WIFE DIE FROM INJURIES SUFFERED IN CAR COLLISION

A Colorado Springs, Colorado, ham radio operator and his wife who were involved in an automobile accident on their way home from church have died from their injuries. This, after their car was broadsided by a driver alleged to have been going the wrong way down a one-way street. Amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details on this tragic event:

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According to police reports, Teddy Allison, N0NKG and his wife Mary Ann were in their Saturn headed home from church services at about 10:45 a.m. on Sunday, August 12th. That's when a Chevrolet Malibu, driven by 18 year old Khalil Sanders allegedly drove the wrong way on a one-way street, entered an intersection without stopping and slammed into the Allison's car.

The couple was taken to the hospital, both in critical condition. Teddy Allison, who was age 67, died on August 15th. Mary Ann Allison succumb to her injuries on August 18th.

Khalil Sanders was also taken to the hospital and was treated and later released. Police continue to investigate the crash and are still determining what charges, if any, he potentially faces.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, I the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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Teddy Allison, N0NKG, was an electronics technician at Hewlett Packard and Mary Ann Allison was a homemaker and accountant at Young life. The Allison's had just celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on July 7th. (N0RDC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ARRL SUMMER SECTION MANAGER ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED

Some new faces and some old ones are returning to the ARRL Field Operations arena. This following the counting of ballots in this years Section Manager elections.

In the North-East, ARRL Connecticut Section Manager Betsey Doane, K1EIC, was re-elected to another term. Meantime John Mueller, K2BT, won out as the new Western New York Section Manager.

Also, Puerto Rico will be getting a new Section Manager in Rene Fonseca, NP3O, of the city of Fajardo. Fonseca will be taking over from Roberto Jiminez, KP4AC, who has served as Section Manager since 2007 but decided not to run for another term of office.

All elected start their new terms on October 1st. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K3EST RETIRES FROM DIRECTOR OF CQWW DX CONTEST

Some names in the news. CQ Magazine has announced that Bob Cox, K3EST, has retired as Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest and as CQ's Director of Contesting. Cox has been at the helm of the CQ World Wide DX contest for 35 years. During his tenure he guided the competition through numerous changes in technology and growth to become the world's most popular amateur radio contest. Cox's retirement is effective immediately. A successor has not yet been named. (CQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: MIKE BAXTER KA0XTT OF LAST MAN STANDING GETS NEW ANTENNA FARM

According to a posting on Facebook by the lead character of the situation comedy Last Man Standing, as soon as it get closer to the shows season two premiere of Friday, November 2nd, they will be holding a combined HF, VHF, UHF and D-Star ham radio operating event. This will put all of the amateur radio gear used on the show and the licensed staff members on the air for you to contact.

The shows producer is John Amodeo, NN6JA. He has just uploaded to Facebook close to a dozen photos of the new outdoor antenna installation on the roof of the Studio City, California sound stage where the Last Man Standing is recorded. If you are on Facebook you can see them by putting the words "Last Man Standing Season 2 Antenna Farm" into the search line at the top of any Facebook page.

For those of you who have not yet seen the show, Last Man Standing follows the adventures of Mike Baxter played by actor and comedian Tim Allen. Baxter's character is the director of marketing at an outdoor sporting goods store in Denver, Colorado, whose world is dominated by women. This is especially true at home with his wife and three daughters. His hobby turns out to be amateur radio with Baxter using the call letters KA0XTT. Last Man Standing airs on the ABC television network. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NASA ANNOUNCES OPPORTUNITIES FOR CUBESAT LAUNCHES

Want to put a small satellite into orbit? Well now is your chance providing the bird you want to launch meets some specific criteria. Amateur Radio Newslines Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has the details:

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NASA is seeking proposals for small satellite payloads to fly on rockets planned to launch between 2013 and 2016. These miniature spacecraft, known as CubeSats, could be auxiliary payloads on previously planned missions or on yet to be announced orbital opportunities.

CubeSats are a class of research spacecraft called nano-satellites. These cube-shaped satellites are approximately four inches long, have a volume of about one quart and weigh less than three pounds.

Proposed CubeSat investigations must be consistent with NASA's Strategic Plan and the NASA education vision and goals. The research must address aspects of science, exploration, technology development, education or operations.

Applicants must submit proposals electronically by 4:30 p.m. EST, November 12th. NASA will select the payloads by next January 31st. Selection does not guarantee a launch opportunity but the selected spacecraft will be eligible for flight after final negotiations when a launch opportunity arises. It should be noted that NASA provides only a possible launch opportunity but it will not provide funding for the development of the small satellites.

Meantime from the first three launch initiatives, 64 payloads made the short list for launch opportunities between now and 2014. These satellites come from 25 states and are eligible for la ride to orbit pending an appropriate opportunity and final negotiations.

I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW.

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For additional information about NASA's CubeSat Launch Initiative program, visit go.nasa.gov/puk9K2 (NASA)

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WORLDBEAT: ZAMBIA MAKES READY FOR DIGITAL BROADCASTING

The Zambian government has issued 10 licenses and 16 construction permits to radio and TV stations in the country.

Those chosen are expected to switch to digital broadcasting before the 2013 deadline set by the Southern Africa Development Community.

According to the nations Minister of Information and Broadcasting Services, the move is intended to enhance participation in the affairs of the country, as well as offer people an opportunity to air their views on issues of national interest. (RW)

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ON THE AIR: COMMEMORATING THE LIBERATION OF KNOKKE BELGIUM

On the air, special event station ON44CLM will be operational from October 16th through November 15th in commemoration of the liberation of the town of Knokke in Belgium by the Canadian Army in 1944. The C-L-M suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March. More information is on-line at www.on44clm.be. (Southgate)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING THE DUBLIN BUS

Hams in Erin's Isle have taken to the air to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Dublin Bus with special event special event station E-I-25-D-B operational from now through June 30th of 2013. The station will be operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus Company led by EI9HQ and EI4GZB. QSL this operation to EI9HQ or electronically using either Logbook of the World or HamLog.eu. The Dublin Bus Company is a major public transportation supplier through out the city of Dublin, Ireland. (Southgate)

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ON THE AIR: VOODOO CONTEST CLUB TO BE ACTIVE FROM LIBERIA

For the 24th straight year look for the VooDoo Contest Group to again be active from Liberia between November 21st and the 27th. Operations will be from a location just South of Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. Their main goal is to be an entry in the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on November 24th and 25th as a Multi-Multi category using the callsign E-L-2-A. Outside of the contest the operators will use their own personal callsigns. QSL as directed by each operator. (OPDX)

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DX

In DX, SM1TDE will be active portable 5Z4 from Diani Beach, Mombasa, Kenya between November 5th and the 22nd. This will be a family vacation and activity will be limited to how much his XYL and kids allow. His operation will be on 40 through 10 meters on CW only. QSL via his home callsign, either direct, via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World.

JA7SGV is now operational as 9J2JA from Zambia. His length of stay is unknown. Activity has been on the 30, 20, 17 and 15 meters using CW only. QSL via his home callsign.

W4XP who was expected to be active now as VQ9XP from the club station VQ9X on Diego Garcia Atoll has been forced to cancel the operation. He says that this is because the station has been placed off-limits by the installation Commander.

PA0FAW will be operating PC12WSF through September 30th for the World Statues Festival in Arnhem in the Nethlands. Modes mentioned are CW, SSB and PSK. QSL to PA0FAW either direct, via the bureau or electronically via eQSL. This operation will not accept Logbook of the World confirmation requests.

Lastly, CT1FJZ will be working in Angola for the next year or so and will be operational on 80 through 10 meter SSB using the callsign D2FJZ. His activity will be mainly at the weekends but he will try to get on the air whenever possible during weekdays. QSL as directed on the air.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CONTROLLED CARRIER AM -SOMETHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN

And finally this week, an old modulation technology is making a comeback for A-M broadcast stations in a new and money saving way. Amateur Radio Newsline's George Bowen, W2XBS, has the details where something old is new again:

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Back in the days of full carrier A-M transmission one very popular and low cost way to put ones voice onto a carrier wave was to modulate the final power amplifier's screen grid. A variation on this that required no heavy modulation transformer was to vary the output power of the transmitter at an audio rate by varying the final amplifier's screen voltage at an audio rate. This system was called controlled carrier A-M and it was made very popular on the ham bands in the 1940's, 1950's and 1960's in such budget priced transmitters as the Heathkit DX-35, DX-40 and DX-60 to name only a few.

With the advent of single sideband transmission, full carrier A-M fell out of favor in the ham radio world but it has remained a staple in the broadcast industry and other services that want to get their message to the public. And now, carrier control modulation is making a comeback among broadcasters but not in the way it was done by radio amateurs of the past.

For broadcasters who spend 10's of thousands of dollars a year paying for electric service, the ability to raise and lower power levels can be a major cost cutting factor. And because of this a number of stations have received waivers from the FCC to experiment with several

new forms of carrier control technology.

In one instance, transmitter manufacturer Harris Broadcast and New York City powerhouse WOR-AM say they have had success with a power-saving Modulation Dependent Carrier Level algorithm. This with no effect on Arbitron Portable People Meter data encoding/decoding, the stations H-D Radio signal coverage or digital audio quality.

Harris engineers worked with Tom Ray, W2TRR , who is the Corporate Director of Engineering WOR AM in New York, to test the compatibility of two Harris Modulation-Dependent Carrier Level algorithms. Amplitude Modulation Companding provided the largest reduction in transmitter power consumption, by saving 37 percent in average AC power input to the transmitter. WOR estimated this translates up to a $3,000 per month savings on the electric bill at his New Jersey transmitter site.

So will this new form of Amplitude Modulation Companding bring back full carrier AM to the ham bands? While a tiny segment may decide to experiment with it more than likely SSB will remain the preferred voice system among ham radio operators world wide. At least until it's replaced by a digital voice system at sometime in the future.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm George Bowen, W2XBS, at the North East Bureau in Albany New York.

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Nautel, another transmitter manufacturer has estimated that a 50 kilowatt AM transmitter using this technology and operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week could easily save $20,000 a year or more in electricity costs. This based on modest electricity rates of 10 cents per kilowatt hour.

The complete story can be found on-line at
tinyurl.com/harris-modulation (RW)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org.

Before we go a reminder that we are continuing our survey to learn who still receive these newscasts over our 661-296-2407 dial in line rater than downloading the MP3 file from our website. If you are one of those who call in each week on the phone, please send us a note telling us who you are and the reason you are using telephone access rather than simply downloading the newscast from the Internet. Our address is

the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California, 91350. Or you can e-mail us at newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. We look forward to hearing from you.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1700. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 258

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 09:47:29 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <2FAC5FD43B7E4C969DDBE8A73E9CBC2F@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 2067
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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7 September 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

· FMTAG Proposals

· Rule for Nationals Woodskills Festival Award

· Doug Gorman Frequency Memorial Measuring Contest

>From HQ…Not a very big issue this week, so if you have any articles or events coming up, make sure you let me know by the Thursday prior to this being sent out. For the next issue date check the bottom of this issue.

During the week I attended some training held by RSM at the Ministry building in Wellington.

Our discussions soon ventured to the silent key call signs and the many that still appear in SMART. Even though RSM recently e-mailed, then posted to all amateurs a request to update their records, many went unanswered. In order for them to clearly identify whose call signs need to be removed, next week I will be posting out a special edition of HQ Infoline written predominantly by Jeff Hicks from RSM, regarding the reservation of call signs that have not been updated. A full list of all these call signs will be included.

We would appreciate when you see this list, if you can contact me as soon as possible so we can determine if the call signs are still active, or the holders have become silent keys.

On the official broadcast I advised that we are planning a membership promo to go out to all non-members of the Association. This was to have been organised for May this year, however due to time and call sign issues within SMART, NZART Council have approved this to go forward now in October this year.

The special offer of $49 for one year’s membership will run from 1 October 2012 to 31 December 2013. This will also include a CD Rom call book and the chance to win a hand held radio. Only those amateurs within New Zealand who have not belonged to the Association for 3 or more years, or have never been a member will be eligible to join with this offer.

While it looks like we are not considering members who have loyally contributed to the Association for a number of years, rest assured, if we are able to attract enough new comers to NZART, your subscriptions will not increase in the foreseeable future. Sadly we are in one of those no win situations, whereby not having enough members means the subs are almost unachievable for some.

I would like to offer once again…for any persons having a problem with coming up with a lump sum payment, the small price of $8.25 per month for 12 months, will not only ensure you keep all the benefits of belonging to your parent body, but also keep the much needed numbers of membership within the Association that it needs to continue to offer them.

Recently I had the unenviable task of contacting branches whose memberships fell below the requirements of the NZART Constitution. To put it plain and simply…NZART does not want to see these branches close. Merely to see if there is something that can be done to increase membership within your area, so that you can function more effectively and assist the Association at the same time.

I have received calls and letters from some of the branches I wrote to, horrified that NZART would consider such a thing, but if we can help you to encourage your branch members to belong to this important organisation, then it will benefit us all.

My sincere apologies if branches felt this was unfair.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

FMTAG Proposals.

Branch 39 Tauranga Districts Amateur Radio Club Inc has applied for an inverted 70cm Repeater to be located at Papamoa Topo 50map reference BD894.13 184.87.

The transmit frequency will be 433.025MHz and the receive frequency will be 438.025.

Branch 34 South Canterbury has applied for a 144.575 MHz Digipeater on Mount Studholme, located at TOPO50 CA18 352.25 531.31. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations. Branch 63 Upper Hutt has applied for a 6-metre Repeater on Mount Climie, located at TOPO50 BP32 798.83 423.94. The repeater transmit frequency will be 53.950 MHz and the receive frequency 52.950 MHz. An engineering investigation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, confirms that there will be no interference to other stations.Branch 39 Tauranga Districts Amateur Radio Club Inc has applied for an inverted 70cm Repeater to be located at Papamoa, Topo50map reference BD894.13 184.87.The transmit frequency suggested is 433.025MHz and the receive frequency is 438.025MHz.

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, by email to: <fmtag@nzart.org.nz>

Thanks

73
David Andrews
Chair FMTAG

Rules for National Woodskills Festival Award 1st to 14th September 2012

Members of Kawerau Branch will be available on the Awards net 3.677 each night at 8pm and also available on the repeaters and National system.

Contacts with Kawerau Branch 67 on any band i.e. HF, VHF, National System. Ten points required for ZL applicants (five for DX Stations) may be accumulated as follows:

1.. ZL1KW worth 5 points, Branch President Barry ZL1CAY and Kel ZL1ASL vice President worth 3 points, any other branch member worth 1 point.
2.. Award is available to all Amateur Operators or SWLs who accumulate 10 points or 5 points if DX.
3.. The Award application containing a copy of Log details or SWLs name and address plus $5 fee to be received by the Awards manager Branch 67 no later than November 1st 2012

Applications for the award to:
Awards Manager Branch 67 NZART
C/- Bev Osborne ZL1OS
34 Cobham Drive
Kawerau 3127 New Zealand

Doug Gorman Frequency Memorial Measuring Contest

Monday 1st October 2012 at 2100 NZST

The date of the Doug Gorman Memorial Frequency Measuring Contest has been shifted to Monday 1st October for 2012.

The 60th annual NZART Doug Gorman Frequency Measuring Contest will be held slightly later this year than usual on Monday 1st October 2012 at 2100 NZST.

Details will be posted on the NZART webpage.

- 73 de John ZL4JY

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Sept 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body

of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy.
All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Sept 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 30th September. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 21st September 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 20th September 2012.

You have received this message because you are subscribed on an NZART infoline list.

If you wish to be removed from this list, please visit:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

1701. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 6 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 11:05:25 UTC
From: King Turnip <mike.gathergood@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <1f317a9e-f079-4303-a6e7-b9ed97e03ae0@rq1g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2068
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Sep 6, 1:08 pm, King Turnip <mike.gatherg...@googlemail.com> wrote:
> On Sep 6, 12:05 pm, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
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> <newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
> > Andy HP/W5ACM/MM has posted a report on the amateur radio APRS buoy KT5TK-8
> > released off the West coast, just south of Canadian waters
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> It appears to be parked outside Macey's on the corner of Howell Street
> and Court Place, in Seattle at the moment?

Still there. Maybe it's been wheelclamped?

1702. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 7 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 11:16:20 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934080b158e1504c91abcc4@google.com>
Source record: 2069
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Newly Licenced Foundation Holders

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pnc3cjqCUgo/newly_licenced_foundation_holders.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

WIA Director Ewan VK4ERM shares his thoughts about newly licenced amateur radio Foundation holders

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TT8TT Chad DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BMhfN9F9fOQ/tt8tt_chad_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Italian Dxpedition Team will be active as TT8TT from N'Djamena between October 3-16th

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Old QSL Collection

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aTB6ufVRtGc/old_qsl_collection.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jean Michel, F6AJA, wants to remind everyone to visit the Les Nouvelles DX (LNDX) Web page to see more than 10000 old QSL cards in several different albums/galleries

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Advice sought on antenna for Uganda op

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9bNqW0z76oM/advice_sought_on_uganda_op.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Nick, G3RWF/5X1NH, announced this past week he is "considering how best to get 160 on the air as it is the only band I have not worked and reckon there must be un-met need!"

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CEPT WG SE24 - Short Range Devices

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/20ZUrTjOSHs/cept_wg_se24_short_range_devices.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Topics at the 66th meeting of Working Group SE24, Short Range Devices, included wideband 13.56 MHz and more spectrum for SRD's at UHF and in the 2.3 (MBANS) and 5.76 GHz amateur radio bands

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ARLA Pedestrian Mobile Radio Raid

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tlOsAxKvqNE/arla_pedestrian_mobile_radio_raid.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2nd ARLA Pedestrian Mobile Radio Raid will take place next Sunday, September 9th, from 09:00 to 13:00 UTC in Sintra Mountains or locally the Serra de Sintra in western Portugal to its highest point is (1,736 feet [529 m])

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Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FDvZf1hjn5w/global_disaster_alert_and_coordination_system.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System (GDACS) aims to provide up-to-date media coverage, latest maps and ReliefWeb content related to disasters

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Achill Henge CASHOTA Activation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/shhERQsUU9s/achill_henge_cashota_activation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Galway VHF Group will be activating Achill Henge on Sunday the 16th of September from 11 am - 3 pm and active on 80, 40 and 20 metres

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Western Blacksea Lighthouses On The Air Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Vh-X-2kfL8k/western_blacksea_lighthouse

s_on_the_air_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next and last operations for this award will take place in September.
In mid-September look for TC6GLH from Sinop Gerze Lighthouse and the last
activation will be TC2ZLH from Zonguldak Lighthouse at the end of September

1703. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 7 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 16:42:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404f356e6c004c91f4b82@google.com>
Source record: 2070
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Blue Ridge Bonanza ~ September 15

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 08:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360578-Blue-Ridge-Bonanza-September-15&goto=newpost

September 15th- SPECIAL EVENT for the Roanoke Valley Amateur Radio Club-----Blue Ridge Bonanza 1300z till 2100z.

The object of this is for you to contact ALL 5 of the stations. If you only contact 4 but contact the "Special" Station it will be treated as a wildcard. You can earn a QSL card from W4CA if you have 1 QSO and send us a QSL card. If you have 5 confirmed stations you will get a nice certificate. You can go all 20M, all 40M, or even a mix of the 2. Remember this year it is ONLY 1 DAY. GOOD LUCK!!

Special Event Stations

Milepost

Location

Frequency

40M/20M

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Rockfish Gap, VA

7.228/14.228

86
Peaks of Otter, VA

7.248/14.248

120
Roanoke Mountain, VA

7.253/14.253

169
Rocky Knob, VA

7.258/14.258

189
Groundhog Mtn., VA

7.263/14.263

306
Grandfather Mountain, NC (Special Station)

7.283/14.283

For more information visit www.w4ca.com

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Please vote for the grids(EM24 or EM32) for next summer's DX
expedition/vacation

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 10:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360515-Please-vote-for-the-grids(EM24-or-EM32)-for-ne
xt-summer-s-DX-expedition-vacation&goto=newpost

Am starting the planning for next summer's DX expedition. Am looking at
EM24(Beavers Bend Park or Ouachita National Forest) and EM32av(family farm
in NW Louisiana). Will be working 6m and, possibly, 10m.

Please vote on what grid is the most desired.

Thanks,

1704. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 7 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 16:42:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8510147d4504c91f4c37@google.com>
Source record: 2071
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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AMSAT Mission to MARS*: HamRadioNow Episode 19

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 07:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360486-AMSAT-Mission-to-MARS*-HamRadioNow-Episode-19&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 19: AMSAT Mission to Mars*

AMSAT has some big plans. Going to Mars? Well, it's on the table. And although when we're

talking about AMSAT, we never really say anything is "down to earth," there are some more

immediate projects. Like controlling a remote vehicle with commands relayed from the ISS (think

Curiosity Rover... hmmm, that Mars thing keeps creeping in).

AMSAT's President Barry Baines WD4ASW stopped by the HamRadioNow 'studio' at the

Shelby NC Hamfest last weekend for a quick chat with KN4AQ. When they finished, almost an

hour later, everyone around them had closed their booths and headed to dinner! Another

in-depth HamRadioNow interview is waiting for you.

Watch this episode at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

*AMSAT going to Mars? Yes - the German arm of AMSAT has active plans to test

a satellite designed for Mars orbit. This won't win you the Elser-Mathes cup, but it's a start!

Episode 18:

ARRL Heading West, CQ on Hams at 100, and

Hams Cheat in CQ Contest Scoring

We didn't promote Episode 18 here on QRZ.com (don't want to wear out our welcome... but thanks, QRZ!),

so let's catch up. This episode comes out of the Huntsville Hamfest. Gary and Jeff talk to the ARRL's Bob Inderbitzen

NQ1R about several things, including the upcoming ARRL National Convention in the San Francisco area in October.

And they chat with CQ Magazine editor Rich Moseson W2VU about the lack of excitement over the 100th

anniversary of the most specific date anyone can point to regarding the beginning of Amateur Radio

(the Radio Act of 1912), and CQ's plans to speed up contest reporting and publication. Part of the reason

for the speed-up? To make it harder to cheat by massaging your score after looking at other published logs.

Hams cheating on contests? We're shocked... shocked!

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and 'click the pig'

1705. [RAC-Bulletin] {EMCOMM] Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the CanadianHurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 1:48 PM ADT Friday

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-07 18:31:41 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <4FD244C9.3090006@rac.ca>
Source record: 2072
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

WOCN31 CWHX 071745 Tropical cyclone information statement updated by
the Canadian Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 1:48 PM ADT
Friday 7 September 2012.

Tropical cyclone information statement for: Labrador Newfoundland Nova
Scotia Prince Edward Island. For tropical storm Leslie. The next
statement will be issued by 9:00 AM ADT Saturday. Leslie weakening
just below hurricane strength. Still much Uncertainty if weather
impacts will reach Canada.

Tropical cyclone information statement ended for: New Brunswick.
Probability of Leslie's influence in New Brunswick is very low At this
point. However general information statements will Continue to be
issued at WWW.HURRICANES.CA.

==discussion== The Canadian Hurricane Centre continues to monitor the
evolution of Leslie. The storm remains parked over the cold water
which it has stirred up. This has resulted in winds dropping below
hurricane force based on hurricane hunter aircraft data this morning.
Leslie should still regain hurricane strength when it eventually
moves, unless it stirs up even cooler water for a longer period. Most
of the computer models still show a slow northward movement with
acceleration early next week. However - as mentioned and now observed
- the computer models are known to have difficulty simulating these
ocean feedback effects and situations where the atmospheric steering
currents are very weak. It is uncertain if Leslie will even strengthen
to category 2 status given the latest developments - but the storm is
quite large with an extensive area of rainfall, cloud cover and large
waves. In general, the threat of Leslie on Nova Scotia has been
decreasing but still enough to bear watching. The possibility of some
impact in Newfoundland is greater, but still necessarily low (about
30%) for the Tuesday to Wednesday time-frame next week. This may seem
contradictory to the official track forecast which depicts the storm
center just south of the Avalon Peninsula early Wednesday. However the
position only represents an average of an unusually broad range. Stay
tuned to our updates for the trend in the track and discussions. One
of The Key weather features that will tell the tale is the behaviour
of a (easier-to-predict) trough of low pressure now approaching the
Great Lakes. This feature is forecast to slowly intensify and move
southeastward over the weekend. During the early part of next week the
computer models are predicting that the trough will "pick up" the
hurricane and drive it northward. There could be a front merging with

the storm and drawing moisture northward along it. However, all this is contingent on the timing of the trough and position of the tropical storm/hurricane. Much smaller but more intense hurricane Michael over 2000 kilometres east of Leslie now, will also move very slowly and is currently not expected to affect Eastern Canada. Leslie and Michael will likely draw closer to each other over the next several days. Since Leslie is much larger, its possible impact on Michael would likely be to shear-apart its upper clouds and acellerate it northward away from Leslie. A true merging of the hurricanes is not expected based on their differing sizes. But experience with this sort of situation is limited and we will certainly monitor it. Moderate surf conditions related to Leslie will persist along south-facing coastlines of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland throughout the next several days. If near the water, exercise caution knowing that wave heights can vary significantly over a span of several minutes and that rip currents can develop at local beaches. Incident wave heights near 2 metres (7 feet) may break at the shore at heights near 3 metres (10 feet). The Canadian Hurricane Centre will continue issuing these general information statements today and Saturday with more detailed track forecasts possibly beginning early Sunday. Visit WWW.WEATHEROFFICE.GC.CA/HURRICANE/TRACK_E.HTML (all in lower case) for the latest hurricane track map. Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings issued by Environment Canada for your area. END/FOGARTY

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1706. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 7 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 02:33:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399031430e2204c9278d6c@google.com>
Source record: 2073
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio classes planned - HollandSentinel.com

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 03:14 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHLjwa_fQD2hGAKp-iyvx_3sbYWAQ&url=http://www.hollandsentinel.com/news/x2107491390/Ham-radio-classes-planned

Ham radio classes planned
HollandSentinel.com
People interested in becoming amateur radio operators ("hams") can study and test for a technician-class license in a single day, according to the the Holland Amateur Radio Club. The club will host a "Ham License in a Day" class starting at 1 p.m. Sept.
Amateur Radio and Youth:eHam.net

all 2 news articles

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Somerset man fights for right to place ham radio device on school property - Daily American Online

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 06:47 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFXGyklnGAe8xjGt6PWk9Lm5cypFA&url=http://www.dailyamerican.com/news/somerset/da-ot-somerset-man-wants-to-put-antenna-on-school-property-20120907,0,1270754.story

Somerset man fights for right to place ham radio device on school property
Daily American Online
A lawsuit filed by Richard Gibbs, Sherwood Drive, against Somerset Area School District asking the court to enforce his right to hang a ham radio device on Eagle View Elementary School property will move forward. Gibbs conducts his ham radio operation ...

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ARRL Operating Manual 10th Edition - ARRL

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 06:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFQFfl9Ndzf-HZW6C_B2HZDQ9v_Ng&url=http://www.arrl.org/shop/ARRL-Operating-Manual-10th-Edition/?page%3D1

ARRL Operating Manual 10th Edition
ARRL
The ARRL Operating Manual for Radio Amateurs is the most complete guide to Amateur Radio operating. For decades, this ARRL flagship title has been

recognized by radio amateurs as the trustworthy source of everything you need to know about ham radio ...

and more

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Ham radio classes offered in West Fargo - In-Forum

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 12:12 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEIKk7Z06DpyzzFrCqvjHNgX0PUQw&url=http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/373528/group/homepage/

Ham radio classes offered in West Fargo
In-Forum
WEST FARGO – The Red River Radio Amateurs will host an amateur ham radio class for those seeking a general class license from 7 to 8:45 p.m. eight consecutive Wednesdays evenings beginning Sept. 19 at the West Fargo Public Library. By: Forum staff ...

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Skywarn Storm Spotters class coming up - Sun-Sentinel (blog)

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 08:45 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFXiMFnl1NtCs-y2QROCsdGOPu2Zw&url=http://www.sun-sentinel.com/news/local/crime/crime-safety-blog/sfl-skywarn-storm-spotters-class-20120907,0,4514519.story?track%3Drss

Skywarn Storm Spotters class coming up
Sun-Sentinel (blog)
The training may appeal to Community Emergency Response Team volunteers; amateur [HAM] radio operators; Red Cross volunteers; firefighters, students and amateur weather watchers. Attendees should be 14 or older and accompanied by an adult; able ...

1707. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 06:10:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd8bf37f42704c92a935b@google.com>
Source record: 2074
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Sixth Annual Sacramento Valley Hamfest Space - Saturday the 8th - Lincoln, CA

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 11:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360633-Sixth-Annual-Sacramento-Valley-Hamfest-Space-Saturday-the-8th-Lincoln-CA&goto=newpost

Sixth Annual Sacramento Valley Hamfest

Saturday the 8th - McBean Park, Lincoln, CAThe WPARC Sacramento Valley Hamfest is now in its sixth year. The event has proven to be very popular with both vendors and buyers and is growing every year. We have vendors who come from as far away as Los Angeles and buyers from around the region. The event is limited to ham related items for sale or trade. The club will hold periodic drawings during the Hamfest and there are several valuable prizes including a grand prize of a base station radio (brand and model to be announced soon). Tickets for the drawing will be sold throughout the morning and you need not be present to win. Food will be available. The gates open at 0700 hours.

Check out the club web site at http://www.wparc.us

1708. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 11:07:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51823eca7830504c92ebb07@google.com>
Source record: 2075
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Surrey Satellite Technology Engineer murdered

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-MXMNWhn0JQ/surrey_satellite_technology_engineer_murdered.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC report that Saad Al-Hilli, a mechanical design engineer at SSTL,
has been formally identified as one of the victims of the shootings which
occurred in the French Alps

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GB2012MV satellite contact with ON5NY via FO29

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HZ9Gyg05j7E/gb2012mv_satellite_contact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Olympic special event station GB2012MV was active on the amateur radio
satellites. This video shows a contact with ON5NY via FO29

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Packet Radio at Hacker Toorcamp 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MPBfTTAh_Vk/packet_radio_at_hacker_toorcamp_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows radio ham Rob Eby KE7LEF talking about amateur radio AX.25
packet radio to the American Hacker Camp Toorcamp 2012

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Ham Radio is Awesome!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Zl7glvC8uLQ/ham_radio_is_awesome.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Burns Science and Technology Academy has been approved by NASA for the
students to talk to astronauts aboard the International Space station (ISS)

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YuEyJp0TzmI/036_september_08.htm?utm_so

urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A surprising jump in solar activity occurred this week. Average daily
sunspot numbers rose nearly 55 points (about 74%) to 128.7

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YuEyJp0TzmI/036_september_08.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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833 km Ham Radio contact on 10 GHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4mpKhEcFw5o/833_km_ham_radio_contact_on
_10ghz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows an amateur radio SSB contact in the 10 GHz band between
G4ALY and EA1BLA over a distance of 833 km

1709. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 12:14:04 UTC
From: MM3QRO/MM <mm3qro@yjahoo.com>
Message-ID: <k2fcqc$550$1@news.albasani.net>
Source record: 2076
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed wrote:

QUESTION:

is it still a condition of a GB-special event station,
that the location be accessible to the public?

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1710. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 16:32:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404f307811204c93344a4@google.com>
Source record: 2077
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Windfarm Developers: Amateur Operators Can Use 'Alternative Frequencies'.

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 03:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360589-Windfarm-Developers-Amateur-Operators-Can-Use-Alternative-Frequencies&goto=newpost

Of interest to UK amateurs, where wind energy is currently undergoing a
huge boom, will be this statement by developers RWE Innogy:

'Amateur radio operators have a variety of ways to improve

radio system performance. These are mostly associated with

changes to aerials and radio equipment or increasing

transmitted power levels.'

which goes on to state that, as RWE's view of how amateurs should cope with
any interference by using:

'...alternative amateur radio frequencies or technologies'

That's nice. Legally licensed operators working protected bands can take a
hike, or pay - if they get planning permission - to erect bigger, higher
antennas! All terrbily realistic, I'm sure.

The problem is that the law does not protect us from path interference by
physical structures, just interference arising from other sources.

Anyone with concerns can submit their views, as I did, using the forms
found here.

The document from which the above statements are taken can be found here.

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Ham Nation 63: Phased Dipoles, Build a Shortwave Receiver, More

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 09:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360582-Ham-Nation-63-Phased-Dipoles-Build-a-Shortwave-Receiver-More&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 63 is available at http://twit.tv/hn

A great demonstration of Bob's phased 75 meter dipoles, Don's video of
hurricane Isaac damage, Gordon talks about what you need in the ham shack,
George starts building a shortwave radio, the Icom/Comet/Diamond Mobile

Contest and more.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1830 September 7 2012

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 07:33 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360567-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1830--September-7-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1830 ☐ September 7 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1830 with a release date of September 7 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds to a typhoon in Korea and an earthquake in the Philippines. Also, Yaesu donates a pair of FT-2000 transceivers to help rebuild a flood ravaged national society station in Thailand; the European Commission proposes an all out spectrum sharing plan; a shortwave transmitter in Bangladesh vacates the amateur exclusive section of 40 meters and an old modulation technique makes a money saving comeback for commercial broadcasters. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1830 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: IARU REGION 3 HAMS RESPOND TO TWIN DISASTERS

A powerful storm called Typhoon Bolaven battered Korea on August 27th and 28. Then on August 31st a major earthquake occurred off the coast of the Philippines. Responding to both disasters were ham radio operators equipped to provide emergency communication. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, reports:

1711. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 16:46:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec511e3846a826804c933758c@google.com>
Source record: 2078
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Atlanta-based team of hams heading to activate Sand Island Lighthouse,
Dauphin Island

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 10:25 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360627-Atlanta-based-team-of-hams-heading-to-activate
-Sand-Island-Lighthouse-Dauphin-Island&goto=newpost

Plans are complete for the Atlanta-based team of hams heading to activate
Sand Island Lighthouse, Dauphin Island, Alabama, on September 25-30. This
will activate a lighthouse (ARLHS USA-723) and a rarely activated island
(IOTA NA-213). The team has members from several clubs in the Atlanta
area and consists of Ricky K4JTT (team leader), Steve Knittle KC4YBO, Tim
Lemon WK4U, Ernie Braxton KJ4VUX, John Powell KI4IYC, James Rogers N4DU,
and Joe Grimes WD4FGB. Expedition special event call sign is K4D.

CW: 7.040, 10.115, 14.040, 18.098, 21.040, 24.920 and 28.040

SSB: 7.250, 14.250 to 14.260 (main), 21.350, 28.450

Digital: 7.035.15; 10.142.15; 14.070.15

In general, digital and CW will not be on the same band at the same time.
For 40m, every effort will be made by the team to stay some distance away
from the 40m QRP frequency of 7.030

For the past two years the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club (KARC) has
sponsored teams to activate an IOTA / Lighthouse Island Expedition. The
objective of these events is foster community involvement, bring
excitement to a new level of HF operation, and most of all have fun.
These events have been a memorable experience and have logged QSO's in
excess of 4000. Some of the achievements have been Working 50+ countries,
Worked All States, and Worked all Continents. In addition, the teams
worded over 400 prefixes and twenty-two zones.

Sponsors for this year's activation include Yaesu who will be supply the
radios and Alpha Delta who will provide the antennas. A special call,
K4D, has been assigned by the FCC for this activation. Updated
information can be found on www.w4bti.org.

All QSO's will be confirmed with a 4 color card through the bureau or
directly to the address shown at www.qrz.com. The logs will be uploaded to
LOTW and eQSL.cc.

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15-16 September - CIS DX PSK63 Contest

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 09:02 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360617-15-16-September-CIS-DX-PSK63-Contest&goto=newpost

The European PSK Club has the honour to invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the CIS DX PSK Contest 2012. The objective of the contest is to establish as many QPSK63 contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world and radio amateurs in the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). Everybody can work everybody for QSO and multiplier credit. Every station can be contacted once per band. The operator may change the bands without any restrictions.

The CIS DX PSK Contest is held every year on the third weekend of September. This year it starts at 12:00 UTC on Saturday 15th September, 2012 and ends at 12:00 UTC on Sunday 16th September, 2012.

All contacts should be made by using QPSK63 mode (Quadrature Phase Shift Keying at 62.5 Baud Rate). According to the EPC HF Band Plan it is recommended to use the following frequencies for contacts during the contest:

160 (1.838 - 1.840)

80 (3.582 - 3.585)

40 (7.042 - 7.044)

20 (14.072 - 14.075)

15 (21.072 - 21.075)

10 (28.072 - 28.075)

All operators may change bands at any time.

more info - RULES: http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?optio...371&Itemid=282

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RT 66 on the Air SPECIAL EVENT -Starts Sept 8th at 00:00Z -LET THE PILEUPS BEGIN!!!!

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 09:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360581-RT-66-on-the-Air-SPECIAL-EVENT-Starts-Sept-8th-at-00-00Z-LET-THE-PILEUPS-BEGIN!!!!&goto=newpost

This, the 13th year of the RT 66 on the Air special event, will bring 17 stations and

3 mobiles all with W6_ calls, along Route 66 from Sept 8th(00:00Z) until Sept 16th-23:59Z.

You will have 9 full days to try to work them all.

Google "RT 66 on the Air" for all details. The host club is again, the fabulous Citrus Belt ARC in Barstow!

Our local Arizona club, the Northern Arizona DX Association, will offer a new twist to the event. Work

each of the 3 calls manned by the Northern Arizona DX Association(W6G -W6T & W6S) and send "each"

of those 3 different QSL managers a S.A.S.E. and receive 3 seperate QSLs that, when lined up side by side,

will show one continuous senic view of our area of RT 66. You can frame the mural for your wall and show the

results of your efforts in working these NADXA strations. It will make a nice momento. BUT don't forget,

try to work all of the stations involved and GET YOUR KICKS ON ROUTE 66!!

73

Bob, NF7E

Northern Arizona DX Assn

(ps: REMEMBER NO S.A.S.E---NO QSL)

DX= SEND $2 FOR EACH QSL

1712. SARL News in English 8/9/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 18:20:52 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <C575C75794A74C818E26E81F66C15716@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2079
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other newsreaders change to suit).

In the news today:

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUM

SARL YOUTH COUNCIL

ANOTHER SA CUBESAT ON THE CARDS

MTN RADIO AMATEURS OF THE YEAR AWARDS

CARRIER AM - SOMETHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN SAYS A AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE REPORT

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUM - LAST STOP CAPE TOWN

The last in the 2012 series of the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposiums will be held min Cape Town on 29 September 2012 at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology Bellville Campus. The full programme and registration forms are now available on www.sarl.org.za. Click on RTA or the link in the news update centre stage on the home page.

The programme offers some interesting presentations. Tony Voorveld is back with a presentation called "Tuning into Nature". He will focus on various electromagnetic phenomena that appear in nature. He will explain by discussion and demonstration how phenomena such as Solar Flares, Cosmic Rays and Lightning may be detected by amateur radio and amateur scientific equipment. He will also be discussing radio astronomy for the amateur. The presentation was highly acclaimed in

Durban and Gauteng where Tony presented.

Another Cape Town exclusive is a presentation and demonstration on MMANA, a freeware antenna simulation program by Raoul Coetzee, ZS1REC. You will learn how to simulate basic wire antennas, how to do impedance matching, tune for resonance and observe SWR and bandwidth curves to mention some facilities.

Last week's RTA in Port Elizabeth was also attended by a record number of radio amateurs following similar trends as RTA in the other cities. One of the highlights in Port Elizabeth was the Presentation on the SKA by Jason Manley of the SKA office in Cape Town.

The challenge is for the Western Cape radio amateurs to beat the Gauteng record of close to 100 participants. Please make use of the pre-booking facility and stand a change to win an ARRL Basic Antenna Book. Prebooking assures that we will have stock of the SDR 80 metre kit as well as the CD. It also will assist with catering. The booking form can be downloaded from www.sarl.org.za.

SARL YOUTH COUNCIL- YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED

Some time back the idea of creating a youth council to organize and manage youth events was proposed. The SARL is looking for volunteers from radio amateurs under 25 to put forward names for consideration. Here clubs can play an important part to nominate candidates. Send details such as name, callsign, age, address and email to secretary@sarl.org.za.

ANOTHER SA CUBESAT ON THE CARDS

Twenty Interns at the Denel Dynamics Engineering Academy of Learning are designing and building a CubeSat as part of their internship training. Denel Dynamic takes on up to 20 interns, students who have completed their engineering degree, masters or PhD. During the first year they spend half their time in the Academy and the other half in their designated departments. "The programme is aimed at exposing interns to a complete product development cycle", said Grant Wilson who leads the Academy. "Designing and building a CubeSat and developing a ground station to manage the satellite is an ideal project to achieve this."

The 20 strong Intern Project Team was split into three separate teams, each responsible for certain aspects of the project. Team Ground Zero is responsible for the ground station and radio frequency (RF) link components. Team Virtuoso is responsible for the cube structure and on-board computer; and Team Frodo is responsible for the payload, Attitude Control and Determination System (ADCS), and the launch. Read more about DynaCube on www.amasatsa.org.za.

MTN RADIO AMATEURS OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Here is an opportunity to recognize radio amateurs that has made a contribution to amateur radio. There are three categories:

GARTH MILNE TECHNICAL INNOVATION AWARD The award is made for the support, development and application of Technological Innovation in Amateur Radio in South Africa. The recipient will be a person who has promoted the use of technology in amateur radio at club level, nationally, at schools or a tertiary education institution.

MTN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARD The award is made for the support and development of the Amateur Radio Service in South Africa, not for individual achievements such as DXCC and other operational awards or contests. The recipient will be a person who has given of his or her expertise and time to the promotion of Amateur Radio in South Africa.

MTN AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD Annually the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust is recognising a radio amateur or a group of radio amateurs for service to the community.

Community service can be assistance to a handicapped radio amateur, communications support during a sporting event or a disaster situation like a road accident or a natural disaster like a flood, veld fires, or an earthquake. Nominations are invited for an individual or a group of people like a radio club, or an association.

Nomination forms are available on www.amateurradio.org.za or by sending a mail request to saardt@intekom.co.za. The closing date for nominations is 30 September.

CONTROLLED CARRIER AM - SOMETHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN SAYS AN AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE REPORT

Back in the days of full carrier AM transmission one very popular and low cost way to put one's voice onto a carrier wave was to modulate the final power amplifier's screen grid. A variation on this that required no heavy modulation transformer was to vary the output power of the transmitter at an audio rate by varying the final amplifier's screen voltage at an audio rate. This system was called controlled carrier AM and it was made very popular on the amateur bands during the 1940's to 1960's in such budget priced transmitters as the Heathkit DX-35, DX-40 and DX-60 to name only a few.

With the advent of single sideband transmission, full carrier AM fell out of favour in the amateur radio world but it has remained a staple in the broadcast industry and other services. And now, carrier control modulation is making a comeback among broadcasters but not in the way it was done by radio amateurs of the past.

For broadcasters who spend 10's of thousands of Rands a year paying for electricity, the ability to raise and lower power levels can be a major cost cutting factor. And because of this a number of stations have received waivers from the FCC to experiment with several new forms of carrier control technology.

In one instance, transmitter manufacturer Harris Broadcast and New York City Powerhouse WOR-AM say they have had success with a power-saving Modulation Dependent Carrier Level algorithm. This with no effect on Arbitron Portable People Meter data encoding/decoding, the stations H-D Radio signal coverage or digital audio quality.

Harris engineers worked with Tom Ray, W2TRR, who is the Corporate Director of Engineering WOR AM in New York, to test the compatibility of two Harris Modulation-Dependent Carrier Level algorithms. Amplitude Modulation Companding provided the largest reduction in transmitter power consumption, by saving 37 percent in average AC power input to the transmitter.

So will this new form of Amplitude Modulation Companding bring back full carrier AM to the amateur bands? While a tiny segment may decide to experiment with it more than likely SSB will remain the preferred voice system among amateur radio operators world wide. At least until it's replaced by a digital voice system at sometime in the future.

CONTEST NEWS

Boland Amateur radio club 40 m Sprint results: The July 2012 BARK sprint has drawn a total of 9 logs.

The winner of the competition was ZS3R with 80 points. In 2nd place was ZS6LH with 78 points and 3rd place went to ZS6APT with 77 points.

The various division winners were as follow: Division 2 - ZS2EC Division 3 - ZS3R Division 4 - ZS4BM Division 6 - ZS6LH

Certificates will soon be mailed the these winners.

No log sheets from Division 1 or 5 were received. Due to the poor participation in this competition, BARK has decided not to continue with this competition in the future.

2012 SARL HF CW Contest: The Contest Committee received twenty single operator logs and one check log for the CW Contest held on 26 August 2012. This is more than received for the 2011 contest.

Roger Jones, ZS6RJ, takes top honours with 116 points, followed by the West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, operarted by Joop, ZS6C, with 100 points and Barry Nugent, ZS2NF, with 94 points in third place.

Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, made the most points on a single band with his 80 points on 40 metres. In the Club competition, Pretoria ARC leads the pack with 176 points, followed by Boland ARC with 166 points and the West Rand ARC with 146 points.

After adding up the totals for the HF Phone, Digital and CW contests to get the combined results, Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A, takes the first place with 318 points, followed by Mitchel Mynhaardt, ZS6YH, on 288 points and Brendon Muller, ZS4BM, on 276 points.

The winner of the Club Competition is the East Rand Branch with 812 points followed by the West Rand ARC with 519 points and the Pretoria ARC with 399 points.

The full list of results is available in HF Happenings 521. Congratulations to all the winners. Well done!

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. Sunspot 1 564 remains a fairly large sunspot but there is only an isolated chance for M-class flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 85.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the increase in solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

10 September - Last day to enroll for the October RAE. 15 and 16 September - SARL VHF/UHF analogue and digital contest. 30 September - Nominations for MTN sponsored SAARDT awards to be in to saardt@intekom.co.za <mailto:saardt%40intekom.co.za> .

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Martin Schwella, ZS4MS, and edited George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1713. eHam.net News for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-08 22:28:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934098b291aa404c9383ee1@google.com>
Source record: 2080
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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DXers Taking a New Course in Azores, September 28-30, 2012:

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28949

It is often said that DXers only work DX. More recently, we have seen a healthy shift toward assisting the society they visit by helping locals become stronger in Amateur Radio. Something totally new is now happening in the CU-land - the Azores. In recent years, the Azores Islands have balanced their agriculture and livestock sectors through increased awareness of their great location and unique landscape facilitated by the development of the local infrastructure to receive more visitors from industrialized countries. Significant progress has been made in expanding tourist facilities, convention hotels and holiday resorts. The Azores is now capable of accommodating 10,500 visitors per day. Additionally, the Azorean airline (SATA) is set to serve many European destinations in addition to the US and Canada.

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Busy Times for Disaster Response:

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28948

Soon after the strongest earthquake in more than two decades, measuring 7.6 on the Ritcher scale, hit the Philippines members of the Ham Emergency Radio Operations (HERO) soon after were exchanging messages with the affected coastal areas. Eddie Valdez DU1EV, the Chief Operating Officer of the Philippines Amateur Radio Association said that DU1VHY handled traffic and got reports from the affected areas of DU4, DU5, DU6, DU8 and DU9. Eddie DU1EV said "The area of DU5 was nearest the epicenter and DV5PO reported there was a power outage in Borongan, Samar Island. DV5RAY reported that people were evacuating because of the tsunami alert."

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Role of Amateur Radio Operators May Determine Lease Agreement:

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28947

The importance of amateur radio operators is at the heart of a discussion about whether Ellis County should agree to lease space on a communications tower for an amateur radio antenna and related equipment. Sheriff Ed Harbin

says in times of disaster, they can be invaluable.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #37:

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 09:05 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28946

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #36 de K7RA:

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 09:05 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28945

A surprising jump in solar activity occurred this week. Average daily sunspot numbers rose nearly 55 points (about 74 percent) to 128.7. Average daily solar flux values were up over 28 points to 136.9. A pair of coronal mass ejections on September 3 and 4 excited Earth's geomagnetic field, causing A index values to jump. Middle latitude A index on September 2-5 was 14, 23, 14 and 24. The planetary A index on those dates was 12, 32, 13 and 28, while high-latitude college A index (Fairbanks, Alaska) was 48, 52, 39 and 49.

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Amateur Radio and Youth:

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 09:04 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28944

Getting more young people involved in Amateur Radio is essential for the growth of the hobby. The pre-teen and early teen years are the best time to get involved. This is the time when Amateur Radio can change your life and the world around you. This concept is explained on the website http://www.lastingmomentsoffirstexcitement.com. Take a look and give some feedback with your thoughts. This concept is not new or revolutionary but it seems to have been missed by a lot of people.

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When All Else Fails, Washington County Amateur Radio is There:

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28941

WCARES is the local chapter of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, a volunteer group of amateur ham radio operators who are activated following an emergency such as a natural disaster or blackout (their popular motto is "When all else fails, radio is there!") During these times, ARES members collaborate with public safety departments and organizations including the American Red Cross, National Weather Service and Federal Emergency

Management Agency to provide communication when other means are unavailable. Its personnel have responded to countless crisis situations since the foundation of ARES in the 1930s. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, over one thousand operators assisted in the relief effort by serving as 911 dispatchers and the sole means of communication for citizens in southern Mississippi. "The group is poised to react when called to (aid) the (emergency service) agencies of Washington County (with) communications needs," WCARES public information officer Norman Smith said. "It is (our) goal to be ready to respond to all activations in a timely manner." Currently, 40 operators serve in WCARES, though leadership is concentrated on a smaller team of five to seven. Jim Ashby is the Emergency Coordinator, who serves as the liaison with local emergency services personnel and is also responsible for arranging meetings, training members and activating the group when crisis hits. A veteran of the United States Navy and electronics engineer by trade, Ashby has been active in amateur radio since childhood and previously served in ARES organizations in Texas and California before joining WCARES. He is also involved with Skywarn, a program developed by the National Weather Service to document severe weather occurrences to aid with future prediction and preparation.

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Ham Radio Is Not An 'Old Man's Hobby', Say Enthusiasts:

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28940

Members from 36 amateur radio clubs around Vancouver Island and surrounding areas will converge at Cedar Community Hall for Ham Happenings 2012 this Saturday. The event, which happens once a year in various cities, brings together hundreds of hobbyists involved in using 2-meter radios, repeaters and HF frequencies. Hosted by the Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association, Ham Happenings is a chance for amateur radio enthusiasts to swap gadgets and for newcomers to learn more about how it all works. A station will be set up so people can try transmitting on the radio. There will also be a fox hunt where teams attempt to locate a transmitter hidden in town using just their radios. "The hobby is growing stead-ily in Nanaimo. As well as being a fun sport, it is also becoming more complex," said Yvonne Findlay, secretary of NARA. NARA was formed over 60 years ago strictly for those who had a keen interest in amateur radio, also commonly called ham radio, but as the technology grew and grew, so did the amount of things members could do.

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ARNewsline Report 1830 -- Sept 7 2012:

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28939

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds
to a typhoon in Korea and an earthquake in
the Philippines. Also, Yaesu donates a pair
of FT-2000 transceivers to help rebuild a

flood ravaged national society station in Thailand; the European Commission proposes an all out spectrum sharing plan; a shortwave transmitter in Bangladesh vacates the amateur exclusive section of 40 meters and an old modulation technique makes a money saving comeback for commercial broadcasters. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1830 coming your way right now.

1714. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 02:20:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303f6e4831957e04c93b7c21@google.com>
Source record: 2081
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Taunton ham radio operator to attend national conference - Taunton Daily Gazette

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 08:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE1u4ZdGKlDN6109aAZypKEpa_UIw&url=http://www.tauntongazette.com/newsnow/x551363326/Taunton-ham-radio-operator-to-attend-national-conference

Taunton ham radio operator to attend national conference
Taunton Daily Gazette
And thats where traditional ham, or amateur, radio experts play an integral role with their expertise in short-wave, radio interconnection. “Were the backup,” explained Mims, who is director of the Armys Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) in ...

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Somerset man fights for right to place ham radio device on school property - Daily American Online

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 07:34 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH0WX9nfXbOlbpCN26J5NuomFD-3g&url=http://articles.dailyamerican.com/2012-09-07/news/33684882_1_ham-radio-somerset-area-school-district-easement

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Daily American Online
SOMERSET COUNTY — A lawsuit filed by Richard Gibbs, Sherwood Drive, against Somerset Area School District asking the court to enforce his right to hang a ham radio device on Eagle View Elementary School property will move forward. Gibbs conducts ...

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Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa Worldwide Transmission Updates - Somaliland Sun

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 12:19 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHgYCFfVe5J69cUvUyBGb1di-hEmQ&url=http://somalilandsun.com/index.php/politics/government/1421-somaliland-radio-hargeisa-worldwide-transmission-updates

Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa Worldwide Transmission Updates
Somaliland Sun
Quote "I suspect that Mr. Suleiman (technical Director) may be taking steps to find a better 41 meter band frequency, outside the amateur radio (ham radio) band. This would presumably put it somewhere higher than 7,200 kilohertz. Nevertheless, he does ...

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When all else fails, Washington County Amateur Radio is there - Dixie Press Online

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 05:47 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFSq3fdAk4fylWl9XxCVk-jbNOLJw&url=http://www.stgeorgeutah.com/news/archive/2012/09/06/when-all-else-fails-washington-county-amateur-radio-is-there/

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1715. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-054E - Two Commercial Operations Evicted from TwoMeter Band

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 04:27:34 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <504C18FD.9070308@rac.ca>
Source record: 2082
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-054E - Two Commercial Operations Evicted from Two Meter Band
2012-09-07

Following investigation into several member complaints, the Radio Amateurs of Canada is pleased to announce that two cases of frequency incursion have been resolved.

In the first, a transportation company based in Reinfeld, Manitoba was observed to be operating illegally on 144.100 Mhz. In addition to operating inside the amateur radio two meter band, this operation posed a threat to low signal operations across a wide portion of North America. The company in question had purchased VHF radios from a US based supplier who failed to indicate correct licensing procedures. Upon contact from RAC, the company agreed to immediately cease operating in the two meter band and shifted their operation to a business band frequency. Industry Canada was notified of the incursion and continues to work with the company to secure a licensed channel.

In the second matter, a home moving company was observed to be operating on 144.940 Mhz. The company is based in Winkler, MB but the operation was observed in Alberta during the moving of a house. In this case, the company had already licensed frequencies with Industry Canada. They had requested 144.940 Mhz as a channel. Their request was denied by Industry Canada and a business band channel was issued. However, the company failed to check their license paperwork and assumed they had been approved for their requested channel.

The moving company was also contacted by RAC and agreed to move their operations to their correctly licensed frequencies. Given their wide geographic operations Industry Canada has licensed their operation on four separate channels including 140.730, 154.325, 158.940 and 151.730.

In both cases, it appears that channels in the two meter band were chosen by these businesses because their new vhf radios defaulted to that frequency range. As well, both businesses indicated they could simply dial a new frequency into the radio to move out of our band. This is strong cause for concern that the actual radios being used are modified Amateur Radio equipment. The use of equipment intended for Amateur Radio operation outside of the Amateur Bands or by persons who do not hold an Amateur Radio Certificate is illegal.

Action on these and other incursions has been made possible by quality reports from monitoring stations. RAC thanks those Amateurs who have

provided assistance in these specific files. The strong national voice
for Amateur Radio that the Radio Amateurs of Canada provides is made
possible by members across our country and associate members beyond
our borders. You can find out more about the benefits of membership
for you and the benefits to Amateur Radio as a whole at www.rac.ca

Reports of confirmed or suspected illegal operation should be sent to
regulatory@rac.ca

Bill Gade, VE4WO
Regulatory Affairs

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1716. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 9 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 11:06:44 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51f994dd26d3604c942d523@google.com>
Source record: 2083
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio and Youth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_AfiLwQnJUQ/amateur_radio_and_youth.htm
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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bYD6V1uCWeg/wca_0909.htm?utm_source=fee
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Two more activations taking place today for the World Castles Award scheme

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1961 Ham Radio

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rmd0xyzDCjw/1961_ham_radio.htm?utm_sour
ce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This silent home movie shows amateur radio station WN5AME circa 1961

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DIY Electronics 1910-1915

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K2_lf734EMM/diy_electronics_1910_1915.h

tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

EE Times reports on early DIY electronics projects, 1910-1915

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Ham radio not an old man's hobby

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hMjY3yU7WZs/ham_radio_not_an_old_mans_hobby.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Canadian Daily News carries a story about the Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association (NARA)

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Plasma powered Amateur Radio satellite PROITERES

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qOajbBbIpjQ/plasma_powered_amateur_radio_satellite_proiteres.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Japanese amateur radio satellite PROITERES is planned to launch Sunday, September 9 at 0421 UT from the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Satish Dhawan space centre

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kSkO9PJxcR4/september_09.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Dutch Radio Day - Saturday 17 November 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LhknLPSCssE/dutch_radio_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For nearly 34 years, the annual Dutch 'Radio Day' has been a 'must' for all (offshore) radio experts and enthusiasts

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Radio at War

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h01b5fC8-wc/radio_at_war.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A WWII era (1944) film by RCA depicting two brothers, both ham radio operators, who join the armed forces as radio operators

1717. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 9 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 16:47:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec518687444cf5604c94798fa@google.com>
Source record: 2084
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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5H2DK Tanzania

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 08:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360876-5H2DK-Tanzania&goto=newpost

OH2NNE will be active from Tanzania 2-17 October 2012 as 5H2DK

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/5h2dk_tanzania/

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QSLs for Special Events ?? What is appropriate to confirm?

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 06:39 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360852-QSLs-for-Special-Events-What-is-appropriate-to-confirm&goto=newpost

I am just wondering what is the "common" practice with regard to confirming contacts with special event stations?

I have received several eQSLs from special event stations AND have also received eQSLs from the presumed "operators" of these special event stations.

I have confirmed all the contacts where the eQSL is consistent with the call-sign actually used during the event. The question is, should I also confirm contacts with the "operators" as well?

For example, let's say I have a QSO with N1HAPPYDAYS and during the QSO there is no mention of the call-sign of the operator N1OPERATOR. Then I receive QSLs from both N1HAPPYDAYS and N1OPERATOR. Of course N1OPERATOR does NOT appear in my log, because the call-sign was never actually used or discussed. So what would you do? Confirm one or confirm both??

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CW at the Old Mulkey Meetinghouse Special Event

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 11:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360779-CW-at-the-Old-Mulkey-Meetinghouse-Special-Event&goto=newpost

It should be mentioned that we will are planing on having someone do CW at the Old Mulkey Meetinghouse Special Event on Saturday the 15th (Sept. 2012). The operator will be on 80 meters (3.560 +/- 20 KHz) and 20 meters (14.050 +/- 20 KHz). Saturday we will probably be on there late that night and will have the Boy Scouts on voice with us.We forgot to mention this in our post about a month or so ago. Hope to make contact with you from our special event..Thx...Mark KD4QHG

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3D2XB 3D2AS 3D2XC 3D2PT 3D2OP Viti Levu Island

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 09:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360766-3D2XB-3D2AS-3D2XC-3D2PT-3D2OP-Viti-Levu-Island&goto=newpost

PY2XB , PY2WAS , PY7XC , PY2PT will be active from Viti Levu Island (IOTA OC-016) , Fiji 8-14 October 2012 as 3D2XB , 3D2AS , 3D2XC , 3D2PT

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...u-island_fiji/

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73 Al 4L5A

1718. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 9th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 20:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120909200003.41EA033C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2085
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 9th September 2012

Licence Examination

There is now just under two weeks left to Thursday 20 September which is the closing date for the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m.in the ComReg Offices in Dublin.

Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

SSB Field Day

We heard six portable EI stations participating in last weekend's SSB Field Day. Three of them were at the amateur radio "Electric Picnic" in Garbally, Ballinalsoe, County Galway. The hosts for this event were Shannon Basin Radio Club EI3Z/P, who were joined in Garbally by South Dublin Radio Club EI2SDR/P and Galway Radio Experimenters Club EI4GRC/P.

Elsewhere in the country, Dundalk Amateur Radio Society EI0W/P were active from Fieldstown, Monasterboice just North of Drogheda, while Tipperary Amateur Radio Group were located at Mooncoin in County Kilkenny and Tim EI2KA/P was heard operating from Baltimore, County Cork.

The IRTS SSB Field Day is part of an IARU Region 1 Field Day contest, so most of the interest is from stations in the UK and mainland Europe. There was a lot of emphasis, therefore, on 40 metres and 80 metres. Most stations reported very little activity on 10 metres or 15 metres - these bands were open, but a lot of the contest activity on the higher bands was from stations participating in the All Asian DX Contest, and most of them showed little interest in working European field day

stations.

Achill Henge CASHOTA Activation

The Galway VHF Group will be activating Achill Henge on Sunday the 16th of September from 11 am - 3 pm and active on 80, 40 and 20 metres. Achill Henge is a "stone henge" like structure that was built on a hilltop on Achill Island near the village of Keel. The Henge was built in record time over the weekend of 26th and 27th of November 2011. Achill Henge is located in WAI Square F60 Co. Mayo &#65533;nd has the CASHOTA Designator EI-02-M. The Callsign for this operation will be EI4ALE/P. Check out EI4ALE on QRZ.com for more details.

North Cork Radio Group

Today Sunday 9th September the NCRG will be host their annual Radio Rally & Electronics Fair at the Roebuck Room, Commons Inn, Blackpool, Cork.

Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free). Raffle tickets will also be available at the door.

The usual traders will be present. The AREN trailer will also be at the venue and hopes to have a HF /VHF station set up.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held on Sept 19th, October 3rd, October 17th, October 31st. All are welcome to enrol and this will be a fun learning experience. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

Oleg EI7KD World Champion

Oleg EI7KD has won the Ukranian DX Contest 2011.

He came 1st in the Single-Op, All Bands, High Power, CW. Oleg is our technical expert on the EI0W team at Dundalk Amateur Radio Society and he recently participated in the IARU Region 1 VHF contest in Monasterboice.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to

both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1719. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1078

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 20:52:37 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <159894.86070.qm@smtp109.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2086
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd-September, through Sunday, 9th-September there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH8/s, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2, FIJI. Orlando, PT2OP, will be active as 3D2OP from Viti Levu between October 7-14th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau.

3D2, FIJI. Cicero, PY7ZY, a member of the T30PY/T30SIX DXpedition, will be active as 3D2ZY from Viti Levu, Fiji (OC-016), between October 11-15th, prior to his participation in the Tarawa Island, Western Kiribati, DXpedition. Activity will be on the HF bands (specific bands were not mentioned). QSL via his home callsign.

5H, TANZANIA. Arne, OH2NNE, will be active as 5H2DK from Moshi (KI86qq) between October 2-17th. Also, there may be sporadic activity using a portable setup from different locations between October 18-27th. This will be a one man operation on SSB only. The setup includes an Icom 706 MKIIG boosted with an SG-500 to emit full 100 watts permitted, A3S tribander (10/15/20) and dipoles for 12/17/40/80 meters bands. The portable setup will include the Icom 706, an AH-4 mobile antenna tuner, a wire antenna taped to a 6m fishing stick. Prelimanry TX frequencies plan is: 3790, 7090, 14250, 18150, 21250, 24950 and 28450 kHz. The RX will be the same as TX, 5up, 5-10up or 7.145 on 40m band. In order to maximize the possibility for everyone to get into the log, Arne suggest/asks that Europe call 5 up and outside Europe/Scandinavia to call 10 up. Arne states, "We will try our best to serve everybody. Please behave according to the rules in order to maximize QSO rate and minimize the number of failed QSOs. We will try to upload the log, if possible." QSL via his home callsign.

5R, MADAGASCAR. Eric, F6ICX, will once again be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island (AF-090) between November 10th and December 9th. Activity will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63, and using a FT450 with 100 watts into various GPs or Inverted-Ls and a Hexbeam for 20-10 meters. There will be no online log during his activity. QSL via his home callsign (QRZ.com). View pictures of his last trips at: http://f6kbk.free.fr/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm

5W & KH8, SAMOA AND AMERICAN SAMOA (ZK3 Cancelled!). John, N7CQQ, sent out the following press release on September 9th [edited]: "Well gang, we have thrown in the towel on getting to Tokelau (ZK3) this time around. The boat is normally scheduled for a two week turn around with about two days to get to and two days to return from Tokelau. This month the boat scheduled to go to Tokelau was tasked to do another cruse and another boat was substituted from New Zealand. The weather has delayed the arrival of the substituted boat from New Zealand, so we still don't know when the boat to Tokelau will depart Apia, Western Samoa. But wait the story gets better!
The return boat trip is 'Scheduled' for departure from Apia, WS, on September 18th. The return date to Apia, WS, after picking us up at Tokelau is September 29th give or take weather and the changing schedule. The scheduled flight returning Ron/N6XT and John/N7CQQ back home is scheduled out of American Samoa on October 1st. So we have given up our attempt to visit Tokelau this trip. We will continue to operate 5W and KH8 when we return to AS about the 19th or 20th of September to see the Swains guys return. We have lots of information to share about visiting Samoa and Tokelau.
73, de John/5W0QQ and Ron/5W0XT see you in the pile up and still having fun in the Pacific."

ADDED NOTES: There has been plenty of SSB activity by John and Ron
on 20 meters. John also mentioned to OPDX on Friday, "We just finished
installing the SteppIR Big vertical at the Samoa Marina Hotel, they
are nice folks. Had some difficulty with power strips, 120v power
strips don't work well on a 220 volt system... Got a great internet
connection so should be able to stay in touch."

6Y, JAMAICA. J�rgen, DL3JH, is now active as 6Y5/DL3JH from Jamaica
(NA-097) until September 22nd. Activity should be on all HF bands using
CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

BY, CHINA. Members of the Dongcheng District Radio Club station (BY1WXD)
will be active as BY1WXD/0 for ten days from the Tibet Autonomous Region
(near Lhasa, grid square NL59hi) between September 27th and October 7th.
This will be the first DXpedition in the Tibet Autonomous Region by
Chinese operators. Operators mentioned are Che/BA7CK, Xu/BA8IK, XiangQian/
BA9TX, Donghui/BD2FW, Gu/BD4TS, Zheng/BD5FFK, Ampear/BD5QDM, Youjun/BD5SO,
Li/BD9GQ, Lin/BG0GE, BG3MTK, BG5TOW, Lihua/BG6MA, Nalan/BG9API and Xiaolei/
BG9XE. This operation is sponsored by WOUXUN Elecs. Activity will be on
40/30/20/17/15/12/10/6 meters (To Be Finally Determined) using modes CW,
SSB, RTTY and PSK. They will have two stations on the air using Icom
IC-7000's and SpiderBeam (To Be Finally Determined). Also, this activity
will take place during the "Worked All Provinces of China" Contest [WAPC]
(October 6th, between 0000-2356z). For details on the WAPC, visit:
http://www.mulandxc.org/?page_id=
CE, CHILE. Robert, SQ1DWR, will be active as CE3/SQ1DWR from Chile between
October 10-22nd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW. QSL via his
home callsign.

CR3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. The CR3L contest station in Santana on Madeira
Island (AF-014) will be busy over the next few months during the upcoming
contest season. Look for the following operators to be active possibly
as CT9/homecall and CR3L during the upcoming dates and contests:
Sept. 20th-Oct. 4th: Operators Walter/DJ6QT, Goetz/DJ3IW, Kalle/DM3BJ,
Stefan/DK1MM, Horst/DK1QH, Dieter/DK4QT, Han-J./
DL1YFF, Boris/E73Y and Marijan/S56A. Activity
during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th)
as a Multi-Multi entry.

Oct. 21st- Nov. 2nd: Operators Karlfried/DL1EK, Peter/DH4JQ, Marion/
DF4UM, Marco/DJ5KW and Leo/DK8VC. Activity during
the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a
Multi-Op entry.

November 20-27th : Operators Arno/DL1CW, Ulf/DL5AXX, Frank/DL8WAA,
Ulrich/DJ2YA, Falk/DK7YY, Gennady/UA9MA, Mikhail/
UA9PM and Ruslan/UA9ONJ. Activity during the CQWW
DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry.

QSL CR3L via DJ6QT. Activity by operators, QSL via their home callsign.
Visit the CR3L Santana, Madeira Island, Web page at: http://www.cq3l.de

CQ NEWS. Richard, W2VU, sent the following press release on September 4th:
"CQ News: Bob Cox, K3EST, Retires as CQWW Contest Director - Bob Cox, K3EST, has retired as Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest and as CQ's Director of Contesting, it was announced today by CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA. Cox has been at the helm of the CQWW for 35 years, guiding the contest through massive changes in technology - both on and off the air - and CQWW's growth to become the world's most popular amateur radio contest.
Cox first took the reins of the CQWW in January, 1977, along with Larry Brockman, WA6EPQ (now N6AR), who worked with Bob until March, 1994. In making his announcement to members of the CQ World Wide Contest Committee, Bob said, '35 years encompasses almost the entire history of modern contesting. All the way from paper logs to today's need for instant answers. During that time a framework was created that made the CQWW the innovator of almost everything used in contesting today including log checking.' He added, 'With that in mind I am tired and wish to move on with other interests.'
Ross said the association had been long and fruitful, telling Cox 'it has been an honor to have worked with you for these many decades. Your contributions to the art and sport of amateur radio contesting have been enormous.'
Cox's retirement is effective immediately. A successor has not yet been named."

CU1-CU9, AZORES (Press Release - Dated September 4th)[edited]). Martti, Laine, OH2BH, sent out the following:
DXERS TAKING A NEW COURSE IN AZORES, SEPTEMBER 28-30, 2012
NEW WEBSITE GOES LIVE http://azores-islands-hunt.com

It is often said that DXers only work DX. More recently, we have seen a healthy shift toward assisting the society they visit by helping locals become stronger in Amateur Radio. Something totally new is now happening in the CU-land the Azores.
In recent years, the Azores Islands have balanced their agriculture and livestock sectors through increased awareness of their great location and unique landscape facilitated by the development of the local infra-structure to receive more visitors from industrialized countries. Signif-icant progress has been made in expanding tourist facilities, convention hotels and holiday resorts. The Azores is now capable of accommodating 10,500 visitors per day. Additionally, the Azorean airline (SATA) is set to serve many European destinations in addition to the US and Canada.
Radio amateurs are now stepping forward to help the Azoreans increase the awareness of all of their nine islands, all within reach of SATA airline service. Forming nine country teams with the locals, a total of twenty DXers will fly in from SATA destinations to be on the air from the nine islands as part of the 'Azores Nine Islands Hunt' - a unique concept to bring everyone on board globally to share what the Azores can offer. Those participating are:

United States: K2DO (YL), KI1U, KE3Q, N2GA
Canada: VE3DZ, VE3FWA

Germany: DJ9ZB, DF9TF
United Kingdom: G3TXF, G7VJR
Finland: OH2BH, OH8NC, OH9MDV
Norway: LB3HC
Belgium: ON7LX (YL), ON7TK, ON5NT
Denmark: OZ7AM, OZ1IKY
Together with local hams from each island: CU1AAD, CU2BV, CU2CE, CU2DX, CU3CS, CU4AB, CU5AM, CU6AB, CU7CA, CU8AAE and CU9AC

The Amateur Radio group is also set to streamline emergency communications procedures throughout the archipelago. Together with the local amateur population and administrators, they will be using this activity to test the island-to-island amateur radio network. The ARRL is sending their best resources, lending their expertise in this field.

The project website was launched today at <http://azores-islands-hunt.com> for your review while you can also study the Azores at: http://www.visitazores.com/en "

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). The following was a press release dated September 5th [edited]: "Planning continues for the October 8-17th DXpedition to Sable Island (CY0). Half of our gear is in storage at the Maritime Air Charter facility in Halifax, Nova Scotia. We are in the process of shipping the remaining gear. We have booked our flights to Halifax. All remains on schedule for the CY0 operation to begin around 2300z on October 8th. As always, weather and flying conditions will dictate the actual schedule. The aircraft has to land on the beach as there is no "runway" on the island.
This operation will be highly focused on 10,12 and 15 meters where the most demand for CY0 exists. We continue to discuss antenna options due to the restrictive environment we will be operating under.
Ron and Murray will begin loading the Britten-Norman aircraft late in the afternoon on October 7th. All gear must be weighed as we have a 1400 pound weight limitation, including our body weights. We will then watch the weather very closely. On Monday morning, October 8th, Maritime Air and the OIC on Sable have scheduled a 1200z call to determine if a flight is GO/NO GO. More updates to follow.... WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0"
For more details and updates, visit: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mike, DL3FCG, will once again be active as EA8/DL3FCG from La Orotava, Tenerife Island (AF-004, S-012 for the Spanish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1276) between October 15-28th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He also plans to be in the WAG Contest (October 20-12th) and the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via DL3FCG, direct or by the Bureau (preferred). All QSOs will also be confirmed via LoTW and eQSL. Visit his Blog Page for more details at: http://dl3fcg.blogspot.de

GJ0, JERSEY. Jim, G0UPG, will be active as GJ0UPG from Jersey between September
9-15th. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly SSB, probably using a FT-857D,

an LDG 200 Pro II tuner - both powered by 12V 8AH battery, into a vertical antenna made from a telescopic fishing pole. QSL via his home callsign, direct
or by the Bureau. Also LoTW or eQSL.

HS, THAILAND (Yaesu Presents Radios to HS0AC in Thailand)). Press release from Dennis Motschenbacher, K7BV, received on September 3rd: "I depart Thailand early Tuesday morning after a number of days of DX pileups along side some of the most enthusiastic and friendly hams in the world! I will never forget my time here to present two Yaesu FT 2000D radios (thanks to Yaesu President Mr. Jun Hasegawa) to the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand headquarters station HS0AC that lost their radios during the terrible floods last year.
http://www.qsl.net/rast/
http://www.hs5ac.net/smf1112/smf/index.php?topict9.0
I was delighted to find Thailand extremely "radio active" with over 300,000 hams; most on VHF. However, after seven years of waiting, the Thai hams are once again able to test for a license that gives them the HF bands. Over 40 have already passed the exam this year and at least one more test is schedule in 2012. I understand that upgrade testing will likely now occur three times a year meaning 100s of new HF operators are about to appear on the HF bands.
All this is great news for hams around the world!

73 Dennis Motschenbacher K7BV HS0ZKS
Executive Vice President Amateur Radio Sales"

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-095. Operators Victor/RU0ZM, Valery/UA0ZC, Valdimir/RA0ZJ and Alex/UA0ZAM will be active as homecall/p from Starichkov Island between September 8-14th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via their homecallsigns.

EU-069. Members of the "Invoker Team" will be active as EG5INT from Columbretes Island between September 20-24th. Operators mentioned are George/EA2TA, Christian/EA3NT, Ramon/EA3OR and Raul/EA5KA. QSL via EA5KA.

EU-088. Bernd, DL8AAV, will be active as OZ0AV from Laeso Island (DIA NK-003, WLOTA 2820) between September 10-22nd. Activity will be on the HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via DL8AAV, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-172. Mike, DG5LAC, will be active as OZ/DG5LAC from Langeland Island (DIA FY-019, WLOTA 0590) between September 29th and October 5th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

OC-110. Rod, YJ8RN, is currently visiting Loh Island in the Torres Island IOTA Group (in Vanuatu) and is active as YJ8RN/p. The length of stay unknown. Activity has been mainly 20 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign: Rod Newell, Box 905, Port Vila,

Vanuatu.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 10-16th)....
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Sep/11th AN Sep/14th AN Sep/16th HN
Sep/12th AN

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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (Update). Yuriy, N2TTA, announced this past week that he will also be active as KP2MM during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.n2tta.info

N1, UNITED STATED (Special Event). Members of the Symbol Technologies ARC will be honoring the lives lost during the horrific events of September 11th, 2001, with activating special event station N1Y between 1400z Monday, September 10th, and 1400z Tuesday, September 11th. Suggested frequencies are: 3911, 7240, 14070 and 50135 kHz, as well as D-Star REF10C. QSL direct to W2SBL: STARC, One Motorola Plaza, B-13, Holtsville, NY 11742 (with a #10 SASE). PLEASE NOTE: There will be a reading of one name of the fallen with every QSO.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2012-2014. Members of the Colombian Radio Amateur Association (LCRA - Liga Colombiana de Radioafionados <www.lcra.org.co>, elected the following new Board of Directors as of September 1st, for the 2012-2014 term. They are:
President - Roberto "Rob" Rey, HK3CW (cwdude@gmail.com)
V. President - Francisco "Siso" Hennessey, HK3W (hk3w.info@gmail.com)
(Vocal) is - Francisco Pineda, HK3IXI
Aquilino Torres, HK3Z
Dalia Preziosi, HK3JI
Controller (Attorney) - Alvaro G�mez, HK5LNJ

NH8, SWAINS ISLANDS. The international team of 19 operators are now active as NH8S from Swains Island until September 18th. San, K5YY, 60m pilot station for NH8S, reported earlier in the week that "Joe, W8GEX, will try to get on 60m after NH8S has been on a few days and things 'settle down' ... Do not expect him on before Sept. 9th or 10th.....
As announcements have said, he will look for Europe at about 0400z and North America from about 0900-1100z during USA sunrises." Remember, the NH8S team will also be running seven stations from 160-6 meters using

CW, SSB and RTTY. They plan to upload logs to ClubLog daily and can be found at: https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c&#65533;8S#r
Before going to print, as of 0116z September 9th, the NH8S team has made a total of 27899 QSOs with 9707 Unique callsigns (13245/SSB, 2134/CW and 1/RTTY). Breakdown by Continent: 104/AF, 0/AN, 10333/AS, 5254/EU, 11060/NA, 874/OC and 274/SA. The NH8S team recommends to QSL via OQRS by ClubLog for both direct or Bureau QSLs. PLEASE NOTE: They will activate the OQRS system after the DXpeditions ends -- on or about Saturday, 22-September-2012. Complete instructions will be provided on the NH8S QSL page. Direct QSLs can be mailed to: Swains Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie, SC 29710, USA. Bureau QSLs go to AA4NN (but use the OQRS - it is faster). QSL via LoTW (Logs will be posted 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition). There will not be any QSLs via eQSL. More details on the NH8S operation, see the Web site at: http://nh8s.org

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated Setember 9th)

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3Z2X via SP2YWL EA6/IZ4WNA via IZ4WNA LZ1737SSS via LZ1KCP
3Z73HOWS via SP9PDG EA6/IZ4WNP via IZ4WNP OK/PA2A via PA2A
3Z707K via SP5ZRW EE8YG via EA8YG OZ/DL9DAN via DL9DAN
5W0XT via N6XT EF8R via EA8CAC (L) PJ4R via DL1THM
(9/2012
8Q7OE via OE4JHW EG1FIM via EA1URV only, direct)
9A204MX via DJ2MX EG1SDC-EG9SDC via EA1AUM SG0U via SM3CXS
A61R via EA7FTR EM125QN via UT3QN SV2/LZ2HM via LZ2HM
AY8A via LU8ADX EO5UFF via US5UFF SZ2SISO via SV2GWY
CR3L via DJ6QT FK8DD via LZ1JZ SZ3P via SV3DCX
CT9/DG3FAW via DG3FAW HK3TK via F5CWU T88ME via 7N1RTO
CT9/DJ1JM via DJ1JM I6/SQ6Y via SQ6Y TM1MAD via F5KLJ
CT9/DJ6KS via DJ6KS IR7RAI via IQ7DV TM34CDXC via F5CWU
CT9/DJ8OG via DJ8OG J40TSL via SZ2TSL VU3DJQ via EA7FTR
DJ0ML/HI7 via DJ0ML JT5DX via JT1CO ZG2FX via G3RFX
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL CHORES CHANGING. Ivan, LZ1PJ, reports, "The following callsigns that I managed will be managed in future by Boyan, LZ1BJ: LZ75A, LZ02JP, and LZ02/03/04/05/06/07/08/2009KM. I have already transferred the logs and blank QSLs to Boyan. Those, who have sent QSL requests to me and haven't received reply yet, don't have to resubmit. All backlog requests,

and possible future requests that could eventually come to me, will be forwarded to Boyan too. For inquiries, he can be contacted via E-mail <lz1bj@yahoo.com>."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3DA0PW, 4X1WQ, 7O6T, BU2AW, CP6XE, CT3AS, CT3DZ, D64K, DJ5AV, DK5WL, DL2OE, DL6UCK, EA7AJR, EA7EU, EI3KG, EI7BA, F5BZB, F8GGD, FY8PE, GO2HQ, GO3TXF, HB9BIN, HP1/IZ6BRN, JA0FSB, JH1DGQ, K9JWI, KL7/K8GU, LY1G, LY2IG, LY3BG, OD5ZZ, OV2B, OZ8BZ, PE1NCP, PE2LZ, PR7AR,

PY1GQ, PY2YW, R0QA, RA1OD, RA3BL, RU3EJ, S50R, SE0X, SM5CBM, SM5J,
SP1RKT, SP3FHV, SP7HOV, SP8HXN, SQ8OAU, TO5U, UA0IT, UA6JDQ, US0MS,
UT7ZZ, UW2XW, UW2ZM, UX5IO, UX7LL, UY5AR, VK3FM, VK7CW, WA2YUN/KH9,
YB0NFL, YI9LZ and YL2GP

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4K9W, 4L0CR, 4Z5ML, 5Z4/JH0CJH, 9M0L, 9M2/JH0CJH,
9M2/R6AF/6, DL/JA5AQC, EU1DX, H44UD, HK0NA, JX9JKA, KH8RRG, OE/JA5AQC,
OH/JA5AQC, OK5JM, SM5/JA5AQC, TG9AHM, TY2SI, TY5MR, UN1L, VK8MM, VR2XLN
and ZP6/IK1PMR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SI9, SWEDEN (Special Event). Special event station SI9AM from the King
Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in
the world outside Thailand, will be active between September 15-16th.
Operators will be Lars/SM3EAE, Joe/SM3FJF and G&#65533;ran/SM5SIC. They plan to
be an entry in the Scandinavian Activity Contest [CW] (September 15-16th).
Outside of the contest, activity will be on 160-10 meters. Suggested
frequencies are:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
FM - 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49 - 145.612 MHz
QSL via SM3CVM, direct or by the Bureau. For more information, visit the
SI9AM Web page at: http://www.si9am.se

V2, ANTIGUA. Bud, AA3B, will be active as V26K from Antigua (NA-100)
between November 22-26th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of
the contest, activity will be all CW on the HF bands only. QSL via AA3B.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLANDS (Update). Pekka, OH2YY, informs OPDX that his
good friend Pekka Ketonen, OH1TV, will be joining him at Christmas Island.
The VK9XM callsign will be used and there will be two stations. They will
have two yagis to cover the bands 20-10 meters and a dipole for 40 meters.
They will operate on SSB and CW. Dates and QSL info will remain unchanged.
The schedule for the operation is from Oct. 6th (ca. 12Z) to Oct. 12th
(ca. 24Z). QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the SRAL QSL Bureau.
Direct QSLs go to: Pekka Ahlqvist OH2YY, Vapaalanpolku 8B, 01650 Vantaa,
Finland.

VP2V, BRITISH VIGRIN ISLANDS (Update). Steve, AA7V, will once again be
active as VP2V/homecall from Virgin Gorda (Tortola) between September 26th
and October 1st. Activity will include the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September
29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-band/High-Power entry. He mentioned in July
to OPDX that he will probably not take a keyer/paddles and possibly a
microphone. Steve states, "I will lug my Ameritron amp down there and
(hopefully) run 400w. I have a G5RV and an 80/40 trap dipole which will
both hang off the porch of one of those cliffside villas. If any time,
I will try 17 meter RTTY. Thank goodness no 160 in this contest." QSL
via AA7V direct or LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLS. For more details on Steve's
activities in the coming months, see OPDX.1072.

XV29, VIETNAM. Yasu, JL7XBN, will be active as XV29FM from Vung Tau between October 19-22nd. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters using the modes FM, SSB, PSK, RTTY and JT65A. More details and QSL info is forthcoming.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. The "DX-World.Net" Web page is reporting: "Jim, K7QI, is the first operator to be issued with the new Z8 prefix for an upcoming stay in South Sudan. Within the next few weeks he plans to be active from Juba as Z8AAA. QSL via K7GSE who will update this news in the coming days." LAST MINUTE UPDATE FROM "DX-World.Net" Web page: "Jim, Z8AAA, will be home on September 25th for couple of weeks before heading back to Southern Sudan with a new Yaesu FT 2000D and a Hex beam. He hopes to be on the air sometime in October or November and thanks all for emails and best of luck messages. Will keep all informed of any more news.."

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the Quake Contesters Group will be active as ZL3X during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Multi-Single Low-Power entry. QSL via ZL3PAH or LoTW. Operators mentioned are Mark/ ZL3AB, Don/ZL3DMC, Andrew/ZL3DW, Geoff/ZL3GA, Graeme/ZL3GK and Phil/ZL3PAH.

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1720. eHam.net News for Sunday 9 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 22:11:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404f98a776c04c94c1fff@google.com>
Source record: 2087
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Taunton Ham Radio Operator to Attend National Conference:

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28951

TAUNTON -- It's no bologna that Robert Mims takes being a ham radio operator seriously. Mims, 66, will be among an elite group of 10 "region directors" across the country attending a three-day meeting next week in Dallas. The U.S Army, in a statement, describes the conference as part of its developing strategy to counter "escalating attacks on the country's communications infrastructure." Although Internet and cellular communication have become ubiquitous, in terms of the new standard of global communication, they're not infallible. And that's where traditional ham, or amateur, radio experts play an integral role with their expertise in short-wave, radio interconnection. "We're the backup," explained Mims, who is director of the Army's Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) in Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region One, which covers New England. Mims said he and his fellow directors will have a chance to meet and consult with newly appointed Army MARS Chief Stephen G. Klinefelter. Klinefelter now serves as a civilian operations officer at Network Enterprise Technology Command (NETCOM) in Huachuca, Ariz.

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Somerset Man Fights for Right to Place Ham Radio Device on School Property:

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28950

Gibbs claims officials included that right of easement in a 1995 deed: SOMERSET COUNTY -- A lawsuit filed by Richard Gibbs, Sherwood Drive, against Somerset Area School District asking the court to enforce his right to hang a ham radio device on Eagle View Elementary School property will move forward. Gibbs conducts his ham radio operation within his home, which abuts Eagle View Elementary School along Discovery Lane. When he sold 11 acres to the school district for the elementary school's construction, the sale was subject to any easements for existing utility or aerial transmission lines, Gibbs said. Within these easements was an antenna wire with support pole erected and installed by Gibbs for his ham radio operation, according to the lawsuit. When the school was built, the device was dismantled by the contractor and never replaced, he said. Gibbs said he spoke to the contractor as soon as he was aware of the dismantling of the antenna wire. The school district's solicitors, William Carroll and

Benjamin Carroll, said Gibbs waited too long to file the lawsuit. "This does not explain the length of the delay in bringing this action before the court," they wrote in their response. Gibbs said he approached the school district in 2011 about exercising his right and erecting an antenna. The discussions ended in an impasse. He then filed suit. "The primary objective of the lawsuit is for the court to enforce the easement requirements in the 1995 deed," said Gibbs' attorney, Joseph Policicchio of Somerset.

1721. iPhone App To Help You Regain 20/20 Vision Naturally

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-09 23:52:51 UTC
From: paxNcUoxfR paxNcUoxfR <paxncuoxfr@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f871e87d-5a1d-4cdf-a7a9-1ab688b089c2@y12g2000yqg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2088

http://goo.gl/xQy6Q - "20/20 Vision" is an iPhone app that will help you regain 20/20 vision naturally, by looking at images that relaxes your eyes and performing eye exercises that strengthen your eyes, anywhere within your busy life (i.e. office cubicle, crowded subway, waiting at the hair salon, etc.), thanks.

1722. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 9 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-10 02:38:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced105420104c94fda7a@google.com>
Source record: 2089
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Local Hams Drill During State Exercise - Patch.com

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 03:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGLGqqc1jCtlFr0nz-npGTck2qwQg&url=http://hamden.patch.com/articles/local-hams-drill-during-state-exercise

Local Hams Drill During State Exercise
Patch.com
ARES membership consists of F.C.C. licensed amateur radio operators who take the “When All Else Fails, Ham RadioWorks” slogan seriously. For more information, contact Sharafanowich at wa1sfh@arrl.net and visit www.ctaresregion2.org. Related Topics: ...

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Plasma powered Amateur Radio satellite PROITERES - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 12:37 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFpKLTkN7e6BeuxCUUeEXUnnAIdzA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/plasma_powered_amateur_radio_satellite_proiteres.htm

Plasma powered Amateur Radio satellite PROITERES
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Plasma powered Amateur Radio satellite PROITERES. The Japanese amateur radio satellite PROITERES is planned to launch Sunday, September 9 at 0421 UT from the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Satish Dhawan space centre. The satellite ...

1723. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 10 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-10 11:07:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d042de367be7acf04c956f757@google.com>
Source record: 2090
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium Guildford

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HAww-xdKh7A/amsat_uk_international_space_colloquium_guildford.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AMSAT-UK Colloquium takes place this weekend September 15-16 at the
Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ and is open to all

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Amateur Radio Astronomy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zmUTqNCXxWU/amateur_radio_astronomy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Astronomy Group of the British Astronomical Association is
holding a one-day meeting at the National Space Centre in Leicester on
Saturday 27th October

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Radio Station Writtle Calling / 2EmmaToc

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tSkZeyMcf44/radio_station_writtle_calling_2emma_toc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim Wander G6GUX will be broadcasting on radio station Writtle Calling on
Tuesday evening, September 11 (6-7:30pm)

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432 and Above EME Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ScTagrikJiE/432_and_above_eme_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The September edition of the free amateur radio 432 MHz and Above EME
Newsletter is now available for download

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Amateur Radio in 1955

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jnI86pY8c3M/amateur_radio_in_1955.htm?u

tm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A German language film about Amateur Radio made in 1955

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Smartphone? Presto! 2-Way Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0pWi7jmBMaQ/smartphone_presto_2_way_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette reports on walkie-talkie apps for your
smartphone

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hc3tS_sDJuc/dxcc_report_1009.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
2nd-September, through Sunday, 9th-September there were 218 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vN6prEBSd-Q/september_10.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa worldwide transmission updates

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qBednRXhaQU/radio_hargeisa_worldwide_transmission_updates.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio Hargeisa transmissions have not been noted internationally for almost
a week

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Into Space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7L_jEMmfTaI/into_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Scarborough Amateur Radio Society will have, what promises to be a very
interesting talk called 'Into Space' presented by the Scarborough and
Ryedale Astronomical Society

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iN7IyRcJdgg/history_10_september.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1724. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 9th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-10 12:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120910120005.001E733C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2091
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 9th September 2012

The news headlines:

* ARDF World Championships this week

* New allocation in the Philippines

* Gough Island to be activated

The RSGB ARDF World Championships team flies out to Serbia on Monday 10 September. All nine of the UK competitors are self funded. UK ARDF events using the IARU rules have been run by the RSGB since 2002. In contrast, most eastern European nations have been pursuing this radio sport for over 50 years and have a great deal of experience. These nations dominate the results, with Russia, the Ukraine and the Czech Republic particularly successful. There are four days of competition and the results will be posted on the event website each evening at www.ardf2012.org. Wednesday 12th sees the first of the classic races with both the 3.5 and 144MHz bands in use. The inaugural World Sprint ARDF championships take place on Thursday 13th and this format uses 3.5MHz. Friday 14th is the second day of the classic races, with competitors using the band they did not use two days earlier. Finally there is a Fox-Oring race on the Saturday and this also uses the 3.5MHz band. Watch out for the M40 and M70 team results. In the individual results, Andrew G4KWQ (M40) and David M3WDD (M50) are our best prospects and there is a chance that the RSGB might get someone on the podium for the first time.

Amateurs in the Philippines have been granted some additional spectrum. Depending on licence class, amateurs will be permitted to operate from 135.7kHz to 137.8kHz, 472kHz to 479kHz and 7.201MHz to 7.3MHz, with Class B and Class C allowed to operate HF mobile.

ZS6KX will be going to Gough Island sometime this month. He is hoping to be issued the callsign ZD9KX. If you made contact with a ZD5KN on Gough Island you will not be getting any credit for the contact as that callsign has never been issued.

The Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society has organised a social event in Coventry and all are welcome. It will take place on 14 to16 September. The main event is a gala dinner on the Saturday evening and will include pre-dinner drinks and entertainment. On Saturday a coach trip from the hotel in Coventry to the National Memorial Arboretum is also

to be run as part of the event. Membership of the RNARS is not a requirement to attend this social event. Details are on the RNARS website.

Cray Valley members started operating 2O12L on 25 July, in the first 10 hours over 3,300 contacts were made. The station closes at 4pm today, 9 September. As well as introducing visitors to amateur radio the station exceeded the world record for special event station QSOs on 21 August and reached their target figure of 60,000 QSOs at 2305UTC on Friday 31 August.

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North Norfolk Amateur Radio Club Car Boot Sale will take place today, 9 September, at Muckleburgh Military Collection, Weybourne NR25 7EG. Radio & non radio pitches are available from 7am, doors open 10am. The Radio Museum will be open and admission is free. For further information see www.gb2mc.com.

The Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club Rally will also take place today, 9 September, in the Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney. Details from Bren, 2E0BDS on 01754 820 060.

The AMSAT-UK Space Colloquium is next weekend, 15 & 16 September, at the Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ. There will be a lecture programme as well as demonstrations. See the website at www.uk.amsat.org for more details.

On 16 September, the Torbay Annual Communications Fair will be held at Newton Abbot Racecourse, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 3AF. There will be trade stands and Bring & Buy as well as an RSGB bookstall. Doors open from 10am and admission is £2. Details from Mike Dixon on 01803 557 941.

Now for the news of special events

It is planned that GB2OWM will be on the air at the Orkney Wireless Museum at Kiln Corner, Kirkwall between Thursday 6 September and Wednesday 12 September during the 22nd Orkney International Science Festival. Listen out for the station between 2 and 4.30pm on weekdays and Sunday afternoons and on Saturday morning between 10am and 12.30pm. Operation will be primarily on HF SSB.

To celebrate the 39th Ryder Cup, GB39RC will be operational from Verulam Golf Club in St Albans until 30 September. Operation will be on 10, 15, 20 and 40m using mostly CW and RTTY. Full details of the QSL route is given on QRZ.com.

The RNARS will put GB0CGT on the air during their social in Coventry from 14 to 16 September. Using the HF bands, including WARC bands, from 80m to 10m as well as 2m and 70cm, the station will operating CW, SSB

and FM. The RNARS operating frequencies will be used where possible.

Pontefract & District ARS will be operating GB4BOB from 1 to 16 September to commemorate those who fought and died in the Battle of Britain. QSL cards will be sent out on receipt of a card, either direct to G0BPK or via the bureau to the GB call. Full details are on QRZ.com.

South Lancs Amateur Radio Club will be on the air as GB1BAS from the site that was Bickershaw & Abram Station, which closed 48 years ago. On the air from 0000UTC on 22 September until 1400 on 23 September, they plan to use the 80, 40, 20, 10, 2m and 70cm bands.

British Railways Amateur Radio Society is holding an International Railway Radio Amateurs Congress between 13 and 17 September and will be operating GB5IFC on those dates from Top Band to 70cm. Currently nine European countries are attending.

On 16 September, Grantham Fire Station will be holding an open day and GB0LFR has been allocated for this event. Listen out for them on all bands.

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Lance, W7GJ will conduct a 6m EME DXpedition to Niue on from 7 to 21 September. QSL direct to his home callsign. Further information, including details on the QSO procedure that he uses is at www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm.

>From 7 to 21 September, Bob, ZL1RS will be active as E6RS on 2m EME. QSL via his home callsign. Further details are online at www.qsl.net/zl1rs/zk2.html.

Michael, DF8AN will operate mainly CW as FR/DF8AN from Reunion Island, which is IOTA reference AF-016, until 10 September. QSL via his home callsign.

Riccardo, IZ5JMX is active as IM0/IZ5JMX from San Pietro Island, IOTA EU-165, until 14 September. He will operate holiday style on 10 to 40 metres SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

Now the contest news

Today, 9 September, the second 70MHz contest takes place from 0900 to 1200UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Finishing at 2359 today, the 9th, the WAE DX SSB contest has been taking place. European stations can only work non European stations for this contest. Using all contest bands from 3.5 to 28MHz, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC on 11 September. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 80m Club Sprint takes place on 12 September from 1900 to 2030UTC. Using SSB the exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name.

The Worked All Britain 144MHz QRO Contest takes place on Sunday 16 September from 1000 to 1400UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and also log sheets can be obtained from the WAB website www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the contest manager G3XKT, e-mail aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 11 September 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 31st of August to Thursday the 6th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 7th of September.

Considering there were two large and magnetically complex groups visible, they both remained relatively quiet and only produced numerous C class solar flares except for a single M1 solar flare on the 6th. Solar flux levels increased to 146 units on the 1st but then gradually declined to 128 by the 6th. The average was 137 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 6th remained unchanged from the previous week at 124 units. X-ray flux levels declined from B9.8 units on the 1st to B4.4 by the 6th and the average was B6.9 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels on the 31st with an Ap index of only 3 units but by the 3rd activity increased to peak at 40 units. This was in response to a coronal mass ejection that departed the Sun on the 31st. Just as that storm was declining a coronal hole disturbance arrived which allowed geomagnetic activity to continue to the end of the period. The average was Ap 20 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 290 kilometres per second to peak at 590 by the 5th. Particle densities increased to 54 particles per cubic centimetre on the 3rd and remained elevated at around 20 particles per cubic centimetre till the 6th. Bz varied between minus 3 and plus 2 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 23 and plus 15 nanoTeslas on the 3rd. A good week for many VHF/UHF operators, with a stable high pressure system producing extended tropo propagation on 144MHz and above, particularly towards France, Germany and Spain. Also, disturbed geomagnetic levels on the 3rd resulted in auroral propagation on 6 and 2 metres lasting some twelve hours and, at its peak, extending down to central England.

And finally the solar forecast from Sunday the 9th of September. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to rotate into view, therefore, solar activity should be low with only C class solar flares taking place. Solar flux levels are expected to decline and be in the 90's later in the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet until later in the week, when a small recurring coronal hole is expected to arrive and last into the weekend. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 11MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate

will be around 23MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate is expected to be 18MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB

website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running its radio rally and sale at Friskney Village Hall, Church Road, Friskney, PE22 8RR from 9am today. There's a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm, and on Friday there is a club net via GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the Second 70MHz Contest today. Wednesday sees the 80m Club Sprint and a natter night. Next weekend there's the Saturday surgery in the shack from 0900. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. Tuesday sees a pre-AGM committee meeting, and there's a social evening in the shack on Friday. Next weekend's special event station at Stoke Prior Steam Rally starts on Saturday. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Central Radio Amateur Circle is running an Intermediate course via Skype on Tuesday. On Thursday there's a night on the air on 145.300MHz from 20:00. Friday sees the start of the 3-day Transmission 2012 BWFB event, and next Saturday there's the weekend event at the Black Country Boating Festival. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio- circle@live.co.uk.

South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a club net on 145.525MHz from 2000 BST on Wednesday. Next Sunday they are attending the Fire Station open day and operating GB0FRS. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

South Birmingham Radio Society has training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL on Thursday, then shack and aerial work on Friday. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding its AGM. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on ATUs by Bob, G3PLP, with graphics and visual aids prepared by Mike, M0AZE. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Eagle Radio Group is having a talk on gas pipelines by Anne Gilberthorpe. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an open forum, with topics chosen on the night. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

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On Thursday Salop Amateur Radio Society has its construction contest. Details on the web at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday Tamworth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Chris Maxwell on aerials, SWR and the ATU. Contact Darren, by email to secretary@tars.es.

On Friday Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having a VHF night. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society has the 4th round of the G2FDC Trophy. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on UHF and wind farms at by Ed Aksamit. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on operating caravan portable by David Littlewood, G6DCT. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday Workington and District Radio and IT Group is having a social evening. For more information contact Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092.

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a radio doctor night with Bob, G3VVT. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having a night on the air on 145.575MHz from 7.30. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday South Lancashire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on HF bicycle and pedestrian mobile by Dave Starkie, G4AKC. This presentation is open to non members. Contact Allan Green, 2E0RAG, on 07533 970 841.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on digital modes by Terry, G6CRF. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio magazines evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio in Japan by Vic, JA5VQ. Contact Alan J Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz from 8pm on Monday. On Wednesday there is a talk on bygone days by Collin, G8BCO, 7.30 for 8.00pm. Friday sees a 2m net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

On Friday 14 September Radio Society of Harrow is having a surplus equipment sale on Friday. Saturday sees GX3EFX/P at Pinner Village Fair. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society has a 2m club net. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a construction evening with Dave, G8VXB. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday West Kent Amateur Radio Society has its club construction challenge, led by Richard, G8CDD. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday South Essex Amateur Radio Society has a talk by Dave, G4UVJ, asking what is amateur radio?. Contact Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Tuesday Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating night. Contact Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a members forum - bring along your radio equipment. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Darenth Valley Radio Society Radio is on the air and is having a natter night. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Mark Haynes, M0DXR, on the FT5XO Kerguelen DXpedition - the DX trip with a bit of everything. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening and taking part in the 80m SSB Sprint contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club night with CW practice from 8.30 -9pm. Details from Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday Edgware & District Radio Society is having a talk on how to spend a Tuesday evening getting involved with a short contest run by the RSGB. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is announcing the results of its annual rally. Contact David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

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On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society asks members to discuss what they did in the holidays. Details from John Burnett,

M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is watching a DVD. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Thursday Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group from 7.30pm at the Rose and Crown, Sandridge. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on unravelling the loop by Vic, G3NVB. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and testing equipment for railways weekend. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its summer camp retrospective. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is watching an amateur radio video at the Moose Centre on Monday at 19:00. The 2m net is on Tuesday and the 4m net on Thursday. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a portable RV. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Tuesday Plymouth Radio Club is having a talk by Chris Parker, M0ZCP on advanced repeater and Echolink use. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a demonstration and explanation of the popular HF digital mode PSK31. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club has an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is running an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES Blackwood Amateur Radio Society will be starting Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced courses shortly. Enrolment will be on Friday 14 September from 6.30pm at Oakdale Comprehensive School, near Blackwood, South Wales. Further details are on the web at www.gw6gw.co.uk.

On Thursday Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club meeting. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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1725. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 03 - 09 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-10 15:30:09 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
03 - 09 September 2012

Three M1 flares this week brought solar activity to moderate levels.
Region 1560 (N03, L=128, class/area=Eki/350 on 03 September) was the
largest and most magnetically complex (beta-gamma-delta) of the
week. It produced the first M-flare on September 6th at 0413Z before
rotating around the west limb the next day. Region 1564 (S14, L=68,
class/area=Esi/270 on 05 September) followed with a long-duration M1
event on September 8th at 1759Z and another on September 9th at
2236Z. None of the M1 flares were accompanied by significant radio
emissions, or coronal mass ejections (CMEs).

The week began with the end of an energetic particle event. The 10
MeV proton flux was above the 10 pfu threshold on September 3rd and
fell below on the 4th at 0625Z after reaching a maximum of 59 pfu
three days earlier. Later, a coronal mass ejection from beyond the
west limb was observed on September 8th, first visible in SOHO/LASCO
C2 coronagraph imagery at 1000Z. The event that produced the CME was
also believed to be responsible for a 10 MeV proton enhancement
which began around 1200Z. The peak 10 MeV flux during the
enhancement was 1 pfu.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels on September 7th and 8th and at high levels on
September 9th. The remainder of the week was at background levels.

Geomagnetic activity was propelled to major storm levels this week
by the arrival of three CMEs. The first arrived at 03/1214Z when a
sudden impulse of 28 nT was observed at the Boulder magnetometer.
The disturbed geomagnetic field reached minor storm levels (Kp=5,
G1) by 03/1312Z, and major storm levels (Kp=6, G2) by 03/1500Z.
Conditions decreased to active levels for two periods before rising
again to minor storm levels at 04/0000Z. The geomagnetic field
returned to quiet to active levels until September 5th when two CMEs
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observed on September 2nd arrived simultaneously. An interplanetary shock was observed at the ACE spacecraft at 04/2203Z. The subsequent arrival at earth caused the magnetic field to jump to major storm levels by 05/0144Z. Kp indices then decreased one level each synoptic period until reaching Kp=2 by 05/15Z. On both September 3rd and 5th, the College, AK magnetometer recorded a period of severe storm (K=7,G3) levels. A solar sector boundary change brought active conditions for one period on the 6th, but the remainder of the week was mostly quiet.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
10 September - 06 October 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low with a chance for moderate activity through the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 10-11, 18-20 and 24-27 September.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet to unsettled. Active conditions are possible on 14-16 and 19-22 September, and again on 03-05 October associated with coronal hole high speed streams.

1726. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 10 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-10 16:54:04 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-253 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW TV Interview on HAMRADIONOW.tv

Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, producer and host of the HAMRADIONOW.tv webcasts interviewed AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW at the Shelby North Carolina Hamfest. Barry's interview provides an in-depth update on AMSAT activities and plans.

As Gary says, "So there's a lot going on at AMSAT. Exciting stuff like commanding a remote-control vehicle with instructions relayed through the ISS (think Mars Curiosity Rover)". As Barry said, "This isn't your grandfather's AMSAT anymore".

Barry discussed AMSAT's exciting projects including:

Project Fox Cubesat developmentAMSAT selection for NASA's ELaNa launch programAMSAT development of missions meeting STEM educational goalsAMSAT-ARRL-ARISS teamworkFuture opportunities in spaceHow you can join and help

Watch the 60 minute interview at HAMRADIONOW.tv, Episode 19.

While you are on the Amateur Radio Video News website please "click the pig" if you can donate to this amateur radio video series.

[ANS thanks Gary Pearce, KN4AQ and Amateur Radio Video News for the above information]

Board of Directors Ballots Due by September 15

If your ballot for the 2012 AMSAT Board of Directors election has not hit the mail yet you gotta do it today!

AMSAT Corporate Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA reminds all AMSAT-NA members, "Your ballots for the 2012 Board of Directors election need to be received at AMSAT-NA headquarters by September 15th, 2012. This is one of your best opportunities to make your views on the path of our organization known."

Ballots for the 2012 AMSAT-NA Board of Directors election have been mailed to all members. Also included is biographical information about each of the candidates.

Select no more than three of the six listed candidates (in alphabetical order):

Tom Clark, K3IOSteve Coy, K8UDMark Hammond, N8MHLou McFadin, W5DIDGould Smith, WA4SXMPatrick E. Stoddard, WD9EWK

The 3 candidates receiving the most votes will become directors serving 2 year terms. The 2 receiving the next highest number of votes will be seated as alternates for 1 year terms.

You must mail your ballot back to be received at the AMSAT-NA Office no later than the close of business on September 15, 2012:

AMSAT

850 Sligo Avenue, #600

Silver Spring, MD 20910

[ANS thanks AMSAT Corporate Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for the above information]

Register On-line for the AMSAT 2012 Space Symposium

AMSAT announces that the registration for the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium, to be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th is now open on-line. A mail-in option is also available those preferring this approach.

Visit the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration. Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page.

Prices for the Symposium are:

Symposium Registration including Proceedings

Through September 23, 2012: $ 45.00Starting September 24, 2012: $ 50.00At the Door: $ 55.00
Saturday Evening Banquet $ 45.00Sunday Morning Area Coordinators☐ Breakfast $ 15.00Monday (Oct 29) bus trip to KSC and entrance ticket $ 100.00

The Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet-Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

The Symposium Hotel is the Holiday Inn at Orlando-International Airport is located one mile from the Orlando International Airport (MCO). The AMSAT discount rate is $99 + taxes per night. The reservation block code used when calling the hotel directly is AMT.

The hotel telephone number is 407-851-6400. The Symposium Committee recommends you make reservations by calling the hotel directly rather than through the Web. Cutoff date for reservations is Oct 6, 2012. Additional information is available on the hotel web page. The hotel offers free Internet connection and free airport shuttle.

When you arrive at the Orlando Airport call 407-709-5310 to request the shuttle.

The Orlando International Airport (MCO) is the closest to the Symposium and is served by most major air carriers. The hotel address is: 5750 T.G. Lee Blvd ☐ Orlando, FL 32822. A map link is included on the hotel web page.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

Final Call - AMSAT 2012 Space Symposium Papers Due October 1

Symposium Proceedings Editor, Dan Schultz, N8FGV reminds authors the final copy of your paper for the 2012 Space Symposium is due by October 1, 2012. Dan requests a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings. Abstracts and papers should be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv at amsat.org

Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community:

Papers for publication in the ProceedingsSymposium PresentationsPoster PresentationsEquipment and Operating Demonstrations

The Symposium Committee still has prime slots available on the speaker's schedule. The AMSAT Symposium depends on YOU to make it happen, without speakers there is no Symposium.

Please consider doing a presentation, even if you have never done so in the past. We are especially interested in papers and presentations involving our educational partnerships with K-12 and university level classrooms. Education is quickly becoming critical for our future rides to space.

[ANS thanks 2012 Symposium Proceedings Editor Dan Schultz, N8FGV for the above information]

Israeli Students Developing Duchifat-1 145.825 MHz APRS CubeSat

The SpaceDuchifat-1 is an experimental and educational CubeSat developed and built by young Israeli students at the Space Laboratory of the Herzliya Science Centre (HSC). The project is directed by Dr. Ana Heller with support from the Herzliya city municipality and the Israeli Amateur Radio Club.

The CubeSat will carry an APRS digipeater operating on 145.825 MHz and a UHF/VHF 1200 bps BPSK transceiver that can provide a CW beacon and an FM to DSB transponder.

The main mission of the satellite is to transmit real-time information via radio amateur packets from a Low Earth Orbit (LEO) using the Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) protocol. Duchifat-1 will allow remote travelers to access the satellite for worldwide position/status reporting and messaging even in the case of using

simple handheld or mobile radios with Omni-directional whip antennas.

Due to the lack of APRS digipeating coverage on the 145.825 MHz frequency remote travelers, ships at sea, and stations in many parts of the world are presently unable to use the APRS system. The Duchifat-1 satellite will augment the existing worldwide terrestrial Amateur Radio APRS by adding LEO satellite coverage along with the International Space Station APRS digipeater.

Real-time position reporting uses the Global Positioning System (GPS) of the groundstation and will allow transmission of a wide variety of data including short text messages and telemetry data. The reports will be combined with a computer and mapping software to display the data superimposed on maps at a HSC Ground Station.

No launch or orbit details are presently available.

[ANS thanks HSL Space Laboratory at the Herzliya Science Center in Israel for the above information]

Astronaut EVA Activity Delays ISS CubeSat Deployment Schedule

A critical EVA was conducted at the International Space Station on Wednesday, September 5 by Astronauts Sunita Williams (KD5PLB) and Akihiko Hoshide (KE5DNI) to complete the installation of a spare power unit on the station's truss, which caused problems during an August 30 spacewalk.

During the August 30 EVA Williams and Hoside spent 8 hours and 17 minutes in space, but failed to install a new Main Bus Switching Unit (MBSU) on the station's s-zero truss as they had difficulties driving the bolts to secure the equipment. The MBSU is a heavy component that is used to relay power from the station's solar arrays to its systems.

This additional EVA activity drove schedule changes in which JAXA announced that the deployment of five CubeSats from the ISS planned for September 10 has been postponed. A new deployment date has not yet been announced.

Four of the CubeSats carry Amateur Radio payloads, they are F-1, FITSAT-1, WE-WISH and TechEdSat. Please refer to ANS-197 for the detailed list of CubeSat radio frequencies and operating modes.

The CubeSats are mounted in a JEM-Small Satellite Orbital Deployer (J-SSOD). In one pod are FITSAT-1, TechEdSat and F-1 and in the second pod is WeWish and a scientific 2U CubeSat RAIKO. Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide KE5DNI will use the ISS Kibo robot arm to deploy the pods as demonstrated in this YouTube video.

ELaNa Cubesats to Launch From Vandenberg September 13 - Thursday!

The Atlas V NROL-36 launch from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, originally planned for August is now ready for launch on September 13. Liftoff is planned during a period between 1:45 and 4:15 p.m. local PDT (4:45-7:15 p.m. EDT; 2045-2315 GMT).

This launch will be carrying a pair of ocean surveillance satellites to locate ships at sea. Also aboard this flight at four cubesats as part of ELaNa IV mission and seven cubesats for government missions.

The ELaNa Cubesats aboard are:

CINEMA (Cubesat for Ion, Neutral, Electron, Magnetic fields)

Downlinks for engineering telemetry and command are in the 2400-2450 MHz range; Science telemetry is in 2200-2300 MHz range.
CSSWE (Colorado Student Space Weather Experiment)

Downlink 437.345 MHz, 9k6 with AX25
CP5 (PolySat)

Downlink 437.405 MHz at 1 watt, AFSK on LSB AX.25 over NRZI at 1200 baud, every 2 minutes, begins 3.5 hours after first turn-on.
CXBN (Cosmic X-Ray Background Nanosatellite)

Downlink 437.525 MHz, GFSK, AX.25

The US Government Satellites aboard are:

+ Aeneas

First cubesat to deploy 2.4 GHz Dish Antenna. WIFI transmitter will transmit on 2425.0 MHz with 1 watt of output power.Downlink 437.600 MHz AX25 1200 bps beacon every 10 seconds and spread spectrum two-way link elsewhere in the 70cm band.Will test a 20-inch mesh antenna to track electronic tags on shipping containers in the open ocean.
+ ORSES (ORS Enabler Satellite)+ Horus+ Re

Will be used for the optical tracking of space debris
+ Aerocube 4A, 4B, 4C

Testing deployable solar panels.Technology demonstration of □parachute-like□ devices to deorbit satellites. Testing closed-loop attitude control system based around a three-axis gyroscope.

A discussion of the launch re-scheduling can be found on NASASpaceFlightNow.com. A detailed article of the launch can be found on AmericaSpace.org. Please refer to ANS-211 for mission summaries and satellite team web pages.

[ANS thanks NASA, the CubeSat Teams noted above, AMSAT-UK, Gunter's Space Page and nasaspaceflightnow.com for the above information]

AMSAT Store Grand Reopening

The AMSAT Store is fully open for business after being updated. All the usual AMSAT software, hardware, and clothing are available, as is the registration for the AMSAT 2012 Symposium and activities. Please stop by, even if you are just looking.

You can also find a link to the AMSAT Store from the AMSAT web page. It is the bottom button on the list on the

left side of the main page.

If you don't find what you are looking for here, contact Martha at the main office:

E-mail at martha@amsat.orgFrom the US call toll free at (888) 322-6728From all other locations call (301) 589-6062Fax (301) 608-3410Regular mail: AMSAT, 850 Sligo Ave. Suite 600, Silver Spring, MD 20910

[ANS thanks Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for tha above information]

Successful ARISS Contacts With Germany, Japan, and Maryland

Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI participated in two ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) contacts over the past week. He spoke with students attending Megina Gymnasium Mayen in Mayen, Germany on Friday, August 31 and with youth from the Iruma Junior Ham Club in Iruma, Japan on Sunday, September 2.

Sunita Williams, KD5PLB picked up a third ARISS contact with the National Electronics Museum in Linthicum, Maryland on Saturday, September 1. The radio contacts were integrated into comprehensive science and math lessons.

[ANS thanks Carol Jackson, KB3LKI, for the above information]

September 9 Launch From India Planned for Japan PROITERES Satellite

The Japanese amateur radio satellite PROITERES is planned to launch Sunday, September 9 at 0421 UT from the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Satish Dhawan space centre. The satellites SPOT6 and mRESINS will be on the same launch into a 695 km × 695 km, 98.2° inclination orbit.

PROITERES was built by a team of students and faculty members of Osaka Institute of Technology (OIT) and the spacecraft aims to demonstrate powered flight using a Pulsed Plasma Thruster (PPT) engine. Its amateur radio callsign is JL3YZK.

PROITERES stands for PRoject of OIT Electric-Rocket-Engine Onboard Small Space Ship and will transmit on 437.485 MHz FM/AFSK. The spacecraft carries a camera and the two CPU□s run the Linux operating system.

PROITERES, Osaka Institute of Technology, Japan

Launch : 9 Sep 2012 4:21UTC (9:51IST)Vehicle: PSLV-CA with SPOT6 and mRESINSSite : Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota, India 30cm^3, 10kg, 10W, 437.485MHz FM/AFSK

The PROITERES Google English website contains the most up-to-date information. There is also an English language website. Watch a video showing ISRO launch prepartion for PROITERES.

[ANS thanks Mineo Wakita, JE9PEL and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Help Wanted: AMSAT News Service Rotating Editor Positions Available

The AMSAT News Service (ANS) is responsible for researching, writing, editing, and publishing the weekly amateur satellite news bulletins.

After the passing of Dee, NB2F, we currently have a two editors who take a turn weekly to publish the bulletins. With the addition of a volunteer, or two, this would generally involve taking a turn about every 3 to 4 weeks.

At present we a looking for interested satellite enthusiasts to join the ANS editorial team. Professional writing/editing experience is NOT a requirement. Your interest and enthusiasm in following and reporting on amateur radio in space will get you started! The ANS Editor team helps each other by rounding up items of interest. Plus we receive submitted items for

publication ... so you won't be left all alone!

If you can commit to working on the bulletins for a week on a rotating basis please reply via e-mail to AMSAT News Service Editor JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM via k9jkm at amsat.org.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Vice-President User Services, Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Listen for Tom Deeble, KA6SIP operating on FO-29, SO-50, and AO-27 satellites from the north shore of Kauai in the Hawaiian Islands. Tom is running a dual FT-817 setup with an Arrow antenna and ARR 440 preamp. Since this is a family trip he will try to operate on satellites in his spare time. He will be on Kauai until Friday, September 14.Plan ahead! Scouting's Jamboree on the Air is coming up the weekend of October 20. If you know of local scout groups latch on to them and hopefully let's make the satellites come alive with Scout to Scout contacts. It may end up being the high point for many of the Scouts involved with JOTA. (Tom Schuessler, N5HYP)Congratulations Bob Bruninga, WB4APR as the ARRL announced him as the winner of the August QST Cover Plaque award. Bob's article is ☐Rethinking Electrical Power for the Ham.☐ The QST Cover Plaque award is given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue of QST Magazine and is determined by a vote of ARRL members. (ARRL)Enjoy a simulated flyover of the most intriguing landmarks on giant asteroid Vesta, as seen by NASA's Dawn spacecraft.Congratulations to Hector, CO6CBF on his successful amateur radio and satellite demonstration in the town's central park at Aguada de Pasajeros, Cuba. Hector reports 21 stations were worked on 3 satellite passes. He was also able to demonstrate receiving the contact between the ISS and K3CUJ at the National Electronics Museum in Linthicum, MD. His gear includes a mobile 2m FM radio with a homebrew 70cm/2m down converter for receive, a 2M Kenwood TK-270 HT for transmit. He operates with the HT in one hand and his homebrew Arrow Antenna with a homebrew preamplifier in the other hand.Earth-Mars-Earth Radio Message Received by Curiosity Controllers Utilizing the radio relay capability of the Mars Science Laboratory Curiosity Rover on the surface of Mars, an international network of telecommunications relay orbiters around Mars and NASA's Deep Space Network (DSN) voice playback of NASA Administrator Charles Bolden's message to JPL's Mars mission crew was played for the team on August, 27, 2012. The video and audio of the relayed message are available from NASA.AMSAT Commemorative Shirt for the 2012 Symposium is only available by mail order. If you have not received a copy of the order form you can download and print a copy from the the link on the AMSAT Web Page. The deadline for receiving your mail order is September 21, 2012.The next Hudson Valley Satcom net dates are Thursday, September 13, and September 27, 8 PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available on the N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)YouTube Space Lab Live Broadcast of Space Experiments: NASA has partnered with Space Adventures and YouTube on

a global competition that challenged 14-18 year old students to design a science experiment to be performed in space. The winning experiments were conducted aboard the International Space Station, or ISS, and the results will be revealed live on YouTube. Of the 2,000 experiment ideas received from students in over 80 countries, only two were chosen to fly to space. The live broadcast can be seen on September 13, 2012, at 10:30 a.m. EDT (UTC-4).NASA's Digital Learning Network, or DLN, is hosting a special event on September 17, 2012, at 1 p.m. EDT to commemorate the departure of space shuttle Endeavour. Watch the live webstream from NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida as space shuttle Endeavour continues her journey on the back of the Shuttle Carrier Aircraft, a modified 747, to its final destination at the California Science Center in the heart of Los Angeles.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind if you give a man a fish, he will eat today ... Promise a man a million fish, he will contribute heap big wampum to your tribal election campaign fund.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

K9JKM at amsat dot org

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Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast Episode 3: So You Have Your License, Now What

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 05:55 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360944-Youth-in-Amateur-Radio-Podcast-Episode-3-So-You-Have-Your-License-Now-What&goto=newpost

Episode 3 of the Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast has been released. In this episode, we discuss what you should do after earning your Amateur Radio License in all areas including your first radio and joining a radio club. You can find it at http://yarphams.com, under our rss feeds, or on itunes under Youth in Amateur Radio podcast.

-The YARP Team-

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Hams -- File Written Testimony on HOA Restrictions!!

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 01:52 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360922-Hams-File-Written-Testimony-on-HOA-Restrictions!!&goto=newpost

On Wednesday, September 12, Capitol Hill Hearings on "Resilient Communications" will be held before the Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee of the House Homeland Security Committee. The Subcommittee is chaired by Representative Gus Bilirakis (R-FL) and the Ranking Minority Member is Representative Laura Richardson (D-CA).

Since Amateur Radio is one of the most "resilient" of America's "resilient" communications -- a true Emergency Communications asset in a disaster or a megadisaster -- Written Testimony about ham radio survivability is relevant to these Hearings.

NICK LEGGETT N3NL of Virginia and I have already filed Written Testimony, calling for new legislation to override over-regulation of ham antennas by Homeowners' Associations (HOAs) and landlords.

Before September 12, at least 2 other parties plan to file Written Testimony that hammers home the same basic point. One of these parties is ROBERT C. BOYD, M.D. WA5VSK of Texas. (For a copy, contact "Doc" at wa5vsk@gmail.com) In addition, DON SCHELLHARDT, ESQUIRE KI4PMG of Connecticut will be filing comprehensive Written Testimony on behalf of HAMS FOR ACTION (HFA). (For a copy, contact Don at djslaw@gmail.com)

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If you wish to write up and submit your own Written Testimony for the September 12 Hearings:

A. ATTACH the document, clearly labeled as Written Testimony, to an E-Mail. Only one copy is needed. Your cover E-Mail Message should start with "Dear Chairman Bilirakis and Ranking Minority Member Richardson:".

B. Say this, or something like this, EXPLICITLY: "I respectfully request you to place this Written Testimony into the public record for the September 12 Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee Hearings on 'Resilient Communications'."

C. Send the E-Mail to homeland.security@mail.house.gov (for Representative Gus Bilirakis, R-FL) and nicole.johnson@mail.house.gov (for Representative Laura Richardson, D-CA)

You MUST send this E-Mail. and Attached Testimony, ON OR BEFORE the day of the Hearing: Wednesday, September 12. Earlier is probably better.

On Behalf of Hams For Action,

Lee McVey

W6EM

Leeds, AL

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9/11 FDNY Audio & NEW NORAD-FAA Audio on W5TXR.net website

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 11:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360836-9-11-FDNY-Audio-amp-NEW-NORAD-FAA-Audio-on-W5TXR-net-website&goto=newpost

Again, every September,On my website www.w5txr.net is the historic FDNY 9/11 Audio as it unfolds!

NEW this year !! Just put up on my website, The FAA-NORAD recorded audio from the beginning of the 9/11 incident.

Warning! Both are very chilling !! TheFAA-NORAD Audio is transcribed on the video.

The NORAD-FAA Audio toggles between the FAA and NORAD It is in chronological order!

www.w5txr.net click on "Historical Audio Archives" Then Click on either the first or second 9/11 recording.

W5TXR

Mark A. Lacy

1727. eHam.net News for Monday 10 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-10 22:42:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c7de96dbd004c960aa95@google.com>
Source record: 2094
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hams Drill During State Exercise:

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28956

Amateur Radio operators take part in a recent statewide emergency exercise to drill in providing emergency communications. Amateur radio operators of the Connecticut Amateur Radio Emergency Service (CT ARES) in Region 2 supported the recent four day statewide emergency exercise as they simultaneously conducted their Simulated Emergency Test 2012 in the Region, which includes 30 municipalities in South Central Connecticut. The Simulated Emergency Test is an opportunity for amateur radio operators to drill in providing emergency communications. With amateur radio operators, known as Hams, strategically placed across the region, they demonstrated their ability to get the message through from local Emergency Operation Center locations to the State Region 2 Office.

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How Will You Communicate in an Emergency?

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28955

If an emergency were to hit Poway right now, how would you get information? How would you reach your family? The Poway Neighborhood Emergency Corps held its bimonthly meeting Thursday night, discussing exactly this topic. Three different aspects of emergency communication were covered last night: how the City of Poway communicates to the public in an emergency, how to use amateur (or ham) radios and two-way radios, and how to make and maintain contact lists to use in emergencies. The topic of communication was in preparation for the citywide drill the city will be holding sometime next month, where they will test the lines of emergency communication in the city. PNEC will also be participating in the drill, to be held on an unannounced day, where the members will be testing their own emergency communication set-ups.

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Hams File Written Testimony on HOAs:

Posted: 08 Sep 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28954

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1728. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 10 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 02:54:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61488eb806a304c964316f@google.com>
Source record: 2095
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio club offers free ham radio classes - The Chronicle

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEreL2fR4KrxaU98rF5kLiMI67-6w&url=http://chroniclenewspaper.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID%3D/20120910/ENTERTAINMENT/120919998/Amateur-radio-club-offers-free-ham-radio-classes-

The Chronicle
Amateur radio club offers free ham radio classes
The Chronicle
GOSHEN — The Orange County Amateur Radio Club will be offering instructional classes starting Sept. 29, 2012, to enable citizens of any age to obtain their first ham radio license. This entry-level license, authorized by the FCC, is called the ...

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Pasco Co. Hamfest Saturday Sept. 22nd - Examiner.com

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 10:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFINamp0YxC3n0axQaGeQ680wUOUw&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/pasco-co-hamfest-saturday-sept-22nd

Examiner.com
Pasco Co. Hamfest Saturday Sept. 22nd
Examiner.com
The Suncoast Amateur Radio Club of New Port Richey, FL is holding its 21st annual hamfest and amateur radio tailgate flea market on Saturday, Sept. 22nd, 2012 on S.R.54 in Odessa. The hamfest is held in a parking area adjacent to the Gunn Highway Flea ...

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India Launches 100th Mission - Space.com

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 02:38 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHtL5eKiW0rkD-PnevTdDXzLbTJVQ&url=http://www.space.com/17529-india-launch-photos-100th-space-mission.html

India Launches 100th Mission
Space.com
India Launches 100th Mission. India launches its 100th space mission on Sept. 9, 2012, with the successful flight of this Polar Satellite Launch

Vehicle carrying the Spot 6 communications satellite and Proiteres amateur radio satellite. The mission ...

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Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa worldwide transmission updates - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 10:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEmaPnQE06xiBbILvpDj1Aj-4axlw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/radio_hargeisa_worldwide_transmission_updates.htm

Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa worldwide transmission updates
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Quote "I suspect that Mr. Suleiman (technical Director) may be taking steps to find a better 41 meter band frequency, outside the amateur radio (ham radio) band. This would presumably put it somewhere higher than 7,200 kilohertz. Nevertheless, he does ...

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Stateline Area Community Calendar - Beloit Daily News

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 02:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHQlc0EzqiRGh_xNUlKWIclDphZ2g&url=http://www.beloitdailynews.com/community/stateline-area-community-calendar/article_44c1e328-fb5f-11e1-8e1a-0019bb2963f4.html

Stateline Area Community Calendar
Beloit Daily News
Monday, Sept. 10. GREATER BELOIT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB will meet at 7 p.m. at the main fire station, Park and Church streets in Beloit. All “Hams” are invited. For more information, call Conrad W9DL at 608-466-7062. STATELINE SINGLES bowling starts ...

and more

1729. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-055E - Tropical Storm Leslie lies 1079 kms southof Sydney Nova Scotia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 04:21:15 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <504EBBBB.2050607@rac.ca>
Source record: 2096
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-055E - Tropical Storm Leslie lies 1079 kms south of Sydney Nova Scotia
2012-09-10

Advisories from the Canadian Hurricane Center place Leslie 1079 kms south of Sydney, Nova Scotia and it is travelling NNE at 30 kms per hour. Latest
reports show it gaining speed and intensity, with landfall projected between the Burin and Avalon Peninsula's around 1200Z Tuesday plus/minus 3 hours.
More than 100 mm of rain has already fallen in Nova Scotia.

Predicted rainfall of 100-150mm is expected along with winds of 100 - 150 kms per hour. AS this storm approaches all operators are encouraged to ensure
your own home and family are safe, and during the event your cooperation in keeping the IARU COA frequencies clear is appreciated. The COA (Center of
Activity) frequencies are 21.360, 18.160, 14.300, 7.060 and 3.760. In addition, please monitor all local repeaters in the event that your assistance is
required.

Thank you and please stay safe.

73,

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1730. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 11 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 06:33:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044785e373b83704c9673f9a@google.com>
Source record: 2097
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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The Starke Hamfest November 24th

Posted: 09 Sep 2012 06:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360948-The-Starke-Hamfest-November-24th&goto=newpost

Mark your calendars for November the 24th the Saturday after Thanksgiving. For The Starke Hamfest We need your help in order to make this a big success. We are looking for venders with equipment for sale and people looking to buy. We can not make this a great event with out your support. This year the hamfest will be held at the Starke Country Club just East of Starke on CR 230. This year it will be held inside out of the weather. Also we have a covered area out side if you prefer that. Also an area for tailgaters. If you like to play golf you can do that also. So come on out for a day of ham radio, golf and meeting up with some ole friends. Plenty of places to sit and relax. Please help support Amateur Radio and we hope to see you their. Here is a link to the web site for more information. http://starkehamfest.info/ Talk in on 145.150 73's and God Bless

1731. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 11 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 11:06:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba614b26128dd704c96b11a1@google.com>
Source record: 2098
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Icom UK releases innovative RC-28 IP remote control system for its range of
HF Amateur Radio Base Stations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aHQiuy-Q_wk/icom_rc_28_ip.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Icom UK is pleased to launch the RC-28 IP remote control system that allows
a user to control selected Icom HF Amateur radio transceivers through an IP
Network.
Once installed, it will provide a new level of flexibility to your radio
operation

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80th Anniversary of Practical Wireless Magazine - GB80PW on the air
Thursday September 13th

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Mks_ZwNaT4w/80th_anniversary_of_practical_wireless_magazine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The GB80PW Special Event callsign is being aired each month until December
2012 – but Thursday September 13th is a very special day as it marks the
actual 80th anniversary of the first publication of the (then weekly) PW in
September 1932

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EME 2012 presentation videos now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/V9qB5vf7H1Q/eme_2012_presentation_videos_now_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The presentations given at the successful EME 2012 event in Cambridge are
available on the web thanks to the dedicated volunteers from BATC

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Banbury Canal Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Y7Hgt1nbsH0/banbury_canal_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Sunday October 7th, the Banbury Amateur Radio Society will be running an amateur radio station from Spiceball Park in Banbury as part of the 2012 Banbury Canal Day event

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Explosion on Jupiter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JWQRRmHH4VI/explosion_on_jupiter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur astronomers are reporting a bright fireball on Jupiter - apparently the result of a small asteroid hitting the planet during the early hours of September 10th

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Scandinavian Activity Contest CW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v3tuy-5m6ms/scandinavian_activity_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

SI9AM will be active in the SAC CW Contest September 15 to 16 by SM3EAE, SM3FJF and SM5SIC

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D709tOiFrIo/wca_1109.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Igor UR9LD and Yuri UR5LTV will be active today, the 11th of September 2012, from Belyaus Fortress

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German students delighted with ARISS contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2gr_5iO5EVE/german_students_delighted_with_ariss_contact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between on-orbit astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB and students at the Gymnasium Michelstadt in Michelstadt, Germany on Friday, September 7

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Tropical Storm Leslie 1079 kms south of Sydney, Nova Scotia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lt6CbyrPVuM/tropical_storm_leslie.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As this storm approaches all operators are encouraged to ensure your own home and family are safe, and during the event your cooperation in keeping the IARU COA frequencies clear is appreciated

1732. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 11 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 16:14:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bac43aa854c04c96f5f41@google.com>
Source record: 2099
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Lost Contact With Balloon, Looking For Listeners.

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 06:33 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361087-Lost-Contact-With-Balloon-Looking-For-Listeners&goto=newpost

Last Sunday evening The High Altitude Balloon Group Near Space Sciences launched EarthBreeze II, their 51st of these high altitude balloon experiments. We have been doing these flights for almost 25 years now and are always trying something new.

All was going well for the first three hours of flight. Then as it was nearing the coldest altitude, It began to operate oddly. Maybe some background of the flight is in order here first. Please go to the following web page to learn all about this flight. It is a very unique flight.

http://www.qsl.net/nss/earthbreeze.html

Ok, symptoms of behaving oddly. As I said as the payload traveled into the colder parts of it's journey, one of the last telemetries had it being -47 deg C! The RTTY transmissions were designed to have a 200 Hz shift. controlled by a crystal. As the flight continued on, this shift was widening. towards the end it was almost double at about 400 Hz shift. Also additional symptoms were the actual frequencies were rising higher and higher in the waterfall audio passband. Towards the end almost a full KC higher than intended. This of course was also controlled by a crystal. So being nearly -50 deg C it was expected.

But what started to happen next was not expected. The transmitter was set to transmit at 15 seconds after the minute. This was being controlled by the clock in the GPS system. It was slowly transmitting later and later and later, and nearly a full minute late towards the end.

Then the last transmissions heard were very strange. Longitude position of -184 degrees? It should have parked at this time at near 70 thousand feet. Then the last transmission came down, and it was a very wide shift RTTY signal probably close to 500 Hz and did not have enough time to adjust the software for a decode. in addition in the short transmission, what 10 seconds? it swept in frequency a good 400 Hz down in the waterfall.

That was the last anyone has heard from it.

Now we are asking for everyone to listen for it. Unless the electronics were actually damaged by the cold, once they thaw out, this should start to transmit again. even if the on-board batteries die it should still transmit during the day because of the solar panels. If it's still flying it may still be froze up since it's in a location where last checked it is -55 deg C, but it has to come down eventually, and then it will warm up, if it hasn't landed already. Even on the ground this can be heard, pre launch it was being heard by several stations via skip.

So we are looking for people to try to hear this run away payload. unless it was damaged, it should eventually come back to life.

Any info or questions feel free to ask.

Joe WB9SBD

Mission Director

Near Space Sciences

nss@mwt.net

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New ICQ Amateur/Ham Radio Podcast Released - Good audio with Julius D Jones, W2IHY

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 11:31 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361009-New-ICQ-Amateur-Ham-Radio-Podcast-Released-Good-audio-with-Julius-D-Jones-W2IHY&goto=newpost

Series Five Episode Nineteen of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Martin (M1MRB) interviews Julius D Jones (W2IHY) about good audio.

Emergency Network in Dominican Republic activated Hams come online to help with Asia disasters Philippine Radio Hams get 7200-7300 kHz PB100, Netherlands Special Event Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th birthday Region 1 EMC WG to asked to reconsider PLT policy Repeater Directory Android App now available Coastal station VIP marks its 100 years Broadcaster vacates 40m amateur band Has 2O12L broken a world record?

Download the episode for free at http://www.icqpodcast.com

Visit the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/groups/19198252373/

Listen to streamed audio content for the technology enthusiast - http://www.hobbytechradio.com

1733. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 11 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 16:16:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934080b4fd8d704c96f6522@google.com>
Source record: 2100
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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5H3NP Tanzania

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 09:02 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361099-5H3NP-Tanzania&goto=newpost

WB0VGI will be active from Tanzania 8 October -15 December 2012 as 5H3NP

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/5h3np_tanzania/

73 Al 4L5A

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B-17 "City of Savannah" Special Event Station WW2COS on Sept 15 for USAF Birthday

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 08:33 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361096-B-17-quot-City-of-Savannah-quot-Special-Event-Station-WW2COS-on-Sept-15-for-USAF-Birthday&goto=newpost

The Coastal Amateur Radio Society in Savannah, GA will be operating special event station WW2COS from the radio compartment of the B-17 bomber "City of Savannah" to celebrate the 65th birthday of the U.S. Air Force. We will be operating a combination of vintage and modern radio gear and will be streaming live video from the compartment. QSL information and link for video stream can be found at our QRZ.com entry for WW2COS. Video feed can be seen at k4gtm.blogspot.com.

We will scroll the current operating frequency across the video feed.

Date: Sept. 15, 2012

Time: 1000 til 1700 EST

Location: Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum in Pooler, GA

Restoration Team Patch.jpgB-17 group photo.jpg

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B-17 group photo.jpg
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9M2PJU/P

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 02:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361074-9M2PJU-P&goto=newpost

Hello, i will be active with my amateur radio friends at Pertak river dam, Kuala Kubu Bharu, Selangor for 2 days starting 22 and 23 September 2012. QRV on 20m and 15m CW mode. My callsign also listed on http://www.arrl.org/active-stations presenting Federated Malay States for the ARRL Diamond DXCC Award Challenge. Don't forget to look me on the cluster. I'm ok on qrz.com, QSL cards are welcome, SWL report is fine.

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SU55J Egypt

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 02:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361022-SU55J-Egypt&goto=newpost

The Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development (ERASD) is announcing for a special event "Egypt 2012 CQ CQ CQ".

This Event is gathering the Radio Amateurs from all over the world to enjoy the Radio activity and the fabulous Egypt.

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/su55j_egypt/

73 Al 4L5A

1734. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 18:55:40 UTC
From: Keith Bogroll <kbogroll@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <5cdf1490-d1d2-4b80-a4ca-9e6cef60c9d1@h4g2000yqo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2001
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Sep 8, 1:14 pm, "MM3QRO/MM" <mm3...@yjahoo.com> wrote:
> Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed wrote:
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> QUESTION:
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> is it still a condition of a GB-special event station,
> that the location be accessible to the public?
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80th Anniversary of Practical Wireless Magazine - GB80PW on the air
Thursday September 13th

The GB80PW Special Event callsign is being aired each month until
December 2012 – but Thursday September 13th is a very special day as
it marks the actual 80th anniversary of the first publication of the
(then weekly) PW in September 1932.

The Editor Rob Mannion G3XFD will be operating the station from around
0930 local time from his home in Bournemouth with the help of Phil
Ciotti G3XBZ on this very special Thursday.

1735. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 8 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 18:58:08 UTC
From: Keith Bogroll <kbogroll@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <62c0316d-a27b-4403-91f0-e80e1ec4912d@y12g2000yqg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2002
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Sep 11, 7:55 pm, Keith Bogroll <kbogr...@gmail.com> wrote:
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1736. eHam.net News for Tuesday 11 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-11 22:33:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc0c747e48b04c974a96b@google.com>
Source record: 2003
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Plasma Powered Amateur Radio Satellite PROITERES Launched:

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28964

The Japanese amateur radio satellite PROITERES was launched Sunday, September 9 at 0423 UT on PSLV-C21 from the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Satish Dhawan space centre. The satellite SPOT6 was on the same launch into a 654 km × 643 km, 98.28º inclination orbit. The rocket was fitted with the mini Redundant Strapdown Inertial Navigation System (mRESINS). PROITERES was built by a team of students and faculty members of Osaka Institute of Technology (OIT) and the spacecraft aims to demonstrate powered flight using a Pulsed Plasma Thruster (PPT) engine. Mike Rupprecht DK3WN reported hearing PROITERES, callsign JL3YZK, on 437.485 MHz at 07:36 UT.

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Effort to Save Tesla Lab Gets Surprise Web Jolt:

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28963

Online Donors Give More Than $1 Million to Aid Wardenclyffe Site in Shoreham: In 1901, visionary Nikola Tesla began building a 187-foot-tall wooden tower on the North Shore of Long Island, dreaming of sending wireless Morse code messages over the Atlantic and even transmitting electricity through the atmosphere. After experiments two years later -- during which nearby residents reported hearing a thunder-like noise and seeing light emanate from the spire -- Tesla lost his equipment to creditors and was sued for back taxes. The tower was later demolished with dynamite. Now, more than a century after the renowned scientist and inventor founded the experimental site known as Wardenclyffe in Shoreham, his fans have raised more than $1 million in an effort to save what is left of his Long Island facility: a boarded-up brick building that is the last remaining Tesla laboratory in the world. Using the crowdfunding website IndieGoGo.com, the campaign sparked donations from more than 25,000 Tesla supporters in 102 countries, hitting the $1 million mark in nine days and providing a jolt of attention for the long-dead scientist.

1737. NZART Headquarters Infoline Special issue 32s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-12 01:10:57 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <39CF819084ED458D94E854B3DC4546F1@BACKUPW7>
Source record: 2004
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 32s

11 September 2012

List of Call Signs of Amateurs that RSM has been unable to contact and callsigns that RSM has been informed were held by Silent Keys.

As members will be aware (see HQ Infolines 221 and 243), Radio Spectrum Management have been attempting to contact all the Amateurs listed in SMART to see whether the information held is correct and up-to-date. (Under the Radio Communication Act 1989, Section 24A, Amateurs are required to update changes of address within 1 month of the address change.)

RSM have managed to contact most Amateurs but there are over 150 (see below) who they have not been able to contact either by email or post. The call signs of these amateurs, many of whom are Silent Keys, have been moved into a special “reserved” category in SMART and will become available for reallocation in about a year’s time unless the holder contacts RSM.

ZL1: ZL1ABM, ZL1ACD, ZL1AFE, ZL1AHP, ZL1AIF, ZL1AK, ZL1ALX, ZL1ANE, ZL1ANP,ZL1AOH, ZL1AOI, ZL1AQU, ZL1ASY, ZL1AWX, ZL1AXZ, ZL1AZX, ZL1BCN,ZL1BDE, ZL1BDQ, ZL1BDT, ZL1BF, ZL1BFH, ZL1BJN, ZL1BNJ, ZL1BPA, ZL1BQO,ZL1BRS, ZL1BWS, ZL1BXX, ZL1BYY, ZL1CAD, ZL1CCJ, ZL1COD, ZL1CWD,ZL1DGD, ZL1DW, ZL1FL, ZL1GAD, ZL1HY, ZL1JBM, ZL1JF, ZL1KZ, ZL1LFA,ZL1NY, ZL1PJR, ZL1RAW, ZL1RRV, ZL1SV, ZL1TAL, ZL1TBL, ZL1THG,ZL1TIF, ZL1TOQ, ZL1TS, ZL1TZS, ZL1UDZ, ZL1UED, ZL1UEL, ZL1UF, ZL1UJW,ZL1ULS, ZL1UND, ZL1UNS, ZL1UUN, ZL1VAH, ZL1VIM, ZL1WA, ZL1WEN ZL2: ZL2AAO, ZL2ADM, ZL2AGC, ZL2AGM, ZL2AJJ, ZL2AKE, ZL2AKN, ZL2ALC,ZL2AOA, ZL2AQI, ZL2ARY, ZL2ATM, ZL2ATO, ZL2AVR, ZL2AWA, ZL2BBA,ZL2BEK, ZL2BGI, ZL2BHM, ZL2BLO, ZL2BN, ZL2DM, ZL2EST, ZL2GA,ZL2GMP, ZL2IO, ZL2JC, ZL2JR, ZL2JT, ZL2KAS, ZL2LU, ZL2LUK, ZL2MNZ,ZL2NH, ZL2OG, ZL2OT, ZL2SS, ZL2TAK, ZL2TAS, ZL2THX, ZL2TJO, ZL2TK,ZL2TKL, ZL2TNM, ZL2TOO, ZL2TPS, ZL2TRT, ZL2TUI, ZL2UAJ, ZL2UBU,ZL2UCD, ZL2UDO, ZL2UT, ZL2VCM, ZL2VJW, ZL2WI ZL3: ZL3AAB, ZL3ABU, ZL3AFS, ZL3AGB, ZL3AIX, ZL3BRB, ZL3DYL, ZL3GN, ZL3GV,ZL3GW, ZL3JMC, ZL3JW, ZL3KV, ZL3MO, ZL3OD, ZL3PD, ZL3RC, ZL3RD, ZL3RE,ZL3SO, ZL3TAN, ZL3TCK, ZL3TGN, ZL3TK, ZL3TUM, ZL3UPS, ZL3VAB, ZL3WEJ ZL4: ZL4BI, ZL4ECD, ZL4GT, ZL4KH, ZL4KU, ZL4KV, ZL4MX, ZL4QG, ZL4SR,ZL4TAD, ZL4TDT, ZL4TFY, ZL4TKK, ZL4UPB, ZL4WF, ZL4WZThere is a chance that some of these callsigns belong to active Amateurs. If you know anybody on the list who is still active, please ask them to contact RSM at rsmlicensing@med.govt.nz or phone the Business Service Centre on 0508 776 4636 ASAP as otherwise they will lose their callsign!

Jeff Hicks Manager Licensing RSM

Lorne Douglas ZL2AHB NZART Call Book Compiler

Don Wallace ZL2TLL Administration Liaison Officer

Debby Morgan ZL2DL ARX NZART Business Manager

You have received this message because you are subscribed on an NZART infoline list.

If you wish to be removed from this list, please visit:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

1738. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 11 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-12 02:11:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93998bd6615b604c977b6b9@google.com>
Source record: 2005
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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On second try, commission approves cell tower in disputed location -
LaGrange Daily News

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 09:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGQEMH2_PIhDJQPXMTiiJeXxteE3Q&url=http://www.lagrangenews.com/view/full_story/20112872/article-On-second-try--commission-approves-cell-tower-in-disputed-location?instance%3Dpopular

On second try, commission approves cell tower in disputed location
LaGrange Daily News
7 meeting, commissioners did not vote on the request by American Tower and AT&T to place a 105-foot cellphone tower at the site after a lengthy public hearing where several ham radio operators and area residents opposed the move. Commission Chairman ...

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Local Ham Radio Operators on Standby to Help Storm Victims - OzarksFirst.com

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 08:29 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHF8AN1hnPwjYonVt2PfQdEcl1YZQ&url=http://ozarksfirst.com/fulltext?nxd_id%3D695012

Local Ham Radio Operators on Standby to Help Storm Victims
OzarksFirst.com
said Rob Reid, Amateur Radio Operator. Reid is one of the 30,000 Amateur Radio Operators in Missouri that serves as a one-man-communication center. When the internet and smart phones fail, Ham Operators become the most reliable way to pass ...
Ham radio operators on stand by for Isaackjrh.com

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Ham radio is not an 'old man's hobby', say enthusiasts - Canada.com

Posted: 06 Sep 2012 11:25 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGycF7lCom2RQ42766aE5UbmRrCgw&url=http://www.canada.com/radio%2Bhobby%2Benthusiasts/7200950/story.html

Ham radio is not an old mans hobby, say enthusiasts
Canada.com
Hosted by the Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association, Ham Happenings is a chance for amateur radio enthusiasts to swap gadgets and for newcomers to learn

more about how it all works. A station will be set up so people can try transmitting on the radio.
ARNewsline Report 1830 -- Sept 7 2012:eHam.net
Newly Licenced Foundation HoldersSouthgate Amateur Radio Club

all 3 news articles

1739. The ARRL Contest Update for September 12, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-12 05:56:49 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120912042240.B5CD72603D@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2006
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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September 12, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The Run for the Bacon contest is a slow-speed-CW friendly contest just right for beginners. It happens on the third Sunday of every month. If you like something more fast-paced, try the North American Phone Sprint - radio's version of slam dancing! And if you have a boat-anchor radio gathering dust - try putting it on the air during the Classic Exchange contests.

BULLETINS

ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean Kutzko KX9X, reports that he scraped together some spare change and put several more quarters in the Propagation Enhancement Machine located in the basement of W1AW, thus insuring good conditions during the 2012-2013 contest season.

BUSTED QSOS

Dick W0RAA noticed that the QST "Contest Corral" for September (pg.79) has the wrong dates for two major contests. CQ WW RTTY should be listed as Sep 29, 0000Z to Sep 30, 2400Z and the Texas QSO Party should be listed as beginning at Sep 29, 1400Z. A new online PDF has been uploaded on the ARRL contest calendar website <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar>.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Sep 15-16

- ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest
- North American Sprint--Phone
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Sep 12)
- CIS DX PSK Contest
- Scandinavian Activity Contest--CW
- South Carolina QSO Party
- Feld-Hell Hell on Wheels Sprint
- Washington State Salmon Run
- Classic Exchange--Phone
- 144 MHz Fall VHF Sprint (Sep 17)
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Sep 17)

Sep 22-23

- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Sep 20)
- FOC QSO Party--CW
- Classic Exchange--CW
- BARTG Sprint 75--Digital
- 222 MHz Fall VHF Sprint (Sep 25)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The "Quake Contesters" - ZL3X - are a new contest group in ZL3 and are planning to be on for the CQWW RTTY Contest - it may be the first ZL RTTY multiop station in that contest. The station will operate from a hillside in Christchurch overlooking the ocean. The operators note that many contesters do not turn their beam to ZL, so don't miss out! They've sorted out a secret handshake and everything so watch for the team of ZL3PAH, ZL3DMC, ZL3GK, ZL4PLM, ZL3DW, ZL3GA, and ZL3AB. (From the Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com/> for 10 Sep)

The Scandinavian Activity Contest (<http://sactest.net/>SAC) sponsors report a renewed website with

- searchable scores
- downloadable awards
- announcements for participants activity
- new log robot with built-in calculations with immediate claimed scores listings

This year the contest will offer something new, the SAC National Team Contest Trial with real-time score reporting together with live video and audio. (Thanks, SAC CC Teamleader, Ingo SM5AJV)

Bob WA1Z will be releasing another version of the Super Check Partial <http://www.supercheckpartial.com/>database files on September 16th, 2012. Bob requests that you send him your contest logs to develop the database. "Please attach in an email the same Cabrillo format log that you submitted to the contest sponsor and send it to

mailto:logs@supercheckpartial.com. Logs from any contest within the last 24 months are always appreciated.

Scott N3FJP <http://www.n3fjp.com/> notes, "The Ontario Section Change has already been incorporated into Field Day, November Sweepstakes and the ARRL 160 contest logging software. I've been getting e-mail from folks daily who are just discovering that Ontario has been split into four sections and are wondering if I will update my software accordingly. The new versions for these contests are already on the website, so please be sure to download the latest before the upcoming contests." Scott's advice applies to ALL contesters, regardless of their logging software - don't be caught unprepared. Make sure your logging software is upgraded now and don't miss out on the new Ontario multipliers!

>From the September issue of the ARRL's Public Information Officer newsletter CONTACT! <http://www.arrl.org/current-contact-issue> "It's time to begin pulling your plans together for the October 2012 Jamboree on the Air that will be held October 20 and 21. Last year's effort saw a 600% increase in reported Scout participation in the USA --- 3,000+ American Scouts were a part of exciting activities and a superb introduction to the fun and technology of Amateur Radio." To help make JOTA a success, you can register your station <http://www.scouting.org/jota/station_registration.aspx> online, as well.

The World Maker Faire <http://makerfaire.com/newyork/2012/index.html> takes place over the Sep 29-30 weekend in New York City's Hall of Science. If you're in the neighborhood, don't miss it! Ham radio will be featured by the Hall of Science Radio Club's "100 Years of Ham Radio Makers <http://makerfaire.com/pub/e/9039>" exhibit.

Good job to the British - the Olympic Games went off swimmingly and, more importantly, the 2O12L <http://www.2o12l.com/> station made nearly 70,000 QSOs - one of the best special event station efforts ever. 2O12W <http://www.2o12w.com/> was a supporting station from Whitmore Bay in Wales. Strong work and congratulations!

Web Site of the Week - The second running of the CWops-sponsored "CW Open <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html>" contest was held on September 1 and 2. This contest is in a novel format with three separately scored and awarded "sessions" all creating a burst of activity. There are other contests with the multiple-session format as well. This allows an operator to be competitive in any 4-hour session. Reminiscent of the Stew Perry Contest, the unique multiplier rules also make it possible for someone running a modest station and wire antennas to amass point scores that can compete with big-gun stations running QRO with gain antennas. (Thanks, Alan AD6E and Rob K6RB)

WORD TO THE WISE

Logs Submitted - Many contests post a list of logs that have been received on their web site. For example, see the ARRL Logs Received <http://www.arrl.org/logs-received> page. Every log submitted for an ARRL contest accepted by the email-handling robot generates an entry with category, location, club, date received, etc. You can avoid unpleasant surprises when the results are published by checking this page after emailing your log. Be sure to read the robot's return message, too - if there are problems with the format of your log, correct them with a text editor and resubmit the log. When the robot is happy, it will generate a confirmation number for you - save it in case there are any questions later. Once your log is listed, you can be confident that it is safe and sound.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

SM0JHF's story "Contesting from Tunisia" in the latest (Sep/Oct) issue of the National Contest Journal <http://www.ncjweb.com/> caught my eye - there are some great pictures of the 3V8SS station. In addition, the station custodian, Ashraf KF5EYY maintains an excellent website <http://www.kf5eyy.com> with lots more information, videos, and photos of 3V8SS and elsewhere.

Those big numbers generated by the W3AO Field Day team are depicted in a series of photographs <http://www.n3aln.com/W3AOFD2012.htm> by Alan N3ALN. It makes me tired just looking at the guys working away to get that station and antennas set up!

This illustration of the electric field <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4KBTzwhyr3o&feature=share> a thunderstorm can generate suggests an interesting possibility for a lightning detector. It would probably also work in a snowstorm or windstorm. One LED conducting in each direction would catch both polarities of discharge. Using the LED in an opto-coupler or opto-isolator might also make a good alarm or at least turn on a bigger light. (Thanks, Jeff K1NSS)

John K7HV is on a quest to work 100 DXCC entities with his Argonaut - each new DXCC counter is recorded on video as he works it. You can watch him knock them off on YouTube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t8Fb9oAW2OQ&feature=bf_prev&list=SP677A093C75EB5C55.>. This particular Argonaut has some notoriety being previously owned by Homer K7RA (SK) and Danny K7SS - both QRP top guns from the Pacific NW.

What if they could make these critters <http://spectrum.ieee.org/automaton/robotics/military-robots/latest-ls3-alphadog-prototypes-get-less-noisy-more-brainy> climb towers and carry your tool kit?

Take a few minutes and watch <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zLekEzL1jtw&feature=plcp> our favorite Chief Science Officer put the Vulcan Death Grip on some poor operating practices!

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Results for the ARRL August (RTTY) Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> are now online. Certificates for the 2011 ARRL September VHF Contest went out the door a couple of days ago, too. You can follow the ARRL Contest Branch's awards processing status online <http://www.arrl.org/plaques-and-certificates>. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The WRTC-2014 Event Scores <http://www.wrtc2014.org/qualifying/qualification-standings/> based upon the latest official published contest results are now posted. Updates included since the last posting cover the 2011 Oceania DX, CQ WW, and All-Asia. The 2012 ARRL DX scores are also included. Over 24,000 different operators have submitted scores in those events. Nine additional qualifying events have taken place for which official results are not yet available. There are only six months left in the qualifying period! (Thanks, WRTC-2014 Team Selection Director, Dan K1TO)

Bob N6TV points us to an "unofficial" WRTC-2014 qualification standings web site <http://wrtc-rank.com/> that includes claimed scores from many of the more recent contests.

Logs from the WRTC 2012 Station Test <http://www.wrtc2014.org/competition/2012-station-test/> are now available for download, as well. These are provided to help WRTC competitors study the propagation they can expect in 2014. (Thanks, WRTC-2014 Co-Chair, Randy, K5ZD)

Results for the 2012 Wisconsin QSO Party <http://www.warac.org/wqp/wqp.htm> are now online. The contest now features a Beginner category with a separate results listing. "The Beginner category was created as a two-year category, toget you started. Two years - meaning you can only enter as a Beginner two times, and then you will need to move to a different category." There was also quite a horse race between the first- and second-place out-of-state single-op finishers. (Thanks, Tom K9BTQ and Lynn K9KR)

OPERATING TIP

"It is impossible to send code and sneeze at the same time." - Kate K6HTN

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

The wonderful and timeless Bell Labs training film, "Similarities in Wave Behavior <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DovunOxlY1k>" hosted by Dr J.N. Shive is now available online as a video. The mechanical version of a transmission line is used to show velocity of propagation, reflections, standing waves, and other phenomena. The explanation of SWR is particularly clear - if you've ever been mystified at how SWR "works", this video is a must-see. The AT&T Archives <http://techchannel.att.com/showpage.cfm?ATT-Archives> have more material, as well.

Gene WB8WKU cleared up some confusion about solder composition recently. "The solder that has the lowest melting point is (by weight) 63% tin (Sn), 37% lead (Pb). This ratio also has the same temperatures for "starts to melt" and "completely melted"; i.e., no temperature range with "pasty" solder. Note the greater amount of tin, not lead, because tin melts at a lower temperature than lead. Note also that tin is more expensive than lead. 60Sn/40Pb melts very close to 63Sn/37Pb and has only a small pasty range." Manfred XQ6FOD recommends these two web pages from the University of Bolton <http://www.ami.ac.uk/courses/topics/0244_tsm/index.html> and the European Space Agency <http://spaceflight.esa.int/impress/text/education/Solidification/Phase_Diagrams.html> for more detailed information and phase diagrams of tin lead solders or other alloys.

Guy wires are pretty important so it is important to maintain them and tighten them properly. This document from Casar on wire rope <http://www.wescovan.com/catalogs/handling&maintenance.pdf> provides a lot of information. The "cyclic method <http://www.wirelessestimator.com/industryinfoselect.cfm?categid=697>" of tensioning is often recommended and is described here online. (Thanks, Joen G3JVC/GM3JVC)

A sequence of articles about LED basics <http://www.edn.com/design/led/4391454/The-Nuts---Bolts-of-LEDs-Part-I> is available from EDN magazine beginning with Part 1 of the series.

Dave K1WHS had to cancel his multioperator plans for the ARRL September Contest due to corrosion of his tower guy anchor. One anchor failed but did not cause the loss of the tower. As Dave describes it, "The problem occurred as a result of high levels of iron pyrite, FeS2, in the rock formation. It oxidizes and transforms to FeSO4 and can form acids by mixing with water and air. The steel near the rock is badly corroded, while the portion of the steel above ground is undamaged and looks good as new." If your soil conditions are similar, a regular inspection program is in order!

This online story by John Titus of EDN, "Send Your Kids to College With Tools <http://www.designnews.com/author.asp?section_id=1386&doc_id=249979&itc=dn_analysis_element&cid=NL_Newsletters+-+DN+Daily&dfpPParams=ind_183,aid_249979&dfpLayout=blog>" caught my eye. It reminds me of the "teach a man to fish" parable - every boy and girl should learn some basic tool skills while growing up.

Technical Web Site of the Week - The IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society <http://www.ieeeaps.org/> has announced its fourth Student Design Contest. To enter the Antenna Design Challenge, build an antenna system with reconfigurable antenna elements that can adapt to different propagation conditions (e.g. line-of-sight versus non-line-of-sight). The top three teams will receive up to $2,500 (US dollars) in travel funds to attend the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Symposium in Orlando, FL, USA, July 7-13, 2013 to demonstrate their working systems. The

written reports of the three finalists will also be published in the IEEE Antennas and Propagation Magazine. More details are available on the society's website. While you are visiting the site, check out the article "Who Was James Clerk Maxwell and What Was/Is His Electromagnetic Theory?" by Sarkar, Salazar-Palma, and Sengupta.

==> CONVERSATION

A Job Well Done

In an announcement if not unexpected in its eventuality then surely in its abruptness, long-time CQ World Wide Contest Director, Bob Cox K3EST retired as the contest's Director and as CQ magazine's Director of Contesting. From CQ's press release announcing Bob's retirement, "Cox has been at the helm of the CQWW for 35 years, guiding the contest through massive changes in technology - both on and off the air - and CQWW's growth to become the world's most popular amateur radio contest." Indeed, CQ WW has grown to be one of the five biggest sporting events on the planet with thousands and thousands of participants simultaneously taking to the airwaves.

Bob became the contest's Director in 1977, sharing duties with Larry Brockman, then WA6EPQ and now N6AR until 1994. Since then, Bob has been the face and voice of the contest. Like many hams in my age bracket, the CQ WW contests were my first taste of what a Really Big Contest sounded like. With its everybody-works-everybody format, you really had to compete to make long-haul DX contacts through piles of closer or better-located stations. It is not unusual to hear a station pull out six successive calls from six different continents when the bands are open. I think my first WW contest was in 1973, so except for my first few years, Bob has been managing the contest in which I've participated almost every year of my ham career.

Another veritable sequoia in the forest of radiosport, Fred K3ZO, weighed in via the Potomac Valley Radio Club reflector with some recollections about the early days of the contest. "In those pre-PC days log checking was done by hand on paper logs. I remember helping Bob out. Occasionally by luck you would catch something fishy. I remember checking a log...liberally salted...with lots of multipliers right toward the end of the contest. The catch was that the calls...were mostly stations that had not been active since at least ten years before then. Bob was also wise to take counsel from Dick Norton N6AA who was a pioneer in figuring out ways to catch log obfuscation even before we had PCs to help us.

"It is no accident that the CQWW is the world's premier contest with greater numbers of participants by far than any other Amateur Radio contest. Bob's idea of signing up a corps of advisers from all over the world is still a unique undertaking in the world of contesting, and has given contesters world-wide the sense that they have a piece of the action. He has also always maintained that the contest not only exists for the high scorers but he always emphasized that if it wasn't for the

"little guys'" who help the big guns maintain their high rates, those scores wouldn't be nearly as high. He has always tried to make the contest rewarding for all participants no matter how meager their scores or their stations. Thus the massive numbers of certificates that go out to participants each year."

Bob was also instrumental in rescuing the WRTC for its 1996 event after plans for a 1994 WRTC failed to achieve orbit. He sits on the WRTC Sanctioning Committee today, still contributing after 26 years. From the CQ press release, "In making his announcement to members of the CQ World Wide Contest Committee, Bob said, "35 years encompasses almost the entire history of modern contesting. All the way from paper logs to today's need for instant answers. During that time a framework was created that made the CQWW the innovator of almost everything used in contesting today including log checking." He added, "With that in mind...I am tired and wish to move on with other interests.""

I can only imagine the uncountable hours that Bob has dedicated to our sport - mostly uncompensated except for the satisfaction of seeing the contest and all that goes with it grow and flourish. He has suffered the slings and arrows as well for implementing stiff quality measures in log checking and in administering the rules. Hell hath no fury like a penalized contester! But it is precisely because of those efforts that so many focus so intently on the CQ WW - they know that to do well in the World Wide means something important. It sets the standards high and expects us all to live up to them, even though during the competition there is often no one there to judge our ethics. What may be Bob's biggest contribution - along with the rest of the CQ WW Committee who also deserve high praise - is that a standard has been set and maintained. We would forget that lesson at our peril and to our discredit.

As of today, no replacement for Bob has been named with the last full weekend of October looming on the next calendar sheet. Airline tickets have been purchased. Stations are being prepared. Technique is being honed. As Fred said in closing and to which I can add nothing, "Well done Bob. Yours will be a hard act to follow!"

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

September 12-25

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

North American Sprint-- Phone, from Sep 16, 0000Z to Sep 16, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Call signs, serial, name, and state.

Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test-- CW, from Sep 12, 1300Z - see website. Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies: 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

CIS DX PSK Contest-- Digital, from Sep 15, 1200Z to Sep 16, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and DXDA code. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eupsk.com/>

Scandinavian Activity Contest-- CW, from Sep 15, 1200Z to Sep 16, 1159Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.sactest.net/>

South Carolina QSO Party-- Phone, CW, from Sep 15, 1400Z to Sep 16, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+, Frequencies (MHz): CW--1.815, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045, 50.095; Phone--1.865, 3,810, 7.190, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450, 50.135. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 18. Rules <http://scqso.com/>

Feld-Hell Hell on Wheels Sprint-- Digital, from Sep 15, 1600Z to Sep 15, 1800Z. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

Washington State Salmon Run-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 15, 1600Z to Sep 16, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies: See website. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 16. Rules <http://www.wwdxc.org/>

Classic Exchange-- Phone, from Sep 16, 1300Z to Sep 17, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies (MHz): SSB--1.885, 3.87, 7.28, 14.27, 21.37, 28.39; AM--1.89, 3.88, 7.16, 7.29, 14.286, 21.42, 29.0. Exchange: Name, RS, S/P/C, type of equipment. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

Run For the Bacon-- CW, from Sep 17, 0100Z to Sep 17, 0300Z. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies (MHz): CW--1.812, 3.562, 7.044, 7.104. 14.062, 21.062, 27.185, 28.062. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint-- CW, from Sep 20, 0030Z to Sep 20, 0230Z. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

FOC QSO Party-- CW, from Sep 22, 0000Z to Sep 22, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, name, FOC nr if member. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.g4foc.org/>

Classic Exchange-- CW, from Sep 23, 1300Z to Sep 24, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies (MHz): SSB--1.885, 3.87, 7.28, 14.27, 21.37, 28.39; AM--1.89, 3.88, 7.16, 7.29, 14.286, 21.42, 29.0. Exchange: Name, RS, S/P/C, type of equipment. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://www.classicexchange.org/>

BARTG Sprint 75-- Digital, from Sep 23, 1700Z to Sep 23, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial. Logs due: Nov 1. Rules <http://www.bartg.org.uk/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL 10 GHz Cumulative Contest-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 15, 6 AM to Sep 16, 12 midnight. Bands (MHz): 10G+. Exchange: 6-character grid locator. Logs due: Oct 16. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

144 MHz Fall VHF Sprint-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 17, 7 PM to Sep 17, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 144. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

222 MHz Fall VHF Sprint-- Phone, CW, Digital, from Sep 25, 7 PM to Sep 25, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 222. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

South Carolina QSO Party-- Phone, CW, from Sep 15, 1400Z to Sep 16, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+, Frequencies (MHz): CW--1.815, 3.545, 7.045, 14.045, 21.045, 28.045, 50.095; Phone--1.865, 3,810, 7.190, 14.250, 21.300, 28.450, 50.135. Exchange: RS(T) and county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 18. Rules <http://scqso.com/>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

September 12-25

- September 12 - 50 MHz Fall Sprint <http://www.svhfs.org/2012fallsprintrules.pdf>
- September 13 - NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint <http://naqcc-eu.org/SprintHelp/SprintRules.pdf>

- September 15 - North American Sprint, CW
<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>
- September 15 - CVA DX Contest <http://www.craec.org/>
- September 15 - MMMonVHF/DUBUS 144 MHz Meteorscatter Sprint Contest
<http://www.mmmonvhf.de/ctestinfo.php>
- September 16 - SKCC Weekend Sprintathon
<http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/>
- September 17 - DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teilnahmebedingungen/>
- September 18 - RSGB SSB Field Day
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/rssbfd.shtml>
- September 19 - Keyman's Club of Japan Contest
<http://www.kcj-cw.com/contest/12_kcj_contest_rule_e.pdf>
- September 19 - Russian District Award Contest
<http://rdaward.org/rdac1.htm>
- September 20 - CWOps CW Open <http://www.cwops.org/cwopen.html>
- September 21 - PODXS 070 Club Jay Hudak Memorial 80m Sprint
<http://www.podxs070.com/80-meter-jay-hudak-memorial-sprint>
- September 23 - Kulikovo Polye Contest
<http://www.kpctest.ru/?pg=content/ruleen>
- September 24 - Ohio QSO Party <http://www.ohqp.org/adminRules.htm>
- September 24 - WAE DX Contest, SSB
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/rules/>
- September 25 - YO DX HF Contest
<http://www.yodx.ro/en/hf-contest/rules>

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1740. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 12 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-12 11:04:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9399dc5a9ce4404c97f272f@google.com>
Source record: 2007
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS contact planned with school in Sindelfingen, Germany - Downlink audible over Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iJZdAhxWoes/ariss_event_1309.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Thursday September 13 at 07:15 UTC, which is 09.15 CEST, an ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) contact is planned with Gymnasium Unterrieden, Sindelfingen, Germany

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Marcelino Canino Canino Middle School, Dorado, Puerto Rico

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w_ucEmOs_fQ/ariss_event_0409.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact has been planned with participants at Marcelino Canino Canino Middle School, Dorado, Puerto Rico on 12 September

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ARISS contact planned with NASA Goddard Child Development Center, Greenbelt, MD

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CDRi1Lt8hk0/ariss_event_1309b.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at NASA Goddard Child Development Center, Greenbelt, MD on 13 Sept. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately 16:43 UTC. The duration of the contact is approximately 9 minutes and 30 seconds

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Burns Sci-Tech Charter School, Oak Hill, FL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-AMf2J_6zPE/ariss_event_1309c.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Burns Sci-Tech Charter School, Oak Hill, FL on 13 Sept. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately 18:21 UTC

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HamRadioNow - AMSAT Mission to MARS?*

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EHs2HyTpkts/hamradionow_amsat_mission_to_mars.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this HamRadioNow video AMSAT President, Barry Baines WD4ASW, gives an update on what AMSAT is up to now and planning for the future

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California QSO Party

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7FkI_7gTWNY/california_qso_party.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 46th annual California QSO Party starts at 1600 UTC on October 6, 2012. We will strive to have all 58 California counties on the air

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ARDF World Championships this week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v7Tu_xalluE/ardf_world_championships_this_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB ARDF World Championships team flew out to Serbia on Monday 10 September. All nine of the UK competitors are self funded

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2EmmaToc takes to the airwaves

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WISZQnJt5XQ/2emmatoc_takes_to_the_airwaves.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio station Writtle Calling / 2EmmaToc started broadcasting on Tuesday, September 11 with a talk on early radio by Tim Wander G6GUX

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Monster Antenna for ZL9HR

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NM67PUlxAKA/monster_antenna_for_zl9hr.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

DXpedition leader Tommy VK2IR has just finished construction of a 40metre, 2 element Moxon antenna – yes that's right, a two element 40 metre beam is gong on the ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island

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Amateur Radio Theory Classes in Dundalk

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/y79qdXJymaQ/amateur_radio_theory_classes_in_dundalk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur Radio Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at the
Dundalk Amateur Radio Society for preparation to sit the radio theory exam
early in 2013

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Ham radio operation in Finland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZYhtKaMwuD0/ham_radio_operation_in_finland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This documentary about amateur radio in Finland was broadcast by the TV
station YLE in 2005

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K4KGG/1 at Martha's Vineyard

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LJnHi-A8QEY/marthas_vineyard_op.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Larry, K4KGG, will be on Martha's Vineyard (NA-046) as K4KGG/1 from 14 to
18 September 2012

1741. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 12 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-12 16:17:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04446bc9447cfa04c983859c@google.com>
Source record: 2008
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Christmas Island VK9XS 2012

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 07:50 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361205-Christmas-Island-VK9XS-2012&goto=newpost

JA1PBV will be active from Christmas Island 16-20 September and 28-29
September 2012 as VK9XS

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...nd_vk9xs_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

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JW9HH JW8DW Svalbard Islands

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 11:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361178-JW9HH-JW8DW-Svalbard-Islands&goto=newpost

LA9HH and LA8DW will be active from Svalbard Islands 12-19 September 2012
as JW9HH and JW8DW

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-islands_jw5e/

73 Al 4L5A

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FLIGHT 20, For the VETS of WWII, Amateur Balloon Flight

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 07:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361165-FLIGHT-20-For-the-VETS-of-WWII-Amateur-Balloon
-Flight&goto=newpost

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NORTH TEXAS AMATEUR RADIO GROUP TO FLY BALLOON FLIGHT FROM HILLSBORO TEXAS
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FLIGHT 20, ☐For the VETS of WWII☐

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FLIGHT ANNOUNCEMENT

North Texas Balloon Project (NTBP) is a group of amateur (HAM) radio operators from Fort Worth and Dallas and has launched balloons from Cleburne, Clifton, and Hillsboro Airports since before 1991. This is the annual launch and is funded by the amateur radio operators associated with the NTBP.

Please send an email to webmaster@ntexbp.org for further information or to make reports during or after the actual launch. Launch date is September 29, 2012. The back up date will be October 6, 2012.

Mission Number 20, ☐For the VETS of WWII☐, will be held by the North Texas Balloon Project and is planned for launch about 7:30 am on September 29, 2012 from the municipal airport in Hillsboro, Texas, just south of Fort Worth and Dallas. Back up date is October 6, 2012. Several payload packages containing sensors and amateur radios will be carried to nearly 100,000 feet in about 90 minutes by a hydrogen filled balloon and return via parachute in about 50 minutes. Mobile recovery teams will use position reports from the onboard GPS and APRS transmitter on 144.390 MHz and radio direction finding techniques to recover the payloads.

Pre-launch activities will begin about 6:30 am with the HF Launch Net on 7260 +/- 5 kHz, LSB beginning around 8:00 am. A cross band repeater will be activated soon after launch. Uplink is 445.800 MHz and downlink is 147.560 MHz. Handheld VHF radios and scanners can receive the downlink. At the peak altitude ham radio operators from Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana can contact each other using the cross band repeater.

The radios used normally have a range of about 5 to 10 miles, but that range will be extended to about 500 miles at the peak altitude. At the peak altitude, the curvature of the earth is visible. Digital video is recorded for later playback and will be streamed the day of the event. Check our website to see how to watch the event via your computer. APRS packets will transmit the balloon's location about once a minute.

NTEXBP's Team Leader, Tommy Davis said, "In past operations we did the launches for fun and the enjoyment of flight. It involves many different facets of amateur radio and thus a project that many types of amateur radio operators can enjoy together.☐ There is also an educational component utilized by scouting groups, because it involves orienteering and can be counted toward several different merit badges, as well as by teachers for science experiments. Davis said, ☐Area boy scout troops and school classes are invited along with all that are interested.☐

In the event of unfavorable weather or poor jet stream conditions, the launch will occur at a later date. Be sure to check www.ntexbp.org or www.w5sjz.net and other Ham Radio forums and news sources for later information.

The public is invited to come out to the Hillsboro Municipal Airport, located at Exit 3 on Interstate Highway 35W, to watch the launch.

Launch Net will be Friday September 28th at 8pm on 147.28 and carried on Echolink at K5AMM-R (Area 5 US). Live broadcast will be on www.batc.tv ,

member streams, K5PHD.

Operator and Technical Data to follow at www.ntexbp.org or www.w5sjz.net. Reports, questions, APRS and other data may be sent to NTEXBP by emailing webmaster@ntexbp.org .

Please forward to interested Hams and ham communities. I would also appreciate any announcement that could be made on local repeaters during allotted calls for announcements.

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LAUNCH PREPARATION

Payloads: See below

Payload Integrator: Mark Culross, KD5RXT

Name: Flight 20, ☐For the VETS of WWII☐

Launch Site: Hillsboro Airport

Public Relations: Larry Westmoreland, K5PHD

RDF Coordinator: David Forbes , KC5UYR

Balltrack: David Forbes, KC5UYR; Kevin Vickers, AC5UV

Launch Coordinator: Tommy Davis, W5TCD

HF Operations: Mark Culross, KD5RXT

APRS Operations: Bruce Elliott, KC5KYJ

Misc:

Gas: David Forbes, KC5UYR

Batteries: Mark Culross, KD5RXT

Balloons: Tommy Davis, W5TCD

TECHNICAL DETAIL

PAYLOAD 1&2 (Mark Culross, KD5RXT)

Payload: Basic Package ☐ APRS (part 1 of 2)

Purpose: Position reporting, recovery support

Summary: Utilize Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) capabilities to allow reception by chase & recovery teams with at least one Amateur Radio licensed operator & the required technical equipment to track & recover the balloon launch packages

Technical Equipment Details:

- Motorola OnCore 12-channel GPS receiver (common with voice beacon)
Provides location & date/time information as a serial data stream to TT4

- TinyTrakker4 (TT4) Converts location & date/time information from GPS into tones that can be transmitted through a standard voice radio. Also converts analog telemetry, such as battery supply voltage & module temperature into tones that can be transmitted through a standard voice radio

- Yaesu VX-2R dual-band amateur transceiver that takes tones from TT4 & transmits on 144.390MHz (standard APRS frequency in US) at ½ watt of output power

- Diamond RH77CA dual-band antenna

- Component power supplied by single-use lithium sulfate (LiSO4) batteries 3-cell pack supplies 9VDC to all electronics (individually regulated down to 5VDC in each component) (common with voice beacon)

- With an additional 2-cell tap which supplies 6VDC to APRS VX-2R radio

Payload: Basic Package ☐ Voice Beacon (part 2 of 2)

Purpose: Position reporting, recovery support, public monitoring

Summary: Utilize a BS2e single chip microprocessor to read internal/external temperature sensors, to gather location & date/time information from the GPS, & to control a text to speech module to ☐speak☐ all of this information such that it can be received by anyone, with or without an Amateur Radio license, without the need for any additional or specialized technical equipment other than a simple receiver (scanner, radio, etc.)

Technical Equipment Details:

- Motorola Oncore 12-channel GPS receiver (common with APRS) provides location & date/time information as a serial data stream to Parallax

- GPS module, reports on APRS as W5SJZ-11.

- Parallax BasicStamp BS2e acts as central controller for this capability generates Morse Code identification tones through the EMIC text to speech module converts location & date/time information from Parallax GPS module into commands to the EMIC text to speech module converts digital temperature data from internal/external temperature sensors into commands to the EMIC text to speech module reports inside temperature, outside temperature, date, time, number of GPS satellites being received, latitude, longitude, altitude, speed, & heading programmed in PBASIC

- Parallax GPS Module accepts location & date/time information from Motorola OnCore GPS & provides command/status interface to BasicStamp BS2e includes an integral GPS receiver that is not utilized (we only use the command/status interface it provides)

- Dallas Semiconductor DS1620 Digital Temperature Sensors (Internal/External) provides digital temperature data to BasicStamp BS2e

- Parallax EMIC Text to Speech module accepts textual data from BasicStamp BS2e and converts it into spoken audio that can be transmitted through a standard voice radio

- Yaesu VX-2R dual-band amateur transceiver that takes Morse Code identification tones and generated speech from EMIC text to speech module & transmits on 146.560MHz at ½ watt of output power

- Diamond RH77CA dual-band antenna

- Component power supplied by single-use lithium sulfate (LiSO4) batteries

- 3-cell pack supplies 9VDC to all electronics (individually regulated down to 5VDC in each component) (common with APRS)

- Separate 2-cell pack supplies 6VDC to voice beacon VX-2R radio

- If primary 9VDC battery pack fails, rendering all electronics inoperative, then by design, the voice beacon radio will remain constantly keyed (allowing direction finding by the chase & recovery teams to continue on this constant carrier)

Payload: Cross-band Repeater Package

Purpose: Short & long-distance amateur-to-amateur radio contacts

Summary: Utilize a pair of radios coupled to a miniature repeater controller to allow Amateur Radio licensed operators separated by either short distances (

Payload 3 (Kevin Vickers, AC5UV)

Ten Meter Beacon

The third payload of the flight is a ten meter beacon. This beacon was built by ham operators employed at a local avionics shop. This home brew transmitter and Byonics controller will be the basis of the beacon. It is operating on a frequency 28.274 mhz. The antenna is a home brew loop antenna with an swr of 1.2 to 1. The output of this transmitter is approximately 1 watt. This coupled with the high gain antenna, should be heard world wide? Please report contact and we will happily qsl the event. Email webmaster@ntexbp.org or kdvickers@aol.com

Payload 4 (Doug Loughmiller, K5BL)

Slow Scan Video is planned. Look for more detail on the NTEXBP website.

Attached Images

war-bonds-450edt.jpg
(106.2 KB)

1742. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 37 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-12 19:10:52 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120912191025.0D6EB12332DEF@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 2009
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 37 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-09-12
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ZK2 ; Niue ; Square: AH51 ; start 2012-09-07

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012
LATEST NEWS from W7GJ, dated 2012-09-08:
Arrived in Niue Friday afternoon September 7 local time (I am 11 hours behind GMT,
so it was early September 8 GMT). Weather this afternoon was great. E6M license is
in hand. Not currently able to send email or update my web page with this slow and
intermittent internet connection. Watch ON4KST EME CHAT page for updates.
21' mast is assembled and a location for it has been prepared...a few of the more
obvious offending palm fronds have been broken off and pulled out of the way now.
The 6M8GJ yagi should clear the metal house roof by about a foot when I am aimed
to the east over the house. I will start assembling the yagi today at first light
today (Saturday, September 8 GMT) and hopefully will be able to recruit some helpers
from down the road to help raise the antenna later in the day. It will require some
extra help with all the trees and bushes around, preventing a normal clean raising.
6m station is currently set up except for the antenna.

VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

NEWS by W7GJ, dated 2012-09-03:
Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could mark your calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the end of August ;-)
As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with me on 6m EME when I was in E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be active during our common moon windows - especially during the optimum days of the month for 6m EME.
The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email), and the QTH has not been finalized, but all the plane tickets have been purchased (as usual, any contributions are VERY welcome),
and the equipment (a KX3 portable transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works.
As soon as the license is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference for a takeoff shot
over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating),
so we will get the ground gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period, as we did together from E51 and 3D2;
Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS. More details will be posted on the above website as the departure
time at the end of August gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA6 ; Bbalearic Is. ; Square: JM29-JN10-JN20 ; start 2012-09-09

EA6SA/p activity mid september

holiday activity and radio frm Minorca Isl.[4 sq]
last info @ on4kst chat and/or cluster.

SOURCE: tnx to EA6SA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GU & GJ ; Guernsey & Jesrey ; Square: IN89 ; start 2012-09-29

Hermann, DL2NUD, and Peter, DJ4TC, will be qrv some days from GU and GJ
during sept. 29th and oct. 09th, 2012
Main goal are the higher bands these time. Activity on 144 MHz will be only short!
The Team will be ready with following equipment:
144: 9 el 7KF hor./vert. abt. 400W
432: 21 el hor. 120W (400W sometimes)
1296: 62 el hor. 200W (400W sometimes)

Source: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2012-10-01

Bodo, DF8DX, qrv from SV9 on HF and 23cm EME

Equipment will be like on my previous DXpeditions IC7000 with transverter (100W) and 59ele yagi.
call: SV9/DF8DX
Grid: KM25 (exact locator will be given later)
IOTA: EU-015
Activity on 23cm EME:
October 2, 2000-2130z (for EU)
October 3, 0400-0600z (for NA)
with backup dates:
October 3, 2030-2200z (for EU)
October 4, 0430-0600z (for NA)
Frequency: TX first on 1296.090MHz / RX on my own echo frequency (just like in CW)

I am one week on SV9 but I would prefer you work me on the suggested times because i want to spend some time with my wife on this vacation and also enjoy some HF (CW only) activity as well
as maybe activity from EU-187. Further skeds on request (if necesary). Check www.mmmonvhf.de for updates.

73 de Bodo, DF8DX

SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DF8DX, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA ; Spain ; Square: IN93 ; start 2012-10-06

ED2T DXPEDITION FOR IARU CONTEST 2012

We will be qrv from IN93ia, 1570m asl.
70cm: 2x 4yagi array + PAs
23cm: 8x long yagi + PA
13cm: 1x long yagi + PA
3cm: 70cm prime focus + 1W

>From this qth we have good take off to central europe and G.

Hope to cu

SOURCE: tnx to ED2T direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info

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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1743. eHam.net News for Wednesday 12 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-12 22:46:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61420224f7b804c988f6b8@google.com>
Source record: 2010
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Goodbye to Record-Beating 2O12L:

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28968

Cray Valley members started operating 2O12L on 25 July, in the first 10 hours over 3,300 contacts were made. As well as introducing visitors to amateur radio the station exceeded the world record for special event station QSOs on 21 August and reached their target figure of 60,000 QSOs at 2305UTC on Friday, 31 August.

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Holding Your Community Together During a Disaster:

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28967

The nonprofit Topanga EOC acts as a clearing house for incoming and outgoing information like evacuation zones, road and school closures, and shelter locations. It also collects eyewitness accounts from radio operators roving at a safe, non-evacuated distance, and then shares that information with stake-holder parties like community groups and local government services such as public safety, including fire departments.

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10 Questions with Don Zupon, W3MIF:

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28966

Don Zupon, known by his amateur radio call sign W3MIF, has been on the air since he was a young boy. Zupon is a member and past president of the North Augusta-Belvedere Radio Club, which has been together more than 40 years. He also serves as the amateur radio emergency coordinator for Edgefield County. The 69-year-old bought his first radio in high school after earning $50 from his job at Dairy Queen. He said today it costs $100 and up for a short-range radio, and $400 and up for long-range radios. Prior to purchasing a radio, he learned how to build his own transmitter. When he isn't on the radio meeting new people, Zupon enjoys traveling and camping. He also has a pilot's license, and enjoys target shooting, bowling and rebuilding his 1965 Corvette. For information about monthly meetings and amateur radio training courses offered by the radio club, visit k4nab.org.

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On Second Try, Commission Approves Cell Tower in Disputed Location:

Posted: 11 Sep 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28965

After previously learning of pending litigation on the issue, County Commissioners on Monday approved placing a cellphone tower on Vernon Ferry Road. At commission's Aug. 7 meeting, commissioners did not vote on the request by American Tower and ATT to place a 105-foot cellphone tower at the site after a lengthy public hearing where several ham radio operators and area residents opposed the move. Commission Chairman Ricky Wolfe on Monday apologized for the inaction. "I apologize for that mistake, it's my responsibility as chairman," he told the people gathered in commission chambers. "In my six years here that is the first time that has ever happened that way." Despite opposition at previous meetings, the request complied with local ordinances and met federal requirement, said David Dyer of the Georgia Center for Local Government, who consults with the county on cellphone tower matters. "My recommendation remains the same," he said during Monday's hearing. "I feel the application fully complied with ordinance and that the applicant agreed to any and all appropriate conditions for the ordinance." Opposition to the tower had come from a group of ham radio operators after resident Steve Mobley said the tower risks interfering with his equipment. Mobley's system ties into other states and the SkyWarn weather system to help local emergency services be alerted to weather threats. Dyer said two studies by certified engineers said there was no reason believe there would be any interference. He said that American Tower and ATT also would be the ones obligated to clear any interference, but Mobley and other radio operators say FCC regulations puts the burden on him. Mobley said there is no way to know for sure if there will be interference and added that he felt the potential to shut down his operation was infringing his rights. "What I really have problem with is the lack of regard for my rights," Mobley said at the hearing. "It's not just Skywarn, but my rights as an individual and a ham radio operator. \& For anybody who is in support of this, what if that tower being there meant you possibly couldn't watch TV? A ham radio, to me, is more important than someone's right to watch TV, and they're threatening my right at that location." Mobley said there are alternate locations in the area that would work just as well for ATT to expand coverage in the area, but would not risk interference with his system.

1744. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 12 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-13 02:14:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f502f7ae02ddd04c98bde1b@google.com>
Source record: 2011
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operator signs off on licensing duty - Ocala

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 01:19 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFE-EQRjrLmk-7KZqFBbDFe5ujajA&url=http://www.ocala.com/article/20120912/ARTICLES/120919890

Ham radio operator signs off on licensing duty
Ocala
He got involved in amateur radio, commonly called “ham” radio, when he was 12, got his first ham license in 1955 and spent a career at Motorola as a quality assurance engineer until he retired in 1998. On Tuesday, fellow hams honored Toler before he ...

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Maroochydore Primary talks with outer Space - ABC Online (blog)

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 03:57 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFtCnYmal2ghgjJrWw6tOeFkgL0Ng&url=http://blogs.abc.net.au/queensland/2012/09/maroochydore-primary-talks-with-outer-space-.html

Maroochydore Primary talks with outer Space
ABC Online (blog)
The two were connected by radio wave from space via Mackay then onwards to Maroochydore Amateur Radio Club. President, Richard Phillp, says it was a perfect day with clear transmission. Download audio. Principal Stuart Marish organised the cross ...

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NASA Goddard To Host Live Student Session With International Space Station ... - Sacramento Bee

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 06:36 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE4rxYtgSohmcgfyyjCXTDxqEj0LA&url=http://www.sacbee.com/2012/09/11/4809190/nasa-goddard-to-host-live-student.html

The Atlantic
NASA Goddard To Host Live Student Session With International Space Station ...
Sacramento Bee
This is made possible through Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS), a cooperative venture among NASA and other international

space agencies that coordinates scheduled, radio contacts with students and astronauts aboard the station.
Upcoming ARISS contact with Burns Sci-Tech Charter School, Oak Hill, FLSouthgate Amateur Radio Club

all 25 news articles

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Amateur Radio and Youth: - eHam.net

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 04:22 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG50rV7V8X7dS9v2tBnmCOfytqTIQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28944

Amateur Radio and Youth:
eHam.net
Now I know a lot of Hams SAY they want to get more kids involved but then they follow that up with the idea that the Internet, Smart Phones, Facebook and Twitter are all these kids care about and do not think Ham Radio will interest or involve them. Or ...

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Ham Radio Enthusiast, Football Coach, Dies After a Long Illness - Patch.com

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 05:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG3FfFMOCfBpZ4lxwASmRBXW13kmQ&url=http://northborough.patch.com/articles/ham-radio-enthusiast-football-coach-dies-after-a-long-illness

Ham Radio Enthusiast, Football Coach, Dies After a Long Illness
Patch.com
Ham Radio Enthusiast, Football Coach, Dies After a Long Illness.
Northborough resident Emil "Bill" DuPonts services will be held privately.
8:00 am. Tweet. Email. Print. Comment. ‹ Back to Article. new Video_thumb.
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and more

1745. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 13 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-13 11:07:18 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9399dc5edc97904c9934e2d@google.com>
Source record: 2012
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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The other side of the PLT debate - Compromise

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5mTqz4QY0lU/the_other_side_of_the_plt_debate.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The development of International Standards involves discussion and
ultimately compromise. Certainly that has been the case with the proposed
PLT standard prEN50561-1

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AMSAT-UK Colloquium - visit to SSTL Kepler Building

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TZFn7FSxYqU/visit_to_sstl_kepler_building.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium, taking place this weekend in
Guildford, will provide an opportunity to visit the satellite facilities in
the new Surrey Satellite Technology Limited (SSTL) Kepler Building

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NgY_yElNNFU/september_13.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Yet another odd week in that it was more hills and valleys with Wednesday
being the real valley. Friday through to Sunday had to be cut back to 4
reported contacts or more to fit into the space available. So mainly
conditions have continued from last week and improved

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Ofcom awards first local TV licences

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K5QV25Umwf0/ofcom_awards_first_local_tv_licences.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has today awarded the first licences to run local TV services in two
areas of the UK. The new licences are for digital terrestrial TV (DTT)
channels in Brighton and Grimsby

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Plan now to be at a lighthouse

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B1BCyFkDbJo/plan_now_to_be_at_a_lighthouse.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There are plenty to activate for the first time in next year's International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on 17-18 August 2013 to take advantage of a local or exotic location

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80th Anniversary of Practical Wireless Magazine - GB80PW on the air today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Mks_ZwNaT4w/80th_anniversary_of_practical_wireless_magazine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The GB80PW Special Event callsign is being aired each month until December 2012 – but today is a very special day as it marks the actual 80th anniversary of the first publication of the (then weekly) PW in September 1932

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Rocking the Boat! The True Story of Pirate Radio in the Sixties

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uCj8LnusfP8/rocking_the_boat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rocking the Boat! The True Story of Pirate Radio in the Sixties is the title of an event being held 6pm-8pm on Tuesday 18th September at Westminster Reference Library, 35 St Martin's Street, London WC2H 7HP

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Chinese DXpedition to Tibet

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/seTRRP1-o7k/chinese_dxpedition_to_tibet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Dongcheng District Radio Club station (BY1WXD) will be active as BY1WXD/0 for ten days from the Tibet Autonomous Region. This will be the first DXpedition in the Tibet Autonomous Region by Chinese operators

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One-man DXpedition to Tanzania

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P-BD3i4znJc/one_man_dxpedition_to_tanzania.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Arne, OH2NNE, will be active as 5H2DK from Moshi (KI86qq) between October 2-17th. Also, there may be sporadic activity using a portable setup from different locations between October 18-27th

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Isle of Man Foundation exam in October 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-JpStpJLx8U/isle_of_man_foundation_exam_in_october_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Isle of Man Amateur Radio Society are running a Foundation course and
exam in October 2012

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Standing Waves educational video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f7-ViYjr_70/standing_waves_educational_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This vintage Bell Labs video explains Standing Waves and resonance as well
as the energy loss by impedance mismatching

1746. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 13 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-13 14:27:01 UTC
From: "Jimbo ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k2sqf7rsj1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 2013
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> and professional summary.

told you ....

1747. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 13 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-13 16:05:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614aa09051ba04c99779b1@google.com>
Source record: 2014
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Meet DVDongle Inventor Robin Cutshaw AA4RC - HamRadioNow Episode 20

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 06:36 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361264-Meet-DVDongle-Inventor-Robin-Cutshaw-AA4RC-Ham
RadioNow-Episode-20&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 20: DVDongle Inventor

Robin Cutshaw AA4RC

Robin didn't invent D-STAR, but he invented an awful lot of D-STAR stuff
that

hams use every day: The DVDongle, the DVAP, DPLUS linking and utility
software,

and coming soon, the UHF DVAP (Robin writes the software. His partner,

Moe Wheatley AE4JY, does the hardware). In this episode from the

Huntsville Hamfest, KN4AQ talks to Robin for the better part of an hour,

and learns a lot about how Robin got started and put this stuff together,
and

we get a peek at what's coming next.

If you 'do' D-STAR, this is a don't-miss episode. Watch it at our

web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

to support these programs, visit

HAMRADIONOW.tv

and 'click the pig'

1748. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 13 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-13 16:23:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340857448e8d04c997bb68@google.com>
Source record: 2015
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VK9CS Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 12:58 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361291-VK9CS-Cocos-(Keeling)-Islands&goto=newpost

JA1PBV will be active from Cocos (Keeling) Islands 21-28 September 2012 as
VK9CS

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...eling-islands/

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Ham Operators to Support National Wildlife Refuge Week

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 08:02 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361275-Ham-Operators-to-Support-National-Wildlife-Refuge-Week&goto=newpost

Ham Operators to Support National Wildlife Refuge Week

Amateur Radio operators will be on air in observance of the 2012 National

Wildlife Refuge Week, October 14-20. This event will coincide with festivals

and special events at refuges that help connect people with nature at the

country's more than 500 National Wildlife Refuges.

Combining Amateur Radio's communication capabilities with enjoyment of the

outdoors to help others learn about the National Wildlife Refuge System
(NWRS)

is the goal of the amateur stations participating in the nine-day event.
Hams

begin operating from a number of wildlife refuges this week under guidelines

established in cooperation with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

Visit the NWR Week ham radio special event web site nwrweek-radio.info for

more information.

Contact: info@nwrweek-radio.info

1749. The ARRL Letter for September 13, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-13 20:36:18 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120913184118.E3E35244D8@bmail.arrl.org>
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==> + ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION: ARRL WELCOMES NASA ASTRONAUT LEE MORIN,
KF5DDB, TO 2012 NATIONAL CONVENTION

NASA Astronaut Lee Morin, KF5DDB, will be a special guest at the
2012 ARRL National Convention at Pacificon -- held October 12-14 -- in
Santa Clara, California. Morin, an ARRL member, served as a Mission
Specialist on Atlantis for STS-110 that launched in April 2002. During
this 13th shuttle mission to the International Space Station, he
performed two extra-vehicular activities (EVAs) -- also known as
spacewalks -- the first time that the station's robotic arm was used to
maneuver spacewalkers around the station. Pacificon attendees will have
the chance to meet and greet Morin in the ARRL exhibit area. He will
also present a forum at Pacificon and will be the speaker at Saturday
night's banquet where he will share his experiences about spaceflight
and his interests in Amateur Radio. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-welcomes-nasa-astronaut-lee-morin-kf5ddb-to-20
12-national-convention>.
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==> + EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: GET SET FOR THE 2012 SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST

Are you ready to respond to a local communications emergency? How about within your area, state or beyond? The ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET) -- an exercise that enables you and your local, District and Section leaders to test equipment, modes, operating skills and emergency deployment plans to see if everything is in place and ready for an actual emergency event -- is October 6-7. The SET is one of the premier events of the year that invites the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, the National Traffic System, the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service, SKYWARN, members of the ARRL Field Organization and other groups to work in concert together to practice and prepare. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/get-set-for-the-2012-simulated-emergency-test>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: THREE HAMS RETURN TO EARTH THIS WEEKEND; WATCH LIVE ON NASA TV

After spending 125 days in space, NASA Flight Engineer Joe Acaba, KE5DAR, Expedition 32 Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS (both of the Russian Federal Space Agency), will begin their voyage home to Earth this weekend, marking the end of Expedition 32 on the International Space Station. The trio will undock their Soyuz TMA-04M spacecraft on Sunday, September 16 at 7:09 PM EDT (2309 UTC) for the flight home. They are scheduled to arrive in Kazakhstan at the Baikonur Cosmodrome almost four hours later at 10:53 PM EDT (0253 UTC on Monday, September 17). NASA will televise the farewell ceremony, as well as the undocking of the Soyuz craft, its launch and landing in Kazakhstan live on NASA TV. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/three-hams-return-to-earth-this-weekend-watch-live-on-nasa-tv>.

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This weekend, 12 newly elected or appointed Section Managers will be in Newington at ARRL Headquarters for an orientation workshop. The primary purposes of the three-day workshop sessions are to share ideas and to provide basic administrative, management, leadership and motivational training. The workshop provides an opportunity for the Section Managers to chat among themselves or within the group, and to share their views on various issues and exchange ideas. Through training and orientation sessions conducted by ARRL staff members -- and by meeting with other Section Managers -- participants can explore what works, as well as what does not, and bring home some fresh ideas and some encouragement. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/newly-elected-section-managers-to-converge-in-newington>.

==> + BECKY SCHOENFELD, W1BXY, NAMED QST MANAGING EDITOR

ARRL Book Editor Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY, has been promoted to QST Managing Editor, the position formerly held by Joel Kleinman, N1BKE

(SK). A Connecticut native, Schoenfeld has more than two decades of publishing experience. Prior to her employment at ARRL Headquarters, she was Senior Editor at Teaching K-8 magazine, one of the most popular magazines for childhood educators, and Senior Project Editor for textbook publisher Macmillan/McGraw-Hill. In addition, she founded Amaranth magazine, a successful poetry journal. She holds an MFA from Emerson College and a BA from Fairfield University. Her Amateur Radio activities include chasing grid squares in pursuit of her 6 meter VUCC award and DX hunting on 10 meters.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "You'll find us chasing the Sun <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZIyYMjI-xFg>" Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity retreated this week, with the average daily sunspot numbers off nearly 46 points -- about 35 percent -- to 83.1, while the average daily solar flux declined 18 points to 118.9. Geomagnetic conditions were quieter, with the planetary and mid-latitude A index most days in the single digits; the average planetary A index declined from 14.1 to 6.6. The predicted daily solar flux is 100 on September 13, 95 on September 14-16, 100 again on September 17-18, 105 on September 19, 95 on September 20-21, 100 on September 22, 110 on September 23-24, 115, 125 and 130 on September 25-27, and peaking at 140 on September 28-October 1. The predicted planetary A index on September 13-17 is 5, 7, 10, 12 and 8, then down to 5 on September 18-19, 10 on September 20, 8 on September 21-23, 5 on September 24-28, 10 on September 29, and back down to 5 on September 30-October 2. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, September 14. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Wanted's Chasing the Sun <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chasing_the_Sun_%28song%29>.

==> + ARRL TO WELCOME USTTI STUDENTS IN OCTOBER

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ARRL staff instructors will help course participants discover the ever-expanding universe of Amateur Radio communication, explaining why Amateur Radio operators -- upwards of three million individuals in virtually every country of the world -- have earned licenses to operate stations in the Service and why they are recognized, both by their governments and internationally, as a valuable voluntary telecommunications resource. Course participants will also discover how a telecommunications administration can bring the benefits of a healthy Amateur Service to its nation.

Now in its 30th year, USTTI is a nonprofit venture involving leading
US-based communications and information technology corporations and
leaders of the federal government cooperating to provide tuition-free
management, policy and technical training for talented professionals
from the developing world. This is the 28th year that the ARRL has
participated in the program.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- September 14 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 14-16 -- FISTS Get Your Feet Wet Weekend
- September 15 -- Feld Hell Sprint
- September 15-16 -- ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest (local time)
<http://www.arrl.org/news/explore-the-upper-reaches-of-the-amateur-radio-spec
trum-in-the-arrl-10-ghz-and-up-contest>;
South Carolina QSO Party; Washington State Salmon Run; Scandinavian
Activity Contest (CW); SRT HF Contest (SSB); QRP Afield
- September 16 -- North American Sprint (SSB); WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone
Contest
- September 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest; 144 MHz Fall Sprint
(local time)
- September 20 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- September 21 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 22 -- FOC QSO Party; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- September 23 -- BARTG Sprint 75
- September 24 -- QRP Homebrewer Sprint
- September 25 -- 222 MHz Fall Sprint (local time)
- September 26 -- SKCC Sprint
- September 26-27 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 14-15 -- W9DXCC Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/w9dxcc-convention-2>, Elk Grove Village,
Illinois
- September 15 -- ARRL Virginia Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-section-convention-virginia-beach-hamf
est>,
Virginia Beach, Virginia
- September 22 -- ARRL Washington State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-36th-annual-spokane

-hamfest>,
Spokane Valley, Washington
- September 22-23 -- ARRL Illinois State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/illinois-state-convention-peoria-superfest-2012
>,
Peoria, Illinois
- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 7 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-nutmeg-hamfest>,
Meriden, Connecticut
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,
Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,

Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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1750. eHam.net News for Thursday 13 September 2012

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Date: 2012-09-13 22:18:35 UTC
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Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9b53d97ed604c99caf94@google.com>
Source record: 2017
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 07:41 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28975

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Welcomes NASA Astronaut Lee Morin, KF5DDB, to 2012 National Convention

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 07:40 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28974

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2012 ARRL National Convention at Pacificon -- held October 12-14 -- in
Santa Clara, California.

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Get Set for the 2012 Simulated Emergency Test:

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 07:38 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28973

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Test (SET) -- an exercise that enables you and your local, District and
Section leaders to test equipment, modes, operating skills and
emergency deployment plans to see if everything is in place and ready
for an actual emergency event -- is October 6-7.

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Three Hams Return to Earth This Weekend; Watch Live on NASA TV:

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 07:39 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28972

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KE5DAR, Expedition 32 Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight
Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS (both of the Russian Federal Space
Agency), will begin their voyage home to Earth this weekend, marking
the end of Expedition 32 on the International Space Station.

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Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY, Named QST Managing Editor:

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http://www.eham.net/articles/28971

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ARRL to Welcome USTTI Students in October:

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Newly Elected Section Managers to Converge in Newington:

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http://www.eham.net/articles/28969

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1751. [DXNL] DXNL 1797 (Sep 12, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-13 23:26:52 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <1675705046.20120913215102@dxhf.darc.de>
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4O, MONTENEGRO
Chab,YT7WA, announced to show up in BPSK and QPSK from Buljarice
signing YT7WA/4O from Sep 14-23. QSL via bureau.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Preston Amateur Radio Society (G3KUE) is activating the special
callsign GB0PGY (WLOTA 1841, Loc IO83os) until the end of September
to celebrate the "Preston Guild Year", an event which takes place
every 20 years in Preston/England. QSL via bureau.
See also: http://www.prestonars.co.uk/joomla

HK, COLOMBIA
Lothar,DK8LRF, will be QRV again as HK3JCL from Colombia working mainly
in SSB on 20m and 40m between Sep 18 and Nov 19. Digital modes can be
arranged via e-mail (QRZ.com). QSL via DK8LRF.

HS, THAILAND
Dennis,K7BV/HS0ZKS, of Yaesu, sponsored two FT2000D for the HQ station
HS0AC of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST). The clubstation
was completely destroyed during the heavy floods last year. After seven
years of waiting, Thai hams are once again able to test for a license
that gives them privileges on the HF bands so expect many new calls to
show up on the bands soon. See also: http://www.qsl.net/rast and
http://www.hs5ac.net/smf1112/smf/index.php?topic=749.0

JW, BEAR ISLAND, EU-027
Erik,LA2US, is working at the meteorological station on Bear Island
(EU-027) until November and wants to be on the air as JW2US as often
as possible, mainly in SSB on 40m-6m. eQSL only.

SM, SWEDEN
The special event station SI9AM from the "King Chulalongkorn Memorial"
in Ragunda is activated by Lars,SM3EAE, Joe,SM3FJF, and Goeran,SM5SIC,

on Sep 15/16. Operation will take place on 160m-10m and in the upcoming
Scandinavian Activity Contest (Sep 15/16). Listen for them on:
CW: 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897, 28017 kHz
SSB: 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960, 28510 kHz
FM: 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49 on 145.612 MHz
QSL via SM3CVM. See also: http://www.si9am.se

T8, PALAU, OC-009
Ulf,DL5AXX, will return to Palau for a combined dive and radio holiday.
Once again he will be QRV as T8XX (CW) and T88UE (RTTY) on 160m-10m
from Sep 14-28. QSLs are preferred via OQRS or via homecall.
See also: http://www.dl5axx.de/dxlog

YA, AFGHANISTAN (update)
T6SM is based in Afghanistan until November. His job there has nothing
to do with telecommunications and his equipment there is rather sparse
(IC7000 with 75 watts and Triple Leg after DK7ZB 7m high). He has the
opportunity to be QRV only occasionally.

YJ, VANUATU, OC-110
Rod,YJ8RN, is staying on Loh Island (OC-110) and is mainly active in
SSB on 20m signing YJ8RN/p. The length of his stay is not known.
QSL via homecall.

ZA, ALBANIA
Franta,ZA/OK1HH, and Bob,ZA/OK2BOB, announced to be active in CW and
SSB on 160m-6m from Sep 12-20. QSLs via homecalls.

Information about the DXCC entities of three autumn DXpeditions:
The Documentary Archives Radio Communications offers detailed informa-
tion about the DXCC entities and all previous activations of three
major DXpeditions in autumn 2012: St. Peter & Paul Rocks, PT0S,
Swains Island, NH8S, and Campbell Island, ZL9HR. You can also find some
rarities like two QSLs of the initial activity of St Peter & Paul Rocks
with a total of 40 QSOs. Furthermore, there is an exclusive interview
with Herb Kline about his involvement in the faked Peter&Paul activity
by Don Miller as reported by Wolf Harranth, OE1WHC:
http://www.dokufunk.org/swains-de
http://www.dokufunk.org/peterpaul-de
http://www.dokufunk.org/auckland-de

Philippine HAMs get new QRGs: Following new frequencies can be used by
Philippine amateurs now:
35.7 kHz - 137.8 kHz
472 kHz - 479 kHz
7.201 MHz - 7.300 MHz
See also: http://www.para.org.ph/news.htm

TOP LISTS: The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are online now.
Send your scores, as well as any request for further information, via
e-mail to Luciano Lucini, IK2QPO (ik2qpo@425dxn.org).
See also: http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 15 Thuringia Contest
Sep 15/16 Scandinavian Activity Contest
Sep 16 North American Sprint

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
IOTA Net: The IOTA Net meets Saturdays at 1300 UTC on 14260 kHz and Sundays
at 1300 UTC on 21260 kHz. These are the QRGs of the island hunters:
CW: 28040, 24920, 21040, 18098, 14040, 10114, 7030, 3530 kHz
SSB: 28560, 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 14260, 7055, 3765 kHz

AF-014, CT3, Madeira Archipelago: DJ6QT, DK1MM, DK1QH, DK4QT, DL1YFF, DM3BJ,
DJ3IW, E73Y and S56A will be active as CR3L (Santana-Madeira Island,
WLOTA 0053) between Sep 16 and Oct 4, including the CQWW RTTY Contest.
QSL via DJ6QT (bureau/direct).

AS-008, JA1, North Izu Islands: Take,JI3DST, is QRV again from Shikine Shima
(Shikine Island, WLOTA 2267). He is signing JI3DST/JI1 in CW, SSB, RTTY
and PSK31 on 40m-10m from Sep 12-16. He also plans to take part in the
SAC Contest as JI3DST/1. QSL via JI3DST (bureau/direct).
See also: http://blog.goo.ne.jp/ji3dst

AS-095, R0Z, Bering Sea Coast group: Victor,RU0ZM/p, Valery,UA0ZC/p,
Vlad,RA0ZJ/p, and Alex,UA0ZAM/p, are working on all HF bands from
Starichkov Island (RRA RR-12-05, RDA KT-06, WLOTA 1837) until Sep 14.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

EU-008, GM/MM, Inner Hebrides: Members of the Black Country DX & Contest
Group will be QRV as MS0OXE from Tiree Island (IOSA NH04, SCOTIA DI10,
Loc IO66ML, WAB NL94) from Sep 13-21. The station is works in SSB, CW
and RTTY on 80m-10m using a HexBeam (http://www.g3txq-hexbeam.com).
QSL via M0URX (bureau/direct/LoTW).
More information can be found on: http://www.ms0oxe.webs.com

EU-013, GJ/MJ, Jersey: Jim,G0UPG, is signing GJ0UPG from Jersey in SSB on HF
using FT-857D and vertical until Sep 15. QSL via G0UPG (bureau/direct).

EU-026, JW, Spitsbergen Island: Karl,LA8DW, and Kjell,LA9HH, will sign JW8DW
from Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (WLOTA 0125) from Sep 12-19.
They will join the SAC Contest (Sep 15/16) as JW5E.
QSL for JW5E direct via QRZ.com; QSL for JW8DW via LA8DW.
See also: http://la8dw.com/Svalbard%202011 and http://www.jw5e.com

NA-018, OX, Greenland: Listen for Henning,OZ1BII, to be active in CW only
signing XP2I from the XP1AB clubstation in Kangerlussuaq (WLOTA 0072,

WFF OZFF-006) from Sep 13-17. Activity will be in CW only on all HF
bands, including the SAC Contest. QSL via OZ1BII (bureau/direct).
See also: http://oz1bii.dk/dx-xp2i-sep.htm

NA-046, W1, Massachusetts State South (Bristol to Barnstable County) group:
Larry,K4KGG, and members of the BRARA club will be QRV as K4KGG/1 from
Martha's Vineyard (USi MA-005S, WLOTA 2804) mainly in SSB on 20m from
Sep 14-18. If the conditions permit they plan to show up also on 28460,
21260 and 7055 kHz. QSL via K4KGG (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.n4brf.org

NA-097, 6Y, Jamaica: Juergen,6Y5/DL3JH, is working on HF until Sep 22.
QSL via DL3JH (bureau/direct).

OC-040, ZK2, Niue Island: Lance,W7GJ, and Bob,ZL1RS, are planning another
EME DXpedition to Niue Island (WLOTA 2139, Loc AH51ba) until Sep 21.
Lance is working as E6M on 6m and Bob signs E6RS on 2m.
QSL for E6M via W7GJ (direct) and for E6RS via ZL1RS (direct).
See also: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm

OC-097, 5W, Samoa Island: John,N7CQQ, and Ron,N6XT, are working from
Savaii Island (WLOTA 4026, Loc AH36sg) mostly in SSB on 20m signing
5W0QQ and 5W0XT until around Sep 20. Unfortunately they cannot go to
Tokelau (ZK3) anymore but will return to American Samoa (KH8) on Sep 30
QSLs via homecalls (direct).

SA-036, P4, Aruba Island: Robert,W3BTX, and Roy,W3TEF, will be active from
Aruba (WLOTA 0033) using P49T (special callsign P49Towers 9/11) from
Sep 14-21. QSL via W3BTX (bureau/direct).

NON-IOTA: Members of the TCSWAT plan to activate the lighthouse Gerze
(Loc KN71ot, WEBLOTA 8) as TC6GLH on Sep 15/16.
See also: http://www.tcswat.org

FFF: Eric,F5SIH, will be QRV from the WFF area FFF-1145 on Sep 15.
His focus will be on 40m. QSL via homecall (LoTW or eQSL).

Preview

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28Aug-12Sep 3B8/IW5ELA.. 1794/1796
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
Sep 5B/G3RWF 1795
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
02Sep-22Sep 6Y5/DL3JH 1797 *
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788
-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788

-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-03Nov 8J2YDU 1794
-21Oct 8J4HAM 1794 *
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-16Sep 8J8APRC 1794
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
unknown 8Q7HA 1796
02Sep-14Sep 8Q7OE 1795
unknown 9G5ZS 1795
-12Sep 9A/PA4JJ 1796
unknown 9J2JA 1796
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
16Sep-04Oct CR3L 1797 *
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791

-15Sep E51AND 1795
07Sep-21Sep E6M.. 1796/1797 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
01Sep-14Sep F/ON5GQ 1795
15Sep F5SIH 1797 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
-Sep GB0PGY 1797 *
09Sep-14Sep GB2HST 1796
-10Sep GB4GBO 1790
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767

2012 GB80PW 1762
Sep GO4BJC/A.. 1796
09Sep-15Sep GJ0UPG 1797 *
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
-30Sep HG1912PTTT 1796
-31Dec HG20CRT 1795
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
18Sep-19Nov HK3JCL 1762/1797 *
unknown HP1/IZ6BRN 1787
unknown HT9H 1792

06Sep-22Sep IC8/OE3FHA 1796
-Dec/12 ID9DXC.. 1755
01Sep-20Sep II3PAN 1795
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
02Sep-14Sep IM0/IZ5JMX 1795/1796
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
12Sep-16Sep JI3DST/JI1 1797 *
-Nov JW2US 1791/1797 *
15Sep/16Sep JW5E 1797 *
12Sep-19Sep JW8DW 1797 *
29Mar-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
14Sep-18Sep K4KGG/1 1797 *
23Aug-12Sep KL7/K8GU 1794
23Aug-12Sep KL7/KJ4OAP 1794
23Aug-12Sep KL7/W2NAF 1794
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
-31Dec LZ1818MOG.. 1770
-31Dec LZ40YE 1795

13Sep-21Sep MS0OXE 1797 *
05Sep-19Sep NH8S 1795
08Sep-13Sep N3U/Flt93 1796
May -Oct OD5/IV3XNF 1777
Jul /Sep OE2XXM.. 1786/1795
-Apr/17 OG3077F 1789
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-31Dec ON500MERCATOR 1783
04Apr-31Dec ON100TT 1775
-31Dec ON20OSA 1795
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
unknown OX3LX 1790
10Sep-22Sep OZ0AV 1796
01Jul-31Dec P3EU 1786
14Sep-21Sep P49T 1797 *
-30Sep PC12WSF 1796

-30Sep R1000M 1794
01Sep-30Nov R15GGGR.. 1795
12Jun-12Sep R200V 1783
08Sep-14Sep RA0ZJ/p 1797 *
08Sep-14Sep RU0ZM/p 1797 *
-Jan/13 RI1ANF 1765
-Sep RI1FJA 1741
-Sep RI1FJM 1741
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
08Sep-15Sep SB6HL 1796
15Sep-16Sep SI9AM 1797 *
08Sep-14Sep SM7DAY/p 1796
-02Oct SN63DNI 1792
01Aug-02Oct SN7PW 1791
04Sep-18Sep SV8/ON5CT/p 1796
09Sep-15Sep SV9/EA1AP 1796
09Sep-15Sep SV9/EA1SA 1796
Sep SW9XB 1795
-Feb/13 T6LG 1795
-Nov T6SM 1796/1797 *
-30Sep T6SS 1790
-Sep T6TJ.. 1789
14Sep-28Sep T8XX 1797 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
30Jun-30Sep TC6BLH.. 1786/1793
15Sep-16Sep TC6GLH 1797 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
unknown TR8CA 1795
unknown TX0HF 1789

08Sep-14Sep UA0ZAM/p 1797 *
08Sep-14Sep UA0ZC/p 1797 *
-16Sep V5/DF2UU.. 1795
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
09Sep-14Sep VK7HVK/p 1796
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
14Sep-23Sep YT7WA/4O 1797 *
13Sep-17Sep XP2I 1797 *
unknown YJ8RN/p 1797 *
12Sep-20Sep ZA/OK1HH.. 1797 *
18Aug-31Sep ZD9KN 1794/1795
unknown ZD9KX 1795
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3Z2X via SP2YWL

3Z73HOWS via SP9PDG
3Z707K via SP5ZRW
4K6OF (d), (*)
5H4BL via IV3RTL
5W0QQ via N7CQQ (B)
5W0XT via N6XT
8Q7OE via OE4JHW
9A204MX via DJ2MX (B)
9N1FE via EA5ZD
A61R via EA7FTR (d)
A60A via IZ8CLM (B), (*)
A60DWC via IZ8CLM (B), (*)
A60ITU via IZ8CLM (B), (*)
A60JJ via IZ8CLM (B), (*)
A60WARD via IZ8CLM (B),(*)
AY8A via LU8ADX (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DG3FAW via DG3FAW
CT9/DJ1JM via DJ1JM
CT9/DJ6KS via DJ6KS
CT9/DJ8OG via DJ8OG
DJ0ML/HI7 via DJ0ML
E6M via W7GJ (d)
E6RS via ZL1RS (d)
EA6/IZ4WNA via IZ4WNA
EA6/IZ4WNP via IZ4WNP
EE8YG via EA8YG
EF8R via EA8CAC (L)
EG1FIM via EA1URV
EG1SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EG9SDC via EA1AUM (B)
EM125QN via UT3QN
EO5UFF via US5UFF
FK8DD via LZ1JZ (B)
GB2OWM sends automatically
GB0PGY (B)
GJ0UPG via G0UPG (B)
HF20IPA via SP9BRP (B)
HK3JCL via DK8LRF (B)
HK3TK via F5CWU (B), (L)
I6/SQ6Y via SQ6Y
IR7RAI via IQ7DV
J28NC via F5RQQ (d)
J47X via SV7BVM (B)
J40TSL via SZ2TSL
JI3DST/JI1 via JI3DST (B)
JT5DX via JT1CO (B)
JW2US eQSL
JW5E (d) QRZ.com
JW8DW via LA8DW (B)

K4KGG/1 via K4KGG (B)
LZ1737SSS via LZ1KCP
LZ2009KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ75A via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ02JP via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ02KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ03KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ04KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ05KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ06KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ07KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
LZ08KM via LZ1BJ (B), (*)
MS0OXE via M0URX (B), (L), eQSL
NH8S via AA4NN (B)
OK/PA2A via PA2A
ON50HC via ON3AIM
OZ/DL9DAN via DL9DAN
P49T via W3BTX (B)
PJ4R via DL1THM (9/2012 only, d)
RA0ZJ/p via RA0ZJ (B)
RU0ZM/p via RU0ZM (B)
SG0U via SM3CXS (B)
SI9AM via SM3CVM (B)
SN1939HS via SP5T
SN10APM via SP5BUJ
SN40FTA via SP3FTA (B)
SN70BAGNO via SP5KOG
SP9YFF/P via SQ9IDG (d), (L)
SV2/LZ2HM via LZ2HM (B)
SZ2SISO via SV2GWY (B)
SZ3P via SV3DCX (B)
T88ME via 7K1RTO
T88TM via JA5AUC (B)
T88UE via DL5AXX (B), OQRS
T8XX via DL5AXX (B), OQRS
TC6GLH via TA1HZ (B)
TM1MAD via F5KLJ (B)
TM34CDXC via F5CWU (B), (L)
UA0ZAM/p via UA0ZAM (B)
UA0ZC/p via UA0ZC (B)
V63LR via JK1QLR (B)
VU3DJQ via EA7FTR (d)
VX3FAIR via VE3XT
XP2I via OZ1BII (B), (L)
YJ8RN/p via YJ8RN (d)
YT7WA/4O via YT7WA
ZA/OK1HH via OK1HH (B)
ZA/OK2BOB via OK2BOB (B)
ZG2FX via G3RFX (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: PJ2/DF8ZH

QSLs arrived bureau: 3C0C (EA7FTR), 4S7VK (DJ9ZB), 6V7D (UA0SE),
7Z7AA (7Z1CQ), 9H9OB (DH7WW), 9M2CNC, 9M2TO (JA0DMV),
9N7DX (4Z4DX), AL9A, AP2MB (2005), BV100 (BV2KI),
EY8AN, K8CW, KH6OO (GlobalQsl), PJ2/WX7P,
PJ2T (first QSL from W3HNK without Dollar or own QSL!
QSO from 2010), PJ5/AH6HY, RI1ANC (RN1ON), TJ9PF,
TT8DX (F5OGL), TX8DD (LZ1JZ), VP5/AC4S (QSO 9/97),
Z2/K0YY, ZS6TQ (K3IRV)

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1752. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 13 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-14 02:29:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f838f25cae60904c9a031b0@google.com>
Source record: 2019
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio license courses starting soon - Bothell/Kenmore Reporter

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 12:56 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEWdMoNyNmoOQVWw9-p5dgiTi7kYg&url=http://www.bothell-reporter.com/lifestyle/169669776.html

Amateur radio license courses starting soon
Bothell/Kenmore Reporter
The beginner level amateur band radio license is required for entry into the fascinating hobby of "ham" radio, allowing the licensee to get on the air and communicate with a region-wide network of ham radio operators for fun, providing communications ...

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READER SUBMITTED: Public Invited To Newington Amateur Radio League ... - Hartford Courant

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 10:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHPDIT6p0xuwwdewe-sV54N_Kd1QQ&url=http://www.courant.com/community/hcrs-65264hc-newington-20120911,0,705975.story

READER SUBMITTED: Public Invited To Newington Amateur Radio League ...
Hartford Courant
There will be an Open House and Social for the public at the Newington Senior Center on Monday, Oct. 1 at 7 p.m. presented by the Newington Amateur Radio League (NARL) at 120 Cedar St. (across from the Lucy Welles Library). Admission is free.

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Local hams radio from Ohio state park - Fremont News Messenger

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 05:35 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH7RNL33GCcN0HGlPtobKfMln5byQ&url=http://www.thenews-messenger.com/article/20120913/NEWS01/209130319/Local-hams-radio-from-Ohio-state-park

Local hams radio from Ohio state park
Fremont News Messenger
Those interested in amateur radio, licensed or not, are welcome at club meetings at 9 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month at the American Red Cross headquarters on Napoleon Street. It is also where the club maintains a ham station for members to use.

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Amateur radio club seeks used radio equipment - The Star Democrat

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 10:37 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHDoMZsdPfAPzpMMLUm7Fx_oDqdPw&url=http://www.stardem.com/life/article_918da398-fdc8-11e1-8195-0019bb2963f4.html

Amateur radio club seeks used radio equipment
The Star Democrat
CENTREVILLE - The Queen Annes Amateur Radio Club (QAARC) is seeking used amateur radio equipment. The club is asking radio operators, past operators and friends or spouses of operators to consider donating equipment that is no longer being used.

1753. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 14 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-14 11:03:55 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93404f3045bfa04c9a761f8@google.com>
Source record: 2020
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS contact planned with school in Kolo, Poland - Downlink audible over
Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kLuhvZPF04o/ariss_event_1909.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This will be a direct contact with astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI.
Downlink signals from the International Space Station will be audible over
Europe on 145.800 MHz FM

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Amateur Radio CubeSats launched from Vandenberg

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m75z1BjXLUs/amateur_radio_cubesats_launched_from_vandenberg.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On September 13, 2012 at 2139 UT, an Atlas V rocket should launch a
combination of 11 satellites from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California
for the US Government and NASA ELaNa university CubeSats

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AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium Guildford

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HAww-xdKh7A/amsat_uk_international_space_colloquium_guildford.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The AMSAT-UK Colloquium takes place this weekend September 15-16 at the
Holiday Inn, Guildford, GU2 7XZ and is open to all

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Sable Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nh5OZGZiluE/sable_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Planning continues for the October 8-17th DXpedition to Sable Island (CY0).
Half of our gear is in storage at the Maritime Air Charter facility in
Halifax, Nova Scotia. We are in the process of shipping the rest

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Azores Nine Islands Hunt

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vlYkwRMsN1U/azores_nine_islands_hunt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is often said that DXers only work DX. More recently, we have seen a
healthy shift toward assisting the society they visit by helping locals
become stronger in Amateur Radio

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lOLMra-lsjk/september_14.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Madeira ops gear-up for contest season

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QSNbhmyMKrg/madeira_ops_gear_up_for_contest_season.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The CR3L contest station in Santana on Madeira Island (AF-014) will be busy
over the next few months during the upcoming contest season

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

1754. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1831 - September 14 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-14 12:05:10 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120914090004.1024433C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2021
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1831 - September 14 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1831 with a release date of
September 14 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Two illegal operations in Canada are evicted
from 2 meters; the Radio Society of Great Britain takes on Region One
of the International Amateur Radio Union over the endorsement of a more
liberal B-P-L standard; the FAA to begin a new study of the use of
broadband devices on aircraft in flight and a safety warning about
those tiny button batteries. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio
Newsline(tm) report number 1831 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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ENFORCEMENT: TWO COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS EVICTED FROM 2 METERS IN CANADA

Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced that two cases of frequency
incursion to the 2 meter band by business users have been resolved.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Aaren Jensen, VA7AEJ, reports:

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In the first incident, a transportation company based in Reinfeld,
Manitoba was observed to be operating illegally on 144.100 Mhz. The
company in question had purchased VHF radios from a US based supplier
who failed to indicate correct licensing procedures.

Once contacted by Radio Amateurs of Canada the company agreed to
immediately cease operating in the two meter band and shifted its
operation to a business band frequency. Industry Canada was notified of
the incursion and continues to work with the company to secure a
licensed channel. In addition to illegally transmitting inside the
amateur radio two meter band, this operation posed a threat to low
signal operations across a wide portion of North America

In the second matter, a home moving company was observed to be
operating on 144.940 Mhz. The company in question is based in Winkler,
Manitoba, but the operation was observed in Alberta during the moving
of a house.

In this case, the company had already been licensed to specific
frequencies with Industry Canada. However it had requested 144.940 Mhz
as a channel. Their request was denied and a business band channels
were issued. However, the company failed to check tits license

paperwork and assumed it had been approved for their requested frequency.

As in the first case, the moving company was also contacted by Radio Amateurs of Canada and agreed to move their operations to their correctly licensed frequencies. Given their wide geographic operations Industry Canada had licensed their operation on four separate frequencies including 140.730, 154.325, 158.940 and 151.730 MHz.

In both cases, it appears that frequencies in the two meter band were chosen by these businesses because their new vhf radios defaulted to that frequency range. This is definitely an indicator that the actual radio gear being used is likely to be modified amateur radio transceivers.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Aaren Jensen, VA7AEJ, in Lumby, British Columbia Canada.

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The use of equipment intended for amateur radio operation outside of the amateur bands or by persons who do not hold an Canadian Amateur Radio Certificate is illegal. What punitive action Industry Canada might impose on the two companies for their incursion into the 2 meter band is at this time unknown. (RAC, VE4WO)

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RADIO LAW: RSGB ASKS IARU R-2 TO RECONSIDER PLT STANDARD

The Radio Society of Great Britain has formally asked the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Electromagnetic Compatibility Working Group to reconsider its policy on the draft European Broadband over Powerline or PLT standard. One that the RSGB claims to threaten a 38 dB increase in R-F pollution over much of the short wave radio spectrum

The request from the RSGB came in an August 28th letter to C.M. Verholt, who is the Chairman of the IARU Region 1 EMC Working Group from the RSGB's Don Beattie G3BJ. In it, Beattie says that there is no way that the emissions from devices meeting this new standard can satisfy the essential requirements of the EMC Directive outside the notched frequencies. As such, G3BJ says that the IARU Region 1 EMC Working Group is in effect condoning overriding the essential requirements of the Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive by backing the standard. He says that this action of the Commission is clearly contrary to the law of the European Union and therefore open to judicial review.

Beattie goes on to say that the new emission levels, if sanctioned, will inevitably become the baseline for future standards. In this context he notes that that there are already some new drafts that are circulating which reference the more liberal proposed emission levels.

Beattie ends his letter by saying that the RSGB hopes that common sense will prevail and that IARU Region 1 will amend its position on this matter. The IARU Region 1 EMC Working Group had previously added its support to the new Pan-European Electromagnetic Compatibility standard that the RSGB so vigorously opposes. (GB2RS)

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RADIO LAW: PLMRS NARROWBANDING TAKES EFFECT ON JANUARY 1 2013

The FCC has sent out a notice to the manufacturers, importers, distributes and users of Private Land Mobile two-way radio that the deadline to switch to 12.5 Khz narrow band transmission is January 1, 2013. This is for two way radio gear that operates in the 150 to 174 MHz and 421 to 470 MHz frequency bands, not including the 2 meter or 70 centimeter Amateur Service spectrum from 144 to 148 MHz or 430 to 450 MHz. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Davis, W2JKD, reports:

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According to the FCC the reason for this mandated change is to promote the efficient use of private land mobile radio spectrum and to facilitate the introduction of advanced technologies. In other words, this government edict is not only applicable to analog FM based communications but to current and all future digital modes as well.

The FCC also notes that Private Land Mobile Radio licensees are not required, at this time, to modify their licenses to remove wideband emission designators. However, the presence of a wideband emission designator on a license does not authorize operation after January 1, 2013 that does not comply with the new narrowbanding standards.

The FCC release also reminds manufacturers, subject to the limited exceptions, that they must cease manufacturing and importing equipment that is capable of 25 kHz mode operation in the VHF and UHF bands by the narrowbanding transition deadline.

I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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While the Amateur Service is exempt from the new narrowbanding mandate, do not be to surprised if future generations of off the shelf VHF and UHF ham gear is built to conform to this new commercial radio standard. Especially if a manufacturers primary business is in supplying Private Land Mobile Service radio gear with ham gear as a secondary product line. Its simply less expensive for them to do it that way. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: NEW ZEALAND TO ENFORCE UHF CB NARROWBANDING

In a similar move, New Zealand's telecommunications regulator has issued an edict to all manufacturers and importers of UHF CB radio equipment with 25 kHz channel spacing. It notes that in accordance

with the nations General User Radio License for citizen band operation, equipment that does not comply with a new narrowbanding specification cannot be sold in that nation if it is manufactured or imported after December 1st. Only current stock of 25 kHz radios on hand and merchandise in the domestic New Zealand distribution pipeline can be sold after that date. (NZART)

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RESTRUCTURING: TV SPECTRUM AUCTION UPDATE

According to top FCC officials, FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski will soon circulate the FCC's long-awaited framework for reclaiming and re-auctioning broadcast spectrum for wireless use, and repacking remaining stations. This, with the target of having a report and order voted by mid-2013 and the auctions completed by the end of 2014.

The document is described as a comprehensive treatment rather than the first of a series of items. As such it's expected to contain many detailed proposals that the FCC will then seek comment on and adjust as needed. The FCC is trying to move far enough down the road with this initial proposal to make that auction goal of 2014 a realistic one.

While ham radio is not directly involved in this frequency shuffle, there is always the chance that some bands like 222 to 225 MHz and 50 to 54 MHz could be impacted. This is because 222 to 225 MHz lies between what is known as the spectrum between the VHF low and VHF high band TV channels. 50 to 54 MHz that we call 6 meters is actually VHF low band TV channel 1. If the sell-off of the coveted UHF broadcast spectrum results in a lot of TV stations returning to the VHF bands then both these spectral parcels could come under some future reallocation scrutiny. We are not saying that it will happen that way, but ham radio has to keep a careful watch on how it might be affected in the years to come. (Published reports)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W8RLC repeater serving Lowell, Michigan.

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO LAW: FAA TO BEGIN INVESTIGATION OF BROADBAND DEVICES ON FLIGHTS

It's going to be a while before airline passengers can use their wireless electronic devices during an entire flight. Amateur Radio Newsline's Stephen Robertson, KB3HGM, is near the nations capital with the details:

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On Monday, August 27th the Federal Aviation Administration said that it is starting a process to study the issue, with a timeline that means it will take at least until March 2013 for a recommendation and likely longer for action.

Smartphones, laptops and tablet computers are common in the passenger cabin, and some pilots are using these devices in flight. But passengers have to shut off electronic devices when the plane is below 10,000 feet because of worries that they might interfere with electronics in the cockpit. And anything that has a broadband connection that cannot be disabled must be kept off for the entire flight.

Now, in its recent statement, the FAA says that it will form a committee to study the issue for six months and then make recommendations. The group will include representatives of the mobile technology companies, aircraft manufacturers, airlines, pilots, flight attendants, and even representatives of passenger associations. The agency will also ask for public input. The FAA often uses such aviation rulemaking committees when it is considering regulatory changes and their discussions often last months and sometimes even years.

It should be noted that the FAA doesn't actually ban the devices. However its rules state that airlines can only allow devices that have been tested and proven not to interfere with a given make and model aircraft's electronics. With thousands of devices on the market and new ones coming out each day, airlines simply ban them all during takeoff and landing. And it looks as if that's the way it will continue for some time to come.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Stephen Robertson, KB3HGM, in Silver Spring, Maryland.

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As to ever getting permission for hams to use radio gear like handie talkies on a commercial airline flight? There is no consideration being given to ever permit any hobby radio electronics to be used. The FAA says that allowing cellphone use during flights isn't under consideration either. (FAA, RW, other published reports)

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RADIO LAW: FENDER AND THE FCC ENTER CONSENT DECREE

Fender Musical Instruments Corporation and the FCC's Enforcement Bureau have come to an agreement regarding how the company marketed digital RF devices and how it will do so in the future.

The case which began in June of 2010, involves how the company marketed bass amplifiers, preamplifiers, tuners, wireless microphones and audio mixers. Imported digital RF devices are subject to the agency's

equipment verification or declaration of conformity procedures.

As part of the agreement, Fender Musical Instruments Corporation will designate a compliance officer within 30 days and set up a plan within 60 days to ensure the company complies with the FCC's equipment marketing rules. The company has also agreed to develop and implement an online compliance training program for all if its overseas Original Equipment Manufacturers that build some of its equipment. The company is to report to the commission within 15 days any discoveries of noncompliance and submit regular equipment compliance reports to the agency.

Based on a consent decree, Fender will make a voluntary payment of $265,000 to the U.S. Treasury and admits no guilt. In turn, the commission will end its investigation. The first installment of its U.S. Treasury payment of $132,500 is due within 30 days of the signing of the Consent Decree. (FCC, RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: BROADCASTER FINED $20000 FOR UNLIT TOWER

Not lighting a broadcast tower for more than a decade will likely cost Renacer Broadcasters Corporation a hefty $20,000 fine from the FCC.

Renacer owns the antenna structure located in Maricao, Puerto Rico. Responding to a complaint, an FCC Enforcement Bureau agent inspected the tower and found the structure had never been painted and had no lights installed. Because the tower had been that way for more than 10 years, the commission found the violation to be egregious and doubled the proposed penalty to $20,000.

Renacer was given the customary 30 days to submit a sworn statement certifying that the tower is now in full compliance with FCC rules and also to pay the penalty or file an appeal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SAYS RADIO STATION MUST REVEAL ALL CONTEST RULES

The FCC has affirmed a $4000 Notice of Apparent Liability against Good Karma Broadcasting. This, for airing contest information without fully disclosing the terms.

The case concerns WKRN AM in Cleveland. The FCC received a complaint alleging that from November 2007 to September 2009, the station conducted what the complainant called a "bogus" contest called "Who Said That?" In it, those calling into the station were required to accurately identify who actually voiced a clip that was played on-air.

In 2009, the FCC wrote to WKRN asking about the contest. The agency said that in its reply WKRN admitted the bit aired regularly from early 2007 until the summer of 2008, and then sporadically thereafter. Once someone guessed the voice a new clip would air.

The station admitted that for more than 20 months, no one guessed the voice behind the clip. Also that the station was not announcing all the prizes, but rather focusing on the new prize. Also that it eventually stopped announcing them unless a listener called in and tried to guess the voice behind the last clip.

Good Karma also said that by September 2009, some of the original prizes were no longer available. It claimed that if a listener correctly identified the voice in a clip, the station would have offered a similar prize package to the one that was originally announced. As such, Good Karma disputed that it violated the contest rules, arguing that "Who Said That?" was better characterized as a feature or bit rather than a real contest. It argued that as such the material was not subject to the FCC's contest rules.

But the FCC would not buy that explanation. In affirming the fine it stated that licensees must accurately disclose all of the material terms of a contest. Also that licensees must conduct the contest substantially as announced or advertised.

Good Karma Broadcasting was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine or to file a further appeal. (FCC, RW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: YOUTH IN AMATEUR RADIO PODCAST #3 RELEASED

If you are a young ham or know of one, you might want to spread the word that Episode 3 of the Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast is now on line and ready for download. In this installment the young hosts discuss what you should do after earning your amateur radio license including getting your first radio and joining a radio club. Heres a sample:

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Net Audio: ".to find a ham who will be able to assist you in finding your first radio go to a local radio club and become a member. Radio clubs will help you find your first radio and they usually have monthly meetings which discuss local issues in amateur radio and also organize fun activities like Fox Hunts."
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The Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast is produced by and for the youngsters in amateur radio. Its primary hosts are Anthony Spinelli, K2RCN, Sterling Coffey, N0SSC and Jacob Keogh, KD0NVX. Other voices include Joe Andrews, KD0LOS, and Matthew Chambers, NR0Q. Jerry Taylor KD0BIK serves as the shows Executive Producer. To hear the complete program and the two that preceded it simply take your web browser to yarphams.com. You can also find it on itunes under Youth in Amateur Radio podcast. (Youth in amateur Radio)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NORM ACES THE AZ TEST

Some names in the news. We lead off with Amateur Radio Newslines own Norm Seeley, KI7UP who tells us that recently scored 100% on the State of Arizona Traffic School test. While he does not know if he broke any records, Norm says that he finished the exam in less than 4 minutes and 30 seconds. At that point he got up and left his computer, after seeing that he had answered all questions correctly. We say, congratulations.

(ARNewsline(tm))

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W7EQI BEING EYED TO HEAD THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Regardless of the upcoming outcome of the November presidential election, don't be too surprised if Oregon Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI, is named to the chairmanship of the Republican National Congressional Committee. News reports say that House Speaker John Boehner recently gave a broad hint when he praised Walden by saying that he would soon have a "bigger job."

While the post doesn't get much attention from the general public, it's of major importance on Capitol Hill and is often viewed as a step up on the House leadership ladder. This is because thee chairman plays a key role in distributing millions of dollars in campaign help, in recruiting candidates and in making the tough calls on which districts to bet heavily on. (Published news reports)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: CELEBRATING MFJ 40th ANNIVERSARY OCT 5 AND 6

Turning to the ham radio social scene, all eyes will be on the city of Starkville, Mississippi, the weekend of October 5th and 6th. That's when hams from around the country and around the world are invited to join in on the 40th anniversary of the founding of MFJ Enterprises by the company's founder Martin Jue, K5FLU:

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K5FLU: "Its going to be a fun event. We're opening all the factories up for tours. We will have people working there with the machines up so that you can see everything.

"We are going to have a free lunch. You can come over and we will feed you some good fried chieken.

"We are going to have free tailgating. You bring your stuff (to sell).

"We will have a VE session for taking license tests. And we will have a special event station with our club K5MFJ.

"And we are going to have door prizes from each of our companies. From MFJ, Ameritron, Hy-Gain, Cushcraft, Mirage and Vectronics.

"And everybody is invited and we hope that everyone comes."

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Again the dates for the MFJ Enterprizes 40th anniversary party are October 5th and 6th at the company's headquarters in Starkville, Mississippi. For more information take your web browser to www.mfjenterprises.com. And oh yes, Ill see you there. (MFJ)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: PACIFICON IN SANTA CLARA CA. OCT 12-14

Two weeks later on October 12th, 13th and 14th the joint Pacificon and ARRL 2012 National Convention will take place at the Mariott Hotel in Santa Clara, California. Hosted by the Mt. Diablo Amateur Radio Club, Pacificon is considered the premiere West coast ham radio gathering and this year with the addition of the ARRL Expo, planners are going all out to make it the best ever. And by going all out we mean some 80 forums, a huge exhibit hall featuring all of the well known ham radio manufacturers, distributors and retailers; a huge flea market and several special gatherings.

Among those who will be appearing at these years Pacificon is Amateur Radio's best known educator and the co-host of the T-V webcast Ham Nation, Gordon West, WB6NOA. Gordo will be the keynote speaker presenting the Saturday Opening Address and word is that this is already a complete sellout.

Also attending is NASA Astronaut Lee Morin, KF5DDB. He has been announced as the evening banquet featured speaker. Morin served as a Mission Specialist on the space shuttle Atlantis for STS-110 mission that launched in April of 2002.

And flying in all the way from Lincoln, Nebraska is ham radios favorite kit building enthusiast, Joe Eisenberg, K0NEB. Eisenberg will be giving his acclaimed talk and demonstration titled Kit Building 101 and 102 at Pacificon.

Add to that the ARRL Expo, an all day Friday antenna seminar, special event station W1AW/6 and so much more that there's no time to mention it all and you have the makings of a great West coast ham radio gathering. And you can find out more by simply going to www.pacificon.org on the World Wide Web. (Pacificon)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: WB2MGP WORLDRADIO COLUMN ON FRACTAL ANTENNA MEETING

An upcoming article in a popular ham radio on-line publication will peak your interest if you are interested in the future of the hobby and what some of those in it now are doing to insure its future. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, has the details:

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If you are a reader of Worldradio On-Line, then keep an eye open for an interesting column by Carole Perry, WB2MGP. Back in June, WB2MGP and one of her Radio Club of America Young Achievers, Austin Schaller, KD0FAA, accepted an invitation from Dr. Chip Cohen W1YW to visit his facility in Waltham, Massachusetts.

Dr. Cohen is the inventor of fractal antenna technology and in 1988 built the world's first fractal element antenna. He is also the founder and Chief Technology Officer of Fractal Antenna Systems and was interested in meeting with the 17 year old ham. This after KD0FAA gave a presentation on fractal technology at a Radio Club of America Technical Symposium in Dallas, Texas, last November.

According to Perry, W1YW attributes his ham radio background as being responsible for his career choices and interests. She tells Amateur Radio Newsline that KD0FAA was inspired by the experience. Even more so when Dr. Cohen invited the teenage ham to co-author an article with him.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, in Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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WB2MGP says that this is what she calls the ham radio ripple effect at its very best. You can read the entire story in the next issue Worldradio Online when it hits you e-mail in box. (WB2MGP)

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NEWS FROM SPACE: EXPLOSION ON JUPITER NOTED BY AMATEUR STAR GAZERS

Amateur astronomers last week reported a bright fireball on the planet Jupiter that appears to be the result of a small asteroid hitting the planet during the early hours of September 10th. As the fireball faded, attention has turned to trying to discover any possible debris around the impact site. Observers will be monitoring the region in the nights ahead to see what if anything surfaces. Updates will be posted on-line at spaceweather.com (Spaceweather)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS TO GERMANY STUDENT Q AND A SESSION

A fascinating Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS contact was held on Friday, September 7th. This, between astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB and students at the Michelstadt Gymnasium in Michelstadt, Germany. The clarity of the space to Earth link via ham radio was amazing. It enabled Williams to answer 14 questions posed by the students during the ten minute pass. Here's a sample:

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Jessica: "What was the most scientific project you have been involved in on the ISS?"

KD5PLB: ".I think the most interesting thing is the investigations that we are doing on ourselves to see what happens to the human body after being in space for a long time. We are doing bone density; muscle measurements; workouts; different nutrition projects and all of that is going to help us understand what happens to the human body after a long time so that we can prepare the next generation which is your generation to go further. Back to the Moon and on to Mars."

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With this being a political season here in the United States, one student was curious if astronauts can vote from space:

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Arissa: "How do American astronauts vote for the president?"

KD5PLB: "Great question. Actually we vote by state in the U.S. and I am a Florida resident so I actually voted before I left. But you can vote from space. People have done that who are from the state of Texas."

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Over 1600 students, teachers, and others were in attendance, as well as representatives from German radio, television and newspapers. The entire contact was video recorded and is posted on-line at tinyurl.com/iss-german-contact (ARISS)

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RADIOSPORTS: ICOM D-STAR QSO PARTY SEPT 21 - 23

This years Icom sponsored D-STAR QSO Party runs from 00:00 UTC on Friday, September 21st to 24:00 hours on Sunday the 23rd. The goal of the D-STAR QSO Party is to communicate through as many D-STAR repeaters as possible throughout the world. All operators who submit an approved log will be eligible for the prize draw with winners randomly selected for each prize. For more information on this year's event take your web browser to tinyurl.com/DSTAR-contest-2012. (ICOM)

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DX

In DX, word that DL3JH, is active stroke 6Y5 from Jamaica through September 22nd. His operation should be on all of the High Frequency bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign only.

PT2OP will be operational as 3D2OP from Fiji between October 7th and the 14th. His activity will be holiday style on the High Frequency bands. QSL via his home callsign, either direct or via the bureau.

And speaking about Fiji, PY7ZY will be on from there as 3D2ZY from there between October 11th and the 15th. This just prior to his participation in the Tarawa Island, Western Kiribati, DXpedition. His operation will also be on the High Frequency bands with QSL's also going via his home callsign.

F6ICX will be active as 5R8IC from Saint Marie Island, Madagascar between November 10th and December 9th. His operation will be holiday style operating CW, RTTY, and PSK63 on 20 through 10 meters. QSL via his home callsign as listed on QRZ.com.

SQ1DWR, will be active signing stroke CE3 from Chile between October 10th and the 22nd. Operations will be on 40 through 10 meters using CW only. QSL as directed by the operator.

YJ8RN is currently visiting Loh Island in the Torres Island Group and is active as YJ8RN stroke P. The length of stay unknown and his operation has been mainly on 20 meter SSB. QSL direct only to Rod Newell, Box 905, Port Vila, Vanuatu.

Lastly, Members of the "Invoker Team" will be active as EG5INT from Columbretes Island between September 20th to the 24th. No frequencies or operating schedule has yet been announced. If you work them please QSL only via EA5KA.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: KEEP YOUR KIDS AWAY FROM BUTTON BATTERIES

And finally this week a warning from the Center for Disease Control saying that children and small button batteries are a dangerous and increasingly common problem for one another. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, tells us why:

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According to a new Center for Disease Control report, in 1998 battery related injuries sent 1,900 children to the emergency room. In 2010 that number had risen to 4,800 cases being reported.

Overall, more than 40,000 children were admitted to Emergency Rooms nationwide between 1997 and 2010. Almost three quarters of them were 4 years old or younger. One in 10 children required hospitalization. 14 of them died.

Now the CDC has singled out button batteries as the most potentially harmful type for young children to be near. These are the small, thin round batteries often used to power watches, hearing aids, and other small devices. They are easy to swallow and can get stuck in a child's esophagus leading to serious injury or death. In fact, the C-D-C report says that twelve of the fourteen child mortalities were attributed to button batteries and that the remaining two also likely involved them.

The data, primarily from the National Electronic Injury Surveillance System was collected and analyzed by the federal Consumer Product Safety Commission. The report states that the C-P-S-C is urging the electronics industry and battery manufacturers to develop warnings and industry standards to prevent serious injuries and deaths from button batteries.

The symptoms of battery ingestion include vomiting, abdominal pain, fever, and diarrhea, as well as difficulty breathing and swallowing. As these symptoms can be attributed to numerous causes, it is difficult to diagnose battery ingestion quickly. The report's authors point out that this is especially true when a child swallows a battery when no one is around to see them do it.

Battery safety standards for children's toys are dictated by law. All batteries must be inaccessible in toys designed for children under age three, while toys for kids under age twelve must make batteries under a certain size inaccessible. Even so, at least three of the deaths noted in the report were caused by batteries from devices not meant for children. These including a remote car alarm, a garage door opener, and a radio remote control.

A new law is being considered by Congress that may require child-proofing for button battery enclosures on all consumer products. Meantime its important that parents and caregivers should be aware of the potential hazards associated with battery exposure and ensure that products containing them are either kept away from children or that the batteries are secured safely in the product.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The Consumer Product Safety Commission says that if a child swallows a battery that you immediately contact your local poison control center, your family doctor, or the 24-hour National Battery Ingestion Hotline at 202-625-3333. You can learn more about this hazard and how to proceed in the event a child does swallow a battery at tinyurl.com/kids-button-batteries. (CDC)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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PASSED its USE BY DATE.

August 20 was the cut-off date for applications to be received by the WIA club
grant scheme committee, 10 arrived in time 1 didn't.

Yes one application was unfortunately received 9 days after the deadline.

The WIA Board has announced that the Grant Committee for 2012 will comprise
Reg Emmett VK7KK as chair with Peter Lowe VK3KCD and Rotarian of Amateur
Radio Bill Main VK4ZD as members.

They hope that grants will be announced by Monday 22 October 2012.

(sourced to wia front page news)

GUIDING LIGHT

The WIA Board invites clubs, groups of clubs and even groups of individuals to consider conducting the WIA Annual Conference. The Annual Conference in 2011 was in Darwin and the host club was the Darwin Amateur Radio Club and the Annual Conference this year was in Mildura and the host club was the Sunraysia Radio Group.

The "Guidelines for Hosting a WIA Annual Conference Weekend" is based on the experience of those involved in those two conferences, and Spud Murphy (Darwin) and Noel Ferguson (Mildura) have contributed to the "Guidelines".

The Board hopes the pattern set by these two highly successful events can be continued, with different clubs in interesting areas hosting weekends, usually in the latter half of May. The 2013 Conference will be in Perth, but clubs are urged to think about Conferences after that. The "Guidelines" set out the general procedures for a Conference, some of the issues that should be considered and the approach to actually coordinating and managing a Conference.

contact secretary@wia.org.au for your copy.
(wia front page news)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK0

VK0 Future Activation Notice
VK0JJJ/VK6JJJ

VK0 activation from Mawson over the 2013/14 winter.

Craig will be wintering at Mawson station 2013/14 and will be active on all bands with priority given to 6m.

Steve VK3ZAZ hopes to be active on Macquarie Island at the same timealso on HF/6m.

So swing your yagi's to the south during January and listen out for beacons as it's been 20 years since Antarctica has been activated on 6m.
(vk7wi)

VK1

Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club

CRARC have just conducted a Foundation Course Weekend for potential Amateursin the region.

A number of candidates were from the University of Canberra, who in fact have an amateur radio station on Campus and will be applying for a Club call signin the near future.

Out of the twelve candidates ten passed their assessments.

CRARC's next scheduled Foundation Weekend is in November.
(CRARC Education)

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web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

Amateur Radio will be conducting the next one day Foundation course at the
VK2WI site, 63 Quarry Road, Dural 23rd September . Assessments will be the
following Sunday. Details under Training on the ARNSW web site
http://www.arnsw.org.au
Contact by email education@arnsw.org.au or telephone 02 9651 1490 and leave
message and contact details.

Sunday the 30 th September is the next activity at the VK2WI Dural site, 63
Quarry Rd. Dural with the morning T&T, exam assessments and Home Brew
afternoon gathering. Check out the ARNSW web site home page http://www.arnsw.org.au
for the various activities. Those attending assessments bring a passport
photo and identification.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Become a radio amateur

Enrolment is now open for this month&#65533;(tm)s Foundation Licence training and
assessment weekend by Amateur Radio Victoria which will be September the22nd and 23rd.

These are at centrally located 40G Victory Boulevard, Ashburton. For enrolment
or more information please contact the Education Team Leader, Barry Robinson
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Central Highlands ARC AGM Weekend - SUDDEN DATE CHANGE BACK !

The famous and popular Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM weekend
at Camp Fairbairn, approx. 20km south of Emerald, was to have been on
from 4pm Friday 28th to Midday Sunday 30th September 2012.

Then the dates got changed due to a double booking with the Scouts
Queensland State Jamboree Committee to 4pm Friday October 5th to MiddaySunday October 7th.

Well, CHARC members have actually contacted Gordon/VK4KAL to advise that at
least half that were going on the original dates can't make the new dates!

So, Gordon has thrown his 89 years of experience around a bit, been assured
that CHARC will have exclusive use of the usual facilities at Camp Fairbairn
and that the Scouts will be settling in a bit further down the grounds.

Of course, any Scouts or Leaders that get to close on the weekend will be
recruited, undergo a crash Foundation Course and turned into Hams!

So - the Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club AGM weekend at Camp Fairbairn,
approx. 20km south of Emerald is again on from 4pm Friday 28th to Midday Sunday30th
September 2012.

Get your finger out and contact Gordon on vk4kal@wia.org.au
to get your bookings in or to find out more.
(Gavin VK4ZZ)

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Northern Tasmanian Amateur Radio Clubhttp://www.ntarc.net
October NTARC Meeting

To be held on Wednesday 12 October, this will again be the yearly pilgrimage
to Mt Barrow. Last year this was a really great evening and those that
attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves, especially in the extended twilight
that came with the introduction of daylight saving just days before.

This formula will also apply in 2012, so get along.

Arrive any time in the afternoon and NTARC have the site overnight so if you
are appropriately equipped, why not camp until next morning. There are
members who regularly do just that and they would love to have your company.

DISCUSSION POINT

Website News Feedback form

SILENT KEY

Hans Camenzind, Father of the NE555, Dies at the Age of 78

VK7 News tell us that last month one of the unsung heroes of electronicspassed away.

Hans Camenzind, father of one of the most famous integrated circuit of all
times, the Signetics timer NE555, timed out at the age of 78. Being a
gifted analogue designer, Swiss-born Monsieur Camenzind is also credited
to be the father of class-D amplifiers and he has introduced the concept
of the Phase-Locked Loop (PLL) in ICs. During his rather productive
career he designed over 140 ICs, wrote several books and many articles
and his name is attached to some twenty patents.

When a famous artists dies you will hear his or her greatest hits on
every radio or see his or her best films on every TV channel. Therefore,
as a tribute to one of the great electronics inventors of our century we
will play here Hans Camenzind's most successful composition: NE555 inbipolar.
(vk7wi)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL,
Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, AR Victoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

STAR FOUND DEVOURING PLANET

Astronomers have found evidence of a planet being
devoured by its star, yielding insights into the
fate that will befall Earth several billions years in the future.

The team uncovered the signature of the planet
that had been absorbed by looking at the
chemistry of the host star. They also think a
surviving planet circling this star may have been
kicked into its unusual orbit by the destruction of a neighbouring world.

The US-Polish-Spanish team made the discovery
when they were studying the star BD+48 740 -
which is one of a stellar class known as red
giants. Rising temperatures near the cores of
red giants cause these elderly stars to expand in
size. This in turn results in any nearby planets
to be absorbed by the expanding star or otherwise destroyed.

It's the way of the universe now brought to us
thanks to the art of radio and the science of Astronomy.

tinyurl.com/planet-hungry-star.
(arnewsline sep4)

RSGB sticks to its views on EMC Directive

Members may have seen recent press commentary about the RSGB's
position on the proposed European power line telecommunicationsstandard.

Whilst protecting to a large extent the amateur HF bands, this
standard, if approved, would legalise high levels of wideband
emissions elsewhere in the HF spectrum, in direct contravention of
the European EMC Directive. The European Commission's own EM
Consultant supports the RSGB view that the Standard would not
comply with European Law.

Sadly the International Amateur Radio Union has taken the view
that support for the standard represents protection for the
amateur bands. The RSGB has concerns that this is a narrow view,
and that setting aside the requirements of the EMC Directive is
not only improper, but bodes ill for the future protection of the
Spectrum and for the integrity of the standardisation process.

The RSGB position is now being challenged by the Chair of the
CENELEC Committee charged with developing the standard, who argues
that there is no current standard. This is simply not the case, as
the Commission itself has confirmed that the exiting CISPR22
standard applies to PLA devices and that it fails to allow the
high emission levels which PLT manufacturers say they need is thereal issue.

You can read more at http://www.rsgb.org/pla
(rsgb sep 4)

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
ww Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

JACK FILES MEMORIAL CONTEST HAS NOT CONCLUDED - JUST QSY'd till 2013.

The Jack Files Memorial Contest had been an annual 80m phone contest by the old WIAQ then the WIA Queensland Advisory Committee. The contest honours the memory of Jack Files VK4JF a long standing member and contributor to the work of the then Wireless Institute of Australia Queensland division particularlythe QSL Bureau.

Jack also wrote the old "Teleradio" notes in the 30's was the institutes Librarian and as a tribute the then VK4 Division saw fit to honour his 35 years of unselfish devotion to the Institute it developed the Jack FilesMemorial Contest.

The Jack files contest is normally an annual contest run in the month of July as a precursor to the Remembrance Day contest. The object is for amateurs to work as many other amateur stations, and particularly as many different VK4 shires, and lately towns and as many different states and territories as possible within each one hour block of the contest.

Regretfully the 2012 contest has been suspended.

The only reason, according to VK4TS, writing on wia Front Page News that the contest is now not on the web site was to quote "To avoid confusion".

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Northern Tasmanian Amateur Radio Club's Dave VK7DD and Joe VK7JG have successfully completed the installation of a 28Mhz beacon at Don Heads. 28.267Mhz with a nominal output of 5 Watts into an end-fed half-wave verticaldipole. (vk7wi)

VOODOO CONTEST CLUB TO BE ACTIVE FROM LIBERIA

For the 24th straight year look for the Voodoo Contest Group to again be active from Liberia between November 21st and the 27th. Operations will be from a location just South of Monrovia, the capital of Liberia.

Their main goal is to be an entry in the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on November 24th and 25th as a Multi-Multi category using the call signEL 2 A.

Outside of the contest the operators will use their own personal call signs.

QSL as directed by each operator.
(arnewsline sep10)

A group of operators from Switzerland known as the Radio 7 Team will be active from Rodrigues Island as 3 B 9 SP from between October 16 and 23. Most operation will be on CW and SSB with some RTTY and PSK 31.QSL via HB 9 ACA.

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria several special stations are active until the end of 2012.
Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and7Y50I.

E I 25 D B Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.
To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI 25 DB until 30th June 2013.
The station is operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led byDeclan and Pete.

QSLs to Declan EI 9 HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

Morocco CN 2 YZ through years end. His activity will be from the
city of Tangier especially on the weekends.

Philippine Amateur Radio League 50th anniversary special event
Look for special event station 4 G 0 LD to be active during 2012.
Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur RadioLeague (PARL).
QSL via the Bureau.
Also, the P.A.R.L. is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio
stations that have established two-way communications with at least 12 QSOswith PARL
members.
(SouthGate)

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

ZAMBIA MAKES READY FOR DIGITAL BROADCASTING

The Zambian government has issued 10 licenses and
16 construction permits to radio and TV stations in the country.

Those chosen are expected to switch to digital
broadcasting before the 2013 deadline set by the
Southern Africa Development Community.

According to the nations Minister of Information
and Broadcasting Services, the move is intended
to enhance participation in the affairs of the
country, as well as offer people an opportunity
to air their views on issues of national interest.
(arnewsline sep10)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

Two commercial operations evicted from two meter band

Following investigation into several member complaints, the Radio Amateurs of
Canada is pleased to announce that two cases of frequency incursion have beenresolved.

In the first, a transportation company was observed to be operating illegally
on 144.100 Mhz. In addition to operating inside the amateur radio two meter
band, this operation posed a threat to low signal operations across a wide
portion of North America.

In the second matter, a home moving company was observed to be operating on
144.940 Mhz. The company was observed in Alberta during the moving of a house.
In this case, the company had already licensed frequencies with Industry
Canada. They had requested 144.940 MHz as a channel. Their request was denied
by Industry Canada and a business band channel was issued. However, the
company failed to check their license paperwork and assumed they had been
approved for their requested channel.

In both cases, it appears that channels in the two meter band were chosen by these businesses because their new vhf radios defaulted to that frequency range. As well, both businesses indicated they could simply dial a new frequency into the radio to move out of our band.

This is strong cause for concern that the actual radios being used are modified Amateur Radio equipment. The use of equipment intended for Amateur Radio operation outside of the Amateur Bands or by persons who do not hold an Amateur Radio Certificate is illegal.

Action on these and other incursions has been made possible by quality reports from monitoring stations.

(Bill Gade, VE4WO Regulatory Affairs)

K3EST RETIRES FROM DIRECTOR OF CQWW DX CONTEST

CQ Magazine has announced that Bob Cox, K 3 EST, has retired as Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest and as CQ's Director of Contesting.

Bob has been at the helm of the CQ World Wide DX contest for 35 years.

During his tenure he guided the competition through numerous changes in technology and growth to become the world's most popular amateur contest. Cox's retirement is effective immediately. A successor has not yet been named. (arnewsline sep10)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF
WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au
http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/
http://www.homingin.com
http://www.ardf.org.au

ARDF World Championships were held last week

The RSGB ARDF World Championships team flew out to Serbia Monday 10th September. All nine of the UK competitors were self-funded.

UK ARDF events using the IARU rules have been run by the RSGB since 2002.

In contrast, most eastern European nations have been pursuing this radio sport for over 50 years and have a great deal of experience. These nations dominate the results, with Russia, the Ukraine and the Czech Republic particularlysuccessful.

There were four days of competition.

Wednesday 12th saw the first of the classic races with both the 3.5 and 144MHz bands in use. The inaugural World Sprint ARDF championships took place on Thursday and that format used 3.5MHz.

Friday 14th competitors used the band they did not use two days earlier.

Finally there was the Fox-Oring race on the Saturday and this also used 3.5MHz.

(sourced to wia from rsgb news)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATIONhttp://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570± MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

ANOTHER ZS CUBESAT ON THE CARDS

Twenty Interns at the Denel Dynamics Engineering Academy of Learning are designing and building a CubeSat as part of their internship training.

Denel Dynamic takes on up to 20 interns, students who have completed their engineering degree, masters or PhD. During the first year they spend half their time in the Academy and the other half in their designated departments.

"The programme is aimed at exposing interns to a complete product development cycle", said Grant Wilson who leads the Academy. "Designing and building a CubeSat and developing a ground station to manage the satellite is an ideal project to achieve this."

The 20 strong Intern Project Team was split into three separate teams, each responsible for certain aspects of the project. Team Ground Zero is responsible for the ground station and radio frequency (RF) link components. Team Virtuoso is responsible for the cube structure and on-board computer; and Team Frodo is 'sponsible for the payload, Attitude Control and Determination System (ADCS), and the launch. Read more about DynaCube on http://www.amasatsa.org.za.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

Plan now to be at a lighthouse

There are plenty to activate for the first time in next year&#65533;(tm)s International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on 17-18 August 2013 to take advantage of a local or exotic location.

A few DX spots are worth checking out and some sites remain in currently very active countries.

It needs a little planning and access to the structure relies on the responsible authority that run the lighthouses, lightships and other maritime navigation structures allowed under the event guidelines.

You can of course operate in the car park or very nearby. To see what it is all about, reports from earlier activations, the guidelines, an online registration form used by 60 in 15 countries already, and a lot more, atthe website ILLW.NET
(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK3114.070

JOTA/JOTI

The 54th + 1 Jamboree On The Air will take place on 20 and 21 October 2012
ann in VK7 NTARC's effort is at the Carnacoo camp site at Paper Beach, as part
of a Northern Districts camp.

JOTA/JOTI coordinator Peter VK7KPC, advises that he is planning to get to
Carnacoo on the afternoon of Friday 19 October to do preliminary setup fora JOTA station.

Peter advises that the final site won't be known until organisers have a
better idea of the number of Scouts attending.

Peter is planning to use the VK7RAB to VK7RAF link to contact JOTA
station being run South of Hobart and he is hopeful to have 2 HF
stations active, plus IRLP on 2 metres and UHF to link South and maybe
to North West coast stations.

North West Tasmanian Amateur TV Group (NWT-ATVG) have planning well
under way and the Club will again be providing resources and operators
over 2 days at the Paton Park Camp at Ulverstone.

Operators offering their assistance at this time with communications and
control are Neil VK7NX, Ross VK7WP, Paul VK7HPD, Jim VK7JH, Graham
VK7NGA, and Tony VK7AX.

Operating frequencies as per the official JOTA frequencies
published again this week, best read at
wia.org.au and read the text edition of this wireless news.

(sourced in the main to vk7wi)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIOIARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN Victoria are involved in 2 events during the next quarter.
If you are available to participate in any of these events, please
get in touch with the contact listed for the event.

Saturday October 20th 2012Mini Canoe Marathon
Echuca
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313
Email: gerwer01@gmail.com

Sunday October 21st 2012Stockmans Rally
Big River
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565
Email: ifm@live.com.au

Rally Victoria is again being held in the forest area north of Warragul
Friday 16th and Saturday 17th November.

Rally Victoria is an Australian Rally Championship and Victorian RallyChampionship event.

On Friday, there will be 2 bush stages and on the Saturday, 5 stages.
Each stage will be run twice.

As previously, Rally HQ will be at Lardner Park. Event commander is
Chris VK3CJK. Communications will be required for logistics, safety, and
scoring, with scoring and car tracking via 2m packet and other functionsvia 2m voice.

If you can assist with the event, could you please phone 51 955 247in the evenings.
(John VK3ZRX)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

SEP 28-30 VK4 Central Highlands ARC AGM at Camp Fairbairn, Emerald.

OCT 21 VK3 BALLARAT HAMVENTION

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD
AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1756. October 2012 QST - Digital Edition / SPECIAL DXING ISSUE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-14 13:07:42 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120914123714.6C2B527DB0E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 2023
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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September 2012 QST - Digital Edition
<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201210/>Dear ARRL Member,

The digital edition of October /QST/ is available now! Go to this link
and start reading: October 2012 /QST/
<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201210/>.

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* Build a shared apex loop array antenna to boost your receive
performance.
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* Get tips on how to make the most of modern DX spotting networks.
* Learn the real story of the historic 1954 DXpedition to Navassa Island.
* Find out why so many amateurs are eager to make contact with the
Sovereign Military Order of Malta.
* ...and much more!

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handheld transceivers.
* Listen to galactic noise on 10 meters.
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* Listen to the Hendricks QRP Kits Scout Regen receiver.

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73,

Steve Ford, WB8IMY
Editor

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1757. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 13 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-14 14:24:31 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <CU$YB5Af4zUQFwqA@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 2024
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <k2vbkgvoa1@dont-email.me>, Chronos <me3@privacy.net>
writes
>On Fri, 14 Sep 2012 13:29:14 +0100
>Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk> wrote:
>
>> I realise that this might be the best we're going to get, but it still
>> doesn't help people that want to listen to HF broadcast stations where
>> there are no PLC notches. I don't like that, even if the profusion of
>> other noisy SMPSUs etc has already degraded the noise floor.
>
>Another damned good point, Brian. The thing I got with my USB DVB-S2
>box wiped out everything from top to ten. It got replaced immediately,
>but would Joe Soap know to do that?

More importantly, would Joe Soap even care - or do anything about it?
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Ian

1758. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 14 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-14 16:07:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec50fdfbb65fe7504c9ab9f4c@google.com>
Source record: 2025
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Cork City Goal (jail) on the Air - October 14

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 05:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361412-Cork-City-Goal-(jail)-on-the-Air-October-14&goto=newpost

The North Cork Radio Group moves forward with more activations!

Sunday 14-October, 11AM (UTC+1), the NCRG will be activating Cork City Goal (Jail)

http://www.corkcitygaol.com/

The new Cork City Gaol opened in 1824 & was reported as being "the finest in 3 Kingdoms". In 1870 the west wing was remodelled into a double-sided cell wing & in 1878 under the General Prisons (Ireland) Act, the Gaol became an all-female prison which it remained until male anti-treaty supporters were incarcerated in 1922/1923. The Gaol closed in August 1923, with all remaining prisoners either released or transferred to other gaols.

At the same location and uniquely situated in the former Governor□s House, is the Radio Museum Experience incorporating the restored 6CK Radio Broadcasting Studio. In addition to an audio visual on Marconi □ and particularly his Irish connections, there is a wonderful collection of artefacts, including the RTE Collection, providing a nostalgic trip back to the early days of radio.

This event is open to all (subject to entrance fee to the Heritage Center), NCRG member or not, licensed or not.

If you want to experience the atmospere of the NCRG events, come along, work our station, and join the fun!

Hope to see you there, or work you on the air!

73 de EI1NC.

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Z81D South Sudan

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 02:25 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361354-Z81D-South-Sudan&goto=newpost

YI1DZ is currently active from South Sudan as Z81D

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/z81d_south-sudan/

73 Al 4L5A

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Z80B South Sudan

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 11:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361333-Z80B-South-Sudan&goto=newpost

K7QI receive new call and will be active from South Sudan in October - November 2012 as Z80B

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/z80b_south-sudan/

73 Al 4L5A

1759. eHam.net News for Friday 14 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-14 22:14:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934085756ae1404c9b0c047@google.com>
Source record: 2026
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #37 de K7RA:

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 07:22 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28982

Solar activity retreated this week. Average daily sunspot numbers
were off nearly 46 points, or about 35 percent, to 83.1. Average daily
solar flux declined 18 points to 118.9.

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ARNewsline Report 1831 -- Sept 14 2012:

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 07:29 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28981

The following is a Q-S-T. Two illegal
operations in Canada are evicted from 2
meters; the Radio Society of Great Britain
takes on Region One of the International
Amateur Radio Union over the endorsement of a
more liberal B-P-L standard; the FAA to begin
a new study of the use of broadband devices
on aircraft in flight and a safety warning
about those tiny button batteries. Find out
the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline
report number 1831 coming your way right
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Amateurlogic 43 is Now Available:

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 07:30 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28980

Amateurlogic 43 is Now Available:

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Ham Radio Operator Signs Off On Licensing Duty:

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28978

Wireless communication has fascinated Ron Toler for most of his life. He
got involved in amateur radio, commonly called "ham" radio, when he was 12,

got his first ham license in 1955 and spent a career at Motorola as a quality assurance engineer until he retired in 1998. On Tuesday, fellow hams honored Toler before he gave his last exam to aspiring ham operators at Green Clover Hall at the McPherson Governmental Complex. For nearly 20 years, Toler was a volunteer examiner and taught classes to those seeking their first or upgraded licenses. He has shepherded hundreds of people through the process. "I'm not giving up the hobby. I'm just not going to give exams. It's time for somebody else to have a shot," said Toler, who has taught at the Silver Springs Radio Club building for the last six years.

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Amateur Radio Club Seeks Used Radio Equipment:

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28977

CENTREVILLE - The Queen Anne's Amateur Radio Club (QAARC) is seeking used amateur radio equipment. The club is asking radio operators, past operators and friends or spouses of operators to consider donating equipment that is no longer being used. The club needs amateur radio equipment for emergency deployment, education and training and establishing fixed stations. Equipment donations can be made to the club as charitable, tax deductible items.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #38:

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 09:33 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28976

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, NG3K, The Weekly DX, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

1760. HOT VIDEOS SEXY PHOTOS WATCH AND FREE DOWNLOAD 21,

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 01:20:03 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <68a346c8-f884-49e6-bb29-7b4829fa39f3@k9g2000pbr.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 2027

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

1761. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 14 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 02:25:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8f12444a3504c9b4416b@google.com>
Source record: 2028
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Herbert Blasbert, 97, ham radio enthusiast - Cincinnati.com

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 04:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEOi1jhImeTjqIZlfy6aTWzpJY47g&url=http://news.cincinnati.com/article/20120914/NEWS0104/309140093/Herbert-Blasbert-97-ham-radio-enthusiast

Herbert Blasbert, 97, ham radio enthusiast
Cincinnati.com
“Herb was one of the good guys for Ham radio around Cincinnati,” one person wrote. Another said: “Many thanks, Herb, for setting up classes that led me to get all the Amateur Radio licenses. I thank you for the thousands of hours I enjoyed talking to ...

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Amateur Radio CubeSats launched from Vandenberg - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 12:22 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHDDAdrsX4CikaURBi7Vr0HziwPNw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/amateur_radio_cubesats_launched_from_vandenberg.htm

Amateur Radio CubeSats launched from Vandenberg
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio CubeSats launched from Vandenberg. On September 13, 2012 at 2139 UT, an Atlas V rocket should launch a combination of 11 satellites from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California for the US Government and NASA ELaNa university ...

and more

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ARNewsline Report 1831 -- Sept 14 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 02:57 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFJrkcv4Sq6n7Fnb2cDslpWBjfuGg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28981

ARNewsline Report 1831 -- Sept 14 2012:
eHam.net
While the Amateur Service is exempt from the new narrowbanding mandate, do not be to surprised if future generations of off the shelf VHF and UHF ham

gear is built to conform to this new commercial radio standard. Especially if a manufacturers primary ...

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Amateur radio club offers free ham radio classes - The Photo News

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGlIsfcIaq4FXtiCa8FglpRBExu4Q&url=http://thephoto-news.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID%3D/20120910/ENTERTAINMENT/120919995/Amateur-radio-club-offers-free-ham-radio-classes-

The Photo News
Amateur radio club offers free ham radio classes
The Photo News
GOSHEN — The Orange County Amateur Radio Club will be offering instructional classes starting Sept. 29, 2012, to enable citizens of any age to obtain their first ham radio license. This entry-level license, authorized by the FCC, is called the ...

1762. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 06:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1347688801@panix.com>
Source record: 2029
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1763. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 15 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 06:08:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234cdb114f3e04c9b76083@google.com>
Source record: 2030
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs Hamfest

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 04:46 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361472-Wheaton-Community-Radio-Amateurs-Hamfest&goto=newpost

WCRA's MidWinter Hamfest

Sunday, January 20, 2013

Kane County Fairgrounds

St, Charles, IL

www.w9ccu.org for details

1764. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 15 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 11:06:35 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9399dc55c6b0604c9bb8811@google.com>
Source record: 2031
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT-UK Colloquium webstreaming

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oh0wYOmZOfw/amsat_uk_colloquium_webstreaming.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The British Amateur Television Club (BATC) hope to be streaming the event
live

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End of an era for MKARS at Bletchley Park

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q_gzTGIiX7E/end_of_an_era_for_mkars_at_bletchley_park.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On the 1st January, 2013, the eighteen year association of the Milton
Keynes Amateur Radio Society (MKARS) and Bletchley Park will finally come
to an end, due to MKARS having to vacate their current clubhouse on the
estate

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The newest amateur radio club in the UK launches today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4lSI8yUNEk0/the_newest_amateur_radio_club_in_the_uk_launches_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Thames Amateur Radio Group (TARG for short) started its first day of
operations with a special event station from the studios of local community
radio station Phoenix FM in Brentwood using the callsign GX0TRG

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Saturday operation for GB80PW - with Jim Lee G4AEH

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PXlrByQ5K7Y/saturday_operation_for_gb80pw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jim Lee G4AEH (the well known BBC radio announcer from BBC R4 and R4 Extra)
has managed to find the time to join us on Saturday September 15th (today)
to operate GB80PW

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Amateur Radio CubeSats to deploy from ISS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9prMUPhspu0/amateur_radio_cubesats_to_deploy_from_iss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

JAXA have announced that the deployment of five CubeSats from the
International Space Station (ISS) will take place on Thursday, September 27

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club Fun Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6o8AxjK6znU/west_tyrone_amateur_radio_club_fun_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The WTARC will be holding an On Air Fun Day and BBQ today, Saturday,
September 15 from 1400-1800 BST

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ECI-QRP (East Central Indiana) - Fall Meeting Notice

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C1vQwZix53U/eci_qrp.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Can you believe that summer is just about gone? In about 3 more weeks it
will be time for another gathering of the ECI-QRP Group, so please mark
your calendars for our Fall Meeting on October 6th, 2012 from 12 Noon till
3 pm

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gu4jwsJdra4/037_september_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Solar activity retreated this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were off
nearly 46 points, or about 35%, to 83.1. Average daily solar flux declined
18 points to 118.9

1765. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 15 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 16:25:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51618a1d0e57904c9bffbb7@google.com>
Source record: 2032
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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AmateurLogic.TV 43: Antennas, Pi Tower Case, IC-2820 Review

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 12:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361453-AmateurLogic-TV-43-Antennas-Pi-Tower-Case-IC-2820-Review&goto=newpost

AmateurLogic.TV 43: "Antennas, Raspberry Pi Tower Case and Rig Review" is available for download and viewing at www.amateurlogic.tv .

Jim is at it with the torch again.

George builds a homemade Raspberry Pi Tower Case for less than $4.00.

Tommy reviews the Icom IC-2820 mobile rig.

Rumors of a new contest, plus lots more...

Download or view now at www.amateurlogic.tv

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Ham Nation 64: Bull

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 12:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361451-Ham-Nation-64-Bull&goto=newpost

Bob Heil visits with a new ham, Clayton Cullen of the Professional Bull Riders. Winners were selected in the Icom contest. George Thomas finishes building a shortwave radio, and "heads-up" mobile installations with Gordon West.

View or download at http://twit.tv/hn

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1831 September 14 2012

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 01:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361399-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1831--September-14-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1831 ☐ September 14 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1831 with a release date of September 14 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Two illegal operations in Canada are evicted from 2 meters; the Radio Society of Great Britain takes on Region One of

the International Amateur Radio Union over the endorsement of a more liberal B-P-L standard; the FAA to begin a new study of the use of broadband devices on aircraft in flight and a safety warning about those tiny button batteries. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline□ report number 1831 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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ENFORCEMENT: TWO COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS EVICTED FROM 2 METERS IN CANADA

Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced that two cases of frequency incursion to the 2 meter band by business users have been resolved. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Aaren Jensen, VA7AEJ, reports:

1766. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 15 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 16:36:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e82dc99526104c9c024eb@google.com>
Source record: 2033
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Ellis Island Special Event..

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 08:57 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361501-Ellis-Island-Special-Event&goto=newpost

ELLIS ISLAND, NEW YORK HARBOR: Nutley Amateur Radio Society, W2GLQ, 1400Z
Sept 15 to 2000Z Sept 16.

Ellis Island National Park,
historically known as an immigration center between 1892 & 1954; estimated
16 million

immigrants passed thru this station.
40- 10 meters. General portions of the bands.

QSL direct via KD2C C/O Nutley ARS or
BUREAU. Send SASE for USA, All Dx send $1.00 or New IRC

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IOTA SA-87 Isla Pinguino

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 08:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361498-IOTA-SA-87-Isla-Pinguino&goto=newpost

Activate Penguin Island IOTA SA-87 multimode 2-3-4/11/2012

1767. SARL News in English 15/9/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 17:20:57 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <51A1F66F7D704BF4B90ECC0BB8FFCAE2@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 2034
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS 16 September 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other newsreaders change to suit).

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it must be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs went silent recently. They are:

ZS1CP, Chuck Du Preez, about 2 months ago. It seems that no radio members had been notified of this previously.

The other one is that of ZS1VX - Valter Blaughsted, on 2 September after a long battle with cancer a month shy of his 79th birthday. He is seen as father of the west-coast publication "Ons Kontrei" which he started in 1968 and is still published today. He is survived by his loving wife Patricia and son Erik and will be much missed by family and friends.

We offer our condolences to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

RSGB ASKS IARU REGION ONE TO RECONSIDER PLT STANDARD

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION

THREE RADIO AMATEURS RETURN TO EARTH THIS WEEKEND

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

RSGB ASKS IARU REGION ONE TO RECONSIDER PLT STANDARD

The Radio Society of Great Britain has formally asked the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Electromagnetic Compatibility Working Group to reconsider its policy on the draft European Broadband over Power Line or PLT standard, one that the RSGB claims to threaten a 38 dB increase in RF pollution over much of the short wave radio spectrum.

The request from the RSGB came in an August 28th letter from the RSGB's Don Beattie. G3BJ, to C.M. Verholt, who is the Chairman of the IARU Region 1 EMC Working Group. In it, Beattie says that there is no way that the emissions from devices meeting this new standard can satisfy the essential requirements of the EMC Directive outside the notched frequencies. As such, G3BJ says that the IARU Region 1 EMC Working Group is in effect condoning overriding the essential requirements of the Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive by backing the standard. He says that this action of the Commission is clearly contrary to the law of the European Union and therefore open to judicial review.

Beattie goes on to say that the new emission levels, if sanctioned, will inevitably become the baseline for future standards. In this context he notes that that there are already some new drafts that are circulating which reference the more liberal proposed emission levels.

Beattie ends his letter by saying that the RSGB hopes that common sense will prevail and that IARU Region 1 will amend its position on this matter. The IARU Region 1 EMC Working Group had previously added its support to the new Pan-European electromagnetic Compatibility standard that the RSGB so vigorously opposes.

The SARL supports the RSGB's views as any relaxation in emission levels can have far reaching negative effects which ultimately may impact also on South Africa

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUM - PRE-BOOK FOR CAPE TOWN NOW

The last in the 2012 series of the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposiums will be held min Cape Town on 29 September 2012 at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology Bellville Campus. The full programme and registration forms are now available on www.sarl.org.za. Click on RTA or the link in the news update centre stage on the home page.

Pre-booking assists with catering arrangements and guarantees that you will be able to get the CD and the SDR kit at the meeting.

The challenge is on for the Western Cape Radio Amateurs to beat the Gauteng record of close to 100 participants. Please make use of the pre-booking facility and stand a change to win an ARRL Basic Antenna book. The booking form can be downloaded from www.sarl.org.za.

THREE RADIO AMATEURS RETURN TO EARTH THIS WEEKEND

After spending 125 days in space, NASA Flight Engineer Joe Acaba, KE5DAR, Expedition 32 Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS, (both of the Russian Federal Space Agency) will begin their voyage home to Earth this weekend, marking the

end of Expedition 32 on board the International Space Station. The trio will undock their Soyuz TMA-04M spacecraft today for the flight home. They are scheduled to arrive in Kazakhstan at the Baikonur Cosmodrome almost four hours later.

At the time of undocking, Expedition 33 will formally begin on board the ISS under the command of NASA's Sunita Williams, KD5PLB. She and her crewmates -- Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, of the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) -- will tend to the station as a three-person crew for a month until the arrival of three new crew members in mid-October, including NASA astronaut Kevin Ford, KF5GPP, and Russian cosmonauts Oleg Novitskiy and Evgeny Tarelkin. Williams, Malenchenko and Hoshide are scheduled to return to Earth in mid-November.

IS YOUR SARL MEMBERSHIP UP TO DATE?

The cutoff date for membership renewal of the SARL is 30 September 2012. On the 1st of October the SARL database will be refreshed and persons who have not yet renewed their membership will be indicated as "non-members". To prevent your uninterrupted membership from lapsing, renewals can now be done on line on the SARL web page or contact the SARL office during weekdays between 09:00 and 13:00 on 011 675 2393. Renew your membership now- It is the right thing to do!

CLUB NEWS

The West Rand Amateur Radio club is hosting its next flea market 12:00 on Saturday 29 September 2012 at their clubhouse in Kroton street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everybody is welcome. For more information contact Phillip ZS6PVT, 083 267 3835 or Geoff ZS6GRL 082 546 5546.

HF PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Only a few sunspot regions are currently visible.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 39.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent due to the lower solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

15 and 16 September - SARL VHF/UHF analogue and digital contest. 29 September - Flea market of the West Rand Amateur Radio club. 30 September - Nominations for MTN sponsored SAARDT awards to be in to saardt@intekom.co.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and shortwave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Martin Schwella, ZS4MS, and edited George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1768. eHam.net News for Saturday 15 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-15 22:33:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011da155edd2504c9c52022@google.com>
Source record: 2035
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Maroochydore Primary Talks with Outer Space:

Posted: 14 Sep 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28983

When you were a child did you dream of going into space? Yesterday
Maroochydore Primary School spoke to NASA astronaut Akihiki Hoshide in
space from their very own classroom!
The two were connected by radio wave from space via Mackay then onwards to
Maroochydore Amateur Radio Club. President, Richard Phillp, says it was a
perfect day with clear transmission.

1769. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 15 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-16 02:27:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011d90d3c568004c9c867d4@google.com>
Source record: 2036
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Around Town Massillon Amateur Radio Club celebrates 85 years on air -
Massillon Independent

Posted: 15 Sep 2012 02:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGagmrw_cQkUaJPxk6ZzcOE6WYUYA&url=http://www.indeonline.com/life/x2109443823/Around-Town-Massillon-Amateur-Radio-Club-celebrates-85-years-on-air

Around Town Massillon Amateur Radio Club celebrates 85 years on air
Massillon Independent
The MASSILLON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, W8NP, celebrates its 85th anniversary and hosts a public demonstration and open house 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at Menards, 3725 Erie St. S, Massillon. “We encourage anyone who has an interest in learning more ...

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The newest amateur radio club in the UK launches today - Southgate Amateur
Radio Club

Posted: 15 Sep 2012 03:10 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEE3RJJSmtXbAqOCzNO_05JFfFMiA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/the_newest_amateur_radio_club_in_the_uk_launches_today.htm

The newest amateur radio club in the UK launches today
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Thames Amateur Radio Group (TARG for short) started its first day of operations with a special event station from the studios of local community radio station Phoenix FM in Brentwood using the callsign GX0TRG. By working together with Phoenix FM, the ...

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Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa Transmission Received in USA - Somaliland Sun

Posted: 15 Sep 2012 11:57 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4YHLSYH5YrzLD6Ihx_BlbX6EFeA&url=http://somalilandsun.com/index.php?option%3Dcom_content%26view%3Darticle%26id%3D1465:somaliland-radio-hargeisa-transmission-received-in-usa%26catid%3D25:international

Somaliland Sun
Somaliland: Radio Hargeisa Transmission Received in USA

Somaliland Sun
According to Don who is a professional Ham radio buff, the signal as reported earlier is also superb in Japan, India and Netherlands at the 7,120 kHz frequency, said he, "the signal in these countries is available to me through the remote Dutch receiver.

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1770. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 16 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-16 11:06:15 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9341269de4b0d04c9cfa457@google.com>
Source record: 2037
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Egypt 2012 ... CQ CQ CQ

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jIojnWQoGu8/egypt_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development (ERASD) is announcing a special event - Egypt 2012 … CQ CQ CQ. This Event is a gathering of the Radio Amateurs from all over the world to enjoy the Radio activity and the fabulous Egypt. We are waiting for you from 18 – 22 October 2012 in Cairo

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Official statement of AMSAT-DL BoD about P3E and P5

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Hf4eDoCALMo/amsat_dl_statement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Because of the importance of the contents the AMSAT-DL BOD and Project Leaders decided to give this information to all team members who are currently or who were directly or indirectly involved in the past

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MFJ 40th anniversary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nOkDT1KIJCM/mfj_40th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

W5KUB will be broadcasting this special event. There will be a number of special guests, there will be forums, factory tours, and a hamfest to mention just a few of the events that will be shown live

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SARL supports RSGB stance on PLT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/F4k1Um2odiE/sarl_supports_rsgb_stance_on_plt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League (SARL) has voiced its concerns over Powerline Technology (PLT)

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Radio Technology in Action Symposium - Cape Town

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Zv-GHw3JEAs/cape_town_rta.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The last in the 2012 series of the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposiums will be held in Cape Town on 29 September 2012 at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology Bellville Campus

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5yb5MnCiGjk/september_16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Only a few sunspot regions are currently visible

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Morse Tests and Advice

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dfLa8fu3Shs/morse_tests_and_advice.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Demand Morse tests from 5wpm to 30wpm will be available at the National Hamfest 20012, also Ian G4XFC founder of the Morse Crusade will welcome anyone who wishes to discuss their Morse problem with him

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AMSAT-UK Colloquium videos available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YFpZp9pFt5A/amsat_uk_colloquium_videos_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Videos of the presentations given to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium 2012 on Saturday, September 15 have been released

1771. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1079

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-16 15:20:57 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <411488.53412.qm@smtp105.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
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September 17, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th-September, through Sunday, 16th-September there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E5/n, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8/s, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A, MONACO (Update). Nobby, G0VJG, will be active as 3A/G0VJG between October 1-5th. Activity will be on the HF bands using 100 watts and

SSB only. QSL via G4DFI (not G0VJG).

3D2C, CONWAY REEF (Press Release #3). Paul, N6PSE, sent out the following on September 10th [edited]: "DXpedition to Conway Reef as 3D2C -- It is with great excitement that we announce that our preparations for a large multi-national DXpedition to Conway Reef are going according to plan. We now have 19 operators from all over the globe to participate in this tent and generator operation.
Conway Reef is located in the South Pacific Ocean and is #35 on Club Log's most wanted DXCC list.
The bulk of our equipment has arrived and is staged in Suva, Fiji. ICOM is shipping the IC-7600 rigs to us this week, and they will travel with the team to Suva. Our advance team is arriving in Suva on September 21st to commence with equipment testing and loading on our vessel, the venerable Island Dancer II.
The main Team is meeting in Lami Bay, Suva, and departing by ship to Conway Reef on September 24th. The Team expects to arrive at Conway Reef and become active on September 26th. We will complete our Dxpedition on October 5th, 2012, and return to Suva.
The main goals of this DXpedition are to work every amateur radio operator who needs Conway Reef for a new DXCC country. In addition, we will be active on all bands from 1.8 MHz to 144 MHz, including the 5 MHz and 50 MHz bands.
We will be active on CW, SSB and RTTY. Special attention will be made to work far away stations such as Europe and Africa during those periods when propagation permits. The propagation window for EU and Africa is very brief at times and signals may be weak, so we ask everyone in the honored HAM SPIRIT to stand by when asked so that we may fulfill this need. Our destination will have a wide range of options and possibilities.
We will use our Satellite phones to upload our logs on a daily basis to our on-line log. We will upload to LOTW approximately six months following the DXpedition.
Our team consists of these Operators: Hrane/YT1AD (Leader), Aleksej/UA4HOX (Co-Leader-Operations), Paul/N6PSE (Co-Leader-PR & Fundraising), David/WD5COV, Vasily/RW4NW, David/AH6HY, Alan/K6SRZ (Team Physician), Alan/AD6E, Sergej/RZ3FW, Craig/K9CT, Stan/LZ1GC, George/N6NKT, Peter/PY5CC, Mike/K6MKF, Jim/K9JM, Miguel/PY3MM, Luciano/PY5KD, Dragan/YT3W and Tevita/3D2TR. Our Pilot Stations are: Aca/YU1AA, Toma/YU1AB and Andre/V51B.
We wish everyone good propagation, and we hope that you enjoy working the 3D2C Team.
We are very grateful to INDEXA, NCDXF and all of the Clubs and individuals who have provided monetary support for this Dxpedition. We sincerely hope we can satisfy your needs!
At this time, we are seeking additional Club and Individual Sponsors to help us defray the costs of carrying out this DXpedition. Donations can be made via the 3D2C web page. OQRS will be available upon completion of the DXpedition.
Our official website is <http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html>
3D2C Team"

4O, MONTENEGRO. Chab, YT7WA, will be active as 4O/homecall from the Village of Buljarice between now and September 23rd. Activity will be on BPSK and QPSK.

4S, SRI LANKA. A group of JA operators are now active from Trincomalee in eastern Sri Lanka using individual callsigns until September 20th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Operators mentioned are Hiroshi/ JA3HBF (4S7HBG), Toru/JR3QHQ (4S7QHG), Nakasako/JA3UJR (4S7UJG), Ryo/ JG3DOG (4S7DOG), Ikuo/JA3TJA (4S7TAG), 7M3FMR (4S7TEG), Kunio/JH3LSS (4S7LSG) and Tatsuo/JA3ARJ (4S7ARG). By the way, the JA team also activated Pigeon Island in the Sri Lanka's Coastal Island IOTA Group (AS-171) this past Sunday for a few hours. QSL via their home callsigns or via the instructions of the operator.

5H, TANZANIA. Noel, WB0VGI, informs OPDX that he will arrive in Tanzania on September 18th. However, he will be settling in and touring the country first before operating. He suspects that he will not be able to operate until at least October 8th, and will be active as 5H3NP from Iringa until December 15th. His plan is to operate 20/15/10 meters initially. Noel will have to build a WARC band antenna if he can find the room. Operations will be on CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

5W & KH8, SAMOA AND AMERICAN SAMOA (Update). John, N7CQQ, sent out the following press release on September 12th [edited]: "We plan to depart Western Samoa (5W) on or about the 18th of September and join the party at a Trade Winds hotel in American Samoa. The gang from Swains should be arriving a day or two following our arrival back in American Samoa [AS] (KH8). Party will begin. We will see them off from the airport.
N7CQQ (5W0QQ) and N6XT (5W0XT) will continue to operate from AS until our planned departure on October 1st. We expect (or will try to) setup our station at the Trade Winds hotel for the remainder of our stay. We might also have access to the AH8LG station for QRO operation. We will set up for 60 meter operation from Western Samoa (WS) also. As soon as we set up a schedule for 60 meters, it will be posted here on your favorite DX news source.
PS: A special thank you to Atsuo, 5W1SA, for opening his home/ham station and very generous support while in Western Samoa. He drove us around and showed us the ropes here until we felt comfortable to do it on our own. Atsuo has a computer and wireless internet business here in Samoa.
Atsuo is forming a Ham Club here for visiting hams from around the world. We have contributed a donation to get him started. His plan, on the one acre hill top, is to get the property surveyed, the weeds cut, haul in some crushed rock and then obtain a 20 foot shipping container. I offered to purchase half of a shipping container to help get Atsuo started. (I might get my Call Sign on the side of the container?)
We have made plans to return to Western Samoa next year to build antennas and work on the site. This is an aggressive schedule for Samoa; I will keep you posted on the progress.
Atsuo will be putting up a Web page to post pictures and progress notes. The Web site will have suggested lodging sites, logistic information, car rental info, licensing info, and a list of the Charter Members of the

Samoa Ham Club. I will add a section to the Web site to give details of
our attempt to visit Tokelau, ZK3.
So here is your chance to make the DXCC program stronger by getting a
world class ham site going on Samoa.
N7CQQ (n7cqq@msn.com) (atsuo@5w1sa.com)"

9H, MALTA. Gus, ON6KE, will be active as 9H3AK from Gozo (EU-023) between
September 22-28th. Activity will be holiday style on 40/30/20 meters
operating QRP (2-5 watts) CW. Suggested frequencies are 7030/7040,
10106/10116 and 14060 kHz. QSL only via LoTW and eQSL and LoTW. He states,
"NO Bureau" and "no printed QSL, sorry".

A7, QATAR. Members of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society are heading for
the beach again for a Multi-Operator/Multi-Transmitter entry in the CQWW
DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). This year the A73A team will include
Ali/A71BX, Rashid/A71AD, Abdulla/A71CV, Khalid/A71CO, Mohammad/A71EL,
Saif/A71AM, Ali/A71BZ, Ibrahim/A61ZX, Khalid/A61BK, Dave/K5GN,N5OT,
David/N6AN, Larry/N6TR and Aoli/HA1AG. QSL via EA7FTR.

A SLICK CERTIFICATE FROM THE AZORES NINE ISLANDS HUNT ORGANIZERS! [edited]
Press Release from Martti, OH2BH, dated September 14, 2012: "While this
special activity will feature a hunt to work the maximum number of Azores
islands, the Organizing Committee has today released the copy of a
beautiful certificate available to all who manage to contact all 9 islands
during the weekend of September 28-30th, 2012. The certificate will be
sent by E-mail to those eligible for the Certificate of Merit presented
as part of this release and shown at <http://azores-islands-hunt.com/>
This new element will add to the grand prizes (2) of free travel to the
Azores that are to be given out on October 15 as part of a lucky draw.
Also, the renowned Club Log will be featured as a window to all 9
islands logs almost real-time with special software combining all nine
islands logs into one overview.
We kindly ask you to pass the Nine Islands banner to your favorite
webmaster and ask him to link it to <http://azores-islands-hunt.com/>."
ADDED NOTE: The certificate can also be seen on the Northern Ohio DX
Association's FaceBook page (see URL below).

BX5, TAIWAN (AS-020). Jimmy, BX5AA, from Changhua City, Taiwan (WLOTA
0022), will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th)
as a Single-Op/Single-All/High-Power entry. Jimmy states that BX5 is a
rare prefix for Taiwan (CQ 24). QSL via BX5AA, direct (see QRZ.com).
Visit his Web page at: http://blog.yam.com/bx5aa

BY, CHINA. Look for the YinZhou Middle School Amateur Radio Club Station,
located in NingBo City, Zhejiang Province, to be active as BY5CD during
the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band entry.
Their station consists of 2x Yaesu FT-2000 with stacked antennas for 40m
and above. They also have 80m 4 SQ, 160m full size Slope with Beverage,
and will use legal limit power. QSL via BD4HF, direct or by the Bureau
(May take a long time!). OM and YL operators mentioned are Jack/BA4ALC,
Ding/BA7MG, Bai/BH1DYK, Wei/BD1QXU, BG4AHK, Chen/BA7NO, Jordan/BA7MY,
Mark/BD4FM, Esa/OH7WV, Takao/JE2LPC, Fan/BA1RB, Lu/BA5FB, Bojan/BA5BJ,

Robin Le/BD5CHU and Chenxing/BD4HF.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA (IOTA Op). Alain, F4GYP, will be active as FO/F4GYP from several French Polynesian Islands between October 19th and November 6th. The islands mentioned are Tahiti (OC-046, DIFO FO002), Mehetia (OC-046, DIFO FO009), Moorea (OC-046, DIFO FO010) and Raiatea (OC-067, DIFO FO012) [probably during the weekend of October 27-28th for Raiatea]. He will be also be active on Motu Nono (OC-046, DIFO FO131) with the special callsign TX4FO. No specific date; it depends on the weather conditions. Activity will be on SSB and on 40/20 meters possibly 10 meters also. QSL via F4GYP, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-025. Valery, RA0SS, is now active as RA0SS/0 from Kunashir Island possibly for one month depending on transport. Activity has been mainly on 30 and 20 meters.

AS-043. Operators Suehiro/JI1PLF, Mitsuo/JA1UNS, Hisashi/7N1GMK and Takeo/7L4PVR will be active as homecall/1 from Hachijo Island between October 13-16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-054. Operators Raffaello/IT9ATF, Sal/IT9BXR, Renato/IT9NPR, Pippo/IT9PPG, Antonino/IT9RDG and Pino/IT9WDC will be active as IF9A from Favignana Island (IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA LH-1545) for the CQWW DX SSB Contest as (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. Activity will be on all bands and modes outside of the contest. QSL via IT9ATF, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-057. Volkert, DL6BE, will be active as homecall/p from Oehe Island (DID/GIA O-019) between October 29th and November 4th. Activity will be on the HF bands on, or near, the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via his home callsign.

NA-046. Larry, K4KGG, is now active as K4KGG/1 on Martha's Vineyard Island until September 18th. Look for him around 2200z on primary on 14260 kHz SSB, but he may also work the other IOTA SSB frequencies on 10, 15, and 40m. QSL via K4KGG, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-067. Glenn, NY4NC, will be active as homecall/p from Ocracoke Island (USI NC001S, WLOTA 0466, Hyde County), North Carolina, between September 17-21st. Activity will be mainly on 40/20 meters operating QRP CW. QSL via direct to his home callsign.

OC-160. Aki, JA1NLX, will be active as homecall/VK4 from Hamilton between October 18-23rd. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via JA1NLX. There is a OQRS on: http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/VK4_2012.html

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Kjell/LA9HH and Karl/LA8DW will be active as JW9HH and JW8DW, respectively, from Svalbard Islands until September

19th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW and SSB. They were both active this past weekend as JW5E during the SAC Contest. QSL JW8DW via LA8DW and JW9HH via LA9HH, direct or by the Bureau. QSL via JW5E (see QRZ.com).

K6, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Mark, KM6HB, for the 8th straight year, will operate as special event station, K6P, between September 21-23rd. Activity is to commemorate "National POW-MIA Recognition Day" (Every 3rd Friday in September as stipulated by the Congress) and "Honor and remember those that have served and are still waiting to come home". Mark states, "Please stop by on the air and help us remember and honor those that having given so much for freedom." Suggested SSB frequencies are: 7250, 14253 and 18150 kHz (+/- QRM). They will operate from the Southern California area. QSL for a two sided picture QSL card via KM6HB: Mark McMullen, P.O. Box 27271, Santa Ana, California 92799, USA. Logs will be uploaded to EQSL and LoTW.

KH2/NH2, GUAM. Dave, N2NL, will once again be active as NH2T from Guam (OC-026) during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) and both the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Bnad/High-Power entry. He is expected to be here until the summer of 2013. Dave will be active (outside of contests) as KH2/N2NL and during all contests as NH2T. QSL via LoTW or via W2YC. For more information, including a station description, you can visit his Blog Page at: http://www.n2nl.net

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 17-23rd)....
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Sep/18th HN-AN Sep/21st HN Sep/23rd AN
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Jeff, K5WE, will be active as KP2/K5WE from St. Croix beginning September 17th until 26th. Activity will be on all bands, mostly CW, maybe some RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

NH8, SWAINS ISLANDS. By the time you read this, the NH8S team on Swains Island is now QRT and in the process of tearing down their camp for a possible early departure. They were expected to be active until September 18th. However, San, K5YY, Swaim's 60m pilot, informs us on Saturday that the team has had "much bad weather conditions, antennas down, operators sick and tired and dehydrated and with some wounds requiring medical care."

The NH8S team has made a total of 105455 QSOs with 26010 Unique callsigns (43126/SSB, 54128/CW and 8201/RTTY). Breakdown by Continent: 522/AF, 2/AN, 28620/AS, 29509/EU, 43091/NA, 2663/OC and 1048/SA. The NH8S team recommends to QSL via OQRS by ClubLog for both direct or Bureau QSLs.
PLEASE NOTE: They will activate the OQRS system after the DXpeditions ends -- on or about Saturday, 22-September-2012. Complete instructions will be provided on the NH8S QSL page. Direct QSLs can be mailed to: Swains Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie, SC 29710, USA. Bureau QSLs go to AA4NN (but use the OQRS - it is faster). QSL via LoTW (Logs will be posted 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition). There will not be any QSLs via eQSL.
For more details on the NH8S operation, see the Web site at: http://nh8s.org

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Raimo, OH3BHL, will be active as OH0KAG during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via LoTW. There will be part time operations if 10m is not open.

P4, ARUBA. Helmut, DF7ZS, will once again be active from Aruba (SA-036) (probably from P40V's QTH), possibly as P40Z between October 17-21st. He plans to be active in the Worked All German Contest [WAG] (October 20-21st). Helmut informs OPDX that outside of the contest he will be active on 17/12 meters. QSL via DF7ZS.

PJ6, SABA. Mike, G4IUF (ISWL Member), will once again be active as PJ6/G4IUF from Isle House, Windwardside, Saba Island (NA-145, WFF PAFF-027, WLOTA 2043) between October 1st and November 1st. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or E-mail for Bureau request (see QRZ.com).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated Setember 16th)

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3V8BB via LX1NO (WAE SSB 2012) NH7O via EA5GL UA9FAR via EA7FTR
4L0G via EA7FTR OE/DK1AX/P via DK1AX UN7MMM via EA7FTR
5P1EBR via DL1EBR OF150M via OH8DR UN8GV via RD3AY
AY8A via LU8ADX OH/DJ9DZ via DJ9DZ UT/R100SG via RN3FY
CE2/CX1EK via CX1EK (d US ad) OH0V via OH6LI V5/DL3ZAD via DL3ZAD
CR5DBOSCO via CT1EPE ON68POL via ON4AZD V5/HB9PHJ via HB9PHJ
EG3SBD via EA3URS OX/OZ0J via OZ0J V55V via DJ8VC
EH2HJ via EA2CJW PR1T via LoTW only V63MJ via W5MJ
EX8VM via RW6HS (d) PW2D via M0OXO V73AX via WH0AI
HK1NA via K6IPM PW2T via PY2MN YU/UR8UA via UR8UA
IR2L via IW2LLH R20SRR via RK3A YY2CAR via EA7HBC
JW9HH via LA9HH R100RW via UA9OA ZA/OK2BOB via OK2BOB
JX9JKA via LA9JKA SB6HL via SM5YRA ZY5Y via PP5BS
LT0H via EA7FTR TK/DL4FF via DL4FF

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
-- PLEASE NOTE: No QSL-Infos from DL1SBF next Sunday --

E40VB QSL STATUS. Vladimir, UA4WHX, informs OPDX that the E40VB QSLs will be in the mail on September 13th. However, he also mentions that he has not heard from Bill Moore, NC1L, and the ARRL on the approval yet. He submitted all the documents to them at the end of July.

VP2V/AA7V QSL ROUTE. Rex, NR6M, will be the QSL Manager for VP2V/AA7V starting with the operation which begins September 26, 2012. QSL policy is as follows: U.S. stations send SASE and DX stations must send SAE with 2 USDs or 1 IRC with a current date. No Bureau cards for this operation.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 2O12L, A61K, CX2DK, CX9AU, D2EB, E51EWP, E51M, EJ0PL, EW2AO, F4FZR, FK8DD, HB9BXE, HB9CVQ, KP2/KZ5D, LU5OM, OE3DIA, OK1NZJ, ON4KEB, P4/WA2NHA, PY2YW, R5DT, RD3BZ, RZ3AM, SV1ACL, TF3ARI, TI2HAS, UA6FZ, VK2NRB, VK7CW, XE1ZW, YU1AAV and ZS6BXI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: A45WW/m, DP0GVN, DP0GVN/P, EA1CYK/P, FK8CP, HB0/HB9AON, J68HZ and TX7M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3G0Y, 4K0CW, 5N0OCH, 7Z1HB, 7Z1HL, 8Q7QX, 9G5ZZ, CE0ZY, CT9/DJ4UF, EA6/DL7UCH, HB0/DJ2IA, OX/DL1RTL, PJ2GT, SU1KM, TA2AL, TF/DF8AN/P, TO3GA, V5/DC8QT, V5/DJ9KM and V55DLH

REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO (To Be On The Air Soon!). Excerpts from the IARU Region 1 Web page reports: "Monday, September 10, 2012 marked the end of supervised independence of the Republic of Kosovo, a European country with a population of 2 million, and the beginning of its status as a fully sovereign state." It also states, "Kosovo is now an independent country, which must be honored as such. As of today, a total of 91 countries, including most of the industrialized world, such as USA, Japan, Germany, the United Kingdom and France along with the Benelux and Nordic countries, have recognized the Republic of Kosovo. These powers have endorsed the final settlement, the fulfilment of which is now celebrated in Kosovo's capital Prishtina. An Amateur Radio working group headed by IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, and including IARU Region 1 Executive Committee Member Nikola Percin, 9A5W and Mission Goodwill Kosovo Coordinator Martti Laine, OH2BH, together with their associates are in the final stages of assisting Kosovo's Telecom Authorities in drafting regulations governing Amateur Radio in Kosovo, to bring the original Kosovar operators and their re-vitalized Amateur Radio Association back to the international community. <http://www.voanews.com/content/supervised-independence-ends-in-kosovo/1505339.html>"
The IARU Region 1 Web page is at: http://www.iaru-r1.org

SU55, EGYPT (Special Event). Members of the Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development (ERASD) will activate special event station SU55J from Cairo between October 18-22nd. The ERASD will be celebrating 55th World Scout Jamboree On The Air (JOTA 55) and also participate in the event. QSL only direct to SM5AQD. Visit the Egyptian Radio Amateurs Society

Facebook page to learn of upcoming activities and all news about ERASD at:
https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Egyptian-Radio-Amateurs-Society-For-Devel
opment-ERASD/118552214859517

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI. Melody, T30MK, is a native living on Tarawa Atoll (OC-017) in Western Kiribati. He states on QRZ.com, "I will be pleased to contact colleagues from all over the world. Please, be patient when contacting me as T30 is a highly requested entity. I will try to offer all colleagues the chance to confirm a contact with Western Kiribati." So far, we have not seen any QSNs on the DXClusters, but we will keep you informed.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI (3rd Press Release - T30PY/T30SIX). "We are working on the last minute logistic issues as well as on final preparation of our operation. Although Air Pacific has changed our flight schedule multiple times, we are confident that we can keep up with the announced schedule. The first station should be on the air in the first GMT hours of October 16th. Then we will gradually have all 4 stations running. The quality and even the availability of local Internet need to be confirmed. Our goal is to upload logs in Clublog daily as well as send news to the community periodically. The current DXpeditions in the Pacific area give us additional information about the likely local propagation behavior on HF. We emphasize that we plan to have Low Band stations in every SR/SS as well as the 6m station on EME on every MR/MS. We are grateful for the support received from many individuals, clubs and companies. Support is key for the success of this enterprise.
73, T30PY / T30SIX Team <http://www.mdxc.org/t30py>"

T33, BANABA. A 14 member team of operators led by Jay/W2IJ and David/N1EMC is being planned for a DXpedition to Banaba for March/April 2013. A license has been issued (T33A), landing permission obtained and charter boat organized. The team's plan is to have 6 active stations on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY for approximately 12 days (including two weekends) returning to Tarawa on April 10, 2013. Operators mentioned are Jay/W2IJ, David/N1EMC, Arnold/N6HC, John/N7CQQ, Charlie/W6KK, Mike/N9NS, Paul/W8AEF, Cliff/KD6XH, Jay/AA4FL, Franz/DK1II and Carlos/EA1IR. They have 3 places remaining for interested operators. For more details in joining the DXpedition, drop an E-mail to Banaba[at]T33A.com. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

T8, PALAU. Hisashi, JF2SKV, will be active as T88KV from Koror Island (OC-009) between October 26-30th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign. For more info, visit the following URLs: http://www.facebook.com/jf2skv http://blog.goo.ne.jp/skv_2006

TA, TURKEY. Gab, HA3JB, will be active as TA/HA3JB from Turkey between September 22nd and October 2nd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He will also be in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSO is valid for the IPA Award. QSL via the CBA or his OQRS at:

http://www.ha3jb.com/oqrs.html

VK9C & VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND. Sadao "Dan", JA1PBV, will once again be active as VK9XS from Christmas Island (OC-002) between now and September 20th. Activity will be on the HF bands, 80-6 meters using CW and RTTY, with a focus on NA and SA. Dan will use a IC-7000, DM-330MV, X200PC and wire antenna. See his setup from last operation at: http://ito110.com He is expected to move to Cocos Keeling Island (OC-003) and be active as VK9CS between September 21-28th. QSL via his home callsign.

VP2M, MONSERRAT. Martin, G4XUM, will be active as VP2MXU between October 23-30th. He should be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via G3NKC.

VP9, BERMUDA. Les, N1SV, will once again be active as VP9I for the 2012 CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). Before the contest, look for VP9/N1SV starting on October 24th on all bands. QSL VP9I via N1HRA and VP9/N1SV via his home callsign.

YB, INDONESIA (Special Certificate). To commemorate the one year anniversary of the YB Land DX Club, a special short term certificate of merit will be issued for contacting YBDXC members as well as other amateurs from YB land between September 13th and October 31st, 2012. Members of YBDXC and non member YB amateur radio stations are assigned points, and you must obtain a minimum 50 points to qualify for the certificate. The award in PDF electronic form which you can download and print is FREE. QSL cards are not required, but you will need to send log entries by E-mail to sponsor. For further details, please check out their Web site at the following URLs: http://www.ybdxc.net
http://www.ybdxc.net/2012/09/yb-land-dx-club-1st-anniversary.html
http://www.facebook.com/groups/ybdxc
https://twitter.com/#!/ybdxc
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YBDXC_News

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN (Update). Jim, K7QI, reports on QRZ.com that he has received his callsign, as well as Diya, YI1DZ. Their callsigns are Z81A (Jim) and Z81D (Diya) and are good for one year. Jim is now living and working in Juba, while Diya is a UN WFP telecom worker there. The two operators will soon meet and pool their resources together to help bring Amateur radio to South Sudan. Jim states on QRZ.com that "most all of Juba has no electricity and the house I've rented is the same. My company is in the process of ordering 2 generators. I am scheduled to fly back home on 25th of September 2012, and will return to Juba around late October or early November. I still need to select HF equipment and VHF equipment, and will bring the equipment back with me once I've selected the equip-ment. I am a member of AMSAT back home, and am planning on becoming active on AMSAT from here. Once I am set up and operating, I plan on being highly active, and will be on just about everyday. So please be patient, and I will be on very soon." Meanwhile, Diya, Z81D, has a station already set up and ready to go. Jim states, "Thanks to his kindness, we both will be using his station until I can get my station set up." By the way, Diya was heard on the air for the first time on September 13th,

around 1745z operating 17 meters SSB. The QSL Manager for Z81A is Frank Remington, K7GSE. Please send S.A.S.E. with 2 green stamps or 1 valid IRC to Frank. The QSL Manager for Diya, YI1DZ (Z81D), is Stefan, OM3JW. To see pictures of both licenses and Diya's radio shack located at Nyakuron South, Juba, see "DX-World.net" at:
http://dx-world.net/2012/z81a-z81d-republic-of-south-sudan
ADDED NOTE: Both operators are now active and have been on 20, 17 and 15 meters SSB.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLAND. Hiro, JF1OCQ/W1VX/ZL1WY, will be active as ZL7A from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) between November 1-9th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes, with an emphasis on 80 and 6 meters. A beacon will be on 50.117 MHz around the clock. Hiro will use a TS-590S w/ACOM1000 into a Husler vertical for HF, and a FT-100 without a Linear Amp into 4 element yagi for 6 meters. QSL via JF1OCQ, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau (E-mail requests available) or LoTW. NO eQSL. For more details, see:
http://w1vx.net/pedition/zl7/2012ZL7.htm

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update/Press Release)[edited]. The following was release by Ed, VK2ARE, Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR, on Sunday, September 9th: "MONSTER ANTENNA! - The HARAOA president and DX'Pedition leader Tommy, VK2IR, has just finished construction of a 40 meters, 2 element Moxon antenna yes that's right a two element 40 meters beam is gong on the ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island (IOTA OC-037) for the activation between November 28th and December 9th. The element length is 15 metres long! To see the construction of this monster simply search for ZL9HR on Youtube: http://www.youtube.com/?watch?v Jo9LGOS7I
http://www.youtube.com/?watch?v Vvtc2ptvw
http://www.youtube.com/?watch?v EOlxcTVZ8
http://www.youtube.com/?watch?v 17FjlBQfQ
http://www.youtube.com/?watch?v 6lwNXMjCM
http://www.youtube.com/?watch?v 7p5Qkz3nI
The fitting out of the four shipping containers to take all the equipment has also been finished, and they are being packed. All of this is on schedule to be ready to be shipped out of Sydney in just a few days around the 15th of September.
The team is also delighted to have received several more sponsors, both commercial, associations and clubs and individuals all of which are listed on the web site at ZL9HR.com. Again a great vote of thanks to all of the sponsors without whom this DX'Pedition could not take place.
So where will ZL9HR operate? On which bands and which modes? While the aim is to operate on as many bands as possible and try to give as many amateurs as possible the chance to work this rare DX location, your vote on the website will affect some of the plans so if you haven't already done so, please go and vote for your preferred mode and band by going to ZL9HR.com and clicking on the survey button at the top of the home page. Presently 10m is by far the most requested band followed by 160m, as for modes CW leads Digital followed by Sideband.
Please refer to the web site ZL9HR.COM for the full, up-to-date infor-

mation about this major DX'Pedition to the Great Southern Ocean.
73 from Ed VK2ARE Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR"

The ZL9HR DXpedition Web page is at: http://www.campbell2012.com

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1772. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 16 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-16 16:20:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba593058ce204c9d40985@google.com>
Source record: 2039
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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4S7ARG 4S7LSG 4S7TEG 4S7TAG 4S7DOG 4S7UJG 4S7QHG 4S7HBG Sri Lanka

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 12:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361622-4S7ARG-4S7LSG-4S7TEG-4S7TAG-4S7DOG-4S7UJG-4S7QHG-4S7HBG-Sri-Lanka&goto=newpost

JA3HBF , JR3QHQ , JA3UJR , JG3DOG , JA3TJA , 7M3FMR , JH3LSS , JA3ARJ will
be active from Sri Lanka until 20 September 2012 as 4S7HBG , 4S7QHG ,
4S7UJG , 4S7DOG , 4S7TAG , 4S7TEG , 4S7LSG , 4S7ARG

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...hbg_sri-lanka/

73 Al 4L5A

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Special event. Live broadcast of MFJ 40th anniversary

Posted: 15 Sep 2012 03:54 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361587-Special-event-Live-broadcast-of-MFJ-40th-anniversary&goto=newpost

Live internet broadcast of the MFJ 40 Anniversary on Oct 5-6

http://w5kub.com will be broadcasting this special event. There will be

a number of special guests, there will be forums, factory tours, and a

hamfest to mention just a few of the events that will be shown live.

As in past broadcasts, W5KUB.COM will be giving prizes away to lucky

viewers who tune in to the broadcast. There will also be a live chat room

where you can talk to other hams around the world and also ask questions

realtime to the people at this event. W5KUB.COM is viewed in over 150
countries.

Please help us spread the word. You can get more updated information
regarding

the details and schedules at our facebook broadcast page at
https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/

We will also be broadcasting the 4 hour drive from Memphis, Tn to
Starkville, MS, home of MFJ, on

Thursday afternoon Oct 4 starting at approx 3:00 pm Central time.

If you can't make it in person to this event, we hope we will see you on
the broadcast.

thanks, Tom W5KUB

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live web broadcast of MFJ 40th anniversary

Posted: 15 Sep 2012 03:51 PM PDT
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Chatham Islands ZL7A 2012

Posted: 15 Sep 2012 09:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361548-Chatham-Islands-ZL7A-2012&goto=newpost

JF1OCQ will be active from Chatham Islands 1-9 November 2012 as ZL7A

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...nds_zl7a_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

1773. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 16 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-16 16:39:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8f12fc35da04c9d44a72@google.com>
Source record: 2040
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Fox Hunting gone hog wild in Texas

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 08:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361660-Fox-Hunting-gone-hog-wild-in-Texas&goto=newpost

Everything is bigger in Texas, even fox hunting..of sorts. This article http://www.dallasnews.com/sports/mor...omments_anchor in the Dallas Morning News tells the tale of radio tracking collars being used to help hunt down packs of wild hogs in Texas. Hogs do terrific damage to crops and fields here in Texas not to mention damage to wildlife and the spread of disease. We need some APRS tracker collars so we can watch the action on APRS.FI I wonder what frequency the collars operate on?

73 and good hunting!

W5XJ

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ANS-260 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 08:21 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361658-ANS-260-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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Cubesats Deployed From Vandenberg Atlas V Launch

The Atlas V NROL-36 launch from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, originally planned for August, successfully launched on 13 September at 2139 UTC.

This launch carried a satellite for the National Reconnaissance Office. Also aboard this flight at four cubesats as part of ELaNa IV mission and seven cubesats for government missions.

Several hours after launch Justin Foley, KI6EPH, announced via the #Cubesat IRC Channel that all eight P-PODS had successfully deployed. (Ed. Note: the #cubesat IRC channel can be found on the irc.freenode.org server)

The ELaNa Cubesats aboard are:

CINEMA (Cubesat for Ion, Neutral, Electron, Magnetic fields)

Downlinks for engineering telemetry and command are in the 2400-2450 MHz range; Science telemetry is in 2200-2300 MHz range.
CSSWE (Colorado Student Space Weather Experiment)

Downlink 437.345 MHz, 9k6 with AX25
CP5 (PolySat)

Downlink 437.405 MHz at 1 watt, AFSK on LSB AX.25 over NRZI at 1200 baud, every 2 minutes, begins 3.5 hours after first turn-on.
CXBN (Cosmic X-Ray Background Nanosatellite)

Downlink 437.525 MHz, GFSK, AX.25

The US Government Satellites aboard are:

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First cubesat to deploy 2.4 GHz Dish Antenna. WIFI transmitter will transmit on 2425.0 MHz with 1 watt of output power.Downlink 437.600 MHz AX25 1200 bps beacon every 10 seconds and spread spectrum two-way link

elsewhere in the 70cm band.
ORSES (ORS Enabler Satellite)HorusReAerocube 4A, 4B, 4C

Testing deployable solar panels.Technology demonstration
of "parachute-like" devices to deorbit satellites.Testing closed-loop
attitude control system based around a three-axis gyroscope.

Please refer to the prior bulletin for mission summaries and satellite team
web pages.

A detailed article of the launch can be found on-line on the
AmericaSpace.org website.

[ANS thanks NASA, the CubeSat Teams noted above, AMSAT-UK, Gunter's Space
Page and nasaspaceflightnow.com for the above information]

2012 AMSAT Space Symposium & Annual General Meeting Comes to Orlando

AMSAT announces the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday,
October 26th through Sunday, October 28th. The Symposium weekend will
feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques,
News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting
open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General
Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet-Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

Visit the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration.

Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are
available on the 2012 Symposium page.

Prices for the Symposium are:

Symposium Registration including Proceedings

Through September 23, 2012: $ 45.00Starting September 24, 2012: $ 50.00At
the Door: $ 55.00
Saturday Evening Banquet $ 45.00Sunday Morning Area Coordinators'
Breakfast $ 15.00Monday (Oct 29) bus trip to KSC and entrance ticket $
100.00

The Symposium Hotel is the Holiday Inn at Orlando-International Airport is
located one mile from the Orlando International Airport (MCO). The AMSAT
discount rate is $99 + taxes per night. The reservation block code used
when calling the hotel directly is AMT.

The hotel telephone number is 407-851-6400. The Symposium Committee
recommends you make reservations by calling the hotel directly rather than
through the Web. Cutoff date for reservations is Oct 6, 2012. See the
Orlando Holiday Inn web page for more details of the accomodations.

The hotel offers free Internet connection and free airport shuttle. When
you arrive at the Orlando Airport call 407-709-5310 to request the shuttle.

The Orlando International Airport (MCO) is the closest to the Symposium and is served by most major air carriers. The hotel address is: 5750 T.G. Lee Blvd - Orlando, FL 32822. A map link is included on the hotel web page.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

2012 Symposium Banquet Speaker - Astronaut Dr. Samuel T. Durrance

The featured speaker for the AMSAT 2012 Saturday Evening Banquet on October 27 will be Dr. Samuel T. Durrance, NASA Astronaut/Payload Specialist and Professor of Physics and Space Sciences at the Florida Institute of Technology.

Biography

Samuel T. Durrance was born in Tallahassee, Florida, but considers Tampa, Florida his hometown.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Science degree in physics (with honors), at California State University, Los Angeles, 1972 and 1974, respectively, and a doctorate in astro-geophysics at the University of Colorado at Boulder in 1980.

Dr. Durrance has been involved in space exploration, scientific research and education for over 30 years. He has logged over 615 hours in space as a payload specialist and member of the crew of Space Shuttle Columbia for the STS-35/Astro-1 and Space Shuttle Endeavour for the STS-67/Astro-2 missions.

He played several key roles in the design, construction, integration, and operation of the Hopkins Ultraviolet Telescope and NASA's Astro Observatory. He conducted research and directed graduate students at the Johns Hopkins University for 16 years.

He has designed and built spectrometers, detectors, and imaging systems, and made numerous spacecraft and ground-based astronomical observations. He conceived and directed a program to develop adaptive optics instrumentation for ground based astronomy.

He led the team that designed and built the Adaptive Optics Coronagraph, which led to the discovery of the first cool brown dwarf, Gliese 229 b, orbiting a nearby star. He also co-discovered a telltale signature of planet formation in the dust disk surrounding the star beta Pictoris.

Starting in 2001, Durrance was the executive director of the Florida Space Research Institute (FSRI) created by the State of Florida in 2000. FSRI was located at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in support of the State's Space Life Sciences Laboratory. Durrance guided FSRI from its start up phase to a successful research and education organization.

Since 2006, he has been a professor of physics and space sciences at the Florida Institute of Technology. At Florida Tech he is developing an interdisciplinary research program and undergraduate degree program in astrobiology. His long-term goal at Florida Tech is to create a climate where students and faculty can regularly participate in space-based research programs. His research interests include the origin and evolution

of the solar system, the search for planets around other stars, planetary astronomy, atmospheric physics, nuclear physics, adaptive optics, spacecraft operations, and the origin of life.

He has published over 70 technical papers on planetary astronomy, adaptive optics, atmospheric physics, nuclear physics, and spacecraft operations.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

2012 AMSAT Symposium Schedule

To help you plan your trip to Orlando the 2012 Symposium Committee has posted a high-level schedule of the weekend's events.

Preliminary 2012 Symposium Schedule

Thursday 25 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - 9pm

Friday 26 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - Noon

Trips to the famous SkyCraft surplus store 9am - Noon

AMSAT Symposium 1pm - 5pm

Saturday 27 October 2012

Symposium 8am - 3pm

AMSAT General Meeting 3:30pm

AMSAT Banquet 6:30pm - 10pm

Sunday 28 October 2012

7:30am AMSAT Area Coordinator's Breakfast

Trip to the Orlando Science Center

Monday 29 October 2012

Special trip to Kennedy Space Center 8am-6pm. The trip will include a round trip bus from the hotel and entrance

to the Space Center. The cost will be about $100. This is a wonderful experience for those that haven't been and for those that have been multiple times. We need to get an idea of how many will participate to select the correct bus. Contact Martha if interested

Watch the AMSAT Symposium Web Pages for the latest information.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

AMSAT-NA Board of Directions Election Results

As a result of the 2012 board of directors election, Tom Clark, K3IO, Lou McFadin, W5DID, and Gould Smith, WA4SXM, will serve on the board for two years. The first alternate is Mark Hammond, N8MH and the second alternate is Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK. The final results of the voting with 700 ballots cast are as follows:

Tom Clark, K3IO
514

Lou McFadin, W5DID
449

Gould Smith, WA4SXM
393

Mark Hammond, N8MH
309

Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK
213

Steve Coy, K8UD
162

[ANS thanks AMSAT Corporation Secretary Alan Biddle, WA4SCA, and Martha, AMSAT Manager for the above information]

DynaCube CubeSat Under Development in South Africa

A news item on the South African Radio League reports on their September 9 amateur radio newscast that 20 interns at the Denel Dynamics Engineering Academy of Learning are designing and building the DynaCube CubeSat as part of their internship training. The interns are students who have completed their engineering degree, masters or PhD.

During the first year they spend half their time in the Academy and the other half in their designated departments. "The programme is aimed at exposing interns to a complete product development cycle", said Grant Wilson who leads the Academy. "Designing and building a CubeSat and developing a ground station to manage the satellite is an ideal project to achieve this."

The 20 strong Intern Project Team was split into three separate teams, each responsible for certain aspects of the project. Team Ground Zero is responsible for the ground station and radio frequency (RF) link components. Team Virtuoso is responsible for the cube structure and on-board computer; and Team Frodo is responsible for the payload, Attitude Control and Determination System (ADCS), and the launch.

More information about DynaCube on the SA AMSAT web.

[ANS thanks SARL and SA AMSAT for the above information]

Japan's PROITERES Launched - Signals Received

The PROITERES satellite, built by a team of students and faculty members of Osaka Institute of Technology (OIT) was successfully launched aboard India's PSLV C21 rocket on September 9.

The purpose of the mission is to demonstrate powered flight using a Pulsed Plasma Thruster (PPT) engine. Its amateur radio callsign is JL3YZK.

PROITERES stands for PRoject of OIT Electric-Rocket-Engine Onboard Small Space Ship and will transmit on 437.485 MHz FM/AFSK. The spacecraft carries a camera and the two CPU's run the Linux operating system. Amateur radio operators around the world reported copying the downlink signal shortly after launch.

[ANS thanks Mineo Wakita, JE9PEL for the above information]

AMSAT Store Grand Reopening

The AMSAT Store is fully open for business after being updated. All the usual AMSAT software, hardware, and clothing are available, as is the registration for the AMSAT 2012 Symposium and activities. Please stop by, even if you are just looking!

You can also find a link to the AMSAT Store from our main web page. It is the bottom button on the list on the

left side of the main page.

If you don't find what you are looking for here, contact Martha at the main office:

E-mail at martha at amsat.orgFrom the US call toll free at (888) 322-6728From all other locations call (301) 589-6062Fax (301) 608-3410Regular mail: AMSAT, 850 Sligo Ave. Suite 600, Silver Spring, MD 20910

[ANS thanks Alan Biddle, WA4SCA for tha above information]

Five CubeSats to be Deployed From ISS on September 27

Five cubesats launched on July 21 and now aboard the ISS have been integrated with the J-SSOD small satellite deployer on the the Japanese Experiment Module, also known as Kibo. They will be deployed with the Kibo robotic arm planned September 27, 2012. Deployment of these satellites was delayed last week due to crew EVA activities.

The five CubeSats on this mission include:

Raiko

http://www.astro.mech.tohoku.ac.jp/RAIKO/ (Japanese) 2U cubesat, photography, Ku-band beacon
We Wish

http://www.meisei.co.jp/news/2011/0617_622.html Infrared camera for environmental studies
FITSat 1

http://www.fit.ac.jp/~tanaka/fitsat.shtml High-speed data test, high power LED visual tracking CW Beacon 437.250 MHz, FM Data 437.445 MHz, High speed data 5840.00 MHz.
F-1 Vietnam Student CubeSat

On-board camera for earth observation mission VX-3R1, 437.485 MHz FM downlink:

Solar cell power only, operates in sunlight only Output power: max 0.3W, half-wave dipole antenna Morse code beacon (10 chars) using PWM CW every 30 seconds
VX-3R2, 145.980 MHz FM downlink:

Rechargeable battery, operates in dark and sunlight Output power: max 1.0W, half-wave dipole antenna AFSK 1200bps, half duplex, one AX.25 packet every 30 seconds
TechEdSat

http://ncasst.org/techedsat.html http://www.uk.amsat.org/5018 Downlink on 437.465 MHz

[ANS thanks the CubeSat teams, and Mineo Wakita JE9PEL for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

California amateurs may be interested in observing the flyover on the morning of September 20, 2012, of space shuttle Endeavour. It is scheduled to perform a low-level flyover of northern California, passing near NASA's Ames Research Center and various landmarks in multiple cities, including San Francisco and Sacramento en route to its permanent home at the California Science Center in Los Angeles. Endeavour is mounted atop NASA's modified 747 Shuttle Carrier Aircraft (SCA). Additional details are posted at: http://spaceref.com/news/viewpr.html?pid=38476Keith Cowing from SpaceRef.com interviewed Flight Engineer Astronaut Suni Williams on the International Space Station:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=T_D_o9UxpTEScience minded hams might want to investigate CosmoQuest, home to several citizen science projects. You will find the opportunity to join Vesta Mappers - Explore the surface of Vesta, one of the largest asteroids in our Solar System. Or join Moon Mappers - to identify craters and other interesting phenomena in actual images of the moon. The Ice Investigators project will have you looking for asteroids and transient space objects to help to direct the New Horizons spacecraft. Visit http://cosmoquest.org/ for more information.This article discusses how CubeSats have captured the attention of space agencies and universities world-wide due to the significant amount of science that can now be packed aboard. Read up at:
http://thespacereview.com/article/2155/1+ The next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, September 27, 8 PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available on the N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

ARISS Status - 10 September 2012

1. German Students Delighted with ARISS Contact

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between on-orbit astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB and students at the Gymnasium Michelstadt in Michelstadt, Germany on Friday, September 7. Williams was able to answer 14 questions posed by the students during the ISS pass. Over 1600 students, teachers, and VIP's were in attendance, as well as representatives from radio, television and newspapers. Positive feedback was received from the school, including the following: "Older colleagues compared the feeling to

watching the moon landing in TV. Our Kids were electrified and already now we can see an increased interest in sciences and extracurricular activities. We are planning to continue this topic and have further projects in this field." Video has been posted. See: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4xmL6wSPWzE

2. Girls' School Speaks with ISS Astronaut

On Sunday, September 9, Tara Anglican School in North Parramatta, New South Wales, Australia spoke with Astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB via an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact. The radio connection was provided by telebridge station ON4ISS in Belgium. The contact was integrated into the school's science and space curriculum. Tara Anglican, a girls K-12 school, was selected by Oxford University as the Australian school to participate in the Global Jet Watch Program which links astronomers at Oxford University with students from four high schools around the world in Australia, Chile, South Africa and India in order to carry out cutting edge research. Oxford University installed a research grade 20 inch RC Optical telescope, together with custom designed instrumentation and an observatory with a 4.5 metre dome on Tara's grounds for use by the students. The school also formed a partnership with the Astronomical Society of New South Wales (ASNSW) through which students are mentored in complex astronomy projects by experienced amateur astronomers.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

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This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

1774. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 16th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-16 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120916200003.55ADD33C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2041
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 16th September 2012

Licence Examination

Almost all of the places have been allocated for the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m.in the ComReg Offices in Dublin. The closing date for receipt of applications is Thursday next 20th September but there are very few places still available

Full details, including entry procedure, examination fee and how to pay the fee online are available by clicking on the Licence Exam button on the IRTS homepage at www.irts.ie Places for the examination are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Please note that it is necessary to download the application form from the web page and forward the completed form and the appropriate fee in order to secure a place for the examination. If you pay the fee on line you must still complete and forward the application form.

North Cork Radio Group

North Cork Radio Group would like to sincerely thank all the supporters that attended our rally, it was a brilliant day and we had the opportunity to chat to many of our great friends. Thanks especially to the traders, sellers, and to all those who kindly donated raffle prizes, to include South East Communications, Longs Communications, Blackrock Castle Observatory, Claus Stehlik EI7JZ and Dan from Frequency Db. Your support as ever is much appreciated. The winners of the prizes were:-

Pat Ryan, Ken O'Driscoll, John Cahill, Dave Deane EI9FBB and Dave EI9GBB.

We also wish to thank the IRTS, especially Pat EI2HX and Ger EI4GXB, who attended and gave us a lovely pile of QSL cards to sort. Morse tests were held on the day and many are awaiting their official results.

A big thank you also to our new hosts, the Commons Inn in Blackpool who kindly allowed us the use of their facilities. We are pleased to

announce that our rally will take place at this venue again next year as the location was a huge success and was a perfect venue for all involved.

A final thanks is to be given to all our members who assisted in the planning and execution of the event, especially Edwin EI2HEB for his many phone calls and emails, and we look forward to doing it again.

Our next activation to take place at Cork City Gaol in October.

Achill Henge CASHOTA Activation

The Galway VHF Group will be activating Achill Henge on Sunday the 16th of September from 11 am - 3 pm and active on 80, 40 and 20 metres. Achill Henge is a "stone henge" like structure that was built on a hilltop on Achill Island near the village of Keel. The Henge was built in record time over the weekend of 26th and 27th of November 2011. Achill Henge is located in WAI Square F60 Co. Mayo &#65533;nd has the CASHOTA Designator EI-02-M. The Callsign for this operation will be EI4ALE/P. Check out EI4ALE on QRZ.com for more details.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held on Sept 19th, October 3rd, October 17th, October 31st. All are welcome to enrol and this will be a fun learning experience. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

DX News

The well-known DXer JA1PBV will operate as VK9XS from Christmas Island from 16 - 20 September. This will be followed by an operation from Cocos Keeling Island as VK9CS. QSLs for both stations go via the home call.

A multi-national team will put Conway Reef in the South Pacific Ocean on the air from 24 September until 5 October. The callsign will be 3D2C and QSL manager is YT1AD.

Jim K7QI is expected to be QRV from South Sudan in the coming weeks. He will use the callsign Z8AAA. This will be the first activity since the ST0R DXpedition in July/August last year when South Sudan became an independent country. Expect major pile-ups.

A group of 6 Belgian operators will be in Liechtenstein from 18 - 23 September. Look out for them signing HB0/home calls. They plan to be on all bands 10 - 80m using SSB and CW.

Fists CW Club

On the Facebook Page of the FISTS CW CLUB, you can access a recording made by Finbar O'Connor , Radio Officer, at the closing down of Malin Head Radio Station in County Donegal. At that time 5 Compact Discs were recorded and these have now been converted to MP3 files and the link is available for all to listen to by clicking on the FACEBOOK PAGE of the FISTS CW CLUB.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1775. eHam.net News for Sunday 16 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-16 22:05:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404f9f87daa04c9d8dbf4@google.com>
Source record: 2042
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Upcoming Oceania DX Contest:

Posted: 15 Sep 2012 05:31 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28987

The Oceania Dx Contest takes place over the first two full weekends of October and one category seems to get overlooked - that is the clubs category sponsored by the VK Contest Club - The VK Contest Club (VKCC) is a group of keen contesters who are bound together by a love of contesting and a Yahoo Group - the club is free to join.

1776. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 16 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 01:54:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340857fdab0b04c9d5e147@google.com>
Source record: 2043
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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HF/VHF/UHF Multicoupler released

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 02:38 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1899:hfvhfuhf-multicoupler-released&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Cross Country Wireless now have the first production models of their
HF/VHF/UHF Multicoupler available for sale.

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Motorbike radio mobile in India

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 02:36 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1898:motorbike-radio-mobile-in-india&catid=45:online-videos&Itemid=100009

Amateur Radio operator Sandeer Baruah, VU2MUE successfully operated during
India's 65th Independence celebrations.

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USA Amateur Radio Exam video

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 02:33 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1897:usa-amateur-radio-exam-video&catid=45:online-videos&Itemid=100009

This hour-long video illustrates the intensive memorizing exam technique
used by some in the USA

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How a Crystal Radio works

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 02:27 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1896:how-a-crystal-radio-works&catid=45:online-videos&Itemid=100009

An online video gives full details of how an amateur / ham crystal radio
works, right down to the electron level

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ISS packet radio active again on 145.825 MHz

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 02:24 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1895:iss-packet-radio-active-again-on-145825-mhz&catid=45:online-videos&Itemid=100009

The VHF packet system on the ISS, turned off in June because the air purifier for the Automated Transfer Vehicle (ATV) needed to be plugged in, is back on-the-air

1777. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 16 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 02:43:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303f628404e60104c9dcbce9@google.com>
Source record: 2044
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio license courses starting soon - Bothell/Kenmore Reporter

Posted: 13 Sep 2012 12:56 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEWdMoNyNmoOQVWw9-p5dgiTi7kYg&url=http://www.bothell-reporter.com/lifestyle/169669776.html

Amateur radio license courses starting soon
Bothell/Kenmore Reporter
The beginner level amateur band radio license is required for entry into the fascinating hobby of "ham" radio, allowing the licensee to get on the air and communicate with a region-wide network of ham radio operators for fun, providing communications ...

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Amateur radio club offers free ham radio classes - The Chronicle

Posted: 10 Sep 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEreL2fR4KrxaU98rF5kLiMI67-6w&url=http://chroniclenewspaper.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID%3D/20120910/ENTERTAINMENT/120919998/Amateur-radio-club-offers-free-ham-radio-classes-

The Chronicle
Amateur radio club offers free ham radio classes
The Chronicle
GOSHEN — The Orange County Amateur Radio Club will be offering instructional classes starting Sept. 29, 2012, to enable citizens of any age to obtain their first ham radio license. This entry-level license, authorized by the FCC, is called the ...

and more

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Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day - Press-Register - al.com (blog)

Posted: 03 Sep 2012 06:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFEhzAmAIBj7C7ybzcZIZNE-eoVMA&url=http://blog.al.com/pr-community-news/2012/09/ham_radio_club_alumni_reunite.html

Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day
Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Eight of the clubs 18 amateur radio operators (“hams”) gathered to test

their emergency communication readiness at an outlying area not normally used for a ham radio station, where they set up portable equipment powered by generators, batteries and ...

1778. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 17 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 11:05:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba2124f58bfaab04c9e3bec0@google.com>
Source record: 2045
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Heading for ZD9UW - last chance for a direct QSL card posted from Tristan
da Cunha

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QRxsPoaxI50/tristan_da_cunha.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Towards the end of September, Rob M0VFC and Martin G3ZAY will be QRV as
ZD9UW on Tristan da Cunha. In order to raise money for the Tristan
Educational Trust Fund, they are offering to post up to 100 special QSL
cards direct from the island in return for a $25 donation to the Trust Fund

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3D2C DXpedition to Conway Reef

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6bb0Vu3GHfc/3d2c_dxpedition_to_conway_r
eef.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is with great excitement that we announce that our preparations for a
large multi-national DXpedition to Conway Reef are going according to plan

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Amateur Radio at the Liverpool Marathon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m0A5sL6O4Mk/amateur_radio_at_the_liverp
ool_marathon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB1LM is the special event call sign for the Liverpool Marathon. It will be
active on the HF bands between the 17th of September and 14th of October
2012

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National POW-MIA Recognition Day

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DOIU7RHn6GU/national_pow_mia_recognitio
n_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mark, KM6HB, for the 8th straight year, will operate as special event
station, K6P, between September 21-23rd

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EANET Sprint Contest 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AZ8HmeyZEfs/eanet_sprint_contest_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It's here again - the 'Sprint Contest' version of the same name Award,
devoted to the 'Radio Clubs of the World'

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bliLq2IzpEE/dxcc_report_1709.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
9th-September, through Sunday, 16th-September there were 219 countries
active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/F6Czw9hzt14/september_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Swains Island is now QRT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/c9M4a0g7n3M/swains_island_is_now_qrt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The NH8S team on Swains Island is now QRT and in the process of tearing
down their camp for a possible early departure

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FTAtcZq1rfg/history_17_september.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1779. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 16th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 12:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120917120006.774F333C99@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2046
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 16th September 2012

The news headlines:

Final hours of the Contest General Rules Proposals

Request for proposals to fund a radio propagation-related project

RSGB Convention draft lecture programme revealed

The consultation on Contest General Rules proposals is in its final hours, closing at 2359 BST today, 16 September. It is open to all RSGB members. Full details appear at www.rsgb.org/pages/?id=contest-general-rules-proposals.

The RSGB's Propagation Studies Committee is inviting proposals to fund a radio propagation-related project, up to a maximum of £1,000. The PSC was recently bequeathed £1,000 by the late Charlie Newton, G2FKZ, who died earlier this year. Charlie was an active member of PSC and also helped educate other amateurs about propagation matters through talks and lectures. He was also the author of the book Radio Auroras, which is viewed as a definitive guide to this type of propagation. His bequest was made to help fund propagation-related research and the PSC is looking to hear from any person or group who might have a detailed proposal for how the money could be used. Full written proposals, including details, costings and likely timescales, should be submitted to PSC chairman Steve Nichols, G0KYA by email to steve@infotechcomms.co.uk by 31 December 2012.

The draft lecture programme for the RSGB Convention on 12 to 14 October has been released. It is available online at www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention and also appears in the October edition of RadCom. The Partners Programme for the RSGB Convention has a day trip planned for Saturday 13 October. This will include a visit to Oxford, including one of the colleges where participants will have the chance to experience matriculation day, seeing freshers dressed in their black gowns. Other highlights will be the Sheldonian theatre and Bodleian library area, finishing with some retail therapy at the Covered Market. Tickets for all aspects of the RSGB Convention on 12 to 14 October are still available, including weekend packages. Details are online at www.rsgbevents.org.

Members of Sands Contest Group will be activating the Isle of Man, IOTA reference EU-116, from 23 to 29 September. The group will use the club

call MT0SCG and will be active on most HF bands using SSB and datamodes. The base location is next to a small beach, close to the town of Ramsey at the NE end of the island, locator IO74UH. The group is likely to activate at least one SOTA summit during the week, probably on 2m FM.

This year's D-Star QSO Party runs from 0000UTC on Friday 21 September to 2359UTC on Sunday 23rd. The goal of the D-Star QSO Party is to communicate through as many D-STAR repeaters as possible throughout the world. All operators who submit an approved log will be eligible for the prize draw with winners randomly selected for each prize. For more information on this year's event go to www.icom.co.jp/world/d-starparty2012/.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 16 September, the Torbay Annual Communications Fair will be held at Newton Abbot Racecourse, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 3AF. There will be trade stands and Bring & Buy as well as an RSGB bookstall. Doors open from 10am and admission is £2. Details from Mike Dixon on 01803 557 941.

Next weekend, on Saturday 22 September, the Fog on the Tyne Rally will be held in Whitehall Road Methodist Church Hall, Bensham, Gateshead NE8 4LH, organised by Angel of the North ARC & South Tyneside ARS. Entry is £1.50 and

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The Great Northern Hamfest takes place at the Barnsley Metrodome, Queens Road, Barnsley on Sunday 23 September. The post code for those with a satnav is S71 1AN. Follow the large brown Metrodome signs from the A roads into town. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and clubs, disabled facilities, family attractions, prize draw, free parking and extensive catering facilities including a licensed bar and restaurant. Doors open at 11am. For more information contact Ernie G4LUE on 01226 716 339.

Now for the news of special events

GB5IFC will be on the air until 17 September to celebrate the 51st International Federation of Railway Radio Amateurs Congress at Sheffield.

To celebrate the 39th Ryder Cup, GB39RC will be operational from Verulam Golf Club in St Albans until 30 September. Operation will be on 10, 15, 20 and 40m using mostly CW and RTTY. Full details of the QSL route is given on QRZ.com.

South Lancs Amateur Radio Club will be on the air from the site that was Bickershaw & Abram Station that closed 48 years ago, using the callsign GB1BAS. On the air from 0000UTC on 22 September until 1400 on 23 September, they plan to use the 80, 40, 20, 10, 2m and 70cm bands.

Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society will be operating special event station GB0NVR at the Nene Valley Railway, Wansford, near Peterborough on 22 and 23 September for Railways on the Air. This will coincide with NVR's Steam Gala when both the 50163 Tornado and 71000 Duke of Gloucester locomotives are scheduled to appear.

On Sunday 23 September, GB50WVR will be taking part in Railways on the Air weekend from the Keighley & Worth Valley Railway in West Yorkshire. Direct QSLs should go to s via Pam, 2E1HQY who is QTHR. More information can be found on QRZ.com.

Preston Amateur Radio Society will be activating GB0LMR for Railways on the Air. Starting on the evening of Friday 21 September and running through to Sunday 23rd, the station will be located at the miniature railway on Worden Park, Leyland. The highlight of Sunday will be when RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW visits to meet the Mayor, and have a ride on one of the trains with Alex Sorley, M6CDA. At 10 years old, Alex is the youngest licensed member of the club. Due to bad weather earlier in the year, the Leyland Festival had to be postponed and it is now on at Worden Park on these dates. If you require further information you can consult the website for Railways on the Air and also QRZ.com. There will be a talk-in station on 2m.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

DL3JH, is active as DL3JH/6Y5 from Jamaica until 22 September. His operation should be on all of the HF bands using CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign only.

Members of the Black Country DX & Contest Group will be on the air as MS0OXE from Tiree Island until 21 September. The station plans to use SSB, CW and RTTY on 10 to 80m using a HexBeam. QSL via M0URX either via the bureau, direct or Logbook of the World.

Robert, W3BTX and Roy, W3TEF, will be active from Aruba using P49T until 21 September. QSL via W3BTX either via the bureau or direct.

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The Worked All Britain 144MHz QRO Contest takes place today, Sunday 16 September, from 1000 to 1400UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Full details of the rules and also log sheets can be obtained from the WAB website, www.worked-all-britain.co.uk or from the contest manager, G3XKT, e-mail aebbooks@ntlworld.com.

The 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 18 September from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Sunday 23rd, the Practical Wireless 70MHz Contest runs from 1200 to 1600UTC. It has Low Power, that's 10 watts in this contest, and Open sections. Scoring is 1 point per contact, multiplied by the number of Locator squares worked. Using all modes on the 4m band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. As this is the 80th anniversary year of Practical Wireless, expect a good turnout.

The BARTG Sprint 75 takes place on the same day. Available sections are Single Operator Expert and Single Operator All Band. Running from 1700 to 2100 and using bands from 3.5 to 28MHz, the exchange is the serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 7th to Thursday the 13th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 14th of September

Six sunspot groups were visible on the 7th but this was down to three by the 13th. Solar activity increased to moderate levels on the 8th and 9th when a single M1 class solar flare took place on both days. Solar activity was low on the remaining days with occasional small C class solar flares taking place. Solar flux levels declined from 133 units on the 7th to 99 by the 13th. The average was 115 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 13th was 123, that's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from B7.1 units on the 8th to B3.1 by the 13th. The average was B4.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The most disturbed day was the 8th, with an Ap index of 10 units. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 440 kilometres per second on the 8th to a slow 260 kilometres per second on the 11th and the 12th. Speeds then increased on the 13th to 450 kilometres per second, which are the first signs of an expected coronal hole disturbance arriving. Particle densities were low except for a rise to 25 particles per cubic centimetre on the 12th. Bz varied between minus 7 and plus 11 nanoTeslas on the 12th and between minus 3 and plus 2 nanoTeslas on the quietest days. Though well past the summer seasonal peak, occasional Es events took place on both 50 and 70MHz.

And finally the solar forecast from Sunday the 16th of September. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be low, with only C class solar flares taking place and only a small chance of any larger flares. Solar flux levels should be just below the 100 mark today but from midweek levels should start to increase. Geomagnetic activity could be unsettled at first due to the after effects from a coronal hole disturbance that is just coming to an end and then be mostly quiet for the remainder of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 10MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 30MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is operating the GB0FRS special event station and attending the Fire Station open day today, Sunday 16th. On Wednesday there is a VHF Contest primer talk and presentation by G8NWC & G1ZJP from SDARS. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. Tuesday sees a talk on the 4W6A Timor Leste DXpedition by Tim, M0URX, and on Friday there's a social evening in the shack. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR from 7.30pm, and on Friday there is an HF club net on 3.748MHz. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday from 19.30 at the shack. On Wednesday there's a formal meeting at the BSA Club at 20.15. The Thursday club net on 145.375MHz from 2000 and there's the Saturday surgery in the shack from 09.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting on Monday. On Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Central Radio Amateur Circle commences its Intermediate course on Thursday via Skype with MX0PPC. On the same day there is a meeting at the Turf Tavern, Wolverhampton Road, Bloxwich, WS3 2EZ. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a round robin Q & A session. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is considering technical topics. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on software defined radio by Steve, G8EBM. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a general meeting and training class. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is considering that the club needs to buy, and invites members to put forward their ideas. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 17 September 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is having a talk on measuring SSB linearity & power by Robert, G4VCL. Details from Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Friday Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club has a committee meeting. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

On Sunday 23 September Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is making preparations for the rally on Monday. On Tuesday there's amateur radio training with Girls Brigade. On Saturday 22 September it's the Fog on the Tyne Rally, and the 22nd Great Northern Rally on Sunday. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk by Elaine, 2E1BVS on a chance encounter that led to the Shetland Isles. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is looking back on the year's contest efforts. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is holding a surplus sale. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a HF & 70cm night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having a club night. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Goole Radio and Electronics Society is having a contest planning evening. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a surplus equipment sale. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a night on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a debrief session for Ayr Flower Show and ILLW weekend. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Thursday Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Ellis Gaston, GM0HPK, on 07979 692 580.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. East Kent Radio Society is having a talk on portable aerials on Monday by Karl, M1DFM. Sunday 23rd sees the Stelling Minnis meeting and picnic. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz on Monday. On Wednesday there is a CW net on 3.570MHz from 8pm, to which all are welcome. Friday sees a 2m net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on digital amateur TV on Tuesday by Justin, G8YTZ. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089. The Foundation class continues on Saturday. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz on Wednesday and invites everyone to bring their own question along for the list. On Saturday 22 September there's a joint Railways on the Air weekend event with the Bittern DX Group at North Norfolk Railways stations. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Burnham Beeches Radio Club is holding an open evening to celebrate its 75th anniversary. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding a natter and fix-it night. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and demo on the Slim Jim by G4KGP. Contact Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Tuesday Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a talk and demo by Middlesex University Robotics Department, who recently scored top marks at international drone competition. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday Banbury Amateur Radio Society is looking at fault-finding techniques for use in amateur radio equipment. Contact John, G8OZH, on 07774 525 818.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing a technical topic. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio mesh by Howard, G8DXV. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual construction contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a talk by G8JAD on a coil-less VFO. Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday Cray Valley Radio Society is having a talk on one man DXpeditions by Nobby, G0VJG. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on fuses by Hugh Rooms, M1ETU. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 17 September 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on WiNRADiO by Richard Hillier, the General Manager of Radixon. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on the MKARS HF SDR receiver kit by Steve Drury, G6ALU, of Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and demo by John Narborough on Victorian and Edwardian electro-medical machines. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Saturday Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is taking part in Railways on the Air weekend from Nene Valley Railway. Details from David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Saturday Southgate Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend event operating GB0TLR for Railways on the Air. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its HF net on Monday on 3,675kHz at 19:45. The 2m net is on Tuesday and the 4m net is on Thursday. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a briefing for Railways on the Air on Thursday. Saturday sees the start of the Railways on the Air weekend event. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a back to basics talk on HF propagation by Terry, G4CHD. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Monday Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a homebrew project surgery. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on mountain rescue by MW6BKS. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is holding an open night. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the life story of a telly mender. Contact Frank Bailey, M1EYH, by email to

fcbailey20@btinternet.com.

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1780. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 10 - 16 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 15:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120917153001.887E633C93@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 2047
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Sep 17 1309 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
10 - 16 September 2012

Solar activity was at low levels during the first half of the of the
summary period, and ended the week at very low levels. Region 1569
(S12, L=296, class/area=Eac/210 on 14 September) was the largest and
most magnetically complex region of the period, yet only yielded
four C-class flares. The largest of these was a C3/Sf flare that
occurred at 11/0111Z. A filament eruption occurred near N22W20 at
approximately 13/0640Z. The associated CME had an estimated speed of
536 km/s, but had little to no impact on Earth. A Type II Radio
Sweep occurred at approximately 15/2259Z, had an estimated speed of
681 km/s, and was associated with a non-Earth directed CME near the
north west limb.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels on 10 and 12 September. Moderate levels were observed on
11 September and again from 13 - 16 September.

The geomagnetic field was at quiet levels throughout the period with
two isolated unsettled periods on 12 September and 15 September due
to extended periods of negative Bz. A solar sector boundary crossing
was also observed at approximately 16/1800Z.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
17 September - 13 October 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels with a
chance for moderate activity throughout the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at high levels on 18-20 and 24-27 September, then
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again from 07-09 October.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to unsettled with active conditions possible on 19-22 September, 03-05, 09-10, and 12-13 October. The active conditions are mainly associated with coronal hole high speed streams.

1781. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 17 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 16:18:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303dd5b2f111d904c9e81db4@google.com>
Source record: 2048
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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International Talk Like a Pirate Day, September 19th.

Posted: 17 Sep 2012 02:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361748-International-Talk-Like-a-Pirate-Day-September-19th&goto=newpost

Be 'ware me hearties of In'ernation'l taak loik a pyerat day on Wednesday. http://www.talklikeapirate.com/piratehome.html Parrticularrly ye may hear those ancient accents on AM (Ancient Mariner) frequencies. Who's gonna join in?

Keep yer Rogers Jolly.

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MY10Mg DXers Outing, Sept 22nd - 23rd

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 10:57 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361745-MY10Mg-DXers-Outing-Sept-22nd-23rd&goto=newpost

10m.jpg

Malaysian Amateur Radio League (MARL) will be organize a field day, 'MY10Mg DXers Outing' this September 22nd to 23rd at Empangan Sg.Pertak, Kuala Kubu Bharu, Selangor.

We will QRV on both CW and SSB on 10 meter, 15 meter, 20 meter and 40 meter.

Hope to hear you on the band from 9M2 Land. 73

Attached Images

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(116.9 KB)

1782. eHam.net News for Monday 17 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 22:06:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934126991657904c9ecfc6b@google.com>
Source record: 2049
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Massillon Amateur Radio Club Celebrates 85 Years On Air:

Posted: 16 Sep 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28989

The MASSILLON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, W8NP, celebrates its 85th anniversary and hosts a public demonstration and open house 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at Menard's, 3725 Erie St. S, Massillon. "We encourage anyone who has an interest in learning more about amateur radio as a hobby and emergency means of communication to stop in on Saturday," according to W8NP Secretary Robert Keller, in a news release. Visit www.w8np.org .

1783. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1079.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-17 22:10:20 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <51058.3429.qm@smtp112.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 2050
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1079.1
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DX Special Bulletin No. 1079.1
BID: $OPDX.1079.1
September 17, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, DX-World.Net, VA3RJ & ICPO and various sources for the following DX information.

REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO (On The Air!). A few different sources are reporting the following [edited]:

* Sept 17 - Z60K - Launch of Amateur Radio in Pristina, Kosovo. IARU Project.

Z60K now listed on Club Log with the following message:
Provisionally The Republic of Kosovo - pending news from ARRL. This DXCC is temporarily marked as a current DXCC entity in Club Log in order to allow the expedition log search features to function correctly. Approval for this operation will come from ARRL alone.

On September 17th, shortly after 1700z, international and local ops started operating as Z60K from near Pristina, Kosovo on both 20 and 17m SSB. Operators included Emil/9A9A, Bob/MD0CCE, Martti/OH2BH and Pekka/OH2TA. Local TV recorded the moment live on air. QSL via G3TXF.

An Amateur Radio working group headed by IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, and including IARU Region 1 Executive Committee Member Nikola Percin, 9A5W, and Mission Goodwill Kosovo Coordinator Martti Laine, OH2BH, together with their associates are in the final stages of assisting Kosovo's Telecom Authorities in drafting regulations governing Amateur Radio in Kosovo, to bring the original Kosovar operators and their re-vitalized Amateur Radio Association back to the international community.

Full details at: http://www.iaru-r1.org/

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1784. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 17 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-18 02:44:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340fef716ebb04c9f0dc92@google.com>
Source record: 1951
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Local Ham Radio Operators on Standby to Help Storm Victims - OzarksFirst.com

Posted: 29 Aug 2012 08:29 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHF8AN1hnPwjYonVt2PfQdEcl1YZQ&url=http://ozarksfirst.com/fulltext?nxd_id%3D695012

Local Ham Radio Operators on Standby to Help Storm Victims
OzarksFirst.com
said Rob Reid, Amateur Radio Operator. Reid is one of the 30,000 Amateur Radio Operators in Missouri that serves as a one-man-communication center. When the internet and smart phones fail, Ham Operators become the most reliable way to pass ...
Ham radio operators on stand by for Isaackjrh.com

all 2 news articles

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FCC releases Amateur Radio study - Radio & Television Business Report

Posted: 24 Aug 2012 01:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGAzDnm4i4FuUvLQGKPxwSFB-e5A&url=http://rbr.com/fcc-releases-amateur-radio-study/

FCC releases Amateur Radio study
Radio & Television Business Report
... and recommendations for enhancements in the voluntary deployment of Amateur/Ham Radio operators in disaster and emergency communications and disaster relief efforts; and recommendations for improved integration of Amateur Radio operators in the ...
Code communicators: Amateur radio club to assist Tour de La PorteThe Herald Argus
ARNewsline Report 1828 August 24 2012:eHam.net

all 3 news articles

1785. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 18 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-18 11:09:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3033462f3f3f2c04c9f7ecdf@google.com>
Source record: 1952
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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SOTAbeams opens new webstore

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-vTFu9cKpSc/sotabeams_opens_new_webstore.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over the weekend SOTAbeams opened a new webstore. This is the first stage in developing a new and extended range of products - all designed for the portable radio enthusiast. SOTAbeams is offering Southgate Amateur Radio News readers a special 10% discount until 25 September

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ARISS contact planned with school in Kolo, Poland - Downlink audible over Europe

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kLuhvZPF04o/ariss_event_1909.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This will be a direct contact with astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI. Downlink signals from the International Space Station will be audible over Europe on 145.800 MHz FM

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First Thames Amateur Radio Group Meeting

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Having completed a successful launch day at Phoenix FM, Brentwood Centre, Thames Amateur Radio Group (TARG) have announced monthly meetings

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Request for proposals to fund a radio propagation-related project

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/411eMWQ_Siw/request_for_proposals_to_fund_a_radio_propagation_related_project.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB's Propagation Studies Committee is inviting proposals to fund a radio propagation-related project, up to a maximum of £1,000

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RSGB Convention draft lecture programme revealed

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re_programme_revealed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The draft lecture programme for the RSGB Convention on 12 to 14 October has
been released

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Sunset Hills Elementary, San Diego, CA

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s5eu-vVaWyk/ariss_event_2009.htm?utm_so
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An International Space Station school contact has been planned with
participants at Sunset Hills Elementary, San Diego, CA on 20 Sept

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D-Star QSO Party

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This year’s D-Star QSO Party runs from 0000UTC on Friday 21 September to
2359UTC on Sunday 23rd

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Republic of Kosovo - On The Air!

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fG4GYU73Io4/republic_of_kosovo.htm?utm_
source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Z60K - Launch of Amateur Radio in Pristina, Kosovo

1786. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1079.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-18 12:59:44 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <683333.39433.qm@smtp101.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1953
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1079.2
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1079.2

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1079.2
BID: $OPDX.1079.2
September 18, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, and QRZ.com for the following DX information.

REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO (Update/On The Air!). The following was posted on QRZ.com [edited]:

Z60K Republic of Kosovo
Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo
SHRAK
Pristina
Republic of Kosovo
QSL: VIA G3TXF

Monday, September 10, 2012, marked the end of supervised independence of the Republic of Kosovo, a European country with a population of 2 million, and the beginning of its status as a fully sovereign state. The ceremonies featured a keynote address by a former UN Envoy for Kosovo, President Martti Ahtisaari of Finland, an architect of the March 26, 2007, Comprehensive Proposal for the Kosovo Status Settlement which now came to its completion.
In his speech at Monday's special session of the Kosovo Parliament, President Ahtisaari stated: "Five years ago I offered to the Secretary-General of the United Nations a blueprint for a sovereign, multi-ethnic democracy called Kosovo. Today we celebrate the full and final adoption of the principles and structures of that blueprint into the institutions, the processes, and the legal framework of an independent, functioning state."
Pursuant to the Settlement Proposal, an International Steering Group (ISG) - consisting of twenty-five countries - was formed to oversee and guide the development of good governance, multi-ethnicity and rule of law in Kosovo. The ISG has now completed its duties, allowing Kosovo to continue with full sovereignty and the management of its own affairs as a member of the world community.
This is now the overall state of affairs regarding Kosovo's formal

status, which enables the country to pursue its chosen course independently into the future. Kosovo is now an independent country, which must be honored as such.
As of today, a total of 91 countries, including most of the industrialized world, such as USA, Japan, Germany, the United Kingdom and France along with the Benelux and Nordic countries, have recognized the Republic of Kosovo. These powers have endorsed the final settlement, the fulfilment of which is now celebrated in Kosovo's capital Prishtina.
An Amateur Radio working group headed by IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, and including IARU Region 1 Executive Committee Member Nikola Percin, 9A5W, and Mission Goodwill Kosovo Coordinator Martti Laine, OH2BH, together with their associates are in the final stages of assisting Kosovo's Telecom Authorities in drafting regulations governing Amateur Radio in Kosovo, to bring the original Kosovar operators and their revitalized Amateur Radio Association back to the international community.

<http://www.voanews.com/content/supervised-independence-ends-in-kosovo/1505339.html>

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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1787. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 18 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-18 16:13:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51865fe6d4d6004c9fc2c20@google.com>
Source record: 1954
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Kosovo at last recognized by IARU and on the air!

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 01:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361867-Kosovo-at-last-recognized-by-IARU-and-on-the-air!&goto=newpost

Last night a "new" country came on the air: the Republic of Kosovo with a number of wellknown operators under the callsign Z60K.

This has been a long-drawn business. Kosovo declared its independence in February 2008 but has been under international protectorate,

which has now been lifted (most of it anyway). This made it possible for the IARU and its DXCC Committee to recognize the Republic of Kosovo

as a separate country and a valid DXCC entity.

Z60K has been heard on several bands and modes, so far.

This is good news, to most of us. But some people who listen to the nationalists in their country are not satisfied. From Serbia and countries allied

with YU like Russia and Ukraine, there is talk of "pirate operation." This is nothing but mixing politics into ham radio, forgetting that facts are facts:

IARU recognition, an independent state, recognized by about 90 nations so far. The problem is that the territory of Kosovo is disputed by Serbs and Albanians.

In addition to the facts mentioned above, I personally feel that the will of 90% of the population, not to return to Serbian rule under any circumstances, is a stronger argument than old Serbian monasteries and churches in Kosovo, making Serb nationalists entangle in myths which are truly unrealistic. Reconciliation is necessary in the Balkans, but it is necessary to see facts instead of myths of history.

No need to say more. Hope those who do not recognize the existence of the Republic of Kosovo could realize that they are just as childish as if a man whose wife, who was married to him by force, cannot accept that she has taken divorce and lives on her own. This is lack of maturity! A wife in this case has got her own will, the people of Kosovo as well, whatever they

think in Belgrade - and Moscow!

Ullmar, SM5-1252

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Plimouth Plantation 24Nov2012- 25Nov2012

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 12:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361864-Plimouth-Plantation-24Nov2012-25Nov2012&goto=newpost

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IRLP & EchoLink Made Easy

Posted: 17 Sep 2012 10:48 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361788-IRLP-amp-EchoLink-Made-Easy&goto=newpost

Feeling a little intimidated about using IRLP? Having trouble getting
EchoLink to work on your home PC? Interested to learn about all the cool
nets and discussion topics available through both of these applications?
If so, then don☐t miss the IRLP & EchoLink Made Easy tutorial on the
VA3XPR repeater on Thursday September 20th @ 7:00pm ET. This interactive
tutorial, which is part of the VA3XPR ☐Over The Air Learning☐ series, will
teach participants all about IRLP and EchoLink operation, whether using an
HT, PC or smartphone and is intended to help amateur radio operators make
the most of this great hobby. This tutorial will be delivered using both
the VA3XPR repeater and the VA3XPR.net website.

For more information, go VA3XPR website at:
http://www.va3xpr.net/irlp-echolink-made-easy/

Cheers!

Don

VA3XFT

1788. eHam.net News for Tuesday 18 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-18 22:09:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51f994df7f0ef04ca012538@google.com>
Source record: 1955
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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BDARA Members Gather To Celebrate Hari Raya:

Posted: 17 Sep 2012 05:33 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28990

Bandar Seri Begawan - Members of Brunei Darussalam Amateur Radio Association (BDARA) are urged to enhance cooperation in carrying out works that have been planned as BDARA is among one of the active associations in the country. This was highlighted by President of BDARA, Pengiran Haji Salleh Ab Rahaman bin Pengiran Haji Damit (V85DX) at the Hari Raya Aidilfitri celebration held recently at the Centrepoint Hotel in Gadong. The President of BDARA also expressed his appreciation and thanks to the members of BDARA that had contributed in implementing support and welfare activities this year for the progress of the association and the country Meanwhile, Major (Rtd) Haji Tamat bin Haji Lampoh (V85TL), the association's Secretary General, in his speech said the activity is the association's annual event which aims to celebrate Hari Raya and at the same time to enhance closer relationship among the members of BDARA and their families.

1789. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 18 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 02:16:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9b5338e37d04ca049807@google.com>
Source record: 1956
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Commission hears report from county ham operator - The Daily Statesman

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 12:15 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEDlfmgFe5Zp0Rctpxra778GCj82w&url=http://www.dailystatesman.com/story/1895146.html

Commission hears report from county ham operator
The Daily Statesman
Jim Harris, ham radio operator and manager of the county Ham Radio Association, expressed his gratitude to the Stoddard County Commission and updated them on progress the group is making in organizing communication in the event of a disaster.

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Find Out What's In Store at the 2012 ARRL National Convention - ARRL

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 10:40 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEziqq441aovMghHFl_I-1zVS9TUA&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/find-out-what-s-in-store-at-the-2012-arrl-national-convention

Find Out Whats In Store at the 2012 ARRL National Convention
ARRL
Hosted by Pacificon and sponsored by members of the Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club, this three-day event is sure to be jam-packed with excitement, exhibits and, of course, the ever-popular ARRL EXPO. Use this handy guide to find ARRL-sponsored ...

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First Thames Amateur Radio Group Meeting - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 01:09 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGzhgsDQMwI-WcDydc59vfymLI1MQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/first_thames_amateur_radio_group_meeting.htm

First Thames Amateur Radio Group Meeting
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Couple this with follow-up training, covering correct operating procedure, radio programming, supervised hands-on operation and antenna installation TARG feels that it has a winning formula. Meetings will be held at: Jubilee Hall Waterside Farm Sports ...

1790. iPhone App To Help You Learn Chinese (Mandarin) Faster By Using Flashcards With Pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 05:12:17 UTC
From: le8rek7yj0@gmail.com
Message-ID: <d5a5d671-d1b4-4d03-aa94-a4a765ca090c@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1957

http://goo.gl/lCAUy - "Chinese Flashcards with Pictures" is an iPhone app that will help you learn Chinese (Mandarin) faster by using flashcards with pictures (learn over 300 most commonly used words in the English / Chinese language from A to Z), thanks.

1791. The ARES E-Letter for September 19, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 05:35:15 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120919042618.92F6527AE0@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1958
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The ARES E-Letter

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September 19, 2012

Editor: Rick Palm, K1CE <k1ce@arrl.net>

==> HURRICANE ISAAC PROMPTS DISASTER RESPONSE

Seven years to the day that Hurricane Katrina smashed into New Orleans,
Hurricane Isaac came calling. But instead of making landfall right at
New Orleans like Katrina (a Category 3 storm) did on August 28, 2005,
Isaac veered slightly to the west of the city. Through it all, hams at
WX4NHC <http://www.wx4nhc.org/> -- the Amateur Radio station at the
National Hurricane Center (NHC <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>) in Miami,
Florida -- and those supporting the Hurricane Watch Net (HWN
<http://www.hwn.org/>) and the VoIP Hurricane Net
<http://www.voipwx.net/>, along with various nets within the ARRL's
Delta Division, relayed reports to their served agencies on Isaac's
progress and the damage the storm created in its wake. More here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/hams-heed-the-call-to-help-as-isaac-makes-landfall-downgraded-to
-tropical-storm>.
-- ARRL HQ

The VoIP Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> running on the
*WX_TALK* EchoLink conference node 7203/IRLP 9219 was active over a two
day period from Tuesday, August 28, through Wednesday, August 29, as
Hurricane Isaac pounded the US Northern Gulf Coast with high winds,
extremely heavy rainfall, significant storm surge and river and stream
flooding. The VoIP Hurricane Net operated for more than 25 hours
continuously during the US coast landfall. More here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/voip-hurricane-net-provides-support-during-hurricane-isaac>.
-- ARRL HQ
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ARES® EC's, DEC's, and SEC's: Don't forget to report activity related to Hurricane Isaac. -- Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL HQ Emergency Preparedness Manager

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Mississippi Responds

[The following report came from ARRL Mississippi Section Manager
Malcolm Keown, W5XX]. Mississippi has managed to escape the hurricane
bullet for three years in a row, but our luck ran out this year. Isaac
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came ashore on August 28 leaving substantial damage to the power grids in south Mississippi and southeast Louisiana as well as long term flooding. The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) reports that the most damage was experienced in Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, and Pearl River counties with 44 more counties north of the Coast being impacted.

The ARES/RACES response was well organized with station KM5EMA on from MEMA, the Delta ARES Emergency Net handling tactical traffic, and the Mississippi Emergency Net handling health/welfare traffic. Thanks to Jim Rapp, WS7EOC, Richard Webb, NF5B, and Douglass Sullivan-Gonzalez, K5DSG, respectively, for managing these operations. In addition, James Ready, N5LRQ activated the two-meter link from Jackson to the Coast, and several SKYWARN nets were activated. Operation from county EOCs was reported from Forrest, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Hinds, Jackson, Lauderdale, Pearl River, Stone, and Warren counties. Others may have been activated but have not been reported as of this writing.

NF5B reported that the Delta Emergency Net operated continuously for 46 hours. Many thanks go to net control stations who manned one or more two hour shifts. Net Manager K5DSG reported that the Mississippi Emergency Net operated for 30 hours.

A widespread communications emergency did not develop and there was not much resulting traffic; however, this was an excellent opportunity to test our readiness for catastrophic events in that we had not had an exercise of this magnitude since 2008. Many thanks the DEC's, EC's, AEC's, and ARES members who activated stations as part of the ARES response to Isaac.

William Musa, K5YG, advised from the Ocean Springs EOC that the Ocean Springs Command Center asked that an emergency message be passed to authorities in Louisiana regarding two adults and one child that were trapped in an attic as a result of attempting to escape flood waters. This message was passed on the Delta Emergency Net to the Louisiana State EOC. Later in the day word was received that the three people had been rescued along with 15 others rescued as a result of the message originating from the Ocean Springs EOC.

>From the September 2012 issue of the MCARA Splatter, Harry Samuelson, KB9ZR, reported that the Harrison County EOC was activated on August 28. In response, Harrison County EC Jeff Smith, N9OKV, activated ARES to man the EOC station W5SGL. The ARES team was divided into three shifts to ensure 24 hour coverage. W5SGL operators monitored the HF Nets as well as the local Emergency Net on the Biloxi 146.73 MHz repeater. Many area hams checked into this net and monitored, ready to respond. These hams provided the EOC team with information as to conditions in their respective areas. W5SGL was secured on August 30, 2012.

There were over 106 check-ins on two-meters, one emergency message was sent, 136 routine RMS messages sent, and numerous bulletins passed

during the activation period. The EOC team used RMS Express for the first time, passing information to MEMA in Jackson, the SHARES Coordinator at DHS in Washington, DC, and ARRL Mississippi Section Manager W5XX via the Internet, VHF, and HF channels. Much was learned about EOC operations/procedures by everyone. EC N9OKV was very pleased with the ARES activation and thanked his team for their support.

In Hancock County, the EOC was manned by Thom Kelly, KF7SEB, and Jeff Urbaniak, KF5JTK, the entire time of the event lasting approximately 50 hours. The traffic passed was minimal, mostly local reports of roads flooded. The Hancock County EOC was not located in a permanent location using a building that could be penetrated by RF and the team was unable to find an available opening to run coax for an outside antenna and was forced to use Echolink during the first 36 hours of the operation. After the Internet went down, KF7SEB resumed operations from his vehicle until the MEMA link to Jackson was lost. KF7SEB noted that the activation went as well as could be expected considering the activation was on very short notice and trying to operate from a non-radio friendly structure. He looks forward to working on a solution for future events including plans to have a cross band repeater or a full mobile repeater.

>From Forrest County, EC Sam Williams, N5SP, reported that he and Lex Mason, KD5XG, DEC Larry Morgan, AG5Z, and Roderick Balam, KF5BLR, went to the EOC prior to the arrival of Isaac to inspect and determine the operational status of the Amateur Radio equipment. It was determined that additional equipment was needed to interface the HF radio to the amplifier. A phone call was made to MFJ and with their assistance an order was placed. Upon arrival, the equipment was installed, which solved the problems. The EOC activated at 1700 on August 28, with Emergency Management District Forrest County ARC station KC5WFM being activated at the same time. The emergency nets were monitored and checked into numerous times.

Jasper County EC Albert McDonald, WV1Q, reported that the South Central SKYWARN net and Jasper County ARES Emergency Net were activated due to Isaac affecting the region. Jasper County had power outages countywide and low land flooding in several areas. In addition, there was flooding on Highway 528 in Heidelberg with many roadway blockages from falling trees and heavy rains. And from Central Mississippi SKYWARN, Linda Goodman, KE5PYM, reported that WX5JAN was on the air for 60 hours from the Jackson National Weather Service office.

See also the Section Web Site at www.arrlmiss.org <http://www.arrlmiss.org/>. - W5XX

ARRL Delta Division Director Issued Commendation

As expected, Hurricane Isaac made landfall in the early morning of August 28 in Louisiana, south of New Orleans as a Category One storm. The Greater New Orleans area and adjacent parishes along with the Mississippi Gulf Coast counties continued to be buffeted by winds and

torrential rainfall, causing power outages and flooding. ARES/RACES members were on the Delta Emergency Net and from local and State EOC's and shelters in the affected region. I wish to commend all our Delta Division amateurs involved in these operations for their professionalism and their on the air demeanor.

As Isaac moved north through Louisiana and into Arkansas we expected heavy rains, high winds and tornadoes. EOC's were activated in front of the storm through Friday. Power outages posed a potentially big problem in drought stricken areas of Arkansas since the trees were already stressed and the high winds would cause a greater number of trees or larger limbs to fall on power lines.

The ARRL Delta Division MOU is still in effect and net control operators were called to fill shifts into the weekend, depending on the extent and duration of the localities' storm event effects. Section leadership coordinated this effort: Section Managers, Section Emergency Coordinators and local Emergency Coordinators kept ARES members and RACES operators up to date as to ARES and net requirements. ARES members were called upon to work through the chain of command during this incident. -- ARRL Delta Division Director David A. Norris, K5UZ, k5uz@arrl.org

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==> WISCONSIN ARES/RACES' BUSY SUMMER

Two Wisconsin ARES/RACES teams in opposite corners of the state had major incidents to deal with this past summer. Milwaukee County ARES/RACES stood up three times, deploying their communications van for the tragic shooting incident in Oak Creek on Sunday, August 5, 2012. And in another corner of the state, the Douglas County ARES/RACES team assisted with communications for their neighbors in Duluth and surrounding counties in Minnesota and northern Wisconsin during the severe flooding in the June 17 to 20 period.

The Milwaukee County ARES/RACES <http://www.milwares.org/> communications van staged once and deployed twice in support of public

safety agencies for the tragic shooting incident in Oak Creek that sad Sunday. The team owns and operates the van with equipment that is able to link different public safety radio networks together by employing a Raytheon ACU-1000 <http://www.arrl.org/intranet/nledit/fckeditor/editor/dialog/ACU%201000> network cross-connecting device. This force multiplier allows police, fire, and other emergency services with radio systems using different technologies to communicate with each other. That Sunday, the team was alerted on MABAS <http://www.mabaswisconsin.org/> (Mutual Aid Box Alarm System) with instructions to stage the van, ready to deploy, at the Greenfield Fire Department. Even though most ARES members from Milwaukee and Waukesha County were in Whitewater providing communications support for the MS150 Bike Ride, the team was able to respond with two hams -- James Langer, WI9FF, and David Lofy, KC9TGE -- who were able to get to the van, and get it prepped and ready to roll in just 30 minutes from the time of the initial request from Emergency Management.

On Tuesday, August 7, Milwaukee ARES/RACES received a call from Emergency Management requesting the van roll to Oak Creek to assist with communications support for the community's National Night Out and Prayer Vigil being held for the victims of Sunday's shootings. The mission again was to patch radios together for public safety agencies

coming in from Madison, Dane, Racine and other surrounding counties. WI9FF and Phillip Rebensburg, KC9CI, staffed the van and reported to the Oak Creek Police station. High profile officials were coming to attend the Prayer Vigil, including the Governor, a U.S. Senator and Representative to Congress. Brian Jansen, KC9GMW, a Milwaukee County AEC, and lead COML for the State, assisted in setting up a communications plan and the ARES van remained on standby at the Oak Creek Police Station through the entire event.

A memorial event was held on Friday, August 10, and again ARES/RACES was involved with van and communications support. The Milwaukee group's van provides tremendous service for multiple public safety agencies and recognition of that fact came by the calls made during this tragedy of violence.

Superior/Duluth Flooding

In June, Superior, Wisconsin and Duluth, Minnesota roads and bridges were washed out, and five feet of standing water was left in low-lying areas. Water rescues were effected, entire neighborhoods were evacuated, highways were cut off, and Internet and cell service was gone on the North Shore of Minnesota. Members of the Douglas County ARES/RACES <http://www.douglascountywi.org/index.aspx?NID=196> team went to work. Douglas Nelson, AA0AW, and Garry Hooghkirk, KD0DHB, organized an effort to staff the Douglas County EOC, provided mutual aid across the border to the St. Louis County EOC and the National Weather Service's Duluth office. It took many hours to get the Lake County, Minnesota EOC open, due to road closures. This team worked with

many local radio amateurs to collect information on road closures and damage reports from throughout the area. They also provided the only link to the outside world for Lake and Cook counties in Minnesota, established contacts with Life Flight services for the Grand Marais Hospital, handled traffic for doctor exchanges on the North Shore and provided support for Emergency Management in the region. Upon receiving the news of service restoration for the North Shore, the crews at the EOCs stood down. Many of the members of the Douglas County, Wisconsin ARES/RACES team live right across the border in and around Duluth. The cooperation across state lines is tremendous on both sides of the border.

Here <http://www.wi-aresraces.org/counties/douglas-2.htm> is a link that shows the infrastructure damage to the Duluth/Superior area including a major fiber optic cable conduit break affecting communications. Many thanks for the fine efforts of these dedicated Wisconsin ARES/RACES teams from two opposite corners of the state. - Skip Sharpe, W9REL, Chief Radio Officer, RACES, State of Wisconsin; Paul Gruettner, WB9ODQ, Emergency Coordinator, Milwaukee County ARES/RACES; Dave Miller, W0NWO, Emergency Coordinator, Douglas County ARES/RACES; Gary Sorensen, W9ULK, Section Emergency Coordinator, Wisconsin ARES/RACES <http://www.wi-aresraces.org/index.html>

==> READING LIST: WHEN GPS LEADS TO SOS

This New York Times article doesn't mention ham radio as such, but it presents a scenario we may face in the future: When GPS Leads to SOS <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/08/14/opinion/when-gps-leads-to-s-o-s.html?hpw>. -- Mike Harla, N2MHO, EC, Cumberland County, New Jersey

Here's another NY Times article that will lend some perspective on spectrum needs versus technology advancement and efficiency as applied to the cellular, broadband services, but is applicable to all radio spectrum use. I learned a lot from this piece: Carriers Warn of Crisis in Mobile Spectrum <http://nyti.ms/HFFXfN> - As data usage multiplies on mobile devices, carriers say they need more spectrum, but scientists and engineers say newer technologies can improve efficiency. - K1CE

Another recommendation for your reading pleasure and/or induction of cognitive dissonance: Space Weather: What Emergency Managers Need to Know <http://www.emergencymgmt.com/disaster/Space-Weather-Emergency-Managers-2012.html> by Elaine Pittman on March 26, 2012, in Emergency Management newsletter. -- K1CE

==> LETTERS: INTERNET-BASED SYSTEMS' FALLIBILITY

As a regular reader of the ARES E-Letter, I've watched the newsletter consistently espouse the use of D-STAR for disaster response and emergency communications services. One of the ARRL's catchy slogans, which is really more than just a slogan as it rings true is: "When all else fails, Amateur Radio."

Here in the mid-peninsula area south of San Francisco, we regularly train using simplex among hams, relaying as needed, to ensure all exercise participants get the messages. Among other things, these exercises encourage us to put up more effective antennas to ensure we can communicate across our cities on simplex and not rely on the numerous local repeaters.

I have nothing against D-STAR, IRLP, EchoLink, or repeaters. They can be very useful systems when they are available. My concern is the emphasis on relying on the availability of the Internet for emergency communications. I would like to suggest that any emergency exercise that uses the Internet to pass traffic, also include direct ham-to-ham communication to pass traffic. Furthermore, the ARES E-Letter should encourage this direct communication so that we will truly be prepared for an emergency when/if the Internet is not available: "When all else fails, Amateur Radio." -- Rich Stiebel, W6APZ, Palo Alto, California, CERT, ARES/RACES, w6apz@sbcglobal.net [Stiebel sent this follow-up note: Our last Monday night ARES/RACES net was called "Rubber Ducky Night." Everyone checking in was asked to use their hand-held with either the stock rubber ducky, or an after-market antenna that mounted on their hand-held, i.e., an antenna that one could walk around with on the radio to simulate what communications would be like if our homes' outside antennas were knocked down. Yes, the net took a bit longer with people relaying messages for those who could not be heard by the entire net, but it was good practice." - Ed.]

==> LETTERS: AT GROUND ZERO

I want to thank you for the article in September 2012 QST about Bob Hejl's, W2IK, service at Ground Zero on 9/11. Thanks to Bob for sharing this with the members. It really shows not only the value of Amateur Radio communications, but also depicts the dedication and caring that so many of us in the service share. Many of us lost relatives, friends and acquaintances that tragic day. No one will really ever know how many heroes there were. The article was very enjoyable. Again, thank you both. -- Mark Rappaport, W2EAG, Retired Firefighter, New York, nccwman@aol.com

==> LETTERS: MESH NETWORKS IN THE USVI

Mesh was brought to the US Virgin Islands about six months ago by Peter Sinkowski, KP2US, and the networking has spread like wildfire. KP2US purchased many units, flashed them and sold complete "starter kits" at cost. It's grown from there with our own reflector facilitating dialog.

There are presently about three dozen nodes in the USVI, and more are coming on-line quickly. We found a source for "rootennas" (outdoor router-antenna combinations) and are in the process of building up those for permanent deployment in strategic locations, i.e., attended locations with backup power, particularly at radio amateurs' home sites. We also have a cheap mesh go-kit design using kitty litter/food plastic containers.

Inter-island mesh links are high on the agenda. Installation of a 10-mile link between St. Thomas and St. John is slated for the near future. Commercial 2.4 WiFi signals have been copied across the 40-plus mile St. Thomas to St. Croix link and the design of a 2-way link is underway.

A demonstration of mesh network capability was given to the local EMA, VI National Guard, TSA, E-911 and VI PD. It was well received and we are moving toward designing systems to provide backup voice/data /video communications at key locations: the EOC, E-911, shelters, points of distribution, airports, and ports.

System design is greatly enhanced with the path profiling utility on Google Earth. While it is not an absolute predictor of reliability, it saves a ton of field time checking path reliability. - Fred Kleber, NP2X, K9VV, ARRL Virgin Islands Section Manager

==> LETTERS: MENTAL HEALTH RISKS

I'd like to congratulate you on an excellent Public Service column in July 2012 QST. I believe it is very important for those involved or contemplating involvement in emergency communications to understand the risks to their mental health as a result of what they may experience.

Although one may experience a traumatic event that causes nightmares and/or depression during ARES events, it is also possible to trigger PTSD of traumatic events of many years or decades past. My personal experience and one apparently common to many Vietnam veterans, was PTSD triggered by the events of 9/11. After more than thirty years home and with a successful career in telecommunications and RF applications development for State Farm Mutual, PTSD and depression happened to me post 9/11.

Prior to 9/11, I enjoyed the challenge of developing disaster recovery communications procedures for State Farm and being involved with MARS, FEMA, and ARES communications. It took several years of psychiatry and medication post 9/11 to recover. Now, while I will support the local emergency communicators as a technical resource, I can no longer be a communicator or be on-site for training or actual events.

Thank you for addressing the issue of the mental health risks as an ARES volunteer. I wish you better times and relief from PTSD. -- CSM(r) Gary L. Huber, AB9M, Bloomington, Illinois

Your short article in July QST was both touching and compelling. Thank you for presenting a sensitive topic so eloquently. -- Curt Wilbur, K7CU, Immediate Past President, Utah DX Association; CQ Magazine Awards Checkpoint

==> BEHIND THE CIRCLE - TIM HOLLAND, KK5H, EC, MADISON COUNTY, ALABAMA

Tim L. Holland, KK5H, is the EC for Madison County, Alabama who took time away from his vacation recently to visit your editor K1CE at the hospital in Daytona Beach, Florida, where he works. Holland was

appointed an AEC and Net Manager in 2008, responsible for providing training to his team. (It was the team's dedication to training and participation in ARRL SETs that paid off when it was deployed for the infamous tornado outbreak in April 2007). Holland was appointed EC this past summer. He said "I am proud of our ARES team for having a respected working relationship with the county EMA. We have open access to the EOC for meetings and exercises." Holland has many county hams and seven AECs to assist him with his active ARES team.

==> NEIGHBORHOOD HAMWATCH IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

A new program in central Florida helps neighbors and communities in times of need, with minimal extra effort, right from our own homes: The Neighborhood HamWatch. NHW is not an organization. There are no tests to take nor structured organization to follow. It is rather a simple service program where every ham has the opportunity to use his/her license and radio skills right where they live to support their neighbors during times of an extended power outage or isolation in a disaster or incident. All an NHW operator needs is his or her radio and an emergency backup battery or generator power supply.

Neighbors could be physically isolated due to downed trees, wires, flooded rivers or unsafe roadways. Community life is disrupted, a situation that can last for days or weeks. Residents are under stress from electrical and communication blackout and personal isolation. Media reception is disrupted, telephone and cell phone circuits are overloaded or down and the sense of community is shaken. During these periods of isolation, fear and rumors fill the gap created by a lack of official information and the inability to contact someone outside of the affected area.

This is the scenario where Neighborhood HamWatch operators activate using their preplanned simplex (with repeater backup) radio relay network to break through the barrier of silence. They can establish two-way communications to alert ARES officials at the EOC, keep local authorities up to date, and reconnect neighbors with friends or relatives outside the affected area with health and welfare traffic. In the program, you're a ham, you're a licensed radio communicator and you know what to do: Know the NHW net frequency, check in, observe your surroundings and gather and report neighborhood messages and conditions, needs and requests. -- Norman Lauterette, WA4HYJ, Casselberry, Florida

==> ARES QSO PARTY CONCEPT FEEDBACK

I agree with you regarding it being time to consider the drafting and development of an ARES QSO Party. In order to promote on-the-air practice of skills of message handling and efficiency and the networking of local, district and Section ARES groups across the country it would need to have local, regional and national components.

While digital communications is a growing component of emergency and disaster response communications, I would not advocate that this QSO Party include a digital component. I feel we spend a lot of time tweaking newer technology but often neglect the "shining light" of Amateur communications, the down and dirty direct, point to point communications that forms the foundation of our ability to communicate when others cannot: Simple, direct and effective, not dependent on anything but our power source, our radio and our skills at getting a signal out and a message delivered. - James Burrough, N5DTT, Bellaire, Texas [Burrough also added this as support for his position: http://www.arrl.org/news/the-amateur-amateur-some-aggravation-required -- ed.]

I was chuckling about replying, "It's called Sweepstakes" but then the thought occurred to me that maybe a hybrid would make more sense and not require a completely new contest. Here's a suggestion: start with Sweepstakes. That's a nation-wide HF contest and not really within scope for most ARES teams - they are local/regional. So tack on local communications by using the Sweepstakes info to generate traffic the ARES members then exchange locally, similarly to WAE QTC. Prototype QSO party: (1) Operate Sweepstakes Phone using standard rules. All QSOs must be made according to Sweepstakes rules and a Sweepstakes log MUST be submitted in standard format; (2) Complete 5 Sweepstakes QSOs, then change to local VHF/UHF simplex frequency (no repeaters) designated by SEC/DEC and pass received SS QSO information to local station. Local station could be another QSO party participant or designated QTC handler station(s); (3) Score is SS score + Local QTC total; (4) Local teams verify SS QSO information by comparing QTC log against submitted SS log. No additional HQ processing or resources required, combines HF operating with VHF/UHF message passing. Local teams can optimize however they feel it is appropriate for them. Time periods can be limited or open-ended. -- Ward Silver, N0AX, St. Charles, Missouri [Silver, while living on Vashon Island, Washington, worked closely with community leaders and the Vashon-Maury Island Radio Club (W7VMI) to provide effective emergency communications. Working together, the fire district, CERT, and radio club members created one of the best local communications systems in the state of Washington. He is currently a member of the St. Charles (Missouri) Amateur Radio Club (WB0HSI) and active in the ARES Rapid Response Team (RRT). Silver is the 2008 Dayton Hamvention Amateur of the Year and prolific QST writer and book author. -- Ed.]

Regarding your call for ideas for an ARES QSO Party: Don't limit the Party to a traditional HF only contest -- it should be more like Field Day. Although allowing use of repeaters would be desired from an "all ports in a storm" approach, one person could monopolize a repeater. However, allowing ARES repeaters to announce local non-repeater VHF/UHF frequencies being used by ARES QSO party members once an hour would seem prudent. It would also give some attention to this event. If the logistics of this recommendation are too onerous, require anyone who would use VHF/UHF to pre-register with the ARES group. By doing so, they could have input to the ARES group and the ARES group could

publish the frequencies used during the VHF/UHF part of the ARES QSO Party.

Although Morse code is an important emergency capability mode, care should be taken to allow voice-only ARES members to be able to win. This is traditionally accomplished by keeping awards segregated by mode. If this isn't possible, ensure adequate voice-only awards.

Give a nod to all the different kinds of ways that emergency people provide service. Have the exchange include "years of emergency service." Also, have the contest exchange include all the roles (titles) served over those years. Have the contest entry include all the agencies served as well. Include RACES. -- Randy Wing, N0LD, Butler County, Kansas

==> FROM ARRL HQ: LESSONS LEARNED FROM ISAAC

As we all know every event has lessons to teach us, whether the event be big or small. Isaac, while not packing the punch of Katrina or Ike, still had a tremendous impact on the Gulf coast. In the aftermath lessons emerged for your staff at HQ.

As we've seen in the past, a Major Disaster Emergency Coordinator (MDEC) would have been a huge asset. Hurricanes have a tendency to remind us of this since the operational level rises from the local level to the section level as state assets come into play and typically involve many sections (Isaac involved 13 and Irene in 2011 involved 19 sections). The idea of an MDEC is not new and more information can be found on the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/About%2520ARRL/Committee%2520Reports/2011/July/Doc_33b.pdf >.
Having that go between during multi-section events would be a great tool in the toolbox.

We have also seen the value of contest stations during an emergency. When net control stations were needed during Isaac, contesters volunteered their skills and stations to serve. When planning, be sure to reach out to the contest community. These top of the line stations and operators with sharp skills can and want to assist.

And finally, the methods we use to get information from the field could use some improvement. Our primary method for receiving updates is via e-mail. The e-mails give us a snap shot of what is happening, but they lack hard numbers. A modernization of our on-line reporting system, for both major disasters and routine ARES activations, may need to be considered. Information from the field is critical: It keeps us aware of Amateur activity, provides us with information to share with national partners, and helps increase our visibility to media and the public.

Lessons learned has been a buzz word in disaster response for many years and these lessons are important. However, what matters is lessons applied. I've been amazed at how many times the same lessons learned

emerge again and again with each disaster. Lessons applied is how we get prepared for the next one. It shows that we don't suffer from disaster amnesia. Here at HQ we'll work on building from the lessons learned, as we did after Irene and the 2011 Halloween Nor'easter.

And finally, I invite ARES groups and others to share your lessons learned and lessons applied with us at HQ. Remember, someone else may have faced the same problem, found a solution, and can share the results. 73, Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

September is National Preparedness Month <http://www.ready.gov/>. The ARRL Simulated Emergency Test <http://www.arrl.org/news/get-set-for-the-2012-simulated-emergency-test> (SET) is October 6-7; yes, that's right, that's just a few weeks from now! Click on the links for more information. Get psyched for SET!

It had been a while since I took and passed FEMA's Introduction to the Incident Command System, IS-100.b, so I took it again. To take this course, which is an essential for any ARES operator, click here <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100b.asp>. And while you're at it, take IS-200 and IS-700, too, on ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents and the National Incident Management System (NIMS), respectively!

Have a great ARRL SET! See you next month! 73, Rick, K1CE, Daytona Beach, Florida

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Date: 2012-09-19 07:00:04 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <4F182DE4.20479.1B3EBD3@degraham.people.net.au>
Source record: 1959
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Please delete Don Graham VK6HK from your mailing list as he has now become a Silent Key. Thank you. Pat Graham

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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1793. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-056E - WEBINAR for the Radio Amateurs of/du CanadaAnnual General Meeting September 22, 2012

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Please pre-register for the webinar to attend the Radio Amateurs of/du Canada Annual General Meeting - Montreal on September 22, 2012 3:40 PM EDT at:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4613458776261289984

Welcome to the Radio Amateurs of/du Canada Annual General Meeting - Montreal on September 22, 2012.

Please pre-register before Saturday, 12:00 (noon) EDT using the link provided. A confirmation of your attendance and conference link will be provided by email. Sorry we cannot accept late registrations.

Please direct any questions to President Bawden in advance by 12:00 (noon) Saturday, September 22nd via vo1prb@rac.ca. We will not be able to take questions live via audio during the webinar due to bandwidth issues.

Audio will be via PC speakers or headset (preferred). We will be starting about twenty minutes before the AGM to allow for technical issues. Please note you will need to install a conference client software in advance as well.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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3D2/CR, CONWAY REEF, OC-112
A few members of the "World Wide DX Group" will provide a new DXCC and
band points as 3D2C from Sep 24 until Oct 5. They will focus on Europe
and ask everybofy to respect that during the band openings to EU.
Activity will be in CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31 on 160m-2m. The OPs
will be: Hrane,YT1AD, Aleksej,UA4HOX, Paul,N6PSE, David,WD5COV,
Vasily,RW4NW, David,AH6HY, Alan,K6SRZ, Alan,AD6E, Sergej,RZ3FW,
Craig,K9CT, Stan,LZ1GC, George,N6NKT, Peter,PY5CC, Mike,K6MKF,
Jim,K9JM, Miguel,PY3MM, Luciano,PY5KD, Dragan,YT3W, and Tevita,3D2TR.
Pilot stations are Aca,YU1AA, Toma,YU1AB and Andre,V51B.
QSL via YT1AD, OQRS, ClubLog. See also: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c

4S, SRI LANKA, AS-003
A Japanese group stays in Trincomalee at the east coast of Sri Lanka
until Sep 20. Hiroshi,JA3HBF (4S7HBG), Toru,JR3QHQ (4S7QHG),
Ryo,JG3DOG (4S7DOG), Nakasako,JA3UJR (4S7UJG), Ikuo,JA3TJA (4S7TAG),
7M3FMR (4S7TEG), Kunio,JH3LSS (4S7LSG), and Tatsuo,JA3ARJ (4S7ARG),
will be QRV in all modes on all bands.
If you were lucky you worked them also from Pigeon Island (AS-171).
QSLs via homecalls or as instructed by the operator.

5H, TANZANIA
Noel,WB0VGI, will be in Tanzania from Sep 18 and plans to tour the
country first before operating. So expect him on the bands not earlier
than Oct 8 (until Dec 15) signing 5H3NP from Iringa in CW/SSB/PSK on
20m/15m/10m. He has to build a WARC antenna as well. QSL via homecall.

6W, SENEGAL
Enrico,IK2FIL, will be QRV as 6V7X from Le Calao using his Elecraft K3
plus amp from Sep 24 until Oct 4. He plans to join the upcoming
WWDX RTTY Contest (Sep 29/30) in the single Op/low power category.
QSL via GlobalQSL, LoTW, eQSL. See also: http://6v7x.jimdo.com

9M2, WESTERN MALAYSIA
Piju,9M2PJU, will be active as 9M2PJU/p in CW on 15m/20m from the
Pertak dam in Kuala Kubu Bharu from Sep 22-24. His callsign is also
good for the "Diamond DXCC Award Challenge" of the ARRL.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.arrl.org/active-stations

CE, CHILE
Luis,CE2/CX1EK, is working mainly in CW on 10m and 12m until Sep 20.
QSL unfortunately only direct to: Luis Matho, 2303 Nordok Place,
Alexandria, VA 22306, USA.

F, FRANCED
The special event station TM34CDXC is active until Sep 22 from the
34rd Convention of the Clipperton DX Club in Granville.
QSL via F5CWU (OQRS), LoTW. See also: http://www.f5cwu.net/oqrs

G, ENGLAND
The South Lancs Amateur Radio Club will be QRV as GB1BAS from the site
that was Bickershaw & Abram Station, which closed 48 years ago, for the
Railways On The Air (ROTA). They will work on 80m/40m/20m/10m/2m/70cm
on Sep 22/23. QSL via bureau. See also: http://www.slarc.co.uk
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The Ryder Cup will take place in the USA on Sep 28-30. Dick,G3VSQ, will
be QRV as GB39RC in CW/RTTY on 10m/15m/20m/40m from Verulam Golf Club
in St. Albans (Loc IO91UR) until Sep 30. QSL via G3VSQ, LoTW, eQSL.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN
Philippe,ON4ACP, Erik,ON4ANN, Jose,ON4CAU, Eric,ON4CCV, Marc,ON4CJY,
Cedric,ON4CKM, and Walter,ON8CW, will be QRV in SSB and CW on 80m-10m
signing HB0/Homecalls from Sep 19-22 with emphasis on the high bands.
QSL via ON4ANN. See also: http://users.telenet.be/on4ann

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA, OC-045
Juergen,DJ2VO, had to return to American Samoa because he became sick
on the trip to Swains Island (NH8S). He may use the station of the
deceased KH8LG as KH8/DJ2VO starting around Sep 15 but has to clean up
the station before.

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Jeff,KP2/K5WE, is making pile-ups on all bands working from St. Croix
mostly in CW and some RTTY until Sep 26. QSL via homecall.

ON, BELGIUM
The special event station ON68POL is active until Sep 30 and remembers
the liberation of the bridgehead of Rijkevorsel by the "Polar Bears"
68 years ago. Increased activity has been announced for the weekend
on Sep 22/23.
QSL via bureau.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI, OC-017
Melody,T30MK, is a resident on the Tarawa atoll (OC-017) in Western
Kiribati. He is looking forward to QSOs with radio friends around the
world but asks for patience during the QSO.

TA, TURKEY
Gab,TA/HA3JB, will be QRV in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m
between Sep 22 and Oct 2. He will join the upcoming WWDX RTTY Contest
in the SOSB category. QSOs with him are also good for the IPA award.
QSL unfortunately only direct (OQRS). See also: http://www.ha3jb.com

UA0, ASIATIC RUSSIA, AS-025
Valery,RA0SS/0, is working from Kunashir Island (AS-025) until the
beginning of October using a vertical on 20m and a dipole for 30m.
QSL via homecall.

V6, MICRONESIA, OC-010
Madison,W5MJ, is active as V63MJ from Pohnpei Island (OC-010). Listen
for him in CW on 40m-10m (maybe also 80m) until Sep 22. QSL via W5MJ.

VE, CANADA
The Mississauga Amateur Radio Club plans to use the club call VE3MIS
in SSB on 7.210 kHz and 14.250 kHz from the "Halton County Radial
Railway Museum" on Sep 22. QSL via VE3TKI.
See also: http://www.marc.on.ca and http://www.hcry.org

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND, OC-002 / VK9C, COCOS KEELING ISLANDS, OC-003
Sadao,JA1PBV, is working as VK9XS from Christmas Island (OC-002) until
Sep 20 and once again from Sep 28-29. He also plans to show up as VK9CS
from the Cocos Keeling Islands (OC-003) from Sep 21-28. he works in CW
and plans to focus on NA and SA. QSLs via JA1PBV.
Logsearch is available at: http://ito110.com

W, USA
Mark,KM6HB, will activate the special event station K6P for the eighth
time in a row during the "National POW-MIA Recognition Day" from
Sep 21-23. The 3rd Friday in September was set
by the American Congress
in order to remember the prisoners and missing soldiers.
QSL via KM6HB, unfortunately only direct, LoTW, eQSL.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN
The first two Z8 licenses habe been issued on Sep 13:
Z81A: James Pratt,K7QI, QSL via K7GSE
Z81D: Diya Al Sadi,YI1DZ, QSL via OM3JW
Diya has set up his station already in Nyakuron South, Juba and James
may use it as well.

Republic of Kosovo "on air" soon: The supervised independence of Kosovo
ended on Sep 10. Kosovo has two million inhabitants and the capital is
Pristina. So far, 91 countries including U.S., Japan, Germany, France,
Great Britain, the Benelux and Nordic countries have recognized the
Republic of Kosovo under
international law.
An Amateur Radio working group headed by IARU Region 1 President
Hans Blondeel Timmerman,PB2T, and including IARU Region 1 Executive
Committee Member Nikola Percin,9A5W, and "Mission Goodwill Kosovo"
Coordinator Martti Laine,OH2BH, together with their associates are in

the final stages of assisting Kosovo's Telecom Authorities in drafting regulations governing Amateur Radio in Kosovo, to bring the original Kosovar operators and their re-vitalized Amateur Radio Association back to the international community. See also: http://www.voanews.com/content/supervised-independence-ends-in-kosovo/1505339.html and http://www.iaru-r1.org

Electronic journals online: Old electronic journals including the QST have been put online: http://www.rsp-italy.it/Electronics/Magazines

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application of the German DARC performance diplomas using
the DARC Contest Logbook and are particularly fond of the combination
of the DCL with LotW and eQSL.
VE3FWA thanks DF8AA, manager of the WAE award, with following words:
"Some remarks on the DCL. What you have created here is incredible.
No-one but the DARC can connect eQSL, LotW and Contestlog to apply for diplomas. Really great! It is also a pleasure to use. Otherwise I would have not been able to collect all the
necessary QSL cards for the DARC
awards. Thank you for setting up this system. 73! Ed, VE3FWA"
In his "SV5DKL amateur radio blog" SV5DKL even presents his recently received EU-DX-D 1000
Trophy, his Europe RTTY Diploma (EURD) and other
DARC awards that he could apply for only by using
the DCL. This is not
only a good achievement but also proof to the excellent
acceptance of
the DARC Contest Logbook.
See: http://sv5dkl.blogspot.de/2012_08_01_archive.html
This might be also an additional motivation for award collectors to participate in a contest since many logs are uploaded to the DCL as well. As a result the
application of awards is very much simplified.
The DARC Contest Logbook can be found at: http://www.dxhf.darc.de/~dcl

E40VB QSL status: The E40VB QSLs were mailed on Sep 13. Documentation was sent to the ARRL by the end of July but DXCC approval is still pending.

OPs wanted: Three more operators are wanted for a major international DXpedition to Banaba Island (T33) in March/April 2013.
If you are interested to join please send an e-mail to: Banaba@T33A.com

Short term award: The "YB Land DX Club" issues a special award to celebrate his first anniversary. See also:
http://www.ybdxc.net
http://www.ybdxc.net/2012/09/yb-land-dx-club-1st-anniversary.html
http://www.facebook.com/groups/ybdxc
https://twitter.com/#!/ybdxc
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YBDXC_News

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 23: BARTG Sprint 75
Sep 24: DIG-PA Contest
Sep 29/30: CQ WWDX Contest, RTTY

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Lighthouse Weekend: The "Adriatic DX Team" has organised an Italian Light-
house Weekend on Sep 22/23. More information can be found at:
http://digilander.libero.it/adriaticdxteam

Island activities:
AF-014, CT3, Madeira Archipalego: Walter,DJ6QT, Goetz,DJ3IW, Kalle,DM3BJ,
Stefan,DK1MM, Horst,DK1QH, Dieter,DK4QT, Boris,E73Y, Mario,S56A, and
Hans-Juergen,DL1YFF, will be QRV as CT9/homecalls from Santana on
Ilha da Madeira (DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, DPRN FF-101, WLOTA 053,
WFF CTFF-030) between Sep 20 and Oct 4. This will include a multi-multi
entry in the WWDX RTTY Contest (Sep 29/30) as CR3L.
QSLs via homecalls and for CR3L via DJ6QT (direct/bureau).
See also: http://www.cq3l.de

AF-032, 5H, Zanzibar Island: Harald,DL7VSN, will be QRV again from Zanzibar
signing 5H1HS from Sep 23 until Oct 13. He also plans a short trip to
"Lazy Lagoon Island" (no IOTA) as 5H1HS/3. QSL via DL7VSN.

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Gus,ON6KE, plans to show up again from the island
of Gozo (MIA MM-004, WLOTA 046, Loc JM76cb) from Sep 22-28. He will
sign 9H3AK in CW on 40m/30m/20m using QRP.
QSL via ON6KE (only LoTW and eQSL).

EU-028, IA5, Tuscany Region Group: Max,IA5/IZ2LTW, is staying on Elba Island
until Sep 22 and hands out IOTA points on HF and 6m. QSL via homecall.

EU-069, EA5, Columbretes Islands: A few members of the "Invoker Team" will
be QRV as EG5INT from Columbretes Island from Sep 20-24. The team
includes George,EA2TA, Christian,EA3NT, Ramon,EA3OR, Raul,EA5KA, and
Guillermo,EA5MON, and the station will be active on all HF bands.
QSL only direct via EA5KA.

EU-128, DL, Schleswig-Holstein State East group: Klaus,DL7UXG, Ric,DL2VFR,
Henning,DB5BZ, Friedrich,DL4BBH, and Matthias,DK7LV, will be active as
DM50IOTA from Fehmarn Island (GIA O-001, WLOTA 0637) from Sep 21-23.
They plan to work in SSB/CW on HF and VHF. QSL via DM50IOTA (d/B).
See also: http://www.iota-expedition.com

NA-067, W4, North Carolina State East Group: Glenn,NY4NC/p, is working in CW
mainly on 40m/20m running with QRP power from Ocracoke Island (NA-067,

USi NC001S, WLOTA 0466, Hyde county) until Sep 21. QSL via homecall.

NA-213, W4, Alabama State Group: OPs of the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club
will use the special callsign K4D in CW, SSB and digital modes from the
Sand Island lighthouse on Dauphin Island from Sep 25-30.
QSL via bureau, LoTW, eQSL. See also: http://www.w4bti.org

OC-019, KH6, Hawaiian Islands: Tommy,VK2IR, Peter,VK2NN, and their families
will stay on Hawaii from Sep 22 until Oct 6 and plan to work in holiday
style as KH6/homecalls on 40m-10m during this time. QSL via VK2IR.

OC-045, KH8, Tutuila Island: John,KH8/N7CQQ, and Ron,KH8/N6XT, will be QRV
on the HF bands from Tutuila Island (USi AS-007S, WLOTA 4385) between
Sep 20 and Oct 1. QSLs only direct via homecall.

AS-194, JA6, Senkaku Islands (Japan): On Sep 14 the tensions between Japan
and China escalated. Six Chinese patrol boats have entered the waters
of the Senkaku Islands (known as Diaoyu) which are controlled by Tokyo
and claimed by Beijing. It is very likely that this is the end of a
planned activation of one of the most wanted IOTAs for a long time.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

24Sep-05Oct 3D2C 1798 *
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
-20Sep 4S7HBG.. 1798 *
Sep 5B/G3RWF 1795
23Sep-13Oct 5H1HS 1798 *
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1742/1753/1772
2012 6D0LM 1774
02Sep-22Sep 6Y5/DL3JH 1797
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-03Nov 8J2YDU 1794
-21Oct 8J4HAM 1974
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780

Unknown 8Q7HA 1796
Unknown 9G5ZS 1795
22Sep-28Sep 9H3AK 1798 *
Unknown 9J2JA 1796
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
22Sep-24Sep 9M2PJU/p 1798 *
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
-20Sep CE2/CX1EK 1798 *
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
16Sep-04Oct CR3L 1797/1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DJ3IW 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DJ6QT 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DK1MM 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DK1QH 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DK4QT 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DL1YFF 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DM3BJ 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/E73Y 1798 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/S56A 1798 *
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
21Sep-23Sep DM50IOTA 1798 *
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791

07Sep-21Sep E6M.. 1796/1797
-31Dec E720RS 1770
20Sep-24Sep EG5INT 1798 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
-Sep GB0PGY 1797
22Sep-23Sep GB1BAS 1798 *
-30Sep GB39RC 1798 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Sep GO4BJC/A.. 1796
-2013 H44RK 1793

-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
19Sep-22Sep HB0/ON4ACP.. 1798 *
-30Sep HG1912PTTT 1796
-22Sep IA5/IZ2LTW 1798 *

25Sep-30Sep K4D 1798 *
21Sep-23Sep K6P 1798 *
20Sep-01Oct KH8/N6XT 1798 *
20Sep-01Oct KH8/N7CQQ 1798 *
-26Sep KP2/K5WE 1798 *
-21Sep NY4NC/p 1798 *
-22Sep V63MJ 1798 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
22Sep VE3MIS 1798 *
-20Sep VK9XS 1798 *
28Sep-29Sep VK9XS 1798 *
21Sep-28Sep VK9CS 1798 *
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
14Sep-23Sep YT7WA/4O 1797
Unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
12Sep-20Sep ZA/OK1HH.. 1797
18Aug-31Sep ZD9KN 1794/1795
Unknown ZD9KX 1795
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3D2C via YT1AD (B), OQRS
3V8BB via LX1NO (d) (WAE SSB 2012)
4L0G via EA7FTR (d)
4O7TC via UA3TCJ
4S7ARG via JA3ARJ
4S7DOG via JG3DOG (B)
4S7HBG via JA3HBF
4S7LSG via JA1CJA
4S7QHG via JR3QHQ (B)
4S7TAG via JA3TJA
4S7TEG via 7M3FMR
4S7UJG via JA3UJR
5H1HS via DL7VSN (B)
5H1HS/3 via DL7VSN (B)
5H3NP via WB0VGI
5P1EBR via DL1EBR (B)
8P9LJ via G0OPA
9H3AK (L), eQSL
9M2IDJ via JA6IDJ
9M2PJU/p via 9M2PJU (d)

AY8A via LU8ADX (B)
BV2TW via BU2BF
CE2/CX1EK via CX1EK (d, US address)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CR5DBOSCO via CT1EPE
CT9/DJ3IW via DJ3IW (B)
CT9/DJ6QT via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DK1MM via DK1MM (B)
CT9/DK1QH via DK1QH (B)
CT9/DK4QT via DK4QT (B)
CT9/DL1YFF via DL1YFF (B)
CT9/DM3BJ via DM3BJ (B)
CT9/E73Y via E73Y (B)
CT9/S56A via S56A (B)
DA0CW/p via DL7RAG (B)
EG3SBD via EA3URS
EG5INT via EA5KA (d)
EH2HJ via EA2CJW
EX8VM via RW6HS (d)
GB0CGT (B)
GB0LFR (B)
GB1BAS (B)
GB39RC via G3VSQ (B), (L), eQSL
GB4BOB via G0BPK (B)
GB5IFC (B)
HB0/ON4ACP via ON4ANN (B)
HB0/ON4ANN via ON4ANN (B)
HB0/ON4CAU via ON4ANN (B)
HB0/ON4CCV via ON4ANN (B)
HB0/ON4CJY via ON4ANN (B)
HB0/ON4CKM via ON4ANN (B)
HB0/ON6MI via ON4ANN (B)
HB0/ON8CW via ON4ANN (B)
HK1NA via K6IPM (B)
IA5/IZ2LTW via IZ2LTW
IR2L via IW2LLH
JI3DST/JI1 via JI3DST (B)
JW8DW via LA8DW (B)
JW9HH via LA9HH
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (B)
K4D (B), (L), eQSL
K6P via KM6HB (d), (L), eQSL
KH6/VK2IR via VK2IR (B)
KH6/VK2NN via VK2IR (B)
KH8/DJ2VO via DJ2VO (B)
KH8/N6XT via N6XT (d)
KH8/N7CQQ via N7CQQ (d)
KP2/K5WE via K5WE
LT0H via EA7FTR (d)
NH7O via EA5GL (d)

NY4NC/p via NY4NC (d)
OE/DK1AX/p via DK1AX (B)
OE/OK8WFF via DL7RAG (B)
OF150M via OH8DR
OH/DJ9DZ via DJ9DZ
OH0V via OH6LI (B)
ON68POL via ON4AZD (B)
OX/OZ0J via OZ0J (B)
OX3JI via OZ2JI
PR1T (L)
PW2D via M0OXO (B)
PW2T via PY2MN
R100RW via UA9OA (B)
R20SRR via RK3A
RA0SS/0 via RA0SS
SB6HL via SM5YRA (B)
TK/DL4FF via DL4FF (B)
TM34CDXC via F5CWU (OQRS), (L)
TT8FC via EA3GWK
UA9FAR via EA7FTR (d)
UN7MMM via EA7FTR (d)
UN8GV via RD3AY
UR5LTV/p via UR5LTV
UR9LD/p via UR9LD
UT/R100SG via RN3FY
UU4JDD/p via UU4JDD
V5/DL3ZAD via DL3ZAD
V5/HB9PHJ via HB9PHJ (B)
V55V via DJ8VC (B)
V63MJ via W5MJ (B)
V73AX via WH0AI
VE3MIS via VE3TKI
VK9CS via JA1PBV (B)
VK9XS via JA1PBV (B)
XP2I via OZ1BII
XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
YU/UR8UA via UR8UA
YY2CAR via EA7HBC
Z81A via K7GSE
Z81D via OM3JW (B)
ZA/OK2BOB via OK2BOB (B)
ZY5Y via PP5BS

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: OH2DZ/p (EU-096/EU097/EU-126/EU-184, UA1ANA),PJ2/DK5ON,
SM/OH2DZ/p (EU-139, UA1ANA), TF/OH2DZ (EU-021, UA1ANA),

YW5PI (SA-048, DM4TI)

QSLs arrived bureau: DP3LUNA, DR800PORT, ER44WFF, JA1SFL, LZ1818MOG, W1UE,
P4/PG4DX, V8AQM (W3HNK), VP5DX (NU4Y), ZD8D (DL9HO),
3C0C (AF-039, EA7FTR), 9A4QA/p (EU-170), CR6T (OH1NOA),
C565JC (ON4LAC), CT3/IZ2DPX (AF-014), EA8UP, ER1RY,
CT9/RWQ9JZ (AF-014), FJ/OS1T (NA-146), HB0/SP7VC,
HI7/EA7LS (NA-096), IS0UTA (EU-024), J79WI (WI9WI),
KH6/AI5P (OC-019), NN7A/NL7 (NA-206), LX/ON7PQ/p,
OZ/DL1ANT/p (EU-171), PQ8OP (SA-045), P4/PG4DX (SA-036),
PJ4C (SA-006, F9IE), PJ4/W9NJY (SA-006), TI5/KI7Y,
UN9GD, SV9/ON6DSL/p (EU-015), ZK3OU (OC-048, N7OU)

QSLs arrived LoTW: 2O12L, 4M5RY, 5P5J, 7O6T, 9A/HA4BF, 9L1JT, CN4P,
CT7/G3SED, CY9M, DL1AW, DL4LH, DL6HH/p, EA5GUI, EA6AZ,
EA6/IZ2LSC, EI1NC/p, EJ0PL, F4BKV/p, F8GGD, G4ZOY,
GB2012MV, GO3VQO/p, HK0NA, HK3AK, HS0ZJU, IK6BAK/p,
IS0/IZ3DBA, JW0HR, LZ1822MIT, MJ0HTR, MJ/OT9Z, N1UNH,
OE8/DF2SD/p, OE/G4OBK/p, OH0/YL3DQ, OJ0R, OK5NN/p,
P29VJY, RA6YY, SP/PA3FYG/p, SQ7OVV, ST0R, TK/IK3DBA,
TY1KS, V55V, VI4WIP50, YI9LZ

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The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

1795. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 19 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 11:57:26 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec518660c7992a604ca0cb583@google.com>
Source record: 1962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Lafayette Middle School, Lafayette, GA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qLTNXbTm3pw/ariss_event_2109.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The contact will be direct between NA1SS and W4LMS. It should be audible
over the U.S. state of Georgia and adjacent areas and interested parties
are invited to listen-in on the 145.80 MHz downlink

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International Electronic and Ham Radio Camp 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hMhgJU7T_O4/international_electronic_and_ham_radio_camp_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The International Electronic and Ham Radio Camp 2012 for young people aged
10-16 took place in the Czech Republic, July 30 - August 8

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Icom America announces subsidiary in Brazil

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_W1Fy7ziZDo/icom_america_announces_subsidiary_in_brazil.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Icom America has announced the establishment of Icom Brazil, a subsidiary
with headquarters in Belo Horizonte, the capital city of Minas Gerais state

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BUAA-SAT Amateur Radio Satellite

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nCXBF2FOcA0/buaa_sat_amateur_radio_satellite.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

BUAA-SAT is a university micro-satellite project developed by the students
of Beihang University (Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics).
It carries an amateur radio 435/145 MHz FM voice transponder

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Z60K Republic of Kosovo

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xtkOZsHVgLU/z60k_republic_of_kosovo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Monday, September 10, 2012, marked the end of the supervised independence of the Republic of Kosovo, a European country with a population of 2 million, and the beginning of its status as a fully sovereign state

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Amaryllis bulb Morse Code machine

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B8_3sK-sjig/amaryllis_bulb_morse_code_machine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur OH6DC loves to find new, crazy ways to reuse old gadgets and materials

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Western Kiribati T30PY/T30SIX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/M3uRnb0EAGk/western_kiribati_t30py_t30six.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are working on the last minute logistic issues as well as on final preparation of our operation

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Operators wanted for Banaba DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vuxbE5HwtRo/operators_wanted_for_banaba_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A 14-member team of operators led by Jay W2IJ and David N1EMC is being planned for a DXpedition to Banaba for March/April 2013. They have 3 places remaining for interested operators

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Irish Licence Examination - places still available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bXQGq6iFSGs/irish_licence_examination.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Almost all of the places have been allocated for the next Amateur Station Licence Examination which will be held on Thursday 4th October at 2 p.m.in the ComReg Offices in Dublin

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Guiding Light

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/U27P0E85Gi8/guiding_light.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Wireless Institute of Australia Board invites clubs, groups of clubs and even groups of individuals to consider conducting the WIA Annual Conference

1796. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 19 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 16:14:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93991530f40c304ca104c12@google.com>
Source record: 1963
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Radio Deluxe's W4PC; YLRL's WX4MM: A HamRadioNow Twofer

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 06:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361985-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-s-W4PC-YLRL-s-WX4MM-A-HamRadioNow-Twofer&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 21: Ham Radio Deluxe

Rick Ruhl W4PC

Episode 22: Women in Ham Radio

Mary Moore WX4MM

Rick talks to Gary for a bit about Ham Radio Deluxe. And rumor

has it that there are some women in Ham Radio. That's unconfirmed,

but our conversation with former YLRL President WX4MM almost

has us convinced.

Watch them at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

And thanks to all the hams who have been both contributing

and leaving nice comments on email, YouTube, here on QRZ, etc! The recent

programs have been well received.

to support these programs, visit

HAMRADIONOW.tv

and 'click the pig'

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KG4WSS, Killed in Consulate Attack

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 01:37 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361941-KG4WSS-Killed-in-Consulate-Attack&goto=newpost

09/18/2012 Sean P. Smith, KG4WSS, of Falls Church, Virginia, was killed
when the US Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, was attacked on September 11.
He was 34. Smith was one of four Americans, including Chris Stevens --

the US Ambassador to Libya -- who was killed in the attack.

(The remainder of this article removed at the request of the ARRL for copyright violation. Those interested are encouraged to read it at: http://www.arrl.org/news/sean-smith-kg4wss-killed-in-consulate-attack)

1797. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 19 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 16:56:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bac43e46ee304ca10e2f9@google.com>
Source record: 1964
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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YJ0AFU Vanuatu

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 05:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362026-YJ0AFU-Vanuatu&goto=newpost

NA5U will be active from Vanuatu 3-10 November 2012 as YJ0AFU

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/yj0afu_vanuatu/

73 Al 4L5A

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Cabrillo report CIS-QPSK63-DX

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 01:07 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362021-Cabrillo-report-CIS-QPSK63-DX&goto=newpost

You should send your cabrillo log upload via the Web interface:
http://ua9qcq.com/contests/submit_log_eng.php

Please, your questions or Cabrillo reports which you cannot load, send to
the address of: epc(at)epc-ru.ru

List of uploaded logs:
http://ua9qcq.com/contests/uploaded_...%20DX%20QPSK63

Claimed results of http://ua9qcq.com/contests/claimed_r...php?tbl=CIS_DX

START-OF-LOG: 2.0

CONTEST: CIS-QPSK63-DX

CALLSIGN: XX0XXX

CATEGORY: SINGLE-OP ALL HIGH

CLAIMED-SCORE:

OPERATORS: XX0XXX

CREATED-BY: MixW

NAME: John Wilson

ADDRESS: xxxxx xxxxx, xxxxx xxxx

EMAIL: xx0xxx@xxxxx.xx

SOAPBOX: power 50 wt, trcvr..., ant... etc

Mode QPSK63 should be designated in the report as QM and in any way
differently!

To attention of users MixW: before drawing up of the cabrillo report
again load and establish DLL (updating of 15.09.2012) -
http://www.digitalrus.ru/

All logs must be uploaded no later than 15 days after the contest. (till
01 October 2012)

The sample of the report for subgroup SOHP:
http://www.contest.epc-ru.ru/cispskdx/sohp/UN9GSW.cbr

The sample of the report for subgroup SOLP:
http://www.contest.epc-ru.ru/cispskdx/solp/UR7QQQ.cbr

The sample of the report for subgroup MOST:
http://www.contest.epc-ru.ru/cispskdx/most/RC3DXX.cbr

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1st Activation of Horseshoe Island - K5H

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 11:33 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?361932-1st-Activation-of-Horseshoe-Island-K5H&goto=ne
wpost

K5H is the first activation of Horseshoe Island on Beaver Lake near
Rogers, Arkansas, as part of the U.S. Islands Awards Program.

Time: Sunday, September 30, 2012; 0900 - 1700 Central Time (1400 - 2200
UTC); Weather permitting.

Suggested frequencies (+ or -):

40 meters: 7.245 mHz20 meters: 14.250 mHz

15 meters: 21.310 mHz10 meters: 28.410 mHz

Operators: K5KVN, WB0RUR, K5PO; Follow @K5KVN, @WB0RUR and @K5PO on
Twitter for real-time frequencies and info. More details at Gary's blog
www.wb0rur.com.

1798. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 38 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 19:12:15 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120919191135.ACD3812333266@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1965
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 38 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-09-19
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ZK2 ; Niue ; Square: AH51 ; start 2012-09-07

6m (&2m) EME DXpedition to ZK2 September 7-21, 2012
LATEST NEWS from W7GJ, dated 2012-09-08:
Arrived in Niue Friday afternoon September 7 local time (I am 11 hours behind GMT,
so it was early September 8 GMT). Weather this afternoon was great. E6M license is
in hand. Not currently able to send email or update my web page with this slow and
intermittent internet connection. Watch ON4KST EME CHAT page for updates.
21' mast is assembled and a location for it has been prepared...a few of the more
obvious offending palm fronds have been broken off and pulled out of the way now.
The 6M8GJ yagi should clear the metal house roof by about a foot when I am aimed
to the east over the house. I will start assembling the yagi today at first light
today (Saturday, September 8 GMT) and hopefully will be able to recruit some helpers
from down the road to help raise the antenna later in the day. It will require some
extra help with all the trees and bushes around, preventing a normal clean raising.
6m station is currently set up except for the antenna.

VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

NEWS by W7GJ, dated 2012-09-03:
Hello! Well, I wanted to provide as much advance time as I could so you could mark your calendars and/or get everything in your 6m station optimized by the end of August ;-)
As those of you know who completed JT65A mode contacts with me on 6m EME when I was in E51, 3D2 and 5W, I will do my best to set up and be active during our common moon windows - especially during the optimum days of the month for 6m EME.
The callsign is not in hand yet (but assured by email), and the QTH has not been finalized, but all the plane tickets have been purchased (as usual, any contributions are VERY welcome),
and the equipment (a KX3 portable transceiver with compatible 6m amplifier) is in the works.
As soon as the license is in hand, the information will also be available under the callsign on QRZ.com.
In the meantime, preliminary information about the DXpedition is here:
http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Niue2012.htm
I don't know if it will be possible to find a QTH that provides my usual preference for a takeoff shot
over water on moonrise. However, that is not necessary to work NA stations during their moonsets (I will be elevating),
so we will get the ground gain on YOUR end for that ;-) And if a QTH with a good moonrise shot (for EU moonset)
cannot be found, it is quite likely that we will instead wind up with a good moonset over the water for the EU moonrise.
Currently, ZL1RS is planning to activate ZK2 on 2m EME during the same time period, as we did together from E51 and 3D2;
Bob's call will probably be his old callsign of ZK2RS. More details will be posted on the above website as the departure
time at the end of August gets closer.
I am very much looking forward to giving you a new one on the Magic Band! GL and DX! VY 73, Lance

SOURCE: tnx to Lance, W7GJ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA6 ; Bbalearic Is. ; Square: JM29-JN10-JN20 ; start 2012-09-09

EA6SA/p activity mid september

holiday activity and radio frm Minorca Isl.[4 sq]
last info @ on4kst chat and/or cluster.

SOURCE: tnx to EA6SA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GU & GJ ; Guernsey & Jesrey ; Square: IN89 ; start 2012-09-29

Hermann, DL2NUD, and Peter, DJ4TC, will be qrv some days from GU and GJ
during sept. 29th and oct. 09th, 2012
Main goal are the higher bands these time. Activity on 144 MHz will be only short!
The Team will be ready with following equipment:
144: 9 el 7KF hor./vert. abt. 400W
432: 21 el hor. 120W (400W sometimes)
1296: 62 el hor. 200W (400W sometimes)

Source: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2012-10-01

Bodo, DF8DX, qrv from SV9 on HF and 23cm EME

Equipment will be like on my previous DXpeditions IC7000 with transverter (100W) and 59ele yagi.
call: SV9/DF8DX
Grid: KM25 (exact locator will be given later)
IOTA: EU-015
Activity on 23cm EME:
October 2, 2000-2130z (for EU)
October 3, 0400-0600z (for NA)
with backup dates:
October 3, 2030-2200z (for EU)
October 4, 0430-0600z (for NA)
Frequency: TX first on 1296.090MHz / RX on my own echo frequency (just like in CW)

I am one week on SV9 but I would prefer you work me on the suggested times because i want to spend some time with my wife on this vacation and also enjoy some HF (CW only) activity as well
as maybe activity from EU-187. Further skeds on request (if necesary). Check www.mmmonvhf.de for updates.

73 de Bodo, DF8DX

SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DF8DX, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA ; Spain ; Square: IN93 ; start 2012-10-06

ED2T DXPEDITION FOR IARU CONTEST 2012

We will be qrv from IN93ia, 1570m asl.
70cm: 2x 4yagi array + PAs
23cm: 8x long yagi + PA
13cm: 1x long yagi + PA
3cm: 70cm prime focus + 1W

>From this qth we have good take off to central europe and G.

Hope to cu

SOURCE: tnx to ED2T direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info

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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1799. eHam.net News for Wednesday 19 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-19 22:28:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235465af0ae304ca15866a@google.com>
Source record: 1966
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Request for Proposals to Fund a Radio Propagation-Related Project:

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28991

The RSGB's Propagation Studies Committee is inviting proposals to fund a radio propagation-related project, up to a maximum of £1,000. The PSC was recently bequeathed £1,000 by the late Charlie Newton, G2FKZ, who died earlier this year. Charlie was an active member of PSC and also helped educate other amateurs about propagation matters through talks and lectures. He was also the author of the book Radio Auroras, which is viewed as a definitive guide to this type of propagation. His bequest was made to help fund propagation-related research and the PSC is looking to hear from any person or group who might have a detailed proposal for how the money could be used.

1800. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 19 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-20 02:25:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc0c716b35804ca18d6dc@google.com>
Source record: 1967
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Mound Amateur Radio members to host public 50th celebration - Dayton Daily
News

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 09:23 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEBVsXmpi5KRxPqa1p-2dEZJPxxwQ&url=http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/news/local/mound-amateur-radio-members-to-host-public-50th-ce/nSBrh/

Mound Amateur Radio members to host public 50th celebration
Dayton Daily News
“Some Mound employees visited the Kansas City lab and found they were using Ham radios as a backup, which was more secure. When they returned, they started up the Mound Amateur Radio Association (MARA).” Melke, a West Carrollton native and ...

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Amateur radio group hosts licensing classes - Agoura Hills Acorn

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 06:12 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEd6LNUAAJPcMroaVOj9BSqpldO-Q&url=http://www.theacorn.com/news/2012-09-20/Community/Amateur_radio_group_hosts_licensing_classes.html

Amateur radio group hosts licensing classes
Agoura Hills Acorn
21 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3645 N. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks. The ham radio license manual will be available for purchase. It includes a CD with practice test questions. For more information, call Dave Singer at (805) 377 ...

1801. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 20 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-20 11:05:51 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d04462c2ed0482504ca201a46@google.com>
Source record: 1968
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/p9kiIVYKie0/september_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NH8S (Swains Is) was yet again the most popular DX of the week followed by D2EB and D3AA (Angola). Friday was unusual as there were more spotters than actual working stations and TM34CDXC is Clipperton DX Club 34th convention

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DARC Contest Logbook and performance diplomas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BwRiBaFNQBg/darc_contest_logbook_and_performance_diplomas.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Foreign radio amateurs are increasingly using the excellent opportunities for easy application of the German DARC performance diplomas using the DARC Contest Logbook and are particularly fond of the combination of the DCL with LotW and eQSL

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EURAO Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zy2ztNFr10o/eurao_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The European Radio Amateurs' Organization has just released its first newsletter, which explains who it is, what it does and why it exists

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RSARS e-docs Library

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gegcYIP7gNM/rsars_e_docs_library.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Royal Signals Amateur Radio Society (RSARS) has made available a number of articles in PDF format

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Ham Radio in Cyclone Risk Management Project

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oEd6YCq3mWo/ham_radio_in_cyclone_risk_management_project.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio features in the National Cyclone Risk Management Project of
the Indian Government

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Floriade Special Event station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FlSLCmNOO_o/floriade_special_event_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Activity is taking place during the final days of the World Horticultural
Expo, The Floriade, in Venlo, Holland

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Webinar for the Radio Amateurs of/du Canada Annual General Meeting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zwOP1SclcM4/rac_webinar.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please pre-register for the webinar to attend the Radio Amateurs of/du
Canada Annual General Meeting - Montreal on September 22, 2012

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Martello Tower Group activation of Herm approaches

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0v8ZxGG479M/martello_tower_group_activation_of_herm_approaches.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In just over two weeks the Martello Tower Group are activating the island
of Herm, part of Channel Islands and a member of the EU-114 IOTA group

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kvBJKbaabUQ/wca_2009.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

News of 5 operations taking place this Saturday, 22 September, in the World
Castles Award programme

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0at_q69_d78/september_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

1802. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 20 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-20 16:23:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec518660c0aadc904ca248c6a@google.com>
Source record: 1969
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Qsl island of popov - ri0nz

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 02:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362128-Qsl-island-of-popov-ri0nz&goto=newpost

I PREPARE TO SEND QSL-CARD*s FOR THE DX-pedition

ISLAND OF POPOV - RI0NZ IOTA AS-066 . 2012 JULY 24-30.

VLADO/ RI0NZ/ UA0LCZ/

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First two Amateurs to licensed in The Republic of South Sudan

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 01:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362072-First-two-Amateurs-to-licensed-in-The-Republic-of-South-Sudan&goto=newpost

The Republic of South Sudan is finally active on the Amateur bands thanks to the help and guidance from the Ministry of Telecommunications and Postal Services located in Juba. The first amateur to be licensed is James Pratt (Z81A). James is from Lake Stevens, WA and licensed as K7QI. The QSL manager for Z81A is Frank Remington (K7GSE). The second operator is Diya (Z81D), and works for the UN-WFP (World Food Program). His QSL manager is Stefan Horecky (OM3JW). Also to note is the approval of the third amateur (Z88Z) who has plans to setup and operate remotely. With the list of call signs the ITU-R1 has given to South Sudan, Diya and I will work closely with the Ministry to spread the group of call signs through out all 10 States of South Sudan. For now, only Z81A and Z81D are active so please be patient with us as we do our best to confirm as many QSO's as possible.

1803. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 20 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-20 16:40:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e82dc986a5004ca2459b5@google.com>
Source record: 1970
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Prof. Braun Day 2012 ...

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 09:45 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362118-Prof-Braun-Day-2012&goto=newpost

will be held from 21st September until Sunday 23rd from lightvessel Elbe 1
at Cuxhaven.

Ops Eddi / dk3uz and Juergen / dl8hci will work cw only on hf, mainly 7037
kHz. We remember

to the early radio experitments made by Braun et al from Cuxhaven. Infos
etc

on homepages http://www.doese-apprt.de/mmqtc and /pfbday/index.php

Radio Officer Juergen / dl8hci ++

1804. The ARRL Letter for September 20, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-20 22:28:40 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120920204300.6409326177@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1971
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION: FIND OUT WHAT'S IN STORE AT THE 2012
ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION

On October 12-14, the ARRL will welcome members and friends to the
2012 ARRL National Convention in Santa Clara, California. Hosted by
Pacificon and sponsored by members of the Mount Diablo Amateur Radio
Club, this three-day event is sure to be jam-packed with excitement,
exhibits and, of course, the ever-popular ARRL EXPO. Use this handy
guide to find ARRL-sponsored activities and exhibits throughout the
event. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/find-out-what-s-in-store-at-the-2012-arrl-national-
convention>.

==> + LOOKING AHEAD TO WRC-15

From an Amateur Radio perspective, the 2012 World Radiocommunication
Conference (WRC-12) was very successful. According to IARU Secretary
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Rod Stafford, W6ROD, the IARU Administrative Council will meet in the next 45 days and will address the agenda items for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15) with an eye to building the best strategy for dealing with those items in a way that is most favorable to the Amateur Radio Service. While the IARU will be watching all agenda items in 2015, there is one agenda item that focuses on the Amateur Radio Service, and another four that may have an effect the Amateur Radio Service. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/looking-ahead-to-wrc-15>.

==> + SILENT KEY: SEAN SMITH, KG4WSS, KILLED IN CONSULATE ATTACK

Sean P. Smith, KG4WSS, of Falls Church, Virginia, was killed when the US Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, was attacked on September 11. He was 34. Smith was one of four Americans, including Chris Stevens -- the US Ambassador to Libya -- who was killed in the attack. Smith, a native of San Diego, enlisted in the Air Force in 1995 at age 17. He served six years as a ground radio maintenance specialist, including a deployment to Oman, before leaving the service in 2002 as a staff sergeant. He was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal. Smith, who had worked at the State Department for 10 years, was in Libya on a temporary assignment when he was killed. Prior to his temporary assignment to Benghazi, Smith served for the State Department in Brussels, Baghdad, Pretoria, Montreal and The Hague. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/sean-smith-kg4wss-killed-in-consulate-attack>.

==> + ARDF UPDATE: A BAKER'S DOZEN OF MEDALS FOR ARDF TEAM USA

By ARRL Amateur Radio Direction Finding Coordinator Joe Moell, K0OV

As they packed their suitcases in preparation for the World Championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF), the members of Team USA were eager, but they had no idea that they would return home with 13 medals. Team USA has participated in these biennial championships since 1998, and the most medals they had won any time so far had been two, with no golds. This year, however, would be different; their practice sessions and training camps would make them better prepared than ever.

The sport of ARDF -- also called foxtailing, foxhunting and radio-orienteering -- has undergone many changes since the first World Championships in 1980, but the basics remain unchanged. A championship course has five transmitters in a mapped area of rural and wooded terrain, typically 1000 acres or more. When Fox #1 comes on the air, contestants set out from the start as and try to be the fastest to "punch in" at all required transmitters and then make it to the finish line in another part of the forest. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ardf-update-a-baker-s-dozen-of-medals-for-ardf-team-usa>.

==> FEDERAL EMPLOYEES CAN HELP SUPPORT ARRL THROUGH THE 2012 COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

For the past 11 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL as a participant in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). This campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated almost $192,000 for ARRL programs since it first became an option for federal employees to donate to the League. The CFC provides an easy way to support the ARRL's effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/federal-employees-can-help-support-arrl-through-the-2012-combined-federal-campaign>.

==> + ON THE AIR: LAST MAN STANDING PLANS SPECIAL EVENT STATION

The crew of the hit ABC comedy Last Man Standing <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-ham-radio-in-hollywood-em-amateur-radio-makes-its-debut-on-em-last-man-standing-em>
is planning a radio event on Sunday, October 28 to kick off the show's second season. Last Man Standing features Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KA0XTT. According to Last Man Standing Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, Mike's station is back this year with even more gear. In addition, all the antennas that were in the catwalk last year have been relocated to the studio's roof.

Using special event call sign K6T, the show's crew will operate on HF, VHF, UHF, D-STAR, EchoLink and IRLP to communicate with fans of the show; 12 members of the Last Man Standing crew are licensed amateurs. Members of the Los Angeles-based PAPA System <http://www.papasys.com/> will assist the crew with running the event. The crew will use several PAPA System repeaters to run analog VHF, UHF and D-STAR communications. They will also be monitoring the Disney Amateur Radio Interconnect repeater system, which has repeaters in New York City (W2ABC <http://w2abc.org/index2.php>), Florida (WD4WDW <http://www.wd4wdw.org/> and WD4WDW-B/D-STAR <https://dstargw.wd4wdw.org/>) and California (KB6AJE <http://www.qrz.com/db/wb6aje>), as well as EchoLink capability. A list of frequencies and an operating schedule will be posted on the KA0XTT Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/KA0XTT?ref=ts> and on Amodeo's Twitter feed <https://twitter.com/nn6ja> in the next few weeks. A special QSL card will be sent to all hams who contact K6T; hams do not need to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope, nor do they need to send postage or "green stamps."

Last Man Standing <http://beta.abc.go.com/shows/last-man-standing> begins its second season on Friday, November 2 at 8/7 Central.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "The summer Sun knows me by name <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NaCCG7QkM_c>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers dropped this week, from 83.1 to 56, while the average daily solar flux declined from 118.9 to 101.4. The latest forecast shows the predicted solar flux at 115 on September 20-22, 120 on September 23-25, then 125 and 130 on September 26-27, and rising to

140 on September 28-October 1. On October 2, it drops to 135, 130 on October 3-5, and back down to 125 on October 6-7. The flux values then dip below 100 on October 14-16, and peak again around 140 on October 25-28. The predicted planetary A index is 10 on September 20, 12 on September 21-22, 10 on September 23 and 5 on September 24-28, 10 again on September 29, and 5 on September 30-October 2. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, September 21. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by The Brady Bunch's It's a Sunshine Day <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/It%27s_a_Sunshine_Day>.

==> + DXCC NEWS: ARRL DXCC DESK APPROVES 11 OPERATIONS FOR DXCC CREDIT

On September 19, the ARRL DXCC Desk approved the following 2012 operations for DXCC credit: 3B8/IW5ELA (Mauritius); E40VB (Palestine); JY8VB (Jordan); 9A8VB (Croatia); E7/UA4WHX (Bosnia-Herzegovina); 4O7VB (Montenegro); Z38VB (Macedonia); ZA/UA4WHX (Albania); YU9VB (Serbia); EY8/UA4WHX (Tajikistan), and UN/UA4WHX (Kazakhstan).

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- September 21 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- September 22 -- FOC QSO Party; AGCW VHF/UHF Contest
- September 23 -- BARTG Sprint 75
- September 24 -- QRP Homebrewer Sprint
- September 25 -- 222 MHz Fall Sprint (local time)
- September 26 -- SKCC Sprint
- September 26-27 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- September 29 -- Microwave Fall Sprint (local time)
- September 29-30 -- Texas QSO Party; CQ WW RTTY Contest
- October 2 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- October 3 -- German Telegraphy Contest
- October 3 -- 432 MHz Fall Sprint (local time)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 22 -- ARRL Washington State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/washington-state-convention-36th-annual-spokane-hamfest>,

Spokane Valley, Washington
- September 22-23 -- ARRL Illinois State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/illinois-state-convention-peoria-superfest-2012
>,
Peoria, Illinois
- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 7 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-nutmeg-hamfest>,
Meriden, Connecticut
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,
Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi

- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests>.

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1805. eHam.net News for Thursday 20 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-20 22:47:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc5bb698feb04ca29e60f@google.com>
Source record: 1972
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:38 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29002

This Week in Radiosport:

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Find Out What's in Store at the 2012 ARRL National Convention:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:38 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29001

On October 12-14, the ARRL will welcome members and friends to the 2012 ARRL National Convention in Santa Clara, California. Hosted by Pacificon and sponsored by members of the Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club, this three-day event is sure to be jam-packed with excitement, exhibits and, of course, the ever-popular ARRL EXPO. Use this handy guide to find ARRL-sponsored activities and exhibits throughout the event.

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Looking Ahead to WRC-15:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:36 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29000

From an Amateur Radio perspective, the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) was very successful. According to IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, the IARU Administrative Council will meet in the next 45 days and will address the agenda items for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15) with an eye to building the best strategy for dealing with those items in a way that is most favorable to the Amateur Radio Service.

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Sean Smith, KG4WSS, Killed in Consulate Attack:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:35 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28999

Sean P. Smith, KG4WSS, of Falls Church, Virginia, was killed when the US Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, was attacked on September 11. He was 34. Smith was one of four Americans, including Chris Stevens -- the

US Ambassador to Libya -- who was killed in the attack.

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A Baker's Dozen of Medals for ARD Team USA:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:34 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28998

As they packed their suitcases in preparation for the World Championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF), the members of Team USA were eager, but they had no idea that they would return home with 13 medals. Team USA has participated in these biennial championships since 1998, and the most medals they had won any time so far had been two, with no golds. This year, however, would be different; their practice sessions and training camps would make them better prepared than ever.

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Federal Employees Support ARRL Through the 2012 Combined Federal Campaign:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:38 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28997

For the past 11 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL as a participant in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). This campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated almost $192,000 for ARRL programs since it first became an option for federal employees to donate to the League. The CFC provides an easy way to support the ARRL's effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs.

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Last Man Standing Plans Special Event Station:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:36 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28996

The crew of the hit ABC comedy Last Man Standing is planning a radio event on Sunday, October 28 to kick off the show's second season. Last Man Standing features Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KA0XTT. According to Last Man Standing Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, Mike's station is back this year with even more gear. In addition, all the antennas that were in the catwalk last year have been relocated to the studio's roof.

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ARRL DXCC Desk Approves 11 Operations for DXCC Credit:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:35 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28995

On September 19, the ARRL DXCC Desk approved the following 2012 operations for DXCC credit:

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Morse Code Chat Rooms Now Open:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 08:34 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/28994

Internet chat rooms devoted to Morse code are now in use at www.cq2k.com! This complimentary service from the people at Code Quick allows user choice of speeds, and a choice of text and CW or just CW. QRM rooms, as they are called, should give everyone a great way to practice and sharpen their ability to copy or work the World when the bands are dead.

1806. Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 01:23:12 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-EB6F76.21231220092012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 1973

The majority of hams who got their licenses prior to the introduction of the no-code technician license are now dead. In the not too distant future, Morse code will exist only in historical reenactments in which old geezers in period costume show small children how to make beeping sounds with nothing more than a wood-burning, steam-powered code key.

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Klystron

1807. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 01:51:32 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <4qtsi9-lc8.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 1974

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> The majority of hams who got their licenses prior to the introduction
> of the no-code technician license are now dead.

Nope.

If they got their license the same year code was eliminated for technician
and were 16 at the time, they would now be 37.

Given the current life expectancy you've got about 50 years to go on that.

> In the not too distant
> future, Morse code will exist only in historical reenactments in which
> old geezers in period costume show small children how to make beeping
> sounds with nothing more than a wood-burning, steam-powered code key.
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Funny thing is now that the requirement is gone, there is a resurgance
in interest in the code, especially among the younger crowd.

It appears that absent it being forced on people, many people are finding
it a fun thing to do.

1808. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 20 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 02:27:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd8bfa0714104ca2cfbac@google.com>
Source record: 1975
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Association of the Southern Tier, Inc. to host amateur
radio ... - Corning Leader

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 10:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEpNWqv3xojUaIQLd8HZgjfpU_Pvg&url=http://www.the-leader.com/events/x1505345078/Amateur-Radio-Association-of-the-Southern-Tier-Inc-to-host-amateur-radio-class-beginning-Oct-3

Amateur Radio Association of the Southern Tier, Inc. to host amateur
radio ...
Corning Leader
Amateur Radio Association of the Southern Tier, Inc. (ARAST) is hosting an
amateur radio class from 7 to 9 p.m. beginning Oct. 3 at the American Red
Cross, 911 Stowell St., Elmira. The class will run for 9 weeks. The course
will provide students with ...

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Last Man Standing Plans Special Event Station: - eHam.net

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 03:38 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGY9jb0VTCibtnrcx-EKtnjOL1qoQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28996

Last Man Standing Plans Special Event Station:
eHam.net
The crew of the hit ABC comedy Last Man Standing
http://www.arrl.org/news/em-ham-radio-in-hollywood-em-amateur-radio-makes-its-debut-on-em-last-man-standing-em
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second season.

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A Baker's Dozen of Medals for ARD Team USA: - eHam.net

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 03:38 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEG9UK39Id3Sc64-MkvgVWtWNCD8Q&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/28998

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Team USA has participated in ...

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DCAR Club Meeting - Douglas County Herald

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 09:20 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4RYD6mBgcpxjor6O6luFMUzstLg&url=http://douglascountyherald.com/?p%3D28493

DCAR Club Meeting
Douglas County Herald
We also discussed ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Services) which we have over 10 members who are trained and ready to help in an event or disaster. ... Come and visit with ham radio operators from Douglas, Wright, Webster and Ozark Counties.

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Ham radio license class offered - Thousand Oaks Acorn

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 07:34 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFddwvJeUCPw-r3ouoeODI2SeKYGA&url=http://www.toacorn.com/news/2012-09-20/Community/Ham_radio_license_class_offered.html

Ham radio license class offered
Thousand Oaks Acorn
The Conejo Valley Amatuer Radio Club will host an eight-week class for anyone interested in obtaining a technician radio license from 7 to 9 p.m. starting Fri., Sept. 21 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3645 N. Moorpark Road ...

and more

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 12:27 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGVigeEMQGrPIIde5QSWs2gXDLsiQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/wca_2009.htm

Amateur Radio World Castles Award
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio World Castles Award. Hello All! • 22/09/2012 - International WCA pedition 4J0SFR from Mardakan Round Tower! - The members of "SAFARI" DX-activators Club, inc. Natig 4J5T, Boris 4K4K, Igor 4K6OF and Yasuhiko JR0HYT will be active on ...

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Jock Soutar: Radio man - Desert Dispatch

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 09:35 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFDxLIpYQFkb1OzP6-pj3I1nYP65Q&url=http://www.desertdispatch.com/news/jock-13532-soutar-radio.html

Jock Soutar: Radio man
Desert Dispatch
Since then I have increased my activities with amateur or ham radio. I am the current President of the Barstow Amateur Radio Club and we participate in many events either using our communications expertise for various civic and radio associated events.

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Ham Radio in Cyclone Risk Management Project - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 11:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFYxCf-eDeyKpSMHxbss1N0FwypBA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/ham_radio_in_cyclone_risk_management_project.htm

Ham Radio in Cyclone Risk Management Project
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
... bridges and 148 multi-purpose cyclone shelters in the nine coastal districts. We will also start emergency operation centres in the state capital as well as district headquarters and equip them with the latest satellite phones and HAM radio sets ...

1809. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 03:35:46 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-B2DC48.23354620092012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 1976

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > The majority of hams who got their licenses prior to the introduction
> > of the no-code technician license are now dead.
>
> Nope.
>
> If they got their license the same year code was eliminated for technician
> and were 16 at the time, they would now be 37.

Ham radio appeals to an older demographic. The AVERAGE ham is
probably 50+, although there is little hard data on that point. Still,
the advertising department of the Geritol company believes that ham
radio contests are a good place to spend advertising dollars. Why do you
suppose they think that?

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> > sounds with nothing more than a wood-burning, steam-powered code key.
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> Funny thing is now that the requirement is gone, there is a resurgance
> in interest in the code, especially among the younger crowd.
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> It appears that absent it being forced on people, many people are finding
> it a fun thing to do.

How many people make up a "resurgence"? How many people are "many"?
Morse code related products appear to be disappearing from catalogs and
web sites.

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Klystron

1810. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 05:10:00 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <8e9ti9-mh9.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 1977

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
>
>> > The majority of hams who got their licenses prior to the introduction
>> > of the no-code technician license are now dead.
>>
>> Nope.
>>
>> If they got their license the same year code was eliminated for technician
>> and were 16 at the time, they would now be 37.
>
>
> Ham radio appeals to an older demographic.

Ummm, no.

Though the older demographic has the time and money to persue it.

> The AVERAGE ham is
> probably 50+,

Well, given that the average age of all Americans is about 40 and there
are few people younger than the teens that get licensed, that is not
surprising.

> although there is little hard data on that point. Still,
> the advertising department of the Geritol company believes that ham
> radio contests are a good place to spend advertising dollars. Why do you
> suppose they think that?

There is no such thing as "the Geritol company", troll.

1811. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 259

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 06:12:05 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <F8257D2CF5D2423595E4707A5A86439D@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 1978
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 259

21 September 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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· Marlborough Branch 22, 80th Celebrations

· Update on ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island

Debby says…The end of another week and we are getting ever closer to Christmas. This brings me to several reminders…

Branches should now be considering any remits they may wish to send in for consideration by Council and next year's AGM in Masterton.

Also anyone who is considering standing for a position on Council or President should be making it known within their branch. The call for nominations by the Returning Officer will be included in the October issue of Break In.

Subscriptions are due by 31 December 2012. However if you wish to take advantage of the $10 rebate, please ensure I receive your payment by the end of November, this year.

Finally any items of interest or up-coming events that you want advertised to a wider network, please let me know, so I can include it in HQ Info-line. Cut off dates for receipts of articles can be found at the end of each issue.

Talk soon…ZL2DL

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NZART Conference 2013

Wairarapa Branch 46 are looking for ideas for forums for Conference 2013 and for people to deliver the same, we are open to any and all ideas.

Contact Neil zl2un@xtra.co.nz

Also please check into nzartconference2013.co.nz to keep up to date.

Neil Richardson ZL2UN

5 Kitchener Street

Masterton

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FMTAG NOTES

Proposals

None this time.

Final Recommendation to NZART Council

Branch 39 Tauranga has applied to change the frequency of its 885 Repeater at Papamoa, located at TOPO50 BD37 894.73 184.87. The proposed repeater transmit frequency is 433.025 MHz and the proposed receive frequency is 438.025 MHz.

NZART Council Approval

NZART Council, at its September meeting, approved the following Final Recommendations, published as Proposals in HQ InfoLine 257:

Branch 34 South Canterbury 144.575 MHz Digipeater at Mount Studholme, located at TOPO50 CA18 352.25 531.31.

Branch 63 Upper Hutt 6-metre Repeater at Mount Climie, located at TOPO50 BP32 798.83 423.94. The repeater transmit frequency will be 53.950 MHz and the receive frequency 52.950 MHz.

Comments & Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

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FROM THE VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST COMMITTEE

The Nest Contest

The next contest is the Microwave Contest, 921 MHz and up, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of October 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the Field Day Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The Contest Rules are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

Or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

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Marlborough ARC 80th Anniversary

The Marlborough Amateur Radio Club celebrates its 80th Anniversary this year. We are celebrating the event with a buffet dinner on Saturday, 3rd November at the Marlborough Club, Russell Street, Blenheim.
We will meet for pre-dinner drinks at 5.30pm followed by the dinner at 6pm.
Guests can stay till midnight if they wish as the bar will be open.
The meal is being subsidised by our club and therefore is offered at $20 pp.
Partners are welcome.

RSVP by 12th October would be appreciated, accompanied by the finance.
b.cousins@xtra.co.nz or 03-579-3121 or MARC, P.O. Box 432, Blenheim.

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ZL9HR DX’Pedition to Campbell Island

MONSTER ANTENNA! - The HARAOA president and DX'Pedition leader Tommy VK2IR has just finished construction of a 40metre, 2 element Moxon antenna – yes that's right a two element 40 metre beam is gong on the ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island (IOTA OC-037) for the activation between November 28th. and

December 9th. The element length is 15 ½ metres long! To see the construction of this monster simply search for ZL9HR on Youtube.

The fitting out of the four shipping containers to take all the equipment has also been finished and they are being packed. All of this is on schedule to be ready to be shipped out of Sydney in just a few days around the 15th of September.

The team are also delighted to have received several more sponsors, both commercial, associations and clubs and individuals – all of which are listed on the web site at ZL9HR.com. Again a great vote of thanks to all of the sponsors without whom this DX'Pedition could not take place.

So where will ZL9HR operate? On which bands and which modes? While the aim is to operate on as many bands as possible and try to give as many amateurs as possible the chance to work this rare DX location, your vote on the website will affect some of the plans – so if you haven't already done so, please go and vote for your preferred mode and band by going to ZL9HR.com and clicking on the survey button at the top of the home page. Presently 10m is by far the most requested band followed by 160m, as for modes CW leads Digital followed by Sideband.

The ZL9HR “Logistics team” are very pleased to announce that the packed equipment crates have left the DX’Pedition’s Sydney base heading south to New Zealand, on schedule and in plenty of time to progress through the required quarantine formalities with the authorities on the New Zealand mainland before the final leg of the trip by sea with the operations team down to Campbell Island in the great southern ocean for the activation between November 28th. And December 9th.

Please refer to the web site ZL9HR.COM for the full, up to date, information about this major DX’Pedition to the Great Southern Ocean.

73 from Ed VK2ARE Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

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HISTORIC DAY IN THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO

The following is from the Z60K team in Prishtina, Kosovo.

It was 23 years ago that most radio amateurs went off the air in Kosovo. A long period of silence came to an end when eleven Amateur Radio licenses were issued today, valid for an immediate activation of this fledgling sovereign republic. When they suddenly come on the air, the first steps of the licensees are obviously difficult as world demand runs high. Great patience is required as you hear the following reborn hams entering the world of Amateur Radio starting today:

Sabit Zymberi, Z61AA; Durmishali Smani, Z61DD; Feti Fazli, Z61FF; Arif Derbati, Z61AB; Avni Jashari, Z61AJ; Vjollca Belegu, Z61VB; Mustafa Xhoni, Z61LA; Agim Sadiku, Z61AS; Agron Sadiku, Z61XO; Driton Sadiku, Z61DX; Naim Sadiku, Z61NS.

The official opening ceremony took place at 1900 hours local time, with all parties present. First QSOs were with G3BJ, G3UML with Sabit, Z61DS and Driton, Z61DX at the controls.

Additionally, the newly born Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo (SHRAK) was

allocated the callsign Z60K today and that callsign will be used for training purposes as well as for celebrating this wonderful event.

Today, an all-day seminar was held with Government representatives, a majority of Kosovo's Amateur Radio population (with an estimated up to twenty to become active immediately) as well as with Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) officials and foreign delegation members present. Part of the event was televised on the Prishtina TV network.

It was a memorable event for those coming back from a 23-year hiatus and for

the hams present.

The foreign lecturers welcomed the new group and represented five (5) supporting countries; Hans, PB2T; Nikola, 9A5W; Nigel, G3TXF; Bob, N2BB and Martti, OH2BH.

The mission is to support these new hams and bring them on the air.

Please kindly welcome them to the ranks of Amateur Radio.

QSL for Z60K via G3TXF

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1832 - September 21 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1832 with a release date of September 21 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Political wrangling over making spectrum available to expand broadband could impact on ham radio in years to come; the South African Radio League backs the Radio Society of Great Britain in is stand on in-home B-P-L; a bunch of new cubesats reach orbit; a dozen operations approved for DXCC and the upcoming Last Man Standing on-air celebration gets the special event callsign K6T. Find out how to make contact with the sound stage on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1832 coming your way right now.

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RADIO POLITICS: HOUSE MAJORITY REPORTEDLY WANTS SPECTRUM CLEARING RATHER THAN SHARING

According to news reports, the majority control in the United States House of Representatives favors clearing federal spectrum for commercial use instead of seeking sharing arrangements. This, according to the majority staff memo circulated for a House of Representatives hearing prior to a meeting held recently in Washington D.C.. And there is a chance that any decisions could impact on future access to the highest Ultra High Frequency and Super High Frequency bands used by ham radio. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Carlson, KQ6FM, takes a look at what's transpiring in the national capital:

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On September 13th, House members of the Communications and Technology subcommittee were to discuss the subject of Creating Opportunities through Improved Government Spectrum Efficiency. But in rejecting a report from the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, the memo said that sharing spectrum in the way it envisions is less useful than clearing spectrum and too untested to be the focus of the subcommittee's spectrum strategy.

The memo went on to say that such sharing should be reserved for cases in which federal clearing is impossible. However the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology and the National

Telecommunications and Information Administration both endorse public-private spectrum sharing. They also claim that clearing the spectrum would cost more than $18 billion and 10 years to clear the targeted airwaves.

But the staff memo claims that this figure was inflated and unconfirmed by independent analysis. Instead it calls the figure merely aggregated the estimates of the federal agencies currently using the spectrum. The memo claims that the NTIA and the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology never fully investigated the agencies' relocation estimates. Nor has it determined whether the agencies need all the spectrum they have, or whether they could get by with less if they had more efficient equipment or relied more on commercial services.

At this moment its not known exactly what spectrum would be impacted if a non-sharing plan is eventually passed. That said, it could impact negatively on amateur radio if the reallocated spectrum was that shared between Part 97 users and government agencies as quite a bit of the U-H-F and higher bands are today. And while am eventual compromise between the two factions is most likely, this is yet another matter that the nations ham radio community will have to watch closely in the days, weeks and months ahead.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Carlson, KQ6FM, in Reno.

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For its part, the President's Council's proposed a sharing arrangement is similar to unlicensed devices in the broadcast bands, which use a dynamic database to check for open frequencies. However the majority House staff appears to have rejected that approach. (Adapted from TV Technology)

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RADIO POLITICS: SARL SAYS IT SUPPORTS RSGB STAND ON BPL/PLT

Over on the other side of the world, the South African Radio League says that it supports the Radio Society of Great Britain's concerns over Access Broadband over Powerline also known as Powerline Technology. These are the internet access ports carried on unshielded in-home and powerline to home wiring.

As reported last week, the RSGB had written an official letter to the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Electromagnetic Compatibility Working Group. In it the U-K national ham radio society asked that the Working Group reconsider its policy on the draft European Broadband over Power Line standard. One that the RSGB claims to threaten a 38dB increase in RF pollution over much of the short wave radio spectrum.

Now, in its own public statement, the South African Radio League days that it fully supports the RSGB's views. It says that any relaxation in emission levels can have far reaching negative effects which ultimately may impact on South Africa as well. (SARL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW CUBESATS NOW ON-ORBIT

What might best be called a flotilla of new cubesats operating in the ham radio bands are now on-orbit. Amateur Radio Newsline's George Bowen, W2XBS, has the details:

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The long awaited launch of a number of new ham radio cubesats has finally taken place. The group of tiny birds winged their way to Earth orbit on September 13th on board a The Atlas 5 launch vehicle from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California.

The launch carried a satellite for the National Reconnaissance Office. Also aboard this flight at four cubesats as part of NASA's Educational Launch of Nanosatellites mission and seven cubesats for government use. The non government mini-birds include the Cubesat for Ion, Neutral, Electron, Magnetic fields that downlinks its science telemetry is in 2200 to 2300 MHz range.

Also now on-orbit is the Colorado Student Space Weather Experiment that can be heard on 437.345 MHz transmitting 9k6 modulation in AX.25 protocol. Another is CP5 also known as PolySat with its downlink at 437.405 MHz at 1 watt, AFSK on Lower Sideband in AX.25 protocol. Rounding out the set is XBN which is a Cosmic X-Ray Background Nanosatellite with its downlink 437.525 MHz running G-F-S-K also in AX.25 protocol.

Several hours after launch Justin Foley, KI6EPH, announced via the Cubesat Internet Rely Channel that all of the microsats had been successfully deployed. A detailed article of the launch can be found on-line at tinyurl.com/microsats-to-orbit.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm George Bowen, W2XBS, monitoring the sky at the North East Bureau in Albany New York.

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A detailed article on the payloads of this mission and the reason for the launch delays can be found on-line at tinyurl.com/multi-microsat-launch. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FIVE CUBSATS TO GO ON-ORBIT FROM ISS

The long awaited deployment of five CubeSats from the International Space Station will take place on Thursday, September 27. Four of the micro sized birds carry amateur radio payloads. These are identified

as F-1, FITSAT-1, WE-WISH and TechEdSat. More about this microsat project is on- line at tinyurl.com/iss-micro-birds. (AMSAT-UK)

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AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: THREE HAMS RETURN TO EARTH

Three astronauts hams have returned safely to Earth after completing a four month mission aboard the International Space Station. The Expedition 32 crew made up of American Flight Engineer Joe Acaba, KE5DAR with Russian Commander Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, and Flight Engineer Sergei Revin, RN3BS, undocked their Soyuz TMA-04M spacecraft from the orbiting space lab at 7:09 p.m. EDT. They landed in northern Kazakhstan at 10:53 p.m. EDT Sunday night.

The homeward bound Soyuz fired its orbital engines one last time at 9:56 p.m. The descent module then separated from the spacecraft and fell through the atmosphere. It then deployed its parachutes and fired landing engines shortly before touchdown to soften the impact.

The successful landing wraps up a mission that began on May 17 with the Expedition 32 crew spending 125 days in space. (ARRL, Southgate, others)

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DXCC NEWS: ARRL APPROVES A DOZEN OPERATIONS FOR DXCC

A busy day at the ARRL's DXCC Desk with word that an even dozen operations have been approved for DXCC credit. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the list:

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According to Bill Moore, NC1L at the ARRL Awards Desk, the following 2012 operations have been approved for DXCC credit. In no particular order they are the 3B8 stroke IW5ELA operation from Mauritius Island; E40VB from Palestine; JY8VB from Jordan; 9A8VB from Croatia; E7 stroke UA4WHX from Bosnia-Herzegovina; 4O7VB from Montenegro; Z38VB from Macedonia; ZA stroke UA4WHX from Albania; YU9VB from Serbia, EY8 stroke UA4WHX from Tajikistan and the UN stroke UA4WHX operation from Kazakhstan.

And that's quite a list.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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If you missed any of that you can find the entire list in this week's printed Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARRL DXCC Desk)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WB0QXW repeater serving St. Louis Missouri.

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BREAKING DX NEWS: N8HS SWAINS ISLAND OPERATION GOES QRT EARLY

The NH8S team on Swains Island is now QRT and is reported to be in the process of tearing down their camp. This, for a possible early departure.

Sanford Houston, K5YY, who is the DXpedition's Pilot Station. He says that the decision to go silent before the announced September 18th end of operations date was due to several factors. This included bad weather conditions, antennas that had come down, a number of operators that had fallen ill with some wounds requiring medical care.

During its stay on Swains the NH8S team has made a total of 105,455 QSOs with 26,010 Unique callsigns. Of these 43,126 were on SSB, 54,128 on CW and 8,201 made using RTTY.

Direct QSLs can be mailed to the Swains Island DXpedition, P.O. Box 5005, Lake Wylie, South Carolina. 29710, in the USA. Bureau QSLs go to AA4NN.

More information on this operation is on-line at http://nh8s.org And we will have more DX related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (OPDX)

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RADIO CRIME: HAM RADIO EMCOMM REPEATER VANDALIZED

Steven Tidwell, KF5NDG, reports to Amateur Radio Newsline on a recent case where a repeater used for Skywarn and other ham radio emergency communications was criminally damaged. The only good news us that it appears the perpetrators have been caught. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK has the details:

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It all happened a few weeks ago at about 4:15 a.m. local time on August 20th. That's when the 147.12 MHz hub of the W5RHS linked repeater system in Benton, Arkansas, was taken off the air by an act of vandalism.

The repeater site is located on a water tower that sits behind a fence and locked gate. The suspects managed to break in to the site, and cut the hard-line going to the repeater and the link antennas. They also cut the coax going to the Water Association radio system. The latter is the commercial radio system communicates between the plant and the

water tower.

According to KF5NDG the system owner is Kelly Hesters, whose call is W5RHS. He reportedly noticed that his repeater was off the air when he was leaving work about 7 AM. He made a stop at the repeater site and noticed a Toyota pickup truck outside the gate. He then went inside he found the damage.

The next day when he went back to see what parts and supplies he needed to get the repeater back on the air he found a key that the suspects dropped on the ground. He contacted the Saline County Sheriffs office which determined that the key belonged to the vehicle. As a result of some detective work by the local authorities the suspects in the break-in have been arrested.

Meantime W5RHS is waiting on the delivery of some new hard-line to get the repeater back on the air.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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By way of reference, the W5RHS repeater is the main hub for a multi-linked repeater system in Arkansas. This repeater system is also very involved in Skywarn operations as well as carrying NOAA weather radio alerts. (KF5NDG)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $15000 NAL TO UNLICENSED MIAMI BROADCASTER

The FCC has affirmed a $15000 monetary forfeiture previously issued to Jeffrey Darius. This for his alleged operation an unlicensed transmitter in the Miami, Florida area.

Back on March 6th the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Darius after tracing an unlicensed broadcast operation on 88.7 MHz to him. To date, Darius had not filed a response to the proposed fine. As a result the forfeiture has been affirmed.

As is the custom, Darius was given the usual 30 days from the September 14th release date of the order to pay or file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO BUSINESS: ICOM AMERICA ANNOUNCES NEW SUBSIDIARY IN BRAZIL

Icom America has announced the establishment of Icom Brazil. This as a subsidiary with headquarters located in Belo Horizonte which is the capital city of Minas Gerais state.

The creation of the new subsidiary will allow the radio manufacturer to solidify its brand visibility in an emerging South American market.

According to the Central Intelligence Agency's "World Factbook" publication, Brazil became the world's seventh largest economy in terms of gross domestic product in 2011.

The initial objective of Icom Brazil will focus on the public safety industry with Brazil's government. The new subsidiary will also help existing distributors expand their dealer networks nationwide. (Icom, Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: BECKY SCHOENFELD, W1BXY, NAMED QST MANAGING EDITOR

The ARRL has announced that Book Editor Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY, has been promoted to QST Managing Editor. A Connecticut native, Schoenfeld has more than two decades of publishing experience.

Prior to her employment at ARRL Headquarters, Schoenfeld served as Senior Editor at Teaching Kindergarten through 8th grade magazine and Senior Project Editor for textbook publisher Macmillan/McGraw-Hill. She is also the founder of Amaranth magazine which is a highly successful poetry journal.

W1BXY holds a Masters of Fine Arts from Emerson College and a Bachelor of Arts from Fairfield University. Her Amateur Radio activities include chasing grid squares in pursuit of her 6 meter VUCC award and DX hunting on 10 meters.

Schoenfeld replaces the position formerly held by Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, who died tragically in a house fire several weeks ago. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: AMSAT 2012 BOD ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED

Tom Clark, K3IO, Lou McFadin, W5DID, and Gould Smith, WA4SXM, will serve on the AMSAT North America Board of Directors for the next two years. The first alternate is Mark Hammond, N8MH and the second alternate is Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK. In all some 700 AMSAT North America members cast ballots in this year's election. (AMSAT)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HUNTSVILLE ARC TO ACTIVATE THREE LIGHTHOUSES

The Huntsville Alabama Amateur Radio Club says that it will be activating three light houses in Mobile Bay for Alabama Lighthouse Weekend. The event takes place beginning at 1800 Central Time on October 5th and runs through 1800 Central on the 7th. During that period the club will be on the air as N4L from the Sand Island lighthouse near the entrance to Mobile Bay, W4L which is the Mobile Point lighthouse at Fort Morgan , and K4L at the MidBay lighthouse in Mobile Bay. Operations will be on the High Frequency bands. For more information please contact the event organizer Warren Alford by e-mail

to KJ4RAQ (at) comcast (dot) net. (HARC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS UPDATE: W5KUB TO WEBCAST MFJ 40TH ANNIVERSARY

The 40th anniversary hamfest gathering of MFJ Enterprises will be streamed live to the Internet thanks to Tom Medlin, W5KUB. The event takes place October 5th and 6th from the grounds of the company's production complex in Starkville Mississippi. As reported last week, there will be all sorts of fun activities and now those hams unable to travel to the gathering will be able to enjoy it vicariously thanks to Tom and his highly skilled video production crew. As in past webcasts Tom will be offering prizes to some of those who tune in. Updated information will be posted to Tom's Facebook webpage at facebook.com/groups/w5kub/. The on-line address to enjoy all of what looks to be a fun gathering at MFJ is simply w5kub.com. (W5KUB)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: PACIFICON TO FEATURE NEW MEDIA AND SOCIAL NETWORKING

And an update on plans for the joint Pacificon and ARRL 2012 National Convention. A major theme this year is New Media and Social Networking. And to emphasize its importance the Mount Diablo Amateur Radio Club and Pacificon have teamed up to host "Night of the New Media Elmers" with well-known amateur radio podcasters.

At airtime, speakers scheduled to appear include Jerry Taylor, KD0BIK, Randy Hall, K7AGE, Chris Matthieu, N7ICE, and Ham Nation co-host Gordon West, WB6NOA.

Jim Siemons, AF6PU, is the event's co-General Chairman. He says that forums and seminars are the very heart and soul of Pacificon:

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AF6PU: "Pacificon specifically is a forum driven event and we have fantastic speakers from all over the country. We've had Nobel Laureates and astronauts and all sorts of folks come out and talk about whatever you are into in amateur radio we are going to have something for you."

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The New Media and Social Networking gathering takes place at 7 P.M. on Friday night, October 12th. The location is in the Sedona Ballroom of the Satern Conference Center at the Mariott Hotel and Convention Center in Santa Clara, California.

Pacificon has also created a Facebook page where you can post photos, videos, comments, and get up-to-date announcements about what's happening at the convention. To join it sign onto Facebook and then go to facebook.com/Pacificon2012 and click "Like" to join the page.

(MDARC, Pacificon)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: ULTRA HIGH DEFINITION TV SYSTEM EXPECTS ITU APPROVAL

The next generation of super high definition television may soon be on its way as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW:

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Ultra High Definition Television also known under the acronym Super Hi-Vision, will likely be approved by the International Telecommunication Union as the next generation universal global television standard.

Developed by public broadcaster NHK at its Science and Technical Research Laboratories, Ultra High Definition Television is a system that delivers 16 times the resolution of current high definition images. The new format can deliver images with 33 million pixels through 7,680 horizontal lines and 4,320 vertical lines. It also boasts a video refresh rate of 120 frames per second, as well as 22.2 channel multi-dimensional sound.

The system is collaboration between NHK along with electronics manufacturers Panasonic and Sharp.

>From Charleston West Virginia, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, reporting.

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Test broadcasts are scheduled to begin in Japan by 2020. (Published News Reports)

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RADIOSPORTS: CALIFORNIA AND PENNSYLVANIA QSO PARTIES COMING

Two of the nations most popular radiosporting events are looming on the near horizon. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, is here with the details:

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The first weekend of October, it's the granddaddy of all state QSO parties - the California QSO Party. It's sponsored by the Northern California Contest Club.

The action starts on Saturday, Oct. 6 and wraps up Sunday, Oct. 7.

The following weekend, Saturday, Oct. 13 and Sunday, Oct. 14, it's the Pennsylvania QSO sponsored by the Nittany Amateur Radio Club in State College, PA.

It's promoted as the "Friendly QSO Party."

Let's start right up front here.

You don't have to be a contester to take part in either of these events.

In fact, most of the operators competing in either of the parties like to hear from the many casual operators who might turn on their radios during the weekend, hear some activity, and tune up and down the HF bands offering a simple contact and, perhaps, a much needed multiplier.

So, you're just as valuable, sometimes even more valuable, than you might think.

Don't be afraid. Squeeze the mic or touch the CW paddles or the key and give a fellow ham a hand.

California's party features activity from all 58 counties in the Golden State and has special competitions for Y-Ls, youth operators, first-time contesters and even school clubs.

Club competitions are highly encouraged, so if you decide to jump in, put the name of your radio club into the entry form.

The California Party gives away a host of plaques for various operating categories, offers unique T-shirts to those who are interested, and even awards special prizes for the top 20 California and top 20 non-California single operator stations. See their website for more on that.

The following weekend, the bands get active again as operators fan out across Pennsylvania's 67 counties for a great operating event.

It's one of the few competitions where lots of non-contesters get together with friends to set up Field Day- style stations to activate some of the rare Pennsylvania counties.

There's lots of buzz in the months before the party on a reflector operated by the party organizers.

And, there are plaques and certificates awarded to contestants both within Pennsylvania and across the country. Even DX stations are recognized.

First-timers also are welcome in the PA Party. And, there are T-shirts for those who to get one.

So, is your station ready?

If you're a contester, maybe you consider each of the parties a warm-up for the fall contest competition.

If you're not a contester, get on anyway. Pick up a few counties in Pennsylvania or California, maybe a few unique call signs if you're a prefix hunter.

The bottom line: Have some fun.

We'll see you on the air!

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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More on the California QSO Party is on line at tinyurl.com/cal-qso-party. The website for the Pennsylvania QSO Party is simply tinyurl.com/pa-qso-party. We say good luck in both contests.

(NT3V)

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Radiosports: ARRL 2011 EME CERTIFICATES IN THE MAIL

Sean Kutzko, KX9X, who is the ARRL's Contest Branch Manager says that Certificates for the Leagues 2011 E-M-E Contest were mailed out on September 18th. Winners should see them begin to arrive shortly. Awards processing for ARRL contests can be tracked at arrl.org/plaques-and-certificates. (ARRL)

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ON THE AIR: GB1LM CELEBRATES UL LIVERPOOL MARATHON

On the air, listen out for GB1LM which is the special event call sign for the United Kingdom's famed Liverpool Marathon. The station will be active on the High Frequency bands through October 14th. For QSL information please check GB1LM on QRZ.com. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, The Republic of South Sudan has issued its first amateur radio license. The call Z81A went to Jim Pratt who holds the United States call letters of K7QI. The second license issued was Z81D. It went to Diya Al Sadi, YI1DZ. Both are reportedly now on the air.

Also new, on September 17th, shortly after 1700 U-T-C, a combined group of international and local operators started operating as Z-6-zero-K

from near Pristina, Kosovo on both 20 and 17 meter SSB. Operators included 9A9A, MD0CCE, OH2BH and OH2TA. Local television recorded the historic moment live on air. QSL via G3TXF.

And word that the Martello Tower Group will be activating the Island of Herm which from October 4th to the 8th. Operations will be on 80 through 10 meter SSB and RTTY. QSL via G6NHU.

Lastly ON6KE will be active as 9H3AK from Gozo Island through September 28th. His activity will be holiday style on 40, 30 and 20 meters operating about 5 watts QRP on CW only. QSL only electronically via Logbook of the World or eQSL. No printed cards will be available for this operation.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: LAST MAN STANDING GETS SPECIAL EVENT CALL K6T

And finally this week, word from Last Man Standing Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, that the callsign K6T has been approved for use for the shows special event operation to be held on Sunday, October 28th. NN6JA says that K6T will take to the air at approximately 9 a.m. Pacific with exact bands and frequencies to be announced as the date gets closer. And according to Amodeo, he wants this to be a fun event that everyone can share in:

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NN6JA: "We at the show are so excited about ham radio and we have so much incredibly cool amateur radio here; not to mention some 12 licensed amateur radio operators on the staff; that we decided why not share our good fortune with hams out around America and our ham (radio) fans in particular and get on the air and talk directly to our ham (radio) fans through all of our great gear.

"So we took a few minutes, put all of our antennas on the roof so we could improve our range; tuned everything up; and we are ready to go.

"So we are hoping everybody from around the country will take a few minutes away from contesting, because that is a big contest afternoon, and come on over (to where we are operating) and call us up."

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NN6JA says that the current plan is to operate on the High Frequency, VHF and UHF bands as well as D-STAR, Echolink and IRLP. This should make it possible for hams anywhere to make contact with K6T.

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NN6JA: "We are going to provide a large number of paths for people to get in so we kind of feel that everyone in the country should be able to find some path to get to our stage (ham radio operation) to talk to

our crew and the PAPA members who are helping us out."

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According to Amodeo, members of the LA based PAPA System will assist the licensed operators who are part of the shows the crew in running the event. They will use several PAPA System repeaters to run its local and linked communications. The operators will also be monitoring other linked repeater systems from around the country as well.

As the day approaches further information will be posted on Facebook at www.facebook.com/KA0XTT. Amodeo also says to monitor @nn6ja on Twitter for the fastest updates.

Last Man Standing stars actor and comedian Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KA0XTT. The show airs on ABC.

(NN6JA, ARNewsline(tm))

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With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, Pacificon, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, near Houston, Texas, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1813. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 21 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 11:05:59 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f234cf5d3cfa004ca3438d4@google.com>
Source record: 1980
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Hit TV show plans special event station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ov3QBfxMYXg/last_man_standing_plans_special_event_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The crew of the hit ABC comedy Last Man Standing is planning a radio event
on Sunday, October 28 to kick off the show’s second season

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ZL9HR equipment shipped

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/R1llHOAqWCI/zl9hr_equipment_shipped.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ZL9HR 'Logistics Team' are very pleased to announce that the packed
equipment crates have left the DXpedition's Sydney base heading south to
New Zealand, en-route to Campbell Island

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My10Mg Dxers Outing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z9ip9nGRR7Y/my10mg_dxers_outing.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

MY10Mg DXers Outing by Malaysia 10 Meter Group [MY10Mg] will activate Dxing
activity Sep 22-23, 2012 from Sungai Perlak Dam in Selangor State, near to
Kuala Lumpur

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SEARG gets IVETA invitation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/T5a6onIsLwQ/searg_gets_iveta_invitation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group (SEARG) have been invited by IVETA
(Irish Vintage Engine and Tractor Association) to take part in the National
IVETA Indoor Show which takes place on the 14th October in the Cavan
Equestrian Centre which is just on the outskirts of Cavan Town, Co. Cavan,
Ireland

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Preston Amateur Radio Society get steamed-up

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qJsmQLuN8uw/preston_amateur_radio_society_get_steamed_up.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Preston Amateur Radio Society will be activating GB0LMR for Railways on the
Air. Starting on the evening of Friday 21 September and running through to
Sunday 23rd 2012, the station will be located at the miniature railway on
Worden Park, Leyland

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Makers Space opens the Ideas Hub Sept 22-23

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rVqVyfWhFNA/makers_space_opens_the_ideas_hub.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Changing Chelmsford is opening a temporary 'Ideas Hub' in the High Chelmer
Kiosk that overlooks Bellmead and Central Park, in advance of their October
13-20 Chelmsford Ideas Festival

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Railways on the Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gNk6ERszVuE/gb0tlr.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Southgate Amateur Radio Club will be operating a Special Event station for
the Railways on the Air event on 22nd and 23rd of September

1814. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 23 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 13:28:04 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <df03c464-b50e-47c8-ac96-374e9ef5b7cd@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1981
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-09-23.mp3
Text edition:
WIANEWS - September 23 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 23 2012.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING SEP 23 2012.

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'Feedback Feedback'

With thanks and appreciation for those members who keenly raced to the
new WIA News Broadcast Feedback page at
http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/feedback
The inaugural letter writers were:

Ed VK2ARE - pointing out that we missed the publicity of the ZL9HR DXpedition
which we will hear more about in Ed's audio submission later in the show.

David VK6DWB - accusing us of entertaining him all the way to work in the morning! hihi!

and a listener who picked us up on the use of 'Chairperson' in one of
last week's reports. The listener pointed out the Latin root of the word 'Chairman'

refers to 'manus' meaning 'hand', and is not a gender specific reference to which the ever vigilant forces of political correctness feel they need to correct.

Please submit your feedback to the new Feedback Form and tell us how we're doing.

David VK3RU - New WIA Secretary

Continuing our series of interviews getting to know members of the WIA, today we speak with David VK3RU.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

As reported last week, Amateur Radio New South Wales will be conducting a one day Foundation course today Sunday 23rd September at the VK2WI site in Dural 23rd September. Assessments will be next Sunday. Good luck to all candidates and thanks to the members giving of their time to run the course and assessments.

Also next Sunday, 30th September, at the VK2WI Dural site, 63 Quarry Rd. is a morning T&T and Home Brew afternoon gathering. Check out the ARNSW web site home page www.arnsw.org.au for the various activities. Those attending assessments bring a passport photo and identification.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Ballarat Amateur Radio Club Inc.
Contact: Roger de Valle VK3ADE, 03 5330 3082 or roger@genette.biz
News Release: Ballarat Amateur Radio Hamvention ?" 2012.

The Ballarat Amateur Radio Group will hold its annual Hamvention on Sunday the 21st of October 2012 in the usual venue provided by the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club in Rubicon St, Redan. Doors open for traders at 8am and general access is at 10am.

Those that have attended in the past will know that this is a good day out in a really roomy, indoors venue with historically around 60 to 70 tables of new and preloved amateur radio gear, test gear and general bits and pieces on sale.

We work very hard to make the event a place where both first timers and regulars are welcomed, be they traders, browsers or buyers and each and everyone is given every assistance to ensure that they have a great day out.

Entry for everyone, including traders is $6 per head and tables are available for $10 per 1.6 metre section.

We would really encourage people to use the opportunity to turn over some of that gear that has been sitting in the shack for a little too long and those bit and pieces that you have been struggling to find a use for, give another amateur a chance to put it to use and make yourself a few dollars in the process.

If you dont think you could support a full table then the Ballarat Club has a table where they are more than happy to sell the goods for you for a small commission.

Historically we have had a really strong representation of commercial traders and dealers and we are pleased to continue this tradition into 2012.

No amateur gathering is ever complete without a bit a food, a place for a coffee and a good catch up with friends, there is a well catered food area designated and it is provided with a goodly amount of seating with generous sized tables.

If you love building equipment then how about a bit of show and tell, there is a special section for home brew projects with sections for novices, skilled and very skilled with generous prizes for each category, amateurs just love seeing other amateurs projects and admiring their ingenuity.

If you come every year we look forward to seeing you again, if you haven&#65533;(tm)t been to Ballarat for a while then please consider paying us a visit, it&#65533;(tm)s a truly beautiful town with lots to do for families and we would really be delighted to see you at the Hamvention.

If you need more information then please visit the BARG web site at www.barg.org.au or you can contact us via Roger VK3ADE on 03 5330 3081 or Ian VK3AXH on 03 5341 3012.
For bookings you can contact us via hamvention2012@barg.org.au
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VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

TARC Does the Comedy Revue

TARCadians and friends will once again be thoroughly entertained when they head along to this year&#65533;(tm)s Townsville Choral Society Comedy Revue on Saturday evening November 3rd.

A stellar cast will regale the audience with Music - Comedy - Songs - Sketches and stunts designed to keep the name of Thuringowa alive and well.

This year there is no dinner provided, however complementary wine and cheese will be served before the entertainment and drinkies will be available.
Roll up around 6-30pm to get a parking spot. Doors open 7pm with everyone to be seated by 7-15pm.

A fantastic show, excellent company and it only costs $25 per head.
See the Master of Time and Space - Iain VK4IGM to book and pay for your seats.
Act Now - as the event is very popular and places will go in a flash !

(Gavin VK4ZZ)

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
WW Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Oceania DX Contest - 3 Weeks Away !

The 2012 Oceania DX contest is now only 3 weeks away, with the Phone SSB section on the first weekend in October and the CW section on the second weekend in October. This will be a great opportunity to work a lot of DX stations in the Oceania region, as well as giving your station a test drive for the new DX contest season and the CQ WW contest events later in the year.

The PHONE section runs 08:00 UTC Sat 6 October to 08:00 UTC Sun 7 October with CW running at the same times the following weekend. All activity is on non-WARC bands from 160M to 10M.

The organisers are expecting a good turn out from VK, ZL and YB stations, as well as stations from some of the rarer Pacific entities. The main aim of the contest is to promote HF contacts with stations in the Oceania region. Oceania stations can work other Oceania and non-Oceania stations. Non-Oceania stations can only work Oceania stations.

More information and the rules are available from the contest section of the WIA website.
(VK4TS)

The Keith Roget National Parks Award

The first to achieve all 45 Victorian National Parks is Peter Fraser VK3ZPF. It has taken him from the warm Sunset country in the northwest to the cooler climates of the distant Gippsland Parks.

Peter VK3ZPF will be on air with others over the forthcoming special VK3 National Parks Weekend of November the 16th to the 18th.

Keep an ear out that weekend for at least the National Parks at Heathcote-Graytown, Barmah, Gunbower, Terrick Terrick, Kinglake and St Arnaud.

If you intend to activate a National Park on November the 16th to the 18th then put on a Master List on the Amateur Radio Victoria website www.amateurradio.com.au which contains the rules and endorsements.
(Tony Hambling VK3VTH)

MONSTER ANTENNA!

The HARAOA president and DX'Pedition leader Tommy VK2IR has just finished construction of a 40metre, 2 element Moxon antenna ?" yes that's right a two element 40 metre beam is gong on the ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island (IOTA OC-037) for the activation between November 28th. and December 9th. The element length is 15 ½ metres long! To see the construction of this monster simply search for ZL9HR on Youtube.

The size of this antenna meant that it needed to have its own special shipping crate built and over the last couple of weeks all crates have been built and the fitting out of the four shipping containers finished. All of this is on schedule and all equipment will be shipped out of Sydney before the end of the month.

The team are also delighted to have received several more sponsors, both commercial, associations and clubs and individuals &#65533;" all of which are listed on the web site at ZL9HR.com. Again a great vote of thanks to all of the sponsors without whom this DX'Pedition could not take place.

So where will ZL9HR operate? On which bands and which modes? While the aim is to operate on as many bands as possible and try to give as many amateurs as possible the chance to work this rare DX location, your vote on the website will affect some of the plans &#65533;" so if you haven't already done so, please go and vote for your preferred mode and band by going to ZL9HR.com and clicking on the survey button at the top of the home page. Presently 10m is by far the most requested band followed by 160m, as for modes CW leads Digital followed by Sideband.

Please refer to the web site ZL9HR.COM for the full, up to date, information about this major DX'Pedition to the Great Southern Ocean.

73 from Ed VK2ARE&#65533; Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR.
[Audio Uploaded]

PT 0 S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks
The DXpedition will take place in late November to mid-December.
The actual dates will depend on weather conditions.
There had been an official ban on Amateur Radio activities from PY 0 S.
Although the ban, which was created for environmental and safety reasons,
remains in place, a special permit by Brazil's S.E.C.I.R.M.
the Brazilian Navy, Ministry of Environment and LABRE to conduct a two week long operation.

(SouthGate)

3D2C DXpedition to Conway Reef

19 operators from all over the globe to participate in a tent and generator operation on Conway Reef, in the South Pacific Ocean -- the 35th most wanted DXCC entity.

The Team expects to arrive at Conway Reef and become active on September 26th running through to October 5th. The main goal of this DXpedition is to work every amateur radio operator who needs Conway Reef for a new DXCC country.

They we will be active on all bands from 1.8 MHz to 144 MHz, including the 5 MHz and 50 MHz bands. The team will be active on CW, SSB and RTTY with special attention paid to far away stations in Europe and Africa when propagation permits.

The official website is http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html(SouthgateARC)

FR/DJ7RJ Willi/DJ7RJ Reunion Island AF-016
September 26th to October 21st with CW and SSB ops 160 to 10m with emphasis

on low bands

VK9XM Pekka/OH2YY and Pekka/OH1TV Christmas Island
October 6th to October 12th SSB and CW ops 40 to 10metres

T30PY and T30SIX Tarawa Western Kiribati
October 16th to 25th, details at http://www.mdxc.org/t30py

VK4/JA1NLX Aki-san/JA1NLX Hamilton Island OC-160
October 18th to 23rd ops CW and SSB 40 to 10metres
Website www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/VK4_2012.html

KH8/JA2ZL Anci/JA2ZL Pago Pago American Samoa OC-045
October 23rd to 29th ops CW SSB RTTY 80 to 10metres

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report ?" Measure Twice cut Once.

CONTROLLED CARRIER AM -SOMETHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN

An old modulation technology is making a comeback for A-M broadcast stations in a new and money saving way. Amateur Radio Newsline?(tm)s George Bowen, W2XBS, says that back in the days of full carrier A-M transmission one very popular and low cost way to put ones voice onto a carrier wave was to modulate the final power amplifier?(tm)s screen grid.

A variation on this that required no heavy modulation transformer was to vary the output power of the transmitter at an audio rate by varying the final amplifier?(tm)s screen voltage at an audio rate. This system was called controlled carrier A-M and it was made very popular on the ham bands in the 1940?(tm)s, 1950?(tm)s and 1960?(tm)s in such budget priced transmitters as the Heathkit DX-35, DX-40 and DX-60 to name only a few.

With the advent of single sideband transmission, full carrier A-M fell out of favour in the ham radio world but it has remained a staple in the broadcast industry and other services that want to get their message to the public. And now, carrier control modulation is making a comeback among broadcasters but not in the way it was done by radio amateurs of the past.

For broadcasters who spend 10?(tm)s of thousands of dollars a year paying for electric service, the ability to raise and lower power levels can be a major cost cutting factor. And because of this a number of stations have received waivers from the FCC to experiment with several new forms of carrier control technology.

In one instance, transmitter manufacturer Harris Broadcast and New York City powerhouse WOR-AM say they have had success with a power-saving

Modulation Dependent Carrier Level
algorithm. This with no effect on Arbitron
Portable People Meter data encoding/decoding, the
stations H-D Radio signal coverage or digital audio quality.

Harris engineers worked with Tom Ray, W2TRR , who
is the Corporate Director of Engineering WOR AM
in New York, to test the compatibility of two
Harris Modulation-Dependent Carrier Level
algorithms. Amplitude Modulation Companding
provided the largest reduction in transmitter
power consumption, by saving 37 per cent in
average AC power input to the transmitter. WOR
estimated this translates up to a $3,000 per
month savings on the electric bill at his New Jersey transmitter site.

So will this new form of Amplitude Modulation
Companding bring back full carrier AM to the ham
bands? While a tiny segment may decide to
experiment with it more than likely SSB will
remain the preferred voice system among ham radio
operators worldwide. At least until it�(tm)s
replaced by a digital voice system at some time in the future.

Nautel, another transmitter manufacturer has
estimated that a 50 kilowatt AM transmitter using
this technology and operating 24 hours a day, 7
days a week could easily save $20,000 a year or
more in electricity costs. This based on modest
electricity rates of 10 cents per kilowatt hour.

The complete story can be found on-line:-
tinyurl.com/harris-modulation

(arnewsline sep10)

INTEL SAYS THE FUTURE OF EVERYTHING IS WIRELESS

Intel Corp. believes that in the future all equipment have to be completely
wireless, whether it is a laptop, a display or something else. To achieve that,
Intel wants to integrate radio in every applicable chip it makes, which
essentially adds wireless tech to any client chip these days, given the trend
towards highly-integrated system-on-chip devices.

"In the future, if it computes, it connects. From the simplest embedded sensors
to the most advanced cloud datacenters, we are looking at techniques to allow
all of them to connect without wires," said Justin Rattner, chief technology
officer of Intel, at Intel Developer Forum.

(via xbitlabs.com/news)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - ASTRONOMICAL

EXPLOSION ON JUPITER NOTED BY AMATEUR STAR GAZERS

Amateur astronomers last week reported a bright fireball on the planet
Jupiter that appears to be the result of a small asteroid hitting the planet
during the early hours of September 10th. As the fireball faded, attention
has turned to trying to discover any possible debris around the impact site.
Observers will be monitoring the region in the nights ahead to see what
if anything surfaces. Updates will be posted on-line at spaceweather.com
(Spaceweather - via ARnewsline)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

Fists Recordings on the Historic 500kHz Band

On the Facebook Page of the FISTS CW CLUB, you can access a recording made by
Finbar O'Connor EI0CF, Radio Officer, at the closing down of Malin Head Radio Station
in County Donegal. At that time 5 Compact Discs were recorded and these have now
been converted to MP3 files and the link is available for all to listen to by
clicking on the FACEBOOK PAGE of the FISTS CW CLUB.
www.facebook.com/FistsCwClub
(Irish Radio Transmitters Society)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570± MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

"Hi, this is Lesley VK5LOL your Alara Contest Manager. Just a reminder
that I need your logs in by the end of this month - the 30th September.
That is the logs for the Alara Contest. Thanking you. Lesley VK5LOL"

73, Lesley VK5LOL Alara Contest Manager
AUDIO

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARISS

ARISS Contact with Maroochydore state School

What a buzz for the kids at Maroochydore State School on Wednesday afternoon
of this week just gone. They had an exciting opportunity to to talk to Aki
KE5DNI who is currently travelling on the International Space Station. Local
communications were handled by President Richard VK4RY from the Sunshine Coast
Amateur Radio Club along with a few helpers. Also involved was Shane VK4KHZ

out at Glendon, Tony VK5ZAI in Kingston SA and JOhn AG9D in Montgomery USA.

Communications started at about 5:03 and lasted for only 10 minutes before the
ISS was over the horizon, but what an opportunity for the school kids and an
opportunity for us as Amateurs to show what radio can do. There is no other

way to talk to the astronauts so hopefully some of this might stick in their heads in the years to come.

Until next time, this is Gordon VK4VP.

This contact was also publicised on Breakfast show on 612 ABC Brisbane. A program blog post with audio is available on their site:
http://blogs.abc.net.au/queensland/2012/09/maroochydore-primary-talks-with-outer-space-.html

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Amateur Radio CubeSats to deploy from ISS

JAXA have announced that the deployment of five CubeSats from the International Space Station (ISS) will take place on Thursday, September 27
Four of the CubeSats carry Amateur Radio payloads.
The five CubeSats on this mission include:
+ Raiko (Japanese: "thunder drum")
2U cubesat, photography, Ku-band beacon
+ We Wish
Infrared camera for environmental studies
+ FITSat 1
High-speed data test, high power LED visual tracking
+ F-1 Vietnam Student CubeSat
On-board camera for earth observation mission
+ TechEdSat

More information, including link modes and frequencies can be found in the AMSAT news section at amsat.org
(amsat news service)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360, 24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

St George Amateur Society Activity

The St George Amateur Society will be running a JOTA station at Bonna Point Reserve Kurnell, NSW this year as part of the annual scout and guide Boree Regatta event.

The station will have two VHF transceivers on 2 metres and 70 centre metres and two HF transceivers operating on 80, 40 and 20 metres. The call sign will be VK2LE.

The station will have over 500 scouts and guides on the air from 10am Eastern Daylight Saving Time, EDST Saturday morning till 10pm EDST Saturday night and again from 9am EDST Sunday morning to 2pm EDST Sunday afternoon.

The look forward to making 2012 a truly memorable Jamboree On The Air.

For further information, check out the St George web site at http://www.sgars.org/jota

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

ARRL Simulated Emergency Test

The American Radio Relay League (ARRL) holds its Simulated Emergency Test next month to try out equipment, operating skills and emergency deploymentplans.

Setting the date as October 6 to 7, it has invited the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, the National Traffic System, the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service, SKYWARN, the ARRL Field Organisations and other groups involved.

In the US many volunteers are active in disaster preparedness communications with a variety of agencies that rely on radio amateurs to provide serviceduring emergencies.

The ARRL has agreements or Memoranda of Understandings with several including the American Red Cross, the National Weather Service, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Salvation Army.

The membership of the ARRL and the number with a callsign are growing slowly. A factor is the continuing interest in emergency, disaster, and public servicecommunications.
(Jim Linton VK3PC)

YAESU DONATES NEW GEAR TO HELP REBUILD RAST STATION HS0AC

Yaesu has donated a pair of FT-2000D transceivers to the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand. This to help rebuild its headquarters station HS 0 AC that lost its radio gear during severe flooding last year.

The presentation of the two transceivers to the Radio Society of Thailand was made by Dennis K 7 BV, who is the company&#65533;(tm)s Executive Vice President

Amateur Radio Sales and also holds the call sign HS 0 ZKS.

In his note, K 7 BV said that Thailand is what he called extremely "radioactive" with over 300,000 hams most of whom are on VHF. However, that is in the process of changing.

Dennis says that after seven years of waiting, Thai hams are once again able to test for a license that gives them operating privileges on the HF bands. According to K 7 BV some 40 applicants have already passed the new exam this year and at least one more test is schedule before years end.

(arnewsline sep 10)

WICEN Victoria are involved in 2 events during October.
If you are available to participate, please get in touch with the contact listed for the event.

Saturday October 20th 2012 -- Mini Canoe Marathon
Echuca
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313
Email: gerwer01@gmail.com

Sunday October 21st 2012 -- Stockmans Rally
Big River
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1815. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 21 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 16:19:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd8bf73bf3c04ca389b64@google.com>
Source record: 1982
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Windfarm Developers: Amateur Operators Can Use 'Alternative Frequencies'.

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 03:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?360589-Windfarm-Developers-Amateur-Operators-Can-Use-Alternative-Frequencies&goto=newpost

Of interest to UK amateurs, where wind energy is currently undergoing a
huge boom, will be this statement by developers RWE Innogy:

'Amateur radio operators have a variety of ways to improve

radio system performance. These are mostly associated with

changes to aerials and radio equipment or increasing

transmitted power levels.'

which goes on to state that, as RWE's view of how amateurs should cope with
any interference by using:

'...alternative amateur radio frequencies or technologies'

That's nice. Legally licensed operators working protected bands can take a
hike, or pay - if they get planning permission - to erect bigger, higher
antennas! All terrbily realistic, I'm sure.

The problem is that the law does not protect us from path interference by
physical structures, just interference arising from other sources.

Anyone with concerns can submit their views, as I did, using the forms
found here.

The document from which the above statements are taken can be found here.

1816. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 21 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 16:39:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934093fcdf7b004ca38e0a5@google.com>
Source record: 1983
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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AGB-NEMIGA-2012 Contest = 2100-2400 UTC = Sept 21th

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 04:40 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362220-AGB-NEMIGA-2012-Contest-2100-2400-UTC-Sept-21th&goto=newpost

Welcome to AGB-NEMIGA-2012 Contest

AGB NEMIGA 2012 Contest

21.09.2012 = 2100-2400 UTC = 80m

on English

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nemiga.htm

on Russian

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nemiga_rus.htm

on Czech

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nemiga_cz.htm

all questions to EU1EU@mail.ru

Special for This Contest for All Contesters, who will send LOGs will

be AGB-NEMIGA Contest Award-Certificate in PDF format. For All

Contesters, who sent LOGs.

Also PLUS Special "Award AGB-NEMIGA-2012" during in this Contest ONLY.

This Award in PDF format and gratis (kostenloss) for AGB-NEMIGA
contesters.

Its for contacts with 5 AGB-members during AGB-NEMIGA-2012-Contest.

I'll send PDF-files of Awards by email for Personal !!!

But Contesters must be send Application with Logs for

"AGB-NEMIGA-2012" Award.

Also nice points for This Contest =

ONE HOUR (You can working in the Contest one hour Only .... I know,

than many amateurs radio have many Years and not so gut Health and

its hard for 3 hour Contest-job ...).

== RULES ==

The object of the Contest: Licenced amateurs radio worldwide and SWL;
Invitation for all amateurs radio.

CONTEST CALL: CW - TEST AGB; SSB - CQ AGB CONTEST;

MODE: CW, SSB, Digital (RTTY, PSK, STTV ...);

FREQUENCIES: CW (3510 - 3555); SSB (3700 - 3750) - recomende; Digital (3570
- 3600)

Pilot frequency in begin contest: CW-3540, SSB-3720

REPEAT: Each 15 minutes (12 periods) you can make CW-QSO, SSB-QSO,
Digital-QSO with every station.

There are periods -

2100 - 2114, 2115 - 2129, 2130 - 2144, 2145 - 2159,

2200 - 2214, 2215 - 2229, 2230 - 2244, 2245 - 2259,

2300 - 2314, 2315 - 2329, 2330 - 2344, 2345 - 2400,

In DIGITAL Entry - You can make Digital QSO next Digital-mode during every
15-munute period. As an Example: RTTY + PSK + SSTV ...

ENTRY:

A Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB) AGB-member

B Single Operator CW AGB-member

C Single Operator SSB AGB-member

D Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB)

E Single Operator CW

F Single Operator SSB

G Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB) QRP (Max 10W)

H Multi Operator

I - SWL

J - Digital (RTTY, PSK, AMTOR, PACKTOR...)

K - ONE HOUR (You can working in the Contest one hour Only .... I know,
than many amateurs radio have many Years and not so gut Health and its hard
for 3 hour Contest-job ... You can workin more than one hour, but select

one hour in Log summary sheet)

EXCHANGE: No AGB member stations - RST + number of QSO (599-001);

AGB member station - RST + number QSO + AGB-number (599-001/60);

...

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Also, You can see info of special AGB-TROPHY for

W-100-C == Worked in 100 Contest (competitions)
http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w100c_e.htm

W-250-C == Worked in 250 Contest (competitions)
http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w250c_e.htm

W-500-C == Worked in 500 Contest (competitions)
http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w500c_e.htm

W-750-C == Worked in 750 Contest (competitions)
http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w750c_e.htm

W-1000-C == Worked in 1000 Contest (competitions)
http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w1000c_e.htm

For example, one of "simple" Trophy "W-250-C" for Contest-Man who worked in
250 and more competitions, made

for Zdeno OK1AR http://ev5agb.com/award/w250c_ok1ar_400.jpg

or much more difficult Trophy "W-1000-C" for Victor UN5C
http://ev5agb.com/award/w-1000-c_un5c_200.jpg

Completely You can review with AGB-TROPHY-PROGRAM

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_e.htm

regards,

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Igor EU1EU-OK8EU

Now in Czech - OK8EU

PS

the picture of Award of AGB-NEMIGA Contest (for all contesters, who send
LOGs)

agb-nemiga-2008_sertif200.jpg

Attached Images

agb-nemiga-2008_sertif200.jpg
(24.4 KB)

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Qsl island of popov - ri0nz

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 02:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362128-Qsl-island-of-popov-ri0nz&goto=newpost

I PREPARE TO SEND QSL-CARD*s FOR THE DX-pedition

ISLAND OF POPOV - RI0NZ IOTA AS-066 . 2012 JULY 24-30.

VLADO/ RI0NZ/ UA0LCZ/

1817. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 20:00:29 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <tjtui9-hnf.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 1984

D. Stussy <spam+newsgroups@bde-arc.ampr.org> wrote:
> wrote in message news:4qtsi9-lc8.ln1@mail.specsol.com...
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
>> The majority of hams who got their licenses prior to the introduction
>> of the no-code technician license are now dead.
>
> Nope.
>
> If they got their license the same year code was eliminated for technician
> and were 16 at the time, they would now be 37.
> ==========
>
> He said majority, not all of them, dumbass.

Learn some statistics and look up life expectancies and you will learn that
the numbers mean the majority, which means greater than 50%, are still alive,
ignorant twit.

1818. eHam.net News for Friday 21 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-21 22:17:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011d90d73244504ca3d9a20@google.com>
Source record: 1985
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Jock Soutar: Radio Man:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 06:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29005

Jock Soutar has lived in Barstow since 1962, when his father, Jim Soutar, started his auto dealerships in Barstow. Jock was born in San Bernardino at St. Bernadine's Hospital and graduated from Barstow High. Previous to that, the family lived in Running Springs in the San Bernardino Mountains -- a community without a hospital at that time. Q: Describe a special memory you have in the High Desert. A: I enjoy the desert and its surrounding areas. Q: What do you do in your free time? A: I retired two years ago from the Barstow Unified School District.
Since then I have increased my activities with amateur or ham radio. I am the current President of the Barstow Amateur Radio Club and we participate in many events either using our communications expertise for various civic and radio associated events. Our members are always ready to help if a group needs communications for their events. Q: Tell us one thing that most people don't know about you. A: Probably about Amateur Radio being my main hobby.

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ARNewsline Report 1832 -- Sept 21 2012:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 06:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29004

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1832
with a release date of September 21 2012 to
follow in 5-4-3-2-1

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #39:

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 09:00 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29003

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

1819. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 21 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 02:25:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e622b47b60e04ca41114f@google.com>
Source record: 1986
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio club celebrates 50 years - Cleveland Daily Banner

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 09:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFIeI04UcA76Kilzc16ZpmDltWOLA&url=http://www.clevelandbanner.com/view/full_story/20230743/article-Radio-club--celebrates--50-years?instance%3Dlatest_articles

Radio club celebrates 50 years
Cleveland Daily Banner
Simultaneously, club members will be operating their powerful communication equipment to demonstrate how amateur radio enhances a community and to explain the enjoyment they receive from the hobby. In times of disaster, amateur radio can be the only ...

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Amateur radio classes available - Camarillo Acorn

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 07:32 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEZzGX-ZFwODfahYUVRGuQJ69kEzg&url=http://www.thecamarilloacorn.com/news/2012-09-21/Community/Amateur_radio_classes_available.html

Amateur radio classes available
Camarillo Acorn
... at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3645 N. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks. The ham radio license manual, including a CD with practice test questions, will be available to purchase. For more information, call Dave Singer at (805) 377 ...

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LaFayette Middle School talks to International Space Station - WDEF News 12

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 02:52 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHhOEYsdC0008hPTZeJOeQT9U8ANg&url=http://www.wdef.com/news/story/LaFayette-Middle-School-talks-to-International/ybwAlegDNk25H9nUWQ0daQ.cspx

LaFayette Middle School talks to International Space Station
WDEF News 12
The school was one of eighteen in North America selected by NASA. Students prepared questions to ask the Space Stations Commander, while they watched live on a giant screen. The live contact took place using amateur radios or ham radio. Jody Carter ...

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ARNewsline Report 1832 -- Sept 21 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 01:21 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEnM-7smrBBJtUwZBOpscFOhhgT-Q&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29004

ARNewsline Report 1832 -- Sept 21 2012:
eHam.net
RADIO CRIME: HAM RADIO EMCOMM REPEATER VANDALIZED. Steven Tidwell, KF5NDG, reports to Amateur Radio Newsline on a recent case where a repeater used for Skywarn and other ham radio emergency communications was criminally damaged.

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Preston Amateur Radio Society get steamed-up - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 12:43 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGThNxIOV9TseShNja2S9TXqB7bjg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/preston_amateur_radio_society_get_steamed_up.htm

Preston Amateur Radio Society get steamed-up
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Preston Amateur Radio Society get steamed-up. Preston Amateur Radio Society will be activating GB0LMR for Railways on the Air. Starting on the evening of Friday 21 September and running through to Sunday 23rd 2012, the station will be located at the ...

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Taunton ham radio operator to attend national conference - Taunton Daily Gazette

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 08:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE1u4ZdGKlDN6109aAZypKEpa_UIw&url=http://www.tauntongazette.com/newsnow/x551363326/Taunton-ham-radio-operator-to-attend-national-conference

Taunton ham radio operator to attend national conference
Taunton Daily Gazette
And thats where traditional ham, or amateur, radio experts play an integral role with their expertise in short-wave, radio interconnection. “Were the backup,” explained Mims, who is director of the Armys Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) in ...

and more

1820. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 06:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1348293601@panix.com>
Source record: 1987
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1821. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 06:05:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1348293901@panix.com>
Source record: 1988
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

1822. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 06:05:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1348293901@panix.com>
Source record: 1989
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1823. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 06:10:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1348294200@panix.com>
Source record: 1990
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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1824. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 22 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 06:32:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51618a175831f04ca4485db@google.com>
Source record: 1991
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Elmira Hamfest, Horseheads, NY

Posted: 20 Sep 2012 10:41 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362198-Elmira-Hamfest-Horseheads-NY&goto=newpost

The Amature Radio Association of the Southern Tier will hold its annual September Hamfest at the Chemung County Fairgrounds in Horseheads NY. Gate opens at 8am, $6 admission enters drawing for over $2000 in door prizes. Free flea market space with ticket purchase, 6am setup. Flea market area is over 2 acres. Onsite overnite camping $25. Indoor vendor space still available. Contact Charlie Santi KA2BED at 607-481-0908 or at callsign @ arrl.net.

1825. Visit Hamwave

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 07:06:09 UTC
From: Mike <kk2dog@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <92d7e6b6-00c2-4d3f-9060-49d806ab914a@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1992

We're at: www.hamwave.com

1826. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 09:23:29 UTC
From: atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <k3k02k$vi0$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1993

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On 22/09/2012 6:00 AM, jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> D. Stussy <spam+newsgroups@bde-arc.ampr.org> wrote:
>> wrote in message news:4qtsi9-lc8.ln1@mail.specsol.com...
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
>>> The majority of hams who got their licenses prior to the introduction
>>> of the no-code technician license are now dead.
>>
>> Nope.
>>
>> If they got their license the same year code was eliminated for technician
>> and were 16 at the time, they would now be 37.
>> ==================
>>
>> He said majority, not all of them, dumbass.
>
> Learn some statistics and look up life expectancies and you will learn that
> the numbers mean the majority, which means greater than 50%, are still alive,
> ignorant twit.
>
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>
>
How dare you use logic and the truth to kick his butt into the weeds

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X-No-Archive: Yes
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1827. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 22 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 11:04:16 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f234cf52e88e204ca485081@google.com>
Source record: 1994
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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KickSat to deploy 200 Sprite satellites

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gUy3ezi8lZM/kicksat_to_deploy_200_sprite_satellites.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

KickSat is an amateur radio CubeSat technology demonstration mission
designed to demonstrate the deployment and operation of prototype
Sprite 'ChipSats' (femtosatellites) developed at Cornell University

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Tube map radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GdkhRsIuG9E/tube_map_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Japanese designer Yuri Suzuki has produced a radio using PCB tracks in the
shape of the London Underground tube map

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Ballarat Hamvention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZVVmcG9xH1I/ballarat_hamvention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Ballarat Amateur Radio Group will be holding its annual Hamvention on
Sunday the 21st of October 2012, in their usual venue

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Women in Ham Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GuB2tr50K7M/women_in_ham_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gary Pearce KN4AQ of HamRadioNow interviews Mary Moore WX4MM about Women in
Ham Radio

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vWHWcHrEGDY/wca_2209.htm?utm_source=fee

dburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW reports on 3 activations taking place this weekend

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Oceania DX Contest - 3 weeks away !

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0mQ1O_XGrbk/oceania_dx_contest_3_weeks_away.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2012 Oceania DX Contest is now only 3 weeks away, with the Phone SSB section on the first weekend in October and the CW section on the second weekend in October

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ISS chat gives students higher education

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PoXru1pFm_A/iss_chat_gives_students_higher_education.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The North County Times reports on an amateur radio contact between students at Sunset Hills Elementary School in Rancho Penasquitos and the International Space Station

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iZzDebkq46I/038_september_22.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers dropped this week, from 83.1 in the September 6-12 week, to 56 in the recent September 13-19 period. Average daily solar flux declined from 118.9 to 101.4

1828. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 22 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 16:29:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e851038417404ca4cddf9@google.com>
Source record: 1995
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Nation 65: The Science of the Phased Array

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 09:23 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362248-Ham-Nation-65-The-Science-of-the-Phased-Array&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 65: The Science of the Phased Array, plus part one of building the etherkit.com OpenBeacon is available for download and viewing at http://twit.tv/hn .

1829. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Saturday 22 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 18:06:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340453d9826f04ca4e373f@google.com>
Source record: 1996
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Banbury Canal Day

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 07:29 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1904:banbury-canal-day&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

On Sunday 7th October 2012, the Banbury Amateur Radio Society will be
running an amateur radio station from Spiceball Park in Banbury as part of
the 2012 Banbury Canal Day event.

1830. SARL News in English 22/9/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 18:21:34 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <23267788F58F445EBCFB71E08D9B8B7F@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1997
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARLNEWS 23 September 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa, with a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other newsreaders change to suit).

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it must be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs went silent recently, they are:

That of Rowan Baumgarten, ZS6BIB, on the 15 September 2012. Rowan was a valued committee member of the Alberton Amateur Radio Club. He promoted amateur radio at Jota, Scopex, War museum, Air shows and where ever he could and was part of the RP foundations Cycle race - Ride for Sight as lead and commentary vehicle for 18 years.

That of Martin Harper, ZS6MSG, previously ZS5VO, became silent on the 17th September. Marten was a keen Hamnet member.

Our sincerest condolences to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

In the news today:

HERITAGE DAY SPRINT

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUM

MTN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

LOOKING AHEAD TO WRC-15

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

HERITAGE DAY SPRINT

Aim is to stimulate activity on 40 m and to promote public relations with respect to the various Heritage sites in South Africa on 24 September starting at 10:00 UTC and ending at 13:00 UTC (12:00 to 15:00 CAT. Only frequencies in the following segments may be used. CW: 7000 to 7025 kHz; phone: 7060 to 7100 kHz and 7130 to 7200 kHz. A maximum output power of 100 W is allowed.

The exchange is call sign, RS(T) signal report, a serial number commencing with 001 and the letter indicating the station type - B for blockhouses, H for other heritage sites and G for general stations. Example: 59 001 B. For stations at blockhouses and heritage sites, field station rules apply as per the SARL blue book.

Scoring - CW - 12 points for every contact with a station at a South African block house or other heritage site and 4 points for every other station. Radio Phone scoring - 8 points for every contact with a station at a South African block house or other heritage site and 2 points for every other station.

Multipliers - Blockhouse (B) and Heritage (H) stations use a multiplier of 3 (x3); General (G) stations use no multiplier (x1). Electronic logs are required and may be in any standard logging format or MS Excel. No paper logs, scanned images or pdf files will be accepted, except as check logs. E-mail logs to riaanzs4pr[at]gmail[dot]com and send a copy to fwolff[at]global[dot]co[dot]za.

Closing date for log submissions is 9 October 2012.

RADIO TECHNOLOGY IN ACTION SYMPOSIUM

Pre-booking for Cape Town closes Wednesday evening.

The last in the 2012 series of the SARL Radio Technology in Action Symposiums will be held in Cape Town on 29 September at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology Bellville Campus. The full programme and registration forms are now available from the SARL website. Click on RTA or the link in the news update centre stage on the home page.

Pre-booking assists with catering arrangements and guarantees that you will be able to get the CD and the SDR kit at the meeting. Pre booking closes on Wednesday evening. After that bookings will only be taken on the day.

The challenge is on for the Western Cape Radio Amateurs to beat the Gauteng record of close to 100 participants, currently pre-bookings are approaching 50. Please make use of the pre-booking facility and stand a change to win an ARRL Basic Antenna book. The booking form can be downloaded from the SARL website.

MTN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Nominations close on 5 October.

Here is an opportunity to recognise a radio amateur that has made a contribution to amateur radio. There are three categories:

GARTH MILNE TECHNICAL INNOVATION AWARD The award is made for the support, development and application of Technological Innovation in Amateur Radio in South Africa. The recipient will be a person who has promoted the use of technology in amateur radio at club level, nationally, at schools or a tertiary education institution.

MTN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARD The award is made for the support and development of the Amateur Radio Service in South Africa, not for individual achievements such as DXCC and other operational awards or contests. The recipient will be a person who has given of his or her expertise and time to the promotion of Amateur Radio in South Africa.

MTN AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD Annually the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust is recognising a radio amateur or a group of radio amateurs for service to the community.

Community service can be assistance to a handicapped radio amateur, communications support during a sporting event or a disaster situation like a road accident or a natural disaster like a flood, veld fires, or an earthquake. Nominations are invited for an individual or a group of people like a radio club, or an association.

Nomination forms are available on www.amateurradio.org.za or by sending a mail request to saardt@intekom.co.za. The closing date for nominations has been extended till 5 October 2012.

NEW QST MANAGING EDITOR

The ARRL has announced that Book Editor Becky Schoenfeld, W1BXY, has been promoted to QST Managing Editor. A Connecticut native, Schoenfeld has more than two decades of publishing experience.

Prior to her employment at ARRL Headquarters, Schoenfeld served as Senior Editor at Teaching Kindergarten through 8th grade magazine and Senior Project Editor for textbook publisher Macmillan/McGraw-Hill. She is also the founder of Amaranth magazine which is a highly successful poetry journal.

W1BXY holds a Masters of Fine Arts from Emerson College and a Bachelor of Arts from Fairfield University. Her Amateur Radio activities include chasing grid squares in pursuit of her 6 metre VUCC award and DX hunting on 10 metres.

Schoenfeld replaces the position formerly held by Joel Kleinman, N1BKE, who died tragically in a house fire several weeks ago.

LOOKING AHEAD TO WRC-15

>From an Amateur Radio perspective, the 2012 World Radio Communication Conference (WRC-12) was very successful. According to IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, the IARU Administrative Council will meet in the next 45 days and will address the agenda items for the 2015 World Radio Communication Conference with an eye to building the best strategy to deal with those agenda items in a way that is most favourable to the Amateur Radio Service.

WRC-15 Agenda Item 1.4 calls on the delegates "to consider possible new allocation to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis with the band 5 250-5 450 kHz in accordance with Resolution 649 (WRC-12). "According to Stafford, the IARU will be spending a lot of time and effort to garner support and to ensure the passage of this Agenda Item.

Agenda Item 1.1 is "to consider additional spectrum allocations to the mobile service on a primary basis and identification of additional frequency bands for International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT) and related regulatory provisions, to facilitate the development of terrestrial mobile broadband applications, in accordance with Resolution 233 (WRC-12)."

"With seemingly everyone around the world gaining some degree of broadband access, the search for radio spectrum to satisfy the needs for mobile connectivity will become even more intense as we draw closer to WRC-15, Stafford explained. "National telecommunication authorities around the world and the ITU are in search of spectrum to fill these mobile connectivity requirements. As this agenda item develops, the IARU will be there to maintain the Amateur Radio spectrum."

Other WRC-15 Agenda Items the IARU will be closely monitoring include the following:

Agenda Item 1.6.1: "To consider possible additional primary allocations to the fixed satellite service (Earth-to-space and space-to-Earth) of 250 MHz in the range between 10 GHz and 17 GHz in Region 1."

Agenda Item 1.10: "To consider spectrum requirements and possible additional spectrum allocations for the mobile-satellite service in the Earth-to-space and space-to-Earth directions, including the satellite component for broadband applications, including International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT), within the frequency range from 22 GHz to 26 GHz, in accordance with Resolution 234 (WRC-12)."

Agenda Item 1.18: "To consider a primary allocation to the radiolocation service for automotive applications in the 77,5-78,0 GHz frequency band in accordance with Resolution 654 (WRC-12)."

"A lot of radio amateurs are aware of the increasing use of amateur spectrum by small satellites, mainly by universities," Stafford noted. "It is becoming an increasingly difficult situation."

To accommodate the number of small, non-commercial satellites within the amateur bands. These education-based satellites do not really fit within the definition of the Amateur Radio Service, but have been accommodated there. These small satellites are categorized as nanosatellites (weighing between 1-10 kg) and pico satellites (weighing less than 1 kg). The ITU is trying to deal with this issue in an orderly manner and a 'preliminary' WRC-18 agenda item is to consider whether these satellite operations can be accommodated in an already crowded radio spectrum. As these issues develop, the IARU will keep its Member-Societies, such as the SARL, aware of developments."

COMPETITION NEW2S

SARL 80 m CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

>From 17:30 to 18:30 UTC on Wednesday evening 26 September 2012, the SSB contest will be on the air. The exchange is a RS report and a serial number starting at 001. You can participate as a Single Operator or Multi-operator station with activity on 3 600 - 3 650 kHz and 3 700 -3 775 kHz. Each QSO counts one point.

Each session is a contest in its own right, and log entries must be submitted to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za within seven (7) days of the contest, thus 23:59:59 CAT 3 October 2012.

CONGRATULATIONS BERNIE ZS4TX

Bernie van der Walt, ZS4TX, participated in the 2011 CQ WW DX CW Contest on 28 MHz using high power and made 2 208 429 points. This score ensured that Bernie was awarded the Single Operator, Single Band, World 28 MHz trophy. Well done Bernie.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Only a few sunspot regions are currently visible. Big new Sunspot 1 575 will hopefully increase the solar activity levels in the weeks to come.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 62.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be less frequent due to the lower solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 24 September - That is tomorrow, Heritage Day Sprint from 12:00 to 15:00 CAT. 26 September - SARL 80 m club championship competition from 17:30 to 18:30 UTC. 29 September - Radio Technology in Action Symposium in Cape Town. Pre-booking closes Wednesday evening. 29 September - Flea market of the West Rand Amateur Radio Club. 3 October - Log sheets for the SARL 80 m club championship competition to be in to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za. 5 October - Nominations for MTN sponsored SAARDT awards to be in to saardt@intekom.co.za. 9 October - Heritage Day Sprint logs to be in to riaanzs4pr@gmail.com and a copy to fwolff@global.co.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible - in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Martin Schwella, ZS4MS, and edited George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1831. eHam.net News for Saturday 22 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-22 23:01:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bac4397d96904ca5257a0@google.com>
Source record: 1998
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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International Space Station Chat Gives Students Higher Education:

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29009

Students at Sunset Hills Elementary School in Rancho Penasquitos had some questions about what it's like to be an astronaut, and they knew just how to get the best answers. They called the International Space Station as it passed overhead Thursday morning. "What do you do when you're not working?" student Isabella Hambuck asked Akihiko Hoshide, an engineer and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency astronaut aboard the space station. "What do you do for fun?" "When we're not working, most of the time we go to the window and take a look outside," Hoshide said. "We can see the Earth, and we can see a lot of different towns, forests, mountains, oceans. You name it. And that itself is really a lot of fun." The unusual opportunity to chat one-on-one with an astronaut was arranged by members of the ham radio network Papa System, which covers Southern California. Local members organized a similar call to the International Space Station last year at Sundance School and two years ago at Adobe Bluffs School, both in Rancho Penasquitos. Ham radio operator Kerry Banke, also at Sunset Hills on Thursday morning, said astronauts on the International Space Station talk with students over amateur radio about three times a week.

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Radio Club Celebrates 50 Years:

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29008

The Cleveland Amateur Radio Club will mark its 50th anniversary with several special activities Saturday. Early records show the club was formed early in 1962, and the weekend events culminate a yearlong celebration of the club's many contributions to the community. The celebration will start at 9 a.m. with an open house of the organization's clubhouse at 560 Johnson Blvd. Simultaneously, club members will be operating their powerful communication equipment to demonstrate how amateur radio enhances a community and to explain the enjoyment they receive from the hobby. In times of disaster, amateur radio can be the only means of communication when the infrastructure of traditional communications is damaged or destroyed. Such is the case when hurricanes with their 100-plus mph winds and heavy rain can sever an affected area from communication with the rest of the world. In these situations, amateur radio is able to step in and

become the only link to relay critical details of storm damage and injuries to those needing that information.

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Call to Reveal Hidden Morse Code Message:

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29007

NORMANDY veterans are calling for 'one of Torquay's best kept secrets' to be revealed more publicly. They claim visitors to the D-Day embarkation slipways are frequently unaware there is a Morse code message hidden in the lights on the harbourside. Now they are asking mayor Gordon Oliver if it is possible to make the secret message easier to de-code by including an information board teaching people Morse code. Ken Sturdy, chairman of South Devon and Torbay Normandy Veterans' Association, says school pupils and pilgrims to the notable historic site would be able to unravel the Morse code message if more information was given. The Morse code reads 'Vanishing Point' and is set into the granite floor.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #39 de K7RA:

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 02:31 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29006

Average daily sunspot numbers dropped this week, from 83.1 in the September 6-12 week, to 56 in the recent September 13-19 period.
Average daily solar flux declined from 118.9 to 101.4.

1832. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 01:02:38 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-FE6334.21023822092012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 1999

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> D. Stussy <spam+newsgroups@bde-arc.ampr.org> wrote:
> > Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> >> The majority of hams who got their licenses prior to the introduction
> >> of the no-code technician license are now dead.
> >
> > Nope.
> >
> > If they got their license the same year code was eliminated for technician
> > and were 16 at the time, they would now be 37.
> > ==========
> >
> > He said majority, not all of them, dumbass.
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> Learn some statistics and look up life expectancies and you will learn that
> the numbers mean the majority, which means greater than 50%, are still alive,
> ignorant twit.

Look at the DISTRIBUTION of ages of all hams who were alive just
before the no-code tech license appeared (announced 1990, issued 1991).
There were some that were 16, but there were others that were 90. Add 21
years to all of those ages. If the average was 50+ then, the average of
that cohort (pre-no-code era hams) is now 70+. Half (or so) of the total
are older than average (the skew toward the younger side of the graph is
not that much of an issue, in this day and age; in other words, people
who die young don't change the shape of the graph by all that much).
Most of the older than average half has been pushed past typical life
expectancies by the passage of 21 years.

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Klystron

1833. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 01:09:29 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-8830F9.21092922092012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 2000

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

[...]

> > Ham radio appeals to an older demographic.

> Ummm, no.
>
> Though the older demographic has the time and money to persue it.

> > The AVERAGE ham is probably 50+,

> Well, given that the average age of all Americans is about 40 and there
> are few people younger than the teens that get licensed, that is not
> surprising.

While there is no hard data about license holder's ages, research
done by third parties (equipment manufacturers, magazine publishers,
etc.) supports the claim that hams, overall, are older than the general
population.
Remember that we are talking about a RANGE of ages. Visualize it as a
histogram. The general population graphs as one histogram and the ham
population graphs as another. The ham histogram has much shorter bars on
the left side.

> > although there is little hard data on that point. Still,
> > the advertising department of the Geritol company believes that ham
> > radio contests are a good place to spend advertising dollars. Why do you
> > suppose they think that?

> There is no such thing as "the Geritol company", troll.

I have no intention of going to a drugstore to read the label of a
bottle of Geritol to get the name of the manufacturer. Nevertheless, the
parent corporation, whoever it is, has spent corporate funds providing
sponsorship for amateur radio contests. Why do you suppose that is? It
clearly suggests that they have developed demographic data that is
consistent with what I have posted.

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Klystron

1834. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 01:54:15 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <7n62j9-urq.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 1801

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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> [...]
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>> Though the older demographic has the time and money to persue it.
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> population.
> Remember that we are talking about a RANGE of ages. Visualize it as a
> histogram. The general population graphs as one histogram and the ham
> population graphs as another. The ham histogram has much shorter bars on
> the left side.

Since there are no 1 year old licensed amateurs and very few younger than
about 15 or 16, that is to be expected.

The general population starts at age 0 while the amateur population starts
at the age old enough to understand and pass the tests.

The driver, pilot, and many other age historgrams have little to no very
young population which makes the average age older than the general
population.

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> sponsorship for amateur radio contests. Why do you suppose that is? It
> clearly suggests that they have developed demographic data that is
> consistent with what I have posted.

Even if true, which is doubtful, so what?

Are you trying to say that being older is somehow a bad thing?

1835. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 01:58:57 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <1072j9-urq.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 1802

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> D. Stussy <spam+newsgroups@bde-arc.ampr.org> wrote:
>> > Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> the numbers mean the majority, which means greater than 50%, are still alive,
>> ignorant twit.
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>
> Look at the DISTRIBUTION of ages of all hams who were alive just

Since therer are no amateurs who got their license at age 0 to 5, and
very few at 6 to 13, of course the average amateur population is older
than the general population.

That, however, does not change the above.

1836. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 22 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 02:17:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52e622b3fe63504ca551420@google.com>
Source record: 1803
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio enthusiasts gather at Peoria Superfest - Peoria Journal Star

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 07:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGt3Bt2QDByD9696Pj1kQXfRvfc4g&url=http://www.pjstar.com/news/x1913818758/Ham-radio-enthusiasts-gather-at-Peoria-Superfest

Ham radio enthusiasts gather at Peoria Superfest
Peoria Journal Star
Lisa Spahr of St. Louis, author of "World War II Radio Heroes: Letters of Compassion," doesnt operate a ham radio, but she spoke to users about how amateur radio operators affected her family. Her great-grandmother received more than 100 letters from ...

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Reaching for the stars: Students use ham radio to talk to space station (with ... - Chattanooga Times Free Press

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 09:05 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFEpTwDj2oQAyyZQhoydtw5gTuYxQ&url=http://www.timesfreepress.com/news/2012/sep/22/reaching-for-the-stars-students-use-ham-radio/

Chattanooga Times Free Press
Reaching for the stars: Students use ham radio to talk to space station (with ...
Chattanooga Times Free Press
LaFayette Middle School students spoke with astronauts onboard the International Space Station on Friday morning as the station flew over the region. The event was organized by the Rambler Radio Club, the schools amateur radio operation organization, ...
LaFayette Middle School talks to International Space StationWDEF News 12

all 2 news articles

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The Amateur Amateur: Ready, SET 1, SET 2... - ARRL

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 06:40 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE2BNOUBcTEHahmyEvhFmgXOgzUxw&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/the-amateur-amateur-ready-set-1-set-2

The Amateur Amateur: Ready, SET 1, SET 2...
ARRL
“Gary Hoffman,” I said. “Im with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. Im

supposed to run a test on your Amateur Radio equipment." I was patient, even though I knew that the SET (Simulated Emergency Test) was supposed to start right at that very moment.

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Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day - Press-Register - al.com (blog)

Posted: 03 Sep 2012 06:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFEhzAmAIBj7C7ybzcZIZNE-eoVMA&url=http://blog.al.com/pr-community-news/2012/09/ham_radio_club_alumni_reunite.html

Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day
Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Eight of the clubs 18 amateur radio operators ("hams") gathered to test their emergency communication readiness at an outlying area not normally used for a ham radio station, where they set up portable equipment powered by generators, batteries and ...

1837. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 23 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 11:25:06 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303f6e481bbd8c04ca5cb9dc@google.com>
Source record: 1804
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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CubeSat deployment from ISS set for September 27

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nfebXsLJsFw/cubesat_deployment_from_iss_set_for_september_27.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Five cubesats launched on July 21 and now aboard the ISS have been
integrated with the J-SSOD small satellite deployer on the the Japanese
Experiment Module, also known as Kibo

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2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award to Bill Tynan, W3XO

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-ro7_mevN-o/2012_barry_goldwater_amateur_radio_award_to_bill_tynan_w3xo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Club of America announced this week that William A. Tynan, W3XO
is the recipient of its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award

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Radio Technology in Action Symposium

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f2xTgCORbBY/radio_technology_in_action_symposium.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The last in the 2012 series of the SARL Radio Technology in Action
Symposiums will be held in Cape Town on 29 September at the Cape Peninsula
University of Technology Bellville Campus

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Heritage Day Sprint

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tolpFBS6QlU/heritage_day_sprint.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Aim is to stimulate activity on 40 m and to promote public relations with
respect to the various Heritage sites in South Africa on 24 September
starting at 10:00 UTC and ending at 13:00 UTC

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EMF: Article on calibration of Field Strength Monitors

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SAigLV3kpto/emf_article_on_calibration_of_field_strength_monitors.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In co-operation between DARC and the national standards institute of
Germany, an article on the calibration of field strength monitors has been
published in 'Advances in Radio Science'

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NROL-36 TLE Lottery - update from DK3WN

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pPJ2LSZnUfE/nrol_36_tle_lottery.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mike Rupprecht DK3WN continues his investigation to match the NORAD
Two-Line Element Sets for Objects D to K to the CubeSats that were deployed
by the NROL-36 mission on September 13

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Chinese school club on-the-air for CQWW DX SSB Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xjeiQ3apwfQ/chinese_school_on_the_air_for_cqww_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for the YinZhou Middle School Amateur Radio Club Station, located in
NingBo City, Zhejiang Province, to be active as BY5CD during the CQWW DX
SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band entry

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3zmVSaRZPWw/september_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels.
Only a few sunspot regions are currently visible

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MTN Radio Amateur of the Year Awards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/neE1_i6MEVM/mtn_radio_amateur_of_the_year_awards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Here is an opportunity to recognise a radio amateur that has made a
contribution to amateur radio

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Help needed in the Bristol area

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Itk7YYpJXBA/help_needed_in_the_bristol_area.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Debbie Turner has contacted Southgate News with a request for help from amateurs in the Bristol/Bath area

1838. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 23 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 16:11:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3b9b531aeb2804ca60b98f@google.com>
Source record: 1805
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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NEW US Islands activations Middle & Massey Islands , Delaware

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 04:21 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362390-NEW-US-Islands-activations-Middle-amp-Massey-Islands-Delaware&goto=newpost

October 6 14:00z

W3TL ;)

Massey Island DE014 - Sussex county Delaware

N3NAH :p

Middle Island DE016 - Sussex County Delaware

Delmarva Island Hoppers will operate on both phone and cw.

2 stations per island.

Main operating frequencies are 7.250+/- & 14.260 +/- , 14.027 +/- ,
7.180+/- We will operate other bands as conditions allow.

Operation will be in memory of K3HVC(SK)

QSL via home calls with sase

Possible activation of Burtons Island DE008R if time allows

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October Sky-Rocket Boys Festival Special Events Station October 6, 2012

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 11:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362370-October-Sky-Rocket-Boys-Festival-Special-Events-Station-October-6-2012&goto=newpost

The Black Diamond Amateur Radio Club in Beckley,WV will operate a special
events station celebrating The 2012 October Sky-Rocket Boys Festival. The
event will feature Homer Hickam and the Rocket Boys from the Book and Movie
by the same name. It will be held at the Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine. For
more information on the Festival go to rocketboysfestival.com. The Special
Events Station will operate from 1500-2100 zulu on 7.250 and 14.290 plus or
minus qrm and nets, on October 6, 2012.

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Aeroham 2012

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 03:29 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362330-Aeroham-2012&goto=newpost

A group of Kazakh radio amateurs will sign /AM from hot air balloon near Almaty, Kazakhstan early in the morning on September 23, 2012. This is the first ever official airtime mobile operation from Kazakhstan to date.

1) UN8GC/AM and UN8GU/AM (led by Mike, UN8GC). Mode of operation - CW.

2) UN6QC/AM and UN6GAO/AM (led by Sergey, UN6GAO). Mode of operation - SSB.

Timing:

UN8GC/AM + UN8GU/AM - from 0200 to 0300 UTC

UN6QC/AM+UN6GAO/AM - from 0300 to 04:00 UTC

Working frequencies: UN8GC/AM+UN8GU/AM - 14025 kHz+/-QRM

UN6QC/AM+UN6GAO/AM - 14155 kHz+/-QRM

Both teams will use transceivers with 100 W output. Antenna - dipole.

It's expected for the hot air balloon to reach the altitude of 1000m AGL (about 1900 m ASL).

Each station who manages to log a QSO with /AM stations will be entitled to receive a special certificate. Certificates in electronic format will be provided free of charge. Printed ones - at cost of postage.

Certificates and electronic QSLs will be available via www.cqham.kz, LoTW. Paper QSLs via direct (don't forget SAE + 1 IRC). QSL info - www.qrz.com

Any questions - write to mike.chirkov@gmail.com

73,

Mike

1839. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 23 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 16:46:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93412630ee5a404ca61386a@google.com>
Source record: 1806
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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First two Amateurs licensed in The Republic of South Sudan

Posted: 19 Sep 2012 01:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362072-First-two-Amateurs-licensed-in-The-Republic-of-South-Sudan&goto=newpost

The Republic of South Sudan is finally active on the Amateur bands thanks to the help and guidance from the Ministry of Telecommunications and Postal Services located in Juba. The first amateur to be licensed is James Pratt (Z81A). James is from Lake Stevens, WA and licensed as K7QI. The QSL manager for Z81A is Frank Remington (K7GSE). The second operator is Diya (Z81D), and works for the UN-WFP (World Food Program). His QSL manager is Stefan Horecky (OM3JW). Also to note is the approval of the third amateur (Z88Z) who has plans to setup and operate remotely. With the list of call signs the ITU-R1 has given to South Sudan, Diya and I will work closely with the Ministry to spread the group of call signs through out all 10 States of South Sudan. For now, only Z81A and Z81D are active so please be patient with us as we do our best to confirm as many QSO's as possible.

1840. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 23 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 18:35:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340393a5b40604ca62bb55@google.com>
Source record: 1807
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Series Five Episode Twenty - Operating Aboard

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1908:series-five-episode-twenty-operating-aboard&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-epsiode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Martin (M1MRB) discusses operating aboard.

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Amateur Radio Astronomy

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 09:45 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1907:amateur-radio-astronomy&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The Radio Astronomy Group of the British Astronomical Association is holding a one-day meeting at the National Space Centre in Leicester on Saturday 27th October.

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Two commercial operations evicted from amateur bands

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 08:42 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1906:two-commercial-operations-evicted-from-amateur-bands&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Following an investigation into several member complaints, the Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced that two cases of frequency incursion have been resolved.

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Icom UK releases Amateur Radio IP Software

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 08:32 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1905:icom-uk-releases-amateur-radio-ip-software&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Icom UK has announced the launch of the RC-28 IP remote control system that allows a user to control selected Icom HF Amateur radio transceivers through an IP Network.

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California QSO Party

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 07:27 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1903:california-qso-party&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

The 46th annual California QSO Party starts at 1600 UTC on 6 October 2012, striving to have all 58 California counties on the air.

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3D2C DXpedition to Conway Reef

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 07:22 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1902:3d2c-dxpedition-to-conway-reef&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

Preparations are continuing for a large multi-national DXpedition to Conway Reef.

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End of an era for MKARS at Bletchley Park

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 07:19 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1901:end-of-an-era-for-mkars-at-bletchley-park&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

On the 1st January, 2013, the eighteen year association of the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society (MKARS) and Bletchley Park will finally come to an end, due to MKARS having to vacate their current clubhouse on the estate.

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First Thames Amateur Radio Group Meeting

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 07:12 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1900:first-thames-amateur-radio-group-meeting&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

Having completed a successful launch day at Phoenix FM, Brentwood Centre, Thames Amateur Radio Group (TARG) have announced monthly meetings

1841. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 23rd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120923200003.6EDBA33C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1808
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 23rd September 2012

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

After the group's very successful outing to the Inistioge Vintage Rally in August SEARG have been invited by IVETA (Irish Vintage Engine & Tractor Association) to take part in the National IVETA Indoor Show which takes place on the 14th October in the Cavan Equestrian Centre which is just on the outskirts of Cavan town. We will be putting on a display of old type radios and amateur radio gear from times gone past. We will also be running a station from the event and in keeping with the theme of the event we will be using CW with the call EI2WRC/P. Any amateurs in the area of the event who would like to drop in and use the station is very welcome to do so. Further information can be got by checking our website www.searg.com or by contacting Mark (EI7IS) on 087-76302026

The current sessions of theory classes will come to an end on Wednesday the 26th September. The 4th of October is fast approaching for all those sitting the exam and SEARG would like to wish all the candidates sitting the exam the very best of luck and a special message of good luck to the "class of 2012" who have done the theory course with us. We look forward to having that much awaited first QSO with all of you soon. SEARG hope to run further classes in the near future if demand is great enough.

The next monthly meeting of the club will take place in Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. on Monday the 24th September. The meeting will be preceded by a committee meeting at 8.00 pm. New members are always welcome.

Cork Radio Club

Cork Radio Club will meet on Tuesday next, September 25th at the Community Centre in Carrigtwohill at 8.30pm. All amateurs and Shortwave Listeners very welcome. Enquiries to Jeremy EI5GM on 083-3317710 .

South Dublin Radio Club - Saorview

Talk on Saorview Tuesday 25th of September. With only a matter of days until analogue TV transmissions cease in Ireland, South Dublin Radio Club will be again giving a public talk on Saorview and what people need to do before October 24th. With nearly 200,000 households not yet ready, facing possible loss of TV channels now is the time to inform and help neighbours and relatives with this technology challenge.

South Dublin radio club will be giving a talk, a demonstration and answering questions on what is happening and what new channels and equipment are available. The talk will also be useful for those who want to save money by switching from pay TV providers to the free Saorview platform.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held October 3rd, October 17th, October 31st. All are welcome to enrol and this will be a fun learning experience. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

DX News

Further to last week's mention of possible activity from the Republic of South Sudan two stations are now active on the bands. Jim KQ7I is now on the air as Z81A and Diya YI1DZ is signing Z81D. QSL Z81A via K7GSE and Z81D via OM3JW.

On the evening of 17 September a station signing Z60K started up on 20m SSB. This station is operating from the Republic of Kosovo. Among the international operators are well known calls such as Martti OH2BH, Nigel G3TXF and Bob MD0CCE. At the time of writing it is unclear if this station will count as a new entity for DXCC.

A multi-national team will activate Conway Reef in the South Pacific starting 26 September until 5 October. The callsign will be 3D2C and QSLs go via YT1AD. The IOTA reference for this one is OC-112.

Martin G3ZAY and Rob M0VFC are on the way to Tristan da Cunha in the South Atlantic. They hope to arrive there around 27 September and be active until 4 October. They will use the callsign ZD9UW and operate on CW, SSB and RTTY. IOTA reference is AF-029.

The well-travelled DXer Willi DJ7RJ will be QRV from Reunion Island as FR/DJ7RJ from 26 September until 21 October. He plans to be active on all bands 160-10m CW and SSB.

IRTS Shop update

Our friends at RSGB the Society has agreed to give a 10% discount to IRTS members on purchases from the RSGB Shop. IRTS members should select the "Non members Price" before placing the order and then enter the special IRTS Discount Code during the checkout process. At this point the 10% discount will be calculated. IRTS members, who are also RSGB members, should continue to select the "RSGB Member's Price" to get the RSGB Member's discount and not use the IRTS Discount Code. It is not possible to obtain both discounts! The IRTS Discount Code will change from time to time and will be published for members in Echo Ireland. Just follow the 'Book Sales' link on the IRTS website.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1842. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1080

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-23 23:41:05 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <7048.64096.qm@smtp113.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1809
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1080
September 24, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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**** IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM EDITOR: There will not be a bulletin next week, and this week's will not be mailed out to the subscribers on the OPDX Mailing List. The server (hamnet.org) that hosts the OPDX mailing list, as well as the E-mail received for the bulletins, has failed on September 20th and will not be back online until possibly October 1st due to commitments. I may be able to post special announcements on the OPDX Web page and the NODXA FaceBook Page (see URLs below). Please pass the word and I hope to be back in print in a couple of weeks..... 73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 16th-September, through Sunday, 23rd-September there were 219 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T33, T5, T7, T8, TA,

TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9X, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z6, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF. A large multi-national team of 19 operators will arrive on Conway Reef (OC-112) located in the South Pacific Ocean on September 26th, and complete their DXpedition on October 5th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. Suggested frequencies were in OPDX.1045. QSL via YT1AD, direct (w/SAE or SASE + 1 USD for normal postage, 2 USDs for Airmail), by the Bureau or use the OQRS on the Web page. For more details and updates, visit the 3D2C Web page at: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

5H, TANZANIA. Harald, DL7VSN, will once again be active from Tanzania between September 23rd and October 13th. Activity this time will be from two locations (dates not provided) using the following callsigns: 5H1HS from Zanzibar Island (AF-032) and 5H1HS/3 from Lazy Lagoon Island (not an IOTA). Operations are usually 160-10 meters using mainly CW and RTTY. He will use various dipoles with 100 watts. QSL via his home call-sign. Visit his Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/dl7vsn

C6, BAHAMAS. Jay, K2TTT, will be active as C6ATT from New Providence Island (NA-001) between June 8-15th, 2013. Activity will be on 40-10 meters. QSL via K2TTT.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
3B8/IW5ELA (Mauritius) JY8VB (Jordan)
9A8VB (Croatia) UN/UA4WHX (Kazakhstan)
4O7VB (Montenegro) YU9VB (Serbia)
E40VB (Palestine) Z38VB (Macedonia)
E7/UA4WHX (Bosnia-Herzegovina) ZA/UA4WHX (Albania)
EY8/UA4WHX (Tajikistan)
All operations were conducted in 2012

FR, REUNION ISLAND (Cancelled). Willi, DJ7RJ, who was expected to be active as FR/DJ7RJ from Reunion Island between September 26th and October 21st, has announced he had to cancel his trip. No reason given.

FS, ST. MARTIN. Operators John/K9EL and Nick/K9NB will be active as FS/K9EL and FS/K9NB from St. Martin between November 20-28th. Their activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). Outside of the contest, they will be active on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Schedules are welcome before and after the contest. QSL via their home callsigns. They plan to upload their logs to ClubLog and LoTW during the operation.

IOTA NEWS.............
AS-136. Operators Dale/BA4TB (Leader), Mi/BD4TQ, Tim/BD4TJ, Ni/BD4TR,
and Zhou/BG4TVT will be active from Hengsha Island between
October 1-4st. Activity will be on 40-10 meters. QSL via
their home callsigns.

EU-114. Members of the Martello Tower Group (G0PKT) will be activating
the Island of Herm as GP0PKT between October 4-8th. Herm is
one of the smallest Channel Islands, and although it's part of
the EU-114 IOTA group, it's not activated very often. Activity
will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using SSB and RTTY. There
will be two stations running simultaneously. QSL via G6NHU.
For more details, see: http://www.martellotowergroup/gp0pkt

NA-213. Members of several clubs from Atlanta will activate Sand Island
Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-723), Dauphin Island, in the state of
Alabama, between September 25-30th. The special callsign will
be K4D from this rarely activated island. Operators mentioned
are Ricky/K4JTT (team leader), Steve/KC4YBO, Tim/WK4U, Ernie/
KJ4VUX, John/KI4IYC, James/N4DU and Joe/WD4FGB. Activity will
be on or around the IOTA frequencies on 40/20/17 meters using
CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Depending on propagation, other
bands may be activated. All QSOs will be confirmed with a 4
color QSL card, by the Bureau or direct (see QRZ.com). Also,
log will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details and
updates, see: http://www.w4bti.org
ADDED NOTE: There will be "Live Video Streaming" during this
operation at: http://www.radioodyssey.com/K4D.html

SA-087. Members of Radio Club Ria Deseado (LU1XB) report that they
having received verbal permission to be active from Pinguino
Island and are expected to be active between November 2-4th.
More details will be forthcoming.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Shuji, JA1FMN, will be active as KH0/JA1FMN from
Saipan Island (OC-086) between October 13-15th. Activity will be holiday
style on 17 and 15 meters using SSB and PSK31. He informs OPDX that if
there is a request for 12 and 10 meters, he may operate on those bands.
Operations will take place after 1800 his local time. QSL via his home
callsign, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 24-30th)....
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29

BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K= 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K= 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Bob, NQ3X, and his wife are moving to St. Croix at the end of the month. He informs OPDX that he will be "active on as many HF bands as possible as soon as possible; shipping times will dictate when I get on the air and what bands. I plan on having 80-10 available by CQWW SSB. 6m will follow when I can erect a decent antenna. I operate phone and CW. Haven't gotten into any other modes yet, though I hope to get digital modes squared away over the winter. Antennas will consist of verticals and wires (because verticals over salt-water ground planes ROCK); power will be barefoot." Bob plans to be active as KP2/NQ3X (or use a KP2 callsign) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred), LoTW or eQSL.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Operators Werner/DC8QT, Peter/DL2YCA, Hans-Peter/DF7EME, Burkhard/DF8XC, Frank/DL8LR, Helmut/DF7ZS and Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A. Visit the LX2A Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

MJ, JERSEY. Operators Kiki/SV1BRL and Fivos/SV8AQY are planning to visit Jersey Island after the annual meeting of the CLIPPERTON DX CONVENTION, and will operate for some days starting possibly on September 25th. Look for MJ/SV1BRL and MJ/SV8AQY to be active on SSB and on 80-6 meters. QSL via their home callsigns or RAAG.

MT0, ISLE OF MAN. Members of the Sands Contest Group will be active as MT0SCG from Isle of Man between September 22-28th. Operators mentioned are Andrew/G0LWU, Hughie/G4UME, Steve/G1TLQ and Paul/2E0EET. Activity will be on various HF and VHF bands. QSL via M0SCG. Visit the SCG Web page at: http://www.m0scg.org.uk

OD, LEBANON. Ted, K8NA, informs OPDX that John, OD5RW, is once again active after being off the air for a period. He is active on 80/40/20/15/10/2 meters and 70cm using SSB, FM, Packet, AMTOR, Pactor, Clover, RTTY, SSTV CW, PSK31, WEFAX and recently D-STAR. K8NA is his QSL Manager.

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Update). An international team will visit five islands belonging to Papua New Guinea between October 19th and November 4th. Operators mentioned are Derek/G3KHZ, Hans/SM6CVX, Hans-Peter/HB9BXE, Eddy/K5WQG, Axel/DL6KVA and Non-ham Stig Nyman. The team will use the boat "M/V Barbarian", and start their travels from Kokopo in New Britain on November 18th, sailing via Kavieng to Emirau. The islands scheduled by the full team will be:
October 20-24th - Callsign P29VCX; Emirau Island (OC-103) in the St. Matthias IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.
October 27-31st - Callsign P29NI; Tatau Island (OC-099) in the Tabar IOTA Group. QSL via G3KHZ.
November 2-4th - Callsign P29VPB; Lihir Island (OC-069) in the Lihir

IOTA Group. QSL Manager TBA.
The main team will fly home on November 6th. However, Hans/SM6CVX
and Stig Nyman will continue to Buka on the "M/V Barbarian", and plan
to activate the following:
November 6-9th - Callsign P29VCX; Buka Island (OC-135) in the Solomon
Island IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.
November 9-12th - Callsign P29VCX; Manu Island (OC-205) in the Admiralty
Island IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.

Activity will probably be 40-10 meters using mostly CW with some SSB
just like last year's activity. They do have a Web page at:
http://www.p29ni.yolasite.com

PJ4, BONAIRE. Marco, PE2MC, is planning to return to Bonaire between
November 9-17th, and be active as PJ4/PE2MC. Watch for more details
and updates at: http://www.pe2mc.nl/bonaire-here-we-come-pj4pe2mc
QSL via his home callsign.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated Setember 18th)

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4S7QHG via JR3QHQ ED5BT via EA5BT SN2012FBS via SP3YAC
4S7TEG via 7M3FMR JT1EV via JA6EV UP100GS via UN7EX
4S7UJG via JA3UJR OF3I via OH3BHL VK9XS via JA1PBV
9Q6AL via DF9TA PJ2/PD4JOF via PD4JOF Z60K via G3TXF

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
-- PLEASE NOTE: No QSL-Infos from DL1SBF next Sunday --

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5N6/YL2SW, 5W1SA, A35YZ, A61K, D64K, E51EWP,
E51M, FS/F8PDR, LX7I, RI1ANF and VU2NXM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4J0SFR, 4L1MA, CP6XE, E40VB, EA1CYK/P, H44UD,
JG8NQJ/JD1, OH0JV, TJ3AY, TK/DL1RTL, V5/DJ2HD and VK9NMZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4B2EX, 4C1JPG, 5Z4/JA7SGV, 6H1J, 6I2D, 6Y1V,
8N3N, 9H3KW, 9H3TA, 9M6/OH2YY, 9Q6AL, AH0J, C21YY, C6ABR, CE0Z/OH2MXS,
CT7/OH2MG, CU2CE, CU2X, DV1/JO7KMB, JD1BLY, OH0BHU, OH0GG, OH0JTU,
OH0X, OH0XX, OH0YY, OH0/OH1CA, OH0/OH3WS, OJ0B, OJ0MC, OJ0/OH2FNZ,
VK9CM, VK9XM, XE1AC, XE1AY, XE1J, XE1KK, XE1RBV, XE1REW and XE2AA

SILENT KEY (Ham Killed In Attack). The ARRL Web page reports: "Sean P.
Smith, KG4WSS, of Falls Church, Virginia, was killed when the U.S.
Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, was attacked on September 11th. He was 34.
Smith was one of four Americans, including Chris Stevens -- the U.S.
Ambassador to Libya -- who was killed in the attack. Read the complete
story at:
http://www.arrl.org/news/view/sean-smith-kg4wss-killed-in-consulate-attack
OPDX and its readers send out our deepest sympathy to the family and
friends of KG4WSS.

T33, BANABA ISLAND. It was announced by Jay/W2IJ and David/N1EMC: "We are still looking for a few operators, so if you have previous DXpedition experience working SSB/CW pileups, don't mind a few days on a boat, and love to operate in miserable conditions on tiny equatorial islands in the middle of nowhere that nobody's ever heard of, please send an E-mail to <banaba@t33a.com>. Serious inquiries only please."

TF, ICELAND. Members of the "Tango Fox Radio Foxes" will be active as TF2RR during the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 29-30th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via TF3AO. Operators mentioned are Andres/TF3AM, Seli/TF3AO and Jon/TF3PPN.

VK0, MACQUARIE ISLAND. The "DX-World.net" is reporting that Steve, VK3ZAZ, hopes to be active from Macquarie Island over the 2013/14 winter. Activity will be on all bands with priority given to 6m. More details will be forthcoming.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. Larry, KE2VB, will be active as VP2V/KE2VB from a house 450 ft. above Cooten Bay on Tortola between the evening of February 27th and March 4th. He informs OPDX that he will leave the island on March 5th. He is going there to be in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. He also mentions that he will using a TH-3 tribander and dipoles on 40 and 80 meters; no 160, no WARC. Larry will be active on both SSB and CW before the contest. QSL via KE2VB. ADDED NOTE: Larry states, "This is my first ARRL DX SSB contest from the Caribbean since I left my contest station, WP2Z, in 1998. I am the builder and original operator of the WP2Z station on St. Croix."

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Dave, W5CW, will once again be active as VP5/W5CW from the VP5JM Hamlet QTH on the Island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 1476) between November 20th and December 11th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Dave also plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry and using the callsign VP5CW. QSL direct to his home callsign (QRZ.com address) at: PO Box 88, Morris, OK 74445-0088 U.S.A.

VP9, BERMUDA. Operators Ray/ND8L and Jamie/WW3S will once again be active as VP9I from Ed/VP9GE's QTH for the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 29-30th). QSL VP9I via N1HRA only. Outside of the contest, look for them to be active as VP9/WW3S and VP9/ND8L. The duo will be there between September 27th and October 1st. Conditions permitting, there will be an emphasis on the 30/17/12 meter bands pre and post contest. QSLs for VP9/ND8L are preferred though LoTW or his home CBA with SASE. LoTW QSOs from VP9/ND8L will be uploaded by 10/5/2012. QSLs for VP9/WW3S are via his home CBA with SASE or LoTW.

YJ, VANUATU. Daniel, VK4AFU, will be active as YJ0AFU, from Port Vila between November 3-10th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using mainly the JT65A mode. They may be "a little" 160 meters. Daniel states that 6 meters will be priority when open and should be mostly on CW, SSB and JT65 on request. He will be using a FT857 w/100w into a 2 element ◆ wave vertical phased 40m, OCF Dipole 80-10M and a 2 element F8DR beam

for 50 MHz. QSL via NA5U.

Z6, KOSOVO (WFWL!). The big news this week has been the activity from the Republic of Kosovo. As this was being written, NOTHING has been announced yet from the ARRL's DXCC Desk on the DXCC status for Kosovo. The ARRL Great Lakes Division Director Jim Weaver, K8JE, informed everyone on September 19th: "Of interest to DXers is the current operation from Kosovo -- Z60K. I want to ensure that everyone interested in QSOing this activity understands it does not qualify for DXCC credit. This is because Kosovo is neither a member of the United Nations nor does it have an ITU-issued callsign block. At this time, Kosovo does not meet the established requirements of the DXCC program. It is legal and fun to work the station, but as the situation currently exists, it will not count toward DXCC."
During the past week, the OPDX Desk has been sending out a few special bulletins via the mailing lists and the NODXA FaceBook page trying to keep everyone up-to-date. In short, activity by Z60K has been seen on 40/30/20/17/15 meters on the DXCluster network. Currently, on the Kosovo's Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) Web page, under regulations of the "Amateur Radio Services" (which is a draft and can be downloaded) it does not provide authorization of operations on 80, 12, 10 or 6 meters. This can be viewed at: http://www.art-ks.org/?cid=13,419&sqr=ateur
Excerpts from press releases on the TRA Web page and QRZ.com, state that the Z60K callsign is issued to the new Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo, SHRAK, and will be active from new premises as soon as these are fixed. SHRAK President, Sabit, Z61AA, together with Ali, Z61DD, are heading these efforts. Many individual new licensees are scheduled to be operating at the new Z60K station very soon. Also, individual visitor licensing is now in place, and the first visitor license was issued at a gathering hosted by the Administrators and attended by all new local hams as well as their instructors. Emir, 9A6AA, part of the Kosovo IARU Project, was issued the callsign Z6/9A6AA and was active as this was being written. He informed OPDX that he made 300 QSOs as ZA/9A6AA. An application for a visitor license can be printed from the Administrators' (TRA) Web site but, in the short term, you can obtain an application form from any of the current Kosovo instructors; G3TXF, N2BB/MD0CCE, OH2TA or OH2BH. They also suggest, "Be prepared as the contesting season is also just around the corner, and make sure to add Z6 to your master multiplier database and expect Z6 stations to appear on the air."
ADDED NOTE: On Thursday, September 20th, a copy of the Z60K license appeared on QRZ.com, showing that the license was issued by the TRA to IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, good between September 17-24th. <http://files.qrz.com/k/z60k/Z60Kauthorization.jpg>
However, reports indicate the operation went QRT on the 22nd.
Currently, the Z60K operation has posted the log online at ClubLog at: http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=0K#r
As of 1658z, September 22nd, Z60K has made a total of 18545 QSOs with 8676 Unique callsigns (10167/CW and 8378/SSB). Breakdown by continent is: 203/AF, 0/AN, 2305/AS, 11283/EU, 4428/NA, 102/OC and 224/SA. QSL Z60K via G3TXF.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA (Update). The ZD9UW team of Martin/G3ZAY and Robert/M0VFC is now down to one operator for the upcoming Tristan da Cunha operation. According to the ZD9UW Web page: "Martin, G3ZAY, has been forced to cancel his onward journey from Cape Town to Tristan. Rob, M0VFC, will still continue and be active as ZD9UW. This means that it's now a single operator activation and will concentrate primarily on SSB with some RTTY. Since our goal is to enable as many people as possible to work ZD9 for the first time, this means the number of bands we can activate will be limited - concentrating mostly on the higher bands. We're sorry if this means you don't get to work us on the particular slots you were after - we'll do our best given the situation!"
By the time you read this, Rob, M0VFC, will be aboard the MV "Baltic Trader" and embark on a seven day journey over the South Atlantic Ocean. Weather permitting, he should arrive on Tristan around the 27th of September, where he will operate until the 4th of October before returning to Cape Town. For more details and updates, visit their Web page at: http://www.zd9uw.org.uk

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Press Release). Ed, VK2ARE, Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR, sent out the following on September 20th: "IT'S ON IT'S WAY! - The ZL9HR 'Logistics team' are very pleased to announce that the packed equipment crates have left the DX'Pedition's Sydney base heading south to New Zealand, on schedule and in plenty of time to progress through the required quarantine formalities with the authorities on the New Zealand mainland before the final leg of the trip by sea with the operations team down to Campbell Island in the great southern ocean for the activation between November 28th and December 9th. Please refer to the Web site ZL9HR.COM for the full, up-to-date, information about this major DX'Pedition to the Great Southern Ocean. 73 from Ed VK2ARE"
By the way, the ZL9HR team also has a FaceBook page which shows the packed equipment crates at: https://www.facebook.com/#!/Zl9hr

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

1843. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 00:49:26 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-7E7C6B.20492523092012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 1810

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

[...]

> > While there is no hard data about license holder's ages, research
> > done by third parties (equipment manufacturers, magazine publishers,
> > etc.) supports the claim that hams, overall, are older than the general
> > population.
> > Remember that we are talking about a RANGE of ages. Visualize it as a
> > histogram. The general population graphs as one histogram and the ham
> > population graphs as another. The ham histogram has much shorter bars on
> > the left side.

> Since there are no 1 year old licensed amateurs and very few younger than
> about 15 or 16, that is to be expected.
>
> The general population starts at age 0 while the amateur population starts
> at the age old enough to understand and pass the tests.
>
> The driver, pilot, and many other age historgrams have little to no very
> young population which makes the average age older than the general
> population.

It is widely believed that hams are significantly older than the
general population and that that is not the result of having an
(effective) minimum age as a result of licensing. It is because ham
radio appeals to an older demographic, much like shuffleboard or
canasta. Do you wish to offer any sort of substantiation for your
position? I mentioned Geritol's corporate involvement in support of my
statement.

> >> > although there is little hard data on that point. Still,
> >> > the advertising department of the Geritol company believes that ham
> >> > radio contests are a good place to spend advertising dollars. Why do you
> >> > suppose they think that?

> >> There is no such thing as "the Geritol company", troll.

> > I have no intention of going to a drugstore to read the label of a
> > bottle of Geritol to get the name of the manufacturer. Nevertheless, the
> > parent corporation, whoever it is, has spent corporate funds providing
> > sponsorship for amateur radio contests. Why do you suppose that is? It
> > clearly suggests that they have developed demographic data that is
> > consistent with what I have posted.

> Even if true, which is doubtful, so what?

Why is it doubtful? Look it up. I heard contesters exchanging numbers just a year or two ago ('my Geritol number is x'). Perhaps you could ask someone who is involved in contests. For someone who has strong opinions and makes a lot of emphatic statements, actual, objective facts don't seem to play much of a role in your life.

> Are you trying to say that being older is somehow a bad thing?

I stated that most of the pre-no-code-era hams are now dead. All of this is to corroborate that statement, which you have disputed.

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Klystron

1844. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 01:25:16 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <scp4j9-196.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 1811

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> It is widely believed that hams are significantly older than the
> general population

So what?

Lots of things are "widely believed" that are not true and even if this
is true, so what?

> I stated that most of the pre-no-code-era hams are now dead. All of
> this is to corroborate that statement, which you have disputed.

Nope, you said the majority, which means greater than 50% while most
implies a more significant percentage.

Even if the majority have died, that would mean there are close to 400,000
who haven't.

Again, so what?

1845. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 01:56:50 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-D9456D.21565023092012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 1812

jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> > It is widely believed that hams are significantly older than the
> > general population

> So what?
>
> Lots of things are "widely believed" that are not true and even if this
> is true, so what?

I offered some factual details on that point and you edited that out.
You aren't really trying to get to the truth, are you?

> > I stated that most of the pre-no-code-era hams are now dead. All of
> > this is to corroborate that statement, which you have disputed.

> Nope, you said the majority, which means greater than 50% while most
> implies a more significant percentage.

You are a fool and I will not respond to any more of your posts.

> Even if the majority have died, that would mean there are close to 400,000
> who haven't.
>
> Again, so what?

It means that Morse is going away. Its zealots are dying off. Beeps
are headed for the dustbin of history. Soon, the only place that you
will hear beeps will be at historical reenactments where people in
period costume operate wood-burning, steam locomotives and send beeps to
inform the next station that they are on their way.

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Klystron

1846. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 23 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 02:17:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec518660c979b3f04ca69310b@google.com>
Source record: 1813
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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LaFayette Middle School Amateur Radio Club Contacts International Space ...
- Peach Pundit

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 03:40 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGP1nbk5y6NRXcj2D-EcMb1lG7FjA&url=http://www.peachpundit.com/2012/09/23/lafayette-middle-school-amateur-radio-club-contacts-international-space-station/

LaFayette Middle School Amateur Radio Club Contacts International Space ...
Peach Pundit
The LaFayette Middle School Amateur Radio Club (W4LMS) had the opportunity to be one of 18 schools in the entire world to make contact with the International Space Station (NA1SS), specifically with Commander Suni Williams. The students who are ...

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MTN Radio Amateur of the Year Awards - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 10:50 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEvDt2Jv4S2h8JwGXCf8x2FbfIBKg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/mtn_radio_amateur_of_the_year_awards.htm

MTN Radio Amateur of the Year Awards
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The award is made for the support, development and application of Technological Innovation in Amateur Radio in South Africa. The recipient will be a person who has promoted the use of technology in amateur radio at club level, nationally, at schools or ...

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2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award to Bill Tynan, W3XO - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 11:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFJjYZtn5jLcaBnH8DGJw1Gumdzyg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/2012_barry_goldwater_amateur_radio_award_to_bill_tynan_w3xo.htm

2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award to Bill Tynan, W3XO
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Radio Club of America announced this week that William A. Tynan, W3XO is the recipient of its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award. The award recognizes Bills lifelong service to the public through amateur radio. It

will be presented at the ...

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The Pocket Mirror: Major Bowes Amateur Hour - Midland Daily News

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 08:12 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEVwyTU1uxKA67lfj7mbavOQxn93w&url=http://www.ourmidland.com/opinion/sopinioncolumns/article_e2ca003f-379d-55af-b5c6-953e794ed90e.html

The Pocket Mirror: Major Bowes Amateur Hour
Midland Daily News
Probably the closet thing to “American Idol” now on television would be the radio equivalent of Major Bowes Amateur Hour back in the 1930s and 1940s. It didnt matter where you lived. Everybody knew who Major Bowes was and most of us listened at least ...

1847. Re: Encouraging news: most Morse-only era hams are dead

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 03:48:48 UTC
From: jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com
Message-ID: <0q15j9-e17.ln1@mail.specsol.com>
Source record: 1814

Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
> jimp@specsol.spam.sux.com wrote:
>> Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:
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>> > It is widely believed that hams are significantly older than the
>> > general population
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>> So what?
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>> Lots of things are "widely believed" that are not true and even if this
>> is true, so what?
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>
> I offered some factual details on that point and you edited that out.
> You aren't really trying to get to the truth, are you?

I have seen nothing but some bad statistics and veiled innuendo that
being old is bad and having passed a morse test is bad.

What is your point, if any?

>> > I stated that most of the pre-no-code-era hams are now dead. All of
>> > this is to corroborate that statement, which you have disputed.
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>> Nope, you said the majority, which means greater than 50% while most
>> implies a more significant percentage.
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>
> You are a fool and I will not respond to any more of your posts.

You are a trolling twit.

>> Even if the majority have died, that would mean there are close to 400,000
>> who haven't.
>>
>> Again, so what?
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>
> It means that Morse is going away. Its zealots are dying off. Beeps
> are headed for the dustbin of history. Soon, the only place that you
> will hear beeps will be at historical reenactments where people in
> period costume operate wood-burning, steam locomotives and send beeps to
> inform the next station that they are on their way.

OK, now I got it.

You were never able to do even 5 WPM and hated everyone that could and here you are years after the requirement is gone still drooling, spiting bile and obsessing over your failure.

It must really put your panties into a twist that interest in morse is growing these days even though there is no requirement for it.

1848. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 24 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 06:36:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc6992f1b5304ca6ccd35@google.com>
Source record: 1815
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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W3RRR Hamfest - October 6, 2012

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 07:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362517-W3RRR-Hamfest-October-6-2012&goto=newpost

The Red Rose Repeater Association will hold its annual hamfest on October 6, 2012 at West Earl Community Park, Talmage, PA (Brownstown area). Further details are available at: kb3owf@gmail.com . Website is located at w3rrr.org

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The Rock Hill Hamfest - Our 60th Big Year

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 11:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362470-The-Rock-Hill-Hamfest-Our-60th-Big-Year&goto=newpost

The 60th Rock Hill Hamfest happens on October 6, 2012. With commercial vendors, tailgating, testing and food, fun and prizes this is the one to see. Gates open at 7:00am with VE testing starting at 10:30. Tickets are $5.00 each. Go to www.rockhillhamfest.com for more info.

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Parkersburg area hamfest

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 02:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362386-Parkersburg-area-hamfest&goto=newpost

WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL HAMS AND THIER FAMILY TO ATTEND THE PARKERSBURG AREA HAMFEST ON OCT 13TH 2012, AT THE 4H CAMP GROUNDS LOCATED IN MINERAL WELLS WV. COST IS $5 FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER ARE FREE WITH ADULT ENTRY. DOORS OPEN AT 8AM AND CLOSE AT 2PM. DOOR PRIZES WILL BE DRAWN EVERY FIVE MINUTES WITH MAIN PRIZES BEING DRAWN AT NOON. (MAYBE SUBJECT TO CHANGE) MORE INFO AND DIRECTIONS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE WWW.WC8EC.COM

1849. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 24 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 11:08:10 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bac43535df204ca709a3f@google.com>
Source record: 1816
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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WIA President SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PunVmHVfMZM/wia_president_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is with deep sadness that we report the sudden and unexpected passing of
Wireless Institute of Australia President, and IARU Region 3 Chairman,
Michael Owen VK3KI, after suffering a medical condition at his home on the
afternoon of Saturday the 22nd of September

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John Beanland G3BVU SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Y2D_95rqXVE/john_beanland_g3bvu_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT has received the sad news of the passing of John Beanland, G3BVU.
John was an avid AMSAT member and helped man the AMSAT booth at the Boxboro
Hamfest over the years

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The Computer-based Communications Revolution

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fcOmmdz3Jlc/the_computer_based_communications_revolution.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this 1990 unedited video from the WGBH Open Vault, Steve Jobs,
co-founder of Apple and founder of NeXT, talks about how desktop computers
would revolutionize person-to-person communications

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Talk on Saorview Tuesday 25th of September

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bN1FF96yhNo/saorview_talk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With only a matter of days until analogue TV transmissions cease in
Ireland, South Dublin Radio Club will be again giving a public talk on
Saorview and what people need to do before October 24th

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_wWK-1g8SEI/dxcc_report_2409.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
16th-September, through Sunday, 23rd-September there were 219 countries
active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bL1AAckbZzk/september_24.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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SARL 80m Club Championship

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ltkWDzkSYr8/sarl_80m_club_championship.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SARL SSB Contest will be on the air from 17:30 to 18:30 UTC on
Wednesday evening 26 September 2012

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zovBJi4EySI/history_24_september.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1850. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 12:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20120924120003.CD2E233C53@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1817
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 23rd September 2012

The news headlines:

* First RSGB ARDF world champion

* Olympics temporary operating restrictions end tonight

* RSGB Convention looks to be best ever

The Amateur Radio Union of Serbia hosted the 16th IARU World ARDF Championships last weekend and one of the RSGB M70 team gave the Society its first gold medal winner. Bob Titterington, G3ORY won the M70 section in the Second ARDF Classic, run on September 14. He completed the course in 98 minutes 59 seconds, finding all four hidden transmitters on the course and finishing almost a minute in front of second placed DL9MFI. Congratulations to Bob for this well deserved gold medal. The ARDF Committee will have a stand at the RSGB Convention this year and Bob will be giving a talk on the ARDF Championships on Saturday 13 October.

Following the success of the London 2012 Olympic Games, the Ofcom temporary operating restrictions on 70cm and the microwave bands comes to an end at midnight tonight, Sunday 23 September. For those who took part in the Olympics QSO Party, remember that logs should be submitted by 30 September. A talk on the Olympics & Amateur Radio will feature at the RSGB Convention on 13 and 14 October.

Tickets for the RSGB Convention 2012 have been selling very well and the Saturday night dinner is now sold out. Convention packages are still available that include the dinner. Other individual elements including a limited number of rooms, day tickets, Friday dinner etc are still available. The continued success of the RSGB Convention is such that we continue to grow year after year and 2012 looks like being the best yet. If you would like to book a package or other elements of the RSGB Convention 2012 please visit www.rsgbevents.org.

The Fife Digital repeater GB7DE is now reconnected to the D-Star network. GB7DE, which operates on the 2m and 70cm bands, has been without an internet connection since December 2010. A new admin team was formed and they have all donated the equipment, materials and time to get this D-Star repeater back onto an internet gateway connection to allow linking to the outside world. The admin team hope that repeater users will continue to support the repeater so that the annual rental

and maintenance can continue. Visit the website at www.gb7de.co.uk for details.

The long awaited deployment of five CubeSats from the International Space Station will take place on Thursday, September 27. Four of the micro sized birds carry amateur radio payloads. These are identified as F-1, FITSAT-1, WE- WISH and TechEdSat. More about this microsat project is online at www.uk.amsat.org/10119.

The Republic of South Sudan has issued its first amateur radio licence. The callsign Z81A went to Jim Pratt, who also holds the US callsign K7QI. The second licence was Z81D, issued to Diya Al Sadi, YI1DZ. Both are reportedly now on the air.

This weekend sees the fifth annual Railways on the Air event – a celebration, not a contest. Bishop Auckland RAC organise the weekend so that radio amateurs have a good time and promote amateur radio while helping to celebrate the unique position railways hold in our national heritage. Approximately 30 groups and individuals have registered for the event by approaching a preserved railway, asking if they are celebrating the birth of passenger railways in this country and whether they would like to have an amateur radio station as part of their event to promote awareness of their railway. The list of participating groups can be seen on the web site http://rota.barac.org.uk. This year both the participating groups and any amateur who contacts 5 or more ROTA special event stations over the weekend will receive a personalised poster recognising their efforts. These can be obtained after the event by submitting logs in pdf format as detailed on the website.

Copyright – RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 24 September 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Videos of presentations given to the AMSAT-UK International Space Colloquium 2012 on Saturday, September 15 are now available online. Thanks to the British Amateur Television Club volunteers the presentation are available at www.batc.tv. Click on Film Archive and select AMSAT 2012 in Category box.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Great Northern Hamfest takes place today, 23 September, at the Barnsley Metrodome, Queens Road, Barnsley. The post code for those with a satnav is S71 1AN. Follow the large brown Metrodome signs from the A roads into town. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and clubs, disabled facilities, family attractions, prize draw, free parking and extensive catering facilities including a licensed bar and restaurant. Doors open at 11am. For more information contact Ernie, G4LUE, on 01226 716 339.

The National Hamfest, brought to you by the RSGB in association with the Lincoln Short Wave Club, takes place on Friday 28 and Saturday 29 September in the George Stephenson Pavilion, Newark and Nottinghamshire Showground, Lincoln Road, Winthorpe, Newark NG24 2NY. The venue is

close to the junction of the A1, A46 and A17. There will be a wide variety of trade stands as well as a Bring & Buy and RSGB bookstand inside the main hall. Outside will be the car boot sale area. Several RSGB Committees will be represented, including the RSGB QSL Bureau, and there will also be a number of HQ staff present.

Advance notice now for a free to attend talk by the IET on the future of the radio spectrum. It takes place in Bromley on 3 October. The use of the radio spectrum is continuously evolving with new standards, services and the ever higher number of devices and users. What this all means to spectrum management and interference problems will be discussed by Richard Holmes. The lecture takes place at 10am for a 10.30am start at Bromley Central Library, High Street, Bromley BR1 1RS. There is no need to pre- register for this event.

Now for the news of special events

To celebrate the 39th Ryder Cup, GB39RC will be operational from Verulam Golf Club in St Albans until 30 September. Operation will be on 10, 15, 20 and 40m using mostly CW and RTTY. Full details of the QSL route is given on QRZ.com.

Taking part in Railways on the Air over this weekend will be South Lancs ARC using GB1BAS, Huntingdonshire ARS operating GB0NVR, GB50WVR from the Keighley & Worth Valley Railway and Preston ARS activating GB0LMR.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The World-Wide DX Group will operate as 3D2C from the remote South Pacific atoll of Conway Reef. This DXpedition will take place from 24 September to 5 October. They plan to target European contacts during those periods when propagation is possible and will ask Japan and North America to stand by during those brief periods when the bands are open to Europe. QSL Manager is YT1AD. They will have OQRS (online QSL request) and will accept direct and bureau QSL cards. They plan to upload the logs to Club Log on a daily basis.

Harald, DL7VSN will be on the air as 5H1HS from Zanzibar from 23 September to 13 October. This includes 5H1HS/3 during a short trip to Lazy Lagoon Island. QSL to his home callsign.

Enrico, IK2FIL will be active as 6V7X from Le Calao, Senegal from September 24 to October 4. Activity will be on the HF bands. This includes an entry in the upcoming CQ WW RTTY contest as a Single Op/Low Power entry. QSL via the operator's instructions.

Ron, N6XT and John, N7CQQ are on the air as KH8/home callsign from Tutuila Island, IOTA OC-045, until October 1. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL direct to home calls.

Tommy, VK2IR, Peter, VK2NN and their families will stay on Hawaii until 6 October and plan to work in holiday style as KH6/homecalls on 10m to

40m during this time. QSL via VK2IR.

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Today, Sunday 23rd, the Practical Wireless 70MHz Contest runs from 1200 to 1600UTC. It has a Low Power section, that's 10 watts in this contest, and Open sections. Scoring is 1 point per contact, multiplied by the number of Locator squares worked. Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. As this is the 80th anniversary year of Practical Wireless, expect a good turnout.

The BARTG Sprint 75 also takes place today, 23 September. Available sections are Single Operator Expert and Single Operator All Band. Running from 1700 to 2100UTC and using bands from 3.5 to 28MHz, the exchange is the serial number.

On Tuesday, the 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on Tuesday, the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to 2130UTC. Using all modes on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 80m Cub Sprint takes place from 1900 to 2000UTC on 27 September. Using CW only, the exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name.

The final weekend of the month brings the CQWW DX Contest. This month it's RTTY and it runs for the whole 48 hours of 29 and 30 September. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands the exchange is signal report and Zone, which in the UK is 14.

The final event in September is the UK Microwave Group Cumulatives, which take place on the 5.7 to 24GHz bands for six hours between 1000 and 1500UTC on Sunday 30th. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 14th to Thursday the 20th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 21st of September.

As forecast, the quiet side of the Sun was looking our way and with it solar activity was at very low levels, at least till the 17th when activity increased to low levels. Occasional C class solar flares started to take place every day from the 17th until the end of the period. This rise in activity was due to a couple of sunspot groups approaching the solar limb prior to rotating into view on the 18th and the 19th. Solar flux levels increased from 97 units on the 16th to 117 by the 20th. The average was 104 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 20th was 122 units, that's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels increased slightly from B1.5 units on the 14th to B2.7 by the 20th. The average was B2 units. Geomagnetic activity started at

quiet levels but by mid afternoon on the 19th a weak coronal hole disturbance commenced and lasted just about to the end of the period. The most disturbed day was the 19th, with an Ap index of 14 units. The average was Ap 8 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 350 kilometres per second on the 16th to 620 kilometres per second on the 20th. Particle densities were low but increased to 14 particles per cubic centimetre on the 20th. Bz varied between minus 3 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 11 and plus 13 nanoTeslas on the most disturbed day.

And finally the solar forecast from Sunday the 23rd of September. This week solar activity is expected to be at low levels, however, there is a chance that activity could increase to moderate levels on some days particularly later in the week. Solar flux levels should increase every day and by next weekend be around the 130's, or maybe slightly higher. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet but could increase late in the week due to a small recurring coronal hole. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 25MHz for the south and 22MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 19MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0900 and 1200 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB

website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night on Monday. Next Sunday there's a talk on making TV shows by Tom, M6IDT. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday there's a curry night at Monsoon. The AGM is on Tuesday, and on Friday there's a club trip to the RSGB National Hamfest and a social evening in the shack. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and on Friday there is a

club net on GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Central Radio Amateur Circle runs its Intermediate course on Tuesday via Skype with MX0PPC. Thursday sees a night on the air on 145.300MHz from 8pm. Friday sees a visit to the RSGB National Hamfest. Next Saturday is a plug & play day at Barr Beacon, Beacon Road, Walsall, from 10am. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is meeting with other local clubs from Wednesday at Newark and Nottingham Showground to prepare for the National Hamfest. Traders arrive on Thursday and the Hamfest is on Friday and Saturday. Next Sunday sees the clean-up operation after the event. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is having training classes on Thursday with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Friday sees shack and aerial work and there's a visit to the RSGB National Hamfest on Saturday. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a review of club equipment and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society has a club net on 145.525MHz from 8pm. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a Morse fun night. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday Tamworth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on HF QRP by Gareth Albrighton. Contact Darren, by email to secretary@tars.es.

On Friday Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is having an HF night. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

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NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Today, Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding the 22nd Great Northern Rally. On Monday there's a debrief from the rally and the Advanced course continues. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR,

on 01914 770 036.

South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its monthly technical forum on Monday. On Thursday there's a talk on Alan Turing by Dave, G4UGM. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on operating HF portable using a magnetic loop and the Buddipole system by Colin Shaw, M5FRA. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday Tyne & Wear Repeater Group is holding its AGM. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Workington and District Radio and IT Group is having an update on software defined radio by Kevin, M0KHZ. For more information get in touch with Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092.

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is putting the club station on the air. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is setting up for SSTV and MGM. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is building a data mode interface. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having a night on the air from 7.30 on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Goole Radio and Electronics Society is having a dish antenna update by Steve, G8VHL. Contact Ken, G6YYN, on 01757 638 539.

On Friday East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a bring in something interesting evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society has Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday Lothians Radio Society is visiting the Museum of Communication, Burntisland, for a talk on marine communication by Prof Tom Stevenson. Contact Alan J Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

On Friday Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is holding its second 144MHz DF hunt. Meet in the Old Ship Inn car park. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz on Monday from 8pm. On Wednesday there is a talk on tuned circuits by John, G3KND, at 7.30 for 8pm. Friday sees a 2m net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air on Wednesday. Thursday sees the 80m CW Sprint contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. Today, East Kent Radio Society has its Stelling Minnis meeting and picnic. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is running a 70cm club net. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on the Sun and HF radio propagation by Dr Colin Forsyth of MSSL. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday Harwell Amateur Radio Society has a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday Stevenage & District Amateur Radio Society is watching the BS7H, 3B7C & T32C DXpedition videos. Contact Martin Juhe, M0XJP, on 07973 793 770.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and holding a club net via GB3VA & GB3AL. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is at the Taplin Centre, with a talk on medical electronics by Steve Balkam. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society will commence a period of operations from Crofton Beam Engines using GB4CBE. All are welcome; please get in touch to confirm the actual days of activity. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal meeting and Bright Sparks, with the shack and workshop open. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a visit by an RSGB representative and holding an open forum. Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday Darenth Valley Radio Society is having a talk on coastal navigation by Mike, G8AXA. Details from Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Thursday Edgware & District Radio Society is running short bursts of operating in between chores and other activities. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on hardware for PSK operation by M0VTG. Details from David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting Duxford Amateur Radio Club. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 24 September 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Dark Arts by John, M0JWS. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on broadband and mobile data myths by Geoff, G3ROG. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having an Australian radio evening with Dick Shanahan. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

Next Sunday Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is operating GB100MWT at Sandford Mill Science and Discovery Day. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a discussion on designing your dream shack on Monday from 7pm at the Moose Centre. The 2m net is on Tuesday and the 4m net is on Thursday. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding an open house and on the air night on Thursday. Friday sees a visit to the RSGB National Hamfest. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Bristol RSGB Group Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH will speak about 3DA0PW Swaziland. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a portable RV. Contact Alan, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire ARC is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday Newquay Radio Club is having a talk on My Raspberry Pi and I by Keith Holland, G3MCD. Contact Kevin Francks, M0BFB, on 01637 851 923.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Tony, 2E0CKY on his role as a Paramedic. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Saturday Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is running a special event station at Appledore Book Festival. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air on 145.500 then 145.550MHz. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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1851. SolderSmoke Podcast for Monday 24 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 12:08:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303dd5b26b900604ca6fb117@google.com>
Source record: 1818
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.info

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Posted: 23 Sep 2012 02:47 AM PDT

SolderSmoke issue 146
This posting includes a media file:
http://www.soldersmoke.com/soldersmoke146.mp3
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1852. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 15:07:00 UTC
From: ✓ ŚŁĄ□□ĬḆąṜṯf□□□ <slarti@norway-coastline.net>
Message-ID: <k3psuo$tu8$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1819
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Tickets for the RSGB Convention 2012 have been selling very well and the Saturday night dinner is now sold out. Convention packages are still available that include the dinner. Other individual elements including a limited number of rooms, day tickets, Friday dinner etc are still available. The continued success of the RSGB Convention is such that we continue to grow year after year and 2012 looks like being the best yet. If you would like to book a package or other elements of the RSGB Convention 2012 please visit www.rsgbevents.org."

Imagine having to go for a meal with the sort of people you see at radio rallies! Unwashed, poor personal hygiene, DIY haircuts, unlaundered clothes, poor table manners etc.
Disgusting idea, and people are expected to pay to join in. A sad reflection on the hobby indeed.

1853. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 17 - 23 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 15:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20120924153001.6FB9A33C53@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1820
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Sep 24 1239 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
17 - 23 September 2012

Solar activity reached low levels this week. C-class x-ray flares
were observed on 17-20 and 23 September. The largest, a C2/Sf, was
recorded from Region 1576 (S21, L=180, class/area Dso/70 on 20
September) at 19/1512 UTC. The remainder included a C2 flare from
Region 1575 (N08, L=181, class/area Eko/320 on 22 September) at
17/1406 UTC, a C1 at 18/1009Z, and a C1 from Region 1574 (S22,
L=302, class/area Cao/40 on 20 September) at 20/1139 UTC, and a
long-duration C1 from beyond the east limb at 23/1556 UTC. The
long-duration C-flare was associated with a vivid CME in LASCO C2
imagery. Estimated plane-of-sky speed was around 600 km/s.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached
moderate levels each day of the week except the 20th when it
remained at background levels.

The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to active levels during the
week, with minor storm levels observed at high latitudes on all but
the first and last days. The week began with the geomagnetic field
at quiet to unsettled levels. Geomagnetic field activity increased
to active levels late on the 19th when a corotating interaction
region (CIR) became geoeffective. A coronal hole high speed stream
followed on the 20th bringing mostly quiet to unsettled conditions.
Between the 19th and the 20th, the solar sector changed from
positive to negative, consistent with the geoeffective coronal hole
polarity. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft fluctuated between
600 and 400 km/s between the 20th and 21st, before beginning a slow
decline late on the 21st. Solar wind speed by the end of the week
had dropped to about 350 km/s. The Bz component of the
interplanetary magnetic field reached its maximum of approximately
-11 nT late on the 19th with the arrival of the CIR.
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Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
24 September - 20 October 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with an increasing chance for moderate activity during the first two weeks of the period as active regions rotate onto the visible disk.

A slight chance for a proton event exists due to potential activity associated with returning regions from 24 September through 08 October.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 8-9 October and again on 17-18 October.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to remain mostly at quiet to unsettled levels except for 3-5 October, 09-10 October, and 16-17 October when recurrent coronal hole high speed streams are expected to bring a chance for active levels.

1854. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 24 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 16:04:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6152b8c0da4c04ca74bec1@google.com>
Source record: 1821
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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WIA President SK

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 11:32 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362527-WIA-President-SK&goto=newpost

WIA President SK

With deep sadness I report the sudden and unexpected passing of
Wireless Institute of Australia President Michael Owen VK3KI on Saturday
afternoon.

Michael is survived by his wife Nan, who accompanied Michael on
many Amateur radio occasions, most recently at the WIA national Convention
in Mildura, and his daughters.

Our deep condolences go to Michael□s family and friends.

A funeral is to be held 10:30am this Friday the
28th of September at St Andrews Anglican Church Corner of New & Church
Streets, Brighton.

If you would like to send a message of condolence please email the message
to condolences@WIA.org.au

Condolences can be sent by post to Nan and daughters at

PO Box 2042, Bayswater Vic 3153

Bob VK6POP

WIA Director

1855. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 24 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 16:24:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011d90d3e241904ca750520@google.com>
Source record: 1822
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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5U5U Niger

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 07:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362557-5U5U-Niger&goto=newpost

5U5U (ex-TL0A) will be active from Niger until 15 October 2012

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/5u5u_niger/

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9N7LX Nepal

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 05:15 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362544-9N7LX-Nepal&goto=newpost

DL1ELX will be active from Nepal until 29 September 2012 as 9N7LX

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/9n7lx_nepal/

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TO2M Mayotte Island

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 01:59 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362534-TO2M-Mayotte-Island&goto=newpost

F6AML will be active from Mayotte Island 4-19 October 2012 as TO2M

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ayotte-island/

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national air ambulance week 24- 30 september 2012

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 09:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362459-national-air-ambulance-week-24-30-september-2012&goto=newpost

SIR DAVID JASON

PLEDGES SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL AIR AMBULANCE WEEK 24-30 SEPTEMBER 2012

One of Britain□s most famous and respected actors Sir David Jason is getting behind the first National Air Ambulance Week. Sir David has come a long way from his days as an electrician; since then he has won many prestigious awards for his work, with roles greatly varying from the comical Del Boy in Only Fools and Horses, to the more serious role of Jack Frost in A Touch of Frost.

Sir David became interested in flying when he was young and has a keen interest in space exploration and all things aeronautical. He started out his own flying experience in gliders and then progressed to helicopters. Because of this keen interest Sir David became involved with the Association of Air Ambulances (AAA) and in March 2009 Sir David was asked, and agreed to lend his support to the work of Air Ambulance Charities by becoming Patron of AAA.

Speaking of his involvement, Sir David said:

"I am honoured to be fronting the very first united National Air Ambulance Week campaign across the UK. It is vitally important that we spread the word that Air Ambulance Charities up and down the UK are not Government funded and rely on public donations to remain operational. Everyday lives are being saved by the highly skilled Air Ambulance crews. Please give whatever you can spare to support your local Air Ambulance."

The heart of the week long Appeal will be very much encouraging the communities and businesses across the country to support their local Air Ambulance charity. By doing so it will make a huge difference and effectively help to save lives in the community that you live in. Every penny really goes a long way in helping save lives.

NAAW is an initiative put together by the Association of Air Ambulances (□AAA□), the trade body which unites not only Air Ambulance charities from across the country, but also operators and ambulance services.The Association gives a national voice to a local service.

Clive Dickin, Director of the Association of Air Ambulances (AAA) said □We are delighted to have Sir David Jason as our patron. It really does help us to raise awareness of our members and the essential work that they carry out locally. Our members are encouraging fundraising very much at a grass roots level □ for example mufti or a dress up/dress down days at schools, colleges or work places? Fundraising should be fun!□

□You may wish to organise your own event □ maybe you want to hold a cake sale, fete, or do something more daring like a parachute jump or sponsored swim. Whatever you decide to do, rest assured that all monies raised will stay local, helping to keep your local Air Ambulance flying.□

To show your support and find out more about how you can help your local Air Ambulance please log onto the AAA website at

http://www.aoaa.org.uk/naaw/

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uMAd1ivdqQQ

1856. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 16:25:55 UTC
From: Scorpio <heavens@above.net>
Message-ID: <k3q1io$t2h$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1823
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 24/09/2012 15:07, ✓ ŚŁĄ□□ĬĘąŘŧŕ□□□ wrote:
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> rallies! Unwashed, poor personal hygiene, DIY haircuts, unlaundered
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> Disgusting idea, and people are expected to pay to join in. A sad
> reflection on the hobby indeed.

But you just don't get the great unwashed attending the Convention.
Those of us who attend tend to be a cut above the rest, shall we say ;-)

You wouldn't get in of course ...

1857. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 16:39:16 UTC
From: "Brian Reay." <seewebsiteinv@ild.com>
Message-ID: <k3q2bl$2fi$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1824
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"? S?A???????????" <slarti@norway-coastline.net> wrote in message
news:k3psuo$tu8$1@dont-email.me...
> "Tickets for the RSGB Convention 2012 have been selling very well and
> the Saturday night dinner is now sold out. Convention packages are
> still available that include the dinner. Other individual elements
> including a limited number of rooms, day tickets, Friday dinner etc are
> still available. The continued success of the RSGB Convention is such
> that we continue to grow year after year and 2012 looks like being the
> best yet. If you would like to book a package or other elements of the
> RSGB Convention 2012 please visit www.rsgbevents.org."
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The Saturday evening meals are quite formal affairs and most enjoyable. The
Friday sessions are a little more relaxed but in no way lacking in decorum.

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Brian G8OSN/W8OSN
www.g8osn.net

1858. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 17:40:33 UTC
From: "Brian Reay." <seewebsiteinv@ild.com>
Message-ID: <k3q5uhqnk1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1825
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Scorpio" <heavens@above.net> wrote in message
news:k3q1io$t2h$1@dont-email.me...
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The key factor is that they are serious about the hobby.

The Convention is a great event- packed with radio- the only "problem" is
deciding which sessions to forego as you simply can't get to them all.

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Brian G8OSN/W8OSN
www.g8osn.net

1859. eHam.net News for Monday 24 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-24 22:07:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93412692c6f3404ca79d2f2@google.com>
Source record: 1826
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Reaching for the Stars: Students Use Ham Radio to Talk to Space Station:

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 05:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29013

LaFAYETTE, Ga. -- When Jody Carter was 8 years old, his father tried unsuccessfully to contact the space shuttle via ham radio. Thirty years later, the second time was the charm. Just after 11 a.m. Friday, Carter, who's now a math and science teacher at LaFayette Middle School, radioed Sunita "Suni" Williams, commander of the International Space Station. "Can you read me, over?" Carter asked as some 900 sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students sat in bleachers and cross-legged on the school gymnasium floor. LaFayette elected officials and other VIPs sat amidst the students in folding chairs. After some static and initial garbled words, Williams came through loud and clear and answered questions asked by students in the Rambler Radio Club, an after-school club that Carter leads. Questions included: How do astronauts cook food? "All we do is heat it up," Williams said. What hours do you keep on the space station? "We wake up at 6 and go to bed at 10," she replied. How do astronauts do laundry? "We wear our clothes for a week or so," Williams said. What could she see as the ship flew 220 miles above the Earth? "I can see all the way up to the northern parts of Canada and the central parts of South America." Carter and his student ham radio operators spent 10 months preparing for the 10-minute conversation.

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Ham Radio Enthusiasts Gather at Peoria Superfest:

Posted: 23 Sep 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29012

PEORIA -- Larry Wessels started learning about ham radios when he was in junior high. "I was in the library and the teacher instructed us to pick out a book we could write a book report on," Wessels said. "So I found a thin one with big print." He wasn't sure how to pronounce the name of the book, "CQ CQ," but more than 50 years later, he regularly sends out this invitation phrase to anyone who might be listening. Wessels, known as KB4FIO over the airwaves, traveled with two friends to converge with about 2,000 other amateur radio enthusiasts at the 2012 Peoria Superfest on Saturday at Expo Gardens. "It's like a club, too. Every ham is a good guy," Al Grudzinski, one of Wessels' companions, said. Ham radios have been used for 100 years and remain one of the most reliable methods of communication

during emergencies. But mostly, these radios are used for chatter among enthusiasts. "It's the original social networking - only better," said Merle Joiner, Peoria-area Amateur Radio Club president.

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Essay Contest Gives Students Chance to Talk to Astronauts On Space Station:

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 05:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29011

WEST PALM BEACH -- Select students and teachers will get a chance to talk live through amateur radio to astronauts on the International Space Station as it is orbits over Florida the week of Oct. 22. The School District of Palm Beach County, working with the South Florida Science Museum, has invited students in grades 3-12, and teachers, to participate in an essay contest on "Why is space exploration important and what does it mean to me?"

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Commission Hears Report from County Ham Operator:

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 05:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29010

BLOOMFIELD, Mo. -- Jim Harris, ham radio operator and manager of the county Ham Radio Association, expressed his gratitude to the Stoddard County Commission and updated them on progress the group is making in organizing communication in the event of a disaster. The commission reviewed several items on a rather routine agenda. Harris assured the commission the ham radio operators were working closely with County Emergency Management Agency Director Kent Polsgrove. He said three VHF repeaters and one 440 repeater have been purchased to improve emergency communications. He told the commission that repeaters were installed on the Missouri Southern Healthcare towers and provided good communication for the southern and eastern parts of the county. He said improvements were being made to provide better access to the northern and western parts of the county. He assured the commission that the ham operators were not seeking funds from the county, but rather were applying for grants to make the upgrades. "We have the right people," Harris stated. "We will start teaching classes, the first of which will be on ethics and ham radio operation." Harris noted that Assistant Manager Bob Gosnell was also helping with these improvements. He said he had been using ham radios for 20 years, and they would be a big asset to the county by providing communication during a disaster. He said an ice storm disaster drill has been set for Oct. 20 that will include all of the Bootheel.

1860. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 24 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-25 02:17:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235465c27d5104ca7d4d43@google.com>
Source record: 1827
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Zombie Apocalypse Survival Gear: Ham Radios - PhysicsCentral.com (blog)

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 02:27 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGIqgWOjb6sy5Q8sr3tzjEdRj0QUw&url=http://www.physicscentral.com/buzz/blog/index.cfm?postid%3D6677734713071112214

PhysicsCentral.com (blog)
Zombie Apocalypse Survival Gear: Ham Radios
PhysicsCentral.com (blog)
The amateur radio community has millions of members worldwide and several hundred thousand licensed operators in the United States. This fact combined with the dedication of local radio clubs makes ham radios one of the best communication systems ...

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IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI (SK) - ARRL

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 08:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFhUgI6qv_wbBHrQWJOLqi-u04TpA&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/iaru-region-3-chairman-michael-owen-vk3ki-sk

ARRL
IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI (SK)
ARRL
Amateur Radio societies around the world have benefited from Owens enthusiasm and experience; he was passionately involved with the Amateur Radio Service since the 1960s, and served as IARU Vice President from 1989-1999. “I am very saddened to ...

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Mound Amateur Radio members to host public 50th celebration - Dayton Daily News

Posted: 18 Sep 2012 09:23 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEBVsXmpi5KRxPqa1p-2dEZJPxxwQ&url=http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/news/local/mound-amateur-radio-members-to-host-public-50th-ce/nSBrh/

Mound Amateur Radio members to host public 50th celebration
Dayton Daily News
“Some Mound employees visited the Kansas City lab and found they were using Ham radios as a backup, which was more secure. When they returned, they started up the Mound Amateur Radio Association (MARA).” Melke, a West

Carrollton native and ...

1861. [DXNL] DXNL 1799 (Sep 26, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-25 02:59:44 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <5995769156.20120925002311@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 1828
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

DXNL 1799 - Sep 26, 2012
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3A, MONACO
Nobby,5A/G0VJG, will be active from Monaco without his XYL from
Oct 1-5. QSL via G4DFI.

5H, TANZANIA
Arne,OH2NNE, will be active as 5H2DK from Moshi (Loc KI86qq) using an
Icom 706 MKIIG, SG-500 (100 watts amplifier), A3S tribander (10/15/20m)
and dipoles from Oct 2-17. There may be also sporadic activity using
a portable setup from different locations from Oct 18-27. This will be
a one man operation in SSB only. European stations are asked to call
5 up and all others 10 up. QSL via homecall.

5Z, KENYA
Sig,NV7E, will take part in the upcoming WWDX RTTY Contest (Sep 29/30)
as SOABHP signing 5Z4EE from Nairobi. He announced to join also the
WWDX SSB Contest (Oct 27/28) and the WWDX CW Contest (Nov 24/25).
QSL via homecall, preferably direct or via bureau.

BY, CHINA
Members of the Dongcheng District Radio Club (BY1WXD) will be QRV as
BY1WXD/0 from the Tibet Autonomous Region (near Lhasa, Loc NL59hi)
between Sep 27 and Oct 7. OPs will be: Che,BA7CK, XiangQian,BA9TX,
Xu,BA8IK, Donghui,BD2FW, Gu,BD4TS, Zheng,BD5FFK, Ampear,BD5QDM,
Youjun,BD5SO, Li,BD9GQ, Lin,BG0GE, BG3MTK, BG5TOW, Lihua,BG6MA,
Nalan,BG9API, and Xiaolei,BG9XE. Operation will take place in CW/SSB/
RTTY/PSK on 40m-6m with two IC-7000 and SpiderBeams.

CT3, MADEIRA ISLANDS, AF-014
Members of the Rhein Ruhr DX Association (RRDXA) will be QRV again from
Santana on Ilha da Madeira (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053,
WFF CTFF-030, DPRN FF-101) signing CR3L in the multi-OP category of the
WWDX RTTY Contest (Sep 29/30). QSL via DJ6QT.
See also: http://www.cr3l.de

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA
Didier,F6BCW, is going to visit several Polynesian islands between
Oct 2 and Nov 8. He will use a straight key only running 100 watts
into a dipole:
Oct 2-6: Tahiti (OC-046), no or little operation
Oct 6-15: Huahine (OC-067), 7-28 MHz
Oct 15-19: Raiatea (OC-067), 18/14/10 MHz
Oct 19-22: Tahaa (OC-067), 18/14/10/7 MHz
Oct 22-26: Maupiti (OC-067), 18/14/10 MHz
Oct 22-Nov 8: Huahine (OC-067), 7-28 MHz
Didier has applied for a special callsign but if he does not get it
he will use FO/F6BCW. QSLs via F6BCW after his return.

JA, JAPAN, AS-007
The special event station 8J7NPMG celebrates the "25th All Japan Health
and Welfare Festival" (Nenrin-pic) from Miyagi (JCG 06013) and Sendai
(JCC 601) in Miyagi prefecture on Honshu Island (AS-007, WLOTA 2376)
until Oct 16. QSL via bureau.

JT, MONGOLIA
Takeshi,JA6EV, and his XYL Sanae,JJ6GVX, are active on the bands as
JT1EV and JT1GVX from the Ulaanbaatar DX Club clubstation until Sep 26
and from Oct 2-8. QSL via JA6EV.

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Bob,NQ3X, and his XYL are moving to St. Croix by the end of this month.
He plans to show up on all HF bands as KP2/NQ3X as soon as possible.
QSL via homecall, preferably direct, LoTW or eQSL.

LX, LUXEMBURG
Werner,DC8QT, Peter,DL2YCA, Peter,DF7EME, Burkhard,DF8XC, Frank,DL8LR,
Helmut,DF7ZS, and Philippe,LX2A, plan to join the Multi 2 category of
the CQWW RTTY Contest as LX7I from Eschdorf. QSL via LX2A.
See also: http://www.lx2a.com

OD, LEBANON
John,OD5RW, is working in CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and other digital modes
including D-Star on 80m-70cm again. QSL via K8NA.

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Jeoff,PJ2/PD4JOF, is on the air until Sep 29. QSL via homecall.

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Helmut,DF7ZS, will be on honeymoon during October but plans to take
part in the WAG Contest as P40Z from the shack of P49V on Aruba. He
may work also some QSOs before and after the contest. QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.df7zs.de

Jim,W4TMO, and Bert,N4CW, want to participate in the WWDX RTTY Contest
as P40G. The log will be uploaded to the LoTW.

SP, POLAND
The special event station HF28JP remembers the priest Jerzy Popieluszko
who was murdered in 1984. Activities will take place from Oct 1-19.

QSL via SP2KFL. See also: http://www.sp2kfl.org/index.php/dyplom-hf28jp

TF, ICELAND, EU-021
Members of the "Tango Fox Radio Foxes" (Andres,TF3AM, Seli,TF3AO, and Jon,TF3PPN) will sign TF2RR in the WWDX RTTY Contest. QSL via TF3AO.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Ray,VP9/ND8L, and Jamie,VP9/WW3S, will be QRV from Sep 27 until Oct 1. They plan to join the upcoming WWDX RTTY Contest as VP9I from the QTH of Ed,VP9GE. If the conditions are good enough they will focus on 30m, 17m and 12m before and after the contest.
QSLs for VP9I via N1HRA, for VP9/ND8L direct via homecall or LoTW, for VP9/WW3S direct via homecall or LoTW.

ZA, ALBANIA
Petr,ZA/OK1FCJ, Pavel,ZA/OK1DX, and David,ZA/OK6DJ, want to show up in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m (incl. WARC bands) from Sep 27 till Oct 3. They will take part in the WWDX RTTY Test as ZA/OL8R. Their equipment includes Elecraft K3 and Kenwood TS850, a SpiderBeam (20m/15m/10m), a vertical for 40m-10m, a dipole for 80m and a longwire for 160m.
QSLs for ZA/OL8R and ZA/OK1FCJ via OK1DRQ, ZA/OK1DX via OK1DX, ZA/OK6DJ via homecall LoTW, eQSL.

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA
Bernie,ZS4TX, announced to join the WWDX RTTY Contest in the SOABHP category. The log will be uploaded to the LoTW.

DXCC: Following DXpeditions of 2012 were approved for DXCC credit:
3B8/IW5ELA (Mauritius)
9A8VB (Croatia)
4O7VB (Montenegro)
E40VB (Palestine)
E7/UA4WHX (Bosnia Hercegovina)
EY8/UA4WHX (Tajikistan)
JY8VB (Jordan)
UN/UA4WHX (Kazakhstan)
YU9VB (Serbia)
Z38VB (Macedonia)

Republic of Kosovo "on air" soon (update): Z60K near Pristina commenced amateur radio operation on Sep 17 shortly after 1700 UTC. The call has been issued to the clubstation o the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo (SHRAK). QSL via G3TXF and logsearch at ClubLog. The first individual licenses were issued as well (Z61AA, Z61AB, Z61AJ, Z61AS, Z61DD, Z61DX, Z61FF, Z61LA, Z61NS, Z61VB and Z61XO) and 9A6AA received the first guest license (Z6/9A6AA).
Since the Kosovo is neither a member of the United Nations nor does it have a callsign block allocated by the ITU Kosovo does not meet the established requirements of the DXCC program at this time. The website of the local PTT is online already.
See also: http://www.art-ks.org and http://www.iaru-r1.org and http://files.qrz.com/k/z60k/Z60Kauthorization.jpg and

http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=Z60K#r

SILENT KEY: Sean Smith,KG4WSS, was one of the four Americans who was killed
in the storming of the US consulate in Benghazi on Sep 11.
Our condolences and sympathy are with Seans family and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could
get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Sep 23 BARTG Sprint 75
Sep 24 DIG-PA Contest
Sep 29/30 CQ WWDX RTTY DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Rob,EA8/DL7VOA, will be QRV mainly in CW
working holiday style from the west coast of Tenerife between Sep 30
and Oct 6. QSL via homecall.

AF-029, ZD9, Tristan da Cunha Islands: Depending on the weather Rob,M0VFC,
will be active as ZD9UW from Tristan da Cunha between Sep 27 and Oct 4.
Rob works in SSB on 80m-10m. Activities on 160m and 6m are not planned.
If time and pile-ups permit he may work also in RTTY. An OQRS system
(for direct and bureau QSLs) will be offered as well.
See also: http://www.zd9uw.org.uk

AS-136, BY4, Shanghai Province group: Dale,BA4TB/4, Mi,BD4TQ/4, Tim,BD4TJ/4,
Ni,BD4TR/4, and Zhou,BG4TVT/4, will be QRV from Heng Sha Island in all
modes on 40m-10m from Oct 1-4. QSLs via homecalls.

EU-002, OH0, Aland Island: Following activities from Aland (WFF OHFF-037,
WLOTA 1373) were announced for the WWDX RTTY Contest:
- Marko,OH8KVY, will be QRV as OH0I in the SOSB 20m category.
QSL via OH3BHL (d).
- Juha,OH9MM, will be QRV as OH0Z in the SOSB 15m class. QSL via W0MM.
- Raimo,OH3BHL, will show up as OH0KAG in der SOSB 40m category.
QSL via OH1KAG (d).

EU-003, CU1/2, Eastern group; EU-089, CU8/9, Western group; EU-175, CU3-7,
Central group: A large group of 18 international HAMs together with
11 local HAMs will activate the nine populated islands of the Azores
from Sep 29 (1200 UTC) until Sep 30 (1200 UTC). Some activities will
start already on Friday, Sep 28, after the stations were set up:
CU1ARM (Ilha de Santa Maria, EU-003, DIP AZ-001, WLOTA 2978)
CU2ARA (Ilha Sao Miguel, EU-003, DIP AZ-002, PIP AC-002, WLOTA 2016)

CU3URA (Ilha Terceira, EU-175, DIP AZ-003, PIP AC-003, WLOTA 0524)
CU4ARG (Ilha Graciosa, EU-175, DIP AZ-004, PIP AC-004, WLOTA 0113)
CU5AM (Ilha Sao Jorge, EU-175, DIP AZ-005, PIP AC-005, WLOTA 1004)
CU6GRP (Ilha do Pico, EU-175, DIP AZ-006, WLOTA 1321)
CU7CRA (Ilha do Faial, EU-175, DIP AZ-007, WLOTA 1830)
CU8ARF (Ilha das Flores, EU-089, DIP AZ-008, PIP AC-008, WLOTA 0947)
CU9AC (Ilha do Corvo, EU-089, DIP AZ-009, WLOTA 0707)
Following frequencies were announced:
CW: 7000-7015 kHz, 18080-18090 kHz, 14050-14065 kHz
SSB: 7175-7195 kHz, 18120-18135 kHz, 14250-14275 kHz
Those stations making a QSO with at least five different islands can join a lottery for a free trip to the Azores. Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all nine islands will be eligible for a second lottery. The lottery will be drawn on Oct 15.
All QSOs will be confirmed with a special QSL via bureau.
Direct QSL requests can be sent to CU2CE.
See also: http://azores-islands-hunt.com

EU-015, SV9, Crete Island and EU-187, SV9, Crete's Coastal Islands: Bodo,SV9/DF8DX, will stay on Crete (GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-004, WLOTA 1400) from Oct 1-7 and plans to work mainly in CW. He also plans a trip to Dia Island (EU-187, GIOTA KRS-015, MIA MGC-006, WLOTA 1734) on Oct 3/4. He will stay on Dia until his batteries are empty.
QSL via DF8DX.

Uli,DJ9XB, is also staying on Crete during the WWDX RTTY Contest and plans to show up as single operator signing SW9XB. QSL via DJ9XB.

EU-053, OJ0, Market Reef: Pasi,OH3WS, is working as OJ0W from 40m-10m from Sep 23-28. QSL via homecall.

EU-090, 9A, Palagruza Islands: Jiri,OK1IEC, Rudolf,OK1HWS, Jan,OK1JK, and Vlasta,OK1UXH, will be QRV as 9A8OK from Palagruza Island (ACIA IC-901, CIA-33, IOCA CI-084, MIA MC-284) and Otocic Palagruza lighthouse (ARLHS CRO-012, CLH-100, TWLHD WLH 9A-046, WLOTA 0057, Loc JN82DJ) between Sep 29 and Oct 6. QSL via OK1HWS (direct/bureau).
See also: http://jan.kepic.cz/view.php?cisloclanku=2012020002

EU-172, OZ, Jylland East and Fyn group: Mike,OZ/DG5LAC, will be active in SSB on 80m-10m from Langeland (DIA FY-019, WLOTA 0590) between Sep 29 and Oct 5. QSL via DG5LAC.

Heiko,OZ/DG0OGM, Dieter,OZ/DK1AW, Lutz,OZ/DL3ARK, Peter,OZ/DL4AMK, Joachim,OZ/DJ2AS, and Mario,OZ/DL5ASE, are working in SSB, CW, RTTY and BPSK on 160m-10m from Aro (DIA JY-03, WLOTA 0973, Loc JO45vg) until Sep 29. QSLs via homecalls.

NA-023, VP2V, British Virgin Islands: Steve,VP2V/AA7V, will be QRV from Virgin Gorda (WLOTA 0347) from Sep 26 until Oct 1 (incl. WWDX RTTY).
QSL via NR6M (direct/LoTW).

NA-029, VY2, Prince Edward Isl. Province Group: Bob,VY2/WC3O, Pat,VY2/NK3P,
Bob,VY2/K3RMB, Steve,VY2/KB3EYY, and Tony,VY2/KB3HGJ, are going to
visit Prince Edward Island from Sep 26 until Oct 1 and plan to operate
in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m. They will sign VY2/WC3O in the upcoming
WWDX RTTY Contest. QSLs via K3MJW.

NA-145, PJ5/PJ6, Saba and Sint Eustatius: Mike,PJ6/G4IUF, will be active in
holiday style from Saba (WFF PAFF-027, WLOTA 2043) between Oct 1 and
Nov 1. QSL via G4IUF.
Bureau QSLs can be requested via e-mail. See QRZ.com.

NA-213, W4, Alabama State group: Eight HAMs from the Atlanta region plan
to activate Sand Island lighthouse (ARLHS USA-723, TWLHD WLH K-141,
Loc EM50XE, USi AL002S) as K4D in all modes on HF from Sep 26-30.
QSL via W4BTI. See also: http://www.w4bti.org

OC-026, KH2, Guam Island: Dave,N2NL, will sign NH2T in the WWDX RTTY Contest
from Yigo (Guam Island, USi GU003S WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064). He also
plans to take part in the SSB and CW parts of the WWDX Contest.
QSL via W2YC. See also: http://www.n2nl.net

OC-134, ZL, South Island: Members of the Quake Contesters Group will be QRV
as ZL3X from Sumner/Christchurch (WLOTA 0342, Loc RE66JK) during the
WWDX RTTY Contest. QSL via ZL3APH (direct/LoTW).

NON IOTA: TC2ZLH lighthouse Zonguldak: The TCSWAT team and the Giresun Radio
Amateurs and Nature Sports Club will activate Zonguldak lighthouse
(Loc KN51VL) as TC2ZLH on Sep 29/30. QSL via TA1HZ.
More information about the WEBLOTA award can be found at:
http://www.tcswat.org/awards/WEBLOTA

WFF: Jacques,F6BAX/p, will be QRV from FFF-101 from Sep 27 until Oct 3.
This is a first activation. QSL via homecall.

Lighthouse activities

8J1ARK LH 2376 Oct 1-Nov 4
8J1KS LH 2376 Oct 1-Dec 31
8J1STGY LH 2376 Oct 1-Dec 31
8N1YKR LH 2376 Oct 1-Nov 30
8N2100MD LH 2376 Oct 1-Nov 30

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

01Oct-05Oct 3A/G0VJG 1799 *
24Sep-05Oct 3D2C 1798
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
-20Sep 4S7HBG.. 1798
Sep 5B/G3RWF 1795
23Sep-13Oct 5H1HS 1798
02Oct-27Oct 5H2DK 1799 *

08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798
-2014 5Z4EE 1753/1772/1799 *
2012 6D0LM 1774
24Sep-04Oct 6V7X 1798
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-03Nov 8J2YDU 1794
-21Oct 8J4HAM 1974
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-30Sep 8J7EQ 1773
-16Oct 8J7NPMG 1799 *
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
unknown 8Q7HA 1796
29Sep-06Oct 9A8OK 1799 *
unknown 9G5ZS 1795
22Sep-28Sep 9H3AK 1798
unknown 9J2JA 1796
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
01Oct-04Oct BA4TB/4 1799 *
01Oct-04Oct BD4TJ/4 1799 *
01Oct-04Oct BD4TQ/4 1799 *
01Oct-04Oct BD4TR/4 1799 *
01Oct-04Oct BG4TVT/4 1799 *
27Sep-07Oct BY1WXD/0 1799 *
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
16Sep-04Oct CR3L 1798/1799 *
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DJ3IW 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DJ6QT 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DK1MM 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DK1QH 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DK4QT 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DL1YFF 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/DM3BJ 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/E73Y 1798
20Sep-04Oct CT9/S56A 1798
29Sep-30Sep CU1ARM 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep CU2ARA 1799 *

29Sep-30Sep CU3URA 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep CU4ARG 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep CU5AM 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep CU6GRP 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep CU7CRA 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep CU8ARF 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep CU9AC 1799 *
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784

-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB 1763/1784
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791
-31Dec E720RS 1770
30Sep-06Oct EA8/DL7VOA 1799 *
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
27Sep-03Oct F6BAX/p 1799 *
-Mar/13 FH8NX 1747
02Oct-08Nov FO/F6BCW.. 1799 *

-Sep GB0PGY 1797
-30Sep GB39RC 1798
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Sep GO4BJC/A.. 1796
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Oct-19Oct HF28JP 1799 *
-30Sep HG1912PTTT 1796
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
-26Sep JT1EV.. 1799 *
-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773
25Sep-30Sep K4D 1798/1799 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
20Sep-01Oct KH8/N6XT 1798
20Sep-01Oct KH8/N7CQQ 1798
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771

-26Sep KP2/K5WE 1798
long term KP2/NQ3X 1799 *

29Sep/30Sep LX7I 1799 *
29Sep/30Sep NH2T 1799 *
Resident OD5RW 1799 *
29Sep/30Sep OH0I 1799 *
29Sep/30Sep OH0KAG 1799 *
29Sep/30Sep OH0Z 1799 *
23Sep-28Sep OJ0W 1799 *
-30Sep ON68POL 1798
29Sep-05Oct OZ/DG7LAC 1799 *
21Sep-29Sep OZ/DG0OGM 1799 *
21Sep-29Sep OZ/DJ2AS 1799 *
21Sep-29Sep OZ/DK1AW 1799 *
21Sep-29Sep OZ/DL3ARK 1799 *
21Sep-29Sep OZ/DL4AMK 1799 *
21Sep-29Sep OZ/DL5ASE 1799 *
29Sep/30Sep P40G 1799 *
Oct P40Z 1799 *
-29Sep PJ2/PD4JOF 1799 *
01Oct-01Nov PJ6/G4IUF 1799 *
-Oct RA0SS/0 1798
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
01Oct-07Oct SV9/DF8DX 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep SW9XB 1799 *

22Sep-02Oct TA/HA3JB 1798
29Sep-30Sep TC2ZLH 1799 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
29Sep/30Sep TF3AO 1799 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
22Sep-06Oct VK2IR.. 1798*
28Sep-29Sep VK9XS 1798
21Sep-28Sep VK9CS 1798
26Sep-01Oct VP2V/AA7V 1799 *
27Sep-01Oct VP9I.. 1799 *
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
26Sep-01Oct VY2/WC3O.. 1799 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
unknown Z81A.. 1798
27Sep-03Oct ZA/OL8R.. 1799 *
18Aug-31Sep ZD9KN 1794/1795
unknown ZD9KX 1795
27Sep-04Oct ZD9UW 1799 *
29Sep-30Sep ZL3X 1799 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3A/G0VJG via G0VJG (B)
4J0SFR via 4J5T (B)
4J0WFF via 4J5T (B)
4S7ARG via JA3ARJ
4S7DOG via JG3DOG (B)
4S7HBG via JA3HBF
4S7LSG via JA1CJA
4S7QHG via JR3QHQ (B)
4S7TAG via JA3TJA
4S7TEG via 7M3FMR
4S7UJG via JA3UJR
5H2DK via OH2NNE
5Z4EE via NV7E (B)
6V7X via IK2FIL (B), (L), EQSL
8J7NPMG (B)
9A/IQ3VO via IQ3VO (B)
9A8OK via OK1HWS (B)
9Q6AL via DF9TA (B)
BA4TB/4 via BA4TV (B)
BD4TJ/4 via BD4TJ (B)
BD4TQ/4 via BD4TQ (B)
BD4TR/4 via BD4TR (B)
BG4TVT/4 via BG4TVT (B)
BY1WXD/0 via BY1WXD
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CR50CMD via CS5ARC
DK0WWB/p via DK0WWB (B)
DN3WB/p via DN3WB (B)
EA8/DL7VOA via DL7VOA (B)
EI80IRTS via EI4GXB, (L)
EM125QV via UX7QV (B)
EM70MG via UR1MU
EA3/DJ2OS/p via DJ2OS
ED5BT via EA5BT
F6BAX/p via F6BAX (B)
FR/DL7RJ via DJ7RJ (B)
FO/F6BCW via F6BCW (B)
G4FOC via G3SWH (B)
GB0LMR (B)
GB0NVR (B)
HF28JP via SP2KFL (B)
IA5/IK4MED via IK4MED (B)
IZ5GST/p via IZ5GST (B)
JT1EV via JA6EV (B)
JT1GVX via JA6EV (B)
K4D via W4BTI (B)

K9YNF/4 via K9YNF (B)
KP2/NQ3X via NQ3X (d), (L), eQSL
L25FJ via LU7FJ
LX7I via LX2A (B)
LZ1737SSS (B)
MJ/SV1BRL via SV1BRL (B)
MJ/SV8AQY via SV8AQY
MX0BCQ (B)
NH2T via W2YC (d), (L)
OD5RW via K8NA
OF3I via OH3BHL (B)
OH0I via OH3BHL (d)
OH0KAG via OH1KAG (d)
OH0Z via W0MM (B)
OJ0W via OH3WS (B)
OZ/DG0OGM via DG0OGM (B)
OZ/DG5LAC via DG5LAC (B)
OZ/DJ2AS via DJ2AS (B)
OZ/DK1AW via DK1AW (B)
OZ/DL3ARK via DL3ARK (B)
OZ/DL4AMK via DL4AMK (B)
OZ/DL5ASE via DL5ASE (B)
P40G (L)
P40Z via DF7ZS (B)
PA20STAR via PE9DX
PJ2/PD4JOF via PD4JOF
PJ6/G4IUF see QRZ.com
R100RW via RN3FY
SD7M via DF9TM (B)
SD7W via DL2SWW (B)
SN2012FBS via SP3YAC
SV9/DF8DX via DF8DX (B)
SW9XB via DJ9XB (B), (L)
TC2ZLH via TA1HZ (B)
UP100GS via UN7EX
VK9XS via JA1PBV (B)
VP2V/AA7V via NR6M (d), (L)
VP9/ND8L via (d), (L)
VP9/WW3S via (d), (L)
VP9I via N1HRA
VY2/K3RMB via K3MJW (B)
VY2/KB3EYY via K3MJW (B)
VY2/KB3HGJ via K3MJW (B)
VY2/NK3P via K3MJW (B)
VY2/WC3O via K3MJW (B)
YT5DX/p via YT5DX
YT7AW/p via YT7AW (B)
YU1SU/p via YU1SU
YU1TY/p via YU1TY
YU1YM/p via YU1YM

YU2NIK/p via YU2NIK
YU2TT/p via YU2TT
Z60K via G3TXF (B)
ZA/OK1DX via OK1DX
ZA/OK1FCJ via OK1DRQ
ZA/OK6DJ via OK6DJ (L), eQSL
ZA/OL8R via OK1DRQ
ZL3X via ZL3APH (d), (L)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived bureau: J39A (via KQ1F), PJ2T (W3HNK!!!)

QSLs arrived LoTW: 7O6T, E51M (North Cook), EA6ZS, RI1ANF

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1862. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 25 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-25 11:07:30 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340905ffa20604ca84b525@google.com>
Source record: 1829
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radio amateurs asked to help track and decode the F-1 CubeSat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mlKVbpkHmVU/radio_amateurs_asked_to_track_f1_cubesat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio F-1 CubeSat was built by the FSpace team of young
engineers and students at the FPT University and is planned to deploy from
the ISS in the second J-SSOD pod on Thursday, September 27 at about
1630-1640 UT

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ARISS contact on Echolink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_926s-3Sn9Y/ariss_audio_event_2609.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the
Sacred Heart School of Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, Wednesday
September 26th. AOS is scheduled for 1607 UTC

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Conway Reef DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ezOReFCR04w/conway_reef.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A large multi-national team of 19 amateur radio operators will arrive on
Conway Reef (OC-112) located in the South Pacific Ocean on September 26th,
and complete their DXpedition on October 5th

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DXCC News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FMsaFtWQtUo/dxcc_news_2509.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports on 11 operations
which have been approved for DXCC credit

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Papua New Guinea Islands Tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vs_uzgmfkqY/papua_new_guinea.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An international team will visit five islands belonging to Papua New Guinea
between October 19th and November 4th

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Ops wanted for Banaba Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NXlZIfZNyng/banaba_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jay W2IJ and David N1EMC are still looking for a few operators to join them
on a DXpedition to Banaba Island

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4Lw-_JqNFLA/september_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Ham Radio and Zombies

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lMKv6mINUgg/ham_radio_and_zombies.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham radio and the ISS featured at the Dragon*Con event that took place in
Atlanta during labor day weekend Aug 31 - Sep 3

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 146

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/85O8QoDKYdw/soldersmoke_amateur_radio_podcast_146.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new episode of the SolderSmoke amateur radio Podcast is available

1863. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 25 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-25 16:08:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba2124f5f99aa704ca88e28b@google.com>
Source record: 1830
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-267 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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AMSAT announces the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th. See the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration.

Symposium Registration including Proceedings

Through September 23, 2012: $ 45.00Starting September 24, 2012: $ 50.00At the Door: $ 55.00

Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page.

The Symposium Hotel is the Holiday Inn at Orlando-International Airport is located one mile from the Orlando International Airport (MCO). The AMSAT discount rate is $99 + taxes per night. The reservation block code used when calling the hotel directly is AMT. The hotel telephone number is 407-851-6400. Cutoff date for reservations is Oct 6, 2012.

The Symposium Schedule web page has been updated with links to find more information about the planned activities.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award to Bill Tynan, W3XO

The Radio Club of America announced this week that William A. Tynan, W3XO, is the recipient of its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award. The award recognizes Bill's lifelong service to the public through amateur radio. It will be presented at the club's annual awards banquet in New York on November 16th. ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, like Bill a club Fellow, will be the keynote speaker.

Bill, one of AMSAT's charter members, is a past President and Chairman of the Board. For many years, he conducted QST's monthly column, "The World Above 50 MHz." He is also a past President of the Central States VHF Society. Bill played a key role in the origination of amateur radio from the Space Shuttle and the International Space Station.

The Radio Club of America, founded in 1909, is the world's oldest radio communications association.

Congratulations, Bill!

[ANS thanks Ray Soifer, W2RS for the above information]

AMSAT Awards

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO says congratulations are in order for our latest AMSAT Awards recipients.

The following have entered into the Satellite Communicators Club for making their first satellite QSO.

Steven Holland, KC9TTQRon Reiter, KD8SEVDan Kowell, AL7RSMichael Mustachia, KF5PHARandy Morden, VE6RGUGlyn Dodwell, GM4CFS

The following have earned the AMSAT Communications Achievement Award.

Kenneth Holland, KC9TTR, #550

The following have earned the South Africa Satellite Communications Achievement Award.

Kenneth Holland, KC9TTR, #US179

The following have earned their Robert W. Barbee, Jr. W4AMI Award.

Theo Doty, AA5CK, #79

To see all the awards visit http://www.amsat.org.

[ANS thanks Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

Silent Key: John Beanland, G3BVU

AMSAT has received the sad news on the passing of John Beanland, G3BVU. John was an avid AMSAT member and helped man the AMSAT booth at the Boxboro Hamfest over the years. His friends remember John to be outgoing and enthusiastic about amateur radio in space. AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW noted, "AMSAT has lost a good friend and enthusiastic member."

Charles "John" Beanland, born in Witney, England was 85 years old passed away on September 21, 2012 after a long illness. John enlisted in the UK Navy during WWII. He was first licensed as G3BVU in 1947. He worked for Post Office in Engineering and English Electrical Valve where he worked on Guided Weapons. He later joined Texas

Instruments and finally Microwave Associates, UK where he developed VHF solid state power amplifiers all while attending and receiving BS degrees in Electrical Engineering, Radio and Telecommunications.

Microwave Associates transferred him from the UK to Burlington, MA in 1963. In 1966 he joined the MITRE Corporation in Bedford, MA as a Member of the Technical Staff working on microwave systems and Over The Horizon Radar (OTHR) HF direction finding systems until his retirement in 1993. During that time he received his Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering from Northeastern University. In 1972 he acquired Spectrum International, specializing in antennas, filters, VHF transverters and satellite tracking systems which he operated until his passing. He later received his US call sign, AA1YE and taught Amateur Radio licensing courses and HF radio propagation at local radio clubs.

John was married to Dorothy Beanland for over 57 years. They have 3 children and 3 grandchildren. He resided in West Acton, MA. A wake will be held on Monday, September 24th from 5-8 PM at the Acton Funeral Home on Rt. 111 in Acton, MA. A burial service will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Acton, MA at 10 AM, Tuesday, September 25th followed by burial in Acton, MA.

[ANS thanks Joe Reisert, W1JR and Barry Baines, WD4ASW for the above information]

Official Statement of the AMSAT-DL BoD About P3E & P5

Dear All,

The following News will appear as an Editorial in our up-coming AMSAT-DL Journal.

Because of the importance of the contents the AMSAT-DL BOD and Project Leaders decided to give this information to all team members who are currently or who were directly or indirectly involved in the past ... We want to make sure that our members get it from us and not from any rumours on the net ... Thanks.

While the decision of DLR is hitting us hard, this is not yet the end. I recently had some interesting meetings in China and if we can't do Rocket Science in DL, we have to look for other countries.

But please read below ... We hope you will support us also in future and if you want to re-join, you are also much welcome. AMSAT needs YOU!! If we missed someone from the members, please forward this e-mail.

Best wishes

Peter DB2OS

Hartmut DL1YDD

Michael DD5ER

DLR rejects P5-/Mascot-2 project

Dear Members and Friends of AMSAT-DL, discussions with the German Ministry of Economics and the German space agency DLR spanned more than 5 years. Amongst others, we met with State Secretary for Space and Aerospace Hinze, DLR chairman Prof. Wörner and the DLR Program Board. In 2009 AMSAT-DL, in collaboration with the DLR Institute for Space Systems in Bremen, conducted two complex Concurrent Engineering studies.

They were jointly presented to the DLR program board in Köln-Porz in 2010.

The final documentation confirmed the feasibility of the P5 project, both to the Moon and to Mars.

In October and November 2011 another two P5 meetings with DLR chairman Prof. Wörner, Ministry MinDirig Engelhard, representatives of DLR IRS Bremen and AMSAT-DL BOD took place. Topics were feasibility and financing model.

It turned out that the ministry had a different perception of the (DLR-) payloads.

DLR was asked to reconsider their payloads. Both AMSAT-DL BOD and IRS Bremen left the meetings with positive feelings.

Then it turned out that, since completion of the 2009 joint study, the P5 scientific appeal is apparently no longer attractive. Therefore it was jointly searched for modifications to regain a payload appeal that was attested in 2009. AMSAT-DL proposed landing part of the payload on Mars

moon Deimos or Phobos. Our calculations showed that this is feasible with reasonable effort. The landing would be a particularly unique feature of the P5 mission.

After repeated enquiries we received a letter from DLR at end of June where they stated that "the DLR Program Board comes to the conclusion, that pursuit of the P5 idea is infeasible and also financially infeasible."

We repeatedly approached the DLR Program Board since then. The assertion was that any P5 mission will not fly with DLR: the scientific attraction was, compared with the current Mars missions, insufficient.

The primary reason for this is that the P5 MARS orbit is limited due to the low-cost character of the mission. From this orbit no attractive science is possible. Obviously our P5 mission is now compared with regular missions which cost hundreds of millions of Euro.

This rejection has a wide impact on AMSAT-DL. Activities of all involved persons, including in the P3-E project, was shaped for years by the P5 mission.

It was assumed that P3-E was to be launched as part of the P5 mission. This path is obstructed now.

We maintain our contacts with the various launching agencies able to launch P3-E into an appropriate orbit. The tremendous launching costs kept us from more concrete talks so far. Just recently good contact with AMSAT China (CAMSAT) was established. China has suitable launchers to bring payloads into GTO. Moreover, China has discovered that amateur radio is a means of motivating young people to technical university studies.

Furthermore we are very actively exploiting a potential shared ride of an amateur radio payload on a new geostationary satellite. We have already submitted a formal project proposal. The satellite will be visible from Europe.

No antenna tracking will be necessary. The big advantage of this project is that due to the operational requirements of the primary payload, our launching and commissioning is tied to the not too far future.

The 20m dish antenna at Bochum observatory was originally refurbished and upgraded for the P5 mission and is presently used for Deep Space Mission and amateur radio purposes. The automatic reception of the STEREO probes and data transfer to NASA will continue. In collaboration with NASA and AMSAT-DL the modulation scheme will be

changed to use Turbo coding. Both hardware and software is currently being designed by AMSAT-DL and will be used by the partner STEREO receiving stations worldwide. Our funding application is already approved. The project funding runs until the end of 2015.

The AMSAT-DL Marburg Lab will be preserved at least in medium term to be able to do work on P3-E and, should the situation arise, on the transponder of the mentioned geostationary satellite.

We pursue a near-term meeting with all P5 project team members to identify ways for a project continuation. The necessary procedures should be coordinated then.

Although we regret the DLR refusal of the P5 project (particularly because some DLR payload will not fly in any foreseeable time frame), and although it places serious challenges to AMSAT-DL, this is not the cancellation of a HEO amateur radio satellite. We will aggressively follow up all potential possibilities. We hope to be able to report positively at the AMSAT-DL AGM in autumn.

Since the Marburg University's withdrawal from the ZEL, the surrounding conditions have changed significantly, again. However, we will do everything we can do to get an amateur satellite launched into HEO.

We do trust in our volunteers and members.

The AMSAT-DL BOD:

Peter Guelzow, DB2OS

Hartmut Paesler, DL1YDD

Michael R. Lengruesser, DD5ER

Editors Note: A video of the AMSAT-DL update given by Peter Guelzow, DB2OS at the 2012 AMSAT-UK Colloquium can be viewed at:

Go to http://www.batc.tv/Click on "Film Archive"Select "AMSAT 2012" in the Category box and click on Select CategorySelect "04 - AMSAT-DL" in the Stream box and click on Select StreamClick the play button on the video player window

[ANS thanks Peter Guelzow, DB2OS; Hartmut Paesler, DL1YDD; Michael R. Lengruesser, DD5ER; and AMSAT-DL for the above information]

CubeSat Deployment From ISS Set for September 27

Five cubesats launched on July 21 and now aboard the ISS have beenintegrated with the J-SSOD small satellite deployer on the the Japanese Experiment Module, also known as Kibo. They will be deployed with the Kibo robotic arm planned September 27, 2012.

First, 15:10-15:20 UTC: WE-WISH, RAIKO by Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide

Second, 16:30-16:40 UTC: TechEdSat, NanoRack/F-1, FITSAT-1 by JAXA GS

Satellite

Downlink

Beacon

Mode

FITSAT-1
437.445, 5.84GHz

437.250
FM,CW

WE WISH
437.505
437.505
SSTV,CW

RAIKO
2.2GHz, 13GHz
13GHz
38.4 - 500kbps

TechEdSat
437.465
437.465
CW

F-1
145.980
437.485
1200bps AFSK,FM,CW

Also, refer to the previous ANS bulletin on this topic.

[ANS thanks Mineo Wakita, JE9PEL for the above information]

Dedicated University CubeSat Downlinks on the Table for ITU WRC-18

IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, reports that the IARU Administrative Council will meet in the next 45 days to address the agenda items for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15).

Planning for the dedicated spectrum for university research cubesats will begin for WRC-15 but the actual allocation of frequencies may not occur until the 2018 World Radiocommunication Conference.

In an article posted on the ARRL web, Stafford noted, ☐A lot of radio amateurs are aware of the increasing use of amateur spectrum by small satellites, mainly by universities. It is becoming an increasingly difficult situation to accommodate the number of small, non-commercial satellites within the amateur bands. These education-based satellites do not really fit within the definition of the Amateur Radio Service, but have been accommodated there. These small satellites are categorized as nanosatellites (weighing between 1-10 kg) and picosatellites (weighing less than 1 kg). The ITU is trying to deal with this issue in an orderly manner and a ☐preliminary☐ WRC-18 agenda item is to consider whether these satellite operations can be accommodated in an already crowded radio spectrum. As these issues develop, the IARU will keep its Member-Societies, such as the ARRL, aware of developments.☐ with an eye to building the best strategy to deal with those agenda items in a way that is most favorable to the Amateur Radio Service."

Read the full article, including many other IARU agenda items at:

http://www.arrl.org/news/looking-ahead-to-wrc-15

[ANS thanks the ARRL for the above information]

BUAA-SAT 435/145 MHz FM Amateur Radio Satellite Planned for 2014

BUAA-SAT is a university micro-satellite project developed by the students of Beihang University (Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics). It carries an amateur radio 435/145 MHz FM voice transponder

The satellite has a mass of 30kg, dimensions of 30cm*30cm*50cm and aims to go into a 600-800 km Sun Synchronous Orbit (SSO) from Taiyuan in late 2014.

The primary missions are:

To study the application of COTS components used in the onboard electronic systemTo demonstrate the coilable mast deployment mechanismTo carry out imaging using three CMOS cameras

Moreover, it provides a 27dBm U/V FM voice transponder for the use of radio hams world-wide as well as a 20dBm CW beacon and a 27dBm AX.25 beacon also in the 145 MHz band.

BUAA-SAT website: http://sat.buaa.edu.cn/

BUAA-SAT Group in Google English: http://tinyurl.com/BUAA-SAT-Group

AMSAT-UK also posted an article and photos at:

http://www.uk.amsat.org/10387

[ANS thanks Southgate ARC and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

ARISS Rolls on With Successful School Contacts

News from the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Status Report - September 17, 2012

Maroochydore, Queensland, Australia

Students attending Maroochydore State School in Maroochydore, Queensland, Australia participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Wednesday, September 12 via telebridge station VK4KHZ in Australia. Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI answered 14 questions of the students before the ISS went over the horizon.

Approximately 40 students and guests were in attendance and the contact received coverage by radio, television and newspapers. The contact was integrated into a comprehensive space curriculum, with lessons focused on the Venus Transit, the Juno mission and the Curiosity mission.

Dorado, Puerto Rico

An ARISS contact was held between Joe Acaba, KE5DAR on the ISS and Marcelino Canino Canino Middle School in Dorado, Puerto Rico on Wednesday,

September 12 via telebridge station K6DUE in Greenbelt, Maryland. The session was conducted in Spanish, with all 16 questions answered. The students are involved in a Microsatellite Hardware program through which they design, build, launch, track and retrieve their microsatellites with the assistance of many local amateur radio operators.

Sindelfingen, Germany

On Thursday, September 13, Sunita Williams, KD5PLB spoke with students at the Gymnasium Unterrieden in Sindelfingen, Germany through an ARISS contact and answered their space-related questions. One hundred people showed up for the event, including 4 media outlets. The audio was broadcasted via 2 amateur radio relays. The contact was integrated into several other amateur radio activities which included the students preparing for entry level amateur radio licenses and building a satellite receiving station. Video has been posted.

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland

A second ARISS contact that Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI took part in last week was with children at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland on Thursday, September 13. The students had 21 questions answered during the ISS pass, and as the coordinating person at Goddard had previously asked another astronaut for answers to the questions, the remaining students still received "official" answers to their questions. Nearly 100 people were in attendance, with 4 media cameras recording the event. Prince George's County Community TV reported on the event.

Oak Hill, Florida

On Thursday, September 13, an ARISS contact was held between children at the Burns Sci-Tech Charter School in Oak Hill, Florida and Sunita Williams KD5PLB on the ISS. Daytona Beach Amateur Radio Association supported the school in this endeavor. The contact was integrated into lessons on radio waves, electricity, communications, geography and languages.

Kolo, Poland

Zespól Szkól Technicznych w Kole, Kolo, Poland participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Wednesday, September 19. Besides learning about space, amateur radio and satellite tracking in the classroom, students are also attending lectures on astronautics, engineering and astronomy. They are involved with related hands-on activities and competitions, with the winners receiving the opportunity to question the ISS astronaut. In addition, the school is forming astronomy and amateur radio clubs for the youth. The event was broadcast live.

San Diego, California

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was completed with Sunset Hills Elementary School in San Diego, California on Thursday, September 20 at 17:24 UTC. Students are learning about the radio

and space through age-appropriate hands-on activities. NASA education Web site materials are being used and guest speakers from the local Amateur Radio club will give a presentation to the students.

LaFayette, Georgia

Lafayette Middle School, La Fayette, Georgia completed an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Friday, September 21. The school used the ARISS contact to promote the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics within its entire system. It arranged for Skype interviews with guests for the ARISS event: Dr. Rob Suggs and Dr. Bill Cooke of Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama; Cristi Whitworth, Educational Director for Pisgah Astronomical Research Institute; and Dr. June Scobee Rodgers, Founding Chair of the Challenger Center at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

[ANS thanks Carol Jackson, KB3LKI for the above information]

NASA Offers Opportunity to Use Communications Testbed on ISS

The SCAN testbed is a communications, navigation and networking demonstration platform based on the STRS. The experimental platform began its initial checkout activities on the space station August 13 and will operate for as long as three years.

NASA is announcing opportunities for academia, industry and government agencies to develop and carry out research and technology demonstrations on the International Space Station using the newly installed Space Communications and Navigation (SCAN) testbed.

There are two announcements of opportunity. The SCAN Testbed Experiment Opportunity invites industry and other government agencies to enter into Space Act Agreements with NASA to use the space station's SCAN platform.

The SCAN Testbed Cooperative Agreement Notice invites academia to develop proposals to use the orbiting laboratory's SCAN testbed research capabilities. NASA expects the first demonstrations by late 2013 or early 2014.

These opportunities will allow researchers to develop new software according to the Space Telecommunications Radio Standard (STRS) architecture for radios and reconfigure how radios communicate in space.

Experiments will provide waveforms and software components to the STRS waveform repository and enable future hardware platforms to use common reusable software modules. These new capabilities could enable greater scientific return from future NASA missions.

Details and specifications are available from NASA:

http://tinyurl.com/SCAN-Testbed (nasa.gov)

http://spaceflightsystems.grc.nasa.g...bed/Candidate/

[ANS thanks NASA and Space-Travel.com for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

AMSAT's Keeper of the Keps, Ray Hoad, WA5QGD reports that the ELaNa cubesats launched 9/17/2012 have been added to this week's KEPs: AENEAS - Cat #38760; CSSWE - Cat #38761; CP5 - Cat #38763Photos and a video of the Atlas launch from Vandenberg can be viewed on-line. This launch carried satellites for the National Reconnaissance Office. Also aboard this flight at four cubesats as part of ELaNa IV mission and seven cubesats for government missions.A photo of the Soyuz TMA-04M spacecraft as it lands with Expedition 32 Commander Gennady Padalka of Russia, NASA Flight Engineer Joe Acaba and Russian Flight Engineer Sergie Revin in a remote area near the town of Arkalyk, Kazakhstan, on September 17 can be seen on-line.NASA Explorer Schools is offering students in grades 4-12 an opportunity to ask questions of Bob Cabana, astronaut and Director of NASA's Kennedy Space Center. Join the video chat on Sept. 25, 2012, from 1-1:45 p.m. EDT to ask Cabana questions about his education, astronaut training, living and working in space and the future of space exploration. Students do not need to be in a school participating in the NASA Explorer Schools project in order to ask questions during this video chat. Submit questions during the chat through a chat window, or send them to: NASA-Explorer-Schools@mail.nasa.gov. To learn more about NES, visit http://www/explorerschools.nasa.gov. For more information and to view the video chat, visit: http://tinyurl.com/explorer-chat (nasa.gov)NASA has announced their "Space Place Prime," the new NASA magazine for iPad. This free, brand new app gathers some of the best and most recent Web offerings from NASA. It taps engrossing articles from The Space Place website, enlightening NASA videos and daily images such as the Astronomy Picture of the Day and the NASA Earth Observatory Image of the Day. For more information about the new magazine, visit http://spaceplace.nasa.gov/ios/. (iPad is a registered trademarks of Apple Inc.)The Houston AMSAT Net meets every Wednesday at 0100z (this is Tuesday evening in North America) on Echolink - Conference *AMSAT* . The MP3 audio is also streamed http://www.amsatnet.com. After the net a Podcast is available at: http://www.amsatnet.com/podcast.xml or iTunesThe next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, September 27, 8 PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available on the N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)The Canadian Space Agency announced that a British Columbia artisan-made organic cereal is one of 12 Canadian foods to accompany Canadian Astronaut and Mission 35 Commander Chris Hadfield on the December space mission to the International Space Station where he will live and work for six months as part of the crew. We wonder how many students will ask how the crew is enjoying their cereal described at: http://spaceref.com/news/viewpr.html?pid=38629How would you like to be famous? If you know any scientific, math, or electronics puns send them to k9jkm@amsat.org. The winners will occasionally be included in the ANS bulletins.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind that programming today is a race between software engineers striving to build bigger and better idiot-proof programs, and the Universe trying to produce bigger and better idiots. So far, the Universe is winning.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

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1864. ARRL 2012 International Humanitarian Award

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-25 20:56:42 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120925202808.8F28A203AF@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1831
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

The nomination period for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award is now open. Here is more information:

ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award <http://www.arrl.org/international-humanitarian-award>. The award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize Amateur Radio operators who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

A committee appointed by the League's President recommends the award recipient(s) to the ARRL Board, which makes the final decision. The committee is now accepting nominations from Amateur Radio, governmental or other organizations that have benefited from extraordinary service rendered by an Amateur Radio operator or group.

Amateur Radio is one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, thereby spreading goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes Amateur Radio's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need.

Nominations should include a summary of the nominee's actions that qualify the individual (or individuals) for this award, plus verifying statements from at least two people having first-hand knowledge of the events warranting the nomination. These statements may be from an official of a group (for example, the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, a local or state emergency management official) that benefited from the nominee's particular Amateur Radio contribution. Nominations should include the names and addresses of all references.

All nominations and supporting materials for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award must be submitted in writing in English to ARRL International Humanitarian Award, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 USA.

Nomination submissions are due by December 31, 2012. In the event that no nominations are received, the committee itself may determine a recipient or decide to make no award.

The winner of the ARRL International Humanitarian Award receives an engraved plaque and a profile in QST and other ARRL venues.

Andrey Fedorov, RW3AH/KL1A, was the recipient of the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. The former chief coordinator of the Russian Amateur Radio Emergency Service (RARES), Fedorov has been involved in providing communications support via Amateur Radio for almost 25 years.

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1865. eHam.net News for Tuesday 25 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-25 22:44:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235545fdd3c004ca8e72b4@google.com>
Source record: 1832
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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LaFayette Middle School Amateur Radio Club Contacts ISS:

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 05:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29015

The LaFayette Middle School Amateur Radio Club (W4LMS) had the opportunity to be one of 18 schools in the entire world to make contact with the International Space Station (NA1SS), specifically with Commander Suni Williams. The students who are members of the middle school's amateur radio club asked about 15 to 16 questions to Commander Williams about life on the space station. The space station was visible in the sky for about 10 minutes, so it was a quick question and answer session. It was a great opportunity for the students, and I hope that this sparks an interest in engineering or the hard sciences.

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Dr. Robert Carrel Honored for Invention, Community Service:

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 05:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29014

The Fannin County Amateur Radio Club, along with the Plano, McKinney, and Grayson clubs, hosted a reception for Dr. Robert Carrel on Saturday afternoon, September 15, at the Family Life Center in Bonham. Dr. Carrel was honored for his research and development of the Log Periodic antenna which resulted in his being designated as the antenna's co-inventor in 1963. This type of antenna was the basis for many home TV antennas in the 1960s and 1970s. This design continues to see broad use in amateur, commercial and government service around the world. Bonham Mayor Roy Floyd presented a certificate of commendation to Dr. Carrel for his technical achievements as well as his support of many organizations in and around Fannin County.

1866. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 25 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 02:23:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011da15448fa604ca91821c@google.com>
Source record: 1833
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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JOTA Scout Event Brings Amateur Radio Station to FC - Falls Church News
Press

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 04:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHu2j6rCDUVJ91136kZfLOckYgoow&url=http://www.fcnp.com/around-fc/12654-jota-scout-event-brings-amateur-radio-station-to-fc.html

JOTA Scout Event Brings Amateur Radio Station to FC
Falls Church News Press
Area Boy Scouts will be setting up a field radio station next month in Falls Church. The Jamboree-on-the-Air event will transform a field at 2034 Great Falls St., Falls Church, into an amateur radio station on Oct. 20 from 7 a.m. – 10 p.m.. The station ...

and more

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Lack of support annoys residents - The Bay of Plenty Times

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 05:40 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGf9n_B6jPGJ6aS2Oyu39l5hUi37A&url=http://www.bayofplentytimes.co.nz/news/lack-support-annoys-residents/1559132/

Lack of support annoys residents
The Bay of Plenty Times
Residents of Veda Glen yesterday petitioned the city council to appeal an Environment Court decision which allows amateur radio enthusiasts to erect radio masts up to 20m high. They said a radio aerial proposed by a neighbour would be an eyesore ...

1867. The ARRL Contest Update for September 26, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 05:14:13 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20120926042316.8FB3025A80@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1834
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

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September 26, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Here comes a pair of major state QSO parties - California and Texas.
The Texas QSO Party <http://www.txqp.net/> is this coming weekend and
the California QSO Party <http://www.cqp.org/> is the following
weekend. These are great contests for new HF operators in North America
- both are domestic (meaning modest stations do quite well) and there
is enough activity to keep the weekend interesting without intense
crowding. You may also hear some Chinese stations mixed in with the
Californians - this is the weekend for the Worked All Provinces of
China <http://www.mulandxc.org/> contest - the first-ever Chinese DX
contest!

BULLETINS

There are no bulletins in this issue.

BUSTED QSOS

K3EST's has been a member of the WRTC Sanctioning Committee for 16
years, not 26. Your editor is losing his ability to subtract,
apparently. (Thanks, Bob W6RGG)

The QST edition of Contest Corral for September should have listed the
CQ WW RTTY Contest and Texas QSO Party as starting on Sept 29th. The
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online PDF version <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is correct.
(Thanks, Dick W0RAA)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Sep 29-30

- SKCC Straight Key Sprint-- (Sep 26)
- 902 MHz Fall VHF Sprint
- CQ WW RTTY Contest
- Texas QSO Party

Oct 6-7

- ARRL EME Contest
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Oct 2)
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Oct 2)
- 432 MHz Fall VHF Sprint (Oct 3)
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, Digital (Oct 5)
- DX/NA YLRL Anniversary Party (Oct 5)
- PSK Rumble - The Fall Classic
- Worked All Provinces of China
- EPC Russia DX Contest--Digital
- Oceania DX Phone Contest
- Worked All Britain HF Contest--Phone
- California QSO Party
- EU Autumn Sprint--Phone
- RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The World Wide Radio Operator Foundation <http://www.wwrof.org/>
(WWROF) has assumed sponsorship of the popular PVRC Webinar series
beginning with "A Look at the Upcoming PA & CA QSO Parties". PA QSO
Party chairman Mike Coslo N3LI and CA QSO Party representative John
Miller K6MM will provide an overview of their upcoming QSO parties. The
webinar will be presented on Monday, Oct 1 at 9 PM EDT and registration
<https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/925057098> is free as always.
(Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

This year's package of Sweepstakes information (rules, records,
writeups, forms, etc) is now available online at the ARRL Sweepstakes
web page <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>. This is a great
introduction and reference to the oldest of the domestic contests, held
on the first and third weekends of November. (Thanks, Sean KX9X)

All 58 California counties should on the air during the upcoming
California QSO Party as shown in this activity map/cheat sheet
<http://www.cqp.org/Counties-Plan-2012.html>. There are also some new
club contesting rules <http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html> designed to (1)
encourage county expeditions and mobile operations in the rarer

California counties and (2) to clarify how proportional points are awarded for club totals when a club member participates in a multi operation. In addition, Ontario (VE3, not the southern California city) remains a single multiplier for CQP. The partition of Ontario into four different RAC sections does not affect CQP scoring. (Thanks, Bob N6TV and Alan K6SRZ)

The web site for the Stew Perry Top Band Distance Challenge <http://www.kkn.net/stew> has been successfully moved to its new host, just in time for the Oct 20/21 Stew Perry Warmup. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

Also on October 20-21, Jamboree on the Air <http://www.scouting.org/jota> (JOTA) is getting closer. The Scouting website has been updated with a great deal of supporting content. They have also just posted a promotional video <http://youtu.be/s2ef3PJQ4vQ> directed at hams letting them know what it is and how to get involved. Right on the heels of School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup> during the preceding weekdays, JOTA is a great opportunity to introduce ham radio to kids and young adults. (Thanks, National Jamboree on the Air Organizer, Jim K5ND <jim.wilson@scouting.org>)

From the AMSAT <http://amsat.org> News Service bulletin ANS-260 comes an article <http://thespacereview.com/article/2155/1> that discusses how CubeSats have captured the attention of space agencies and universities world-wide due to the significant amount of science that can now be packed aboard.

If you sometimes use paper to log contest contacts, Charlie KX7L reports, "For turning old paper logs into ADIF, I've used something called Fast Log Entry <http://df3cb.com/fle/> (FLE) by DF3CB. It's very simple. You enter the date, mode and band once and they stay the same for subsequent QSOs until you change it. Then just enter time and call for each QSO. You don't even need to enter the whole four digits of time, just the minutes will do if that's all that changed. It's free and simple. ADIF2CABR <http://www.dxzone.com/cgi-bin/dir/jump2.cgi?ID=27508>, by SP7DQR looks pretty good (converting ADIF to Cabrillo format). You can pick which ADIF fields get converted into the Sent and Received exchanges. If you enter the received mult as a comment in FLE (enter '#' after the call, then the comment) then you can tell ADIF2CABR to use the CMT field."

Web Site of the Week - Stanford Magazine recently featured a great article, "Members Make Waves <http://alumni.stanford.edu/get/page/magazine/article/?article_id=55978>", about the W6YX club, perched high in the hills above the Palo Alto campus. In an interview, the club's current trustee, Dave W6NL, recounts some of the club's history which includes famous names like Packard, Villard, and Terman. (Thanks, Steve K6AW and Bob N6TV)

WORD TO THE WISE

3830 - what is this 3830 business, anyway? Before the web, there was 75 meters. After the contest participants would gather near 3830 kHz to exchange scores, excuses, and embellishments. The collected scores would then wend their way through the contest community by various media. An email reflector named "3830" was created by Trey N5KO (then WN4KKN) in the early-1990s, the name recognizing the over-the-air, post-contest watering hole. A few years later, Bruce WA7BNM created a claimed-score reporting website <http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/> that sent collected information to the email reflector and Dink N7WA added the score compilations, completing the electronic claimed-score posting system we all use today.

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

One very interesting story of examples of how ham radio has proven to be significant in technology and politics is this video story <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NZtBsUQ9nkA> of the Lithuanian revolt and QSOs with the ham station in the parliament building that helped keep the world informed. (Thanks, Dave W6NL)

The Van Allen Belts - regions of high-energy charged particles trapped in the Earth's magnetic field - live up above the ionosphere. Learn more about these interesting features of our planet's immediate vicinity in this NASA Earth Observatory article <http://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/IOTD/view.php?id=78985>.

Things get a little scary around the 1-minute mark in this controlled demolition video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hPmXEuSHwKY> of a tower being dropped in place. Just before the 2-minute mark, watch the antenna at the top waving "bye-bye"! (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

☐2011 ARRL EME Contest certificates went out the door recently. CW Sweepstakes certificates will be following them today (Wednesday) and Phone Sweepstakes certificates shortly thereafter, just in time for motivating you during this year's contests! You'll like the return of the stickers including the new post-adjudication Clean Sweep stamp as seen at right! Plaques will be shipping soon, too. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The preliminary results for the September CW Sprint <http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintcwprelim.php> are now posted online. Congratulations to Trey N5KO on another victory. (Thanks, CW Sprint Manager, Tree N6TR)

Results for the 2011 running of the Arizona Statehood QSO Party <http://www.azqsoparty.org/> are now online for your viewing pleasure. Plaques and certificates will be following shortly!

The 16th Amateur Radio Direction Finding World Championships <http://www.arrl.org/news/ardf-update-a-baker-s-dozen-of-medals-for-ardf-team-usa> were recently held in Serbia. The USA team really stepped up this time, bringing home 13 medals, including the first-ever American gold medals!

ARDF, quite popular around the world, has been attracting more and more attention stateside - watch for more ARDF action in your area or help your club sponsor an event!

OPERATING TIP

Contest Elbow - that painful outcome of resting your arm on the elbow while you tune the radio for a long contest. Veteran of many hours at the rig, Ken K6LA/VY2TT suggests, "The best solution for forearm soreness problems is football elbow pads. I cut the cloth lengthwise and add Velcro straps across the pads to keep them on but loose enough to be comfortable." Game on!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

As the fall contest season continues to ramp up to full intensity, there has been lots of discussion about table height for contesting. Most tabletops are placed 29-31 inches from the floor but always seem just a little "too" one way or the other. The solution may lie right under you - in an adjustable chair. A small footrest can go a long way towards improving operator comfort as well. Gary K9GS identified an alternate solution, "You can buy very heavy duty adjustable leveling feet that will give you several inches of adjustment. Again Google is your friend but you can probably start with Rockler <http://rockler.com/>, Woodcraft <http://woodcraft.com/>, or Lee Valley <http://leevalley.com/> to find what you need." Jim K8MR has "...installed a slide-out keyboard shelf which rests the keyboard 24 inches above the floor. This works out to be almost literally in my lap." He also suggests, "Use a chair without arms, or at least a chair wide enough that you can drop your arms by your side without using the arm rests. It is much more relaxing...(and)...your wrists will not be bending sideways. Have enough extra cables on your radios that you can slide them to the very front edge of desk. With this, there is only an inch or two of forward motion required to move between the keyboard and the radio...(or)...radios can also be shoved back to a more conventional position, with your arms resting on the desktop. Change of position is always a good thing." He also notes that armless chairs help you stay awake!

Many counties provide the National Electrical Code (NEC) as a downloadable PDF file such as this 2008 version <http://www.garnernc.gov/Publications/Inspections/2008%20National%20Electrical%20Code.pdf> , since it is written into their inspection code requirements. (Thanks, Steve W3AHL)

A tale of telephone RFI on 10 meters from Eddy VE3CUI/VE3XZ recounts his amazement of discovering that "the coiled handset cord while I was seated was immune to RFI but as soon as it was outstretched, it must have acted like a resonant (antenna) on 10 meters!" It just goes to show that anything can act as an antenna - either receiving or transmitting!

The graphic at right shows a method of draining charge from an antenna while also providing some protection against high voltages from static electricity. The basic idea is presented on the K2AV Folded Counterpoise <http://www.w0uce.net/K2AVantennas.html> antenna website. The value of the 5-Mohm resistor is not critical and just needs to be high enough to minimize its effect on antenna impedance while surviving normal operation. Power ratings of 2 watts or better are generally recommended in this application. The spark plug can be mounted directly to a grounded plate, as well.

Based on some reasonable assumptions about converting materials into cost-per-dB, Tom W8JI came up with a reasonable order of progression for low-band station builders:

- A good TX omni antenna
- Good basic RX antennas that fit your location
- An amplifier
- Better RX antennas or bigger amp, depending on your results at this stage
- After the legal power limit is reached and if people still have problems hearing you, only then comes transmitting antenna gain

Dave K6LL reminds us of a method <http://lists.contesting.com/archives/html/Towertalk/1998-11/msg00371.html> for testing coax loss even with an antenna connected. It takes advantage of an antenna's likelihood of presenting a high-impedance at some out-of-band frequency to act as a nearly open circuit. Dave presents a formula for converting the resulting SWR into line loss. The lower the SWR at the high-impedance frequency, the higher the loss.

Along with VE3CUI's discovery on transmitting RFI, Dale K9VUJ also discovered that receiving RFI can be caused by anything. "I myself a few years ago had a random sporadic noise, crackling and very strong especially on the lower bands. One day I had the receiver volume turned up so I could hear it in another room and while I was walking though the kitchen I heard the "crackle crackle" while I walked. I went to the basement and started looking all around. What I found was the metal wire that is used to hang suspended ceiling tile was barely touching a metal electrical conduit above the tile and any amount of vibration would cause static in the radio."

The round "flip-top" containers for chewing gum lozenges make great small-parts holders for toolboxes and on the workbench. The labels peel right off so you can easily see what's inside and the small flip-up hatch makes it easy to get out one part at a time.

What is the worst radio location in the world? Well, it's not actually on this world, according to the Popular Science <http://www.popsci.com/> article "Satellite Radio" in the October 2012 issue. The worst place turns out to be on the dark side of the Moon but the noise floor is really, really low!

Technical Web Site of the Week - 3D printing is a technology that is going to be increasingly common in ham radio as evidenced by this

Makezine review
<http://blog.makezine.com/2012/09/09/makes-3d-print-shop-weekend-day-1/>
of 15 different consumer-grade 3D printers. Consider that just a few
years ago, these were high-end industrial products costing five figures
and up. Now we have "consumer grade" and more than a dozen available
plus online plans for building your own. (Photo of Charlotte hamfest)

==> CONVERSATION

Lowering the Broom

Not to mix a metaphor or anything but there is a lot of low-hanging
fruit to be swept up in this year's ARRL November Sweepstakes
<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>. The contest's manager, Larry Hammel
K5OT observes that we will "be surprised at the number of opportunities
that exist in both modes on the all-time records list
<http://www.arrl.org/contest-records>!" Of course, there are the four
new Ontario sections to push the top scores up by three more
multipliers - a built-in bonus of nearly four percent!

The two new Low-Power categories added in 2011 still have 111
section-level records unclaimed in Multi-op, Low Power and 54 in
Unlimited, Low Power. (That includes both Phone and CW.) Where there is
really a lot of opportunity is in the School Club category. At the
section level, there are 49 CW records for which an entry has never
even been submitted and 31 on Phone! Don't you have a high-school or
college club nearby that might like to claim a record of their own?
Even if the club is not formally organized, the multi-operator
categories are wide open.

Larry has done quite a bit of review in the Sweepstakes records and
you'll see a more extensive article by him in the upcoming issue of the
National Contest Journal <http://ncjweb.com/>. In the meantime, a visit
to the online records would certainly be in order, don't you think?

Speaking of those clubs, you have some great opportunities to
motivate some young radio aficionados with the School Club Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup> on October 15-19 that is
followed by Jamboree On The Air <http://www.scouting.org/jota> (JOTA).
Invite some of these potential hams to your shack for a few hours of
radio time and see if a few of them might not like to put in a few
hours during Sweepstakes. A challenge with another local group is a
good motivator, too! I also recommend a post-contest pizza party.

For personal efforts, shooting for a record is a great way to stay
engaged throughout the contest and fight off fatigue. Make an
hour-by-hour chart of your best effort, then add the record line and
see how close you can get this year. Maybe you'll be able to add your
own call sign to the list. A note to contest managers - if your club
sponsors a contest, be sure to keep your record list up to date. It
attracts participation and makes the results more interesting when you
can talk about new records being set.

The unique "clean sweep" of Sweepstakes multipliers has always been represented by "the broom". Many a time, a station is one of the rarer sections will hear "Thank for the sweep!" as a final section is logged and checked off the list. The new clean sweep stickers are also being added to Sweepstakes certificates this year - maybe you'll see one in your mailbox soon? Why not hand out specially-decorated brooms to your club's high achievers? It makes a great program event at the annual holiday party!

Crossing off each section as you log them is one of contesting's great traditions, whether you are computer logging or not. The list was printed at the bottom of the paper entry forms - it was great to send in a log with all sections marked off! The excitement of the new Ontario sections, expectations for high-band activity, and a whole raft of records within reach should have every broom-wielding clean sweep mug chaser counting the days to the first and third weekends in November. Let's lower our brooms to the noise floor and get to work!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW from Sep 26, 0000Z to Sep 26, 0200Z. Monthly on the 4th Wednesday UTC. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/sks>

CQ WW RTTY Contest--Digital from Sep 29, 0000Z to Sep 30, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, CQ zone and State/VE area (US/VE). Logs due: Nov 1. Rules <http://www.cqwwrtty.com/>

Texas QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital from Sep 29, 1400Z (multiple operating periods, see website). Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies (MHz): CW--20 to 50 kHz above band edge; Phone--25 kHz above edge of General segment. Exchange: RS(T), county or S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.txqp.net/>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW from Oct 2, 0200Z to Oct 2, 0400Z. Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW from Oct 2, 1600Z (see website). First through fourth Monday of each month. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144, see website for bands. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW,Digital from Oct 5, 0200Z to Oct 5, 0300Z. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/>

DX/NA YLRL Anniversary Party--Phone,CW,Digital from Oct 5, 1400Z to Oct 7, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial, RST, and section/province/country. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ylrl.org/>

PSK Rumble - The Fall Classic--Digital from Oct 6, 0000Z to Oct 6, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: Name and call area (see website). Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.n2ty.org/>

Worked All Provinces of China--Phone,CW from Oct 6, 0000Z to Oct 6, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial or province abbreviation. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.mulandxc.org/>

EPC Russia DX Contest--Digital from Oct 6, 0400Z to Oct 7, 0359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: EPC member nr or serial and grid square. Logs due: Oct 22. Rules <http://www.epc-ru.ru/>

Oceania DX Phone Contest--Phone from Oct 6, 0800Z to Oct 7, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: Nov 7. Rules <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/>

Worked All Britain HF Contest--Phone from Oct 6, 1200Z to Oct 7, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 14-28. Exchange: RS, serial, DXCC entity or WAB area. Logs due: Oct 28. Rules <http://www.worked-all-britain.co.uk/>

California QSO Party--Phone,CW from Oct 6, 1600Z to Oct 7, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial and state/prov/"DX" or CA county. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.cqp.org/>

EU Autumn Sprint--Phone from Oct 6, 1600Z to Oct 6, 1959Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eu-sprint.com/>

RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest--Phone,CW from Oct 7, 0700Z to Oct 7, 1900Z. Bands (MHz): 21,28. Exchange: Serial and UK district. Logs due: Oct 22. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL EME Contest--Phone,CW,Digital from Oct 6, 0000Z to Oct 7, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 2.3G+. Exchange: Call signs, sig rpt, acknowledgement. Logs due: Jan 1. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

902 MHz Fall VHF Sprint--Phone,CW,Digital from Sep 29, 7 AM to Sep 29, 1 PM. Bands (MHz): 902+. Exchange: 6-character grid locator. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

432 MHz Fall VHF Sprint--Phone,CW,Digital from Oct 3, 7 PM to Oct 3, 11 PM. Bands (MHz): 432. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: 4 weeks. Rules <http://www.svhfs.org/>

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==> LOG DUE DATES

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- September 29, 2012 Ohio State Parks on the Air <http://parks.portcars.org/ospota/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/ospota-rules-12april2012.pdf>
- September 30, 2012 AGCW Straight Key Party <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests_and_CW-activities:Straight_Key_Party_%28HTP%29>
- September 30, 2012 IARU Region 1 Field Day, SSB (see society websites)
- September 30, 2012 Brazil Independence Day BPSK31 CDX Contest <http://brcontest.com/resultado/indday/2012/INDDAYENGL.htm>
- September 30, 2012 Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW <http://www.sactest.net/blog/rules/>
- October 1, 2012 Colorado QSO Party <http://ppraa.org/downloads/coqp/2012%20COQP%20Rules%2012-1.pdf>
- October 1, 2012 Kansas QSO Party <http://www.ksqsoparty.org/rules/>
- October 1, 2012 SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital Contest <http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- October 1, 2012 Russian RTTY WW Contest <http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/93>
- October 1, 2012 Hawaii QSO Party <http://hawaiiqsoparty.org/HIQSOPartyRules-2012.html>
- October 1, 2012 CIS DX QPSK63 Contest <http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1371&Itemid=282>
- October 3, 2012 Tennessee QSO Party <http://tnqp.org/wp/?page_id=11>
- October 4, 2012 MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint <http://www.qsl.net/miqrpclub/contest.html>
- October 6, 2012 FOC QSO Party <http://g4foc.org/Default.aspx?pageId=1143601>
- October 7, 2012 WAB 144 MHz QRO Phone <http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#OtherRules>
- October 8, 2012 AGCW VHF/UHF Contest <http://www.agcw.org/en/?Contests_and_CW-activities:VHF-UHF_Contest>

- October 8, 2012 QCWA Fall QSO Party
<http://www.qcwa.org/2012qso-party.htm>
- October 9, 2012 G3ZQS Memorial Straight Key Contest
<http://www.fists.org/operating.html>

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1868. iPhone App To Help You Learn Spanish Faster By Using Flashcards With Pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 05:33:06 UTC
From: szhikyef11@googlemail.com
Message-ID: <65bdc5a9-304a-41a5-aa38-ebeb04c482d5@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1835

http://goo.gl/CRhLz - "Spanish Flashcards with Pictures" is an iPhone app that will help you learn Spanish faster by using flashcards with pictures (learn over 300 most commonly used words in the English / Spanish language from A to Z), thanks.

1869. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 26 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 06:19:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011d90d6dc35d04ca94cc2e@google.com>
Source record: 1836
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Wisconsin - Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club 2012 Swapfest!

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 10:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362676-Wisconsin-Fox-Cities-Amateur-Radio-Club-2012-Swapfest!&goto=newpost

Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club 2012 Swapfest! NEW LOCATION!!

Fellow HAM-Sters...

Hamfest weekend in Wisconsin is coming! The Milwaukee Repeater Club Hamfest is Saturday, November 3rd in Milwaukee and the FCARC Hamfest is November 4th in Appleton, Wisconsin. Why not enjoy a full weekend of hamfesting and send the family to our beautiful shopping malls for a great weekend of pre-holiday shopping?

The Fox Cities Amateur Radio Club is having another great hamfest on Sunday, November 4th, 2012 at Monarch Gardens, 2311 W. Spencer St. in Appleton, Wisconsin. Our hamfest could be one of the best kept secrets in Wisconsin. Raffle tickets are $2 or 3 for $5. Tables are only $10 in advance and general admission is only $5 in advance. Vendor setup is at 6AM with general admission starting at 8AM.

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VE Testing will be available for those folks that want to upgrade or get their new license!

See http://www.fcarc.us/hamfest.php for more information. Hope to see you there!!!

73,

Tony, AB9IO

FCARC Hamfest Chair

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OMARC Sat Sept 29 Wall Twp, NJ

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 04:07 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362621-OMARC-Sat-Sept-29-Wall-Twp-NJ&goto=newpost

Ocean Monmouth Amateur Radio Club is having their Fall Hamfest this Saturday Sept 29. For the flyer please go to http://www.omarc.org

Lots of door prizes! Indoor Spaces-commercial vendors coming!

Visit the Vintage Radio Museum across the street afterwards, FREE admission! Check out http://www.infoage.org

Camp Evans was the place that the first Radar Moon Bounce was done in 1946. Look for the 50' parabolic dish on our site-you can't miss it!

1870. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 26 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 11:14:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f5039d25a258b04ca98ec66@google.com>
Source record: 1837
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Sacred Heart School of Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TcM_kOMZXQU/ariss_event_2609.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Sacred Heart School of Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada on 26 September

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Big Sun-diving comet discovered

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0e6vjXVQisQ/big_sun_diving_comet_discovered.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Astronomers are paying close attention to a newly-discovered comet, C/2012 S1 (ISON), which is heading for a remarkably close encounter with the sun

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First RSGB ARDF world champion

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7OHtydVzg94/first_rsgb_ardf_world_champion.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Amateur Radio Union of Serbia hosted the 16th IARU World ARDF Championships last weekend and one of the RSGB M70 team gave the Society its first gold medal winner

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Sand Island Lighthouse activation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8R2dl1d_wA8/sand_island_lighthouse_activation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Those intrepid hams in the Atlanta area lead by Ricky K4JTT are at it again with the third annual activation of a lighthouse that rarely sees much ham radio activity

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Chinese Amateur Radio Club in Tibet

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ESca7nC5XNs/chinese_amateur_radio_club_in_tibet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chinese club station BY1WXD will operate as BY1WXD/0 for ten days from the Tibet Autonomous Region between 27 September and 7 October 7, 2012

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Emergency wireless system to close

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_OY4D2MlSB4/emergency_wireless_system_to_close.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Sussex Courier reports that an emergency wireless communications system is to be scrapped

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Radio Hams assist in Ganpati Visarjan

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/U-MM9PkLwHI/radio_hams_assist_in_ganpati_visarjan.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Times of India reports that radio amateurs are assisting in Ganpati Visarjan festival

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NH0J from Tinian Island

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/759rGujVppY/nh0j_from_tinian_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

I am pleased to announce that JA1NVF (Kit), JF7ELG (Kowata), JJ2VLY (Miho/YL), and JQ2GYU (Yutaka) will be active from RST (Radio Space of TINIAN) in Tinian Island (OC-086) between October 18-22, 2012 as NH0J

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Video of LaFayette Middle School ISS contact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fHNyz8n5xMo/video_of_lafayette_middle_school_iss_contact.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When Jody Carter was 8 years old, his father tried unsuccessfully to contact the space shuttle via ham radio. Thirty years later, the second time was the charm

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Milton Keynes buses to use wireless charging

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x4VvLmAogDY/milton_keynes_buses_to_use_wireless_charging.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Buses in Milton Keynes in Buckinghamshire will use wireless charging. It is understood this system will use HF frequencies

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Amateur radio trio in Albania

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6a2XYmQ6gok/amateur_radio_trio_in_albania.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Petr, ZA/OK1FCJ, Pavel, ZA/OK1DX, and David, ZA/OK6DJ, want to show up in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-10m (incl. WARC bands) from Sep 27 till Oct 3

1871. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 23rd September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 16:25:18 UTC
From: Some One <manwithagavel@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <4991cc48-9698-4b84-b7a8-6d30507d1596@r9g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1838
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Sep 24, 6:40 pm, "Brian Reay." <seewebsite...@ild.com> wrote:
> The key factor is that they are serious about the hobby.

so what do you define as serious?
are you saying that if you dont attend conventions you are not serious?

1872. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 26 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 16:29:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405711f42b704ca9d542f@google.com>
Source record: 1839
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Update: HRD 6.0 in beta with Continuing Development

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 03:51 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362722-Update-HRD-6-0-in-beta-with-Continuing-Development&goto=newpost

HRD Software, LLC Tampa, FL September 25, 2012

HRD Software, LLC wants to update the status of Ham Radio Deluxe version 6.0 for the ham community.

Ham Radio Deluxe 6 is now in beta test as development continues. The beta team continues their fine job of testing the code before release.

In addition to QA and beta testing, Chris Peters, N4KIT and Ferry Holsderver, PD9FER have joined the support team. Having Chris in the U.S.A. and Ferry in Europe allows HRD software to expand its email and ticket support hours.

In addition, HRD and QRZ have been working on speeding up callsign lookups. This increase will be seen in HRD 5.24.36 and even faster lookups with release 6.0.

The 6.0 features will include, but are not limited to:

New awards reporting for DXCC, WAS and other major awards.

Improved ☐Worked Status☐ icons for spots to show if needed on band/mode or all time new one

Support for AR, CC and Spider Packet clusters.

QSX on split spot

Better Cluster filtering

Worked Status Icons in the DX cluster spots.

Enhanced callsign lookups in Logbook and DM-780.

FSK for RTTY

Supersweeper, CW, RTTY and PSK for decoding multiple signals

New rotor support (M2, RT-21 and MDS RC-1 and more)

New and enhanced radio support.

Added callsign lookups for Buckmaster web, calllook.info XML , RAC and SAM CD's

Improved ADIF

The retail price for version 6.0 is $79.95, but you can pre order and save $10. To purchase and download the product go to http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD YouTube Channel: http://www.youtube.com/HRDSoftware

1873. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 26 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 16:51:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340571f7769304ca9da2b2@google.com>
Source record: 1840
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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XX9TFR XX9TPX XX9TBM XX9TEX Coloane Island

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 11:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362756-XX9TFR-XX9TPX-XX9TBM-XX9TEX-Coloane-Island&goto=newpost

EA7FTR , EA5HPX , EB5BBM and EB7DX will be active from Coloane Island (
IOTA AS-075) , Macao 18-29 October 2012 as XX9TFR , XX9TPX , XX9TBM , XX9TEX

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-island_macao/

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2012 Arizona Centennial QSO Party Announcement!

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 04:10 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362725-2012-Arizona-Centennial-QSO-Party-Announcement!&goto=newpost

Announcing the 2012 Arizona Centennial QSO Party, sponsored by the ARRL
Arizona Section and Catalina Radio Club, from Oct 13 1600Z to Oct 14 0600Z
and Oct 14 1400Z to Oct 14 2359Z. Phone, CW and Digital modes on
160/80/40/20/15/10/6/2 meters. Single-Op, Multi-Op, Arizona Multi-Multi,
Arizona County Expedition and Mobile categories. Work stations once per
band and mode. Mobiles may be worked once per band and mode in each county.
County Line operations (two counties max) count as 2 QSOs. Outside Arizona
exchange name and location (State, Province, or DXCC Prefix). Arizona
Stations send a year of significance in Arizona History (see rules) and
State/County abbreviation. Suggested Frequencies (kHz): CW: 1812, 3548,
7048, 14048, 21048, 28048, 50048. SSB: 1848, 3848, 7189, 14248, 21348,
28448, 50148. FM Simplex: 146.48MHz. One point per Phone QSO, two points
for CW and Digital QSOs. Multipliers for non-AZ entries are the 15 AZ
counties by band and mode. Multipliers for AZ entries are States,
Provinces, and DXCC Countries by mode. Final score is total QSO points
times total multipliers + 100pts for Bonus Station W7SA. Mail logs no later
than Oct 31 to Catalina Radio Club, C/O Gary Keck, PO Box 17811, Tucson, AZ
85731 or via email to logs@azqsoparty.org . For full rules, along with log
and summary sheets, Cabrillo electronic file format, and Award information,
see http://www.azqsoparty.org.

Looking forward to hearing you on the air!

1874. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 39 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 18:44:02 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20120926184335.A504A9B80147@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1841
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 39 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-09-26
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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The UKSMG would like help in compiling a survey of your Most Wanted
Countries on 6m. We first conducted a survey in 2007 and the results
proved very popular in helping a number of leading Dxpeditioners decide
where to go next. The results of this survey will be published in the
January 2013 issue of Six News.
Once you have ticked the boxes on the attached PDF, please ensure you
have included your callsign in the necessary box, and then click on the
last box to email me your results.
Please note that this is not a survey of the most wanted countries
world-wide.
This separate survey can be accessed by going to:
http://www.uksmg.org/most-wanted-form.php

Thank you. Peter, *G3ZSS*, Editor of Six News.

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: GU & GJ ; Guernsey & Jesrey ; Square: IN89 ; start 2012-09-29

NEWS by Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2012-09-22:
All is ready to take of. As well the time schedule is now fixed:
sept. 30th till oct. 5th the TEAM will be qrv from GJ!
On 5th to 6th they will move to GU by ferrie and be qrv from GU until oct. 9th (
latest mid of the day to start their back trip).

Hermann, DL2NUD, and Peter, DJ4TC, will be qrv some days from GU and GJ
during sept. 29th and oct. 09th, 2012
Main goal are the higher bands these time. Activity on 144 MHz will be only short!
The Team will be ready with following equipment:
144: 9 el 7KF hor./vert. abt. 400W
432: 21 el hor. 120W (400W sometimes)
1296: 62 el hor. 200W (400W sometimes)

Source: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2012-10-01

Bodo, DF8DX, qrv from SV9 on HF and 23cm EME

Equipment will be like on my previous DXpeditions IC7000 with transverter (100W) and 59ele yagi.
call: SV9/DF8DX
Grid: KM25 (exact locator will be given later)
IOTA: EU-015
Activity on 23cm EME:
October 2, 2000-2130z (for EU)
October 3, 0400-0600z (for NA)
with backup dates:
October 3, 2030-2200z (for EU)
October 4, 0430-0600z (for NA)
Frequency: TX first on 1296.090MHz / RX on my own echo frequency (just like in CW)

I am one week on SV9 but I would prefer you work me on the suggested times because i want to spend some time with my wife on this vacation and also enjoy some HF (CW only) activity as well
as maybe activity from EU-187. Further skeds on request (if necesary). Check www.mmmonvhf.de for updates.

73 de Bodo, DF8DX

SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DF8DX, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA ; Spain ; Square: IN93 ; start 2012-10-06

ED2T DXPEDITION FOR IARU CONTEST 2012

We will be qrv from IN93ia, 1570m asl.
70cm: 2x 4yagi array + PAs
23cm: 8x long yagi + PA
13cm: 1x long yagi + PA
3cm: 70cm prime focus + 1W

>From this qth we have good take off to central europe and G.

Hope to cu

SOURCE: tnx to ED2T direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php

and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1875. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-057E - Distracted Driving Bulletin: Ontario ExtendsExemption

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 21:19:21 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50637131.7010804@rac.ca>
Source record: 1842
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-057E - Distracted Driving Bulletin: Ontario Extends Exemption
2012-09-25

The Radio Amateurs of Canada are today announcing written confirmation from Minister Bob Chiarelli of the Ontario Provincial Government regarding a five year extension of exemption to the Ontario distracted driving law. In his letter, Minister Chiarelli explains that the current exemptions for both Amateur Radio and Two Way Commercial Radios will be extended until January 1st, 2018.

Minister Chiarelli expresses his hope that in that time commercial hands free alternatives will be found for two way radios. While RAC finds victory in the five year extension, a permanent solution is desired and required.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada will continue to pursue a permanent exemption for Amateur Radio operators in Ontario. Similar exemptions already exist in many other provincial jurisdictions in Canada - thanks in part to the efforts of local amateurs and RAC's national strategy to address distracted driving legislation.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada is Canada's national voice for Amateur Radio. Our efforts not only promote the Amateur Radio Service but protect it from regulatory interference that may lead to less capability to provide emergency communications. Not already a RAC member? Why not join today at www.rac.ca and find out about the many benefits our members enjoy across the country and the world beyond.

Bill Gade, VE4WO
Regulatory Affairs

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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1876. eHam.net News for Wednesday 26 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-26 22:06:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341263ef269004caa206db@google.com>
Source record: 1843
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Mound Amateur Radio Members to Host Public 50th Celebration:

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 05:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29018

In 1962, the Miamisburg Mound Laboratory's basic communications were by telephone. "The phone system was federal, but could be taken down," said Jack Melke, Mound employee from 1969-2003. "Some Mound employees visited the Kansas City lab and found they were using Ham radios as a backup, which was more secure. When they returned, they started up the Mound Amateur Radio Association (MARA)." Melke, a West Carrollton native and resident, is the current president of MARA. He started his career at the Mound as a radiation control technician and ended as a building engineer, taking care of the underground technical building. "MARA could pass information on in emergency situations and communicate with local civil defense - our major underground building was a civil defense shelter. I knew about MARA and was interested, but didn't become a Ham operator and join until 2007," the 63-year-old said.

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Zombie Apocalypse Survival Gear: Ham Radios:

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 05:45 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29017

The zombies are coming! Quick: What should you scavenge together for the impending attack? Baseball bat, check. First aid kit, check. Ham radio equipment? You better hope so. Earlier this week, Dragon Con -- the annual sci-fi, fantasy and comic book convention -- hosted a panel covering communication in a post-apocalyptic world. According to Wired's coverage of the conference, several attendees may have been disappointed by the panel's primary topic of discussion: amateur radio. While amateur radio may not be as exhilarating as fighting zombie hordes, it may be the most effective tool during an apocalypse. So why invest in amateur radio equipment for a potential zombie apocalypse (you can never be too prepared!)? Like most investments, amateur radio's success depends on diversification. The amateur radio community has millions of members worldwide and several hundred thousand licensed operators in the United States. This fact combined with the dedication of local radio clubs makes ham radios one of the best communication systems during a zombie attack. Amateur radio operators can send out signals from their personal stations either in their homes, on the road, or even from the International Space Station. If these

operators send their signals on the right frequency, local radio repeaters can detect the signal and re-broadcast them.

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2012 Arizona Centennial QSO Party Announcement:

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29016

Announcing the 2012 Arizona Centennial QSO Party, sponsored by the ARRL Arizona Section and Catalina Radio Club, from Oct 13 1600Z to Oct 14 0600Z and Oct 14 1400Z to Oct 14 2359Z.

1877. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 26 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-27 03:45:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646d8d627ef904caa6c442@google.com>
Source record: 1844
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Morse code on Earth - EDN.com (blog)

Posted: 26 Sep 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGQSQCIJllD9nq_D7LsuUd72KDsgQ&url=http://www.edn.com/electronics-blogs/a-ham-s-eye-view/4397154/Morse-code-on-Earth

Morse code on Earth
EDN.com (blog)
Even amateur radio licensing no longer requires a test in Morse code. So why is it ... First, any active ham can tell you that CW, being a narrow-band mode, can “get through” in marginal conditions when wider-bandwidth modes (like voice) cannot. There ...

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Chinese Amateur Radio Club in Tibet - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 25 Sep 2012 10:34 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEBZBJThYWHP_JGbkkDfocDhBvGqg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/chinese_amateur_radio_club_in_tibet.htm

Chinese Amateur Radio Club in Tibet
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Chinese Amateur Radio Club in Tibet. Club station BY1WXD will operate as BY1WXD/0 for ten days from the Tibet Autonomous Region between 27 September and 7 October 7, 2012. Their QTH will be near Lhasa, Chengguan District, Tibet Autonomous ...

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Ham radio operator signs off on licensing duty - Ocala

Posted: 12 Sep 2012 01:19 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFE-EQRjrLmk-7KZqFBbDFe5ujajA&url=http://www.ocala.com/article/20120912/ARTICLES/120919890

Ham radio operator signs off on licensing duty
Ocala
He got involved in amateur radio, commonly called "ham" radio, when he was 12, got his first ham license in 1955 and spent a career at Motorola as a quality assurance engineer until he retired in 1998. On Tuesday, fellow hams honored Toler before he ...

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Ramona Turner, Street Smarts: Readers weigh in on Greyhound, satellite

phones - San Jose Mercury News

Posted: 26 Sep 2012 05:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG138TohkDhzDBqfO9P9ML_F2USgw&url=http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_21638865/ramona-turner-street-smarts-readers-weigh-greyhound-satellite

Ramona Turner, Street Smarts: Readers weigh in on Greyhound, satellite phones
San Jose Mercury News
Better solutions: a CB radio -- yes, they still exist -- or an amateur radio, which requires a license. Compared to a satellite phone, the advantages are ... Ham radios get pretty good coverage in the mountains. But you need to pass an easy test to be ...

and more

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Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day - Press-Register - al.com (blog)

Posted: 03 Sep 2012 06:01 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFEhzAmAIBj7C7ybzcZIZNE-eoVMA&url=http://blog.al.com/pr-community-news/2012/09/ham_radio_club_alumni_reunite.html

Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Ham radio club alumni reunite for annual field day
Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Eight of the clubs 18 amateur radio operators (“hams”) gathered to test their emergency communication readiness at an outlying area not normally used for a ham radio station, where they set up portable equipment powered by generators, batteries and ...

1878. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 27 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-27 06:39:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bac43d74a6004caa93411@google.com>
Source record: 1845
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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ARAST Elmira International Hamfest / Computerfest

Posted: 26 Sep 2012 06:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362781-ARAST-Elmira-International-Hamfest-Computerfest&goto=newpost

ARAST Elmira International Hamfest / Computerfest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

09/29/2012 Start Date: 09/29/2012

End Date: 09/29/2012

Location: Chemung County Fairgrounds

Grand Central Avenue

Horseheads, NY 14845

Website: http://www.arast.org

Sponsor: Amateur Radio Association of the Southern Tier

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.360+ (PL 114.8 on output; not required)

Public Contact: Randy Viele , N2SYT

c/o ARAST, Inc. PO Box 614 Horseheads, NY 14845

Phone: 607-398-0411

Email: 2012Hamfest@arast.org

1879. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 27 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-27 11:03:31 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3033462f65c60904caace394@google.com>
Source record: 1846
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P0q3KVPP6QM/september_27.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A bumper week and an extra special weekend with over 8000 reported
contacts, slightly more on Saturday than Sunday!! A different top DX every
day and top spotting done by N7DB and W3LPL. Terrific stuff

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Live TV broadcast of Amateur Radio CubeSat deployment

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-LpcVFlOMcc/live_tv_broadcast_of_amateur_radio_cubesat_deployment.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The deployment of five CubeSats from the International Space Station
commencing at 1510 UT today (Sept. 27) will be broadcast live on the web

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Sid May ET3SID/AB3OZ/G4CTQ Silent Key

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/63AjslA8XXA/sid_may_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society Chairman Sid May ET3SID / AB3OZ / G4CTQ
passed away September 25

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IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI - SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nSTUY3up3HU/michael_owen_vk3ki_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Michael Owen, VK3KI, IARU Region 3 Chairman and President of the Wireless
Institute of Australia, passed away on September 22. He was 75

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Distracted driving: Ontario extends exemption

Posted:
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The Radio Amateurs of Canada are today announcing written confirmation from
Minister Bob Chiarelli of the Ontario Provincial Government regarding a
five year extension of exemption to the Ontario distracted driving law

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BAA-RAG Meeting - National Space Centre Leicester

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The BAA Radio Astronomy Group (BAA-RAG) have an impressive line-up of
speakers for their General Meeting taking place Saturday, October 27 10:30
to 17:30 at the National Space Centre, Leicester, LE4 5NS. The event is
open to all

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Makers unite - the revolution will be home-made

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BBC News reports on the growing army of home constructors some of whom are
creating new innovative products

1880. HOT SEXY VIDEOS AND ROMANTIC BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS']

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-27 14:38:26 UTC
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1881. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 30 2012

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Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-09-30.mp3
Text edition:
WIANEWS - September 30 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 30 2012.

THIS BROADCAST IS DEDICATED TO THE LIFE OF MICHAEL OWEN VK3KI SK

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Vale Michael J. Owen VK3KI (sk)

With extreme sadness and surprise we record the death of the WIA President,
and IARU Region 3 Chairman, Michael Owen VK3KI at his home on the afternoon
of Saturday the 22nd of September. Our sincere condolences to Michael's
family and friends.

Michael was influential over many decades through his membership of the WIA
Victorian Division Council, and then through the ranks of administration both
here and overseas.

He was a director of the IARU Region 3 when it formed in 1968, a Federal
WIA President 1969-1972, WIA Honorary Life Member, and on the Australian
delegation at the ITU World Administrative Radio Conference in 1979 which
delivered the so-called WARC bands.

Michael is mainly known by today's radio amateurs as leading the WIA in partnership with the late Chris Jones, from its federal structure to a national organisation.

In May 2004 the WIA adopted a new Constitution, changing the structure to one of direct membership, governed by a board of directors.

A few weeks later the administration (ACA) released its findings on a major review of Amateur Radio in Australia.

Michael had carriage of the end to Morse code as an Australian licence requirement, reduction of licences to two, the Advanced and the Standard, plus introduction of the new Foundation Licence.

He achieved all this and more within in a decade on the domestic scene but Michael never took his eye off the international arena.

Amateur radio societies around the world have benefited from Michael's enthusiasm and experience. While away overseas he was the IARU Vice President for 10 years.

He participated in many IARU committees and was a member of the IARU Observer Team at a number of World Radiocommunications Conferences, in particular WRC03.

There he was responsible for Article 25. It included the abolition of mandatory Morse code, a freeing up of amateur radio involvement in emergency communications and third party traffic.

On his return home the WIA became highly regarded by government agencies and the ACMA.

He became the Chairman IARU Region 3 at Bangalore in 2005, and was preparing for the next regional meeting in Ho Chi Minh City, in November.

He was survived by his wife Nan, who accompanied him on many official functions, and his two daughters. A Funeral was held on Friday the 28th of September, at St Andrews Anglican Church, Brighton, Victoria.

Michael's legacy will live on through the formation of the WIA Foundation, a new venture for which Michael so strongly championed.

Phil Wait VK2ASD.

Tributes to Michael Owen have come from right around the world. They are too numerous to mention all in detail, but on this special broadcast we will include a few of those testimonies to a truly remarkable man, and a couple of voice clips of himself.

Tributes have been received from the IARU, the member societies of the IARU Regions 1, 2 and 3, radio clubs and the many individuals who knew him.

Michael was influential in shaping the hobby of Amateur Radio and then progressing through the ranks of administration both here and overseas.

The very early days saw him team up with David Wardlaw VK3ADW.

As a young man Michael was, first licensed in 1957 as VK3ZEO, and was a foundation member of
The Radio club at Melbourne University
In 1961 he joined me on the WIA Victoria Division Council, a position he held for many years,
Michael with his legal background was always interested in the Wireless Telegraphy Act which later in 1983 became the Radiocommunications Act. During the drafting of this act Michael had many meaningful discussions with officers from the Department.
He went on to help form the IARU Region 3 Association.
His achievements through the IARU are legendary particularly .as a director of region 3 and for 10 years as Vice President of the IARU.
He spent 12 weeks in Geneva, as a member of the Australian delegation to ITU WARC 79 one of the most important ITU conferences in the history of amateur radio
At the time of his death he was chairman of IARU Region 3
I feel a great sadness having lost Michael a good friend to me and my family .

Michael took an interest in the early days of space exploration. Here he is talking at the Project Australis amateur satellite gathering at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology.

(Audio Of Michael At Project Australis)

Michael was a member of the group who provided the secretariat for the Region 3 Association when it formed in 1968 and became a Director in 1971.

He was WIA Federal President 1969-1972.

During the early years, and on a number of occasions since then, Michael came across an individual who followed him later in WIA affairs and to the IARU Region 3.

Let us listen to a tribute paid by Jim Linton VK3PC.

It was Michael Owen who signed me in as a Junior Associate of the WIA in 1962.

Our paths crossed during the decades, including my time as WIA Victoria President, at Federal Conventions including the sharing of notes on the Radiocommunications Act.

We became partners through his involvement in the Bangalore conference where he entered as the WIA representative and left as its leader.

At the Centenary Celebrations Committee meetings he drew heavily on the expertise, experience and knowledge that existed within all of us.

It was only a few days since we met to discuss the next regional meeting in Ho Chi Minh City.

On behalf of the Council of Amateur Radio Victoria, the IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee, and all who knew Michael Owen, he will be a sadly missed colleague that cannot be replaced.

Our deep thoughts go to his family and friends at the sad loss.
Jim Linton VK3PC

Mentioned in that piece is a lot on information that will be picked up and expanded by future speakers.

Representing the IARU Region 3 at Michael's funeral was Peter Lake ZL2AZ. Let us now hear his thoughts.

Michael Owen will truly be missed by many radio amateurs world-wide.

Having known him for many years I remember him taking on the lead role of the IARU Region 3 at the Bangalore conference in 2006.

With his vast experience and knowledge, both in amateur radio and as a corporate lawyer, he was able to put the regional organisation on the right course.

On behalf of all on the IARU Region 3 board of directors, we have lost aleader.

To his family, the IARU and the WIA goes our sincere prayers.

Peter Lake ZL2AZ, Director of the IARU Region 3.

Now we take you back to the start of the IARU Region 3 being formed and the years that followed, through the help of his colleague David Sumner, Chief Officer of the ARRL.

I recall first meeting Michael Owen 36 years ago at the first ever meeting of all three IARU regions to coordinate global preparations for the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference.

In Florida in April 1976 Michael came as an IARU Region 3 Association Director, to represent the IARU Member-Societies of the Asia-Pacificregion.

He was not simply a colleague; he was a friend.

Among the assignments that Michael drew at WARC-79 was to draft a resolution to exempt the Amateur-Satellite Service from coordination procedures that otherwise would have bogged us down in endless paperworkand great expense.

As an attorney it was just the sort of thing he was good at. His work has stood the test of time.

His death is a searing loss for both the IARU and the WIA.

Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this very sad time.

David Sumner K1ZZ, ARRL Chief Executive Officer

One of the many influenced by Michael is the current IARU President, Tim Ellam VE6SH. Here is his tribute.

I am very saddened to hear about Michael?s sudden passing.

I was only speaking to him a few days ago. Michael was a good friend and mentor to many of us in IARU.

His drafting skills were second to none, and his ability to clearly articulate his position on a number of issues was of immeasurable help to us.

The IARU is indebted to his work at the World Radio Conferences and many regional Asia Pacific Telecommunity meetings. He certainly taught me a greatdeal.

The IARU extends sympathies to his family, IARU Region 3 and WIA. I speak for all of my colleagues when I say he will be very sorely missed.

Tim Ellam VE6SH, IARU President

Michael received many awards over the years. He was Federal WIA President 1969-1972 and a WIA Honorary Life Member.

He was a recipient of the Ron Wilkinson Achievement Award with David Wardlaw VK3ADW for their work at the ITU World Administrative Radio Conference 1979.

Michael also received from the Board of the RSGB the prestigious Calcutta Key award, for "Outstanding service to International Friendship through amateur radio".

On his return from overseas Michael was much sought after. Many of today's radio amateurs see him as taking the WIA, in partnership with the late Chris Jones, from its federal structure to a national organisation. In May 2004 the WIA adopted a new Constitution, a lot of work indeed, changing
the structure to one of direct membership, governed by a board of directors.

A few weeks later the administration "Australia Communications Authority " released its findings on a major review of Amateur Radio in Australia.

There was to end the Morse code licence requirement, reduction of five licence grades to two, and the introduction of the beginners or Foundation Licence.

Working on the project with Michael were many others including those conducting assessments through the WIA Exam Service, and appointing a Registered Training Organisation for assessor training and accreditation.

He was also very passionate about the WIA Centenary Celebrations, with its unbeatable WIA Convention held in Canberra.

Now let us listen to Michael speak at the time.

(Audio of Michael)

The Australian Communications and Media Authority have paid their tribute.As follows ...

"The ACMA is saddened to hear of the death of Michael Owen.

He was responsible for significant reform of the WIA, was well known across the ACMA and had worked closely with many staff on a range of issues, including several meetings and discussions in recent weeks.

The ACMA extends its condolences to the amateur community that Michael so tirelessly and effectively represented, as well as to his friends and family."

He also had a close interest in supporting 'Amateur Radio', the magazine. With a view of Michael's contribution is the magazine's editor, Peter Freeman VK3PF.

Michael Owen took a deep interest and showed a true passion toward the WIA journal Amateur Radio magazine and the annual callbook.

His visits to the WIA Publications Community meetings developed into an exchange of ideas that lead to standard of product that was reached, and within budget.

Through his enormous knowledge and wisdom, the members and advertisers truly have an on-time and worthy monthy magazine.

I know his work was appreciated by the Publications Committee, which expresses its deep sadness to all of his family and friends.

Peter Freeman VK3PF, Editor of Amateur Radio magazine.

Many radio societies from around the world have sent messages of condolence ...Here are a few ...

Please extend our deepest condolences to Michael Owen's Family and WIA.73
Cesar Pio Santos HR2PEMCOR IARU R2

Please convey the deepest condolences from the Executive Committee and Members of the Hong Kong Amateur Radio Transmitting Society to family members of Michael J. Owen and the WIA. Wishing him rest in peace.
Sunny Chan VR2XGE
For and on behalf of
Hong Kong Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (HARTS)

Please extend our deepest condolences to his family and WIA.
FROM CRSA and CRAC
de BA1RB / Fan Bin

Please convey our sincere condolences to Michael Owen's family and WIA.
It is a great loss to all amateur radio community.>From KARL

Please relay our Heartfelt condolences to his family.
>From all in Malaysia.Choy 9W2PCK

Through Michael being President, the WIA became highly regarded by government agencies and the ACMA for its professionalism and efficiency.

This was also evident on the Broadband over Powerlines issue, the WIA examination service, the management of callsigns, and many other matters.

Highly respected by all who knew him, both in his professional career as a lawyer and for his work with Amateur Radio, Michael J Owen VK3KI will be very sadly missed.

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Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh ‘and always if the news room is to read your

item write in the 3rd person.

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1882. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 27 September 2012

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5U6E 5U8NK Niger

Posted: 26 Sep 2012 02:13 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362835-5U6E-5U8NK-Niger&goto=newpost

F6EXV and DJ8NK will be active from Niger 1-15 October 2012 as 5U6E and
5U8NK

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/5u6e_5u8nk_niger/

73 Al 4L5A

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ESPN - SPECIAL EVENT THIS FRIDAY, September 28, 2012

Posted: 26 Sep 2012 12:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362829-ESPN-SPECIAL-EVENT-THIS-FRIDAY-September-28-20
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WE1SPN will be operating a special event station in conjunction with
ESPN's "Safety & Awareness" day. We will be demonstrating our club's
ability to operate in an emergency communications mode by making as many
contacts as possible in this two hour window. We will be on or around
7.195, 14.305 or 21.355 at 1100 - 1300 EDT or 1500 - 1700 Z on sideband. We
will most likely be QRP with a 10 watt Elecraft KX3, but we may also press
our Icom 7000 into service. Antenna will be a Buddipole. Power will be from
battery, and we'll be outside at the fair in our own tent with full audio
for passersby. Please feel free to QSL, we will upload to LoTW after the
event, but we'll also reply to paper QSLs if you include a business size
SASE (US/Canada) or two green stamps with a business size SAE. Sorry, but
we're a budgetless club and have no funds for postage.

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ESPN SPECIAL EVENT THIS FRIDAY, September 28, 2012

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1883. The ARRL Letter for September 27, 2012

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Date: 2012-09-27 21:57:52 UTC
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+ Available on ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

==> + ON THE AIR: HAMS FROM FIVE COUNTRIES HELP PUT KOSOVO ON THE AIR
FOR THE FIRST TIME

On September 12, the Autoriteti Rregullativ i Telekomunikacionit
(ART) -- Kosovo's telecommunications regulatory authority -- created
the necessary legal framework for the development of an Amateur Radio
Service in the Republic of Kosovo by approving its Regulation for
Amateur Radio Services. Although not formally assigned a prefix by the
International Telecommunication Union, Kosovo will use the Z6 prefix.
Currently, Kosovo does not count toward the ARRL's DXCC Award, as it
has not been assigned a prefix by the ITU (per DXCC rule II.1.a), nor
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has it been recognized by the United Nations (per DXCC rule II.1.b).

Nigel Cawthorne, G3TXF, and Bob Barden, MD0CCE/N2BB -- members of the Chiltern DX Club (CDXC) -- were part of a team of operators led by IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, that activated Z60K, the first Amateur Radio station in the Republic of Kosovo. Along with Cawthorne, Barden and Blondeel Timmerman, the team included the following radio amateurs: Nik Percin, 9A5W; Emil Balen Zdravko, 9A9A; Emir Mahmutovic, 9A6AA; Martti Laine, OH2BH; Jorma Saloranta, OH2KI, and Pekka Holstila, OH2TA. Click here <http://www.arrl.org/news/a-first-hand-look-at-the-z60k-activation-in-kosovo> for Cawthorne's and Barden's account of the Z60K activation.

==> + FORMER AMSAT PRESIDENT BILL TYNAN, W3XO, TO RECEIVE RCA'S GOLDWATER AWARD

The Radio Club of America (RCA) has announced that William A. Tynan, W3XO, of Kerrville, Texas, will receive its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award. First given in 1994, the Goldwater Award is given to an RCA member who is also a licensed amateur, in recognition of a long record of service to the public through the use of Amateur Radio. Tynan -- an RCA Fellow and an ARRL Life Member -- will receive the award at the RCA's 103rd annual awards banquet, held in New York City on November 16. ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, also an RCA Fellow, will be the banquet's keynote speaker. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-amsat-president-bill-tynan-w3xo-to-receive-rca-s-goldwater-award>.

==> + SILENT KEY: IARU REGION 3 CHAIRMAN MICHAEL OWEN, VK3KI (SK)

IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI, passed away September 22. He was 75. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA) -- that country's IARU Member Society -- was active in the IARU and served as a member of the IARU Observer Team at a number of World Radiocommunication Conferences. He is perhaps best remembered for his work on Article 25 -- a package of revisions to the international Radio Regulations that are specific to the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services -- at WRC-03.

Amateur Radio societies around the world have benefited from Owen's enthusiasm and experience; he was passionately involved with the Amateur Radio Service since the 1960s, and served as IARU Vice President from 1989-1999.

"I am very saddened to hear about Michael's sudden passing," IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, told the ARRL. "I was only speaking to him a few days ago and he was very enthused about leading the IARU Region 3 Conference in Ho Chi Minh City in a few weeks. Michael was a good friend and mentor to many of us in IARU. His drafting skills were second to none, and his ability to clearly articulate his position on a number of issues was of immeasurable help to us. The IARU is indebted to his work at WRCs and at many regional Asia Pacific

Telecommunications meetings." Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/iaru-region-3-chairman-michael-owen-vk3ki-sk>.

==> + ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET IN COLORADO THIS WEEKEND

The ARRL Executive Committee will meet Saturday, September 29 in Denver, Colorado. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, serves as Chairman of the Executive Committee. Five Division Directors who are elected by the ARRL Board of Directors are also on the committee: Midwest Division Director Cliff Ahrens, K0CA; Northwestern Division Director Jim Fenstermaker, K9JF; Central Division Director Dick Isely, W9GIG; Rocky Mountain Division Director Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT, and West Gulf Division Director David Woolweaver, K5RAV. ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, and ARRL First Vice President Rick Roderick, K5UR, are non-voting members of the Executive Committee. ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and Second Vice President Bruce Frahm, K0BJ, will also attend the meeting. Click here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-executive-committee-to-meet-in-colorado>
for the meeting's agenda.

==> FEDERAL EMPLOYEES CAN HELP SUPPORT ARRL THROUGH THE 2012 COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

For the past 11 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL as a participant in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). This campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated almost $192,000 for ARRL programs since it first became an option for federal employees to donate to the League. The CFC provides an easy way to support the ARRL's effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/federal-employees-can-help-support-arrl-through-the
-2012-combined-federal-campaign>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: ATTENTION KIT BUILDERS -- THE ARRL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful, educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more advanced projects. We are looking all sorts of kits, but RF detector kits that work in the 380 MHz-2.5 GHz range are of special interest. The kits should also have a "Wow, I built this and it works!" factor. If you know of such a kit, please let us know by filling out a simple form here <http://www.arrl.org/technology> by October 31.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad "We all shine on, like the Moon and the stars and the Sun
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EqP3wT5lpa4>" Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers rose this week from 56 to 81.3, while the average daily solar flux increased from 101.4 to 129.7. This increase is expected to continue over the next few days, with the solar flux

peaking at 150 on September 28-29, then going to 145 on September 30-October 1, 140 and 135 on October 2-3, 130 on October 4-5, 125 on October 6-7, 120 on October 8, 115 on October 9-10, 120 on October 11, 115 on October 12-13, and 120 on October 14-15. It is then expected to rise to a peak of 150 on October 20 and 150 again on October 25-26, with the average solar flux on October 21-24 around 141. The average planetary A index declined from 7.4 last week to 4.3 this week. The predicted planetary A index values are 5 on every day through October 2, then 10 on October 3, 8 on October 4-5, and 5 on October 6-11. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, September 28. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>. This week's "Tad Cookism" is brought to you by John Lennon's Instant Karma! <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Instant_Karma!>

==> ARRL HQ SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR QST TECHNICAL EDITOR

The League is currently looking to fill the position of QST Technical Editor at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. Connecticut residency or the ability to relocate to Connecticut is required. The QST Technical Editor will provide leadership to the technical Amateur Radio community by developing and promulgating a vision of the state of the Amateur Radio art through the pages of QST.

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- An Amateur Extra class license.

Click here <http://www.arrl.org/employment-opportunities> for more information and an application. To apply, please send your cover letter and resume via e-mail <mlevesque@arrl.org?subject=Technical20Position>, or complete the application, print it out and mail it with your resume and cover letter to Monique Levesque, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. You can also fax your application, cover letter and resume to 860-594-0298. Please include your salary history and salary requirements. The ARRL is an equal opportunity employer.

==> + SILENT KEY:ETHIOPIAN AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY CHAIRMAN SID T. MAY, ET3SID (SK)

Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society (EARS) Chairman Sid T. May, ET3SID/G4CTQ/AB3OZ, passed away September 25. In 1993, May established ET3AA, the first Amateur Radio club in Ethiopia. According to Hailemelekot Negussie, AB3OX, of EARS (Ethiopia's IARU Member Society), May taught Amateur Radio licensing classes in Ethiopia for more than 15 years. An accredited ARRL Volunteer Examiner, May administered the FCC Amateur Radio license exam to prospective Ethiopian hams. He took part in administering an FCC exam session in December 2011 where more than 50 Ethiopians received US call signs; May gave his last exam session on September 10, with 18 sitting for the exam. "Sid was a teacher, a mentor and a father to all of us at ET3AA," Negussie explained. "We feel very saddened about the news, and extend our condolences to his family and wish for his soul to rest in peace. Sid is survived by hundreds of ambitious radio hams and engineers who will forever be inspired by his humbleness and vision." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ethiopian-amateur-radio-society-chairman-sid-t-may-et3sid-sk>.

==> SILENT KEY: EVERETT GRACEY, WA6CBA (SK)

Everett Gracey, WA6CBA, of Grass Valley, California, passed away on August 26. He was 90. In 1979, Gracey -- along with Ken, K6HCP, and Jacqui Holladay -- founded Mirage Communications in Gilroy, California. After selling Mirage, Gracey founded RF Concepts in 1986. Both Mirage and RF Concepts sold and manufactured VHF and UHF amplifiers. After Gracey sold RF Concepts, he continued to lead the company's marketing team for the next six years. In August 2000, Gracey joined forces with LDG Electronics as its dealer representative and marking consultant. Gracey was also responsible for bringing Alinco Electronics -- a radio manufacturer in Osaka, Japan -- into the USA marketplace. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/everett-gracey-wa6cba-sk>.

==> + LAST MAN STANDING PRODUCER CANCELS SPECIAL EVENT

Due to concerns over perceived violations of Section 97.113(a)(3) <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2011-title47-vol5/pdf/CFR-2011-title47-vol5-sec97-113.pdf>,
Last Man Standing Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, has cancelled the Last Man Standing Special Event Station planned for October 28 <http://www.arrl.org/news/em-last-man-standing-em-plans-special-event-station>.
Amodeo had applied for and received a 1�1 call sign -- K6T -- to use for the event that would have taken place on the show's set. Last Man Standing stars Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KA0XTT. "Although the intent of the Special Event Station was to celebrate and promote ham radio, it might be interpreted as promotion for the show and that cannot be permitted," Amodeo explained. "While we are disappointed with the cancelation of what would have been a fun, one-of-a-kind event, I know that as a licensed amateur and producer of broadcast programs, compliance with the FCC rules takes precedence. We will find other fun ways to use our station and promote ham radio soon. Mike Baxter's fictitious station, KA0XTT, will continue to appear on the set of Last

Man Standing, but the radios will remain silent." Last Man Standing
<http://beta.abc.go.com/shows/last-man-standing> begins its second
season on Friday, November 2 at 8/7 Central.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- September 29 -- Microwave Fall Sprint (local time)
- September 29-30 -- Texas QSO Party; CQ WW RTTY Contest
- October 2 -- ARS Spartan Sprint
- October 3 -- German Telegraphy Contest
- October 3 -- 432 MHz Fall Sprint (local time)

Next week:

- October 5 -- NCCC Sprint
- October 5-7 -- YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest
- October 6 -- TARA PSK Rumble Contest; EU Autumn Sprint (SSB)
- October 6-7 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>;
California QSO Party; EPC Russia DX Contest; Oceania DX Contest (SSB);
WAB HF Phone Contest
- October 7 -- UBA ON Contest (SSB)
- October 10 -- 10-10 International 10-10 Day Sprint; NAQCC Straight
Key/Bug Sprint
- October 10-11 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- September 28-29 -- SEDCO/W4DXCC VIII Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/sedco-w4dxcc-viii-convention>, Pigeon
Forge, Tennessee
- October 7 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-nutmeg-hamfest>,
Meriden, Connecticut
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>,
Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>,
Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>,
Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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1884. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 27 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-28 02:10:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010e835806a4904cab98ebf@google.com>
Source record: 1901
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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White Mountain Amateur Radio Club hosts flea market Sept. 29 - Conway Daily
Sun

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 01:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFttcpQmVk35xDWoYstv7GAj_5cMg&url=http://www.conwaydailysun.com/index.php/community/organizationsclubs/92849-white-mountain-amateur-radio-club-hosts-flea-market-sept-29

White Mountain Amateur Radio Club hosts flea market Sept. 29
Conway Daily Sun
Come and learn what Ham Radio is all about. The funds that are raised from
this event will go towards the purchase of emergency communications
equipment for the White Mountain Valley. Admission is $5 and if you would
like to set up a table it is $15 ...

and more

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Play A Role In Disaster Communications For Madison And Surrounding Towns -
Patch.com

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 04:21 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH5rzjEipZ6XZ-wHdOS7kho-w6MrQ&url=http://madison-ct.patch.com/articles/play-a-role-in-disaster-communications

Play A Role In Disaster Communications For Madison And Surrounding Towns
Patch.com
Amateur Radio ("Ham Radio") gets the message through for your family and
community during times of emergency. Madison is part of a four-town zone
that also includes Branford, North Branford, and Guilford. Together, the
towns make up the CT Amateur ...

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Man's ham hobby becomes a business - Mansfield News Journal

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 04:02 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHqDv1xQ_YZ8QxMC35SmSDql7XlbQ&url=http://www.mansfieldnewsjournal.com/article/20120927/BUSINESS/209270307

Mans ham hobby becomes a business
Mansfield News Journal
MANSFIELD -- Byron Nelson has transformed his hobby of being an amateur
radio operator into a business selling and repairing ham radios. Nelson,

whose wife Pamela Nelson owns Nelson Enterprises at 791 Springmill St., got his start with ham radios ...

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IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI (SK): - eHam.net

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 04:45 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGSLhB6kS62SgpXAvb_8JPbhqlnrg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29027

IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI (SK):
eHam.net
Amateur Radio societies around the world have benefited from Owens enthusiasm and experience; he was passionately involved with the Amateur Radio Service since the 1960s, and served as IARU Vice President from 1989-1999. "I am very saddened to ...

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ALLEN BELL - Corning Leader

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 02:04 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFDC0gmuSX2bVDx_X9TMtRKhxEj5g&url=http://www.the-leader.com/obituaries/x422899809/ALLEN-BELL

ALLEN BELL
Corning Leader
He was a member of the Broadcast Engineers and Professional Engineers, was active in civil defense and amateur radio communications and was radio officer for Steuben County and emergency coordinator for the ARRL. He sold his interest in the New York ...

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Zombie Apocalypse Survival Gear: Ham Radios - PhysicsCentral.com (blog)

Posted: 24 Sep 2012 02:27 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGIqgWOjb6sy5Q8sr3tzjEdRj0QUw&url=http://www.physicscentral.com/buzz/blog/index.cfm?postid%3D6677734713071112214

PhysicsCentral.com (blog)
Zombie Apocalypse Survival Gear: Ham Radios
PhysicsCentral.com (blog)
The amateur radio community has millions of members worldwide and several hundred thousand licensed operators in the United States. This fact combined with the dedication of local radio clubs makes ham radios one of the best communication systems ...

1885. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 28 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-28 06:28:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced16ebcb604cabd2a8a@google.com>
Source record: 1902
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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CARAFEST: October 7, Howard County Fairgrounds : Just west of Baltimore, MD

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362899-CARAFEST-October-7-Howard-County-Fairgrounds-Just-west-of-Baltimore-MD&goto=newpost

ARRL Maryland State Convention

ARRL Speakers and Forums (Further info @ www.carafest.org)Free VE ExamsLarge Outdoor Tailgate AreaGates open to tailgaters at 6AM and to the public at 8 AMGeneral Donation $6Tailgate spaces $10 ea. + one General Donation per person

Vendors

Indoors: 1 ☐ 4 tables, $20 ea. 5+ tables, $18 ea.Requires purchase of one General Donation ticket per personCommercial Vendors (indoors and outdoors) may set up on Saturday, October 6, after noon.Contact David Parkison, KB3VDY, at vendorsales@carafest.org, or (410) 977☐1249

1886. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1833 - September 28 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-28 09:00:10 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20120928090003.2FC8733C7E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1903
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1833 - September 28 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1833 with a release date of September 28 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Dedicated Cubesat downlinks to be discussed at WRC 2018; Ofcom lifts spectrum restrictions imposed because of London Summer Olympics; Kosovo takes to the ham radio airwaves and the results of the World Radio Direction Finding competition. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1833 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: DEDICATED CUBESAT DOWNLINKS FOR DISCUSSION AT WRC-18

IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, reports that the International Amateur Radio Union's Administrative Council will meet in the next 45 days to address the agenda items for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference. Planning for the dedicated spectrum for university research cubesats will begin at that gathering, but the actual allocation of frequencies may not occur until the 2018 World Radiocommunication Conference.

In an article posted on the ARRL web, Stafford noted, "A lot of radio amateurs are aware of the increasing use of amateur spectrum by small satellites, mainly by universities. It is becoming an increasingly difficult situation to accommodate the number of small, non-commercial satellites within the amateur bands. These education-based satellites do not really fit within the definition of the Amateur Radio Service, but have been accommodated there.

According to W6ROD, these small birds are categorized as nano-satellites weighing between 1 to 10 kilogram and pico-satellites weighing less than 1 kilogram. The International Telecommunications Union is trying to deal with this issue in an orderly manner and a `preliminary' WRC-18 agenda item is to consider whether these satellite operations can be accommodated in an already crowded radio spectrum is being researched.

Stafford concludes by noting that as these issues develop, the IARU will keep its Member-Societies, such as the ARRL, aware of developments with an eye to building the best strategy to deal with those agenda

items in a way that is most favorable to the Amateur Radio Service.

You can read the full article, including many other IARU agenda items at tinyurl.com/looking-at-tinysats. (ANS, ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: UK PARISHES ABANDONING EMCOMM SYSTEM FOR CELLPHONES AND RAYNET

An emergency radio system that has provided a lifeline to Heathfield in the United Kingdom for 25 years is to be scrapped and to be replaced by cellular telephones. But users of the ageing service have criticized the decision to rely on patchy mobile phone service in an emergency. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

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That's right Jim. It is supposed to go away and here's why.

The radio system was created back in 1987 after what has been called the Great Storm. Six parishes still have the gear in service to use emergency situations.

But the district council now wants to abolish them because they are too expensive to maintain. The council pays 3,600 British Pounds a year to maintain the radio gear and a repeater that they are used through.

Parish councilor Bob Wood who has one of the old radios. He says that while thee gear my be old and possibly inadequate for what they want, that doing away with them is silly. He notes that mobile phone networks can only hold a certain number of calls at a time if an emergency happens.

But according to Jim van den Bos, of the District Council, the Wealden emergency radio network radio equipment is now old, less reliable and more difficult to repair. He says that last year a survey of parishes was conducted asking which had been active in the network over the past three years. Out of the 15 who took part, only seven were in favor of continuing.

So what will happen when the old emergency radio system falls silent? According to van den Bos it will likely be ham radio that will be used to augment the cellular network. In a statement he said that the council supports local members of a network of amateur radio users called RAYNET who are willing to respond in an emergency.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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RAYNET in the UK would be quite similar to a combined RACES and ARES here in the United States. (Sussix Courier, Northcliff Media, Southgate)

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RADIO LAW: OFCOM LIFTS TEMPORARY SPECTRUM RESTRICTIONS ON UHF AND SHF BANDS USED FOR OLYMPICS

UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom has announced that as of midnight on September 23rd, temporary operating restrictions on parts of the 70 centimeter and several microwave bands have come to an end. The restrictions on spectrum usage by British radio amateurs had been put in place to permit use of several spectral parcels in relation to the now conceded 2012 London Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games. (RSGB)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: KOSOVO NOW OFFICIALLY ON THE AIR

The Republic of Kosovo is now officially on the air. Station Z-60-K near Pristina commenced amateur radio operation shortly after 1700 UTC on September 17th. The call had been issued to the club station of the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo. For this operation QSL via G3TXF or using ClubLog.

It has to be noted that as Kosovo is not yet a member of the United Nations nor does it have an assigned callsign block allocated by the International Telecommunications Union, it does not meet the established requirements of the ARRL's DXCC program at this time. However CQ has recognized Kosovo as a separate entity for its award and contest programs since 2007. More is on line at www.art-ks.org (DXNL, CQ Newsroom)

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DX SPECIAL: AZORES 9 ISLANDS HUNT SEPT 29 - 30

While short notice, all nine of the Azores islands will be operational from 12:00 UTC on Saturday, September 29th through 12:00 UTC on Sunday September 30th. This a part of the Azores 9 Islands Hunt operating event.

Callsigns to be used are CU1ARM from Santa Maria; CU2ARA from San Miguel; CU3URA on Terceira; CU4ARG from Graciosa; CU5AM on Sao Jorge; CU6GRP on Pico; CU7CRA from Faial; CU8ARF on Flores and CU9AC operating on Corvo.

Operations on CW will be from 7.000 to 7.015, 14.050 to 14.065 and 18.080 to 18.090 MHz. SSB phone operations will be found on 7.175 to 7.195, 14.250 to 14. 275 and 18.120 through 18.135 MHz.

But that's not all. Those holding a QSO with at least 5 different islands will have a corresponding number of tickets placed into a lottery for a free trip to the Azores. Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all 9 islands will be eligible for a second lottery.

All QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau network with special full-color cards. Direct QSL requests via CU2CE. More information on this activation and trip give-away is on-line at azores-islands-hunt.com. And we will have more DX related news at the end of this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (OH2BH)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Dirty Dozen Club Net in Des Moines Iowa.

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ENFORCEMENT: YET ANOTHER FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER BUSTED BY THE FCC

>From the seemingly never ending Florida unlicensed radio station scene comes word that the FCC's Miami Office has issued yet another Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture. This time the recipient of a proposed $10,000 fine is Burt Byng of Miami who the regulatory agency claims operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 107.1 MHz. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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By way of background, this past February 9th agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office T-hunted the source of a signal on the 107.1 MHz to a transmitting antenna mounted on the roof of a commercial property in Miami. The agents determined that the signals on 107.1 MHz exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's rules and therefore required a license. While monitoring the transmission, the agents also heard the station identify itself on the air as "WEROC Radio." Commission records showed that no authorization was issued to Burt Byng or to anyone else for operation of an FM broadcast station at or near this address.

On the same date, agents from the Miami Office, accompanied by the property owner, inspected the unlicensed station's antenna and transmitter located on the rooftop of the commercial building. According to information provided by the property owner, a company called J & B Enterprise US, Inc. was the tenant of the particular area where the transmitting equipment was located.

The property owner provided a copy of Burt Byng's driver's license and identified him as the individual who rented the rooftop space. According to Florida records, Byng is the President of an inactive business named "J & B Enterprises US, Inc."

While researching the matter the agents also discovered that Mr. Byng registered the domain name, ww.werocradio.com, a webpage for "WEROC

Radio." The agents also noticed that the phone number listed in the domain registration was the same phone number listed on in the information provided by the property owner.

In issuing the $10,000 NAL the FCC says that it finds that the record evidence in this case is sufficient to establish that Burt Byng violated Section 301 of the Act by operating radio transmission equipment without the required Commission authorization. As such he is liable for the proposed fine.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles

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As is usual, Byng was given the customary 30 days to pay the $10,000 NAL or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC EXTENDS COMMENTARY DEADLINE ON MD DOCKET 12-201

The public as well as concerned industries have been given more time to tell the FCC what they think of the agency's process for collecting regulatory fees as outlined in MD Docket 12-201. Originally, comments on commission proposals to reform the way in which it evaluates the regulatory fees for the industries it regulates were due by September 17th. While that date has passed, the agency has announced that the new commentary cutoff date is October 9th, with reply comments due by October 23rd.

The FCC also says that it would also like to receive comments on a recent report from the Government Accountability Office. That report is titled "The Federal Communications Commission Regulatory Fee Process Needs to Be Updated." In that document the Accountability Office observes, among other things, that the commission's regulatory fee, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposes some fundamental changes to FCC's regulatory fee program that relate to many of the concerns raised in its report. (FCC, RW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: LAST MAN STANDING K6T SPECIAL EVENT CANCELLED

The highly publicized Last Man Standing K6T operating event will not take place. This according to the television shows Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA.

The thank you to the ham radio community had been slated to happen on Sunday, October 28th. According to Amodeo the decision to cancel was based on concerns about a possible violation of FCC Regulation 97.113(a)(3).

For those not aware, this rule bars any communications using ham radio in which the station licensee or control operator has a pecuniary interest. It also precludes any communications on behalf of an employer.

In making the announcement Amodeo notes that while everyone involved with the planned operation are very disappointed with the cancellation of what would have a fun, one of a kind event, that as a licensed radio amateur and producer of broadcast programs, compliance with FCC rules must take precedence.

Special event station K6T would have worked hams from around world on HF, VHF, UHF, D-STAR and IRLP. While that's not going to take place the good news is that the ham station that is a part of the set of Last Man Standing will remain and continue to be a part of the shows ongoing plot line. (NN6JA)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAM RADIO AT THE USAF MARATHON

David Crawford, KF4KWW, reports that over fifty amateur radio operators from all over the greater Dayton, Ohio. area and coming from as far away as Detroit, Michigan, recently converged on Wright Patterson Air Force Base. This, support the 2012 United States Air Force Marathon held on Saturday, September 15th.

Ham radio operators provided emergency and logistic communications between the race director and his staff. They also assisted with communications to the hydration stations positioned throughout the course.

The United States Air Force Marathon is described as a world class event with over 15000 participants registered and another estimated 15000 volunteers and spectators in attendance. Amateur radio operators were indispensable in communicating information on runner's locations and status, weather heat indexes settings, severe weather notifications and logistic issues.

Robert Aguiar is the marathon Race Director. He says that the senior base leaders of the event have come rely on the communication skills of the amateur radios operators and use them a as a vital resource. He adds that this race would be extremely difficult if not impossible to accomplish without their support and dedication. More about this event is on-line at www.usafmarathon.com. (KF4KWW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMATEUR RADIO TO ASSIST AT VK NATIONAL FUN FLIGHT DAY 2012

Amateur Radio will once again be a part of Australia's National Fun Flight Day this coming November 4th. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, has the details:

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National Fun Flight Day is an event staged by Australian flying clubs to provide pleasure flights for children and families touched by adversity. Amateur radio began its association with this event back in 2011. Thats when the Victoria-based Midland Amateur Radio Club and its station VK3CMZ were invited to participate in the National FunFlight Day by the Bendigo Flying Club. The Midland Club was more than happy to oblige and an operating High Frequency, VHF and UHF station was set up at the event site. A handheld in a plane also provided communication back to children on the ground.

The operation was deemed a major success and the Midland Committee saw it as a worthwhile national amateur radio event. So it then approached the FunFlight manager regarding other amateur clubs' participation. The result of the meeting was very positive and contact information has now been provided to participating flying clubs so that they can contact their nearest amateur radio club.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand.

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More event information on this fun in the sky event down-under is on-line at www.funflight.org. (Midland Amateur Radio Club)

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WITH ARNEWSLINE: ARNEWSLINE FACEBOOK PAGES BREAKS 1000 BARRIER

The Amateur Radio Newsline fan page on Facebook has just passed the 1000 subscriber point. In fact, as we go to air, the number of members subscribed stands at 1004.

The page is managed for Amateur Radio Newsline by James Pastorfield, KB7TBT, who devotes a lot of time and energy to it. So as we pass the 1000 mark and hopefully head toward 2000 or more, we want to pause to thank KB7TBT for his volunteerism in making the page possible and to all of you who contribute to it.

If you are on Facebook but have not yet joined the Amateur Radio Newsline family, you can find us there at by simply typing Amateur Radio Newsline in the blue Facebook search line. We would love to have you there with us. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: BILL TYNAN W3XO TO RECEIVE RCA BARRY GOLDWATER AWARD

The Radio Club of America has announced that former AMSAT North America President Bill Tynan, W3XO, is to be the recipient of its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award. The award recognizes Tynan's lifelong service to the public through amateur radio.

The award will be presented to W3XO at the club's annual awards banquet in New York on November 16th. ARRL Chief Executive Officer Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, will be the keynote speaker at the event. (RCA, W2RS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: WIA PRESIDENT MICHAEL OWEN, VK3SI - S.K.

The changing of the guard in our service continues. This, with the sad news that Michael Owen, VK3KI, the Chairman of Region III of the International Amateur Radio Union and President of the Wireless Institute of Australia has became a Silent Key.

Owen's sudden passing came after suffering what is only being described as a medical condition at his home on Saturday, September the 22nd.

During his many volunteer years, Owen, who was age 75 at the time of his passing, participated in many IARU committees and had been a member of the IARU Observer Team at a number of World Radiocommunication Conferences. He served as IARU Vice President from 1989 to 1999 and is perhaps best remembered for his work on a package of revisions to the international Radio Regulations. These were specific to the Amateur Radio and Amateur Satellite services and presented at the 2003 World Radiocommunications Conference.

Michael Owen, VK3KI, is survived by his wife Nan, and his two daughters. His funeral was to be held on Friday, September 28th at St Andrews Anglican Church in Brighton. Australia. Condolence messages can be sent via the Wireless Institute of Australia by e-mail to condolences (at) WIA (dot) org (dot) au or direct to the surviving family members at PO Box 2042, Bayswater, Victoria 3153 Australia. (WIA, VK6POP)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW FOCUS FOR RADIO NETHERLANDS WORLDWIDE

The Board of Supervisors of Radio Netherlands Worldwide has appointed William Valkenburg as editor-in-chief. This, effective January 1st of 2013.

According to the announcement, Valkenburg will set out the new course for the organization with the recently appointed director general Robert Zaal. The broadcaster will focus on free speech in countries where press freedom is limited and Valkenburg will take responsibility

for journalism within the organization.

As of 2013, Radio Netherlands Worldwide's main focus will be on Africa, and the Arab World, as well as countries such as China, Cuba and Venezuela. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: FRENCH POLYNESIA GETS BROADBAND ACCESS

Another remote area of the world is now on-line. Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, has the details:

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High speed Internet access has come to the islands of the South Pacific. This with word that OmniAccess has expanded its network coverage in the remote French Polynesian islands.

The news follows the company's investment into the opening of a high-capacity network on the Intelsat 18 satellite that first became operational in November 2011. This provides the capacity to enable enhanced broadband internet coverage and network services via Ku-band coverage platform to that isolated part of the world.

As a result, for the first time private yachts, charter yachts and commercial vessels cruising in the region can now benefit from high quality uninterrupted broadband connectivity via the new high speed service.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reporting.

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More on this new service can be found by going to www.noonsite.com and using the search engine at that website. (noonsite.com via K4CPX)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: DARC AND GERMAN NSI COLLABORATE ON FIELD STRENGTH ARTICLE

The National Standards Institute of Germany in cooperation with the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club have jointly authored an article on the calibration of field strength monitors that has been published in the publication Advances in Radio Science'. The article covers a detailed description of a possible calibration setup including uncertainty calculations. You can download an abstract and the full article at tinyurl.com/field-strength-monitors. (DARC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: WESTERN STATES VHF/UHF WEAK SIGNAL NET ON SUNDAYS

The Western States VHF/UHF Weak Signal 75m Net meets every Sunday on 3.920 MHz at 17:30 Pacific Daylight Time. This net is a wide ranging

discussion dealing with all aspects of VHF to microwave building, contesting, and operating. More about this weekly gathering is on-line at www.weaksig.net (N8DEZ)

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DX

In DX, G0VJG will be operational stroke 3A from Monaco between October 1st and the 5th. His activity will be on the High Frequency bands using 100 watts on SSB only. QSL via G4DFI.

A multi-national team is on the air from Conway Reef in the South Pacific Ocean. They plan to be there through October 5th using the callsign will be 3D2C. Their QSL manager is YT1AD.

DL7VSN will be active from Tanzania through October 13th. His operation will be from two locations using the 5H1HS from Zanzibar Island and 5H1HS/3 from Lazy Lagoon Island. Activity is expected on 160 through 10 meters using mainly CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. More about his operation is on-line at Visit his Web page at www.qsl.net/dl7vsn

Lastly word that DJ7RJ who was expected to be active stroke FR from Reunion Island between September 26th and October 21st, has announced he had to cancel his trip. No reason for the cancellation was given. (Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM:

And finally this week, hidden transmitter hunters held their world championships this month and hams from the USA came home with more medals than ever. Amateur Radio Newsline's Joe Moell, K0OV, the details.

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Every two years, on-foot hidden transmitter hunters get together to see who is best in the world. The Sixteenth World Championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding, or ARDF, took place at a ski resort in the mountains of central Serbia. In these big forests, about 330 foxhunters from 33 countries searched for transmitters on two meters and 80 meters using direction finding gear, maps, and compasses, but no GPS. USA was represented by nine men and four women from six states. They ranged in age from 27 to 71.

In previous world championships, USA has won no more than two medals, and no golds. But this year, the team members packed thirteen medals into their suitcases, including four golds.

Standing on the medal podium and hearing the Star-Spangled Banner the most times was Bob Cooley KF6VSE of Pleasanton, California. He won two

golds in the division for men over age 70 in the World Cup competition for individuals and another gold for his two-meter run during the main ARDF competitions. Also winning a playing of our national anthem was Vadim Afonkin KB1RLI of Newton, Massachusetts, who was this year's Team Captain. His gold medal was in the 80-meter ARDF competition.

Other Team USA members on the podium included Jay Hennigan WB6RDV of Goleta, California, who was a silver medalist on 80 meters. Winning bronze in their divisions on that band were Alla Mezhevaya of Loves Park, Illinois, Ruth Bromer WB4QZG of Raleigh, North Carolina and Karla Leach KC7BLA of Bozeman, Montana.

Team USA members earned their right to go to Serbia by medaling in the USA ARDF Championships this June at Mt. Laguna, California and in earlier US championships.

You can read more about Team USA and the ARDF World Championships at www.homingin.com. There are plenty of photos, plus links to the complete results. That's homingin, as one word, homingin.com.

>From southern California, where ARDF activities take place all year long, this is Joe Moell, K0OV, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Again, more information is on-line at www.homingin.com. And "homingin" is spelled as one word. (K0OV)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org.

And a reminder to those of you who still receive these newscasts over our 661-296-2407 dial in line rater than downloading the MP3 file from our website. Of late we have noticed a major decline in the number of those calling into it and as such we are giving consideration to discontinuing it by years end. But before we do, we want to know how many people are actually using it. If you are one of those who call in each week on the phone, please send us a note telling us who you are and the reason you are using telephone access rather than simply downloading the newscast from the Internet.

Our address is the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California, 91350. Or, as we said, you can e-mail us at newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. We look forward to hearing from you.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 from Charleston, West Virginia. And, as always, we thank you for listening.

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1887. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 28 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-28 11:04:45 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba84b651d0704cac10586@google.com>
Source record: 1904
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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FUNcube Dongle Pro+ LF/MF/HF/VHF/UHF SDR video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iTcgJGl9r5g/funcube_dongle_pro.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FUNcube Dongle Pro+ SDR is a complete redesign of the original FUNcube Dongle with many performance improvements and additional features

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TARG in Brentwood Gazette

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C9gWUfmPmQc/targ_in_brentwood_gazette.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Essex based Thames Amateur Radio Group were featured in the Brentwood Gazette newspaper

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EDN - Morse code on Earth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/O9zjI3eaKPU/edn_morse_code_on_earth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The website of EDN magazine features a article that explains why Morse code is still popular

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ACMA tribute to Michael Owen VK3KI

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZKWTZX0ViBQ/acma_tribute_to_michael_owen_vk3ki.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has paid this tribute to WIA President and IARU Region 3 Chairman, Michael Owen VK3KI, who died unexpectedly at his home on Saturday the 22nd of September

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu

rner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu
rner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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New Amateur Radio Forum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mF3mWlSFvwY/new_amateur_radio_forum.htm
?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Southgate Amateur Radio News has just launched a new amateur radio forum
board

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Huntsville Amateur Radio Club 50th Anniversary video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oI9RN-Ulzps/huntsville_amateur_radio_cl
ub_50th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video by Dick Curtis W1TV celebrates the 50th anniversary of the
Huntsville Amateur Radio Club

1888. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 28 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-28 16:12:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235545add14504cac553d5@google.com>
Source record: 1905
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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QRZ Expands Capacity with New Cloud Server

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 05:59 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362956-QRZ-Expands-Capacity-with-New-Cloud-Server&goto=newpost

This evening we're happy to report that we've added an additional server to the QRZ system and moved a few things around to improve performance for all users. Our servers are hosted in the Amazon Web Services cloud and this week we purchased an additional server instance and added it to our mix.

Here is a summary of the changes:

- The previous system consisted of 1 large server and 1 x-large server.

- The QRZ Forums, previously on the 'large' server, are now hosted by the new x-large server

- The QRZ XML service, responsible for Logbook Data Subscriptions, is now on its own dedicated machine.

- The QRZ Callsign server (callsign pages), is now on a dedicated, x-large server.

- All of our servers were upgraded to the latest Ubuntu Linux Edition 12.04

- We finally located a software bug that was needlessly tying up the server CPU

So far the performance looks really great on all parts of the system. The callsign server, which was routinely at 90% busy or more, now loafs along at around 50%. As always however, the change-over was complicated because many things had to be reconfigured and there were quite a few reboots needed to make sure we had it right.

There were also some minor hiccups which were embarrassing but it looks like they're all behind us now. For a short period, we tried out a new load balancing proxy server and it caused our callsign (web) server to loose all incoming IP addresses. When this happened, user logins were temporarily scrambled and it appeared that folks were being logged into other people's accounts. Our separate secure server, which handles accounting, finance, sales, subscriptions, etc., was not involved and no personal information was ever at risk. The whole episode lasted about 10 minutes and was promptly corrected.

Earlier today, we had a problem where people could not login. This was a configuration item that was easy to fix, but, we didn't catch it before some 180 support tickets came onto our desk. We answered each one individually, and that took a while.

Again, we're sorry that there were hiccups, but at the same time we're very happy that the system is now in excellent health and ready for action. Thank you all for your patience and support.

73, AA7BQ

1889. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 28 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-28 16:19:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5171cf905b6c904cac56cd0@google.com>
Source record: 1906
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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N3e special event ,pottstown,pa. @ municipal airport community day

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 06:19 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363007-N3e-special-event-pottstown-pa-municipal-airport-community-day&goto=newpost

N3E

Young Eagles rally.chapter 1250 of the EAA,held at the Pottstown,Pa.
Municipal airport community day.. Sept 29,2012 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
look for us on 40 meters and 20 meters in the general class subbands. Wed
will also be on 2 meter simplex after 12:00 pm on 147.510.

Radio activitys by club members of Pottstown Area Amateur Radio Club
Members.

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H44KW Guadalcanal Island Solomon Islands

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 06:17 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363006-H44KW-Guadalcanal-Island-Solomon-Islands&goto=newpost

G3SWH and G3RTE will be active from Guadalcanal Island (IOTA OC-047) ,
Solomon Islands 18-28 February 2013 as H44KW

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...lomon-islands/

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USS Iowa hosts BSA JOTA

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 08:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362973-USS-Iowa-hosts-BSA-JOTA&goto=newpost

Title:
USS Iowa hosts BSA JOTA

Event Type:
Special Events

Description:
The USS Iowa and the Battleship Iowa Amateur Radio Association (BIARA) will

be hosting the BSA JOTA on October 20th from 1700 to 2300 UTC. Plans include 2 HF stations, 1 VHF/UHF station and 1 satellite station. The BSA team will be using K6B; QSL to KI6KUK. BIARA will be using NI6BB; QSL per address at www.biara.org. Both organizations will be putting the scouts on the air so please suppport us. We also expect the other 3 Iowa class battleships to join us - USS Missouri (KH6BB), USS New Jersey (NJ2BB) and USS Wisconsin (N4WIS).

Starting Date:
10/20/12

Ending Date:
10/20/12

City:
San Pedro

State:
CA

Contact:
KI6KUK or W6HB

Email:
Per QRZ.com

1890. eHam.net News for Friday 28 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-28 22:05:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba84b27856f04caca4141@google.com>
Source record: 1907
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Man's Ham Hobby Becomes a Business:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29037

MANSFIELD -- Byron Nelson has transformed his hobby of being an amateur radio operator into a business selling and repairing ham radios. Nelson, whose wife Pamela Nelson owns Nelson Enterprises at 791 Springmill St., got his start with ham radios while serving in the U.S. Army. He sent a message home to his wife in Mansfield during the Vietnam War, letting her know he was OK. A career Army man, he retired as a mechanic with more than 30 years of service. The new shop, which celebrated its grand opening Sept. 15, sells ham radio equipment and citizen band radio equipment.

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Solar Maximum? Oh, You Just Missed It:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29036

WAITING for solar fireworks to reach a grand finale next year? Um, sorry, looks like you already missed them. Structures in the sun's corona indicate that the peak in our star's latest cycle of activity has been and gone, at least in its northern hemisphere. The southern hemisphere, meanwhile, is on a sluggish rise to solar maximum and may not hit its peak until 2014. This bizarre asymmetry strengthens a theory that has been bubbling among sun watchers for the past few years: our star is headed for hibernation. Having the sun's outbursts turned off for a while would provide a better baseline for studying how they influence Earth's climate. Observations of magnetic footprints called sunspots revealed in the 1800s that the sun moves through a roughly 11-year cycle of activity. Around a solar maximum, the star ramps up production of sunspots, flares and ejections of plasma. During a solar minimum, things quieten down.

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Morse Code on Earth:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29035

My last post described the Morse code being laid down on Mars by the Curiosity Rover's tire treads. I got a couple of messages on the theme of "Morse code? People still use that?" Many commercial and military

services have abandoned Morse in favor of any one of hundreds of digital modes, delivered via HF, VHF, UHF, or satellite. Even amateur radio licensing no longer requires a test in Morse code. So why is it that on certain weekends of the year, the HF amateur bands are jam-packed with tens of thousands of hams blasting their CW signals around the world? (see notes below) I suppose there are a few reasons. First, any active ham can tell you that CW, being a narrow-band mode, can "get through" in marginal conditions when wider-bandwidth modes (like voice) cannot. There are certainly newer digital modes using various flavors of FSK and PSK, some with error-correction built in, but these require some sophisticated electronics to generate and decode, and at the end of the day, they generally provide lower throughput than Mr. Morse's code. You can generate Morse code on a radio by touching two wires together, and decode it by ear. Pretty simple. I know several hams that were licensed in the period after the Morse test was required, and they discovered quickly that making long-distance contacts was a lot harder on voice. They chose to learn the code and started using it.

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Solar Maximum? Oh, You Just Missed It?

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:19 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29034

WAITING for solar fireworks to reach a grand finale next year? Um, sorry, looks like you already missed them. Structures in the sun's corona indicate that the peak in our star's latest cycle of activity has been and gone, at least in its northern hemisphere. The southern hemisphere, meanwhile, is on a sluggish rise to solar maximum and may not hit its peak until 2014. This bizarre asymmetry strengthens a theory that has been bubbling among sun watchers for the past few years: our star is headed for hibernation. Having the sun's outbursts turned off for a while would provide a better baseline for studying how they influence Earth's climate.

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Bonus Amateurlogic Episode Released:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29033

Bonus Amateurlogic Episode Released:

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ARNewsline Report 1833 September 28 2012:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:26 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29032

The following is a QST. Dedicated Cubesat downlinks to be discussed at WRC 2018; Ofcom lifts spectrum restrictions imposed because of London Summer Olympics; Kosovo takes to the ham radio airwaves and the results of the World Radio Direction Finding competition. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1833 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #40:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:47 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29031

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KX9X, NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:41 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29030

This Week in Radiosport:

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Hams from Five Countries Help Put Kosovo On the Air for the First Time:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:40 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29029

On September 12, the Autoriteti Rregullativ i Telekomunikacionit (ART) -- Kosovo's telecommunications regulatory authority -- created the necessary legal framework for the development of an Amateur Radio Service in the Republic of Kosovo by approving its Regulation for Amateur Radio Services.

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Former AMSAT President Bill Tynan, W3XO, to Receive RCA's Goldwater Award:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:39 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29028

The Radio Club of America (RCA) has announced that William A. Tynan, W3XO, of Kerrville, Texas, will receive its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award. First given in 1994, the Goldwater Award is given to an RCA member who is also a licensed amateur, in recognition of a long record of service to the public through the use of Amateur Radio.

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IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI (SK):

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:40 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29027

IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI, passed away September 22. He was 75. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA) -- that country's IARU Member Society -- was active in the IARU and served as a member of the IARU Observer Team at a number of World Radiocommunication Conferences. He is perhaps best remembered for his work on Article 25 -- a package of revisions to the international Radio Regulations that are specific to the Amateur and

Amateur-Satellite Services -- at WRC-03.

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ARRL Executive Committee to Meet in Colorado this Weekend:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:38 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29026

The ARRL Executive Committee will meet Saturday, September 29 in Denver, Colorado. ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN, serves as Chairman of the Executive Committee. Five Division Directors who are elected by the ARRL Board of Directors are also on the committee:

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Federal Employees Support ARRL Through the 2012 Combined Federal Campaign:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:38 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29025

For the past 11 years, the US Office of Personnel Management has designated the ARRL as a participant in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). This campaign for federal government civilian employees, US Postal Service workers and members of the military has generated almost $192,000 for ARRL programs since it first became an option for federal employees to donate to the League. The CFC provides an easy way to support the ARRL's effort to represent its members and all radio amateurs.

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Attention Kit Builders -- The ARRL Wants to Hear from You!

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:36 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29024

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful, educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more advanced projects.

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ARRL HQ Seeks Applicants for QST Technical Editor:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:39 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29023

The League is currently looking to fill the position of QST Technical Editor at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. Connecticut residency or the ability to relocate to Connecticut is required. The QST Technical Editor will provide leadership to the technical Amateur Radio community by developing and promulgating a vision of the state of the Amateur Radio art through the pages of QST.

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Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society Chairman Sid T. May, ET3SID (SK):

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:37 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29022

Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society (EARS) Chairman Sid T. May, ET3SID/G4CTQ/AB3OZ, passed away September 25. In 1993, May established ET3AA, the first Amateur Radio club in Ethiopia. According to Hailemelekot Negussie, AB3OX, of EARS (Ethiopia's IARU Member Society), May taught Amateur Radio licensing classes in Ethiopia for more than 15 years.

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Everett Gracey, WA6CBA, (SK):

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:36 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29021

Everett Gracey, WA6CBA, of Grass Valley, California, passed away on August 26. He was 90. In 1979, Gracey -- along with Ken, K6HCP, and Jacqui Holladay -- founded Mirage Communications in Gilroy, California.

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Last Man Standing Producer Cancels Special Event:

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 09:35 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29020

Due to concerns over perceived violations of Section 97.113(a)(3), Last Man Standing Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, has cancelled the Last Man Standing Special Event Station planned for October 28.

1891. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U'

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-29 01:52:16 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <532a7981-9df4-49ea-8098-a9dd62273605@p4g2000pbj.googlegroups.com>
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GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

1892. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 28 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-29 02:14:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010e8359fbb1304cacdb9a9@google.com>
Source record: 1909
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Needed: Volunteer ham radio operators - bcrnews.com

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 04:27 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEpKY61YzJ4Ce566c_6ScNd49MCxA&url=http://www.bcrnews.com/2012/09/21/needed-volunteer-ham-radio-operators/c6sxn21/

Needed: Volunteer ham radio operators
bcrnews.com
Perry Memorial Hospital in Princeton is looking for licensed ham radio operators who would be willing to volunteer some time at Perry Memorial Hospital operating the hospitals ham radio during a disaster situation. Perry has the radio and essential ...

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Web 2.0 Will Destroy Sirius XM Radio - Seeking Alpha

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 11:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHWYNgyPoqy5zthpFujoqE_JqAVXw&url=http://seekingalpha.com/article/893281-web-2-0-will-destroy-sirius-xm-radio

Web 2.0 Will Destroy Sirius XM Radio
Seeking Alpha
Major players run the risk of throwing billions of dollars into an outdated business model that is going the way of ham radio. In February 2009, Mel Karmazin, Sirius CEO, was lording over a stock that traded for pennies on the dollar, while also ...

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1893. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 29 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-29 11:05:14 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934080354ecd904cad525a5@google.com>
Source record: 1910
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Today work the nine Azores islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GVnzo8o6eLI/work_the_nine_azores_islands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Today, 29-30 September 2012, there will be an exceptional global activity
in the autonomous region of the Azores Islands in Portugal, which will see
at least one amateur radio station active in each of the nine islands of
the archipelago

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PLT pollution raised in the European Parliament

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9Mq5I5l8nW8/plt_pollution_raised_in_the_european_parliament.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Questions have been raised in the European Parliament about the proposed
PLT standard prEN 50561-1 and the interference it could cause to broadcast
radio reception

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Campbell Island set to drop down most-wanted list

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RRLanDiYjIw/zl9hr_pilots.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Campbell Island will soon drop down the charts as many, many Radio Hams
work ZL9HR between November 28th and December 9th

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Metop-B delivers first data from polar orbit

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OmG6dWOmgEE/metop_b_delivers_first_data_from_polar_orbit.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Four of the instruments on the Metop-B weather satellite (AMSU-A, ASCAT,
MHS, GRAS) have been activated this week and are delivering data

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GB100MWT on-the-air Sunday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MZ_opQcSCHc/science_and_discovery_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society have been invited to run stations for
Science and Discovery Day at Sandford Mill museum this Sunday, September 30

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The Sound of Earthsong

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Ham Radio gets a brief mention in this NASA video about the eerie-sounding
radio emissions from around Earth

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eADPAS8iitc/039_september_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers rose this week from 56 to 81.3, and average
daily solar flux increased from 101.4 to 129.7. The increase was expected
to continue over the next few days, with solar flux peaking at 150 on
September 28-29, but what a difference a single day makes

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HamRadioNow - OMIK with Jeff Drew N4JDU

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xAULBooh1tM/hamradionow_omik.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this episode Gary KN4AQ talks to Jeff Drew N4JDU of OMIK about the
group, and how Black hams feel participating in a mostly-white hobby

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Wireless Tags used to pair up socks!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xUh8fH0VJAQ/wireless_tags_used_to_pair_up_socks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bill Ray reports on the latest use for radio frequencies - to help pair up
socks

1894. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 29 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-29 16:04:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3bb0156786aa04cad9523b@google.com>
Source record: 1911
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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OMI - Diversity in Ham Radio; WB2JKJ - Donate Your Radio. HamRadioNow's
new shows...

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 05:44 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363002-OMI-Diversity-in-Ham-Radio-WB2JKJ-Donate-Your-Radio-HamRadioNow-s-new-shows&goto=newpost

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Episode 23: OMIK - Ham Radio's African American Association

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Episode 24: WB2JKJ says 'Donate Your Radio'

Diversity is more than two antennas! OMIK President Jeff Drew N4JDU talks
to

KN4AQ about the black experience in Amateur Radio. When OMIK began

in the 50's, nobody would talk to black hams, so they talked to themselves.

That's not really an issue today, but OMIK still has a mission.

And you've seen the ads: WB2JKJ - Donate Your Radio! Meet the man

behind it, and see what he's been doing at Junior High School #22

for the past 30 years. HamRadioNow's Jeff Wittich AC4ZO anchors

this episode with Joe Fairclaugh, the WB2JKJ.

Watch them at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

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AmateurLogic.TV 44: Huntsville, HF Station Contest

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 08:02 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362966-AmateurLogic-TV-44-Huntsville-HF-Station-Contest&goto=newpost

AmateurLogic.TV Episode 44 is now available for download at
www.amateurlogic.tv .

It□s the end of season 7 and we still have unseen video, so here□s a bonus episode.

George and Wayne□s Excellent Adventure to the 2012 Huntville Hamfest. Get the backstory on this very successful Hamfest and find out what makes it work. Interviews you won□t see elsewhere.

Peter shows us the popular new $20 TV Dongle SDR project.

Special announcement on the upcoming AmateurLogic.TV HF Station Giveaway! A complete HF Station with gear from Icom, MFJ, Wireman, Gordon West Radio School, and Heil Sound.

01:01:37 of AmateurLogic fun you don□t want to miss.

www.amateurlogic.tv

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Ham Nation 44: Great videos from our viewers

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 07:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362965-Ham-Nation-44-Great-videos-from-our-viewers&goto=newpost

Capacitor and resistor substitution boxes, remote

Ham radio operation, building the OpenBeacon part 2, videos from viewers and more.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1833 September 28 2012

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 06:39 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?362962-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1833--September-28-2012&goto=newpost

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Amateur Radio Newsline□ Report 1833 □ September 28 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1833 with a release date of September 28 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Dedicated Cubesat downlinks to be discussed at WRC 2018; Ofcom lifts spectrum restrictions imposed because of London Summer Olympics; Kosovo takes to the ham radio airwaves and the results of the World Radio Direction Finding competition. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline□ report number 1833 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: DEDICATED CUBESAT DOWNLINKS FOR DISCUSSION AT WRC-18

IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, reports that the International Amateur Radio Union☐s Administrative Council will meet in the next 45 days to address the agenda items for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference. Planning for the dedicated spectrum for university research cubesats will begin at that gathering, but the actual allocation of frequencies may not occur until the 2018 World Radiocommunication Conference.

In an article posted on the ARRL web, Stafford noted, ☐A lot of radio amateurs are aware of the increasing use of amateur spectrum by small satellites, mainly by universities. It is becoming an increasingly difficult situation to accommodate the number of small, non-commercial satellites within the amateur bands. These education-based satellites do not really fit within the definition of the Amateur Radio Service, but have been accommodated there.

According to W6ROD, these small birds are categorized as nano-satellites weighing between 1 to 10 kilogram and pico-satellites weighing less than 1 kilogram. The International Telecommunications Union is trying to deal with this issue in an orderly manner and a ☐preliminary☐ WRC-18 agenda item is to consider whether these satellite operations can be accommodated in an already crowded radio spectrum is being researched.

Stafford concludes by noting that as these issues develop, the IARU will keep its Member-Societies, such as the ARRL, aware of developments with an eye to building the best strategy to deal with those agenda items in a way that is most favorable to the Amateur Radio Service.

You can read the full article, including many other IARU agenda items at tinyurl.com/looking-at-tinysats. (ANS, ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: UK PARISHES ABANDONING EMCOMM SYSTEM FOR CELLPHONES AND RAYNET

An emergency radio system that has provided a lifeline to Heathfield in the United Kingdom for 25 years is to be scrapped and to be replaced by cellular telephones. But users of the ageing service have criticized the decision to rely on patchy mobile phone service in an emergency. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

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That☐s right Jim. It is supposed to go away and here☐s why.

The radio system was created back in 1987 after what has been called the Great Storm. Six parishes still have the gear in service to use emergency situations.

But the district council now wants to abolish them because they are too expensive to maintain. The council pays 3,600 British Pounds a year to

maintain the radio gear and a repeater that they are used through.

Parish councilor Bob Wood who has one of the old radios. He says that while thee gear my be old and possibly inadequate for what they want, that doing away with them is silly. He notes that mobile phone networks can only hold a certain number of calls at a time if an emergency happens.

But according to Jim van den Bos, of the District Council, the Wealden emergency radio network radio equipment is now old, less reliable and more difficult to repair. He says that last year a survey of parishes was conducted asking which had been active in the network over the past three years. Out of the 15 who took part, only seven were in favor of continuing.

So what will happen when the old emergency radio system falls silent? According to van den Bos it will likely be ham radio that will be used to augment the cellular network. In a statement he said that the council supports local members of a network of amateur radio users called RAYNET who are willing to respond in an emergency.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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RAYNET in the UK would be quite similar to a combined RACES and ARES here in the United States. (Sussix Courier, Northcliff Media, Southgate)

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RADIO LAW: OFCOM LIFTS TEMPORARY SPECTRUM RESTRICTIONS ON UHF AND SHF BANDS USED FOR OLYMPICS

UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom has announced that as of midnight on September 23rd, temporary operating restrictions on parts of the 70 centimeter and several microwave bands have come to an end. The restrictions on spectrum usage by British radio amateurs had been put in place to permit use of several spectral parcels in relation to the now conceded 2012 London Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games. (RSGB)

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BREAKING DX NEWS: KOSOVO NOW OFFICIALLY ON THE AIR

The Republic of Kosovo is now officially on the air. Station Z-60-K near Pristina commenced amateur radio operation shortly after 1700 UTC on September 17th. The call had been issued to the club station of the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo. For this operation QSL via G3TXF or using ClubLog.

It has to be noted that as Kosovo is not yet a member of the United Nations nor does it have an assigned callsign block allocated by the International Telecommunications Union, it does not meet the established requirements of the ARRL□s DXCC program at this time. However CQ has recognized Kosovo as a separate entity for its award and contest programs

since 2007. More is on line at www.art-ks.org (DXNL, CQ Newsroom)

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DX SPECIAL: AZORES 9 ISLANDS HUNT SEPT 29 - 30

While short notice, all nine of the Azores islands will be operational from 12:00 UTC on Saturday, September 29th through 12:00 UTC on Sunday September 30th. This a part of the Azores 9 Islands Hunt operating event.

Callsigns to be used are CU1ARM from Santa Maria; CU2ARA from San Miguel; CU3URA on Terceira; CU4ARG from Graciosa; CU5AM on Sao Jorge; CU6GRP on Pico; CU7CRA from Faial; CU8ARF on Flores and CU9AC operating on Corvo.

Operations on CW will be from 7.000 to 7.015, 14.050 to 14.065 and 18.080 to 18.090 MHz. SSB phone operations will be found on 7.175 to 7.195, 14.250 to 14. 275 and 18.120 through 18.135 MHz.

But that□s not all. Those holding a QSO with at least 5 different islands will have a corresponding number of tickets placed into a lottery for a free trip to the Azores. Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all 9 islands will be eligible for a second lottery.

All QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau network with special full-color cards. Direct QSL requests via CU2CE. More information on this activation and trip give-away is on-line at azores-islands-hunt.com. And we will have more DX related news at the end of this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (OH2BH)

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From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Dirty Dozen Club Net in Des MoinesIowa.

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ENFORCEMENT: YET ANOTHER FLORIDA UNLICENSED BROADCASTER BUSTED BY THE FCC

From the seemingly never ending Florida unlicensed radio station scene comes word that the FCC□s Miami Office has issued yet another Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture. This time the recipient of a proposed $10,000 fine is Burt Byng of Miami who the regulatory agency claims operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 107.1 MHz. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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By way of background, this past February 9th agents from the Enforcement Bureau□s Miami Office T-hunted the source of a signal on the 107.1 MHz to a transmitting antenna mounted on the roof of a commercial property in

Miami. The agents determined that the signals on 107.1 MHz exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission☐s rules and therefore required a license. While monitoring the transmission, the agents also heard the station identify itself on the air as ☐WEROC Radio.☐ Commission records showed that no authorization was issued to Burt Byng or to anyone else for operation of an FM broadcast station at or near this address.

On the same date, agents from the Miami Office, accompanied by the property owner, inspected the unlicensed station☐s antenna and transmitter located on the rooftop of the commercial building. According to information provided by the property owner, a company called J & B Enterprise US, Inc. was the tenant of the particular area where the transmitting equipment was located.

The property owner provided a copy of Burt Byng☐s driver☐s license and identified him as the individual who rented the rooftop space. According to Florida records, Byng is the President of an inactive business named ☐J & B Enterprises US, Inc.☐

While researching the matter the agents also discovered that Mr. Byng registered the domain name, ww.werocradio.com, a webpage for ☐WEROC Radio.☐ The agents also noticed that the phone number listed in the domain registration was the same phone number listed on in the information provided by the property owner.

In issuing the $10,000 NAL the FCC says that it finds that the record evidence in this case is sufficient to establish that Burt Byng violated Section 301 of the Act by operating radio transmission equipment without the required Commission authorization. As such he is liable for the proposed fine.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I☐m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles

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As is usual, Byng was given the customary 30 days to pay the $10,000 NAL or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC EXTENDS COMMENTARY DEADLINE ON MD DOCKET 12-201

The public as well as concerned industries have been given more time to tell the FCC what they think of the agency☐s process for collecting regulatory fees as outlined in MD Docket 12-201. Originally, comments on commission proposals to reform the way in which it evaluates the regulatory fees for the industries it regulates were due by September 17th. While that date has passed, the agency has announced that the new commentary cutoff date is October 9th, with reply comments due by October 23rd.

The FCC also says that it would also like to receive comments on a recent report from the Government Accountability Office. That report is titled ☐The Federal Communications Commission Regulatory Fee Process Needs to Be

Updated.☐ In that document the Accountability Office observes, among other things, that the commission☐s regulatory fee, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposes some fundamental changes to FCC☐s regulatory fee program that relate to many of the concerns raised in its report. (FCC, RW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: LAST MAN STANDING K6T SPECIAL EVENT CANCELLED

The highly publicized Last Man Standing K6T operating event will not take place. This according to the television shows Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA.

The thank you to the ham radio community had been slated to happen on Sunday, October 28th. According to Amodeo the decision to cancel was based on concerns about a possible violation of FCC Regulation 97.113(a)(3).

For those not aware, this rule bars any communications using ham radio in which the station licensee or control operator has a pecuniary interest. It also precludes any communications on behalf of an employer.

In making the announcement Amodeo notes that while everyone involved with the planned operation are very disappointed with the cancellation of what would have a fun, one of a kind event, that as a licensed radio amateur and producer of broadcast programs, compliance with FCC rules must take precedence.

Special event station K6T would have worked hams from around world on HF, VHF, UHF, D-STAR and IRLP. While that☐s not going to take place the good news is that the ham station that is a part of the set of Last Man Standing will remain and continue to be a part of the shows ongoing plot line. (NN6JA)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAM RADIO AT THE USAF MARATHON

David Crawford, KF4KWW, reports that over fifty amateur radio operators from all over the greater Dayton, Ohio. area and coming from as far away as Detroit, Michigan, recently converged on Wright Patterson Air Force Base. This, support the 2012 United States Air Force Marathon held on Saturday, September 15th.

Ham radio operators provided emergency and logistic communications between the race director and his staff. They also assisted with communications to the hydration stations positioned throughout the course.

The United States Air Force Marathon is described as a world class event with over 15000 participants registered and another estimated 15000 volunteers and spectators in attendance. Amateur radio operators were indispensable in communicating information on runner☐s locations and status, weather heat indexes settings, severe weather notifications and logistic issues.

Robert Aguiar is the marathon Race Director. He says that the senior base leaders of the event have come rely on the communication skills of the amateur radios operators and use them a as a vital resource. He adds that this race would be extremely difficult if not impossible to accomplish without their support and dedication. More about this event is on-line at www.usafmarathon.com. (KF4KWW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AMATEUR RADIO TO ASSIST AT VK NATIONAL FUN FLIGHT DAY 2012

Amateur Radio will once again be a part of Australia□s National Fun Flight Day this coming November 4th. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, has the details:

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National Fun Flight Day is an event staged by Australian flying clubs to provide pleasure flights for children and families touched by adversity. Amateur radio began its association with this event back in 2011. Thats when the Victoria-based Midland Amateur Radio Club and its station VK3CMZ were invited to participate in the National FunFlight Day by the Bendigo Flying Club. The Midland Club was more than happy to oblige and an operating High Frequency, VHF and UHF station was set up at the event site. A handheld in a plane also provided communication back to children on the ground.

The operation was deemed a major success and the Midland Committee saw it as a worthwhile national amateur radio event. So it then approached the FunFlight manager regarding other amateur clubs□ participation. The result of the meeting was very positive and contact information has now been provided to participating flying clubs so that they can contact their nearest amateur radio club.

For the amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand.

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More event information on this fun in the sky event down-under is on-line at www.funflight.org. (Midland Amateur Radio Club)

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WITH ARNEWSLINE: ARNEWSLINE FACEBOOK PAGES BREAKS 1000 BARRIER

The Amateur Radio Newsline fan page on Facebook has just passed the 1000 subscriber point. In fact, as we go to air, the number of members subscribed stands at 1004.

The page is managed for Amateur Radio Newsline by James Pastorfield, KB7TBT, who devotes a lot of time and energy to it. So as we pass the 1000 mark and hopefully head toward 2000 or more, we want to pause to thank KB7TBT for his volunteerism in making the page possible and to all of you

who contribute to it.

If you are on Facebook but have not yet joined the Amateur Radio Newsline family, you can find us there at by simply typing Amateur Radio Newsline in the blue Facebook search line. We would love to have you there with us. (ARNewsline☐)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: BILL TYNAN W3XO TO RECEIVE RCA BARRY GOLDWATER AWARD

The Radio Club of America has announced that former AMSAT North America President Bill Tynan, W3XO, is to be the recipient of its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award. The award recognizes Tynan☐s lifelong service to the public through amateur radio.

The award will be presented to W3XO at the club's annual awards banquet in New York on November 16th. ARRL Chief Executive Officer Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, will be the keynote speaker at the event. (RCA, W2RS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today☐s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: WIA PRESIDENT MICHAEL OWEN, VK3SI ☐ S.K.

The changing of the guard in our service continues. This, with the sad news that Michael Owen, VK3KI, the Chairman of Region III of the International Amateur Radio Union and President of the Wireless Institute of Australia has became a Silent Key.

Owen☐s sudden passing came after suffering what is only being described as a medical condition at his home on Saturday, September the 22nd.

During his many volunteer years, Owen, who was age 75 at the time of his passing, participated in many IARU committees and had been a member of the IARU Observer Team at a number of World Radiocommunication Conferences. He served as IARU Vice President from 1989 to 1999 and is perhaps best remembered for his work on a package of revisions to the international Radio Regulations. These were specific to the Amateur Radio and Amateur Satellite services and presented at the 2003 World Radiocommunications Conference.

Michael Owen, VK3KI, is survived by his wife Nan, and his two daughters. His funeral was to be held on Friday, September 28th at St Andrews Anglican Church in Brighton. Australia. Condolence messages can be sent via the

Wireless Institute of Australia by e-mail to condolences (at) WIA (dot) org (dot) au or direct to the surviving family members at PO Box 2042, Bayswater, Victoria 3153 Australia.

(WIA, VK6POP)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW FOCUS FOR RADIO NETHERLANDS WORLDWIDE

The Board of Supervisors of Radio Netherlands Worldwide has appointed William Valkenburg as editor-in-chief. This, effective January 1st of 2013.

According to the announcement, Valkenburg will set out the new course for the organization with the recently appointed director general Robert Zaal. The broadcaster will focus on free speech in countries where press freedom is limited and Valkenburg will take responsibility for journalism within the organization.

As of 2013, Radio Netherlands Worldwide□s main focus will be on Africa, and the Arab World, as well as countries such as China, Cuba and Venezuela. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: FRENCH POLYNESIA GETS BROADBAND ACCESS

Another remote area of the world is now on-line. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, has the details:

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High speed Internet access has come to the islands of the South Pacific. This with word that OmniAccess has expanded its network coverage in the remote French Polynesian islands.

The news follows the company□s investment into the opening of a high-capacity network on the Intelsat 18 satellite that first became operational in November 2011. This provides the capacity to enable enhanced broadband internet coverage and network services via Ku-band coverage platform to that isolated part of the world.

As a result, for the first time private yachts, charter yachts and commercial vessels cruising in the region can now benefit from high quality uninterrupted broadband connectivity via the new high speed service.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, reporting.

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More on this new service can be found by going to www.noonsite.com and using the search engine at that website. (noonsite.com via K4CPX)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: DARC AND GERMAN NSI COLLABORATE ON FIELD STRENGTH ARTICLE

The National Standards Institute of Germany in cooperation with the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club have jointly authored an article on the calibration of field strength monitors that has been published in the publication Advances in Radio Science'. The article covers a detailed description of a possible calibration setup including uncertainty calculations. You can download an abstract and the full article at tinyurl.com/field-strength-monitors. (DARC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: WESTERN STATES VHF/UHF WEAK SIGNAL NET ON SUNDAYS

The Western States VHF/UHF Weak Signal 75m Net meets every Sunday on 3.920 MHz at 17:30 Pacific Daylight Time. This net is a wide ranging discussion dealing with all aspects of VHF to microwave building, contesting, and operating. More about this weekly gathering is on-line at www.weaksig.net (N8DEZ)

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DX

In DX, G0VJG will be operational stroke 3A from Monaco between October 1st and the 5th. His activity will be on the High Frequency bands using 100 watts on SSB only. QSL via G4DFI.

A multi-national team is on the air from Conway Reef in the South Pacific Ocean. They plan to be there through October 5th using the callsign will be 3D2C. Their QSL manager is YT1AD.

DL7VSN will be active from Tanzania through October 13th. His operation will be from two locations using the 5H1HS from Zanzibar Island and 5H1HS/3 from Lazy Lagoon Island. Activity is expected on 160 through 10 meters using mainly CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. More about his operation is on-line at Visit his Web page at www.qsl.net/dl7vsn

Lastly word that DJ7RJ who was expected to be active stroke FR from Reunion Island between September 26th and October 21st, has announced he had to cancel his trip. No reason for the cancellation was given.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM:

And finally this week, hidden transmitter hunters held their world championships this month and hams from the USA came home with more medals than ever. Amateur Radio Newsline's Joe Moell, K0OV, the details.

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Every two years, on-foot hidden transmitter hunters get together to see who is best in the world. The Sixteenth World Championships of Amateur Radio Direction Finding, or ARDF, took place at a ski resort in the mountains of central Serbia. In these big forests, about 330 foxhunters from 33 countries searched for transmitters on two meters and 80 meters using direction finding gear, maps, and compasses, but no GPS. USA was represented by nine men and four women from six states. They ranged in age from 27 to 71.

In previous world championships, USA has won no more than two medals, and no golds. But this year, the team members packed thirteen medals into their suitcases, including four golds.

Standing on the medal podium and hearing the Star-Spangled Banner the most times was Bob Cooley KF6VSE of Pleasanton, California. He won two golds in the division for men over age 70 in the World Cup competition for individuals and another gold for his two-meter run during the main ARDF competitions. Also winning a playing of our national anthem was Vadim Afonkin KB1RLI of Newton, Massachusetts, who was this year's Team Captain. His gold medal was in the 80-meter ARDF competition.

Other Team USA members on the podium included Jay Hennigan WB6RDV of Goleta, California, who was a silver medalist on 80 meters. Winning bronze in their divisions on that band were Alla Mezhevaya of Loves Park, Illinois, Ruth Bromer WB4QZG of Raleigh, North Carolina and Karla Leach KC7BLA of Bozeman, Montana.

Team USA members earned their right to go to Serbia by medaling in the USA ARDF Championships this June at Mt. Laguna, California and in earlier US championships.

You can read more about Team USA and the ARDF World Championships at www.homingin.com. There are plenty of photos, plus links to the complete results. That's homingin, as one word, homingin.com.

From southern California, where ARDF activities take place all year long, this is Joe Moell, K0OV, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Again, more information is on-line at www.homingin.com. And □homingin□ is spelled as one word. (K0OV)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline□. Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's□ only official website located at www.arnewsline.org.

And a reminder to those of you who still receive these newscasts over our 661-296-2407 dial in line rater than downloading the MP3 file from our website. Of late we have noticed a major decline in the number of those calling into it and as such we are giving consideration to discontinuing it by years end. But before we do, we want to know how many people are actually using it. If you are one of those who call in each week on the phone, please send us a note telling us who you are and the reason you are using telephone access rather than simply downloading the newscast from the Internet.

Our address is the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California, 91350. Or, as we said, you can e-mail us at newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. We look forward to hearing from you.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors□ desk, I□m Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 from Charleston, West Virginia. And, as always, we thank you for listening.

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1895. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 29 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-29 16:37:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934126396497804cad9c7b7@google.com>
Source record: 1912
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Hawaii Island,Hawaii,Big Island dxpedition

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 02:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363056-Hawaii-Island-Hawaii-Big-Island-dxpedition&goto=newpost

I will be qrv as KH6/KI5SF from 0000 UTC October 26-1000 UTC October 27.
from Hawaii Island,Hawaii,the Big Island.IOTA OC-019.U.S. Islands # HI025S
zones

CQ 31 ITU 61

Here are some frequencies ranges where group members can look for me during
my Hawaii operation: ssb mode-160 meters(If I operate there) 1.850-1.900 80
meters -3.725-3.825 40 meters-7.125-7.200 20 meters- 14.200-14.300 17
meters-18.110-18.168 15 meters-21.225-21.325 12 meters-24.930-24.990 10
meters-28.400-28.500 and 6 meters if it is open -50.125 -50.200.

If I operate cw 160 meters -1.800-1.825 80 meters 3.525-3.575 40
meters-7.025-7.075 30 meters -10.100-10.125 20 meters-14.025-14.075 17
meters -18.068-18.110 15 meters-21.025-21.075 12 meters-24.890-24.930 and
10 meters-28.025-28.075.

I doubt I would operate cw on 6 meters and probably will not be on 60
meters at all.

73,

Carl

KI5SF

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6-7 october - EPC Russia DX Contest

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 09:42 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363027-6-7-october-EPC-Russia-DX-Contest&goto=newpost

The 4th EPC Russia DX Contest will be held from 04:00 UTC on 06.10.2012 to
03:59 UTC on 07.10.2012.

The Russian Section of the European PSK Club has the honour to invite the
radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the EPC Russia DX

Contest 2012. The objective of the contest is to establish as many contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world and radio amateurs in Russia on BPSK63 mode. The Contest is annually held at the first weekend in October in BPSK63 mode on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters bands. Every station can be contacted once per band. The operator may change the bands without any restrictions. The output power should not exceed 10 watts on 160 meters and 100 watts on other bands. Only one transmitted signal is permitted at any time.

Categories:

SOAB [Single operator, all bands. Those stations at which one performs all of the operating, logging, and spotting functions. Only one signal is allowed at any one time. The operator may change bands at any time.]

SOLF [Single operator, 160, 80 and 40 meters. Those stations at which one performs all of the operating, logging, and spotting functions. Only one signal is allowed at any one time. The operator may operate on 160, 80 and 40 meters only.]

SOHF [Single operator, 20, 15 and 10 meters. Those stations at which one performs all of the operating, logging, and spotting functions. Only one signal is allowed at any one time. The operator may operate on 20, 15 and 10 meters only.]

MOAB [Multi-operator station, all bands.]

Groups of Entrants:

There are two separate groups of entrants:

RUSSIA - All participants from the Russian Federation.

WORLD - All the rest participants.

Number Exchange:

RSQ is not sent. EPC-RU stations should send their EPC-RU number (4 digits) + Grid Locator, RSQ is not required (example 0262 KO95 separately). All the rest stations should send QSO number, starting 001 + Grid Locator, RSQ is not required (example 001 IO75 - Only separately). The recommended call is "CQ EPCRU TEST".

Log Instructions:

Mode BPSK63 should be designated in the report as PM and in any way differently! All times must be in UTC. All sent and received exchanges are to be logged. The Contest Committee accepts logs in the Cabrillo format ONLY. Name your Cabrillo file as your call sign (for example mm0epc.cbr, mm0epc.txt or mm0epc.log). You should send your log upload via the Web interface: http://ua9qcq.com/contests/submit_log_eng.php

All logs must be sent no later than 15 days after the contest (24:00 UTC 22 october 2012). Please, your questions or Cabrillo reports which you cannot load, send to the address of: epc(at)epc-ru.ru

MixW settings and statistics files for EPCRUDXC:
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?optio...199&Itemid=113

Certificates and Awards:

Certificates and awards will be sent only in electronic format jpg. Each winner and prize-winner will be awarded a certificate by the organizers of the contest but only once for the highest of all rewarded prizes.

Certificates EPCRUDXC-2012 will be awarded to:

1) The participants from Russia:

- top five in sub-SOAB, SOLF, SOHF;

- all participants in the subgroup of MOAB;

- first three places in eight federal districts of Russia in the overall standings of the subgroups of SOAB, SOLF, SOHF;

- the first place overall in the subgroups of SOAB, SOLF, SOHF in each region, province, Republic of Russia regardless of the number of participants from the region.

2) among the participants of all world countries except Russia:

- the first five places in the world of SOAB, SOHF, SOLF;

- all participants in the subgroup of MOAB;

- the first place on every continent in the SOAB, SOHF, SOLF;

- the first three places on the continent in SOAB, SOHF, SOLF provided that at least 10 participants in the subgroup of the continent;

- the first place in every country by the list of DXCC award;

- the first three places in every country by the list of DXCC award provided that at least 10 participants from the country;

- all participants who will work for the first time in EPC Russia DX Contest should specify "My first EPCRUDXC" in SOAPBOX of the report for this purpose. At checking of the given statements ex-callsigns will be taken into account.

Special EPCRUDXC-2012 awards will be awarded to all radio amateurs who send reports (except Checklog and caught in the DQ) and make at least the following number of QSOs:

- for Russia - 200 QSO;

- for Europe and Asia - 100 QSO;

- for other continents (except Europe and Asia) - 50 QSO.

Special EPCRUDXC-2012 awards will be awarded to the participants who will operate portable or mobile call sign (/ p, / m, / mm), regardless of the number of QSOs, both within the European Traveller PSK Award Program ETPA

and from the other continents of the world. In the column "soapbox" (cabrillo format) it is necessary to specify the used equipment, antennas and the power supply which can be only the generator, the accumulator or solar batteries.

The organizers of the 4th annual EPC Russia DX Contest which will be held on October 6 and 7, 2012 have decided to sum up the results and reward those participants of the contest, who will operate portable and mobile callsigns within the limits of the European Traveller PSK Award Program (ETPA).

As a result of the contest, with the Clauses of which you may get acquainted on this page, the participants of ETPA-expedition besides the general counting in subgroups will be in addition highlighted in the subgroup SOAB-ETPA. In summing up the results in this subgroup points and multipliers will not be counted.

The places taken in SOAB-ETPA will be distributed according to amount of the QSOs which will be confirmed by the Contest Committee. The obligatory condition is an activation of the areas (regions), i. e. more than 50 QSOs.

The participants of ETPA-expedition must send to address epc(at)epc-ru.ru a short story and photos held activations of EPC EU Areas.

In the presence of 5 or more participants, a winner of this additional subgroup will be rewarded with special prize for the greatest number of QSO in SOAB-ETPA and with Memorable certificate. All participants who work on the program ETPA will receive this certificate.

Prizes:

EPCRUDXC plaques will be awarded to the winners in the following subgroups: SOAB-World, SOAB-Russia.

The Plaque will be awarded to the 1000th participant of the contest among all radiosportsmen (participants) who sent their reports on condition that Contest Committee will receive 1000 and more Logs (except for Checklog and those got in the DQ).

Traditionally, an interface "UnicomDual" - the prize from "Radioarena" will be drawn. After summing up the contest results the Russian participants who take 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in their area, province or the Republic of Russia.

The initiative group of the Russian section of the EPC invites all interested parties. Firms and teams as well as individual radio amateurs may establish their own prizes. We awaiting your suggestions to EPCRUDXC Organizing Committee: epc(AT)epc-ru.ru

More info - EPC RUSSIA DX CONTEST: Rules
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?optio...351&Itemid=113

1896. SARL News in English 29/9/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-29 18:43:58 UTC
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 30 September 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

The chairman of Region 3 of the International Amateur Radio Union, Michael Owen, VK3KI, passed away on September 22. He was 75 years old. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia, participated in many IARU committees and was a member of the IARU observer team at a number of World Radio Communication Conferences. He is perhaps best remembered for his work on Article 25 at WRC-03.-Article 25 is a package of revisions to the international radio regulations that are specific to the amateur and amateur-satellite services.

Amateur radio societies around the world have benefited from Owen's enthusiasm and experience; he was passionately involved with the amateur radio service since the 1960s, and served as IARU Vice President from 1989-1999.

"I am very saddened to hear about Michael's sudden passing," IARU President Tim Ellam, VE6SH, said. "I was only speaking to him a few days ago and he was very enthused about leading the IARU Region 3 Conference in Ho Chi Min city in a few weeks. Michael was a good friend and mentor to many of us in IARU. His drafting skills were second to none and his ability to clearly articulate his position on a number of issues was of immeasurable help to us. The IARU is indebted to his work at WRCs and at many regional Asia Pacific Telecommunications meetings.

"I remember working with him at an ITU special committee meeting in 2002. He certainly taught me a great deal about how do advocate at the international level, which helped me greatly when I was elected an IARU officer. Michael was also a brilliant lawyer and well known to many

colleagues in the profession around the world. The IARU extends sympathies to his family, IARU Region 3 and WIA. I speak for all of my colleagues when I say he will be very sorely missed."

"Among the assignments that Michael drew at WARC-79 was to draft a resolution to exempt the Amateur-Satellite Service from coordination procedures that otherwise would have bogged us down in endless paperwork and great expense. As an attorney it was just the sort of thing he was good at. His work has stood the test of time, and it remains in effect to this day. No good deed goes unpunished, so in 2003, he was brought back to Geneva as a member of the IARU team to handle the rewrite of Article 25, the rules that apply specifically to the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services. That turned out to be as much an exercise in diplomacy as in drafting, but Michael was up to the task.

Michael Owen was a strategic thinker; he saw past short-term pros and cons and could envision how decisions made today would affect the distant future. He also understood that working in the background -- doing one's homework -- was essential to success.

WIA Vice President Phil Wait, VK2ASD, has assumed the role of WIA President. Wait has served as a WIA Director since 2003 and was appointed in WIA Vice President in 2010. The SARL has extended it condolences to his family and the WIA. (PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

Last RTA for 2012 held Cape Town yesterday New Hamnet website Amateur radio remains at the cutting edge of technology Jamboree-on-the-air and CQ Hou Koers Doctorates in Engineering for two radio amateurs

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

LAST RTA FOR 2012 HELD CAPE TOWN YESTERDAY

More than 80 persons have attended the Cape Town RTA. A full report on the RTAs will be included in next week's SARLNews.

The SARL has already started planning the dates for next year. The proposed dates are:

Durban RTA on 15 June RTA; Port Elizabeth RTA on 27 July; Gauteng RTA on 31 August; and Cape Town RTA on 5 October.

Clubs are asked to check the dates for possible clashes with other events. Proposals for subjects to be covered are also invited. Please send comments to the web address rta@sarl.org.za Comments on how you experienced the 2012 events are also invited.

NEW HAMNET WEBSITE

In the October issue of the Hamnet bulletin that will be posted early this week, it is announced that Hamnet will launch a Hamnet website on 1 October

This domain has been dormant for many years but thanks to the efforts of Dawie Conradie, ZR6DHC, an initial site has been put together and will obviously grow with time.

This website fills the gap between the SARL website and the well established and popular Facebook site. All links have been incorporated in the website, including some international links.

Do pay us a visit at www.hamnet.co.za

EAST RAND RADIO CLUB'S FLEAMARKET

The East Rand Radio Club's Fleamarket is just around the corner. It will happen on 6 October 2012 from 12:00 till 15:00 at Arrowe Park in Ebeneazer road in Benoni. Please come and enjoy the day with us. Bring all the money you have to spend to make sure you don't miss out on any specials. There will also be boerewors rolls and cold beverages for sale. To book a table for R20 please contact Judy, ZS6JDY, on 079 730 2030. Bring the whole family and all your friends and come and enjoy a great day with us.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR SUBSCRIPTION?

Membership fees for the SARL were due on 30 June 2012. If you have not renewed yet, please do so without delay. Reminders were posted during the past week. If you are not sure of the amount to pay, please call Mariska at 011 675 2393 on Monday. The SARL needs your support to ensure a strong voice for amateur radio.

AMATEUR RADIO REMAINS AT THE CUTTING EDGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Did you know that on 26 November 2011 at 15:02 UTC the Mars Science Laboratory (MSL) successfully launched an Atlas V 541 from the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station Space Launch Complex 41? It is carrying Curiosity, a 900 kg rover about the size of a small car. It has arrived at the "Red Planet" after a nine month flight. Just over 7 hours after launch at 21:45 UTC the X-band telemetry signal from the MSL was received using the Bochum amateur radio facility, restored and operated by members of AMSAT DL. The signal, received at a distance of 112 000 km, had a spin-modulation of +/- 3.5 Hz with 2 revolutions per minute. This is believed to be the first reception of the MSL outside the official NASA Deep Space Network (DSN) and the USN tracking station at Dongara, Australia.

The 20m dish at Bochum is also used by AMSAT-DL to automatically receive real-time solar data from the NASA STEREO A / B satellites. The data is transmitted to a NOAA server in the USA via the Internet.

Amateur radio still remains the most exciting of all science hobbies.

JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR AND CQ HOU KOERS

Scouts and Guides will be participating worldwide in the 55th Jamboree-on-the-Air and 16th Jamboree-on-the-Internet on Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 October 2012. This year's theme is "How big is your world?" JOTA is an annual event in which Scouts and Guides all over the world speak to each other by means of amateur radio contacts. Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas are shared, over the radio waves.

The Voortrekkers in South Africa and Namibia will be participating in CQ Hou Koers on Saturday 20 October. CQ Hou Koers is an annual event where Voortrekkers have the opportunity to talk by amateur radio with other Voortrekkers from around the country. It is also a chance to practice skills required for badges such as Radio Speech and Radio Amateur. It gives the children exposure to a very interesting technical and scientific hobby that can be stimulating in terms of career choices.

Contact your local Scout Group, Guide Company and/or Voortrekker Commando and start the arrangements for this event. PLEASE do not invite them to your shack; visiting a dentist would be more exciting! Do not be lazy, get out and take your radios on an outing

DOCTORATES IN ENGINEERING:

It is not often that a father and son obtain doctorates in engineering during the same week.

Dr Gary ImmelmanZS6YI and his son Dr Quintin Immelman ZS6IY both acquired doctorates in engineering during the same week, but from different universities.

Gary obtained a Doctoris Technologiae (Honoris Causa) Engineering and Technology from the Vaal University of Technology in Vanderbijlpark and Quintin obtained a Ph.D. Mechanical-Nuclear Engineering degree from North West University in Potchefstroom. The two graduation ceremonies were not planned to fall within the same week, so chance made it at remarkable week to remember.

You may recall that last year this time Gary was recovering from gunshot wounds as a result of a brutal attack at his home on 25 July 2011. He has mostly recovered but still has pain in his right arm and abdomen, but it has not slowed him down at all.

NEW MEMBERS During the past week Andrew Baxter, G4SIU became a new member of the SARL. Andrew moved to SA from the UK in is obtaining a ZS license. Welcome to Andrew G4SIU.

CLUB NEWS The Pretoria Amateur Radio Club's AGM was held on 2012-00-08. There was a very good turnout and many certificates and trophies were awarde. The incumbent chairman was re-elected en several new committee members were added. The portfolios will be allocated at the firs committee meeting. The committee comprises: Chairman Pierre Holtzhausen ZS6PJH. Other elected committee members are: Fritz Sutherland ZS6SF; Jean de Villiers ZS6ARA; Andre van Tonder ZS6BRC; Johan de Bruyn ZS6JDB; Graham Reid ZR6GJR; Vincent Harrison ZS6BTY; Craig Symington

ZS6RH; Rudi van Dyk ZS6RVD; Pieter Fourie ZS6CN; Richard Peer ZS6UK. Almero du Pisani ZS6LDP was co-opted.

CONTEST NEWS

SARL 80 m QSO Party. The October leg of this popular contest, hosted by the Durban ARC, will be run on Thursday evening 4 October starting at 17:00 UTC and ending at 20:00 UTC (19:00 to 22:00 CAT). It is a phone only contest using 3603 to 3650 kHz and 3700 to 3800 kHz. The exchange is your call sign, a RS signal report and your name.

Ten (10) points are scored for every contact with a South African station and fifteen (15) points for every contact with a station outside South Africa. Your log submission must be sent to the Durban ARC, 17 Brownlee Place, Bluff, Durban, 4052 or you can send it by e-mail to zs5lp@vodamail.co.za . It must reach them by 19 October 2012.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hans, ZS6AKV, reports that two C class flares have been detected. Geomagnetic conditions are at quiet levels. Local HF working frequencies range from unstable to 'elevated from monthly average predicted values'. Try 10 and 15 metres, propagation may surprise you.

Active area 1582 has the potential for M-class flaring due to its growing magnetic configuration. The outlook is that most active areas visible on the solar disk have simple magnetic configurations. Active areas 1575, 1579, and 1582 may have the chance of minor flare activity. Solar flare activity is expected to be low to moderate over the weekend. Visit www.spaceweather.co.za for up-to-date information

DIARY OF EVENTS

3 October - Log sheets for the SARL 80 m club championship competition to be in to zs4bfn@netactive.co.za. 4 October - SARL 80 m QSO-party. 17:00 UTC to 20:00 UTC 5 October - Nominations for MTN sponsored SAARDT awards to be in to saardt@intekom.co.za. 9 October - Heritage Day Sprint logs to be in to riaanzs4pr@gmail.com and a copy to fwolff@global.co.za. 20 October -Jjamboree-on-the-air and CQ Hou Koers

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur

frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by Martin Schwella, ZS4MS, and edited by Fritz Sutherland ZS6SF.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

====================== Message Ends ====================== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1897. eHam.net News for Saturday 29 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-29 22:39:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010e83504a28d04caded9e3@google.com>
Source record: 1914
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Manitoulin Amateur Radio Club Wins Major Competition:

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29040

MANITOULIN -- The Manitoulin Amateur Radio Club are the winners of the annual Ontario QSO Party 2012 ham radio competition. "For members of our club, this type of event is part of club activity and kin to our emergency radio service training," said Jim McLean, vice president of the Manitoulin club, last week. "Our guys don't go out in the freezing cold because they like to, and on the day the contest took place it was bitter cold and windy. But they enjoyed it." "It's part of our ongoing training for amateur radio emergency services," said Mr. McLean. "In this contest the team that represented us competed against amateur radio clubs from all over Ontario, made up of hundreds of clubs." A release written by Igor Slakva (VE3ZF) of the Manitoulin club, states, "On April 21, 2012, a team from the Manitoulin Amateur Radio Club entered into the annual ham radio competition Ontario QSO Party at Twilight Isle located on the West End of Manitoulin Island. At this time the team got a privilege to use the call sign of the headquarters of Radio Amateur Radio Club of Canada 'VA3RAC'." Mr. Slakva explained, "first the team erected a 13-metre heavy duty tower with an antenna on top on the beach of the island. The antenna looked very impressive when erected on the beach of Lake Huron and turned for the first time toward Europe. Its elements were big enough to cover nearly half of the sky of this tiny island! It was a spectacular view."

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #39 de K7RA:

Posted: 28 Sep 2012 02:46 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29039

Average daily sunspot numbers rose this week from 56 to 81.3, and average daily solar flux increased from 101.4 to 129.7. As reported in the ARRL Letter on Thursday, September 27, the increase was expected to continue over the next few days, with solar flux peaking at 150 on September 28-29, but what a difference a single day makes.

1898. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 29 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-30 02:06:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba2124f5fc0eff04cae1bcae@google.com>
Source record: 1915
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio enthusiasts gather at Peoria Superfest - Peoria Journal Star

Posted: 22 Sep 2012 07:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGt3Bt2QDByD9696Pj1kQXfRvfc4g&url=http://www.pjstar.com/news/x1913818758/Ham-radio-enthusiasts-gather-at-Peoria-Superfest

Ham radio enthusiasts gather at Peoria Superfest
Peoria Journal Star
Lisa Spahr of St. Louis, author of "World War II Radio Heroes: Letters of Compassion," doesnt operate a ham radio, but she spoke to users about how amateur radio operators affected her family. Her great-grandmother received more than 100 letters from ...

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Taunton ham radio operator to attend national conference - Taunton Daily Gazette

Posted: 07 Sep 2012 08:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE1u4ZdGKlDN6109aAZypKEpa_UIw&url=http://www.tauntongazette.com/newsnow/x551363326/Taunton-ham-radio-operator-to-attend-national-conference

Taunton ham radio operator to attend national conference
Taunton Daily Gazette
And thats where traditional ham, or amateur, radio experts play an integral role with their expertise in short-wave, radio interconnection. “Were the backup,” explained Mims, who is director of the Armys Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) in ...

and more

1899. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 30 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-30 11:08:29 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340803ae8b5f04cae94e0b@google.com>
Source record: 1916
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio Supplies announces giveaway to promote youth in Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r20FIeG3BaM/amateur_radio_supplies_anno
unces_giveaway_to_promote_youth_in_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=emai
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Amateur Radio Supplies of Haverhill, Mass., have announced a new biannual
giveaway to promote youth in amateur radio DXing and contesting. Apply
online to be considered for a complete High Frequency (HF) station

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UKube-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat books a ride on Soyuz-2

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Qugrx8Jstdk/ukube1_amateur_radio_cubesa
t_books_a_ride_on_soyuz2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

UKube-1 - the UK Space Agency's first CubeSat mission - has 'booked' its
journey into space on a Russian Soyuz-2 rocket. The launch from the
Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan is expected to take place in March 2013.
UKube-1 carries an amateur radio 435/145 MHz linear transponder built by
members of AMSAT-UK

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AmateurLogic.TV 44: Huntsville Bonus Show

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wjxZv6KykH4/amateurlogic_tv_44.htm?utm_
source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It’s the end of season 7 and we still have unseen video, so here’s a bonus
episode

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A QRP CW 'DE-Xpedition' aboard USS Slater (DE-766)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qyTYntxvVnk/qrp_cw_de_xpedition.htm?utm
_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Three QRP KX3s join up with three vintage maritime wire antennas aboard a
historic ship

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Sweden loses 2.3 GHz band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pFghyAfrTMc/sweden_loses_2_3_ghz_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Swedish radio amateurs have lost the 2300 MHz band although they have
gained some spectrum at 1.8 MHz

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New Hamnet website

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YmWx-tT-5HQ/new_hamnet_website.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hamnet, South Africa's amateur radio emergency communication organisation,
will be launching a new website on 1 October

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q3gFf3Ru3yw/september_30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that two C class
flares have been detected. Geomagnetic conditions are at quiet levels

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Satellite operation from the USS IOWA for Scouting JOTA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Xe4lDtV3baQ/satellite_operation_from_uss_iowa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jim Jerzycke, KQ6EA says he will be operating for the BSA JOTA event from
the USS IOWA in San Pedro, California on 20 October from 1600 UTC to 2300
UTC. The callsign will be NI6BB on FO-29, AO-27, and AO-7

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New Amateur Radio Forum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mF3mWlSFvwY/new_amateur_radio_forum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Southgate Amateur Radio News has just launched a new amateur radio forum
board

1900. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 30 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-30 16:34:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6142027cc6e604caeddd37@google.com>
Source record: 1917
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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live broadcast of MFJ 40th anniversary

Posted: 30 Sep 2012 08:40 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363223-live-broadcast-of-MFJ-40th-anniversary&goto=newpost

It's time for the Live Broadcast of MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration!!

MFJ Enterprises will be celebrating their 40th anniversary October 5th and 6th (Friday and Saturday) in Starkville, Mississippi! For those that can attend in person, there will be door prizes (must be present to win), free factory tours (MFJ, Ameritron, Cushcraft, Hy-Gain, Mirage, Vectronics, and MFJ Metal Shop), free lunch, free tailgating, free forums/discussions, and FCC license exams. Special guests will include:

Martin F Jue, K5FLU, president and founder of MFJ Enterprises Inc

Malcolm Keown, W5XX, ARRL Mississippi Section Manager

Harold Kramer, WJ1B, CEO American Radio Relay League

Chip Margelli, K7JA, CQ Advertising Manager and famous DXer

Janet Margelli, KL7MF, Ham Radio Outlet Anaheim Manager

Ray Novak, N9JA, ICOM America Amateur Radio Sales Manager

Ted Randall, WB8PUM, QSO Shortwave Radio Host

Dick Ross, K2MGA, CQ Magazine Publisher

George Thomas, W5JDX, Ham Nation, AmateurLogic.com

For additional information regarding the MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration go tohttp://www.mfjenterprises.com/dayinpark.php.

If you cannot attend in person, please join the live, online broadcast of MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration events at http://W5KUB.com where the fun begins!

MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration broadcast hours:

Thursday, October 4: 2000 UTC (3:00 PM CT) drive from Memphis, Tennessee to Starkville, Mississippi (approximately 3 1/4 hour drive)

Friday, October 5: 1300 - 21:30 UTC (8:00 AM - 4:30 PM CT)

Saturday, October 6: 1300 UTC - 1900 UTC (8:00 AM - 2:00 PM CT) Saturday, October 6: 2000 UTC (3:00 PM CT) drive from Starkville, Mississippi to Memphis, Tennessee (approximately 3 1/4 hour drive)

You could be the winner of an online MFJ prize (not to be confused with the MFJ door prizes) which will be awarded during the W5KUB broadcast. Of course, no purchase is necessary to win a prize. W5KUB is not affiliated with any products or companies and does not sell any products or services.

During the live broadcast, you will also have the opportunity to meet and chat with other amateur radio operators from all over the world. The 2012 Dayton Hamvention broadcast had 47,400 viewers!

Please join our group on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/ to keep up with us year-round.

Also, please help spread the word by posting this announcement in Facebook and forwarding this message to your ham radio friends that may not have received this message!

We'll 'see' you at MFJ!

73

Tom Medlin, W5KUB

http://w5kub.com

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DX Expedition 3D2C by "IV3YER"

Posted: 30 Sep 2012 01:08 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363190-DX-Expedition-3D2C-by-quot-IV3YER-quot&goto=newpost

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E51C Aitutaki

Posted: 29 Sep 2012 08:53 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363123-E51C-Aitutaki&goto=newpost

Holydaystyle DXpedition 2012 Nov 12 fixed. Check E51C.

1901. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 30th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-30 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20120930200003.F164533C91@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1918
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 30th September 2012

Z60K Activation in Kosovo

The somewhat controversial activation of Kosovo by a group of European radio amateurs earlier this month attracted a great deal of interest from the DXing community. This was because it is felt that Kosovo might at some stage be designated by ARRL as a separate DXCC entity.

Kosovo has recently declared independence, and the purpose of the recent amateur radio activation was to support the re-establishment of an amateur radio infrastructure in Kosovo. The visiting radio amateurs were joined by a number of local operators. The call sign prefix adopted by Kosovo - Z6 - is currently currently an unallocated national prefix.

Whether and when Kosovo becomes a separate DXCC entity remains to be seen, but for the time being there is no point in submitting Z60K QSL cards for DXCC credit.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The next meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place on Wednesday next the 3rd of October in Raheen House Hotel Raheen Road Clonmel at 8.30 pm All are welcome.

Limerick Radio Club

The next meeting of Limerick Radio Club will be on Wednesday 10 October in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 1930. Following on from a very active Summer period of events, the next number of meetings will concentrate on upcoming events including a possible IOTA dxpedition, theory classes and practical sessions. Keep an eye on www.limerickradioclub.ie for updates.

South Dublin Radio Club

On Tuesday 9th October at the South Dublin Radio Club Declan EI6FR will present a slideshow on his IOTA DXpedition to St. Kilda in May of this year.

On Tuesday 30th of October Chris G0FDZ will be giving a talk on the UK VHF beacon GB3VHF http://www.gb3vhf.co.uk

The club is open from 8pm every Tuesday and all visitors are more than welcome.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held October 3rd, October 17th, October 31st. All are welcome to enrol and this will be a fun learning experience. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

DX News

No doubt many of our listeners will have noticed that HF band conditions have been superb over the last few days, with good openings to the Pacific on 10, 12 and 15 metres, while 20 metres has remained open long after sunset. Let's hope this continues!

Nobby G0VJG will be QRV from Monaco from 1 - 5 October. He will operate as 3A/G0VJG/M on SSB only. QSLs go via G4DFI.

A three-man team will operate from Niger in West Africa from 1 -15 October. They are the well known DXers TL0A, F6EXV and DJ8NK who will use the calls 5U5U, 5U6E and 5U8NK respectively. Operation will be on all bands 160 - 6m.

Dxers will be saddened to hear of the recent death of Sid ET3SID in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Sid, who also held the callsigns G4CTQ and AB3OZ, was instrumental in setting up the club station ET3AA and encouraging young students to get involved in amateur radio.

Two Japanese operators, JA6EV and JJ6GVX, will be active as JT1EV and JT1GVX from Mongolia from 2 - 8 October. They will operate from the Ulaanbaatar DX Club station.

A new one for the IOTA chasers will be on the air from 5 - 11 October. This will be 7Z7AB operating from Al-Dhahrah Island. The IOTA reference will be AS-190 and QSL info is via 7Z1CQ.

Frank Pulfer,HB9BXU,writes to state that from Nov 12th to 30th 2012 he will activate together with some other Swiss radio amateurs the dreamlike island of Aitutaki. This island belongs to the Cook Islands (E51) and is situated in the Polynesian Triangle of the Southern Pacific area. The island will be activated on the amateur radio bands from 10m to 80m (including WARC bands) in the modes SSB, CW and PSK31.

The DXpedition is "holiday-style" so that we can enjoy the fantastic world of the southern pacific in addition to the hard handling of endless pileups.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1902. eHam.net News for Sunday 30 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-09-30 22:34:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934080365e93404caf2e43e@google.com>
Source record: 1919
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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UKube-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat Books a Ride on Soyuz-2:

Posted: 29 Sep 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29055

UKube-1 - the UK Space Agency's first CubeSat mission - has 'booked' its journey into space on a Russian Soyuz-2 rocket. The launch from the Baikonur Cosmodrone in Kazakhstan is expected to take place in March 2013. UKube-1 carries an amateur radio 435/145 MHz linear transponder built by members of AMSAT-UK.

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Lack of Support Annoys Residents:

Posted: 29 Sep 2012 05:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29054

Pyes Pa residents concerned about the proposed installation of a 20-metre radio aerial are disappointed the Tauranga City Council won't fight a legal battle on their behalf. Residents of Veda Glen yesterday petitioned the city council to appeal an Environment Court decision which allows amateur radio enthusiasts to erect radio masts up to 20m high. They said a radio aerial proposed by a neighbour would be an eyesore, create wind noise and devalue their properties. Councillors sympathised with the residents' plight but said, based on their legal advice, an appeal to the High Court would be pointless.

1903. HOT SEXY SUPER VIDEOS AND CUTE KISS PHOTOS+

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 01:41:52 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <fede6789-bd45-48fe-92fc-67369b90f99f@lb2g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1920

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
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http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

1904. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 30 September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 02:21:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2355459f70c204caf61185@google.com>
Source record: 1921
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Supplies announces giveaway to promote youth in Amateur Radio
- Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 30 Sep 2012 01:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHlxsoOjhPZdcMiweAlcusEuq_Rlw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/september2012/amateur_radio_supplies_announces_giveaway_to_promote_youth_in_amateur_radio.htm

Amateur Radio Supplies announces giveaway to promote youth in Amateur Radio
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio Supplies was founded in order to provide amateur radio
operators with the supplies they need to pursue their passion – ham radio.
Amateur Radio Supplies, www.amateurradiosupplies.com, offers low prices and
a full selection of tools and ...

and more

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White Mountain Amateur Radio Club hosts flea market Sept. 29 - Conway Daily
Sun

Posted: 27 Sep 2012 01:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFttcpQmVk35xDWoYstv7GAj_5cMg&url=http://www.conwaydailysun.com/index.php/community/organizationsclubs/92849-white-mountain-amateur-radio-club-hosts-flea-market-sept-29

White Mountain Amateur Radio Club hosts flea market Sept. 29
Conway Daily Sun
Come and learn what Ham Radio is all about. The funds that are raised from
this event will go towards the purchase of emergency communications
equipment for the White Mountain Valley. Admission is $5 and if you would
like to set up a table it is $15 ...

1905. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 06:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1349071201@panix.com>
Source record: 1922
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

1906. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 1 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 11:13:21 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357a1f6f4ba04cafd7d0d@google.com>
Source record: 1923
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Live broadcast of MFJ 40th anniversary

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Radio Theory Classes, run by the Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises in preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013

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QRP SSB DXing from the beach

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Pete M3ZXZ got up early on Sunday to work some impressive DX using just 2.5 watts of SSB and a simple wire antenna

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DARC - 700th Amateur Radio Wiki article

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The Deutscher Amateur Radio Club report that the 700th amateur radio item
has been posted to their Wiki

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BATC ATV Convention

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/e7lmpb-n6Z8/batc_atv_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Final details are coming together for what is planned to be a very exciting
BATC ATV Convention and Biennial General meeting to be held in Basingstoke
on the 6th and 7th of October

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Virgin Islands QTH move

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K1LhaWbtWfk/virgin_islands_qth_move.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob, NQ3X, and his wife moved to St. Croix at the end of September and
plans to be "active on as many HF bands as possible, as soon as possible"

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CME impact sparks geomagnetic storm

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ygEqbG2XPF4/cme_impact_sparks_geomagnetic_storm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A coronal mass ejection (CME) hit Earth's magnetic field on September 30th

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History This Week

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CQtGFPu8Ixk/history_01_october.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1907. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 30th September 2012

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 30th September 2012

The news headlines:

Z60K now on the air from Republic of Kosovo

Visitor number to RSGB Convention set to be best yet

GB3NC off air for repair

The Republic of Kosovo is now officially on the air. Z60K, the club station of the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo, located near Pristina, is now on the air. For this operation, QSL via G3TXF or use ClubLog. As Kosovo is not yet a member of the United Nations nor does it have an assigned callsign block allocated by the ITU, it does not meet the established requirements of the DXCC program at this time. However CQ has recognised Kosovo as a separate entity for its award and contest programs since 2007.

The RSGB Convention takes place at Horwood House near Milton Keynes on 12 to 14 October. With lectures on DXpeditions, technical topics, propagation and operating, there is something for all amateurs. Day tickets for the RSGB Convention are still available, as are a few limited packages. The continued success of the RSGB Convention is such that we continue to grow year after year and 2012 looks like being the best yet. If you would like to book for RSGB Convention 2012 please visit www.rsgbevents.org.

The GB3NC two metre repeater in Mid Cornwall will be off the air from Monday 1 October. There is a problem with the transmit filter and it needs to be removed for repair and realignment. It is hoped to resume the repeater service within a few days, but the timescale is dependent on the damage found. Information will be on the Group's website www.mcbarg.co.uk.

UKube-1, the UK Space Agency's first CubeSat mission, has booked its journey into space on a Russian Soyuz-2 rocket. The launch from Kazakhstan is expected to take place in March 2013. UKube-1 carries an amateur radio 435/145MHz linear transponder built by members of AMSAT-UK.

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. The award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international

understanding through amateur radio. Full details and the nomination process can be found on the website www.arrl.org/international-humanitarian-award.

The RSGB is deeply saddened to learn of the sudden death of Michael Owen, VK3KI, President of the Wireless Institute of Australia, and Chairman of IARU Region 3. Michael was one of the world influencers on the development of amateur radio. He had been Chairman of Directors of IARU Region 3 for some years, and had also been President of WIA since the restructure of the Institute in 2004. He had also been an RSGB member many years. He was IARU Vice President for 10 years from 1989, and before that was a director of IARU Region 3. He had been a member of the IARU Team at a number of World Radiocommunications Conferences, in particular WRC03, where he was responsible for the formative work done to reshape Article 25 of the Radio Regulations. He leaves a void in the world of amateur radio that will be hard to fill. The RSGB extends its deepest sympathies to Michael's wife and family on their very sad loss.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 1 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. We also regret to report that Sid T. May, ET3SID / AB3OZ / G4CTQ, chairman of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society has passed away. Sid set up the first amateur radio club of Ethiopia in 1993. Sid has been training amateur radio courses to Ethiopian students for more than 15 years. He administered the RSGB and ARRL examination many times and got more than 120 students through the examination. We feel very saddened about the news and extend our condolences to his family.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

There will be a free to attend talk by the IET on the Future of Radio Spectrum taking place in Bromley on 3 October. The use of the Radio Spectrum is continuously evolving with new standards, services and ever higher number of devices/users. What does this all mean to the way we manage it and resolve interference problems will be discussed by Richard Holmes. The lecture takes place at 10am for a 10.30am start at Bromley Central Library, High Street, Bromley BR1 1RS. There is no need to pre- register for this event.

The BATC Convention takes place next weekend, 6 and 7 October, at the Everest Community Academy, Basingstoke. There will be lectures, trade stands, special interest groups and a Bring & Buy. The event includes BATC Biannual General Meeting on Sunday 7th. More details on the website www.batc.org.uk.

The Autumn Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale takes place on Sunday 7 October at Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AL. Door open at 10am and there will be civil, military and vintage radio equipment plus vehicle spares and more. Contact Rod Siebert on 01270 623 353.

Also on Sunday 7 October, the Blackwood and District ARS Rally will be held in Coleg Gwent, Risca Road, Cross Keys NP11 7ZA. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and a Bring & Buy. More from Dave, GW4HBK on 01495 228 516.

Now for the news of special events

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the use of ITU callsign prefixes, special event station PB100PREFIX will be on the air between 4 and 31 October. For more details, visit www.PB100PREFIX.nl. QSL via PB0P.

The RAFARS will put GB21FCB on the air from 1 October to 30 November from a location near Eastleigh.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

G0VJG will be operational stroke 3A from Monaco between 1 and 5 October. His activity will be on the HF bands using 100 watts on SSB only. QSL via G4DFI.

3D2C is on the air from Conway Reef in the South Pacific Ocean, IOTA reference OC-112. They plan to be there until 5 October. QSL manager is YT1AD.

DL7VSN will be active from Tanzania until 13 October. His operation will be from two locations using 5H1HS from Zanzibar Island and 5H1HS/3 from Lazy Lagoon Island. Activity is expected on 10 to 160 metres using mainly CW and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

Ilian, LZ1CNN has received his Afghan callsign and plans to be active as T6LG until next February. He'll be on all bands, CW and SSB, using an FT-897D and Acom 1000 with multiband ground plane and Transmatch. For

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Willi, DJ7RJ will be on the air from Reunion Island as FR/DJ7RJ until 21 October. He plans to be active on all bands 10 to 160 metres using CW and SSB.

Now the contest news

The final weekend of the month brings the CQWW DX Contest. This month it's RTTY and it runs until 2359UTC today, 30 September. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands the exchange is signal report and Zone, which in the UK is 14.

The UK Microwave Group Cumulatives take place on the 5.7 to 24GHz bands for six hours between 1000 and 1500UTC today, Sunday 30th. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The first RSGB VHF event of October is the 2m UK Activity Contest on the 2nd between 1900 and 2130UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

It's followed by the 1.3/2.3GHz Trophy Contest and the 432MHz &#65533; 248GHz IARU contest that both start at 1400UTC on Saturday 6th. The Trophy contest runs for eight hours, while the IARU runs for 24 hours. Those who enter either of these contests will have their logs automatically forwarded for entry into the IARU event unless they specify otherwise. In both contests the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 21/28MHz Contest has seen a distinct upswing in participation over the last couple of years, as increased solar activity has resulted in much improved conditions on the upper HF bands. Last year there were almost 200 entries. It takes place for twelve hours on Sunday 7th, starting at 0700UTC. There are Open, Restricted and QRP categories for UK stations, the same again for non-UK stations, plus you can enter CW-only, SSB- only or mixed modes. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The first weekend of October is really busy for international events. The first of them is the SSB leg of the Oceania DX Contest. It runs for 24 hours from 0800UTC on Saturday 6th. There are sections for single-op and multi-op stations, with the points for QSOs different on each band to encourage LF activity in particular. Work Oceania, that's VK, ZL and Pacific islands, only. The exchange is signal report and serial number.

The Worked All Britain HF Contest starts at 1200UTC on the 6th and runs for 24 hours on 20, 15 and 10m. UK stations send a signal report, serial number and WAB area, while non-UK stations send report, serial number and DXCC country. UK to UK QSOs do not count for points in this event. Full details of the rules and also log sheets can be obtained from the WAB website at www.worked-all-britain.co.uk.

The third event of the weekend is the IARU 432MHz-248GHz Contest that runs from 1400UTC on the 6th until 1400UTC on the 7th. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. In theory you could submit a log direct to IARU for this event but, in practice, UK stations that enter one of the RSGB events allow their logs to be forwarded by the Contest Committee.

The final event of the weekend is the first of the autumn EU Sprints, SSB leg. It takes place for four hours on Saturday 6th starting at 1600UTC. Using the 80, 40 and 20m bands the exchange is highly prescriptive, consisting of both callsigns, the serial number and your name, note no signal report.

Copyright &#65533; RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 1 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 21st to Thursday the 27th of September, compiled by Neil Clarke on Friday the 28th of September.

This week solar activity started at very low levels on the 21st and the 24th. However, on the 23rd as sunspot groups rotated into view solar activity increased to low with occasional small C class solar flares taking place everyday. Solar flux levels increased from 117 units on the 21st to 140 by the 25th. The average was 132 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 27th was 124 units, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B2.5 units on the 21st to B4.6 by the 25th. The average was B3.7 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet everyday and the average was Ap 5 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decrease from 560 kilometres per second to 300 by the morning of the 26th. Speeds then increased to peak at 480 kilometres per second later the same day. Particle densities were low everyday. Bz varied between minus 8 and plus 9 nanoTeslas on the 26th. Fluctuations were less than this on the quieter days as expected.

And finally the solar forecast from Sunday the 30th of September. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. In recent days large sunspot groups have rotated into view. Solar activity should be low but could increase to moderate levels on the occasional day. Solar flux levels are expected to be at their highest for this solar rotation and be in the 130's at first but may decline as the week goes on. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet but a recurring coronal hole is expected later in the week, however, the disturbance is expected to be small. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 28MHz for the south and 25MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 26MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 21MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1500 and 1900 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB

website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Lincoln Short-Wave Club is cleaning up after the National Hamfest today. On Tuesday they're taking part in the 144MHz UK AC. Wednesday sees G5FZ on the air and on Thursday it's the Lincoln Short-Wave Club repeater net on 145.725MHz from 8pm. The Saturday Surgery is on the 6th in the shack from 9am, followed by participation in the WAB HF Phone contest, which continues until noon on Sunday. For more information

contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Salop Amateur Radio Society is having a talk today by Tom, M6IDT, on making TV shows. On Thursday there's a natter night and committee meeting. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

Wythall Radio Club is having a club net today and next Sunday on 145.225MHz. The Advanced course continues on Monday. On Tuesday the Morse class restarts, alongside a Free `n' Easy evening and taking part in the 144MHz UKAC The shack social takes place on Friday, then on Saturday there's the Wythall Beer Festival. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. Tuesday sees a club meeting, to which non members and SWLs are welcome. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and on Friday there is a club net on GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

South Birmingham Radio Society is checking club equipment on Monday. On Wednesday there's a Morse class plus a talk in the main hall. Thursday sees training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. On Friday there's shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on propagation. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk on SWR by Tony, G4HBV. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society has its 2m club net on 145.275MHz FM. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday Central Radio Amateur Circle is running its Intermediate course via Skype. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 1 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding an open meeting, putting the shack on the air and holding training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting & putting GX3ZME on the air. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Denby Dale Radio Club is holding a surplus auction on Wednesday. Next Saturday they start their weekend event at Cartworth Moor for the WAB Contest. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night on Wednesday. Next Sunday sees the club taking part in the RSGB 21/28Mhz contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and continues its Advanced course. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on the UKFM Repeater Group by Kath and Dave Wilson. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on iconic figures of amateur radio by Peter, G3PHO. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is discussing its Christmas meal. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is planning its expedition. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday Spen Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on real time HF propagation prediction by Ian, M0INB. Details from Russell, G0FOI, on 01274 875 038.

On Sunday Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB 21/28MHz Contest. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Thursday Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is having fun with antenna analysers in a hands-on night. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

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NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday Ayr Amateur Radio Group is discussing HF and VHF operating procedures. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Friday Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is operating GB100MWT today at Sandford Mill Science and Discovery Day Museum public open day. Tuesday sees the club AGM. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz on Monday from 8pm. On Wednesday there is CW net on 3.570MHz from 8pm. Friday sees a 2m net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Monday by Ted Awcock on the Diplomatic Wireless Station at Crowborough. Wednesday sees operation at the Hailsham shack. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday and next Saturday. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Banbury Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Wednesday on kit construction for amateur radio. Next Sunday sees the club operating a special event station for Banbury Canal Day. Details from John, G8OZH, on 07774 525 818.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a discussion evening on Wednesday. Next Sunday sees the monthly breakfast meeting at The Goring Caf&#65533; from 9am. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video evening and is planning for JOTA. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a natter and fix it night. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday Leiston Amateur Radio Club is having a show and tell evening. Details from Andy, G3ZYP, on 01394 460 441.

On Wednesday Havering & District Amateur Radio Club has its fourth business meeting. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding a surplus equipment sale. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

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On Thursday Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a used equipment sale. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is planning for CQWW. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk on the GB3VHF beacon project by Chris, G0FDZ. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and post event equipment testing evening. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having an introduction to microwaves by Colin Boys, G8BCO. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is running a Foundation course. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its HF net on Monday on 3.675MHz from 19:45. The 2m net is on Tuesday and the 4m net on Thursday. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is on the air. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Peter Robinson, G0EYR, on 07811 635 819.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a RepRap 3D printing demonstration by Paul, 2E0PSM. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Roger Davis, G3IUZ, on his sixty years in and out of amateur radio. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding its main meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club has its annual junk sale. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is looking at the multi band delta loop antenna. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838

695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having the third episode of technical stories from 40 years at the BBC by Tony Crake, G0OVA. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

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On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and is running an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday Dragon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on setting up a local commercial radio station by Chris Tanner, MW0LLK. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is having a demonstration by Chris, GW4DGU. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by guest speaker GW3WEQ, Contact Frank Bailey, M1EYH, by email to fcbailey20@btinternet.com.

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1908. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-058E -An invitation from the family of Earle Smith,VE6NM

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2012-10-01

An invitation from the family of Earle Smith, VE6NM:

There will be a service for Earle Smith in Southampton Cemetery in Nova Scotia on Oct 5, 2012 at 11 AM. A luncheon will follow at the Southampton Community Hall. Here is a map to the Cemetery location:http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nscumber/cemetery/southampton.html
<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/%7Enscumber/cemetery/southampton.html>

For those of you that do not think you know Earle please pick up your TCA magazine from May/June 2012 (page 10). Take a look you probably knew him.

Here is a snippet of his bio fromhttp://www.obsd.com/qcwa-chapter151/ve6nm_bio.html(QCWA Chapter 15)

"First licenced in 1948 as VE1SA. During RCAF career 1948 - 1968 held calls VE3ADP, VE2ACW, VE2ATT, VE8AT, VE2ACH, VE8AT, VE3BMM, VE1ZQ/VE1WR, VE6APB, VE6NM/VE6EWS and VE8BY-B. Served as VE8 QSL Manager for several years. Served as ARLA Director for NW Alberta and also briefly served as Assistant Canadian Radio Relay League (CRRL) Director for NW Alberta, then various executive positions with Canadian Amateur Radio Federation (CARF) and worked on merger of CARF and CRRL to form Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC), followed by many years involvement with RAC as Director for AB/NT/NU, various Executive roles and retired as President RAC December 2007. Also RAC Delegate Team Leader to several IARU Region II conferences. Currently Life Member of RAC, QCWA, SOWP, member of ARRL and member of several amateur clubs across Canada. Proud to be the sole Canadian recipient of the prestigious Azteca Award from Federacion Mexicana de Radioamateur Experimentadores A.C (FMRE) for services rendered to amateur radio in Canada and Mexico. Amateur wise my favourite band remains Six Metres. I continue to be involved in ARES. It was a privilege for me, while serving as RAC President, to visit every Canadian Province and Territory while meeting many amateurs. I've also attended several QCWA National conventions and enjoy meeting so many enthusiastic amateurs."

Jeffery Trevors, VE1CQD

Via Geoff Bawden, VE4BAW

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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1909. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 24 - 30 September 2012

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
24 - 30 September 2012

After a relatively unspectacular start, solar activity reached
moderate levels this week. The first four days saw only occasional
C-class flares. Regions 1575 (N08, L=181, class/area=Eko/320 on 22
Sep) and 1577 (N08, L=162, class/area=Dai/100 on 23 Sep) were the
most prolific regions, producing 11 and 9 C-class events,
respectively. One of the events from Region 1577, a C3/1f flare at
27/2357 UTC, was associated with a filament eruption northwest of,
and adjacent to the region. The CME was subsequently visible in
LASCO C2 imagery at 28/0018 UTC and LASCO C3 imagery 12 minutes
later. Radial velocity of the ejecta was estimated to be 872 km/s.
By midday on the 28th, x-ray background began rising, signaling an
increase in activity as Region 1583 began to grow rapidly. By 30
September at 0433 UTC, Region 1583 (N12, L=187, class/area=Dso/90 on
30 Sep) had produced an M1 flare. Later that day, Region 1575
produced the second largest flare of the week, a C9/Sf at 30/2339
UTC.

A 10 MeV integrated proton flux greater than 10 pfu event occurred
in conjunction with the C3 flare mentioned above. Proton flux
crossed the 10 pfu threshold on 28/0300 UTC, peaked at 28 pfu at
28/0445 UTC, and ended at 28/1040 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit reached
moderate levels each day of the week.

Geomagnetic field activity was quiet until the end of the week when
it reached active levels. The CME from 28 September described above
reached earth on the 30th. Two separate interplanetary shocks (IPS)
were observed at the ACE spacecraft. The first was at 30/1025 UTC,
followed by a 15nT geomagnetic sudden impulse (SI) observed at the
Boulder magnetometer at 30/1138 UTC. A second IPS was observed at
the ACE spacecraft at 30/2213 UTC followed by a 35nT SI at the
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Boulder magnetometer at 30/2307 UTC. The first sudden impulse was followed by unsettled conditions; the second, by active conditions. The Bz component of the interplanetary magnetic field reached -15 at 30/2225 UTC and continues to hover between -15 and -20 nT at the time of this report.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
01 October - 27 October 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels, with a chance for moderate activity, particularly for the first two days of the forecast period and again in mid-October.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background levels except for 7-9 October in association with a recurrent coronal hole.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the period ranging from minor to strong (G1-G3) levels due to the CME from 28 September. Conditions should quickly return to mostly quiet and for the period be generally quiet levels with the possible exceptions of 3-5 October and 15-17 October when coronal hole high speed streams are expected to be geoeffective.

1910. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 30th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 16:04:54 UTC
From: Some One <manwithagavel@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a9109dc9-5682-464f-bd51-300c6e2591e9@s14g2000vba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1927
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

GB2RS,
The Republic of Kosovo is now officially on the air. Z60K, the club
station of the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo, located near
Pristina, is now on the air. For this operation, QSL via G3TXF or use
ClubLog. As Kosovo is not yet a member of the United Nations

No seat at the UN = the country doesn't exist.
Just like Palestine.
RSGB talking out it's arse again.

1911. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 1 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 16:28:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced13c720c04cb01e30a@google.com>
Source record: 1928
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-274 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 30 Sep 2012 09:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363227-ANS-274-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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ans-editor@amsat.org

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From AMSAT HQ SILVER SPRING, MD.

September 30, 2012

To All RADIO AMATEURS

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Satellite Operation from the USS IOWA for Scouting JOTA

Jim Jerzycke, KQ6EA says he will be operating for the BSA JOTA event from the USS IOWA in San Pedro, California on 20 October from 1600 UTC to 2300 UTC. The callsign will be NI6BB on FO-29, AO-27, and AO-7.

Jim will concentrate mostly on the linear birds but conditions permitting he will also try to make FM contacts. Pass predictions also show a couple of good ISS passes so operation will depend on its operating mode at that time.

The Jamboree-on-the-Air, or JOTA, is an annual Scouting event that uses amateur radio to link Scouts around the world, around the nation, and in your own community. For more information about JOTA

see: http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx

[ANS thanks Jim Jerzycke, KQ6EA for the above information]

AMSAT 2012 Space Symposium Papers Due October 1

Symposium Proceedings Editor, Dan Schultz, N8FGV reminds authors the final copy of your paper for the 2012 Space Symposium is due by October 1, 2012. Dan requests a tentative title of your presentation as soon as possible, with final copy to be by October 1 for inclusion in the printed proceedings. Abstracts and papers should

be sent to Dan Schultz, N8FGV, at n8fgv at amsat.org

Proposals for papers, symposium presentations and poster presentations are invited on any topic of interest to the amateur satellite community:

Papers for publication in the ProceedingsSymposium PresentationsPoster PresentationsEquipment and Operating Demonstrations

The Symposium Committee still has prime slots available on the speaker's schedule. The AMSAT Symposium depends on YOU to make it happen, without speakers there is no Symposium.

Please consider doing a presentation, even if you have never done so in the past. We are especially interested in papers and presentations involving our educational partnerships with K-12 and university level classrooms. Education is quickly becoming critical for our future rides to space.

Additionally registration for the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium, to be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th is now open on-line. A mail-in option is also available those preferring this approach. See the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration.

Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page.

[ANS thanks 2012 Symposium Proceedings Editor Dan Schultz, N8FGV for the above information]

AMSAT 2012 Field Day Results

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO has released the results of the 2012 AMSAT Field Day. Bruce wrote, "Field day this year had some unexpected results. The full story with photos will be in an issue of the AMSAT Journal. This was one of the closest field day ever for the top 4 spots."

2012 Field Day Standings - in the event of a tie, the calls are alphabetical.

Rank Call Class Score

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1 K6MMM 3A 58 First

2 W5MSQ 2A 53 Second

3 W6YX 3F 52 Third

4 K4BFT 4A 50 Fourth

5 K6AA 3A 29

6 K4JJ 4A 16

7 WC5C 4F 15

8 W5IU 4A 13

9 WI9MRC 4A 8

10 CO6CBF 1E 7

11 K8UNS 4A 7

12 WD9EWK 1B 6

13 K2IRT 3A 4

14 K5DX 1A 4

15 KK5W 5A 2

16 K9MOT 1A 2

17 VE3RAM 2A 1

18 VE9EMM 2A 1

19 W4EM 3A 1

[ANS thanks AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO for the above information]

Silent Key: Michael Owen, VK3KI

AMSAT has received the sad news of the passing of IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael Owen, VK3KI, on September 22. He was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA).

Owen's first notable contributions to amateur radio started at the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference. WARC-79 is memorable primarily because it's where the Amateur Radio Service gained the bands at 10, 18 and 24 MHz. He also drafted the resolution to exempt the Amateur-Satellite Service from coordination procedures that otherwise would have bogged us

down in endless paperwork and great expense. He was a member of the IARU team who handled the rewrite of Article 25, the rules that apply specifically to the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services.

Owen is survived by his wife Nan, and two daughters. Funeral services were held on September 28 at St Andrews Anglican Church in Brighton, Victoria, Australia.

[ANS thanks the Wireless Institute of Australia, the IARU, and the ARRL for the above information]

UKube-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat Books a Ride on Soyuz-2

AMSAT-UK published this news on their web: http://www.uk.amsat.org/10497

UKube-1 - the UK Space Agency's first CubeSat mission - has 'booked' its journey into space on a Russian Soyuz-2 rocket. The launch from the Baikonur Cosmodrone in Kazakhstan is expected to take place in March 2013.

UKube-1 carries an amateur radio 435/145 MHz linear transponder built by members of AMSAT-UK.

The UK Space Agency have issued the following press release:

The UKube-1 nanosatellite is a collaboration between the UK Space Agency, industry and academia. It will allow the UK to fly educational packages, test new technologies and carry out new space research quickly and efficiently. It is envisaged as the pilot for a full national CubeSat programme.

Dr David Williams, Chief Executive of the UK Space Agency, said, "UKube-1 is almost ready to fly; the platform is nearly complete, 4 of the missions 5 payloads are mission-ready and we have now secured a launch with Roscosmos. We are eagerly awaiting the start of the innovative experiments that this small but mighty satellite will perform once in orbit around our planet."

The winning UKube-1 payloads from the UK Space Agency's payload competition include the first GPS device aimed at measuring plasmaspheric space weather; a camera that will take images of the Earth and test the effect of radiation on space hardware, using a new generation of imaging sensor; an experiment to demonstrate the feasibility of using cosmic radiation to improve the security of communications satellites and to flight test lower cost electronic systems; and a payload made up of 5 experiments that UK students and the public can interact with.

As well as providing a fantastic opportunity for innovative UK companies and UK academics to collaborate on a national space project, UKube-1 is also useful for training the next generation of space engineers and will include a tiny radio transmitter for science education, and a materials science experiment from which school students can receive data. The system, funded by volunteer members and friends of AMSAT-UK, is called FUNcube and will be integrated with UKube-1 as part of the programme.

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

ARISS Status - 24 September 2012

1. Successful Contacts Held

Students from Zespól Szkól Technicznych w Kole in Kolo, Poland participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, aboard the ISS on Wednesday, September 19. Hoshide answered all 18 questions posed by the students during the overhead pass, which included topics on astronaut training, education, and skills and abilities needed on the ISS. Video of the event may be viewed here: http://www.livestream.com/arisspolsk...edium=ui-thumb

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between Sunset Hills Elementary School in San Diego, California and Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI on the ISS on Thursday, September 20. Students were able to have 13 questions answered about living on the ISS. Three television stations and other media covered the event. Video may be viewed at: http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/25558153

CBS has an article on its website: http://www.cbs8.com/story/19605202/l...-space-station and the North County Times ran a story: http://www.nctimes.com/news/local/po...c11532c9a.html

On Friday, September 21, Lafayette Middle School, La Fayette, Georgia took part in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB. The gymnasium was filled with students, guests and VIPs who listened as the school's Rambler Radio Club members spoke with the astronaut. The school hopes the ARISS contact will help get the students interested in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. WRCB TV covered the event. See: http://www.wrcbtv.com/story/19610751...s-make-contact (line wrap)

2. ARISS International Team Meeting Held

The ARISS International Team monthly teleconference was held on Tuesday, September 18. Topics of discussion included a status on HamTV, as well as an update on the new VHF Ericsson which is expected to launch to the ISS later this year. Minutes have been posted. See: http://ariss.rac.ca/arisstel2012-09-18.htm

3. ARISS Status on Social Media

ARISS currently has 1480 followers on Twitter: http://twitter.com/ARISS_status

And as a reminder, ARISS news may also be found on Facebook. See:

http://www.facebook.com/pages/Amateu...53679794647788

4. ARRL Articles on ARISS

On September 20, the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) carried a story written by ARISS member Dave Jordan about "Teach-In Day," an annual event in Seminole County, Florida which provides opportunities for interested

parties to visit schools and teach the children about their area of expertise. The Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Society

visited English Estates School and talked about amateur radio, amateur satellites, the ISS and ARISS and the role of amateur radios during emergencies. English Estates participated in its own ARISS contact in May 2011. To view, "The 2011 English Estates Teach-In," see: http://www.arrl.org/the-2011-english-estates-teach-in

5. Stonepark Intermediate Announces Upcoming Contact

Stonepark Intermediate School in Charlottetown, PEI, Canada is preparing for an ARISS contact with Canadian astronaut Chris Hadfield, KC5RNJ/VA3OOG, who is scheduled to join the ISS Expedition 34 crew in December of this year. Sue Geddes, a teacher-librarian at Stonepark, was interviewed about the upcoming event:

http://www.cbc.ca/islandmorning/epis...hris-hadfield/

The school has also posted information about the contact on its Web site. See: http://stonepark.wordpress.com/ariss...communication/

6. South Florida Science Museum Holds Essay Contest for ARISS Contact

The South Florida Science Museum held an essay contest for students in the Palm Beach County School District to select fifteen K-12 students to participate in an ARISS contact in October. Deadline for submissions was September 24. For more information, see: http://www.sfsm.org/index.cfm?fuseac...&returnTo=main

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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HF Station Giveaway to Support Youth in HF Actvity

Posted: 30 Sep 2012 08:13 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363216-HF-Station-Giveaway-to-Support-Youth-in-HF-Activity&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Supplies, LLC of Haverhill, MA has announced a special give away of a complete HF station to one lucky youth under the age of 21 that wants to get active on the HF bands with their very own station. Supporting youth in HF activities like DXing and Contesting is one of the primary philanthropic missions of the business and the QRZ readership is asked to spread the word!

The equipment is all new and will be delivered anywhere in the world to the lucky winner. To enter or nominate a youth that you know needs help getting on the air - simply follow the instructions at the Amateur Radio Supplies website.

Equipment in the give away includes:

Alinco DX-SR8T/E 160-6m All Mode Transceiver & 30 Amp PS

LDG AT-100 Pro II Desktop Antenna Tuner

Choice of Rugged All Band G5RV or HyGain DX-77A Vertical 100□ of

Premium RG-213 Coax

Vibroplex Brass Racer Iambic Paddles

SignaLink USB Sound Card for Digital Modes

Heil Pro Set Plus Headset

Spread the word and help us get a deserving young ham on the air!

73 N1SNB & The Amateur Radio Supplies Team

1912. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 1 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 17:08:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d03f2190604cb0227cf@google.com>
Source record: 1929
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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PJ7XK PJ7I Sint Maarten Island

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 07:18 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363317-PJ7XK-PJ7I-Sint-Maarten-Island&goto=newpost

7L4DXT and K1GI will be active from Sint Maarten Island 18-24 November 2012
as PJ7XK and PJ7I

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...aarten-island/

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live broadcast of MFJ 40th anniversary

Posted: 30 Sep 2012 08:39 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363221-live-broadcast-of-MFJ-40th-anniversary&goto=newpost

It's time for the Live Broadcast of MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration!!

MFJ Enterprises will be celebrating their 40th anniversary October 5th and
6th (Friday and Saturday) in Starkville, Mississippi! For those that can
attend in person, there will be door prizes (must be present to win), free
factory tours (MFJ, Ameritron, Cushcraft, Hy-Gain, Mirage, Vectronics, and
MFJ Metal Shop), free lunch, free tailgating, free forums/discussions, and
FCC license exams. Special guests will include:

Martin F Jue, K5FLU, president and founder of MFJ Enterprises Inc

Malcolm Keown, W5XX, ARRL Mississippi Section Manager

Harold Kramer, WJ1B, CEO American Radio Relay League

Chip Margelli, K7JA, CQ Advertising Manager and famous DXer

Janet Margelli, KL7MF, Ham Radio Outlet Anaheim Manager

Ray Novak, N9JA, ICOM America Amateur Radio Sales Manager

Ted Randall, WB8PUM, QSO Shortwave Radio Host

Dick Ross, K2MGA, CQ Magazine Publisher

George Thomas, W5JDX, Ham Nation, AmateurLogic.com

For additional information regarding the MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration go tohttp://www.mfjenterprises.com/dayinpark.php.

If you cannot attend in person, please join the live, online broadcast of MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration events at http://W5KUB.com where the fun begins!

MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration broadcast hours:

Thursday, October 4: 2000 UTC (3:00 PM CT) drive from Memphis, Tennessee to Starkville, Mississippi (approximately 3 1/4 hour drive)

Friday, October 5: 1300 - 21:30 UTC (8:00 AM - 4:30 PM CT)

Saturday, October 6: 1300 UTC - 1900 UTC (8:00 AM - 2:00 PM CT) Saturday, October 6: 2000 UTC (3:00 PM CT) drive from Starkville, Mississippi to Memphis, Tennessee (approximately 3 1/4 hour drive)

You could be the winner of an online MFJ prize (not to be confused with the MFJ door prizes) which will be awarded during the W5KUB broadcast. Of course, no purchase is necessary to win a prize. W5KUB is not affiliated with any products or companies and does not sell any products or services.

During the live broadcast, you will also have the opportunity to meet and chat with other amateur radio operators from all over the world. The 2012 Dayton Hamvention broadcast had 47,400 viewers!

Please join our group on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/ to keep up with us year-round.

Also, please help spread the word by posting this announcement in Facebook and forwarding this message to your ham radio friends that may not have received this message!

We'll 'see' you at MFJ!

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Tom Medlin, W5KUB

http://w5kub.com

1913. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 30th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 18:28:13 UTC
From: "Jimbo ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <%glas.123558$PU2.14595@fx23.am4>
Source record: 1930
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Len GM0ONX" <gm0onx@gooooglemail.com> wrote in message
news:5rkj68t0l49rdllvt2gnc81vjbtkpd9312@4ax.com...
> On Mon, 1 Oct 2012 09:04:54 -0700 (PDT), Some One
> <manwithagavel@gmail.com> wrote:
>
>>GB2RS,
>>The Republic of Kosovo is now officially on the air. Z60K, the club
>>station of the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo, located near
>>Pristina, is now on the air. For this operation, QSL via G3TXF or use
>>ClubLog. As Kosovo is not yet a member of the United Nations
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>>No seat at the UN = the country doesn't exist.
>>Just like Palestine.
>>RSGB talking out it's arse again.
>
> Ah the vagrancies of amateur radio and the DXCC list bare little
> relevance to the real world.
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> How the hell can a Scarborough Reef where there is so little land that
> you have to build a wooden plinth on top of a rock in the ocean to
> operated count but a country.
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> http://www.scarboroughreef.com/4rocks.html
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>
I don't understand pillocks like inspector tom that do that...being in a
sort (sic) after area in my mind is a nightmare....people who do it are just
supreme egotists....on a visit to Gibraltar I visited the club station and
had a nice telephone arranged QSO with my friend in Beith then whammo pile
up...switched off......sod it

1914. eHam.net News for Monday 1 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-01 22:10:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5171cf9d5d41f04cb06aa5b@google.com>
Source record: 1931
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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JOTA Scout Event Brings Amateur Radio Station to F.C.:

Posted: 30 Sep 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29059

Area Boy Scouts will be setting up a field radio station next month in Falls Church. The Jamboree-on-the-Air event will transform a field at 2034 Great Falls St., Falls Church, into an amateur radio station on Oct. 20 from 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.

1915. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 1 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-02 02:40:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341007783c8004cb0a7111@google.com>
Source record: 1932
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio enthusiasts demonstrate emergency skills - YourWestValley.com

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 03:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFE7lespBhWXjt_fXD3i4JswZyZeQ&url=http://www.yourwestvalley.com/surprise/article_6b40747c-0be2-11e2-acc8-001a4bcf887a.html

Ham radio enthusiasts demonstrate emergency skills
YourWestValley.com
Members of the West Valley Amateur Radio Club, the ham radio operators were in Surprise Park on Saturday demonstrating how their radio stations operate as part of National Emergency Preparedness Month sponsored by the Federal Emergency ...

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Amateur radio testing Oct. 13 - Rapid City Journal

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 08:25 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFSh_pqk81_jiSnRNe57WKZ1e62rQ&url=http://rapidcityjournal.com/amateur-radio-testing-oct/article_7504b9b2-0bda-11e2-a6a1-001a4bcf887a.html

Amateur radio testing Oct. 13
Rapid City Journal
HOT SPRINGS – The Hot Springs Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring amateur radio license testing, beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Hot Springs Public Library. Lon Seaboldt, examiner for the Club, reminds those who currently have a license ...

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New State Laws - Hartford Courant

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 06:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHXgNj-DEGgKhehN0gZ7noXNzv6dw&url=http://articles.courant.com/2012-09-30/news/hc-new-laws-box-1001-20120928_1_jury-duty-animal-cruelty-ham-radio-operators

New State Laws
Hartford Courant
Ham radio operators: Licensed ham radio operators are exempt from the ban on using hand-held mobile devices while driving. Animal cruelty: The maximum penalties for subsequent convictions for animal cruelty rise from $1,000, one year in prison, or both ...

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11 Palm Beach County students win chance to talk to astronauts on ... -
Palm Beach Post

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 01:48 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEpQzNMsdbs199M34TQqRplSb53tQ&url=http://www.palmbeachpost.com/news/news/local-education/students-to-speak-to-space-station-via-amateur-rad/nSQzQ/

11 Palm Beach County students win chance to talk to astronauts on ...
Palm Beach Post
Eleven lucky students will gather this month at the South Florida Science Museum to speak, via amateur radio, to astronauts on the International Space Station as it passes overhead. The School District of Palm Beach County, working with the museum ...

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Stateline Area Community Calendar - Beloit Daily News

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 02:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF9ut_Okij3PbZ8eIZ5vwgjt3KV9w&url=http://www.beloitdailynews.com/community/stateline-area-community-calendar/article_316bd518-0be5-11e2-b386-001a4bcf887a.html

Stateline Area Community Calendar
Beloit Daily News
GREATER BELOIT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB will meet at 7 p.m. in the Main Fire Station, Beloit. All Ham radio users are invited. For more information, call 608-466-7062. Tuesday, Oct. 2. STATELINE GOLDEN K KIWANIS will hold its board meeting at 9 a.m. at ...

1916. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 30th September 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-02 09:37:06 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <4Byas.162701$2%5.40727@fx05.am4>
Source record: 1933
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 01/10/2012 19:28, Jimbo ... wrote:

> had a nice telephone arranged QSO with my friend in Beith then whammo pile
> up...switched off......sod it

Lightweight..

1917. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 2 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-02 11:04:13 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93998931dde1404cb117b76@google.com>
Source record: 1934
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Best Possible Taste - The Kenny Everett Story

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C2EiFLR-2O0/best_possible_taste_the_kenny_everett_story.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rob Mannion G3XFD – Editor of Practical Wireless – writes "An interesting programme is due to be transmitted by the BBC 4 channel on Wednesday October 3rd 2012. Due to be aired at 2100 hours, it tells the story of the late, well-known zany DJ and TV personality Kenny Everett (played by Oliver Lansley). But, you may be wondering , "What does this have to do with hobby radio and PW?"

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Upcoming ARISS contact with Izmir SEV Primary School, Izmir, Turkey

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/e-z8a1YwbNQ/ariss_event_0510.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Izmir SEV Primary School, Izmir, Turkey on 05 October

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EQUiSat Optical Beacon CubeSat

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-Ur2mrVnxao/equisat_optical_beacon_cubesat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Students at the Ivy League Brown University are developing an amateur radio satellite EQUiSat that has an optical beacon

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Join AMSAT-UK

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1oGft8tAmOA/join_amsat_uk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Membership of AMSAT-UK is open to anyone with an interest in amateur radio satellites or space activities, including the ISS, and now is a good time to join

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Radio Hams help with free WiFi

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PZ9kgtM8c6U/radio_hams_help_with_free_wifi.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Belgian national society (UBA) reports on the involvement of radio amateurs in getting free WiFi in Geraardsbergen

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ISS CubeSat deployment October 4

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cG0s-aOBdgo/iss_cubesat_deployment_october_4.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The deployment of five CubeSats from the International Space Station (ISS) should take place on Thursday, October 4 at 1435 UT

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EURAO joins the PLT battle

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/32Visorf67M/eurao_joins_the_plt_battle.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The European Radio Amateurs' Organization (EURAO) sent a letter this summer to the European Commission voicing its deep concerns about the future PLT standard and the major impact on amateur radio communications that the change will cause

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Visitor numbers to RSGB Convention set to be best yet

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VvKf2S5MB3s/visitor_numbers_to_rsgb_convention_set_to_be_best_yet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB Convention takes place at Horwood House near Milton Keynes on 12 to 14 October

1918. eHam.net News for Tuesday 2 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-02 22:09:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04446bc9e7fdab04cb1ac405@google.com>
Source record: 1935
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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11 Palm Beach County Students Win Chance to Talk to Astronauts on ISS:

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 05:20 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29069

WEST PALM BEACH -- Eleven lucky students will gather this month at the South Florida Science Museum to speak, via amateur radio, to astronauts on the International Space Station as it passes overhead. The School District of Palm Beach County, working with the museum, invited students in grades 3-12, and teachers, to participate in an essay contest on "Why is space exploration important and what does it mean to me?" A panel of former astronauts as well as educators, scientists, and local media made the selections.

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Randy Thompson, K5ZD, Named Director of CQ World Wide DX Contest:

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 01:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29060

(Hicksville, NY) October 1, 2012 -- CQ Contest Hall of Fame member and WPX Contest Director Randy Thompson, K5ZD, has been named Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest, effective immediately. Randy succeeds Bob Cox, K3EST, who retired in September after 35 years at the helm of the world's most popular amateur radio contest.

1919. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 2 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 02:27:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340571bc665a04cb1e6121@google.com>
Source record: 1936
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio systems real heroes of new series "The Last Resort" - Examiner.com

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 06:21 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHS_RR-79e_fbGmbhq3f8sIUokHWw&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/radio-systems-real-heroes-of-new-series-the-last-resort

Radio systems real heroes of new series "The Last Resort"
Examiner.com
Ham radio was a bit in the doldrums. We were experimenting with radioteletype and some media burst, but there were still diehard AM aficionados, though there Amateurs out there advancing the “radio arts” with huge (20 to 30 long UHF antennas) who were ...

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Hamfest unites amateur radio enthusiasts - The Mountain Press

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 09:40 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEWeM7wkhbMRkjlIA-lqaYlUMqRPg&url=http://themountainpress.com/bookmark/20321829--b-Hamfest-unites-amateur-radio-enthusiasts-b-

Hamfest unites amateur radio enthusiasts
The Mountain Press
Ten-Tec primarily builds amateur, or ham, radio equipment, which it sells directly to the consumer. "Every year we try to announce some new products, and we hold a forum where our engineering manager and one of our salesmen talk to costumers about ...

and more

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Radio club holds fundraiser - Idaho Mountain Express and Guide

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 11:21 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHxttcA8e2fiibDY14z4pVTFYL1eA&url=http://www.mtexpress.com/vu_breaking_story.php?bid%3D98548

Radio club holds fundraiser
Idaho Mountain Express and Guide
The Wood River Amateur Radio Club will hold a fundraiser on Saturday, Nov. 10 to support the very equipment that makes ham radio operation possible in the area. The potluck and BYOB event will go to support the Bald Mountain-Galena Summit repeater ...

1920. HOT VIDEOS SEXY PHOTOS WATCH AND FREE DOWNLOAD 21,]

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 07:54:28 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f9f15f3c-e53c-42e1-9ac9-4b1041808756@vy11g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1937

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http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

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http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
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http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

1921. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 3 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 11:05:15 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d04462fdc372e9e04cb259c35@google.com>
Source record: 1938
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Randy Thompson, K5ZD, named Director of CQ World Wide DX Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/I_iQWkIjyYI/randy_thompson_k5zd_named_director_of_cq_world_wide_dx_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Radio Ham killed in plane crash

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w5azWFZXBYU/radio_ham_killed_in_plane_crash.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL reports that Serbian Air Force Major Goran Savić YT2A/AD7JQ (ex-YZ1SG) was killed in a plane crash

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American re-supply Missions to the Space Station progressing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UH_FjYb93Xs/american_re-supply_missions_to_the_space_station_progressing.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Orbital Sciences Corporation Monday rolled the first stage of its Antares rocket to the launch pad at Wallops Island, Va. - while in Florida, Space Exploration Technologies (SpaceX) moves ahead with preparations for an Oct. 7 launch to the International Space Station

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4G - Chair of Interim Mitco Oversight Board appointed

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UGxsxyb_FlA/4g_chair_of_interim_mitco_oversight_board_appointed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The DCMS has appointed radio amateur David Hendon G8DPQ to be the part-time Chair of the Interim Mitco Oversight Board

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Essex Ham Podcast on iTunes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lPlnK8sjNMM/essex_ham_podcast_on_itunes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Essex Ham amateur radio podcast is now available to download free from iTunes

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FTzOrkIGpZk/wca_0310.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW has news of 3 World Castles Award operations taking place this weekend

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100th anniversary of ITU Prefixes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Mgs9MMOx3pE/100th_anniversary_of_itu_prefixes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the ITU Prefixes, look for special event station PB100PREFIX to be active between 4th and 13th October 2012

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Delmarva Island Hoppers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3pqsPY9wxRs/delmarva_island_hoppers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Delmarva Island Hoppers will be active on 6 October 2012 as N3NAH from Middle Island and as W3TL from Massey Island, Sussex county, Delaware

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Saga International Balloon Fiesta

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YkbJeJP_8JE/saga_international_balloon_fiesta.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for special event callsign 8J6BAL to be aired on all bands and modes between 6 October until 5 November for the 2012 Saga International Balloon Fiesta

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Greek battleship on the air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UKC1uvJM4tw/greek_battleship_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio Amateur Association of Greece (RAAG) announced that they will operate a special event station from the Memorial Battleship 'Georgios Averof' at Phaleron Bay, using callsign SX100A

1922. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1080.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 14:34:54 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <977314.55468.qm@smtp108.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1939
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1080.1
Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin No. 1080.1

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1080.1
BID: $OPDX.1080.1
October 3, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, and WA8APD for the following DX information.

OPDX BACK ONLINE NOTICE/UPDATE. This is to inform OPDX Subscribers that the server which hosts the OPDX Mailing List and E-mail for the OPDX failed on September 20th. This is the reason why you did not receive the September 24th bulletin. The server had been down until October 1st. Please be advised that if you sent any information for the bulletin on or between September 20-30th, it was NOT received, and we request you send it again.
Within the next few hours, I will resend September 24th's bulletin (OPDX.1080) [because I know some DXers like to keep a record of the bulletins] and a special bulletin with some press releases.
Thanks for your understanding and special thanks goes to Dave, WA8APD, SysOp of the HAMNET.ORG Server, for getting things going again.

73 de Tedd KB8NW

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ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1923. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1080.2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 15:39:43 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <778212.87829.qm@smtp101.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1940
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1080.2
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OOOPPSS DEPARTMENT. In the "OPDX BACK ONLINE NOTICE/UPDATE" special bulletin we just sent out a few minutes, there is a typo. The callsign for the SysOp of the HAMNET.ORG Server should be WB8APD (not WA8APD). Sorry Dave..... Again, thanks for getting things back online.

ARS GIVEWAY TO PROMOTE YOUTH IN AMATEUR RADIO (Press Release).
"To encourage youth in DXing and Contesting, the Amateur Radio Supplies (ARS) owner management team, Jeff/N1SNB and Randy/N0TG will provide a COMPLETE STATION to a deserving young ham, under AGE 21.
Many youth operators are unable to purchase the needed equipment to get on the air. Here at Amateur Radio Supplies, we want them to experience the joy that has propelled us in this hobby for many decades. Thus, on January 1, 2013, we'll be doing the first of many station sponsorships to support youth in DXing and contesting.
Amateur Radio Supplies will give a complete HF (high frequency) station to the selected applicant, including:
• Alinco DX-SR8T/E 160-6m All Mode Transceiver & 30 Amp PS
• LDG AT-100 Pro II Desktop Antenna Tuner
• Choice of Rugged All Band G5RV or HyGain DX-77A Vertical
• 100• of Premium RG-213 Coax
• Vibroplex Brass Racer Iambic Paddles
• SignaLink USB Sound Card for Digital Modes
• Heil Pro Set Plus Headset

Applicants under the age of 21 can apply by submitting a form located on the ARS web site at: http://www.amateurradiosupplies.com/youth-s/222.htm

Nominations will also be accepted. Nominations and Questions:
Contact Randy Rowe, N0TG, at randy@amateurradiosupplies.com "

CQ NEWS (Press Release). The following was sent out by Richard, W2VU, Editor of CQ Amateur Radio, on October 1st: "Randy Thompson, K5ZD, Named Director of CQ World Wide DX Contest -- CQ Contest Hall of Fame member and WPX Contest Director Randy Thompson, K5ZD, has been named Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest, effective immediately. Randy succeeds Bob Cox, K3EST, who retired in September after 35 years at the helm of the world's most popular amateur radio contest.
Thompson, 53, has been a ham since age 13. He is an accomplished contester, having multiple wins in the CQ World Wide DX Contest and the CQ WPX Contest, among others. He has also competed in four World Radiosport Team Championships. In addition, Randy is a past editor of the "National Contest Journal" (a post he has held three separate times) and a co-founder of the eHam.net website. He is a longtime member of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club and an instructor at K3LR's Contest University. He has been Director of the CQ WPX Contest since 2008, coincidentally the same year in which he was inducted into the CQ Contest Hall of Fame.
'The CQ WW is the biggest event on the contest calendar,' commented Thompson. 'I am honored to be involved and follow in the giant footsteps of K3EST. With the great conditions we are seeing on the bands, this year should be the biggest CQ WW ever! The first order of business is to have the team ready for the new 5-day log deadline and faster results reporting.'
CQ Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, said Thompson's appointment marks the start of a new chapter in the history of CQ World Wide DX Contest, adding 'The CQ management team looks forward to working with Randy as CQWW Director. His four years as WPX Contest Director have already demonstrated his ability to successfully and creatively guide a major contest, and we are totally confident that he will take the CQWW to even greater heights.'
Thompson's appointment to the directorship of the CQWW creates a vacancy for director of the CQ WPX Contests. Anyone interested in taking on the challenge of leading a major contest should contact Randy at <k5zd@cqwpx.com>."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Press Release/Update). Operators Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN have announced a two week delay in the start of the CY0 DXpedition. The new dates are October 22-31st. They state, "Unfortunately, circumstances beyond our control prevented us from being able to fly to Sable Island on October 8th, our original schedule. The revised schedule, however, will put us on Sable Island during the CQWW Phone contest weekend and even though we do not plan to compete in the contest, we do plan to provide a new country, Sable Island, to those in the contest. As previously advertised, focus will be on the 10, 12, and 15 meter bands where the most demand for CY0 exists..... WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0" For updates and more details, visit: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

LIVE BROADCAST (from MFJ's 40th Anniversary Celebration). The following press release was sent out: "MFJ Enterprises will be celebrating their 40th anniversary October 5th and 6th (Friday and Saturday) in Starkville, Mississippi! For those that can attend in person, there will be door prizes (must be present to win), free factory tours (MFJ, Ameritron, Cushcraft, Hy-Gain, Mirage, Vectronics, and MFJ Metal Shop), free lunch,

free tailgating, free forums/discussions, and FCC license exams. Special guests will include:

Martin F Jue, K5FLU, President and founder of MFJ Enterprises Inc
Malcolm Keown, W5XX, ARRL Mississippi Section Manager
Harold Kramer, WJ1B, CEO American Radio Relay League
Chip Margelli, K7JA, CQ Communications, Director of Advertising Sales and Marketing
Janet Margelli, KL7MF, Ham Radio Outlet, Anaheim Manager
Ray Novak, N9JA, Icom America, Division Manager • Amateur & Receiver Products
Ted Randall, WB8PUM, QSO Shortwave Radio Host
Dick Ross, K2MGA, CQ Magazine Publisher
George Thomas, W5JDX, Ham Nation, AmateurLogic.com

For additional information regarding the MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration go to: http://www.mfjenterprises.com/dayinpark.php

If you cannot attend in person, please join the live, online broadcast of MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration events at http://W5KUB.com where the fun begins!

MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration broadcast hours:
* Thursday, October 4: 2000 UTC (3:00 PM CT) drive from Memphis, Tennessee, to Starkville, Mississippi (approximately 3 1/4 hour drive)
* Friday, October 5: 1300 - 21:30 UTC (8:00 AM - 4:30 PM CT)
* Saturday, October 6: 1300 UTC - 1900 UTC (8:00 AM - 2:00 PM CT)
* Saturday, October 6: 2000 UTC (3:00 PM CT) drive from Starkville, Mississippi to Memphis, Tennessee (approximately 3 1/4 hour drive)

You could be the winner of an online MFJ prize (not to be confused with the MFJ door prizes) which will be awarded during the W5KUB broadcast. Of course, no purchase is necessary to win a prize. W5KUB is not affiliated with any products or companies and does not sell any products or services. During the live broadcast, you will also have the opportunity to meet and chat with other amateur radio operators from all over the world. The 2012 Dayton Hamvention broadcast had 47,400 viewers!

Please join our group on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub> to keep up with us year-round.
Also, please help spread the word by posting this announcement in Facebook and forwarding this message to your ham radio friends that may not have received this message!

We'll 'see' you at MFJ! 73, Tom Medlin, W5KUB <http://w5kub.com>"

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update/Press Release). The following was received from Gene/K5GS and the ZL9HR team [edited]: "Thanks for your continued interest in ZL9HR Campbell Island DX-pedition.
We're making great progress during the planning and preparation phases. The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia members and the local ham community have pitched in to make this DX-pedition a reality.

Our current status:
6 Meters: We received approval for use of 50-51 MHz. Some areas in New Zealand use 50 MHz for television transmission; therefore it is not an Amateur allocation. Since Campbell Island is uninhabited we received a waiver from the NZ authorities to use those frequencies.

Additional Corporate Sponsors signed on since last update:
- Elecraft
- Rojone Pty Ltd
- Amateur Radio Supplies
- OptiBeam

DX Foundation, Club and Individual Sponsors: The list continues to grow. Please see the Web page for the most current list of supporters at: http://www.campbell2012.com/index.php/sponsors

Equipment: Our equipment is on the way to New Zealand. The gear was packed in crates and prepared for sea shipment from Sydney, Australia to Christchurch, New Zealand. Once through NZ Customs they will be trucked to Invercargill, New Zealand, and placed in a storage facility, arrival at the storage facility is scheduled for Oct. 11th. A bond was posted to get the equipment into New Zealand. In order to reclaim the bond we must remove the equipment from New Zealand upon completion of the DXpedition.

Quarantine Inspection: Before any person or equipment lands on Campbell Island an inspection of all personal items and equipment will be conducted by the NZ Department of Conservation. Our gear will be unpacked at the inspection station in Bluff, NZ on Nov. 24, 2012. Special attention is placed on items which may contain soil, rocks, stones, insects or other organic material. Boots and shoes must be scrubbed to remove any accumulated soil. Since the boat is used by the DoC for their expeditions were comfortable the boat is prepared for its inspection.

Island Logistics

1. As you may have seen with other DX-peditions to remote / uninhabited locations once on the island accommodations must be made for meals and sanitary considerations. Fortunately, the New Zealand Department of Conservation has allowed us to use several buildings and the toilet facilities in one of their buildings. These buildings were part of the weather station that once operated at Beeman Cove; they have been kept in good repair over the years since. Again, we appreciate the DoCs cooperation and assistance to the ZL9HR team. Sleeping accommodations will be on the boat, the team will shuttle back and forth from the island.

2. Since the weather will be cold and wet we'll wear layers and water-proof foul weather clothing.

3. We'll bring food, snacks, a medical kit, and other emergency supplies in the event we can't get back to the boat due to weather

conditions.

4. No trash is permitted to remain on the island; we'll be carting all refuse back to the boat for proper disposal. The boat is not permitted to empty its sanitary storage tanks while anchored in Perseverance Harbor so the skipper will occasionally take the boat out to sea to empty the tanks.

5. There's been recent Internet chatter about our antennas and their placement. Under the conditions of the landing permit antennas are permitted only in DoC designated spaces, all antennas must be inland. No antennas are allowed in or near the water, nor are we allowed to walk along the shoreline. While there are some optimum antenna locations on the island they are off limits to the team. We'll use vertical antennas for the Low Bands, and weather permitting, a 40 meter beam will be placed on a hill with a drop off towards the sea.

6. We've been advised there may be 2 scientific expeditions on the island while we are operating. The DoC does not anticipate any interaction between the DX-pedition team and the participants of these expeditions.

7. ZL9HR team member Dave Lloyd, K3EL, prepared some information about our antenna placement and propagation. You may read his articles at:
http://k3el.wordpress.com/dx/zl9hr/azimuthal_map/
http://k3el.wordpress.com/dx/zl9hr/antenna-choice-and-location/

8. As previously mentioned, we are governed by the conditions of the DoC issued landing permit, some of those conditions are:
a. Specified number of DX-pedition operating days
b. Antenna field designated by the DoC
c. Other than use of the wharf, no access to the shoreline
d. Team members restricted to island locations indicated on the permit
e. No overnight stays unless the weather prevents return to the boat
f. Second to personal safety is wildlife awareness and safety are highest priorities
g. Antennas must be marked to avoid bird strikes and ground borne wildlife may not be disturbed
h. Digging, trenching or other defacement / scaring of the land is prohibited.
i. We are permitted to install guy stakes for the antenna support structures

Team members have made their bookings to and from New Zealand, several will meet in Auckland before the DX-pedition, others will meet in Dunedin and eventually we'll first meet as a team in Invercargill, NZ on Nov. 23rd. In closing we want to thank our corporate sponsors, clubs, foundations and individuals who have provided products and funding to make the

activation of Campbell Island a reality after a long radio silence.

Next update in late October.

73, Gene K5GS and the ZL9HR team"
http://www.campbell2012.com

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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1924. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 3 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 16:10:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403939f7b3804cb29e1c4@google.com>
Source record: 1941
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Upcoming Yaesu FTdx-3000

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 04:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363558-Upcoming-Yaesu-FTdx-3000&goto=newpost

I have the Yaesu FTdx5000MP and it is an awesome radio. I've been playing with Amateur radios for 20+ years as Extra Class starting with a Kenwood TS-940S in 1993 an moving on. But the 5000 is light years past the 940 and once you learn how it works you can dial in any contact with almost FM quieting quality on SSB. It is worth the big bucks you will have to spend to get one.

Then the FTdx3000 is about to go on sale with comparable recieve circuitry as the 5000 at half the price plus a built in Spectrum scope. Per my 5000 that was another expensive addition per the DMU 2000. Meanhile Yaesu now has it on their website per all the details and they also mention a CW decode on the LCD display. That will be interesting per CWers.

I'm a Field Day CW highly competitive operator. Thus I don't need two receivers per the band I am working. But the Spectrum scope will make it easier per quickly dialing into a strong contact. So I've got a standing order per my favorite dealer to ship me one when they get them in stock. I'll let you know how it works for CWers later.

1925. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 3 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 16:13:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010e83549880c04cb29e947@google.com>
Source record: 1942
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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CW90A - 90th Anniversary of the Uruguayan Radio Broadcasting

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 08:21 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363533-CW90A-90th-Anniversary-of-the-Uruguayan-Radio-Broadcasting&goto=newpost

November 6th, 1922, is the date on which culminates the Uruguayan radio broadcating founding process. That day was the first trasmission of Radio Paradizabal, the pioneer Uruguayan commercial broadcasting. Therefore, in 2012 we celebrated the 90th anniversary of radio broadcasting in Uruguay, and Radiogrupo Sur (http://radiogruposur.org) wants to commemorate this event with various activities, in particular activating the special callsign CW90A, which is operating in all amateur bands and all modes since September 15th.

We invite all amateurs and swl arround the Wolrd to follow CW90A in our web site http://cw90a.radiogruposur.org, or in Facebook and Twitter.

1926. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 40 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 18:50:25 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121003184954.7A96C12331F12@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1943
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 40 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-10-03
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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I'm planning for the next year 2013 HF,50 Mhz and 144 Mhz EME a
"long" Dx-pedition in Wallis and Futuna (AH16VR).
Jean Jacques
TK5JJ

The UKSMG would like help in compiling a survey of your Most Wanted
Countries on 6m. We first conducted a survey in 2007 and the results
proved very popular in helping a number of leading Dxpeditioners decide
where to go next. The results of this survey will be published in the
January 2013 issue of Six News.
Once you have ticked the boxes on the attached PDF, please ensure you
have included your callsign in the necessary box, and then click on the
last box to email me your results.
Please note that this is not a survey of the most wanted countries
world-wide.
This separate survey can be accessed by going to:
http://www.uksmg.org/most-wanted-form.php

Thank you. Peter, *G3ZSS*, Editor of Six News.

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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SOURCE: tnx to EA6SA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: GU & GJ ; Guernsey & Jesrey ; Square: IN89 ; start 2012-09-29

NEWS by Hermann, DL2NUD, dated 2012-09-22:
All is ready to take of. As well the time schedule is now fixed:
sept. 30th till oct. 5th the TEAM will be qrv from GJ!
On 5th to 6th they will move to GU by ferrie and be qrv from GU until oct. 9th (
latest mid of the day to start their back trip).

Hermann, DL2NUD, and Peter, DJ4TC, will be qrv some days from GU and GJ
during sept. 29th and oct. 09th, 2012
Main goal are the higher bands these time. Activity on 144 MHz will be only short!
The Team will be ready with following equipment:
144: 9 el 7KF hor./vert. abt. 400W
432: 21 el hor. 120W (400W sometimes)
1296: 62 el hor. 200W (400W sometimes)

Source: tnx to Hermann, DL2NUD, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2012-10-01

LATEST NEWS from Bodo, DF8DX, dated 2012-09-28:
I am sorry but I will not take 2m Equipment this time.
For all that are interested in 23cm EME, please follow the link and fill out what time fits you best.
I try to find the best time to operate.
http://doodle.com/2nhcaiu8nfukdpzu
73 de Bodo, DF8DX

Bodo, DF8DX, qrv from SV9 on HF and 23cm EME
Equipment will be like on my previous DXpeditions IC7000 with transverter (100W) and 59ele yagi.
call: SV9/DF8DX
Grid: KM25 (exact locator will be given later)
IOTA: EU-015
Activity on 23cm EME:
October 2, 2000-2130z (for EU)
October 3, 0400-0600z (for NA)
with backup dates:
October 3, 2030-2200z (for EU)
October 4, 0430-0600z (for NA)
Frequency: TX first on 1296.090MHz / RX on my own echo frequency (just like in CW)

I am one week on SV9 but I would prefer you work me on the suggested times because i want to spend some time with my wife on this vacation and also enjoy some HF (CW only) activity as well
as maybe activity from EU-187. Further skeds on request (if necesary). Check www.mmmonvhf.de for updates.

73 de Bodo, DF8DX

SOURCE: tnx to Bodo, DF8DX, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA ; Spain ; Square: IM59 ; start 2012-10-04

Santarem CT1ARR.org HAM FAIR activity by EAntenna at IM59PG

Will be active in MS and EME with 2 x 144LFA9 and 1KW
HF bands also so one station only to VHF by EA7IQM and EA7JX

SOURCE: tnx to EA7JX direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: EA ; Spain ; Square: IN93 ; start 2012-10-06

ED2T DXPEDITION FOR IARU CONTEST 2012

We will be qrv from IN93ia, 1570m asl.
70cm: 2x 4yagi array + PAs
23cm: 8x long yagi + PA
13cm: 1x long yagi + PA
3cm: 70cm prime focus + 1W

>From this qth we have good take off to central europe and G.

Hope to cu

SOURCE: tnx to ED2T direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1927. [DXNL] DXNL 1800 (Oct 3, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 20:43:34 UTC
From: Fabian Kurz <dj1yfk@darc.de>
Message-ID: <20121003172740.GB21978@ampiainen.fkurz.net>
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3D2, Fiji:
Alex PY2WAS (3D2AS), Orlando PT2OP (3D2OP), Rick PY2PT (3D2PT),
Fred PY2XB (3D2XB) and Faria PY7XC (3D2XC) plan to activate
Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WLOTA 0055) on the HF bands on their
route to their T30PY activity. They will be QRV October 8 - 14.
QSL via home call, direct (preferred) or bureau.

5U, Niger:
Christian, 5U5U (ex TL0A) is QRV from Niamey until October 15.
An October 1st, Paul, F6EXV (5U6E) and Jan, DJ8NK (5U8NK) joined
him. They are now QRV with 3 stations on HF/6m in SSB, CW and
Digimodes. QSL 5U5U only direct to: Christian Saint-Arroman,
Chemin de Mousteguy, 64990 Urcuit, France. QSL 5U6E via F6EXV
(direct, bureau and LoTW; OQRS on ClubLog). QSL 5U8NK via DJ8NK
(direct, bureau and LoTW; OQRS on ClubLog).
http://www.5x2013.com/ http://www.premiumorange.com/5u-2012/

8P, Barbardos:
Richard, G3RWL can be heard as 8P6DR until October 17th.
QSL via Homecall.

9M2, West Malaysia:
Shou, JA1XXI, will sign 9M2/JA1XXI from Port Dickson on 20, 15,
10 and 6m from October 5 to 15.. QSL via Homecall.

CT, Portugal:
Members of the "Portuguese Navy Hamradio Club" (CS5NRA)
will activate the castle S. Bruno, on October 6th.
(WCA: CT-00205, DCFP: F-029, DMHP: LX-35). QSL direct only.

G, England:
From October 7 to 12, the special call GB2BT will be active
from the "Bell Hill Telegraph" near Ibberton in Dorset (EU-005,

WAB ST80). QSL via M0XIG.

In October the ISWL-Club will use the following club calls:
GX4BJC/A Walton on the Naze (WAB, TM22, EU-005, WLOTA 1841) in Essex;
GX4BJC/POP Herbie, G6XOU; MX1SWL/A Hartford in Cambridgeshire
(WAB TL27, EU-005, WLOTA 1841) OP Tom, G3RPV
QSLs via G6XOU, eQSL.
http://www.iswl.org.uk/

HB0, Liechtenstein:
Between October 8 - 14, Frank, PA4N, will be QRV as HB0/PA4N
from 80 - 10m in CW with a focus on Asia and Japan.
Info and updates via Twitter: @frankoppedijk. QSL via Homecall.

JA, Japan:
Members of the "Kodaira-city Amateur Radio Club" (JE1YKR)
from Kodaira in the prefecture Tokyo on Honshu (AS-007,
WLOTA 2376, JCC 1012) celebrate the 50th anniversary of their
city using the special call sign 8N1YKR until November 30th.
QSL via Buero.

From October 6th to November 5th, the special call 8J6BAL
will be QRV from the "Hot Air Balloon International Festival"
in Saga (JCC 4101, JCG 41004) on Kyushu (AS-077, WLOTA 0963) QRV.
QSL via Buero. http://www.sibf.jp/e/

From October 1st to November 4th, 8J1ARK will be QRV on all
bands and modes from the 35th "Japan Three-Day March".
QSL via Buero.
http://www.walking.or.jp/tournament/document/35th-threeday.pdf

8J1KS is on the air to celebrate the 70. jubilee of Kisarazu city
(JCC 1206) in Chiba prefecture on Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376) until
the end of the year. Operation will take place on all bands and in
all modes. QSL via Buero.

Also till December 31 there will be 8J1STGY to celebrate the
80th anniversary of Setagaya city in the Tokyo prefecture on
Honshu island (AS-007, WLOTA 2376). QSL via Buero.

Until November 30 watch out for 8N2100MD, a special call to
celebrate the 100th jubilee of the "Aikodai Meiden High School"
in Nagoya (Aichi prefecture) on Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376JCC 2001)
QSL via Buero.

KH0, Mariana Islands:
Kazuo, JH8PHT, will be QRV as AH0KT from October 4 - 9 from the
rental shack on Saipan (OC-086, USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333, WW Loc.
QK25UF) from 80 - 6m. He'll also try to work 10m AM/FM.
QSL via Homecall, only direct, LoTW.

PA, Netherlands:
At the "London International Radiotelegraphic Convention",

100 years ago, the first official callsign prefixes were assigned.
The special station PB100PREFIX will be QRV in October to remember
this historic event. QSL via PB0P.
http://www.PB100PREFIX.nl

On October 5 - 8, the special event call PH4RTM/WHE will be on
the air on the occasion of the "World Horticultural Expo" (THE
FLORIADE) in Venlo on all bands and modes.
QSL via PH4RTM. http://www.floriade.com

SV, Greece:
The "Radio Amateur Association of Greece" (RAAG) will operate
SX100A from October 5 - 7 on the battleship memorial
"Georgios Averof" in "Trocadero Marine Park" (Paleo Falir,
hear Athens).
QSL via bureau. http://www.raag.org/news.asp?ITMID=428&LANG=EN

T8, Palau:
Kiichi, JF1LUT, will be T88IK from October 5 - 10 from
Arakabesan island (OC-009, WW Loc. PJ77fi) on 17 - 6m in SSB.
QSL via Homecall.

TT, Chad:
From October 3 to 16, Silvano, I2YSB, and the "Italian DXpedition
Team" will be QRV as TT8TT from N'Djamena on 160m-6m in
CW, SSB and RTTY. They'll try to put a focus on working Asia and
the US west coast.
QSL via I2YSB (direkt), IK2CIO (Buero), OQRS.
http://www.i2ysb.com http://bit.ly/NVQaav

VE, Canada:
Until October 28, the special call CG3X remembers the 50th
anniversary of the first Canadian satellite "Alouette".
QSL via VE3JPP.

VK9X, Christmas Island:
Pekka, OH2YY, and Pekka, OH1TV, will be QRV as VK9XM from October 6
to 12 with two stations from 40m to 10m in SSB and CW.
QSL via OH2YY.

W, USA: W4O (October 6/7) is a special callsign to celebrate the
24th annual "Oliver Hardy Festival" in Harlem/Georgia.
QSL via K4KNS.
http://ccarc.hamradioman.com/W4O.html

The "North American QRP CW Club" (NAQCC) celebrates its 8th
anniversary between October 7th and 13th. The soecial calls
N1A, N2A, N3A, N4A, N5A, N6A, N7A and N8A will be on the air
from all over the USA.
http://naqcc.info/

Z8, South Sudan:
Keith, W7DXX, acquired a license as Z88Z and plans to operate

an internet remote transceiver there like he previously did
with YI9DXX.
QSL direct via Homecall, LoTW, eQSL.

ZF, Cayman Islands:
Paul, VE1DX, will be QRV as ZF2TK until August 2013.
QSL via Homecall, direct only.

OPs wanted:
Alfredo, IK7JWY, is organizing a DXpedition to Djerba Island
(AF-083, WLOTA 1394, Tunisia) from April 27 to May 4th 2013 and
is looking for operators (ik7jwx2003[at]yahoo.it).

Contests:

3.10. DIG-Birthday-Contest CW
4.10. DIG-Birthday-Contest SSB
6.10. DARC HF-HELL Contest (80m)
6.10. European Sprint Contest
6./7.10. Oceania DX Contest
6./7.10. 2. Greek Telegraphy Club CW Cup
6./7.10. IARU-Region-1 UHF/Microwaves October Contest
6./7.10. California QSO Party
7.10. ON Contest 80m
7.10. RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest
7.10. DARC HF-HELL Contest (40m)

WAPC

The first "Worked All Provinces of China (WAPC) DX Contest" takes
place on October 6th.
http://qrz.com/db/BA7IO
http://www.mulandxc.org/?page_id=2

GTC CW Cup website
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http://www.raag.org/displayITM1.asp?ITMID=516&LANG=EN

Silent Key:

Michael Owen, VK3KI, president of the "Wireless Institute of
Australia" and president of the IARU-Region III passed away
on September 22nd.

The chairman of the "Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society" (EARS) Sid
T. May, ET3SID passed away on September 25. He was a founding
member of EARS in 1993.

On September 26, Goran Savic, YT2A, died in a plane crash in
Belgrad. As a Serbian Air Force Major he was on a routine training
mission when the accident happened. His colleague ejected from the
plane while Goran stayed inside to sacrifice himself - not hitting

houses and people. He saved many lives.

Our condolences to their family and friends. We don't want to be sad
that we lost them; we want to be thankful that we had them as friends.
We will always remember them.

IOTA: Compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (E-Mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities

AF-027 FH; Mayotte Island: Sam/F6AML will be QRV as TO2M from October
4 to 19 on Mayotte Island (DIFO FH-001, WLOTA 0376, LOC LH27OE)
from 80 to 10m in CW and SSB. QSL via F6AML (d/B).

AS-101; HS; Malay Peninsula East group: Eddy/ON4AFU will, from October
7 - 24, be QRV from Koh Samui (WLOTA 1384) using the call HS0ZJF/8
on 40 - 10m only in CW. QSL via ON4AFU (d/B).
http://www.on4afu.net

AS-190; HZ; Red Sea Coast North (Tabuk Province) group: A team
consisting of Badar/HZ1BF, Abdul/7Z1CQ, Suli/7Z1SJ, Mohamad/HZ1MD,
Abdullah/HZ1BW, Hani/HZ1HN, Abdullah/HZ1AR, Abdul/HZ1DG,
Firas/HZ1FS and Nhaw/HZ1TL, is planning a DXpedition to Al-Dhahrah
Island. It's the first activation of this group. As 7Z7AB they
will be QRV from October 5 to 11 on 160-10m in SSB, CW and RTTY.
QSL via 7Z1CQ. OQRS will be set up. http://www.dxtool.com/7z7ab/

EU-015; SV9; Crete Island: Andreas/DL9USA spends his holidays on Crete
from October 5 - 15 and will be on the HF bands as SW9C.
QSL via DL9USA (d/B).
http://www.dl9usa.de/

EU-038; PA; Noord Holland/ Friesland/ Groningen Province group:
Ben/DO1BEN will be QRV PD/DO1BEN from October 8 to 14 from
Texel Island (WLOTA 0043, LOC JO23KD). Main activities will
be in the digital modes and a little SSB on the HF bands.
QSL via Homecall (d/B)
http://www.do1ben.de/index.php?page=texel-island-eu-038

EU-114; GU/MU; Guernsey group: GP0PKT/p will be the call sign of
the "Martello Tower Group", Keith/G6NHU, Tony/G0MBA, Yan/M0YNK,
Colin/M1EAK, Chris/M6GSD and Richard/G7HJK on their DXpedition to
Herm Island (WW Loc. IN89sl). From October 5 - 7 they will be
active on all bands and modes. QSL via GP0PKT (B) / G6NHU (d).
http://www.martellotowergroup/gp0pkt

EU-129; DL/SP1; Usedom Island: Between October 7 and 14, Peter
DK2RMP/p will be QRV from Usedom (GIA O-13, WLOTA 1640, DLFF-075).
QSL via Homecall (d/B).

EU-171; OZ; Jylland North group: Mike/DG5LAC and Petra/DB1LPS
will visit Vendsyssel-Thy (DIA NJ-001) from October 6 to 12,
using the call sign OZ/DG5LAC on the HF bands. QSL via DG5LAC (d/B).

The log will be uploaded to LotW and eQSL after the activity.

EU-172; OZ; Jylland East and Fyn group: Harry/PA1H and Nico/PA7PA
will be on the air from Lango Island (DIA FY-025), October 4 to 12,
as OZ/Homecall. Their focus will be on 30m in the digital modes.
QSL via Homecall (d/B).

NA-063; CY0; Sable Island: Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK are planning
their third journey to Sable Island (CIsA NS004, WFF CYFF-001, WLOTA
0758). Between October 8 and 17 they'll use homecall/CY0 on the
HF bands with low power and simple antennas. OQRS will be available
at http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

NA-124; XE2; Baja California Sur State South East group:
Felix/XE2I, Saul/XE2HQI, Tony/XE2HVF, Enrique/XE2AA, Fred/KG6HGK,
Norma/XE2JNE, Craig/XE2HWJ, Ana/XE2IHA, Jose/KD6AFA and
Manuel/XE2HUQ are planning to be QRV as XF1F from October 7 - 13
from Isla San Francisco. It's the first activation of this island.
They will work on the HF bands in all modes. QSL via XE2HUQ.

NA-143; W5; Texas State East (Matagorda to Jefferson County) group:
On October 5 - 7, Joe/K5KUA will again be active from Galveston
Island as K5KUA/5 on 30-10m in CW only. QSL via K5KUA (d/B).

Non-IOTA:
Members of the "Delmarva Island Hoppers" plan to activate
Middle Island (USi DE016, Not IOTA, LOC FM28KO) as N3NAH and
Massey Island (USi DE014, Not IOTA, LOC FM28KP) as W3TL on
October 6th. QSL via QRZ.COM.

Calendar
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1. - 5. October 3A/G0VJG 1799
8. - 14. October 3D2AS.. 1800*
24September-5October 3D2C 1798
1August-28October 3Z70ZK 1791
until 31. December 4O60GBP 1790
until 20. September 4S7HBG.. 1798
September 5B/G3RWF 1795
23.09.-13.10. 5H1HS 1798
2. - 27. October 5H2DK 1799
8October-15December 5H3NP 1798
until 15. October 5U5U.. 1800*
until 2014 5Z4EE 1753/1772/1799
2012 6D0LM 1774
24September-4October 6V7X 1798
until 31. December 7T50I.. 1788
05.10.-11.10. 7Z7AB 1800*
until 31. October 8J0WAZA 1780

1October-4November 8J1ARK 1800*
until 31. December 8J1KS 1800*
until 31. March 2013 8J1MBR 1788
until 31. December 8J1MST 1779
until 31. March 2013 8J1SPY 1788
until 31. December 8J1STGY 1800*
until 30. September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751
until 3. November 8J2YDU 1794
until 21. October 8J4HAM 1974
until 10. November 8J4MANGA 1794
until 11. November 8J4SINWA 1794
until 31. December 8J50YAX 1794
6October-5November 8J6BAL 1800*
until 31. December 8J6O 1773
until 31. December 8J6OKAJO 1788
until 16. October 8J7NPMG 1799
until 31. October 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
until 31. December 8N1TDU 1780
until 30. November 8N1YKR 1800*
until 30. November 8N2100MD 1800*
until ca. 17. October 8P6DR 1800*
unknown 8Q7HA 1796
29.09.-06.10. 9A8OK 1799
unknown 9G5ZS 1795
unknown 9J2JA 1796
until 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
5. - 15. October 9M2/JA1XXI 1800*
until October 2014 9V1RM 1751
until September 2013 A52SV 1752
08.10.-17.10. AA4VK/CY0 1800*
01.10.-04.10. BA4TB/4 1799
01.10.-04.10. BD4TJ/4 1799
01.10.-04.10. BD4TQ/4 1799
01.10.-04.10. BD4TR/4 1799
01.10.-04.10. BG4TVT/4 1799
27September-7 October BY1WXD/0 1799
until end of 2013 C91IW 1787
until 28. October CG3X 1800*
until 31. December CN2YZ 1771
16.09.-04.10. CR3L 1798/1799
6. October CS5NRA 1800*
20.09.-04.10. CT9/DJ3IW 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/DJ6QT 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/DK1MM 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/DK1QH 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/DK4QT 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/DL1YFF 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/DM3BJ 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/E73Y 1798
20.09.-04.10. CT9/S56A 1798

until end of 2012 CY0/VE1AWW 1784
until Mai 2013? D2SG 1748/1780
until 31. December DA0LSW 1785
07.10.-14.10. DK2RMP/p 1800*
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
until 13. January 2013 DL125HHZ 1778
01January-31December DL1630Y 1760
until 31. December DL250COAL 1779
01January-31December DM100MGY 1763
01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763
until 31. December DM800ANH 1767
until February 2013 DP0GVN 1756
until 31. December DP87SIXD 1792
until January 2013 DQ0STRATEX 1770
until 31. December DQ125HSB 1763/1784
until 31. December DR50DTANGO 1791
until 31. December E720RS 1770
30.9. - 6.10. EA8/DL7VOA 1799
1January-31December EI80IRTS 1763/1788
27.09.-03.10. F6BAX/p 1799
until 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
2.10.-8.11. FO/F6BCW.. 1799
until end of September GB0PGY 1797
7. - 12. October GB2BT 1800*
until 30. September GB39RC 1798
until 31. December GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
September GO4BJC/A.. 1796
05.10.-07.10. GP0PKT/p 1800*
October GX4BJC/A .. 1800*
until spaet 2013 H44RK 1793
until 31. December HA50ZH 1780
8. - 14. October HB0/PA4N 1800*
1. - 19. October HF28JP 1799
until September 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
07.10.-24.10. HS0ZJF/8 1800*
01January-31December II6LN 1763
until Jul 2013 J28UC 1734
until August 2014 J28NC 1796
until March 2013 JX9JKA 1769/1773
05.10.-07.10. K5KUA/5 1800*
until 2013 KG4AJ 1756
until June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
until March 2013 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
laengerfristig KP2/NQ3X 1799
7. - 13. October N1A.. 1800*
06.10. N3NAH 1800*
Resident OD5RW 1799
21.09.-29.09. OZ/DG0OGM 1799
06.10.-12.10. OZ/DG5LAC 1800*

29.09.-05.10. OZ/DG7LAC 1799
04.10.-12.10. OZ/PA1H 1800*
October P40Z 1799
4. - 31. October PB100PREFIX 1800*
08.10.-14.10. PD/DO1BEN 1800*
5. - 8. October PH4RTM/WHE 1800*
01.10.-01.11. PJ6/G4IUF 1799
until early October RA0SS/0 1798
until 31. December S555E.. 1772
01.10.-07.10. SV9/DF8DX 1799
05.10.-15.10. SW9C 1800*
5. - 7. October SX100A 1800*
5. - 10. October T88IK 1800*
until 31. December TC50TRAC.. 1770
until 31. December TM210VH 1770
until 31. December TM70TRS 1763
04.10.-19.10. TO2M 1800*
3. - 16. October TT8TT 1800*
until November 2014 V73NS 604/1668/1752
22September-6October VK2IR.. 1798*
6. - 12. October VK9XM 1800*
until mid November VQ9JC 1755/1793
06.10. W3TL 1800*
6. - 7. October W4O 1800*
08.10.-17.10. WA4DAN/CY0 1800*
until Mai 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
07.10.-13.10. XF1F 1800*
unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
unknown Z81A.. 1798
unknown Z88Z 1800*
27September-3October ZA/OL8R.. 1799
unknown ZD9KX 1795
27.09.-04.10. ZD9UW 1799
until 12. August 2013 ZF2TK 1800*
until 2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or upated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3D2AS via PY2WAS (B)
3D2OP via PT2OP (B)
3D2PT via PY2PT (B)
3D2XB via PY2XB (B)
3D2XC via PY7XC (B)
4S7DOG via JG3DOG (B)
4S7LSG via JA1CJA
4S7QHG via JR3QHQ (B)
5B/G8DX via G8DX
5H1HS/3 via DL7VSN (B)

5U5U (d)
5U6E via F6EXV (B), (L), OQRS
5U8NK via DJ8NK (B), (L), OQRS
6V7X via 4L5A (d)
7Z7AB via 7Z1CQ
8J1ARK (B)
8J1KS (B)
8J1STGY (B)
8J6BAL (B)
8N1YKR (B)
8N2100MD (B)
8P2K via KU9C (B)
8P6DR via G3RWL (B)
9M2/JA1XXI via JA1XXI
9N7LX via DL1ELX
AA4VK/CY0 via AA4VK
AH0KT via JH8PHT (d), (L)
AH0KY via JA1MFR
BV2A/4 via BV2A (B)
CG3X via VE3JPP (B)
CR2X via OH2BH (B)
CR2X via OH2BH (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CS5NRA (d)
GX4BJC/a via G6XOU (B), eQSL
GX4BJC/p via G6XOU (B), eQSL
HA22WFF via HA6PJ
PH4RTM/WHE via PH4RTM
HF35ZSEIT via SP4PXX
HG1912PTT via HA5AUC
HQ2N via EA5GL (d), (L)
HS0ZJF/8 via ON4AFU (B)
HS8JYX via HS8FLU (d)
I1ASU/IM0 via I1ASU
II9P via IT9CHU, (L)
K5KUA/5 via K5KUA (B)
KL7/SP5EWX via SP5EWX
LS1D via AC7DX (d)
MT0SCG via M0SCG (B)
MX1SWL/a via G6XOU (B), eQSL
N1A as specified by OP
N2A as specified by OP
N3A as specified by OP
N4A as specified by OP
N5A as specified by OP
N6A as specified by OP
N7A as specified by OP
N8A as specified by OP
NH2T via W2YC (d)
ON4ANL via ON5SWA

OO2O via ON4LDI
OZ/DG5LAC via DG5LAC (B)
OZ/DL5ASE via DL5ASE (B)
OZ/PA1H via PA1H (B)
OZ/PA7PA via PA7PA (B)
PB100PREFIX via PB0P
PD/DO1BEN via DO1BEN (B)
RI1FJ via UA2FM (B)
S55CERKNO via S50E
SN35ZSEIT via SP4PXX
SP9YFF/p via SQ9IDG (B)
SW9C via DL9USA (B)
SX100A (B)
T88IK via JF1LUT (B)
TM125CCAE via F6FMT (B), eQSL
TM41LUC via F4MBZ
TM55REF via F6KUP (B), F5LPY (d)
TO2M via F6AML (B)
TT8TT via I2YSB (di), IK2CIO (B), OQRS
V63MJ via W5MJ (B)
VE1WFF via VE1WT
VK9XM via OH2YY (B)
VK9XS via JA1PBV (B)
VR2/UA3QNS via UA3QNS (d)
W4O via K4KN
WA4DAN/CY0 via WA4DAN
XF1F via XE2HUQ
YB9/DJ7XJ via OZ7XJ
Z60K via G3TXF (B)
Z88Z via W7DXX (d), (L), eQSL
ZA/OK1FCJ via OK1DRQ (B)
ZF2TK via VE1DX (d)
ZP5TNT via EA5GL (d)

(d) = direct only (B) = Bureau ok
(*) = new Manager (L) = LoTW

* QSL received direct: CY9M (OQRS, M0URX), HD2A
* QSL received by LoTW: FO4BM, RI1ANF (S. Shetland), T6MO

* QSL received via bureau:
3XY1D (DL7DF), 5N6/YL2SW, 5X1NH (G3RWF), 6W/DL2AWG, 9X0PY
(SM6CPY), AA3B, BV100 (BV2KI), DM800ANH, DP3LUNA (DK1PM), EG7MJ
(EA/NL), EM20L (US0LW), ET3AA (US0LW), FG/DK9PY, FG4NN (NI5DX),
FJ/OS1T, FP/W6HGF, HH2/PY3SB (PY2WC), J69MV, JA2KSI, JW8DW
(LA8DW), JY4NE (K3IR), K0SR, K1ZZ, K3ZO, K4T (K5WW), K8CW, KH2L
(W3HNK), KP2/N1WON, N1SV, OA1F, PG6HK (PD2J), PJ2/DJ9ON,
PJ2/PA7JWC, PJ2T (W3HNK), PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4A (K4BAI), PJ7E, S29DO
(DL5RDO), S79UFT (F6AXX), T70A, TF8SM (N5FTR), TJ3FC (F5LGE),
TJ3IC (F5LGE), UR4CW, V5/DH3WO, V5/DM3BJ, VK9GMW (HA7RY), VP2MXF
(G3TXF), VP5/N1WON, VP6T (G3TXF), VQ5D (K8ESQ), W0IN, W1HQ,

WA8UEG, XV4YY (DH7WW), YJ0TXF (G3TXF), Z21LS (DE1ZHB), ZD7XF
(G3TXF), ZF1A (K6AM), ZS1CTL (K3IRV), ZS2DL (NI5DX)

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1928. eHam.net News for Wednesday 3 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-03 22:06:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc063e6b77904cb2ed7cb@google.com>
Source record: 1945
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hamfest Unites Amateur Radio Enthusiasts:

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29071

SEVIERVILLE -- Amateur radio operators from around the country could finally put faces to voices at the 13th annual Ten-Tec Hamfest held Friday and Saturday. The two-day event drew over 1,000 people from nearby counties and elsewhere in the nation, according to Jim Wharton, vice president of Ten-Tec. "Basically, Hamfest is a way for us to give back to the community," Wharton said. "It's an open house, we have tours that go on, we show our products, and we have a flea market out here that's free admission." Ten-Tec primarily builds amateur, or ham, radio equipment, which it sells directly to the consumer. "Every year we try to announce some new products, and we hold a forum where our engineering manager and one of our salesmen talk to costumers about what new products they'd like to see," Wharton said. "It's a way for us to get feedback from our customers, to talk about new products and new features and how they would work."

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Ham Radio Enthusiasts Demonstrate Emergency Skills:

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29070

Robert Fairfield and Richard Haworth have hobbies that could be critical during a national emergency. Members of the West Valley Amateur Radio Club, the ham radio operators were in Surprise Park on Saturday demonstrating how their radio stations operate as part of National Emergency Preparedness Month sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. "It's a great hobby, but you can also do some good and help out, too," Fairfield said. The WVARC, which has 130 members, has backed up Banner Boswell and Del Webb medical centers for years with emergency communications and participates with both hospitals in their Homeland Security drills. Haworth, who lives in Sun City, said club members participate in national emergency drills every six months. "Today's drill gives us the ability to practice specifically if there is an emergency," he said. "And many times we take calls from our own homes."

1929. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 3 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-04 02:23:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234341b45dbc04cb3270f9@google.com>
Source record: 1946
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Madison County ham radio operators to simulate countywide emergency
Saturday - al.com (blog)

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 01:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFx4CMPZrchu-hJ1WaG7ZGJY568rA&url=http:
//blog.al.com/breaking/2012/10/madison_county_ham_radio_opera.html

al.com (blog)
Madison County ham radio operators to simulate countywide emergency Saturday
al.com (blog)
ham radio.jpg Amateur radio operator Alan Sieg, WB5RMG relaying information
to the emergency operations center from a temporary medical clinic
established by the North Alabama Medical Reserve Corps at the Sparkman
Ninth Grade School in the ...

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Hamfest unites amateur radio enthusiasts - The Mountain Press

Posted: 01 Oct 2012 09:48 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH8xvvOOcSzjugQNIzouQCGW8tN2w&url=http:
//themountainpress.com/view/full_story/20321829/article--Hamfest-unites-amateur-radio-enth
usiasts-?instance%3Dhomeleftlocal1_top_stories_bull

Hamfest unites amateur radio enthusiasts
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and we hold a forum where our engineering manager and one of our salesmen
talk to costumers about ...

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ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian Award - ARRL

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 05:54 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFNYFQv37i0-GzllYB3N2pyGKdUFQ&url=http:
//www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2012-international-humanitarian-award

ARRL
ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian Award
ARRL
The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs
who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times
of crisis or disaster. As one of the few telecommunication services that

allow people throughout the ...

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Radio group offers broadcast experience to students - Oklahoma Daily

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 07:31 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEnSU2cy5rglVDsWpsluwIPhQvPYA&url=http://www.oudaily.com/news/2012/oct/02/radiogroup/

Radio group offers broadcast experience to students
Oklahoma Daily
The group encourages students to participate in the amateur radio community by providing access to the National Weather Centers ham radio equipment, which is of a much high caliber than the cheaper hand-held or mobile devices, said Connor Keef, ...

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LETTER: Handheld Driving Exception - Hartford Courant

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 04:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHpEAteW1LQqqAuotYJrAu3jMmRFQ&url=http://www.courant.com/news/opinion/letters/hcrs-9244hc--20121002,0,2699580.story

Hartford Courant
LETTER: Handheld Driving Exception
Hartford Courant
I was surprised at one of the new laws described in a story Monday [Oct. 1, news, "Host Of New Laws"]. It was titled "Ham Radio Operators," and stated: "Licensed ham radio operators are exempt from the ban on using hand-held mobile devices while ...

1930. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 4 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-04 06:22:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51a8afc16781f04cb35c9c0@google.com>
Source record: 1947
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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60th Anual Rock Hill Hamfest

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 03:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363508-60th-Anual-Rock-Hill-Hamfest&goto=newpost

Hundreds of people will be going to The Rock Hill Hamfest which is happening on Oct. 6th 2012. Brought to you by the York County Amateur Radio Society, this is our 60th big year. Located at Faith Assembly of Rock Hill, 2800 Faith Blvd., Rock Hill, SC 29730 Behind Pets Mart and Home Depot off Cherry Road. Gates open at 7:00am. For more info go to www.rockhillhamfest.com

Tailgating $5.00 per spot

Admission $5.00

Talk in on 147.030 (neg offset PL Tone 88.5)

Hope to see you there!

1931. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 4 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-04 11:07:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93403937cdf4b04cb39c116@google.com>
Source record: 1948
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS contact planned with school in Luxemburg

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_KCs-UmJoG0/ariss_event_0810.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Monday October 8, 2012 at 10.47 UTC, which is 12.47 CEST, an ARISS contact is planned with St George's International School, Luxemburg

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ISS CubeSats planned to deploy today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/38XQMrxWZNU/iss_cubesats_planned_to_deploy_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first two planned deployments of the amateur radio ISS CubeSats were postponed, the third is planned for today. A live web broadcast of the CubeSat deployment should commence on Thursday, October 4 at about 1400 UT (3:00pm BST)

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Campbell Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NABFvG2hjvA/campbell_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Thanks for your continued interest in ZL9HR Campbell Island DXpedition. We're making great progress during the planning and preparation phases. The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia members and the local ham community have pitched in to make this DXpedition a reality

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/y3V8Jq-Vi8c/october_04.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A most spectacular week the like of which we haven't heard for a while. To conserve space ten (10) or more contacts were needed to get into the list during the week rising to fifteen (15) at the weekend. The average per day was over 4000 contacts. Lets hope it continues. Most popular were 3D2C

(Conway Reef) and FO4BM (French Polynesia) with W3LPL on the spotting. Wall to wall DX everywhere

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FITSAT-1 - signal reports requested

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CRmpXqDruE8/fitsat1_signal_reports_requested.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As well as a 437.250 MHz CW beacon, the amateur radio CubeSat FITSAT-1 (aka NIWAKA) will carry an Optical Communications experiment that aims to write Morse Code across the night sky

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Taking Ham Radio Public

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XmYVgOgzgUE/taking_ham_radio_public.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gary KN4AQ talks to Ed Tyler N4EDT, the Public Information Coordinator (PIC) for the Alabama section of ARRL, about how and why to talk to the public - typically the media - about Ham Radio

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Symposium hotel booking due October 6

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G-8dfSVWDxM/symposium_hotel_booking_due_october_6.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is a reminder that October 6 is the closing date for booking your room at the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium and Annual General Meeting

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Ham Radio on BBC Arena - Tuning In (1994)

Posted: http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZlwmaRAlcAw/ham_radio_on_bbc_arena_tuning_in.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows a 24-minute segment of the 1994 BBC2 TV show Arena that features Amateur Radio

1932. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 4 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-04 16:28:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010e8359e746204cb3e3fb1@google.com>
Source record: 1949
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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TO9R Martinique Island

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 11:49 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363684-TO9R-Martinique-Island&goto=newpost

S53R will be active from Martinique Island in CQ WW DX SSB Contest 27-28
October 2012 as TO9R

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...sland_fm-s53r/

73 Al 4L5A

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W6SFM in the CA QSO PARTY

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 02:32 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363631-W6SFM-in-the-CA-QSO-PARTY&goto=newpost

W6SFM, the Samuel F. Morse Amateur Radio Club, will be participating in the
CA QSO Party Oct. 6&7. All operations will be in CW. We hope to see you
in the CW bands 80-10 meters! 73!

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2012 Cumming Greek Festival Special Event Station

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 09:01 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363588-2012-Cumming-Greek-Festival-Special-Event-Stat
ion&goto=newpost

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the Cumming Greek festival.

More details available here:
http://sawneeradio.com/wp-content/up...ival-Flyer.pdf

Stop by and check us out!! Or, listen for us on the General portion of
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Saints Raphael, Nicholas and Irene Greek Orthodox Church

announces its 2012 Cumming Greek Festival

An entertaining Greek village will be found on the 15 acre church
property off Bethelview Road in South Forsyth County. The scent and
sounds of authentic Greek food and live music will fill the air. Plenty
of shopping, shade and seating available. Come join in the fun!

Talk in Frequency: 147.150+ PL 141.3 TSQL

Sts. R.N.I. Cumming Greek Festival -- 3074 Bethelview Road Cumming, GA
30040 Tel. 770-781-5250

http://www.cumminggreekfestival.com/

Fri. October 19th 3pm - 10pm

Sat. October 20th 11am - 10pm

Sun. October 21st 11:30am - 6pm

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==> + IARU NEWS: PETER LAKE, ZL2AZ, APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF IARU REGION 3

The Directors in IARU Region 3 have voted to appoint Peter Lake,
ZL2AZ, of Wellington, New Zealand, as the Chairman of IARU Region 3. He
replaces Michael Owen, VK3KI, who passed away unexpectedly last month.
Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia,
had served as Region 3 Chairman since 2006. "I am extremely grateful to
my fellow Directors for their support in this difficult time, and for
the procedural work by [IARU Region 3] Secretary Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP,
to formalize an appointment," Lake said in a statement. "I will do my
best to carry through all the work that we have in progress, much of it
due to items and ideas put in place by Michael. It is my privilege to
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have the opportunity to serve you, the Member Societies and fellow amateurs in Region 3." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/peter-lake-zl2az-appointed-chairman-of-iaru-region-3>.

==> + ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster. As one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2012-international-humanitarian-award>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF QST

Ever since the dawn of civilization, man has looked to the heavens and pondered his existence. Thousands of years later, we still look to the stars, but with radio, the stars seem a little closer. The November issue of QST features a group of middle school students from Arizona who reached for the stars with a high-altitude balloon launch and a QSO with the International Space Station. Join them on their adventure as you delve into the latest issue of QST.

Kaci Heins, KF7RCV, is a sixth grade teacher in Flagstaff, Arizona. In addition to her teaching duties, she leads the Space Spartans, an after-school science club. In her article "Reaching for the Stars with Radio," Heins tells how she used Amateur Radio -- including a high-altitude balloon launch with a repeater and a radio telescope project -- to capture her students' imaginations, both in and out of the classroom. Many states have laws against using cell phones in your car, making it illegal to talk or text behind the wheel. But what about using your mobile rig while driving? In his article "Distracted Driving and Amateur Radio -- A Civil (Law) Perspective," ARRL Volunteer Counsel John Swartz, WA9AQN, points out that operating mobile isn't just a legislative issue.

Amateur Radio clubs are always looking for projects they can do together. In his article "A Club Project -- Automatic Mobile Power Control," Jim Cook, W8WKE, details a simple and inexpensive APRS group project to give hams a way to experience the thrill of the workbench. With the advent of computers with built-in sound cards, the digital modes have gained popularity. Thomas W. Brooks, KE1R, has always been

fascinated -- and mystified -- by PSK31. In his article "PSK31 -- A Different View," Brooks found a way to not only hear the PSK31 tones, but to see them, too.

ARRL Contributing Editor H. Ward Silver, N0AX, takes a look at the Array Solutions AIMuhf vector impedance analyzer in this month's Product Review. He says this accessory "offers reflection and impedance-only measurements for dedicated and popular measurement functions. The host software creates easy-to-read displays and easy-to-use pre-programmed functions." ARRL Test Engineer Bob Allison, WB1GCM, checked out the DZKit HT-7 40 meter AM handheld transceiver, saying that it "is a fully functional single channel, crystal controlled 40 meter AM handheld transceiver kit that is fun to build and fun to operate. Users must accept the challenges of making contacts with low power and limited antennas while portable."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and have come to expect in the November QST: Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor is In, Short Takes, Technical Correspondence, Vintage Radio, How's DX? and more, including lots of new books and products. Look for your November issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join, or to renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> + SILENT KEY: GORAN SAVIC, YT2A, KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

While on a routine training mission, Serbian Air Force Major Goran Savic, YT2A, was killed trying to direct his plane away from a residential area in Nova Pazova, Serbia. According to Nova Pazova Municipal President Dorde Radinovic, the plane crashed into the yard of a private house. Due to Savic's skill in maneuvering the aircraft, there were no casualties on the ground. "The aircraft went down between two structures, Radinovic explained to B92 <http://www.b92.net/eng/news/society-article.php?yyyy=2012&mm&dd=26&nav_id=82361>,
a Serbian news outlet. "One pilot ejected, while the other made an effort until the last moment (before ejecting) not to hit a house in this residential area. Once the plane stopped, there was no explosion either." According to B92, Savic was found close to his plane and was in serious condition when medical teams reached him. He later died at the hospital. Savic's co-pilot, Lieutenant Colonel Tomislav Becagovic, managed to jump out of the aircraft before impact and survived the crash.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: THE WEATHER CHANNEL TO BEGIN NAMING WINTER STORMS

Beginning this winter, The Weather Channel will begin naming what it calls "noteworthy winter storms." As The Weather Channel explained on its website, "[a] storm with a name is easier to follow, which will mean fewer surprises and more preparation. In addition to providing information about significant winter storms by referring to them by

name, the name itself will make communication and information sharing in the constantly expanding world of social media much easier." Unlike the National Hurricane Center -- which has named tropical storms and hurricanes since the 1940s -- the National Weather Service does not name winter storms. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-weather-channel-to-begin-naming-winter-storms> <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-weather-channel-to-begin-naming-winter-storms>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of September -- takes a look at how the ARRL is laying the groundwork for its 100th birthday celebration, planning for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference, Section Manager training at ARRL Headquarters, operations approved for DXCC credit, improvements to W1AW, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-50>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: ATTENTION KIT BUILDERS -- THE ARRL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful, educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more advanced projects. We are looking all sorts of kits, but RF detector kits that work in the 380 MHz-2.5 GHz range are of special interest. The kits should also have a "Wow, I built this and it works!" factor. If you know of such a kit, please let us know by filling out a simple form here <http://www.arrl.org/technology> by October 31.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: A coronal mass ejection (CME) hit the Earth on September 30, causing a jump in geomagnetic indices. The planetary A index on October 1 was 31, while the K index went as high as 7, making aurora visible across the northern tier of the United States. The far-northern latitude college A index was 23 (near Fairbanks, Alaska), about the same as the mid-latitude index -- which was 21 -- in Fredericksburg, Virginia. It is common during a geomagnetic disturbance to see indices go much higher toward the poles than anywhere else. The average daily sunspot numbers declined 8.3 points to 73, while the average daily solar flux was off exactly 1 point to 128.7. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF has solar flux on October 4-7 at 110, 105 on October 8, 100 on October 9-11, 115 on October 12-13, 120 on October 14, and then rising to a peak of 150 on October 20. The same forecast has solar flux rebounding to 150 on November 16 after reaching a minimum of 110 on November 4-5. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on October 4-14, then 8, 12 and 10 on October 15-17, 5 on October 18-25, 10 on October 26, and then reaching a peak of 15 on October 29. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, September 28. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical

Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: THOMAS SCHAEFER, NY4I, WINS SEPTEMBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the August QST Cover Plaque award is Thomas Schaefer, NY4I, for his article "Your Antenna is on Fire!" Congratulations Thomas! The QST Cover Plaque Award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the October issue today.

==> MFJ CELEBRATES 40TH ANNIVERSARY

In October 1972, Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, started MFJ in a hotel room in Starkville, Mississippi. 40 years later, MFJ Enterprises <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/> consists of six different ham radio companies that manufacture more than 2000 products. To celebrate this milestone, MFJ will host ARRL Day in the Park <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/dayinpark.php> this weekend (October 6-7) at McKee Park <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/> in Starkville. An ARRL-sanctioned event, ARRL Day in the Park will feature tours of the MFJ facilities (including the factory and metal shop), tailgating, forums, demonstrations and lunch -- all at no cost to attendees. Special Event Station K5MFJ <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/dayinpark_event.php> will also be on the air. ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, and ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, will represent the ARRL. Click here <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/dayinpark.php> to go to the ARRL Day in the Park website.

==> ARRL HQ SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR QST TECHNICAL EDITOR

The League is currently looking to fill the position of QST Technical Editor at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. Connecticut residency or the ability to relocate to Connecticut is required. The QST Technical Editor will provide leadership to the technical Amateur Radio community by developing and promulgating a vision of the state of the Amateur Radio art through the pages of QST.

Qualifications:

- Broad knowledge of and experience with Amateur Radio and electronics.
- Broad knowledge of and experience with the design and construction of Amateur Radio equipment, antennas and accessories.
- Broad knowledge of and experience with Amateur Radio software.
- A bachelor or graduate college degree, preferably in a technical field. Exceptional related work history can be substituted for a degree.
- A minimum of three years of writing or editing experience.
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively and productively with a

variety of people.
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office, especially Word and Excel.
- An Amateur Extra class license.

Click here <http://www.arrl.org/employment-opportunities> for more information and an application. To apply, please send your cover letter and resume via e-mail <mlevesque@arrl.org?subject=Technical20Position>, or complete the application, print it out and mail it with your resume and cover letter to Monique Levesque, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. You can also fax your application, cover letter and resume to 860-594-0298. Please include your salary history and salary requirements. The ARRL is an equal opportunity employer.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- October 5 -- NCCC Sprint
- October 5-7 -- YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest
- October 6 -- TARA PSK Rumble Contest; EU Autumn Sprint (SSB)
- October 6-7 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>; California QSO Party; EPC Russia DX Contest; Oceania DX Contest (SSB); WAB HF Phone Contest
- October 7 -- UBA ON Contest (SSB)
- October 10 -- 10-10 International 10-10 Day Sprint; NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- October 10-11 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- October 12 -- NCCC Sprint
- October 13 -- EU Autumn Sprint (CW); FISTS Fall Sprint
- October 13-14 -- Arizona QSO Party; Pennsylvania QSO Party; Makrothen RTTY Contest; Oceania DX Contest (CW); QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party; Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB)
- October 14 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); SKCC Weekend Sprintathon

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO FUN: NEW QUICKSTATS NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

- Have you built a project using an Arduino microcontroller?
- Do you subscribe to any Amateur Radio e-mail lists (reflectors)?

- Do you prefer extended conversations on the air, or short contacts?
- Was public service the primary motivation for getting your Amateur Radio license?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the January 2013 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> AMATEUR ASTRONOMY GROUP SOLICITS PAPERS FOR NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE

The Society of Amateur Radio Astronomers (SARA <http://www.radio-astronomy.org/>) -- an organization for those interested in radio astronomy -- is soliciting papers for presentation at its 2013 Western Regional Conference <http://www.radio-astronomy.org/node/394>, February 9-10, 2013 in Socorro, New Mexico. Papers on radio astronomy hardware, software, education, research strategies, observations and philosophy are welcome. SARA members or supporters wishing to present a paper should e-mail <westernconference@radio-astronomy> a letter of intent, including a proposed title and informal abstract or outline no later than December 1, 2012 (please inform SARA if more time is needed). Be sure to include your full name, affiliation, postal address and e-mail address, and indicate your willingness to attend the conference to present your paper. Submitters will receive a response via e-mail, typically within one week. Formal printed Proceedings will be published for this conference and all presentations can be made available on CD.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- October 6-7 -- ARRL Day in the Park <http://www.arrlmiss.org/>, Starkville, Mississippi
- October 7 -- ARRL Connecticut State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/connecticut-state-convention-nutmeg-hamfest>, Meriden, Connecticut
- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>, Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>, Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>, Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest-computer-expo-1>, Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes

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Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
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- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
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Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
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Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
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Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
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- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
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Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
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- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
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Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
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- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
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- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
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Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

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switches, Philips EGC relays, HH Smith spacers, AMP/Tyco AMPMODU
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1935. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 4 October 2012

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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio license prep class is Saturday at ERAU - Prescott Daily
Courier

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Amateur radio license prep class is Saturday at ERAU
Prescott Daily Courier
A one-day class to prepare interested people for the Technician level amateur radio license will be from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU), 3700 Willow Creek Road, Prescott, in room 103 of the ...

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Anacapa School to Host Live Q&A with International Space Station
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LETTER: Handheld Driving Exception - Hartford Courant

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LETTER: Handheld Driving Exception
Hartford Courant
I was surprised at one of the new laws described in a story Monday [Oct. 1, news, "Host Of New Laws"]. It was titled "Ham Radio Operators," and

stated: "Licensed ham radio operators are exempt from the ban on using hand-held mobile devices while ...

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Reaching for the stars: Students use ham radio to talk to space station (with ... - Chattanooga Times Free Press

Posted: 21 Sep 2012 09:05 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFEpTwDj2oQAyyZQhoydtw5gTuYxQ&url=http://www.timesfreepress.com/news/2012/sep/22/reaching-for-the-stars-students-use-ham-radio/

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LaFayette Middle School students spoke with astronauts onboard the International Space Station on Friday morning as the station flew over the region. The event was organized by the Rambler Radio Club, the schools amateur radio operation organization, ...
LaFayette Middle School talks to International Space StationWDEF News 12

all 2 news articles

1936. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 5 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-05 06:46:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301d4070ddf8cc04cb4a3b57@google.com>
Source record: 1853
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Ham Radio Hoarder

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 11:09 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363681-Ham-Radio-Hoarder&goto=newpost

well folks i just came across this video and it's quite funny and wanted to share with my fellow hams... please have a big laugh and 73's just follow the link or click on it.

http://youtu.be/OidowSpbxJo

1937. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 5 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-05 11:06:23 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93996db6a334e04cb4ddcec@google.com>
Source record: 1854
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ISS CubeSat launch - Radio Hams listen for signals

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KlPMoIEcaxI/iss_cubesat_launch_radio_hams_listen_for_signals.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateurs around the world have been listening for signals from the four new amateur radio CubeSats that were deployed from the International Space Station (ISS) on Thursday, October 4

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2012 Oceania DX Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EP__fUcrYlw/2012_oceania_dx_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A reminder that the 2012 Oceania DX Contest will be bringing plenty of action to the HF bands over the next two weekends. The PHONE section is on this coming weekend (6/7 October) and the CW section is on the following weekend (13/14 October)

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BATC convention this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NcXDb8rv7Io/batc_convention_this_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The British Amateur Television Club (BATC) Convention takes place October 6-7 with an interesting lecture programme along with demos, DATV test and fix it area, flea market and traders

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Successful ARISS contact with Complex of Technical Schools in Kolo, Poland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PKuv9yQ2fcA/ariss_event_success_1909.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at 7:13 UTC, i.e. 9:13 CEST, students of Complex of Technical Schools, Kolo, Poland established ARISS contact with astronaut Akihiko Hoshide KE5DNI onboard the International Space Station

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New Advertising Department appointments

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-5kAkh8dMq4/new_advertising_department_appointments.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

CQ Communications President Richard Ross, K2MGA, today announced the appointments of Charlie Payne, ex- WN2AKC, and Jon Kummer, WA2OJK, to the company's advertising department. Payne and Kummer succeed Charles "Chip" Margelli, K7JA, who resigned to pursue other opportunities in the amateur radio industry

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Live broadcast of MFJ 40th anniversary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hrTdWEVLHHg/live_broadcast_of_mfj_40th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It's time for the Live Broadcast of MFJ 40th Anniversary Celebration!! MFJ Enterprises will be celebrating their 40th anniversary October 5th and 6th (Friday and Saturday) in Starkville, Mississippi!

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Clandestine and Opposition Shortwave Broadcast Guide

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4nlH4-IXALc/clandestine_and_opposition_shortwave_broadcast_guide.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur Radio operator Steve Handler, N9ABC has another radio related eBook that has been published and is available on Amazon.com

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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AMSAT-India launch YouTube channel

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oiD0YP5BXKs/amsat_india_launch_youtube_channel.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT-India have launched their own YouTube channel

1938. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 07 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-05 15:36:22 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <65ba356f-eb71-4d9f-8efe-8e2bc9aa4f0f@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1855
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-10-07.mp3
Text edition:
WIANEWS - OCTOBER 07 2012 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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If It Matters To You It Matters To Us!

Email nationalnews@wia.org.au

http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 07 2012.

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING OCT 07 2012.

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(sources from wia front page)

GOOD NEWS SPREADS FAST!
LTE Trial in Bendigo Ends

The ACMA has advised the WIA that the 700 MHz LTE trial in the Bendigo
region has now ended. In effect this means that Advanced Amateur licence
holders that were within the exclusion zone can now apply to the ACMA for
a variation to their existing licences to operate up to 1 kW on the primary
HF bands during the trial period. More information on how to apply can be
found on the WIA website at
http://www.wia.org.au/licenses/licensing/hfhighpowertrial/

The 700 MHz LTE trial in the Perth area is still continuing where an
exclusion zone for High Power HF operation is in place. Details of the

exclusion zone can be found on the WIA web site.

FIELD DAY 'HEADS UP'
November 24-25 is the SPRING VHF-UHF Field Day

The VHF-UHF Field Days provide VHF-UHF operators with the opportunity to "head for the hills" and see how far they can work.

The Field Days have separate sections for single and multiple operator stations. The duration of the Field Day is 24 hours, but there are also 8 hour sections for operators who may not be able to camp overnight.

Most club stations prefer to operate for the full 24 hours.

The Field Days also generate plenty of activity from home stations, so there is also a separate Home Station section.

The scoring is based on grid locator squares. Each new square worked gives quite a boost to the score, and this encourages the entrants to operate from locations in grid squares that normally don't have a great amount of amateur activity.

There are no mode restrictions, except that all contacts must be simplex so contacts through repeaters or satellites are not allowed.

It is possible to do very well with only modest antennas if you pick a good hilltop. Another option, if your station is easily transportable, is to operate from more than one grid square during the contest period.

The overriding aim is to get away for the weekend and have fun!

But next after that, the aims are:

to encourage more activity on VHF and microwave bands;

to encourage people to work greater distances than usual by operating portable and to provide opportunities for people to activate or work into new grid squares.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

BARG HAMVENTION DIARY TICKLER

The Ballarat Amateur Radio Group will hold its annual Hamvention on Sunday the 21st of October 2012 in the usual venue provided by the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club in Rubicon St, Redan.

Doors open for traders at 8am and general access is at 10am.
Further details at www.barg.org.au and in upcoming WIA News broadcasts.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

INVITATION TO IEEE LECTURE

You are all invited to attend a Technical Seminar AT JCU School of Engineering and Physical Sciences & IEEE Northern Australia Section.

Tuesday 9th October 5:30pm Building DA 003, Room 002 - Humanities Block, James Cook University, Douglas Campus.

Seminar is by Dr Trevor Bird, President-elect of the IEEE Antennas & Propagation Society, Principal, Antengenuity & CSIRO Fellow

>From Wireless to Astronomy: lessons from an engineering career

The wireless revolution in progress has produced dramatic changes in our work and social activities. The speaker, Dr Bird, was fortunate to have witnessed first-hand some of the wireless research that caused some of these changes.

In the 1980's and early 1990's he participated in a project that aimed to achieve the then ten times the current data rate for indoor wireless local area networks. His research in antennas and propagation for WLANs anticipated later research by a CSIRO team that resulted in a patented approach that is now incorporated in most wireless chips in use today.

(Gavin VK4ZZ)

TARC WIA Exams Information

Exam sessions in the North Queensland region are held on demand with WIA Assessors and assessment packs available for all 3 levels of licensing.

Contact theTARCinc WIA Exams Regional Co-ordinator Ray/VK4NET on home phone 47 23 43 51 to have a mutually suitable date and WIA Assessors assigned to your assessment.

(Gavin VK4ZZ)

VK5

'WICEN SA Activity Day' on Sunday 14th October.

The day is being held in the Adelaide Hills at Prospect Hill Scout Hall. Approximately 7 kilometers by road south-west of Meadows.

Please ensure you RSVP by 8th October so that the BBQ lunch can be catered for properly. Family & friends who are interested in amateur radio for emergencies are welcome.
(Andrew Macmichael - Secretary WICEN SA)

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

MIENA HAMFEST

This is the big VK7 hamfest that happens every two years in the Central Highlands of Tasmania thanks to the Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club of Tasmania.

Miena is booked for the first of December 2012 with the usual line up of traders making the journey across the ditch.

NWT-ATV Group JOTA/JOTI

Planning for this event is continuing and the Club will again be providing resources and operators over 2 days at the Paton Park Camp at Ulverstone.

Operators offering their assistance at this time with communications and control are Neil VK7NX, Ross VK7WP, Paul VK7HPD, Jim VK7JH, Graham VK7NGA, and Tony VK7AX.

An invitation is extended for anyone else to assist, (you do not need to have a Call) as there will be a full call operator in attendance at all times. Please let the Club know if you are interested.

October NTARC Meeting

To be held on Wednesday 12 October, this will again be the yearly pilgrimage to Mt Barrow. Last year this was a really great evening and those that attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves, especially in the extended twilight that came with the introduction of daylight saving just days before.

This formula will also apply in 2012, so get along.

Arrive any time in the afternoon and NTARC have the site overnight so if you are appropriately equipped, why not camp until next morning. There are members who regularly do just that and they would love to have your company.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, AR Victoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, Appointed Chairman of IARU Region 3

The Directors in IARU Region 3 have voted to appoint Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, of Wellington, New Zealand, as the Chairman of IARU Region 3. He replaces Michael Owen, VK3KI, who passed away unexpectedly last month. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA), had served as Region 3 Chairman since 2006.

"I am extremely grateful to my fellow Directors for their support in this difficult time, and for the procedural work by [IARU Region 3] Secretary Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, to formalize an appointment," Lake said in a statement. "I will do my best to carry through all the work that we have in progress, much of it due to items and ideas put in place by Michael. It is my privilege to have the opportunity to serve you, the Member Societies and fellow amateurs in Region 3."

Lake -- who has been a licensed amateur for more than 50 years -- has been involved with IARU activities for more than 25 years and a Director of Region 3

since February 2005. He began his professional career as an engineer, first with the New Zealand Post Office and then with Telecom New Zealand. He followed this with 14 years at a small and specialized telecommunications consulting company in Wellington that included a wide variety of assignments in the Pacific, Asia and Southeast Asia.

�My �style� will probably be different from Michael�s in some ways,� Lake explained, �but our goals are the same -- to ensure a growing and successful IARU Region 3.�
[arrl.org]

SOUTH SUDAN, ON THE AIR

The Republic of South Sudan has issued its first amateur radio licenses. The call Z81A went to Jim Pratt who holds the United States call letters of K7QI.

The second license issued was Z81D. It went to Diya Al Sadi, YI1DZ. Both are reportedly now on the air.
(Above from various DX news sources)

LOOKING AHEAD TO WRC-15

>From an Amateur Radio perspective, the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12) was very successful. According to IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, the IARU Administrative Council will meet in the next 45 days and will address the agenda items for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15) with an eye to building the best strategy for dealing with those items in a way that is most favorable to the Amateur Radio Service. While the IARU will be watching all agenda items in 2015, there is one agenda item that focuses on the Amateur Radio Service, and another four that may have an effect the Amateur Radio Service.
[ARRL Letter]

End of an era for MKARS at Bletchley Park

On the 1st January, 2013, the eighteen year association of the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society (MKARS) and Bletchley Park will finally come to an end, due to MKARS having to vacate their current clubhouse on the estate.

The main reasons for Bletchley Park serving notice on MKARS are due to;

The building currently occupied by MKARS as their clubhouse, being required to make way for the creation of a new park entrance and access road to the coach park.

No additional space being available on the estate which MKARS could occupy.

It has been deemed that the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society will not fit into the future World War II profile of the Bletchley Park Museum.

Having attained Museum status, Bletchley Park will eventually have regular opening and closing times after which there will be no public access.

The Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society and its members have been both privileged and proud to have been associated with the world renowned Bletchley Park, its history, its outside events and its place in the public consciousness. By representing the voice of both Amateur Radio and Bletchley Park to the world, the call sign GB2BP has made the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society friends in many countries, creating interest in the amazing work that was carried out within Bletchley Park during WWII.

Although GB2BP may no longer be in residence on Bletchley Park after the 1st January, 2013 it will re-appear occasionally as a special event station supporting public events on Bletchley Park.
(Lyn Vk4SWE EI/VK4EI)

(Rob.. you've been to Bletchley Park, haven't you?)

Distracted Driving Bulletin: Ontario Extends Exemption

The Radio Amateurs of Canada are today announcing written confirmation from Minister Bob Chiarelli of the Ontario Provincial Government regarding a five year extension of exemption to the Ontario distracted driving law. In his letter, Minister Chiarelli explains that the current exemptions for both Amateur Radio and Two Way Commercial Radios will be extended until January 1st, 2018.

Minister Chiarelli expresses his hope that in that time commercial hands free alternatives will be found for two way radios. While RAC finds victory in the five year extension, a permanent solution is desired and required.

The Radio Amateurs of Canada will continue to pursue a permanent exemption for Amateur Radio operators in Ontario. Similar exemptions already exist in many other provincial jurisdictions in Canada - thanks in part to the efforts of local amateurs and RAC's national strategy to address distracted driving legislation.

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Bill Gade, VE4WO - Regulatory Affairs
(Radio Amateurs Canada)

(victoria: ROAD SAFETY ROAD RULES 2009 (SR NO 94 OF 2009) - REG 300)
("mobile phone" does not include a CB radio or any other two way radio)

WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Nestle to Find UK Customers via GPS Chips in Candy Bars

Chips in candy bars? No, not potato chips, but silicon chips.
In a new twist to the old 'Winning Ticket in a Chocolate Bar Wrapper' Trick, Nestle have announced a marketing campaign in the UK that will disguise 6 self-activating GPS location trackers in wrappers of the companies various chocolate bars.

Once activated, Nestle representatives will track down the lucky winners within 24 hours and exchange the tracker for a cheque in the amount of ten

thousand British pounds.

Other modernizations on this stalwart of the confectionary industry advertising, is the inclusion of QR-codes -- 2-dimensional barcodes that can be read by smartphones -- to a portion of the public advertising posters. Other posters will have 'NFC' added; NFC is Near Field Communications, a technology building upon 13.56Mhz RFID tags that is being used for Access Control, Event Ticketing, Contactless Payments and Media Sharing; and starting to be found embedded in the recent generation of smart phones.

So, it appears Nestle values your 3-minute chocolate eating experience at around 200,000 pounds per hour. Not a bad job, if you can get it, and not an Oompaloompa in sight!
(http://www.tomshardware.co.uk/)
(VK3GR)

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW Oceania Dx Contest SSB October 6
WW Oceania Dx Contest CW oceaniadxcontest.com Oct 13
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

Distance Based Scoring Proposal.

A proposal for a change to distance based scoring has been published by Andrew VK1DA and Colin VK5DK. It follows several years of discussion among some of the operators in the VHF/UHF Field days, who have found that the scoring system used in these contests seems to have problems for operators in country areas. This proposal has been developed after several months of discussion via email.

The proposal outlines the problems seen with the grid square based scoring scheme. It points out that grid squares, apart from not being square, have different sizes depending on your latitude. Thus the grid square scoring system does not give all vk operators the same rewards for making the same distance contacts.

While many operators think of vhf dx as the contacts made on 6m or (much less often) on 2m via the ionosphere, the primary interest of VHF and UHF specialists is in tropospheric propagation which does not involve ionospheric reflection. The distance spanned by contacts is the primary measure of the difficulty of a contact, with the vital factors being the power used, the antenna gain and receiver sensitivity combined with operator skill to make successful long distance contacts.

The sponsors of the proposal believe that instead of rewarding operators on the basis of the grid squares worked, a distance based score would make more sense for vhf-uhf contacts and could be consistently applied in all parts of the country.

Well, what about rovers? Rovers are stations who try to operate from as many different grid squares as possible. As a distance formula

would not work well with rovers, it has been suggested that the rover stations would continue to use grid squares for their scoring. They could continue to make contacts with all stations, the contacts qualifying both operators for the points applying to their operating category.

The other major change proposed is the introduction of a separate category for the 6m, 2m and 70cm bands. This category caters directly for those operators who have multiband radios such as the popular FT857, FT897, IC706, IC7000, TS2000 and who do not have equipment for any higher bands. This would take away any concerns about the higher weighting given to the microwave bands. This proposal caters for the very large number of operators who are equipped for 6m, 2m and 70cm via their multiband radios, and gives them a separate category to compete in. Colin and Andrew think this will boost operator numbers in the event and give those excellent radios a little more use and a lot more radio amateurs who already have suitable equipment will consider operating in these events.

The proposal is available on the net for all to read. The address is simple: go to vk1da dot net (vk1da.net) and you'll find the first item on the home page is a link to the proposal. After reading the proposal you are invited to participate in a short survey which asks for some details of your past operating bands in these events, your future plans, whether you like the ideas in the proposal and invites you to make any other suggestions that you think will improve these field days in some way.

Just repeating that web address: go to vk1da.net and follow the links.
(Andrew VK1DA & Colin VK5DK)

2012 Remembrance Day Contest Winners Announced

http://www.wia.org.au/members/contests/rdcontest/
As promised on the WIA RD Contest page, the winners of this year's event were announced around September 25th with full details available in a number of files on the contest homepage, as well as a report to appear in the November AR magazine.

A quick run-through of the headline winners includes: VK7NET winning the Single-Op Phone category, and VK7RF taking out Single-Op CW.
Single Op Mixed - VK6ZRW, QRP Phone - VK6FLAB, QRP CW - VK3QB,
QRP Mixed - VK2IG, Multi-Single - VK2GGC, Multi-Multi - VK4XA

The Teams category was taken out by Wallaroo with 1898 points and the Lockyer Legends were close behind on 1819 with Elizabeth ARC in third.
Congratulations for VK2FWWD, VK6FMON and VK4FAAS who took out the top 3 placings in the Foundation Licence category.

Another exceptional year of participation and a hotly contested event under the new rules format.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

HAMS FROM 5 COUNTRIES HELP PUT KOSOVO ON THE AIR FOR THE FIRST TIME

On September 12, the Autoriteti Rregullativ i Telekomunikacionit (ART) -- Kosovo's telecommunications regulatory authority -- created the necessary legal framework for the development of an Amateur Radio Service in the Republic of Kosovo by approving its Regulation for Amateur Radio Services.

Although not formally assigned a prefix by the International Telecommunication Union, Kosovo will use the Z6 prefix. Currently, Kosovo does not count toward the ARRL's DXCC Award, as it has not been assigned a prefix by the ITU (per DXCC rule II.1.a), nor has it been recognized by the United Nations (per DXCC rule II.1.b).

Nigel Cawthorne, G3TXF, and Bob Barden, MD0CCE/N2BB -- members of the Chiltern DX Club (CDXC) -- were part of a team of operators led by IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, that activated Z60K, the first Amateur Radio station in the Republic of Kosovo. Along with Cawthorne, Barden and Blondeel Timmerman, the team included the following radio amateurs: Nik Percin, 9A5W; Emil Balen Zdravko, 9A9A; Emir Mahmutovic, 9A6AA; Martti Laine, OH2BH; Jorma Saloranta, OH2KI, and Pekka Holstila, OH2TA.

Click here http://www.arrl.org/news/a-first-hand-look-at-the-z60k-activation-in-kosovo for Cawthorne's and Barden's account of the Z60K activation.
Source: The ARRL Letter

DXCC Desk Approves 11 Operations for DXCC Credit

On September 19, the ARRL DXCC Desk approved the following 2012 operations for DXCC credit:

3B8/IW5ELA (Mauritius)
9A8VB (Croatia)
4O7VB (Montenegro)
E40VB (Palestine)
E7/UA4WHX (Bosnia-Herzegovina)
EY8/UA4WHX (Tajikistan)
JY8VB (Jordan)
UN/UA4WHX (Kazakhstan).
YU9VB (Serbia)
Z38VB (Macedonia)
ZA/UA4WHX (Albania)
[ARRL]

DXCC Validity
Perhaps just a reminder for the keen DX'ers, and hopefully of some help to the newbies; there are occasional DXpeditions that have not been validated or approved for DXCC award purposes. Typical reasons include shipboard operation, operation not authorised but the relevant radio regulatory body, no documentation provided to prove operations, or that the location is not a recognised DXCC entity.

There are lists collated in various places, for instance on www.OK1RR.com, but if you have a particular query about a DXpedition or strange details on a QSL card, contact the DXCC desk at the ARRL directly. dxcc@arrl.net(check for accuracy)

WIRELESS HILL CENTENARY -- SPECIAL CALLSIGN

The aboriginal people once called Wireless hill Yagan's Lookout. Providing perfect views of the surrounding area In 1912 the federal government built one Australia first telecommunication stations. Using Morse code the telecommunication station communicated with ships off the Australian coast using a 120m mast.

In 1916 during the WWI it was used by the RAN using 60 KW Poulsan arc transmitter and valve operated receivers. In 1927 Applecross wireless station became a feeder station for international radio grams weather reports news bulletins and press reports. The awa installed a short wave beam system which extended transmitting range of stations enabling direct communication between England and Australia.

In 1932 the radio station 6PR starting broadcasting from Wireless Hill
In 1955 the WAVHF Group was established
In 1959 the first television in WA TVW7 was transmitted via the Applecross wireless station
In the 1960's 2 Rhombic and 2 log period antennas were installed for the NASA Space Mission

The Park played a significant role in the security and defence of the Australian coastline from 1912 thru to 1968. During the WWI the Applecross wireless station received an emergency signal from the Cocos Islands giving the position of German Light cruiser SMS Emden. The station relayed the info to the HMAS Sydney which was escorting a troop convoy close to the Cocos Island. The Sydney gave chase and captured the Emden in one of Australia's most famous sea battles of the WWI.

The Wireless hill centenary starts on the 29th of September for 2 weeks over the school holiday period. The special call sign of VI6VIP has been allocated the WAVHF group for this period. So get on Air and contact VI6VIP and participate in this special event. The WAVHF group also welcomes all clubs and their members to visit wireless hill to activate this special call sign. The allocation of VI6VIP is in tribute to the first call sign used at Wireless Hill.

I'm Monique VK6FMON
[AUDIO UPLOADED]

Papua New Guinea Islands Tour

An international team will visit five islands belonging to Papua New Guinea between October 19th and November 4th.

Operators mentioned are Derek G3KHZ, Hans SM6CVX, Hans-Peter HB9BXE, Eddy K5WQG, Axel DL6KVA and Non-ham Stig Nyman.

The team will use the boat "M/V Barbarian", and start their travels from Kokopo in New Britain on November 18th, sailing via Kavieng to Emirau.

The islands scheduled by the full team will be:

October 20-24th - Callsign P29VCX; Emirau Island (OC-103) in the St. Matthias IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.

October 27-31st - Callsign P29NI; Tatau Island (OC-099) in the Tabar IOTA Group. QSL via G3KHZ.

November 2-4th - Callsign P29VPB; Lihir Island (OC-069) in the Lihir IOTA Group. QSL Manager TBA.

The main team will fly home on November 6th. However, Hans SM6CVX and Stig Nyman will continue to Buka on the "M/V Barbarian", and plan to activate the following:

November 6-9th - Callsign P29VCX; Buka Island (OC-135) in the Solomon Island IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.

November 9-12th - Callsign P29VCX; Manu Island (OC-205) in the Admiralty Island IOTA Group. QSL via SM6CVX.

Activity will probably be 40-10 meters using mostly CW with some SSB just like last year's activity.

They do have a Web page at: http://www.p29ni.yolasite.com
OPDX

PB 100 PREFIX, Netherlands Special Event

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the ITU Prefixes, look for special event station PB 100 PREFIX to be active until October 31st.
QSL via PB 0 P.

After the tragic loss of the Titanic (Call sign MGY, the, "M", is from the Marconi company) in April 1912, there was an acknowledgement that there should be international standards for radio communications. Therefore, the leading colonial countries planned several meetings in the aftermath of the loss of the Titanic.

For more details, visit: http://www.PB100PREFIX.nl

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report Measure Twice cut Once.

A CHANGE IN THE SPECTRUM OF DATA NETWORKS

After its 15 years on the market, the now ubiquitous 'Wi-Fi' computer network standards are found in mobile phones, remote control toys, medical and industrial controls and just about anywhere else you can think of. Wi-Fi uses 2.4Ghz and 5Ghz RF spectrum to deliver between 1Mbit/s and 150Mbit/s, with more recent devices employing MIMO -- 'Multiple In, Multiple Out' antenna arrays -- to provide concurrent data transfers in more than one direction, as a strategy to increase overall network throughput to areas serviced by individual devices.

The new Wi-Fi draft standard -- 802.11ac -- is set to double the MIMO streams from 4 to 8, and employ 80Mhz and 160Mhz bandwidths to ramp up speeds to 866Mbit/s.

Research at the University of Edinburgh is investigating light based data networking. Dubbed 'Li-Fi', as in 'Light Fidelity', they're using modulated LEDs and photosensors and have already reached datarates of 130Mbit/s.

Professor Harald Haas calls the system 'D-Light' and has started an incubator project to produce and market a retrofit kit to bring speeds up to 50Mbit/s to your home or work.

As with Wi-Fi, this light based data system uses OFDM (orthogonal frequency division multiplexing) and speeds of 1Gbit/s and up are being discussed. In contrast to an RF solution, directed, filtered or perpendicular light channels are just a few of the ways to restrict access and interference between adjacent network devices, and that will further increase the potential network throughput in congested areas.

Harald Haas' TED conference presentation entitled "Wireless data from every light bulb" can been viewed at TED.com
http://www.ted.com/speakers/harald_haas.html
http://www.see.ed.ac.uk/wordpress/hxh/
http://arstechnica.com/information-technology/2012/10/researchers-turn-lights-into-worlds-fastest-wireless-with-li-fi/(VK3GR)

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

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1939. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 5 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-05 16:34:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646f9ddb7da504cb5272d0@google.com>
Source record: 1856
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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OJ0X OJ0MI OJ0B Market Reef

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 08:34 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363816-OJ0X-OJ0MI-OJ0B-Market-Reef&goto=newpost

OG9X, OH2HAN and OH6XX will activate from Market Reef 25- 29 October 2012
as OJ0X, OJ0MI and OJ0B

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...b_market-reef/

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PD35SSCS is back on the air

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 11:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363785-PD35SSCS-is-back-on-the-air&goto=newpost

Fase 2 is start

1-10-2012 / 28-10-2012

On the air

Hope to meet you on the band

www.pd2rkg.com

Greetings from the QSL Manager

Rene van der Zwan

PD2RKG

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Special event station ph4rtm/whe

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 02:26 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363742-Special-event-station-ph4rtm-whe&goto=newpost

This weekend special event station ph4rtm/whe is active on all bands in
phone and dig modes.

its the last weekend from the world horlticulturel expo in venlo the
netherlands .

this event starts friday at 6pm till sunday 6 pm .

1940. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 5 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-05 16:55:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5171cf9f0e83204cb52bdbb@google.com>
Source record: 1857
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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FCC proposes licensing rule changes and seeks to add new emission types to amateur ra

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363738-FCC-proposes-licensing-rule-changes-and-seeks-to-add-new-emission-types-to-amateur-ra&goto=newpost

Information on the ARRL website:

http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-t...emission-types

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HamRadioNow: PopComm Magazine's 30! -- Taking Ham Radio to the Public

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 07:12 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363665-HamRadioNow-PopComm-Magazine-s-30!-Taking-Ham-Radio-to-the-Public&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 25: Popular Communications Magazine Hits 30

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Episode 26: Taking Ham Radio to the Public

Popular Communications magazine (part of the CQ family) had it's 30th anniversary

as of the September issue. We had a nice talk with editor Richard Fisher KI6SN

about that, shortwave listening, and their new Monitoring Station Certificate.

Why is it important to do ham radio publicity, and how do you do it? Ed Tyler N4EDT

is an ARRL Public Information Coordinator, the top PR guy in the Alabama Section,

and he has some interesting and unique ideas about how we should talk to the

people out there... and how you can do it when it falls to you.

Our thanks to the guys here at QRZ.COM for providing this channel to announce

our programs, and a place for viewers (or not) to comment on them.

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and 'click the pig'

1941. eHam.net News for Friday 5 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-05 22:24:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303f6284ec87bb04cb57549e@google.com>
Source record: 1858
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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NASA's TechEdSat Launches from International Space Station:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 05:12 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29093

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4, 2012 -- NASA engineers, student interns and amateur radio enthusiasts around the world are listening for signals from a small, cube-shaped satellite launched into orbit from the International Space Station Thursday. The satellite, dubbed "TechEdSat," was released at 11:44 a.m. EDT from the new Japanese Small Satellite Orbital Deployer aboard the space station. TechEdSat measures about 4 inches (10 centimeters) on a side and carries a ham radio transmitter. It was developed by a group of student interns from San Jose State University (SJSU) in California with mentoring and support from staff at NASA's Ames Research Center in Moffett Field, Calif. TechEdSat arrived at the space station aboard the Japanese H-II Transfer Vehicle July 21 and the station's Expedition 33 crew processed it for launch."TechEdSat will evaluate plug-and-play technologies, like avionics designed by commercial providers, and will allow a group of very talented aerospace engineering students from San Jose State University to experience a spaceflight project from formulation through decommission of a small spacecraft," said Ames Director S. Pete Worden.

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Madison County Ham Radio Operators to Simulate Emergency Saturday:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29092

HUNTSVILLE, Alabama - Ham radio operators will simulate an emergency Saturday to test communication preparedness for widespread events such as the April 27, 2011, tornado outbreak. Amateur Radio Emergency Services will begin the regional simulated emergency test sometime after 8 a.m. Saturday. A scenario will be announced at an unspecified time over the air, prefaced with the alert: "Exercise, exercise, exercise." Local ham operators will establish a communications network that works with those of Madison County Emergency Management Agency, the National Weather Service, the Red Cross and other local agencies.

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Radio Group Offers Broadcast Experience to Students:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29091

In the age of cellular communication and the Internet, ham radio may seem like an antiquated means of communication. However, the practice still is alive and well, and the Oklahoma Student Amateur Radio Club is part of it. The group encourages students to participate in the amateur radio community by providing access to the National Weather Center's ham radio equipment, which is of a much high caliber than the cheaper hand-held or mobile devices, said Connor Keef, meterology sophomore and the club's vice president. Ham radio and amateur radio are used interchangeably to describe the licensed use of a radio frequency that is set aside for purposes ranging from recreation to emergency communication, according to the National Association of Amateur Radio's website. Traditionally, meteorology majors have filled the club because of the club's association with the School of Meteorology, Keef said. However, he and club president Megan McClellan said they are hoping to expand to a broader group of students. "It doesn't just necessarily need to be meteorology majors or engineering majors in the club," McClellan said. "What we really want to work for is having a diverse club. We can have anyone from education majors to aeronautical engineers."

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Payne, Kummer, Join CQ Advertising Department:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29090

(Hicksville, NY) October 4, 2012 -- CQ Communications President Richard Ross, K2MGA, today announced the appointments of Charlie Payne, ex- WN2AKC, and Jon Kummer, WA2OJK, to the company's advertising department. Payne and Kummer succeed Charles "Chip" Margelli, K7JA, who resigned to pursue other opportunities in the amateur radio industry.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #41:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29089

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, PT2OP, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29088

This Week in Radiosport:

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Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, Appointed Chairman of IARU Region 3:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29087

The Directors in IARU Region 3 have voted to appoint Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, of Wellington, New Zealand, as the Chairman of IARU Region 3. He replaces Michael Owen, VK3KI, who passed away unexpectedly last month. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia, had served as Region 3 Chairman since 2006.

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ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian Award:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29086

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

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Goran Savic, YT2A, Killed in Plane Crash:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29085

While on a routine training mission, Serbian Air Force Major Goran Savic, YT2A, was killed trying to direct his plane away from a residential area in Nova Pazova, Serbia. According to Nova Pazova Municipal President Dorde Radinovic, the plane crashed into the yard of a private house. Due to Savic's skill in maneuvering the aircraft, there were no casualties on the ground.

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The Weather Channel to Begin Naming Winter Storms:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29084

Beginning this winter, The Weather Channel will begin naming what it calls "noteworthy winter storms." As The Weather Channel explained on its website, "[a] storm with a name is easier to follow, which will mean fewer surprises and more preparation.

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ARRL in Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29083

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of September -- takes a look at how the ARRL is laying the groundwork for its 100th birthday celebration, planning for the 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference, Section Manager training at ARRL Headquarters, operations approved for DXCC credit, improvements to

W1AW, reports from the Official Observer Desk and more.

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Attention Kit Builders -- The ARRL Wants to Hear from You!

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 12:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29082

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful,
educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high
probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more
advanced projects.

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MFJ Celebrates 40th Anniversary:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29081

In October 1972, Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, started MFJ in a hotel room
in Starkville, Mississippi. 40 years later, MFJ Enterprises
consists of six different ham radio
companies that manufacture more than 2000 products. To celebrate this
milestone, MFJ will host ARRL Day in the Park
this weekend in Starkville.

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ARRL HQ Seeks Applicants for QST Technical Editor:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29080

The League is currently looking to fill the position of QST Technical
Editor at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. Connecticut residency or the
ability to relocate to Connecticut is required. The QST Technical
Editor will provide leadership to the technical Amateur Radio community
by developing and promulgating a vision of the state of the Amateur
Radio art through the pages of QST.

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 01:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29079

New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

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Amateur Astronomy Group Solicits Papers for New Mexico Conference:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 12:59 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29078

The Society of Amateur Radio Astronomers (SARA) -- an organization for those
interested in radio astronomy -- is soliciting papers for presentation

at its 2013 Western Regional Conference,
February 9-10, 2013 in
Socorro, New Mexico. Papers on radio astronomy hardware, software,
education, research strategies, observations and philosophy are
welcome.

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Press Release: Clandestine Broadcasts by N9ABC:

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 12:58 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29076

Amateur Radio operator Steve Handler (N9ABC) has
another radio related eBook that has been published and
is available on Amazon.com.

1942. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1834 Delayed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-05 23:53:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <1440624271.6491.1349480962047.JavaMail.root@aux132>
Source record: 1859
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

The latest edition of Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) will be posted to the newsgroups as soon as it becomes available.

Title: Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1834 Delayed
Link:
http://www.arnewsline.org/news/2012/10/5/amateur-radio-newsline-report-1834-delayed.html

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rec.radio.info Admin

1943. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND ALL ADULT PEOPLE 2011 SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-06 01:36:40 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <c108e6e1-334c-4a71-a669-149a5359d81c@wm7g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1860

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

1944. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 5 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-06 02:14:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447f31c02f55b04cb5a8d44@google.com>
Source record: 1861
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Lighthouse Weekend being held through Sunday - Press-Register - al.com
(blog)

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 01:37 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHnBVXZRbypBr-ilqyrq_ssWceBRw&url=http://blog.al.com/pr-community-news/2012/10/lighthouse_weekend_being_held.html

Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Lighthouse Weekend being held through Sunday
Press-Register - al.com (blog)
After participating in a HAM radio contest on the USS Alabama, Huntsville Amateur Radio Club member Warren Alford was inspired to organize a similar event for the lighthouses of Mobile Bay. “We want to increase awareness of the rich history and help ...

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NASA + University Students Launch Cubesats From ISS... Ham In Space! -
SatNews Publishers

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 10:30 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFP2C0n0sIr1ocOr7ICvqPwZ_P3Hg&url=http://www.satnews.com/cgi-bin/story.cgi?number%3D63604677

Los Angeles Times
NASA + University Students Launch Cubesats From ISS... Ham In Space!
SatNews Publishers
NASA engineers, student interns and amateur radio enthusiasts around the world are listening for signals from a small, cube-shaped satellite launched into orbit from the International Space Station Thursday. The satellite, dubbed "TechEdSat," was ...
Astronauts Launch Techedsat From International Space StationRedOrbit
Great NASA image: Cubesats launch from space stational.com (blog)

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Shore Patrol: 95-year-old runs a tight ship in Queen Mary amateur radio
room - Long Beach Press-Telegram

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 09:25 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGMwTiwYtnidWUENlHtVWeVtu_68g&url=http:

//www.presstelegram.com/news/ci_21701649/shore-patrol-95-year-old-runs-tight-ship

Shore Patrol: 95-year-old runs a tight ship in Queen Mary amateur radio room
Long Beach Press-Telegram
He also spent considerable time, the past 36 years, volunteering for the Red Cross, often teaching blind kids ham radio. In appreciation for the key role he played in establishing and maintaining the radio room, it was named after Nate Brightman on his ...

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ISS CubeSat launch - Radio Hams listen for signals - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 12:17 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG41IH6nBJcFEvfGuYsmf00_vsOqQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/iss_cubesat_launch_radio_hams_listen_for_signals.htm

ISS CubeSat launch - Radio Hams listen for signals
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
from the four new amateur radio CubeSats that were deployed from the International Space Station (ISS) on Thursday, October 4. In total five CubeSats were deployed from two pods on the JEM-Small Satellite Orbital Deployer (J-SSOD). Japanese astronaut ...

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Payne, Kummer, Join CQ Advertising Department: - eHam.net

Posted: 04 Oct 2012 08:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFiRKyrYm_e-aQUFLrCxWy6k1fLTA&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29090

Payne, Kummer, Join CQ Advertising Department:
eHam.net
Payne, of Nicholasville, Kentucky, is the new Advertising Director for CQ Amateur Radio, CQ VHF and WorldRadio Online magazines. A former ham who held a Novice license in the 1970s, Payne has been selling magazine advertising since 1984, when he ...

1945. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 6 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-06 06:20:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fcd3ff6f04cb5dfb75@google.com>
Source record: 1862
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Kalamazoo Hamfest October 21st 2012

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 04:48 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363876-Kalamazoo-Hamfest-October-21st-2012&goto=newpost

Sunday October 21st @ Kalamazoo Fairgrounds Talkin 147.040 (+) 94.8 Hz
CTCSS more info http://www.kalamazoohamfest.com/

Trunk Sales and more check out their web site for more.

See you there!

1946. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 6 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-06 11:04:01 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93997ffda5fc404cb61f1f3@google.com>
Source record: 1863
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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New IARU R3 Chairman

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MSA-J3i1dvs/new_iaru_r3_chairman.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the surprise passing away last month of Michael Owen VK3KI, the Directors of IARU Region 3, as required by the Constitution, have appointed Peter Lake ZL2AZ as the new Chairman

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FCC seeks to change Amateur Radio licensing rules, allow additional emission types

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s9zlmSsD_7c/fcc_seeks_to_change_amateur_radio_licensing_rules.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On October 2, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in WT Docket No. 12-121 that seeks to change the Amateur Radio licensing rules, especially as they concern former licensees

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Australian pioneer of moon bounce dies

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wc3JX-3N06w/australian_pioneer_of_moon_bounce_dies.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An early VHF enthusiast and moon bounce experimenter, Ray Naughton VK3ATN of Birchip in Victoria, Australia has died aged 83

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Ham Radio on the RMS Queen Mary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nG-z8c3fSBg/ham_radio_on_the_rms_queen_mary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Press-Telegram reports on 95 year old Nate Brightman K6OSC who is in charge of the amateur radio station on the Queen Mary

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vSOlLkePjrc/040_october_06.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A coronal mass ejection (CME) hit Earth on September 30, triggering a jump in geomagnetic indices. The planetary A index on October 1 was 31, and the K index went as high as 7, making aurora visible across the northern tier of the United States

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Hx5iBG2utjk/october_06.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

1947. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 6 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-06 16:24:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340d03b77f0804cb666b6f@google.com>
Source record: 1864
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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4x4 Ham Special Event from Titan Missile Museum

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 08:54 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363824-4x4-Ham-Special-Event-from-Titan-Missile-Museum&goto=newpost

4th Annual - 4x4 Ham Special Event from Titan Missile Museum in Green Valley, Arizona

October 20, 2012 9am-5pm MST

Look for us calling CQ around 14.244Mhz and 7.244Mhz although we may move around due to band conditions. We've had good success on 10m/15m in previous years as well.

Operating from the 80 foot tall discone antenna 15 miles south of Tucson, Arizona.

The Titan Missile Museum is the only publicly accessible Titan II missile site in the nation. There are tours of the underground missile site where visitors can see the 3-ton blast doors, the 8-foot thick silo walls, and an actual Titan II missile in the launch duct. During the tour of the launch control center, they also experience a simulated launch and more!

Discone antennas are a no gain broadband band antenna. The SWR (standing wave ratio) is typically 2:1 over the full range of 6 MHz to 30 MHz. It was built by Collins Radio Company and operational from July 1963 until the site was deactivated in 1982.

For more information on the 4x4 Ham group, please visit our web site at 4x4ham.com. (four x four ham .com)

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See the 2011 trip info here:
http://www.4x4ham.com/showthread.php...m-October-2011

See the 2010 trip info here:
http://www.4x4ham.com/showthread.php...ctober-23-2010

1948. SARL News in English 6/10/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-06 16:35:03 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <8D6B0545BFBC4C91BFFE79AC47EEDDE8@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1865
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 07 October 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio over Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 and 7,066 MHz from Pretoria, with relays on 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it must be announced that the key of Frans Jonker, ZS6ANI, became silent on 23 August 2012.

Our sincerest condolences to his relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

PETER LAKE, ZL2AZ, APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF IARU REGION 3

NEW MINISTER FOR DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

RADIO AMATEURS MUST CONTRIBUTE TO SA'S KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

PETER LAKE, ZL2AZ, APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF IARU REGION 3

The Directors in IARU Region 3 have voted to appoint Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, of Wellington, New Zealand, as the Chairman of IARU Region 3. He replaces Michael Owen, VK3KI, who passed away unexpectedly last month. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia, had served as Region 3 Chairman since 2006. "I am extremely grateful to my fellow Directors for their support in this difficult time, and for the procedural work by IARU Region 3 Secretary Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, to formalize an appointment," Lake said in a statement. "I will do my best to carry through all the work that we have in progress, much of it due to items and ideas put in place by Michael. It is my privilege to have

the opportunity to serve you, the Member Societies and fellow amateurs in Region 3."

NEW MINISTER FOR DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Derek Hanekom has been appointed as the new minister of Science and Technology following the appointment of Naledi Pandor as Minister of Home Affairs. He has a tough act to follow as Naledi Pandor has excelled in the Portfolio securing 75% of the Square Kilometre Array (SKA) for South Africa. She put science and technology on the high road in South Africa and passionately promoted the development of a knowledge economy for the country. She was a passionate speaker at many science and technology related event. Undoubtedly she will be missed in the corridors of DST. Derek Hanekom as deputy Minister of Science and Technology was behind the scenes involved in several projects and more recently hosted several SKA briefing events.

We wish both ministers well in their portfolios.

CHANGES ON SARL COUNCIL

Council has co-opted Gideon Jannasch, ZS4GJA, on Council. Gideon has taken over the RAE Manager portfolio. In other changes, the VHF/UHF Bandplanning Manager portfolio has been moved from Riaan Greeff, ZS4PR, to Frik Wolff, ZS6FZ. Riaan retains the Treasurer portfolio. Council has made the changes to manage the workload better.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR RAE MATTERS

A new RAE mailbox has been set-up to speed up the information flow. In future RAE queries should be sent to rae@sarl.org.za. Candidates should carefully read the correspondence addressed to them as it contains vitally important information. Candidates who still have outstanding documents should send these in as soon as possible to rae@sarl.org.za.

RTA CD and SDR KITS

A small number of RTA CD's and SDR 80 m experimental kits are available to persons who have not attended the RTA. Details can be found at www.sarl.org.za, click on RTA in the left hand column on the home page.

A package containing the kit and CD is available at R150 plus R30 packaging and postage. The CD only is available at R100 plus R20 packaging and postage. These are the costs if you are a member of the SARL. Non-Members pay an additional premium. Only orders on the order form and pre-paid by bank draft can be accepted. Check the RTA webpage for details of stock before ordering.

RADIO AMATEURS MUST CONTRIBUTE TO SA'S KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY

In his keynote address at the four RTA's, SARL President said that Radio Amateurs must contribute to the country's effort to build an knowledge economy. He said that Research and Development (R&D) promotes the growth of knowledge-intensive activity. There is a clear connection

between R&D intensity and competitiveness. One of the goals for South Africa is to enhance the country's knowledge-generation capacity in order to produce world-class research and turn some advanced findings into innovative products and processes.

"I believe we can and must make a contribution. Amateur radio is blessed with a large slice of the radio spectrum much larger than what many believe the amateur radio service should have but balanced against this is that radio amateurs have a history of pioneering new developments and we need to continue with our passion to experiment and develop.

Exposure to amateur radio has turned many young people to taking up careers in the technology industry. Many have excelled and made major contributions. I am reminded of Jack Kirby who received the Nobel Prize in 2000 for his development of the integrated circuit. Another Nobel Laureate, who developed his career from an interest in amateur radio, is Joe Taylor, K1JT. He received the Nobel prize jointly with Russell Hulse for Physics in 1993 for the discovery of a new type of pulsar, a discovery that has opened up new possibilities for the study of gravitation.

"You may now argue but how can I contribute?" Rassie said. " We are not Joe Taylor! Yes but Joe Taylor was not what Joe Taylor is today. It was his interest in new things, new ideas that made him what he is today. Radio Amateurs experiment a lot but they have one major problem, they do not share it by giving talks at club meetings, by writing articles for Radio ZS or other professional publications."

"He outlined various interesting projects in which radio amateurs can make a major contribution." You can down load the full text of his presentation on www.sarl.org.za, select RTA in the left hand column.

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEWS TEAM

The SARL News Team is experiencing a severe shortage of bulletin compilers. This news item is a request for volunteers to offer their services to keep the bulletin system going. The bulletin compiler's work is to receive news items sent to him/her from the website, compile them into a bulletin and translate the bulletin into Afrikaans. (The translation is by far the most time consuming task of the bulletin compiler.) After the compilations and translation the bulletin is sent to the News Editor by e-mail.

Bulletin compilers will be SARL members, bilingual, with some rudimentary computer and editing skills and will have an e-mail address. They take responsibilty for the bulletins for two months out of every year.

If you might have the necessary skills and be willing to try your hand at this, please send your name and contact details to Fritz, ZS6SF, with email address secretary@sarl.org.za before Monday 15 October. Without enough volunteers, it will not be possible to keep the

Afrikaans bulletin going.

CLUB NEWS

The East Rand Radio club's AGM was held on Saturday 29th of September 2012. A new chairman and committee was elected. The are:

1. Chairman - Marc d'Hotman de Villiers, ZS6MDH 2. Vice Chairman - Ben Fourie, ZS6BEN 3. Secretary - Elize Findt, ZS6JDY 4. Treasurer - Chris Gryffenberg, ZS6COG 5. Repeater Custodians - Hampie Findt, ZS6HJ,F & Chris Gryffenberg, ZS6COG 6. Flea market - Francois Jacobs, ZS6COI, & Judy Pretorius, ZS6JDY 7. QSL Manager - Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX 8. News Letter - Elize Findt, ZS6ECF 9. Awards Manager - Chris Gryffenberg, ZS6COG 10. News Bulletins - Elize Findt, ZS6ECF 11. Webmaster - Glynn Chamberlain, ZS6GLN 12. Club Caretaker - Glynn Chamberlain, ZS6GLN 13. RAE Coordinator = Elize Findt, ZS6ECF 14. Special events & Projects - Brian Mckenzie, ZS6BNM, & Margolet Mckenzie, ZS6MRG 15. Club 675 - Judy Pretorius, ZS6JDY; Glynn Chamberlain, ZS6GLN, & Elize Findt, ZS6ECF 16. HF Relays & Net - Francois Reyneke, ZS6FDX

We congratulate the new committee members on their new positions and wish them all the best for the year to come.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels. Earth facing Sunspots 1 579 and 1 582 are massive but non of them are actively flaring.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 50.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the change of season.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

9 October - Heritage Day Sprint logs to be in to riaanzs4pr@gmail.com and a copy to fwolff@global.co.za. 15 October - Names of volunteers for the SARL news team to be in to secretary@sarl.org.za. 20 October -Jamboree-on-the-air and CQ Hou Koers

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays

on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio TODAY', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the ARMI transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, compiled by by Fritz Sutherland ZS6SF, and edited George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

1949. eHam.net News for Saturday 6 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-06 22:10:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341007510dc904cb6b42fe@google.com>
Source record: 1866
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Lighthouse Weekend Being Held Through Sunday:

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 05:09 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29098

Across the United States and in many foreign countries, amateur radio clubs (commonly known as HAMs) hold weekend events transmitting from lighthouses. The Lighthouse Weekend, going on through Sunday, is a first for Alabama. After participating in a HAM radio contest on the USS Alabama, Huntsville Amateur Radio Club member Warren Alford was inspired to organize a similar event for the lighthouses of Mobile Bay. "We want to increase awareness of the rich history and help our partners, the Alabama Lighthouse Association and the Alabama Historical Commission, raise funds for continued preservation of each lighthouse," said Alford. Two Huntsville clubs will operate stations at Middle Bay, Sand Island, and Mobile Point at Fort Morgan beginning at 6 p.m. today through 6 p.m. Sunday. HAMs from across the world can "call in" and talk to the volunteers manning each station.

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95-Year-Old Runs a Tight Ship in Queen Mary Amateur Radio Room:

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29097

Nate Brightman is in charge of the amateur radio station on the Queen Mary. Brightman, who turns 95 on Tuesday, was the inspiration for putting a radio room on the iconic ship. These days he keeps the radio room staffed with volunteers, two in the morning, two in the afternoon shifts - a task he's been doing for more than 33 years. The radio room was officially opened April 29, 1979, a festive affair of 500 guests entertained by a quartet, recalled Lynne Horn, Brightman's daughter. Brightman is a native of Cleveland, but when he was 27 he decided to enjoy the warm weather of Southern California - after digging his car out from a snow mound - and moved to Long Beach in 1944.

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Space Station Deploys Five CubeSats:

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 12:23 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29096

Five research CubeSats - all with Amateur Radio communication systems - were successfully deployed from the International Space

Station beginning around 1430 UTC today. The satellites were launched from the Kibo station module using a specially equipped robotic arm.

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FCC Seeks to Change Licensing Rules, Allow Additional Emission Types:

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 12:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29095

On October 2, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in WT Docket No. 12-121 that seeks to change the Amateur Radio licensing rules, especially as they concern former licensees. Acting upon an April 2011 Petition for Rulemaking filed by the Anchorage VEC to give permanent credit to radio amateurs for examination elements they have successfully passed, the FCC proposes to revise Section 97.505 to require that Volunteer Examiners (VEs) give examination credit to an applicant who can demonstrate that he or she formerly held a particular class of license. In addition, the Commission seeks to shorten the grace period during which an expired amateur license may be renewed and to reduce the number of VEs needed to administer an amateur license examination.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #40 de K7RA:

Posted: 05 Oct 2012 12:21 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29094

A coronal mass ejection (CME) hit Earth on September 30, triggering a jump in geomagnetic indices. The planetary A index on October 1 was 31, and the K index went as high as 7, making aurora visible across the northern tier of the United States. Strange, but the northern latitude college A index was 23 (near Fairbanks, Alaska), about the same as the mid-latitude index, which was 21, in Fredericksburg, Virginia. During a geomagnetic disturbance it is common to see indices go much higher in the far-northern latitudes.

1950. iPhone App To Help You Learn French Faster By Using Flashcards With Pictures

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 02:34:38 UTC
From: ol7rur8ezb@gmail.com
Message-ID: <a4311c1f-ec5b-4ce7-922f-4a091ee5c30b@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1867

http://tinyurl.com/frenchflashcardswithpictures - "French Flashcards with Pictures" is an iPhone app that will help you learn French faster by using flashcards with pictures (learn over 300 most commonly used words in the English / French language from A to Z), thanks.

1951. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 6 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 02:50:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614ef6ccd04a04cb6f2b44@google.com>
Source record: 1868
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Operators Ready to Serve - fox4kc.com

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 07:01 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHjaJf6gbbGupBn8Z7OFRkQOA6oXg&url=http://fox4kc.com/2012/10/06/amateur-radio-operators-ready-to-serve/

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Amateur Radio Operators Ready to Serve
fox4kc.com
On Saturday, more than 150 amateur radio operators across the metro met at the Red Cross and community centers, hospitals and churches for an eight county communications exercise. The scenario? A New Madrid earthquake of 7-plus on the Richter scale ...
KCTV5Amateur radio operators practice earthquake drillsKCTV Kansas City

all 2 news articles

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Mike Herr hits the amateur airwaves - Gridley Herald

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 06:53 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEOUw2RZ5TgVSlC70u8EnofBOC1FQ&url=http://www.gridleyherald.com/article/20121006/NEWS/121009802/-1/googlenewssitemap

Mike Herr hits the amateur airwaves
Gridley Herald
Amateur radio operators (or ham operators as a term of affection) operate radios as a means of communication on radio frequencies separate from commercial and citizen bandwidths with consent from the Federal Communication Commission. Email; Share ...

and more

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Radio systems real heroes of new series "The Last Resort" - Examiner.com

Posted: 02 Oct 2012 06:21 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHS_RR-79e_fbGmbhq3f8sIUokHWw&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/radio-systems-real-heroes-of-new-series-the-last-resort

Radio systems real heroes of new series "The Last Resort"
Examiner.com
Ham radio was a bit in the doldrums. We were experimenting with radioteletype and some media burst, but there were still diehard AM

aficionados, though there Amateurs out there advancing the “radio arts” with huge (20 to 30 long UHF antennas) who were ...

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Amateur radio license prep class is Saturday at ERAU - Prescott Daily Courier

Posted: 03 Oct 2012 09:48 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFpr5KjYIcoGd1wPpGM2V9k9zzGAw&url=http://www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID%3D1%26SubSectionID%3D1%26ArticleID%3D111447

Amateur radio license prep class is Saturday at ERAU
Prescott Daily Courier
A one-day class to prepare interested people for the Technician level amateur radio license will be from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU), 3700 Willow Creek Road, Prescott, in room 103 of the ...

1952. Upcoming W/VE QSO Party Oct 20-21, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 05:31:02 UTC
From: kb5ylg <kb5ylg@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <8157156b-dc7c-4453-b3cb-b4d8798f48cf@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1869

We just got news in the mail to day that ARRL affiliated West Gulf Division's Tri-County Amateur Radio Club WC5C from Azle Texas operating as W5B won first place low power category in the W/VE QSO Party contest in Oct 2011 while being the first ever to qualify Bolivar Peninsula under the US Islands awards program. The next contest is Oct 20-21, 2012.

http://usislands.org/results2011.html

http://usislands.org/contest_rules.html

Drive, walk, paddle or motorboat to any qualified island and work the world!

If you even operate from home and just work remote island stations and turn in your log, you have a great chance of winning some paper!

Short wave listeners can even win paper.

We hope to work you this year.

David KB5YLG

1953. NCTECH Hamfest near Fort Worth, Texas, Nov 10, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 05:40:38 UTC
From: kb5ylg <kb5ylg@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <ae498a5d-ff9c-45ca-868a-ea98a6610229@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1870

http://www.wc5c.org for details.

Swap meet, guest speakers, ARRL forum, valuable door prizes, large facility, free parking, VE exam session...

Don't miss out!

1954. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 06:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1349589901@panix.com>
Source record: 1871
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

1955. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1349590200@panix.com>
Source record: 1872
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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1956. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 7 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 11:07:03 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3010e835402c2904cb761af6@google.com>
Source record: 1873
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS contact planned with school in Pavia, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sli2qkE2nZg/ariss_event_0910.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Tuesday October 9, 2012 at 10.00 UTC, which is 12.00 CEST, an ARISS
contact is planned with Liceo Statale Adelaide Cairoli, Pavia, Italy

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Pictures of Amateur Radio CubeSat deployment

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6rfIw0YzYsk/pictures_of_amateur_radio_cubesat_deployment.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA have released some stunning pictures showing the deployment of
CubeSats from the International Space Station last Thursday

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FITSAT-1 received on 1/4 wave baking tray antenna

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/chkrXLZKrmE/fitsat1_received_on_baking_tray_antenna.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Howard Long G6LVB has released a video showing reception of the FITSAT-1
CubeSat using just a 1/4 wave baking tray antenna

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BATC Convention - Digital TV Presentation Video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D0w0dVFAPYk/batc_convention_digital_tv_presentation_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BATC Convention is taking place this weekend in Basingstoke and a video
of the DATV-Express presentation by Charles Brain G4GUO has been released

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Radio amateurs must contribute to SA's knowledge economy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8hRQilxywOU/radio_amateurs_must_contribute_to_sa_knowledge_economy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In his keynote address at the four RTA's, the South African Radio League
President said that Radio Amateurs must contribute to the country's effort
to build an knowledge economy

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ARRL Spectrum Defense Matters

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g2zPMxkM-MM/arrl_spectrum_defense_matte
rs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The September 2012 issue of the ARRL Spectrum Defense Matters newsletter is
now available for download

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Draconid Meteor Shower

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FfnMfgvdxPo/draconid_meteor_shower.htm?
utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Earth is about to pass through a stream of debris from comet
21P/Giacobini-Zinner, source of the annual Draconid meteor shower

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14 year-old Indian ham gets Diamond DXCC

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/x09fP9uG7n4/14_year_old_ham_in_india_ge
ts_diamond_dxcc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

I am happy to inform that today my son Tom, VU3TMO got his Diamond DXCC
award from American Radio Relay League

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/A7dWUMo16Zo/october_07.htm?utm_source=f
eedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at low levels.
Earth facing Sunspots 1 579 and 1 582 are massive but non of them are
actively flaring

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TARG's First Club Night

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hgLeeg5I2aU/targ_first_club_night.htm?u
tm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The first club night of the newly formed Thames Amateur Radio Group (TARG)
was a success

1957. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 6 October 2012

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Amateur Radio Examination at Gwalior, (India)

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Amateur Station Operator Certificate examination was conducted at Gwalior.
39 candidates appeared in the examination. 25 candidates for General class
and 24 appeared for Restricted grade II. Jayu S.Bhide VU2JAU, R.K.Khetan
VU2IG, Aniket Ashtikar VU2LOL, Varuni Gaur VU2VND, Harsh Chaturvedi VU2HRR
and SWL & Treasurer of the Club Ashok Agarwal along with Amit Agarwal,
Members of the Gwalior HAMs were present at the time Examination.
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1958. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1081

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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**** IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM EDITOR: Everything is now back online. The server (hamnet.org) that hosts the OPDX mailing list, as well as all the E-mail received for the bulletins which failed on September 20th, came back online on October 1st. I would like to thank Dave, WB8APD, Sysop of the Hamnet.org, once again for getting things going again. We should be back to normal next week. Thanks for all your understanding..... 73 de Tedd KB8NW.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th-September, through Sunday, 7th-October there were 221 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3D2/c, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9X, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU,

XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7,
ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or
more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work
First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A, MONACO. Operators Max/ON5UR and Marc/ON8AK will be active as 3A/homecall
from Monaco between November 9-17th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters,
SSB only and with one station (possibly two) on the air. QSL via M0URX.
They hope to have a Web page up soon.

3D2, FIJI. Ricardo, PY2PT, one of the operators from the upcoming T30PY
and T30SIX DXpedition to Tarawa Island (OC-017), Western Kiribati, is
planning to be active as 3D2PT before and after the T30PY/T30SIX DXpedition
from the following Fiji Islands:
OC-016 - Viti Levu Island (WLOTA L0055); October 13-15th and again
between 25-27th
OC-121 - Tavarua Island; October 27th-November 3rd

Ricardo states, "The operation from Fiji, if possible, will be done in
my free time because the main focus is on the preparation for the T30PY
& T30SIX DXpedition (October 16-25th)." QSL via PY2PT.

3D2/C, CONWAY REEF. A press release sent out October 4th states: "The
3D2C team has just arrived in Suva from our return voyage from Conway
Reef. We are very pleased to have made 71,693 contacts from Conway Reef.
We expect to have QSL cards in the mail in late November. We will upload
to LoTW within six months. We are very grateful to all of our equipment
sponsors, including ICOM and ACOM. We appreciate all of the financial
support from INDEXA, NCDXF and all club and individual sponsors. We have
now placed much of our equipment into storage, and we hope to activate
other rare South Pacific entities next year. We are updating our website
with our statistics and OQRS information.
Best Regards, The World-Wide DX Team"
The 3D2C 71693 QSOs breakdown are as follows: 39829/CW, 30608/SSB,
1054/RTTY, 10/SSTV and 192/PSK31. Continent breakdown: 33%/AF, 25.21%/AS,
37.25%/EU, 33.33%/NA, 2.73%/OC and 1.15%/SA. QSL 3D2C via YT1AD, direct
(w/SAE or SASE + 1 USD for normal postage, 2 USDs for Airmail), by the
Bureau or use the OQRS on the Web page. For more details and updates,
visit the 3D2C Web page at: http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html

4S, SIR LANKA. Peter, DC0KK, will once again be active as 4S7KKG from
Sri Lanka (AS-003, WLOTA 0762) between November 9th and March 9th, 2013.
Activity will be mainly on CW and the Digital modes. QSL via DC0KK, by
the Bureau (preferred) or direct (see QRZ.com). LoTW on request. All
QSLs for all QSOs will be sent via the QSL Bureau.

5D7, MOROCCO. Operators Abdo/CN8VO, Jos/PD0JOS (CN2OS) and Francois/ON4LO
(CN2LO) will be active as 5D7AT from Agadir between October 8-21st.
Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB. QSL via ON4LO, direct or by the
Bureau. Look for more details to be published on QRZ.com.

5U, NIGER. Operators Christian/TL0A (5U5U), Paul/F6EXV (5U6E) and Jan/DJ8NK (5U8NK) are now active from Niamey until October 15th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and Digital. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3524, 7024, 10104, 14024, 18084, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3799, 7070, 14190, 18150, 21290, 24950 and 28490 kHz
Digi - 7050, 10138, 14080, 18100, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50104/CW and 50150/SSB

QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the Bureau (except 5U5U, direct only). The callsigns 5U6E and 5U8NK will be available on LoTW shortly after the operation, and on ClubLog's OQRS for both direct and Bureau QSLs. For more details, see: http://www.premiumorange.com/5u-2012

5X, UGANDA (2013). A press release sent out by the members of the F6KOP team states [edited], "After many DXpeditions in the past (5V7C, 5H1C, XT2C, J5C, TK7C, TS7C, TM7CC, IS0R, TJ9PF) and the successful PJ4C in 2012, the F6KOP team is happy to announce their next one in Uganda for February 2013. More than 20 ops, 6 stations for 12 days in this beautiful Africa country." Details from their Web page <http://www.5x2013.com> state that the operation will take place between February 6-18th, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport. They mention that "they have found the perfect place for hamradio, a large hotel with more than 6000m² for our antennas with a direct access on the beach of the Victoria lake." Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1826.5, 3524, 7024, 10104, 14024, 18074, 21024, 24892 and 28024 kHz
RX AS/OC 1821.5 and RX EU/NA 1834.5
SSB - 1850, 3785, 7120/7075, 14145, 18140, 21295, 24960 and 28480 kHz
RTTY - 1842, 3585, 7038, 10142, 14087, 18102, 21082, 24918 and 28082 kHz
PSK - 3570, 7035, 10142, 18100, 21072, 24920 and 28122 kHz
6m - 50104/CW and 50145/SSB

The team will use K3's and FT450 with ACOM 1010 into SpiderBeams, verticals and 4 Square antennas. Current operators mentioned are Franck/F4AJQ (Team Leader), Seb/F5UFX (Team Leader, WebMaster), Alain/F6ENO (Team Leader), Bob/N6OX, Dave/K4SV, Michel/FM5CD, G²rard/F2JD, Uwe/DL8OBF, Francois/ON4LO, Flo/F5CWU, Jean Jacques/F5NKX, Norbert/DJ7JC, Eric/ON7RN, Michel/F5EOT, John/F5VHQ, Jean Paul/F8BJI, Gerard/F2VX, Hans/DL1YFF, Valery/RG8K/UT7CR, Patrick/F2DX, Mike/UA9KGH and Jean-Marc/F8IXZ. Yann, F1NGP, will be their QSL Manager (100% OK Direct, ClobLog's OQRS, Bureau and LoTW). For more details and updates, see: http://www.5x2013.com

6V, SENEGAL. Vladimir, RK4FF, will once again be active as 6V7S from Le Calao in Ngaparou between October 22nd and November 3rd. No word on whether he will participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest. QSL via RK4FF.

6W, SENEGAL. Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Saly Portudal, 80 kms south of Dakar on the coast, between January 5-18th, 2013. Activity will be holiday style using the same station as last time (IC-7000 into G5RV antenna) operating mainly CW. QSL via F6BLP, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details, logs and pictures of his last operation, visit:

http://www.f6blp.org/index.php?langue&#65533;&contenu&#65533;me.php

8Q, MALDIVES. Jim, G3VDB, is intending to once again be active as 8Q7EJ from Vilamendhoo Island Resort (AS-013) between October 29th and November 11th. Activity will be holiday style mainly on 20 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign. The 2009/2010/2011 8Q7EJ logs are available on the Clublog Web page at: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8Q7EJ

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA. By the time you read this, Shou, JA1XXI, will be active as 9M2/JA1XXI from Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia (Malacca Strait) until October 15th. Activity will be holiday style on 20/15/10/6 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are 14220, 21220, 28500 and 50110 kHz. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau for JA and direct only for stations outside of Japan (SAE+1 IRC or 2 green stamps).

9U, BURUNDI. An international team of operators from ON, PA and GM will be on the air from Burundi during the second half of February 2013. In total, they have 10 operators and four stations and airing the requested callsign 9U4U (not confirmed yet). A Web site will be online soon with details and information about their plans. This Expedition is organized by the "Belgian Rockall Team".

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Kazuo, JH8PHT, is once again active as AH0KT from Saipan on Northern Mariana Island (OC-086) until October 9th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters. Look for him to also try 10 meters FM and AM. QSL via direct to his home callsign. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. PLEASE do not QSL to Saipan.

AH0/KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Kit/JA1NVF, Kowata/JF7ELG, Miho/JJ2VLY and Yutaka/JQ2GYU will be active as NH0J from Tinian Island (USI NI003S, WLOTA 3108), Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086), between October 18-22nd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and possibly some RTTY/PSK. The operators may also use their own U.S. callsigns, such as AH0J (QSL via JA1NVF), WA2O/KH0 (QSL via JF7ELG), WS2M/KH0 (QSL via JJ2VLY), and WS2Y/KH0 (QSL via JQ2GYU). QSL NH0J via JJ2VLY, direct or by the Bureau.

C5, THE GAMBIA. Members of the Radio Syd Contest Group will be active as C5A from Banjul during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are Lada/OK1DIX, Jiri/OK1DO, Petr/OK1FFU, Karel/OK1JKT, Vlada/OK1NY, Jiri/OK1RI, Vasek/OK1VVT, Joe/OM5AW and Norbert/OM6NM. QSL via OM2FY, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, see: http://www.om0c.com

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports on the following:
* On September 24th, Bill, NC1L, states, "Congratulations to the team which helped to reintroduce Amateur Radio to Kosovo, and welcome back to the airwaves to the returning Hams. As of this time Z60K, and/or any other Z6 station, will not count for any entity for DXCC awards purposes as they do not qualify under the DXCC rules. Any future change in Kosovo's DXCC status will be announced by ARRL."

* The following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
J51FD - Guinea-Bissau; 2010 Operation
"If you have had this operation rejected in a recent application, please send an e-mail to the ARRL DXCC Desk," Moore said. "Please note that due to heavy e-mail volume, you may not receive a reply. Once updated, results will appear in Logbook of The World (LoTW) accounts, as well as online in the daily listings."

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Frank, HB9BXU, and a group of other Swiss hams will be active as E51C, E51ABS, E51BZD and E51CHX, from Aitutaki Island (OC-083) between November 12-30th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands, between 1900-1200z, using CW, SSB and PSK31. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3505, 7020, 10104, 14024, 18080, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz
SSB - 3799, 7070, 14190, 18145, 21290, 24950 and 28490 kHz
PSK31 - 3580, 7035, 10139, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920 and 28120 kHz

They state that there will be no internet access and they will not be able to provide online logs during their operation. QSL via HB9BXU.

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Operators Con DF4SA, Jorge/EA7HZ, Julio EA7JB, Quillo EA7LS, Chris/EA7RU, Jorge/EA9LZ and Zoli/HA1AG will be active as ED9Z from Ceuta during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 or Mutil-Single entry. The group will be using all Spiderbeam antennas and a 40m 3 element full size beam. QSL via EA9LZ.

FM/TO9, MARTINIQUE. Robert, S53R (ex-ST2AR), will be active as TO9R from FM5BH's QTH on Martinique Island (NA-107) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside the contest, Robert will be signing FM/S53R. QSL via S53R, direct or via LoTW.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Bernhard, DL2GAC, will once again be active as H44MS on a DX vacation to Honiara, Guadalcanal (WLOTA 0086), Solomon Islands (OC-047), between October 17th and December 10th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters SSB only. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS. Operators Phil/G3SWH and Jim/G3RTE will be active from Honiara, Guadalcanal (WLOTA 0086), in the Solomon Islands between February 18-28th, 2013. The Solomon Islands are located in CQ zone 28, ITU zone 51. Guadalcanal counts as OC-047 for IOTA purposes. The "most wanted" data provided by Clublog currently shows the Solomon Islands at #81 in Europe and #77 in North America. Their activity will be on CW only on all bands 80-10 meters. There will be no 160, 60, 6 meters or EME activity. Propagation permitting, they plan to have two stations on the air for as many hours every day as is possible. Their main objective is to work as many European, North American and ROTW stations on as many different bands as possible and plan to make at least 15,000 QSOs. QSL via G3SWH, either via the OQRS facility on Phil's Web site http://www.g3swh.org.uk (recommended), direct with SAE and adequate return postage or via the traditional Bureau route. There is more information available at <www.g3swh.org.uk/h44kw.html> which will be updated from time to time.

H40 & H44, TEMOTU AND SOLOMON ISLANDS. Sigi, DL7DF, will once again lead a group of operators on a 2013 DXpedition which is being called a "Two Entities DXpedition - Solomon 2013". Sigi states on his Web page that they have chosen two destinations. The first destination will be the Guadalcandal (OC-047), Solomon Islands (H44), between March 8-25th, 2013. During the time between March 12-23rd, part of the group will be active from Nendo (OC-100), Temotu Island (H40). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. They to have several stations on the air. One station on each destination will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Their station equipment on each destination consists of 4 transceivers (3 x K2, 1 x FT857D), 3 power amplifiers, a lowband vertical for 160/80m, a deltaloop for 40, a deltaloop for 30, a Spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10, a 5 element Yagi for 6m, some Beverage antennas as well as some laptop computers. Operators mentioned are Manfred/DK1BT, Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Reiner/DL7KL, Sigi/DL7DF, Juergen/DL7UFN, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/SP3DOI. Pilot station is Bernd, DF3CB. QSL route is via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-053. Christian, J28NC, who has been in Djibouti since July, announced that he will team-up with Jean-Francois, J28UC, to activate the coral reef Islands Moucha or Maskali sometime in the near future.

AF-083. Alfredo, IK7JWY, is organizing a second DXpedition to Djerba Island (WLOTA 1394), Tunisia, between April 27th and May 4th, 2013. The group hopes to use the callsign TS8IT. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Current operators are Alfredo/IK7JWX (team leader), Antonello/IK2DUW (QSL manager), YL Rosy/IW2NLC, Ampelio/IS0AGY, Roberto/IK2PGM, Leopoldo/I8LWL, YL Titti/IK8GQY, Carlo/IK6CAC (CW), Elvira/IV3FSG, Dario/IT9SSI + YL. If interested to join, contact Alfredo at: ik7jwx2003[at]yahoo.it

AS-060. Members of the Korean Contest Club (KCC) will be active as D9K from Pigum Island, South Korea, between October 26-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters and include participation in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DS4NYE. Logs will be on ClubLog. Operators mentioned are Han/DS2GOO, Yongsup/DS3GLW, Joon-Woo/DS3MLG, Rew/DS4NYE, Rocky/HL1VAU and Kijun/HL3AMO.

AS-075. Andrea, IK7YTT, will be active as XX9TTT from Coloane Island, Guangdong Province, between October 26-29th. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. There will be activity before and after the contest, and Andrea will be on other bands. Suggested frequencies are 21285 and 14185 kHz. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or by the Bureau. For more info and updates, visit: http://www.mdxc.org/xx9ttt

NA-031. Jim, KA3UNQ, will be active from numerous lighthouses in the Rhode Island State Island group between December 6-9th. Details

and QSL information are posted on QRZ.com.

NA-034. Jacek, SP5APW, will be active as W4/SP5APW from Clearwater Island between October 15-18th. Activity will be holiday style for only a few hours a day using K3 (probably battery powered) and a Buddipole antenna. Operations will be mainly on 20/15/10 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details and updates, see: http://na-034.blogspot.com

NA-054. Rick, K6VVA, will be active as C6AVA from Berry Islands (WLOTA 1903) between December 7-11th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using mainly CW with some SSB. Rick may or may not operate in the ARRL 10m Contest (December 8-9th) depending on propagation at the time. QSL only via N6AWD, direct or by the Bureau. For more information and updates, visit: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na054

NA-112. Wayne, K9YNF, will be active as K9YNF/4 from Bogue Banks, NC, between October 21-26th. Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 14260 and 18128 kHz
PSK31 - 14070.15 and 7035 kHz
QSL via K9YNF.

NA-138. A few days before his NA-034 operation (see above), Jacek, SP5APW, will possibly be active as W4/SP5APW from Amelia Island (WLOTA 3048)for one or two days between October 12-14th. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW. For more details and updates, see: http://na-034.blogspot.com

IOTA OP (THAILAND). Eddy, ON4AFU, will once again be in Thailand to activate the following IOTAs. His schedule is as follows:
October 7-24th - Callsign HS0ZJF/8; from Koh Samui (AS-101)
October 26th-November 4th - HS0ZJF/9; from Koh Butang (AS-129)
Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW only with 100 watts into a wire antenna. QSL via ON4AFU, direct or by the Bureau.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For October). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of October:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie, G6XOU. (/A WAB Square •M22 - England & IOTA •U-005). Herbie will also operate as GX4BJC/P at times.

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom, G3RPV. (/A WAB Square •L27 - England & IOTA •U-005).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

KG4, GUANTANAMO Bay. Look for the following operators to be active from
Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) during the month of October:
October 13-27th - Ed/KN4KL (KG4KL); activity on SSTV, RTTY, SSB, PSK
and possibly CW.
October 11-27th - Bill/W4WV (KG4WV); activity on SSB, PSK, RTTY and
possibly CW.
While there, operators will be joined by the GTMO Boy Scout Troop in
the "Jamboree on the Air" (JOTA, October 20-21st). QSL via their home
callsigns.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 8-14th)....
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SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA. Dom, M1TKA, is now active as KH8/M1TKA from American
Samoa until October 11th. Activity will be on 20/17/15/12/10 meters, from
the south side of KH8, with the possibility of LF bands if he can relocate
to the north side after October 7th. QSL via his home callsign and LoTW.
For updates, see: http://m1kta-qrp.blogspot.co.uk/2012/10/qrv-in-kh8.html

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update To OPDX.1075/Possibly Moved To 2013). Bill,
N6MW, and possibly 1-2 other operators (TBA) are/will/expected to be active
as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila between November 8-19th. However,
the DXpedition's Web page states, "This DXped is still in the planning
stages, possibly will be moved to March 2013." Stay tuned! For more
details and updates, visit: http://n6mw.jimdo.com

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Jeff, N5TJ, will be active as as NP4Z from San Juan
(NA-099, USI PR006S, WLOTA 2802) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a
Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL direct to N4AO (QRZ.com)

OJ0, MARKET REEF. Operators Tomi/OG9X, Simo/OH2HAN and Juha/OH6XX will
activate Market Reef (EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, WLOTA 0542) between October
25-29th. Both OG9X and OH6XX will participate in CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 27-28th) using the OJ0B and OJ0X callsigns in a the Single-Op/
Single-Band (80m) and Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) categories, respectively,
while OH2HAN will activate other bands on RTTY mode signing OJ0MI. QSL
OJ0B and OJ0X via OH2BH and LoTW, and QSL OJ0MI via OH2HAN.

PJ4, BONAIRE (Update). Operators Marco/PE2MC, Bert/PE2KY and Peter/PJ4NX
will be active as PJ4X from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) between

November 9-16th. QSL via PE2MC. Watch for more details and updates at:
http://www.pe2mc.nl/bonaire-here-we-come-pj4pe2mc

PJ4, BONAIRE. Look for PJ4D will be once again be active between November 18th and December 1st. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Operators include Kelly/N0VD, Scott/W4PA and possibly others. PJ4D was last activated during the 10.10.10 "New DXCC" event and logged nearly 36,000 QSOs. They hope to be able to give those who still need a QSO with Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) a new one. Also, they expect to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) in one form or another. More information will be posted at <www.n0vd.com>. QSL all contacts with PJ4D via W3HNK.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 6th)

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1B1AB via N7RO EA9/EC7DZZ via EC7DZZ OR2F via ON8LDS
3A/G0VJG via G4DFI ED1DST via EA1DST (B) OZ/PA1H via PA1H
3D2FW via RZ3FW EG1RGC via EA1SV OZ/PA7PA via PA7PA
3Z2X via SP2YWL EG3RGC via EA3ACA PD35SSCS via PD2RKG
(B)
4O60GBP via 4O3Z EH2RGC via EA2AK PJ2/PB2T via PB2T
5H3NP via WB0VGI EX8BS via RW6HS (d) PJ6/G4IUF via G4IUF
5N52EAM via IK2IQD FR/DL1YAF via DL1YAF R55SAT via R3AS
5P1W via OZ1HYI GB2BT via M0XIG SN7Q via SP7GIQ
5U6E via F6EXV HB9SPACE via HB9ACA SV3/DF1XC via DF1XC
6V7X via IK2FIL HC2/UA4WHX via UA4WHX SV3/DJ5YL via DJ5YL
7P8CC via EI7CC HG56OD via HA3OD SV8/HB9AAI via HB9AAI
7Z1BL via DL1BDF II5ISS via IZ5JLW SV9/DF8DX via DF8DX
7Z7AB via 7Z1CQ JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d) SW9C via DL9USA
A60WSW via IZ8CLM KH2L via W3HNK TA4/DJ5AA via DJ5AA
CR5SB via CS5NRA LS1D via AC7DX TA4/UA9CDC via G3SWH
CT8/VE3DZ via VE3DZ OK6WFF via OK2MA VP9/OH2MQ via OH2MQ
(d)
CU2KI via OH2UA OK7O via OK1OUE ZD9UW via M0VFC
EA4/DG8KBH via DG8KBH OM2M via OM1AJM ZZ2T via PY2MNL
EA8/DL7VOA via EA8/DL7VOA OQ4T via ON4TO (B)
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

3C0E STATUS. QSL Manager Elmo, EA5BYP, has stated that the 3C0E log will be uploaded to LoTW very soon.

9N7AK QSL STATUS. 9N7AK went QRT on August 25, 2012. All direct and Bureau cards received by October 2012 have been replied to.

HR5/W9GL & HQ2GL QSL ROUTE. Ron, AC7DX, announced that he will be the QSL Manager for HR5/W9GL and HQ2GL. QSL requests for Jim at his callsign, W9GL should be direct to him only.

T6MO QSL STATUS. All direct QSLs received up to September 15th have been answered.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3Z6M, 4Z5IW, 5N6/YL2SW, 5W1SA, 9A3IH, A35YZ,
A45XR, C21YY, CT1IUA, CT2IWW, D64K, DJ3XG, EA8MT, EI25DB, GI0KOW,
GI4DOH, GW4BLE, HK1R, HR9/WQ7R, JS1NDM, JT1BV, LU4DX, LW2EIY, MI0BPB,
OS0S, P43E, PA3HIZ, PJ2/PB2T, PP1CZ, PY2YW, RA9XAU, RI1ANF, RU6CQ,
RW6C, SO2R, SP7HKK, SQ9HZM, SV1DPI, TF3SG, UA4CC, UA9LAO/4, UT3UZ,
UU7J, V73NS, VE1RGB, VE4KZ, VR2/UA3QNS, VY2TT, WP4U and ZX2B

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5R8UI, 9J2JA, 9A5AN, 9A205AN, 9M4SLL, 9M6XRO,
CO2OQ, CY9M, GU4CHY, HB9ALO, HT9H, HV0A, V85TL and VU2GSM

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SI9, SWEDEN (Special Event). Special event station SI9AM from the King
Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in
the world outside Thailand, will be active between October 13-14th, and
in the Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest (SAC). Operators mentioned are
Markus/SA3BPG, Joel/SA3BRX, Jan-Eric/SM3CER, Lars/SM3EAE, Bj&#65533;rn/SM3UQO
and G&#65533;ran/SM5SIC. SA3BPG and SA3BRX are young and newly licensed radio
amateurs and will now for the first time try contesting. They will
operate three stations, one of the currently most productive band and
one of the second best band. The third station will be a multiplier
station. Outside of the contest, activity will be on 160-10 meters.
Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
FM - 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49 - 145.612 MHz
QSL via SM3CVM, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail Bureau request are OK via
sm3cvm (at) ssa.se. For more information, visit QRZ.com or the SI9AM Web
page at: http://www.si9am.se

SPECIAL OPDX BULLETIN WENT OUT THIS WEEK. If you missed OPDX.1080.2, which
contained press releases/updates on:
* ARS GIVEWAY TO PROMOTE YOUTH IN AMATEUR RADIO (Press Release)
* CQ NEWS (Press Release) - Randy Thompson, K5ZD, Named Director
of CQ World Wide DX Contest
* CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Press Release/Update). The new dates are October
22-31st.
* LIVE BROADCAST (from MFJ's 40th Anniversary Celebration)
* ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update/Press Release). They are "making great
progress during the planning and preparation phases.

Go to the following URL to see OPDX.1080.2:
http://hamnet.org/pipermail/opdx/2012/000409.html

T8, PALAU. Kiichi, JF1LUT, is now active as T88IK from Arakabesan Island,
Koror (OC-009) until October 10th. Activity will be on 17-6 meters SSB.
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

T8, PALAU. Nob, JH1EAQ, will be active during the CQWW SSB Contest as
T88EB as a Single Op/All Band entry. QSL via JH1EAQ, Bureau or direct
to: Nob Watanabe, 6-11-2 Azuma-chou, Iruma-City SAITAMA, JAPAN 358-0002.
Nob states that this is his first time on the air in 10 years (he was
active back then as T88EA).

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, from Seltjarnarnes (EU-021, WLOTA 2975), has announced that he will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via LX1NO.

TO2, MAYOTTE. Serge, F6AML, is active as TO2M from Mayotte until October 19th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via F6AML, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail request are fine; see QRZ.com for details).

TO7, MAYOTTE. Hartwig, DL7BC, will once again be active from Mayotte (AF027, WLOTA LH 0376) between March 25th and April 12th, 2013. He is hoping to have his callsign TO7BC re-issued again. Activity will be from Bruno's, DH1BL/FH4VOS, QTH. Operations will be on 80-10 meters plus participation in CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st). He also plans to be on RTTY and PSK. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, visit it his Web site at:
http://www.qslnet.de/member/dl7bc/en_TO7BC.htm

TT8, CHAD. Members of the "Italian DXpedition Team" are now active as TT8TT from N'Djamena until October 16th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are listed in OPDX.1072. QSL direct via I2YSB. QSL by the Bureau via IK2CIO. Logs will be posted to LoTW within six months. A log search and an OQRS are all available on their Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum is at: http://bit.ly/NVQaav

TX5, FRENCH POLYNESIA (Update/IOTA Op!). Didier, F6BCW, is now active as TX5EG from Huahine Island (OC-067) until October 15th. He will activate other various French Polynesian Islands between now and November 8th. Activity will be holiday style, CW only, and using 100 watts into dipoles strung-up between coconut trees on the following islands:
October 6-15th - Huahine Island (OC-067); 40-10 meters
October 15-19th - Raiatea Island (OC-067); 30/20/17 meters
October 19-22nd - Tahaa Island (OC-067); 40/30/20/17 meters
October 22-26th - Maupiti Island (OC-067); 30/20/17 meters
October 22nd(?)-November 8th - Huahine Island (OC-067); 40-10 meters
QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

TX5, NEW CALEDONIA (Special Event). Christian, KH6/F5IDM, is expected to be active as TX5FS during the Pacific Science Festival ("F�te de la Science") which is held on Lifou Island (OC-033) and runs until October 13th. Activity will be limited to his spare time. No QSNs have been reported as of press time. QSL via F5IDM, by the KH6 Bureau or direct.
Details about the festival can be found at:
http://www.symbiose-nc.com/fds/index.php

V3, BELIZE. Rich, N0HJZ, will once again be active as V31MW from Placencia between October 21-30th. Activity will be on all bands especially 30/17/12 meters on CW during his stay except 160 meters. He will also operate as V31MW during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via N0HJZ, LoTW or direct with SASE.

V6, MICRONESIA. Operators Shoij/JA7HMZ (V63DX) and Masahiko/JA7EPO (V63EPO) will be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) between November 23-28th.

Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL via their home callsigns.
Shoij will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as V6B
and as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via JA7HMZ, direct or LoTW.

VC2, CANADA. Operators Noel/VE2BR and Gregg/VE3ZZ will once again partici-
pate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry
using the special callsign VC2B. QTH will be Mercier, Quebec (CQ Zone 5,
Grid Loc FN35ch). QSL to VE2BR, direct or by the Bureau.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Operators Dave/G3NKC, Martin/G4XUM, Stewart/GM4AFF
and George/K2DM will be active as VP2MKC, VP2MXU, VP2MAF, and VP2MDG,
respectively, between October 24-30th. The team will be active as VP2MDG
during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry.
QSL via K2DM, direct only or LoTW. QSL contacts with VP2MKC, VP2MXU and
VP2MAF are via GM4FDM.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Frank/WA2VYA, Tony/K4QE and
Jack/N2VW will be active from VP5JM's 'Hamlet' on Providenciales Island
(NA-002) between October 23-30th. The group will be there to operate in
the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as VP5T and as a Multi-Multi
entry in CQ Zone 8. QSL ONLY to N2VW, direct or by the Bureau. See QRZ.com
for more details. Logs will be upload to LoTW shortly after their operation.
Operators will be active as VP5/homecall on the island between October
23-30th, so activity before and after the contest will be on CW and on
the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL per the operators' instructions and per
QRZ.com.

VU3/P, ANTARCTICA (Bharati Base). Gianni, I1HYW, informs OPDX: "Bhagwati
Prasad is still active as VU3BPZ/P from the new Indian Base 'Bharati'
(WAP IND-04) in Antarctica, until the end of December, then he will be
onboard the 'M/V Ivan Papanin' on the way to India via Cape Town. A stop
is preview at Maitri Station (WAP IND-03) where he hopes to operate again
as VU3BPZ and when sailing the call used will be VU3BPZ/MM as done on the
way on. He is still waiting the reply for his request of a special callsign
through the Indian Ministry, and perhaps the answer will come around mid-
October. QSLs have not been printed yet and will not be available before
the end of November, so no hurry in QSLing; information to the chasers
will be given as soon as we know if the special call will be issued or not.
QSL only direct via I1HYW (QRZ.com)." More information is available on
the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it
LAST MINUTE UPDATE: Gianni, I1HYW, reports that the Bharati Base's sunrise
is at 2341z and sunset at 1347z. Local time down there is UTC +5 HRS.
There are about 46 days left for Bhagwati, VU3BPZ/P, to be there before
he leaves onboard the "M/V Ivan Papanin". If you did not work the Bharati
Station yet, the best times and frequencies are:
10m - 28495 kHz between 1100-1215z
17m - 18145 kHz between 1015-1100z
20m - 14180 kHz +/- between 1400-1500z and again between 1700-1800z
For North Americans, VU3BPZ/P will be on 14242 kHz between 0200-0300z.
If you don't hear him, call him (VU3BPZ/P), he may be just listening at
the above times and bands given.

XP, GREENLAND. Henning, OZ1BII/OU2I, will once again be active as XP2I from club station XP1AB in Kangerlussuaq between November 16-19th. Activity will be on CW in the LZ DX Contest (November 17-18th) in ITU Zone 5. Also, look for activity on the 160/80 meters during the night between November 18-19th. QSL via his home callsign.

XX9, MACAO. Operators Francisco/EA7FTR (XX9TFR), Eugene/EA5HPX (XX9TPX), Jose/EB5BBM (XX9TBM) and David/EB7DX (XX9TEX) will be active from Pousada de Coloane Hotel, Coloane Island (AS-075) between October 18-29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY, with at least 2 stations on at the same time on different bands and modes. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 1823, 3523, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24893 and 28023 kHz
SSB - 1825, 3780, 7065/7160, 14145, 18145, 21295 and 28495 kHz
RTTY - 7035, 10140, 18100, 21080, 24921 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50103/CW and SSB operations NOT PERMITTED
12m - SSB operations NOT PERMITTED

There will be an emphasis on working NA and EU. QSLs for all callsigns are via EA7FTR, direct. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW. For more details and updates, see: http://adxg.org/macau/index.php

XZ, MYANMAR (Update). Simon, HS0ZIB/G6JFY, who was active as XZ1K, is now "no longer living in Kawthaung". According to his Web site (which is "now redundant" as he calls it), Simon states, "I hope to obtain a new licence for operation from my new QTH in the capital city of Yangon". Simon informs OPDX that he plans to "live and work in Yangon on a long-term basis now." He also mentioned that he is "in contact with the telecoms Regulator who is currently updating all the outdated telecoms and radio-comms laws in Myanmar. However, right now he is very busy with the issue of new mobile telephone network licences, so I am sure that any progress in the ham radio laws will be slow. To try to improve my relationship with the government departments, I am trying to get a new job actually in the new capital city of Nay Pyi Taw, where all the government offices are located..."

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators John/K6AM, Bob/K5WA, George/K5PI and David/N6AN will be signing ZF1A from Grand Cayman Island (NA-016, WLOTA LH-1042) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via K6AM, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1959. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 7 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 16:44:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c7dec9736604cb7ad023@google.com>
Source record: 1876
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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4S7KKG Sri Lanka 2012 2013

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 12:16 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364000-4S7KKG-Sri-Lanka-2012-2013&goto=newpost

DC0KK will be active from Sri Lanka again 9 November 2012 - 9 March 2013 as
4S7KKG

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ews_2012_2013/

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JOTA cluster (still) available

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 02:43 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363968-JOTA-cluster-(still)-available&goto=newpost

In the weekend of 19/20 October, many JOTA stations will be on air. To
assist JOTA stations in finding each other, there is a special JOTA cluster
available. Either via Telnet port 7300 (for use with programs like DXLink)
at pi4raz.nl or via a web interface (can post also through web interface).
The cluster has been continuously online for 3 years now and the number of
JOTA users is still growing. So, if you're assisting scouts this year,
don't forget to keep an eye on the cluster!

1960. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 7 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 16:49:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340393cbba4604cb7ae26c@google.com>
Source record: 1877
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Update: HRD newsletter

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 05:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?363987-Update-HRD-newsletter&goto=newpost

HRD Starts weekly newsletter to paid customers and beta tester comments on 6.0

Tampa, FL October 6. 2012

HRD Software, LLC announced today that their paid subscribers will now be getting a weekly newsletter with updates on the company and version 6.0.

Erin Butler, KJ4MFO, head of HRD marketing said, ☐I☐m glad we finally are able to update the userbase weekly. It took a few weeks to get the thousands of paid users email addresses into our new mailer, but once that was done, and all the hiccups fixed, we now can send the newsletter out every Friday to the paid userbase☐

Erin spent many hours building and debugging the server, as well as creating and maintaining the newsletter and website. She is getting many compliments from the hams on how simple and uncluttered the information in the newsletter is.

The newsletter can be seen the weekend after by all users at http://www.hrdsoftwarellc.com/newsletter/news.html .

Each week, Erin will have the ☐featured feature☐ of HRD 6.0. The first feature featured was QSX in the cluster and the current featured feature is the SuperSweeper in RTTY mode. (Shown here)

DM780-Screenshot-2012-09-28-222241.jpg

The beta team continues to test the new version of Ham Radio Deluxe. New beta tester, WD5EAE, Stephen Genusa, said, ☐I've gone through the logbook, setup callsign lookups and played with some of the basic functionality and I'm already blown away by the scores of improvements and new functionality. But I just realized, I haven't even opened DM780. Plus, there's more customization stuff I haven't even touched. What has been done is amazing!☐

Version 6.0 will have a free full featured 30 day demo mode. This way, hams will be able to try the 6.0 products new features.

The retail price for version 6.0 is $79.95, but you can pre order and save $10. To purchase and download the product go to http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD YouTube Channel: http://www.youtube.com/HRDSoftware

Attached Images

DM780-Screenshot-2012-09-28-222241.jpg
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1961. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 7 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 18:38:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357a16e435e04cb7c6a7d@google.com>
Source record: 1878
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Series Five Episode Twenty-One - Homebrew Voice Keyer

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1917:series-five-episode-twenty-one-homebrew-voice-keyer&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-episode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty-One of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has
been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Chris Howard
(2E0CTH) reviews a Homebrew Voice Keyer.

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RSARS e-docs library available online

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 10:17 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1916:rsars-e-docs-library-available-online&catid=34:amateur--ham-radio-software--websites&Itemid=100004

The Royal Signals Amateur Radio Society (RSARS) has made available a number
of articles in PDF format

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2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 10:15 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1915:2012-barry-goldwater-amateur-radio-award-&catid=36:amateur--ham-radio-awards-and-contesting&Itemid=100002

The Radio Club of America announced this week that William A. Tynan, W3XO
is the recipient of its 2012 Barry Goldwater Amateur Radio Award.

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Chinese student club complete in CQWW DX SSB Contest

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 09:42 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1914:chinese-student-club-complete-in-cqww-dx-ssb-contest&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

YinZhou Middle School Amateur Radio Club Station,located in NingBo City,
Zhejiang Province, will be active as BY5CD during the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(27-28 October) as a Multi-Op/All-Band entry.

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Emergency wireless system to close

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 09:41 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1913:emergency-wireless-system-to-close&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

An emergency wireless communications system in Sussex is to be scrapped.

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Sweden loses 2.3 GHz band

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 09:08 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1912:sweden-loses-23-ghz-band&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Swedish radio amateurs have lost the 2300 MHz band although they have
gained some spectrum at 1.8 MHz.

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Dundalk Amateur Radio Theory Classes

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Radio Theory Classes, run by the Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, will
commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises ‘Larkin House’, 113,
Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam
early in 2013.

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FITSAT-1 - signal reports requested

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 09:02 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1910:fitsat-1--signal-reports-requested&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

As well as a 437.250 MHz CW beacon, the amateur radio CubeSat FITSAT-1
(aka NIWAKA) will carry an Optical Communications experiment that aims to
write Morse Code across the night sky.

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First RSGB ARDF world champion

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http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1909:first-rsgb-ardf-world-champion&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

The Amateur Radio Union of Serbia hosted the 16th IARU World ARDF
Championships last weekend and one of the RSGB M70 team won the gold medal.

1962. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 7th October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 20:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121007200003.CED9F33C9A@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1879
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 7th October 2012

Condolences

For those who may have missed the Radio News on Sunday last we regret to inform you of the death last weekend of Mary McCague the mother of S&#65533;amus EI8BP the President of the Society. The funeral took place in Clones on Monday last. To S&#65533;amus, to his sisters Mary and Sheila, to his brother Eugene and to the wider family we extend our sincerest sympathy. May she rest in peace.

DXCC List

The updated list of EI call signs in the ARRL DXCC List - which can be seen at www.irts.ie/dxcc - shows that Declan EI6FR, who tops the 'Honor Roll' of EI call signs, has been busy increasing his DXCC credits on most of the HF bands. Jim EI9GLB, a relatively recent entrant to the DXCC list, has increased by 50 the number of entities confirmed, while Michal EI3KG has entered the DXCC list for the first time. Michal was a member of the EJ0PL team which operated from the Saltee Islands for this year's IOTA contest and is a keen CW operator.

Marconi Clifden 2012 Event

The Marconi Heritage weekend takes place over the weekend of October 12th to 14th at Clifden. More information is available on facebook.com/clifden2012.

Limerick Radio Club

The next meeting of Limerick Radio Club will be on Wednesday 10th October in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 1930. Following on from a very active Summer period of events, the next number of meetings will concentrate on upcoming events including a possible IOTA dxpedition, theory classes and practical sessions. Keep an eye on www.limerickradioclub.ie for updates.

South Dublin Radio Club

On Tuesday 9th October at the South Dublin Radio Club Declan EI6FR will present a slideshow on his IOTA DXpedition to St. Kilda in May of this year.

On Tuesday 30th of October Chris G0FDZ will be giving a talk on the UK VHF beacon GB3VHF http://www.gb3vhf.co.uk

The club is open from 8pm every Tuesday and all visitors are more than welcome.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held October 17th, October 31st and on November 5th, the start of the classes. All are welcome to enrol. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

DX News

OH2YY and OH1TV are QRV until 12 October from Christmas Island. They are using the callsign VK9XM. They plan to be active on all bands 40 - 10m on SSB and CW. QSLs go via OH2YY.

Noel WB0VGI will be operating as 5H3NP from Tanzania until mid-December. He will use dipoles on the HF bands. QSL to his home call.

Cicero PY7ZY will be in Fiji from 11 - 15 October and will operate as 3D2ZY. With him will be Fred PY2XB who will sign 3D2XB. They are part of the Western Kiribati DXpedition team which will sign T30PY from 16 - 25 October.

A special event station to commemorate the centennial of the 1912 London International Radiotelegraphic Convention is on the air till the end of the month. The convention resulted in the earliest allotment of call letters to identify countries. The special event station which is located in the Netherlands is using the callsign PB100PREFIX. The QSL Manager is PB0P.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

1963. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1834 - October 5 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-07 21:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121007210005.0EB3A33C9A@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1880
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1834 - October 5 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1834 with a release date of
October 5 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1. The following is a QST. 200

micro sized ham-sats to be orbited in a single launch; Radio Amateurs
of Canada wins a 5 year exemption for Ontario hams in distracted
driving legislation; the European Parliament gets involved in the BPL
controversary and the 2012 Scouting Jamboree on the Air is almost here.
Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number
1834 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: 200 MICRO HAM BIRDS TO BE LAUNCHED IN ONE MISSION

Two hundred tiny ham radio satellites will be going into space in the
not to distant future. The project is called KickSat and we have more
in this report.

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KickSat is an amateur radio CubeSat technology mission designed to
demonstrate the deployment and operation of prototype Sprite or tiny
ChipSats developed at Cornell University. The KickSat spaceframe is a
CubeSat being built to carry and deploy 200 Sprites that will provide
an avionics bus that will provide power, communications, command and
data handling functions. It will be mated with a 2 unit deployer that
has been developed to house the Sprites.

Approximately 200 Sprites will be stacked atop a spring-loaded pusher
and secured by a nichrome burn wire system. Once on-orbit, the wire
burns away the Sprites will spring out into space.

As to the Sprites, these are tiny spacecraft that includes power,
sensor, and communication systems. Its built on a printed circuit
board measuring 3.5 by 3.5 cm with a thickness of 2.5 mm and a mass of
about 5 grams. The Sprite is intended as a general purpose sensor
platform for micro-electro-mechanical or other chip-scale sensors with
the ability to downlink data to ground stations from Low Earth Orbit.

After deployment, telemetry and sensor measurements from the individual
Sprites will be received through Cornell's ground station in Ithaca,
New York, as well as several other amateur radio ground stations around
the world. The Sprites are expected to re-enter the atmosphere and

burn up within a few days or weeks depending on atmospheric conditions. Their best case maximum orbital lifetime is estimated at 6 weeks.

The development team is currently investigating uses for the KickSat spaceframe after the Sprite deployment and is seeking collaborators who could make use of its capabilities as part of another extended mission.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Studio in Los Angeles.

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ChipSats like these Sprites represent a new technology that will both open space access to hobbyists and students and enable new types of science missions. A significant portion of KickSat has been financed by over 300 individual sponsors through a funding website. More is on-line at www.spacecraftresearch.com/KickSat. (KickSat)

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WORLDBEAT: RAC WINS 5 YEAR EXTENSION FOR HAM RADIO FROM ONTARIO DISTRACTED DRIVING LAW

Some good news for hams living north of the United States and Canadaian border. Radio Amateurs of Canada says that it has received written confirmation from Minister Bob Chiarelli of the Ontario Provincial Government regarding a five year extension of exemption for radio amateurs to the Ontario province distracted driving law.

In his letter, Minister Chiarelli explains that the current exemptions for both Amateur Radio and Two Way Commercial Radios will be extended until January 1st, 2018. He also expresses his hope that in that time commercial hands free alternatives will be found for two way radios.

While Radio Amateurs of Canada says that it finds victory in the five year extension, it also says that a permanent solution is desired. As such it will continue to pursue a permanent exemption for amateur radio operators in Ontario provance.

Similar exemptions already exist in many other provincial jurisdictions in Canada. This, thanks in part to the efforts of local amateurs and Radio Amateurs of Canada's national strategy to address distracted driving legislation. (RAC, VE4WO)

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THE BPL FIGHT: EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT MEMBERS QUESTION INTERFERENCE FROM PROPOSED OPLT STANDARD

Ham radio operators in the UK have some new allies in their fight against a proposed pan-European Power Line Technology or PLT standard and the interference it could cause to broadcast as well as shortwave radio reception. This as questions are raised by two legislators it in the European Parliament about it. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim

Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports:

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Syed Kamall is a Member of the European Parliament or MEP representing the city of London in the UK. He says that he has been contacted by several of his constituents who are concerned about a proposed standard for power line transmission devices. According to MEP Kamall, these constituents believe that if this standard is approved, the level of interference to all broadcast radio reception would increase to a level making it impossible to listen to a radio.

Those concerned explained to him that in 2011 a power line telecommunications electromagnetic compatibility standard was proposed by the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization. Kamall's constituents allege that the proposed standard was rejected by a majority of the National Standards Committees while many suggested improvements to the proposed standard. Some comments reaching him questioned the very high radio pollution levels that would be permitted from these devices, while other suggestions were aimed at improving the test methodology.

MEP Kamall goes on to note that while a revised version of the PLT standard is about to be circulated, his constituents believe it to be identical to the previously rejected standard, and that it rejects the suggestions from the National Standards Committees. Also that his constituents claim that representatives of PLT equipment manufacturers dominate the Working Group that wrote the proposed standard and are lobbying National Standards Committees to support that standard. This is because it would provide a legal basis for high PLT emission levels.

MEP Kamall is joined in his concern by Sir Graham Watson who is the Member of the European Parliament for South West England and Gibraltar. MEP Watson notes that his constituents also tell him that even though the Commission's Electromechanical Committee advisor has been notified that the proposed PLT standard does not meet the essential requirements of the EMC Directive, that the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization has ignored this advice. Also that it will continue to push the proposed PLT standard to be voted by the National Standards Committees. He then notes that concerns have been expressed that the possible new PLT standard may not be compliant with European Commission law.

Both legislators want to know if the Commission shares the concerns of their respective constituents over the proposed PLT Electromagnetic Compatibility standard. MEP Syed Kamall is even more direct. He asks that if the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization approves the proposed standard, is the Commission able to block it, and will it do so until it is deemed to meet the requirements of the EMC Directive?

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, down-under in Nelson, New Zealand.

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In his questions to the European Parliament Sir Graham Watson asks if the Commission confident that the new standard will satisfactorily comply with the European Union rules as set out in the EMC Directive? He also wants to know what dialogues have Commission officials held with European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization to ensure compliance. Meantime the UK ham radio community awaits replies to both of these inquiries. PLT in the Europe is very similar to what we call in-home access BPL here in the United States. (Southgate, UKQRM, others)

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WORLDBEAT: ACMA ISSUES SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL OWEN, VK3KI - S.K.

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has issued a special tribute to Wireless Institute of Australia President and IARU Region 3 Chairman, Michael Owen VK3KI, who died unexpectedly Saturday, September 22nd.

According to the news release, the Australian Communications and Media Authority was saddened to hear of the death of Michael Owen. He was responsible for significant reform of the Wireless Institute of Australia, was well known across the A-C-M-A and had worked closely with many staff on a range of issues, including several meetings and discussions in recent weeks.

The release ends by stating that the Australian Communications and Media Authority extends its condolences to the amateur community that Michael so tirelessly and effectively represented, as well as to his friends and family. (ACMA)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N0DRC repeater serving Trinidad, Colorado.

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RESCUE RADIO: NTIA ASKS FOR COMMENT ON CREATION OF FIRSTNET

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration, better known by the acronym NTIA has issued a notice of inquiry. This, seeking comment on how it should set up a nationwide, interoperable public safety broadband network that it calls FirstNet. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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By way of background, this past February Congress enacted The Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012. One of its provisions was to create a nationwide interoperable broadband network that will help police, firefighters, emergency medical service professionals and other public safety officials to keep in contact with one another during extreme emergency or disaster situations.

The law's governing framework for the deployment and operation of this network, which is to be based on a single, national network architecture, is the new "First Responder Network Authority" or FirstNet. This is an independent authority within NTIA.

FirstNet will hold the spectrum license for the network. It will also be charged with taking all actions necessary to build, deploy, and operate the network. This, in consultation with Federal, State, tribal and local public safety entities, and other key stakeholders.

The NTIA has given the public until November 1st to comment on the conceptual architecture of such a network as outlined at the first FirstNet board of directors meeting that was held on September 25th. It also is seeking input on a business plan and on developing applications for public safety users.

Comments to the NTIA on this proposed first responder system can be e-mailed to firstnetnoi (at) ntia (dot) doc (dot) gov.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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More about the proposed FirstNet system is on line at www.ntia.doc.gov/category/public-safety. (NTIA, B&C)

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COMMUNICATIONS HAPPENINGS: NAB PUTS OUT CALL FOR NAB 2013 PAPERS

The 2013 National Association of Broadcasters convention is accepting technical paper or session proposals until October 19th. This for presentation at its gathering slated for next April 6th to the 11th at the Las Vegas Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Submissions must relate to the creation and distribution of media and filmed entertainment. Conferences scheduled so far include Broadcast Engineering, Broadcast Management, Cloud Computing, Creative Master Series, Disruptive Media and Military and a Government Summit.

If you have a presentation that you feel might qualify, take your web browser to tinyurl.com/nab-presentations-2013 and read the page titled Speaking Opportunities. (NAB)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: AA7BQ ANNOUNCES SERVER UPGRADES AT QRZ.COM

Some improvements at QRZ.com. Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, reports that he has added an additional server to the QRZ system and moved a few things around to improve performance for all users. Among the changes are that all servers have been upgraded to the latest Ubuntu Linux Edition 12.04. Also, various functions have been interchanged between the various cloud servers that host QRZ.com at Amazon Web Services.

AA7BQ says that so far the performance looks really great on all parts of the system. He notes that the callsign server, which was routinely at 90% busy now loafs along at around 50%.

You can read about all the changes made by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/qrz-improved-service. (QRZ.com)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. The award is presented to an amateur or group of amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through amateur radio. Full details on the nomination process can be found at www.arrl.org/international-humanitarian-award. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: SUNITA WILLIAMS KD5PLB IS NEW COMMANDER OF THE ISS

Turning to names in the news. NASA astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, who holds the record for the longest spaceflight by a woman, is the new Commander of the International Space Station. Williams took over the leadership role on Saturday September 15th becoming only the second female commander in the orbiting lab's 14-year history.

Sunita Williams is a captain in the U.S. Navy and flying on her second long-duration space mission. She first launched into space in 2007 and spent 195 consecutive day's on-orbit and setting a record for the longest single spaceflight by a female astronaut.

Williams launched to the station in July. She will command its Expedition 33 crew before returning to Earth in November. (NASA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K5ZD APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF CQ WORLD WIDE DX CONTEST

CQ Contest Hall of Fame member and WPX Contest Director Randy Thompson, K5ZD, has been named Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contest, effective immediately. Thompson succeeds Bob Cox, K3EST, who retired in September after 35 years at the helm of the world's most popular amateur radio contest.

Thompson, 53, has been a ham since age 13. He is an accomplished contester, having multiple wins in the CQ World Wide DX Contest and the

CQ WPX Contest, among others. He has also competed in four World Radiosport Team Championships. In addition, Randy is a past editor of the "National Contest Journal" and a co-founder of the eHam.net website. He is a longtime member of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club and an instructor at K3LR's Contest University.

Thompson has been Director of the CQ WPX Contest since 2008 and his appointment to the directorship of the CQ World Wide DX Contest creates a vacancy for director of the CQ WPX Contests. Anyone interested in taking on the challenge of leading a major contest should contact Thompson by e-mail to k5zd (at) cqwpx (dot) com. (CQ)

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAM OWNED INTERNET ONLY RADIO STATION TO HOLD RADIOTHON TO COMBAT BREST CANCER

A ham that operates an on-line only radio station will be holding a three-day radiothon later this month. This, to raise awareness of, and funding to combat of Brest Cancer.

According to Bill Bergadano, KA2EMZ, of Radio Scooter International, the event will be held on October 19, 20 and 21 and will honor Jeri James who passed away from the disease last December. Bergadano says that James father was a ham radio operator.

More about this very special humanitarian event is on-line at radioscooterinternational.net/id130.html. (KA2EMZ)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: LA GRANGE GA. 6 METER NET CELEBRATES 1ST BIRTHDAY

A word of congratulations to the LaGrange, Georgia, 6 meter Buzzard Net that celebrated its first anniversary session on Monday, October 1st. According to Bob Yates, W4GCB, this is an informal net, created one year ago with the goal of promoting activity on 6 meters in the LaGrange area.

LaGrange, Georgia, is located 60 miles southwest of Atlanta near the southern boundary between Grid Squares EM72 and EM73. The net control is Ed Ekkebus, KE4EE, with assistance from Rob Momon, N4VPI. The net meets every Monday evening on 50.155 Mhz at 00:30 UTC.

W4GCB says that during its first 12 months of operation the net has garnered close to 1,500 check in's, with a handful coming from E-skip contacts. (W4GCBL)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY TO THE HUNTSVILLE ARC

And congratulations also to the Huntsville Alabama Amateur Radio Club on its 50th Anniversary.

The first Huntsville Amateur Radio Club was organized on October 6, 1947, with Bill Neal, W4FZD, as the first President. The constitution was approved March 22, 1948. There were twenty-two members of this initial organization but due to a lack of interest, the club was disbanded in the spring of 1949.

The second Huntsville Amateur Radio Club also known as HARC was organized April 18, 1952, at the WFUN Studio. John Garrison, W4FOG, elected as the first President.

The constitution and by-laws were adopted June 20, 1952. 16 members were on the first club roster and the club participated in its first Field Day event on June 21 and 22, 1952. HARC became affiliated with the American Radio Relay League on September 26, 1952, and remains so to this day.

The first club call, K4DTV, was obtained in July of 1954. The club's current callsign K4BFT, in honor of Hammond Carpenter, K4BFT was voted in by the club members on April 3, 1964. More about the history of the Huntsville group is on-line at harc.net. (HARC)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: FATHER AND SON AWARDED DOCTORATES IN ENGINEERING

It is not often that a father and son obtain doctorates in engineering during the same week. But it has happened and the latest involves two hams in South Africa. Amateur Radio Newsline's Hewather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, reports:

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Dr. Gary Immelman. ZS6YI, and his son Dr. Quintin Immelman, ZS6IY, both acquired doctorates in engineering during the same week, but from different universities. Gary Immelman obtained a Doctorite is Technologiae Engineering and Technology from the Vaal University of Technology. Quintin acquired his Ph.D. in Mechanical-Nuclear Engineering from South Africas North West University. The two graduation ceremonies were not originally planned to fall within the same time frame, so chance made it at remarkable week to remember. It should be noted that last year at this time ZS6YI was recovering from gunshot wounds that he suffered as a result of a brutal attack at his home on July 25 of 2011. Late word is that hes almost fully back to good health but still has pain in his right arm and abdomen. That

said, the incident has not slowed him down in any way. For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Heather Butera-Howell, KB3TZD, near Berwick Pennsylvania.

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Our congratulations to both ZS6YI and ZS6IY and their achievements. (SARL)

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WORLDBEAT: SOUTH AFRICA REVITALIZES HAMNET DOMAIN

South Africa's Hamnet website was reactivated on October 1st. Hamnet is a voluntary group of radio amateurs who, like ARES in the United States, volunteer their communication skills to assist others during and after disasters.

Their Hamnet domain has been dormant for many years. Now thanks to the efforts of Dawie Conradie, ZR6DHC, an initial site has been put together and will grow with time.

The revitalized Hamnet website is described as filling the gap between the South African Radio League website and the well established Hamnet Facebook page.

All links have been incorporated in the website, including some that are international. Its located in cyberspace at www.hamnet.co.za, (SARL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: UKCUBE TO LAUNCH IN MARCH 2013

Turning to ham radio space related news, word that UKube-1, the United Kingdom Space Agency's first CubeSat mission, has booked its journey into space on board a Russian Soyuz-2 rocket. The launch from Kazakhstan is expected to take place sometime in March of 2013. The tiny satellite carries an amateur radio 435 to 145 MHz linear transponder built by members of AMSAT-UK. (AMSAT UK)

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RADIO NEAR SPACE: HIGHEST AND FASTEST EVER SKY DIVE ATTEMPT OCTOBER 8

A high altitude sky-diver plans to leap from nearly 23 miles above the Earth on October 8th. This, in a high sped plunge that, if successful, will be the world's highest ever skydive. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Damron, N8TMW, has the details:

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If all goes according to plan, a helium-filled balloon will lift off from Roswell, New Mexico on that date carrying Felix Baumgartner to an altitude of 120,000 feet in a custom built capsule that will keep him

in radio contact with the personnel at his mission control center on the ground. Once at altitude, Baumgartner will step out of the capsule and jump back toward Earth in his attempt to break a skydiving record that has stood for 52 years.

The current record for world's highest skydive stands at 102,800 feet. It was set in 1960 by U.S. Air Force Captain Joe Kittinger, who serves as an adviser for Baumgartner's mission. If Baumgartner succeeds, he will break not only that mark but also the sound barrier, becoming the first skydiver ever to fall at supersonic speeds. During a July 25th jump, Baumgartner's top freefall speed was 540 mph which is about as fast as a commercial airliner flies.

According to Baumgartner's launch team, this is more than a simple attempt at setting a world's record. If successful it will prove the viability of the next generation of space suits that can be worn by astronauts and cosmonauts working in the near space environment.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, reporting.

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A video of July 25th practice jump is on-line at tinyurl.com/high-jump-one. The mission's own website is at www.redbullstratos.com. (Published news reports)

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RADIO IN SPACE: ISS SPACE DEBRIS AVOIDANCE MANUVER CALLED OFF

Plans to move the International Space Station to a slightly different orbit were called off on Thursday, September 27th. This after controllers determined that two pieces of orbital debris would not pose a collision risk.

According to NASA, Mission controllers had been monitoring debris from an old Russian Cosmos satellite and a fragment from an Indian rocket. Some scientists had said there was a chance that the debris could come close enough to require an adjustment in the station's orbit.

But NASA said additional tracking of the debris resulted in a high degree of confidence that neither object would pose any possibility of a collision with the ISS. As a result, Mission Control in Houston canceled the debris avoidance maneuver with concurrence of Russian flight controllers.

Space debris moves at a high orbital velocity rate and has the ability to cause damage to various operational on-orbit birds including the ISS. As such, flight engineers and spacecraft controllers try to give such space junk a wide berth whenever something might come close.

(NASA)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING JAPANS HEALTH AND WELFARE FESTIVAL

On the air listen out for special event station 8J7NPMG. It will be operational through October 16th from Miyagi prefecture on Honshu Island to celebrate the 25th All Japan Health and Welfare Festival. QSL only via bureau. (DXNL)

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ON THE AIR: NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE WEEK SPECIAL EVENT

Also, the National Wildlife Refuge Special Event is slated for October 14th to the 20th and ham radio will again be helping to mark the occasion. The goal is to combine the communication skills of amateur radio operators with their enjoyment of the outdoors as a way to help others learn about the National Wildlife Refuge System. Only authorized, safe, responsible access to refuges are sanctioned by this event. For more information please contact the events coordinator at info (at) nwrweek-radio (dot) info. (Arizona ARRL Newsletter)

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BREAK 3

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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In DX, OD5RW is on the air from Lebanon operating on 80 meters through 70 centimeters using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and other digital modes. He also has D-Star capability on VHF and UHF. QSL via K8NA.

F6EXV and DJ8NK will be active from Niger through October 15th as 5U6E and 5U8NK respectively. Operation will be on the High Frequency bands though modes have not been announced. QSL 5U6E via F6EXV and 5U8NK via DJ8NK.

F6AML will be active from Mayotte Island through October 19th as T-Oh-2-M. He will be operational on 80 through 10 meter CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

N6XT and N7CQQ currently active portable KH8 from American Samoa. They are reported to be operational on all of the High Frequency bands using various modes. QSL via home calls

DJ7RJ will be on the air from Reunion Island signing stroke FR until October 21st. He plans to be active on all bands 10 to 160 meters using CW and SSB. QSL as directed on the air.

LZ1CNN has received his Afghan callsign and plans to be active as T6LG until next February. He'll be on all bands, CW and SSB. QSL via L-Zed-1-Zed-F and all QSO's will be uploaded to Logbook of The World.

Lastly, and down the DX road a bit word that K2TTT will be operational as C6ATT from New Providence Island between June 8th to the 15th, 2013. Activity will be on 40 through 10 meters. QSL via K2TTT.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: JOTA 2012 - OCTOBER 20-21

And finally this week, the biggest event of the scouting season involving ham radio is drawing near. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramovich, NT3V, is here with the details:

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It's the largest Scouting event in the world. Last year, it drew more than 750,000 Scouts in 150 countries to the ham radio frequencies manned by 6,000 amateur radio operators.

It's the 55th annual Jamboree on the Air which which runs the weekend of Oct. 20-21. Jim Wilson, K5ND, national Jamboree on the Air organizer for the United States as well as chairman of the national Radio Scouting committee, says it's a chance for amateur radio to introduce young men and women to the adventure and fun of the hobby...

"It's not a contest, it's a conversation," Wilson says. "And, there's no prizes handed out for the number of contacts that you make. Instead, it's about talking with Scouts, and, ideally, Scouts talking with other Scouts - either across town, across the state, across the nation, or across the world."

Wilson says in the United States, many Scout councils will be conducting camporees on JOTA weekend and amateurs will set up stations and put the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers on the air.

He says the neatest thrill for operators taking part in the event is facilitating a Scout working a DX contact, and ideally talking with a Scout overseas...

"The real excitement is seeing a Scout's eyes light up as they realize that they're communicating over such a long distance and how all this gear comes into play," says Wilson.

Wilson says he's already spoken with a few JOTA station organizers who are planning something special for the Scouts....

"They like to have the Scouts build their own antenna, test the antenna to see what the Standing Wave Ratio is and all that sort of stuff and then put it on the air and make a contact," Wilson says. "So, it's a simple dipole, a very easy way for them to do hands on and then watch as the result of their work makes a contact. It can be a very exciting experience for that Scout."

Wilson says there will be lots of activity on the air that weekend, including a scheduled contact from the BSA's Scouting museum in Texas with the International Space Station.

But he cautions amateurs need to make sure they brush up on those third-party agreements to ensure everyone stays legal.

Wilson says there's another very important reason to roll out the welcome mat for the Scouts... "Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and Venturers that will be participating in Jamboree on the Air are the same people that are going to be writing the regulations for your antennas at your neighborhood level, at the city level, at the state level, at the federal level," Wilson says. "And now is a good time to reach out to them to say amateur radio has real value, it's making a difference in the world. This is the time to reach them.

"And JOTA is a great way to do that not only to grow the ranks of amateur radio, but to just introduce kids who may never participate in amateur radio so that they understand that it's magic, it's fun, and it contributes to our communities in a very positive way."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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More information on JOTA 2012 is on-line at www.scouting.org/jota.aspx. The scouts say that they hope to make contact with you on the air.

(NT3V)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, saying 73 from Vero Beach, Florida, and we thank you for listening.

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Date: 2012-10-08 01:39:20 UTC
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1965. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 7 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-08 02:09:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403935c123304cb82b40d@google.com>
Source record: 1882
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Emergency radio operators simulate natural disaster communications - WAAY

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 08:55 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHwH0JwFKjGvitelqzJVbslOQjPGw&url=http://www.waaytv.com/news/local/story/Emergency-radio-operators-simulate-natural/klS_qiX-7UK9KOfEFgmjhA.cspx

Emergency radio operators simulate natural disaster communications
WAAY
“Were actually doing this in a real format. Well have a lot of radio amateur operators we call them Hams and then a lot of our served agencies, whether its crisis services, the American Red Cross, some of the churches, all these different places that ...

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Meeting place Oct. 7 - Greenville Daily Reflector

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 11:57 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4oOcJppfJjECzjGVeQO7ao8Jx9A&url=http://www.reflector.com/look/go-guide-calenders/meeting-place-oct-7-1249211

Meeting place Oct. 7
Greenville Daily Reflector
AMATEUR RADIO: The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at VFW Post Home 7032, 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Antique Radio Club: The East Carolina Antique Radio Club meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Sheppard Memorial ...

1966. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 8 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-08 11:09:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3005154c09eb1604cb8a421d@google.com>
Source record: 1883
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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ILLW draws attention to lighthouses

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AbxRgJqAKPI/illw_draws_attention_to_lighthouses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

About 80 qualified marine structures from 18 countries have so far registered for the next International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend. The annual 48 hour fun event held on the third full weekend in August is how amateur radio activity increases public awareness of the need to preserve the historic navigation devices

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Alfresco HF operating

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uQHFCberp4w/alfresco_hf_operating.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dave M0TAZ has been doing some alfresco HF operating (at 10:30PM), this video shows a 7MHz contact with Sam W2UHA

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/azHNaKBxUsk/dxcc_report_0810.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th-September, through Sunday, 7th-October there were 221 countries active

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10m Amateur Radio SSTV

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bg9hFkADnmw/10m_amateur_radio_sstv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There has been plenty of Slow Scan TV (SSTV) activity in the 28 MHz band as this video shows

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New Amateur Radio Forum

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Southgate Amateur Radio News has just launched a new amateur radio forum board

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Amateur Radio Operators Ready to Serve

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On Saturday, more than 150 amateur radio operators across the metro met at the Red Cross and community centers, hospitals and churches for an eight county communications exercise

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IOTA news from OPDX

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Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Mike Herr hits the amateur airwaves

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The Gridley Herald reports on Mike Herr WA6ARA who got his amateur radio license 42 years ago at the age of 15

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Essex Advanced Revision Course

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The next Advanced revision course run by the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) starts Thursday, October 25

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Monday's ARISS contact on IRLP and Echolink

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Please join us in listening to an International Space Station school
contact planned with participants at St George’s International School,
Luxembourg on 08 Oct. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately
10:47 UTC

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Tuesday's ARISS contact on IRLP and Echolink

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YOOOb0aXs18/ariss_audio_event_0910.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to an International Space Station school
contact planned with participants at Liceo Statale Adelaide Cairoli, Pavia,
Italy on 09 Oct. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately 10:00 UTC

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Conway Reef DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6oiX5vAMjcI/conway_reef_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The team are very pleased to have made 71,693 contacts from Conway Reef.
They expect to have QSL cards in the mail in late November and will upload
to LoTW within six months

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hpk3O2jtT2s/history_08_october.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

1967. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 7th October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-08 12:00:18 UTC
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 7th October 2012

The news headlines:

RSGB Convention lectures

Response to Ofcom's consultation on the future use of VHF spectrum

CubeSats deployed

The RSGB Convention takes place at Horwood House near Milton Keynes next weekend, 12 to 14 October. The final programme is on the website at www.rsgb.org/rsgbconvention/. We are pleased to announce that Patrick, ON4HIL will be speaking both Saturday and Sunday on the recent DXpedition to Rockall and Carlo, ON4BR will be speaking on Sunday about the TN2T DXpedition. Howard Long, G6LVB will introduce the AMSAT FUNcube Dongle Pro+: a DC-to-Daylight Software-Defined Radio on Saturday and Dr Colin Forsyth will look at The Sun and The Sky and How Space Weather Affects Radio Signals on Sunday 14th. Finally, visitors also have the chance to hear Gregg Marco, W6IZT speak about the award winning HK0NA DXpedition on both Saturday and Sunday. The RSGB is grateful to all the presenters who take the time to speak at the Convention - there should be something for all interests. Day tickets for the RSGB Convention are still available at the door. Unfortunately, due to illness, the voluntary examiners for the US exams will be unable to attend this year. Normal service is expected to be available in 2013. The continued success of the RSGB Convention is such that we continue to grow year after year and 2012 looks like being the best yet.

The RSGB, jointly with the BATC and AMSAT-UK, has submitted a response to Ofcom's consultation on the future use of VHF spectrum formally used by the Home Office, 143 to 156MHz. The unique nature of this spectrum, and that it surrounds our existing 2m band, suggested a creative response would be needed in order to be competitive with the likely responses from Business Radio (PMR). Details are on the Committees section of the RSGB website under Spectrum Forum.

Radio amateurs around the world have been listening for signals from the four new amateur radio CubeSats that were deployed from the International Space Station on Thursday, 4 October. They could have a life-time of 4 or 5 months before they burn-up in the Earth's atmosphere. FITSat-1 has a CW beacon on 437.250MHz, 1200 bps AX.25 packet radio on 437.445MHz and a high-speed data transmitter on

5840.0MHz. F-1 has the callsign is XV1VN and the communications subsystem is built around two Yaesu VX-3R amateur radio handheld transceivers. One will transmit 1200 bps packet radio every 30 seconds on 145.980MHz while in darkness. The other will operate only in sunlight sending a 20 second FM transmission of a CW tone on 437.485MHz followed by a 60 second gap. TechEdSat carries a 1200 bps packet radio transmitter on 437.465MHz. WE-WISH transmits CW and 1200 bps packet radio on 437.505MHz. Due to the effects of Doppler shift the 70cm downlink frequencies will vary by +/- 10kHz during an 8 minute pass. Further information on these satellites can be found on the AMSAT-UK website.

The Mid Cornwall Beacon and Repeater Group are pleased to report that the GB3NC repeater has been successfully repaired and is now back in service. The re-alignment of the filters has also allowed the two metre beacon, GB3MCB, to be brought back into service. Reports via www.beaconspot.eu would be appreciated.

As of 1 October, Swedish radio amateurs are allowed to operate on 1810 to 1850kHz with a 1kW maximum power and 1930 to 2000kHz with a 10W maximum. The section of the band between 1850 and 1930kHz is unavailable. Sadly, they also lost their access to 2.3GHz, although 2.4GHz is unaffected.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 8 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Between 7 and 13 October, the North American QRP CW Club is celebrating their 8th anniversary. There will be 10 special event stations on the air that week, one from each USA call area from N1A to N0A. Special QSL cards and certificates for anyone who works one or more stations are available. Details at http://naqcc.info/.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The BATC Convention takes place this weekend at the Everest Community Academy, Basingstoke. The event includes BATC Biannual General Meeting today, Sunday 7th. More details on the website www.batc.org.uk.

The Autumn Militaria & Electronics & Radio Amateur Hangar Sale takes place today, Sunday 7 October, at Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 8AL. Door open at 10am and there will be civil, military and vintage radio equipment plus vehicle spares and more. Contact Rod Siebert on 01270 623 353.

Also today, 7 October, the Blackwood and District ARS Rally will be held in Coleg Gwent, Risca Road, Cross Keys NP11 7ZA. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, special interest groups and a Bring & Buy. More from Dave, GW4HBK on 01495 228 516.

The Hornsea Amateur Radio Club Rally will be held on 14 October at the Floral Hall, 7 The Esplanade, Hornsea, East Yorks HU18 1NQ. Doors open at 10.30am and there will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special

interest groups. Details from Rick, M0CZR, by e-mail at, R106221@aol.com.

Now for the news of special events

Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club will be active with the Scouts at Moor House, Durham from Friday 12 October to Sunday 14 October on 2m and HF using GB2CMH. The following weekend, 20 and 21 October, the club will host the Scouts JOTA weekend from the clubhouse with the callsign GB1FDS.

Members of the Guernsey Amateur Radio Society and Guernsey RAYNET group will be setting up a station and participating in the 2012 Jamboree On The Air on the weekend of 20 and 21 October. It has been many years since the Guernsey Scouts took part in this event and interest in this special event is high. The station will be using the callsign GB2JTA and will operate throughout the weekend on HF and VHF bands as conditions permit.

GB50WVR will be on the air from the Worth Valley Railway, West Yorkshire, over the weekend 12 to 14 October during the 50th anniversary autumn steam gala. Eight steam locomotives will be running over the weekend including two visiting ones. Direct QSLs to Pam, 2E1HQY, QTHR or via the RSGB bureau. More information is on qrz.com

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

A three-man team will operate from Niger in West Africa until 15 October. They will use the calls 5U5U, 5U6E and 5U8NK and operation will be on all bands from 6 to 160m.

A new one for the IOTA chasers will be on the air until 11 October. This will be 7Z7AB operating from Al- Dhahrah Island. The IOTA reference will be AS-190 and QSL info is via 7Z1CQ.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 8 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Arne, OH2NNE will be active as 5H2DK from Moshi, Tanzania until 17 October. He may also be on the air using a portable setup from different locations between 18 and 27 October. He will operate SSB only on 10 to 80m. QSL via his home callsign.

Sam, F6AML will be active as TO2M from Mayotte, which is IOTA reference AF-027, until 19 October. He will operate CW and SSB on the 10 to 80m bands. QSL via his home callsign, direct or bureau.

Now the contest news

The 21/28MHz Contest takes place for twelve hours today, Sunday 7th, starting at 0700UTC. There are Open, Restricted and QRP categories for UK stations; the same again for non-UK stations, plus you can enter CW-only, SSB-only or mixed modes. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The Worked All Britain HF Contest finishes at 1200UTC today, the 7th, using 20, 15 and 10m. UK stations send a signal report, serial number and WAB area, while non-UK stations send report, serial number and DXCC country. UK to UK QSOs do not count for points in this event. Full details of the rules and also log sheets can be obtained from the WAB website at www.worked-all-britain.co.uk.

The IARU 432MHz-248GHz Contest runs until 1400UTC today, the 7th. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. In theory you could submit a log direct to IARU for this event but, in practice, UK stations that enter one of the RSGB events allow their logs to be forwarded by the Contest Committee.

On 9 October, the 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 1900 to2130UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The following day, 10 October, the 80m Club Sprint takes place from 1900 to 2000UTC. Using CW the exchange is serial number and name.

Next weekend, 13 October, the EU Sprint takes place from 1600 to 2000UTC. Using CW only on the 3.5 to 14MHz bands the exchange is both callsigns, serial number and name.

Finally, over the weekend 13 and 14 October, the Oceania DX CW Contest takes place from 0800 to 0800UTC. On the 1.8 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 28th of September to Thursday the 4th of October, compiled by Neil Clarke G0CAS on Friday the 5th of October.

Solar activity started at low levels but, on the 30th, as several sunspot groups were rotating out of view, one produced the only M class solar flare of the period. This was an impulsive type solar flare and no earthward coronal mass ejection was associated with the event. Activity declined to very low levels on the 3rd and the 4th. Solar flux levels declined from 138 units on the 28th to 110 by the 4th. The average was 126 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 4th was 123 units, that's one unit down on last week. X-ray flux levels initially increased to peak at B7.6 units on the 1st but as the active regions departed the solar disc levels declined sharply to B1.8 by the end of the period. The average was B4.5 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels but around noon on the 30th a coronal mass ejection arrived that departed the Sun late on the 27th. The disturbance lasted for about 24 hours and the Ap index on the 1st was 36 units. Aurora was report on 50 and 144MHz during the evening of the 30th. The quietest days were the 28th and the 4th with an Ap of 3 units. The average was Ap 10 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from a slow 260 kilometres per second during the morning of the 30th to 460 by early the next day. Particle densities

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around midnight on the 30th and into the 1st when they increased to 20 particles per cubic centimetre. Bz varied between minus 1 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 20 and plus 10 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This Week the quieter side of the Sun should be rotating into view. Solar activity is expected to be at low levels on most days. Solar flux levels should start around 100 units with levels increasing slightly towards next weekend. Geomagnetic activity should be mostly quiet but a weak disturbance could take place around midweek. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should around 27MHz for the south and 24MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 10MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 25MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 20MHz. the best time to try this path will be between 1500 and 1900 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. On Sunday 7 October Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the WAB HF Phone Contest today from the shack until noon. The 432MHz UK AC is on Tuesday at the shack from 8pm, where on Wednesday G6COL is on the air whilst there's a video night at the BSA Club. The simplex club net on 145.375MHz is on Thursday from 8pm, and next Saturday sees the surgery in the shack from 9am. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Wythall Radio Club is holding a club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday the 8th, the Advanced course continues, and on Tuesday there's a committee meeting. Friday sees a social evening in the shack. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

On Monday 8 October Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club there is a VHF SSB club net on 144.165 USB, vertical polarization, then on Wednesday there's a M3+M6 club net on the GB3FR repeater. Finally on Friday there is a Club net on the GB3FR repeater. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more details.

On Monday 8 October South Birmingham Radio Society is sorting out rally stock, then on Thursday there are Training classes with Dave Murphy. It's Shack and aerial work on Friday and on Saturday 13th the club is visiting the RSGB Convention. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

On Tuesday 9 October Central Radio Amateur Circle continues the Intermediate Course via Skype from 7 to 9pm, on Thursday there's a Night On The Air and on Saturday 13th they are visiting the RSGB Convention. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Wednesday 10 October Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and training classes and on Sunday 14th there is a visit to the RSGB Convention. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Monday 8 October Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society will be operating from the shack. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime please.

On Tuesday 9 October Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday 9 October Eagle Radio Group has a talk on Protective Multiple Earthing by Charles Wilkie, G0CBM. Details from John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday 9 October Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is on the air using 2m from home. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday 10 October South Notts Amateur Radio Club has 10 minute talks. Details from Robin G4NDM, on 0115 9372942.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 8 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday 10 October Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having an evening of ten minute tech topics. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677 for more information.

On Thursday 11 October Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding a shack night on air. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday 11 October South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society Club is holding a net on 145.525MHz starting at 8pm. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550 for all the details.

On Thursday 11 October Tamworth Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Darren Bisbey on Ham Radio Deluxe Linking to HF. More information from Darren, by e-mail to secretary@tars.es

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week.

On Sunday 7 October Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 21/28MHz Contest, then on Wednesday it's the 80m Club Sprint CW Contest and Rally preparation. On Saturday 13th, the club is activating the Skipsea Observer Corps Bunker for CASHOTA and on Sunday it's the HARC rally in Hornsea. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573 for details.

On Monday 8 October Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air and the Advanced Licence Course ready for the exam next Sunday, the 14th. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Wednesday 10 October Denby Dale Radio Club has a night on the air starting at 7.30pm on +/- 145.575MHz. On Friday the Club is taking part in a three day event, Grim Up North, running GB2WYS from Bradley Wood scout camp. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Sunday 7 October Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 21/28MHz RSGB contest as G5N. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com for more information.

On Monday 8 October Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Morse Code and how to learn it and become proficient by G3PHO. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday 8 October Workington and District Radio and IT Group Club is having a social evening. For more information get in touch with Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092.

On Tuesday 9 October Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is celebrating the member of the year. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836 for more details.

On Wednesday 10 October South Lancashire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Steve Gilbert, G3OAG on valves. Visitors are welcome. There will be a door charge of £1 and the draw will be taken after the talk. Details from Allan Green, 2E0RAG, 0753 397 0841.

On Thursday 11 October South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on "Pic up a Penguin" by Ged, G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday 12 October East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 9 October Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society has an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week.

On Sunday 7 October Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club has the monthly breakfast meeting at The Goring Caf&#65533; at 9am, then on Wednesday there is a discussion evening and participation in the 80m CW Sprint contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232 for all the details.

On Monday 8 October Farnborough & District Radio Society is holding a Top Band net on 1.995Mhz at 8pm and has a talk on Wednesday on PCB's The Easy Way by Neville, G4SPD. On Friday 12th there will be a net on 144.675MHz starting at 8pm. All are welcome to join in. More information from Neville, G3SPD on 01252 404816

On Tuesday 9 October Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m net on GB3DA starting at 8:30pm. Wednesday is a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008 for more information.

On Thursday 11 October Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having part 2 of the talk on High Power Transmitters by Tony Crake, G0OVA, then on Saturday 13th there will be a Foundation Course. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Sunday 7 October Banbury Amateur Radio Society is operating a Special Event Station for Banbury Canal Day. Details from John, G8OZH on 07774 525818.

On Monday 8 October Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a club net on 2m. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday 8 October East Kent Radio Society is holding its AGM and a Construction Contest. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday 8 October West Kent Amateur Radio Society is looking at road regulations for amateurs with the meeting being led by Dave, G4OTV. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday 9 October Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday 9 October Harwell Amateur Radio Society is holding a talk by Tony Crake, G0OVA on 40 years of technical things in the BBC. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday 9 October South Essex Amateur Radio Society Club is putting the station on the air. More information from Dave, G4UVJ on 01268 697 978.

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Amateur Radio Club is holding a talk and discussion on the mystery antenna, a design by John C Basilotti, W5GI. The meeting will be led by Jim Bacon, G3YLA and Steve Nichols, G0KYA. The club is also embarking on its most ambitious training schedule ever with Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced course all before Christmas. There is only 1 place left on the Intermediate course, but plenty of space on both the Foundation and Advanced. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday 10 October Southgate Amateur Radio Club is having a planning meeting for 2013. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Thursday 11 October Edgware & District Radio Society is holding a round table discussion about books available from the RSGB and Practical Wireless. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday 11 October Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale with Ollie, G3TPJ as the auctioneer. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Thursday 11 October Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society has no meeting this week. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday 11 October Verulam Amateur Radio Club is holding a social with repeater group GB3VH at 7.30pm in the Rose and Crown Pub, Sandridge. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday 12 October Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is Getting to know the Raspberry Pi with Quentin Stafford-Fraser. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712 for more information.

On Friday 12 October Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 12 October Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434 for details.

On Saturday 13 October Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding a Members Forum. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Saturday 13 October Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is putting on a special event station at Thatcham Arts & Leisure Show. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737 for all the information.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week.

On Monday 8 October Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on crystal sets, valves and vintage radios, on Tuesday there is a 2m net

on 145.57 MHz at 7.45pm and on Thursday 11th there's a 4m net on 70.425MHz at 7pm. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday 8 October Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a Morse class and natter night, then on Sunday 14th October the club is taking part in the Kite festival on Berrow Beach. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Tuesday 9 October Plymouth RC is having a talk by Chris Parker, M0ZCP on Advanced Repeater and Echo Link use followed by a natter night and the club radios will be on the air. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert- james@virginmedia.com.

On Wednesday 10 October Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is holding a rally and haunted house event planning evening. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 11 October South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is looking at the calendar for 2013. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday 11 October Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750 for more information.

On Friday 12 October Poole Radio Society is having a talk by Charles Riley and the Intermediate course continues. More information from Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by e-mail to secretary@g4prs.org.uk

On Friday 12 October Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night as well as an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday 11 October Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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1968. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 01 - 07 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-08 15:30:09 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121008153001.E29FB33C9A@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1885
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
01 - 07 October 2012

Solar activity was low. The largest flares of the week, both C4s,
were attributed to Region 1575 (N08, L=181, class/area=Eko/320 on 22
Sep) at 01/0147Z and again at 01/1313Z as it rotated beyond the west
limb. The remainder of the week was characterized by x-ray flares in
the mid-to-upper B class and low C class range. An exceptionally
long duration B7 flare (7hr 29min) from Region 1584 (S23, L=70,
class/area=Dso/40 on 01 Oct) peaked at 05/0730Z and was associated
with an earth-directed CME. The CME was observed in SOHO/LASCO C3
imagery at 05/0730Z and had an estimated speed of approximately 590
km/s. It was expected to reach earth late on 08 October. Another CME
was observed later in the week when a 30 degree long filament,
centered near S65W15, erupted on 07 October. SDO imagery first
observed movement along the filament channel at approximately
06/2000Z with ejecta visible off the SW limb at about 07/0700Z.
LASCO C2 imagery observed a partial-halo CME lifting off the SW limb
first visible at 07/0812Z. Subsequent WSA-Enlil model output
indicated a possible weak, earth-directed component of this CME.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels throughout the week.

Geomagnetic field activity began the week at severe storm levels
after an earth-directed CME from 27 September arrived late on 30
September. Severe storm levels were observed for the 01/00-03Z
synoptic period, decreasing in the subsequent periods to major storm
levels for 01/03-06Z, and then active levels for the 01/06-09Z
period. The remainder of the week saw quiet geomagnetic conditions
with the exception of the first synoptic period on 03 October which
was unsettled.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
08 October - 03 November 2012
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Solar activity is expected to be at generally low levels with a chance for an M-class event, particularly during 12-26 October when Old Region 1583 (N12, L=187, class/area=Dso/90) returns.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 11-13 October as a result of a coronal hole high speed stream. Flux for the remainder of the forecast period is expected to be at background levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin at quiet to unsettled levels, increasing to active to minor storm levels late on 08 October with the arrival of the earth-directed CME from 05 October. Minor storm levels are expected to continue through 09 October. Then geomagentic field activity is expected to decrease to unsettled to active levels for 10-11 October under the influence of a coronal hole high speed stream. Quiet conditions return on 12-14 October before subsequent coronal hole high speed streams bring unsettled to active conditions on 15-17 October.

1969. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 8 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-08 16:40:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec50fe0c969e74504cb8ededb@google.com>
Source record: 1886
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-281 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 08 Oct 2012 07:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364108-ANS-281-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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Register Today for the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium in Orlando

This is a reminder that the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th at the Holiday Inn Hotel at Orlando-International Airport. See the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration.

Symposium Registration including Proceedings:

Starting September 24, 2012: $ 50.00At the Door: $ 55.00

Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page. The Symposium Schedule web page has been updated with links to find more information about the planned activities.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

2012 AMSAT Symposium Schedule

To help you plan your trip to Orlando the 2012 Symposium Committee has posted a high-level schedule of the weekend's events.

Thursday 25 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - 9pm

Friday 26 October 2012

AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting 8am - NoonTrips to SkyCraft 9am - NoonAMSAT Symposium 1pm - 5pm

Saturday 27 October 2012

Symposium 8am - 3pmAMSAT General Meeting 3:30pmAMSAT Banquet 6:30pm - 10pmThe featured speaker for the AMSAT 2012 Saturday Evening Banquet will be Dr. Samuel T. Durrance, NASA Astronaut/Payload Specialist and Professor of Physics and Space Sciences at the Florida Institute of Technology.

Sunday 28 October 2012

7:30am AMSAT Area Coordinator's BreakfastLocal trip to Orlando Science Museum

Monday 29 October 2012

Special trip to Kennedy Space Center 8am-6pmThe trip will include a round trip bus from the hotel and entrance to the Space Center. The cost will be about $100. This is a wonderful experience for those that haven't been and for those that have been multiple times. We need to get an idea of how many will participate to select the correct bus. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office if interested.

Watch the AMSAT Symposium Web Pages for the latest information.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

Five CubeSats Deployed From ISS Now on-Orbit - Signals Received

Five cubesats launched on July 21 and loaded aboard the ISS were integrated with the J-SSOD small satellite deployer on the the Japanese Experiment Module, also known as Kibo. They were deployed with the Kibo robotic arm on October 4, 2012. The orbit for these CubeSats will be very close to the orbit of the ISS.

NanoRack posted a photo of the deployment at: pic.twitter.com/wZAX5qZL (Click on the image to view the full-sized photograph)SpaceRef posted an article and several more photographs on-line at: http://spaceref.com/news/viewsr.html?pid=42238

First Deployment by Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide

WE-WISH - Telemetry downlink on 437.505 MHzRAIKO - non-amateur radio Ku-band beacon

Second Deployment by JAXA GS

TechEdSat - Telemetry downlink on 437.465 MHz.NanoRack/F-1 - 145.980 MHz: main channel, 1.0W RF output, FM, AFSK 1200bps, one telemetry packet every 30 seconds, operates in the dark by default (but can be commanded later to operate in sunlight) 437.485 MHz: backup channel, 0.2W RF output, FM, PWM CW beacon, each beacon transmission lasts about 20 seconds then 60 seconds delay, only operates in sunlightFITSAT-1 CW Beacon 437.250 MHz, FM Data 437.445 MHz, High speed data 5840.00 MHz

FITSAT-1 Heard With Strong Signals

Signal reports from PY5LF, OH3UW, DK3WN, VU3TYG, G6LVB (using a FUNcube Dongle Pro+ and 7" wire antenna), GW1FKY, F5YG, JE9PEL, JN1GKZ, ST2NH, and others via the amsat-bb list.

FITSAT-1 transmits its beacon frequency 437.250 MHz. This is the same frequency as the PRISM satellite of Tokyo Univ. FITSAT CW will transmit, "HI DE NIWAKA JAPAN" with its telemetry data. To receive a FITSAT-1 QSL card please send your signal report and your postal address to: fitsat1@hotmail.co.jp and also cc to tanaka@fit.ac.jp.

A photo of the QSL card is shown at: http://www.fit.ac.jp/~tanaka/fitsat.shtml This web page will also be updated with information about the status of the LED experiment.

HB9FFH has made a telemetry decoder for FITSAT-1, available at:

http://carpcomm.com/satellite/fitsat1

FITSAT students have also developed a similar program for windows:

http://turing.cs.fit.ac.jp/~fitsat/C..._Analyzer1.zip

TechEdSat Heard With Weak Signals

Signal reports received from PY5LF, DK3WN, and JE9PEL indicate that TechEdSat was received with weak signals on its 437.465 MHz downlink. Mark Allard, KD6CWM, President of the NASA-Ames Research Center Amateur Radio Club reports their OSCAR/ARISS satellite station, NA6MF, will be supporting

TechEdSat as one of the monitoring stations for the TechEdSat Amateur Radio beacon.

TechEdSat transmits a custom beacon packet. Details can be found at: http://www.techedsat.com/. Packets acquired from TechEdSat can also be submitted to the website for decoding by the TechEdSat team. Use the 'Packet Submission' link found at the top of the web page.

WE WISH SSTV Picture Received

PY4ZBZ and JE1CVL received the SSTV picture on 437.505 MHz. JE9PEL provided a translation of the image that is a sentence of "JQ1ZIJ MEISEI ARC 2012". A photo of the received picture is at: http://www.ne.jp/asahi/hamradio/je9pel/21005wis.png A photo of the SSTV picture received by PY4ZBZ is posted at: http://www.qsl.net/py4zbz/satelite.htm#ww

Viet Nam F-1 Not Heard

Viet Nam's F-1 satellite was scheduled to begin telemetry transmissions 30 minutes after deployment by sending a beacon alternating on its main and backup channels. At press time no signal reports have been received from this satellite.

More information and guide to download F-1 telemetry decoder can be found at http://fspace.edu.vn/?page_id=27. Decoded data can be submitted via the telemetry decoder or by sending directly to the ground station: thuvt@fpt.edu.vn. Audio recordings are highly appreciated.

[ANS thanks the CubeSat Teams; Vu Trong Thu, XV9AA; Mark Allard, KD6CWM; and Takushi Tanaka, JA6AVG for the above information]

AO-27 Reported Down

AO-27 user reports this week reported that the satellite was not operational. The end-of-transmit cycle AFSK packet telemetry beacon was reported to become stuck on a single tone. No downlink signal was received from AO-27 on later passes.

The latest AO-27 news is posted on its webpage: http://www.ao27.org/AO27/index.shtml

In summary, as of October 6 control operators had recovered AO-27 to running on the primary Bootloader and were able to turn on the transmitter for a short time. They continue working on uploading the software.

Mode V/U (J) FM Voice Repeater Frequencies

Uplink: 145.8500 MHz FMDownlink 436.7950 MHz FM

[ANS thanks James, N3UCC and Michael, N3UC for the above information]

PACIFICON 2012 Will Feature ARISS Contact and Satellite Demo Station

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact has been planned with youth participants at PACIFICON 2012, Santa Clara, CA on 13 October. The event is scheduled to begin at approximately 18:57 UTC or 11:57 PDT. The contact will be a telebridge between NA1SS (the ISS) and IK1SLD (in Italy). The contact should be audible over Europe and the Mediterranean. Interested parties are invited to listen in on the 145.80 MHz downlink. The contact is expected to be conducted in English.

PACIFICON 2012, a premiere wireless event, will be held October 12, 13, and 14, 2012 and will host the 2012 American Radio Relay League (ARRL) National Convention and Exposition.

Over 2,500 amateur radio enthusiasts are expected to attend. The 2012 PACIFICON Youth program includes a "Youth Lounge" and forums throughout the convention weekend; the Youth program is positioned in the middle of the exhibit hall and provides STEM educational activities which include hands on radio operation, electronics kit building orbital mathematics, CubeSat satellite design, and popular radio transmitter T-Hunts.

A scheduled ARISS radio contact and a presentation by NASA astronaut, Dr. Lee M. Morin KF5DDB, will highlight the Youth Lounge activities. Free admission is provided to Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Brownie, Cub Scouts, Explorer Scouts, 4-H members, and to all youth 17 and under. The Youth Forum will include young Amateur radio enthusiasts Andrea Hartlege KG4IUM, former ARRL South Eastern Division Vice Director and Katie Stensrud K7KTI, a young Amateur from Nevada, and many amateur radio educational resources from the ARRL & AMSAT.

PACIFICON 2012 will include numerous amateur radio operations including the convention FCC Special Event Station W6P; the ARRL's W1AW/6; additional stations will be operated remotely from the convention site as well as one portable satellite earth station and one fully automated satellite earth demonstration station. PACIFICON 2012 will offer over 120 educational forums and programs, including a forum hosted by AMSAT on Amateur Satellite Communications, approximately sixteen indoor on-the-air exhibits, and eight outdoor on-the-air exhibits will be hosted.

For more information, please review the PACIFICON 2012 web site at: http://www.pacificon.org/ or, contact Joe Spier, Associate Director for Education, AMSAT-NA, at k6wao@amsat.org

[ANS thanks Joe Spier, K6WAO and Mark Hammond, N8MH for the above information]

ARISS Successful School Contacts

Turkey

Izmir SEV Primary School, located in Turkey, had an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on October 5 via telebridge station K6DUE in Greenbelt, Maryland.

The school participates in the Partner School Science Program, which is a program under Global Friendship Through Space Education, a California-based

non-profit organization that promotes friendship among young people from different countries and cultures through the study of space-related science and technology. Students communicate about space-related projects via e-mail, collaborate on research on NASA's distance-learning Web site, and videoconference between NASA and partner schools. First Lego League Robotic Teams and Destination Imagination Teams have been a part of school activities annually since 2005. Invitations to attend this event were extended to several VIPs including the minister of transportation, the president of the board of education, the director of education, the mayor of Izmir and the governor of Izmir.

Maryland

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held between students at the Waxter Young Women's Academy in Laurel, Maryland and Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI aboard the ISS on September 24. Telebridge station LU8YY in Argentina handled the radio connection. The girls were able to have all 13 of their questions answered with enough time left to thank Hoshide for participating. Phone lines throughout the center were made available so that other students could listen in as well. The ARISS contact was part of a comprehensive education plan used to interest students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

Nova Scotia

On September 26, Sacred Heart School of Halifax in Nova Scotia, Canada participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with on-orbit astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB. Telebridge station LU8YY in Argentina connected with Williams, but the international phone line, which was to connect Argentina to Halifax, went down and could not be brought up until after the ISS had passed overhead. Williams agreed to try the contact again on the next pass. Ninety minutes later, the audience of 250 got what they had been waiting for - a successful contact! The students got in 17 questions, and one student was wished a Happy Birthday by the ISS commander.

Video of LaFayette Middle School ISS contact

When Jody Carter was 8 years old, his father tried unsuccessfully to contact the space shuttle via ham radio. Thirty years later, the second time was the charm. The Times Free Press reports that just after 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 21, Carter, who's now a math and science teacher at LaFayette Middle School, radioed Sunita "Suni" Williams KD5PLB, commander of the International Space Station. Read the full story and watch the video at: http://tinyurl.com/Lafayette-ISS

[ANS thanks Carol Jackson, KB3LKI for the above information]

US Naval Academy PSAT Features PSK-31 and APRS Transponders

The US Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland is developing a new student satellite, ParkinsonSAT, or PSAT which is a two way APRS communications transponder for relaying remote telemetry, sensor and user data from remote

environmental experiments or other data sources back to experimenters via a global network of internet linked volunteer ground stations. The data transponder also includes all telemetry, command and control for a complete cubesat.

PSAT is a 1.5 unit cubesat so that two PSATs can be launched from the same P-Pod launcher. The design uses four deployable solar arrays which are stowed down the sides. Half of the 1.5 unit PSAT is available for auxiliary payloads or experiments.

PSAT will fly a PSK-31 transponder with a 10 meter uplink and a 2M FM downlink. PSK-31 will allow up to 30 simultaneous users.

Bob Bruninga, WB4APR noted, "PSK-31 is the ideal AMSAT FM transponder for a cubesat. With an FM downlink, anyone can receive it with an HT and a laptop with PSK-31 software. And anyone with a 10m PSK-31 uplink can transmit to it. And since the downlink is FM, everyone tuned in SEES THE SAME WATERFALL and sees EXACTLY where they are in the downlink. A small uplink doppler adjustment can keep each station locked to his chosen channel in the passband. Everyone can talk to everyone if they want, or go one-on-one too."

The SSB uplink and UHF FM downlink transponder fits on a smaller than 3"x3" circuit board being developed by Mirek Kasal at Brno University. Launch of PSAT is planned in 2015. The 3"x3" transponder may also be adaptable for other missions.

[ANS thanks Bob Bruninga, WB4APR for the above information]

Cuba Satellite Group Launches Satellite Net in Havana

Raydel Abreu Espinet, CM2ESP reported this week that the Cuban Satellite Group named Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales (GROS) has started a VHF FM Net devoted entirely to the Amateur Radio Satellites on 145.550 MHz. CM2ESP is the Net Control Station. The net will be on the air every Friday from 19:00 to 20:00 local time in Havana.

The net is in range for the Havana Province (capital of Cuba), with coverage also to the surrounding provinces of Mayabeque and Artemisa. The net is divided in three sections: News; A Technical Topic; and Question and Answer Session.

The Cuban Satellite Group named Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales (GROS) will continue promoting and creating new activities to increase the presence of Cuban Amateur Radio Stations on the satellites and the activation of new grids. Several demonstrations and workshops are currently being scheduled.

[ANS thanks GROS Coordinator Raydel Abreu Espinet, CM2ESP for the above information]

FUNcube Dongle Filtered Preamp Available at AMSAT-UK On-line Store

David Bowman, G0MRF, a member of the AMSAT-UK FUNcube team, has designed and manufactured a 2m Filtered Preamp for use with the FUNcube dongle or

any 2m receiver. This is now available for purchase through the AMSAT-UK web shop.

Two versions of the preamp are available. The first is a kit form including all the components required to build the preamp yourself. The second is a prebuilt version. The stock on the prebuilt version is very limited. Both kit and prebuilt versions are on sale for £47 plus postage and packing.

More information is available on the AMSAT-UK web site. Look under the "Projects" section at to read the construction notes as well as the measurement report carried out on the preamp. The preamps appear under the "Hardware" category in the catalogue in the AMSAT-UK web shop.

A video demonstration of the FUNcube Dongle Pro+ LF/MF/HF/VHF/UHF Software Defined Radio is posted on the AMSAT-UK web.

[ANS thanks Ciaran Morgan, M0XTD of AMSAT-UK for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

AMSAT Director Contests and Awards, Bruce Paige, KK5DO says a correction needs to be made to the AMSAT Field Day Results he sent last week. The line: 7 WC9C 4E 15 should be corrected to: 7 WC5C 4F
15 An article, photos, and the results will be published in an upcoming edition of the AMSAT Journal.The traditional e-mail format of the AMSAT News Service Bulletins is being expanded so that news of Amateur Radio in Space is more accessible on mobile devices:

AMSAT News Service Archives: http://amsat.org/pipermail/ans/

AMSAT-NA on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/groups/7828379515/

ANS Bulletins will be posted at: http://www.hamradiotoday.com/

(HamRadioToday is an excellent forum of amateur radio topics.)

ANS Bulletins will be posted at: http://www.qrz.com/

The bulletins will continue to be sent via the ANS List and the AMSAT-BB in e-mail format.

Watch a video by the Minute Physics folks explaining why the sky is dark at night.Astronomy Now and Spaceflight Now have created an interactive iPad guide to the Curiosity rover mission.Canadian Special Event Station will be signing CG3X until October 28 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first Canadian satellite "Alouette". QSL via VE3JPP. (DX Newsletter DXNL 1800 - Oct 3, 2012)Hams like science so get a peek at the eXtreme Deep Field, or XDF, a photo was assembled by combining 10 years of NASA Hubble Space Telescope photographs taken of a patch of sky at the center of the original Hubble Ultra Deep Field. That's right, a 10 year time exposure: http://tinyurl.com/Hubble-XDF (SpaceDaily.com) Also see the article at: http://spaceref.com/news/viewpr.html?pid=38692Cool, new postage stamps for your QSL activities featuring America's diverse landscapes on photos taken from ultra lights to satellites are on the Earthscapes stamps. Details of

the stamp plus where to find first-day issues can be found in the article at: http://spaceref.com/news/viewpr.html?pid=38738Doug, VK3UM reports updates have been made for his EME Calculation software. New versions are available from Doug's website: EMECalc Ver 8.07 (28th Sep 12); EME Planner Ver 1.71. (21st Sep 12); EMR Calculator Ver 7.03 (22nd Sep 12)Flex Radio has posted a guide to using SATPC32 with the Flex 5000 VU5K transverter. Along with the SATPC32-specific details, there is information of use to satellite operators in general. (via Alan, WA4SCA)The Houston AMSAT Net meets every Wednesday at 0100z (this is Tuesday evening in North America) on Echolink - Conference *AMSAT* . The MP3 audio is also streamed http://www.amsatnet.com. After the net a Podcast is available at: http://www.amsatnet.com/podcast.xml or iTunesThe next Hudson Valley Satcom net dates are Thursday, October 11 and October 25 at 8 PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available on the N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)The 2012 Great World Wide Star Count is a citizen science project running between October 5 to October 19. You are invited to make night star observations from your QTH and report your results on-line.

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind that the light from the sun, arriving now is 30,000 years old. The energy in the sunlight we see today started out in the core of the Sun 30,000 years ago. It spent most of this time passing through the dense atoms that make the core and just 8 minutes to reach us once it had left the Sun.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM

K9JKM at amsat dot org

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Amateur radio operator clashes with code enforcement - The Marietta Daily Journal

Posted: 08 Oct 2012 06:00 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364097-Amateur-radio-operator-clashes-with-code-enforcement-The-Marietta-Daily-Journal&goto=newpost

Amateur radio operator clashes with code enforcement

The Marietta Daily Journal

Jon Gillooly [email: jgillooly@mdjonline.com]

October 8, 2012, 01:03am EST

KENNESAW ☐ Lifelong amateur radio enthusiast Ritner Nesbitt, a grandfather of 10 who lives down the road from Dominion Christian Schools in west Cobb, has attracted the unwelcome attention of the county☐s code enforcement department.

http://www.mdjonline.com/view/full_s...ome_lead_story

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Your right to resell your own stuff is in peril

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 07:44 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364075-Your-right-to-resell-your-own-stuff-is-in-peril&goto=newpost

http://www.marketwatch.com/story/you...ril-2012-10-04

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1834 October 5 2012

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 01:58 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364049-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1834--October-5-2012&goto=newpost

Note: My thanks to Dave Booth, KC6WFS, who went to my home to complete distribution of this weeks newscast while I am hospitalized in Los Angeles.

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Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1834 ☐ October 5 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1834 with a release date of October 5 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. 200 micro sized ham-sats to be orbited in a single launch; Radio Amateurs of Canada wins a 5 year exemption for Ontario hams in distracted driving legislation; the European Parliament gets involved in the BPL controversary and the 2012 Scouting Jamboree on the Air is almost here. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1834 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: 200 MICRO HAM BIRDS TO BE LAUNCHED IN ONE MISSION

Two hundred tiny ham radio satellites will be going into space in the not to distant future. The project is called KickSat and we have more in this report.

1970. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 8 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-08 17:00:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba21213b415b1e04cb8f2833@google.com>
Source record: 1887
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VK9XM-- Christmas Island by IV3YER

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 03:27 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364056-VK9XM-Christmas-Island-by-IV3YER&goto=newpost

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Jamboree on the air 2012

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 12:36 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364043-Jamboree-on-the-air-2012&goto=newpost

Dear OM´s:

The next 20th and 21th of October 2012 the Chilean Scouts will participate
with many stations in the JOTA 2012.

We will be in diferent HF frecuencies and Echolink Computer System to take
contact with many scout stations around the wordl.

If you like to contact us please write to our email adress:
aurbina2011@yahoo.es

Best regards from the Chilean Scouts Always ready and be prepared.

ARTURO CE3BRA SANTIAGO CHILE SOUTH AMERICA

1971. eHam.net News for Monday 8 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-08 22:53:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044471fd5569dc04cb9418f4@google.com>
Source record: 1888
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Emergency Radio Operators Simulate Natural Disaster Communications:

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29109

HUNTSVILLE Ala. (WAAY) - John Lewis is an amateur radio operator. He's been doing it for 50 years. It may not sound like much, but in a natural disastor it's a skill that saves lives. "Its strictly a hobby but its one of those situations where the hobby, once a disaster hits, is no longer a hobby. Its reality," Lewis said. Lewis and hundreds of other communication operators in Alabama participated in a simulated emergency test Saturday. "Were actually doing this in a real format. Well have a lot of radio amateur operators we call them 'Hams' and then a lot of our served agencies, whether its crisis services, the American Red Cross, some of the churches, all these different places that rely on us as communications go down. We want to see if we can pass traffic as communications," Huntsville EMA operator Tim Holland said.

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Amateur Radio Operators Ready to Serve:

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 05:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29108

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Imagine this: a massive earthquake hits near Kansas City, and hundreds of thousands take refuge in the metro. Those folks would need places to sleep, food to survive and care from medical providers, and to make things worse, the power is out too. Amateur radio operators in the area spent part of Saturday practicing that scenario. "When all else fails, we're here." That's the motto of amateur radio operators. "We're prepared and we always provide communications in emergencies and when everything else fails the amateurs are up and running." Jim Bair said. He's an amateur radio operator with Jackson County ARES. On Saturday, more than 150 amateur radio operators across the metro met at the Red Cross and community centers, hospitals and churches for an eight county communications exercise. The scenario? A New Madrid earthquake of 7-plus on the Richter scale hits, sending thousands to the metro area looking for refuge.

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ARNewsline 1834 -- October 5 2012:

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 04:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29107

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1972. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 8 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-09 02:14:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234cf5ea696a04cb96e382@google.com>
Source record: 1889
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio operator clashes with code enforcement - Marietta Daily
Journal

Posted: 07 Oct 2012 10:14 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEEYk4aHHk96P9MGcpDn9UB8fQGzg&url=http://www.mdjonline.com/view/full_story/20398475/article-Amateur-radio-operator-clashes-with-code-enforcement-

Amateur radio operator clashes with code enforcement
Marietta Daily Journal
Nesbitt said he moved to his home, which is located on a wooded slope
across the street from Burnt Hickory Farms subdivision, 20 years ago
precisely because it was an excellent spot to pursue his passion for
amateur radio, also known as ham radio, ...

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Bulletin Board: Oct. 9, 2012 - Charleston Gazette

Posted: 08 Oct 2012 11:53 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF4AmOncqKyMQUwLfPDKUp25b1wpA&url=http://wvgazette.com/News/201210080056

Bulletin Board: Oct. 9, 2012
Charleston Gazette
Tri-State Amateur Radio Association will offer examinations for those who
want a new or upgraded amateur radio license from the Federal
Communications Commission at 9 a.m. Oct. 13 at the Museum of Radio and
Technology, Huntington. All examination ...

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KCTV5Amateur radio operators practice earthquake drills - KCTV Kansas City

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 01:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE_9-07cYLKm9jjdCF5fW3-RgXgRw&url=http://www.kctv5.com/story/19753981/amateur-radio-operators-practice-earthquake-drills

KCTV5Amateur radio operators practice earthquake drills
KCTV Kansas City
The extra people and the damage from an earthquake that strong would no
doubt take a big chunk of communication away, which is where amateur ham
radio operators come in. The Red Cross would rely on the radio operators
for communication between ...

1973. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 9 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-09 11:10:03 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d04428a16de6ead04cb9e6049@google.com>
Source record: 1890
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Response to Ofcom's consultation on the future use of VHF spectrum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g-Ed1YoVTiQ/response_to_ofcom_consultation_on_the_future_use_of_vhf_spectrum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB, jointly with the BATC and AMSAT-UK, has submitted a response to
Ofcom’s consultation on the future use of VHF spectrum formally used by the
Home Office, 143 to 156MHz

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SpaceX re-supply mission launches with NASA cargo to Space Station

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KoLMkDMigj8/first_contracted_spacex_re-supply_mission_launches.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket carrying its Dragon spacecraft lifted off from
Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida on Sunday, beginning its first
cargo delivery flight to the International Space Station

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GB3NC back in service

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FFSNuHpFIG0/gb3nc_back_in_service.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Mid Cornwall Beacon and Repeater Group are pleased to report that the
GB3NC repeater has been successfully repaired and is now back in service

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Autumn issue of OSCAR News

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bkZLAF2SblU/autumn_issue_of_oscar_news.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Autumn (Fall) edition of the AMSAT-UK newsletter OSCAR News is at the
printers and should be posted to members soon

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RSGB Convention lectures

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ExLxKy-1BEo/rsgb_convention_lectures.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB Convention takes place at Horwood House near Milton Keynes this weekend, 12 to 14 October

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Ham Fair in Lisbon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_GQw8cI7VR4/ham_fair_in_lisbon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The A.R.V.M. is organizing an Exposition Ham Fair in Lisbon

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Amateur Radio Communications Workshop

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XU_8OAu4D6E/amateur_radio_communications_workshop.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Techno India NJR Institute of technology is to host a national workshop on amateur radio communications, October 17-18

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Draconid meteor outburst underway

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FgdJ4Sf5iwI/draconid_meteor_outburst_underway.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radars in Canada reported a major outburst of Draconid meteors commencing at 16 UT on Oct. 8th. 'Radar rates are at 1000 meteors per hour,' says Bill Cooke of NASA' Meteoroid Environment Office. 'This is greater than last year's outburst, and 5x the 2005 level.'

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Radio Ham's Fight for Tower

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GlTJPiSYUEI/radio_hams_fight_for_tower.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Ritner Nesbitt N4BNM has run up against the Country Planning Commission over his new 140 foot tower

1974. eHam.net News for Sunday 7 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-09 11:28:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010e835814a5704cb800062@google.com>
Source record: 1891
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Anacapa School to Host Live Q and A with International Space Station:

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29102

Students and faculty of Anacapa School are preparing for a rare event that will allow them to make contact with an astronaut aboard the International Space Station via amateur radio as part of the independent school's annual Synthesis Unit. Anacapa has the opportunity to participate in the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program, a cooperative venture between NASA and other international space agencies that coordinates scheduled radio contacts between astronauts aboard the ISS and schools. The 10-minute live forum will bounce between Anacapa students and astronauts as the space station's orbit passes over Southern California. NASA is expected to confirm a final date for Anacapa School's ISS contact sometime in the 2013 spring semester.

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Samuel Morse: The Man Who (Almost) Never Succeeded:

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29101

It's been a long time since I did a photography history article. I generally prefer the early days of photography. People just were--I don't know, more--back then. There was more lying, more backstabbing, more drama, and more originality. You name it; they did more of it. In my various readings, which I do far too much of, I learned a bit about Samuel Morse and became fascinated. This guy had more careers than I have. (Hey, some of those careers I wanted to leave. Don't be tacky.) At various times he was a preacher, a painter, a professor, an inventor, a photographer, and a politician. But when I looked a little deeper, I found he wasn't a Renaissance-type Polymath as I had assumed. Morse was an argumentative, whining man who failed at one career after another, fought with and sued (or was sued by) virtually every associate he ever had, and played the poor-pitiful-me victim card at every turn. He succeeded at almost everything he did for a while, then failed miserably and left to do something else. He is recognized as the inventor of the telegraph, which he really wasn't, and the originator of Morse code, which he probably was. On one of his many career side-trips he also had a large role in bringing photography to the U. S. It is largely because of Morse that American photography took a leading role in the mid-1800s. That wasn't really his

intention, though. He spent far more time and energy telling everyone he had done it than he actually spent in doing it.

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Japan Mini-Satellite to Flash Code from Space:

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29100

A palm-sized Japanese satellite in orbit around Earth will flash a Morse code message that will be visible around the world from next month, the mission commander said Friday. Researchers hope the satellite, measuring 10 centimetres (four inches) cubed and launched from the International Space Station on Friday, will become the first orbiter to transmit an LED message across the night sky. The message was originally intended to be seen just in Japan, but people around the world have asked for the satellite to communicate when it overflies them, said Takushi Tanaka, professor at The Fukuoka Institute of Technology. The message it will send is "Hi this is Niwaka Japan". Niwaka is the satellite's nickname and reflects a play on words in the local dialect of southwestern Japan.

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ARNewsline 1834 Release Delay:

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 04:16 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29099

Amateur Radio Newsline 1834 delayed due to
producer Bill Pasternak being hospitalized in
Los Angeles. Newscast will be posted as soon
as possible.

1975. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-059E - Mike Myers, VA3MPM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-09 15:30:41 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <507442FB.3010501@rac.ca>
Source record: 1892
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-059E - Mike Myers, VA3MPM
2012-10-06

On August 28, 2012 , incorrect information about the status of a Volunteer Examiner was passed to Radio Amateurs of Canada and then further disseminated by means of a bulletin. As a result, an incorrect impression was provided to the amateur radio community of the qualification of the examiner concerned, Mr. Mike Myers, VA3MPM.

We apologize to Mr. Myers for any problems that we may have caused him and which detract from the work he and others continue to accomplish on behalf of the amateur radio community. Our volunteer examiners are an important part in administering Industry Canada's certification exams without personal gain.

Radio Amateurs of Canada has taken appropriate steps to ensure that similar information of interest to Canada's amateur radio community that it might receive in the future from any source is verified before publication.

Radio Amatuers of Canada HQ

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1976. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-060E - NARED database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-09 15:40:31 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50744554.9000009@rac.ca>
Source record: 1893
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-060E - NARED database
2012-10-09

Work has begun on the development of a new database for ARES/EmmCom personnel. Particular attention is being placed on confidentially, in response to concerns of amateurs across the country.

In order, to ascertain the volume which we will be required to accommodate, we are requesting that Section Managers (SM's) request their Emergency Co-ordinators (EC's) to provide a list of their ARES members . The only information required is a name and call sign. This information will not be placed on a database. In addition, we would like each group to provide an estimate of the net growth their organization anticipates annually.

I am requesting that responses be sent toracnared@gmail.com <mailto:racnared@gmail.com>by November 15, 2012. Any questions can also be forwarded to the same address.

Pat Barrett VE3RNH
NARED Manager

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

1977. eHam.net News for Tuesday 9 October 2012

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Date: 2012-10-09 22:07:49 UTC
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Message-ID: <14dae93405b31f32e904cba7914a@google.com>
Source record: 1894
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Operators Practice Earthquake Drills:

Posted: 08 Oct 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29118

KANSAS CITY, MO (KCTV) - A natural disaster could deplete communication capabilities, and that's why more than 150 amateur radio operators are learning what to do in case that ever happens in Kansas City. Officials at the American Red Cross headquarters in Kansas City spent Saturday preparing for a large earthquake scenario. They estimate that if a magnitude 7 earthquake hit Missouri, up to a quarter million people would flock to Kansas City for refuge. The extra people and the damage from an earthquake that strong would no doubt take a big chunk of communication away, which is where amateur ham radio operators come in. The Red Cross would rely on the radio operators for communication between shelters and hospitals.

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Amateur Radio Operator Clashes with Code Enforcement:

Posted: 08 Oct 2012 05:18 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29117

KENNESAW - Lifelong amateur radio enthusiast Ritner Nesbitt, a grandfather of 10 who lives down the road from Dominion Christian Schools in west Cobb, has attracted the unwelcome attention of the county's code enforcement department. Nesbitt said he moved to his home, which is located on a wooded slope across the street from Burnt Hickory Farms subdivision, 20 years ago precisely because it was an excellent spot to pursue his passion for amateur radio, also known as ham radio, a non-commercial radio communication service. He erected three radio towers on the slope behind his home in the 1990s: two that crank up to 35 feet and one that is 70 feet in height. Two years ago, he built a fourth 140 foot radio tower which he estimates cost him "easily" $30,000 to $40,000. In March, the county received a complaint about the tower and issued Nesbitt a notice of violation. Nesbitt responded to this notice by arguing that ham radio operators are licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and therefore are exempt from local ordinances. But just to be safe, he applied for a special land permit for the 140 foot tower, which the county's Planning Commission denied on Tuesday in a 5-0 vote. The matter now heads to the Board of Commissioners on Oct. 16.

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Hams Gain in Remodeled Army MARS:

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29106

Ft Huachuca, Ariz.-- Army MARS Chief Stephen G. Klinefelter announced a major leadership realignment at a conference of the auxiliary's Region Directors Sept. 12-14. Under the terms, volunteer hams assumed day-to-day management responsibility previously exercised from the MARS headquarters at Ft Huachuca.

1978. SEXY VIDEOS YOU MUST SEE MASALA HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-10 01:37:16 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1ef4db84-5976-4f7a-b651-2c68fcc54ce9@lb2g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1895

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
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1979. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 9 October 2012

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Message-ID: <f46d044784bd6c2fad04cbab9f73@google.com>
Source record: 1896
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Wayland Community Emergency Response Team needs help - Wicked Local

Posted: 09 Oct 2012 12:39 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHZ1_oQcLrkpZQsMaQHE0Exl1Z4pA&url=http://www.wickedlocal.com/wayland/news/x1711842193/Wayland-Community-Emergency-Response-Team-needs-help

Wayland Community Emergency Response Team needs help
Wicked Local
CERT is now looking for local or nearby ham radio operators to join our team. Ham operators have become an important link when communicating during an emergency event, and serve a vital role on the team. The ham operators would need to bring their ...

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Amateur Radio Communications Workshop - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Oct 2012 12:18 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGjNmvuMmerHlyYgX_bs-gOF5azSQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/amateur_radio_communications_workshop.htm

Amateur Radio Communications Workshop
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The 2-Day National Workshop on Amateur Radio Communications and Computer Networks in Education (NW-ARCCNE) 2012 is being organized in association with the National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, IEEE Computer Society India Council ...

1980. The ARRL Contest Update for October 10, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-10 05:14:52 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121010042252.A04F3262AA@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1897
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The ARRL Contest Update

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

Wow - LOTS of things to do on HF in October. This month is one of the
busiest contest months - why? Because early fall conditions on HF are
generally quite good compared to summer and winter. No matter what your
tastes - phone, code, or digital - there are multiple contests going on
for the next couple of weeks, followed the Big Fall Four: CQ WW SSB,
ARRL Sweepstakes (CW then Phone), and CQ WW CW.

BULLETINS

The 5-day log submittal deadline for all CQ Contests was announced
after the 2012 CQ WW RTTY Contest Rules were published in the July 2012
issue of CQ magazine. Those published rules gave 15 October 2012 as the
log deadline. Accordingly, logs will not be considered late for this
event until after 15 October. (Thanks, CQ WW RTTY Director, Ed W0YK)

Take some time out of your days for students and scouts getting a taste
of radio. The ARRL School Club Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup-scr>(Oct 15-19) and the annual
Jamboree On the Air
<http://www.arrl.org/news/scouts-and-scouters-take-to-the-airwaves-for-the-55th-jamboree-o
n-the-air>
(Oct 20-21) are coming up - make a few QSOs and meet some future hams!
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BUSTED QSOS

Egregious errors were avoided in the previous issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

October 13-14

- School Club Roundup (Oct 15-19)
- North American RTTY Sprint
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Oct 20-21

- Arucaria VHF Contest
- JARTS WW RTTY Contest
- 10-10 Fall CW QSO Party
- Scandinavian YLRA Contest
- Iowa QSO Party
- New York QSO Party
- Worked All Germany
- Stew Perry Warmup Contest--CW
- W/VE Islands QSO Party
- Telephone Pioneer QSO Party
- Spooky Feld-Hell Sprint
- Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW
- Illinois QSO Party
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Oct 22)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

With the CQ Worldwide SSB contest looming (Oct 27-28), CQ Magazine <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com> publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA wasted no time, naming Randy Thompson, K5ZD as the new Director of the CQ World Wide DX Contests <http://cqww.com> (RTTY, SSB, and CW), succeeding Bob Cox, K3EST who stepped down after 35 years. Your editor is greatly pleased to see such a wise choice - thank you, Randy! Since 2008, he has been Director of the CQ WPX Contest program, making many necessary updates to that contest program's log checking and administration. As other top contesters know, Randy is an excellent operator and member of

the CQ Contest Hall of Fame, holding a number of records and representing the United States four times in the World Radiosport Team Championship. Randy is also a co-chair of WRTC-2014 <http://www.wrtc2014.org> - a busy guy! In the CQ press release, Randy is quoted, "The CQ WW is the biggest event on the contest calendar (and) I am honored to be involved and follow in the giant footsteps of K3EST. With the great conditions we are seeing on the bands, this year should be the biggest CQ WW ever! The first order of business is to have the team ready for the new 5-day log deadline and faster results reporting." His appointment to the directorship of the CQ WW creates a vacancy for Director of the CQ WPX Contests. Anyone interested in taking on the challenge of leading a major contest should contact Randy at k5zd@cqwpx.com.

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation <http://wwrof.org> (WWROF) is sponsoring a free webinar <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/415191514> on Oct 21 at 1900 Z; "CQ WW Update 2012", hosted by - who else? - but its new Director, K5ZD. The webinar will provide an update on the status of the contest including new rules for 2012, log entry tips, fair play, and various other topics of interest. Questions will be taken following the presentation. (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

The Young Amateur Contest Ham Team <http://yachthams.webstarts.com/about.html> featured in the latest Youth@HamRadio.Fun <http://www.arrl.org/news/youth-hamradio-fun-the-young-amateurs-contest-ham-team> column by Sterling, N0SSC looks like fun for new hams. The group has nearly 80 members from around the world and more than 20 mentors assisting them. They have a weekly Echolink net so everyone can participate and membership is free, so encourage your young contester to get on-board!

Bob K0RC has posted an updated CQWW RTTY Log Analyzer <http://tinyurl.com/7xjxypc> for download. The new version will import up to 3,000 QSOs. If your log is larger, send Bob an email to request a High Capacity version.

More software tools! - Jim W7EJ/CN2R has added new features and updated his Log QSO <http://logqso.com/> contest log analyzer web application. All CQ WW contest results from 1991 through 2011 can be viewed - the logs are the public logs posted by the CQ WW committee. There are several videos that describe how to use the tool - for example, you can compare the scores of up to three different stations on an hour-by-hour basis (as well as other time scales). This is a web-based application and runs on the most common Internet browsers. (Thanks, Steve N2IC)

The EU Sprint committee reports problems getting the web site updated with recent results but wants to confirm that the Autumn EU Sprint <http://www.eu-sprint.com/> contests will take place as usual, starting with the phone contest this coming Saturday. The committee (G4BUO and RW3FO) are looking for another European contester to help manage and

promote the contest - please contact G4BUO <dave@g4buo.com> directly.

CQ WW RTTY Contest <http://www.cqwpxrtty.com/> Director, Ed W0YK notes that, "It is apparent that many people do not read the robot email reply they receive. At the bottom of that email, the robot lists the format errors in the log. If you don't understand what the robot is telling you, then simply compare that specific QSO line with the format specified on the Logs webpage. The problem should be obvious." Be sure to configure your logging software to output your information in the right order as shown on the contest's "Logs" web page. (There is a known problem with MixW omitting the QTH field from the output Cabrillo file - see the Logs webpage for a workaround.) Ed reminds everyone that "you can easily edit your Cabrillo file with a text editor. Since is it common to add, change or move the same parameter field in every QSO line, a column editor is invaluable. I recommend the freeware Crimson Editor."

It's a bird, it's a plane, it's FITSAT-1
<http://www.engadget.com/2012/10/05/FITSAT-1-launched-from-ISS/?utm_medium=referral&utm_source=pulsenews>
- what's it saying up there? One of the recently launched CubeSats from Japan is covered in high-power LEDs and will be blinking out the message "HI THIS IS NIWAKA JAPAN" in Morse code as it orbits the Earth. No word was available at press time on whether the message changes to "HERE I COME NIWAKA JAPAN" as it de-orbits. (Thanks, Ken K6LA and Paul WB2ABD)

The popular AO-27 <http://www.ao27.org/AO27/index.shtml> FM satellite is currently off-line. The end-of-transmit cycle AFSK packet telemetry beacon was reported to have become stuck on a single tone. The control team now has the satellite running in a maintenance mode and is trying to determine what happened. The latest AO-27 news is posted on its webpage. (Thanks, AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-281)

Bernie W3UR asks that anyone who is doing a contest expedition and wants to announce it to please send the details to The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com/>. Please include dates, the contest name, operator(s), bands, modes, and QSL instructions along with any other details. It should also be noted that Bill NG3K also runs an online website for contest operation announcements <http://ng3k.com/Contest/> for some of the larger contests.

Web Site of the Week - The creator of CW Skimmer, Alex VE3NEA, has come out with a new and interesting freeware CW practice tool. Pileup Runner <http://www.dxatlas.com/PileupRunner> is a simulator of DX pileups. Currently at the beta-testing stage, it is intended for the DXpedition operators and those who are curious how the pileup looks and sounds at the DX side. Compared to his popular contest simulator, Morse Runner, Pileup Runner has an extra dimension: frequency. In this program just working the callers is not enough. To be successful, you also have to tune your receiver through the pileup in a smart way. (Thanks, Ed AI6O and Dennis N6KI)

WORD TO THE WISE

90 minutes - this is the length of a typical human sleep cycle from the first loss of consciousness, through rapid-eye-movement (REM) deep sleep, and back to shallow sleep. Timing your contest naps to last for about 90 minutes avoids the grogginess of being awakened mid-cycle. This eham.net article <http://www.contesting.com/articles/37> by K5ZD goes in to some detail about how to manage those all-important mid-contest Zs - and we're not talking about South Africa!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Here's something that is both a sight AND a sound - Tonno ES5TV has finally completed his 5-year project of building a double H-frame 15 meter antenna array <http://pontu.eenet.ee/es5tv/>. The antenna system has 8 pairs of 5-element Optibeam OB5-15 monoband Yagis, separated by 12 meters horizontally and 14 meters vertically, with the highest at 64 meters above the ground. Are there any bigger 15 meter arrays out there? Tonno is now trying 15 meter EME (no kidding!) but will have to wait when the MUF is low enough for the ionosphere to pass 21 MHz signals.

The photo at right is of five CubeSats launched on July 21st from the ISS by the J-SSOD small satellite deployer on the Japanese Experiment Module, also known as Kibo. It looks like Kibo has rolled some lucky numbers! SpaceRef has posted an article <http://spaceref.com/news/viewsr.html?pid=42238> online including several more photographs. CubeSats often use Amateur Radio telemetry links - check with the satellite teams if your reception reports might be useful! (From AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-281)

Here is just the thing for the living room wall - an FCC map of ground conductivity
<http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/m3-map-effective-ground-conductivity-united-states-wall-sized-map-am-broadcast-stations>
around the United States. A guaranteed conversation starter!

Although it is true that while in space, no one can hear you scream (from the movie Alien), you can translate the various fields and phenomena into tones as the Sounds of Earthsong
<http://www.redorbit.com/news/video/space_2/1112704024/sciencecasts-the-sound-of-earthsong-2/>
does for the radio emissions coming from Earth. I wonder what it sounds like after a big DX contest starts at 0000 UTC? (Thanks, Gary N0GL)

Those readers who have been around technical endeavors for "a while" will enjoy this online slide show presenting the slide rule collection
<http://www.edn.com/design/analog/4396854/Slideshow--Slide-rules-and-charts---a-personal-collection?cid=EDNToday>
of Mort Hans from EDN magazine. There are a few electronic-themed gadgets in there for you to find! Any problem that can be broken down or transformed into a series of additions and subtractions can be made into a slide rule as these widely varied "linear calculators"

illustrate.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

The preliminary August NAQP SSB results <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqpssbprelim.php> are now posted on the NCJ website. Questions about the results or the North American QSO Party SSB contest can be directed to that contest's manager, Bill AC0W <ssbnaqpmgr@ncjweb.com>.

Certificates for the 2011 ARRL Phone Sweepstakes went out the door today and the 2011 Sweepstakes plaques are being processed later this week. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Outgoing CQ WPX Director <director@cqwpx.com> K5ZD announces that Log Check Reports for all entrants to the 2012 WPX CW Contest are now available. An email with a link to the Log Check Report has been sent to everyone who submitted a log. The emails include a private link to the report file. If you submitted a log and did not receive an email, you might want to check your junk mail folder. You may also request your report directly. A deeper level of log checking than ever before was performed this year. There were 22,107 QSOs with unique callsigns among the 2,835,110 QSOs. 83.8% of those unique QSOs were determined to be incorrect. The median score reduction was 9.4%. WPX is usually a little higher than other contests since many busted calls create prefix multipliers. The official results will appear in the March 2013 issue of CQ Magazine <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/> and on the CQ WPX Contest <http://www.cqwpx.com/> website.

The DX results of the 2012 ARI International DX Contest <http://www.ari.it/images/stories/ContestHF/ARIDX-2012-DX-RESULTS.pdf> are now available as a PDF file on the ARI <http://www.ari.it/> contest website. (Thanks, ARI HF Contest Manager, Bob I2WIJ)

Results for the 16th annual Stew Perry Topband Distance Challenge <http://www.kkn.net/stew/> are now posted as well as those for the "Summer Stew". Look for a "fun story" in the results this year and don't forget about the upcoming opportunity to "warm up your stew" on October 20-21. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

New Jersey QRP Club Skeeter Hunt Results <http://www.qsl.net/w2lj/> for 2012 are now online along with all of the soapbox comments. (Thanks, Larry W2LJ)

Dink N7WA is busily compiling the Soapbox comments <http://www.eskimo.com/%7Emwdink/3830/> from this season's contest scores submitted via the 3830 website. He's starting out with the CQ WW RTTY and Texas QSO Parties - don't miss 'em!

OPERATING TIP

When you configure your logging software, pay particular attention to your category - any connection to the Internet for spotting information

requires you to enter as Assisted or Unlimited. Don't be embarrassed by mistakenly entering the wrong category! Recognizing that most casual participants do enter in the Assisted and Unlimited categories, the popular N1MM contest logging software <http://n1mm.hamdocs.com/tiki-index.php> now uses Single-Op Assisted as its default category.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Here is a very interesting article <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/oct12.pdf> by Dave AB7E about minimum discernable signal differences. He has also generated audio files with different levels, combinations of CW tones, and sending speeds that can be downloaded and played back for you to test your own listening ability.

How high is that tower? Here are two methods. K1TO's looks down and N2NL/KH2's looks up:

Looking down on a sunny day:

Measure the shadow of the tower, D1. Stick a straight rod or tube with a height H2 into the ground. Find the length of its shadow, D2. Tower height, H1 = (H2/D2) * D1. The longer H2 is, the more accurate the method will be.

The Boy Scout method, looking up:

Back away from the tower with your arm held straight out until you can stick up your thumb and place its tip at the top and base at the bottom. Turn your thumb sideways so that the base is still at the bottom and the tip is on the ground. From the spot on the ground just covered by the tip of your thumb, measure to the tower base to find the tower height.

For complete directions about transient protection with good explanations, Jim W6RMK recommends Ronald Standler's book Transient Protection of Electronic Circuits from Dover Publishing. The book includes both theory and cookbook "what do you do in situation X" instructions. As Jim points out, doing the "right thing" is no more difficult than the "wrong thing" (and he has lots of examples of poor design from a transient damage standpoint). Dover Publishing has reprinted lots of old technical books that still contain much valuable information at a much lower cost than a brand-new text.

The October 2012 issue of "Cheesebits <http://www.packratvhf.com/news.htm>", the Packrat VHF Society's newsletter, has a nice article on 6 meter propagation by Chris W3CMF. It features several interesting maps of contacts from the popular DX Maps <http://www.dxmaps.com/spots/map.php> website run by ON4KST. The article illustrates some surprising September auroral propagation as well as Trans-Equatorial Propagation (TEP) that is quite rare here in North America.

The Koolau Amateur Radio Club's Field Day team needed an antenna tuner design aimed at high-impedance, end-fed half-wave vertical dipoles. After some study, they came up with this L network design <http://www.karc.net/OperatingEvents/FieldDay/TunerBOM.html> and a detailed set of building instructions including a detailed bill of materials and parts sources.

Brad AA1IP shows us where tube design lives on in QRP homebrewer Kazuhiro JA1OZL's inspired website collection of tube circuits <http://www.intio.or.jp/jf10zl/>. There is everything from audio amplifiers, to linear amplifiers, to complete radio receivers and transmitters. He also includes some solid-state designs along with the "hollow state". By the way, Brad just managed to span the Atlantic with a QRPP radio modeled on the 10 mW Vanguard satellite beacon from 1958, using an original PNP transistor from that era! (Thanks, Brad AA1IP)

Here's thought-provoking article with parallels to radiosport - "A Study of the Performance of Wireless Sensor Networks Operating with Smart Antennas" by Skiani, Mitillineos, and Thomopoulos in IEEE Antennas and Propagtation Magazine <http://www.ieeeaps.org/magazine.html%20>, June 2012. If you replace "wireless sensor networks" with "radio contest stations" and "smart antennas" with "directional antennas" the discussion reminds me very much of how we use directional antennas to minimize interference and maximize rate. The cognitive radio folks might want to listen to the ham bands during the current contest season!

This Electronic Design article on A/D converters <http://electronicdesign.com/article/analog-and-mixed-signal/relate-adc-topologies-performance-applications-74420> is a very good overview of available types, how they work, and for what applications they are the most suited. With so much of radio depending on these ICs, it's important to understand their basic operation.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Nothing NASA measures is done "up close" as shown by this EDN collection that describes many of NASA's amazing sensors <http://www.edn.com/design/sensors/4397296/Slideshow--NASA-s-incredible-unsung-sensors?cid=EDNToday>. There is certainly more to NASA spinoffs than "Tang" and the ball-point pen! Remote sensing is important for the ham and non-ham alike.

==> CONVERSATION

Between You and Me

The definition of ethics is sometimes stated as "what you do when you think no one is watching." Given that most of what contesters do is done in our shacks with the door closed, ethics is mighty important to radiosport. I can think of no other sporting event in which all of the competitors do their work in private (or as private teams) then submit the results as a written log of activity for adjudication. This effectively doubles down on the ethical requirements for each and every

contester.

That's also why it is so maddening when a few people - by all accounts a very small fraction of us - toss ethics aside in pursuit of a certificate or plaque or just their call sign printed in a magazine or web article. That's also why the selection of K5ZD is such a good choice for CQ WW Contest Director. Randy's contesting history, his CQ Hall of Fame selection, his world records, his tenure as CQ WPX Director, his continuous leadership in the area of contest ethics - all make it clear that ethics in radiosport will be at the top of his CQ WW agenda.

Not to say that ethics did not have a place at the table in prior years - not at all! Under K3EST, major advances in log checking and adjudication - completely invisible to most contesters - were implemented and applied. The game was changed forever as higher and higher fractions of the claimed QSOs were submitted to rigorous cross-checking. No more could someone sloppily run through a pileup or "work the callbook" and expect to get away with it. Order-of-finish has never been of higher quality and as I said in the previous issue, we owe K3EST a debt of gratitude for taking numerous arrows on our behalf.

Not to say, either, that the Contest Police will suddenly be dispatched to ride forth from their barracks, knocking on those closed shack doors in the middle of the night, armed with power meters and web cams, taking loads of color glossy 8x10 photographs with circles and arrows for the judges. No, contesting will probably take place much as it has for the past fifty years...except...

Except in the shacks of some of the more obnoxious cheaters who think they may be fooling the contest sponsors. They aren't. It won't take a great deal more enforcement to help the folks having a hard time staying on the right side of the ethics fence make good decisions and for the bad eggs to find another outlet for their competitive energies. Shorter log deadlines are just one of the ways to improve contest results quality. The continuous development of better and more intelligent software tools is another.

Contest committees and sponsors have more ways of inspecting logs, too. Given the ubiquity of cheap storage and bandwidth, why, anybody - not just a log-checker - can soon expect to be able to listen to any contact at any time during a past contest. What now has to be inferred with a certain degree of uncertainty will then be directly observable. Won't that be interesting? Yes, by golly, it will!

This is a perfect example of how contesting furthers the advancement of the radio and communications arts, isn't it? Contesting is also unique in sport that competitors are also partners in each other's success. To score, we have to give each other points. I have to hand off the baton to you so that you can hand it back off to me. I like that aspect of contesting and I like the renewed emphasis on contesting ethics, the story of what happens between you and me.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

10 Oct through 23 Oct 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

School Club Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 15, 1300Z to Oct 19, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RST, class and S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup-scr>

North American RTTY Sprint--Digital, from Oct 14, 0000Z to Oct 14, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, QTH, name. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.ncjweb.com/>

10-10 Sprint--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 10, 0001Z to Oct 10, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Oct 25. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Oct 10, 0030Z to Oct 10, 0230Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Oct 10, 1300Z - See website, multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies (MHz): 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Great Pumpkin Sprint--Digital, from Oct 13, 8 PM to Oct 13, 2 AM. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.podxs070.com/>

Makrothen RTTY Contest--Digital, from Oct 13, 0000Z to Oct 14, 1600Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: 4-character grid square. Logs due: Nov 15. Rules <http://home.arcor.de/waldemar.kebsch>

Oceania DX CW Contest--CW, from Oct 13, 0800Z to Oct 14, 0800Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: Nov 12. Rules <http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/>

Scandinavian Activity Contest--Phone, from Oct 13, 1200Z to Oct 14, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS and serial. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.sactest.net/>

QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party--CW, from Oct 13, 1200Z to Oct 14, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS(T), S/P/C, QRP ARCI number or pwr. Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

Arizona Centennial QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 13, 1600Z - see website, multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50, 144, Frequencies (MHz): CW-1.812, 3.548, 7.048, 14.048, 21.048, 28.048, 50.048; SSB-1.848, 3.848, 7.189, 14.248, 21.348, 28.448, 50.148, 146.48. Exchange: Name and S/P/C or Year and AZ county. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.azqsoparty.org/>

EU Autumn Sprint--CW, from Oct 13, 1600Z to Oct 13, 2000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: Both call signs, serial, name. Logs due: 15 days. Rules <http://www.eu-sprint.com/>

Pennsylvania QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 13, 1600Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies (MHz): CW--40 kHz above band edge and 1.810; SSB--1.850, 3.825, 7.200, 14.280, 21.380, 28.480. Exchange: Serial and ARRL/RAC section. Logs due: Nov 14. Rules <http://www.nittany-arc.net/>

FISTS Fall Sprint--CW, from Oct 13, 1700Z to Oct 13, 2100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, FISTS number or pwr. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.fists.org/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Oct 14, 0000Z to Oct 14, 2359Z. Monthly on the second Saturday local time. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, SKCC nr or "none". Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

JARTS WW RTTY Contest--Digital, from Oct 20, 0000Z to Oct 21, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and age (YL may send '00'). Logs due: Nov 22. Rules <http://www.jarts.jp/>

10-10 Fall CW QSO Party--CW, from Oct 20, 0001Z to Oct 21, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 5. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

Scandinavian YLRA Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1000Z to Oct 21, 1000Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies (MHz): See website. Exchange: RS(T) and "88" (YLs) or "73" (OMs). Logs due: Nov 30. Rules <http://www.sylra.is/>

Iowa QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1400Z to Oct 20, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T) and IA county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: Nov 20. Rules <http://www.wa0dx.org/>

New York QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1400Z to Oct 21, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies (MHz): CW--1.820, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; Phone--1.870, 3.825, 7.200, 14.290, 21.350, 28.400. Exchange: RS(T), NY county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.nyqp.org/>

Worked All Germany--Phone,CW, from Oct 20, 1500Z to Oct 21, 1459Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RS(T) and serial or DOK code. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/wag>

Stew Perry Warmup Contest--CW, from Oct 20, 1500Z to Oct 21, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: 4-char grid square. Logs due: 30 days.

Rules <http://www.kkn.net/stew>

W/VE Islands QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1600Z to Oct 21, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or island designator. Logs due: Nov 30. Rules <http://www.usislands.org/>

Telephone Pioneer QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1900Z - see website, multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432. Exchange: Year of membership and chapter. Logs due: Dec 10. Rules <http://www.tpqso.com/>

Spooky Feld-Hell Sprint--Digital, from Oct 20, 2000Z to Oct 20, 2200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7,21-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

Asia-Pacific Sprint--CW, from Oct 21, 0000Z to Oct 21, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 14-21. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>

Illinois QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Oct 21, 1700Z to Oct 22, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and IL county or S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 17. Rules <http://www.w9awe.org/ILQP.html>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Oct 22, 0200Z to Oct 22, 0400Z. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

School Club Roundup--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 15, 1300Z to Oct 19, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RST, class and S/P/C. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup-scr>

Arizona Centennial QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 13, 1600Z - see website, multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50, 144, Frequencies (MHz): CW-1.812, 3.548, 7.048, 14.048, 21.048, 28.048, 50.048; SSB-1.848, 3.848, 7.189, 14.248, 21.348, 28.448, 50.148, 146.48. Exchange: Name and S/P/C or Year and AZ county. Logs due: Oct 31. Rules <http://www.azqsoparty.org/>

Pennsylvania QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 13, 1600Z - see website. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144, Frequencies (MHz): CW--40 kHz above band edge and 1.810; SSB--1.850, 3.825, 7.200, 14.280, 21.380, 28.480. Exchange: Serial and ARRL/RAC section. Logs due: Nov 14. Rules <http://www.nittany-arc.net/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Oct 14, 0000Z to Oct 14, 2359Z. Monthly on the second Saturday local time. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, SKCC nr or "none". Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

Arucaria VHF Contest--Phone,CW, from Oct 20, 0000Z to Oct 21, 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and 4-char grid square. Logs due: 10 days. Rules <http://www.avhfc.com/>

Iowa QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1400Z to Oct 20, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+. Exchange: RS(T) and IA county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: Nov 20. Rules <http://www.wa0dx.org/>

New York QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1400Z to Oct 21, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50+, Frequencies (MHz): CW--1.820, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050; Phone--1.870, 3.825, 7.200, 14.290, 21.350, 28.400. Exchange: RS(T), NY county, state/prov, or "DX". Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.nyqp.org/>

W/VE Islands QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1600Z to Oct 21, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RS(T) and S/P/C or island designator. Logs due: Nov 30. Rules <http://www.usislands.org/>

Telephone Pioneer QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Oct 20, 1900Z - see website, multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-432. Exchange: Year of membership and chapter. Logs due: Dec 10. Rules <http://www.tpqso.com/>

Illinois QSO Party--Phone,CW, from Oct 21, 1700Z to Oct 22, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: RS(T) and IL county or S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 17. Rules <http://www.w9awe.org/ILQP.html>

==> LOG DUE DATES

10 Oct through 23 Oct 2012

- October 10 - SARTG WW RTTY Contest <http://www.sartg.com/contest/wwrules.htm>
- October 10 - ARRL September VHF QSO Party <http://www.arrl.org/september-vhf>
- October 12 - Arkansas QSO Party <http://www.arkanhams.org/ARQSO/2012/AQP%202012%20Rules.pdf>
- October 15 - South Carolina QSO Party <http://scqso.com/rules/>
- October 15 - CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY <http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_contests/cq_ww_rtty_dx_contest/cq_ww_rtty_dx_contest_rules/2012_cq_ww_rtty_dx_contest_rules.pdf>
- October 16 - ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-ghz-up>
- October 16 - FISTS Get Your Feet Wet Weekend <http://www.fists.org/operating.html>
- October 16 - 4 State 4x4 QRP Sprint <http://www.4sqrp.com/FourByFour/4%20State%204x4%20QRP%20Sprint.pdf>
- October 17 - 144 MHz Fall Sprint <http://www.svhfs.org/2012fallsprintrules.pdf>
- October 19 - SARL 80m QSO Party <http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- October 20 - QRP Afield <http://newenglandqrp.org/afield>
- October 21 - EU Autumn Sprint, SSB <http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140&lang=g>
- October 21 - AGB NEMIGA Contest <http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nemiga.htm>
- October 21 - UBA ON Contest, 6m

<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/on-contest>
- October 21 - International HELL-Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/hf-hell-wettbewerb
/teilnahmebedingungen/>
- October 22 - EPC Russia DX Contest
<http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=351&Itemid=113>
- October 22 - RSGB 21/28 MHz Contest
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r2128.shtml>

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Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal> and SM3CER's
Contest Calendar <http://www.sk3bg.se/contest>.

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1981. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 10 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-10 11:05:42 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3011d90da7ac8804cbb26e3d@google.com>
Source record: 1898
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Mike Myers, VA3MPM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uttX-pOzC6g/mike_myers_va3mpm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On August 28, 2012, incorrect information about the status of a Volunteer Examiner was passed to Radio Amateurs of Canada and then further disseminated by means of a bulletin. As a result, an incorrect impression was provided to the amateur radio community of the qualification of the examiner concerned, Mr. Mike Myers, VA3MPM

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

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The IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) newsletter reports Baldock have contacted Mogadishu about Radio Hargeisa on 7120 and that Chinese Radar on the amateur radio 7 MHz band is now stronger than ever before

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Uganda DXpedition

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hqzXMepPsRM/uganda_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

After many DXpeditions in the past (5V7C, 5H1C, XT2C, J5C, TK7C, TS7C, TM7CC, IS0R, TJ9PF) and the successful PJ4C in 2012, the F6KOP team is happy to announce their next one in Uganda for February 2013

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VI5CW, Cape Willoughby, Kangaroo Island

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These videos show the VI5CW operation from the Cape Willoughby lighthouse which celebrated its 160th anniversary this year

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Radio Ham submits General-purpose SDR platform patent

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On October 8, radio amateur Tao Wang KB3KSR filed a patent (8,279,587) for
a General-purpose software defined radio platform

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ARISS and JOTA at National Scouting Museum

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Jamboree on the Air (JOTA), an activity where Scouts from all over the
world connect via amateur radio, will be held at the National Scouting
Museum in Irving, Texas on Saturday, October 20

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PACIFICON 2012 will feature ARISS contact and satellite demo station

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An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact has
been planned with youth participants at PACIFICON 2012, Santa Clara, CA on
13 October

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Amateur Radio Hellschreiber

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Randy Hall K7AGE has released this video of a Hellschreiber contact using
the free IZ8BLY software

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Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

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It's spring-time in Australia, and November 24-25 is the time for the
Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

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NARED database

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Work has begun on the development of a new database for ARES/EmmCom personnel. Particular attention is being placed on confidentially, in response to concerns of amateurs across the country

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RTA CD and SDR kits

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The South African Radio League has a small number of Radio Technology in Action CDs and SDR 80 m experimental kits available to persons who have not attended the RTA

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Special event station SI9AM

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Special event station SI9AM from the King Chulalongkorn Memorial in Ragunda, Sweden, the largest Thai Pavilion in the world outside Thailand, will be active between October 13-14th, and in the Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest (SAC)

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DXCC News

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Bill, NC1L, states, Congratulations to the team which helped to reintroduce Amateur Radio to Kosovo, and welcome back to the airwaves to the returning Hams..

1982. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 14 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-10 14:32:21 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
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Source record: 1899
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Weekly news from the WIA:
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(sourced to wia front page news)

New WIA President and Vice-President Appointed

The WIA Board of Directors held an emergency meeting last week following
the sudden and unexpected passing of WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI. Phil
Wait VK2ASD (pictured right) was formally appointed WIA President and Chris
Platt VK5CP was appointed Vice-President.

Both Phil and Chris have strong interests in progressing amateur radio and also have a wide variety of other experience and interests outside amateur radio circles.

Phil Wait has been a radio amateur since 1967 and a Director of the WIA since its restructuring in 2003. Phil owned VitalCall Medical Alarm Systems for many years, and more recently FirstCall Medical Alarms, and is also involved in sailing and constructing valve (yes- valve!) audio equipment. Phil is probably best known in amateur radio circles for the WIA's advocacy role in relation to Broadband Power Line Interference (BPL).

Chris Platt is a lawyer with over 20 years experience in industrial relations in the agricultural and resource sectors and currently works for BHP Billiton supporting the Olympic Dam resource. Chris' has experience in international labour relations having represented Australia at a number on International Labour Organisation meetings. Chris has an interest HF DXng, Contesting and High Altitude Balloons with AREG.

The vacancy created on the WIA Board can either be filled by appointment, or left vacant until the next AGM in May 2013

(wia broadcast feedback page)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Ballarat Amateur Radio Hamvention - 2012.

The Ballarat Amateur Radio Group will hold its annual Hamvention on Sunday the 21st of October 2012 in the usual venue provided by the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club in Rubicon St, Redan.

Doors open for traders at 8am and general access is at 10am.

Those that have attended in the past will know that this is a good day out in a really roomy, indoors venue with historically around 60 to 70 tables of new and preloved amateur radio gear, test gear and general bits and pieces on sale.

They work very hard to make the event a place where both first timers and regulars are welcomed, be they traders, browsers or buyers and each and everyone is given every assistance to ensure that they have a great day out.

Entry for everyone, including traders is $6 per head and tables are available for $10 per 1.6 metre section.

Ballarat would really encourage people to use the opportunity to turn over some of that gear that has been sitting in the shack for a little too long and those bit and pieces that you have been struggling to find a use for, give another amateur a chance to put it to use and make yourself a few dollars in the process.

If you don't think you could support a full table then the Ballarat Club has a table where they are more than happy to sell the goods for you for a small commission.

Historically they have had a really strong representation of commercial traders and dealers and are pleased to continue this tradition into 2012.

No amateur gathering is ever complete without a bit a food, a place for a coffee and a good catch up with friends, there is a well catered food area designated and it is provided with a goodly amount of seating with generous sized tables.

If you love building equipment then how about a bit of show and tell, there is a special section for home brew projects with sections for novices, skilled and very skilled with generous prizes for each category, amateurs just love seeing other amateurs projects and admiring their ingenuity.

If you attend every year they look forward to seeing you again, if you haven't been to Ballarat for a while then please consider paying a visit, it's a truly beautiful town with lots to do for families and they would really be delighted to see you at the Hamvention.

If you need more information then please visit the BARG web site
www.barg.org.au

or you can contact via Roger VK3ADE on 03 5330 3081
or Ian VK3AXH on 03 5341 3012.

For bookings contact hamvention2012@barg.org.au

[AUDIO PROVIDED #2 JENNY VK3FJLW 2:43]

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AHARS NEWS BULLETIN

The weekend of October 6th and 7th the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio society conducted a foundation licence course. Thanks to Barry, Sasi and Paul.

6 candidates attended and all were successful. The oldest of who is 94. Now is that a record for the oldest new foundation licencee? We look forward to hearing Len on the air when he gets his callsign. Dont forget the Club Hamfest on Sunday November 4th at the Goodwood Community Centre.

Across Australia from VK1WIA you're tuned to the WIA National News Service. In Adelaide it can be heard on VK5RAD repeater on 147Mhz at 9am. I'm David VK5KC.
[AUDIO PROVIDED 0:50]

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL,

Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, AR Victoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Amateur Radio Newsline Producer Bill Pasternak recently hospitalized.

News this week that Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF was taken ill and was unable to complete the distribution duties of the latest edition of ARNewsline. But,

'The show must go on', and one of the team stepped in to get it out in a timely fashion.

Bill is frequently heard on the VK1WIA News broadcast and we'd like to extend thanks for his ongoing efforts in bringing together his news organization on a weekly basis. He co-founded ARNewsline in 1976 and has written long-lived columns in 73 Magazine and World Radio Magazine.

While Bill's in our thoughts, it seemed like a great opportunity to get to know a little more about a well known amateur radio personality, and character.

You can find an 80-minute interview with the Guilford Amateur Radio Society on their Youtube channel, via www.W4GG.org, and his bio, along with all the staff bios can be found at www.ARNewsline.org

http://www.arnewsline.org/staffbios/bill-pasternak-wa6itf.html
Guilford Amateur Society youtube channel interview 80minute http://www.w4gg.org/
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/may2012/bill_pasternak_wa6itf_interview.htm

Band Changes for Sweden

As of 1st October, Swedish radio amateurs are allowed to operate on 1,810 to 1,850kHz with 1kW maximum power and 1,930 to 2,000kHz with 10W maximum. The section of the band between 1,850 and 1,930kHz is unavailable.

Sadly, they also lost their access to 2.3GHz, although 2.4GHz is unaffected. [RSGB]

WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

Scientists say warp drive may be more feasible than thought

Clara Moskowitz, Assistant managing editor of Space.com writes:
"A warp drive to achieve faster-than-light travel - a concept popularized in television's "Star Trek" - may not be as unrealistic as once thought, scientists say.

A warp drive would manipulate space-time itself to move a starship, taking advantage of a loophole in the laws of physics that prevent anything from moving faster than light. A concept for a real-life warp drive was suggested in 1994 by Mexican physicist Miguel Alcubierre, however subsequent calculations found that such a device would require prohibitive amounts of energy.

Now physicists say that adjustments can be made to the proposed warp drive that would enable it to run on significantly less energy, potentially bringing the idea back from the realm of science fiction into science.

"There is hope," Harold "Sonny" White of NASA's Johnson Space Center said, at the '100-Year Starship Symposium', a meeting to discuss the challenges of interstellar spaceflight."

Read the full article, including an explanation of how it could be achieved at MSNBC http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/49064028/
(VK3GR)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

A group of operators from Switzerland known as the Radio 7 Team will be
active from Rodrigues Island as 3 B 9 SP from between October 16 and 23.
Most operation will be on CW and SSB with some RTTY and PSK 31.
QSL via HB 9 ACA.

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria
several special stations are active until the end of 2012.
Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and
7Y50I.

E I 25 D B Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.
To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI 25 DB until 30th June 2013.
The station is operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led by
Declan and Pete.
QSLs to Declan EI 9 HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

Morocco CN 2 YZ through years end. His activity will be from the
city of Tangier especially on the weekends.

Philippine Amateur Radio League 50th anniversary special event
Look for special event station 4 G 0 LD to be active during 2012.
Activity is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Philippine Amateur Radio
League (PARL).
QSL via the Bureau.
Also, the P.A.R.L. is sponsoring a commemorative Diploma for amateur radio
stations that have established two-way communications with at least 12 QSOs
with PARL members.

Temotu Province H 40 FN between this December 22nd and January 7th of 2013.
QSL H 40 FN via HA 8 DD.

GB 80 PW Practical Wireless 80th year
In the UK Ofcom have issued the special call sign GB 80 PW to Practical
Wireless magazine to celebrate the publication's 80th year in print.

PT 0 S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks
The DXpedition will take place in late November to mid-December.
The actual dates will depend on weather conditions.
There had been an official ban on Amateur Radio activities from PY 0 S.
Although the ban, which was created for environmental and safety reasons,
remains in place, a special permit by Brazil's S.E.C.I.R.M.
the Brazilian Navy, Ministry of Environment and LABRE to conduct a two week
long operation.

(SouthGate)

FR/DJ7RJ Willi/DJ7RJ Reunion Island AF-016
September 26th to October 21st with CW and SSB ops 160 to 10m with emphasis
on low bands

VK9XM Pekka/OH2YY and Pekka/OH1TV Christmas Island
October 6th to October 12th SSB and CW ops 40 to 10metres

T30PY and T30SIX Tarawa Western Kiribati
October 16th to 25th, details at http://www.mdxc.org/t30py

VK4/JA1NLX Aki-san/JA1NLX Hamilton Island OC-160
October 18th to 23rd ops CW and SSB 40 to 10metres
Website www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/VK4_2012.html

KH8/JA2ZL Anci/JA2ZL Pago Pago American Samoa OC-045
October 23rd to 29th ops CW SSB RTTY 80 to 10metres

WIRELESS WEATHER

ARRL SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: A coronal mass ejection (CME) hit the Earth
on September 30, causing a jump in geomagnetic indices. The planetary A
index on October 1 was 31, while the K index went as high as 7, making
aurora visible across the northern tier of the United States. The
far-northern latitude college A index was 23 (near Fairbanks, Alaska),
about the same as the mid-latitude index -- which was 21 -- in
Fredericksburg, Virginia. It is common during a geomagnetic disturbance
to see indices go much higher toward the poles than anywhere else. The
average daily sunspot numbers declined 8.3 points to 73, while the
average daily solar flux was off exactly 1 point to 128.7. The latest
prediction from NOAA/USAF has solar flux on October 4-7 at 110, 105 on
October 8, 100 on October 9-11, 115 on October 12-13, 120 on October
14, and then rising to a peak of 150 on October 20. The same forecast
has solar flux rebounding to 150 on November 16 after reaching a
minimum of 110 on November 4-5. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on
October 4-14, then 8, 12 and 10 on October 15-17, 5 on October 18-25,
10 on October 26, and then reaching a peak of 15 on October 29.

Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, September 28. For more
information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical
Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>
[ARRL]

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

A BATTERY OF TESTS on batteries!

"Batteries come packaged in bright blister packs emblazoned with vague
guarantees such as "more pictures" and "five times longer lasting." During
his internship ... this summer, [Thomas] decided to put those statements
to the test. He tested thirty brands of batteries��on a homebrew rig to find the
batteries with the most power and the most bang for your buck.

The hardware [Thomas] used [was] an STM32 microcontroller to perform two
different tests: a high drain and a low drain condition. For the high drain,
1000 mA were sucked out of the batteries until the voltage reached 0.8 V. For
the low drain, 200 mA were used. Data including milliwatt-hours, milliamp-
hours, joules, voltage, current, power, and effective load resistance were
all logged for both conditions for all 30 batteries."

You can find his results and methodology at www.batteryshowdown.com
Thanks to hackaday.com for this article
(http://hackaday.com/2012/09/14/testing-30-brands-of-batteries/)
(VK3GR)

MEDIA WATCH

www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html

VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

VK2 CCARC news ccarc.org.au/wp/2012/09/ccarc-news-12-31/

AA7BQ ANNOUNCES SERVER UPGRADES AT QRZ.COM

Some improvements at QRZ.com. Fred Lloyd, AA7BQ, reports that he has added an additional server to the QRZ system and moved a few things around to improve performance for all users. Among the changes are that all servers have been upgraded to the latest Ubuntu Linux Edition 12.04. Also, various functions have been interchanged between the various cloud servers that host QRZ.com at Amazon Web Services.

AA7BQ says that so far the performance looks really great on all parts of the system. He notes that the callsign server, which was routinely at 90% busy now loafs along at around 50%.

You can read about all the changes made by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/qrz-improved-service. (QRZ.com)
[ARRL]

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RAILWAYS ON THE AIR (ROTA)

PERHAPS AN OPENING FOR SOME LOCAL ACTIVITY?

This weekend sees the fifth annual Railways on the Air event - a celebration, not a contest.

Bishop Auckland RAC organise the weekend so that radio amateurs have a good time and promote amateur radio while helping to celebrate the unique position railways hold in our national heritage.

Approximately 30 groups and individuals have registered for the event by approaching a preserved railway, asking if they are celebrating the birth of passenger railways in the country and whether they would like to have an amateur radio station as part of their event to promote awareness of their railway. The list of participating groups can be seen on the web site http://rota.barac.org.uk.

This year both the participating groups and any amateur who contacts 5 or more ROTA special event stations over the weekend will receive a personalised poster recognising their efforts. These can be obtained after the event by submitting logs in pdf format as detailed on the website.
[RSGB]

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ARDF

WIA ARDF COORDINATOR VK3WWW Jack vk3www@wia.org.au

http://users.mackay.net.au/~ron/

http://www.homingin.com

http://www.ardf.org.au

Aussies at the ARDF World Championships

A team consisting, Kristian Ruuska, Bruce Paterson VK3TJN, Ewen Templeton, VK3OW and his wife Jenelle attended the recent 16th Amateur Radio Direction Finding World championships in Serbia.

For those that are not familiar with ARDF it is a cross between bush orienteering and amateur foxhunting.

ARDF events were held on the usual 80 and 2 metre bands, on separate days. There was also a sprint event and a foxoring event, both on 80 metres.

The events were held close to the mountain resort of Kopaonik, where the team stayed. The altitude of 1700 meters and the steepness of the hills in the area took its toll and the team's results were mixed. Jenelle went along as the team "coach" but was persuaded to enter the foxoring event, using equipment borrowed from the British team. Her result, 5th in her age group, was the best achieved by the Australian team!
(Ewen VK3OW & Bruce VK3TJN)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW

FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net

FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org

FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk

FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

QRP CW Club is eight years old

Over the past week, the North American QRP CW Club has celebreated their 8th anniversary.

With 10 special event stations on the air, one from each USA call area from N1A to N0A, many thousand contacts had been made by the halfway point.

All contacts are eligible for Commemorative QSL cards and certificates for anyone who works one or more stations. Details about the subscription free club membership and claiming your certificates at http://naqcc.info/.
[via RSGB]

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

A Scottish icon for sale

The Turnberry Lighthouse, which started the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend in 1998, is up for sale and most likely it will be extinguished.

The international event evolved from the Scottish Northern Lighthouses Award Weekend first held in 1993.

The Ayr Amateur Radio Group GM Zero AYR, sponsor of the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend, now a premier fun event held in August, activates the Turnberry Lighthouse as GB2LT.

The 130-year old structure is to be sold by the Northern Lighthouse Board and experts believe it will become holiday accommodation in line with similar lighthouses.

It has helped ships navigate up to 24 nautical miles away. However when it was due to be refurbished in 2015, it will be sold as a cost saving measure.

Nearly 80 registrations have been received so far for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on August the 17th and 18th, 2013, with all information plus an online registration form on the website ILLW.NET

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- QRP and WEAK SIGNAL COMMUNICATION

EMR Calculator now on WIA website

Doug McArthur, VK3UM, a well-known Earth/Moon experimenter, has generously allowed the WIA to place his popular EMR assessment calculator on our website. The Calculator allows assessment of safe zones in the HF, VHF, UHF and Microwave amateur bands for a variety of antenna situations, and covers number of EMR Standards including the Australian Standard for EMR. The latest version of the Calculator can be downloaded at the wia.org.au website.

You can visit Doug VK3UM's website by clicking the following Link
<http://www.vk3um.com/>
(Peter Young - VK3MV)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING

http://www.scouts.com.au

http://www.scout.org/jota

http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES

Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:

3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:

3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:

3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,

24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):

3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31

14.070

JOTA/JOTI

The 54th + 1 Jamboree On The Air will take place on 20 and 21 October 2012 ann in VK7 NTARC's effort is at the Carnacoo camp site at Paper Beach, as part of a Northern Districts camp.

JOTA/JOTI coordinator Peter VK7KPC, advises that he is planning to get to Carnacoo on the afternoon of Friday 19 October to do preliminary setup for a JOTA station.

Peter advises that the final site won't be known until organisers have a better idea of the number of Scouts attending.

Peter is planning to use the VK7RAB to VK7RAF link to contact JOTA station being run South of Hobart and he is hopeful to have 2 HF stations active, plus IRLP on 2 metres and UHF to link South and maybe to North West coast stations.

North West Tasmanian Amateur TV Group (NWT-ATVG) have planning well under way and the Club will again be providing resources and operators over 2 days at the Paton Park Camp at Ulverstone.

Operators offering their assistance at this time with communications and control are Neil VK7NX, Ross VK7WP, Paul VK7HPD, Jim VK7JH, Graham VK7NGA, and Tony VK7AX.

Operating frequencies as per the official JOTA frequencies published again this week, best read at wia.org.au and read the text edition of this wireless news.

(sourced in the main to vk7wi)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO

IARU REGION 3

Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies

3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

SOUTH AFRICA REVITALIZES HAMNET DOMAIN

South Africa's Hamnet website was reactivated on October 1st. Hamnet is a voluntary group of radio amateurs who, like ARES in the United States, volunteer their communication skills to assist others during and after disasters.

Their Hamnet domain has been dormant for many years. Now thanks to the efforts of Dawie Conradie, ZR6DHC, an initial site has been put together and will grow with time.

The revitalized Hamnet website is described as filling the gap between the South African Radio League website and the well established Hamnet Facebook page.

All links have been incorporated in the website, including some that are international. Its located in cyberspace at www.hamnet.co.za,
(SARL)

WICEN VIC ACTIVITIES

WICEN Victoria are involved in 6 events during the next quarter.
If you are available to participate in any of these events, please get in touch with the contact listed for the event.

Saturday October 20th 2012
Mini Canoe Marathon
Echuca
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313
Email: gerwer01@gmail.com

Sunday October 21st 2012
Stockmans Rally
Big River
Contact: Ian Morris VK3IFM phone: 03 9763 0565
Email: ifm@live.com.au

Wednesday October 24th 2012
Aust. 4 Day Enduro
Warragul Area
Contact: John Morrissey VK3ZRX phone: 03 5195 5247
Email: john.morrissey@gdfsuezau.com

Sunday November 11th 2012
Coordinators and Commanders Meeting and AGM
34 Alexander St, Box Hill
Contact: John Kerr VK3BAF phone: 03 8502 8627
Email: vk3baf@gmail.com

Friday November 16th 2012
Rally Victoria
Warragul
Contact: Christopher Morley VK3CJK phone: 03 5127 5656
Email: chris.morley@gdfsuezau.com

Wednesday December 26th 2012
YMCA Murray Marathon

Yarrawonga to Swan Hill
Contact: Graham Mason VK3KMG phone: 03 5972 0704
Email: mason.group@bigpond.com

(WICEN Secretary, secretary@vic.wicen.org.au)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

OCT 21 VK3 BALLARAT HAMVENTION

NOV 3 VK4 Gold Coast Hamfest - Broadbeach Qld.

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

DEC 1 VK7 Milena Hamfest

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Submitting news items

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on

wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being

broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only

be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different

slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your

item write in the 3rd person.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

1983. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 10 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-10 16:26:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51618a1e6525104cbb6e951@google.com>
Source record: 1900
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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TX5EG Huahine Island Leeward Islands

Posted: 09 Oct 2012 01:37 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364263-TX5EG-Huahine-Island-Leeward-Islands&goto=newpost

F6BCW is currently active from Huahine Island (IOTA OC-067) , Leeward
Islands (Society Islands) as TX5EG

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ciety-islands/

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1984. [DXNL] DXNL 1800 (Oct 10, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-10 19:12:29 UTC
From: Fabian Kurz <dj1yfk@darc.de>
Message-ID: <20121010162507.GA16156@ampiainen.fkurz.net>
Source record: 1751
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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3D2, Fiji:
Cicero, PY7ZY, will be QRV as 3D2ZY from October 11 - 15 from Viti Levu/Fiji (OC-016, WLOTA 0055) on the HF bands. QSL via home call.

5X, Uganda:
Nick, G3RWF will, starting October 15th, be on the bands as 5X1NH for two months from Fort Portal in Western Uganda (WW Loc. KJ50co) in CW only. He's still looking for advice for a 160m antenna. He has some 12m masts and can reach a maximum of 15m. There are no trees, neither space for beverage antennas. (nick (at) henwood.demon.co.uk). Nick wants to take part in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24/25) and the ARRL 10M Contest (December 8/9). QSL via home call, only direct.

CN, Morocco:
Abdou, CN8VO, Jos (PD0JOS) CN2OS and Francois (ON4LO) CN2LO plan to be QRV until October 21 on the occasion of the "Concert for Tolerance" in Agadir with the special call sign 5D7AT. Activities will take place on 80 - 10m. QSL via ON4LO.

CE, Chile:
Robert, SQ1DWR, will work as CE3/SQ1DWR between October 10 and 22 on 40 - 10m in CW. QSL via home call.

CY0 Sable Island (Update):
The DXpedition by Murray, WA4DAN, and Ron, AA4VK, to CY0, announced in DXNL1801 was postponed to October 22 - 31. They will not take part in CQ WWDX SSBbut try to give as many people as possible the chance to work a new DXCC. Theirfocus will be on 10/12/15m.
http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

EA, Spain:
Until October 15, a special event station will be QRV for the

annual diploma of the "Asociacion Cultural de Radioficionados de la Guadia Civil". http://www.acragc.org

FK, New Caledonia:
Christian, KH6/F5IDM, plans to be QRV until October 13 during the "Fete de la Science" as TX5FS from Lifou Island (OC-033). QSL via F5IDM (KH6 bureau). http://www.symbiose-nc.com/fds/index.php

FO, French Polynesia (Update):
For the activities announced in DXNL 1799, Didier, F6BCW acquired the special call sign TX5EG.

J7, Dominica:
Volker, DL8WEM, will be on the west coast of Dominica (NA-101) in Salisbury from October 14 to November 7 as J79WE. He's using a K3 (100W) and dipoles for 40m - 10m bzw, mostly working in CW. A participation in the WAG contest is planned. QSL via home call.

KH8, American Samoa:
Dom, M1KTA will be QRV until October 11 as KH8/M1KTA from Pago (OC-045) on 10 to 20m in SSB, slow CW and RTTY/PSK31. QSL via home call, LoTW.

KP2, US Virgin Islands:
Ray, NM2O, will be QRV until October 16 as KP2M and KP2/NM2O. He plans to take part in the SAC phone and the Oceania DX CW contests. QSL KP2M via AI4U, KP2/NM2O via home call.

OA, Peru:
Peter, DF7NX, is active from near Puerto Maldonado (Amazonas area) as OA7/DF7NX. He's using a small station with only 50W and a G5RV, only in CW. After this activity he's going back to Bolivia and plans to start on October 19 as CP8/DF7NX. QSLs via home call.

SM, Sweden:
Markus, SA3BPG, Joel, SA3BRX, Jan-Eric, SM3CER, Lars, SM3EAE, Bjoern, SM3UQO and Goeran, SM5SIC, will operate as SI9AM on October 13/14 from the "King Chulalongkorn Memorial" in Raganda in the Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest (SAC). SA3BPG and SA3BRX are newcomers working their first contest. Outside the contest they are QRV on all HF bands. Main frequencies: CW: 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz SSB: 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz FM: 145.550 MHz and Repeater RV49 - 145.612 MHz QSL via SM3CVM, bureau cards can be requested by email. (sm3cvm (at) ssa.se). http://www.si9am.se

T30, Western Kiribati:Leo, PP1CZ, Orlando, PT2OP, Fabio, PY2AAZ, Rick, PY2PT, Alex, PY2WAS, Fred, PY2XB, Miguel, PY3MM, Fernando, PY4BZ, Jim, PY7XC and Xavier, PY7ZY, plan to be QRV on HF as T30PY and on 6m (EME in WSJT-JT65A) as T30SIX between October 16 and 25. They will have three stations on the air. Preferred frequencies: CW: 833.5, 3524, 7024, 10124, 14024, 18084, 21024, 24894 and 28024 kHz SSB: 3798, 7085, 14190, 18145, 21295, 24945 and 28495 kHz RTTY:

3580, 7038, 14080, 18102, 21080, 24920 and 28080 kHz 6m: 50102/CW and beacon, 50110-50120/SSB, 50.198/EME. Donations to support the operation are accepted by Paypal. QSL via PY2PT (OQRS). http://www.mdxc.org/t30py/

VU, Antarctica:
Bhagwati, VU3BPZ, is QRV till the end of the year as VU3BPZ/3 from the Indian antarctic station Bharati (WAP IND-04). On his way back to India, via Cape Town he will be QRV from the "MS Ivan Papanin" and show up on the bands as VU3BPZ/MM. A short stop at the "Maitri Station" (WAP IND-03) is planned as well. For mid October he expects to receive a spacial callsign for his activities. Preferred frequencies: 10m: 28495 kHz, 1100-1215z 17m: 18145 kHz, 1015-1100z 20m: 14180 kHz +/- 1400-1500z and 1700-1800z
For stations from NA he's on 14242 kHz around 0200-0300z.
QSL via I1HYW, only direct.

DXCC:
J51IFD cards of the 2010 DXpedition to Guinea Bissau are accepted for the DXCC.

CQ WW DX Contest:
Randy Thompson, K5ZD, member of the "CQ Contest Hall of Fame" and WPX Contest Director was appointed the successor of Bob Cox, K3EST, who was the director of the CQWW Contests for more than 35 years.

Youth HF Station giveaway!
In order to promote DXing and radiosporting, Randy, N0TG, and Jeff, N1SNB, of "Amateur Radio Supplies" are giving away a complete HF station to a young radio amateur. More information on their website:
http://www.amateurradiosupplies.com/youth-s/222.htm

IARU News:
The directors of the IARU Region 3 appointed Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, as the new Chairman of IARU Region 3. He's the successor of Michael Owen, VK3KI, who passed away last month.

NWRW 2012
The "National Wildlife Refuge Week" combines ham radio with the joy of experiencing the nature. Between October 14 and 20 several special event stations will be on the air from wildlife refuges. More info: http://www.nwrweek-radio.info

Upcoming Contests

13.10. The Makrothen Contest (Part 1)
13.10. VFDB Contest (Part 5 and 6)
13.10. European Sprint Contest
13.10. The Makrothen Contest (Part 2)
13.10. FISTS Sprint Contest

13./14.10. Oceania DX Contest
13./14.10. Scandinavian Activity Contest
13./14.10. QRP-ARCI QSO Party
13.10. North American Sprint
14.10. ON Contest 80m
14.10. Komi-Ruhrgebiet Memoriam QSO-Party
14.10. The Makrothen Contest (Part 3)
15.10. Whitestick-Day-Contest

IOTA: Compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (E-Mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

AF-004; EA8; Canary Islands: Mike/DL3FCG will be EA8/DL3FCG October 15-28 from Teneriffa (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276). With a beam and wire antennas for the low bands he will be on 80 - 10m in CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and JT65. He plans to take part in the WAG and CQWW SSB contests. http://dl3fcg.blogspot.de

AF-017; 3B9; Rodrigues Island: Manfred, HB9ACA, Michel/HB9BOI, Herbert, HB9BOU, Eugen, HB9BQP, Nicolas, HB9CYF, Cedric, HB9HFN, Bertrand, HB9SLO, Fritz, HB9TNA,Alain, HB9TYJ and Jacky, 3B8CF are dxpeditioning to Rodrigues Island. With three stations on the air (1 x SSB, 1 x CW, 1 x RTTY and PSK) they plan to give everyonea chance to work them between October 16 - 23. The callsign will be 3B9SP. QSL via HB9ACA (OQRS will be setup).
http://www.hb9fr.ch/3b9sp

AS-043; JA1; South Izu Islands: Suehiro/JI1PLF, Mitsuo/JA1UNS, Hisashi/7N1GMK and Takeo/7L4PVR will use their homecalls/1 from Hachijo Island (WLOTA 0436; LOC PM93) between October 13 and 16 on 160 - 6m in CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call (d/B).

EU-026; JW; Spitsbergen Island: LA9DL (JW9DL), LA6VM (JW6VM) and LA7XK (JW7XK) are QRV from Longyearbyen (WLOTA 0125) until October 15th in CW, SSB and Digi-Modes, including a participation in the SAC as JW5X. QSL via home call (d/B).

EU-120; G/M; English Coastal Islands: John/M5JON, Peter/M0ILT, Ant/MW0JZE and Chris/G1VDP plan to be active from Landy Island (WFF GFF-103, WAB SS14, WW Loc. IO71qd) as MX0LDG, from October 11 - 16. They will also activate the Landy Old Devon Lighthouse (ARLHS ENG-073, BARLS A 5617X, TWLHD WLH G-015, WLOTA 1997). They plan to work with two stations from 0600z till midnight. QSL by OQRS via M0URX. Logs will be on Clublog and LotW. Please do not send bureau cards.

NA-015; CO/KG4; Cuba: Guantanamo Bay (WLOTA 0358) will be on the air October 11-27 by Bill/W4WV (KG4WV) and Ed/KN4KL (KG4KL). On October 20/21 they will be joined by the "GTMO Boy Scout Troop" for the 55th "Jamboree on the Air". QSL via home call (d/B).

NA-034; W4; Florida State Centre West (Pasco to Sarasota County) group: Jacek/SP5APW will be QRV W4/SP5APW from Clearwater Beach

Island (USi FL157S) from October 15 - 18. He'll work in holiday style with a K3 and a Buddipole on 20/15/10m in SSB. QSL via SP5APW (d/B). http://na-034.blogspot.de/

NA-104; V4; St Kitts and Nevis: John/W5JON once again visits Calypso Bay on St. Kitts (WW Loc. FK87pg). From October 12 till November 1st he'll be on the air as V47JA on HF/6m in SSB. A participation in the CQWW SSB Contest is planned. His XYL Cathy/W5HAM will be QRV as V47HAM. QSL for both calls via W5JON (d/L).

NA-138; W4; Florida State North East (Brevard to Nassau County) group: Jacek/SP5APW will try to be QRV from Amelia Island (USi FL032S, WLOTA 3048) for one or two days (around October 12/14) as W4/SP5APW. QSL via SP5APW (d/B).

OC-086; KH0; Northern Mariana Islands: Shuji/JA1FMN is QRV from Saipan (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333) October 13 - 15 and uses the callsign KH0/JA1FMN. Expect holiday style activities on 15 and 17m in digital modes and a little SSB. QSL via JA1FMN (d/B).

IOTA Information

The following operations from July to September 2012 have been approved for IOTA credit: 3B8/IW5ELA (AF-049), RW0BG/9 (AS-083 & AS-109), RA0ZJ/P (AS-095), RU0ZM/P (AS-095), UA0ZAM/P (AS-095), UA0ZC/P (AS-095), CR5WFF (EU-040), YP1S (EU-183), KL7RRC/P (NA-150), H44UD (OC-047 & OC-149) and YE9IOTA (OC-150).

Lighthouse Activities

3D2ZY LH0055 11.10. - 15.10.
FO/F6BCW LH1977 15.10. - 19.10.

WFF Activities

DLFF
October 12-20: DF0DFF will be QRV from "Naturpark Dahme-Heideseen" (DLFF-046). QSL via DL2VFR (d/B).
PAFF
The updated PAFF list is online now:
http://www.pa-ff.nl/p/paff-references.html

Calendar
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from / to DX DXNL
16.10.-23.10. 3B9SP 1801*
8. - 14. October 3D2AS.. 1800
1August-28October 3Z70ZK 1791
to 31. December 4O60GBP 1790
to 20. September 4S7HBG.. 1798
September 5B/G3RWF 1795

to 21. October 5D7AT 1801*
23.09.-13.10. 5H1HS 1798
2. - 27. October 5H2DK 1799
8October-15December 5H3NP 1798
to 15. October 5U5U.. 1800
to 2014 5Z4EE 1753/1772/1799
2012 6D0LM 1774
13.10.-16.10. 7L4PVR/1 1801*
13.10.-16.10. 7N1GMK/1 1801*
to 31. December 7T50I.. 1788
05.10.-11.10. 7Z7AB 1800
to 31. October 8J0WAZA 1780
1October-4November 8J1ARK 1800
to 31. December 8J1KS 1800
to 31. March 2013 8J1MBR 1788
to 31. December 8J1MST 1779
to 31. March 2013 8J1SPY 1788
to 31. December 8J1STGY 1800
to 30. September2012 8J2NDP.. 1751
to 3. November 8J2YDU 1794
to 21. October 8J4HAM 1974
to 10. November 8J4MANGA 1794
to 11. November 8J4SINWA 1794
to 31. December 8J50YAX 1794
6October-5November 8J6BAL 1800
to 31. December 8J6O 1773
to 31. December 8J6OKAJO 1788
to 16. October 8J7NPMG 1799
to 31. October 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
to 31. December 8N1TDU 1780
to 30. November 8N1YKR 1800
to 30. November 8N2100MD 1800
to ca. 17. October 8P6DR 1800
unknown 8Q7HA 1796
unknown 9G5ZS 1795
unknown 9J2JA 1796
to 2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
5. - 15. October 9M2/JA1XXI 1800
to October 2014 9V1RM 1751
to September 2013 A52SV 1752
22. - 31. October AA4VK/CY0 1800/1801*
to end 2013 C91IW 1787
10. - 22. October CE3/SQ1DWR 1801*
to 28. October CG3X 1800
to 31. December CN2YZ 1771
to end 2012 CY0/VE1AWW 1784
to Mai 2013? D2SG 1748/1780
to 31. December DA0LSW 1785
12.10.-20.10. DF0DFF 1801*
07.10.-14.10. DK2RMP/p 1800

2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
to 13. January 2013 DL125HHZ 1778
01January-31December DL1630Y 1760
to 31. December DL250COAL 1779
01January-31December DM100MGY 1763
01January-31December DM50KSJ 1763
to 31. December DM800ANH 1767
to February 2013 DP0GVN 1756
to 31. December DP87SIXD 1792
to January 2013 DQ0STRATEX 1770
to 31. December DQ125HSB 1763/1784
to 31. December DR50DTANGO 1791
to 31. December E720RS 1770
15.10.-28.10. EA8/DL3FCG 1801*
1January-31December EI80IRTS 1763/1788
to 1. March 2013 FH8NX 1747
2.10.-8.11. FO/F6BCW.. 1799/1801*
7. - 12. October GB2BT 1800
to 30. September GB39RC 1798
to 31. December GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
September GO4BJC/A.. 1796
October GX4BJC/A .. 1800
to spaet 2013 H44RK 1793
to 31. December HA50ZH 1780
8. - 14. October HB0/PA4N 1800
1. - 19. October HF28JP 1799
to September 2013 HI3/KL7JR 1745
18.09. to 18.11.2012 HK3JCL 1762/1797 *
07.10.-24.10. HS0ZJF/8 1800
01January-31December II6LN 1763
to July 2013 J28UC 1734
to August 2014 J28NC 1796
14October-7November J79WE 1801*
13.10.-16.10. JA1UNS/1 1801*
13.10.-16.10. JI1PLF/1 1801*
13.10.-14.10. JW5X 1801*
10.10.-15.10. JW6VM 1801*
10.10.-15.10. JW7XK 1801*
10.10.-15.10. JW9DL 1801*
to March 2013 JX9JKA 1769/1773
to 2013 KG4AJ 1756
11.10.-27.10. KG4KL 1801*
11.10.-27.10. KG4WV 1801*
13.10.-15.10. KH0/JA1FMN 1801*
to June 2013 KH2/N2NL 1680
to March 2013 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
to 11. October KH8/M1KTA 1801*
laengerfristig KP2/NQ3X 1799
to 16. October KP2M.. 1801*

11.10.-16.10. MX0LDG 1801*
7. - 13. October N1A.. 1800
to 18.. October OA7/DF7NX.. 1801*
Resident OD5RW 1799
06.10.-12.10. OZ/DG5LAC 1800
04.10.-12.10. OZ/PA1H 1800
October P40Z 1799
4. - 31. October PB100PREFIX 1800
08.10.-14.10. PD/DO1BEN 1800
01.10.-01.11. PJ6/G4IUF 1799
to Anfang October RA0SS/0 1798
to 31. December S555E.. 1772
13. - 14. October SI9AM 1801*
05.10.-15.10. SW9C 1800
16. - 25. October T30PY.. 1801
5. - 10. October T88IK 1800
to 31. December TC50TRAC.. 1770
to 31. December TM210VH 1770
to 31. December TM70TRS 1763
04.10.-19.10. TO2M 1800
3. - 16. October TT8TT 1800
to 13. October TX5FS 1801*
12.10.-01.11. V47JA 1801*
12.10.-01.11. V47HAM 1801*
to November 2014 V73NS 604/1668/1752
6. - 12. October VK9XM 1800
to mid November VQ9JC 1755/1793
to end December VU3BPZ/3.. 1801*
15.10.-18.10. W4/SP5APW 1801*
22. - 31.10. WA4DAN/CY0 1800/1801*
to Mai 2014 XE1/DM3DL 1730
07.10.-13.10. XF1F 1800
unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
unknown Z81A.. 1798
unknown Z88Z 1800
unknown ZD9KX 1795
to 12. August 2013 ZF2TK 1800
to 2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

1B1AB via N7RO (d)
3A/G0VJG via G4DFI (B)
3B9SP via HB9ACA (OQRS)
3D2FW via RZ3FW
3Z2X via SP2YWL (L), (d)
4O60GBP via 4O3Z (d)
5D7AT via ON4LO (B)

5H1HS via DL7VSN (B)
5H2DK via OH2NNE (B)
5H3NP via WB0VGI
5N52EAM via IK2IQD (B)
5P1W via OZ1HYI (B), eQSL
5U6E via F6EXV (B)
5U8NK via DJ8NK (B)
6V7X via IK2FIL (d), (L), eQSL
7L4PVR/1 via 7L4PVR (B)
7N1GMK/1 via 7N1GMK (B)
7P8CC via EI7CC (B)
7Z1BL via DL1BDF (B)
7Z7AB via 7Z1CQ (d)
A60WSW via IZ8CLM (B)
AA4VK/CY0 OQRS
C21HA via HA5UK (B, auch OQRS)
CE3/SQ1DWR via SQ1DWR (B)
CN2LO via ON4LO (B)
CN2LO/p via ON4LO (B)
CN2OS via PD0JOS (B)
CP8/DF7NX via DF7NX (B)
CR5SB via CS5NRA (B)
CT8/VE3DZ via VE3DZ (B)
CU2KI via OH2UA (B)
DF0DFF via DL2VFR (B)
EA4/DG8KBH via DG8KBH (B)
EA8/DL3FCG via DL3FCG (B)
EA8/DL7VOA via EA8/DL7VOA (B)
EA9/EC7DZZ via EC7DZZ (B)
ED1DST via EA1DST (B)
EG3RGC via EA3ACA (B), eQSL
EH2RGC via EA2AK (B), eQSL
EM7UT via UR7UT (B)
EX8BS via RW6HS (d)
FR/DL1YAF via DL1YAF (B)
GB2BT via M0XIG (B), (L)
HB9SPACE via HB9ACA (B)
HC2/UA4WHX via UA4WHX (B), (L)
HQ2GL via AC7DX (B)
HG56OD via HA3OD (B)
HR5/W9G via AC7DX (B)
II5ISS via IZ5JLW (B), (L)
J79WE via DL8WEM
JA1UNS/1 via JA1UNS (B)
JI1PLF/1 via JI1PLF (B)
JW5X via LA5X (B)
JW6VM via LA6VM (B)
JW7XK via LA7XK (B)
JW9DL via LA9DL (B)
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d)

K5KUA/5 via K5KUA (B)
KG4KL via KN4KL (B)
KG4WV via W4WV (B)
KH0/JA1FMN via JA1FMN (B)
KH2L via W3HNK
KH6/F5IDM via F5IDM (KH6-Buero)
KH8/M1KTA via M1KTA, (L)
KP2/NM2O via NM2O
KP2M via AI4U (B)
LS1D via AC7DX (B)
MX0LDG via M0URX (OQRS)
OA7/DF7NX via DF7NX (B)
OJ0W via OH3WS (B)
OK7O via OK1OUE (B)
OM2M via OM1AJM
OQ4T via ON4TO (B)
OK6WFF via OK2MA (B), (L), eQSL
OR2F via ON8LDS
OZ/PA1H via PA1H (B)
OZ/PA7PA via PA7PA (B)
PD35SSCS via PD2RKG (B)
OT6A/p (B)
PJ2/PB2T via PB2T (B)
PJ6/G4IUF via G4IUF (B)
R55SAT via R3AS
SI9AM (B)
SN7Q via SP7GIQ
SV3/DF1XC via DF1XC (B)
SV3/DJ5YL via DJ5YL (B)
SV8/HB9AAI via HB9AAI (B)
SV9/DF8DX via DF8DX (B), (L)
SW9C via DL9USA (B)
T30PY via PY2PT (OQRS)
T30SIX via PY2PT (OQRS)
T30TT via W7JET (B), (L), eQSL
TA4/DJ5AA via DJ5AA (B)
TA4/UA9CDC via G3SWH (B)
TX5EG via F6BCW (B)
TX5FS via F5IDM (KH6-Buero)
V47HAM via W5JON (d), (L)
V47JA via W5JON (d), (L)
V73YY via BD4DYH (d)
VK9CS via JA1PBV (B)
VP9/OH2MQ via OH2MQ (d)
VU3BPZ/3 via I1HYW (d)
W4/SP5APW via SP5APW (B)
WA4DAN/CY0 OQRS
W9GL (d)
ZD9UW (B, OQRS), (L)
ZZ2T via PY2MNL (L), eQSL

(d) = direct only (B) = bureau ok
(*) = new manager (L) = LoTW

* QSLs received direct: 5R8UI (IZ8CCW)
* QSLs received via bureau: 6W/PD9DX, 8J1ITU, BV100ROC (BM2JCC), BD3BD, BD4QH, JA7BEW, OX3XR, TC1919ATA (TA6P), VK5AUQ

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1985. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 41 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-10 19:26:20 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121010192555.03300123324DE@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1752
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 41 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-10-10
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: F ; France ; Square: JN07 ; start 2012-10-13

At the occasion of ï¿½HAMEXPOï¿½ which is the yearly meeting of the ï¿½Rï¿½seau
des Emetteurs Franï¿½ais , REF-Union " a 2M EME station will be active
the 13 th of October from 06:00 to 16:00 GMT.
The goal being to show and explain the 2M EME activity by making QSOs.
We count on you to call us and get a ï¿½new init ï¿½.
QSL via French bureau.
Call : F6REF
QTH: TOURS city
Locator: JN07IJ
Frequency: 144.137 MHz (F6REF first)
Setup:
2 x 8 ï¿½liï¿½ments X-pol I0JXX
Tx: IC7000+SSPA MRFE6VP11KH
Rx: Double LNA ATF54143 NF 0.3dB.
Home made dual SDR
MAP65

SOURCE: Lucien F1TE via Moonnet

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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1986. eHam.net News for Wednesday 10 October 2012

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Date: 2012-10-10 22:16:15 UTC
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Message-ID: <14dae93405711cf36d04cbbbcd9e@google.com>
Source record: 1753
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eHam.net News

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New WIA President and Vice-President Appointed:

Posted: 09 Oct 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29120

The WIA Board of Directors held an emergency meeting last week following the sudden and unexpected passing of WIA President Michael Owen VK3KI. Phil Wait VK2ASD (pictured right) was formally appointed WIA President and Chris Platt VK5CP was appointed Vice-President. Both Phil and Chris have strong interests in progressing amateur radio and also have a wide variety of other experience and interests outside amateur radio circles. Phil Wait has been a radio amateur since 1967 and a Director of the WIA since its restructuring in 2003. Phil owned VitalCall Medical Alarm Systems for many years, and more recently FirstCall Medical Alarms, and is also involved in sailing and constructing valve (yes- valve!) audio equipment. Phil is probably best known in amateur radio circles for the WIA's advocacy role in relation to Broadband Power Line Interference (BPL).

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Mike Herr, WA6ARA Hits the Amateur Airwaves:

Posted: 09 Oct 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29119

RIDGECREST -- Surrounded by radios of all sizes and ages, Mike Herr listens, monitors and chats with other people communicating over a wide area. Occasionally radio blips and chatter picks up across the airwaves. For Herr, 57, it's all part of a normal day when he's working on his radios, especially since he's been doing it for 42 years, since he was 15 years old. "I became a ham operator because of my father, as he was a ham operator at the time," Herr said. Amateur radio operators (or ham operators as a term of affection) operate radios as a means of communication on radio frequencies separate from commercial and citizen bandwidths with consent from the Federal Communication Commission.

1987. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 10 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-11 02:59:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba21213b91a4d104cbbfc17d@google.com>
Source record: 1754
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Supplies Announces Giveaway - Radio World

Posted: 10 Oct 2012 09:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEb9ApQpInX_OZX2mf9Be-R8PsjLw&url=http://www.radioworld.com/article/amateur-radio-supplies-announces-giveaway/215841

Amateur Radio Supplies Announces Giveaway
Radio World
“Getting on HF in todays economy is very challenging for many, but especially for our youth operators,” said Jeff Demers, the owner of Amateur Radio Supplies. “Many youth operators are unable to purchase the needed equipment to get on the air … We ...

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TARS is always prepared for emergencies situations - Memphis Commercial Appeal

Posted: 10 Oct 2012 06:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFPg4pz7mIDBFM5KxBi31iXqSCT8A&url=http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/oct/10/tars-is-always-prepared-for-emergencies/

TARS is always prepared for emergencies situations
Memphis Commercial Appeal
Amateur radio relies on technology first used more than a century ago. Unlike cell phones or satellite communications, ham radio relies on a specific radio units antenna to broadcast to other nearby units on a given frequency. This makes them useful ...

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Shakeout Earthquake Drill set for Oct. 18 - OCRegister

Posted: 10 Oct 2012 03:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEP-f9ge8HeofksypdIXZGQuEFprw&url=http://www.ocregister.com/news/disaster-374187-first-supplies.html

Shakeout Earthquake Drill set for Oct. 18
OCRegister
The Disaster Preparedness Task Force and the Amateur Radio Club will participate with over 8 million California residents in the Great California Shakeout Earthquake drill at 10:18 a.m. on Oct. 18. All levels of schools and universities, hospitals and ...

and more

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Severe weather spotter class offered - TCPalm

Posted: 10 Oct 2012 10:26 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFc42pgZGCzIf-luPJ9EbKC9bp2Yg&url=http://www.tcpalm.com/news/2012/oct/10/severe-weather-spotter-class-offered/

Severe weather spotter class offered
TCPalm
The Martin County Amateur Radio Emergency Service/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service groups will host a National Weather Service SKYWARN Spotter Class starting at 9:30 a.m. Nov. 3 in Room 225 at the Martin County Emergency Operations Center ...

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Radio Ham submits General-purpose SDR platform patent - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Oct 2012 09:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHaXOY1I9_wEU1HN0-gDp0xwPMj_w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/radio_ham_submits_general_purpose_sdr_platform_patent.htm

Radio Ham submits General-purpose SDR platform patent
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The patent describes a flexible, compact size, low power consumption, low cost, high performance software defined radio platform that can be used in different areas, including industrial applications, amateur radio, and academic research. The present ...

1988. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 11 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-11 11:16:37 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9341007efbdad04cbc6b343@google.com>
Source record: 1755
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Sarah Brightman to fly to International Space Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vvlFxineLt0/sarah_brightman_to_fly_to_international_space_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Wednesday, October 10 it was announced in Moscow that private spacefarer Sarah Brightman had passed the required mental and physical examinations to fly into space. In 2013 she will undertake six months of training at Star City in Moscow in preparation for her mission to the International Space Station (ISS)

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XCV4FYfPpF8/october_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Yet another very active week on Ten Metres, 5 or more contacts needed to get into the list. 3D2C (Conway Reef) was popular along with ZD9UW (Tristan da Cunha),. TT8TT (Chad) and VK9XM (Christmas Is) on Sunday. Again there was loads of other DX about

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ARISS PACIFICON contact also on Echolink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5g6XyrmCxkc/ariss_audio_event_1310.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at:
PACIFICON - ARRL Pacific Division Conference and 2012 ARRL National Convention on Saturday 13 October 2012 AOS at 18:57 UTC

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How solar storms create the Northern Lights

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NxmxxyW12KI/how_solar_storms_create_the_northern_lights.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this BBC News video Professor Dag Lorentzen explains how solar storms affected the Earth's magnetic field to create the Aurora Borealis

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ssBlecsRGaM/october_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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BRS Media concerned over ICANN trademark use

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RHDmgi7NqO4/brs_media_concerned_over_icann_trademark_use.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

BRS Media has apparently raised concerns about the use of the ICANN trademark by EBU, IARU and ARRL

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Uganda op still in need of antenna advice

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_mOA4pvkMQI/uganda_op_in_need_of_antenna_advice.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Nick, G3RWF will, starting October 15th, be on the bands as 5X1NH for two months from Fort Portal in Western Uganda (WW Loc. KJ50co) in CW only

1989. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 11 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-11 16:45:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced1f7ce1904cbcb4a13@google.com>
Source record: 1756
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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W2B Music by the bay special event Nov. 1 2012 - Nov. 5 2012

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 07:00 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364443-W2B-Music-by-the-bay-special-event-Nov-1-2012-Nov-5-2012&goto=newpost

Special event station W2B will be on the air November 1, 2012 thru November 5, 2012.

Comemorating Music by the Bay. A folk music festival right here on the Barnegat Bay. Located right across the bay from Old Barney (The Barnegat Lighthouse). We will be operating on 10m, 15m, 20m, 40m, and possibly 80m.

All QSL requests should be accompanied by a SASE or sufficient postagefor all USA calls and SAE and sufficient postage ($2 usd or 1 IRC).

Also all QSL requests without proper posage will be sent via the Buro.

All requests should be sent and addressed to W2CCW addrees found on QRZ.com

All Log entries will also be uploaded to LOTW and EQSL.

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TO2A French Guiana

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 06:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364436-TO2A-French-Guiana&goto=newpost

N6KT will be active from French Guiana 20-30 October 2012 as TO2A

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...french-guiana/

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1990. ARRL Honors MFJ "Mighty Fine Junk"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-11 20:37:25 UTC
From: Matt Warner <Matt@gmail.com-spam>
Message-ID: <k57amh$8q0$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1757
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc

ARRL Recognizes: MFJ's Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, Honored at ARRL Day in the Park

Martin F. Jue, K5FLU (left) of MFJ Enterprises accepts the ARRL Special Achievement Award from ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B (right). ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, holds the award.

To celebrate 40 years in the Amateur Radio business, MFJ Enterprises hosted ARRL Day in the Park in Starkville, Mississippi, October 5-6. Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, started MFJ in October 1972 in a Starkville hotel room with one product: a CW filter kit that sold for less than $10. Today, MFJ consists of six different ham radio companies that manufacture more than 2000 products. ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, and ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, represented the League at MFJ's ARRL Day in the Park. The two-day event brought 500 people to Starkville and featured tours of the MFJ facilities (including the factory and metal shop), tailgating, forums, demonstrations and lunch. Kramer presented Jue with the ARRL Special Achievement Award, honoring Jue and MFJ for their four decades of service, as well as the company's innovative products, which have contributed to the enjoyment and effectiveness of Amateur Radio all around the world. Tom Medlin, W5KUB, was at the event and produced a video of the speeches and presentations, which can be viewed here.

<http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/25962423>

1991. The ARRL Letter for October 11, 2012

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==> + FCC NEWS: FCC SEEKS TO CHANGE AMATEUR RADIO LICENSING RULES

On October 2, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WT
Docket No. 12-121 that seeks to change the Amateur Radio licensing
rules, especially as they concern former licensees. Acting upon an
April 2011 Petition for Rulemaking filed by the Anchorage VEC to give
permanent credit to radio amateurs for examination elements they have
successfully passed, the FCC proposes to revise Section 97.505 to
require that Volunteer Examiners (VEs) give examination credit to an
applicant who can demonstrate that he or she formerly held a particular
class of license. In addition, the Commission seeks to shorten the
grace period during which an expired amateur license may be renewed and
to reduce the number of VEs needed to administer an amateur license
examination. Read more here
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<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-change-amateur-radio-licensing-rules-allow-additional-emission-types>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC AGREES WITH ARRL ON EMISSION DESIGNATORS, TDMA

Part of WT Docket No. 12-121 (see above) included a response to a March 2011 Petition for Rulemaking filed by the ARRL. Through the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the FCC is seeking to amend the Amateur Service rules to allow amateur stations to transmit additional emission types in order to permit Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) in the Amateur Service; however, it denied the League's request for a blanket waiver pending the resolution of the rulemaking proceeding. The FCC pointed out that one of the purposes of the Amateur Service is to contribute to the advancement of the radio art: "Allowing amateur stations to use communication technologies that are used in other radio services, such as TDMA technologies, allows Amateur Service licensees to experiment with and improve these technologies and, therefore, is consistent with the basis and purpose of the Amateur Service. For this reason, we agree with the ARRL that the current rules allowing the use of multiple time-slot TDMA repeaters, but not permitting amateur stations to transmit single-slot TDMA emissions, may be unnecessarily impeding Amateur Radio operators in advancing the radio art." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-change-amateur-radio-licensing-rules-allow-additional-emission-types>.

==> + ON THE AIR: SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS TAKE TO THE AIRWAVES FOR THE 55TH JAMBOREE ON THE AIR

Each year, more than 500,000 Scouts in more than 100 countries take to the airwaves on the third full weekend in October -- and this year on October 20-21, it will be no different. The Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) is an annual Scouting and Amateur Radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout Movement where Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from all over the world speak to each other via Amateur Radio. Since 1958 -- when the first Jamboree on the Air was held -- millions of Scouts have met through this event. Many contacts made during JOTA have resulted in pen pal relationships and links between Scout troops that have lasted many years. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/scouts-and-scouters-take-to-the-airwaves-for-the-55th-jamboree-on-the-air>.

==> THE ARRL OFFERS FIVE NEW BOOKS FOR FALL

The ARRL has just released five new books that you are going to want to have in your shack. This fall, two favorites have been re-released and are chock-full of new information: hardcover and softcover editions of The ARRL Handbook for Radio Communications (90th edition), The ARRL Operating Manual (10th edition). In addition, the ARRL is proud to offer three new titles: The Amateur Radio Public Service Handbook, The Care and Feeding of Transmission Lines by QST Technical Editor Joel

Hallas, W1ZR, and Antenna Modeling for Beginners by H. Ward Silver, N0AX. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-offers-five-new-books-for-fall>.

==> + IARU NEWS: IARU REGION 2 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS IN CURACAO

The IARU Region 2 Executive Committee met in Curacao September 29-30. Led by Region 2 President Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AM, the meeting was attended by Region 2 Officers and Area Directors; Area B Director and ARRL International Affairs Vice President Jay Bellows, K0QB, represented the United States. IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, represented the IARU and IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T, represented IARU Region 1. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/iaru-region-2-executive-committee-meets-in-curacao> .

==> + ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster. As one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2012-international-humanitarian-award>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: ATTENTION KIT BUILDERS -- THE ARRL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful, educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more advanced projects. We are looking all sorts of kits, but RF detector kits that work in the 380 MHz-2.5 GHz range are of special interest. The kits should also have a "Wow, I built this and it works!" factor. If you know of such a kit, please let us know by filling out a simple form here <http://www.arrl.org/technology> by October 31.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: There was another decline in sunspot activity this week, although activity may be making a slow recovery based on recent activity over the past few days and projected solar flux values. The average daily sunspot numbers dropped from 73 to 51.7, a difference of 21.3 points. But the past two days saw sunspot numbers

(63 and 71) higher than the average -- and climbing. The average of daily solar flux was off 23.8 points to 104.9, and like the sunspot figures, the past two days saw solar flux values (106.2 and 112) higher than the average for the week. The predicted solar flux from the Wednesday, October 10 NOAA/USAF forecast is 115 on October 11-13, 120 on October 14-15, 115 on October 16-18, then 145, 150 and 145 on October 19-21, 140 on October 22-23, and 135 on October 24-27. We then see solar flux dip below 100 on November 4-8 and peak at 150 again on November 16. The predicted planetary A index for October 11-17 is 10, 5, 5, 12, 12, 10 and 8, and then 5 on October 18-November 3, and then rising to 18, 20, 12 and back down to 8 on November 4-7. We saw the most geomagnetic activity on October 8-9 showed the most, with the planetary A index at 35 and 42, the mid-latitude A index at 21 and 32 and the high latitude college A index at 66 and 54; this activity was triggered by a coronal mass ejection on October 8. The predicted rise in planetary A index to 12 on October 14-15 is due to a solar wind spewing from a coronal hole, which should rotate into a geo-effective position during that time. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, October 12. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: MFJ'S MARTIN F. JUE, K5FLU, HONORED AT ARRL DAY IN THE PARK

To celebrate 40 years in the Amateur Radio business, MFJ Enterprises <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/> hosted ARRL Day in the Park <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/dayinpark.php> in Starkville, Mississippi, October 5-6. Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, started MFJ in October 1972 in a Starkville hotel room with one product: a CW filter kit that sold for less than $10. Today, MFJ consists of six different ham radio companies that manufacture more than 2000 products. ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, and ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, represented the League at MFJ's ARRL Day in the Park. The two-day event brought 500 people to Starkville and featured tours of the MFJ facilities (including the factory and metal shop), tailgating, forums, demonstrations and lunch. Kramer presented Jue with the ARRL Special Achievement Award, honoring Jue and MFJ for their four decades of service, as well as the company's innovative products, which have contributed to the enjoyment and effectiveness of Amateur Radio all around the world. Tom Medlin, W5KUB, was at the event and produced a video of the speeches and presentations, which can be viewed here <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/25962423>.

==> ARRL HQ SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR QST TECHNICAL EDITOR

The League is currently looking to fill the position of QST Technical Editor at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. Connecticut residency or the ability to relocate to Connecticut is required. The QST Technical Editor will provide leadership to the technical Amateur Radio community by developing and promulgating a vision of the state of the Amateur

Radio art through the pages of QST.

Qualifications:

- Broad knowledge of and experience with Amateur Radio and electronics.
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- A minimum of three years of writing or editing experience.
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively and productively with a variety of people.
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office, especially Word and Excel.
- An Amateur Extra class license.

Click here <http://www.arrl.org/employment-opportunities> for more information and an application. To apply, please send your cover letter and resume via e-mail <mlevesque@arrl.org?subject=Technical20Position>, or complete the application, print it out and mail it with your resume and cover letter to Monique Levesque, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. You can also fax your application, cover letter and resume to 860-594-0298. Please include your salary history and salary requirements. The ARRL is an equal opportunity employer.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- October 12 -- NCCC Sprint
- October 13 -- EU Autumn Sprint (CW); FISTS Fall Sprint
- October 13-14 -- Arizona QSO Party; Pennsylvania QSO Party; Makrothen RTTY Contest; Oceania DX Contest (CW); QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party; Scandinavian Activity Contest (SSB)
- October 14 -- North American Sprint (RTTY); SKCC Weekend Sprintathon

Next week:

- October 15-19 -- ARRL School Club Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>
- October 19 -- NCCC Sprint, MCG Autumn Sprint
- October 20 -- Iowa QSO Party; Feld Hell Sprint
- October 20-21 -- New York QSO Party; 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW); Stew Perry Topband Challenge; JARTS WW RTTY Contest; Worked All Germany Contest; Araucaria VHF Contest; 10-10 International Fall Contest (CW); W/VE Islands QSO Party
- October 21 -- Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint (CW); UBA ON Contest (2 meters)
- October 21-22 -- Illinois QSO Party
- October 22 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- October 24 -- SKCC Sprint
- October 24-25 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- October 12-14 -- ARRL National Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arrl-national-convention-pacificon-2012>, Santa Clara, California
- October 13 -- ARRL Iowa State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-state-convention-hamboree-2012>, Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
- October 13-14 -- ARRL Florida State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/florida-state-convention-melbourne-hamfest-1>, Melbourne, Florida
- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest-computer-expo-1>, Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfest-computer-show'>, Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery, Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-computer-expo-1>, Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-2>, Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-1>, Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>, Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfest>, Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo, Puerto Rico

- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Event planned for radio amateurs - Jacksonville Daily News

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Jacksonville Daily News
Event planned for radio amateurs
Jacksonville Daily News
People come and see friends they havent seen all year," said Janice Hopkins, a member of the Carteret County Amateur Radio Society and ARRL public information officer for North Carolina. As part of the National Weather Service Skywarn network, Hopkins ...

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Calling all ham radio operators - Agoura Hills Acorn

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 09:13 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFlmji2GF3MIzSzoZ4kMh0N0YWYZA&url=http://www.theacorn.com/news/2012-10-11/Community/Calling_all_ham_radio_operators.html

Calling all ham radio operators
Agoura Hills Acorn
The meeting is for licensed amateur radio (ham) operators, those that want to become licensed ham operators and others who are willing to help the community in times of emergencies and disasters. Participants do not need to stay for the entire time.

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BRS Media Voices Concern Over EBUs Use of ICANN Trademark - Broadcast Newsroom

Posted: 10 Oct 2012 11:33 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFblYCa3Sm6Qlz-rfHq9fMAH-ZmYg&url=http://www.broadcastnewsroom.com/article/BRS-Media-Voices-Concern-Over-EBUs-Use-of-ICANN-Trademark-2236143

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Broadcast Newsroom
The EBU and its sister union International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), in association with The American Radio Relay League (ARRL), are using ICANNs trademark logo on its website and blog, with regards to endorsements and information regarding EBUs ...

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Hamfest unites amateur radio enthusiasts - The Mountain Press

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Hamfest unites amateur radio enthusiasts
The Mountain Press
Ten-Tec primarily builds amateur, or ham, radio equipment, which it sells directly to the consumer. "Every year we try to announce some new products, and we hold a forum where our engineering manager and one of our salesmen talk to costumers about ...

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1993. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1835 - October 12 2012

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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1835 - October 12 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1835 with a release date of October 12 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking aimed at changing the Amateur Radio licensing rules and lots more; the R-S-G-B replies to UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom on the future of 143 to 156 MHz; hams in Sweden effectively loose access to the 2300 MHz band and a ham radio operators success in gaining approval for a 65 foot tower leaves neighbors very unhappy. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1835 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: FCC PROPOSES MULTIPLE CHANGES INN THE PART 97 AMATEUR SERVICE RULES

The FCC has put forth a series of suggested Part 97 rules changes which when taken as a whole literally redefine many aspects of the United States Amateur Radio Service. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, takes a look at what the regulatory agency sees in ham radio's future:

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It's not a done deal by any stretch, but the FCC has put a few proposals out there for public comment and it's interested in hearing from you.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making or NPRM can be divided into a few basic categories - exam credit for expired licenses and grace periods for expired licenses, a change in the number of volunteer examiners needed for a valid testing session, and emissions and experimentation by amateurs.

Rich Moseson, W2VU, is editor of CQ Magazine, and Amateur Radio Newsline called upon him for his take on the proposals.

Let's begin with one that could have the biggest impact, the proposal to give examination credits for anyone who held a license that expired, thereby eliminating the need for re-testing for someone who has an expired license.

Moseson says he wholeheartedly endorses the idea of being able to recover a license a ham once held. He says right now, the current FCC rules are scattered on this....

"If you held a particular type of license at a particular time then there's no limit on being able to get it back without re-testing," Moseson explains. "But if you held a higher class license or a lower class license or the same license at a different time and it's expired and beyond the grace period, then you can't get it back without re-testing.

"So, the current rules make no sense."

Moseson says he's uncertain how many hams are out there who let their licenses lapse years ago, but he suggests the FCC recognizes they should be allowed to get back in without putting an undue burden on them.

Controversial? Maybe, for some. But Moseson says he believes it's a win-win for the hobby...

"I don't think that we've been greatly damaged from having the ability to re-gain licenses once held without additional testing on the license classes that are permitted," Moseson says. "And, I don't think there will be any great hazard to the hobby. In fact, I think there will be benefit to the hobby of letting people whose licenses have expired return if their interest has returned as well."

If that doesn't quite sit well with you, Moseson suggests considering this:

"There's really very little difference between this and what goes on if you maintain your license," Moseson says. "There are no activity requirements. So, as long as you renew your license every 10 years now, you can be licensed continually without taking a test even if you haven't been on the air in 30 years.

"And, if you want to come back on the air - as long as you've maintained your license - then you just turn on the radio. Well, if you've let your license lapse, there's really not much difference. "So, if you've passed the test for a license, if you've held that license before, and you want to get back into ham radio, let's welcome you back with open arms and not make you have to take your test again when other people don't have to take that test again."

Now, on to the proposal to have only two volunteer examiners at a testing session.

Moseson says he feels a little uncomfortable with that idea, although the FCC suggests it will open up more exam opportunities and make it easier for people to get a ham license....

"I think that a minimum of three people is important at first glance," Moseson says. "I would be open to looking at the comments from other people. But from my personal experience, I think it's good to have a

minimum of three people because it just reduces the possibility of any kind of shenanigans to a much lower level.

"And, that was the reason for putting in the three-examiner requirement to begin with and I think that's still valid."

There's also the idea of remote testing sessions - that is using the technology for VEs to observe an exam session. The FCC's rationale is colleges and businesses use teleconferencing and maybe it's time to explore that option. Moseson says timing might be right...

"Yes, the technology needs to be acknowledged," Moseson say. "I don't think we should necessarily just jump right into it. I would suggest a pilot program first to see how well it works out and then take it from there."

Moseson says he's encouraged by the proposal looking at the modes for amateur radio transmissions. He says there are too many restrictions and limitations on hams which can stifle rather than encourage experimentation.

He says the FCC is wise to look at the issue, especially considering the area of TDMA or Time Division Multiple Access technology for amateur radio.

"I think that the more that we can do with them as hams, in addition to what the commercial world is doing, the better off we'll all be because that competition is a fact of life," Moseson says. "You know, you look at our microwave bands which are really where a lot of the future is going to be - 2.4 Ghz, 5.8 Ghz - these bands are already shared.

"And if we can make better use of that sharing so that we can do what we want to do without bothering the other people and without having them bother us then that's great we can all get by very well."

Moseson says he still hasn't had a chance to go through the entire NPRM. He intends to study it and encourages hams to take the initiative and digest it before commenting...

"Well, I would encourage people to download the NPRM from the FCC website and read the whole thing, particularly before sending in comments to the FCC on it," Moseson says. "I've seen too many people in other situations send in comments on an NPRM based on a summary and they haven't read the whole thing and they come off looking uninformed."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V in Philadelphia.

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WT Docket No. 12-121 is expected to draw a lot of discussion in ham radio circles and we will have more on it in upcoming Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (FCC)

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RESTRUCTURING: RSGB, BATC AND AMSAT-UK REPLY TO OFCOM ON HF SPECTRUM

Meantime, across the Atlantic, the Radio Society of Great Britain in concert with the British Amateur Radio Club and AMSAT-UK, has submitted a response to telecommunications regulastor Ofcom's Consultation or Notice of Inquiry on the future use of VHF spectrum from 143 to 156 MHz. This being the bandspace that was formally used by the British Home Office.

According to the R-S-G-B, the unique nature of this spectrum, and the fact that it surrounds the existing 2 meter amateur radio band, suggested a creative response. One the R-S-G-B stated that would need to be competitive with the likely responses from Business Radio users. No details of the actual text of the response are known as we go to air.

(RSGB)

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RESTRUCTURING: SWEDEN HAM COMMUNITY LOOSES 2300 MHZ BAND

Swedish radio amateurs have basically lost the 2300 MHz band although they have gained some spectrum at 1.8 MHz.

The Swedish Amateur Radio Society, the S-S-A, reports the loss of the 2300 MHz band with effect from October 1st. And while 2400 to 2450 MHz is still allocated for amateur radio operation the power there is limited to just 100 milliwatts at the antenna.

However there is good news down lower in frequency. Sweden used to have "Top Band" allocations of 1810 to 1850 kHz at max 1 kW and 1930 to 2000 kHz with a maximum of 10 Watts out. As of October 1st this changed to 1810 to 1850 kHz at 1 kW and 1850 to 2000 kHz with a maximum of 10 watts. Power output is measured at the antenna.

(SSA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FOUR CUBESATS DEPLOYED FROM ISS

Radio amateurs around the world have been listening for signals from the four new amateur radio CubeSats that were deployed from the International Space Station on Thursday, October 4th.

FITSat-1 has a CW beacon on 437.250MHz, 1200 bps AX.25 packet radio on 437.445MHz and a high-speed data transmitter on 5840.0MHz.

F-1 has the callsign is XV1VN and the communications subsystem is built around two Yaesu VX-3R amateur radio handheld transceivers. One will transmit 1200 bps packet radio every 30 seconds on 145.980MHz while in darkness. The other will operate only in sunlight sending a 20 second FM transmission of a CW tone on 437.485MHz followed by a 60 second gap.

TechEdSat carries a 1200 bps packet radio transmitter on 437.465MHz.

WE-WISH transmits CW and 1200 bps packet radio on 437.505MHz. Due to the effects of Doppler shift the 70cm downlink frequencies will vary by +/- 10 kHz during an 8 minute pass.

Each could have a life-time of 4 or 5 months before they burn-up on reentry into the Earth's atmosphere.

(AMSAT, GB2RS)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W-Zero-B-Zed-N repeater of the Newton Amateur Radio Club serving Newton, Kansas.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC REFUSES TO RECONSIDER $10000 NAL

The operator of an unlicensed radio station in Florida will have to pay a $10,000 fine. This after the FCC turns down his petition for reconsideration where he failed to prove he could not afford to pay. We have more in this report:

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The FCC has refused to reconsider a $10,000 fine issued to Neal Davis of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In its September 28th release the regulatory agency stated that Davis appeal of the forfeiture order did not meet the criteria set out by the agency in regard to providing proof that such a fine would prove to be a financial hardship.

In his Petition, Davis did not deny that he operated an unlicensed radio station and therefore violated Section 301 of the Communications Act. Rather, he urged the cancellation of the forfeiture based on an inability to pay claim. Specifically he asserted that he is currently unemployed and has no income but Davis did not provide any financial or other form of documentation to corroborate his asserted financial status.

In the absence of any supporting financial or other reliable documentation, the FCC says it has no basis by which to evaluate Davis's inability to pay claim and are constrained by the limited record before it. As such the FCC has denied the Petition and affirmed the Forfeiture Order.

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Davis was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine. If he fails to do so the matter could be turned over to the Department of Justice for further action. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: WIRELESS CAMERA IN PALM TREE INTERFERES WITH FAA RADAR

The FCC has issued a Notice of Violation to the Redondo Beach Marina in Redondo Beach, California. This, for operating an unlicensed wireless video surveillance camera that was found to be causing interference to an FAA Radar system.

After receiving a complaint from the Federal Aviation Administration concerning interference to their 1240 to 1300 MHz band radar in San Pedro, California the Los Angeles FCC Office dispatched agents to investigate the matter. The agents used direction finding to locate a radio signal on 1282 MHz emanating from a wireless camera mounted on a Palm tree in the parking lot of Redondo Beach Marina. When AC power to the camera was disconnected, the interference ceased.

Based on this finding, a cease and desist notice was issued telling the Marina that use of the wireless camera must stop immediately. And in its September 20th letter to the Redondo Beach Marina it was warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws and could subject the operator of this illegal operation to severe penalties. (FCC)

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HELPING YOUTH: AMATEUR RADIO SUPPLIES ANNOUNCES YOUTH GIVEAWAY

Amateur Radio Supplies of Haverhill, Massachusetts, has announced a new biannual giveaway. This to promote youth in amateur radio DXing and contesting.

Beginning January 1st of 2013, the company says that it will give a complete high frequency station to the selected applicant. The gear to be presented will include Alinco DX-SR8T/E 160 through 6 meter all mode transceiver with a 30 amp power supply, an L-D-G antenna tuner, a choice of an all band G5RV or HyGain DX-77A Vertical plus just about all the accessories to put it all on the air.

Applicants from any country under the age of 21 are invited to provide brief answers to the following three questions. These are how often are you able to operate on the HF bands? Where do you typically operate from and how do you intend to use the equipment provided in the give-away.

Send your answers along with your name, callsign, and license class using the form at www.amateurradiosupplies.com/youth-s/222.htm. Nominations will also be accepted.

For more information please e-mail Randy Rowe at randy (at) amateurradiosupplies (dot) com. Amateur Radio Supplies is a new company that provides a full line of gear, including antennas, transceivers, coax, antenna wires and countless station accessories.

(Michelle Garrett - Project Manager - Amateur Radio Supplies)

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SWL NEWS: MORE TV WATCHERS OPTING OR FREE OVER THE AIR PROGRMMING

As cable bills rise and the United States economy remains weak, more Americans are watching television using good old fashioned antennas.

According to the research firm GfK Media, nearly 18 percent of all US households with television sets are watching broadcasts delivered for free over the air. This is up from 15 percent of homes last year according to research the firm. Translated into numbers, that means 20.7 million homes, or roughly 54 million consumers, now get channels over the air instead of paying a monthly cable or satellite bill.

According to the study, 6 percent of TV households, or 6.9 million homes, canceled their cable service at some point in the past and now rely on free broadcasts. GfK's report also found that 16 percent of households downgraded TV service in the business year through March, while only 11 percent of TV households said they had increased service.

The report also found that people using Web-connected TV increased to 34 million households, or 29 percent. That's almost double the previous year's 16 percent. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/9z4ffj5

(Published News Reports)

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SWL NEWS: CANADIAN AM STATIONS LEAVING THE AIR

More AM stations are leaving the medium wave AM broadcast band in Canada than are coming on the air, This is according to the trade publication Radio World that says since 2009, some sixteen Canadian AM broadcasters have gone off the air as several have moved to the FM band and companies closed the least profitable stations.

But in this case more seems better from a profit standpoint. According to the research firm Statistics Canada, the moves have allowed AM operating revenues to grow by 1.1% in 2011, to 311 million Canadian dollars.

A quick search of the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission site shows 727 commercial licensed radio stations, not broken down by service. That compares to 4,754 commercial licensed AM and 6,568 FM broadcast entities in the United States according to FCC figures for the most recent quarter. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEW: CHANGES AT CQ AVERTISING DEPARMENT

Some names in the news. CQ Communications has announced the appointments of Charlie Payne, ex- WN2AKC, and Jon Kummer, WA2OJK, to the company's advertising department. Payne and Kummer succeed Chip Margelli, K7JA, who has reportedly resigned to pursue other opportunities in the amateur radio industry.

According to a press release from CQ, the company's parting with K7JA was completely amicable, and Margelli still is ironing out details of his next adventure in the amateur radio industry. Meantime, for those in need of contact information, Charlie Payne may be reached by e-mail at Charlie (at) cqcomm (dot) com. Jon Kummer's e-mail is jon (at) cqcomm (dot) com. (CQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: PETER LAKE ZL2AZ NAMED IARU R3 CHAIRMAN

Peter Lake, ZL2AZ, of Wellington, New Zealand, has been elected as the Chairman of IARU Region 3. He replaces Michael Owen, VK3KI, who passed away unexpectedly last month. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia, had served as Region 3 Chairman since 2006. (IARU-R3)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RADIO AMATEUR FILES SDR PATENT

And Software Defined Radio is coming of age in the world of amateur radio. This with word that Tao Wang, KB3KSR, has filed a patent for a General-purpose software defined radio platform.

The patent disclosure describes Wang's invention as a flexible, compact size, low power consumption, low cost, high performance software defined radio platform. One that can be used in different areas, including industrial applications, amateur radio, and academic research.

In its present form, Wang's unit is a processing platform that packs a complete computer inside a pocket size enclosure. The invention makes use of a graphic user interface and touch screen LCD display for interaction with those who are utilizing it. (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM-JAM 2012 LWRENCEVILLE GA NOVEMBER 10

On the social scene, HamJam 2012 will take place on Saturday, November 10th at the Georgia Gwinnett College Student Center, in Lawrenceville, Georgia. The event is open to all radio amateurs and admission is free. Gerald Youngblood, K5SDR the C-E-O and President of FlexRadio Systems, will speak on the future of amateur radio while Doug Grant, K1DG will do a presentation on Contesting Ethics and the World Radio Team Championships. More information on the web at www.hamjam.info

(SEDXC)

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HAM HPPENINGS: FREE CQ WW UPDATE WEBINAR WITH K5ZD

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation will be sponsoring an open Webinar on Sunday, October 21st at 19:00 UTC titled CQ World Wide Update 2012. Hosted by Randy Thompson, K5ZD, the on-line gathering will provide an update on the status of the contest including new rules for 2012, log entry tips, fair play, and various other topics of interest. Questions will be taken following the presentation. Registration for this free event is on-line at tinyurl.com/cq-ww-webinar. (WWROF)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: SID T. MAY ET3SID/AB3OZ/G4CTQ, SK

The changing of the guard in ham radio continues with word of the passing of Sid T. May, who held the callsigns ET3SID, AB3OZ and G4CTQ. May was the chairman of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society and credited with setting up the first amateur radio club of Ethiopia in 1993. He had also been teaching amateur radio courses to Ethiopian students for more than 15 years and was also a volunteer examiner who administered both U-K and United States amateur exams in Ethiopia. (Southgate)

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INTRUDER REPORT: CHINESE OTH RADAR GAIN HRASSING 40 METERS

The IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that Radio Hargeisa is operating on 7.120 MHz and that Chinese surveillance radar in the amateur radio 40 meter band is now stronger than ever before

According to the report, the pesky Chinese Over the Horizon Radar had left the 40 meter band for few weeks. But now its reported back with a very strong burst system. One that is at least 10 kHz wide and has an almost S9 signal, world-wide. IARU Regions 1 and 3 are reported to be severely affected by it.

More about both of these situations is on-line at tinyurl.com/china-radar-again. (IRUMS)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: DISSOLVABLE BIO-MED ELECTRONICS

Ultra-thin electronics that dissolve inside the body have been devised by scientists in the US and could be used for a range of medical roles.

According to research published in the journal Science the components are made of silicon and magnesium oxide and placed in a protective layer of silk. Once their job has been completed these devices can simply melt away with the speed of melting is controlled by silk.

The technology has already been used to heat a wound to keep it free from infection by bacteria. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/melting-electronics. (BBC)

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WORLDBEAT: UK AUTO MANUFACTURERS NOT SUPPORTING DIGITAL RADIO BROADCASTING

The United Kingdom's government mandated switchover date for digital radio may need to be extended several years. This following a new survey of car manufacturers that reveals at least half are steering clear of the new entertainment technology.

As part of its Digital Britain vision, the UK Department for Culture, Media and Sport named 2015 as the deadline for turning off its ageing but very popular analogue radio network, in favor of one based on digital standards. The move would mean the majority of today's in-car tuners as well as home radio sets would cease to function overnight.

But new findings from Auto Express Magazine suggest the switchover could now be delayed until 2017 or later. This after a survey of 24 mainstream car manufacturers by the publication has revealed that 50 percent do not offer any digital radio units for their model range, even as an optional extra. Also, almost 60 per cent of new vehicles registered this in the U.K. this year came with no option for the installation of a digital radio receiver. (Auto Express, Southgate)

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WORDBEAT: BELEGIUM HAMS ASSIST IN NEW FREE WIFI SYSTM

The Belgian national society the U-B-A reports on the involvement of radio amateurs in getting free WiFi in the city of Geraardsbergen. The UBA says that O6RY and ON3FDS worked with the city officials to bring about the new WiFi service and in the process generated some valuable public relations for the amateur radio in that nation. More about this story is on-line at tinyurl.com/ham-radio-wifi (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: EQUISAT HAM-SAT TO CARRY OPTICAL BEAON

Students at the Brown University are developing an amateur radio satellite called EQUiSat that will carry an interesting optical beacon. The bird will use a Xenon Flash Tube that should be visible to the unaided eye of observers on Earth. A radio beacon is planned to operate in the 435 to 438 MHz range. Launch is hoped for in the 2015 time frame into an orbit of about 300 kilometers. That should give the satellite a life-time of a couple of months.

(EQUiSat, Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BUAA-SAT PLANNED FOTR 2014 LAUNCH

BUAA-SAT is a micro-satellite project developed by the students of Beijing University carries an amateur radio 435 and 145 MHz FM voice transponder. Plans call for it to be launched into a 600 by 800 kilometer Sun Synchronous Orbit in late 2014. Its primary missions are to study the application of components used in the onboard electronic system, to demonstrate the coil-able mast deployment mechanism and to carry out imaging using three CMOS cameras. More is on-line at http://sat.buaa.edu.cn/

(AMSAT-UK)

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ON THE AIR: SAGA INTERNATIONAL BALLOON FESTIVAL

On the air, please listen out for special event callsign 8-J-6-B-A-L to be aired on all bands and modes between through November 5th in celebration of the 2012 Saga International Balloon Fiesta. This is an Asian maximum grade Hot Air Balloon International Festival in Saga City, Japan. More information is on-line at www (dot) sibf (dot) jp slash e. QSL via the JARL bureau.

(Southgate)

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DX

In DX, word that ON4AFU will be on the air from Ko Butang Island October 26th to November 4th as HS0ZJF stroke 9. He will be active on High Frequency bands on CW only. QSL via ON4AFU

7L4DXT and K1GI will be operational from Sint Maarten Island from November 18th to the 24th as PJ7XK and PJ7I respectively. They will be active on 160 through 10 meters on CW, SSB and some Digital modes. QSL PJ7XK via 7L4DXT and PJ7I via JG2BRI

KI5SF reports that he will be operational portable KH6 from about 0100 UTC October 26th to 10:00 UTC October 27th. Listen out for him on 160 through 6 meters except for 60 meters on SSB and CW. QSL to KI5SF.

A group of operators from Switzerland will be active from Aitutaki Island in the Cook Island chain from November 12th to the 30th using the call signs E51C, E51ABS, E51BZD and E51CHX. Listen out for them on 80 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, and PSK. QSL this operation via HB9BXU

JA7HMZ and JA7EPO will be active from Pohnpei Island from November 23rd to the 28 as V63DX and V63EPO. They also plan to operate in CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on November 24th and 25th as V6A. QSL V63DX via JA7HMZ, V63EOP via JA7EPO and V6A via JA7HMZ.

JH1EAQ will be active from Palau in CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest On October 27th and 28th as T88EB. QSL via home call only.

Lastly, looking to the future comes word that G3SWH and G3RTE will be active from Guadalcanal Island in the Solomon Islands from February 18th to the 28th of 2013. The callsign to be used will be H44KW operating on 80 through 10 meters using CW only. QSL via G3SWH direct or via the bureau.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BIG ANTENNA WIN DOWN-UNDER ANGERS NEIGHNORS

And finally this week, a New Zealand ham has won a major tower and antenna victory but his neighbors are far from happy with the city council's decision. This, even before the antenna system is erected. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, Zed-L-2-B-H-F, reports from down-under:

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Pyes Pa, New Zealand residents concerned about the proposed installation of a 20 meter high radio antenna are disappointed that the Tauranga City Council won't fight a legal battle on their behalf.

Residents of Veda Glen have petitioned the city council to appeal an Environment Court decision which allows amateur radio enthusiasts to erect radio masts up to 20 meters or 65 feet high. They say a radio antenna proposed by a neighbor would be an eyesore, create wind noise and devalue their properties.

While Councilors seemed to sympathize with the residents' plight they also said that based on their legal advice, an appeal to the High Court would be pointless. The council had previously tried to restrict private radio masts to a maximum height of 9 meters or about 30 feet. However an appeal to the Environment Court by the Tauranga Emergency Communications Group and the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters saw the maximum height raised to the 20 meter maximum.

Council senior policy planner Campbell Larking told councilors approximately $100,000 New Zealand dollars had been spent fighting the case in the Environment Court, and he estimated an appeal to the High Court would cost another $50,000. Also that a High Court ruling would not be binding and the matter would simply be sent back to the same

Environment Court judge to re-consider.

A resolution proposed by Councilor Murray Guy, which sought to launch an investigation into Environment Court and City Plan processes in order to enhance community consultation did not find enough support and failed.

The bottom line is that the unnamed ham can put up his 65 foot high mast along with the antenna that will sit on top of it. It's unknown when that installation will be completed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand.

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Outside the chambers, the residents said a legal challenge was outside their reach and they were disappointed the council had backed away from fighting the case on their behalf. (bayofplentytimes.co.nz)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, near Houston Texas saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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1994. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 12 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 11:15:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced1722a9004cbdacee2@google.com>
Source record: 1761
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur TV Convention videos

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GdyrzBztTGQ/amateur_tv_convention_videos.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The British Amateur TV Club have made available videos of the presentations given to their recent convention

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432 and Above EME Newsletter

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4klWSo8o4QM/432_and_above_eme_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The October edition of the free amateur radio 432 MHz and Above EME Newsletter is now available for download

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NWRW 2012

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/emp-LwZ0O7g/nwrw_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NWRW 2012 - The National Wildlife Refuge Week combines Amateur Radio communication capabilities with enjoyment of the outdoors to help others learn about the National Wildlife Refuge System

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Guernsey scouts on-the-air for JOTA

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Members of the Guernsey Amateur Radio Society and Guernsey RAYNET group will be setting up a station and participating in the 2012 Jamboree On The Air on the weekend of 20 and 21 October 2012

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Tanzania operation

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C0d2NAluTPE/tanzania_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Keep a listen-out for Noel, 5H3NP who is currently operational from Iringa, Tanzania

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DX News from the ARRL

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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LTE trial in Bendigo ends

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Vr7mTWWyZSI/lte_trial_in_bendigo_ends.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) has advised the WIA that the 700 MHz LTE trial in the Bendigo region has now ended

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Distance-based scoring proposal

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QtYs8-8zvAw/distance_based_scoring_proposal.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A proposal for a change to distance based scoring has been published by Andrew VK1DA and Colin VK5DK

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Arctic probe into solar storm sat-nav disruption

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Scientists in the Arctic have launched an urgent investigation into how solar storms can disrupt sat-nav

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Guadalcanal operation

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Operators Phil G3SWH and Jim G3RTE will be active from Honiara, Guadalcanal (WLOTA 0086), in the Solomon Islands between February 18-28th, 2013

1995. Re: ARRL Honors MFJ "Mighty Fine Junk"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 12:25:16 UTC
From: dave <ricketzz@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <TJednTMTdoSzkeXNnZ2dnUVZ_tOdnZ2d@earthlink.com>
Source record: 1762
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 10/11/2012 01:37 PM, Matt Warner wrote:
> ARRL Recognizes: MFJ's Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, Honored at ARRL Day in the Park
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> Martin F. Jue, K5FLU (left) of MFJ Enterprises accepts the ARRL Special
> Achievement Award from ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B
> (right). ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, holds the
> award.
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> To celebrate 40 years in the Amateur Radio business, MFJ Enterprises
> hosted ARRL Day in the Park in Starkville, Mississippi, October 5-6.
> Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, started MFJ in October 1972 in a Starkville hotel
> room with one product: a CW filter kit that sold for less than $10.
> Today, MFJ consists of six different ham radio companies that
> manufacture more than 2000 products. ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold
> Kramer, WJ1B, and ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX,
> represented the League at MFJ's ARRL Day in the Park. The two-day event
> brought 500 people to Starkville and featured tours of the MFJ
> facilities (including the factory and metal shop), tailgating, forums,
> demonstrations and lunch. Kramer presented Jue with the ARRL Special
> Achievement Award, honoring Jue and MFJ for their four decades of
> service, as well as the company's innovative products, which have
> contributed to the enjoyment and effectiveness of Amateur Radio all
> around the world. Tom Medlin, W5KUB, was at the event and produced a
> video of the speeches and presentations, which can be viewed here.
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> <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/25962423>
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MFJ has made my life bearable. They are the closest thing to Heathkit
available today. I love their warranty; attempting your own repairs
doesn't void it.

1996. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 12 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 16:30:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec518660c9eef4004cbdf32f9@google.com>
Source record: 1763
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Los Angeles Area 2012 Jamboree-on-the-Air

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 03:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364494-Los-Angeles-Area-2012-Jamboree-on-the-Air&goto=newpost

Posted 10-11-2012

The South Bay Amateur Radio Club, W6SBA and the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club, K6PV will assist the Los Angeles Boy Scouts of America Council with Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA). Would you invite all the Daily DX users to give our youth the chance to see and feel Amateur Radio.

Thanks and Aloha

Ray Grace, WA6OWM

On Saturday, October 20th., the Los Angeles Area Council, Boy Scouts of America will be on the air during the annual JOTA event. The following stations will be active, K6B, Battleship USS Iowa, San Pedro, Ca. and W6B, Firestone Scout Camp, Brea, Ca.

Our operating will be from 10am to 4pm local Pacific time on 20m and 40m around the published JOTA frequencies. (1700 to 2300 UTC)

We will be looking to make contacts with other scout groups and or any other hams willing to chat with some of the scouts as they filter through the station.

Thank you,

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iHAB-8 Launcah Announcement

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 02:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364487-iHAB-8-Launcah-Announcement&goto=newpost

The iHAB Team is excited to announce the next launch of the iHAB Project! iHAB-8 is scheduled to launch October 14, 2012 at 16:00Z (11AM CDT). The iHAB Team as well as other High Altitude Balloon fans have had a challenging year trying to

launch balloons due to the global helium shortage. You can read more about the shortage here HERE. We were fortunate to obtain enough helium to complete one launch in 2012, and iHAB-8 is that launch!

The iHAB Team is excited to fly another "FUN" payload. Including a new "micro" 20 Meter QRP CW beacon designed and built by Dave Cripe - NM0S, Hi-Def Video, and time-lapse photography. The CW beacon controller is a new version (not yet available for purchase) of the EZKeyer from 4SQRP. The EZKeyer v2 has expanded memories, AND beacon mode! Please spot signal reports on QRP Spots - http://www.qrpspots.com/

The other exciting mission to this launch, and the reason we are calling is "X" Marks the Spot is because we are going about this launch a bit backwards to what we have done thus far. For an added twist of difficulty, we have preselected our desired LANDING location, and will be calculating out LAUNCH location based on continued calculated predictions right up until we launch. We have chosen the Ottumwa Industrial Airport - KOTM as our "X". This will challenge our Propulsion Team to hit their mark!

Visit http://www.ihabproject.com/iHAB-8/ for updated Flight News, and Launch Information.

=== The launch of iHAB-8 will be webcast LIVE starting at/around 10:30AM CDT, so please plan to visit Mission Control. ===

http://www.ihabproject.com/Tracker/?...sion_id=iHAB-8

You can also follow W0OTM on Twitter!

FlightComm:

KBØVXL - Oskaloosa, IA

145.490 MHz +, 146.2 Hz CTCSS

Echolink Node : NONE

Telemetry & Tracking:

Live! Tracker -> HERE APRS (legacy)

Balloon Telemetry-> HERE

Chase Vehicle Telemetry-> HERE

Both Telemetry-> HERE

Propulsion

600g He

Payload #1:

APRS - WØOTM-11

144.39Mhz

OpenTracker+

Alinco DJ-C7 - VHF/UHF 3ØØ/5ØØmw

2ØM QRP Beacon

1.5 Watts

14.057.85 +/- Mhz

designed/built by Dave Cripe NM0S

"W0OTM iHAB-8 Iowa High Altitude Balloon Project"

AAØZZ EZKeyer (with v2 Chip)

GoPro® HD HERO

1080p HD video

Keep Looking Up!

Marshall Dias - W0OTM

1997. Re: ARRL Honors MFJ "Mighty Fine Junk"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 16:34:18 UTC
From: Matt Warner <Matt@gmail.com-spam>
Message-ID: <k59gqpseu1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1764
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On 10/12/2012 5:25 AM, dave wrote:
> On 10/11/2012 01:37 PM, Matt Warner wrote:
>> ARRL Recognizes: MFJ's Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, Honored at ARRL Day in
>> the Park
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>> Martin F. Jue, K5FLU (left) of MFJ Enterprises accepts the ARRL Special
>> Achievement Award from ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B
>> (right). ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, holds the
>> award.
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>> To celebrate 40 years in the Amateur Radio business, MFJ Enterprises
>> hosted ARRL Day in the Park in Starkville, Mississippi, October 5-6.
>> Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, started MFJ in October 1972 in a Starkville hotel
>> room with one product: a CW filter kit that sold for less than $10.
>> Today, MFJ consists of six different ham radio companies that
>> manufacture more than 2000 products. ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold
>> Kramer, WJ1B, and ARRL Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX,
>> represented the League at MFJ's ARRL Day in the Park. The two-day event
>> brought 500 people to Starkville and featured tours of the MFJ
>> facilities (including the factory and metal shop), tailgating, forums,
>> demonstrations and lunch. Kramer presented Jue with the ARRL Special
>> Achievement Award, honoring Jue and MFJ for their four decades of
>> service, as well as the company's innovative products, which have
>> contributed to the enjoyment and effectiveness of Amateur Radio all
>> around the world. Tom Medlin, W5KUB, was at the event and produced a
>> video of the speeches and presentations, which can be viewed here.
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>> <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/25962423>
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Of course, MFJ lets you repair their junk for free. Look at how much
money they save by having their customers do the work. I have bought 3
items from them, and they all needed to be fixed. Mighty Fine Junk.

1998. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 12 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 17:13:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341269e0a22704cbdfce54@google.com>
Source record: 1765
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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LOG4OM Logging Program release

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 05:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364434-LOG4OM-Logging-Program-release&goto=newpost

A new release of the free LOG4OM logging software will be available for
download on Sunday 14th October to coincide with the LOG4OM presentation at
the RSGB Convention.

This release has many added features particularly aimed at the DX community
and the casual ham.

The new release version 1.11 and the updated user manual will be available
from the LOG4OM web site http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/log4om-en/ at about
12.00 Hrs GMT

Bring your memory stick (A 1gb stick will do because the program is only
17mb) to the RSGB Convention and I will load it with the latest version of
LOG4OM and of course there is no charge for this free software.

The LOG4OM logging program can be also run from a memory stick or SD card
for complete portability, so no need to take that heavy laptop on your
travels just plug into the nearest PC, contact G4POP for details.

Terry G4POP

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LightSquared Won't Give Up !

Posted: 10 Oct 2012 09:27 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364417-LightSquared-Won-t-Give-Up-!&goto=newpost

Apparently the FCC ruling will not stop these folks.

LightSquared, the wireless broadband company whose plans took a blow when
the FCC decided to not allow it access to spectrum adjacent to the
frequencies used for the Global Positioning System, is at it again with a
new proposal.

LightSquared came up with its own proposal on Friday, which involves
sharing 5MHz of spectrum with the federal government in a band partially
used for weather balloons. It also involves abandoning its most
controversial piece of spectrum, the one just below the GPS signals. But
LightSquared still wants to build on the lower 10MHz of its spectrum, even

though the FCC has already rejected it as unsuitable because millions of existing GPS devices can't filter out neighboring signals. To compensate, LightSquared would lower the power levels in this portion of spectrum to 52dBm per sector EIRP, down from the previously planned power level of 62dBm, which was found to interfere with GPS.

Article from PCWorld:

http://www.pcworld.com/article/2010843/lightsquared-asks-to-share-weatherballoon-spectrum-for-its-lte-network.html

1999. Re: ARRL Honors MFJ "Mighty Fine Junk"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 17:18:08 UTC
From: dave <ricketzz@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <492dnVV1tedMzeXNnZ2dnUVZ_oGdnZ2d@earthlink.com>
Source record: 1766
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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I have dozens of MFJ items and they all work as advertised. My 1024
remote wideband antenna stopped working after 15 years in the desert
sun, it may need a fresh FET...

2000. eHam.net News for Friday 12 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 22:06:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc14088392b04cbe3e559@google.com>
Source record: 1767
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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TARS is Always Prepared for Emergencies Situations:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29139

September was National Preparedness Month, the time for reminding the public about preparing for unexpected emergencies. During this time, amateur radio operators participated in activities and projects to demonstrate the part that they play in helping the community when disaster strikes. The Tipton County Radio Society is always prepared to handle emergency communications for the community. TARS participated at the Covington Heritage Festival on Sept. 22. The booth theme this year was "When Disaster Strikes: Who You Gonna Call?" They operated under a mock disaster situation without utilities and demonstrated radio communications and solar oven cooking. Amateur radio -- commonly referred to as ham radio -- helps people communicate with one another by voice, computer and code over vast distances. Most people are unaware of the service that these quiet heroes provide during emergencies. During a disaster, it's possible that normal forms of communication with the outside world may be interrupted. Land-line telephone facilities may become unusable because physical wires or poles are down. Cell phone facilities may be unusable because cell towers are down, cell sites are destroyed or just because too many people are trying to use the system. Even emergency operating centers may be out of commission if their buildings or antennas have been damaged. Communications are a vital part of responding to and recovering from any type of disaster. When other communications failed after Hurricane Katrina, the Joplin tornado and the San Francisco earthquake, ham radio operators helped first responders to coordinate rescue efforts. Amateur radio relies on technology first used more than a century ago. Unlike cell phones or satellite communications, ham radio relies on a specific radio unit's antenna to broadcast to other nearby units on a given frequency. This makes them useful during disasters, even when the cellphone towers are out. As a result of this capability, Amateur radio practitioners are often called upon to provide communications assistance in times of local and national emergency.

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Shakeout Earthquake Drill Set for Oct. 18:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29138

The Disaster Preparedness Task Force and the Amateur Radio Club will participate with over 8 million California residents in the Great California Shakeout Earthquake drill at 10:18 a.m. on Oct. 18. All levels of schools and universities, hospitals and care facilities, large and small businesses plus First Responders will be practicing their disaster plans. PCM's Senior Management will practice the Village Disaster Plan with a tabletop exercise. Disaster Task Force Building Captains and Good Neighbors should activate at 10:18 a.m. by checking on their neighbors, completing injury and damage reports that will provide Report Center Coordinators and Amateur Radio Operators with pertinent information for First Responders when they arrive. Volunteer medical personnel, clerks and golf cart couriers should report to assigned destinations. Report Centers are located at Clubhouses 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6; the Small Golf Course Building; Gate 14 Captains take reports to 4008 Rec Room; and Gate 11 Golf Cart Couriers will pick up or Captains take to Gate 11 Gate House.

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BRS Media Voices Concern Over EBUs Use of ICANN Trademark:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29137

BRS Media, a diverse and growing media e-commerce firm that helps traditional and interactive media companies build and brand on the power of the Internet, sent a letter to ICANNs new CEO Mr. Fadi Chehadé voicing concern over the European Broadcast Union (EBU) usage of ICANN trademark. The EBU and its sister union International Amateur Radio Union (IARU), in association with The American Radio Relay League (ARRL), are using ICANNs trademark logo on its website and blog, with regards to endorsements and information regarding EBUs application for .RADIO. The use of this trademark logo in endorsement blogs and EBUs website may confuse the Radio Industry into inferring ICANN's mark of approval for the EBUs .RADIO Application.The New Top-Level Domain program has taken years to develop rights protection mechanisms to protect IP (Intellectual Property) of organizations worldwide. A copy of the letter is available at: http://www.brsmedia.fm/ICANN_CEO_EBU.pdf (.pdf)

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ARNewsline Report 1835 Oct 12 2012:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29136

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking aimed at changing the Amateur Radio licensing rules and lots more; the R-S-G-B replies to UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom on the future of 143 to 156 MHz; hams in Sweden effectively loose access to the 2300 MHz band and a ham radio operators success in gaining approval for a 65 foot tower leaves neighbors very unhappy. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1835 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #42:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29134

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, W3UR, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29133

This Week in Radiosport:

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FCC Seeks to Change Amateur Radio Licensing Rules:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29132

On October 2, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WT Docket No. 12-121 that seeks to change the Amateur Radio licensing rules, especially as they concern former licensees. Acting upon an April 2011 Petition for Rulemaking filed by the Anchorage VEC to give permanent credit to radio amateurs for examination elements they have successfully passed, the FCC proposes to revise Section 97.505 to require that Volunteer Examiners (VEs) give examination credit to an applicant who can demonstrate that he or she formerly held a particular class of license.

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FCC Agrees with ARRL on Emission Designators, TDMA:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:41 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29131

Part of WT Docket No. 12-121 (see above) included a response to a March 2011 Petition for Rulemaking filed by the ARRL. Through the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the FCC is seeking to amend the Amateur Service rules to allow amateur stations to transmit additional emission types in order to permit Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) in the Amateur Service; however, it denied the League's request for a blanket waiver pending the resolution of the rulemaking proceeding.

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Scouts and Scouters Take to the Airwaves for the 55th Jamboree on the Air:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29130

Each year, more than 500,000 Scouts in more than 100 countries take to the airwaves on the third full weekend in October -- and this year on October 20-21, it will be no different. The Jamboree on the Air

(JOTA) is an annual Scouting and Amateur Radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout Movement where Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from all over the world speak to each other via Amateur Radio.

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IARU Region 2 Executive Committee Meets in Curacao:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29129

The IARU Region 2 Executive Committee met in Curacao September 29-30. Led by Region 2 President Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AM, the meeting was attended by Region 2 Officers and Area Directors; Area B Director and ARRL International Affairs Vice President Jay Bellows, K0QB, represented the United States.

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ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29128

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio.

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Attention Kit Builders -- The ARRL Wants to Hear from You!

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29127

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful, educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more advanced projects.

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MFJ's Martin F. Jue, K5FLU, Honored at ARRL Day in the Park:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29126

To celebrate 40 years in the Amateur Radio business, MFJ Enterprises hosted ARRL Day in the Park in Starkville,
Mississippi, October 5-6.

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ARRL HQ Seeks Applicants for QST Technical Editor:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29125

The League is currently looking to fill the position of QST Technical Editor at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. Connecticut residency or the ability to relocate to Connecticut is required. The QST Technical Editor will provide leadership to the technical Amateur Radio community by developing and promulgating a vision of the state of the Amateur Radio art through the pages of QST.

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The ARRL Offers Five new Books for All:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29124

The ARRL has just released five new books that you are going to want to have in your shack. This fall, two favorites have been re-released and are chock-full of new information:

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iHAB-8 Launch Announcement:

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 12:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29123

The iHAB Team is excited to announce the next launch of the iHAB Project! iHAB-8 is scheduled to launch October 14, 2012 at 16:00Z (11AM CDT). The iHAB Team as well as other High Altitude Balloon fans have had a challenging year trying to launch balloons due to the global helium shortage. You can read more about the shortage. We were fortunate to obtain enough helium to complete one launch in 2012, and iHAB-8 is that launch!

2001. Re: Drag queen seeks to rule Canada's right wing party

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 23:50:39 UTC
From: galnation@gmail.com
Message-ID: <2b38e13c-6ec0-41dd-ba7e-d3ca9ace8a28@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1768

galnation@gmail.com

On Thursday, July 3, 2003 1:53:08 PM UTC-10, Don Souter wrote:
> Reuters) - Toronto's best-known drag queen, famous for six-inch heels, slinky dresses and a failed bid to become the city's mayor, said on Thursday she wanted to join the race to head the right-wing opposition Canadian Alliance party."I am a supermodel for a super party," said Enza 'Supermodel" Anderson. "I don't care what you call me but please put in supermodel."The 37-year-old, who has worked as a singer in Toronto's largely gay Church St. district, launched her campaign at Toronto City Hall wearing a short maroon dress, her signature stilettos, a blond wig and bright red lipstick. Dismissing the Alliance as "racist, supporting bigoted attitudes and an anti-gay stance," she said the party needed to become more diverse to beat the Liberals. "I am the one to do it," said Anderson, who prefers to be called a "she.""As a new leader of the right, I plan to unite the opposition. Let me tell 'ya, there are a lot of sexy MPs (members of parliament) I'd like to unite right now."The Alliance came a poor second to the Liberals in last year's federal election. The party will next year vote in a new leader -- or perhaps reelect outgoing leader Stockwell Day, who quit this week to allow for a leadership race.But Anderson's platform may not match the tough-on-crime Alliance. She wants affordable housing, better public transport and decriminalization of marijuana and prostitution."Why is it that when a drag queen runs for office, people consider it a joke? But if (Stockwell Day) shows up in a wet suit or if the prime minister of Canada shows up in a dinghy, it's considered serious and worthy of national attention," she said, referring to recent media pictures of federalleaders.Anderson, who says her political platform is "much more than my six-inch heels," sashayed into politics last November and won 15,000 votes in the Toronto mayoralty race.That placed her third on a slate of 25 candidates for the job, won -- as expected -- by flamboyant Mel Lastman.Lastman later hit the headlines with ill-timed comments that may have helped scupper Toronto's bid to host the 2008 Olympic Games. He balked at the idea of traveling to Africa to lobby for the bid, admitting he was afraid of being boiled in a pot with natives dancing around him.Anderson said she had nearly collected the C$25,000 and 300 signatures needed to be eligible to run to lead the Alliance.If she doesn't win, she will continue to work odd jobs. But she said she hadstopped doing drag shows now that her political career seems to be blossoming.Day, quoted in the National Post newspaper earlier this month, refused to rule out any candidate for his job."We're a very open party," Day said. "I'm just pleased that we continue to attract people from across the spectrum."

2002. Re: Drag queen seeks to rule Canada's right wing party

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-12 23:52:05 UTC
From: galnation@gmail.com
Message-ID: <b5576c6a-178f-4a10-9ca8-23748f394b32@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1769

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2003. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 12 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-13 02:29:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf305b09281ccac604cbe794fd@google.com>
Source record: 1770
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio enthusiast is parade marshal - Alton Telegraph

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 07:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHQ-tVOD55BDytQwevPylD1XhjRLg&url=http://www.thetelegraph.com/news/local/article_0864d972-1355-11e2-ad7a-0019bb30f31a.html

Ham radio enthusiast is parade marshal
Alton Telegraph
“Thats what we do — maintain flow, you could say,” said Roberts, 72, who has been licensed by the Federal Communications Commission for amateur radio operators, also known as ham operators, since 1955. The Alton Halloween Parade Committee ...

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Melbourne FL Hamfest Oct. 13-14, 2012 - Examiner.com

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 10:58 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHidZLQtES6R2prKnsAYDRzDC3e8w&url=http://www.examiner.com/article/melbourne-fl-hamfest-oct-13-14-2012

Examiner.com
Melbourne FL Hamfest Oct. 13-14, 2012
Examiner.com
The Platinum Coast Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual Hamfest and ARRL State Convention this weekend at the Melbourne Auditorium, 625 E. Hibiscus Blvd., Melbourne, FL. This event is open to the public from 9 AM to 5 PM Saturday, Oct. 13, and ...

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ARNewsline Report 1835 Oct 12 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 12:08 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGz_84oCMA16gfrhPSvkS408dScdg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29136

ARNewsline Report 1835 Oct 12 2012:
eHam.net
Amateur Radio Newslines Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, takes a look at what the regulatory agency sees in ham radios future: Its not a done deal by any stretch, but the FCC has put a few proposals out there for public comment and its interested in hearing ...

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KCTV5Amateur radio operators practice earthquake drills - KCTV Kansas City

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 01:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE_9-07cYLKm9jjdCF5fW3-RgXgRw&url=http://www.kctv5.com/story/19753981/amateur-radio-operators-practice-earthquake-drills

KCTV5Amateur radio operators practice earthquake drills
KCTV Kansas City
The extra people and the damage from an earthquake that strong would no doubt take a big chunk of communication away, which is where amateur ham radio operators come in. The Red Cross would rely on the radio operators for communication between ...

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Mike Herr hits the amateur airwaves - Gridley Herald

Posted: 06 Oct 2012 06:53 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEOUw2RZ5TgVSlC70u8EnofBOC1FQ&url=http://www.gridleyherald.com/article/20121006/NEWS/121009802/-1/googlenewssitemap

Mike Herr hits the amateur airwaves
Gridley Herald
Amateur radio operators (or ham operators as a term of affection) operate radios as a means of communication on radio frequencies separate from commercial and citizen bandwidths with consent from the Federal Communication Commission. Email; Share ...

2004. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 13 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-13 11:12:59 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303f6284c0fee404cbeee283@google.com>
Source record: 1771
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ISS contact Monday, October 8, 2012 at St George's International School, Luxembourg

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZNYfVqz1Pig/ariss_event_success_0810.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

St George's had the pleasure of speaking with the astronaut Sunita Williams on Monday afternoon

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Two Entities DXpedition - Solomon 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/T3aM8724GgQ/two_entities_dxpedition_solomon_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sigi, DL7DF, will once again lead a group of amateur radio operators on a 2013 DXpedition which is being called a 'Two Entities DXpedition - Solomon 2013'

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RSGB-Ofcom Forum meeting 10 October 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P3WLQK__PIA/rsgb_ofcom_forum_meeting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A report of the meeting between Ofcom and the RSGB, which took place on October 10, 2012 is now available

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v4ek3eFBw5g/041_october_13.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Another decline in sunspot activity this week, but based on activity over the past few days and projected solar flux values it is making a steady recovery

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Guantanamo Bay operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fEQJtF_zIHQ/guantanamo_bay.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A couple of amateur radio operators are expected to be active from
Guantanamo Bay (NA-015) during the month of October

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Italian DXpedition Team in Chad

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tmVrRLyUPDo/chad.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the 'Italian DXpedition Team' are now active as TT8TT from
N'Djamena until October 16th

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French Polynesian Islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EAULjgAGf64/french_polynesia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Didier, F6BCW, is now active as TX5EG from Huahine Island (OC-067) until
October 15th. He will activate other various French Polynesian Islands
between now and November 8th

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Antarctica - Bharati Base

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qAlDDpjz7rk/antarctica.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bhagwati Prasad is still active as VU3BPZ/P from the new Indian
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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 14 October 2012

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You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

FOUR CUBESATS DEPLOYED FROM ISS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

IS YOUR CLUB AFFILIATED TO THE SARL?

Recently the SARL invited clubs to affiliate with the South Africa Radio League free of charge. The following clubs have:

Highway Amateur Radio Club - ZS5HAM, Boland Amateurradioklub - ZS1BAK, Midlands Amateur Radio Club - ZS5PMB, Cape Town Amateur Radio Centre - ZS1CT, Border Radio Club - ZS2BRC, Bloemfontein Amateurradioklub - ZS4BFN, Durban Amateur Radio Club - ZS5D, East Rand Amateur Radio Club - ZS6ERB, Kempton Park Amateur Radio Technical Society - ZS6KTS, Pretoria Amateur Radio Club - ZS6PTA, Rustenburg Amateur Radio Club - ZS6RTB.

Affiliation to the SARL offers clubs the privilege of setting up an examination centre, inclusion of news of their activities and events in SARL News and on the SARL website as well as a link from the Club Talk page and access to audio clips form use in club on the air activities.

To visit an affiliated club website visit www.sarl.org.za and click on Club Talk and follow the link.

To join the eleven clubs already affiliated, send an email to secretary@sarl.org.za and an affiliation form will be sent to you.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

The Honorary Treasurer reports that the membership renewals are currently being processed. Once this is finished, the database of members will be rolled over to 2012/2013. The cut-off date has been set for 30 October 2012. To keep your years of well-earned uninterrupted membership status, contact the office to make the arrangement. A useful option for members and new members wishing to join the SARL, but not able to make a once off payment, is to arrange down payment of membership fees in terms of two, four or six payments between June and February of the next year in order to be eligible to vote at the AGM in April. This arrangement must be made with the office in order to indicate your choice on your record otherwise you may not be a member by the time of the AGM. Join the SARL and protect your hobby against the continuous risk of losing our frequency bandwidth. Full details are on www.sarl.org.za and send your confirmations to admin@sarl.org.za.

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AMATEUR RADIO TODAY CHANGES FREQUENCIES ON 28 OCTOBER

>From Sunday 28 October Amateur Radio Today will be transmitted on new frequencies.

Sundays 10:00 CAT on 7 205 kHz and 17 760 kHz; Mondays 18:30 CAT on 4 895 kHz.

Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 18:30 UTC as the

frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send rapports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

OCTOBER 2012 RAE

In total 169 candidates have enrolled to write the October 2012 RAE. The SARL would like to wish all candidates good luck on Thursday evening while they write the examination.

The normal turnaround time for releasing results after the examination is three weeks and we would request that you exercise patience while the papers are marked and the results collated.

CQ HOU KOERS AND JOTA OPERATION SCOUTS AND VOORTREKKERS

ICASA has agreed, on request from the SARL, that unlicensed youth participating in JOTA and CQ Hou Koers may operate amateur radio stations under the supervision of licensed radio amateurs without the need to register as an educational station.

These two events are ideal opportunities to demonstrate amateur radio to the youth by giving them hands-on operating experience. Show them how to call CQ, and handle a QSO on their own while being guided by a licensed amateur.

This blanket permission will only be valid during the two days, 20 and 21 October 2012. At any other time amateurs must register as an educational station if they are planning to do on the air training and to allow non-amateurs to operate during special events.

The SARL thanks ICASA for their support in making CQ Hou Koers and JOTA a memorable experience for our young people.

NEW BOOKS AND A QRP CW KIT FROM SAARDT

The South African Amateur Radio Development Trust has two new books available: ARRL's Low Power Communication and Short Antennas for 160 Metre Radio. A small number of 40 Metre CW QRP kits are also available as well as the ARRL Antenna Book and a small number of the 2012 ARRL Hard cover handbook. Get more details from www.amateurradio.org.za.

RTA 2013

Preparations for the 2013 Radio Technology in Action Symposium are already in progress. Do you have a subject that you would like to see on the programme? Send an email to rta@sarl.org.za with your suggestions.

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEWS TEAM

The SARL News Team still needs volunteers for compiling and translating the SARL bulletins. Bulletin compilers will be SARL members, bilingual, with some rudimentary computer and editing skills and will have an

e-mail address.

If you might have the necessary skills and be willing to try your hand at this, please send your name and contact details to Fritz, ZS6SF, with email address secretary@sarl.org.za immediately. Without enough volunteers, it will not be possible to keep the Afrikaans bulletin going.

COMPETITION NEWS

The ZS6JVT Youth Sprint took place on 2 September. The judges provided additional time for any late logs. Two logs were received and there were one control log from ZS6JVT itself.

The are as follows: 1st Mitchell Mynhart, ZS6YH 2nd ZS4SRK, Sasol Radio Amateur Club.

Many thanks to the two stations who took the trouble to send in logs as well as the stations dished out points to them.

In view of the poor support the committee has decided to cancel the competition for next year.

CLUB NEWS

The AGM of the Magalies Amateur Radio Club took place on 29 September at which the following members were elected to its committee:

Thys Maree, ZS6MJM Chairman Brian Jacobs, ZS6YZ Vice Chairman Anette Jacobs, ZR6D Secretary Louis Mitchell, ZS6LWM Treasurer Sam van Zyl,ZS6JZ Technical Hannes Enslin, ZS6JDE Digital Marco Nel, ZS6MJ Teenspanning Gordon Forbes, ZS6FI Social Johann du Plessis, ZS6PSS Bulletin Coordinator Johann du Plessis, ZS6PSS Youth Coordinator Pieter Human, ZS6PA Competition Manager Chris Smit, ZS6FCS Public Relations

At the AGM of the Bloemfontein Radio Amateur Club, held on Saturday 29 September, the motion to change the name to the Bloemfontein Amateur Radio Club was approved. The following members were elected to serve on the new committee:

Chairman: Warren Riley, ZS4W Vice Chairman: Brendon Muller, ZS4BM Secretary: Jenni Riley, ZS4J Treasurer: Frans Marais, ZS4FM Members: Andre van Rensburg, ZS4APA, and Dennis Green, ZS4BS.

HF PROPAGATION CONDITIONS

Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, reports that the space weather outlook for the next few days is unsettled. A major C-class flare has been detected. The background X-ray flux is at the upper B-class levels. Geomagnetic conditions are unsettled. Local HF frequencies are unstable but expected to be close to the monthly average predicted values.

A solar wind stream flowing from a geo-effective coronal hole is expected to reach earth today or tomorrow. The magnetic configuration of region 1 585 is growing in complexity and has further potential for

flare activity. The current sunspot number is 63.

15 Meters should be providing good DX conditions during mid morning and afternoon with 20 metres looking good later in the day. There will be some 10 metre openings. Give a call on 10 metres and you may be surprised. Share your DX experience this week-end by sending an email to artoday@sarl.org.za.

For up-to-date space weather information visit www.spaceweather.co.za

DIARY OF EVENTS

20 October -Jamboree-on-the-air and CQ Hou Koers.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League, with translations by Fritz Sutherland, ZS6SF, and compiled George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1835 ☐ October 12 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1835 with a release date of October 12 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking aimed at changing the Amateur Radio licensing rules and lots more; the R-S-G-B replies to UK telecommunications regulator Ofcom on the future of 143 to 156 MHz; hams in Sweden effectively loose access to the 2300 MHz band and a ham radio operators success in gaining approval for a 65 foot tower leaves neighbors very unhappy. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1835 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: FCC PROPOSES MULTIPLE CHANGES INN THE PART 97 AMATEUR SERVICE RULES

The FCC has put forth a series of suggested Part 97 rules changes which when taken as a whole literally redefine many aspects of the United States Amateur Radio Service. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, takes a look at what the regulatory agency sees in ham radio☐s future:

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It's not a done deal by any stretch, but the FCC has put a few proposals out there for public comment and it's interested in hearing from you.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making or NPRM can be divided into a few basic categories - exam credit for expired licenses and grace periods for expired licenses, a change in the number of volunteer examiners needed for a valid testing session, and emissions and experimentation by amateurs.

Rich Moseson, W2VU, is editor of CQ Magazine, and Amateur Radio Newsline called upon him for his take on the proposals.

Let's begin with one that could have the biggest impact, the proposal to give examination credits for anyone who held a license that expired, thereby eliminating the need for re-testing for someone who has an expired license.

Moseson says he wholeheartedly endorses the idea of being able to recover a license a ham once held. He says right now, the current FCC rules are scattered on this....

"If you held a particular type of license at a particular time then there's no limit on being able to get it back without re-testing," Moseson explains. "But if you held a higher class license or a lower class license or the same license at a different time and it's expired and beyond the grace period, then you can't get it back without re-testing.

"So, the current rules make no sense."

Moseson says he's uncertain how many hams are out there who let their licenses lapse years ago, but he suggests the FCC recognizes they should be allowed to get back in without putting an undue burden on them.

Controversial? Maybe, for some. But Moseson says he believes it's a win-win for the hobby...

"I don't think that we've been greatly damaged from having the ability to re-gain licenses once held without additional testing on the license classes that are permitted," Moseson says. "And, I don't think there will be any great hazard to the hobby. In fact, I think there will be benefit to the hobby of letting people whose licenses have expired return if their interest has returned as well."

If that doesn't quite sit well with you, Moseson suggests considering this:

"There's really very little difference between this and what goes on if you maintain your license," Moseson says. "There are no activity requirements. So, as long as you renew your license every 10 years now, you can be licensed continually without taking a test even if you haven't been on the air in 30 years.

"And, if you want to come back on the air - as long as you've maintained your license - then you just turn on the radio. Well, if you've let your license lapse, there's really not much difference.

"So, if you've passed the test for a license, if you've held that license before, and you want to get back into ham radio, let's welcome you back with open arms and not make you have to take your test again when other people don't have to take that test again."

Now, on to the proposal to have only two volunteer examiners at a testing session.

Moseson says he feels a little uncomfortable with that idea, although the FCC suggests it will open up more exam opportunities and make it easier for people to get a ham license....

"I think that a minimum of three people is important at first glance," Moseson says. "I would be open to looking at the comments from other people. But from my personal experience, I think it's good to have a minimum of three people because it just reduces the possibility of any kind of shenanigans to a much lower level.

"And, that was the reason for putting in the three-examiner requirement to begin with and I think that's still valid."

There's also the idea of remote testing sessions - that is using the technology for VEs to observe an exam session. The FCC's rationale is colleges and businesses use teleconferencing and maybe it's time to explore that option. Moseson says timing might be right...

"Yes, the technology needs to be acknowledged," Moseson say. "I don't think we should necessarily just jump right into it. I would suggest a pilot program first to see how well it works out and then take it from there."

Moseson says he's encouraged by the proposal looking at the modes for amateur radio transmissions. He says there are too many restrictions and limitations on hams which can stifle rather than encourage experimentation.

He says the FCC is wise to look at the issue, especially considering the area of TDMA or Time Division Multiple Access technology for amateur radio.

"I think that the more that we can do with them as hams, in addition to what the commercial world is doing, the better off we'll all be because that competition is a fact of life," Moseson says. "You know, you look at our microwave bands which are really where a lot of the future is going to be - 2.4 Ghz, 5.8 Ghz - these bands are already shared.

"And if we can make better use of that sharing so that we can do what we want to do without bothering the other people and without having them bother us then that's great we can all get by very well."

Moseson says he still hasn't had a chance to go through the entire NPRM. He intends to study it and encourages hams to take the initiative and digest it before commenting...

"Well, I would encourage people to download the NPRM from the FCC website and read the whole thing, particularly before sending in comments to the FCC on it," Moseson says. "I've seen too many people in other situations send in comments on an NPRM based on a summary and they haven't read the whole thing and they come off looking uninformed."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V in Philadelphia.

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WT Docket No. 12-121 is expected to draw a lot of discussion in ham radio circles and we will have more on it in upcoming Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (FCC)

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RESTRUCTURING: RSGB, BATC AND AMSAT-UK REPLY TO OFCOM ON HF SPECTRUM

Meantime, across the Atlantic, the Radio Society of Great Britain in concert with the British Amateur Television Club and AMSAT-UK, has submitted a response to telecommunications regulastor Ofcom□s Consultation or Notice of Inquiry on the future use of VHF spectrum from 143 to 156 MHz. This being the bandspace that was formally used by the British Home Office.

According to the RSGB, the unique nature of this spectrum, and the fact that it surrounds the existing 2 meter amateur radio band, suggested a creative response. One the R-S-G-B stated that would need to be competitive with the likely responses from Business Radio users. No details of the actual text of the response are known as we go to air.

(RSGB)

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RESTRUCTURING: SWEDEN HAM COMMUNITY LOOSES 2300 MHZ BAND

Swedish radio amateurs have basically lost the 2300 MHz band although they have gained some spectrum at 1.8 MHz.

The Swedish Amateur Radio Society, the S-S-A, reports the loss of the 2300 MHz band with effect from October 1st. And while 2400 to 2450 MHz is still allocated for amateur radio operation the power there is limited to just 100 milliwatts at the antenna.

However there is good news down lower in frequency. Sweden used to have "Top Band" allocations of 1810 to 1850 kHz at max 1 kW and 1930 to 2000 kHz with a maximum of 10 Watts out. As of October 1st this changed to 1810 to 1850 kHz at 1 kW and 1850 to 2000 kHz with a maximum of 10 watts. Power output is measured at the antenna.

(SSA)

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(AMSAT, GB2RS)

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BREAK 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W-Zero-B-Zed-N repeater of the Newton Amateur Radio Club serving Newton, Kansas.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC REFUSES TO RECONSIDER $10000 NAL

The operator of an unlicensed radio station in Florida will have to pay a $10,000 fine. This after the FCC turns down his petition for reconsideration where he failed to prove he could not afford to pay. We have more in this report:

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The FCC has refused to reconsider a $10,000 fine issued to Neal Davis of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In its September 28th release the regulatory agency stated that Davis appeal of the forfeiture order did not meet the criteria set out by the agency in regard to providing proof that such a fine would prove to be a financial hardship.

In his Petition, Davis did not deny that he operated an unlicensed radio station and therefore violated Section 301 of the Communications Act. Rather, he urged the cancellation of the forfeiture based on an inability to pay claim. Specifically he asserted that he is currently unemployed and has no income but Davis did not provide any financial or other form of documentation to corroborate his asserted financial status.

In the absence of any supporting financial or other reliable documentation, the FCC says it has no basis by which to evaluate Davis□s inability to pay claim and are constrained by the limited record before it. As such the FCC has denied the Petition and affirmed the Forfeiture Order.

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Davis was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine. If he fails to do so the matter could be turned over to the Department of Justice for further action. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: WIRELESS CAMERA IN PALM TREE INTERFERES WITH FAA RADAR

The FCC has issued a Notice of Violation to the Redondo Beach Marina in Redondo Beach, California. This, for operating an unlicensed wireless video surveillance camera that was found to be causing interference to an FAA Radar system.

After receiving a complaint from the Federal Aviation Administration concerning interference to their 1240 to 1300 MHz band radar in San Pedro, California the Los Angeles FCC Office dispatched agents to investigate the matter. The agents used direction finding to locate a radio signal on 1282 MHz emanating from a wireless camera mounted on a Palm tree in the parking lot of Redondo Beach Marina. When AC power to the camera was disconnected, the interference ceased.

Based on this finding, a cease and desist notice was issued telling the Marina that use of the wireless camera must stop immediately. And in its September 20th letter to the Redondo Beach Marina it was warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws and could subject the operator of this illegal operation to severe penalties. (FCC)

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HELPING YOUTH: AMATEUR RADIO SUPPLIES ANNOUNCES YOUTH GIVEAWAY

Amateur Radio Supplies of Haverhill, Massachusetts, has announced a new biannual giveaway. This to promote youth in amateur radio DXing and contesting.

Beginning January 1st of 2013, the company says that it will give a complete high frequency station to the selected applicant. The gear to be presented will include Alinco DX-SR8T/E 160 through 6 meter all mode transceiver with a 30 amp power supply, an L-D-G antenna tuner, a choice of an all band G5RV or HyGain DX-77A Vertical plus just about all the accessories to put it all on the air.

Applicants from any country under the age of 21 are invited to provide brief answers to the following three questions. These are how often are you able to operate on the HF bands? Where do you typically operate from and how do you intend to use the equipment provided in the give-away.

Send your answers along with your name, callsign, and license class using the form at www.amateurradiosupplies.com/youth-s/222.htm. Nominations will also be accepted.

For more information please e-mail Randy Rowe at randy (at) amateurradiosupplies (dot) com. Amateur Radio Supplies is a new company that provides a full line of gear, including antennas, transceivers, coax, antenna wires and countless station accessories.

(Michelle Garrett - Project Manager - Amateur Radio Supplies)

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SWL NEWS: MORE TV WATCHERS OPTING OR FREE OVER THE AIR PROGRMMING

As cable bills rise and the United States economy remains weak, more Americans are watching television using good old fashioned antennas.

According to the research firm GfK Media, nearly 18 percent of all US households with television sets are watching broadcasts delivered for free over the air. This is up from 15 percent of homes last year according to research the firm. Translated into numbers, that means 20.7 million homes, or roughly 54 million consumers, now get channels over the air instead of paying a monthly cable or satellite bill.

According to the study, 6 percent of TV households, or 6.9 million homes, canceled their cable service at some point in the past and now rely on free broadcasts. GfK□s report also found that 16 percent of households downgraded TV service in the business year through March, while only 11 percent of TV households said they had increased service.

The report also found that people using Web-connected TV increased to 34 million households, or 29 percent. That□s almost double the previous year□s 16 percent. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/9z4ffj5

(Published News Reports)

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SWL NEWS: CANADIAN AM STATIONS LEAVING THE AIR

More AM stations are leaving the medium wave AM broadcast band in Canada than are coming on the air, This is according to the trade publication Radio World that says since 2009, some sixteen Canadian AM broadcasters have gone off the air as several have moved to the FM band and companies closed the least profitable stations.

But in this case more seems better from a profit standpoint. According to the research firm Statistics Canada, the moves have allowed AM operating revenues to grow by 1.1% in 2011, to 311 million Canadian dollars.

A quick search of the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission site shows 727 commercial licensed radio stations, not broken down by service. That compares to 4,754 commercial licensed AM and 6,568 FM broadcast entities in the United States according to FCC figures for the most recent quarter. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEW: CHANGES AT CQ AVERTISING DEPARMENT

Some names in the news. CQ Communications has announced the appointments of Charlie Payne, ex- WN2AKC, and Jon Kummer, WA2OJK, to the company's advertising department. Payne and Kummer succeed Chip Margelli, K7JA, who has reportedly resigned to pursue other opportunities in the amateur radio industry.

According to a press release from CQ, the company□s parting with K7JA was completely amicable, and Margelli still is ironing out details of his next adventure in the amateur radio industry. Meantime, for those in need of contact information, Charlie Payne may be reached by e-mail at Charlie (at) cqcomm (dot) com. Jon Kummer□s e-mail is jon (at) cqcomm (dot) com. (CQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: PETER LAKEZL2AZ NAMED IARU R3 CHAIRMAN

PeterLake, ZL2AZ, of Wellington, New Zealand, has been elected as the Chairman of IARU Region 3. He replaces Michael Owen, VK3KI, who passed away unexpectedly last month. Owen, who was also President of the Wireless Institute of Australia, had served as Region 3 Chairman since 2006. (IARU-R3)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RADIO AMATEUR FILES SDR PATENT

And Software Defined Radio is coming of age in the world of amateur radio. This with word that Tao Wang, KB3KSR, has filed a patent for a General-purpose software defined radio platform.

The patent disclosure describes Wang□s invention as a flexible, compact size, low power consumption, low cost, high performance software defined radio platform. One that can be used in different areas, including industrial applications, amateur radio, and academic research.

In its present form, Wang□s unit is a processing platform that packs a complete computer inside a pocket size enclosure. The invention makes use of a graphic user interface and touch screen LCD display for interaction with those who are utilizing it. (Southgate)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM-JAM 2012 LWRENCEVILLE GA NOVEMBER 10

On the social scene, HamJam 2012 will take place on Saturday, November 10th at the GeorgiaGwinnettCollegeStudentCenter, in Lawrenceville, Georgia. The event is open to all radio amateurs and admission is free. Gerald Youngblood, K5SDR the C-E-O and President of FlexRadio Systems, will speak on the future of amateur radio while Doug Grant, K1DG will do a presentation on Contesting Ethics and the World Radio Team Championships. More information on the web at www.hamjam.info

(SEDXC)

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HAM HPPENINGS: FREE CQ WW UPDATE WEBINAR WITH K5ZD

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation will be sponsoring an open Webinar on Sunday, October 21st at 19:00 UTC titled CQ World Wide Update 2012. Hosted by Randy Thompson, K5ZD, the on-line gathering will provide an update on the status of the contest including new rules for 2012, log

entry tips, fair play, and various other topics of interest. Questions will be taken following the presentation. Registration for this free event is on-line at tinyurl.com/cq-ww-webinar. (WWROF)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today□s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: SID T. MAY ET3SID/AB3OZ/G4CTQ, SK

The changing of the guard in ham radio continues with word of the passing of Sid T. May, who held the callsigns ET3SID, AB3OZ and G4CTQ. May was the chairman of the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Society and credited with setting up the first amateur radio club of Ethiopia in 1993. He had also been teaching amateur radio courses to Ethiopian students for more than 15 years and was also a volunteer examiner who administered both U-K and United States amateur exams in Ethiopia.

(Southgate)

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INTRUDER REPORT: CHINESE OTH RADAR GAIN HRASSING 40 METERS

The IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that Radio Hargeisa is operating on 7.120 MHz and that Chinese surveillance radar in the amateur radio 40 meter band is now stronger than ever before

According to the report, the pesky Chinese Over the Horizon Radar had left the 40 meter band for few weeks. But now its reported back with a very strong burst system. One that is at least 10 kHz wide and has an almost S9 signal, world-wide. IARU Regions 1 and 3 are reported to be severely affected by it.

More about both of these situations is on-line at tinyurl.com/china-radar-again. (IRUMS)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: DISSOLVABLE BIO-MED ELECTRONICS

Ultra-thin electronics that dissolve inside the body have been devised by scientists in the US and could be used for a range of medical roles.

According to research published in the journal Science the components are made of silicon and magnesium oxide and placed in a protective layer of

silk. Once their job has been completed these devices can simply melt away with the speed of melting is controlled by silk.

The technology has already been used to heat a wound to keep it free from infection by bacteria. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/melting-electronics. (BBC)

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WORLDBEAT: UK AUTO MANUFACTURERS NOT SUPPORTING DIGITAL RADIO BROADCASTING

The United Kingdom□s government mandated switchover date for digital radio may need to be extended several years. This following a new survey of car manufacturers that reveals at least half are steering clear of the new entertainment technology.

As part of its Digital Britain vision, the UK Department for Culture, Media and Sport named 2015 as the deadline for turning off its ageing but very popular analogue radio network, in favor of one based on digital standards. The move would mean the majority of today□s in-car tuners as well as home radio sets would cease to function overnight.

But new findings from Auto Express Magazine suggest the switchover could now be delayed until 2017 or later. This after a survey of 24 mainstream car manufacturers by the publication has revealed that 50 percent do not offer any digital radio units for their model range, even as an optional extra. Also, almost 60 per cent of new vehicles registered this in the U.K. this year came with no option for the installation of a digital radio receiver. (Auto Express, Southgate)

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WORDBEAT: BELEGIUM HAMS ASSIST IN NEW FREE WIFI SYSTM

The Belgian national society the U-B-A reports on the involvement of radio amateurs in getting free WiFi in the city of Geraardsbergen. The UBA says that O6RY and ON3FDS worked with the city officials to bring about the new WiFi service and in the process generated some valuable public relations for the amateur radio in that nation. More about this story is on-line at tinyurl.com/ham-radio-wifi

(Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: EQUISAT HAM-SAT TO CARRY OPTICAL BEAON

Students at the BrownUniversity are developing an amateur radio satellite called EQUiSat that will carry an interesting optical beacon. The bird will use a Xenon Flash Tube that should be visible to the unaided eye of observers on Earth. A radio beacon is planned to operate in the 435 to 438 MHz range. Launch is hoped for in the 2015 time frame into an orbit of about 300 kilometers. That should give the satellite a life-time of a

couple of months.

(EQUiSat, Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BUAA-SAT PLANNED FOTR 2014 LAUNCH

BUAA-SAT is a micro-satellite project developed by the students of BeijingUniversity carries an amateur radio 435 and 145 MHz FM voice transponder. Plans call for it to be launched into a 600 by 800 kilometer Sun Synchronous Orbit in late 2014. Its primary missions are to study the application of components used in the onboard electronic system, to demonstrate the coil-able mast deployment mechanism and to carry out imaging using three CMOS cameras. More is on-line at http://sat.buaa.edu.cn/

(AMSAT-UK)

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ON THE AIR: SAGA INTERNATIONAL BALLOON FESTIVAL

On the air, please listen out for special event callsign 8-J-6-B-A-L to be aired on all bands and modes between through November 5th in celebration of the 2012 Saga International Balloon Fiesta. This is an Asian maximum grade Hot Air Balloon International Festival in Saga City, Japan. More information is on-line at www (dot) sibf (dot) jp slash e. QSL via the JARL bureau.

(Southgate)

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DX

In DX, word that ON4AFU will be on the air from Ko Butang Island October 26th to November 4th as HS0ZJF stroke 9. He will be active on High Frequency bands on CW only. QSL via ON4AFU

7L4DXT and K1GI will be operational from SintMaartenIsland from November 18th to the 24th as PJ7XK and PJ7I respectively. They will be active on 160 through 10 meters on CW, SSB and some Digital modes. QSL PJ7XK via 7L4DXT and PJ7I via JG2BRI

KI5SF reports that he will be operational portable KH6 from about 0100 UTC October 26th to 10:00 UTC October 27th. Listen out for him on 160 through 6 meters except for 60 meters on SSB and CW. QSL to KI5SF.

A group of operators from Switzerland will be active from Aitutaki Island in the Cook Island chain from November 12th to the 30th using the call signs E51C, E51ABS, E51BZD and E51CHX. Listen out for them on 80 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, and PSK. QSL this operation via HB9BXU

JA7HMZ and JA7EPO will be active from PohnpeiIsland from November 23rd to the 28 as V63DX and V63EPO. They also plan to operate in CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on November 24th and 25th as V6A. QSL V63DX via JA7HMZ, V63EOP via JA7EPO and V6A via JA7HMZ.

JH1EAQ will be active from Palau in CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest On October 27th and 28th as T88EB. QSL via home call only.

Lastly, looking to the future comes word that G3SWH and G3RTE will be active from GuadalcanalIsland in the Solomon Islands from February 18th to the 28th of 2013. The callsign to be used will be H44KW operating on 80 through 10 meters using CW only. QSL via G3SWH direct or via the bureau.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BIG ANTENNA WIN DOWN-UNDER ANGERS NEIGHNORS

And finally this week, a New Zealand ham has won a major tower and antenna victory but his neighbors are far from happy with the city council□s decision. This, even before the antenna system is erected. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Jim Meachen, Zed-L-2-B-H-F, reports from down-under:

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PyesPa, New Zealand residents concerned about the proposed installation of a 20 meter high radio antenna are disappointed that the Tauranga City Council won't fight a legal battle on their behalf.

Residents of Veda Glen have petitioned the city council to appeal an Environment Court decision which allows amateur radio enthusiasts to erect radio masts up to 20 meters or 65 feet high. They say a radio antenna proposed by a neighbor would be an eyesore, create wind noise and devalue their properties.

While Councilors seemed to sympathize with the residents' plight they also said that based on their legal advice, an appeal to the High Court would be pointless. The council had previously tried to restrict private radio masts to a maximum height of 9 meters or about 30 feet. However an appeal to the Environment Court by the Tauranga Emergency Communications Group and the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters saw the maximum height raised to the 20 meter maximum.

Council senior policy planner Campbell Larking told councilors approximately $100,000 New Zealand dollars had been spent fighting the case in the Environment Court, and he estimated an appeal to the High Court would cost another $50,000. Also that a High Court ruling would not be binding and the matter would simply be sent back to the same Environment Court judge to re-consider.

A resolution proposed by Councilor Murray Guy, which sought to launch an investigation into Environment Court and City Plan processes in order to enhance community consultation did not find enough support and failed.

The bottom line is that the unnamed ham can put up his 65 foot high mast along with the antenna that will sit on top of it. It□s unknown when that installation will be completed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand.

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Outside the chambers, the residents said a legal challenge was outside their reach and they were disappointed the council had backed away from fighting the case on their behalf. (bayofplentytimes.co.nz)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline□. Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's□ only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline□, 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors□ desk, I□m Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, near HoustonTexas saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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2007. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 13 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-13 17:21:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec519690d7b09fa04cbf40906@google.com>
Source record: 1774
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Jamboree on The Air 2012.

Posted: 13 Oct 2012 09:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364663-Jamboree-on-The-Air-2012&goto=newpost

GB2JAM is the JOTA station of the Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club and run annually on behalf of a number of Scout Groups in Birkenhead and Wirral area.

The Callsign was applied for in 1979 and been used every year since by the Wirral & District ARC. The photo is of our Irby Cricket Club HQ with the Tower to the left of the pavilion and the mast of dipoles to the right. An extensive outfield with no domestic property for some distance assures us of a low noise floor and the opportunity to erect some full size antennas.

Whereas in the past we have been at our ICC Club HQ this year we are at The Scout Headquaters at McAllester Field.

You can read our activity reports on our Club website:- www.wadarc.com by clicking on GB2JAM on the left hand side menu.

QSL Cards always appreciated either direct or by the buro.

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U of A Amateur Radio Club Special Event Station this week-end

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 03:47 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364602-U-of-A-Amateur-Radio-Club-Special-Event-Station-this-week-end&goto=newpost

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the founding of the University of Alabama Amateur Radio Club (W4UAL), and to celebrate, the UARC will have a special event station on the air this weekend. The UARC Ham Homecoming Celebration will be operating all day Saturday from outside on The University of Alabama Quadrangle from 7:15 AM to dusk and then again Sunday morning from the club station at Paty Hall. Operating frequencies targeted will be 28.400, 21.300, 3.885, and 7.205, with operation on CW as requested. We□re planning on some AM operation down on 3.885 on Saturday morning and late afternoon. There will be a commemorative QSL available, and details are available on page 91 of the October QST. QSL to the club station W4UAL. We are hosting several of the original 1962 charter members down in Tuscaloosa, and we welcome former members and alumni to come join

us in the fun, either in person or on the air. Please pass the word on to all your ham friends and Alabama alumni, and we□d appreciate any spots while we□re on the air. For more details, email Mike Fanning, K4GU at mfanning@hiwaay.net. Hope to CU on the air this weekend!

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8Q7AU Maayafushi Island

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 01:57 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364589-8Q7AU-Maayafushi-Island&goto=newpost

HB9OAU will be active from Maayafushi island , Maldive Islands 26 November - 11 December 2012 as 8Q7AU

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ldive-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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Jamboree on the Air in Niagara Falls/Upstate New York Area

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 11:14 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364573-Jamboree-on-the-Air-in-Niagara-Falls-Upstate-New-York-Area&goto=newpost

The Lancaster Amateur Radio Club W2SO will be assisting the Greater Niagara Frontier Council during its annual Cub-a-Ree which coincides with the Jamboree on the Air.

W2SO will be on 80 meters - 440 MHz. We would appreciate as many scout stations and any stations contacting us on phone or PSK. Please let us know if you'd like to setup a sked.

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SE NI6IW USS Midway (CV-41) Museum

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 10:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364564-SE-NI6IW-USS-Midway-(CV-41)-Museum&goto=newpost

13 Oct, 1700-2359, San Diego, CA. USS MIDWAY (CV-41) Museum Radio Operations Room, NI6IW. Celebrating U.S. Navy Birthday established 1775. SSB 14.320 7.250, PSK31 14.070, D-STAR 012C and 2m/70cm SOCAL rptrs. QSL SASE to USS MIDWAY Museum Radio Room, 910 N Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101-5811.

KK6FZ@arrl.net

2008. eHam.net News for Saturday 13 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-13 22:55:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5171cf95a9e1904cbf8b3bc@google.com>
Source record: 1775
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Melbourne FL Hamfest Oct. 13-14, 2012:

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29143

The Platinum Coast Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual Hamfest and ARRL State Convention this weekend at the Melbourne Auditorium, 625 E. Hibiscus Blvd., Melbourne, FL. This event is open to the public from 9 AM to 5 PM Saturday, Oct. 13, and on Sunday, Oct. 14, from 9 AM to 2 PM. Admit tickets are available at the door for $7.00/person, with children age 12 and under admitted free. Free WiFi is available at the Auditorium.

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Cabot Tower Will Soon Broadcast n Morse Code Again:

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 05:01 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29142

A popular landmark will soon be shining out the letters making up the word Bristol once again. Before its renovation, Cabot Tower used to broadcast the name of the city in Morse code. Bristol City Council says a replacement transmitter will be installed shortly. It has cleared the move with police, ambulance and aviation authorities.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #41 de K7RA:

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 04:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29141

Another decline in sunspot activity this week, but based on activity over the past few days and projected solar flux values it is making a steady recovery.

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HRD Software, LLC Celebrates 1 Year:

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 04:14 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29140

HRD Software, LLC today celebrates its one year anniversary of the close of the deal with Simon Brown, HB9DRV to acquire the rights to the Ham Radio Deluxe Software

source code.

2009. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 13 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-14 02:25:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405b3bbe9d904cbfba2bc@google.com>
Source record: 1776
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Kids in South Bay connect to astronauts aboard International Space Station
- San Jose Mercury News

Posted: 13 Oct 2012 05:55 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHthPwWXD_BfQfLM1L3ESdZmoanzA&url=http://www.mercurynews.com/science/ci_21767941/kids-south-bay-connect-astronauts-aboard-international-space

Kids in South Bay connect to astronauts aboard International Space Station
San Jose Mercury News
Proud parents and the local ham radio enthusiasts in town for a large amateur radio convention at the hotel beamed with pride and couldnt seem to stop commenting on how cute the whole thing was. Using proper ham radio etiquette, the kids all had to ...

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Doha to host amateur radio festival - Peninsula On-line

Posted: 13 Oct 2012 04:15 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF69AShGll__aSSD_jpMwbfSbTBEw&url=http://thepeninsulaqatar.com/qatar/210694-doha-to-host-amateur-radio-festival.html

Doha to host amateur radio festival
Peninsula On-line
H E Abdullah bin Hamad Al Attiyah during the meeting with US Amateur Radio official yesterday. DOHA: The city will host the Qatar international festival for amateur radio in December. This was decided during a meeting between H E Abdullah bin Hamad Al ...

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Event planned for radio amateurs - Jacksonville Daily News

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 04:44 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF6m9xVtGoDvf5wU3fvHI-g7g3bZg&url=http://www.jdnews.com/news/local/event-planned-for-radio-amateurs-1.26928

Jacksonville Daily News
Event planned for radio amateurs
Jacksonville Daily News
People come and see friends they havent seen all year," said Janice Hopkins, a member of the Carteret County Amateur Radio Society and ARRL

public information officer for North Carolina. As part of the National Weather Service Skywarn network, Hopkins ...

2010. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 14 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-14 11:08:27 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2343417552b304cc02f0d5@google.com>
Source record: 1777
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio in the Country 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KRYHz3FQ_zg/amateur_radio_in_the_country_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim Walford G3PCJ is pleased to announce that, following the very
successful QRPiC 2012 this year, next year’s event will be held on Sunday
July 21st 2013

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ISS Ham Radio contact Tuesday, October 16, 2012 with Pozohondo, Spain

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/A6Arf9Oj3tw/ariss_event_1610.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Tuesday October 16 at 09:26:52 UTC, which is 11.26.52 CEST, an ARISS
(Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) contact is scheduled for
CRA Pozohondo, Nava De Abajo (Pozohondo), Spain

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CQ Hou Koers and JOTA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HWoI8DMXx94/cq_hou_koers_and_jota.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

South Africa's regulator ICASA has agreed that unlicensed youth
participating in JOTA and CQ Hou Koers may operate amateur radio stations
under the supervision of licensed radio amateurs without the need to
register as an educational station

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SAQ transmissions on United Nations Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AWdz2T-qmvk/saq_transmissions.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SAQ transmitter will be on air on United Nations Day, Wednesday 24th
October

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MyzW-lrG7JM/wca_1410.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Details of more castle activations for October, including three taking
place today

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HF Propagation Report from Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-IJvzh8BYu4/october_14.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, reports that the space weather outlook for
the next few days is unsettled

2011. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 14 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-14 16:52:17 UTC
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Source record: 1778
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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ZD8O Ascension Island 2012

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 01:28 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364734-ZD8O-Ascension-Island-2012&goto=newpost

N5ZO will be active from Ascension Island 18-30 October 2012 as ZD8O

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-contest-2012/

73 Al 4L5A

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iHAB-8 Launch Announcement

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 02:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364487-iHAB-8-Launch-Announcement&goto=newpost

The iHAB Team is excited to announce the next launch of the iHAB
Project! iHAB-8 is scheduled to launch October 14, 2012
at 16:00Z (11AM CDT). The iHAB Team as well as other
High Altitude Balloon fans have had a challenging year trying to
launch balloons due to the global helium shortage. You can read
more about the shortage here HERE. We were fortunate to obtain
enough helium to complete one launch in 2012, and iHAB-8 is that
launch!

The iHAB Team is excited to fly another "FUN" payload. Including
a new "micro" 20 Meter QRP CW beacon designed and built by Dave Cripe
- NM0S, Hi-Def Video, and time-lapse photography. The CW beacon
controller is a new version (not yet available for purchase) of the
EZKeyer from 4SQRP. The EZKeyer v2 has expanded memories, AND beacon
mode! Please spot signal reports on QRP Spots -
http://www.qrpspots.com/

The other exciting mission to this launch, and the reason we are
calling is "X" Marks the Spot is because we are going about this
launch a bit backwards to what we have done thus far. For an added
twist of difficulty, we have preselected our desired LANDING
location, and will be calculating out LAUNCH location based on
continued calculated predictions right up until we launch. We have
chosen the Ottumwa Industrial Airport - KOTM as our "X". This will
challenge our Propulsion Team to hit their mark!

Visit http://www.ihabproject.com/iHAB-8/ for updated Flight
News, and Launch Information.

=== The launch of iHAB-8 will be webcast LIVE starting
at/around 10:30AM CDT, so please plan to visit Mission Control.
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http://www.ihabproject.com/Tracker/?...sion_id=iHAB-8

You can also follow W0OTM on Twitter!

FlightComm:

KBØVXL - Oskaloosa, IA

145.490 MHz +, 146.2 Hz CTCSS

Echolink Node : NONE

Telemetry & Tracking:

Live! Tracker -> HERE APRS (legacy)

Balloon Telemetry-> HERE

Chase Vehicle Telemetry-> HERE

Both Telemetry-> HERE

Propulsion

600g He

Payload #1:

APRS - WØOTM-11

144.39Mhz

OpenTracker+

Alinco DJ-C7 - VHF/UHF 3ØØ/5ØØmw

2ØM QRP Beacon

1.5 Watts

14.057.85 +/- Mhz

designed/built by Dave Cripe NM0S

"W0OTM iHAB-8 Iowa High Altitude Balloon Project"

AAØZZ EZKeyer (with v2 Chip)

GoPro® HD HERO

1080p HD video

Keep Looking Up!

Marshall Dias - W0OTM

2012. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 14 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-14 16:57:12 UTC
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Source record: 1779
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: Balloon Man & Rocket Man

Posted: 12 Oct 2012 05:20 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364605-HamRadioNow-Balloon-Man-amp-Rocket-Man&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 27: Balloon Man & Rocket Man

Bill Brown WB8ELK sends balloons carrying ham radio to the edge of space.

David Stephenson KJ8OKJ sent rockets deep into space (not by himself...

with a little outfit called NASA). They each have a story you'll likely
find interesting,

and they're both here in Episode 27.

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and 'click the pig'

2013. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1082

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-14 19:41:20 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <659185.96750.qm@smtp111.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1780
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1082
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1082

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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October 15, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 7th-October, through Sunday, 14th-October there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9X, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

1S/S1, PRINCIPALITY OF SEALAND (Once Claimed To Be A DXCC Entity). Do you remember this one? A former UK anti-aircraft tower/fort (called Roughs

Tower) located in the North Sea was occupied by a retired army major Roy Bates and his family in 1967. Major Bates declared the fort an independent sovereign state from the UK and renamed it Sealand on September 2, 1967. Bates established Sealand as a nation in 1975. Sealand had its own constitution, flag, National Anthem, stamps, passports and currency. There were even a few DXpeditions to Sealand - 1SLA1 (2000 by a Dutch group) and S1A (1982 by a German group). However, it has been reported that Major Bates passed away on October 9th, at the age of 91 in a care home in Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, after a long battle with Alzheimer's. His wife Joan is now expected to take over the rule of Sealand. Here are some interesting URLs to read about the history and view pictures of the Principality of Sealand:

http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2216596/Retired-army-major-occupied-fortress-North-Sea-declared-sovereign-principality-Sealand-dies-aged-91.html
http://www.sealandgov.org
http://www.angelfire.com/nv/micronations/sealandinfo.html
http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Principality-of-Sealand/42469203122
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Principality_of_Sealand
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/july2006/sealand_appeal.htm

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND. Just a reminder that a team of operators from Switerland known as the "Radio 7 Team" will be active as 3B9SP from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between October 16-23rd. Their goal is to set up three amateur radio stations that can be run together on different Amateur Radio bands. Mostly one on CW, one on SSB and the third running special modes like RTTY and PSK31. They hope to use small 400 watt solid state amplifiers for the CW and SSB stations. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using two 3 element Spiderbeams (20/17/15/12/10m), verticals for 40/30/20m, a Butternut HF2V for 160/80/40m and a Slim Jim for 6 meters. QSL via HB9ACA direct or use the OQRS on ClubLog. The logs will be uploaded to LotW within 6 months after the DX Operation. For more details and updates, see: http://hb9fr.ch/3b9sp

5H, TANZANIA (Update). Noel, WB0VGI, informs OPDX this week that he is now operational in Iringa, Tanzania. He states, "I haven't established a schedule yet but will try to get on in the afternoons (1500-2000z) on 15 and 20 meters." He states that he will update us with more when he figures out what bands are best from there. He will be there until December 17th. Operations will be on CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

5X, UGANDA (Postponed!). Nick, G3RWF, who was expected to be active this week as 5X1NH from Uganda for two months, has announced that his trip is now postponed. No reason given.

8P, BARBADOS. Dave, WJ2O, will be active as 8P9DF from Surfsong resort in St. Philip between November 21-28th. Activity will be on all HF bands using mainly CW and an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). Outside of the contest, he will be on 30/17/12 meters. QSL via WJ2O. For more details and updates, see: http://www.wj2o.com

8Q, MALDIVES. Claudio, HB9OAU, will once again be active from the Maldives as 8Q7AU, but from Maayafushi Island (AS-013), North Male Atoll, between November 26th and December 11th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters SSB only using a 7-band vertical. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Look for updates and photos from his last trip at: http://www.hb9oau.ch

9H, MALTA. Operators Brad/K7ZSD (9H3ZD), Carl/WS7L (9H3WM) and Tim/NL8F (9H3TJ) will be active as 9H9X during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. The operators will use their individual callsigns before and after the contest. They will arrive in Malta on October 18th, and make a short trip to Sicily via Brads Yacht, but will be back for the contest. Operators will be staying at the Euroclub Hotel in Qawra, Malta. They will have an A3 beam, S9 43 ft. vertical and some other wire antennas. Radios will be an Icom 756 Pro II and a Elecraft K3 with two 400 watt amps. They will be on the the third floor of the hotel with access to the roof 24/7 where the antennas will be. Tim, NL8F, will leave shortly after the contest and head back home because of business, but the other guys will have a bit more time to be on the air. QSL 9H9X via LoTW. QSL the other callsigns via the operator's instructions.

9J & Z2, ZAMBIA AND ZIMBABWE. Gerard (Gert), ZS6AYU, will be active as 9J2GF from near Livingstone, Zambia, between October 19-22nd, and also as Z21GF from Victoria Falls between October 22-25th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW only. He informs OPDX that he will use a FT857D into a Cushcraft R7000 vertical running 100 watts (in 9J) and 400 watts (in Z2). QSL via ZS6AYU, direct or by the Bureau.

C6, BAHAMAS. Brian, N3IQ (ND3F), will once again be active as C6AQQ from Nassau (FL16 - Junkanoo Beach), Providence Island (NA-001) between October 25-31st. Activity will be mostly on the lower bands, but he will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power or QRP entry. He states, "Different location than usual with more modest antennas." QSL via N3IQ, direct preferred or LoTW, by the Bureau (long wait) and eQSL.

C6, BAHAMAS. Operators Bob/N4BP (C6AKQ), Tim/N4UM (C6ARU) and Mike/K4RUM (C6AUM) will be active from Freeport, Lucaya, Bahamas (NA-080, WLOTA 0527), between November 20th and December 11th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), the ARRL 160m Contest (November 30th-December 2nd) and the ARRL 10m Contest (December 8-9th). Outside of the contests, Tim/C6ARU (N4UM) will be doing all the digital, mainly PSK31 and Olivia, but will probably also do some RTTY and other digital modes. Mike/C6AUM (K4RUM) and Bob/C6AKQ (N4BP) will probably do all CW. Bob informs OPDX that "We don't have any band plan, but will cover them all from 160-6 meters including the WARC bands." QSL via the operator's home callsign.

CARIBBEAN TOUR. David, K3LP, will activate the following Caribbean Islands during the later half of December. Specifics of his activities are not known at this time, but it will be holiday style. His tentative schedule is as follows:
December 18-22nd - Callsign K3LP/KP4; San Juan, Puerto Rico

December 23rd - Callsign K3LP/KP2; St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands
December 24th - Callsign K3LP/V4; Basseterre, St. Kitts
December 25th - Callsign K3LP/J73; Roseau, Dominica
December 26th - Callsign K3LP/J3; St. George's, Grenada
December 28th - Callsign K3LP/KP2; Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas,
U.S. Virgin Islands
December 29-31st - Callsign K3LP/KP4; San Juan, Puerto Rico

Look for possible updates and more details at: http://www.k3lp.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update/Press Release). The following was sent out on
October 8th [edited]: "Final preparations for the upcoming Sable Island
DXpedition are being completed. Canadian authorities have approved the
revised dates of October 22-31st. In order to minimize potential impact
to the migratory bird population on Sable Island, we have settled on
vertical dipole antennas made by 'GAP Antennas'. GAP has already shipped
five, pre-drilled, ready-to-go, mono-band vertical antennas for 10, 12,
15, 17, and 20 meters. These antennas should arrive in Halifax this week.
In addition, we are shipping back-up radio transceivers to Halifax on
Monday, October 8th. Extra freeze-dried meals are being shipped, as well,
in the event that our departure from Sable is delayed by weather conditions.
Now that Sable Island has become a national park, it is unclear what
limitations, if any, will be placed on future requests for group operations.
Even though, we are just a two-person team, we will do our best to provide
a new country or new band-country to those in need of CY0. As previously
advertised, our focus will be on 10m, 12m, and 15m, where the greatest
demand for Sable Island exists. For the latest updates, visit:
http://www.CY0dxpedition.com
73 de Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK"

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting
their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them
(possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2012 - 3D2C Conway Reef (Video by AH6HY - mostly bird life on the island):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GNjwyqW04
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JkwQVYMU8
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QLt-mmnTU
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-LkbitTC0
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5n2kHcGF8
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ywAWEkfk
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zCeKA7hQg
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E1LV7L9t4
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8MxX4Ud8s
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahpr6OrMA
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E7aCAs284
http://www.youtube.com/watch?vKShoMz6suk (video by K6SRZ)
2012 - S79RCC Seychelles Islands (AF-025 & AF-035) [Russian]:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwuthn0qA
2009 - XV7RRC Vietnam IOTAs (AS-157, AS-162 & AS-185):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V2beWJ4rU
2008 - KL7DX Aleutians Islands [Eng]:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M2MXxow8w
2006 - TF4RRC Flatey Island (EU-168), Iceland [Russian]:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LL6B5hPAs

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use, and we will publish it.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Sindre, LA6OP, will be active as EA8/LA6OP from Tenerife (AF-004, S-012 for the Spanish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1276) between October 25th and November 8th. Activity will be holiday style on the bands between 20-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL vis his home callsign.

EA9, CEUTA & MELILLA. Mek, SP7VC, will be active as EA9/SP7VC from Ceuta between October 22-28th. Activity will be holiday style (he will also be fishing) on 160-10 meters using SSB and also an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). Equipment consists of: IC-746, HEX beam by SP7IDX techology, R-7000 vertical, Inverted L for 160/80m and a K9AY beverage antenna for receiving. QSL via his home callsign direct or LoTW. For updates, visit his home page at: http://www.sp7vc.pl

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mauri, EA8CMX/OHBYS, will be active as EF8S during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)/Low-Power entry. He states that he will trying a 3-element wire-Yagis and Beverages. QSL via OH2BYS.

EI, IRELAND. Olivier, ON4EI, will once again be active as EI8GQB and EI1A between October 21-30th. He plans to operate from his caravan using green energy. Olivier will activate EI1A callsign during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/2-Radio (SO2R) entry. You can follow his activity and antenna experimentation on <http://www.qrz.com/db/EI8GQB> where you will find a live information banner with on air frequencies and information. QSL ONLY via ON4EI by the Bureau.

EY, TAJIKISTAN. Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, announced once again that he will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. Check out his home page at: http://www.ey8mm.com

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Didier, FY5FY, will be active as FY5KE during the CQWWide DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via FY1FL, by the Bureau or direct.

IT'S TIME FOR AZORES NINE ISLANDS HUNT LOTTERY DRAW. Excerpts from an October 12th press release state [edited]: "A lottery draw for two free travel packages to the Azores will take place at DARC Headquarters in Kassel, Germany, at 1100 UTC on October 15, 2012, and the winners will be announced immediately hereafter at: http://www.visitazores.com\a9ihunt ... No one at 1200 UTC on September 29th expected that more than 9000 hams from all continents would dedicate all their efforts to make the project a success..... A total of 1542 amateurs contacted five or more

of the nine islands, resulting in 11,404 lottery tickets for first round. Additionally, the twenty-five (25) amateurs who contacted all nine islands fastest will participate in a second lottery. These twenty-five represent 12 different countries and include three stations from USA..... Totally 551 stations contacted all islands and they will be honored with a personalized special Award of Merit. Full-color QSL cards featuring each island will be released through the QSL bureau network while direct requests can be mailed to Jose Melo, CU2CE."

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-012. Operators Take/JA6CNH and Yasuro/JF6XQJ will be active from Genkai Island (Shima) between October 19-21st. Any changes to their plans will be made on October 18th.

OC-151. Leo, YC9MLL, who has been live on Flores Island for 8 years, informs OPDX that he operates on SSB mostly, but will operate on CW if requested. He is usually on Saturdays and Sundays, but states that he is on vacation now and hams can arrange for IOTA QSO anytime via E-mail (see QRZ.com). Leo can operate on 40/20/15/10 meters using CW, SSB, PSK31, RTTY and SSTV. He has a homebrew radio with 50-100w into a dipole and delta loop antenna. QSL via his home callsign.

JD1, OGASAWARA. Makoto, JI5RPT, will once again be active as JD1BLY from Chichijima Island (AS-031), Ogasawara, between December 10-13th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, including the satellites, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign JI5RPT. His log search will be available on his Web site at: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
He will also use Twitter to inform his real-time activities at: http://twitter.com/jd1bly

KG6, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will be active as KG6DX in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. QSL via KG6DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. Also LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 15-21st)....
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA (Update/Operator Needed). Operators Bill/N6MW and Jim/N6TQ will be active as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila between March 19-28th. Their focus will be on "Maximum number of different stations contacted; CW, some SSB and RTTY if/when things slow down; EU when possible on higher bands; and Significant 160m effort." Their location on the island will be well south of the Pago Pago harbor area to avoid as much mountain low angle cut off as possible. The DXpedition's Web page states, "One more operator position open." For more details and updates, visit: http://n6mw.jimdo.com

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2013. Members of the Eastern Iowa DX Association (EIDXA) elected the founding officers for 2013:
Craig Fastenow, K0CF - President
Jerry Rappel, WW0E - Vice President
Rich Haendel, W3ACO - Secretary/Treasurer

NH8, SWAINS ISLAND (Press Release). The following was posted on the NH8S Web page <www.nh8s.org> on October 9th [edited]: "Craig and I would like to thank everyone who worked us from Swains. We made 105,500 qso's which made a lot of hams happy. This is not a record, but something we and the team are very proud of. We had a great time but are glad to be back home with our families.
This was truly a remarkable trip in many ways. We are very proud of our team as they performed remarkably well under unbearable heat. As you may know by now, it was 125° F on the beach in the sun. To put up antennas in the loose sand and heat was quite a challenge. During the duration of the trip, the crew walked many miles to get to the operating stations four times a day. Then they worked the endless pileups, which can be stressful. Never did they complain about the job before them, making qso's in those hot tents. Every crew member experienced some type of heat reaction at one time or another. Some members endured other injuries as well, and two were hospitalized, so we had our challenges. Everyone is home and fine now..
To Swains owners, the Jennings family, you and your group were an enormous help to us. The Island support team of thirteen native men and women worked tirelessly to see that our needs were met. We couldn't ask for better hosts. Including the off-island support crew; it took a total of 43 people to make this all happen.
QSL cards are ready to be printed and should be distributed in a few months. If you need a card right away, please go to our OQRS link for your QSL card.
We want to thank all of our equipment sponsors; your equipment worked flawlessly. And to the foundations, clubs and individuals who helped fund this trip, we are most appreciative of your generosity. These trips to remote places are so expensive that it would not be possible without your support.
It was a great honor for Craig and me to lead such an extraordinary team of highly experienced operators. This was not the easiest trip any of us have been on, and you guys are the greatest.
Craig/K9CT and Joe/W8GEX Co-Leaders"

NP3, PUERTO RICO. Jaime, WP3A, will be active as NP3X from the Coamo Contest club station during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry.

ON, BELGIUM. Berkin, TA3J, will be active as ON/TA3J from various locations between December 7-11th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using SSB and FM. QSL via his home callsign.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 14th)

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3D2GC via LZ1GC EM4IFF via US5IQ OG30OJ via OH3OJ
3D2OP via PT2OP EM80L/p via US0LW OG73X via OH8L
5B/RT9T via RT9T EM200V via UR2VA OH3D via OH3AD
5D7AT via ON4LO GB80PW via G3XFD RI1ANF via ZS1ANF or
RK1PWA
5U5A via I2UIY H44PA via VK1AI SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE
6W1SP via F4FMI (*) II7EPC via IQ7MU SZ3I via SV3JZT
A41PB via EB7DX II9MK via IQ9DE T88IK via JF1LUT
A61AS via YO3FRI IM0LDV via IK5YOJ TR8CA via F6CBC
CT8/G7VJR via M0OXO K3A via N3YIM TX5EG via F6CBW
CT9/DF3FS via DF3FS LA/JH0CJH via JH0CJH
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only
* Bathily, 6W1SP, announced to only QSL direct to:
Bathily Mala, Box 160, 12600 Ouakam Air, Senegal.

7O6T QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Nick, UA3DX, reports that the 7O6T QSL cards are still being printed. Please, wait until November-December.

TX0HF QSL STATUS. Look for the log of TX0HF to be on LoTW at the end of year. Philippe, FO4BM, requests to "Please do not send any QSL card to my P.O.Box in Moorea!!! QSL via F4FJH direct only. Card requests are being processed now."

U.S. MAIL GOING UP! It was announced that the U.S. postal first class rate will be going up to 46-cents, as well as other rate hikes on January 27th, 2013. Postcards will have a 1-cent increase to 33 cents. However, something new has been added. There will now be an inter-national/global "FOREVER" stamp available for 1.10 USD. To read the complete details, see:
http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2012/pr12_114.htm

ZA1E QSL ROUTE. QSL only direct to Dik, ZA1E, via the QRZ.com address. PLEASE NO IRCs.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 2O12L, 5R8IC, 8P9HA, 9A3IH, CU7MD, CU9AC, DP6T, E74IW, EI3KG, F4GDI, F4GTB, IO5O, JW0HR, KH7X, LU4DX, LX7I, OH8X, OK1TN, OT4A, PF7DKW, PJ2/PB2T, PJ2/VE7SZ, PP1CZ, PZ5RA, RI1ANF, RW3XZ, S57S, UA6GR, UT3UA, UU0JM/P, V31RN, V44KAI, VK7CW, WP4U, XE2S, ZS5B, XU7ACY and ZW5B

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2AG/P, 4S7UJG, 4S7QHG, 9J2JA, D44AC, FP/VE2XB, FY5FA, H44UD, HB0/DL2SBY, PJ4G, TF2CL, TX0HF, VK9PN and XP2I

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI. Just a reminder that a Brazilian team will be active as T30PY (HF) and T30SIX (6m, EME on WSJT-JT65A) from Tarawa Island (OC-017) this week between October 16-25th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY EME. Suggested frequencies are listed in OPDX.1059. They will have three stations on the air. QSL via PY2PT, direct, by the Bureau ("Estimation to reply: at last, 3 years."), or by their OQRS on the Web page. For more details, see: http://www.mdxc.org/t30py

TO2, FRENCH GUIANA. Rich, N6KT (ex-HC8N), will be active as TO2A from French Guiana between October 20-30th. Activity (hopefully) will be on all bands. He will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via KU9C.

TT8, CHAD. You only have a few more days to work the "Italian DXpedition Team" as TT8TT from N'Djamena until October 16th. According to their Web page, as of 0818z, October 14th, TT8TT has made 63322 QSOs with 18710 unique callsigns (32866/CW, 27555/SSB and 2901/RTTY). QSL direct via I2YSB. QSL by the Bureau via IK2CIO. Logs will be posted to LoTW within six months. A log search and an OQRS are all available on their Web page at: http://www.i2ysb.com
Official forum is at: http://bit.ly/NVQaav

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The 2013 Cordell Expedition to Clipperton Island will use the callsign TX5K. The DXpedition team will leave San Diego on the vessel "Shogun" on February 19th, and land on Clipperton February 27th. They will be on the air between February 28th and March 10th. The current list of operators are Bob/KK6EK (Organizer, Expedition Leader), Christian/DL1MGB (Co-organizer), Carlos/NP4IW (Logistics), Gerhard/DJ5IW, Robert/SP5XVY, Dietmar/DL3DXX, Andreas/DL5CW, Yann/F1NGP, Mathias/DJ2HD, Heye/DJ9RR, Terry/AB5K, Ed/KE3D, Rick/KF4ZZ, Mike/WA6O, Luis/XE1L, Igor/US0VA, Tom/DL5LYM, Tom/VE3CX, Ken/OZ1IKY, Jef/DD2CW, Dave/WJ2O, Giovanni/I5JHW and one other space open. Louis-Philippe Loncke will be there for documentation. There are four honorary team members: Chod Harris/VP2ML (SK - DXpedition Dedication), Yasuo "Zorro" Miyazawa/ JH1AJT (Honorary DXpedition Leader), Conrad Limbaugh (Expedition Dedication) and Dan Gotshall (Honorary Expedition Leader). The "Technology Development" team members are: Bob/N2OO is the QSL Manager, Peter/W6OP and Dean/N7XG are Software Development, Rich/KY6R (Social Media), Alan/AD6E (Satellite Communications), Dean/N6BV (Radio Propagation Modeling) and Felipe (Internet Data). Regional Coordinators are: Marcus/DL9RCF (Germany), Stan/KH6CG (Hawaii), Col/MM0NDX (Scotland), Cesar/PY2YP (Brazil), Andre/V51B (Namibia), Tommy/VK2IR (Australia) and XE2HWJ (Mexico). There will be four members on the Scientific Program team. For more details, visit the Clipperton Island Web page at: http://www.cordell.org/CI/index.html

UK, UZBEKISTAN. Takhir, UA1ZEY, will be active as UK/UA1ZEY from Samarkand between October 14th and November 1st. Activity will be active on HF bands. QSL via his home callsign direct.

V8, BRUNEI DARUSSALAM (V84SMD Press Release #5). The following was sent out on October 8th [edited]: "DX friends of all over the World , we are now very near the kick off of our new adventure, this time in V8 land. All is going perfectly, and we are happy to report that the DXpedition packaging is ready and all equipments tested. Our international team of 23 operators of 9 Countries, lead by Antonio/IZ8CCW and Gabriele/I2VGW under the flag of Mediterraneo DX Club, is excited about this operation that will be on the air from two different shacks. The first one just on the beach of Pantai Seri Kenangan in Tutong and the second one from a close hotel. The team will be running seven stations from 6 to 160 including 6 meters. We'll be on CW, SSB and RTTY around the clock from November 11-23rd, and our aim is to take care of increasing number of QSOs also outside EU, and also to use as many modes possible where the country is most wanted. As we know so far, CW and RTTY modes are more needed all around the world from Brunei Darussalam. We remind you that V8 is also an IOTA reference (OC-88). For further info and to discover how to support us, please see our Web site at <http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd>. Any donations will be very very useful. So thanks in advance! Here is also our set-up:
RTX - 4X ICOM IC-7000, 1X ELECRAFT K2, 1 x YAESU FT-950 and 1x ICOM 7200
ANTENNAS FARM - 1X Vertical antenna for 80m, 2X 5 Bands Spiderbeam, 1X UJX-Vertical for 40-10m, 4 Square for 40m, 2X Vertical
in phase for 30m, 1X 2 element mono 20m, 1x 3 element
mono 15m, 1X Inverted L for 160m, 1x 6 elemnet mono band
50Mhz model 50LFA6XL by Eantenna and 1x WARC Bands Rigid
Dipole by EAntenna WARC121730
AMPLIFIRES - 2X Acom 1011, 1X Tokyo 600w, 1x Ameritron 500w and 1x New PA by Italian new factory brand"

The DXpedition official Web site at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd

VC2, CANADA (Zone 2). Igor, VE3ZF, will be active as VC2X from Zone 2 during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. Igor will be operating from the small French-speaking fishing village of Riviere-Au-Tonnerre, Northern Quebec. Before the contest, he will use the VE3ZF/2 callsign. Igor informs OPDX, "I will use a YAESU FTDX5000D, Kenwood TL922a, phasing verticals on low bands and Spider beam on 14-21-28." QSL all callsigns via VE3ZF.

VP5/VQ5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Operators Bill/KX4WW, Noll/W9RN and Doug/W4OX and Jim/K9PPY will be active as VQ5X during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via W4OX or LoTW. The team will be on the island between October 20-30th. Outside of the contest, they will use VP5/homecall and be active on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. There is a possibility they may be on 6 meters as well, but this will depend on how long it takes to finish doing some tower maintenance which will determine if they will have enough time to put together the 6m antenna and haul it up one of the towers.

VQ92, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Jim, VQ9JC/ND9M, on Diego Garcia until mid-November, informs OPDX that he will be using another special prefix callsign, VQ92JC

(nine two), between October 20th and November 4th. He states, "I'll be QRV in the 1200-1600z time frame as much as possible during that calendar window. This is the sixth consecutive year that I've been issued a unique prefix. The only drawback is that I'm still operating Field Day style from a recreational park. My station currently is a FT-857 at 100 watts to a dipole at a height of 10 meters. I'll be on during the upcoming CQ WW SSB contest. I've made a lot of calls and CQs on SSB, both in and outside of contests, over the last several months, but very few ops have answered me. No doubt it's largely because prop condx aren't very good and because of my station limitations, so I don't know how good my SSB effort in the WW will be. I'm scheduled to return to the States just after that." QSL via ND9M.

YS, EL SALVADOR. Operators Mario/YS1GMV, Mario/YS1MAE and members of the Club de Radio Aficionados de El Salvador (CRAS) will be active as YS1YS during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via YS1GMV.

Z8, SOUTH SUDAN. Diya, Z81D, has been very active the past week on 40/20/15/12/10 meters SSB at various time. Sometimes via a list operation. Suggest to watch or search QSNs on the DXCluster. QSL via OM3JW.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Marko, N5ZO, will once again be active as ZD8O from Ascension Island (AF-003) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via OH0XX. Marko will be active between October 18-30th "as time allows from setting up field day operation."

ZF2, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Pete, K8PGJ, will be active as ZF2PG on Grand Cayman (NA-016) during the week of January 12-20th. Activity (when not diving) will occur on 20 to 15 meters SSB during the morning and early afternoon on weekdays. He will be operating in the NAQP Contest on 20 and 40 meters. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS. Jim, ZL1LC, is currently planning to be active as ZL7LC from Chatham Islands (OC-038) between March 21-27th. Activity will be mainly PSK only. More details will be forthcoming.

ZV7, BRAZIL (Special Event). Look for several Brazilian operators to activate special event station ZV7O between November 17-18th. Activity will take place during the "FLIPORTO 2012" (Festa Liter&#65533;ria Internacional de Pernambuco) <http://www.fliporto.net/fliporto2012/en/fliporto-2012>. The special ZV7O station will be on the air from the FLIPORTO event doing a public demonstration of amateur radio using different bands and modes. A special award (see QRZ.com) will be issued upon request to the Award Manager for contacts with ZV7O on two different bands or two different modes, at no cost. A colored QSL card will be printed to confirm all contacts made by ZV7O. QSL via PY7JN.

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following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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2014. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 14th October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-14 20:00:09 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121014200004.53D6233C23@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1781
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 14th October 2012

CQ WW DX SSB Contest

One of the bigger SSB contests of the year - the SSB leg of the CQ WW DX Contest - takes place over the weekend of 27th / 28th October. Olivier ON4EI/EI8GQB tells us that he will be participating in this contest from Tipperary using the call sign EI1A. During the contest he will be trying out a new 160 metre inverted-L antenna and hopes to operate for the duration of the contest using only renewable energy. More details of his plans are on the EI8GQB QRZ.COM page.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The 2012 IVETA National Vintage Show takes place on Sunday the 14th October in The Cavan Equestrian Centre in Cavan town. The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group has been invited to attend the event where we shall have a display of vintage amateur radio gear and old type radio's on display. We will also be running a live station from the event with the call EI2WRC/P. Because the day is of a vintage theme we will probably be using CW.

If any stations are active on Sunday and hear the EI2WRC/P please do give us a call and if there is any amateurs in the area and would like to call in and work the station you are very welcome to do so. More information can be got from Mark EI7IS on 087-6302026.

Talk on DXpedition to St. Kilda

At the South Dublin Radio Club QTH, on Tuesday last, Declan EI6FR gave a talk on his participation in the recent DXpedition to the island of St. Kilda, which is EU-059 for IOTA hunters. Declan was one of a group of 6 radio amateurs who spent 5 days on this remote island in the Outer Hebrides during May 2012. The island is now a World Heritage Site and is maintained by the National Trust for Scotland. In order to preserve the island's natural heritage, the radio operation was carefully corralled into one small area, with restrictions on power used and antenna types. Declan's presentation covered the logistical and technical aspects of the island activation as well as the fascinating history of the island, which supported a resident population up to the

1930s.

Sweden Loses 2.3GHz

Swedish radio amateurs have lost the 2300 MHz band although they have gained some spectrum at 1.8 MHz.

The Swedish Amateur Radio Society (SSA) has announced the loss of the 2300 MHz band with effect from October 1. 2400-2450 MHz is still allocated for amateur radio operation but the power there is limited to just 100 milliwatts at the antenna.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held October 17th, October 31st and on November 5th, the start of the classes. All are welcome to enrol. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

DX News

A multi-national team will operate from 6 different islands in Papua New Guinea between 19 October and 14 November. Look for callsign P29VCX from IOTA OC-103, OC-135, OC-025 and OC-240. They will use P29NI from OC-099 and P29VPB from OC-069.

The Sable Island DXpedition has been rescheduled for 22 - 31 October. Callsigns will be WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0. The operators will focus on 15, 12 and 10m.

Nick G3RWF will be back in Uganda for 2 months starting 15 October. He will reactivate his 5X1NH call and operate CW only. QSLs go via his home call.

Prefix hunters will be interested to hear of the callsign 5D7AT which is QRV from Agadir, Morocco until 21 October. It can be found on all bands 80 - 10m in SSB. QSL Manager is ON4LO.

A group of Spanish operators will be active from Macao from 18 - 29 October. Calls to listen for are XX9TFR, XX9TPX, XX9TBM and XX9TEX. They will focus on North America and Europe. QSL Manager is EA7FTR.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to

both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2015. eHam.net News for Sunday 14 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-14 22:30:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411895534f304cc0c7697@google.com>
Source record: 1782
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Event Planned for Radio Amateurs:

Posted: 13 Oct 2012 09:51 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29145

MAYSVILLE -- Amateur radio operators talk with each other over the airwaves often but don't always see each other in person. An event planned for this weekend will bring radio amateurs, also known as hams, together for fun and fellowship and a chance to connect in person. Maysville Hamfest 2012 will be held Sunday beginning at 8 a.m. at Rotary Park Community Center two blocks north of the intersection of highways N.C. 58 and U.S. 17. The event is free and open to all hams or anyone interested in amateur radio.

2016. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM] - WOCN31 CWHX 150141 TROPICAL STORM RAFAEL

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-15 01:57:49 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <507B6D77.4000700@rac.ca>
Source record: 1783
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

WOCN31 CWHX 150141
TROPICAL CYCLONE INFORMATION STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE CANADIAN
HURRICANE CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA AT 10:41 PM ADT SUNDAY
14 OCTOBER 2012.

TROPICAL CYCLONE INFORMATION STATEMENT FOR:
=NEW= NEWFOUNDLAND.

FOR TROPICAL STORM RAFAEL.

THE NEXT STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED BY 3:00 AM ADT.

TROPICAL STORM RAFAEL EXPECTED TO TRACK TOWARD EASTERN ATLANTIC
CANADA.

==DISCUSSION==
WE ARE MONITORING THE DEVELOPMENT OF TROPICAL STORM RAFAEL NORTH OF
PUERTO RICO. THE STORM IS FORECAST TO TRACK TOWARD THE
NORTH-NORTHWEST THEN TURN NORTH-NORTHEASTWARD ON TUESDAY PASSING NEAR
BERMUDA. BEYOND TUESDAY THE TRACK AND INTENSITY WILL BE DETERMINED
BY THE SPEED AND STRUCTURE OF AN EASTWARD-MOVING TROUGH OF LOW
PRESSURE. COMPUTER MODEL SCENARIOS AT THIS POINT EXPRESS A RANGE OF
TRACKS FROM JUST EAST OF CAPE BRETON TO WELL OFFSHORE SOUTHEAST OF
NEWFOUNDLAND. THE MIDDLE OF THE RANGE IS FOR A TRACK CLOSE TO THE
AVALON PENINSULA. A TRACK ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF THAT RANGE WOULD
REPRESENT AN EARLIER ARRIVAL (EARLY WEDNESDAY) WHILE A FARTHER-EAST
TRACKING WITH THE STORM WELL OFFSHORE WOULD PRIMARILY AFFECT THE
MARINE DISTRICT OVERNIGHT WEDNESDAY INTO THURSDAY.

REGARDLESS OF TRACK, RAFAEL WILL MOST LIKELY BE UNDERGOING TRANSITION
TO A POST-TROPICAL STORM WITH HIGH WINDS AND HEAVY RAINFALL AS IT
MERGES WITH THE TROUGH AND ASSOCIATED FRONT. HOWEVER, IT IS TOO
EARLY TO PREDICT THE SPECIFIC AREAS THAT MAY BE AFFECTED.
ADDITIONALLY, PERIODS OF RAIN AND SOME WIND WILL BE OCCURRING ACROSS
ATLANTIC CANADA ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY FROM A NON-TROPICAL LOW
PRESSURE ASSOCIATED WITH THE TROUGH THAT WILL BE AFFECTING THE
EVOLUTION OF RAFAEL.

THE CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE WILL LIKELY BEGIN OFFICIAL 6-HOURLY
BULLETINS MONDAY MORNING WITH MORE DETAILS.

VISIT WEATHEROFFICE.GC.CA/HURRICANE (ALL IN LOWER CASE) FOR THE
LATEST HURRICANE TRACK INFORMATION MAP.

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2017. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 14 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-15 02:32:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934080399160404cc0fdab8@google.com>
Source record: 1784
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Get on right wavelength and enjoy thrills of amateur radio - Newtown Abbey Times

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 04:13 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGqXMcdZKxKgtx-18evau8M_264xg&url=http://www.newtownabbeytoday.co.uk/lifestyle/get-on-right-wavelength-and-enjoy-thrills-of-amateur-radio-1-4352167

Newtown Abbey Times
Get on right wavelength and enjoy thrills of amateur radio
Newtown Abbey Times
He made the call as Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group (CARG) prepares to hold its annual sale this month. Sammy, from Monkstown, hopes it will provide the right signal for people to take up the pastime. The 67-year-old is treasurer of CARG and a ...

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ISS Ham Radio contact Tuesday, October 16, 2012 with Pozohondo, Spain - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 01:22 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF_3hEDxmheLip1xcet9ak2EDiG2A&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/ariss_event_1610.htm

ISS Ham Radio contact Tuesday, October 16, 2012 with Pozohondo, Spain
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
ISS Ham Radio contact Tuesday, October 16, 2012 with Pozohondo, Spain. On Tuesday October 16 at 09:26:52 UTC, which is 11.26.52 CEST, an ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) contact is scheduled for CRA Pozohondo, Nava De ...

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Amateur Radio in the Country 2013 - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 01:22 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHT-PM8-k1vGk4ILUfOYuu-zGyJ9g&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/amateur_radio_in_the_country_2013.htm

Amateur Radio in the Country 2013
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The title has been changed to Amateur Radio in the Country to reflect the enlarged range of amateur radio topics that will be on show – the scope goes well beyond the QRP oriented earlier events. As before, it will be

held at Upton Bridge Farm, Long ...

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 01:40 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF9ULQTR4yO1XlRVGE_-kMSc3UkcQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/wca_1410.htm

Amateur Radio World Castles Award
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The members of Radio Club DK0GYB will be active on the 31st of October 2012
from Castle Freckleben, WCA: DL-02168, COTA-DL: SAB-037. They plan to work
as DK0GYB (special DOK: 800ANHALT) on all bands from 07:00 till 14:00 UTC.
QSL via DARC ...

2018. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-15 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1350280801@panix.com>
Source record: 1785
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

2019. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 15 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-15 11:22:51 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f23554590c30104cc1741ae@google.com>
Source record: 1786
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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It's time for the Azores Nine Islands lottery draw

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8FrJ7Uc_Qhw/azores_nine_islands_lottery_draw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A lottery draw for two free travel packages to the Azores will take place
at DARC Headquarters in Kassel, Germany, at 1100 UTC on October 15, 2012,
and the winners will be announced immediately afterward

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2012 AMSAT Space Symposium in Orlando just weeks away

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This is a reminder that the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on
Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th at the Holiday Inn Hotel
at Orlando-International Airport

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Radio 7 on Rodrigues Island

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/V-lkU3xAQhI/radio_7_on_rodrigues_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A team of amateur radio operators from Switerland known as the 'Radio 7
Team' will be active as 3B9SP from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) between
October 16-23rd

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Sable Island DXpedition

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Final preparations for the upcoming Sable Island DXpedition are being
completed. Canadian authorities have approved the revised dates of October
22-31st

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
7th-October, through Sunday, 14th-October there were 218 countries active

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CQ WW DX SSB Contest

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One of the bigger SSB contests of the year - the SSB leg of the CQ WW DX
Contest - takes place over the weekend of 27th / 28th October

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Principality of Sealand (Once claimed to be a DXCC entity)

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Rks22MmzhJc/principality_of_sealand.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Do you remember this one? A former UK anti-aircraft tower/fort (called
Roughs Tower) located in the North Sea was occupied by a retired army major
Roy Bates and his family in 1967

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cr-Ut5lFYaM/october_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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New Amateur Radio Forum

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Southgate Amateur Radio News has just launched a new amateur radio forum
board

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 14 October 2012

The news headlines:

Nominations sought for prestigious award

Amateur files patent for software defined radio

RSGB-Ofcom meeting minutes now available online

Nominations are being invited by the German national radio society, DARC, for the prestigious Horkheimer Prize. The prize consists of an etched glass trophy and a monetary prize for non-personal use. The money is to be spent for the promotion of amateur radio however the recipient chooses. The prize can be awarded to one or more persons or institutions. Any member of an amateur radio society in the IARU is eligible, and self proposals are permitted. Proposals must be submitted to DARC by 28 March 2013, and the prize itself will be awarded at the opening of next year's Friedrichshafen rally.

Tao Wang, KB3KSR, has filed a patent in the USA that covers a general purpose software defined radio platform. The patent describes a pocket-size computing device that combines a graphical user interface, touch screen LCD display and a high performance software defined radio package. The US patent, number 8,279,587, can be searched for and read online.

Representatives of the RSGB met with Ofcom on Wednesday 10 October and minutes of the meeting have been posted on the RSGB website. Although the meeting was described as routine, it covered a range of subjects including a special callsign prefix for the RSGB Centenary year and how RAYNET could be better integrated into local emergency planning. A link to the RSGB-Ofcom Forum meeting minutes can be found in the News section of the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/news/rsgbofcomforum.

Next weekend sees the 55th Jamboree on the Air, the annual event in which Scouts and Guides all over the world speak to each other by means of amateur radio contacts. Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas are shared, via the radio waves. Many special event stations are being run in association with JOTA and some will be mentioned later in this broadcast.

The QSL sub-manager for the G4T series of callsigns has moved. Steve Redway, G4TRA is now at Hill House, Grange Lane, Rodbourne, Malmesbury

SN16 0ES.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, the Hornsea Amateur Radio Club rally takes place at Floral Hall, 7 The Esplanade, Hornsea, East Yorks HU18 1NQ. Opening at 10am, there are trade stands, a Bring and Buy, RSGB book stall and many other attractions. Details are online at www.hornseaarc.co.uk.

Next Saturday, the G QRP Club mini convention is at Rishorth School, Rishworth Sowerby Bridge, West Yorkshire HX6 4QA. Details are online at www.gqrp.com/rishworth.htm.

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Next Sunday sees the Galashiels and District ARS radio rally at The Volunteer Hall, St Johns Street, Galashiels, Scottish Borders TD1 3JX. Entry is £2.50 and the opening time is 11.30, or 11.15 for those with special needs. Details from Jim, GM7LUN on 01896 850 245.

Also next Sunday, the Ripon and District Amateur Radio Society rally and surplus equipment sale takes place from 10.30 at The Hugh Ripley Hall, Ripon, North Yorkshire HG4 2TP. Admission is £2. Details are available online at www.ripon.org.uk/content/radars-rally-2012.

Now for the news of special events

The town of Knokke was liberated by the Canadian Army in 1944. To commemorate the Canadian Liberation March, ON44CLM will be QRV from 16 October until 15 November. More information is online at www.on44clm.be

Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club will be taking part in the JOTA weekend on 20-21 October from their clubhouse at Stanley Village Hall, Crook, with the call sign GB1FDS.

Burnley & District Amateur Radio Club will be operating GB2SBC for JOTA on HF, VHF and UHF from Bowley International Scout Camp and Activity Centre, Great Harwood.

The Norman Lockyer Observatory Radio Group will be operating GB2NLO on 20-21 October from Sidmouth, Devon, both on its own account and as part of JOTA in association with Tipton St John Scout Group.

There will be many other JOTA special event stations on the air next weekend. A longer list can be found on page 89 of the October edition of RadCom.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Nick, G3RWF, returns to Uganda as 5X1NH from 16 October. Operations will be mostly on a spare time basis, but will include the CQ WW CW DX Contest and the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. QSL via his home call.

Members of Workington Amateur Radio Club are mounting a DXpedition to EU-010, South Uist, in the Outer Hebrides. Operation will be from 20-27 October, using the call MS0WRC. Operators Steve, G0MTD, Paul, M1PAF, Mark, M0WCR and Glyn, M0XUH will be active on SSB across the HF bands.

Noel, 5H3NP is operational from Iringa, Tanzania. He is using an FT-897D and ATU into a G5RV. He works mostly on 15 and 20m from about 1500z to 2000z.

As party of its Egypt 2012 special event from 18-22 October in Cairo, the Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development will be cooperating with the Arab Scout Region to run special event station SU55J to celebrate the 55th JOTA. For more information email ERASD Secretary, Said Kamel, SU1SK, via su1sk@amsat.org.

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The RSGB 1.3GHz UKAC takes place from 1900-2130 on Tuesday. Operating on all modes in the 23cm band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 5th to Thursday the 11th of October, compiled by Neil Clarke G0CAS on Friday the 12th of October.

Several sunspot groups rotated into view during the period and, in doing so, produced a number of M class solar flares on the 8th, 9th and the 10th. Associated with some of these solar flares were coronal mass ejections, but none were heading our way. Numerous C class solar flares took place from the 7th. Solar flux levels declined at first to 98 units on the 7th but increased to 117 units by the 11th with the appearance of the sunspot regions. The average was 106 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 11th was 118 units, that's five units down on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B1.7 units on the 6th to B5 by the 11th, the average was B3.3 units. Geomagnetic activity started at quiet levels, with an Ap index of 4 units on the 5th, but by the morning of 8th activity increased and lasted till the afternoon of the 9th. The Ap index on the 8th and the 9th was 40 and 50 units respectively. The disturbance was the combination of a coronal mass ejection that departed the Sun on the 5th and a coronal hole. The average was Ap 17 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from 290 kilometres per second on the 6th to 560 by early on the 10th. Particle densities increased to 45 particles per cubic centimetre on the 8th, otherwise densities were low. Bz varied between minus 5 and plus 4 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus 16 and plus 12 nanoTeslas on the 8th and 9th. During the geomagnetic disturbance HF propagation was considerably degraded, particularly on the east-west paths, but substantially recovered by the

11th. There were many reports of auroral propagation on 50 and 144MHz but relatively few UK operators appear to have benefited.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This week the more active side of the Sun is looking our way. Solar activity could be at moderate levels on some days. There is a slight chance that activity could increase to high with an X class solar flare taking place. Solar flux levels should increase and could be as high as 130 units. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet today but a slight increase could take place for the next couple of days due to a recurring coronal hole. Also, an Earth directed coronal mass ejection could also increase activity, particularly later in the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes are expected to be about 29MHz for the south and 26MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 9MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 30MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0800and 1200 UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday the Advanced course continues, and on Tuesday there's a talk on the perfect mobile rig from Atlas Radio Inc by Mark Hill, G4FPH. The shack social is on Friday and the Advanced course continues on Saturday. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and on Friday there is a club net on GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a construction and workshop evening on Monday. Next Saturday sees the start of the weekend Jota event with the Wooton-Under-Edge Scouts. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday. On Tuesday there's the 1.3GHz UKAC, then on Wednesday there's the formal

Hamfest debrief at the BSA Club. The Thursday club net is on 145.375MHz from 2000 and there's the Saturday surgery in the shack from 09.00. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is holding a committee meeting on Monday and has training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL on Thursday. Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

South Notts Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night on Wednesday. Next Saturday sees the start of the Foundation weekend and exam. Contact Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having CW tuition and a general discussion. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having a construction evening 2m 70cm Slim Jim Antennas. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday Central Radio Amateur Circle continues its Intermediate course via Skype. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video night. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Patrick McCracken on community radio station The Eye. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM and presenting awards. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 15 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and presentation by Steve, M5ZZZ, on the new RSGB proposals. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is considering members' winter project proposals. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding its pre-AGM discussion. Details on the club website at www.salop- ars.org.uk.

On Friday Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on Leicestershire Fire Brigade search and rescue dogs by Chris Pritchard. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

On Saturday Central Radio Amateur Circle is having a plug and play event at Barr Beacon, Walsall. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding an Advanced exam today at 10.30. On Monday there's a talk on virtual environments on your PC and in the data centre by Steve Townsley. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is running its rally at Floral Hall, Hornsea today, and there's a washup meeting on Wednesday. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Sheffield Amateur Radio Club has its annual presentation evening on Monday. On Saturday they start their weekend event for Jamboree on the Air at 35th St Oswalds Scouts, Archer Lane. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

Denby Dale Radio Club is holding its AGM on Wednesday. Saturday sees the start of the JOTA weekend at Bradley Wood scout camp. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Bolton Wireless Club is having a show & tell evening. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is taking the Aldis challenge. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on amateur radio astronomy by Jim, G3NFB. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is having a radio components catalogues evening. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND

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On Wednesday Ayr Amateur Radio Group Computer is having a group discussion on the way forward for software logging. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday Lothians Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale at St Fillan's Church Hall. Contact Alan J. Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

On Friday Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a DVD night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA First, advance notice that Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society will commence an Advanced revision evening course on Thursday, 25 October at the Danbury Village Hall. This short revision course is aimed at those who have already studied at home or elsewhere. The exam will be held on Wednesday, 5 December. Contact Clive, G1EUC on 01245 224 577.

Now for clubs that have several events this week. Farnborough & District Radio Society is running a Top Band net on 1.995MHz on Monday from 8pm. On Wednesday there is a CW net on 3.570MHz from 8pm. Friday sees a 2m net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday. On Tuesday there's a talk on Spratly by Nigel Cawthorne, G3TXF. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a Members Forum and Foundation Training Course follow up session on Wednesday. Next Sunday there's a JOTA event with 1st Aylesbury Scouts, operating as GB0AYL. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Mr & Mrs Jiggens on the wildlife of Essex. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Burnham Beeches Radio Club is working on its construction project. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the RSGB reorganisation by Alan, G8TLK. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Tuesday Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is running a 70cm net on GB3ER 8:30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by a member of the DXpedition to Christmas Island. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday Banbury Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on simple mechanical construction using DIY tools. Contact John, G8OZH, on 07774 525 818.

On Wednesday Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding a surplus sale. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Wednesday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday Colchester Radio Amateurs has its AGM. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

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On Thursday Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Thursday Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Fountain, Ashurst, BN44 3AP. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Autumn junk sale. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk on radio from the Falkland Islands by Roger Eeles, G0SWC/VP8DBR. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is holding the Hernia Cup inter-club quiz. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is holding its autumn auction of used & surplus equipment at Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Upper Church Road from 9am. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Saturday South Essex Amateur Radio Society is taking part in JOTA as GB2CIS from Canvey Heights with 1st Canvey Sea Scouts. Contact Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

Next Sunday Chesham & DARS is taking part in JOTA as GB0AYL with 1st Aylesbury Scouts. Contact Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Today, Weston Super Mare Radio Society is at the kite festival on Berrow Beach. On Monday there's a talk on amateur TV. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having an HF net on a Monday on 3.675MHz from 19:45. The 2m net is on Tuesday and the 4m net is on Thursday. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on cloud computing on Thursday. On Saturday the weekend JOTA event commences. Details from

Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio astronomy by Dave, 2E0CNB. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251.

On Monday Riviera Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club invites members to bring in their shack photos. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

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On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a workshop evening. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Jersey Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM, followed by the Jersey Amateur Radio Repeater Group GB3GJ AGM. Contact Rob Luscombe, MJ0RZD, on 07797 923 916.

On Friday Poole Radio Society continues its Intermediate course and is having an activity night. Details from Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and running an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday Dragon Amateur Radio Club is planning for JOTA. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is having an open night. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the Titanic messages. Contact Frank Bailey, M1EYH, by email to fcbailey20@btinternet.com.

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
08 - 14 October 2012

Solar activity was moderate. Three low level M-class x-ray flares occurred in the first three days of the week. At 08/1117 UTC, an M2 was observed off the east limb. This was followed by two M1 flares from the same vicinity on 09/2331 UTC and 10/0504 UTC. The remainder of the week was characterized by C-class activity, primarily from Region 1589 (N13, L=266, class/area=Dkc/280 on 12 October). This region was first numbered on 09 October as it rotated into view as a Cao/B type group. It grew to its maximum area and produced the largest C-class flare of the week, a C9/1f on 12/0820 UTC, in addition to three other C1 flares. Magnetic complexity increased as the region became an Ekc/BGD on 13 October while it's areal extent began to decrease. By the 14th, the area had diminished to 240 millionths and the region was classified as an Eac/BG. The week ended with five regions on the visible solar disk with 1589 remaining the largest among them. Region 1591 (N07, L=230, class/area Dsi/220 on 14 October) was numbered on the 12th. By the 14th, it had become the most productive, responsible for five of the six C-class events that day, the largest of which was a C3 at 14/2159 UTC. There were no Earth-directed CMEs during the period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at low levels on 08 October, then reached high levels every day for the remainder of the week.

Geomagnetic field activity reached major storm levels on the 8th and 9th of October with the arrival of an Earth-directed CME that occured on 05 October. An interplanetary shock was observed at the ACE spacecraft at 08/0445 UTC. A sudden impulse of 21 nT at the Boulder magnetometer followed at 08/0515 UTC. By 08/0556 UTC the Kp index had reached active levels. Minor then major storm levels were subsequently observed at 08/0718 UTC and 08/0834 UTC respectively.

The major storm conditions persisted through 08/1200 UTC, after which conditions returned to mostly active levels. Major storms were again observed during the first two synoptic periods on 09 October, followed by a minor storm period and an active period. Late on the 9th, a coronal hole high speed stream became geoeffective bringing geomagnetic activity to minor storm level for the final period of the day. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft rose from about 380 km/s to near 560 km/s during the latter half of the day. The geomagnetic field activity then declined and, with the exception of one active period on the 12th, remained at quiet to unsettled levels. By the 13th, another coronal hole high speed stream became geoeffective. It was preceded by a corotating interaction region and a solar sector boundary change. This led to active conditions by 13/0450 UTC and minor storm conditons by 13/0819 UTC. Minor storm levels persisted until 13/2100 UTC before briefly decreasing to unsettled levels for the final period of the 13th. The 14th began with minor storm conditions, after which activity ranged from quiet to active levels.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
15 October - 10 November 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a slight chance for moderate activity through 21 October when Region 1589 rotates around the west limb. Generally low levels of activity are then expected to persist through 03 November, after which there is a slight chance for moderate activity as old Region 1589 returns.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 13 October through 18 October and again from 05-10 November. Recurrent coronal hole high speed streams are responsible for both periods of high flux.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels for the majority of the period. The two exceptions are 15-19 October and 08-10 November when recurrent coronal hole high speed streams are expected to bring active levels with a slight chance for minor storm levels.

2023. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 15 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-288 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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AMSAT NEWS SERVICE

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Please send any amateur satellite news or reports to:

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2012 AMSAT Space Symposium in Orlando Just Weeks Away

This is a reminder that the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th at the Holiday Inn Hotel at Orlando-International Airport.

See the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration:

http://store.amsat.org/catalog/index.php?cPath=27

Symposium Registration including Proceedings

Starting September 24, 2012: $ 50.00At the Door: $ 55.00

Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page. The Symposium Schedule web page has been updated with links to findmore information about the planned activities.

IMPORTANT message for all those planning to attend the special tour to the Orlando Science Museum during the AMSAT Space Symposium in Orlando, FL on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2012.

For those planning to attend the special Star Wars Exhibit, you must contact Martha at AMSAT, to pay for your ticket in advance. Martha can be reached at 888-322-6728 or 301-589-6062).This must be done no later than Thursday, October 17 to reserve your spot for the tour.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

Symposium Trip to the Orlando Science Center - Sunday, 28 October 2012

Leave the hotel at 9:00am (transportation is provided)Arrive at OSC at 9:45am (non-members parking: $5/vehicle)Special backstage tour at 10:00am (should last 45 min. - our AMSAT liaison will meet us in lobby)From 10:45am until 11:30am - visit the various Center exhibitsThose who pre-paid for the Star Wars Exhibit enter the exhibit as a group at 11:30am (tkts cost $27/person - PRE-PAYMENT IS REQUIRED - SEE NOTE BELOWView Exhibit from 11:30am until 1:00pmLunch at local restaurant from 1:15pm to 2:15pmLeave restaurant at 2:15pmArrive back by 3:00pm

The Star Wars Exhibit is a limited engagement feature and is expected to draw large crowds. In order to guarantee our visit stays on schedule, the Center has arranged for AMSAT to enter the exhibit as a single group at 11:30am.

If you choose to visit this exhibit, you MUST contact Martha at AMSAT, and pay for your ticket in advance. Martha can be reached at 888-322-6728 or 301-589-6062). This must be done no later than Thursday, October 17 to reserve your spot for the tour. Otherwise, you will not be guaranteed a spot in the 11:30 tour with the rest of the

members. Total cost per person will be $27.00. Please note that this fee also covers general admission to OSC and all exhibits, including the IMAX theater. When you arrive the tickets will be with your tour guide.

Those that choose not to attend the Star Wars Exhibit may have the opportunity of attending a feature in the IMAX Theater, providing the show

times coincide with our time schedule during the visit. Admission to the IMAX Theater is covered under your initial admission fee. Admission fee to OSC will be $17.00 for those not attending the Star Wars Exhibit and will be paid at the door.

For those managing afternoon plane departures, transportation back to the hotel will be provided by AMSAT volunteers at 11:30am, but only if needed.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

National Scouting Museum to Celebrate JOTA With ARISS Contact

The weekend of October 20-21, 2012 is Scouting's 55th Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA). JOTA is a World Scouting event that bridges Scouts all over the world via amateur radio.

The official hours are from Saturday at 00:00 hours local time to Sunday 24:00. JOTA is not a contest but idea is to contact as many stations as possible during the weekend. So you will hear Scouting stations calling "CQ Jamboree," or answering the calls. All amateur radio operators are invited to participate. An even better idea is to invite Scouts to your station or club to take part in JOTA.

JOTA will be the main event at the National Scouting Museum. Numerous amateur radio stations will be set up throughout the Museum, allowing for both local and global communication by various modes.

There will also be many other fun and educational activities; such as hidden transmitter hunts, electronic project assembly, solar telescopes, demonstrations of satellite communications, and much more throughout the day

The JOTA at the National Scouting Museum, Irving, Texas ARISS contact time has now been confirmed. Contact will begin at 18:30:30Z via telebridge station VK6MJ in Australia. If you cannot join us at the Museum, you are invited to listen in to the contact via the 146.88 Dallas Amateur Radio Club repeater, via the Echolink "AMSAT" conference bridge or on UStream via URL: http://www.ustream.tv/channel/dallasjota.

Lets light up the birds this JOTA weekend with Scout to Scout contacts. Find a club or scouting organization near you that is running a JOTA station and ask them if you can participate. Many of them have never experienced a satellite radio contact and you will hook 'em.

For a list of BSA registered JOTA stations, please check out the growing list at:

http://www.scouting.org/jota/registered_stations.aspx

You can download the full spreadsheet there as well which has contact information for the local organizer who have

registered their events. Outside the US contact your local Scouting agency and find out how you can participate.

JOTA is a great way to get out of the ham shack and demonstrate the thrill of Amateur Radio Satellites to an eager audience.

Boy Scouts of America JOTA Page:

http://www.scouting.org/jota.aspx

World Scouting Organization JOTA Page:

http://www.scout.org/en/information_events/events/jota

ARRL JOTA Page:

http://www.arrl.org/jamboree-on-the-air-jota

National Scouting Museum JOTA Page:

http://bsamuseum.org/Programs/JOTA%202012.aspx

[ANS thanks the Boy Scouts of America, the National Museum of Scouting, the World Scouting Organization, and the ARRL for the above information]

Interorbital Offers Low Cost Launch to LEO for 40kg of CubeSats

The October, 2012 issue of the on-line SatMagazine published an article discussing Interorbital Systems' preparations to launch their Neptune 5 and Neptune 7 rockets. Interorbital, based in Mojave, California, develops and manufactures low-cost, state-of-the-art orbital launch vehicles and satellites for private, commercial, governmental, academic, arts, and military applications.

They also have available the $8,000 Personal Satellite Kit and Launch Program for universities, private citizens, military, and government entities throughout the world to develop TubeSats. There are details of the TubeSat and CubeSat kits on their web page. See:
http://www.interorbital.com/

Two flights of the Neptune 5 launch system are planned to accommodate the 9 CubeSats and 23 TubeSats. Interorbital's Neptune 7 launch has already booked 10 CubeSats and 10 TubeSats to be delivered to low Earth orbit.

The Neptune 7 capable of lifting approximately 40kg to LEO - or 30 small TubeSats and CubeSats per launch. The first launch is sold out and the second is rapidly closing.

Read all of Interorbital's Article, "A Builder's Guide To Inexpensive Space Access" By Randa Relich Milliron, CEO, Interorbital Systems on page 60 of the October, 2012 SatMagazine which can be downloaded for free at:
http://www.satmagazine.com/2012/SM_Oct2012.pdf

Also in this issue of SatMagazine are articles about the Aeneas CubeSat, Satellite Networks For Education, and the Firefly CubeSat.

AMSAT-UK has links to SatMagazine at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11009

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK, SatMagazine, and Interorbital Systems for the above information]

Viet Nam F-1 Satellite Team Requests Hams Continue to Listen

An article published on the AMSAT-UK web reports that the FSpace team of young engineers and students at the FPT University in Viet Nam are requesting Amateur Radio operators continue to listen for their F-1 CubeSat, callsign XV1VN which was deployed from the International Space Station on October 4 but not heard on Earth.

Team Lead, Thu Trong Vu XV9AA provided this update on October 7, "So far the team has received several mixed reports about F-1 status, there is no definite conclusion yet. We will continue to collect information and analyze the situation, this afternoon we will hold a team meeting to discuss different situations that may happen with the little satellite up there. Please continue to help us listening for F-1 on 437.485 in daylight and 145.980 in the dark, thank you!"

F-1 was expected to begin transmitting beacon alternatively on its main and backup channels 30 minutes after deployment.

F-1 frequencies:

145.980 MHz: main channel, 1.0W RF output, FM, AFSK 1200bps, one telemetry packet every 30 seconds, operates in the dark by default (but can be commanded later to operate in sunlight as well)437.485 MHz: backup channel, 0.2W RF output, FM, PWM CW beacon, each beacon transmission lasts about 20 seconds then 60 seconds delay, only operates in sunlight

More information and guide to download F-1 telemetry decoder can be found at http://fspace.edu.vn/?page_id=27. Decoded data can be submitted to us via the telemetry decoder or by sending directly to: thuvt@fpt.edu.vn. Audio recordings are highly appreciated.

Read the full article at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=10480

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK and the F-1 CubeSat Team for the above information]

RSGB, AMSAT-UK, and BATC Publish Joint Response to British OFCOM

RSGB, AMSAT-UK, and BATC have provided a joint Amateur Radio response to a July, 2012 Ofcom consultation document calling for input regarding, "VHF Spectrum Release in the range 143 MHz to 156 MHz".

The response notes the, "unprecedented opportunity for VHF innovation and growth based on an allocation to amateur radio at 146 - 148 MHz within the UK for digital TV, audio, and other evolving spectrum efficient data applications."

Also included in the response is a call to, "Provide for the increasing use of the existing 144-146 MHz allocation for amateur satellite activities by the CubeSat and similar spacecraft being developed by UK University student teams in collaboration with radio amateurs.

It was noted that spectrum allocation at 146 - 148 MHz would allow for, "Use of equipment harmonised for amateur use in ITU Regions 2 and 3 where 146-148 MHz is already a ITU Primary allocation to the Amateur

service."

The Amateur Radio response also notes this allocation to the Amateur service provides, "Room for highly innovative infrastructure-free narrowband DATV and other new applications that we have not been able to deploy in restricted secondary bands such as 70 MHz or 423 MHz, 1296 MHz.

The full document is available on-line at the RSGB Web:

http://tinyurl.com/Amateur-Joint-Response

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK, RSGB, and BATC for the above information]

ARISS Status - 9 October 2012

1. Izmir, Turkey School Hosts ARISS Contact

On Friday, October 5, students from Izmir SEV Primary School in Turkey participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB via station K6DUE in Greenbelt, Maryland. Williams answered all 20 questions posed to her during the event which drew an audience of over 800 students and was heard all over Turkey. The contact highlighted a science curriculum which included other NASA activities such as First Lego League Robotic Teams and Destination Imagination Teams.

2. Sunita Williams Chats with Malaysian Students

Sekolah Kebangsaan students in Putrajaya, Malaysia spoke with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB aboard the ISS through an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Sunday, October 7. The school was invited to participate in the contact by the National Space Agency Satellite Ground Station, 9M2RPN, in conjunction with the "Prime Minister's National Space Challenge Trophy 2012," an annual event since 2007 when the Malaysian astronaut, Dr. Sheikh Muszaphar Shukor, flew to the ISS.

3. ARISS Educator Interviewed

Gladys Muñoz, a teacher at the Marcelino Canino Canino Middle School in Puerto Rico, was interviewed for a blog by Mr. Anthony Salcito, vice president for education Microsoft Worldwide Enterprises. This took place during her stay in Lima, Peru for Microsoft's Latin America Forum for Innovative Education where she presented a summary of some of her school's aerospace education projects. The school participated in its own ARISS contact on September 12, 2012. See:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fte3V...ure=plpp_video

4. Astronaut Training Status

Luca Parmitano, KF5KDP has been scheduled for a preflight session on October 17. He is slated to fly with the Expedition 36 crew in May 2013.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

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HamRadioNow: An Interview with Steve Mendelsohn W2ML (SK)

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 06:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364752-HamRadioNow-An-Interview-with-Steve-Mendelsohn-W2ML-(SK)&goto=newpost

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Special Edition: Steve Mendelsohn W2ML (SK)

Steve Mendelsohn W2ML, who passed away earlier this year, was an extremely active,

enthusiastic ham. Among other things, he was an ARRL Vice-President and

ran the ham radio communications for the New York Marathon. Professionally he was a

broadcast engineer for CBS and ABC, and did frequency coordination for the NFL.

Last year, Steve was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Knowing that Steve had a

short time to live, and a vibrant story to tell, Newsline's Bill Pasternack WA6ITF

interviewed him at the 2011 Pacificon hamfest.

HamRadioNow is honored to present that interview.

If you knew Steve - and many hams did - you may yet learn a few things you didn't know.

If you didn't, then take this rare opportunity to hear the story of a ham's ham.

Watch this special episode at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

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Video Oral History Of The Life And Career Of Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML - SK.

Posted: 13 Oct 2012 11:13 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364726-Video-Oral-History-Of-The-Life-And-Career-Of-Steve-Mendelsohn-W2ML-SK&goto=newpost

For those of you who were friends or acquaintences of the late Steve Mendelsohn, WA2DHF/W2ML, here is a short video oral history that I just completed with the assistance of Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, of ARVN/HamRadioNow. It was recorded a year ago today at Pacificon 2011 in Santa Clara CA. Steve, who created the communications network for the ING New York City Marathon became a Silent Key on May 23, 2012 from complications to Pancreatic Cancer.

Link: http://arvideonews.com/hrn/HRN_Special_Edition_001-W2ML.html

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LOG4OM Logging Program release

Posted: 11 Oct 2012 05:51 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364434-LOG4OM-Logging-Program-release&goto=newpost

A new release of the free LOG4OM logging software will be available for download on Sunday 14th October to coincide with the LOG4OM presentation at the RSGB Convention.

This release has many added features particularly aimed at the DX community and the casual ham.

The new release version 1.11 and the updated user manual will be available from the LOG4OM web site http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/log4om-en/ at about 12.00 Hrs GMT

Bring your memory stick (A 1gb stick will do because the program is only 17mb) to the RSGB Convention and I will load it with the latest version of LOG4OM and of course there is no charge for this free software.

The LOG4OM logging program can be also run from a memory stick or SD card for complete portability, so no need to take that heavy laptop on your travels just plug into the nearest PC, contact G4POP for details.

Terry G4POP

2024. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 15 October 2012

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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VI6ARG30

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 10:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364840-VI6ARG30&goto=newpost

Hi all The peel Amateur Radio Group in VK6 will be active as VI6ARG30 To celebrate the clubs 30th birthday from the 5/11/12-18/11/12 a special QSL card will be issued for this event.We look forward to working as many stations as possible.Further in will be on QRZ.COM under the above call.

Cheers

Gavin VK6VKS

2025. eHam.net News for Monday 15 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-15 22:31:21 UTC
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eHam.net News

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TARS is Always Prepared for Emergency Situations:

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 05:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29148

September was National Preparedness Month, the time for reminding the public about preparing for unexpected emergencies. During this time, amateur radio operators participated in activities and projects to demonstrate the part that they play in helping the community when disaster strikes. The Tipton County Radio Society is always prepared to handle emergency communications for the community. TARS participated at the Covington Heritage Festival on Sept. 22. The booth theme this year was "When Disaster Strikes: Who You Gonna Call?" They operated under a mock disaster situation without utilities and demonstrated radio communications and solar oven cooking. Amateur radio -- commonly referred to as ham radio -- helps people communicate with one another by voice, computer and code over vast distances. Most people are unaware of the service that these quiet heroes provide during emergencies. During a disaster, it's possible that normal forms of communication with the outside world may be interrupted. Land-line telephone facilities may become unusable because physical wires or poles are down. Cell phone facilities may be unusable because cell towers are down, cell sites are destroyed or just because too many people are trying to use the system. Even emergency operating centers may be out of commission if their buildings or antennas have been damaged.

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Doha To Host Amateur Radio Festival:

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 05:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29147

DOHA: The city will host the Qatar international festival for amateur radio in December. This was decided during a meeting between H E Abdullah bin Hamad Al Attiyah, Chairman of the Administrative Control and Transparency Authority, who is also chairperson of the board of directors of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS) with vice-chairman of the US Amateur Radio Society yesterday. This festival will include a contest between amateur radios from all over the world. The event dubbed the first of its kind in Middle East will take place in conjunction with the National Day celebrations. About 100 amateur radios from across the globe will be invited to the festival and the competition, besides a host of officials and experts.

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Video: The Life and Career of W2ML:

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http://www.eham.net/articles/29144

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2026. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-061E - Tropical Storm Rafael predicted to effectNova Scotia and Newfoundland

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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RAC Bulletin 2012-061E - Tropical Storm Rafael predicted to effect
Nova Scotia and Newfoundland
2012-10-14

While it is too early to predict specific areas that may be effected,
the Canadian Hurricane Centre will begin 6 hour updates beginning in
the morning. Now north of Puerto Rico, Rafael is tracking on a course
that will see a swath pattern from just east of Cape Breton to well
out to sea in the Grand Banks south of Newfoundland with the centre
over the Avalon Peninsula overnight Wednesday and into Thursday.

During this time operators in the effected area are encouraged to keep
the IARU Centre of Activity (COA) frequencies clear and exercise a
heightened level of awareness while monitoring VHF repeaters in the
event your assistance is required. Your usual cooperation is
anticipated and appreciated.

73,

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

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IARU Emergency Centre of Activity frequencies: 3750 khz, 3985 khz,
7060 khz, 7240 khz, 7275 khz, 14300 khz, 18160 khz, 21360 khz.

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Canadian Hurricane Centre English <
http://www.ec.gc.ca/ouragans-hurricanes/default.asp?lang= >
Canadian Hurricane Centre French <
http://www.ec.gc.ca/ouragans-hurricanes/default.asp?lang= >

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2027. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 15 October 2012

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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Be Nice To The Moon. Stop Writing On It - North Country Public Radio

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 09:21 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG93zYxSCoDzXGViueXfEJXqFmX3Q&url=http://www.northcountrypublicradio.org/news/npr/162740795/be-nice-to-the-moon-stop-writing-on-it

Be Nice To The Moon. Stop Writing On It
North Country Public Radio
All over the world, ham radio operators and Morse code enthusiasts beam dot, dash messages straight at the moon, then wait 2.7 seconds for the signal to bounce back. They call these "E.M.E." transmissions, which stands for "Earth-Moon-Earth" or – more ...

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100 radio amateurs to attend Doha festival - Gulf Times

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Gulf Times
100 radio amateurs to attend Doha festival
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HE Abdullah bin Hamad al-Attiyah, Chairman of the Administrative Control and Transparency Authority and chairman of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS), met general chairman of the US-based Dayton Amateur Radio Association, Michael Kalter, and ...

2028. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 16 October 2012

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Qatar to host Ham Radio Festival

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Qatar will host an international festival for radio amateurs in Doha to coincide with the National Day festivities

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Successful PACIFICON ISS contact

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An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held with youth attending the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Pacific Division annual convention, PACIFICON in Santa Clara, California on Saturday, October 13

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Balloon and Rocket Radio Hams

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In this episode Gary KN4AQ interviews Bill Brown WB8ELK who sends balloons carrying ham radio to the edge of space and David Stephenson KJ4OKJ who sent rockets deep into space (not by himself... but with a little outfit called NASA)

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14 year old radio ham gets digital DXCC

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0_XnLCFKg34/14_year_old_radio_ham_gets_digital_dxcc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL report that 14 year old radio amateur Tom Jose VU3TMO has just achieved his Digital DXCC award

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Assembling a Nanosatellite

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0mHCWQLbqn0/assembling_a_nanosatellite.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video students from the Univeristy of Manitoba show what's involved
in assembling an amateur radio Nanosatellite

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Magnetic Loop Antenna controlled by Arduino

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fArw1Rucsvc/magnetic_loop_antenna_controlled_by_arduino.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video presents a Magnetic Loop antenna controlled by an Arduino

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Carrickfergus Club promote Amateur Radio

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The Newtownabbey Times reports on the Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group
(CARG)

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Nominations sought for prestigious award

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Nominations are being invited by the German national radio society, DARC,
for the prestigious Horkheimer Prize

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Phonetic alphabet sheet uses dyslexic font

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B5JRMaZ-s0Y/phonetic_alphabet_sheet_uses_dyslexic_font.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Geoff 2E0BVQ has a phonetic alphabet sheet that uses a font developed
especially to assist dyslexic readers

2029. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 16 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-16 16:29:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5171cf908bff504cc2fa86d@google.com>
Source record: 1796
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Echolink stations during 2012 JOTA

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 02:17 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364910-Echolink-stations-during-2012-JOTA&goto=newpost

If your club or organization will be operating an Echolink station for this years JOTA event please let us know. Include which Scout group(s) you will be participating with and what Echolink node you will be operating.

A few Boy Scout JOTA stations will be using our 146.670(-) KD0EFC-R repeater running Echolink node 754822 during the 20th and 21th of October 2012. These Scouts will be located at Camp Cedars and Camp Eagle near Fremont Nebraska USA. Please feel free to drop by and call CQ jamboree during the 2012 JOTA event.

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2030. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 16 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-16 16:38:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c94c8b3dd204cc2fc8d9@google.com>
Source record: 1797
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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QRZ Feature Update - Callsign Prefix Calculator

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 05:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364932-QRZ-Feature-Update-Callsign-Prefix-Calculator&goto=newpost

We're proud to announce a new feature, our Callsign Prefix Calculator

In conjunction with cleaning up our DXCC Entity database, I created a function whereby you can plug in ANY callsign (whether or not we have it on file), and the system will tell you which DXCC country it belongs to.

It's not perfect, but that's because the world's assignment of callsigns follows many odd patterns and some defy description. On the other hand, nearly all common prefixes can be determined.

Check it out as a new addition to our DX Atlas page - near the bottom.

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AmateurLogic.TV 45: 7th Anniversary Special & HF Station Giveaway

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 11:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364891-AmateurLogic-TV-45-7th-Anniversary-Special-amp-HF-Station-Giveaway&goto=newpost

AmateurLogic.TV Episode 45 is now available for download.

AmateurLogic.TV is celebrating our 7th Anniversary. Join us for highlights and the backstory on some of our favorite scenes. We found you can□t fit 7 years into a 1 hour show, so this is part 1. Part 2 is later this month.

To our loyal viewers, here is a chance to win a FREE complete HF Amateur Radio Station. Watch the show for complete details.

50:01 of AmateurLogic history.

Now in HD where available!

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K6H - Special Event Radio Station FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 09:21 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364868-K6H-Special-Event-Radio-Station--FOR-IMMEDIATE-RELEASE&goto=newpost

The Southern California based PAPA Repeater System will be holding a ham radio special event!

Under the call sign K6H, Ham Radio Celebrates Hollywood will be held on Sunday, October 28th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (1600Z 2000Z) and emanate from the Stage 9 of the CBS Studio Center facility in Studio City, California.

Historic Stage 9 is the home of ABC TVs Last Man Standing, starring Tim Allen. Seinfeld, Spin City, According To Jim, Cane, The Cleaner and The Defenders are among the shows that have been shot on the stage.

Several of the shows licensed operators will be on hand to host the PAPA members and a number of paths will be available to contact the stage including HF, VHF, UHF, DSTAR, Echolink and IRLP.

A schedule of operating times and frequencies will be published on the PAPA website. Take a break from contesting, come over and say hi.

http://www.papasys.com/

To facilitate contacts during the event, operators will BLOG in real-time on the KA0XTT Facebook page (http://www.facebook.com/KA0XTT) and on the @NN6JA on Twitter page.

The set will also be monitoring the BEARS (ABC/Disney) interconnected repeater system, which links W2ABC (in Manhattan), WD4WDW (in Orlando Florida) and KA6AJE (in the Los Angeles area). The system can be reached on Echolink via WD4WDW-R.

We are hoping other organizations will link in to make this a national event.

A special, limited edition QSL card will be issued to all confirmed contacts.

Quote:

Clarification:

Quote:

The DARI / BEARS in Los Angeles is WB6AJE. The interconnect is brought to you by DARI, the Disney Amateur Radio Interconnect, and is jointly administered by BEARS & DEARS.

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Webinar - CQ WW Update 2012 With New Contest Director K5ZD

Posted: 14 Oct 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?364812-Webinar-CQ-WW-Update-2012-With-New-Contest-Director-K5ZD&goto=newpost

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (www.WWROF.org) is please to provide the following Webinar.

Title: CQ WW Update 2012

The new CQ WW DX Contest Director Randy Thompson, K5ZD, will provide an update on the status of the contest including new rules for 2012, log entry tips, fair play, and various other topics of interest. Questions will be taken following the presentation.

Anyone who plans to operate the CQ WW Contest should attend.

Date: Sunday, October 21

Time: 19:00 UTC

Registration(free): https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/415191514

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Ken K4ZW

2031. [DXNL] DXNL 1802 (Oct 17, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-16 20:31:08 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <120371828.20121016181258@dxhf.darc.de>
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5X, UGANDA
Nick,G3RWF, who was expected to be active as 5X1NH from Uganda this
week has postponed his trip without any reason given.

6W, SENEGAL
Vladimir,RK4FF, announced to be QRV again as 6V7S from the rental shack
Le Calao from Oct 22 until Nov 3. No information about a participation
in the WWDX SSB Contest (Oct 27/28). QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.le-calao.com/A/residence_A.htm

9J, ZAMBIA
Gert,ZS6AYU, will be active as 9J2GR working holiday style from the
lodge "Mama Out of Africa" at the Zambezi river near Livingstone.
Activities will be in CW on 40m-10m running 100 watts into a R7000
vertical from Oct 19-22. His next destination will be Zimbabwe.
QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.safarinow.com/go/MamaOutofAfrica

9M2, WESTERN MALAYSIA
Mirek,VK6DXI, will be QRV as 9M8DX/2 from Kuala Lumpur during his
spare time between Oct 15 and Nov 3. QSL via SP5UAF (B).

CP, BOLIVIA
Peter,DF7NX, has travelled from Peru to Bolivia and wants to show up
on the bands as CP8/DF7NX starting on Oct 19. QSL via homecall.

EA9, CEUTA
Mek,EA9/SP7VC, will be QRV from Ceuta in holiday style from Oct 22-28.
Operation will be on 160m-10m in SSB, including the CQWW SSB Contest as
Single Op/All Band/High Power. Equipment consists of: IC-746, HEX beam
by SP7IDX, R7000 vertical, Inv L for 160m and 80m, K9AY for receiving.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct or LoTW.

EI, IRELAND, EU-115
Olivier,ON4EI, will once again be QRV as EI8GQB and EI1A from Oct 21-30
using 100 % green energy from a wind/solar hybrid system at his Caravan
He will join the WWDX SSB Contest as EI1A in the SO2R category.
More information is available at QRZ.com. QSL via homecall.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA
Alains,F4GYP, trip to the South Pacific as FO/F4GYP is scheduled from
Oct 19 until Nov 6 as follows:
Tahiti (OC-046, DIFO FO-002, WLOTA 0885)
Mehetia (OC-046, DIFO FO-009),
Moorea (OC-046, DIFO FO-010, WLOTA 0465)
Raiatea (OC-067, DIFO FO-012, WLOTA 1977) (maybe Oct 27/28)
He will use the special callsign TX4FO from Ilot Motu Nono (OC-046,
Loc BH52ig) near Tahiti. Alain works in SSB on 40m, 20m and maybe 10m.
QSL via homecall.

FY, FRENCH GUYANA
Rich,N6KT (ex HC8N), will activate the special event callsign TO2A from
Kourou from Oct 20-30. He also plans to join the WWDX SSB Contest.
QSL via KU9C.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club (G4TTF, FISTS #6471) will be
QRV with some scouts using the special callsign GB1FDS during the
JOTA weekend (Oct 20/21). QSL via bureau or direct to G0GFG.

GU, GUERNSEY, EU-114
Members of the Guernsey Amateur Radio Society and the Bailiwick of
Guernsey RAYNET group plan to activate the special event station GB2JTA
on all bands from Vale on Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA 0013, Loc IN89rl)
during the 55th Jamboree On The Air. QSL via bureau.

HA, HUNGARY
The HA-IPA-team celebrates the 20th anniversary of the Hungarian IPA
section by activating the special callsign HG20IPA in CW, SSB and
digital modes on 160m-6m until Nov 30. They plan to take part in the
upcoming IPA Radio Club Contest as well. All QSOs also count for the
HA IPARC award. QSL via HA3JB. See also: http://www.ha3jb.com

J3, GRENADA, NA-024
Terry,KS5Z, s planning a one week stay on Grenada with Harry,AC8G, for
the WWDX SSB Contest. They will receive their callsign upon arrival on
the island on Oct 22.

JA, JAPAN
The special event station 8J2ARDF will be activated during the "All
Japan ARDF Athletic Meet" from Oct 20 until Nov 25. QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8J3IPA celebrates the 50th anniversary of the
Japanese IPA section until Dec 31. They are working in CW/SSB/RTTY on
HF and 6m. 8J3IPA will join the IPA Contest as multi/multi.
QSL via bureau.

ON, BELGIUM
The special event station ON44CLM remembers the liberation of Knokke
until Nov 15. QSL via ON3AIM.

P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA
Axel,DL6KVA, Hans-Peter,HB9BXE, Eddy,K5WQG, Derek,G3KHZ (P29NI), and
Hans,SM6CVX (P29VCX), are planning an IOTA DXpedition:
Oct 20-24 Emirau Island (OC-103) as P29VCX
Oct 27-31 Simberi Island (OC-099) as P29NI
Nov 2-4 Lihir Island (OC-069) Call unknown
The team is flying home on Nov 6 without Hans who plans to activate
two other island groups as well:
Nov 6-9 Buka Island (OC-135) as P29VCX
Nov 9-12 Manu Island (OC-025) as P29VCX
See also: http://p29ni.yolasite.com

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
Helmut,DF7ZS, plans to join the Worked All Germany Contest (WAG) on
Oct 20/21 as P40Z. He will work on 17m and 12m before and after the WAG
QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.df7zs.de

SU, EGYPT
The Egyptian Radio Amateur Society for Development (ERASD) and the
Arab Scout Region will join the JOTA Contest with the special callsign
SU55J from Oct 18-22. They are planning many amatuer radio activities
and an interesting touristic program in Kairo plus a surprise.
QSL fuer SU55J via SM5AQD, unfortunately only direct.
See: http://www.facebook.com/events/522556857770399/?context=create

UK, UZBEKISTAN
Takhir,UK/UA1ZEY, is working on HF from Samarkand until Nov 1.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

V3, BELIZE
Rich,N0HJZ, will be QRV as V31MW from Placencia in the Stan Creek
district from Oct 21-30. He will work in CW on the WARC bands before
and after the WWDX SSB Contest (SOABHP).
QSL via homecall, direct preferred, but via bureau is ok as well.

VQ9, CAHGOS ARCHIPELAGO, AF-006
Jim,VQ9JC, will use another special prefix callsign VQ92JC from Oct 20
until Nov 4. He will be QRV as much as possible between 1200-1600 UTC.
This is the 6th consecutive year that he has been issued a unique
prefix. The only drawback is that he is still operating Field Day style
from a recreational park running 100 watt from a FT-857 into a dipole
10m high. He will join the upcoming WWDX SSB Contest. He has made a lot
of calls and CQs over the last several months but only very few ops
have answered him due to the bad conditions. He is scheduled to return
to the US after that. QSL via ND9M.

XV, VIETNAM
Yasu,JL7XBN, is planning a 10m FM DXpedition from Oct 19-22. He will
sign XV29FM from Vung Tau in SSB, PSK, JT65A and RTTY on 20m/15m/10m.

QSLs to JA will be sent automatically, all others have to send their
cards only direct unfortunately including SAE + 1 IRC/2 USD or 2 EUR.
QSLs can be picked up also at the Ham-Fair 2013 in Tokyo.
QSLs via JG1DKJ (SSB), JL7XBN (digital modes).

YN, NICARAGUA
Jeff,N6GQ, will sign YN2AA from Grenada (Loc EK71au) working in all
modes on 160m-6m from Oct 23-29. He may try also 6m EME in JT65.
He plans to join the WWDX SSB Contest as SOAB/HP.
QSL via LoTW or direct via NN3W.

Z2, ZIMBABWE
Gert,ZS6AYU, will be QRV in holiday style signing Z21GF in CW on 40-10m
from the Victoria Falls running 400 watts into a R7000 vertical from
Oct 22-25. QSL via homecall.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND, AF-003
Marko,N5ZO (ZD8O), will stay on Ascension Island from Oct 18-30 and
plans to take part in the WWDX SSB Contest (SOAB). QSL via OH0XX.

JOTA: The Jamboree on the Air is an annual event in which half a million
Scouts and Guides all over the world make contact with each other by
means of amateur radio. The 55th edition will take place on Oct 20/21.
Specific "contest-free frequencies" for 80m/40m/20m/15m/10m have been
agreed with the organizers of the concurrent WAG Contest in order to
avoid interference between the two events.
See also: http://www.scout.org/en/information_events/events/jota

OP wanted: There is still an operator wanted for a DXpedition to KH8 in
March 2013. See also: http://n6mw.jimdo.com

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Oct 20/21 JARTS WW RTTY CONTEST
Oct 20/21 Worked ALL Germany Contest (WAG)
Oct 21 Asia Pacific Sprint Contest
Oct 21 ON Contest 2m
Oct 27/28 CQWW DX SSB Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-014, CT3, Madeira Archipalego: Peter,CT9/DH4JQ, Marion,CT9/DF4UM,
Marco,CT9/DJ5KW, Karlfried,CT9/DL1EK, and Leo,CT9/DK8VC, will be active
from Santana, Ilha da Madeira (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, DPRN
FF-101, WFF CTFF-030, WLOTA 0053) between Oct 21 and Nov 2. This will
include a Multi-Op entry in the WWDX SSB Contest using the call CR3L.

QSLs via homecalls. QSL for CR3L via DJ6QT.

AF-024, S7, Inner Islands: Luca,I5IHE (S79LC), Danio,I5OYY (S79YY), and
Simone,IK5RUN (S79UN), are going to hit the airwaves in holiday style
from Praslin Island (WLOTA 2862, ARLHS SEY-006, LOC LI75vp) between
Oct 20 and Nov 4. Activities will take place in CW, SSB and RTTY on
80m-10m. QSLs direct via homecalls. The log will be uploaded to LoTW
within six months. See also: http://www.ik5run.it/s79.html

AS-012, JA6, Amakusa archipelago (incl. Kami, Naga, Shimo...): Take,JA6CNH,
and Yasuro,JF6XQJ, plan to work from Genkai Island from Oct 19-21.

AS-075, XX9, Macau group: Francisco,EA7FTR (XX9TFR), Eugene,EA5HPX (XX9TPX),
Jose,EB5BBM (XX9TBM), and David,EB7DX (XX9TEX), will be QRV from the
Pousada de Coloane Hotel on Coloane Island (LOC OL62SC) from Oct 18-29.
They will work with two stations focusing on stations from NA and EU.
Their preferred frequencies are:
CW: 1823, 3523, 7023, 10103, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24893, 28023 kHz
SSB: 1825, 3780, 7065/7160, 14145, 18145, 21295, 28495 kHz
RTTY: 7035, 10140, 18100, 21080, 24921, 28080 kHz
QSLs for all calls direct via EA7FTR. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.
See also: http://adxg.org/macau

EU-004, EA6, Balearic Islands: Adrian,AA5UK, is going to visit the island of
Ibiza (DIE E-023, MIA MB-003, WLOTA 0958) from Oct 20-31 and plans to
work holiday style as EA6/AA5UK in SSB, PSK31 and RTTY on 80m-10m.
He plans to work much in RTTY since EA6 is very rare in this mode.
Listen for him also in the WWDX SSB. QSL via AA5UK (buro/direct/LoTW).

EU-010, GM/MM, Outer Hebrides: Steve,G0MTD, Paul,M1PAF, Mark,M0WCR, and
Glyn,M0XUH, will be QRV as MS0WRC from South Uist (Outer Hebrides)
only in SSB on the HF bands from Oct 20-27. QSL via G0MTD.
See also: http://www.mx0wrc.org/dxpeditions/south-uist-2012

EU-074, F, Bretagne (Cotes-d'Armor Centre) Region group: Samuel,F5UPO (CW),
Luis,F5THW (PSK), Didier,F5IHZ (RTTY), and Juan,F5IRC (SSB and CW),
will be QRV as TM5BRT from Brehat Island (Loc IN88lu, FFF-1194) from
Oct 19-21. QSL via F5THW (bureau/direct).

NA-002, VP5, Caicos Islands: Frank,WA2VYA, Tony,K4QE, and Jack,N2VW, are
handing out IOTA points from the Turks and Caicos Islands (Loc FL31vs)
from Oct 23-30. They will join the WWDX SSB Contest as VP5T but will
be active also as VP5/homecalls before and after the contest.
QSL for VP5T via N2VW (bureau/direct).
QSL routes for the individual calls can be found on QRZ.com.

NA-021, 8P, Barbados: Peter,W0SA, plans to live on Barbados for some time
and wants to activate his calls 8P9NX and 8P0P on the HF bands
starting from Oct 23. QSLs via W3HNK (d).

NA-063, CY0, Sable Island: Murray,WA4DAN/CY0, and Ron,AA4VK/CY0, are working
from Sable Island (CIsA NS004/WFF CYFF-001/WLOTA 0758) from Oct 22-31.
They are working with low power and simple antennas on all bands with

focus on 10m, 12m and 15m. QSLs via homecalls (d). An OQRS can be found
on their website: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

NA-103, VP2M, Montserrat: George,K2DM (VP2MDG), Dave,G3NKC (VP2MKC),
Martin,G4XUM (VP2MXU), and Stewart,GM4AFF (VP2MAF), will be QRV from
Gingerbread Hill, St. Peters Parish, Montserrat (WLOTA 1475/Loc FK86vs)
from Oct 23-30. They will sign VP2MDG during the WWDX SSB Contest.
They will be active in all modes on all HF bands before and after the
contest. QSL for VP2MKC and VP2MXU via G3NKC (bureau/direct).
All other QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct).

NA-112, W4, North Carolina State West (Brunswick to Carteret County) group:
Wayne,K9YNF, is planning his 5th IOTA DXpedition to Bogue Banks
(Emerald Isle, USi NC010S) from Oct 21-26. Listen for Wayne as K9YNF/4
on following frequencies: SSB 14260 and 18128 kHz; PSK31 14070.15 kHz
and 7035 kHz. QSL via K9YNF (bureau/direct).

OC-045, KH8, Tutuila Island: Anci,KH8/JA2ZL, plans to show up from Pago Pago
on Tutuila (USi AS007S/WLOTA 4385) from Oct 23-29. He will be QRV using
his TS-480HX and Hex-Beam in SSB/CW/RTTY on 80m-10m. QSL via JA2ZL.

OC-047, H44, Solomon Islands: Bernhard,DL2GAC, is working again as H44MS
only in SSB on 80m-6m from Guadalcanal (WLOTA 0086, Loc RI00aj) between
Oct 17 and Dec 10. QSL via DL2GAC (bureau/direct).

OC-086, KH0, Northern Mariana Islands: Kit,JA1NVF, Kowata,JF7ELG,
Miho,JJ2VLY, and Yutaka,JQ2GYU, will be QRV as NH0J from Tinian Island
(USi NI003S, WLOTA 3108, Grid Loc QK25) from Oct 18-22. They plan to
work in CW/SSB and maybe also RTTY/PSK on 80m-6m.
They may also use their individual US calls: AH0J (QSL via JA1NVF),
WA2O/KH0 (QSL via JF7ELG), WS2M/KH0 (QSL via JJ2VLY) and
WS2Y/KH0 (QSL via JQ2GYU). QSLs for NH0J via JJ2VLY (bureau/direct).

Another DXpedition to the Mariana Islands is leading Matt,AH0/K0BBC,
and Ron,AH0/N0AT, to Saipan (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333) from Oct 23-30.
They also plan to join the WWDX SSB. QSLs via homecalls.

OC-151, YB9, Tenggara Timur Islands (incl. Alor and Solor Isl, Flores,
Komodo, Sawu, Sumba, etc.): Leo,YC9MLL, is living on Flores Island for
8 years and operates mostly in SSB, but also in CW if requested. He is
usually on Saturdays and Sundays, but states that he is on vacation now
and you can send him an e-mail (yc9mll@gmail.com) for skeds in CW, SSB,
PSK31, RTTY and SSTV on 40m/20m/15m/10m. He has a homebrew radio with
50-100 watts into a dipole and delta loop antenna. QSL via YC9MLL.

OC-160, VK4, Queensland State (South Coast) North group: Aki,JA1NLX/VK4, is
working from Hamilton Island (Whitsunday Islands archipelago) in CW and
SSB on 40m-10m from Oct 18-23.
QSL via homecall (d/L/B). An OQRS will be available for bureau cards.
See also: http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/VK4_2012.html

NON IOTA: The W/VE-QSO-Party will take place on Oct 20/21 and this contest
is a good chance to work several islands in the US and Canada usually.

DX stations may call as well and hand out some points.
Here is a list of a few announced activities:
W9PVR Coumbe Island (USi WI049)
AB5WB Galveston (USi TX001S)
NM5RC from several islands:
Sand Stone (USi NM023L), Red Rock (USi NM024L),
Comanche (USi NM025L), Puerco (USi NM026L),
Cerrito (USi NM027L)
N3SW/p Holden Beach (USi NC008S)
WA3EOP/p Delmarva Island (USi DE015S)
KB5IQJ/p Goose (USi TX003S)
WC5C Greer Island (USi TX058L) or
Bolivar Peninsula Island (USi TX063S)
Galveston Island (USi TX001S, NA-143),
Pelican Island (USi TX008S, NA-143)
QSL via WC5C (d)
N1QLL Great Wass (USi ME004S)
VE3GJ/p Henley (ON-007)

WFF: DLFF: DQ125HSB and DK0WFF will be QRV from the national park Harz
(DLFF-006) on 2m, 70cm and 23cm on Oct 21. QSLs via bureau.
OZFF: The clubstation OZ8ERA will activate Nakkehovedkilen (OZFF-037)
on Oct 20. As a bonus they will be QRV also from the lighthouses
Nakkehoved-Vest (DEN-027) and Nakkehoved-0stre (DEN-028).
See also: http://www.oz8era.dk

Lighthouse activities

8J2ARDF LH 2376 Oct 20-Nov 25
FO/F4GYP LH 0885 Oct 19-Nov 6
FO/F4GYP LH 0465 Oct 19-Nov 6
FO/F6BCW LH 3909 Oct 19-Oct 22
VQ92JC LH 1645 Oct 20-Nov 4
WA2O/KH0 LH 3108 Oct 18-Oct 22
WS2M/KH0 LH 3108 Oct 18-Oct 22
WS2Y/KH0 LH 3108 Oct 18-Oct 22

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

16Oct-23Oct 3B9SP 1800
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
-20Sep 4S7HBG.. 1798
-21Oct 5D7AT 1800
02Oct-27Oct 5H2DK 1799
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798
-15Dec 5X1NH 1801/1802 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1753/1772/1799

2012 6D0LM 1774
22Oct-03Nov 6V7S 1802 *
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
01Oct-04Nov 8J1ARK 1800
-31Dec 8J1KS 1800
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-31Dec 8J1STGY 1800
20Oct-25Nov 8J2ARDF 1802 *
-30Sep 8J2NDP.. 1751
-03Nov 8J2YDU 1794
-31Dec 8J3IPA 1802 *
-21Oct 8J4HAM 1794
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
06Oct-05Nov 8J6BAL 1800
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
-30Nov 8N1YKR 1800
-30Nov 8N2100MD 1800
-17Oct 8P6DR 1800
23Oct- 8P9NX.. 1802 *
unknown 8Q7HA 1796
unknown 9G5ZS 1795
19Oct-22Oct 9J2GR 1802 *
unknown 9J2JA 1796
-Dec 9J2RI 1739/1742
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
22Oct-31Oct AA4VK/CY0 1800/1800
23Oct-30Oct AH0/K0BBC 1802 *
23Oct-30Oct AH0/N0AT 1802 *
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
10Oct-22Oct CE3/SQ1DWR 1800
-28Oct CG3X 1800
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
19Oct- CP8/DF7NX 1801/1802 *
27Oct-28Oct CR3L 1802 *
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DF4UM 1802 *
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DH4JQ 1802 *
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DJ5KW 1802 *
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DK8VC 1802 *
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DL1EK 1802 *
22Oct-31Oct CY0/AA4VK 1802 *

22Oct-31Oct CY0/WA4DAN 1802 *
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784

-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
12Oct-20Oct DF0DFF 1800
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802 *
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791

-31Dec E720RS 1770
20Oct-31Oct EA6/AA5UK 1802 *
15Oct-28Oct EA8/DL3FCG 1800
22Oct-28Oct EA9/SP7VC 1802 *
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
21Oct-30Oct EI8GQB.. 1802 *
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
19Oct-06Nov FO/F4GYP.. 1802
02Oct-08Nov FO/F6BCW.. 1799/1800
20Oct/21Oct GB1FDS 1802 *
20Oct/21Oct GB2JTA 1802 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Oct GX4BJC/A.. 1800

17Oct-10Dec H44MS 1802 *
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Oct-19Oct HF28JP 1799
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
18Sep-18Nov HK3JCL 1762/1797
07Oct-24Oct HS0ZJF/8 1800
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
22Oct-29Oct J3? 1802 *
14Oct-07Nov J79WE 1800
18Oct-23Oct JA1NLX/VK4 1802 *
19Oct-21Oct JA6CNH.. 1802 *
-Nov JW2US 1791/1797

-Mar/13 JX9JKA 1769/1773

-2013 KG4AJ 1756
11Oct-27Oct KG4KL 1800
11Oct-27Oct KG4WV 1800
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
23Oct-29Oct KH8/JA2ZL 1802 *
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
long term KP2/NQ3X 1799
21Oct-26Oct K9YNF/4 1802
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
20Oct-27Oct MS0WRC 1802 *
18Oct-22Oct NH0J 1802 *
-18Oct OA7/DF7NX.. 1800
Resident OD5RW 1799
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-15Nov ON44CLM 1802 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790

20Oct-12Nov P29VCX.. 1802 *
-31Dec P3EU 1786
Oct P40Z 1799/1802 *
04Oct-31Oct PB100... 1800
01Oct-01Nov PJ6/G4IUF 1799
-Oct RA0SS/0 1798
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
20Oct-04Nov S79LC 1802 *
20Oct-04Nov S79UN 1802 *
20Oct-04Nov S79YY 1802 *
18Oct-22Oct SU55J 1802 *
16Oct-25Oct T30PY.. 1801
Feb/13 T6LG 1795
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
19Oct-21Oct TM5BRT 1802 *
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
20Oct-30Oct TO2A 1802 *
04Oct-19Oct TO2M 1800
-01Nov UK/UA1ZEY 1802 *

21Oct-30Oct V31MW 1802 *
12Oct-01Nov V47JA 1800
12Oct-01Nov V47HAM 1800
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
23Oct-30Oct VP2MAF 1802 *
23Oct-30Oct VP2MDG 1802 *
23Oct-30Oct VP2MKC 1802 *
23Oct-30Oct VP2MXU 1802 *
23Oct-30Oct VP5/K4QE 1802 *
23Oct-30Oct VP5/N2VW 1802 *

23Oct-30Oct VP5/WA2VYA 1802 *
27Oct-28Oct VP5T 1802 *
20Oct-04Nov VQ92JC 1802 *
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800
15Oct-18Oct W4/SP5APW 1800
22Oct-31Oct WA4DAN/CY0 1800/1801

-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
19Oct-22Oct XV29FM 1802 *
18Oct-29Oct XX9TBM 1802 *
18Oct-29Oct XX9TEX 1802 *
18Oct-29Oct XX9TFR 1802 *
18Oct-29Oct XX9TPX 1802 *
unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
23Oct-29Oct YN2AA 1802 *
22Oct-25Oct Z21GF 1802 *
unknown Z81A.. 1798
unknown Z88Z 1800
18Oct-30Oct ZD8O 1802 *
unknown ZD9KX 1795
-12Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3D2GC via LZ1GC (B)
4U1GSC via 9A2AA (B)
5B/RT9T via RT9T
5D7AT via ON4LO (B)
5U5A via I2YSB (d)
6V7S via RK4FF
6W1SP via F4FMI (direct: Malamine Bathily, PO Box 160, 12600 Ouakam Air Senegal)
8J2ARDF (B)
8J3IPA (B)
8P0P via W3HNK (d)
8P9NX via W3HNK (d)
9J2GR via ZS6AYU (B)
9M8DX via SP5UAF (B)
A41PB via EB7DX (d)
A61AS via YO3FRI (B), (L)
AH0/K0BBC via K0BBC (B)
AH0/N0AT via N0AT (B)
CP8/DF7NX via DF7NX (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT8/G7VJR via M0OXO (B), (L)
CT9/DF3FS via DF3FS (B)

CT9/DF4UM via DF4UM (B)
CT9/DH4JQ via DH4JQ (B)
CT9/DJ5KW via DJ5KW (B)
CT9/DK8VC via DK8VC (B)
CT9/DL1EK via DL1EK (B)
CY0/AA4VK via AA4VK (d)
CY0/WA4DAN via WA4DAN (d)
DK0WFF (B)
DL0VBG (B)
DQ125HSB (B)
EA6/AA5UK via AA5UK (B), (L)
EA9/SP7VC via SP7VC (d), (L)
EG1RGC via EA1SV
EI1A via ON4EI (B)
EI8GQB via ON4EI (B)
EM200V via UR2VA (B)
EM4IFF via US5IQ
EM80L/p via US0LW (B), (L)
FO/F4GYP via F4GYP (B)
GB1FDS (B), G0GFG (d)
GB2CMH (B), G0GFG (d)
GB2JTA (B)
GB80PW via G3XFD (d)
GP0STH via G4DIY (d)
H44MS via DL2GAC (B)
H44PA via VK1AI (B)
II7EPC via IQ7MU (B), eQSL
II9MK via IQ9DE (B)
IM0LDV via IK5YOJ (B)
JA1NLX/VK4 via JA1NLX (B), (L)
JF7MTO/JD1 via JF7MTO
K3A via N3YIM (d)
K9YNF/4 via K9YNF (B)
KH8/JA2ZL via JA2ZL (B)
LA/JH0CJH via JH0CJH (B), (L)
LY3IV/p via LY3IV
MS0WRC via G0MTD (B)
NH0J via JJ2VLY (B)
OG30OJ via OH3OJ (B)
OG73X via OH8L
OH3D via OH3AD (B)
OJ0R via G3TXF (B) (SAC)
ON44CLM via ON3AIM (B)
OZ1BIKE via OZ1ACB (B)
P29NI via G3KHZ (B)
P29VCX via SM6CVX (B)
P40Z via DF7ZS (B)
RA4FF/3 via RA4FF
RI1ANF via ZS1ANF or RK1PWA
RQ1AP/p via RQ1AP

S79LC via I5IHE (d), (L)
S79UN via IK5RUN (d) (L)
S79YY via I5OYY (d), (L)
SU55J via SM5AQD (d)
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE (d)
SZ3I via SV3JZT (d), eQSL
T88IK via JF1LUT (B)
TM5BRT via F5THW (B)
TO2A via KU9C (B)
TR8CA via F6CBC (d)
TX4FO via F4GYP (B)
TX5EG via F6CBW
UA0LCZ/p via UA0LCZ
UK/UA1ZEY via UA1ZEY (d)
V31MW via N0HJZ (d), (B)
VP2MAF via GM4AFF (B)
VP2MDG via K2DM (B)
VP2MKC via G3NKC (B)
VP2MXU via G3NKC (B)
VP5/K4QE QRZ.com
VP5/N2VW QRZ.com
VP5/WA2VYA QRZ.com
VP5T via N2VW (B)
VQ92JC via ND9M (B)
XV29FM via JG1DKJ (SSB) (d)
XV29FM via JL7XBN (digital modes) (d)
XX9TBM via EA7FTR (d)
XX9TEX via EA7FTR (d)
XX9TFR via EA7FTR (d)
XX9TPX via EA7FTR (d)
YN2AA via NN3W (d), (L)
Z21GF via ZS6AYU (B)
ZA1E (d), QRZ.com no IRC!
ZD8O via OH0XX (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived LoTW: A92IO, PJ7/VE7SZ, 9M2CNC

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

2032. eHam.net News for Tuesday 16 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-16 22:56:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93411895458c904cc351146@google.com>
Source record: 1799
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Get on Right Wavelength and Enjoy Thrills of Amateur Radio:

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 05:25 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29150

An amateur radio enthusiast is encouraging you to tune in to the joys of the hobby. Despite the huge rise in social media sites, Sammy Baird said there is still a place for communication across the airwaves. He made the call as Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group (CARG) prepares to hold its annual sale this month. Sammy, from Monkstown, hopes it will provide the right signal for people to take up the pastime. The 67-year-old is treasurer of CARG and a veteran with around 70 radios in his collection. He teaches amateur radio licence courses so people can get involved in the hobby. Amateur radio has changed the world, helped Britain win wars and, as Sammy puts it, "has brought the world to our fingertips". It is one of the world's most popular hobbies with over 50,000 active 'hams' in Britain.

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Be Nice To The Moon. Stop Writing On It:

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 05:25 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29149

All over the world, ham radio operators and Morse code enthusiasts beam dot, dash messages straight at the moon, then wait 2.7 seconds for the signal to bounce back. They call these "E.M.E." transmissions, which stands for "Earth-Moon-Earth" or -- more popularly -- "moonbouncing." I suppose it's fun to smack little beeps against a sleepy rock 239,000 miles away and have those beeps come flying back at you. Plus, it's easy. Moonbouncing With The Morse Resource: Anybody with a good transmitter and an antenna "capable of being rotated in both the azimuth and elevation planes" (ask your hardware store or any ham radio jock to explain) can bounce messages off the moon. You don't even have to know Morse code. There's a shortcut. Just type your message ("Happy Birthday, Munchkins!") onto a screen at The Morse Resource and in less than a minute they translate it into long and short beeps you can hurtle moonward. The moon must be twitching.

2033. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 16 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-17 02:50:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced1cdef4104cc38525b@google.com>
Source record: 1800
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio fall campout and training - Emery County Progress

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 12:57 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHEwt7E9-iMZ4My4smDxzX81kw2nQ&url=http://www.ecprogress.com/index.php?tier%3D1%26article_id%3D13138

Ham radio fall campout and training
Emery County Progress
21-22, the Sinbad Desert Amateur Radio Club held their Fall Campout at the Wedge Campground. At that campground the members participated in setting up HAM radios with long and/or tall antennas to make contact with other HAM radio operators around ...

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Amateur weather spotter recalls chasing destructive Dexter tornado - AnnArbor.com

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 03:05 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGNuwsa2g2lbhVrNPAyVhkyXKaPNQ&url=http://www.annarbor.com/news/dexter/dexter-tornado-spotter-march-15-twister/

Amateur weather spotter recalls chasing destructive Dexter tornado
AnnArbor.com
101112_NEWS__Jeff_Cowall_CS.JPG. Jeff Cowall, an amateur radio operator and severe weather spotter, drives down Dexter-Townhall Road using his HAM radio just as he did on March 15, the day an EF-3 tornado hit Dexter. Courtney Sacco I AnnArvor.

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Randall VanVoorhis -- Bartlett School Bd., Pos. 5 - Memphis Commercial Appeal

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 11:03 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGmhHLiLrs_1x10wZvM1aAF4SnxNw&url=http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/oct/16/randall-vanvoorhis----bartlett-school-bd-pos-5/

Randall VanVoorhis -- Bartlett School Bd., Pos. 5
Memphis Commercial Appeal
Personal: Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association; Amateur Radio Relay League; Mid-South Amateur Radio Association (past president); licensed amateur radio operator (callsign: W4RMV); National Rifle Association. Motivation: I am ...

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RADIO CLUB LAUNCHING HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON OVER COLLIN COUNTY - Star
Community Newspapers

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 01:49 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFewBeFDP277t0lmR_KoD5-WBtNww&url=http://www.scntx.com/articles/2012/10/16/news_by_readers/doc507d3c72be63a846525728.txt

RADIO CLUB LAUNCHING HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON OVER COLLIN COUNTY
Star Community Newspapers
The Plano Amateur Radio Klub (PARK) and other radio amateurs will launch a high altitude balloon on Saturday October 20, 2012. The balloon will be launched at ASC Signal in Farmersville, TX at 9am and is expected to reach an altitude of over 95,000 feet.

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Boy Scouts' Jamboree On-The-Air Begins Friday - Jamestown Post Journal

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 09:18 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGCqL4ISvYPgYT5phf4vKqBSmWi5A&url=http://post-journal.com/page/content.detail/id/611716/Boy-Scouts--Jamboree-On-The-Air-Begins-Friday.html?nav%3D5004

Boy Scouts Jamboree On-The-Air Begins Friday
Jamestown Post Journal
The scouts will be able to experience amateur radio with the help of Chautauqua Amateur Radio Service of Jamestown. The radio club will erect portable antennas and have their equipment ready for service. The camp, billed as The Monster Mash, will also ...

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The biggest batch of passers from NORAD-7 who took the recent NTC amateur ... - Negros Chronicle

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 08:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEBj-1WHP-90IwZxvBh5sDRyt-1Iw&url=http://www.negroschronicle.com/web-archives/news/44%2520NORAD-7%2520amateur%2520radio%2520Operators%2520pass%2520NTC%2520EXAM.htm?keepThis%3Dtrue%26TB_iframe%3Dtrue%26height%3D540%26width%3D850

The biggest batch of passers from NORAD-7 who took the recent NTC amateur ...
Negros Chronicle
The biggest batch of passers from NORAD-7 who took the recent NTC amateur radio operators examinations were bared by NORAD-7 Pres. Roy Alcantara. The passers are: AMATEUR CLASS “A” : Roger R. Abugan, Segros Jr. V. Mana-ay; AMATEUR ...

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14 year old radio ham gets digital DXCC - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 15 Oct 2012 11:34 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFcb_X-jZzNnCh7FaBltswPXqeomg&url=http:

//www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/14_year_old_radio_ham_gets_digital_dxcc.htm

14 year old radio ham gets digital DXCC
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Tom is a member of NIAR and the Dayton Amateur Radio Association and he is reported to be one of the youngest hams in India and is at the 9th Standard in his local school. Congratulations to Tom on his achievement and we look forward to seeing him ...

2034. The ARES E-Letter for October 17, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-17 05:20:44 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121017042830.D46B0276CF@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1701
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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==> ARES®/RACES BACK-UP COMMS FOR GOP CONVENTION

Bill Williams, AG4QX, Hillsborough County (Florida) ARES/RACES Operations Manager/Assistant Emergency Coordinator and the Greater Tampa Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Liaison for the City of Tampa was asked by the Tampa Office of Emergency Management to provide emergency back-up communications for the City during the timeframe of the Republican National Convention, August 24 through September 2, 2012.

This tasking required Amateur Radio at four primary locations: the Tampa EOC, Tampa Fire Station #1, Tampa Fire Station #3 and the Tampa Fire Rescue Training Academy and Police Training Center staging area. Each location had ICOM IC-2820 radios pre-programmed with numerous D-STAR and analog frequencies, all of which were tested and could be used for emergency communications. Two training sessions were conducted prior to the event to familiarize the operators with the radio operation and the Incident Command System-compliant plans for the Convention coverage.

The assignment was treated for the City as a CERT event, and for the County, an ARES/RACES activation. Volunteer radio operators were scheduled for 24/7 coverage at the four locations, plus the Hillsborough EOC was available for any additional activations if required.

Over 1800 volunteer hours were put in to prepare for and support the city and county for the week-long operation. The city operated the Consequence Management EOC, staffed and supported by the RNC, Secret Service, FBI, State Warning Point, Hillsborough County and surrounding counties' Emergency Management representatives. A Joint Incident Command was established and operated nearby.

Even the threat of Hurricane Isaac did not interfere with the operation. Under the county plan, ARES/RACES put out the call for more operators to support Hillsborough County and the Red Cross shelter operations, and the city operation support continued unfazed. The county RACES Officer and ARRL Emergency Coordinator, Keating Floyd, KC4HSI, called on operators from the Tampa Amateur Radio Club to run a Resource Net until the storm threat passed. Hillsborough County experienced heavy rains and flooding but only minor damage was reported.

All facets of the Amateur Radio operation were undeniably successful. The RNC went off with very few problems, and congratulations are due to Williams for a job well done, along with all the CERT and ARES/RACES members who supported him and the Tampa Bay community. -- Budd Johnson, WB4J, Hillsborough County Assistant EC; Tampa Amateur Radio Club Liaison; ARRL West Central Florida Official Emergency Station; wb4j@verizon.net

==> 2012 ARRL SET ACTION NOTES: TESTS IN FULL SWING

The Hardin County (Kentucky) Amateur Radio Emergency Communications group is participating in the annual national ARRL Simulated Emergency Test <http://www.arrl.org/news/get-set-for-the-2012-simulated-emergency-test> this month. Their SET message to your editor: "We currently have a display set up at Home Depot's Safety Day in Elizabethtown. While at Safety Day, this message is being sent from W8WN's mobile station there. It is being transmitted by HF radio to an automated station in another part of the U.S., outside the local simulated disaster area. It then goes via one of five hardened servers located worldwide (for redundancy), and then into the regular Internet, to be delivered via e-mail anywhere that e-mail is available. Thus, if the Internet were down locally or even regionally, by using the Winlink 2000 <http://www.winlink.org/> system, we still have some e-mail capabilities. This is in addition to and separate from our usual local and area VHF operations.

"As an additional test this year, two mixed-mode (voice and digital) exercise nets were conducted at the end of September from a number of agency locations around Hardin county and from mobiles in the field,

exchanging simulated ICS-213
<http://www.scottares.org/images/NewFEMA213.pdf> and Red Cross Damage Assessment ("street sheet") forms. [See K1CE For a Final at the end of this issue for a link to a typical county damage assessment protocol and forms -- ed.]

"The ARES provides most of the SKYWARN severe weather spotters nationwide. If severe weather were in the area, we would normally have trained SKYWARN spotters out and a SKYWARN net in operation with direct communications to the Louisville NWS, while standing ready to provide interagency communications for the local government safety agencies and NGOs. Thanks for your participation and for your interest in our community." -- Shelby Ennis, W8WN - AAR4IJ, Hardin County, Kentucky ARES Emergency Coordinator, w8wn@arrl.net

Southern Florida Section SET: Operation Solar Storm

The ARRL Southern Florida Section SET scenario: Operation Solar Storm. "A once in a lifetime solar storm has impacted Earth. Similar in strength to the solar storm of 1859, also known as the 1859 Solar Superstorm, or the Carrington Event, a large solar flare caused a major coronal mass ejection (CME) to travel directly toward Earth, taking just 18 hours. (Such a journey normally takes three to four days.) This took place just over 24 hours ago. Power companies and communication satellite companies were caught off guard by the speed at which the charged particles reached Earth.

"One of the largest recorded geomagnetic storms occurred as a result of this CME. Aurorae have been seen around the world, even over the Caribbean. People who happened to be awake in the northeastern US could read a newspaper by the aurora's light. Unfortunately, a good percentage of communications satellites have been damaged causing havoc with telephone, cellular, and Internet communications. Even worse, power lines acting as antennas absorbed the geomagnetic energy and hundreds of transformers have been burned out throughout North America. Over 90% of the United States (including all of Florida) and most of the rest of the world have been in a total blackout for over 24 hours. With limited inventory and relatively few factories to make replacement equipment, the blackout is expected to continue for many weeks or months for most areas.

"While most public radio systems are still operating, many are at or near capacity. Significant portions of cellular service have been disrupted and land line telephones will not last longer than a few days as batteries drain and generators run out of fuel. The unprecedented wide-spread blackout will hinder fuel deliveries to replenish generators for many weeks. ARES has been activated by county Emergency Management officials throughout the Southern Florida Section. CERT teams have activated to assist their neighbors. Specal needs shelters are being opened throughout Southern Florida.

"The mission of the Amateur Radio operators is to pass messages to assist government and non-government agencies as their normal communications are either reaching capacity or are not functioning normally. Click on the Sample Messages <http://www.sflset.org/gpage1.html>link for sample messages to pass. For more info, visit www.sflset.org <http://www.sflset.org/>

Arizona SET

Arizona's SET is scheduled for November 3, 2012. Section ARES officials report: "The emphasis has been placed on a more local concentration of communication than some of our previous SETS . . . An attempt will be made to incorporate digital exercises during the SET within each district as well as attempts state wide. There are several digital technical experts that have volunteered to assist those who are digitally challenged with helpful information should it be needed. The DEC of each district will essentially be in charge of coordinating plans in the district and will likely ask for assistance with coordination of adjacent counties, particularly where there are no ECs in place. -- Kirk Seifert, W5KRK, Arizona SEC, w5krk@nwahams.com

==> ARRL PUBLIC SERVICE/EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING PROGRAM CHANGES

Revised Field Instructor (FI) and Mentor Qualifications/Requirements have been implemented for the ARRL Public Service/Emergency Communications Training Program. Our continuing effort to improve and adjust our training program to adapt to the role we play in public service and emergency communications response with other local and national agencies necessarily results in changes from time to time. Based on feedback from individuals and leaders in our community and changes in FEMA training we are making some changes to strengthen our training program. Effective November 1, 2012 we are updating the qualifications/requirements for those who wish to serve as Field Instructors or Online Mentors for ARRL's Emergency Communications training program. Changes to qualifications include the addition of SKYWARN training and some changes in the list of FEMA training required of instructors and mentors. Updated requirements include listing field classes with the ARRL Continuing Education Program office, and filing student rosters and student evaluations with the CEP office. We are also adding a 3-year term of service to this appointment. You can review the updated qualifications/requirements on the ARRL website at: www.arrl.org/requirements-for-field-instructors <http://www.arrl.org/requirements-for-field-instructors> and www.arrl.org/mentoring-online-courses <http://www.arrl.org/mentoring-online-courses>.

The list of prerequisites for completion of the Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs (EC-016) Course has also been updated to reflect changes in the FEMA training program, as well as other appropriate training for field leadership. Review the updated list of prerequisites in the course description at: www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog

<http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>. -- Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager and Debra Johnson, K1DMJ, ARRL Education Services Manager

==> LETTERS: RECRUITMENT CHALLENGES

I am retired here in mid coast Maine and active in consulting with RACES operations in Knox County. This is the region that stretches inland and along the coast from Camden to Friendship, Maine. The county's comm group is supporting our RACES activities as part of their emergency communications plan. We have a dedicated 2 meter repeater and mobile trailer as the main assets for our activities. Homeland Security has made Maine's EMA well organized with a need for more county participation.

I'm trying to help out as a volunteer focusing on technical matters associated with an upgrade to have the 2 meter simulcast FM repeater system adequate enough to cover the entire county with just hand-helds radios and operators. As a new member I find some challenges for the Penn Bay Amateur Radio Club RACES function and seek suggestions on ways to stimulate getting young members involved. Our club is made up of older long term hams retired in the area. We need young blood to join us so we have enough operators to support emergencies in the state and county.

The membership has attempted to come up with ways to attract interest by offering training for license exams but with poor results. We are all getting older and not gaining new young members. Have you heard of this problem before and do your readers have suggestions for getting interest in this form of public service?

I came here to retire yet ended up working for the State of Maine's Office of Information Technology as a field engineer for their statewide Public Safety Radio System. That was following a thirty year career in my own small business located in Silicon Valley. I employed and trained young college graduate engineers for my systems integration business centered on computer data acquisition and control and ATE. Plus I represented RF/Microwave companies to the vast marketplace for their products. Now I'm tasked with overcoming Maine's shortage of technology geeks who should become interested and active in our RACES group. I'm sure you must know of other regions of the country facing the same problem and have possibly come up with solutions. Any suggestions? -- John Lawrence, W1QS, Waldoboro, Maine; USAF Communications Specialist Course Instructor; Penn Bay Amateur Radio Club RACES; j123law@aol.com

==> 2012 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD: NOMINATIONS OPEN

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual

prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster. As one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2012-international-humanitarian-award>.
-- ARRL Letter

==> THE WEATHER CHANNEL TO BEGIN NAMING WINTER STORMS

Beginning this winter, The Weather Channel will begin naming what it calls "noteworthy winter storms." As The Weather Channel explained on its website, "[a] storm with a name is easier to follow, which will mean fewer surprises and more preparation. In addition to providing information about significant winter storms by referring to them by name, the name itself will make communication and information sharing in the constantly expanding world of social media much easier." Unlike the National Hurricane Center -- which has named tropical storms and hurricanes since the 1940s -- the National Weather Service does not name winter storms. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-weather-channel-to-begin-naming-winter-storms>.
-- ARRL Letter

==> LETTERS: PERSPECTIVE IN THE POST-KATRINA ERA

Thank you for your work and efforts in publishing the ARES E-Letter. The opening sentence of the September 19, 2012 letter caught my eye. I hope that you will forgive me for being a bit sensitive about this matter but in the last seven years all we hear is how Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans. I speak with people all over the country for business and Amateur Radio. Few are aware that Katrina did not make landfall in New Orleans. Katrina lingered far longer than usual and in doing so piled water up into the shores, bays, rivers, and bayous of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana. The massive amounts of rain inland flowed down stream to meet the waters from the Gulf of Mexico. The confluence of the two resulted in water depths that have not been seen in one hundred years or more.

Katrina came ashore at about the mouth of the Pearl River near Pearlington, Mississippi, about 35 miles east of New Orleans while moving due north. As you know, the storm surge, high winds, rain and tornadoes occur mostly in the right front quadrant of the storm. The vast majority of the damage to New Orleans occurred when a levee that protects the Ninth Ward from Lake Pontchartrain, overtopped.

The reason that most Americans only know New Orleans in reference to Katrina is the news media. Perhaps you heard so little about Mississippi because we did what we always do: We quietly picked

ourselves up, helped our neighbors, and did what was necessary to make it possible for others to help us.

Katrina damaged Perdido Key, Florida; Gulf Shores, Alabama; Dauphin Island, Alabama; Bayou La Batre, Alabama; as well as the entire Mississippi Gulf Coast. Most all of the small towns south of New Orleans are extremely low and were wiped out and cut off but you never heard a whisper about them. Please understand that we love our neighbors in Louisiana including New Orleans and we wish for them the best in this decades-long recovery. Most Mississippians simply ask that the focal point of Katrina be where Katrina focused its impact and destruction.

The stories of your fellow Americans doing simple and extraordinary acts in the wake of this unthinkable disaster would make you cry. I wish all of America could know what we know and have seen what we saw. The pride that you hold inside yourself for this country would burst forth in a flood of emotional patriotism. The people of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana did remarkable things with the help of citizens from EVERY state. We owe you all a debt that cannot be repaid and you gave yourselves a gift of service that you cannot buy, borrow, beg or steal.

I suppose Hurricane Isaac brought back these emotions when the Weather Channel described us as "the land mass between Louisiana and Alabama." The next day they produced a map that labeled Mississippi as Alabama and vice versa. Again, we love our neighbors in Alabama and there are many wonderful aspects of Alabama that we would like to emulate. However, we are happy with our State name and I am sure that Alabama is happy with their name, too.

My purpose for this message was not to hit you over the head for a seemingly inconsequential statement but rather offer a more specific perspective. Please let all know that we thank God for everyone's help and kind thoughts.

I did not know it at the time but the Mississippi Coast Amateur Radio Association (MCARA) club repeater was the ONLY form of communication standing in the wake of Katrina including downed police, fire, and ambulance communications services. The club staffs the Harrison County EOC in Gulfport. My experiences in the aftermath called me to do something, which turned out to be through Amateur Radio and MCARA. It would appear that this turned out to be the largest, longest and most effective real world use of Amateur Radio emergency communications in this country in my lifetime. Let us plan as though it won't be the last but pray that it will. Thank you for all that you do and thank you for your indulgence. -- Chris Deaton, AE5TR, Events Director, Mississippi Coast Amateur Radio Association; ae5tr@bellsouth.net

==> LETTERS: MORE ON SYSTEMS' FALLIBILITY

I have to say I agree wholeheartedly with W6APZ's comments in last month's ARES E-Letter. As you well know from some of my previous e-mails to you, I see the over-emphasis on digital technology and the under-emphasis on direct communications to be a real problem. My basic philosophy is that the minimum number of points of failure is the foundation of effective communication. South Texas and a number of Texas and other nearby sections conducted a drill last May that was almost purely digital. It went better than I expected but still had a number of issues related to the complexity of digital communications. Our planned October 29 Statewide ARES exercise (ARRL South Texas, West Texas, North Texas sections and others) will return to more basic communications and should be a valid training exercise that covers the full spectrum of our capabilities. - James Burrough, N5DTT, Assistant Emergency Coordinator, South Texas ARES District 14 Hospital Liaison; Bellaire, Texas

==> LETTERS: ON ARRL HQ'S LESSONS LEARNED FROM ISAAC

In the last issue, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U, said "Lessons learned has been a buzz word in disaster response for many years and these lessons are important. However, what matters is lessons applied." I heard this: The FAA defines ``learning'' as ``a change in behavior [as a result of experience]." Sometime it's qualified as a (relatively) "permanent" change. I was surprised to discover that it's even true. See Chapter one in http://fsims.faa.gov/wdocs/other/ps_handbooks/h_h8083-9.htm -- Alan Martin, W1AHM, Westford, Massachusetts

==> FLORIDA'S LAKE COUNTY ARES SUPPORTS BICYCLE FESTIVAL

The Lake County (Florida) Amateur Radio Emergency Service (LACARES) provided radio communications to support a three day bicycle event in Mount Dora, Florida from October 12 through October 14, 2012. This event was the 38th Annual Mount Dora Bicycle Festival sponsored by the Mount Dora Area Chamber of Commerce. Excellent weather and moderate temperatures meant there were no heat exhaustion. No ambulance calls were necessary. This year there were around 600 bicycle riders from all over the United States with the majority coming from Florida. For many of the riders this has become an event they look forward to each year. This is not a competitive race but a series of 14 separate bicycle tours through Florida's Lake County scenic countryside.

The LCARES group had 23 volunteer radio operators helping to keep the riders safe and secure by manning rest areas, providing mobile SAG wagons and mobile patrol vehicles for three days. This year we added a three wheeled motorcycle and a motor scooter to the vehicle list. Both of these were equipped with 2 meter radios and the operators had microphones and headsets attached to their helmets. All vehicles were directed by the net control station N4FLA, which had its mobile command trailer set up in Mount Dora next to the Chamber of Commerce building. Mobile units and radio operators at rest areas were able to communicate with the command center using our repeater on 147.000 MHz. We also used APRS to track several of our mobile radio operators out on the course.

To prove the flexibility of ham radio operators we were able to continue operations despite the breakdown of two of the 2 meter radios within the trailer by moving the net control operator to his personal mobile radio in his car until a replacement radio was made ready to use in the trailer.

A total of 10 riders and their bicycles were transported back to the Mount Dora staging area due to mechanical breakdowns, minor injuries or just plain getting tired out.

Lake County ARES has been providing on course radio communications for the Mount Dora Bicycle Festival for close to twenty years. They use events such as this to train their members to be ready to deploy and setup emergency radio equipment in case of natural disasters such as hurricanes or tornados, which are not unusual in this area. They also get training on how to properly communicate on emergency radio networks. LCARES may be called upon at anytime to help support local first responders in the event of an emergency. For more information about Amateur Radio in Lake County, Florida, check the following web sites: www.n4fla.org <http://www.n4fla.org/> or www.k4fc.org <http://www.k4fc.org/> -- Ted Luebbers, K1AYZ, Tavares, Florida

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

For a good look at a typical county's damage assessment protocols and forms, including a Red Cross Damage Assessment form, click here <http://www.co.effingham.il.us/ESDA/DAMAGE.pdf> for the "damage assessment/intelligence annex" of Effingham County, Illinois. The reader should come away with a deeper understanding of this aspect of disaster response. ARES operators are often deployed with damage assessment teams.

It was a pleasure to participate in the teleconference of the ARRL Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (ECAC) earlier this month. Chairman Jim Cross, WI3N, Maryland/DC Section Manager runs a good meeting, and garners good participation and input as the committee wrestles with many current and demanding issues facing us as Amateur Radio emergency and disaster response communications planners and operators. The ARES community and greater public service community at large is being well served by this generally under-recognized group of experienced experts from around the country. Here are your ECAC members. Thank them the next time you get a chance at a club meeting or hamfest.

Chairman Jim Cross, WI3N (Atlantic); Brad Pioveson, W9FX (Central); Jim Zahradnicek, KD0S (Dakota); Jim Coleman, AI5B (Delta); John McDonough, WB8RCR (Great Lakes); Jim Mezey, W2KFV (Hudson); Reynolds Davis, K0GND (Midwest); Dave Colter, WA1ZCN (New England); Gordon Grove, WA7LNC (Northwestern); James Latham, AF6AQ (Pacific); Charlie Miller, AE4UX (Roanoke); Jeff Ryan, K0RM (Rocky Mountain); Rick Palm, K1CE

(Southeastern); Grant Hays, WB6OTS (Southwestern); Glen Reid, K5FX (West Gulf), and Doug Mercer, VO1DTM (Radio Amateurs of Canada). The Board liaison is Kent Olsen, KA0LDG, and the ARRL HQ liaison is Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U.

See you next month! 73, Rick Palm, K1CE, Daytona Beach, Florida

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2035. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 17 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-17 11:30:39 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f23546542eeba04cc3f99bd@google.com>
Source record: 1702
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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2012 AMSAT Space Symposium begins next week in Orlando

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The Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th in Orlando, Florida at the Holiday Inn at Orlando-International Airport

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Korean CubeSat developer to speak in London

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Hojun Song, developer of the OSSI CubeSat, will be speaking at the WIRED 2012 event taking place in London, EC1Y 4SD on Friday, October 26

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Ham radio trio in Malta for CQWW DX SSB Contest

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8kxG0edH5yM/ham_radio_trio_in_malta.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham radio operators Brad K7ZSD (9H3ZD), Carl WS7L (9H3WM) and Tim NL8F (9H3TJ) will be active as 9H9X during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_CESxkyMhxM/october_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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Ham radio operator needed for American Samoa DXpedition

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n_samoa_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham radio operators Bill N6MW and Jim N6TQ will be active as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila between March 19-28th

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Time to revalidate your licence

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/h9Fo4oBiL30/time_to_revalidate_your_licence.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

UK amateur radio licences issued from December 2006 until August 2007 are due for revalidation. Failure to do so will mean the licence is no longer valid

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FLIPORTO 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6Dbz5WBJznU/fliporto.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for several Brazilian ham radio operators to activate special event station ZV7O between November 17-18th

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Good Amateur Radio Operating Practices

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s9AY6V5dByI/good_amateur_radio_operating_practices.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has made available a leaflet on good amateur radio operating practices

2036. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 17 October 2012

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Date: 2012-10-17 16:55:02 UTC
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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W0P Special Event Station.

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 07:34 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365086-W0P-Special-Event-Station&goto=newpost

Special Event Station WØP is operating for the Boy Scouts of America -
Greater St. Louis Area Council - Pathfinder District Fall Camporee -
Jamboree on the Air. We will be operating from Beaumont Boy Scout
Reservation - High Ridge, Missouri - Jefferson County. Listen for us
October 20th.

For more information on Jamboree on the Air, visit
http://www.arrl.org/jamboree-on-the-air-jota

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FG/F1NGP Saint Francois Island

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 08:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365013-FG-F1NGP-Saint-Francois-Island&goto=newpost

F1NGP will be active from Saint Francois Island (IOTA NA-102) Guadeloupe
starting 19 October 2012 for 1 week as FG/F1NGP

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...nd_guadeloupe/

73 Al 4L5A

2037. eHam.net News for Wednesday 17 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-17 23:09:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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eHam.net News

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Kids In South Bay Connect to Astronauts Aboard International Space Station:

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29156

SANTA CLARA -- Ben Westlund is only in the third grade, but Saturday he seemed to fully grasp just how amazing it was to be talking to an astronaut in space. Decked out in a full astronaut costume, complete with space gloves and a jetpack backpack, the 8-year-old Santa Cruz boy said konnichiwa -- "hello" -- to the Japanese astronaut aboard the International Space Station and talked to him briefly about outer space. "That was like a rare time in life," Ben said after talking to English-speaking astronaut Akihiko Hoshide. "It was like he was standing right in front of me. Right there!" Ben was one of 14 local school kids that used a ham radio to ask Hoshide questions about space in an unusual opportunity for boys and girls to learn real-life science outside the classroom. The event was made possible after a year of planning by local amateur radio enthusiasts and NASA, which combined to set up an elaborate satellite radio system used to connect the Santa Clara Marriott with outer space. As the space station hovered over Italy for 10 minutes, the astronauts connected to the kids at the hotel via a "telebridge" conference call involving Italian engineers and a moderator in Australia. Some phone signal problems in the minutes leading up to the event kept organizers nervous, but the call to space went off without a hitch.

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Ham Radio Fall Campout and Training:

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29155

On Sept. 21-22, the Sinbad Desert Amateur Radio Club held their Fall Campout at the Wedge Campground. At that campground the members participated in setting up HAM radios with long and/or tall antennas to make contact with other HAM radio operators around the world. The fun of these campouts is all about getting out in nature away from the city noise and traffic. Some of the activities were, find the hidden radio transmitter, making radio contacts, hikes, 4-wheeling and just relaxing in the shade. There was good food, comradeship, swapping of war stories about the radio contacts made, stories of how you have improved your HAM radio shack with new equipment or the latest antenna configuration you have made and tested. These are all part of the fun of the campout.

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Boy Scouts' Jamboree On-The-Air Begins Friday:

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29154

Each year, more than 500,000 scouts in more than 100 countries take to the airways on the third full weekend in October. From Friday through Sunday, more than 300 scouts in the Allegheny-Highland Council, which includes Chautauqua and Cattaraugus counties, will participate in the 55th annual Jamboree On-The-Air at Camp Merz in Mayville. The scouts will be able to experience amateur radio with the help of Chautauqua Amateur Radio Service of Jamestown. The radio club will erect portable antennas and have their equipment ready for service. The camp, billed as The Monster Mash, will also have games and scouting programs. Aaron Miles, liaison between the Boy Scouts and the Chautauqua Amateur Radio Service, said scouts of all ages can participate. Once at the amateur radio station, the communication typically requires speaking into a microphone and then listening via the stations speakers. However other forms of specialized communications will also take place, such as Allstar link ECHO link and digital mode.

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Radio Club Launching High Altitude Balloon Over Collin County:

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29153

The Plano Amateur Radio Klub (PARK) and other radio amateurs will launch a high altitude balloon on Saturday October 20, 2012. The balloon will be launched at ASC Signal in Farmersville, TX at 9am and is expected to reach an altitude of over 95,000 feet. The helium filled balloon will deflate at its maximum height and come back to earth. The entire flight will last about 2 hours. The amateurs have configured the balloon with a payload that includes a talking altimeter, a tracker (using APRS), a homing beacon, a TV camera, and a radio repeater. The talking altimeter can be monitored by listening to 147.54 on a scanner with VHF.

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Amateur Weather Spotter Recalls Chasing Destructive Dexter Tornado:

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 05:10 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29152

Jeff Cowall had waited for this moment for 24 years. He was speeding through the Dexter countryside in the early evening of March 15, cresting a hill on Dexter-Townhall Road when he saw a "majestic, tall, huge, dark, body of cloud." He pulled his truck over. The otherwise fluffy mass of precipitation was flat at the bottom -- an unmistakable sign that a tornado could be forming. In the minutes that flowed a dark cyclone dropped from the ominous cloud. The display quickly transformed into a natural disaster: an EF-3 strength twister that would travel 7.2 miles and rip through hundreds of homes before finally dissipating. Cowall and his son Michael Kundak-Cowall, both amateur skywarn weather spotters trained to use emergency HAM radio systems, watched as two football fields away the

powerful swirling vortex touched ground water, lifting and manipulating the liquid so it looked like a thin, wildly twisting rope. "We're on the radio calling this in and they're saying get out of there," recalled Jeff Cowall, a University of Michigan data architect who first began weather spotting in 1988. Despite having spotted for decades, never before had he seen a tornado up close. "So when we're not on air we're screaming like little babies at each other."

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Amateurlogic ep 45 + Competition!

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 04:52 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29151

AmateurLogic.TV is celebrating our 7th Anniversary. Join us for highlights and the backstory on some of our favorite scenes. We found you can't fit 7 years into a 1 hour show, so this is part 1. Part 2 is later this month.

2038. Re: eHam.net News for Wednesday 17 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-17 23:33:17 UTC
From: Patty Winter <patty1@wintertime.com>
Message-ID: <507f403d$0$71167$742ec2ed@news.sonic.net>
Source record: 1705

In article <90e6ba6153021075b204cc495efe@google.com>,
eHam.net via rec.radio.info Admin <rec-radio-info-request@panix.com> wrote:
>
>Kids In South Bay Connect to Astronauts Aboard International Space Station:
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> http://www.eham.net/articles/29156

I was at this ISS QSO during the ARRL national convention, and it
was great! As the article notes, the telebridge system allowed for
a 10-minute contact, so all the kids waiting in line got to ask
their questions. There was even time at the end for astronaut Lee
Morin--who was on site in Santa Clara to give a talk--to say hi
to Aki himself. Congratulations to everyone who helps with the
ARISS project; I can't think of a better way to get kids excited
about amateur radio, space exploration, and sci-tech in general.

Patty N6BIS

2039. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 17 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-18 03:12:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51dde5d595bb104cc4cc050@google.com>
Source record: 1706
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Troy Fire Department Trains for Phone Failure with Amateur Radio Operators
- Patch.com

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 02:37 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGjk7H_DwyQ7c8KOTwWL_FUMQ2ccw&url=http://troy.patch.com/articles/troy-fire-department-works-with-amateur-radio-operators-in-simulation

Troy Fire Department Trains for Phone Failure with Amateur Radio Operators
Patch.com
Amateur radio operators were positioned at each of Troys six fire stations, ready to relay requests for municipal services from the public in the form of preformatted messages simulating various types of requests. Additionally, amateur radio operators ...

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Hamming it Up - Charlotte Observer

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 07:26 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEKt7mm4_QT2k2OaFHzWfN6vrH14g&url=http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2012/10/17/3602899/hamming-it-up.html

Hamming it Up
Charlotte Observer
Last week, I dragged my kids to an outing that sounded fun. I saw a notice in our church bulletin about a special ham radio event honoring Saint Maximilian Kolbe, patron saint of ham radio operators. Who knew? I was intrigued. Ham radios have been ...

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WILDOMAR: BEGINNING RADIO CLASSES OFFERED - U-T San Diego

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 04:14 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHA2chpXAdZazDYy9IqAVjBtd1Ufg&url=http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2012/oct/17/tp-wildomar-beginning-radio-classes-offered/

WILDOMAR: BEGINNING RADIO CLASSES OFFERED
U-T San Diego
Area operators joined thousands of amateur radio operators across the country to demonstrate their emergency capabilities. Using only emergency power supplies, ham operators constructed emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, schools and back ...

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Ham radio trio in Malta for CQWW DX SSB Contest - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 11:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF29CNjH4PymjSpOKs9aJtf3L6FdA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/ham_radio_trio_in_malta.htm

Ham radio trio in Malta for CQWW DX SSB Contest
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Ham radio operators Brad K7ZSD (9H3ZD), Carl WS7L (9H3WM) and Tim NL8F (9H3TJ) will be active as 9H9X during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. They will use their individual callsigns before and after the contest.

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Public invited to see astronaut-student radio Q and A - GoErie.com

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 11:28 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEnS_G44je4fM-dEe1ZEcCWgT4oDg&url=http://www.goerie.com/article/20121017/NEWS02/310179885/Public-invited-to-see-astronaut-student-radio-Q-and-A

Public invited to see astronaut-student radio Q and A
GoErie.com
Teacher Paul Semrau said a group of 12 Seneca High School students will have a 10 minute live question-and-answer session with the astronauts via amateur radio shortly after noon Friday. Semrau said interested members of the public can attend the event ...

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Ham radio operator needed for American Samoa DXpedition - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 11:42 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGcU4Y0-7zPLkDzMaDFDzqTS0DAGg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/operator_needed_for_american_samoa_dxpedition.htm

Ham radio operator needed for American Samoa DXpedition
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Ham radio operator needed for American Samoa DXpedition. Ham radio operators Bill N6MW and Jim N6TQ will be active as KH8/N6MW from a hotel in Tutuila between March 19-28th. Their focus will be on "Maximum number of different stations contacted; ...

2040. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM] - Post Tropical Storm Rafael to pass out to sea over theSouthern Grand Banks of Newfoundland

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-18 05:40:33 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <507F9634.5060106@rac.ca>
Source record: 1707
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

[EMCOMM] - Post Tropical Storm Rafael to pass out to sea over the
Southern Grand Banks of Newfoundland
2012-10-17

Hurricane Rafael has now been downgraded to Post Tropical and
continues to move Northeast at 56KM/HR. Greatest rainfall is predicted
to be well out to sea with minimal damage to the previous alerted
affected areas. That said, folks living in the Southern Avalon Region
of Newfoundland should prepare overnight for much larger than usual
surf as maximum wave height over the Southern Grand Banks will reach
more than 15 meters.

Thanks to all of you who have been on a heightened level of alert, but
it seems that Rafael has come and gone.

73,

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2041. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 42 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-18 06:05:01 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121018060441.B6219123307A6@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1708
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 42 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-10-18
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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At the moment there is no hot news, DX events or DX expeditions.

At the moment i am not able to search intensive for news. I have
an own company and that is at the moment a lot of work.
I will ask you all when you have news please send it direct to me
pa3cmc@mmmonvhf.de.

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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2042. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 18 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-18 11:20:35 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec519690d10589404cc5393a7@google.com>
Source record: 1709
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oy9ZPqHCba4/october_18.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Another most excellent week with Sunday really peaking. TT8TT (Chad) was top dog all week except for Thursday when 5U5U (Niger) took him down a peg or two. Loads of delicious DX all week, unfortunately in Shanghai I don’t even have listening kit

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Chelmsford Makerspace wins City Camp Chelmsford Grand Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RqEb_LS62kw/chelmsford_makerspace_wins_grant.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In under a year Chelmsford Makerspace has grown from a gathering of young electronics and engineering enthusiasts in a kitchen to a rapidly growing community now meeting weekly at the Galleywood scout hut

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AmateurLogic.TV 45: 7th Anniversary and Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/chbpb_GxNf8/amateurlogic_tv_7th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AmateurLogic.TV is celebrating our 7th Anniversary. Join us for highlights and the backstory on some of our favorite scenes. We found you can’t fit 7 years into a 1 hour show, so this is part 1. Part 2 is later this month

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Ham Radio operators assist Troy Fire Department

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SI-DWiucaYk/ham_radio_operators_assist_troy_fire_department.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Last Saturday, the Troy Fire Department initiated a Simulated Emergency Test (SET) in conjunction with the Oakland County Amateur Radio Public Service Corps (ARPSC)

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Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club kicks-off new year

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/62z0hUGaeB0/mid_ulster_amateur_radio_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new club year kicked off recently for the Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club
with the election of a new committee under the chairmanship of Davy Gregg
Mi0IRZ

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Post Tropical Storm Rafael to pass out to sea over the Southern Grand Banks
of Newfoundland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yxFFv4iT3zY/tropical_storm_rafael.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hurricane Rafael has now been downgraded to Post Tropical and continues to
move Northeast at 56KM/HR

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Radio Shack Catalogs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WEbi9-cg3tI/radio_shack_catalogs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An archive of Radio Shack catalogs from 1939, that include amateur radio
transmitters and receivers, is available on the web

2043. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 18 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-18 16:34:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e838a647ffd04cc57f51b@google.com>
Source record: 1710
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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GRE stops making scanners -- Radio Referencee

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 02:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365212-GRE-stops-making-scanners-Radio-Referencee&goto=newpost

This came across my screen from the GRE PS-500 Yahoo Groups mailing list.
It quotes an announcement on the Radio Reference forums.

Quote:

GRE US Personnel Attempt Restart of GRE Business
GRE US Personnel Attempt Restart of GRE Business. Same Customer Service,
Warranty and Repair Remains

By Wayne Wilson, former Executive VP GRE

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2012

FORT WORTH, Texas, Oct. 16, 2012 ☐ In early October, all US GRE Sales and Development team were advised by GRE-Japan that scanner manufacturing was shut down; nearly all GRE personnel in Asia and USA were dismissed. Since that time, the US Team has been working to rebuild the company and get back into production.

There is nothing on this (as yet) at the GRE USA and GRE Japan Web sites
-- and there is nothing about it showing up via a Web search for news
relating to the company.

Readers will remember that Alinco had partnered with GRE USA as its US
distributor. This appears to be continuing, as is GRE support at GRE USA.
The Alinco Web site also has nothing on this as yet.

Cortland

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GRE Radio Shack Scanner Manufactuer Ceases all producion

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 11:31 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365202-GRE-Radio-Shack-Scanner-Manufactuer-Ceases-all-producion&goto=newpost

According to the radioreference.com scanner radio web site GRE, the maker of Radio Shack scanners, has ceased all radio scanner production world wide.

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CO6CBF Receives Visa for Travel to AMSAT Symposium

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 02:32 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365171-CO6CBF-Receives-Visa-for-Travel-to-AMSAT-Symposium&goto=newpost

2012 AMSAT Space Symposium Begins Next Week in Orlando

AMSAT's 2012 Space Symposium in Orlando will have a special visitor this year. The Symposium will be held on

Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th in Orlando, Florida at the Holiday Inn at Orlando-International Airport.

Special Symposium Visitor Hector Martinez, CO6CBF

Hector Martinez, CO6CBF will travel from Cuba to the Symposium in Orlando at the invitation of AMSAT for Hector to

attend and to make a presentation. Thanks to the work done by Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK, Hector has been able to obtain a visa to come to the United States for the Symposium.

Once the invitation was extended, Hector had to approach both governments and file applications to get a Cuban passport and travel permit and a US visa. All expenses for his trip must be guaranteed by someone outside Cuba. Patrick took on that task personally on behalf of AMSAT, even signing legally-binding documents for the Cuban government to that end. Patrick has covered expenses out of his personal funds since no AMSAT funds are available. Patrick would appreciate donations to cover the expenses via his callbook address.

AMSAT looks forward to welcoming Hector, CO6CBF at the Symposium!

Additionally, the Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet-Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

Visit the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration. Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page for those preferring this method.

Dr. Samuel T. Durrance, NASA Astronaut at the Saturday Evening Banquet

The featured speaker for the AMSAT 2012 Saturday Evening Banquet on October 27 will be Dr. Samuel T. Durrance, NASA Astronaut/Payload Specialist and Professor of Physics and Space Sciences at the Florida Institute of Technology.

2012 AMSAT Symposium Schedule

To help you plan your trip to Orlando the 2012 Symposium Committee has posted a high-level schedule of the weekend's events.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

2044. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 18 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-18 17:25:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011d90d1cd23404cc58ac44@google.com>
Source record: 1711
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VQ92JC Diego Garcia Island Archipelago Chagos

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 01:43 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365211-VQ92JC-Diego-Garcia-Island-Archipelago-Chagos&goto=newpost

ND9M will be active from Diego Garcia Island (IOTA AF-006) , Chagos Archipelago 20 October - 4 November 2012 as VQ92JC

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...s-archipelago/

73 Al 4L5A

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FG/F5UTN Guadeloupe Island

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365161-FG-F5UTN-Guadeloupe-Island&goto=newpost

F5UTN will be active from Guadeloupe Island 23 October - 1 November 2012 as FG/F5UTN

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...eloupe-island/

73 Al 4L5A

2045. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Thursday 18 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-18 18:48:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fca3bfa804cc59d3d9@google.com>
Source record: 1712
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Operators wanted for Banaba DXpedition

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 11:51 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1919:operators-wanted-for-banaba-dxpedition&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

A 14 member team of amateur radio operators led by Jay W2IJ and David N1EMC are planning a DXpedition to Banaba for March/April 2013.

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Women in Ham Radio

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 11:48 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1918:women-in-ham-radio&catid=45:online-videos&Itemid=100009

Gary Pearce KN4AQ of HamRadioNow interviews Mary Moore WX4MM about Women in Ham Radio

2046. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 18 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 02:34:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307cfea8b154e004cc60583c@google.com>
Source record: 1713
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio introduction class is Oct. 27 - Telegraph Neighbors

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 01:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4Li2l-a8orw3acUYski1wp7TPwA&url=http://www.telegraphneighbors.com/localnews/979988-147/ham-radio-introduction-class-is-oct.-27.html

Ham radio introduction class is Oct. 27
Telegraph Neighbors
MANCHESTER – An introduction to ham radio and class will be offered from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at the Manchester Red Cross Blood Center, 425 Reservoir Ave. Ham radio, also known as amateur radio, allows people to communicate via radio.

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Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School - STLtoday.com

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 10:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGIagSmFEqXyv0ytQysIEZlU5LUQ&url=http://www.stltoday.com/suburban-journals/stcharles/education/ham-radio-back-in-style-at-st-charles-high-school/article_6d9d50cc-6fe7-5466-aa31-eba38bf0dc03.html

Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School
STLtoday.com
Senior Sean Basler, whose 16-year-old sister Jesse is also in the club, said he became interested in amateur radio for a practical reason. "In an emergency, ham radio is probably the best form of communication there is," he said. Ham radios can operate ...

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Amateur radio club to host scout troops - Lompoc Record

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 12:19 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHk0EFFFLHJEvnY1CMBEMcViCnt6g&url=http://www.lompocrecord.com/news/local/regional-news/article_eabfea00-18e1-11e2-bb56-001a4bcf887a.html?comment_form%3Dtrue

Amateur radio club to host scout troops
Lompoc Record
The majority of Scouts and their adult leaders will pitch tents and camp out during the event, learning camping skills as well as something about

the hobby of amateur radio. In addition to the traditional equipment used for radio communication, Scouts ...
Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club kicks-off new yearSouthgate Amateur Radio Club

all 2 news articles

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Local amateur radio club to host Hamfest on Saturday - Rome News Tribune

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 10:40 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEJBhraZ_GNE-h2-Jf5Qt0jdiZQeA&url=http://romenews-tribune.com/view/full_story/20526811/article-Local-amateur-radio-club-to-host-Hamfest-on-Saturday?instance%3Dhome_news

Local amateur radio club to host Hamfest on Saturday
Rome News Tribune
These aspects combine every year at the Northwest Georgia Amateur Radio Clubs Al Brock Memorial Hamfest/Tailgate, which will take place this Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rome Senior Center on Riverside Parkway. Admission is free, and the ...

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Ham radio operators to team up with Boy Scouts for Jamboree on the Air - Mountain Xpress

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 10:54 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFAYb74gJLrD2JuWxKzoSjDtDtwPg&url=http://www.mountainx.com/article/46265/Ham-radio-operators-to-team-up-with-Boy-Scouts-for-Jamboree-on-the-Air

Ham radio operators to team up with Boy Scouts for Jamboree on the Air
Mountain Xpress
Local amateur radio operators will showcase their skills to the Boy Scout community at the 55th annual Jamboree on the Air, to be held this Saturday, October 21, at the WNC Agriculture Center. The following is from the monthly newsletter of the Western ...

2047. The ARRL Letter for October 18, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 02:37:46 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121018222011.52B1526DF05@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1714
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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- Solar Update
- Upcoming ARRL Section, State and Division Conventions and Events

+ Available on ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

==> + 2012 ARRL NATIONAL CONVENTION RECAP

If you missed the 2012 ARRL National Convention -- held October
12-14 in Santa Clara, California -- or you just want to relive the fun
and excitement, be sure to check out a recap of all the events on
Friday <http://www.arrl.org/news/friday-pacificon-snapshot>, Saturday
<http://www.arrl.org/news/saturday-pacificon-snapshot> and Sunday
<http://www.arrl.org/news/pacificon-sunday>. There's also a great bunch
of photos
<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.10151093787602408.445733.200692124
07&type=1&l=9adc8c9404>
from the Convention on the ARRL's Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org>.

==> + ON THE AIR: GET READY FOR JOTA THIS WEEKEND
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The 55th annual Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) is October 20-21. This 48-hour event runs from 0000 (local time) on Saturday, October 20 (right at midnight Friday) through midnight (local time) on Sunday, October 21. JOTA is an opportunity for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from all over the world to experience the magic and excitement of Amateur Radio. According to Boy Scouts of America JOTA Organizer Jim Wilson, K5ND, more than 250 JOTA stations have registered with the BSA; stations do not need to register with the BSA to participate in JOTA. "We estimate that there will be nearly 17,000 Scouts in 45 states, Puerto Rico and a few countries on the air for JOTA," Wilson told the ARRL. "We have compiled a spreadsheet that lists locations, call signs, detailed contact information, bands and modes for these stations. We invite hams to use this information in their JOTA activities." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/get-ready-for-jota-this-weekend>.

==> GET READY FOR THE 7TH ANNUAL ARRL ON-LINE AUCTION

The Seventh Annual ARRL On-Line Auction <http://www.arrl.org/auction> opened for preview on Tuesday, October 16, and will open for bidding at 10 AM EDT (1400 UTC) on Thursday, October 25. According to ARRL On-Line Auction Coordinator Lisa Tardette, KB1MOI, there is a large assortment of ARRL Product Review items, including an Elecraft KPA500 HF/6 meter power amplifier, an ICOM IC-7410 HF/6 meter transceiver, a Yaesu FT-450D HF 6 meter transceiver, a Kenwood TM-281A 2 meter FM transceiver and an MFJ-998 RT and MFJ-994BRT remote auto antenna tuner.

The ARRL On-Line Auction also features a wide assortment of books, including ARRL Handbooks from the 1920s and 1930s -- most notably, a first edition of the 1926 Radio Amateur's Handbook -- and a set of three first-day-of-issue covers of the 1964 5-cent stamp highlighting Amateur Radio (see an image of a stamp here <http://www.qsl.net/wj8c/>).

"Once again this year, bidders will find a large variety of product review equipment, vintage books, novelty items and a number of very special items that have been donated by the crew of the ABC Television's Last Man Standing, starring Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KA0XTT," Tardette explained. "In order to place a bid, you must register on the ARRL On-Line Auction website. You may browse the website and scope out those 'must-have' items without being a registered bidder, and you can register at any time during the auction. If you are interested in some great bargains -- and some great fun -- you really need to check out the ARRL On-Line Auction." The 2012 ARRL On-Line Auction runs through 11:45 PM EDT on October 31 (0345 UTC November 1). Contact Tardette via e-mail <ltardette@arrl.org> with any questions concerning the ARRL On-Line Auction.

==> + ARRL MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER ALLEN PITTS, W1AGP, RETIRES FROM LEAGUE

After more than eight years as the ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager, Allen Pitts, W1AGP, has retired. During his tenure, Pitts was

responsible for developing public relations campaigns that featured the many facets of the Amateur Radio Service: Hello Radio came first in 2006 and highlighted the fun and friendships of ham radio. It was followed by Emergency Radio, which built on the ARRL and the Amateur Radio Service's response during Hurricane Katrina. We Do That -- Radio in 2008 showed the technologies used in Amateur Radio. In 2011, the Do It Yourself (DIY) campaign was unveiled.

Building a corps of Public Information Officers (PIOs) throughout the country, Pitts believed that all news was local. "With this in mind," he explained, "I felt the best use of ARRL resources was to provide local PIOs with the very best materials we can and let them use them in their home areas." The strategy obviously worked, as the number of PIOs volunteers increased. "There are almost 200 graduates of PR-101, more than 500 subscribers to the PR e-mail reflector and the number of media hits about Amateur Radio grew larger and larger." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-media-and-public-relations-manager-allen-pitts-w1agp-retires-from-league>.

==> + POSTAGE RATES TO INCREASE IN JANUARY

The US Postal Service has announced that as of January 27, 2013, the cost to mail First Class letters, postcards and packages within the US will go up. The cost to mail a first class letter will be 46 cents, while the cost to mail a postcard will be 33 cents, an increase of 1 cent for each. This is the third increase for postcard postage in less than two years; in April 2011, the USPS boosted the postcard stamp price from 28 cents to 29 cents, and from 29 cents to 32 cents <http://www.arrl.org/news/postage-rates-to-increase-in-january> in January 2012. The USPS will also introduce a First Class Mail Global Forever Stamp in January. This new stamp will allow customers to mail 1-ounce letters anywhere in the world for one set price of $1.10. The cost to mail flat-rate Priority Mail packages and letters will also increase. Click here <http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2012/pr12_114.htm> for more information on all the 2013 postal increases.

==> + DIGITAL EDITION OF NOVEMBER QST NOW AVAILABLE

The digital version of the November QST is now available <http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201211/> to ARRL members. The digital version includes many features not available in the print version, such as:

- Video overviews of the Array Solutions AIMuhf impedance analyzer and the DZKit HT-7 40-meter AM handheld transceiver.
- A circuit board layout and additional information on how to bring your vintage receiver and transmitter together with the "Boat Anchor Buddy," by Ralph E. Taggert, WB8DQT.

Every issue of QST is filled with the news and features you need to keep active in Amateur Radio. Find all this and more in the November

issue of QST:

- Build an inexpensive HF power attenuator.
- Learn a different way to assemble PL-259 plugs.
- See PSK31 "up close."
- Put your remote antenna tuner to work on 160 meters.
- Turn back the clock with an easy single-tube transmitter.
- See how students "Reach for the Stars" with Amateur Radio.
- ...and much more!

==> + TED RAPPAPORT, N9NB, NAMED RECIPIENT OF IEEE EDUCATION AWARD

Ted Rappaport, N9NB, of New York City, has been named the recipient of the 2012 William E. Sayle Award for Achievement in Education, given by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Education Society. This prestigious award is presented annually to an IEEE Education Society member who has made significant contributions in engineering education. Rappaport, an ARRL Life Member, is a Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the Polytechnic Institute of New York University. According to the university, Rappaport was selected to receive the award "for his exceptional technical and varied contributions in the creation of research centers, educational books and software and for the creation of products in the wireless industry." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ted-rappaport-n9nb-named-recipient-of-ieee-education-award>.

==> + AT THE WORKBENCH: ATTENTION KIT BUILDERS -- THE ARRL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful, educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more advanced projects. We are looking all sorts of kits, but RF detector kits that work in the 380 MHz-2.5 GHz range are of special interest. The kits should also have a "Wow, I built this and it works!" factor. If you know of such a kit, please let us know by filling out a simple form here <http://www.arrl.org/technology> by October 31.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: Sunspot activity rose this week, with the average daily sunspot numbers up more than 45 points to 97, while the average daily solar flux rose more than 24 points to 129.2. We saw high geomagnetic activity on October 12-14, with the planetary A index at 12, 38 and 19, the college A index (in Alaska) at 18, 70 and 33 and the mid-latitude A index (measured in Virginia) at 12, 28 and 20. On October 13, a solar wind spilled through a gap in the Earth's magnetosphere, making for unsettled conditions, and aurora were seen across the northern tier states in the US. The latest prediction is for the solar flux to peak at 135 (not at 150 as predicted earlier) for October 18-21, 130 on October 22-23, 125 on October 24, 130 on October

25-28, then down to 125, 120, 115, 110, 105 and 100 for October
29-November 3, and then 105 on November 4-5, peaking again at 140 on
November 12-14. The predicted planetary A index is 8 on October 18-19,
5 and 8 on October 20-21, 5 on October 22-November 7, then 10, 20, 15,
12, 8, 8, 10 and 8 on November 8-15, and down to 5 again on November 16
through the end of November. Look for more on the ARRL website on
Friday, October 19. For more information concerning radio propagation,
visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

This Week in Radiosport

This week:

- October 15-19 -- ARRL School Club Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>
- October 19 -- NCCC Sprint, MCG Autumn Sprint
- October 20 -- Iowa QSO Party; Feld Hell Sprint
- October 20-21 -- New York QSO Party; 10-10 International Fall Contest
(CW); Stew Perry Topband Challenge; JARTS WW RTTY Contest; Worked All
Germany Contest; Araucaria VHF Contest; 10-10 International Fall
Contest (CW); W/VE Islands QSO Party
- October 21 -- Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint (CW); UBA ON Contest (2
meters)
- October 21-22 -- Illinois QSO Party
- October 22 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
- October 24 -- SKCC Sprint
- October 24-25 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- October 26 -- NCCC Sprint
- October 27-28 -- CQ WW DX Contest (SSB)

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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2048. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 19 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 06:37:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5171c8983898b04cc63bde7@google.com>
Source record: 1715
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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73rd Anniversary Coast Guard Auxillary special event radio day 10/20/12

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 06:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365226-73rd-Anniversary-Coast-Guard-Auxillary-special-event-radio-day-10-20-12&goto=newpost

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be holding a special radio event in
conjunction with their

73rd anniversary. There are many members of the auxillary that are Hams
and will be participating.

I will be on the air between 1400z to 2400z from CG Station Islamorada in
the Florida Keys ... special event call sign

K7D ....

Give us a shout!

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2049. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1836 - October 19 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 09:00:12 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121019090003.9A02033CC5@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1716
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1836 - October 19 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1836 with a release date of October 19 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. A case to be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court could limit or curtail your ability to resell your personal property including used ham radio gear; the Department of Homeland Security to provide emergency communications training at Hamvention 2013; ham radio gets new responsibilities from Army MARS; the FCC asks assistance in tracking down cellphone and GPS jamming devices. We will look into that and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1836 coming your way right now.

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LEGAL WRANGLING: SUPREME ASKED TO RULE THAT PUBLIC HAS NO RIGHT TO RESELL OWNED GOODS

How would you feel if there was a law that kept you from selling or even giving away a piece of ham gear or anything else you think you own without first getting permission from the original manufacturer? Sound crazy? Well this is a legal precedent that the United States Supreme Court has been asked to rule on as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V:

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Imagine, if you possibly can, the Dayton Hamvention, the Orlando Hamcation or the Huntsville Hamfest with no flea market.

Or, what about ham gear disappearing altogether from eBay or Craigslist.

Some fear this could be a real possibility, depending on how the U.S. Supreme Court rules in a case that could impact a nearly 104-year-old doctrine recognized by the high court that allows us to resell items without fear of a copyright holder coming after us.

The doctrine essentially says the copyright holder had control only over the first sale.

But a case decided last year in the U.S. Court of Appeals in the Second Circuit in New York has the potential to re-set that doctrine.

The case involves a man from Thailand who came to the United States in 1997 to enroll in Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

The student found that the same textbooks they were asking him to buy in the book store could be had for much less in Thailand.

The man asked his relatives there to help him buy the books and send them back overseas to him in New York.

Later, the man got some entrepreneurial spirit and court documents in the case show he decided to start selling textbooks on eBay. There's some dispute as to how much the man made on the sales.

So, the publisher of the books objects and brings a suit against him.

The publisher admits it was charging less for books sold overseas, but it claims the man was guilty of copyright infringement. But the man counters his sales are covered by that first-sale practice.

The federal appeals court in New York upheld a lower court decision saying, no, that doctrine only applies to stuff produced in the United States and not to anything made overseas.

That court's ruling, in the view of some constitutional scholars, could now throw into jeopardy the whole idea of what you buy at flea markets, or yard sales and on-line sales of used goods.

Polk Wagner, a law professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School here in Philadelphia, isn't ready to push the panic just yet with that conclusion.

Wagner says in this case, it's about copyrights...

"So the question here that the Supreme Court has got to wrestle with is to try and figure out how these two provisions of the copyright act -one that says that you can't import anything that's copyrighted without the permission of the copyright owner and also one that says lawful owners of books are allowed to do what they want with the copies of the books that they purchase," Wagner says.

He says there's a bit of conflict here...

"So, the legal question is how those two provisions of the Copyright Act work together or don't as the case may be," Wagner says. "Courts have wrestled with this for the last 5 or 10 years and have not reached any satisfactory conclusions. So, hence, the Supreme Court is going to take it up."

eBay has filed a brief on the issue warning that the Second Circuit's ruling would have significant consequences for trade and ecommerce. And, in a broader reach, the company says it could hurt small businesses and consumers and cost jobs in the U.S.

Wagner, the University of Pennsylvania law professor, says there's another area and it may involve patents.

For example, he says in cases involving ham gear, it's legal to buy overseas and import the gear. And, there's nothing under the patent laws that prevents you from reselling the gear.

However, Wagner says there's another matter and it has to do with software that may be included or needed to operate the gear.

And, while most companies or software developers will sell you a license to use their software, it's not the same thing as selling you a book. And, while Wagner says that's not at issue here it eventually it could be sorted out by the courts in the future.

Stay tuned.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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The Supreme Court is scheduled to hear oral arguments on the case on October 29th. If it does rule with the appellate court, it's likely that the matter would be brought to Congress to force a change in law. However that could take months if not years or even decades. Until then, consumers, including ham radio operators would be stuck between a rock and a hard place when trying to resell their belongings without breaking the law.

(Marketwatch, other published reports)

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RESCUE RADIO: DHS TO TEAM UP WITH DAYTON HAMVENTION ON EMCOMM TRAINING

Department of Homeland Security's Office of Emergency Communications is teaming up with the folks in Dayton to provide free emergency communications training in conjunction with Hamvention 2013. Amateur Radio Newsline's George Bowen, W2XBS, reports:

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The Department of Homeland Security's Office of Emergency Communications will be on hand at the next Dayton Hamvention. This to conduct its nationally recognized NIMS/ICS compliant Auxiliary Emergency Communications course.

The course itself focuses on a number of important aspects of emergency communications. These include auxiliary communications interoperability, emergency operation center etiquette, on-the-air etiquette, FCC rules and regulations, auxiliary communications training and planning, certification and accreditation to mention only a few. The objective of the training is intended to supplement and standardize an operator's basic knowledge of emergency amateur radio communications in a public safety context.

This Office of Emergency Communications workshop is designed for auxiliary emergency communicators who volunteer to provide backup

emergency radio communications support to public safety and emergency response professionals and their agencies. Typically this includes amateur radio communicators from groups such as MARS, ARES, RACES, SATERN and the like. The course will actually be held just prior to Hamvention, but still in the Dayton area and as part of Hamvention 2013.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm George Bowen, W2XBS, st the North-East Bureau in Albany, New York.

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Details on any pre-required training for this free course is on-line at www.hamvention.org. Information on for registering for this special free course will be posted at the same site in the near future. (Hamvention.org)

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ARMY MARS: MORE RESPONSIBILITY FOR HAM RADIO VOLUNTEERS

Stephen G. Klinefelter, Chief of the Arrmy's Military Affiliate Radio System better known as Army MARS has announced a major leadership realignment. This, at a conference of the auxiliary's Region Directors held Sept. 12th to the 14th in Dallas, Texas.

Under the new terms, volunteer ham radio operators have assumed day-to-day management responsibility previously exercised from the MARS headquarters at Ft Huachuca, Arizona. Each of the auxiliary's 11 regions will be under command of its director. Together the 11 directors will form a policy-making Governance Executive Board for the auxiliary as a whole.

This is a striking revision of the military's traditional top-down chain of command. It was symbolically activated at the first national leadership conference in the Military Auxiliary Radio System's 87-year-history.

Army MARS reports to the Network Enterprise Technology Command which manages Army computer networks and communications systems worldwide. Chief Klinefelter, who retired as a full colonel in the Signal Corps after 31 years, returned to the Network Enterprise Technology Command as a senior civilian employee and is Deputy Operations Officer G3. He added the MARS post last spring.

An in-depth article on the changes to Army Mars authored by those involved is on the Web at www.eham.net/articles/29106. (Army MARS, QRZ.com)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K4LJP repeater serving West Palm Beach, Florida.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SAYS THAT UNREGULATED PART 15 DEVICES INTERFERING WITH AVIATION WEATHER SYSTEM

The FCC has acted to curb interference to aviation Terminal Doppler Weather Radars Systems coming from unlicensed Part 15 devices. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP reports:

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The FCC's Enforcement Bureau recently took action against several companies for operating devices that caused interference to Terminal Doppler Weather Radars maintained by the Federal Aviation Administration. Terminal Doppler Weather Radars systems operating in the 5600 to 5650 MHz band are used by the FAA to obtain quantitative measurements for gust fronts, wind shear, microbursts, and similar information.

Investigations have been conducted by the FCC, the FAA, and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration in several areas of the United States and Puerto Rico. These have revealed that much of the interference stems from wireless devices sharing the same band as Terminal Doppler Weather Radars systems, and operating outdoors in the vicinity of airports at high elevations that are line-of-sight to the radar installations. Also that most are operating inconsistent with the FCC Part 15 Rules.

The Enforcement Bureau and the FAA are continuing to investigate additional areas where interference is reported to Terminal Doppler Weather Radars systems. The FCC says that it will continue to take appropriate enforcement action as necessary.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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More information on this matter is available in FCC release DA 12-459 released on September 27th and FCC Enforcement Asdvisory 2012-07 released on the same date. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC CREATES TOLL FREE NUMBER TO REPORT CELLPHONE AND GPS JAMMING

The FCC wants your help in locating anyone who is using a cellular telephone or GPS jamming device and to do this the Commission's Enforcement Bureau has launched a dedicated jammer tip line at

1-855-55-NOJAM or 1-855-556-6526. This, to make it easier for the public to report the use or sale of illegal cell phone, GPS or other signal jammers.

As has been said many times before, it is against the law to use, import, advertise, sell or ship a cellular telephone or GPS jammer or any other type of device that blocks, jams or interferes with authorized communications, whether on private or public property. As such, members of the public are being asked to call the FCC's toll free Jammer Tip Line immediately if you are aware of the ongoing use of a cell, GPS, or other signal jammer. Also please call if an employer operates a jammer in a workplace; you observe a jammer in operation at a school or college; you observe an advertisement for a jammer at a local store or you observe a jammer being operated on your local bus, train or other mass transit system.

One warning. This number is only for use to report cellphone or GPS jamming devices. Please do not call it to report that your favorite repeater is being jammed or that your QSO on 20 meters is being interfered with. Those matters will not be handled on this telephone line and will be of no interest to those taking cellphone or GPS jamming device calls.

Once again, the number where to report the use of cellphone or GPS jamming is 1-855-55-NOJAM or 1-855-556-6526. And calling that number is toll free. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: K6H - HAM RADIO CELEBRATES HOLLYWOOD FROM CBS STUDIO CENTER STAGE 9

Ham Radio Celebrates Hollywood will be a special event operation held on Sunday, October 28th from 1600 to 2000 hours U-T-C. Sponsored by Southern California's PAPA repeater system, the event using the callsign K-6-H will originate from the Stage 9 of the CBS Studio Center facility in Studio City, California.

The historic Studio Center has been the production facility for such hit programs as Will and Grace, That 70's Show, Malcolm in the Middle, Spin City, Just Shoot Me, and 3rd Rock From the Sun. Nine seasons of Seinfeld were filmed on Stage 9 except for the first four episodes, which were shot at at another facility. Stage 9 is currently the home of ABC TV's Last Man Standing, starring Tim Allen. As such, several of the hams who work on Last Man Standing will be hand to host the PAPA operators.

A number of R-F and non-RF paths will be available to contact the stage 9 commemorative operation. These include HF, VHF, UHF, D-STAR, Echolink and IRLP. The operation will also be monitoring the Broadcast Employees Amateur Radio Society ABC and Disney interconnected amateur repeater system. This links W2ABC in Manhattan, New York, WD4WDW in Orlando, Florida and WB6AJE in Los Angeles. The BEARS system can be

accessed on Echolink at WD4WDW-R.

A schedule of operating times and frequencies will be published on the PAPA website at www.papasys.com. To facilitate contacts during the event, operators will blog in real-time at www.facebook.com/KA0XTT and on @NN6JA on Twitter. A special, limited edition QSL card will be issued to all confirmed contacts during this fun national event. (NN6JA)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: ALL DIGITAL AM HD TESTING ON ITS WAY

Information is surfacing regarding NAB Radio Technology Committee plans to test all-digital AM H-D Radio technology on an existing full carrier AM radio station.

The committee has been meeting since last November to discuss technical options for the revitalization of AM. Testing would quantify both indoor and outdoor coverage. In general, the goal is to verify whether the station coverage and robustness are improved with an all-digital signal in both day and night transmission. Also to quantify any change. There's little technical data in the public arena for all-digital AM operation.

Glynn Walden is CBS Radio Senior Vice President of Engineering. He said during the fall NAB Radio Show that a test station has been chosen with testing likely to begin right after the presidential elections. Walden and other committee members declined to identify the facility but some believe it will be a CBS station in an area that could be characterized as a medium sized market. You can read more about this AM broadcast digital experiment on-line at tinyurl.com/all-digital-am. (CGC, RW)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2012 AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM REMINDER

And a reminder that the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th at the Holiday Inn Hotel at Orlando-International Airport. Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word and PDF formats are available at tinyurl.com/amsat-2012-reg. The Symposium Schedule web page has been updated with links to find more information about the planned activities. You can find it in cyberspace at tinyurl.com/symposium-program. More on the overall event is at www.amsat.org (AMSAT)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: RAC COLLECTING CLUB MEMBER BIOS FOR 2012 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

If you are a member of the Radio Club of America, please listen up. RCA is in the process of collecting data for the organizations 2012 Membership Directory that will include biographies. If you are a club member who has not yet done so, please go to tinyurl.com/rca-survey-2012 and fill out the online form. Also, please be certain to keep all biographical information on the form as space is limited. (RCA)

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AWARDS: CQ INTRODUCES 40 CQ ZONES ON 160 PLAQUE

CQ has announced the availability of a special plaque for those who have achieved contact to all 40 CQ zones on 160 meters. This is considered the most difficult of all amateur radio awards to earn and because of this the Worked All Zones 160 Meter Plaque recognizes that receiving it as one of the elite Top Band DXers. If you believe you qualify, please contact W-A-Z Award Manager Floyd Gerald, N5FG, by e-mail to n5fg (at) cq-amateur-radio (dot) com for further details. (CQ via Facebook)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: DX SUMMIT APP

Some names in the news. Kevin Schutz has released a freeware application he calls code.google.com/p/dxer/. Its primary purpose is gather information from DX Summit. Schutz says that with this data and his application, you can easily find out if you already have made a contact or not with that country. More is on-line at the shortcut of tinyurl.com/dx-summit-app. (Via e-mail)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W2ML ORAL HISTORY VIDEO RELEASED

And Steve Mendelsohn W2ML, who passed away earlier this year, was an extremely active, enthusiastic member of the ham radio community. Among other things, he was an ARRL Vice-President and ran the ham radio communications for the New York Marathon. Professionally he was a broadcast engineer for CBS and ABC, and did frequency coordination for the National Football League spending 13 years as the Game Day Coordinator for the New York Jets. Then tragedy struck as he was diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer and given only a short time to live.

Knowing that he had a vibrant story to tell, his lifelong friend Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, interviewed Steve at the 2011 Pacificon hamfest. Steve was the conventions guest of honor and it gave them what would be a final opportunity to video record an oral history of Steve's life.

Steve Mendelsohn passed away early in the morning of May 23rd. It was decided that the anniversary of the date of the interview would be apropos for its public release. As such it's now available at two locations.

Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, who edited the production, has it available at his HamRadioNow website at tinyurl.com/w2ml-video. It's also on YouTube at tinyurl.com/w2ml-life-story.

Even if you knew W2ML, and many hams did, you may yet learn a few things you did not know. If you didn't, then take this rare opportunity to hear the story of someone that many call a true trendsetter in the hobby and whose legacy will remain with us for decades to come. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: QATAR TO HOST FIRST MIDDLE EAST HAM RADIO FESTIVAL

The city of Doha will host the Qatar's first International Festival for Amateur Radio in December. This according to H E Abdullah bin Hamad Al Attiyah, who is the Chairman of the Administrative Control and Transparency Authority and the vice-chairman of the US Amateur Radio Society.

Al Attiyah, who is also chairperson of the board of directors of the Qatar Amateur Radio Society says that the festival will include a contest between amateur radio operators from all over the world. About 100 hams from across the globe will be invited to the festival to take part in the competition. The Qatar Amateur Radio Society will also establish five amateur radio stations in different parts of Doha during the festival, including the society's office and the festival venue itself.

Announcement of an exact date for this event is expected to be announced shortly. The festival is being dubbed as the first of its kind in Middle East and will take place in conjunction with the Qatar National Day celebrations.

Doha is the capital city of the state of Qatar and is located on the coast of the Persian Gulf. (The Peninsula)

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WORLDBEAT: INDIA TO ADD 839 NEW FM BROADCASAT STATIONS

India's public service broadcaster, Prasar Bharati Broadcasting, plans to soon set up 839 new FM stations in 290 cities in that nation. According to India's Secretary of the Union Information Broadcasting Ministry, these new radio stations will be a part of the country's

expanding private sector. The regions of Jammu and Kashmir are to be the focal points for what is being termed as this new broadcasting initiative. (Hindu Business Line, The Statesman, RW)

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WORLDBEAT: HOW SOLAR STORMS CREATE THE NORTHERN LIGHTS

The British Broadcasting Corporation has released a short video that explains in laymen's terms how solar storms affected the Earth's magnetic field to create the Aurora Borealis. The news story features Professor Dag Lorentzen who uses a simple diagram drawn in the snow to explain how this phenomenon of nature takes place. The story was taped in Svalbard and you can see it on line at tinyurl.com/bbc-aurora-story. (Southgate, BBC)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAMS ASKED TO HELP FIND MISSING F1 CUBESAT

An article published on the AMSAT-UK website reports that the F Space team at the F-P-T University in Viet Nam are requesting Amateur Radio operators continue to listen for their F-1 CubeSat. The mini satellite went missing shortly after it was deployed from the International Space Station on October 4 but never heard on Earth.

F 1 was expected to begin transmitting beacon alternatively on its main and backup channels 30 minutes after deployment. Its operating frequencies are on 437.485 MHz while in daylight and 145.980 in satellite darkness.

More information and guide to download F-1 telemetry decoder can be found at tinyurl.com/f1-info. Decoded data can be submitted on using a File Transfer Protocol client to thuvt (at) fpt (dot) edu Dot)vn. Audio recordings are highly appreciated. (F1 Cubesat Team)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISRAELI GPS CUBESAT BEING BUILT

Israel is planning to launch a student built ham radio microsat. The Space Duchifat-1 is an experimental and educational CubeSat being developed and built by students at the Space Laboratory of the Herzliya Science Centre.

The CubeSat will carry an APRS digipeater operating on 145.825 MHz and a UHF/VHF 1200 bps B-P-S-K transceiver that can provide a CW beacon and an FM to DSB transponder.

The main mission of the satellite is to transmit real-time information via packet radio from a Low Earth Orbit using the Automatic Position Reporting System protocol. The satellite will allow remote traveler's to access the bird for worldwide position, status reporting and messaging. This using simple handheld or mobile radios with

omni-directional whip antennas.

The project is directed by Dr. Ana Heller with support from the Herzliya city municipality and the Israeli Amateur Radio Club. At this moment no launch date or orbit details are available. (ANS)

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ON THE AIR: SAQ TO TRANSMIT ON UNITED NATIONS DAY

On the air, word that the Alexander Association will activate the giant SAQ radio-wave alternator on Wednesday, October 24th. This, in recognition of United Nations Day.

Transmissions will begin at about 10:10 UTC, and a special commemorative message will be sent at 10:30 UTC using CW on 17.2 kHz. Unfortunately, reports from the transmission cannot be confirmed by QSL card.

The Alexander Association is a group of European radio enthusiasts who preserve and demonstrate the old ultra long wave Alexanderson electro-mechanical transmitter located at Grimeton, Sweden. The site houses the only working Alexanderson rotating alternator radio transmitter in the world and is classified as a World Heritage Site.

More on the transmitter is at the society Website at www.alexander.n.se (Association Alexander)

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ON THE AIR: CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF THE PACIFIC RAILWAY ACT

And the Union Pacific Amateur Radio Club will sponsor Special Event UP150 on December 1st. The operation commemorates the 150 years since President Abraham Lincoln signed the Pacific Railway Act of 1862 and directed the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific to construct a transcontinental railroad. The event will use the call sign WOUPR. It will begin at 6am Central and end at 8 pm Pacific. Many present and past Union Pacific employees are expected to operate during that time frame in hope of talking with you. A special QSL will be available. More information is on-line at www.pocatelloarc.org/uprr. (Union Pacific ARC)

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DX

In DX, F1NGP will be active stroke FG from Saint Francois Island in Guadeloupe through October 26th. He will be operational on 40 through 10 meters on CW , SSB , RTTY QSL via his home call.

G3RWF who was expected to be active this month from Uganda 5X1NH has announced that his trip is now postponed. No reason was given.

WJ2O will be operational as 8P9DF from St. Philip, Barbados between November 21st and the 28th. Activity will be on all HF bands using mainly CW and as an entry in the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest on November 24th and 25th. Outside of the contest, he will be on 30, 17 and 12 meters. QSL via WJ2O.

HB9OAU will be on the air from the Maldives as 8Q7AU between November 26th and December 11th. Activity will be holiday style on 80 through 10 meters SSB only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

N3IQ will be operational as C6AQQ from Nassau's Providence Island between October 25th to the 31st. Activity will be mostly on the lower bands. QSL via N3IQ, direct, via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the WQorld or eQSL.

Lastly, ZL1LC planning to be operational from the Chatham Islands hrom March 21st to the 27th of 2013 as Zed-L-7-L-C. He planning to be active PSK only. No times, frequencies or QSL route have yet been announced.

Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO THE PRINCIPALITY OF SEALAND

And finally this week, do you remember Sealand? That's the self-proclaimed principality that also once claimed to be a DXCC entity. Well its still there but changes are in the wind. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, takes a look back into recent history:

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Sealand is a former United Kingdom anti-aircraft tower legally known as Roughs Tower. Its located in the North Sea some 7 nautical miles off the shore of Suffolk, England. In 1967 the tower was occupied by a retired army major named Paddy Roy Bates along with his family in 1967. On September 2nd of that year Major Bates declared the fort an independent sovereign state from the UK and renamed it Sealand. He went on to establish Sealand as a nation in 1975.

Sealand had its own constitution, flag, national anthem, stamps, passports and currency. There were even a few DXpeditions to Sealand. This included a operation by a group of German DX'ersin 1982 using Sealand's self proclaimed and unofficial callsign prefix of S-1-A. Later, in 2000 there was the Dutch-lead 1SLA1 operation, but neither of these was awarded DXCC status.

Now comes word that Major Bates passed away on October 9th, in a senior care home Essex England at the age of 91. This, after a long battle with Alzheimer's.

But the Sealand saga is far from over. His wife Joan is now expected to take over the rule of the self proclaimed nation. Also, with Sealand is

managed by the Bates family as if it were a recognised sovereign entity, and they are its hereditary royal rulers. Bates son is known as "His Royal Highness Prince Michael." He has also been referred to as the "Prince Regent" by the Bates family since 1999. In this role, he apparently serves as Sealand's acting "Head of State" and also its "Head of Government". Also, at a micro nations conference hosted by the University of Sunderland in 2004, Sealand was represented by Michael Bates' son James, who was referred to as "Prince Royal James".

Butr whomever takes on the leadership of Sealand, one thing is fairly certain. Mounting a DXpedition to Sealand in the hope of establisghing it as a new DXCC entity, woyuld likely be a very expensive waste of time.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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According a Wikipedia, the Sealand News says that a movie about Sealand is currently in development and scheduled to be released in 2013. More about this interesting location is on-line at www.sealandgov.org and also at wikipedia.com. (OPDX, Wikipedia)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

Before we go, a quick word of congratulations to Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Butera-Howell who is now Heather Embee. Heather and her new husband Jason Embee were married last weekend in Pennsylvania. Please join with us in wishing Heather and Jason many, many years of happiness and all good things together.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in southern Mississippi, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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2050. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 19 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 11:05:26 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba614202ccb48904cc677aa4@google.com>
Source record: 1717
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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JOTA station list now available

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DREj942C07o/jota_station_list_now_avail
able.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A list of UK stations that will be active for this weekend's Jamboree On
The Air is now available on the Radio Scouting website

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FITSAT-1 5840.0 MHz downlink received

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lbDp59Qd_Sg/fitsat1_5840_mhz_downlink_r
eceived.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video by radio amateur Tetsurou Satou JA0CAW shows reception in Japan
of the 5840.0 MHz downlink from the FITSAT-1 (aka NIWAKA) CubeSat that was
deployed from the ISS on October 4

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Carrickfergus Rally this Saturday

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SNFQUAprIQU/carrickfergus_rally_this_sa
turday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Group (CARG) will host the annual Radio
Rally on Saturday 20th October 2012 in Downshire Community School,
Carrickfergus

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ARISS contact with Wattsburg Area School, Erie, PA on Echolink and IRLP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QcBPvctE5cs/ariss_audio_event_1910.htm?
utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the
Wattsburg Area School District, Erie, Pennsylvania, USA on Friday 19 OCT
2012

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Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School

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STL Today reports that a new amateur radio club has started at St. Charles High School, St Charles County, Missouri

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CAS-2A1 and CAS-2A2 Amateur Radio Satellites

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CAMSAT are building two micro-satellites CAS-2A1 and CAS-2A2 to be combined into a binary star system for amateur radio communication and education

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q45xO-K2d1I/wca_1910.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew RN1CW is back with news of two operations taking place tomorrow

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DX News from the ARRL

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Tri County Amateur Radio Club on Bolivar Peninsula island

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jo9qZC0ABV0/tri_county_amateur_radio_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Tri County Amateur Radio Club of North Texas, WC5C, will participate in the W/VE Islands QSO Party (20-21 October) from (USi TX063S, Not IOTA), Galveston Bay, Galveston and Harris counties, State of Texas

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Papua New Guinea 5 island tour

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QDJa4ywKUtc/papua_new_guinea_5_island_tour.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An international team of amateur radio operators will visit 5 islands
belonging to Papua New Guinea between 20 October and 4 November, 2012

2051. balakrishna movies list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 11:29:42 UTC
From: vinay chowdary <chowdaryseo@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <3235e6af-95cc-4c17-b04a-939bfbe99245@u4g2000pbo.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1718

Viswa Vikhyatha Nata Sarvabhouma Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao Gari Nata Varasudaina Natasimha Balayya Babu.Balayya Babu First Movie Is Tatamma Kala In 1974. Balayya Babu’s Spouse Name Is Vasundharadevi And Married In The Year 1985.Balayya Babu He Has Three Childrens.Daughter Names Are Brahmani, Tejaswini Son Names Is Nandamuri Mokshagna Teja. He Is The Chairman Of Basava Taraka Cancer Hospital.He Is Very Much Interseted In Pauranika,Janapada, Sanghika Movies.He Got Two Nandi Awards And One Filmfare Award.

http://www.telugusuperheroes.com/index.php/balayya-babu-details/

2052. ntr movies list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 11:39:30 UTC
From: karthik chowdary <karthikchowdary8029@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <6cb5b935-ca99-428a-bf1c-caff37c9c55a@u4g2000pbm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1719

Viswa Vikhyatha Nata Sarvabhouma Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao Gari Mudava Tharam Loni Nata varasudaina Young Tiger Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao(Tarak).Tarak Came Into The Film Industry With Balaramayanam As Child Artist And In This Movie The Character Name Is Sri Ramudu.The Movie He Acted As Hero In Ninnu Chudali In 2001.Tarak's Spouse Name Is Laxmi Pranathi And Married In 2011 On 5th May. He Is Very Much Interseted In Pauranika,Janapada,Sanghika Movies.He Got One Nandi Award And One Film Fare Award.

http://www.telugusuperheroes.com/index.php/jr-ntr-details

2053. Mahesh Babu Movies List

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 11:39:51 UTC
From: karthik chowdary <karthikchowdary8029@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <aac5608a-c5a9-45af-a82c-9adadaf79a51@b4g2000pby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1720

Ghattamaneni Superstar Krishna Gari Nata Varasudaina Prince Mahesh Babu.Mahesh Babu Came Into The Film Industry With The Movie Raja Kumarudu(1999). Mahesh's Spouse Name Is Namratha And Married In 2005. He Has Two Childrens.Son's Name Is Gautham And Daughter Has Born Recently. Award Details He Got Six Nandi Awards For Rajakumarudu(1999), Murari(2001), TakkariDonga(2002), Nijam(2003), Arjun(2004), Athadu(2005)And Two Film Fare Awards For Okkadu(2003), Pokiri(2006).

http://www.telugusuperheroes.com/index.php/mahesh-babu-details

2054. Ram Movies List

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 11:40:14 UTC
From: karthik chowdary <karthikchowdary8029@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <42f210a7-ac23-4199-b432-31b3fa2ee535@jj5g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1721

Ram Came Into The Film Industry With The Movie Devadas In 2006 On 11th January. Ram Father’s name Is Murali Pothineni, The Brother Of Noted Film Producer Ravi Kishore Pothineni, Popularly Known As Sravanthi Ravi Kishore.Ram Born In Hyderabad On 15th 1988 May. Ram personal Details, Ram Award Details And Ram Movies Details.

http://www.telugusuperheroes.com/index.php/ram-details

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Date: 2012-10-19 11:40:40 UTC
From: karthik chowdary <karthikchowdary8029@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <fc60c963-0a6a-4a61-8b8a-e570cb880654@b4g2000pby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1722

NTR Up coming Movie Baadshah.In This Movie Kajal Agarwal is acting as actress and Other artists Acting in this movie are Prakash Raj,Nav Deep,Ritu Varma,Ahuti Prasad, Ajay,Raghu Babu,Supreet.Baadshah film is directed by Srinu Vaitla. His previous movie is Dookudu which was a blockbuster movie.Baadshah film is produced by successful producer Bandla Ganesh.In Bandla Ganesh’s career Baadshah is a high budget movie. Banner is Parameshwara Art Productions.music director is Thaman.

http://www.telugusuperheroes.com/index.php/baadshah-songs

2056. baadshah songs free download

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From: karthik chowdary <karthikchowdary8029@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <45ad4edc-97fd-42fb-8167-65f898f3c038@tr7g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1723

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2057. seethamma vakitlo sirimalle chettu songs free download

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: karthik chowdary <karthikchowdary8029@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <ea446483-fbd7-4b27-aa2d-125fdb024444@v19g2000pbt.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1724

Mahesh Babu and Venkatesh’s upcoming multi stared movie is Seethamma Vakitlo Sirimalle Chettu. SVSC movie Mahesh and Venkatesh are acting as brothers. The actresses’ in SVSC movie is Samantha and Anjali. SVSC movie is directed by Srikanth Addala. SVSC movie is produced by successful producer Dil Raju under Sri Venkateswara Productions. SVSC movie Nazar is playing a role of father for Mahesh and Venkatesh. The trailer of SVSC movie is awesome. SVSC movie music director is Mickey J Meyer.

http://www.telugusuperheroes.com/index.php/seethamma-vakitlo-sirimalle-chettu-songs

2058. svsc songs free download

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 11:41:36 UTC
From: karthik chowdary <karthikchowdary8029@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <4887c222-b662-4049-a7a0-150dc9cc80d3@mq1g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1725

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2059. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 21 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 12:51:35 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <6e2ee7ba-00d1-4e8d-82bc-9a3b02c01306@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1726
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Weekly news from the WIA:
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JOTA THIS WEEKEND (1:30)

GRANTS SCHEME

As reported in recent weeks, the 2012 WIA Clubs Grant Scheme closed for

entries on August 20th. 10 arrived in time, with one 9-days after the cut

off.

The Grants Committee consisting of Reg VK7KK, Peter VK3KCD and Bill VK4ZD had expected to announce the results tomorrow, Monday 22nd October. The timeline for this process has been extended. We will bring you updates and result as soon as they are available.

Good luck to all submissions and here's a gentle prod for everybody else next year;

"The WIA Club Grants Scheme promotes the advancement of amateur radio through WIA Affiliated Clubs by financially supporting useful and/or innovative projects undertaken or to be undertaken by Clubs."

(http://www.wia.org.au/members/clubs/clubgrant/)

30 Meter Multi Mode Weekend

The 30 Meter Multi Mode Weekend is taking place on the weekend of October 27th and 28th 2012 on the 10 MHz - 30 Meter Band (10.100 - 10.150). The objective is to promote experimenting and using different digital modes on the unique 30 Meter Band. For a more detailed listing of this event see the News Page at www.30mdg.net

The 30 Meter Digital Group (30MDG) is celebrating-.5 year Anniversary, 6,000 members (120DXCC), and its 30MDG Award Program issuing over 31,000 Award Certificates. 30MDG is FREE to join, FREE Awards program with FREE Award software - Ultimate 30 or U30).

Good Luck and as always this is NOT a contest - no start or stop times, no exchanges, no logs to send to anyone, no winners or trophy - this IS to PROMOTE AWARENESS of the 30 METER BAND and the only winners are those that participate and have fun!

(Don KB9UMT 30MDG #0001-Founder)

(aside: worldwide management/committee, including Laurie VK3AMA as Awards Manager, Database Programmer and manages the 30m Digital Spot page on the website. Yahoo Group "30MDG" typically sees 50~60 messages a month)

(wia broadcast feedback page)

QUICK CORRECTION

The VK7 "Mil-ena" Hamfest is actually in "My-eena". Somehow an extra 'ell' got in there in the middle of our newscopy.

Doing a quick map search on the internet you'll see that the closest "Milena, is a [municipality] in the Province of Caltanissetta in [...] Sicily, located about 80 km southeast of Palermo and about 30 km west of Caltanissetta."

This is clearly a little too far to visit by car on the weekend, so our unreserved apologies for misspelling, and mispronouncing Miena (My-eena).

Thanks to VK7 Regional News & Broadcast Coordinator, Justin VK7TW for bringing it to our attention this week.

(http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Milena,_Sicily)

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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WICEN Call for Assistance - Fitz's Challenge Bike Ride - Sunday 28th October

The Community Service Arm of the Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club, is seeking people to assist with two events in coming weeks:

Firstly, the Annual "Pedal Power Fitz's Challenge Bicycle Ride" taking place on Sunday 28th October.

Information of the event itself can be found at http://www.fitzs.com.au/.

For this, WICEN operation will be on VHF using the Portable Repeater VK1RWP to be installed on Mt Tennent, with VK1RBH on Bulls Head used for the latter parts of the afternoon.

Second event is the "NSW Carriage Driving Championships" which is taking place on Sunday 4th November at "Witwood" between Bungendore and Braidwood.

The WICEN operation will be on VHF and UHF simplex frequencies with the majority of operators being able to use handheld radio's.

It is normal to meet onsite at around 8:00 AM for the now standard Egg & Bacon Rolls for breakfast before a day of keeping track of the 1, 2 & maybe 4 horse power vehicles undertake their "marathon" & "obstacle" runs. This is a great one to take the family to, especially if you have horse lovers in

the family. Finish time is normally early afternoon.

If you can assist for either event, please notify Matt VK1MA and Phil VK1PL

by email to wicen@crarc.ampr.org

(Phil Longworth VK1PL)

(Deputy State Coordinator, WICEN ACT)

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web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

YARRA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO GROUP HAMFEST, SUNDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

>From 10:00am - 2pm

The Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest is on again.

This year the event will be held in Yarra Glen at the Gary

Cooper Pavilion 16 Anzac Avenue Yarra Glen. Melway 274 K1.

Over 20 tables of goodies at bargain prices. Call in on

the VK3RYV repeater 146.725MHz FM.

If you would like to book a table for this event please call

Steve on 0418103487, email yvarg yvarg.org.au .

The club will put on a BBQ. Tea and coffee will be available free.

Yarra Valley Hamfest 2012 Don't miss out on the bargains.

Web: http://yvarg.org.au

SOUTHERN PENINSULA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (SPARC), ROSEBUD HAMFEST

SUNDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

This hamfest will be held at the Eastbourne Primary School

auditorium, Allambi Avenue, Rosebud, Victoria, on Sunday

November 25th 2012.

The event is now on Facebook under the name of "Rosebud

RadioFest". Check in to stay tuned about our progress, leave

a message, ask questions or just say "Hi".

The Rosebud Hamfest contact is:

Mark Bruechert (VK3PDG)

markybradio at gmail.com & phone 0407844063

WICEN Vic: Australian 4 Day Enduro Event: 24 - 26 October

The Australian 4 Day Enduro motorbike event is scheduled for
this Wednesday to Friday inclusive.
WICEN Vic is a couple of operators short, so if you could assist,
it would be greatly appreciated.
The event is being run in the area east and north of Warragul, with
the event HQ at Buln Buln (just north of Warragul) and the event
itself in the area south and west of Noojee. Access to checkpoints
is over good gravel roads; 4WD is not required.
The communications will be 2m voice with 40m HF as backup.
If you can assist, please contact John Morrissey VK3ZRX on
0419 872 772 or jbmorrissey@netspace.net.au. Alternatively,
you can contact Chris Morley VK3CJK on chris.morley@gdfsuezau.com.
VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/
get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
[Audio Provided]
Amateur TV - In South East Queensland. Hello, this is Peter, VK4EA.
The Brisbane Digital Amateur TV Group have moved the VK4RKC 70cm output to
446.5MHz in line with Amateurs losing the 420 to 430MHz spectrum. ACMA
issued the same output frequency to VK4RKC as VK4RMG (South East Queensland
ATV Group) after much negotiation between BDATV, the WIA and the ACMA. What
this means is now one 70cm ATV frequency has to be shared by two groups
with similar interests. We are hopeful a gentlemens agreement will be
reached between the two Groups soon to ensure all ATV enthusists can
utilise this valuable resource without interference.
To receive VK4RKC you need a settop box capable of manual tuning and an
antenna pointed toward Oceanview. Appropriate settop boxes are available
for less than $50 from various retailers. To transmit to VK4RKC you can
use either 1250 MHz DVB-S, 1250 MHz FM or a very economical solution for

sub $100 via 2.415GHz. VK4RKC will continue to maintain the 1250MHz FM input so your existing investment in ATV is not forgone.

Repeater id beacon has been reduced to 30 seconds as per the WIA conditions, put out a call on 147.400 MHz (simplex) if need a signal to help with setting up your receiver.

Every Monday evening the Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club broadcast's their meetings live to air from about 7.30pm, and also keep an eye out for regular programming from VK4BTV screening HamNation and other Amateur Radio related programs at the same 7.30 pm time slot. This is a great example of ATV usage, we welcome any local Amateur Radio related content at any time of the day, please get in touch if you are interested.

The email and website addresses are in the text edition of this broadcast (badtv@people.net.au - http://members.optusnet.com.au/~cardenrj/), or you can just Google "VK4RKC".

Liasion is via the WIA band plan specificed ATV liasion simplex frequency - 147.400MHz.

This has been Peter, VK4EA, on behalf of the BADTV Group

[Audio Provided]

HISTORY OF JOTA (2:00)

SILENT KEY

Ray Naughton VK3ATN

Ray passed away on the 15th of September. Ray was 83.

Ray had a wealth of radio knowledge but was best known for his moon bounce work in the early sixties. In fact Ray Naughton was the first in the southern hemisphere to work stations in the northern hemisphere by Moonbounce.

Quite a feat in the early sixties when most amateur equipment used valves and was largely home made. And off course without the aid of computers as we know them today.

Through that work Ray was presented with an ARRL award and also received a trip to America where he traveled thousands of miles visiting leading moon

bouncers and many other radio installations.

Ray operated ATN Antennas at Birchip over a period of some 40 years.

Noel VK3FI reports that he last spoke to Ray several months ago, and although he had been in and out of hospital after a series of strokes - he was still saying "when I get back to the factory etc". Ray certainly had a determined outlook right to the end.

Ray Naughton will be remembered within the Sunraysia Radio Group through the ongoing "VK3ATN Technical Merit Award"

The aim of that award is to encourage Sunraysia Radio Group members to become more involved with technical projects. The VK3ATN Technical Merit Award is presented annually after being decided by nomination and members votes.

A heavily edited version of Ray VK3ATN presentation at the 2009 Sunraysia Radio Group AGM, may be viewed by going to You Tube and searching VK3ATN.

Ray leaves xyl Margaret, Sons Trevor, Peter, David and daughter Jennifer.

Vale - Ray Naughton VK3ATN

(Many articles from QST 1960's editions found online)

(http://www.ok2kkw.com/eme1960/eme1965eng.htm)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, AR Victoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Multiple changes proposed to US Amateur Service Rules

The FCC has released a 'Notice of Proposed Rule Making' which includes a number of changes that could redefine large swathes of the United States Amateur Radio service.

While not effecting Australian Amateurs they are interesting as points of discussion and comparison to our own regulatory arrangements.

In brief, a change to rules to no longer require retesting of hams who have let their licence expire. The argument in favour of the change cites that many amateurs maintain their payments while not actively engaged in the hobby and are not required to reassert their competency. They are looking for acknowledgement of past examinations in the same way we do here, in VK.

In the area of training, the FCC seeks a change from the requirement of 3

examiners to two and to allow for modern alternatives for remote testing stations like those already employed widely in the enterprise and education sectors.

What is of more interest to VK amateurs is the possibility of more emmission types entering the amateur service.

Here's Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, introducing comments by CQ Magazine's editor:

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Rich Moseson, W2VU, is editor of CQ Magazine, and Amateur Radio Newsline called upon him for his take on the proposals.

Moseson says he's encouraged by the proposal looking at the modes for amateur radio transmissions. He says there are too many restrictions and limitations on hams which can stifle rather than encourage experimentation.

He says the FCC is wise to look at the issue, especially considering the area of TDMA or Time Division Multiple Access technology for amateur radio.

"I think that the more that we can do with them as hams, in addition to what the commercial world is doing, the better off we'll all be because that competition is a fact of life," Moseson says. "You know, you look at our microwave bands which are really where a lot of the future is going to be - 2.4 Ghz, 5.8 Ghz - these bands are already shared.

"And if we can make better use of that sharing so that we can do what we want to do without bothering the other people and without having them bother us then that's great we can all get by very well."

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V in Philadelphia.

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[audio available]

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW JOTA/JOTI October 21

VK3 Melbourne Cup Day 160m Net November 6

VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

HOW TO TALK TO A SCOUT ON JOTA (2:00)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

The Morning Coffee Break Net

A long established tradition in VK3 is a net on 1843 kHz in the AM mode running from 11am to noon Monday to Saturday.

Regularly participants of this Australian net seek advice on their equipment or antenna problems, restoration of old gear and where to get bits and parts. It seems that there's always someone who can come up with the answers and good advice including experienced people who have worked in the broadcasting industry.

For those unable to get on air at 11am, the Melbourne Cup Day public holiday in VK3 is one of a few opportunities to get involved, and typically seen as an opportunity to get portable.

So, with a couple of weeks left, and for many of you a long weekend before hand, there's still time to get a 160m antenna arranged and work topband!

You can find a number of youtube videos by Peter VK3YE with recordings of previous efforts, and some explaining the toploaded verticals and loop antenna designs on his website.

(www.youtube.com/user/vk3ye)

(www.vk3ye.com)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

VK IARUMS reflector email to subscribe intruders@wia.org.au

INTRUDER REPORT: CHINESE OTH RADAR GAIN HARASSING 40 METERS

The IARU Monitoring System newsletter reports that Radio Hargeisa is operating on 7.120 MHz and that Chinese surveillance radar in the amateur radio 40 meter band is now stronger than ever before

According to the report, the pesky Chinese Over the Horizon Radar had left the 40 meter band for few weeks. But now its reported back with a very strong burst system. One that is at least 10 kHz wide and has an almost S9 signal, world-wide. IARU Regions 1 and 3 are reported to be severely affected by it.

More about both of these situations is on-line at

tinyurl.com/china-radar-again.

(IRUMS)

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: ULTRA HIGH DEFINITION TV SYSTEM

EXPECTS ITU APPROVAL

The next generation of super high definition television may

soon be on its way as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's

Jim Damron, N8TMW:

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Ultra High Definition Television also known under the

acronym Super Hi-Vision, will likely be approved by the

International Telecommunication Union as the next generation

universal global television standard.

Developed by public broadcaster NHK at its Science and

Technical Research Laboratories, Ultra High Definition

Television is a system that delivers 16 times the resolution

of current high definition images. The new format can

deliver images with 33 million pixels through 7,680

horizontal lines and 4,320 vertical lines. It also boasts a

video refresh rate of 120 frames per second, as well as 22.2

channel multi-dimensional sound.

The system is collaboration between NHK along with

electronics manufacturers Panasonic and Sharp.

>From Charleston West Virginia, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW,

reporting. [ARNewsline]

[AUDIO AVAILABLE]

(1:09)

MEDIA WATCH

www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html

VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/

VK2 CCARC news ccarc.org.au/wp/2012/09/ccarc-news-12-31/

THE ARRL OFFERS FIVE NEW BOOKS

The ARRL has just released five new books that you are going to want to have in your shack. Two favorites have been re-released and are chock-full of new information: hardcover and softcover editions of The ARRL Handbook for Radio Communications (90th edition), The ARRL Operating Manual (10th edition). In addition, the ARRL is proud to offer three new titles: The Amateur Radio Public Service Handbook, The Care and Feeding of Transmission Lines by QST Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR, and Antenna Modeling for Beginners by H. Ward Silver, N0AX. Read more at www.arrl.org

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING

http://www.scouts.com.au

http://www.scout.org/jota

http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES

Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:

3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:

3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:

3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360, 24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):

3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31

14.070

SCOUTS AND AMATEUR RADIO (2:00)

[AUDIO UPLOADED]

[NEED TEXT]

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

OCT 21 VK3 BALLARAT HAMVENTION

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

DEC 1 VK7 Miena Hamfest (CORRECTION: "My-eena", not Mil-ena)

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the

VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on

wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being

broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only

be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different

slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your

item write in the 3rd person.

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the actual broadcast date, e-mail nationalnews@wia.org.au

Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may

lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might

even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize

their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to

active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

2060. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 19 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 16:19:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fceb76f004cc6bdd6a@google.com>
Source record: 1727
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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LT0X Penguin Island

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365343-LT0X-Penguin-Island&goto=newpost

LU3XEM , LU3XEI , LU1XBF , LU5VAT , LU7DSY will be active from Penguin
Island (Isla Pinguino) IOTA SA-087 2-4 November 2012 as LT0X

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...isla-pinguino/

73 Al 4L5A

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T88ON Palau Islands

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 11:46 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365258-T88ON-Palau-Islands&goto=newpost

JA3JND will be active from Palau Islands 9-13 November 2012 as T88ON

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...palau-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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Special Event Station W8NP

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 11:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365253-Special-Event-Station-W8NP&goto=newpost

Special Event Station W8NP 85th anniversary for the Massillon,Ohio Am.
Radio Club will be on the air Oct. 18-20,2012 10 AM to 12 AM Eastern Time
10 meters to 80 meters ,SSB,CW,and PSK 31 near 14.070. QSL infomation at
W8NP.org or mail QSL to MARC, P.O. Box 73 , Massillon, Ohio 44648.

2061. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 19 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 16:51:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5186db24b93d204cc6c5133@google.com>
Source record: 1728
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1836 October 19 2012

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 09:00 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365310-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1836--October-19-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1836 ☐ October 19 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1836 with a release date of October 19 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. A case to be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court could limit or curtail your ability to resell your personal property including used ham radio gear; the Department of Homeland Security to provide emergency communications training at Hamvention 2013; ham radio gets new responsibilities from Army MARS; the FCC asks assistance in tracking down cellphone and GPS jamming devices. We will look into that and more on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1836 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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LEGAL WRANGLING: SUPREME ASKED TO RULE THAT PUBLIC HAS NO RIGHT TO RESELL OWNED GOODS

How would you feel if there was a law that kept you from selling or even giving away a piece of ham gear or anything else you think you own without first getting permission from the original manufacturer? Sound crazy? Well this is a legal precedent that the United States Supreme Court has been asked to rule on as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Mark Abramowicz, NT3V:

2062. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 260

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 19:15:11 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <00FF67C01518464D821812AC3EAE8058@TERMINALSERVER>
Source record: 1729
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 260

19th October 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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· ZL9HR DX'Pedition update

· Amateur Radio Property for sale – attachment.

Debby says…my sincere apologies for missing the October 5th issue of HQ Info-line, I was unable to come to work due to an injury. Sadly I have not received one complaint that it wasn't sent out…does this mean that no-one reads it?!

It is not NZART policy to advertise real estate, however there are extenuating circumstances stances to why this has been included in this issue. John Nixon (ZL1FR, VK4BJN) has a property here in New Zealand that he would love to be able to sell to a fellow ham. John is undergoing treatment and is critically ill in Australia, so has asked if we would help. John's contact details can be found on the pdf file attachment to this issue of HQ Info-line, together with a small photo and description of the property.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Close Down of Channel 1 and Amateur use of 50 to 51 MHz

As many members are aware, the bottom end of the 6 metre band (50 to 51 MHz) is to be returned to Amateurs once all Channel 1 television has ceased and the current management right for this expires.

What may not be known is that the last channel 1 television transmitter is not due to close down until November 2013 and the management right under which they operate does not expire until August 2015.

NZART is working with Radio Spectrum Management on arrangements for the period between when all the Channel 1 transmitters are turned off and the management right expires.

In the interim, the current arrangements will continue; an amateur in an area where channel 1 is no longer operating can apply for a permit to operate (see http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/licensees/types-of-licence/amateur-licences) by contacting Radio Spectrum Management at info@rsm.govt.nz or on 0508 RSM INFO (0508 776 463) .

Don Wallace, ZL2TLL, NZART Administration Liaison Officer

Proposed Waipa District Plan

Waipa District Council is reviewing its district plan and NZART has made a submission to incorporate the gains made in Tauranga City into the Waipa plan.

If you wish to read the NZART submission, either go directly to http://www.waipadc.govt.nz/NR/rdonlyres/A005939D-5CEC-4D3A-AA88-48CB4B6A9386/83429/260NewZealandAssociationofRadioTransmittersIncorpo.pdf

or you can navigate your way through the Council's web-site – look for submission 260.

Waipa DC has called for further submissions. Included as an attachment to this issue of InfoLine is a pro forma further submission to the proposed Waipa District Plan.

(If you want an original I can send it to you as a doc, odt or pdf file.) Alternatively you could look at the NZART web-site Antennas and Planning area (give me a couple of days to get it posted).

You can help by forwarding a further submission to the Council which could assist building the weight of argument to bear on the Council. Further submissions can be mailed or emailed to the Council. Mail and email address are shown on the pro forma submission, Submissions must reach Waipa DC by 5pm on Wednesday 7 November 2012. You need to enter your full name, address for service, and email address.

You don't have to use the proforma form, instead you may wish to enter your reasons for your submission in your own words. In that case you can get the form from the Waipa DC web-site which is www.waipadc.govt.nz, or send an email request to zl1bnb@nzart.org.nz

You also need to forward a copy of your submission in support to zl1bnb@clear.net.nz, do this as a cc if you email your submission to the Council. You don't need to sign a submission that you sent by email.

For any further information, please email me, Mike Newman,
zl1bnb@nzart.org.nz

Let's send a strong message to Waipa DC. Your submission will count.

Phasing out of International Reply Coupons

I have just received the following response from Royal Mail to my
enquiry
about the rumoured phasing out of IRCs

"Due to declining international mail volumes and electronic
substitution,
customer demand for International Reply Coupons has been falling
dramatically over the last few years. Overall sales of International
Reply
Coupons have been very low indeed - on average just 4 per annum bought
from
each Post Office branch. Therefore, it was no longer commercially
viable to
maintain the sale of coupons and Royal Mail has taken the decision to
withdraw them from sale.

International Reply Coupons have not been withdrawn globally from
sale.
Under UPU regulations Royal Mail through Post Office Counters is
obliged to
redeem International Reply Coupons presented having been purchased
overseas,
but we are not obliged to sell them. However, I can confirm that
customer
have up to December 2013 to redeem IRCs."

This seems to be much more in line with the Royal Mail's
responsibilities
under their UPU membership. Looks like they're safe until 31st
December
2013. It may be that the UPU will change their rules after that date
(which
would be no bad thing IMHO).

73 for now

Phil Whitchurch
G3SWH and AD5YS
www.g3swh.org.uk

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 260

Annual License Fees for Beacons Links and Repeaters

Most of the Licences fall due for renewal during November, which is
RSM's “Billing Month” for licences in the name of NZART.

Early in November, FMTAG will send Invoices, for $51.11 per licence, to the following Branches:

05 Christchurch 26
Nelson

28 Whangarei 34
South Canterbury

37 Southland 38
Taumarunui

48 Wanganui 49
Westland

51 Eastern Bay of Plenty 56
Christchurch West

67 Kawerau 78
Far North

82 Southern Wairarapa 84 Bay of
Islands

87 South Taranaki CARDS

Other Branches will receive their Invoices direct from RSM, by email, to the address registered in SMART.

Many of these Branches have an RSM “Billing Month” of November. However, the “Billing Month” of a particular licence can be confirmed by the following method. Go to:
http://www.rsm.govt.nz/smart-web/smart/page/-smart/WelcomePage.wdk

Click on “Search Licences”.

Enter the transmit frequency in the box “Frequency (From)”.

Click on the “Search” button.

All stations on that frequency will be displayed.

Click on the blue underlined number, at the left-hand-side of the screen, of the appropriate station.

The Licence will appear.

The line “Fees paid on” displays the “Billing Month” of the Licence.

Proposals

None this time.

Final recommendation to NZART Council

None this time.

NZART Council Approval

On the 2nd of October, NZART Council approved the following Final Recommendation, published as a Proposal in HQ InfoLine 258:

Branch 39 Tauranga. Frequency change of its 885 Repeater at Papamoa, located at TOPO50 BD37 894.73 184.87. The new repeater transmit frequency is 433.025 MHz and the receive frequency is 438.025 MHz.

Comments and applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above matters, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website: http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST COMMITTEE REMINDER

Time is running out for submitting logs for the Microwave Contest, held on the 6th and 7th of October 2011. Please send all remaining logs by email to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz, with Contest Log in the subject line.

The Next Contest

The next contest is the Field Day Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the DX Weekend Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of February 2013. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The Contest Rules are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz with Contest Log in the subject line, or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

30 Meter Multi Mode Weekend

When: October 27th and 28th 2012

Where: 10 MHz - 30 Meter Band (10.100 – 10.150)

Objective: To promote experimenting and using different digital modes on the unique 30 Meter Band.

For a more detailed listing of this event go here:

http://www.30mdg.net/news.html

The 30 Meter Digital Group (30MDG) is celebrating….5 year Anniversary, 6,000 members (120DXCC), and our 30MDG Award Program issuing over 31,000 Award Certificates. 30MDG is FREE to join, FREE Awards program with FREE Award software – Ultimate 30 or U30).

GL and as always this is NOT a contest – no start or stop times, no exchanges, no logs to send to anyone, no winners or trophy – this IS to PROMOTE AWARENESS of the 30 METER BAND and the only winners are those that participate and have fun!

Don KB9UMT 30MDG#0001-Founder

And the 30MDG “Team”

http://www.30mdg.net

ZL9HR DX’Pedition Update

Fifteenth most wanted DXCC location entity – Campbell Island will soon drop down the charts as many, many Radio Hams work ZL9HR between November 28th. and December 9th. Campbell Island is at IOTA OC-037 600Km south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean.

While the equipment makes its way down to New Zealand, I wanted to highlight some essential parts of the DX'Pedition organisation that are not always obvious.

DX'Pedition "Pilots".
The “pilots” are assigned, for Europe it's Col MM0NDX, For Australia & New Zealand it's Peter VK2NN, for Africa it's Andre V51B, for the Pacific region Stan KH6CG is doing the honours and last but not least we have Richard KY6R in Western USA.

For those who haven't come across Pilots before they act as a conduit between amateurs trying to contact the DX'Pedition and the DX'Pedition leaders. The Pilot doesn't play God - but is a faithful "technical support agent" whose boss is the leader of the DX'Pedition. The pilot may tell the DX'Pedition that he is receiving a lot of requests for a particular mode or band from a certain area of the world and if justified, the DX'Pedition may look at changing planned operations to

fit this need as much as they can. Pilots often have to put up with abuse from idiots. It's not an easy job! Pilots are volunteers and form another part of the DX'Pedition that is crucial to its success. All amateurs owe a vote of thanks to the pilots of this and all other DX'Peditions for the work they kindly perform. So if you communicate with a DX'Pedition pilot, show them some respect – remember they don't have to do this work!

Please refer to the web site ZL9HR.COM for the full, up to date, information about the major ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Nov 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy. All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Nov 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 28th October. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 2nd November 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 1st November 2012.

Attachments to this issue:

Waipa DC proforma submission

John Nixon Property offer

You have received this message because you are subscribed on an NZART infoline list.

If you wish to be removed from this list, please visit:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/join/e-mail-lists/join-infoline-list/

2063. eHam.net News for Friday 19 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-19 22:21:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <0016368e1c3403ca3d04cc70ecf4@google.com>
Source record: 1730
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #42 de K7RA:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:28 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29174

Sunspot activity rose this week, with average daily sunspot numbers
up over 45 points to 97, and average daily solar flux rising over 24
points to 129.2. October 12-14 had high geomagnetic activity, with a
planetary A index at 12, 38 and 19, college A index (in Alaska) at
18, 70 and 33, and mid-latitude A index (measured in Virginia) at
12, 28 and 20. On October 13 solar wind spilled through a gap in our
Earth's magnetosphere, unsettling conditions here. Aurora was seen
across the northern tier states in the United States.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #43:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:27 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29173

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by
NC1L, W3UR, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News,
The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest
Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:27 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29171

This Week in Radiosport:

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2012 ARRL National Convention Recap:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:26 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29170

If you missed the 2012 ARRL National Convention -- held October
12-14 in Santa Clara, California -- or you just want to relive the fun
and excitement, be sure to check out a recap of all the events on
Friday , Saturday
and Sunday.

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Get Ready for JOTA this Weekend:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:23 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29169

The 55th annual Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) is October 20-21. This 48-hour event runs from 0000 (local time) on Saturday, October 20 (right at midnight Friday) through midnight (local time) on Sunday, October 21. JOTA is an opportunity for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from all over the world to experience the magic and excitement of Amateur Radio.

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Get Ready for the 7th Annual ARRL On-Line Auction:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:24 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29168

The Seventh Annual ARRL On-Line Auction opened for preview on Tuesday, October 16, and will open for bidding at
10 AM EDT (1400 UTC) on Thursday, October 25. According to ARRL On-Line Auction Coordinator Lisa Tardette, KB1MOI, there is a large assortment of ARRL Product Review items, including an Elecraft KPA500 HF/6 meter power amplifier, an ICOM IC-7410 HF/6 meter transceiver, a Yaesu FT-450D HF 6 meter transceiver, a Kenwood TM-281A 2 meter FM transceiver and an MFJ-998 RT and MFJ-994BRT remote auto antenna tuner.

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ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, Retires:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:25 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29167

After more than eight years as the ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager, Allen Pitts, W1AGP, has retired. During his tenure, Pitts was responsible for developing public relations campaigns that featured the many facets of the Amateur Radio Service: Hello Radio came first in 2006 and highlighted the fun and friendships of ham radio. It was followed by Emergency Radio, which built on the ARRL and the Amateur Radio Service's response during Hurricane Katrina. We Do That -- Radio in 2008 showed the technologies used in Amateur Radio. In 2011, the Do It Yourself (DIY) campaign was unveiled.

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Postage Rates to Increase in January:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:25 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29166

The US Postal Service has announced that as of January 27, 2013, the cost to mail First Class letters, postcards and packages within the US will go up. The cost to mail a first class letter will be 46 cents, while the cost to mail a postcard will be 33 cents, an increase of 1 cent for each.

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Ted Rappaport, N9NB, Named Recipient of IEEE Education Award:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:24 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29165

Ted Rappaport, N9NB, of New York City, has been named the recipient of the 2012 William E. Sayle Award for Achievement in Education, given by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Education Society. This prestigious award is presented annually to an IEEE Education Society member who has made significant contributions in engineering education.

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Attention Kit Builders -- The ARRL Wants to Hear from You!

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:23 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29164

The ARRL wants to hear from kit builders about simple, useful, educational and exciting kits. These kits should have a high probability for success and would serve as stepping stones for more advanced projects.

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ARNewsline Report 1836 -- Oct 19 2012:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:22 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29158

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1836
with a release date of October 19 2012 to
follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

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Fire Department Trains for Phone Failure with Amateur Radio Operators:

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 03:35 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29157

The training exercise, held Saturday in Troy, simulated a widespread telephone failure in the city. This past Saturday, the Troy Fire Department initiated a Simulated Emergency Test in conjunction with the Oakland County Amateur Radio Public Service Corps. The ARPSC is a group of trained volunteer amateur radio operators organized under the Oakland County Homeland Security Division, whose purpose is to assist in public service and emergency radio communications. ARPSC includes Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES), and SKYWARN. The SET scenario was that of a telephone failure within the city, necessitating the assistance of the ARPSC. Amateur radio operators were positioned at each of Troy's six fire stations, ready to relay requests for municipal services from the public in the form of preformatted messages simulating various types of requests. Additionally, amateur radio operators were located at the Troy Fire Emergency Operations Center to receive those requests for service and relay them to the appropriate authorities.

2064. HOT HOT HOT VIDEOS AND COLLEGE GIRLS SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 01:43:56 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <cb9fdd8f-6c11-4b7d-a661-ae888cfaf69d@ph9g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1731

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2065. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 19 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 02:48:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303f6e48e0cf9104cc74a8ab@google.com>
Source record: 1732
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Boy Scouts to hold worldwide radio event - Bryan-College Station Eagle

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 11:52 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGJcGrb5nZYjRYGY-40GVPszR_B0g&url=http://www.theeagle.com/news/local/article_98a16fdf-71cc-5fdd-83cd-6f1c5128e632.html

Boy Scouts to hold worldwide radio event
Bryan-College Station Eagle
The Bryan Amateur Radio Club and the Texas A&M Amateur Radio Club will spend eight hours getting Cub Scouts on the air Saturday. The event, which is closed to the public, enables the scouts to talk to each other across the globe by radio. Licensed ...
Ham radio operators to team up with Boy Scouts for Jamboree on the
AirMountain Xpress

all 3 news articles

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ARNewsline Report 1836 -- Oct 19 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 01:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE6uCoqsDJBCwoMykiDgnXow3F2iA&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29158

ARNewsline Report 1836 -- Oct 19 2012:
eHam.net
A case to be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court could limit or curtail your ability to resell your personal property including used ham radio gear; the Department of Homeland Security to provide emergency communications training at Hamvention 2013; ham ...

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ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, Retires: - eHam.net

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 01:28 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGJpMmlOXF_Jd-VvU_S5Ng4MtPNRw&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29167

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eHam.net
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Radio came first in 2006 and highlighted the fun and friendships of ham radio. It was followed by ...

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Wattsburg students speak with astronaut in space - GoErie.com

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 01:12 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE27cw2wLgQI7aR9VubB_1LkCdgfA&url=http://www.goerie.com/article/20121019/NEWS02/310199882/Wattsburg-students-speak-with-astronaut-in-space

Wattsburg students speak with astronaut in space
GoErie.com
About 500 district students were at Seneca High Schools Elwin Rose Auditorium at noon for the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station -- or ARISS -- program. Student questions included things like "What do astronauts do on the space station ...
Wattsburg Area Students Make Out of This World CallErieTVNews

all 2 news articles

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Ham radio fall campout and training - Emery County Progress

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 12:57 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHEwt7E9-iMZ4My4smDxzX81kw2nQ&url=http://www.ecprogress.com/index.php?tier%3D1%26article_id%3D13138

Ham radio fall campout and training
Emery County Progress
21-22, the Sinbad Desert Amateur Radio Club held their Fall Campout at the Wedge Campground. At that campground the members participated in setting up HAM radios with long and/or tall antennas to make contact with other HAM radio operators around ...

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Gray HamFest at BMS Saturday - TriCities.com

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 06:20 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFkb_MAM9lsGije59Ca89HCtbUPew&url=http://www2.tricities.com/news/2012/oct/19/gray-hamfest-bms-saturday-ar-2297652/

Gray HamFest at BMS Saturday
TriCities.com
About 1,000 amateur radio operators from eight states are expected to attend todays event, at Gates 6 and 7 at the track, according to a written statement announcing the event. Ham operators can gather and trade equipment in the parking lot by the ...

and more

2066. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 20 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 06:24:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f923d3c9fafe104cc77acc0@google.com>
Source record: 1733
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Junk in the trunk Gulfport, Ms

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 08:11 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365357-Junk-in-the-trunk-Gulfport-Ms&goto=newpost

Ed Byrd KA5VFU is going to host a junk in the trunk Nov 17, 2012 at his
home on Landon Rd in Gulfport, Mississippi. Everybody is invited to buy
sell or trade or just sit and hang out like old friends. There will be
hamburgers and hot dogs and while donations are accepted there is no charge.

Bring friends that you would like to see get interested in ham radio. All
are welcome.

Thank you

73

Anthony

W6CSA

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Yavapai Amateur Radio Club Hamfest, Dewey, AZ (Prescott Valley Area)

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 04:55 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365330-Yavapai-Amateur-Radio-Club-Hamfest-Dewey-AZ-(Prescott-Valley-Area)&goto=newpost

Saturday, October 20th, 2012

8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

BackStreet Farmer□s Market

622 S. Bennett Dr.

DEWEY, AZ 86327

See the following flier for more details and directions.

http://w7yrc.org/pdf-files/YARC%20swapmeet.pdf

I will be there looking around, but I will have sign on my back selling a
Tr-Ex 50 ft crank-up tower. I won't have the tower on my back, just the
sign. I will see if i can get the XYL to wear one too.

2067. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 20 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 11:05:30 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93405b3cff81904cc7b98d5@google.com>
Source record: 1734
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Live broadcast of GQRP Convention talks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C8s1aEfoLxg/live_broadcast_of_gqrp_convention_talks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For those who cannot attend the GQRP Convention on Saturday, October 20,
Steve, G4GXL will be streaming the presentations live on the web

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APRS for JOTA, Everywhere!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LDSBtq_mmIs/aprs_for_jota_everywhere.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bob Bruninga WB4APR explains how you can use your APRS radio for global
contacts at your JOTA station this weekend

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Cuban Amateur Radio Satellite Group National Meeting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NWSlU9J5rjw/cuban_amateur_radio_satellite_group_national_meeting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Raydel Espinet CM2ESP brings news of the first national meeting of the
Cuban amateur radio satellite group and special event station T47G will be
on the air during the meeting Nov. 8-11

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TV News reports High Speed Telegraphy World Championship

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yQ-U7RD3MFE/high_speed_telegraphy_world_championship.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2012 High Speed Telegraphy World Championship is being held in
Beatenberg, Switzerland, October 17-21 and has featured on Swiss TV

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Great conditions on 10m

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Mzse7oTFN8s/great_conditions_on_10m.htm

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Chelmsford radio amateur Charlie M0PZT has just worked N1MM of logbook
software fame on 28 MHz

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New Zealand hopes to get 50-51 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lGRLtG5RuHM/new_zealand_hopes_to_get_50
_51_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateurs in New Zealand hope to get 50-51 MHz when Channel 1 TV shuts
down

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30 Meter Multi Mode Weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ngA2CCWEWxA/30_meter_multi_mode_weekend
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The objective of the weekend is to promote experimenting and using
different digital modes on the unique 30 Meter Band

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/V52VAi4bmqg/042_october_20.htm?utm_sour
ce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Sunspot activity rose this week, with average daily sunspot numbers up over
45 points to 97, and average daily solar flux rising over 24 points to 129.2

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Portuguese JOTA station list 2012 now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w22b1UfRiVI/portuguese_jota_list.htm?ut
m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A list of portuguese stations that will be active for this weekend's
Jamboree On The Air is now available on the Radio Scouting website of Corpo
Nacional de Escutas - CNE

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Ofcom - ECC Decision on AM SSB CB apparatus

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Otyb_7GtPCk/ofcom_ecc_decision_on_am_ss
b_cb_apparatus.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In June 2011 the ECC published a Decision harmonizing CB radio across the
European Union but until now Ofcom have dragged their heels in implementing
it

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Jamming interrupts Western broadcasters

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n45_PnR70Ns/jamming_interrupts_western_broadcasters.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Programming from the Deutsche Welle and other foreign broadcasters has been jammed in parts of the Middle East. DW Director General Erik Betterman called the interruption an attack on freedom of the press

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RSGB Data Protection Policy - Educational video and Quiz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8wEoZ58BvwU/rsgb_data_protection_policy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB have made available an educational video and quiz regarding their data protection policy

2068. SARL News in English 20/10/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 16:22:37 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <C407A23868654A80B5DAEC1C51DDE20C@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1735
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 21 October 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SARL TAKES UP ZONING REGULATIONS WITH THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN

CQ INTRODUCES 40 CQ ZONES ON 160 PLAQUE

MORE CLUBS AFFILIATE WITH THE SARL

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL TAKES UP ZONING REGULATIONS WITH THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN

SARL President, Rassie Erasmus, ZS1Y,T and the SARL Legal advisor. Johan Marais, ZS1JM, met with a delegation of the Cape Town Metro to intervene in a notice received by a SARL member stating that he requires approval in terms of the Environmental Act & City of Cape Town Zoning regulations for his antenna which is less than 15 metres in height. It transpired that they had received a complaint from a neighbor, which is most probably RF related, but elected to notify the home owner that his antenna has not been approved and that they intend taking steps to either have him remove the tower or that he has to apply for the necessary approval.

The SARL delegation pointed out that antennas under 15 metres of radio amateurs are exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998. It was agreed that the process will be suspended pending the Council consulting with their legal advisors. The SARL will be afforded further opportunities to discuss the issues once feedback has been received from the Council's legal department.

SARL members who have had similar problems are requested to send details to admin@sarl.co.za so that Council can investigate the issues and the merits thereof.

CQ INTRODUCES 40 CQ ZONES ON 160 PLAQUE

CQ has announced the availability of a special plaque for those who have achieved contact to all 40 CQ zones on 160 meters. This is considered the most difficult of all amateur radio awards to earn and because of this the Worked All Zones 160 Metres Plaque recognizes that receiving it as one of the elite Top Band DXers. If you believe you qualify, please contact W-A-Z Award Manager Floyd Gerald, N5FG, by e-mail to n5fg@cq-amateur-radio.com for further details.

MORE CLUBS AFFILIATE WITH THE SARL

During the past week the following clubs have affiliated to the SARL:

Antique Wireless Association of Southern Africa-ZS0AWA Centurion Radio Amateur Club- ZS6CEN Hibiscus Coast Amateur Radio Club-ZS5HAC Noordwes Amateurradioklub ZS6RWT Oos-Transvaal-Laeveld Radioklub-ZS6OTL Oakdale Amateurradioklub -ZS1OAK Overberg Amateurradioklub -ZS1OAR Sandton Amateur Radio Club-ZS6STN Welkom Radioklub ZS4WRC Winelands Amateur Radio Club- ZS1WRC and Vrystaat Amateurradioklub-ZS4B Sasolburg Radioklub-ZS4SRK

The SARL welcomes the clubs to the SARL family. If your club is not already affiliated to the SARL, visit www.sarl.org.za and select Club Talk for details and an affiliation vorm.

NEW MEMBERS

The SARL extends a hearty welcome to the following radio amateurs who have joined the SARL as members: ZS1AW - Baxter, WHO had already been welcomed from the UK but now has a RSA call sign! ZS1CU - Claude Steenkamp ZSL1038 - Edric Russel ZSL1047 - Keith Ferry G2HIX - David Craig

STILLLISTEN OUT FOR JOTA STATIONS

On Saturday 20 October CQ Hou Koers took place with many amateurs hosting young people on the air. JOTA is run over two days, and is still active today. ICASA has agreed, on the SARL's request, to allow unlicensed youth to operate amateur radio stations under the supervision of licensed radio amateurs during these two events.

Give a young person the experience of a life time and encourage him or her to call CQ and operate an amateur radio station. The bug may just bite and you will have recruited a new person to join the world of radio amateurs.

CONTEST NEWS

The next RaDAR contest takes place on Saturday 3 November 2012, starting at 12:00 UTC and ending at 18:00 UTC (14:00 CAT to 20:00 CAT)

giving 6 hours of activity - approximately 4 during the day and 2 at night. Activity may take place on all amateur bands and modes, including cross band contacts via amateur satellites. QSOs via terrestrial repeaters will NOT be allowed.

The exchange is your call sign, your name, a RS(T) report, your QTH and grid locator. The scoring is one point per QSO and one QSO per mode, per band/satellite, per call sign. There is a category and a power multiplier. Portable and RaDAR stations can also earn bonus points.

To be considered as a true RaDAR station, the entire station equipment, radios, batteries, mast, antennas and refreshments must be easily portable and hence the need to carry the equipment for at least 1 km prior to setting up.

Log sheets must be sent to the Lichtenberg Amateur Radio Club (LARK), PO Box 410, Lichtenburg, 2740 or by email to zs6lrk@nwinternet.za.org. The closing date for logs is 18 November 2012 and a photograph of the station (JPG format) MUST accompany every log entry.

The second leg of the SARL National Field Day will take place between 10:00 UTC on Saturday 17 November and 10:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November 2012 with activity on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres using Phone, CW and Digital modes.

There are five classes of participation, namely Class A - Field Station, Multi operator; Class B - Field Station, Multi operator, QRP; Class C - Field Station, Single Operator; Class D - Field Station, Single Operator, QRP and Class E - General stations. The exchange is the number of transmitters, Field Day operating Class and Province.

Equipment for Field Stations may only be set up in the 24 hours prior to the starting time of the contest. This restriction applies to antennas, masts, towers and transmitting equipment, but excludes accommodation such as a caravan, tent, etc. Once a Field Station has been established at a site, it may not move to an alternative site after the contest starts.

Get all the rules in the 2012 SARL Contest Manual.

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEWS TEAM

The News Team is grateful for the volunteers who offered to join the team but more volunteers will be appreciated. The main task of volunteers will be to translate bulletin items into Afrikaans. This news item is a request for members to offer their services to keep the bulletin service going. The news items for the bulletin will be e-mailed to the translators, who will translate them and e-mail them to the editor.

Bulletin translators will be SARL members, bilingual, with some rudimentary computer and editing skills and will have an e-mail address. If there are for example six translators, each one will only

take responsibilty for the translations two months out of every year.

If you are be willing to try your hand at this, please send your name and contact details to Fritz, ZS6SF, with email address secretary@sarl.org.za during the coming week.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. All current visible sunspot regions remain stable and many of the sunspots are in a state of decay. A potentially significant sunspot hiding off the eastern limb has started to rotate into view. It is still too early to tell just how big or small this sunspot is, however keep an eye on this region for further C-Class flare activity.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 84.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

3 November - RaDAR Contest, 12:00 to 18:00 UTC. 18 November - Log sheets for the RaDAR Contest to be in to Lichtenberg Amateur Radio Club (LARK), PO Box 410, Lichtenburg, 2740 or by email to zs6lrk@nwinternet.za.org. 17 November - SARL National Field Day will take place between 10:00 UTC on Saturday 17 November and 10:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 17:30 UTC on 3 230 kHz. Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

====================== Message Ends ====================== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2069. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 20 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 16:27:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011d90d9d9cd104cc801916@google.com>
Source record: 1736
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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30 Meter Multi Mode Event Weekend 27/28 October

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 11:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365474-30-Meter-Multi-Mode-Event-Weekend-27-28-October&goto=newpost

30 Meter Multi Mode Event Weekend

When: 27/28 October 2012

Where: 10 MHz - 30 Meter Band (10.100 ☐ 10.150)

Objective: To promote experimenting and using different digital modes on
the unique 30 Meter Band

For a more detailed listing of this event go here:

http://www.30mdg.net/news.html

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The 30 Meter Digital Group (30MDG) is celebrating our 5 year Anniversary,
6,000 members (118DXCC), and our 30MDG Award Program issuing over 31,000
Award Certificates. 30MDG is FREE to join, FREE Awards program with FREE
Award software ☐ Ultimate 30 or U30). All licensed Amateur Operators and
any SWLers are welcome - come as you are we are a casual group, promote all
digital modes from the latest to the original digital mode (CW), enjoy
rag-chew to DX, experimenting with different modes/software/antenna/power,
promote good operating practices, NO CONTESTING -WARC band, and the unique
30m band propagation...with some great ops! (please note we are secondary
users of the 30m band)

Hope to CU on the band and as always this is NOT a contest ☐ no start or
stop times, no exchanges, no logs to send to anyone, no winners or trophy ☐
this IS to PROMOTE AWARENESS of the 30 METER BAND and the only winners are
those that participate and have fun!

Don KB9UMT 30MDG#0001-Founder

And the 30MDG ☐Team"

http://www.30mdg.net

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"ATCC OPEN CONTEST"!!!

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 10:10 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365379-quot-ATCC-OPEN-CONTEST-quot-!!!&goto=newpost

We are honoured to invite you to participate in "ATCC Open 2012" Contest -
RUSSIA.

2012-Oct-20,

-first tour from 15:00 UTC to 18:59 UTC

2012-Oct-21,

-second tour from 05:00 UTC to 08:59 UTC

We will try to make interesting and attractive!

rules:

ATCC OPEN-2012 Contest- rules.

1. Founders: Amateur Tosno Contest Club.

2. Date:

2012-Oct-20 (Saturday) - first period (from 15:00:00 UTC to 18:59:59 UTC).

15:00:00-15:59:59 UTC -1st round

16:00:00-16:59:59 UTC- 2nd round

17:00:00-17:59:59 UTC- 3rd round

18:00:00-18:59:59 UTC- 4th round

2012-Oct-21 (Sunday) second period (from 05:00:00 UTC to 08:59:59 UTC).

05:00:00-05:59:59 UTC -5th round

06:00:00-06:59:59 UTC -6th round

07:00:00-07:59:59 UTC -7th round

08:00:00-08:59:59 UTC -8th round

3. Bands: 80M;40M;20M.

according to the IARU Contest Band plan.

(3510KHz-3550KHz;7010KHz-7035KHz;14010KHz-14050KHz).

4. Mode: Only CW.

5. Calling practice in the contest:

All amateur stations: ATCC test".

6. Categories:

A. SOMB-CW-HP-Guests of ATCC

B. SOMB-CW-LP-Guests of ATCC

C. SOMB-CW-QRP-Guests of ATCC

D. SOMB-CW-HP-Members of ATCC

E. SOMB-CW-LP-Members of ATCC

F. SOMB-CW-QRP-Members of ATCC

G. MOMB-CW

OVERLAY:

H. OVER-50

I. ROOKIE-17

J. YL/XYL

K. SWL

7. Numbers exchange:

Members of ATCC send character report consisting of a signal report RST plus a (one-three digit) number your member of ATCC.

For example: (R8MC-599 123; SP2LNW-599 13; UA1CEC-599 3).

Other stations send character report consisting of a signal report RST plus a (two digit) your

WW-section (World Wide Squares)

For example: (HA1YI-599 JN; ON3ND-599 JO; RD9CX-599 MO).

8. Participants: Amateur radio stations around the world.

9. Points:

QSO with own country count-1 point;

QSO with a different country in the same continent-2 points;

QSO with a different continent-3 points;

QSO with a member of ATCC- 5 points.

10. Multipliers:

Each different WW-section worked on each bands and each different number a member of ATCC on each band gives 1 point for multiplier.

SWL have not multipliers.

11. Final score:

The total number of QSO points on all bands times the total number of multipliers

worked on all bands.

12. E-logs:

Send as attached fill to: atcclub-open@rambler.ru

In the field subject of your e-mail letter it is necessary to mention your call.

For example: RX1XXX SOAB-LP.

In the field SOAPBOX: necessary to show: RIG; PWR; ANT, as your comments and wishes.

13. Awards:

Special plates for different categories 1st place winners are founded.

Certificates to the first 3 stations in the category.

All participants who have logs will receive E-mailed Virtual certificates for ATCC OPEN-2012-contest.

14. Deadline:

All logs must be E-mailed to: atcclub-open@rambler.ru no later than 2012-Oct-28.

http://www.atcclub.narod.ru

http://www.qrz.ru/contest/detail/245.html

Best regards,73`s! ATCC Contest committee.

Respectfully yours, ATCC Open Contest Referees Committee.

E-MAIL: atcclub-open@rambler.ru

UA1CEC, RW1CX, R7AO. 73&88!!!

2070. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 20 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 16:52:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340571e6bf0004cc8070dc@google.com>
Source record: 1737
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: The Transformer Guy; The Huntsville Hamfest Guy

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 09:29 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365465-HamRadioNow-The-Transformer-Guy-The-Huntsville-Hamfest-Guy&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 28: The Transformer Guy

Episode 29: The Huntsville Hamfest Guy

Peter Eggiman builds transformers. Little ones, big ones, and really big ones,

for business and for hams. Jeff AC4ZO talks to Peter about the technology, after Gary

does a "pledge drive" and a short visit from The Bear.

Charlie Emerson N4OKL is the benevolent dictator of the Huntsville Hamfest.

Charlie's now saying, "Wait... is THAT what they got out of the interview?" Not really.

But Huntsville isn't like most hamfests, and Charlie explains why. Then he confuses

HamRadioNow with Ham Nation. And finally, the Mouse visits Gary as he

wraps up the episode. So don't tune out early.

Watch these episodes at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

to support these programs, visit

HAMRADIONOW.tv

and 'click the pig'

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Ham Nation 69: 'On The Road Again'

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 09:47 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365375-Ham-Nation-69-On-The-Road-Again&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 69: 'On The Road Again' with Gordo and Don is available for download and viewing at http://twit.tv/hn . Visit Pacificon with Gordon and Don. Julian talks about DSP in HF radios and George troubleshoots the OpenBeacon. Plus Newsline with Don and Chat Room with Cheryl.

2071. eHam.net News for Saturday 20 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-20 22:07:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646d8df2efe404cc84d8ab@google.com>
Source record: 1738
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators to Team Up with Boy Scouts for Jamboree On The Air:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29183

Local amateur radio operators will showcase their skills to the Boy Scout community at the 55th annual Jamboree on the Air, to be held this Saturday, October 21, at the WNC Agriculture Center. The following is from the monthly newsletter of the Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society:

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Hamming It Up:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29182

Last week, I dragged my kids to an outing that sounded fun. I saw a notice in our church bulletin about a special ham radio event honoring Saint Maximilian Kolbe, patron saint of ham radio operators. Who knew? I was intrigued. Ham radios have been around for more than a century and are an effective emergency communications back-up in our digital age. The eternal optimist, I thought this might be a cool opportunity to learn about something you don't see every day.
When I told my kids about it, my daughter's first question was whether or not we could use it to talk to aliens. RIGHT??! That's exactly the sort of thing I wanted to find out, and I was glad that we were on the same page. My son was less enthused. Despite the lure of having additional fodder for future "Lives of the Saints" projects, he wasn't moved. We arrived at our parish center to find a few older gentleman and one sole supportive wife giving "shout outs" about the special feast day over the air. They had a wipe-board of places they had reached, and at one point linked up with a man from Italy! My son wasn't impressed.

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Hamfest Planned this Weekend at BMS:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29181

BRISTOL, Tenn. -- The Gray HamFest, an amateur radio event which has been held in the Tri-Cities for three decades, will be held this weekend at Bristol Motor Speedway. About 1,000 amateur radio operators from eight states are expected to attend Saturday's event, which will be held at Gates

6 and 7 at the track, according to a written statement announcing the event. Ham operators can gather and trade equipment in the parking lot by the Bruton Smith Building, and retailers will sell equipment under the grandstands, the statement said. Gates open at 6 a.m. for tailgating, and the main gates will open at 8 p.m. The event is expected to last until about 1:30 p.m.

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Sun Unleashes Solar Plasma Wave Larger than Earth:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29180

A giant wave of super-hot solar plasma larger than the Earth erupted from the sun on Friday in a spectacular display captured by a NASA spacecraft. The huge solar prominence occurred at 4:15 a.m. EDT (0815 GMT) and was recorded in amazing detail by the high-definition cameras aboard NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory before escaping the sun. "Once it started breaking away, the process only took 10 hours before it was out of sight," NASA media specialist Steele Hill explained in a photo description. "The prominence stretched out many times the size of Earth." The Solar Dynamics Observatory showed the solar prominence as a wispy red-orange wave stretching out from the lower right section of the sun. The image was recorded in the 304 Angstrom wavelength of extreme ultraviolet light, according to Hill.

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30 Meter Multi Mode Weekend 27/28 Oct:

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 04:42 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29179

The 30 Meter Digital Group (30MDG) is celebrating\&.5 year Anniversary, 6,000 members (118 DXCC), and our 30MDG Award Program issuing over 31,000 Award Certificates. 30MDG is FREE to join, FREE Awards program with FREE Award software - Ultimate 30 or U30).

2072. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 20 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-21 02:41:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c7de0d169804cc88ad83@google.com>
Source record: 1739
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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'Ham'ing it up - Milton Daily Standard

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 11:33 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGMzdoRagznq_IkkhlGy-boKlT8dQ&url=http://www.standard-journal.com/articles/2012/10/20/news/doc50823cc1358f6103079607.txt

Haming it up
Milton Daily Standard
He said this week marks the American Radio Relay Leagues School Radio Roundup, where ham radio operators from around the world are communicating with students, like the ones in Bergmuellers class. With a long radio antenna hoisted into the air, ...

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Cuban Amateur Radio Satellite Group National Meeting - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 11:53 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGkNOZ0b7LKzG5JaU4NLmH0BxYtBw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/cuban_amateur_radio_satellite_group_national_meeting.htm

Cuban Amateur Radio Satellite Group National Meeting
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Raydel Espinet CM2ESP brings news of the first national meeting of the Cuban amateur radio satellite group and special event station T47G will be on the air during the meeting Nov. 8-11. With great pleasure, on behalf of the Cuban Satellite Group named ...

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Ham radio class set for Oct. 27 - Cabinet.com

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 12:23 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGHPIQw3TgDGumauVUAaNplszKy3A&url=http://www.cabinet.com/hollisbrooklinejournal/hollisnews/979940-308/ham-radio-class-set-for-oct.-27.html

Ham radio class set for Oct. 27
Cabinet.com
MANCHESTER – An introduction to ham radio and class will be offered from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at the Manchester Red Cross Blood Center, 425 Reservoir Ave. Ham radio, also known as amateur radio, allows people to communicate via radio.

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Wattsburg students speak with astronaut in space - GoErie.com

Posted: 19 Oct 2012 09:03 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHYk0QnIFOecEAJNySn4aKTXYShiA&url=http://www.goerie.com/article/20121020/NEWS02/310199882/Wattsburg-students-speak-with-astronaut-in-space

Wattsburg students speak with astronaut in space
GoErie.com
A dozen Wattsburg Area School District students had the chance to talk directly to Williams for just over 10 minutes Friday through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station -- or ARISS -- program. The event was organized locally by Paul ...
Wattsburg Area Students Make Out of This World CallErieTVNews

all 2 news articles

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Amateur weather spotter recalls chasing destructive Dexter tornado - AnnArbor.com

Posted: 16 Oct 2012 03:05 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGNuwsa2g2lbhVrNPAyVhkyXKaPNQ&url=http://www.annarbor.com/news/dexter/dexter-tornado-spotter-march-15-twister/

Amateur weather spotter recalls chasing destructive Dexter tornado
AnnArbor.com
101112_NEWS__Jeff_Cowall_CS.JPG. Jeff Cowall, an amateur radio operator and severe weather spotter, drives down Dexter-Townhall Road using his HAM radio just as he did on March 15, the day an EF-3 tornado hit Dexter. Courtney Sacco I AnnArvor.

2073. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 21 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-21 11:06:53 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f235465afb27a04cc8fbbd0@google.com>
Source record: 1740
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT-UK delivers FUNcube-2 boards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Rbm2bRqz2LE/amsat_uk_delivers_funcube2_boards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, October 19, after some final testing and characterisation checks completed at the facilities of ISIS BV in Delft, AMSAT-UK handed over the set of three PCBs that form the FUNcube-2 subsystem on the UKube-1 spacecraft to Clyde Space Ltd in Glasgow

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'Amazing results' on 10m QRP AM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NcSMIxvsjn8/amazing_results_on_10m_qrp_am.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andy G0FTD took advantage of the good conditions to have a 29 MHz AM contact with K1IED while running just 1 watt

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Pico Amateur Radio Balloons

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oEL05Ajg-Uk/pico_amateur_radio_balloons.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An increasing number of radio amateurs are experimenting with ultra light balloon payloads, typically weighing less than 100 grams

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SARL takes-up zoning regs with city of Cape Town

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MLqmtKgKfKM/sarl_takes_up_zoning_regulations_with_city_of_cape_town.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZVLeaQenFQY/october_21.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Low Altitude Balloon floating towards Sweden

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NDnO9uevwLc/low_altitude_balloon_floating_towards_sweden.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Yesterday we launched a miniature radio transmitter and GPS on a single foil balloon from the UK transmitting RTTY (ascii-8) on 434.301 Mhz USB (10mW) - it's now been floating for 17 hours and has managed to cross the North Sea and is approaching the Swedish coast. Can you help to track it?

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Successful ARISS Contact for CRA Pozohondo, Nava De Abajo, Spain

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9jNyZ-NsWi8/ariss_event_success_1610.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Tuesday October 16 at 09:30 UTC, which is 11.26.52 CEST, students from CRA Pozohondo, Nava De Abajo, Spain established ARISS contact with NASA astronaut Sunita Williams KD5PLB on board the International Space Station

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on the road

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wPk8w8g98V0/searg_tour_bus.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Over in Ireland, the SEARG tour bus was on the road over the weekend of 13/14 October, as members of the club headed to the IVETA (Irish Vintage Engine and Tractor Association) 2012 National Show which took place in the Cavan Equestrian Centre

2074. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 21 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-21 18:06:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403cd37579504cc9599c1@google.com>
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Series Five Episode Twenty-Two - HQA Radio

Posted: 20 Oct 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1928:series-five-episode-twenty-two-hqa-radio&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-epsiode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty-Two of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has
been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Tom Samacicio
(KB4HQA) from HQA Radio and Martin (M1MRB) reports from the RSGB convention.

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New IARU R3 Chairman

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:28 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1927:new-iaru-r3-chairman&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

Following the recent surprise sad passing away of Michael Owen VK3KI, the
Directors of IARU Region 3, as required by the Constitution, have
appointed Peter Lake ZL2AZ as the new Chairman.

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FCC to allow additional emission types

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:26 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1926:fcc-to-allow-additional-emission-types&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

On 2 October 2012, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
(NPRM) in WT Docket No. 12-121 that seeks to change the Amateur Radio
licensing rules, especially as they concern former licensees.

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14 year-old Indian ham gets Diamond DXCC

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:25 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1925:14-year-old-indian-ham-gets-diamond-dxcc&catid=36:amateur--ham-radio-awards-and-contesting&Itemid=100002

Tom, VU3TMO has received his Diamond DXCC award from American Radio Relay
League.

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ILLW draws attention to lighthouses

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:23 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1924:illw-draws-attention-to-lighthouses&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

About 80 qualified marine structures from 18 countries have so far
registered for the next International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend.

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Conway Reef DXpedition

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:20 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1923:conway-reef-dxpedition&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The 3D2C team has arrived (4 October 2012) in Suva from our return voyage
from Conway Reef. The group made 71,693 contacts from Conway Reef.

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GB3NC back in service

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:18 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1922:gb3nc-back-in-service&catid=31:amateur--ham-radio-repeaters&Itemid=100003

The Mid Cornwall Beacon and Repeater Group are pleased to report that the
GB3NC repeater has been successfully repaired and is now back in service.

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Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:15 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1921:spring-vhf-uhf-field-day&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

It's springtime in Australia, and 24-25 November 2012 is the time for the
Spring VHF-UHF Field Day.

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Qatar to host Ham Radio Festival

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 12:12 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1920:qatar-to-host-ham-radio-festival&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Qatar will host an international festival for radio amateurs in Doha to
coincide with the National Day festivities.

2075. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1083

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-21 18:39:15 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <834978.93493.bm@smtp110.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1742
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1083

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1083
BID: $OPDX.1083
October 22, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, WA4DAN, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, WB0VGI, AT International, CO2TK, DJ7ZG, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G3SWH, HA5WA, HK3TK, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, JR1MLT, ON7ZZ, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, SM3CVM, VA3RJ & ICPO, the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) and ZS3O for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 14th-October, through Sunday, 21st-October there were 227 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5W, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND. The 3B9SP DXpedition is close to going QRT. The operation is expected to go QRT October 23rd. According to the ClubLog Web page, as of 1455z, October 21st, 3B9SP has made 18715 QSOs with 8211

unique callsigns (11213/CW, 6353/SSB, 890/RTTY and 259/PSK). Breakdown by continent is: 176/AF, 0/AN, 3690/AS, 9177/EU, 5279/NA, 290/OC and 103/SA. QSL via HB9ACA direct or use the OQRS on ClubLog. The logs will be uploaded to LotW within 6 months after the DX Operation. For more details and updates, see: http://hb9fr.ch/3b9sp

5H, TANZANIA (Senior Moment For Editor!). Last week we reported that Noel, WB0VGI, informed OPDX that he is now operational in Iringa, Tanzania. However, your editor forgot to put Noel's callsign in the announcement. His callsign is 5H3NP, and he will be there until December 17th. Operations will be on CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign.

5X, UGANDA (Back On!). Nick, G3RWF, who was expected to be active this October as 5X1NH from Uganda for two months but then postponed his trip, has now announced that he will return on November 6th for 5 weeks. He should be on 80-10 meters, possibly 160m, and he prefers to operate CW but will also be on the Digital modes with some SSB. Nick will probably also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest and the ARRL 10m Contest. QSL via his home callsign.

9V, SINGAPORE. Koichi, JR1MLT, is currently active as 9V1KK from Singapore. He is there because of his job, and he informs OPDX that he expects to be in Singapore for "five years or so (up to economy and market)". His station is very much limited due to the residential conditions. Koichi mentions that he currently lives on the 10th floor of a condo and his antenna is much restricted. Koichi just put up a long wire with the ATU for the HF bands (40-10m) with 100 watts. He operates mostly on SSB and CW. However, he travels extensively and his operating time is limited, but he will get on the air as much as possible. QSL via JH1ILX direct.

9Y4, TRINDADE AND TOBAGO. Chris, 9Y4D (ex-9Y4NZ), will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/High-Power entry. QSL via 9Y4D (see QRZ.com).

A22, BOTSWANA. Schalk, ZS3O, from Sandbaai, South Africa, was active as A22LL this past weekend from Lobatse, Botswana. He informed OPDX that he has a farm in Lobatse and will be in there "every 2nd weekend". When there, Schalk mentioned that he will be on the 20m band operating CW and SSB. Watch 14020 kHz for CW and between 14180-14240 kHz for SSB (mostly on 14200 kHz calling CQ. QSL via his home callsign, direct and by the Bureau. NO LoTW.

AH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Kuniyoshi/7L1FPU (W1FPU), Moto/JE1NDE (W1NDE), Naoyuki/JK1FNL (NA8O), Yuzo/JQ2WTT (KH0XW) and Hiroyuki/JG7PSJ (KW2X) will be active as AH0BT during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via 7L1FPU. The team will try to be active using their own callsign before the contest (October 25-26th).

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Kazuma/JG3RPL, Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Mikiawa/JR7OMD and Miyazawa/JP7DKQ. QSL via LoTW or direct to JH7QXJ. PLEASE DO NOT QSL

via the KH2 Bureau.

C45, CYPRUS. Spyros, 5B4MF, will be active using his special callsign C45T for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via address on QRZ.com, or by the Bureau or LoTW.

CP8, BOLIVIA. Peter, DF7NX, is now active as CP8MW from Bolivia until October 23rd. Activity will be on the 30-10 meters mostly CW. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

CR2, AZORES. Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH. For more details, visit the CR2X Web page at: http://www.cu2a.com

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Reminder/Update). PRESS RELEASE - date October 20th [edited]: "Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK announce that everything is set for their operation from Sable Island beginning October 22-31st. The weather forecast for Monday looks good, at this time. The only concern is the beach conditions. Rain is forecast for Sunday which could potentially affect the 'beach runway'. Travel to Sable Island is always problematic. Often, when conditions in Halifax are good, conditions at Sable Island are not good and visa versa. Also, the 'old' Britten-Norman Islander aircraft is not equipped with modern instrumentation, which limits the conditions under which it is safe to fly between the mainland of Nova Scotia and Sable Island. We were unsuccessful in two previous attempts to visit Sable Island. We are optimistic that Monday will be a 'GO'.
As previously advertised, our focus will be on 10, 12, and 15 meters, where the demand for CY0 is greatest, and especially on 10M, where new DX'ers, with modest stations, have the best opportunity to work 'a new one'. Also, we plan to be active in the upcoming CQWW Phone contest on 10, 15, 20, and 40 meters to provide CY0.
We would like to thank Gerry Forbes, Officer-in-Charge for Sable Island for being so helpful in trying to make this, our third attempt, successful. In addition, we would like to express our appreciation to Gary, VE1RGB, who has provided invaluable logistical support in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the departure point for the flight to Sable Island.
Monitor <www.cy0dxpedition.com> for the latest updates."

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2011 - D4C Cape Verde (CQWW WPX SSB Contest):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c-CTHU6z0
2011 - D4C Cape Verde (CQWW DX SSB Contest):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ruNHc9o0I
1990 - XU8DX - XU8CW Phnom Penh, Cambodia: http://vimeo.com/30892749
1989 - XW8DX - XW8CW Vientiane, Laos: http://vimeo.com/30307643
1988 - 3W8DX - 3W8CW Hanoi, Vietnam:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=39iNDVfD4

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use, and we will publish it.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Andrea/IK1PMR and YL Claudia/PA3LEO will be active as EA8/homecall from Tenerife Island (AF-004, S-012 for the Spanish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-1276) between December 3rd and February 12th (2013). Activity will be on the HF bands and 6 meters. Andrea will operate CW and Claudia will operate RTTY. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the Bureau (E-mail requests accepted). Watch Andrea's Web site for updates and more details at: http://www.ik1pmr.com

ED9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. Operators Con/DF4SA, Frank/DL2CC, Zoli/HA1AG, Laszlo/HA3NU and Mark/N5OT will be active as ED9Z from Ceuta during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. The group will be using all Spiderbeam antennas and a 40m 3 element full size beam. QSL via EA9LZ.

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Juan, EA8CAC, will be active as EF8R from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004) during the CQWW DX SSB SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power/SO2R entry. QSL via direct to EB7DX or LoTW.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Yann, F1NGP, President of the French Clipperton DX Club, is now active as FG/F1NGP from Saint Francois (Grid FK96IF), Guadeloupe (NA-102) until about October 26th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Gildas, TU5KG, is now active as FG/TU5KG from Guadeloupe until October 24th. Activity will be holiday style operating mainly RTTY and SSB. QSL via F4DXW, direct only.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Yann, F5UTN, will be active as FG/F5UTN from Guadeloupe between October 23rd and November 1st. Activity will be holiday style operating mainly CW and SSB. He will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band or Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

GJ, JERSEY. Members of the Jersey Contest Group will be active as GJ2A from Jersey Island (EU-013) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as Multi-Single entry. QSL via LoTW, or direct to GJ3DVC.

HK, COLOMBIA. Pepin, CO2TK, will be active as HK3TK during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via F5CWU direct.

HR, HONDURAS. Operators Dan/HR2DMR, HQ2DOM and Johnny/HQ2JCM will be active as HR2WW during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via KD4POJ.

HS, THAILAND. Anothai, HS8FLU, from Nuakhlong Krabi will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

HS25, THAILAND (Special Event). Look for special event station HS25DX to be active from Kao Kluay in Surathani Province in the south part of Thailand from October 27-28th. Activity is to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the "100watts Magazine". Activity will include an entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via E20PFE.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-060. Members of the Korea Contest Club (KCC) will be active as D93I from Pigum Island between October 21-29th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using a beam antenna for HF, 4-square for 40m and vertical for 80m. They will also be in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via DS4NYE direct or LoTW.

EU-050. Carlo, IK4JQQ, will be celebrating his 25th year on amateur radio by being active as IL7/IK4JQQ from San Domino Island, Tremiti Islands, between October 21-23rd. Activity will be on the HF bands and possibly the satellites. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

NA-027. Operators Gus/VO1MP and George/K5KG will be active as VD1M from Newfoundland Island during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via VO1MP.

OC-160. Akira, JA1NLX, is now active as JA1NLX/VK4 from Hamilton Island until October 23rd. Activity will be on the 40-10 meters on the IOTA frequencies using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will use an Elecraft KX3 with Juma PA100D into a random wire wound on fishing pole and radials with ATU or Loop wire with ATU. It will be mounted on the room balcony. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW. Log will be upload onto ClubLog and LoTW server when he returns home. For more details and updates, watch the following Web pages at:
http://www.ne.jp/asahi/ja1nlx/ham/VK4_2012.html
http://ja1nlx-aki.blogspot.jp/search/label/JA1NLX%2FVK4_2012

OC-271. (NEW IOTA). Operators Joppy/YB8XM and Andy/YC0MVP will activate the new IOTA Babar Island during the first week of November. The specific dated are November 1-8th. QSL via YB9BU.
Look for updates on Joppy Twitter account or Blog page at:
https://twitter.com/YB8XM
http://oc271.blogspot.jp

SA-087. Operators Ruben/LU3XEM, Luis/LU3XEI, Edgar/LU5VAT and Carlos/LU7DSY will be active as LT0X from Penguin Island between November 2-4th. There has been no activity from this island for 12 years. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/12/10 meters, possibly 6 meters, using CW, SSB and PSK31, with three stations active on the air. QSL via LU7DSY.

KG4, GUAM. John, KF4EME, will be active as KG4EM from Guantanamo Bay during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via KB7GJ.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 22-28th)....
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Oct/23rd AN Oct/26th AN Oct/28th AN
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Bob/K3EST, Fred/K9VV and Philip/KT3Y will be active as KP2M from the Radio Reef Contest Station on St. Croix (NA-106) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via AI4U and LoTW. Look for the operators to possibly be active outside of the contest as KP2/homecall. They will be there between November 22-27th. For more details about the KP2M station, see: http://www.radioreef.com

LX, LUXEMBOURG. Philippe/LX2A will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He states that he will be using a new setup and antennas for the contest. QSL via LX2A. Visit the LX2A Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Look for OH0Z to be active once again in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th), but as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Operator will be Tomi/OH6EI. QSL via W0MM.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as OH0X from Aland Island during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/ High-Power entry. QSL via OH2TA.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Pekka, OH2YY, will be active as OH0YY during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op (possibly as a Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via OH2YY.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Waldemar, SM0TQX, will be active as OH0JFP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m or 10m) entry. QSL via OH0JFP, by the Bureau or direct.

P4, ARUBA. Valery, R5GA, will once again be active as P4/R5GA from Oranjestad (P49V/P40YL Aruba Ham Radio Rental - see <www.p49v.com>) between November 22-28th. Activity will be on CW mainly on 160-10 meters, especially on the 30/17/12 meters. Operations will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry using the callsign P40F. QSL via UA3DX. QSL P4/R5GA via R5GA, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Operators Paul/K1XM, Al/W1FJ, John/K4BAI and Jeff/KU8E
will be active as PJ4A from the "PJ4G Radio House" on Bonaire (SA-006,
WLOTA LH-1279) during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-?
entry. The team will be on the island between November 20-27th. Outside
the contest, operators will be active as PJ4/homecall. QSL PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI
and PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI. QSL PJ4/K1XM and PJ4/W1FJ via their home callsigns.
Check out the "PJ4G Radio House" at: http://www.pj4g.com

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 21st)

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4L/UA1AMM via UA1FA EG8TT via EA8URT OO5ZZ via ON5ZZ
5W1SA via JA1DXA F/I1UWF via I1UWF OZ1BIKE via OZ1ACB
9A55AX via 9A4J HB9/SN0HST via SP3SLU S505SLG via S59DCD
9H3CZ via OK1CZ HB9HST via HB9JOE S512IAPMC via
S59DCD
CO8TW via HB9SVT HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (d) T30PY via PY2PT
CT9/DL6MLA via DL6MLA MW6VOW via EB7DX TM5BRT via F5THW
D2QR via RW6HS (d) MX0LDG via M0URX XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
DQ0STRATEX via DK4REX OG3077F via OH3JF XX9THX via EA7FTR
EG5MAT via EA5BX OK8EU via OK1BZ
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

5U5U, 5U6E AND 5U8NK LOGS are now available online at:
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=5U
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=6e
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=8NK
QSL via their home callsigns (see QRZ.com)

PREVIEW THE 7O6T QSL CARD on "DX-World.net at:
http://dx-world.net/2012/qsl-card-preview-7o6t

UK TO PHASE OUT IRCS. Phil, G3SWH, received the following info from the
Royal Mail: "Due to declining international mail volumes and electronic
substitution, customer demand for International Reply Coupons has been
falling dramatically over the last few years. Overall sales of Inter-
national Reply Coupons have been very low indeed - on average just 4
per annum bought from each Post Office branch. Therefore, it was no
longer commercially viable to maintain the sale of coupons and Royal
Mail has taken the decision to withdraw them from sale.
International Reply Coupons have not been withdrawn globally from
sale. Under UPU regulations Royal Mail through Post Office Counters
is obliged to redeem International Reply Coupons presented having been
purchased overseas, but we are not obliged to sell them. However, I can
confirm that customers have up to December 2013 to redeem IRCs."
Phil states, "This seems to be much more in line with the Royal Mail's
responsibilities under their UPU membership. Looks like they're safe
until 31st December 2013. It may be that the UPU will change their rules
after that date (which would be no bad thing IMHO)."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3A6TS, CT1ILT, DU3/N0QM, EW8DJ, IZ2OBS, PF7DKW, S57S, T6LG, T6MO, UN5J, UR3IFD, UR5MSW and XM2I

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2AG/p, D3AA, CY9M, EX2F, FK/JJ2NYT, FW0NAR, HB0/DL2SBY, KH8/W8GEX and YE0M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: CY9M

SI9, SWEDEN. Operators Jef/DD2CW, Marcel/ON6UQ and Dirk/ONL741 will operate as SI9AM between October 24-31st, from the "King Chulalongkorn Memorial" in Raganda. They will be in the CQ WW SSB DX Contest (October 27-28th). Outside of the contest, they will be active on all HF bands. Main frequencies:
CW - 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897 and 28017 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960 and 28510 kHz
FM - 145.550 MHz and Repeater RV49 - 145.612 MHz.
QSL via SM3CVM, Bureau cards can be requested by E-mail to: info(at)si9am.se
Visit the SI9AM Web page at: http://www.si9am.se

SILENT KEY. OPDX was informed that Th&#65533;o Jacobs, ON4LEP, become a Silent key (SK) on October 12th. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of ON4LEP.

T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI. The Brazilian team will go QTH as T30PY (HF) and T30SIX (6m, EME on WSJT-JT65A) from Tarawa Island (OC-017) this week on October 25th. According to the ClubLog Web page, as of 0842z, October 19th, T30PY has made 15652 QSOs with 6369 unique callsigns (6994/CW and 8235/SSB and 423/RTTY). Breakdown by continent is: 58/AF, 0/AN, 7606/AS, 2484/EU, 3823/NA, 883/OC and 798/SA. QSL via PY2PT, direct, by the Bureau ("Estimation to reply: at least, 3 years."), or by their OQRS on the Web page. For more details, see: http://www.mdxc.org/t30py

T33, BANABA (Update). A group of 14 operators, who was expected to be led by Jay/W2IJ and David/N1EMC for a DXpedition to Banaba for March/April 2013 (see OPDX.1079), has now been cancelled according to "The Daily DX". The cancellation is the "result of logistical issues that occurred this (past) week. They are re-evaluating the issues and hope to activate the island later on in 2013."

T4, CUBA. Operators Carlos/CO6CAC, Jose/CO6EC, Hector/CO6HLP, Orelvis/CO6LC, Luis/CO6LE, Luis/CO6LP, Yordany/CO6YAC, Edor/CO7PH and Jose/CM8AKD will be active as T46A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via EA5GL.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, will be active as T6MO during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m or possibly 15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via K9GY.

T8, PALAU. Three JA operators will activate the "West Plaza By The Sea Hotel Rental Shack" on Palau Islands (OC-009) over the next month. Their activities should be on all bands and modes. Currently, operators Kunio/JO1AEC and Hideyuki/JM1LJS will be active as T88EC and T80W, respectively, until October 23rd. This will be followed by Mazshita/JF2SKV as T88KV between October 26-30th. He will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest

(October 27-28th) [for more details, see OPDX.1079]. Then look for Toshiharu, JA3JND, to be active as T88ON between November 9-13th. QSL T88EC via JO1AEC, T80W via JM1LJS and T88ON via JA3JND. For details on the "West Plaza By The Sea Hotel Rental Shack", see: http://palau.rental-shack.com/english

TF, ICELAND. Members of the IRA club (ÞslenskirradÞÞamatÞrar) will be
active as TF3W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Jon/TF3ZA, Bjorn/SM0MDG, Patrik/SM0MLZ and Ulf/SM0NOR. QSL via TF3W, by the Bureau or direct.

TK, CORSICA. Salvatore, IK8UND, will be active as TK9R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. Look for possible activity on CW and RTTY before the contest. QSL via IK8UND direct ONLY.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The 2013 Cordell Expedition to Clipperton Island posted the following on October 15th [edited]: "The March, 2013 DXpedition to Clipperton Island has received the callsign TX5K to be used during the operation. With the addition of Luis/XE1L, Dave/WJ20, and Giovanni/I5JHW, the team has 23 members. One space remains available for another operator, scientist, or other supporter who wishes to join the DXpedition.
We are proud to announce that the QSL Manager will be Bob, N2OO. Offsite team member Dean, N7XG, is developing new software to help automate some of the operations at the QSL manager and his team.
The expedition will use DXA, the system that enables real-time Web display of the log data, first used on Kure Atoll K7C 2005, to provide confirmation of valid QSOs in about 1 minute after they are made. We will also make use of ClubLog and LoTW.
The DXpedition will be active on all HF bands and modes for about 10 days. In addition to the radio operations, the team will carry out numerous scientific projects of environmental science, especially involving studying invasive and undiscovered species that have potential for catastrophic disruption of the Clipperton ecosystem. The team will study vortex winds produced by the island, and will document foraging by congenitally deformed birds. Advisor Robert Pitman reports that a significant portion of the masked boobies are deformed and apparently are fed by their parents their entire lives.
The DXpedition is very pleased to acknowledge a personal gift from a world-famous ham of 10,000 USDs. While preferring to remain anonymous, the donor hopes that his gift will stimulate others to support the project. A particularly interesting activity will be the real-time Internet video connection with students. After the expedition the students will write essays for a compendium to be titled 'Saving the World, by We the Students.' The publication is designed to be the first of a series of 'Saving the World, by...' The team also will collect and remove plastic debris from the island. You can help in these efforts by making a donation through the link on the Web site.
Complete information about the project is available on the Web site at

<www.cordell.org/CI>. The project is being organized and will be led by:
Bob KK6EK schmieder (a) cordell.org
Chris DL1MGB Chris (a)DL1MGB.com "

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operator Yuri, VE3DZ, will once again be active as VE2IM from Sept-Iles, QC (Zone 2), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power or Low-Power entry. Yuri states that he will be there between October 23-30th. This is his 17th trip to Zone 2 since 1999. Activity before and after the contest will be on CW, SSB and RTTY, and all HF bands including the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL via VE3DZ, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update). A recent update, dated October 15th, was posted on the Heard Island (The 2014 Cordell Expedition) Web page at:
http://www.cordell.org/HD
Under "News" it states [edited]: "We have posted updates of the Project Description (version 5.2)
<http://www.cordell.org/HD/HD_pages/HD_Documents.html>
and the TEAM.
We are pleased to welcome Steve Chamberlian/VK6IR and William (Wild Bill) Beyer/N2WB to the radio team. We also welcome several other persons to the offsite team, including Yasuo "Zorro" Miyazawa/JH1AJT, Tommy Horozakis/VK2IR,
and Christopher Wells/N9LXR. Wells is implementing a real-time interactive video capability for the Clipperton Expedition (see below), and will do the same for Heard Island.
We are also pleased to welcome Dr. Robert Pitman, NOAA Southwest Fisheries Science Center in La Jolla, California. Pitman is a world expert on killer whales. Killer whales are arguably one of the most recognizable, and best-studied, large animals on earth, yet basic questions about how many species there are and how they function within the ecosystem remain unanswered. Pitman has assembled evidence for the existence of a new species of killer whale in Antarctic waters, in the area that the Heard Island expedition will be travelling. Pitman will be on the Heard Island cruise to search confirm the proposed new whale species. Confirming new species in Antarctic waters would highlight the fact that our knowledge of marine biodiversity is perhaps even more rudimentary than currently recognized.
Please note the connection between the 2014 Heard Island Project and the 2013 Clipperton Expedition <www.cordell.org/CI>. Some of the same team members will be implementing some of the same science projects on Clipper-ton that we expect to carry out at Heard Island. While being a major expedition on its own, Clipperton is also a development and test project for Heard Island. Because of this close relationship, we hope that sponsors will support both projects."

VP2M, MONTSERRAT (Update). Operators (YL) Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG will once again be on another DXpedition. This time they will be active as VP2MYL and VP2MGZ, respectively, from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) between November 5-20th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using mainly RTTY, PSK31, PSK63 and SSB, on the usual DX frequencies. QSL via DL7AFS, by the Bureau or direct to: Baerbel Linge, Eichwaldstr. 86, D-34123 Kassel,

Germany. Lot states, "We hope to have an internet access for online log because our QTH is in the north part of Montserrat." For more information and updates, visit their Web site at: http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Steve, W3HF, will be active as VQ9HF from Diego Garcia Island until the end of October. Activity will be on the HF bands, but with a focus on PSK31. QSL via his home callsign.

XX9, MACAO. Operators Francisco/EA7FTR (XX9TFR), Eugene/EA5HPX (XX9TPX), Jose/EB5BBM (XX9TBM) and David/EB7DX (XX9TEX) are now active from Pousada de Coloane Hotel, Coloane Island (AS-075) until October 29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY, with at least 2 stations on at the same time on different bands and modes. Suggested frequencies were published in OPDX.1081. There will be an emphasis on working NA and EU. QSLs for all callsigns are via EA7FTR, direct. All QSOs will be confirmed via LoTW. For more details and updates, see: http://adxg.org/macau/index.php

ZP9, PARAGUAY. Manu, ZP9MCE, announced that he will be active in both the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) and CQWWDX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL only via EA5ZD.

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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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2076. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 21st October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-21 20:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121021200003.937A333C9A@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1743
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 21st October 2012

Silent Key

It is with great sadness that we only recently learned that Philip Murphy (EI8HN) became a silent key last July.

Philip served as a committee member of both the North Dublin and Fingal Radio Clubs. For many years he was also the Morse Code tutor in NDR and helped many students pass the then 12 wpm test.

Philip was a gentle giant and was always there to help out on field days or with other projects. He was a deeply religious man and emigrated to England several years ago, initially to Lancashire and then Sunderland. Ar dheis D&#65533; go raibh a hanam d&#65533;lis.

IOTA Contest Results

The provisional results for this year's Islands On The Air contest have now been published. An extract of these results, covering logs submitted from stations operating from the island of Ireland and offshore islands, is in the contest results section of the IRTS web site: see www.irts.ie for a direct link to the results.

This year, 26 logs were submitted by EI/EJ and GI/MI stations, almost 20% more than in 2011. The highest Irish score was from the Polish-Irish Papa Lima DX group, who operated from Little Saltee Island with the call sign EJ0PL. Their total score was in excess of 6 million points. Other Irish stations with million-plus scores were EJ3Z (Shannon Basin Radio Club, who were on Inisboffin) and mainland stations EI7KD (Oleg), GI5K (Chris) and EI1A (Olivier).

IOTA contests continue to be very popular: a total of 2,517 logs were submitted for this contest - 200 more than in 2011. Worldwide, the highest score was achieved by the Slovak Contest Group operating from Sardinia, with the Bristol Contest Group - last year's highest scoring group - in second place.

IRTS Technical Panel

The IRTS is planning to launch a new service for our membership. In our ongoing endeavours to engage more fully with our membership we have identified an area we feel could be of significant benefit to them.

The IRTS Technical Panel is a group of volunteers who have expertise in, or experience of, different aspects of amateur radio. The e-mail address irtstech /at/ irts.ie is a single point of contact for communicating with the Panel. Our aim is to help radio amateurs with technical or operational problems.

Send your question to irtstech /at/ irts.ie. . Provide as much information as possible, including details of attempts already made to deal with the issue in question.

Your query via irtstech /at/ irts.ie will be distributed to all the members of the Technical Panel and the resolution to the query e-mailed to your private e-mail address. See the October edition of Echo Ireland for further information.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The SEARG tour bus was on the road again last weekend as members of the club headed to the IVETA (Irish Vintage Engine & Tractor Association) 2012 National Show which took place in the Cavan Equestrian Centre in Cavan. The lads headed up on Saturday and enjoyed a great night in Cavan town on the Saturday night. The show on Sunday was a great event with the 3 arenas in the centre packed with vintage cars, tractors and bikes. The SEARG display yet again proved to be very popular with people attending the event. Although band conditions were poor on the day a few contacts were made. Cavan Community Radio done an interview with Mark EI7IS and we will publish the link for it as soon as it becomes available.

The "Class of 2012" proved they knew their stuff at the recent exam which was held on the 4th October. The club's theory course which had been run for people wishing to do the exam was a great success and hopefully the club will run another course in the near future. The committee and members of SEARG would like to congratulate all the students on the great results and look forward to having a QSO with you all soon. For anyone who didn't succeed this time don't give up keep at your notes and the members of SEARG will be happy to help you to get ready for the next exam which should be held in early 2013.

SEARG would like to thank John Clancy of IVETA for inviting us to attend the national show in Cavan and we look forward to taking part in many events in the future. The next monthly meeting of the club will take place in Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. on Monday the 29th October. The meeting will be preceded by a committee meeting at 8.00 pm. New members are always welcome. For up-to-date news about the club you can check our website www.searg.com and you can follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held October 31st and on November 5th, the start of the classes. All are welcome to enrol. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

DX News

Yann F1NGP is at present in Guadeloupe using the callsign FG/F1NGP. He will be there until 26 October. Look for him on 40 - 10m on RTTY, CW and SSB.

Three Italian stations, IK5RUN, I5OYY and I5IHE, will be QRV from the Seychelles from 21 October until 4 November. They will use the calls S79UN, S79YY and S79LC. This is a holiday style operation and they hope to be on 80 - 10m CW, SSB and RTTY.

Mek SP7VC will be in North Africa signing EA9/SP7VC from Ceuta from 22 - 28 October. He will be taking part in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest next weekend (27-28 October)

Among the more exotic callsigns to be heard in the Contest next weekend include 6Y9X (Jamaica), 8P2K and 8P5A (Barbados), AH0BT (Mariana Islands), C5A (Gambia), KG6DX and NH2T (Guam), T88EB and T88KV (Palau), VQ5X (Turks and Caicos Islands) and ZD8O (Ascension Island). A comprehensive list of these stations and many others can be found on the NG3K website. Go to www.ng3k.com and click on 'Announced DX Operations'.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2077. eHam.net News for Sunday 21 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-21 22:10:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2354651585bf04cc990039@google.com>
Source record: 1744
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Back in Style at St. Charles High School:

Posted: 20 Oct 2012 05:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29184

Alpha, bravo and charlie are part of a new language students are learning at St. Charles High School. It comes from the school's amateur radio club, the first at St. Charles High since the 1960s, said science teacher Ellen Zerr, the club's sponsor. The American Radio Relay League (ARRL), a national association for amateur radio, recently awarded nearly $2,000 to the school. Zerr used the grant to buy a few radios and antennae that are mounted on the school roof. The club has only three members, but Zerr hopes to generate more interest in the group. She wants students to learn that operating a ham radio involves much more than sitting by the receiver. "It's not just the radio per se, it's what the kids can do with it," Zerr said. Students at St. Charles High participate in fox hunts in which they use their radio to search for hidden antennae and will try to make the most contacts during field days organized by the St. Charles Amateur Radio Club. Young interest in the hobby has dwindled through the years with constantly evolving technologies. A club like the one at St. Charles High is a good way to revitalize interest and serve students, said Ben Barnett, president of the St. Charles Amateur Radio Club. "A lot of young people are struggling trying to find their identity and finding a place where like-minded folk can get together and have some fun," he said. Senior Sean Basler, whose 16-year-old sister Jesse is also in the club, said he became interested in amateur radio for a practical reason. "In an emergency, ham radio is probably the best form of communication there is," he said. Ham radios can operate on direct current (DC) power, like that supplied by batteries or solar power, making them a reliable source of communication, he said. "The FCC let's us do it because we are the first line of emergency response," Basler said. "Cell phone towers would become very congested with all the calls in an emergency. With ham radio that is less likely because fewer people have them and they have wider broadband. There will be less congestion and you can get your message across more quickly." Beside being a valuable survival skill, ham radio has other perks. "It's interesting to hear other people over the radio," Basler said.

2078. HOT SEXY VIDEOS PRESENT MASLA PHOTOS FOR ADULTS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 01:37:35 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <607bd48d-4383-4e6f-89cf-bbfd1f1e5382@rj6g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
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http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2079. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 21 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 02:41:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba539e80e3ee1704cc9cc99c@google.com>
Source record: 1746
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Isabella County ham radio volunteers wanted to assist in crises - The
Morning Sun

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 04:19 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEGDXEIXpO01YPSVSDqA2bpz6FjeQ&url=http://www.themorningsun.com/article/20121021/NEWS01/121029978/isabella-county-ham-radio-volunteers-wanted-to-assist-in-crises

Isabella County ham radio volunteers wanted to assist in crises
The Morning Sun
Ham or amateur radio operation is the use of designated radio frequency spectrum for use in private recreation, non-commercial communication, wireless experimentation, self-training and for use in emergencies. The International Telecommunication Union ...

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Lantern tours historically good fun - Alberta Daily Herald Tribune

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 06:35 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNExvWFrkd8pOf3N443rtyWnZNLPsQ&url=http://www.dailyheraldtribune.com/2012/10/21/lantern-tours-historically-good-fun

Lantern tours historically good fun
Alberta Daily Herald Tribune
And at the Memorial Ham Shack VE6GPM, Don Allen, member of the Peace Country Amateur Radio Club, explained that innovations made by amateur radio operators were integral to how were able to communicate today. The club still holds several dozen ...

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on the road - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 03:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHzQL3CgHUQ8o6tvMXWwi4x1qGwlw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/searg_tour_bus.htm

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on the road
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
South Eastern Amateur Radio Group on the road. Over in Ireland, the SEARG tour bus was on the road over the weekend of 13/14 October, as members of the club headed to the IVETA (Irish Vintage Engine & Tractor Association)

2012 National Show which ...

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Photos: Jamboree on the Air - Mountain Xpress

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 06:36 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH5KN0WDnIZ3jjjnR23SLOiVv9gqQ&url=http://www.mountainx.com/article/46298/Photos-Jamboree-on-the-Air

Photos: Jamboree on the Air
Mountain Xpress
WCARS was featured earlier this year in an Xpress photo essay about the amateur radio service, often called “ham radio.” For more information about JOTA, visit WCARS.org or the website of the Daniel Boone Council. Jackson Morgan, age 16, of Troop 610 ...
Local Scouts Participate in Jamboree On The AirKMVT

all 2 news articles

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Amateur radio club to host scout troops - Lompoc Record

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 12:19 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHk0EFFFLHJEvnY1CMBEMcViCnt6g&url=http://www.lompocrecord.com/news/local/regional-news/article_eabfea00-18e1-11e2-bb56-001a4bcf887a.html?comment_form%3Dtrue

Amateur radio club to host scout troops
Lompoc Record
The majority of Scouts and their adult leaders will pitch tents and camp out during the event, learning camping skills as well as something about the hobby of amateur radio. In addition to the traditional equipment used for radio communication, Scouts ...

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Pico Amateur Radio Balloons - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 01:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHnFjgelMionyp27nqSeffm_6oUPQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/pico_amateur_radio_balloons.htm

Pico Amateur Radio Balloons
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
PICO doesnt have an amateur radio callsign since balloon flights are outside the scope of the UK amateur licence so they operate under licence exempt regulations.in the 433.050 - 434.790 MHz band. You can enter a callsign (e.g. KT5TK-11) or ID into ...

2080. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 06:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1350885601@panix.com>
Source record: 1747
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

2081. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 06:05:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1350885900@panix.com>
Source record: 1748
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

2082. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 06:05:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1350885900@panix.com>
Source record: 1749
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

2083. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 06:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1350886201@panix.com>
Source record: 1750
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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2084. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 22 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 11:05:50 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba61522ac0b1ab04cca3d50c@google.com>
Source record: 1601
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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DARC to oppose draft PLT standard

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0O9xueckb6k/darc_to_oppose_draft_plt_standard.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It appears the DARC (Deutscher Amateur Radio Club) will be asking the
Deutsche Commission for Electrical, Electronic and Information Technologies
(DKE) to oppose the draft PLT standard

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Complete HF station giveaways to support youth

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kyRb4hOdFjY/hf_station_giveaways_to_support_youth.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur Radio Supplies is seeking to help newly-licensed young hams get on
the air by offering a complete HF station FREE

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EU Commission updates Radio Equipment rules

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/T1JN25HKQXg/eu_commission_updates_radio_equipment_rules.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Wednesday, October 17, the European Commission published the new draft
for an R and TTE Directive

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Pico 434 MHz balloon lands in Sweden

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xILB7F8rKXc/pico_434_mhz_balloon_lands_in_sweden.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

PicoAtlas VII, a single foil balloon launched by James Coxon M6JCX on
Saturday, October 20, 2012 from Suffolk traveled over 1050 km to Sweden

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q25B-YPsvWs/october_22.htm?utm_source=f

eedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Amateur Radio Communications Workshop Report

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A report on the National Amateur Radio Communications Workshop held in
Udaipur, October 17-18, is now available

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New Amateur Radio Forum

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Southgate Amateur Radio News has launched a new amateur radio forum board

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UK to phase-out IRCs

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Phil, G3SWH, has received the following info from the Royal Mail concerning
International Reply Coupons

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2085. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 21 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 12:00:12 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20121022120003.5A59433C9E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1602
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 21 October 2012

The news headlines:

RSGB Extraordinary General Meeting, 17 November 2012

Is it time to validate your licence?

G6 QSL Manager details incorrect in RadCom

RSGB Members are now receiving their copy of the November 2012 RadCom. Contained with in it are details of the EGM to be held on 17 November 2012, at which Members will be invited to vote on new governance arrangements for the Society. RSGB Members can vote electronically via the RSGB website, by post or in person at the EGM. The Board is very keen to ensure that the outcome of the EGM accurately reflects the view of the whole membership, and all Members are encouraged to cast their vote.

If you received your Licence for Life between November 2006 and August 2007 and have not validated it with Ofcom since, then it's time to do so. Ofcom extended the validation period of licences issued during that time for an extra year, to avoid having a large number of validations to process around the time of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games. Amateurs are recommended to use the online licensing system at www.ofcom.org.uk/licensing/olc. If you experience difficulties or need assistance in processing your licence online, please call Ofcom on 0300 123 1000 or 020 7981 3131.

The QSL bureau wishes to apologise to Tony, G6GLP, for any inconvenience caused by wrongly attributing his name and call to the G6 sub-series in the November issue of RadCom. The new collection sub-manager for the G6 series of call signs is Steve Wellon, G6DMG. His details can be found on the RSGB website by following the links to QSL managers, via the Operating section. If any Member is concerned that they may have recently sent collection envelopes to the wrong address, please contact the QSL bureau. The phone number is 01422 359 362, or email QSL@RSGB.org.uk.

At 6pm last Sunday the Emergency Planning Officer from Maldon District Council requested Essex RAYNET to be placed on standby, in response to flood alerts issued by the Environment Agency. At 8pm, members were mobilised. They were deployed to the riverbanks at Heybridge Basin, Fulbridge and the Hythe in Maldon. This was in preparation for the high

tide and tidal surge due at quarter to one in the morning. High tide was reached without any significant incident, and the stand down was issued at 1am. Further information on Essex RAYNET can be found online at www.essexraynet.co.uk.

An amateur radio balloon project launched in May finally ended this month with the recovery of the payload. Argentinean amateurs, members of AMSAT-LU, launched a high altitude balloon on 19 May from La Pampa, Argentina. The payload included a 70cm to 2m 4W FM repeater, live SSTV, an HF beacon and two video cameras. During the 4 hour flight, over 200 stations made contacts through the repeater. The balloon came down in an isolated and flooded area. It was finally recovered from the mud by a 4x4 adventure group on 6 October. The flight data was retrieved, including over 6 hours of video from the two cameras. Details can be found at www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11094.

The famous Alexanderson SAQ CW transmitter will be on the air on 24 October, celebrating United Nations Day. The electromechanical 17.2kHz transmitter will be started at 1010UTC and a message will be sent at 1030UTC. More details are on the Alexanderson website, www.alexander.n.se.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 22 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Ofcom has announced that it intends to legalise AM and SSB CB apparatus, subject to the MOD agreeing to the use of spectrum allocated to it. According to the statement on the Ofcom website, the relevant ECC Decision about harmonising CB across Europe should probably be implemented in the UK by the end of 2013. The statement indicates that there are several legislative and other steps that must first be carried out. It also points out that, until these changes are implemented, it will remain an offence to install or use AM, SSB or any other CB apparatus other than in accordance with the current exemption regulations and Interface Requirement. The full Ofcom statement is at http://tinyurl.com/Ofcom-SSB-CB.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today sees the Galashiels and District ARS radio rally at The Volunteer Hall, St Johns Street, Galashiels, Scottish Borders TD1 3JX. Entry is £2.50 and the opening time is 11.30, or 11.15 for those with special needs. Details from Jim, GM7LUN, on 01896 850 245.

Also today, the Ripon and District Amateur Radio Society rally and surplus equipment sale takes place from 10.30 at The Hugh Ripley Hall, Ripon, North Yorkshire HG4 2TP. Admission is £2. Details are available online at www.ripon.org.uk/content/radars-rally-2012.

On Saturday 27 October the Radio Astronomy Group of the British Astronomical Association will be holding a one-day meeting at the National Space Centre in Leicester. The main speakers will be Prof Andrew Lyne from Jodrell Bank and Dr Chris North from Cardiff University, who is also a co-presenter for the BBC's Sky at Night.

Other papers will be presented by Peter Blair, G3LTF and Brian Coleman, G4NNS. Tickets are £15 and include a buffet lunch, entrance to the National Space Centre and free parking. Further details from Paul, G4CSD 01256 470135, or online at www.britastro.org/radio.

Next Sunday sees the North Wales Rally at John Bright School, Llandudno LL30 1LF. Opening from 10am to 4pm, admission is £4.50 and there are disabled facilities. There will be trade stands, a Bring and Buy, special interest groups and catering. Details from Gordon, MW0GBR 0773 3531 766, or online at www.nwrs.org.uk.

Now for the news of special events

Members of the Worked All Britain Awards Group and the British Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society will be operating GB0RME from Great Ormes Head on 27 October. Activity will be mostly on 40m and 80m. The WAB square is SH78 and the Lighthouse reference is A5134X. The summit will not be valid for SOTA as this activation does not fulfil their criteria. Full details of GB0RME are on QRZ.com.

The 30m Multi Mode Weekend starts next Saturday. Its stated objective is to promote experimenting and using different digital modes on the 30m band. The organisers are at pains to point out that this is not a contest, although there is an awards programme. More details are online at www.30mdg.net/news.html.

Ham Radio Celebrates Hollywood will be active on 28 October from 1600 to 2000UTC. The station is located on Stage 9 of the CBS Studio Center facility in Studio City, California. Modes in use will include HF, VHF, UHF, D-Star, Echolink and IRLP. A schedule of operating times and frequencies is on www.papasys.com. Operators will blog in real time at www.facebook.com/KA0XTT, and on Twitter as @NN6JA. A special QSL card will be issued to all confirmed contacts.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

The Radio 7 team operation on Rodrigues Island, AF-017, finishes on Tuesday. 3B9SP is active on 160-6m on CW, SSB and datamodes. QSL via HB9ACA or the OQRS on ClubLog. Full details are at http://hb9fr.ch/3b9sp.

The Canadian authorities have approved revised dates of October 22-31 for the DXpedition to Sable Island, NA-063. The two-man team of WA4DAN/CY0 and AA4VK/CY0 will focus on 15, 12 and 10m. More information is on the web at www.CY0dxpedition.com.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 22 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. F1NGP will be working stroke FG from Saint Francois Island in Guadeloupe, NA-102, until 26 October. He will be active on 40 through 10m on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

N3IQ will be on the air as C6AQQ from Nassau's Providence Island, NA-001, from 25 &#65533; 31 October. Activity will be mostly on the lower bands. QSL via N3IQ, direct, via the bureau, Logbook of the WQorld or eQSL.

Now the contest news

All contest times are UTC.

Today, from 0900 until 1200, it's the 50MHz AFS, which is a Super League event. Using all modes on the 6m band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Tuesday the 50MHz UKAC takes place from 1900 to 2130. Using all modes on the 6m band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on Tuesday, the SHF UKAC is from 1900 to 2130 on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands, all modes. Signal report, serial number and locator form the exchange.

The 80m Club Sprint is on Thursday from 1900 to 2000. Using SSB only, the exchange is serial number and name.

Next weekend sees the CQWW DX SSB Contest, from 0000 on Saturday until 2359 on Sunday. Using SSB on all contest bands from 3.5 &#65533; 28MHz, the exchange is signal report and Zone, which is 14 for the UK.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 12th to Thursday the 18th of October, compiled by Neil Clarke G0CAS on Friday the 19th of October

Seven new sunspot groups appeared during the period, however, solar activity was low on most days with a number of C class solar flares taking place, except for the 13th when none took place and, as a result, solar activity was very low. Solar flux levels increased from 122 units on the 12th to 138 by the 18th. The average was 132 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 18th was 119, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels showed little variation day to day and averaged B4.7 units. Geomagnetic activity increased to `minor storm' levels at mid latitudes and `severe storm' levels at high latitudes on the 13th with an Ap index of 52 units. Activity gradually declined and was at quiet levels from the 15th. The average was Ap 15 units. The solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw wind solar wind speeds increase from 400 kilometres per second on the 12th to 600 during the evening of the 13th. Particle densities were low every day. Bz, which is the magnetic component of the solar wind, was minus 5 and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 12 and plus 9 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. Except for the 13th, MUFs reached predicted values and some trans-Atlantic working was reported at 28MHz. VHF aurora was reported, particularly on the morning of the 13th but, since this was only a mild disturbance, few contacts &#65533; if any &#65533; were reported from the UK.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. The active side of the Sun is still expected to be looking our way. Saying that, solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels, with occasional M class solar flares taking place on the odd day. Solar flux levels should increase and be around the 150's later in the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet, however, if a coronal mass ejection heads our way then activity would increase. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz or even slightly higher. Just a reminder that daytime highs normally take place around local noon during the winter months. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 35MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 27MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 to 1600 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB

website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday the Advanced course continues, and there's a curry night at Monsoon. Dave Pick, G3YXM is speaking on Tuesday on preparing for the 160m Club Calls Contest. On Thursday it's the RSGB 80m Club Sprint SSB Contest and on Friday there's a social evening in the shack. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and on Friday there is a club net on 3.748MHz. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

South Birmingham Radio Society is having an open meeting and ragchew on Monday. On Thursday there are training classes by Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 50MHz UK AC on Tuesday. The club used equipment sale is at Aisthorpe Village Hall on Wednesday. Thursday sees the club net on 145.375MHz from 20.00, and participation in the CQ World Wide Contest starts at 23.00 on Friday, continuing all day Saturday. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427

788 356.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is on the air. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having an illustrated talk on the work of the RAIBC by Russell, G0OKD. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is looking at internet video. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society's new committee is looking at social planning and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is holding a club net on 145.525MHz from 20.00 BST. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday South Notts Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on propagation by M0RIA. Contact Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video presentation of a Hamfest lecture. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday Central Radio Amateur Circle is on the air from 20.00 on 145.375MHz. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Thursday Salop Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Details on the club website at www.salop-ars.org.uk.

On Thursday Tamworth Amateur Radio Society is having a night out on the local high spots, meeting initially at the club. Details from Darren, by email to secretary@tars.es.

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NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on motorbike mobile in Germany by Roland, M0NUE. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday Workington and District Radio and IT Group is having a talk on data modes by Alex, G7KSE. Details from Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a data modes night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air on 145.575MHz from 19.30. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday South Lancashire Amateur Radio Club is having a visit by RSGB president Dave Wilson, M0OBW and Region 3 Manager Kath Wilson, M1CNY. They will be presenting two informative talks about the RSGB and the operation of repeaters. Everyone is welcome, come to Bickershaw Labour Club, Bickershaw Lane, Bickershaw, WN2 5TE. Entry is £1 on the door, which includes a raffle ticket. Contact Allan Green, 2E0RAG, on 07533 970 841.

On Wednesday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club Club is having an activity night and, on Thursday, is taking part in the 80m Club Sprint SSB. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on beginning DXing by John, G4IRN. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Friday East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club commences its weekend operating in the CQ Worldwide DX Contest. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is recruiting candidates for a new Foundation course. This will hopefully be followed by an Intermediate course shortly afterwards. More details are on Training link on the club website, www.muarc.com.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND Jim Kelly, GM0SYV, RSGB Deputy Regional Manager for District 12, that's Lanarkshire & Renfrewshire, has indicated he wishes to stand down. The Society wishes to record its thanks for Jim's many years of service. Deputy Regional Managers represent Members within their area and are a key interface between the Society, local Members and clubs. If you think you can meet the challenge of this key post, please contact Len Paget, GM0ONX, on 01563 534 383 or email rm1@rsgb.org.uk for further details. Candidates for the post must be a Corporate Member of the RSGB of at least 2 years standing and resident within the area he/she wishes to represent.

On Tuesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Saturday Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the CQWW SSB Contest. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Today, Chesham & District Amateur Radio

Society is taking part in JOTA with 1st Aylesbury Scouts, using the callsign GB0AYL. On Wednesday there's a talk on using data modes by Terry, G0VFW, including a demo of PSK31. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has its Top Band net on 1975kHz from 8.30pm on Tuesday. Thursday sees the Advanced exam revision course at Danbury Village Hall from 7pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society has its 70cm net. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday East Kent Radio Society is closed. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk by Peter Hart, G3SJX, on receiver architectures and assessing their performance. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday Fareham and District Amateur Radio Club is having a grand junk sale from 8pm. More information is on the web at www.fareham-darc.co.uk/index.htm.

On Wednesday Farnborough & District Radio Society is having a talk by Chris G0FDZ on the history, construction, purpose, trial and tribulations of the 2m beacon GB3VHF at Wrotham, Kent. Contact Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

On Wednesday Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Tony, G4LDL on the real story of T32C. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Steve Nichols, G0KYA, on living radio history in California. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having part 2 of the talk on Linux and amateur radio by Gerry, M3ORE. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday Bittern DX Group Club is meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404 154.

On Thursday Edgware & District Radio Society is having a Morse key evening. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Logbook Of The World by Dave, M0TAZ. More information from John, M0UKD,

on 07890 222 111.

On Thursday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its autumn junk sale. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on propagation by a member of the RSGB team. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Thursday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CW Sprint contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Friday Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on UHF aerials by Arthur, G3BMI. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 22 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Friday Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is looking at the RTL-SDR with Brian, G0UKB. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding its autumn fox hunt. Cyprus Hall is closed. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday Kent Weald Radio Club is holding a club meeting. Contact Patrick, G0UXG, by email to palybl@btinternet.com.

On Saturday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the CQWW Contest from Barry's field. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is having CW practice and operations on Monday from 7pm at the Moose Centre. The 2m net is on Tuesday and the 4m net is on Thursday. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a construction evening. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding open house and is on the air. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Poole Radio Society is having an activity night and Intermediate course session. Contact Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to

secretary@g4prs.org.uk.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a visit by Tony Helm with his mobile military radios. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Thursday Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air, starting on 145.500MHz then moving to 145.550MHz. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 13:21:24 UTC
From: Iran <tamarmadgecay@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f064f6cd-157b-43d6-964b-8037868aff9c@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1603

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2087. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 15 - 21 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 15:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121022153001.EAA4933C9C@panix2.panix.com>
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http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
15 - 21 October 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels. Activity was low during 15 - 19 October due to mostly low-level C-class flares. The largest flare of this interval was a C7 at 17/0802 UTC from Region 1596 (N07, L=150, class/area Eho/460 on 21 October) which displayed a beta-gamma magnetic configuration during most of its transit. Activity increased to high levels on 20 October due to an impulsive M9 x-ray flare at 20/1814 UTC from Region 1598 (S12, L=113, class/area Dhi/270 on 21 October) as it crossed the east limb. The M9 flare was associated with a Type II radio sweep (estimated shock speed 516 km/s) and a non-Earth-directed coronal mass ejection (CME). Activity decreased to moderate levels on 21 October due to an M1/Sf flare at 21/2003 UTC from Region 1598, which was also associated with a non-Earth-directed CME.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels during most of the period.

Geomagnetic field activity was at unsettled levels early on 15 October, then decreased to quiet levels for the rest of the period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
22 October - 17 November 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate levels during 22 October - 02 November with M-class flare activity likely from Region 1598. Activity is expected to decrease to low levels during 03 - 17 November. However, there will be a chance for M-class flare activity beginning 15 November as (old) Region 1598 returns to the visible disk.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at mostly high levels during 22 - 24 October. A decrease to normal to moderate flux levels is expected during 25 October - 04 November. An increase to mostly high flux levels is expected during 05 - 17 November.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels during 22 - 23 October with a slight chance for active levels due to a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS). Quiet levels are expected during 24 October - 07 November. An increase to unsettled levels is expected on 08 November due to a solar sector boundary passage followed by a co-rotating interaction region in advance of a CH HSS. A further increase to active to minor storm levels is expected on 09 November due to the onset of a CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to active levels on 10 November as CH HSS effects subside. A further decrease to quiet levels is expected during 11 - 17 November.

2088. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 22 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 16:36:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Cq ww ssb contest 2012

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 04:36 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365688-Cq-ww-ssb-contest-2012&goto=newpost

ARCIBESSI CONTEST TEAM

II9P will be Qrv in MS category

more info on

http://ii9p.com/cq-ww-ssb-contest-i-i-9-p/

GL to all , CU in pile ups

Romeo S52RU one of II9P team

2089. eHam.net News for Monday 22 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-22 22:27:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044517a3436ebc04ccad5cd5@google.com>
Source record: 1606
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Isabella County Ham Radio Volunteers Wanted to Assist in Crises:

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29185

When it comes to emergencies in Isabella County, Marc Griffis is serious and welcomes help from others. Griffis, the county's emergency management directors, has reached out to ham radio operators to assist in some types of crises. Griffis is actively recruiting licensed ham radio operators to help out in a variety of situations including training exercises. Examples of the types of assistance Griffis is referring to include assisting in the coordination of search and rescue perimeters, communications between shelters and situations where other forms of communication have failed.

2090. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 22 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-23 02:10:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93998dfc1e0a904ccb079e0@google.com>
Source record: 1607
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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2013: Year of the "Enthusiastic Amateur" - Audio Graphics

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 09:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGPFfsG7dBTlBHr1Xjd_8KqoneDUQ&url=http://www.audiographics.com/agd/102212-1.htm

2013: Year of the "Enthusiastic Amateur"
Audio Graphics
EA in this case means a person who wants to be a disc jockey or radio program director finally getting to run their own station. The Enthusiatic Amateur is also a person on YouTube, MySpace, or any of hundreds of similar sites. As explained below, this ...

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Air Jamboree - Jamestown Post Journal

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 10:46 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFI0mpfVWTgdYJ2vzd4Mlb42vJm7A&url=http://post-journal.com/page/content.detail/id/612026/Air-Jamboree.html?nav%3D5057

Jamestown Post Journal
Air Jamboree
Jamestown Post Journal
His father, Aaron Miles, is a member of the Chautauqua Amateur Radio Service, which hosted the eight-hour crash course in ham radio operation that first caught Robs attention. The influence of Aarons involvement with CARS provided that first ...
Photos: Jamboree on the AirMountain Xpress
Local Scouts Participate in Jamboree On The AirKMVT

all 3 news articles

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Local amateur radio club to host Hamfest on Saturday - Rome News Tribune

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 10:40 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEJBhraZ_GNE-h2-Jf5Qt0jdiZQeA&url=http://romenews-tribune.com/view/full_story/20526811/article-Local-amateur-radio-club-to-host-Hamfest-on-Saturday?instance%3Dhome_news

Local amateur radio club to host Hamfest on Saturday
Rome News Tribune
These aspects combine every year at the Northwest Georgia Amateur Radio

Clubs Al Brock Memorial Hamfest/Tailgate, which will take place this Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Rome Senior Center on Riverside Parkway. Admission is free, and the ...

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Thanks to the Hams - TecheToday.com

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 01:16 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFjLYNJAS8_w_hAUmSdJxxB8njfBg&url=http://techetoday.com/bookmark/20574458-Thanks-to-the-Hams

Thanks to the Hams
TecheToday.com
We would like to thank all of the Amateur Radio (Ham) operators who helped with communications for the Tour du Teche canoe race. This year we also had help from the Morgan City BEARS club with Jackie Price coordinating. Visitors thought that the ...

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Boy Scouts to hold worldwide radio event - Bryan-College Station Eagle

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 11:52 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGJcGrb5nZYjRYGY-40GVPszR_B0g&url=http://www.theeagle.com/news/local/article_98a16fdf-71cc-5fdd-83cd-6f1c5128e632.html

Boy Scouts to hold worldwide radio event
Bryan-College Station Eagle
The Bryan Amateur Radio Club and the Texas A&M Amateur Radio Club will spend eight hours getting Cub Scouts on the air Saturday. The event, which is closed to the public, enables the scouts to talk to each other across the globe by radio. Licensed ...

2091. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 23 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-23 11:11:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0444713fc9887604ccb8066b@google.com>
Source record: 1608
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Amateur Radio Astronomer Frank Hyde

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Jy0W8ezXgw0/amateur_radio_astronomer_frank_hyde.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The East Anglia Film Archive contains a local television news item from
1960 about the observatory in St. Osyth, Essex, owned by the pioneering,
amateur radio astronomer, Frank Hyde

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Clipperton Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r8w7DBMgu5I/clipperton_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The March, 2013 DXpedition to Clipperton Island has received the callsign
TX5K to be used during the operation

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Ham Radio CubeSats in the Daily Mail

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/N3b6IuZGOAs/ham_radio_cubesats_in_the_daily_mail.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Journalist Damien Gayle writes in the Daily Mail newspaper about the recent
deployment of CubeSats from the International Space Station

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i5M0VjvCd2k/dxcc_report_2310.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
14th-October, through Sunday, 21st-October there were 227 countries active

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Heard Island (The 2014 Cordell Expedition)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2FeKbzBgEXA/heard_island_dxpedition.htm

?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are pleased to welcome Steve Chamberlian/VK6IR and William (Wild Bill) Beyer/N2WB to the radio team

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Ham radio 28 MHz balloon flight on TV News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3iHjphGjoH4/ham_radio_28_mhz_balloon_flight_on_tv_news.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Polish broadcaster TVS reported on the amateur radio high altitude balloon flight SP9UOB-2 that took place on Saturday, October 20

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SA RaDAR Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NDvCmXDctiQ/sa_radar_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next South African RaDAR contest takes place on Saturday 3 November 2012, starting at 12:00 UTC and ending at 18:00 UTC (14:00 CAT to 20:00 CAT) giving 6 hours of activity - approximately 4 during the day and 2 at night

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SARL National Field Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7ER5E_uAKN4/sarl_national_field_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The second leg of the SARL National Field Day will take place between 10:00 UTC on Saturday 17 November and 10:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November 2012 with activity on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres using Phone, CW and Digital modes

2092. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 23 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-23 16:25:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341189eab9eb04ccbc6b7a@google.com>
Source record: 1609
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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QRZ Temporarily Shut Down by Amazon Web Services Outage

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 02:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365726-QRZ-Temporarily-Shut-Down-by-Amazon-Web-Services-Outage&goto=newpost

Our cloud services provider, Amazon.com, suffered some kind of big network failure this morning, knocking hundreds of websites offline, including QRZ. The outage lasted about 2.5 hours and it looks like the worst of it may be behind us.

You can read more about it here, at http://techcrunch.com/2012/10/22/aws...ku-still-down/">TechCrunch.com

Meanwhile, it looks like QRZ has returned back to normal and things are running smoothly at this time. We would not be surprised if a few more hiccups take place throughout the day, but for now we'll keep our fingers crossed.

Thanks everyone for your patience.

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ANS-295 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 08:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365708-ANS-295-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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ans-editor at amsat.org

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October 21, 2012

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Special Symposium Visitor Hector Martinez, CO6CBF

Hector Martinez, CO6CBF will travel from Cuba to the AMSAT Symposium in Orlando next week. AMSAT extended an invitation for Hector to attend and to make a presentation. Thanks to the work done by Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK, Hector has been able to obtain a visa to come to the United States for the Symposium.

Once the invitation was extended, Hector had to approach both governments and file applications to get a Cuban passport and travel permit and a US visa. All expenses for his trip must be guaranteed by someone outside Cuba. Patrick took on that task personally on behalf of AMSAT, even signing legally-binding documents for the Cuban government to that end. Patrick has covered expenses out of his personal funds since no AMSAT funds are available. Patrick would appreciate donations to cover the expenses via his callbook address.

AMSAT looks forward to welcoming Hector, CO6CBF at the Symposium!

[ANS thanks Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK and the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

2012 AMSAT Space Symposium Begins This Week in Orlando

This bulletin is a reminder that the time of the 2012 AMSAT SpaceSymposium is quickly approaching. The Symposium will be held on Friday, October 26th through Sunday, October 28th in Orlando, Florida at the Holiday Inn at Orlando-International Airport.

The Symposium weekend will feature:

Space Symposium with Amateur Satellite PresentationsOperating Techniques, News, & Plans from the Amateur Satellite WorldBoard of Directors Meeting open to AMSAT membersMeet Board Members and OfficersAnnual General Membership MeetingAnnual Banquet-Keynote Speaker and Door Prizes

Symposium Registration including Proceedings

Starting September 24, 2012: $ 50.00At the Door: $ 55.00Saturday Evening Banquet $ 45.00Sunday Morning Area Coordinators' Breakfast $ 15.00Sunday Trip to the Orlando Science Museum - the preregistration for the Star Wars Exhibit has closed; however, access to the rest of the exhibits remains available. Refer to the Museum link on the Symposium Schedule page for tour details.Monday (Oct 29) bus trip to KSC and entrance ticket $ 100.00

Visit the AMSAT Web Store to complete your on-line registration. Downloadable paper registration forms in MS-Word format and PDF format are available on the 2012 Symposium page.

The hotel offers free Internet connection and free airport shuttle. When you arrive at the Orlando Airport call 407-709-5310 to request the shuttle. The Orlando International Airport (MCO) is the closest to the Symposium and is served by most major air carriers. The hotel address is: 5750 T.G. Lee Blvd - Orlando, FL 32822. A map link is included on the hotel web page.

Dr. Samuel T. Durrance, NASA Astronaut at the Saturday Evening Banquet

The featured speaker for the AMSAT 2012 Saturday Evening Banquet on October 27 will be Dr. Samuel T. Durrance, NASA Astronaut/Payload Specialist and Professor of Physics and Space Sciences at the Florda Institute of Technology.

Visit the 2012 AMSAT Symposium Schedule page for a complete listing of events.

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

Symposium Speaker and Presentation List is Taking Shape

The Symposium Team is working on finalizing the presentations which are slated to begin at 1:00PM on Friday afternoon, October 26 and run through Saturday, October 27 at 3:00PM.

You will hear from AMSAT's experts on topics including:

AMSAT Project Fox

Program OverviewMechanical and Thermal DesignFoxTLM softwareLinux software build environment for FoxFox radiation mitigationThe Fox Sniffer

Overview of the ARISSat-1 Mission

AMSAT and Education

CubeSat Program Space@VTRecent Progress of UCF□s CubeSat ProgramHigh School Students Building SatellitesAMSAT at PACIFICON 2012

Special Presentation by Hector Martinez, CO6CBF Working Satellites with a homebrew setup, Cuban Style

Future Missions

Demonstration of MAREA--the Mars-lander ARISS Robotics Exploration ActivityFUNcube from AMSAT-UKFUNcube DongleNASA's Open Source General Mission Analysis Tool

Advanced Technology

Future of CubeSat Communications: Transitioning Away from Amateur Radio Frequencies for High-SpeedApplying the Codec2 Low-Bitrate Voice Codec to Amateur Satellite Operations

[ANS thanks the 2012 Symposium Committee for the above information]

Successful ARISS Contacts With Youth

Luxembourg

Students from St. George's International School in Luxembourg participated in a Q&A session with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB on Monday, October 8 via an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact.

The radio connection was handled by telebridge station W6SRJ in California. Approximately 700 students, teachers and guests were in attendance - 200 in the gym watched live and another 500 in classrooms watched a "live stream" of the contact.

The audience included several VIPs: the UK Ambassador Alice Walpole, the Head Teacher Heather Duxbury and the Deputy Head Teachers (Kath Griffiths and Mark Stenton) of both primary and secondary sections. Guest speakers gave talks on satellites as well as the NASA "Moon Buggie" project. The contact was one of the educational activities

the students from both sections took part in to learn about electricity, astronomy and physics.

Italy

On Tuesday, October 9, Liceo Statale Adelaide Cairoli in Pavia, Italy took part in its Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact via station W6SRJ in California. On-orbit astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, was able to answer 18 questions during the contact as nearly 1100 students gathered for the event.

The school uses amateur radio as a teaching tool and its radio club provides students the opportunity to speak with other amateurs all over the world using different languages. This ARISS contact was used to focus on technology, science and foreign languages. The video may be viewed here: http://livestre.am/4aJ08

Successful PACIFICON ISS contact

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was held with youth attending the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Pacific Division annual convention, PACIFICON in Santa Clara, California on Saturday, October 13.

Telebridge station IK1SLD in Italy provided the radio connection.

Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, on the ISS participated in the contact which was the featured event of the PACIFICON Youth Program that emphasized hands-on radio operation, electronics kit building, orbital mathematics and CubeSat satellite design, among other STEM activities.

Fellow astronaut Dr. Lee Morin gave a presentation at the event and exchanged greetings with Hoshide at the end of the ISS pass.

An audience of approximately 150 was present for the contact; 2500 attended the convention.

[ANS thanks Carol Jackson, KB3LKI for the above information]

AO-27 Recovery Work Still in Progress

AO-27 Command Station Michael Wyrick, N3UC reported on the team's to recover the satellite and return its FM repeater back to service after it stopped responding on October 5.

The next day AO-27 was restored back to running on its primary Bootloader. Control operators were able to turn on the Transmitter for a short time. The command team downloaded the memory dump between October 8-12 to try to determine the cause of the failure. This was slowed due to interference.

On October 14 the command team recovered from the AFSK modem problem which was one of the initial symptoms of the problems. They were ableto upload the entire kernel. As of October 15 they finished uploading the high level code to AO-27. The TOPR schedule will be on digital for the entire pass until the command team collects enough telemetry and finishes the on-orbit checkout.

AO-27 crashed once again on October 16. The command team once again recovered to the bootloader state, recovered from another occurrence of the AFSK modem problem and once again is attempting another software upload.

ATTENTION OPERATORS: To prevent interfering with the command team's recovery efforts, if you can't hear AO-27 in Analog mode, please don't transmit to it.

The latest AO-27 news is posted on its webpage:

http://www.ao27.org/AO27/index.shtml

Mode V/U (J) FM Voice Repeater Frequencies

Uplink
145.8500 MHz
FM

Downlink
436.7950 MHz
FM

[ANS thanks AO-27 Command Station Michael Wyrick, N3UC for the above information]

JA0CAW Receives 5840.0 MHz Downlink From FITSAT-1

Tetsurou Satou, JA0CAW, successfully received the 5840.0 MHz downlink from FITSAT-1 while it orbited over Japan. FITSAT-1, was oneof five CubeSats deployed from the International Space Station on October 4.

He used a 38cm dish with a down-converter to an IF of 1284 MHz, a BGA2717 LNA and the AMSAT-UK FUNCube Dongle SDR with HDSDR software.

Visit the AMSAT-UK web to view a video and photos of the JA0CAW station.

[ANS thanks Tetsurou Satou, JA0CAW for the above information]

CAMSAT Announces New Details of CAS-2 Amateur Satellite Mission

First announced at the Friedrichshafen Ham Radio 2012 event, the Chinese Amateur Satellite Group (CAMSAT) has made additional information available on the new CAS-2 satellite under development. The latest news has been posted by AMSAT-UK.

CAMSAT is building two micro-satellites CAS-2A1 and CAS-2A2 to be combined into a binary star system for amateur radio communication and education.

There will be a radio link between two satellites when the satellites are in suitable positions in their orbits, so that the amateur radio communication coverage can be extended. Both spacecraft are 25kg 270x270x250mm and are planning to launch from Taiyuan into a sun synchronous, 1000km apogee, 99.5 degree orbit.

Missions of CAS-2A1 satellite:

145 MHz CW telemetry beacon 100mW145 MHz AX.25 digital telemetry beacon 500mW145 MHz FM voice beacon 500mW435/145 MHz mode Linear transponder 50 kHz 500mW1260/2400 MHz Linear transponder 200 kHz 320mW435/145 MHz APRS repeater

Missions of CAS-2A2 satellite:

435 MHz CW telemetry beacon 100mW435 MHz AX.25 digital telemetry beacon 500mW2400 MHz CW telemetry beacon 200mW10450 MHz CW telemetry beacon 200mW145/435 MHz Linear transponder 500mW

[ANS thanks CAMSAT and AMSAT-UK for the above information]

AMSAT-LU Recovers Stratospheric Balloon

AMSAT-LU launched their LUSEX high altitude balloon from La Pampa, Argentina on May 19, 2012. The payload included a UHF to VHF (4w) subtone activated repeater, APRS lu7aa-11, Robot-36 live SSTV, CW, 40/20m CW tlm beacon and two video cameras. Over 200 stations made contacts through the

repeater during the 4 hour flight that reached 34,000 meters, 111,548 feet.

Initially thought lost during descent the payload was recovered on October 6 from a muddy, flooded and isolated area by 4x4 Adventure Group. Video and sound taken by two on board TV Cameras spanned 6 hours. They can be viewed at: http://tinyurl.com/AMSAT-LU

Details of the LUSEX Experiment, part of Amsat-LU development and field tests of AMSAT Argentina's planned LUSEX satellite are posted at AMSAT Argentina. See http://www.amsat.org.ar/rescate.jpg for additional photos.

Pending approval and flight authorization by Argentina Federal Aviation Authorities AMSAT-LU plans another balloon flight during the November-December timeframe.

AMSAT-UK posted a related story at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11094 with videos and photos from the flight.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Argentina for the above information]

NASA Announcement of (Suborbital) Flight Opportunities #6 Now Open

While AMSAT generally seeks orbital flight opportunities, this NASA announcement for access to flights on parabolic flights, suborbital Reusable Launch Vehicles (sRLV), and high-altitude balloons may be of interest to our allied university groups.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Dryden Flight Research Center has released a solicitation entitled "NASA Announcement of Flight Opportunities (AFO) for Payloads Maturing Crosscutting Technologies that Advance Multiple Future Space Missions to Flight Readiness Status."

These NASA flight opportunities are for payloads that seek to gather information required for the design, development and refinement of new technologies. For instance, such information could concern how certain fluids phenomena behave, how thermal transport changes, or how human physiology is altered under microgravity.

The full document and program details are posted on NASA's NSPIRES (NASA Solicitation and Proposal Integrated Proposal and Review System; and then select the "Announcement of Flight Opportunities (AFO) - #6" link.

Applications are due on or before 11:59 PM Eastern Time December 21, 2012, and selections will be announced in a target timeframe of February 2013.

[ANS thanks NASA for the above information]

NASA History Program Office Spring and Summer 2013 Internships

The NASA History Program Office is seeking undergraduate and graduate students for spring and summer 2013 internships. The History Program Office maintains archival materials to answer research questions from NASA personnel, journalists, scholars, students at all levels and others from around the world. The division also edits and

publishes several books and monographs each year. It maintains a large number of websites on NASA history.

Students of all majors are welcome to apply. While detailed prior knowledge of the aeronautics and space fields is not necessary, a keen interest and some basic familiarity with these topics are needed. Strong research, writing and editing skills are essential. Experience with computers, especially hypertext markup language, or HTML, formatting, is a plus.

Intern projects are flexible. Typical projects include handling a variety of information requests, editing historical manuscripts, doing research and writing biographical sketches, updating and creating websites, and identifying and captioning photos.

Applications for spring 2013 internships are due Oct. 30, 2012. Summer 2013 internship applications are due Feb. 4, 2013.

For more information, visit http://history.nasa.gov/interncall.htm.

If you have questions about this opportunity, please contact Bill Barry at bill.barry@nasa.gov.

[ANS thanks NASA Education Express Message -- Oct. 18, 2012 for the above information]

Iran Capable of Launching Satellites Weighing Below 10kg

An article appearing on SpaceDaily.com says that, "MICROSAT BLITZ Iran capable of launching nano-satellites weighing below 10 kg: official", by Staff Writers Tehran (XNA) Oct 19, 2012

Source: http://tinyurl.com/SpaceDaily-Iran (SpaceDaily.com)

Iran Space Agency (ISA) Director Hamid Fazeli said the Islamic republic has the capability to launch nano-satellites weighing below 10 kg into space, Tehran Times daily reported Thursday.

Some of Asian countries and an Austrian university have announced readiness to set their satellites into orbit using Iranian space shuttles, Fazeli was quoted as saying.

He said Iran is among a handful of countries in the world that are capable of developing satellite-related technologies.

In February, Iran launched an observation satellite into orbit. The spacecraft, named Navid (Herald), weighed 50 kg and could take pictures in low attitudes of about 250 km to 375 km from the earth.

Iran, a founding member of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, launched its first domestically-made data-processing satellite, the Omid (Hope), into space in 2009.

[ANS thanks SpaceDaily.com for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

ISS orbital reboost planned. The thrusters of the Russian Zvezda service module are planned to be fired for 19 seconds on Wednesday to raise the station's average orbit altitude by one kilometer to 436 km (270.9 miles). The reboost is in preparation for the docking of the Soyuz TMA-06M manned spacecraft with Russian cosmonauts Oleg Novitsky and Yevgeny Tarelkin, and NASA astronaut Kevin Ford planed to be launched on October 25.On Wednesday, October 10 it was announced in Moscow that UK private spacefarer Sarah Brightman had passed the required mental and physical examinations to fly into space. In 2013 she will undertake six months of training at Star City in Moscow in preparation for her mission to the International Space Station. Read the entire post at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11034Bob McGwier, N4HY says that the Hume Center for National Security and Technology, and the Bradley Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Virginia Tech, are seeking applicants for junior and mid-level research staff members to support a growing body of research programs in signals intelligence, military communications, and electronic warfare. Details are posted at: http://listings.jobs.vt.edu/applican...ickFind=196236In HamRadioNow.tv, Episode 27, Gary Pierce, KN4AQ interviewed Bill Brown, WB8ELK, who sends balloons carrying ham radio to the edge of space, and David Stephenson KJ4OKJ who launches rockets with NASA. Watch the podcast: http://arvideonews.com/hrn/HRN_Episode_0027.html Additional programs can be found at: http://HamRadioNow.tvLearn some Finnish as you watch a video from Kauto, OH2LFM with OH2AUE demonstrating a P3E transponder at SRAL summer camp: http://tinyurl.com/OH-transponderWatch a video (http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11061) by students from the Univeristy of Manitoba showing what is involved in assembling a Nanosatellite. T-Sat1 will use the 145 and 437 MHz amateur radio bands.Lots of good VHF information plus the Updated VE7BQH VHF Antenna Comparison Tables is found at: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/In celebration of Britain's contributions to space discovery and exploration, Royal Mail is issuing a set of six special stamps to mark the 50th anniversary of Britain's first launch into the final frontier. Read the details posted at: http://spaceref.com/news/viewpr.html?pid=38911Ride along with Endeavour in Los Angeles on its way to museum duty in a time lapse compilation by photographer/cinematographer Matthew Givot: http://vimeo.com/51621640The next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, October 25 at 8 PM EDT (UTC-4 UTC) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available on the N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled

in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind the tale of the ham who went to his dentist to see why his dentures kept decaying rapidly. The dentist looked at the hams's dentures and remarked, "This is very odd. They look like something's been eating them. Is there anything different that you've been eating lately?" The ham said, "Well, my wife has been making a lot of eggs Benedict recently with hollandaise sauce." "Ah!" exclaimed the dentist, "That's it. I know just what you need. I'm going to order you some new dentures with plates made out of chrome." "Chrome?" exclaimed the ham incredulously, "Why Chrome?" The dentist replied, "Because, there's no plates like chrome for the hollandaise."

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This week's ANS Editor,

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Air Jamboree:

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http://www.eham.net/articles/29188

MAYVILLE - The exciting world of ham radio has cut through the static to reach a new generation. Rob Miles is an ordinary 9-year-old boy with an atypical hobby. He is a FCC-licensed ham radio operator, the result of passing a test at the age of 8. "I first got pulled into the world of radio when my dad's friends held a 'Ham In A Day' event," said Rob, who is also a Boy Scout. "I decided that being able to talk on the radio would be a fun thing to do. I took one test and failed. I took another test and failed. I took a third test, and because three is the lucky number, I actually got (my license). What I love about ham radio is that setting it up can be very elaborate or as simple as threading a wire through a pole and hanging it on a tree."

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Lantern Tours Historically Good Fun:

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The Grande Prairie Museum was born for this: A lantern-lit evening of guests journeying back through time through its many outposts. On its second and final night of its fifteenth year, the museum welcomed 50 visitors to supper, tour and dessert, at Saturday's historically-based Lantern Tours. Guided by the capable staff and volunteers at the museum, by the students of the Grande Prairie Composite High School Warrior Drama club, and by special guests, visitors toured six of the museum's many possible outposts, stopping at each for a ten minute activity. At the Pipestone Creek Store re-enactment, Selina Kingsford (played by Composite High School student Sarah Alemu) chatted to bickering sisters Mary-Lou and Jessa Kohlman (played by McKenzie Bond and Marcie Ticheler) about their love lives as they purchased groceries. "I love seeing all the people. There's a great variety that come through, from old to young," said Alemu. "It's so interesting to see the different reactions to the demonstration." The students noted that the lantern tours emphasize the importance of history, and appreciated that the event gave them a chance to get outside of school - although the night's biting cold was a sore point. In the Heritage Barn, surrounded by model farm animals and one unreasonably large white horse, Amy Muise of Northern Rhythms got guests warmed up with

a drum circle that started with a 5,000 year-old rhythm, and ended with lots of cheerful improv. And at the Memorial Ham Shack VE6GPM, Don Allen, member of the Peace Country Amateur Radio Club, explained that innovations made by amateur radio operators were integral to how we're able to communicate today. The club still holds several dozen members, who meet Sundays at the Army Navy Air Force Veterans Club. The radio station at the museum is in true working order, and Allen picked up a few distant signals during the tours. "Amateur radio is a wonderful hobby, and very enjoyable. You can talk to people all over the world," said Allen. "Once you get started, the world is yours."

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A New Set of Solar Fireworks:

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 06:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29186

The sun emitted a significant solar flare, peaking at 2:14 p.m. EDT on Oct. 20, 2012. This flare is classified as an M9 flare. M-class flares are the weakest flares that can still cause some space weather effects near Earth. Since flares are rated on a scale from 1 to 10, an M9 is a particularly strong M class flare, but still ten times weaker than the most powerful flares, which are labeled X-class.

2094. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 23 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 02:26:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399c71a9f38404ccc4d09e@google.com>
Source record: 1611
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Albion scouts visit ham radio club - The Daily News Online

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 09:43 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFe14x_PE4cRDOaSeJaUue0F7PqUg&url=http://thedailynewsonline.com/news/article_5960e184-1ccb-11e2-aac2-001a4bcf887a.html

Albion scouts visit ham radio club
The Daily News Online
Scouts in Troop 164 in Albion and their leaders got a lesson in ham radio operation during a visit Saturday to the Orleans County Amateur Radio Clubs headquarters on County House Road. Here, ham radio operator Jeff Strickland shows the boys how to ...

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Cobb confident it could win suit over radio tower - Marietta Daily Journal

Posted: 22 Oct 2012 10:40 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHe7kW4X7goMF-CzHMoK7OlMo4qSw&url=http://www.mdjonline.com/view/full_story/20578969/article-Cobb-confident-it-could-win-suit-over-radio-tower

Cobb confident it could win suit over radio tower
Marietta Daily Journal
jgillooly@mdjonline.com The Marietta Daily Journal. October 23, 2012 01:21 AM | 255 views | 0 0 comments | 2 2 recommendations | email to a friend | print. Ritner Nesbitt who has been a ham radio operator for close to 50 years was cited by code ...

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A radio for all frequencies to rule the airwaves - New Scientist (blog)

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 09:34 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFnqWTi9XolHLrf-lVFwE7r4OGTyw&url=http://www.newscientist.com/blogs/onepercent/2012/10/hackrf-sdr.html

A radio for all frequencies to rule the airwaves
New Scientist (blog)
Most wireless gadgets, like the 3G antenna in a phone, operate using a fixed radio frequency band. But. HackRF could potentially receive and transmit any radio frequency from 100 megahertz to 6 gigahertz - a range that includes broadcast and amateur ...

2095. The ARRL Contest Update for October 24, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 05:01:21 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121024042308.33984249C5@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1612
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

No question about it - you've been practicing for a while and you have
gotten pretty savvy about operating in HF contests. Now the Big Show is
starting! This weekend is the CQ WW SSB contest - arguably the biggest
radio contest of all. The ARRL CW Sweepstakes runs the following
weekend - the oldest domestic contest. Those will limber you up for
Sweepstakes Phone and CQ WW CW later in the month!

BULLETINS

November is a busy, busy contest month. With the new, improved, shorter
log submission periods, it will be easy to overlook sending in a log.
Make sure you submit your log before the next contest rolls around!

Don't forget about the new Ontario sections (ONE, ONN, ONS, and GTA) in
November's ARRL Sweepstakes that raise the Clean Sweep bar to 83.

The W1AW 160 meter signal has been off the air recently due to antenna
damage but is due to be restored shortly when a contractor replaces the
antenna on the 24th of October. (Thanks, Don WD8DSB and W1AW Chief
Operator, Joe NJ1Q)

BUSTED QSOS
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Ed W0YK is the Director of CQ WW RTTY and CQ WPX RTTY contests. K5ZD manages only the CQ WW DX contests - CW and SSB. (Thanks, Doug KR2Q)

The Cheesebits article referenced in the previous issue was authored by W3CMP, not W3CMF. (Thanks, Phil K3TUF)

The ballpoint pen invented for NASA was the Fisher space pen that was specially pressurized to work in zero gravity. (Thanks, Walt N2IK)

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Oct 27-28

- SKCC Weekday Sprint--CW (Oct 24)
- CQ World Wide SSB Contest
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, Digital, (Nov 2)

Nov 3-4

- ARRL EME Contest
- ARRL November Sweepstakes--CW
- IBM QSO Party
- Ukranian DX Contest
- Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone
- Collegiate ARC Championship--CW
- DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"
- OK1WC Memorial Contest (Nov 5)
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Nov 6)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

VHF+ contesters will be glad to know that the Lunar-Link <http://www.lunarlink.com/> amplifier business has been acquired from the estate of the late Steve Powlishen K1FO. According to Steve Simons W1SMS <w1sms@manitousys.com>, the business will immediately be known as "Lunar-Link International" and will offer the same high quality legal limit output VHF / UHF linear amplifiers, accessories, technical support, repairs and, replacement parts as in the past. Steve's partner, Lou Parascondola W1QJ states that new product orders are now being accepted for delivery starting in the first quarter of 2013.

Are you ready for the CQ World Wide Contest <http://www.cqww.com/>? Part of getting ready is to read the rules and there are some new rules <http://cqww.com/rules_2012changes.htm> this year. All online records and scores have been updated, too. You can now submit your CQWW log on via a web site <http://cqww.com/logcheck> with instant feedback on any formatting errors. There's a blog for late-breaking announcements, too. (Thanks, CQ WW Director, Randy K5ZD)

Another part of getting ready is to be sure you have the current data files that help your logging software tell who's who and where they are. Jim AD1C has updated the CTY files <http://www.country-files.com/cty/> as of 22 October. These files

contain information thatprefix (and sometimes call sign) to zone and other data. There are links to popular logging software at the top of the home page. Another popular software tool is known as "Super Check Partial" or SCP and new databases <http://www.supercheckpartial.com/> of calls for both CW/Phone and Digital contesting are now available from Bob WA1Z. More than 44,000 calls are contained in the CW/Phone file and nearly 12,000 for digital! Another update will be released prior to the CW weekend of CQ World Wide at the end of November.

Contest rental stations have been available for years and years - every type of station from primitive cabins to fully-featured turn-key stations. Remote Ham Radio <http://www.remotehamradio.com/> is now making the same access available over the Internet on a subscription basis. Whenever you are operating remote, remember to abide by all of the rules and regulations in the country from which the transmitter operates, along with any rules about remote operation for the contest you choose to enter. (Thanks, Jim N7US)

Here's one way to keep from moving your hands off the keyboard while operating - change your hands into a keyboard! <http://www.designnews.com/author.asp?section_id=1362&doc_id=249848&cid=NL_Newsletters+-+DN+Daily&dfpPParams=htid_66,bid_30,aid_249848&dfpLayout=blog>

The real-time score reporting sites, Getscores <http://getscores.org> and the Online Contest Score Server <http://cqcontest.ru/> (a.k.a. cqcontest.ru) are attracting more participants every weekend. Using these sites to watch the changing scores of other stations facilitates challenges, local competition, "contests within a contest", and can be a powerful motivator to maximize the all-important BIC (Butt In Chair) metric! The Online Contest Score Server was also used officially for real-time scoring in this year's Scandinavian Activity Contest's "National Team Contesting Trial <http://www.sactest.net/blog/sac-2012-national-team-contesting-trial/>". In addition to the scores, the site has the ability to embed audio and video streams from the stations. (Thanks, Kim OH6KZP and others)

>From the ARRL Propagation Bulletin by Tad K7RA, we learn that the NASA solar cycle prediction <http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml> has been revised slightly since last month. You may recall that the predicted peak was moved recently from Spring to Fall 2013, and now the predicted peak has gone down one point, from a smoothed sunspot number of 76 to 75.

Web Site of the Week - We take it for granted these days that power from the utility grid is ac. It wasn't always so and you can find out more about the clash of the titans <http://www.edn.com/design/analog/4398453/War-of-currents--Tesla-vs-Edison?cid=EDNToday> - Tesla and Edison - that determined whether dc or ac would eventually prevail.

WORD TO THE WISE

The time to update your logging software is today...NOT FRIDAY AFTERNOON BEFORE THE CONTEST!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Before you get too wrapped up in preparations for the upcoming contests, why not take a few minutes to send a photo and story to the sponsor of your last contest? CQ WW RTTY Director, Ed W0YK <w0yk@cqww.com> encourages you to send photos and stories about your operation. Writeup authors are always looking for material!

The webinar <http://wwrof.org/webinars/webinar/> hosted by new CQ World Wide Director, Randy K5ZD was recorded and can be viewed online. Randy's PowerPoint slides <http://www.cqww.com/images/CQ_WW_webinar_2012_web_version.pdf> have also been posted for you to download and view. Hey, I think this Internet thing may be catching on... (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

How about a little "wayback machine"with this 20-minute professional WRTC video <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BwHFMr_kRaifQV95SHhNQ1Nramc/edit?pli=1> from 1990 in Seattle? Thanks to Stu N7ZZ for converting it to digital for us to enjoy. (Thanks, Danny K7SS)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Watch for the mail carrier - 2011 Sweepstakes plaques have been shipped out and will be arriving in time to put them up in the shack before the contest! (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

August NAQP CW preliminary results are <http://www.ncjweb.com/naqpcwprelim.php> now online. (Thanks, NAQP CW Manager, Chris KL9A)

The results for the Stew Perry Warmup <http://www.kkn.net/stew/> are now posted even though the contest ended Sunday! As more logs come in - the results will be updated. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

Official results for the 2012 EU HF Championship <http://lea.hamradio.si/scc/euhf/euhfc.htm> are now ready on the Slovenian Contest Club website having been verified by the SCC Contest Committee. All UBN reports are publicly available as usual, too. Everyone can print their own certificate online directly from the results. (Thanks, SCC Contest Manager, Robert, S57AW)

IOTA Contest Manager, Don G3XTT writes, "Provisional results for the 2012 IOTA Contest were made available last week, and all entrants should have received an email from the robot with a link to the results and to their personal UBN. If you entered and have not received this information, please email me <iotacontest@rsgbcc.org> as soon as possible. We are allowing a short time for appeals and will go "final" with the results (including making the URL available to everyone) probably in mid-November."

OPERATING TIP

CQ WW RTTY Director, Ed W0YK, shares the log submission issues experienced by all contest sponsors. "It is apparent that many people do not read the robot email reply they receive. At the bottom of that email, the robot lists the format errors in the log. If you don't understand what the robot is telling you, then simply compare that specific QSO line with the format specified on the Logs web page. The problem should be obvious.

"Major logging programs like Win-Test, N1MM Logger and WriteLog all create compliant Cabrillo files ... IF you enter your data correctly. For example, if you enter your sent exchange as 'CA 03' in N1MM Logger (which is backwards from the required order for CQ WW RTTY), it will come out in that (incorrect) order in the Cabrillo file.

"You can easily edit your Cabrillo file with a text editor. Since is it common to add, change or move the same parameter field in every QSO line, a column editor is invaluable. I recommend the freeware Crimson Editor <http://www.crimsoneditor.com/>."

So read that robot message! If it tells you there is something wrong with your log - do something about it and resubmit it. Double- and triple-check your operating category and all of the information for your station. Once you have a happy robot and you are a happy log submitter - save the confirming message in an easy-to-find location. My email software has a folder named "Contest Log Submissions" for all of my log submission confirmation messages. It's easy and helps avoid the dreaded "forgot to send in my log" disease.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

We spend hours and hours (and hours) driving our cars - almost as many as we spend driving our radios. Those seats are pretty comfy - maybe some spare seats could be converted <http://www.instructables.com/id/How-to-Turn-Junker-Car-Seats-into-Beautiful-Office/> into a good shack chair with some adjustment of the table height and equipment placement. Maybe you could replace the tuning knob with a steering wheel?

Episode #42 of Chat With The Designers is about Homebrewing VHF/UHF Antennas illustrates examples of antennas for getting on 6m, 2m and 70cm (440 MHz). Get ready for the ARRL's January VHF+ Contest now! The "whiteboard material <http://dl.dropbox.com/u/43021514/CWTD/Oct16.html>" is online and you can watch live and archived presentations <http://dl.dropbox.com/u/43021514/CWTD/TeamspeakInstructions.html>, too. (Thanks, George N2APB and Joe N2CX)

When you need a little more "oomph" for a heavy job, Dan K0DAN suggests, "Another improvised 'leverage amplifier' is a large tire iron used to mount/unmount truck tires...about 5' long made of really hard 3/4" steel. It does NOT bend, and has a nice tapered lip on it for where it's supposed to pry the tire rubber on/off the wheel rim." Woof!

Switchmode power supplies are not the mysterious beasties we may think - with the right design tools, building them is easy. Try the Texas Instrument's "Simple Switchers <http://www.ti.com/ww/en/simple_switcher_dc_dc_converters/index.html>" web site for an example. A good project is building a little dc-to-dc converter to change 12 V into the 28 V needed to operate surplus aircraft relays. Don't forget the input and output filtering!

Making a PC board for power distribution looks simple but how do you know if the traces are wide and heavy enough for the load? It's pretty easy to tell when they weren't by using your olfactory senses. Here's an online calculator <http://www.desmith.net/NMdS/Electronics/TraceWidth.html> for safe PC board current that goes up to 35 A and will help minimize the chance of you saying, "Something smells hot..."

At a recent special event station setup, KL7VIC installed a hinge assembly that allows installation of a Yagi at ground level on a tilted-over tower without bending the elements. The assembly consists of two steel plates connected together with high-quality barn door hinges (see photo at right). Plate A is attached directly to the mast that is mounted in the rotator. Plate B is attached to Plate A with hinges, free to hang perpendicularly to Plate A when the tower is horizontal as in the photo. A short stub mast installed on plate B holds the Yagi boom by its normal boom-to-mast mount. While the tower is raised from horizontal the Yagi elements stay level all the way up as Plate B folds toward Plate A and the main mast. (Thanks, Rich KL7RA)

Technical Web Site of the Week - Software-defined radio is rapidly approaching a tipping point where it becomes so affordable it will start crowding out traditional radio architectures. For example, this Slashdot <http://slashdot.org/story/12/10/22/0518231> story notes that at the ToorCon hacker conference in San Diego, Michael Ossmann of Great Scott Gadgets revealed a beta version of the HackRF Jawbreaker <http://www.forbes.com/sites/andygreenberg/2012/10/19/darpa-funded-radio-hackrf-aims-to-be-a-300-wireless-swiss-army-knife-for-hackers/>,
It can both read and transmit signals from 100 MHz to 6 GHz. At Ossmann's target price of $300, the versatile, open-source devices would cost less than half as much as currently existing software-defined radios with the same capabilities. The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) pitched in $200,000 last February as part of its Cyber Fast Track program.

==> CONVERSATION

Living On the Edge

(This item was originally published in the 27 Oct 2010 issue, just before CQ WW SSB, and its message is just as important today - do you know where your sidebands are?)

With this weekend's CQ World Wide SSB Contest coming up and the 40 meter band allocations having evolved rapidly over the past few years,

it's worth taking a few minutes to review some do's and don'ts, particularly for US operators.

First, the lower edge of the US phone band is 7.125 MHz - not 7.100 MHz. The requirement is for you to keep your signal above 7.125 - all of it. If you are using LSB, the frequency display of your radio shows the carrier frequency and that has to be high enough to keep the sidebands of your signal inside the phone band. What does that mean? According to the FCC in Part 97.3a, everything stronger than 26 dB below the mean power of the signal counts as the signal's bandwidth.

Without getting into a huge derivation of carrier suppression and the effects on bandwidth of audio and RF compression and distortion, let's just say that you should tune no lower than 7.1275 or 7.128 MHz to be sure of "coloring inside the lines." I'm sure some enterprising contest station outside the US will set up shop with a carrier frequency of 7.125 MHz, but just don't call them. If you have a connection to the spotting network, you can always post a spot that says, "XY0ZZ 7.125 Not Legal for US Phone Band" and perhaps they (and those calling) will see it and move.

A similar problem over the past couple of years has been stations at the top end of 20 meters with their USB carrier frequency above 14.3475 - you're out of the band, folks! Again, just don't call them - these are not the usual frequencies for rare stations.

Another "gotcha" is caused by jumping to that freshly posted spot and giving your call without looking closely at the frequency. DX stations can operate well below 7.125 MHz, 14.150 MHz, and 21.200 MHz - don't call them there! In every contest, you can hear a steady stream of US stations well outside the US band who should know better. If you can program your radios not to transmit outside the US segments or set up your spotting network filters or logging program not to tempt you with out-of-band spots, do so. That way, in the heat of battle, you won't make a mistake. Or be tempted to "make a mistake."

Finally, before sending in your log - make sure it states the right category for your entry. If you receive ANY spots from the spotting networks by any means, you must enter in the Single-Operator, Assisted category (SOA). (This is the Unlimited category in most ARRL contests.) Most logging programs now automatically connect to the Internet and then to a spotting network, so you have to disable that feature if you are going to enter the unassisted Single-Operator category. The current versions of N1MM logging software now assume a default of SOA for Single-Op entrants, so be sure and check when you set up the software.

As you get ready for radiosport's Big One, remember to play nice. Have fun, definitely, but be sure to set good examples for good operating and clean signals. The world does listen - especially when you're living on the edge!

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

24 October - 6 November 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL November Sweepstakes--CW, from Nov 3, 2100Z to Nov 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial, category, call, check, ARRL/RAC sec. Logs due: Nov 20. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SKCC Weekday Sprint--CW, from Oct 24, 0000Z to Oct 24, 0200Z. Monthly on the fourth Tuesday local time. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC number. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

CQ World Wide SSB Contest--Phone, from Oct 27, 0000Z to Oct 28, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RS and CQ zone. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://cq-amateur-radio.com/>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW,Digital, from Nov 2, 0200Z to Nov 2, 0300Z. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/>

IBM QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 3, 0000Z to Nov 3, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial, name, country, continent, and US state. Logs due: 60 days. Rules <http://qsl.net/w0ry/HamRadio/IBMHams/IBMQPRules.htm>

Ukranian DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Nov 3, 1200Z to Nov 4, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial or Ukraine oblast. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.ucc.zp.ua/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Nov 3, 1600Z to Nov 3, 1659Z. First through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

Radio Club of America QSO Party--Phone, from Nov 3, 1700Z to Nov 4, 0500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-21. Exchange: RST, QTH, name, equipment. Rules <http://www.radioclubofamerica.org/>

Collegiate ARC Championship--CW, from Nov 3, 2100Z to Nov 5, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: See ARRL Sweepstakes. Logs due: Nov 20. Rules <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/>

DARC 10-Meter Digital "Corona"--Digital, from Nov 4, 1100Z to Nov 4, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Nov 6, 0200Z to Nov 6, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Frequencies (MHz): Monthly on the first Monday evening local time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

ARRL EME Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 3, 0000Z to Nov 4, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 50-1296. Exchange: Call signs, sig rpt, acknowledgement. Logs due: Jan 1. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SKCC Weekday Sprint--CW, from Oct 24, 0000Z to Oct 24, 0200Z. Monthly on the fourth Tuesday local time. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC number. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

OK1WC Memorial Contest--Phone,CW, from Nov 3, 1600Z to Nov 3, 1659Z. First through fourth Monday of each month; see website for bands. Bands (MHz): 3.5, 50, 144. Exchange: RS(T) and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Rules <http://www.hamradio.cz/ok1wc>

==> LOG DUE DATES

24 October - 6 November 2012

- October 25 - 10-10 Int. 10-10 Day Sprint
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSO%20Party%20Rules.pdf>
- October 25 - 222 MHz Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2012fallsprintrules.pdf>
- October 27 - Feld Hell Sprint
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprint-rules>
- October 28 - WAB HF Phone
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contest%20Rules.php#HFRules>
- October 28 - QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8399/118/>
- October 28 - EU Autumn Sprint, CW
<http://www.eu-sprint.com/index.php?page=140&lang=g>
- October 28 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest <http://fpqrp.org/pigrun/>
- October 28 - Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB
<http://www.sactest.net/blog/rules/>
- October 28 - UBA ON Contest, SSB
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/on-contest>
- October 28 - Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint, CW
<http://jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt>
- October 29 - Microwave Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2012fallsprintrules.pdf>
- October 30 - GTC CW Cup
<http://www.raag.org/displayITM1.asp?ITMID=511&LANG=EN>
- October 31 - BARTG Sprint 75
<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/contests/sprint75/rules/2012/bartg-autumn-sprint75-rules.pdf>
- October 31 - Washington State Salmon Run
<http://www.wwdxc.org/salmon-run/2012-salmon-run/2012-salmon-run.html>

- October 31 - Texas QSO Party
<http://www.txqp.net/index.php?option=com_content&view=section&layout=blog&id=7&Itemid=53>
- October 31 - California QSO Party <http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html>
- October 31 - Arizona QSO Party <http://www.azqsoparty.org/rules.html>
- October 31 - All Asian DX Contest, Phone
<http://www.jarl.or.jp/English/4_Library/A-4-3_Contests/2012AA_rule.htm>
- October 31 - Araucaria VHF Contest
<http://www.avhfc.com/rules/avhfc_ee.pdf>
- October 31 - German Telegraphy Contest
<http://kontest.de/dtc/DTC-Rules_e.pdf>
- October 31 - Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest
<http://www.mulandxc.org/?page_id=2>
- November 3 - 432 MHz Fall Sprint
<http://www.svhfs.org/2012fallsprintrules.pdf>
- November 3 - TARA PSK Rumble Contest
<http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_rumble_rules.html>
- November 4 - New York QSO Party <http://www.nyqp.org/rules.php>
- November 4 - UBA ON Contest, CW
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/on-contest>
- November 5 - YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest
<http://www.ylrl.hfradio.net/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=52&Itemid=160>
- November 5 - 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, CW
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSO%20Party%20Rules.pdf>
- November 5 - Worked All Germany Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/wag/en/rules/>
- November 6 - TRC DX Contest
<http://www.trcdx.org/html_ham/english/contest.html>

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2096. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 24 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 06:30:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51865febebd8804ccc83991@google.com>
Source record: 1613
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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HAM Days '13

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 11:52 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365814-HAM-Days-13&goto=newpost

HAM Days '13 February 23rd 2013 is a full featured HAMFest and Emergency Services Fair sponsored by the Grays Harbor ARC and held in Elma WA.

Besides all new classes, door prize, and expanded swapmeet we have a few new tricks up our sleeve this year:

1) Food Drive (admission is a can of food at the door)

2) Blood Drive come show your spirit by giving your life's blood for HAM Radio

3) Bake Sale to support local HS youth activities.

Come and check out a public service event that actually renders service to the public! We should have at least 2 Boy Scouts getting their Eagle projects and a few HS senior projects as well.

Vendors are welcome--contact Les N7GH at N7GH@ARRL.NET for more info.

2097. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 24 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 11:08:59 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3003bdb2b195ac04cccc1c19@google.com>
Source record: 1614
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Campbell Island DXpedition - All going to plan!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nNgPUVtdQl8/campbell_island_dxpedition_all_going_to_plan.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Campbell Island DXpedition activation is just a month away and all is
on schedule

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First picture from FITSAT-1 on 5840.0 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JAWyT1NMTsE/first_picture_from_fitsat1_on_5840_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When the FITSAT-1 CubeSat was deployed from the International Space Station
on October 4 it took a picture using the on-board camera

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PRISM available for Amateur Radio AX.25 Packet

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wRXmGFXRrVs/prism_available_for_amateur_radio_ax25_packet.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The team that developed the PRISM satellite have announced it is being
opened up for use by radio amateurs during afternoon passes

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100 MHz to 6 GHz Transceiver for $300 ?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ko-FFSnDGoY/100mhz_to_6ghz_transceiver_for_300.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Forbes reports on Michael Ossmann's latest project, an Open Source
transceiver covering 100 MHz to 6 GHz

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The K6BBQ interviews

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dbRSrOn_b9w/k6bbq_interviews.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rem, K6BBQ has produced another ham radio video - but this time with a difference

2098. [DXNL] DXNL 1803 (Oct 24, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 11:19:57 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
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3D2, FIJI
Ricardo,PY2PT, plans to activate following islands as 3D2PT on his way
back from the T30PY/T30SIX DXpedition:
Oct 25-27 Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WLOTA L0055)
Oct 27-Nov 3 Tavarua Island (OC-121)
QSL via homecall.

5V, TOGO
Wim,ON4CIT, will be QRV as 5V7TH from Lome (Loc JJ06od) in CW/SSB/RTTY
on 40m-6m (incl. WARC bands) from Oct 26 until Nov 5. He listens
especially for JAs. His equipment includes an Icom IC-7000, a 6 band
Hex-Beam and verticals for 30m and 40m. His preferred frequencies are:
CW: 10112, 14022, 18072, 21022, 24892, 28025 kHz
SSB: 7070, 14190, 18132, 21292, 24972, 28492 kHz
RTTY: 7042, 10142, 14082, 18102, 21080, 24922, 28090 kHz
6m: 50.090 (CW), 50.120 (SSB) and 50.200 (RTTY) kHz
Please use only the international radio spelling alphabet in SSB!
QSL via homecall, OQRS, LoTW. See: http://www.dxpedition.be/5V7TH.html

5Z, KENYA
Sig,NV7E, will join the WWDX SSB Contest in the SO/AB/HP category
signing 5Z4EE from Nairobi.
QSL via homecall, direct preferred, bureau ok as well.

6W, SENEGAL
Al,F5VHJ, hopes for many points in the SO/AB/HP category of the WWDX
SSB Contest signing 6W1RY from Dakar. QSL via homecall.

9V, SINGAPORE
Koichi,JR1MLT, will be working in Singapore for the next five years
and wants to be QRV as 9V1KK from the 10th floor during his little
spare time. He will work in SSB and CW on 40m-10m with 100 watts and
wire antenna. QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

A2, BOTSWANA
Schalk,ZS3O, has a farm in Lobatse and works as A22LL in CW/SSB on 20m every second weekend. His preferred frequencies are:
CW: 14020 kHz
SSB: 14180-14240 kHz (CQ auf 14200 kHz). QSL via homecall.

A7, QATAR
Some members of the "Qatar Amateur Radio Society" will join the upcoming WWDX SSB Contest in the M/M category again this year. The A73A team consists of Ali,A71BX, Rashid,A71AD, Abdulla,A71CV, Khalid,A71CO, Mohammad,A71EL, Saif,A71AM, Ali,A71BZ, Ibrahim,A61ZX, Khalid,A61BK, Dave,K5GN, N5OT, David,N6AN, Larry,N6TR, and Aoli,HA1AG. QSL via EA7FTR.

BY, CHINA
The YinZhou Middle School Amateur Radio Club Station members Lu,BA5FB, Jack,BA4ALC, Ding,BA7MG, Bai,BH1DYK, Wei,BD1QXU, BG4AHK, Chen,BA7NO, Jordan,BA7MY, Mark,BD4FM, Esa,OH7WV, Takao,JE2LPC, Robin Le,BD5CHU, Fan,BA1RB, Bojan,BA5BJ, and Chenxing,BD4HF, will use their club call BY5CD from NingBo City in the Multi-OP/Allband category of the upcoming WWDX SSB Contest. The station consists of two Yaesu FT-2000, stacked antennas for 40m and the high bands, 80m Foursquare, 160m fullsize Sloper and Beverage. QSL via BD4HF (bureau QSLs may take a while).

C5, GAMBIA
Lada,OK1DIX, Jiri,OK1DO, Petr,OK1FFU, Karel,OK1JKT, Vlada,OK1NY, Jiri,OK1RI, Vasek,OK1VVT, Joe,OM5AW, and Norbert,OM6NM, of the "Radio Syd Contest Group" will join the Multi/Multi category of the WWDX SSB Contest as C5A from the capital Banjul (Loc IK13uj, zone 35). QSL via OM2FY. See also: http://www.om0c.com

CU2, AZORES ISLANDS, EU-003
Kim,OH6KZP, will join the WWDX SSB Contest in the SO/AB/HP category as CR2X. QSL via OH2BH. See also: http://www.cu2a.com

CP, BOLIVIA
Peter,DF7NX, writes: "I have arrived in Bolivia and I am on the air. I use the callsign CP8MW instead of CP8/DF7NX. QSL via bureau or direct to DF7NX. Activities are planned until Wednesday, Oct 24."

DL, GERMANY
Some members of the clubstation DK0GYB (special DOK 800ANHALT) will be QRV from Freckleben castle (WCA DL-02168, COTA-DL SAB-037) on Oct 31 from 0700-1400 UTC. QSL via bureau.

EA9, CEUTA
Con,DF4SA, Jorge,EA7HZ, Julio,EA7JB, Quillo,EA7LS, Cris,EA7RU, Paco,EA7ZC, and Jorge,EA9LZ, will join the WWDX SSB Contest as ED9Z from zone 33. They will use Spiderbeams and a 3 ele Fullsize for 40m. QSL via EA9LZ, unfortunately only direct.

EY, TAJIKISTAN
Nodir,EY8MM, plans to take part in the SO/SB category (10m) of the WWDX SSB Contest from Dushanbe (CQ zone 17). QSL via K1BV.

Please no eQSL! See also: http://www.ey8mm.com

FG, GUADELOUPE, NA-102
Yann,FG/F1NGP, is working in RTTY, SSB and CW on 40m-10m from
Saint Francois (Loc FK96if, NA-102) until Oct 26. QSL via homecall.

FG/F5UTN is active until Nov 1 and plans to join the WWDX SSB Contest
as well. QSL via homecall.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA
Didier, FY5FY, will sign FY5KE in the SO/SB/LP category (15m) of the
WWDX SSB Contest. QSL via FY1FL.

GJ, JERSEY, EU-013
A few members of the Jersey Contest Group will join the WWDX as M/S
using GJ2A. QSL via LoTW or direct via GJ3DVC.
See also: http://www.jerseyars.com

HK, COLOMBIA
Members of the DX Colombia Amateur Radio Club (DXARC) and some LU HAMs
will activate the "Jumanji Contest Station" as HK1NA in the Multi/Multi
category of the WWDX SSB. The OPs will be Jorge,HK1R, Sandra,HK3JJB,
Sal,HK1T, Pedro,HK1X, Mario,HK3O, Luis,HK6P, Camilo,HK3TU, Faber,HK6F,
Daniel,LU3CT, Victor,LU3JVO, Toribio,LW1DTZ, and Tim,LW9EOC.
QSL via K6IPM. See also: http://dxarc.org

Pepin,CO2TK, will show up as HK3TK in the SO/SB/LP category on 10m.
QSL via F5CWU, unfortunately only direct.

HR, HONDURAS
HQ2DOM, Dan,HR2DMR, and Johnny,HQ2JCM, will sign HR2WW in the MO/AB/LP
category. QSL via KD4POJ.

HS, THAILAND
Champ,E21EIC, will take part in the WWDX SSB from his QTH in Bangkok.
QSL only direct, JA's via JR5XPG. See also: http://www.e21eic.net
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HS8FLU announced to join the WWDX SSB Contest as SO/SB/LP on 20m.
QSL via bureau or eQSL.

The special event station HS25DX will be QRV during the contest weekend
to mark the silver jubilee of the "100watts Magazine". QSL via E20PFE.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY, NA-015
John,KF4EME, will sign KG4EM in the SOABLP category of the WWDX SSB.
QSL via KB7GJ.

KH2, GUAM, OC-026
JG3RPL, JI3ERV, JP7DKQ, JR7OMD will sign AH2R and plan to be a good
multiplier in the M/S category. QSL direct via JH7QXJ, LoTW.
See also: http://qxj.net/logsearch/log_search.php

LX, LUXEMBURG
Philippe,LX2A, has a new setup and antennas for his contest call LX7I
and plans to join the WWDX SSB Contest in the SOAB category.
QSL via LX2A. See also: http://www.lx2a.com

S5, SLOVENIA
The special event station S512IAPMC is working in CW, SSB and digital
modes on all HF bands until Jan 15 promoting the IAPMC conference
(International Association of Peace Messenger Cities) in Slovenj Gradec
QSL via bureau. See also: http://www.iapmc.org

Until Jan 15 the special event station S505SLG celebrates the
5th anniversary of the PMC Contest organized by the radio club S59DCD.
QSL via bureau. See also: http://www.s59dcd.si

SM, SWEDEN
Once again Jef,DD2CW, and Marcel,ON6UQ, will be guest operators at the
King Chulalongkorn memorial station SI9AM in Ragunda from Oct 24-31.
Their friend Dirk,ONL741, supports them. Their preferred frequencies:
CW: 1817, 3517, 7017, 10117, 14017, 18077, 21017, 24897, 28017 kHz
SSB: 1840, 3760, 7060, 14210, 18160, 21310, 24960, 28510 kHz
FM: 145.550 MHz and repeater RV49-145.612,5 MHz.
QSL via SM3CVM.

TI, COSTA RICA
Juan,TI2JCY, Carlos,TI2KAC, Mau,TI4ZM, Eddie,K4UN, Bob,W4BW, Lex,W4XO,
and Keith,W4KTR, will join the M/2 category of the WWDX SSB as TI8M
from Costa de Pajaros at the Pacific north west coast. They will work
also on 160m-10m before and after the contest.
QSL via TI2KAC, see also QRZ.com.

TK, CORSICA, EU-014
Salvatore,IK8UND, will be QRV as TK9R during the WWDX SSB Contest and
also in CW/RTTY before and after the contest. QSL via homecall,
unfortunately only direct.

VE, CANADA
Igor,VE3ZF, will be QRV in the upcoming WWDX SSB Contest from the small
French-speaking city of Riviere-au-Tonnerre (Loc FO70, CQ Zone 2) using
the special callsign VC2X in the SO/AB/HP category. He will activate
this rare zone as VE3ZF/2 also before the WWDX Contest. His equipment
includes a Yaesu FTDX5000D, Kenwood TL922, phased verticals on lowbands
and Spiderbeam on 14/21/28 MHz. QSL via homecall.

Noel,VE2BR, and Gregg,VE3ZZ, will join the M/S category of the WWDX SSB
from Mercier (CQ zone 5, Grid Loc FN35ch) using the special call VC2B.
QSL via VE2BR.

In his 17th trip to CQ zone 2 Yuri,VE3DZ, will be QRV again in CW, SSB
and RTTY on all bands (incl. WARC) signing VE2IM from Sept-Iles from
Oct 23-30. He will take part in the WWDX SSB as SOAB.
QSL via homecall, preferably direct, but via bureau is ok as well
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Peter,VE3JPP, will use the special callsign VC3J from Coldwater in
Ontario in the SO/AB category of the WWDX SSB. QSL via homecall.

Dave,VE3SSJ/VE7VR, announced to show up as VC3X from his summer QTH in
Desbarats in the SO/AB/HP category. QSL via VE7VR.

Ron,VA3RVK/VE3AT, celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Trans-Canada-
Highway by activating the special event station XL3A between Oct 27
and Nov 25. He will use this call also in the WWDX SSB and CW Contests.
QSL via VA3RVK.

VP8/F, FALKLAND ISLANDS, SA-002
Rich,G0ZEP, is staying on the "RAF Mount Pleasant Airport" by the end
of October and plans to hit the airwaves as VP8DFR from both the
East (WLOTA 1479) and West Islands (SA-002, WFF GFF-024).
QSLs via homecall, unfortunately only direct (QRZ.com).

VQ9, CHAGOS ARCHIPELAGO, AF-006
Steve,W3HF, is working as VQ9HF mainly in PSK31 on HF until the end
of October. QSL via homecall.

ZP, PARAGUAY
Manu,ZP9MCE, announced his participation in both WWDX Contests.
QSL via EA5ZD.

W, USA
The special event station K6H will be active from the historic stage 9
of the CBS Studio Center on Oct 28 (1600 UTC-2000 UTC).
See also: http://www.papasys.com

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Eric,K9GY, will be QRV as T6MO in the SO/SB/LP category on 10m or 15m.
QSL via homecall.

YS, EL SALVADOR
Mario,YS1GMV, Mario,YS1MAE, and other members of the Club de Radio
Aficionados de El Salvador (CRAS) will be QRV as YS1YS in the M/S
category of the WWDX SSB Contest. QSL via YS1GMV.

HST WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
The German team has won one gold and three bronze medals at the High
Speed Telegraphy Wolrd Championship. Congratulations to the winners!
See also: http://www.hst2012.ch and
http://www.videoportal.sf.tv/video?id=0a7308a3-dd09-4f82-a548-57a5e31e8eec

SILENT KEY: Bob,VK2ABP, also known as VK0BP and AX0VB from the Davis Base
passed away at the age of only 36 years on Oct 14.
Our condolences and sympathy are with his family and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could
get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Oct 27/28 CQ WWDX Contest, SSB

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Sindre,EA8/LA6OP, will be active from
Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276) working holiday style in CW and SSB
on 20m-10m between Oct 25 and Nov 8. QSL via LA6OP (bureau/direct).

AF-014, CT3, Madeira archipelago: Correction to DXNL 1802:
Peter,CT9/DH4JQ, Marion,CT9/DF4UM, Marco,CT9/DJ5KW, Alfons,CT9/DJ8VC,
and Karlfried,CT9/DL1EK, are working from Santana on Ilha da Madeira
(DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, DPRN FF-101, WFF CTFF-030, WLOTA 0053) from
Oct 21 until Nov 2. They will join the WWDX SSB as CR3L.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct). QSL for CR3L via DJ6QT.

AS-013, 8Q, Maldive Islands: Jim,G3VDB, is going to spend his holiday in the
Vilamendhoo Island Resort again from Oct 29 until Nov 11. He plans to
work in holiday style signing 8Q7EJ in CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY mainly
on 20m. QSL via G3VDB (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.clublog.org/logsearch/8Q7EJ

AS-015, 9M2, Pinang state group: Rich,PA0RRS, will be QRV in CW, RTTY and
PSK signing 9M2MRS from Pulau Penang (WLOTA 2952) between Oct 30 and
Dec 26. He may work also in SSB if needed.
QSL via PA0RRS (bureau/direct). LoTW and eQSL are planned as well.

AS-060, HL4, Cholla-Namdo province group: Some members of the Korean Contest
Club (OPs: Han,DS2GOO, Yongsup,DS3GLW, Joon-Woo,DS3MLG, Rew,DS4NYE,
Rocky,HL1VAU, and Kijun,HL3AMO) plan a DXpedition to Pigum Island.
There were two announcements made: D9K from Oct 26-29 and D93I from
Oct 21-29. They will join the WWDX SSB Contest as well.
QSLs only direct via DS4NYE or LoTW. See also: http://www.d9k.org

AS-075, XX9, Macau group: Andrea,IK7YTT, is travelling to Coloane Island in
the Guangdong province from Oct 26-29 and plans to show up as XX9TTT
on 15m during the WWDX SSB. He will work also on the other bands before
and after the contest. QSL via IZ8CCW. See: http://www.mdxc.org/xx9ttt

AS-126, HS, Malay Peninsula South West group: Eddy,ON4AFU, is going to visit
the Butang archipelago situated in the Tarutao National Marine Park
(WFF HSFF-094) from Oct 26 until Nov 4. Listen for HS0ZJF/9 only in CW
on 40m-10m. QSL via ON4AFU (bureau/direct). See: http://www.on4afu.net

EU-053, OJ0, Market Reef: Several activities are planned from Market Reef.
Timo,OG9X, Simo,OH2HAN, and Juha,OH6XX, will stay on Market and its
lighthouse (WFF OHFF-038, ARLHS MAR-001, TWLHD WLH OJ0-001, WLOTA 0542)

from Oct 25-29. Operation takes place as OJ0B, OJ0MI and OJ0X. During
the upcoming WWDX SSB Contest OJ0X is working on 15m and OJ0B on 80m.
OJ0MI will be QRV in RTTY only.
QSLs for OJ0B and OJ0X via OH2BH. QSLs for OJ0MI via OH2HAN.

EU-057, DL, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern state group: Volkert,DL6BE/p, will be
QRV from Oehe Island (GIA O-019) on the usual IOTA frequencies
between Oct 29 and Nov 4. QSL via DL6BE (bureau/direct).

NA-005, VP9, Bermuda Islands: Les,VP9/N1SV, is working on all HF bands from
Hamilton Parish on Bermuda from Oct 24-28. He will sign VP9I in the
WWDX SSB Contest.
QSL for VP9/N1SV via N1SV (bureau/direct), QSL for VP9I via N1HRA (d).

NA-103, VP2M, Montserrat: Dave,G3NKC, Martin,G4XUM, Stewart,GM4AFF, and
George,K2DM, will be active as VP2MKC, VP2MXU, VP2MAF and VP2MDG on
the HF bands from Oct 24-30. They plan to take part in the WWDX SSB
as VP2MDG. QSL for VP2MDG via K2DM (bureau/direct).
QSLs for VP2MKC, VP2MXU and VP2MAF via GM4FDM (see QRZ.com).

NA-107, FM, Martinique: Robert,S53R, will be QRV as FM/S53R before and after
the contest. He is using the QTH of FM5BH. QSL via S53R (direct/LoTW).

OC-009, T8, Palau Islands: Hisashi,JF2SKV, will stay on Koror Island from
Oct 26-30 and will hand out some IOTA points as T88KV in CW, SSB and
digital modes including the WWDX SSB Contest. ASL via JF2SKV.
See: http://www.facebook.com/jf2skv and http://blog.goo.ne.jp/skv_2006

OC-019, KH6/7, Hawaiian Islands: Carl,KH6/KI5SF, will be active from
Hawaii (USi HI025S, WLOTA 0065) working holiday style in SSB and
little CW on 80m-10m from Oct 26 until Oct 27 (0600 UTC).
QSL only direct via KI5SF.

OC-086, KH0, Northern Mariana Islands: The Saipan BBQ Contest Club members
Kuny,W1FPU, Harry,KW2X, Moto,W1NDE, Nao,NA8O, and Yuzo,KH0XW, plan to
become active as KH0/homecall from Saipan (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333,
Grid Loc QK25) from Oct 25-28. They will sign AH0BT in the WWDX SSB.
Their QSL routes are: KH0/W1FPU via 7L1FPU, KH0/KW2X via JG7PSJ,
KH0/W1NDE via JE1NDE, KH0/NA8O via JK1FNL and KH0XW via JQ2WTT.
QSL for AH0BT via 7L1FPU (bureau/direct).

IOTA activities in the WWDX SSB Contest

The WWDX Contest in SSB will take place on Oct 27/28 and following stations
have announced IOTA activities during the Contest:

AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Luis,EA8AY, plans his first SSB Contest from
Santa Cruz on Isla de Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276). QSL via W2GR.
See also: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

Mauri,EA8CMX, will be QRV as EF8S from Gran Canaria (DIE S-005,
WFF EAFF-078). QSL via OH2BYS (bureau/direct).

EF8R from Gran Canaria (DIE S-005, WFF EAFF-078, WLOTA 0969) will be
another station joining the WWDX. QSL via EB7DX (d), LoTW.

AF-018, IH9, Pantelleria Island: Raffaele,IH9YMC, will be active from
Hic Sunt Leones/ on Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124,
WLOTA 0041, DLI IH9001, WFF-IFF-444). QSL only via eQSL.

AF-019, IG9, Pelagie Islands: Luigi,IK8HCG, plans to activate the lighthouse
Capo Grecale on Lampedusa Island as IG9R. QSL via IK8HCG.

AS-004, 5B, Cyprus Island: Mark,M0DXR, will take part in the WWDX as P3F
from Cyprus (MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051). QSL via M0DXR (bureau/direct).

Spyros,5B4MF, will join as C45T from Nicosia (MIA MCI-002, WLOTA 0051).
QSL via 5B4MF.

AS-020, BV, Taiwan Island: BX5AA is working from Taiwan (WLOTA 0022).
QSL only direct via BX5AA. See also: http://blog.yam.com/bx5aa

EU-002, OH0, Aland Islands: Pekka,OH2YY, plans to join the contest as OH0YY
from the Aland Islands. QSL via OH2YY (bureau/direct).

Kim,OH6KZP, will be QRV as OH0X from there as well. QSL via OH2TA.

Waldemar,SM0TQX, is working as OH0JFP from Mariehamn (WFF OHFF-037,
WLOTA 1373) in the contest. QSL via SM0TQX (bureau/direct).

Tomi,OH6EI, will be QRV as OH0Z from Mariehamn (WFF OHFF-037, WLOTA
1373). QSL via W0MM (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.oh0z.net

EU-021, TF, Iceland: Siggi,TF3CW, wants to activate Seltjarnarnes
(WLOTA 2975) during the contest. QSL only direct via LX1NO.

Another station from Iceland is TF3W. QSL via TF3GB (bureau/direct).

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Zoli,HA5PP, is working as 9H3PP from Qawra on
Malta (EU-023, MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, Loc JM75fw). QSL via HA5PP.

Another station from Malta (MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113) is 9H9X.
QSL via LoTW.

EU-025, IT9, Sicily Island: Members of the Arcibessi Contest Team will be
activr as II9P from Ragusa on Sicily (EU-025, IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107,
WLOTA 1362, Loc JM76IX, CQ Zone 15). QSL via IT9CHU (d/L).

EU-053, OJ0, Market Reef: G3TXF, G3XTT, SM0DZB and SM0W will be QRV on the
bands as OJ0R. QSL via G3TXF.

EU-054, I*9, Egadi Islands: IF9A is working from Favignana (IIA TP-011,
MIA MI-025, WLOTA 1545). QSL via IT9ATF (bureau/direct).

EU-116, GD, Isle of Man: Stewart,G3RXQ, wants to join the contest as GD3RXQ
from the Isle of Man (WLOTA 0449). QSL only via LoTW.

NA-001, C6, Great Bahama Bank group: The clubstation N3IQ plans to take part
in the contest as C6AQQ from New Providence Island (WLOTA 1115).
QSL via N3IQ (bureau/direct/LoTW).

NA-002, VP5, Caicos Islands: Bill,KX4WW, Noll,W9RN, Jim,K9PPY and Doug,W4OX,
plan to use the special callsign VQ5X from Long Bay.
QSL direct/LoTW via W4OX.

NA-015, CO, Cuba: T46A plans to join the WWDX SSB Contest from
Santa Clara (WLOTA 0032). QSL direct via EA5GL.

NA-021, 8P, Barbados: 8P2K is the contest call of Dean,8P6SH, to hand out
a few points from Barbados (WLOTA 0999). QSL via KU9C.

8P5A wants to join the contest as well. QSL via NN1N.

NA-027, VO1, Newfoundland Island: Gus,VO1MP, will activate the special
call VD1M from Portugal Cove-St. Philip's, Conception Bay county
(CIsA NF-001, WLOTA 0345). QSL direct via VO1MP.

NA-080 C6, Little Bahama Bank group: George,KQ8Z, will be QRV again as C6AZZ
from Grand Bahama Island (WLOTA 0527). QSL only direct via KQ8Z.

NA-097, 6Y, Jamaica: Paul,K1XM, and Charlotte,KQ1F, will be QRV as 6Y9X
from Jamaica (WLOTA 0214). QSL via KQ1F (bureau/direct).

NA-099, KP4, Puerto Rico: Jaime,WP3A, will use the clubstation NP3X in
Coamo (USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802) in the WWDX. QSL via NP3O (direct/LoTW).

Jeff,N5TJ, will be QRV as NP4Z from San Juan (USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802).
QSL direct via N4AO.

NA-106, KP2, Virgin Islands: Bob,KP2/NQ3X, will be active from Christiansted
on St. Croix (USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477). QSL via NQ3X (direct/LoTW).

Yuri,N2TTA, plans to show up as KP2MM from the British Virgin Islands
(USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477) in the contest.
QSL via LoTW or direct via N2TTA. See also: http://www.n2tta.info

NA-107, FM, Martinique: Robert,S53R, is working as TO9R from Ducos on
Martinique (DIFO FM-001, WLOTA LH-1041,DDFM 97) during the contest.
QSL only direct via S53R.

OC-009, T8, Palau Islands: After pausing for 10 years Nob,JH1EAQ, will join
the WWDX again as T88EB from Palau Island. QSL via JH1EAQ.

OC-019, KH6, Hawaiian Islands: Jim,N6TJ, is working as NH7A from Kea'au on
Hawaii (USi HI025S, WLOTA 0065). QSL via F5VHJ (bureau/direct).

OC-026, KH2, Guam Island: Joel,KG6DX, will be QRV from Latte Heights on
Guam (USi GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064).
QSL direct via QRZ.com and LoTW.

NH2T will be another station active from Guam (OC-026, USi GU003S,
WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064, CQ Zone 27). QSL via W2YC (bureau/direct).

SA-011, Trinidad: Chris,9Y4D (ex 9Y4NZ), plans to join the WWDX as well.
QSL see QRZ.com.

SA-036, P4, Aruba Island: John,W2GD, is working as P40W from Aruba
(WLOTA 0033). QSL via N2MM (bureau/direct) and LoTW.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

25Oct-03Nov 3D2PT 1803 *
01Aug-28Oct 3Z70ZK 1791
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
02Oct-27Oct 5H2DK 1799
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798
26Oct-05Nov 5V7TH 1803 *
-15Dec 5X1NH 1801/1802
-2014 5Z4EE 1772/1799/1803 *
2012 6D0LM 1774
22Oct-03Nov 6V7S 1802
27Oct/28Oct 6W1RY 1803
27Oct/28Oct 6Y9X 1803 *
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Oct 8J0WAZA 1780
01Oct-04Nov 8J1ARK 1800
-31Dec 8J1KS 1800
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-31Dec 8J1STGY 1800
20Oct-25Nov 8J2ARDF 1802
-03Nov 8J2YDU 1794
-31Dec 8J3IPA 1802
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
06Oct-05Nov 8J6BAL 1800
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-31Oct 8N0CLEAN.. 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
-30Nov 8N1YKR 1800
-30Nov 8N2100MD 1800
27Oct/28Oct 8P2K 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct 8P5A 1803 *
23Oct- 8P9NX.. 1802
29Oct-11Nov 8Q7EJ 1803 *
Unknown 8Q7HA 1796
Unknown 9G5ZS 1795
27Oct/28Oct 9H3PP 1803 *

27Oct/28Oct 9H9X 1803 *
Unknown 9J2JA 1796
-Dec 9J2RI 1739/1742
30Oct-26Dec 9M2MRS 1803 *
Resident 9V1KK 1803 *
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751
27Oct/28Oct 9Y4D 1803 *

Resident A22LL 1803 *
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
27Oct/28Oct A73A 1803 *
22Oct-31Oct AA4VK/CY0 1800/1800
23Oct-30Oct AH0/K0BBC 1802
23Oct-30Oct AH0/N0AT 1802
27Oct/28Oct AH0BT 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct AH2R 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct BX5AA 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct BY5CD 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct C5A 1803 *
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
-28Oct CG3X 1800
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
19Oct-24Oct CP8MW 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct CR2X 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct CR3L 1802
27Oct/28Oct C45T 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct C6AQQ 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct C6AZZ 1803 *
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DF4UM 1802
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DH4JQ 1802
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DJ5KW 1802
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DJ8VC 1803 *
21Oct-02Nov CT9/DL1EK 1802
22Oct-31Oct CY0/AA4VK 1802
22Oct-31Oct CY0/WA4DAN 1802
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784

-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
21Oct-29Oct D93I 1803 *
26Oct-29Oct D9K 1803 *
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
31Oct DK0GYB 1803 *
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
29Oct-04Nov DL6BE/p 1803 *
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767

-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791

27Oct/28Oct E21EIC 1803 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
20Oct-31Oct EA6/AA5UK 1802
15Oct-28Oct EA8/DL3FCG 1800
25Oct-08Nov EA8/LA6OP 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct EA8AY 1803 *
22Oct-28Oct EA9/SP7VC 1802
27Oct/28Oct ED9Z 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct EF8R 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct EF8S 1803 *
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
21Oct-30Oct EI8GQB.. 1802
27Oct/28Oct EY8MM 1803 *
-26Oct FG/F1NGP 1803 *
-01Nov FG/F5UTN 1803 *
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
19Oct-06Nov FO/F4GYP.. 1802
02Oct-08Nov FO/F6BCW.. 1799/1800
27Oct/28Oct FY5KE 1803 *

-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
27Oct/28Oct GD3RXQ 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct GJ2A 1803 *
Oct GX4BJC/A .. 1800
17Oct-10Dec H44MS 1802
-Dec/13 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
27Oct/28Oct HK1NA 1803 *
18Sep-18Nov HK3JCL 1762/1797
27Oct/28Oct HK3TK 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct HR2WW 1803 *
26Oct-04Nov HS0ZJF/9 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct HS25DX 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct HS8FLU 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct IF9A 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct IG9R 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct IH9YMC 1803 *
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
27Oct/28Oct II9P 1803 *
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
22Oct-29Oct J3? 1802

14Oct-07Nov J79WE 1800
-Nov JW2US 1791/1797

28Oct K6H 1803 *
21Oct-26Oct K9YNF/4 1802
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
27Oct/28Oct KG4EM 1803 *
11Oct-27Oct KG4KL 1800
11Oct-27Oct KG4WV 1800
27Oct/28Oct KG6DX 1803 *
25Oct-28Oct KH0/KW2X 1803 *
25Oct-28Oct KH0/NA8O 1803 *
25Oct-28Oct KH0/W1FPU 1803 *
25Oct-28Oct KH0/W1NDE 1803 *
25Oct-28Oct KH0XW 1803 *
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
26Oct-27Oct KH6/KI5SF 1803 *
23Oct-29Oct KH8/JA2ZL 1802
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
long term KP2/NQ3X 1799/1803 *
27Oct/28Oct KP2MM 1803 *
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
27Oct/28Oct LX7I 1803 *
20Oct-27Oct MS0WRC 1802

27Oct/28Oct NH2T 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct NH7A 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct NP3X 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct NP4Z 1803 *
Resident OD5RW 1799
27Oct/28Oct OH0JFP 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct OH0X 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct OH0YY 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct OH0Z 1803 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
25Oct-29Oct OJ0B 1803 *
25Oct-29Oct OJ0MI 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct OJ0R 1803 *
25Oct-29Oct OJ0X 1803 *
-15Nov ON44CLM 1802
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
20Oct-12Nov P29VCX.. 1802
-31Dec P3EU 1786
27Oct/28Oct P3F 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct P40W 1803 *
Oct P40Z 1799/1802
04Oct-31Oct PB100PREFIX 1800
01Oct-01Nov PJ6/G4IUF 1799

-15Jan S505SLG 1803 *
-15Jan S512IAPMC 1803 *
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
20Oct-04Nov S79LC 1802
20Oct-04Nov S79UN 1802
20Oct-04Nov S79YY 1802
24Oct-31Oct SI9AM 1803 *
16Oct-25Oct T30PY.. 1801
27Oct/28Oct T46A 1803 *
Feb/13 T6LG 1795
27Oct/28Oct T6MO 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct T88EB 1803 *
26Oct-30Oct T88KV 1803 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
27Oct/28Oct TF3CW 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct TF3W 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct TI8M 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct TK9R 1803 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
20Oct-30Oct TO2A 1802
27Oct/28Oct TO9R 1803 *
-01Nov UK/UA1ZEY 1802

21Oct-30Oct V31MW 1802
12Oct-01Nov V47JA 1800
12Oct-01Nov V47HAM 1800
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
27Oct/28Oct VC2B 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct VC2X.. 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct VC3J 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct VC3X 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct VD1M 1803 *
23Oct-30Oct VE2IM 1803 *
24Oct-30Oct VP2MAF 1803 *
24Oct-30Oct VP2MDG 1803 *
24Oct-30Oct VP2MKC 1803 *
24Oct-30Oct VP2MXU 1803 *
23Oct-30Oct VP5/K4QE 1802
23Oct-30Oct VP5/N2VW 1802
23Oct-30Oct VP5/WA2VYA 1802
27Oct/28Oct VP5T 1802
Unknown VP8DFR 1803 *
24Oct-28Oct VP9/N1SV 1803 *
27Oct/28Oct VP9I 1803 *
20Oct-4Nov VQ92JC 1802
-Oct VQ9HF 1803 *
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
27Oct/28Oct VQ5X 1803 *
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800

22Oct-31Oct WA4DAN/CY0 1800/1801
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
27Oct-25Nov XL3A 1803 *
18Oct-29Oct XX9TBM 1802
18Oct-29Oct XX9TEX 1802
18Oct-29Oct XX9TFR 1802
18Oct-29Oct XX9TPX 1802
Unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
26Oct-29Oct XX9TTT 1803 *
23Oct-29Oct YN2AA 1802
27Oct/28Oct YS1YS 1809*
22Oct-25Oct Z21GF 1802
Unknown Z81A.. 1798
Unknown Z88Z 1800
18Oct-30Oct ZD8O 1802
Unknown ZD9KX 1795
-Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
27Oct/28Oct ZP9MCE 1803 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B9SP via HB9ACA (B), OQRS, (L)
3D2GC via LZ1GC (B)
3D2MM via VK4AN (B)
3D2NW via RW4RW
3D2ZY via PY7ZY (B)
3D2PT via PY2PT
4L/UA1AMM via UA1FA
4X130RISHON via 4Z4KX
5W1SA via JA1DXA (B), (L)
7Z7AB via 7Z1CQ
9A55AX via 9A4J (B)
9H3CZ via OK1CZ (B)
5V7TH via ON4CIT (B) OQRS, (L)
5Z4EE via NV7E (d), (B)
6W1RY via F5VHJ (B)
6Y9X via KQ1F (B)
8P2K via KU9C (B)
8P5A via NN1N(B), (L)
8Q7EJ via G3VDB (B)
9H3PP via HA5PP (B)
9H3TJ listen for OP instruction (NL8F)
9H3WM listen for OP instruction (WS7L)
9H3ZD via K7ZSD (B)
9H9X (L)
9M2MRS via PA0RRS (B), (L)
9V1KK via JR1MLT (d)
9Y4D QRZ.com

A22LL via ZS3O (B)
A73A via EA7FTR (B)
AH0BT via 7L1FPU (B)
AH2R via JH7QXJ (d), (L)
BX5AA (d)
BY5CD via BD4HF (B)
C45T via 5B4MF
C5A via OM2FY (B)
C6AQQ via N3IQ (B), (L)
C6AZZ via KQ8Z (d)
CO8TW via HB9SVT (B), (L), eQSL
CP8MW via DF7NX (B)
CR2X via OH2BH (B)
CT9/DJ8VC via DJ8VC (B)
CT9/DL6MLA via DL6MLA (B)
D2QR via RW6HS (d)
D9K via DS4NYE (d)
DK0GYB (B)
DL6BE/p via DL6BE (B)
DQ0STRATEX via DK4REX (B)
E21EIC (d), JAs via JR5XPG (B)
EA8/LA6OP via LA6OP (B)
EA8AY via W2GR
ED9Z via EA9LZ (d)
EF8S via OH2BYS (B)
EG1RGC via EA1SV
EG5MAT via EA5BX (B)
EG8TT via EA8URT (d)
EH2RGC via EA2AK (B), eQSL
EI/OK1HAG/p via OK1HAG (B)
EY8MM via K1BV (B)
F/I1UWF via I1UWF (B)
FG/F1NGP via F1NGP (B)
FG/F5UTN via F5UTN
FG/TU5KG via F4DXW (d)
FY5KE via FY1FL (B)
GB2NLO eQSL
GB2SBC eQSL
GD3RXQ via LoTW
GJ2A via GJ3DVC (d), (L)
GX4HRC/A via G3SVK (B)
HB9/SN0HST via SP3SLU (B)
HB9HST via HB9JOE (B), (L)
HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (d)
HK1NA via K6IPM (B)
HK3TK via F5CWU (d)
HR2WW via KD4POJ
HS0ZJF/9 via ON4AFU (B)
HS25DX via E20PFE
HS8FLU (B), eQSL

IF9A via IT9ATF (B)
IG9R via IK8HCG (B)
IH9YMC via eQSL
II5Iss via IZ5JLW (B), (L)
II9P via IT9CHU (d), (L)
IL7/IK4JQQ via IK4JQQ
JA6CNH/6 via JA6CNH
JF6XQJ/6 via JF6XQJ
KG4EM via KB7GJ
KG6DX via KG6DX (d), (L)
KH0/KW2X via JG7PSJ (B)
KH0/KW2X via JG7PSJ (B)
KH0/NA8O via JK1FNL (B)
KH0/NA8O via JK1FNL (B)
KH0/W1FPU via 7L1FPU (B)
KH0/W1FPU via 7L1FPU (B)
KH0/W1NDE via JE1NDE (B)
KH0/W1NDE via JE1NDE
KH0XW via JQ2WTT (B)
KH0XW via JQ2WTT
KH6/KI5SF via KI5SF (d)
KP2/NQ3X via NQ3X (d), (L)
KP2MM via N2TTA (d), (L)
LX7I via LX2A (B)
MW6VOW via EB7DX (d)
MX0LDG via M0URX (B), (L), OQRS
NH2T via W2YC (B)
NH7A via F5VHJ (B)
NP3X via NP3O (d), (L)
NP4Z via N4AO (d)
OG3077F via OH3JF (B)
OH0Z via W0MM (B)
OJ0B via OH2BH (B)
OJ0MI via OH2HAN (B)
OJ0X via OH2BH (B)
OK8EU via OK1BZ (B)
OO5ZZ via ON5ZZ (B)
OZ1BIKE via OZ1ACB (B)
P3F via M0DXR (B)
P40W via N2MM (B), (L)
RK6UWA/p via RK6UWA
S505SLG via S59DCD (B)
S512IAPMC via S59DCD (B)
SI9AM via SM3CVM (B)
T30PY via PY2PT (B, also OQRS)
T30TT via W7JET (B), (L), eQSL
T6MO via K9GY (B), (L)
T80W via JM1LJS (B)
T88EB via JH1EAQ (B)
T88EC via JO1AEC

T88IK via JF1LUT (B)
T88KV via JF2SKV (B)
TF3CW via LX1NO (d)
TI8M via TI2KAC (B)
TK9R via IK8UND (d)
TM5BRT via F5THW (B)
TO9R via S53R (d)
TP2CE via F5LGF (B)
TT8TT via I2YSB (L), (d), IK2CIO (B)
UU4JQR/p via UU4JQR
UU4KU/p via UU4KU
V63CP via JH1BLP (B)
VC2B via VE2BR (B)
VC2X via VE3ZF
VC3J via VE3JPP (B)
VC3X via VE7VR (B)
VD1M via VO1MP (d)
VE2IM via VE3DZ (B)
VE3ZF/2 via VE3ZF
VK9XM via OH2YY (B)
VP2MAF via GM4FDM (QRZ.com)
VP2MDG via K2DM (B)
VP2MKC via GM4FDM (QRZ.com)
VP2MXU via GM4FDM (QRZ.com)
VP8DFR via G0ZEP (d)
VP9/N1SV via N1SV (B)
VP9I via N1HRA (d)
VQ5X via W4OX (d), (L)
VQ9HF via W3HF (B)
XL3A via VA3RVK (B).
XV4Y via OK1DOT (d)
XX9THX via EA7FTR
XX9TTT via IZ8CCW (B)
YS1YS via YS1GMV
ZP9MCE via EA5ZD

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived bureau: 3V8SS (LX1NO), 5P5T, 9A3JB, CT1IUA, CT3HF, DF0FTP,
DH8BQA/m, EA1DF, EA5PS, G0MTN, HA0HW, IZ2SVW, LZ1BJ,
GT4BRD (Isle of Man, via GW0ANA), OE1W, OH2LNH, OK1CLD,
OM8KD, ON4PRA/p, RA3RK, S59DCD/p, SV3FUP, V5/DJ2HD,
TX3A (Chesterfield, via HA7RY), VX3AP, YT0A

QSLs arrived LoTW: KG6DX, N8BJQ/KH9, 9M2CNC

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
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F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

2099. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 24 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 16:31:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0444713f95512204ccd09ccb@google.com>
Source record: 1616
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Hurricane Watch Net activates for Sandy

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 12:38 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365819-Hurricane-Watch-Net-activates-for-Sandy&goto=newpost

The Hurricane Watch Net is being activated for Hurricane Sandy. The net will activate on 14.325 MHz to report observed conditions to the National Hurricane Center. Net operations will begin at 0700 Eastern (1100 UTC) Wednesday, October 24, 2012. Operation on lower frequencies (40 or 80 meters) will be considered depending on propagation during evening and night hours. We will try to monitor Cuban stations, but would appreciate your helping us on 14.325.

Amateur stations in the affected area should be aware of the storm, and be prepared to operate from a place of safety. We will be looking for condition reports from stations in the affected area. We do appreciate the consideration of Amateur Operators in keeping our frequency clear, and listening for possible relays. For information on the storm and the Hurricane Watch Net, go to http://www.hwn.org

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UK to phase-out IRC's

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 01:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365774-UK-to-phase-out-IRC-s&goto=newpost

Phil, G3SWH, has received the following info from the Royal Mail: "Due to declining international mail volumes and electronic substitution, customer demand for International Reply Coupons has been falling dramatically over the last few years.

"Overall sales of International Reply Coupons have been very low indeed - on average just 4 per annum bought from each Post Office branch. Therefore, it was no longer commercially viable to maintain the sale of coupons and Royal Mail has taken the decision to withdraw them from sale.

"International Reply Coupons have not been withdrawn globally from sale. Under UPU regulations Royal Mail through Post Office Counters is obliged to redeem International Reply Coupons presented having been purchased overseas, but we are not obliged to sell

them. However, I can confirm that customers have up to December 2013 to redeem IRCs."

Phil states, "This seems to be much more in line with the Royal Mail's responsibilities under their UPU membership. Looks like they're safe until 31st December 2013. It may be that the UPU will change their rules after that date (which would be no bad thing IMHO)."

SARS News

2100. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 24 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 16:53:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61522a43e04a04ccd0ee95@google.com>
Source record: 1617
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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NOV 3rd 2012 Annual Fall - Land Ops Geotactical Radio Relay

Posted: 24 Oct 2012 01:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365876-NOV-3rd-2012-Annual-Fall-Land-Ops-Geotactical-Radio-Relay&goto=newpost

FREE EVENT - sign up and RSVP

1landops2012.jpg

Attached Images

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2101. eHam.net News for Wednesday 24 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-24 22:41:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399645fff36504ccd5ca10@google.com>
Source record: 1618
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Wattsburg Students Speak with Astronaut in Space:

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 05:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29195

WATTSBURG -- Astronaut Sunita Williams might have been more than 200 miles away from the surface of the Earth on Friday, but that didn't mean she couldn't answer questions from students at Seneca High School. A dozen Wattsburg Area School District students had the chance to talk directly to Williams for just over 10 minutes Friday through the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station -- or ARISS -- program. The event was organized locally by Paul Semrau, an English and biology teacher at Seneca. The 12 students chosen to ask questions were from Seneca, Wattsburg Area Middle School and Wattsburg Area Elementary Center. Those students were picked from a pool of almost 60 who applied to ask questions based on their questions and a project they completed. Those projects could be essays, collages or some other way of representing why their question was important.

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Scouts Take To Airwaves to Make Friends, Share Ideas and Learn New Skills:

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 05:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29194

More than 500,000 young people take part in the event worldwide, which was set up in 1957 to give international Scout groups the chance to get in contact with each other. In the past, local groups had talked to others in countries as far away as Australia, Russia and America, and this year, Scouts found friends in Sweden and Germany within an hour of being on air. Andy Carlile, manager of the Grimsby and Cleethorpes District Scouts Active Support radio scouting team, said: "The event gives Scouts a chance to connect with people from the other side of the world, make friends, share ideas and learn a skill, which is what scouting is all about." Scouts talked on the radio but also transmitted television images and Morse code, as well as learning secret codes and ciphers, how to make an emergency telephone call and sign language.

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A Radio for All Frequencies to Rule the Airwaves:

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 05:30 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29193

Zap-happy channel-surfers could soon control a lot more than cable TV from their remotes. Michael Ossmann, co-founder of Great Scott Gadgets, is developing HackRF, a software-defined radio (SDR) that lets you switch between radio frequencies on the fly. Most wireless gadgets, like the 3G antenna in a phone, operate using a fixed radio frequency band. But. HackRF could potentially receive and transmit any radio frequency from 100 megahertz to 6 gigahertz - a range that includes broadcast and amateur radio, GSM, Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, and remote garage-door openers. Ossmann presented the device at ToorCon in San Diego, California, last weekend.

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Major Solar Flare Erupts from the Sun:

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 05:29 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29192

The sun unleased a powerful solar flare late Monday (Oct. 22), releasing waves of radiation into space that have already caused a short radio blackout on Earth. The flare erupted from the sunspot AR 11598 (short for Active Region 11598), and reached peak brightness at 11:22 p.m. EDT (0322 GMT this morning, Oct. 23), according to scientists working on NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO), a space telescope that constantly monitors the sun with high-definition cameras. It ranked as an X1.8 solar flare, one of the strongest types of solar flares, according to the U.S. Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC) run by NOAA and the National Weather Service. The same sunspot produced three strong flares before this one in just the two days since it became visible from Earth's perspective. "This means more flares are probably in the offing, and they will become increasingly Earth-directed as the sunspot turns toward our planet in the days ahead," astronomer Tony Phillips wrote on Spaceweather.com, a website that tracks skywatching and space weather events. Solar flares are caused when magnetic activity ramps up in certain patches, called sunspots, on the surface of our star. Scientists measure the strength of solar flares in terms of energy classes, with X-class flares the most powerful sun storms. Moderate flares rank as class M storms and can supercharge Earth's northern lights displays when aimed at our planet. Class C solar flares are the weakest of the bunch and have little effect on Earth.

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Cobb Confident it Could Win Suit Over Radio Tower:

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 05:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29191

WEST COBB -- Rob Hosack, director of Cobb's community development agency, thinks the county would prevail if a west Cobb amateur radio operator sues to keep his 140-foot tower. "Given that this is a very, very specialized area of the law, we just decided to get a recognized expert to kind of chime in," Hosack said. "We've had three different hits now kind of get together and say 'here's our position,' so if this ends up where I think it's going to end up, I think we're going to be in a good position." Amateur radio operator Ritner Nesbitt, a grandfather of 10 who lives down the road from Dominion Christian Schools, was cited after neighbors

complained about his tower. He applied for a special land use permit, which the county's Planning Commission unanimously recommended denying on Oct. 2. Hosack said Nesbitt would be in the clear if his tower stopped at the county's 70-foot height limit -- "We would just wish him good luck and send him on his way" -- but to have one higher than that requires a special land use permit. Nesbitt, who has spent between $30,000 and $40,000 on the tower, said he'll take the county to court before taking the tower down. The county paid attorney Anthony LePore of CityScape Consultants, Inc. $500 to render an opinion on the matter. LePore concluded that federal regulations "would not preclude Cobb County from processing this application in accordance with its existing wireless communications regulations."

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Hurricane Watch Net Activated for Hurricane Sandy:

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 09:58 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29190

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2102. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 24 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 02:47:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a148765c40104ccd938d2@google.com>
Source record: 1619
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio club, scouts use ham radio - UT Daily Beacon

Posted: 24 Oct 2012 12:08 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFfEwjMuuV39yLetHcMugnLr0JDBQ&url=http://utdailybeacon.com/news/2012/oct/24/radio-club-scouts-use-ham-radio/

Radio club, scouts use ham radio
UT Daily Beacon
They also gain experience with amateur radio, known commonly as ham radio. A handful of students and an alumna were on hand to help the scouts learn the basics of two-way radio communication. "We presented a class to them about amateur radio, and ...

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HackRF is a radio for all frequencies - ElectronicsWeekly.com

Posted: 24 Oct 2012 04:31 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFr0TmvY-8gTzETZVSqDGYNbR0mkw&url=http://www.electronicsweekly.com/Articles/24/10/2012/54846/hackrf-is-a-radio-for-all-frequencies.htm

HackRF is a radio for all frequencies
ElectronicsWeekly.com
Most wireless gadgets, like the 3G antenna in a phone, operate using a fixed radio frequency band. But HackRF could potentially receive and transmit any radio frequency from 100 megahertz to 6 gigahertz - a range that includes broadcast and amateur ...

and more

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Radio Amateur Callbook CD-ROM (Winter 2013) - ARRL

Posted: 24 Oct 2012 12:52 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEU113DaRVnJ7I9YAZSsftorzL00w&url=http://www.arrl.org/shop/Radio-Amateur-Callbook-CD-ROM-Winter-2013/?page%3D1

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Radio Amateur Callbook CD-ROM (Winter 2013)
ARRL
The Radio Amateur Callbook on CD-ROM contains the callsign and address information of the Amateurs Radio stations all over the world. With more than 1,600,000 licensed radio amateurs, it lets you find the data you are

looking for in a fast and easy ...

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Ham radio introduction class is Oct. 27 - Telegraph Neighbors

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 01:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4Li2l-a8orw3acUYski1wp7TPwA&url=http://www.telegraphneighbors.com/localnews/979988-147/ham-radio-introduction-class-is-oct.-27.html

Ham radio introduction class is Oct. 27
Telegraph Neighbors
MANCHESTER – An introduction to ham radio and class will be offered from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at the Manchester Red Cross Blood Center, 425 Reservoir Ave. Ham radio, also known as amateur radio, allows people to communicate via radio.

2103. [RAC-Bulletin] Hurricane Sandy

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 03:23:53 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5088B059.2090804@rac.ca>
Source record: 1620
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Hurricane Sandy
2012-10-24

Arnie Coro, CO2KK, Area C, Emergency Coordinator IARU Region 2,
reports that Hurricane Sandy is on its way to the Cuban eastern
provinces. He reports this is a very serious menace to eastern Cuba
because of the large amount of rain it is transporting, that will fall
on areas already saturated by heavy rains from a tropical trough.

The Cuba emergency communication nets were activated at 1600 hours
October 24, 2012. We kindly ask you to leave these frequencies clear.

7110 kHz primary

7120 kHz secondary

7045 kHz for Eastern Cuba provinces

3740 kHz primary

3720 kHz secondary

Arnie Coro CO2KK (coro@enet.cu) and Carlos Alberto CO2JC will be
available for any traffic on the national Cuban emergency net frequencies
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2104. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 25 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 06:28:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51dde5d07ef4304ccdc4f41@google.com>
Source record: 1621
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Washington,Pa 15301 WACOM Hamfest November 4 Washington Fair Grounds

Posted: 23 Oct 2012 06:22 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?365856-Washington-Pa-15301-WACOM-Hamfest-November-4-Washington-Fair-Grounds&goto=newpost

WACOM 2012 HAMFEST

Washington Amateur Communications

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 2012

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

2151 North Main St.

WASHINGTON, PA 15301

8:00 A.M □3:00 P.M□Admission $5.00

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Vendors Contact Bud Plants N3TIR bud@n3tir.com 724-350-6745

Vendor Forms located at www.wacomarc.org

6Ft TABLES SUPPLIED, cost $12.00 ea. - Discount reserve more than (5) $10.00ea.

TABLE DEADLINE IS OCT 29th, 2012- Must prepay to hold tables

VE TESTING TIME 10:00am & Noon

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE

DOOR PRIZES--YL PRIZE---DX CARD CHECKER

THE MEADOWS CASINO NEAR BY

Send vendor payment to-

Please include vendor form and make checks payable to

WACOM c/o Norma Plants N3YJJ

236 Chambers Ridge Road West Alexander, Pa 15376

2105. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 43 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 07:26:09 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121025063111.5ECC59B80263@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1622
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 43 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-10-25
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Istvan YT3I, passed away last week.
We lost another good friend and operator!
Pistas tropo-ms-EME signal was every time outstanding.
RIP Pista

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx
432 IC821 +100W LNA NE 54143 ant YU7EF/YU7XL

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

2106. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 25 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 11:06:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0447888dc5e2ab04cce032ba@google.com>
Source record: 1623
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VeHySZuG2Io/october_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An absolute monster week with the number of reported contacts rising each
day. T30PY (Kiribati) was good from Wednesday to Sunday when he was topped
by 3B9SP (Rodriguez Is)

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Hurricane Sandy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UykPCDFG2V0/hurricane_sandy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Arnie Coro, CO2KK, Area C, Emergency Coordinator IARU Region 2, reports
that Hurricane Sandy is on its way to the Cuban eastern provinces

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Ofcom uses Fixed Penalty Fines

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HyszQvrRnOM/ofcom_uses_fixed_penalty_fines.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A taxi firm in Northern Ireland that failed to renew their licence has
received a Fixed Penalty Notice under powers granted to Ofcom, the UK
communications regulator

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Grimsby and Cleethorpes Scouts take to the airwaves

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3rOZF6tJkms/grimsby_and_cleethorpes_scouts_take_to_airwaves.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Grimsby Telegraph reports that Grimsby and Cleethorpes Scouts took to
the airwaves for last weekend's Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)

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Korean CubeSat developer to speak in London

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SECmL0fdYgc/korean_cubesat_developer_to_speak_in_london.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hojun Song, developer of the OSSI CubeSat, will be speaking at the WIRED 2012 event taking place in London on Friday, October 26

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AM Portuguese Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/J85Webpo67U/am_portuguese_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Are you one of those oldies fans or historical transmitter collector?
Do you miss the AM phone these days?
Looking for one of those rarer opportunities to test your home made AM radio transmitter project?
Then AM DAY is for you

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tE4NpVRwvXM/october_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

2107. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 25 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 16:43:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e838a00b36f04cce4cb31@google.com>
Source record: 1624
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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NP3X CQWW SSB 2012

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 08:32 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366013-NP3X-CQWW-SSB-2012&goto=newpost

NP3X QRV in CQWW SSB 2012 from Puerto Rico , Single OP Single Band 20m
Operator Jaime-WP3A

And including the Promotional Video For this CQWW SSB.

http://youtu.be/qhuorf4c__U

2108. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 28 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 19:14:46 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <96e95b60-4e32-47bf-857d-e65cf6310f78@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1625
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-10-28.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - October 28 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING OCTOBER 28 2012.

Towers and Planning Review

November is busy in VK3.

ITU Needs Girls

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THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING OCT 28 2012.

You would probably be aware of the campaign created to get amateur towers,
masts and antennas listed at exempt or complying development in the
NSW Planning Review currently under way.

Roger Harrison VK2ZHR has been contacted by the Sydney Morning Herald
Urban Affairs journalist, Nicole Hasham, and did a telephone interview.

The phone discussion (recorded by her) lasted about 50 minutes and was
quite positive. She wanted to know what amateurs did, what motivated people
to become amateurs and what the issues were with the Planning laws.

Hopefully the story will be out very soon if not already.

Roger will be here on VK1WIA in a few minutes with more on this issue and later in the broadcast today Jason VK2LAW sheds some light on a story dealing with towers in South Africa.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

November is a busy month of activity in VK3.

Saturday the 10th at 2pm, the inaugural meeting to form a local homebrew construction group will be held, with Rob Whitmore VK3MQ in the chair.

The following Tuesday, November the 13th, is the speaker night. The topic at 8pm is 'Demystify SWR' by Peter Cossins VK3BFG.

The next Foundation Licence training and assessment weekend in on November the 17th and 18th.

The home-brew meeting, speaker night and classes are all at the Amateur Radio Victoria office, 40G Victory Boulevard, Ashburton.

And November the 16th to the 18th is a special activation period for the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award - check out the website under Awards for the latest Master List.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Miena Hamfest

As heard last week, Saturday the first of December 2012 is when the big biennial VK7 HamFest happens in the Central Highlands of Tasmania thanks to the Central Highlands Amateur Radio Club of Tasmania.

They even have David Long from the ACMA making the trip up to Miena and demonstrating what the ACMA is all about.

If any club or individual would like a display table could they please contact Dave VK7OB on 0429123080.

(Dave, VK7OB)

North West Tasmanian Amateur TV Group (NWT-ATVG)
http://www.vk7ax.id.au/atvgroup/

Amateur Radio Assessments and training

Persons in the N/West Area of VK7 interested in Training and Assessments for all classes of Amateur Radio Licenses are advised that the Club can provide these requirements and much more.

(Tony 7ax)

Northern Tasmanian Amateur Radio Club
www.ntarc.net

November General Meeting

Block B, Skills Institute, Alanvale Campus on the evening of November 14. This one will be a little different though, as it will likely take the form of a working tea, during which there will be a brief club business session.

That will be followed by a guest speaker, David Murray from Centerlink, who will bring all up to speed on current changes to benefits and the like.

Are you and your partner already Centerlink clients but wondering what all the carbon tax compensation really meant? Maybe you are about to retire, become redundant or, heaven forbid, undergo some other life changing event? If so, or even if just idly curious, why not go along and have all your questions answered.

Even if the answers prove less favourable than you hope, you will at least go home well fed!

WIA BOARD TALK

The WIA gives Australian radio amateurs and electronics enthusiasts access to an extensive range of locally and internationally sourced publications including those from the ARRL and the RSGB.

Our bookshop is designed to provide you with a simple and secure way to purchase the latest amateur radio books and publications online. We use a secure commercial e-commerce gateway for all credit card transactions and delivery to your door is provided by Australia Post.

Purchasing the latest in amateur radio publications is both secure and easy.

We hold a wide range of the most popular publications suitable for those starting out in the hobby as well as books popular with the more experienced hobbyists.

If there is a particular publication that you are trying to locate that is not listed in our online catalogue, then we would be more than happy to help you. Please send an email with the details of the book you are looking for to bookshop@wia.org.au

Both WIA members and non-members are able to purchase from the WIA online bookshop, however the bookshop provides significant discounts to members of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

>From time to time we do run specials on some publications, so keep an eye on your Amateur Radio magazine each month for details.

This is Mal VK3FDSL for the WIA Bookshop

ANTENNA MASTS AND NSW PLANNING LAW REFORM

This is Roger Harrison VK2ZRH.

New South Wales amateurs will recall that, since October last year, the New South Wales Government has been conducting comprehensive reform to the planning laws.

As this is the first review of the State's planning laws for more than 30 years, a GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY was presented to get some consideration for Amateur Radio antenna masts.

You will remember that we called for NSW amateurs to make submissions to the planning review last year.

The NSW amateur fraternity responded magnificently with a barrage of submissions, wanting Amateur Radio antenna masts to be included in the laws as exempt or complying development.

In fact, so many amateurs made submissions that the NSW planning department commented about it on their website in November last year.

Draft legislation has recently been posted on the NSW Planning website and the department has invited all interested parties to comment.

Disappointingly, Amateur antenna masts have not been included in the draft.

I spoke to a policy officer in the department and asked - what do radio amateurs have to do to get some consideration on this issue?

The answer - make (more) submissions !

It's time to express your disappointment and send submissions again.

You have until close of business on Friday 9th November.

You can email your submissions to codes@planning.nsw.gov.au.

You can find the draft legislation on the NSW planning website, at: www.planning.nsw.gov.au

click on the "Development" tab and select "On exhibition", and then select "Draft Policies and Plans".

Information on putting together a submission is on the WIA website.

The advice we gave last year can be found by typing "antenna masts" into the search field on the WIA website.

While you're in a mood to make submissions, check out the NSW Government's HAVE YOUR SAY website at: www.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay
Select "Reduce local government red tape" and you can make a submission on Local Approvals Policies - BUT -

SUBMISSIONS ON THIS ONE CLOSE MONDAY 29TH OCTOBER.

The battle isn't over. Amateurs of NSW - get cracking !

What use is an f-call? (20120325)

With coax going between radios, amplifiers, tuners, SWR meters and antennas there is no shortage on connectors. You can buy pre-made connecting cables, but after a while you'll likely realise that you're spending a fortune on such luxuries and you'll likely come to the conclusion that the pre-made solution is never quite the right length, either too long or too short. So you take like a duck to water and you start making your own cables, patch leads, etc.

Leaving aside what kind of connector to select, where to buy it or which of the bewildering array of coax to acquire from a bevy of suppliers, you have a fundamental choice between crimping and soldering.

If you spend a little time online you'll find that there is solid evidence either way and adherents to either school. Just like Holden versus Ford or Mac versus PC, each "side" vehemently defends their turf.

Until recently I was exclusively a crimper. I crimped each connector that I could and I was happy. Well, mostly happy that is. I had this really annoying tool that for some reason would not crimp RG58 BNC connectors without leaving a little wing on the ferrule. Turns out that my dear supplier had snuck some RG59 connectors into the mix and they look really similar until you hold them side by side - and if you're wondering, the RG59 ferrule fits around the RG58 one, so no wonder it bulged like that.

Anyway, that started the conversation about crimping versus soldering.

Now, I'm not going to tell you what to choose. I suspect there are solid arguments that I'm avoiding here, but food for thought is this:

A crimp has no undo. That is, once you've mashed your lug, it's all over.

If you stuffed it up, you cut off your connector, throw it out and start again. Of course if you practice enough, stuffing it up hardly ever happens. Better crimping tools help you achieve your aim.

However, if you solder, then if you stuff it up, you have the opportunity to heat it all up again, remove the offending poor connection and try again. I've just acquired a gas soldering iron - I never even knew such a thing existed, I'd never have bought the 12V travel iron for my trip if I'd known, and now I have the option to solder in the field.

So, why does this matter? What should you choose?

You have no need to be exclusive one way or the other. Just like one antenna doesn't do all jobs, and one screwdriver is never enough, crimping and soldering are two options in your arsenal. They complement each other.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Now Jason VK2LAW joins us again with his take on the INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

Jason I hear that An amateur radio balloon project launched in May finally ended this month with the recovery of the payload.

Yes GraHam, an amateur radio balloon project launched in May finally ended this month with the recovery of the payload.

Argentinean amateurs, members of AMSAT-LU, launched a high altitude balloon May 19 from La Pampa, Argentina. The payload included a 70cm to 2m 4W FM repeater, live SSTV, an HF beacon and two video cameras. During the 4 hour flight, over 200 stations made contacts through the repeater.

The balloon came down in an isolated and flooded area. It was finally recovered from the mud by a 4x4 adventure group on 6th October. The flight data was retrieved, including over 6 hours of video from the two cameras.

Details can be found at www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11094.

QATAR TO HOST FIRST MIDDLE EAST HAM RADIO FESTIVAL

The city of Doha will host the Qatar's first International Festival for Amateur Radio in December. This according to the Chairman of the Administrative Control and Transparency Authority and the vice-chairman of the US Amateur Radio Society.

The festival will include a contest between amateur radio operators from all over the world. About 100 hams from across the globe will be invited to the festival to take part in the competition.

The festival is being dubbed as the first of its kind in the Middle East and will take place in conjunction with the Qatar National Day celebrations.

ITU launches Tech Needs Girls Prize to spark creativity

Seeking the unique voices and talents of girls to invent our future

To mark the first ever International Day of the Girl Child, ITU members and partners are joining forces to launch the Tech Needs Girls Prize, a new global technology competition designed to inspire more girls to embrace technology and invent the future.

Our future is being shaped by technology and, with over 95% of all jobs now having a digital component, the information and communication technology sector is an exciting place to be. Yet, as a global shortage of ICT professionals looms and the uptake of girls and women into ICT-related study declines, research reveals that technology has an image problem.

Put simply, too many talented young girls mistakenly consider an ICT career to be boring, geeky, uncreative or a career path that lacks the world-changing component many aspire to.

Working in partnership with lead players in the ICT, education and media industries, ITU&#65533;s new annual Tech Needs Girls Prize aims to dramatically

shift perceptions. The prize targets girls between the ages of 9 to 18 at the very time when they start forming opinions about their place in the world and their choice of career path.

In 2010, ITU membership established Girls in ICT Day, celebrated on the fourth Thursday in April every year and designed to raise visibility on the many exciting opportunities offered by an ICT career. For Girls in ICT Day 2012, over 1,320 events were held in nearly 90 countries, providing an estimated 30,000 young women with a better understanding of the opportunities offered by the ICT sector.

http://www.itu.int/net/pressoffice/press_releases/2012/69.aspx

SARL President, Rassie Erasmus, ZS1Y,T and the SARL Legal advisor Johan Marais, ZS1JM, met with a delegation of the Cape Town Metro to intervene in a notice received by a SARL member stating that he requires approval in terms of the Environmental Act & City of Cape Town Zoning regulations for his antenna which is less than 15 metres in height.

It transpired that they had received a complaint from a neighbour, which is most probably RF related, but elected to notify the home owner that his antenna has not been approved and that they intend taking steps to either have him remove the tower or that he has to apply for the necessary approval.

The SARL delegation pointed out that antennas under 15 metres of radio amateurs are exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998.

It was agreed that the process will be suspended pending the Council consulting with their legal advisors.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

SUPREME ASKED TO RULE THAT PUBLIC HAS NO RIGHT TO RESELL OWNED GOODS

How would you feel if there was a law that kept you from selling or even giving away a piece of ham gear or anything else you think you own without first getting permission from the original manufacturer?

Sound crazy?

Well this is a legal precedent that the United States Supreme Court has been asked to rule on as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowitz, NT3V:

Imagine, if you possibly can, the Dayton Hamvention, the Orlando Hamcation or the Huntsville Hamfest with no flea market.

Or, what about ham gear disappearing altogether from eBay or Craigslist.

Some fear this could be a real possibility, depending on how the U.S. Supreme Court rules in a case that could impact a nearly 104-year-old doctrine recognized by the high court that allows us to resell items without fear of a

copyright holder coming after us.

The doctrine essentially says the copyright holder had control only over the first sale.

But a case decided last year in the U.S. Court of Appeals in the Second Circuit in New York has the potential to re-set that doctrine.

The case involves a man from Thailand who came to the United States in 1997 to enrol in Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

The student found that the same textbooks they were asking him to buy in the book store could be had for much less in Thailand.

The man asked his relatives there to help him buy the books and send them back overseas to him in New York.

Later, the man got some entrepreneurial spirit and court documents in the case show he decided to start selling textbooks on eBay. There's some dispute as to how much the man made on the sales.

So, the publisher of the books objects and brings a suit against him.

The publisher admits it was charging less for books sold overseas, but it claims the man was guilty of copyright infringement. But the man counters his sales are covered by that first-sale practice.

The federal appeals court in New York upheld a lower court decision saying, no, that doctrine only applies to stuff produced in the United States and not to anything made overseas.

That court's ruling, in the view of some constitutional scholars, could now throw into jeopardy the whole idea of what you buy at flea markets, or yard sales and on-line sales of used goods.

Polk Wagner, a law professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School here in Philadelphia, isn't ready to push the panic just yet with that conclusion.

Wagner says in this case, it's about copyrights...

"So the question here that the Supreme Court has got to wrestle with is to try and figure out how these two provisions of the copyright act - one that says that you can't import anything that's copyrighted without the permission of the copyright owner and also one that says lawful owners of books are allowed to do what they want with the copies of the books that they purchase," Wagner says.

He says there's a bit of conflict here...

"So, the legal question is how those two provisions of the Copyright Act work together or don't as the case may be," Wagner says. "Courts have wrestled with this for the last 5 or 10 years and have not reached any satisfactory conclusions. So, hence, the Supreme Court is going to take it up."

eBay has filed a brief on the issue warning that the Second Circuit's ruling would have significant consequences for trade and ecommerce. And, in a broader reach, the company says it could hurt small businesses and consumers and cost jobs in the U.S.

Wagner, the University of Pennsylvania law professor, says there's another area and it may involve patents.

For example, he says in cases involving ham gear, it's legal to buy overseas and import the gear. And, there's nothing under the patent laws that prevents you from reselling the gear.

However, Wagner says there's another matter and it has to do with software that may be included or needed to operate the gear.

And, while most companies or software developers will sell you a license to use their software, it's not the same thing as selling you a book. And, while Wagner says that's not at issue here it eventually it could be sorted out by the courts in the future.

Stay tuned.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

The Supreme Court is scheduled to hear oral arguments on the case tomorrow October 29th.

If it does rule with the appellate court, it's likely that the matter would be brought to Congress to force a change in law. However that could take months if not years or even decades. Until then, consumers, including ham radio operators would be stuck between a rock and a hard place when trying to resell their belongings without breaking the law.

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G4TUT SOUTHGATE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NEWS DESK

Pico 434 MHz balloon lands in Sweden

PicoAtlas VII, a single foil balloon launched by James Coxon M6JCX on Saturday, October 20, 2012 from Suffolk travelled to Sweden.

It carried GPS and a miniature radio transmitter sending RTTY (ascii-8) on 434.301 MHz USB running 10 mW output.

During the 19 hour flight it crossed the North Sea before landing in central Sweden.

This side of the world an increasing number of radio amateurs are experimenting with ultra-light balloon payloads, typically weighing less than 100 grams.

Balloons such as these do not go to high altitudes instead they float between 3,500 and 6,000 metres for an extended period.

In an attempt to understand the concepts of foil balloons and super-pressure a collection of statistics from pico balloon flights have been compiled at

the web address shown in the text edition of this, the WIA
National News Service , I'm G4TUT Richard and this is VK1WIA.

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

Hi This is Ed VK2ARE Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island.

All going to plan! - Campbell Island DXpedition activation is just a month away and all is on schedule. All the equipment has arrived at the storage facility in Invercargill New Zealand. Some of the team are already in New Zealand, others will arrive over the next few weeks. There will be a quarantine inspection of all of the gear and then it will be loaded onto the boat that will take the equipment and team down to Campbell Island.

It's not too late to vote for which bands and modes you will like to work ZL9HR on - go to www.zl9hr.com to vote and to find out all the details of this major DXpedition.

The Campbell Island team is looking forward to working you,

Best 73, good DX.

Morocco CN 2 YZ through years end. His activity will be from the city of Tangier especially on the weekends.

GB 80 PW Practical Wireless 80th year
In the UK Ofcom have issued the special callsign GB 80 PW to Practical Wireless magazine to celebrate the publication's 80th year in print.

Temotu Province H 40 FN between this December 22nd and January 7th of 2013. QSL H 40 FN via HA 8 DD.

AWARDS

CQ INTRODUCES 40 CQ ZONES ON 160 PLAQUE

CQ has announced the availability of a special plaque for those who have achieved contact to all 40 CQ zones on 160 meters. This is considered the most difficult of all amateur radio awards to earn and because of this the Worked All Zones 160 Meter Plaque recognizes that receiving it as one of the elite Top Band DXers. If you believe you qualify, please contact W-A-Z Award Manager Floyd Gerald, N5FG, by e-mail to n5fg@cq-amateur-radio.com

(CQ via Facebook and ARNewsLine)

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

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Amateur exclusive frequencies where any non-amateur signal is definitely an intruder.

Amateur HF Spectrum world wide
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14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

Jamming interrupts Western broadcasters

Programming from the Deutsche Welle and other foreign broadcasters has been jammed in parts of the Middle East. DW Director General Erik Betterman called the interruption an attack on freedom of the press.

Western radio and television broadcasts to parts of the Middle East have apparently been cut off because of a targeted jamming attack.

In addition to programming by Deutsche Welle, the BBC and Voice of America have also been affected.

European satellite operator Eutelsat said earlier this week that the "deliberate and intermittent interference" originated in Syria.

Deutsche Welle programming was last interrupted on Thursday morning (18.10.2012). DW Director General Erik Bettermann protested against the renewed attack on freedom of expression. In cooperation with other foreign broadcasters, the Deutsche Welle was preparing a resolution against the jamming, Bettermann said.

Experts suspected that Iran was behind the current interruptions. According to media reports, the country has jammed reception of a variety of broadcasters in recent years.

The most recent episode, experts said, could be connected to a Eutelsat decision to stop carrying 19 Iranian channels. The satellite operator stopped broadcasting television and radio stations operated by Iran's state media organization, Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting (IRIB). Effective immediately, the programming offered by these channels, including the international news channel "Press TV," is no longer available outside of Iran.

Read the full story
http://www.dw.de/jamming-interrupts-western-broadcasters/a-16317555

(Source Deutsche Welle via SouthGate ARC)

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

ALL DIGITAL AM HD TESTING ON ITS WAY

Information is surfacing regarding NAB Radio Technology Committee plans to test all-digital AM H-D Radio technology on an existing full carrier AM radio station.

The committee has been meeting since last November to discuss technical options for the revitalization of AM. Testing would quantify both indoor and outdoor coverage. In general, the goal is to verify whether the station coverage and robustness are improved with an all-digital signal in both day and night transmission. Also to quantify any change. There's little technical data in the public arena for all-digital AM operation.

Glynn Walden is CBS Radio Senior Vice President of Engineering. He said during the fall NAB Radio Show that a test station has been chosen with testing likely to begin right after the presidential elections. Walden and other committee members declined to identify the facility but some believe it will be a CBS station in an area that could be characterized as a medium sized market.

You can read more about this AM broadcast digital experiment on-line at tinyurl.com/all-digital-am

(CGC, RW via ARNewsLine)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

ISRAELI GPS CUBESAT BEING BUILT

Israel is planning to launch a student built ham radio microsat. The Space Duchifat-1 is an experimental and educational CubeSat being developed and built by students at the Space Laboratory of the Herzliya Science Centre.

The CubeSat will carry an APRS digipeater operating on 145.825 MHz and a UHF/VHF 1200 bps B-P-S-K transceiver that can provide a CW beacon and an FM to DSB transponder.

The main mission of the satellite is to transmit real-time information via packet radio from a Low Earth Orbit using the Automatic Position Reporting System protocol. The satellite will allow remote traveller's to access the bird for worldwide position, status reporting and messaging. This using simple handheld or mobile radios with omni-directional whip antennas.

The project is directed by Dr. Ana Heller with
support from the Herzliya city municipality and
the Israeli Amateur Radio Club. At this moment
no launch date or orbit details are available.

(ANS VIA ARNLINE)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Saturday October 27th 2012
Message Handler Training
Alexandra
Contact: Peter Weeks VK3YZP phone:
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Email: weeksradio@virtual.net.au

Sunday November 11th 2012
Coordinators and Commanders Meeting and AGM
9th Box Hill Scout Hall,Rotary Crt, Box Hill South
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Email: vk3baf@gmail.com

Rally Victoria is again being held in the forest area north of Warragul
Friday 16th and Saturday 17th November.

Rally Victoria is an Australian Rally Championship and Victorian Rally
Championship event.

On Friday, there will be 2 bush stages and on the Saturday, 5 stages.
Each stage will be run twice.

As previously, Rally HQ will be at Lardner Park. Event commander is
Chris VK3CJK. Communications will be required for logistics, safety, and
scoring, with scoring and car tracking via 2m packet and other functions
via 2m voice.

If you can assist with the event, could you please phone 51 955 247
in the evenings.

(John VK3ZRX)

Wednesday December 26th 2012
YMCA Murray Marathon
Yarrawonga to Swan Hill

It is now time to register your interest as radio operators for the five day
Murray Marathon itself.
The WICEN Murray Marathon Training Exercise is conducted in conjunction with
the YMCA who are the event organizers.

The Marathon is a canoe race on the Murray River that starts at Yarrawonga on 27th December and finishes in Swan Hill on 31st December.

Each year hundreds of canoes paddle their way down the river. They are supported by their own support teams, and along with all the officials, volunteers and spectators there are a few thousand people moving down the river with the event.

WICEN has a team of 25 members and other amateurs who provide communication and logistical support for the event by establishing six check point stations each day operating on HF and VHF. Another six to eight mobile stations in boats and vehicles move with the canoes to supervise their safety.

YMCA provides free campsites and good food at very cheap prices and this makes the event easy as far as camping and catering are concerned.

If you are interested in joining the team for the 2012 event please drop an Email to: Gerard Werner VK3GER at gerwer01@gmail.com or
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Graham Mason VK3KMG at mason.group@bigpond.com or
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Or if you have not been involved before give Gerard or Graham a call and have a chat about the requirements and the fun to be had.

(Graham Mason VK3KMG)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

NOV 4 VK5 Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society HAMFEST @ Goodwood

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

DEC 1 VK7 Miena Hamfest

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

FEEDBACK
VK4FABB : brandonbugsbunny@yahoo.com.au

I Have really enjoyed the two temp news readers that have been reading the news for the past few weeks and i think they should be on the national news more often, so good work guys you deserve a pat on the back and even a nice coldy. Also i have really enjoyed the little bit of humour that they have been putting into the news as they read it, it makes it that bit less dull and something to have a bit of a laugh at on a Sunday morning

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
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item write in the 3rd person.

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even get a "cheerio call".

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2109. The ARRL Letter for October 25, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 21:02:47 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121025193215.880AC24B4F@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1626
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There will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>
on Thursday, October 25. The Audio News will return on Thursday,
November 1.

==> FCC NEWS: FCC SEEKS COMMENTS ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO AMATEUR
LICENSING RULES, EMISSION TYPES

Earlier this month, the FCC released
<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-change-amateur-radio-licensing-rules-a
llow-additional-emission-types>
a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM
<http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2012/db1002/FCC-12-1
21A1.pdf>)
-- WT Docket No. 12-283 -- proposing to amend the Part 97 rules
governing the Amateur Radio Service. On October 24, a summary of the
NPRM was published in the Federal Register
<https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/10/24/2012-26201/amateur-servi
ce-rules>
and the FCC is seeking comments on it.
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Specifically, the Commission is proposing to modify the Amateur Radio Service rules to grant examination credit for expired and beyond-the-grace-period-for-renewal Amateur Radio operator licenses; to shorten the grace period during which an expired amateur license may be renewed; to revise the time a call sign is not available to the vanity call sign system correspondingly, and to reduce the number of volunteer examiners needed to administer an amateur license examination. The NPRM also asks for comment on amending the rules to permit remote test administration, and proposes to amend the Amateur Radio Service rules to allow amateur stations to transmit certain additional emission types.

Comments must be filed on or before December 24, 2012 (60 days after publication in the Federal Register); reply comments must be filed on or before January 22, 2013 (90 days after publication in the Federal Register). Instructions on how to file comments are listed beginning on page 12 of the NPRM.

==> PUBLIC SERVICE: HURRICANE SANDY NOW A CATEGORY 2 STORM

As Hurricane Sandy -- now a Category 2 storm -- heads toward the Bahamas, both the Hurricane Watch Net and the VoIP Hurricane Net are supporting WX4NHC, the Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center. As of 8 AM (EDT) on Thursday, October 25, Sandy was moving toward the north between the northeast coast of Cuba and the Central Bahamas (about 130 miles south of the Bahamas and 75 miles northeast of Cuba) with maximum sustained winds of 105 miles per hour. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hurricane-sandy-now-a-category-2-storm>.

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The ARRL On-Line Auction also features a wide assortment of books, including ARRL Handbooks from the 1920s and 1930s -- most notably, a first edition of the 1926 Radio Amateur's Handbook -- and a set of three first-day-of-issue covers of the 1964 5-cent stamp highlighting Amateur Radio (see an image of a stamp here <http://www.qsl.net/wj8c/>).

"Once again this year, bidders will find a large variety of product review equipment, vintage books, novelty items and a number of very special items that have been donated by the crew of the ABC Television's Last Man Standing, starring Tim Allen as Mike Baxter, KA0XTT," Tardette explained. "In order to place a bid, you must register on the ARRL On-Line Auction website. You may browse the website and scope out those 'must-have' items without being a

registered bidder, and you can register at any time during the auction. If you are interested in some great bargains -- and some great fun -- you really need to check out the ARRL On-Line Auction." The 2012 ARRL On-Line Auction runs through 11:45 PM EDT on October 31 (0345 UTC November 1). Contact Tardette via e-mail <ltardette@arrl.org> with any questions concerning the ARRL On-Line Auction.

==> ON THE AIR: FUN AND EXCITEMENT FILL THE AIRWAVES FOR THE 2012 ARRL NOVEMBER CW SWEEPSTAKES

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This year, with four new Canadian Sections, the November Sweepstakes will be a bit different: In August, the RAC split its Ontario Section into four new Sections: Ontario East (ONE), Ontario North (ONN), Ontario South (ONS) and the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). Contesters now need to work 83 sections to earn the coveted Clean Sweep. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fun-and-excitement-fill-the-airwaves-for-the-2012-arrl-november-cw-sweepstakes>.

==> ARRL HQ: W1AW RECEIVES SEMI-ANNUAL ANTENNA INSPECTION, NEW ANTENNA FOR 160 METERS

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==> NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE GEORGE HART DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

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Selection criteria for the George Hart Distinguished Service Award include:

- Operating record with the National Traffic System, or
- Participation within the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), or
- Station appointments and/or leadership positions held within the Field Organization.

Nominations for the George Hart Distinguished Service Award shall be accepted from anyone and shall be submitted to the Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager at ARRL Headquarters by November 1. Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the nominee's lifetime activities and achievements within the ARRL Field Organization. It is expected that nominated candidates will have 15 or more years of distinguished service. The Programs and Services Committee will serve as the Review Committee, with the Board of Directors making the final determination at its Annual Meeting in January. Recipients will be given an engraved plaque and cover letter, and will be profiled in QST <http://www.arrl.org/qst>.

Nominations for the 2013 George Hart Distinguished Service Award, including any related supporting material and letters of recommendation, may be e-mailed to ARRL Headquarters to the attention of ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N <nn1n@arrl.org>, or to ARRL Field and Public Service Team Supervisor Steve Ewald, WV1X <wv1x@arrl.org>. Nominations and supporting materials must be received no later than November 1, 2012 to be considered.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers for October 18-24 were down 1.7 points from the previous seven days, to 95.3, while the average daily solar flux rose 14.7 points to 143.9. Geomagnetic activity was quieter, with all daily planetary A index measures in the single digits. As of October 24, NOAA and the US Air Force are predicting the solar flux to be at 135 on October 25-26, 130 on October 27-29, 125 on October 30-November 1, 100 on November 2-3, then 105 and 110 on October 4-5, 115 on October 6-7, 120 on November 8-11, 125 on November 12-13, then peaking at 145 on November 18 and dropping back to 100 on November 29-30. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on October 25-November 7, then 10, 20 and 15 on November 8-10, 5 on November 11-17, 10 on November 18-19, and back down to 5 on November 20-December 4. On October 23, sunspot 1598 emitted an X-1 class solar flare. This region is still rotating into the most geoeffective position toward the center of the solar disc, relative to Earth. There is a chance of more solar flares in the next couple of days. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, October 26. For more information

concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information
Service Propagation page
<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- October 26 -- NCCC Sprint
- October 27-28 -- CQ WW DX Contest (SSB)

Next week:

- November 2 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 3 -- IPARC Contest (CW)
- November 3-4 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>;
Ukrainian DX Contest
- November 3-5 -- ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)
<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>
- November 4 -- IPARC Contest (SSB); High Speed Club CW Contest; DARC
10 Meter Digital Contest
- November 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

Upcoming ARRL Section, State and Division Conventions and Events

- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest
-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfes
t-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery,
Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfest>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcation-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfest-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

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2110. eHam.net News for Thursday 25 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-25 22:29:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011dc0b28472304cce9bb82@google.com>
Source record: 1627
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:51 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29208

This Week in Radiosport:

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FCC Seeks Comments On Proposed Changes to Licensing Rules, Emission Types:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:50 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29207

Earlier this month, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)
-- WT Docket No. 12-283 -- proposing to amend the Part 97 rules
governing the Amateur Radio Service.

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Hurricane Sandy Now a Category 2 Storm:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:50 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29206

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Bahamas, both the Hurricane Watch Net and the VoIP Hurricane Net are
supporting WX4NHC, the Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane
Center.

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Get Ready for the 7th Annual ARRL On-Line Auction:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:49 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29205

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Lisa Tardette, KB1MOI, there is a large assortment of ARRL Product
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Fun and Excitement Fill the Airwaves for the ARRL November CW Sweepstakes:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:49 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29204

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W1AW Receives Semi-Annual Antenna Inspection, New Antenna for 160-Meters:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:48 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29203

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Nominations Now Open for the George Hart Distinguished Service Award:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:47 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29202

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WS4FSM Hosts Largest ISS Contact:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 07:46 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29201

Next Tuesday, Oct 30th, at 11:58AM EDT (15:58UTC) most of Palm Beach County's 187,000 students will be watching live as 10 students and 2 teachers make contact with the International Space Station. The contact will be from the Motorola theater at the South Florida Science Museum (www.sfsm.org) where WS4FSM (www.wpbarc.com/WS4FSM) is part of a permanent Ham Radio Center exhibit built and maintained by the West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group (www.wpbarc.com). Both a tower mounted tracking antenna and a mast mounted Eggbeater have been loaned to the club by area Hams for making this contact. Since the best pass ARISS/NASA could provide is only a 32 degree elevation it will be technically challenging.

2111. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-062E - Allan Boyd, VE3AJB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 00:12:01 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <5089D4DA.70309@rac.ca>
Source record: 1628
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-062E - Allan Boyd, VE3AJB
2012-10-25

It is with great pleasure that I forward this news item concerning our Ontario North Section Manager Al Boyd VE3AJB. Al has been a huge supporter of the RAC as Ontario Section Manager for the past number of years, and it is great to see him professionally recognized for his contribution to the citizens of Ontario. Congratulations Al!

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Oct 23, 2012- 12:23 PM
By: Sudbury Northern Life Staff

Manitoulin Island Ontario Provincial Police"s longest-serving full-time member has been recognized with an OPP Accolade award for his dedication to the service, according to a news release.

Provincial Const. Al Boyd joined the OPP in 1981. He was assigned to the Manitoulin detachment where he has served ever since, "dedicating himself to his family, his policing career and his community," said the OPP in the news release

The Accolade award recognizes an individual whose actions and behaviours demonstrate and/or exceed commitment to the OPP and their communities; excellent and consistent performance; exceptional customer service over a sustained period; strong support for colleagues; team spirit; a commitment to professional or personal learning; sharing ideas to increase program efficiency and effectiveness; humanitarian actions that personify OPP values; exemplary efforts in assisting the public in unfortunate circumstances; and selfless personal investment off the job requiring time and effort in support of someone else that goes beyond the pursuit of personal success and recognition.

Boyd holds the position of community service officer for Manitoulin detachment, North East Region. His strong work performance and exceptional skill set, including a background in community services, media relations, crisis negotiation and amateur radio, makes him a valuable asset to the OPP and the communities he serves, said Staff Sgt. Kevin Webb, Manitoulin detachment commander.

"It was my pleasure to nominate Al for an Accolade Award" said Webb in a news release. "Since joining the OPP, he has developed his role through outstanding and significant support to his colleagues at all rank levels, both uniformed and civilian."

"Al brings an enthusiastic professionalism to the projects he is involved with and his ideas and opinions respected. On a day-to-day basis, he consistently contributes to the goals and objectives of the OPP in service to the people of Ontario"

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 01:41:12 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <3d5de51b-0d5c-4871-bf61-ec52f3e0ee2a@ph9g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
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http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

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http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
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2113. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 25 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 02:39:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403cdc7e21104cced3bc4@google.com>
Source record: 1630
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio operators help others weather the storm - WREX-TV

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 04:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGEDQjkGWF1NUOrs6IyKbZn-FAoXQ&url=http://www.wrex.com/story/19919265/amateur-radio-operators-help-others-weather-the-storm

Amateur radio operators help others weather the storm
WREX-TV
Its a method of communication and depending on propagation, you could speak to anyone in the world." Hes part of the Big Thunder Amateur Radio Club, a group of guys who make it a hobby to offer two-way communication to people at other amateur radio ...

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HAM is where the heart is - The Hindu

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 04:23 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEa-6AC2C_ecMuCL36ATCfvvI0arg&url=http://www.thehindu.com/arts/radio-and-tv/ham-is-where-the-heart-is/article4030826.ece

The Hindu
HAM is where the heart is
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At a poky little room that serves as his personal ham radio station, he displays admirable mastery of Ham Radio Deluxe (HRD), a Windows software that allows a slew of radio operations to be performed on the computer. Let the tech-savvy 30-somethings ...

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Whitby Amateur Radio Club does double duty as road crew - durhamregion.com

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 01:42 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGzuajZ_BybnPHiZTQPRICWaLc78w&url=http://www.durhamregion.com/community/article/1524378--whitby-amateur-radio-club-does-double-duty-as-road-crew

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durhamregion.com
Whitby Amateur Radio Club does double duty as road crew. WHITBY -- Whitby Amateur Radio Club members Don King and Gary Helferty perform clean-up duties along Victoria Street in Whitby. The group has adopted a stretch of the road through the ...

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Halton And District Radio Amateurs to stage raslly at Heath Business Park ... - Runcorn and Widnes Weekly News

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 02:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFe4eKMVQEOyDEG5INyux_AkOD84w&url=http://www.runcornandwidnesweeklynews.co.uk/runcorn-widnes-news/runcorn-widnes-local-news/2012/10/25/halton-and-district-radio-amateurs-to-stage-raslly-at-heath-business-park-runcorn-55368-32094885/

ARRL
Halton And District Radio Amateurs to stage raslly at Heath Business Park ...
Runcorn and Widnes Weekly News
George Low, on behalf of Halton And District Radio Amateurs, said: “As of this month there are over 79,000 people across the country with amateur radio licenses but we are still rather unknown. “Its all about the skill and fascination of communication ...
Radio Amateur Callbook CD-ROM (Winter 2013)ARRL

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FCC Seeks Comments On Proposed Changes to Licensing Rules, Emission ... - eHam.net

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 02:57 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGlxSZg4KC2xmb8174eiSuKQ25S9A&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29207

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2114. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1837 - October 26 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 09:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121026090002.D0E0533C1C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1631
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1837 - October 26 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1837 with a release date of October 26 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. New Zealand hams will have to wait a while longer to gain full access to 6 meters; Germany's national ham radio society says no to a new pan-European B-P-L standard; thethe Hurricane Watch Net activates for hurricane Sandy; G-R-E quits the scanner business and a well known British soprano will be the next space tourist to visit the International Space Station. Find out who on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1837 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: CLOSURE OF TV CHANNEL 1 AND ZL ACCESS TO 6 METERS UPDATE

Changes will be coming to the 6 meter band down-under, but not as quickly as some hams in New Zealand had hoped for. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports:

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Amateurs across New Zealand may have to wait a bit longer to get full access to the 6 meter band. As previously reported, 50 to 51 MHz down-under is to be returned to amateur radio once all Channel 1 television has ceased using the spectrum and the current management right for this band expires.

What may not be known by some hams is that the last New Zealand channel 1 television transmitter is not due to close down until November 2013. After that, the management right under which it operates does not expire until August 2015.

Because of this, the New Zealand national amateur radio society, NZART, is working with the nations Radio Spectrum Management on arrangements for the period between when all the Channel 1 transmitters are turned off and their management right expires. In the meantime any New Zealand amateur in an area where TV channel 1 is no longer operating can apply for a permit to operate on the band.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, down-under in Nelson, New Zealand

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As we go to air, not exact date when all New Zealand hams will have 6 meter access is known. (NZART)

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RADIO LAW: DARC TO OPPOSE NEWLY PROPOSED EUROPEAN PLT STANDARD

Germany's national amateur radio society, the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club, or DARC will be asking the Deutsche Commission for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies to oppose a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard. PLT is what Europe call Broadband over Powerline or BPL.

During its October 22nd meeting, the DARC Board discussed the pros and cons of the proposed draft standard. While it said that it recognizes the new draft provided for some non-binding commitments for notching out of certain frequencies in the amateur bands, it also noted that it fears the future ambitions of the manufacturers of other PLC products in the direction of higher limits for the emission of harmful electromagnetic or EMC interference. This could lead to a weakening of the previous limits in other European EMC standards.

To be clear, this new standard concerns the devices that people install in their homes to run data over their house wiring. It has nothing to do with PLC or BPL that is carried over the over company power networks. (Southgate, DJ0QN)

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RADIO LAW: SARL TAKES UP ZONING REGULATIONS WITH THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN

Its not just hams in the United States that are having problems erecting towers and keeping them up. And a case in South Africa points graphically this out. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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Recently South African Radio League President, Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT and Legal advisor. Johan Marais, ZS1JM, met with a delegation of the Cape Town Metro Council. This, to intervene in a notice received by a society member stating that he requires approval in terms of the Environmental Act & City of Cape Town Zoning regulations for his antenna which is less than 15 meters in height.

It was quickly learned that the council had received a complaint from a neighbor, which was most probably RF related. Rather than investigate the matter the Council simply elected to notify the ham that his antenna has not been approved and that it intend taking steps to either have him remove the tower or to apply for the necessary permits.

But the South African Radio League delegation was right on top of this one. It pointed out that amateur radio antennas fewer than 15 meters

of are exempt under the provisions of the National Environmental Management Act of 1998.

Based on this it was agreed that the process will be suspended pending the Council consulting with its legal advisors. The South African Radio League will then be afforded further opportunities to discuss the issues once feedback has been received from the Council's legal department.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline. I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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The South African Radio League will be keeping the qorld of amateur radio up0dated on this one. (SARL)

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RESCUE RADIO: HURRICANE WATCH NET ACTIVATED FOR HURRICANE SANDY

The United States-based Hurricane Watch Net has been activated for Hurricane Sandy. Net operations began at 11:00 UTC on Wednesday, October 24th on 14.325 MHz to observe and report conditions surrounding the storm to the National Hurricane Center.

Sandy is expected to develop into what forecasters are calling a volatile hurricane as tropical storm Sandy merges with a powerful cold front charging towards the East Coast late the weekend of October 27th and 28th. As Sandy progresses the Hurricane Watch Net will be looking for condition reports from stations located in the affected areas. Hams in the places affected by this storm should be prepared to operate from a place of safety.

Net organizers say that they appreciate the consideration of all amateur operators in keeping the frequency of 14.325 MHz clear, and listening for possible relays. Operation on lower frequencies such as 40 or 80 meters will be considered depending on propagation during evening and night hours.

For information on the storm and the Hurricane Watch Net, go to www.hwn.org on the World Wide Web. (HWN)

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RESCUE RADIO: UK ESSEX COUNTY RAYNET CALLED OUT IN FLOOD WATCH

Ham radio is called out in the UK as rising waters along riverbanks put several towns on emergency alert.

The Radio Society of Great Britain reports that at 18:00 UTC on Sunday, October 14th, the Emergency Planning Officer from the Maldon District Council requested Essex RAYNET to be placed on standby. This in response to flood alerts issued by the Environment Agency.

At 20.00 members were mobilized and deployed to the riverbanks at Heybridge Basin, Fulbridge and the Hythe in Maldon. This was in preparation for the high tide and possible tidal surge due at quarter to one in the morning.

Thankfully, the high tide hit without any significant incident. RAYNET volunteers were able to stand down shortly afterward. More information is on the Web at www.essexraynet.co.uk. (GB2RS)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: PICO HAM BALLOON MAKES TREK FROM UK TO SWEDEN

PicoAtlas VII, a single foil balloon launched by James Coxon, M6JCX, on Saturday, October 20th from Suffolk in the UK has landed some 1050 kilometers or 650 miles to the East in Sweden.

PicoAtlas VII carried a GPS receiver and a miniature transmitter running only 10 milliwatts output sending RTTY on 434.301 MHz USB. The telemetry data from the balloon transmitter could be decoded using the free software at dl-fldigi. This program can decode many different amateur radio digital modes and can be downloaded for Windows, Mac and Ubuntu Linux at tinyurl.com/8zlo437.

An increasing number of radio amateurs are experimenting with ultra light balloon payloads, typically weighing less than 100 grams. Balloons such as these do not go to high altitudes. Instead they float between 3,500 and 6,000 meters which roughly equates to 9000 to 20,000 feet for an extended period of time. During the 19 hour flight this balloon successfully crossed the North Sea before landing in central Sweden. We will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks report. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: MAY LAUNCH AND OCTOBER RECOVERY OF HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON PAYLOAD

An amateur radio balloon project launched last May finally ended this month with the recovery of the payload.

Members of AMSAT-LU, had launched a high altitude balloon on 19th May from La Pampa, Argentina. The payload included a 70cm to 2m 4 watt FM repeater, live SSTV, an HF beacon and two video cameras. During the 4 hour flight, over 200 stations made contacts through the repeater.

Unfortunately, while the flight was deemed to be a complete success the balloon came down in an isolated and flooded area. It was finally recovered from the mud on October 6th by a 4 by 4 off-road adventure group.

The good news is that all flight data was retrieved. This included over 6 hours of video from the two cameras. Details can be found at www.uk.amsat.org. (GB2RS

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W1JLI Memorial repeater serving Walpole, Massachusetts.

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RADIO BUSINESS: GRE QUITS THE SCANNER BUSINESS BUR ALINCO NOT AFFECTED

GRE, the radio manufacturer which also represents Alinco here in the United States, has ceased all manufacture of scanner radios. The good news is that Alinco product sales and service will continue. Amateur Radio Newsline's Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, has the details:

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The news was a bit of a shock to the GRE group in Belmont, California -word from Japan earlier this month that the GRE personnel in Asia and the United States were being dismissed and scanner operations were being discontinued.

It was October 16th when the official word was released by GRE-employed U.S. managers of the shutdown in Japan.

But there was a pledge to keep the California office open because of its distribution affiliation with Alinco.

Michael Herbert, WB6JKV, a service technician and engineer for GRE's Belmont office, officially confirmed for Amateur Radio Newsline that things are still go for Alinco.

"GRE America will continue to market, service and support Alinco's radio products without any interruption," Herbert says. "So, for us amateurs, it will be business as usual."

And, Herbert continues: "No worries for warranty repairs. We have a great parts supply. We have a direct line with the factory and they are really eager to go forward with us and proceed."

Herbert says he's not authorized to say much more.

However, he says GRE is waiting on Alinco's new SDR, 100 watt HF radio due for delivery by Christmas. And, is expecting to distribute the new 900 megahertz /220 megahertz mobile radio about Dayton time next May.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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The bottom line. If you own or are planning to purchase an Alinco brand piece of radio gear you have nothing to worry about. However at

airtime the future of GRE manufactured scanner radios is unknown. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RESCUE RADIO: ISABELLA COUNTY MICHIGAN WANTS RADIO AMATEURS

An Emergency Management Director in Michigan, is seeking the assistance of the local ham radio community. This to be ready to provide solid emergency communications assistance in time of crisis.

Isabella County's Marc Griffis is actively recruiting licensed ham radio operators to help out in a variety of situations including training exercises. According to Griffis, there are more than fifty ham radio operators in Isabella County and he wants those who are interested to attend a Community Emergency Response Team training meeting.

Griffis says there is a potential in Isabella County for emergency management to call upon those with expertise in ham radio operation, and he wants them to be prepared for any situation. Examples of the types of assistance Griffis is referring to include assisting in the coordination of search and rescue perimeters. Also, communications between shelters and in other situations where other forms of communication have failed.

Isabella County is a located in central Michigan. As of the 2000 census, the population was 63,351. Its county seat is Mt. Pleasant. (Michigan Morning Sun)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED IOWA BROADCASTER ISSUED $10000 NAL

It's rare that you hear of an unlicensed broadcaster in Iowa, but it apparently has happened. This with word that the FCC has issued a $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture to Thomas Costa for allegedly operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 87.9 MHz in Iowa City. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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This past September 17th agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Kansas City Office used direction finding to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on the frequency 87.9 MHz to a transmitting antenna mounted on a chimney of a residence in Iowa City. The agents determined that the signal exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's rules and therefore required a license. The Commission's records showed that no authorization was issued to anyone for operation of an FM broadcast station at or near this address.

On September 18th agents from the Kansas City Office again used direction finding and confirmed that the station was still in

operation. The agents, this time accompanied by the property owner, inspected the unlicensed station's antenna and transmitter. The latter was located in a locked basement room. It turned out that the station was automated with a computer providing audio to a non-certified FM transmitter. The property owner stated that one Thomas Costa rented the basement room housing the station.

Later that day, the agents interviewed Costa. At that time he admitted that he rented the basement room and installed the radio station equipment but denied operating it. Rather he claimed that several unnamed individuals owned the equipment and gave him rent money each month which he, in turn, gave to the property owner. Costa also asserted that the alleged operators of the station did not provide him with their names or contact information in order to protect him and them from the FCC. He also stated that he was told by the unnamed operators that he could expect the Commission to inspect the station at some point and order him to cease operation.

Now in issuing the $10,000 N-A-L the FCC says that the record evidence in this case is sufficient to establish that Costa violated Section 301 of the Communications Act. Also that Costa can be said to have "operated" the unlicensed radio station because the evidence shows that he exercised control over the general conduct or management of it despite his claim that other individuals, who he refused to identify, were actually the operators. In this regard, Costa admitted that he rented and paid the monthly rental for the locked room housing the unlicensed station, and that he installed the station equipment.

Further, during the interview with the FCC agents, Costa mentioned that he was warned about the unlawfulness of the operation by unnamed individuals, who told him that he could expect the Commission to inspect the station and order him to cease operations at some point. Assuming the statement to be true, it appears that, in spite of the warning, Costa nonetheless allowed the station to continue to operate in the basement room. The FCC says that these facts indicate that Costa consciously operated and/or otherwise was involved in the general conduct or management of the unauthorized station.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Costa was given the customary 30 days to pay the proposed fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: BBG ACCUSES SYRIA OF JAMMING SATELLITE SIGNALS (Print version only)

The United States Broadcasting Board of Governors and several other international broadcasters believe jamming of their satellite signals

last week came from Syria.

According to an announcement from the board, the interference has disrupted satellite transmissions in Europe and the Middle East. Specifically, the jamming hit satellites operated by Eutelsat, a European satellite operator, and affecting TV and radio programs reaching millions of households.

The board noted that the jamming started when Eutelsat announced it would terminate transmission of 19 channels belonging to Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting. Several international broadcasters also criticized the jamming, citing disruption of broadcasts from Russia through Europe, Central Asia and the Middle East. Here in the United States, the Broadcasting Board of Governors said signals of Voice of America, Radio Free Europe and the Middle East Broadcasting Networks were affected.

According to the Broadcasting Board of Governors, an earlier round of jamming this month was traced directly to Iran. (RW)

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RADIO ON THE WEB: SOUTHGATE NEWS OPENS AMATEUR RADIO TODAY DISCUSSION BOARD

Great Britain's Southgate Amateur Radio News has launched a new amateur radio forum discussion board. Called the Ham Radio Today the forum contains lots of amateur radio news stories, plus sections for special interest groups. While geared mainly toward Europe and IARU Region 1, the board offers subjects of interest to hams world-wide including specialty areas to discuss 5 MHz operation, ham radio satellites EME operations and reports from several of the worlds best known propagation experts. Registration is free and only takes a minute. You'll find the new forum board at www.hamradiotoday.com (Southgate)

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RADIO EDUCATION: ARRL GRANT RETURNS HAM RADIO TO MISSOURI SCHOOL

Thanks to a dedicated teacher and a grant from the American Radio Relay League, ham radio is back at a suburban Saint Louis, Missouri school.

STL Today reports that a new amateur radio club has been created at St. Charles High School, in St. Charles County. The club was started by science teacher Ellen Zerr, KD0PES, after the ARRL recently awarded nearly $2,000 to the school. Zerr used the grant to buy radio gear and antennas for the station.

The last time the school had an active amateur radio club was way back in the 1960's. You can read the full story at tinyurl.com/new-missouri-club (STL Today)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ANOKA COUNTY ARC CELEBRATES THE HALLOWEEN CAPITOL OF THE WORLD (Print Version Only)

Turning to the social scene, since 1920 the City of Anoka, Minnesota, has hosted some major Halloween festivities, earning the reputation of "The Halloween Capitol of the World". To commemorate this years festivities the Anoka County Radio Club will operate a special event station W0YFZ from Anoka High School parking lot on Saturday, October 27th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. local time. Visitors are welcome to come observe the special event Haloween station. More about this operation is on the web at tinyurl.com/anoka-halloween-event (KB1UOG)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: 14 YEAR OLD MAKES DIGITAL DXCC

The ARRL report that 14 year old radio amateur Tom Jose, VU3TMO, has just achieved his Digital DXCC award.

First licensed when he was 13 years old in December of 2011, VU3TMO is a 3rd generation ham operator in his family along with his parents. VU3TMO is a member of India's National Institute of Amateur Radio and the Dayton Amateur Radio Association. He is reported to be one of the youngest hams in his nation. (ARRL, Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ARRL MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER ALLEN PITTS, W1AGP, RETIRES

After more than eight years as the ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager, Allen Pitts, W1AGP, has retired.

During his tenure, Pitts was responsible for developing public relations campaigns that featured the many facets of the Amateur Radio Service. The first of these was the simple but very effective Hello Radio campaign in 2006 that highlighted the fun and friendships of ham radio. That was followed by Emergency Radio, which built on the ARRL and the Amateur Radio Service's response during Hurricane Katrina. Next was his We Do That - Radio in 2008 showcased the technologies used in Amateur Radio. Pitts rounded out his career by spearheading the 2011 with the Do It Yourself or DIY campaign aimed at recruiting members of the burgeoning maker and hacker community to expand their horizons through becoming amateur radio operators.

While W1AGP has retired from day to day work at ARRL headquarters, he has not severed his ties with the national society. The ARRL is currently seeking a new Media and Public Relations Manager. In the interim, Pitts has agreed to continue on a very limited part-time basis during the selection process to find a successor. He also hopes to be able to work as a consultant on the League's Centennial projects, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the ARRL. (ARRL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: OPERATOR NEEDED FOR 2013 AMERICAN SAMOA DXPEDITION

Are you interested in going to American Samoa on a DXpedition? If yes, listen up.

Bill Worthman, N6MW, and Jim Colletto, N6TQ. will be active stroke KH8 from a hotel in Tutuila between March 19th and the 28th of next year. Their location on the island will be well south of the Pago Pago harbor area to avoid as much mountain low angle cut off as possible.

According to their website, they have an opening for one more operator to go along on this operation. For more details and updates, visit n6mw.jimdo.com on the World Wide Web. (OPDX)

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WORLDBEAT: DARC SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL HORKHEIMER PRIZE

Nominations are being invited by the German national amateur radio society, the DARC, for the prestigious Horkheimer Prize. The prize consists of an etched glass trophy and a monetary prize for non-personal use. The money is to be spent for the promotion of amateur radio however the recipient chooses. The prize can be awarded to one or more persons or institutions.

Any member of an amateur radio society in the International Amateur Radio Union is eligible, and self proposals are permitted. Nominations must be submitted to DARC by March 28, 2013, and the prize itself will be awarded at the opening of next year's Ham Radio convention in Friedrichshafen. More information in the German language is on-line at www.darc.de (DARC, GB2RS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FUNCUBE-2 A STEP CLOSER TO LAUNCH

The highly publicized Funcube satellite has taken another step toward becoming a reality. This with work that AMSAT-UK has delivered a set of completed Funcube 2 subsystem boards to Clyde Space Ltd in Glasgow. The handover took place on October 19th. The boards represent the Funcube-2 subsystem that will become a part of the UKube-1 spacecraft.

Three circuit boards make up the spacecraft. One is for command, control and telemetry. An RF Board that houses the command receiver, telemetry transmitter and linear transponder and a third board contains

the 400 milliwatt VHF amplifier and sensors.

Funcube-2 will provide a 435 to 145 MHz linear transponder for amateur radio SSB and CW communications and telemetry for school students around the world. Its host, the UKube-1 spacecraft is expected to be launched on a Soyuz-2 launcher from the Baikonur Cosmodrome launch facility in Kazakhstan in March 2013. (AMSAT-UK)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: NEW EXOPLANET DISCOVERED ONLY 24 TRILLION MILES AWAY

Scientists using visual and radio telescope data have discovered the closest planet outside our Solar System. One that is orbiting a sun-like star about 24 trillion miles away from Earth.

According to astronomers at the European Southern Observatory the so-called exoplanet has about the same mass as Earth but it circles its star much closer than Earth does the sun, The exoplanet which is described as a planet outside our Solar System is outside the "habitable zone" for possible life because of hot and rocky conditions Temperatures on its surface could reach some 2,200 degrees and the surface is likely to be lava.

Scientists discovered the planet while monitoring stars in Alpha Centauri, a neighboring star system, only about four light years away. That system is peppered with stars orbiting one another, making the hunt for planets difficult, astronomers explained.

This is now the closest of more than 840 confirmed exoplanets. This according to research published in the British science journal Nature. (Nature)

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DX

In DX, DF7NX is currently operational from Bolivia as CP8MW. He is active on HF Bands mostly operating CW. QSL as directed on the air.

LU3XEM, LU3XEI, LU1XBF, LU5VAT and LU7DSY will be active from Penguin Island November 2nd to the 4th as LTZ0. They will be operational on 80 through 10 ethers using CW, SSB and PSK 31. QSL this operation via LU7DSY

DF7NX is currently operational from Bolivia as CP8MW. He is active on the High Frequency bands mostly using CW. QSL via his home call, either direct or via the bureau.

JR1MLT has been heard on the air from Singapore as 9V1KK. He is reportedly active on all of the High Frequency bands using various modes. QSL direct only via JH1ILX.

N5ZO will be active from Ascension Island through October 30th as ZD8O. He plans to operate the CQ WW DX SSB Contest in Single Operator

All Band category. If you make contact, QSL via OH0XX

ND9M will be active from Diego Garcia Island through November 4th under the callsign VQ92JC. He also plans to operate the CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest while at that location. If you work him please QSL via home call.

Lastly, ZS3Oh is currently on the air from Botswana as A22LL. He is reported to be active on HF Bands mostly using CW. QSL via home call.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BRITISH SOPRANO SARAH BRIGHTMAN TO BE THE NEXT VISITOR TO THE ISS

The British songstress who created the role of Christine Daae (pron "Die Aye") in Sir Andrew Lloyd Webbers musical stage classic The Phantom of the Opera will be the next space tourist to visit the International Space Station. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

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On Wednesday, October 10th it was announced in Moscow that world famous soprano Sarah Brightman had passed the required mental and physical examinations to permit her fly to the ISS. And in a video of the press conference made public by the Russian Space Agency Roscosmos, and the singer herself, Brightman described how as a child she was inspired by the Apollo 11 landing on the moon.

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Brightman: "When I look back, my minds eye brings me to a rush of images from all of the incredible things that I have been privileged to experience in my life. But if I keep tracking back, my thoughts eventually come to rest on a flickering TV screen in 1969. There as a small and incredulous child I watched a man bound gently from the steps of a rocket ship and land on the surface of the moon.

"This really was an adventure. It was something miraculous.

"For me it was an epiphany. From that moment I began looking into the future. I began to dream about what life might hold in store for me and of what I could accomplish."

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During her comments, Brightman said the trip would serve as a way to promote environmental awareness and to encourage women's education by helping to close the gender gap in the sciences. For this she has called on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, better known as UNESCO, to join with her to make it happen:

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Brightman: "There are two key areas that we have identified which unify my personal passions, UNESCO's objectives and my spaceflight. Both are inexplicably linked and both relate to issues of sustainability."

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After completing an upcoming world tour to promote her new album appropriately called Dream Chaser, Brightman will undertake six months of training at Star City in Moscow in preparation for her mission to the International Space Station. Once on-orbit she is expected to take part in several educational ventures as just mentioned but it is not yet known if she will obtain an amateur radio license or has any plans to make any ham radio contacts from the ISS.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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This is not Sarah Brightman's first venture into the area of science education. Earlier this year in conjunction with Virgin Galactic she launched the Brightman STEM Scholarship program. STEM is an acronym for the words science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Her program is designed to help young women in the United States to pursue STEM education across their four year college careers.

(Roscosmos, Southgate, others)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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WS4FSM hosts the largest school contact ever with the ISS

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Next Tuesday, Oct 30th, at 15:58 UTC most of Palm Beach County's 187,000
students will be watching live as 10 students and 2 teachers make contact
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ITU launches Tech Needs Girls Prize to spark creativity

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To mark the first ever International Day of the Girl Child, ITU members and
partners are today joining forces to launch the Tech Needs Girls Prize, a
new global technology competition designed to inspire more girls to embrace
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Halton and District Radio Amateurs to stage first rally

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The Runcorn and Widnes Weekly News reports on the inaugural Halton and
District Amateur Radio Rally that will be held on Saturday, November 17

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Whitby Amateur Radio Club does double duty as road crew

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With a radio in one pocket and work gloves in another, radio hams in
Whitby, Ontario have been helping to clean up the streets

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Members of the University of Tennassee Amateur Radio Club took part in this year's JOTA

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DX News from the ARRL

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The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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HAM is where the heart is

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The Hindu Times interviews Gopal Madhavan VU2GMN president of the Amateur Radio Society of India (ARSI)

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GQRP Risworth 2012 video

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Steve G1KQH made this short video at the weekend while visiting the GQRP Rishworth Convention on the 20th October, 2012

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Opera Optical Beacon variation

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Based on the lecture given by Stuart Wisher G8CYW at the RSGB convention, outlining the use of a high frequency audio sub-carrier for optical communications, a modified version of the Opera beacon is in development

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

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ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

2116. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: WOCN31 CWHX 261145 Tropical cyclone information statementupdated by the Canadian,Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 8:41 AMADT Friday,26 October 2012.

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WOCN31 CWHX 261145
Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the Canadian
Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 8:41 AM ADT Friday
26 October 2012.
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Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Nova Scotia
Prince Edward Island
New Brunswick
Southern Quebec
Southern Ontario.

For hurricane Sandy.

The next statement will be issued by 3:00 PM ADT.

This is an updated preliminary information statement to discuss
The potential impact of hurricane Sandy in Canada. An updated
Statement is planned for 3 PM ADT.

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==discussion==
Hurricane Sandy will be moving through the Bahamas today with winds
in excess of 120 km/h. During the weekend Sandy is forecast to track
northward while remaining at or near hurricane strength. Sandy will
begin to lose some of its tropical characteristics during the next
two days, it will however remain a large and powerful cyclone as it
shifts toward the East Coast of the United States.

Sandy will quite likely impact parts of Eastern Canada early next
week. The track and intensity will, as always, depend on many
changing factors over a period of several days. Thus, it is too
early to meaningfully state how the storm will affect particular
areas. At this point in time we encourage consulting the forecasts
periodically during the weekend.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings
issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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2117. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 26 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 16:08:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e838ae0e57704ccf884dc@google.com>
Source record: 1634
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NZ4O "Weekly" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-44

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 07:09 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366121-NZ4O-quot-Weekly-quot-MF-HF-6M-Radio-Wave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-44&goto=newpost

The NZ4O "Weekly" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-44 has
been published on Friday October 26, 2012 at 0000 UTC. Valid 0000 UTC
Saturday October 27, 2012 through 2359 UTC November 02, 2012.

It can be found at http://www.solarcycle24.org and
http://www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm .

73 & GUD
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NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O "Daily" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast:
http://www.solarcycle24.org

NZ4O "Daily" Solar, Space Weather & Geomagnetic Data Archive:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o1.htm

NZ4O Solar Space, Weather & Geomagnetic Data Dashboard:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o2.htm

NZ4O Solar Cycle 24 Forecast Discussion & Archive:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o4.htm

NZ4O 160 Meter (MF) Radio Propagation Theory Notes:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o5.htm

NZ4O Solar Space Weather & Geomagnetic Raw Forecast Data Links:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o6.htm

Solar Cycle 24 dot org on Facebook:
http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarC...9462931?v=wall

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1837 October 26 2012

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 08:25 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366084-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1837--October-26-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1837 ☐ October 26 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1837 with a release date of October 26 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. New Zealand hams will have to wait a while longer to gain full access to 6 meters; Germany☐s national ham radio society says no to a new pan-European BPL standard; the Hurricane Watch Net activates for hurricane Sandy; GRE quits the scanner business and a well known British soprano will be the next space tourist to visit the International Space Station. Find out who on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1837 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: CLOSURE OF TV CHANNEL 1 AND ZL ACCESS TO 6 METERS UPDATE

Changes will be coming to the 6 meter band down-under, but not as quickly as some hams in New Zealand had hoped for. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports:

2118. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 26 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 16:36:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357a13f5ef104ccf8ea36@google.com>
Source record: 1635
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Dia do radioamador brasileiro - 5 de novembro

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 03:43 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366102-Dia-do-radioamador-brasileiro-5-de-novembro&goto=newpost

A estação PY1CML, estará operando com o indicativo especial ZW1CML - dia
04 e 05 de novembro de 2012, em homenagem ao

DIA DO RADIOAMADOR BRASILEIRO.

A estação será operada diretamente do Forte de Copacabana - Rio de Janeiro
- Brasil

horário das 08:00 ás 20:00h.

10,15,20 metros (CW)

40 e 80 metros (SSB)

The station PY1CML, will be operating with the special callsign ZW1CML - on
04 and 05 November 2012, in honor of

AMATEUR BRAZILIAN DAY.

The station will be operated directly from the Forte de Copacabana - Rio de
Janeiro - Brazil

time from 08:00 to 20:00.

10,15,20 meters (CW)

40 and 80 meters (SSB)

2119. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1084

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 18:42:33 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <406624.38632.bm@smtp101.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1636
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1084
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1084

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1084
BID: $OPDX.1084
October 29, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KS5Z, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8YSE, W8BBQ, W8GEX & 60m News, W9ILY, 4J5T, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, VA3RJ & ICPO the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) and ZL3AB for the following DX information.

*** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTES (by Tedd, KB8NW): This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX SSB Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX SSB Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 19th-October, through Friday, 26th-October there were 230 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work

First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA. Operators Hrane/YT1AD and Ashraf "Ash", KF5EYY (SWL 3V4-002), will be active as 3V8SS from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" in Sousse, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO.

4J/4K, AZERBAIJAN. Members of the "Federation of Radio Sports of Azerbaijan" and the Safari DX Activators Club are organizing a DXpedition to the battle line of the Nagorno Karabakh area between October 25-28th. The DXpedition will use two different callsigns, 4K3K and 4J0K. Please be aware that the mentioned callsigns are only legal to operate in the assigned Nagorno Karabakh area. No other callsigns are issued for the named territory by the Ministry of Communication of Azerbaijan. Any other callsigns are considered illegal. QSL both 4K3K and 4J0K via RW6HS. For more details, please see QRZ.com.

5T, MAURITANIA. Sadao, JA1PBV, is now active as 5T5BV until November 10th. Activity has been on 30/12/10 meters CW and RTTY. QSL via JA1PBV.

5V, TOGO (Reminder). By the time you read this, Wim, ON4CIT, will be active as 5V7TH from Togo (Grid Square JJ06rf) until November 5th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies reported in OPDX.1077. Wim requests on SSB to PLEASE call him only using the "International Radiotelephony Spelling Alphabet". QSL via his home callsign, direct (2 USDs/EU and 3 USDs/US), by the Bureau, LoTW (uploaded year later) or by the ClubLog's OQRS. For more details, visit: http://www.dxpedition.be/5V7TH.html

8Q, MALDIVES. Andrew, G7COD, is once again active as 8Q7AK from Embudu Island on the South Male Atoll, Maldives (AS-013), for three weeks in February 2013. If like last time, this trip is a holiday and he will be active on 80-12 meters, including 30/17/12 meters using CW and SSB. The following are suggested times of operations: 0730-0830z, 0900-1100z, 1300-1500z and 1730-1800z. Suggested frequencies (+/- QRM) are:
CW - 3503, 7003, 10103, 14003, 18073, 21003 and 24893 kHz
SSB - 3795, 7063, 14190, 18133, 21253 and 24953 kHz"
QSL via his home callsign, direct (see Web page) or by the Bureau. Andrew now has a dedicated Web page at: http://8q7ak.freewebspace.com

C3, ANDORRA. Members of the "Andorran Amateur Radio Union (URA)" will team up with a Spanish ham to be active as C37NL during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via C37URA. Operators mentioned are Josep/C31AT, Josep/C31JM, Beli/C31KC, Michel/C31MO, Martinho/ C31VM, Joan/C31US, Xavi/C32JK and Gerardo/EA3HCJ.

CN, MOROCCO. Operators Stefano/IK2QEI, Matteo/IK2SGC, Flavio/IK1SPR, Manuel/IK3STG, Filippo/IZ1LBG and George/NR5M will be active as CN3A from Safi during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via LoTW or via IV3ZXQ. Visit their Web page at: http://www.facebook.com/pages/CN3A/112969535390789

CR2, AZORES. Toni, OH2UA, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH. For more details, visit the CR2X Web page at: http://www.cu2a.com

CR2, AZORES (Correction). Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) [not the CQWW DX SSB Contest] as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH.

CR3, MADEIRA. Members of the Madeira Contest Team will be active as CR3A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are Joe/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Joe/CT3DZ, Luis/CT3EE, Duarte/CT3EN, Miguel/CT3IA, Tiago/CT3KU, Jose/CT3KY, Jose/CT3NT (CT1BOH) and Tony/CT1FFU. QSL via LoTW.

CY0, SABLE ISLAND. Operators Murray/WA4DAN and Ron/AA4VK continue to be active as homecall/CY0 from Sable Island until October 31st. Activity is focused on 10, 12, and 15 meters where the demand for CY0 is greatest, especially on 10m. Also, they plan to be active in the upcoming CQWW Phone contest on 10, 15, 20, and 40 meters. Look for possible update on: http://www.cy0dxpedition.com

E2, THAILAND. Operators Bob/HS0ZIA, Jack/HS0ZHI and Peter/NO2R will be active as E2E during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via HS0AC.

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. Operators Richard/9A1TT, Chris/9A5K, Suad/DK6XZ, Ranko/E70R, Vlado/E70T, Sanjin/E71DX, Fuad/E73CQ, Daniel/E73M, Radomir/E74IW, Zoran/E76C, Braco/E77DX, Rob/E77E and Bill/F5SNJ will be active as E7DX during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS. Luis, EA6XQ, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via the Bureau.

ED8, CANARY ISLANDS. Operators Manuel/EA8DO, Al/EA7JR and Manolo/EA7LL will be active as ED8W during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via EA8DO.

F6, FRANCE. Members of the Ville de Provins ARC will be active as F6KOP during the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Frank/F4AJQ, Terry/F4TTR, Michael/F4TJE, Olivier/F4FLF, Tony/F8ATS, Antoine/F5RAB, John/F5VHQ, Larry/F6BBO, Serge/F6DZS, Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Jo&#65533;l/F6JMT, Maurice/F5NQL and maybe Romain/F8BUI and Claude/F5GVA. QSL via F6KOP, by the Bureau.

HR9, HONDURAS. Hiro, JA6WFM, will be active as HR9/NP3J during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5GL only direct. Hiro will be there until January 2014. ADDED NOTE: Hiro mentions to also look for HR9/NP3JA in contest. Operator is Naomi, JM6EBU. QSL via via JM6EBU.

IOTA NEWS.....
AF-019. Emilio, IZ1GAR, will be active as IH9/IZ1GAR from Pantelleria Island (IIA TP-001, WLOTA 0041) between November 22-25th. In the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), Emilio will be active as IH9R and as a Single-Op/Single Band (40m) entry. Pantelleria counts as Multiplier Zone 33 Africa Italy for the CQWW DX rule (islands are located over the African continent platform). QSL via IZ1GAR, direct or by the Bureau.

EU-025. The II9K Contest Team will be active as II9K from Sicily during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Giuseppe/IT9HBT, Girolamo/ IT9GNG, Rino/IT9FXY, Vincenzo/IT9ECQ, Sal/IW9FRA, Mike/IF9ZWA, Domenico/IW9GTD, Antonino/IW9HII, Dario/IT9RDZ and Santo/ IT9KZW. QSL via IT9HBT. For more details, see: http://www.ii9k.it

OC-133. Satoshi "Saty", JE1JKL, will be active as 9M6NA from Labuan Island, East Malaysia, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. To see the 9M6NA station, go to: http://jsfc.org/je1jkl/9m6na.html

J3, GRENADA. Operators Terry/KS5Z and Mike/K5KM arrived in Grenada on October 22nd, and will be operating as J38T for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). Also look for J38K on 12 and 17 meters a day or two before the contests. QSL via operator's instructions.

J7, DOMINICA. Walter, HB9MFM, will once again be active as J79WTA from the Tamarind Tree Hotel near Salisbury on Dominica (NA-101) between October 26th and December 17th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using SSB, RTTY, PSK and if possible in SSTV. He will use an IC-7000 with an ACOM 1000 into a dipole 50m above sea level and Spider Beam. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

KG4, GUAM (News). "The Daily DX" reports [edited]: "Operations by Bill/ KG4WV and Ed/KG4KL are QRT due to loss of the ham shack to Hurricane Sandy which took off the roof and damaged several antennas. This weekend's contest activity by John/KG4EM and Norm/KG4AJ will not happen. We thank all who contacted us and hope to get back here soon to put the shack back together. 73, Bill, KG4WV"

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (October 29th-November 4th)....
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15

LN - Low Normal Active K? 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K? 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K? 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K?9 100-400

KP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Operators Tony/N2TK and John/K3TEJ will be active as KP2/N2TK and KP2/K3TEJ, respectively, between October 24-31st. Activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-? entry using the callsign KP2M. Outside of the contest, John will do most of the operating "usually" with an emphasis on 160m and 30/17/12 meter bands using CW and RTTY. QSL KP2M via AI4U. QSL their KP2/homecall to their home addresses. KP2/K3CT is OK via LoTW.

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Otis, NP4G, will be active during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to NP3O.

OJ0, MARKET REEF (Cancelled). Operators Tomi/OG9X, Simo/OH2HAN and Juha/OH6XX had to cancel their planned DXpedition this week and weekend because of bad weather.

PJ4, BONAIRE. Look for PJ4X to be active from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th). QSL via W1MD.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN. Operators Kazu/7L4XDT and Masa/K1GI will be active as PJ7XK and PJ7I, respectively, from Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 383, DIFO FS-001) between November 18-24th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Equipment will be a K3 with a 500w amp into a vertical for 160-40m, hexagon beam for 20-10m, 6 element yagi for 6m. QSL PJ7XK via 7L4XDT and PJ7I via JG2BRI. For more details, see the Web site at: http://www.qsl.net/pj7i

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 26th)

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3A/SP7VC via SP7VC CY0/WA4DAN via WA4DAN PJ2/DL8AKI via DL8AKI
4X130RISHON via 4Z4KX DM50UEA via DL3BUA PJ4/KM3T via KM3T
5N52EAM via IK2IQD EA6/DK5IR via DK5IR SN0TROJA via SP8YWK
6Y5/KQ1F via KQ1F EX/UA4WHX via UA4WHX SV0JQ via DK1TR
A71CV via NI5DX FG/TU5KG via F4DXW SV8/DL8MCA via DL8MCA
BY1RX/JT1BV via JT1BV HB9WFF via HB9FBI TI5/W3TB via W3TB
C50C via OM2FY HZ1MOP via HZ1HN TM12SF via F5RSU
CP8MW via DF7NX IL7/IK4JQQ via IK4JQQ TM40BMCH via F8DHE
CT9/DL1EK via DL1EK PB100NAC via PA1WLB V25NY via PY2NY
CY0/AA4VK via AA4VK PJ2/DL4JS via DL4JS VP5/K9PPY via K9PPY
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

3B9SP PIRATE. Any QSOs made after the date October 24th are by PIRATES.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Berti, HB9SLO, is the new QSL Manager for 3B9FR as of October 23rd, 2012.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Publio, I4KMW, will be the new QSL Manager for the G. Marconi Memorial Beacon Robot, IY4M, beginning November 1st, 2012. See details on QRZ.com.

QSL STATUS. The Z81D QSLs will be printed soon and start going out in December.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 1A0C, 3G7C, 5P9X, 5W1SA, 9A4WY, 9J3A, A92GE, CO2JD, CT1JOP, DH7LF, DJ3IW, DO4DXA, EA1AKS, EA7IPP, EA8/RW3DO, EI80IRTS, F1ILA, F1RHS, FK/I2GPT, FO4BM, HB0/PA4N, HZ1PS, J28AA, JA0FVU, KH8/DL3DXX, MM0AMW, NH8S, OK6DJ, OX3XR, R5AJ, S50XX, S51DI, SM6NOC, T6MO, TI2HAS, TR8CA, V55V/P, WH0/K0BBC, WP3Z, YF1AR, YT2T and YV5JF

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5U5U, 7O6T, HV5PUL, VK9XS, VK9CS and YE0M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 6V7D, 8Q7DV, 9M2MRS, 9M2TO, 9M4SDX, 9N7DX, AP2TN, CT9/RC5A, CT9/UA1ANA, CY9M, D3AA, KC4/N2TA, HS0ZIV, P3N, R1ANP, RI1ANR, S21YZ, S9DX and T88OW

UA2, KALININGRAD. Dmitri, UA2FB, will be active as UA2K (ex-UA2KK) from the Keeper Telecom LTD Club Station during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via direct to: Ulrich Mueller, 13 Kreutzacker Str, D-35041 Marburg, Germany. No German stamps please! All cards are replied from Russia. No IBRS please! Bureau QSLs go to the UA2 QSL Bureau.

UI2, KALININGRAD. Igor, UA2FZ, will be active as UI2K during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UA2FZ.

V2, ANTIGUA (NA-100). A team of operators will once again activate the V26B super station at Gunthroppes, during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Activity will be on all bands. Please QSL V26B direct to KA2AEV or LoTW. Visit Team Antigua's Web page at: http://www.team-antigua.com
Operators mentioned are Darrell/AB2E, Bob/W2BZR, Mike/K3GEG, Dale/N3BNA, Brian/N3OC, Sam/WT3Q, Marco/HB9OCR, Roberto/I2WIJ, Don/JH5GHM and Luis/PY5NY. Look for operators possibly to be active before and after the contest using their own V2 callsigns.

V6, MICRONESIA (Update). Haru, JA1XGI will be active as V63XG from Yap Island (OC-012) between December 5-12th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters (especially 30/17/12m) using mainly CW, with some SSB and the Digital modes. Also JT65. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 7005, 10105, 14005, 18075, 21005, 24895 and 28005 kHz
SSB - 7086, 14175, 18135, 21260, 24940 and 28450 kHz
RTTY - 10140, 14088, 18120, 21088, 24910 and 28088 kHz
JT65 - 7076, 10138, 14076, 18102, 21076, 24920 and 28076 kHz
6m - 7005/CW and 7086/SSB

He will use an IC-7000 into a two element yagi for 17/12m and a fishing rod (only 5m long) antenna. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. Look for updates and details on Haru new Web page or Blog page at: http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm

http://ja1xgidxvacation.blogspot.com

VI6, AUSTRALIA. John, VK6HZ, will be active as VK6XX during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band or Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. QSL via VK6HZ.

XV2, VIETNAM. Mal, VK6LC, will once again return to Vietnam on a "DX Vacation" during the month of November. His schedule is as follows:
XV1LC - from Northern Vietnam during early November
XV2LC - from Ho Chi Minh City during late November
Activity will usually be mainly 20 meters with some 17/12 meters using mostly CW with some SSB. QSL via his home callsign, only direct. He does NOT use the QSL Bureau. Check out QRZ.com for some more details and pictures under VK6LC, XV1LC and XV2LC.

XU, CAMBODIA. Barry, ZL1DD, will be active as XU7AEL from the XU7AAA Rental Shack (Samkam Beach Hotel) in Sihanoukville, Cambodia, during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

YE0, INDONESIA. The YE0X Team will once again be active from Jakarta during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via YB0ZZ. Visit the official YE0X Web page at: http://ye0x.com

YE2, INDONESIA. Members of the ORARI Daerah Jawa Tengah Contesting Team will be active as YE2R from Semarang on the Island of Java (IOTA OC-021, WLOTA L1660), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via YB3MM. Operators mentioned are Djoko/YB1TJ, Bobby/YB2BBY, Hans/YB2DX, Seno/YB2LSR, Jon/YB2ECG, Sri/YB2TET (YL), Dani/YB2TJV, Deta/YB2VTO (YL), Bagus/YB2WB, Tom/YB3KM, Buntoro/YB3PXF, Adhi/YB3MM, Imam/YB4IR, Joy/YB0NSI, Nur/YC2WBF, Budi/YF1AR, Bob/KR7O and Iwan/W7NZ. For more details, look at: http://www.ye2r.wordpress.com

Z6, KOSOVO. The following was reported on QRZ.com [edited]:
"FROM PHRISTINA TODAY 2012-10-25.
LATEST FROM THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO, Z60WW

Mission Goodwill Kosovo is an alliance of several nationalities in their mission to bring Kosovar hams back on the air after more than a twenty years hiatus. The initial Z60K activity was to launch Amateur Radio in this fledgling republic of two million people. Their Amateur Radio association (SHARK) is now fully registered and its initial member-ship is expected to reach fifty (50) this year. You may read about some of their first operators on the QRZ.com Website: Z61AJ, Z61DD, Z61DX, Z61FF, Z61VB.
Today SHARK has announced plans for their first participation in the CQWW DX Contest, as Z60WW, using two stations in the multi-two category and employing a multi-national team in addition to their own members. The station has an impressive lay-out with a good location in the capital, Pristina, using a beam antenna and two K3s with amplifiers. This is the first time for the Z6 prefix and the Republic of Kosovo will appear in any contest thus everyone is urged to update their CTY files. Usage of

80m is now allocated as of today for the first time.
Operators will be: Ali/Z61DD, Driton/Z61DX, Feti/Z61FF, Stein/LA4MIA,
Martti/OH2BH, Dusan/S52DD and Teemu/SM0W.
QSLs for this operation via OH2BH."

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the Quake Contesters Group will be active as
ZL3X during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th) as a Multi-2/
High-Power entry. QSL via ZL3PAH or LoTW. Operators mentioned are Mark/
ZL3AB, Andrew/ZL3ADW, Don/ZL3DMC, Byron/ZL3DXT, Andrew/ZL3DW, Geoff/ZL3GA,
Graeme/ZL3GK, Mike/ZL3MJS and Phil/ZL3PAH.

ZM4, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the East Coast Contesters ZM4T/ZM2M Team
will be active using the callsign, ZM4T, in the CQWW DX SSB Contest
(October 27-28th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are: Lee/ZL2AL,
ZL2CC, Gary/ZL2IFB, Holger/ZL3IO, Peter/ZL2LF, Tom/ZL2MY, Phil/ZL2RVW,
Stan/ZL2ST and Wayne/ZL2WG. QSL via ZL2AL, direct or LoTW or OQRS. Visit
the ZM4T Web page at: http://www.zm4t.com
Mark, ZL3AB, adds details about their QTH, "Back at our hillside location
and having learnt some valuable lessons from the CQ WW RTTY contest, we
have warmer clothes, some better antennas and in the immortal words of Tim
the Toolman Taylor 'more power!' planned as well as a Cluster connection
that actually works!"

The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX SSB Contest (October 27-28th, 2012)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2012 CQWW DX SSB Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqs2012.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsd2012.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqsz2012.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3G3W Chile 12 M/? XQ4CW
3V8BB Tunisia 22 M/S LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
3Z6O Poland 15 SOAB LoTW
5Z4EE Kenya 37 SOAB HP NV7E
6W1RY Senegal 35 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via F5VHJ (B/d)
6Y9X Jamaica 08 M/2 KQ1F
8P2K Barbados 08 SOSB 10M KU9C
8P5A Barbados 08 SOAB HP NN1N
9A1P Croatia 15 M/S 9A2RD
9A7A Croatia 15 M/S 9A1HDE
9H3PP Malta 15 SOSB HA5PP
9H9X Malta 15 M/S LoTW
9Y4D Trinidad & Tobago 09 SOSB 20M HP 9Y4D

A73A Qatar 21 M/M EA7FTR
AH2R Guam 27 M/S LoTW; QSL via JH7QXJ (B/d)
(Do not use KH2 Bureau or
address)
AH0/N0AT Mariana Islands 27 M/? LoTW
AH0BT Mariana Islands 27 M/2 7L1FPU
BX5AA Taiwan 24 SOAB HP BX5AA
BY5CD China 24 M/M BD4HF
C37NL Andorra 14 M/2 C37URA
C45T Cyprus 20 SO LP LoTW; QSL via 5B4MF (B/d)
C5A Gambia 35 M/M OM2FY
C6AQQ Bahamas 08 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via N3IQ or eQSL
C6AZZ Bahamas 08 SOSB 20M KQ8Z
CN3A Morocco 33 M/? IV3ZXQ
CQ7A Portugal 14 M/S CT1DSV
CR2X Azores 14 SOAB HP OH2BH
CR3A Madeira 33 M/? LoTW
CR3L Madeira 33 M/2 DJ6QT
CR6P Portugal 14 M/S
CW0A Uruguay 13 SOSB CX2AL
AA4VK/CY0 Sable Island 05 OQRS
WA4DAN/CY0 Sable Island 05 OQRS
D9K South Korea 25 M/S DS4NYE
E2E Thailand 26 M/S HS0AC
E21EIC Thailand 26 SOAB LP E21EIC; JAs QSL via JR5XPG
E7DX Bosnia & Herzegovina 15 M/S E77E
E74A Bosnia & Herzegovina 15 SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via K2PF
EA3GLB Spain 14 M/M EA3GLB
EA5URT Spain 14 M/? EA5URT
EA6/AA5UK Balearic Islands 14 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via AA5UK
(B/d/e)
EA6XQ Balearic Islands 14 SOAB HP Bureau
EA8/DL3FCG Canary Islands 33 LoTW; QSL via eQSL
EA8AY Canary Islands 33 SOSB W2GR
EA9/SP7VC Ceuta & Melilla 33 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via SP7VC direct
ED1R Spain 14 M/2 EC1KR
ED1WW Spain 14 M/S EA1FCR
ED5O Spain 14 M/S EA5URS
ED5T Spain 14 M/S EA5ELT
ED8W Canary Islands 33 M/S EA8DO
ED9Z Ceuta & Melilla 33 M/? EA9LZ
EE1W Spain 14 M/M EA1AZ
EE7L/1 Spain 14 SOAB HP ES7HLU
EF7X Spain 14 M/S EA7GYS
EF8R Canary Islands 33 SOAB LP
EF8S Canary Islands 33 SOSB 160M OH2BYS
EI1A Ireland 14 ON4EI Bureau
ES9C Estonia 15 M/S ES5RY
EY8MM Tajikistan 17 SOSB 10M K1BV
F6KOP France 14 M/2 F6KOP Bureau

FG/F5UTN Guadeloupe 08 SO F5UTN
FY5KE French Guiana 09 SOSB 15M FY1FL
GD3RXQ Isle of Man 14 SOAB HP LoTW
GJ2A Jersey 14 M/S LoTW; QSL via GJ3DVC
GW4BLE Wales 14 SOSB 10M LoTW
HK1NA Colombia 09 M/M K6IPM
HR2WW Honduras 07 SOAB LP KD4POJ
HR9/NP3J Honduras 07 SO LP EA5GL
HS8FLU Thailand 26 SOSB 20M HS8FLU; QSL via (B/d/e)
IF9A Sicily 15 M/S IT9ATF
IG9R African Italy 33 TBA
IH9YMC African Italy 33 SOSB eQSL
II9K Sicily 15 IT9HBT
II9P Sicily 15 M/? IT9CHU
I05O Italy 15 M/S IK5RLP
IR5A Italy 15 M/S LoTW
KG4EM Guantanamo Bay 08 SOAB LP KB7GJ
KG6DX Guam 27 SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via KG6DX direct
KH7CW Hawaii 31 M/? K2WR
KP2/NQ3X U.S. Virgin Island 08 SOAB NQ3X
KP2M U.S. Virgin Island 08 M/?
KP2MM U.S. Virgin Island 08 SO LoTW
L73D Argentina 13 M/S EA5KB
LU1UM Argentina 13 M/S LU1UM direct
LX7I Luxembourg 14 SOAB LX2A
LY7A Lithuania 15 M/M LY2ZO
NH2T Guam 27 SOAB HP LoTW
NP3X Puerto Rico 08 SOSB 20M NP3O
NP4G Puerto Rico 08 SOSB 20M
NP4Z Puerto Rico 08 SO HP N4AO
OH0JFP Aland Island 15 SOSB
OH0X Aland Island 15 SOAB HP OH2TA
OH0YY Aland Island 15 SO OH2YY
OH0Z Aland Island 15 SOAB HP W0MM
OZ5E Denmark 14 M/S LoTW
P3F Cyprus 20 SOAB HP M0DXR
P40W Aruba 09 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via N2MM
PJ4X Bonaire 09 W1MD
RU0FM Russia (Asia) 19 M/S LoTW; QSL via RU0FM (B/d)
SI9AM Sweden 14 M/? SI9AM
T46A Cuba 08 M/? EA5GL
T6MO Afghanistan 21 SOSB 10M K9GY
T88EB Palau 27 SOAB JH1EAQ; QSL via (B/d)
T88KV Palau 27 SOAB HP JF2SKV
TF3CW Iceland 40 SOSB 20M LX1NO direct
TF3W Iceland 40 M/S TF3W
TI8M Costa Rica 07 M/2 TI8M
TK9R Corsica 15 SOAB HP IK8UND
TO2A French Guiana 09 SOAB KU9C
TO9R Martinique 08 SOAB LoTW

UA2K Kaliningrad 15 SOSB 20M
UI2K Kaliningrad 15 SOAB HP UA2FZ
UK9AA Uzbekistan 17 SOSB 10M UK9AA direct
UZ2M Ukraine 16 M/S US0LW
V31MW Belize 07 SO HP N0HJZ
V47JA St Kitts & Nevis 08 SOAB LoTW
VA7XB Canada 03 M/S LoTW
VC2B Canada 05 M/S VE2BR; QSL via (B/d)
VC2X Canada 02 SOAB HP VE3ZF
VC3X Canada 04 SOAB HP VE7VR
VD1M Canada 05 M/S VO1MP
VE2IM Canada 02 SOAB LoTW; QSL via VE3DZ
VE7IO Canada 03 M/? LoTW
VK6XX Australia 29 SO HP VK6HZ
VP2MDG Montserrat 08 M/2 K2DM
VP5T Turks & Caicos 08 M/M LoTW
VP9I Bermuda 05 SOAB LP N1HRA
VQ5X Turks & Caicos 08 M/S W4OX
VQ92JC Chagos 39 ND9M
W4W Puerto Rico 08
XU7AEL Cambodia 26 SOAB LP ZL1DD
XX9TTT Macao 24 SOSB 15M IZ8CCW; QSL via (B/d)
YE2R Indonesia 28 M/M YB3MM
YE0X Indonesia 28 M/M YB0ZZ
YN2AA Nicaragua 07 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via NN3W
YS1YS El Salvador 07 M/S YS1GMV
ZD8O Ascension Island 36 SOAB OH0XX
ZL3X New Zealand 32 M/2 LoTW; QSL via ZL3PAH
ZM4T New Zealand 32 M/2 LoTW; QSL via ZL2AL
(d/OQRS)
ZP9MCE Paraguay 11 SOSB 10M EA5ZD
ZU6KB South Africa 38 SO LP ZU6KB
ZW5B Brazil 11 M/M K3IRV
ZX5ZZ Brazil 11 SOAB LP PY5PDC; QSL via (B/d)
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only (e) eQSL

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Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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2120. eHam.net News for Friday 26 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-26 22:24:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f6427d874a2d704ccfdc970@google.com>
Source record: 1637
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #43 de K7RA:

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 05:41 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29214

Good conditions should prevail for the CQ World Wide SSB DX Contest this weekend. A chance of solar flares has greatly diminished in the past few days, and the latest forecast has planetary A index at a steady and quiet 5 for this weekend and beyond, through the first week in November.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-44:

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 05:42 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29213

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-44:

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Ham Is Where The Heart Is:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 05:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29212

Gopal Madhavan is seldom bamboozled by new technology. At a poky little room that serves as his personal ham radio station, he displays admirable mastery of Ham Radio Deluxe (HRD), a Windows software that allows a slew of radio operations to be performed on the computer. Let the tech-savvy 30-somethings out there, who curl their mouths and mutter "Big deal!" know that Madhavan is 76 years old! While most hams of his generation struggle to come to grips with the constantly evolving software-defined ham radio system, Madhavan is on top of it. As a qualified engineer, Madhavan has a clear advantage. But it is a deep-rooted passion for the hobby that has provided the impetus to embrace and master new technologies.

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Radio Club On the Air in Anoka this Saturday:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29211

The Anoka County Radio Club will commemorate Anoka's long-standing Halloween celebration Saturday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. by

assembling at the Anoka High School parking lot and operating a long-distance amateur radio station as part of the 2012 Anoka Halloween Capital of the World festivities. "Since 1956, the Anoka County Radio Club has participated in many civic activities in the county,and it seemed like a great idea to get involved in the Anoka Halloween festivities and help get the word out to other amateur radio operators around the world," said the radio club's event chairperson, Dana Johnson. Amateur radio operators (also known as "ham" radio operators) are licensed by the FCC in the United States, and participate in a wide variety of communications-related activities from emergency preparedness exercises to civic event communications support. The Anoka County Radio Club's special event station at the Halloween festivities will transmit and receive voice contacts with other amateur radio operators around the world via a 30-plus-foot antenna tower, tracking names and contact information to send them a postcard after the event - another favorite past-time of some ham radio operators.

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ARNewsline Report 1837 -- Oct 26 2012:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 05:34 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29210

The following is a QST. New Zealand hams will have to wait a while longer to gain full access to 6 meters; Germany's national ham radio society says no to a new pan-European BPL standard; the Hurricane Watch Net activates for hurricane Sandy; GRE quits the scanner business and a well known British soprano will be the next space tourist to visit the International Space Station. Find out who on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1837 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #44:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 11:07 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29209

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, RW6HS, W3UR, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

2121. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 26 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-27 02:43:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405b324c1f504cd016617@google.com>
Source record: 1638
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators on standby for Hurricane Sandy - WECT-TV6

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 03:21 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGLHRjS-YiRIC4r3YT6O7zyrwcxDQ&url=http://www.wect.com/story/19928375/ham-radio-operators-on-standby-for-hurricane-sandy

Ham radio operators on standby for Hurricane Sandy
WECT-TV6
"When communication lines are severed we are the people who come in and assist the county and governments in communications," said ham radio operator Bill Morine. Morine is a section manager for ham radios in the Wilmington area. Amateur radio ...

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Ham radio license class Nov. 10 - MyWebTimes.com

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 08:13 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEmy5esnncueuX5b70myQNDIdCn-w&url=http://mywebtimes.com/ottnews/archives/ottawa/display.php?id%3D464436

Ham radio license class Nov. 10
MyWebTimes.com
The La Salle County Amateur Radio Civil Emergency Service will have a review and exam session for any person interested in receiving their Amateur Radio Technician & General licenses. "Ham radio is a hobby – a hobby like no other," said Fred Moore, ...

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Boy Scouts take part in Jamboree-On-The-Air - Press-Register - al.com (blog)

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 09:58 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGEZJ38TpEGfstjS6I1hYlLYSpCnw&url=http://blog.al.com/pr-community-news/2012/10/boy_scouts_take_part_in_jambor.html

Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Boy Scouts take part in Jamboree-On-The-Air
Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Share Email Print. Radio_Jamboree.jpg View full sizeDuring the Jamboree-On-The-Air at Camp Pinetreat, Rick Barnes explains how a ham radio walkie-talkie works to Boy Scouts from Troop 227, which meets at Dauphin Way United Methodist Church. From left ...

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Radio club, scouts use ham radio - UT Daily Beacon

Posted: 24 Oct 2012 12:08 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFfEwjMuuV39yLetHcMugnLr0JDBQ&url=http://utdailybeacon.com/news/2012/oct/24/radio-club-scouts-use-ham-radio/

Radio club, scouts use ham radio
UT Daily Beacon
They also gain experience with amateur radio, known commonly as ham radio. A handful of students and an alumna were on hand to help the scouts learn the basics of two-way radio communication. "We presented a class to them about amateur radio, and ...

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ARNewsline Report 1837 -- Oct 26 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 12:45 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEMPII3J4I0yY7w1I-pDPe1b4GgQA&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29210

ARNewsline Report 1837 -- Oct 26 2012:
eHam.net
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MAYORAL CANDIDATE PROFILE Ken Sandberg - Simi Valley Acorn

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 09:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE65ymKJDiVSahRg4Mqg7mkJo4oJQ&url=http://www.simivalleyacorn.com/news/2012-10-26/Community/MAYORAL_CANDIDATE_PROFILE_Ken_Sandberg.html

MAYORAL CANDIDATE PROFILE Ken Sandberg
Simi Valley Acorn
Sandberg often participates in ham radio events, providing emergency communication for marathons and cross-country events, for example, where cellphones have no reception. IRIS SMOOT/Acorn Newspapers Months ago, when people began pulling ...

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Ahmedabad students to make 'space call' to Sunita Williams - Times of India

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 04:53 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEzAEw-rN68u5tLS3Krwm2q_DDNag&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Ahmedabad-students-to-make-space-call-to-Sunita-Williams/articleshow/16975944.cms

Ahmedabad students to make space call to Sunita Williams
Times of India

Narottam Sahoo, senior scientist at the Science City, said the Ham radio, also known as amateur radio is frequently used for the space-to-earth communication and in the past, many of the astronauts stationed at ISS have had talks with students ...

2122. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Saturday 27 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-27 06:21:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934065b04d5f004cd0473e1@google.com>
Source record: 1639
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Nov. 4, 2012 - ARRL Iowa Section Convention and 41st Annual DRAC Hamfest

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 06:03 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366112-Nov-4-2012-ARRL-Iowa-Section-Convention-and-41st-Annual-DRAC-Hamfest&goto=newpost

The ARRL Iowa Section Convention and 41st Annual DRAC Hamfest and Computer Show will be held at Davenport, Iowa on Sunday, November 4, 2012, at the Clarion Hotel Conference Center, 5202 Brady Street. The featured speaker will be Larry Wolfgang WR1B, ARRL QEX Editor, from ARRL Headquarters. He will give two forums on ☐My Favorite Hints & Kinks☐ and ☐An Introduction to HF Digital Communications.☐

Larry has been an ARRL staff member since 1981 and QEX Editor since 2006. He holds a bachelor's degree in physics from Susquehanna University, and taught high school science prior to coming to ARRL. First licensed as WN3JQM in 1968, at the age of 15, Larry also held WA3VIL for many years. He is also very active in the Boy Scouts program and the Scouting Jamboree on the Air.

There will also be an ARRL forum presented by ARRL Midwest Division Director, Cliff Ahrens K0CA, and a program by Iowa Section Manager Tom Brehmer N0LOH on ☐My First Dayton and the ARRL Iowa Section.☐

The hamfest will include commercial vendors, and everything from parts to complete stations, computer systems, hardware and software.

For more information, see the Convention☐s web page:

http://www.arcsupport.com/drac/hamfest.html

or contact John Hoenshell N0BFJ, at n0bfj@arrl.net.

Hams and family will have a chance to meet and greet Larry, Cliff and Tom on Saturday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm at Frank's Pizza, 2297 Falcon Ave. in Bettendorf, Iowa. (Near the corner of 53rd and 18th) This is Dutch Treat in the banquet room. No RSVP needed.

2123. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 27 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-27 11:05:33 UTC
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FCC seeks comments on proposed changes to Amateur licensing rules, Emission types

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The ARRL report that earlier this month, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) -- WT Docket No. 12-283 -- proposing to amend the Part 97 rules governing the Amateur Radio Service. On October 24, a summary of the NPRM was published in the Federal Register and the FCC is seeking comments on it

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Propagation de K7RA

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Katn6UJgrJQ/043_october_27.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Good conditions should prevail for the CQ World Wide SSB DX Contest this weekend. A chance of solar flares has greatly diminished in the past few days, and the latest forecast has planetary A index at a steady and quiet 5 for this weekend and beyond, through the first week in November

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10th IARU HST World Championship, Beatenberg 2012

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The 10th IARU HST World championship took place from 17-21 October in Beatenberg, Switzerland. More than 150 participants (97 competitors) from 20 countries attended the event

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New venue and dates for Chelmsford meetings

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Due to building work at the Marconi Social Club, the November and December meetings of the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society will be held at the Great Baddow Parish Hall

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In space no one can hear you scream

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The UK STRaND-1 Nanosat being built by volunteers in Guildford will host several Android Apps, one of them was developed by Cambridge University Space Flight

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NsHGy_hcfnE/october_27.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W1GrqO4Hwr4/dxcc_report_2710.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 19th-October, through Friday, 26th-October there were 230 countries active

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Amateur radio operators help others weather the storm

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WREX reports on ham radio operators who assist in severe weather situations

2124. SARL News in English 27/10/2012

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SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 28 October 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SARL MEMBERS TO GET 10% DISCOUNT ON BOOKS

SARL TO PRESENT AMATEUR RADIO'S NEEDS IN THE UHF AND MICROWAVE BANDS AT ICASA HEARING NEXT WEEK

NEW AWARD

DARC TO OPPOSE NEWLY PROPOSED EUROPEAN PLT STANDARD

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL MEMBERS TO GET 10% DISCOUNT ON BOOKS

>From 1 November SARL members will enjoy a 10% discount on books ordered from the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust. A list of available books can be found on www.amateurradio.co.za. The latest edition to books available in South Africa is ARRL's Low Power Communication - the art and science of QRP and Short Antennas for 160 Meter Radio. The book dares to discuss the possibility of smaller antennas for this intriguing band. Intended for amateurs with advanced skills in antenna modelling, Grant Bingeman, KM5KG, walks you through the theory behind innovative designs for relatively compact antennas. You'll learn how to enhance bandwidth, minimize loss, and employ other techniques to enjoy 160 meters with limited real estate.

SARL TO PRESENT AMATEUR RADIO'S NEEDS IN THE UHF AND MICROWAVE BANDS AT ICASA HEARING NEXT WEEK

The South African Radio League will discuss amateur radio's needs for allocation in the 2,3; 3,5 and 5 GHz bands at the ICASA hearing on the draft frequency migration regulation and frequency migration plans to be held on 1 and 2 November 2012. A few weeks ago the SARL put forward its requirements for allocations in these bands in line with the IARU Region 1 spectrum requirements for amateur radio document.

DARC TO OPPOSE NEWLY PROPOSED EUROPEAN PLT STANDARD

Germany's national amateur radio society, the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club, or DARC, will be asking the German Commission for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies to oppose a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard. During its October 22nd meeting, the DARC Board discussed the pros and cons of the proposed draft standard. While it said that it recognizes the new draft provided for some non-binding commitments for notching out of certain frequencies in the amateur bands, it also noted that it fears the future ambitions of the manufacturers of other PLC products in the direction of higher limits for the emission of harmful electromagnetic or EMC interference. This could lead to a weakening of the previous limits in other European EMC standards.

This new standard concerns the devices that people install in their homes to run data over their house wiring. It has nothing to do with PLC or BPL that is carried over the company power networks.

OCTOBER RADIO ZS ON THE WEB AND IN THE MAIL

The October edition of Radio ZS is now available on the web to members. The printed version has also been mailed. In this edition Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, writes about an innovative technique for generating a wideband quadrature LO signal as required by Amateur SDR and phasing type SSB applications. This technique only requires a LO input frequency of twice the operational frequency and not four times as that used by current designs. The halving of the required input frequency considerably simplifies the design of SDR solutions covering either more than one Amateur band or even the whole HF band.

Read part I of Wireless Telegraphy during the Anglo-Boer War of 1899 - 1902 by Duncan Baker. Build an End Fed 40 Metre Half Wave Antenna, read about spider antennas and get up to speed with RaDAR and the ZS4U Supapix Transceiver.

If you are not a member yet, have a look at the October edition of Radio ZS and you will see what you are missing. To get a free trial copy of this edition of Radio ZS send an email to artoday@sarl.org.za with OCT Radio ZS in the subject line.

NEW ZEALAND AMATEURS MAY GET 6 m SOON

Amateurs across New Zealand may have to wait a bit longer to get full access to the 6 metre band. As previously reported, 50 to 51 MHz down-under is to be returned to amateur radio once all Channel 1 television has ceased using the spectrum and the current management

right for this band expires.

What may not be known by some radio amateurs is that the last New Zealand channel 1 television transmitter is not due to close down until November 2013. After that, the management right under which it operates, does not expire until August 2015.

Because of this, the New Zealand national amateur radio society, NZART, is working with the nation's Radio Spectrum Management on arrangements for the period between when all the Channel 1 transmitters are turned off and their management right expires. In the meantime any New Zealand amateur in an area where TV channel 1 is no longer operating can apply for a permit to operate on the band.

NEW MEMBER The SARL welcomes Roelie Kriel ZSL1049 as a new member. Welcome Roelie.

WHAT IS YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS

If there is any doubt about whether youR subscripion payment has been received or any other detail of your membership status, you can easily check it yourself by going to the web address given at the end of this news item. If there is any problem with your membership, contact the admin office admin@sarl.org.za or the secretary secretary@sarl.org.za.

The web address where you can do the check is http://www.sarl.org.za/public/Membercheck.asp

NEW AWARD

The SARL has received a substantial donation from SAATI (the SA Amateur Telecommuncations Institute). The proceeds on the investment of this donation are to be used to fund a new annual award, the SAATI Technology Award.

The purpose of this award is to stimulate activity and development on amateur bands and to reward radio amateurs who have contributed to this objective, especially activity on digital and lesser known modes or new modes of activity.

To enable clubs to nominate amateurs for this award, the details of the award and the qualifying conditions will be published on the web well before the 2013 AGM.

SAATI was founded in October 1975 with 10 members. It grew in membership and SAATI made an enormous contribution to amateur digital communication. Of the original founding members, only Ams, ZS6YV, and Marten, ZS6ZY, are still active members.

HAMNET GAUTENG SOUTH CHALLENGE 2012 WINNERS ANNOUNCED

On 7 October 2012 HAMNET members participated in the 2012 HAMNET Gauteng South Challenge. Members were required to show skills in operating field stations using multiple modes and multiple bands.

The winners were: Glynn Chamberlain, ZS6GLN Pieter Searle, ZS6PHS Celeste Searle, ZS6CNS

These radio amateurs received 2 x Handheld Radios and a set of DSP headphones. Thank you to their sponsors, Leon ZS6LMG, Marc, ZS6MDH, and Bato, ZS6BAT. Prizes were valued at R4000-00 in total. Marc, ZS6MDH, also sponsored the 2012 HAMNET GS Shield. Thanks Marc.

At the last HAMNET Gauteng South community service event on 25 October 2012 the following members received certificates: Leon Lessing, ZS6LMG Johan Meyer, ZS6DMX Martin Nortman, ZS6TMN Mina Nortman, ZS6MNT Koos van der Merwe, ZS6JPY Willem van der Merwe, ZS6WIM Bato Jakovljevic, ZS6BAT Ivan Pleho, ZS6IVP Hennie Rudman, ZS6RHL Silas Lesejane, ZS6YFH Mpho Mzangwe, ZS6NEO

Congratulations to them all.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. All current visible sunspot regions remain stable and once active Sunspot 1 598 is in a state of decay.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 77.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. 10 m openings will be more frequent due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS

3 November - RaDAR Contest, 12:00 to 18:00 UTC. 18 November - Log sheets for the RaDAR Contest to be in to Lichtenberg Amateur Radio Club (LARK), PO Box 410, Lichtenburg, 2740 or by email to zs6lrk@nwinternet.za.org. 17 November - SARL National Field Day will take place between 10:00 UTC on Saturday 17 November and 10:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission

on Mondays at 18:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

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2125. [RAC-Bulletin] [EMCOMM]: WOCN31 CWHX 271745,Tropical cyclone information statementupdated by the Canadian,Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada,At 2:57 PMADT Saturday 27 October 2012

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WOCN31 CWHX 271745
Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the Canadian
Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada
At 2:57 PM ADT Saturday 27 October 2012

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Nova Scotia
Prince Edward Island
New Brunswick
Southern Quebec
Southern Ontario.

For hurricane Sandy.

The next statement will be issued by 9:00 PM ADT.

Hurricane Sandy will be reaching the East Coast of the united
States on Monday. While the most severe conditions will
Affect Northeastern United States, wide-ranging and
Signigicant impacts are expected across parts of eastern
Canada.

==discussion==
1. Summary of basic information at 3.00 PM ADT.

Location: 29.5north 75.7west about 440 kilometres northeast of
Freeport Bahamas.

Maximum sustained winds: 120 km/h.

Present movement: north-northeast 15 km/h

Minimum central pressure: 958 MB

2. Public weather impacts and warnings summary.

Hurricane Sandy is currently north of the Bahamas and is moving
north-northeastward. Although Sandy briefly weakened to a
Tropical storm earlier today maximum sustained winds associated
With it have increased to 120 km/h bringing Sandy back to hurricane
status. During the weekend Sandy is forecast to continue to track
north or northeastward while remaining at hurricane strength. Sandy
will gradually lose some of its tropical characteristics and on

Monday it is expected to take an uncharacteristic turn to the northwest and begin interacting with an approaching trough from the west.

Current indications from various weather models are that Sandy could strengthen before moving inland on the United States East Coast in the vicinity of Delaware late Monday as a very large and powerful storm. It is important to remember that impacts will cover a large area well away from the center. There are various factors Influencing the evolution of the storm and as a result there is Still some degree of uncertainty with respect to the magnitude of The impacts from the storm. For this reason people living in these areas are urged to pay close attention to messages from the Canadian Hurricane Centre and local weather forecasts and possible future warnings throughout the weekend.

A. Rainfall.

Based on the current forecast scenario, Southern and Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec are likely to see the most rainfall from this system with total amounts by Tuesday evening possibly reaching the 50 to 100 millimetre range which would be typical for post-tropical weather systems. However since post-tropical Sandy will be interacting with a stalled front over Ontario, localised heavier rainfall amounts of over 100 mm are possible over areas adjacent To Lake Ontario northward to Algonquin Park.

Heavy rain could also affect other parts of Quebec with amounts of 20 mm likely. At this time, the probability of rainfall amounts exceeding 25 mm for these areas is around 40%. Heavier rain is expected over the Maritimes and amounts in this area could exceed 50 mm.

The precipitation could mix with or turn into snow over parts of South-Central Ontario and extreme Western Quebec as temperatures approach the freezing mark north and west of the storm. A Significant snowfall event could occur over Central Ontario.

B. Winds.

Most areas of Southern Ontario will be subject to very windy conditions with possible severe gusts in excess of 100 km/h especially along Western Lake Ontario and the Niagara Escarpment. These gusts could cause broken tree limbs or in some cases uprooted trees which may result in downed utility lines. Residual falling leaves can also obstruct storm water drainage systems along roadways particularly in urban areas. This combined with heavy rainfall could increase the risk of flooding in some areas.

Very strong northeast winds will also affect eastern and Western Quebec. There is a good probability of wind gusts exceeding 90 Km/h. Gusty winds can also be expected in the Maritimes especially Monday night.

C. Waves.

There will be a risk for large waves along the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia especially along the south shore as wave activity begins to increase Monday into Tuesday. These large waves could produce pounding surf conditions.

3. Marine weather impacts and warnings summary.

Gale force winds are expected to spread to Canadian waters well in advance of Sandy reaching the United States coastline. Gales are expected on Monday over the Great Lakes, the St Lawrence seaway and western Maritimes marine waters. There is a possibility of storm force winds over southwestern marine areas of the Maritimes and on the Great Lakes.

Also, higher than normal water levels are expected on the st Lawrence River during high tide Monday evening and especially Tuesday evening. This could result in coastal flooding in the Quebec City region.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the latest:

- forecast position, central pressure table.

- strength and predicted wind radii table.

- hurricane track information map.

- technical discussion.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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FXCN31 CWHX 271800
TROPICAL CYCLONE TECHNICAL INFORMATION STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA AT 2.55 PM ADT SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 2012.

THE NEXT STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED BY 9.00 PM ADT

1. CURRENT POSITION, STRENGTH, CENTRAL PRESSURE AND MOTION

AT 3.00 PM ADT, HURRICANE SANDY WAS LOCATED NEAR LATITUDE 29.5 N AND LONGITUDE 75.7 W, ABOUT 238 NAUTICAL MILES OR 440 KM NORTHEAST OF FREEPORT. MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS ARE ESTIMATED AT 65 KNOTS (120 KM/H) AND CENTRAL PRESSURE AT 958 MB. SANDY IS MOVING NORTH-NORTHEAST AT 8 KNOTS (15 KM/H).

2. FORECAST POSITION, CENTRAL PRESSURE AND STRENGTH

DATE TIME LAT LON MSLP MAX WIND
ADT MB KTS KMH
OCT 27 3.00 PM 29.5N 75.7W 958 65 120

OCT 28 3.00 AM 31.3N 74.2W 955 65 120
OCT 28 3.00 PM 33.2N 72.8W 950 65 120
OCT 29 3.00 AM 35.3N 72.0W 950 70 130
OCT 29 3.00 PM 37.2N 73.2W 955 65 120
OCT 30 3.00 AM 38.9N 75.8W 960 60 111
OCT 30 3.00 PM 40.0N 77.1W 968 50 93 POST-TROPICAL
OCT 31 3.00 AM 40.5N 77.4W 975 45 83 POST-TROPICAL
OCT 31 3.00 PM 41.5N 77.3W 980 40 74 POST-TROPICAL
NOV 01 3.00 AM 43.0N 77.0W 985 35 65 POST-TROPICAL

3. TECHNICAL DISCUSSION

A. ANALYSIS

HURRICANE SANDY CONTINUES TO HAVE INTENSE CONVECTION NEAR AND TO THE WEST AND NORTHWEST OF THE CENTRE. BUOY B41010 ABOUT 90 NAUTICAL MILES SOUTHWEST OF THE CENTRE CONTINUES TO MEASURE NORTHERLY GUSTS TO HURRICANE FORCE IN THIS DEEP CONVECTION. SFMR AND DROPSONDE DATA INDICATE A LARGE AREA OF 55 KNOT WINDS IN THIS CONVECTION TO THE WEST AS WELL. WATER VAPOUR IMAGERY STILL SHOWS DRY AIR IN THE MID AND UPPER LEVELS WELL WITHIN THE CIRCULATION TO THE SOUTH AND EAST OF SANDY'S CENTRE.

SANDY TOOK A WOBBLE TO THE EAST THIS MORNING BUT THE LONGER TERM MOTION IS ESTIMATED AT 030 DEGREES AT 8 KNOTS. AIRCRAFT RECONNAISSANCE DATA THIS MORNING INDICATED THAT SANDY HAD REGAINED HURRICANE STRENGTH. IN ADDITION THE WIND
FIELD CONTINUES TO GET LARGER AS MEASURED BY THE AIRCRAFT DATA AND BUOY B41010.

B. PROGNOSTIC

GLOBAL MODELS ARE IN GOOD AGREEMENT FOR SANDY TO ACCELERATE NORTHEASTWARD TONIGHT AHEAD OF A DEEP LAYER TROUGH MOVING INTO THE EASTERN UNITED STATES. A SHORTWAVE TROUGH IS EXPECTED TO MOVE THROUGH THIS
DEEP LAYER TROUGH LATE SUNDAY AND CAUSE SANDY TO TAKE A TURN TO THE NORTHWEST TOWARD THE US EAST COAST. SANDY IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN AT OR NEAR HURRICANE STRENGTH UNTIL MONDAY. PHASE SPACE PROGNOSIS INDICATES THAT ALTHOUGH SANDY WILL BE RECEIVING BAROCLINIC INFLUENCE FROM THE WEST, THE STORM WILL MAINTAIN A WARM CORE UNTIL IT MOVES INLAND. LATE MONDAY NIGHT OR EARLY TUESDAY MORNING SANDY IS EXPECTED TO GO INLAND AS A LARGE POWERFUL CYCLONE WHILE BECOMING POST-TROPICAL.

ON TUESDAY, GLOBAL MODELS INDICATE THAT POST-TROPICAL SANDY WILL BECOME CAPTURED BY THE UPPER TROUGH AS IT MOVES FARTHER INLAND IN THE UNITED STATES. POST-TROPICAL SANDY IS THEN EXPECTED TO WEAKEN AND MOVE SLOWLY NORTH-NORTHEASTWARD, REACHING SOUTHERN ONTARIO BY THURSDAY MORNING. THE REMNANTS OF SANDY WILL BE GREATLY WEAKENED AND WILL THEN SLOWLY MOVE NORTHEASTWARD WITH THE UPPER LOW. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE BIGGEST IMPACTS IN CANADA FROM SANDY WILL OCCUR WELL BEFORE THE CENTRE MOVES INTO CANADA. IN FACT THE STORM WILL LIKELY BE GREATLY

WEAKENED BEFORE ENTERING CANADA.

VERY STRONG WINDS AND AREAS OF HEAVY RAIN ARE EXPECTED IN PARTS OF
SOUTHERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC LATE MONDAY AND TUESDAY AS POST-TROPICAL
SANDY APPROACHES. FARTHER NORTH AND WEST SOME SNOW IS LIKELY
ESPECIALLY OVER HIGHER ELEVATIONS. IN ADDITION, GUSTY WINDS AND RAIN
CAN BE EXPECTED IN PARTS OF THE MARITIMES ON TUESDAY AS A BAND OF RAIN
MOVES NORTHWARD WELL TO THE NORTHEAST OF SANDY'S CENTRE.

C. PREDICTED WIND RADII (NM)

TIME GALES STORMS HURRICANE
NE SE SW NW NE SE SW NW NE SE SW NW
27/18Z 390 225 205 280 40 55 135 130 0 0 90 30
28/06Z 375 285 270 280 65 110 150 150 0 0 90 90
28/18Z 360 315 300 300 85 135 160 160 0 30 90 90
29/06Z 360 345 315 330 110 155 175 170 0 30 90 90
29/18Z 360 360 280 250 140 170 130 130 0 30 50 50
30/06Z 360 360 175 100 180 190 50 50 0 0 0 0
30/18Z 360 360 120 100 100 100 0 0 0 0 0 0
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2126. eHam.net News for Saturday 27 October 2012

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eHam.net News

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Radio Club, Scouts Use Ham Radio:

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29219

The Third Saturday in October has lost its luster in recent years, as the Vols have lost the past six games against Alabama. For UT's Amateur Radio Club, however, The Third Saturday in October has a different meaning. Every year, the Boy and Girl Scouts of America participate in the "Jamboree-on-the-Air" on October's third Saturday, a chance for members to contact other scouts around the globe. They also gain experience with amateur radio, known commonly as ham radio. A handful of students and an alumna were on hand to help the scouts learn the basics of two-way radio communication. "We presented a class to them about amateur radio, and how to use the radio," Bobbie Williams, the advisor and call trustee for the club, said. "Following the class we let them talk on the radio using several different frequencies." With two different radios set up, the club had access to both short range and long range frequencies. Williams said that the new amateur radio buffs were able to make contact with other scouts, despite poor weather conditions. They enjoyed a chance to surf the airwaves, almost to the point of exhaustion. "They had a blast, one of them was so tired he just about fell asleep," Williams laughed.

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Amateur Radio Operators Help Others Weather the Storm:

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29218

BELVIDERE (WREX) - People along the east coast prepare for the affects of Hurricane Sandy. Wind, snow, and rain could all be part of the picture. But even folks not affected by the storm's big waves, hundreds of miles away, stand by with radio waves, to help. Jim Hollich retired recently. Now that he has more time to tinker, he spends a lot of it in his basement, not watching sports or working on his car, but listening and communicating on his radio. "It's a way of developing new friendships," Jim Hollich says. It's a method of communication and depending on propagation, you could speak to anyone in the world." He's part of the Big Thunder Amateur Radio Club, a group of guys who make it a hobby to offer two-way communication to people at other amateur radio stations. In emergencies, they offer their ears to people who might need help. "If somebody in a hurricane-struck area was only able to reach my station, what they would ask me to do is they

would ask me to relay a message to another station that they weren't able to get to," Hollich says.

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Hams to Broadcast Worldwide from Boca Grande:

Posted: 26 Oct 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29217

The Port Boca Grande Lighthouse Museum and its sister range light on Gasparilla Island will gain worldwide broadcast exposure from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 3. "The objective is to activate two historical lighthouses on air and communicate all over the world promoting the Boca Grande lighthouses," said Bill Franklin of the American Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society. Franklin said his operators also will demonstrate how amateur radio communications can be set up in the field for any situation. There's no power at the range light location in southern Gasparilla Island. Picnic tables with canopy and restrooms are available. The Port Boca Grande Lighthouse Museum has power, restrooms and gazebo available.

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Press Release: HRD Announces Windows 8 Compatibility:

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29216

Microsoft released Windows 8 and the Ham Radio Deluxe owners want all the users to know that the current release of Ham Radio Deluxe (5.24.26) as well as the beta 6.0 version (build 54) is compatible with Windows 8.

2127. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 27 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Falmouth schoolchildren ham it up with astronaut - Cape Cod Times
(subscription)

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Falmouth schoolchildren ham it up with astronaut
Cape Cod Times (subscription)
As the clock neared 1:40 p.m., the time the space station was expected to hover between horizons, Shawn Reed of the Falmouth Amateur Radio Association sat at a microphone rigged to a ham radio at the front of the cafeteria, trying to initiate contact ...

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Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School - STLtoday.com

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGIagSmFEqXyv0ytQysIEZlU5LUQ&url=http://www.stltoday.com/suburban-journals/stcharles/education/ham-radio-back-in-style-at-st-charles-high-school/article_6d9d50cc-6fe7-5466-aa31-eba38bf0dc03.html

Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School
STLtoday.com
Senior Sean Basler, whose 16-year-old sister Jesse is also in the club, said he became interested in amateur radio for a practical reason. "In an emergency, ham radio is probably the best form of communication there is," he said. Ham radios can operate ...

2128. [RAC-Bulletin] WOCN31 CWHX 280545,Tropical cyclone information statement updatedby the Canadian,Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 2:54 AM ADT Sunday,28October 2012.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-28 07:11:41 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
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WOCN31 CWHX 280545
Tropical cyclone information statement updated by the Canadian
Hurricane Centre of Environment Canada at 2:54 AM ADT Sunday
28 October 2012.

Tropical cyclone information statement for:
Nova Scotia
New Brunswick
Southern Quebec
Southern Ontario.

For hurricane Sandy.

The next statement will be issued by 9:00 AM ADT.

Hurricane Sandy to transition to large and dangerous
Post-tropical cyclone on Monday. Parts of Maritimes as well as
Southern Ontario and Quebec will feel some far-reaching effects
From post-tropical storm Sandy later on Monday and Tuesday.

Tropical cyclone information statement ended for:
Prince Edward Island.

==discussion==
1. Summary of basic information at 3.00 AM ADT.

Location: 31.5 north 73.7 west about 450 kilometres south-southeast
of Cape Hatteras.

Maximum sustained winds: 120 km/h.

Present movement: northeast 22 km/h.

Minimum central pressure: 960 MB.

2. Public weather impacts and warnings summary.

Hurricane Sandy is currently moving northeastward well southeast of
Cape Hatteras. Sandy is forecast to continue to this track today
then gradually transition into a large and intense post-tropical
cyclone on Monday as it turns toward the northwest. It is possible
that this interaction could intensify the storm slightly further -

even after transitioning into a post-tropical system - prior to moving inland somewhere along the New Jersey coast late Monday night or Tuesday morning.

It is important to emphasize that impacts from post-tropical Sandy will extend over a large area well away from the storm center. In additon there are still various factors that could influence the evolution of the storm and as a result there is still some degree of uncertainty with respect to the magnitude of the potential impacts from the storm over Canadian territory. For this reason people living in these areas are urged to pay close attention to messages from the Canadian Hurricane Centre as well as forecasts from Regional storm prediction centres in the possible event of future weather warnings.

Additional information on potential impacts in Ontario and Quebec Can be found in the wocn11 special weather statement issued by The Ontario storm prediction centre, and in the wocn10 special weather statement issued by the Quebec storm prediction centre.

A. Rainfall.

Based on the current forecast scenario, rain from post-tropical Sandy won't begin to affect Canadian territory until later Monday night or Tuesday morning. Southern and Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec are likely to see the most rainfall from this system with total amounts by Tuesday evening possibly reaching the 50 to 100 millimetre range which would be typical for post-tropical Weather systems. However since post-tropical Sandy will be interacting with a stalled front over Ontario, localised heavier rainfall amounts of over 100 millimetres are possible over areas adjacent to Lake Ontario northward to Algonquin Park.

Heavy rain could also affect other parts of Quebec with amounts of 20 millimetres likely. At this time, the probability of rainfall amounts exceeding 25 millimetres for these areas is around 40%. Heavier rain is expected over the Maritimes and amounts in this area could exceed 50 millimetres.

The precipitation could mix with or turn into snow over parts of South-Central Ontario and extreme Western Quebec as temperatures approach the freezing mark north and west of the storm.
A significant snowfall event could result over Central Ontario.

The Maritimes will likely see significant rainfall late Monday night and Tuesday - and possibly lingering into Wednesday - from an evolving frontal system wrapping around the large upper-level circulation from post-tropical Sandy.

B. Winds.

Most areas of Southern Ontario will be subject to very windy conditions with possible severe gusts in excess of 100 km/h

especially along Western Lake Ontario and the Niagara Escarpment. These gusts could cause broken tree limbs or in some cases uprooted trees which may result in downed utility lines. Residual falling leaves can also obstruct storm water drainage systems along roadways particularly in urban areas. This combined with heavy rainfall could increase the risk of flooding in some areas.

Very strong northeast winds will also affect eastern and Western Quebec. There is a good probability of wind gusts exceeding 90 km/h. Gusty winds can also be expected in the Maritimes especially Monday night.

C. Waves.

Large waves are very likely over portions of the Great Lakes beginning late Monday and into Tuesday. High seastates up to 6 Metres are likely over Southern Lake Huron.

There will be a risk for large waves and pounding surf along the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia especially along the south shore as wave activity begins to increase beginning late Monday and peaks On Tuesday. These large waves could produce pounding surf conditions and the possibility of locally elevated water levels.

3. Marine weather impacts and warnings summary.

Gale force winds extend several hundred kilometres outward from The center of Sandy's circulation and are expected to spread to Canadian waters well in advance of Sandy reaching the United States coastline. The Ontario storm prediction centre has issued gale warnings for many parts of the Southern Great Lakes for Monday. The Atlantic storm prediction centre has issued gale warnings for western maritime marine waters for Monday as well. There is a possibility of storm force winds over these areas overnight Monday Or Tuesday.

Also, higher than normal water levels are expected on the St Lawrence River during high tide Monday evening and especially Tuesday evening. This could result in coastal flooding in the Quebec City region.

Visit weatheroffice.Gc.Ca/hurricane (all in lower case) for the latest:

- forecast position, central pressure table.

- strength and predicted wind radii table.

- hurricane track information map.

- technical discussion.

Please also refer to the public and marine forecasts and warnings issued by Environment Canada for your area.

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FXCN31 CWHX 280600
TROPICAL CYCLONE TECHNICAL INFORMATION STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE
CANADIAN HURRICANE CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENT CANADA AT 2.55 AM ADT
SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER 2012.

THE NEXT STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED BY 9.00 AM ADT

1. CURRENT POSITION, STRENGTH, CENTRAL PRESSURE AND MOTION

AT 3.00 AM ADT, HURRICANE SANDY WAS LOCATED NEAR LATITUDE 31.5 N AND
LONGITUDE 73.7 W, ABOUT 244 NAUTICAL MILES OR 452 KM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST
OF CAPE HATTERAS. MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS ARE ESTIMATED AT 65 KNOTS
(120 KM/H) AND CENTRAL PRESSURE AT 960 MB. SANDY IS MOVING NORTHEAST
AT 12 KNOTS (22 KM/H).

2. FORECAST POSITION, CENTRAL PRESSURE AND STRENGTH

DATE TIME LAT LON MSLP MAX WIND
ADT MB KTS KMH
OCT 28 3.00 AM 31.5N 73.7W 960 65 120
OCT 28 3.00 PM 33.2N 72.1W 959 65 120
OCT 29 3.00 AM 35.2N 71.3W 957 65 120
OCT 29 3.00 PM 37.9N 71.3W 955 70 130 POST-TROPICAL
OCT 30 3.00 AM 39.9N 73.4W 958 65 120 POST-TROPICAL
OCT 30 3.00 PM 40.5N 75.8W 964 55 102 POST-TROPICAL
OCT 31 3.00 AM 41.0N 76.9W 970 45 83 POST-TROPICAL
OCT 31 3.00 PM 43.1N 77.0W 978 35 65 POST-TROPICAL
NOV 01 3.00 AM 44.8N 77.7W 982 30 56 POST-TROPICAL
NOV 01 3.00 PM 47.0N 77.2W 982 25 46 POST-TROPICAL

3. TECHNICAL DISCUSSION

A. ANALYSIS

DESPITE LOTS OF DRY AIR WATER WRAPPING AROUND THE SOUTHERN AND EASTERN
SIDES OF SANDY'S LARGE CIRCULATION CENTRE, THERE HAS STILL BEEN A FEW
BURSTS OF CONVECTION NEAR SANDY'S CENTER DURING THE NIGHT, AND LATEST
AIRCRAFT RECONAISSANCE DATA INDICATES THE UPPER LEVEL CIRCULATION HAS
STRENGTHENED SOMEWHAT SINCE YESTERDAY. HOWEVER, INTENSITY IS
MAINTAINED AT 65 KNOTS FOR NOW WITH A MEASURED CENTRAL PRESSURE OF 960
MB. CURRENT MOTION IS TOWARD THE NORTHEAST AT 12 KNOTS. SURFACE
OBSERVATIONS ALREADY INDICATE AN UNUSUALLY LARGE RADIUS OF GALE AND
STORM FORCE WINDS EXTENDING OUTWARD SEVERAL HUNDERED MILES IN MOST
DIRECTIONS FROM THE CIRCULATION CENTRE, AND WIND RADII HAVE BEEN
ADJUSTED TO TRY AND REFLECT THIS.

B. PROGNOSTIC

NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO PREVIOUS TRACK OR PHILOSOPHY. THERE IS
STILL A POSSIBILITY SANDY COULD INTENSIFY SLIGHTLY OVER THE NEXT 12 TO
24 HOURS AS ENVIRONMENTAL SHEAR COULD DECREASE SOMEHWAT WHILE UPPER
LEVEL DIVERGENCE REMAINS GENERALLY FAVOURABLE. MOST GLOBAL DYNAMICAL
MODELS ARE STILL IN GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR SANDY TO CONTINUE A
NORTHEASTWARD TODAY AHEAD OF A DEEP LAYER TROUGH MOVING INTO THE

EASTERN UNITED STATES. THEREAFTER, THIS TROUGH WILL INTERACT WITH AN UPPER LEVEL RIDGE TO THE NORTHEAST WHICH SHOULD CAUSE SANDY TO TAKE A TURN TO THE NORTHWEST TOWARD THE US EAST COAST. PHASE SPACE PROGNOSIS INDICATES THAT SANDY WILL REMAIN A WARM CORE SYSTEM TODAY BUT IS EXPECTED TO COMPLETE EXTRA-TROPICAL TRANSITION BY MONDAY AFTERNOON BEFORE GOING INLAND AS A VERY LARGE AND POWERFUL POST-TROPICAL SYSTEM.

ON TUESDAY, GLOBAL MODELS INDICATE THAT POST-TROPICAL SANDY WILL BECOME CAPTURED BY THE UPPER TROUGH AND BEGIN TO WEAKEN CONSIDERABLY AS IT MOVES FARTHER INLAND OVER THE NORTHEASTERN UNITED STATES. IT IS HERE WHERE THERE IS SOME DISAGREEMENT IN THE MODEL GUIDANCE, WITH THE GEM-GLOBAL SHOWING A FASTER NORTHWESTWARD TRACK TOWARD THE GREAT LAKES FOLLOWED BY A REDEVELOPMENT TOWARD THE NORTHEAST, WHILE THE GFS CURVES THE SYSTEM TOWARD THE SOUTHWEST BEFORE LOOPING A MUCH WEAKER SYSTEM NORTHWARD INTO ONTARIO ON WEDNESDAY. CONFIDENCE IN THE TRACK OF POST-TROPICAL SANDY ONCE ITS INLAND ON TUESDAY AND BEYOND IS RATHER LOW AT THIS POINT.

C. PREDICTED WIND RADII (NM)

TIME	GALES				STORMS				HURRICANE			
	NE	SE	SW	NW	NE	SE	SW	NW	NE	SE	SW	NW
28/06Z	380	350	350	320	250	250	250	250	55	65	95	90
28/18Z	390	355	350	320	250	250	250	250	70	100	115	100
29/06Z	400	360	350	320	270	250	225	225	80	120	120	100
29/18Z	430	360	350	320	300	250	225	200	75	100	100	90
30/06Z	420	350	330	300	270	200	175	150	35	40	40	40
30/18Z	330	270	200	180	120	120	100	80	0	0	0	0
31/06Z	200	160	120	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31/18Z	120	120	90	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
01/06Z	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
01/18Z	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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2129. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 28 October 2012

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Hector Martinez CO6CBF speaks at AMSAT Symposium

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Thanks to the efforts of Patrick Stoddard WD9EWK/VA7EWK and other AMSAT members, Hector Martinez CO6CBF was able to attend the AMSAT Symposium in Orlando, Florida

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New range of telescopic aluminium tubing - perfect for building your own antenna

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Antenna Engineering is now offering a new range of telescopic aluminium tubing ideal for custom building your own antennas

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Ahmedabad students hope for Amateur Radio contact with ISS Commander

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About 500 students hope to have a live amateur radio contact with the Commander of the International Space Station Sunita Williams KD5PLB

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F-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat update

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Despite many efforts from the amateur radio community and the team ourselves in tracking F-1, we still haven’t heard from F-1 other than a few uncertain reports during the first few days

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vwtEUwzFAq0/october_28.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is at moderate levels. All current visible sunspot regions remain stable and once active Sunspot 1 598 is in a state of decay

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Petition to save RCI Sackville from being dismantled

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0FfjY9HerLU/rci_sackville_petition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Thomas Witherspoon K4SWL has launched a petition to save Radio Canada International's Sackville site from being dismantled

2130. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-063E - *Hurricane Sandy heading our way*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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*RAC Bulletin 2012-063E - *Hurricane Sandy heading our way**
2012-10-28

Hurricane Sandy lies 535 kms south of Cape Hatteras with sustained winds of 120 kms per hour and is travelling NW. Tuesday morning Sandy is expected to make landfall in the eastern US as a large powerful cyclone, but before entering southern Ontario late Tuesday, it is expected to be significantly weakened. That said, folks in Southern and Eastern Ontario need to prepare for high winds and rain.

During this time operators are encouraged to monitor all IARU center of activity frequencies (COA) and the RAC HF Emergency Communications Frequencies. As well, while monitoring local repeaters, please be extra vigilant in case your assistance is needed. Hopefully this storm will pass with no significant impact.

73,

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
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2131. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 28th October 2012

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Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 28th October 2012

Echo Ireland

The October issue of Echo Ireland, the IRTS journal, includes photos and reports from a number of recent portable operations - the Limerick Radio Club's activation of Loop Head Lighthouse, SSB Field Day in Garbally, the Galway Radio Experimenters Club trip to Inisbofin and the activation of "Achill Henge" by Galway VHF Group. Steve EI5DD explains how portable operation in parts of the West of Ireland can be difficult because of the absence of trees to use as antenna supports; he suggests that this difficulty can be overcome by using a kite-supported antenna and describes how this can be achieved.

Also in the latest journal is a report by Ger EI4GXB on his participation, along with a number of Shortwave Listeners, in the Youngsters On The Air event in Belgium and, speaking of youngsters, John EI6AH, who recently celebrated his 88th birthday, is also featured. Other articles include "Fun with QRP" by John EI2HVB along with the regular "HF Happenings" with DX news and "Excerpts from the HF Files" which describes another ATV project.

EI1DRC

Jason, EI6GRB writes to state that he operated EI1DRC as a scout station whilst in Raphoe, County Donegal, last weekend. He has also written a blog and this can be viewed at http://ei6grb.com/?p=118.

South Dublin Radio Club

This Tuesday 30th of October Chris G0FDZ will be giving a talk on the UK VHF beacon GB3VHF http://www.gb3vhf.co.uk at south Dublin radio club.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place on Wednesday the 7th of November in Raheen House Hotel,Raheen Road, Clonmel at 8:30 pm all are welcome.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, EI7DAR

Radio Theory Classes will commence Monday 5th November at DAR Society premises 'Larkin House', 113, Castletown Road, Dundalk, for preparation to sit the radio theory exam early in 2013. Tuition places are strictly limited and intending candidates are encouraged to enrol at the earliest opportunity. Tuition will involve approximately 20 weeks class attendance and an investment of 100 is required. Open nights to find out more information and to enrol on the course will be held October 31st and on November 5th, the start of the classes. All are welcome to enrol. More information from www.ei7dar.com or secretary at ei7dar dot com.

New Zealand hope to get 50-51Mhz

New Zealand Radio Amateurs hope to get back the bottom end of 6m band when channel 1 Tv completely shuts down in November 2013.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2132. eHam.net News for Sunday 28 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-28 22:40:32 UTC
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eHam.net News

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Ahmedabad Students to Make 'Space Call' to Sunita Williams:

Posted: 27 Oct 2012 06:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29222

AHMEDABAD: Amid Diwali fireworks, a group of students in Gujarat will reach out to the stars. For the first time in India, about 500 students will have a live chat with Sunita Williams, the Indian-origin astronaut aboard International Space Station, through Ham radio set-up at Science City in Ahmedabad.

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Ham Radio Operators on Standby for Hurricane Sandy:

Posted: 27 Oct 2012 06:06 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29221

NEW HANOVER COUNTY, NC (WECT) - People are on standby in the event surrounding counties have a complete communication failure. Ham radio operators are ready to hit the airwaves if Sandy hits our area hard. If the power is knocked out by the hurricane, routers won't work and there won't be wireless internet for cell phones to power off of so that's why it is important to have ham radios. "When communication lines are severed we are the people who come in and assist the county and governments in communications," said ham radio operator Bill Morine.

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Hurricane Watch Net Resumes:

Posted: 27 Oct 2012 11:29 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29220

The Hurricane Watch Net will resume operation
as Sandy impacts the East Coast. We will
handle reports for the National Hurricane
Center and we will also handle backup Amateur
Radio communications from emergency operating
centers and public safety locations. We
anticipate a high volume of report so we will
be operating on at least two bands
concurrently.

2133. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 28 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-29 02:16:13 UTC
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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F-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat update - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

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F-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat update
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Despite many efforts from the amateur radio community and the team ourselves in tracking F-1, we still havent heard from F-1 other than a few uncertain reports during the first few days. The team has been collecting information, analyzing different ...

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Amateur radio club to host scout troops - Lompoc Record

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 12:19 AM PDT
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Amateur radio club to host scout troops
Lompoc Record
Amateur radio club to host scout troops. The Satellite Amateur Radio Club will host several Central Coast Boy Scout troops at the clubs facility Saturday and Sunday at Vandenberg Air Force Base. As in prior years, the club will provide licensed ...

2134. SUPER HOT VIDEOS N BULK SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-29 05:06:57 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
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2135. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 29 October 2012

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Mobile weather for emergencies

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A free session on the Mobile Emergency Weather Station (MEWS) is available
to those who will be attending the Global Amateur Radio Emergency
Conference (MYGAREC) in Malaysia

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ARISS contact with Southern Tier Catholic and Archbishop Walsh Academy,
Olean, NY, on Echolink and IRLP

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Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the
Southern Tier Catholic and Archbishop Walsh Academy, Olean, NY on Tuesday
October 30th. Acquisition of Signal (AOS) is scheduled for 16:16 UTC

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Reception of Ham Radio APRS via the ISS

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Robert Broughton M6GLD has made this video showing reception of amateur
radio APRS signals from the International Space Station

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Priroda Refuge Antarctica

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ozO9dd-ziCU/priroda_refuge_antarctica.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

RI1ANF/P is quite often active from the Russian Priroda Refuge (WAP
RUS-15), not too far away from Bellingshausen Base on South Shetlands

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International Short Wave League (I.S.W.L.) Club Callsigns

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The International Short Wave League Club Callsigns in use throughout the
month of November 2012

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Falmouth schoochildren ham it up with astronaut

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100 students fell silent in the East Falmouth Elementary School cafeteria
Friday afternoon as third-grader Andrew Carette started a conversation with
someone hundreds of miles away

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Yap Island Micronesia

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Haru, JA1XGI will be active as V63XG from Yap Island (OC-012) between
December 5-12th

2136. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 28 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 28 October 2012

The news headlines:

Queen's Diamond Jubilee and Olympics QSO Parties

RSGB Extraordinary General Meeting, 17 November 2012

AMSAT-UK delivers FUNcube-2 boards

Certificates have been dispatched for both of the QSO Parties that were formed around the use of the special prefixes this summer. 32 certificates were issued for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Award and 24 for the Olympic Award. They turned out to be quite challenging awards. Whilst QSOs were not that difficult as there were plenty of stations who wanted a QSO with one's special prefix, it was more challenging to find other Q or O stations to make up the required 100 contacts. The organisers hope that all those who took part enjoyed the event, even if they didn't make the requisite total to claim their certificate. Congratulations to the certificate recipients! The RSGB would like to thank Ian Pawson, G0FCT and Pete Lindsay, G4CLA, of the Contest Committee for facilitating the adjudication and to Kevin Williams, who designed the certificate.

RSGB Members should have received their copy of the November 2012 RadCom. Contained with in it are details of the EGM to be held on 17 November 2012 near Stratford, at which Members will be invited to vote on new governance arrangements for the Society. RSGB Members can vote electronically via the RSGB website, by post or in person at the EGM. The Board is very keen to ensure that the outcome of the EGM accurately reflects the view of the whole membership, and all Members are encouraged to cast their vote.

On 19 October, after some final testing and characterisation checks, Graham Shirville, G3VZV of AMSAT-UK handed over to Clyde Space Ltd of Glasgow the set of three PCBs that form the FUNcube-2 subsystem on the UKube-1 spacecraft. Clyde Space is leading the development and assembly of this CubeSat project for the UK Space Agency. FUNcube-2 on UKube-1 will provide a 435 to 145MHz linear transponder for amateur SSB and CW communications and telemetry for school students around the world. The UKube-1 spacecraft is expected to be launched on a Soyuz-2 launcher from Baikonur in Kazakhstan in March 2013.

Amateurs across New Zealand may have to wait a bit longer to get full access to the 6m band, currently in use by channel 1 television transmissions. The New Zealand national amateur radio society is working with the nation's Radio Spectrum Management on arrangements for the period between when all the Channel 1 transmitters are turned off, in November 2013, and their management right expires in 2015. In the meantime, any New Zealand amateur in an area where TV channel 1 is no longer operating can apply for a permit to operate on the band.

DARC, Germany's national amateur radio society will be asking the Deutsche Commission for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies to oppose a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard. Like the RSGB, DARC is concerned about the future ambitions of the manufacturers of other PLC products in the direction of higher limits for the emission of harmful electromagnetic or EMC interference. This could lead to a weakening of the previous limits in other European EMC standards.

Swedish amateurs are now allowed to use the full band of 1.85 to 2MHz with Secondary status, as well as the Primary amateur radio allocation of 1.81 to 1.85MHz. For many years Swedish amateurs were not allowed to use 1.85 to 1.93MHz.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 29 October 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. International Telecommunications Union members have agreed first-stage approval of a new Universal Power Adapter technical standard for devices such as modems, set-top boxes, home networking equipment and fixed telephones. The standard will complement ITU's very successful Universal Charging Solution for mobile devices enabling further energy savings, reductions in e-waste and enhanced consumer convenience by expanding the concept's application to the vast majority of ICT devices.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 28 October, sees the North Wales Rally taking place at John Bright School, Llandudno LL30 1LF. Opening from 10am to 4pm, admission is £4.50 and there are disabled facilities. There will be trade stands, a Bring and Buy, special interest groups and catering. Details from Gordon, MW0GBR 0773 3531 766, or online at www.nwrs.org.uk.

Sunday 4 November sees the Holsworthy Amateur Radio Rally taking place at Holsworthy Community College, Victoria Hill, Holsworthy EX22 6JD. For more information, send an e-mail to gsowter@talktalk.net.

Also on Sunday 4 October, the Foyle & District ARC Rally will be held in the White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Londonderry BT47 3PA. Doors open at 11.30am and there will be trade stands, special interest groups, an RSGB book stand and a Bring & Buy. More information from Philip Hosey, MI0MSO, by e-mail to mi0mso@yahoo.co.uk.

Now for the news of special events

On Saturday 3 November, GB50WVR will be aired for the last time. The station is celebrating 50 years of the Keighley & Worth Valley Railway Preservation Society. QSLs should be sent either direct to Pam, 2E1HQY or via the RSGB Bureau. More information can be found on qrz.com.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

LTZ0 will be active from Penguin Island, IOTA reference SA-087, off the coast of Perth, Western Australia, from 2 to 4 November. They will be operational on 10 to 80m using CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via LU7DSY.

N5ZO will be active from Ascension Island, IOTA reference AF-003, until 30 October as ZD8O. If you make contact, QSL via OH0XX.

5V7TH will be on the air from Togo until 5 November, using 6 to 40m SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via ON4CIT, bureau or direct. OQRS is available.

An international team will visit 6 islands belonging to Papua New Guinea until 14 November. On 28 and 29 October they will be using the callsign P29NI from Tatau, IOTA reference OC-099, then from 2 to 4 November it's P29VPB from Lihir, IOTA reference OC-069. These two callsigns QSL via G3KHZ.

Three Italian stations will be on the air from Praslin Island in the Seychelles, IOTA reference AF-024, until 4 November. They will use the calls S79UN, S79YY and S79LC. This is a holiday style operation and they hope to be on the 10 to 80m bands using CW, SSB and RTTY.

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This weekend sees the CQWW DX SSB Contest taking place, ending at 2359UTC today, 28 October. Using SSB on all contest bands from 3.5 © 28MHz, the exchange is signal report and Zone, which is 14 for the UK.

Tuesday 30 October sees the 70MHz UK Activity Contest taking place between 2000 and 2230UTC Using all modes on the band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The Marconi CW Contest is the first VHF event of November taking place over the weekend of the 3rd and 4th. There are 6- and 24-hour sections for Open and Single-op Fixed entries. Starting at 1400UTC on the 3rd and continuing until 1400UTC on the 4th, it's CW only on the 144MHz band with the exchange being signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 19th to Thursday the 25th of October, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 26th of October

Solar activity was moderate to high with an X1 class solar flare taking place early on the 23rd. This is the first X class solar flare since the 12th of July and is the sixth of the year. In total 3 M class flares and numerous C class solar flares took place. Solar flux levels increased from 141 units on the 19th to 156 by the 22nd, levels then gradually declined to 130 units by the 25th. The average was 143 units.

The 90 day solar flux average on the 25th was 122 units, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels peaked early in the period at B6.1 units on the 20th and then gradually declined to B3.8 by the 25th. The average was B5.4 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day. The quietest day was the 20th with an Ap index only 1 unit. On three days the Ap was 2 units. The most disturbed day was the 23rd with an Ap index of 6 units and the average for the period was 3 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 500 kilometres per second at the start of the period to 320 by the end. Particle densities were low every day and the Bz never varied more than minus 4 and plus 5 nanoTeslas. As they approached their autumn peak the HF bands were in good shape throughout, with some excellent openings on 10 metres.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This week the more active side of the Sun is expected to rotate out of view. Solar activity is expected to be predominately at low levels but there are still visible sunspot groups that could increase activity to moderate levels on some days. Solar flux levels should decline most days to around the 100 mark later in the week. Geomagnetic activity on the whole should be quiet, however, if a large solar flare and an associated Earth directed coronal mass ejection takes place then activity would increase. No coronal hole disturbances are expected. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 30MHz, or slightly higher on some days. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to India should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate will be around 29MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 13MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1000 and 1300 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday the Advanced course continues, and there's a free `n' easy evening on Tuesday. Friday sees the shack social, and there's a bonfire night special event next Saturday. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and on Friday there is a club net on GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

South Birmingham Radio Society is having an open meeting and ragchew on Monday. On Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 70MHz UK AC on Tuesday. Wednesday sees Brod Purdy, G4RPB, on his exploits as an RAF electronics officer in the Vulcan and Shackleton. The club repeater net is on 145.725MHz from 20.00 on Thursday and the Saturday surgery in the shack starts at 0900. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal evening. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday Central Radio Amateur Circle continues its Intermediate course via Skype. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a general meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday South Notts Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on SSTV by Robin, G4NDM. Contact Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is attending Derek's Halloween soup kitchen & social. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

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NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with clubs that have several events this week. South Manchester Radio and Computer Club has its monthly technical forum on Monday, then on Thursday it's the winter barbecue. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a visit on Thursday by RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW. Guests are welcome and the event

starts at 8pm. This could be your opportunity to ask Dave about the recent RSGB Governance proposals. The Intermediate licence course continues on Saturday. Details from Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Bolton Wireless Club takes an inside look at MediaCity Studios with the help of Colin, M0TVE. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a quiz or watching a video. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is continuing its tests with PSK31. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Sheila on old Morcambe. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having a Real Ale Night from 8pm at the Star Inn, Lockwood HD1 3PJ. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Thursday Bangor & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its annual surplus sale. Contact Mike, GI4XSF, on 02842 772 383.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having a hands-on experience of HF and VHF operating procedure plus information about IOTA. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on the radio & radar collection of the Aviation Preservation Society of Scotland. Contact Alan J Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

On Friday Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a normal club night. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Friday West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is doing project work & learning, then on Saturday there's a club night with talks, quiz and a raffle. Contact Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday and Saturday. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has its 10m net on 28.375MHz from 8.30pm on Tuesday. Saturday sees the proposed coach visit to Bletchley Park. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club has its monthly breakfast meeting at The Goring caf&#65533; today from 9am. On Wednesday GX3WOR is on the air. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society has its club net on GB3BZ. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and running a club net on GB3AL or GB3VA. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having an informal evening. More information from John, M0UKD, on 07890 222 111.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an informal meeting and Bright Sparks evening. The shack is open and the workshop is available. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is closed. Details form Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday Cray Valley Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and social evening. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by the high-altitude balloon team. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Don, G4LOO on military radios from the 1940s to the 1970s. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is holding its junk sale. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club is having a talk by Dr Chris Arridge on the Cassini mission to Saturn. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

On Friday Farnborough & District Radio Society is holding a net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

On Friday Thames Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on airliner maintenance by Mike Byrne, M0MMB. Contact Pete Sipple, M0PSX, on 07940

579 116.

On Friday Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on mechanical music by Ken Tythacott. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Saturday Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society commences its Intermediate course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its Monday HF net on 3.675MHz . The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 19:45 and on Thursday it's the 4m net on 70.425MHz from 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk on making more miles on VHF by David Butler, G4ASR. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a crystal sets evening. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club November is having a main meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM at the Burraton Community Centre from 7.45. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321, m0bhg@yahoo.co.uk

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club starts its Christmas raffle. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Poole Radio Society continues its Intermediate course and is having an activity night. Details from Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and running an 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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2137. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 22 - 28 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-29 15:30:08 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
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# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
22 - 28 October 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels. Activity was high
during 22 - 23 October due to two major flares from Region 1598
(S11, L=113, class/area Dki/420 on 23 October). The first was an
impulsive M5/1f at 22/1851 UTC and the second was an impulsive X1 at
23/0317 UTC associated with a Type II radio sweep and a 620 sfu
Tenflare. Region 1598 displayed a delta magnetic configuration
within its trailer spots during 23 - 27 October. It showed gradual
trailer spot decay beginning 24 October. Activity dropped to low
levels during 24 - 28 with low-level C-class flares, most of which
were from Regions 1598 and 1594 (S26, L=200, class/area Dao/090 on
16 October). Two Earth-directed coronal mass ejections (CMEs)
occurred on 27 October. The CMEs were closely spaced in time and
appeared to be associated with a B9/Sf flare at 27/1235 UTC from
Region 1598.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
high levels during most of the period with moderate levels observed
on 27 October.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels throughout the
period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
29 October - 24 November 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low during the period with a slight
chance for M-class flares during 29 October - 02 November and 15 -
24 November.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal to moderate levels during 29 October - 04
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November. High flux levels are expected during 05 - 24 November.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels during 29 - 30 October. An increase to quiet to unsettled levels is expected late on 31 October, with a chance for active levels, due to the arrival of the CMEs observed on 27 October. A further increase to active levels is expected on 01 November, with a chance for minor storm periods, as CME effects continue. Field activity is expected to decrease to unsetttled to active levels on 02 November as CME effects gradually subside and a coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS) begins to disturb the field. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to unsettled levels on 03 November as CH HSS effects subside. Quiet conditions are expected during 04 - 07 November. An increase to unsettled levels is predicted for 08 November, due to a solar sector boundary crossing followed by a co-rotating interaction region in advance of a CH HSS. A further increase to active levels is expected on 09 November, with a chance for minor storm periods, due to a CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to quiet to active levels on 10 November as CH HSS effects subside. Quiet levels are expected during 11 - 24 November.

2138. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 29 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-29 16:25:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: Hams Prepare for a Sand(y)Story

Posted: 28 Oct 2012 05:05 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366368-HamRadioNow-Hams-Prepare-for-a-Sand(y)Story&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 30: New Jersey Hams Prepare

for a Sand(y)Storm

As Hurricane Sandy lashes out at the East Coast from several hundred miles

out in the Atlantic (with a bullseye on New Jersey), Gary chats with ARRL

South New Jersey Section Emergency Coordinator John Zaruba K2ZA.

They were supposed to talk about what hams are doing to prepare for this

"Frankenstorm," but spent the better part of an hour on the state of

ham radio emcomm, generally how we need to be more digital. So if you still

havepower and Internet, watch this one and see what you think.

This is Gary's first full WireCast/Skype program! It went OK, but like ham
radio

emcomm, it needs some fine-tuning.

Watch this episode at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

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ANS-302 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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AMSAT Board Elects Senior Officers for 2012

Election of AMSAT's Senior Officers was one of the first orders of business to be settled once the AMSAT Board of Directors meeting opened on October 25, prior to the start of the 2012 AMSAT Space Symposium held in Orlando, Florida.

The following positions were voted upon and filled:

Barry Baines, WD4ASW PresidentDrew Glasbrenner, KO4MA Vice-President OperationsGould Smith, WA4SXM Vice President User ServicesTony Monteiro, AA2TX Vice-President EngineeringFrank Bauer, KA3HDO Vice-President Human SpaceflightMark Hammond, N8MH Vice-President Educational RelationsAlan Biddle, WA4SCA SecretaryKeith Baker, KB1SF/VA3KSF TreasurerMartha Saragovitz Manager

The following Senior Officer positions remained open at this time awaiting appointments:

Executive Vice PresidentVice-President Marketing

The AMSAT Board of Directors elected on September 15 include:

Barry Baines, WD4ASW; Alan Biddle, WA4SCA; Dr. Thomas A. Clark, K3IO; Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA; Lou McFadin, W5DID; Tony Monteiro, AA2TX; Gould Smith, WA4SXM; Mark Hammond, N8MH (Alternate); Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK (Alternate)

At the Board Meeting AMSAT Vice-President User Services Gould Smith, WA4SXM, announced the appointment of JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM as the Editor of the AMSAT Journal. JoAnne currently serves as the Senior Editor of the AMSAT News Service. She will make the transition to

the Journal effective immediately. Lee McLamb, KU4OS once again is assuming the role as the Senior Editor of the AMSAT News Service. The Board noted that volunteer positions remain open for both the Journal team and the AMSAT News Service team.

[ANS thanks the AMSAT Board of Directors for the above information]

Fox-1 Satellite in Development; Working on Partnerships for Launch

AMSAT Vice-President Engineering, Tony Monteiro, AA2TX presented the latest status on the design, development, and construction of the

Fox-1A satellite project. This is the 1U cubesat which is slated as the FM repeater transponder to replace AO-51.

Project ELaNa, NASA's "Educational Launch of NanoSat" managed by the Launch Services Program at the Kennedy Space Center, accepted the AMSAT Fox-1 cubesat into this educational launch initiative on its merits toward meeting NASA's strategic and educational goals.

AMSAT met the NASA goals by designing a satellite mission in support of education with amateur radio included:

The Fox family of cubesats are ham radio transponders that are designed to host science experiment payloads.AMSAT will partner with universities to develop these science and educational missions.When the university missions gain a launch for their primary scientific missions AMSAT's amateur radio transponder will also be aboard.After the primary science/education mission is completed the AMSAT transponder will become available full-time for amateur radio service.

AMSAT will work with NASA in a collaborative agreement where NASA will cover the integration and launch costs. In the meantime, AMSAT must still pay for the development costs of the cubesats and find talented volunteers to work on the design.

Fox-1A's design goals include:

Fox-1 is designed to operate in sunlight without batteries once the battery system fails. This applies lessons learned from AO-51 and ARISSat-1 operations.In case of IHU computer failure Fox-1 will continue to operate its FM repeater in a basic, 'zombie sat' mode, so that the repeater remains on-the-air.Fox-1 is designed as the immediate replacement for AO-51. Its U/V (Mode B) transponder will make it even easier to work with modest

equipment.From the ground user's perspective, the same FM amateur radio equipment used for AO-51 may be used for Fox-1.

Fox-1 continues AMSAT's long record of success as an all-volunteer organization providing access to space communications for students in a curriculum setting as well the private citizen.

AMSAT's Fox-1 project timeline is based on targeting a launch in the second half of 2013. NASA will determine on which flight each of the Project ELaNa CubeSats fly.

Watch for news in the AMSAT Journal for details of AMSAT's partnership with universities, the National Science Foundation, and NASA in

seeking grants for getting the first and future Fox generation satellites into orbit.

[ANS thanks AMSAT Vice-President Engineering, Tony Monteiro, AA2TX and the AMSAT Board of Directors for the above information]

AMSAT News Service Welcomes New Weekly Editor EMike McCardel, KC8YLD

EMike McCardel, KC8YLD is joining the AMSAT News Service as one of the weekly rotating editors. EMike will welcome your news of Amateur Radio in Space via the ans-editor@amsat.org or his KC8YLD@amsat.org e-mail address.

He is active on the amateur satellites using his Yaesu VX8R and VX7R radios. EMike is already active within AMSAT-NA serving as Associate Director of Education working on our educational relations with Mark Hammond, N8MH. The AMSAT-Edu e-mail list, supporting our educational outreach and planning, is moderated by EMike.

Recently EMike worked with Mark, N8MH; Dale, KJ6VUC; Tom, KA6SIP; Dave, KB5WIA; Joe, K6WAO; Barry, WD4ASW; and Alan, WA6DNR as a member of the AMSAT team During PACIFICON October 12-14. This effort included a successful ARISS contact, support in the ARRL Youth Lounge making CubeSat models, the AMSAT table, and satellite demonstrations.

EMike is an extra class operator. He is a member and past-president of the Mount Vernon Amateur Radio Club, the Inter-City Radio Club in Mansfield, OH, and a member of the ARRL. He is the ARRL Ohio Section Affiliated Club Coordinator, ARRL appointed PIO and VE.

Other club affiliations include the Ohio Single Side Band Net, the Old Man International Sideband Society, and the Straight Key Century Club. His interest in emergency communications has lead to taking two ARECC and several FEMA courses leading to certificates in Incident Command System/National Incident Management System, and the National Response Plan.

ANS Bulletins will be coming from EMike as he joins the weekly editor rotation with Lee, KU4OS and JoAnne, K9JKM. The AMSAT News Service Team still has a couple of openings for weekly editors. With 4 editors each would have a bulletin for one week of the month. JoAnne has taken over as Editor of the AMSAT Journal so ANS has an immediate opportunity for a new

volunteer. Professional writing/editing experience is NOT a requirement. Your interest and enthusiasm in following and teaching on amateur radio in space will get you started.

Welcome aboard EMike, KC8YLD!

[ANS thanks AMSAT Vice-President Gould Smith, WA4SXM for the above information]

Japan PRISM Satellite Begins Amateur AX.25 Store-and-Forward Service

The team that developed the PRISM satellite have announced it is being opened up for use by radio amateurs during afternoon passes.

The satellite was built by the University of Tokyo and launched on January 23, 2009 into a 660 by 670 km orbit. It uses AX.25 packet radio and can now be used by amateur radio operators as a store-and-forward message box.

Full details at:

http://www.space.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp/pri...AMservice.html

(Ed. Note - if this link does not work with FireFox try using Internet Explorer.)

Additional information is posted at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11174

Downlink Frequency Information

Beacon 437.2500 MHz CW (80 mW)Data 437.4250 MHz AFSK 1200 BPS (800mW AX.25)

To gain access to the uplink frequency and the store-and-forward protocol the amateur radio user must agree to comply with the terms of the HAM Radio Service by clicking on the "Read the Terms" button at the bottom of the web page. If you agree then click on the "Agree" item.

Upon agreement to the user terms you will be allowed access to a technical information page describing the communications protocol and the uplink frequency.

[ANS thanks the PRISM team at the University of Tokyo for the above information]

WS4FSM Hosts the Largest School Contact Ever With the ISS

On Tuesday, October 30, at 11:58AM EDT (15:58 UTC) most of Palm Beach County's 187,000 students will be watching live as 10 students and 2 teachers make contact with the International Space Station.

The contact will be from the Motorola theater at the South Florida Science Museum (see: http://www.sfsm.org). Amateur Radio Station WS4FSM is part of a permanent Ham Radio Center exhibit built and maintained by the West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group.

Both a tower mounted tracking antenna and a mast mounted Eggbeater antenna have been loaned to the club by area Hams for making this

contact.

The event will be televised live by closed circuit TV beginning about 11:00 AM EDT (15:00 UTC) to classrooms in all the county schools and streamed on the web at: https://vodcast.palmbeachschools.org/player/ten1

Parents at home will be able to view this contact on the web stream and on the school's educational channel and Comcast Cable in South Florida. The final audience is expected to be over 250,000 live viewers.

The students were selected from the entire school district, including private and home schooler's, and entered by submitting an essay about their interest in space exploration. Tens of thousands of essays were read and sorted by the committee which included educators, astronomers, scientists, former astronauts, and Ham Radio operators. The event is being co-sponsored by the Palm Beach Post who ran a series of articles and published the winning essays.

An educational DVD will be produced for use in the school system at other times and selected portions will be available on YouTube from the West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group.

For information on WS4FSM see:

http://www.wpbarc.com/WS4FSM

For information on the West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group see:

http://www.wpbarc.com

[ANS thanks Tom Loughney, AJ4XM, President, West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group Inc. for the above information]

Report Available for Japan's UNISEC Satellite Projects

Japan's University Space Engineering Consortium (UNISEC) has compiled a report on the current state of Japanese University Micro/Nano/Pico-satellite Projects.

The 100 page report is accessible via these "Download" button at the bottom of this page: http://www.unisec.jp/member/jusat-e.html

[ANS thanks UNISEC for the above information]

FUNcube-2 Boards Delivered to Clyde Space for UKube-1 Nanosatellite

For this story with additional photos see: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11133

On Friday, October 19, after some final testing and characterisation checks completed at the facilities of ISIS BV in Delft, AMSAT-UK handed over the set of three PCBs that form the FUNcube-2 subsystem on the UKube-1 spacecraft to Clyde Space Ltd in Glasgow. Clyde Space are leading the development and assembly of this CubeSat project for the UK Space Agency.

The PCBs were taken to Glasgow in a Pelicase by Graham Shirville, G3VZV who handed them to Steve Greenland Systems Engineer at Clyde Space.

The three PCB's comprise:

CCT Board - Command, control and telemetry, interfaces via I2C with the antenna deployment system and the main OBC (On-Board Computer).RF Board - Command receiver, telemetry transmitter and linear transponder of the FUNcube satellite educational payload also includes telemetry sensors.PA Board - 400 mW VHF amplifier and sensors.

FUNcube-2 on UKube-1 will provide a 435/145 MHz (U/V) linear transponder for amateur radio SSB/CW communications and telemetry for school students around the world.

The UKube-1 spacecraft is expected to be launched on a Soyuz-2 launcher from Baikonur in Kazakhstan in March 2013. UKube-1 is a demonstration CubeSat mission designed to provide a platform for up to three technology demonstrator payloads. In addition to these payloads the satellite will incorporate innovative attitude determination and control systems, deployable arrays, FPGA on board mission controllers.

There will be four communications systems:

A U/V transceiver from ISIS BV, using either 1k2 or 9k6 BPSK for downlinks.A FUNcube compatible U/V transponder and telemetry transmitter provided by AMSAT-UK for educational outreach, amateur transponder operation and redundant telecommand.A 1 watt S Band transmitter from Cape Peninsula University of Technology, Cape Town, for high data rate mission data downlinking using up to 1 Mbps QPSK or OQPSK modulation.myPocketQub 442 SuperSprite AU on UHF with 11mW output using spread spectrum with 100 kHz bandwidth.

These frequencies have been coordination by the IARU Satellite Panel:

1k2 or 9k6 BPSK Telemetry downlink 145.840 MHzFUNcube-2 1k2 BPSK Telemetry downlink 145.915 MHzFUNcube-2 Transponder SSB/CW uplink 435.080 - 435.060 MHz and downlink 145.930 -145.950 MHzS Band downlink 2401.0 MHzmyPocketQub 437.425-437.525 MHz

More information is available at:
http://www.ukspaceagency.bis.gov.uk/21973.aspx

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK for the above information]

South Korea, Brazil, Ukraine Heading for Orbit

Brazil-Ukraine

News posted on Space-Travel.com reports that Brazil and Ukraine are partners in Alcantara Cyclone Space (ACS), a company which is preparing for the launch of the Cyclone-4 rockets from Brazil's Alcantara base in the northeastern Maranhao state.

The Ukrainian Yuzhnoye engineering office is working on the development of Cyclone-4, a new Cyclone series vehicle to be commercialized exclusively by

ACS. The Cyclone series of launch vehicles is one of the most successful series of rockets ever developed building on the prior successes of the Cyclone-2, and Cyclone-3 series initially based on the SS-9 Scarp Intercontinental Ballistic Missile. A new third stage will enable the Cyclone-4 to inject 5,300 kg in low Earth orbit, or 1,600 kg into a geo-transfer orbit. A new 4-meter diameter payload unit is under development for the Cyclone-4.

Alcantara Cyclone Space plans the first launch from Brazil by 2014.

South Korea

This week South Korea planned to join the the exclusive club of countries capable of placing a satellite in space if its Friday rocket launch from the Naro Space Center on the country's south coast was succsssful. The first stage of the space vehicle is manufactured by Russia, combined with a solid-fuelled second stage built by South Korea.

Currently, only three Asian countries -- China, India and Japan --have successfully launched a satellite into orbit.

[ANS thanks Space-Travel.com for the above information]

NASA Accepting Student Applications for HASP Balloon Flight

NASA is accepting applications from graduate and undergraduate university students to fly experiments to the edge of space on a scientific balloon during the fall of 2013.

The High Altitude Student Platform (HASP) is a balloon-borne instrument stack that provides an annual near-space flight opportunity for 12 instruments built by students. HASP houses and provides power, mechanical support, interactivity and communications for the instruments. It can be used to flight-test compact satellites, prototypes and other small payloads designed and built by students. HASP can support about 200 pounds for payloads and test articles. Since 2006, the HASP program has flown 60 payloads involving more than 500 students from 14 states, Puerto Rico and Canada. Flights are launched from the Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility's remote site in Fort Sumner, N.M., and typically achieve 15 to 20 hours' duration at an altitude of about 23 miles.

The balloon competition is a joint project between NASA and the Louisiana Space Consortium (LaSPACE) in Baton Rouge. A panel of experts

from NASA's Wallops Flight Facility in Virginia and LaSPACE will review the applications and select the finalists for the next flight opportunity.

The deadline for applications for the 2013 flight is December 14. Flight information and application forms can be found on the LaSpace web: http://laspace.lsu.edu/hasp/Participantinfo.php

A related story was posted by SpaceREF at: http://spaceref.com/news/viewpr.html?pid=38963

[ANS thanks LaSpace and NASA for the above information]

ARISS Status - 22 October 2012

1. Successful ARISS Contacts Held

On Tuesday, October 16, CRA Pozohondo in Nava De Abajo (Pozohondo), Spain hosted an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact via telebridge station LU8YY in Argentina. ISS astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB chatted with students, answering 20 of their life-in-space questions. The activity was tied to lessons in astronomy, photography, radio and English as a second language. Over 100 students and guests attended. The school has posted video on its Web site: http://edu.jccm.es/cra/cra_pozohondo

Students from the Wattsburg Area School District in Erie, Pennsylvania participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with on-orbit astronaut Sunita Williams, KD5PLB on Friday, October 19 via telebridge station VK4KHZ in Australia. Approximately 600 students were in attendance with another 400 participating from their classrooms, connected by internet. The ARISS contact was part of a comprehensive education plan which covers Robotics, Astronomy, Amateur Radio and Science.

Scouts visiting the National Scouting Museum in Irving, Texas spoke with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB via an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Saturday, October 20. The contact was part of the Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) weekend event whereby Scouts of all ages from around the world connect with each other using Amateur Radio equipment. Williams was able to answer over 20 questions put to her by the Scouts and had time for longer than usual answers due to sharing of the contact by Australian telebridge stations VK6MJ and VK5ZAI. The audience consisted of around 200 scouts, parents, and friends and at least three television stations and several newspapers representatives were present.

2. ARISS International Team Meeting Held

The ARISS International Team monthly teleconference was held on Tuesday, October 16. A status was given on the HamTV project as well as the new VHF unit to be flown to the ISS and subsequently installed in the Columbus Module. Minutes have been posted. See: http://ariss.rac.ca/arisstel2012-10-16.htm

3. Astronaut Training Status

Luca Parmitano, KF5KDP attended his preflight session on October 17. He is slated to fly with Expedition 36 crew in May 2013.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at
one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled
in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a
maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the
AMSAT Office for additional student membership information.

73,

This week's ANS Editor,

Lee McLamb, KU4OS

ku4os at amsat dot org

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AmateurLogic.TV 46: 7th Aniversary Part 2 and HF Station Giveaway

Posted: 27 Oct 2012 09:28 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366298-AmateurLogic-TV-46-7th-Aniversary-Part-2-and-HF-Station-Giveaway&goto=newpost

AmateurLogic.TV is celebrating our 7th Anniversary. Because we couldn□t fit it into one hour, join us for part 2 of the highlights and the backstory on some of our favorite scenes. To our loyal viewers, here is a chance to win a FREE complete HF Amateur Radio Station. Watch the show for complete details.

If you laughed during part 1, you will bust a gut on this one

01:00:03 of AmateurLogic history.

Now in HD where available!

Download

View in web browser: YouTube

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Hurricane Watch Net resumes as Sandy impacts the East Coast

Posted: 27 Oct 2012 01:56 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366269-Hurricane-Watch-Net-resumes-as-Sandy-impacts-the-East-Coast&goto=newpost

The Hurricane Watch Net will resume operation as Sandy impacts the East
Coast. We will handle reports for the National Hurricane Center and we
will also handle backup Amateur Radio communications from emergency
operating centers and public safety locations. We anticipate a high volume
of report so we will be operating on at least two bands concurrently.

The Hurricane Watch Net will begin operation with a test and checkin period Sunday evening, October 28, on 20, 40, and 80. That will be open to all but will allow temporary installations and EOC□s to confirm their stations are working properly. We will then launch the net in full operation Monday morning for the duration of the storm□s impact on the East Coast.

Sunday 10/28/2012

1700 EDT (2100Z) ☐ 2100 EDT (0100Z) Check in and test net
14.325, 7.268 3.950

Monday 10/29/2012 until storm passage

0800 EDT (1200Z) 14.325 7.268 Backup: 3.950 as propagation dictates

We will check into the Waterways Net during morning hours and copy their reports. HWN sincerely appreciates the cooperation of the 68 group and other nets for allowing us these frequencies!

HWN encourages all amateurs ~in the area affected by the storm~ to listen and report your conditions. We do not need relayed reports from the media, airports, or other sources as the National Hurricane Center already has access to that information. We rely on measured conditions, and please tell us whether your barometer has been calibrated when sending us your data. A typical report: Callsign, name, City, State , measured sustained wind, measured highest wind gust, wind direction, measured barometer, perhaps rainfall or rate of rain if above normal, and any flooding or damages you can report. Remember your own safety and that of your family comes first!

Thank you for allowing us clear frequencies! Many agencies are listening as Amateur Radio provides an important public service.

2139. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 29 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-29 16:50:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0444713f9196fd04cd3575fb@google.com>
Source record: 1556
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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K7E Special Event for Nevada Statehood

Posted: 28 Oct 2012 11:31 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366346-K7E-Special-Event-for-Nevada-Statehood&goto=newpost

K7E will be operating 160-10 meters from 10-29 thru 11-5

to celebrate Nevada becoming a state on October 31, 1864

QSL to W7EB

2140. eHam.net News for Monday 29 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-29 22:07:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044784bd480dec04cd39e462@google.com>
Source record: 1557
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Boy Scouts Take Part in Jamboree-On-The-Air:

Posted: 28 Oct 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29228

MOBILE, Alabama -- Ham radio enthusiast Rick Barnes wants you to know that his hobby is still relevant, even in the digital age. "After Hurricane Katrina (Aug. 29, 2005), all the communication systems were down, but people could still relay information over ham radio," he points out. "Ham radios work when cell phones go down. You can put it up out in the woods and communicate all over the world."

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Husband Tells of Being Marooned in South Pacific for Anniversary:

Posted: 28 Oct 2012 05:24 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29227

With aviation and ham-radio operation high on his hobby list, Andy Duncan of Independence is no stranger to far-flung excursions and far-reaching communications. But nothing in his 70 years could have prepared Andy or his wife, Kathy Cheval, for the impromptu circumstances they encountered as real-life castaways last August.

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AmateurLogic.TV 46 is Released:

Posted: 28 Oct 2012 03:50 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29223

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2141. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 29 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 02:30:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6152b8d44f0a04cd3d9185@google.com>
Source record: 1558
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio in use at emergency shelter at Cheltenham High - Philadelphia
Inquirer

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGf6S4LuG7ZgwgdRsw3E0p3R0Mkow&url=http://www.philly.com/philly/news/20121029_Ham_radio_in_use_at_city_emergency_shelter_at_Cheltenham_High.html

Philadelphia Inquirer
Ham radio in use at emergency shelter at Cheltenham High
Philadelphia Inquirer
In addition to 100 cots, three prepared meals a day, a nurse, a
mental-health professional and a generator, the shelter also has two
volunteer amateur-radio operators working 12-hour shifts to provide
emergency communications between the shelter and ...

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Slow motion weather disaster in progress; NYC storm surge record; Water
in ... - Minnesota Public Radio

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 06:11 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFuhz6Phcsdjhn08b-q1vy4hEY3jw&url=http://minnesota.publicradio.org/collections/special/columns/updraft/archive/2012/10/sandy_races_ashore_tonight_nyc.shtml

Slow motion weather disaster in progress; NYC storm surge record; Water
in ...
Minnesota Public Radio
HURRICANE-FORCE WIND GUSTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY HAM RADIO OPERATORS ACROSS
PORTIONS OF EXTREME SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND. A HAM
RADIO OPERATOR RECENTLY REPORTED A ...

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Members of Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service lend a hand in
Herkimer ... - WKTV

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 02:46 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFazsd7l7hmwD1QEXt_YRQq0YALIw&url=http://www.wktv.com/news/local/Members-of-Radio-Amateur-Civil-Emergency-Service-lend-a-hand-in-Herkimer-County-176323881.html

Members of Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service lend a hand in Herkimer ...
WKTV
Members from the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service or "RACES" are set up next to the 911 center. The RACES are able to monitor many frequencies, staying ahead of the storm and are on call as back-up communication in case of any power failure in ...

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Reception of Ham Radio APRS via the ISS - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:19 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFCaaXBNumCWa1GVN8XcESf_6d2cQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/reception_of_ham_radio_aprs_via_the_iss.htm

Reception of Ham Radio APRS via the ISS
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Robert Broughton M6GLD has made this video showing reception of amateur radio APRS signals from the International Space Station The YouTube description reads: Amateur packet data is received and decoded from the ISS. The data signals are readily ...

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'Pumpkin Patrol' preparing for another Halloween - Oneida Dispatch

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 11:47 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEyAXvnjMuiVF_9BbBEAm4bWLrr4g&url=http://oneidadispatch.com/articles/2012/10/29/news/doc508eccb6e2fe9083196359.txt

Newsday
Pumpkin Patrol preparing for another Halloween
Oneida Dispatch
People such as Verona resident Bob Haeger and the Madison-Oneida Amateur Radio Club, a ham radio enthusiast group, collectively keep watch over the entire stretch of the state thruway. “This is a great public service,” he said. “I think our presence ...
Pumpkin Patrol on lookout for Thruway prankstersNewsday

all 23 news articles

2142. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 30 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 06:07:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9341007f174ec04cd4098fa@google.com>
Source record: 1559
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Raytown Amateur Radio Club 2012 Hamfest

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 06:27 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366416-Raytown-Amateur-Radio-Club-2012-Hamfest&goto=newpost

It□s Almost Here!

I wanted to personally invite everyone to the Raytown Amateur Radio Club 2012 Hamfest, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Saturday, November 10, 2010. The Hamfest will be at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie #47, 10220 East 47th Street in Kansas City, Missouri.

Raffle Tickets will be $2.00 at the door on the morning of the event, but advanced tickets can be obtained for $1.00 each from Raytown Amateur Radio Club Members gathering at the Dairy Queen in Raytown between 8:00 and 9:00 PM on the evenings of October 27th or November 3rd.

There will be great prizes to be won at this event. There will also be presentations and VE Testing!

For more information, go to http://k0gq.com, or contact Steve Deines, N0TES at sjdeines@yahoo.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the Raytown Amateur Radio Club 2012 Hamfest!

Thanks!

Randy Schulze - KDØHKD

President,

Raytown Amateur Radio Club

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St. Clair County High School's Second Annual Swap Meet - December 3, 2012!

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 03:37 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366405-St-Clair-County-High-School-s-Second-Annual-Swap-Meet-December-3-2012!&goto=newpost

Hello everyone, this is KK4FRJ, I am the president of our HAM radio club at St. Clair County High School; We are located in Odenville, Alabama. On

December 3rd, we are having our second annual swap meet. The doors of our school will open at 8:00AM (CST) and will run until 2:00PM(CST). Admission is free! At 10:00AM, there will be a testing session held in one of our classrooms.We will be raffling off a brand new Wouxun KG-UVD1P at 12:00PM(CST). We invite everyone to join us, for directions and our address please refer to our qrz page http://qrz.com/db/KK4ELL

Thanks, DJ Weems

2143. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 30 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 11:05:13 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9399d3ffff9dc04cd44c16a@google.com>
Source record: 1560
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Special event with astronaut wins public relations award

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_5UDotAPqgo/special_event_with_astronaut_wins_public_relations_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As radio amateur Clint Bradford K6LCS of Jurupa Valley said, “It was 13 months of planning for 10 minutes of conversation, but, oh!, what a conversation!”

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WS4FSM hosts the largest school contact ever with the ISS

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3wWG1S5Oa4E/ws4fsm_hosts_the_largest_school_contact_ever_with_the_iss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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ARISS ham radio contact with Cumberland Elementary School, West Lafayette, Indiana

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/98vpVmUix9o/ariss_event_3010.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned with participants at Cumberland Elementary School, West Lafayette, Indiana today, 30 October

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Hurricane Sandy Amateur Radio Communications Webstream

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ssUER5uBHv0/hurricane_sandy_amateur_radio_communications_webstream.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

US amateur radio communications during Hurricane Sandy can be heard via the WX_TALK net available online

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November 432 and Above EME Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HT17Gy6uFBc/november_432_and_above_eme_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The November edition of the free amateur radio 432 MHz and Above EME Newsletter is now available for download

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National Weather Service works overtime in Taunton office

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZobfMYFmBo0/national_weather_service_works_overtime_in_taunton_office.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

When a major weather event like Hurricane Sandy happens, the National Weather Service office in Taunton, MA goes into high gear and calls in reinforcements

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Ham radio in use at emergency shelter at Cheltenham High

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/y-ADyX98sAE/ham_radio_in_use_at_emergency_shelter_at_cheltenham_high.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As Hurricane Sandy approached the Philly region Monday afternoon, the emergency shelter at Cheltenham High School was more than ready to withstand Sandy's best punch

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Radio Hams 1997 Hurricane Sandy Drill

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8pqY9Z0giqE/radio_hams_1997_hurricane_sandy_drill.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateurs ran a drill for Hurricane Sandy hitting the East Coast 15 years ago in October 1997

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ARRL HQ closes for Hurricane Sandy

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zP_sT55CtXc/arrl_hq_closes_for_hurricane_sandy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL Headquarters in Newington, CT closed at 11:30 AM Eastern Time on Monday, October 29 as Hurricane Sandy approached

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AmateurLogic.TV 46: 7th Anniversary and Contest - Part 2

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GgO2r_KvCZw/amateurlogic_tv_7th_anniversary_2.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AmateurLogic.TV is celebrating our 7th Anniversary. Because we couldn’t fit it into one hour, join us for part 2 of the highlights and the backstory on some of our favorite scenes

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/X2ba3o5-h_Y/history_30_october.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2144. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 30 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 16:06:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a14b51841f804cd48f792@google.com>
Source record: 1561
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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QRZ and Hurricane Sandy

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 02:40 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366478-QRZ-and-Hurricane-Sandy&goto=newpost

QRZ is hosted by Amazon Web Services and utilizes their Northern Virginia facility. While there is no indication that this facility will be impacted by the storm, QRZ users should note that in the event of a loss of QRZ services within the next 48 hours, it will have probably been caused by the storm.

There is zero chance that QRZ will suffer any permanent damage, however, and should such an event occur, we'll be back as usual as soon as Amazon recovers.

Thanks (just in case)

-fred

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Upcoming new features in LOG4OM

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:03 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366462-Upcoming-new-features-in-LOG4OM&goto=newpost

The free logging software LOG4OM will soon include integral support for the new ZLP Electronics Winkeyer emulation included in the Digimaster Pro Three - See http://www.g4zlp.co.uk/ and at the same time for all of the original K1EL Winkeyer products.

Other new features soon to be included are support for SO2R operation and user defined Cabrillo exports.

These are just a few of the exciting future additions to this comprehensive free logging program which is rapidly becoming very popular with all sections of the amateur radio community.

Download LOG4OM free from http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/log4om-en/

Terry G4POP

2145. unique sex club in tokyo

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 16:13:44 UTC
From: Iran <tamarmadgecay@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <3f042e8b-5a18-40d3-932a-896648e5735b@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1562

unique sex club in tokyo http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&q=unique+sex+club+in+tokyo+site:fhhfihbay605.blogspot.com&btnI=I%27m+Feeling+Lucky

2146. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 30 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 16:34:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340571e4c99f04cd494886@google.com>
Source record: 1563
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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remote operation in contests...

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 03:25 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366482-remote-operation-in-contests&goto=newpost

Hi all

I did not find this through searches...

What is the exact policy of remote operating a rig in a contest within this
scope - I have been reading through some of the contest rules (CQWW, CQWPX
and ARRL) and they are pretty vague on this subject (perhaps intentionally)

scope:

- Remote operation is allowed in the licencee's country

- Being used within the same country

- the station follows the rule of no RX antennas and 500m radius etc.

- the user owns all the equipment.

and ++ as I have heard about users taking part in contest remote as
multi-singe.

or is this perhaps just no issue at all ?

73, Benni TF3CY

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S79NU Mahe Island Seychelles

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:42 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366468-S79NU-Mahe-Island-Seychelles&goto=newpost

DL8NU will be active from Mahe Island , Seychelles 9-24 November 2012 as
S79NU

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...nd_seychelles/

73 Al 4L5A

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Dia do radioamador brasileiro - 5 de novembro - especial indicativo zw1cml

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 10:49 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366443-Dia-do-radioamador-brasileiro-5-de-novembro-especial-indicativo-zw1cml&goto=newpost

os radioamadores estarão nos dias 4 e 5 de novembro comemorando o seu

"dia do radioamador" - 5 de novembro - em homenagem ao patrono padre roberto landell de moura - prefixo especial de zw1cml.

uma equipe de operadores promoverão um conteste nacional e internacional diretamente da estação do clube militar lagoa - rua jardim botânico, 391-jardim botânico - rio de janeiro

horário das 08:00 ás 20:00horas.

os radioamadores do brasil e do mundo que fizerem contato via radio ou pessoalmente , receberão

o cartão qsl especial zw1cml.

2147. eHam.net News for Tuesday 30 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 22:54:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404c1fd20b804cd4eabb1@google.com>
Source record: 1564
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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'Pumpkin Patrol' Preparing for Another Halloween:

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29234

On Halloween, a select team of individuals, armed with portable ham radios will venture out into the shroud of night. They will guard overpasses on stretches of the New York State Thruway to prevent shenanigans and not-so-nice pranks typical to the specific holiday. For example, no motorist wants to encounter objects hurled from an overpass as they travel below the bridges. Every year, the New York State Police Troop T, which polices the Thruway, partners with citizen-band and amateur radio groups to look out for suspicious activity. The collaborative effort has been dubbed "Pumpkin Patrol." People such as Verona resident Bob Haeger and the Madison-Oneida Amateur Radio Club, a ham radio enthusiast group, collectively keep watch over the entire stretch of the state thruway. "This is a great public service," he said. "I think our presence alone is a deterrent."

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Ham Radio in Use at Emergency Shelter at Cheltenham High:

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29233

AS HURRICANE SANDY approached the Philly region Monday afternoon, the emergency shelter at Cheltenham High School was more than ready to withstand Sandy's best punch. In addition to 100 cots, three prepared meals a day, a nurse, a mental-health professional and a generator, the shelter also has two volunteer amateur-radio operators working 12-hour shifts to provide emergency communications between the shelter and Montgomery County's Emergency Operations Center in Eagleville and the American Red Cross. "We basically provide emergency backup communications if all power goes out," said Ed Kenna, a volunteer with the Auxiliary Communications Service, which works with the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. "I brought a battery I can operate off . . . for 12 hours if we lose power," said Kenna, 54, a database administrator for an advertising agency. If there was a medical emergency at the shelter and all power was lost, Kenna said, he could use the ham radio to get an ambulance dispatched to the shelter.

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Hurricane Watch Net Stands Down:

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:37 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29232

The Hurricane Watch Net has ceased operation for "Super-storm" Sandy. There is no question that the storm will continue to do damage for several days but since it is no longer a hurricane and not over open water the National Hurricane Center has handed off responsibility to another branch within the weather system. On the ham radio side, there are state and regional ARES and other emergency nets in place with the specific purpose of handling these events. We do not want to overlap their service to the public.

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Army MARS and Sandy Landfall:

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:36 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29231

Army MARS inaugurated a new cross-country HF network at 0800 EDT (1200Z) Monday to back up emergency communications within Hurricane Sandy's landfall zone.

2148. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-064E - Issues with the RAC Report.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-30 23:10:47 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50905E4A.70503@rac.ca>
Source record: 1565
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-064E - Issues with the RAC Report.
2012-10-30

There have been issues with multiple copies of the RAC Report going
out via e-mail. We are working to fix this problem for the next issue.

Paul Burggraaf VO1PRB
Chief Information and Technology Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2149. BEST HOT VIDEO WATCH HERE MODLES HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-31 01:40:57 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f8ddf047-9d3f-4749-8f37-7f4d1939f7fe@sh1g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1566

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
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http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
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http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

2150. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 30 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-31 02:26:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934065b5b9dd204cd519f3e@google.com>
Source record: 1567
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio buffs battle to get messages through council red tape - The
Age

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 01:44 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG7a57LLOJ05XV7SJ34dET3rxuTeA&url=http:
//www.theage.com.au/technology/technology-news/amateur-radio-buffs-battle-to-get-messages-
through-council-red-tape-20121030-28hno.html

The Age
Amateur radio buffs battle to get messages through council red tape
The Age
The century-old pursuit of amateur radio involves sending and receiving
data over selected frequency bands. Traditionalists transmit Morse code or
voice; the new breed either circumvents the internet by sending digital
data over the airwaves, or uses ...

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Students get rare chance to talk with astronaut on space station - Palm
Beach Post

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 11:25 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGnWOj5AXgiHkSyLtEq9Z6SCMB2lw&url=http:
//www.palmbeachpost.com/news/news/local/students-get-rare-chance-to-talk-with-astronaut-on
/nSrnq/

WPTV
Students get rare chance to talk with astronaut on space station
Palm Beach Post
Ham radio operator Mike McIntosh of Boca Raton, whos with the West Palm
Beach Amateur Radio Group, had begun hailing the space station about two
minutes before the window opened. At first, Hoshide came in “clean and
green.” It went in and out a few ...
Space station chat fires up students enthusiasmSun-Sentinel

all 4 news articles

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In Brief ... - Chinook Observer

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 06:10 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFghMJyXfag7pcbh1L8ICw2FdsRBg&url=http:

//www.chinookobserver.com/life/in-brief/article_487edfd4-22e7-11e2-8c82-001a4bcf887a.html

In Brief ...
Chinook Observer
The American Red Cross has obtained a grant to provide a full amateur radio station for use by ARES/RACES (Amateur Radio Emergency Services/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) amateur radio operators. It was decided to locate the amateur radio ...

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Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School - STLtoday.com

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 10:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGIagSmFEqXyv0ytQysIEZlU5LUQ&url=http://www.stltoday.com/suburban-journals/stcharles/education/ham-radio-back-in-style-at-st-charles-high-school/article_6d9d50cc-6fe7-5466-aa31-eba38bf0dc03.html

Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School
STLtoday.com
Senior Sean Basler, whose 16-year-old sister Jesse is also in the club, said he became interested in amateur radio for a practical reason. "In an emergency, ham radio is probably the best form of communication there is," he said. Ham radios can operate ...

2151. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 31 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-31 11:09:46 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba614ef65e7c5a04cd58f066@google.com>
Source record: 1568
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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SARL to discuss amateur radio's needs at ICASA hearing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z4pLgM6G9z4/sarl_to_discuss_amateur_radios_needs_at_icasa_hearing.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South African Radio League will discuss amateur radio's needs for
allocation in the 2,3; 3,5 and 5 GHz bands at the ICASA hearing on the
draft frequency migration regulation and frequency migration plans to be
held on 1 and 2 November 2012

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OZ7IGY - Next Generation Ham Radio Beacons

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zcyHahepy3o/oz7igy_next_generation_ham_radio_beacons.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On October 30, 2012 the first two Next Generation Beacons on 50.46973 MHz
and 144.46973 MHz were put on air after thorough testing and burn-in periods

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Radio Hams battle to get messages through council red tape

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FVuTxLyykps/radio_hams_battle_to_get_messages_through_council_red_tape.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Brisbane Times reports on the battle by radio amateurs against Council
regulations that restricts the type of antenna they can put up

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Embudu Island operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/J8SSGTmUqc0/embudu_island_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andrew, G7COD, is once again active as 8Q7AK from Embudu Island on the
South Male Atoll, Maldives (AS-013), for three weeks in February 2013

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 147

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/o3ljf_9wiTk/soldersmoke_amateur_radio_podcast_147.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new episode of the SolderSmoke amateur radio Podcast containing a report on Hurricane Sandy is available

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Antenna masts and NSW planning law reform

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NP92KwW5EbY/antenna_masts_and_nsw_planning_law_reform.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As this is the first review of the State’s planning laws for more than 30 years, a golden opportunity was presented to get some consideration for Amateur Radio antenna masts

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Issues with the RAC Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RzmTlGxVeXQ/issues_with_the_rac_report.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There have been issues with multiple copies of the RAC Report going out via e-mail

2152. slutwifesusnhine s threesome compliation

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-31 13:36:02 UTC
From: Iran <tamarmadgecay@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f2d2b885-fc1e-4d25-87fb-2b3a6668dd3e@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1569

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2153. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 31 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-31 16:13:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81f01b527204cd5d2f93@google.com>
Source record: 1570
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Special event with astronaut wins public relations award

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 09:57 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366560-Special-event-with-astronaut-wins-public-relations-award&goto=newpost

Special event with astronaut wins public relations award

As radio amateur Clint Bradford K6LCS of Jurupa Valley said, ☐It was 13 months of planning for 10 minutes of conversation, but, oh!, what a conversation!☐

☐☐LIVE! from outer space!☐ Students speak to an astronaut in the orbiting International Space Station☐ was the special event on April 19, 2012 that earned an award for Karen and Clint Bradford in the annual competition by the Public Relations Society of America. The event was planned for the 120 students of Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy and more than 80 parents, community leaders, media representatives and interested persons.

Clint initiated the event because of his hobby in ham radio and volunteer position with NASA through Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS): He provides school technical support for students in North America to talk to astronauts aboard the orbiting space station. NASA☐s ☐Teaching from Space☐ program is available to any school that applies, but the typical wait-time from application to event is three years.

He approached Kathy Rohm, vice president and director of community relations at Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy, which is supported by the Tom Wathen Center. She was enthusiastic to sponsor the literally out-of-this-world, once-in-a-lifetime special event to inspire students. More than 2,900 emails flew between Clint, Kathy, NASA, Flabob staffer Nina Bentham and ARISS volunteers to produce the event.

NASA-Houston flight director Phil Engelauf, who grew up in Rubidoux and whose mother, Beverly, still lives here, was invited to the event. His duties prevented him from attending, but he sent warm regards to the students in a special message that is posted at the event's Web site - http://iss-flabob.com (on the blog).

The event went according to plan, except for a momentary glitch with audio quality, despite having tested the system for three days preceding

the event. Clint quickly figured out a solution, although he later said that he was only 90 seconds from NASA terminating the call if he had not succeeded.

☐When we looked around the hangar at the conclusion of the contact, hearing the students☐ whoops of happiness, we saw more than a few adults wiping at their eyes us included,☐ Karen said. ☐We felt intensely rewarded to think how our students may feel throughout their lives when they look up in the sky and remember the thrilling day when Flight Engineer Don Pettit answered their questions.☐

Student Brittany Cain had asked, ☐Besides missing your family and friends, what is the biggest adjustment you have made for this mission?☐ The assembled group laughed when Pettit replied he missed not being able to take a bath for six months!

The mission of Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy is to use aviation as a tool to motivate students to achieve their personal, academic, and career goals.

Current statistics reveal that American students severely lag behind their foreign peers: In a study of 31 countries, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development ranked Americans 21st in science and 25th in math. Consequently, President Obama launched the Educate to Innovate Campaign in 2009 to unite teachers, parents, businesses and students toward excellence in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) studies.

Karen is a current member and past president of PRSA☐s California Inland Empire Chapter. There are more than 80 local members.

Flabob Airport students talk to Space Station

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/apr...ce_station.htm

Clint Bradford K6LCS

http://www.k6lcs.com/

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Hurricane Watch Net stands down

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 08:14 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366506-Hurricane-Watch-Net-stands-down&goto=newpost

The Hurricane Watch Net has ceased operation for ☐Super-storm☐ Sandy. There is no question that the storm will continue to do damage for several days but since it is no longer a hurricane and not over open water the National Hurricane Center has handed off responsibility to another branch within the weather system. On the ham radio side, there are state and regional ARES and other emergency nets in place with the specific purpose of handling these events. We do not want to overlap their service to the public.

Over these days we took several hundred reports from amateurs who supplied detailed information in a most professional manner. These ground reports were critical to the National Hurricane Center□s ability to track and monitor the storm. We appreciate your dedication to providing this information! Our thanks go to the 14.325 group, the Waterways Net which partnered with us in the morning, and to the 68 group which graciously moved off their 40 meter frequency so we could operate. And our thanks to the hundreds of amateurs who allowed us a clear frequency or stood by to help with relays and fills even during a crowded contest.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the millions whose lives have been affected by the storm.

2154. eHam.net News for Wednesday 31 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-10-31 22:05:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5014a73fac96904cd6219ec@google.com>
Source record: 1571
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Students in West Palm Beach Talk with Astronaut on Space Station:

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 05:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29243

WEST PALM BEACH -- The voice came out of the ham radio like it was coming from a garage down the street instead of 260 miles up in space. The people gathered at the South Florida Science Museum burst into applause. Eleven students and two teachers already were lined up and started barking their questions rapid-fire for Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, who has been on the International Space Station since mid-July. And Hoshide -- speaking in flawless, near-accentless English -- was quick with the answers. The musem was one of only 10 sites in the nation participating on Tuesday as part of the collaboration between NASA's Teaching From Space arm and museums and educators worldwide to encourage kids to pursue careers in science.

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'Cumberland Elementary Calling the International Space Station':

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 05:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29242

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (WLFI) - Cumberland Elementary students were able to reach the International Space Station via amateur radio. About 600 kids and a few dozen parents were able to listen in as the school reached out to the space station. They had a short window in which they would be able to contact the astronauts, but were able to ask nearly 20 questions about the International Space Station, the universe and the life of an astronaut. Third-grade teacher and amateur radio operator David Brantley says the process of setting the communication up was a two- or three-year process, but was definitely worth it.

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Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service Lend a Hand in Herkimer County:

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 05:27 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29241

HERKIMER, N.Y. (WKTV) - There were a few extra sets of hands inside the Herkimer County Emergency Management building on Monday night. Members from the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service or "RACES" are set up next to the 911 center. The RACES are able to monitor many frequencies, staying ahead

of the storm and are on call as back-up communication in case of any power failure in the county. They are also ready in case the generators fail at local hospitals.

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Amateur Radio Buffs Battle to Get Messages through Council Red Tape:

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 05:27 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29240

WITH just a wire antenna, a slice of the airwaves and his own technical guile, Compton Allen is a one-man radio mogul. He doesn't rely on the internet, or a mobile phone. From his home in Ryde, the amateur radio buff - call sign VK2HRX - can transmit messages to Parramatta or New York. Others contact the international space station, or even bounce signals off the moon. But one source of earthbound interference impedes Mr Allen, and many of the state's 4300 licensed amateur radio users - the burden of council red tape. ''[Council regulation] restricts the type of antenna I can put up \& I sometimes find it hard to talk to stations in northern Europe and Antarctica and some places in Australia,'' Mr Allen said. ''The application process for antenna towers can be long and laborious, cost considerable money and involve all sorts of technical requirements which are probably not necessary.'' The century-old pursuit of amateur radio involves sending and receiving data over selected frequency bands. Traditionalists transmit Morse code or voice; the new breed either circumvents the internet by sending digital data over the airwaves, or uses the web to link radio systems around the world.

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American Legion Radio Club:

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 04:28 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29239

The American Legion Amateur Radio Club (TALARC) will run a Special Event Station commemorating Veterans Day on Sunday, November 11 from its downtown Indianapolis station, K9TAL.

2155. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 31 October 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 02:53:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044785112706c504cd661e6f@google.com>
Source record: 1572
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 08:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEDJhdm1tPNKvIMfou-f4V2_-xClg&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/amateurradio-emergency-services-disasters-74616

Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters
Electronic Design (blog)
The police station had (still has) a ham radio station (HF, VHF, UHF) on the premises. Those were both good things, because what there was of a public safety communications structure in Northern California came down with the quake, and for all anybody ...
In Brief ...Chinook Observer

all 2 news articles

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BARK offering HAM radio class - The Delta Discovery

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 02:22 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEjsIT1KC2vOEy6b_RxD38VZ5a6iA&url=http://www.deltadiscovery.com/story/2012/10/31/adventure/bark-offering-ham-radio-class/569.html

BARK offering HAM radio class
The Delta Discovery
Ever thought of getting your amateur radio license? Imaging talking to people all over the world on a handheld radio from right here in Bethel! Getting a Ham “ticket” has never been easier. The Bethel Amateur Radio Klub (BARK) is once again offering ...

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Ham radio club collecting items for soldiers - Three Rivers Publishing

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 02:26 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHEuF1uVPCRpwTVk9SPIe3BSxt7Lg&url=http://www.threeriverspublishing.com/TRP/index.php?option%3Dcom_content%26view%3Darticle%26id%3D11573:ham-radio-club-collecting-items-for-soldiers%26catid%3D31%26Itemid%3D202

Ham radio club collecting items for soldiers
Three Rivers Publishing
The adopt a soldier program that began at the Sullivan Ham Radio Club a few years back has continued to grow from its meager start. The club adopted

only one soldier in its first year but has continued to do more and more every holiday season, thanks ...

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Ham as a Hobby - The Missourian

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 10:04 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHuq1KGjpx90Q2dMbrTrSoNroygww&url=http://www.emissourian.com/features_people/feature_stories/article_c8d3d88f-8b25-559a-b5e8-147b22904b1f.html

Ham as a Hobby
The Missourian
He was using his own licensed radio station, K0AYF. Shye is what is known as a ham — an amateur radio operator. Hes one of many in the Franklin County area. In fact, there are over 50 who belong to the local Zero Beaters Amateur Radio Club (ARC).

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American Legion Radio Club: - eHam.net

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 11:32 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH1JaWT6bcUMNW69JJHRPlMavTPQQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29239

American Legion Radio Club:
eHam.net
The American Legion Amateur Radio Club (TALARC) will run a Special Event Station commemorating Veterans Day on Sunday, November 11 from its downtown Indianapolis station, K9TAL. Located at the National Headquarters of The American Legion, ...

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Radio club wants weather transmitter in Minden - Minden Times

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 10:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEXIf8acr3-5ovmH_6Bzy0s-BXVTg&url=http://www.mindentimes.ca/2012/10/30/radio-club-wants-weather-transmitter-in-minden

Radio club wants weather transmitter in Minden
Minden Times
Members of the Minden Amateur Radio Club gather at the Minden Legion on Oct. 26 for their weekly meeting to discuss the possibility of a weather transmitter being located in Minden. ANGELICA BLENICH/MINDEN TIMES/QMI AGENCY. Tweet Bookmark ...

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OZ7IGY - Next Generation Ham Radio Beacons - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 01:06 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEyxzo5U9bpw81RUq00Tl8AGHUWjA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/october2012/oz7igy_next_generation_ham_radio_beacons.htm

OZ7IGY - Next Generation Ham Radio Beacons
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Most of the HF, VHF and UHF technology used by OZ7IGY is old(er) land mobile equipment modified for the purpose. For the microwave bands most of the technology is dedicated radio amateur beacon designs while power amplifiers are often surplus.

2156. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 06:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1351749600@panix.com>
Source record: 1573
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

2157. SolderSmoke Podcast for Thursday 1 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 10:43:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f235545ac49cf04cd6c3f07@google.com>
Source record: 1574
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.info

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SolderSmoke Podcasts

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SolderSmoke147`

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 02:47 AM PDT

SolderSmoke issue 147
This posting includes a media file:
http://www.soldersmoke.com/soldersmoke147.mp3
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2158. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 1 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 11:08:15 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0444e80186703304cd6d08f8@google.com>
Source record: 1575
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7MpWfnGVWtY/november_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

What a phenomenal, huge week on Ten Metres, the biggest I can remember.
Usually 3 or more reported contacts are needed to get into the lists. This
week 10, and on the weekend of the contest, 30 were needed. Saturday
produced 8,500 reported contacts and Sunday 14,600. Incredible!!

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ARISS school contact planned November 2, 2012 - Downlink audible over Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5sY2rKc-5XA/ariss_event_0211.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at Primarschule Aesch, Forch,
Switzerland on 02 November

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Amateur Radio club wants weather transmitter in Minden

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2k7AruuHYHQ/amateur_radio_club_wants_weather_transmitter_in_minden.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Minden Times reports that the Minden Amateur Radio Club is hoping to
improve weather coverage for residents of Minden Hills and the county

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BBC Radio 4 - Tuning In, history of early radio in Britain

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YVXEt65wI7Q/tuning_in.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tuning In, a history of early radio in Britain, will be broadcast at 8 PM
Saturday, November 3, on BBC Radio 4

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Hurricane Sandy - Cuban Satellite Meeting postponed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zI_SpsWV6JI/hurricane_sandy_cuban_satellite_meeting_postponed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As a result of the damage caused by Hurricane Sandy the Cuban amateur radio satellite group have postponed their national meeting

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Kickstarter crowdfunding site launches in the UK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9yp9Ltq3OU0/kickstarter_crowdfunding_site_launches_in_the_uk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Kickstarter, which been used to fund a number of Amateur Radio projects in the USA, has now launched in the UK

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Impact of 4G phones on TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DVzPw1lYwhg/impact_of_4g_phones_on_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The BBC Radio 4 Today show reports on the possible impact of 4G mobile phones on poorly designed TV systems

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Video of 27th AMSAT-UK Colloquium

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8UTD8lYs-fk/video_of_27th_amsat_uk_colloquium.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jan Poppeliers ON7UX has put together a short video compilation of the AMSAT-UK Colloquium held in Guildford September 14-16

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Hawaii Radio Hams activate for tsunami warning

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lbn-kHpKxEI/hawaii_radio_hams_activate_for_tsunami_warning.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Saturday, October 27, radio amateurs in Hawaii responded to a tsunami warning, providing valuable and timely information to emergency management officials

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Amateur Radio Emergency Services and Disasters

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n2_5TtfOW9w/amateur_radio_emergency_services_and_disasters.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Electronic Design magazine reports on ham radio and emergency response issues

2159. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 1 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 16:26:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447f31cdd41b904cd717a37@google.com>
Source record: 1576
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HRD Announces Windows 8 update for UK users.

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 06:27 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366732-HRD-Announces-Windows-8-update-for-UK-users&goto=newpost

Tampa, FL October 31, 2012

HRD Software, LLC has released version 5.24.38 to fix a minor issue with
the UK version of Windows 8.

Erik Gawtry, KC0WWC, spent the last couple of days connected remotely into
a UK hams machine so he could pinpoint the issue with the least time needed.

Work also continues on version 6.0, the current beta build is 61. Beta team
continues their fine work in making sure 6.0 is solid when released.

Hams can rest assured that HRD will continue to run on machines with
Windows XP SP3 to Windows 8, providing an all-around solution for logging,
digital modes, radio control,rotor and more.

HRD Downloads: http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

HRD YouTubeChannel: http://www.youtube.com/HRDSoftware

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Storm forces NYC Internet hubs to run on generator power

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 08:52 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366673-Storm-forces-NYC-Internet-hubs-to-run-on-generator-power&goto=newpost

Storm forces Internet hubs to run on generator power

Manhattan power outage amid Hurricane Sandy hits critical communication
centers, including Google-owned building

By Patrick Thibodeau, ComputerWorld

http://www.computerworld.com/s/artic...ing_2012-10-31

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Computerworld - Two monolithic buildings in lower Manhattan that serve as major network hubs for the U.S. are operating on generator power, thanks to Hurricane Sandy.

The buildings, known as carrier hotels, are a 2.9 million square foot structure at 111 8th Ave., and a 1.8 million square foot facility at 60 Hudson St.

Telecom companies use carrier hotels to interconnect networks to allow data sharing and users of one network to connect with those of another. Thus, the two buildings are critical to the nation's infrastructure.

2160. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 1 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 18:01:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a707213fdb04cd719619@google.com>
Source record: 1577
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Dia do radioamador brasileiro - 5 de novembro - especial indicativo zw1cml

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 01:06 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366705-Dia-do-radioamador-brasileiro-5-de-novembro-especial-indicativo-zw1cml&goto=newpost

OS RADIOAMADORES ESTARÃO NOS DIAS 4 E 5 DE NOVEMBRO COMEMORANDO O SEU

"DIA DO RADIOAMADOR" - 5 DE NOVEMBRO - EM HOMENAGEM AO PATRONO PADRE
ROBERTO LANDELL DE MOURA - PREFIXO ESPECIAL DE ZW1CML.

UMA EQUIPE DE OPERADORES ESTARÁ PROMOVENDO UM CONTESTE NACIONAL E
INTERNACIONAL DIRETAMENTE DA ESTAÇÃO DO CLUBE MILITAR LAGOA - RUA JARDIM
BOTÂNICO, 391-JARDIM BOTÂNICO - RIO DE JANEIRO

HORÁRIO DAS 08:00 ÁS 20:00HORAS.

OS RADIOAMADORES DO BRASIL E DO MUNDO QUE FIZEREM CONTATO VIA RADIO OU
PESSOALMENTE , RECEBERÃO

O CARTÃO QSL ESPECIAL ZW1CML.

2161. Baltimore Hackerspace Open House Event

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 19:43:58 UTC
From: David Powell <davepow16@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <98383acb-3d0c-4e5c-9afc-2743c0285ad2@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1578

Hey HAMs,

I'm excited to announce that Baltimore Hackerspace has moved to a new location and we would like you to come help us celebrate. Come socialize, learn and check out the facility. We will have our projects on display and will be doing a couple workshops. There is also a rumor that there may be food!

When: November 17th, 2012
Time: Noon - whenever
Where: 6410 Landay Ave. Baltimore MD 21237

Please Register on meetup.com so we know how many people to expect.
http://www.meetup.com/Baltimore-Hackerspace/events/89508782/

About Baltimore Hackerspace

In 2009 Harford Hackerspace was born when we spread the word about creating a place where programmers, electronics enthusiast, and people from all types of backgrounds can hang out on a weekly basis. We operated out of a members garage for several years and have finally moved into a facility where members can have 24/7 access to great tools and knowledge to accomplish anything they want. We changed our name to Baltimore Hackerspace shortly after moving into the new space. Now that we have the space setup we again want to spread the word that such a space exist in Baltimore.

Thank You
Baltimore Hackerspace

2162. The ARRL Letter for November 1, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 22:04:18 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121101211753.29841279DB@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1579
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: AS HURRICANE SANDY WREAKS HAVOC ON EAST COAST,
HAMS HEED THE CALL TO HELP

Even though Hurricane Sandy was declared a post-tropical cyclone by
the time it made its final landfall -- just 5 miles southwest of
Atlantic City, New Jersey at about 8 PM EDT on Monday, October 29 --
the storm still had winds in excess of 80 miles per hour. Hams across
the region, from the Carolinas to Maine, responded to requests for
assistance and activated local nets, supported the Hurricane Watch
Net's and the VoIP Hurricane Net's operations, assisted their local and
state Emergency Operations Centers and provided assistance at shelters
and wherever needed. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/as-hurricane-sandy-wreaks-havoc-on-east-coast-hams-
heed-call-to-help>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: HAWAII HAMS ACTIVATE FOR TSUNAMI WARNING
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On Saturday, October 27, radio amateurs in Hawaii responded to a tsunami warning, providing valuable and timely information to emergency management officials. The tsunami was triggered by a magnitude 7.7 earthquake which struck at struck at 5:04 PM HST (0304 UTC on Sunday, October 28) in the Queen Charlotte Islands, located off the coast of British Columbia, Canada.

At 7:14 PM HST, the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center sent out a tsunami warning and said that the tsunami had an estimated wave arrival time of 10:28 PM. After being notified, Hawaii State Civil Defense RACES Coordinator Ron Hashiro, AH6RH, began notifying Oahu leaders via cell phone while ARRL Hawaii Section Emergency Coordinator Kevin Bogan, AH6QO, began activating the ARES Emergency Coordinators on each island. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/hawaii-hams-activate-for-tsunami-warning>.

==> + ROBIN WALBRIDGE, KD4OHZ, MISSING AT SEA AFTER SINKING OF TALL SHIP BOUNTY; SHIP'S ELECTRICIAN DOUG FAUNT, N6TQS, RESCUED

Every DXer knows the story of the HMS Bounty and Pitcairn Island, VP6: In 1789, the HMS Bounty -- a small three-masted sailing vessel sent by Britain's Royal Navy to the Pacific on a supply expedition -- was roiled by tension between its crew and its captain, William Bligh. After landing in Tahiti and taking on a cargo of breadfruit, the Bounty set sail for the West Indies; it never reached that destination. Instead, Master's Mate Fletcher Christian led the men in a mutiny, eventually allowing Bligh and his loyalists to sail off in a longboat. After an arduous journey, they reached safety at the Dutch-owned port of Kupang. Christian and his followers ended up on Pitcairn Island where they burned the Bounty and settled on the island. Passing ships did not discover the enclave until after the turn of the century.

On Monday, October 29, a replica of the Bounty <http://www.tallshipbounty.org/> -- built in 1960 for a remake of the 1962 film Mutiny on the Bounty -- sank off the coast of North Carolina as Hurricane Sandy made its way toward New Jersey. Of its 16 crew members, 14 were rescued by the US Coast Guard. Bounty Captain Robin Walbridge, KD4OHZ, never made it to one of the two deployed life rafts and is presumed dead. Claudene Christian, who claimed to be a direct descendent of Fletcher Christian, was unresponsive and passed away at a North Carolina hospital on Monday evening.

Doug Faunt, N6TQS, of Oakland, California, was one of the 14 who was rescued by the Coast Guard; Faunt served as a deckhand and was also the ship's electrician. A noted DXer and ARRL Life Member, he was part of the FO0AAA DXpedition crew in 2000 to Clipperton Island. He was also a member of the VP6DIA DXpedition to Ducie Island, and in 2007, he was part of the DXpedition to Lakshadweep. According to Spud Roscoe, VE1BC, Faunt had satellite communications equipment and Winlink capabilities on board the Bounty, but he was not the ship's radio officer. "Sailing on replica ships was a hobby of Doug's," Roscoe told the ARRL. "He had previously sailed across the Great Australian Bight on a replica of the HMB Endeavour <http://www.anmm.gov.au/site/page.cfm?u=1437>, Captain

Cook's ship. He was an able seaman of the watch." Roscoe was the radio officer on the replica Bounty for its original voyage to France in 1962.

Faunt told the ARRL that the Bounty crew tried various methods, including a satellite phone, to call for help, "but we got nothing when tried calling out on HF. We tried calling the Maritime Mobile Net, but nothing was out there. We had Winlink on the ship that we used for e-mail and accessing the Internet to post to blogs and to Facebook, and we finally found an e-mail address for the Coast Guard. As a last-ditch effort, we used Winlink to e-mail the Coast Guard for help. Within an hour, we heard a C-130 plane, and later, a helicopter overhead." According to Faunt, it was Walbridge, as master of the ship, who sent out the distress messages.

"I don't know how I made it off the ship," Faunt recalled. "I had finished serving a long watch, and then we started going down. I was exhausted. I had to swim to get to the life raft. The water was full of rigging, and here I am, in my Gumby suit, trying to swim. It was so difficult. While swimming to the raft, I came up for air and a spar was coming at me. I finally found a raft and tried to climb into it, but I almost didn't make it, tired as I was. Through the help of my shipmates who were already aboard the raft, I got on." The two life rafts were out about 100 miles from shore when they were rescued.

The vessel left Connecticut on Thursday, October 25 with a crew of 11 men and five women, ranging in age from 20-66. After being treated at a hospital in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, Faunt arrived back home in California on Wednesday, October 31. "I'm looking for a new boat to sail and a DXpedition to go on," Faunt told the ARRL. "Ham radio got me into my position on the Bounty, and ham radio got me out alive!"

==> NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE GEORGE HART DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Each year at its Annual Meeting in January, the ARRL Board of Directors bestows the George Hart Distinguished Service Award to a League member whose service to the ARRL's Field Organization is of the most exemplary nature. This award is named in honor of George Hart, W1NJM, long-time Communications Manager at ARRL Headquarters and chief developer of the National Traffic System.

Selection criteria for the George Hart Distinguished Service Award include:

- Operating record with the National Traffic System, or
- Participation within the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), or
- Station appointments and/or leadership positions held within the Field Organization.

Nominations for the George Hart Distinguished Service Award shall be accepted from anyone and shall be submitted to the Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager at ARRL Headquarters by November 1.

Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the nominee's lifetime activities and achievements within the ARRL Field Organization. It is expected that nominated candidates will have 15 or more years of distinguished service. The Programs and Services Committee will serve as the Review Committee, with the Board of Directors making the final determination at its Annual Meeting in January. Recipients will be given an engraved plaque and cover letter, and will be profiled in QST <http://www.arrl.org/qst>.

Nominations for the 2013 George Hart Distinguished Service Award, including any related supporting material and letters of recommendation, may be e-mailed to ARRL Headquarters to the attention of ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N <nn1n@arrl.org>, or to ARRL Field and Public Service Team Supervisor Steve Ewald, WV1X <wv1x@arrl.org>. Nominations and supporting materials must be received no later than November 1, 2012 to be considered.

==> ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster. As one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2012-international-humanitarian-award>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity quieted this week, with the average daily sunspot numbers down nearly 37 points to 58.4 and the average daily solar flux declining 27 points to 116.9. The predicted solar flux values are 105 and 100 for November 1-2, 95 on November 3-4, 100 on November 5-6, 105 on November 7, 120 on November 8-11, 125 on November 12-13, 130 on November 14 and peaking at 135 on November 15-20. It then drops to a minimum of 100 on November 29-December 1, then back to a high of 135 by mid-December. The predicted planetary A index is 20, 10 and 8 on November 1-3, 5 on November 4-5, 7 on November 6-7, then 10, 20 and 15 on November 8-10, back down to 5 on November 11-December 4, and 10, 20 and 15 again on December 5-7. A coronal mass ejection (CMA) hit the Earth's magnetic field at 1530 UTC on October 31. This contributes to the prediction of a planetary A index of 20 on November 1. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, November 2. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page

<http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: JAMES KLITZING, W6PQL, WINS OCTOBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the October QST Cover Plaque award is James Klitzing, W6PQL, for his article "Solid State 1 kW Linear Amplifier for 2 Meters." Congratulations James! The QST Cover Plaque Award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the November issue today.

==> + 2012 ARRL FIELD DAY RESULTS NOW ONLINE

If you can't wait for your December issue of QST <http://www.arrl.org/qst> to arrive in the mail to see how you did in the 2012 ARRL Field Day, don't worry! The results -- including a copy of the QST article <http://www.arrl.org/files/file/ContestResults/2012/2012-FD-QST.pdf> (with line scores) and a results database <http://www.arrl.org/results-database?event_id=37444> -- are now available on the ARRL website. Be sure to also check out the 101 comments in the Field Day Soapbox <http://www.arrl.org/contests/soapbox>. It's not too soon to start making plans for next year -- the 2013 ARRL Field Day is scheduled for June 22-23, 2013. Just a note: The results from Wyoming are missing in print edition of QST; they will appear in the digital edition of QST, as well as online.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- November 2 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 3 -- IPARC Contest (CW)
- November 3-4 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>; Ukrainian DX Contest
- November 3-5 -- ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW) <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>
- November 4 -- IPARC Contest (SSB); High Speed Club CW Contest; DARC 10 Meter Digital Contest
- November 6 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- November 9 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 10-11 -- Kentucky QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (RTTY); 10-10 International Fall Contest (Digital); JIDX Phone Contest; OK/OM DX Contest (CW)
- November 10-11 -- CQ-WE Contest
- November 11 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon
- November 12 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint

- November 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test
- November 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- November 3-4 -- ARRL Georgia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/georgia-state-convention-stone-mountain-hamfest-computer-expo-1>,
Lawrenceville, Georgia
- November 4 -- ARRL Iowa Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/iowa-section-convention-41st-annual-drac-hamfest-computer-show'>,
Davenport, Iowa
- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery, Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-computer-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfest>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo, Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat

ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

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2163. eHam.net News for Thursday 1 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-01 22:30:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405713cd8fe04cd768f6b@google.com>
Source record: 1580
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Northampton County's Emergency Management Director Gives County Update:

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 05:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29248

Municipalities across Northampton County are still struggling to reconnect with the surrounding community as officials attempt to assess the damage from superstorm Sandy. Bob Mateff, director of emergency management, said officials from utility companies, the National Guard and the Red Cross have gathered at the Northampton County 911 Center as organization efforts begin. Coordination among the various organizations has run smoothly, he said, but the widespread destruction left in Sandy's wake means it could be days before electricity and other services are restored. As of now, cellular phone and power service is spotty in some regions, Mateff said. Some municipalities are completely disconnected, and amateur radio operators have been sent to Wind Gap and Lower Saucon Township to so officials there can get into contact with the 911 center. Many area hospitals are operating on backup generators, and the 911 center is working to ensure they have fuel to keep them operating until power can be restored.

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Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters:

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 05:02 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29247

The second morning after Hurricane Sandy hit the East Coast seems like a good time for Electronic Design readers to think about ham radio and emergency response issues. I got involved in these issues myself when my neighbor, Dave, told me about his experiences after the Loma Prieta earthquake in 1989. Dave's a lawyer, so he was down at the Courthouse when the quake struck. At the time, the courthouse and the police station were co-located. The police station had (still has) a ham radio station (HF, VHF, UHF) on the premises. Those were both good things, because what there was of a public safety communications structure in Northern California came down with the quake, and for all anybody knew, so had the overpasses on 101 and I-280, the main north-south corridors. (They hadn't, but were rumored to.)

2164. HOT VIDEOS 2 HOT PEOPLE AND ACTRESSES NEVER SEEN PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 02:04:08 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <2d33ebd1-2625-4871-8ff5-cbdab308567c@q5g2000pbk.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1581

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2165. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 1 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 02:44:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93b64daaf2b5304cd7a1cce@google.com>
Source record: 1582
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio buffs battle to get messages through council red tape -
Sydney Morning Herald

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 06:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNES-rDAUpey4WQH5Kgj3eFntJ1iQg&url=http://www.smh.com.au/national/amateur-radio-buffs-battle-to-get-messages-through-council-red-tape-20121030-28hno.html

Sydney Morning Herald
Amateur radio buffs battle to get messages through council red tape
Sydney Morning Herald
The century-old pursuit of amateur radio involves sending and receiving data over selected frequency bands. Traditionalists transmit Morse code or voice; the new breed either circumvents the internet by sending digital data over the airwaves, or uses ...

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Baldwin's Sunday to Sunday Calendar - Press-Register - al.com (blog)

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 08:24 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEwgzShw97ClpVG5EHVGFWXiZiRSQ&url=http://blog.al.com/pr-community-news/2012/11/baldwins_sunday_to_sunday_cale_4.html

Baldwins Sunday to Sunday Calendar
Press-Register - al.com (blog)
Reservations are required. For more information, visit www.southbaldwinnewcomers.org. SOUTH BALDWIN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB will conduct testing for all classes of Ham radio licenses at 7 p.m. Nov. 8 at The Blake at Malbis. Testing is done the second ...

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Amateur Radio club wants weather transmitter in Minden - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 31 Oct 2012 11:41 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGsmmDix8lGBW0EjW8RHV5wAJDRig&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/amateur_radio_club_wants_weather_transmitter_in_minden.htm

Amateur Radio club wants weather transmitter in Minden
Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Amateur Radio club wants weather transmitter in Minden. The Minden Times reports that the Minden Amateur Radio Club is hoping to improve weather coverage for residents of Minden Hills and the county. President Dorian Young VE3YNG spoke about the ...

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Amateur radio operators help others weather the storm - WREX-TV

Posted: 25 Oct 2012 04:24 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGEDQjkGWF1NUOrs6IyKbZn-FAoXQ&url=http://www.wrex.com/story/19919265/amateur-radio-operators-help-others-weather-the-storm

Amateur radio operators help others weather the storm
WREX-TV
Its a method of communication and depending on propagation, you could speak to anyone in the world." Hes part of the Big Thunder Amateur Radio Club, a group of guys who make it a hobby to offer two-way communication to people at other amateur radio ...

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Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School - STLtoday.com

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 10:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGIagSmFEqXyv0ytQysIEZlU5LUQ&url=http://www.stltoday.com/suburban-journals/stcharles/education/ham-radio-back-in-style-at-st-charles-high-school/article_6d9d50cc-6fe7-5466-aa31-eba38bf0dc03.html

Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School
STLtoday.com
Students at St. Charles High participate in fox hunts in which they use their radio to search for hidden antennae and will try to make the most contacts during field days organized by the St. Charles Amateur Radio Club. Young interest in the hobby has ...

2166. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 261

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 06:21:22 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <7ECEDFC63EEB4702B161F52B4E2925DD@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 1583
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 261

2 November 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

· Congratulations to Peter LAKE ZL2AZ

· VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF Contest Committee reminder

· ZL9HR DX'Pedition update

Debby says…I have had rather a hectic two weeks with the mail-out of some 3000+ promotional letters to non-members. Hopefully I will be just as hectic in the next couple with all acceptance replies J

On the subject of payments, I will soon be posting out reminder notices for those who have yet to pay the 2013 subscription and wish to take advantage of the early payment rebate, which runs out at the end of this month.

Please note I do not issue receipts unless specifically requested when you return your remittance advice.

With recent publication of Call Book, I have been advised of a number of silent keys. I appreciate you all letting me know of the silent keys still listed in there, but also would remind you, that while I am happy to release the call sign, I can only act on the proper authority. I have attached the appropriate form to this issue, which is required for me to do so.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Peter Lake ZL2AZ Chairman of IARU Region 3

NZART Council on behalf of all members wished to congratulate Peter Lake ZL2AZ on the unanimous election by the Directors of IARU Region 3 as their Chairman for their remaining term and offers full support to him.

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 261

PROPOSALS

Published for the information of, and seeking comments from, members.

Branch 69 Kapiti has applied to change the frequency of its 144.650 MHz Digipeater at Mount Field, located at TOPO50 BP32 775757. The proposed transmit and receive frequency is 144.575 MHz, in accordance with the band plan.

Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a Digital Amateur TV Repeater at Belmont, located at TOPO50 BQ32 570.40 396.30.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO NZART COUNCIL

None this time.

LICENCE RENEWALS

In the next few days, FMTAG will be sending an Invoice, for $51.11 per licence, for repeaters owned by the following Branches:

05 Christchurch 26
Nelson

28 Whangarei 34
South Canterbury

37 Southland 38
Taumarunui

48 Wanganui 49
Westland

51 Eastern Bay of Plenty 56
Christchurch West

67 Kawerau 78 Far
North

82 Southern Wairarapa 84 Bay of
Islands

87 South Taranaki CARDS

Other Branches will receive their Invoices direct from RSM, by email, to the address registered in SMART. Many of these direct-billing Branches also have an RSM “Billing Month” of November. However, the “Billing Month” of a particular licence can be confirmed by the following method. Go to:

http://www.rsm.govt.nz/smart-web/smart/page/-smart/WelcomePage.wdk

Click on “Search Licences”.

Enter the transmit frequency in the box “Frequency (From)”.

Click on the “Search” button.

All stations on that frequency will be displayed.

Click on the blue underlined number, at the left-hand-side of the screen, of the appropriate station.

The Licence will appear.

The line “Fees paid on” displays the “Billing Month” of the Licence.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST NEWS

OCTOBER MICROWAVE CONTEST

Preliminary results – subject to audit

Congratulations to Steven, ZL1AVS, for a clean sweep of the 1296 MHz, 3400 MHz and 10368 MHz bands, in the Microwave Contest, held on the 6th and 7th of October 2012.

Following audit, the confirmed results will be sent by email to all contestants submitting a log, and will be published on the VHF Group website at:

www.vhf.org.nz

THE NEXT CONTEST

The next contest is the Field Day Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the DX Weekend Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of February 2013. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The Contest Rules are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

Or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

ZL9HR Update

Campbell Island DX'Pedition activation is just a month away and all is on schedule. All the equipment has arrived at the storage facility in Invercargill New Zealand. Some of the team are already in New Zealand, others will arrive over the next few weeks. There will be a quarantine inspection of all of the gear and then it will be loaded onto the boat that will take the equipment and team down to Campbell Island.

It's not to late to vote for which bands and modes you will like to work ZL9HR on – go to www.zl9hr.com to vote and to find out all the details of this major DX'Pedition.

DX'Pedition data
Location - Campbell Island - IOTA OC-037 - 450 miles south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean.
- 15th. most sought after DXCC location in the world (and an amazingly beautiful nature reserve).
Dates - 28th. November to 9th. December.
Group - Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia with a team of experienced international operators.
Call Sign - ZL9HR
Website - www.zl9hr.com

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Nov 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy. All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Nov 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News

6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
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2167. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 261 - Attachment

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Date: 2012-11-02 07:09:53 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1F7260036BC04CA4BBF398D0F2415118@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 1584
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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2168. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 4 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 08:42:08 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <041243e2-7b4a-41dd-8258-54d50b243b9a@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1585
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-11-04.mp3
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WIANEWS - NOVEMBER 4 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 4 2012.

pt0s - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks 10 - 22 November.

cLUBS - by WIA Director Bob Bristow VK6POP

HURRICANE SANDY - The fictional Sandy 1997

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING NOV 04 2012.

Ready for the IARU Region 3 conference

Delegates are prepared for the International Amateur Radio Union Region 3
conference being held in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

The WIA delegate is Geoff Atkinson VK3TL, with Peter Young VK3MV.

Robert Broomhead caught up with Geoff who is getting ready to Head to 'Nam.

The 15th triennial conference, hosted by the Vietnam Amateur Radio Club,
is themed 'emergency communications' and reflects the frequent disasters
that involve amateur radio. Several papers on that theme are to be discussed.

In seeking to standardise privileges and licensing, the Directors have asked that consideration be given to one of their papers, which explores issues facing societies in working with their administration in the 21st century.

There are reports from the IARU Region 1 and 2, member societies, Amateur Radio Direction Finding, Monitoring Service, Beacons, Satellites, the Award and STARS or Support of The Amateur Radio Service in Region 3 program.

The delegates will also talk about regional finances and the constitution. The IARU Region 3 conference is in the Kimdo-Royal Hotel, Ho Chi Minh City from November 5 to 9.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, audio Robert Broomhead VK3DN)

Queensland's Treasurer and Minister for Trade, the Honourable Tim Nicholls has called for expressions of interest from parties wanting to participate in the Government Wireless Network project, which will enhance digital radio-communications.

Mr Nicholls said this new Qld Government Wireless Network would improve safety & security at major events such as the G20 summit in Brisbane and the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast by allowing for greater coordination between agencies.

(Projects Queensland website via VK4BAT)

The federal government will allocate only half the radio spectrum sought by emergency services, a move state premiers say puts lives in danger.

Under the preliminary plan announced Monday last by Attorney-General Nicola Roxon & and theACMA, emergency services
will be given 10 megahertz of total spectrum for their exclusive use - less than half the minimum police and fire services were demanding.

The spectrum will be offered in the same 800 megahertz band used by Telstra and Vodafone for its 3G networks.

(fin review)

This is Roger Harrison VK2ZRH

The battle over NSW planning restrictions on amateur radio antenna masts continues apace.

As I reminded listeners on last week's broadcast, the NSW Government is undertaking comprehensive reform to its planning laws - the first review in more than 30 years.

But the State's department of Planning and Infrastructure has told the Sydney Morning Herald that they're not planning any changes to amateur radio aerial regulation.

A spokesman told journalist Nicole Hasham from the Sydney Morning Herald that ''allowing higher aerials without a detailed development application process could cause unacceptable streetscape and neighbourhood safety issues''.

This is in a story published in the Sydney Morning Herald on page 5 of the Wednesday 31st October issue. You'll find a link on the WIA website. Or go to the SMH website and enter Amateur Radio into the search panel.

The story is headlined: "Amateur radio buffs battle to get messages through council red tape".

Amateurs of NSW, you need to tell the planning reform bureaucrats that this attitude makes you mad as hell and you're not going to take it anymore !

Many of you made submissions when the whole process opened up a year ago.

If you sent a submission last year, you need to do it again. And get all your mates to write and send a submission.

It isn't hard. Full details of how to do it are on the WIA website under "Antenna Masts in NSW - More Submissions Required".

It's time to express your disappointment at being left out of the planning reforms. You have until close of business on Friday 9th November - that's this coming Friday.

In the meantime, the WIA has lodged a submission to the Local Government Regulation Review, which is now on the WIA website news under "Antenna Masts in NSW". The submission has been published on the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal website.

Amateurs of NSW - the battle has only just begun. Get cracking !

There'll be more to do once you've sent this lot of submissions. I will reveal more in the weeks to come.

In the meantime, I'd like to thank those who helped get the Sydney Morning Herald story together: the St George, Manly-Waringah and Waverley Amateur Radio Societies, plus Mark Chapman VK2MP, Compton Allen VK2HRX and Jim Linton VK3PC.

This is Roger Harrison VK2ZRH

Radio Hams battle to get messages through council red tape

The Brisbane Times reports on the battle by radio amateurs against Council regulations that restricts the type of antenna they can put up

Far from simply a backyard hobby, amateur radio can be critical during natural disasters yet the council currently insists permission must be sought to erect aerials more than 1.8 metres above roof level, which can require an onerous development application.

Read the full story at
http://www.brisbanetimes.com.au/national/amateur-radio-buffs-battle-to-get-messages-through-council-red-tape-20121030-28hno.html

WIA BOARD TALK

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Clubs are the backbone of organised Amateur Radio in any given location.

Although it's entirely possible to live a full and busy Amateur Radio life outside of a club, there are many reasons why joining and participating in a club are beneficial to you.

There is evidence that a person who has social capital will fare better in terms of their enjoyment of life and in their mental health.

What is social capital? It's pretty easy - you've probably worked it out already. It's the things you do together with other people, the clubs and groups that you participate in, and the friends and family that you engage with regularly.

So even before we look at the benefits to Amateur Radio, especially your Amateur Radio career, having social capital puts you in a good position to enjoy a socially healthy life.

Now let's look at clubs. By participating in a club, you get to share your own experiences and knowledge, and at the same time benefit from others sharing the same things.

A group of people working together in a club setting can bring about some great results that individuals would find it hard to achieve.

In these days of increasing restrictions on what we as Amateurs can do in our own backyards, we can look to Clubs to provide a shack and have a decent crop of antennas. Where your Amateur Radio activities may be restricted at home, in the club setting you're back in the good old days.

So there are lots of perfectly acceptable self-centred reasons for being a member of an Amateur Radio Club and a load of other reasons to be part of a sharing community.

So if you've not considered joining a club, or you've fallen away from club membership and wondering why your Amateur Radio life has dulled down, stop awhile and consider or reconsider your local clubs.

The Wireless Institute of Australia supports Amateur Radio Clubs by advertising them on its website, making affordable club insurance available, giving space in the Amateur Radio Magazine for club reports and activities, and the Club Grant Scheme.

I'm Bob VK6POP

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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C.R.A.R.C. will shortly hold their Bi Monthly Foundation weekend course, this on the 10th and 11th November, also running concurrently, any upgrades that are required on the Saturday of the Foundation Course.

This will be CRARC's last course for this year, next scheduled Foundation course with Upgrade assessments will be 9th and 10th March 2013, BUT if you need an assessment before March, just email education@crarc.ampr.org with your requirements.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

A proposed new homebrew construction group will meet on Saturday, November the 10th from 2pm, with Rob Whitmore VK3MQ is the chair, at 40G Victory Boulevard, Ashburton.

Also at the venue on the following Tuesday, November the 13th, starting at 8pm, is the next quarterly speaker night meeting with the topic 'Demystify SWR' presented by Peter Cossins VK3BFG.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Sunday 25th November, the Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club (SPARC) will be holding its inaugural RadioFest at Rosebud on the beautiful Mornington Peninsula, less than an hour's drive from the southern and eastern suburbs of Melbourne.

The event will be held at the Eastbourne Primary School auditorium at Allambi Avenue, Rosebud, where off street parking is available.

Ticket sales and outdoor "Show and Tell" activities will commence at 8 am and the Auditorium will open to the public at 9.30 am with an entry fee of $5.

Catering for the event is being handled by the school's Parent and Friends Association and a large menu will be available at very reasonable costs.

Bring your partner and make a day of it on the Mornington Peninsula on the 25th November.

For further information including table bookings visit www.rosebudradiofest.com

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

USA

Hurricane Sandy knocked out a small number of 911 call centres, forcing the emergency service to be re-routed, the Federal Communications Commission's top official said on Tuesday.

Some of the rerouted calls came in without location information that police or fire-fighters need to find the caller, FCC Chairman told a news conference.

25 per cent of cell phone towers and other cell sites in the states hit by Sandy were knocked out of service while still more were running on backup power.

The FCC had three "roll call" teams ready with specialized equipment that can analyse which frequencies are still carrying signals and which

frequencies have gone dark. The information helps FEMA and state officials restore communications services.

In uptown Manhattan, data centres hosted in a "telecom hotel" that houses Google's New York headquarters were reporting outages as well, apparently because backup power failed when commercial power was cut Monday evening.

Renesys Corp., which monitors the pathways of the Internet, said New York is a major transit point for international telecommunications traffic, and the firm said carriers were scrambling to route traffic around it.

Amazingly, way back in 1997 Radio Hams prepared a Hurricane Sandy Drill

This a drill for Hurricane Sandy hitting the East Coast 15 years ago, in October 1997.

The Simulated Emergency Test was carried out by members of the American Radio Relay League in Westchester County, New York. They envisaged that a fictional Hurricane called Sandy would take a path that brought it through northern New Jersey and New York State.

The 1997 Hurricane Sandy Drill was based on a real hurricane that occurred in 1938.

The original web pages from the Hurricane Sandy drill are still available online at http://www.weca.org/SET/ as well as in the Internet Archive at http://www.archive.org/

Read the New York Observer story "The First Hurricane Sandy":- http://observer.com/2012/10/the-first-hurricane-sandy/

AS THE REAL HURRICANE SANDY WREAKS HAVOC ON EAST COAST, HAMS HEEDED THE CALL TO HELP

Even though Hurricane Sandy was declared a post-tropical cyclone by the time it made its final landfall -- just 5 miles southwest of Atlantic City, New Jersey at about 8 PM EDT on Monday, October 29 -- the storm still had winds in excess of 80 miles per hour. Hams across the region, from the Carolinas to Maine, responded to requests for assistance and activated local nets, supported the Hurricane Watch Net's and the VoIP Hurricane Net's operations, assisted their local and state Emergency Operations Centers and provided assistance at shelters and wherever needed.

arrl.org/news/as-hurricane-sandy-wreaks-havoc-on-east-coast-hams-heed-call-to-help

Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1838 for November 2 2012 has an excellent report:- Yes as Hurricane Sandy made her way across the Caribbean and then up along the U.S. East Coast ham radio operators had been tracking the storms every move.

When she made landfall on the New Jersey shore they were ready to respond.

Mark Abramowicz, NT3V reports with whats known so far on arnewsline.org

GERMANY;

Germany's national amateur radio society, the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club, or DARC, will be asking the German Commission for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies to oppose a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard.

During its October 22nd meeting, the DARC Board discussed the pros and cons of the proposed draft standard. While it said that it recognizes the new draft provided for some non-binding commitments for notching out of certain frequencies in the amateur bands, it also noted that it fears the future ambitions of the manufacturers of other PLC products in the direction of higher limits for the emission of harmful electromagnetic or EMC interference.

This could lead to a weakening of the previous limits in other European EMC standards.

This new standard concerns the devices that people install in their homes to run data over their house wiring. It has nothing to do with PLC or BPL that is carried over the company power networks.

INDIA:

A group of students in Gujarat will reach out to the stars.

For the first time in India, about 500 students will have a live chat with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, the Indian-origin astronaut aboard the International Space Station, through Ham radio set-up at Science City in Ahmedabad.

"We have got a go-ahead from National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Nasa) to organise the talk and are trying to hold the event on November 14, celebrated as Children's Day in India.

It is a great opportunity for the students as they would be talking to KD5PLB Sunita Williams in space. As she has roots in Gujarat, it is all the more special for us," said Ravi Saxena, additional chief secretary, department of science and technology.

The scientific community from the state contacted Nasa soon after Williams set off for her record-breaking journey in July this year.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

CLOSURE OF TV CHANNEL 1 AND ZL ACCESS TO 6 METERS UPDATE

Changes will be coming to the 6 meter band
down-under, but not as quickly as some hams in
New Zealand had hoped for. Amateur Radio
Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports:

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Amateurs across New Zealand may have to wait a
bit longer to get full access to the 6 meter

band. As previously reported, 50 to 51 MHz
down-under is to be returned to amateur radio
once all Channel 1 television has ceased using
the spectrum and the current management right for this band expires.

What may not be known by some hams is that the
last New Zealand channel 1 television transmitter
is not due to close down until November
2013. After that, the management right under
which it operates does not expire until August 2015.

Because of this, the New Zealand national amateur
radio society, NZART, is working with the
nations Radio Spectrum Management on arrangements
for the period between when all the Channel 1
transmitters are turned off and their management
right expires. In the meantime any New Zealand
amateur in an area where TV channel 1 is no
longer operating can apply for a permit to operate on the band.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen,
ZL2BHF, down-under in Nelson, New Zealand

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IRTS NEWS DESK

IRTS Technical Panel

We at the IRTS are planning to launch a new service for our membership.
In our ongoing endeavours to engage more fully with our membership we have
identified an area we feel could be of significant benefit to them.

The IRTS Technical Panel is a group of volunteers who have expertise in,
or experience of, different aspects of amateur radio.

A single point of contact for communicating with the Panel and the aim is
to help radio amateurs with technical or operational problems.

The query will be distributed to all the members of the Technical Panel
and the resolution to the query e-mailed back to the member.

This another first from the IRTS.

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OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW JIDX Contest November 10-11
WW WAE RTTY November 10-11
WW CQ WW DX Contest CW November 24-25
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25
WW ARRL 160 MTR CONTEST November 30
WW RTTY Melee December 1
WW ARRL 10 m Contest December 8- 9

November 24-25 is the SPRING VHF-UHF Field Day

The VHF-UHF Field Days provide VHF-UHF operators with the opportunity to "head for the hills" and see how far they can work.

The Field Days have separate sections for single and multiple operator stations. The duration of the Field Day is 24 hours, but there are also 8 hour sections for operators who may not be able to camp overnight.

Most club stations prefer to operate for the full 24 hours.

The Field Days also generate plenty of activity from home stations, so there is also a separate Home Station section.

The scoring is based on grid locator squares. Each new square worked gives quite a boost to the score, and this encourages the entrants to operate from locations in grid squares that normally don't have a great amount of amateur activity.

There are no mode restrictions, except that all contacts must be simplex so contacts through repeaters or satellites are not allowed.

It is possible to do very well with only modest antennas if you pick a good hilltop. Another option, if your station is easily transportable, is to operate from more than one grid square during the contest period.

The overriding aim is to get away for the weekend and have fun!

But next after that, the aims are:

to encourage more activity on VHF and microwave bands;

to encourage people to work greater distances than usual by operating portable and to provide opportunities for people to activate or work into new grid squares.

2012 Remembrance Day Contest Results and Report

Alan VK4SN, the WIA RD Contest Manager, has posted to the WIA website a full 18 page PDF RD report that includes the AR blurb and many more statistics and soapbox comments.

Alan advises that there is also a PDF file of state winner certificates available for downloading so you can print off your own certificate if you were lucky enough to come 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in your state/territory/P2 or ZL.

VK4SN also adds that all major place getters will be receiving a mailed certificate from the WIA National Office.

Finally, Alan wishes everyone best 73 and thanks you for your logs and participation.

(theTARCinc)

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria several special stations are active until the end of 2012.
Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and 7Y50I.
Details of a special award in connection with this event can be found on QRZ.COM

E I 25 D B Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.

To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB will be aired between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013. The station will be operated by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led by Declan EI9HQ and Pete EI4GZB.

QSLs to Declan EI9HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

PT0S - DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks

10 - 22 November.

QSL Manager is HA7RY.

The actual dates will depend on weather conditions.

There had been an official ban on Amateur Radio activities from PY 0 S. Although the ban, which was created for environmental and safety reasons, remains in place, a special permit by Brazil's S.E.C.I.R.M. the Brazilian Navy, Ministry of Environment and LABRE to conduct a two week long operation.

(SouthGate/IRTS)

F4CYZ is operational from Morocco as CN2YZ through years end. His activity will be from the city of Tangier especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site with a log-check. It's in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

100 MHz to 6 GHz Transceiver for $300 ?

Forbes reports on Michael Ossmann's latest project, an Open Source transceiver covering 100 MHz to 6 GHz.

Although not stated in the article, it is presumed the RF output from the transceiver may only be a few milliwatts.

Read the Forbes article at http://www.forbes.com/sites/andygreenberg/2012/10/19/darpa-funded-radio-hackrf-aims-to-be-a-300-wireless-swiss-army-knife-for-hackers/

Surprisingly this proposed Open Source transceiver does not use an FPGA and has a low resolution, however, it points to a future of flexible software defined transceivers at a low price point.

The National Instruments company Ettus Research, founded by a radio amateur Matt Ettus N2MJI, produces the popular USRP(tm) family of SDR products which are

aimed at the high performance segment of the market. Further information at
http://www.ettus.com/

MEDIA WATCH
www.cq-amateur-radio.com/WorldRadio.html
VK Club Bulletins http://groups.yahoo.com/group/aarnie/
VK2 CCARC news ccarc.org.au/wp/2012/09/ccarc-news-12-31/

Don't forget Wednesday's story in the SMH on radio amateurs' battle with red
tape affecting antennas and masts. Online here:

smh.com.au/national/amateur-radio-buffs-battle-to-get-messages-through-council-red-tape-20
121030-28hno.html

(Roger VK2ZRH)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

Lily Hogan has been visiting Sweers Island with her family since she was
7 years old. She has always shown an interest in VK4SWE's "SOS machine!"
and she taught herself enough CW to make supervised QSOs with stations
in VK and overseas.

Two years ago she made several DX contacts on the ANZA DX Net, and went home
with a practice morse key and membership of ALARA, sponsored by Margaret
VK4AOE.

Now aged 13, she recently experienced her first 'pileup' and worked over
50 stations from Europe, Japan and the US. She competently logged callsigns,
gave RST reports, looked calls up on qrz.com and exchanged information if
she had been to that country or it was on her wish list.

She also had a lot of fun!

Here she is working Clem, president of Southside Amateur Radio Society-"

(Play audio--)

"Now she is having fun with lots of QSL cards coming in from all over the
world - the coolest geography lesson ever! Lily is very busy with school
and sports but she hopes to study for her Foundation License at some point
in the future.

This is Lyn VK4SWE from Sweers Island in the Gulf of Carpentaria."

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

Every three years, the Scouting movement has conducted a national Jamboree. The next one, known as AJ2013, is being held on the Fraser Coast at the Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park beginning 2nd January, next.

For about a fortnight this over 200 hectare site will be home to some 10,500 scouts and a total population exceeding 14,000 with leaders and contractors.

As has been announced on the Jamboree Facebook page, amateur radio will be one of the onsite activities and participation will help in gaining the special Jamboree Award.

(Follow the link from www.aj2013.scouts.com.au/)

For the amateurs, a special event call sign has been applied for and the word is going out amongst the locals that we would like amateurs to man the station. Previous recent experience with JOTA would help, as in Queensland and to meet Scouting Australia's requirements, volunteers must hold suitable working with children accreditation.

Keep tuned to WIA National News for further information.

For Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group, Inc. I'm Geoff, VK4ZPP

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that tomorrow, Monday November 5th the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's monthly news and information bulletin will be broadcast on a number of HF and VHF frequencies.

The principal HF transmissions will be on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz USB at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for Eastern states listeners, and again at 0200 beamed West for Western Australia.

During tomorrow numerous local relays will also take place on various VHF and lower HF frequencies. To find a frequency and time for your area,

please visit the RAOTC website at www.raotc.org.au (repeat).

Everyone, RAOTC members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half hour of Old Timer news, stories and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday November 5th, and we look forward to hearing from you during the call backs.

73 from Clive VK6CSW.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN - the Community Service Arm of the Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club, is seeking people to assist with the "Shannon's Safari Rally" being run by the Light Car Club of Canberra (LCCC) on Saturday 17th November.

For this event CRARC have been asked to support 4 Competitive Car Rally stages with each being run twice (making a total of 8 stages in the rally). This year's event will be very similar to last year's Safari Rally with the running of "Pearces East" and "Tidbinbilla" Stages out along Paddy's River Road, "Blue Range" out at Uriarra and the close to town "Bluetts" near Coppins Crossing.

11 field stations, Plus 4 or so people in HQ.

If you can assist, could you please notify Matt VK1MA and Phil VK1PL the Deputy State Coordinator, WICEN ACT

Mobile weather for emergencies

A free session on the Mobile Emergency Weather Station is available to those who will be attending the Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference in Malaysia.

It inventor Gregory Lee HS0ZHM, of the Rural Training Centre in Thailand, will cover the Weather Observation Log form, then the device set-up and its handbook.

Meaningful weather reports help the decisions by relief authorities and to improve helicopter flight operations.

The device enables hams to quickly gather weather data in a reliable manner for them to be reported by radio.

The session will be on November 11 at 10am in the Melaka House, Port Dickson. For more information contact Choy 9W2PCK choysegt@gmail.com

MYGAREC, from November 11 to 14, aims to involve those in amateur radio emergency communications.

It is their only annual meeting that delivers training, discusses what has occurred and includes new ideas of how to do things better in future.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

NOV 4 VK5 Today is Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society's HAMFEST

Nov 10 VK2 Westlake's ARC BBQ & car boot sale York St Teralba 12 midday.

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

DEC 1 VK7 Miena Hamfest

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your item write in the 3rd person.

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Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

We strongly encourage membership in the Wireless Institute of Australia and participation in the activities of local clubs.

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2169. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1838 - November 2 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 09:00:17 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121102090004.4AF7C33C45@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1586
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1838 - November 2 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1838 with a release date of November 2, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds to Hurricane Sandy and a Pacific Ocean Tsunami; a new video snowing A-P-R-S from the space station is made public, a record number of students take part in an ARISS contact and a look at the Ham Radio Salutes Hollywood operation from the historic C-B-S soundstage where it took place. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1838 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO MEETS KILLER HURRICANE SANDY

As Hurricane Sandy made her way across the Caribbean and the up along the U.S. East Coast ham radio operators had been tracking the storms every move. When she made landfall on the New Jersey shore they were ready to respond. Mark Abramowicz, NT3V is here with whats known so far:

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To be sure, the hams who responded to Hurricane Sandy will never, ever forget the destructive power of a superstorm that - to this point - has been unmatched in modern history.

It was New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, who the day following the storm striking along the state's barrier islands, summed up the grit and determination for the people of his state...

"We have a long road ahead of us but I have complete confidence we're going to come out of this better and stronger than before," Christie said. "This state is too tough to give in to this type of devastation."

And, in the immediate aftermath of the storm, radio operators in southern New Jersey were put to the test, especially in Atlantic and Ocean counties.

The first is home to Atlantic City, which ended up under water as the storm passed, and the second, home to Long Beach Island and other well-known seaside communities where homes were ripped apart and boats thrown into piles like toys in a child's messy play chest.

Southern New Jersey hams will remain on the job with relief coming into Atlantic County for shelters still being manned by Red Cross personnel.

John Zaruba, K2ZA, is ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator for Southern New Jersey,

Zaruba says hams went active Saturday morning - days before the storm arrived - and began moving equipment into position.

He says by Sunday night as the rain bands from Sandy starting closing in on New Jersey and tge wind began kicking up, operators were already out..

"There was a lot of good ground intelligence," Zaruba says. "You know where people were trying to get places and there was a lot of reporting of, 'Okay this road's flooded, you can't go here. You have to re-route and go this way.' So there was a lot of real-time information coming back that way."

Zaruba says the Red Cross was operational with shelters in-land, away from the coastal areas, before the storm hit...

"In some of the counties, seven or eight shelters actually operating," Zaruba says. "But as the storm passed through. They started consolidating things, getting people out that could go back to their homes and other people that needed more long-term sheltering. They started moving them into more consolidated shelter facilities."

At one point, Zaruba says there was a need for more equipment and section officials contacted ARRL headquarters and a response came quickly...

"We were able to get six 'Go Kits' sent down from the League to Ocean County and that went a long way toward easing their operational burden," Zaruba says.

As for the modes of communication, Zaruba says it was all voice...

"Primarily, we were using 2-meter FM," Zaruba says. "And, I've been a big proponent of using digital communications. But, here, again, we've got a bit of a way to go to get people focused in on that's an available tool in our tool kit and let's utilize it.

"Right now, most of the mindset revolves around voice communication."

Zaruba says hams in south Jersey are standing down, for the most part, and he's proud of their dedication and response...

"They did an outstanding job, to a person," Zaruba says. "All went above and beyond the call of duty. The folks in Ocean and Atlantic counties were pulling some brutal shifts."

And, Zaruba says, some of the volunteer radio operators also suffered some devastating losses themselves...

"Some hams that were talking about shore houses that have 20-25 inches of water in the bottom," Zaruba says. "And, granted those folks didn't sound real happy but as long as there were no lives lost, the house and the contents are all replaceable."

Now, on to New York, where Sandy socked the city hard.

Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, is ARRL section manager for New York/Long Island.

He says during the storm itself, operations were hunkering down like everyone else, but quick sprung into action once it passed.

"Despite the tremendous devastation that the city has faced, the role amateur radio played in the five boroughs was relatively small, "Lisenco says. "We manned the emergency operations center at the American Red Cross in mid-town Manhattan."

But Lisenco says the devastation is far worse outside the city and its environs...

"In Nassau Couny, the response has been rather large because a good portion of the southern part the county has seen complete devastation, primarily because they are very close to the water," Lisenco says. "The Red Cross has run a rather large sheltering operation in Nassau County. We've been providing communications for the shelters

"They've been running a resource net as well as a net for passing traffic back and forth between the shelters and to, of course, Red Cross headquarters in Nassau County."

Lisenco says the many hams responding to help faced some challenges even getting into position...

"The biggest problem I think we faced was the fact that there's these widespread power outages," Lisenco says. "We're talking about millions of people without power in the area. And, also what damage that was done with downed trees, power lines, a tremendous amount of sand washed up on shore, houses displaced, a large problem would then be in terms of transporting oneself to a location that they're supposed to be manning, such as a shelter.

"Even just driving around Brooklyn we have a lot of areas where they have no power. Lights are out. Driving, even during the day is somewhat tenuous. So imagine having to do that at night."

Lisenco says the effort in Nassau County remains very fluid and active and he expects emergency operations will continue for the coming days as we go to air on Friday, Nov. 2.

Lisenco and Zaruba from the southern New Jersey section agree on one thing.

It's important for all amateurs to realize the role they can play in their communities in times of disaster.

Lisenco sums it up...

"It's very easy for people to grow complacent over time when they feel their services aren't needed," Lisenco says. "But they need to keep in mind that emergencies happen at any point in tie, anywhere.

"And, they need to be involved at some level in the emergency communications aspect of amateur radio. Amateur radio is both a service and a hobby. And we can't lose sight of that. And, in order to participate in the hobby aspect, you have to give something back."

So, while New Jersey and New York have a long way to go in coping with the aftermath of Sandy, Lisenco and Zaruba say communities can rest assured amateur radio will be there when needed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Mark Abramowicz, NT3V, in Philadelphia.

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Obviously, reports are still coming in and it will be some time before we know the full extent of the work of radio amateurs in response to this event that's been called the perfect storm. More in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports.

(ARNewsline)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAWAII EMCOMM RADIO AMATEURS RESPOND TO TSUNAMI WARNING

Amateur radio operators in Hawaii responded to a tsunami warning on Saturday evening, October 27th. This by providing valuable information to emergency management officials after a magnitude 7.7 earthquake struck off the coast of British Columbia, Canada at 5:04 pm Hawaii Standard Tine.

At 7:14 pm, the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center upgraded an earlier bulletin to a warning with an estimated wave arrival time of 10:28 pm. At this point key members of Hawaii's emergency communications ham radio network were alerted by an automated text message system. One of them was Ron Hashiro AH6RH, is the Hawaii State Civil Defense RACES Coordinator.

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AH6RH: "With the estimated wave arrival time of 10:28 pm, we really had to hustle because now we were within the three hour time limit that we would normally sound sirens and of coarse all of that notification was subsequently delayed. The telephone alert process took 22 minutes and from there we had to mobilize and it took 40 minutes to get on site at the state EOC.

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Also alerted were ARES Emergency Coordinators on each island that make up the State of Hawaii. This lead to a call-up of various ARES and RACES nets. Hams were also dispatched to keep an eye on ocean levels

and report back:

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AH6RH: " We had Kalani Ku, WH6KX, on the north side of Maui at Kahului Harbor and Dave Garrison, AL4A, on the South side reporting ocean level changes. At 10:53 pm Kalani reported that the water was receding from Kahului Harbor and shortly thereafter Dave reported the same.

"For the next two hours WH6KX and AL4A passed timely reports of ocean level changes ranging from plus 2 feet to minus 3 feet below normal. The ocean level reports were received by hams at all the EOC's and passed on to their respective EOC operations."

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Once the Tsunami arrival time was well past, a determination was made to downgrade the warning to an advisory effective at 12:54 am. Nets stood down at about 10 minutes later.

AH6RH says that the only major incident that took place came in a notice from the Hilo EOC. Hams there reported that the receding water in Hilo Bay caused the bottom of boats to hit the floor of the bay. (ARNewsline(tm), AH6RH)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA4WPD repeater serving Rocky Mount North Carolina.

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RESTRUCTURING: SARL PRESENTS AMATEUR RADIO'S NEEDS IN THE MICROWAVE BANDS AT HEARING

The South African Radio League was to discuss amateur radio's needs for allocation in the 2.3; 3.5 and 5 GHz bands at a hearing with that nations telecommunications regulator held on November 1st and 2nd. The hearing dealt with the draft frequency migration regulation and frequency migration plans for this spectrum. Prior to the meeting the South African Radio League had put forward its requirements for allocations in these bands in line with the IARU Region 1 spectrum requirements for amateur radio use of these bands. Like many parts of the world, this region is also looking into ways to make more spectrum available to broadband and other emerging technologies. (SARL)

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RESCUE RADIO: MOBILE WEATHER TRAINING AT GAREC 2012

A free session on the Mobile Emergency Weather Station is available to those who will be attending the Global Amateur Radio Emergency Conference being held in Malaysia from November 11th to the 14th. Presented by its inventor Gregory Lee, HS0ZHM, of the Rural Training Centre in Thailand, the session will first cover the Weather Observation Log form and then take the trainees through the device set-up and its operation.

The Mobile Emergency Weather Station device enables hams to quickly gather weather data in a reliable manner for them to be reported by radio. Its ultimate goal is to provide meaningful weather reports from a disaster zone. This, to help in making the multitude of decisions by relief authorities and also to improve helicopter flight operations and safety.

The Mobile Emergency Weather Station session will be on November 11th at the Melaka House, in Port Dickson. For more information contact 9W2PCK by e-mail to choysegt (at) gmail (dot) com (VK3PC)

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RESCUE RADIO: SANTA CLARITA CALIFORNIA RESCUES STRANDED HIKER

A stranded hiker has been saved in California. On Sunday, October 28th, at approximately 1:15pm the Santa Clarita Valley Sheriffs Station Search and Rescue Team along with Los Angeles County Fire Department responded and rescued a 54-year-old female hiker from the narrows portion of Towsley Canyon.

When located, the hiker was suffering from heat exhaustion and dehydration. She was airlifted by a Los Angeles County Fire Department helicopter and brought to a safe landing zone where she was medically checked out by Search and Rescue team members, and fire department paramedics. The hiker was then released to her family.

At the time the incident occurred the team was helping out with the haunted jailhouse fundraiser. This by teaching children about rescues along with demonstrating some of the most common gear used during a rescue. When they received an emergency call regarding a stranded hiker they quickly decided how many members would deploy to Towsley Canyon and how many members would remain at the haunted jailhouse event.

The Santa Clarita Search and Rescue team is made up of highly trained individuals from all walks of life, several of whom are ham radio operators. Their backgrounds range from school teachers to contractors, to film directors and even rocket scientists. For further information please visit www.scvrescue.com (nixle.com)

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RADIO LAW: FCC PROHIBITS ROBOCALLING TO PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS

The government has put in place some rules to prevent automated telemarketing devices from calling emergency service providers. Jeff

Clark, K8JAC, has the details:

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Emergency Service providers are getting government protection from unwanted robocalls that can tie up their phone lines. This through the establishment a specialized Do-Not-Call registry for Public Safety Answering Points and prohibiting the use of robocalling equipment to contact registered Public Safety Answering Point phone numbers other than for an emergency purpose.

Public Safety Answering Points are typically 911 call centers that receive emergency calls and route them to emergency service personnel. By some estimates, hundreds or even thousands of unwanted robocalls are made to these centers each day, tying up public safety phone lines and diverting critical first responder resources away from the provision of emergency services.

Specifically, the new rules released on October 17th allow Public Safety Answering Points to upload any number associated with the provision of emergency services or communications with other public safety agencies onto a specialized Do-Not-Call registry. They also prohibit operators of rob calling equipment from using such equipment to contact any number on the registry except for an emergency purpose and adopt specific monetary penalties for contacting or disclosing numbers contained in the registry. In the case of violations prohibiting disclosure or dissemination of registered numbers, the new law provides for monetary penalties of up to $1,000,000 per incident.

The rules also address concerns voiced by the public safety community in comments to the FCC about the potential problems unwanted texts to Public Safety Answering Points may pose in the future. For violations of the prohibition on robocall texting numbers on the registry, the law provides for monetary penalties that are not less than $10,000 per call or text or more than $100,000 per call or text.

For the Amateur adio Newsline, I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC

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For those that have never heard the term robocalling, those are the irritating automated telemarketing calls that seem to be growing in number each day. And in more and more instances the operators of these machines seem to be programming them to call back incessantly if you hang up and keep on doing so until you give some type of response. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FBI AND STINGRAY VS PUBLIC RIGHT TO KNOW

Tracking cell phones by tricking them into operating on a bogus network is a law enforcement tactic shrouded in secrecy. Now the FBI is under pressure to release information about it-but the bureau doesn't want to

let go of 25,000 pages of documents on sophisticated cell surveillance technology.

In an Arizona court case last year it was made public that the FBI had used a cell-site simulator in order to track down a suspect. The portable equipment, sometimes described as either an I-M-S-I catcher or a Stingray, covertly sends out a signal that fools all phones within a specific area into connecting to a fake network. The spy tool can force targeted phones to release unique identity codes that can then be used to track a person's movements in real time.

But not everyone likes the idea of this type of law enforcement tool being used. Among them is the Electronic Privacy Information Center which is attempting to obtain internal FBI documents relating to the technology. In fact the Center is taking legal action to force the prompt disclosure of records concerning Stingray devices or other cell site simulator technologies. It alleges that the FBI has failed to comply with statutory deadlines by not handing them over quickly enough following a freedom of information request made last February.

For its part, the FBI says that it has found 25,000 pages of documents that relate to the request, about 6,000 of which are classified. Because of this the agency says that it may need up to three years to process the files before they can be released.

In light of the FCC's recent enforcement activities against cellular telephone jamming devices, it will be interesting to see if the regulatory agency can or will become involved in this controversial issue. (slate.com)

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ENFORCEMENT: SATELLITE JAMMING TRACED TO SYRIA AND IRAN

According to European satellite operator Eutelsat, disruptions in satellite signals in the Middle East and Europe have been traced back to Syria and Iran. There has been speculation that the jamming is a reaction to changes in the regulations put forth by the International Telecommunications Union to comply with the European Union's increasingly tough sanctions on Iran.

The ITU altered its regulations at the World Radiocommunication Conference in Geneva after receiving complaints of repeated and deliberate interference in the reception of TV in Persian and Arabic. Because of these changes, Eutelsat no longer carries 19 radio and television channels broadcast by the Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting.

The European Broadcasters Union has now responded to the information by condemning it. In a press statement it's Director Ingrid Deltenre said that access to information is a universal human right and an essential component for democracy. As such the E-B-U deplores this attack on media freedom.

For its part, the International Telecommunications Union says that these recent incidents are not the first time that there have been allegations of Iran blocking communications from the outside world. The latest wave of interference has affected numerous radio and TV broadcasters including the BBC, France 24, Deutsche Welle and the Voice of America. (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: M6GLD UNVEILS ISS APRS VIIDEO

Some names in the news. First up is Robert Broughton, M6GLD who has made available a new video demonstrating reception of amateur radio APRS signals from the International Space Station. The data shown in the clip is decoded using free online software and a soundcard connected from a receivers audio out to the computers audio in. For this demonstration the closest slant range to the I-S-S at zenith was around 1,350 miles line of sight with the space station transmitting on 145.825 Mhz. You can watch the video at tinyurl.com/iss-aprs-video (M6GLD)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K6LCS RECEIVES SPECIAL PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

Clint Bradford K6LCS of Jurupa Valley, California and his wife Karen have earned a special award from the Public Relations Society of America. This for their work in planning a space related educational event held back on April 19th.

Called "LIVE! . from outer space!" the operation gave students a chance to speak to an astronaut in the orbiting International Space Station." Some 120 students of Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy, more than 80 parents, community leaders and media representatives got to witness a live contact with the International Space Station. Flight Engineer Don Pettit was on the I-S-S to answer questions posed by some of the students via ham radio.

K6LCS initiated the event because of his volunteer position through Amateur Radio on the International Space Station or ARISS program which is allied to NASA's with Teaching from Space curriculum. The latter is available to any school that applies, but the typical wait-time from application to an actual contact with a member of the space station crew is three years.

According to K6LCS for the Flabob school contact it was 13 months of planning for 10 minutes of conversation. But adds Bradford, but, "oh, what a conversation!" (Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: LEAGUE SEEKING NEW MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER

The ARRL is currently looking to fill the position of Media and Public Relations Manager at ARRL Headquarters in Newington. This following the recent retirement of Allen Pitts, W1AGP, from that position.

The ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager is responsible for explaining the value of the amateur radio service to the media and the general public, directly and through a corps of volunteers. Outstanding communications skills and the ability to train and motivate volunteers is also required.

For more information on this position and how to apply please viait the news paes at www.arrl.org. (ARRL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: LARGEST CONTACT EVER WITH THE ISS

The largest contact in the history of the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program has taken place in Florida. This as Florida Science Museum station WS4FSM hosted the largest school contact ever with the ISS. Take a listen:

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Actual contact audio

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The contact took place on Tuesday, October 30th, at 15:58 UTC when most of Palm Beach County's 187,000 students were watching live as 10 students and 2 teachers made the historic contact. The actual call was from the Motorola Theater at the museum. Both a tower mounted tracking antenna and a mast mounted Eggbeater were loaned to the club by area hams for making this contact. Eleven students and two teachers already asked their questions of Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency Astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI. Hoshide who has been on the International Space Station since mid-July, was quick to provide answers.

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Actual contact audio

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The event was to be televised live by closed circuit system to classrooms in all the county schools and streamed on the web as well as

on the school system's educational channel and Comcast Cable in South Florida. The final audience was expected to be over 250,000 live viewers.

The West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Group sponsors the station at the South Florida Science Museum as part of a permanent amateur radio exhibit. Club members and other volunteer hams in the area staff the station and exhibit on weekends, for school tours during the week, and during summer science camps. More about the club is on-line at www.wpbarc.com. (Southgate, Palm Beach Post, AJ4XM)

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WORLDBEAT: DENMARK SETS DIGITAL RADIO SWITCHOVER DATE

The Danish government's new media policy has defined 2019 as the year for the country's digital radio switchover. This providing that at least half of all radio listening in the country is digital by 2018.

Uffe Elbak, the Danish Culture minister stated that this move is a normal progression. He said that the world is digital and therefore it is a natural continuation of previous efforts and policy decisions in the area that we now will speed up the digitization of radio, just as we did with the TV a few years ago. Elbak said that this will be accomplished by continuing to expand the nations digital radio network, and establishing, albeit with conditions, a date for the switch-off of analog FM. By setting a date Elbak says that his nation is sending a clear signal to both the industry and the Danish radio listeners about where digitalization of broadcasting is headed.

According to other reports, the national single-frequency Digital Audio Broadcasting or DAB block used by the public service broadcaster D R Multiplex will be exchanged for two DAB regional frequency blocks now occupied by a single commercial multiplex. This will take place in 2013. All Danish DAB transmissions will also transition from the original DAB standard to the DAB+ standard. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: MULTIPLE COPIES OF RAC REPORT E-MAILED

Radio Amateurs of Canada says that there have been issues with multiple copies of its R-A-C Report unintentionally going out via e-mail. Chief Information and Technology Officer Paul Burggraaf, VO1PRB, says that the society is working to fix this problem before the next issue is sent out. (Radio Amateurs of Canada)

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DX

IN DX, the March, 2013 DXpedition to Clipperton Island has received the callsign TX5K to be used during the operation. So far the team has 23 members and one space remains available for another operator,

scientist, or other supporter who wishes to join the DXpedition. More information is on-line at www.cordell.org/CI,

DL1LLL is currently operational portable Zed-S-7 from Antarctica on the High Frequency Bands. His location is the Neumeyer Emergency base. QSL via DL5EBE.

VK6LC will be active from Vietnam in November as XV1LC. He will be operational on the High Frequency Bands using CW and SSB only. QSL direct via VK6LC.

JA1PBV will be on the air from Mauritania as 5T5BV until November 10th. His activity has so far been on 30, 12 and 10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA1PBV.

JH5GHM is currently on the air stroke V26 from Antigua Island on the High Frequency bands only. No mention of modes or times on the air. QSL via his home call or electronically using Logbook of the World.

JA1PBV is currently active from Mauritania as 5T5BV. Listen out for him on the High Frequency bands operating mainly CW. QSL via home call

DL8NU will be active from Mahe Island in the Seychelles November 9th to the 24th as S79NU He will be operational on the High Frequency bands mostly on CW. QSL via home call

Lastly, UA4WHX is currently active stroke EX from Kyrgyzstan. Hes been reported being heard on many o the High Frequency bands. His QSL route is direct to his home callsign.

(Above from various DX news sources

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HAM RADIO CELEBRATES HOLLYWOOD

And finally this week, Ham Radio Celebrates Hollywood was the title of an all-band multi mode operation from Stage 9 at CBS Studio Center in Los Angeles, California on Sunday, October 28th. Stage 9 is currently the home of the hit sitcom Last Man Standing which features ham radio as one of the shows themes. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, stopped by the operation and has this report:

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The callsign of the operation was K6H which stood for King-6-Hollywood. And maybe you were one of the lucky ones to make contact with members of the southern California-based PAPA repeater system who sponsored and staffed this fun event:

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Actual 40 meter QSO

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That was just one of several stations that were up and running at K6H. And while the majority of operators came from the PAPA System, the idea for the event was that of John Amodeo, NN6JA, who happens to be the producer of Last Man Standing:

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NN6JA: "I think it came about because a while ago I was asked to do a forum at Dayton by the ARRL to talk about ham radio and the way it's treated in the media. That set me off to thinking how ham radio is often portrayed either inaccurately or negatively.

"I wrote a forum and performed it in Dayton and it went out very well. But I could see that there was a bigger audience to reach with the whole concept of ham radio and Hollywood. And I thought that a special event radio station might be fun.

"We have the stage and we have a lot of ham radio equipment on the stage to do that. And I'm a member of several radio clubs; in particular the PAPA group here in Southern California, the Great South Bay Radio Club on Long Island, and a member of B.E.A.R.S. which is the Broadcast Engineers Radio Club who are connected to D.E.A.R.S. who are the Disney amateur radio guys and DARI which is an interconnect repeater system ob the East coast.

"So I thought to myself that if we could get the PAPA people on the West coast, the B.E.A.R.S. guys on the East coast and maybe throw in IRLP and Echolink, I could cover much of the country."

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The K6H event had a lot of pre-publicity in the ham radio media. Even so, there are always bound to be last minute changes. So to cover this, Amodeo and the PAPA group turned to another kind of communications; the social media:

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WA6ITF: ".You have an official tweeter?"

NN6JA: "We have an official tweeter on the show. Billy is our Assistant Production Coordinator and also a ham radio operator. As some of your fans might know we have twelve ham radio operators on staff and Billy's one of them. And he is over there tweeting and Facebook'ing about the event so that people can follow the frequencies we are broadcasting on."

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Ham Radio Celebrates Hollywood was only on the air for a few hours. Even so the operators racked up a good number of contacts using traditional modes like SSB voice as well as emerging technology that included Echolink and IRLP. But perhaps the most important aspect of K6H is that it let the world of amateur radio know that the hams of Hollywood are also, thinking about the hobby and thinking about them as

well.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles. Don.

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While a final QSO count is not available at airtime, there is no doubt that Ham Radio Celebrates Hollywood was a rousing success.

And less we forget, an interview with Last Man Standing Producer John Amodeo, NN6JA, is on this week's Rain Report. You can hear it or download it at www.therainreport.com. (ARNewsline(tm))

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in southern Mississippi saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Delegates are prepared for the International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 conference being held in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

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The ARRL report on the role played by Amateur Radio as Hurricane Sandy wreaked havoc on the East Coast

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Robin Walbridge, KD4OHZ, is missing at sea after the sinking of Tall Ship Bounty. The ship’s electrician Doug Faunt, N6TQS, was rescued

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This video shows the amateur radio contact between students at East
Falmouth Elementary School and ISS Commander Sunita Williams KD5PLB

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October 28 saw members of southern California's PAPA System hold a special
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Amateur Radio operators who want to assist those Sections affected by
Hurricane Sandy should not self-deploy to those areas

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At 8 pm on Thursday, November 15, Geoff Bowles, Curator of Science,
Chelmsford Museums will give a talk titled Titanic and Radio at Little
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DX News from the ARRL

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

2171. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 2 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 16:10:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d043be26ce8693b04cd855fbd@google.com>
Source record: 1588
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NZ4O "Weekly" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-45

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 01:35 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366808-NZ4O-quot-Weekly-quot-MF-HF-6M-Radio-Wave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-45&goto=newpost

The NZ4O "Weekly" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-45 has
been published on Friday November 02, 2012 at 0000 UTC. Valid 0000 UTC
Saturday November 03, 2012 through 2359 UTC November 09, 2012.

It can be found at http://www.solarcycle24.org and
http://www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm .

73 & GUD DX,

Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O

Lakeland, FL, USA

nz4o@tampabay.rr.com

NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O "Daily" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast:

http://www.solarcycle24.org

NZ4O "Daily" Solar, Space Weather & Geomagnetic Data Archive:

http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o1.htm

NZ4O Solar Space Weather & Geomagnetic Weather Data Dashboard:

http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o2.htm

NZ4O Solar Cycle 24 Forecast Discussion & Archive:

http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o4.htm

NZ4O 160 Meter (MF) Radio Propagation Theory Notes:

http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o5.htm

NZ4O Solar Space Weather & Geomagnetic Raw Forecast Data Links:

http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o6.htm

Solar Cycle 24 dot org on Facebook:

http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarC...9462931?v=wall

2172. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 2 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 16:39:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223f099bebcf04cd85c87a@google.com>
Source record: 1589
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Bhutan A5A 2012

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 09:35 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366909-Bhutan-A5A-2012&goto=newpost

JH1AJT will be active from Bhutan again 8-15 November 2012 as A5A

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/bhutan_a5a_2012/

73 Al 4L5A

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W2B - Spl Ev, Music by the Bay - CANCELLED !

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 03:09 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366822-W2B-Spl-Ev-Music-by-the-Bay-CANCELLED-!&goto=newpost

Due to Hurricane Sandy, the special event station W2B

scheduled to operate on Nov 1-5, Music by the Bay,

Barnegat NJ, has been cancelled.

A rescheduling date is not foreseen at this time.

If rescheduled, an announcement will be made.

Please accept our sincere apology.

73'

Bob - K2RET for W2CCW

2173. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 2 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 16:49:09 UTC
From: "Jim GM4DHJ ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <1QSks.98085$YJ1.30277@fx09.am4>
Source record: 1590
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3bxifDfaxvk/east_falmouth_elementary_school_contact_with_the_iss.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
>
> This video shows the amateur radio contact between students at East
> Falmouth Elementary School and ISS Commander Sunita Williams KD5PLB
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http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14tBBSFF90c&feature=related

2174. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 2 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 16:50:37 UTC
From: "Jim GM4DHJ ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <pRSks.171502$Bz2.167924@fx11.am4>
Source record: 1591
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1TX3pPOuIXc&feature=related

2175. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Friday 2 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-02 18:39:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b4e1ecba804cd87765f@google.com>
Source record: 1592
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Why we will not be covering the RSGB 2012 Vote

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 08:19 AM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1929:why-we-will-not-be-covering-the-rsgb-2012-vote&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Last year, the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast spent a lot of time analysing, interviewing and producing episodes in the run up to the RSGB 2011 EGM vote.

2176. eHam.net News for Friday 2 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-03 00:44:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614ce4d8d04c04cd8abc80@google.com>
Source record: 1593
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #44 de K7RA:

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 05:28 AM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29270

Solar activity quieted this week. Average daily sunspot numbers were down nearly 37 points to 58.4. Average daily solar flux declined 27 points to 116.9.

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Space Station Chat Fires up Students' Enthusiasm:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 05:11 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29268

A group of Palm Beach County students sought answers from above Tuesday - 300 miles above, to be exact. For eight minutes, 11 students posed questions to Japanese astronaut Akihiko Hoshide while he orbited above them aboard the International Space Station. "Everything looks beautiful from space," Hoshide said, his voice resonating from an amateur radio device in the South Florida Science Museum in West Palm Beach. "My favorite might be the clouds because you can see the different shapes of clouds and depending on the time of the day, you can even see the shadows of those clouds up here." The museum was one of the few organizations in the country slated to make contact with the space station this year. It partnered with the school district and used a county-wide essay contest to choose the lucky students. "It was just shocking for an astronaut to be right there and that he's so far away and we still got to talk to him," said 8-year-old Jerry Stegenga, of Boynton Beach. "Everything is so shocking, living in a zero-gravity environment, like eating when your fork could be flying somewhere else!"

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Ham as a Hobby:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 05:08 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29267

From the basement of his Labadie home, Mike Shye was talking with a man from Tennessee last week -- not by telephone, cellphone, email or any of the modern forms of communication that might come to mind. He was using his own licensed radio station, K0AYF. Shye is what is known as a ham : an amateur radio operator. He's one of many in the Franklin County area. In

fact, there are over 50 who belong to the local Zero Beaters Amateur Radio Club (ARC). "We like talking with people. That's mainly what we do," said Shye. "We all have a love of radio, so we like to talk to others about it. Some have built their own equipment, their own antennas . . . "There's also a social aspect to it, a lot of friendships are made." Shye said he is what hams call a "rag chewer," someone who likes to get on and talk with others about their equipment, their location, the weather there . . . A few years ago, Shye made a trip to New Hampshire to meet and stay with some hams he'd been talking to on the radio most nights for some years. "We were instant friends," he remarked.

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Ham Radio Club Collecting Items for Soldiers:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29266

The adopt a soldier program that began at the Sullivan Ham Radio Club a few years back has continued to grow from its meager start. The club adopted only one soldier in its first year but has continued to do more and more every holiday season, thanks to the growth of the club and its participation in adopt a soldier. There is an adopt a soldier branch in Sullivan, and many soldiers will be helped through the program this year, giving them gifts and holiday surprises while they are stationed overseas during Christmastime.

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Red Tape Binds Aussie Ham Radio Operators:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29265

WITH just a wire antenna, a slice of the airwaves and his own technical guile, Compton Allen is a one-man radio mogul. He doesn't rely on the internet, or a mobile phone. From his home in Ryde, the amateur radio buff - call sign VK2HRX - can transmit messages to Parramatta or New York. Others contact the international space station, or even bounce signals off the moon. But one source of earthbound interference impedes Mr Allen, and many of the state's 4300 licensed amateur radio users - the burden of council red tape. ''[Council regulation] restricts the type of antenna I can put up \& I sometimes find it hard to talk to stations in northern Europe and Antarctica and some places in Australia,'' Mr Allen said. ''The application process for antenna towers can be long and laborious, cost considerable money and involve all sorts of technical requirements which are probably not necessary.''

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ARRL Requests Hams Do Not Self-Deploy to Areas Affected by Hurricane Sandy:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 03:04 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29263

Amateur Radio operators who want to assist those Sections affected by Hurricane Sandy should not self-deploy to those areas. "There are many ARRL Sections involved in the impact area, and each has different requirements on how they locate, credential and deploy volunteers," explained ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U. "If a need for manpower is identified that cannot be met locally or in the Section, Section leadership may contact other Sections for assistance. If the need is still not met, Section leadership may then contact ARRL HQ for assistance."

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #45:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 03:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29262

This weeks bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, W3UR, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 03:03 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29261

This Week in Radiosport:

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As Hurricane Sandy Wreaks Havoc on East Coast, Hams Heed the Call to Help:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 02:54 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29260

Even though Hurricane Sandy was declared a post-tropical cyclone by the time it made its final landfall -- just 5 miles southwest of Atlantic City, New Jersey at about 8 PM EDT on Monday, October 29 -- the storm still had winds in excess of 80 miles per hour. Hams across the region, from the Carolinas to Maine, responded to requests for assistance and activated local nets, supported the Hurricane Watch Net's and the VoIP Hurricane Net's operations, assisted their local and state Emergency Operations Centers and provided assistance at shelters and wherever needed.

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Hawaii Hams Activate for Tsunami Warning:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 02:53 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29259

On Saturday, October 27, radio amateurs in Hawaii responded to a tsunami warning, providing valuable and timely information to emergency management officials. The tsunami was triggered by a magnitude 7.7 earthquake which struck at struck at 5:04 PM HST (0304 UTC on Sunday,

October 28) in the Queen Charlotte Islands, located off the coast of British Columbia, Canada.

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KD4OHZ, Missing at Sea After Sinking of Tall Ship Bounty; N6TQS, Rescued:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 02:50 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29258

Every DXer knows the story of the HMS Bounty and Pitcairn Island, VP6: In 1789, the HMS Bounty -- a small three-masted sailing vessel sent by Britain's Royal Navy to the Pacific on a supply expedition -- was roiled by tension between its crew and its captain, William Bligh. After landing in Tahiti and taking on a cargo of breadfruit, the Bounty set sail for the West Indies; it never reached that destination. Instead, Master's Mate Fletcher Christian led the men in a mutiny, eventually allowing Bligh and his loyalists to sail off in a longboat. After an arduous journey, they reached safety at the Dutch-owned port of Kupang. Christian and his followers ended up on Pitcairn Island where they burned the Bounty and settled on the island. Passing ships did not discover the enclave until after the turn of the century.

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Nominations Now Open for the George Hart Distinguished Service Award:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 02:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29257

Each year at its Annual Meeting in January, the ARRL Board of Directors bestows the George Hart Distinguished Service Award to a League member whose service to the ARRL's Field Organization is of the most exemplary nature. This award is named in honor of George Hart, W1NJM, long-time Communications Manager at ARRL Headquarters and chief developer of the National Traffic System.

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ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian Award:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 02:48 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29256

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

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2012 ARRL Field Day Results Now Online:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 02:47 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29255

2012 ARRL Field Day Results Now Online:

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ARNewsline Report 1838 -- Nov 2 2012:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 05:07 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29252

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds to Hurricane Sandy and a Pacific Ocean Tsunami; a new video snowing APRS from the space station is made public, a record number of students take part in an ARISS contact and a look at the Ham Radio Salutes Hollywood operation from the historic CBS soundstage where it took place. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1838 coming your way right now.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-45:

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 02:55 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29249

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-45:

2177. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 2 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-03 02:17:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e80f2ec2f9204cd8dda2e@google.com>
Source record: 1594
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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VI6ARG30 - Peel Amateur Radio Group celebrates 30 year history in VK6 with ... - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 11:45 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFugJWUevEOdCRzZaYoaSQym-uH-w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/peel_amateur_radio_group.htm

VI6ARG30 - Peel Amateur Radio Group celebrates 30 year history in VK6 with ...
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Peel Amateur Radio Group have a special Anniversary coming up that we would like to share; were celebrating our 30th Anniversary! To help celebrate we will be using our specially assigned call sign VI6ARG30. We will be operating between 5th November ...

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Tinkerer Invents iPhone Interface for Ham Radios - The Epoch Times

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 08:55 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEczD8c49RCKoKtfZvT3bYHfhd86w&url=http://www.theepochtimes.com/n2/technology/tinkerer-invents-iphone-interface-for-ham-radios-310592.html

The Epoch Times
Tinkerer Invents iPhone Interface for Ham Radios
The Epoch Times
The iPhone is plugged into one end, the radio into the other. The white box converts the commands from the iPhone into audio information. For Tumino, vice president of the Hall of Science Amateur Radio Club, whose call sign is N2YTF, its all very simple.

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ARNewsline Report 1838 -- Nov 2 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 12:15 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGQZxAgN0lvCUid1I1tR_u-F0SLqg&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29252

ARNewsline Report 1838 -- Nov 2 2012:
eHam.net
Ham radio responds to Hurricane Sandy and a Pacific Ocean Tsunami; a new video snowing APRS from the space station is made public, a record number of students take part in an ARISS contact and a look at the Ham Radio

Salutes Hollywood operation from ...

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First contact - Antarctic Sun

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 10:59 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE1q2YktVDi1tg9Lpi3FHZxtePLJQ&url=http://antarcticsun.usap.gov/features/contenthandler.cfm?id%3D2763

First contact
Antarctic Sun
The worldwide amateur (ham) radio community also has great interest in this part of the world, and thats where the ZL9HR Campbell Island 2012 Expedition External Non-U.S. government site comes into the picture. Within the ham radio hobby are many ...

2178. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 3 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-03 11:07:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93405e9ba611f04cd95406c@google.com>
Source record: 1595
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Attempt to recover the F-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xQQOwNcpyyU/attempt_to_recover_the_f1_amateur_radio_cubesat.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Since the amateur radio F-1 CubeSat was deployed from the International Space Station (ISS) on October 4 there have been no confirmed reception reports

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End of the World, Railway Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/thKrkfGYgg0/end_of_the_world_railway_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

End of the World, Railway station is a special event that will be aired on 10 November 2012 from Tierra del Fuego (WAP ARG-23, SA-008, WFF LUFF-034, WLOTA 2448)

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Today is Portuguese AM Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KnAaIaHgYaI/today_is_portuguese_am_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARLA (Associação de Radioamadores do Litoral Alentejano) is a regional ham radio association from Southern Portugal that is promoting the third running of 'AM Day' this year

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Remember Remember the 4th of November

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q-Y3xkHyAwE/foyle_darc_rally.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Why? Because the Foyle and District Amateur Radio Club's Annual Rally takes place on Sunday 4th November

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/06X9hb67gDE/044_november_03.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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nearly 37 points to 58.4. Average daily solar flux declined 27 points to
116.9

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RSGB Tutors Newsletter now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rX4elpXQses/rsgb_tutors_newsletter_now_available.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The October edition of the RSGB tutors newsletter is now available for free
download

2179. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 3 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-03 16:27:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f50348490024404cd99bb68@google.com>
Source record: 1596
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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HI7/R4WAA Dominican Republic

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 07:24 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366997-HI7-R4WAA-Dominican-Republic&goto=newpost

R4WAA will be active from Dominican Republic 21-30 November 2012 as
HI7/R4WAA

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...ican-republic/

73 Al 4L5A

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CQ WW SSB contest - where was Uganda, Kenya and Seychelles

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 05:22 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366989-CQ-WW-SSB-contest-where-was-Uganda-Kenya-and-Seychelles&goto=newpost

The bolletino 511 from the Italia DX group cited that these guys would be
contesting last weekend and the only one I ended up seeing and
unfortunately not working was the Seychelles. Any idea what happened with
these other entities. I only worked one new one on SSB the past weekend and
was lucky to get a new one on RTTY Mauritania on 12m. The contest was a bit
disappointing from a spot and ponce for new ones perspective. But then
again I was only on for about an hour and a half the entire contest.

Keith

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Special Event operation for Chinggis Khan's 850th birthday.

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 11:16 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366976-Special-Event-operation-for-Chinggis-Khan-s-850th-birthday&goto=newpost

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In November, 2012 Mongolia will celebrate Chinggis Khans 850th birthday.
November 14-21 Mongolian amateur radio operators will be active using
special event callsigns such as JU850AA, etc Qsl via qrz.com.

Chinggis Khagan Award will be issued free to those who make three contacts with three different event callsigns, i.e, JU850AA, JU850DA, JU850DN. Any mode, any bands. Please send your request with QSO detail information to MRSF at MRSF dot MN.

On April 16, 1162 (adjusted to our current calendars, the date is November) Temujin was born on the banks of the Onon River, in the heart of Mongolia. He came to power by uniting many of the nomadic tribes of Northeast Asia. In 1207, he established the Mongol Empire and was proclaimed "Chinggis Khan". Chinggis Khan and his descendants went on to stretch the Mongol Empire across most of Euroasia by conquering or creating vassal states out of all of modern-day China, Korea, the Caucasus, Central Asian countries, and substantial portions of modern Eastern Europe, Russia and the Middle East.

Chinggis Khan died in 1227.

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2180. SARL News in English 3/11/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-03 18:55:30 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <69BFBD3E422A4B38AEFBDF8E6D22A663@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1597
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 04 November 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it is announced that the key of Joost Schuitemaker, ZS5S, went silent on the night of 29 October after battling cancer for a few months. For many years Joost provided email relays via packet BBS to mariners.

Our sincerest condolences to his wife Marjoke, ZS5V, relatives and friends.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

EVER READ MUNITY ON THE BOUNTY?

NEXT SUNDAY IS REMEMBRANCE DAY

111 CADIDATES PASS THE RAE

SARL MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATED CLUBS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

EVER READ MUNITY ON THE BOUNTY?

Every DXer knows the story of the HMS Bounty and Pitcairn Island, VP6: In 1789, the HMS Bounty -- a small three-masted sailing vessel sent by Britain's Royal Navy to the Pacific on a supply expedition -- was roiled by tension between its crew and its captain, William Bligh. After landing in Tahiti and taking on a cargo of breadfruit, the Bounty

set sail for the West Indies; it never reached that destination. Instead, Master's Mate Fletcher Christian led the men in a mutiny, eventually allowing Bligh and his loyalists to sail off in a longboat. After an arduous journey, they reached safety at the Dutch-owned port of Kupang. Christian and his followers ended up on Pitcairn Island where they burned the Bounty and settled on the island. Passing ships did not discover the enclave until after the turn of the century.

On Monday, October 29, a replica of the Bounty -- built in 1960 for a remake of the 1962 film Mutiny on the Bounty -- sank off the coast of North Carolina as Hurricane Sandy made its way toward New Jersey. Of its 16 crew members, 14 were rescued by the US Coast Guard. Bounty Captain Robin Walbridge, KD4OHZ, never made it to one of the two deployed life rafts and is presumed dead. Claudene Christian, who claimed to be a direct descendent of Fletcher Christian, was unresponsive and passed away at a North Carolina hospital on Monday evening.

Doug Faunt, N6TQS, of Oakland, California, was one of the 14 who was rescued by the Coast Guard; Faunt served as a deckhand and was also the ship's electrician. A noted DXer and ARRL Life Member, he was part of the FO0AAA DXpedition crew in 2000 to Clipperton Island. He was also a member of the VP6DIA DXpedition to Ducie Island, and in 2007, he was part of the DXpedition to Lakshadweep.

According to Spud Roscoe, VE1BC, Faunt had satellite communications equipment and Winlink capabilities on board the Bounty, but he was not the ship's radio officer. "Sailing on replica ships was a hobby of Doug's," Roscoe told the ARRL. "He had previously sailed across the Great Australian Bight on a replica of the HMB Endeavour, Captain Cook's ship. He was an able seaman of the watch." Roscoe was the radio officer on the replica Bounty for its original voyage to France in 1962.

Faunt told the ARRL that the Bounty crew tried various methods, including a satellite phone, to call for help, "but we got nothing then tried calling out on HF. We tried calling the Maritime Mobile Net, but nothing was out there. We had Winlink on the ship that we used for e-mail and accessing the Internet to post to blogs and to Facebook, and we finally found an e-mail address for the Coast Guard. As a last-ditch effort, we used Winlink to e-mail the Coast Guard for help. Within an hour, we heard a C-130 plane, and later, a helicopter overhead. According to Faunt, it was Walbridge, as master of the ship, who sent out the distress messages.

"I don't know how I made it off the ship," Faunt recalled. "I had finished serving a long watch, and then we started going down. I was exhausted. I had to swim to get to the life raft. The water was full of rigging, and here I am, in my Gumby suit, trying to swim. It was so difficult. While swimming to the raft, I came up for air and a spar was coming at me. I finally found a raft and tried to climb into it, but I almost didn't make it, tired as I was. Through the help of my shipmates

who were already aboard the raft, I got on." The two life rafts were out about 100 miles from shore when they were rescued.

The vessel left Connecticut on Thursday, October 25 with a crew of 11 men and five women, ranging in age from 20-66. After being treated at a hospital in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, Faunt arrived back home in California on Wednesday, October 31. "I'm looking for a new boat to sail and a DXpedition to go on," Faunt told the ARRL. "Ham radio got me into my position on the Bounty, and ham radio got me out alive!" A remarkable story.

NEXT SUNDAY IS REMEMBRANCE DAY

Every second Sunday in November the SARL, in special church service transmitted in the last 15 minutes of Amateur Radio Today, remembers all those who lost their lives in defense of their country. The service will be first transmitted at 10:45 CAT on 11 November. The service will conducted by Dominee Jan Kramer, ZS6JRK. All amateur radio stations are requested to observe radio silence as a mark of respect.

111 CADIDATES PASS THE RAE

Gideon Jannasch says the waiting for the results of the October RAE is something of the past. A total of 111 candidates passed the RAE. Candidates who did not receive their call signs yet due to outstanding documents, must submit it as soon as possible.

The new call signs are published on the SARL webpage at www.sarl.org.za. Congratulations to every successful candidate, we hope to hear you on air soon. To all the radio amateurs who are already licensed, please be patient with all the newcomers and help them in a friendly manner.

A hearty welcome again to all the new amateurs and we ask please join the SARL if you have not done so yet. You receive free membership until 30th of June 2013.

SARL MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATED CLUBS

The SARL announces, with pleasure, that its membership now exceeds 1 500. This does not yet include the new members that passed the last RAE, they will be added to the list of members in the coming week.

The SARL welcomes Dennis Lightbody, ZSL1050, who joined the SARL as a member. We trust that he will enjoy a long and happy membership with the League.

During the past week the following clubs have affiliated to the SARL:

False Bay Amateur Radio Club, ZS1FRC Highveld Amateur Radio Club, ZS6HVB Overberg Amateurradioklub, ZS1OAR Sasolburg Amateur Radio Club, ZS4SRK Suid Kaap Amateur Radio Club, ZS1SKR Vaal Triangle Amateur Radio Club, S6VTB West Rand Amateur Radio Club, S6WR

This brings the total number of affiliated clubs to 28. For a complete list of affiliated clubs go to the SARL web page and click on Club Talk.

CONTEST NEWS

PEARS HF DX contest

Competitors please note that the date of 13 November as stated in the Contest bluebook for this contest is not correct. The correct date is the 11th of November.

Overberg Amateur Radio Club

On the week end of 17/18 November, it is the SARL Field Station contest. The Overberg Amateur Radio Club will be operating a field station at the QTH of John, ZS1DI, and Judy, ZS1JEG, at Stanford. This will be held in conjunction with our end of the year braai, boot sale, fox hunt and a display by the AWA where they hope to operate some of their equipment. There are camping and braai facilities. Visitors are welcome. For further details you can contact Andre, ZS1AZ, at 028-5142018 after 18:00 or Sam, ZS1OR, at 073 250 0428. This should be a fun week end.

CLUB NEWS

At the Annual General Meeting of the Free State Amateur Radio Club, held on 26 October, the following members were elected to the committee of the club: Chairman: Phillip Esterhuizen, ZS4PJ Vice Chairman: Charl Brittz, ZS4ATZ Secretary: Ellen de Bruin, ZS4EDB Hamnet: Johan van Zijl Additional members: At van der Walt, ZS4VS and

Danie de Bruin, ZS4DA.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at low levels. All current visible sunspot regions are stable with nearly no flaring.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 45.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequent 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 11 November - Pears HF DX contest. 17 November - SARL National Field Day will take place between 10:00 UTC on Saturday 17 November and 10:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November. 18 November - Log sheets for the RaDAR Contest to be in to Lichtenberg Amateur Radio Club (LARK), PO Box 410, Lichtenburg, 2740 or by email to zs6lrk@nwinternet.za.org.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 18:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73. /EX

========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2181. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 3 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-03 21:11:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614fec5cd0ee04cd99b7c8@google.com>
Source record: 1598
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Hams For Hurricane Sandy Relief

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 07:26 AM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366898-Hams-For-Hurricane-Sandy-Relief&goto=newpost

Everyone. I just came up with a great idea. I originally started out with
amateur radio

operators in mind, but here's how it works.....

Hams For Hurricane Sandy Relief

I've come up with an interesting idea. I just don't know how to start it or
how to get the ball rolling so I figured I'd post here for ideas.

Naturally people know how a bucket brigade works. One person fills a bucket
full of water and it gets passed to the next person in line until the water
reaches the fire.

In this case, if hams on the west coast start putting together a small care
package, it doesn't matter what it is, socks, toiletries, clothes....then
they contact a ham east of them and pass the box along, and so on, until
the box reaches the hurricane victims on the east coast.
http://www.ready.gov/ has a list of things that would be useful to people.
Me, I think with the water levels as high as they got, clothes would be
needed, as well as batteries, non-perishable food, etc. The Government, as
large as it is can't do it alone. With all the hams in this country, we
could send quite a lot of things. We have the resources of eham and qrz.com
to look for hams near each of us. Even if you don't know that particular
ham, it's a way to meet new people too. Most towns have a Goodwill or some
sort of Salvation Army store in them. Lots of good wearable clothes can be
bought there quite inexpensively. That's a source of supplies..... I'm
curious as to what people think of this idea. If we can do it with messages
via NTS, why can't we do it with tangible needed things like socks etc.?

It's called the Amateur Radio Service. Well, here's the chance to showcase
the service part. I don't know if this is a dumb idea or not, but I figured
I'd post. Thank you all for reading.

So people on the west coast find someone EAST of them, pass along their box,

and the box either gets bigger or becomes two boxes on the way etc. etc.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1838 November 2 2012

Posted: 01 Nov 2012 09:23 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366857-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1838--November-2-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1838 ☐ November 2 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1838 with a release date of November 2, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds to Hurricane Sandy and a Pacific Ocean Tsunami; a new video snowing APRS from the space station is made public, a record number of students take part in an ARISS contact and a look at the Ham Radio Salutes Hollywood operation from the historic CBS soundstage where it took place. All this and more on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1838 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO MEETS KILLER HURRICANE SANDY

As Hurricane Sandy made her way across the Caribbean and the up along the U.S. East Coast ham radio operators had been tracking the storms every move. When she made landfall on the New Jersey shore they were ready to respond. Mark Abramowicz, NT3V is here with whats known so far:

2182. eHam.net News for Saturday 3 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-03 22:22:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd3694285b204cd9eb1a9@google.com>
Source record: 1599
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Expedition Heads to Remote Island Once Used by Navy:

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29273

First contact: Ham radio expedition heads to remote island once used by Navy in support of USAP: An international team of ham radio operators will take part in an expedition to a remote island that was once a regular stop for U.S. Navy ships that supported the U.S. Antarctic Program. I have been invited to join the adventure, which will take place at the end of the year, returning to Campbell Island after almost 45 years since last setting foot there while a young sailor working aboard U.S. Navy radar picket ships. Between 1957 and 1968, the U.S. Navy deployed Destroyer Escort (DE) class ships to 60 degrees south latitude for weather reporting and navigation beacons for the planes flying between Christchurch, New Zealand and McMurdo Station on Ross Island. During those sailings, we stopped at Campbell Island to deliver and pick up mail, as well as to ferry the New Zealand scientists who lived on the island back and forth from Dunedin. Gene Spinelli is headed back to Campbell Island this month. New Zealand's Campbell Island was a manned weather station from the mid 1950s until 1995. Scientists living on the island performed daily weather reporting duties and other scientific activities. Early in the program, these reports were integral to the then Operation Deep Freeze aircraft flying between Christchurch and McMurdo. In 1995, the weather reporting process was automated and the island again became uninhabited. Since 1995, non-native wildlife was eradicated and the island has since been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site . Landing on the island is controlled by the New Zealand Department of Conservation. The worldwide amateur (ham) radio community also has great interest in this part of the world, and that's where the ZL9HR Campbell Island 2012 Expedition comes into the picture.

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Tinkerer Invents iPhone Interface for Ham Radios:

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 05:13 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29272

NEW YORK -- In a far-off corner of the Maker Faire at the New York Hall of Science in Queens on Sept. 29, between a cheering crowd around a small racetrack and the blaring music of a party booth, Thomas Tumino sits calmly, and to any interested passersby points at a small white box and says, "that's an iPhone interface." The white box isn't your usual iPhone

interface though. It's an iPhone interface that lets you use your iPhone over a ham radio. The iPhone is plugged into one end, the radio into the other. The white box converts the commands from the iPhone into audio information. For Tumino, vice president of the Hall of Science Amateur Radio Club, whose call sign is N2YTF, it's all very simple "If you can imagine it, it can be done," Tumino said, noting that he built it himself without plans as reference. The radio iPhone plug works just like dial-up modems did. "It used to be that if you dialed up onto the Internet, you'd have a modem and you'd connect your computer into the telephone lines," Tumino said. "The modem took digital information and made it into sound."

2183. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 3 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 02:23:33 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f234815cd92e304cda20dc0@google.com>
Source record: 1600
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Attempt to recover the F-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 01:46 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGpkyvWVK9s6mtU9LofRE-ARpZTxg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/attempt_to_recover_the_f1_amateur_radio_cubesat.htm

Attempt to recover the F-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Since the amateur radio F-1 CubeSat was deployed from the International Space Station (ISS) on October 4 there have been no confirmed reception reports. The attempts to recover the CubeSat are now focusing on reception of the backup UHF FM channel ...

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Our view: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly - Utica Observer Dispatch

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 12:34 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFGZ-vHZ9kwKIkaz8GnugbSmJ2kcQ&url=http://www.uticaod.com/m/news/x255964164/Our-view-The-Good-the-Bad-and-the-Ugly

Our view: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly
Utica Observer Dispatch
For the 36th year, amateur radio operators and members of citizens band radio clubs assisted state police on the Thruway by keeping watch on overpasses along the 570-mile route for would-be pranksters whose Halloween vandalism could turn tragic.

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Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School - STLtoday.com

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 10:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGIagSmFEqXyv0ytQysIEZlU5LUQ&url=http://www.stltoday.com/suburban-journals/stcharles/education/ham-radio-back-in-style-at-st-charles-high-school/article_6d9d50cc-6fe7-5466-aa31-eba38bf0dc03.html

Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School
STLtoday.com
Students at St. Charles High participate in fox hunts in which they use their radio to search for hidden antennae and will try to make the most contacts during field days organized by the St. Charles Amateur Radio Club. Young interest in the hobby has ...

2184. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Sunday 4 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 06:18:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405e9a32b1104cda555b9@google.com>
Source record: 1651
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Hoosier Hills Hamfest Mailing List

Posted: 02 Nov 2012 05:04 PM PDT
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?366944-Hoosier-Hills-Hamfest-Mailing-List&goto=newpost

The 52nd Annual Hoosier Hills Hamfest will be Saturday October 5th, 2013!
If you would like to be informed of future Hoosier Hills Hamfest news,
please Subscribe To The Hoosier Hills Hamfest Newsletter powered by Mail
Chimp at: http://eepurl.com/qjqyf. We promise not to bombard you with a
lot of emails and we WILL NOT share, sell, trade or publish your email
address anywhere. It will only be used to inform you of hamfest news. If
you have any questions please email us at: http://scr.im/w9qyq Or visit the
website at: http://www.hoosierhillshamfest.org

Thank You

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Hoosier Hills Ham Club

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2185. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 4 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 11:05:01 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93b5e7ec46ec504cda9567c@google.com>
Source record: 1652
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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World DX Club to close down

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6SXElEyG5qM/world_dx_club_to_close_down.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It has been announced that the World DX Club (WDXC) is to close, a final issue of Contact magazine is to be published in December

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Ever read Mutiny on the Bounty?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GDy1jpABN24/ever_read_mutiny_on_the_bounty.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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ARISS school contact planned November 8, 2012 - Downlink audible over Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OeGDAoEbP9c/ariss_event_0811.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned Thursday 08 Nov with participants at Comprensivo di Govone, Scuola Secondaria di primo grado “Nino Costa” di Priocca and Istituto Comprensivo di Diano d’Alba, Priocca, Italy

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Spot the Space Station over your backyard with new NASA service

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TPv6Kyk_4Ts/spot_the_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On the 12th anniversary of crews continuously living and working aboard the International Space Station, NASA announced Friday a new service to help people see the orbiting laboratory when it passes overhead

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/89JUAK9QByw/november_04.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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ZL9HR Campbell Island DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DH9KXy_Vpdk/zl9hr_campbell_island_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Campbell Island - IOTA OC-037 - 450 miles south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean - is the 15th most sought after DXCC location in the world

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Tinkerer invents iPhone interface for Ham Radios

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CgZEHd1QOGA/tinkerer_invents_iphone_interface_for_ham_radios.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Epoch Times reports on Thomas Tumino N2YTF who has developed a ham radio interface for iPhones

2186. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 4 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 16:15:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f651f209f04cdadae51@google.com>
Source record: 1653
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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A3EAQ Tongatapu Island

Posted: 04 Nov 2012 07:51 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367127-A3EAQ-Tongatapu-Island&goto=newpost

SP5EAQ will be active from Tongatapu Island (IOTA OC-049) , Kingdom of
Tonga 26 March - 16 April 2013 as A3EAQ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...gatapu-island/

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PJ5J Sint Eustatius Island

Posted: 04 Nov 2012 06:48 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367119-PJ5J-Sint-Eustatius-Island&goto=newpost

JA1MZL , JJ1LIB , JN1RVS , JJ1CBY , JA1DXA , JN1HOW and JH1ROJ will be
active from Sint Eustasius Island (IOTA NA-145) in December 2012 as PJ5J

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...tatius-island/

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We congratulate the winners of EPC Russia DX Contest 2012

Posted: 04 Nov 2012 05:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367110-We-congratulate-the-winners-of-EPC-Russia-DX-Contest-2012&goto=newpost

The results of the Forth EPC Russia DX Contest - 2012 were published on
November 4, 2012. We congratulate the winners and prize-winners with the
deserved achievements and wish them to continue the improvement of their
equipment and aerials, as well as skills of work in PSK-contests to
compete successfully in our next contests in fair and uncompromising
struggle.

epcrudxc_logo2.jpg754 logs of participants from 67 DXCC countries have
been received. We must note the increase in the number of contesters who
have become more responsible towards their work in PSK mode, as well as
to compilation of a report and its timely submission. Inspection by robot

and downloading logs via the Web-site UA9QCQ helped many contesters to learn to compile their logs in Cabrillo properly. We hope that there will be even more participants in ontest-2013. Even despite the fact that from the next year the deadline for the reception of reports for all EPC-contests was reduced to 5 days (120 hours) after the end of contests. In EPCRUDXC it was not possible to play as yet only one prize - a Plaquette for 1,000th participant. That is why this award is transferred to the next year. The Contest Committee has begun distribution of diplomas and certificates, ordered plaques and other prizes about which we announce additionally.

We note the well-deserved victory SOAB-WORLD by Paolo Emanuelli IN3VVK. Using the SO2R technology (single operator - two radios) he has achieved amazing results - 1087 announced and 989 confirmed QSOs and 2,646,700 points. In MOAB-WORLD the team from Germany DF9DD (Eckhard Schnaare DF9DD and Julia Schnaare DG9BVB) defeated with a modest score of 141 QSOs and 80, 727 points. In SOHF-WORLD Lev Kuznetsov UN7DA was the first to came to thefinish - 681 QSOs and 1,471,851 points. There was no equal to Dmitry Starinets UT3N in SOLF-WORLD - 413 QSOs and 420,043 points.

Due to good propagation during the contest, some of the participants managed to carry out radio contacts with six continents. The best result on their continents showed in SOAB, SOHF and SOLF respectively: in Africa - EA8CYQ and D2QV; in Asia - BA1PK, UN7DA and UN7EW; in Europe - IN3VVK, ON6NL and UT3N; in North America - VP9/OH2MQ and CO2AJ; in South America - PY2SHF and LU2DC; in Oceania - VK3FM and YD1OCG.

The expedition members who work in ETPA program have also supported our contest. Nicholas Stamenov LZ1NJS/p showed the best result in the subgroup SO-ETPA among six participants - 466 QSOs and 759,402 points. Reports and photos of these expeditions were presented in the news on our website, such as LZ1NJS/p EPC-RUSSIA-DX - equipment against operator.

Vladimir Sharpar RT3P has won in separate SOAB-RU among the russian participants with result of 824 QSOs and 1,374,572 points. Three years running there are no equal in MOAB-RU to operators of RK4WWQ - Alexey Galichanin UA4WAU, Dmitry Labygin UA4WKK and Egor Sentjakov from Junior Club of Izhevsk - with result of 945 QSOs and 1,650,439 points. The youth club RK3DXW from p.Beloozersky is recognized the best where only students were the participants - Sergey Semikov UB3DBA, Fjodor Khomyakov UB3DCX, David Rubashkin R3D-304-KO - with result of 476 QSOs and 501,909 points. Nikolay Denisov RL6MA was the best on low bands in SOLF-RU - 412 QSOs and 261,051 points. Victor Dmitrienko UC0A has the highest score in SOHF-RU - 671 QSOs and 1,048,080 points. Vladimir Arkhipov UA0CNX, Vladimir Kondratyev RA9SKL, Alexander Ustavnikov RA1ALC, Sergei Timotin RX6FQ, Alexander Varganov RD9OA, Yuri Volobuyev UA9AFS, Vladimir Sharpar RT3P and Sergei Sergeev R7MM have become the winners of the eight federal districts in subgroup SO-RU-FO.

Hams from 65 regions, territories and republics of Russia competed in our contest. In SO-RU-OBL subgroup the largest number of participants were represented: Moscow - 19, Voronezh region - 13, Moscow region - 12,

Sverdlovsk region and Krasnodarsky kraj by 11 callsigns. Sergei Trufanov UB3AEB showed the best score in SO-RU-UB subgroup among the stations of 3rd category. We are pleased to note the newcomers in EPCRUDXC. There were 23 callsigns which have been heard in our contest: My first EPCRUDXC.

To see more and download the results and UBN-report, please click here: Results of EPC Russia DX Contest 2012.

We thank the Staff of the Club for active help and hope to see you all in good health in the EPC Russia DX Contest 2013!

73! - Contest Committee EPCRUDXC

Attached Images

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2187. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 4 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 18:03:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340393a2eb6804cdaf2d0f@google.com>
Source record: 1654
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Series Five Episode Twenty-Three - Amateur Radio eBooks

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 05:00 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1937:series-five-episode-twenty-three-amateur-radio-ebooks&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-episode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty-Three of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has
been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Martin (M1MRB)
reveiws Amateur Radio eBooks.

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Ham radio back in vogue at St. Charles High School

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 10:53 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1936:ham-radio-back-in-vogue-at-st-charles-high-school&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

A new amateur radio club has started at St. Charles High School, St Charles
County, Missouri.

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New Zealand hopes to get 50-51 MHz

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 10:50 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1935:new-zealand-hopes-to-get-50-51-mhz&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Radio amateurs in New Zealand hope to get 50-51 MHz when Channel 1 TV shuts
down.

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Ofcom - ECC Decision on AM SSB CB apparatus

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 10:46 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1934:ofcom-ecc-decision-on-am-ssb-cb-apparatus&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

ECC published (June 2011) a Decision harmonizing CB radio across the
European Union but until now Ofcom have dragged their heels in
implementing it.

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Pico Amateur Radio Balloons

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 09:43 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1933:pico-amateur-radio-balloons&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Thomas Krahn KT5TK has launched five Mylar balloons each 80cm diameter, that carried a Pecan 144.390 MHz APRS transmitter KT5TH-11 weighing just 55 grams. It transmitted every 5 minutes to save battery power.

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PRISM available for Amateur Radio AX.25 Packet

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 09:40 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1932:prism-available-for-amateur-radio-ax25-packet&catid=37:amateur--ham-radio-technical&Itemid=19

The team that developed the PRISM satellite have announced it is being opened up for use by radio amateurs during afternoon passes.

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Clipperton Island DXpedition

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 09:38 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1931:clipperton-island-dxpedition&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

The March 2013 DXpedition to Clipperton Island has received the callsign TX5K to be used during the operation.

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100 MHz to 6 GHz Transceiver Project for $300

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 09:35 PM PDT
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1930:100-mhz-to-6-ghz-transceiver-project-for-300&catid=37:amateur--ham-radio-technical&Itemid=19

Michael Ossmann's latest project is an Open Source transceiver covering 100 MHz to 6 GHz.

2188. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1085

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 18:20:53 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <456838.21549.bm@smtp111.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1655
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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November 5, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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**** EDITOR'S COMMENT: If you were on Daylight Saving Time (DST), did you remember to turn your clock back an hour?

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 28th-October, through Sunday, 4th-November there were 228 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

7Q, MALAWI. David, WA1LBP/7J6CBQ, seems to be a new operator in Malawi and was issued the callsign 7Q7DFC on October 10th. He has been in Malawi since mid-September. There have been reports that he has been on 10 and 6 meters. QSL via OE4VIE. David has a Twitter at: https://twitter.com/DavidinMalawi/status/262098485699047424

9Y, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO (Cancelled). Jim, N6TJ, has canncelled his activity as 9Y4W from Scarborough, Tobago Island (SA-009, WLOTA 0412), for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). His host on Tobago has a broken tower and there is no time to fix it before the contest.

A3, TONGA. Jacek, SP5EAQ, will be active as A3EAQ from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) between March 26th and April 16th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters SSB only. QSL via SP5EAQ, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, watch: http://sp5drh.com/a3eaq

A5, BHUTAN. Zorro, JH1AJT, will be active as A5A between November 8-15th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters but with limited spare time operations. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

CO8LY (Lost Home and in Trouble). Dennis, K7BV, received the following from Eduardo, CO8LY, a long time HF and 6m op who has given so many their No.1 Cuba contact [edited]: "Dear Friends, I have sad news, the hurricane Sandy destroyed my house. I've lost everything, I need all I ask for help, please communicate with my manager EA7ADH or send me SMS to my cell 52400814.
My mother is very ill and my situation is very difficult. Sorry for the inconvenience. My city Santiago de Cuba was destroyed by the hurricane. Big hug, Eduardo, CO8LY, I'm using tractuctor excuse the bad english." Dennis states, "I am going to be sending Eduardo some help. Rather than load Eduardo up with a lot of SMS charges, I would be happy to serve as a collection point for others wishing to send help. He is going to need a complete station, accessories, etc. too, it appears. Thanks for your consideration. Drop me a private note if you would like to send something to our buddy..... 73 Dennis Motschenbacher K7BV
PS: Spread the word please."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). PRESS RELEASE - date October 28th [edited]: "Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN were forced to leave Sable Island around 1915z on Saturday due to the dangerous East Coast storm. The effects of the storm were already being felt on the island as the sand landing area was flooding due to the rising tide and large breakers.
Naturally we were very disappointed to cut short the DXpedition by four days. We had little choice as we could have been stranded on the island for weeks. Traveling to Sable is always a challenge no matter what time of year it is. We certainly have first-hand knowledge of this! During the 4.5 days of the DXpedition, Ron and Murray logged approximately 13,000 Q's. This DXpedition was highly focused on 10,12 and 15 meters where the most demand existed. Our mono-band yagi's and vertical antennas performed very well in the very strong winds. We had to double stake the guy lines for the antenna masts.
We would like to thank Gerry Forbes, the officer-in-charge on Sable Island, and Maritime Air for safely getting us off the island.

73, Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN"
ADDED NOTE: Alan, VE1AWW, is expected to be active again as CY0/VE1AWW sometime this past week or very soon. On his QRZ.com page he stated on October 30th, "Sorry to one and all for the great delay in QSL replies and email replies. My laptop with logs died just after I was shut down late last June. I now have the computer and logs back. I am headed back to CY0 later this week. I will sort through the backlog out there and post them on my return to the mainland (late December). I will post here (QRZ.com) when back on the island." His bands of activity are unsure, but he likes to operate on SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

EL, LIBERIA (Update). Look for the VooDoo Contest Group to once again be active from here between November 17-27th. This is their 24th straight year. Operations will be from a location just South of Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. Their main goal is to be an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi category using the callsign EL2A. Outside of the contest the operators will use their own personal callsigns. Operators mentioned are Ned/AA7A (EL2ES), Roger/G3SXW (EL2A), Fred/G4BWP (EL2WP), John/G4IRN (EL2RN), Mike/KC7V (EL2MF), Lee/KY7M (EL2LF) and Bud/N7CW (EL2CW). QSL via their home callsign, except EL2WP via G5LP. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and ClubLog (w/OQRS available) as soon as possible, probably after their return home.

ET, ETHIOPIA (Special Event/Press Release). ET3AA - Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club Announcement - "In celebration of our dear mentor's passing, Mr. Sidney May (ET3SID), our club will make 10,000 QSOs starting on Tuesday, October 29, 2012, and will end once the QSO count has been achieved. In March 2012, Sid was instrumental in having the ET3AA - Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club set-up as a formal organization. With the students receiving US Ham Radio Call-Signs and four students becoming ARRL VE's, this allowed the ET3AA call sign to be transferred from Sid May's name to the club, therefore allowing the club to continue using the ET3AA call sign. The club is officially re-opened.
Mr. David Collingham (K3LP), working with the Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club, will prepare a color QSL card with our club input and will pay for the cost for printing the QSL cards. Mr. Bob Schenck (N2OO) has agreed to be our QSL Manager for this event. Please do not send prior QSL requests to Bob since he does not have the ET3SID or ET3AA logs except for the brief K3LP visits in Aug. 3-5, 2011 and Dec. 8-13, 2011.
We are in the process of setting up a new PO Box for the club and will add the new address information to our website once available.
Please the use the DX Code of Conduct. Please be kind and work with our students as we learn and improve of radio operating skills.

Sincerely,
ET3AAA - Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club
Dagmawit Solomon
http://et3aa.com/ "

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS. Jyrki "Jay", OH6CS, will be active as EA8CUU from G�ldar, Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L 0969), during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (??) entry. QSL via OH6CS direct. Outside of the contest, look for Jay to do some 50 MHz CW/SSB-activity as EA8/OH6CS (QTH loc. IL28DD) between November 22-28th. For more details about the station, see: http://personal.inet.fi/cool/sierra/ea8.htm

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Luis, EA8AY, will use the special callsign EF8USA from Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W2GR. Visit his Web site at: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

FM/TO7, MARTINIQUE. Dimitry, UT5UGR, will be active as FM/KL7WA from Martinique (NA-107) between November 19-26th. Activity will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) signing TO7A as a Single-Op/Multi-Band entry. QSL via UT5UGR.

FM/TO5, MARTINIQUE. Valery, R5GA, will once gain be active as FM/R5GA from FM5BH's QTH between February 11-17th. Activity will include the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-power entry and using the callsign TO5X. Outside of the contest, his activity will probably be on CW mainly and on 160-10 meters, especially on the 30/17/12 meters. QSL via LoTW or via UA3DX.

FM/TO5, MARTINIQUE (NA-107). Al, F5VHJ, will once again be active as TO5A, from FM5BH's QTH during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

GJ/MJ0, JERSEY. Mat, MJ0ASP (aka-F5SHQ), will be active as GJ2A during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via the LoTW.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Sergey, R4WAA, will be active as R4WAA/HI7 between November 21-30th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters and the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). QSL via his home callsign by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS.....
SA-018. Javier, CD6713, indicates that he has "a legal as Aspirant's license", and can transmit on bands of 10, 40 and 80 meters and VHF, from the Chiloe Island. QSL only direct. See details and pictures of his station on QRZ.com.

SA-087. Members of the R�a Deseado Radio Club, who were expected to be active this past week as LT0X from Penguin Island, had to reschedule their DXpedition due to weather. The operation is postponed one week. Activity will now take place between Friday, November 9th and Sunday, November 11th. There has been no activity from this island for 12 years. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/12/10 meters, possibly 6 meters, using CW, SSB and PSK31, with three stations active on the air. QSL via LU7DSY.

SA-096. (NEW IOTA) It was announced this past week that operators Cezar/VE3LYC and Johan/PA3EXX, along with two Argentinian operators, plan to activate Escondida Island in the Chubut Province North IOTA Group early January 2013. Activity will be for four days using two stations. Bands, modes and callsign were not mentioned or provided. QSL via VE3LYC, direct or by the Bureau. Hopefully, more details will be forthcoming.

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For November). The following ISWL club callsigns will be used throughout the month of November:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Great Missenden, in Buckinghamshire, by John, G8XTJ. (/A WAB Square ►P80 - England & IOTA ►U-005).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom, G3RPV. (/A WAB Square ►L27 - England & IOTA ►U-005).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>. NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see <www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for their awards.

JU850, MONGOLIA (Special Event). Baterdene, JT1CS, reports to look for special event stations to be on the air to celebrate Chinggis Khan's 850th birthday between November 14-21st. Mongolian amateur radio operators will be active using special event callsigns such as JU850AA, etc... QSL via info on QRZ.com. A "Chinggis Khan Award" will be issued free to those who make three contacts with three different special event callsigns, i.e, JU850AA, JU850DA, JU850DN.... on any mode or bands. Please send your request with QSO detail information to: MRSF at MRSF.MN

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 5-11th)....
Nov/05th AN Nov/08th HN Nov/10th HN
Nov/06th AN Nov/09th HN-LN Nov/11th HN-AN
Nov/07th AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K►1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K► 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K► 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K► 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K► 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K►9 100-400

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Operators Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX and Esa/OH7WV will be active from Saipan Island (OC-086) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. Callsign and QSL info will be announced later. Time permitting, some operating outside of contest one day before and one day after may take place. Operators have the Saipan Rental Shack

for November 22-27th, and will probably use the callsigns KH0/homecall outside of the contest. For more details about the Saipan Rental Shack, see the following Web page at:
http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english/index.html

NEWS RELEASE ("DXER'S IDEAS SOUGHT FOR MEETING INCREASING DXPEDITION COSTS"): "LEICESTER, NC, Oct. 31 --- The DX Magazine, whose current issue features an article, 'Dealing with the skyrocketing costs of DXpeditions,' is asking DXer's for their ideas on how to increase the level of funding for future major DXpeditions.
Carl Smith, N4AA, Editor and Publisher of the DX Magazine, says 'Major DXpeditions to entities in the top ten of the most wanted list can cost 500,000 USDs or more to activate. This poses a major fund raising challenge to organizers, with costs rising rapidly for such big ticket items as logistics, including transportation, licensing, and permits, along with inflation,' he said. Specific costs are documented in the article appearing in the November-December issue of The DX Magazine.
Smith said, 'DXer's are invited to send their ideas to the DX Magazine, which will be reporting the results in a future issue. All suggestions are welcome, and may be either anonymous or identified by the contributor's name and call.'
Send ideas and comments to: DXpedition Costs Survey, c/o D.E. 'Dee' Logan, W1HEO, 9901 Cypress Circle, Mentor, OH 44060-7221. E-mail to: deverelogan@gmail.com "

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operator Tomi, OH6EI, will once again be active as OH0Z during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W0MM.

PJ5, ST. EUSTATIUS. A team of JA operators will be active as PJ5J from St. Eustatius (NA-145) between November 30th and December 12th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Operations will emphasize the lower bands, especially 160m, and working stations from AS/JA. They will participate in the ARRL 10m Contest (December 8-9th) and possibly other contests during that period. The team plans on at least one station on the air for 24 hours day, and possibly another one or two stations to operate simultaneously according to the band openings. Two stations will have 500w amps and another will operate barefoot. Antennas will be verticals for the low bands (w/beverage) and a Spiderbeam for the higher bands. Operators mentioned are Takayuki/JA1MZL (team leader), Yutaka/JJ1LIB, Naoki/JN1RVS, Hideyuki/JJ1CBY, Katsu/JA1DXA, Toshihiko/ JN1HOW and Isao/JH1ROJ. QSL Manager will be Nao, JA1HGY. Logs will be updated daily to ClubLog and to LoTW after the operation. A OQRS will be available. No Web page was mentioned.

PT0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update). As per the PT0S Web page dated October 31st, from George, AA7JV [edited]: "Most of the PT0S team is now in Natal. Fred, PY2XB, is going to join us on November 3rd. All our gear has made it and is being stored at the local radio club. Because importation into Brazil can be difficult and slow, we feel that we have passed one of the most worrisome hurdles we've faced. We are now procuring

supplies and items that we decided to purchase locally, such as car batteries, camping gear, etc. Local HAM-s, especially Mauricio Barreto, PS7RK, have been incredibly generous helping us to buy supplies and make the final preparations.
We are on schedule to leave for St. Peter and St. Paul Archipelago on November 5th. The weather forecast is favorable, which is good news, as seas can be rough along the 620 nautical mile passage. We -- and all our gear -- will be travelling on the 70 foot fishing boat Transmar II, along with 8 fishermen. It will be tight and the lighter the seas the more bearable the passage will be.
We are hoping for a good and productive operation, where in addition to getting a lot of calls into the log, the entire community will have fun. We will soon start publishing operating tips and advice on how to work us best. In the meantime, please keep the following in mind: 'THE DX'ERS CODE OF CONDUCT'." -- which is listed on their Web page at: http://pt0s.com

PZ, SURINAM. Yuri, VE3DZ, will be active as PZ5T from Surinam between November 20-27th. Activity includes the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside of the contest, look for him to be on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 4th)

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8P5A via NN1N HS0ZJF/9 via ON4AFU SV5/SV1LK via SV1LK
9A20HRS via 9A3JB II5LDV via IQ5LV SX100SKG via SZ2T (d)
9J2BO via G3TEV OE5D via OE2UKL TM7VG via F6KUF
9M2MRS via PA0RRS OK5T via OK1VSL WA5PS/KH0 via JK1FNL
CT9/DJ8VC via DJ8VC P29FR via I2RFJ Z38/HA2SX via HA2SX
CX2DK via EA5GL (B) P29VPB via G3KHZ ZL7A via JF1OCQ
DV7HTK via JA1HTK PJ2/DL5RDP via DL5RDP ZS7/DL1LLL via DL5EBE
EA9EU via EA5KB R400NO via RA3TYL
EO3Q via UR3QCW SV5/SM8C via SM0CMH
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

3B9SP OQRS. The OQRS (Online QSL Request Service) for the 3B9SP DXpedition is now available online for requesting both direct and Bureau cards at: https://secure.clublog.org/expeditions/3B9SP

8P6DR QSL STATUS. Richard, G3RWL, reports on:
October 29th - "I have written cards for the bureau. Tomorrow I'll start on 86 direct cards."
October 31st - "All direct cards received will be mailed today. Awaiting TQSL certificates for LOTW upload."

NEW QSL ROUTE. Rex, NR6M, reports that he is now the QSL Manager for H44RK. His address and instructions are available on QRZ.com.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Ron, AC7DX, reports that he is now the QSL Manager for D2ZR in Angola. QSL only direct; no Bureau Please. See QSL mailing info for AC7DX on QRZ.com.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Ralph, H44RK, is now the QSL Manager for H44A and H40A which are expected to be club callsigns for an Amateur Radio Club on Guadalcanal.

NEW QSL ROUTE CHANGE. Dave, G4FRE/WW2R, informs OPDX that as of October 1st, 2012, the ONLY QSL route for the following callsigns are now G4FRE and not WW2R. Callsigns are: MW2I, GW0FRE, GC0FRE, WW2R, N4FRE, 9H3MX, 9H3MW, ZB2IQ, PJ4/WG3I, WG3I/C6A, ZF1IQ, ZB2IQ, VK2IDR, VR2EK, ON8QK and EI4VCH. The direct address for G4FRE is available on QRZ.com.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5U8NK, AY4DX, BU2AW, CU3AC, D4A, EA1DR, EI5JQ, EI80IRTS, GI4SJQ, GI7AXB, HG7T, J43J, KH8/DL3DXX, KL7KY, KL7RA, KP4RV, LA7DHA, LR3M, LZ2HM, MI0AYR, MM0AMW, MM0TFU, MW0RLJ, OZ5E, P43E, PY1PL, PY1RJ, S57AL, SJ2W, UA2FR, UA6DX, VE3CX, VE3YAA, VE4VT, VK3TDX, VO1TA, WP2Z, XE2B and ZL1BYZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3C0E, 4J5A, 7O6T, 5T0JL, 9M2FB, HL3ERJ, JA1NLX/VK4, KP2/KW5E, T77C, VA7AQ/NLF, VK9CS, VP8LP, VU7M, ZA/OK2BOB, ZD9UW, ZG2FX and ZS7/DL1LLL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1B/DH8WLA, 3A/AI5P, 401A, 403A, 6W/LX1DA, 8P9MS, 9H3YM, 9H9OB, 9L7NS, 9X0CW, AH2L, C56E, C91TK, CN2A, CT9/DJ6TF, CT9/DL3KWF, EL2ES, FP/KV1J, FR/DJ7RJ, HK3DC, HR9/EA1APV, HR9/AI5P, HZ1AN, J7DM, KH6/K9FD, KL7/DL3LAB, KL7/K6VVA, KP2/AB1NL, KP2/AG1LE, OX/DL1RTL, PJ2/W5XU, PJ2/W0NB, PJ4R, PJ5/K1XM, S9DX, SV9/WB2GAI/P, TK/DL9YBY, TX3D, V21ZG, V5/DK1CE, VK9N/AI5P, VP2MDG, VP5T, VP5/WA2VYA, VP9BO, VP9/N1SV, WP4JCF, WP4NTJ, XE2MX, XU7MWA, XV4YY, ZD9AH, ZK3YA

RI1, ANTARCTICA. RI1ANF/P is quite often active from the Russian Priroda Refuge (WAP RUS-15) which is not too far away from Bellingshausen Base, on South Shetlands. On his previous visits to Priroda Refuge (last Oct. 21-22nd and Oct. 25-28th), Oleg made over 1200 QSOs operating as RI1ANF/P. He will try to activate Priroda Refuge again until the first week of November, so ... stay tuned! QSL via RK1PWA. ADDED NOTE: Oleg Neruchev, ZS1OIN (UA3HK), will replace Oleg Sakharov as new Chief of Bellingshausen Base (WAP RUS-01) and will be active on all bands, mostly CW, after February 12th as RI1ANU instead of the normally used RI1ANF callsign. More info about the Antarctica is available on the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it

S7, SEYCHELLES. Hardy, DL8NU, will be active as S79NU from Mahe Atoll (AS-013) between November 9-24th. Activity will be on the HF bands and mostly on CW. QSL via his home callsign.

SATELLITE/VHF TIDBITS.....
* Yuri, UT1FG/MM, reports having a very rare (Grid FK69ow -> GG24PL) 5217km 144.300 MHz contact with Alberto, ZP9SC, on November 2nd, at 2359z . Yuri monitors 50.110 and 144.300 MHz and is currently in the Atlantic (GL05) headed for the English Channel. When not on 6 and 2 meters, he is working the FM and SSB satellites with his

Elk and "CJU" antennas, and an IC706 from rare wet grids.

* Larry, VY0HL, in FP53 is back on the satellites. He favors VO-52
and is in the rare Canadian Territory of Nunavut.

* Daniel, AL7RS, in AP65 and in Teller, Alaska (on the Bearing Sea),
likes CW on FO-29. E-mail him for a schedule.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Ilian, LZ1CNN (ex-YI9LZ), will be active as T6LG from
Kandahar during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/
All-Band/Low-Power entry. Ilian will be here until February 2013. Activity
is usually on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL Manager is LZ1ZF. Postal
address since September 1st, 2012, for LZ1ZF is: G. Vodenicharov, P.O.
Box 25, 3600 Lom, BULGARIA. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. Also, the
log for T6LG is now available on ClubLog.

TF, ICELAND. Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active as TF2CW
in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry.
QSL via LX1NO. QTH is the TF2LL Borgarnes station.

TK, CORSICA. Paul, G4BKI (W4/VP9KF), will be active as TK/G4BKI from
Corsica between April 4-18th (2013) from various locations. QSL via
W4/VP9KF.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). The 2013 Cordell Expedition to Clipperton
Island posted on November 1st that Roman, US5WDX, has joined the TX5Q
team: http://www.cordell.org/CI/CI_pages/CI_Team.html

VU3/P, ANTARCTICA (Update). Gianni, I1HYW, informs OPDX that Bhagwati
Prasad is still active as VU3BPZ/P from the new Indian Base 'Bharati'
(WAP IND-04) in Antarctica, until November 22-23rd. The new team will
be there around November 15th, and Bhagwati (VU3BPZ) will move on board
the "P/S Ivan Papanin", soon after he hands over the Bharati radio equip-
ment. He should be ready to operate as VU3BPZ/MM between December 5-6th
and January 2nd (2013). At the moment, during the day light, he is busy
doing several duties and Bharati station activities, so it could be that
sometimes he cannot operate the radio as per schedule. However, when he
gets spare time, he will be on the frequencies as per the following table:
15M Band 21260 +/- 2 0915-1000z EU, ASIA & Pacific
17M Band 18150 +/- 2 1015-1200z JA, VU, Asia and Pacific
20M Band 14180 +/- 2 1400-1500z EU, ASIA & Pacific
17M Band 18150 +/- 2 1530-1615z EU, North America & ASIA
20M Band 14180 +/- 2 1630-1745z EU, South America
20M Band 14242 0130-0300z North & South America

Operations will be SSB for the above times/frequencies. The Bharati
Station (Larsemann Hills, Antarctica) is actually getting 19 hours of
daylight; sunrise 2126z, sunset 1554z and Local time +TC+5 hrs. QSL
for VU2BPZ/P is in the printing process. QSL Manager I1HYW will start
to QSL about November 15th.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLAND. Just a reminder that Hiro, JF1OCQ/W1VX/ZL1WY, is now
active as ZL7A from the Chatham Islands (OC-038) until November 9th.

Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes, with an emphasis on 80 and 6 meters. A beacon will be on 50.117 MHz around the clock. Hiro will use a TS-590S w/ACOM1000 into a Husler vertical for HF, and a FT-100 without a Linear Amp into 4 element yagi for 6 meters. QSL via JF1OCQ, direct (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau (E-mail requests available) or LoTW. NO eQSL. For more details, see:
http://w1vx.net/pedition/zl7/2012ZL7.htm

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Press Release). Ed, VK2ARE, Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR, sent out the following on October 26th: "Thanks for your support of ZL9HR - Campbell Island. This update will be short [edited]:
"Current Status:
Everything is on schedule; the team is excited and ready to begin their journey to New Zealand. Team members will begin arriving in Invercargill, NZ, on November 22nd.
The majority of our equipment arrived at a storage facility in Invercargill on Oct 18th.

Current Schedule:
November 23rd - The equipment will be taken to the NZ Department of Conservation (DoC) Quarantine Inspection station.

November 24th - Everything will be unpacked and inspected; including personal items, once inspected everything will remain at the station until departure.

November 25th - The team returns to the inspection station for DoC briefings on: safety, landing permit conditions and working around the islands wildlife.

November 26th - The team again returns to the DoC inspection station for inspection of personal items not processed on Nov. 24th.
- Equipment will be trucked to Bluff, NZ, and loaded aboard the boat for departure, currently scheduled at approximately 12:00 (local).
- Several local hams have offered to assist with loading the boat.

With good weather we estimate the voyage will take 40 hours, arriving at Perseverance Harbor sometime between midnight and 06:00 (local) on November 28th.
During the DX-pedition daily traffic with the team will be handled by the designated Pilot stations. We ask the DX community to direct their compliments / suggestions / concerns to the Pilots who will summarize and forward to us via E-mail. We plan to upload photos and logs on a daily basis. The Pilots are listed on the Team page of our web site at:
http://www.campbell2012.com
Team member Dave, K3EL, updated his ZL9HR blog on Oct. 21st at:
http://k3el.wordpress.com
Initially we had a band / mode survey page on the web site; due to

some Internet pranksters the survey was removed. However, we did collect
enough data to get a view of needed bands / modes.
In closing we want to again thank the corporate sponsors, clubs,
foundations and individuals who have provided products and funding to
make the activation of Campbell Island a reality after a long radio
silence.
That's it for now; safe travels to the ZL9HR team as they begin their
journey. Our next update will be in November from New Zealand.
73, Gene, K5GS, for the ZL9HR team"

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FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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2189. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 4th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 21:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121104210004.3A8F933C53@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1656
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 4th November 2012

CQ WW DX Contest

The CQ World Wide DX SSB contest took place over last weekend, ensuring that most of the SSB parts of the contest bands were busy for the full weekend. Plenty of EI stations were heard and many have posted reports of their efforts. The higher bands were in great condition: Ark EI9KC tells us that more than 50% of his QSOs were on 10 metres, while the single-band entry by Adam EI5JQ shows almost 2,000 QSOs on 10 metres. Niall EI4CF also entered the single-band category, concentrating exclusively on 40 metres, and Doug EI2CN reports almost 2,500 QSOs for his single-band entry on 15 metres.

As previously reported, Olivier, using the call sign EI1A, had hoped to operate for the duration of the contest using only renewable energy: he almost achieved this aim, using sun and wind power for most of the contest, however he did have to use the generator for a period when his battery voltage dropped below a safe level.

East Cork Amateur Radio Group, EI7M, had their new antennas up and running for the contest. With 7 operators they achieved an impressive QSO total of in excess of 9,000. Also in the multi-operator category we heard EI9E - Network Southern Area Radio Experimenters Club - operating from Wexford.

Foyle & District Amateur Radio Club's Annual Rally

Today Sunday 4th November

White Horse Hotel 68 Clooney Road Londonderry BT47 3PA

Doors Open 11.30am

The usual trade stands and some new trade stands. Special Interest Groups. Crafts, RSGB Books and QSL Cards. IRTS stand. Bring and buy plus a raffle.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group

The Annual General Meeting of the Tipperary Amateur Radio Group will take place on Wednesday the 7th of November in Raheen House Hotel,Raheen Road, Clonmel at 8:30 pm all are welcome.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group's Christmas get-together will take place this year on Friday the 7th December in Kilkenny city. It will be a very unofficial get-together and will probably involve getting some food and having a few drinks. We will be staying the night in Kilkenny. There will also be a raffle on the night with a few spot prizes and top prize of a radio. Any groups or individual who would like to join us are very welcome. Further details can be got from the club's P.R.O Sean EI2HZB on 083-1379764 or by email at seargpro /at/ hotmail.com. You can also get in touch with Sean through the SEARG page on Facebook.

The group are intending to run a CW course in early 2013. No set plans are in place yet but it will probably consist of 2 or 3 classroom classes and the rest of the course will be done over the radio. Brush up courses is also planned for those wishing to re-sit the licensing exam in early 2013. More information regarding both these courses will be published as soon as details are finalized.

The next monthly meeting of the club will take place in Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. on Monday the 26th November. The meeting will be preceded by a committee meeting at 8.00 pm. New members are always welcome. For up-to-date news about the club you can check our website www.searg.com and you can follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Opportunity for Young Ham Radio Operators

Amateur Radio Supplies in Haverhill, Massachusetts, USA have contacted us with news of a fantastic new program to support youth activity on the HF bands. They seek to help a few lucky young hams get on the HF bands and make some contacts! Do you know any deserving young hams? They will be giving away 3 complete HF stations per year in order to support activity on the ham bands. Full details can be found at the following link http://www.amateurradiosupplies.com/youth-s/222.htm or by contacting Ger McNamara EI4GXB, IRTS Youth Coordinator.

DX News

Hiro JF1OCQ is celebrating the 40th anniversary of obtaining his amateur licence in 1972 by making a return trip to Chatham Island. He was previously there in 2010 and he is reactivating his ZL7A callsign until 9 November. He is operating all bands 80-6m using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. The Islands on the Air reference is OC-038 and QSLs go via JF1OCQ.

Paul, formerly G4BKI, will be active as VP9KF in Bailey's Bay, Bermuda from 5 - 19 November. He has been active in Bermuda twice a year since 2006 and has built up a total of almost 20,000 QSOs. QSL info is direct to his address in Tampa, Florida - see QRZ.COM for full details.

Eric SM1TDE will be holidaying in Kenya from 5 - 22 November. He will operate CW only as 5Z4/SM1TDE on all bands 40 -10m. QSLs go via his home call and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Four amateurs will travel to St Peter and St Paul Rocks off the coast of Brazil and operate as PT0S from 10 - 22 November. Special permission for this DXpedition has been given by the Brazilian authorities as there is an official ban on amateur radio activities due to environmental and safety reasons from this rare DXCC entity. QSL Manager is HA7RY.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society

Final call for Radio Theory classes commencing Monday 5th November at club QTHR, 20.00. Everyone welcome. Registration terms and conditions available on the night.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2190. eHam.net News for Sunday 4 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-04 22:34:24 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f923d3c2a05e604cdb2f880@google.com>
Source record: 1657
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Scouts Learn Survival Skills at Camporee:

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 05:40 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29276

At 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, briskets were braising on the campfire grill at Alcove Spring as leaders prepared a stew for 140 hungry campers later that day. Boy Scouts and Webelos from several troops in the Oregon Trail District of the Jayhawk Council worked up an appetite throughout the annual Fall Camporee Friday, Saturday and Sunday near the actual path of the Oregon Trail. The boys stopped at a series of stations set up to teach them various skills such as walking across a rope bridge, building a forest shelter, and fire starting with various impromptu tools. The Marshall County Amateur Radio Club of ham radio operators were also set up in Grace's Meadow at Alcove Spring for a Jamboree on the Air. They helped the young Scouts talk with a troop in Iowa and other ham radio operators as far away as Germany.

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A Satellite That Spells Messages for Earthlings with Morse Code:

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 05:38 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29275

As satellites become smaller and launching them becomes more affordable, people are putting all sorts of wacky things into space. The Space Age has never been smaller. The era of mini (and micro, nano, and pico) satellites is upon us. After the last century of government-funded, multi-billion jaunts into space, the costs of space travel are coming within reach of the (almost) average citizen. Interorbital Systems claims it will launch TubeSat kits, "literally a satellite in a can," with hardware to "capture videos, send e-mail from space, and conduct experiments" for $8,000. The initial launches are scheduled to leave Spaceport Tonga in the Pacific Ocean. For those wishing to place their ashes into space, you (or your remains) can reach suborbital altitude for about $1,000 and deep space at a bargain basement price $13,000. But the plummeting costs and widening accessibility are inspiring more playful approaches to space travel as well. Takashi Tanaka, aeronautics proessor at the Fuzhou Institute of Technology in Japan, recently launched a microsat, called the FITSAT-1 or Niwaka, to flash Morse code messages to Earth using high-powered LEDs. The small, three-pound satellite has beamed a flashing message, "Hi this is Niwaka Japan" in dots and dashes visible around the world. FITSAT-1

launched aboard an unmanned supply vessel to the International Space Station and entered orbit this September. After about 100 days (and circling the earth 16 times daily), it will burn up in the atmosphere.

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The Gambia C5WP QRV 11-18 Nov:

Posted: 03 Nov 2012 05:43 PM PDT
http://www.eham.net/articles/29274

Pedro is visiting the Gambia to help a startup company www.africajeepsafari.com run by locals to get into tourism and earn their own living in a fair way, setting up a micro economy around locally organised (non multi national) jeep safari trips for Europeans/Americans.

2191. Hurricane Sandy and ARES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-05 02:06:28 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-E349C5.21062804112012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 1658

I haven't heard any ARES activity related to the hurricane. Were there any HF nets? Is there any activity coming out of the areas that are still without power? Does ARES still exist, other than on paper?

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Klystron

2192. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 4 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-05 03:38:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e889c3a5abd04cdb7381c@google.com>
Source record: 1659
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Hamming it up - Marlborough Express

Posted: 04 Nov 2012 07:19 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHoypBX8LuTTo_6CtU1CLa21lWT5A&url=http://www.stuff.co.nz/marlborough-express/news/7897937/Hamming-it-up

Hamming it up
Marlborough Express
Grant says amateur or "ham radio" is the only hobby governed by international regulations requiring participants to pass an examination answering technical questions about how it works and how it can be used. Grant got his licence in 1965 as a 14-year ...

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Chinese wonder-kid, 14, wins US Masters berth - Radio Netherlands

Posted: 04 Nov 2012 03:32 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF7wy8hed5Dh7aOqhYKh2Z5uyIcAA&url=http://www.rnw.nl/english/bulletin/chinese-wonder-kid-14-wins-us-masters-berth

CBC.ca
Chinese wonder-kid, 14, wins US Masters berth
Radio Netherlands
Fourteen-year-old Chinese prodigy Guan Tianlang is set to become the youngest-ever player at the US Masters after he held on for a one-stroke win at the Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship on Sunday. Guan, the youngest player in the field and the ...
Chinese teen pulling away at Asia-PacificWIS

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2193. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 5 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-05 11:30:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e838a8d1bde04cdbdce88@google.com>
Source record: 1660
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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President's update given at AMSAT-NA Annual Meeting in Orlando

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?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW gave a presentation to members at the
30th Space Symposium and Annual General Meeting in Orlando, Florida on
Saturday, October 27

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CPJ8FReT9gw/dxcc_report_0511.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
28th-October, through Sunday, 4th-November there were 228 countries active

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New UK Contest Reflectors

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QvXtUkcDG5A/new_uk_contest_reflectors.h
tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two new groups have been created on Yahoo Groups, one for HF Contesting and
one for V/UHF (incl. 50MHz) Contesting

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Mensa Radio Ham in Business Standard

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YMYdIBoerok/mensa_radio_ham_in_business
_standard.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Nirav Sanghavi VU2NHR is interviewed by the Indian Business
Standard as part of an article about Mensa

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Old City and Guilds papers and reports

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Pq-jmuL7O1Y/old_city_and_guilds_papers_

and_reports.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

If you are studying for your UK amateur radio licence, David, G4DMP has a website that may be of interest to you

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Phone has built-in VHF / UHF transceiver

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SMJyyy70jj0/phone_has_built_in_vhf_uhf_transceiver.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Puxing PX-D03 operates as a dual-band VHF/UHF transceiver as well as being a GSM mobile phone

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SEARG Christmas get-together

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KRebuiumBSU/searg_events.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group’s Christmas get-together will take place this year on Friday the 7th December in Kilkenny city, Ireland

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Radio Hams 'Tour' of emergency response car

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bMXD4CopOFI/radio_hams_tour_of_emergency_response_car.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Herald Express reports on a Torbay Amateur Radio Society meeting that started with a tour of an emergency response car packed to the gunnels with electronic kit

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VyoORcHbZDA/november_05.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Professor incorporates wireless technology into classroom

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The Hampshire Review reports that Professor Jill Schaumloeffel N2JLC attended the the Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology

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Next Sunday is Remembrance Day

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Every second Sunday in November, the South African Radio League, in a
special church service transmitted in the last 15 minutes of Amateur Radio
Today, remembers all those who lost their lives in defense of their country

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VooDoo in Liberia

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Look for the VooDoo Contest Group to once again be active from here between
November 17-27th. This is their 24th straight year

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History This Week

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2194. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 4th November 2012

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GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 4th November 2012

The news headlines:

* IRTS also opposes draft Power Line Transmission standard

* RSGB Extraordinary General Meeting

* GB3GC, a new six metre repeater

Following the news last week that the German National Society, DARC, now oppose a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard, we have heard that the Irish Radio Transmitters Society, like the RSGB, also opposes the Standard. In their magazine they say that "the draft Standard accepts that the PLT devices do not, in effect, meet the essential requirements of the EMC Directive as it prescribes measures to mitigate interference by permanently or dynamically excluding frequencies in the amateur, aeronautical mobile and broadcast bands." The IRTS Committee took the unanimous view that it would not be appropriate to support a draft Standard that sought only to protect selective sensitive frequencies in the HF spectrum without regard to the levels of interference that could be caused by the equipment concerned on the remainder of the HF spectrum. If you would like more information on this subject, the RSGB laid out their views some weeks ago. Details are in the October RadCom and on the RSGB website.

RSGB Members are encouraged to vote on the new governance arrangements for the Society, proposed in the November RadCom and shown on the RSGB website, whether by post, online or in person at the EGM. If you are attending the EGM on 17 November in Stratford, you will be interested to hear about the afternoon informal session. Visitors will learn about the plans for our forthcoming centenary year, and hear a fascinating presentation of some of the highlights of our history as we dip into the archives. With 100 years of history to celebrate, 2013 will be full of events for the Membership as well as the world-wide amateur community. Our history also provides a wealth of events from the momentous to the quirky and you will hear more about these on 17 November. If you are planning to attend please register your interest on the RSGB website.

A new six metre repeater, GB3GC, is up and running in south east Cornwall, on the same site as the 2m repeater GB3PL. This 6m repeater has its input on 51.230MHz FM and 500kHz spacing for its output at 50.730MHz. The CTCSS tone is 77Hz. Any enquiries should be directed to

Roger, 2E0RPH, whose details are correct on QRZ.com.

Radio amateurs around the world will not have missed the devastation caused by Hurricane Sandy to the Caribbean and then the Eastern Seaboard of the United States. The ARRL report on the role played by amateur radio is on their website at www.arrl.org/news. Sadly, on 29 October, a replica of the Bounty that was built in 1960 for a remake of the 1962 film Mutiny on the Bounty, sank off the coast of North Carolina as Hurricane Sandy made its way toward New Jersey. Of its 16 crew members, 14 were rescued by the US Coast Guard. Bounty Captain Robin Walbridge, KD4OHZ, never made it to one of the two deployed life rafts and is presumed dead. Doug Faunt, N6TQS, of Oakland, California, was one of the 14 who was rescued by the Coast Guard; Faunt served as a deckhand and was also the ship's electrician. Our thoughts go to the family and friends of KD4OHZ and all others who have been affected by Hurricane Sandy.

There have been no confirmed reception reports since the F-1 amateur radio CubeSat was deployed from the International Space Station on 4 October. The team is focusing on reception of the backup UHF transmitter, on 437.485MHz, plus or minus 10kHz Doppler shift. This FM beacon should transmit Morse code for 20 seconds every minute during daylight. The team would appreciate any reports of the beacon, which can be sent to Thu Trong Vu, XV9AA, by email to thuvt@fpt.edu.vn. Further information can be found on the AMSAT-UK website, www.amsat-uk.org.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 5 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 4 November sees the Holsworthy Amateur Radio Rally taking place at Holsworthy Community College, Victoria Hill, Holsworthy EX22 6JD. For more information, send an e-mail to gsowter@talktalk.net.

Also today, the Foyle & District ARC Rally will be held in the White Horse Hotel, 68 Clooney Road, Londonderry BT47 3PA. Doors open at 11.30am and there will be trade stands, special interest groups, an RSGB book stand and a Bring & Buy. More information from Philip, MI0MSO, by e-mail to mi0mso@yahoo.co.uk.

On Saturday 10 November the Rochdale & District ARS Traditional Radio Rally will take place at St Vincent's Church Hall, Cutgate, Rochdale OL12 7QL. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2.50. There will be a Bring & Buy. Details from Dave, G0PUD on 01706 346 517.

On 11 November, the West London Radio & Electronics Show, otherwise known as the Kempton Rally, will be held at Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames TW16 5AQ. There is free car parking and the doors open at 10am. Visitors will find trade stands, a Bring & Buy, special interest groups as well as a lecture programme. Details from Paul, M0CJX on 08451 650 351.

Now for the news of special events

GB4WLR will be on air on 11 November as part of the Remembrance Sunday commemorations. A World War One locomotive is expected to be in steam on the West Lancashire Light Railway at Hesketh Bank. The locomotive served behind the front lines during WW1 and is named Joffre. Also taking place that day is the annual BBC Children in Need fund raising day. QSL direct to Pam 2E1HQY or via the RSGB Bureau. More information can be found on QRZ.com.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

DL1LLL is currently operational portable as ZS7 from Antarctica on the HF bands. His location is the Neumeyer Emergency base. QSL via DL5EBE.

JA1PBV will be on the air from Mauritania as 5T5BV until 10 November. His activity has so far been on 30, 12 and 10m using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA1PBV.

DL8NU will be active as S79NU from Mahe Island in the Seychelles, IOTA AF -024, from 9 to 12 November. He will be operational on the HF bands mostly on CW. QSL via his home callsign.

Walter, HB9MFM will be active as J79WTA from the Tamarind Tree Hotel near Salisbury in Dominca until 17 December. Activity is holiday style on 10 through to 160 metres, using SSB, RTTY, PSK as well as SSTV, if possible. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the Bureau.

Kazu, 7L4XDT and Masa, K1GI will be active as PJ7XK and PJ7I, respectively, from 18 to 24 November from Sint Maarten, NA-105. Activity will be on 6 through to 160 metres using CW, SSB and the digital modes. QSL PJ7XK via 7L4XDT and PJ7I via JG2BRI.

Now the contest news

The Marconi CW Contest is the first VHF event of November and it finishes at 1400UTC today, 4 November. There are 6- and 24-hour sections for Open and Single-op Fixed entries. It's CW only on the 144MHz band, with the exchange being signal report, serial number and locator.

The 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 6 November from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

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For the whole 48 hours of next weekend, 10 and 11 November, the WAE DX RTTY Contest should keep the RTTY parts of the HF bands buzzing. Everybody can work everybody on RTTY. In WAE events reports of a previously conducted contest QSOs can add significantly to your total score, so it's well worth investigating in advance of the event how

they work. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 26th of October to the 1st of November compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 2nd of November.

Only four new sunspots groups appeared during the week, these, like the other visible sunspot groups, were mostly quiet, with only occasional small C class solar flares taking place on some days. On the 29th, 30th and the 1st, solar activity was at very low levels, with no C class solar flares taking place. Solar flux levels declined every day from 131 units on the 26th to 98 by the 1st. The average was 112 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 1st was 120, that's two units down on last week. X-ray flux levels declined from B5.1 units on the 26th to B2.2 by the end of the period. The average was B3.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day, except for the 1st when activity increased due to a coronal mass ejection that departed the Sun on the 29th. The Ap index on the 1st was 24 units. The average was 7 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline to a slow 260 kilometres per second by the 30th. Wind speeds then increased to 380 kilometres per second on the arrival of the disturbance. Particle densities were low but increased to 60 particles per cubic centimetre on the 31st. Bz varied between minus 3 and plus 2 nanoTeslas on the quiet days and between minus and plus 12 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. A weak radio aurora took place during the afternoon of the 1st, which extended down to northern Scotland during the afternoon.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. Solar activity is expected to be low, however, activity could decline further to very low levels on some days. Solar flux levels should be at their lowest for the next few days and be in the 90's but later in the week levels should increase. Geomagnetic activity could be unsettled at first due to a small coronal hole disturbance, but by midweek quiet levels should return. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be above 30MHz, especially early in the week until the coronal hole disturbance arrives, when MUFs could decline. Darkness hour lows should be around 9MHz. Paths this week to South Africa should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 35MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 27MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1500 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday the Advanced course continues, and there's a talk on wire antennas for dummies by Callum, M0MCX on Tuesday. Friday sees the shack social, and on Saturday it's the 160m Club Calls Contest in the shack. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. There's a club meeting on Tuesday to which non members and short wave listeners are warmly invited. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and on Friday there is a simplex club net on 145.450MHz FM. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air and preparing for its AGM on Monday. The AGM is in the main hall on Wednesday, stating at 8pm. On Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Central Radio Amateur Circle is running its Intermediate course via Skype on Tuesday. On Thursday there's a night on the air from 8pm on 145.375MHz. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 144MHz UK AC on Tuesday. Wednesday sees G5FZ on the air from the shack and a natter night at the BSA club. The club net is on 145.375MHz from 8pm on Thursday. The Saturday surgery in the shack starts at 9am, followed by the 1.8MHz Club Calls contest from 8pm until 11. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Notts Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 144MHz UK AC on Tuesday. On Wednesday there's a talk on the oscilloscope by G4EDX. Details from Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

Midland Amateur Radio Society is having a late Bonfire Night BBQ and training classes on Wednesday. Next Sunday sees a visit to the Kempton Park Rally. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on radio datamodes. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a radio related junk sale. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society has a club net on 145.275MHz FM. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 5 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Kegworth Steam Carnival by Peter Haywood. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is running a club net on 145.525MHz from 8pm. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. GX3ZME on the air HF/2m. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding its Great Egg Race. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Saturday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is taking part in the Club Calls Contest. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND Wakefield & District Radio Society is sad to announce the passing of a very well known and popular amateur, David Whelan, M0LAG. Dave had been in hospital for several weeks and finally succumbed on Saturday 27 October. The funeral will be held at Huddersfield Crematorium, Fixby Road, Huddersfield HD2 2JF on Tuesday 6 November at 1030 and afterwards at the Peacock Inn, Leeds Road, Huddersfield HD2 1XL. Family flowers only please, however donations are invited to Kirkwood Hospice. Dave was a very popular local amateur in West Yorkshire with a wicked sense of humour. Earlier in his life, he was an HGV driver and toured many parts of the country, popping up on repeaters everywhere. He will be particularly missed by the users of GB3YW in West Yorkshire on which he was a regular. Dave also spent quite a considerable amount of time fundraising for the Five Towns Repeater Group, who run GB3YW, GB3WY and GB3WC, at the Northern Cross Rally and others. He was a great guy who will be sorely missed.

On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the art and Heartache of DXing by Andrew, G0HSA. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday Workington and District Radio and IT Group is holding a club meeting and is on the air. Contact Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is watching a DVD on operating the K3. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is continuing its tests with PSK31. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a film night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having an open meeting to discuss its 40th Anniversary celebrations in 2013. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by G3XYF. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is on the air on 2m. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a talk on Morse code by Dave, G4CLI. Details from Ken, G8FSO on 07900 563 117.

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On Saturday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Club Calls contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Saturday Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate course continues from 13:30 with Chris, M0KJP. Details from Bill 2E0IPC on 07905 178 845.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND Today and next Sunday West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having a club night with talks, quiz and a raffle. On Friday there's project work and learning. More information from Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

On Wednesday 7 November Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club has its monthly breakfast meeting today from 9am at The Goring Caf©. On Wednesday there's a talk on the science and technology of skateboarding and longboarding by Jonathan Hare, G1EXG, and next Saturday it's the Club Calls Contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Farnborough & District Radio Society has a CW net on Monday at 1pm on 3.570MHz, then a Top Band net on 1.995MHz at 8pm. The 2m net on Friday is on 144.675 MHz at 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a junk sale. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a broken equipment evening with Jeremy, G8MLK. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday East Kent Radio Society is having a talk on screen reading computers by Brian, M0DCO. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a talk on cryptanalysis by Peter, G3ZPB. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Leiston Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Andy, G3ZYP, on 01394 460 441.

On Wednesday Banbury Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on working satellites, AMSAT & FunCube. Details from John, G8OZH, on 07774 525 818.

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On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having an introduction to Club Log by Michael Wells, G7VJR. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a club night, with CW practice from 8:30 - 9pm Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday Edgware & District Radio Society is holding a round table discussion on the diversity of amateur radio. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is on the air on VHF. Contact David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Peter Best on Clansman radios. Details from Tim Ward, 2E0TJW, on 07810 481 182.

On Thursday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club has its construction contest, organised by Robin Caine, G4IWS. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is watching a DVD. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Thursday Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening with the GB3VH repeater group. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Friday Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a computer question time with Mark, M1MPW. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has had to move its November meeting day and venue due to building work at the Marconi Social Club. The November meeting will be on Friday at Great Baddow Parish Hall, CM2 7DW, from 7.30pm, when Louis Poli, N3OL, will give a talk on classic valves, vintage equipment and an amateur experimenter's valve radio station. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008 for more information. The CARS training courses are not affected and continue as normal at Danbury Village Hall. To find out more about the training courses speak to Clive, G1EUC on 01245 224 577.

On Friday Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on RAYNET by David, M0XIX. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on QRSS and digital modes by Carl. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the Club Calls contest. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its Monday HF net at 19.45 on 3.675MHz. The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 19:45 and on Thursday it's the 4m net on 70.425MHz from 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is on the air. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on magnetic loop aerials by Paul, M0SSJ. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is judging entries for the G2BQY & G4UNU Constructor's Cup. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club has an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Poole Radio Society Club is having a speakers' night. Contact Bill Coombes, G4ERV, via email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and running the TARS 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding a surplus sale. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is having a back to basics evening. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a build night, offering a chance for soldering practice. Contact Frank Bailey, M1EYH, by email to fcbailey20@btinternet.com.

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2195. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 29 October - 04 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-05 16:30:07 UTC
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
29 October - 04 November 2012

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. The largest flares of
the period were a pair of C1 flares from Regions 1596 (N07, L=150,
class/area Eho/460 on 21 October) and 1598 (S12, L=111, class/area
Dki/420 on 23 October) at 0507 UTC and 1139 UTC on 31 October,
respectively. Other activity of note was a 24 degree long filament
eruption centered at S32E07 that occurred from 0640-0855 UTC on 30
October. No Earth-directed coronal mass ejections (CMEs) were
observed during the reporting period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
moderate levels on 29-30 October and again on 01 November. High
levels were reached on 31 October. Normal background levels were
observed from 02-04 November.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels with major
to severe storm periods observed at high latitudes. The period began
with quiet conditions until a sudden increase in solar wind speed at
the ACE spacecraft from 290 - 360 km/s occurred at approximately
31/1445 UTC. A sudden impulse (13 nT) was observed at the Boulder
magnetometer at 1539 UTC on 31 October. This initial activity was
due to a pair of CMEs resulting from filament eruptions on 27 and 28
October. The geomagnetic field responded with a unsettled period
during the 1500-1800 UTC period on 31 October. At approximatly
31/2348 UTC, the total magnetic field (Bt) increased from 9 to 15 nT
while the Bz component rotated to a southward (negative) component
for approximately 20 hours (maximum deflection of 11 nT). The
geomagnetic field responded with quiet to active levels with major
to severe storm periods observed at high latitudes on 01 November.
By 02 November through the rest of the reporting period, quiet
conditions prevailed.
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Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
05 November - 01 December 2012

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low until 08 November.
>From 08-21 November, a chance for M-class flares exist as old Region
1594 (S27, L=199) rotates across the visible disk. From 22 November
until the end of the forecast period, very low to low levels are
expected.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at high levels from 09-24 November. Normal to
moderate levels are expected from 25 November through 01 December.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to unsettled
through the forecast period. Unsettled conditions with a chance for
active periods are expected from 08-11 November and again on 13
November due to activity from a recurrent coronal hole high speed
stream.

2196. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 5 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 03:16:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51dde5d2f34a404cdcb0849@google.com>
Source record: 1663
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators to hold fundraiser - Idaho Mountain Express and Guide

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 01:42 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNELklh3QSwudw4EQuEG6KXRIMgW-w&url=http://www.mtexpress.com/vu_breaking_story.php?bid%3D98624

Ham radio operators to hold fundraiser
Idaho Mountain Express and Guide
NEWS UPDATES: Updated: November 5th, 2012 2:38 PM. Ham radio operators to hold fundraiser. By :KATHERINE WUTZ. The Wood River Amateur Radio Club will hold its third annual fundraiser this weekend to support the Baldy/Galena repeater system.

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Isabella County ham radio volunteers wanted to assist in crises - The Morning Sun

Posted: 21 Oct 2012 04:19 AM PDT
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Isabella County ham radio volunteers wanted to assist in crises
The Morning Sun
Ham or amateur radio operation is the use of designated radio frequency spectrum for use in private recreation, non-commercial communication, wireless experimentation, self-training and for use in emergencies. The International Telecommunication Union ...

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Amateur radio club to host scout troops - Lompoc Record

Posted: 18 Oct 2012 12:19 AM PDT
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Amateur radio club to host scout troops. The Satellite Amateur Radio Club will host several Central Coast Boy Scout troops at the clubs facility Saturday and Sunday at Vandenberg Air Force Base. As in prior years, the club will provide licensed ...

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2197. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 07:38:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61543210351304cdceafac@google.com>
Source record: 1664
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QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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NCTECH 2012

Posted: 04 Nov 2012 03:20 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367186-NCTECH-2012&goto=newpost

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For more information as the date approaches, please visit www.wc5c.org

Information for contact Paul WB5IDM at wb5idm@gmail.com

2198. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 11:44:32 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e80f2cab52604cdd21f81@google.com>
Source record: 1665
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radio switchover delayed as listeners shun digital

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qM-N6-FRXC4/radio_switchover_delayed_as_listeners_shun_digital.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The switchover to digital radio is likely to be delayed because the
Government has failed to meet listening targets

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Integrating internet technology with Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iRnILzW3hsQ/integrating_internet_technology_with_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The October CQ magazine features an article about the New York City Amateur
Radio Emergency Communications Service (NYC-ARECS)

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2W1RSS working UA0BA in Siberia, Asiatic Russia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vYskNO84il4/2w1rss_working_ua0ba.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Russ Hark 2W1RSS has made available a video showing him working a station
in Siberia, Asiatic Russia on 15m

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Wireless networking blamed for permanent rain belt

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UAHhsWhjEgU/wireless_networking_blamed_for_permanent_rain_belt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Recent investigations of interference to the MetService weather radars,
causing apparently permanent rain belts to show on the display, indicate
most problems are arising from wireless networking service equipment in the
5.6GHz band

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Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club announcement

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D7KR9YPJu8Y/ethiopian_amateur_radio_club_announcement.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In celebration of our dear mentor's passing, Mr. Sidney May ET3SID, our club will make 10,000 QSOs beginning on Tuesday, October 29, 2012, and ending once the QSO count has been achieved

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IARU Region 3 Conference Viet Nam

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The 15th IARU Region 3 Conference is being held in Viet Nam from November 5-9, 2012

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HAMNET involved in aircraft search

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Zbe2cpP9jqQ/hamnet_involved_in_aircraft_search.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

HAMNET, the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Organisation for South Africa has concluded it's involvement in a cross-border Search and Rescue operation for a missing aircraft

2199. Re: Hurricane Sandy and ARES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 15:58:46 UTC
From: John Ferrell <W8CCW@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <2pbi9897epohdl1m9j7c3sq0aab3fqgfd1@4ax.com>
Source record: 1666

This situation has more heads than the legendary Hydra and is
requiring multitudes of small but coordinated incidents. A single huge
operation is not called for. In many areas it will take days or more
to pump out or provide a safe area to enter. Your local ARES or Red
Cross can probably provide guidance on how you can help.

What is not needed is independent action at this time. Unidentified
personnel in any disaster site must be considered looters and dealt
with accordingly.

ARES is alive and well. They are flexible problem solvers but the very
nature of the work can requires some mistakes are made on their part.

I am not a member because I have an active role in Public Safety that
requires my attention at the same time they are needed most!

Thank you for asking, it gave me a chance to express my gratitude to
those who volunteer so many hours in Public Safety.

On Sun, 04 Nov 2012 21:06:28 -0500, Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz> wrote:

> I haven't heard any ARES activity related to the hurricane. Were
>there any HF nets? Is there any activity coming out of the areas that
>are still without power? Does ARES still exist, other than on paper?
John Ferrell W8CCW

2200. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 17:14:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6152b8d10e0704cdd6bcd1@google.com>
Source record: 1667
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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ANS-309 AMSAT News Service Weekly Bulletins

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http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367363-ANS-309-AMSAT-News-Service-Weekly-Bulletins&goto=newpost

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President's Update Given at AMSAT-NA Annual Meeting in Orlando

AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW gave a presentation to members at the 30th Space Symposium and Annual General Meeting in Orlando, Florida on Saturday, October 27.

Barry noted the significant strides AMSAT has accomplished in the area of education outreach reflected by the appointment of Mark Hammond, N8MH, as AMSAT's VP-Educational Relations. Over the past year Mark has been developing a team to enhance our capabilities in this area and worked with the ARRL to develop new approaches to STEM education that will translate into future opportunities in space.

Barry provided a summary of additional accomplishments for 2012:

Fox selection by NASA for an ELaNa Launch based on our STEM educational activities.The Fox-1 project is on schedule planning for launch in the 2nd half of 2013.The Engineering Team has developed a capable and motivated staff.Evolving partnerships for future launch opportunities are under way.AMSAT has continued to deal with ITAR issues. The publication of the Fox design in the Symposium Proceedings book opens the path to placing the work in the public domain which is expected to relieve many ITAR issues going forward.Appointment of Frank Bauer, KA3HDO as VP-Human Spaceflight will allow AMSAT to develop additional opportunity in this area.Implementation of the new ARISS school selection process.Re-establishment of the AMSAT store on-line.Steps are being taken to revive the AMSAT Journal. Appointment of JoAnne Maenpaa, K9JKM as the new Editor.ANS is a world-class distributor of information about amateur radio in space. One new ANS Editor has joined the weekly rotation with openings for additional volunteers.

Many details of AMSAT's future partnerships for launch opportunities will be published in the AMSAT Journal. A link to the President's Report will be added to our http://www.amsat.org web page.

[ANS thanks AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW for the above information]

Update on AO-27 Recovery Work

AO-27 Command Station Michael Wyrick, N3UC provides updates on the team's attempts to recover the satellite on their web page. They are

working to return AO-27's FM repeater back to service after it stopped responding on October 5.

In early October AO-27 was restored back to running on its primary Bootloader. Control operators were able to turn on the Transmitter for a short time on several occasions. Also required were multiple recoveries the stuck AFSK modem which was one of the initial symptoms of the problems.

During recovery efforts AO-27 crashed once again on October 16. The command team once again recovered to the bootloader state, recovered

from another occurrence of the AFSK modem problem and once again performed another software upload.

On October 18 the transmitter was left ON in an attempt to discharge the batteries with the hope that faults could be cleared. Once the battery was recharged last week the high-level EOS software aboard AO-27 ran for a few seconds before locking up. The team was able to reset it back to the bootloader. Dumps indicate it is locking up while fetching telemetry from the hardware. Michael, N3UC, wrote, "It does not look like there will be a quick resolution to this crash."

ATTENTION OPERATORS: To prevent interfering with the command team's recovery efforts, if you can't hear AO-27 in Analog mode, please

don't transmit to it.

The latest AO-27 news is posted on its webpage:

http://www.ao27.org/AO27/index.shtml

Mode V/U (J) FM Voice Repeater Frequencies

Uplink
145.8500 MHz
FM

Downlink
436.7950 MHz
FM

[ANS thanks AO-27 Command Station Michael Wyrick, N3UC for the above information]

Successful ARISS School Contacts

Japan

Meikei High School in Tsukuba, Japan participated in an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Tuesday, October 23. Students from the science club, who are studying orbital mechanics and amateur radio satellite communications, used their own radio station, JJ1YAF to make the call to on-orbit astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, KE5DNI, an alumnus of the school. The contact was conducted in Japanese. Approximately 60 people were in attendance and media coverage included 4 newspapers as well as the Japan Broadcasting Corporation, NHK.

Massachusetts

On Friday, October 26, students from East Falmouth Elementary School in East Falmouth, Massachusetts took part in a successful Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB. Students asked 18 questions concerning what it is like to live in space and the experiments conducted on the Space Station. The contact was integrated into science lessons about the solar system, global climate changes on Earth and the advances in science and technology generated by space exploration. Over 100 students and guests were in attendance and reporters from two newspapers were present. Video of the event is posted at: http://tinyurl.com/ARISS-Falmouth (YouTube)

Three Successful ARISS Contacts on October 30

South Florida Science Museum (SFSM), West Palm Beach, Florida had a successful Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact on Tuesday, October 30. SFSM and the West Palm Beach Amateur Radio Club, WPBARC, which maintains a radio station within the museum, worked with area teachers to provide educational content to students emphasizing NASA, the ISS and amateur radio. Read the details of the wide media coverage of this event as reported in ANS-302:
http://amsat.org/pipermail/ans/2012/000661.html

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) contact was successful with the Southern Tier Catholic and Archbishop Walsh Academy, Olean, New York on Tuesday, October 30 via telebridge station IK1SLD in Italy. The contact was part of a comprehensive education curriculum which will pique students' interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

Cumberland Elementary School, West Lafayette, Indiana had a successful Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) on Tuesday, October 30. The contact was integrated into a curriculum covering topics on space research, robotics and engineering. Other activities planned include night sky observations, model rocketry and electrical circuit projects.

[ANS thanks Carol, KB3LKI, and the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) Status Report for the above information]

Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy ARISS Contact Wins PR Award

As Clint Bradford, K6LCS of Jurupa Valley said, "It was 13 months of planning for 10 minutes of conversation, but, oh!, what a conversation!"

"'LIVE! from outer space!' Students speak to an astronaut in the orbiting International Space Station" was the special event on April 19, 2012 that earned an award for Karen and Clint Bradford in annual competition by the Public Relations Society of America. The event was planned for the 120 students of Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy and more than 80 parents, community leaders, media representatives and interested persons.

Clint initiated the event because of his hobby in ham radio and volunteer position with NASA through Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS): He provides school technical support for students in North America to talk to astronauts aboard the orbiting space station. NASA's "Teaching from Space" program is available to any school that applies, but the typical wait-time from application to event is three years.

He approached Kathy Rohm, vice president and director of community relations at Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy, which is supported by the Tom Wathen Center. She was enthusiastic to sponsor the literally out-of-this-world, once-in-a-lifetime special event to inspire students. More than 2,900 emails flew between Clint, Kathy, NASA, Flabob staffer Nina Bentham and ARISS volunteers to produce the event.

NASA-Houston flight director Phil Engelauf, who grew up in Rubidoux and whose mother, Beverly, still lives here, was invited to the event.

His duties prevented him from attending, but he sent warm regards to the students in a special message that is posted at the event's Web site - http://iss-flabob.com (on the blog).

The event went according to plan, except for a momentary glitch with audio quality, despite having tested the system for three days preceding the event. Clint quickly figured out a solution, although he later said that he was only 90 seconds from NASA terminating the call if he had not succeeded.

"When we looked around the hangar at the conclusion of the contact, hearing the students' whoops of happiness, we saw more than a few adults wiping at their eyes us included," Karen said. "We felt intensely rewarded to think how our students may feel throughout their lives when they look up in the sky and remember the thrilling day when Flight Engineer Don Pettit answered their questions."

Student Brittany Cain had asked, "Besides missing your family and friends, what is the biggest adjustment you have made for this mission?" The assembled group laughed when Pettit replied he missed not being able to take a bath for six months!

The mission of Flabob Airport Preparatory Academy is to use aviation as a tool to motivate students to achieve their personal, academic, and career goals.

Current statistics reveal that American students severely lag behind their foreign peers: In a study of 31 countries, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development ranked Americans 21st in science and 25th in math. Consequently, President Obama launched the Educate to Innovate Campaign in 2009 to unite teachers, parents, businesses and students toward excellence in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) studies.

Karen is a current member and past president of PRSA's California Inland Empire Chapter. There are more than 80 local members.

[ANS thanks the Public Relations Society of America and Clint Bradford, K6LCS for the above information]

Hurricane Damage Delays First Cuba National Satellite Meeting

The first National Meeting of Cuba's new □Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales□, GROS which was scheduled for November 8-11 has been delayed due to the severe impact caused by Hurricane Sandy last week to the eastern provinces of Cuba. Raydel Espinet CM2ESP reports the meeting will now be delayed to January, 2013.

The Meeting location at Camagüey did not receive any damage but the provinces of "Santiago de Cuba", "Holguín" and "Guantánamo" were badly affected and many houses, schools and factories loss their roofs or were damaged by fallen trees. Several ham radio operators lost their houses.

Most of the state resources are now been prioritized to assist to the people of this three provinces that lost their houses. Under this circumstances we were asked to reschedule the National Meeting and the Coordination Board agreed with the request as a solidarity to our colleagues.

Many other activities the National Amateur Radio Federation (F.R.C.) had scheduled were also postponed included its National Council.

We are working on possible dates not sooner than January. We sorry for all of the inconvenience and the G.R.O.S. Coordination Board (Grupo de Radioaficionados para Operaciones Satelitales) will announce the new date when possible.

We still have great hopes with this First Meeting and during this extra months we will work harder to improve our work and make it better.

When the meeting convenes there are plans for a special callsign T47G, which will be active every day on HF and satellites, in the FL11 grid. There are 4 conferences, 4 workshops, 1 exposition and as many demonstrations as passes currently scheduled.

In the meantime the G.R.O.S VHF FM Net devoted entirely to the Amateur Radio Satellites continues to meet on 145.550 MHz. The net will be on the air every Friday from 19:00 to 20:00 local time in Havana. CM2ESP is the Net Control Station.

They are looking forward to hear about Hector□s (CO6CBF) experience and stories about his participation in the AMSAT Symposium in Orlando

during this First Meeting. The Group also wants to thanks to Patrick, WD9EWK, and all the people at AMSAT for their very important support to Hector. We want to send a big congrats to Hector too.

[ANS thanks GROS Coordinator Raydel Abreu Espinet, CM2ESP for the above information]

Special Symposium Visitor Hector Martinez, CO6CBF Back Home

Hector Martinez, CO6CBF traveled from Cuba to the AMSAT Symposium in Orlando last week. AMSAT had extended an invitation for Hector to attend and to make a presentation. Thanks to the work done by Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK, Hector was able to obtain a visa to come to the United States for the Symposium.

Patrick, WD9EWK posted an update, "On my way home from the airport, I called Hector. He made it home OK, and is now in the process of clearing the gear he brought back from Florida through the processes of Cuban Customs and the Cuban communications ministry. This is normal, and he was confident he could get everything cleared without incident. Hector also said he hopes to be able to post a message to thank everyone that helped make his trip to Florida possible."

Patrick says he incurred expenses related to bringing Hector to the Symposium totaling $2413.30. Upon returning home he found he has received

contributions totaling $1960.00 for the "Hector fund". He wrote, "If there are other contributions in the mail, I will add that to my spreadsheet and post an update later. I don't think I will need any other contributions toward this effort. THANK YOU ALL!"

Video of Hector's presentation at the Symposium, "Working Satellites With a Homebrew Setup, Cuban Style" is posted on-line at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eocmIubIBQ4

Hector, CO6CBF wrote, "It was a wonderful trip! Thanks very much to everyone who helped to come true this wonderful dream. I will never forget your help, solidarity and good wishes on this long process. I really appreciate it! My special thanks to the AMSAT Board of Directors and to Patrick WD9EWK who did an exceptional job on this process. The amateur radio by satellites is more than interchange gird locators; the AMSAT community is like a big family. Thanks very much again."

[ANS thanks Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK/VA7EWK and Hector, CO6CBF for the above information]

F-1 Amateur Radio CubeSat Update

News posted on the AMSAT-UK web reports Thu Trong Vu XV9AA has provided this update on F-1:

The attempts to recover the CubeSat are now focusing on reception of the backup UHF FM channel 437.485 MHz (+/-10 kHz Doppler shift). This FM beacon should transmit Morse Code for 20 seconds every minute during daylight.

The team would appreciate any reports of the beacon which can be sent to Thu Trong Vu XV9AA at thuvt@fpt.edu.vn

November 2, 2012, FSpace laboratory, FPT University issued an official report stating that no signal is heard from F-1 CubeSat after its deployment to space from the International Space Station (ISS) a month ago. However, the project team confirms that they are working to troubleshoot the problem.

According to Thu Trong Vu XV9AA, Project Manager, □As soon as F-1 was deployed from the ISS, FSpace□s ground station in Hanoi and other amateur radio stations around the world have been listening on F-1□ frequencies 145.980 MHz and 437.485 MHz but so far nothing heard except for a few uncertain reports of a weak signal during the first few days.

Preliminary analysis points to failure of the satellite□s power supply subsystem as the cause of the problem. At the moment FSpace team together with US partner NanoRacks are collecting information, analyzing different scenarios that could happen to the satellite in orbit and experimenting with the Engineering Model (an identical backup unit) of F-1 CubeSat in the laboratory to determine the problem. The team is also planning to send uplink commands to the satellite in an effort to restart the onboard microcontroller. However, the chance of recovery is slim, the team acknowledged.

Currently, F-1 CubeSat is orbiting the Earth at an average altitude of 400km (perigee 390 km, apogee 410 km) and being tracked by NORAD as object #38855. Its altitude decreases with time due to friction with the atmosphere (atmospheric drag) and summarized in the following table. According to orbital analysis, the satellite has an orbital lifetime of about 5 months (until March 2013) before descending low and burn up completely in the atmosphere.

F-1□s mission goals are to □survive□ the space environment, taking photos of the Earth and communicating with the ground control station at a speed of 1200 bit per second. Mr Thu said: □Although we haven□t heard from F-1, during the course of the project team members have learned valuable knowledge and gained practical experience in developing a pico-satellite. This is an important stepping stone for us to move forward in the long journey to the stars□.

F-1 frequencies:

145.980 MHz: main channel, 1.0W RF output, FM, AFSK 1200bps, one telemetry packet every 30 seconds, operates in the dark by default (but can be commanded later to operate in sunlight as well)437.485 MHz: backup channel, 0.2W RF output, FM, PWM CW beacon, each beacon transmission lasts about 20 seconds then 60 seconds delay, only operates in sunlight

More information and guide to download F-1 telemetry decoder can be found at http://fspace.edu.vn/?page_id=27. Decoded data can be sub-mitted to us via the telemetry decoder or by sending directly to: thuvt at fpt.edu.vn. Audio recordings are highly appreciated.

Read the full article at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11280 - and -http://www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11322

[ANS thanks AMSAT-UK and the F-1 CubeSat Team for the above information]

2013 CanSat Competition Applications Due November 30

Applications currently are being accepted for the 2013 CanSat Competition.

This annual competition is open to university and college students from the United States, Canada, Mexico and other countries. Teams of three to 10 students must design, build and launch a sensor payload called a CanSat. Each CanSat is slightly larger than a soda can and must be built according to the specifications released by the competition organizing committee.

All teams entering the CanSat competition are required to have a faculty adviser. The faculty adviser will oversee and be responsible for the conduct of the team at all times during the competition. The advisor is strongly encouraged to accompany the team to the competition.

Applications are due Nov. 30, 2012.

For more information about the competition and to download the application, visit http://www.cansatcompetition.com/.

Questions about this competition should be directed to:
questions@juno.nrl.navy.mil.

[ANS thanks NASA Education Express for the above information]

NASA Offers Spot The Space Station Service Via Text or E-mail

WASHINGTON -- On the 12th anniversary of crews continuously living and working aboard the International Space Station, NASA announced

Friday a new service to help people see the orbiting laboratory when it passes overhead. "Spot the Station" will send an email or text message to those who sign up for the service a few hours before they will be able to see the space station.

"It's really remarkable to see the space station fly overhead and to realize humans built an orbital complex that can be spotted from Earth by almost anyone looking up at just the right moment," said William Gerstenmaier, NASA's associate administrator for human exploration and operations. "We're accomplishing science on the space station that is helping to improve life on Earth and paving the way for future exploration of deep space."

When the space station is visible -- typically at dawn and dusk -- it is the brightest object in the night sky, other than the moon. On a clear night, the station is visible as a fast moving point of light, similar in size and brightness to the planet Venus. "Spot the Station" users will have the options to receive alerts about morning, evening or both types of sightings.

The International Space Station's trajectory passes over more than 90 percent of Earth's population. The service is designed to only notify users of passes that are high enough in the sky to be easily visible over trees, buildings and other objects on the horizon. NASA's Johnson Space Center calculates the sighting information several times a week for more than 4,600 locations worldwide, all of which are available on "Spot the Station."

Nov. 2 marks 12 years of continuous human habitation of the space station.

To sign up for "Spot the Station," visit: http://spotthestation.nasa.gov

For information about the International Space Station and a full list of sightings, visit: http://www.nasa.gov/station

ANS thanks NASA for the above information]

Satellite Shorts From All Over

Jan Poppeliers, ON7UX has put together a short video compilation of the AMSAT-UK Colloquium held in Guildford September 14-16:http://tinyurl.com/Colloquium-ON7UX (Southgate). Video of all of the Colloquium presentations can be found at: http://www.uk.amsat.org/?page_id=10953Video of the launch of the Progress 49 cargo craft headed for the ISS can be viewed on-line at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature...&v=HItD7pg4htU This flight took

advantage of the new abbreviated four-orbit rendezvous with the ISS. This flight was slated to bring a new VHF amateur radio handheld to the ISS. Due to crew scheduling the new radio is not planned to be activated until early 2013.Update your keps! Russian Mission Control said the orbit of the International Space Station (ISS) was raised on Thursday by one kilometer to avoid a possible collision with US Iridium-33 satellite debris. The maneuver to adjust the station's orbit lasted about seven minutes. The orbital readjustment was made using the thrusters of Russia's Progress-M-16M spacecraft, docked with the station.A report on Space-Travel.com says "Japan Plans to Launch New Carrier Rocket in 2013." JAXA announced the Epsilon carrier rocket to replace their M-5 Rocket. Epsilon's goal is to have an inexpensive rocket to launch compact low-cost satellites into orbit. Read the full story posted at: http://tinyurl.com/Japan-Epsilon.South Korea sets new window for rocket launch. South Korea said Monday it would make another atempt to send a satellite into space sometime during a November 9-24 window from the Naro Space Centre on the south coast next month after a scheduled rocket launch last week was cancelled because of a technical glitch. Read the full story posted at: http://tinyurl.co/SK-Launch-DelayEnjoy a video that will take you from the Big Bang to our current human state in 90 seconds at: http://tinyurl.com/Life-in-90 seconds (UniverseToday.com)+ NASA TV posted a video segment filmed from an altitude of 254 statute miles using external cameras on the ISS as it captured views of Hurricane Sandy on October 29, 2012 as it barreled toward a landfall along the New Jersey coastline: http://tinyurl.com/ISS-Sandy (YouTube)A timelapse video of NASA GOES-13 weather satellite photos of Sandy can be viewed at: http://tinyurl.com/goes13-Sandy (YouTube)Prior to a successful splash down of the first commercial cargo delivery to the ISS, SpaceX posted a video of Dragon's departure. The frames are speeded up 15X to show the entire departure sequence from the ISS: http://tinyurl.com/SpaceX-Departure (YouTube)13-14 November - total solar eclipse in a narrow band of the Earth□s surface, running across northern Australia and into the South Pacific and across the international dateline. The eclipse peaks at 22:11 UT. Observers in all of Australia, New Zealand, and parts of southern Chile will see a partial solar eclipse (with proper solar filters, of course). Details posted at: http://eclipse.gsfc.nasa.gov/SEplot/...2012Nov13T.GIFThe next Hudson Valley Satcom net date is Thursday, November 8 at 9 PM EST (UTC-5) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater (PL 100). An echolink connection is available on the N2EYH-L node. More information at: http://www.hvsatcom.org. (Stu, WA2BSS)

[ANS thanks everyone for the above information]

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In addition to regular membership, AMSAT offers membership in the President's Club. Members of the President's Club, as sustaining donors to AMSAT Project Funds, will be eligible to receive additional benefits. Application forms are available from the AMSAT Office.

Primary and secondary school students are eligible for membership at one-half the standard yearly rate. Post-secondary school students enrolled in at least half time status shall be eligible for the student rate for a maximum of 6 post-secondary years in this status. Contact Martha at the AMSAT Office for additional student membership information. And with that, please keep in mind that Sgr-A*, the 26,000 light-year distant black hole in the middle of our Milky Way galaxy, is consuming a gas cloud so large that it will take a decade, 2010 to 2020, to complete the encounter. Currently the dust in the cloud is approximately twice as hot as the surface temperature on Earth. The hydrogen gas in the cloud is twice as hot as the surface of the sun. A year from now temperatures in the cloud will become detectable to radio and X-ray telescopes on Earth as well as orbiting satellites such as NASA's Chandra X-ray Observatory.

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This week's ANS Editor,

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Sale of IRCs may be discontinued in the US

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 04:47 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367357-Sale-of-IRCs-may-be-discontinued-in-the-US&goto=newpost

The USPS is attempting to discontinue the sale of International Reply Coupons. (IRCs) They are requesting approval from the Postal Regulatory Commission to discontinue sales on Jan 27, 2013. Redemption of IRCs will continue for IRCs purchased in foreign countries.

Click Here for more info.

2201. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 17:25:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc3764b0efd04cdd6e249@google.com>
Source record: 1668
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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ZS7V Antarctica

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 10:34 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367297-ZS7V-Antarctica&goto=newpost

Adam, ZS7V will be active from South African National Antarctic Exploration
(SANAE) base Antarctica starting February 2013 until February 2014

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...on_sanae-base/

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2202. [DXNL] DXNL 1805 (Nov 7, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 23:05:14 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <693653093.20121106213835@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 1669
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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3A, MONACO
Max,3A/ON5UR, and Marc,3A/ON8AK, will be QRV in SSB on 80m-10m working with two stations simultaneously from Nov 9-17. A website will be installed as well. QSL via M0URX (OQRS).

7Q, MALAWI
David,WA1LBP, got the callsign 7Q7DFC on Oct 10. He has been spotted on 10m and 6m already. QSL via OE4VIE.
See also: https://twitter.com/DavidinMalawi/status/262098485699047424

A5, BHUTAN
Zorro,JH1AJT, will show up as A5A from the capital Thimphu working on 40m-10m during his spare time from Nov 8-15. He is working for the Foundation for Global Children (FGC). QSL via homecall.
See also: http://www.fgc.or.jp/english

BV, TAIWAN, AS-020
The special event stations BM0LF and BV2013LF are celebrating the Taiwan Lantern Festival 2013 in Hsinchu until Mar 10, 2013.
QSLs via BM2JCC. See also: http://www.2013taiwanlantern.net/en

CE, CHILE, SA-018
Javier,CD6713, on Chiloe Island (SA-018) has an aspirant's license and is allowed to work on 10m, 40m, 80m and VHF.
See: http://www.federachi.cl/index.php/reglamento-y-normas?start=2

CX, URUGUAY
The first transmission of "Radio Paradizabal" was broadcasted on Nov 6, 1922. "Radiogrupo Sur" activates the special event station CW90A in all modes on all bands until the end of the year to celebrate the 90th anniversary of this historic event.
QSL via CX2ABC, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.cw90a.radiogruposur.org

ET, ETHIOPIA
The Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club is commemorating their mentor,
Sid T. May, ET3SID, who passed away in late September. Activity started
on Oct 29 from the clubstation ET3AA and will end after they have made
10,000 QSOs. QSL via N2OO. See also: http://et3aa.com

EU, BELARUS
The special event stations EV200BP, EV200B and EV200S remember the
Bicentenary of the smashing of the Napoleonic army at the crossing
of the river Berezina.
QSL for EV200BP via bureau, direct via EW2CC, EV200B via EW2EO.

F, FRANCE
The special event station TM7VG is working in CW, SSB and digital modes
on 160m-2m until Nov 15 to mark the "7th Vendee Globe Boat World Race".
QSL via F6KUF. See also: http://www.vendeeglobe.org/en

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
Following ISWL stations will be activated during November:
GX4BJC/A QTH: Great Missenden, OP John,G8XTJ (WAB SP80, EU-005,
WLOTA 1841)
MX1SWL/A QTH: Hartford, OP Tom,G3RPV (WAB TL27, EU-005, WLOTA 1841)
QSLs via G6XOU. See also: http://www.iswl.org.uk

I, ITALY
The special event station IY1EY is active in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31
from Loano until Nov 11 to commemorate the experiments of Gugliemo
Marconi on his yacht "Elettra" between 1919 and 1936. QSL via IK1QBT.
See also: http://www.ariloano.it

LU, ARGENTINA, SA-008
"End of the World, Railway station" is a special event that will be
activated from Tierra del Fuego (SA-008, WAP ARG-23, WFF LUFF-034,
WLOTA 2448) on Nov 10. Several stations will be on the air and this is
a good opportunity to collect points for WAP-WACA and WAP-WADA awards.
Operators will be: Cecilia,LU3XUC, Cristian,LU5XUC, Jaime,LU4XPE,
Gerardo,LU3XUJ, Hector,LU3XUH, Omar,LU5XTS, Pablo,LU4XUP, Luli,LU4XUL,
Guillermo,LU6XSG, Guillermo,LU9XPR, Diego,LU5XWA, Mariana,LU5XTI,
Erica,LU4XUE, Miriam,LU3XUM, Cintia,LU3XYL, and Guillermo,LU7XX.
They will append /XP to their homecalls. As most of them hold novice
licenses they will work on 10m from 28.300-28.350 MHz and on 80m on
3.650 MHz. QSLs via homecalls.

W, USA
The Tuckerton Wireless Amateur Radio Club, the Old Barney Amateur
Radio Club and the South Jersey DX Association are celebrating the
100th anniversary of the "Tuckerton Wireless" (WSC). Members will use
W2WSC/100 from their home stations while W2WSC/WSC will be used from
the last operating site of the Marine Coastal Radio Station WSC in
West Creek, NJ. Furthermore W2WSC/40 will be activated from the
Giffordtown Museum on Nov 17 (1500-2100 UTC) to commemorate the
40th anniversary of the Tuckerton Historical Society. QSLs via W2WSC.

YB, INDONESIA, OC-021
The special event station YB26SEAG will be activated by members of the
YB Land DX Club (YBDXC) in all modes on all bands from Nov 11-17 during
the 26th South East Asia Games (SEAG) taking place in Jakarta from
Nov 12-22. QSL via YB1GJS.

OP wanted: Bill,N6MW, is looking for another operator to join a DXpedition
to KH8 from Mar 19-28, 2013. See also: http://n6mw.jimdo.com

New IOTA Checkpoint: Alejandro Valdez, XE1EE (iota.mexico@gmail), is the new
IOTA checkpoint for Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean Islands
(islands belonging to the USA and France excluded) starting on Nov 1.

Hurricane damage and trouble: Dennis,K7BV, was contacted by Eduardo,CO8LY,
stating that hurricane Sandy destroyed his house and everything he had.
His mother is very ill as well. Dennis is willing to serve as a
collection point for others wishing to send help.
Eduardo can be contacted also via his QSL manager EA7ADH.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 10/11 Worked All Europe (WAEDC) Contest, RTTY
Nov 10/11 JA International DX Contest
Nov 10/11 OK/OM DX Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-024, S7, Inner Islands: Hardy,DL8NU, will be QRV as S79NU mainly in CW
on the HF bands from Mahe Island (WLOTA 3286) from Nov 9-24.
QSL via DL8NU (bureau/direct).

AF-090, 5R, Madagascar's Coastal Islands East: Eric,F6ICX, is active again
as 5R8IC from Nosy Boraha (WLOTA 0491) between Nov 10 and Dec 9. He is
working holiday style in CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK63. QSL via F6ICX.
Photos of earlier 5R8IC DXpeditions can be found on:
http://f6kbk.free.fr/5r8ic/5r8ic.htm

AN-010, VP8/SH, South Shetland Islands: Oleg,RI1ANF/p, was working from the
Russian Prirode Refuge (WAP RUS-015) for several time recently. He is
planning another activity from there during the beginning of November.

Oleg,ZS1OIN (UA3HK), will be the new chief of the Russian base
Bellingshausen (WAP RUS-01) and plans to become active as RI1ANU.

Nick,RK1PWA, has returned home and started to confirm his direct QSL
requests for RI1ANF. QSL fuer RI1ANF via RK1PWA (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.waponline.it

AS-003, 4S, Sri Lanka Island: Peter,DC0KK, is travelling again to
Sri Lanka (WLOTA 0762, Loc MJ96xk) and plans to hit the airwaves as
4S7KKG in CW and digital modes between Nov 9 and Mar 9, 2013.
QSL via DC0KK (bureau/direct/LoTW).

AS-004, 5B/ZC4, Cyprus Island: Mike,5B/DL4ABO, and Martin,5B/DC8MH, are
planning a DXpedition to Cyprus from Nov 10-14 and want to work in
SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK on the HF bands. QSLs via homecalls.
See also: http://www.dc8mh.de

Correction to DXNL 1803: The QSL route for the contest station P3F
is 5B4AHJ and NOT via the operator M0DXR.

NA-066, W6, California State South (Orange/San Diego County) group:
Rich,W6VX, Don,N6IC, Frank,N6FH, Gary,NY6Y, Skip,KJ6Y and Jim,N6KZ,
will be QRV as homecalls/p from Santa Catalina Island (USi CA016S,
WLOTA 2912) in CW and SSB on 80m-10m from Nov 9-12. QSLs via homecalls.

NA-099, KP4, Puerto Rico: Members of the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League
(PRARL) plan to activate Isla Cabras (USi PR031, Loc FK78ef) as KP4ES
on Nov 11. Activities shall take place on the usual IOTA frequencies.
QSL via NP3O (d).

OC-009, T8, Palau Islands: Toshiharu,JA3JND, plans to show up as T88ON from
Koror Island from Nov 9-13. Listen for him CW, SSB and digital modes
on HF. QSL via JA3JND. See also: http://palau.rental-shack.com/english

OC-013, E5, Rarotonga Island: Rudi,ZL2KBR, plans an activity from Rarotonga
from Nov 12-19. He will work in SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 20m-10m signing
E51KBR in holiday style. QSL via ZL2KBR (bureau/direct).

OC-083, E5, Aitutaki group: A group of Swiss HAMs including Frank,HB9BXU,
will spend their holidays on Aitutaki from Nov 12-30. Listen for E51C,
E51ABS, E51BZD and E51CHX in CW, SSB and PSK31 from 1900-1200 UTC on:
CW: 3505, 7020, 10104, 14024, 18080, 21024, 24894, 28024 kHz
SSB: 3799, 7070, 14190, 18145, 21290, 24950, 28490 kHz
PSK31: 3580, 7035, 10139, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920, 28120 kHz
QSLs via HB9BXU.

OC-088, V8, Borneo: Members of the Mediterraneo DX Club are planning a
DXpedition to Brunei (WLOTA 1628, Loc OJ74) from Nov 11-23. 18 team
members want to activate up to five stations at the same time signing
V84SMD in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m. QSL via IK2VUC (bureau/direct).
An OQRS will be installed as well and the log will be uploaded to the
LoTW by the end of March 2013. See also: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd

OC-170, VK6, Western Australia State (South Coast) East Centre group:
Nigel,VK6NI, Steve,VK2SJK, Reinhard,DF4TD, and Wally,VK6YS, will be
QRV as VK6WDI from Woody Island from Nov 9-13. They will work with two
stations on 40m-10m. QSL via VK6YS (d). See: http://www.westozdx.net or
http://www.westozdx.net/IOTAS/OC170/OC170.html

OC-271, YB8, Babar Islands: Correction: The QSLs for YB8XM/6 (via YB9BU)
can be sent only direct unfortunately.

SA-006, PJ4, Bonaire Island: Marco,PE2MC, Peter,PJ4NX, and Bert,PE2KY,
will be QRV as PJ4X from Bonaire Island (WFF PAFF-024, WLOTA 1279)
from Nov 9-16. They will work holiday style in digital modes and some
SSB on the HF bands. QSL via PE2MC (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.pe2mc.nl/bonaire-here-we-come-pj4pe2mc

SA-014, PY0S, St Peter and St Paul Rocks: The Araucaria DX group plans a
DXpedition to St Peter and St Paul Rocks (DIB OC-03, WFF PYFF-064,
WLOTA 0003, Loc HJ50). Fred,PY2XB, Peter,PP5XX/PY5CC, George,AA7JV, and
Tomi,HA7RY, will hand out IOTA and DXCC points as PT0S from Nov 10-22.
They will focus on the lowbands with one station working only on 160m.
Another station will be active on 80m and 40m during the nights. During
daylight they will use two stations on the high bands.
QSL via HA7RY (bureau/direct). OQRS will be set up as well.
See also: http://pt0s.com

SA-087, LU, Santa Cruz Province North group: Update: The DXpedition of LT0X
to Penguin Island has been posponed to Nov 9-11.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

09Nov-17Nov 3A/ON5UR.. 1805 *
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
09Nov-09Mar 4S7KKG 1805 *
10Nov-14Nov 5B/DC8MH 1805 *
10Nov-14Nov 5B/DL4ABO 1805 *
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798
10Nov-09Dec 5R8IC 1805 *
-09Nov 5T5BV 1804
-15Dec 5X1NH 1801/1802
05Nov-22Nov 5Z4/SM1TDE 1804
-2014 5Z4EE 1772/1799/1803
2012 6D0LM 1774
Resident 7Q7DFC 1805 *
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Dec 8J1KS 1800
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-31Dec 8J1STGY 1800
01Nov-10Nov 8J1Y 1804
20Oct-25Nov 8J2ARDF 1802
-31Dec 8J3IPA 1802
-10Nov 8J4MANGA 1794
-11Nov 8J4SINWA 1794
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780

-30Nov 8N1YKR 1800
-30Nov 8N2100MD 1800
23Oct- 8P9NX.. 1802
29Oct-11Nov 8Q7EJ 1803
Unknown 8Q7HA 1796
Unknown 9G5ZS 1795
Unknown 9J2JA 1796
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
30Oct-26Dec 9M2MRS 1803
Resident 9V1KK 1803
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

Resident A22LL 1803
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
08Nov-15Nov A5A 1805 *
-10Mar BM0LF.. 1805 *
04Nov-09Nov C6AXY 1804
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
Resident CD6713 1805 *
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
-Dec CW90A 1805 *
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
29Oct-04Nov DL6BE/p 1803
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791

12Nov-30Nov E51ABS 1805 *
12Nov-30Nov E51BZD 1805 *
12Nov-30Nov E51C 1805 *
12Nov-30Nov E51CHX 1805 *
12Nov-19Nov E51KBR 1805 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
-22Nov EA8/DL5OK 1804
25Oct-08Nov EA8/LA6OP 1803
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
Unknown ET3AA 1805 *
-30Nov EV200BP.. 1805 *

-01Mar FH8NX 1747
02Oct-08Nov FO/F6BCW.. 1799/1800
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Nov GX4BJC/A.. 1805 *
17Oct-10Dec H44MS 1802
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Nov-15Dec HF70TWARDY 1804
-31Dec HG90ST 1804
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
18Sep-18Nov HK3JCL 1762/1797

01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
-11Nov IY1EY 1805 *
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
14Oct-07Nov J79WE 1800
-17Dec J79WTA 1804
-Nov JW2US 1791/1797
-Mar K6H 1803
09Nov-12Nov K6JY/p 1805 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
Long term KP2/NQ3X 1799/1803
11Nov KP4ES 1805 *
09Nov-11Nov LT0X 1804/1805 *
10Nov LU3XUC/XP.. 1805 *
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
09Nov-12Nov N6FH/p 1805 *
09Nov-12Nov N6IC/p 1805 *
09Nov-12Nov N6KZ/p 1805 *
09Nov-12Nov NY6Y/p 1805 *
Resident OD5RW 1799
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-15Nov ON44CLM 1802
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
-Nov OZ/KH6DXX 1804

20Oct-09Nov P29VCX 1802/1804
-31Dec P3EU 1786
06Nov-15Nov PJ2/DB5IJ.. 1804
09Nov-16Nov PJ4X 1805 *
10Nov-22Nov PT0S 1805 *
-15Jan S505SLG 1803
-15Jan S512IAPMC 1803
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
09Nov-24Nov S79NU 1805 *
-Feb/13 T6LG 1795

-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-15Nov TM7VG 1805 *
09Nov-13Nov T88ON 1805 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
11Nov-23Nov V84SMD 1805 *
05Nov-18Nov VI6ARG30 1804
09Nov-13Nov VK6WDI 1805 *
05Nov-19Nov VP2MGZ 1804
05Nov-19Nov VP2MYL 1804
Unknown VP8CMH/mm.. 1804
Unknown VP8DFR 1803
05Nov-19Nov VP9KF 1804
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800

Nov W2WSC/100.. 1805 *
09Nov-12Nov W6VX/p 1805 *
22Oct-31Oct WA4DAN/CY0 1800/1801
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
27Oct-25Nov XL3A 1803
Nov XV1LC.. 1804
11Nov-17Nov YB26SEAG 1805 *
03Nov-10Nov YJ0AFU 1804
Unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
01Nov-16Nov YS1/NO7B 1804
Unknown Z81A.. 1798
Unknown Z88Z 1800
Unknown ZD9KX 1795
-Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
01Nov-09Nov ZL7A 1804
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

2E0EDX/p via 2E0EDX (B)
3A/ON5UR via M0URX (B) OQRS
3A/ON8AK via M0URX (B) OQRS
4S7KKG via DC0KK (d), (L)
4S7KM (d)
5B/DC8MH via DC8MH (B)
5B/DL4ABO via DL4ABO (B)
5H2DK via OH2NNE (B)
5V7TH via ON4CIT (B), (L)
7Q7DFC via OE4VIE (L)
8P5A via NN1N (B), (L)
9A20HRS via 9A3JB (B)

5R8IC via F6ICX (B), (L)
8P9BF via DF5WA (B), (L) (May 14-28, 2012)
9H3PP via HA5PP
8Q7EJ via G3VDB (B), (L), eQSL
9J2BO via G3TEV (B)
9J2CA via G3SWH (d)
9M2MRS via PA0RRS (B)
A5A via JH1AJT (B)
BM0LF via BM2JCC
BV2013LF via BM2JCC
C6AQQ via N3IQ (B), (L), eQSL
C6AZZ via K4IIO (d)
CT9/DJ8VC via DJ8VC (B)
CX2DK via EA5GL or CX bureau
CW90A via CX2ABC (d)
D2ZR via AC7DX (d)
DV7HTK via JA1HTK
EA9EU via EA5KB (B)
ED9Z via EA9LZ (d)
EO3Q via UR3QCW (B)
E51ABS via HB9BXU (B)
E51BZD via HB9BXU (B)
E51C via HB9BXU (B)
E51CHX via HB9BXU (B)
E51KBR via ZL2KBR (B)
ET3AA via N2OO (B) 10.000 QSOs
EV200B via EW2EO (B)
EV200BP (B), EW2CC (d)
EX8BS via RW6HS (d)
F5JNE/p via F5JNE (B)
F8DYD/p via F8DYD (B)
GX4BJC/A via G6XOU
H44A via H44RK (*)
H44RK via NR6M QRZ.com (*)
H40A via H44RK (*)
HS0ZJF/9 via ON4AFU (B)
II5LDV via IQ5LV (B)
IY1EY via IK1QBT (B)
J79AL via K8AL
J79WE via DL8WEM (B)
K4FLV/p via K4FLV (d)
K6JY/p via K6JY (B)
KP4ES via NP3O (d)
LU3XUC/XP via LU3XUC
LU3XUH/XP via LU3XUH
LU3XUJ/XP via LU3XUJ
LU3XUM/XP via LU3XUM
LU3XYL/XP via LU3XYL
LU4XPE/XP via LU4XPE
LU4XUE/XP via LU4XUE

LU4XUL/XP via LU4XUL
LU4XUP/XP via LU4XUP
LU5XTI/XP via LU5XTI
LU5XTS/XP via LU5XTS
LU5XUC/XP via LU5XUC
LU5XWA/XP via LU5XWA
LU6XSG/XP via LU6XSG
LU7XX/XP via LU7XX
LU9XPR/XP via LU9XPR
MX1SWL/A via G6XOU
N6FH/p via N6FH (B)
N6IC/p via N6IC (B)
N6KZ/p via N6KZ (B)
NY6Y/p via NY6Y (B)
OE5D via OE2UKL (B)
OK5T via OK1VSL (B)
P29FR via I2RFJ (B)
P29VPB via G3KHZ (B)
P3F via 5B4AHJ (B), OQRS, (*)
PJ4X via PE2MC (B)
PJ2/DL5RDP via DL5RDP (B)
PT0S via HA7RY (B)
R400NO via RA3TYL
S79NU via DL8NU (B)
SV5/SM8C via SM0CMH (L)
SV5/SV1LK via SV1LK (B), (L)
SX100SKG via SZ2T (d)
T88ON via JA3JND (B)
TM7VG via F6KUF (B)
TO2A via KU9C
TO9R via S53R (d)
TX5EG via F6BCW
V84SMD via IK2VUC (B)
VK6WDI via VK6YS (d)
VP2MKC via GM4FDM (B)
VV1LC via VK6LC (d)
W2WSC/100 via W2WSC
W2WSC/40 via W2WSC
W2WSC/WSC via W2WSC
W6VX/p via W6VX (B)
WA5PS/KH0 via JK1FNL (B)
XX9TYT via IZ8CCW (B)
YB26SEAG via YB1GJS (B)
YB8XM/6 via YB9BU (d)
YJ0AFU via NA5U (L)
Z38/HA2SX via HA2SX
ZF2LC via W2SM (B), (L)
ZL7A via JF1OCQ (B), (L)
ZS7/DL1LLL via DL5EBE (B), (L)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

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2203. eHam.net News for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-06 23:23:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba539e80c06ce904cddbe4af@google.com>
Source record: 1670
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Ham Radio Operators to Hold Fundraiser:

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 04:25 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29286

The Wood River Amateur Radio Club will hold its third annual fundraiser this weekend to support the Baldy/Galena repeater system. The event is Saturday, Nov. 10 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Sweetwater Community Center in Hailey. The event is a potluck and BYOB. The main fundraising event will be a raffle, the prizes for which include: a new Yaesu FT60 dual band handheld radio, $100 cash prize from Power Engineers, backcountry gear from the Elephant's Perch and Backwoods Mountain Sports, six $25 gift cards to Red Robin, storage from Storage Plus, a gift from Galena Lodge, BCRD cross-country trail pass, a Sun Valley Trekking yurt trip($350 value), Redfish Lake boat rental, dual band custom roll up back country antennas, Boulder Mountain Tour race entry, tech and general study manuals, volt meter and more.

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Walter Raymond McGugan Jr. W3FG (SK):

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 04:24 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29285

Walter Raymond McGugan Jr. Walter Raymond McGugan Jr. of Crownsville, Md., passed away Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2012, at Anne Arundel Medical Center in Annapolis, Md. He was 61. Walt was born Dec. 16, 1950, in Philadelphia, to the late Walter Raymond McGugan Sr. and Salome (Greatrex) McGugan. Walt was an active amateur radio operator and member of the Potomac Valley Radio Club, with his call sign of W3FG. He enjoyed planning and taking road trips, and researching current events on the computer. Walt is survived by his wife of 42 years, Marge McGugan of Crownsville, Md.; two children, Dennis McGugan and his wife, Jennifer, of Rutland, Mass., and Kathy McGugan of Fairfax, Va.; his grandson, Patrick; and sister, Salome Hamby and her husband, Ronald of Frisco, Texas. He also is survived by his extended family and friends.

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Kids Send Out SOS at Morse Code Workshop:

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 04:24 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29284

LOCAL children sent out an SOS and many other recognised Morse code signals at a workshop in the Museum at the Mill recently. The workshop taught the children the internationally recognised code in a new fun and innovative method invented by storyteller Kathleen O'Sullivan. She along with fellow storyteller Billy Tear tour the length and breadth of Ireland using traditional, modern and original stories, to demonstrate how to engage and stimulate children. To mark the recent Titanic commemorations they decided to look into techniques used on board the fated liner. Kathleen takes up the story: "We were looking at storytelling ideas for the Titanic and of course they used Morse code for communication and to send out their distress signals. "I looked at learning and found that there were very complicated abstract and boring ways of learning it and I thought I would never get it. So I developed a series of drawing and illustrations centred around the alphabet. "Basically if you know your ABCs you can learn our methods of teaching Morse code. It really is very simple. She went on: "People have been surprising themselves about how quickly they can pick it up. "We started by telling the children that if they could pick up five signals in an hour they would be doing good, but they can pick them up in five minutes. "Once they learn one, they want to learn another and another until they are very good at it after an hour."

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SRI Engineer Munsch an Expert On Radio Noise from Power Lines:

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 04:23 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29283

Growing up as an only child in Refugio, George Munsch filled his days relentlessly scouring science books and magazines. After earning a degree in physics and taking a position with Southwest Research Institute, Munsch's childhood fascination grew into a career. As an employee with SRI, he traveled the world as an electrical engineering consultant who mainly served the U.S. Navy by helping the military maintain optimal communication. Known as the go-to guy, Munsch often was called in as a last resort when the cause of power line interference could not be established, said his son, Randy Munsch. "He enjoyed problem solving. He didn't always have the answers, but he knew the techniques for finding the answers," recalled long-time colleague, Roger Chiodo. "He had a lot of pride in what he did, but his demeanor was always humble." Munsch died Wednesday of natural causes. He was 77. In 1993, Munsch co-authored a handbook for the Navy, which offered guidance on how to locate power line noise sources at radio receiving sites around the world to ensure receivers functioned properly. "Power-Line Noise Mitigation Handbook for Naval and other Receiving Sites," is the Navy's main document on solving noise interference and establishing lines of clear communication, Chiodo said. Munsch achieved the position of principal scientist at SRI, before retiring after 31-years of service, Chiodo said. For more than five decades, Munsch enjoyed connecting with folks around the world as a ham radio operator. After retirement, he continued his hobby -- establishing countless friendships with fellow enthusiasts. "He was a very outgoing and friendly person -- really interested in people and learning from them -- so that was a natural hobby for him," Chiodo said. "It was about both the friendships and the

quest for knowledge."

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Professor Incorporates Wireless Technology into Classroom:

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http://www.eham.net/articles/29278

Professor Incorporates Wireless Technology into Classroom:

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Solar Activity from 2012 to 2013: Sunspots Lingering Under Cycle Forecasts:

Posted: 04 Nov 2012 04:41 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29277

About a year ago we took a look at the NASA forecast for the Sunspot Cycle 24 (meaning the 24th recorded cycle since the year 1755 - it is as random as that) which started with the sunspot minimum of (somewhere around) the year 2008. In about a year from now the solar maximum of the current cycle is forecast to reach its peak. NASA predicts this maximum will lie at a sunspot number of 73 - NOAA (shown below) thinks the Sun will be just a little bit more active - and predicts a sunspot maximum of 80.

2204. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 03:13:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e813ef6a9c704cddf1943@google.com>
Source record: 1671
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham Radio Club class offered - Worthington Daily Globe

Posted: 05 Nov 2012 07:19 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE3Gs5LjKLjguqkF6SxgnenJ0v5_w&url=http://www.dglobe.com/event/article/id/60877/

Ham Radio Club class offered
Worthington Daily Globe
Ham Radio Club class offered. WORTHINGTON — The Worthington Area Ham Radio Club will offer a free Technician Class Ham radio course at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings, starting this week, at the Civil Air Patrol meeting room at the Worthington ...

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Amateur radio club looking for 'hams' - Canada.com

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 01:59 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFA1fDpV1bV5C63mtsKvyT_LRKkHg&url=http://www.canada.com/Amateur%2Bradio%2Bclub%2Blooking%2Bhams/7503986/story.html

Amateur radio club looking for hams
Canada.com
The Comox Valley Amateur Radio Club (CVARC) is looking for new members to learn a little bit about radio operations, share a common interest and maybe even help out in an emergency. The club has existed in the Valley for years, but until recently it ...

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Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club announcement - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 12:28 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGMhPjKqAs0g3aq9ZulV2WZvwwTew&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/ethiopian_amateur_radio_club_announcement.htm

Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club announcement
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
In March 2012, Sid was instrumental in having the ET3AA - Ethiopian Amateur Radio Club set-up as a formal organization. With the students receiving US Ham Radio Call-Signs and four students becoming ARRL VEs, this allowed the ET3AA call sign to be ...

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Election 2012: Two Disaster Performances - Emergency Management (blog)

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 05:54 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFiz3kkriPydPgFDzmogmdq5Egvkg&url=http://www.emergencymgmt.com/emergency-blogs/disaster-zone/election-2012-two-disaster-performances-110612.html

Election 2012: Two Disaster Performances
Emergency Management (blog)
"What is old is new again - just like amateur (ham) radio. Learn more at http://www.nyc-arecs.org". Hurricane Sandy and Climate Adaptation. "See Revkins blog in NYT today: http://dotearth.blogs.nytimes.com/2012/10/31/on-sandy-and-humanitys ...

and more

2205. The ARRL Contest Update for November 7, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 05:15:54 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121107044100.38F9423F56@bmail.arrl.org>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you are into the digital modes, try for some RTTY DX in the final
Worked All Europe weekend. The special "QTC" rule gives the WAE a
special flavor all its own. Sweepstakes resumes on the following
weekend by filling up the phone bands. Make sure you have the latest
logging software to get full credit for all four of the new VE3
sections!

BULLETINS

This is a generic bulletin - don't forget to send in your logs! The
deadlines for all of the major contests have been made much shorter and
with all the big events in November, it is too easy to lose track of
things.

BUSTED QSOS

No particularly notable errors in the previous issue.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

November 10-11
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- Worked All Europe DX Contest--RTTY
- 10-10 Fall Digital QSO Party
- Japan International DX Contest--Phone
- OK-OM DX Contest--CW
- Kentucky QSO Party
- CQ WE (Western Electric)
- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW

November 17-18

- ARRL November Sweepstakes--Phone
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW (Nov 14)
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Nov 15)
- LZ DX Contest
- Feld-Hell Turkey Shoot Sprint
- All Austria 160 Meter Contest--CW
- Collegiate ARC Championship--Phone
- RSGB Second 1.8MHz Contest--CW
- Homebrew and Oldtime Contest--CW
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Nov 19)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

How many contests are there throughout the year? Well, there are rather a lot! In 2012, the Contest Corral database tracks 440 different contests. The online WA7BNM and SM3CER contest calendars have even more, especially sprint and regional contests in Europe. Of the 440 tracked in Contest Corral, 326 (74%) are HF-only and 35 (8%) only use the VHF+ bands. 73% feature CW - the most popular contest mode by nearly 2-to-1 over Phone (46%) and Digital (37%). Even though there are 22 more contests this year, the proportion of CW:Phone:Digital remains almost exactly the same.

During "our" domestic CW Sweepstakes, you may have heard other stations around the world engaging in their own events, such as the Worked All Germany and the Ukrainian DX Contest. There are two new contests sponsored by the Amateur Radio Society of India <http://www.arsi.info/contests/international> that you should also know about: the Himalayan Contest which took place over the Sweepstakes weekend and the VU International DX Contest coming up on Dec 3rd and 4th. While communications between North America and India is over a long polar path, even modest stations can bag a VU QSO by watching for gray line (see "Working the Gray Line <http://www.qsl.net/w2vtm/grayline.html>" by NA5N) and long-path propagation (Thanks, Prasad VU2PTT)

Due to the devastation and power outages throughout the North East resulting from Superstorm Sandy, the NYQP Organizing committee has decided to extend to deadline for log submissions for the New York QSO Party an additional 10 days. Therefore the log submission date will be November 15th at 0000Z. (Thanks, NYQP Committee members Brent KC2QLJ and Paul K2DB)

The California QSO Party <http://www.cqp.org/> (CQP) is also extending their deadline for log submission in response to the problems created by Hurricane Sandy. The new deadline is November 10. Electronic logs are strongly encouraged. Paper logs may be mailed to K6SRZ's QRZ.com <http://qrz.com/> address. (Thanks, 2012 CQP Chair, Alan K6SRZ)

>From a recent ARRL Propagation Bulletin <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation> by Tad K7RA we learn, "NASA has a revised forecast <http://solarscience.msfc.nasa.gov/predict.shtml> for the peak of Cycle 24, and it looks very interesting. Instead of a peak in Spring 2013 with a smoothed international sunspot number of 60, the peak is now predicted for Fall 2013, with the smoothed sunspot number prediction revised to 76, about 27% higher. Perhaps Cycle 24 will have a double peak, the first being in Fall 2011 and the second in Fall 2013." The unusual behavior of this cycle appears to be caused by internal processes in Ol' Sol's north and south hemispheres getting progressively more out of phase.

On the 12th anniversary of crews continuously living and working aboard the International Space Station, NASA announced the "Spot the Station <http://spotthestation.nasa.gov/>" email service to help people see the orbiting laboratory when it passes overhead. The free service will send an email or text message to those who sign up for the service a few hours before they will be able to see the space station. When the space station is visible -- typically at dawn and dusk -- it is the brightest object in the night sky, other than the Moon. On a clear night, the station is visible as a fast moving point of light, similar in size and brightness to the planet Venus. Even though the ISS trajectory passes over more than 90 percent of Earth's population, it is striking to learn how few people have noticed it or if they did see it, knew what it was. (Thanks, AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-309)

Web Site of the Week - Here is a great present for young readers with an interest in maps and why they look the way they do. Seeing Through Maps - Many Ways to See the World by Wood, Kaiser, and Abramms is published by ODT <http://www.odt.org> which also offers many other interesting map-related products for hams.

WORD TO THE WISE

Retired Emergency Room physician, Alan K6SRZ writes, "Here's my contest advice: take a baby aspirin before putting your butt in the chair for an extended period." An enteric-coated low-dose aspirin also helps. Why? "Deep venous thrombosis [a blood clot - Ed] can definitely cut into your score."

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Wave (Beverage) antennas were used at the Radio Corporation of America radio relay station 1XAO in Belfast, Maine in the early 1920s. The antenna length designed to receive 1600 meter signals from England was

a few feet short of 10 miles in length. Many of the state-of-the-art station's engineers were hams and in March 14, 1925 they made history by broadcasting a musical program from England with a double relay on each end. Bruce, K1FZ has placed one of the recordings of the transmission <http://www.qsl.net/k1fz/1925recording> online for all of us to experience long-wave AM radio reception "across the pond" - amazing even with the poor audio quality, QSB, and occasional QRN of those early days of wireless!

Be a sight and sound yourselves - be sure to send in your soapbox comments, contest stories, and especially photos to the contest sponsors! With so much contest activity, let the contest managers hear from you! You can read some of the remarks by other contesters in the Soapbox collections <http://www.eskimo.com/~mwdink/3830/> by Dink N7WA.

Dennis N6KI writes, "I have been a regular for ARRL Sweepstakes CW and SSB from W6YI <http://www.n6win.com/index_files/W6YICQWWSSB2012.htm> the past 6 or 7 years and we have won our Multi-Single, High Power category the past 5 or 6 of those years. (It) looks like we are on track for 2012 as we are in first place so far for the Sweepstakes CW this past weekend." The website has quite a few excellent pictures of this superb station!

Why is D4C so loud? Well, take a look at this online YouTube video <http://youtu.be/i4L_BTwfdsA> of the site. What a location! (Thanks, Randy K5ZD)

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Yes, I know Field Day is not really a contest - although anything can be made into one if you are the competitive sort - but Dan N1ND's annual pun-packed-parcel <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles> summarizing the Field Day results is now online. How did your club do this year?

24 hours after the end of the contest, the CQ WW committee had received well over 4000 log submissions. In 48 hours, the total exceeded 5100 logs. And as of yesterday, they had received 7712 logs containing 5.2 million QSOs - that's just awesome! I'd say that the new shorter log submission deadline has not proven to be a barrier to participation or sending in a log. (Thanks, CQ WW Director, Randy K5ZD and CQ WW Committee member Ken K1EA)

WRTC-2014 Event Scores <http://www.wrtc2014.org/qualifying/qualification-standings/> based upon the official published results from the Russian DX Contest <http://www.rdxc.org/> are now posted online. Official results for 33 of the 55 qualifying events are now included and almost 25,000 different operators have submitted scores in those events. 13 qualifying events have taken place for which official results are not yet available. (Thanks, WRTC-2014 Team Selection Director, Dan K1TO)

OPERATING TIP

Numerous comments following the first Worked All Provinces of China contest and then the CQ WW SSB contest have me thinking that we need to develop a set of phonetics suitable for Chinese-speaking hams who may not be familiar with English phonetics yet. I asked David BA4RF if there was a preferred set of English phonetics. He suggests that we use simple words, such as "Boy", "Dog", or "Fox". The word "Sugar" is easier to understand than "Sierra" which is an unfamiliar term to a Chinese speaker.

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Here's a good description by Roger K8RI of the "shadow method" for finding true north using a line from the tower to its shadow. "With your watch synchronized to WWV...mark the end of the shadow right on the count for solar noon (and) you should be within seconds for actual accuracy. Even doing it with a good inexpensive watch, you can be well under one degree or even under a minute of angle." This method also indicates true south in the southern hemisphere. The line from the tower to the marked point can be extended as far as necessary to allow good alignment of an antenna with the line. Perhaps a "true north tree" or building can be identified in the far distance to be used any time.

The use of a high-pass or broadcast band notch filter is common to allow antenna analyzers with wideband detectors to operate in the presence of strong broadcast signals. These filters do affect the impedance reading, however. With vector network analyzers <http://www.dxzone.com/catalog/Technical_Reference/Vector_Network_Analyzer/> (VNA) such as the AIM4170 <http://www.arraysolutions.com/Products/AIM4170.htm> becoming more common, you can take advantage of the VNA's ability to calibrate through the filter and feed line, effectively subtracting out the effects of the filter. (Thanks, Guy K2AV)

Can you use regular signal relays at RF? Larry W0QE recently ran some fairly extensive tests <http://www.w0qe.com/Technical_Topics/small_signal_relays_at_rf.html> on common signal relays at RF frequencies. This is interesting as these relays are as fast as vacuum relays and can hot-switch medium power levels.

Modern radios almost define "mixed signal" - a combination of analog and digital technologies. With signals so small and so large and so sensitive to linearity, laying out the signal return traces, logic-level grounds, ground planes, and power circuits is very important to top-notch performance. EDN magazine has published a pair of articles (Part 1 <http://www.edn.com/design/analog/4394761/Successful-PCB-grounding-with-mixed-signal-chips---Part-1--Principles-of-current-flow> and Part 2 <http://www.edn.com/design/analog/4395817/Successful-PCB-grounding-with-mixed-signal-chips---Part-2--Design-to-minimize-signal-path-crosstalk?cid=Newsletter+-+EDN+on+Analog>) to help the designer accomplish just that.

Roger K8RI also contributed a method of attaching guy ropes to a vertical antenna or mast. "I use Plexiglass or Lexan and two hole saws to make a ring that just fits over the section where I want to mount the guys. I cut the OD first, then use the center hole as a guide for the saw to cut the ID. I mark off the location for the guys at 120 degrees and drill holes just large enough to insert the guys. Either ½" Lexan or Plexiglass (two 1/4" sheets epoxied together will work) for taller and larger verticals or just 1/4" thick pieces for 40m 1/4-wave verticals. 1/4" should work with 3/16" line for 66' verticals."

QRM is by no means limited to the amateur bands - it is a growing problem for commercial satellite services, too. For a look at how those folks view the problem, read "Tackling Satellite Interference <http://www.microwavejournal.com/articles/18088-tackling-satellite-interference>" in the August 2012 issue of Microwave Journal. Getting a look at a familiar problem from an unfamiliar perspective - such as 0.75-degree beamwidth antennas - is often refreshing and productive!

Technical Web Site of the Week - Engineers have their "Hints and Kinks" columns, too. Contest Update readers will recall my having mentioned items from Electronic Design <http://electronicdesign.com> magazine's "Design Ideas" column - tasty treats from readers around the world, solving various problems, often in unusual ways that make me think, "I never thought of doing it that way!" Well, that column - possibly inspired by QST - is celebrating six decades of ideas - you can sample some of the savvy from yesteryear online at 60 Years of Ideas for Design <http://electronicdesign.com/article/articles/60-years-ifds-74497?NL=ED-04&Issue=ED-04_20121008_ED-04_911&YM_RID=hwardsil@gmail.com&YM_MID=1344542&sfvc4enews=42>. While you're there, the articles "The Rise And Fall Of Heathkit--And Rise Of SparkFun <http://electronicdesign.com/article/articles/rise-fall-heathkitand-rise-sparkfun-74498>" and "Benford's Law <http://www.edn.com/electronics-blogs/anablog/4399245/Benford-s-Law?cid=EDNToday>" make good reading, too.

==> CONVERSATION

Xtreme-ly Fun Contesting

Brian N9ADG and friends Dick K7BTW and Adam K7EDX decided to give the CQ WW contest's Xtreme category <http://www.cqww.com/rules_xtreme.htm>a try this year. While they usually did a multi-op effort, none could be on full-time and all needed to be near home. The Xtreme category gave Brian an opportunity to create a "distributed multi-op" that turned out to be a lot of fun. Here is a summary of his story - look for the full writeup in a future National Contest Journal <http://ncjweb.com/> article.

73, Ward N0AX

"While we (N9ADG, Dick K7BTW, and Adam K7EDX) normally would have gotten together to do a multi effort, none of us were able to commit to

the entire contest period, and we all needed to be near our homes. How could we all work together on a multi? The Xtreme category! How about if we do an Xtreme 'distributed multi multi'? An email to the CQ WW Contest Committee resulted in a 'go for it' from Doug K1DG.

"The plan was to have each of us use our own home stations as one of the stations in the multi-multi, run N1MM, and connect together securely over the internet. Each of us could connect and get on, see where the other folks were, and choose a different band to operate as our weekend schedule allowed. We could send coordination messages to each other through N1MM.

Brian used Amazon's web services - a.k.a. "the cloud" - to host a Linux server and a Windows 2008 PC with a virtual private network (VPN) and developed an N1MM configuration that allowed all three stations to communicate as if they were all in the same room connected by a LAN. The hosting charge - hold on to your wallets - was a mighty 11.5 cents per hour! The final configuration consisted of four N1MM machines (one at each of three stations, one in the cloud), and one Linux VPN server.

"During the contest, it was easy to see where each station was by using N1MM's info window; the operator, frequency, and run rate for each station are listed, and there's a space for typing a message to one or all of the other operators. We all got very used to hitting the Control-E key to send quick messages to each other during the contest to coordinate band changes or status. [Trash talk and pithy remarks between stations is one of the true pleasures of multi-op contesting - Ed.] If one of the stations dropped off the network, we were able to quickly re-synchronize the 'dropped' computer's log with the others, and continued on, the same as if we had a computer dropoff on a LAN.

"In the days leading up to the contest, we briefly discussed how we would operate, but didn't formalize a plan. Our stations are equipped differently -- only one station had 160, two had 80, but all had very reasonable 40-10 capabilities. The key for us was to adapt to the conditions that presented themselves. In the Pacific Northwest, that can mean being able to work South America and Asia simultaneously in the afternoons, working as many EU stations as possible if the 20m or higher is open, and looking for long path openings in the mornings to EU and Asia.

"As we entered the last few hours of the contest all three of us were able to be on simultaneously, and we had terrific runs on 10 and 15 meters. Keeping the motivation level high, we speculated we could reach 2.6M points, then passed it. 3.0M was the new goal. Each of us closely watched our scoring window wanting to make THE contact that would put us past this mark. K7BTW made the QSO that pushed us past this arbitrary mark about an hour before the contest's end.

"What did we learn from our experience? From on operating perspective, all of the technology "just worked" and faded into the background as we concentrated on the contest. We all commented on that we operated MORE

than we thought we would during the weekend; since we could see and feed off each other's progress, that spurred us to sit down and operate for small intervals throughout the weekend contest period. Having the chat capability allowed 'situational awareness' to be communicated well ("Just was on 20m, it was a zoo. You should try it").

"This was a good way to get three stations separated by tens of miles to work together effectively, and enable three friends that enjoy operating together to do so despite their other commitments. It would be fun to have more people as part of the effort the next time!"

==> CONTESTS

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An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL November Sweepstakes--Phone, from Nov 17, 2100Z to Nov 19, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: Serial, category, call, check, ARRL/RAC sec. Logs due: Dec 4. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

Worked All Europe DX Contest--Digital, from Nov 10, 0000Z to Nov 11, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and serial (see web for QTC rules). Logs due: 2 weeks. Rules <http://www.waedc.de/>

10-10 Fall Digital QSO Party--Digital, from Nov 10, 0001Z to Nov 11, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Call, name, 10-10 number, S/P/C. Logs due: Nov 26. Rules <http://www.ten-ten.org/>

Japan International DX Contest--Phone, from Nov 10, 0700Z to Nov 11, 1300Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and JA prefecture or CQ Zone. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://jidx.org/>

OK-OM DX Contest--CW, from Nov 10, 1200Z to Nov 11, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial or OK/OM district. Logs due: Dec 1. Rules <http://okomdx.crk.cz/>

Kentucky QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 10, 1400Z to Nov 11, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies (MHz): CW--1.815, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050, 50.090; SSB--1.855, 3.820, 7.240, 14.280, 21.390, 28.390, 50.190. Exchange: RST and KY county or S/P/C. Logs due: Dec 31. Rules <http://www.wkdxa.com/>

CQ WE (Western Electric)--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 10, 1900Z to Nov 12, 0500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440. Exchange: Call, name, Bell QTH, yrs of service. Logs due: Dec 1. Rules <http://cqwe.cboh.org/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Nov 11, 0000Z to Nov 11, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly beginning on the second Saturday local

time. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or "none". Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Nov 14, 1300Z, multiple operating periods, see website, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies (MHz): 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Nov 15, 0130Z to Nov 15, 0330Z. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

LZ DX Contest--Phone,CW, from Nov 17, 1200Z to Nov 18, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and ITU Zone or LZ district. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://lzdx.bfra.org/>

Feld-Hell Turkey Shoot Sprint--Digital, from Nov 17, 1600Z to Nov 17, 1800Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

All Austria 160 Meter Contest--CW, from Nov 17, 1600Z to Nov 18, 0700Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, serial, OE district. Logs due: Dec 31. Rules <http://www.oevsv.at/>

Collegiate ARC Championship--Phone, from Nov 17, 2100Z to Nov 19, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: See ARRL Sweepstakes. Logs due: Dec 4. Rules <http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/rules/>

RSGB Second 1.8MHz Contest--CW, from Nov 17, 2100Z to Nov 18, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, serial, UK district. Logs due: Dec 3. Rules <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>

Homebrew and Oldtime Contest--CW, from Nov 18, 1300Z to Nov 18, 1700Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RST, serial, and category. Logs due: Dec 18. Rules <http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/hotr.html>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Nov 19, 0200Z to Nov 19, 0400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Monthly on 3rd Sunday night (local). Exchange: RST, S/P/C, Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

VHF+ CONTESTS

Kentucky QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 10, 1400Z to Nov 11, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50, Frequencies (MHz): CW--1.815, 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050, 50.090; SSB--1.855, 3.820, 7.240, 14.280, 21.390, 28.390, 50.190. Exchange: RST and KY county or S/P/C. Logs due: Dec 31. Rules <http://www.wkdxa.com/>

CQ WE (Western Electric)--Phone,CW,Digital, from Nov 10, 1900Z to Nov 12, 0500Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50-440. Exchange: Call, name, Bell QTH, yrs of service. Logs due: Dec 1. Rules <http://cqwe.cboh.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

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- November 8 - ARS Spartan Sprint <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>
- November 10 - California QSO Party <http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html>
- November 11 - UBA ON Contest, 2m
<http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules/on-contest>
- November 12 - FISTS Fall Sprint <http://www.fists.org/sprints.html>
- November 12 - Oceania DX Contest, Phone
<http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/rules.pdf>
- November 12 - Oceania DX Contest, CW
<http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/rules.pdf>
- November 15 - Pennsylvania QSO Party
<http://www.nittany-arc.net/pqppdf/paqsorules12.pdf>
- November 15 - Makrothen RTTY Contest
<http://home.arcor.de/waldemar.kebsch/The_Makrothen_Contest/TMC_Rules.html>
- November 15 - MCG Autumn Sprint <http://rw3rq.tamb.ru/sprint_eng.htm>
- November 15 - PODXS 070 Club 160m Great Pumpkin Sprint
<http://www.podxs070.com/160-meter-great-pumpkin-sprint>
- November 19 - ARRL School Club Roundup
<http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup>
- November 19 - DARC 10-Meter Digital Contest
<http://www.darc.de/referate/ukw-funksport/bild-und-schrift-wettbewerbe/corona-maerz/teiln
ahmebedingungen/>
- November 20 - Iowa QSO Party
<https://sites.google.com/site/ottumwaamateurradioclub/iaqsoparty>
- November 20 - Stew Perry Topband Challenge, Fall Warmup
<http://www.kkn.net/stew/>
- November 20 - Himalayan Contest
<http://arsi.info/contests/himalayan/rules>
- November 20 - ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, CW
<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>
- November 20 - NA Collegiate ARC Championship, CW
<http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/rules/>

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2206. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 07:05:00 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1352271900@panix.com>
Source record: 1673
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

2207. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1352272200@panix.com>
Source record: 1674
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

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recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
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article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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2208. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 10:32:10 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <LMqms.319191$Bz2.249971@fx11.am4>
Source record: 1675
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On 06/11/2012 11:44, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed wrote:

> 2W1RSS working UA0BA in Siberia, Asiatic Russia

Must have been a slow news day..

But I will say that this is a perfect example of all the three tier scheme has done to amateur radio in this country. A Nuham surrounded by retro equipment that he salivated over back in his CB days when he couldn't get a licence, hooked up to an Antron 99 of course. The text book usage of NATO phonetics (sic) and CB speak, "much qsb" not forgetting of course a desk awash with morse keys as if this somehow gives him credibility. You couldn't make it up.

2209. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 6 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 11:04:03 UTC
From: "Jim GM4DHJ ..." <jim.gm4dhj@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <Eerms.298666$9H4.192114@fx17.am4>
Source record: 1676
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:LMqms.319191$Bz2.249971@fx11.am4...
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> NATO phonetics (sic) and CB speak, "much qsb" not forgetting of course a
> desk awash with morse keys as if this somehow gives him credibility. You
> couldn't make it up.
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wish I had an Amtron 99 ......

2210. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 7 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 11:14:45 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f2355451aa43304cde5d3b4@google.com>
Source record: 1677
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Upcoming ARISS Ham Radio contact with 1 Circolo Didattico G.Marconi,
Casamassima, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AoljC1MAsPQ/ariss_event_0911.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned with participants at 1 Circolo Didattico G.Marconi,
Casamassima, Italy on 09 November.

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Future use of 648 kHz medium wave

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Bwt9_JSnzY8/future_use_of_648_khz_medium_wave.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has varied the Wireless Telegraphy Act issued to Babcock
Communications Ltd, which covers a number of different analogue radio
frequencies, to remove Babcock’s authorisation to use the 648 kHz frequency
previously used to broadcast the BBC World Service

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Ideas sought on meeting increasing DXpedition costs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0iZbTduGlqA/ideas_sought_on_meeting_increasing_dxpedition_costs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The DX Magazine, whose current issue features an article, 'Dealing with the
skyrocketing costs of DXpeditions,' is asking DXer's for their ideas on how
to increase the level of funding for future major DXpeditions

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IRTS also opposes draft Power Line Transmission standard

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/c4JeNpDmYMc/irts_also_opposes_draft_power_line_transmission_standard.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the news last week that the German National Society, DARC, now
oppose a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard, the RSGB
have heard that the Irish Radio Transmitters Society, like the RSGB, also

opposes the Standard

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Chelmsford Talk - Valve Evening

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LcW3dgEn0XQ/chelmsford_talk_valve_evening.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Louis Poli N3OL will present a talk titled 'Classic Valves, Vintage
Equipment, and an Amateur Experimenter’s Valve Station' in Chelmsford,
Essex at 7:30pm Friday, November 9

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OneBeep - data over radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9EkzQChyD8M/onebeep_data_over_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

INDOlink reports that 22-year-old, Vinny Lohan has developed software
called OneBeep that uses wireless technology to help educate children in
developing countries

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EVE Alpha - Raspberry Pi Wireless Development Hardware

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KabnPeVvd8c/eve_alpha_raspberry_pi_wireless_development_hardware.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hackers from NorthHACKton in Northampton are using Kickstarter to raise
donations for a Wireless development hardware project for the Raspberry Pi

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St Peter and St Paul Rocks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oMUEZZfUtnU/st_peter_and_st_paul_rocks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Most of the PT0S team is now in Natal. Fred, PY2XB, is going to join us on
November 3rd. All our gear has made it and is being stored at the local
radio club

2211. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 7 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 17:52:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5186be6bd909504cdeb5f87@google.com>
Source record: 1678
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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II9P audio clips

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 04:41 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367501-II9P-audio-clips&goto=newpost

Hi all ,

II9P Arcibessi contest team is interested if anyone has any possible audio recording in which is recorded II9P station..

.We would like you to edit all the audio clips on our website http://ii9p.com Send us an e-mail s52ru@ii9p.com

Thanks

73,s Romeo S52RU - one of II9P gang

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3W2J Vietnam

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 10:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367432-3W2J-Vietnam&goto=newpost

UU5WW , UU0JR , UT5JCW will be active from Vung Tau , Vietnam 22-28 November November 2012 as 3W2J

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/3w2j_vietnam/

73 Al 4L5A

2212. eHam.net News for Wednesday 7 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-07 23:40:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5039e88aa84c04cdefd5ea@google.com>
Source record: 1679
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Club Looking for 'Hams':

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 04:06 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29291

The Comox Valley Amateur Radio Club (CVARC) is looking for new members to learn a little bit about radio operations, share a common interest and maybe even help out in an emergency. The club has existed in the Valley for years, but until recently it was all but inactive. Now a few radio enthusiasts are working to get it off the ground once more. Their next meeting, open to anyone with an interest in amateur radio and any level of experience, is Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7: 00 p.m. at the Comox Fire Hall. Club president Bob Stroud and member Morris Thompson both developed a love of radio early. For Thompson, his grandfather instilled that love when he used Morse Code to communicate with the youngster from the other end of the house. Stroud got in to the hobby in high school because a teacher was an amateur operator. Licensed amateur radio operators, known as 'hams,' use their radios to communicate with people all around the world. Through voice, typing or Morse Code, hams chat with one another about everything from the weather to current events. "We can talk to anybody, pretty well anywhere in the world," said Stroud. "The difference is that with a cell phone, you know who you're calling."

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Hamming It Up:

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 04:05 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29290

A pathologist, an aircraft technician, a doctor, a farmer, a minister of religion and a plumber are among the people who belong to the Marlborough Amateur Radio Club. Talk to any of them on the other end of a radio signal, though, and they are just another voice. "On radio, everyone is exactly the same," says committee member Grant Simpson. "You could even be talking to royalty." Royal radio operators may not share their identity signals with commoners, but anyone can respond to a voice "calling CQ" (meaning "calling all long-distance radios") on an open air frequency. Helen Harris is another Marlborough club member who, with husband Ron, was drawn to amateur radio to make life easier on their Mount Adde farm in lower Awatere. It takes four hours to herd sheep from one end of the farm to the other, she says. "So if [men] call at a named gateway I can go round by road and pick the dogs up so they don't have to run all the way home." When work is done,

the couple put their radio to other uses. "The [radio] repeater goes on in our house 24-7." Fellow radio club members may be travelling in the area and making requests for weather reports, directions to somewhere they want to visit, or maybe just to swap a memorable story. Chat is silenced, however, if there is an emergency. "[Then] we can go on to our repeater and request people don't use it so we can handle an emergency. "I really enjoy emergency [communications]. I do search and rescue, civil defence and fires." Rural Fire use amateur radio operators who can provide a frequency base for police, helicopter and fire teams to use. "We co-ordinate it all, log all the calls," Helen says. Accepting such responsibilities comes with getting a radio licence.

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NPA Sixth-Graders Study Sun:

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 04:05 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29289

VOLUNTEERS FROM THE COCONINO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, Coconino Astronomical Society and Lowell Observatory Director Jeff Hall helped out Kaci Heins' sixth-grade science class at Northland Preparatory Academy. They had eight telescopes with white light and hydrogen alpha filters. This allowed students to see sun spots and solar prominences.

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Why I've Built My Own Satellite:

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 04:05 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29288

The technology-obsessed artist has built his own satellite, but is finding it much harder to sell T-shirts to pay for the launch You have built your own satellite as part of your Open Source Satellite Initiative. What will it do? It will communicate down to Earth and people can talk to it using amateur radio equipment. Anyone can send it a message, which it will transmit in Morse code using LED lights bright enough to be seen from Earth with bare eyes or binoculars. I'm trying to raise the attention of the general public about the space programme, and give them a chance to look at the sky one more time.

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Scientists Puzzled -- What's Wrong with the Sun?

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 04:04 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29287

Scientists are puzzling over the sun and why its activity is low when it should be much higher. Despite the predictions of an active sun for 2012 and 2013, the sun is quite pacific leaving scientists to wonder over what appears to be the sun's quietest period over the last century. It is an established fact that the sun has cycles. Every 11 years, the sun completes a cycle of activity, becoming alternatively active, then quiet during that span. Right now, the sun should be active, but it isn't. It's nearly as

quiet as it is during its minimum, which has scientists scratching their heads.
Solar activity can only be generally predicted and has fluctuated considerably in the past. Solar minimums, represented by weak activity are generally correlated with cold periods in Earth's history. The "Little Ice Age" that lasted somewhere between 1550 and 1850, saw temperatures well below average normals and has been correlated to a decline in solar output. That period of solar decline is known to scientists as the "Maunder Minimum." The Little Ice Age was typified by unpredictable weather and colder summers in northern Europe. The region was beset with sporadic famines. Glaciers crept down from mountains and consumer farms and villages, while lakes and ponds froze over across Europe so that people could skate on them. The current level of solar activity is still well above Maunder Minimum levels, but it could portend the start of a general decline. Such a decline could affect Earth's climate for several centuries.

2213. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 7 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-08 03:16:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614ef68b0aa804cdf34162@google.com>
Source record: 1680
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts - Beach Reporter

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 06:07 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG27r3_9bICOpgsZqnDMuyUnPTf_g&url=http://tbrnews.com/news/hermosa_beach/amateur-radio-association-serves-community-works-with-local-scouts/article_5efd6882-2947-11e2-86ce-0019bb2963f4.html

Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts
Beach Reporter
With Hurricane Sandy raging last week along the East Coast, families in California were reminded to always be prepared for an emergency. While the beach cities wont likely see a hurricane, an earthquake or a tsunami are potential threats. When the ...

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Thinking about urban park possibilities, ham radio's comeback and more - Las Vegas Weekly

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 05:11 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGUdsmGoR78808gPzEsiqfYUX7pmQ&url=http://www.lasvegasweekly.com/news/2012/nov/07/thinking-about-urban-park-possibilities-ham-radios/

Thinking about urban park possibilities, ham radios comeback and more
Las Vegas Weekly
When Sandy walloped the East Coast last week and everything went haywire, hospitals, shelters and the American Red Cross turned to amateur ham radio operators to assist in emergency communications. Come doomsday, its the ham radio clan that will ...

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Wellington High student makes an important call - to space - Sun-Sentinel

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 12:01 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEiRBdEjmkxF5uICirB9RH31yi4dQ&url=http://www.sun-sentinel.com/news/palm-beach/wellington/fl-wf-space-1107-20121107,0,3333037.story

Wellington High student makes an important call – to space
Sun-Sentinel
The museum was one of only 10 sites nationally that participated in the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station program, which is a NASA

program that uses ham radios to interact with astronauts on the station to promote interest in science and ...

and more

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BECA senior Danny Myers looks for love in 'Bad Girls Club' spinoff - Golden Gate Xpress

Posted: 06 Nov 2012 08:02 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFWkV08sZINetXre6HMl6vQwuPO3Q&url=http://www.goldengatexpress.org/2012/11/06/danny-myers/

BECA senior Danny Myers looks for love in Bad Girls Club spinoff
Golden Gate Xpress
Though Myers is now a reality show personality, he was formerly the Fall 2011 host of “Ham Radio” on the BECA programs radio station KSFS and is an aspiring voice-over actor. Myers is one of the bachelors for the this season of “Love Games,” a spinoff ...

2214. MMMonVHF Newsletter subscription

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-08 07:28:15 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121108071001.033FB1233217B@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1681
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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MMMonVHF.de Team

2215. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 8 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-08 11:44:16 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae934065b8e8e5304cdfa5a16@google.com>
Source record: 1682
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kU4hDswL8pI/november_08.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Not as 'Special' as last week but still good enough to need the entry point
to the list raised to 5 reported contacts

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ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NUhq9JIDaqc/zl9hr_dxpedition_to_campbell_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

One of the most important DXpeditions of the year is about to start. ZL9HR
will be active from the UNESCO World Heritage Campbell Island which is
650Km south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean

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Successful DXpedition to Herm Island

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S9ca0lgjj8E/successful_dxpedition_to_herm_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Martello Tower Group are very pleased to report that their inaugural
DXpedition to Herm Island was a great success

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FUNcube-1 CubeSat time-lapse video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aKqT9bJSUPs/funcube1_cubesat_time_lapse_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A time-lapse video made in the ISIS clean-room showing the integration of
the AMSAT-UK amateur radio satellite FUNcube-1 has been released

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Video of Hellschreiber presentation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uT2HlhewmPU/video_of_hellschreiber_pres

entation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Randy Hall K7AGE gave a presentation on the Hellschreiber data mode to Pacificon 2012 and the video has now been released

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Impression of Jamboree On The Air 2012

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lvnKMGOzS1g/impression_of_jamboree_on_the_air_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders PA2LS reports on Jamboree On The Air in Africa and Europe

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Remember to validate your licence

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BoD0VvLt_l0/remember_to_validate_your_licence.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

UK amateur radio licences issued in 2006/7 expire in December. The Essex Ham website have produced a handy guide showing how to validate your licences online

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EANET Sprint Contest this Sunday

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qP23FRsn46M/eanet_sprint_contest_this_sunday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This Sunday, November 11, from 08:00 to 12:00 UTC, radio amateurs and radio clubs all over the world, in a peaceful battle of just 4 hours, will populate the bands

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Norwegian regulations change

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mqCV8JINIbk/norwegian_regulations_change.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As of October 31, 2012, the Norwegian P and T Authority has made changes to the Norwegian amateur radio license regulations

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Hamming it up

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xevbsnVhLIs/hamming_it_up.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Marlborough Express reports on the activities of the Marlborough Amateur Radio Club

2216. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 8 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-08 17:41:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2348158edfe904cdff563d@google.com>
Source record: 1683
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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New Callsign Search Engine at QRZ

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 10:09 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367527-New-Callsign-Search-Engine-at-QRZ&goto=newpost

Some folks may have noticed that the behavior of the QRZ callsign search engine has changed. That's because we've just completed a major rewrite of the callsign search function and are pleased to announce several new features. These include:

Support for prefix and suffix lookups using the star (*) character, e.g. try "AA*"The ability to find partial callsigns (e.g. *7x*)Improved USA County searchThe ability to list all of the QRZ callsigns for a given DXCC entityThe ability to search by both major and minor grid squares

To see the new features, which include help info, just click on the search button at the top of the page, without filling in the search box. You will be brought to a new search box having all the aforementioned options.

This software update has also introduced more performance improvements and a general rewrite of many key functions. The callsign pages are now lighter (having fewer bytes to transfer) and some features are now loaded on demand instead of by default. One feature, however, which we called Notes, did not make the cutover. We're reviewing the usefulness of this feature which at its core was a Twitter-like capability that didn't work as well as Twitter. We're going to reevaluate the feature to see if it continues to make sense. Our sense is that the majority of our users didn't make use of it.

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HamRadioNow: Hurricane Sandy Follow-Up

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 07:37 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367514-HamRadioNow-Hurricane-Sandy-Follow-Up&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 31: Hurricane Sandy Follow-Up

Hurricane Sandy is gone. What did Ham Radio do? What did we learn?

In this episode, Southern New Jersey ARRL SEC John Zaruba K2ZA returns,

and is joined by ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey KI1U

to discuss how it went, and what we learned to do even better next time.

Watch this episode at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

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LOTW outage extends into third day.

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 04:04 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367499-LOTW-outage-extends-into-third-day&goto=newpost

Users attempting to log into ARRL's popular LOTW site since Sunday may find
their browser rejecting the site.

No word from ARRL yet on when it will return. A message posted on the LOTW
home page just before it went down stated the site

was swamped by heavy weekend contest traffic.

2217. The ARRL Letter for November 8, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-08 19:59:31 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121108180521.D7F8E26DDBE@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1684
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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+ Available on ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC REJECTS MARYLAND HAM'S PLAN FOR AMENDING MESSAGE
FORWARDING SYSTEM RULES

On Monday, November 5, the FCC issued a letter dismissing a Petition
for Rulemaking filed in February 2012 by Rolan Clark, W3FDK, of
Adamstown, Maryland. In his Petition, Clark had asked the FCC to amend
Section 97.219, specifying that control operators of the first
forwarding station in a message forwarding system of stations should
not be obligated to authenticate the identity of a station from which
the message forwarding system accepts messages, and that the first
forwarding station should not accept accountability for any violative
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content of the messages put into the system, Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-rejects-maryland-ham-s-plan-for-amending-messag
e-forwarding-system-rules>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: DO NOT SELF-DEPLOY TO AREAS AFFECTED BY HURRICANE
SANDY

Amateur Radio operators who want to assist those Sections affected by
Hurricane Sandy should not self-deploy to those areas. "There are many
ARRL Sections involved in the impact area, and each has different
requirements on how they locate, credential and deploy volunteers,"
explained ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U. "If a
need for manpower is identified that cannot be met locally or in the
Section, Section leadership may contact other Sections for assistance.
If the need is still not met, Section leadership may then contact ARRL
HQ for assistance."

==> + IARU: IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL PLANS FOR WRC-15 AT ANNUAL
MEETING

The Administrative Council (AC) of the International Amateur Radio
Union (IARU) held its Annual Meeting November 2-4 in Ho Chi Minh City,
Vietnam. The AC -- which consists of the three IARU International
Officers and two representatives from each of the three IARU regional
organizations -- is responsible for the policy and management of the
IARU and. According to IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, the meeting
was a somber occasion due to the passing of IARU Region 3 Chairman
Michael J. Owen, VK3KI. Owen had been a member of the Administrative
Council for most of its existence, and had been a longtime contributor
to the efforts of IARU to promote and preserve Amateur Radio. Read more
here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/iaru-administrative-council-plans-for-wrc-15-at-ann
ual-meeting>.

==> + W1AW ANNOUNCES 2012-2013 WINTER OPERATING SCHEDULE

With the switch from Daylight Saving Time to Standard Time this past
weekend, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW
operating schedule to reflect the change. The standard times have not
changed, but the UTC times have. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-2012-2013-winter-operating-schedule>
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==> + LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD EXPECTED TO BE BACK ONLINE ON NOVEMBER 9

ARRL Information Technology Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, is
reporting that while Logbook of The World (LoTW
<http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) system is currently down,
it is expected to be back up by 9 AM EST (1400 UTC) on Friday, November
9. "While the system is temporarily down, radio amateurs are not able
to access LoTW or upload their logs," Keane explained. "No data has
been lost, and everyone's records are intact. We understand the problem
and we are in the process of restoring service to LoTW. Since both the

Logbook of The World service and the Online DXCC
<http://www.arrl.org/news/online-dxcc-application-to-debut-april-2>
service are connected to the ARRL Awards System, radio amateurs are not
able to access either service until the system is restored. We
apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, and want to assure the
amateur community that the ARRL is working diligently to restore
service to these popular programs."

==> ARRL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE EXAMINES REGULATORY MATTERS,
ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES AND MORE AT SEPTEMBER MEETING

The ARRL Executive Committee (EC) held its second 2012 meeting
Saturday, September 29 in Denver, Colorado. The EC is responsible for
administering the League's affairs in between Board meetings. According
to the ARRL Articles of Association, the EC meets during the intervals
between meetings of the Board of Directors. It meets at the call of the
President, but no less often than semi-annually; the last meeting of
the EC was March 24, 2012.

At the meeting, the EC discussed the lack of visibility of Amateur
Radio enforcement actions, the FCC's study of the Amateur Radio study
mandated by Congress, the status to the followup of the report of the
ARRL's National Broadband Plan Committee, the future implementation of
the secondary MF allocation of 472-479 kHz and the Notice of Proposed
Rulemaking -- expected, but yet not released at the time of the meeting
-- that seeks to change the way Amateur Radio licenses are administered
and granted, as well as a change to the TDMA rules. The Committee also
discussed the upcoming Centennial Celebration and voted to approve
conventions and affiliated radio clubs, and recognized new ARRL Life
Members. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-executive-committee-examines-regulatory-matter
s-organizational-issues-and-more-at-september-mee>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that
the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which
covers the month of October -- takes a look how affected ARRL Sections
handled the effects of Hurricane Sandy, the 2012 ARRL National
Convention in California, the annual ARRL On-Line Auction, new ARRL
publications, W1AW activities during JOTA, reports from the Official
Observer Desk and more. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-51>.

==> ARRL ATLANTIC DIVISION PRESENTS "VIRTUAL" CONVENTION

The Atlantic Division Leadership is turning the traditional
convention model on its head! This year -- through the use of
multimedia -- the Division will host its convention on the Internet
<http://www.atldiv.org/convention> on Saturday, November 10. ARRL
President (and former Atlantic Division Director) Kay Craigie, N3KN,
will be the keynote speaker at the 2012 Atlantic Division Convention!

"We will be doing the convention as an educational event," explained ARRL Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR. "We have some world-class presenters and topics for the convention, including NBEMS; an emergency communications discussion panel, information on stealth antennas, a DX forum and a forum on RF propagation." Find information and the presentations schedule for the convention here <http://www.atldiv.org/convention>. There is no cost for registration and Edgar said that there are still some seats available, but registration will close when there are no more seats available.

==> + ARRL SAYS "THANK YOU" TO VETERANS

On Sunday, November 11, here in the US and abroad, we will celebrate Veterans Day, also called Remembrance Day or Armistice Day. Originally a holiday that marked the end of World War I -- the "War to End All Wars" -- this day has been set aside to honor all who have served their country. It was on November 11, 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, that Germany signed the Armistice, formally ending the hostilities that had been ongoing since 1914.

The ARRL would like to take this opportunity to thank our service veterans. Whether they served on active duty or reserve, during peacetime or time of conflict, they served their county with honor. We also would be remiss if we did not remember the families of those veterans who kept the home fires burning bright; without their love and support, our veterans would have indeed been alone.

ARRL Headquarters has its share of service veterans: Assistant VEC Manager Perry Green, WY1O (Army); Technical Editor Joel Hallas, W1ZR (Army); News Editor S. Khrystyne Keane, K1SFA (Coast Guard); Instruction and Resource Coordinator Nathan McCray, K9CPO (Navy); DXCC Manager Bill Moore, NC1L (Army); Reprints Specialist Tony Nesta, AA1RZ (Navy); Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N (Navy); Technical Relations Specialist Jon Siverling, WB3ERA (Army); Field and Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG (Air Force), and Education & Technology Program Coordinator Mark Spencer, WA8SME (Air Force).

Thank you for your service -- your sacrifice and the sacrifice of your fellow service members is not forgotten.

==> + USPS SEEKS TO PHASE OUT IRCS

If the US Postal Service (USPS <https://www.usps.com/>) gets its way, it will no longer sell International Reply Coupons (IRCs) after January 27, 2013. According to the October 23 edition of the Federal Register <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/10/23/2012-25992/international-mailing-services-proposed-product-and-price-changes#h-88>, there is not sufficient demand for the USPS to continue offering IRCs to customers; however, per the Universal Postal Union (UPU <http://www.upu.int/en.html>) regulations, the USPS must continue to

exchange and redeem IRCs that have been purchased in foreign countries and presented at USPS facilities. Comments on this proposed change will be accepted <http://www.regulations.gov/#!submitComment;D=USPS-2012-0101-0001> through November 23, 2012. IRCs provide foreign addressees with a prepaid means of responding to inquiries, solicitations or other types of communications -- such as QSL cards -- that are initiated by US senders. IRCs are exchangeable for postage stamps by postal administrations in member countries of the UPU. Each IRC is equivalent in value to the destination country's minimum postage price for an unregistered airmail letter. The purchase price is in the US is currently $2.20 per IRC. -- Thanks to The Daily DX <http://www.dailydx.com/> for some information.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity retreated again this week, with the average daily sunspot numbers declining 8.7 points to 49.7, while the average daily solar flux was down nearly 20 points to 97.2. The latest forecast shows solar flux at 100 on November 8-9, 105 on November 10-11, 100 on November 12-13, 95 on November 14-15, 115 on November 16-17, and 110 on November 18-20. The planetary A index forecast predicts an index of 9 on November 8, 5 on November 9-10, 7 on November 11-12, 5 on November 13-18, 8 on November 19, and back down to 5 on November 20-December 10. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, November 9. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- Will you be participating in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter> on November 30?
- Do you make a special effort to perform maintenance on your antenna system in preparation for winter?
- How many computers do you own (desktop, laptop or tablet)?
- How long do you keep your print editions of QST?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will be published in the February 2013 issue of QST on the QuickStats page, located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- November 9 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 10-11 -- Kentucky QSO Party; WAE DX Contest (RTTY); 10-10 International Fall Contest (Digital); JIDX Phone Contest; OK/OM DX Contest (CW)
- November 10-11 -- CQ-Western Electric Contest
- November 11 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon
- November 12 -- NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- November 14-15 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test
- November 15 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint

Next week:

- November 16 -- NCCC Sprint; YO International PSK31 Contest
- November 17 -- CQ SA SSB Contest; Feld Hell Sprint
- November 17-18 -- LZ DX Contest; All Austrian 160 Meter Contest; RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz Contest (CW)
- November 17-19 -- ARRL Sweepstakes Contest (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>; North American Collegiate ARC Championship (SSB)
- November 18 -- EPC PSK63 QSO Party; Homebrew and Old Time Equipment Party
- November 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- November 10 -- ARRL Alabama State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/alabama-state-convention-1>, Montgomery, Alabama
- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-computer-expo-1>, Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-2>, Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-1>, Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>, Fort Myers, Florida

- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

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2218. eHam.net News for Thursday 8 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-08 23:14:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e80f2202a3d04ce03fe64@google.com>
Source record: 1685
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:38 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29308

This Week in Radiosport:

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FCC Rejects Maryland Ham's Plan for Amending Message Forwarding System Rule

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:37 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29307

On Monday, November 5, the FCC issued a letter dismissing a Petition for Rulemaking filed in February 2012 by Rolan Clark, W3FDK, of Adamstown, Maryland. In his Petition, Clark had asked the FCC to amend Section 97.219, specifying that control operators of the first forwarding station in a message forwarding system of stations should not be obligated to authenticate the identity of a station from which the message forwarding system accepts messages, and that the first forwarding station should not accept accountability for any violative content of the messages put into the system.

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Do Not Self-Deploy to Areas Affected by Hurricane Sandy:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:36 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29306

Amateur Radio operators who want to assist those Sections affected by Hurricane Sandy should not self-deploy to those areas. "There are many ARRL Sections involved in the impact area, and each has different requirements on how they locate, credential and deploy volunteers," explained ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey, KI1U.

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IARU Administrative Council Plans for WRC-15 at Annual Meeting:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:36 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29305

The Administrative Council (AC) of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) held its Annual Meeting November 2-4 in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

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Logbook of The World Expected to Be Back Online on November 9:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:35 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29304

ARRL Information Technology Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, is
reporting that while Logbook of The World (LoTW) system is currently down,
it is expected to be back up by 9 AM EST (1400 UTC) on Friday, November
9. "While the system is temporarily down, radio amateurs are not able
to access LoTW or upload their logs," Keane explained. "No data has
been lost, and everyone's records are intact. We understand the problem
and we are in the process of restoring service to LoTW.

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ARRL Executive Committee Examines Regulatory Matters, Organizational Issues

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:34 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29303

The ARRL Executive Committee (EC) held its second 2012 meeting
Saturday, September 29 in Denver, Colorado. The EC is responsible for
administering the League's affairs in between Board meetings. According
to the ARRL Articles of Association, the EC meets during the intervals
between meetings of the Board of Directors. It meets at the call of the
President, but no less often than semi-annually; the last meeting of
the EC was March 24, 2012.

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ARRL In Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:33 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29302

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that
the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which
covers the month of October -- takes a look how affected ARRL Sections
handled the effects of Hurricane Sandy, the 2012 ARRL National
Convention in California, the annual ARRL On-Line Auction, new ARRL
publications, W1AW activities during JOTA, reports from the Official
Observer Desk and more.

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ARRL Atlantic Division Presents 'Virtual' Convention:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:32 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29301

The Atlantic Division Leadership is turning the traditional
convention model on its head! This year -- through the use of
multimedia -- the Division will host its convention on the Internet
on Saturday, November 10. ARRL
President (and former Atlantic Division Director) Kay Craigie, N3KN,
will be the keynote speaker at the 2012 Atlantic Division Convention!
"We will be doing the convention as an educational event," explained

ARRL Atlantic Division Director Bill Edgar, N3LLR.

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ARRL Says 'Thank You' to Veterans:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:31 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29300

On Sunday, November 11, here in the US and abroad, we will celebrate Veterans Day, also called Remembrance Day or Armistice Day. Originally a holiday that marked the end of World War I -- the "War to End All Wars" -- this day has been set aside to honor all who have served their country. It was on November 11, 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, that Germany signed the Armistice, formally ending the hostilities that had been ongoing since 1914.

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USPS Seeks to Phase Out IRCs:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:31 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29299

If the US Postal Service gets its way, it will no longer sell International Reply Coupons (IRCs) after January 27, 2013. According to the October 23 edition of the Federal Register, there is not sufficient demand for the USPS to continue offering IRCs to customers; however, per the Universal Postal Union regulations, the USPS must continue to exchange and redeem IRCs that have been purchased in foreign countries and presented at USPS facilities.

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:30 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29298

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

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W1AW 2012/2013 Winter Operating Schedule:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 03:37 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29297

W1AW 2012/2013 Winter Operating Schedule:

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-46:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 03:33 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29296

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast 2012-46:

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Hams Step Up In Emergency Situations:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 03:38 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29295

The latest issue of Electronic Design Magazine just published a very nice story about Ham Radio.

2219. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 8 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-09 04:07:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a0fcf2c9a6904ce081766@google.com>
Source record: 1686
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School - STLtoday.com

Posted: 17 Oct 2012 10:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHGIagSmFEqXyv0ytQysIEZlU5LUQ&url=http://www.stltoday.com/suburban-journals/stcharles/education/ham-radio-back-in-style-at-st-charles-high-school/article_6d9d50cc-6fe7-5466-aa31-eba38bf0dc03.html

Ham radio back in style at St. Charles High School
STLtoday.com
Students at St. Charles High participate in fox hunts in which they use their radio to search for hidden antennae and will try to make the most contacts during field days organized by the St. Charles Amateur Radio Club. Young interest in the hobby has ...

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Ham radio in use at city emergency shelter at Cheltenham High - Philadelphia Daily News

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGf6S4LuG7ZgwgdRsw3E0p3R0Mkow&url=http://www.philly.com/philly/news/20121029_Ham_radio_in_use_at_city_emergency_shelter_at_Cheltenham_High.html

Philadelphia Daily News
Ham radio in use at city emergency shelter at Cheltenham High
Philadelphia Daily News
In addition to 100 cots, three prepared meals a day, a nurse, a mental-health professional and a generator, the shelter also has two volunteer amateur-radio operators working 12-hour shifts to provide emergency communications between the shelter and ...

2220. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-065E - Bob Nash VE3KZ appointed to Hall of Fame

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-09 07:50:44 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <509CB5AC.9090007@rac.ca>
Source record: 1687
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-065E - Bob Nash VE3KZ appointed to Hall of Fame
2012-11-08

The Board of Trustees of the Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame is pleased to appoint Robert Nash VE3KZ of Milton, ON to the Hall of Fame. Bob will be presented with this award at a meeting to be arranged in Toronto in early 2013, at which time a more detailed summary of his contributions to amateur radio will be published in The Canadian Amateur magazine.

Nominations for the Hall of Fame must be submitted by Sept. 30th annually. The appointment is to recognize an amateur for outstanding achievement for sustained service to amateur radio in Canada, or amateur radio at large. The Board of Trustees consists of an amateur radio representative from each province of Canada.

Radio Amateurs of Canada congratulates Bob Nash on this award.

Ed Frazer VE7EF
Chair, Board of Trustees
Canadian Amateur Radio Hall of Fame
Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2221. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 11 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-09 08:12:16 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <4c02f606-15ff-472e-a686-6666ffb24aec@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1688
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-11-11.mp3
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 11 2012.

Morse Code Practice Net on 3540 at 1830 hrs. nightly

GB 4 WLR on air today the 11th November as part of Remembrance Sunday
commemorations.

DX Club to close down

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING NOV 11 2012.

IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL PLANS FOR WRC-15 AT ANNUAL MEETING

The Administrative Council (AC) of the International Amateur Radio
Union (IARU) held its Annual Meeting November 2-4 in Ho Chi Minh City,
Vietnam.

The AC -- which consists of the three IARU International Officers
and two representatives from each of the three IARU regional organizations
is responsible for the policy and management of the IARU and according to
IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, the meeting was a somber occasion due
to the passing of IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael J. Owen, VK3KI.

VK3KI had been a member of the Administrative Council for most of its existence, and had been a longtime contributor to the efforts of IARU to promote and preserve Amateur Radio.

In memory of Michael, the IARU Administrative Council announced that the new "Michael J. Owen VK3KI Award" had been established to recognize an individual or individuals that best exemplify the dedication and hard work of IARU volunteers.

Thanks to the ARRL and WIA you read more here

arrl.org/news/iaru-administrative-council-plans-for-wrc-15-at-annual-meeting

www.wia.org.au/newsevents/news/2012/20121108-2/index.php

(txt versions only)

This is Roger Harrison VK2ZRH

The battle over NSW planning restrictions on amateur radio antenna masts continues.

The deadline for making submissions to the latest phase of the NSW planning review closed on Friday last, 9 November.

Thank you to all those who made the effort to file a submission to the department of Planning and Infrastructure.

I note that a number of you also filed submissions to the Local Government Regulation Review being conducted by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal. Thanks to you, too, and well done.

Now, our battle has to enter a new phase. The political campaign phase.

Yes, just as you immediately thought, this means taking our cause to your local member of the NSW Parliament. But - rein-in your enthusiasm for a moment - this phase needs to proceed in a considered way or our efforts will be lost amongst the clutter of other issues.

This coming week, I want you to do some homework. If you know who your local member is, gather his or her contact details and keep them to hand. The address and phone numbers of their electoral office, their postal address and their contact email address. If you don't know which state electorate you live in, I'll have instructions on how to find out posted in the WIA website.

wia.org.au

Preparing a letter to your local member requires a different approach to writing a submission to a government department. I'll have guidelines on how to approach it posted to wia.org.au soon, so look out for it.

Last week, I told you about what a spokesman from the NSW department of Planning and Infrastructure told the Sydney Morning Herald and quoted in an article on NSW amateurs' troubles with red tape over antenna masts. He said that ''allowing higher aerials without a detailed development application process could cause unacceptable streetscape and neighbourhood

safety issues''.

We have to change that view.

In the meantime, here's how the department is promoting the planning reform, and I want you to think it over "The NSW Government is creating a planning system for the 21st century. A planning system focused on the public interest. A planning system that places people and their choices at the heart of planning decisions about their future."

Radio amateurs are people! We chose to get a licence. In NSW we're being excluded from the planning decisions of the future!

And that goes for future radio amateurs in NSW, too.

This is Roger Harrison VK2ZRH. I'll see you further down the log.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK1

CRARC's next Members Meeting will be the 28th November which will be the Annual Christmas Bash BBQ and a Trash and Treasure Night.

If you are contemplation going, take along any of your surplus gear as CRARC is looking at bringing along more of their surplus gear too so that you can really make a feast of it!

All are welcome, whether you are a member or not, bring a likeminded guest along and enjoy the festivities

Please check events web page on www.crarc.ampr.org

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm
VKG Roundup http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/news
Email Address : r_demkiw@yahoo.com.au

SARC RECEIVES C'WLTH VOLUNTEER GRANTS SCHEME $3,350.

SARC received the massive $3,350.00 grant under the Commonwealth's Volunteer Grants Scheme.

This for various items to assist Summerland to improve facilities and training capabilities at the Lismore Clubrooms.

www.fahcsia.gov.au

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Illawarra Amateur Radio Society has been holding its meetings at the Wollongong Bowling Club. However, due the popularity of a recently introduced $5 Schnitzel night the Society's meeting area has been taken over by hungry schnitzel lovers.

Consequently, a new meeting place was sought and found, with all future meetings of the Society now to be held at the Coniston Community Hall on Bridge Street, between Bridge Theatre and Coniston Railway Station.

(vk2wi)

Next Sunday, the 18 th November, Amateur Radio NSW will conduct a one day Foundation course at the VK2WI site, 63 Quarry Road, Dural.
Start time 0830 hours.

The following Sunday, 25th will be assessments for all license grades.

Inquiries and bookings to education@arnsw.org.au

Sunday the 25 th November is also the last of the Trash and Treasure events for the year at the VK2WI site. It will get underway about 0930 hours. Major items on offer are to be found under Disposals on the ARNSW web site www.arnsw.org.au

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Busy time ahead for Amateur Radio Victoria

The next quarterly speaker night is this Tuesday, November the 13th, at 8pm.

It will be presented by Peter Cossins VK3BFG who will be taking the mystery out of SWR.

This very interesting talk is at 40g Victory Boulevard, Ashburton.

The Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award special weekend kicks off Friday November the 16th and runs through to Sunday the 18th.

A master list of National Parks to be activated and the award rules are on the Amateur Radio Victoria website.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WHAT WAS ON AT NERG

Mark Harrison, VK3BYY, NERG NEWS Editor says that their meeting held on Thursday 8th saw Peter VK3TBN talking about Software Defined Radios.

Peter has been playing with a USB DVB-TV receiver stick.

These cheap devices are designed to receive digital TV, FM and DAB broadcasts on a PC. With open source software however, they become a general purpose VHF/UHF Software Defined Radio receiver for many other modes such as SSB, AM, FM, PSK, TETRA, as well as a Spectrum Analyser covering a range of up to 64MHz - 1.7GHz.

If you have a USB DVB-TV stick based on the Realtek RTL2832 chip then all you need to get going on digital radio is to install one of the many free software packages such as HDSDR, or GNU Radio.

VK5

Some ham fests are never publicised and the organisers wonder why year after year their numbers, both in attendance and in mainstream commercial sellers diminish.

Others are well aware of publicity and advising when their next HamFest will take place..

Like Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society who just hours after their successful 2012 event have announced the date for NEXT YEAR!

November 3rd 2013.

Visit www.wia.org.au and under clubs click the Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society for contact details.

VK6

Peel Amateur Radio Group have a special Anniversary coming - they are celebrating their 30th Anniversary.

The President of PARG, Michelle VK6MLW reports that to help celebrate they will be using a specially assigned call sign VI6 ARG 30. PARG will be operating until the 18th of November. QSLs card will be issued for stations worked. Further details can be found on QRZ.com

PARG will also be having celebrations today and next week, the 18th of November which will include the club setting up in a local park In Mandurah. Everyone is welcome to swing past and say hello or look for them on air.

BYO Picnic, please contact for further details or head to their club page on wia.org.au

www.wia.org.au/clubs/vk6/PeelAmateurRadioGroup/

PARG is a growing club with approx. 20 members and embrace all areas from Kwinana though to Waroona, incorporating Rockingham and Mandurah in VK6.

PARG has been working on a Mobile Communications Trailer for the past couple of years which was obtained through generous donations from sponsors such as SES Mandurah, Mayday and Alcoa. Their trailer is primarily used for emergency radio communications back-up to the SES in Mandurah and Club field days.

PARG is currently in early stages of sourcing a suitable club house in the Peel region.

VK6MLW says: "Please do not hesitate to contact any one of our committee members for more information on us and our activities."

(Onno Benschop)

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

Southern News

Morse Code Practice Net on 3540 at 1830 hrs. nightly (Tassie Time).

The format will start by having simple QSOs and evolve from there.

So, anyone interested in learning Morse, or in brushing up on their skills, please join in.

(VK7FB and on behalf of VK7AD)

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call? (20120401)

As an amateur you have access to a whole range of frequencies. When I started in this hobby, I chose to buy an all-band set which allows me access to the main amateur bands, 160m through to 70cm. As I talk to other amateurs it occurred to me that apart from having a radio that can do those bands, it turns out that there are amateurs who favour particular bands.

Of course, some of the preference for a particular band comes from having a suitable antenna since not everyone has access to space where you can put up an antenna farm or a large dipole to access some of the lower bands.

Those considerations aside, while real, only show part of the picture. It turns out that within Amateur Radio there are some who stay on their particular band, or sometimes even "their frequency" and are happy to do so.

Having participated in a few contests over the past year, I can say that talking to new and varied people on a variety of bands has given me much joy. I've now tuned across and spoken on most amateur bands, either with my own call-sign, or as a contest participant with a club-sign.

If you "only have access" to a hand-held radio capable of 2m and 70cm, I'd like to encourage you to find a friend with a station capable of using HF and spending a little time perusing the bands. And if you're a died in the wool HF participant, tune your gear to UHF and VHF once in a while, you might be surprised.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

(Past editions of What use is an f-call can be found online at harg.org.au under F-troop.)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

TODAY SUNDAY IS REMEMBRANCE DAY

Every second Sunday in November the SARL, in special church service transmitted in the last 15 minutes of Amateur Radio Today, they remember all those who lost their lives in defence of their country.

The service will be first transmitted at 10:45 CAT on 11 November.

The service will conducted by Dominee Jan Kramer, ZS6JRK.

All amateur radio stations have been requested to observe radio silence as a mark of respect.

In the UK Special Event Station GB 4 WLR will be on air today the 11th November as part of the Remembrance Sunday commemorations.

A World War One locomotive is expected to be in steam on the West Lancashire Light Railway at Hesketh Bank.

The locomotive served behind the front lines during WW1 and is named Joffre.

In the USA, the ARRL SAYS:-

"Sunday, November 11, in the US and abroad, we will celebrate Veterans Day, also called Remembrance Day or Armistice Day.

Originally a holiday that marked the end of World War I, the "War to End All Wars" this day has been set aside to honour all who have served their country.

It was on November 11, 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, that Germany signed the Armistice, formally ending hostilities that had been ongoing since 1914.

The ARRL would like to take this opportunity to thank our service veterans. Whether they served on active duty or reserve, during peacetime or time of conflict, they served their county with honour. We also would be remiss if we did not remember the families of those veterans who kept the home fires burning bright; without their love and support, our veterans would have indeed been alone."

WIA National News a few weeks back made mention of Satellite jamming in the Middle East.

Well according to European satellite operator Eutelsat, disruptions in these satellite signals in the Middle East and Europe have been traced back to Syria and Iran.

There has been speculation that the jamming is a reaction to changes in the regulations put forth by the International Telecommunications Union to comply with the European Union's increasingly tough sanctions on Iran.

The ITU altered its regulations at the World Radiocommunication Conference in Geneva after receiving complaints of repeated and deliberate interference in the reception of TV in Persian and Arabic. Because of these changes, Eutelsat no longer carries 19 radio and television channels broadcast by the Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting.

For its part, the International Telecommunications Union says that these recent incidents are not the first time that there have been allegations of Iran blocking communications from the outside world. The latest wave of interference has affected numerous radio and TV broadcasters including the BBC, France 24, Deutsche Welle and the Voice of America.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

BRITISH SOPRANO SARAH BRIGHTMAN NEXT VISITOR TO THE ISS

The British songstress who created the role of
Christine Daae in Sir Andrew Lloyd Webbers
musical stage classic The Phantom of the Opera
will be the next space tourist to
visit the International Space Station.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

It has been announced in Moscow, world famous
soprano Sarah Brightman had passed the required
mental and physical examinations to permit her fly to the ISS.

In a video of the press conference made public by
the Russian Space Agency Roscosmos, and the
singer herself, Brightman described how as a
child she was inspired by the Apollo 11 landing on the moon.

Brightman: "When I look back, my mind's eye
brings me to a rush of images from all of the
incredible things that I have been privileged to
experience in my life. But if I keep tracking
back, my thoughts eventually come to rest on a
flickering TV screen in 1969. There as a small
and incredulous child I watched a man bound
gently from the steps of a rocket ship and land on the surface of the moon.

"This really was an adventure. It was something miraculous.

"For me it was an epiphany. From that moment I
began looking into the future. I began to dream
about what life might hold in store for me and of what I could accomplish."

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During her comments, Brightman said the trip
would serve as a way to promote environmental
awareness and to encourage women's education by
helping to close the gender gap in the
sciences. For this she has called on the United
Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural
Organization, better known as UNESCO, to join with her to make it happen:

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Brightman: "There are two key areas that we have
identified which unify my personal passions,
UNESCO's objectives and my spaceflight. Both are
inexplicably linked and both relate to issues of sustainability."

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After completing an upcoming world tour to promote her new album appropriately called Dream Chaser, Brightman will undertake six months of training at Star City in Moscow in preparation for her mission to the International Space Station. Once on-orbit she is expected to take part in several educational ventures as just mentioned but it is not yet known if she will obtain an amateur radio license or has any plans to make any ham radio contacts from the ISS.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

FBI AND STINGRAY VS. PUBLIC RIGHT TO KNOW

Tracking cell phones by tricking them into operating on a bogus network is a law enforcement tactic shrouded in secrecy. Now the FBI is under pressure to release information about it—but the bureau doesn't want to let go of 25,000 pages of documents on sophisticated cell surveillance technology.

In an Arizona court case last year it was made public that the FBI had used a cell-site simulator in order to track down a suspect. The portable equipment, sometimes described as either an I-M-S-I catcher or a Stingray, covertly sends out a signal that fools all phones within a specific area into connecting to a fake network. The spy tool can force targeted phones to release unique identity codes that can then be used to track a person's movements in real time.

But not everyone likes the idea of this type of law enforcement tool being used. Among them is the Electronic Privacy Information Centre which is attempting to obtain internal FBI documents relating to the technology. In fact the Centre is taking legal action to force the prompt disclosure of records concerning Stingray devices or other cell site simulator technologies. It alleges that the FBI has failed to comply with statutory deadlines by not handing them over quickly enough following a freedom of information request made last February.

For its part, the FBI says that it has found 25,000 pages of documents that relate to the request, about 6,000 of which are classified. Because of this the agency says that it may need up to three years to process the files before they can be released.

In light of the FCC's recent enforcement activities against cellular telephone jamming devices, it will be interesting to see if the regulatory agency can or will become involved in this controversial issue.

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW JIDX Contest November 10-11
WW WAE RTTY November 10-11
WW CQ WW DX Contest CW November 24-25
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25
WW ARRL 160 MTR CONTEST November 30

WW RTTY Melee December 1
WW ARRL 10 m Contest December 8- 9

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

World DX Club to close down.

It has been announced that the World DX Club (WDXC) is to close, a final issue of Contact magazine is to be published in December.

For 44 years the club have published their newsletter Contact magazine every month, containing station logs, news, information and comment about radio and radio broadcasts, both current and historical, primarily, but not exclusively, international shortwave radio.

Regretfully due to health reasons Arthur and Olive Ward have had to step down from their club duties in charge of membership subscriptions, dispatch of bulletins as well as many contributions to the content of Contact over the years.

Arthur became club printer in July 1974 and added his secretarial role in December 1979.

This leaves the club with too few voluntary staff for the work involved and it has been decided to cease publication of Contact.

It is understood that outstanding subscriptions are to be transferred to the British DX Club for UK and overseas members outside of North America and to the North American Shortwave Association for North American members.

www.worlddxclub.org.uk/

The ARRL report that 14 year old radio amateur Tom Jose, VU3TMO, has just achieved his Digital DXCC award.

First licensed when he was 13 years old in December of 2011, VU3TMO is a 3rd generation ham operator in his family along with his parents.

VU3TMO is a member of India's National Institute of Amateur Radio and the Dayton Amateur Radio Association. He is reported to be one of the youngest hams in the sub-continent.

BROADCAST MONITORING SWL AND SCANNER NEWS

Petition to save RCI Sackville from being dismantled.

Thomas Witherspoon K4SWL has launched a petition to save Radio Canada International's Sackville site from being dismantled.

K4SWL says:

"Could you please take a few moments out of your day to sign this petition I started? Your voice will be added to the petition and it will automatically email the appropriate Canadian politicians who could, at the very least, put a halt to the destruction of the RCI Sackville site. Canada-indeed, the world-needs this vital shortwave resource.

I have more information about this on my blog
http://swling.com/blog/2012/10/petition-to-save-rci-sackville-from-being-dismantled/

You can sign the petition by clicking on this link
http://chn.ge/TRgSCX

KRML, Carmel, California.

KRML is the AM station made famous in Clint Eastwood's 1971 movie,
"Play Misty for Me," in which Eastwood plays a jazz DJ stalked by a
disturbed listener.

The station on both 1410 AM signal and a translator at 102.2 has
dropped the jazz/blues format and is playing a Hit Radio stunt.
It's airing the same 10 top 40 tunes repeatedly and has - at least
temporarily - positioned itself as "102.1 Radio Yummy."

THE QNEWS WORK BENCH - the nuts and volts report - Measure Twice cut Once.

Phone has built-in VHF / UHF transceiver

Don't use this one in Australia!

The Puxing PX-D03 operates as a dual-band VHF/UHF transceiver as well as
being a GSM mobile phone.

The transceiver covers 136-174MHz and 400-470MHz FM with 1,8 watts output.

Further information at
http://www.409shop.com/409shop_product.php?id=105986

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Spot the Space Station over your backyard with new NASA service

On the 12th anniversary of crews continuously living and working aboard the
International Space Station, NASA has announced a new service to help people
see the orbiting laboratory when it passes overhead.

'Spot the Station' will send an email or text message to those who sign up
for the service a few hours before they will be able to see the space station.

"It's really remarkable to see the space station fly overhead and to realize
humans built an orbital complex that can be spotted from Earth by almost
anyone looking up at just the right moment," said William Gerstenmaier,
NASA's associate administrator for human exploration and operations. "We're
accomplishing science on the space station that is helping to improve life on
Earth and paving the way for future exploration of deep space."

When the space station is visible -- typically at dawn and dusk -- it is the
brightest object in the night sky, other than the moon. On a clear night, the
station is visible as a fast moving point of light, similar in size and
brightness to the planet Venus. "Spot the Station" users will have the
options to receive alerts about morning, evening or both types of sightings.

The International Space Station's trajectory passes over more than 90 per cent
of Earth's population. The service is designed to only notify users of passes

that are high enough in the sky to be easily visible over trees, buildings and other objects on the horizon. NASA's Johnson Space Centre calculates the sighting information several times a week for more than 4,600 locations worldwide, all of which are available on "Spot the Station."

November 2 marked 12 years of continuous human habitation of the space station.

To sign up for "Spot the Station," visit:
http://spotthestation.nasa.gov

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN

NTARC WICEN co-ordinator Norm VK7KTN reports that thanks largely to a fine effort by VK7DC in signing on communications volunteers for the Tasmanian State Equine Endurance Championship to be held at Sassafras over the Friday night and Saturday 30 November/1 December, WICEN will be able to support the event.

Norm would be pleased to hear from any NTARC member who may be able to assist at Sassafras.

On the IARU-R1 site Greg G 0 DUB reports on HAMNET involvement in the search for a missing aircraft

HAMNET, the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Organisation for South Africa has concluded its involvement in a cross-border Search and Rescue operation for a missing aircraft.

A South African light aircraft, on a flight from Malawi to Lanseria in South Africa, failed to make regular radio contact over Mozambique. The South African Air Rescue Control Centre (ARCC) was advised and requested to assist. HAMNET received a call from the ARCC asking for communications support between O R Tambo Airport in Johannesburg and Beira in Mozambique to assist with the co-ordination of the search efforts and the request went out to HAMNET members to form a team to travel to Beira and provide a HF communications link between the two countries using frequencies in the 30m and 20m bands.

Sadly the search for the missing plane and its occupants was unsuccessful and was scaled back. The ARCC team met with the family on Sunday and there is a possibility that through Diplomatic channels, the family will continue the search on a private basis.

The HAMNET team has now returned home and a full debrief will take place shortly. While the outcome of the search was not what anyone would like, the ability of amateur radio to deliver critical communications to where it is needed was proven again and the ARCC were very happy with the services provided.

HAMNET
http://www.hamnet.co.za/

REWIND

WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO THE PRINCIPALITY OF SEALAND

Do you remember Sealand?

That's the self-proclaimed principality that also once claimed to be a DXCC entity. Well its still there but changes are in the wind.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, takes a look back into recent history:

"Sealand is a former United Kingdom anti-aircraft tower legally known as Roughs Tower. Its located in the North Sea some 7 nautical miles off the shore of Suffolk, England. In 1967 the tower was occupied by a retired army major named Paddy Roy Bates along with his family in 1967. On September 2nd of that year Major Bates declared the fort an independent sovereign state from the UK and renamed it Sealand. He went on to establish Sealand as a nation in 1975.

Sealand had its own constitution, flag, national anthem, stamps, passports and currency. There were even a few DXpeditions to Sealand. This included a operation by a group of German DX'ersin 1982 using Sealand's self proclaimed and unofficial callsign prefix of S-1-A. Later, in 2000 there was the Dutch-lead 1SLA1 operation, but neither of these was awarded DXCC status.

Now comes word that Major Bates passed away on October 9th, in a senior care home Essex England at the age of 91. This, after a long battle with Alzheimer's.

But the Sealand saga is far from over. His wife Joan is now expected to take over the rule of the self proclaimed nation. Also, with Sealand is managed by the Bates family as if it were a recognised sovereign entity, and they are its hereditary royal rulers. Bates son is known as "His Royal Highness Prince Michael." He has also been referred to as the "Prince Regent" by the Bates family since 1999. In this role, he apparently serves as Sealand's acting "Head of State" and also its "Head of Government". Also, at a micro nations conference hosted by the University of Sunderland in 2004, Sealand was represented by Michael Bates' son James, who was

referred to as "Prince Royal James".

Butr whomever takes on the leadership of Sealand,
one thing is fairly certain. Mounting a
DXpedition to Sealand in the hope of
establisghing it as a new DXCC entity, woyuld
likely be a very expensive waste of time.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline (On VK1WIA),
I'm Cheryl Lasik, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

FINAL FINAL

One of the most important DXpeditions of the year is about to start.

ZL9HR will be active from the UNESCO World Heritage Campbell Island
which is 650Km south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean. This
Sub-Antarctic island is sought after not only for DXCC and IOTA (OC-037)
awards but I have been informed by August HB9TZA, also for the World
Flora and Fauna radio award where the island has the reference ZLFF-019.
Please checkout www.wff44.org for details of that competition.

I am glad to report all plans are still on schedule and ZL9HR will be
active on all bands from 160m to 6m from November 28th to December 9th.
from Campbell Island. Here's hoping for mild weather and good
propagation for the event. As always please refer to the DXpeditions
website zl9hr.com for all details and latest updates.

Thanks, this is Ed VK2JI Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

Nov 10 VK2 Westlake's ARC BBQ & car boot sale York St Teralba 12 midday.

NOV 11 VK3 Yarra Valley Amateur Radio Group Hamfest

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

DEC 1 VK7 Miena Hamfest

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

NOV 3 VK5 HamFest Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society 2 Goodwood.

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to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
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Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1839 - November 9 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1839 with a release date of November 9, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The German Space Agency nixes a ham radio mission to Mars but AMSAT-DL is not giving up on launching the probe. Also Ireland's national amateur radio society takes a stand against a proposed pan-European broadband over powerline standard and a Los Angeles radio personality says he will donate a kidney to a station engineer. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1839 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: GERMAN SPACE AGENCY REJECTS AMSAT DL MARS MISSION

Germany's space exploration plans will not support a proposed ham radio mission to the red planet. We have more in this report:

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After five years of discussions and negotiations with the German space agency, AMSAT-DL reports that nation's space exploration group has withdrawn its support for the amateur satellite organization's plan to send a ham radio satellite to Mars. This is the so-called P 5 or Phase 5 satellite mission.

According to the AMSAT News Service, the agency advised the group that P5's mission was not financially feasible. Also that compared with the current Mars missions the scientific attraction was simply not there. You can read that as being of insufficient interest to the formal scientific research community.

The decision by the German Space Agency also affects plans for a geostationary Earth-orbiting ham radio satellite. This being the so called Phase 3 E which was to be part of the overall P 5 program. None of this is good news for amateur radio's future exploration of the final frontier.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Burt Hicks, in Los Angeles.

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AMSAT-DL officials sat that they are not giving up hope for these missions. They note that their organization recently had some interesting meetings in China adding that if it cannot do rocket science in Germany, that it will have to look for other countries. (ANS)

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RADIO POLITICS: IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE IN HO CHI MINH CITY

Delegates are likely preparing to return home from the International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 conference that was held in Ho Chi Minh City from November 5th to the 9th. This 15th triennial conference was hosted by the Vietnam Amateur Radio Club and was themed emergency communications as reflected in the frequent disasters that involve amateur radio communications.

In seeking to standardize privileges and licensing, the organizations directors have asked that consideration be given to one of their papers. This is one that explores issues facing amateur radio societies in working with their administration in the 21st century.

There were also reports from the IARU Region 1 and 2, from Region 3 member societies, Amateur Radio Direction Finding interests, the IARU Monitoring Service, along with beacon and satellite representatives. The delegates also talked about regional finances and the organizations constitution. (VK3PC)

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RADIO LAW: IRTS ANNOUNCES OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED EUROPEAN PLT STANDARD

Ireland's Irish Radio Transmitters Society is the latest national ham radio organization to line up in opposition to a newly proposed pan-European draft digital Power Line or PLT transmission standard. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, has more:

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Following the news last week that the German National Society, DARC, now opposes a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard, we have heard that the Irish Radio Transmitters Society, like the RSGB, also opposes the standard.

In their magazine they say that "the draft Standard accepts that the PLT devices do not, in effect, meet the essential requirements of the EMC Directive as it prescribes measures to mitigate interference by permanently or dynamically excluding frequencies in the amateur, aeronautical mobile and broadcast bands."

The IRTS Committee took the unanimous view that it would not be appropriate to support a draft Standard that sought only to protect selective sensitive frequencies in the HF spectrum without regard to the levels of interference that could be caused by the equipment concerned on the remainder of the HF spectrum.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, in Nottingham in the United Kingdom.

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As previously noted here on Amateur Radio Newsline, this new standard concerns the devices that people install in their homes to run data over their house wiring. It has nothing to do with PLC or BPL data that is carried over the over company powerline networks. (GB2RS)

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RESCUE RADIO: CANADIAN RADIO CLUB WANTS WEATHER TRANSMITTER IN MINDEN

A Canadian amateur radio club is lobbying for a new severe weather alert transmitting station in the county it serves. The Minden Times reports that on October 26th the Minden Amateur Radio Club members of the club which is one of the oldest in Haliburton County, gathered for their weekly meeting. At that time club President Dorian Young, VE3YBG, put forth the idea of getting a transmitter in Minden for the purpose of emergency weather alert situations.

One of the special guests at the gathering was Gord Maybee of Weatheradio Canada who connected the group via a conference call to Denis Paquette of Environment Canada. Paquette told the group the average amount of time it takes to get a transmitter is two years, after specifics such as scouting a location and installation are factored in.

At the meeting VE3YBG noted that there have been two weather emergencies in the past few years, one being a massive snowstorm and a the other wind storm. He noted that with Minden hosting the Pan Am Games in 2015 it would be a wonderful addition to have a weather transmitter in the area. Young added that the radio club is eager to make this happen.

Currently, the closest transmitter is in Orillia, however, members of the club argued Haliburton County does not receive adequate or timely information from that location. While there used to be a transmitter in nearby Algonquin Park that unit is no longer operational.

More is on-line at tinyurl.com/minden-weather-radio (Minden Times, Minden Amateur Radio Club)

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RESCUE RADIO: CLARK COUNTY NEVADA DROPS HARRIS DESERT SKY RADIO SYSTEM

After two years of battling dropped calls and dead zones in the department's new radio system, Nevada's Clark County Sheriff Doug Gillespie has opted to drop the Harris Desert Sky police radio system.

On October 11th, Gillespie informed the Chief Executive Officer of Harris Corporation that his company's Desert Sky radio system cannot meet his department's needs.

Unveiled in the summer of 2010, the $42 million Desert Sky digital system is based on Harris' OpenSky digital communications technology. While Desert Sky's data capabilities have seen mixed results, the voice communication between officers is the bigger problem. Gillespie says that while things have improved in the past two years, the system still is not up to the standard for an agency whose officers talk on the radio 50,000 times every day.

The most common complaints are common among patrol officers who say the faulty system endangers their lives. In his statement Sheriff Gillespie noted that he believed that his department had given Harris every opportunity to make the system work, but it's just not reliable. The full story is on-line at tinyurl.com/DesertSkyDumped. Clark County, Nevada encompasses the city of Las Vegas and surrounding areas. (CGC, Las Vegas Review Journal)

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INTERNATIONAL LAW: INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPONS MAY SOON BE PASSED OUT IN THE USA

International Reply Coupons may soon be a thing of the past. At least here in the United States with word that the U.S. Postal Service has proposed doing away with them due to what it says is a very low demand.

The Postal Service says that even if it stops selling International Reply Coupons that it will continue to accept those purchased in foreign countries and presented at its U.S. facilities.

International Reply Coupons have long been a staple in the DX community used to help offset the cost of DX'ers to provide QSL cards especially from some of the words rarer DX locations. They have also been used to assist hams in nations where sending in foreign currency is not allowed. (USPS, QRZ)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Cal-Net Link serving all of California.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS SHOULD NOT SELF DEPLOY FOR HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF

The ARRL is warning hams who want to assist those regions affected by Hurricane Sandy to not self-deploy to those areas. According to the League there are many ARRL Sections involved and each has different requirements as to how they locate, credential and deploy volunteers. If a need for manpower is identified that cannot be met locally or in a given ARRL Section, its leadership may contact other ARRL Sections for

assistance. If the need is still not met, Section leadership may then contact ARRL Headquarters for the needed assistance. But the bottom line is that you not go to any devastated area unless you are specifically asked to do so. (ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: UNSUNG HEROES OF THE VoIP HURRICANE NET

Some of the most important messaging during Hurricane Sandy or any other hurricane was handled by the unsung heroes of the VoIP Hurricane Net. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is here with their story:

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They truly are the unsung heroes of ham radio that few in the hobby know about. But they do the kind of volunteer work that is needed to assist the National Weather Service and other served agencies when disaster is near. And during Hurricane Sandy their contributions were immense. Take a listen:

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Net audio: "WB1BOX from N1OU. Seeing a dramatic increase in the amount of wires down, trees taking out transformers and powerlines here in the city of Meriden Connecticut."

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That's the sound of the sound of the VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Nets. Their primary objective is to help save lives and property thru the identification and field evaluation of threatening or dangerous weather conditions. At the same time facilitate the timely gathering and dissemination of this information.

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Net audio: "We are very concerned about Rhode Island for coastal storm surge flooding basically from the Dartmouth -New Bedford area West is our big concern coming up here. So we are going to try to do the best we can to try to get some data. A lot of those areas are going to be closed off so we are going to see what we can come up with to gather data there that I know is extremely critical."

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The VoIP SKYWARN and Hurricane Nets operate by combining both Echolink and IRLP linked repeater networks over the Internet. This they say provides for more efficient and effective utilization of available resources while handling critical wide area communications during major severe weather events.

To learn more about the efforts of the VoIP Hurricane Net, you are invited to join the VOIP-WXNET Yahoo Group or visit voipwx.net on the

World Wide Web.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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More on Hurricane Sandy and ham radio relief efforts in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ARNewsline)

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RADIO LAW: FCC TURNS DOWN PETITION TO CHANGE RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTENT IN MESSAGE FORWARDING SYSTEMS

The FCC has denied a petition to change Part 97.219 of the Amateur Service rules filed by Rolan O. Clark, W3FDK, of Adamstown, Maryland. This regarding the responsibility of control operators in message forwarding systems for retransmitted messages that violate the Commission's rules. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Embee, KB3TZD, has the details:

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In his rule making request, Rolan O. Clark, W3FDK, had asked that the phrase - quote -- "except as noted in paragraph (d) of this section, for stations participating in a message forwarding system" be removed from Section 97.219(c) and that Section 97.219(d) be removed completely.

In his filing, Clark stated that he believed that the control operator of the first forwarding station in a message forwarding system - quote -- "should have the same standing as the control operator of a repeater that inadvertently retransmits communications that violate the rules. This, because the intent to accomplish communications consisting of text and/or voice communications is the same.

Clark also claimed that Section 97.219 (d) is ambiguous as it gives no direction to the method and degree of processes and or procedures needed to define the degree of authentication. He said that it implies that there would have to be a visually obtainable copy of the suspected violation otherwise it becomes hearsay.

Clark proposed to address these differences between a message forwarding system and a repeater by conforming Section 97.219 to Section 97.205(g). Specifically, he suggested requiring that the originator of a message that is entered into a message forwarding system be the only licensee responsible for its content.

But in its November 5th ruling turning down Clark's rule change petition the FCC noted that it had considered and rejected requirements such as he proposed when it adopted the message forwarding system rules back in 1994. It went on to say that Clark's present petition did not demonstrate or even suggest that any relevant circumstances have

changed such as to merit reconsideration of this decision. As such the Commission says that Clark's current proposal does not demonstrate that revising this rule would provide the ongoing oversight of message forwarding systems that must be present. To the contrary, the regulatory agency suggests that Clark's proposal asks for an accommodation for message forwarding systems that commenter's said should not apply to these systems.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Embee, KB3TZD, in Berwyck, Pennsylvania.

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At airtime its unknown if Clark plans to appeal the Commissions dismissal of his rule making request. (FCC)

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RADIO PRODUCTS: NEW HT WITH GSM PHONE NOT LEGAL IN USA

A mainland China company called Puxing has announced what might be the ultimate in hand held two-way gear, but the chances are that you will never see one in the United States. At least not legally and the reason for this is simple.

The PX-D03 combines a GSM cellular telephone with a dual-band two-way radio and as a bonus can also be used as an MP3 player for your favorite tunes. And under the current FCC rules, combining a two-way radio with a cellphone makes the unit illegal to import, buy, sell or use in the U-S-A or its possessions.

According to the specifications posted on-line by one China-based mail order retailer, the PX-D03 covers 136 to174 and 400 to 470 MHz as a full dual band two-way transceiver with a total of 128 memory channels. It can be computer programmed and features what Puxing calls a human-based operational interface.

On the cellphone side, the GSM-based unit carries dual S-I-M cards, has text messaging, and a built-in front-facing camera. And if that were not all, the unit also contains an FM radio that receives the 87.5 to 108 MHz broadcast band, the afore mentioned MP3 player plus other entertainment including several games.

As being advertised, the PX-D03 comes with a 3.7v Lithium-Ion battery, a charging stand and power supply for the country the purchaser lives in; two antennas, a soft case and a remote plug in earpiece. According to one of the websites advertising the unit, the total cost is $151 shipped world-wide. (Southgate)

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RADIO FUNDING: DX MAGAZINE ASKS HOW TO GET INCREAEED FUNDING FOR RXPEDITIONS

The current issue of DX Magazine features an article titled Dealing With the Skyrocketing Costs of DXpeditions and is is asking its readers for their ideas on how to increase the level of funding for future major DX operations

Carl Smith, N4AA, is the Editor and Publisher of the DX Magazine. He says that major DXpeditions to entities in the top ten most wanted list can cost $500,000 or more to activate. This poses a major fund raising challenge to organizers, especially with costs rising rapidly for such big ticket items as transportation, licensing, and permits.

Specific costs are documented in the article appearing in the November-December issue. Smith said that DXer's and others are invited to send their ideas to the DX Magazine, which will be reporting the results in a future issue. All suggestions are welcome, and may be either anonymous or identified by the contributor's name and call.

If you want to lend your thoughts to solving this problem please send your ideas and comments to the DXpedition Costs Survey, % Dee Logan, W1HEO, 9901 Cypress Circle, Mentor, Onio, 44060. E-mail submissions to deverelogan (at) gmail (dot) com are also welcome. (DX Magazine, Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NEWSLINE'S WA6ITF TO APPEAR ON ECHOLINK NET NOV. 17

Amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, will be the featured guest on the Saturday night, November 17th edition of the Echolink Newsline Net. The net meets every Saturday at 9 p.m. Eastern on the Dodropin conference server which is Echolink Node number 355800. According to Steve Sercrest, W8WFO, this is not the original name for the gathering. Rather, because it's been running our weekly report for such a long time that those signing in began calling it the Amateur Radio Newsline or Newsline network.

Again, you are welcome to join in the net conference at Echolink node 355800 on Saturday night, November 17th at 9 p.m. Eastern to hear Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, talk about numerous things in ham radio and do is best to answer your questions. Bill says he hopes to meet many of you there. (W8WFO)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: MORE TESTING AT WWVB

WWVB, the 60 kHz station most often used as our nation's time and frequency standard, is continuing to test its phase modulated mode and may switch between their legacy AM mode and their new phase modulated mode in the days and weeks ahead. Stay tuned and keep listening on 60 kHz for their ongoing experiments. (CGC, WWVB)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: OZ7IGY NEXT GENERATION 6 AND 2 METER BEACONS ON THE AIR FROM DENMARK

The first two Next Generation Beacons have come to the airwaves. On October 30th the latest two OZ7IGY came to 6 and 2 meters from Slettebjerg, Denmark.

OZ7IGY is the world's oldest beacon system in the world having begun operation in the International Geophysical Year in 1957. From its start on 144 MHz it has ever since been on air continuously. Now the newest beacons can be heard on 50.46973 MHz and 144.46973 MHz respectively.

And by way of background, the Next Generation Beacon platform is open to other users and the software can easily be adapted to other modulation types and sequences. And as the new platform is frequency and time locked to GPS signals the frequency accuracy is better than 5 milli-Hertz.

More information is on the web at www.oz7igy.dk. (GB2RS)

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RADIO IN SPACE: SPOT THE ISS SERVICE FROM NASA

A new service from NASA called Spot the Station will send you a text message when the International Space Station is within visual range of your house.

The service will only notify users if the station is easily visible above trees, buildings, and other objects. Spot the Station will calculate the station's proximity to more than 4,600 positions on Earth, updating its information several times each week.

The International Space Station is usually at peak visibility at dawn and dusk. When skies are clear, it typically appears as fast-moving point of light.

You can sign up for the service on line by visiting spotthestation.nasa.gov. (NASA, N6ZXJ)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: STILL NO SIGNAL FROM F1 CUBESAT

There have still been no confirmed reception reports since the F-1 amateur radio CubeSat was deployed from the International Space Station

on 4th October. Its command team is now focusing on reception of the backup UHF transmitter on 437.485 MHz, plus or minus 10 kHz Doppler shift.

This FM beacon should transmit Morse code for 20 seconds every minute during the satellites daylight. The team would appreciate any reports of the beacon be sent by email to thuvt (at) fpt (dot) edu dot) vn. Further information on F1 can be found at www.amsat-uk.org. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FIRST TIME EVER INDIA TO ISS STUDENT CONTACT

A group of students in Gujarat, India will reach out to the stars. For the first time in that nation's history about 500 students will have a live chat with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, the Indian-origin astronaut aboard the International Space Station, using an amateur radio station at the Science City facility in Ahmedabad.

Ravi Saxena is an Assistant Chief Secretary of the Department of Science and Technology. He says that because Williams has roots in India, it is all the more special to them.

The contact is currently slated for November 14, celebrated as Children's Day in India. To arrange this Q-S-O, India's scientific community from the state of Ahmedabad contacted NASA soon after Williams set off for her record-breaking journey in July of this year. (WIA)

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ON THE AIR: THE 850 BIRTHDAY OF CHINGGIS

On the air keep an ear open for special event callsigns with a J-U-850 prefix that will be on the air November 14th to the 21st from Mongolia. This to celebrate 850th birthday emperor Chinggis Khan.

A Chinggis Khan Award will be issued free to those who make three contacts with three different event callsigns. These include JU850AA, JU850DA, JU850DN and can be made using any mode on any band. If you make contact with any of the commemorative JU850 stations please QSL via the information found for each call on QRZ.com.

By way of background, Chinggis Kahn, called in some parts of the world as Genghis Khan, came to power by uniting many of the nomadic tribes of Northeast Asia. In the year 1207 he was the founder and great leader of the Mongol Empire, which became the largest contiguous empire in history after his demise in 1227. (JT1CS)

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In DX, word that JH1AJT will be on the air from Bhutan through the 15th of November as A5A He will be active on 40 through 10 meters using

various modes. QSL via home call

ARRL Awards Branch Manager Bill Moore, NC1L, has announced that the August 2012 VU7M Lakshadweep Islands and the ZD9UW operation from Tristan Da Cunha and Gough have been approved for DXCC credit. If you worked them feel free to submit your cards for DXCC checking for these two.

R4WAA will be active from Dominican Republic November 21st to the 30th signing stroke HI7. He will be working on 40 through 10 meters and will definitely be on for the CQ World Wide DX CW Contest November 24th and 25th. QSL via home call call direct or via the bureau.

G7COD will be on the air 8Q7AK from Embudu Island in the Maldives for three weeks in February of 2013. He's expected to be operating holiday style on 30, 17 and 12 meters using CW and SSB. QSL him also via his home callsign, direct or via the bureau.

DF2WO is currently operational from Cape Verde as D-44-T-W-O. He is reported to be active on the High Frequency Bands. QSL via his home call

Lastly, SP5EAQ will be active from Tongatapu Island in the Kingdom of Tonga 26 from March 26th to April 16th as A3EAQ He will be operational on 80 through 10 meters using SSB. QSL via SP5EAQ.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A TRUE ACT OF TRUE HUMANITY

And finally this week, it isn't often that you hear a story like this, but when you do it makes one proud to be a member of the human race. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW reports:

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Gene "Bean" Baxter is a personality of CBS Radio's KROQ-FM in Los Angeles. He has entertained L.A. audiences since 1990 alongside on-the-air partner Kevin Ryder, as part of the "Kevin and Bean" morning show team.

In addition to making a multitude of over the air friends, Bean, as he is known, has also created longstanding relationships with those inside the KROQ offices. In that vein he recently announced that he will become a kidney donor to help a longtime staffer. The recipient of Bean's generosity will be Scott Mason, N1CBS, who is the Director of Engineering for CBS radio on the West Coast, and who has been with the company in a variety of capacities since 1979.

On November 13th, the two will go to Cedars Sinai Medical Center which is one of only four hospitals in the country that have the ability to match Mason's blood type to that of Bean and give him the much needed

organ. Bean then plans to take a few weeks off from work, and expects his remaining kidney to function at about 80%.

Out of this whole process, Bean hopes that people will see how easy it is to become an organ donor. He also believes that if he recovers quickly and is back to work in a short time, it may deliver an even stronger message, changing the minds of some and raising awareness of organ donation.

This will be the second transplant for Mason, who has had kidney problems for most of his adult life. He underwent a previous transplant from a cadaver in 1999 that lasted about 10 years. He currently undergoes daily dialysis and calls Bean's decision to donate a kidney to him as a game changer. Bean Baxter calls it a no-brainer.

Wishing them both Mason and Bean a quick recovery from this upcoming and life changing surgery, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Scott Mason has been on a waiting list for a kidney, which sometimes is a six to 10 year wait, when Bean offered his kidney. For Bean Baxter, it was an educational process and a decision based on math, not emotions. He said that Mason has zero kidneys and that he has two. You can hear the full discussion with Bean Baxter and Scott Mason on Kevin and Bean audio archive at tinyurl.com/radio-kidney-donation

(RBR, KROQ Audio Archive, ARNewsline)

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With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's WIA News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in Vero Beach, Florida, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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2223. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 9 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-09 13:16:47 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e81f06c709204ce0ef762@google.com>
Source record: 1690
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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China name change and focus

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6FjLCXhVJa0/china_name_change_and_focus
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With about 50,000 radio amateurs, the modern country with a quarter of the
world's population is adopting the new name of the Chinese Radio Amateur
Club (CRAC), and going is compulsory membership of a sports-orientated body

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IARU Region 3 Conference ends

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1whmTnv11H4/iaru_region_3_conference_en
ds.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hosted by the Vietnam Amateur Radio Club (VARC), the well-attended
triennial regional conference has ended with 16 regional societies having
representation and more than 80 delegates and observers

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HamRadioNow - Hurricane Sandy follow-up

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0KHxIKvWNnQ/hurricane_sandy_follow_up.h
tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this episode Gary KN4AQ interviews John Zarube K2ZA, Southern New Jersey
SEC and ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey KI1U

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NZ4O 'Weekly' MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jECCCg5MvNU/2012_46.htm?utm_source=feed
burner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O "Weekly" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-46 has
been published on Friday November 09, 2012

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Interview with Gadget Show TV Presenter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kGeExWDnUBM/interview_with_gadget_show_tv_presenter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Pete Sipple M0PSX interviewed TV's Pollyanna Woodward, who together with
Jason Bradbury 2E0JAB, present the flagship Channel 5 Gadget Show

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Battle continues over amateur radio antenna restrictions in NSW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SVxWsD_LtYY/amateur_radio_antenna_restrictions_in_nsw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The battle over NSW planning restrictions on amateur radio antenna masts
continues apace

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Cincinnati 'liar' recalls broadcasting role during WWII

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/anVQQzc0xUc/cincinnati_liars.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The greatest compliment Clyde Haehnle may have ever gotten was when Adolf
Hitler called him a liar

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Student builds mobile phone from parts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DOKie6TyHJk/student_builds_mobile_phone_from_parts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David Mellis, a PhD student at MIT has published the circuit and case
designs and the source code for a working mobile phone that he built using
parts worth $150 (£93)

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Antarctica - Indian Base 'Bharati'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/khGAyhg5VR0/antarctica_indian_base_bharati.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gianni, I1HYW, has informed OPDX that Bhagwati Prasad is still active as
VU3BPZ/P from the new Indian Base 'Bharati' (WAP IND-04) in Antarctica,
until November 22-23rd

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OSSI CubeSat in New Scientist Magazine

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eSQxy0fIXwY/ossi_cubesat_in_new_scientist_magazine.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hojun Song DS1SBO, who recently gave a presentation in London about his
OSSI CubeSat, is featured in New Scientist

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K1ZZ - History of amateur radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_fAq9Txr_90/k1zz_history_of_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL's Dave Sumner K1ZZ spoke at the Pacificon 2012 banquet dinner and
gave an interesting history of amateur radio

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ISS school contact received in Faroe Islands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6aw-KXe9SM4/iss_school_contact_received_in_faroe_islands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jan Egholm OY3JE managed to pick up part of a school contact with the ISS
on 145.800 MHz FM while in his car just outside of Torshavn in the Faroe
Islands

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

2224. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 9 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-09 17:18:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc37623ccc304ce132557@google.com>
Source record: 1691
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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B-17 "City of Savannah" Veterans Day Special Event Station WW2COS on Nov 10th

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 03:49 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367704-B-17-quot-City-of-Savannah-quot-Veterans-Day-Special-Event-Station-WW2COS-on-Nov-10th&goto=newpost

B-17 "City of Savannah" Special Event Station WW2COS on Nov 10 for Veterans Day

The Coastal Amateur Radio Society in Savannah, GA will be operating special event station WW2COS from the radio compartment of the B-17 bomber "City of Savannah" to celebrate Veterans Day on Nov 10th. We will be operating a combination of vintage and modern radio gear and will be streaming live video from the compartment. QSL information and link for video stream can be found at our QRZ.com entry for WW2COS. Video feed can be seen at k4gtm.blogspot.com.

We will scroll the current operating frequency across the video feed.

>Date: Nov. 10, 2012

Time: 1000 til 1700 EST

Location: Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum in Pooler, GA

2225. eHam.net News for Friday 9 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-09 23:07:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447888dc03ca504ce18024e@google.com>
Source record: 1692
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #45 de K7RA:

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 07:03 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29314

Again this week solar activity retreated. Average daily sunspot
numbers declined 8.7 points to 49.7, and average daily solar flux
was down nearly 20 points to 97.2. The latest forecast (from Thursday,
November 8) shows solar flux at
105 and 110 on November 9-10, 115 on November 11-17, 110 on November
18-20, 105 and 100 on November 21-22, 105 on November 23-24, and 100
on November 25-26. Flux values then drop below 100 on November 27
through December 2.

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Wellington High Student Makes an Important Call -- to Space:

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 12:31 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29313

It isn't every day that one gets to interact with an astronaut traveling
17,000 miles per hour nearly 261 miles above Earth on the International
Space Station using a ham radio. But that is just what 11 students and two
teachers from throughout Palm Beach County did on Oct. 30 at the South
Florida Science Museum when they spoke to astronaut Akihiko Hoshide.

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Unsung Operators:

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 12:29 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29312

I was contacted by several ham operators who read your recent article
regarding Hurricane Sandy response by the Southern Regional High School
shelter workers. As always, the media fail to mention the fact that amateur
radio has been positioned in this event since the first winds kicked up and
has been positioned in the Red Cross shelters as operators 24/7. Many of us
have also lost our homes and power and sacrificed like many others, but we
continue to volunteer because the shelters have requested our presence.

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ARNewsline Report 1839 -- Nov 9 2012:

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 12:36 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29311

The following is a QST. The German Space Agency nixes a ham radio mission to Mars but AMSAT-DL is not giving up on launching the probe. Also Ireland's national amateur radio society takes a stand against a proposed pan-European broadband over powerline standard and a Los Angeles radio personality says he will donate a kidney to a station engineer. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1839 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #46:

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 07:30 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29310

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

2226. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 9 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-10 03:27:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc376aa781204ce1ba6e7@google.com>
Source record: 1693
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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ARNewsline Report 1839 -- Nov 9 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 08:37 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFYCqSXIVi8Quo6YLS27XhVzbDpkQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29311

ARNewsline Report 1839 -- Nov 9 2012:
eHam.net
After five years of discussions and negotiations with the German space agency, AMSAT-DL reports that nations space exploration group has withdrawn its support for the amateur satellite organizations plan to send a ham radio satellite to Mars. This is ...

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Radio club recreates historical chess match - Texas A&M The Battalion

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 12:44 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE5jSiUuOMj64xKGUftdo6iqrKjhA&url=http://www.thebatt.com/radio-club-recreates-historical-chess-match-1.2949116

Radio club recreates historical chess match
Texas A&M The Battalion
On March 23, 1973, the chess clubs of Texas A&M and the University of Texas competed with the assistance of their campus amateur radio club. On Nov. 11, this event will be re-created with a chess match between teams from Texas A&M and the University of ...

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Battle continues over amateur radio antenna restrictions in NSW - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 11:43 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFA3u52WBabUIxuDg73Wo1TIUAc3A&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/amateur_radio_antenna_restrictions_in_nsw.htm

Battle continues over amateur radio antenna restrictions in NSW
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Sydney Morning Herald that theyre not planning any changes to amateur radio aerial regulation. A spokesman told journalist Nicole Hasham from the Sydney Morning Herald that allowing higher aerials without a detailed development application process ...

2227. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 10 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-10 11:48:25 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced1b335c704ce22a46d@google.com>
Source record: 1694
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Successful ARISS contact for schools in Govone, Priocca and Diano d'Alba,
Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CPsxrh5QEd8/ariss_event_success_0811.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Thursday November 8, 2012 at 12.04 UTC, which is 13.04 CEST, students
from Institute Comprehensive in Govone, Nino Costa Middle school in Priocca
and Institute Comprehensive in Diano d’Alba, Italy established ARISS
contact with JAXA astronaut Akihiko Hoshide KE5DNI onboard the
International Space Station

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SOTAbeams expands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v1BKj1ZOa74/sotabeams_expands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Since opening its improved webstore a few weeks ago, SOTAbeams has rapidly
expanded its range of goods

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Ham Nation 72: Bob's Organ Transplant

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_EJP91qbxZY/ham_nation_72.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This week's episode of ham Nation covers the importance of ham radio in
natural disasters, and Bob plays his recently relocated organ

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The Monday Night Newbie Net

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HNI5pa9desw/the_monday_night_newbie_net.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Monday Night Net was launched by Pete M0PSX and Jim 2E0RMI to give a
group of recent M6 Foundation licence holders someone to talk to

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RSGB Board proceedings released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z7Rq4s8ZAaE/rsgb_board_proceedings_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has released the board proceedings for September 4 that contains
an update on the Newcomers e-publication

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SSTV from the International Space Station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/s2nYWylJbKE/sstv_from_the_international_space_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Essex Ham site reports on reception of Slow Scan TV from the ISS on
145.800 MHz FM that took place on Friday, November 9

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ARRL Atlantic Division presents 'Virtual' Convention

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1iSJ8ts9d3U/arrl_atlantic_division_presents_virtual_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL report that the Atlantic Division Leadership is turning the
traditional convention model on its head!

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AjZ9G2nhysY/iaru_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU Region 1 Monitoring Service reports that French radar is again
active on 7000, 14000, 14250, 21000 kHz using a 20 kHz wide burst system

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Lymington Foundation Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g48qq4HVqG8/lymington_foundation_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A two day foundation course is due to start in Lymington, Hampshire at 9 am
on Sunday, November 25

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International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9_Pf2uN7mGw/international_day_of_persons_with_disabilities.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

IARU Region 1 report that on December 3, 2012, the World will be observing the International Day of Persons with Disabilities

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Ham Radio club recreates historical chess match

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aNDBqWqjV9Y/ham_radio_club_recreates_historical_chess_match.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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SIARC inaugural meeting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qPYn5o3r0YI/siarc_inaugural_meeting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The newly formed Solomon Island Amateur Radio Club H44A will have its inaugural meeting this coming Sunday at 03.00z and will be active on the air to demonstrate ham radio and kick things off in the Solomons

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2SEJ-w1zO6I/045_november_10.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Again this week solar activity retreated. Average daily sunspot numbers declined 8.7 points to 49.7, and average daily solar flux was down nearly 20 points to 97.2

2228. SARL News in English 10/11/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-10 16:21:53 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <4AA041C9C7BA4D0D866CA57579434DBE@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1695
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 11 November 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it must be announced that the keys of three radio amateurs became silent recently. They are:

That of Joachim G�ldner, zs6ahj, on November 1 at the age of 84 years.
He was an honorary life member of the Centurio Amateur Radio Club.

That of Oppie Opperman, ZS1OP, on Sunday 4 November, at the age of 83. Oppie was since 1993 a member of the SARL and the Boland Amateur Radio Club.

The 3rd one is that of Pieter Botha, ZS4PB (old man Push Button) on the 7th. Pieter moved out to his farm some time back to be with his beloved "rooi beeste" but during the past few months his health deteriorated.

Our sincerest condolences to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

T0DAY IS REMEMBRANCE DAY

IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MET IN VIETNAM

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

T0DAY IS REMEMBRANCE DAY

At approximately 05:00 on Monday, 11th November 1918, 94 years ago today, the Armistice was signed in a railway carriage of Marshall Foch's special train located in the forest at Rethondes on the western front in France. At 11:00 on this Monday the 11th November 1918, the roar of guns ceased and peace and silence finally descended on the western front, ending the First World War. It is estimated that close to 9,5 million soldiers, sailors and airmen of all sides died in the Great War.

Every second Sunday in November the SARL remembers all those who lost their lives in defence of their country in a special church service transmitted in the second half of Amateur Radio Today. The service will be first transmitted at 10:40 CAT on 11 November. The service will conducted in Afrikaans and English by Dominee Jan Kramer, ZS6JRK. Thanks to Marten, ZS6ZY, for the arrangements. All amateur radio stations are requested to observe radio silence as a mark of respect.

Clubs wishing to transmit the service on their local repeater or on HF can download the audio file from www.sarl.org.za, select Amateur Radio Today from the left hand menu and follow the links.

IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEET IN VIETNAM

The Administrative Council of the International Amateur Radio Union held its Annual Meeting November 2-4 November in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. The AC -- which consists of the three IARU International Officers and two representatives from each of the three IARU regional organizations -- is responsible for the policy and management of the IARU.

According to IARU Secretary Rod Stafford, W6ROD, the meeting was a somber occasion due to the passing of IARU Region 3 Chairman Michael J. Owen, VK3KI. Michael had been a member of the Administrative Council for most of its existence, and had been a longtime contributor to the efforts of IARU to promote and preserve Amateur Radio.

The Administrative Council acted on the following items:

The Council reviewed the successes achieved at the 2012 World Radio Communication Conference including the new secondary allocation at 472-479 kHz to the Amateur Radio Service, the avoidance of frequency sharing with HF radiolocation services and an agenda item for WRC-15 relating to an amateur allocation at 5 MHz.

The agenda items for WRC-15 were reviewed and initial IARU positions were formulated on the agenda items to the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services.

The working document that sets out the spectrum requirements of the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Services was reviewed and updated.

The AC received the final report of the IARU 2025 Committee. Due to the current economic climate, the Committee was unable to develop a viable financial model that would permit the implementation of its proposed

new organizational structure for the IARU. The Committee did complete proposed revisions to guidelines for the election of IARU President and Vice President; these were adopted by the AC.

The consultative process for the election of IARU President and Vice President was initiated for the 2014-2019 terms of office.

The International Telecommunication Union meetings where IARU representation will be required for the coming year were identified, and plans for representation at these meetings were reviewed.

The Michael J. Owen, VK3KI, Award was established to recognize an individual or individuals that best exemplify the dedication and hard work of IARU volunteers.

The Council reviewed the work of the Committee responsible for drafting an updated handbook for experts and representatives attending meetings on behalf of the IARU. The handbook will be completed by spring 2013 and will be distributed to IARU volunteers on completion.

The theme Amateur Radio: Entering Its Second Century of Disaster Communications was adopted for the next World Amateur Radio Day, April 18, 2013.

A revised IARU website was introduced. International Secretariat staff, along with ARRL Digital Content Coordinator Magdalena Owczarska, W1MGZ, was thanked for their efforts in revising the website.

Dale E. Hughes, VK1DSH, and Colin J. Thomas, G3PSM, were selected by the AC as IARU Technical Representatives. Technical Representatives represent the IARU at ITU and other international meetings.

The budget for 2013-2015 as presented by the International Secretariat was reviewed and adopted. The budget is based upon anticipated financial contributions from IARU Regions 1, 2 and 3 to defray a portion of the expenses, in accordance with previously adopted policy.

The report of the Monitoring System Committee (MSC) was reviewed and accepted. With the establishment of the MSC, the position of Monitoring System International Coordinator is no longer required. ARRL Field Regulatory Correspondent Chuck Skolaut K0BOG, who had served as the Monitoring System International Coordinator for the last four years, was thanked for his service.

Reports of the IARU International Coordinators and Advisers were received. They are International Beacon Project Coordinator Peter Jennings, AB6WM/VE3SUN; Satellite Adviser Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV; EMC Adviser Christian Verholt, OZ8CY; International Coordinator for Emergency Communications Hans Zimmermann, F5VKP/HB9AQS, and Monitoring System International Coordinator Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG.

The next scheduled in-person meeting of the AC will be held in the vicinity of Cancun, Mexico, in September 2013, in conjunction with the IARU Region 2 Conference.

CLUB AFFILIATION

This week 2 more clubs have affiliated with the SARL. We welcome Magalies Radioamateurklub and Noord Natal Amateurradioklub This brings the total number of affiliated clubs to 30. For a complete list of affiliated clubs go to the SARL web page and click on Club Talk.

COMPETITION NEWS

The ZS4SRK Heritage Day results were published and are as follows: 1 ZS4DZ 378 2 ZS6OY 198 3 ZS6MHH 192 15 Stations entered, and if weather had not been as bad in Durban, the ZS5D team would have won! Monday, 24 September, Heritage day turned out to be very strongly windy here in Durban making it unpleasant to operate from the proposed site on top of the Bluff. This is unusual weather for this time of the year.

Another station that made an effort was ZS6OY, they operated from Rand Airport Aviation Museum. Lovely QSL cards were sent out by them to all their contacts. Please answer all the QSL's you received, it is the best gift you can give a fellow radio amateur!

The heritage site in the Eastern Free State near Ficksburg also made history. This was the first time the Sandstone Estate hosted an amateur radio station. With the permission of Wilfred Mole, Johan van Zijl, ZS4DZ, operated the station from the farm. Sandstone Estate is a world heritage site that is most known for the impressive steam locomotive collection and railway that exist on the farm. Congratulation to Johan for taking the time and then also winning the contest!

The Sasolburg Radio Club contest committee thanks everyone for their participation. Certificates to all the entrants are being prepared. The certificates for the ZS4 Sprint are also being prepared to be mailed before the end of November.

Durban Amateur Radio Club 80 Metre QSO Party.

The results of the second leg of the 80 m QSO Party: 1st, Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT 385 points 2nd, Warren Reilly, ZS4W 315 points 3rd, Andre Le Roux, ZS1JEN 265 points

Results, 1st Leg and 2nd Leg combined for 2012: 1st Pieter Jacobs ZS6XT 815 2nd Warren Reilly ZS4W 315. 3rd Nic Dreyer ZS6NCK 310.

Congratulations to Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT.

The Senior Scout Cedarberg Adventure will be taking place from 10 to 22 December 2012. The SARL will host the Radio Base from Matjiesrivier. Contact Riaan, ZS4PR, if you would like to become part of the base staff. For further details send e-mail to zs4pr@qsl.net.

CLUB NEWS

The new committee for the Sasolburg Radio Club is: Chairman: Riaan Greef,f ZS4PR Vice-Chairman: Erich Jannasch, ZS4VW Secretary/Treasurer: Amanda Greeff, ZR6AGS QRX, SA-QSL and Contests: Jaco Le Roux, ZS6PX

Technical manager: Ockerd Taljaard, ZS4LZ

All of the best for the team that has been elected at the recent AGM held 2012:10:13.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the spell of low solar activity was broken during the week when a new sunspot unleashed an M1.7-class flare. There are also possibilities of further flaring.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 53.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequent 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 11 November - Pears HF DX contest. 17 November - SARL National Field Day will take place between 10:00 UTC on Saturday 17 November and 10:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November. 18 November - Log sheets for the RaDAR Contest to be in to Lichtenberg Amateur Radio Club (LARK), PO Box 410, Lichtenburg, 2740 or by email to zs6lrk@nwinternet.za.org.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 18:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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====================== Message Ends ====================== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2229. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 10 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-10 17:47:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646d8d791ef404ce27a84e@google.com>
Source record: 1696
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Nation 72: Bob's Organ Transplant

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 09:52 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367778-Ham-Nation-72-Bob-s-Organ-Transplant&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 72: Bob's Organ Transplant is available for download and viewing
at http://twit.tv/hn

Gordo discusses Ham radio's part in the Hurricane Sandy recovery, George
builds a set of Reference Monitors and more...

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1839 November 9 2012

Posted: 08 Nov 2012 06:05 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367716-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1839--November-9-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1839 ☐ November 9 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1839 with a release date of November
9, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The German Space Agency nixes a ham radio mission
to Mars but AMSAT-DL is not giving up on launching the probe. Also
Ireland☐s national amateur radio society takes a stand against a proposed
pan-European broadband over powerline standard and a Los Angeles radio
personality says he will donate a kidney to a station engineer. Find out
the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1839 coming your
way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: GERMAN SPACE AGENCY REJECTS AMSAT DL MARS MISSION

Germany☐s space exploration plans will not support a proposed ham radio
mission to the red planet. We have more in this report:

2230. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 10 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-10 17:58:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614fec52ca3004ce27d16b@google.com>
Source record: 1697
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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W8B - "Worlds Larges Cuckoo Clock" and "Brick Wall Sculpture Project"
Special Event

Posted: 10 Nov 2012 06:59 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367860-W8B-quot-Worlds-Larges-Cuckoo-Clock-quot-and-quot-Brick-Wall-Sculpture-Project-quot-Special-Event&goto=newpost

To celebrate the installation of the "Worlds Largest Cuckoo Clock" and the Sugarcreek Ohio Community Arts Council Brick Wall Sculpture Project, we are running a special event station Saturday and Sunday, November 10 and November 11, 2012.

We will QSL 100% to every contact, and we are also uploading the QSO's to LOTW after the event.

Please look for us on the Air from 10-NOV-2012 14:00 utc to 11-NOV-2012 05:00 utc and from 11-NOV-2012 14:00 utc to 12-NOV-2012 05:00 utc.

Please check out the QRZ listing for call sign W8B for more information and pictures. http://www.qrz.com/db/w8b

Thank you and 73 de AC8GE

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5X8C Uganda

Posted: 10 Nov 2012 12:00 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367842-5X8C-Uganda&goto=newpost

Members of F6KOP team and others will be active from Uganda 6-18 February 2013 as 5X8C

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/5x8c_uganda/

73 Al 4L5A

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USS SOUTH DAKOTA BB57 Museum and Memorial active on Veterans Day as "W0V"

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 06:31 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367824-USS-SOUTH-DAKOTA-BB57-Museum-and-Memorial-active-on-Veterans-Day-as-quot-W0V-quot&goto=newpost

The Battleship South Dakota BB57 Museum and Memorial located in Sioux Falls, SD.

(grid en23) will be active on Veterans Day 2012.

http://www.qrz.com/db/W0V

Look for "W0V" with primary ops on 40m and 20m. Secondary ops on 10/15 or 17m

as band condition and QRM allow. Thank you for your interest.

73

Mark Carlson

KB0NMQ

QSL MANAGER

www.kb0nmq.com

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expedition to LIGHTHOUSE Ivy CAP IVI ALG 013

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 02:06 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367551-expedition-to-LIGHTHOUSE-Ivy-CAP-IVI-ALG-013&goto=newpost

Algerian Association for amateur radio organize an expedition to LIGHTHOUSE Ivy CAP IVI ARLHS ALG-013 on the Mediterranean Sea west of Algiers on Thursday and Friday, 8 and 9 November 2012 as part of a festive Algeria fiftieth anniversary of the independence of

Mission of five amateur, I am one of them, and your call will be is 7T50I / P

all bande HF

TEAM : 7X2DE 7X2RO 7X2GK SWL MNOUER SWL SIDAHMED

LIGHTHOUSE CAP IVI

cao IVI.jpg

Approximate Coordinates

LAT: 36° 7.0' N

LON: 000° 14.0' E

GRID lOCATOR : jm06cc

Listed in the World List of Lights since

2006-06-01

Posted by

7x2GK Op:Kamel

Attached Images

cao IVI.jpg
(55.4 KB)

2231. eHam.net News for Saturday 10 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-11 00:21:17 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399c718e81a904ce2d290e@google.com>
Source record: 1698
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Radio Club Recreates Historical Chess Match:

Posted: 09 Nov 2012 04:28 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29315

The world is at the fingertips of students, only one click of the mouse or press of the button away. But for the students of Texas A and M University in 1973, the world wasn't so close. On March 23, 1973, the chess clubs of Texas A and M and the University of Texas competed with the assistance of their campus amateur radio club. On Nov. 11, this event will be re-created with a chess match between teams from Texas A and M and the University of Tennessee with the assistance of W5AC -- A and M 's amateur radio club -- and AA4UT, the University of Tennessee's.

2232. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 10 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-11 03:32:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced14b8a4004ce2fd479@google.com>
Source record: 1699
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Thinking about urban park possibilities, ham radio's comeback and more -
Las Vegas Weekly

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 05:11 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGUdsmGoR78808gPzEsiqfYUX7pmQ&url=http://www.lasvegasweekly.com/news/2012/nov/07/thinking-about-urban-park-possibilities-ham-radios/

Thinking about urban park possibilities, ham radios comeback and more
Las Vegas Weekly
When Sandy walloped the East Coast last week and everything went haywire, hospitals, shelters and the American Red Cross turned to amateur ham radio operators to assist in emergency communications. Come doomsday, its the ham radio clan that will ...

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Ham radio in use at city emergency shelter at Cheltenham High -
Philadelphia Daily News

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGf6S4LuG7ZgwgdRsw3E0p3R0Mkow&url=http://www.philly.com/philly/news/20121029_Ham_radio_in_use_at_city_emergency_shelter_at_Cheltenham_High.html

Philadelphia Daily News
Ham radio in use at city emergency shelter at Cheltenham High
Philadelphia Daily News
In addition to 100 cots, three prepared meals a day, a nurse, a mental-health professional and a generator, the shelter also has two volunteer amateur-radio operators working 12-hour shifts to provide emergency communications between the shelter and ...

2233. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 11 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-11 11:12:32 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f50348443229b04ce364242@google.com>
Source record: 1700
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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New for 2013 - The DES-Dipole rotating dipole from InnovAntennas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2UPNZDVcRyg/des_dipole_rotating_dipole_from_innovantennas.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NEW for 2013, the DES-Dipole. A multi-band rotating dipole with no traps, no coils, no matching devices in fact, No Power-Sapping 'heater' devices at all! This means maximum radiating efficiency. In other words, most of your power is transmitted rather then being lost somewhere

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ARISS school contact planned November 14, 2012. Downlink audible over Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/inlWBZy0A8U/ariss_event_1411.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned Wednesday 14 November with participants at Gujarat Council Of Science City, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India

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EANET Sprint Contest today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qP23FRsn46M/eanet_sprint_contest_this_sunday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Today, Sunday, November 11, from 08:00 to 12:00 UTC, radio amateurs and radio clubs all over the world, in a peaceful battle of just 4 hours, will populate the bands

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New Radio Wave Propagation Forecast Subscription Service

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i3kwFAop3yk/new_subscription_service.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

I am offering a new radio wave propagation forecast subscription service to amateur radio operators and shortwave radio listeners/DXers

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BBC Radio 2 - Amateur Radio Direction Finding

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S18Qo5h5G8c/bbc_radio2_amateur_radio_direction_finding.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur Radio Direction Finding world champion Bob Titterington G3ORY was
on the BBC Radio 2 Simon Mayo Drivetime show on Friday, Nov. 9 to talk
about Radio Orienteering

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/S2rUy6nyXJs/november_11.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the spell of low solar activity was
broken during the week when a new sunspot unleashed an M1.7-class flare.
There are also possibilities of further flaring

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Be the first EURAO member of your country

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gr_5_-wLrBQ/be_the_first_eurao_member_of_your_country.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Be the first EURAO member of your country and... get an extra year
membership for FREE!

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Video of PSK-31 presentation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KOadTOo-aQE/video_of_psk31_presentation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Randy Hall K7AGE gives a presentation on the PSK-31 data mode
to Pacificon 2012

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Vintage VHF National Field Day video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XhdwEG8pSWQ/vintage_vhf_national_field_day_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This vintage video shows the Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association (CARA)
VHF NFD at Leckhampton Hill in 1983

2234. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 11 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-11 18:17:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f23481591097d04ce3c330f@google.com>
Source record: 1501
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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100 years freedom of chios island

Posted: 10 Nov 2012 12:33 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367899-100-years-freedom-of-chios-island&goto=newpost

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF CHIOS ISLAND

****** 11-11 2012******

SZ8XIO SPECIAL EVENT FOR 100 YEARS FREEDOM OF CHIOS ISLAND FROM THE END OF
BALKAN WARS.

ACTIVE ON 40M 20M 17M 15M 12M 10M SSB AND BPSK31.

73 de SZ8XIO

2235. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1086

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-11 18:43:07 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <823453.6330.bm@smtp111.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1502
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1086
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1086

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1086
BID: $OPDX.1086
November 12, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, ARRL Letter, K1XN & GoList, NC1L, NJ1Q & W1AW, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, KI4MRH, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, KH6BZF, KL7JR, K8BL, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, AJ9C, W9ILY, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DL7UFR, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1HYW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, JA1TRC, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, PY7RP, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, VA3RJ & ICPO and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-November, through Sunday, 11th-November there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0S, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3A, MONACO (Update). Operators Max/ON5UR and Marc/ON8AK are now active as 3A/homecall from Monaco until November 17th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, SSB only and with one station (possibly two) on the air. QSL via

M0URX. They now have a Web page online at:
<www.united-radio.be/united-radio/en/home>

3W, VIETNAM. Ukrainian operators Serge/UU5WW, Pavel/UU0JR and Serge/UT5JCW will be active as a 3W2J from Vung Tau between November 22-28th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters and an entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Also, they will be watching for openings 6 meters. QSL via K2PF, direct or by using the OQRS on the ClubLog Web page. All QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW after the DXpedition. They will send bureau QSLs for all QSOs in the log sometime after the DXpedition. Please DON'T SEND your QSLs to them via the Bureau. For more details and a survey on band needs, see the 3W2J Web page at: http://www.3w2j.com

4K, AZERBAIJAN. Alim, 4K6FO, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via 4K6FO (see QRZ.com).

5T, MAURITANIA. Jean, ON8RA/5T0JL, at the age of 85, will once again be active from Nouakchott starting November 16th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/12 meters and mainly on CW. QSL via ON8RA (see QRZ.com for new QSLing practices). ADDED NOTE: Jean will also join the 5T0SP DXpedition team between November 24th and December 10th.

5X, UGANDA (2013/Update). Members of the F6KOP team expected to be active between February 6-18th, 2013, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport, have announced a callsign change. Instead of being active as 5X1C as first announced, they will now be active as 5X8C. For more details see OPDX.1081. An updated list of operators mentioned are Franck/F4AJQ (Team Leader), Seb/F5UFX (Team Leader, WebMaster), Alain/F6ENO (Team Leader), Bob/N6OX, Dave/K4SV, Michel/FM5CD, G&#65533;rard/F2JD, Uwe/DL8OBF, Francois/ON4LO,
Flo/F5CWU, Jean Jacques/F5NKX, Norbert/DJ7JC, Eric/ON7RN, Michel/F5EOT, John/F5VHQ, Jean Paul/F8BJI, Gerard/F2VX, Hans/DL1YFF, Valery/RG8K/UT7CR, Patrick/F2DX, Mike/UA9KGH, Jean-Marc/F8IXZ, Lars/DF1LON and Jean-Louis/ F5NHJ. Their pilot station will be Andre, V51B, from Namibia. Yann, F1NGP, will be their QSL Manager (100% OK Direct, ClobLog's OQRS, Bureau and LoTW). For more details and updates, see: http://www.5x2013.com

7P8, LESOTHO (Update to OPDX.1051/1077). An international team of operators will arrive in Lesotho on November 21st, and leave on December 4th. The operation will take place between November 23rd and December 3rd, using the callsign 7P8D. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY with a minimum of three stations (possibly 5 stations) on the air 24/7. Suggested frequencies are in OPDX.1077. It was announced this past week on their Web that "Well all the bags are packed and we are ready to go. We are proud to welcome as a late joiner to the group Bill, VE7XS. We are very excited and looking forward to getting the show on the road." QSL ONLY direct via: LESOTHO DXPEDITION 2012, P.O. Box 29169, Sunridge Park, 6008, SOUTH AFRICA (w/2 USDs - Please no IRC as it is difficult to convert at the post office). They state, "NO BUREAU QSLS will reach us!!" A OQRS system (PayPal) will also be implemented just before the expedition. Logs

will be uploaded to LoTW within 6 months after the DXpedition has ended. For more details, visit: http://www.zs2dl.co.za/7P8D.html

A3, TONGA. Members of the Yamato Amateur Radio Club will be active from Tonga with their own individual callsign until November 15th. Operators are Shigeo/JA1JQY (A31JY), Kaoru/JA3MCA (A31MA), Kunio/JA8VE (A31VE) and Nakayama/JA1KJW (A31KJ). This is bascially the same group that operated from Bhutan in June. Activity will be on 160-10 using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

A5, BHUTAN (Update). By the time you read this, Zorro, JH1AJT, should be active as A5A until November 15th. OPDX was informed that before Zorro left for Bhutan, he cracked a bone in his left wrist while he was packing the equipment. This may cause some limitations to his antenna construction while in Bhutan. Activity will be on 40-10 meters but with limited spare time operations. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

A641, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Look for special event station A641ND to be on the air to celebrate the 41st anniversary of independence (December 2nd, 1971) and National Day of the United Arab Emirates. QSL via IZ8CLM.

C5, The GAMBIA. Pedro, ON7WP/AA9HX, will be active as C5WP from The Gambia between November 11-18th. He is part of a locally managed tourist organization there. Activity will be on 40-6 meters SSB with a an IC-706 running 50 watts into dipoles or an MP1 vertical located close to the Atlantic Ocean. Suggested frequencies are: 7145, 14345, 18145, 21345, 24945 and 28445 kHz. He is planning future operations. QSL direct only via ON7WP.

D3, ANGOLA. After a two week vacation in the Maldives, Mike, UA1QV, will be heading back to work in Vila de Catoca (LOC KI00dn), about 30 km from Saurimo, the capital of the province Lunda Sul, Angola, starting November 15th. He will once again be active as D3AA until he leaves on February 15th (2013) for another vacation. Reports indicate that he is taking with him on this trip a two element 40 meter rotatable quad and a fixed two element 80 meter quad antenna. QSL via UA1QV.

DXCC NEWS. Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:
5X1EME -Uganda; 2012 Operation
TT8TT – Chad; 2012 Operation. Also, a certificate for LoTW has been approved.
VU7M – Lakshadweep Islands; August 2012 Operation
ZD9UW – Tristan Da Cunha & Gough; 2012 Operation

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). By the time you read this, Rudi, ZL2KBR, will be active as E51KBR from Rarotonga Island (OC-013) until November 19th. Activity will be holiday style on 20-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via ZL2KBR.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Reminder). By the time you read this, operators Frank/HB9BXU, Bruno/HB9ABS, Albert/HB9BZD and Peter/HB9CHX will be active as E51C, E51ABS, E51BZD and E51CHX, respectively from Aitutaki Island

(OC-083) until November 30th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters including the 30/17/12 meter bands, between 1900-1200z, using CW, SSB and PSK31. Suggested frequencies were in OPDX.1081. QSL via HB9BXU.

GU, GUERNSEY (EU-114). Dick, GU4CHY, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau (long QRX).

H40 & H44, TEMOTU AND SOLOMON ISLANDS (Update). Sigi, DL7DF, will once again lead a group of operators on a 2013 DXpedition which is being called a "Two Entities DXpedition - Solomon 2013". Sigi states on his Web page that they have chosen two destinations. The first destination will be the Guadalcandal (OC-047), Solomon Islands (H44), where the team will sign H44G between March 8-25th, 2013. During the time between March 12-23rd, part of the group will be active as H40T from Nendo (OC-100), Temotu Island (H40). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. They will have several stations on the air. One station on each destination will be exclusively dedicated to RTTY, PSK31 and SSTV. Their station equipment on each destination consists of 4 transceivers (3 x K2, 1 x FT857D), 3 power amplifiers, a lowband vertical for 160/80m, a deltaloop for 40, a deltaloop for 30, a Spiderbeam for 20/17/15/12/10, a 5 element Yagi for 6m, some Beverage antennas as well as some laptop computers. Operators mentioned are Manfred/DK1BT, Georg/DK7LX, Wolf/DL4WK, Reiner/ DL7KL, Sigi/DL7DF, Juergen/DL7UFN, Frank/DL7UFR, Jan/SP3CYY and Leszek/ SP3DOI. Pilot station is Bernd, DF3CB. QSL route is via DL7DF, direct or by the Bureau. For more details and updates, visit: http://www.dl7df.com/h4/index.php

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-016. Sergio, IZ3NXC, will be active as 9A/IZ3NXC from Lastovo Island (IOCA CI-051) between November 11-12th, weather permit- ting. QSL via IZ3NXC, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. No eQSL.

OC-248. Hide, JM1LJS, plans to be active as T80W from the rare Sonsorol Islands during mid-April 2013 (possibly April 11-15th). For more details, see: http://blog.rental-shack.com/?eid"4

SA-096. (Update/NEW IOTA) Operators Cezar/VE3LYC, Johan/PA3EXX, Alex/LU5WW and possibly more Argentinian operators will be active as LU6W (pending) fom Escondida Island in the Chubut Province North IOTA Group early January 2013. Activity will be for four days using two stations. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE3LYC, direct or by the Bureau. See their Web page below for more details. There is now a Web page available at: http://lu6w.yolasite.com

JW, SVALBARD. Operators Jorn/LA1U, Borge/LA4KQ and Olav/LA9OI will be active as JW1U, JW4KQ and JW9OI, respectively, from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen on Spitsbergen Island (EU-026) between November 22-26th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) using the callsign JW5E as a Multi-Single entry. QSL the operator's individual

callsigns via their home callsigns and JW5E by the Bureau or direct. To see the JW5E station, visit: http://jw5e.com

KH2, GUAM. Yoshi, JK2VOC, will be active as KH2/JK2VOC from Guam (OC-026) between November 23-27th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via JK2VOC direct.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 12-18th)....
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Akira, JR1VAY/AH2J, is now active as AH2J/KH0 from the Saipan Rental Shack, Northern Mariana Islands (OC-086, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333), between now and November 12th. He was expected to be in the JIDX-SSB and WAEDC RTTY Contests this past weekend. QSL via JR1VAY, by the Bureau.

LOTW UPDATE. Some may have noticed that the "Logbook of The World" (LoTW) went off-line early last week. The ARRL Letter explains, "ARRL Information Technology Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, is reporting that while Logbook of The World (LoTW) system is currently down, it is expected to be back up by 9 AM EST (1400 UTC) on Friday, November 9. 'While the system is temporarily down, radio amateurs are not able to access LoTW or upload their logs,' Keane explained. 'No data has been lost, and everyone's records are intact. We understand the problem and we are in the process of restoring service to LoTW. Since both the Logbook of The World service and the Online DXCC service are connected to the ARRL Awards System, radio amateurs are not able to access either service until the system is restored. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, and want to assure the amateur community that the ARRL is working diligently to restore service to these popular programs.'"

P4, ARUBA. Andy, AE6Y, will once again be active as P49Y from Aruba (SA-036) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). His operating class is TBD. QSL via AE6Y or LoTW.

PJ5, ST. EUSTATIUS (Update OPDX.1085). A team of JA operators will be active as PJ5J from St. Eustatius (NA-145) between December 1-12th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.

The group now has a Web page available for more details and updates
at: http://www.ndxa.net/pj5j

PT0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update). Look for the PT0S team to
be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single
entry. QSL via HA7RY. For updates, visit their Web page at:
http://pt0s.com
LATEST PT0S UPDATE FROM THEIR WEB PAGE:
PT0S Team on the Rocks, One Station QRV (11-11-2012 from AA7JV)

Nov 11, 2012, St. Peter and St. Paul
"We landed on SPSP yesterday morning. After many difficulties we have
raised our main antenna and have one station operational. Spent last
night on 160 with mixed results. Local noise on the main TX antenna is
S9+10 dB and we can only work stations with signals above that. It is
like listening to the output of a switching power supply. Will try to
build RX antenna today. Conditions are too rough to build the planned
remote RX antenna. We must wait for calmer conditions to swim to the
remote rock called Cabral. We have very limited Internet access so
updates will be kept short..... AA7JV"

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA. Renner, PY7RP, will be active from Fernando
de Noronha (SA-003) between December 6-10th. He informs OPDX that he has
requested the callsign PY0FRP which is still pending. His activity will
include the ARRL 10M Contest (December 8-9th) as a Single-Op/Mixed-Mode/
Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest, he will be on 40-10 meters using
FT450D w/100w into 4 element OWA yagi and a G5RV. QSL via his home
callsign, direct or via his OQRS (see QRZ.com).

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 11th)

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3A/ON5UR via M0URX II1DCI via IK1GPG R1812MB via RW3XS
3A/ON8AK via M0URX II7IAOI via IZ7AUH RA/DL6KV via DL6KV
5Z4/SM1TDE via SM1TDE IY1EY via IK1QBT SV0XCA/5 via LZ1WL (B)
8J50YAX/5 via JA5YAX JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d) SV9/KI1G via KI1G
9N7CB via DL2GAN KH2/JI3CEY via JI3CEY TA4/DL2DXA via DL2DXA
A31JY via JA1JQY KP2/W1EQ via W1EQ UK/UA4WHX via UA4WHX
A31MA via JA3MCA LT2H via LU3HIP UN5J via W3HNK
AH2EA via JF2WGN LX7I via LX2A VK6WDI via VK6YS
C6AXY via W9XY LX9LTE via LX3PR VP2MGZ via DL7AFS
DA9L via DO1BEN LZ1620PPZ via LZ1KCP W3HF/KH2 via W3HF
DL3KZA/YB8FL via DL3KZA OP7M via ON4SA YQ0U via YO5BFJ
EO5UFF via US5UFF P29VCX via SM6CVX ZF2AH via W6VNR
HF8W via SP8GWI PJ2/DB5IJ via DB5IJ ZW1CF via PY1QW
HI8CSS via EA5GL PJ2/DF9MV via DF9MV
HZ1TT via IZ8CLM PJ2/DL5MFL via DL5MFL
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

E73Y QSL INFO. It has been confirmed that Boris, E73Y, will QSL direct and by the Bureau. He also states, "I accept Bureau QSL requests with full QSO data sent to my E-mail, and that postage payment (2.00 USD) can be done by Paypal." Address and E-mail is "OK" on QRZ.com.

IRCS TO BE DISCONTINUED IN THE U.S.? It seems that the United States Postal Service (USPS) will (or try to) follow what the U.K. is going to do with IRCs. The USPS has proposed to discontinue the sale of International Reply Coupons (IRCs) due to the "low quantity demand by customers" but will "continue to exchange (redeem) international reply coupons purchased in foreign countries and presented at U.S. Post Office facilities". You can read more in the Federal Register at:

https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/10/23/2012-25992/internationa
l-mailing-services-proposed-product-and-price-changes#h-13
Comments on this proposed change will be accepted through November 23rd, and can be voiced/filed at:
http://www.regulations.gov/#!submitComment;D&#65533;PS-2012-0101-0001
It has been suggested that the amateur radio operators should try to make a the case for retaining IRCs on the <usps.com> store only. IRCs are currently available at <usps.com> so there is no need to have them stocked or ordered at a local post office. It costs literally nothing to have them in the online store. If the sale of IRCs are discontinued here in the U.S., you will have to buy them from another country.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Sergey, D2HD, has selected Buzz, NI5DX, as his QSL Manager. A card must be designed and printed. Please allow 4-6 weeks for the cards to arrive from the printer. Sergey will provide Buzz with the log every week, so there will be very little wait for the cards to be processed and mailed.

NEW QSL ROUTE. Tim, M0URX, is now the QSL Manager for JX5O. Tim states, "I have now received the log. OQRS will soon be opened." For more details, especially on old QSL request, see Tim's Web page at: http://www.m0urx.com

POSTAL RATE WEB SITE. Here's a helpful site regarding Postage Rates worldwide: http://www.k4hb.com/postage.html

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK! See "LOTW UPDATE" above for details.

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, 3C6A, 5C13IG, 5C13KD, 5C13YR, 5U8NK, 7O6T, 8Q7OE, A51PN, ER1LW, J28NC, PJ5/K3TRM, RI1FJ, VP5/WA2VYA, VK9CS, VK9XS, VU7M, YY4DNN and ZD9UW

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SILENT KEYS.....
* Marjoke (Mary), ZS5V, the XYL of Joost, ZS5S, informs OPDX that her husband became a Silent Key (SK) on October 29th after a 3 month battle with metastase malignant melanoma. He died peacefully at home.

* It has been reported that Pieter Botha, ZS4PB, at the age of 86, became a Silent Key (SK) on November 7th. ZS4PB was known for his topband activities, also widely known as "The African Cowboy", and was one of Africa's best known DXers in the last 60 years.

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above mentioned.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Mike, KI4MRH, is now active as T6MH from Afghanistan. He tells OPDX that he expects to be there until October 2013. Activity will be on 80-10 meters (no 30m) using SSB and the Digital modes (PSK-31/ PSK-63/JT-65). He will use 100 watts (SSB) and 30 watts (Digital) into a 40 meter Inverted Vee and a 20 meter vertical. Current QSL is via eQSL. He is currently setting up an account for LoTW and has made his own QSL cards that he will be filling out and sending to E-mail and through postal service.

T8, PALAU. Ryosei, JH0IXE, will once again be active as T8CW from the "VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on Koro Island, Palau (OC-009), between December 24th and January 6th (2013). Activity will be on 160-6 meters with operations this time mainly on the Digital modes (RTTY, PSK31, JT65A). QSL via JA0FOX. Visit his Web page at: http://jh0ixe.idou.net/t8cw

TF, ICELAND. Operators Phil/G3SWH, Tom/N3ZZ, Andrew/UA3AB, Mike/WA6O, Oskar/TF3DC, Yngvi/TF3Y and Thorvaldur/TF4M will activate the TF4M Rhombic Farm club station in Otradalur, using the callsign TF4X during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via G3SWH. For more on the TF4M station, see: http://www.tf4m.com

TJ, CAMEROON. Nicolas, F8FQX (ex-5T5SN and ex-TN5SN) is now in Yaounde (Grid JJ53SU), Cameroon, and he will be there for about 3-4 years. He is currently waiting for his permission to operate and has requested the callsign TJ3SN. No other details were provided. Stay tuned!

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). Reports indicate that Lance, W7GJ, has been invited to be a 6 meter operator for the TX5Q 2013 Cordell Expedition to Clipperton Island - provided he can pay the standard personal participation fee of 6500 USDs before November 26th. He is asking the 6m community if you are interested in having Clipperton activated on 6m to please help fund his trip. Complete details are available at: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/TX5K.htm

UNIQUE SPECIAL EVENT FROM ALASKA AND THE YUKON! "Yukon John", KL7JR, informs OPDX: "Time frame is June or July, 2013. If you were planning a trip to Alaska or the Yukon, bring the family and make a vacation out of it. Special event will be 2 or 3 days long with other operating locations available (VE8RST etc.)... spend a day or as long as you wish! Callsigns used will be KL7RST and VY1RST. Several ways to get there: fly up to (Anchorage, Juneau or Whitehorse) and rent a car, drive up, ferry up from Bellingham, WA....etc. etc. I especially need a ham with CW or digital experience (prefer PSK-31) to man his own station. There is a hotel nearby so that's another possibility. I may come up solo in a

motor home...not sure yet but could have room for someone to share expenses. One thing for sure, we will have an exciting time and I promise this will be UNIQUE!!! This could just be that mini-DXpedition you always dreamed of!!! Please pass on to anyone who may be interested. Specific details will be released later. Contact Yukon John, KL7JR if interested (kl7jrATyahoo.com)."

V8, BRUNEI (Reminder/Update). By the time you read this, members of the Gemilang Amamteur Radio Club (GEMILANG Radio) and the Mediterraneo DX Club will should be active as V84SMD from Brunei (OC-088, WLOTA 1628) until November 23rd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be 23 operators with 4 to 5 stations on the air 24 hours. Team members include Norbert/ DJ7JC, Heye/DJ9RR, Andy/DL3GA, Henri/F1HRE, Gerard/F2JD, Michel/F5EOT, Jean-Luc F6BIV, Marco/HB9OCR, Gabriele/I2VGW (Co-Team Leader), Pino/I8YGZ, Fabio/IK2LTR, Dario/IT9ZZO, Paolo/IW2ETR, Marco/IZ2GNQ, Stefano/IZ5GST, Antonio/IZ8CCW (Team Leader), Karl/OE3JAG, Eric/ON7RN, UZ2HKC, Lan/V85AVE, Nizam/V85AX, Ayub/V85TX, Adhi/YB3MM, Feri/YO5OED and Ovidiu/YO9XC. QSL via IK2VUC, direct, by the bureau or the OQRS. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW 4-5 months after the activity. Further information can be found on their website at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd

VP8/S. SOUTH GEORGIA. Mike, GM0HCQ/MM, onboard the "Royal Research Ship James Clark Ross, is scheduled to possibly be active again as VP8SGK from King Edward Point Base station, South Georgia (AN-007), on November 18th. Activity will only be a few hours and SSB only. QSLing is only direct for all contacts. All contacts will be on e-QSL or LoTW. Full details on QSLing is available at: http://www.gm0hcq.com/qsl.htm Details about Mike and the "James Clark Ross" are avaialble at: http://www.gm0hcq.com

YN, NICARAGUA. Mike, AJ9C, will once again be active as YN2CC from Granada, Nicaragua, between November 20-29th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Also, Mike will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Sinlge-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to his home callsign.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Press Release #10). Ed, VK2ARE, Australian publicity Officer for ZL9HR, sent out the following on November 8th: "One of the most important DX'peditions of the year is about to start.
ZL9HR will be active from the UNESCO World Heritage Campbell Island which is 650Km south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean. This Sub-Antarctic island is sought after not only for DXCC and IOTA (OC-037) awards but I have been informed by August, HB9TZA, also for the World Flora and Fauna radio award where the island has the reference ZLFF-019. Please checkout <www.wff44.org> for details of that competition.
I am glad to report all plans are still on schedule and ZL9HR will be active on all bands from 160m to 6m from November 28th to December 9th from Campbell Island. Here's hoping for mild weather and good propagation for the event.
As always please refer to the DX'Pedition's website <zl9hr.com> for

all details and latest updates."

ZS7, ANTARCTICA. Adam, ZS7V, will be the new operator at the SANAE Base
(South African National Antarctic Expedition) as a Radio Technician and
Team Leader starting at the end of December 2012. Activity will not
start until the end of February 2013 once the supply ship departs for
Cape Town. He will remain at the SANAE Base until February 2014. His
activity will be SSB only. His QSL Manager is ZS1HF. Look for more details
to be posted to QRZ.com.

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Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW - kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org --or-- kb8nw@arrl.net
Editor of the "Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin" (OPDX - "DXer's Tool of Excellence")
President of the "Northern Ohio DX Association" (NODXA)
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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

2236. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 11th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-11 21:00:10 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121111210004.1E70C33C9B@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1503
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 11th November 2012

Silent Key : GI3GGY

We are sorry to have to report the death of one of Northern Ireland's best known radio amateurs, Jimmy Porter GI3GGY, who also held the call sign EI3JC. Jimmy grew up in Derry and lived there for most of his life, running a TV and Radio business for many years. He was first licensed 64 years ago and was one of the longest-serving RSGB newsreaders, reading the news from 1954 up to quite recently. Jimmy had three sons who are also licensed Radio Amateurs: John GI4JVP, James GI0GGY and Brendan MI0GGY.

GI3GGY's station included a massive log-periodic antenna that had previously been part of the White House / Kremlin hotline system which was established at the height of the Cold War.

Mayo Rally

A reminder that next Sunday, 18th November, the Mayo Radio Experimenters Network rally takes place at the Welcome Inn in Castlebar. Doors open at 11 a.m. and the usual traders will be in attendance.

Ahead of the rally, on Saturday evening the 17th, two of Ireland's most experienced amateurs who will talk on their respective topics: Commencing at 7 p.m. Thos Caffrey EI2JD (IRTS Contest Manager) will speak on contesting and working DX. Thos is an experienced single operator and multi-operator contester and is one of Ireland's leading DXers. Not to be missed!

Following at 9 p.m. will be John Tait EI7BA. John is a leading DXer and an avid home constructor - some interesting and practical topics will be covered in this lecture.

More information, including details of special accommodation deals are on www.ei7mre.org the Mayo Radio Experimenters Network web site.

New EI DXCC award holder

Cork based radio amateur Anthony Cummins EI3GAB is the latest EI call sign holder to achieve the DXCC award. This brings the number of EI calls with the DXCC award to almost 70. See www.irts.ie/dxcc for a complete list of award holders.

Summits On The Air

Most of us will remember much of October as a wet and windy month, with few enough days when a trip to the mountains would seem attractive. However, Phil ON4TA was activating the hills of Antrim, Tyrone, Donegal and Mayo during October. Active on both HF and VHF, Phil reports that VHF contacts were few and far between but he did make an effort to use VHF and managed some 4m and 2m FM QSOs. 20 metres was by far the best band, with good contacts into Europe. He included a visit to Aranmore, off the coast of Donegal, where the somewhat rare IOTA reference combined with the equally rare "EJ" prefix brought in plenty of DX - which included Thailand on 20 metres phone, using just 25 watts to a wire dipole attached to a fishing pole.

Phil's web site at filip.rogister.eu includes plenty of interesting detail on the hills he climbed as well as those he was unable to access for a various reasons.

Standard for Power Line Telecommunications

Many of you will have heard of or read about the controversy surrounding a proposed new standard for Power line Telecommunications (PLT) devices. These devices allow computer networking and the distribution of data over house mains wiring using frequencies in the HF spectrum. To do this the devices need to use power levels in excess of those permitted by the present standard. It is probable that the amateur bands will be adequately protected by a requirement in the proposed standard to provide notches to mitigate interference to amateur, aeronautical mobile and broadcast frequencies to a level at least the same as that in the existing standard. Outside these frequencies, interference levels from PLT devices are likely to be very high. The fact that interference mitigating measures are required by the proposed standard means that PLT devices will produce unacceptable levels of interference outside the 'protected' frequencies.

IRTS and some other Societies, decided that it would not be appropriate to support a standard that only sought to protect amateur, aeronautical mobile and broadcast frequencies without regard to the levels of interference that could be caused by PLT devices to the remainder of the HF spectrum. Allowing in unacceptable levels of interference anywhere in the HF spectrum now could create a demand in the future for the raising of permitted signal levels in what are now the 'protected' frequencies.

Validate Your UK Licence

If you are the holder of a UK amateur radio licence received between November 2006 and August 2007 and have not since validated your licence with Ofcom, then you should do so now. This can be done using the online licensing system at www.ofcom.org.uk/licensing/olc -see page 8 of the November issue of RadCom.

Limerick Radio Club

The next meeting of Limerick Radio Club will take place on Wednesday 14th November at 1930 in the Limerick Institute of Technology. Liam EI7DSB will give a talk on building Arduino kits.

Galway Radio Experimenters Club

Galway Radio Experimenters Club are having their AGM today, 11th November, in the Anno Santo Hotel, Salthill at 3 pm. Tom (EI3ER) will also give a short lecture and PowerPoint presentation on the Marconi Clifden station as featured on BBC Coast. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

DX News

Hardy DL8NU is QRV from Mahe in the Seychelles until 24 November. He is using the callsign S79NU and is mainly on CW. QSLs go via his home call.

Eric F6ICX is reactivating his 5R8IC callsign from Madagascar. He will be on the island of Sainte-Marie which counts as AF-090 for the Islands on the Air award.

An international team of 23 operators from 9 countries will be active from Brunei from 11 - 23 November. They will use the callsign V84SMD with seven stations on all bands 6 - 160m. QSL manager is IK2VUC.

Prefix hunters should look out for the special Mongolian prefix of JU850 during the period 14 - 21 November. The regular JT prefixes can be replaced to celebrate the 850th birthday of Genghis Khan.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2237. eHam.net News for Sunday 11 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-11 23:05:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba5bc0633f8dea04ce403715@google.com>
Source record: 1504
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Emergency Radio Service Aided by $7,000 Donation:

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 03:14 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29319

PORTER -- The Niagara County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service received a $7,000 donation from Waste Management, parent company of the CWM Chemical Services hazardous waste landfill here. The money came courtesy of the company's local golf tournament. Jim Callahan of Waste Management, this year's golf chairman, handed over the check that will provide the group with equipment for expanding and enhancing its services to Niagara County in the event of a disaster. "These guys are unsung heroes. They are the ones prepared to help us communicate to get through any emergency situation, when other means of communication may be down," Callahan said.

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Death of 'Sunday' Radio Ham Jimmy Porter:

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 03:13 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29318

Tributes have been paid to local man Jimmy Porter, the licensed radio amateur best known for taping the military and RUC radio traffic on Bloody Sunday, who died on Wednesday aged 92. Campaigner John Kelly, whose brother Michael was one of 14 men murdered on January 30, 1972, told the 'SUNDAY' that the Bloody Sunday families were "very sad" to hear about Mr Porter's passing and they wish to pass on their condolences to his family. "We've always appreciated what Jimmy had contributed to the campaign over the years, especially through the army messages he recorded which become so vitally important to the inquiry's evidence," Mr Kelly said. "He also had the foresight to safeguard the material by hiding it from the British Army after many raids on his home because he knew that this material could be used in the future - and he was proved right." Jimmy Porter's love of amateur radio began when he discovered electronics aged 15, and he later become a leading radio ham and was also involved in Radio Free Derry. During the Troubles, Porter owned a television and radio shop at William Street and regularly listened in on security force radio communications after civil unrest erupted on the streets in the late 1960s.

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Press Release: New Radio Wave Propagation Forecast Subscription:

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 03:17 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29317

I am offering a new service to amateur radio operators and shortwave radio listeners/DXers. For a subscription fee of only $30.00 a year you receive 365 "daily" MF/HF/6M radio wave propagation forecasts.

2238. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 11 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 03:31:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc186b48d6504ce43eec7@google.com>
Source record: 1505
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios -
Las Cruces Sun-News

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 04:07 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGpWkJ0uv6ZkENPJRkUk0CKh3b1Eg&url=http://www.lcsun-news.com/las_cruces-news/ci_21977281/mentor-guides-nmsu-engineering-students-they-construct-amateur

Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios
Las Cruces Sun-News
Daniel Cooper and Thomas Buckner, also electrical engineering seniors, built their own ham radios, as well. Hassall has more than 50 years of experience assembling ham radios. "I have been interested in amateur radio all my life," he said. "My mother ...

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Death of 'Sunday' radio ham Jimmy Porter - Derry Journal

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 06:23 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEkBCQx4vwd-JO8JPzDdWlC4f3Eeg&url=http://www.derryjournal.com/community/death-of-sunday-radio-ham-jimmy-porter-1-4466460

Derry Journal
Death of Sunday radio ham Jimmy Porter
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Jimmy Porters love of amateur radio began when he discovered electronics aged 15, and he later become a leading radio ham and was also involved in Radio Free Derry. During the Troubles, Porter owned a television and radio shop at William Street and ...

2239. Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 03:39:47 UTC
From: David Lesher <wb8foz@panix.com>
Message-ID: <k7pr23$77i$1@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 1506
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

We need less than a gallon of transformer oil for coolant.
Does anyone sell such small quantities?

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A host is a host from coast to coast.................wb8foz@nrk.com
& no one will talk to a host that's close........[v].(301) 56-LINUX
Unless the host (that isn't close).........................pob 1433
is busy, hung or dead....................................20915-1433

2240. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 03:59:05 UTC
From: atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <k7ps69$15g$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1507
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

On 12/11/2012 1:39 PM, David Lesher wrote:
> We need less than a gallon of transformer oil for coolant.
> Does anyone sell such small quantities?
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>
any sort of high temp cooking oil
transformer oil can be toxic and is difficult to find

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X-No-Archive: Yes

2241. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 04:31:56 UTC
From: David Lesher <wb8foz@panix.com>
Message-ID: <k7pu3s$9d$2@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 1508
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com> writes:

>> We need less than a gallon of transformer oil for coolant.
>> Does anyone sell such small quantities?
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>any sort of high temp cooking oil
> transformer oil can be toxic and is difficult to find

We don't want cooking oil.

If transformer oil is toxic, the MSDS would say so.

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A host is a host from coast to coast.................wb8foz@nrk.com
& no one will talk to a host that's close........[v].(301) 56-LINUX
Unless the host (that isn't close).........................pob 1433
is busy, hung or dead....................................20915-1433

2242. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 04:54:23 UTC
From: atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <k7pve0fcv1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1509
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

On 12/11/2012 2:31 PM, David Lesher wrote:
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>>> We need less than a gallon of transformer oil for coolant.
>>> Does anyone sell such small quantities?
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>> any sort of high temp cooking oil
>> transformer oil can be toxic and is difficult to find
>
> We don't want cooking oil.
not wanting it doesn't mean you shouldn't use it
>
> If transformer oil is toxic, the MSDS would say so.
not always
try trans fluid it works
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X-No-Archive: Yes

2243. NZART Headquarters Infoline special issue 35s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 06:40:45 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <C2531FAACD054EF3995175328417B8B7@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 1510
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 35s

12 November 2012
NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

Amateur Digital Television Transmissions

Many of you will by now have seen the proposed application by the Wellington VHF Group for a Digital Amateur Television Repeater. Information missing from the proposal was the frequencies to be used. Many of you have also asked why has this suddenly appeared? Do we have a new frequency for an ATV repeater to replace the Channel 39 allocation? Has the Channel 39 allocation been retained?

The following background and information will, I hope, provide you with some answers.

Our old allocation for analogue television transmissions at 615.25 MHz (Channel 39) has been re-allocated in most parts of the country and will not be available in the future for amateur television use. The frequency now forms part of the new UHF digital terrestrial spectrum. We were advised in 2009 that Government decisions did not provide for Amateur digital television transmissions in the UHF bands, but there was spectrum available post digital switch-over (DSO) of VHF spectrum around 60 MHz (Channel 2). In early 2010 the licence renewal process found only three parties seeking Amateur TV repeater (analogue) licences and these were provided on a temporary basis until DSO.

You may be aware that negotiations have been underway for some time with our regulatory authority, the Ministry for Business, Innovation, and Employment’s Radio Spectrum Policy and Planning and Radio Spectrum Management Groups to evaluate some portion of the UHF spectrum for use by radio amateurs for transmitting digital television signals. These negotiations have now reached the stage where the Ministry has been advised that there are a number of interested groups around New Zealand who want to participate and the Ministry has requested evidence that we can in fact transmit digital television signals without causing interference to the holders of the adjacent spectrum.

At the time of publication in Infoline 261, the Ministry’s Radio Spectrum Management (RSM) had not allocated a transmit frequency for such a repeater. On the 7th of November, as the result of a meeting between FMTAG Secretary Doug Ingham ZL2TAR and the RSM, a frequency band from 502 MHz to 510 MHz has been chosen to allow the evaluation of amateur digital television transmissions to take place. The input

frequency of the repeater will be the same as previously used for analogue television transmissions, 431.25 MHz. However, for the spectrum compatibility tests, requested by RSM, a local ident generator will be used which will generate an output signal.

Selection of this frequency band for amateur digital television transmissions means that our “neighbours” in terms of spectrum use is the Land Mobile band extending up to 502 MHz on the lower side and the bottom channel of the Freeview Television spectrum which begins at 510 MHz on the upper side.

The application from Branch 74 is intended to prove to the RSM and adjacent spectrum users that radio amateurs in New Zealand do have the capability to successfully design, construct and operate a digital television transmitter in the band 502 to 510 MHz without producing interfering out-of-band emissions or degrading the signal to noise ratio of stations in the adjacent land mobile band. As such it will assist in developing licence conditions or other RSM requirements for future use.

The Wellington VHF Group has members with the necessary competence and technical ability to produce the UHF digital television transmitter and to conduct the trial and evaluation of emitted digital television signal. The location, in Wellington for the test transmissions, is also convenient in that those users of the land mobile spectrum who have an interest in ensuring that the amateur television transmissions will not cause interference or degradation also have their head office engineering sections in Wellington. The technical requirements for a digital television transmitter which meets the out-of-band radiation conditions of a commercial digital television licence in New Zealand is not easily achieved. A high level of output filtering is required to meet the stringent technical standard.

Branch 74’s aim is to prove that the required performance can be achieved and your Council has every confidence that this will be the outcome. So please bear with us as these trial transmissions take place. The successful outcome may permit other groups around New Zealand to go ahead with the design and construction of similar equipment.

Vaughan Henderson ZL1TGC

NZART President

Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 25th November 2012. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 16th November 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 15th November

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2244. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 12 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 07:29:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307cfea8c9aa7204ce47438d@google.com>
Source record: 1511
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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2013 Marshall Hamfest & Radio Swap

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 05:12 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?367954-2013-Marshall-Hamfest-amp-Radio-Swap&goto=newpost

The 53rd Annual Marshall Hamfest and Radio Swap meet will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2013 at the Marshall Activity Center (MAC), 15325 W. Michigan Avenue in Marshall, Michigan. The doors will open at 8:00AM and the event will run until 12:00PM. Admission is $5.00 and parking is free. Table-space is available for vendors or those who have items they wish to sell, priced at $10.00 per 8☐. Amateur radio license testing will begin at 10:00AM. All are welcome to join us! For registration materials and additional information, please visit our website www.w8df.com, contact Dave ☐Doc☐ Ashbolt K8OLY or Mike Schmieder KD8NJA at (269) 223-7141 or email us at crossroadshamfest@gmail.com.

2245. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 12 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 11:10:46 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93405e91c69a204ce4a5aee@google.com>
Source record: 1512
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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FITSAT-1 5.84 GHz downlink received in USA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6LDOTqqlHsk/fitsat1_5_84ghz_downlink_received_in_usa.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FITSAT-1 CubeSat, developed by students at the Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT) in Japan has a CW beacon on 437.250 MHz and a data link on 437.445 MHz. There is also a 5.8 GHz data downlink and an optical LED experiment that will flash Morse code planned to be visible with the unaided eye

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2013 Wireless Institute of Australia Conference in VK6 - are you coming?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_YDNkPm5SrM/wia_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2013 Wireless Institute of Australia AGM and Conference is less than 200 days away and we’re excited to announce that expressions of interest for speakers is now open

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Nv7zAdcRTzI/dxcc_report_1211.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 4th-November, through Sunday, 11th-November there were 223 countries active

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Taurid Meteor Shower

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9G1uyF-loFI/taurid_meteor_shower.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Earth is passing through a stream of gravelly debris from Comet Encke, source of the annual Taurid meteor shower

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Hamfest India 2012 - USA Amateur Radio Exams Session

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We are going to organize a USA Amateur Radio License Exams session on 16th Dec-2012 in Radakrishnan salai, Chennai

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Digital Amateur Television transmissions in New Zealand

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Many of you will by now have seen the proposed application by the Wellington VHF Group for a Digital Amateur Television Repeater

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Gujarat Council Of Science City ARISS contact also on Echolink and IRLP

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KK0xSZDUCyY/ariss_audio_event_1411.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Please join us in listening to the ISS contact with participants at the Gujarat Council Of Science City, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India on Wednesday 14 November. AOS is anticipated at 10:18 UTC

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bxaSgxrIO94/november_12.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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RSGB Newsreader Jimmy Porter GI3GGY SK

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yUhrsfdSNBI/rsgb_newsreader_jimmy_porter_gi3ggy_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Londonderry radio amateur Jimmy Porter GI3GGY passed away on Wednesday, November 7, aged 92

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History This Week

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XYnNsTmbvXw/history_12_november.htm?utm

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A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2246. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 11th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 13:00:12 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20121112130004.0686433C9E@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1513
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 11th November 2012

The news headlines:

Norway gets new allocations

RSGB voting deadlines approaching

Straight Key Century Club to hold Remembrance Day event

The Norwegian P & T Authority has made changes to the Norwegian amateur licence regulations. The major changes are that permission has been given to use 472 to 479kHz with a maximum 1W EIRP. The former permission to use 493 to 510kHz has been stopped. Permission has been given to use 70.1875 to 70.2625MHz, except in the three Norwegian southwest counties of Hordaland, Rogaland and West-Agder, where there still is commercial traffic within this frequency segment. Other segments allowing 100W transmitter power and maximum 16kHz bandwidth include 70.0625 to 70.0875MHz, 70.3625 to 70.3875MHz and 70.4125 to 70.4625MHz

RSGB Members are reminded that the deadline for voting online or by post on the new governance arrangements for the Society is noon on 15 November. Votes can be cast in person at the EGM in Stratford upon Avon on 17 November. Following the EGM and a free lunch there will be a presentation on the RSGB Centenary plans and an opportunity to dip into the archives to hear about the work going on to preserve the history of the Society. If you are planning to attend the EGM, you can register your interest on the RSGB website at www.rsgb.org/egm.

Call it Veterans Day, Remembrance Day or Poppy Day, but today, November 11 holds a special place in the pantheon of annual national holidays as a time to honour all of those who have served in their countries' armed forces. At least 20 countries around the world celebrate the day. The Straight Key Century Club holds an event for 24 hours today, 11 November, to mark this day. Full details are on their website, www.skccgroup.com.

At the IARU Region 3 Conference held last week, delegates heard that at the IARU Administrative Council meeting held earlier, the Michael J Owen VK3KI Award was established to recognise an individual or individuals that best exemplify the dedication and hard work of IARU volunteers. It was further proposed at the conference by the WIA that an annual award or trophy be introduced in his name for the highest

IARU Region 3 individual operator score in the IARU HF Contest. It was warmly received and the details are to be announced later.

Last week the Logbook of The World system was out of action, although it should be back in use by the time of this news broadcast. The ARRL assure users that no data was lost and everyone's records are intact.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 11 November, the West London Radio & Electronics Show, otherwise known as the Kempton Rally, will be held at Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames TW16 5AQ. There is free car parking and the doors open at 10am. Visitors will find trade stands, a Bring & Buy, special interest groups as well as a lecture programme. Details from Paul, M0CJX on 08451 650 351.

The Halton & District Radio Amateurs Rally will take place on 17 November at The Heath Business & Technical Park, Runcorn, Cheshire WA7 4QX. Doors open at 10.30am and admission is free. There will be trade stands and a Bring & Buy. More information from George Low, G0RLF on 01928 897 591, daytime only please.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 12 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network Radio Rally will take place on 18 November at the Welcome Inn, Castlebar, Co Mayo. Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per person (children are free). The usual traders will be in attendance. For those staying at the hotel for the weekend there is a Saturday evening lecture programme. IRTS Contest Manager, Thos Caffrey, EI2JD will speak on contesting and working DX and John Tait, EI7BA will have some interesting and practical topics in his lecture. More information about the rally can be found on the clubs website www.ei7mre.org.

Now for the news of special events

GB4WLR will be on air today, 11 November, as part of the Remembrance Sunday commemorations. A World War One locomotive is expected to be in steam on the West Lancashire Light Railway at Hesketh Bank. The locomotive served behind the front lines during WW1 and is named Joffre. Also taking place that day is the annual BBC Children in Need, fund raising day. QSL direct to Pam 2E1HQY or via the RSGB Bureau. More info on qrz.com.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

JH1AJT will be on the air from Bhutan until 15 November as A5A. He will be active on all bands between 10 and 40m using various modes. QSL via home callsign.

Frank Pulfer, HB9BXU and a team of Swiss amateurs will activate the island of Aitutaki, IOTA OC-083, from 12 to 30 November. This island belongs to the Cook Islands and is situated in the Polynesian Triangle of the Southern Pacific area. They plan to be active on all bands from

10m to 80m, including WARC bands, using SSB, CW and PSK31. The DXpedition is holiday-style.

Paul Evans will be active as VP9KF in Bailey's Bay, Bermuda, IOTA NA-005, from 5 to 19 November. He has been active in Bermuda twice a year since 2006 and has built up a total of almost 20,000 QSOs. QSL info is direct to his address in Tampa, Florida. See QRZ.COM for full details.

Eric, SM1TDE will be holidaying in Kenya from 5 to 22 November. He will operate CW only as 5Z4/SM1TDE on all bands from 10 to 40m. QSLs go via his home callsign and logs will also be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Now the contest news

The WAE DX RTTY Contest finishes at 2359 tonight, 11 November. It should keep the RTTY parts of the HF bands buzzing. Everybody can work everybody on RTTY. In WAE events reports of a previously conducted contest QSOs can add significantly to your total score, so it's well worth investigating in advance of the event how they work. Using the 3.5 to 28MHz bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The 432MHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230UTC on 13 November. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The following day, 14 November, it's the ever-popular 80m Club Sprint from 2000 to 2100. Using SSB the exchange is serial number and name.

Finally for this week, the weekend of 17 and 18 November sees the 2nd 1.8MHz contest take place starting at 2100UTC on the 17th and finishing at 0100 on the 18th. Using CW only, the exchange is signal report, serial number and District code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 2nd to the 8th of November compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 9th of November.

Solar activity was mostly very low but increased to low on the 5th when a single C class solar flare took place, and moderate on the 8th when a M1 solar flare took place rather unexpectedly. Solar flux levels declined to 93 units on the

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speeds increased to 540 kilometres per second on the 7th. Particle densities were low but increased to 24 particles per cubic centimetre on the 6th. Bz showed little variation whilst the magnetic field was quiet, but fluctuations of minus and plus 12 nanoTeslas took place on the 7th during the disturbance. For an explanation of the terms used in this report, refer to page 136 of the 2013 RSGB Yearbook.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This week the slightly more active side of the Sun is expected to rotate into view. Solar activity should increase to low levels most days with also a chance of moderate levels on some days. Solar flux levels should increase and be in the 120s later in the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day, however later in the week a coronal hole disturbance could take place. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 33MHz for the south and 30MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 9MHz. Paths this week to Japan should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success of around 24MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 20MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0700 and 1000 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Midland Amateur Radio Society is visiting the Kempton Park Rally today. On Wednesday there's a committee meeting and training classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday the Advanced course continues, and on Tuesday there's a committee meeting. The RSGB 80m Club Sprint SSB Contest is on Wednesday and Friday sees the shack social. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and Friday sees a club net, also on GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

Central Radio Amateur Circle is running its Intermediate course via Skype on Tuesday. On Thursday there's a meeting at the Turf Tavern pub. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

South Birmingham Radio Society has an open meeting and rag chew on Monday. On Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 432MHz UK AC on Tuesday. Wednesday sees G6COL on the air from the shack and a video night at the BSA club. The club net is on 145.375MHz from 8pm on Thursday. The Saturday surgery in the shack starts at 9am, followed by a visit to the RSGB AGM. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Notts Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on JT65 HF by M0RIA on Wednesday. Saturday sees the start of the club Advanced weekend. Contact Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday 12 November Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is operating on VHF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale hosted by John, G8HJS. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale, hosted by Mick, M0GDW. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 12 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a surplus sale, with Jim, G8UGL wielding the gavel. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society has a committee forum. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

On Friday Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the work of the Leicestershire Repeater Group by Geoff, G4AFJ. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by David Stansfield on valves and how to use them effectively. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on homebrew PSUs by Glenn, G6HFF. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is continuing its tests with PSK31. Contact Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on glass by Chris. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having a night on the air from 1930 on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m Sprint SSB and having an update on M1MM. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 80m Club Sprint. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on home construction by Ged, G8RSI. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Thursday Wakefield & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting and is on the air from the shack Details from Ken, G8FSO, on 07900 563 117.

On Saturday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club 2nd 1.8MHz Comp. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Saturday Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate course with Chris, M0KJP. Details from Bill, 2E0IPC, on 07 905 178 845.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND We have advance notice that Mid-Ulster Amateur Radio Club will be running a Foundation course on Friday 14 and Saturday 15 December. Information on fees and how to apply is online at www.muarc.com, or contact Bertie, 2I0RGD, via email to robert.gilliland@btopenworld.com. Applications and payment must be received no later than 28 November.

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NEWS FOR SCOTLAND Tonight and next Sunday West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having a club night with talks, quiz & raffle. On Friday there's project work & learning. Contact Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

On Wednesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday Lothians Radio Society has its President's Address by Andy, MM0FMF. Contact Alan J Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Farnborough & District Radio Society has a CW net on Monday at 1pm on 3.570MHz, then a Top Band net on 1.995MHz at 8pm. On Wednesday there is a talk by Derek, G3HEJ. The 2m net on Friday is on 144.675MHz at 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has a 2m net on GB3DA from 8.30 on Tuesday. There's a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall 7.30pm on Wednesday. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is running a 2m club net. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is having a talk on microcontrollers by Denis, M0NDJ. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday West Kent Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation on radio control models by Darren, M0PRV. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio astronomy by Brian Coleman, G4NNS. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday Radio Society of Harrow is having an informal meeting at Rayners Lane. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Tuesday South Essex Amateur Radio Society is holding its AGM. Contact Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz night with AVRS at the White Hill Centre, Chesham. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Darenth Valley Radio Society is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday Fareham & District Amateur Radio Club is having an inter club quiz. More information from Derek Clarkson, G4JLP, on 01329 823 405.

On Wednesday Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is having a talk on extraterrestrial life by David Warrington from North Essex Astronomical Society. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

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Club is having a talk on flexible whispering plus JT65 by Peter Richmond, M0HBL. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding a surplus sale. Contact David Sharp, M0XDS, by email to david.sharp1@tesco.net.

On Wednesday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a discussion evening and taking part in the 80m SSB Sprint contest. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is having a talk. Details from Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday Colchester Radio Amateurs Club is having an activities discussion evening. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday Cray Valley Radio Society is having a talk on ADS-B and AIS positioning systems by Richard, G8ITB. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is having 15-minute talks by members. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

On Thursday Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social at The White Lion Inn, Thakeham. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Contact Tim Ward, 2E0TJW, on 07810 481 182.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio is closed. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is having a talk by Gavin Nesbitt, M1BXF and Rob Chipperfield, M0VFC on the Cambs Hams DXpedition to the Isle of Mull. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a talk. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding its construction contest. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group Club is holding its construction contest. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Sunday Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Intermediate course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding HD DX Club operations in the Moose Centre on Monday at 1900. The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 19:45 and on Thursday it's the 4m net on

70.425MHz from 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday Riviera Amateur Radio Club is having a club night. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is having a natter night and Morse class. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Tuesday Plymouth Radio Club is preparing for the Plymouth Radio Rally, having a natter night & putting the shack on the air. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a QSL card evening. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a members equipment sale. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Poole Radio Society continues its Intermediate course and is having an activity night. Contact Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and the TARS 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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2247. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 14:00:10 UTC
From: Bert <bert@iphouse.com>
Message-ID: <XnsA10951688FA2VeebleFetzer@216.250.188.140>
Source record: 1514
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

In news:k7ps69$15g$1@dont-email.me atec77 <"atec77 "@hotmail.com> wrote:

> On 12/11/2012 1:39 PM, David Lesher wrote:
>> We need less than a gallon of transformer oil for coolant.
>> Does anyone sell such small quantities?
>>
>>
> any sort of high temp cooking oil

Not cooking oil; vegetable or animal derived oils will go rancid over
time and don't handle really high temperatures very well. Mineral oil is
much more appropriate.

> transformer oil can be toxic and is difficult to find

Traditional transformer oil contained PCBs. The new stuff doesn't.

MFJ sells 1 gallon bottles for $30.

http://www.mfjenterprises.com/Product.php?productid=MFJ-21

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Bert Hyman W0RSB St. Paul, MN bert@iphouse.com

2248. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 05 - 11 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 16:31:19 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121112163111.BB2C433C9D@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1515
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Nov 12 0405 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
05 - 11 November 2012

Solar activity ranged from very low to moderate levels. On 05
November, low levels were observed due to a C2 X-ray flare from a
unnumbered region around the southeast limb at 05/1839 UTC. Solar
activity remained at very low levels until 08 November when a long
duration M1 flare was observed at 08/0223 UTC from Region 1611 (N13,
L=240, class/area Eso/270 on 09 November). Associated with this
event was a Type II radio sweep (784 km/s) and a non-geoeffective
coronal mass ejection (CME) off the East limb. Also on 08 November,
a full halo backsided CME was observed in SOHO/LASCO imagery from
old Region 1598 (S12, L=111). By 09 November, solar activity
returned to low levels with a single C1 flare from Region 1604 (N08,
L=322, class/area Bx0/010 on 03 November) at 09/0151 UTC. Also on 09
November, a 12 degree long filament, centered near S16E03, erupted
at approximately 09/1230 UTC which resulted in an Earth-directed CME
first observed in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery at 09/1524 UTC. By 10
November, multiple low level C-flares were observed including a long
duration C2 flare from Region 1608 (S20, L=286, class/area Hrx/020
on 06 November) at 10/0504 UTC. An Earth-directed CME was observed
in association with this C2 flare in STEREO A COR2 imagery at
10/0539 UTC and SOHO/LASCO C3 imagery at 10/1054 UTC. By 11
November, solar activity increased to moderate levels due to an M1
flare from Region 1614 (N15, L=193, class/area Dso/110 on 11
November) at 11/0233 UTC with an associated Type II radio sweep (659
km/s).

An enhancement of the greater than 10 MeV proton flux at
geosynchronous orbit was observed beginning at approximately 08/1400
UTC likely associated with flare activity and the associated CME
from old Region 1598. A peak enhancement of 2.4 pfu was observed at
09/0420 UTC and remained slightly enhanced through the end of the
reporting period. No event thresholds were exceeded.
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The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal background levels throughout the reporting period.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet levels until 07 November when a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) moved into geoeffective position. At 06/2119 UTC, the phi component of the interplanetary magnetic field changed from positive to negative with corresponding increases in density, temperature, and speed in ACE spacecraft data indicating a solar sector boundary crossing followed by a co-rotating interaction region and CH HSS. Solar wind speed increased from approximately 300 km/s to a peak of near 525 km/s by 07/1538 UTC. Total field (Bt) reached a maximum of 14 nT at 07/0031 UTC with a maximum deflection of the Bz component southward to -12 nT at 07/0039 UTC. The geomagnetic field responded with quiet to active periods on 07 November. By 08 November, conditions returned to quiet levels and remained that way through the end of the reporting period.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
12 November - 08 December 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low with a chance for M-class flares through 24 November when Region 1614 is due to rotate off the west limb. Very low to low conditions are expected from 12 November until 27 November. On 28 November, and through the end of the forecast period, very low to low conditions with a chance for M-class activity is expected with the return of old Region 1598.

There is a slight chance for a greater than 10 MeV proton event from 28 November through the end of the reporting period due possible flare activity from old Region 1598.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal levels on 12 November. Moderate to high levels are expected from 13-24 November due to CME activity and recurrence. Normal levels are expected from 25 November through 03 December. Moderate to high levels are expected from 04-06 December due to CH HSS activity. By 07 December through the end of the forecast period, normal levels are expected.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be unsettled to active with a chance for minor storm periods starting around mid-day on 12 November and continuing through 13 November as the 09 and 10 November CMEs are expected to become geoeffective. Unsettled levels are expected on 14 November as CME activity wanes. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 15-18 November. Quiet to unsettled conditions are possible on 19 November due to a possible solar sector boundary crossing. From 20 November through 02 December, mostly quiet conditions are expected. On 03-04 December, a recurrent CH HSS is expected to become geoeffective causing quiet to unsettled with isolated active conditions. A return to mostly quiet conditions is expected from 05 December through the end of the forecast period.

2249. New Membership Benefit: Free QST App for iPad iPhone iPod

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 16:47:42 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121112151832.7D1B1247A2@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1516
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Free QST App for Apple iOS Devices
<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/qst/id531766442?mt=8>
Overview

ARRL members using Apple iOS mobile devices--iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch--can download a /new/ dedicated app to access the digital edition of /QST/. The app allows ARRL members to read /QST/ online or choose to download individual issues of the journal for offline reading.

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2250. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 12 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 17:33:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404c148798504ce4fb4cd@google.com>
Source record: 1517
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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PY0FRP Fernando de Noronha Island

Posted: 12 Nov 2012 05:39 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368078-PY0FRP-Fernando-de-Noronha-Island&goto=newpost

PY7RP will be active from Fernando de Noronha Island 6-10 December 2012 as
PY0FRP

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...oronha-island/

73 Al 4L5A

2251. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 18:15:10 UTC
From: David Lesher <wb8foz@panix.com>
Message-ID: <k7rebdoua1@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 1518
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

Bert <bert@iphouse.com> writes:

>Not cooking oil; vegetable or animal derived oils will go rancid over
>time and don't handle really high temperatures very well. Mineral oil is
>much more appropriate.

>> transformer oil can be toxic and is difficult to find

>Traditional transformer oil contained PCBs. The new stuff doesn't.

>MFJ sells 1 gallon bottles for $30.

There's been no PCB's in transformer oil (or anything else
sold...) since 1979. GE is still trying to clean up the Hudson
River.

>http://www.mfjenterprises.com/Product.php?productid=MFJ-21

Thank you. This is the coolant for the motor controller
we built; for an electric Miata we've named QAR. The heat
sinks have copper tubing embedded in them. We need thermal
conductivity and electrical isolation since the heat sinks are
200V apart, and are not referenced to the frame.

We tried mineral oil but the viscosity is way too high.
Fluorinert would be ideal but would likely cost more than all we
have spent to date. We're looking at DOT5 brake fluid as well.

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A host is a host from coast to coast.................wb8foz@nrk.com
& no one will talk to a host that's close........[v].(301) 56-LINUX
Unless the host (that isn't close).........................pob 1433
is busy, hung or dead....................................20915-1433

2252. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 18:23:04 UTC
From: Bert <bert@iphouse.com>
Message-ID: <XnsA1097DFBB1F25VeebleFetzer@216.250.188.140>
Source record: 1519
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

In news:k7rebdoua1@reader1.panix.com David Lesher <wb8foz@panix.com>
wrote:

> Bert <bert@iphouse.com> writes:
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>>Not cooking oil; vegetable or animal derived oils will go rancid over
>>time and don't handle really high temperatures very well. Mineral oil
>>is much more appropriate.
>
>>> transformer oil can be toxic and is difficult to find
>
>>Traditional transformer oil contained PCBs. The new stuff doesn't.
>
>>MFJ sells 1 gallon bottles for $30.
>
> There's been no PCB's in transformer oil (or anything else
> sold...) since 1979. GE is still trying to clean up the Hudson
> River.

I'm old enough that products introduced in 1979 still count as "new
stuff."

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Bert Hyman W0RSB St. Paul, MN bert@iphouse.com

2253. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 19:02:10 UTC
From: dplatt@radagast.org
Message-ID: <imt7n9-gb4.ln1@radagast.org>
Source record: 1520
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

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>http://www.mfjenterprises.com/Product.php?productid=MFJ-21

Another option is to check your local animal-feed store.

Light, food-grade mineral oil is sold as a laxative for horses and
cattle.

One online source I just checked, lists it at $22 for a two-gallon tub.

If you've got a feed store near you, it might be a significantly less
expensive source for this sort of oil - cheaper than MFJ per gallon
and you could save the (considerable) shipping cost.

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Dave Platt <dplatt@radagast.org> AE6EO
Friends of Jade Warrior home page: http://www.radagast.org/jade-warrior
I do _not_ wish to receive unsolicited commercial email, and I will
boycott any company which has the gall to send me such ads!

2254. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 19:40:26 UTC
From: David Lesher <wb8foz@panix.com>
Message-ID: <k7rjba$5bd$1@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 1521
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

dplatt@radagast.org (Dave Platt) writes:

>Another option is to check your local animal-feed store.

>Light, food-grade mineral oil is sold as a laxative for horses and
>cattle.

Only some xfmr oil is mineral-based. I'm not sure what kind of
transformer oil MFJ is selling, and have a query in with them.

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2255. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 19:54:12 UTC
From: Bruce Gordon <fast@btpost.net>
Message-ID: <fast-4CBE12.10541212112012@news.starband.net>
Source record: 1522
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

In article <k7pr23$77i$1@reader1.panix.com>,
David Lesher <wb8foz@panix.com> wrote:

> We need less than a gallon of transformer oil for coolant.
> Does anyone sell such small quantities?

I use standard 32 Wt Turbine Oil (Hydraulic Oil Food Grade)
Hasn't been a problem for my 1Kw Cantenna, for years....

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Bruce in Alaska add path before the @ for email

2256. eHam.net News for Monday 12 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-12 23:05:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614fece22d8d04ce54578b@google.com>
Source record: 1523
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio Association Serves Community, Works with Local Scouts:

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 04:09 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29320

With Hurricane Sandy raging last week along the East Coast, families in California were reminded to always be prepared for an emergency. While the beach cities won't likely see a hurricane, an earthquake or a tsunami are potential threats. When the "big one" comes, it is expected that Southern California cities will be without power for several days, and emergency help may only be available via helicopter, according to reports Mayor Jeff Duclos and Mayor Pro Tem Kit Bobko shared in September after attending California emergency preparedness meetings. Luckily, one room on the corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Pier Avenue stands tall and ready to serve the community.

2257. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 12 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-13 03:44:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd36982b39d04ce583c56@google.com>
Source record: 1524
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios -
Carlsbad Current Argus

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 09:00 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE96rocbzE8H9x41Vb937emWhKTtg&url=http://www.currentargus.com/ci_21977281/mentor-guides-nmsu-engineering-students-they-construct-amateur

Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios
Carlsbad Current Argus
Daniel Cooper and Thomas Buckner, also electrical engineering seniors, built their own ham radios, as well. Hassall has more than 50 years of experience assembling ham radios. "I have been interested in amateur radio all my life," he said. "My mother ...

and more

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Hamfest India 2012 - USA Amateur Radio Exams Session - Southgate Amateur
Radio Club

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 11:40 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFOMkTBxKfcXF6qNSy-kC2iF352Ew&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/hamfest_india_usa_amateur_radio_exams_session.htm

Hamfest India 2012 - USA Amateur Radio Exams Session
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Hamfest India 2012 - USA Amateur Radio Exams Session. Dear all,. We are going to organize USA Amateur Radio License Exams session on 16th Dec-2012 in Radakrishnan salai, Chennai. We are trying to find a location nearer to the Hamfest India-2012 ...

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Digital Amateur Television transmissions in New Zealand - Southgate Amateur
Radio Club

Posted: 12 Nov 2012 12:20 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFZm8UKheKJKIK2yL8NBS6JALE0sg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/digital_amateur_television_transmissions_in_new_zealand.htm

Digital Amateur Television transmissions in New Zealand
Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Many of you will by now have seen the proposed application by the
Wellington VHF Group for a Digital Amateur Television Repeater. Information
missing from the proposal was the frequencies to be used. Many of you have
also asked why has this suddenly ...

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Ham radio in use at city emergency shelter at Cheltenham High -
Philadelphia Daily News

Posted: 29 Oct 2012 01:17 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGf6S4LuG7ZgwgdRsw3E0p3R0Mkow&url=http://www.philly.com/philly/news/20121029_Ham_radio_in_use_at_city_emergency_shelter_at_Cheltenham_High.html

Philadelphia Daily News
Ham radio in use at city emergency shelter at Cheltenham High
Philadelphia Daily News
In addition to 100 cots, three prepared meals a day, a nurse, a
mental-health professional and a generator, the shelter also has two
volunteer amateur-radio operators working 12-hour shifts to provide
emergency communications between the shelter and ...

2258. SEXY VIDEOS YOU MUST SEE MASALA HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-13 10:31:03 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <a2bbe14f-aed2-4c7e-8b49-74cfec4a471e@ah9g2000pbd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1525

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

2259. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 13 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-13 11:06:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044517a377458b04ce5e67e7@google.com>
Source record: 1526
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Polluting Draft Standard EN50561-1:2012 Approved

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rpGBAUseYm0/polluting_draft_standard_en50561-1_2012_approved.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Despite RSGB opposition, the CENELEC Working Group 11 have voted in favour of draft standard EN50561-1:2012 for polluting Power Line Communication apparatus

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Christmas Eve - Ham Radio satellite to flash morse code

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2mhnhKqzUrA/christmas_eve_ham_radio_satellite_to_flash_morse_code.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) the Japanese students who built FITSAT-1 are planning to active the satellite's LED optical array and flash a message in Morse Code to Earth. The Morse message may be visible with the unaided eye

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Short path propagation charts from the UK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g4q4RGPQGJo/propagation_charts_november.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Steve G0KYA has now updated his short path HF propagation charts for the UK for the next three months – November, December and January

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Eclipser One

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DLdSvH64UVI/eclipser_one.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On November 14th, a joint team - Stiinta and Tehnica Magazine, Cairns Ham Radio Club and YO3KSR-Club, will try to launch a helium balloon right in the middle of a solar eclipse from Australian Outback. The balloon will have APRS tracking with YO4SJI-11 callsign

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Science fiction becomes real thanks to ham Fractal Antennas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LFpsczxfMuw/science_fiction_becomes_real_thanks_to_ham_fractal_antennas.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chip W1YW continues to pull new fodder for boffins from a ham radio hat. He recently announced that fractal antenna technology, developed from a need for smaller ham antennas over a quarter of a century ago, has produced both a human invisibility cloak, and a deflector shield

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RSGB Board proceedings released

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FO3NW8gpdtw/rsgb_board_proceedings.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has released the board proceedings for September 21/22 where it was agreed to use WordPress Multisite for the Society's website

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Does anyone listen to AM ?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1ijrcMpLWS4/does_anyone_listen_to_am.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In the last month, the BBC quietly switched off AM radio transmitters to see if anyone noticed - and it seems not a lot of people did

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Mentor guides students as they construct amateur radios

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f7b_iZ5ctHU/mentor_guides_students_as_they_construct_amateur_radios.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Carlsbad Current-Argus reports that students at New Mexico State University are being taught to build ham radio transmitters

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5 MHz Sunset Net frequency change

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-l3yCwgQwIc/5_mhz_sunset_net_frequency_change.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Paul G4MWO reports the Sunday evening Sunset Net is moving to 5398.5 kHz

2260. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 13 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-13 17:17:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405e9896c5104ce639664@google.com>
Source record: 1527
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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W4d-discovery day of puerto rico special event

Posted: 12 Nov 2012 09:58 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368116-W4d-discovery-day-of-puerto-rico-special-event&goto=newpost

the western amateur radio club NP3M,will be celebrating the special event conmemorating the day of the discovery of Puerto Rico with the special call W4D.go to air on november 18,19,20 2012.bands:general portions of 10-40 meters.qsl avaliable via WP4SD with sase (#10 envelope) for locals & usa stations.outside of usa please send sae (#10 envelope)with 2 green stamps.not irc`s please.hope copy on the bands.73`s.

On September 25, 1493, Christopher Columbus set sail on his second voyage with 17 ships and 1,200□1,500 men from Cádiz.[6] On November 19, 1493 he landed on the island, naming it San Juan Bautista in honor of Saint John the Baptist.a name that was later supplanted by puerto rico (rich port).

info from wikipedia.

2261. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 13 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-13 17:24:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5024ee163e9104ce63af43@google.com>
Source record: 1528
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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YARP Ep. 4 Getting on the Air, Mic Fright, How Repeaters Work, and HF

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 04:51 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368038-YARP-Ep-4--Getting-on-the-Air-Mic-Fright-How-Repeaters-Work-and-HF&goto=newpost

Episode 4 of the Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast, Getting on the Air, Getting over Mic Fright, How Repeaters work, and how HF works is now available on yarphams.com, itunes, and our RSS feed. In this episode we discuss the basics of getting on the air to understanding repeaters. As always, thank you for listening and don□t hesitate to contact us with comments and suggestions.

-The YARP Team-

2262. eHam.net News for Tuesday 13 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-13 23:06:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9d7c11846da8e04ce687937@google.com>
Source record: 1529
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Mentor Guides NMSU Engineering Students As They Construct Amateur Radios:

Posted: 12 Nov 2012 04:17 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29322

LAS CRUCES -- A group of New Mexico State University electrical engineering students has succeeded in building ultra-low power radio transmitters that reach as far as Australia and New Zealand, with less than 200 milliwatts of power. Working under the leadership of faculty adviser Robert Hull, Professor Vojin G. Oklobdzija and mentor David Hassall, the group is fulfilling a senior capstone project requirement. Growing up in northern New Mexico, Hassall wanted to study engineering at NMSU after his stint in the U.S. Navy, but could not afford it. He is now achieving his goal of being part of the university community, through his work with the electrical engineering students. He and Oklobdzija met through their amateur radio activities. "I immediately recognized the potential Hassall can bring to our students with his life-long experience in electronics, as well as long career as a communication officer in the U.S. Navy," Oklobdzija said. "The most important challenge we face here is motivating our students. The reason for the lack of motivation is because the students do not see the applications and the value of the material we are teaching. "I decided to bring Hassall in and start a very challenging project with the help of a group of enthusiastic students selected for this task. With this project, we are challenging everything they have learned." Said Hassall: "All of the students were new to this. They had to obtain their Federal Communications Commission amateur radio licenses to operate the equipment. This was uncharted territory for them, but they got it done, got their radios working. All four of them built their transmitters from scratch."
Hassall's FCC-issued call sign is WA5DJJ.

2263. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 13 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 03:16:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f23554587885504ce6bf66e@google.com>
Source record: 1530
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Chadron man has a passion for ham radio - Rapid City Journal

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 01:24 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHgi3V-71hfb3JA-LApJv50txshMA&url=http://rapidcityjournal.com/news/local/communities/chadron/chadron-man-has-a-passion-for-ham-radio/article_e6d24320-2dd6-11e2-8fd6-001a4bcf887a.html

Chadron man has a passion for ham radio
Rapid City Journal
Two walls are covered with certificates, some yellowing with age, attesting to participation in a variety of amateur radio activities. A couple of cabinets bulge with card files, recording the contacts Cashon has made over his 54 years as a ham radio ...

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Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios - Las Cruces Sun-News

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 04:07 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGpWkJ0uv6ZkENPJRkUk0CKh3b1Eg&url=http://www.lcsun-news.com/las_cruces-news/ci_21977281/mentor-guides-nmsu-engineering-students-they-construct-amateur

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Las Cruces Sun-News
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BDARA attends meeting in Vietnam - The Borneo Post

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 04:19 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHgM5ILWrfuSYHTcFPvDJ-wrO8QjQ&url=http://www.theborneopost.com/2012/11/14/bdara-attends-meeting-in-vietnam/

BDARA attends meeting in Vietnam
The Borneo Post
BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN: Ho Chi Min City, Vietnam – The Brunei Darussalam Amateur Radio Association (BDARA) recently took part in the 15th International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 (IARU Rg 3) in Ho Chi Min City, Vietnam, Borneo Bulletin reported ...

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Science fiction becomes real thanks to ham Fractal Antennas - Southgate
Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 12 Nov 2012 11:20 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG99MrjUV5A10SdeAzPV6dLCDrNIQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/science_fiction_becomes_real_thanks_to_ham_fractal_antennas.htm

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Christmas Eve - Ham Radio satellite to flash morse code - Southgate Amateur
Radio Club

Posted: 12 Nov 2012 11:44 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEfcxJqo2ycvXvUfS5I4U1b04LFTg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/christmas_eve_ham_radio_satellite_to_flash_morse_code.htm

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Earth. The Morse message may be ...

2264. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 14 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 07:39:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399697e9a62b04ce6fa0a9@google.com>
Source record: 1531
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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HAM FEST INDIA 2012

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 10:01 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368232-HAM-FEST-INDIA-2012&goto=newpost

The HAM festival comes back to Chennai after a gap of 10 years! The event promises to be very exciting and rewarding for Ham community and the public. Activities like Foxhunt, public awareness, field day, Jamboree on air, Information on Ham radio repeaters, cultural programs, Great food etc.The grand gala event has been planned to be held at AVM Rajeswari Hall, Dr RK Salai, Chennai, on Dec 15 and 16 of 2012. FOR FURTHER DETAILS KINDLY LOKK IN TO THE WEB SITE www.hamfestindia2012.com

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Indiana ARRL Convention - Fort Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo Nov 17 - 18, 2012

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 07:52 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368221-Indiana-ARRL-Convention-Fort-Wayne-Hamfest-amp-Computer-Expo-Nov-17-18-2012&goto=newpost

The Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society is pleased to host the 2012 Fort Wayne hamfest and Computer Expo on November 17 and 18. The Fort Wayne hamfest is the largest in Indiana and hosts the Indiana Section ARRL Convention all indoors at the Fort Wayne Memorial Coliseum. This year's hamfest has an added attraction of an Emergency Communications Roundup display area. ARES/RACES teams from around the state will have displays and demonstrations including two mobile command trailers.

More details, maps, speaker forums, and participating vendors can be found at ACARTS.com

Thousands of hams from Indiana and surrounding states attend each year. Hope to see you at the Fort Wayne hamfest!

2265. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 14 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 12:47:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd36998986904ce73eee5@google.com>
Source record: 1532
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Mysterious Chinese signals on our bands

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7yKGj5Jjn1Y/mysterious_chinese_signals_on_our_bands.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wolf, DK2OM, Coordinator IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1 reports on strange Chinese signals in the amateur radio bands

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BBC WWII Radio Broadcasts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3GmDXhVdyX0/bbc_ww2_radio_broadcasts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During World War II the BBC's radio broadcasts were not independent but were overseen by the Political Warfare Executive (PWE)

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First lesson of Superstorm Sandy: Improve communication

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jYi6eJZkeUs/first_lesson_of_superstorm_sandy_improve_communication.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Darren Hayes, professor, Pace University's Seidenberg School of Computer Science and Information Systems reports in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy

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Online Sudden Ionospheric Disturbances (SID) monitoring station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ca3tsVpa9dY/online_sudden_ionospheric_disturbances_monitoring_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tarif Rashid Santo has made his Solar Radio Telescope available online. He provides live data from his IONX Solar Radio Telescope in Demra, Dhaka, Bangladesh

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Coronal Mass Ejection Impact

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eMMTbSlt_oA/coronal_mass_ejection_impac

t.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An interplanetary shock wave (probably the leading edge of a CME) hit
Earth's magnetic field on November 12 at approximately 2300 UT, filling
skies over northern Scandinavia with bright auroras

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Lesotho DXpedition

Posted:
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source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An international team of operators will arrive in Lesotho on November 21st,
and leave on December 4th. The operation will take place between November
23rd and December 3rd, using the callsign 7P8D

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K7AGE builds the Elecraft KX3 HF transceiver

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QORyXESRciE/k7age_builds_the_elecraft_k
x3_hf_transceiver.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Randy Hall K7AGE recently bought a Elecraft KX3 HF transceiver. This HD
video shows him assembling it

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Chadron man has a passion for ham radio

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or_ham_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Rapid City Journal carries a story on Ron Cashon K0PTK, a member of the
Pine Ridge Amateur Radio Club

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QSL Manager offer

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/plMCBdrw-Qc/qsl_manager_offer.htm?utm_s
ource=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Harry de Jong PA3249 has contacted us with the offer of becoming a QSL
Manager for anyone needing such services

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Unique special event from Alaska and the Yukon

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Jx_Y6Glxlk8/unique_special_event_from_a
laska_and_the_yukon.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

'Yukon John', KL7JR, says: Time frame is June or July, 2013. If you were
planning a trip to Alaska or the Yukon, bring the family and make a

vacation out of it

2266. December 2012 QST - Digital Edition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 17:29:40 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121114132350.D300025A13@bmail.arrl.org>
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touch.

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Steve Ford, WB8IMY
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2267. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 14 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 18:14:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba25dc35018db904ce788069@google.com>
Source record: 1534
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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VHF REPEATER @ TRICHUR/S.INDIA VU2TWC IS ACTIVE 144.200 +600Khz

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 03:35 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368207-VHF-REPEATER-TRICHUR-S-INDIA-VU2TWC-IS-ACTIVE-144-200-600Khz&goto=newpost

VHF REPEATER @ TRICHUR/S.INDIA VU2TWC IS ACTIVE 144.200 +600Khz. TRY THIS
CITY REPEATER THOSE WHO ARE PASS THROUGH...

73,s DE VU2JET SINTO ANTONY

2268. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 14 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 18:34:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fce3b5df04ce78c98d@google.com>
Source record: 1535
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

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2013 Kansas Day at Santa Fe Trail Stage Coach Stop

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 07:59 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368339-2013-Kansas-Day-at-Santa-Fe-Trail-Stage-Coach-Stop&goto=newpost

January 26, 2013 1600Z - 2100Z, Olathe, Ks. Santa Fe Trail Amateur Radio Club 2013 Kansas Day at Santa Fe Trail Stage CoachStop. SSB/CW 10, 15, 17, 20, 40 m, 28.320,31.320, 14.250, 10.115(CW)7.250. QSL KSØKS, P O Box 3144, Olathe Ks 66063-1144, eQSL &LOTW KS0KS. Contact Mike Costello - KBØISQ, kb0isq@arrl.net

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NRA Special Event Station K7NRA

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 08:19 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368222-NRA-Special-Event-Station-K7NRA&goto=newpost

The Yavapai Amateur Radio Club will operate a special event station November 17, 2012, in celebration of the NRA□s 141st birthday. The station will operate from the Gunsite Academy□s 2,000-acre campus north of Prescott, AZ. The special event call sign will be K7NRA, an FCC-licensed amateur radio station. It will conduct operations on the following amateur frequencies from 1500Z to 2400Z. The event will operate on 7.250, 14.050, 14.250 and 21.335 MHz. A unique NRA/Gunsite certificate will be provided to those stations contacted during the event. QSL with a 9" x 12" self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

W7YRC,

PO Box 11994

Prescott, AZ 86304

More Info can be found at www.w7yrc.org. See you on the Air

73's KI6AHH,

Tony

2269. [DXNL] DXNL 1806 (Nov 14, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 22:55:57 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <752757046.20121114193714@dxhf.darc.de>
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5T, MAURITANIA
Jean,ON8RA, will be active as 5T0JL from Nouakchott on Nov 16. He will be part of the 5T0SP DXpedition (Nov 24-Dec 10). QSL via ON8RA.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA
Before going to VK9 (see below) Seppo,OH1VR, and Henri,OH3JR, will be QRV as 9M2/homecalls in CW, SSB and RTTY on 160m-6m until Nov 15.
QSLs via homecalls, unfortunately only direct (SAE + IRC or 2 USD).

A3, TONGA
Mat,JA1JQY (A31JY), Sasi,JA1KJW (A31KJ), Karl,JA3MCA (A31MA), and Kuni,JA8VE (A31VE), are working in SSB, CW and RTTY on 160m-10m until Nov 15. QSLs via homecalls.

C5, GAMBIA
Pedro,ON7WP/AA9HX, is active as C5WP from Sami (Loc IK13uj) until Nov 18. Due to his QRL (installing a local tourism organization) he is only sporadically QRV from his QTH with a free view over the Atlantic.
He uses an IC706 with 50 watts, dipoles or MP1 on 40m-10m especially on 7145, 14345, 18145, 21345, 24945 and 28445 kHz.
QSL via ON7WP, unfortunately only direct, donations are welcome for:
http://www.africajeepsafari.com/

D2, ANGOLA
After a two week vacation in the Maldives, Mike,UA1QV, will be heading back to work in Vila de Catoca (LOC KI00dn) about 30 km from Saurimo.
Once again he will be active as D3AA from Nov 15 until Feb 15.
Reports indicate that he is taking with him a 2 ele 40m rotatable quad and a fixed 2 ele 80m quad antenna. QSL via UA1QV.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS, OC-013
Henrik,OZ6TL, will be active in holiday style signing E51TLA from Rarotonga (OC-013) in CW and RTTY between Nov 18 and Dec 8.

QSL via OZ6TL, LoTW.

EL, LIBERIA
the VooDoo Contest Group is active again from the capital Monrovia
for the 24th time from Nov 17-27. They plan to join the WWDX CW Contest
in the M/M category as EL2A. Outside of the contest the operators will
use their own personal callsigns Ned,AA7A (EL2ES), Roger,G3SXW (EL2A),
Fred,G4BWP (EL2WP), John,G4IRN (EL2RN), Mike,KC7V (EL2MF),
Lee,KY7M (EL2LF), and Bud,N7CW (EL2CW). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW
and ClubLog (with OQRS) as soon as possible.
QSLs for EL2WP via G5LP, all others via their homecalls.

F, FRANCE
Rodrigue,F8DFO, and Jeremy,F4DVJ, are going to activate the special
event station TM2VD until Nov 18, from Dec 7-12 and from Jan 2-4, 2013,
in memory of Robert Delrue, F3VD. Operations will take place in CW,
SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m. QSL via F8DFO.

I, ITALY
The special event station II5TNA remembers the 10th anniversary of the
death of Roberto,I5TNA, until Nov 30. QSL via IZ5JLW.
See also: http://www.ariversilia.it

JT, MONGOLIA
Mongolian HAMs are celebrating the 850th birthday of Chinggis Khan
with several special event stations using the special prefix JU850
from Nov 14-21. They have also a special award.
See: http://www.mrsf.mn/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&
id=85&Itemid=101&lang=en

P4, ARUBA, SA-036
John,W2GD, is active as P40W from Nov 18-29, incl. the WWDX CW Contest.
He will be QRV in SSB on 30m/17m/12m before and after the contest.
QSL via N2MM, LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE, SA-006
Kelly,N0VD, Scott,W4PA, and maybe also other OPs will show up as PJ4D
in all modes on all bands from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA 1279, Loc FK52nc,
WFF PAFF-024) from Nov 18 until Dec 1. PJ4D was activated during the
"New DXCC Entity Activation" with almost 36.000 QSOs in Oct 2010.
They plan to join the WWDX CW Contest as well.
QSL via W3HNK, unfortunately only direct. See also: http://www.n0vd.com
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John,PJ4/K4BAI, Jeff,PJ4/KU8E, Paul,PJ4/K1XM, and Al,PJ4/W1FJ, will be
QRV from Ricon on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA 1279, WFF PAFF-024) from
Nov 20-27. Listen for PJ4A in the WWDX CW Contest.
QSLs for PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI and PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI;
PJ4/K1XM and PJ4/W1FJ via homecalls, both unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.pj4g.com

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN, NA-105
Kazu,7L4XDT (PJ7XK), and Masa,JN3NFQ (PJ7I), are going to visit

Sint Maarten (NA-105) from Nov 18-24 and will be QRV with two stations
in CW, SSB and digital modes on HF and 6m.
QSLs for PJ7XK via 7L4XDT, QSLs for PJ7I via JG2BRI.
Logsearch available at ClubLog. See also: http://www.qsl.net/pj7i

PY, BRAZIL
Several Brazilian HAMs will activate the special event station ZV7O
from the FLIPORTO 2012 (Festa Literaria Internacional de Pernambuco)
on Nov 17/18. They have issued a special award as well. QSL via PY7JN.
See also: http://www.fliporto.net/fliporto2012/en/fliporto-2012 and
http://labre-pe.spaceblog.com.br/

PZ, SURINAME
Yuri,VE3DZ, will be QRV as PZ5T from Nov 20-27 and in the WWDX Contest.
He will work in CW, SSB and RTTY before and after the contest.
QSL via homecall.

SV, GREECE
All licensees in Greece are allowed to work on HF now, CW knowledge is
not necessary anymore. The current SW prefixes of the former VHF/UHF
HAMs are changed to SV while keeping the suffix, SW1XYZ is SV1XYZ then.
The J4 special callsigns will expire at the end of the year and will
not be issued anymore. Instead they will use SW prefixes, SW9C was QRV
already. One fo the last chances to work J43J (most likely on 10m)
will be during the WWDX CW Contest. QSL for J43J via DJ5JH.

TJ, CAMEROON
Nicolas,F8FQX (ex-5T5SN, ex-TN5SN), will stay in Yaounde (Loc JJ53su)
for the next three or four years. At the moment he is waiting for his
licence, he has applied for TJ3SN. Details are not known. Stay tuned!

VK9/LH, LORD HOWE ISLAND, OC-004
Seppo,VK9/OH1VR, and Henri,VK9/OH3JR, are planning to activate
Lord Howe Island (OC-004, VKFF-295, Loc QF98) in CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m-6m
from Nov 17-27, including the WWDX CW Contest.
QSLs via homecall, unfortunately only direct (SAE + IRC or 2 USD).
See: http://personal.inet.fi/private/oh3jr and http://www.oh1vr.net

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Mike,KI4MRH, is working as T6MH on 80m-10m (not on 30m) in SSB and
digital modes (PSK-31/PSK-63/JT-65) until Oct 2013. He runs 100 watts
in SSB and 30 watts in digital modes with 40m Inverted Vee and
20m vertical. Only eQSLs available at the moment but Mike wants to
create a LoTW account as well. Paper QSLs only direct via homecall.

YN, NICARAGUA
Mike,AJ9C, announced to be QRV as YN2CC from Grenada in Nicaragua
(Loc EK71au) from Nov 20-28, incl. the SOLP category of the WWDX CW.
He works in CW, SSB and RTTY (with 3 ele Quad for 6m @ 65') on 160m-6m.
QSL via homecall (QRZ.com).

STAMPS: Those who think US Dollars are too unsafe and IRCs are too expensive
should consider the use of a SASE. Stamps can be obtained from a stamp

dealer or at the following webshops: http://herrickstamp.com
http://www.arvelo.net/N2MZZ/N2MZZ-V02/nomenu-w-plum-site.html
http://www.briefmarken-schneider.ch

CW OPs wanted: Two CW op's are needed for D4C during the ARRL 10m Contest.
If you are interested please contact Fabio,I4UFH. See: http://d4c.cc

DXCC: Following DXpeditions of 2012 were approved for DXCC credit:
5X1EME, TT8TT, VU7M, ZD9UW

LoTW: After some maintenance the LoTW is now back online since Nov 9.
No data was lost.

SILENT KEYS: Frank Scotland, ZF1GC, passed away at the age of 94.
Marjoke (Mary),ZS5V, XYL of Joost,ZS5S, informs us that her husband
became a silent key on Oct 29 after a 3 month battle with cancer.
He died peacefully at home.
Pieter Botha ("The African Cowboy"),ZS4PB, passed away on November 7,
aged 86. Pieter was a Topband DXer and one of the best known African
DXers of the past 60 years.
Our condolences and sympathy are with their families and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost them, but grateful that we could
get to know them as a radio friend. We will always keep them in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 16 UFT-YL-CW Contest (80m)
Nov 17 South America SSB Contest
Nov 17 UFT-YL-CW Contest (40m)
Nov 17/18 RSGB 1.8 MHz Contest
Nov 17/18 LZ DX Contest
Nov 17/18 All Austrian 160m Contest 2012
Nov 18 HOT Party
Nov 24/25 CQ WWDX Contest, CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-003, ZD8, Ascension Island: Oliver,W6NV, will be QRV as ZD8W on all HF
bands from Ascension Island (WLOTA 1491) from Nov 18-30, incl. WWDX CW.
QSL only direct via W6NV.

AF-014, CT3, Madeira Archipelago: Arno,DL1CW, Ulf,DL5AXX, Frank,DL8WAA,
Uli,DJ2YA, Falk,DK7YY, Gena,UA9MA, Mike,UA9PM, and Ruslan,UA9ONJ,
plan to show up as CT9/homecalls from Santana on Madeira (AF-014,
DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, DPRN FF-101, WFF CTFF-030, WLOTA 0053) from
Nov 20-27. They will sign CR3L in the M2 class of the WWDX CW Contest.

QSLs via homecalls, CR3L via DJ6QT.

AN-007, VP8/SG, South Georgia Islands: Like announced before Mike,GM0HCQ/mm,
is active from onboard the Royal Research Ship "James Clark Ross" from
the South Atlantic. Whilst in Antarctic and Falkland Islands waters he
uses the call VP8CMH/mm, at all other times he uses GM0HCQ/mm. The ship
will stop at the base "M" (WAP GBR-24/WFF GFF-023) at King Edward Point
on South Georgia (AN-007) on Nov 18/19. Mike hopes this will be an
overnight stop which would increase the time of being active as VP8SGK.
He works only in SSB. QSLs for all calls only direct via GM0HCQ.
See also: http://www.gm0hcq.com

EU-026, JW, Spitsbergen Island: Jorn,LA1U, Borge,LA4KQ, and Olav,LA9OI, are
going to hit the airwaves from the QTH of JW5E on Svalbard signing
JW1U (Jorn), JW4KQ (Borge) and JW9OI (Olav) from Nov 22-26.
Nevertheless they will join the WWDX CW Contest as JW5E.
Their own QSLs via homecalls. QSLs for JW5E direct (see QRZ.com).
See also: http://www.jw5e.com

NA-002, VP5, Caicos Islands: Dave,W5CW, will again be QRV from the VP5JM
"Hamlet" on Providenciales Island (NA-002, Loc FL31vs) signing VP5/W5CW
in CW and SSB on 160m-6m from Nov 20 until Dec 11. Dave's main focus
will be the upcoming WWDX CW Contest (Nov 24/25), using the call VP5CW.
On 6m he will monitor 50.125 MHz USB.
QSLs for VP5/W5CW and VP5CW only direct via W5CW.

NA-018, OX, Greenland: Henning,OZ1BII, will sign XP2I from Kangerlussuaq
(Sondrestromfjord, WLOTA 0072, WFF OZFF-006, Loc GP47pa) on Nov 17/18,
during the LZ DX CW (SOABLP). He plans to show up in CW on 80m and the
Top Band on Nov 18 around 2200 UTC and on Nov 19. QSL via OZ1BII.

NA-021, 8P, Barbados: Dave,WJ2O, will be QRV as 8P9DF mainly in Cw on the HF
bands from the Surfsong Resort on Barbados (WLOTA 0999, Loc GK03gd)
from Nov 20-28, including the WWDX CW. Before and after the contest he
prefers to work on the WARC bands. QSL via WJ2O (d).
See also: http://www.wj2o.com

NA-080, C6, Little Bahama Bank group: Bob,N4BP (C6AKQ), Tim,N4UM (C6ARU),
and Mike,K4RUM (C6AUM), want to hand out a few IOTA points from
Grand Bahama Island (WLOTA 0527, Loc FL06pm) between Nov 20 and Dec 11.
This operation includes activities during the WWDX CW, ARRL 160m and
ARRL 10m Contests. Before and after the contests Tim,C6ARU, will focus
on the digital modes (e.g. PSK31, Olivia and RTTY) and Bob,C6AKQ, will
be active in CW on 160m-6m.
QSLs for C6AKQ via N4BP (d), C6ARU via N4UM (bureau/direct) and
C6AUM via K4RUM (bureau/direct).

NA-101, J7, Dominica: Thomas,K7ZZ, is staying on Dominica again for 14 days
starting on Nov 14. Listen for J75Z on the HF bands including the
WWDX CW Contest. QSL direct via K7ZZ. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

NA-105, FS, St. Martin: John,FS/K9EL, and Nick,FS/K9NB, will be QRV from
St. Martin (DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383) in CW/SSB/RTTY on 80m-10m from

Nov 20-28, including the WWDX CW Contest. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW
and Clublog after his return home. QSLs via homecalls.
See also: http://www.k9el.com

NA-107, FM, Martinique: Dimitry,UT5UGR, is going to visit again Ducos on
Martinique (DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041) and plans to become active as
FM/KL7WA from Nov 19-26. He will join the WWDX CW as TO7A.
QSLs for both calls via UT5UGR (d). See also: http://www.ut5ugr.com

SA-014, PY0/S, St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks: The PT0S DXpedition announced
in last DXNL extended its stay to join the WWDX CW Contest as well.

SA-036, P4, Aruba Island: Valery,R5GA, will be QRV again from the QTH of
P49V on Aruba (WLOTA 0033, Loc FK52am) signing P4/R5GA from Nov 18-26.
He will sign P40F in the WWDX CW Contest.
QSLs for both calls via UA3DX (bureau/direct).

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

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-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
09Nov-09Jan 4S7KKG 1805
10Nov-14Nov 5B/DC8MH 1805
10Nov-14Nov 5B/DL4ABO 1805
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798
10Nov-09Dec 5R8IC 1805
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-09Nov 5T5BV 1804
-15Dec 5X1NH 1801/1802
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unknown 8Q7HA 1796
unknown 9G5ZS 1795
unknown 9J2JA 1796
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
11Nov-15Nov 9M2/OH1VR.. 1806 *
30Oct-26Dec 9M2MRS 1803
Resident 9V1KK 1803
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

Resident A22LL 1803
-15Nov A31JY.. 1806 *
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
08Nov-15Nov A5A 1805
-10Mar BM0LF.. 1805
11Nov-18Nov C5WP 1806 *
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
Resident CD6713 1805
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
20Nov-11Dec C6AKQ 1806 *
20Nov-11Dec C6ARU 1806 *
20Nov-11Dec C6AUM 1806 *
24Nov-25Nov CR3L 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/DJ2YA 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/DK7YY 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/DL1CW 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/DL5AXX 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/DL8WAA 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/UA9MA 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/UA9ONJ 1806 *
20Nov-27Nov CT9/UA9PM 1806 *
-Dec CW90A 1805
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784

-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
05Nov-15Feb D3AA 1806 *
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
20Nov-27Nov CT9/DL1CW.. 1806 *
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
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-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791
12Nov-30Nov E51ABS 1805

12Nov-30Nov E51BZD 1805
12Nov-30Nov E51C 1805
12Nov-30Nov E51CHX 1805
12Nov-19Nov E51KBR 1805
18Nov-08Dec E51TLA 1806 *
-31Dec E720RS 1770
-22Nov EA8/DL5OK 1804
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
17Nov-27Nov EL2A 1806 *
unknown ET3AA 1805
-30Nov EV200BP.. 1805

-01Mar FH8NX 1747
19Nov-26Nov FM/KL7WA.. 1806 *
20Nov-28Nov FS/K9EL.. 1806 *
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Nov GX4BJC/A .. 1805
17Oct-10Dec H44MS 1802
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Nov-15Dec HF70TWARDY 1804
-31Dec HG90ST 1804
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
18Sep-18Nov HK3JCL 1762/1797
-30Nov II5TNA 1806 *
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763

-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
24Nov/25Nov J43J 1806 *
14Nov-27Nov J75Z 1806 *
-17Dec J79WTA 1804
22Nov-26Nov JW1U 1806 *
-Nov JW2US 1791/1797
22Nov-26Nov JW4KQ 1806 *
24Nov-25Nov JW5E 1806 *
22Nov-26Nov JW9OI 1806 *
14Nov-21Nov JU850AA.. 1806 *
-Mar K6H 1803
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
long term KP2/NQ3X 1799/1803
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
Resident OD5RW 1799
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
-15Nov ON44CLM 1802
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790

-Nov OZ/KH6DXX 1804

-31Dec P3EU 1786
18Nov-26Nov P4/R5GA 1806 *
24Nov-25Nov P40F 1806 *
18Nov-29Nov P40W 1806 *
06Nov-15Nov PJ2/DB5IJ.. 1804
20Nov-27Nov PJ4/K4BAI.. 1806 *
18Nov-01Dec PJ4D 1806 *
09Nov-16Nov PJ4X 1805
18Nov-24Nov PJ7XK.. 1806 *
10Nov-25Nov PT0S 1805/1806 *
20Nov-27Nov PZ5T 1806 *
-15Jan S505SLG 1803
-15Jan S512IAPMC 1803
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
09Nov-24Nov S79NU 1805
-Feb/13 T6LG 1795
-Oct/13 T6MH 1806 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-2015? TJ3SN (?) 1806 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
11Nov-18Nov TM2VD 1806 *
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
-15Nov TM7VG 1805
24Nov-25Nov TO7A 1806 *

-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
11Nov-23Nov V84SMD 1805
05Nov-18Nov VI6ARG30 1804
17Nov-27Nov VK9/OH1VR.. 1806 *
05Nov-19Nov VP2MGZ 1804
05Nov-19Nov VP2MYL 1804
20Nov-11Dec VP5/W5CW 1806 *
24Nov-25Nov VP5CW 1806 *
unknown VP8CMH/mm.. 1804
unknown VP8DFR 1803
18Nov-19Nov VP8SGK 1806 *
05Nov-19Nov VP9KF 1804
-Nov VQ9JC 1755/1793
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800
Nov W2WSC/100.. 1805
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
27Oct-25Nov XL3A 1803
17Nov-19Nov XP2I 1806 *
Nov XV1LC.. 1804
11Nov-17Nov YB26SEAG 1805
unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
20Nov-28Nov YN2CC 1806 *
01Nov-16Nov YS1/NO7B 1804
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unknown Z88Z 1800
18Nov-30Nov ZD8W 1806 *
unknown ZD9KX 1795
-Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
17Nov-18Nov ZV7O 1806 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3A/ON5UR via M0URX (B/OQRS), (L)
3A/ON8AK via M0URX (B/OQRS), (L)
D3AA via UA1QV (B)
4S7KKG via DC0KK (B), (L)
5R8IO via IW1GIO
5T0JL via ON8RA (QRZ.com)
5Z4/SM1TDE via SM1TDE (B)
8J50YAX/5 via JA5YAX (B)
8P9DF via WJ2O (d)
9A/IZ3NXC via IZ3NXC (B)
9M2/OH1VR via OH1VR (d)
9M2/OH3JR via OH3JR (d)
9N7CB via DL2GAN (B)
A31JY via JA1JQY (B)
A31KJ via JA1KJW (B)
A31MA via JA3MCA (B)
A31VE via JA8VE (B)
AH2EA via JF2WGN (B)
AH2J/KH0 via JR1VAY (B)
C5WP via ON7WP (d)
C6AKQ via N4BP (d)
C6ARU via N4UM (B)
C6AUM via K4RUM (B)
C6AXY via W9XY (B)
CR3L via DJ6QT (B)
CT9/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
CT9/DL8WAA via DL8WAA (B)
CT9/DJ2YA via DJ2YA (B)
CT9/DK7YY via DK7YY (B)
CT9/UA9MA via UA9MA (B)
CT9/UA9PM via UA9PM
CT9/UA9ONJ via UA9ONJ
D2HD via NI5DX (B), (*)
DA9L via DO1BEN (B)
DL3KZA/YB8FL via DL3KZA (B)
E51TLA via OZ6TL (d), (L)
EL2A via G3SXW, (L), ClubLog OQRS
EL2CW via N7CW, (L), ClubLog OQRS
EL2ES via AA7A, (L), ClubLog OQRS

EL2LF via KY7M, (L), ClubLog OQRS
EL2MF via KC7V, (L), ClubLog OQRS
EL2RN via G4IRN, (L), ClubLog OQRS
EL2WP via G5LP, (L), ClubLog OQRS
EO5UFF via US5UFF (B)
FM/KL7WA via UT5UGR (d)
FS/K9EL via K9EL (B), (L), ClubLog
FS/K9NB via K9NB, (B), (L), ClubLog
GB4WLR via 2E1HQY (B)
II5TNA via IZ5JLW
HB9IRC/p via HB9IRC (B)
HF8W via SP8GWI
HI8CSS via EA5GL (d)
HZ1TT via IZ8CLM (B)
II1DCI via IK1GPG (B)
II5TNA via IZ5JLW
II7IAOI via IZ7AUH (B)
IY1EY via IK1QBT (B)
J43J via DJ5JH (B)
J75Z via K7ZZ (d), (L)
JW1U via LA1U (B)
JW4KQ via LA4KQ (B)
JW5E (d) (QRZ.com)
JW9OI via LA9OI (B)
JX5O via M0URX (B), (L), (*)
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d)
KH2/JI3CEY via JI3CEY (B)
KP4ES via NP3O
KP2/W1EQ via W1EQ (B), (L)
LT2H via LU3HIP
LX7I via LX2A (B)
LX9LTE via LX3PR (B)
LZ1620PPZ via LZ1KCP (B)
OP7M via ON4SA (d)
ON4CRD/p via ON4CRD (B)
P29VCX via SM6CVX (B)
P4/R5GA via UA3DX (B)
P40A via UA3DX (B)
P40W via N2MM (B), (L)
PJ2/DB5IJ via DB5IJ
PJ2/DF9MV via DF9MV (B)
PJ2/DL5MFL via DL5MFL (B)
PJ4/K1XM via K1XM (d)
PJ4/K4BAI via K4BAI (B), e-Mail
PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI (B), e-Mail
PJ4/W1FJ via W1FJ (d)
PJ4A via K4BAI (B), e-Mail
PJ4D via W3HNK (d)
PJ7I via JG2BRI
PJ7XK via 7L4XDT

PT0S via HA7RY (B)
PZ5T via VE3DZ (B)
R1812MB via RW3XS (B)
RA/DL6KV via DL6KV (B)
SV0XCA/5 via LZ1WL (B)
SV9/KI1G via KI1G (d)
T6MH via KI4MRH (d), (L), eQSL
TA4/DL2DXA via DL2DXA (B)
TM2VD via F8DFO (B)
TO7A via UT5UGR (d)
UK/UA4WHX via UA4WHX (B), (L)
UN5J via W3HNK (d)
UN7GDB via RW6HS (d)
VK6WDI via VK6YS (d), eQSL
VK9/OH1VR via OH1VR (d)
VK9/OH3JR via OH3JR (d)
VP2MGZ via DL7AFS (B)
VP5/W5CW via W5CW (d)
VP5CW via W5CW (d)
VP8SGK via GM0HCQ (d), (L)
W3HF/KH2 via W3HF (B)
XP2I via OZ1BI (B), (L)
XV2IARU via 3W2KA
YN2CC via AJ9C (QRZ.com)
YQ0U via YO5BFJ (B)
ZD8W via W6NV (d)
ZF2AH via W6VNR (B)
ZV7O via PY7JN
ZW1CF via PY1QW (d)

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(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
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OK2KFK, OK2KR, ON7KJW, OZ3FS, RU6YZ, RZ3PJ, S57ET,
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2270. eHam.net News for Wednesday 14 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-14 23:08:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a14875b26b604ce7c9d70@google.com>
Source record: 1537
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Flagler Students to Radio Astronauts in Space:

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 04:18 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29327

PALM COAST -- Students learning about amateur radio will get to speak to astronauts in space.
This week, Indian Trails Middle School will use an amateur radio speak to one of the astronauts orbiting Earth on the International Space Station. The school was selected based on a proposal from the Flagler Palm Coast Amateur Radio Club.

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Chadron Man has a Passion for Ham Radio:

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 04:16 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29326

Entering Ron Cashon's favorite room in his small house on Belle Fourche St. in Kenwood can seem a bit like stepping back in time, to a point when radio shack referred not to a national chain of electronics stores but to a place where a hobbyist sat in front of lighted dials and glowing vacuum tubes, tuning in distant voices from around the world through static filled background noise. Parts of the tiny room fits that nostalgic picture perfectly. A chair pulled up to a crowded desk faces a bank of black faced radios, with dials and switches galore. Two walls are covered with certificates, some yellowing with age, attesting to participation in a variety of amateur radio activities. A couple of cabinets bulge with card files, recording the contacts Cashon has made over his 54 years as a 'ham' radio operator. But a computer set up on a small tray next to the desk, and the digital readouts on many of the radios show that not everything in Cashon's hideaway dates from an earlier era of electronic communication. And the aftermath of natural disasters like the 'super storm' called Sandy that hit the East Coast last week, Cashon believes, shows the relevance of ham radio operators and their equipment in the age of cell phone and internet communications.

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The 11-Year Solar Cycle Continues During Prolonged Sunspot Minima:

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 04:14 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29325

Drawing on two independent ice core records, Owens et al. modeled the open solar flux back to 1610, a period that includes the Maunder Minimum, a 65-year stretch starting in 1650 when astronomers observed hardly any sunspots. They find that during this period, beryllium-10 isotope concentrations continued to oscillate following the roughly 11-year solar cycle, despite the dearth of sunspots.

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M6 Solar Flare Heading Towards Earth:

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 04:13 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29324

NASA said that the sun emitted a mid-level solar flare on Tuesday that has the potential of causing some radio blackouts. The solar flare reached a classification of M6, which falls into the weakest flares that are still able to cause some space weather effects near Earth. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association's Space Weather Scales, this M-class flare can cause a radio blackout categorized as R2, or moderate. The sun is entering a new cycle, heading towards solar maximum, which is expected to peak in 2013. This cycle will see increased solar activity. Humans have been tracking this solar cycle continuously since it was first discovered in 1843, and it is normal for there to be many flares a day during this activity.

2271. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND ALL ADULT PEOPLE 2011 SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 01:14:38 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <eb566278-5bae-4720-bb4c-934ff0cf00b6@uk1g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1538

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http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

2272. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 14 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 03:26:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646d8d240d4304ce8036a3@google.com>
Source record: 1539
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed - The Laconia Daily Sun

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 04:58 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFCWW3zw_96v5vMz_su-MBG23mqjQ&url=http://www.laconiadailysun.com/index.php/newsx/community-announcements/63687-c-240-american-legion-amateur-radio-operaters-needed

American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed
The Laconia Daily Sun
With the loss of power, ham operators from The American Legion Amateur Radio Club(TALARC) sprang into action. The club is "a nationwide volunteer unit that can and does aid the local community, state and national emergency officials during civil or ...

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EU standardises hamtagonistic powerline network tech - Register

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 12:28 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGxW8jEe7hmAxM9uqiX8jfMN_hL_w&url=http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/11/14/plt_standard/

EU standardises hamtagonistic powerline network tech
Register
The second vote on EN50561-1, the EU standard for running Ethernet over mains circuits, has passed, putting the standard on the books, much to the annoyance of the UK amateur radio operator community. EN50561-1 requires that all Powerline ...

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Sunita Williams sends warm wishes to kids on Children's Day - Business Standard

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 03:16 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2FLHW4qy4h1z8p-8V0FxRIcJu1w&url=http://www.business-standard.com/generalnews/news/sunita-williams-sends-warm-wishes-to-kidschildrens-day/79254/

IBNLive
Sunita Williams sends warm wishes to kids on Childrens Day
Business Standard
A team of experts set up a HAM radio link that connected to the ISS through a centre in Italy, he said, adding that it is the first ever communication to be received by school children of any state in the country, after

Williams left for her second ...
Gujarat kids to rendezvous with Sunita Williams todayTimes of India
Diwali gift: Gujarat children talk to Sunita Williams in spaceDaily Bhaskar

all 21 news articles

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Benny prevents airline disaster - The Ulster Herald

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 04:57 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHUPuOgfLY-PmZP_TJwUe1Qs4684w&url=http://ulsterherald.com/2012/11/15/benny-prevents-airline-disaster/

The Ulster Herald
Benny prevents airline disaster
The Ulster Herald
Ham radio enthusiast Benny Young who was key to the safe diversion and landing of two airplanes in Amercia during hurricane Sandy. A LOCAL amateur radio enthusiast has this week been praised for saving the lives of hundreds of airline passengers… from ...

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SKYWARN training to be offered Nov. 17 - Tri County Leader

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 03:50 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGCPq7o-5lr9jSp01SE9gWrSwhyRw&url=http://www.tricountyleader.com/news/2012-11-15/Community/SKYWARN_training_to_be_offered_Nov_17.html

SKYWARN training to be offered Nov. 17
Tri County Leader
The Tyler Amateur Radio Club (TARC) will once again host the National Weather Services (NWS) two-part spotter training session on their SKYWARN program. This years NWS training sessions will be held on Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Shiloh Road Church of ...

2273. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 07:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1352962800@panix.com>
Source record: 1540
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

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that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

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"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

2274. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 15 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 07:12:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405e96af86104ce8360d8@google.com>
Source record: 1541
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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HAM-EX 2013

Posted: 13 Nov 2012 04:47 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368279-HAM-EX-2013&goto=newpost

The Peel Amateur Radio Club is proud to present

HAM-EX 2013

at the Brampton Fall Fairgrounds

12942 Heart Lake Rd.

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Public admission $7.00

2 Talk-in-frequencies

VE3PRC / 146.880 no tone

VE3M1S / 145.430 tone of 103.5 required

$1000.00 Grand Prize Draw!!!

2275. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 46 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 07:29:13 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121115072850.4831D1233199B@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1542
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 46 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-11-15
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Hello all,
I am looking if someone is interested in a VHF dxpedition next
summer. Years ago i worked LA1EKO in the Northsea. Last years there
was no activity in the Northsea. Should be time to organize something.
Which HAMS are interested to participate in an expedition? Who can help
me with the right contacts? Looking forward to hear from you, dl8ye@web.de.
Thanks in advance
73
chris, DL8YE

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: E5 ; Cook Island ; Square: BH01 ; start 2012-11-25

Holiday style Dxpedition from BH01CC and BH01DC (will be two locations)
EME WSJT: 2m 1KW, 70cm 100w

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx
432 IC821 +100W LNA NE 54143 ant YU7EF/YU7XL

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2013-03-01

DL0AT qrv from JO44HI

Aktivate the Lighthouse Westerhever with big power on the top on the lighthouse.
2x7 ele es 2x 9 ele with 2x 750 watts. FED: 260; LH 0063

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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2276. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 15 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 11:46:49 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fced185972104ce8734b9@google.com>
Source record: 1543
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Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OO329e5LiWY/november_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Inspired by material presented/published by KE4PT and PA3DJS about the low take off angles achievable with a vertical antenna operated at zero elevation near an expanse of sea water, Paul PE7B (aka G7KVE) reports that he has been operating /P on 10m recently from various near-shoreline locations in the UK, France and Holland

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Special Event Station - GB0IDD UN International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AFzBtRCQPOI/gb0idd_ses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wakefield District Radio Society (David Evans G0EVA and others) will be operating the Special Event Station GB0IDD (International Disability Day) over the weekend of 1st, 2nd and 3rd of December 2012 in celebration of the 'UN International Day of Persons with Disabilities'

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Sunita Williams sends warm wishes to kids on Children's Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/umrPf1h7Lb8/sunita_williams_sends_warm_wishes_to_kids_on_childrens_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ISS Commander Sunita Williams KD5PLB used Ham Radio to send a special 'Children's Day' message from space to children in India

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27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w2NYJ59crKA/27th_cars_foundation_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding their 27th Foundation training course starting Thursday, January 10

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EU standardises hamtagonistic powerline network tech

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JEcJmJb9rCM/eu_standardises_hamtagonistic_powerline_network_tech.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On The Register Bill Ray reports on EN50561-1, the standard for polluting
PLT devices. He says "Part of the problem with PLT interference is that no
one knows how widespread it is"

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Tv32uFhJY7k/november_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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The BBC broadcast morse code for 90th anniversary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B6Qpzxwuvn0/bbc_broadcast_morse_code_for_90th_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wednesday, November 14, was the 90th anniversary of the first broadcast by
the BBC from station 2LO London

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GB3LV gets added voice features

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ln7UzvGgWLA/gb3lv_added_voice_features.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB3LV - the north London 70cm, IRLP (5600) and Echolink (155403) enabled
repeater now has 3 added voice features

2277. Ron Cashon, K0PTK, in the news!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 16:41:57 UTC
From: ARRL Members Only Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121115134409.0642323F97@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1544
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,oma.general,nebr.misc,rec.radio.info

Larry Lehmann, KC0DA, sent out a note about Ron, K0PTK. The Rapid City Journal had a nice article about him and his interests in ham radio. The nicely written article discusses emergency communications and background on the hobby.

Here is the link to the story:

http://tinyurl.com/b9be2o6

Nice story, Ron! And thanks to Larry for letting us know.

73, Art K0AIZ

ARRL Nebraska Section
Section Manager: Arthur I Zygielbaum, K0AIZ
k0aiz@arrl.org

2278. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 15 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 17:44:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044517492fbe9104ce8c32a3@google.com>
Source record: 1545
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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NZ4O "Free Weekly" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-47

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 05:02 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368478-NZ4O-quot-Free-Weekly-quot-MF-HF-6M-Radio-Wave-Propagation-Forecast-2012-47&goto=newpost

The NZ4O "Free Weekly" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-47
has been published on Friday November 16, 2012 at 0000 UTC. Valid 0000 UTC
Saturday November 17, 2012 through 2359 UTC November 23, 2012.

It can be found at http://www.solarcycle24.org and
http://www.wcflunatall.com/propagation.htm . 73 & GUD DX, Thomas F. Giella,
NZ4O

Lakeland, FL, USA

nz4o@tampabay.rr.com

NZ4O Amateur & SWL Radio Autobiography: http://www.nz4o.com

NZ4O "Daily" MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast:
http://www.solarcycle24.org

NZ4O "Daily" Solar, Space Weather & Geomagnetic Data Archive:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o1.htm

NZ4O Solar Space Weather & Geomagnetic Weather Data Dashboard:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o2.htm

NZ4O Solar Cycle 24 Forecast Discussion & Archive:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o4.htm

NZ4O 160 Meter (MF) Radio Propagation Theory Notes:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o5.htm

NZ4O Solar Space Weather & Geomagnetic Raw Forecast Data Links:
http://www.wcflunatall.com/nz4o6.htm

Solar Cycle 24 dot org on Facebook:
http://www.facebook.com/pages/SolarC...9462931?v=wall

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AmateurLogic.TV 47: MFJ Metal Shop & Arduino

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 08:52 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368448-AmateurLogic-TV-47-MFJ-Metal-Shop-amp-Arduino&goto=newpost

AmateurLogic.TV Episode 47 is now available for download.

George visits the MFJ Metal Show for some heavy metal fun. Tommy introduces us to the Arduino microcontroller. Peter builds a 1/4 wave garage mounted vertical. Emile talks about calibrating his HF rig with WWV. And of course the usual fun and entertainment.

This is the last show before we give away the Complete HF Radio Station featuring an Icom IC-7200 and all the necessary accessories. Get your entry in now.

01:03:15 of AmateurLogic entertainment.

Download: http://www.amateurlogic.tv/

YouTube: http://youtu.be/pY9jWpMm3hw

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Dayton Hamvention Announces DX To Be 2013 Theme

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 12:27 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368387-Dayton-Hamvention-Announces-DX-To-Be-2013-Theme&goto=newpost

BREAKING NEWS FROM AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE (tm)

"DX Hamvention" Theme for Hamvention® 2013

When the Dayton Hamvention® opens May 17, 2013, at Hara Arena for its sixty-second consecutive year the theme, "DX Hamvention" will reflect an important part of ham radio, the distant contact, according to Charles Kaiser, KD8JZR, General Chairman for the event. ☐Hamvention is often an important DX destination for amateurs from all over the globe. Working DX is often a mix of magic, conditions, and the diligent application of radio theory☐, Kaiser said.

Kaiser, who served as assistant general chairman last year, noted that many attendees to return each year to Dayton to meet other hams that they have talked to on the radio. ☐The quest for that distant contact advances Amateur Radio on many levels so the Hamvention team is honoring DX in all of its forms this year!☐ Kaiser said.

Kaiser also announced that, Jim Tiderman, N8IDS, will serve as his assistant chairman for 2013. ☐He has been active in Hamvention for many years and brings a natural leadership style to the Hamvention Team. I will be asking Jim to lead many important responsibilities to enhance the event. It also very important to note our team is all volunteer and we continue to work in the spirit of collaboration,☐ Kaiser said.

A number of key vendors have already committed to returning to Hamvention® which the Dayton/Montgomery County Convention & Visitors Bureau estimates

produces an economic impact of about $4 million for Montgomery County and nearly $10 million regionally. Hamvention®, the world's largest amateur radio gathering, brings about 25,000 people to the greater Dayton area. The three-day event includes exhibits, a flea market, forums, education sessions and license exams.

For more information about Dayton Hamvention 2013 (scheduled for May 17-19), visit the website at www.hamvention.org or e-mail media@hamvention.org.

(Source: Dayton Hamvention)

2279. The ARRL Letter for November 15, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-15 23:07:41 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121115201654.F392327735@bmail.arrl.org>
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<http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/>Audio News
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==> + QST -- THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!

ARRL members who use Apple iOS mobile devices -- iPhone, iPad and
iPod Touch -- can now download a new dedicated app
<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/qst/id531766442?mt=8> to access and
browse all issues of the digital edition of QST. This app allows ARRL
members to read QST online or download individual issues of the journal
for offline reading. This free app is available
<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/qst/id531766442?mt=8> to ARRL members
in the Apple App Store.

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install the free QST app. Or simply click here
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app now.
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- Verify your Apple ID password.
- Open the app and go to the "QST Catalog" to browse available digital issues.
- Tap on the cover of an issue and select "Read" or "Download."
- Log in with your ARRL website username and password. If you do not have an ARRL website username and password, please register here <http://www.arrl.org/myarrl>.
- Each time you download an issue in the app, it is added to the "My QST Library" to view offline. Note: Before viewing issues offline, you must first initialize each issue online using your ARRL website login.
- To stream embedded video and audio, you must be connected to the Internet.
- This app may send anonymous usage statistics to ARRL and our service providers to help us improve QST and to better meet the needs of our members. To disable sending usage information, turn ON the "Disable Tracking" feature for the QST app in your iOS device settings. For more information, visit the Digital QST FAQ page <http://www.arrl.org/digital-qst-faq> and the ARRL Online Privacy Policy <http://www.arrl.org/online-privacy-policy>.

Using an Android or Windows Mobile Device?

<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/qst/id531766442?mt=8> At this time, a native app is only available for Apple iOS devices. Users with Android or Windows devices can access the digital edition of QST from a web browser <http://www.nxtbook.com/fx/archives/view.php?id=4d8f3fb65736c8b1e83e4879a8b0ef57>.
The web version runs in an Internet browser on nearly any device, including desktop or laptop computers, smartphones, tablets and e-book readers.

==> + FCC DENIES ARRL PETITION TO DENY RECONROBOTICS LICENSES, BUT LIMITS DEVICES TO 100 KHZ BANDWIDTH

On November 14, the FCC issued an Order on Reconsideration dismissing a March 2010 Petition for Reconsideration filed by the ARRL that asked the Commission to deny pending Public Safety Pool license applications associated with the ReconRobotics Video and Audio Surveillance System; however, in doing so, the FCC made it clear that the devices may not exceed 100 kHz of bandwidth. The Recon Scout -- manufactured by ReconRobotics -- is a remote-controlled, maneuverable surveillance robot that transmits real-time video surveillance data that operates by FCC waiver in the 70 centimeter band. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-denies-arrl-em-petition-em-to-deny-reconrobotics-licenses-but-limits-devices-to-100-khz-bandwidt>.

==> IARU: HO CHI MINH CITY HOSTS IARU REGION 3 CONFERENCE

Officials from 16 IARU Member Societies in Region 3 attended the IARU Region 3 15th Triennial Conference. Hosted by the Vietnam Amateur Radio Club, the conference took place November 5-9 in Ho Chi Minh City,

Vietnam. The delegates elected a new Region 3 leadership team, appointed regional coordinators and formed two working groups to focus on policy matters and operational and technical matters. These two groups acted on more than 60 documents and recommendations during the conference. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/ho-chi-minh-city-hosts-iaru-region-3-conference>.

==> + CHECK OUT THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF QST

Between tiny tots with their eyes all aglow and Jack Frost nipping at your nose, it's good to escape from all the holiday hullabaloo and open up the latest issue of QST. Whether you're looking for a project that takes you to your workbench, fantasizing of journeys to far-away DX or even dreaming about all the new radio gear that you hope to find under the tree, the December issue of QST has it all. So relax, get out your QST, put your feet up and enjoy all that the holiday season -- and Amateur Radio -- have to offer.

Jack Morgan, KF6T, knows a thing or two about Amateur Radio contests -- especially how tired and sore your voice can be after a 48-hour SSB contest! In his article "Super Simple Digital Voice Keyer," Morgan explains how you can save your voice by using your PC's sound card, a potentiometer and an audio transformer. If you can only have one HF antenna, how do you choose the best one? QST Technical Editor Joel R. Hallas, W1ZR, attempts to demystify the age-old conundrum in his article "Vertical or Horizontal Antennas -- What's Best for You?"

In January 2009, Laura Smith was sworn in as Special Counsel at the FCC, replacing Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, who had retired a few months earlier after overseeing Amateur Radio enforcement actions for several years. ARRL Regulatory Information Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, sat down and talked with Smith in "An Interview with FCC Special Counsel Laura Smith" and found out where we stand with Amateur Radio enforcement today.

Many hams spend all year gearing up for ARRL Field Day, the most popular on-the-air operating event in all of Amateur Radio. For those hardcore Field Day aficionados, the December issue of QST is one of the most anticipated issues all year -- this is the issue with the Field Day results! This year, join ARRL Field Day Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, as he travels through the funny pages to bring readers the annual Field Day results article. You'll also find announcements for upcoming radiosport events, such as the 2012 Straight Key Night, the 2013 RTTY Roundup and the 2013 ARRL International DX Contest (both CW and SSB).

QST Technical Editor Joel R. Hallas, W1ZR, takes a look at the Elecraft KX3 HF and 6 meter QRP transceiver in this month's Product Review. He says this radio "offers a large measure of performance and features in a compact but workable enclosure. While it's a wonderful addition to a campsite or picnic table, the KX3 can also form the basis of a competent home or mobile station with the addition of appropriate accessories."

Of course, there are the usual columns you know and have come to expect in the December QST: Amateur Radio World, Happenings, Hints & Kinks, The Doctor is In, Short Takes, Vintage Radio, How's DX? and more, including lots of new books and products, just in time for the holidays. Look for your December issue in your mailbox. QST is the official journal of the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. QST is just one of the many benefits of ARRL membership. To join, or to renew your ARRL membership, please see the ARRL web page <https://www.arrl.org/join-arrl-renew-membership/>.

==> + DAYTON HAMVENTION ANNOUNCES DX THEME FOR 2013

Throughout its 62 years, the Dayton Hamvention® has showcased the best that Amateur Radio has to offer. Each year, a specific theme -- such as Amateur Radio clubs, global friendship or the advent of digital modes -- spotlights one of the many facets of the Amateur Radio Service. And when Hamvention opens on May 17, 2013, at Hara Arena, the 2013 theme DX Hamvention will reflect an important part of ham radio: the distant contact. "Hamvention is often an important DX destination for amateurs from all over the globe," Hamvention General Chairman Charles Kaiser, KD8JZR, explained. "Working DX is often a mix of magic, conditions and the diligent application of radio theory."

ARRL's large exhibit area at Hamvention, ARRL EXPO, has always included significant attention for on-air DX activities and the participation of many international visitors. "In addition to our many activities at ARRL EXPO -- such as hands-on kit building, forums and membership services -- we are proud to support DXers from all over the world," said ARRL Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R. "We know hams appreciate our on-site QSL card checking services and enjoy being able to drop off their cards for the ARRL Outgoing QSL Bureau. In recent years, the ARRL exhibit area has included representatives from the International Amateur Radio Union and from our partner radio societies in the UK, Germany, Japan and Qatar." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/dayton-hamvention-announces-dx-theme-for-2013>.

==> + BE A STAR! ENTER THE THIRD ANNUAL ARRL VIDEO CONTEST

<http://www.arrl.org/winners> If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Third Annual Video Contest! Here's a chance to put that video camera to use: Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our way. If your video takes first, second or third place, we'll post it on the ARRL website for everyone to see. We're looking for a few good videos (but only one per ARRL member, please) on any tasteful subject relating to Amateur Radio. Videos will be judged on overall quality and composition, and prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/be-a-star-enter-the-third-annual-arrl-video-contest>.

==> W1AW ANNOUNCES 2012-2013 WINTER OPERATING SCHEDULE

With the switch from Daylight Saving Time to Standard Time earlier this month, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW operating schedule to reflect the change the W1AW operating schedule. The standard times have not changed, but the UTC times have. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/w1aw-announces-2012-2013-winter-operating-schedule> .

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: There is an exciting and dramatic rise in sunspot activity this week. The daily sunspot number was 188 on Monday, November 12 -- higher than it has been in more than a year. The last time the daily sunspot number was as high was on November 9, 2011, when it was 208. Prior to last November, we have to go back nine years -- November 26, 2003 -- into the previous solar cycle to find a number as high. On that date the sunspot number was 209. A coronal mass ejection (CME) on November 13 caused a geomagnetic storm on November 13-14, driving the planetary A index to 33 on November 14. Aurora was visible across Northern United States. The NOAA/USAF prediction on Wednesday, November 14 shows the solar flux at 145 on November 15-18, 140 on November 19-20, down to 135 and 125 on November 21-22, 105 on November 23-24, 100 on November 25-26, and then dropping below 100 until December 3. The predicted planetary A index is 12 on November 15, 10 on November 16-17, 8 on November 18, 5 on November 19 through December 4, and rising to 10 on December 5-8. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, November 16. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> + ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

ARRL Headquarters will be closed November 22 and 23 in observance of Thanksgiving. There will be no W1AW bulletins or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> those days. The ARRL Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/> will be published a day early on Wednesday, November 21, but there will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, November 22. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, November 26 at 8 AM Eastern Standard Time. We wish everyone a safe and bountiful Thanksgiving holiday.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- November 16 -- NCCC Sprint; YO International PSK31 Contest
- November 17 -- CQ SA SSB Contest; Feld Hell Sprint
- November 17-18 -- LZ DX Contest; All Austrian 160 Meter Contest; RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz Contest (CW)
- November 17-19 -- ARRL Sweepstakes Contest (SSB) <http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>; North American Collegiate ARC Championship (SSB)

- November 18 -- EPC PSK63 QSO Party; Homebrew and Old Time Equipment
Party
- November 19 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

Next week:

- November 23 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 24-25 -- CQ WW DX Contest (CW)
- November 28 -- SKCC Sprint
- November 28-29 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test
- November 29 -- QRP ARCI Top Band Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- November 17-18 -- ARRL Indiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/indiana-state-convention-fort-wayne-hamfest-com
puter-expo-1>,
Fort Wayne, Indiana
- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

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2280. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 15 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-16 03:27:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b4eadf17304ce94585f@google.com>
Source record: 1547
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Ham radio fan saves U.S. bacon by spotting Sandy mayday call - The Sun

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http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2AMMUlTq4YM9VYE5LHJ1zyDirkg&url=http://www.thesun.co.uk/sol/homepage/irishsun/irishsunnews/4647214/Ham-radio-fan-saves-US-bacon-by-spotting-Sandy-mayday-call.html

The Sun
Ham radio fan saves U.S. bacon by spotting Sandy mayday call
The Sun
Amateur radio fan Benny Young, from Tyrone, was tuning in on his hut-based hobby when he heard a mayday call from a plane over the Atlantic. But the United Airlines captain, en route from Dublin to Boston, wasnt able to reach flight controllers in ...
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Dayton Hamvention Announces DX Theme for 2013: - eHam.net

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 04:00 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGtL_Hq-flQTllIAmWBUW_EIYIH4w&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29335

Dayton Hamvention Announces DX Theme for 2013:
eHam.net
Throughout its 62 years, the Dayton Hamvention® has showcased the best that Amateur Radio has to offer. Each year, a specific theme -- such as Amateur Radio clubs, global friendship or the advent of digital modes -- spotlights one of the many facets of ...

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Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios - Carlsbad Current Argus

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 09:00 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE96rocbzE8H9x41Vb937emWhKTtg&url=http://www.currentargus.com/ci_21977281/mentor-guides-nmsu-engineering-students-they-construct-amateur

Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios
Carlsbad Current Argus
Daniel Cooper and Thomas Buckner, also electrical engineering seniors, built their own ham radios, as well. Hassall has more than 50 years of experience assembling ham radios. "I have been interested in amateur radio all my life," he said. "My mother ...

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County Tyrone radio ham saves US plane after contact lost - BBC News

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 01:32 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHBhNDy97VOiQjn7E-9FcTeIMXneQ&url=http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-foyle-west-20337368

BBC News
County Tyrone radio ham saves US plane after contact lost
BBC News
Benny Young was turning the dial on his radio when he picked up a Mayday call from a United Airlines flight from Dublin to Boston. Mr Young said he heard the mayday call just before moved to another frequency. He then relayed information between the ...

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TEMECULA: Fair highlights emergency preparedness - Press-Enterprise

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 10:52 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEFOP9hfvtaH3L8RIh1slRgebRk6A&url=http://www.pe.com/local-news/riverside-county/temecula/temecula-headlines-index/20121115-temecula-fair-highlights-emergency-preparedness.ece

Press-Enterprise
TEMECULA: Fair highlights emergency preparedness
Press-Enterprise
In the wake of Hurricane Sandy, a disaster-readiness fair that highlighted solar oven cooking, water storage, 72-hour emergency kits and HAM radio communication demonstrations seemed quite timely. However, planning for the Emergency Preparedness ...

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27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 11:45 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJBi4mvzZmzcoxMX0EGmmp48ABWQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/27th_cars_foundation_course.htm

Southgate Amateur Radio Club
27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding their 27th Foundation training course starting Thursday, January 10. The course, to be held at Danbury Village Hall, is six Thursday evenings of practical and

theory, but the view from ...

2281. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 262

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-16 06:04:09 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <391C186DF7B04132ADB27F1D716083BD@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 1548
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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16 November 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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· IARU Region 3 15th Conference report Ho Chi Minh

Debby Says…We are nearing the end of the year so it's
now time for all branches to remember some very important activities and
events.

Elections will be held in March next year, therefore all branches are
urged to consider nominating someone they feel can best serve them in
their respective areas and help the growth of amateur radio and NZART
membership in future years.

I have attached a nomination form to this issue of HQ Info-line for your
convenience. Please complete this and return to me before 31 December
2012.

Remits…all branches considering forwarding a remit to the AGM
next year, a reminder that I need to receive this also before 31
December 2012.

So far we have had a good response to the membership promotion, however
if you know of anyone who is still considering joining/rejoining with
this special offer, please urge them to do so.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

Top Monitoring Service Award

John Martin ZL1GWE Monitoring Service Officer, advised the recipient of
this years award goes once again to Phillip Conza ZL2TZE.

Congratulations Phillip on behalf of NZART Council and members and thanks for your continued efforts.

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE 262

Proposals

Published for the information of, and seeking comments from, members.

Branch 74 Wellington VHF has applied for a Digital Amateur TV Repeater at Belmont, located at TOPO50 BQ32 570.40 396.30. RSM has chosen a transmit frequency band of 502 MHz to 510 MHz. An Engineering evaluation, in accordance with RSM PIB38, shows that there will be no interference to other stations.

Please refer to Infoline Special No 35s for background information regarding this Digital Amateur TV Repeater application – ZL1TGC

Final Recommendations to NZART Council

None this time.

Licence Renewals

FMTAG has sent Invoices, for $51.11 per licence, for repeaters owned by the following Branches:

05 Christchurch 26
Nelson

28 Whangarei 34
South Canterbury

37 Southland 38
Taumarunui

49 Westland 51
Eastern Bay of Plenty

56 Christchurch West 67 Kawerau

78 Far North 82
Southern Wairarapa

84 Bay of Islands 86
Musick Point

87 South Taranaki CARDS

Please contact FMTAG by email if the invoice has not been received: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Payment to NZART is required before the end of November, to avoid automatic cancellation of the licences by RSM's SMART system.

Many thanks to the Branches that have already paid.

Comments and Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST NEWS

The Next Contest

The next contest is the Field Day Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the DX Weekend Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of February 2013. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The Contest Rules are available at:
www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

Or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

Dark Future for Ham Radio in EU.

Polluting Draft Standard EN50561-1:2012 Approved Despite *RSGB* opposition,

the CENELEC Working Group 11 have voted in favour of draft standard *

EN50561-1:2012* for polluting Power Line Communication apparatus.

This draft standard means the polluting radio interference from PLT devices

could be 10,000 times higher than the previous standard EN55022, ruining

people's enjoyment of radio.

Hat off for RSGB and a few other IARU R1 members who took up the fight

To achieve growth and new jobs in the EU-market shortwave will be

sacrificed.

More: http://www.rsgb.org/news/articlelinks.php?id21

Goran SM7DLK

One of the most important DX'peditions of the year is about to start. ZL9HR will be active from the UNESCO World Heritage Campbell Island which is 650Km south of New Zealand in the Great Southern Ocean. This Sub-Antartic island is sought after not only for DXCC and IOTA (OC-037) awards but I have been informed by August HB9TZA, also for the World Flora and Fauna radio award where the island has the reference ZLFF-019. Please checkout www.wff44.org for details of that competition.

I am glad to report all plans are still on schedule and ZL9HR will be active on all bands from 160m to 6m from November 28th to December 9th from Campbell Island. Here's hoping for mild weather and good propagation for the event.

As always please refer to the DX'Pedition's website zl9hr.com for all details and latest updates.

Thanks, this is Ed VK2JI Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Dec 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy. All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Dec 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:

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5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 25th November. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 30th November 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 29th November 2012.

Attachments to this issue:

Nomination form for Council Elections

International Amateur Radio Union Region 3

RELEASE

>Date: 10 November 2012

The 15th IARU Region 3 Conference,

Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) Region 3, 15th Triennial Conference was held on 5 - 9 November 2012, hosted by the Vietnam Amateur Radio Club (VARC) in Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC), Viet Nam.

The Conference opened on Monday 5th November, under the shadow of the passing away of the former Chairman Michael Owen VK3KI on 22nd September 2012.

The meeting observed a minutes silence in Michael’s memory. Throughout the duration of the conference a series of photographs of Michael were placed on the top table to remember him.

The Conference was declared open by the Chairman of VARC Mr Nguyen Minh Duc 3W2REH. Local officials Mr Lee Manh Ha Vice Chairman of the HCM City People's Committee and Mr Nguyen Van Thu Deputy Manager Radio Frequency Management Department and Director of the Centre for Regional Frequency Management 2 of the Ministry of Telecommunications of Viet Nam warmly welcomed everyone to HCMC.

Mr. Tim Ellam VE6SH President of the IARU and Peter Lake ZL2AZ Chairman of Directors of Region 3 also participated in the opening ceremony. They also paid tributes to Michael Owen on behalf of the IARU, Region 3 and radio amateurs all over the world.

The conference saw participation with a record number of 16 societies in person and one by proxy. (ARRL/ ARSI/ BDARA/ CRSA/ CTARL/ HARTS/ JARL/ KARL/ MARTS/ NZART/ ORARI/ PARA/ RAST/ SARTS/ VARC/ WIA and PIARA represented by JARL. This compares with 10 member societies and 3 proxies at the 14th Regional Conference in Christchurch. Also attending were the IARU President Tim Ellam, from Region 1 President Hans Timmerman PB2T and Secretary Dennis Green ZS4BS and from Region 2 President Reinaldo Leandro YV5AM and Secretary Ramon Santoyo XE1KK.

Terry Carrell ZL3QL from New Zealand was nominated as the Conference Chairman by VARC, and accepted by the conference.

Two Working Groups were formed:

· WG1 - Policy matters that included education, training, development of amateur radio and international and regional conferences involving radio administrations

· WG2 - Operational and Technical Matters, including emergency communications, the IARU R3 Award and band plans.

In addition the Finance Committee was convened at times when all delegates were invited and available to participate.

A total of 61 documents were discussed by the Working Groups and recommendations submitted to the conference.

One of the major items for consideration was the possible increase in subscriptions, a subject that had been initiated at the last conference in Christchurch. This has engaged the attention of all societies during the past three years as the current rates of subscription payments just about balanced the expenses of the region without generating much for building up a reserve or covering inflation etc.

The conference debated this issue and recognized the need, and voted for an increase of 20% over the current IARU Region 3 subscription rates.

Two societies had submitted resolutions for increasing the number of directors from the present five to either six or seven to provide greater representation from societies, and to be able to work on the many issues that need attention. This item was discussed in detail and it was agreed by the conference to increase the number to six.

Attendance at APT/APG meetings is vital to the build-up for WRC 15, and budget has provided for the region to be adequately represented.

The conference noted that ORARI were in an advanced stage of preparations to launch an amateur satellite from a launch pad in India.

Steps will also be taken to modernize the IARU Region 3 website.

The Conference accepted a proposal from WIA to sponsor and implement an annual award in memory of the late Michael Owen, VK3KI. It is to be awarded to the highest Region 3 individual score in the annual IARU HF Contest. The WIA will fund and present a suitable trophy each year.

Consequent to the decision of conference to elect six directors the following six nominations were received and declared elected, unopposed:

· Peter Lake ZL2AZ

· Joong Guen Rhee HL1AQQ

· Shizuo Endo JE1MUI

· Geoff Atkinson VK3TL

· Wisnu Widjaja YB0AZ

· Gopal Madhavan VU2GMN

The Directors then elected Gopal Madhavan VU2GMN as their Chairman, which was endorsed by conference.

Katsumi (Ken) Yamamoto JA1CJP was returned unopposed as Secretary. The auditor was also reappointed.

Most Regional Coordinators were reappointed. The Conference appointed Onno W Purbo YC0MLC to the vacant EMC Coordinator's position due to the resignation of Chang HL3QVU. The EMR Coordinator's position remains vacant after the passing away of Keith Malcolm, VK1KM. The Directors are tasked with finding someone to do this job.

The Administrative Council of IARU met just before the Region 3 conference with Chairman Peter Lake ZL2AZ and Secretary Ken Yamamoto JA1CJP participating on behalf of Region 3, with Shizuo Endo JE1MUI also attending as an observer. The Administrative Council members also participated in the conference.

The Directors of Region 3 also met before the Region 3 conference. Most of their work was concerned with preparation for the conference. The re-elected and new Directors met after the conference, on 10 November, to prepare for the next triennium of work.

The conference was in praise of the VARC organizing committee, headed by Mr Nguyen Minh Duc 3W2REH, and the Royal Hotel Saigon, for their arrangements for meetings etc.

The conference thanked Terry Carrell ZL3QL for taking on the role of conference chairman and conducting the meetings with efficiency.

One invitation was received from ORARI to host the 16th Regional Conference of IARU Region 3 at Jogjakarta in Central Java, Indonesia in late 2015. Presentations were made by ORARI. The conference adopted the motion to hold the next conference in Indonesia.

Ken Yamamoto

Secretary, IARU Region 3

E-mail: secretary@iaru-r3.org

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2282. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1840 - November 16 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-16 10:00:10 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121116100003.5297033C2F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1549
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1840 - November 16 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1840 with a release date of November 16, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. China to revise its amateur radio service rules, French radar signals heard on several ham radio bands, Norway affirms new spectrum for its ham radio community, a rescue radio group receives a large grant to get more gear, the Dayton Hamvention announces the theme of Hamvention 2013 and a new ham radio cubesat will blink a holiday message from space on Christmas Eve. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1840 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: CHINA TO REVISE ITS AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE

Big amateur radio changes ahead for ham radio in China. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports from down-under:

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According to word from Jim Linton, VK3PC, mandatory membership of the Chinese Radio Sports Association will likely soon be a thing of the past. This as China moves forward under soon to be announced new amateur service regulations.

For the past 30 years, only a sports organization could transmit on the amateur Radio bands. That began on the 29th of March, 1982 with the station BY1PK, at first on CW and with limited spectrum made available for ham radio operations. But this is 2012 and the old system of someone first being a member of a sport-related body before entering amateur radio no longer works and will end. Now clubs and individuals will have their own callsigns throughout the world's most populated country.

Also being considered for emergency communications is a new error-correcting low power data mode for HF radio using Chinese characters, a Software Defined Radio receiver network for noisy locations, an alarm system, VHF and UHF repeaters and overall training.

Along with the revised regulations will be a new entity called the Chinese Radio Amateur Club, that will be solely focused on amateur radio. The new group will deal with the regulations including visitor

licenses, conduct exams and licensing, create band plans, allow nation-wide mobile operation, develop emergency communications infrastructure, amateur satellites, and work with the International Amateur Radio Union.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand

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When enacted, these revised regulations promise to bring China more in line with the rest of amateur radio service regulations world wide. As such don't be too surprised to hear many more mainland China stations on the hambands once the new rules do take effect. (VK3PC)

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INTRUDER WATCH: HAM RADIO OPPOSED EUROPEAN PLT STANDARD APPROVED

Europe has a new Power Line Communication or PLT standard and hams on the other side of the Atlantic are not very happy. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW reports:

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Despite opposition from the Radio Society of Great Britain and several other European national ham radio societies, the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization or CENELEC Working Group 11 has voted in favor of a draft standard for what ham radio operators are calling polluting Power Line Communication or PLT apparatus. According to the Radio Society of Great Britain this means the chance of radio interference from P-L-T devices could be 10,000 times higher than the previous standard and holding the potential of ruining people's enjoyment of radio.

A statement on the RSGB website says that one of the reasons why the combined voice of the amateur radio fraternity was not heeded was the absence of complaints reported to and by the national enforcement agencies. As a consequence it is imperative that interference cases are diagnosed and reported to, and pursued with, U-K telecommunications regulator Ofcom if and when they occur.

The statement goes on to note that the RSGB EMC Committee is working with other parties to enable radio amateurs to do this and to build up statistics on the status of complaints. If a significant number of people are affected the organization can then lobby for further revision to the standard. If the devices do not cause publicized problems then the protection provided by this new standard will be deemed adequate.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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You can read the full RSGB statement at
tinyurl.com/european-PLT-approved. (Southgate)

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INTRUDER WATCH: FRENCH RADAR ON THE HF HAM BANDS

The IARU Region 1 Monitoring Service reports that French radar is again active near and in the High Frequency ham bands. Recent reports have heard it near 7, 14, 14,259, and 21 MHz transmitting a 20 kHz wide burst system.

But that's not all. Region 1 monitors also report that taxi operators in the Russia Federation, Belarus, Ukraine and Kazakhstan are now using FM in the 28 MHz, 10 meter amateur radio band more than ever. You can read more about both these intruders on-line
tinyurl.com/10-meter-intruders (IARU-R1)

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RESTRUCTURING: NORWAY AFFIRMS NEW SPECTRUM FOR AMATEUR RADIO OPERATIONS

Its now official. Norway has affirmed news bands for ham radio in that nation. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, of the RSGB News reports:

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The Norwegian Post and Telecommunications Authority has made changes to the Norwegian amateur license regulations.

The major change is that permission has been given to use 472 to 479 kHz with a maximum 1 Watt EIRP, with the former permission to use 493 to 510 kHz removed.

Permission has been given to use 70.1875 to 70.2625MHz, except in the three Norwegian southwest counties of Hordaland, Rogaland and West-Agder, where there still is commercial traffic within this frequency segment.

Other segments allowing 100W transmitter power and maximum 16kHz bandwidth include 70.0625 to 70.0875MHz, 70.3625 to 70.3875MHz and 70.4125 to 70.4625MHz.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, in Nottingham in the U.K.

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The new rules in Norway are reportedly effective now. (GB2RS)

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RESCUE RADIO: SOUTH AFRICA HAMNET AIDS IN SEARCH FOR MISSING AIRCRADT

South Africa's HAMNET, the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Organization has concluded it's involvement in a cross-border search

and rescue operation for a missing aircraft. This after a light aircraft, on an October 28th flight from Malawi to an airport in South Africa failed to make regular radio contact over Mozambique.

Soon after the plane was reported as missing, the South African Air Rescue Control Centre was advised and requested to assist. HAMNET was called out on Monday, October 29th by the Air Rescue Control Centre to form a team to travel to the region and provide a High Frequency communications link between the two countries. Operations took place on the internationally agreed Emergency Centre of Activity frequencies using the 30 and 20 meter bands.

Unfortunately the search for the missing plane and its occupants was unsuccessful and was scaled back on Saturday November 3rd. At that point the HAMNET team stood down and has now returned home. (IARU Region 1)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FITSAT-1 SCHEDULES CHRISTMAS EVE OPTICAL TRANSMISSION

And there will be a Christmas present of sorts from ham radio in space. On December 24th which is Christmas Eve the students in Japan who built the FITSAT-1 satellite are planning to active the birds LED optical array and flash a message in Morse Code to those of us here on mother Earth.

According to JA6AVG, the students plan to start testing the optical system at the end of November. As such its Morse message beacon may well be visible from Earth with the unaided eye well before the scheduled transmission date.

FITSAT-1 is a CubeSat that was developed by students at the Fukuoka Institute of Technology in Japan. In addition to the optical transmission system the bird carries a CW beacon on 437.250 MHz and a data link on 437.445 MHz. There is also a 5.8 GHz data downlink.

Further information about the FITSAT-1 cubesat is on-line at tinyurl.com/fitsat-christmas-signal. And we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (FITSAT-1 Team)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WL7CVG repeater serving Alaska's Kenai Peninsula.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: NIAGRA COUNTY NY RACES GETS $7000 GRANT

Some good news for a dedicated rescue radio group. Buffalo dot com reports that the Niagara County New York Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service has received a $7,000 donation from Waste Management, parent company of the CWM Chemical Services.

Jim Callahan of Waste Management made the presentation of the check that will provide the group with equipment for expanding and enhancing its services to Niagara County in the event of a disaster. In doing so Callahan called the RACES hams as being the unsung heroes who are prepared to help communicate through any emergency situation, when other means of communication may be down. (Buffalo.com)

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ENFORCEMENT: PAGER COMPANY FINE REDUCED TO $7000

The Federal Communications Commission has affirmed a $7000 monetary forfeiture order to Leetek America, Inc. a subsidiary of Lee Technology Korea. This for marketing of an unauthorized pager transmitter system. Jim Davis, W2JKD, has the details:

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On August 25, 2008, the Enforcement Bureau's Spectrum Enforcement Division issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture or NAL to Leetek in the amount of $14,000. This for its apparent willful and repeated violations of Section 302(b) of the Act and Section 2.803(a) of the Rules in connection with its marketing of two models of unauthorized pager transmitter systems.

The Division's investigation into this matter was initiated by a complaint that Leetek was marketing a pager transmitter system that did not comply with the Rules and was causing interference to primary licensed operators.

Leetek responded to the NAL on September 2, 2008. In its reply, the company repeated the argument that it imported only three units of the LTK-1700CT solely for the purpose of design review and performance testing. Leetek's response also clarified information Leetek submitted to the Division in its response with respect to the LTK-1400S pager transmitter system. It asserted that it never marketed a pager transmitter system with the model number LTK-1400S. Rather that its third party website provider mistyped LTK-1400S as the model number for Leetek's authorized LTK-1400A pager transmitter system. Leetek also said that it never marketed or sold a pager transmitter system with a LTK-1400S model number. According to Leetek, the company was marketing an authorized pager transmitter system called he LTK-1400A, but its third-party website provider misprinted the model number as LTK-1400.

In rendering its final decision, the FCC says that based on the company's statements, which were made under penalty of perjury, it appears that the device mistakenly marketed on Leetek's website under

model number LTK-1400S was properly authorized. Therefore the agency finds that a reduction of the proposed forfeiture is warranted as to that model. However having considered Leetek's response to the proposed fine in light of the applicable statutory factors the FCC concludes that Leetek did willfully and repeatedly violate Section 2.803(a) of the Rules in connection with its marketing of the uncertified LTK-1700CT pager transmitter system, and is therefore liable for a forfeiture in the amount of $7,000.

Im Jim Davis, W2JKD.

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Because this was an affirmed fine, Leetek Payment was given only fifteen calendar days after the release date of this Forfeiture Order to pay the amount in full. That period is now past. If the forfeiture was not paid within the period specified, the FCC said that the case may be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for enforcement. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: EXTENSION OF HEART MONITORING DEVICE GRANTED

The FCC has granted a request by Boston Scientific Corporation to extend the existing waiver of Section 15.205 of its rules to continue tests of the company's Cognis cardiac device.

The FCC says that granting Boston Scientifics' request will permit this device to continue to use the 90 to 110 kHz frequency band while Boston Scientific completes its ongoing MultiSENSE clinical trial, begun in 2010, in which it is using the Cognis device to collect physiologic data related to patients' worsening heart failure.

The present waiver is scheduled to expire on November 17, 2012, and the extension will permit the continued manufacture and marketing of the subject devices until December 31, 2013, when the referenced clinical trial is expected to complete its enrollment. (FCC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: EPISODE 4 OF YOUTH IN AMATEUR RADIO PODCAST AVAILABLE

Episode 4 of the Youth in Amateur Radio Podcast is now available for download. This month's topics include getting on the air and how repeaters work. The report can be downloaded on yarphams.com or on itunes, or the producers RSS feed. As always please feel free to contact the production team with comments and suggestions. They can be reached by e-mail to Joe Andrews in care of kd0los (at) yahoo (dot) com. (KD0LOS)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: MICHAEL J. OWEN AWARD CREATED BY IARU

Some names in the news. A new Michael J. Owen, VK3KI, Award has been created and announced at the recently concluded IARU Region 3 Conference held in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. The purpose of the award is to recognize an individual or individuals that best exemplify the dedication and hard work of International Amateur Radio Union volunteers.

At the same conference the Wireless Institute of Australia proposed that an annual award or trophy be introduced in Michael Owen's name for the highest Region 3 individual operator score in the IARU High Frequency Contest. It reported that the proposal was well received and the details are to be announced at a later date. (RSGB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: G4SWX NAMED NEW RSGB VHF MANAGER

The RSGB has announced the appointment of John Regnault, G4SWX as the societies new VHF Manager. Regnault is described as an active amateur on the VHF and UHF bands, a long standing designer and home builder of VHF equipment and a contributor to the RSGB publication RadCom. He replaces David Butler, G4ASR, who took on the job temporarily following the death of Terry Stevens, G8DKS, earlier in the year. (RSGB)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: GREG WALDEN, W7EQI, RE-ELECTED TO CONGRESS

Congressman Greg Walden, W7EQI, who is the chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Communications Subcommittee has been re-elected by a wide margin in Oregon's second district. Walden pulled almost 70% of the vote, according to unofficial results from the Oregon Secretary of State. (Published News Reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: NEWSLINE'S WA6ITF TO APPEAR ON ECHOLINK NET NOV. 17

Amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, will be the featured guest on the Saturday night, November 17th edition of the Echolink Newsline Net. The net meets every Saturday at 9 p.m. Eastern on the Dodropin conference server which is Echolink Node number 355800. According to Steve Sercrest, W8WFO, this is not the original name for the gathering. Rather, because it's been running our weekly report for such a long time that those signing in began calling it the Amateur Radio Newsline or Newsline network. Again, you are welcome to join in the net conference at Echolink node 355800 on Saturday night, November 17th at 9 p.m. Eastern to hear Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, talk about numerous things in ham radio and do is best to answer your questions. Bill says he hopes to meet many of you there. (W8WFO)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: BOEING UNVEILS EMP DRONE

>From our technology page, it appears as if science fiction has become a military fact. This after a successful missile test has ushered in a new era of warfare in which the military can take out electronic targets without destroying a single building or harming human beings. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is here with the story:

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According to news reports, back on October 16th an experimental missile called CHAMP fired bursts of high power microwave energy at an unoccupied site to damage computers and other electronic systems during a test at the Utah Test and Training Range. The Counter Electronics High Power Microwave Advanced Missile Project flew over the Utah test site and brought down the compound's entire spectrum of electronic systems, apparently without producing any other damage at all. Even cameras recording the test was shut down.

Keith Coleman is the CHAMP program manager for Boeing Phantom Works. He says that in the near future this technology may be used to render an enemy's electronic and data systems useless even before the first troops or aircraft arrive.

The idea of using microwaves or electromagnetic pulses to knock out electronic systems without having to reduce cities or military bases to rubble first arose during Cold War nuclear tests. There scientists found that explosions created electromagnetic pulses that damaged some civilian power grids and other facilities.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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It will be interesting to see where the development of this new electronic warfare device goes in years to come. (Science OnLine, Business Insider, Discovery News, others)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: WORK PROCEEDING ON RECOVERY OF AO-27

Amsat Oscar 27 is down but not out. This according to controllers who are working to return of the satellites FM repeater back to service after it stopped responding on October 5th. Heres the back story.

In early October AO-27 was restored to running on its primary bootloader program. Control operators were able to turn on the Transmitter for a short time on several occasions. Also required were multiple recoveries the stuck AFSK modem.

During recovery efforts AO-27 crashed once again on October 16. The command team again recovered the satellite to the bootloader state. It was also recovered from another occurrence of the AFSK modem problem and they again performed another software upload.

On October 18 the transmitter was left on in an attempt to discharge the batteries with the hope that faults could be cleared. Once the battery was recharged the high-level software aboard AO-27 ran for a few seconds before locking up. The team was able to reset it back to the bootloader once again. Telemetry indicate AO-27 is locking up while fetching telemetry from the hardware. As such, controllers say that it does not look like there will be a quick resolution to this crash.

In the meantime the AO-27 controllers are asking the ham radio public not to attempt to use the AO-27 if you hear it in Amalog mode. This to prevent interfering with the command team's recovery efforts. (AMSAT)

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RADIO IN SPACE: JAPAN SCHEDULES FIRST LAUNCH OF NEW EPSILON ROCKET

Japan is scheduled to launch its first Epsilon solid-fueled rocket next August or September. The flight will deploy a planetary telescope while on-orbit while demonstrating new low-cost rocket assembly and control techniques, the Japanese space agency announced last week.

The Epsilon program is designed to cut in half the cost of Japanese small satellite launches. Japan's M5 rocket, which launched seven times before retiring in 2006, cost $94 million per flight. Engineers designed the Epsilon rocket with a simplified control system, and the vehicle's own computers will autonomously monitor the status of its systems during countdown.

Only a handful of engineers with laptop computers are required on the launch control team. The Epsilon is also designed to launch after only seven days of assembly on the launch pad, reducing labor and overhead costs. (ANS)

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CONTEST CORNER: RESULTS OF 2012 ARRL JUNE VHF CONTEST ON LINE

Sean Kutzko, KX9X, who is the Leagues Contest Branch Manager, says that the results for the 2012 ARRL June VHF Contest are now available online. If you took part and want to know where you placed, you can find out by taking your web browser to www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles. (KX9X)

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SWL NEWS: L.A. INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT'S TIS STATION GOES DARK

If you are an A-M broadcast band DX'er and have not been able to hear the Travelers Information Station on 530 kHz at Los Angeles International Airport theres a good reason. It has reportedly been off the air for a month or so. No word as to why, but it does open up that frequency in the Southwest United States for DX'ing a 50 Kilowatt religious station in Turks and Caicos islands that operates on the same frequency. (CGC)

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SWL NEWS: UK REGULATOR OFCOM CANCELS 648 KHZ BBC NOV

British telecommunications regulator Ofcom has issued a notice of variation the Wireless Telegraphy Act to Babcock Communications Ltd. This to remove Babcock's authorization to the frequency of 648 kHz previously used to broadcast the BBC World Service.

Subject to international co-ordination, this frequency will now be available for use by community radio licensing in various parts of the UK, in addition to FM and other AM frequencies that are already potentially available for this purpose.

However, some note that the characteristics of 648 kHz is at the lower end of the AM broadcast spectrum and therefore requiring relatively large towers and transmitter sites. This they say may make it less suitable for community radio than other AM frequencies higher up in the Medium Wave band.

A Notice of Variation in the UK is very much like a Special Temporary Authorization or STA issued here in the United States by our FCC.

You can read the Ofcom announcement on line at tinyurl.com/uk-nov-cancel (GB2RS)

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DX

In DX, word that F8FQX will be active from Cameroon as TJ3SN next 3 to 4 years. He will be operational on High Frequency bands plus 6 meters using various modes. QSL via IZ1BZV direct or electronically using Logbook of the World.

Members of F6KOP team and others will be on the air from Uganda next February 6th to the 18th as 5X8C. They will be active on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via the bureau or electronically using Logbook of the World.

AA9A will be active from Antigua Island February 10th to the 20th as V24A. His operation will include the 2013 ARRL DX CW Contest. No bands or modes mentioned. QSL via home call

HB9TUZ will be active as 8Q7MS from Gangehi Island Resort on the North Ari Atoll Male in the Republic of the Maldives from December 26th to

January 3rd. His operation will be on 80 through 10 meters using SSB only. QSL electronically only using eQSL.

Lastly the 2012 operation 5X1EME operation from Uganda has been approved for DXCC credit. If you have a card for this operation you can submit it to checkers to be added to your DXCC total.

(Above courtesy of various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: DAYTON 2013 IS A DX HAMVENTION

The Dayton Hamvention has announced its theme for 2013. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl, Lasek, K9BIK, has the details:

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When the 2013 Dayton Hamvention opens its doors next May 17th the theme will be that of it being the DX Hamvention. This according to General Chairman Charles Kaiser who says that this name will reflect the distant contact which is an important part of ham radio.

Kaiser says that the Dayton Hamvention is often an important DX destination for amateurs from around the globe to visit. Also, working DX is often a mix of band conditions, the diligent application of radio theory and of coarse a little bit of magic.

Kaiser noted that many attendees return to Dayton each year to meet other hams that they have talked to on the radio. He says that the quest for that distant contact advances amateur radio on many levels so the Hamvention team is honoring DX in all of its forms this year.

In the same press release, Kaiser announced that Jim Tiderman, N8IDS, will serve as his assistant General Chairman for 2013. Kaiser says that Tiderman has been active in Hamvention for many years and brings a natural leadership style to the Hamvention Team.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, not far from Dayton in Zion Illinois.

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Hamvention 2013 will take place next May 17th to the 19th at its traditional home at the Hara Arena in suburban Trotwood, Ohio For more information please visit www.hamvention.org on the World-Wide-Web or e-mail media@hamvention.org. And as always, we will se you there. (Dayton Hamvention)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

2013 WIA AGM and ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Christmas Eve - Ham Radio satellite to flash morse code

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING NOV 18 2012.

Spring VHF-UHF Field Day

Here is a reminder for NEXT weekend, November 24 and 25.

If you don't wish to camp out overnight, you can enter one of the 8 hour
sections rather than the full 24 hours. Or you can participate as a
home station.

This next Field Day will again include the "F Call Challenge", with special
certificates for Foundation licensees who participate in any of the
single operator sections of the Field Day.

The details are available on the contest page of wia.org.au

(John VK3KM)

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2013 WIA AGM and ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2013 WIA Annual conference will be held at the Tradewinds Hotel in historic Fremantle, Perth's port city. Fremantle is one of Perth's major tourist centres, offering history, culture and lifestyle.

The conference is on the weekend 24 25 26 May 2013. This is the end of autumn in Perth, however we should enjoy good weather as we tend to get most of our rain later in Winter and in Spring.

Various components of the conference will be hosted by Amateur radio clubs in Western Australia, and together we look forward to welcoming you to Perth and Fremantle.

There is an interesting line up of activities for you to enjoy, and just as importantly you'll have time to relax in the bar.

For many of you, a trip to Western Australia is not to be taken lightly, and I encourage you to make it worth your while by making the conference part of a longer holiday.

With a bit of forward planning you can get some very good airfares to Perth, giving you more cash on the wallet for your enjoyment.

If you're considering coming to the Conference, or if you've never given it thought before, think about it now, to give yourself time to make holiday arrangements and to watch the airfares - the airlines are frequently offering very good fares. This week QANTAS was offering Melbourne to Perth for $189 one way. With some vigilance, you may be able to improve on that fare.

Booking details will be on the WIA website in early December. Check out the website at VK6.net for conference information. That's vk6.net

As Onno VK6FLAB says " The 2013 WIA AGM and conference is less than 200 days away and we're excited to announce that expressions of interest for speakers is now open.

We're planning to host a large range of topics in various formats, from Quick Talks to Hands-on presentations, from discussions to Social Events and now is the time for you to stick up your hand and show us what you've got.

If you've built a new gadget, written some software, engaged in research, or achieved something, we'd like to hear from you. Tell us about your successes and your failures. Use the opportunity to speak with other Amateurs who share your passion and excitement about a large range of topics.

If you've been attempting to figure out how to achieve something, but finding it hard to get a room of experts together, the conference offers you the opportunity to host an open discussion on a topic of your choosing. You'll

have the ability to get people in the room and benefit from the combined knowledge accumulated. Who knows, you might find someone who has a similar interest.

We will be allocating time-slots on a first-come basis, so get clicking now!

You can find the Expressions of Interest form on the VK6 conference site, conference.vk6.net, that's conference.vk6.net "

So that's it. Conference in May 2013 at Fremantle, More things to do than we can cram into a weekend programme, airfares going dirt cheap, and a great venue. I look forward to hearing that you are coming to Fremantle next May.

I'm Bob VK6POP

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

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Last weekend the 10/11th of November Canberra Region Amateur Radio Club ran their final Foundation Amateur Radio course for the year.

On the Saturday Mathew and Mark passed their upgrade from Foundation to Standard Licence and Steve passed his first attempt at the Standard Licence.

They then had seven candidates for the course and assessments on the Sunday.

Congratulations to John, the 2 Andrew's, Peter, Jack, Eyal, and Max who were all successful in completing the course and assessments.

VK2
web service:- http://www.arnsw.org.au/html/news_vk2wi.htm

The final Trash and Treasure for this year at the VK2WI site will be next Sunday the 25th at 63 Quarry Road Dural, 9.30 am.

This is Roger Harrison VK2ZRH

The battle over NSW planning restrictions on amateur radio antenna masts now has to enter a new phase - the political campaign.

Last week, I asked you to do some homework - to get hold of the essential contact details for your local member of the NSW Legislative Assembly.

I want you to write a polite letter to your local member, to briefly explain our issue with planning restrictions and council red tape when you want to put up an antenna mast, and to ask them to find out why this matter is NOT being considered in the current Planning System Review.

I explained last week that preparing a letter to your local member requires a different approach to writing a submission to a government department. So, to help you, I have had a set of simple guidelines posted to the WIA website.

When you write to your local member about an issue that concerns you, they will most likely write to the relevant minister - in this case, the NSW Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, the Honourable Brad Hazzard MP,

who is the Member for Wakehurst.

You can expect that your letter to your local member will be sent to the Minister.

If your local member is a member of the Government, the Minister's Office will refer the correspondence to the Department of Planning & Infrastructure to draft a response to your local member for the Minister's signature.

For you guys on the northern beaches in Sydney, the Minister is your local member. That's an advantage.

But, if your local member is either an independent or a member of the opposition, the Minister's Office will likely refer the correspondence to the Department of Planning & Infrastructure to write a reply to your local member from the Department - or, at best - a reply from one of the Minister's advisors.

Either way, all the correspondence that flows on this issue will send a signal to the Minister and the Department of Planning that this issue is of serious concern to many electors.

They have to get the message that the radio amateurs of NSW want exemptions for antenna masts to be included in the proposed new planning system.

If it turns out that we don't get the answer we're looking for, be prepared to participate in stepping up the campaign to another level.

Amateurs of NSW - the battle continues. This is about your future and the interests of future radio amateurs. Get cracking!

This is Roger Harrison VK2ZRH. I'll see you further down the log.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

The inaugural meeting of the Homebrew Constructors Group was well attended last Saturday, November 10, at Amateur Radio Victoria in Ashburton.

In the chair was Rob Whitmore VK3MQ, who believed that a good core group exists and with time there was a possibility it could expand.

Rob VK3MQ asked those attending to introduce themselves and talk a bit about their particular interests.

It ranged from kit building, home-brewing HF transceivers, power amplifiers, wireless restoration, software defined radio, microprocessors, and antennas.

One of the aims of the new group is to provide support and guidance. Certainly the knowledge and experience is already among those who attended.

The meeting raised topics for future discussion including printed circuit boards, soldering and surface mount techniques.

A special activity day might be arranged involving the pooling of test equipment to give new projects a thorough 'work out', all under the

supervision of the test equipment owner.

Rob VK3MQ said the next meeting on a Saturday afternoon would be in early December and held as a 'show and tell' day.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

The Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club's inaugural RadioFest at Rosebud on the Mornington Peninsula, will be held next Sunday, 25th November.

The event will be held at the Eastbourne Primary School auditorium at Allambi Avenue, Rosebud, where off street parking is available.

Ticket sales and outdoor "Show and Tell" activities will commence at 8am and the Auditorium will open to the public at 9.30am with an entry fee of $5.

Catering for the event is being handled by the school's Parent and Friends Association and a large menu will be available at very reasonable costs.

This event next Sunday presents an ideal opportunity to make a family day of it, so bring your family and enjoy the RadioFest and the beaches, parks, wineries, shops and restaurants of the Mornington Peninsula.

If you have pre-loved equipment to sell, tables are still available at $10 through www.rosebudradiofest.com.

(John Ross VK3BJR : President SPARC)

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
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This story, and the email threads in the text editions only of both QNEWS and VK1WIA National News Thanks to Sam VK4TTT/FQ

"Eclipser One

A joint team - Stiinta and Tehnica Magazine, with assistance from VK4BS (Howard) and VK4FQ (Sam) launched at 5:30 (QLD TIME) on November 14th, a helium balloon right in the middle of a solar eclipse track.

The balloon had APRS tracking with YO4SJI-11 callsign.

Reports where received by VK4GO (Art at Tolga) VK4FQ (Sam's Cairns IGate) VK4ZZ (Gavin Townsville IGate) and others.

During the tracking, we recorded heights in excess of 36.886Km above the earth before it burst and this broke this teams previous record of 33.5Km.

Brisbane Centre - (ATC) used this information real time via aprs.fi to track the balloon and it's payload through controlled airspace. The launch place approx. 90km from Laura is located on the road between Cairns and Weipa.

The payload consisted of photo and HD video cameras and a scientific logger for UV, IR, Air pressure measurements. The balloon was successfully recovered.

People in the launch and recovery were - Florin Mingireanu and his partner, Marc Ulieru, Catalin Beldea from Romania and Howard (VK4BS) Sam VK4FQ.

Reported by Adrian (Yo3hjv) as far as I know, Eclipser One is on third place by altitude in Australia, after HORUS 16 and HORUS 22 High Altitude Amateur Radio Balloon, so you may be proud

Sam."

DISCUSSION POINT

I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP, and I've been thinking.

You wonder at times whether enjoyment of a recreational pursuit, a hobby, can be like a marriage. Involvement starts out with a tingle of excitement, a sense of commitment develops and explosive times of energy and delight abound.

Then the demands of work/family and other things seem to compound until the great fun times seem to disappear with the proverbial, "I'm too tired" or "I've got a headache" almost to a routine. What once put a spring in one's step now seems to assume the role of being just mundane and ordinary.

Even when opportunity arises, it seems almost too much effort to acknowledge it let alone open a lazy eye for a brief "once over". But is that really how life was meant to be?

This is one of the areas where our network of clubs and our administrative structure can and does provide support. When the world is passing you by it is probably the right time to engage with your local radio club again. As much as people enjoy this hobby in the isolation of their own shacks, they are still social beings whose good health and stability depends on interaction with other people, face to face.

So when it is meeting time for your local club what will your response be? "Sorry, I've got a headache" just doesn't work for me or you. See you at the club.

I'm Geoff Emery and that's what I think....how about you?

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

environment across DHS components.

November 08, 2012 09:00 AM Eastern Time MELBOURNE, Fla. & ROCHESTER, N.Y. (BUSINESS WIRE)--Harris Corporation (NYSE:HRS), an international communications and information technology company, has received $7 million in orders to deliver public safety and tactical communications systems to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and its component agencies, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the U.S. Coast Guard. The orders were awarded through the five-year, $3 billion DHS Tactical Communications (TacCom) indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity (IDIQ) contract vehicle.

"The Coast Guard is using this important procurement vehicle to deploy Falcon III® radios, while DHS is rapidly implementing a Harris P25 system"

Harris will provide the U.S. Coast Guard with Falcon III® AN/PRC-117G multiband manpack tactical radios that will be installed across the Coast Guard fleet to provide interoperable tactical communications with local, state and federal agencies, as well as the Department of Defence.

The AN/PRC-117G radio operates multiple waveforms for narrowband line-of-sight voice and data communications, beyond-line-of-sight satellite communications, communication with public safety agencies, and wideband data communications

Big amateur radio changes ahead for China

Mandatory membership of the Chinese Radio Sports Association will be a thing of the past, as that country moves forward under soon to be announced new amateur service regulations.

For the past 30 years, only a sports organisation could transmit over amateur radio.

It began with the station BY1PK on the 29th of March, 1982, at first on CW and with limited bands.

Now clubs and individuals have their own callsigns throughout the world's most populated country.

The system of them first being a member of a sport-related body, before entering amateur radio, no longer works and will end.

Along with the regulations will be a new entity called the, Chinese Radio Amateur Club, that will be solely focused on amateur radio.

The regulations promise to bring China more in line with its counterparts throughout the world.

The new group will deal with the regulations including visitor licences, conduct exams and licensing, create band plans, allow nation-wide mobile operation, develop emergency communications infrastructure, amateur satellites, and work through the IARU.

Being trialled for emergency communications is a new error-correcting low power data mode for HF radio using Chinese characters, a Software Defined Radio receiver network for noisy locations, an alarm system, VHF and UHF repeaters and training.

New Philippines amateur service rules

The National Telecommunication Commission has revised its regulations to stimulate amateur radio in the Philippines, and introduced a new Foundation Licence which gives access to the 2-metre band and up to 50-watts.

That is addition to the Technician Class on VHF and HF with 200-watts PEP, the General up to one-kilowatt PEP, and the top of the range Extra Class with all bands and up to 2,000 watts PEP.

Clubs with 25 radio amateurs are eligible for a licence. Extra Class Licences of five years standing may be deputised as Amateur Inspectors to visit

stations.

There was freedom to operate mobile, a publically available licensees list, a question bank, vanity callsigns and access to internet linking.

The regulations formally recognise the national IARU society, the Philippines Amateur Radio Association, which celebrates its 80th anniversary on November the 30th at the La Mesa Dam New Guest House at Quezon City.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

GERMAN SPACE AGENCY REJECTS AMSAT DL MARS MISSION

Germany's space exploration plans will not support a proposed ham radio mission to the red planet. We have more in this report:

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After five years of discussions and negotiations with the German space agency, AMSAT-DL reports that nation's space exploration group has withdrawn its support for the amateur satellite organization's plan to send a ham radio satellite to Mars. This is the so-called P 5 or Phase 5 satellite mission.

According to the AMSAT News Service, the agency advised the group that P5's mission was not financially feasible. Also that compared with the current Mars missions the scientific attraction was simply not there. You can read that as being of insufficient interest to the formal scientific research community.

The decision by the German Space Agency also affects plans for a geostationary Earth-orbiting ham radio satellite. This being the so called Phase 3 E which was to be part of the overall P 5 program. None of this is good news for amateur radio's future exploration of the final frontier.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Burt Hicks, in Los Angeles.

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AMSAT-DL officials say that they are not giving up hope for these missions. They note that their organization recently had some interesting meetings in China adding that if it cannot do rocket science in Germany, that it will have to look for other countries.

DARC SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL HORKHEIMER PRIZE

Nominations are being invited by the German national amateur radio society, the DARC, for the prestigious Horkheimer Prize. The prize consists of an etched glass trophy and a monetary prize for non-personal use. The money is to be spent for the promotion of amateur radio however the recipient chooses. The prize can be awarded to one or more persons or institutions.

Any member of an amateur radio society in the International Amateur Radio Union is eligible, and self-proposals are permitted. Nominations must be submitted to DARC by March 28, 2013, and the prize itself will be awarded at the opening of next year's Ham Radio convention in Friedrichshafen. More information in the German language is on-line at www.darc.de

IRTS ANNOUNCES OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED EUROPEAN PLT STANDARD

Ireland's Irish Radio Transmitters Society is the latest national ham radio organization to line up in opposition to a newly proposed pan-European draft digital Power Line or PLT transmission standard. Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, has more:

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Following the news last week that the German National Society, DARC, now opposes a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard, we have heard that the Irish Radio Transmitters Society, like the RSGB, also opposes the standard.

In their magazine they say that "the draft Standard accepts that the PLT devices do not, in effect, meet the essential requirements of the EMC Directive as it prescribes measures to mitigate interference by permanently or dynamically excluding frequencies in the amateur, aeronautical mobile and broadcast bands."

The IRTS Committee took the unanimous view that it would not be appropriate to support a draft Standard that sought only to protect selective sensitive frequencies in the HF spectrum without regard to the levels of interference that could be caused by the equipment concerned on the remainder of the HF spectrum.

For the Amateur radio Newsline, I'm Jeremy Boot, G4NJH, in Nottingham in the United Kingdom.

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As previously noted here on Amateur Radio
Newsline, this new standard concerns the devices
that people install in their homes to run data
over their house wiring. It has nothing to do
with PLC or BPL data that is carried over the
over company power line networks.

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OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW CQ WW DX Contest CW November 24-25
VK Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25
WW ARRL 160 MTR CONTEST November 30
WW RTTY Melee December 1
WW ARRL 10 m Contest December 8- 9

So as you see not a lot happening till years end contest wise, maybe
our WIA Directors and ex-officious looking after Contests, Awards
DX etc etc would like to supply the WIA members and listeners to this
broadcast with material to prove we haven't ALL gone to sleep!!

NOT going to sleep is IARU region One who have just released this months
IARU Monitoring Report on the web and to sister societies,

In Intruder watch we find that a French radar is again active on 7000, 14000,
14250, 21000 kHz using a 20 kHz wide burst system.

They also report that taxi operators in the Russia Federation, Belorussia,
Ukraine and Kazakhstan are using FM in the amateur radio 28 MHz band more
than ever.

Read the International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System (IARUMS)
Region 1 October 2012 newsletter at the web address wia.org.au
and click "This Weeks Broadcast".

I think I have time again to bring you that "DX Code Of Practice" and with
little band activity a good chance to "listen and learn" from John VK2JJW

"I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.

I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.

I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's
call sign before calling.

I will not interfere with the DX station nor anyone calling and
will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.

I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.

I will always send my full call sign.

I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call
continuously.

I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.

I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.

I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.

When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.

I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.

I will respect my fellow radio amateurs and conduct myself so as to earn their respect."

In Ingham where after the eclipse where we are "starting to see the light", I'm Felix VK4FUQ.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

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Read the International Amateur Radio Union Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1 October 2012 newsletter at

http://www.iarums-r1.org/iarums/news2012/news1210.pdf

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Christmas Eve - Ham Radio satellite to flash morse code

Dec. 24 the Japanese students who built FITSAT-1 are planning to active the satellite's LED optical array and flash a message in Morse Code to Earth. The Morse message may be visible with the unaided eye.

According to Takushi Tanaka JA6AVG, the students plan to start testing the optical system at the end of November.

The FITSAT-1 CubeSat was developed by students at the Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT) in Japan. It has a CW beacon on 437.250 MHz and a data link on 437.445 MHz, there is also a 5.8 GHz data downlink.

Further FITSAT-1 information at
http://www.fit.ac.jp/~tanaka/fitsat.shtml

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au

In Maryborough Queensland a very dedicated band of volunteers are working in preparing the local Showgrounds and Equestrian Park to become a working canvass city. People are travelling and sacrificing their weekends at the venue of the Australian National Scouts Jamboree, AJ2013, commencing 2nd

January, next.

As part of the preparations, the pieces of organising a special event amateur radio station are being juggled into place. For the collectors of special event call signs be on the lookout for V-I-4-A-J-S operating on HF, VHF and UHF as well as internet linked modes for what is expected to be a busy 10 days.

For the members of MERG, Inc. this is again a great experience at sharing the great hobby Amateur Radio with other dedicated volunteers, in the world of scouting. Ours is but a small part of the program but with the possibility of having 10,500 scouts accessing the station to earn their Jamboree Award, this is a major event for a regional radio club as well.

For the WIA National News Service, this Geoff, VK4ZPP on behalf of MERG, Inc.

Thanks Geoff, now as I leave you this week, you the listener can take a leaf out of VK4ZPP's book and submitting some news items for next week.

Yes it's easy done to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, just email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your item write in the 3rd person.

>From Melbourne that's all this week I'm Robert VK3DN.

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www.hamcollege.com.au

What use is an f-call? (20120408)

So, you've got yourself a transceiver and it's all working well. You've read the manual more than a couple of times and you know your way around your kit. It's great to know how to operate your own radio and I've spoken to many hams who know their way around their own radio backwards.

I remember one day speaking with an amateur and we were talking about how I could show a spectrum scope showing activity across a band. He lamented that his radio didn't have that functionality. I had a quick look through his system and activated the spectrum scope on his radio. A pleasant surprise for both.

The opposite happened not long afterwards when another amateur was using my rig to listen to a remote station. He fiddled with some settings and magically the station appeared from out of the muck and we could hear it clearly.

I asked him how he did that and after some hand-waving it transpired that there were some settings I knew nothing about - the radio which I'd known for many hours, read the manual backwards and so-on.

It's been on my to-do list for a little while now, but I've just spent an enjoyable couple of hours sitting at my radio, re-reading parts of the manual, learning more about its operating parameters, how to set filters, turn on and off pre-amplifiers, change microphone equalisation and many other settings.

How well do you know your radio - really?

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

DEC 1 VK7 Miena Hamfest

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

MAY 24-25 VK6 WIA AGM AND CONFERENCE IN PERTH

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

NOV 3 VK5 HamFest Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society 2 Goodwood.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

2284. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 16 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-16 11:44:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044630fcfc3c5704ce9b4835@google.com>
Source record: 1401
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ReconRobotics to use 70cm band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HFu2he5RIWM/reconrobotics_to_use_70cm_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The FCC have refused an ARRL petition to stop the use of the amateur radio 70cm band by surveillance robots

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Radio Ham 'saves US Flight from Sandy'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n_SEOF6_qII/radio_ham_saves_us_flight_from_sandy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio amateur Benny Young MI3JQD picked up a ‘Mayday’ call from a United Airlines flight from Dublin to Boston

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Increasing efficiency of wireless networks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tl2rLiRG0ho/increasing_efficiency_of_wireless_networks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Professors at the University of California, Riverside Bourns College of Engineering have apparently developed a way of doubling the efficiency of wireless networks

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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NZ4O 'Free Weekly' MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/olp1UW6OAqA/2012_47.htm?utm_source=feed

burner&utm_medium=email

The NZ4O 'Free Weekly' MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Forecast #2012-47
has been published on Friday November 16, 2012

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UK Six Metre Group DX Cluster enhancements

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QJAmBNGJmjM/uksmg_dx_cluster_enhancements.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK Six Metre Group report a few new developments to the UKSMG website

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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EANET temporary classification

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MtTBGzx3RkE/eanet_temporary_classification.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

One can follow on line the updating results of EANET Sprint Contest 2012
when participants send their logs. No need of waiting for a long time

2285. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 16 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-16 17:08:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04462fdc4c14bc04ce9fd272@google.com>
Source record: 1402
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1840 November 16 2012

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:28 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368560-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1840--November-16-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1840 ☐ November 16 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1840 with a release date of November 16, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. China to revise its amateur radio service rules, French radar signals heard on several ham radio bands, Norway affirms new spectrum for its ham radio community, a rescue radio group receives a large grant to get more gear, the Dayton Hamvention announces the theme of Hamvention 2013 and a new ham radio cubesat will blink a holiday message from space on Christmas Eve. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1840 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: CHINA TO REVISE ITS AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE

Big amateur radio changes ahead for ham radio in China. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports from down-under:

2286. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 16 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-16 17:38:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a112fa8a25d04cea03c6e@google.com>
Source record: 1403
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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LZ DX HF Contest 2012

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 12:13 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368575-LZ-DX-HF-Contest-2012&goto=newpost

Dear fellow contesters,

LZ DX HF Contest will be held this weekend.

This is a good opportunity to check your equipment and antennas before CQ
WW DX CW.

The rules are here:

http://lzdx.bfra.org/rulesen.html

Let's hope for a good propagation.

Good luck and CU in the contest.

73 de LZ1UK

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2013 Titanict Event Pigeon Forge TN

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 11:49 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368511-2013-Titanict-Event-Pigeon-Forge-TN&goto=newpo
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Special Event Call W4S

This Event Is Not Associated With Any Other Titanic Special Event, This
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The Audio Guru ,Maryville TN

470 Amateur Radio Group, East TN

We will start the event on Saturday morning at 9:00 am and continue through Sunday till 3:00 pm.

Event Coordinator Rick Sawaya Sr N4JTQ

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Please Make Sure That Your Return Address Is Correct On The 8 x 10 Envelope . A QSL Card Will Also Be Included Inside The 8 x 10 Envelope With Your Certificate ..If you would like a printed copy the 2012 certificate add 2.00, while these last, not many left out of 250, will be a collectors item !! Please Cash Only, No Checks..

We will also have a Bone Yard Between 9 am and 6 pm on Saturday, and 8 am and 1 pm on Sunday Where You Will Be Able To Sell or Trade On Amateur Radio Equipment. You Will Be Given One Parking Spot To Operate From, There Is No Charge For The Bone Yard.. You Can Not Park Overnight At The Titanic, These Are Their Rules !!

Modes, Voice, Digital, and Satellite Operation, No CW.

Non Members Must Present A Valid FCC License.

2287. eHam.net News for Friday 16 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-16 23:08:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6150141aa60704cea4d833@google.com>
Source record: 1404
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #46 de K7RA:

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 05:31 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29349

Suddenly this week we see an exciting and dramatic rise in sunspot activity. The daily sunspot number was 188 on Monday, November 12, higher than it has been in over a year. The last time the daily sunspot number was as high was on November 9, 2011, when it was 208. Prior to last November, we have to go back nine years into the previous solar cycle, November 26, 2003, to find a number this large. Back then the daily sunspot number was 209.

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County Tyrone Radio Ham Saves US Plane After Contact Lost:

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 01:51 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29344

A radio enthusiast from Castlederg in County Tyrone has been praised for saving the lives hundreds of airline passengers, from his shed. Benny Young was turning the dial on his radio when he picked up a Mayday call from a United Airlines flight from Dublin to Boston. Mr Young said he heard the mayday call just before moved to another frequency. He then relayed information between the pilot and ground control at the airport. "I heard two people talking about Hurricane Sandy and that's what made me stay on the Pacific frequency and I heard the mayday call," Mr Young said. "I ended up talking to the pilot for about 17 minutes and I got the man operating the emergency net to come up to my frequency.

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ARNewsline Report 1840 -- Nov 16 2012:

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 01:57 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29341

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2013 and a new ham radio cubesat will blink a
holiday message from space on Christmas Eve.
Find out the details are on Amateur Radio
Newsline report number 1840 coming your way
right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #47:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 08:15 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29340

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by
KX9X, NC1L, RW6HS, YF1AR, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin,
425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the
ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:58 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29339

This Week in Radiosport:

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QST -- There's an App for That!

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:58 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29338

ARRL members who use Apple iOS mobile devices -- iPhone, iPad and
iPod Touch -- can now download a new dedicated app to access and
browse all issues of the digital edition of QST. This app allows ARRL
members to read QST online or download individual issues of the journal
for offline reading. This free app is available to ARRL members
in the Apple App Store.

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FCC Denies ARRL Petition to Deny ReconRobotics Licenses, but Limits Devices

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:57 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29337

On November 14, the FCC issued an Order on Reconsideration
dismissing a March 2010 Petition for Reconsideration filed by the ARRL
that asked the Commission to deny pending Public Safety Pool license
applications associated with the ReconRobotics Video and Audio
Surveillance System; however, in doing so, the FCC made it clear that
the devices may not exceed 100 kHz of bandwidth.

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Ho Chi Minh City Hosts IARU Region 3 Conference:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:56 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29336

Officials from 16 IARU Member Societies in Region 3 attended the IARU Region 3 15th Triennial Conference. Hosted by the Vietnam Amateur Radio Club, the conference took place November 5-9 in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. The delegates elected a new Region 3 leadership team, appointed regional coordinators and formed two working groups to focus on policy matters and operational and technical matters. These two groups acted on more than 60 documents and recommendations during the conference.

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Dayton Hamvention Announces DX Theme for 2013:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:55 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29335

Throughout its 62 years, the Dayton Hamvention® has showcased the best that Amateur Radio has to offer. Each year, a specific theme -- such as Amateur Radio clubs, global friendship or the advent of digital modes -- spotlights one of the many facets of the Amateur Radio Service. And when Hamvention opens on May 17, 2013, at Hara Arena, the 2013 theme DX Hamvention will reflect an important part of ham radio: the distant contact. "Hamvention is often an important DX destination for amateurs from all over the globe," Hamvention General Chairman Charles Kaiser, KD8JZR, explained. "Working DX is often a mix of magic, conditions and the diligent application of radio theory."

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Be a Star! Enter the Third Annual ARRL Video Contest:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:54 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29334

If you've ever wanted a way to show
the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Third Annual Video Contest! Here's a chance to put that video camera to use: Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our way. If your video takes first, second or third place, we'll post it on the ARRL website for everyone to see.

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W1AW Announces 2012-2013 Winter Operating Schedule:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:54 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29333

With the switch from Daylight Saving Time to Standard Time earlier this month, W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, has updated the W1AW operating schedule to reflect the change the W1AW operating schedule. The standard times have not changed, but the UTC times have.

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W4S Titanic 2013 Event:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:53 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29332

2013 ~ 101 Years Of The Titanic
Special Event April 13th - 14th 2013
2134 Parkway Pigeon Forge, TN 37863
Special Event Call W4S
This Event Is Not Associated With Any Other Titanic Special Event, This Year. Our Special Event Call Will Be The W4S As In Prior Years.

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NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast #2012-47:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:48 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29331

NZ4O MF/HF/6M RX Propagation Forecast #2012-47:

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AmateurLogic.TV 47 is Released:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:51 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29330

AmateurLogic.TV Episode 47 is now available for download. George visits the MFJ Metal Show for some heavy metal fun. Tommy introduces us to the Arduino microcontroller. Peter builds a 1/4 wave garage mounted vertical. Emile talks about calibrating his HF rig with WWV. And of course the usual fun and entertainment.

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'DX Hamvention' Theme for Hamvention 2013:

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 07:49 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29329

When the Dayton Hamvention opens May 17, 2013, at Hara Arena for its sixty-second consecutive year the theme, "DX Hamvention" will reflect an important part of ham radio, the distant contact, according to Charles Kaiser, KD8JZR, General Chairman for the event. "Hamvention is often an important DX destination for amateurs from all over the globe. Working DX is often a mix of magic, conditions, and the diligent application of radio theory", Kaiser said.

2288. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 16 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-17 03:25:23 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357a1007ff004cea86f1b@google.com>
Source record: 1405
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Students 'ham' it up with ISS - Central Florida News 13

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 02:06 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFUn18Tlk9kZ25qlYNVV5LNlhMsdA&url=http://www.cfnews13.com/content/news/cfnews13/news/article.html/content/news/articles/cfn/2012/11/16/kids_ham_it_up_with_

Central Florida News 13
Students ham it up with ISS
Central Florida News 13
That was Ridge Gardner with the Flagler Palm Coast Amateur Radio Club and astronaut Sunita Williams establishing a radio link between the International Space Station and the school. Once the line was open, about 20 kids were able to ask Williams about ...

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Astronaut Suni Williams Enthralls 1000 Flagler Students in a Ham Radio Chat ... - FlaglerLive.com

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 04:11 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4WP-rTv0GGZjXRooEuKCCQ_sy0A&url=http://flaglerlive.com/46845/ham-radio-iss/

FlaglerLive.com
Astronaut Suni Williams Enthralls 1000 Flagler Students in a Ham Radio Chat ...
FlaglerLive.com
It all happened in front of a packed gym at Indian Trails Middle School, Williamss voice coming across as cracklingly clear as through any standard phone connection, thanks to the work of Bob Matson, Mike Lee and their Flagler Palm Coast Amateur Radio ...

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Excited kids go on 'space talk' with Sunita - Times of India

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 05:29 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHR3mlVnxhkzDxj2xE6IBzNh0EzJw&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Excited-kids-go-on-space-talk-with-Sunita/articleshow/17250710.cms

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Excited kids go on space talk with Sunita
Times of India
"The talk was arranged using Telebridge mode as the HAM radio was linked to Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS). ARISS team member Keith Paugh moderated the station at an Italian HAM station from where the link was established ...
City kids quiz Sunita WilliamsAhmedabad Newsline

all 9 news articles

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ARNewsline Report 1840 -- Nov 16 2012: - eHam.net

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 10:02 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNESzhJX26fismXR0562SDLEgLMFcQ&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29341

ARNewsline Report 1840 -- Nov 16 2012:
eHam.net
China to revise its amateur radio service rules, French radar signals heard on several ham radio bands, Norway affirms new spectrum for its ham radio community, a rescue radio group receives a large grant to get more gear, the Dayton Hamvention ...

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Service Sunday for Bill Kleronomos - Radio World

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 09:11 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG-PXACUTy7sYTYJ-e0T3I4-aLbUA&url=http://www.radioworld.com/article/service-sunday-for-bill-kleronomos/216427

Service Sunday for Bill Kleronomos
Radio World
He was also very popular in the ham radio community, KD0HG," according to Mike Irby, director of engineering & IT for Clear Channels Denver cluster. "Ive worked with Bill for several years even before coming to Denver," Mike told Radio World. "He was ...

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Holiday Greens Workshop at Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens - Main Line

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 08:17 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGe_Sq3SG-MUew2KCEWKy8afreF7w&url=http://mainlinemedianews.com/articles/2012/11/16/main_line_suburban_life/life/doc50a664a106643289184119.txt

Holiday Greens Workshop at Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens
Main Line
20 meeting of regional Ham Radio operators. Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club (www.marc-radio.org) stressed, "This program will be an informative form of history and a source of better enforcement practices; all Ham Radio operators are invited. WBA to ...

2289. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 17 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-17 11:28:06 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e889c0081fd04ceaf2d10@google.com>
Source record: 1406
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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New Chinese Data Mode CP-16

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/k6OBaKWP1AA/new_chinese_data_mode_cp16.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Existing amateur radio data modes have been based around the English
alphabet. Now a new mode has been developed to handle Chinese characters

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Go Fly a Kite

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xGErFa1-FMo/go_fly_a_kite.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Richard G3CWI has been publishing a daily series of tips and tricks about
flying and using kite antennas on his facebook page

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New owner for Linear Amp UK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rkf3_c0lHyo/new_owner_for_linear_amp_uk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The DX Shop is pleased to announce the acquisition of Linear Amp UK from
its existing owner who is retiring

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RSGB Centenary webpage

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Sois4FN5tgc/rsgb_centenary_webpage.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In 2013 the Radio Society of Great Britain celebrates its centenary

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Good home wanted for RSGB Radcoms

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fi3YiIViRHI/rsgb_radcoms.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Alan, G3TIE is having a shack clear-out and he would like to find a home
for RSGB Radcoms on CD

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4fLy-5I9Q_s/046_november_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Suddenly this week we see an exciting and dramatic rise in sunspot
activity. The daily sunspot number was 188 on Monday, November 12, higher
than it has been in over a year. The last time the daily sunspot number was
as high was on November 9, 2011, when it was 208

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AU2JCB special call-sign operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/37pncvvv3MM/au2jcb_special_callsign_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AU2JCB is a special call-sign to comemmorate the birth date (30 Nov) and to
tell about the great Indian scientist Sir Jagadish Chandra Bose. He is
Father of Wireless Communication. His demonstration in 1895 and 1897
predates all

2290. SARL News in English 17/11/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-17 16:40:19 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <F426CD0B490E4B9EAD9DC98219DCC1C5@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1407
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 18 November 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

CALL TO URGENT ACTION ON 5 MHz

DX HAMVENTION THE THEME FOR 2013 DAYTON HAMVENTION

CW MESSAGE FROM SPACE FITSAT-1 SCHEDULES CHRISTMAS EVE OPTICAL TRANSMISSION

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

CALL TO URGENT ACTION ON 5 MHz

While Radio Amateurs in the UK are experimenting on the 5 MHz band South Africa are still awaiting the answer to the SARL's request to ICASA to allocate one or more 5 MHz channels. This week RSGB news reported that their popular Sunday evening 5 MHz Sunset Net is changing frequency. The net, as its name implies, meets around UK sunset time on Sunday evenings to compare propagation with that during the 5 MHz GB2RS News earlier the same day. It has for some time met on the UK's 5 371,5 kHz channel. Following a number of reception reports from amateurs in the Republic of Ireland, the net participants have decided to move the Sunset Net's frequency to 5 398,5 kHz, with a backup of 5 278,5 kHz, beginning today, 18 November, as both these latter two channels are available to EI amateurs.

W&#65533;, here, need your action this weekend and on Monday and Tuesday. Monitor the channels between 5 250 and 5 450 kHz and report any transmission heard. We need the date, time and ID of the station or any information that may assist in identifying the organisation licensed.

The SARL needs this information in preparation for the meeting with ICASA on Thursday this week. Mail your findings to artoday@sarl.org.za. Here is a chance to do something for your amateur radio.

DX HAMVENTION THE THEME FOR 2013 DAYTON HAMVENTION

Newsline reports that the theme for the 2013 Dayton Hamvention 2013 will be DX Hamvention to reflect an important part of amateur radio, the distant contact. Charles Kaiser, KD8JZR, General Chairman for the event says that Hamvention is often an important DX destination for amateurs from all over the globe. "Working DX is often a mix of magic, conditions, and the diligent application of radio theory", Kaiser said.

A number of key vendors have already committed to returning to Hamvention® which the Dayton/Montgomery County Convention & Visitors Bureau estimates produces an economic impact of about $4 million for Montgomery County and nearly $10 million regionally. Hamvention®, the world's largest amateur radio gathering, brings about 25 000 people to the greater Dayton area. The three-day event includes exhibits, a flea market, forums, education sessions and license exams. The Dayton Hamvention 2013 is scheduled for 17 - 19 May, visit the website at www.hamvention.org.

CW MESSAGE FROM SPACE FITSAT-1 SCHEDULES CHRISTMAS EVE OPTICAL TRANSMISSION

There will be a Christmas present of sorts from amateur radio in space. On 24 December, the students in Japan, who built the FITSAT-1 satellite, are planning to activate the bird's LED optical array and flash a message in Morse Code to Earth.

According to JA6AVG, the students plan to start testing the optical system at the end of November. As such its Morse message beacon may well be visible from Earth with the unaided eye well before the scheduled transmission date.

FITSAT-1 is a CubeSat that was developed by students at the Fukuoka Institute of Technology in Japan. In addition to the optical transmission system the bird carries a CW beacon on 437,250 MHz and a data link on 437,445 MHz. There is also a 5,8 GHz data downlink.

CONTEST NEWS

Results of the Spring QRP Contest help on the 20th October 2012 are as follows

1st Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT - 1 620 points 2nd Gerrit Rautenbach, ZS2XD - 1 512 points 3rd Christopher van Rensburg, ZS3R - 752 points

The results after adding up all of the 4 contests are as follows: 1st Gerrit Rautenbach, ZS2XD - 4 728 points 2nd Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT - 4 626 points 3rd Pierre van Deventer, ZS6A - 2 560 points

The results of the VHF/UHF contest held on the 15/16th September are as follows:

ROVER 1st ZS60Y - 6 615 2nd ZS6MHH - 4 499 points

LIMITED ZS4VP 6 992 points

HOME MIXED MODES 1st - ZS1NAZ - Analogue 54 282 / Digital 34 570 2nd - ZS6A - Analogue 23 556 / Digital 42 924 3rd - ZS6PX - Analogue 3 123 / Digital 72 684

HOME ANALOGUE ONLY ZS6KTS 7 977

HOME DIGITAL ONLY ZS2ACP 68 917

FIELD STATION ANALOGUE ZS6MRK 54 135

The full results will be published in HF Happenings.

The following are the results of the Antique Wireless Association QSO Party held on 13 and 14 October 2012:

In the AM section top scores are: Denis, ZR6DNS

SSB: 1st Abe, ZS1ZS 2nd Theunis, ZS2EC 3rd Denis, ZR6DNS

Although there were more than 30 stations active on the AM section, only 2 logs and 2 check logs were submitted.

In the SSB Section, there were more than 40 active stations, but only 4 logs and 2 check logs were submitted.

Thanks to all who participated in the QSO Party.

Certificates for the top scores will be in the mail shortly.

CLUB NEWS

The West Rand Amateur Radio Club will host its next flea market at 12:00 on Saturday 01 December 2012 at their clubhouse in Kroton street, Weltevredenpark, Roodepoort. Everybody is welcome. For more information contact Phillip, ZS6PVT, at 083 267 3835 or Geoff, ZS6GRL, at 082 546 5546.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity is on the rise. There are a number of active areas visible on the solar disk which have the potential for flare activity. Active areas 1 610, 1 611, and 1 614 have complex magnetic configurations and have the possibility for C-class and isolated M-class flaring.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 102.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings, with 20 m not far behind. There will also

be frequent 10 m openings due to the higher solar activity.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 18 November - SARL National Field Day still on the go till 10:00 UTC today. 18 November - Log sheets for the RaDAR Contest to be in to Lichtenberg Amateur Radio Club (LARK), PO Box 410, Lichtenburg, 2740 or by email to zs6lrk@nwinternet.za.org. 01 December - West Rand Amateur Radio Club flea market starting at 12:00.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 18:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports at the latest by Tuesday 20 November to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2291. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 17 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-17 17:10:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c7de0249a804ceb3f682@google.com>
Source record: 1408
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Nation 73: CW Sweepstakes

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 12:28 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368643-Ham-Nation-73-CW-Sweepstakes&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 73: CW Sweepstakes is available for download and viewing at
http://twit.tv/hn.

Bob shows us the progress of his new tower installation and how to trace
cables with a cassette recorder. Gordon discusses the CW Sweepstakes, and
George continues building on the SoftRock RXTX Ensemble.

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ZW2FEN - APRS BRASIL

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 10:17 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368623-ZW2FEN-APRS-BRASIL&goto=newpost

ZW2FEN - Special call sign for the APRS STATION Fenarcom 2012 -
International Trade Fair Radiocommunication (www.fenarcom.com.br).
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PU2YEK

2292. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 17 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-17 17:46:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba539e8079f71504ceb475e7@google.com>
Source record: 1409
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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EPC PSK63 QSO Party

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 10:30 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368627-EPC-PSK63-QSO-Party&goto=newpost

Date and Time

Starting time is at 00:00 UTC, and ending time is at 24:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November, 2012.

Objective

The European PSK Club has the honour to invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the EPC PSK63 QSO Party. The objective of the competition is to establish as many contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world by using the BPSK63 mode. Everybody can work everybody for QSO and multiplier credit. MixW statistics files by R3BB for PSK63 QSO Party: http://www.digitalrus.ru/Files/StatsEUEPC.zip (last update 30.10.2012).

EXCHANGE

EPC members should send signal report plus EPC membership number (example ☐ 599 EPC00001). Please make sure that you don't separate «EPC» from the «Number», and you don't use any characters between. Please make sure that your EPC number consists of 5 digits. Other stations should send signal report plus QSO number, starting 001 (example ☐ 599 001).

EPC PSK63 QSO Party: RULES
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?optio...1434&Itemid=83

Welcome in European PSK Club: www.eu.srars.org

EPC Member Center: http://epc-mc.com/

Join EPC ur call:
http://www.eupsk.com/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper&Itemid=5

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EPC PSK63 QSO Party

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 10:24 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368624-EPC-PSK63-QSO-Party&goto=newpost

Date and Time

Starting time is at 00:00 UTC, and ending time is at 24:00 UTC on Sunday 18 November, 2012.

Objective

The European PSK Club has the honour to invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the EPC PSK63 QSO Party. The objective of the competition is to establish as many contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world by using the BPSK63 mode. Everybody can work everybody for QSO and multiplier credit. MixW statistics files by R3BB for PSK63 QSO Party: http://www.digitalrus.ru/Files/StatsEUEPC.zip (last update 30.10.2012) Please update this file 1 day prior to contest.

EXCHANGE

EPC members should send signal report plus EPC membership number (example 599 EPC00001). Please make sure that you don't separate «EPC» from the «Number», and you don't use any characters between. Please make sure that your EPC number consists of 5 digits. Other stations should send signal report plus QSO number, starting 001 (example 599 001).

epc psk63 qso party: rules
http://www.epc-ru.ru/index.php?optio...1434&Itemid=83

Welcome in European PSK Club: www.eu.srars.org

EPC Member Center: http://epc-mc.com/

Join EPC ur call:
http://www.eupsk.com/index.php?option=com_wrapper&view=wrapper&Itemid=5

2293. eHam.net News for Saturday 17 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-17 23:45:48 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447851186960804ceb97b4f@google.com>
Source record: 1410
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Fair Highlights Emergency Preparedness:

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 04:23 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29351

In the wake of Hurricane Sandy, a disaster-readiness fair that highlighted solar oven cooking, water storage, 72-hour emergency kits and HAM radio communication demonstrations seemed quite timely. However, planning for the Emergency Preparedness Fair began many months ago. The event, hosted by the Temecula Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, took place on Saturday, Nov. 10, at the LDS church on North General Kearny Road. Dozens of tables with information and demonstrations on topics pertinent to emergency preparedness were set up in and around the church facility. Additionally, two presentations on food storage and earthquake preparedness were given by specialists in those areas. Gordon Neuls, of Aguanga, an avid HAM radio enthusiast and trainer, manned a booth promoting HAM radio certification. In the case of a natural disaster where normal lines of communication are interrupted, HAM radios can be used to relay information, as well as to send for help and assistance.

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EU Standardises Hamtagonistic Powerline Network Tech:

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 04:22 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29350

The second vote on EN50561-1, the EU standard for running Ethernet over mains circuits, has passed, putting the standard on the books, much to the annoyance of the UK amateur radio operator community. EN50561-1 requires that all Powerline Telecommunication (PLT) kit, which carries networking signals over the mains electrical wires, must avoid the amateur radio frequencies; switch off when not in use; and keep transmission power to a minimum. All powerline networking kit sold in Europe will have to conform to it within the next three years, though it clearly doesn't go far enough for some. UK hams, in the body of the Radio Society of Great Britain, have long opposed the standard, arguing that existing requirements that no device generate undue radio interference should be applied to PLT devices, which would make the vast majority of those in use today illegal. Appeals to Ofcom and Trading Standards failed to get any traction, with Trading Standards deferring to Ofcom while the radio regulator pointed out that it has no power to govern devices that were not designed to emit radio signals. PLT kit is supposed to only send signals over mains wires, but as

such wires are unshielded it inevitably leaks out. Ofcom did extend its remit for the Olympics, giving itself permission to shut down any radio transmission regardless of source, but that right ended with the closing ceremony.

2294. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 17 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-18 03:12:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307f3b0013db4504cebc5f5b@google.com>
Source record: 1411
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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How a radio ham in a Castlederg shed saved hundreds of lives on a US flight
- Belfast Telegraph

Posted: 17 Nov 2012 12:03 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHzGpotNatxgmVJpJxcoBxg5cE37g&url=http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/how-a-radio-ham-in-a-castlederg-shed-saved-hundreds-of-lives-on-a-us-flight-16238741.html

How a radio ham in a Castlederg shed saved hundreds of lives on a US flight
Belfast Telegraph
A ham radio operator helped save the lives of hundreds of passengers on a US-bound flight while sitting in his garden shed in Co Tyrone. Benny Young (29), an amateur radio enthusiast from Castlederg who spends most evenings scanning the airwaves ...

and more

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Tyrone amateur radio enthusiast claims he saved a Boston-bound flight
from ... - IrishCentral

Posted: 17 Nov 2012 05:09 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHp7FTCCBfDzoMkBfa1miuQw4cdKQ&url=http://www.irishcentral.com/news/Tyrone-amateur-radio-enthusiast-claims-he-saved-a-Boston-bound-flight-from-Hurricane-Sandy-179675121.html

IrishCentral
Tyrone amateur radio enthusiast claims he saved a Boston-bound flight
from ...
IrishCentral
Nothing like this has ever happened to me before," Benny Young, an amateur radio enthusiast, told the Ulster Herald newspaper. Young (29) made contact with a United Airlines transatlantic pilot, who was having difficulty reaching Air Traffic Control in ...

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Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 08:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEDJhdm1tPNKvIMfou-f4V2_-xClg&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/amateurradio-emergency-services-disasters-74616

Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters
Electronic Design (blog)
The second morning after Hurricane Sandy hit the East Coast seems like a good time for Electronic Design readers to think about ham radio and emergency response issues. I got involved in these issues myself when my neighbor, Dave, told me about his ...
In Brief ...Chinook Observer

all 2 news articles

2295. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 18 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-18 11:17:48 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba615014efd6ab04cec3254c@google.com>
Source record: 1412
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS school contact planned November 20, 2012. Downlink audible over Europe

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qRVJMcUlrPE/ariss_event_2011.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned 20 November with participants at Liceo scientifico
Giacinto De Sivo – Fondazione Villaggio dei Ragazzi, Maddaloni, Italy

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Call to urgent action on 5 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/E6rdXHhxfwo/call_to_urgent_action_on_5_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

While Radio Amateurs in the UK are experimenting on the 5 MHz band, South
Africa are still awaiting the answer to the South African Radio League's
request to ICASA to allocate one or more 5 MHz channels

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Marlon Brando's Shack

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aCvy5XD3kpU/marlon_brandos_shack.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Back in the 80s, Fernando, EC1AME was reading the Spanish magazine HOLA and
found a very interesting article about Marlon Brando's island in the Pacific

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/VTkQmiIKvXM/wca_1811.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Carlos CT1CSY, Jose CT1GZB and Rafael CT2JXT will be active today, the 18th
of November 2012 from Fortress SaoBras se Sanxete

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AmateurLogic.TV 47: MFJ Metal Show and Arduino

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kqm3-cMVw60/amateur_logic_tv_47.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

George visits the MFJ Metal Show for some heavy metal fun. Tommy introduces us to the Arduino microcontroller. Peter builds a 1/4 wave garage mounted vertical. Emile talks about calibrating his HF rig with WWV. And of course the usual fun and entertainment

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HMxhGS7jGWw/november_18.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that solar activity is on the rise. There are a number of active areas visible on the solar disk which have the potential for flare activity

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Ofcom plans to release 700 MHz TV band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1vgTDSXFSk4/ofcom_plans_to_release_700_mhz_tv_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has published plans to enable the release of new spectrum for future generations of mobile devices

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iPhone/iPad/iTouch App for the X-Ray CubeSat CXBN

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6VBNjSQrVT4/app_for_xray_cubesat_cxbn.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Kentucky Space have released an App for the iPhone, iPad and iTouch that tracks the amateur radio CXBN CubeSat - 437.525 MHz 9k6 FSK AX.25, FM

2296. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 18 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-18 17:35:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae939967f4fb78204cec86bd8@google.com>
Source record: 1413
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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CQ contest question

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 08:08 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368833-CQ-contest-question&goto=newpost

Hi, I'm fairly new to HF after upgrading to General a few months back. I hear a lot of stations on 40M and 20M meters contesting. My question, what information are they collecting from the other answering stations? I think Grid location is part of it, but what other info should I have available for them?

I recorded a little last night
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jDpKo...eature=mh_lolz for reference.
Towards the end you can hear him asking for check & section.

Kelvin

2297. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 18 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-18 19:05:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301d3daa82116c04cec9afde@google.com>
Source record: 1414
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Series Five Episode Twenty-Four - Campbell Island DXPedition

Posted: 17 Nov 2012 04:00 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1948:series-five-episode-twenty-three-amateur-radio-ebooks&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-episode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty-Four of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has been released. The latest news, listener mailbag Ed Durrant (VK2JI/VK2ARE) interviews Tommy VK2IR, DX'Pedition leader and organiser for the Campbell Island DX'Pedition plus Martin Rothwell (M0SGL) reviews the Kempton Park Rally.

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Antenna masts and NSW planning law reform

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:25 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1947:antenna-masts-and-nsw-planning-law-reform&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

New South Wales amateurs will recall that, since October last year, the New South Wales Government has been conducting comprehensive reform to the planning laws.

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Amateur Radio club wants weather transmitter in Minden

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:23 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1946:amateur-radio-club-wants-weather-transmitter-in-minden&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

Minden Amateur Radio Club is hoping to improve weather coverage for residents of Minden Hills and the county.

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World DX Club to close down

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:21 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1945:world-dx-club-to-close-down&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

The World DX Club (WDXC) is to close, a final issue of Contact magazine is to be published in December.

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VooDoo in Liberia

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:20 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1944:voodoo-in-liberia&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

The VooDoo Contest Group will again be active from Liberia between 17-27th November 2012 - their 24th straight year.

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Successful DXpedition to Herm Island

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:17 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1943:successful-dxpedition-to-herm-island&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

The Martello Tower Group are very pleased to report that their inaugural DXpedition to Herm Island was a great success.

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China name change and focus

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:16 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1942:china-name-change-and-focus&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

With about 50,000 radio amateurs, the country with a quarter of the world's population is adopting the new name of the Chinese Radio Amateur Club (CRAC), and going is compulsory membership of a sports-orientated body.

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Mysterious Chinese signals on radio bands

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:06 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1941:mysterious-chinese-signals-on-radio-bands&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Wolf, DK2OM, Coordinator IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1 reports on strange Chinese signals in the amateur radio bands.

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International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:03 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1940:international-day-of-persons-with-disabilities&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

IARU Region 1 report that on 3 December 2012, the World will be observing the International Day of Persons with Disabilities

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Short path propagation charts from the UK

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 01:01 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1939:short-path-propagation-charts-from-the-uk&catid=37:amateur--ham-radio-technical&Itemid=19

Steve G0KYA has now updated his short path HF propagation charts for the
UK for the next three months – November, December and January.

2298. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1087

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-18 20:37:51 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <936921.43046.bm@smtp110.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1415
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1087
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1087

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1087
BID: $OPDX.1087
November 19, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 11th-November, through Sunday, 18th-November there were 231 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0S, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T30, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TN, TR, TT, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2E, VP2M, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B, MAURITIUS. There is a newly licensed ham on the beautiful island of Mauritius. His name/callign is Achmed, 3B8BAE, and his 'Elmer' (and father) is a well-known operator Rachid, 3B8FQ. Currently, you may find

Achmed active almost daily on 28491 kHz SSB, at 1400z, as HF propagation allows. He also plans to be active on CW in the future. Achmed requests, "If you hear me on any mode, please spot 3B8BAE on the DX PacketCluster system, and of course, give me a call. I enjoy meeting new friends!" QSL via his QSL Manager Ron, K5XK, who also handles cards for his Dad, 3B8FQ. Please QSL direct to K5XK with 2 USDs, preferred, although IRCs are also OK. See details on <QRZ.com/db/k5xk> for more info. Do not QSL via the Bureau because there is NO BUREAU in Mauritius. Also, he does not do LoTW or eQSL at this time.

3V, TUNISIA. SWL Ashraf "Ash", 3V4-002 (KF5EYY), will be active as 3V8BB from the "Institute Superieur de L'Animation Pour la Jeunesse et la Culture" in Bir El Bay, Tunis, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or to LX1NO. Read about Ashraf on the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

5G, MOROCCO (Special Event). Special event station 5G12ITD is now active until December 16th. Activity is to celebrate "International Tolerance Day" by UN members on November 16th. Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSL via RW6HS.

5W, SAMOA. Ralph, H44RK, has announced that he will be active from Samoa for a while as of early December. More details will be forthcoming.

5W, SAMOA. A team of 15 German operators will be active as 5W0M from Le Lagoto between April 4-18th (2013). Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY plus 2 meter EME. They plan to have four stations active simultaneously on the air with amp and various antennas. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3526, 7026, 10116, 14026, 18086, 21026, 24906 and 28026 kHz
SSB - 3805, 7095, 14210, 18120, 21255, 24945 and 28440 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7041, 10137, 14077, 18104, 21098, 24924 and 28098 kHz
6m - 50107/CW and 50115/SSB

Operators mentioned are Yl Heidi/DK1MA, Sid/DM2AYO, Rolf/DL7VEE (Team Leader), Franz/DL9GFB, Klaus/DK1AX, Joe/DF1AL, Heye/DJ9RR, Dietmar/ DL2HWA, Uwe/DJ9HX, Martin/DL3KMS, Rudolf/DK3CG, Georg/DL4SVA, Norbert/ DL2RNS, Ernst/DK7AN and Joachim/DL9MS. QSL via DL4SVA, direct or by the Bureau. QSL EME QSOs via DL9MS. A OQRS will be available for QSL requests for Bureau QSLs or direct cards. A Web page is available are: http://5w0m.hkmann.de

5X, UGANDA (2013/Frequency Change). Members of the F6KOP team expected to be active as 5X8C between February 6-18th, 2013, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport, have announced they will comply to the last IARU bandplan on 40m for the region, the frequencies of the PSK and RTTY modes have been moved to 7040 and 7042 kHz. For more details see OPDX.1081 or see: http://www.5x2013.com

6W, SENEGAL. Jeff, N1SNB, will be active prior to the contest next weekend as 6W7/N1SNB. QSL (non-contest only) via N0TG.

8Q, MALDIVES. Max, HB9TUZ, will be active as 8Q7MS from Gangehi Island (AS-013) between December 26th and January 3rd (2013). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB only. QSL via eQSL only.

9J, ZAMBIA. Niko, S53A, will be active as 9J3A from the Kafue National Park (WFF-9JFF-003, WWL KH35) between November 21-26th. This is his fifth operation from Zambia. Activity will be mostly during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op, possibly as a Single-Band (10m) or All-Band (depending on conditions)/Low-Power entry. He will operate from the rain forest, under the tent, with a generator. There is no electricity, nor a Cell-Phone signal. This could be a very dangerous operation with a lot of poisonous insects, snakes, crocodiles, wild pigs or even lions could visit a tent in the middle of the night. He will be running 100w into SpiderBeam and some fixed loops. QSL via S57S (not S53A, not S57A), directly or by the Bureau (a very long wait, see details on QRZ.com). LoTW will be updated a few months after his return home.

AFRICAN TOUR (Western). Peter, HA3AUI, is once again heading to Western Africa in early 2013. Look for him to be active as 6W2SC from Senegal and J5UAP from Guinea-Bissau sometime between January 17th and March 10th (tentative dates). Peter has used these callsigns before. His stays in Cabrousse, Senegal (6W), will be very near to the border of Varela, Guinea-Bissau (J5), and he plans to make regular trips to J5-land for the beautiful beaches there (plans to also operate from there). Using his Elecraft K3 with 500w into a 5-Band Spiderbeam and verticals, Peter's activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly on CW and the Digital modes, but he may use the other modes possibly on request. He will also try to activate some IOTAs and WFF references. QSL direct via HA3AUI or use his OQRS (available after his return). Visit his Web site at: http://cqafrica.net

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R from Tumon (OC-026, USI GU003S, WLOTA L-0064) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Mikiawa/JR7OMD, Hiroyuki/JG7PSJ and Nozomu/JE8KKX. QSL via JH7QXJ, direct, by the Bureau (not the KH2 Bureau) or LoTW.

BY, CHINA. Look for the YinZhou Middle School Amateur Radio Club Station, located in NingBo City, Zhejiang Province, to be active as BY5CD during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Their station consists of 2x Yaesu FT-2000 with stacked antennas for 40m and above. They also have 80m 4 SQ, 160m full size Slope with Beverage, and will use legal limit power. QSL via BD4HF, direct or by the Bureau (May take a long time!). The operator will be Jack, BA4ALC.

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS. The Dayton Hamvention® has announced it theme for 2013. When the Hamvention opens on May 17th, 2013, at Hara Arena, the 2013 theme will be DX Hamvention. Read all about it in this week's November 15th ARRL Letter at: http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter?issue 12-11-15

EF8, CANARY ISLANDS. Mauri, EA8CMX/OHBYS, will be active as EF8S during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band

(160m)/Low-Power entry. He states that he will trying a 3-element wire-Yagis and Beverages. QSL via OH2BYS.

EU, BELARUS. Valentin, EU1AA, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/QRP entry. He has operated the last 60 years in the CQWW DX Contests and is 76 years old. QSL via his home callsign or W3HNK.

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. Mirek, VK6DXI (aka SP5IXI, 9M8DX, 9V1XE etc.), is now active as FK/VK6DXI from New Caledonia (OC-032) until mid-December. He was heard early Sunday morning on 28485 kHz around 0720z. QSL via his home callsign.

HQ, HONDURAS. Hiro, JA6WFM, will be active as HQ2N from San Pedro Sula during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via EA5GL or LoTW. Hiro will be here until January 2014.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-077. Look for special event station 8J6HAM to be active from the Island of Kyushu (WLOTA 0963), Japan, between December 10th and March 3rd (2013). Activity is in celebration of the 12th West Japan Ham Fair. Operations will be on all bands and modes. QSL via the JARL Bureau.

EU-025. Members of the Arcibessi DX & Contest Group will be active as II9P from Sicily Island during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via IT9CHU or LoTW. Operators mentioned are Francesco/IK8TEO, Antonello/IT9EQO, Carmelo/IT9AUG, Vincenzo/IT9CHU, Alfio/IT9EJW, Fabio/IT9GSF, Marcello/IT9CJC, and Robert/S53R (ST2AR). The team reports that this M/S operation is from a new Sicilian contest station. They state, "Good low band antennas, Beverage's on RX, MULT STATIONS QRV on low bands at DX's sunrise/sunset (Sunrise ZL, VK, JA, BY, JT, VU - Sunset VY, PY, VE2, W7, KL, Carribean). Call and we will answer your CQ...! 1850, 3550, 7050 • Pass QRGs." Visit the II9P Web page at: http://ii9p.com

NA-134. Graham, G4MFX, will be visiting Aasiaat Island, Greenland, this week between November 20-26th. Since he is there because of his job, activity will be limited to his spare time. He expects most of his activity will be on November 24th (around 2100z). His callsign will be OX/G4MFX. Operations will be SSB only using his FT817ND with 5 watts into Zepp antennas for 17m and 20m (no other bands). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see details on QRZ.com).

J3, GRENADA. Tom, VE3RSA, will be active as J34K during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/QRP entry. QSL via LoTW.

J6, ST. LUCIA . The "Buddies in the Caribbean" suitcase mini-DXpedition group which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and Buddipole portable antenna systems is going back to St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336) again between December 2-11th. They state, "The north shore villa location was magnificent on our first visit in Feb 2010 and subsequent visits in December of the following years with a new group of operators. Our goal is to demonstrate 'ultralite' DXpeditioning into magnificent 'vista' locations, operating a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all 'having fun' with a new group of operators who have never experienced the 'other side of a pileup!' The eight operators this Dec 2012 are: Everett/W6ABM, Robert/N7QT, Hugh/W4VAB, Bryan/WB8ISG, Scott/KA9P, Jerry/W5TDY, Budd/W3FF (J68FF), and Guy/N7UN (J68UN). There will be 3 villa stations in operation on 160-10m using CW, SSB, and RTTY or PSK. At the same time, several teams will be battery-only, field portable either from St. Lucia beaches or scenic mountain tops and will sign call/p. They group will participate in the ARRL 10m Contest (callsign: J68UN) on Dec 8-9th. QSL via LoTW, eQSL or mail to the operator's home callsign (SASE required)."

JX, JAN MAYEN. Svein, LA9JKA, continues to be active as JX9JKA from Jan Mayen (EU-022) until approx. April 11th, 2013. He operates on SSB and the Digital modes on 160-4 meters (also 60m). QSL via his home callsign direct only (see QRZ.com).

KG6, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will be active as KG6DX in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry. QSL via KG6DX, CBA or QRZ.com address. Also LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 19-25th)....
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

ADDED NOTE (TNX to W8KVK): New Experimental Products Coming -
On December 11th (tentative), SWPC (Space Weather Prediction Center) will introduce two new forecast products titled the 3-Day Forecast and the Forecast Discussion. These new products will: be available twice a day at 0030 and 1230 UTC; provide space weather information in two separate formats, abbreviated and detailed; and use NOAA Space Weather Scale information. Examples of these new products are available to familiarize our users at http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/info/3-Day.pdf (the

concise, 1-page summary) and http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/info/Discussion.pdf (the in-depth space weather analysis for the technical user). These two products will supplement the existing product suite and no current products will be discontinued.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS (Update/Change). Operators Jussi-Pekka/OH6RX and Esa/OH7WV will be active from Saipan Island (OC-086) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. Callsign will be AH0DX and QSL via WX8C. Time permitting, some operating outside of contest one day before and one day after may take place. Operators will be on Saipan between November 22-27th, and will probably use the callsigns KH0/homecall outside of the contest.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. A team of operators will be active as LX7I during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LX2A. Operators mentioned are YL Sandy/DL1QQ, Helmut/DK6WL, Gerd/DF9TS, Mike/DF3VM, Frank/PA4N, Philippe/LX2A and possibly others. Also, visit the following Web page at: http://www.lx2a.com

NH7, HAWAII. Al, NH7A/F5VHJ, will be active as NH7A from Keaau during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, by the REF Bureau or LoTW.

NP2, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS. Brad, K7EUG, will be active as K7EUG/NP2 from St. Croix (NA-106) between November 19-27th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, definitely be on SSB and possibly digital. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

NP3, PUERTO RICO. Jaime, WP3A, will be active as NP3X from the Coamo Contest Club station during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power/Assisted entry. QSL via NP3O. Visit the following Web page at: http://kp2b.net

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Carsten, OY1CT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. This will be a part time operation; no 160m. QSL via OY1CT.

P3, CYPRUS. Jack, R2AA (ex-RW3QC), will be active as P3N during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via RW3RN.

PACIFIC TOUR. Bob, 5B4AGN, is planning a lightweight Pacific trip for February 2013. Look for him to be active as KH2/G3ZEM from Guam (OC-026) between February 9-13th (2013) and as V63ZM from Micronesia between February 13-23rd. Activity will be on 80-10 meters but may include 160m if a useful antenna arrangements can be made. He will use his K3 radio and KPA-500. QSL via M0URX.

PG100, THE NETHERLANDS. Fred, PA0FAW (ISWL Member), will be operating as PG100NOM between December 1-28th. Activity will be mostly on CW and SSB with some Digital. Operations will be in WFF-PA-005 (For the World Fauna and Flora Award). Fred will use a 3 element beam for 10, 15 and 20. QSL is 100 percent and SWL reports are very welcome. See QRZ.com

for details.

PT0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update). Just a reminder that the
PT0S team has extended their operation to cover the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via HA7RY. The team
has three stations on the air CW, SSB and RTTY. The latest updates are
available at their Web page. Also the PT0S's log is now on their Web
page and ClubLog at: http://pt0s.com
https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/PT0S
As of 1045z, November 18th, PT0S has made a total of 25251 QSOs with
9283 Unique callsigns (14760/CW, 9789/SSB and 704/RTTY). Breakdown by
continent is: 514/AF, 0/AN, 1510/AS, 11292/EU, 9497/NA, 278/OC and 2160/SA.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 18th)

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5G12ITD via RW6HS (d) FK8DD via LZ1JZ OM/HA5RT via HA5RT
6Y3M via VE3NE G3XLQ via AF4K OT4A via ON4AEK
7Z1TT via NI5DX GX4SRC via G3SVK P4/VE7QC via VE7QC
9A203ND via 9A3ND H44MS via DL2GAC P29VCX via SM6CVX
9M2/OH1VR via OH1VR HA/OM0AM via OM0AM PA/ON2KMJ/P via
ON2KMJ
9Y4/DL7VOG via DL7VOG HB9EME via EA7FTR PR2P via PY2OE (d)
A31KJ via JA1KJW HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (d) PT2ZXR via DJ0XR
A31VE via JA8VE HV5PUL via IW0DJB R1943S via RN4ABD
A65CI via IZ8CLM J6/K7KMR via K7KMR SC2012ARDF via
SM6AGR
CO4SM via HA3JB (d) J28NC via F5RQQ SN2012UP via SQ9PPO
CO6LE via EA5GL J75Z via K7ZZ SO5O via SP5KVW
CO8WOH via RW6HS (d) JU850CS via JT1CS TM2VD via F8DFO
DU1/OE3SGU via OE3SGU JU850KAA via JT1KAA VK2IA via DK2BJ
EA3GYK via DK7TM KH6LC via WA6WPG VP8DLB via 2M1DHG
EA8/DL3BC/P via DL3BC KH7Y via EA5GL W0V via KB0NMQ
ED5URR via EA5URR KP3A via W3HNK XL3A via VE3AT
EG1MOU via EA1URO LX/PA3ERA via PA3ERA XQ7HL via CE3AA
EG5ERC via EA7HBC LX/PA3EZC/P via PA3EZC YU100SAF via YU1AVQ
EG5MSV via EA5URR LZ6K via LZ2PL
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

3V8BB DIRECT QSLS. Ashraf "Ash", KF5EYY (SWL 3V4-002), and one of the
operators of 3V8BB and 3V8SS, reports that he just received a box of
QSL cards (with 140 cards) from the Director of the Institute in Tunisia
where the 3V8BB station is located. Ash states, "The secretary didn't
know what to do with them, she simply stored them in a box! Some of
them are old QSLs. I'm processing these QSLs and I'll answer them all
direct. I added on my Web site a QSL Status Page for you to follow-up
at: http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002
If there is any problem, please don't hesitate to contact me. Sorry for
the delay!"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 8P6DR, 9A7A, 9Y4D, A71AM, AH0/N0AT, AL1G, CX2AQ, DL8PF, DL9UBF, E74IW, EO2012KW, HC6EP, KL2R, KL8DX, KP2MM, LA5VSA, MW2I, NH8S, P4/PG4DX, RU0FM, RX1CQ, SM5AQD, SV3DCX, VE3MJR, VK5PAS, YL2KF, YO9HP, ZC4LI, ZD8O, ZD9UW, ZL1BYZ, ZM4T and ZS2DK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3A/G0VJG, 4L1MA, 5B/W2TAA, 5B4AII, 5U5U, 6O3A, 8P6DR, 8Q7OE, A5A, C4M, C50C, CY9M, E21EJC, EX8MLE, IP1T, J28AA, J39BS, KH8/DL3DXX, P3N, T6JP, T77C, TT8PK, VP5DX and ZS7/DL1LLL

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3G1TUW, 4U1WRC, 4Z13AR, AH0J, C31LJ, C5YK, D2AM, DS4DRE, EM15UCRF, H40FN, HK1R, HL5BLF, J37T, J45PO, J73CCM, JA7DOT, JA7ODY, JG7MFN, JH0JDV/0, JH4UYB, JI1LET, JR1MAF, JT1RF, JY4NE, KH0/KH2F, KP4KE, LZ907SKB, NY8A/KH2, PJ7/K5SL, R0/KE5JA, RG50F, RJ3AA, S56P, S550ACP, SP100MSC, V31MD, V5/DJ2HD and VP2MWG

RI1, FRANZ JOSEF LAND. Eugene, UA4RX, will be active as RI1FJ from Franz Josef Land (EU-019) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via UA2FM direct, an OQRS is available on ClubLog.

T40, CUBA. Cuban operators Carlos/CO2CW, Winston/CO2WF, Juan-Carlos/CO2JD and Manuel/CO2MS will be active as T40C during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Op/Single-Transmitter entry on 80/40/20/15/10 meters. QSL direct to address on QRZ.com.

T6, AFGHANISTAN (Update). As reported alst week, Mike, KI4MRH, is now active as T6MH from Afghanistan, and expects to be there until October 2013. Activity will be on 80-10 meters (no 30m) using SSB and the Digital modes (PSK-31/PSK-63/JT-65). He will use 100 watts (SSB) and 30 watts (Digital) into a 40 meter Inverted Vee and a 20 meter vertical. This past week Mike has be real active on 20/17/15 meters using the Digital modes. Also, OPDX was informed that he now has a QSL Manager, so QSL via W2GR direct w/GSs or IRC and SASE.

T8, PALAU. Naotsugu, JA1MML, will be active as T8NS from Palau (OC-009) between November 21-26th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL route TBA.

TC2, TURKEY. Members of the Bulgarian Elecraft Contest Team will be active as TC2M during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LZ1NK. Operators mentioned are Stanislav/LZ1GC, Stoyan/LZ1SDR, Krasimir/LZ2UW, Mike/LZ2NW, Vesko/LZ2JE, Darin/LZ2NG, Chrsito/LZ3FN and Veselin/LZ5VK. There will be activity outside of the contest using the callsign TC2W. Visit the group's Web page at: http://tc3a.alle.bg

TF, ICELAND (Update). Operators Phil/G3SWH, Tom/N3ZZ, Andrew/UA3AB, Mike/WA6O,
Oskar/TF3DC, Yngvi/TF3Y and Thorvaldur/TF4M will activate the TF4M Rhombic Farm club station in Otradalur, using the callsign TF4X during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via G3SWH, direct only or the OQRS. For more on the TF4M station, see: http://www.tf4m.com
Also for a log search, see: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/tf4x.html

TG, GUATEMALA. Martin, DL5RMH, is now active as TG9/KF5LSG until January 13th, 2013. Activity will be holiday style on CW and RTTY, using an Icom IC-706 MKII into a Cushcraft R7. Martin will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest using the callsign TG9IDX as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL5RMH, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW.

V4, ST. KITTS (NA-104). Andy, N2NT, will be active as V47NT from the QTH of V47KP between November 19-26th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via W2RQ. Andy adds, "The operation is dependent on getting the station back together :) There is a lot of work to be done there."

V8, BRUNEI (Update). The members of the Gemilang Amamteur Radio Club (GEMILANG Radio) and the Mediterraneo DX Club continue to be active as V84SMD from Brunei (OC-088, WLOTA 1628) until November 23rd. An interesting log search is available at: http://www.maxlaconca.com/logv84smd
QSL via IK2VUC, direct, by the bureau or the OQRS. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW 4-5 months after the activity. Further information can be found on their website at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd
As of 1724z, November 18th, V84SMD has made a total of 27568 QSOs with 10210 Unique callsigns (38%/CW, 43%/SSB and 19%/Digi). Breakdown by continent is: 1%/AF, 50%/AS, 38%/EU, 8%/NA, 2%/OC and 1%/SA.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Victor, VA2WDQ, will be active as VE2EKA from Sept-Iles in Zone 2 during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Assisted entry. Victor will be in Zone 2 between November 22-26th. QSL via VA2WDQ.

VK6, AUSTRALIA. Bernd, VK2IA, will be active as VK6AA during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via his new QSL Manager Uli, DK2BJ. ADDED NOTE: QSL all of the following - VK2IA, VK6AA, VK8VJ, VK9AA and VK9AA/9 via DK2BJ. Bernd reports that his old manager Peter, DL8YR, passed away earlier this year and Uli has kindly offered his help and support. Uli's postal address is (for those who wish to send QSLs direct): Uli Hacker, Karl-Marx-Allee 155, 52066 Aachen, Germany. Bernd states, "I will upload all my VK logs to LotW before the end of the year."

VK8, AUSTRALIA. Tom, OZ1AA, will be active as VK8GM (from Gregory's QTH) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via VK8GM, direct or by the Bureau.

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Will, AA4NC, will be acvtive as VP2ME from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) between February 13-20th (2013). Activity will be on the 30/17/12 meter bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th). QSL via LoTW.

VP8/S. SOUTH GEORGIA (Update). Mike, GM0HCQ/MM, onboard the "Royal Research Ship James Clark Ross, is scheduled to possibly be active again as VP8SGK from King Edward Point Base station, South Georgia (AN-007). According to his latest update [edited]: "The current plan has the ship working cargo at Bird Island on Sunday, 18th November. If the cargo work is not completed and the weather remains good then the ship may well remain

here for a further day, which means that at present the proposed arrival dates for King Edward Pont, South Georgia, are either Monday 19th or Tuesday 20th. The ship is likely to arrive by 1200z. If the ship does arrive at 1200z, then I am likely to have work to carry out for most of the morning and part of the afternoon. I do have to visit the base to look over the radio equipment and once I have done this I would hope to be able to operate as VP8SGK. . I anticipate this to be after 1700 or 1800z. Proposed frequencies: As it is likely to be an afternoon of operating I suspect that ideally I would be best working on 15m. However, there may be an issue with the antenna and the transceiver not loading on this band. If so I will then have to drop down to 17m and perhaps 20m. I propose to use the following frequencies: 21187kHz, 18157kHz or 14187kHz. All operations will be on SSB, which is not by choice but due to not wanting to carry a whole pile of kit ashore with me. The transceiver is a commercial unit, a Skanti TRP800 (I think) and does not have any fancy filters. Hopefully, I will be able to plug in a set of headphones from the ship." QSLing is only direct for all contacts. All contacts will be on e-QSL or LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLS. Full details on QSLing are available at: http://www.gm0hcq.com/qsl.htm Details about Mike and the "James Clark Ross" are avaialble at: http://www.gm0hcq.com

VU2, INDIA. Prasad, VU2PTT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via the LoTW, by the Bureau or direct using the info on QRZ.com.

XV, VIETNAM. Retu, OH4MDY (OX3RZ/XU7MDY/XV2MDY), will once again be active as XV2RZ from Southeast Vietnam between November 23rd and December 10th. Activity will be on 20-6 meters using the "normal modes" (CW and SSB). QSL only direct via OH4MDY with a SASE and 2 USDs. His log will be available online at: http://www.clublog.org

XW, LAOS. By the time you read this, Naim, OD5LN, who was just active as XU7HRN from Sihanoukville, Cambodia, is expected to be active from Laos until November 24th. As of press time callsign is unknown. QSL via OD5LN.

YI, IRAQ. The "Iraq Amateur Radio Society" (IARS) club station YI1IRQ is once again back on the air as of November 14th. The last legitimate airing of YI1IRQ was in August 2008. Visit the IARS Web page at: http://www.iraqi-ars.org

Z6, KOSOVO. Marijan, S56A, will be active as Z6/S56A from south of Pristina, close to the Serbian monastery of Gracanica, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a multiplier for the contest. He will operate as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Marijan will be in Kosovo between November 22-26th. Activity outside of the contest will be on all bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. His equipment: TS-480 and a homemade coaxial multiband vertical antenna. QSL via S56A.

ZM4, NEW ZEALAND. Members of the East Coast Contesters ZM4T/ZM2M Team will be active using the callsign, ZM4T, in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Multi entry. Operators mentioned are:

Lee/ZL2AL, Gary/ZL2IFB, Holger/ZL3IO, Peter/ZL2LF, Tom/ZL2MY and John/
ZL1BYZ. QSL via ZL2AL, only direct or LoTW with in 30 days or OQRS via
the ZM4T Web page at: http://www.zm4t.com

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mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
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Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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2299. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-18 21:00:07 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121118210003.5D02733C2F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1416
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 18th November 2012

Great Sadness

It is with great sadness to hear of the passing of Maura McClarey loving wife of EI6S George McClarey of Rosemount Co Cavan.

Maura sadly passed away in Cavan hospital on the 9/11/2012. May she rest in peace

George EI6S would be well known in the low band DX community worldwide and is a great pioneer and ambassador for amateur radio in Ireland.

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to George and his family friends and relation in this challenging time.

Mayo Rally

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network rally takes place today at the Welcome Inn in Castlebar. Doors open at 11 a.m. and the usual traders will be in attendance.

All details are available on www.ei7mre.org the Mayo Radio Experimenters Network web site.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group AGM

On Wednesday the 7th of November 2012 last, members of the Tipperary Amatuer Radio Group met at Raheen House Hotel at 8.30pm for their 18th Annual General Meeting. This was a well attended meeting with group members travelling from Co Kilkenny, Co Waterford, Co Limerick and Co Cork joining their Co Tipperary based colleagues. Paul EI3ENB chaired this very productive meeting with John EI7IG reading the minutes from last years AGM. The group treasurer Thomas EI2IT reported a healthy financial situation for this amateur radio group which was formed in October 1994. A review of the year and the group activities were then discussed at length. Particular praise was given to Eddie EI3FFB for reading the weekly IRTS news every Sunday evening at 8.30pm on 145.450mhz FM. Eddie provides a valuable service for the group and his efforts were very much appreciated. The new committee was elected for the coming year and the meeting concluded at 11.30pm when Paul EI3ENB

thanked all for their input and efforts in attending this most important event of the calender year for TARG. The new committee was elected as follows:-

Chairman- Paul Norris EI3ENB Vice Chairman - Eddie Kavangh EI3FFB Secretary - John Ronan EI7IG Treasurer -Thomas Hallinan EI2IT ThomPRO - Hugh O'Donnell EI2HI

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5 MHz 'Sunset' Net Changes Frequency

The popular Sunday evening 'Sunset' Net on 5 MHz is changing frequency. The net, which as its name implies, meets around UK sunset time on Sunday evenings to compare propagation with that during the 5 MHz GB2RS News earlier the same day has for some time met on the UK's 5371.5 kHz channel.

Following a number of reception reports from Amateurs in the Republic of Ireland, the net participants have decided to move the Sunset Net's frequency to 5398.5 kHz (with a backup of 5278.5 kHz), beginning Sunday 18th November as both these latter two channels are available to EI Amateurs, whereas 5371.5 kHz is not.

We hope that more EI Amateurs with 5 MHz experimental licences will join us here in the future and indeed welcome all wishing to participate.

Galway Radio Experimenters

Galway Radio Experimenters club held their AGM in the Anno Santo hotel, Salthill on Sunday 11th November. The following were elected: Chairman; Larry EI9CN Secretary; Damian EI2HG Treasurer; Tom EI3ER

Committee members: Aengus EI4ABB Tycho EI9EXB

Tom EI3ER gave a very interesting lecture on the Clifden Marconi site. The next club meeting for GREC is Monday 3rd December.

DX News

Lord Howe Island will be activated by two Finnish operators from 17 - 27 November. They will use the callsigns VK9/OH1VR and VK9/OH3JR on 160 - 6m with CW, SSB and RTTY. Lord Howe Island counts as a separate DXCC entity and has the IOTA reference OC-004. QSLs go via the operators' home calls.

OZ6TL will operate as E51TLA from Raratonga in the South Cook Islands until 8 December. QSL manager is OZ6TL and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

For those who have not yet worked Gerry 7P8CC in Lesotho and still need this DXCC entity for a new one look out for 7P8D between 23 November

and 3 December. This is the callsign of a multi-national DXpedition and they will have three stations running 24/7. More details are available on http://www.zs2dl.co.za/7P8D.html

Oliver W6NV will be on Ascension Island from 19 - 30 November. He will use the callsign ZD8W and also be active in the CQ WW DX CW Contest on the weekend of 24/25 November. QSL to his home call.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2300. eHam.net News for Sunday 18 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-18 23:20:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <00235444771f2a491004cecd40a5@google.com>
Source record: 1417
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Astronaut Suni Williams Enthralls Flagler Students in a Radio Chat From ISS

Posted: 17 Nov 2012 04:28 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29353

So, Suni Williams, what do you and your family sacrifice to be able to travel in space? Over. "Well," Williams, one of the most decorated astronauts in the world, replies, "the biggest thing we sacrifice is seeing each other. You know, we don't really get to choose when we go to space, so you might miss birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, and even if somebody gets sick at home you don't really have a choice about when you're coming home. So if something happens to somebody back on earth, I can't necessarily go see them. So I think that's probably the biggest sacrifice. We do have internet phone and video conferencing, so we do get to see them, but we know we won't be up here for long so we are all enjoying the time that I'm up here, and I'm relaying some of my stories to them, so that's making it better. Over." It could have been an exchange on Charlie Rose, who likes to have conversations with history-makers -- Williams, an Indian-American (that is, India) holds the record for longest space walk by any woman, most space walks and longest time in space, among other records.

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Excited Kids go on 'Space Talk' with Sunita:

Posted: 17 Nov 2012 04:26 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29352

AHMEDABAD: Fourteen students got a chance to talk to Sunita Williams, the US astronaut of Indian origin, through HAM radio on Wednesday, the first day of the Gujarati new year. Sunita fielded questions about her life aboard the International Space Station (ISS), her future plans, factors that influenced her choice of a career as a NASA scientist among others.

2301. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 18 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 03:32:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61469a27698c04ced0c397@google.com>
Source record: 1418
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio vibes - New Straits Times

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 03:58 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEjhZE2Lg7K5TS_CFAhZ77gW_LiJA&url=http://www.nst.com.my/life-times/tech/radio-vibes-1.173093

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Apart from being the treasurer, she is also an Amateur Radio operator — also called ham radio operator — having earned a Class B licence from the Malaysian Communications And Multimedia Commission (MCMC) in 2008 that enables her to operate radio ...

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Fort Wayne hosts largest Hamfest in Indiana - WANE

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 12:03 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFTmPhbrhtGaMPqk1CTwAuUnjALkQ&url=http://www.wane.com/dpp/news/local/fort-wayne-hosts-largest-hamfest-in-indiana

Fort Wayne hosts largest Hamfest in Indiana
WANE
"There are 300,000 amateur radio operators in the United States and about 10,000 or so in Indiana alone, so there is a lot of interest here," Boyer said. Boyer said people come to the event to socialize with other amateur radio operators. Some of these ...

and more

2302. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 19 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 07:35:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fcda7e0e70904ced42807@google.com>
Source record: 1419
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Seanet convention 2012 - kuala lumpur, malaysia (23-27/11/2012)

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 04:22 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368817-Seanet-convention-2012-kuala-lumpur-malaysia-(23-27-11-2012)&goto=newpost

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To all SEANET 2012 Participants,

IMPORTANT NEWS TO ALL PARTICIPANTS (04 October 2012):

We would like to inform those interested to participate in 40th SEANET Kuala Lumpur, to register and confirm their participation before 15 November 2012, to guarantee your accommodation at the conference hotel.

Please take note that the hotel is fully booked for 27th November 2012 onward.

The organizing committee is unable to guarantee your accommodation at the conference hotel for registrations made after 15 November 2012.

To all who have registered, thank you for your participation and we look forward to meet you soon.

Your attention and immediate action to this is much appreciated.

Thank you.

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You may download the registration form, by clicking the image below.

Kindly submit the COMPLETEDregistration form to REGISTRATION@2012SEA.NET .

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Conference fees are as follows:-

* (please click for a larger size). Kindly clear your browser cache to see the latest update.

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Credit Card via PayPal
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Account Name:MARES Secretariat

Email Account: registration@2012sea.net

Account Name: MARES Secretariat

Account Number: 2141-3800-1303-09

Bank Name: RHB Bank

Branch: KLCC Branch, Kuala Lumpur

Swift code No:RHBBMYKL

For any enquiry, kindly contact the conference secretariat at secretariat@2012sea.netor call Program Director, Mr Issac Husin, 9W2RI at +60 17-733 8676.

Thank you and we wish to welcome you to 40th SEANET 2012, Kuala Lumpur.

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2303. JFet Regenerative Radio circuits.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 09:14:21 UTC
From: SeanVN <bitterlemon40@yahoo.ie>
Message-ID: <9b8cbdb9-b36f-4b1d-96d0-90de2bf41ff4@googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1420

I have done a hub-page about JFET regenerative receivers:
http://litetec.hubpages.com/hub/JFET-Regenerative-Radio-Receiver
I have also posted a good amount of information on "The radio board" about regenerative receivers recently.

2304. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 19 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 11:14:12 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f5024ee3639ca04ced737f1@google.com>
Source record: 1421
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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HF noise measuring receiver project

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/398yrxrFzOg/hf_noise_measuring_receiver_project.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chris G4HYG brings news of the internet linked HF noise measuring SDR receiver project he is working on

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Excited kids go on 'space talk' with Sunita

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7RBtXJBD2kU/excited_kids_go_on_space_talk_with_sunita.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Times of India reports on the recent contact by ISS Commander Sunita Williams KD5PLB and students in India

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RF Spreadsheet now online

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FqePs4jnvzk/rf_spreadsheet_now_online.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Andy Foad G0FTD has made a collection of RF calculations available in a spreadsheet

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Dayton Hamvention News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cvCUufHDKnQ/dayton_hamvention_news.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Dayton Hamvention has announced its theme for 2013

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DVAP and Raspberry Pi over 3G

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iyks49PXKsA/dvap_and_raspberry_pi_over_3g.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

M1EIV has used his Raspberry Pi computer board as part of a portable D-Star
Digital Voice Access Point (DVAP) station

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Icqpodcast - Campbell Island DXPedition

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gqieA3-nOCM/icqpodcast_campbell_island_
dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ed Durrant VK2JI interviews Tommy VK2IR, DXpedition leader and organiser
for the imminent ZL9HR Campbell Island DXpedition

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yvTIXRgHpdA/dxcc_report_1911.htm?utm_so
urce=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
11th-November, through Sunday, 18th-November there were 231 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P1tkDeqHf_Y/november_19.htm?utm_source=
feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Buddies in the Caribbean heading back to St. Lucia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-UOUOWimigg/buddies_in_the_caribbean.ht
m?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 'Buddies in the Caribbean' suitcase mini-DXpedition group which
specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and Buddipole portable
antenna systems is going back to St. Lucia again

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Kafue National Park operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hhUrblY7g2g/kafue_national_park.htm?utm
_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Niko, S53A, will be active as 9J3A from the Kafue National Park
(WFF-9JFF-003, WWL KH35) between November 21-26th. This is his fifth
operation from Zambia

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St Peter and St Paul Rocks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v8b4Uzkvygs/st_peter_and_st_paul_rocks_1911.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The PT0S team has extended their operation to cover the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5KXYSVmnEKo/history_19_november.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2305. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 13:00:20 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20121119130005.182C033C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1422
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 18th November 2012

The news headlines:

* Longest-serving GB2RS Newsreader becomes silent key

* Latest news on PLT

* New frequency for 5MHz Sunset Net

The Radio Society of Great Britain is saddened to report that its longest serving GB2RS Newsreader, Jimmy Porter, GI3GGY, died on Wednesday 7 November. He was 92 years of age and had spent the two previous weeks in hospital. Jimmy was an active member of the RSGB's news broadcasting team until 2009/2010. He thus served in this capacity for some 55 years. In March 1954 he was asked by the RSGB Secretary, John Clarricoats, G6CL, to make a test AM voice transmission on 40 metres in order to assess the hoped-for UK coverage during daylight hours. Subsequently, the RSGB obtained permission from the GPO to broadcast GB2RS news on the 80m band. The first GB2RS news broadcast was actually made by Frank Hicks Arnold, G6MB, of Walton-on-Thames, on 25 September 1955. H owever, shortly afterwards the GPO gave permission for 40 metres to be used as well, and Jimmy commenced news reading each Sunday morning on 7047.5kHz. He employed an RCA ET4336 broadcast transmitter and a massive HF log periodic antenna for the purpose. Our thoughts are with his family at this difficult time.

For over 15 years the RSGB has been active in standards work for powerline communications devices. The Society's position opposing the latest proposals was presented to the UK BSI committee, supported by other members, but the UK voted in favour which, along with other EU national committees, caused the standard to be approved. What does this mean for UK radio amateurs? New devices must be certified to meet EN50561-2012, which gives significant protection to the amateur HF bands through fixed notching to the levels of the previous standard. It also requires a test to confirm dynamic power control, which reduces levels dependant on the insertion loss between the PLTs. Broadcast DX frequencies are outside the notch-protected bands and could suffer interference 10,000 times higher than previously. Intermodulation effects could also give rise to interference in the protected bands. We are starting a campaign to investigate and report all problems thought to be caused by these devices. We need your help, as only by proving that these devices cause real problems can we successfully lobby for

modification to standard to reduce the permitted emissions. The small number of problems reported from the large population of these devices already installed in Europe swayed the vote on the standard. You can read more abut this in the January 2013 RadCom and on the RSGB website.

The popular Sunday evening 5MHz Sunset Net is changing frequency. The net, as its name implies, meets around UK sunset time on Sunday evenings to compare propagation with that during the 5MHz GB2RS News earlier the same day. It has for some time met on the UK's 5371.5kHz channel. Following a number of reception reports from amateurs in the Republic of Ireland, the net participants have decided to move the Sunset Net's frequency to 5398.5kHz, with a backup of 5278.5kHz, beginning today, 18 November, as both these latter two channels are available to EI amateurs. It is hoped that more EI amateurs with 5MHz experimental licensees will join the net in the future. They welcome all who wish to participate.

A Russian taxi business from the Moscow area is using FM on 21.4042MHz daily. You can often hear a female voice organising the business. IARU Region 1 continues to monitor the situation and encourages all amateurs to continue to use the frequency as normal.

Since October, mysterious Chinese signals on 7, 14, 21 and 21.010MHz have been heard. At first the A3E signals were sounding like a grunt or moo. These very strong multitone signals with a carrier and both sidebands have been heard

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And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The Mayo Radio Experimenters Network Radio Rally will take place today, 18 November, at the Welcome Inn, Castlebar, Co Mayo. Doors open at 11am and admission is 5 per adult. Children are free. The usual traders will be in attendance. More information about the rally can be found on the club website, www.ei7mre.org.

The North Wakefield Radio Club Rally will take place on Saturday 24 November at Drighlington [pronounced Drig-ling-tan] Community Hall, Moorland Road, Drighlington BD11 1JZ. Talk in is on S22, doors open at 10.30am and admission is £2, with accompanied under 14s free. More details from Tony, G0JVI on 0774 000 3159.

On 25 November it's the 34th CATS Radio & Electronics Bazaar, held at 1st Coulsdon Scout HQ, at the rear of the Council Car Park, Lion Green Road, Coulsdon, Surrey. Doors open from 10am to 1pm and admission is £1. There will be a Bring & Buy. Details from Glenn, G4FVL, at chairman@catsradio.org.

Also on 25 November, the Plymouth Radio Club Rally will be held at Harewood House, The Ridgeway, Plympton, Plymouth PL7 2AS. This is a new venue for this event. Doors open at 10am and admission is £2. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as a talk-in station.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

HB9OAU will be on the air as 8Q7AU from the Maldives, IOTA reference AS-013, between 26 November and 11 December. Activity will be holiday style on 10 through to 80 metres, SSB only. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the bureau.

Dave, WJ2O will be active as 8P9DF from Barbados, which is IOTA reference NA-021, from 20 to 28 November, including an entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest. He will operate almost entirely CW, with a focus on 30, 17 and 12 metres outside the contest. QSl via his home callsign.

UU5WW, UU0JR and UT5JCW will be active as 3W2J from Vietnam on 22 to 28 November. The main activity will be during the CQ WW DX CW Contest; outside the contest they will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 10, 15, 20, 40 and 80m. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and LoTW. Direct cards via K2PF; an OQRS will be provided by Club Log. Further information can be found at www.3w2j.com.

Look for 9H3OG and 9H3TX to be active from Gozo, Malta, which is IOTA reference EU-023, on 21 to 26 November. Their activity will include a Multi-Two entry in the CQ WW DX CW Contest as 9H3TX. QSL via DL4HG and DL5XAT respectively.

Prefix hunters should look out for the special Mongolian prefix of JU850 until 21 November. The regular JT prefixes can be replaced to celebrate the 850th birthday of Genghis Khan.

Now the contest news

The 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 20 November from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The big event of the month will be the busiest, the CQWW DX CW. It takes place for the full 48 hours of the weekend of the 24th and 25th and invariably keeps the CW portions of the HF bands really busy, especially any frequency where a DXpedition to a rarely activated country operates. Notwithstanding solar outbursts, conditions on the upper HF bands

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The final event is the UK Microwave Group's Low Band Contest, which takes place on Sunday 25th. Because of the limited hours of daylight at the end of November, please note that this session is two hours shorter

than the other three in the series. Running from 1000 to 1400UTC and using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 9th to the 15th of November compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 16th of November.

Several large and complex sunspot groups were visible during the period but only one produced any sizable solar flares. Solar activity was low on the 9th and the 10th and again on the 15th. On the remaining days activity increased to moderate levels and high on the 13th. The largest solar flare was a M6 that took place early on the 13th. Several coronal mass ejections took place but none were directed towards Earth. Solar flux levels increased from 115 units on the 9th to 146 by the 13th, levels then declined slightly to 141 by the 15th. The average was 135 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 15th was 119 units, that's two units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased from B3.1 units on the 9th to B5.9 on the 12th. The average was B4.6 units. Geomagnetic activity was very quiet until the 13th when an anticipated coronal hole disturbance arrived. The most disturbed day was the 14th, with an Ap index of 31 units. The average was Ap 9 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds increase from a slow 270 kilometres per second to 470 by the 14th. Particle densities were low but increased to 77 particles per cubic centimetre during the 12th. Bz varied between minus 1 and plus 5 nanoTeslas on the quietest day and between minus 19 and plus 20 nanoTeslas during the disturbance. Auroral contacts were made on 50MHz but were confined to high latitudes late on the 13th and again during the 14th. Daytime highs decreased by several MHz during the disturbance.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. At first the active side of the Sun will be looking our way but as the week progresses it will rotate out of view. Solar activity is expected to be low but there is a chance that activity could increase to moderate levels, especially during the first half of the week. Solar flux levels are expected to decline and be around the 120 mark by next weekend. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet every day, however, there is a slight chance that a solar flare related coronal mass ejection could head our way; if one does than activity would increase. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around or slightly exceed 30MHz during most days. Darkness hour lows should be around 9MHz. Paths this week to the east coast of North America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 29MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate should be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1400 and 1700 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week.

Wythall Radio Club is holding club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Monday the Advanced course continues, and on Tuesday there's a talk by James, M0YOM, on filtering in the shack. Friday sees the shack social, and the CQ Worldwide CW Contest takes up all of next weekend. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and Friday sees an HF club net on 3.748MHz. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday. On Tuesday it's the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest from the shack. Friday sees a formal meeting followed by the construction contest. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is running a club net on 145.375MHz from 8pm on Thursday. The Saturday surgery in the shack starts at 9am, followed by the 50kHz UK Activity Contest at 8pm. Next Sunday sees a talk by Nick Miers about wartime Bletchley Park, and he will be bringing an original Enigma machine. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society has a committee meeting on Monday. On Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL, and Friday sees shack and aerial work. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Central Radio Amateur Circle is running its Intermediate course via Skype on Tuesday, which also continues on Saturday. On Thursday there's a night on the air on 145.375MHz from 8pm. Details from Martin Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

South Notts Amateur Radio Club is on the air and having a natter night on Wednesday. Saturday sees the Advanced weekend continue. Contact Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is planning for 2013. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a construction evening and operating on HF. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is discussing technical topics. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is watching the Gerry Wells video. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

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On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is running its club net on 145.525MHz from 8pm. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on ARDF by G4KWQ. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having a radio workshop evening. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the Raspberry Pi computer by David Littlewood, G6DCT. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Monday Workington and District Radio and IT Group is having a talk on power supplies by Glyn M0XUH. For more information get in touch with Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092.

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is holding a surplus sale. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by Raymond, G1MSD on his life with radio. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a HF and 70cm night. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having a demonstration of SDR receivers by Cross Country Wireless. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a committee meeting. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on leap seconds by Ron, G3SVW. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693

999.

On Thursday Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a natter night and is on the air from the club shack. Details from Ken, G8FSO on 07900 563 117.

On Saturday Wakefield & District Radio Society continues its Intermediate course from 13:30 with Chris, M0KJP. Details from Bill, 2E0IPC on 07905 178 845.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

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NEWS FOR SCOTLAND Tonight and next Sunday West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having a club night with talks, quiz & a raffle. On Friday there's project work & learning. Details from Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

On Tuesday 20 November Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Friday 23 November Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on SOTA Activation by Dr Colwyn Jones. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Intermediate course today. On Tuesday there's a construction contest with Richard, G8ITB. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

Farnborough & District Radio Society has a CW net on Monday at 1pm on 3.570MHz, then a Top Band net on 1.995MHz at 8pm. On Wednesday the club is holding its AGM, and Friday sees the 2m net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order.

On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on metal detecting by Howard, G6LXK. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a talk on a practical approach to fractal antennas by Charles, G0SKA. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Monday East Kent Radio Society is having a visit by Chris Ridley and John Turner of Icom. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Monday Surrey Radio Contact Club is holding a natter and fix-it night. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is holding a 70cm net on GB3ER from 8.30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday Verulam Amateur Radio Club is having a club meeting followed by talk. Contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

On Wednesday Banbury Amateur Radio Society is having a demonstration of slow scan television. Contact John, G8OZH, on 07774 525 818.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having a technical talk on safe and effective vehicle installations by John, G8SYD. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Steve Appleyard, G3PND, on the Reverse Beacon Network and how to use it. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having a photo quiz with G4LRP. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

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On Thursday Edgware & District Radio Society is looking at amateur radio to suit your environment. More information from Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having lunch at Lloyds Bar, Port Solent, at 1.15pm. Contact Neil Hoare, M0NEH, on 02392 378 559.

On Thursday Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on baluns by Steve, G1KWF. Details from David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Contact Tim Ward, 2E0TJW, on 07810 481182.

On Thursday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on amateur radio at the North Pole by Michael Meerman, M0MPM. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz, organised by David, G8UOD. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on the history of broadcasting by Ron, G3KBR. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223

501 712.

On Friday Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding a members' forum. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society Radio is having an operating evening in the shack. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Radio Society of Harrow is having a talk on the vector network analyser by Brian, G3YKB. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Saturday Kent Weald Radio Club is holding its regular monthly meeting. Details from Patrick, G0UXG, via email to palybl@btinternet.com.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its HF net on 3.675MHz on Monday from 19:45. The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 19:45 and on Thursday it's the 4m net on 70.425MHz from 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Monday Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is holding a Bring and Buy sale. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is discussing wireless restoration topics. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

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On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having an activity night. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Poole Radio Society is having an activity night & Intermediate course session. Details from Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night with the TARS 80m net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Sunday Plymouth Radio Club is running the Plymouth Radio Rally. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 19 November Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 20 November Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is having an open night. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday 20 November Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a CW night with Pat. Contact Frank Bailey, M1EYH, via email to fcbailey20@btinternet.com.

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2306. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 13:43:47 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <mIqqs.232647$g62.51200@fx06.am4>
Source record: 1423
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 19/11/2012 13:00, Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk wrote:
> GB2RS NEWS

[snip]

I see the "MI3 saves multiple Jumbo jets from disaster" story got
pulled. Bwahaha..

2307. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 14:40:25 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <5hAG86JZTkqQFwPn@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 1424
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <mIqqs.232647$g62.51200@fx06.am4>, Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
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Was it actually on the Sunday morning broadcasts?
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Ian

2308. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 16:04:46 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <wMsqs.299308$nB6.33775@fx21.am4>
Source record: 1425
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 19/11/2012 14:40, Ian Jackson wrote:

>> I see the "MI3 saves multiple Jumbo jets from disaster" story got
>> pulled. Bwahaha..
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> Was it actually on the Sunday morning broadcasts?

It was supposed to be but a few Realops tried to get the story pulled
only to be told it wasn't possible. Whether it got read out on air I
don't know but it obviously got pulled from the printed edition.

2309. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 16:21:48 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <E2R5pKQcylqQFw54@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 1426
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <wMsqs.299308$nB6.33775@fx21.am4>, Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
writes
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is why, fairly recently, a certain long-term reader was obliged to give
up reading).
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Ian

2310. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 12 - 18 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 16:30:11 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121119163001.7F3E733C2F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1427
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Nov 19 0648 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
12 - 18 November 2012

Solar activity ranged from low to high. On 12 November, moderate
levels were observed due to a M2 X-ray flare from Region 1613 (S22,
L=210, class/area Dso/170 on 12 November) and associated Type II
radio sweep (645 km/s) at 12/2328 UTC. Solar activity increased to
high levels on 13 November due to a M6 X-ray flare, also from Region
1613, and associated Type II radio sweep (1193 km/s) at 13/0204 UTC.
This region also produced two M2 X-ray flares and an associated 10
cm burst of 220 sfu at 13/2052 UTC, but showed signs it was
decreasing in areal coverage. Region 1613 continued its M-class
flare activity into 14 November, producing a M1 X-ray flare, but
continued to slowly decrease in area. A return to low levels was
observed from 15 to 18 November. A C8 flare from Region 1618 (N08,
L=136, class/area Eai/90 on 18 November) occurred at 16/1539 UTC
with an associated Type II radio sweep (511 km/s) and a non-earth
directed coronal mass ejections (CME). A long duration C1 flare from
Region 1613 also occurred on 16 November with an associated 24
degree filament eruption centered near S39E22. Another filament
eruption was observed from the East limb, as seen in SDO/AIA 304
imagery, but analysis of SOHO/LASCO C2 suggested these eruptions
would not be geoeffective. While there were many new CMEs observed
over the 7 day period, none were determined to be earth-directed and
have had little to no observable impacts.

No greater than 10 MeV proton events were observed at geosynchronous
orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal background levels on 12 and 13 November, but reached moderate
levels on 14, 15, and 16 November. The week ended with high levels
for 17 and 18 November with the maximum value reaching 3160 pfu.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels.
The week started off at quiet to unsettled levels, but by late 12
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November to early 13 November, the effects from the two CMEs from 09 and 10 November were being felt. ACE data indicated a shock arrival at 12/2216 UTC and a sudden impulse was observed on earth at 12/2316 UTC (16 nT, as measured by the Boulder USGS magnetometer). The maximum southward component of Bz reached -19.5 nT at 12/2338 UTC, the total IMF reached 22.8 nT at 13/0053 UTC. The solar wind speed, as measured by the ACE spacecraft, reached a peak speed of 504 km/s at 13/0111 UTC. The geomagnetic field responded with unsettled to active levels throughout the day on 13 November, but increased to major storm levels early on 14 November. The increase in activity was caused by prolonged period of negative Bz attributed to a combination of lingering CME effects and a solar sector boundary crossing that occurred at approximately 14/0245 UTC, followed by a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Activity returned to quiet to unsettled levels for the remainder of the week (15 - 18 November).

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
19 November - 15 December 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low with a chance for M-class flares through 27 November when Region 1618 is due to rotate off the west limb. Very low to low conditions are expected from 28 November through 05 December. From 06 December to the end of the period, low conditions are expected with a chance for M-class activity with the return of Region 1613.

No greater than 10 MeV proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to remain at moderate to high levels through 24 November. Normal levels are expected to return from 25 November through 03 December. Moderate to high levels are expected from 04-06 December due to coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) activity. Normal levels are again expected to return from 07 December through 13 December. From 14 December to the end of the period, expect moderate to high levels to return with CH HSS activity once again.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet through 02 December. Unsettled levels are likely on 03 and 04 December due to a possible solar sector boundary crossing (SSBC) followed by a CH HSS. Mostly quiet levels return from 05 December through the end of the period, except for a chance for unsettled activity on 11 December due to a possible SSBC/CH HSS.

2311. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 16:34:05 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8dn9e$o5m$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1428
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:wMsqs.299308$nB6.33775@fx21.am4...
> On 19/11/2012 14:40, Ian Jackson wrote:
>
>>> I see the "MI3 saves multiple Jumbo jets from disaster" story got
>>> pulled. Bwahaha..
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>> Was it actually on the Sunday morning broadcasts?
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> to be told it wasn't possible. Whether it got read out on air I don't know
> but it obviously got pulled from the printed edition.
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why?...was it confabulation?....can you not ask Brian?.... he is an expert
on confabulation.......

2312. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 16:34:05 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8dnkcqai1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1429
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:wMsqs.299308$nB6.33775@fx21.am4...
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2313. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 19 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 17:07:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0444713faf2a7a04cedc253d@google.com>
Source record: 1430
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: California Dreamin' - The TWIT Tour, Leo Laporte Interview,
and more

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 07:45 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368830-HamRadioNow-California-Dreamin-The-TWIT-Tour-Leo-Laporte-Interview-and-more&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 32: California Dreamin' ☐

Stuff, California, TWiT, and Leo W6TWT

So much 'Stuff' this episode comes in two parts.

Part One: Jeff AC4ZO returns to HamRadioNow, but can't keep Gary KN4AQ on
track as he

rambles on about his trip to Atlanta where he saw the Coke Museum, Georgia
Aquarium,

CNN, and took a Segway tour. That's the "stuff". In California, we see
several iconic Silicone Valley

signs, which lead us to Xerox PARC and Stanford University for some history
of the

personal computer, and finally a tour of W6YX, the little radio club at
Stanford.

Part Two: We head north from Silicone Valley, up to the quaint town of
Petaluma, home of the

TWiT Studios and Ham Nation. Gary gets an extensive tour of (and below) the
studios and all

the technology that keeps it humming from Studio Manager John Slanina (aka
JammerB).

And finally, Gary's interview with Chief TWiT Leo Laporte W6TWT. Leo
reveals the real

reason he got a ham license, and what he plans to do with it.

Watch these episodes at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

to support these programs, visit

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and 'click the piggy bank'

2314. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 19 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 17:21:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae939969741cceb04cedc5a4d@google.com>
Source record: 1431
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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XR0YG Easter Island

Posted: 19 Nov 2012 06:45 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368942-XR0YG-Easter-Island&goto=newpost

G7VJR , G3TXF , MD0CCE , G3ZAY will be active from Easter Island 13-21 February 2013 as XR0YG

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...easter-island/

73 Al 4L5A

2315. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 18:24:28 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <tPuqs.338623$yH4.144995@fx03.am4>
Source record: 1432
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 19/11/2012 16:21, Ian Jackson wrote:

> My understanding is that the script has to be submitted to Ofcom on the
> previous Wednesday, for approval. [I don't know whether anything has
> ever been disapproved.] Thereafter, on the Sunday news bulletins, the
> approved script is supposed to be read verbatim from end to end (which
> is why, fairly recently, a certain long-term reader was obliged to give
> up reading).

I'll not go in to all the details Ian (to protect the gullible and the co-operative) the story was submitted and accepted, I personally begged to get the story pulled when some facts came to light (nothing to do with saving the RSGB's blushes I might add) only to be told it couldn't be done. Perhaps if what you say is correct it'll appear in next weeks news.

2316. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 18:26:14 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <7Ruqs.338624$yH4.11314@fx03.am4>
Source record: 1433
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 19/11/2012 16:34, Jim Stewart wrote:

> why?...was it confabulation?....

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> on confabulation.......

..and rubbish and just about anything else after all Brian knows
everything.. except CW.

2317. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 19:13:02 UTC
From: "The Witch pricker ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8e0c2$o3u$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1434
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:7Ruqs.338624$yH4.11314@fx03.am4...
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> everything.. except CW.
>
>
very true ...very true ......

2318. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 19:15:29 UTC
From: "The Witch pricker ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8e0gjovb1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1435
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"The Witch pricker ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
news:k8e0c2$o3u$1@dont-email.me...
>
> "Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
> news:7Ruqs.338624$yH4.11314@fx03.am4...
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>> everything.. except CW.
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> very true ...very true ......
>
it is a shame jonconman got jerked about as well ......not

2319. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 20:26:47 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8e4m8$l7b$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1436
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> A Russian taxi business from the Moscow area is using FM on 21.4042MHz
> daily. You can often hear a female voice organising the business.

shit you can hear that any day of the week up Glasgow green .....

https://maps.google.co.uk/maps?ll=55.853998,-4.237896&spn=0.000006,0.004801&t=m&z=18&layer=c&cbll=55.854079,-4.238048&panoid=Q3E0J-WeICNgSIzALC9Epw&cbp=12,207.83,,1,11.39

2320. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 20:44:17 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <k8e5n2$rv3$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1437
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:7Ruqs.338624$yH4.11314@fx03.am4...
> On 19/11/2012 16:34, Jim Stewart wrote:
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So, is he the front end of an ass?
No? What about the back end?
No? Then he must be no end of an ass.

2321. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 22:01:34 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <%_xqs.308219$Wc4.136151@fx10.am4>
Source record: 1438
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 19/11/2012 20:44, gareth wrote:

> So, is he the front end of an ass?
> No? What about the back end?
> No? Then he must be no end of an ass.

:-))

2322. eHam.net News for Monday 19 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-19 23:06:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614ef6730b9d04cee12bbb@google.com>
Source record: 1439
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Fort Wayne Hosts Largest Hamfest in Indiana:

Posted: 19 Nov 2012 01:32 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29358

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (WANE) - The Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne hosted the largest Hamfest and Computer Expo in Indiana on November 17 and 18. The event featured amateur radio equipment, vendors, emergency equipment, and more. Jim Boyer, the Hamfest chairman, said this year was the 40th anniversary for the event. "There are 300,000 amateur radio operators in the United States and about 10,000 or so in Indiana alone, so there is a lot of interest here," Boyer said.

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William Kleronomos, KD0HG (SK):

Posted: 19 Nov 2012 01:30 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29357

The funeral service for William Kleronomos is this Sunday, Nov. 18 in Longmont, Colo. The long-time chief engineer for Clear Channel's KBCO(FM), Boulder, Colo. died Tuesday at the age of 61. The cause was not reported. He had been the CE of KCBO since 1995. "While Bill was an integral part of the Denver engineering team there are many of us in this company that have also been touched by his willingness to help at any time. He was also very popular in the ham radio community, KD0HG," according to Mike Irby, director of engineering and IT for Clear Channel's Denver cluster. "I've worked with Bill for several years even before coming to Denver," Mike told Radio World. "He was instrumental in the early days of Clear Channel's HD rollout. KBCO was on the forefront of that and his findings helped many others in the company as they began installing their equipment. Bill loved radio and lived to help others anytime he could. There was never a time that I knew him to not be happy about life and what he was doing."

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Ham Radio Fan Saves U.S. Bacon:

Posted: 19 Nov 2012 01:29 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29356

HUNDREDS of lives may have been saved on the night Superstorm Sandy hit America : by an Irishman in his shed.

2323. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 19 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-20 03:26:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba25dc355787fd04cee4cdf4@google.com>
Source record: 1440
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham Radio Fan Saves US Bacon: - eHam.net

Posted: 19 Nov 2012 09:39 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGrvA__tkeSyYtttd8Bt6wm5d5v8A&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29356

Ham Radio Fan Saves US Bacon:
eHam.net
Amateur radio fan Benny Young, from Tyrone, was tuning in on his hut-based hobby when he heard a mayday call from a plane over the Atlantic. But the United Airlines captain, en route from Dublin to Boston, wasnt able to reach flight controllers in ...

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Derg man 'saves US flight' from Sandy - U.TV

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 08:39 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHSfSwRb7ZB_fZi8hXUOaPxLM3FCg&url=http://www.u.tv/News/Derg-man-saves-US-flight-from-Sandy/aabfa496-a76c-42b3-84ce-d45488b90ed6

U.TV
Derg man saves US flight from Sandy
U.TV
A Co Tyrone amateur radio enthusiast claims to have averted disaster and saved the lives of hundreds of people, after intercepting a mayday call from a Dublin to Boston flight. Derg man saves US flight from Sandy. Castlederg man Benny Young with his ...

and more

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27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 11:45 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJBi4mvzZmzcoxMX0EGmmp48ABWQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/27th_cars_foundation_course.htm

Southgate Amateur Radio Club
27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course. The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding their 27th Foundation training course

starting Thursday, January 10. The course, to be held at Danbury Village Hall, is six Thursday evenings ...

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American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed - The Laconia Daily Sun

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 04:58 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFCWW3zw_96v5vMz_su-MBG23mqjQ&url=http://www.laconiadailysun.com/index.php/newsx/community-announcements/63687-c-240-american-legion-amateur-radio-operaters-needed

American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed
The Laconia Daily Sun
With the loss of power, ham operators from The American Legion Amateur Radio Club(TALARC) sprang into action. The club is "a nationwide volunteer unit that can and does aid the local community, state and national emergency officials during civil or ...

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Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts - Beach Reporter

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 06:07 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG27r3_9bICOpgsZqnDMuyUnPTf_g&url=http://tbrnews.com/news/hermosa_beach/amateur-radio-association-serves-community-works-with-local-scouts/article_5efd6882-2947-11e2-86ce-0019bb2963f4.html

Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts
Beach Reporter
It is home to the citys Amateur Radio Association, which occupies the northeast corner of the EOC, alongside police and fire communication centers, while the center of the room serves for training police, fire and emergency volunteer workers. The ...

2324. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 18th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-20 10:00:46 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <exIqs.561864$vW7.458851@fx19.am4>
Source record: 1441
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 19/11/2012 16:21, Ian Jackson wrote:

[snip - Ofcom approval of GB2RS script]

The RSGB news at podbean (http://tinyurl.com/cgcpsyf) contains this:

"In the middle of Hurricane Sandy, a Northern Ireland amateur picked up a Mayday transmission from an aircraft bound from Dublin to Boston. Problems with the radio system on the ground in the USA prevented local controllers from hearing the aircraft. According to a BBC report, Benny Young, MI3JQD relayed messages from the United Airlines aircraft to an emergency net. The plane had to be diverted from Boston because of 95 mile per hour winds at the airport."

I guess it got semi pulled.. :-/ :-)

Love the way it calls him an amateur and not a rebadged CB twat who has malingered as an MI3 for a decade..

2325. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 20 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-20 11:35:34 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6150146193e004ceeba131@google.com>
Source record: 1442
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Summary Report of ITU-R WP5A Meeting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8lemCRZofKg/summary_report_of_itur_wp5a_meeting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

IARU Region 1 reports on the ITU-R WP5A Meeting November 5-15, 2012, the second of the WRC-15 work schedule

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Latest news on PLT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oQU4vIRsZ2A/latest_news_on_plt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This week's RSGB News carries a report on the Society's continuing battle against PLT pollution

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How to send @ or % in Morse Code

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZA6urKgNAx4/special_morse_code_characters.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Many of those proficient in Morse might be stumped when it comes to sending @ or %, fortunately the ITU-R recommendation on International Morse Code provides an answer

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Video of ARISS contact at JOTA event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Pt3mqarZapk/video_of_ariss_contact_at_jota_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Scouts visiting the National Scouting Museum in Irving, Texas on October 20 took part in the Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) event and spoke with Sunita Williams, KD5PLB on the ISS

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Digital ATV - DATV-Express

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Jox-xWPS0vg/datv_express.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Charles Brain G4GUO gives a quick tour of the DATV-Express
Digital Amateur Television development board designed for amateur radio use

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Radio Vibes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/G9aEGjBFAC4/radio_vibes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The New Straits Times reports on the friendship, goodwill and charity
flowing through amateur radio operations

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Live internet coverage of ARISS contacts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7SlH0TvnQo0/live_internet_coverage_of_ariss_contacts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

John Spasojevich, AG9D, who does the live internet audio distribution of
the ARISS contacts, provided this summary of the audio sources where you
may listen

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Afghanistan operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/e0_bVKSc-ww/afghanistan_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mike, KI4MRH, is now active as T6MH from Afghanistan, and expects to be
there until October 2013

2326. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 20 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-20 17:33:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93998b319696b04cef0a093@google.com>
Source record: 1443
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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MDSR V2.5 has now been released (multi plaform IF-SDR interface) RIG upgrade

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 08:10 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368916-MDSR-V2-5-has-now-been-released-(multi-plaform-IF-SDR-interface)-RIG-upgrade&goto=newpost

The new SDR upgrade software can be downloaded from the Yahoo user Group:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/mdsradio/

Please join the group to access all the information and instructiuons on
how to upgrade all different types of radios.

The new update builds on the multi platform system (FT-817,857,897,
IC-7000, IC703,706 and more) and provides IF SDR capabilities to these
transceivers. All that is required is the LIF2012 PCB and it connects the
radio via the IF down-converter to the sound card.

The new V2.5 has a new filter slope setting for the RX and TX filter which
allows to precisely tailor the LIF filter response for extreme audio
clarity. Adjustment instructions can be found in the pdf manual which is
accessible through the "Disk" icon on the MDSR-spectrum analyzer window -
click on "Manual MDSR-J Engine".

The MDSR software is free to use as long as it is for non commercial HAM
radio purposes.

Thanks a lot and have a great time with the new release;

The MDSR Team

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A Co Tyrone amateur radio enthusiast claims to have averted disaster.

Posted: 18 Nov 2012 06:37 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368895-A-Co-Tyrone-amateur-radio-enthusiast-claims-to-have-averted-disaster&goto=newpost

A Co Tyrone amateur radio enthusiast claims to have averted disaster during
the recent hurricane that hit NY,

though there seems to be some confusion as to the validity of the story,
any way here is the story from the

Ulster Telvision News Service. And if true, well done him. A confirmation from you chaps in the USA would be nice.

Regards

Damian

http://www.u.tv/News/Derg-man-saves-...e-d45488b90ed6

2327. [RAC-Bulletin] November News Items - 2012-11-20

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-20 18:49:45 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50ABD0A1.3010104@rac.ca>
Source record: 1444
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

November News Items. -2012-11-20
2012-11-20

B.C. Section News - Via Bill Foster, VE7WWW

The following appointments have been made to RAC Field Services in the BC/YU section.

Section Emergency Coordinator for BC: Fred Orsetti VE7IO
Official Observer Coordinator: Dennis Wight VE7IJJ
Section Affiliated Club Coordinator: Karla Wakefield VA7KJW

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IRLP/EchoLink Weather Net - Via James (Jim) Langille, VE1JBL

I just want to let you know about a fairly new net on Saturday nights called the Weather Radio Listeners Newsletter Net. It is hosted by Gordon Maybee, VA3WXA out of Toronto. It begins at 8pm Atlantic, 7pm Eastern on IRLP Reflector 9034 and if you have a computer, Echolink node 223557. It has information about Weather Radio and also CANWARN. It will also include weather warnings across Canada and power outages. We are trying to make this a Cross Canada Net to include all provinces and Territories.We are looking for station from Qu**bec to participate as we do not have any stations checking in from there yet.

We are looking for stations who are interested in weather to take part. If you have a weather station, you can report your findings at your QTH or if you have any local severe weather going on, you can report on that.

For more information about the net, go to The Maritime Amateur website http://www.maritimeamateur.ca/ and click on CANWARN. Once there, click on CANWARN news where you will find articles on this net. Here is the direct link: http://www.freewebs.com/ve1jbl/canwarnnews.htm

Any questions, please let me know. Thanks for reading, Hope to hear you on the net,
James (Jim) Langille VE1JBL

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Orlando HamCation Amateur** Radio and Computer Show - February 8, 9 and 10 2013 - via Peter Meijers, AI4KM

We ask for your attention for the 67th Orlando HamCation** Amateur Radio and Computer Show, February 8, 9 and 10 2013, at the Central

Florida Fairgrounds

If you need additional information, you can go to the website at
http://www.hamcation.com/ or call me at (407) 695-0551 or cellphone
(407) 739-2305.

Peter Meijers, AI4KM
Chairman Orlando HamCation® 2013

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu®bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2328. eHam.net News for Tuesday 20 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-20 23:12:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30434d42bcd04a04cef55e01@google.com>
Source record: 1445
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Antenna Masts in NSW -- Write to Your MP:

Posted: 20 Nov 2012 05:44 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29365

The battle over NSW planning restrictions on amateur radio antenna masts now has to enter a new phase - the political campaign. We want you to write a polite letter to your local member, to briefly explain our issue with planning restrictions and council red tape when you want to put up an antenna mast, and to ask them to find out why this matter is NOT being considered in the current Planning System Review. If you don't already know, or are unsure of the details of who to write to, here's how to find out. Guidelines on writing your letter, along with other information on the community benefits of amateur radio, can be downloaded from the links below.

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No-Nonsense Extra Class Study Guide:

Posted: 20 Nov 2012 05:41 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29363

The No-Nonsense series of amateur radio license study guides has become famous for helping people pass the tests. Written in a simple, easy-to-understand style, this study guide will help you upgrade to Amateur Extra Class. Here's an excerpt:

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Radio Vibes:

Posted: 20 Nov 2012 03:06 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29362

THE sudden afternoon downpour makes it gloomy in Bangi, Selangor. So much so that the atmosphere in an action-adventure hobby store tucked away in a block of unassuming shoplots takes on a mysterious air. Packed with gadgets and collectibles, this is where Rafidah Muhammed, 40, spends a big portion of her time. Here she runs hobby store RNJ Venture in Bangi, Selangor with her husband, former national weightlifter Ahmad Janius Abdullah. The venue is also headquarters for the Association of Two-Way Radio Communications Fans of Selangor (Persatuan Peminat Komunikasi Radio Dua-Hala Selangor, or better known as Pradas), a society which provides amateur radio fans a platform where they can learn about and train in constructing,

experimenting and communicating using two-way radio equipment legally. Rafidah is one of the few female committee members in the association. Apart from being the treasurer, she is also an Amateur Radio operator -- also called ham radio operator -- having earned a Class B licence from the Malaysian Communications And Multimedia Commission (MCMC) in 2008 that enables her to operate radio equipment from a home, a vehicle and anywhere in the country.

2329. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND ALL ADULT PEOPLE 2011 SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-21 01:33:03 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <621fafda-2cc9-4733-803e-2cfee7778080@kt16g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1446

A TO Z INFORMATION SEE IN THIS SITE

http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

2330. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 20 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-21 03:38:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340e255b2d4b04cef9150b@google.com>
Source record: 1447
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Emergency Operating Center activated; ham radio volunteers help - Daily
Astorian

Posted: 20 Nov 2012 10:38 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHFGxcWURe8YLVHzzWrAfQYgjEupA&url=http://www.dailyastorian.com/news/local/emergency-operating-center-activated-ham-radio-volunteers-help/article_4c994c4e-3340-11e2-be28-0019bb2963f4.html

Emergency Operating Center activated; ham radio volunteers help
Daily Astorian
As the afternoon wore on, Hillgaertner and Van Winkle continued to log data collected from other volunteer ham radio operators in the area. Both are part of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. Their counterparts have weather stations at their places ...

and more

2331. The ARRL Contest Update for November 21, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-21 07:31:47 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121121042704.6845A2625C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1448
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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November 21, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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- ARRL June VHF and Aug UHF Online Writeups
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- Electronic Component Reference Collection
- Gain Damaged

NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

The biggest CW DX contest of the year - CQ WW CW - is here! You can work a lot of DX with just a modest station on CW and the bands will be full. Know your CQ zone <http://cqww.com/resources.htm> and have at it! The following weekend is a day-night doubleheader of the 10 Meter RTTY Contest in sunlight and the ARRL 160 Meter Contest - another CW festival - in the dark hours. I hope you have a full coffee pot!

BULLETINS

A weekend fire at the V26B station destroyed the shack and caused the host, Roy V21N to suffer some smoke inhalation from which he recovered overnight - best wishes, Roy! Thus, V26B will not be active this weekend but operator Bud AA3B plans on lashing a station together and operating with an alternate V26 call sign. Elsewhere, impassable roads have resulted in the cancellation of the planned V47NT activity in CQ WW CW by Andy N2NT. Hurricane Sandy also did major damage to the QTH of CO8LY <http://www.deltadx.net/CO8LY/CO8LY.htm>, destroying his ham shack and home.

BUSTED QSOS

A golden issue last time - perhaps that will translate to a low error rate for you editor in his contest adventures!

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Nov 24-25

- CQ World Wide CW Contest
- SKCC Straight Key Sprint
- Top Band Sprint

Dec 1-2

- ARRL 160 Meter Contest--CW (Nov 30)
- TARA RTTY M�l�e
- Top Operators Activity Contest--CW
- AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW
- 10 Meter RTTY Contest
- SARL Digital Contest
- ARS Spartan Sprint--CW (Dec 4)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

We've just gotten used to the idea of Low Power categories for Unlimited and Multioperator entries in ARRL HF contests - how about for VHF+ contests? Yes, two new categories have been added there, too, beginning with the ARRL January VHF Contest <http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf>. First is the 3-Band category in which participants are limited to 100 W or less on 6 and 2 meters, and 50 W or less on 70 cm. This category is just right for those sporting an "all-band, all-mode" rig! To encourage new hams to give VHF+ contests a try without having to buy new equipment, the FM Only category allows operation with 100 W or less on the 6 meter, 2 meter, 1-1/4 meter, and 70 cm bands. Experienced VHF+ contesters will want to include FM capability to work these new stations. Remember to upgrade your logging software and operating aids to add these new categories well in advance of the January contest date.

Along with the FM-Only category, the ARRL Rookie Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup> offers yet another path to contest enjoyment on HF. The December 16th edition is the contest's CW event and is a great six hours of fun, encouraging the new hams to give their new-found Morse methods a try. If your club has been active in the other fall contests, here's an opportunity to keep the ball rolling by encouraging members to operate. Don't forget that individual operators can form teams! It will keep them in shape for the January North American QSO Parties <http://ncjweb.com/naqprules.php>, too.

A new release of the Super Check Partial database files is now available <http://www.supercheckpartial.com/> with 44,295 calls in the MASTER.DTA file and 11,939 calls in the MASTERTTY.DTA file. You still have to copy what they send on the air, though! Make sure your CTY file of prefixes <http://www.country-files.com/cty/> is also up to date well in advance of contests, big and small. (Thanks, Bob WA1Z)

The FCC has just released a new NPRM
<http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-12-140A1.pdf>
that solicits comment regarding the creation of the new amateur band at
135.7-137.8 kHz and proposes to upgrade the amateur allocation from
1900-2000 kHz to primary status. There is quite a bit of other material
addressing allocation through microwave. Watch for more detail on the
ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/> over the next week or so. In the
meantime, changes to Part 97.301 and 97.303 are on pages 108 and 109 of
the referenced NPRM document.

Don NR7X wrote a good article in Electronic Design
<http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/amateurradio-emergency-services-disasters-74616?NL=ED-03&Issue=ED-03_20121107_ED-03_282&YM_RID=kd2kw@yahoo.com&YM_MID=1350625&sfvc4enews=42>
about Amateur Radio in disasters. While the general thrust of the
article is to educate non-ham readers, he raises a particularly
important point for hams, "One can't just get a license, wait for a
disaster, and show up," reminding us all of the need for training and
practice. Contests are good operating training but you still need to
know about emergency procedures and practices in your area. He also
notes that as an incentive for training and practicing "You will learn
useful stuff." (Thanks, Mike KA5CVH)

The following books on early wireless technology are recommended by
Dave W6NL:

- Hugh G. J. Aitken, "Syntony and Spark: The Origins of Radio," J.
Wiley & Sons, 1976 and "The Continuous Wave: Technology and American
Radio, 1900-1932," Princeton Univ. Press, 1985.
- George C. Southworth, "Forty Years of Radio Research," Gordon &
Breach, 1962. It's about the AT&T experiments with short wave radio in
the late 1920's that used a ham station and a ship to plot skip zones.
- Gerald F. J. Tyne, "Saga of the Vacuum Tube," Howard W. Sams & Co.,
1977.

If the worldwide spotting networks are flooding your band map to a
distracting degree, here is a tutorial <http://www.sdxa.org/?p=308> by
Wayne WA1PMA on using VE7CC's CC User <http://www.ve7cc.net/> spotting
network management software. More than just filters, the software is a
tool set for making the spotting network give you the information you
need. (Thanks, John K3TN)

Ian G3NRW <g3nrw-radio@ntlworld.com> has updated his 160m Band
Utilization Chart
<http://homepage.ntlworld.com/wadei/160m_band_utilization.htm>. It now
shows the JT9 dial frequency at 1.8395 MHz. Send Ian any updates or
additional details you might have. He also publishes a 30m Band
Utilization Chart
<http://homepage.ntlworld.com/wadei/30m_band_utilization.htm>, a UK 60m
Band Utilization Chart
<http://homepage.ntlworld.com/wadei/UK_60m_band_utilization.htm>, and
sponsors the Top Band Digital Group
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TBD160> (TBD160).

With new licensees lining up for tickets, Fred K3ZO reports that the Thai telecomm authority (NBTC) has not changed the regulations which require an 8 wpm Morse test in order to upgrade to HF status. Building on May's successful exam session, 32 new hams were recently licensed and most of them should appear on the HF bands soon. Assuming they are just getting started, be gentle with them if they show up during CQ WW CW!

What international events happened when the cook dropped the Thanksgiving dinner? Why, the downfall of TA, the destruction of BY, the ruination of SV, and the ascendance of HA! A tip of the Contest Update cap to our friends around the world on the occasion of the American Thanksgiving holiday.

Web Site of the Week - WorldRadio Online <http://www.worldradiomagazine.com/old_wro/articles/bio/luetzelschwab/luetzelschwab.html> propagation columnist, Carl K9LA has some great propagation resources <http://myplace.frontier.com/~k9la/index.html> on his web site including downloadable PDF copies of both NM7M propagation books and a slide presentation showing an update on Cycle 24. Carl is also busy working on the ARRL Handbook's <http://www.arrl.org/shop/ARRL-Handbook-2013-Hardcover-Edition/> chapter on Propagation and is the author of the annual IARU HF Championship <http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship> results. More propagation resources have been published by Steve G0KYA, including a downloadable PDF eBook "Understanding LF and HF Propagation <http://g0kya.blogspot.com/2010/11/understanding-lf-and-hf-propagation.html.>". You can also get regular propagation bulletins <http://arrl.org/w1aw-bulletins-archive-propagation> as part of your ARRL membership.

WORD TO THE WISE

A question this time - there is a specific slang term for the parts left over after a piece of equipment has been reassembled but runs fine without them. Does anyone know that term (no fair just making one up and naughty ones are not appreciated) and have any documentation of it?

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

The latest online webinar is a presentation by tower and antenna mavens John W2GD and Don K4ZA, "...outlining things we've learned from almost 100 years of combined experience, focusing on safety, cost-savings, and problem-solving." The date is Wednesday, December 12, at 9 PM EST (Thursday, Dec 13th at 0200 UTC) and registration <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/761813138> is free, courtesy of the World Wide Radiosport Operator's Foundation <http://wwrof.org/> (WWROF). (Thanks, Ken K4ZW)

And you wondered why they were called paddles <http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=mPW4NWQYVic>? (Thanks, Kirk K4RO)

I think all the little pistols out there can identify with this song <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uNWZjzrzgwA&feature=plcp> by NT8K. (Thanks, Tim K3LR)

Finally, those of you who frittered away hours and hours in the pre-Dungeons and Dragons era by programming the Game of Life <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Conway's_Game_of_Life> and experimenting with different starting patterns (this is somewhat autobiographical) will enjoy and marvel at the new floating-point implementation of the called Smoothlife <http://boingboing.net/2012/10/11/game-of-life-with-floating-poi.html>.

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Lots of activity at the ARRL Contest Branch Bar and Grill - manager Sean KX9X reports that online, expanded writeups for the June VHF and August UHF Contest have been posted <http://www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles>. In addition certificates for the 2011 160 Meter, 2011 10 Meter, and 2012 RTTY Roundup contests are either shipped or about to be shipped. Keep an eye on award status for ARRL contests online <http://www.arrl.org/plaques-and-certificates>! Meanwhile, over at the Log Submission Corral, the numbers just keep rising: even with hurricane Sandy's depredations, 1259 CW Sweepstakes logs were received before the deadline and 960 Phone Sweepstakes logs have been received thus far.

CQ World Wide Contest Manager, Randy K5ZD reports, "The raw scores for CQWW SSB 2012 have been updated <http://www.cqww.com/claimed.htm?mode=ph> to correct a multiplier scoring problem with some Zone 2 stations. Thanks to KF2O and W2JU for making inquiries that resulted in helping us find the score calculation error. We currently have 7999 logs received."

OPERATING TIP

The joy of socks? Siggi TF3CW suggests wearing knee-high compression socks <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Compression_stockings> to reduce leg swelling from sitting for long periods of time in a contest. (and maybe in a plane, too) These thin socks improve leg circulation. Don't forget Alan K6SRZ's suggestion of taking a low-dose aspirin to reduce the probability of blood clots, as well. I confess to wearing some extra-special pairs of hand-knit socks for contests - thanks, Mom!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Frank W3LPL checked in with some solid engineering advice for antenna systems. "In the real world, receiving (or transmitting) problems are often caused by faults rather than by inadequate design. The most common problems are connectors and deteriorated coaxial cable caused by poor installation practices and moisture entry. Faults are best found through regular inspections, rather than (as many of us do) waiting for the fault to become so severe that it's obvious. A resistance measurement of your transmission line performed inside your shack takes

only a few seconds and will reveal many of the most common faults. A VSWR sweep with an MFJ-259 or your favorite instrument is also very useful. VNA (vector network analyzer) and TDR (time-domain reflectometer) measurements are also very helpful if you have that capability (you should!). Keep records of your measurements so that changes will be apparent. Any change is cause for an investigation."

Many of us use surplus ½-inch CATV hardline for long cables to antenna farms. Stan K5GO describes his method of attaching a PL-259 to the line - "I use about six inches of .625" OD (5/8") x .058"-wall tubing slit about 2.5 inches and four times on either end to fit over the back of the PL-259 and outer jacket of hardline and used some hose clamps. (It) takes about ten minutes start to finish and cost is minimal. A little Penetrox, some Scotch 88, a soldered center conductor and I've not had a problem in eight years." (Thanks, Stan K5GO)

If you need an audio mixer in the shack or elsewhere, Don W3FPR recommends the inexpensive Behringer or Xenyx 802 model. "It is a small pro-type mixer, but you can mix up to 2 stereo channels, plus 2 mono channels plus one "tape.CD" input - each with individual level controls. The output is headphone level. It (also has) faders and a three-band equalizer for each channel." Terry WA0ITP also found a website with several good mixer designs <http://sound.westhost.com/articles/audio-mixing.htm> if you like rolling your own.

Use caution when using a compressed-air antenna launcher made of PVC. Grant KZ1W warns that, "...minor damage can escalate into ruptures and high-energy flying slivers and fragments...Handling damage can be concealed, cold is bad since the plastic gets brittle, and heat is bad because the pressure rating is significantly reduced. Making [the gun] from Schedule 80 PVC pipe is probably safer, since the pressure ratings are much higher (and) the fittings much stronger. Good solvent gluing is extremely important as a 4" PVC cap on a pressure tank at 80psi has about 1000 lbs of force on it."

In researching some old magazine articles, I stumbled on a home do-it-yourself project you just don't see much these days. The October 1924 QST article by 7AGI (before the days of prefixes) is titled "A 100-Foot Wooden Tower" and not much besides a saw and common hand tools was required. It was designed to hold wire antennas, not beams, and no word is given on whether it was climbable or not. The method of erection? A 40-foot gin pole!

Here are some more modern do-it-yourself projects:

- Sparkfun LogicBlocks
<http://www.edn.com/electronics-products/other/4401043/SparkFun-s-LogicBlocks-kit-teaches-digital-logic-?cid=EDNToday>
kit for the young experimenter in the family

And from the Instructables website:

- An Internet connected control knob
<http://www.instructables.com/id/ControlBox-An-internet-connected-knob-to-control/>

- Removable tablet and phone car mounts
<http://www.instructables.com/id/Tablet-iPad-removable-car-mount-for-1-in-5-minu/>

- A USB flash "diskette"
<http://www.instructables.com/id/USB-Flash-Diskette/>

Recognizing that switch-mode power supplies can cause a lot of RFI,
this EDN magazine article
<http://www.edn.com/design/power-management/4400304/Low-Noise-switching-power-supply-is-id
eal-for-AM-and-FM-bands-in-automotive-radio-systems?page=1>
describes a power supply intended for use in mobile radio receivers.

Trying to protect delicate receiver front ends from the marauding
signals of a legal-limit RF amplifier a fraction of a wavelength away
can be a challenge. This front-end saver design
<http://www.ok1rr.com/index.php/technical-topics/39-yet-another-front-end-saver>
shows how OK1RR solves the problem. (Thanks, Jose EA7BJ)

Where do you go to look up information about components and other bits
of electronics, especially when you're not near your workbench library?
The Radio-Electronics
<http://www.radio-electronics.com/info/data/index.php> website answers
a lot of those needs with this online collection of reference tables
and compilations.

Technical Web Site of the Week - Stu K6TU has released an online
propagation mapping and prediction tool <http://k6tu.net/> you just
won't be able to stop using! It uses the VOACAP prediction engine on a
speedy server to generate hour-by-hour frequency coverage maps based on
your specified geomagnetic conditions, the date, and your station
characteristics. The web-based user interface is well-done and the
results are fascinating!

==> CONVERSATION

Gain Damaged

Fans of Pink Floyd may remember the song "Brain Damage
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brain_Damage_(song)>" about band leader
Syd Barrett's descent into insanity. Sometimes Sunday afternoon of a
48-hour contest can feel a little like that - albeit thankfully
temporary and quite reversible. At any rate, if you hit The Wall
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Wall> and the interference starts to
Meddle <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Meddle> with you...here are some
new words you may find useful, courtesy Dr Beldar.

The QRM is multi-path.
The QRM is multi-path.
It takes chordal hops and scatters back and laughs
Got to work the echoes off the back.

The QRM is in the calls.
The QRM is in the calls.
The band map shows a list of needed mults galore
And every hour the spotting net brings more.

And if the sunspots peak many years too soon
And if there is no tower on the hill
And if the band explodes with signals like a zoo
I'll work you off the dark side of the moon.

The QRM is in my head
The QRM is in my head
You raise the gain, the filters change
Attenuate them till they're tame.

The mike is stuck
I've thrown away the key
There's someone in my log but it's not me.

And if the thunderstorms clamor in your ear
You call and no one seems to hear.
And if the mode you're on hears signals you can't tune
I'll work you off the dark side of the moon.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

21 November through 5 December 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

CQ World Wide CW Contest--CW, from Nov 24 0000Z to Nov 26 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and CQ zone. Logs due: Dec 21. Website: cq-amateur-radio.com <http://cq-amateur-radio.com>

SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW, from Nov 28 0000Z to Nov 28 0200Z. Monthly on the fourth Wednesday UTC. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Website: www.skccgroup.com <http://www.skccgroup.com>

Top Band Sprint--Phone,CW, from Nov 29 0000Z to Nov 29 0600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, ARCI number or Power. Logs due: 14 days. Website: www.qrparci.org/contests <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

ARRL 160 Meter Contest--CW, from Nov 30 2200Z to Dec 2 1600Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RST and ARRL/RAC section if US/VE. Logs due: Jan 1. Website: www.arrl.org/contests <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

TARA RTTY M�l�e--Digital, from Dec 1 0000Z to Dec 3 2400Z. Bands (MHz):
1.8-28. Exchange: RST and State/Province or serial. Logs due: Jan 1.
Website: www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_melee_rules.html
<http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_melee_rules.html>

Top Operators Activity Contest--CW, from Dec 1 1600Z to Dec 2 1559Z.
Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, serial, and TOPS/PRO number. Logs
due: Dec 31. Website: www.procwclub.yo6ex.ro
<http://www.procwclub.yo6ex.ro>

AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW, from Dec 1 2300Z to Dec 2 2300Z.
Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5,7. Exchange: RST, Xmtr
type, power, name. Logs due: 30 days. Website: www.antiquewireless.org
<http://www.antiquewireless.org>

10 Meter RTTY Contest--Digital, from Dec 2 0000Z to Dec 2 2359Z. Bands
(MHz): 28. Exchange: RST and state or province or serial. Logs due: Dec
15. Website: www.rttycontesting.com <http://www.rttycontesting.com>

SARL Digital Contest--Digital, from Dec 2 1300Z to Dec 2 1600Z. Bands
(MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 7 days. Website:
www.sarl.org.za <http://www.sarl.org.za>

ARS Spartan Sprint--CW, from Dec 4 0200Z to Dec 4 0400Z. Monthly on the
first Monday evening local time. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST,
S/P/C, and power. Logs due: 2 days. Website: www.arsqrp.blogspot.com
<http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com>

VHF+ CONTESTS

SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW, from Nov 28 0000Z to Nov 28 0200Z.
Monthly on the fourth Wednesday UTC. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange:
RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Website:
www.skccgroup.com <http://www.skccgroup.com>

==> LOG DUE DATES

21 November through 5 December 2012

- November 21 - Illinois QSO Party
<http://www.w9awe.org/ILQP%202012%20Rules.pdf>
- November 21 - RSGB 80m Club Sprint, SSB
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rsprint.shtml>
- November 22 - JARTS WW RTTY Contest
<http://jarts.web.fc2.com/2011/rules2012.html>
- November 24 - Feld Hell Sprint
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprint-rules>
- November 25 - High Speed Club CW Contest
<http://www.highspeedclub.org/>
- November 25 - SARL Field Day Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- November 25 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
<http://fpqrp.org/pigrun/>
- November 25 - EANET Sprint

<http://www.fediea.org/news/?news=20120809&lang=en>
- November 26 - 10-10 Int. Fall Contest, Digital
<http://www.ten-ten.org/Forms/QSO%20Party%20Rules.pdf>
- November 26 - WAE DX Contest, RTTY
<http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/en/rules/>
- November 30 - W/VE Islands QSO Party
<http://www.usislands.org/contest_rules.html>
- November 30 - SYLRA Contest
<http://www.sral.fi/kilpailut/saannot/sylra_2012.pdf>
- December 1 - CQ-WE Contest <http://cqwe.cboh.org/rules.html>
- December 1 - OK/OM DX Contest, CW
<http://okomdx.crk.cz/index.php?page=english>
- December 1 - YO International PSK31 Contest
<http://www.yo5crq.ro/Rules2012EN.htm>
- December 3 - RSGB 2nd 1.8 MHz Contest, CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2012/r2nd-160m-2012.shtml>
- December 3 - EPC PSK63 QSO Party
<http://eu.srars.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=66&Itemid=141>
- December 4 - Ukrainian DX Contest
<http://urdxc.org/rules.php?english>
- December 4 - ARRL Sweepstakes Contest, SSB
<http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes>
- December 4 - NA Collegiate ARC Championship, SSB
<http://www.collegiatechampionship.org/rules/>

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==> SUPERSTORM SANDY HOTWASH

ARRL HQ coverage of massive storm Sandy and responses can be found here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/as-hurricane-sandy-wreaks-havoc-on-east-coast-hams-heed-call-to-
help>.
Amateur Radio operators who wanted to assist those Sections affected by
Hurricane Sandy were advised not to self-deploy to those areas. "There
are many ARRL Sections involved in the impact area, and each has
different requirements on how they locate, credential and deploy
volunteers," explained ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager Mike Corey,
KI1U. "If a need for manpower is identified that cannot be met locally
or in the Section, Section leadership may contact other Sections for
assistance. If the need is still not met, Section leadership may then
contact ARRL HQ for assistance." ARRL HQ also sent Ham Aid radios and
equipment in response to requests, and Corey was active on major
disaster response nets from Connecticut. The following are summary
after-action reports received by your editor, by state or section. Many
sections that were active during the storm are not represented here, as
their leadership are still gathering reports from their operators for
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compilation and forwarding to ARRL. Further reports are welcomed by your editor at k1ce@arrl.org and will be considered for future issues accordingly. The reporters represented below are to be commended for their efforts to include what went right and what went wrong, lessons learned and lessons applied from past events. And, of course, the field operators that worked so hard while in harm's way for the safety and security of citizens and property deserve the most credit and the thanks of a grateful Amateur Radio community and public at large. - K1CE

Eastern and Western Massachusetts

Eastern Massachusetts ARES was put on standby on Friday evening, October 26, 2012 to obtain availability of Amateur Radio operators for deployment at EOCs and shelters, reported Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Eastern Massachusetts Section Emergency Coordinator (SEC). Western Massachusetts ARES was placed on standby on Saturday evening.

Eastern Massachusetts ARES activated its Amateur Radio command centers at the Town of Acushnet Emergency Management Agency and at the Clay Center Observatory co-located at the Dexter-Southfield School in Brookline, Massachusetts to assure the section would stay connected if widespread 2 meter repeater outages occurred. The City of Boston EOC requested Amateur Radio support, as did the Red Cross for several regional shelters within Eastern Massachusetts. Cape Cod ARES supported several regional shelters on the cape, and had radio amateurs at several area hospitals. Operators ran net control for their district net out of the Red Cross Chapter office in Hyannis under the call sign K1PBO.

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Region Two Office in Bridgewater was also active as WC1MAB through the efforts of Region Two RACES Radio Officer Mike "Sparky" Leger, N1YLQ, and John Miller, N1UMJ. Finally, operators at the National Weather Service office (Taunton) Amateur Radio SKYWARN station, WX1BOX, were active. Macedo and Eastern Massachusetts ARES Assistant SEC Carl Aveni, N1FY, staffed and operated WX1BOX.

In Western Massachusetts, SEC John Ruggerio, N2YHK, reported that several Red Cross shelters were opened in his section. One shelter in Northampton was staffed with an Amateur Radio operator, but for the other shelters, hams were not requested. The Worcester Emergency Communications Team (WECT) ran a resource net and supported Amateur Radio SKYWARN operations with reports of damage across Worcester County.

During Hurricane Sandy, the WX1BOX team handled several hundred reports of wind damage (including roof structural damage reports in some areas as well as many trees and wires down), wind measurements, rainfall measurements, storm surge and urban flooding reports from heavy rainfall.

Reports came through over a dozen local area VHF/UHF repeaters with liaisons as well as through the use of the New England Echolink/IRLP Reflector system IRLP 9123/Echolink conference *NEW_ENG* node: 9123, which was combined and linked into the VoIP Hurricane Net IRLP 9219/Echolink conference *WX_TALK* Node: 7203 system. This created one large hurricane net covering from the Delmarva region into New Jersey, New York and New England. The Amateur Radio station at the National Hurricane Center in Miami, WX4NHC, was also linked into this network. The damage reports and meteorological information was shared with other agencies such as the Red Cross, local and state emergency management and the media to provide situational awareness and disaster intelligence during Sandy's impact on the region. This has become a very critical role for Amateur Radio in the region and is viewed as equally important to providing communications when all else fails.

At the height of the storm, numerous wind gusts exceeding hurricane force (74 MPH) were recorded across southeastern New England with wind gusts as high as 70 MPH recorded across interior locations of southern New England. Two critical reports from Westerly, Rhode Island, of sustained winds of 64 MPH with a wind gust to 86 MPH as well as a wind gust reported by Cape Cod ARES District Emergency Coordinator (DEC) Frank O'Laughlin, WQ1O, of 76 MPH in the Marstons Mills section of Barnstable, Massachusetts were received by WX1BOX and relayed to WX4NHC and appeared in the 5 PM Monday, October 29, National Hurricane Center Advisory.

Power outages numbered 386,000 in Massachusetts, 122,000 in Rhode Island and 630,000 in Connecticut. This meant over 1.1 million people were without power in southern New England at the height of Sandy's impact. Despite that many people without power, southern New England was luckier than New York City/Long Island and New Jersey where power outages lasted longer and affected over 3 million people. "I never thought I would say with close to 400,000 people without power in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts that we would say we were lucky but that is definitely the case in comparison to the other areas," Macedo said.

Surge flooding was heaviest in southern New England. Beach erosion with sand as deep as 4 feet covered beach roads with homes damaged and even knocked off their foundations by the storm surge in Charlestown, Rhode Island. The south coastal areas were restricted to residents only and required a pass to get into those locations. However, Amateur Radio operators embedded with local town Emergency Management and Public Safety teams facilitated reports on the damage from storm surge and pictures after the situation passed for the NWS Taunton SKYWARN program.

Lessons Learned

What Worked: There was significant reporting of conditions across the region from Amateur Radio operators including those embedded with Emergency Management and other agencies as well as APRS/CWOP weather stations. On-air operations were professional and efficient. There was seamless transfer of information from the local to regional to national

level as seen in reports from southern New England making it into NHC advisories by contact with the National Hurricane Center via the VoIP Hurricane Net and the Hurricane Watch Net. There was strong contact with the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) Region 2 Office and Emergency Management agencies that were on the air at various local cities and towns. There was good PR generated with various local TV and newspaper outlets mentioning Amateur Radio efforts in their publications and on-air programs. A tremendous amount of pictures and videos that were generated by many Amateur Radio operators and SKYWARN spotters will allow for a historical guide for what Hurricane Sandy's impacts were in the region.

What Needs Improvement: Several agencies waited until the last minute to request Amateur Radio operators unlike during Hurricane Irene when these agencies made requests upfront. This may have been due to the lack of Hurricane Warnings issued up the coastline. This could potentially be addressed via tabletop exercises with various agencies. The number of Amateur Radio operators needed to create depth to do multiple shifts for a situation that is over a 24-hour period remains an issue. This will be addressed through more aggressive training programs, district ARES meetings and drills. And finally, getting SKYWARN Spotters embedded with Emergency Management to see storm surge areas if safe to do so for near real-time reporting is a goal. This is an issue that will also be coordinated with the National Weather Service in Taunton. - Rob Macedo, KD1CY, Eastern Massachusetts SEC

Eastern Massachusetts Section Manager Phil Temples, K9HI, said that "Macedo and his ARES staff did a stellar job in the planning stages. They held numerous teleconferences in the days leading up to our near-brush with disaster. Our section's seamless integration of ARES and SKYWARN gave the players an excellent window into what lay ahead. And, of course, NWS benefited greatly from our real-time weather criteria reporting via VHF/UHF repeaters tied into the IRLP/EchoLink/VoIP network."

North Carolina

Newport SKYWARN was activated on Saturday, October 27, after a conference call briefing conducted by Richard Bandy, Meteorologist in Charge of the Newport NWS office, with check-ins from numerous areas. ARES operators participating in the net monitored their local repeaters, reporting flooding and damage reports. Reports came in from Down East Carteret County of storm surges more than 2 feet above high tide. Highway 70 was flooded. Bulkheads were breached and wind gusts went up to 50 mph. Rob Shonk, N4JKL, reported that his yard in Buxton was flooded with 4-5 feet of water. Shonk also witnessed a house sliding into the sea and two nearby houses leaning on each other in Rodanthe. -- Janice Hopkins, KJ4JPE, ARRL PIO, Newport, North Carolina SKYWARN Net Control

Connecticut

Connecticut SM Betsey Doane, K1EIC, and SEC Wayne Gronlund, N1CLV, reported that 80 stations checked into the SM/SEC planning net held on Sunday night, October 28, before the arrival of major storm effects there. Doane and Gronlund briefed the group, and recruited volunteers to fill gaps in operations where needed. Doane also took calls from served agencies to fill their requests. All requests were met and problems were solved quickly by the ARES leadership pair and the entire section ARES team.

SEC Gronlund worked from the Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) Region 4 Headquarters. The SEC's leadership nets met every two hours on the KB1AEV linked repeater system. Some members of these nets were operating from their respective DEMHS Region Headquarters stations. All participated, giving reports of current conditions in their respective regions.

SKYWARN was busy, with Assistant DEC for SKYWARN Jim McBride, KD1LD, keeping the nets updated on conditions. SKYWARN ECs coordinated activity in their respective counties, performing very well as trained. Well known SKYWARN operator Roger Jeanfaivre, K1PAI, coordinated 10 weather nets for Hartford County.

Craig Lang, W1MHZ, ran a net while camped out at his neighbor's home, as he had to be evacuated. Assistant SEC Art Fregeau, AF1HS, posted alerts on the CTARES <http://www.ctares.org/> Web site, while others kept the ARES Discussion email reflector operational. In general, repeaters went down, but backup repeaters and power quickly restored communications.

Operators were deployed by the Greenwich American Red Cross office. In Stamford, operators were recently CERT trained and were under the umbrella of the City of Stamford as they provided backup communications for the city. Led by EC Jon Perelstein, WB2RYV, operators were deployed to the shelters as needed, and provided valuable support to the Stamford Office of Emergency Management, manning phones; they had over 700 evacuees. The town of Darien had one operator deployed for the Red Cross. In Norwalk, the shelter was staffed around the clock by ARES, with one operator also being an evacuee. In Wilton, one operator was on site at the EOC. Greater Bridgeport Amateur Radio Club operators were at their EOC -- their area had over 800 evacuees in three evacuation centers.

Many other shelters throughout the Section were supported by Amateur Radio operators, some of whom are also CERT trained. EC Perelstein reported that eight volunteers and two Red Cross disaster leaders, most of whom are members of the Stamford Amateur Radio Association, supported the three Stamford shelters, manned the City's Citizen Service Line, and provided backup communications for Red Cross between the shelters, the EOC, and the Darien Red Cross chapter house. Those manning the shelters did everything from intake to cooking to support for the elderly and infirm. Those who manned the Citizen Service Line were the City's direct communication to residents as they called for advice on evacuation. Doane said that ARES operators also became

involved as "expediters" in dealing with various problems such as untangling a (non-radio) communications issue that was interfering with food deliveries to the Stamford shelters.

In the aftermath of the storm, the Mayor was careful to single out participants to various visiting politicians, including U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal. Both the Mayor and the Director of Public Safety made specific mention of Amateur Radio in thanking the various volunteer groups who helped the City of Stamford.

In Region 2, DEC Douglas Sharafanowich, WA1SFH operated for two days from DEMHS Region 2 Headquarters and ran nets every hour on Monday. This region was recently reorganized, and Doane commended the DEC and his team on getting so many trained people out in the field for this storm.

In Eastern Connecticut, the following towns in Region 4 opened shelters that were supported by ARES and/or Red Cross Amateur Radio operators: East Lyme, New London, Groton, Stonington, Norwich, and Colchester and the Area 4 Waterford Office of the Red Cross (K1ARC).

The East Lyme Regional Shelter was opened on Sunday, October 28, by the American Red Cross. Amateur Radio assistance was requested to link it to the Waterford American Red Cross Headquarters. The link was established by a shelter radio, go-box, and antenna that had been assembled by ARES from a Homeland Security Grant. A Region 4 Resource net was operational with 31 stations checking in for duty.

In Region 5, DEC Dave Hyatt, K1DAV, manned the Torrington EOC. The War Memorial Shelter was supported by hams. Herb Kommritz, N1KWV, managed the Red Cross operation in Bethel. The Region 5 Resource Net run by Hyatt had 17 towns represented. In Bethel, Tom Cheslock, K1TJC, acted as a Red Cross shelter manager for seven days and six nights. He and his wife Carol looked after clients, manned radios, and handled many difficult situations. Laura Vasile, KB1SOM, Bethel's Health Director handled all of the health decisions. Ken Weith, KD1DD, ran shelter communications, assigning town radios to key people. CERT training served the volunteers well in this long term shelter assignment, reported Weith.

The Stratford EOC was supported by Gary Moyher, WE1M, and SM Doane. The pair set up EOC VHF/UHF radios and antennas at Bunnell High School (the Stratford shelter). The EOC and shelter were then continuously manned by additional operators.

On the digital front, Assistant SM Larry Buck, K1HEJ, reported that the Flexnet packet nodes maintained connectivity. There was good use of Winlink gateways, Buck said, and also 29 nodes were connecting to the W1HAD packet network as platforms for disaster response messages. NTS nets ran as scheduled but stood by to handle only emergency record traffic to accommodate repeaters on backup power. Many operators stood by; lots took part actively. Those at shelters supported communication

functions when asked and helped out with other related tasks. Doane thanked her ARES operators: "We're a team!" -- Betsey Doane, K1EIC, Connecticut Section Manager

Southern New Jersey

Ocean County ARES was activated and conducted status nets on the WA2RES repeater twice each day during the emergency and response phases. The Ocean County EOC requested Amateur Radio communications for each Red Cross and municipal shelter, which was met by Ocean County EC Robert Murdock, WX2NJ. Six shelters were opened, but county ARES did not have enough equipment to serve all shelters, so a request was made to Southern New Jersey SEC John Zruba, K2ZA, and ARRL HQ responded by sending six transceivers, power supplies, coax and antennas to the ARES group under the Ham Aid program.

Murdock went to the EOC, took possession of the equipment and returned to his home, where he worked through the night to inventory the gear, program the transceivers, assemble antennas and test all power supplies and coax for proper operation. There was no commercial power at his home, but his ham shack was being powered by a 9KW propane-powered emergency generator.

By Thursday, November 1, the emergency phase changed to the recovery phase, which will take a long time to complete in the nine counties of the ARRL Southern New Jersey section. Commercial communications systems were being restored in most parts of the section, but Amateur Radio operations continued in Ocean and Atlantic counties under the direction of their ECs. Murdock said the ARRL Ham Aid VHF radios worked very well. Both shoreline counties will continue to determine their long term Amateur Radio needs daily based on Red Cross sheltering plans, and the state of commercial communications restoration.

Zruba was also the Incident Commander for this event. He polled other counties in the section for mutual aid operator support for Atlantic county to relieve weary operators there. The ARRL Eastern Pennsylvania, Northern New Jersey, and Western Massachusetts sections all offered operators and ARESMAT teams.

The last session of the Section Resource net on the SNJ ARES repeater was held on Thursday morning. Thanks were given to all ARES/RACES operators who showed that planning, regular monthly tests, and dedication pay off when it comes to helping their fellow citizens in a major communication emergency. When all else fails, Amateur Radio works! -- Gary Wilson, K2GW, Assistant SM, Southern New Jersey Section

Virginia

Virginia Section Manager Carl Clements, W4CAC, reported that ARES groups in Fairfax County, Chesapeake, Portsmouth, Norfolk, and Virginia Beach staffed EOCs and the Isle of Wight was also activated. "Most of our damage here in the Tidewater area (Norfolk, Portsmouth, Chesapeake, and the Beach) was a few downed trees and power lines with minor

flooding. When our folks were activated, they responded!"

Delaware

The ARRL Delaware Section ARES/RACES was tasked with providing back up communications for the State EOC in Smyrna and each of the three individual Delaware county EOCs at New Castle in New Castle county, Dover in Kent county, and Georgetown in Sussex county. (Delaware has only three counties). The team also provided back up communication for the City of Wilmington in New Castle county and several small towns in Sussex County.

Communications provided during the storm consisted of essential elements of information in the form of local road and weather reporting, high water, downed trees and power outages. There was exchange of local welfare information about open shelters. Updates were communicated to the National Hurricane Center during the storm's progress. There were about 100 radio amateurs involved throughout Delaware. Section Manager Frank Filipowski, KB3QQZ, managed his team from the State EOC.

The primary HF frequency used was 3905 kHz for the Delaware Traffic Net with check-ins from each of the EOCs. HF communications were also established using Winlink, Army MARS, and CAP frequencies. VHF and UHF communications were maintained during the storm without power outages in most cases. Most of the traffic and messages were passed using local VHF and UHF activated nets for each county.

SM Filipowski said "Although the eye of Hurricane Sandy passed over the state of Delaware, we escaped much of the damage that was reported to areas north of us." Sussex County ARES provided emergency back-up communications during Hurricane Sandy from October 28 through October 30. ARES members furnished over 360 hours of communications support at served agency locations as well as from their homes and mobile units.

Preps

Based on the increasing potential of a damaging storm, Sussex County ARES encouraged members to check their Go-Kits and overall readiness. As the storm continued to develop a bulletin was issued on October 26 giving details of potential shelter and hospital activations. On October 26 and 27, the EC attended statewide conference calls at the county EOC. Information obtained from these calls was helpful in creating the ARES plan for Sandy response. A special pre-hurricane net was called on the evening of October 27 to answer questions and discuss assignments and operating requirements. The detailed ARES plan was issued on Sunday morning, October 28, which included frequencies, personnel assignments, reporting requirements, and a request for additional personnel. Activations began at 1200 on October 28. Sussex County ARES operators deployed to several served agency locations and shelters.

The operating environment was generally high, gusty winds with heavy to moderate rain. Winds peaked late afternoon and evening of October 29. Nearly all traffic was "tactical." Information requests from the EOC were made in this format, as were most responses. The Indian River High School shelter ARES team used the ICS-213 message format for shelter head count reports. They obtained Shelter Manager signatures on each. Practice/test WINLINK messages were exchanged between the hospitals and the EOC.

Accomplishments/Lessons Learned

Sussex County ARES provided communications at two shelters housing over 500 residents. For many Sussex County ARES members, this was their first opportunity to operate during an emergency and each of them stepped up. Net discipline was greatly improved. With our training emphasis and the importance of the actual situation at hand, chatter and general comments were at a minimum. The radios that were recently installed at Nanticoke Hospital worked very well. Data communications using WINLINK and WINMOR/PACTOR as well as voice were available throughout the storm. The pre-net offered an opportunity to announce and discuss final plans.

Permanent antennas at shelters and hospitals are essential. This has been stated after several SETS and drills and following Hurricane Irene. The marginal communications attained with portable J-Poles and jury rigged solutions stands in stark contrast to the success with the permanent antennas at Nanticoke Memorial hospital. On a positive note, ARES has learned that Sussex County has procured equipment for permanent installation at five shelter facilities. At Beebe Medical Center, antennas have been purchased with the next step being installation. Completion of these installations will mark a significant milestone. It is hoped that the shelters and Beebe hospital will have permanent antennas in time for the next emergency.

WINLINK was available at Beebe and Nanticoke and at the EOC, but none of the shelter operators had this capability. ARES is continuing to train and emphasize the importance of this digital mode. The goal is to have WINLINK at each deployed location/served agency. The ICS-213 is a useful tool in traffic handling. During Sandy, only one site used the form in submitting shelter headcount reports. The operator obtained Red Cross Shelter Manager signatures on each message. We will continue to underline the value of the 213 in our training and at the same time emphasize the need to send messages slowly and only after direction from the NCS to begin transmission.

We must redouble our efforts to encourage members to deploy to served agencies. During Sandy, we satisfied our mission, but had the storm lingered, our deployed manning level would have been insufficient to the task. ARES leadership has identified several members who will be contacted individually and asked to deploy during the next activation.

NCS and served agency operators used ICS-309 for communications logging. Newer members were unsure about the form, but tried their best

to fill it out. ARES will conduct training on the use of ICS-309, ICS-213 and ICS-214 forms.

The initial NCS operator was on duty for twelve hours. After that, with the addition of two more operators, shifts were six hours. This still proved to be too long, so in the future we will use three-hour shifts so that operators do not become so fatigued. Reporting criteria need to be emphasized. We did a much better job in reporting than we did during Hurricane Irene. The EC requested a list of reportable information from the EOC and this was generally provided by radio amateurs accordingly. A few unnecessary reports ("it's raining in Lewes") mean that we must continue to emphasize that only information requested by a served agency is to be reported.

Individual operators reported radio, home generator, and TNC problems as they attempted to use their equipment during the storm, pointing to the importance of regularly checking out our equipment.

Summary

During the storm we received an inquiry from the Delaware State Police asking about our ability to provide support if it became necessary. The storm concluded without our activation, but we were pleased to be considered as a potential resource. Beebe and Nanticoke hospitals were very complimentary, frequently expressing their appreciation for our support. Shelter managers were very cooperative in helping the ARES teams find operating areas that were separate from the actual shelter areas. This marked an improvement over the situation during Hurricane Irene. An ARES press release was provided to local media outlets. Based on a September meeting with Sussex County, ARES provided a listing of all deployed operators so that they could be covered under the county's insurance plan.

Sussex County ARES provided 365 person hours of communications support to our community. An additional 21 hours were dedicated to the pre-storm planning net, 13 hours to planning and coordination including two meetings at the EOC, and 10 hours of after-action analysis and reporting. In total, 409 hours of service. -- Frank Filipkowski, AD3M, Delaware Section Manager

Northern New York

Two days after the ARRL Northern New York section's SET, superstorm Sandy hit the east coast. In most of the Adirondacks, the storm seemed almost a non-issue. We had some trees down and power outages for a short time, but nothing too serious or prolonged. However, this was not the case elsewhere, obviously.

As a member of the Air Force Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS), I spent the better part of three days checked in to the USAF MARS emergency communications nets -- monitoring, relaying messages, or acting as net control. MARS and ARES/RACES are complementary volunteer emergency radio services, with ARES/RACES primarily supporting civilian

agencies and MARS supporting the military and other federal government agencies such as FEMA. MARS members are Amateur Radio operators who have special training in military communications procedures and operate on assigned military frequencies outside the ham bands.

During one of my net control shifts we handled a message to the FAA about loss of tower lighting at a nuclear power facility, a potentially hazardous situation especially with disaster relief aircraft in the area. The problem was observed by a mobile station in New Jersey and relayed by an HF station in Virginia to a military station in New York who in turn contacted the FAA, which in turn issued a bulletin on the situation to warn pilots. - Pete Newell, KC2WI, Lewis County ARES Emergency Coordinator/RACES Radio Officer; Lewis County Emergency Communicators <http://www.lcecg.org/>; AFA2CQ, Military Auxiliary Radio System

==> GEORGIA ARES TEAM SUPPORTS NATIONAL GUARD COMMEX

Zero-dark-thirty hours comes early for anyone, but especially for civilians getting up to be part of a military communications exercise! But members of the Cobb County (Georgia) ARES team, along with their counterparts from Chatham County were up (literally!) for the Saturday, November 3, 2012 National Guard COMMEX with time to spare -- or so it seemed right up until net operations began.

Cobb ARES Emergency Coordinator (EC) Ed Humphries, N5RCK, along with his wife Dawn, KI5EV, were joined by Anthony (Tony) Gaito, KC0CSG and James (Jim) Wingate, WA2EIU, to meet up and convoy together to Georgia's Clay National Guard Center, recently opened on the site of the former Naval Air Station (NAS Atlanta). Gaito towed the group's emergency communications trailer, which recently completed build out, to the site. Working in two teams, the group set up the trailer and its antennas for HF/VHF/UHF and weather along with the emcomm generator and a DIY 40 meter folded dipole erected as an NVIS antenna in an inverted V configuration. Everything was in place and tested prior to the 0800 "STARTEX."

After EC Humphries visited the Georgia National Guard Joint Operations Center inside the Guard's newly completed headquarters building, the COMMEX began in earnest. The objectives for Amateur Radio included making contact with the Chatham County ARES group deployed to Fort Stewart via HF voice and data, D-STAR, and, if time allowed, Echolink. ICS-213 style messages were successfully passed via HF voice and PSK-31 and delivered to the intended recipients. Although the Fort Stewart team could hear the Cobb ARES group via D-STAR emergency communications Reflector 30C, a programming glitch prevented them from replying; the Chatham hams solved the problem shortly before the exercise ended.

LTC Jeffrey Olive of the Headquarters Detachment, Joint Force Headquarters at Clay National Guard Center led the way for a series of VIP briefings given by Cobb ARES concerning the capabilities of Amateur Radio as exemplified by the group's emcomm trailer and functioning. The

Guardsmen all seemed to be impressed with the possibilities for interoperability, especially in the first 12 to 24 hours of any possible National Guard callout such as for Hurricane Sandy that had just hit the northeast and Atlantic states. This citizen soldier group has plenty of sophisticated communications gear, but they also understand that the Guard's mission often puts them in a position of needing to communicate and coordinate with civil authority and NGO support groups. Amateur Radio already plays a key role in disaster scenarios with those groups; a little synchronicity may come into play, meaning it is a good thing to interact and practice interoperability!

As the "ENDEX" was being sounded there were cries heard above the background noise of the generator, "Wait! I want to try ..." As usual the time flew by and all the communications exchange ended with that one last thing yet undone: The Cobb County ARES group enjoyed lunch with the National Guard team courtesy of LTC Olive and then packed it all up, tired but happy to have had a successful deployment.

The Amateur Radio part of the exercise could not have taken place without the other end to talk to: Chatham County ARES deployed to Fort Stewart, Georgia, near Savannah. Newly appointed Metro Atlanta Assistant DEC Guy McDonald, K4GTM, was there along with Greg Bandish, W5GKB; Dwight Bliecher, K4YPM; and Dan Scott, KF4MND. Also, a special thanks goes to SFC Tiffany Warren for her coordination efforts and arranging access to the Clay National Guard Center. Thanks to LTC Olive and all the Guard crew for letting Cobb County ARES be part of their communications exercise. -- Ed Humphries, N5RCK, Cobb County (Georgia) EC

[Editor's note: ARRL Southeastern Division Vice Director and Metro Atlanta District EC Jim Millsap, WB4NWS, commented "The importance of our providing communications services to our National Guard during a disaster is evidenced by their now second request for support for their COMMEX. Our folks performed well providing solid radio communications 200 miles apart. At one point, a soldier went down due to heat, military comms became overloaded and Amateur Radio VHF was utilized to communicate messages to command from the field.
Data and voice were used to provide support also."]

==> TENNESSEE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB PARTICIPATES IN EXERCISE "WINTER STORM 2012"

Members of the DeKalb/Cannon County (Tennessee) Amateur Radio Club participated in an emergency exercise on Saturday, October 6, 2012. The Simulated Emergency Test was titled "Winter Storm 2012," and was conducted with DeKalb and Cannon County EMAs. The exercise scenario was a winter storm that entered Tennessee from the west near Memphis and moved into middle Tennessee west of Nashville by noon on Saturday. The storm shut down all major Interstates and highways across the state, with major widespread power outages.

Portable HF and VHF/UHF stations and antenna systems were constructed, evaluated for performance, and deployed at several locations including DeKalb West School, Woodland School, and atop Short Mountain. Stations at Cannon County High School, DeKalb Community Hospital, and Stones' River Hospital were also activated and evaluated for effectiveness.

The Amateur Radio station at the DeKalb County EOC located at the Smithville Fire Hall was the command center for the exercise. Messages were sent to the State EOC at the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) in Nashville via wireless computer-radio links. These messages contained SITREPs for DeKalb and Cannon counties, and were sent from either the DeKalb EOC or the mobile station setup atop Short Mountain by HF radio to an automated station in another part of the U.S., outside the local simulated disaster area. Messages then went via one of five hardened servers located worldwide (for redundancy), and then into the regular Internet, to be delivered via e-mail anywhere that e-mail is available. Thus, if the Internet were down locally or even regionally, by using the Winlink 2000 system, we would still have some e-mail capabilities. This was in addition to and separate from the usual local and area VHF/UHF operations.

A total of 14 radio amateurs from throughout middle Tennessee checked into the emergency radio network. Local amateur repeaters were used as well as VHF/UHF and HF point-to-point networks. Check-ins included ARRL ARES officials DeKalb County EC Kathy Kujawski, NF9G, and Cannon County EC Freddy Curtis, KC4GUG. Additional stations checking into the radio network were John O'Conner, KD4WX, ARES District 6 Emergency Coordinator; Dallas Rife, KK4ISW, Shelbyville; and Gary George, WB4CWS, of McMinnville.

The club thanked DeKalb County Emergency Management Director Charlie Parker, and Cannon County EMA Director Faye Morse, as well as DeKalb Community Hospital and Stones' River Hospital for their support of local participation in this annual state-wide exercise. The club is affiliated with the ARRL. -- Wm. Freddy Curtis, KC4GUG, DeKalb/Cannon County Amateur Radio Club, Smithville, Tennessee

==> NEW ENGLAND FOREST RALLY 2012: CHALLENGING AND REWARDING

Using your radio to serve the public is not only a great way to give back, but it's also quite rewarding on a personal level. A secondary benefit to volunteering your time to perform public service through ham radio is that it's an excellent environment in which to hone your skills in case you're needed in an emergency. The protocols employed at a public service event are much like those used by hams called out to assist in disasters and emergencies.

This past spring, I worked the Boston Marathon. Weeks ago I was at the summit of Mt. Washington in New Hampshire braving sustained winds of 50 mph while logging cyclists crossing the finish line of the grueling Newton's Revenge race. At the end of the second week of July, 2012, thousands of people descended upon Newry, Maine for the classic New England Forest Rally (NEFR). If you were anywhere near this remote

western part of Maine, you saw street legal racing cars covered with decals roaming Route 2 side by side with cars and trucks sporting Amateur Radio antennas and operators providing safety communications. The NEFR is an event that provides excellent training for disaster response operations: there are dense forests, hills, dust, heat and no fixed repeaters nor commercial power.

The team I was assigned to worked the prestigious Concord Pond stage on the first day of the rally and both Lost Weekend stages on the second day of the event. The Lost Weekend stage is a loop road raced counterclockwise (CCW) in the morning and clockwise (CW) after lunch. For operators, an H-T was quite limited unless it was paired with a mobile 50-watt radio that can cross band repeat. That's how I worked the rally this year: I used my Yaesu VX-7R on 439.000 MHz set on low power, and had my Yaesu FT-8900R in my truck to capture my H-T signal and boom it out at 50 watts on the primary simplex 2-meter frequency we were using. I was usually no more than 300 feet from my truck, so the low power setting on my H-T was perfect. This helped preserve battery power in the H-T and allowed me to work all day with one battery.

It's helpful to have a portable mast-mounted antenna that you can connect to your car, truck or a tree. You suspend from the top of the mast a 2-meter J-pole antenna that allows you, in most cases, to hear every other ham on that stage. Using a rooftop antenna on a car or truck will work, but I was not able to hear all the other radios on my stages all the time. Next year I'll have a mast antenna that I can erect in minutes and connect to the mobile 50-watt radio in my truck.

If you like bugs, dust, mud, the woods, fast cars, food from plastic bags and challenging work, then the New England Forest Rally is the place for you. In all seriousness, I highly recommend working this event, or any other rally event, if you want to see how you might perform under pressure in a real disaster. -- Tim Carter, W3ATB, Meredith, New Hampshire

==> ARRL PUBLIC SERVICE/EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING PROGRAM CHANGES

Revised Field Instructor (FI) and Mentor Qualifications/Requirements have been implemented for the ARRL Public Service/Emergency Communications Training Program. Our continuing effort to improve and adjust our training program to adapt to the role we play in public service and emergency communications response with other local and national agencies necessarily results in changes from time to time. Based on feedback from individuals and leaders in our community and changes in FEMA training we are making some changes to strengthen our training program. Effective November 1, 2012 we are updating the qualifications/requirements for those who wish to serve as Field Instructors or Online Mentors for ARRL's Emergency Communications training program. Changes to qualifications include the addition of SKYWARN training and some changes in the list of FEMA training required of instructors and mentors. Updated requirements include listing field

classes with the ARRL Continuing Education Program office, and filing student rosters and student evaluations with the CEP office. We are also adding a 3-year term of service to this appointment. You can review the updated qualifications/requirements on the ARRL website at: www.arrl.org/requirements-for-field-instructors <http://www.arrl.org/requirements-for-field-instructors> and www.arrl.org/mentoring-online-courses <http://www.arrl.org/mentoring-online-courses>.

The list of prerequisites for completion of the Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs (EC-016) Course has also been updated to reflect changes in the FEMA training program, as well as other appropriate training for field leadership. Review the updated list of prerequisites in the course description at: www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog <http://www.arrl.org/online-course-catalog>. -- Mike Corey, KI1U, ARRL Emergency Preparedness Manager and Debra Johnson, K1DMJ, ARRL Education Services Manager

==> LETTERS: ON RECRUITMENT CHALLENGES

In response to the thoughtful letter in the last issue from John Lawrence, W1QS, about getting new operators into your organization, we can honestly say in more than 20 years serving the Medtronic Twin Cities Marathon we have never had a problem getting staffed up to around 130 volunteers for a seven hour event, and running a year round technical/Linux development team that is world class. Here's what we do:

1. Run a big tent -- we take anybody with a license or even without a license for certain jobs like checking in patients in our medical tent or looking up the status of missing runners.

2. Have an obsessive focus on the needs for health care support and safety in your event/served agency -- we are introduced and assigned as "part of the Medical Team."

3. Take related duties as assigned and do them perfectly -- some of these, like driving medical carts can be interesting.

4. Embrace the newest technology - this year we were asked about supporting iPhones and sending text messages to family members of injured runners.

5. Follow ICS/NIMS best practices, including decentralizing operations. This provides us with more leadership opportunities.

6. Drive to a mission statement -- ours is to deploy world class Amateur Radio infrastructure and highly trained volunteers to help make our community safer.

7. Show off a little. I will never forget the gratitude on the faces of the fledgling medical department at a new running event three years ago

who called us in to help. On a hot steamy race morning we brought in an Incident Action Plan co-written with the City/County, two multi-million dollar communications trucks, 20 hams and eight EMTs from our local Native American community. Two of the MDs from that event now volunteer for us.

8. Work seamlessly with Public Safety professionals and under their direction. Led by our energetic Medical Director, we have been recruiting new health care volunteers and are helping to glue our various agencies together to improve the overall level of emergency response. -- Erik Westgard, NY9D, Volunteer Medical Communications Coordinator, Twin Cities in Motion, www.14567.org <http://www.14567.org/>

I feel the pain of John Lawrence, W1QS. As the leader for a successful VE team we have developed a comprehensive means to meet our recruitment goals. A good PIO or PR person is a must. You need a strong person or team to get your message out as well as manage your message. We actively go after CERT volunteers, Public Safety officials, Boy Scouts, Civil Air Patrol, Library patrons, pilots, boaters, Senior Center residents, and so on, to get interested persons licensed and ultimately on our team. Use some imagination.

Look at your served agencies as a potential recruiting pool, especially. Going after them also promotes communication, cooperation and coordination.

Bring people together by generating training and activities, as well as social events. Networking and getting people to work together as a team are major factors to a healthy organization. People will be involved if they feel engaged and that they can contribute. -- Bill Neill, NE1LL, Westerville, Ohio, ne1ll@ymail.com

==> FLORIDA ARES GROUP SUPPORTS GREAT FLORIDIAN TRIATHLON

The Lake County (Florida) ARES took an active support role in the Great Floridian Triathlon that was held on October 20, 2012 in Claremont, Florida. The major contest is the "Iron Man" where athletes complete a 2.5 mile swim, a 112 mile bicycle ride and a 26 mile marathon run. There were participants from several different countries and many from all over the United States. There were 300 people who took part in the Iron Man event and another 100 who competed in an intermediate contest.

Lake County ARES (LCARES) provided radio communications along the 112 mile bicycle route consisting of three laps of nearly equal mileage. ARES was there to make sure the ride was safe and those riders who broke down or had a medical problem could get help quickly. Several ARES volunteers had put in a 12 hour day by the time the communications trailer was pulled out at dusk.

LCARES turned out 13 volunteers to provide the necessary radio communications using their own radio equipment and vehicles as well as the ARES mobile communications trailer. The trailer was set up at the

Lake Minneola Park site in Claremont next to the event headquarters. A VHF/UHF vertical antenna was placed on top of the 40 foot crank up tower, which served very well as contact was established with all the mobile and hand-held 2 meter radios throughout Lake County. The N4FLA repeater on 147.000 MHz was the primary frequency, with simplex 2 meter frequencies also used for short range contact to the trailer from event headquarters and staging area. The Lake County EMS provided ARES with one of their portable radios for use in the trailer to report cases that needed medical attention. We had to use this radio on three occasions when Amateur Radio mobiles reported medical emergencies.

We also had Nextel communications with event personnel and with the mobile bicycle repair vans who also provided the SAG wagons. There were three rest stops along the route with Amateur Radio operators at each of them to report rider progress, request supplies, or look out for certain riders. We had 10 requests for the mobile repair vans when mechanical breakdowns were reported by Amateur Radio operators who were patrolling the course.

Lessons Learned

Everything was going smoothly until for some yet undetermined reason in the afternoon our primary repeater locked up and made it unusable. Being flexible ham radio operators, we quickly switched to our secondary repeater on 146.255 MHz without missing a beat. Taking part in events such as this gives the ARES personnel practical experience in setting up emergency radio equipment, how to function as a team in an emergency and to properly communicate by radio under these circumstances. This is important as we are sometimes called upon to support public safety first responders in times of natural disasters such as hurricanes and tornados, which are not strangers to this part of Florida.-- Ted Luebbers, K1AYZ, Lake County ARES PIO, Tavares, Florida www.k4fc.org <http://www.k4fc.org/> or www.n4fla.org <http://www.n4fla.org/>

==> TRAINING OPS

I found this while browsing a Utah state government site, which seemed of interest to ARES. AUXCOMM Training <http://publicsafety.utah.gov/emergencymanagement/Training/AUXCOMM.html>Description: This workshop is designed for the amateur radio/auxiliary communicator or group who provides emergency communications backup support for planned or unplanned events at a State/Territory, Tribal, regional, or local level. This offering is designed for amateur radio operators/organizations who work with public safety and cross-disciplinary emergency response professionals and coordination/support personnel with an amateur radio background. The course focuses on educating attendees about auxiliary communications interoperability, emergency operation center etiquette, on-the-air etiquette, FCC rules and regulations, auxiliary communications training and planning, certification and accreditation and emergency communications deployment. It is intended to supplement and standardize

an operator's basic knowledge of emergency amateur radio communications in a public safety context. Prerequisites: General Class or higher amateur radio license. Also, IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, and IS-800. The IS courses can be completed online at: http://training.fema.gov <http://training.fema.gov/> the FEMA Independent Study Website. -- K1CE

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

Here's what I took away from reading and compiling the reports received after the disaster responses were wrapped up from storm Sandy: ARES and Amateur Radio emergency/disaster response communications have evolved exceptionally well in this post 9/11 and Katrina era. ARES has kept pace, step for step with the emergency management community at large as we have embraced digital modes, new technology, and especially more and better training, professionalism and maturity as a critical component of the overall radio communications emergency support function. We should be proud of our efforts that have produced a better, more valuable service for our neighbors and communities, our served agencies, and indeed our own Amateur Radio community.

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2333. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 21 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-21 17:16:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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Source record: 1450
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T2GM Tuvalu

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:31 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369196-T2GM-Tuvalu&goto=newpost

GM3YTS , GM4FDM , GM0GAV , GM3POI will be active from Tuvalu Island 12-23 March 2013 as T2GM

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...tuvalu-island/

73 Al 4L5A

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Joint Point Lighthouse Op - Nov 23 & 24 MD/VA Border

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 07:55 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369190-Joint-Point-Lighthouse-Op-Nov-23-amp-24-MD-VA-Border&goto=newpost

I have received my permit to operate from Jones Point Lighthouse from the National Park Service.

Call: K1LFG/P

>Date: Nov 23rd (afternoon) & 24th (all morning, and part of afternoon, conditions permitting)

Modes: SSB only (see restrictions)

Bands: 10m, 12m, 15m, 20m, 40m (late)

Location: Jones Point Park, Jones Point Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-409)

Virginia & Maryland border, very close to the District of Columbia southern border point. I will be operating from outside the lighthouse, with my portable station literally splitting the VA/MD border.

If there is enough interest (100+ QSO), I have permission to have special color QSL cards made with photos of the site, NPS / ARLHS logos, and other historical information.

Notes:

The permit is very restrictive; I can't have anything staked down, nothing attached to the trees or lighthouse, no commercial power or generators, can't block the walking paths, "voice only" (SSB), check in with park police, 1 person permitted, no shelters, the list goes on; it's 5 pages!

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YP0CW/P first activation YOFF-371

Posted: 20 Nov 2012 02:06 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369110-YP0CW-P-first-activation-YOFF-371&goto=newpost

images.jpg Thursday 22 November 2012

YP0CW/P will be active (first activation) from a rare WFF area: YOFF-371

grid loc: KN26hg, in 7/10/14/18/21 MHz, mostly CW, some SSB.

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2334. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 21 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Message-ID: <90e6ba61469af3d6ee04cf04c25b@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: A Ham's Night Before Christmas (HD)

Posted: 20 Nov 2012 11:56 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369096-HamRadioNow-A-Ham-s-Night-Before-Christmas-(HD)&goto=newpost

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audio recording (by the 'author'), got a music accompaniment, and in 2010

became a movie... er, video. Now it's in HighDef!

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73, Gary KN4AQ

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2335. The ARRL Letter for November 21, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-21 20:37:48 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121121174514.B3C7727CA34@bmail.arrl.org>
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ARRL Headquarters will be closed November 22 and 23 in observance of Thanksgiving. There will be no W1AW bulletins or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> those days. The ARRL Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/> will be published a day early on Wednesday, November 21, but there will be no ARRL Audio News <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, November 22. ARRL Headquarters will reopen Monday, November 26 at 8 AM Eastern Standard Time. We wish everyone a safe and bountiful Thanksgiving holiday.

==> ARRL MEMBERS IN HUDSON DIVISION ELECT NEW DIRECTOR; NORTHWESTERN DIVISION RE-ELECTS DIRECTOR

On November 16, ballots were counted in the races for Director in the Hudson Division and for Director and Vice Director in the Northwestern Division. This year, there were only three contested races

for Director or Vice Director in the five Divisions holding elections. In the Hudson Division, Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, defeated incumbent Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF, for the top slot in that Division. In the Northwestern Division, Jim Fenstermaker, K9JF, defeated William Balzarini, KL7BB, for Director, while James Pace, K7CEX, was elected Vice Director in a three-way race. Terms for Directors and Vice Directors begin at noon on January 1, 2013 and run for three years. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-members-in-hudson-division-elect-new-director-northwestern-division-gets-new-vice-director>.

==> FCC SEEKS TO ASSIGN ENTIRE AMATEUR PORTION OF 160 METER BAND TO PRIMARY STATUS TO AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE, PROPOSES NEW LF AMATEUR BAND AT 135.7-137.8 KHZ

On Tuesday, November 20, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ET Docket No. 12-338) that proposes to amend Parts 1, 2, 74, 78, 87, 90 and 97 of the Commission's rules. Part 97 governs the Amateur Radio Service. These changes will implement allocation decisions from the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-07) that concern those portions of the radio frequency spectrum between 108 MHz and 20.2 GHz and make certain updates to the rules in this frequency range. Most of the NPRM does not concern the Amateur Radio Service, but the FCC is requesting comments on the three parts that do: changing the allocation to the amateur portion of the 160 meter band, allocating a new Amateur Service band at 135.7-137.8 kHz and cleaning up the rules for the 10.0-10.5 GHz band. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-assign-entire-amateur-portion-of-160-meter-band-to-primary-status-to-amateur-radio-serv>.

==> AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: THREE HAMS RETURN TO EARTH FROM ISS

Shortly before 9 PM EST on Sunday, November 18 (0200 UTC Monday, November 19), a Soyuz spacecraft carrying Expedition 33 Commander Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, and Flight Engineers Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Aki Hoshide, KE5DNI, landed in the steppes of Kazakhstan, returning them safely to Earth from the International Space Station (ISS) after 127 days in space.

While aboard the ISS, Williams, Malenchenko and Hashide completed 39 contacts with schools via the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) project. According to NASA ISS Ham Radio Project Engineer Kenneth Ransom, N5VHO, this ties with Expedition 15 for the fourth highest number of contacts. In 2011, Expedition 26 -- led by Scott Kelly -- set the record for having the most ARISS contacts at 73. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/three-hams-return-to-earth-from-iss>.

==> ON THE AIR: TOP OFF THE YEAR ON TOP BAND IN THE ARRL 160 METER CONTEST

While Solar Cycle 24 is making the high bands the focal point for HF operators, 160 meters -- Top Band -- is still chock full of DX. There's no better time to get on 160 meters than the ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>, November 30-December 2.

The ARRL 160 Meter Contest is an all-CW event, with ARRL/RAC Sections and DXCC entities used as multipliers. If you live in a rare Section -- such as North Dakota, Nebraska or any of the rare Sections from the November Sweepstakes contests -- everyone will be seeking you. Hams in Ontario (VE3) will have a new role in this year's contest: The split of Ontario into four new sections -- Ontario East (ONE), Ontario North (ONN), Ontario South (ONS) and the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) -- will give everybody a few new multipliers to hunt for on Top Band.

In this contest, Alaska (KL7) and Hawaii (KH6) can be worked by both DX and US/Canadian stations, as can the Caribbean US possessions (KP1-KP5) and all of the Pacific Ocean territories (KH0-KH9). No antennas for 160? Don't be discouraged! According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, if you don't have an antenna for 160, put up a temporary length of wire or try to load up whatever you have through an antenna tuner; even a 40 meter dipole through a tuner will make some QSOs.

Since ARRL and RAC Sections are worth 2 points each and count as multipliers, the ARRL 160 Meter Contest is a good way to begin working -- or finishing up! -- your Worked All States Award (WAS <http://www.arrl.org/was>). But don't forget about those DX stations -- each DXCC entity is a multiplier and is worth 5 points.

The 2012 ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter> runs from 2200 UTC Friday, November 30 through 1559 UTC Sunday, December 2. Complete rules and entry forms may be found here <http://www.arrl.org/contests>. Logs must be e-mailed <160meter@arrl.org> or postmarked no later than 1600 UTC Tuesday, January 1, 2013. Paper logs should be sent to ARRL 160 Meter Contest, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

==> SILENT KEY: FORMER "HOW'S DX?" CONDUCTOR ROD NEWKIRK, W9BRD (SK)

Rod Newkirk, W9BRD/VA3ZBB, of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada -- who penned the QST column "How's DX?" from 1947-1978 -- passed away on Monday, November 19 after a long illness. Newkirk was credited with coining the term "Elmer," as well as for his humorous take on DX in his column, especially with limericks in his DX Hoggery and Poetry Depreciation Society and the accompanying cartoons of Jeeves by Phil "Gil" Gildersleeve, W1CJD (SK).

The term "Elmer" -- meaning someone who provides personal guidance and assistance to would-be hams -- first appeared in QST in Newkirk's March 1971 "How's DX?" column, where he wrote that "[t]oo frequently one hears a sad story in this little nutshell: 'Oh, I almost got a ticket, too, but Elmer, W9XYZ, moved away and I kind of lost interest.' Sure, the guy could have burned through on his own, maybe, but he, like

others, wound up an almost-ham. No more Elmer. We need those Elmers. All the Elmers, including the ham who took the most time and trouble to give you a push toward your license, are the birds who keep this great game young and fresh." Newkirk was probably not trying to coin a term at the time, but the name stuck, becoming a general term for the mentors Newkirk called "the unsung fathers of ham radio." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/former-how-s-dx-conductor-rod-newkirk-w9brd-sk>.

==> SECTION MANAGER NEWS: MONTE SIMPSON, K2MLS, APPOINTED ARRL WESTERN WASHINGTON SECTION MANAGER

Monte Simpson, K2MLS, of Bremerton, has been appointed ARRL Western Washington Section Manager, effective December 31, 2012. Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment after current Western Washington Section Manager Jim Pace, K7CEX, was elected as ARRL Northwestern Division Vice Director on November 16. Pace has served as Western Washington Section Manager since October 2007. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/monte-simpson-k2mls-appointed-arrl-western-washington-section-manager>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: The strong solar activity continued this week. In last week's bulletin, the average daily sunspot number on November 8-14 was 104.9, but in the six days since then -- November 15-20 -- the average was 135.5, making for a nice increase. With the solar flux, the average over the previous period was 129.5, and in the six days since then, it increased to 138.6. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF on Tuesday, November 20, has the solar flux at 140 on November 21, 135 on November 22-23, 130 on November 24-25, 125 on November 26-27, 120 on November 28, and back down to 110 on November 29-December 1. The planetary A index is predicted to be 5 on November 21-22, 10 on November 23-24, 7 on November 25-26, and down to 5 on November 27-December 4. On November 19, Jon Jones, N0JK, in Wichita, Kansas reported fun on 6 and 10 meters: "I heard the W4CHA/b in grid square EL88 on 50.079 MHz via E skip around 1740 UTC. No live ops around. About 10 minutes earlier, I worked the PT0S DXpedition while on fixed mobile on 10 meters SSB. I was running 100 W and a mag mount whip antenna on the car. PT0S peaked up to 10 over S-9. I was on a high ridge with a clear shot to PT0S across the Wakarusa River Valley, which helped." Look for more on the ARRL website on Monday, November 26. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> BE A STAR! ENTER THE THIRD ANNUAL ARRL VIDEO CONTEST

If you've ever wanted a way to show the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Third Annual Video Contest! Here's a chance to put that video camera to use:

Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our way. If your video
takes first, second or third place, we'll post it on the ARRL website
for everyone to see. We're looking for a few good videos (but only one
per ARRL member, please) on any tasteful subject relating to Amateur
Radio. Videos will be judged on overall quality and composition, and
prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place. Read more
here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/be-a-star-enter-the-third-annual-arrl-video-contest
>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- November 23 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 24-25 -- CQ WW DX Contest (CW)
- November 28 -- SKCC Sprint
- November 28-29 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test
- November 29 -- QRP ARCI Top Band Sprint

Next week:

- November 30 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 30-December 2 -- ARRL 160 Meter Contest
<http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>
- December 1 -- TARA RTTY Melee; Wake-Up! QRP Sprint; TOPS Activity
Contest
- December 1-2 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>
- December 2 -- 10 Meter RTTY Contest; SARL Digital Contest
- December 4 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-b
ay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

To find a convention or hamfest near you, click here
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2336. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 21 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 03:17:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6150140a0ff504cf0ce84d@google.com>
Source record: 1453
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Radio Signal Strong - ABC Local

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 05:21 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGQ4IlOHchC5QdLFcRoczmvzMIOVQ&url=http://www.abc.net.au/local/stories/2012/11/22/3638554.htm?site%3Dwesternvic

Radio Signal Strong
ABC Local
Max Brighton and John Williams from the Sunraysia Radio Group popped into the studio in Mildura to catch up with Kevin Crockett (President of the Midland Amateur Radio Club) and Ann Jones in the Bendigo studios and talk transmissions.

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American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed - The Laconia Daily Sun

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 04:58 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFCWW3zw_96v5vMz_su-MBG23mqjQ&url=http://www.laconiadailysun.com/index.php/newsx/community-announcements/63687-c-240-american-legion-amateur-radio-operaters-needed

American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed
The Laconia Daily Sun
With the loss of power, ham operators from The American Legion Amateur Radio Club(TALARC) sprang into action. The club is "a nationwide volunteer unit that can and does aid the local community, state and national emergency officials during civil or ...

2337. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 07:00:05 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1353567601@panix.com>
Source record: 1454
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

2338. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 07:05:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1353567900@panix.com>
Source record: 1455
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

2339. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 07:05:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1353567900@panix.com>
Source record: 1456
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

2340. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1353568200@panix.com>
Source record: 1457
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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2341. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 47 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 07:17:25 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121122071655.3F92012330E96@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1458
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 47 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-11-22
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: E5 ; Cook Island ; Square: BH01 ; start 2012-11-25

Holiday style Dxpedition from BH01CC and BH01DC (will be two locations)
EME WSJT: 2m 1KW, 70cm 100w

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx
432 IC821 +100W LNA NE 54143 ant YU7EF/YU7XL

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2013-03-01

DL0AT qrv from JO44HI

Aktivate the Lighthouse Westerhever with big power on the top on the lighthouse.
2x7 ele es 2x 9 ele with 2x 750 watts. FED: 260; LH 0063

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: Crete ; start 2013-10-25

Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate Crete in Oktober 2013 on 2m EME.
Rig is as always TS2000, 2 x 9 ele M2 and BeKo SSPA with sufficient output power.
Location will Pelamare Apartments in Kokkini Hani, 13 kilometres East of Iraklion,
in the North of Crete. Website http://pelamare.webs.com/. Locator is KM25PH
We are very grateful for Pelamare Apts owner Manos SV9ANJ for supporting this DXpedition!

SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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the content of the sent newsletter. Only the sender of this newsletter is responsible for
the content.

2342. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 22 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 11:09:06 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec517c79a7a263504cf137ebb@google.com>
Source record: 1459
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PIBBmNaWoGs/november_22.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Not a bad week with just a dip on Wednesday. Saturday was huge. PT0S (Saint Peter and Saint Paul Rocks) was on the ball all week along with 5R8IC (Sainte-Marie Island), V84SMD (Borneo) and JX9JKO (Jan Mayen Is)

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Successful ARISS contact for Liceo scientifico Giacinto De Sivo, Maddaloni, Italy

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AxQ1GTqv-zE/ariss_event_success_2011.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Tuesday, November 20, students at Liceo scientifico Giacinto De Sivo – Fondazione Villaggio dei Ragazzi, Maddaloni, Italy established an ARISS contact with NASA astronaut Kevin Ford KF5GPP onboard the International Space Station

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Pocket Wi-Fi hotspots paralyse Chinese metro lines

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0ulO9EGalWA/pocket_wi_fi_hotspots_paralyse_chinese_metro_lines.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On The Register Bill Ray reports that Shenzhen Metro is blaming customer Wi-Fi for disruptions to its service

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Monte Simpson, K2MLS, appointed ARRL Western Washington Section Manager

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/902qYxdubCI/new_arrl_sm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Monte Simpson, K2MLS, of Bremerton, has been appointed ARRL Western Washington Section Manager, effective December 31, 2012

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Emergency Operating Center activated - ham radio volunteers help

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GiOW-bTC8Tg/emergency_operating_center_activated.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Daily Astorian reports on the part played by radio amateurs Don Hillgaertner WA7TEM and Frank Van Winkle KD7NNQ during a flood alert

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FCC seeks primary status for 160 meter band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aazFBAOUfQA/fcc_seeks_primary_status_for_160_meter_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ARRL report that the FCC seeks to assign the entire amateur radio portion of 160 Meter Band to Primary Status

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A decade of the Bell Hill Beacon Complex

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i0ATDy2U7NE/decade_of_the_bell_hill_beacon_complex.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

May 2012 marked the start of the second decade of continuous 24/7 operation of the beacons on Bell Hill, Dorset, IO80uu59

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New sunspot crackles with M-flares

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nKScvWxAdpI/new_sunspot_crackles_with_m_flares.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A big new sunspot (AR1618) has emerged near the center of the solar disk, and it is crackling with strong M-class solar flares

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November 2012 RAST Meeting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dyeIN2E8NY0/november_2012_rast_meeting.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Nuttaporn Kaewkajay E22ICQ has made available a video of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand meeting held November 4

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

2343. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 22 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 18:05:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd60d1a0dd304cf188f79@google.com>
Source record: 1460
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Suggestion for all of you CW contesters ... a way to get a few more
contacts . . . .

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 07:28 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369266-Suggestion-for-all-of-you-CW-contesters-a-way-to-get-a-few-more-contacts&goto=newpost

SLOW DOWN A LITTLE !!!

I was seriously thinking of trying my hand at the ARRL CW sweepestakes a
few weeks ago but after listening for a bit I said to heck with it. I can
copy a pretty reliable 15 wpm but I was pretty intimidated by the speeds
that most guys were sending at :(Maybe with a CW decoder and computer
sending you can actually copy it but I usually could not even get the call
signs most of the time.

I bet I am not alone in feeling this way and with the recent popularity of
CW coming back, I think there are a lot of guys who are new to CW who might
have participated if they could actually copy it :(

I bet it would not reduce the number of QSO's a single bit if you slowed
down to about 15 wpm, would probably get you more. I know that I would have
spent a few hours on the air if I had felt comfortable with the speeds.

Just a thought,

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Santa Net December 1

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 09:21 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369203-Santa-Net-December-1&goto=newpost

The Orange County Amateur Radio Club (NY) will be holding its 3rd annual
Santa Net on Saturday, December 1, from 2030 UTC to 2230 UTC on 3920 and
7200 (+/-10 kHz), locally on simplex on 147.550. Santa Net is held at
Adams Fairacre Farms on Route 300 in Newburgh, NY. OCARC Members in
appropriate holiday attire wander the store with HT's looking for kids who
want to talk to Santa, who makes a special stop in Newburgh to be with the
members of OCARC. Santa also talks to kids all over on the HF bands. All
kids talking to Santa will receive a QSL card. For those on HF, it will be
sent to the call sign of the person controlling the radio. If in the store
(where Santa will only be talking to kids on the radio), they will be given

a QSL card on the spot, along with some goodies supplied by Adams. The QSL cards will be mailed immediately after the event so they arrive in time for Christmas.

If there are 5 kids at a given location, Santa will send out a QSL card for each kid.

Contact w2trr at OCARC-NY dot ORG for information.

2344. eHam.net News for Thursday 22 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-22 23:05:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec516205fa5aecc04cf1d7e51@google.com>
Source record: 1461
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Signal Strong:

Posted: 22 Nov 2012 01:39 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29377

Grab your license and get communicating! Have you ever wanted to speak with an astronaut? Well you can! That is, if you have your amateur radio license. "You can talk to the astronauts on the International Space Station, when they're not tightening the nuts and bolts of course" says Max Brighton, the President of the Sunraysia Radio Group. And it's not just intergalactic travellers that you can talk to. Depending on the strength of your equipment, you can talk to people all over the world. The friendships start over the airwaves but then can progress face to face, with radio clubs all over Australia and the world meeting to talk signal strength.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #48:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:07 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29375

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by CX3AL, N4QX, NC1L, VU2DSI, The Weekly DX, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:07 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29374

This Week in Radiosport:

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FCC Seeks to Assign Entire Portion of 160M to Primary, Proposes LF Band:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:07 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29373

On Tuesday, November 20, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ET Docket No. 12-338) that proposes to amend Parts 1, 2, 74, 78, 87, 90 and 97 of the Commission's rules. Part 97 governs the Amateur Radio Service. These changes will implement allocation

decisions from the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-07) that concern those portions of the radio frequency spectrum between 108 MHz and 20.2 GHz and make certain updates to the rules in this frequency range.

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Three Hams Return to Earth from ISS:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:04 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29372

Shortly before 9 PM EST on Sunday, November 18 (0200 UTC Monday, November 19), a Soyuz spacecraft carrying Expedition 33 Commander Sunita Williams, KD5PLB, and Flight Engineers Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Aki Hoshide, KE5DNI, landed in the steppes of Kazakhstan, returning them safely to Earth from the International Space Station (ISS) after 127 days in space.

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Top Off the Years on Top Band in the ARRL 160 Meter Contest:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:03 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29371

While Solar Cycle 24 is making the high bands the focal point for HF operators, 160 meters -- Top Band -- is still chock full of DX. There's no better time to get on 160 meters than the ARRL 160 Meter Contest, November 30-December 2.

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Former 'Hows DX?' Conductor Rod Newkirk, W9BRD (SK):

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:03 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29370

Rod Newkirk, W9BRD/VA3ZBB, of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada -- who penned the QST column "How's DX?" from 1947-1978 -- passed away on Monday, November 19 after a long illness. Newkirk was credited with coining the term "Elmer," as well as for his humorous take on DX in his column, especially with limericks in his DX Hoggery and Poetry Depreciation Society and the accompanying cartoons of Jeeves by Phil "Gil" Gildersleeve, W1CJD (SK).

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Be a Star! Enter the Third Annual ARRL Video Contest:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:02 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29369

If you've ever wanted a way to show
the world how exciting Amateur Radio can be, here's your chance: The ARRL is sponsoring its Third Annual Video Contest! Here's a chance to put that video camera to use: Shoot a ham radio-related video and send it our way. If your video takes first, second or third place, we'll

post it on the ARRL website for everyone to see.

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ARRL Members in Hudson Division Elect New Director:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:01 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29368

On November 16, ballots were counted in the races for Director in the Hudson Division and for Director and Vice Director in the Northwestern Division. This year, there were only three contested races for Director or Vice Director in the five Divisions holding elections. In the Hudson Division, Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, defeated incumbent Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF, for the top slot in that Division. In the Northwestern Division, Jim Fenstermaker, K9JF, defeated William Balzarini, KL7BB, for Director, while James Pace, K7CEX, was elected Vice Director in a three-way race. Terms for Directors and Vice Directors begin at noon on January 1, 2013 and run for three years.

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Monte Simpson, K2MLS, Appointed ARRL Western Washington Section Manager:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 08:01 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29367

Monte Simpson, K2MLS, of Bremerton, has been appointed ARRL Western Washington Section Manager, effective December 31, 2012. Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, made the appointment after current Western Washington Section Manager Jim Pace, K7CEX, was elected as ARRL Northwestern Division Vice Director on November 16. Pace has served as Western Washington Section Manager since October 2007.

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Emergency Operating Center Activated; Ham Radio Volunteers Help:

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 01:20 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29366

By Monday morning Clatsop County's Emergency Management Division had partially activated its Emergency Operating Center on the fourth floor of the county building in Astoria. High winds were registering up and down the coast and it soon became apparent that nearby river flooding might be a real possibility. Emergency Management Coordinator Tiffany Brown received phone calls from her cellphone and county phone lines, gathering updates about Providence Seaside Hospital, which ran on a generator after its power went out and it canceled elective surgeries. Other calls reported incidents of road closures and power outages. The partial activation of the EOC notifies state government that additional first-responders may be needed if the situation worsens, or as Brown put it, the storm would have to "put to the test local resources." Oregon counties have a mutual-aid agreement, meaning that outlying counties can be contacted in the event of a full activation of the EOC to support the local resources that are exhausted.

The partial activation entails letting these outside emergency resources know ahead of time. Brown described it as putting them "actively on stand-by."

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3V, TUNISIA
Ashraf,KF5EYY, will join the WWDX CW Contest as SOABLP from the clubstation 3V8BB of the "Institute Superieur de L'Animation Pour la Jeunesse et la Culture". QSL via LX1NO, LoTW.
See also: http://www.justin.tv/kf5eyy and http://www.qsl.net/3v4-002

3W, VIETNAM
A group of Ukrainian HAMs (Serge,UU5WW, Paul,UU0JR, Serge,UT5JCW) will be QRV as 3W2J from Vung Tau from Nov 22-28, incl. WWDX CW on 7-28 MHz.
QSL via K2PF.

4K, AZERBAIJAN
Alim,4K6FO, will start in the SOAB class of the WWDX CW Contest.

5T, MAURITANIA
SP2EBG, SP3CYY, SP3GEM, SP6EQZ, SP6FXY, SP6IXF and 5T0JL will show up as 5T0SP in CW/SSB/digital modes on 160m-6m between Nov 24 and Dec 10.
The log will be uploaded to ClubLog. QSL via SP6FXY, LoTW.
See also: http://5t0sp.dxing.pl

5Z, KENYA
Sig,NV7E, be QRV as 5Z4EE from Nairobi in the WWDX CW Contest (SOABHP).
QSL via homecall, direct preferred but via bureau is ok as well.

6W, SENEGAL
Jeff,6W7/N1SNB, will be active prior to the contest next weekend.
QSL via N0TG.

7P, LESOTHO
The team of 7P8D meets at the airport in Johannesburg on the morning of Nov 21 and travels from there to Lesotho by car. They hope to arrive there at the same evening to have Nov 22/23 available for setting up their M/2 or M/M station ready for the WWDX CW Contest. They will work

also on the WARC bands already during contest time and will be active
with 4 stations through Sunday, Dec 2. Their main focus is on CW, but
they will be QRV also in RTTY and occasionally in SSB. The OPs are:
DJ3CQ, DL2MDU, DL8JJ, K5LBU, VA7DX, VE7MID, VE7XS, ZS2DL, ZS2DK, ZS6RJ.
Preferred frequencies:
CW: 1820, 3520, 7026, 10105, 14020, 18075, 21020, 24895, 28015 kHz
SSB: 1840, 3780, 7160, 14185, 18150, 21220, 24945, 28480 kHz
RTTY: 7038, 10138, 14085, 18102, 21085, 24922, 28080 kHz
QSL via ZS2DL, LotW, Clublog, OQRS.
See also: http://www.zs2dl.co.za/7P8D.html and
http://dl4maq.wordpress.com/category/7p8d-2012/

Gerry,EI7CC, has been spotted as 7P8CC in CW on 10m around 1300 UTC and
1730 UTC. Nothing is known about the length of his stay. QSL via EI7CC.

9J, ZAMBIA
During his 5th visit to Zambia Niko,S53A, will be QRV as 9J3A from the
Kafue National Park (WFF-9JFF-003, WWL KH35) from Nov 21-26 mainly in
the WWDX CW Contest running 100 watts into a SpiderBeam and Loops.
QSL via S57S, LoTW.

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA
Champ,9M2/E21EIC, is going to be active from Nov 23-27 incl. the WWDX.
QSL via E21EIC, unfortunately only direct; JAs via JR5XPG, no eQSLs.
See also: http://www.e21eic.net

The special event station 9M4SEA will be activated during the
40th SEANET Convention in Kuala Lumpur from Nov 23-27. QSL via 9W2TKK.
See also: http://2012sea.net

BY, CHINA
Jack,BA4ALC, plans to use the clubstation BY5CD during the WWDX CW in
the SOABHP category. QSL via BD4HF.

C5, GAMBIA
The "Radio Syd Contest Group" will join the M/M category of the WWDX CW
as C5A from Banjul for the third time. This time they are supported by
Jiri,OK1DO, Zdenek,OK1DSZ, Petr,OK1FFU, Martin,OK1HGM, Karel,OK1JKT,
Vlada,OK1NY, Jiri,OK1RI, Vita,OK5MM, Joe,OM5AW, and Norbert,OM6NM.
QSL preferably direct via OM2FY, bureau is ok.

CN, MOROCCO
The special event station 5G12ITD is working in all modes on all bands
until Dec 16 to celebrate the International Day of Tolerance (Nov 16).
QSL via RW6HS, unfortunately only direct (best with registered mail).

CO, CUBA, NA-015
Carlos,CO2CW, Winston,CO2WF, Juan-Carlos,CO2JD, and Manuel,CO2MS,
will use the special call T40C on 80m-10m in der M/S category of the
upcoming WWDX CW Contest. QSL unfortunately only direct, see QRZ.com.

EA, SPAIN
Miguel,EA5ZD, will join the WWDX CW Contest as SOSB/LP on 10m.

EA9, CEUTA AND MELILLA
Con,DF4SA, Frank,DL2CC, Zoli,HA1AG, Lacy,HA3NU, and Mark,N5OT, will be
a wanted multiplier as ED9Z. They will sign EA9/homecall outside of the
contest. QSLs for ED9Z via HA1AG, all others via homecalls.

EU, BELARUS
Valentin,EU1AA, is working in WWDX Contests since 1952.
QSLs direct to himself or direct via W3HNK.

EY, TAJIKISTAN
Nodir,EY8MM, will work on 10m single band in the WWDX.
QSL via K1BV, no eQSL. See also: http://www.ey8mm.com

FK, NEW CALEDONIA, OC-032
Mirek,FK/VK6DXI (aka SP5IXI, 9M8DX, 9V1XE...), is active on the bands
until mid December. QSL via homecall.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
Sergey,R4WAA/HI7, is working on 40m-10m from Nov 21-30 including the
WWDX CW Contest. QSL via homecall.

HR, HONDURAS
Hiro,JA6WFM, will be QRV again as HQ2N (SOSB 10m) from San Pedro Sula.
QSL direct via EA5GL, LoTW.

J3, GRENADA, NA-024
Tom,VE3RSA, hopes to make many QSOs as J34K in the WWDX. QSL via LoTW.

JA, JAPAN
The special event station 8J5SSS is working until March 31, 2013, from
the 55th Saijo-shi Sangyo Sai Industry Festival in the Ehime prefecture
on Shikoku Island (AS-075, JCC 3806). QSL via bureau.

The special event station 8N1CJ marks 40 years of diplomatic relations
between Japan and China until Dec 31. QSL via bureau.

JX, JAN MAYEN, EU-022
Svein,LA9JKA, is on Olonkin Base on Jan Mayen (EU-022, WLOTA 1454,
Loc IQ50rx) since Mar 21 and is working as JX9JKA until April 11, 2013.
QSL direct via LA9JKA, LoTW, no eQSL!

KH2, GUAM, OC-026
The Guam Contest Club members Toshinobu,JI3ERV, Hiroyuki,JG7PSJ,
Mikiawa,JR7OMD, and Nozomu,JE8KKX, will join the WWDX CW Contest
as AH2R from Tumon (OC-026, USI GU003S, WLOTA L-0064).
QSL via JH7QXJ, bureau is ok (not via KH2 bureau), LoTW.

KH6, HAWAII, OC-019
Al,NH7A/F5VHJ, will be QRV as NH7A (SOAB HP).
QSL via bureau to F5VHJ or LoTW.

KP2, US VIRGIN ISLANDS, NA-106
Brad,K7EUG/NP2, is working in SSB and digital modes on 40m-10m from
St. Croix (NA-106) until Nov 27. QSL via homecall.

LX, LUXEMBURG
Sandy,DL1QQ, Helmut,DK6WL, Gerd,DF9TS, Mike,DF3VM, Frank,PA4N,
Philippe,LX2A, and maybe some more will take part in the WWDX CW with
a new antenna setup at LX7I. Reports to compare with other EU stations
are welcome via lx2a@gmx.net. QSL via LX2A.
See also: http://www.lx2a.com/net

OY, FAROE ISLANDS, EU-018
Carsten,OY1CT, will join the WWDX CW Contest as SOHP (without 160m).
QSL via bureau.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
Fred,PA0FAW, will be QRV as PG100NOM in CW, SSB and some digital from
the "De Hoge Veluwe National Park" (WFF-PA-005) from Dec 1-28 using
a 3 ele yagi for 10m/15m/20m. QSL via homecall, SWL reports welcome.

T8, PALAU, OC-009
Naotsugu,JA1MML, is working as T88NS from Palau (OC-009) from Nov 21-26
including the WWDX CW Contest (SOAB).

TA, TURKEY
A Bulgarian group with LZ1GC, LZ1SDR, LZ2UW, LZ2NW, LZ2JE, LZ2NG,
LZ3FN and LZ5VK will be QRV as TC2M from Turkey in the WWDX CW.
They will sign TC2W before and after the contest. QSLs via LZ1NK.
See also: http://tc3a.alle.bg

TG, GUATEMALA
Martin,DL5RMH, is working in holiday style from Guatemala City signing
TG9/KF9LSG in CW and RTTY on HF until Jan 13. He uses an Icom 706 MKII,
a Cushcraft R7 and will join the WWDX CW Contest (SOABLP) as TG9IDX.
QSLs via DL5RMH. See also: http://www.dl5rmh.de

TI, COSTA RICA
Alan,K0AV, uses TI5A in the WWDX CW Contest. QSL via TI5KD or LoTW.

V4, ST KITTS AND NEVIS, NA-104
Andy,N2NT, will join the WWDX as V47NT if he gets the station up again.
QSL via W2RQ.

VE, CANADA
Victor,VA2WDQ, will sign VE2EKA as SOAB-LP assisted. QSL via VA2WDQ.

VK, AUSTRALIA
Thomas,OZ1AA, announced to join the WWDX as VK8GM. QSL via VK8GM.

Nick,VK4FMAG, is the only HAM on Magnetic Island (OC-171). He uses only
little power and a rotary dipole 4m high. He can be found at 21250 kHz.
QSL unfortunately only direct.

VU, INDIA
WPX hunters can look forward to a full series of the rare AU prefix.

Following special stations will be activated from Nov 23 until Dec 7
to celebrate the 152th birthday of the Indian scientist Acharya
Jagadish Chandra Bose:
Call OP QSL via
AU1JCB VU2UR VU2SMNS
AU2JCB VU2DSI VU2DSI direct
AU3JCB VU2JAU VU2JAU direct
AU4JCB VU2HFR VU2SMN direct
AU5JCB Multi VU2SMN direct
AU6JCB VU2LR VU2LR
AU7JCB VU2SMN VU2SMN direct
AU8JCB VU2ACK VU2ACK
AU9JCB VU2SMN VU2SMN direct
AU0JCB VU3DJQ VU3DJQ
See also: http://au9jcb.angelfire.com

Prasad,VU2PTT, will join the WWDX CW as SOABHP. QSL via bureau, LoTW.

XV, VIETNAM
Retu,OH4MDY, will be QRV again as XV2RS mainly in digital modes, SSB
and CW on 6m-20m between Nov 23 and Dec 10. He will be connected to
the HA6DX cluster and skeds can be arranged via e-mail.
QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct (QRZ.com).

XW, LAOS
After staying in Sihanoukville (XU7HRN) Naim,OD5LN, is expected to show
up from Laos until Nov 24. The callsign is not known yet.
QSL via OD5LN. See also: http://www.od5ln.net

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Ilian,LZ1CNN, will be QRV as T6LG from Afghanistans second biggest city
Kandahar during the WWDX CW Contest (SOAB/LP). QSL via LZ1ZF.

YI, IRAQ
The Iraq Amateur Radio Society clubstation YI1IRQ is back on the air
since Nov 14. The last valid QSO was made in August 2008. All other
QSOs in the meantime were made by pirates.
See also: http://www.iraqi-ars.org

Z6, KOSOVO (WAE)
Mario,Z6/S56A, will join the WWDX from Gracanica in the SOAB/LP class.
QSL direct via homecall.

ZP, PARAGUAY
Manu,ZP9MCE, announced to show up on 10m single band in the WWDX CW.
QSL via EA5ZD. See also: http://www.zp9mce.blogspot.de

ZS, SOUTH AFRICA
Bernie,ZS4TX, works in both the RTTY Contest and the WWDX CW Contest.
The log will be uploaded to LoTW.

HAM RADIO EXHIBITION: The Associacao de Radioamadores da Vila de Moscavide
organizes an exhibition in Lissabon on Nov 25.

See also: http://www.arvm.org/fr2012.html

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 24/25 CQ WWDX Contest, CW

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Jyrki,EA8/OH6CS, will be QRV in CW/SSB on HF/6m
from Gran Canaria (DIE S-005, WFF EAFF-078, WLOTA 0969, Loc IL28DD)
from Nov 22-28. During the WWDX CW Contest he will sign EA8CUU.
QSLs for both calls only direct via OH6CS.
See also: http://personal.inet.fi/cool/sierra/ea8.htm

AF-018, IH9, Pantelleria Island: Emil,IZ1GAR, is returning to Pantelleria
(IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WLOTA 0041) signing IH9R from Nov 22-25.
QSL only direct via IZ1GAR.

AS-013, 8Q, Maledives: Claudio,HB9OAU, will stay on Maayafushi Island,
Ari North atoll (WLOTA 3911) from Nov 27 until Dec 11. Listen for
8Q7AU in SSB only on 80m-10m. QSL via HB9OAU (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.hb9oau.ch

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Olaf,DL4HG, and Holger,DL5XAT, are working on the
HF bands as 9H3OG (Olaf) and 9H3TX (Holger) from Gozo (MIA MM-004,
WLOTA 0046) from Nov 21-26. They will sign 9H3TX in the WWDX CW.
QSLs via homecalls (bureau/direct/LoTW).

NA-001, C6, Great Bahama Bank group: Brian,ND3F, will be QRV as C6AQQ from
New Providence Island (WLOTA 1115) from Nov 22-28. His favourite bands
are 160m, 80m, 17m and 12m and he will join the WWDX CW as well.
QSL via ND3F (bureau/direct).

NA-023, VP2V, British Virgin Islands: Bob,VP2V/AA7V, and Art,VP2V/N3DXX,
will be QRV from Tortola in all modes on 160m-10m from Nov 21 until
Dec 3. They will sign VP2V/AA7V during the WWDX CW. QSLs via homecalls.

NA-100, V2, Antigua and Barbuda: Bud,AA3B, will be active again as V26K from
Saint George Parish on Antigua (WLOTA 1118, Loc FK97bc) working on HF
in CW only from Nov 22-26 (incl. WWDX). QSL via AA3B.

NA-105, FS/PJ7, St. Martin: Pete,VE3IKV, plans to become active in CW/SSB
on 10m and 6m signing FS/VA3RA from St Martin (DIFO FS-001, WLOTA 0383)
from Nov 23-28.
He will take part in the WWDX CW as PJ7/VA3RA from the Dutch side
Sint Maarten (WLOTA 0711). QSLs for both calls via VE3IKV (d).

NA-134, OX, Greenlands Coastal Islands North West: Graham,G4MFX, has to work
on Aasiaat Island from Nov 20-26. He plans to work as OX/G4MFX only in
SSB with his FT817D (5 watts) during his spare time. QSL via G4MFX.

OC-010, V6, Pohnpei Island: Shoji,JA7HMZ, and Masa,JA7EPO, will be QRV as
V63DX and V63EPO from Pohnpei (Loc QJ96cx) from Nov 23-28. They will
sign V6A in the WWDX CW Contest.
QSLs for V6A and V63DX via JA7HMZ (d) and for V63EPO via JA7EPO (d).
Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. See also: http://v63dx.pupu.jp
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Another activity from Pohnpei has been announced by Masatuki,JH1DVG.
He will be QRV as V63JX on 40m/20m/15m and 10m from Nov 23-26.
QSL via JH1DVG (bureau/direct).

OC-026, KH2, Guam: Yoshi,KH2/JK2VOC, will be QRV from Guam (USi GU003S,
WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064) from Nov 23-27 including the WWDX CW.
He is working in CW and SSB on all bands before and after the contest.
QSL via homecall (d).

OC-036, ZL, North Island: The "East Coast Contesters" Lee,ZL2AL, Mike,ZL2MY,
Gary,ZL2IFB, Holger,ZL3IO, John,ZL1BYZ, and Peter,ZL2LF, will be QRV
as ZM4T from Hawke's Bay (WLOTA 0069) during the WWDX.
QSL only direct via ZL2AL. For Paypal QSL see also: http://www.zm4t.com

OC-086, KH0, Northern Mariana Islands: Jussi-Pekka,OH6RX, and Esa,OH7WV,
have rented the Saipan Rental Shack (USi NI002S, WLOTA 1333) from
Nov 22-27 and will be QRV as AH0DX in the WWDX CW.
They will use KH0/homecall before and after the contest.
QSLs for AH0DX via WX8C, all others via homecalls.
See also: http://saipan.rental-shack.com/english

IOTA activities in the WWDX CW Contest

The WWDX CW Contest will take place on Nov 24/25 and following stations
announced their IOTA activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Luis,EA8AY, will be QRV as EF8X from Santa Cruz
on Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF). QSL via W2GR.
See also: http://www.ea8ay.com/ef8x

Mauri,OH2BYS, will be QRV as EF8S on 160m. QSL via OH2BYS.

AF-086, D4, Windward Islands: D4C will join from Sao Vicente Island.
QSL via IZ4DPV (bureau/direct).

AS-004, 5B/ZC, Cyprus: Jack,R2AA, will be QRV as P3N in the contest.
QSL via RW3RN (bureau/direct).

EU-002, OH0, Aland Islands: Tomi,OH6EI, will show up again as OH0Z from
Riddarklint Hill on Fasta Aland (WFF OHFF-037, WLOTA 1373, Loc JP90xi).
See also: http://oh0z.net

EU-003, CU2, Eastern group: Kim,OH6KZP, works as CR2X from Ribeira Grande.
QSL via OH2BH (bureau/direct).

EU-013, GJ/MJ, Jersey: GJ2A will be QRV from Jersey.
QSL direct via K2WR (USA) or GJ3DVC. See: http://www.jerseyars.com

EU-019, R1FJ, Franz Josef Land: Eugene,UA4RX, plans to take part as RI1FJ
from Heiss Island (WFF RFF-180). QSL only direct via UA2FM.
Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and OQRS will be set up as well.

EU-021, TF, Iceland: Siggi,TF3CW, will be QRV as TF2CW from the home QTH
of Georg,TF2LL, in Borgarnes (WLOTA 2975, Loc HP94hr).
QSL only direct via LX1NO.

Phil,G3SWH, Tom,N3ZZ, Andy,UA3AB, Mike,WA6O, Oskar,TF3DC, Yngvi,TF3Y,
and Thor,TF4M, will join as TF4X from Otradalur (WLOTA 2975/Loc HP85FP)
QSLs only direct via G3SWH. See: http://www.g3swh.org.uk/tf4x.html

EU-023, 9H, Malta group: Zoli,HA5PP, is QRV again as 9H3PP from Qawra/Malta
(MIA MM-001, WLOTA 1113, Loc JM75fw). QSL via HA5PP.

EU-025, IT9, Sicily Island: Members of the Arcibessi Contest Team will show
up as II9P from Ragusa on Sicily (IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107, WLOTA 1362).
QSL via IT9CHU (direct/LoTW). See also: http://ii9p.com

EU-114, GU/MU, Guernsey: Dick,GU4CHY, will join the contest from Castel on
Guernsey (WLOTA 0013). QSL only direct (see QRZ.com).

NA-016, ZF, Cayman Islands: John,K6AM, Bob,K5WA, Robert,K5PI, and Dave,N6AN,
will be QRV as ZF1A from Savannah, Grand Cayman Island (WLOTA 1042).
QSL via K6AM (bureau/direct/LoTW).

NA-099, KP4, Puerto Rico: NP3X is the contest call of Jaime,WP3A, in the
WWDX. QSL only direct to NP3O or LoTW. See: http://kp2b.net/stx/welcome

NA-103, VP2M, Montserrat: Alan,N3AD, will be QRV as VP2MMM from Montserrat.
QSL via W3HNK.

NA-106, KP2, US Virgin Islands: Yuri,N2TTA, activates KP2MM in Christiansted
on St. Croix (USi VI-002S, WLOTA 2477) in the WWDX CW. QSL via N2TTA.
See also: http://www.n2tta.info

Another activity is planned by Robert,K3EST, Fred,K9VV and Philip,KT3Y.
They will join the WWDX as KP2M from Virgin Island (USi VI-002S,
WLOTA 2477). QSL only via AI4U.

OC-001, VK, Australia: Bernd,VK2IA, plans to take part in the WWDX as VK6AA
from Perth (WLOTA 1520). QSL via DK2BJ (bureau/direct).

OC-026, KH2, Guam: NH2T will be QRV from Guam (USi GU003S, WFF KFF-110,
WLOTA 0064). QSL via W2YC (bureau/direct).

Joel,KG6DX, announced to join the WWDX from Latte Heights on Guam
(USi GU003S, WFF KFF-110, WLOTA 0064). QSL only direct or via LoTW.

OC-133, 9M6, Sabah's Coastal Islands: Satoshi "Saty",JE1JKL, will be QRV as
9M6NA from Labuan Island (WLOTA 0456). QSL via JE1JKL.
See also: http://jsfc.org/je1jkl

SA-036, P4, Aruba: Andy,AE6Y, plans to join the WWDX again as P49Y from
Aruba (WLOTA 0033). QSL via AE6Y (bureau/direct/LoTW).

W2GD wants to produce a big signal as P40W from Aruba (WLOTA 0033,
Loc FK52AL). QSL via N2MM (d). From 2013 only LoTW.

SA-014, PY0/S, St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks: PT0S will be QRV in the WWDX CW
as well. QSL see also: http://pt0s.com/qsl.html

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22Nov-26Nov JW9OI 1806
14Nov-21Nov JU850AA.. 1806
-11Apr JX9JKA 1773/1807 *
-Mar K6H 1803
-27Nov K7EUG/NP2 1807 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
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22Nov-27Nov KH0/OH7WV 1807 *
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24Nov-25Nov NH2T 1807 *
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-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
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24Nov/25Nov OY1CT 1807 *
-Nov OZ/KH6DXX 1804
-31Dec P3EU 1786
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18Nov-26Nov P4/R5GA 1806
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18Nov-24Nov PJ7XK.. 1806
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24Nov-25Nov TF4X 1807 *
-13Jan TG9/KF9LSG.. 1807 *
24Nov/25Nov TI5A 1807 *
-2015? TJ3SN (?) 1806
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24Nov-25Nov TO7A 1806

22Nov-26Nov V26K 1807 *
24Nov/25Nov V47NT 1807 *
23Nov-28Nov V63DX 1807 *
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23Nov-26Nov V63JX 1807 *
24Nov-25Nov V6A 1807 *
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Resident VK4FMAG 1807 *
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Nov XV1LC.. 1804
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Unknown Z81A.. 1798
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-Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
24Nov/25Nov ZP9MCE 1807 *
24Nov/25Nov ZS4TX 1807 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8BAE via K5XK (d)
3B8CZ via NI5DX (B)
3V8BB via LX1NO (d), (L)
3W2J via K2PF (d)
4K6FO QRZ.COM
5G12ITD via RW6HS (d)
5T0SP via SP6FXY (B), (L), OQRS
5Z4EE via NV7E (B)
6W7/N1SNB via N0TG (d)
6Y3M via VE3NE
7P8CC via EI7CC (B)
7P8D via ZS2DL ,(L), Clublog, OQRS
7Z1TT via NI5DX (B)
8J5SSS (B)
8N1CJ (B)
8Q7AU via HB9OAU (B)
9A203ND via 9A3ND (B)
9H3OG via DL4HG (B)
9H3PP via HA5PP (B)
9H3TX via DL5XAT (B)
9J3A via S57S (B), (L)
9M2/OH1VR via OH1VR (d)
9Y4/DL7VOG via DL7VOG (B)
9M2/E21EIC via E21EIC (d), OQRS; JAs via JR5XPG
9M4SEA via 9W2TKK
9M6NA via JE1JKL (B), (L)
A31KJ via JA1KJW (B)
A31VE via JA8VE (B)
A65CI via IZ8CLM (B)
AH2R via JH7QXJ (B), (L)
AU0JCB via VU3DJQ
AU1JCB via VU2SMNS
AU2JCB via VU2DSI (d)

AU3JCB via VU2JAU (d)
AU4JCB via VU2SMN (d)
AU5JCB via VU2SMN (d)
AU6JCB via VU2LR
AU7JCB via VU2SMN (d)
AU8JCB via VU2ACK
AU9JCB via VU2SMN (d)
BY5CD via BD4HF (B)
C5A via OM2FY (B)
C6AQQ via ND3F (B)
C6AXY via W9XY (B), (L)
CO4SM via HA3JB (d)
CO6LE via EA5GL (d)
CO8WOH via RW6HS (d)
CR2X via OH2BH (B)
CR6LH via CT1GZB (B)
D44TWO via DF2WO (B), (L)
D4C via IZ4DPV (B)
DU1/OE3SGU via OE3SGU (nur LoTW)
E51KBR via ZL2KBR (B), (L), eQSL
EA3GYK via DK7TM (B)
EA8/DL3BC/p via DL3BC (B), (L), eQSL
EA8/OH6CS via OH6CS (d)
EA8CUU via OH6CS (d)
EA9/DF4SA via DF4SA (B)
EA9/DL2CC via DL2CC (B)
EA9/HA1AG via HA1AG (B)
EA9/HA3NU via HA3NU (B)
EA9/N5OT via N5OT (B)
ED5URR via EA5URR
ED9Z via HA1AG (B)
EF8S via OHBYS (B)
EF8X via W2GR (B)
EG1MOU via EA1URO
EG5ERC via EA7HBC (B)
EG5MSV via EA5URR
EU1AA (d), via W3HNK (d)
EY8MM via K1BV (B)
FK/VK6DXI via VK6DXI (B)
FK8DD via LZ1JZ (B)
FS/VA3RA via VE3IKV (d)
G3XLQ via AF4K
GJ2A via K2WR (d) (USA); rest of the world via GJ3DVC (d)
GU4CHY via (d) QRZ.com
GX4SRC via G3SVK (B), eQSL
H44MS via DL2GAC (B)
H44RK via NR6M (B), (L)
HA/OM0AM via OM0AM (B)
HB9EME via EA7FTR
HI3/KL7JR via KL7JR (d)

HI7/R4WAA via R4WAA (B)
HV5PUL via IW0DJB (B)
HQ2N via EA5GL (d), (L)
IH9R via IZ1GAR (d)
II9P via IT9CHU (d), (L)
J28NC via F5RQQ (B)
J34K (L)
J6/K7KMR via K7KMR (B)
J75Z via K7ZZ (d)
JU850CS via JT1CS (B)
JU850KAA via JT1KAA (B)
JX9JKA via LA9JKA (d), (L)
K7EUG/NP2 via K7EUG (B)
KG6DX via KG6DX (d), (L)
KH0/OH6RX via OH6RX (B)
KH0/OH7WV via OH7WV (B)
KH2/JK2VOC via JK2VOC (d)
KH6LC via WA6WPG (L), (d)
KH7Y via EA5GL (d)
KP2M via AI4U
KP2MM via N2TTA
KP3A via W3HNK
LX/PA3ERA via PA3ERA (B)
LX/PA3EZC/p via PA3EZC (eQSL)
LX7I via LX2A (B)
LZ6K via LZ2PL
NH2T via W2YC (B)
NH7A via F5VHJ (B), (L)
NP3X via NP3O (d), (L)
OH0Z via W0MM (B)
OM/HA5RT via HA5RT
OT4A via ON4AEK (L), eQSL
P29VCX via SM6CVX (B)
P3N via RW3RN (B)
P4/VE7QC via VE7QC
P40W via N2MM (d)
P49Y via AE6Y (B), (L)
PA/ON2KMJ/p via ON2KMJ (B)
PG100NOM via PA0FAW (B)
PJ7/VA3RA via VE3IKV (d)
PR2P via PY2OE (d)
PT0S via HA7RY (B), (L)
OX/G4MFX via G4MFX (B)
OY1CT (d)
PT2ZXR via DJ0XR (B), eQSL
R1943S via RN4ABD (B)
R4WAA/HI7 via R4WAA (B)
RI1FJ via UA2FM (d)
SC2012ARDF via SM6AGR
SN2012UP via SQ9PPO (B)

SO5O via SP5KVW (B)
SU1IE via HA3JB (d)
T30TT via W7JET (B), (L), eQSL
T40C (d) QRZ.COM
T6LG via LZ1ZF (B)
T88NS via JA1MML (B)
T88ON via JA3JND (B)
TC2M via LZ1NK (B)
TC2W via LZ1NK (B)
TF2CW via LX1NO (d)
TF4X via G3SWH (d)
TG9/KF9LSG via DL5RMH (B)
TG9IDX via DL5RMH (B)
TI5A via TI5KD (d), (L)
TM2VD via F8DFO (B)
V26K via AA3B (B)
V47NT via W2RQ (B)
V63DX via JA7HMZ (d)
V63EPO via JA7EPO (d)
V63JX via JH1DVG (B)
V6A via JA7HMZ (d)
V84SMD via IK2VUC (B), (L)
VE2EKA via VA2WDQ (B)
VK2IA via DK2BJ (B), (L), (*)
VK2IA via DK2BJ (*), (B), (L), eQSL
VP2MYL via DL7AFS (B), (L)
VK4FMAG (d)
VK6AA via DK2BJ (B), (L), (*)
VK8GM (B)
VK8VJ via DK2BJ (B), (L), (*)
VK9AA via DK2BJ (B), (L), (*)
VK9AA/9 via DK2BJ (B), (L), (*)
VP2MMM via W3HNK (d)
VP2V/AA7V via AA7V (d), (L)
VP2V/N3DXX via N3DXX (d), (L)
VP8DLB via 2M1DHG (d)
VU2PTT (B), (L)
W0V via KB0NMQ (d)
XL3A via VE3AT (B)
XQ7HL via CE3AA (B)
XV1X via RW6HS (d)
XV2RS via OH4MDY (d), (QRZ.com)
YI1IRQ (B)
YU100SAF via YU1AVQ (B), eQSL
Z6/S56A via S56A (d)
ZF1A via K6AM (B), (L)
ZP9MCE via EA5ZD
ZS4TX (L)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: TT8TT (via GDXF QSL service)

QSLs arrived bureau: 3XY1D (DL7UFR), 5X1NH (G3RWF), 9L1NH (G3RWF),
9Q0HQ/6 (K3IRV), A65BM (W4JS), A71M, C5YK (ON7YK),
FG4NN (NI5DX), FS/F5JSD (GlobalQSL), J79WI (WI9WI),
KH2L (W3HNK!!), T70A (GlobalQSL), TI5/KI7Y,
TJ3IC (F5LGE), V26K (AA3B), VP6T (G3TXF January 2012),
ZD7XF (G3TXF March 2012!), ZD8D (DL9HO), ZX5SPM (SP9PT)

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2346. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 22 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-23 06:37:54 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303349e3270f0b04cf213e0e@google.com>
Source record: 1463
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio club holds technical class - Hometownlife.com

Posted: 22 Nov 2012 06:20 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFiMePo7cG-cZtZ-plUpD9oe_ixdQ&url=http://www.hometownlife.com/article/20121122/NEWS24/211220555

Amateur radio club holds technical class
Hometownlife.com
The Garden City Amateur Radio Club is holding a technician class for those interested in learning more about the Ham Radio hobby. The class is a first level program that will introduce participants to the world of amateur radio. The eight-week class ...

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Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 08:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEDJhdm1tPNKvIMfou-f4V2_-xClg&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/amateurradio-emergency-services-disasters-74616

Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters
Electronic Design (blog)
The second morning after Hurricane Sandy hit the East Coast seems like a good time for Electronic Design readers to think about ham radio and emergency response issues. I got involved in these issues myself when my neighbor, Dave, told me about his ...
In Brief ...Chinook Observer

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Ham radio fan saves U.S. bacon by spotting Sandy mayday call - The Sun

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 06:53 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2AMMUlTq4YM9VYE5LHJ1zyDirkg&url=http://www.thesun.co.uk/sol/homepage/irishsun/irishsunnews/4647214/Ham-radio-fan-saves-US-bacon-by-spotting-Sandy-mayday-call.html

The Sun
Ham radio fan saves U.S. bacon by spotting Sandy mayday call
The Sun
Amateur radio fan Benny Young, from Tyrone, was tuning in on his hut-based

hobby when he heard a mayday call from a plane over the Atlantic. But the United Airlines captain, en route from Dublin to Boston, wasnt able to reach flight controllers in ...
Derg man saves US flight from SandyU.TV

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Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios - Carlsbad Current Argus

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 09:00 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE96rocbzE8H9x41Vb937emWhKTtg&url=http://www.currentargus.com/ci_21977281/mentor-guides-nmsu-engineering-students-they-construct-amateur

Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios
Carlsbad Current Argus
Daniel Cooper and Thomas Buckner, also electrical engineering seniors, built their own ham radios, as well. Hassall has more than 50 years of experience assembling ham radios. "I have been interested in amateur radio all my life," he said. "My mother ...

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Excited kids go on 'space talk' with Sunita - Times of India

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 05:29 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHR3mlVnxhkzDxj2xE6IBzNh0EzJw&url=http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Excited-kids-go-on-space-talk-with-Sunita/articleshow/17250710.cms

IBNLive
Excited kids go on space talk with Sunita
Times of India
"The talk was arranged using Telebridge mode as the HAM radio was linked to Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS). ARISS team member Keith Paugh moderated the station at an Italian HAM station from where the link was established ...
City kids quiz Sunita WilliamsAhmedabad Newsline

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2347. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1841 - November 23 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-23 10:00:22 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121123100003.15F2C33C23@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1464
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1841 - November 23 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1841 with a release date of November 23, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Hams in China develop a new digital protocol based on their own written language while mystery signals are being heard on the High Frequency bands coming from that nation. Find out the details are on these stories and more on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1841 coming your way right now.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: NEW CHINESE DATA MODE CP-16 ANNOUNCED

China makes news again this week with word that hams in that nation have developed their own new data mode. One based on characters in the Chinese alphabet. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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Up until now, most amateur radio data modes have been based around the English alphabet. The problem is that does not work well for languages that are built around graphic characters rather than letters. Because of this the Chinese Radio Amateurs Club has been working since 2011 on a project to develop a new data mode called CP-16, which stands for Chinese character Pattern of 16 x 16 dot-matrixes.

To achieve the goal of allowing easy communication at very low signal to noise ratio, CP-16 is designed to directly transmit the graphic image of Chinese a character one line at a time at about 10 milliseconds per line but adjustable according to propagation and other conditions. This makes the total transmission speed of 2 to 5 characters per second, which is suitable for real-time reading.

To make the system work, CP-16 uses 16 on-off keyed audio carriers spaced at 17 Hz intervals, with the total bandwidth under 400 Hz. A CP-16 message can be received by any Software Defined Receiver or the combination of an ordinary SSB receiver and a computer equipped with any type of S-D-R audio analyzing software that produces the traditional waterfall display. The text will be directly shown on the waterfall graph. Designers say that the human brain can then easily filter out all sorts of noise and correctly pick out the character.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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A paper on the work was presented by the Chinese Radio Amateurs Club to the International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 conference held recently in Vietnam. It can be seen at tinyurl.com/CP16-data. (IARU Region 3)

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INTRUDER WATCH: MYSTERY CHINESE SIGNALS BEING HEARD ON HF BANDS

Wolfgang Hadel, DK2OM, who is the IARU Region 1 Monitoring System coordinator reports that there are some strange signals coming from China and making their homes on various parts of the Amateur Service spectrum. DK2OM says that since October 25th hams have been hearing from mysterious signals on 7, 14, 21 and 21.010 MHz. He notes that they are also audible in the shortwave spectrum at 15, 18, 19 and 20 MHz as well.

DK2OM says that initially the A3E signals sounded like grunt or cow mooing. Now reports are that thy have become very strong multi-tone signals with a carrier and both sidebands and heard every morning. He speculates that this night become kind of special kind of encrypted broadcast or a new generation of Over the Horizon radar but at the moment its actual purpose is unknown.

For further details visit www.iarums-r1.org/ and look under "Latest Intruder News". There you can also find a link to a recording of this new intruder to the High Frequency bands. (IARU-R1)

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INTRUDER WATCH: RUSSIAN TAXIS ON 15 METERS

And here's a rather strange one. A taxi dispatch system seems to have set up shop on 15 Meters in Russia. This as DK2OM confirms a report of a taxi company in the Russian Federation is transmitting FM around the clock on 21.404.2 MHz. He says you can often hear a female voice organizing the business. (IARU-R1)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NASA PHONESAT COMING SOON TO HAM RADIO

Scientists at NASA's Ames Research Center have built the most affordable ham band satellite to date. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Embee, KB3TZD, has the details:

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The $3,500 orbital device is a cubesat the size of a coffee cup that uses an off-the-shelf Nexus One smartphone as a central processor and an inexpensive off the shelf radio for communications with the ground.

Called PhoneSat 1, the tiny bird is scheduled to launch by the end of this year. Once on-orbit it will transmit back photos of Earth on an amateur radio band for 10 days, or until the battery dies.

Subsequent iterations will be capable of much more. For example, PhoneSat 2.0 will have a two-way S-band radio transponder which most satellites use to communicate with the ground and solar panels for extended life.

More on PhoneSat 1 is on-line at tinyurl.com/phonesat-one. An overview of the entire NASA PhoneSat mission can be found at tinyurl.com/phone-sat-project. At airtime, exact operating frequencies for these tiny birds has not been announced.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heather Embee, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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We will have more space related ham radio news later on in this weeks newscast. (CGC, W7RNA, AI9Q)

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ENFORCEMENT: US AND MEXICO JOIN FORCES TO COUNTER CROSS BORDER TRAFFICKING OF STOLEN MOBILE DEVICES

Its going to get a lot harder to activate a stolen smart prone or other broadband device in both the United States or Mexico. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski has announced the signing of a new bilateral agreement with Mexican Communications Under-Secretary Hector Olavarria Tapia. This to combat the theft and cross-border trafficking of mobile devices between the United States and Mexico.

The agreement builds further on the FCC's `PROTECTS Initiative', and the recent participation of U.S. and Mexican mobile providers in an international stolen device database. This database will prevent mobile devices stolen in U.S. cities from being re-activated in Mexico, and stolen Mexican devices being re-activated in the U.S. market. U.S. carriers were able to join the database from October 31st.

But it does not end there. The agreement also commits the FCC and Mexico's Secretariat of Communications and Transport to extend their inter-agency cooperation to crack down on the international trafficking of stolen mobile devices through a series of new action steps using technology and transparency. Among other measures, Chairman Genachowski and Under-Secretary Olavarr&#65533;a agreed that the respective agencies will closely track, analyze, and report progress in preventing mobile device theft.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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Both the United States and Mexican telecommunications agencies will also develop and share best practices with respect to theft prevention and consumer education. (FCC)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KM6DF repeater serving Santa Maria, California

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RESCUE RADIO: DEMOCRATIC LAWMAKERS WANT HEARING ON HURRICANE SANDY COMMS FAILURES

A group of top Democrats on the House Energy and Commerce Committee is calling for a hearing to be held on the effect Hurricane Sandy had on the reliability of Internet, mobile, telephone and other communications networks. This after the massive storm whipped across the East Coast.

In a letter sent to committee chairman Representative Fred Upton and Communications and Technology sub-panel chairman Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI, the Democrats emphasized that network outages put lives at risk and noted that the storm knocked out 25 percent of cell towers in the affected areas. They argue that a hearing would let lawmakers examine vulnerabilities found in wireless and mobile networks during the storm and help with preparation for the next one. The lawmakers said they also want to examine the performance of wireless networks during and after the storm. (The Hill)

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RADIO LAW: ZONECASTING TO BE TRIED ON THE FM BAND IF FCC SAYS OK

Something new may soon be coming to the FM broadcast band in the United States. This if a proposed system called ZoneCasting proves out its proposed technology.

ZoneCasting is the result of research and development by a company known as Geo-Broadcast Solutions. It proposes to use a series of booster transmitters to give FM radio stations the ability to divide their coverage areas into geographic zones and "geo-target" their advertising and programming. Geo-Broadcast Solutions says its ZoneCasting system uses GPS and mobile broadband technologies to slice up the FM signal but avoid interference via a single-frequency network made up of FM boosters.

To allow the system to work, the company has asked the FCC to modify its current rule that prohibits booster stations from originating programming. A booster operates on the same frequency as an FM station's main channel and is used to improve signal within the station's coverage contour.

The company and Harris are partnering on the first commercial test, which is expected to launch early next year at WRMF-FM in Palm Beach, Florida. Broadcast engineers say that limiting interference between a main channel signal and booster can be a challenge. Geo-Broadcast Solutions said the purpose of the test at WRMF is to prove ZoneCasting will not cause that type of a problem. (RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: FOUR UNLICENSED FLORIDA STATION OPERATORS HAVE FINES AFFIRMED

Four operators of unlicensed broadcast stations in Florida have had proposed fines ranging from $10,000 to $20,000 each affirmed by the FCC. This is because none of them responded to Notices of Apparent Liability that were issued to them last summer.

The four unlicensed operators are identified by the regulatory agency as Damian Anthony Ojouku Allen, Michael William Downer, McArthur Bussey and Burt Byng. As a result of their failure to communicate back to the FCC the agency has upheld a total of $65,000 in fines and issued Forfeiture Orders.

Downer and Allen were fined $20,000 each for operating unauthorized stations on 101.1MHz in Pompano Beach and 102.1 MHz in Lauderhill. Bussey was told he has to pay$15,000 for operating on 89.1 MHz in Fort Lauderdale while Byng received a $10,000 penalty for operating an unauthorized facility on 107.1 in Miami.

As is usual in these cases, each was given 30 days to pay the fine or to file an appeal. If they fail to do either the cases may be turned over to the Justice Department for collection. (FCC, RW)

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ENFORCEMENT: ALLEGED COPPER THIEVES CHARGED IN OHIO

Federal officials in Cleveland, Ohio, have charged 28 year old Thomas M. Carbone and 23 year old Katie M. Stanton with the malicious destruction of federally-licensed communications lines. U.S. Attorney Steve Dettelbach said that the defendants are accused of allegedly breaking into and seriously damaging radio towers.

The indictment charges that on or about August 17 to 18, 2012, Carbone and Stanton unlawfully entered the property of Radio One in North Royalton, Ohio, and willfully and maliciously destroyed and removed copper material from four radio station towers on the property. According to the indictment, this unlawful removal of copper depleted the signal strength of the radio station, thereby impeding its ability

to broadcast emergency messages. As such emergency repairs cost nearly $11,000 while permanent repairs will cost an estimated $125,000.

The indictment also charges that Carbone and Stanton conspired together to commit these unlawful acts. (CGC, Published News Reports)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAPPY 20th BIRTHDAY TO REC.RADIO.INFO

A very happy birthday to the popular Usenet newsgroup rec.radio.info which is about to turn 20. This with the first articles having appeared back in January of 1993.

Usenet is an electronic discussion and bulletin system that predates much of the Internet. It later began using the Internet to carry its discussion categories, known as newsgroups. Amateur radio was one of the very first topics to have these newsgroups.

The rec.radio.info newsgroup carries a wide range of bulletins, announcements, and other informational articles about all kinds of radio. These include amateur, shortwave, and domestic broadcasting all of which are submitted by its readers and selected by its moderation team. Articles from rec.radio.info suitable for amateur radio transmission are also relayed to the amateur packet radio bulletin board service network.

The rec.radio.info newsgroup can be accessed using a newsreader and subscription to a News Service Provider. A web-based interface to Usenet newsgroups, including rec.radio.info, is available from Google Groups at groups.google.com. (K3FU, K9YA)

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SOCIAL SCENE: HAMFEST INDIA 2012 TO HOLD US LICENSE EXAMS

Hamfest India 2012 is in the process of organizing a USA amateur radio license exams session on for this December 16th in city of Radakrishnan. Planners say that they are trying to find a location near to the hamfest venue with the exact location to be updated as soon as its known.

All the three classes of United States licenses will be tested. As anywhere else, applicants must present a photo identification of whom they and pay the exam fee of $15 or 850 Rupee in Indian currency. Walk-ins allowed and results will be made known to each applicant on the same day.

Oversight for this exam session will be by the ARRL VEC. More information is on-line at tinyurl.com/us-exams-in-india. (AB9US)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: THREE ASTRO-HAMS RETURN TO EARTH

Some names in the news. First up are ISS Expedition 33 Commander Suni Williams, KD5PLB, and Flight Engineers Yuri Malenchenko, RK3DUP, and Aki Hoshide, KE5DNI. All three returned to Earth on Monday, November 19th after 127 days in space.

The descent and landing took over 3.5 hours and occurred at 5:56 am U-T-C. This with a successful touchdown to the north-east of the town of Arkalyk in the Ukraine.

Expedition 34 arrived at in October is now in charge of ISS operations. It consists of Russian cosmonauts Oleg Novitsky and Evgeny Tarelkin, as well as NASA astronaut Kevin Ford, KF5GPP. They will spend five months on the orbiting laboratory. (NASA, Southgate, published news reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ARRL DIVISION ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED

Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, who has been elected the new Director of the ARRL's Hudson Division. Lisenco of Brooklyn New York handily defeated incumbent Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF, for the top slot in that Division.

Meantime in the Northwestern Division, incumbent Jim Fenstermaker, K9JF, defeated challenger William Balzarini, KL7BB, to retain his Directors seat. James Pace, K7CEX, was elected as Vice Director in a three-way race.

Ballots were counted on November 16th. Those standing for election in other divisions were unchallenged. Terms for all Directors and Vice Directors elected or re-elected begin at noon on January 1, 2013 and run for three years. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WALDEN TO CHAIR NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Newly re-elected Oregon Representative Greg Walden, W7EQI, says he will remain chairman of the House Subcommittee that oversees communications and technology policy. This as the former radio station group owner is being promoted within the Republican party leadership in Congress.

In addition to his other duties, W7EQI will chair the National Republican Congressional Committee. Elected to the post by House GOP members, the National Republican Congressional Committee chairman works with House leadership to set the agenda of that body. The committee also coordinates national efforts to elect Republicans to the House. (Published news reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: 2012 ARRL UHF CONTEST RESULTS POSTED

Sean Kutzko, KX9X, who is the League's Contest Branch Manager says that the results for the 2012 ARRL August UHF Contest are now on-line. You can view them at www.arrl.org/contest-results-articles. (ARRL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: INCREASING EFFICIENCY OF WIRELESS NETWORKS

Professors at the University of California, Riverside Bourns College of Engineering have apparently developed a way of doubling the efficiency of wireless networks. According to researchers Yingbo Hua and Ping Liang it appears the doubling of efficiency could be achieved by using full-duplex with "time-domain transmit beam forming." They say that the latter digitally creates a time-domain cancellation signal, couples it to the radio frequency front-end to allow the radio to hear much weaker incoming signals while transmitting strong outgoing signals at the same frequency and same time.

Wireless Design says scientists Hua and Liang see applications in cognitive radio. They say that this is a type of wireless communication in which a transceiver can detect which communication channels are in use and which are not, and move into vacant channels while avoiding occupied ones. You can read the Wireless Design Online article at tinyurl.com/highly-efficient-radio. (Southgate, Wireless Design)

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TECHNOLOGY CHANGING: SPACE WEATHER TO INTRODUCE TWO NEW PRODUCTS

This note from National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Tentatively on December 11th the Space Weather Prediction Center will introduce two new forecast products titled the 3-Day Forecast and the Forecast Discussion. These new products will be available twice a day at 00:30 and 12:30 UTC to provide space weather information in abbreviated and detailed formats.

Both will use NOAA Space Weather Scale information. Examples of these new products are available at tinyurl.com/caqy4ox and for the concise, 1-page summary and tinyurl.com/bm9flp6 for the in-depth space weather analysis. These two products will supplement the existing product suite and no current forecasts will be discontinued. (OPDX, W8KVK)

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RADIO IN SPACE: DARPA RECRUITING AMATEUR ASTRONOMERS FOR SPACE JUNK SURVEILLANCE

The U.S. military is launching a far-out neighborhood watch. But instead of warding off burglars, it's recruiting amateur astronomers to assist in tracking orbital debris and there-by help in avoiding possible satellite collisions in Earth orbit.

The sky-monitoring project, called SpaceView, is a Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency or DARPA program that enrolls the talents of amateur astronomers to help protect American space assets from orbital trash. These dangerous objects include spent rocket stages, defunct satellites and fragments from other spacecraft that are the result of erosion, explosion and collision. DARPA says that a collision between one of these small pieces of debris and a satellite could release more than 20,000 times the energy of a head-on automobile collision at 65 miles an hour.

The concept of the SpaceView program is to provide more diverse data to the Space Surveillance Network. This is a U.S. Air Force program charged with cataloguing and observing space junk and debris to identify potential near-term collisions. NASA estimates more than 500,000 pieces of hazardous space debris orbit the Earth, threatening satellites that among other things support peacekeeping and combat missions.

For more information on DARPA's SpaceView project take your web browser to www.spaceviewnetwork.com. (Space.com)

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ON THE AIR: SPECIAL EVENT STATION GB0IDD TO CELEBRATE UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The United Kingdom's Wakefield District Radio Society will be operating the special event station GB0IDD over the weekend of December 1st to the 3rd. This in celebration of the United Nations International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

This United Nations sponsored Day of Action takes place each year. Its overall aim is to raise awareness and understanding of disability issues and to promote the independence, inclusion and choice of disabled people and their rights, abilities and well-being worldwide.

This year's theme is Removing Barriers to Create an Inclusive and Accessible Society for All. Operation will be mainly on 20 through 10 meters and you should confirm this contact electronically via e-QSL only.

By the way: Some 30 percent of the Wakefield District Radio Society members are disabled in some way, (GB0IDD)

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ON THE AIR: 5G12ITD CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL TOLERANCE DAY

And special events station 5G12ITD is on the air Morocco in celebration International Tolerance Day. The United Nations sponsors International

Day for Tolerance annually observed to educate people about the need for tolerance in society and to help them understand the negative effects of intolerance. 5G12ITD will be active all bands and all modes through December 16th. QSL via RW6HS. (Southgate)

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In DX, word that Members of the F6KOP team expected to be active from Ugands as 5X8C between February 6th to the 18th, 2013, from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport. They have announced they will comply to the last IARU bandplan on 40 meters for the region with the frequencies of the PSK and RTTY moved to 7040 and 7042 kHz. For more details see www.5x2013.com

H44RK has announced that he will be active from Samoa for a while in early December. More details will be forthcoming shortly.

DL5RMH will be active from Guatemala until middle of January signing stroke TG9 stroke KF5LSG though he is hoping to obtain the call TG9IDX. If you make contact, please QSL via his home callsign.

VK6DXI will be active stroke FK from New Caledonia until mid December. He has been heard early on Sunday mornings on 28.485 MHz around 07:20 UTC. QSL only via his home callsign.

LA9JKA continues to be operational as JX9JKA from Jan Mayen Island and will be there until approximately April 11th, 2013. He operates SSB and the digital modes on 160 through 4 meters including 60 and 6 meters. QSL direct only to his home callsign as listed in QRZ.com.

Lastly, special event station 8J6HAM will be operational from the Island of Kyushu Japan, between December 10th and March 3rd. Activity is in celebration of the 12th West Japan Ham Fair with operations on all bands and using many modes. QSL via the JARL Bureau.

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NEWSLINE FOLLOW-UP: L.A. AIRPORT'S TRAVELERS INFORMATION STATION IS HISTORY

And finally this week, thanks to the efforts of a sharp-eyed CGC Communicator reader, we now know why the 530 kHz Travelers Information Station at Los Angeles International Airport reported on last week is silent. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak tells us who found out and why its goods and bad news for broadcast band DX'ers:

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According to the CGC Communicator, it was a reader identified as Mark Nodine who provided the answer to the question of why the station went dark. According to Nodine, who holds the call KJ6MS says Los Angeles World Airports canceled their recently renewed license for WNHV296

effective October 1, 2012.

Los Angeles World Airports is the City of Los Angeles department that owns and operates three airports. These are Los Angeles International, Ontario International and Van Nuys. The latter of the three being mainly used for private and corporate aviation.

The CGC Communicator goes on to give some interesting technical date about the now defunct Los Angeles International Airport Travelers Information Station. For instance, the station consisted of two separate transmitters. A 10 watt unit was used to provide service to street traffic in a tunnel under the runways while a 100 watt transmitter broadcast to the general public. An FCC waiver was necessary in order to run 100 watts with the above-ground transmitter. That power level was granted back in 2004 after being deemed necessary to communicate with the general public in case of a terrorist attack.

The bottom line: As we said in our last report, the disappearance of this Travelers Information Service station does open up that frequency in the Southwest United States for DX'ing a 50 Kilowatt religious station in Turks and Caicos islands that operates on the same frequency. But it also means another low power AM broadcast band station that was a challenge for DXing listeners has gone away.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, scanning the medium waves from the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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As an aside, the Los Angeles World Airports still holds but is not using the license for station WQEA967 on 770 kHz. It is supposed to be a 10 watt station at Southern California's Ontario International Airport. (CGC Communicator)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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2348. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 23 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-23 11:43:30 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93b5e7e5184f604cf2816a7@google.com>
Source record: 1465
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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We have a technical and social hobby

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5-PaYUphqms/we_have_a_technical_and_social_hobby.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Three radio amateurs took over the ABC studios in Mildura and Bendigo in
Victoria Australia for a chat among themselves and the presenter about so
many different aspects of amateur radio

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Message Sending tutorials

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MngbNhARX6c/message_sending_tutorials.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Jack G8HIK has produced a couple of tutorial videos for RAYNET use

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White Space Devices Consultation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8M3efmreohM/white_space_devices_consultation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom has published a consultation on a framework for the operation of
white space devices in the UK

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Ham Radio on ABC

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ra87xFUYIXA/ham_radio_on_abc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Kevin Crockett VK3CKC, Max Brighton VK3ZNT and John Williams VK2AWJ got
some publicity for amateur radio on ABC radio

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HamRadioNow Episode 32

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4cmKXfCeWfE/hamradionow_episode_32.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this episode Gary KN4AQ visits the This Week in Tech (TWiT) studios and interviews Leo Laporte W6TWT

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sLSGFV-zVrc/november_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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October RSGB Board proceedings released

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ziZfS78QkqQ/october_rsgb_board_proceedings_released.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RSGB has released the board proceedings for October 20, the Bletchley Park NRC MoU and lease were among the topics discussed

2349. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1088

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-23 15:09:23 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <70214.40128.bm@smtp102.sbc.mail.ne1.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1466
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1088
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** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTICE: This week's bulletin was sent out earlier than normal to accommodate the late CQWW DX CW Contest announcements. Also, we wanted to provide the readers with a consolidated listing of the CQWW DX CW Contest participants.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 16th-November, through Friday, 23rd-November there were 236 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PY0S, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/g, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

AU2, INDIA (Special Event). Look for special event station AU2JCB to be active between November 24th and December 10th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters SSB, SSTV, PSK and FM. Suggested frequencies are (depending on the propagation): 7035, 7150, 14220, 14250, 14350, 21235, 21350, 28490, 28545, 28590 and 51500 kHz. If higher bands are open, operations will be on those bands. The operator will be Surabhi, VU2DSI. QSL direct (with 2 IRCs) to VU2DSI. Operations are to celebrate the 154th anniversary of the birth (November 30th) of Sir Jagadeesh Chandra Bose, India's great scientist and inventor, who they consider the "Father of Wireless Communication". For more details, see the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/vu2msy/JCBOSE.htm

BA7, CHINA. Paul, BA7JS, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

C6, BAHAMAS. Brian, ND3F/N3IQ, will once again be active as C6AQQ from Nassau (FL16 - Junkanoo Beach), Providence Island (NA-001) between now and November 27th. Activity will be mostly on the lower bands, but he will also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via ND3F, direct preferred, eQSL, LoTW, or by the Bureau (long wait).

CR3, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Jose, CT1BOH, will be using the special callsign CR3E during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. All QSOs will be uploaded into LoTW. QSL Manager, Joe, W3HNK. See his Web page and station at: http://www.qsl.net/ct1boh

CX/CW, URUGUAY. Leo, CX3AL, provided OPDX with a list of Uruguayan stations to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th):
CW5W - Operator Jorge; Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry
CX2DK - Operator Marcelo; Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry
CX3AL - Operator Leonardo; Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry
CX5TR - Operator Alan; Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power entry
CX7CO - Operator Carlos; Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/High-Power entry
CX7ACH - Operator Pablo; Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry
See QRZ.com for QSL routes for all operators.

D3, ANGOLA. Mike, UA1QV, is now active as D3AA from Vila de Catoca, about 30 km from Saurimo, the capital of the Province Lunda Sul, Angola, until he leaves on February 15th (2013) for another vacation. Look for him to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via UA1QV.

DXPEDITION VIDEOS OF THE WEEK. With more and more DXpeditions putting their videos on YouTube and other Web services, we decided to list them (possibly) each week. For this week's listings:
2012 - T30PY/T30SIX Western Kiribati:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Sa9dn89s

2012 - David/K3LP & Paul/N6PSE visit to Mt. Athos:
http://www.intrepid-dx.com/index-images/dxpedition_video.jpg
2012 - LA/SP7IDX and LA/SP7VC to Mageroya Island (EU-044):
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRIxgfv-A
2010 - GB2BLE Lundy Island DXpedition:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vsXY7Ayfo

If you have a DXpedition 'video' available on the Web and would like to have it listed in the OPDX, PLEASE send the URL to use, and we will publish it.

E7, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. A team of operators will be active as E7DX during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via E77E, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

ER4, MOLDOVA. Serge, UT5UDX, will be active as ER4A during both the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

F6, FRANCE. Members of the Ville de Provins ARC will be active as F6KOP from a station located in the highs of Provins, 77 km SE of Paris, during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi/Multi entry. Operators mentioned are Ghis/F6CEL, Francis/F5QF, Didier/F5JVP, Alain/F6ENO, Bruno/F5AGB, Mat/F5PED, Jean-Jacques/F5NKX, Stephane/F5UOW, Tony/F8ATS, Antoine/F5RAB, Serge/F6DZS, Terry/F4TTR, Claude/F5GVA, Laurent/F6BBO, Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Frank/ F4AJQ and Maurice/F5NQL. QSL via F6KOP, direct or by the Bureau.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Didier, FY5FY, will be active as FY5FY during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 20/15/10m)/Low-Power or QRP entry. QSL via FY1FL, by the Bureau or direct.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA. Larry, F6FVY, will be active as FY5FY during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 15/10m)/High-Power or QRP entry. QSL via LoTW or by the Bureau.

GU, GUERNSEY. Bob, GU4YOX, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/High-Power entry. QSL via GU4YOX, direct or by the Bureau (very slow) or LoTW.

H40 & H44, SOLOMON ISLAND AND TEMOTU PROVINCE. Ralph, H44RK, has announced that he is [edited] "planning a DXpedition in and around the Solomon Islands next year via our sailing boat Hafskip. The trip will start around April (2013) from Vella la Vella (OC-149) and continue through many Islands through to Temotu Province. From there we will be operating on many of the other islands as we head slowly back to VK4-land." In the Temotu Province, Ralph will sign H40RK. Some of the islands that he mentions (all count for DXCC as Solomon Islands) are: Solomon Islands (OC-047), Rennell Island (OC-127), New Georgia Islands (OC-149), Florida Islands (OC-158), Shortland Islands (OC-162), Russell Islands (OC-168), Ontong Java Atoll (OC-192) and Stewart Islands [aka Sikaiana Atoll]

(OC-285). Ralph is interested and looking in sponsors for this trip.
He can be contacted at: ralph.honiara@gmail.com

HP, PANAMA. Simon, S54ZZ, will be active as HP1/S54ZZ from Panama until
November 27th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

IOTA NEWS.............
NA-072. Olli, OH0XX, is currently active as HP1XX from Contadora
Island. The length of his stay is not known. He is expected
to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a
Single-Op/Single-Band entry. QSL via his home callsign.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 26th- December 2nd)....
Nov/26th AN Nov/29th HN Dec/01st HN-AN
Nov/27th AN-HN Nov/30th HN Dec/02nd AN
Nov/28th AN-HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

MARK YOUR CALENDARS (Doomsday). According to one of the three Mayan
Calendars, the end of the world will occur on December 21, 2012. To
celebrate this once in a lifetime event, look for special event station
"N0D" to be on the air for the following three days:
December 20th - To celebrate the end of the world.
December 21st - The day of destruction. Operators will be on the
air as long as possible.
December 22nd - This day is a little iffy right now.
This operation will take place from a secret undisclosed location. QSL
with SASE via KK5W, the address is in QRZ.com. According to the info on
QRZ.com, "If Doomsday actually does happen, we regret that a QSL will
not be possible so don't mail your QSL request until it is safe." More
information is available about certificates, official N0D Doomsday apparel
(T-shirts, Caps and buttons) and becoming a registered "Official Doomsday
Station" [also take the Doomsday survey] on the Official N0D Web site at:
http://www.nowzerodays.com
You can also E-mail the N0D team at <N0D.Doomsday@gmail.com> with questions
or suggestions about Doomsday. "DO IT QUICK -- TIME IS RUNNING OUT"

MJ0, JERSEY. Mat, F5SHQ, will be active as MJ0ASP during the CQWW DX CW
Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via LoTW.

MZ, SCOTLAND. Ian, G3WVG, will be active as MZ5B from Eshaness, Shetland
Island (EU-012, IOSA SH01, SCOTIA SI11, ARLHS SCO-075, BARLS A3838, WLH

GM-026, WLOTA LH-0867, WAB HU27) during CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. QSL via LoTW or to G3TXF, direct or by the Bureau.

NP4, PUERTO RICO. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL via N4AO.

OA, PERU. Martijn, PA3GFE, will be active as OA4/PA3GFE between December 20th and February 1st. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters, mainly CW and the Digital modes. He hopes to get active on 80m too, if he can get the antenna to resonant. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Operators Franta/DJ0ZY, Maik/DJ2QV, Simon/DJ4MZ, Manfred/DK2OY, Holger/DL5KUT, Bernhard/DL6RAI, Jukka/OH6LI and Jari/OH6QU will be active as OH0V from Geta Bergen during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via OH6LI, by the Bureau or direct.

PT0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update). The PT0S team will not be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) because they went QRT on November 23rd at 1030z. QSL via HA7RY. The latest updates are available at their Web page. Also the PT0S's log is now on their Web page and ClubLog at: http://pt0s.com
https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/PT0S
As of 0845z, November 22nd, PT0S has made a total of 40922 QSOs with 13116 Unique callsigns (23649/CW, 15676/SSB and 1597/RTTY). Breakdown by continent is: 710/AF, 1/AN, 2591/AS, 19278/EU, 15060/NA, 363/OC and 2919/SA. ADDED NOTE: The OQRS is now available on their Web page!

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 23rd)

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3B8/SM6GOR via SM6GOR EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO SV9/IN3EEF via IN3EEF
3Z5MT via SP5PRF EL2MF via KC7V TC2W via LZ1NK
4S7KKG via DC0KK EM7KAA/P via IK2DUW TF4X via G3SWH
5P3WW via DL1YAW FK8CE via LZ1JZ TY2BP via IK2IQD
6W/UN7LZ via UN7LZ GB2RN via G-Bureau only VE2IM via VE3DZ
6W7/N1SNB via N0TG (d) HE5LC via HB9LC VP2MMM via W3HNK
9H3OG via DL4HG HK2PMR via EA5GL VP5/W5CW via W5CW
9H3TX via DL5XAT HT9H via TI4SU W4D via WP4SD
A6/YO3FRI via YO3FRI J79WTA via HB9MFM WH0DX via JM1LJS
CN8QN via EA7FTR LU8EEM via LU7DR XW2CW via DK7PE
CR3E via W3HNK NP2/K7EUG via K7EUG YA/IZ1CCK via IZ1BWB
CT7/DL5SAQ/P via DL5SAQ OF3I via OH3BHL YC9CT via YC9BEC
CT7/OJ0M via OH1NOA OY1OF via M0URX YS1/HB9KNA via HB9KNA
CT8/OH6KZP via OH6KZP PJ2/VE7ACN via VE7ACN YU100SAF via YU1AVQ
CT9/CT1FFU via CT1EEB PJ2/W0NB via W0NB Z38/HA6OI via HA6OI
CT9/DL1CW via DL1CW PJ2MI via EB7DX Z38/HA7UI/P via HA7UI
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX PJ4/W1FJ via W1FJ Z38/YO5BRZ via YO5BRZ

E51TLA via OZ6TL PJ4D via W3HNK
EA/LB2M via LB2M PJ7I via JG2BRI
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

7O6T QSL STATUS. OPDX was informed on November 20th that QSL Manager Nick, UA3DX, reported he received the QSL cards from the printer about 4 weeks ago (QRZ.com states October 18th). He is now mailing about 500 direct cards weekly.

NEW QSL MANAGER. As of November 21, 2012, Buzz, NI5DX, is the QSL Manager for 4L1AN. Buzz and Joni will work on designing a card and getting it printed. This may take up to 6 weeks. NI5DX will NOT be able to answer any card requests prior to November 21, 2012.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Effective immediately, Buzz, NI5DX, is the QSL Manager for ZL2HAM, Rick in Nelson, New Zealand. Rick has forwarded Buzz his past logs, so Buzz will be able to answer any request for a card from ZL2HAM. Cards will be ordered and should be available to send out in about a month. Buzz will also handle Rick's contest calls ZL1G and ZM1G.

QSL INFO UPDATE FROM VU2PAI. Pai, VU2PAI, sent the following to OPDX:
"Greetings from Mangalore ,South India,
With a heavy heart I wish to inform the sad news about the loss my beloved father recently. He encouraged me very much in all walks of life and specially he helped me and motivated a lot for Ham Radio.
The reason for my mail is to request you to publish some information that I will give in this mail in your next news bulletin.
I have a small back log of the QSLs that I have received recently from about June-August as I was travelling to the U.S. in May-June to attend Dayton Hamfest, and I have not been active on the air for about 2 months since the death of my father. I am now QRV, and I will be sending all the pending cards soon. I once again request all DX hams not to send any green stamps with their QSL card. IRCs are fine no problem at all. I also read that it is difficult to get IRCs in many post offices in Europe and now the U.S.A also. But please do not forget to send a self addressed envelope or an address label with your QSL request.(More info on QRZ.COM under my call VU2PAI)
I will be very happy to send cards via direct even without IRC or green stamp, no problem, I request hams to please use 3 or 4 beautiful stamps on the envelope when they send me their card. If possible they can send me 3 or 4 mint (unused stamps) from their country or any saved envelopes that they have from exchanging QSLs from other DX contacts to me. I love collecting stamps and stamps on envelopes. I still have some photo QSL cards from my previous activations like St.Marys Island (IOTA AS-096), Sacrifice Rock Island (Iota AS-161), AT0PAI,AT2PAI,VU2PAI/50 etc.
I DO NOT have any QSL Manager, and I handle all my QSL requests. Some databases showed a QSL Manager in Italy for me which is wrong information.
All QSL cards only for VU7LD/VU2PAI (Laccadive Islands) is VIA W3HNK ONLY.
I have also been appointed as the QSL manager for ALL VU stations since

the last one year, and I will be happy to forward all incoming QSL cards to the members of the ARSI (Amateur Radio Society Of India which is affiliated to the IARU).
Best wishes to all and Seasons greetings in Advance for a very Merry Christmas and happy,healthy and a prosperous 2013."
VU2PAI address is: Ananth G.Pai, Bharath Beedi Works Pvt Ltd,
Post Box 730, Bharath Bagh,Kadri Road, Mangalore 575 003, India.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5H2DK, 5U6E, EA6UN, EA8AY, EI3KD, HB9ELE, HK1NA, J68HZ, LZ1MS, MW0ZZK, PJ7DX, PT0S, RI1ANF, S50XX, SV1CQN, T30PY, VE1DHD, VK7DZ, XE2HQI, YI9EO, ZL4PW and ZL7A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2C, 7O6T, C50C, C5A, D3AA, D64K, FG5FR, and TO2D

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

ST, SUDAN. "The Daily DX" reports that Mario, CT1FTR, has moved to the Sudan and has recently obtained his ST2FT license. He is using a FT-857 that is set up for SSB and PSK31 on the HF bands. QSL via CT2GBU direct and eQSL. PLEASE NOTE: QSLs cannot go through the REP QSL Bureau as neither CT1FTR nor his QSL Manager are members of REP.

T2, TUVALU. Operators Rob/GM3YTS, Tom/GM4FDM, Gav/GM0GAV and Clive/GM3POI will be active as T2GM from Tuvalu between March 12-23rd (2013). Activity will be focused on Europe. QSL via GM4FDM. Hopefully, more details will be forthcoming.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Eric, K9GY, now active as T6MO from the Helmand Province (Grid MM21), is expected to once again be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Activity will be on 40/20/15/10 meters only using 100 watts into a OCF dipole at 30 feet. His sunrise is 0218z and sunset is 1240z. QSL via K8GY.

TM1, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM1TARA to be on air between December 8-10th. Activity is to commemorate the scientific campaigns of French polar boat "TARA". Operations will be conducted by Fran&#65533;ois/F8DVD and Sebastien/F8IJV in Paris during the Tara exhibit. Look for them on 20-10 meters SSB. A special color QSL card will be printed and will be sent via the Bureau or direct (SAE with 1 IRC or 2 USD) via the QSL Manager F8DVD.
The Tara Expeditions has been organizing missions aboard the research schooner Tara for the past 9 years. The goal was to learn more about the impact of climate change on ecosystems. Tara has accomplished 8 successful expeditions - to Greenland, Antarctica, Patagonia, southern Georgia, the Arctic and all over the world with the latest expedition Tara Oceans. After stopovers in Europe this winter, the schooner will leave for a new mission in 2013 for the great North. Tara will attempt to go through the Arctic Ocean by the northwest and northeast passages, if the ice pack permits this. This will also be the occasion to add new research programs specific to the region concerning plastic particles and traces of pollution. For more info, see QRZ.com or contact F8DVD: a.pole@laposte.net

TX1, NEW CALEDONIA. Sam, FK8DD, will be using the special callsign TX1CW from Noumea, New Caledonia (OC-032), for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). QSL via LZ1JZ.

UA2, KALININGRAD. Dmitri, UA2FB, will be active as UA2KW (ex-UA2KK) from the Keeper Telecom LTD Club Station during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via direct to: Ulrich Mueller, 13 Kreutzacker Str, D-35041 Marburg, Germany. No German stamps please! All cards are replied from Russia. No IBRS please! Bureau QSLs go to the UA2 QSL Bureau.

V2, ANTIGUA (NA-100). The V26B QSL Manager Mike, KA2AEV, reports: "We (Team Antigua) are currently awaiting additional information as to the status of the shack. The building was damaged and the owner, Roy Carte, injured, but he's in the hospital and as far as I know recovering nicely. We will have additional information in the days ahead. ANOTHER UPDATE: V26B shack was totally destroyed: http://n3oc.dyndns.org/v26b
Pictures here: http://n3oc.dyndns.org/v26b/fire.htm
ADDED NOTE FROM Mike: Also, currently due to Hurricane Sandy which hit my area HARD, I have not yet begun to answer any QSL requests that I have received and do not anticipate until maybe another 2 weeks because of my job status, (I work for the local Power Company) so PLEASE BE PATIENT. Please do not email me or Telephone me asking me if your QSLs have been received or why they haven't been answered yet....
PATIENCE PLEASE."

V3, BELIZE. Bob, K4UUK, will be active as V31RD from Belize between May 4-18th (2013). Activity will be on 80-6 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign, direct (preferred) or by the Bureau.

V4, ST. KITTS (Cancelled). Andy, N2NT, was expected to be active as V47NT from the QTH of V47KP between November 19-26th. However, he reports, "I had to cancel the trip to V47NT for the CQWW contest. The road to the station is out and no way to get to the hill. "

V8, BRUNEI (Update). By the time you read this, the activity by the V84SMD DXpedition should be over. Remember, the V84SMD log search is available at: http://www.maxlaconca.com/logv84smd
QSL via IK2VUC, direct, by the bureau or the OQRS. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW 4-5 months after the activity. Further information can be found on their website at: http://www.mdxc.org/v84smd
As of 2347z, November 22nd, V84SMD has made a total of 39310 QSOs with 14102 Unique callsigns (42%/CW, 37%/SSB and 21%/Digi). Breakdown by continent is: 1%/AF, 44%/AS, 43%/EU, 10%/NA, 2%/OC and 1%/SA.

VK0H, HEARD ISLAND (Update). A recent update, was posted on the Heard Island (The 2014 Cordell Expedition) Web page at:
http://www.cordell.org/HD
Under "News" it states [edited]:
"PROJECT STATUS - We announce the appointment of Viola Krebs as liaison to IPEV, the operators of the vessel Marion Dufresne. Viola replaces Peter Casier who resigned for personal reasons. We are currently in final negotiations for the itinerary and cost for the expedition. Attempts to

arrange a combined mission with TAAF to enable the team to be on Heard Island for 33 days did not succeed due to the large size of the team and inadequate space on the vessel.
We report that that team member Damion Gildea has made preliminary arrangements for an Australian film team to make a documentary of the expedition.
We expect that in the next news update (15 Dec), we will have specific information about the itinerary and projected costs.
We have posted updates on the expedition website <www.heardisland.org>.
For more information, please contact Dr. Robert Schmieder, KK6EK, Organizer and Expedition leader, Schmieder@cordell.org."

VP2M, MONTSERRAT. Alan, N3AD, will once again be active as VP2MMM between now and November 27th. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band possibly a High or Lower Power entry. QSL via W3HNK.

XR0, EASTER ISLAND. A UK DXpedition team will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001) between February 13-21st. Operators mentioned are Michael/G7VJR, Nigel/G3TXF, Bob/MD0CCE and Martin G3ZAY. QSL via M0OXO.
There will be a log search on ClubLog at:
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=0YG
No other details are available at this time. Stay tuned.

XT, BURKINA FASO. A team of Japanese operators will be active from Burkina Faso between February 22nd and March 2nd (2013). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Look for the following operators (w/their XT callsign): Yukinori/JA3VWT (XT2VWT), Jusei/JA3IVU (XT2IVU), Junichi/JH3AEF (XT2AEF) and Kunio/JA1CJA (XT2CJA). QSL via their home callsign.

XT, BURKINA FASO. On Tuesday, members of the "Italian Dxpedition Team" announced that their next DXpedition will be to Burkina Faso between February and March 2013 (dates are approx.). This will be a 15 day operation on all bands and all modes. The pilot station is IK7JWY, and the pilot station for 6m band is IK0FTA. Software Management (real-time log online) will be by IH9GPI. The official Web site is:
http://www.i2ysb.com/idt
Official forum is: http://www.hamradioweb.org
Look for more details to be forthcoming.

XU, CAMBODIA. Mal, VK6LC, will be on another DX vacation to Cambodia between November 23-25th. He will sign XU7AEO. Activity will be on CW and some SSB. Also, look for him to operate in the CQWW DX CW Contest. QSL ONLY DIRECT to VK6LC.

XV1, VIETNAM. Eddie, XV1X, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry. He mentions that he may operate on other bands if 10m closes up. QSL RW6HS.

XV4, VIETNAM. Yan, XV4Y (ex-XV4TUJ), located in Mekong delta (south of Vietnam), informs OPDX this past week [edited]: "Like last winter, I

will try to be active on 80 meters around NA sunrise time (1300-1400z).
I already have several good reports and even a couple of QSOs during last
month, but the level of noise is still really high since the rainy season
has not yet ended. I hope to have better conditions in December and
January, but the stations who want to work me may need a lot of patience.
My setup is rather simple with 100W in a low-above-ground 80m OCF Dipole
for TX antenna and an homebrew coaxial-made small loop for RX antenna.
I will also try to be on the air for Europe around 2200z (my sunrise),
but I have not a lot of spare time for this so don't expect me to be
there every morning. However, band conditions are usually better at
sunrise than at sunset so the QSO rate could be better. For more details
about my planned operations (when I am able to plan something) will be
available on my Twitter account @XV4Y. See you on the air." QSL via
OK1DOT, LoTW and eQSL. Yan's Twitter and Web page can be found at:
http://twitter.com/#!/XV4Y/followers
http://xv4y.radioclub.asia
Also, to learn more about Yan, read his QRZ.com page.

XW2, LAOS. Rudi, DK7PE, is now active as XW2CW from Vientiane until
November 27th. Activity will be limited. Look for him to possibly be
on 160 and 80 meters. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.
Visit his Web page at: http://www.rooody.de/index.html

YB0, INDONESIA. Pri, YB0ECT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest
(November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m)/Low-Power entry. QSL
via W2FB.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND. Just a reminder that members of the Hellenic Amateur
Radio of Association of Australia (HARAOA) will be active as ZL9HR from
Campbell Island (OC-037, WFF ZLFF-019) between November 28th and December
9th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using all modes. QSL via EB7DX direct,
LoTW or use the OQRS for Bureau and direct requests. For more information
and updates, visit their Web site at: http://www.campbell2012.com

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The following stations are expected to be active in the
CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 24-25th, 2012)

Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following
consolidated listing of the participants in the 2012 CQWW DX CW Contest.
For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML
format, please visit Bill's Web page at:
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2012.html (By call sign)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcd2012.html (By entity)
http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcz2012.html (By zone)

Contest DXCC CQZ Class QSL
Callsign Entity Route

3V8BB Tunisia 33 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
3W2J Vietnam 26 M/S LoTW; QSL via K2PF

4K6FO Azerbaijan 21 SOAB 4K6FO
5X1NH Uganda 37 G3RWF
5Z4EE Kenya 37 SOAB HP NV7E
7P8D Lesotho 38 M/? ZS2DL
8P9DF Barbados 08 SOAB LP WJ2O Direct
9G5XA Ghana 35 SOSB 10M G3SWH
9H3PP Malta 15 SOSB HA5PP
9H3TX Malta 15 M/2 DL5XAT
9J3A Zambia 36 SO LP S57S
9M2/E21EIC West Malaysia 28 SOAB E21EIC; JAs QSL via JR5XPG
9M6NA East Malaysia 28 SOAB LoTW; QSL via JE1JKL (B/d)
AH2R Guam 27 M/S LoTW; QSL via JH7QXJ (B/d)
AH0DX Mariana Islands 27 M/2 WX8C
BA7JS China 24 SOSB 160M BA7JS
BY5CD China 24 SOAB HP BD4HF
C5A Gambia 35 M/M OM2FY
C6AKQ/C6ARU/C6AUM Bahamas 08 ???? QSL via home call
C6AQQ Bahamas 08 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via ND3F (d/e)
CR2X Azores 14 SOAB HP OH2BH
CR3E Madeira 33 SOAB W3HNK
CR3L Madeira 33 M/2 DJ6QT
CR6T Portugal 14 SOSB LoTW; QSL via OH1NOA
CW5W Uruguay 13 SOAB HP
CW90A Uruguay 13 M/? CX2ABC
CX2DK Uruguay 13 SOSB 20m LP
CX3AL Uruguay 13 SOSB 15m LP
CX5TR Uruguay 13 SOSB 15m LP
CX7CO Uruguay 13 SOSB 10m LP
CX7ACH Uruguay 13 SOSB 10m LP
D3AA Angola 36 SOAB UA1QV
D4C Cape Verde Island 35 M/? IZ4DPV
E7DX Bosnia & Herzegovina 15 M/S LoTW; QSL via E77E (B/d)
EA8CUU Canary Islands 33 SOSB OH6CS Direct
ED1B Spain 14 M/S
ED1R Spain 14 M/2 EC1KR
ED9Z Ceuta & Melilla 33 M/S HA1AG
EF7X Spain 14 M/S EA7GYS
EF8S Canary Islands 33 SOSB 160M OH2BYS
EF8X Canary Islands 33 SOAB W2GR
EL2A Liberia 35 M/M G3SXW
ER4A Moldova 15 SOAB HP LoTW
ES6Q Estonia 15 SOAB LP ES5RY
EU1AA Belarus 16 SOAB QRP EU1AA
EY8MM Tajikistan 17 SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via K1BV
F6KOP France 14 M/M F6KOP; QSL via (B/d)
FS St. Martin 08 LoTW
FY5FY French Guiana 09 SOSB
FY5KE French Guiana 09 SOSB LoTW; QSL via (B/d)
GJ2A Jersey 14 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via K2WR or
GJ3DVC

GU4CHY Guernsey 14 SOSB 10M GU4CHY Direct
GU4YOX Guernsey 14 SOSB 15M LoTW; QSL via GU4YOX (B/d)
HK1NA Colombia 09 M/M K6IPM
HP1XX Panama 07 OH0XX
HQ2N Honduras 07 SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
IH9R African Italy 33 SOSB 40M IZ1GAR Direct
II1A Italy 15 M/? IK1SPR
II9P Sicily 15 M/S IT9CHU
IT9RBW Sicily 15 SOSB 10M
J34K Grenada 08 SOAB QRP LoTW
J75Z Dominica 08 SOAB LP LoTW; QSL via K7ZZ direct
JW5E Svalbard 40 M/S JW5E
KG6DX Guam 27 SOSB 10M LoTW; QSL via KG6DX direct
KH2/JK2VOC Guam 27 SOAB LP JK2VOC
KH7M Hawaii 31 SOAB HP KH6ZM
KP2M US Virgin Islands 08 M/S
KP2MM US Virgin Islands 08 SO LoTW
LN8W Norway 14 SOAB HP LA9VDA
LS1D Argentina 13 M/S AC7DX
LT1F Argentina 13 M/S AC7DX
LU8YE Argentina 13 M/2 LU8YE
LX7I Luxembourg 14 M/S LX2A
LY7A Lithuania 15 M/M LY2ZO
MJ0ASP Jersey 14 SOAB LoTW
MZ5B Shetland Island 14 SOSB 10M G3TXF
NH2T Guam 27 SOAB HP LoTW
NP3X Puerto Rico 08 SOSB 20M NP3O
NP4Z Puerto Rico 08 SO HP N4AO
OE3K Austria 15 SOAB OE3DIA
OH0V Aland Island 15 M/2 OH6LI
OH0Z Aland Island 15 SOAB HP W0MM
OP4K Belgium 14 M/S OP4K; QSL via (B/d)
OU2A Denmark 14 SOAB HP OU2A (B)
OY1CT Faroe Island 14 SO HP OY1CT
OZ5E Denmark 14 M/M LoTW
P3N Cyprus 20 SOAB HP RW3RN
P40F Aruba 09 SOAB LoTW; QSL via UA3DX
P40W Aruba 09 SOAB LoTW; QSL via N2MM
P49Y Aruba 09 TBD AE6Y
PJ4A Bonaire 09 M/? K4BAI
PJ4D Bonaire 09 M/? W3HNK
PJ7/VA3RA Sint Maarten 08 SO VE3IKV
PT0S St Peter & St Paul 11 M/S HA7RY
PZ5T Surinam 09 SOAB VE3DZ
R4WAA/HI7 Dominican Rep. 08 R4WAA
RI1FJ Franz Josef Land 40 SOSB 15M UA2FM Direct; QSL via OQRS
RT7T Russia (Europe) 16 SOSB 10M RY7G (B)
RU0FM Russia (Asia) 19 M/2 LoTW; QSL via RU0FM (B/d)
T40C Cuba 08 M/S T40C Direct
T6LG Afghanistan 21 SOAB LP LZ1ZF

T6MO Afghanistan 21 SOAB LP K9GY
T8NS Palau 27 SOAB TBA
TC2M Turkey 20 M/2 LZ1NK
TF2CW Iceland 40 SOAB LX1NO
TF4X Iceland 40 M/2 G3SWH
TG9IDX Guatemala 07 SOAB LP DL5RMH
TI5A Costa Rica 07 SOAB TI5KD
TO7A Martinique 08 SOAB UT5UGR
TX1CW New Caledonia 32 SO LZ1JZ
UA2KW Kalinigrad 15 SOSB 20M
V26K Antigua 08 SOAB LP AA3B
V6A Micronesia 27 SOAB LoTW; QSL via JA7HMZ (d)
VE2EKA Canada 02 SOAB LP VA2WDQ
VK6AA Australia 29 SOAB LP DK2BJ
VK8GM Australia 29 SOAB HP VK8GM
VK9/OG1M Lord Howe Island 30 SOSB 10M OH1VR Direct
VK9/OH3X Lord Howe Island 30 SOSB 160M OH3JR Direct
VP2MMM Monserrat 08 SO W3HNK
VP2V/AA7V Br.Virgin Islands 08 M/S LoTW; QSL via NR6M (d)
VP5CW Turks & Caicos 08 W5CW Direct
VU2PTT India 22 SOAB HP LoTW; QSL via VU2PTT (B/d)
XU7AEO Cambodia 26 VK6LC Direct ONLY
XV1X Vietnam 26 SOSB 10M RW6HS
YB0ECT Indonesia 28 SOSB 10M W2FB
YN2CC Nicaragua 07 SOAB LP LoTW; QSLvia AJ9C (d)
Z6/S56A Kosovo 15 SOAB LP S56A
ZD8W Ascension Island 36 SO W6NV
ZF1A Cayman Islands 08 M/S LoTW; QSL via K6AM (B/d)
ZM4T New Zealand 32 M/M LoTW; QSL via ZL2AL (d)
ZP9MCE Paraguay 11 SOSB 10M EA5ZD
ZS4TX South Africa 38 SOSB 15M LoTW
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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

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http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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2350. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 25 2012

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WIANEWS - NOVEMBER 25 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING NOVEMBER 25 2012.

GAREC 2012 was hosted by MARTS

Dale Hughes VK1DSH to chair ITU Committee

WIA BOARD TALK EWAN VK4ERM

VK4TUB Wormhole FBBS back online

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING NOV 25 2012.

Australian is new head of ITU committee

The International Telecommunications Union Working Party 5A1, dealing with
amateur radio, has met to discuss the 5 MHz proposal for the next World Radio
Conference in 2015 and a change concerning the use of PSK31.

Under the Chairmanship of Brennan Price N4QX it met in Geneva, Switzerland
this month.

The discussions about 5 MHz are at an early stage. A Canadian contribution
on the Spectral Occupancy between 5250-5450 kHz was discussed and carried
over to the next meeting.

A recommendation, ITU-R M. [VARICODE], that seeks to establish a telegraphic alphabet and transmission protocols for PSK31, was accepted by the Working Party.

Among its other work done is the continued updating of the Amateur and Amateur-Satellite Service Handbook published by the ITU.

During the final plenary meeting, the Chairman Brennan Price N4QX announced his retirement. He was thanked for his contributions over the past few years. Dale Hughes VK1DSH was proposed and will Chair the next meeting in May.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

KOLD TURNS 90

The founder of the world's most remote radio station, Radio KOLD Antarctica, turned 90 this week.

Steve Grimsley VK2ZP set up Radio KOLD at Wilkes Base in 1961, and the station is still broadcasting.

Family, friends and former colleagues gathered in the NSW town of Binalong to celebrate Steve's birthday.

Radio KOLD was notorious for beginning its broadcast day very early in the morning.

"Well the object of that of course was to get everybody out of bed and get them off to breakfast, but it wasn't very well received" Mr Grimsley laughed.

Professor Mark Hunt, the Casey Research Station Leader called in to wish Mr Grimsley a happy birthday and tell about the state of Radio KOLD today.

"Radio KOLD is on an FM frequency these days, 102.5, and it still keeps the station in music all through the day," Professor Hunt said.

"We share it around so that different people get to choose the music each day and that can either be an education, or it can be something of a pain," Professor Hunt added.

GAREC 2012 was hosted by MARTS

The 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference was held in Port Dickson, Malaysia.

Attending the conference on November 12 to 14 were delegates from nine countries under this year's theme of 'One world, One commitment'.

Among the presentations was one on the Mobile Emergency Weather System which assists authorities using simple equipment and training.

There were status reports from various countries and these highlighted the differences and similarities in approach to emergency planning.

While solutions may not be easy to find, sharing the problems and allowing individual countries to recognise that they were not alone, provides valuable support to the Global community.

GAREC-2012 included two practical activities. These enhanced inter-personal relationships enabling delegates to work together more efficiently in future.

Future conferences may seek to involve partners in emergency response, such as the International Federation of the Red Cross and the ITU, in accord with the existing Memoranda of Understanding.

The delegates thanked the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society in hosting this successful conference.

The next GAREC is in Zurich, Switzerland on June 25 to 27, 2013. All groups and organisations involved in Amateur Radio Emergency Communications are invited to attend to share their knowledge and learn from others.

WIA BOARD TALK

President Phil Wait VK2ASD vk2asd@wia.org.au
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VK6POP Bob Bristow has put out a call to all the broadcasters via the wiabroadcasters@yahoogroup.com asking for ideas how this VK1WIA National News can best be delivered live from Perth May 24-25 from the WIA Conference and AGM.

So if you haven't yet put in your 2 bobs worth have a re-read and get back to both vk6pop@wia.org.au AND vk4bb@wia.org.au

Greetings Everyone, from the President and Board of the WIA.

Recently residents in southeast Queensland and northern New South Wales have been reminded just how rapidly damaging storms can generate and how little time there is to prepare our property for an onslaught. There is plenty of information available on the preparation of homes, yards, outside furniture and personal survival items but radio amateurs face additional concerns and decisions related to their hobby and assets.

How many of us have compiled and refined a checklist of things to do in preparation for storms and the curly wind season and another for when the arrival of them is imminent?

Each amateur station has its own unique characteristics which determine the sequence of preventive maintenance inspections and actions to maximise the chances of station survival. For example, are tower guys still sound? The external galvanising may appear good but has internal corrosion started and lowered the breaking strain of the cable? Can all cabling to the tower, both RF and control, be rapidly disconnected and widely separated from your equipment, ideally outside onto the ground? Can the station be isolated from mains power? Can the station ground be easily and quickly disconnected and physically separated from the station equipment? Does your telescopic tower need to be fully extended when not in use?

As we leave our home, for whatever reason, have we done the simple things to increase the probability of the survival of our station equipment in the

even a tempest strikes in our absence? Perhaps we adopt the 'She'll be right Mate!' attitude but this is not a consoling recollection as you dismantle the fried equipment and consign it to history and ponder what went wrong.
The 'If only I had' thoughts are not worth much in the aftermath of station damage.

So please pick up pen and paper and work out your plan of preventive inspection and maintenance plus the actions and their sequence to be taken in preparing your station to ride out a storm or curly wind especially those that arrive at short notice or unexpectedly.

This has been Ewan VK4ERM for the WIA Board

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

The Homebrew Constructors Group of Amateur Radio Victoria will meet Saturday December 8 at 2pm, 40g Victory Boulevard, Ashburton for a 'show and tell' day.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

VK4TUB Wormhole FBBS back online

After a break of 7 years the VK4TUB Wormhole FBBS is back up and running, as part of the resurgence of Packet Radio now sweeping the world.

Tubby/VK4TUB has been missing his packet fix since closing the FBBS in 2005, and recently became aware of several issues in the world-wide hobby of Amateur Radio that is spurring renewed interest in the mode of operation.

The Tubster reports that the failure of commercial and community based digital services based on mobile phone networks during extreme weather events and the protocol wars in the digital radio scene has seemed to kept Packet Radio alive in Europe and the USA and he is surprised but pleased to see many new Packet BBS popping up in countries like Spain, Japan and Canada.

The keen interest in APRS has also led some hams to give the mode of operation it is based on a bit of a go and have become hooked.

So, how do you access the VK4TUB Wormhole FBBS ?

The system is currently running one radio port on 145.175MHz at a data speed of 1200baud with 10 connection channels available.

The system is currently running one telnet port with 7 channels configured as either user or forward type.

To connect on radio, fire up your favourite terminal program, plug in that old TNC and in command mode issue c vk4tub-3 to get the login message and bbs prompt.

To find out more or arrange registered access on the telnet port, drop Tubby a line on this special wormhole email address

wormhole15@hotmail.com

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

REAST November Show and Tell night

A very inspiring evening of show and tell.

Tom VK7TL showed a stereo microscope

Ric VK7RO showed his interesting vernier drive and Atlas Transceiver he has restored,

Bob VK7ZL his digital QRP transmitter and active antenna,

Warren VK7FEET showed a homebrewed CW paddle and 40m CW QRP transmitter from the 1960's used at the Antarctic Division and it still works!,

Andrew VK7FAAJ showed a 1920s Howe crystal receiver he is about to start restoring,

Justin VK7TW showed his VK3XU design valve 160/80m transmitter and CMOS4000 car alarm.

The highlight of the evening was Tony VK7TU, with his homebrewed calculator, audio spectrum analyser, computer trainer and lighting controllers.

(73, Justin, VK7TW)

What use is an f-call? (20120415)

Arthur C Clarke pointed out that "Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic" and so it is with Amateur Radio.

We're celebrating over a century of radio and most of that is about learning, about transforming knowledge, applying that and coming up with new solutions for problems.

What use is an F-call started 44 episodes ago. During that time I've talked about what Amateur Radio is about, what you can do with a Foundation Call, how to involve yourself in the hobby, how to ask questions, where to go for help and many other topics. As I've said all along, I'm a new Amateur. I've been in this hobby less than two years and every day I learn something new.

>From the feedback I'm getting, what I'm doing is striking a chord for many Amateurs and I'm happy that it does. Ultimately, the aim of this is to encourage Amateurs to experiment, to talk, to interact and to not be afraid

to make mistakes. Some of those topics are specific to new hams, but some might relate to you even if you've had a license for much longer.

I'd like to see "What use is an F-call" evolve into something that you can participate in. Your contribution might be a simple email that tells of an experience you had at some time, or it might be an outline of an idea that you'd like to see discussed.

For me, Amateur Radio is magical. It's a technically challenging hobby that encourages me to investigate and learn.

What does Amateur Radio mean for you?

If you'd like to get in touch, my email address is vk6flab@harg.org.au

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

A TRUE ACT OF TRUE HUMANITY

It isn't often that you hear a story like this, but when you do it makes one proud to be a member of the human race.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW reports:

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Gene "Bean" Baxter is a personality of CBS Radio's KROQ-FM in Los Angeles. He has entertained L.A. audiences since 1990 alongside on-the-air partner Kevin Ryder, as part of the "Kevin and Bean" morning show team.

In addition to making a multitude of over the air friends, Bean, as he is known, has also created longstanding relationships with those inside the KROQ offices. In that vein he recently announced that he will become a kidney donor to help a long-time staffer. The recipient of Bean's generosity will be Scott Mason, N1CBS, who is the Director of Engineering for CBS radio on the West Coast, and who has been with the company in a variety of capacities since 1979.

On November 13th, the two will go to Cedars Sinai Medical Centre which is one of only four hospitals in the country that have the ability to match Mason's blood type to that of Bean and give him the much needed organ. Bean then plans to take a few weeks off from work, and expects his remaining kidney to function at about 80%.

Out of this whole process, Bean hopes that people will see how easy it is to become an organ

donor. He also believes that if he recovers
quickly and is back to work in a short time, it
may deliver an even stronger message, changing
the minds of some and raising awareness of organ donation.

This will be the second transplant for Mason, who
has had kidney problems for most of his adult
life. He underwent a previous transplant from a
cadaver in 1999 that lasted about 10 years. He
currently undergoes daily dialysis and calls
Bean's decision to donate a kidney to him as a
game changer. Bean Baxter calls it a no-brainer.

Wishing them both Mason and Bean a quick recovery
from this upcoming and life changing surgery,
I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Scott Mason has been on a waiting list for a
kidney, which sometimes is a six to 10 year wait,
when Bean offered his kidney. For Bean Baxter,
it was an educational process and a decision
based on math, not emotions. He said that Mason
has zero kidneys and that he has two. You can
hear the full discussion with Bean Baxter and
Scott Mason on Kevin and Bean audio archive at
tinyurl.com/radio-kidney-donation

(KROQ Audio Archive, ARNewsLine)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL,
Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

WORK PROCEEDING ON RECOVERY OF AO-27

AMSAT Oscar 27 is down but not out.

This according to controllers who are working to return of the satellites FM
repeater back to service.

Here's the back story.

In early October AO-27 was restored to running on its primary boot loader
program. Control operators were able to turn on the Transmitter for a
short time on several occasions. Also required were multiple recoveries to
a stuck AFSK modem.

During recovery efforts AO-27 crashed a couple of times.

Then the transmitter was left on in an attempt to discharge the batteries
with the hope that faults could be cleared. Once the battery was recharged
the high-level software aboard AO-27 ran for a few seconds before locking up.

The team was able to reset it back to the boot loader yet again.

Telemetry indicates AO-27 is locking up while fetching telemetry from the hardware. As such, controllers say that it does not look like there will be a quick resolution to this crash.

In the meantime the AO-27 controllers are asking the ham radio public not to attempt to use AO-27 if you hear it in Analogue mode. This to prevent interfering with the command team's recovery efforts.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

BOEING UNVEILS EMP DRONE

>From our technology page, it appears as if science fiction has become a military fact. This after a successful missile test has ushered in a new era of warfare in which the military can take out electronic targets without destroying a single building or harming human beings.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is here with the story:

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According to news reports, back on October 16th an experimental missile called CHAMP fired bursts of high power microwave energy at an unoccupied site to damage computers and other electronic systems during a test at the Utah Test and Training Range. The Counter Electronics High Power Microwave Advanced Missile Project flew over the Utah test site and brought down the compound's entire spectrum of electronic systems, apparently without producing any other damage at all. Even cameras recording the test was shut down.

Keith Coleman is the CHAMP program manager for Boeing Phantom Works. He says that in the near future this technology may be used to render an enemy's electronic and data systems useless even before the first troops or aircraft arrive.

The idea of using microwaves or electromagnetic pulses to knock out electronic systems without having to reduce cities or military bases to rubble first arose during Cold War nuclear tests. There scientists found that explosions created electromagnetic pulses that damaged some civilian power grids and other facilities.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL

TEN COMMANDMENTS OF ELECTRONICS

1. Beware of the lighting that lurks in an undischarged capacitor lest it cause three to be bounced upon thy backside in a most ungentle manly manner.

2. Cause thou the switch that supplies large quantities juice to be opened and thus tagged, so thy days may be long in the world.

3. Prove to thy self that all circuits that radiateth, and upon which thou worketh, are grounded lest they lift thee to high frequency potential and cause thee to radiate.

4. Take care thou useth the proper method when thou taketh the measure of high voltage circuits so that thou doth not incinerate both thee and the meter, for verily, though hast no account number and can be easily replaced, the meter doth have one and as a consequence bringeth much woe upon the supply department.

5. Tarry not amongst those who engage in intentional shocks, for the yare surely non-believers and not long for this world.

6. Take care thou tampereth not with interlocks and safety devices, for this will incur the wrath of thy seniors and bring the fury of the safety officer down upon thy head and shoulder.

7. Work not upon energised equipment, for if thou doeth, thy buddies will surely be buying beer without thee, and the space at the bar will be filled by another.

8. Verily I say unto thee, NEVER service high voltage equipment alone, for electric cooking is a slothful process, and thou might sizzle for hours on end before thy maker sees fit to end thy misery and drag thee into his fold.

9. Trifle not with radioactive equipment les thou commence to glow in the dark like unto a lightning bug.

10. Commit thee to memory the words of the prophets, which are written in instruction books, which giveth thou the straight dope, and which consoleth thee, and thou canst not make mistakes.

Courtesy of Historical Radio Society of Australia Inc. - SA Group

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

As this news penetrates the ether 2 contests, completely different, are in full force!...

Hello I'm Felix VK4FUQ.

CQ'S DX Contest, CW and the WIA Spring VHF / UHF Field Day November 24-25

then 3 BIGGIES BEFORE 2013 ROLLS AROUND,

ARRL 160 MTR CONTEST November 30
RTTY Melee December 1
ARRL 10 m Contest December 8- 9

WITH SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE WE LEARN OF ANOTHER OPERATION FROM "THE SAND PIT".

Yes it's an Afghanistan operation.

Mike, KI4MRH, is active as T 6 MH from Afghanistan, and expects to be there until October 2013.

Activity will be on 80-10 meters (no 30m) using SSB and the Digital modes of (PSK-31 / PSK-63 / JT-65).

He will use 100 watts (SSB) and 30 watts (Digital) into a 40 meter Inverted Vee and a 20 meter vertical.

This past week Mike has been really active on 20/17/15 meters using the Digital modes.

Also, OPDX. was informed that he now has a QSL Manager, so QSL via W 2 GR.

Special Event Station - GB 0 IDD

UN International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Wakefield District Radio Society will be operating the Special Event Station GB 0 IDD (International Disability Day) over the weekend of 1st, 2nd,and 3rd December from the Wakefield 23rd Troop Scout HQ in Celebration of the day.

This United Nations sponsored "Day of Action" takes place each year to raise awareness and understanding of disability issues and to promote the independence, inclusion and choice of disabled people and their rights, abilities and well-being worldwide.

This year's theme is

"Removing barriers to create an inclusive and accessible society for all".

Wakekefield District Radio Society has around 30% of its' members who are disabled in one way or another.

Operation will be mainly (but not exclusively SSB) on the Bands 14 - 28MHz

AWARDS

Victorian National Parks Weekend a success

Over three days an estimated 400 QSOs were amassed by operators who went portable in the numerous National Parks in Victoria to give contacts toward the Keith Roget Memorial National Parks Award.

The vibe seemed good with so many stations activating the parks last Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Award Manager, Tony Hambling VK3VTH said thank you to all who put National Parks to air and those who contacted them.

Some of those in National Parks had a dual task of putting mountain tops in the log books, under the Summits Of The Air or SOTA program.

For example Peter Fraser VK3ZPF activated six National Parks and one SOTA summit, mostly with QRP into a squid pole antenna, including working Madagascar on 5 watts.

The Alpine National Park and a SOTA was activated by Warren Brown VK3BYD on 40-Metres CW, giving those chancing the mode a rare opportunity.

Peter Freeman VK3PF, at eight National Parks and five peaks, praised the considerate operations and QSYing on the 40-Metres frequency.

Jim Linton VK3PC said that "Unfortunately the weather went against Duncan Maughan VK3XBC. Despite several attempts, a storm with hail and snow got in his way."

Oh well there's the next event, which Tony VK3VTH has revealed will be November 15 to 17 in 2013, and he looks forward to issuing new award certificates.

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Top Monitoring Service Award

John Martin ZL1GWE the NZART Monitoring Service Officer, advises the recipient of this year's award goes once again to Phillip Conza ZL2TZE. On congratulating Phillip on behalf of NZART Council and members, John Martin thanked ZL2TZE for his continued efforts.

Mysterious Chinese signals on our bands

Wolf, DK2OM, Coordinator IARU Monitoring System (IARUMS) Region 1 reports on strange Chinese signals in the amateur radio bands.

Since Oct. 25 we are suffering from mysterious Chinese signals on 7, 14, 21 and 21010 kHz. At first the A3E signals were sounding like grunt or moo. Now we are receiving very strong multitone signals with a carrier and both sidebands every morning.

The signals are also audible on 15000 (disturbing the time signal from RWM Moscow), 18000, 19000 and 20000 kHz. The purpose is unknown, perhaps a special kind of encrypted broadcast or a new generation of OTH radar?

Please inform your national PTTs for official complaints! Wolf has informed the German PTT.

Wolf also reports that a taxi company in the Russian Federation is transmitting FM on 21404.2 kHz daily and all day. He says you can often hear a female voice organizing the business. DK2OM asks we use this frequency for amateur traffic daily.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Sunita Williams sends warm wishes to kids on Children's Day

D.N.A. India reports that ISS Commander Sunita Williams KD 5 PLB used Ham Radio to send a special 'Children's Day' message from space to children in India

They say:

"Sunita Williams conveyed warm wishes to kids on the occasion of Children's Day celebrations," Gujarat Science City's senior scientist Narottam Sahoo said about the interactive session which was approved by USA's National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

A team of experts set up a Ham Radio link that connected to the ISS through a centre in Italy, he said, adding that it is the first ever communication to be received by school children of any state in India, after Williams left for her second space expedition this July.

For 20 children, it was a memorable day to interact with Williams through Ham Radio at the government-runt Science City.

Read the DNA India story at
http://www.dnaindia.com/india/report_sunita-williams-sends-warm-wishes-to-kids-on-children-s-day_1764631

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

>From Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group, I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP

Continuing its long tradition of support of amateur radio, Icom Australia has donated an HF transceiver for use by the Special Event Station VI4ASJ. Icom has most recently been the donors of D-Star Repeater equipment around many of the major population centres of Australia and its support of the hobby is evident in its paid advertising in Wireless Institute of Australia journal, Amateur Radio.

As time grows shorter, activity at the Jamboree site on the Fraser Coast of Queensland is stepping up a notch or three in preparation for the 14 to 15 thousand scouts and leaders gathering from Australia and overseas. Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park will be home to the participants

and activities planned include excursions as far away as Bundaberg and the sandy peace of Fraser Island.

Almost as a trial for the real event, storms tore property apart throughout southern Queensland over the weekend just gone. One of the victims was the multiband vertical belonging to Albert, VK4POW which had been erected for JOTA and now requires replacement parts from its USA manufacturer. This antenna will not be joining Albert at AJ2013.

The shopping list is being refined as the equipment for VI4ASJ is adjusted and the members of the local radio club, MERG get ready for the biggest event in the club's history.

Reporting for WIA National News, I'm Geoff, VK4ZPP.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Earthquake in Guatemala

The rescue and relief work in San Marcos, Guatemala, a mountainous region bordering Mexico that was hit by a 7.4 scale earthquake claiming the lives of at least 52 people earlier this month, was aided by emergency communications provided by radio amateurs.

International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 Emergency Communication Coordinator, Cesar Pio Santos HR2P said he was very proud of the work done during and after the earthquake on November 8, despite the difficult times.

Cesar HR2P thanked the members of the Club de Radioficionados de Guatemala for their outstanding efforts. He was responding to a report from Marco Aurelio TG 8 AMP, who was in charge of the emergency network.

About 10,000 houses have been affected by the earthquake with authorities setting up 11 rescue centres for the homeless.

It was the worst to hit Guatemala since 1976, when a 7.5 magnitude earthquake caused the deaths of about 23,000 people in one of the worst natural disasters of the time, again helped by the work of amateur radio.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

NOV 25 VK3 SPARC HAMFEST AT ROSEBUD

DEC 1 VK7 Miena Hamfest

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

MAY 24-25 VK6 WIA AGM AND CONFERENCE IN PERTH

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

NOV 3 VK5 hamfest Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society 2 Goodwood.

NOV 15-17 VK3 Victorian National Parks Weekend

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wia.org.au

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

2351. eHam.net News for Friday 23 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-23 23:04:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61522a69b3e304cf319954@google.com>
Source record: 1468
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hams Help with Communication After Guatemala Earthquake:

Posted: 22 Nov 2012 04:14 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29379

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2352. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 23 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 03:27:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fcf9121b04cf354677@google.com>
Source record: 1469
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Volunteer Connection: Amateur radio a key component of disaster
preparedness - Journal Times

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 03:36 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF3LCZ0U30an22lh5tSG49_-v9VSw&url=http://www.journaltimes.com/lifestyles/senior_news/volunteer-connection-amateur-radio-a-key-component-of-disaster-preparedness/article_a592cdc0-31d3-11e2-aa9c-001a4bcf887a.html

Volunteer Connection: Amateur radio a key component of disaster preparedness
Journal Times
RSVP-Racine County offers more than a half dozen Disaster Preparedness
Volunteer stations: including two complementary amateur (ham)
organizations: the Racine County Amateur Radio Emergency Services and the
Megacycle Club. Both organizations ...

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Emergency Operating Center activated - ham radio volunteers help -
Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 21 Nov 2012 11:07 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHTKspg53cTboIK-9HpHAQgU7mUrw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/emergency_operating_center_activated.htm

Emergency Operating Center activated - ham radio volunteers help
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Emergency Operating Center activated - ham radio volunteers help. The Daily
Astorian reports on the part played by radio amateurs Don Hillgaertner
WA7TEM and Frank Van Winkle KD7NNQ during a flood alert. The newspaper
reports that by Monday ...

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Ham Radio Fan Saves US Bacon: - eHam.net

Posted: 19 Nov 2012 09:39 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGrvA__tkeSyYtttd8Bt6wm5d5v8A&url=http://www.eham.net/articles/29356

Ham Radio Fan Saves US Bacon:
eHam.net
Amateur radio fan Benny Young, from Tyrone, was tuning in on his hut-based
hobby when he heard a mayday call from a plane over the Atlantic. But the
United Airlines captain, en route from Dublin to Boston, wasnt able to
reach flight controllers in ...

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Astronaut Suni Williams Enthralls 1000 Flagler Students in a Ham Radio Chat ... - FlaglerLive.com

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 04:11 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4WP-rTv0GGZjXRooEuKCCQ_sy0A&url=http://flaglerlive.com/46845/ham-radio-iss/

FlaglerLive.com
Astronaut Suni Williams Enthralls 1000 Flagler Students in a Ham Radio Chat ...
FlaglerLive.com
It all happened in front of a packed gym at Indian Trails Middle School, Williamss voice coming across as cracklingly clear as through any standard phone connection, thanks to the work of Bob Matson, Mike Lee and their Flagler Palm Coast Amateur Radio ...

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Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts - Beach Reporter

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 06:07 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG27r3_9bICOpgsZqnDMuyUnPTf_g&url=http://tbrnews.com/news/hermosa_beach/amateur-radio-association-serves-community-works-with-local-scouts/article_5efd6882-2947-11e2-86ce-0019bb2963f4.html

Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts
Beach Reporter
It is home to the citys Amateur Radio Association, which occupies the northeast corner of the EOC, alongside police and fire communication centers, while the center of the room serves for training police, fire and emergency volunteer workers. The ...

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27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 11:45 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHJBi4mvzZmzcoxMX0EGmmp48ABWQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/27th_cars_foundation_course.htm

Southgate Amateur Radio Club
27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course
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27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course. The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding their 27th Foundation training course starting Thursday, January 10. The course, to be held at Danbury Village Hall, is six Thursday evenings ...

2353. [RAC-Bulletin] [IARU-R2-News 245] EmCor R2 in Honduras

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 05:57:28 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50B0613B.2030108@rac.ca>
Source record: 1470
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

[IARU-R2-News 245] EmCor R2 in Honduras
2012-11-23

The President of Honduras, Mr. Porfirio Lobo Sosa, inaugurated the Regional Center II of the Permanent Commission of Contingencies, (COPECO) on Thursday, November 22, 2012.

This is one of the five new regional and logistic centers of COPECO and is equipped with a seismological and a meteorological station.

In another center, COPECO has a meteorological radar capable of regional coverage that includes other countries of the zone, like Guatemala, Nicaragua and El Salvador.

The Commissioned Minister of COPECO, Lisandro Rosales, stated to Dr. Cesar P�o Santos, HR2P, IARU Region 2 Emergency Coordinator, his recognition of the important role of radio amateurs, especially when conventional communications collapse in cases of disasters.

Also present at the event was the President Pro Tempore of the Coordination Center for the Prevention of Natural Disasters in Central America (CEPREDENAC) and General Director of the National Civilian Protection System of Panama (SINAPROC), Mr. Arturo Alvarado de Icaza, who also mentioned the good relationship existing in his country with the radio amateurs. Dr. Cesar P�o Santos congratulated him on the openness of the Panamanian government towards the radio amateurs by allowing the adhesion of that country to the IARP convention (International Amateur Radio Permit), which can be of great help in disaster situations.

In the picture,

<http://www.iaru-r2.org/wp-content/uploads/presidente-honduras-500x401.jpg>

from left to right, the Commissioned Minister of COPECO, Lisandro Rosales, the President of the Republic of Honduras, Licenciado Porfirio Lobo Sosa, and Dr. Cesar P�o Santos, HR2P, IARU Region 2 Emergency Coordinator, at the event.

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2354. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-066E - Bill Unger, VE3XT Ontartio North/East DirectorAcclaimed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 06:01:09 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50B06267.9070705@rac.ca>
Source record: 1471
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-066E - Bill Unger, VE3XT Ontartio North/East
Director Acclaimed
2012-11-22

Congratulations are extended to Mr. Bill Unger, VE3XT who was recently acclaimed as the RAC Director for Ontario North East. Mr. Unger ran unopposed, eliminating the need for a balloted election. His term as Director will be for two years starting January 1, 2013 and ending on December 31, 2014.

Mr. Unger has been an amateur operator since 1970 and has been involved in many aspects of the hobby.

G Linda Friars, VE9GLF - Radio Amateurs of Canada
Insurance Program Administrator - Acting Corporate Secretary

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2355. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 24 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 11:30:11 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93a168d8e079204cf3c054a@google.com>
Source record: 1472
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Radio Hams first to discover disappearance of Sandy Island

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JxaevMiWnao/radio_hams_first_to_discover_disappearance_of_sandy_island.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Daily Mail newspaper notes that radio amateurs first reported Sandy
Island didn't exist over 12 years ago

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Telephone exchange fire cuts off communication

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2_P63YGIkNA/telephone_exchange_fire_cuts_off_communication.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In one of the most severe outages in Australia in recent memory, a fire at
the Warrnambool telephone exchange in southwest of the state of Victoria,
caught fire early on Thursday affected 60,000 people over a wide area

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ARISS school contact planned November 29, 2012 with school in Switzerland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rxGOYtJh0b0/ariss_event_2911.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school contact
has been planned 29 November 2012 with participants at Liceo Linguistico
and Scuola Media, Basel, Switzerland

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bZC6x4z1nRY/dxcc_report_2411.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Friday,
16th-November, through Friday, 23rd-November there were 236 countries active

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Youngsters On The Air - Summer 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QEBLjhgLP2A/youngsters_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During the summer of 2013, a youth radio camp 'Youngsters On The Air' will
be held in Estonia, organized by the Estonian Radio Amateurs Union

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24th Anniversary of BCDX Net

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kEPgcZ4XtmM/bcdx_net_anniversary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The weekly BCDX Net operating on the 40 Meter Amateur Radio Band in South
India is celebrating its 24th anniversary on November 25

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RSGB Spectrum Forum and ETCC Minutes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tFIsmAqvUV4/rsgb_spectrum_forum_and_etcc_minutes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The minutes of the recent meetings of the RSGB Spectrum Forum and the ETCC
are now available on the RSGB website

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EmCor R2 in Honduras

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z3VkayQvlsA/emcor_r2_in_honduras.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MMs1BwYyBXw/november_24.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

2356. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 24 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 17:20:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fcedd83104cf40e88c@google.com>
Source record: 1473
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Land Ops Search & Rescue Op

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 06:42 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369472-Land-Ops-Search-amp-Rescue-Op&goto=newpost

Land Ops is hosting another Nav-Comm Tactical Event

Free membership, free event. RSVP required!

LOGIJSUREFIRE.jpg

California Desert Operation

Attached Images

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(92.2 KB)

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So, just a question about contests in general...

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 10:26 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369412-So-just-a-question-about-contests-in-general&goto=newpost

From what I've read about contesting the general feeling in the ham community is, like a certain president, you either love it or hate it. Last weekend was the big sweepstakes contest and I figured I'd join in an get my feet wet. I did hear some guys yelling "freq in use" several times but not actually participating, I suppose because they're in the anti-contesting camp. But anyway I made 27 contacts in about an hour which about tripled my logbook. (Can you tell I'm a rookie?) So it was just good experience for me. My question is, since I wasn't intending to actually/officially enter the contest and send in any logs, do my contacts still count for the guys I worked? I wouldn't them to have wasted their time....

And another question, one guy told me I was off frequency but I thought I had him zeroed in pretty well. Is there some trick to making sure you're spot on, other than by ear and 4 or 5 decimal places on the display? Not looking to get flamed here; that's why I didn't post in the General section. Thanks.

2357. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 24 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 17:57:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303349e326d8ab04cf416d9f@google.com>
Source record: 1474
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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There is a new release of LOG4OM in time for this weekends contest!

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 10:01 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369409-There-is-a-new-release-of-LOG4OM-in-time-for-this-weekends-contest!&goto=newpost

The latest release of the Free logging software LOG4OM is now available.

This release has the following features and fixes...

New features

☐ New redesigned Award management with "all in one" screen.

☐ Cluster management works on it's own thread, deploying information when

refreshing to increase responsiveness.

☐ QSL management and QSO management search button now is connected to RETURN

when focus is set on call sign filter.

☐ Added a filter save feature

☐ Added a selectable list of values for the main search parameters

Issues resolved

☐ Fixed an issue with EQSL/LOTW match in the proximity of the midnight

☐ Fixed an issue that prevented correct upload of Clublog under some

circumstances

☐ Resolved issue of distance and bearing now displaying in fields

☐ Resolved issue when clicking on the name of the country giving a blank
screen

in statistics and awards

☐ Call sign search in Post Office now improved

☐ DXCC Code sort order in the ARRL Awards screen now works

☐ Improved the ADIF import

☐ If QRZ or HAMQTH are down there is now a time out timer

☐ Validated and verified are now the same

☐ Country worked statistics is now updating in external detached screen

☐ DXCC Award RTTY now works correctly

☐ Fixed `Submitted' issue in the Awards tab

Download the program and the latest user guide
fromhttp://www.pisto.it/wordpress/log4om-en/

Good luck in CQWW this weekend!

73 Terry G4POP

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Des Moines jammer caught

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 05:29 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369389-Des-Moines-jammer-caught&goto=newpost

According to an article in the Des Moines Register, a local man has been
caught jamming with police communications and transmitting false reports.

Quote:

A Webster Township man programmed a radio to the Des Moines Police
Department☐s communications frequency and used it to impersonate an officer
while calling in nonexistent car crashes and fires, police said.

Kevin Grimes, 22, now faces 28 counts of obstructing emergency
communications and eight counts of impersonating public officials.

Searching the database reveals an Amateur Radio operator of that name in
the area.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1841 November 23 2012

Posted: 22 Nov 2012 10:57 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369378-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1841--November-2
3-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1841 ☐ November 23 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1841 with a release date of November
23, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Hams in China develop a new digital protocol based
on their own written language while mystery signals are being heard on the
High Frequency bands coming from that nation. Find out the details are on
these stories and more on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1841 coming

your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: NEW CHINESE DATA MODE CP-16 ANNOUNCED

China makes news again this week with word that hams in that nation have developed their own new data mode. One based on characters in the Chinese alphabet. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

2358. SARL News in English 24/11/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 18:12:35 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <C9E672D428D741B488B6C8B0E9780223@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1475
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 25 November 2012

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Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it must be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent recently. They are:

That of Mike Muir, ZS6MUI, in the early hours of last Saturday the 17th November.

The other one is that of Buddy McCullen,ZS1MP. He was the holder of the a Jack Twine Merit Award (1986) and a Willy Wilson Gold Badge (1994).

We extend our deepest sympathies to the relatives and friends of the deceased and in particular to Annie, the wife of Mike, ZS6MUI.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

ALL RADIO AMATEURS WILL HAVE TO REAPPLY FOR THEIR LICENSES

SARL ROADMAP TO REGULATORY REFORM

5 MHz PILOT FREQUENCIES FOR PROPAGATION STUDIES

THE 2013 SARL AGM

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

ALL RADIO AMATEURS WILL HAVE TO REAPPLY FOR THEIR LICENSES

At the ICASA/SARL Liaison committee meeting held this week, ICASA informed the SARL that following a qualified audit by the Auditor

General, ICASA has been instructed to implement regulation 15 of the Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations which stipulate that an amateur radio license can only be renewed for up to five years after which an new application has to be submitted. All Radio Amateurs will be required to re-apply for a license for the period of 1 April 2013 till 31 March 2018. Payment of the annual license fee can be made annually or for the full 5 year period in which case a discounted rate applies.

Details are expected to be gazetted in the next few weeks. Do nothing right now. SARLNEWS will keep you informed and the requirements, procedure and the necessary forms will be made available on www.sarl.org.za after the publication of the Government Gazette.

Stay tuned to SARL News or visit the web site frequently. New information will be published as soon as it comes to hand.

SARL ROADMAP TO REGULATORY REFORM

The SARL Roadmap to regulatory reform will be discussed at a meeting with ICASA on 3 December when a working committee will be formed to explore the various regulatory issues pertaining to amateur radio. The Roadmap is available on www.sarl.org.za, select Amateur Radio Today and follow the links.

5 MHz PILOT FREQUENCIES FOR PROPAGATION STUDIES

The process was taken a step further at this week's liaison meeting. Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, is working with the ICASA person in charge of spectrum to identify at least two channels for propagation and sharing studies. ICASA gave an undertaking to speed up the process and has given end January 2013 as the date when they expect the process to be finalised.

Radio amateurs and shortwave listeners can assist by monitoring the segment 5 250 - 5 450 kHz. Stations currently licenced in this section of the band are 5 kHz apart. Details of the proposed research project can be found at www.sarl.org.za, select Amateur Radio today.

NASA PHONESAT COMING SOON TO AMATEUR RADIO

Scientists at NASA's Ames Research Centre have built the most affordable amateur band satellite to date. Amateur Radio Newline carried the following details: The $3 500 orbital device is a cubesat the size of a coffee cup that uses an off-the-shelf Nexus One smartphone as a central processor and an inexpensive off the shelf radio for communications with the ground.

Called PhoneSat 1, the tiny bird is scheduled to launch by the end of this year or early 2013. Once on-orbit it will transmit back photos of Earth on an amateur radio band for 10 days, or until the battery dies.

Subsequent iterations will be capable of much more. For example, PhoneSat 2.0 will have a two-way S-band radio transponder which most satellites use to communicate with the ground and solar panels for

extended life.

THE 2013 SARL AGM

It is that time of the year when the SARL starts preparing for the AGM.

The 2013 AGM wil be hosted by the West Rand Amateur Radio Club and will be held on 27 April 2013 at the National Amateur Radio Centre.

Clubs and members are reminded that the closing date for submitting motions to be discussed at the AGM, is 31 January.

Die SARL Council requests all affiliated clubs to submit a nomination for at least one councillor. This does not affect the normal nominations by individual members. It is, however, a fact that the SARL Council has a lot of work and needs willing and able councillors for this. A councillor must be nominated and seconded by an SARL member or affiliated club and be accompanied by a short amateur radio based CV and his signed statement that he is willing to serve as a councillor. Councillors should be experienced amateurs who can spend some hours per week on SARL business and can take part in council teleconference meetings.

There is no reason to delay until the last minute. Submit your motions and nominations now.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

The ease and economy of communication by electronic means and the rising price of snail-mail communication, causes the SARL to use emails and SMSs to an ever increasing extent.

To enable the SARL to communicate with you, please ensure that your contact details are correct on the SARL database. This includes your email address, your phone and cell phone numbers, as well as your postal address. It can be checked by looking up your own call sign in the online call book and clicking on 'update'. This works for all records on the database, so it is not necessary to log on as a member.

The database is updated weekly. Take note that ICASA does not notify the SARL of any changes to your contact details or address. It is your responsibility to update your information with both the SARL and ICASA.

The Council of the SARL would like to encourage members who have no email address to acquire one. It is easy, convenient and inexpensive. There may come a time when snail mail communication of some items will no longer be worthwhile and they will only be communicated by electronic means.

Your membership details can also be checked by going to www.sarl.org.za/public/Membercheck.asp.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

All members who have a valid email address on the SARL database will by now have received, by email, a membership card and a receipt for their subscription payment. The receipt will also show their login password for the 'members only' section of the SARL website. For members with no email address, the information will be sent by snail mail. Due to the amount of work involved in printing the labels, filling the eNvelopes etc. there will be a delay of some days.

Members are requested to check their email addresses on the SARL database. Members with no email addresses are encouraged to obtain an address - it is cheap, easy and convenient. Even an email address operated from an Internet caf&#65533;, will be quite adequate.

Members who receive printed copies of Radio ZS, will find an SARL bumper sticker enclosed. Other members will receive their bumper stickers by snail mail. Please use the stickers, they are intended to increase the visibility of the SARL. Be proud of your membership.

NEW MEMBERS

The SARL welcomes the 110 radio amateurs who passed the October 2012 RAE, to it ranks. All these members have now been captured on the database and will have membership until the end of June 2013.

The web passwords for the new members have been sent to them. All members, but especially new members, are reminded that in order to use the forum, they have to register for it seperately.

CONTEST NEWS

RaDAR Competition Results

True RaDAR.

No one took on the challenge as a "True RaDAR" operator except that Eddie, ZS6BNE, went for a two kilometer walk prior to the contest but did not carry his kit.

Field / Mobile station.

Tienie, ZS6MHH - 276 points Eddie, ZS6BNE - 192 points Peter, ZS6IQ (Maritime mobile) - 144 points

Fixed station.

None

Despite the relatively few participants, the general feeling is that the RaDAR contest should still be hosted biannually. There will be a rules change for future RaDAR contests which will prove to be quite exciting for anyone wishing to take on the challenge.

The SARL Digital contest.

This contest will be taking place on the 2nd December 2012 and not the 25th November 2012. Apologies for the confusion.

Registration with LOTW.

If you have not yet registered with LOTW (Logbook of the World) and would like to do so, please send a copy of your licence and ID to Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, to hfmanager@sarl.org.za. If you have not received your licence yet, a letter from ICASA stating that your licence has been paid will suffice. The process normally takes about 2 days.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is decreasing compared to last week's levels. Sunspot AR1618 has experienced some decay but its magnetic canopy harbours enough enery for X-class solar flares. A sunspot is a vast island of magnetism floating on the surface of the sun. Magnetic fields bubble up from the sun's interior to form the sunspot's dark cores, much like an island forming from the lava of an undersea volcano.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 71.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequenct 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 01 December - West Rand Amateur Radio Club flea market starting at 12:00. 02 December - SARL Digital Competition. 31 January 2013 - Last day for submission of nominations for councilors for the next term and motions for the 2013 AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 18:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2359. eHam.net News for Saturday 24 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-24 23:05:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc37613c4cb04cf45bb08@google.com>
Source record: 1476
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Amateur Radio a Key Component of Disaster Preparedness:

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 02:43 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29380

It seems that natural and man-made disasters are increasingly frequent phenomena capable of striking at any time, irrespective of local, regional or international borders. The role and the extent of involvement that governments should have mitigating the effects of disasters are subjects for legitimate debate; but one constant in disaster response is the involvement of trained volunteers supplementing and enhancing the work of emergency officials. Disaster Preparedness is one of six volunteer focus areas that the Corporation for National and Community Service endorses for its Retired & Senior Volunteer Program grantees throughout the United States. RSVP-Racine County offers more than a half dozen Disaster Preparedness Volunteer stations: including two complementary amateur (ham) organizations: the Racine County Amateur Radio Emergency Services and the Megacycle Club. Both organizations operate four amateur radio stations, housed at the Volunteer Center, during emergency simulations and actual situations when cellphones and the Internet are often rendered unusable. Amateur radio is a century-old technology that is often overlooked in the 21st century world of communication options. When disaster strikes, high-tech communication often yields to ham radio, providing wireless service locally and regionally through repeater systems located in Racine County. Other equipment operates voice and Internet communications nationally and internationally on specific frequencies.

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ARNewsline Report 1841 -- Nov 23 2012:

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 07:57 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29378

The following is a QST. Hams in China
develop a new digital protocol based on their
own written language while mystery signals
are being heard on the High Frequency bands
coming from that nation. Find out the
details are on these stories and more on
Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1841
coming your way right now.

2360. HOT HOT HOT VIDEOS AND COLLEGE GIRLS SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 01:36:46 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <0cd24684-38b7-4513-8595-3b8421a52940@i2g2000pbi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1477

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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datawarehousing jobs
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2361. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 24 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 03:36:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fceb007904cf4985c5@google.com>
Source record: 1478
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning - Ridgecrest Daily
Independent

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 01:54 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF8h9bZeztxBPzyo3lcVuJuRf9UrQ&url=http://www.ridgecrestca.com/article/20121124/NEWS/121129925

Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning
Ridgecrest Daily Independent
The amendment request, should it be approved by the city council at a later date, could permit “amateur ham radio antennas and windmill towers in excess of 35 feet to be erected subject to a Conditional Use permit,” according to a city staff report.

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IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club - Southgate Amateur Radio
Club

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 01:37 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHWGe_z5T4pSjKevnSfQuh6tNI6Zw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/iota/2012/darc/november_23.htm

IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio News logo. Page last updated on: Friday, November 23, 2012. News Home Page Email this page to a friend IOTA Index. IOTA News from the. Deutscher Amateur Radio Club. 23 November, 2012. Island activities: AF-004, EA8 ...

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Emergency Operating Center activated; ham radio volunteers help - Daily
Astorian

Posted: 20 Nov 2012 10:38 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHFGxcWURe8YLVHzzWrAfQYgjEupA&url=http://www.dailyastorian.com/news/local/emergency-operating-center-activated-ham-radio-volunteers-help/article_4c994c4e-3340-11e2-be28-0019bb2963f4.html

Emergency Operating Center activated; ham radio volunteers help
Daily Astorian
As the afternoon wore on, Hillgaertner and Van Winkle continued to log data

collected from other volunteer ham radio operators in the area. Both are part of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. Their counterparts have weather stations at their places ...

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American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed - The Laconia Daily Sun

Posted: 14 Nov 2012 04:58 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFCWW3zw_96v5vMz_su-MBG23mqjQ&url=http://www.laconiadailysun.com/index.php/newsx/community-announcements/63687-c-240-american-legion-amateur-radio-operaters-needed

American Legion Amateur Radio Operaters Needed
The Laconia Daily Sun
With the loss of power, ham operators from The American Legion Amateur Radio Club(TALARC) sprang into action. The club is "a nationwide volunteer unit that can and does aid the local community, state and national emergency officials during civil or ...

2362. 20th Anniversary of rec.radio.info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 04:02:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <k8quh3iep1@reader1.panix.com>
Source record: 1479
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

In <20121123100003.15F2C33C23@panix2.panix.com> William M. Pasternak
<newsline@ix.netcom.com> writes:

>Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1841 - November 23 2012

>Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1841 with a release date of
>November 23, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

[...]

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>HAM HAPPENINGS: HAPPY 20th BIRTHDAY TO REC.RADIO.INFO

>A very happy birthday to the popular Usenet newsgroup rec.radio.info
>which is about to turn 20. This with the first articles having
>appeared back in January of 1993.

>Usenet is an electronic discussion and bulletin system that predates
>much of the Internet. It later began using the Internet to carry its
>discussion categories, known as newsgroups. Amateur radio was one of
>the very first topics to have these newsgroups.

>The rec.radio.info newsgroup carries a wide range of bulletins,
>announcements, and other informational articles about all kinds of
>radio. These include amateur, shortwave, and domestic broadcasting all
>of which are submitted by its readers and selected by its moderation
>team. Articles from rec.radio.info suitable for amateur radio
>transmission are also relayed to the amateur packet radio bulletin
>board service network.

>The rec.radio.info newsgroup can be accessed using a newsreader and
>subscription to a News Service Provider. A web-based interface to
>Usenet newsgroups, including rec.radio.info, is available from Google
>Groups at groups.google.com. (K3FU, K9YA)

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[...]

Thank you Bill. Thanks also to the K9YA Telegraph
(http://www.k9ya.org/k9ya_telegraph1.htm) for running a long-form
article on rec.radio.info in their December 2012 issue. Thanks to our
newsgroup creator, Mark Salyzyn (AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS), our two other past
moderators (David Dodell, K7DSD, and Brian Short, K7ON), as well as all
of our article contributors and readers over the past two decades.
Here's hoping for at least another successful 20 years!

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The rec.radio.info Moderation Team
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

2363. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 25 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 11:22:04 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044785111fced204cf500652@google.com>
Source record: 1481
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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SA Radio Amateurs will have to re-apply for their licenses

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aGBauwTBh0g/sa_radio_amateurs_will_have_to_re_apply_for_their_licenses.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

South African regulator ICASA has been instructed to implement regulation
15 of the Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations which stipulate that an
amateur radio license can only be renewed for up to five years after which
an new application has to be submitted

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xjSa_RbJUyo/november_25.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the solar activity is decreasing
compared to last week's levels. Sunspot AR1618 has experienced some decay
but its magnetic canopy harbours enough enery for X-class solar flares

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N0D special event station celebrating the End of the World

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AT2Lw6CqUSs/n0d.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

To celebrate this literally once in a lifetime event, Special Event Station
N0D (Now Zero Days) will be activated for three days during and after (?)
the end of the world

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Solomon Islands DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DQKULs-30MM/solomon_islands_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ralph, H44RK, has announced that he is planning a DXpedition in and around
the Solomon Islands next year via his sailing boat Hafskip

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Special event station TM1TARA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7WI-rIkPqww/tm1tara.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for special event station TM1TARA to be on air between December 8-10th. Activity is to commemorate the scientific campaigns of French polar boat 'TARA'

2364. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 25 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 17:32:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5039e8fe191204cf55327a@google.com>
Source record: 1482
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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ZK3N Tokelau Islands

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 04:06 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369639-ZK3N-Tokelau-Islands&goto=newpost

DL6JGN and DL2AWG will be active from Tokelau Islands 23 April - 8 May 2013
as ZK3N

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...kelau-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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PD35SSCS Sea Shepherd Conservation Society (SSCS)

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 02:05 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369574-PD35SSCS-Sea-Shepherd-Conservation-Society-(SSCS)&goto=newpost

The call PD35SSCS stands for the 35 year commitment and action. For the
last time this year, we will be active on the 5th of December 2012 to the
1th of January 2013. The chance to get our special QSL card are subject to
the conditions of course. We will be active on the 10, 20 and 40 meter
bands .

All QSL cards will be sent by buro

We hope to hear you on the bands

Crew PD35SSCS

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2365. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 25 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 17:37:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404edc67c0c04cf5544cb@google.com>
Source record: 1483
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Webinar - "Tower Work--Tips, Techniques, & Tools"

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 02:42 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369446-Webinar-quot-Tower-Work-Tips-Techniques-amp-Tools-quot&goto=newpost

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (www.wwrof.org) is pleased to present "Tower Work--Tips, Techniques, & Tools," a presentation outlining things we've learned from almost 100 years of combined experience, focusing on safety, cost-savings, & problem-solving.

John Crovelli W2GD & Don Daso K4ZA

Date: Wednesday, December 12

Time: 9 PM EST (Thursday, December 13 - 02:00 UTC)

Registration (free): https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/761813138

73 Ken K4ZW

2366. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 21:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121125210003.67EB233C2F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1484
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 25th November 2012

IRTS Technical Panel

The IRTS is planning to launch a new service for our membership. In our ongoing endeavours to engage more fully with our membership we have identified an area we feel could be of significant benefit to them.

The IRTS Technical Panel is a group of volunteers who have expertise in, or experience of, different aspects of amateur radio. The e-mail address irtstech /at/ irts.ie is a single point of contact for communicating with the Panel. Our aim is to help radio amateurs with technical or operational problems.

Send your question to irtstech /at/ irts.ie. . Provide as much information as possible, including details of attempts already made to deal with the issue in question.

Your query via irtstech /at/ irts.ie will be distributed to all the members of the Technical Panel and the resolution to the query e-mailed to your private e-mail address. See the October edition of Echo Ireland for further information.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group's Christmas get together takes place on Friday the 7th of December in Kilkenny city. The general plan is we intend to meet in Langton's Bar 67 John Street, Kilkenny around 7:30 to 8 o'clock. Langton's is a lively spot with a few different bars in there and a restaurant if anyone wants to get some food. A raffle will be held on the night with top prize of a handheld radio. Check out our website www.searg.com or our Facebook page for more details or directions etc. For anyone who intends coming down and maybe cannot locate us on the night you can contact the club P.R.O Sean EI2HZB on 083-1379764 who will know the whereabouts of the group.

The next monthly meeting of the South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will take place in Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. on tomorrow night Monday the 26th November. The meeting will be preceded by a committee meeting at 8.00 pm. New members are always welcome. For up-to-date news about the club you can check

our website www.searg.com and you can follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Cork Get Together

Hams in Cork will gather for their Christmas get together at their usual venue, Vienna Woods Hotel, Glanmire on Wednesday December 5th at 2000. Tickets cost 25.00 and should be booked with Dave EI4BZ on 087-6290574 or ei4bz /at/ eircom.net Please book early as last time some latecomers could not be accommodated.

Opportunity for Young Ham Radio Operators

Amateur Radio Supplies in Haverhill, Massachusetts, USA have contacted us with news of a fantastic new program to support youth activity on the HF bands. They seek to help a few lucky young hams get on the HF bands and make some contacts! Do you know any deserving young hams? They will be giving away 3 complete HF stations per year in order to support activity on the ham bands. Full details can be found at the following link http://www.amateurradiosupplies.com/youth-s/222.htm or by contacting Ger McNamara EI4GXB, IRTS Youth Coordinator.

DX News

A rare DXCC entity will be on the bands from 28 November until 9 December. This will be a multi-national group operating from Campbell Island using the callsign ZL9HR. They will be QRV on all bands and the QSL Manager is EB7DX. IRTS members will recall that an earlier DXpedition (signing ZL9CI) to Campbell Island back in January 1999 had our own DXer Declan EI6FR as one of its members.

A large Polish group will activate the west African country of Mauritania from now until 10 December. The callsign to look out for is 5T0SP and the QSL manager is SP6FXY. They will be on 160 - 6m CW, SSB and RTTY.

Retu OH4MDY is returning to Vietnam where he will reactivate his XV2RZ callsign until 10 December. He will operate on 20 - 6m CW and SSB. He requests direct QSLs to his home address in Finland.

Prefix hunters will be interested to hear of a special callsign in use in Morocco until 16 December. To celebrate 'International Tolerance Day' a special event station 5G12ITD is active. QSLs go via RW6HS.

Mike KI4MRH is now active as T6MH from Afghanistan. He expects to be there until October 2013. Activity will be on 80 - 10m and his QSL manager is W2GR.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to

both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2367. eHam.net News for Sunday 25 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-25 23:04:09 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fc5a87d604cf59d514@google.com>
Source record: 1485
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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eHam.net News

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A Standard for Powerline Telecommunications Devices -- the RSGB Involvement

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 04:25 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29381
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☐¡The result of the second vote on a draft standard EN50561-1:2012 for Power Line Communication apparatus used in low-voltage installations has been announced. The standard was passed to be implemented by all European countries after the EU national standards organizations voted 19 for, 5 against with 9 abstentions; according to the weighted voting system used, this is recorded as 90% in favour of the standard, exceeding the 71% needed for adoption. This article explains some of the background to this decision.

2368. Re: Transformer Oil Suppliers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 02:56:00 UTC
From: grumpy <t.seput@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <k8sbvgsfe1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1480
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

Look up Refrigeration oils viscosity varies largely 100 to 700
and if you really want good oil lookup Diffusion pump oils
diffusion oil is high temp. and high vacuum oil.

"David Lesher" <wb8foz@panix.com> wrote in message
news:k7pr23$77i$1@reader1.panix.com...
>
> We need less than a gallon of transformer oil for coolant.
> Does anyone sell such small quantities?
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> --
> A host is a host from coast to coast.................wb8foz@nrk.com
> & no one will talk to a host that's close........[v].(301) 56-LINUX
> Unless the host (that isn't close).........................pob 1433
> is busy, hung or dead....................................20915-1433

2369. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 25 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 03:53:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5014a73d1018004cf5de0fb@google.com>
Source record: 1486
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Focus on 'holy grail' - Stuff.co.nz

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 06:26 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHvRGXBOJVqgXPDm5BBVLlFXnN1vg&url=http://www.stuff.co.nz/southland-times/news/7999586/Focus-on-holy-grail

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Focus on holy grail
Stuff.co.nz
The group consisting of amateur radio operators – also known as ham operators – from New Zealand, Australia, the United States, Canada, Hungary and Borneo left Bluff harbour on board the 25m yacht Evohe today, destined for the remote sub-Antarctic ...

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Ham radio fan saves U.S. bacon by spotting Sandy mayday call - The Sun

Posted: 15 Nov 2012 06:53 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2AMMUlTq4YM9VYE5LHJ1zyDirkg&url=http://www.thesun.co.uk/sol/homepage/irishsun/irishsunnews/4647214/Ham-radio-fan-saves-US-bacon-by-spotting-Sandy-mayday-call.html

The Sun
Ham radio fan saves U.S. bacon by spotting Sandy mayday call
The Sun
Amateur radio fan Benny Young, from Tyrone, was tuning in on his hut-based hobby when he heard a mayday call from a plane over the Atlantic. But the United Airlines captain, en route from Dublin to Boston, wasnt able to reach flight controllers in ...
Derg man saves US flight from SandyU.TV

all 2 news articles

2370. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 11:41:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e83a45e1b5204cf646963@google.com>
Source record: 1487
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ZL9HR - They're on their way!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2ELQDT_GUBA/zl9hr_on_their_way.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The team and all equipment left Bluff on the very southern most point of New Zealand's south island today en-route to Campbell Island. ZL9HR will be active on all bands from 160m to 6m as soon as the antennas are up and the equipment installed

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GAREC 2012 - Summary Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MtCFYIr25VU/garec_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The eighth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference, GAREC-2012, took place in Port Dickson Malaysia hosted by the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society and was attended by 17 delegates from nine countries. The theme of the conference was 'One world, One commitment'

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How many UK Radio Hams are there ?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wzxRAzfGqss/how_many_uk_radio_hams_are_there.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A quick glance at Ofcom amateur radio licence statistics might lead you to think there are 79,414 radio amateurs in the UK, but is it really closer to 40,000 ?

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Review of FUNcube Dongle Pro+ in Radio User magazine

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/szQCU-eqjlY/radio_user_fun_cube_dongle_review.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Mike Richards G4WNC was lucky enough to get serial number 0046 from the first batch of the AMSAT-UK FUNcube Dongle Pro+ LF/MF/HF/VHF/UHF Software Defined Radio. He has written a four page review of the SDR that has just

been published in the December issue of Radio User magazine

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Alternate use for CubeSats

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Tc4ktFTwrFY/alternate_use_for_cubesats.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

While radio hams use CubeSats for communications, Glasgow-based Alba Space is planning to use them for Space Burials

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Getting into the Christmas Spirit

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MkywTdtN8CY/getting_into_the_christmas_spirit.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Moose Jaw Times Herald reports that kids had a chance to tell their requests to Santa up at the North Pole using short wave radio

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29.45 MHz Satellite Receiver Project

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/j0SlMrmOFEo/29_45_mhz_satellite_receiver_project.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David Bowman G0MRF has made available the circuit for a 29 MHz receiver that could be used as a part of an amateur radio satellite 29 to 145 MHz transponder

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ieW8AOeue9Y/history_26_november.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2371. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 12:27:23 UTC
From: Richard G3CWI <nowaytoguess@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f9f58e43-c276-4f9c-9e55-6bb73bad4c87@dg10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1488
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Nov 26, 11:41 am, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
<newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:

> How many UK Radio Hams are there ?
>
> Posted:http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wzxRAzfGqss/how_ma...
>
> A quick glance at Ofcom amateur radio licence statistics might lead you to
> think there are 79,414 radio amateurs in the UK, but is it really closer to
> 40,000 ?

The number is worrying but even more worrying is how OFCOM has lost
the plot with the numbers.

2372. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 13:00:15 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20121126130004.1915E33C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1489
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 25th November 2012

The news headlines:

* RSGB EGM result announced

* New CP-16 data mode for Chinese text

* South coast beacons get best DX

At the RSGB EGM held on 17 November, the Special Resolution put to the membership was supported by 96.8% of those who voted. The Interim Board will now take the necessary steps to bring the new governance structure into effect. To this end, advertisements for candidates for the next RSGB President and Board Directors will appear in the January RadCom.

If you look at the data modes in use today you may notice that the vast majority can only be used to communicate using the English language alphabet. That presents a real problem for countries such as China where the language requires graphical characters. This shortcoming is critical when using amateur radio to support emergency and disaster relief operations. To overcome this, the Chinese Radio Amateur Club has devised an ingenious new mode that uses a 16 by 16 dot matrix to send each character. Known as CP-16, the system uses sixteen 17Hz spaced tones that allow the transmitted characters to be displayed by any receiver that uses a waterfall display. So, if you spot Chinese characters on your waterfall whilst tuning around, you're seeing CP-16 in action.

The microwave beacon complex at Bell Hill Dorset, IO80UU59, has entered its 11th year of 24/7 operation across the bands 2.3 to 47GHz. On Wednesday 14 November, auto reports started to arrive from www.beaconspot.eu advising of DX reception, probably due to high level overland/sea ducting. During the evening, reports from stations in DL, OK and OE arrived, with the resulting best distance reception achieved by each beacon amounting to 1221km. Looking at the records for best DX kept on Beaconspot during its last five years of operation, these reports represent the best DX for any beacon in the EU area in the bands 2.3-10GHz. The South Coast Repeater & Beacon Group would like to thank all who have contributed to the ongoing operations of these beacons. They hope that having GPS frequency locked outputs in conjunction with modern multimode identifiers continues to provide DX indication for microwavers throughout Europe. Full details of GB3SCS, GB3SCF, GB3SCC and GB3SCX can be found at www.SCRBG.org.

The ARRL report that the FCC proposes to amend parts of the Commission's rules. These changes will implement allocation decisions from the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference that concern those portions of the radio frequency spectrum between 108MHz and 20.2GHz, and make certain updates to the rules in this frequency range. The FCC is requesting comments on changing the allocation to the amateur portion of the 160m band, allocating a new amateur service band at 135.7 to 137.8kHz, and cleaning up the rules for the 10.0 to 10.5GHz band. You can read the full ARRL story at www.arrl.org/news.

The amateur radio station at the US Embassy in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, is now up and running. It plans to run a weekly US Embassy Welfare Net on 7.178MHz, ± QRM, starting on 28 November at 1930UTC. The net control callsign will be HH2USA.

The RSGB regrets that the story reported last week concerning an amateur assisting an American aircraft diversion appears to be unfounded. The item was broadcast by GB2RS in good faith on the basis of reports from BBC news and other media organisations.

Copyright ± RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 25 November, it's the 34th CATS Radio & Electronics Bazaar, held at 1st Coulsdon Scout HQ, at the rear of the Council Car Park, Lion Green Road, Coulsdon, Surrey. Doors open from 10am to 1pm and admission is ±1. There will be a Bring & Buy. Details from Glenn, G4FVL, at chairman@catsradio.org.

Also today, 25 November, the Plymouth Radio Club Rally will be held at Harewood House, The Ridgeway, Plympton, Plymouth PL7 2AS. This is a new venue for this event. Doors open at 10am and admission is ±2. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy as well as a talk-in station.

Next weekend, on 2 December, the Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club Rally will take place at Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB. Doors open at 10.30am and entry is ±2, with accompanied U14 free. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and a talk-in station. More details can be obtained from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497.

Now for the news of special events

G4PF and M0GWW will be celebrating Lancashire Day on 27 November using the callsign GB0LD. They have the callsign from Sunday 25 November to Sunday 2 December inclusive.

Wakefield District Radio Society will be operating GB0IDD for the UN International Day of Persons with Disabilities over the weekend of 1 to 3 December from the Wakefield 23rd Troop Scout HQ. The aim of the Day is to raise awareness and understanding of disability issues. Operation will be mainly on SSB on the 14 to 28MHz bands. QSL via eqsl.cc only.

5G12ITD is on the air until 16 December in Morocco to commemorate UN International Day for Tolerance. They will be active all bands and all modes. QSL via RW6HS.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

VK6DXI will be active stroke FK from New Caledonia until mid December. He has been heard early on Sunday mornings on 28.485MHz around 0720UTC. QSL only via his home callsign.

The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia now have a landing permit for the ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island, IOTA reference OC-037. The DXpedition will take place between 28 November and 9 December. For more information please go to the DXpedition website at www.ZL9HR.com.

OZ6TL will operate as E51TLA from Rarotonga in the South Cook Islands, IOTA reference OC-013, until 8 December. The QSL manager is OZ6TL and logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Oliver, W6NV will be on Ascension Island, IOTA reference AF-003, until 30 November. He will use the callsign ZD8W. QSL to his home callsign.

The 5T0SP DXpedition to Mauritania will take place from 24 November to 10 December. Details of their planned frequencies are available on their website, just search the callsign 5T0SP. QSL via SP6FXY, direct or bureau, and OQRS on Club Log. All QSOs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World after reasonable time.

The 7P8D expedition to Lesotho that concludes on 3 December has also announced the frequencies they are using for their four stations. Details are on their website, again search on the callsign 7P8D. QSL direct to ZS2DL. An OQRS will be available after the expedition. Logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World within 6 months after the expedition has been completed.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Now the contest news

The big event of the month is in progress still today, 25 November. The CQWW DX CW contest finishes as midnight tonight. The exchange is signal report, and CQ Zone, which for the UK is 14.

The UK Microwave Group's Low Band Contest finishes at 1400UTC today, 25 November. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The 50MHz UK Activity Contest takes place on 27 November from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on 27 November, the SHF UK Activity Contest takes place on the 2.3 to 10GHz bands. From 2000 to 2230UTC you can use all modes and the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

At the other end of the frequency range the 80m Club Sprint takes place on 29 November from 2000 to 2100UTC. Using CW only, the exchange is serial number and name.

The third event in this season's Super League series takes place on 2 December. The 144MHz AFS contest runs from 0900 to 1700UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Starting at 2200 on Friday 30 November, the ARRL 160m Contest runs for 42 hours. Work the USA, US Territories and Canada only in this CW event. The rules say the segment 1830 to 1835 should be used for intercontinental QSOs only. The basic exchange is signal report, but US and Canadian stations also send their ARRL or RAC section.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 16th to the 22nd of November compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 23rd of November.

At the start of the period 9 sunspot groups were visible but on the 17th a new sunspot group emerged onto the solar disc and grew in size rapidly. By the 20th and the 21st. solar activity had increased to moderate levels, when two M class solar flares took place on both days. During the other days solar activity was low, with only C class solar flares taking place. There were 34 in total. However, on the 22nd no solar flares occurred and as a result solar activity was at very low levels. Solar flux levels increased slightly to peak at 141 units on the 18th and the 20th but then declined to 128 units by the 22nd. The average was 137 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 22nd was 122 units, that's three units up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased to B6.1 units by the 20th but then declined to B3.5 by the end of the period. The average was B4.5 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet everyday except for the 20th which increased to unsettled levels with an Ap index of 13 units. The average was Ap 6 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 370 and 480 kilometres per second for the period. Particle densities were low every day. Bz never varied more than minus 7 and plus 5 nanoTeslas for the period.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This week the quiet side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way once an active sunspot group rotates out of view around midweek. Solar activity should be at low levels, however, there is a slight chance that activity could increase to moderate levels till midweek. Solar flux levels should decline and by next weekend should be slightly above the 100 mark. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be at quiet levels, but there is a slight chance that activity could increase if a coronal mass ejection heads our way. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 28MHz for the south and 25MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 9MHz. Paths this week to the Middle East should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 27MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 22MHz. The best time to try this path will be between

0900 and 1400 hours UTC.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB

website, including email addresses and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Lincoln Short-Wave Club takes part in the 50MHz UK Activity Contest on Tuesday. On Wednesday there is a talk in Aisthorpe Village Hall by Nick Miers about wartime Bletchley Park; entry is £1 and he will be bringing along an original Enigma machine. The simplex club net is on Thursday from 8pm on 145.375MHz and Saturday sees the surgery in the shack at 9am. Contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

Wythall Radio Club is holding a club net on 145.225MHz today. On Monday the Advanced course continues plus there's a curry night at Monsoon. Dave, G3YXM will be explaining what he did on his 2012 holidays on Tuesday. Friday sees the shack social, and the Advanced course continues from 9am on Saturday. Next Sunday sees the 144MHz AFS Contest from the shack from 9am until 5pm, then there's the club net on 145.225MHz at 8pm. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and Friday sees a club net on 2m. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

South Birmingham Radio Society is making arrangements for the Christmas social on Monday. Tuesday sees a coffee morning at the shack between 11am and 1pm, and on Thursday there are training classes with Dave Murphy, G8OWL. Contact Don, on 01214 581 603.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having an informal meeting. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548 478, daytime.

On Monday Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a talk by Ciaran, M0XTD of AMSAT-UK on how to engage the next generation by talking to an astronaut in space. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Tuesday Central Radio Amateur Circle is having a Plug and Play session at Barr Beacon, Walsall, from 10am onwards. Details from Martin

Hallard, G1TYV, by email to radio-circle@live.co.uk.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a practical evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is taking registrations for its Foundation course and having a construction evening. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

On Wednesday Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding training classes and making plans for the Christmas party. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

On Wednesday South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society is having an informal evening. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Wednesday South Notts Amateur Radio Club is holding a members-only forum. Details from Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is looking at winter projects. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a skittles night. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with advance notice that Widnes and Runcorn Amateur Radio Club will be starting an Advanced course in Frodsham on Friday 11 January 2013. The sessions will last about two hours and are expected to run for 18-20 weeks. For more information contact Dave Bibby, G1PIX, on 01928 591 401.

Now for clubs that have several events this week. South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is holding its monthly technical forum on Monday. On Thursday there's a talk on celestial navigation by Terry, G6CRF. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

On Wednesday 28 November Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting on Wednesday, and taking part in the 80m Sprint CW contest on Thursday. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk on amateur radio in Thailand by Chris, G4JAG. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its winter junk sale. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is having an operating evening at the Waverton Institute. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is on the air from 7.30 on 145.575MHz. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a calibration evening. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a natter night and is on the air from the club shack. Details from Ken, G8FSO on 07900 563 117.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Sunday 2 December Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is visiting the WW1 Coastal Defence Station and radio museum at Grey Point Fort, near Bangor. Details from Brian Burns, MI0TGO, by email to muarc.secretary@yahoo.co.uk

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND Today, West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society is having a club night with talks, a quiz and raffle. On Friday there's project work & learning. Details from Sam, GM4BGS, on 07771 554 035.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Tuesday Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having Morse code practice. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday Lothians Radio Society is having a talk on getting started on 6 metres by Brian, GM4DIJ. Contact Alan J Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with clubs that have several events this week. Farnborough & District Radio Society has a CW net on Monday at 1pm on 3.570MHz, then a Top Band net on 1.995MHz at 8pm. Friday sees the club 2m net on 144.675MHz from 8pm. Details from Neville, G3SPD, on 01252 404 816.

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack on Tuesday and next Saturday. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is putting GX3WOR on the air on Wednesday. On Thursday they are participating in the 80m CW Sprint contest. Next Sunday sees the monthly breakfast meeting at The Goring caf© from 9am. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is running a 70cm club net. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Tuesday Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has a Top Band net on 1.975MHz from 8.30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Tuesday Dorking & District Radio Society is having a talk on the Elecraft K2 transceiver by Roger Eeles, G0SWC/VP8DBR. Contact Garth, G3NPC, on 01737 359 472.

On Tuesday Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a shack activity night. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air & running a club net on GB3AL or GB3VA. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday Darenth Valley Radio Society is on the air and having a natter night. Contact Bob, M0RAW, on 01322 663 804.

On Wednesday Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is at the Taplin Centre discussing items of interest. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Wednesday Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on practical radio astronomy for amateurs by Paul, G4CSD. Contact Rob, G4LMW, on 01635 862 737.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is holding an informal meeting with Bright Sparks. The shack is open and the workshop is available. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Thursday Bittern DX Group is meeting at Pinewood Park Leisure Club at 8pm. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 218 562.

On Thursday Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society is holding a club night, with CW practice from 8.30 until 9pm. Contact Charles, G4VSZ, on 07982 244 788.

On Thursday Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night at the Fort. Details from Neil Hoare, M0NEH, on 02392 378 559.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 25 November 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Tim Ward, 2E0TJW, on 07810 481 182.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk by John Wayman, G4DRS, on Christmas Island T32C . Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

On Friday Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having a review of 2012 by the committee. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is holding a table top sale. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having a surplus equipment sale. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Saturday Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society continues its Intermediate course. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Sunday Southdown Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas social at Chaseley. Details from John, G3DQY, on 01424 424 319.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding a PC clinic on Monday from 19:00 at the moose Centre. The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 19:45 and on Thursday it's the 4m net on 70.425MHz from 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Sunday Plymouth Radio Club is running the Plymouth Radio Rally. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Monday Bristol RSGB Group is having a talk on forensic applications of electron microscopes by Nick Gleed, GW8YJM. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

On Monday Weston Super Mare Radio Society is holding a construction night. Details from Paul, G3SDH, on 01761 221 206.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is on the air and holding an open house night. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a fun quiz. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Poole Radio Society continues its Intermediate course and is having an activity night. Details from Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a presentation by the Stover Canal Trust. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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2373. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 13:39:00 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8vrdt$g5d$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1490
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> The RSGB regrets that the story reported last week concerning an
> amateur assisting an American aircraft diversion appears to be
> unfounded. The item was broadcast by GB2RS in good faith on the basis
> of reports from BBC news and other media organisations.
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ha ha ....normal sensible radio amateurs 1 hammy mens like jonnconman 0
.....

2374. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 13:41:31 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8vria$h0p$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1491
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

> Next weekend, on 2 December, the Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club
> Rally will take place at Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB.
> Doors open at 10.30am and entry is ?2, with accompanied U14 free. There
> will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and a talk-in station. More details
> can be obtained from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497.
>

I was there last year....quality old style rally...hammy mens need not
attend.....

2375. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 13:43:39 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8vrm9hmp1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1492
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
news:k8vrdt$g5d$1@dont-email.me...
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>> amateur assisting an American aircraft diversion appears to be
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>> of reports from BBC news and other media organisations.
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john sil...do you still think his club is proud of him now?.......

2376. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 13:45:19 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8vrpdidd1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1493
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
news:k8vrdt$g5d$1@dont-email.me...
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>> of reports from BBC news and other media organisations.
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> ha ha ....normal sensible radio amateurs 1 hammy mens like jonnconman 0
> ....
>
"CONFABULATION" as I said at the time......hate to use a brian relay
expression .....but there you go ......I will be hovering next.......

2377. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 13:45:56 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8vrqi$ik1$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1494
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
news:k8vrm9hmp1@dont-email.me...
>
> "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
> news:k8vrdt$g5d$1@dont-email.me...
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>>> of reports from BBC news and other media organisations.
>>>
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>> ....
>>
> john sil...do you still think his club is proud of him now?.......
>
mate......

2378. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 14:18:21 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <OSKss.995201$it2.467631@fx22.am4>
Source record: 1495
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 26/11/2012 13:39, GM4DHJ .... wrote:
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>> unfounded. The item was broadcast by GB2RS in good faith on the basis
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RSCB these days. And what's with the "amateur" claptrap? Amateur my
ARSE! GET A GRIP RSGB!!! This is a long time QRO MI3 with a childs
licence who has _NO_ incentive to ever upgrade.

2379. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 14:44:51 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8vv8m$7no$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1496
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:OSKss.995201$it2.467631@fx22.am4...
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> GRIP RSGB!!! This is a long time QRO MI3 with a childs licence who has
> _NO_ incentive to ever upgrade.
>
>
and a burd out of the pub ......he could have at least gone down the young
farmers ...like the big farmer did.....

2380. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 14:46:35 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k8vvbu$8eo$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1497
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:OSKss.995201$it2.467631@fx22.am4...
> On 26/11/2012 13:39, GM4DHJ .... wrote:
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> _NO_ incentive to ever upgrade.
>
>
at least they wont have to pay out damages again for that story.......

2381. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 15:57:55 UTC
From: Ian Jackson <ianREMOVETHISjackson@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <FGEksCGDG5sQFwKu@g3ohx.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 1498
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

In message <k8vvbu$8eo$1@dont-email.me>, GM4DHJ ....
<james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> writes
>
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>> _NO_ incentive to ever upgrade.
>>
>>
>at least they wont have to pay out damages again for that story.......
>
But one wonders what the true basis for the story was.

If we just happen accidentally to (over)hear an emergency message, and
it isn't being responded to, the correct procedure is (I believe) to
dial 999, and ask for the coastguard, who know the correct procedures to
set the wheels in motion. Presumably this is something like what
happened here, but got rather embellished.
--
Ian

2382. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 16:16:37 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <GBMss.526426$yH4.185335@fx03.am4>
Source record: 1499
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 26/11/2012 15:57, Ian Jackson wrote:

> But one wonders what the true basis for the story was.

It was nothing but the fevered imaginings of an M3 muppet. One dreams
about saving airplanes another fantasises about hovering over cars...

2383. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 19 - 25 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 16:30:10 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121126163002.C77AB33C2F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1500
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Nov 26 0613 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
#
Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
19 - 25 November 2012

Solar activity ranged from very low to moderate levels. The summary
period started out at low levels but changed on day two as Region
1618 (N08, L=135, class/area Ekc/450 millionths on 23 November) and
Region 1612 (N09, L=228, class/area Hsx/100 millionths on 12
November) both produced M-class x-ray events. Region 1612 produced
an M1 solar flare at 20/1241 UTC with multiple discrete radio
frequency bursts. Around the same time, h-alpha imagery indicated
multiple filament channel eruptions. LASCO C2/C3 imagery supported a
partially Earth directed CME. Region 1618 followed this event with
an M1/Sn solar flare at 20/1928 UTC. Associated with this flare were
several discrete radio frequency bursts. LASCO C2/C3 imagery
indicated a CME, however further analysis indicated that this would
not be Earth directed. On 21 November, Region 1618 continued to
produce M-class solar flares, with an M1/1n solar flare at 21/0656
UTC and an M3 x-ray event at 21/1530 UTC. Both of these events had
Type II and Type IV radio sweeps associated with them. Imagery once
again supported another Earth directed CME. Later on 21 November, a
large filament erupted off the north-east limb. Location and imagery
suggested this CME would not be Earth directed. Activity declined to
very low levels on 22 November. Region 1618 remained a magnetically
complex region during this time, however simplification in the
leader spots was observed. Low levels prevailed throughout the
summary period with Region 1618 producing the occasional C-class
events. On 23 November, a large filament eruption was observed in
the southwest quadrant of the solar disk. The associated CME was
determined to have an Earth directed component. Towards the end of
the summary period, Region 1620 (S13, L=92, class/area Hax/090
millionths on 23 November) started to evolve and produce C-class
activity. At the end of the period, Region 1620 was magnetically
classified as a beta-gamma.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.
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The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was high levels on 19, 22 and 23 November. The remaining days were at normal to moderate levels.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels. The summary period began at quiet levels with solar wind speed, as measured by the ACE spacecraft, hovering around 400 km/s. On 20 November, an increase in solar wind speed to around 460 km/s was observed, with sustained periods of the negative Bz component of the (Interplanetary Magnetic Field) IMF. This observed change in the solar wind parameters help drive unsettled to active levels late on 20 November and early into 21 November. Predominantly quiet levels prevailed until late on 23 November when solar wind observations indicated the arrival of a CME. At the ACE spacecraft, solar wind speeds increased from 320km/s - 420 km/s with Bt of the IMF increasing to around 17 nT. As the CME arrived at Earth, an increase to active levels was observed. As CME effects continued on to 24 November, active to quiet levels were observed with isolated minor to major storm periods observed at high latitudes. As CME effects waned, quiet level prevailed from late on 24 November throughout the rest of the summary period. Initial analysis and data suggested this was the CME from 20 November, however as the CME progressed, data suggested the incoming CMEs might have merged into this one event.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
26 November - 22 December 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance for M-class flares from 26 November - 01 December as Regions 1620 and 1618 evolve and rotate off the visible disk. A decrease to low levels is forecast from 02 - 04 December. An increase to low levels with a slight chance for M-class flares is expected for the remainder of the period as Regions 1612, 1618, and 1620 return.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels from 26 November - 05 December, 08- 11 December, and 19-22 December. High levels are expected at all other times due to coronal hole high speed stream activity.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to active levels. The forecast period is expected to begin at predominantly quiet levels. On 27 - 29 November, an increase to quiet to active levels is expected as the CME from 23 November is expected to become geoeffective. From 30 November through 05 December, quiet to unsettled levels are expected in response to multiple coronal hole high speed streams. A return to quiet levels is expected from 06-10 December. Another increase to quiet to unsettled levels is expected on 11-15 December due to recurrent coronal hole high speed streams. A return to quiet levels is expected for the remainder of the period.

2384. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 17:28:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf302efaa842eb6f04cf694311@google.com>
Source record: 1301
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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PG2013SAIL

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 02:00 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369723-PG2013SAIL&goto=newpost

The special event callsign PG2013SAIL will be operational during Sail Den Helder 2013 and the Royal Netherlands Navy Fleetdays in june 2013, for more information visit the both websites.

And watch our updates

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73's de PD1DRE André

Attached Images

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(6.8 KB)

2385. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 17:48:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3011d8c3fbfa1404cf698a2e@google.com>
Source record: 1302
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Marl national field day 2012, 1 & 2 december

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 08:41 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369666-Marl-national-field-day-2012-1-amp-2-december&goto=newpost

Malaysian Amateur Radio League (MARL), will be organizing 2012 National Field Day , for 24 hours beginning from Saturday, 1st December 2012, 10am until Sunday, 2nd December 2012.

This event will also be held concurrently at a number of location throughout the country. The event Head Quarters will take place at Taman Tasik Jaya, Petaling Jaya, Selangor and will be hosted by MARES Malaysia.

MARL welcomes all other Amateur Radio groups, clubs and societies, to set up their station at their respective states.

As a reminder, in the spirit of Field Day, ALL participating groups/clubs/society are required to use ONLY BATTERIES OR GENERATOR SET to power up their stations and equipment.

Event Manager for the 2012 National Field Day is Rashid Sidek 9M2YRS (Pak Yob). He can be contacted at 9m2yrs@gmail.com .

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Attention all CW DXers, Contesters & Budding DXpeditionists

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 06:22 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369650-Attention-all-CW-DXers-Contesters-amp-Budding-DXpeditionists&goto=newpost

This is absolutely the best FREE CW pileup training program ever released.

Web Site Here

Strap yourself in as you are transported to your own one man CW DXpedition to North Korea (or North Dakota), your fellow CW enthusiasts are counting on you. :)

Seriously though, Alex, VE3NEA has done an outstanding job with this free program called PileupRunner. Practice with it for 15 - 30 minutes a day for a few weeks and your CW pileup & contesting skills will improve dramatically. Augment PileupRunner with the wonderful German written program RufzXP and MorseRunner for the trifecta of all CW

contesting "simulators".....All programs are 100% free.

PileupRunner is as close to the real experience as one can get without going to an exotic land. 'Da Cow here rates it a full 5 bellowing moo's!!! The program is intuitive as to how the pileup is generated & I would recommend reading it's short 3 - 4 page manual before getting started. You will wonder why stations you have already worked keep on calling you if you don't.

I have no monitory interest in anything Alex does & have never meet him.

See ya in the pileups,

Tom KCØW

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Administrator please help!

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 01:44 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369632-Administrator-please-help!&goto=newpost

I am trying to correct my QRZ call sign. I just noticed I'm using the wrong one KK4EMI IS not my call sign. My callsign is KK4MEI my name is Christopher Jones. How do I fix this?

2386. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 18:07:07 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k90b4cnkp1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1303
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:GBMss.526426$yH4.185335@fx03.am4...
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> about saving airplanes another fantasises about hovering over cars...
>
>
or getting beat up by fellow radio amateurs ....

2387. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 18:24:53 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k90c5n$u9q$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1304
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:OSKss.995201$it2.467631@fx22.am4...
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what do you expect from a van driver (white?) and a CBr since he was 11
years old ? ...

2388. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 18:29:05 UTC
From: "Jim GM4DHJ ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k90cdh$vq3$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1305
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

bring a tear to a glass eye it would.....

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/how-a-radio-ham-in-a-castlederg-shed-saved-hundreds-of-lives-on-a-us-flight-16238741.html

2389. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 19:04:20 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <T2Pss.381438$nB6.258059@fx21.am4>
Source record: 1306
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On 26/11/2012 18:24, Jim Stewart wrote:

> what do you expect from a van driver (white?) and a CBr since he was 11
> years old ? ...

He's still a bloody cb'er. The only difference now is he's a cb'er on
the amateur bands thanks to wiggy and his ilk.

2390. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 19:06:02 UTC
From: "Jim GM4DHJ ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k90eisevo1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1307
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:T2Pss.381438$nB6.258059@fx21.am4...
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>> years old ? ...
>
> He's still a bloody cb'er. The only difference now is he's a cb'er on the
> amateur bands thanks to wiggy and his ilk.
>
he looks a bit stupid ....

2391. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 20:16:59 UTC
From: Brian Reay <none@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <k90ins$7td$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1308
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On 26/11/12 18:42, Len GM0ONX wrote:

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> I've been saying that there is nearer 45000 for ages. OFCOM officials
> admitted to me years ago years ago their database was highly suspect
> dating back to that inhered from SSL days.
>
> I suspect the biggest loss will come when all of those easy come FL
> are due for revalidation not to mention the SK entries.

I'm not sure anyone has a real grasp of the numbers, thanks the nonsense of the 'licence for life' and 'free' renewals.

If we had kept a decent fee for each licence (callsign), people would have been so keen to hold onto multiple licences (some hold several Full callsigns, and I don't mean OBO of clubs, let alone those with a M0, 2E, and M3/M6) plus the database would only be 'out of date' by the renewal period +/- . If the renewal period had been a more sensible 1 or 2 years, then we would have a much better 'picture.

But, some people didn't value their hobby enough to pay a fee and here we are.

Now OFCOM are looking to drop licensing, exactly as I expected when the consultation was made. Now the belt is tightening, the non-fee generating activity is being dumped. It will be taken over by the very people the "tight fisted" most hate. Poetic justice.

Just as I predicted and opposed.

2392. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 20:49:14 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <k90kkb$k4j$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1309
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:GBMss.526426$yH4.185335@fx03.am4...
> On 26/11/2012 15:57, Ian Jackson wrote:
>> But one wonders what the true basis for the story was.
>
> It was nothing but the fevered imaginings of an M3 muppet.

What, that they are real radio amateurs?

2393. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 21:13:14 UTC
From: "Jim GM4DHJ ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k90m1a$tt5$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1310
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> Now OFCOM are looking to drop licensing, exactly as I expected when the
> consultation was made. Now the belt is tightening, the non-fee generating
> activity is being dumped. It will be taken over by the very people the
> "tight fisted" most hate. Poetic justice.
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well if it is the rsgb I will just pirate.....

2394. eHam.net News for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-26 23:07:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf300e4e350ed61004cf6dfffe@google.com>
Source record: 1311
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Planning to Consider Ham Radio Amendment to Zoning:

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 01:22 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29383

Ridgecrest's Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to recommend the City Council amend a city zoning ordinance at its meeting Tuesday evening. The amendment request, should it be approved by the city council at a later date, could permit "amateur ham radio antennas and windmill towers in excess of 35 feet to be erected subject to a Conditional Use permit," according to a city staff report. The agenda relates directly to a previous request by Ridgecrest resident Steven Rainey to erect a 55-foot ham radio tower on his property back in September. Rainey could not receive a conditional use permit for his proposed tower following a public hearing. The planning commission does not have the authority to grant such permits, under the current muncipal code. During the public hearing, Rainey said the Tower would not be up 24 hours a day, but would be lowered via a crank when not in use. City Planner Matthew Alexander said ham radio operators represented a strong asset to the city in case of emergencies. Should normal and mobile communication networks be knocked out during an earthquake or major flood, ham operators like Rainey would be able to relay communications through radio frequencies to other communities. All ham radio operators are required to be licensed by the Federal Communication Commission.

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Sunspots Not an Indicator of Solar Cycle:

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 01:18 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29382

A new study of ice core samples has found the link between sunspot activity and the Sun's solar cycle isn't as strong as previously thought. Researchers have found the Sun's eleven-year solar cycle continued normally during the Maunder Minimum between 1645 and 1715, when sunspot activity was unusually low. This was also a time when northern Europe experienced unusually cold conditions. The discovery, reported in Geophysical Research Letters, comes as the Sun approaches solarmax, the climax of its cycle, when its north and south magnetic poles flip. The researchers were looking for solar cycle variations by studying beryllium-10 isotope concentrations in ice core samples. Showers of heavy isotopes including beryllium-10, are produced when cosmic rays, a high-energy mix of protons, electrons, and

atomic nuclei from outside the solar system, collide with molecules in the Earth's atmosphere. Increased solar wind activity as the Sun moves towards solar max, reduces the amount of cosmic rays reaching Earth. By studying beryllium-10 levels in ice cores, scientists can determine the level of solar activity at a given time. Drawing on two independent ice core records, Owens and colleagues modelled solar activity back to 1610, before the Maunder Minimum. "Between 1650 to 1710 there were no sunspots recorded, even though there were lots of professional astronomers around at the time," says study lead author Dr Mathew Owens of the University of Reading in the United Kingdom. "Yet despite the lack of sunspots, the Sun's magnetic field was still churning over its natural eleven-year solar cycle." "It shows sunspots are a symptom not a cause for the solar cycle."

2395. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 25th November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-27 00:09:22 UTC
From: Steve Terry <gfourwwk@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <k910bhrga1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1312
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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> On 26/11/2012 15:57, Ian Jackson wrote:
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>> But one wonders what the true basis for the story was.
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> It was nothing but the fevered imaginings of an M3 muppet. One dreams
> about saving airplanes another fantasises about hovering over cars...
>
Mayday? That was months ago..YellowJack!
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Steve Terry
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http://giffgaff.com/orders/affiliate/gfourwwk

2396. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 26 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-27 03:13:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e838a3d895404cf716eae@google.com>
Source record: 1313
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Intrepid journey for remote radio contact - Stuff.co.nz

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 08:01 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFZpgvSmRmI8N1mthkOPeNcEo4AqQ&url=http://www.stuff.co.nz/southland-times/news/8000515/Intrepid-journey-for-remote-radio-contact

Stuff.co.nz
Intrepid journey for remote radio contact
Stuff.co.nz
DXing is the hobby of receiving and identifying distant radio or television signals, or making two-way radio contact with distant stations in amateur radio. Expedition co-leader John Halkiadakis said the list of entities were ... The list is toppped by ...
ZL9HR - Theyre on their way!Southgate Amateur Radio Club

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Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning - Mount Shasta Herald

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 03:12 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFv0jRCpBxOB3q-Dk2O4JdKyNB7RA&url=http://www.mtshastanews.com/article/20121124/NEWS/121129925

Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning
Mount Shasta Herald
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How many UK Radio Hams are there ? - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 01:36 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFRvaBuso5rHyv1f2PfBax7vByARw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/how_many_uk_radio_hams_are_there.htm

How many UK Radio Hams are there ?
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
How many UK Radio Hams are there ? A quick glance at Ofcom amateur radio licence statistics might lead you to think there are 79,414 radio amateurs

in the UK, but is it really closer to 40,000 ? Although the grand total shows 79,414 licences as at ...

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GAREC 2012 - Summary Report - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 01:36 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGRIW6k4ybO9-TZW_TeLXLvnIsPKQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/garec_2012.htm

GAREC 2012 - Summary Report
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The eighth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference, GAREC-2012, took place in Port Dickson Malaysia hosted by the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society and was attended by 17 delegates from nine countries. The theme of ...

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Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 08:54 PM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEDJhdm1tPNKvIMfou-f4V2_-xClg&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/amateurradio-emergency-services-disasters-74616

Amateur-Radio Emergency Services and Disasters
Electronic Design (blog)
The second morning after Hurricane Sandy hit the East Coast seems like a good time for Electronic Design readers to think about ham radio and emergency response issues. I got involved in these issues myself when my neighbor, Dave, told me about his ...
In Brief ...Chinook Observer

all 2 news articles

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How a radio ham in a Castlederg shed saved hundreds of lives on a US flight - Belfast Telegraph

Posted: 17 Nov 2012 12:03 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHzGpotNatxgmVJpJxcoBxg5cE37g&url=http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/how-a-radio-ham-in-a-castlederg-shed-saved-hundreds-of-lives-on-a-us-flight-16238741.html

How a radio ham in a Castlederg shed saved hundreds of lives on a US flight
Belfast Telegraph
A ham radio operator helped save the lives of hundreds of passengers on a US-bound flight while sitting in his garden shed in Co Tyrone. Benny Young (29), an amateur radio enthusiast from Castlederg who spends most evenings scanning the airwaves ...

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Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios -
Carlsbad Current Argus

Posted: 11 Nov 2012 09:00 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE96rocbzE8H9x41Vb937emWhKTtg&url=http://www.currentargus.com/ci_21977281/mentor-guides-nmsu-engineering-students-they-construct-amateur

Mentor guides NMSU engineering students as they construct amateur radios
Carlsbad Current Argus
Daniel Cooper and Thomas Buckner, also electrical engineering seniors, built their own ham radios, as well. Hassall has more than 50 years of experience assembling ham radios. "I have been interested in amateur radio all my life," he said. "My mother ...

and more

2397. [RAC-Bulletin] Press Release - Steven Spielberg's "Lincoln" - "Morse Telegraph Clubmembers play a key role in Spielberg's Lincoln"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-27 11:46:06 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50B4A7BF.8030609@rac.ca>
Source record: 1314
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Press Release - Steven Spielberg's "Lincoln"
2012-11-25

PRESS RELEASE

Morse Telegraph Club, Inc.
29150 Windsor Rd.
Culpeper, VA. 22701

"Morse Telegraph Club members play a key role in Spielberg's Lincoln"

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Members of the Morse Telegraph Club, an association of retired railroad and commercial telegraphers, historians, radio amateurs and others with an interest in the history and traditions of telegraphy and the telegraph industry played an important role in the production of "Lincoln."

According to James Wades (WB8SIW), International President of the Morse Telegraph Club, several members provided period telegraph instruments for use in the construction of the War Department Set. Most notably, Tom Perera (W1TP), Derek Cohn (WB0TUA), Kevin Saville (N7JKD), and Roger Reinke provided sufficient telegraph instruments to equip the sixteen operating positions portrayed at the War Department.

Jim Wilson (K4BAV) and his son, Matt Wilson had minor roles as Extras. Jim also worked with production staff and the actors to explain telegraph technology and the role of the telegrapher.

Jim Wades (WB8SIW) who was employed as a Technical Advisor for the production, worked with set designers over a period of months to develop the War Department telegraph scenes. Mr. Wades coordinated the process of procuring the necessary instruments and served as a historical consultant as the telegraph scenes were developed.

Nine of the sixteen telegraph positions depicted in the War Department were fully operational. These instruments could be operated in any combination through the use of a specialized computer program and terminal units custom built by Mr. Wades for the process. When necessary, a hand key could be inserted in the individual telegraph loops so messages could be improvised.

Mr. Wades worked with the producers to develop historically appropriate message traffic that fit the sequence of the script.

However, as the movie was edited, the final product evolved into a more generic facsimile of Morse traffic. However, those with a background in land line telegraphy will hear the occasional snippet of message traffic in the audio track of the movie.

"We are very pleased that Mr. Spielberg and his staff took the time to treat the telegraph with dignity and respect," said Mr. Wades. "It is a pleasure to be associated with a high quality motion picture that can genuinely be classified as not just entertainment, but as a work of art," he added.

The Morse Telegraph Club was founded in 1943 to perpetuate the knowledge, history and traditions of telegraphy. Chapters are located throughout the United States and Canada. Members are actively involved in a variety of projects including presenting talks on the history of telegraphy to historical societies, schools, and Amateur Radio organizations. Chapters throughout the US and Canada have worked with public museums to build historically correct telegraph exhibits. Members also regularly demonstrate telegraphy at historical events throughout North America.

Complete coverage of the making of the telegraph scenes in "Lincoln" will be published in an upcoming issue of "Dots and Dashes," the official journal of the Morse Telegraph Club.

For more information or interviews, please contact:

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http://www.morsetelegraphclub.org/

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2398. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 27 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-27 12:04:30 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf301afcb1b68a5b04cf78d99b@google.com>
Source record: 1315
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Strategy meeting on dangers of PLC / PLT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EQTEmXVdOcI/strategy_meeting_on_dangers_of_plc_plt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Saturday, January 12, 2013 the DARC is running a one-day workshop about
the possible hazards to amateur radio from electromagnetic PLC (PLT)

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HamRadioNow - What's TAPR and the DCC?

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0ksQJ55Pvmc/hamradionow_tapr_and_the_dcc.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this episode Gary KN4AQ talks to TAPR president Steve Bible N7HPR about
the current focus of the organization and its future

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Radio is more than just a hobby to Grantham pair

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-hRZhpY-7e8/radio_is_more_than_just_a_hobby_to_grantham_pair.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Grantham Journal reports on RAYNET radio controllers Billy Rose 2E1AXL
and Jim Wheeldon M0JHW

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Radio Ham interviewed on Swedish radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KBgqH6PXQEM/radio_ham_interviewed_on_swedish_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A Swedish radio show featured an interview with radio amateur Hojun Song
DS1SBO about his OSSI CubeSat

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FNv7BNnpfy8/south_eastern_amateur_radio_group.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group’s Christmas get together takes place
on Friday the 7th of December in Kilkenny city

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/xMBUZD9Luk8/047_november_26.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This bulletin was delayed several days due to the Thanksgiving holiday, but
is up-to-date as of Monday morning

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Radio Hams Focus on 'holy grail'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SrXTvnBrnjk/radio_hams_focus_on_holy_grail.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Southland Times reports that ten amateur radio operators have set sail
for one of the holy grails of the transmitting world, the Campbell Islands

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Bill Unger, VE3XT Ontartio North/East Director acclaimed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/knLvVwpEiPE/ontario_north_east_director.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Congratulations are extended to Bill Unger, VE3XT who was recently
acclaimed as the RAC Director for Ontario North East

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Ham Radio amendment to zoning

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Vw8vhMTSI7s/ham_radio_amendment_to_zoning.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Planning Commission in Ridgecrest, California, will hold a public
hearing to recommend the City Council amend a city zoning ordinance at its
meeting Tuesday evening

2399. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 27 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-27 17:15:31 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a15870aa2cd04cf7d322d@google.com>
Source record: 1316
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Radio Now Episode 32, Part 3 The hidden TWit Tour

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 09:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369819-Ham-Radio-Now-Episode-32-Part-3-The-hidden-TWit-Tour&goto=newpost

It's at http://youtu.be/igmTmnX5PWw

Don't know what Ham Radio Now is.

Gary Peirce is a Ham Radio operator who has a podcast called Ham Radio Now. Formally know as Amateur Radio Video News or ARVN, Gary and his cohosts take us behind the scenes at ham radio events, interview those making news in the hobby and tell us about things we may not have known about ham radio. In episode 32 Gary takes us on a video vacation of a recent trip to Atlanta (part 1). Then (in part 2) he goes to California and gets a tour of the TWiT studios and talks with Leo Laporte. If you are a fan of Ham Nation or any of the other programs which air on TWiT you will enjoy that one. Here, in part 3, Gary shows us some extra footage of his TWiT tour.

If you are a Ham (and you probably are if you are reading this) or interested in Ham Radio (about to get into the hobby?) you should check out his other videos. Just look for HamRadioNow on Youtube or just click here - http://www.youtube.com/user/HamRadio...ow=grid&view=0

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ZW2FEN - APRS BRASIL

Posted: 16 Nov 2012 10:17 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?368623-ZW2FEN-APRS-BRASIL&goto=newpost

ZW2FEN - Special call sign for the APRS STATION Fenarcom 2012 -
International Trade Fair Radiocommunication (www.fenarcom.com.br).
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2400. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 27 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-27 17:34:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5014a7334179504cf7d764c@google.com>
Source record: 1317
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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XU1A Cambodia

Posted: 27 Nov 2012 06:58 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369912-XU1A-Cambodia&goto=newpost

JH1AJT , JA1TRC , JA4EKO , JA5AQC , E21EIC , JH1OGX will be active from
Cambodia 5-17 December 2012 as XU1A

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/xu1a_cambodia/

73 Al 4L5A

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5W0RK Upolu Island

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 11:58 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369889-5W0RK-Upolu-Island&goto=newpost

H44RK will be active from Upolu Island , Samoa 8 December 2012 - 3 March
2013 as 5W0RK

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-island_samoa/

73 Al 4L5A

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Need to schedule a Delaware QSO for WAS!!!

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 10:38 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369887-Need-to-schedule-a-Delaware-QSO-for-WAS!!!&goto=newpost

Delaware hams: PSE sked with me for WAS - SSB or CW, 10-15-20-30-40!!

My ONLY "holdout state" for WAS as WB7AWK is Delaware! I've always been

mostly a "ragchew" sort of guy - 37 years a ham, Extra (20-WPM sort) since

1997, Novice (WN7AWK) in 1975.....

But I have NEVER confirmed a Delaware QSO!! (Worked a number over the

years, but ZILCH in the QSL department in all this time!).

I just did an accounting of my cards, and Delaware is my HOLDOUT STATE!!!

I really want to earn my WAS with my WB7AWK call - I have a vanity application

in place (15 days waiting time left to go) for a new call. So I have time to make

and confirm a QSO with Delaware QSO before then... especially easy since

10-15-20 have been WiLDLY open of late and should continue to be so.

And yes, I realize that even after my Vanity call is granted, all those old QSL

cards would still apply.... (some dating back to 1975!)... but given I have only

ONE STATE left to confirm under WB7AWK, that would mean a LOT to me!!!

So: Any Delaware hams on here that can work a SKED with me??? I travel

a lot for business.... but Sunday December 2nd is totally OPEN..... I can be

here all day while the sun is up (and the high bands open!).... SSB or CW....

CW would be preferred but USB is totally OK too... maybe we could do BOTH,

start on SSB and QSY to CW??? Or JUST SSB!!!!

So ... Delawarians..... please come forward and let's schedule this thing, Zulu time!

73's

Dave WB7AWK

(Very soon to be W7xxx - don't want to jinx it, so can't reveal it just yet!)

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Marl national field day 2012, 1 & 2 december

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 08:41 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369666-Marl-national-field-day-2012-1-amp-2-december&goto=newpost

Malaysian Amateur Radio League (MARL), will be organizing 2012 National Field Day , for 24 hours beginning from Saturday, 1st December 2012, 10am until Sunday, 2nd December 2012.

This event will also be held concurrently at a number of location throughout the country. The event Head Quarters will take place at Taman Tasik Jaya, Petaling Jaya, Selangor and will be hosted by MARES Malaysia.

MARL welcomes all other Amateur Radio groups, clubs and societies, to set up their station at their respective states.

As a reminder, in the spirit of Field Day, ALL participating groups/clubs/society are required to use ONLY BATTERIES OR GENERATOR SET to power up their stations and equipment.

Event Manager for the 2012 National Field Day is Rashid Sidek 9M2YRS (Pak Yob). He can be contacted at 9m2yrs@gmail.com .

2401. eHam.net News for Tuesday 27 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-27 23:13:49 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf307cfea86e77d304cf823346@google.com>
Source record: 1318
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Focus on 'Holy Grail' -- Ham Operators Set Sail for Campbell Islands:

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 04:04 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29415

Ten amateur radio operators have set sail for one of the holy grails of the transmitting world, the Campbell Islands. The group consisting of amateur radio operators - also known as ham operators - from New Zealand, Australia, the United States, Canada, Hungary and Borneo left Bluff harbour on board the 25m yacht Evohe today, destined for the remote sub-Antarctic island. Expedition leader Tommy Horozakis, of Melbourne, said the purpose of the trip was to erect at least five radio stations and for 10 days and transmit signals around the world. ''Thousands of ham radio operators from every continent on earth will attempt to make contact. We expect to make 60,000 contacts,'' Mr Horozakis said from Bluff before the group weighed anchor. For many ham operators, the ultimate thrill is to receive contact from a list of 340 countries or entities on list established within the ham community.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #47 de K7RA:

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 08:04 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29384

In Propagation Forecast Bulletin ARLP046 on November 16, the average daily sunspot number on November 8-14 was 104.9. In the next seven day reporting period, November 15-21, the average was 126.9, a nice increase. With solar flux, the average over the previous period was 129.5. In the most recent period it increased to 138.9.

2402. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 27 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 03:13:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f23554500f1f904cf858cf9@google.com>
Source record: 1319
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 11:11 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGg633AQXAA9I_SndFNEXN3GfwMJQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/south_eastern_amateur_radio_group.htm

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The South Eastern Amateur Radio Groups Christmas get together takes place on Friday the 7th of December in Kilkenny city. The general plan is to meet in Langtons Bar, 67 John Street, Kilkenny around 7:30 to 8:00 p.m. Langtons is a lively spot with a ...

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Amateur radio buffs battle to get messages through council red tape - Sydney Morning Herald

Posted: 30 Oct 2012 06:07 AM PDT
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNES-rDAUpey4WQH5Kgj3eFntJ1iQg&url=http://www.smh.com.au/national/amateur-radio-buffs-battle-to-get-messages-through-council-red-tape-20121030-28hno.html

Sydney Morning Herald
Amateur radio buffs battle to get messages through council red tape
Sydney Morning Herald
The century-old pursuit of amateur radio involves sending and receiving data over selected frequency bands. Traditionalists transmit Morse code or voice; the new breed either circumvents the internet by sending digital data over the airwaves, or uses ...

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2403. [RAC-Bulletin] VoIP Hurricane Prep Net & CANWARN Weather Radio Listeners Net

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 07:21:11 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50B5BB22.4060000@rac.ca>
Source record: 1320
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

VoIP Hurricane Prep Net & CANWARN Weather Radio Listeners Net
2012-11-27

Reminder: VoIP Hurricane Prep Net & CANWARN 'Weather Radio Listeners Net' Combined on Saturday 201-12-01 at 7 PM EST/0000 UTC

Hello to all..

A reminder that the last VoIP Hurricane Prep Net for 2012 and the CANWARN 'Weather Radio Listeners' Net will be combined for Saturday December 1st, 2012 at 7 PM EST/0000 UTC immediately following SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) 2012. The CANWARN 'Weather Radio Listeners' Net takes place weekly on Saturday Evenings at 7 PM EST and the net was backed up one hour to allow folks from their net to participate in the VoIP Hurricane Prep Net. Since that was done, we kept the VoIP Hurricane Prep Net at 8 PM EST to encourage participation in both nets on Saturday Evenings. With SRD being an all day event and the fact that the CANWARN 'Weather Radio Listeners' Net was at 7 PM and we didn't want people to have to wait until 8 PM to check into our net after what is typically a long day of operating, we have combined the nets to take place at 7 PM EST immediately following SRD 2012.

We hope folks will check into this combined net and this combined net will be the last VoIP Hurricane Prep Net for 2012 as we revert to the first Saturday of the month at 8 PM EST/7 PM CST for the non-hurricane season months. Thanks to all for their continued support of the VoIP Hurricane Net!

73,Rob-KD1CY.
Director of Operations for the VoIP Hurricane Net

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2404. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-067E - CFSO Doug Mercer advises of e-mail addresschange

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 07:26:18 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50B5BC68.7090607@rac.ca>
Source record: 1321
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-067E - CFSO Doug Mercer advises of e-mail address
change
2012-11-27

It's come to my attention that some of you have been attempting to
contact me at vo1dtm@hotmail.com. I wish to advise that as a result of
being hacked (you may recall getting some crazy e-mails from me two
month ago), I no longer use this account. Please use my contact info
on page 4 of TCA, vo1dtm@rac.ca or dougvo1dtm@gmail.com.

To any of you who have had e-mails to me go unanswered, my sincere
apology. I think you know me well enough to know that I don't work
that way. All the best.

Section Managers, please circulate this to as wide an audience
possible upon receipt.

73,

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
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2405. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 28 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 07:31:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04478511bcc3dd04cf892591@google.com>
Source record: 1322
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Tampa Bay, FL Hamfest December 1st & 2nd

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 04:09 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369854-Tampa-Bay-FL-Hamfest-December-1st-amp-2nd&goto=newpost

The Thirty-Seventh Annual

The 2012 Tampa Bay Hamfest

December 1st & 2nd, 2012

Manatee Civic Center - Palmetto, Florida

http://www.fgcarc.org/

The Tampa Bay Hamfest is the largest amateur radio trade show on Florida's west coast. The Manatee Civic Center has numerous amenities including premium meeting facility space, a large exhibit hall, and paved parking.The Manatee Civic Center is in Palmetto, which in located in the south Tampa Bay Area - about halfway between downtown St. Petersburg and downtown Sarasota.

The Talk-In for the hamfest is on the 145.4300 repeater (minus offset)100 Hz tone. This repeater is part of the NI4CE System.

The 2012 Tampa Bay Hamfest continues to build on the success of the previous years.The hamfest continues to expand, with increases in attendance & sales, and we expect the 2012 show to be better than ever!

Show opens on Saturday from 8 till 5 and Sunday 9 till 2.

Please do not send any email inquiries after 9:00 P.M. on Wednesday, November 28th, 2012.

After that time please call 813-765-8916 with any questions.

We have consolidated out tables sections this year. There are no outdoor tables.

The table rental is $25 each for the weekend, you are also required to purchase admission tickets. Tables are eight feet long. Reservations will be accepted starting August 1st. Tables are first come, first serve. Past attendees have priority on floor location selection.You may

set up Friday 3:00 to 6:00 P.M., Saturday starting at 7:00 A.M., Sunday at 8:00 A.M.. Consider bringing a cover (s) for your items on the tables.Final payment is due on or before December 1. There is no discount for electric. There is no additional discount for club tables. There is no additional discount on admission tickets.

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Hamfest Ocala, FL Saturday December 8th, 20112

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 03:54 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369853-Hamfest-Ocala-FL-Saturday-December-8th-20112&goto=newpost

Come out and join us for our HamFest at Green Clover Hall, McPherson Complex, 319 SE 26th Terrace. Admission tickets are $5.00, tailgaters $5.00 plus admission for 10 X 20 space. Tailgate setup time 6:30 am. You will get 2 tickets and 2 chances to win a door prize. Call in 146.610
http://k4gso.us/

Hamfest flyer w/map http://k4gso.us/festival-2/

More info call Paul Klawunn 352-288-2444 e-mail kj4amh@gmail.com

2406. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 28 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 11:07:16 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93998b3f80a6b04cf8c2a93@google.com>
Source record: 1323
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tommy from ZL9HR DXpedition interviewed on Prime time Morning report on
Radio New Zealand

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/veuCI5E7Zrs/zl9hr_dxpedition_on_radio_new_zealand.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Before sailing, Tommy VK2IR was able to fit in short interview with the New
Zealand national radio station, to talk about the ZL9HR DXpedition to
Campbell Island and Amateur Radio in general

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Mid Severn Valley RAYNET called out in support of flood preparations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BTbu5USzQCQ/raynet_called_out_in_support_of_flood_preparations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Available members of Mid Severn group were tasked by the Worcestershire
County Council County Volunteers Emergency Committee (CVEC) during the
afternoon of Sunday November 25th as a very short notice response for
volunteers

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Fox-1 CubeSat design published in Proceedings and Web

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2LyzJksnHro/fox1_cubesat_design_published_in_proceedings_and_web.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

During the 2012 Symposium AMSAT Vice-President Engineering, Tony Monteiro,
AA2TX and the Fox Engineering team presented the latest status on the
design, development, and construction of the Fox-1A satellite project. This
is the 1U cubesat which is slated as the FM repeater transponder to replace
AO-51

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Steven Spielberg's 'Lincoln'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vG8gxNz3SMM/steven_spielbergs_lincoln.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the Morse Telegraph Club, an association of retired railroad and commercial telegraphers, historians, radio amateurs and others with an interest in the history and traditions of telegraphy and the telegraph industry played an important role in the production of 'Lincoln.'

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GW4DGU launches new Amateur Radio microwave system component website

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YyIhVPyHZ6s/gw4dgu_launches_new_amateur_radio_microwave_system_component_website.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chris Bartram, GW4DGU, will be remembered by many as the founder of muTek limited and the designer of much of the still highly-regarded range of VHF/UHF equipment manufactured by the Company

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Ellen Ochoa, KB5TZZ, named 11th Director of Johnson Space Center

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C6rUFsLc4kI/ellen_ochoa_kb5tzz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA Administrator Charles Bolden, ex-KE4IQB, has named NASA Astronaut Ellen Ochoa, KB5TZZ, as the next Director of the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston, Texas

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Radio Hams active during UK floods

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gcC35XK22zI/radio_hams_active_during_uk_floods.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Worcester News ran a page for postings about the floods, one of which featured amateur radio

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2013 SARL AGM

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/F3NXbwsioqo/2013_sarl_agm.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is that time of the year when the South African Radio League (SARL) starts preparing for the AGM

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Video - ARISSat-1 Operational Survey Results

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KtAs0EcAcxA/arissat1_operational_survey_results.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A video from the ARRL/TAPR DCC in Atlanta produced by Gary Pearce KN4AQ of HamRadioNow

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ZL9HR Campbell Island update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/RShd6KDiBlA/campbell_island_update_2711.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rob ZL1KY reports Tommy VK2IR and the team are currently sheltering in the lee of Stewart Island from 7 meter swells

2407. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 28 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 17:11:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f83a70741b70a04cf9142f4@google.com>
Source record: 1324
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Arizona's Superstition Hamfest Postponed

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 08:21 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370031-Arizona-s-Superstition-Hamfest-Postponed&goto=newpost

SUPERSTITION HAMFEST DELAYED. TO BE RESCHEDULED FOR EARLY 2013.

Superstition Hamfest, set to run on Saturday, December 1 got pushed back due to some paperwork timing issues. The issue arose on the Monday before the scheduled event, we were unable to resolve it and keep the scheduled date in play by Tuesday. It is therefore DELAYED (not "canceled") till a later date in early 2013.

Main Prize drawing tickets already sold will be good toward the same drawing at Noon of the new date in early 2013 for the Hamfest.

We need to shoot for some time about 60 days out and fit around existing Hamfests already on the schedule.

January has a hamfest in the west valley by Thunderbird, and March has one by Scottsdale in the near-east valley, so we need to fit our delayed 2012 hamfest in around these events.

Superstition ARC will plan its regular December 2013 Hamfest to be held as it has in the past, on the first Saturday of December, in addition to the delayed 2012 event.

We apologize for the inconvenience to our vendors and attendees.

73 Larry WB7C

For more info, see http://wb7tjd.org/wiki/Superstition_Hamfest

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HamRadioNow: ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference Video

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 05:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370016-HamRadioNow-ARRL-TAPR-Digital-Communications-Conference-Video&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episode 33, 34, 35:

ARRL/TAPR Digital Communications Conference

Video Begins On-Line

The ARRL/TAPR DCCis an annual, three-day conference featuring presentations on a variety of

technical and operational aspects of Amateur Radio. This year's DCC, held in Atlanta last

September, had 16 of the 45-minute main presentations, the usual Saturday banquet talk,

and a four-hour "deep dive" into GNU radio on Sunday. HamRadioNow videotaped all the talks,

and we are beginning to release them on-line. We'll continue with one or two a week until

you have them all.

Episode 33: What's TAPR, What's the DCC? This is an conversation with TAPR President

Steve Bible N7HPR with a little TAPR history and current events, and a review of the content

and mechanics of the DCC. If you're interested in the more technical side of ham radio,

especially the digital stuff, but aren't that familiar with TAPR, this is the place to begin.

HamRadioNow

Episode 34: ARISStat. It began with SuitSat-1, the AMSAT satellite built into a surplus

Russian space suit and tossed out the back door of the ISS. The follow-up was supposed

to be SuitSat-2, but the ISS got crowded and they had to toss the suit. So

TAPR and AMSAT repackaged the hardware into a more conventional, but

very updated satellite. That's all presented at last year's DCC in the ARISSat-1

Update. This year, Steve Bible N7HPR reviews a survey taken of the ARISSat-1 users,

including hams, educators and students, to see what everyone got out of it. If you

wonder how well ham radio stuff reaches out of our community, this provides a clue.

And a warning. We can do better.

HamRadioNow

Episode 35: HPSDR UPDATE. In Episode 33 (What's TAPR...), Steve and Gary talk about

the High Performance Software Designed Radio system that TAPR and HPSDR design

and make available as boards and parts kits for you to build. In this episode, Scotty Cowling

WA2DFI and Jeremy McDermond NH6Z go over this year's hardware and software updates.

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2408. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 28 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 17:36:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba5cb92ae7004cf919bca@google.com>
Source record: 1325
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Military cross-band test - DoD Certificate for copying the Sec. of
Defense's message?

Posted: 27 Nov 2012 07:14 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369988-Military-cross-band-test-DoD-Certificate-for-copying-the-Sec-of-Defense-s-message&goto=newpost

Greetings all,

Has anyone received their certificate from copying the Secretary of
Defense's message on the digital modes from this year's Military cross-band
test? I copied it and submitted the requested information as noted in
the .pdf file for the event, but haven't received anything yet. I didn't
include a SASE - would that make a difference?

For those who have participated in past years and have received the
certificate, how long did it take?

Thanks and 73!

Dave - KC9GHA

2409. eHam.net News for Wednesday 28 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-28 23:52:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fc3aa75a04cf96dbf5@google.com>
Source record: 1326
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Intrepid Journey for Remote Radio Contact:

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 01:46 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29420

Ten amateur radio operators set out from Bluff yesterday for one of the holy grails of the transmitting world, Campbell Island. The group, consisting of ham operators from New Zealand, Australia, the United States, Canada, Hungary and Borneo, left Bluff Harbour on the 25-metre yacht Evohe, destined for the remote sub-Antarctic islands. Expedition leader Tommy Horozakis, of Melbourne, said the purpose of the trip was to erect at least five radio stations and transmit signals around the world for 10 days. "Thousands of ham radio operators from every continent on Earth will attempt to make contact. We expect to make 60,000 contacts," he said from Bluff before the group weighed anchor. For many ham operators the ultimate thrill is to receive contact from a list of 340 countries or entities on a list established within the ham community. The highest-level award requires the applicant to contact all entities on the DXCC list. DXing is the hobby of receiving and identifying distant radio or television signals, or making two-way radio contact with distant stations in amateur radio. Expedition co-leader John Halkiadakis said the list of entities were ranked on how difficult they were to make contact with. "Campbell Island is extremely remote, with the last major ham radio expedition to Campbell Island in January 1999," he said. "So people have to wait a long time for a chance to make contact with some entities." Campbell Island ranks at number 11 on the DXCC list. The list is toppped by North Korea, who ban ham radio use, Navassa Island in the Caribbean Sea, Bouvet Island in the South Atlantic Ocean, Yemen, and Heard Island, which is about two-thirds of the way to Antarctica from Madagascar.

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Solar Minimum; Solar Maximum:

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 01:44 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29419

The sun goes through a natural solar cycle approximately every 11 years. The cycle is marked by the increase and decrease of sunspots - visible as dark blemishes on the sun's surface, or photosphere. The greatest number of sunspots in any given solar cycle is designated as "solar maximum." The lowest number is "solar minimum." The solar cycle provides more than just increased sunspots, however. In the sun's atmosphere, or corona, bright

active regions appear, which are rooted in the lower sunspots.

2410. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 28 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 03:45:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301d3daa8242ae04cf9a1ec9@google.com>
Source record: 1327
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Planning sends ham radio tower on to council - Mount Shasta Herald

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 02:44 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHF8UPZPul1LlHQmN7s2Ukrlq6Etw&url=http://www.mtshastanews.com/article/20121128/NEWS/121129813

Planning sends ham radio tower on to council
Mount Shasta Herald
Commission Chairman Craig Porter asked why the requested amendment included windmills in addition to ham radio towers. "The staff is always trying to think outside the box," Alexander said. "Windmills are certainly becoming more popular source of ...

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Radio operators throughout North Country participate in test - DenPubs

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 11:15 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE30hsVijNh4rCBV-1eHiNUiaYCsw&url=http://www.denpubs.com/news/2012/nov/28/radio-operators-throughout-north-country-participa/

Radio operators throughout North Country participate in test
DenPubs
Lewis – Essex County Amateur Radio Operators, RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services) and ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Services) members participated in the Nationwide Emergency Communications Simulated Emergency Test on the ...
Brown County Ham Operators to Participate in Emergency TestBrownwood News (blog)

all 2 news articles

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Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 10:16 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFqUkaRzlqWOmwoHByZFLb-AOgHLA&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/ham-radio-robotics-luring-kids-technology-74714

Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology
Electronic Design (blog)

Im turning the place over to Brian Cieslak, K9WIS,who writes about his personal experiences with FIRST, an organization that runs robotic competitions for kids. I answered Brians CQ on 20 meters, and in the ensuing QSO, I mentioned that I was just ...

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GW4DGU launches new Amateur Radio microwave system component website - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 12:29 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE1FC-Z3jtnsDlXZVod2yQHMn5sng&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/gw4dgu_launches_new_amateur_radio_microwave_system_component_website.htm

GW4DGU launches new Amateur Radio microwave system component website
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Chris Bartram, GW4DGU, will be remembered by many as the founder of muTek limited and the designer of much of the still highly-regarded range of VHF/UHF equipment manufactured by the Company. Although he has remained an active ...

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The 14th Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day Set for December 1 - ARRL

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 08:32 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGAHpjimlQusx49GEbuQHXUM-Bg4A&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/the-14th-annual-skywarn-recognition-day-set-for-december-1

ARRL
The 14th Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day Set for December 1
ARRL
SRD is co-sponsored by the ARRL and the National Weather Service (NWS) as a way to recognize the commitment made by Amateur Radio operators in helping to keep their communities safe. According to SRD Coordinator David Floyd, N5DBZ, ... Floyd said that ...

2411. Indie top songs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 07:05:43 UTC
From: Jackson <jackson.luck83@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <c263d152-6ee3-4776-86d4-e98bdd7e9665@v9g2000pbi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1328

Check out the Best New Songs of 2012. Discover the Top Indie Songs
2012 artists as well as Best Indie Songs, alternative pop and electro
bangers! Please visit us at http://www.bitcandy.com/bits/weekly-new-indie

2412. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 48 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 07:11:19 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121129071056.6ACD61233135B@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1329
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 48 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-11-29
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: E5 ; Cook Island ; Square: BH01 ; start 2012-11-25

Holiday style Dxpedition from BH01CC and BH01DC (will be two locations)
EME WSJT: 2m 1KW.

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2013-03-01

DL0AT qrv from JO44HI

Aktivate the Lighthouse Westerhever with big power on the top on the lighthouse.
2x7 ele es 2x 9 ele with 2x 750 watts. FED: 260; LH 0063

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5W ; Samoa ; Square: AH36 ; start 2013-04-04

A German team will activate Samoa, IOTA OC-097
from Le Lagoto on Savaii in the northern part of the island - grid AH36TN.
Our well know 2m EME station Joe DL9MS will operate 2m EME.

Source: http://5w0m.hkmann.de/?Home

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2013-10-25

Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate Crete in Oktober 2013 on 2m EME.
Rig is as always TS2000, 2 x 9 ele M2 and BeKo SSPA with sufficient output power.
Location will Pelamare Apartments in Kokkini Hani, 13 kilometres East of Iraklion,
in the North of Crete. Website http://pelamare.webs.com/. Locator is KM25PH
We are very grateful for Pelamare Apts owner Manos SV9ANJ for supporting this DXpedition!

SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable
HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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2413. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 07:33:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec54fae8426a2f304cf9d4cae@google.com>
Source record: 1330
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Superstition Hamfest Mesa, AZ, Dec 1 DELAYED

Posted: 27 Nov 2012 11:31 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370004-Superstition-Hamfest-Mesa-AZ-Dec-1-DELAYED&goto=newpost

Mesa, AZ

SUPERSTITION HAMFEST DELAYED. TO BE RESCHEDULED FOR EARLY 2013.

Superstition Hamfest, set to run on Saturday, December 1, got pushed back due to

some paperwork timing issues. The issue arose on the Monday before the scheduled

event, we were unable to resolve it and keep the scheduled date in play by Tuesday.

It is therefore DELAYED (not "canceled") till a later date in early 2013.

Main Prize drawing tickets already sold will be good toward the same drawing

at Noon of the new date in early 2013 for the Hamfest.

We need to shoot for some time about 60 days out and fit around existing

Hamfests already on the schedule.

January has a hamfest in the west valley by Thunderbird ARC,

and March has one by Scottsdale ARC in the near-east valley,

so we need to fit our delayed 2012 hamfest in around these events.

Superstition ARC will plan its regular December 2013 Hamfest to be held as it

has in the past, on the first Saturday of December, in addition to the delayed 2012 event.

We apologize for the inconvenience to our vendors and attendees.

Please see http://wb7tjd.org/hamfest/ for the latest news.

73

Larry

WB7C

Superstition Amateur Radio Club

2414. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 11:15:15 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0447f2da3902ab04cfa06541@google.com>
Source record: 1331
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Statement about Radio Amateurs' Advanced Examination in Northern Ireland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cqJo6kPJutE/statement_about_advanced_examination_in_northern_ireland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The RCF has announced that Ofcom has supported its decision to disallow an Amateur Radio examination

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OgC_hnt1Ttc/november_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Yet another bumper week ending of course with the CQWW CW contest. Not my favourite mode, CW. Lots of DX though for those who do enjoy it

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Ham Radio vs Robotics for luring kids into technology

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rXqT0g_1NCg/ham_radio_vs_robotics_for_luring_kids_into_technology.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Electronic Design magazine site discusses ways to inspire students in engineering and technology fields

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Video - Satellite powered by your smartphone

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/McJHY9PoWJ8/satellite_powered_by_your_smartphone.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Three Phonesats with amateur radio downlinks in 437 MHz are slated to launch December 17

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VoIP Hurricane Prep Net and CANWARN 'Weather Radio Listeners Net' combined

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6RBTpFlEbDU/hurricane_prep_net_and_canwarn_combined.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The last VoIP Hurricane Prep Net for 2012 and the CANWARN 'Weather Radio Listeners' Net will be combined for Saturday December 1st, 2012 at 7 PM EST/0000 UTC immediately following SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) 2012

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InnovAntennas and the UK Six Metre Group sponsors Z81D

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0Ul_RTOs4fw/innovantennas_and_the_uk_six_metre_group_sponsors_z81d.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

InnovAntennas and the United Kingdom Six Metre Group (UKSMG), along with some group members such as EA8AK, have helped fund the antenna setup at Z81D in South Sudan

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Council members divided over city cellphone ban

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iLdcbPAvX_w/council_members_divided_over_city_cellphone_ban.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Daily Inter Lake reports that concern was expressed about an exemption in the ordinance for people who hold amateur radio operator licenses

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Planning sends ham radio tower on to council

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2G7v-6S9w9s/planning_sends_ham_radio_tower_on_to_council.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Siskiyou Daily reports on Tuesday's public hearing to consider recommending amending a city zoning ordinance to allow amateur radio towers higher than 35 feet

2415. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 12:12:23 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k97jf2$a9c$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1332
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cqJo6kPJutE/statement_about_advanced_examination_in_northern_ireland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
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> The RCF has announced that Ofcom has supported its decision to disallow an
> Amateur Radio examination
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woo hoo...how about cancelling all the other FL examination passes now ? woo hoo ....

2416. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 12:56:10 UTC
From: Jeefaw KaFKaesque <mike.gathergood@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <a6387d82-72bf-4421-9e30-dcfddcffcf8c@uc4g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1333
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Nov 29, 11:15 am, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
<newsd...@southgatearc.org> wrote:
> The RCF has announced that Ofcom has supported its decision to disallow an
> Amateur Radio examination

How bizarre! Whatever happened to the presumption of innocence?

If there's no proof of guilt, surely the right thing to do is to issue
pass certificates immediately and apologise to all concerned?

2417. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 12:57:08 UTC
From: David Woolley <david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid>
Message-ID: <k97m3gole1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1334
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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been that the same errors were on both candidates' papers, which is
something that could happen legitimately, but to be safe, they wanted
the candidates to be re-examined, without further charge.

2418. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 12:59:53 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k97m8bpfu1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1335
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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2419. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 13:04:41 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k97mharbm1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1336
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"David Woolley" <david@ex.djwhome.demon.invalid> wrote in message
news:k97m3gole1@dont-email.me...
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then get failed......

2420. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 13:33:45 UTC
From: Fred Roberts <foo@bar.com>
Message-ID: <UuJts.526105$Bz2.476960@fx11.am4>
Source record: 1337
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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Everyone who gained a pass in any exam at the Lough Erne club should have their papers remarked. The club should not be allowed to run exams in the future, failing that it is to be hoped the two candidates concerned (one of whom resides in the Republic of Ireland and has failed the RAE there on numerous occasions) are not permitted to resit the exam in the Lough Erne club!

This however is only the tip of the iceberg. Cheating has been rife in Northern Ireland and the rest of the UK since the launch of the 3 tier farce which was designed solely to generate revenue for the RSGB. I and others have consistently highlighted this cheating only to have the claims consistently rubbished by an Class B/M3 twat with a vested interest in the scheme.

2421. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 16:28:03 UTC
From: Jim Stewart <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k982en$6oa$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1338
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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> Northern Ireland and the rest of the UK since the launch of the 3 tier
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what do you expect when you open the doors to people who thought nothing
about freebanding on 11m etc ......loved threatening behaviour and stealing
equipment from radio amateurs....they just don't change their ways.....

2422. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 16:48:11 UTC
From: Real Radio Ham Operator <listener.cs@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <75a95c13-5e77-4f6e-91d4-f7af469f6ae0@w7g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1339
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Nov 29, 4:28 pm, "Jim Stewart" <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
wrote:
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> > Northern Ireland and the rest of the UK since the launch of the 3 tier
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jimbo, if the powers that be, have said it is not a regulated band,
then why does it bother you so much. and is the thief you are talking
about. Jimmy Savilles Nephew, or is it Just Some Numpty. and the
threating behavior is all some people know. the louder the shout the
bigger the coward, the most afraid. Has anyone stolen somthing from
you?
So why does it bother you?.
Puzzled
Dont like to see you so upset

2423. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 17:28:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404c1c3175404cfa59a09@google.com>
Source record: 1340
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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H44G Solomon Islands

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 01:32 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370124-H44G-Solomon-Islands&goto=newpost

DK1BT, DK7LX , DL4WK , DL7KL , DL7DF , DL7UFN , DL7UFR , SP3CYY and SP3DOI
will be active from Solomon Islands 8-25 March 2013 as H44G

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...lomon-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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Mini-DXpedition planned

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 02:30 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370075-Mini-DXpedition-planned&goto=newpost

I am going on a Mini-Dxpedition!

I am renting a house on the coast of NC next week and I am bringing three
things:

1) My IC-7000

2) My Buddipole Deluxe antenna system

3) My dog

I will be there at least 4 nights. I am hoping the conditions will be ok.

It has been a while since I have been on HF...any word on how conditions
are lately??

Thanks

Joe

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Historic Bridge Weekend

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 09:45 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370040-Historic-Bridge-Weekend&goto=newpost

There are many unique bridges around the country. The Midwest DX Club K8CJQ will be sponsoring the first Historic Bridge Weekend on July 19 - 21, 2013. Anyone planning to participate in the event please contact the club at historicbridge@gmail.com

Also check out our website at K8CJQ.org for more information.

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Return of Historic W9BSP-W9UA KW Transmitter at Ensor Museum in Olathe KS.

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 09:28 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370039-Return-of-Historic-W9BSP-W9UA-KW-Transmitter-at-Ensor-Museum-in-Olathe-KS&goto=newpost

After over 40 years of silence, the beautiful hand built transmitter of Marshall H. Ensor is once again in operating condition. It underwent restoration including safety considerations, by a team of Marshall Ensor Memorial Organization members.

The grand return to 75 Meters takes place on December 8th. The AM rig will push out legal limits of RF on the 3885 or near by frequency by limited crystal control.

7 PM -10 PM Central time. AM or SSB will be answered during announced time slots.

QSL to WØPWJ

Ensor Museum web site; http://w9bsp-w9ua.org

2424. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 17:34:54 UTC
From: "Brian Reay." <seewebsiteinv@ild.com>
Message-ID: <k986do$1fq$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1341
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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Brian G8OSN/W8OSN
www.g8osn.net

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>
> Everyone who gained a pass in any exam at the Lough Erne club should have
> their papers remarked.

As OFCOM have specifically stated in their letter to the club:

"I think it is very unfortunate that the questions that have been
raised relating to the validity of the exam results have been
translated as indicating that cheating may have taken place and then
by implication that the integrity of the club and you as an
invigilator is being questioned. I have not found evidence that this
was the case."

Why would such action be justified?

The fact is, that, as I told the RCF, their analysis was wrong. OFCOM
acknowledge this.

"The post exam judgement is based on statistics and, in case the
results were a rare fluke,"

So, Frank, I suggest you start back tracking.

Needless to say, the RCF are not being entirely open about their 'cock up',
and this isn't the first time the same person has got his stats wrong.
OFCOM have told them to review the appeal procedures. Long over due.

One thing I want to see, when they do think they find a real case, publish
the details.

2425. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 02 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 19:07:16 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <258caf21-58c0-4c50-98b1-9419f527bcba@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1342
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-12-02.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - DECEMBER 02 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

THE BEST NEWS YOU'LL GET ALL WEEK

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TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 02 2012.

ACMA warning about non-compliant goods

Bill Hall VK2XT turns 100

VK INTRUDER WATCH-MAN FALLS SILENT KEY

N 0 D special event station celebrating the End of the World

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING DEC 2 2012.

Must be the 'silly season' approaching, 2 or 3 of maybe the years weirdest
stories to pass the National News Desk in this week.

Alternate use for CubeSats

While we radio hams use CubeSats for communications, Glasgow based Alba Space
is planning to use them for Space Burials.

Yes Burials.

Alba Space say they aim to use CubeSats to carry cremated ashes into Space
and their longer term aims include helping all open access to Space.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ft6i_7FSdko

http://www.albaorbital.com/

N 0 D special event station celebrating the End of the World

That's right, the end is finally near. According to one of the three Mayan Calendars, the End of the World will occur on December 21, 2012.

To celebrate this literally once in a lifetime event, Special Event Station N0D (Now Zero Days) will be activated for three days during and after(?) the end of the world.

December 20 is a celebration of the end of the world.
December 21, the day of destruction and N 0 D will be on the air as long as possible. December 22nd, but that is a little iffy right now.

N0D will be activated on the satellites by Allen Mattis, N5AFV, on December 20, 21 unless the day of destruction makes that impossible, and on December 22, 2012 if the world survives.

http://www.nowzerodays.com

Many would have seen on TV the past week or so the nonexistence of 'Sandy Island.'

Well again we Radio Hams were first to discover the disappearance of Sandy Island over 12 years ago.

It seems that although Sandy Island appears on Google maps, world maps and marine charts mid-way between Australia and New Caledonia it doesn't in fact exist.

The Daily Mail newspaper in the UK refers to a story by Richard Chirgwin which says the hams in question reported that they sought Sandy Island in 2000 because its existence would have disqualified the Chesterfields from being a worthy DXpedition location.

Its existence "was one of the key issues in determining whether the Chesterfield Islands qualified for addition to the DXCC List as another new entity,"

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/11/22/undiscovered_sandy_island/

http://www.n4gn.com/tx0dx/16.html

PRACTICE WHAT WE REACH

Have you reached the special station 5 G 12 ITD yet?

A strange one for we VERY (tongue in cheek) 'TOLERANT' folk known as Radio Hams.

Seems special event station 5 G 12 ITD is on the air from Morocco in celebration of International Tolerance Day.

The United Nations sponsor International Day for Tolerance annually to observe and educate people about the need for tolerance in society and to help them understand the negative effects of intolerance.

Now some bright spark has realised as a group we may very well need help ourselves so we now have 5G12ITD active all bands and all modes through December 16th.

QSL via RW6HS.

(Southgate)

ACMA warning about non-compliant goods

The Australian Consumer and Media Authority is looking for devices that pose a high a high risk to the orderly use of the radio spectrum and public safety.

ACMA Field Staff, particularly in West Australia, are looking for mobile phone jammers and GPS jammers, both prohibited in this country, mobile phone repeaters, and non-compliant devices such as cordless phones and headsets.

The campaign will include education, traditional enforcement measures and also focus on improving the supply compliance of online, or over the internet purchased devices.

A comment by a radio amateur to the ACMA claimed there was concern about non-compliant imported goods that are stamped to be compliant.

He wants the ACMA to clamp down on switch mode power supplies through to plasma TV sets that don't meet the standards and cause much interference.

Hopefully the ACMA will include all offending devices when checking installations and sellers.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

RF RESEARCH NEWS

Adapting RFID to identify and monitor human activity

University of Adelaide computer scientists are leading a project to develop novel sensor systems to help older people keep living independently and safely in their own homes.

The researchers are adapting radiofrequency identification (RFID) and sensor technologies to automatically identify and monitor human activity, to be able to determine if an individual's normal routine is being maintained so that timely assistance can be provided if it is needed.

Although RFID technology has been around since World War II and is in common use today in applications such as anti-shoplifting and vehicle identification at toll road collection points, its potential use in interpreting human activity remains largely in the laboratory.

"Our work will be among the first few projects in the world conducting large-scale common-sense reasoning in automatic human activity recognition," said chief investigator and University of Adelaide

senior lecturer Dr Michael Sheng.

The system will be low-cost and unobtrusive, and without the privacy issues and intensive monitoring of video surveillance. There will be no need for older people to wear anything or turn anything on or off.

The technology will be first investigated in a laboratory setting and then in hospital trials with geriatric patients.

http://www.radiocomms.com.au/articles/57272

(Sourced from the Radio Comms Web e-zine and published from vk7wi news)

Fire cuts off communication

In one of the most severe outages in Australia in recent memory, a fire at the Warrnambool telephone exchange in southwest Victoria 10-days ago affected 60,000 people.

Its landline, mobile and internet served as a district hub beyond Warrnambool, including the towns from Lismore right through to Hamilton, Edenhope and Portland.

While amateur radio, through WICEN (Vic), was on alert, only minimal use was made of its emergency communication services before the official stand down order was received.

Telstra acted quickly to replace the damaged exchange components and has now restored its services to the business and private sector.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee)

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW RTTY Melee December 1
WW ARRL 10 m Contest December 8- 9

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

VK5VF Adelaide 6m, 2m and 70 cm beacons back on air.

Just in time for the VHF DX season, the 6m, 2m, & 70cm beacons have been serviced and put back into operation at Mt Lofty near Adelaide in VK5.

As the VK5 Mt Lofty 6m beacon has been off air for some time, in restoring the operation of the beacon it has also had a frequency change in accordance with the WIA band plans. Part of the rebuild included referencing the 6m and 70cm beacon frequencies to the GPS.

The VK5VF beacon frequencies are,

The new 6m frequency is now 50.320 MHz

The 2m frequency is 144.450 MHz and

The 70cm frequency is 432.450 MHz

So those who are into VK VHF DX, these beacons are again available.

(VK5BB Amateur Radio Experimenters Group)

MORNING TEA ON THE WIRELESS
Hornsby and District Amateur Radio Club runs a net on Friday mornings 7104.
This at 2200hrs (UTC Thursday's) so if propagation is right the 'morning teas
on' 7104.

Farewell To Bletchley Park - GB2BP QSO Party

The Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society (MKARS), the resident radio club at
Bletchley Park for nearly twenty years, will be leaving the Park as of the
1st January 2013. To mark this occasion MKARS will be holding a 'QSO party'
on the weekend of the 15th-16th December.

ZL9HR

Before sailing, Tommy, VK2IR was able to fit in a short interview with
New Zealand national radio, to talk about the ZL9HR DX'Pedition to
Campbell Island and Amateur Radio in general.

www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/morningreport/audio/2539655/radio-operators-sail-for
-campbell-island

The arrival of the ZL9HR team was been delayed due to bad weather and at time
of writing last Ed VK2JI reminded us all the expedition was totally weather
dependant.

As updates on CI come in the official spot to watch is
ZL9HR.COM

ZL's Southland Times story of "one of the holy grails of the transmitting
world, the Campbell Islands," is on

www.stuff.co.nz/southland-times/news/7999586/Focus-on-holy-grail

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Independence celebrations in Algeria
several special stations are active until the end of 2012.
Prefix hunters will have the opportunity to work 7U50I, 7V50I, 7W50I and
7Y50I.
Details of a special award in connection with this event can be found on
QRZ.COM

E I 25 D B Dublin Bus celebrates its 25th Birthday.
To celebrate the event a Special Event Station EI25DB will be aired
between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013. The station will be operated
by current and former employees of Dublin Bus led by Declan EI9HQ and
Pete EI4GZB.
QSLs to Declan EI9HQ or on LOTW or HamLog.eu

DK9FN will once again return to Temotu Province, active as H 40 FN between
this December 22nd and January 7th of 2013.
QSL H40FN via HA8DD.

F4CYZ is operational from Morocco as CN2YZ through years end. His activity has been from Tangier especially on the weekends. The Mediterraneo DX Club is supporting his activities and is also providing a Web site with a log-check.
It's in cyberspace at www.mdxc.org/cn2yz

F 6 KOP expected to be active from Uganda as 5 X 8 C between Feb 6 to 18 from a location some 20 Km from Entebbe airport. 5X8CX has announced they will comply to the last IARU band plan on 40 meters for the region with the frequencies of the PSK and RTTY moved to 7040 and 7042 kHz.
For more details see www.5x2013.com

TG 9/KF 5 LSG will be active from Guatemala until middle of January.
He may operate as TG 9 IDX.
If you make contact, please QSL via his home callsign DL 5 RMH.

VK 6 DXI will be active stroke FK from New Caledonia until mid-December.
He has been heard on 28.485 MHz around 07:20 UTC.
QSL via VK6DXI

Special event station 8 J 6 HAM will be operational from the Island of Kyushu Japan, between December 10th and March 3rd. Activity is in celebration of the 12th West Japan Ham Fair with operations on all bands and using many modes. QSL via the JARL Bureau.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Build or modify it yourself

A good knowledge and know-how core group is among those who have formed the Homebrew and Constructors Group that meets at the Amateur Radio Victoria office in Ashburton.

Their next meeting is Saturday the 8th of December at 2pm. All are welcome to join this 'Show and Tell' day, whether you are new at homebrewing or an old hand, see you 2pm next Saturday at 40G Victory Boulevard, Ashburton.

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

theTARCinc held the 2012 Annual General Meeting at Rossiter Park Aitkenvale in shady surroundings near Ross River.

The meeting got underway from around 8-30am under the shady trees in the refreshing breeze and the following results were produced.

President - Richard Goodhew VK4FRJG
Vice President - Snow Herodes VK4ME
Treasurer - Bob Hinds VK4AAH

Secretary - Gavin Reibelt VK4ZZ

the meeting acknowledged with vigorous acclaim the Life Member status of
Alan Stephenson VK4PS
Evelyn Bahr VK4EQ
Ron Tulloch VK4BF
Ray Hinks VK4LU
Walter Watkins VK4DO
Gavin Reibelt VK4ZZ

VK5

South Coast Amateur Radio Club AGM, a new group of Committee members were voted in.

Chairman : Louis VK5VFO
Treasurer : Rick VK5FRGK
Secretary : Stef VK5HSX

General Committee Members: Colin VK5FFAR, Barry VK5KBJ, Daniel VK5DF, Reg VK5FGFK, and Steve VK5ZEO.

Thanks must go to the previous Committee who worked tirelessly to secure SCARC a New home for Clubrooms and install a Shack. Great effort guys and thanks for your hard work.

There were some awards presented at the AGM, which were awarded to the following Members:

Russell Smith Memorial Award: Dave Wilson VK5LSB
Chairman's Award: Rick Kearsley VK5FRGK
Certificate of Appreciation : Herb VK5HK, Colin VK5FFAR, Jeff VK5MSC and Graham Daff.

The Club Christmas BBQ Break-up will be held on Wed 12 Dec @1830hrs, at Market Square Reserve (Old Noarlunga). The Club will provide meat, sauce & bread, while members are asked to bring a salad to share. Please BYO chairs, tables, drinks, cutlery and anything else needed.

There is plenty of open space and a playground for kids to use, so bring the family along and enjoy the Club's end of year social event.

On behalf of Committee & Members of South Coast Amateur Radio Club, SCARC would like to wish everyone all the best for the Festive Season, as well as wishing everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Stay safe if you're travelling and see you back in 2013.

(Stef Daniels VK5HSX, SCARC Secretary)

HOME OF THE GOOD GUYS

Bill Hall VK2XT turned 100 on Friday 30th November 2012.

He is still on the radio every day and still talks around the world.

He has been operator for over 82 years and WIA Member all this time.

He still goes to Trash & Treasure at Dural every two months and always at Wrong Field day.

He was still driving this car until short time ago .

(Brian Kelly VK2WBK)

SILENT KEY

Vale Tom Walker VK4BTW

On the 19th November 2012, Thomas Allan Walker passed away after contending for some years with a weakening heart.

Tom was born on 11th December 1919 to Sutherland Douglas and Eleanor Jean Walker at 'Ripera', South Dulacca, southern inland Queensland.

Tom received primary school education at the South Dulacca State School, and his secondary education was received at the Gatton campus of the Queensland Agricultural and High School College, graduating his Junior Certificate.

He returned home to look after the farm upon the unexpected death of his father. Tom built his first radio from technical journals prior to undertaking a radio course by correspondence, studying at night by the light of the acetylene lamp. He did this study while working at sucker bashing (clearing of scrub re-growth) and dam building during the day.

Having gained his Certificate for Radio Service Engineering in 1945, he undertook to repair radios and television sets in the area "to help people out". This helpfulness was the hallmark of Tom Walker's life.

He also installed and serviced home lighting plants from generator to the last light bulb, but when, in 1965, reticulated power was introduced, his lack of electrical qualifications prevented him from continuing in this line.

In 1953 Tom, with his wife Miriam, established the Dulacca Radio Service, adding television qualifications to his skills in 1961.

Ultimately, Tom, Miriam and their children, (Carmen, Allan, Rhys (dec) and Ken) moved to Toowoomba, where Tom finished his working life as a technician at what is now Win TV (known as 10-4-5a in those days).

Tom joined the Darling Downs Radio Club in the late 1970's, and with the help of Roley Norgaard (ex VK4AOR) with the Morse Code after having had much trial and tribulation in CW, he , successfully contested the AOCP exam gaining VK4BTW as his call sign.

He received quite a few awards from the WIA re his service to amateur radio in Queensland. However, the most well-known of these is for his work with Intruder Watch, now IARUMS. Tom was State Co-ordinator, and every Friday afternoon would see him on 40 metres with Gordon, VK4KAL (Federal Co-ordinator) who lived at Rubyvale, central Qld.

Tom has always made himself available to any budding amateurs, both practically and sympathetically, yet for all his vast knowledge and experience, his life was example of humility and modesty. For this he was highly regarded and respected, being invited annually to conduct the election of officers at the AGM.

In later years, after a severe heart attack, his HF activities diminished to the point of ceasing altogether. However, he continued, almost to the end, covering the 2 metre net each Sunday morning via the Club's repeater VK4RDD at Toowoomba.

He is greatly missed by Club members and on air friends.

73's, Tom.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

ALL SOUTH AFRICAN RADIO AMATEURS WILL HAVE TO REAPPLY FOR THEIR LICENSES

At an ICASA/SARL Liaison committee meeting, ICASA informed the SARL that following a qualified audit by the Auditor General, ICASA has been instructed to implement regulation 15 of the Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations which stipulate that an amateur radio license can only be renewed for up to five years after which an new application has to be submitted.

All Radio Amateurs in South Africa will now be required to re-apply for a license for the period of 1 April 2013 till 31 March 2018.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

ALLEGED COPPER THIEVES CHARGED IN OHIO

Federal officials in Cleveland, Ohio, have charged 28 year old Thomas M. Carbone and 23 year old Katie M. Stanton with the malicious destruction of federally-licensed communications lines. U.S. Attorney Steve Dettelbach said that the defendants are accused of allegedly breaking into and seriously damaging radio towers.

The indictment charges that on or about August 17 to 18, 2012, Carbone and Stanton unlawfully entered the property of Radio One in North Royalton, Ohio, and wilfully and maliciously destroyed and removed copper material from four radio station towers on the property. According to the indictment, this unlawful removal of copper depleted the signal strength of the radio station, thereby impeding its ability to broadcast emergency messages. As such emergency repairs cost nearly $11,000 while permanent repairs will cost an estimated $125,000.

The indictment also charges that Carbone and
Stanton conspired together to commit these
unlawful acts.

SPACE WEATHER TO INTRODUCE TWO NEW PRODUCTS

This note from National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Tentatively on December 11th the Space Weather Prediction Centre
will introduce two new forecast products titled the 3-Day Forecast
and the Forecast Discussion.

These new products will be available twice a day at 00:30 and 12:30 UTC
to provide space weather information in abbreviated and detailed formats.

Both will use NOAA Space Weather Scale information.

Examples of these new products are available at
tinyurl.com/caqy4ox and for the concise, 1-page summary
tinyurl.com/bm9flp6 for the in-depth space weather analysis.
These two products will supplement the existing product
suite and no current forecasts will be discontinued.

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MEDIA WATCH

Ham Radio on ABC

Southgate ARClub are reporting how Kevin Crockett VK3CKC, Max Brighton VK3ZNT
and John Williams VK2AWJ got some publicity for amateur radio on ABC radio.

The three talked about amateur radio for 20 minutes to ABC's Ann Jones.

The MP3 of the radio show can be heard at
http://mpegmedia.abc.net.au/local/centralvic/201211/r1038157_11937730.mp3

ABC - Ham Radio Signal Strong
http://www.abc.net.au/local/stories/2012/11/22/3638554.htm

Sunraysia Radio Group
http://www.sunradio.org.au/

Midland Amateur Radio Club
http://www.marc.org.au/

Jim Linton also told us how these ABC studios in Mildura and Bendigo, in
rural Victoria, were taken over by the three long-time and knowledgeable
radio amateurs.

>From the Sunraysia Radio Group was the President, Max Brighton VK3ZMT and
Treasurer John Williams VK2AWJ, and from the Midland Amateur Radio Club its
President Kevin Crockett VK3CKC.

With the ABC's Presenter, Ann Mitchell, they answered questions and made
some useful points such as the International Space Station, Echo-link, international
friendships, and the Foundation Licence that has attracted more females plus

younger people.

A number of talk-back callers through the two studio hook-up greatly added to the interest.

Now let us listen to a part of the 20 minute segment.(VK1 Studio plays MP3 with outcue ... nice to have it.)

The URL of the full ABC interview is to be found on the text edition of this VK1WIA broadcast.

http://www.abc.net.au/local/stories/2012/11/22/3638554.htm?site=westernvic

(SouthGate ARC and Jim Linton VK3PC)

Radio Ham interviewed on Swedish radio

A Swedish radio show featured an interview with radio amateur Hojun Song DS1SBO about his OSSI CubeSat.

Monday, November 26 at 12:10 CET Swedish Radio broadcast a show about the Maker Movement that included an item on Hojun Song DS1SBO and the OSSI CubeSat that is planned to launch on a Soyuz-2-1b rocket in April 2013.

The item started about 1:20 into the show and the MP3 can be downloaded from http://sverigesradio.se/topsy/ljudfil/4274449.mp3

While Hojun Song speaks in English the rest is entirely in Swedish - roll on Google speech convertor.

A picture and details of the show in Google English are at http://bit.ly/TlA6B

(SouthGate)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

NASA PHONESAT COMING SOON TO HAM RADIO

Scientists at NASA's Ames Research Centre have built the most affordable ham band satellite to date. Speaking on Amateur Radio Newsline, KB 3 TZD said that the $3,500 orbital device is a CubeSat the size of a coffee cup that uses an off-the-shelf Nexus One smartphone as a central processor and an inexpensive off the shelf radio for communications with the ground.

Called PhoneSat 1, the tiny bird is scheduled to launch by the end of this year. Once on-orbit it will transmit back photos of Earth on an amateur radio bands for 10 days, or until the battery dies.

Subsequent iterations will be capable of much more.

For example, PhoneSat 2.0 will have a two-way S-band radio transponder which most satellites use to communicate with the ground and solar panels for extended life.

An overview of the entire NASA PhoneSat mission can be found at
tinyurl.com/phone-sat-project

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

New age for disaster preparedness

The well-equipped Permanent Commission of Contingencies has opened in San Pedro Sula, Honduras, Central-America.

Its weather radar covers Honduras, plus nearby Guatemala, El Salvador and Nicaragua. Also fitted are seismic measuring devices.

Porfirio Lobo Sosa, President of Honduras described it as a warehouse and office to help disaster mitigation.

The Commissioned Minister for the initiative, Lisandro Rosales, acknowledged the important role of radio amateurs in disasters when conventional communications fail.

The Emergency Coordinator of IARU Region 2, Cesar Pio Santos HR2P spoke widely about the role of amateur radio to many attending officials.

Cesar HR2P congratulated the attending Panamanian Government for giving its radio amateurs the roaming International Amateur Radio Permit, which can be of great help in disaster situations.

Earlier in November at San Marcos, Guatemala, a 7.4 scale earthquake hit claiming the lives of at least 52 people. The disaster was helped by amateur radio emergency communications.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications with Cesar Pio Santos HR2P EMCOR IARU R2)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR YOUNG TIMERS
A Youth Net meets Saturdays at 0100 UTC on IRLP Reflector #2.
Young Hams Net 3.590 - 7:30pm Victorian time.

Youngsters On The Air - 2013

IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders PA 2 LS reports on plans for next year's youth radio camp YOTA

A youth radio camp 'Youngsters On The Air' will be held in Estonia, organized by the Estonian Radio Amateurs Union. During this week teams of young radio amateurs from 10 different European countries will be participating in different activities: presentations, competitions, visiting radio stations, observatory, etc...

As two previous events in Romania and Belgium/Netherlands have shown, it will be a great experience for the young hams which they will never forget.

When: 5-12 August 2013

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO AMATEUR OLD-TIMERS
http://www.raotc.org.au

Hallo everyone, this is Clive VK6CSW with a reminder that tomorrow, Monday December 3rd the Radio Amateurs Old Timers Club of Australia's monthly news and information bulletin will be broadcast on a number of HF and VHF frequencies.

The principal HF transmissions will be on 20 metres on 14.150 MHz USB at 0100 UTC beamed north from Melbourne for Eastern states listeners, and again at 0200 beamed West for Western Australia.

Also at 0200 UTC, Barry VK6WF, will be transmitting the bulletin on 40 metres on 7060 kHz LSB for country listeners in WA and SA.

During tomorrow numerous local relays will also take place on various VHF and lower HF frequencies. To find a frequency and time for your area, please visit the RAOTC website at www.raotc.org.au

Everyone, RAOTC members and non-members alike, is invited to listen to this interesting half hour of Old Timer news, stories and anecdotes and to participate in the call backs afterwards.

Once again, the December RAOTC monthly bulletin is scheduled for tomorrow, Monday December 3rd, and we look forward to hearing from you during the call backs.

73 from Clive VK6CSW.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360, 24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

Last Sunday after the regular broadcast of WIA News, the Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group was fortunate to have Mr. John Parr, from the AJ2013 organising committee, present.

John was able to address the meeting and explain the diversity of activities which will be provided for the Scouts and also how the Special Event Station, VI4ASJ fits into the program.

Once the formal business was completed, deep and meaningful discussions on how the station and what equipment was required went on. Other areas such as how the transport to and from the Jamboree was being organised was talked over and mundane things such as floor coverings and sound absorbing dividers were sourced.

The Woocoo SES provides many support services to the greater Maryborough community and MERG would like to thank that organisation for its support to the Jamboree and amateur radio.

Once the paper licence is received, it will be photo copied and registration of services will go ahead. It is expected that EchoLink and IRLP will be available as well as ATV, on site.

So on that basis, I can say "I'll see you at the Jamboree."

Reporting for WIA National News, I'm Geoff, VK4ZPP, from Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group, Inc.

SOCIAL SCENE 2012

DEC 1 VK7 Miena Hamfest

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

MAR 24 VK7 "Meet the Voice" barbecue at Ross.

MAY 24-25 VK6 WIA AGM AND CONFERENCE IN PERTH

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Oct 3- 7 VK4 North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention Charters Towers

NOV 3 VK5 hamfest Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society 2 Goodwood.

NOV 15-17 VK3 Victorian National Parks Weekend

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your item write in the 3rd person.

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even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize
their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to
active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

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http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

2426. The ARRL Letter for November 29, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 22:10:21 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121129192616.C84E92697F@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1343
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news>.

==> + PUBLIC SERVICE: THE 14TH ANNUAL SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY SET FOR
DECEMBER 1

The 14th Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) Special Event will
take place Saturday, December 1, 2012. SRD is co-sponsored by the ARRL
and the National Weather Service (NWS) as a way to recognize the
commitment made by Amateur Radio operators in helping to keep their
communities safe. According to SRD Coordinator David Floyd, N5DBZ,
Amateur Radio operators can visit their local participating NWS office,
working as a team to contact other hams across the world throughout the
24-hour event on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 and 2 meters, as well as 70
centimeters. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/the-14th-annual-skywarn-recognition-day-set-for-dec
ember-1>.
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==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: MIKHAIL KORNIENKO, RN3BF, AND SCOTT KELLY TO SPEND ONE YEAR ON INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

Russian Cosmonaut Mikhail Kornienko, RN3BF, of the Russian Federal Space Agency and NASA Astronaut Scott Kelly have been selected for a one-year mission aboard the International Space Station in 2015. According to NASA, the mission will include collecting scientific data important to future human exploration of our solar system and to understand better how the human body reacts and adapts to the harsh environment of space as NASA plans for missions around the Moon, an asteroid and ultimately Mars. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/mikhail-kornienko-rn3bf-and-scott-kelly-to-spend-one-year-on-international-space-station>.

==> + ARRL'S LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD: BUG FIX IS IN PLACE

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, reports on a bug fix for Logbook of The World.

The fix for the Logbook of The World (LoTW <https://p1k.arrl.org/lotwuser/default>) bug was implemented at 2103 UTC on November 28. Full credit goes to ARRL Information Technology Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, for figuring out what was happening and how to correct it.

There are two ways of uploading logs: via the LoTW website and by e-mail. LoTW users should note that e-mailed logs were not affected by the bug, so no e-mailed logs will need to be resubmitted.

At the time the fix was implemented, LoTW processing was running almost exactly three days behind. If a user's most recent upload was made before 2100 UTC on November 25 and it has not yet been processed the file should be resubmitted. There should be no need to resubmit logs uploaded since 2100 UTC on November 25, which would include all CQWW CW DX Contest logs submitted after the end of the contest.

There is, however, a very slight chance that logs uploaded after this date might have been overwritten. If you find that your logs that were uploaded after November 25 are not appearing in your LoTW account, please wait until after December 3 to upload them again.

Thanks to everyone who has been patient while we grappled with this bug. The issue of slow processing speed is also being addressed, but it requires a hardware upgrade that will take several weeks to implement. Your continued patience and understanding will be appreciated.

==> + HAM RADIO IN HOLLYWOOD: MORSE CODE PLAYS ROLE IN NEW SPIELBERG MOVIE

Producer Steven Spielberg has used Amateur Radio or Morse code in three of his last four movies: Super 8 (2011), The Adventures of Tin Tin (2011) and Lincoln (2012). Members of the Morse Telegraph Club -- an association of retired railroad and commercial telegraphers, historians, radio amateurs and others with an interest in the history

and traditions of telegraphy and the telegraph industry -- played an integral part in the production of Lincoln.

"Nine of the 16 telegraph stations depicted in the War Department were fully operational," explained Morse Telegraph Club International President James Wade, WB8SIW. "These instruments could be operated in any combination through the use of a specialized computer program and custom-built terminal units for the process. When necessary, a hand key could be inserted in the individual telegraph loops so messages could be improvised." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/morse-code-plays-role-in-new-spielberg-movie>.

==> + ON THE AIR: THE ARRL 10 METER CONTEST: THE BAND IS HOT!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5xJjThOlic> Will it be possible to beat the 2011 running of the ARRL 10 Meter Contest? With more than 5300 logs received and worldwide openings last year, that may be a tall order. This past weekend during the CQ WW CW Contest, 10 meters was in great shape, despite a coronal mass ejection that hit on Friday evening. But according to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, one thing's for certain: There's going to be a ton of activity, as hams from all around the world look to work some DX on the band! Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/the-arrl-10-meter-contest-the-band-is-hot>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL UHF/MICROWAVE BAND PLAN COMMITTEE SEEKS INPUT 6 AND 3 CENTIMETER BANDS

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==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot number for the week was down nearly 38 percent to 78.9, compared to last week's average. The average daily solar flux dropped nearly 13 percent, to 121. The seven-day reporting period for these data ran from November 22-28. The predicted solar flux for the near term is 110 on November 29, 105 on November 30-December 1, 100 on December 2-4, 105 and 115 on

December 5-6, 130 on December 7-11, 135 on December 12-15, 140 on December 16-17, 135 on December 18-19, 130 on December 20-22, 120 on December 23-24, 115 on December 25, 110 on December 26-28, and rising again to 115 on December 29-30. The predicted planetary A index is 11, 15 and 8 on November 29-December 1, 5 on December 2-5, 10 on December 6-8, then 5 and 8 on December 9-10, 5 on December 11-15, 8 on December 16, and back down to 5 on December 17-31. The new year is expected to begin with slightly unsettled conditions, with a predicted planetary A index at 10 on January 1-4. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, November 30. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- November 30 -- NCCC Sprint
- November 30-December 2 -- ARRL 160 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/160-meter>
- December 1 -- TARA RTTY Melee; Wake-Up! QRP Sprint; TOPS Activity Contest
- December 1-2 -- ARRL EME Contest <http://www.arrl.org/eme-contest>
- December 2 -- 10 Meter RTTY Contest; SARL Digital Contest
- December 4 -- ARS Spartan Sprint

Next week:

- December 7 -- NCCC Sprint
- December 8-9 -- ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>; International Naval Contest
- December 9 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run
- December 12 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- December 12-13 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- December 1-2 -- ARRL West Central Florida Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-central-florida-section-convention-tampa-bay-hamfest-2>,
Palmetto, Florida
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-1>,

Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

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2427. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 22:18:13 UTC
From: gareth <no.spam@thank.you.invalid>
Message-ID: <k98mv6ave1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1344
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Fred Roberts" <foo@bar.com> wrote in message
news:UuJts.526105$Bz2.476960@fx11.am4...
> I and others have consistently highlighted this cheating only to have the
> claims consistently rubbished by an Class B/M3 twat with a vested interest
> in the scheme.
>

If a significant player has known about fraudulent examinations, but has
turned
a blind eye to it, then he is guilty of criminal conspiracy and it is a plod
matter.

(Also tonight, a posting in Realops highlights that such cheating had taken
place in Kent,
and the matter was raised with and investigated by a now-defrocked bishop,
and again the matter was swept under the carpet)

2428. eHam.net News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-29 23:10:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04428a1679736904cfaa64e6@google.com>
Source record: 1345
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 06:35 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29430

This Week in Radiosport:

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The 14th Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day Set for December 1:

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 06:35 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29429

The 14th Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) Special Event will take place Saturday, December 1, 2012. SRD is co-sponsored by the ARRL and the National Weather Service (NWS) as a way to recognize the commitment made by Amateur Radio operators in helping to keep their communities safe.

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Mikhail Kornienko, RN3BF and Scott Kelly to Spend One Year on ISS:

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 06:34 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29428

Russian Cosmonaut Mikhail Kornienko, RN3BF, of the Russian Federal Space Agency and NASA Astronaut Scott Kelly have been selected for a one-year mission aboard the International Space Station in 2015. According to NASA, the mission will include collecting scientific data important to future human exploration of our solar system and to understand better how the human body reacts and adapts to the harsh environment of space as NASA plans for missions around the Moon, an asteroid and ultimately Mars.

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ARRL's Logbook of The World: Bug Fix is in Place:

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 06:32 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29427

The fix for the Logbook of The World (LoTW) bug was implemented at 2103 UTC on November 28. Full credit goes to ARRL Information Technology Manager Michael Keane, K1MK, for figuring out what was happening and how to correct it.

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Morse Code Plays Role in New Spielberg Movie:

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 06:33 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29426

Producer Steven Spielberg has used Amateur Radio or Morse code in three of his last four movies: Super 8 (2011), The Adventures of Tin Tin (2011) and Lincoln (2012). Members of the Morse Telegraph Club -- an association of retired railroad and commercial telegraphers, historians, radio amateurs and others with an interest in the history and traditions of telegraphy and the telegraph industry -- played an integral part in the production of Lincoln.

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The ARRL 10 Meter Contest: The Band is Hot!

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 06:32 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29425

Will it be possible to beat the 2011 running of the ARRL 10 Meter Contest? With more than 5300 logs received and worldwide openings last year, that may be a tall order. This past weekend during the CQ WW CW Contest, 10 meters was in great shape, despite a coronal mass ejection that hit on Friday evening. But according to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, one thing's for certain: There's going to be a ton of activity, as hams from all around the world look to work some DX on the band!

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ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee Seeks Input 6 and 3 Centimeter Bands

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 06:31 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29424

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2429. HOT SEXY MASALA VIDEOS AND LOVELY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 01:38:21 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <bebab99c-67af-43cd-854b-e7e4ad0692ef@g7g2000pbi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1346

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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datawarehousing jobs
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2430. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 03:25:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340e25666f8f04cfadf34b@google.com>
Source record: 1347
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Singing the praises of unsung heroes - Urgent Communications (blog)

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 03:13 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGHySgXMV57PlkeOgcMJxjRL6_KXQ&url=http://urgentcomm.com/blog/singing-praises-unsung-heroes

Singing the praises of unsung heroes
Urgent Communications (blog)
A few members started to build ham radios just for kicks, and this led to the formation of an amateur radio club, Sumner said. He further predicted that more of these DIY clubs likely will be spawned as the reurbanization of America continues ...
New Hams earn Amateur Radio LicensesThe Delta Discovery

all 2 news articles

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Bulletin board: Nov. 30, 2012 - Charleston Gazette

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 12:41 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEUstZ_GZDx4T_txL-k4xq7Y7x0Ww&url=http://wvgazette.com/News/201211290105

Bulletin board: Nov. 30, 2012
Charleston Gazette
Tri-State Amateur Radio Association (TARA): will offer examinations for people who wish to be granted a new or upgraded Amateur Radio "Ham" License from the Federal Communications Commission at 9 a.m. Dec. 8 at the Museum of Radio and Technology ...

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Statement about Radio Amateurs' Advanced Examination in Northern Ireland - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 12:05 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEQuUZ7fAXMCu-8KWaFPIavd6MbMg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/statement_about_advanced_examination_in_northern_ireland.htm

Statement about Radio Amateurs Advanced Examination in Northern Ireland
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
“The RCF has been notified of the outcome of the review by Ofcom of the Foundations decision to disallow an Amateur Radio examination held in

Northern Ireland. The Ofcom findings were that: 1. Ofcom supports the decision of the RCF to not issue pass ...

2431. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 30 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 07:43:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301af6cbe1034204cfb18c96@google.com>
Source record: 1348
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Club Swap...Michigan

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 05:36 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370132-L-Anse-Creuse-Amateur-Radio-Club-Swap-Michigan&goto=newpost

Please check out our web page for information on our Swap this weekend,
December 2, 2012.

http://www.qsl.net/n8lc/swap.htm

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1/19/2013 Northern Colorado Amateur Radio Cub Presents: WINTER HAMFEST 2013

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 10:01 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370115-1-19-2013-Northern-Colorado-Amateur-Radio-Cub-Presents-WINTER-HAMFEST-2013&goto=newpost

The Northern Colorado Amateur Radio Club (NCARC) Proudly Presents:

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Saturday, January 19, 2013

Loveland, CO

Larimer County Fairgrounds - First National Bank Building

Exit 259 on I-25

8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Contact information: Jerry Reynolds E-mail or (720) 340-4966

Click here for more information

or visit http://ncarc.net

2432. NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 263

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 08:18:48 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <A8E972748D664EE1B75FB74A0AF0E602@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 1349
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 263

30 November 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

· From the desk of HQ

· FMTAG Notes

· VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF Contest News

· ZL9HR Update

Debby Says…I am a little concerned at the number of deposits I have received in the bank account with no call sign nor membership number as a reference.

If you have recently paid your subscription by internet banking, can you please check the date it was paid and if you included a reference so that I can credit the correct membership. This ONLY applies to direct credit payments, not cheque or credit card.

The same applies to a number of new members who have taken up the special promo price to join the Association. If you know of someone who has not heard from me, but has paid into our bank account, please ask them to forward me their application as soon as possible. Without it I cannot include their name in the prize draw.

The final issue of HQ Info-line will be sent out on Friday 14th December. If you have anything you wish to include please send to me before Thursday 13th.

Talk soon…Debby ZL2DL

FMTAG NOTES FOR HQ INFOLINE

Proposals – none at this time

Final Recommendations to NZART Council

Published in HQ Info-Line 261 and 262 for the information of, and seeking comments from, members.

Branch 69 Kapiti has applied to change the frequency of its 144.650 MHz Digipeater at Mount Field, located at TOPO50 BP32 775757. The proposed transmit and receive frequency is 144.575 MHz, in accordance with the band plan.

Comments and Applications

Please send your comments and suggestions on the above, and on any other FMTAG matters, by e-mail to: fmtag@nzart.org.nz

Applications for repeaters, beacons, digipeaters, point-to-point links, and so on, should be made on the latest version of FMTAG Form 10. The latest versions of FMTAG Form 10, and the explanatory Form 10A, are available on the NZART website:

http://www.nzart.org.nz/fmtag/index.html

Completed forms should be sent by e-mail to fmtag@nzart.org.nz

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST NEWS

THE NEXT CONTEST IS TOMORROW and SUNDAY

The next contest is the Field Day Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, tomorrow, Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of December 2012. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The contest after that is the DX Weekend Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of February 2013. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZDST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZDST.

The Contest Rules are available at:

www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:

zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

Or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

One of the most important DX'peditions of the year is about to

Before sailing, Tommy (VK2IR) was able to fit in short interview with the New Zealand national radio station, to talk about the ZL9HR DX'Pedition to Campbell Island and Amateur Radio in general.

Please see
http://www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/morningreport/audio/2539655/radio-operators-sail-for-campbell-island
for a copy of the audio file playable in your browser or downloadable.
(MP3 version attached to this email for the audio podcast recipients).start.

The ZL9HR DX'Pedition ship is still sheltering from storms at Stewart Island off the south of New Zealand this evening (Wednesday 28th November) but will be leaving tomorrow morning and they hope to reach Campbell Island on Saturday morning.

Thanks, this is Ed VK2JI Australian Publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 Dec 2012.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy. All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Dec 2012 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail: zl3qr@nzart.org.nz or zl3ov@nzart.org.nz
5.. The ARRL and WIA Weekly News
6.. Subscribe TO/FROM Infoline
Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 23rd December. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 14th December 2012. Closing date for this is Thursday 13th December 2012.

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2433. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1842 - November 30 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 10:00:14 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121130100003.E254A33C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1350
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1842 - November 30 2012

Attention bulletin stations. Please note that this is an extended Amateur Radio Newsline report and contains three breaks. Thank you.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1842 with a release date of November 30, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC issues a rule making proposal aimed at implementing the 2007 World Radiocommunications Accords; the NTSB says it wants to end all kinds of distracted driving; South Africa's ham radio community is told it will have to re-apply for their licenses and the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference is called a major success. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1842 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: FCC PROPOSES IMPLEMENTING 2007 WRC ACCORDS

The FCC has issued ET Docket 12-338 that if passed as written is pretty good news for ham radio. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with the details:

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ET Docket 12-338 released on Tuesday, November 20th proposes modify the rules governing a number of communications services for amateur radio which falls under Part 97 of its rules, the proposed changes are quite positive.

Starting at the low end of the electromagnetic spectrum and working our way up, Docket 12-338 proposes the creation of a permanent albeit shared allocation from 135.7-137.8 kHz with a power output of 1 watt effective radiated power to an isotropic radiator. To those who have never heard the term isotropic radiator, this is a theoretical point source of electromagnetic waves that emits the same intensity of radiation in all directions. Translated into everyday language it really means hams will only be able to transmit a few hundred milliwatts of power if that.

Now going up a few hundred kilohertz to the 160 mter band. That where Docket 12-338 proposes to change the Amateur Radio Service allocation to make 1800 through 2000 kHz a primary amateur service allocation.

By way of background, historically, the 1715 to 2000 kHz band was allocated exclusively to the Amateur Service. In 1953, the FCC removed the 1715 to 1800 kHz segment from the Amateur Radio Service and allocated the 1800 to 2000 kHz band to the Amateur Service on a shared basis with the Radionavigation Service. Then in 1983, the FCC allocated the 1800 to 1900 kHz band to the Amateur Service on an exclusive basis and the 1900 to 2000 kHz band to the Radiolocation Service on a primary basis and to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis.

Lastly, in the WRC-07 Table Clean-Up Order, the FCC combined the 10 to 10.45 GHz and 10.45 to 10.5 GHz bands in the Federal Table of Allocations. In doing so, the frequency band was inadvertently not changed to 10 to 10.5 GHz. To fix this the FCC will revise the text of three footnotes that pertain to this spectrum by adding the existing Amateur-Satellite Service allocation to the list of permitted non-federal services. It will also order that non-federal stations in the Radiolocation Service not cause harmful interference to the Amateur Service in the 10 to 10.5 GHz band.

As we said, its pretty good news for ham radio here in the USA.

>From the studio in Los Angeles, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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If approved as written, these changes will implement allocation decisions from the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference that concern those portions of the radio frequency spectrum between 108 MHz and 20.2 GHz by making specific updates to the rules in this frequency range. You can download the full text of ET Docket 12-338 at as a Word document at tinyurl.com/proposed-wrc-changes (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: NTSB VS CEA ON DISTRACTED DRIVING AND DISTRACTED TRANSIT

The National Transportation Safety Board wants to eliminate all driver distraction and is broadening its focus on the use of portable electronic devices in all types of vehicles. The issue is part of the NTSB's recently released "2013 Most Wanted List." Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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While acknowledging that distracted driving didn't begin when people began making calls or texting in the car, the National Transportation Safety Board still says that portable electronic devices that do not directly support the task at hand have no place in any vehicles. This includes automobiles planes, trains, and just about any other vessel you might be able to think of. As such it argues that states and regulators can set the proper tone by banning the nonessential use of such devices in all areas of transportation.

The NTSB says that young drivers are more likely to use portable electronic devices while behind the wheel and therefore are especially at risk. It urges that laws, education, and enforcement efforts should place special emphasis on curbing the use of portable electronic devices by these younger drivers.

The NTSB goes on to say that companies should develop and vigorously enforce policies to eliminate distractions. It also says that manufacturers can assist by developing technology that disables these devices when in reach of operators.

But the NTSB has some strong opposition from the Consumer Electronics Association or CEA. That organization says that while it applauds the effort, it also notes that the NTSB misses the mark on the use of portable electronics in vehicles. It says that calling for an abstinence only approach, the NTSB ignores established realities of human behavior. It also claims that in-vehicle technology when used correctly can make for vastly safer roadways.

The CEA says that rather than calling for broad regulations or outright bans, policymakers should encourage the use of the many innovative driver safety technologies coming on to the marketplace. The CEA notes that it has already forwarded the NTSB a list of third-party applications that promote safe use of portable technologies in the automobile.

How any of this might affect mobile or even hand held pedestrian portable operations in the future by ham radio operators and other users of two-way radio is at this time unknown. But the NTSB stand seems to be that any and all forms of distraction must be removed from the public's hands while in transit. And that's not likely to sit well with the public at large.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP. In Scottsdale, Arizona.

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It should be noted that the National Transportation Safety Board is an independent body that has no authority to enact transportation policy, nor to force the federal government to make transportation policy changes. However it makes recommendations to governments, industry and the public and uses its "Most Wanted" list as a way to highlight changes that it is advocating. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: ALL RADIO SOUTH AFRICAN AMATEURS WILL HAVE TO REAPPLY FOR THEIR LICENSES

All South African radio amateurs are going to have to reapply for their licenses. This is according to the South African Radio League which says its liaison committee met with that nation's telecommunications regulatory body Independent Communications Authority of South Africa.

At that meeting the national society learned that following an audit by the Auditor General, that the communications regulator has been instructed to implement regulation 15 of the nations Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations. This is a law that stipulates that an amateur radio license can only be renewed for up to five years after which a new application has to be submitted. Because of this, all South Africa licensed radio amateurs will be required to re-apply for a license for the period of April 1st 2013 through March 31st 2018.

The South Africa Radio League says that the details as to how this will be accomplished are expected to be made public in the next few weeks. Until that time, South African hams should do nothing. As soon as information is made available the South Africa Radio League announce it via its news bulletin service system and make forms available on its website at www.sarl.org.za. (SARL, ICASA)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including WMRP FM on 104.7 MHz serving Flint Michigan.

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RESCUE RADIO: GAREC 2012 DEEMED A MAJOR SUCCESS

The 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference also known as GAREC 2012 was held recently in Port Dickson, Malaysia. We have an updated report on what transpired at that gathering from WIA Newsman Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

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Attending the conference on November 12 to 14 were delegates from nine countries under this year's theme of 'One world, One commitment'.

Among the presentations was one on the Mobile Emergency Weather System which assists authorities using simple equipment and training.

There were status reports from various countries and these highlighted the differences and similarities in approach to emergency planning. While solutions may not be easy to find, sharing the problems and allowing individual countries to recognize that they were not alone, provides valuable support to the Global community.

GAREC-2012 included two practical activities. These enhanced inter-personal relationships enabling delegates to work together more efficiently in future.

Future conferences may seek to involve partners in emergency response, such as the International Federation of the Red Cross and the ITU, in accord with the existing Memoranda of Understanding.

The delegates thanked the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society in hosting this successful conference.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline. I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of the WIA News in Australia.

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The next GAREC is in Zurich, Switzerland on June 25 to 27, 2013. All groups and organizations involved in Amateur Radio Emergency Communications are invited to attend to share their knowledge and learn from others. (WIA News)

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RESCUE RADIO: DISASTER READINESS FAIR IN CALIFORNIA HIGHLIGHTS CERT AND HAM RADIO

In the wake of Hurricane Sandy, a disaster-readiness fair that highlighted solar oven cooking, water storage, 72-hour emergency kits and amateur radio communication demonstrations has been held in Temecula, California. The event, hosted by the Temecula Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, took place on Saturday, November 10th.

At the event dozens of tables with information and demonstrations on topics pertinent to emergency preparedness were set up in and around the church facility. There were also two presentations on food storage and earthquake preparedness was given by specialists in those areas.

Gordon Neuls, N6ELS, manned a booth promoting amateur radio certification. Members of the Temecula Citizen Corps were on hand to raise awareness of the need to be ready for natural disasters and to promote the Community Emergency Response Team operations. It was noted that in the case of a disaster where normal lines of communication are interrupted, amateur radio can be used to relay information, as well as to send for help and other assistance.

According to the Temecula Press Enterprise, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has long been an advocate of emergency preparedness. It noted that the church leadership encourages each of its members to have a year's supply of food and emergency items, be self-reliant and free of debt. (Temecula Press Enterprise)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO RESPONDERS THANKED FOR THEIR HELP IN GUATEMALA QUAKE

Amateur radio operators who were among the first responders following an Earthquake that hit Guatemala have been thanked for their efforts. WIA Newsman Robert Broomhead, VK3DN has the details:

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The rescue and relief work in San Marcos, Guatemala, a mountainous region bordering Mexico that was hit by a 7.4 scale earthquake claiming the lives of at least 52 people earlier this month, was aided by emergency communications provided by radio amateurs.

International Amateur Radio Union Region 2 Emergency Communication Coordinator, Cesar Pio Santos HR2P said he was very proud of the work done during and after the earthquake on November 8, despite the difficult times.

Cesar HR2P thanked the members of the Club de Radioficionados de Guatemala for their outstanding efforts. He was responding to a report from Marco Aurelio TG 8 AMP, who was in charge of the emergency network. About 10,000 houses have been affected by the earthquake with authorities setting up 11 rescue centers for the homeless.

This has been VK3DN, reporting from Melborne.

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According to news reports, this was the worst quake to hit Guatemala since 1976. Thats when a 7.5 magnitude temblor caused the deaths of about 23,000 people in one of the worst natural disasters of the time. (VK3PC, HR2P, WIA News)

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RADIO LAW: HAM RADIO TOWER AMENDMENT TO ZONING IN RIDGECREST CA

The Planning Commission in Ridgecrest California was to hold a public hearing November 27th to recommend the City Council amend a city zoning ordinance that would help hams in that city erect antennas. The amendment request, should it be approved by the city council at a later date, could permit amateur ham radio antennas in excess of 35 feet to be erected subject to a ham obtaining a Conditional Use permit.

The agenda relates directly to a previous request by Ridgecrest resident Steven Rainey, N6MVX, to put up a 55-foot tower on his property back in September. Rainey could not receive a conditional use permit for the proposed tower following a public hearing. This is because the Planning Commission does not have the authority to grant such permits under the current municipal code.

According to a city staff report, the amendment request, should it be approved by the city council at a later date, could permit amateur radio antennas and windmill towers in excess of 35 feet to be erected subject to a Conditional Use permit. City Planner Matthew Alexander is quoted as saying ham radio operators represented a strong asset to the city in case of emergencies.

More is on-line at tinyurl.com/ridgecrest-antenna. (Ridgecrestca.com)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: COMMEMORATE NOAA - SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY

NOAA - SKYWARN Recognition Day is December 1st from 0000 to 2400 hours UTC and everyone is invited to take part.

NOAA - SKYWARN Recognition Day was developed in 1999 by the National Weather Service and the American Radio Relay League. Its purpose is to celebrate the contributions that volunteer SKYWARN radio operators make to the National Weather Service

As we go to air some 70 NWS ham radio operations are registered for the 24 hour operating event. These stations are expected to be operational on the High Frequency bands plus 6, 2 and 70 centimeters along with Echolink as well as IRLP.

For more informational please visit the official NOAA -SKYWARN Recognition Day website at tinyurl.com/skywarn-nws- day. (PAPA, NWS)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HANDIHAM 2013 RADIO CAMP ANNOUNCED

The Handihams have make known that their 2013 Radio Camp is tentatively scheduled for the Woodland campus of Camp Courage in late July and early August. The tentative dates are July 28th through August 2nd making travel days for the campout Sunday and Friday. No pricing has been announced. (Handihams)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: COURAGE CENTER CAMPS PARTNER WITH FRIENDSHIP VENTURES

The Handihams have also announced that Courage Center Camps and Friendship Ventures have entered a joint partnership. This to create a new camp organization to serve people with disabilities.

The new organization founded on November 19th will be called Camps of Courage and Friendship. At least that will be its title until a formal name study is completed in 2013.

Campers, volunteers and staff will see traditional programs continue in 2013. However, behind the scenes, new methods and approaches will be developed to incorporate the strengths of both organizations. More about this new joint venture is on-line at www.campscouragefriendship.org. (Handihams)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: TOWER WORK WEBINAR DECEMBER 12

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation will be presenting a webinar on towers and how to work safely on and around one on.

Titled "Tower Work --Tips, Techniques, and Tools," this presentation taught by John Crovelli, W2GD, and Don Daso, K4ZA. During the session the two will outline things that they have learned from almost 100 years of combined experience, focusing on safety, cost savings, and of coarse problem solving.

The hour long webinar will begin at 9 PM Eastern Standard Time on Wednesday, December 12th which equates to Thursday, December 13th at 02:00 UTC. Registration is free to hams world-wide at tinyurl.com/tower-webinar-registration. (K4ZW, QRZ.com)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ELLEN OCHOA, KB5TZZ, NAMED DIRECTOR OF JSC

Some names in the news. A ham radio operator will soon be heading up the Lyndon B. Johnson Spaceflight Center in Houston, Texas. This as NASA Administrator Charles Bolden announces that Astronaut Ellen Ochoa, KB5TZZ, as the next Director of the historic space development facility.

Ochoa was the first Hispanic woman to go into space. Since September 2007 she has served as Johnson Spaceflight Center Deputy Director. Prior to that position she worked as Deputy Director of Flight Crew Operations at JSC and in September of 2006 became Director of Flight Crew Operations.

Ellen Ochowa will be facility's 11th Director. She will also be its first Hispanic, first radio amateur and the second female to serve in that position. KB5TZZ will take over the reins at JSC from Michael Coats when he retires at the end of the year. (NASA, Southgate)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KOLD OWNER TURNS 90

The founder of the world's most remote radio station, Radio KOLD in Antarctica has turned 90. Steve Grimsley, VK2ZP, set up Radio KOLD at Wilkes Base in 1961, and the station is still broadcasting. Family, friends and former colleagues gathered in the Australian town of Binalong to celebrate VK2ZP's birthday. (WIA News)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3XT ELECTED ONTARIO NORTH/EAST RAC DIRECTOR

Congratulations are extended to Bill Unger, VE3XT who was recently selected as the Radio Amateurs of Canada Director for Ontario North East. Unger ran unopposed, eliminating the need for a balloted election. VE3XT has been an amateur operator since 1970 and has been involved in many aspects of the hobby. His term as Director will be for two years starting January 1, 2013 and ending on December 31, 2014. (RAC)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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WORLDBEAT: MEXICO ZETA DRUG GANG BLAMED FOR KIDNAPPING ENGINEERS

If you are an Information Technology or two-way radio technician and planning a trip to Mexico, you might not carry an H-T on a belt clip where it can be seen. This is because at least one drug gang seems to be kidnapping and enslaving those who know two-way radio to build and keep their private system going. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, takes a look at the situation south of the border:

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According to a report from Mexican news site Animal Politico, at least three dozen engineers and technicians have been kidnapped in the past four years. And Felipe Gonzalez who is the head of Mexico's Senate Security Committee told Animal Politico that none of the engineers who disappeared have ever been found.

Mexican authorities blame the notorious drug running gang the Zeta's for the kidnappings. The Mexican military is trying to dismantle an extensive radio network built and operated by the drug cartel but to date authorities have not had much luck shutting it down. Not only is much of the equipment super-easy to replace, but the drug runners have apparently found some unwilling assistance by kidnapping and enslaving technicians to help build it. Among them is at least one IBM employee and several communications technicians from a firm owned by Mexico's largest construction company.

Last year the Mexican military found and dismantled one such drug runners radio network spread across northeastern Mexico that included 167 radio antennas sites. As recently as this past September, Mexican marines found a 295-foot-high transmission tower in Veracruz State.

The bottom line: It seems the drug gangs have discovered that two-way radio is a tool that they will not be without but the Mexican government is doing all it can to take these clandestine operations off the air.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, near Zion, Illinois.

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One of the best stories in the English language that explains in depth the safety issue to engineers and technicians in Mexico is on the World Disaster Report website. Its on-line at tinyurl.com/enslaved-technicians. (Animal Politico, Whatspoppin.net, World Disaster Report, other news sources)

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WORLDBEAT DIGITAL RADIO FAILS IN HONG KONG

As of this past October 10th, Hong Kong's new Digital Broadcasting Corporation is off the air. This after only one month of operation. The stated reason is that they simply have run out of money to continue operations.

According to the South China Morning Post, the station's co-founder Albert Cheng King Hon wanted the government to intervene between the shareholders, but Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development turned down the request for mediation.

Digital Broadcasting Corporation's financial woes have meant that the staff was not paid for the month of October, or offered severance. Nonetheless, at least one talk show host indicated that he would like to continue broadcasting without pay, but some doubted the practicality of this goodwill gesture.

Disagreements over what to do with the company's assets extend to questions over whether or not these should be liquidated to pay employees or allow the board members to buy back shares at a discounted rate. Digital Broadcasting Corporation license required it to formally launch its service by September 21st, 2012, and also to provide seven 24-hour programming channels. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: BCDX NET CELEBRATES ITS 24th ANNIVERSARY

The weekly 40 meter BCDX Net from South India celebrated its 24th anniversary on Sunday, November 25th. This Net began operation on Sunday, November 27, 1988 by a small group of radio amateurs that included 4S7VK, VU2FOT, VU2JOS along with some very interested shortwave listeners.

The BCDX Net is now held on Sunday morning's at 03:00 UTC on 7 dot 085 MHz Lower Sideband for the advantage of those who are keenly interested in Broadcast Band DXing. According to its operators, the unique thing about this net is that is helped hams to become SWL DX'ers and SWL's to get their amateur licenses. The current net control station is VU3SIO and assisted from time to time by VU3BGK and VU2JOS. (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: MARITIME AMATEUR WEBSITE SERVING HAMS UP NORTH

The Maritime Amateur website was launched back in March 2008 with the purpose of sharing information among radio amateurs in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island of Canada. Now in its fifth year, there has been over 43 thousand hits and has a membership of over 110 ham radio operators.

>From the homepage, there are links to local, national and international news, CANWARN, maritime nets and numerous others sits of interest to hams that spend time on the water or who just want to be of service to their communities. You can check it out at www (dot) maritimeamateur (dot) ca. For more information please contact Jim Langille by e-mail to

ve1jbl@eastlink.ca (VE1JBL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FOX-1 CUBESAT UPDATED DESIGN PUBLISHED

The design of the Fox-1A has been updated. During the 2012 Symposium AMSAT Vice-President Engineering, Tony Monteiro, AA2TX and the Fox Engineering team presented the latest status on the design, development, and construction of the Fox-1A satellite project. Fox-1A is is a one unit size cubesat which will carry an FM repeater transponder to replace the ageing AO-51. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: 2012 AMSAT SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS AVAILABLE IN THE AMSAT STORE

The Proceedings of the AMSAT-NA 30th Symposium and AMSAT-NA Annual Meeting, held October 26th to the 28th in Orlando, Florida have been put up for sale at the on-line AMSAT Store. The proceedings contain over 30 articles on subjects ranging from current satellite operations to updates on the Fox Project. For information on pricing and shipping or to oplace an order please visit store.amsat.org/catalog on the World Wide Web. (ANS)

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ON THE AIR: SPECIAL EVENT STATION TM1TARA

On the air, keep an ear open for special event station TM1TARA to be on air between December 8th to the 10th. This to commemorate the scientific voyages of French polar vessel the Tara.

Tara Expeditions has been organizing missions aboard this research schooner for the past 9 years. The goal is to learn more about the impact of climate change on the planets ecosystems. So far Tara has accomplished eight successful expeditions including voyages to Greenland, Antarctica, Patagonia, southern Georgia, and the Arctic. Its latest voyage was described as world-wide known as Tara Oceans.

For this special celebration operations will be conducted by F8DVD and F8IJV from Paris, France during the Tara exhibit. Look for them on 20 through 10 meters on SSB. A special color QSL card will be printed and

will be sent via the Bureau or direct. QSL with a self addressed envelope and 2 IRC's - if you can still get them -- to F8DVD. (Southgate)

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DX

In DX, CT1FTR is currently on the air from the Sudan as ST2FT. He is active on High Frequency bands using SSB and PSK31. If you make contact QSL via CT2GBU or electronically using eQSL. OH0XX is currently active from Contadora Island in the Archipelago Perlas as HP1XX. Bands and modes are not known but if you work him please QSL via home call.

K4UUK plans to operate from Belize May 4th to the 18th 2013 as V31RD. He will be active on 80 through 6 meters on SSB. QSL via K4UUK.

GM3YTS , GM4FDM , GM0GAV , GM3POI will be active from Tuvalu Island from March 12th to the 23rd 2013 as T2GM. They will be operational on all of the High Frequency bands with an emphasis on contacts with Europe. QSL via GM4FDM

AA4NC will be operational from Montserrat February 12th to the 20th of 2013 as VP2ME. He he also plans to be active in ARRL DX CW Contest. QSL this station electronically using Logbook of the World.

Four British hams plan to be active from Easter Island February 13th to the 21st as XR0YG. They will be operational on High Frequency bands only. An actual guide to their operating hours and QSL routes is expected to be announced shortly.

Lastly, a team of operators from Germany will be on the air from Samoa next April 4th to the 18th as 5W0M. They will be operational using various modes on 80 through 6 meter plus and 2m E-M-E. QSL the main operation to DL4SVA direct, via the bureau or OQRS. For EME QSO's send cards via DL9MS. (Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HURRICANE SANDY - EVERYTHING OLD WAS NEW AGAIN

And finally this week you might want to say that everything old is new again. This after Professor Darren Hayes of Pace University's Seidenberg School of Computer Science and Information Systems reports on the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. According to Professor Hays, it appears that older technology played a vital role to assist the public after this disaster. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW has the details:

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In an article in the news blog The Hill, Professor Darren Hays notes that the Verizon network suffered widespread outages and with no electricity, telecommunications were problematic. The old corded

telephones were plugged in by those who still had them and there were lines for payphones. For those of you to young to remember these are coin operated telephones that in many places are nothing more than a distant memory.

Professor Hays also had some nice words for the amateur radio community. He says that others resorted to using ham radio to communicate, which was found to be very effective. Hays pointed to ham radio networks like ARES and RACES which are dedicated to communications outages. Hays who holds the call KI6UEI noted that a battery-powered radio was at one point his only connection to the outside world during the storm.

Hays article notes that as the recovery in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy continues, questions are being raised about our nation's preparedness for emergencies. On Friday, November 9th it was reported that two Congressmen, U.S. Representatives Peter King and Steve Israel, were requesting that the military assume control of Long Island Power Authority. This in an effort to restore electricity to more than 150,000 homes and businesses which at that point still without mains power.

Back in 2006 the newspaper Newsday reported that the Long Island Power Authority was warned that its critical infrastructure could not handle a major storm. One of the issues noted was that the utility was utilizing a 25-year old mainframe computer system that could not track power outages or other critical functions like monitoring for rotting utility poles.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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You can read the entire article by Professor Hays on-line at tinyurl.com/old-worked-best (The Hill)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org.

A reminder to those of you who still receive these newscasts over our 661-296-2407 dial in telephone line rater than downloading the MP3 file from our website or from the RSS feed. We are still giving consideration to discontinuing telephone feed service as a cost cutting

measure. But before we do, we want to know how many people are actually using it.

If you are one of those who call in each week on the phone and have not already done so, please send us a note telling us who you are and the reason you are using telephone access rather than simply downloading the newscast from the Internet.

Our address is the Amateur Radio Newsline, 28197 Robin Avenue, Saugus California, 91350. Or, as we said, you can e-mail us at newsline (at) arnewsline (dot) org. We look forward to hearing from you.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, in Southern Mississippi saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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2434. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 10:29:51 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9a1quhbi1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1351
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

>. Has anyone stolen somthing from
>you?
>So why does it bother you?.
>Puzzled
>Dont like to see you so upset

yes transceivers have been stolen from me.......and white paint has been
poured over my car while parked in the driveway......hammy mens twuns have
had three attempts at trying to get me to lose my job....is that enough?
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2435. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 10:59:54 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9a3j4$q4r$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1352
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

>.......and white paint has been
> poured over my car while parked in the driveway

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2436. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 30 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 11:46:05 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <0016368e252a5b323d04cfb4f128@google.com>
Source record: 1353
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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Advanced Radio Amateur's Examination at Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club

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Herbie Graham was the first invigilator at an Advanced Examination held in
May 2012 in which the two participating candidates had their exam passes
disallowed. He has issued this statement on the matter

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High Altitude Balloon Tracking

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On Saturday the 1st of December, subject to weather conditions, Anthony
Stirk M0UPU, Dave Akerman and Neil Barnes along with Lester Haines from the
online technology news website The Register will be launching a number of
70cms RTTY based telemetry trackers under a meteorological balloon

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November RSGB Board proceedings released

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The RSGB has released the board proceedings for November 16-17, they say
the beta version of the RSGB website should be available on December 10

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Prestigious Arkwright engineering scholarships awarded

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The RCF reports that Foundation licensee Daniel Saul was presented with the
RCF scholar sponsorship certificate by RCF Trustee Barry Maxwell

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ACMA warning about non-compliant goods

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The Australian Consumer and Media Authority is looking for devices that pose a high a high risk to the orderly use of the radio spectrum and public safety

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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DIY 6 GHz comb generator

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iCdg50em9L0/diy_6_ghz_comb_generator.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The publication Test and Measurement World recently mentioned the 2.4 GHz Signal Source Kits developed by radio amateur and AMSAT-UK member David Bowman G0MRF

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

2437. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 13:07:10 UTC
From: Real Radio Ham Operator <listener.cs@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <f67d4662-3e2c-4864-a0cf-1945a9e96b0b@e25g2000vbm.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1354
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Nov 30, 10:59 am, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
wrote:
> >.......and white paint has been
> > poured over my car while parked in the driveway
>
> http://www.photobox.co.uk/my/photo?album_id=941080955&photo_id=738666...

sad to see that, suspects please, and where they hams.

2438. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 13:08:17 UTC
From: Real Radio Ham Operator <listener.cs@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <d00bd9d8-9854-4512-912d-fb47531962a1@c14g2000vbd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1355
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Nov 30, 10:29 am, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
wrote:
> >. Has anyone stolen somthing from
> >you?
> >So why does it bother you?.
> >Puzzled
> >Dont like to see you so upset
>
> yes transceivers have been stolen from me.......and white paint has been
> poured over my car while parked in the driveway......hammy mens twuns have
> had three attempts at trying to get me to lose my job....is that enough?
> ......

who nicked your tranceivers? and where they hams?

2439. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 13:12:31 UTC
From: Real Radio Ham Operator <listener.cs@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <1fed6a06-d37c-4525-b7c6-8a32a6e7ab83@s14g2000vba.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1356
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Nov 30, 10:29 am, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
wrote:
hammy mens twuns have
> had three attempts at trying to get me to lose my job....is that enough?
> ......

but they are just a cancer in radio, have you listened to them on
dm. its still the same shit from when i came back on the radio,
everythings repeats. chucky arla.

2440. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 30 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 16:20:04 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9ambc$6s9$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1357
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dqVT4-MBaLQ/advanced_examination_at_lough_erne_amateur_radio_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
>
> Herbie Graham was the first invigilator at an Advanced Examination held in
> May 2012 in which the two participating candidates had their exam passes
> disallowed. He has issued this statement on the matter
>

bummer tee hee...get over it ....tee hee

2441. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 16:35:01 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9an7ccrj1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1358
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Real Radio Ham Operator" <listener.cs@googlemail.com> wrote in message
news:f67d4662-3e2c-4864-a0cf-1945a9e96b0b@e25g2000vbm.googlegroups.com...
On Nov 30, 10:59 am, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
wrote:
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> > poured over my car while parked in the driveway
>
> http://www.photobox.co.uk/my/photo?album_id=941080955&photo_id=738666...

>sad to see that, suspects please, and where they hams.

hammy twuns pals or relatives ask JBN ......

2442. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 16:36:21 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9an9qdcr1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1359
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Real Radio Ham Operator" <listener.cs@googlemail.com> wrote in message
news:d00bd9d8-9854-4512-912d-fb47531962a1@c14g2000vbd.googlegroups.com...
On Nov 30, 10:29 am, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
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> had three attempts at trying to get me to lose my job....is that enough?
> ......

>who nicked your tranceivers? and where they hams?

they think they are now they were let in for little effort ......

2443. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 16:37:43 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9ancddsd1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1360
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"Real Radio Ham Operator" <listener.cs@googlemail.com> wrote in message
news:1fed6a06-d37c-4525-b7c6-8a32a6e7ab83@s14g2000vba.googlegroups.com...
On Nov 30, 10:29 am, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
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> had three attempts at trying to get me to lose my job....is that enough?
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>but they are just a cancer in radio, have you listened to them on
>dm. its still the same shit from when i came back on the radio,
>everythings repeats. chucky arla.

just cb and 11m freeband culture...they can never change......

2444. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 30 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 17:32:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447888d88fbe904cfb9c951@google.com>
Source record: 1361
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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H40T Temotu Province

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 02:41 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370193-H40T-Temotu-Province&goto=newpost

DK1BT, DK7LX , DL4WK , DL7KL , DL7DF , DL7UFN , DL7UFR , SP3CYY and SP3DOI
will be active from Temotu Province , Solomon Islands 12-23 March 2013 as
H40T

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...lomon-islands/

73 Al 4L5A

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PF35FRAG / special event station from Netherlands

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 12:55 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370181-PF35FRAG-special-event-station-from-Netherland
s&goto=newpost

From 2012 december 1 - 2012 december 28 the Frisian Radio Amateur Group /
Leeuwarden / Netherlands, will celebrate it's 35th anniversary with a
special call activity.

The club will be active on HF amateur radio bands with the special call
PF35FRAG in all modes.

QSL info is on QRZ.COM (PF35FRAG)

A special QSL card will be sent to all stations who are logged in the
PF35FRAG logbook.PF35FRAGFRONT.jpg

Club members will also participate in the radio activity with special
PREFIXES PF35 or PD35 supplied with their own suffix.

Hope to meet you on frequencies!!!

PF35FRAG / FRISIAN RADIO AMATEUR GROUP / LEEUWARDEN / NETHERLANDS

Attached Images

PF35FRAGFRONT.jpg
(299.5 KB)

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IG9Y- IOTA AF-019 Dx&Contest Expedition 2013

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 09:48 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370158-IG9Y-IOTA-AF-019-Dx-amp-Contest-Expedition-2013&goto=newpost

The Lampedusa 2013 DXpedition is comprised of an international team from
five countries. We will be on the air October l 17 thru October 30, 2013
running 4 stations on 160M through 6M (SSB/CW/RTTY).

visit us http://ig9.ii9p.com/

2445. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 18:17:42 UTC
From: FranK Turner-Smith G3VKI <g3vKi@turner-smith.co.uK>
Message-ID: <eL6us.650159$vW7.530531@fx19.am4>
Source record: 1362
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
news:k9a3j4$q4r$1@dont-email.me...
>
>>.......and white paint has been
>> poured over my car while parked in the driveway
>
> http://www.photobox.co.uk/my/photo?album_id=941080955&photo_id=7386661545#7386661545
>
Pity about the car, but I've seen worse. There's some real nostalgia in that
slide show of yours though, and we've still got that DAB radio I saw in your
Merc.
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;-)
.
73 de Frank Turner-Smith G3VKI - mine's a pint.
.
http://turner-smith.co.uk

2446. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 30 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 18:19:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae939989385a56c04cfba6f71@google.com>
Source record: 1363
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1842 November 30 2012

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 09:28 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370232-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1842--November-30-2012&goto=newpost

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Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1842 ☐ November 30 2012

Attention bulletin stations. Please note that this is an extended
Amateur Radio Newsline report and contains three breaks. Thank you.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1842 with a release date of
November 30, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC issues a rule making proposal aimed at implementing the 2007 World Radiocommunications Accords; the NTSB says it wants to end all kinds of distracted driving; South Africa☐s ham radio community is told it will have to re-apply for their licenses and the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference is called a major success. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1842 coming your way right now.

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RESTRUCTURING: FCC PROPOSES IMPLEMENTING 2007 WRC ACCORDS

The FCC has issued ET Docket 12-338 that if passed as written is pretty
good news for ham radio. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with
the details:

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ET Docket 12-338 released on Tuesday, November 20th proposes modify the
rules governing a number of communications services for amateur radio which
falls under Part 97 of its rules, the proposed changes are quite positive.

Starting at the low end of the electromagnetic spectrum and working our
way up, Docket 12-338 proposes the creation of a permanent albeit shared
allocation from 135.7-137.8 kHz with a power output of 1 watt effective
radiated power to an isotropic radiator. To those who have never heard the
term isotropic radiator, this is a theoretical point source of

electromagnetic waves that emits the same intensity of radiation in all directions. Translated into everyday language it really means hams will only be able to transmit a few hundred milliwatts of power if that.

Now going up a few hundred kilohertz to the 160 mter band. That where Docket 12-338 proposes to change the Amateur Radio Service allocation to make 1800 through 2000 kHz a primary amateur service allocation.

By way of background, historically, the 1715 to 2000 kHz band was allocated exclusively to the Amateur Service. In 1953, the FCC removed the 1715 to 1800 kHz segment from the Amateur Radio Service and allocated the 1800 to 2000 kHz band to the Amateur Service on a shared basis with the Radionavigation Service. Then in 1983, the FCC allocated the 1800 to 1900 kHz band to the Amateur Service on an exclusive basis and the 1900 to 2000 kHz band to the Radiolocation Service on a primary basis and to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis.

Lastly, in the WRC-07 Table Clean-Up Order, the FCC combined the 10 to 10.45 GHz and 10.45 to 10.5 GHz bands in the Federal Table of Allocations. In doing so, the frequency band was inadvertently not changed to 10 to 10.5 GHz. To fix this the FCC will revise the text of three footnotes that pertain to this spectrum by adding the existing Amateur-Satellite Service allocation to the list of permitted non-federal services. It will also order that non-federal stations in the Radiolocation Service not cause harmful interference to the Amateur Service in the 10 to 10.5 GHz band.

As we said, its pretty good news for ham radio here in the USA.

From the studio in Los Angeles, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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If approved as written, these changes will implement allocation decisions from the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference that concern those portions of the radio frequency spectrum between 108 MHz and 20.2 GHz by making specific updates to the rules in this frequency range. You can download the full text of ET Docket 12-338 at as a Word document at tinyurl.com/proposed-wrc-changes (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: NTSB VS CEA ON DISTRACTED DRIVING AND DISTRACTED TRANSIT

The National Transportation Safety Board wants to eliminate all driver distraction and is broadening its focus on the use of portable electronic devices in all types of vehicles. The issue is part of the NTSB□s recently released □2013 Most Wanted List.□ Amateur Radio Newsline□s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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While acknowledging that distracted driving didn□t begin when people began making calls or texting in the car, the National Transportation Safety Board still says that portable electronic devices that do not

directly support the task at hand have no place in any vehicles. This includes automobiles planes, trains, and just about any other vessel you might be able to think of. As such it argues that states and regulators can set the proper tone by banning the nonessential use of such devices in all areas of transportation.

The NTSB says that young drivers are more likely to use portable electronic devices while behind the wheel and therefore are especially at risk. It urges that laws, education, and enforcement efforts should place special emphasis on curbing the use of portable electronic devices by these younger drivers.

The NTSB goes on to say that companies should develop and vigorously enforce policies to eliminate distractions. It also says that manufacturers can assist by developing technology that disables these devices when in reach of operators.

But the NTSB has some strong opposition from the Consumer Electronics Association or CEA. That organization says that while it applauds the effort, it also notes that the NTSB misses the mark on the use of portable electronics in vehicles. It says that calling for an abstinence only approach, the NTSB ignores established realities of human behavior. It also claims that in-vehicle technology when used correctly can make for vastly safer roadways.

The CEA says that rather than calling for broad regulations or outright bans, policymakers should encourage the use of the many innovative driver safety technologies coming on to the marketplace. The CEA notes that it has already forwarded the NTSB a list of third-party applications that promote safe use of portable technologies in the automobile.

How any of this might affect mobile or even hand held pedestrian portable operations in the future by ham radio operators and other users of two-way radio is at this time unknown. But the NTSB stand seems to be that any and all forms of distraction must be removed from the public□s hands while in transit. And that□s not likely to sit well with the public at large.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Norm Seeley, KI7UP. In Scottsdale, Arizona.

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It should be noted that the National Transportation Safety Board is an independent body that has no authority to enact transportation policy, nor to force the federal government to make transportation policy changes. However it makes recommendations to governments, industry and the public and uses its □Most Wanted□ list as a way to highlight changes that it is advocating. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: ALL RADIO SOUTH AFRICAN AMATEURS WILL HAVE TO REAPPLY FOR THEIR LICENSES

All South African radio amateurs are going to have to reapply for their licenses. This is according to the South African Radio League which says its liaison committee met with that nation□s telecommunications regulatory body Independent Communications Authority of South Africa.

At that meeting the national society learned that following an audit by the Auditor General, that the communications regulator has been instructed to implement regulation 15 of the nations Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations. This is a law that stipulates that an amateur radio license can only be renewed for up to five years after which a new application has to be submitted. Because of this, all South Africa licensed radio amateurs will be required to re-apply for a license for the period of April 1st 2013 through March 31st 2018.

The South Africa Radio League says that the details as to how this will be accomplished are expected to be made public in the next few weeks. Until that time, South African hams should do nothing. As soon as information is made available the South Africa Radio League announce it via its news bulletin service system and make forms available on its website at www.sarl.org.za. (SARL, ICASA)

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BREAK 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including WMRP FM on 104.7 MHz serving FlintMichigan.

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RESCUE RADIO: GAREC 2012 DEEMED A MAJOR SUCCESS

The 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference also known as GAREC 2012 was held recently in Port Dickson, Malaysia. We have an updated report on what transpired at that gathering from WIA Newsman Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

2447. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 20:04:26 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9b3g2opa1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1364
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"FranK Turner-Smith G3VKI" <g3vKi@turner-smith.co.uK> wrote in message
news:eL6us.650159$vW7.530531@fx19.am4...
> "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
> news:k9a3j4$q4r$1@dont-email.me...
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>> http://www.photobox.co.uk/my/photo?album_id=941080955&photo_id=7386661545#7386661545
>>
> Pity about the car, but I've seen worse. There's some real nostalgia in
> that slide show of yours though, and we've still got that DAB radio I saw
> in your Merc.

> ;-)
> .
> 73 de Frank Turner-Smith G3VKI - mine's a pint.
> .
yes nostalgia is not what it used to be....the reason it was no good for the
merc was that the antenna is the side back estate window and it is amplified
but not for the stupid dab band.....

2448. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 20:53:11 UTC
From: "Brian Reay." <seewebsiteinv@ild.com>
Message-ID: <k9b6bnlkd1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1365
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

"FranK Turner-Smith G3VKI" <g3vKi@turner-smith.co.uK> wrote in message
news:eL6us.650159$vW7.530531@fx19.am4...
> "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com> wrote in message
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> Pity about the car, but I've seen worse.

You are assuming it is genuine. Don't forget Jim's famous claim to have been
"beaten up".

Perhaps it is a bit of 'photoshop' or even nothing to do with amateur radio,
just local yobs leaving a nearby pub. Somehow I doubt he lives in the best
of areas.

2449. [DXNL] DXNL 1808 (Nov 28, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-11-30 21:07:57 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <70330153695.20121130201453@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 1366
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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3B, MAURITIUS, AF-049
Achmed,3B8BAE, is a newcomer who can be found in SSB on 28491 kHz
almost every day around 1400 UTC if the propagation allows. He plans
to be active in CW as well in the future.
QSL via K5XK, unfortunately only direct.

9Y, TOBAGO, SA-009
Gerd,9Y4/DL7VOG, is working mainly CW and RTTY on 160m-6m until Dec 3.
He is using an IC-706, HF9VX and 15m vertical for the topband.
QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.dl7vog.de

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
The special event station A641ND celebrates the 41st anniversary of
their independence (Dec 2, 1971) and the National Day of the
United Arab Emirates. QSL via IZ8CLM. See also: http://www.ears.ae/en

F, FRANCE
Until Dec 8, the Radio Club of Faremoutiers (F6KBK) is working from the
"Manoir de l'obelisque" (DFCF 77-183, FFF-1219) in the departement
Seine et Marne/77, region Ile-de-France (DPF 21). The OPs are
Patrice,F6GCP (17m/30m CW), Fabien,F4GYM (40m/10m SSB), and
Chris,F4GTB (15m/20m Digimode, RTTY/PSK31).

ON, BELGIUM
The special callsigns OR200HC and OP200HC celebrate the 200th birthday
of the Belgian writer Hendrik Conscience from Dec 1-31.
QSLs OR200HC via ON3AIM, OP200HC via ON2CYV, unfortunately only direct.

PY, BRAZIL
The special event station PQ125GBA celebrates the 125th anniversary
of the foundation of Guarabira City and the 21st anniversary of the
3rd Battalion Military Firefighters and the "V Walk of Fire" sporting
event. The station will be active in SSB, CW and digital modes on

10m/15m/17m/20m/30m/40m/80m until Dec 20. QSL via PR7AYE.

SP, POLAND
The special event station SN15ZIP will be activated to celebrate the
15th anniversary of the the scout station SP5ZIP. QSL via SP5ZIP.

After 22 years of absence in the Museum of Technology in Warsaw the
amateur radio station is operating again! The station was launched by
members of the radio club SP5PRF "Radio Oaza". The special callsign
3Z5MT will be activated in all modes on all bands by Wojtek,SP5MXW,
Grzegorz,SP5VLM, Radek,SQ5NWF, Krzysztof,SQ5NWI, Radek,SQ5NWO,
Pawel,SQ5STS, Robert,SQ5STZ, and Tomek,SQ5OBU, until Feb 28, 2013.
QSL via SP5PRF. See also: http://www.warsawtour.pl/de/node/157903

ST, SUDAN
Mario,CT1FTR, has moved to the Sudan and got his call ST2FT. He is
using a FT-857 in SSB and PSK31 on HF.
QSL via CT2GBU, unfortunately only direct and eQSL.

UR, UKRAINE
The special event station EN290L is active until Dec 15 to celebrate
the 290th birthday of Hryhorii Savych Skovoroda (Grigory Savvich
Skovoroda, 1722-1794), a Ukrainian philosopher, poet, teacher and
composer and is referred to as the Russian Socrates.
QSL via UR9LD.

V2, ANTIGUA, NA-100
Team Antigua announced that the V26B contest station was totally
destroyed by fire on Nov 18. Luckily, no one was seriously hurt. The
station owner Roy,V21N, received minor injuries due to smoke inhalation
but is OK. As of now, the future of the station is uncertain but it may
be possible to rebuild it as the antennas and towers were not damaged.
The QSL manager Mike,KA2AEV, is working for a power company and is
still busy with repairs after hurricane Sandy. Thus the QSLs for V26B
have to wait a little longer. Please be patient.
See also: http://n3oc.dyndns.org/v26b

VU, INDIA

Ananth,VU2PAI, was QRT for two months after he lost his father recently
and will send out the pending QSLs soon. Please send direct QSLs with-
out green stamps. IRCs are ok but not necessary but he would rather
get some beautiful stamps on the envelope. See also QRZ.com

XV, VIETNAM
Yan,XV4Y (ex XV4TUJ), will be QRV on 80m from the Mekong Delta (for NA
from 1300-1400 UTC and for EU around 2200 UTC). Please be patient with
him since he is running only 100 watts into a low 80m-OCF-dipole and a
small loop for RX. QSL direct via OK1DOT, LoTW and eQSL.
See: http://twitter.com/#!/XV4Y/followers or http://xv4y.radioclub.asia
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Retu,OH4MDY, is on the air again as XV2RZ mainly in digital modes on

20m-6m until Dec 10. QSL via homecall, unfortunately only direct.

YN, NICARAGUA
Scott,K7ZO, plans to produce pile-ups as YN5ZO in SSB and RTTY from
Dec 4-10 using a Spiderbeam (10-20m) and a dipole (40m). He will join
the ARRL 10m Contest in SSB as SOHP. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

Alaska/Yukon-Mini-DXpedition: Yukon John,KL7JR, plans a Mini-DXpedition
for June or July 2013. If you want to join write to: kl7jr@yahoo.com

Bad OPs, bad DXpeditions? Again and again the DX cluster reports bad op's
(lid, idiot on air) and DXpeditions (worst ever DXpedition). Are these
the comments of really serious HAMs? Such statements are evidence of
bad style and lacking any further HAM Spirit! Everyone who does not
agree with the operating style of an OP or thinks that he could do
better on a DXpedition, should spend his own time and money and have
the experience of what it looks like on the other side of a pile-up.
Voltage fluctuations, power failures, storms, accidents, illness,
cancelled flights, ministerial visits and much more are not easy
to plan.

SILENT KEY: Rod Newkirk,W9BRD/VA3ZBB, passed away on Nov 19. He was the
editor of "How's DX?" in the QST magazine from 1947-1978 and was
elected into the CQ DX Hall of Fame in 1984 and the CQ Hall of Fame
in 2002. The creation of the term "Elmer" in 1971 is accredited to him.
Our condolences and sympathy are with his family and friends.
We do not want to be sad that we lost him, but grateful that we could
get to know him as a radio friend. We will always keep him in memory.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Nov 30-Dec 2 ARRL 160m Contest
Dec 1 TARA RTTY Melee
Dec 1/2 TOPS Activity Contest
Dec 2 10m RTTY Contest
Dec 2 IGARAG St. Barbara Party

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-004, EA8, Canary Islands: Andrea,EA8/IK1PMR, and Claudia,EA8/PA3LEO, will
be active from Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF, Grid Loc IL18)
between Dec 3 and Feb 12. They will work on all HF bands and 6m with
Andrea focussing on CW and Claudia focussing on RTTY.
QSLs via homecalls. See also: http://www.ik1pmr.com

AF-049, 3B8, Mauritius Island: Jacques,3B8/F1BCS, is working in SSB, PSK and
RTTY on 20m/15m from Mauritius (WLOTA 0595) between Nov 27 and Dec 14.
QSL only via eQSL.

NA-080, C6, Little Bahama Bank group: Robert,AK4BM, will be active again
as C6AGT from Green Turtle Cay (NA-080) between Dec 1 and the end of
January 2013. A 10m beacon will be active during the day. Robert will
be operating only SSB and possibly digital modes (PSK31 and JT65) on
40m-10m. He may also operate from unihabited neighbouring islands
using his Yaesu FT-817 and wire antennas, most likely on 20m.
QSL direct via AK4BM, he appreciates SASE/green stamps but not required
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Gil,N2GG, will stay on Grand Bahama Isand (WLOTA 0527) from Dec 1-12.
He plans to work holiday style as C6AGG in SSB and CW on 80m-10m.
QSL via N2GG.

NA-108, J6, St. Lucia: The "Buddies in the Caribbean" are planning another
Mini-DXpedition to St. Lucia (WLOTA 1336) from Dec 2-11. Scott,J6/KA9P,
Rob,J6/N7QT, Hugh,J6/W4VAB, Jerry,J6/W5TDY, Budd,J68FF (W3FF),
Ev,J6/W6ABM, Bryan,J6/WB8ISG, and Guy,J68UN (N7UN), will be QRV with
three stations on 160m-10m at the same time. They will join the ARRL
10m Contest as J68UN. Their goal is to make an 'ultralite' DXpedition
with simple antennas, battery-powered portable radios and DXers who
have never experienced the other side of a pileup. Most of all they
just want to have some fun. QSLs via homecalls (direct/LoTW).

NA-145, PJ5/PJ6, Sint Eustatius and Saba: A team of Japanese HAMs will be
QRV in SSB/CW/digital modes on all HF bands signing PJ5J from
St. Eustatius (WFF PAFF-025, WLOTA 1851) between Nov 30 and Dec 12.
Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog/LoTW daily and OQRS will be available.
QSL via JA1HGY (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.ndxa.net/pj5j

OC-012, V6, Yap Island: Haru,JA1XGI, is planning to stay on Yap Island and
wants to become active as V63XG from Dec 4-12. His focus will be on
the WARC bands where he wants to work in CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65.
QSL via JA1XGI (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.ja1xgidxvacation.blogspot.com and
http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm

OC-037, ZL9, Campbell Island: The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of
Australia (HARAOA) is conducting a DXpedition to the subantarctic
Campbell Island (WFF ZLFF-019, Loc RD47NL) from Nov 28 until Dec 9.
Campbell Island is on rank 15 of the most wanted DXCC entities.
The team of Pista,HA5AO, Dave,K3EL, Gene,K5GS, Glenn,KE4KY, Don,VE7DS,
Tommy,VK2IR, John,VK3YP, Les,W2LK, John,9M6XRO, and Jacky,ZL3CW, will
be QRV as ZL9HR in all modes on 160m-6m. This is the largest DXpedition
organized by an Australian club of the last 25 years.
QSL via EB7DX (bureau/direct/LoTW). OQRS will be available as well.
See also: http://www.campbell2012.com and http://k3el.wordpress.com

WFF activities:
PAFF: Fred,PA0FAW, is using the special callsign PG100NOM from the
De Hoge Veluwe national park (PAFF-005) working in CW/SSB and some

digital mode from Dec 1-28. QSL via PA0FAW.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

27Nov-14Dec 3B8/F1CS 1808 *
Resident 3B8BAE 1808 *
22Nov-28Nov 3W2J 1807
-28Feb 3Z5MT 1808 *
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
09Nov-09Mar 4S7KKG 1805
-16Dec 5G12ITD 1807
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798
10Nov-09Dec 5R8IC 1805
16Nov- 5T0JL 1772/1806
24Nov-10Dec 5T0SP 1807
-15Dec 5X1NH 1801/1802
-2014 5Z4EE 1803/1807
2012 6D0LM 1774
Unknown 7P8CC 1807
21Nov-02Dec 7P8D 1807
Resident 7Q7DFC 1805
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Dec 8J1KS 1800
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-31Dec 8J1STGY 1800
-31Dec 8J3IPA 1802
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Mar 8J5SSS 1807
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-31Dec 8N1CJ 1807
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
-30Nov 8N1YKR 1800
-30Nov 8N2100MD 1800
20Nov-28Nov 8P9DF 1806
27Nov-11Dec 8Q7AU 1807
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
30Oct-26Dec 9M2MRS 1803
Resident 9V1KK 1803
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751
-03Dec 9Y4/DL7VOG 1808 *

Resident A22LL 1803
02Dec A641ND 1808 *
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752

23Nov-07Dec AU1JCB.. 1807
-10Mar BM0LF.. 1805
01Dec-13Dec C6AGG 1808 *
22Nov-28Nov C6AQQ 1807
-2013 C91IW 1787
Resident CD6713 1805
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
01Dec-12Dec C6AGG 1808 *
01Dec-Jan C6AGT 1808 *
20Nov-11Dec C6AKQ 1806
20Nov-11Dec C6ARU 1806
20Nov-11Dec C6AUM 1806
CW90A 1805
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784

-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
05Nov-15Feb D3AA 1806
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791
12Nov-30Nov E51ABS 1805
12Nov-30Nov E51BZD 1805
12Nov-30Nov E51C 1805
12Nov-30Nov E51CHX 1805
18Nov-08Dec E51TLA 1806
-31Dec E720RS 1770
03Dec-12Feb EA8/IK1PMR 1808 *
03Dec-12Feb EA8/PA3LEO 1808 *
22Nov-28Nov EA8/OH6CS 1807
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
-15Dec EN290L 1808 *
Unknown ET3AA 1805
-30Nov EV200BP.. 1805

-08Dec F6KBK 1808 *
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
-15Dec FK/VK6DXI 1807
20Nov-28Nov FS/K9EL.. 1806
23Nov-28Nov FS/VA3RA 1807

-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
Nov GX4BJC/A.. 1805
17Oct-10Dec H44MS 1802
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Nov-15Dec HF70TWARDY 1804
-31Dec HG90ST 1804
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
21Nov-30Nov HI7/R4WAA 1807
-30Nov II5TNA 1806
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763

-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
02Dec-11Dec J6/KA9P 1808 *
02Dec-11Dec J6/N7QT 1808 *
02Dec-11Dec J6/W4VAB 1808 *
02Dec-11Dec J6/W5TDY 1808 *
02Dec-11Dec J6/W6ABM 1808 *
02Dec-11Dec J6/WB8ISG 1808 *
02Dec-11Dec J68FF 1808 *
02Dec-11Dec J68UN 1808 *
-17Dec J79WTA 1804
-Nov JW2US 1791/1797
-11Apr JX9JKA 1773/1807
-Mar/13 K6H 1803
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
long term KP2/NQ3X 1799/1803
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
Resident OD5RW 1799
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
01Dec-31Dec OP200HC.. 1808 *
-Nov OZ/KH6DXX 1804

-31Dec P3EU 1786
18Nov-29Nov P40W 1806/1807
01Dec-28Dec PG100NOM 1807
18Nov-01Dec PJ4D 1806
30Nov-12Dec PJ5J 1808 *
-20Dec PQ125GBA 1808 *
21Nov-30Nov R4WAA/HI7 1807
-15Jan S505SLG 1803
-15Jan S512IAPMC 1803
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
Dec SN15ZIP 1808 *
Resident ST2FT 1808 *

-Feb/13 T6LG 1795/1807
-Oct/13 T6MH 1806
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-13Jan TG9/KF5LSG.. 1807
-2015? TJ3SN (?) 1806
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763

23Nov-28Nov V63DX 1807
23Nov-28Nov V63EPO 1807
23Nov-26Nov V63JX 1807
04Dec-12Dec V63XG 1808 *
24Nov-25Nov V6A 1807
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
Resident VK4FMAG 1807
21Nov-03Dec VP2V/AA7V 1807
21Nov-03Dec VP2V/N3DXX 1807
20Nov-11Dec VP5/W5CW 1806
Unknown VP8CMH/mm.. 1804
Unknown VP8DFR 1803
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800
Nov W2WSC/100.. 1805

-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
Nov XV1LC.. 1804
23Nov-10Dec XV2RS 1807
-10Dec XV2RZ 1808 *
Resident XV4Y 1808 *
14Nov- YI1IRQ 1807
Unknown YJ8RN/p 1797
20Nov-28Nov YN2CC 1806
04Dec-10Dec YN5ZO 1808 *
Unknown Z81A.. 1798
Unknown Z88Z 1800
18Nov-30Nov ZD8W 1806
-Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
28Nov-09Dec ZL9HR 1808 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8/SM6GOR via SM6GOR
3B8BAE via K5XK (d)
3W2J via K2PF (B), (L), OQRS
3Z5MT via SP5PRF, eQSL
4L1AN via NI5DX (B), (*)
4L1MA via ON4RU (B)
4L6DL via LZ1OT (B)

4S7KKG via DC0KK (B), (L)
4U1GSC via 9A2AA (B)
4U1ITU (B) (HB9)
4U1VIC (B), (L)
4X/UA9CTT via UA9CTT
5P3WW via DL1YAW (B), (L)
5T0SP via SP6FXY
6W/UN7LZ via UN7LZ (B)
6W7/N1SNB via N0TG (d)
6Y5/VE3AXC via VE3AXC
7P8D via ZS2DL
8P9DF via WJ2O (B)
9G5XA via G3SWH (B)
9H3OG via DL4HG
9H3TX via DL5XAT
9J3A via S57S (B), (L)
9Y4/DL7VOG via DL7VOG (B)
A41OO via NI5DX (B)
A6/YO3FRI via YO3FRI (B)
A61QQ via IZ8CLM (B)
A641ND via IZ8CL (B)
BG5EFD via BD4HF
BW/DJ3KR via DJ3KR (B)
C50C via OM2FY (B)
C6AGG via N2GG (B)
C6AGT via AK4BM (d)
C6AUM via K4RUM (L), eQSL
CA7PGO via CE3AA (B)
CN8QN via EA7FTR (d)
CR3E via W3HNK (d)
CR6T via CT1ESV (B)
CT7/DJ5YQ via DJ5YQ
CW5W (d)
CX2DK (d)
CT7/DL5SAQ/p via DL5SAQ
CT7/OJ0M via OH1NOA (B)
CT8/OH6KZP via OH6KZP
CT9/CT1FFU via CT1EEB (B)
CT9/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
CT9/DL5AXX via DL5AXX (B)
CW5W via CX6VM (d)
CX3AL (B)
CX5TR via EA5KB (B)
CX7CO via WB3CDX
CX7ACH (B)
D3AA via UA1QV (B)
E21YDP (B)
E51TLA via OZ6TL (B)
E7/OE2VEL via OE2VEL (B)
E7DX via E77E (B), (L)

EA/LB2M via LB2M
EA8/IK1PMR via IK1PMR (B)
EA8/PA3LEO via PA3LEO (B)
EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO
EA8/UA5C via UA5C (d)
ED1B no QSL
ED1R via EC1KR (B) OQRS, (L), eQSL
EF5X via EA5FX
EF7R via EA7AJR (B)
EF8M via UA3DX (B)
EL2ES via AA7A (B), (L), eQSL
EL2LF via KY7M (B), (L)
EL2MF via KC7V (B)
EL2WS via N7CW (B), (L)
EM7KAA/P via IK2DUW (B)
EN290L via UR9LD (B)
ER4A (L)
ES6Q via ES5RY (B)
F6KBK (B)
FK8CE via LZ1JZ (B)
FY5FY via FY1FL (B), (L)
FY5KE via FY1FL (B), (L)
G5D via G3UJE
GB2RN (B)
GU4YOX (B), (L)
H44RK via NR6M
HE5LC via HB9LC
HK2PMR via EA5GL (d)
HP1/S54ZZ via S54ZZ
HP1WW via OH0XX (B)
HP1XX via OH0XX (B)
HQ9R via K5WW (B)
HT9H via TI4SU (d)
II1A via IK1SPR
II5TNA via IZ5JLW
IO5O via IK5RLP (B)
IQ1TO (B), OQRS (QRZ.com)
J43J via DJ5JH (B)
J6/KA9P via KA9P (d), (L)
J6/N7QT via N7QT (d), (L)
J6/W4VAB via W4VAB (d), (L)
J6/W5TDY via W5TDY (d), (L)
J6/W6ABM via W6ABM (d), (L)
J6/WB8ISG via WB8ISG (d), (L)
J68FF via W3FF (d), (L)
J68UN via N7UN (d), (L)
J79WTA via HB9MFM
KH7M via KH6ZM
KP2/K7EUG via K7EUG, (L)
LN8W via LA9VDA (B)

LU8EEM via LU7DR
LU8YE via IK2DUW (B)
LY7A via LY2XO
MJ0ASP (L)
MZ5B via G3TXF (B)
NP4Z via N4AO (d)
OF3I via OH3BHL (B)
OH0V via OH6LI (B)
OH8X via OH2UA (B)
ON85RCL via ON3AR
OP200HC via ON2CYV (d)
OR200HC via ON3AIM
OU2A via OP2K (B)
OY1OF via M0URX (B), (L)
OZ5E (L)
PG100NOM via PA0FAW (B)
PJ2/VE7ACN via VE7ACN
PJ2/W0NB via W0NB (B)
PJ2MI via EB7DX (d)
PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI (B), e-mail
PJ4/W1FJ via W1FJ (B)
PJ4D via W3HNK (d)
PJ5J via JA1HGY (B)
PJ7I via JG2BRI (B), (L), OQRS
PJ7I via JG2BRI
PJ7TM via K2GSJ (B)
PJ7XK via 7L4XDT (B)
PQ125GBA via PR7AYE (B)
R25MSB via RA9WJV
RT7T via RY7G (B)
RU0FM (L)
S79NU via DL8NU (B)
SN15ZIP via SP5ZIP
ST2FT via CT2GBU (d), eQSL
SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE (B)
SV9/IN3EEF via IN3EEF
SX9S via SV9AUE
SZ8N (d)
T6MO via K9GY (B), (L)
TA2/LZ2UW via LZ2UW
TC2W via LZ1NK (B)
TF4X via G3SWH (B) e-mail
TM6M via F4DXW (B)
TX1CW via LZ1JZ (B)
TY2BP via IK2IQD (B)
UA2KW (B)
V63JX via JH1DVG (B)
V63XG via JA1XGI (B)
V73AX via WH0AI
VC2T (L)

VC2X via VE2IDX (B)
VD1M via VO1MP (d)
VE2IM via VE3DZ (B)
VK9/OG1M via OH1VR (d)
VP2MMM via W3HNK (d)
VP5/W5CW via W5CW
W4D via WP4SD
WB4DNL/VP9 via WB4DNL
WH0DX via JM1LJS (B)
WP4NQR via RW6HS (d)
XU7AEO via VK6LC (d)
XV1X via RW6HS (d)
XV2RZ via OH4MDY (d)
XV4Y via OK1DOT (d), (L), eQSL
XV9NPS via JA2NPS (B), JA2ODB (d)
XW2CW via DK7PE (B)
YA/IZ1CCK via IZ1BWB (B), (L)
YB0ECT via W2FB (B)
YC9CT via YC9BEC
YN5ZO via K7ZO, (L)
YS1/HB9KNA via HB9KNA (B)
YU100SAF via YU1AVQ
Z38/HA3OV via HA3OV (B)
Z38/HA6OI via HA6OI
Z38/HA7UI/p via HA7UI
Z38/YO5BRZ via YO5BRZ
Z81D via OM3JW (B)
ZD8W via W6NV (B), (L)
ZF1A via K6AM (B)
ZF2AH via W6VNR (B)
ZL1G via NI5DX (B), (*)
ZL2HAM via NI5DX (B), (*)
ZL9HR via EB7DX (B), (L)
ZM1A via ZL3CW (d)
ZM1G via NI5DX (B), (*)
ZP9GBC via ZP5DBC

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: 3D2C (YT1AD), 6V1A (6W1RD)

QSLs arrived bureau: 9A0QRP, 9A202NA, CT2IOV, DA0TTO, DJ0QJ, DK0TT, DL0TE,
DL0YLG, DL1LP/p, DL3PU/p, DR3S, EO300H, EW2A, F6HSJ,
HB0/HB9LCW, I7UBF, LZ1437MGS (LZ1BJ), LZ1818MOG,
LZ9W (LZ1PM), OE3K, OE90B (OE4RGC), OM3CFF,
OM8A (OM2VL), PD0ME, S52DD, S53EO, S57DX, SO8L,
UX7QG, ZA20QA (HA0NAR)

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #48 de K7RA:

Posted: 30 Nov 2012 04:16 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29435

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One Step Closer to 'Space Climate' Forecasting:

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http://www.eham.net/articles/29434

The Sun determines the course of the planets. But the planets may also exert an influence on the Sun. Their configurations appear to be responsible for long-term cycles of increased solar activity. Scientists at Eawag and the ETH Zurich, in collaboration with colleagues from Spain and Australia, have compared cycles of solar magnetic activity over the past 10,000 years - as reconstructed from ice cores - with the action of the planets. The agreement observed is very striking, raising hopes that our ability to forecast periods of intense solar activity may ultimately be improved. This is becoming increasingly important as our society is ever-more dependent on technologies such as satellite communications and navigation systems - as well as power grids - which can be disabled by major solar eruptions.

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Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology:

Posted: 30 Nov 2012 01:58 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29433

I'm turning the place over to Brian Cieslak, K9WIS,who writes about his personal experiences with FIRST, an organization that runs robotic competitions for kids. I answered Brian's CQ on 20 meters, and in the ensuing QSO, I mentioned that I was just back from Renesas' DevCon in Orange County, where Renesas had turned over an entire lunch session, packed with hundreds of engineers, to Dean Kamen, so that Kamen could encourage attendees to participate in the program. (Wikipedia says: "FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) is an organization founded by inventor Dean Kamen in 1989 to develop ways to inspire students in engineering and technology fields. The organization is the foundation for the FIRST Robotics Competition, FIRST LEGO League, Junior FIRST LEGO League, and FIRST Tech Challenge competitions.") I remarked to Brian that I admired the program as Kamen explained it, but I

had some questions, which I'll bring up in a later blog. Brian told me that he had been a FIRST volunteer for years, that he was extremely positive about the program and that he had written an article for the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Website, "The Ham Radio Spirit Lives -- in Robots?," Then he sent me a email, with more about his personal experience in the program than we had covered on-air. I have his permission to repeat it here:

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ARNewsline Report 1842 Nov 30 2012:

Posted: 30 Nov 2012 02:05 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29432

The following is a QST. The FCC issues a rule making proposal aimed at implementing the 2007 World Radiocommunications Accords; the NTSB says it wants to end all kinds of distracted driving; South Africa's ham radio community is told it will have to re-apply for their licenses and the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference is called a major success. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1842 coming your way right now.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #49:

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 08:27 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29431

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, W3UR, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

2451. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 30 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-01 03:51:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9340f65769be004cfc26de3@google.com>
Source record: 1368
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Brown County Ham Operators to Participate in Emergency Test - Brownwood
News (blog)

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 02:23 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEB5QA-jFE2kynl-NqHEwq96HjrGw&url=http://www.brownwoodnews.com/index.php?option%3Dcom_content%26view%3Darticle%26id%3D10388:brown-county-ham-operators-to-participate-in-emergency-test%26catid%3D35:news%26Itemid%3D58

Brown County Ham Operators to Participate in Emergency Test
Brownwood News (blog)
Brown County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), several area ham radio operators will participate in a simulated emergency test this Thursday in Ranger, Texas. Area coordinator Bill Fraser said the scenario is a hard freeze resulting in dangerous ...

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Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning - Ridgecrest Daily
Independent

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 01:54 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF8h9bZeztxBPzyo3lcVuJuRf9UrQ&url=http://www.ridgecrestca.com/article/20121124/NEWS/121129925

Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning
Ridgecrest Daily Independent
The amendment request, should it be approved by the city council at a later date, could permit “amateur ham radio antennas and windmill towers in excess of 35 feet to be erected subject to a Conditional Use permit,” according to a city staff report.

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How a radio ham in a Castlederg shed saved hundreds of lives on a US flight
- Belfast Telegraph

Posted: 17 Nov 2012 12:03 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHzGpotNatxgmVJpJxcoBxg5cE37g&url=http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/local-national/northern-ireland/how-a-radio-ham-in-a-castlederg-shed-saved-hundreds-of-lives-on-a-us-flight-16238741.html

How a radio ham in a Castlederg shed saved hundreds of lives on a US flight
Belfast Telegraph

A ham radio operator helped save the lives of hundreds of passengers on a US-bound flight while sitting in his garden shed in Co Tyrone. Benny Young (29), an amateur radio enthusiast from Castlederg who spends most evenings scanning the airwaves ...

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Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts - Beach Reporter

Posted: 07 Nov 2012 06:07 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNG27r3_9bICOpgsZqnDMuyUnPTf_g&url=http://tbrnews.com/news/hermosa_beach/amateur-radio-association-serves-community-works-with-local-scouts/article_5efd6882-2947-11e2-86ce-0019bb2963f4.html

Amateur Radio Association serves community, works with local scouts
Beach Reporter
It is home to the citys Amateur Radio Association, which occupies the northeast corner of the EOC, alongside police and fire communication centers, while the center of the room serves for training police, fire and emergency volunteer workers. The ...

2452. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-01 07:00:02 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1354345200@panix.com>
Source record: 1369
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

2453. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 29 November 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-01 10:14:25 UTC
From: Real Radio Ham Operator <listener.cs@googlemail.com>
Message-ID: <df7ff957-226d-4904-b7f1-18787b70b9ba@a15g2000vbf.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1370
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Nov 30, 4:35 pm, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
wrote:
> "Real Radio Ham Operator" <listener...@googlemail.com> wrote in
messagenews:f67d4662-3e2c-4864-a0cf-1945a9e96b0b@e25g2000vbm.googlegroups.com...
> On Nov 30, 10:59 am, "GM4DHJ ...." <james.stewart...@ntlworld.com>
> wrote:
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> > >.......and white paint has been
> > > poured over my car while parked in the driveway
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> >http://www.photobox.co.uk/my/photo?album_id=941080955&photo_id=738666...
> >sad to see that, suspects please, and where they hams.
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> hammy twuns pals or relatives ask JBN ......

hammy twuns dont have pals, have spoken to some of their so called
pals, and none of them like them. sad is'nt it.

2454. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 1 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-01 11:55:53 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0447a1195958b404cfc932f3@google.com>
Source record: 1371
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARRL CEO interviewed by Urgent Communications Mag

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FVUB-HT5WNw/arrl_ceo_interviewed_by_urgent_communications_mag.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In an Urgent Communications Magazine interview the ARRL's Dave Sumner K1ZZ
attributed the increased popularity in Ham Radio in part to the
do-it-yourself movement that is sweeping the country

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ZL9HR Operational

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Qv9Y7tuEaG0/zl9hr_operational.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

As the pile-ups indicate, ZL9HR came on air about an hour ago

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mnUeFDPe6Bo/048_december_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The average daily sunspot number for the week was down nearly 38% to 78.9,
when compared to last week's average, which was 126.9

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Mevg8yb4orc/december_01.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Wind Farm backscatter on 10 GHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/m73VvYF4DB8/wind_farm_backscatter_on_10ghz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Wind farms have gained notoriety for their threat to national security and slaughter of migrating birds, but radio amateur G4BAO has shown they can have one benefit

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Satellites in a box - Radio Aurora Explorer video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/d2R8EqCiWYQ/satellites_in_a_box.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video radio amateur Professor Jamie Cutler KF6RFX highlights the ability of CubeSats to test new technology in space at low cost

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Portugal - D-Star test on HF/DCS

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6PVmcqVkFBk/portugal_dstar_test_on_hf_dcs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Was created in DCS012 a module titled 'HF Propagation Test Room' (modulo H) linked to a HF radio

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World Radio TV Handbook 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/90Q5M3OCSzc/world_radio_tv_handbook_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2013 edition of the World Radio TV Handbook (WRTH) has just been published

2455. SARL News in English 1/12/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-01 15:44:04 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <FC772DBE1C9C404683C8767342140101@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1372
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 02 December 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it must be announced that the key of E I Terblanche, ZR2ET, became silent recently.

We extend our deepest sympathies to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SARL LAUNCHES THE ANTENNA DEFENSE FUND

RECIPIENTS OF THE MTN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARDS ANNOUNCED

NOMINATION OF COUNCILLORS

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL LAUNCHES THE ANTENNA DEFENSE FUND

While Radio Amateurs are exempted from having to apply for environmental scoping for antenna towers and structures under 15 metres, there are compulsory building plan and zoning Scheme regulations approvals required which administratively are a major challenge. The fees for a building plan approval vary from metro to metro but are on average R2 000. To this must be added the cost of advertising for objections in two newspapers which on average will cost around R3 000. The total cost for the basic application is around R5 000. There is always the possibility that someone may lodge an

objection which can cause further complications and legal fees.

The Council of the SARL has decided to launch an appeal to the relative authorities to have amateur radio towers and antenna structures under 15 metres exempted from the current building regulations. To achieve this legal, environmental and structural experts will have to be engaged to prepare a submission.

At this stage it is expected that this may involve expenditure of up to R50 000. To fund this vital initiative the SARL Council has set up the Antenna Defence Fund (ADF) and is seeking contributions from radio amateurs. To contribute please make an electronic transfer to the SA Radio League at ABSA bank. The account number is 407 158 8849, the branch code is 632 005, also send an email to adf@sarl.org.za with the payment slip showing ADF, your name and callsign. A web page will be set up to list all the donors and information on the progress being made with the project. This is the ideal opportunity for members of the SARL and NON members to contribute to a very important case for amateur radio.

This project will be of the benefit to all radio amateurs and as it may affect you in the future we urge you to make a contribution. Council will, in their budget submission to the AGM in April 2013, make a proposal for some funding from the accumulated funds possibly on a Rand for Rand basis, in other words match the donations received by the ADF with an equivalent amount from reserve funds.

RECIPIENTS OF THE MTN RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR AWARDS ANNOUNCED

At a gala lunch held on Wednesday last week, the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust presented the 2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards.

The MTN Radio Amateur of the Year award was presented to Colin de Villiers, ZS6COL, for his support of Amateur Radio and the SARL. Colin has been involved in the creation and maintenance of the SARL database, liaison with ICASA to align the records of both organizations and many IT support projects that assist the office of the SARL to run efficiently. His latest project was the setup of an automatic receipt system, mailing members the confirmation of payment and their password for the SARL members section of the web.

"Colin has been of tremendous support of not just to the SARL but for all of amateur radio". SARL Vice President, Geoff Levey, ZS6GRL, said in his address congratulating the winners,

The MTN Garth Milne Technical Innovation Award was presented to Frederich Wolff, ZS6FZ, for his technological support at the 2012 Radio Technology in Action symposium and the development of a Software Defined Radio project that will continue to feature in future RTAs. Frik is also the SARL VHF, UHF and Microwave manager responsible for band planning and repeater coordination.

The MTN Amateur Radio Community Service Award was presented to Keith Lowes, ZS5WFD, for the role he is playing in HAMNET KwaZulu-Natal and the support of many sporting events such as the Comrade Marathon and cycle races. Currently he is preparing a team to support the annual Duzi Canoe Marathon.

The three award recipients were presented their awards, a 2012 ARRL Hardcover Handbook and a certificate, by Grace Mothusi, Senior Manager Public Sector MTN Business. They each also receive R1 000.

The Trustees made a special award to Dawie Conradie, ZR6DHC, for his promotion of Amateur Radio in Amateur Radio Today and on community radio. Dawie receives a 2012 ARRL hardcover handbook and a certificate of appreciation. See more on www.amateurradio.org.za.

NOMINATION OF COUNCILLORS

The time for nominating councilors and submitting motions, is approaching. The SARL is requesting each affiliated club, to nominate one or more of its members as councilors.

A councillor must be nominated by an SARL member and and seconded by another SARL member. The nomination must be accompanied by a short amateur radio based CV as well as a signed statement by the nominee that he is willing to serve as a councillor. Councillors should be experienced amateurs who can spend some hours per week on SARL business and can take part in council teleconference meetings.

The SARL makes extensive use of volunteers. Councillors and many other amateurs having special skills or experience, contribute their time and knowledge.

To operate effectively, many different skills are needed. At the moment it seems that there is a special need for a youth co-ordinator, for amateurs with website and database administration skills, for a forum administrator, an office manager to name but a few. There is also a need for more general skills.

Please send in your nominations now, there is no advantage in waiting until the last minute. Send nomination to secretary@sarl.org.za.

NEW MEMBERS

The SARL welcomes the following new amateurs and prospective amateurs as SARL members: Petrus van Niekerk - ZSL1051 Warwick Chapman - ZSL1052 Kobus Chamberlain - ZSL1053

PRETORIA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB SUMMER FLEA MARKET

The Pretoria Amateur Radio club will be hosting their last flea market for this year, next Saturday, 8 December 2012 at PMC in Keuning Street, Silverton. The starting time is 08:00. If you want to book a table or if you need more information, contact Almero, ZS6LDP, on 083 938 8955 or by email to almero@up.ac.za.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at low levels. Crackling with C- class solar flares, sunspot AR1623 is currently the most active region on the solar disk.

For those who want to do their own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 50.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequent 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 02 December - SARL Digital Competition. 8 December - Pretoria Amateur Radio club flea market starting at 08:00. 31 January 2013 - Last day for submission of nominations for councilors for the next term and motions for the 2013 AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 18:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2456. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Saturday 1 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-01 19:03:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e812eea6b04cfcf2dd2@google.com>
Source record: 1373
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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N0D special event station celebrating the End of the World

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 10:40 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1950:n0d-special-event-station-celebrating-the-end-of-the-world&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

According to one of the three Mayan Calendars, the End of the World will
occur on 21 December 2012.

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ZL9HR - They're on their way!

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 10:39 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1949:zl9hr-theyre-on-their-way&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

The team and all equipment left Bluff on the very southern most point of
New Zealand's south island today en-route to Campbell Island.

2457. eHam.net News for Saturday 1 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-01 23:36:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5034847f9c6604cfd2fda2@google.com>
Source record: 1374
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham Operators to Participate in Emergency Test:

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 02:00 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29437

Brown County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), several area ham radio operators will participate in a simulated emergency test this Thursday in Ranger, Texas. Area coordinator Bill Fraser said the scenario is a hard freeze resulting in dangerous conditions on Ranger Hill along Interstate 20, and heaving icing knocking out all electrical power and emergency communications. The simulated emergency begins at 7: 30 Thursday morning, and includes emergency response from Taylor, Eastland, Comanche, Brown, and Erath Counties. Local ham radio operators Ray Schultze, Allen Griffith, Rich Dugger, Dale Seaburg, Cliff Conway, Johnny Gooch, Clint Wynne and Bill Fraser will participate to provide communications via ham radio. The event is to test the emergency preparedness for communications in the event of a power outage in that area.

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Huge Telescope to Warn of Solar Storms:

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 01:55 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29436

PERTH, Australia, Nov. 30 (UPI) -- An eye on the sky in Western Australia's remote outback could potentially save the world billions of dollars by warning of cosmic catastrophe, astronomers say. The Murchison Widefield Array radio telescope unveiled Friday will give the world a dramatically improved view of the sun and provide early warning of explosive solar storms that can damage to communication satellites, electric power grids and GPS navigation systems, the International Center for Radio Astronomy Research in Perth reported. The $51 million low-frequency radio telescope will be able to detect and monitor massive solar storms, such as the one that cut power to six million people in Canada in 1989 during the last peak in the sun's activity cycle. The MWA will aim to identify the trajectory of solar storms, quadrupling the warning period currently provided by near-Earth satellites, scientist said.

2458. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 1 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-02 03:12:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405e938242404cfd600d3@google.com>
Source record: 1375
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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HAM radio reaches out for SKYWARN Recognition Day - Today's THV

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 02:08 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH5uY8EIZGy2sAkNmplYw12EztveA&url=http://www.todaysthv.com/news/article/236871/2/HAM-radio-reaches-out-for-SKYWARN-Recognition-Day

HAM radio reaches out for SKYWARN Recognition Day
Today's THV
... honors for SKYWARN Recognition Day Friday and Saturday, November 30 - December 1, at the North Little Rock NWS office. HAM radio contacted as many other NWS offices to honor the service that amateur radio operators provide during server weather.

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Titanic radio signal man inspires new stage show - WalesOnline

Posted: 30 Nov 2012 10:03 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFC7QRoFTmE0P6DrClY3OVhEW77fw&url=http://www.walesonline.co.uk/showbiz-and-lifestyle/showbiz/2012/12/01/titanic-radio-signal-man-inspires-new-stage-show-91466-32341264/

Titanic radio signal man inspires new stage show
WalesOnline
THE man who picked up the distress signal from the Titanic over his amateur radio from his garden shed in Pontllanfraith has inspired a new stage drama. Whispers On The Waves is being staged by Odyssey, the inclusive community drama group from ...

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Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning - Mount Shasta Herald

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 03:12 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFv0jRCpBxOB3q-Dk2O4JdKyNB7RA&url=http://www.mtshastanews.com/article/20121124/NEWS/121129925

Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning
Mount Shasta Herald
The amendment request, should it be approved by the city council at a later date, could permit “amateur ham radio antennas and windmill towers in excess of 35 feet to be erected subject to a Conditional Use permit,” according to a city staff report.

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Amateur radio club holds technical class - Hometownlife.com

Posted: 22 Nov 2012 06:20 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFiMePo7cG-cZtZ-plUpD9oe_ixdQ&url=http://www.hometownlife.com/article/20121122/NEWS24/211220555

Amateur radio club holds technical class
Hometownlife.com
The Garden City Amateur Radio Club is holding a technician class for those interested in learning more about the Ham Radio hobby. The class is a first level program that will introduce participants to the world of amateur radio. The eight-week class ...

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Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 10:16 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFqUkaRzlqWOmwoHByZFLb-AOgHLA&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/ham-radio-robotics-luring-kids-technology-74714

Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology
Electronic Design (blog)
Brian told me that he had been a FIRST volunteer for years, that he was extremely positive about the program and that he had written an article for the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Website, “The Ham Radio Spirit Lives — in Robots?,”. Then he ...

2459. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 2 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-02 11:23:24 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5014a732c29a104cfdcdbbd@google.com>
Source record: 1376
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ARISS school contact planned December 6, 2012 with school in California

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P7u_DIJNDTo/ariss_event_0612.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An International Space Station school contact has been planned December 6,
2012 with participants at Kline School, Costa Mesa, California

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SARL launches the Antenna Defense Fund

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/V-ztXgV1mRQ/sarl_launches_the_antenna_defense_fund.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

While Radio Amateurs in South Africa are exempted from having to apply for
environmental scoping for antenna towers and structures under 15 metres,
there are compulsory building plan and zoning Scheme regulations approvals
required which administratively are a major challenge

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'End of the World' transatlantic balloon attempt

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The South Texas Balloon Launch Team has joined the N0D End of the World
Special Event and will launch a high altitude 'floater' balloon on December
15th with hopes of reaching Europe before the End of the World

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Titanic radio signal man inspires new stage show

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The man who picked up the distress signal from the Titanic over his amateur
radio from his garden shed in Pontllanfraith has inspired a new stage drama

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VK5VF Adelaide 6m, 2m and 70 cm beacons back on air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZD9BowQVol4/vk5vf_beacons_back_on_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Just in time for the VHF DX season, the 6m, 2m, and 70cm beacons have been serviced and put back into operation at Mt Lofty near Adelaide in VK5

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IARU Region 3 Monitoring System Newsletter

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OD5Ifd4ODEo/iaru_region_3_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The IARU Region 3 Monitoring System notes an increase in the number of intrusions in the higher frequency bands, particular from Over The Horizon Radars on 15 meters

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Taiwan Radio Hams seek additional allocations

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K2GLcpVZkW8/taiwan_radio_hams_seek_additional_allocations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Taiwan's IARU national society the CTARL, submitted a paper about amateur radio in the country to the recent IARU Region 3 conference

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/oWgKAy8mc9k/december_02.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at low levels

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Burkina Faso DXpedition

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/u_E1OwLW-iw/burkina_faso_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Italian Dxpedition Team have announced that their next DXpedition will be to Burkina Faso between February and March 2013

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Lampedusa DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Sr6iPUBYp6E/lampedusa_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Lampedusa 2013 DXpedition is comprised of an international team from five countries

2460. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 2 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-02 19:13:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303349e32aa56b04cfe36c33@google.com>
Source record: 1377
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Series Five Episode Twenty-Five - DXpedition to Tristan da Cunha

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 04:00 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1961:series-five-episode-twenty-five-dxpedition-to-tristan-da-cunha&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-epsiode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty-Five of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has
been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Martin interviews
Robert Chipperfield (M0VFC) about the Tristan da Cunha DXpedition

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The BBC broadcast morse code for 90th anniversary

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:22 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1960:the-bbc-broadcast-morse-code-for-90th-anniversary&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Wednesday 14 November 2012 was the 90th anniversary of the first broadcast
by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) from station 2LO London.

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ReconRobotics to use 70cm band

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:19 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1959:reconrobotics-to-use-70cm-band&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The FCC have refused an ARRL petition to stop the use of the amateur radio
70cm band by surveillance robots.

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New Chinese Data Mode CP-16

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:18 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1958:new-chinese-data-mode-cp-16&catid=37:amateur--ham-radio-technical&Itemid=19

Existing amateur radio data modes have been based around the English
alphabet - now a new mode has been developed to handle Chinese characters.

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White Space Devices Consultation

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:15 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1957:white-space-devices-consultation&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Ofcom has published a consultation on a framework for the operation of
white space devices in the UK.

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New owner for Linear Amp UK

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:07 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1956:new-owner-for-linear-amp-uk&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The DX Shop have announced the acquisition of Linear Amp UK from its
existing owner who is retiring.

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Call to urgent action on 5 MHz

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:06 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1955:call-to-urgent-action-on-5-mhz&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

While Radio Amateurs in the UK are experimenting on the 5 MHz band, South
Africa are still awaiting the answer to the South African Radio League's
request to ICASA to allocate one or more 5 MHz channels.

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Buddies in the Caribbean heading back to St. Lucia

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:05 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1954:buddies-in-the-caribbean-heading-back-to-st-lucia&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

The 'Buddies in the Caribbean' suitcase mini-DXpedition group which
specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and Buddipole portable
antenna systems is going back to St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336)
again between December 2-11th.

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Radio Hams first to discover disappearance of Sandy Island

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 11:03 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1953:radio-hams-first-to-discover-disappearance-of-sandy-island&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Radio amateurs first reported Sandy Island didn't exist over 12 years ago.

2461. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1089

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-02 20:31:09 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <701408.48412.bm@smtp108.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1378
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1089
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
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BID: $OPDX.1089
December 3, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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& 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, IK1SOW, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, PS7AB, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, TA3J, VA3RJ & ICPO and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-November, through Sunday, 2nd-December there were 242 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP8/o, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL9, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5W, SAMOA (Update). Ralph, H44RK, will be active as 5W0RK from Apia between December 8th and March 3rd (2013) from Samoa. Activity will be on 20-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via NR6M.

6Y, JAMAICA. Lester, W8YCM, is currently on his annual trip to Negril, Jamaica (NA-097), and will be active as 6Y5/W8YCM until the new year. Activity has been on 17-10 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

7P, LESOTHO. Chris, ZS6RI (ex-9J2RI, ZD9IR, 5H9IR, EL8RI), will be active as 7P8RI from Lesotho beginning December 17th for 20 weeks - with a two week on and two week off rotation (similar to his 9J2RI activities). Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via details on QRZ.com. For updates, visit his Blog page at: http://zs6ri.blogspot.co.uk

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Steve, 9M6DXX, informs OPDX and its readers: "Hi all, Disappointed with the current poor conditions and high noise level at my home QTH, I have booked two night's accommodation at a seaside hotel where I am able to put up vertical antennas by the sea. I plan to be active (SSB only) as 9M6DXX (IOTA OC-088) on 8 and 9 December, using 400 watts to an 80m quarter-wave inverted-L with 50 ft vertical section and feedpoint just inches above the sea at high tide. On 10m I will use a vertical dipole, again right on the ocean, and will participate part-time in the ARRL 10m Contest (Single-Op, HP, SSB). On the other bands I will use a Butternut HF6V-X with 12/17m add-on kit, elevated about 15 feet above the sea. I will be checking 80m SSB around the greyline for Brazil, northern South America, the Caribbean and eastern USA and Canada around 1000-1050 UTC and 2130-2215 UTC on both days. I will also look for northern and western Europe on 80m SSB between 1500 and 1800 UTC. If propagation is no good on 80m I will try 40m instead. QSL 9M6DXX via M0URX, direct or Bureau. You may also use M0URX's OQRS service <www.m0urx.com/oqrs>, but since I am collecting cards for 5BDXCC, I would prefer it if you sent your own QSL card to M0URX either direct or via the RSGB Bureau. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a few days of the operation.
73, Steve, 9M6DXX"

ANTARCTICA NEWS (By Gianni, I1HYW).....
* Bharati Station (WAP IND-04) is now QRT. After a bit of pain (at the beginning of the season, propagation wasn't good), on the last 20 days of activity, Bhagwati, VU3BPZ/P, had made over 400 QSOs bringing his total to nearly 1500, even if with several dupes. Yesterday (Nov. 26th) his "Inverted V" antenna (RFI HFX400-ST, donated by Oleg Sakharov, ZS1ANF/RI1ANF) has been taken down and packed with his RTX, ready to be moved on board of "P/S Ivan Papanin", from where Bhagwati thinks he will be active between/around December 5-6th, as VU3BPZ/MM. The daily sked which was set up (on 14180 & 14243 kHz +/- 2 kHz between 1630-1745z) did allow several EU stations, as well as NA, VK/ZL, JA and VU stations, to work this brand new "Indian Bharati Station" (WAP IND-04), located at Larsemaan Hills 69 °S, 76° E in Antarctica. Thanks to those who put spots on the Packet Cluster and made contacts with Bhagwati, encouraging him to be on even if it cut hours of sleep to his rest time. There won't be any Ham activities

from Bharati Base for the next couple of years, so those who did take advantage from this 2012 activation were lucky. On the way home, a stop is planned at the Maitri Base (WAP IND-03) where it will be possible for Bhagwati to do a short operation (2-3 days) from there as well. QSLs for VU3BPZ/P have just arrived from the printer, and the QSL Manager I1HYW, is starting immediately to answer the cards received directly. Information on the next activity by VU3BPZ will be on WAP website (www.waponline.it) in due course.

* Novo Runway-Antarctica (WAP MNB-06). Alex, RI1ANR, is currently active from Novo Runway (located few miles away the Novolazarevskaya Station WAP RUS-09). Since he was able to get little more free time, Alex did some checking on his antenna and other radio equipment and all is working fine now. During the evening of Nov. 26th, he made 60 QSOs. This is a very busy time for him now as there are a lot of flights bringing personnel to the base for the turn-over. Alex will be there until March 2013. QSL for RI1ANR goes via RK1PWA.

C6, BAHAMAS. Gil, N2GG, will be active as C6AGG from Grand Bahama Island (NA-001) between now and December 13th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. QSL via N2GG.

C6, BAHAMAS. Drew, N2RFA, will once again be active as C6ABB from Nassau, Providence Island (NA-001, WLOTA 1115) between February 10-21st (2013). Activity will be on 80/40/20/17 meters. He plans to operate on some of the Digital modes (PSK31, RTTY and possibly SSTV). QSL via his home callsign direct or LoTW and also eQSL.

IOTA NEWS.............
EU-009. Russell, G5XW, will once again be active as GM5XW from the mainland Orkney Islands (IOSA OR01, SCOTIA OI14, WLOTA 1652) between December 7-11th. QSL via G5XW, direct only (QRZ.com).

SA-049. Members of the Ushuaia Radio Club are planning a DXpedition to Redonda Island sometime in February 2013. Callsign is expected to be LU8XW/X. More details will be forthcoming.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 3-9th)....
Dec/03rd H Dec/06th AN Dec/08th AN
Dec/04th LN Dec/07th AN Dec/09th AN
Dec/05th LN-AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K*1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K* 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K* 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K* 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K* 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K*9 100-400

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For December). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of December:
GX4BJC/A - Operated from Bude, in Cornwall, by Mike, M0SMJ.
(/A WAB Square ◆S20 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom, G3RPV.
(/A WAB Square ◆L27 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual
operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL
info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>.
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see
<www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for
their awards.

ON, BELGIUM. Berkin, TA3J, will be active as ON/TA3J from various locations
in Belgium between December 7-11th. Activity will be on 160-2 meters using
SSB and FM. QSL via his home callsign; Bureau is preferred.

P4, ARUBA. Tom, K8CX, will be active as P40CX from Aruba between December
3-10th. Activity will be on all bands, but he will also enter the ARRL 10
Meter Contest (December 8-9th), and is leaning towards (but is not sure)
as a Single-Op/Mix-Mode/High-Power entry. QSL via K8CX.

PT0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS (Update). It was reported on the PT0S
Web page, "The PT0S team has landed in Natal the afternoon of Nov. 26th,
after a 3 day long sea voyage on the not-too-comfortable fishing vessel
Transmar II. Everybody is safe and well. We are now catching up on food
and sleep. Lots of sleep." They also mentioned, "The logs of the last 20
hours of operation were uploaded. Please note that these logs do not
contain corrections. (Please also note that it may take several days
for LoTW to post the uploaded QSOs)." For more details, please see their
Web page. Also, a summary of the PT0S expedition, written by George,
AA7JV, is now available for download at: http://pt0s.com/PT0S_Summary.pdf
Remember to QSL via HA7RY. The PT0S's log is available on their Web page
and ClubLog at: http://pt0s.com
https://secure.clublog.org/logsearch/PT0S

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated November 25th & December 2nd)

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4J3M via DL7EDH (d) EA8/UA5C via UA5C (d) PQ125GBA via PR7AYE
4L1MA via ON4RU EE8L via EC8AFM R25MSB via RA9WJV
4L6DL via LZ1OT EG1VCV via EA1RCI SV0XCC/9 via LZ1YE
4X/UA9CTT via UA9CTT EG8AOP via EA8AP SX9S via SV9AUE
5T0SP via SP6FXY EN290L via UR9LD TA2/LZ2UW via LZ2UW
7P8D via ZS2DL G5D via G3UJE TC7X via UA4LL
8Q7AU via HB9OAU H44RK via NR6M V63EPO via JA7EPO
A41OO via NI5DX HB0/HB3YDL via HB3YDL V63JX via JH1DVG
A61LL/ND via EA5ZD II5TNA via IZ5JLW VK2012TDF via VK3HF
A61QQ via IZ8CLM J43J via DJ5JH WP4NQR via RW6HS (d)

A92IO via EI3IO (B) J79WTA via HB9MFM YD0LOU via YB0JZS
AU2JCB via VU2DSI KC8RUD/KH0 via JF2SDR YU175SB via YU1KN
BW/DJ3KR via DJ3KR KH0/JH1BXH via JH1BXH Z38/HA7UI via HA7UI
CM2YI via EA4GJU KH7X via K2PF Z81D via OM3JW
CR6T via CT1ESV LU8YE via IK2DUW ZF1A via K6AM
CT3AS via DL3BK OH0V via OH6LI ZF2AH via W6VNR
CT7/DJ5YQ via DJ5YQ ON85RCL via ON3AR ZM1A via ZL3CW
CT9/DL7JV via DL7JV OP200HC via ON4AZD ZP9GBC via ZP5DBC
CT9/UA9ONJ via UA9ONJ PF35OLM via PE1OLM ZZ100FC via PS7YL
CW5W via CX6VM (d) PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI
E7/OE2VEL via OE2VEL PJ5J via JA1HGY
EA8/DK5AN via DK5AN PJ7TM via K2GSJ
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

NEW QSL MANAGER. Rex, NR6M, is reportedly now the new QSL Manager for H44USMC, the special event callsign commemorating 70th anniversary since the landing by U.S. Marine Corps troops on Guadalcanal.

NH8S QSL STATUS/UPDATE. OPDX was informed [edited]: "Joe, AA4NN, our QSL Manager has processed all QSL requests from OQRS and direct mail. Envelopes and QSO labels are prepared for the QSL cards. The cards were shipped from Italy and we await their arrival. As soon as they arrive, all cards will be mailed.
LOTW confirmations have been uploaded for those that have donated more than 10 USDs to the DXpedition. Remaining QSOs will be uploaded in batches starting December 1st.
Thanks for all for your NH8S QSOs and financial support of the DX-pedition. It is greatly appreciated.
73 and Best DX....Joe/W8GEX and Craig/K9CT co-leaders"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4Z5MU, 5B4AJC, 5C5W, 5R8IC, 5U6E, 5X1NH, 9J2CA, 9J3A, A92IO, AP2IA, BD7LMD, CO2JD, CR3A, CT9/CT1FFU, D4C, D2QV, D64K, E51M, E77DX, EA8/DL3KVR, EM1KY, FP/VA2WA, HC6EP, HH2B, HK3TY, JW0HR, NH2T, OD5ZZ, PJ2T, PJ7PT, PT0S, PZ5RA, S52OP, TI2HAS, TL0CW, UY5AR, VE8EV/P, VP2V/AA7V, XV2KK and YI1RZ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3D2C, 3D2GC, 4S7LSG, 4S7NE, 5T5BV, 5U5U, 7O6T, AP2IA, D3AA, D64K, OA7/DF7NX, HB0/E77QJ, KH8/JA2ZL, RI1ANF, RI1FJ, T6LG, TK/DL4FF, TT8TT, XU7AFU, XX9THX, Z30U, Z81D and ZL7A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: BD1BYV, BD1ISI, DU1UGZ, FM5CD, PP0T, RN0SRR, SP2Y, T70A, T77NC, TT8PK, UK6AC, UK7AZ, UK8AKK, XU7TZG, YI1RZ, ZM2AGY, ZP4KFX and ZS1TMJ

TM101, FRANCE. Jean-Paul, F8BJI, will be active as TM101O (Tango Mike One Zero One Oscar) between now and December 15th. Activity will be on RTTY (till 250 bauds), Thor4 and Thor8. QSL via his home callsign.

V3, BELIZE. Operators John/AD8J and Doug/W3NO will be active as V31NO in the ARRL 10M Contest (December 8-9th) as a Multi-Single entry. Outside the contest (before and after), they will be on all bands 160-10 meters on CW and SSB. QSL via W3NO.

V5, NAMIBIA. A German group will be active as V5/homecall starting early December and with some operators being active until the first weeks of 2013. Look for the following stations to be active:
V5/DJ2BQ - Operator Ewald; January 4-18th; 80-10 meters using RTTY; QSL via DJ2BQ.
V5/DJ2HD - Operator Mathew; December 22nd-January 12th; 160-10 meters using SSB and RTTY; QSL via DJ2HD.
V5/DL3DXX - Operator Dietmar; December 22nd-January 2nd; 160-10 meters using CW and SSB; QSL via DL3DXX.
V5/DK1CE - Operator Ulmar; December 22nd-January 2nd; 160-10 meters using CW; QSL via DH3WO.

XT, BURKINA FASO (Update to OPDX.1088). Members of the "Italian DXpedition Team", who announced last week that their next DXpedition would be to Burkina Faso between February and March 2013 (dates are approx.), reported that they received the callsign XT1T. This will be a 15 day operation on all bands and all modes. Also mentioned are the operators who are Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT, Gino/IK2RZP and Mac/JA3USA. The pilot station is IK7JWY, and the pilot station for the 6m band is IK0FTA. Software Management (real-time log online) will be by IH9GPI. Now available on their Web page is a survey for both bands and modes needs. The official Web site is: http://www.i2ysb.com/idt
Official forum is: http://www.hamradioweb.org
Look for more details to be forthcoming.

XU, CAMBODIA. Members of the "Foundation for Global Children" (FGC) will be on another DXpedition to the "Kingdom of Cambodia" (XU) to support a vocational training center for persons with disabilities, especially tragic landmine victims. The center teaches skills such as repairing radio, TV and motorcycles so that they can become an active member of society and can be self-supported. The FGC will once again use the callsign XU1A between December 5-17th. This DXpedition will also reunite some of the 1998 XU1A operators/members. Operators mentioned are Zorro/JH1AJT (Team Leader), Jay/JA1TRC, Aki/JA4EKO, Masaru/JA5AQC, Champ/E21EIC, Kazu/JH1OGX and possibly some other operators. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (hopefully 6m also) with a focus on 160/80/75 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have three stations operating simultaneously using 2x Yagis, DP and GPs. QSL via JH1AJT: P.O. Box 8, Oiso, Naka, Kanagawa 259-0111, Japan (or via JA Bureau). ClubLog and OQRS will be available later. PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Water Festival activities between November 27-29th in Cambodia, they may have some delays in customs to clear their equipment shipped beforehand. However, they will bring one set including antennas with them to start their operation as scheduled.

YN, NICARAGUA. Scott, K7ZO, will once again be active as YN5ZO between December 4-10th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, including 30/17/12m, using SSB and RTTY. He plans to be in the ARRL 10M Contest (December 8-9th) as a Single-Op/Mode-SSB/High-Power entry. Antennas are a Spiderbeam for 20-10m and a 40m dipole. QSL via K7ZO and LoTW.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio of
Association of Australia (HARAOA) are now active as ZL9HR from Campbell
Island (OC-037, WFF ZLFF-019) as of 0500z, December 1st, and will operate
until December 9th. The team had a bumpy ride getting to the island, but
landed on November 30th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using all modes.
Before going to print, it was reported on DX-World.net (on Sunday), "The
whole team have been given permission to stay overnight on the island.
So far unknown if this will be a regular occurrence. Furthermore, it's
come to light that four of the team were slightly injured during the
voyage to the island and a Spiderbeam antenna has been lost/broken."
Remember QSL via EB7DX direct, LoTW or use the OQRS for Bureau and
direct requests. Also, the first set of ZL9HR logs are now available
through 0331z, December 2nd, and have been posted on their Web page
and ClubLog at: http://www.campbell2012.com/index.php/log
https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=9HR
For more information and updates, visit their Web site at:
http://www.campbell2012.com
ADDED NOTE: Before sailing, Tommy, VK2IR, was able to fit in a short
interview with the New Zealand national radio station to talk about
the ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island and Amateur Radio in general.
To hear the broadcast, go to:
http://www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/morningreport/audio/2539655/rad
io-operators-sail-for-campbell-island

ZK3, TOKELAU. Operators Hans/DL6JGN and Guenter/DL2AWG will be active as
ZK3N from Nukunonu Atoll (OC-048) between April 23rd and May 8th (2013).
Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes.
They will be using a TS590 with a Tokyo Hy-Power solid state amp; K3 with
a 500 watt solid state amp; AV640 and Tripod Leg for 40-10 and GP for 80m.
QSL via DL2AWG. Watch QRZ.com for possible updates.

ZZ100, BRAZIL (Special Event). Look for special event station ZZ100FC from
Calcanhar Lighthouse to be active between now and December 3rd. Activity
is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the construction of the light-
house. Operations will be on CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via PS7YL
(info on QRZ.com).

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)
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mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW
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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

2462. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 2nd December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-02 21:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121202210003.A0A4733C99@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1379
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 2nd December 2012

IRTS Technical Panel

The IRTS Technical Panel is a group of volunteers who have expertise in, or experience of, different aspects of amateur radio. The e-mail address irtstech /at/ irts.ie is a single point of contact for communicating with the Panel. Our aim is to help radio amateurs with technical or operational problems.

Send your question to irtstech /at/ irts.ie. Provide as much information as possible, including details of attempts already made to deal with the issue in question.

Contest News

One of the bigger international CW contests - the CQ Worldwide DX Contest - took place last weekend, filling much of the contest bands with CW, music to the ears of CW fans! For 10 metres and 15 metres this was a weekend of two halves - with disappointing conditions on Saturday, but much improved propagation on Sunday.

Quite a few EI stations were heard, with the East Cork Group EI7M, trying out their new antennas, reporting almost 6,000 QSOs. We also heard Douglas EI2CN, Michal EI3KG, Niall EI4CF, Ark EI9KC and Brendan EI6IZ.

South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party 2011

This year's South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday the 11th of December.

The venue will be the same as last year, "The Morgue," Templeogue Village from 8.00 pm until late.

Members of other clubs and visitors are as usual very welcome to this social event. Limited free food will be available for paid-up members & visitors can choose from the bar menu until 9.00 pm.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group's Christmas get together takes place on Friday the 7th of December in Kilkenny city. The general plan is we intend to meet in Langton's Bar 67 John Street, Kilkenny around 7:30 to 8 o'clock. Langton's is a lively spot with a few different bars in there and a restaurant if anyone wants to get some food. A raffle will be held on the night with top prize of a handheld radio. Check out our website www.searg.com or our Facebook page for more details or directions etc. For anyone who intends coming down and maybe cannot locate us on the night you can contact the club P.R.O Sean EI2HZB on 083-1379764 who will know the whereabouts of the group.

Opportunity for Young Ham Radio Operators

Amateur Radio Supplies in Haverhill, Massachusetts, USA have contacted us with news of a fantastic new program to support youth activity on the HF bands. They seek to help a few lucky young hams get on the HF bands and make some contacts! Do you know any deserving young hams? They will be giving away 3 complete HF stations per year in order to support activity on the ham bands. Full details can be found at the following link http://www.amateurradiosupplies.com/youth-s/222.htm or by contacting Ger McNamara EI4GXB, IRTS Youth Coordinator.

DX News

Zorro JH1AJT will be in Cambodia from 5 - 17 December. He will use the callsign XU1A and be QRV on all bands 160 - 10m CW and SSB. QSLs go via the JA bureau.

Renner PY7RP will spend a few days on the island of Fernando de Noronha from 6 - 10 December. This is a separate entity for the DXCC award and the callsign will be PY0FRP. QSLs go via his home call.

Ralph H44RK will be active from Samoa with the callsign 5W0RK from 8 December until 3 March 2013. He hopes to be QRV mainly on 20 - 10m. His QSL manager is NR6M.

Mario CT1FTR is now in Sudan and has obtained the callsign ST2FT. QSL info is direct to CT2GBU.

Haru JA1XGI will be active from the island of Yap in Micronesia from 5 - 12 December. His call is V63XG and he will be 40 - 6m, CW, SSB and digital. The Islands on the Air reference for this one is OC-012. QSL to his home call.

ZL9HR DXpedition

The much-anticipated DXpedition to Campbell Island, a sub-antarctic island south of New Zealand, will be starting shortly. Campbell Island's antipode (the point on the Earth's surface diametrically opposite to its location) is not far off the south-west coast of Ireland. Nigel G3TXF has pointed out that this should provide considerable propagation enhancement across the spectrum for EI

stations near the antipode, due to the phenomenon of "antipodean focussing" which reputedly can boost signal levels between stations located near their respective antipodes. Those with QTHs in Cork and Kerry may be very popular over the next few weeks!

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2463. eHam.net News for Sunday 2 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-02 23:06:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010ee25cd00f004cfe6ac23@google.com>
Source record: 1380
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Singing the Praises of Unsung Heroes:

Posted: 02 Dec 2012 01:28 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29439

A couple of weeks ago, I spoke with David Sumner, the CEO of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), which represents the amateur-radio community. Sumner was to be the keynote speaker at the Radio Club of America's annual awards banquet in New York City a couple of days later. Since it had been a while since I last spoke with him -- far too long, really -- I thought this would be a good time to catch up. He told me that amateur radio was alive and well. This surprised me, though I don't really know why. I suppose it's because a lot of things that were popular in my youth -- hula hoops, for instance -- have fallen by the wayside in this era of technological one-upmanship that makes the Cold War arms proliferation look like a potato-sack race. Sumner completely understood my reaction. "The perception is that we're stuck in the Sixties," he said. "But the number of licenses continues to grow. In fact, this is the sixth straight year of growth." He attributed the increased popularity in part to the do-it-yourself movement that is sweeping the country -- if you doubt this, then spend some time surfing your cable or satellite system's program guide. According to Sumner, DIY clubs are popping up from coast to coast. He told me of one in Washington, D.C., that operates in a church basement.

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Titanic Radio Signal Man Inspires New Stage Show:

Posted: 02 Dec 2012 01:26 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29438

The man who picked up the distress signal from the Titanic over his amateur radio from his garden shed in Pontllanfraith has inspired a new stage drama. Whispers On The Waves is being staged by Odyssey, the inclusive community drama group from Cardiff-based Hijinx Theatre. Throughout the performances, which take place in the intimate Weston Studio at the Wales Millennium Centre in Cardiff next week, Odyssey's cast members eavesdrop on stories great and small from the last century as they wait for Christmas to turn the corner. With music, laughter, tales and tears, this is a theatrical adventure for all the family. Whispers On The Waves -- inspired by the real-life story of Welsh wireless operator Artie Moore who heard a distress signal from Titanic before news of the disaster arrived in the UK - also features children from Meadowbank School in Cardiff and music

students from the RWCMD.

2464. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 2 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-03 03:27:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d043bdc3664bc6104cfea52ae@google.com>
Source record: 1381
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Sandy proved: When all else failed, amateur radio worked - Delco News
Network

Posted: 02 Dec 2012 06:44 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGe0NIiqmAiLop2cm_kiVcJiewSig&url=http://www.delconewsnetwork.com/articles/2012/12/01/news_of_delaware_county/opinion/doc50b7c282050df833979353.txt

Sandy proved: When all else failed, amateur radio worked
Delco News Network
Knowing one of the characteristics of Amateur Radio where its signals know no boundaries, a collection of Delaware County Amateur Radio operators were on standby. This local cooperative effort began by monitoring the shortwave, long distance ...

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HAM radio operators recognized by Skywarn - KATV

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 08:13 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGblzW3keWqiLbKnV77bwrUHW_xCw&url=http://www.katv.com/story/20237548/ham-radio-operators-recognized-by-skywarn

Today's THV
HAM radio operators recognized by Skywarn
KATV
(KATV) Amateur radio fans, sometimes called HAM radio operators joined Saturday to celebrate their work with the National Weather Service. Skywarn recognition day honors the volunteers who assist the National Weather Service. The amateur radio ...
HAM radio reaches out for SKYWARN Recognition DayToday's THV

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Planning sends ham radio tower on to council - Siskiyou Daily News

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 02:16 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEU27ze9KKGexjqIhX-h9r05LuZXw&url=http://www.siskiyoudaily.com/article/20121128/NEWS/121129813

Planning sends ham radio tower on to council
Siskiyou Daily News
Commission Chairman Craig Porter asked why the requested amendment included

windmills in addition to ham radio towers. "The staff is always trying to think outside the box," Alexander said. "Windmills are certainly becoming more popular source of ...

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Taiwan Radio Hams seek additional allocations - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 02 Dec 2012 12:14 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF_JAaIle9xWGWcNvm_g-e54PONSg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/taiwan_radio_hams_seek_additional_allocations.htm

Taiwan Radio Hams seek additional allocations
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Taiwans IARU national society the CTARL, submitted a paper about amateur radio in the country to the recent IARU Region 3 conference. They are seeking to expand several amateur allocations. On 80m, where they currently only have 3.5-3.5125 and ...

2465. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 3 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-03 11:42:46 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf303349e3d2993204cff13e69@google.com>
Source record: 1382
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Delay to the latest edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GmHMi4xvOyQ/delay_to_the_latest_edition_of_the_5mhz_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Regular followers of The 5 MHz Newsletter will no doubt be aware the Autumn edition is running late. This is due to awaiting news of the current UK 5 MHz discussions and for which in true press fashion, the front page has been 'held' !

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27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w2NYJ59crKA/27th_cars_foundation_course.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding their 27th Foundation training course starting Thursday, January 10

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Delaware radio hams active during Sandy

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BvjBG6iCPws/delaware_radio_hams_active_during_sandy.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Delaware County News reports that Hurricane Sandy proved that, when all else failed, amateur radio worked

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Campbell Island's antipode

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7C0_nCvXatE/campbell_island_antipode.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Campbell Island's antipode - the point on the Earth's surface diametrically opposite to its location - is not far off the south-west coast of Ireland

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GP3ZME video

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zBf8osbX7NI/gp3zme.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The video from Gp3zme/p using 160m, 80M, 40M, 20M, 10M, 6M, 4M, 2M, 2.3ghz,
5.4Ghz, 10Ghz and 24Ghz from Guernsey Island EU-114 is now available

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A day in the life of SkyCube engineering

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jpi9nR8xiyw/day_in_the_life_of_skycube_engineering.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows some typical SkyCube nano-satellite engineering work at
Southern Stars' office in San Francisco, CA

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1mXJ_nbFQbs/history_03_december.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/6EnQ0jYgpSg/dxcc_report_0312.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
25th-November, through Sunday, 2nd-December there were 242 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vxeHJpg4R9I/december_03.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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EURAO Newsletter December 2012

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OhFroB7sVdU/eurao_newsletter_december_2012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

EURAO Newsletter comes out quarterly, either in pdf format and as a website

2466. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 2nd December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-03 13:00:14 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20121203130004.AD0E833C99@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1383
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 2nd December 2012

The news headlines:

* Mid Severn Valley RAYNET called out in support of flood preparations

* Only four weeks to the start of the RSGB Centenary

* South African radio amateurs to reapply for licences next year

Available members of Mid Severn RAYNET group were tasked by the Worcestershire County Council County Volunteers Emergency Committee, or CVEC, during the afternoon of Sunday 25 November. This was at very short notice for the volunteers. Due to the rising waters of the River Severn, the Emergency Planning Officers were concerned at the potential for flooding of adjacent residential properties in parts of Worcester city centre, some of which had been constructed after the floods of 2007. Multi agency teams from CVEC were tasked with notifying homeowners of the threat, issuing warnings advice and leaflets, and reporting back to the Social Services details of residents who might be unable to self help and evacuate, and those who could require rest centre assistance. Tony, G8WOX, Paul, G6DQM and Max, M0VNG deployed with the teams. The teams completed the task into the early evening and stood down, with residents most appreciative of the efforts made to alert them.

With only four weeks to go to the start of the RSGB Centenary activities, the website www.rsgb.org/centenary has details of how you can get involved. RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW will start activity with G100RSGB operating with the Runcorn and Widnes ARS on 1 and 2 January. Contacts and loggings of the special event callsign will count towards the RSGB Centenary Award. Follow activity in both RadCom and on the website throughout 2013.

A South African law stipulates that an amateur radio licence can only be renewed for up to five years, after which a new application has to be submitted. Because of this, all of that country's radio amateurs will be required to re-apply for their licence for the period of 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2018. No action is needed now, and further details are expected to be made public in the next few weeks.

The national amateur radio society of Luxembourg has changed its name to Radioamateurs du Luxembourg. The address and other details remain unchanged. Please update your records accordingly.

The fix for the Logbook of The World bug was implemented on 28 November, thanks to the efforts of Michael Keane, K1MK. If you uploaded your logs by e-mail they won't need to be re-submitted. If your most recent upload via the website was made before 2100UTC on 25 November and it has not yet been processed, the file should be resubmitted. There should be no need to resubmit logs uploaded since 2100UTC on November 25, which would include all CQWW CW DX Contest logs submitted after the end of the contest.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

Today, 2 December, the Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club Rally will take place at Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB. Doors open at 10.30am and entry is £2 with accompanied under-14s free. There will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and a talk-in station. More details can be obtained from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497.

The final rally of the year takes place next weekend, on 8 December. The South Lancs Winter Rally will be held in the Bickershaw Labour Club, Bickershaw Lane, Bickershaw, Wigan. Doors open at 10am for the public and entry is £1.50. There will be a talk-in station and a Bring & Buy as well as special interest groups. More details from Allan, 2E0RAG on 07533 970 841.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 3 December 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Now for the news of special events

Wakefield District Radio Society will be operating GB0IDD for the UN International Day of Persons with Disabilities this weekend until 3 December from the Wakefield 23rd Troop Scout HQ. The aim of the Day is to raise awareness and understanding of disability issues. Operation will be mainly on SSB on the 14 to 28MHz bands. QSL via eqsl.cc only.

5G12ITD is on the air until 16 December in Morocco to commemorate UN Day for Tolerance. They will be active all bands and all modes. QSL via RW6HS.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

Robert, AK4BM/C6AGT will be operating from Green Turtle Cay, which is IOTA reference NA-080, from 12 December to 1 January. He hopes to activate other small islands in the group during the day and Green Turtle Cay in the evenings, local time.

A rare DXCC entity will be on the bands from 28 November until 9 December. This will be a multi-national group operating from Campbell Island, OC-037, using the callsign ZL9HR. They will be QRV on all bands and the QSL manager is EB7DX.

A large Polish group will activate the West African country of Mauritania from now until 10 December. The callsign to look out for is 5T0SP and the QSL manager is SP6FXY. They will be on 6 to 160m using CW, SSB and RTTY.

Retu, OH4MDY is returning to Vietnam where he will reactivate his XV2RZ callsign until 10 December. He will operate on 6 to 20m using CW and SSB. He requests direct QSLs to his home address in Finland.

Now the contest news

The third event in this season's Super League series takes place today, 2 December. The 144MHz AFS contest runs from 0900 to 1700UTC. Using all modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The ARRL 160m Contest finishes its 42 hours stint at 1600 today, 2 December. Work the USA, US Territories and Canada only in this CW event. The rules say the segment 1830 to 1835 should be used for intercontinental QSOs only. The exchange is signal report, although W and VE stations also send their ARRL or RAC section.

Tuesday 4 December sees the 144MHZ UK Activity Contest taking place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Next weekend, on 8 and 9 December the ARRL 10m Contest takes place from 0000 to 2359UTC. In this CW and phone event everyone works everyone. ARRL event has numerous entry categories, so please check the rules online to find an appropriate one for yourself. The exchange is signal report and serial number, although W, VE and XE stations will send their State or Province code too.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 23rd to the 29th of November compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 30th of November

Several large and magnetically complex sunspot regions appeared during the period and most produced a number of C class solar flares every day. However, solar activity increased to moderate levels on the 27th and the 28th when two M class solar flares took place on the 27th and one on the next day. Solar flux levels declined from 126 units on the 23rd to 113 by the 29th. The average was 119 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 29th was 123 units, that's one unit up on last week. X-ray flux levels increased to peak at B5.8 units on the 26th but then declined to B3.9 by the end of the period. The average was B3.9 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day except for the 24th, when a coronal mass ejection arrived and a weak geomagnetic disturbance took place during the first half of the day. The Ap index for the day

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for the remainder of the period. Bz varied between minus 11 and plus 13 nanoTeslas during the disturbance and between minus and plus 3 nanoTeslas on the quiet days.

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On Thursday Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society has its Christmas dinner for those who have pre-booked. Contact David Leech, G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Detail from Tim Ward, 2E0TJW, on 07810 481 182.

On Thursday Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a mince pie evening. Details from John Burnett, M6JBU, on 07860 804 793.

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On Friday Radio Society of Harrow has its construction contest. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club has its Christmas dinner for those who have booked. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Friday Thames Amateur Radio Group is having an evening of digital modes and mince pies. Contact Pete Sipple, M0PSX, on 07940 579 116.

On Friday Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on the Falkland Islands by Roger Eeles, G0SWC. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its Monday HF net on 3.675MHz at 19:45. The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 19:45 and on Thursday it's the 4m net on 70.425MHz from 19:00. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

On Wednesday Riviera Amateur Radio Club has its 2m net on 145.425MHz from 20:00. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on 2.4GHz by Arnie Mansell. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas social and presentation night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding its main meeting. The details for this meeting in RadCom are incorrect. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a table top sale with Len, G4RZY. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695

471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas dinner. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Guernsey Amateur Radio Society is meeting at 8pm in the St Pierre Park Hotel. All current members are invited and visitors are most welcome. Contact Tom Burnett, 2U0TKB, for more information.

On Friday Poole Radio Society is having revision and feedback on the Intermediate course. Contact Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night with the TARS 80m Net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 3 December Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding an open forum for members' ideas for 2013. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 4 December Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society has its Christmas party. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday 4 December Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas dinner. Contact Frank Bailey, M1EYH, by email to fcbailey20@btinternet.com.

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2467. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 2nd December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-03 13:08:27 UTC
From: The CS INFORMER <csinformer@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <195584d5-6585-4f44-a371-d8fd5f88a212@r3g2000vbn.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1384
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Dec 3, 1:00 pm, Newsd...@rsgb.org.uk wrote:
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> The news headlines:
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> * Mid Severn Valley RAYNET called out in support of flood preparations
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> * Only four weeks to the start of the RSGB Centenary
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> * South African radio amateurs to reapply for licences next year
>
> Available members of Mid Severn RAYNET group were tasked by the
> Worcestershire County Council County Volunteers Emergency Committee, or
> CVEC, during the afternoon of Sunday 25 November. This was at very
> short notice for the volunteers. Due to the rising waters of the River
> Severn, the Emergency Planning Officers were concerned at the potential
> for flooding of adjacent residential properties in parts of Worcester
> city centre, some of which had been constructed after the floods of
> 2007. Multi agency teams from CVEC were tasked with notifying
> homeowners of the threat, issuing warnings advice and leaflets, and
> reporting back to the Social Services details of residents who might be
> unable to self help and evacuate, and those who could require rest
> centre assistance. Tony, G8WOX, Paul, G6DQM and Max, M0VNG deployed
> with the teams. The teams completed the task into the early evening and
> stood down, with residents most appreciative of the efforts made to
> alert them.
>
> With only four weeks to go to the start of the RSGB Centenary
> activities, the websitewww.rsgb.org/centenaryhas details of how you
> can get involved. RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW will start activity
> with G100RSGB operating with the Runcorn and Widnes ARS on 1 and 2
> January. Contacts and loggings of the special event callsign will count
> towards the RSGB Centenary Award. Follow activity in both RadCom and on
> the website throughout 2013.
>
> A South African law stipulates that an amateur radio licence can only
> be renewed for up to five years, after which a new application has to
> be submitted. Because of this, all of that country's radio amateurs
> will be required to re-apply for their licence for the period of 1
> April 2013 to 31 March 2018. No action is needed now, and further
> details are expected to be made public in the next few weeks.

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> The national amateur radio society of Luxembourg has changed its name
> to Radioamateurs du Luxembourg. The address and other details remain
> unchanged. Please update your records accordingly.
>
> The fix for the Logbook of The World bug was implemented on 28
> November, thanks to the efforts of Michael Keane, K1MK. If you uploaded
> your logs by e-mail they won't need to be re-submitted. If your most
> recent upload via the website was made before 2100UTC on 25 November
> and it has not yet been processed, the file should be resubmitted.
> There should be no need to resubmit logs uploaded since 2100UTC on
> November 25, which would include all CQWW CW DX Contest logs submitted
> after the end of the contest.
>
> And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week
>
> Today, 2 December, the Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club Rally will
> take place at Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB. Doors open
> at 10.30am and entry is £2 with accompanied under-14s free. There will
> be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and a talk-in station. More details can
> be obtained from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497.
>
> The final rally of the year takes place next weekend, on 8 December.
> The South Lancs Winter Rally will be held in the Bickershaw Labour
> Club, Bickershaw Lane, Bickershaw, Wigan. Doors open at 10am for the
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> Wakefield District Radio Society will be operating GB0IDD for the UN
> International Day of Persons with Disabilities this weekend until 3
> December from the Wakefield 23rd Troop Scout HQ. The aim of the Day is
> to raise awareness and understanding of disability issues. Operation
> will be mainly on SSB on the 14 to 28MHz bands. QSL via eqsl.cc only.
>
> 5G12ITD is on the air until 16 December in Morocco to commemorate UN
> Day for Tolerance. They will be active all bands and all modes. QSL via
> RW6HS.
>
> And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources
>
> Robert, AK4BM/C6AGT will be operating from Green Turtle Cay, which is
> IOTA reference NA-080, from 12 December to 1 January. He hopes to
> activate other small islands in the group during the day and Green
> Turtle Cay in the evenings, local time.
>
> A rare DXCC entity will be on the bands from 28 November until 9

> December. This will be a multi-national group operating from Campbell
> Island, OC-037, using the callsign ZL9HR. They will be QRV on all bands
> and the QSL manager is EB7DX.
>
> A large Polish group will activate the West African country of
> Mauritania from now until 10 December. The callsign to look out for is
> 5T0SP and the QSL manager is SP6FXY. They will be on 6 to 160m using
> CW, SSB and RTTY.
>
> Retu, OH4MDY is returning to Vietnam where he will reactivate his XV2RZ
> callsign until 10 December. He will operate on 6 to 20m using CW and
> SSB. He requests direct QSLs to his home address in Finland.
>
> Now the contest news
>
> The third event in this season's Super League series takes place today,
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> modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and
> locator.
>
> The ARRL 160m Contest finishes its 42 hours stint at 1600 today, 2
> December. Work the USA, US Territories and Canada only in this CW
> event. The rules say the segment 1830 to 1835 should be used for
> intercontinental QSOs only. The exchange is signal report, although W
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>
> Tuesday 4 December sees the 144MHZ UK Activity Contest taking place
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> serial number and locator.
>
> Next weekend, on 8 and 9 December the ARRL 10m Contest takes place from
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> report and serial number, although W, VE and XE stations will send
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>
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>
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>
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>
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> 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.
>
> On Wednesday Riviera Amateur Radio Club has its 2m net on 145.425MHz
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> riviera...@gmail.com.
>
> On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is
> having a talk on 2.4GHz by Arnie Mansell. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454
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>
> On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its
> Christmas social and presentation night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on
> 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.
>
> On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding its main meeting. The
> details for this meeting in RadCom are incorrect. Details from Steve,
> G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.
>
> On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a table top
> sale with Len, G4RZY. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695
> 471.
>
> On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its
> Christmas dinner. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.
>
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> Pierre Park Hotel. All current members are invited and visitors are
> most welcome. Contact Tom Burnett, 2U0TKB, for more information.
>
> On Friday Poole Radio Society is having revision and feedback on the
> Intermediate course. Contact Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to
> secret...@g4prs.org.uk.
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> On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night with
> the TARS 80m Net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to
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>
> NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 3 December Dragon Amateur Radio Club is
> holding an open forum for members' ideas for 2013. More information
> from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.
>
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Date: 2012-12-03 13:09:34 UTC
From: The CS INFORMER <csinformer@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <52bc1e37-5a0f-4934-b5e8-da1963440258@dg10g2000vbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1385
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On Dec 3, 1:00 pm, Newsd...@rsgb.org.uk wrote:
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> * Only four weeks to the start of the RSGB Centenary
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> * South African radio amateurs to reapply for licences next year
>
> Available members of Mid Severn RAYNET group were tasked by the
> Worcestershire County Council County Volunteers Emergency Committee, or
> CVEC, during the afternoon of Sunday 25 November. This was at very
> short notice for the volunteers. Due to the rising waters of the River
> Severn, the Emergency Planning Officers were concerned at the potential
> for flooding of adjacent residential properties in parts of Worcester
> city centre, some of which had been constructed after the floods of
> 2007. Multi agency teams from CVEC were tasked with notifying
> homeowners of the threat, issuing warnings advice and leaflets, and
> reporting back to the Social Services details of residents who might be
> unable to self help and evacuate, and those who could require rest
> centre assistance. Tony, G8WOX, Paul, G6DQM and Max, M0VNG deployed
> with the teams. The teams completed the task into the early evening and
> stood down, with residents most appreciative of the efforts made to
> alert them.
>
> With only four weeks to go to the start of the RSGB Centenary
> activities, the websitewww.rsgb.org/centenaryhas details of how you
> can get involved. RSGB President Dave Wilson, M0OBW will start activity
> with G100RSGB operating with the Runcorn and Widnes ARS on 1 and 2
> January. Contacts and loggings of the special event callsign will count
> towards the RSGB Centenary Award. Follow activity in both RadCom and on
> the website throughout 2013.
>
> A South African law stipulates that an amateur radio licence can only
> be renewed for up to five years, after which a new application has to
> be submitted. Because of this, all of that country's radio amateurs
> will be required to re-apply for their licence for the period of 1
> April 2013 to 31 March 2018. No action is needed now, and further
> details are expected to be made public in the next few weeks.

>
> The national amateur radio society of Luxembourg has changed its name
> to Radioamateurs du Luxembourg. The address and other details remain
> unchanged. Please update your records accordingly.
>
> The fix for the Logbook of The World bug was implemented on 28
> November, thanks to the efforts of Michael Keane, K1MK. If you uploaded
> your logs by e-mail they won't need to be re-submitted. If your most
> recent upload via the website was made before 2100UTC on 25 November
> and it has not yet been processed, the file should be resubmitted.
> There should be no need to resubmit logs uploaded since 2100UTC on
> November 25, which would include all CQWW CW DX Contest logs submitted
> after the end of the contest.
>
> And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week
>
> Today, 2 December, the Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs Club Rally will
> take place at Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Co Durham DL16 6DB. Doors open
> at 10.30am and entry is £2 with accompanied under-14s free. There will
> be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and a talk-in station. More details can
> be obtained from Mark, G0GFG on 01388 747 497.
>
> The final rally of the year takes place next weekend, on 8 December.
> The South Lancs Winter Rally will be held in the Bickershaw Labour
> Club, Bickershaw Lane, Bickershaw, Wigan. Doors open at 10am for the
> public and entry is £1.50. There will be a talk-in station and a Bring
> & Buy as well as special interest groups. More details from Allan,
> 2E0RAG on 07533 970 841.
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> Wakefield District Radio Society will be operating GB0IDD for the UN
> International Day of Persons with Disabilities this weekend until 3
> December from the Wakefield 23rd Troop Scout HQ. The aim of the Day is
> to raise awareness and understanding of disability issues. Operation
> will be mainly on SSB on the 14 to 28MHz bands. QSL via eqsl.cc only.
>
> 5G12ITD is on the air until 16 December in Morocco to commemorate UN
> Day for Tolerance. They will be active all bands and all modes. QSL via
> RW6HS.
>
> And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources
>
> Robert, AK4BM/C6AGT will be operating from Green Turtle Cay, which is
> IOTA reference NA-080, from 12 December to 1 January. He hopes to
> activate other small islands in the group during the day and Green
> Turtle Cay in the evenings, local time.
>
> A rare DXCC entity will be on the bands from 28 November until 9

> December. This will be a multi-national group operating from Campbell
> Island, OC-037, using the callsign ZL9HR. They will be QRV on all bands
> and the QSL manager is EB7DX.
>
> A large Polish group will activate the West African country of
> Mauritania from now until 10 December. The callsign to look out for is
> 5T0SP and the QSL manager is SP6FXY. They will be on 6 to 160m using
> CW, SSB and RTTY.
>
> Retu, OH4MDY is returning to Vietnam where he will reactivate his XV2RZ
> callsign until 10 December. He will operate on 6 to 20m using CW and
> SSB. He requests direct QSLs to his home address in Finland.
>
> Now the contest news
>
> The third event in this season's Super League series takes place today,
> 2 December. The 144MHz AFS contest runs from 0900 to 1700UTC. Using all
> modes on the band the exchange is signal report, serial number and
> locator.
>
> The ARRL 160m Contest finishes its 42 hours stint at 1600 today, 2
> December. Work the USA, US Territories and Canada only in this CW
> event. The rules say the segment 1830 to 1835 should be used for
> intercontinental QSOs only. The exchange is signal report, although W
> and VE stations also send their ARRL or RAC section.
>
> Tuesday 4 December sees the 144MHZ UK Activity Contest taking place
> from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report,
> serial number and locator.
>
> Next weekend, on 8 and 9 December the ARRL 10m Contest takes place from
> 0000 to 2359UTC. In this CW and phone event everyone works everyone.
> ARRL event has numerous entry categories, so please check the rules
> online to find an appropriate one for yourself. The exchange is signal
> report and serial number, although W, VE and XE stations will send
> their State or Province code too.
>
> And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 23rd to
> the 29th of November compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 30th
> of November
>
> Several large and magnetically complex sunspot regions appeared during
> the period and most produced a number of C class solar flares every
> day. However, solar activity increased to moderate levels on the 27th
> and the 28th when two M class solar flares took place on the 27th and
> one on the next day. Solar flux levels declined from 126 units on the
> 23rd to 113 by the 29th. The average was 119 units. The 90 day solar
> flux average on the 29th was 123 units, that's one unit up on last
> week. X-ray flux levels increased to peak at B5.8 units on the 26th but
> then declined to B3.9 by the end of the period. The average was B3.9

> units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day except for the 24th,
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> units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds
> increase from 300 kilometres per second on the 23rd to 550 by the 26th.
> Speeds then gradually declined to 330 kilometres per second by the end
> of the period. Particle densities increased to 22 particles per cubic
> centimetre on the 23rd and then increased further the next day to 44
> particles per cubic centimetre. Densities then returned to low levels
> for the remainder of the period. Bz varied between minus 11 and plus 13
> nanoTeslas during the disturbance and between minus and plus 3
> nanoTeslas on the quiet days.
>
> And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This week the quiet
> side of the Sun is expected to be looking our way. There are though a
> couple of regions that will remain visible. Solar activity should be at
> low levels on most days but could increase to moderate levels on some
> days. Solar flux levels should be around 110 units but could start to
> increase after midweek. Geomagnetic activity should be at active levels
> at first due to a recurring coronal hole. However, from midweek
> activity should have returned to quiet levels. MUFs during daylight
> hours should be around 26MHz for the south and 23MHz for the north.
> Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. Paths this week to Australia
> should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate
> of around 27MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent
> success rate will be about 22MHz. The best time to try this path will
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>
> website, including email addresses and website links where known.
>
> [Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to
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> transmission. On Sunday 9 December at 10.30am, Steve, M5ZZZ will
> commence a news reading via GB3LM. The repeater serves the Lincoln area
> and is on 145.725MHz. However, a volunteer is needed to back up this

> news reading. Anyone interested must be an RSGB member and be within
> the GB3LM service area. Volunteers should contact the GB2RS News
> Manager Gordon, G3LEQ, on 01 565 652 652.
>
> Now for clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is
> taking part in the 144MHz AFS Contest from 0900-1700 today and has a
> club net on 145.225MHz FM from 2000. On Monday there is a mock Advanced
> exam at 2000. Tuesday sees the Morse class from 1945 and a free 'n'
> easy evening from 2030. The Advanced exam is on Wednesday at 1830. The
> Friday shack social starts at 1930. Next Saturday sees the Christmas
> party from 1930 and next Sunday there's the club net on 145.225MHz FM
> from 2000. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.
>
> Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club
> net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On
> Wednesday there is a M3+M6 club net on GB3FR and Friday sees a club net
> on GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more
> information.
>
> South Birmingham Radio Society has an open meeting and report on RSGB
> EGM on Monday. Tuesday sees a coffee morning in the shack between 11am
> and 1pm, and on Friday there's work in the shack. Contact Mick Cleary,
> G7RRP, on 07595 696 359.
>
> Lincoln Short-Wave Club takes part in the 144MHz UK Activity Contest
> from 2000 on Tuesday. Wednesday sees G5FZ on the air from the shack and
> a natter night at the BSA Club. The club repeater net is on 145.725MHz
> from 2000 on Thursday, and Friday sees the Christmas party. Next
> Saturday sees the surgery in the shack from 0900. For more information
> contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.
>
> South Notts Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 2m contest on
> Tuesday. Wednesday sees the Advanced exam and a talk on the decatron
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>
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>
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>
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>
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>
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>
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>
> On Saturday Tamworth Amateur Radio Society is having a meeting. Contact
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> s...@g3pho.org.uk.
>
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>
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> Alistair Peacock, G3NHP. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343
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>
> On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is having a members'
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> social. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.
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> 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio
> Society is having a fish & chip evening. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444
> 232 129.

>
> On Friday Radio Society of Harrow has its construction contest. More
> information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.
>
> On Friday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club has its Christmas
> dinner for those who have booked. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189
> 695 697.
>
> On Friday Thames Amateur Radio Group is having an evening of digital
> modes and mince pies. Contact Pete Sipple, M0PSX, on 07940 579 116.
>
> On Friday Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group is having a talk on the
> Falkland Islands by Roger Eeles, G0SWC. Details on the web atwww.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.
>
> NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST Exeter Amateur Radio Society has its Monday HF
> net on 3.675MHz at 19:45. The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 19:45
> and on Thursday it's the 4m net on 70.425MHz from 19:00. Contact Nick,
> 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.
>
> On Wednesday Riviera Amateur Radio Club has its 2m net on 145.425MHz
> from 20:00. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to
> riviera...@gmail.com.
>
> On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is
> having a talk on 2.4GHz by Arnie Mansell. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454
> 417 048.
>
> On Wednesday Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its
> Christmas social and presentation night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on
> 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.
>
> On Thursday Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding its main meeting. The
> details for this meeting in RadCom are incorrect. Details from Steve,
> G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.
>
> On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding a table top
> sale with Len, G4RZY. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695
> 471.
>
> On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its
> Christmas dinner. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.
>
> On Friday Guernsey Amateur Radio Society is meeting at 8pm in the St
> Pierre Park Hotel. All current members are invited and visitors are
> most welcome. Contact Tom Burnett, 2U0TKB, for more information.
>
> On Friday Poole Radio Society is having revision and feedback on the
> Intermediate course. Contact Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to
> secret...@g4prs.org.uk.
>

> On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night with
> the TARS 80m Net. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to
> g6...@tars.org.uk.
>
> NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 3 December Dragon Amateur Radio Club is
> holding an open forum for members' ideas for 2013. More information
> from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.
>
> On Tuesday 4 December Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society has its
> Christmas party. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.
>
> On Tuesday 4 December Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is holding its
> Christmas dinner. Contact Frank Bailey, M1EYH, by email to
> fcbaile...@btinternet.com.
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2469. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 26 November - 02 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-03 16:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121203163001.AA24133C99@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1386
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Dec 03 1338 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
26 November - 02 December 2012

Solar activity reached moderate levels this week with a total of
three M-class events, two of which came from Region 1620 (S12, L=97,
class/area=Ekc/420 on 28 November). This region appeared on 20
November and remained relatively small and stable for the first six
days. On 26 November, it more than quadrupled in size (to 240 mil)
and almost doubled in spot count (to 23). The following day it
produced the first of two M-class events, an M1/Sf on 27/2126 UTC.
By this time it had evolved to a beta-gamma-delta magnetic
configuration which it would maintain for the following two days.
The rapid growth continued and Region 1620 reached 420 mils on 28
November when it produced an M2/1f event at 2136 UTC. Following this
second M-class event, the region began to decay and produced only
occasional C-class events until it crossed the west limb on 01
December.

The remaining M-class flare was attributed to Region 1618 (N08,
L=135, class/area=Ekc/450 on 23 November). This region produced
three M-class flares in the week prior. This week it only managed to
produce one, an M1/Sf on 27 November at 1557 UTC. By this time it
had shrunk to 170 millionths but retained its beta-gamma-delta
magnetic configuration. It rotated around the west limb the next
day.

The largest region on the disk this week was Region 1623 (N09,
L=340, class/area=Eko/450 on 28 November). It produced a C5/Sf flare
on 29/1205 UTC and four other C-flares as its magnetic complexity
increased to a beta-gamma configuration. It retained this complexity
for the next three days but failed to produce any more C-flares.
Nearby, Region 1625 (N15, L=338, class/area=Dso/230 on 29 November)
managed to produce six unremarkable C-flares on its first day. The
remaining regions during the week were relatively quiescent.
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No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal to moderate levels all week.

Geomagnetic field activity was quiet all week with the exception of two unsettled periods. The first was during the 00-03 synoptic period on 26 November most likely associated with a CME that erupted on 23 November. A weak interplanetary shock was observed at the ACE spacecraft at 26/0437 UTC followed by an 8nT sudden impulse at the Boulder magnetometer at 26/0514 UTC. Conditions quickly returned to quiet levels. The second unsettled period was early on 02 December associated with co-rotating interaction region.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
03 December - 29 December 2012

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance of isolated M-class flares through the entire forecast period (03-29 December).

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal levels except during 14-21 December following the onset of a coronal hole high speed stream on 11 December and sustained by another stream which is expected to become geoeffective on 14 December.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels for the majority of the forecast period. Unsettled to potentially active levels are expected on 11-12, 14, and 29 December associated with recurrent high speed solar wind streams.

2470. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 3 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-03 17:14:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93b577a6e459f04cff5e2d8@google.com>
Source record: 1387
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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OJ0V Market Reef

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 07:11 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370629-OJ0V-Market-Reef&goto=newpost

ON5JT, ON6QO, ON4CCP, ON4LEM and ON8VP will be active from Market Reef
(IOTA EU-053) 1-6 July 2013 as OJ0V

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/oj0v_market-reef/

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Northwood's 10 Meter Net (Wisconsin)

Posted: 02 Dec 2012 12:48 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370555-Northwood-s-10-Meter-Net-(-Wisconsin-)&goto=newpost

Northwood's 10 Meter Net on 28.325 Upper Side Band Sunday's 7:30 Pm CST.
This net is open to all amateur. We also have a Facebook page
http://www.facebook.com/groups/181821328622495/ anyone is welcome to join.:)

2471. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 3 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-03 17:57:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447f1688f1c3104cff67b66@google.com>
Source record: 1388
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Balloon Transcontinental and Transatlantic Attempt in Progress

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 08:43 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370637-Amateur-Radio-Balloon-Transcontinental-and-Tra
nsatlantic-Attempt-in-Progress&goto=newpost

California Near Space Project launched a high altitude amateur radio
balloon (callsign K6RPT-12) late Sunday afternoon (Dec 2) from San Jose,
CA. As of about Monday 1630Z (8:30 pm PST) it was flying over Chicago, IL
about 110,000 feet moving at 200 mph. This flight by Ron Meadows and others
of CNSP is another long distance floater.

Follow this flight at http://aprs.fi/#!mt=roadmap&z=11&cal...merange=604800

For more on CNSP, see http://www.californianearspaceproject.com/

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High Altitude Balloon Launch - Wednesday Dec 5 (APRS and 1.2 GHz Video Feed)

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 06:38 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370627-High-Altitude-Balloon-Launch-Wednesday-Dec-5-(
APRS-and-1-2-GHz-Video-Feed)&goto=newpost

"Fire Hawk" is the name of the Lebanon Christian School's High Altitude
Balloon Experiment (Third year in a row) that will launch this Wednesday
December 5. It will be launched from just north of Cincinnati, OH. Launch
info is being updated at our Facebook page (search in Facebook for "Fire
Hawk Balloon" and like us). We will be transmitting location via APRS and a
live 1.2 GHz video transmitter will be streaming on the website below:

[COLOR=rgb(0, 0, 0)]Primary Tracking Website:

http://aprs.fi/#!call=ka8huz-5

Streaming Video Website:

http://www.batc.tv/streams/FireHawk

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Any reception reports from either the APRS beacon or video transmitter are
welcome, send to ftr300@yahoo.com.

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Tom KA8HUZ

2472. BEST HOT VIDEO WATCH HERE MODLES HOT PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-04 01:45:42 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <114a3b44-7600-40a2-a6a8-eac2080c5f94@uk1g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1389

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http://atwoztopic.blogspot.in/

ALL HOT PHOTOS SUPER SEXY PHOTOS

http://alltoux.blogspot.in/2010/09/hot-lip-kiss-135.html

ALL JOBS SITES FREE SEE

http://jobstwo.blogspot.in/

HOT VIDEOS

http://hotvideotoou.blogspot.in/2011/01/kiss-videos.html

hot lip kiss
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-lip-kiss.html
hot kisses
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hot-kisses.html
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http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

2473. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 3 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-04 03:41:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd865c24faa04cffea337@google.com>
Source record: 1390
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology - Electronic Design
(blog)

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 10:16 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFqUkaRzlqWOmwoHByZFLb-AOgHLA&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/ham-radio-robotics-luring-kids-technology-74714

Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology
Electronic Design (blog)
Brian told me that he had been a FIRST volunteer for years, that he was extremely positive about the program and that he had written an article for the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Website, “The Ham Radio Spirit Lives — in Robots?,”. Then he ...

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New Hams earn Amateur Radio Licenses - The Delta Discovery

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 03:19 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF3hsBpyQfIrJnKZkK0vgNJAKdL7g&url=http://www.deltadiscovery.com/story/2012/11/28/delta-news-briefs/new-hams-earn-amateur-radio-licenses/658.html

New Hams earn Amateur Radio Licenses
The Delta Discovery
Seven folks took the Federal Communications (FCC) Element 2 Technicians Class Amateur Radio License workshop. This workshop was sponsored by the Bethel Amateur Radio Klub (BARK) and KuCs Department of Continuing Education. From left are ...
Singing the praises of unsung heroesUrgent Communications (blog)

all 2 news articles

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IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 12:56 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGErWOMPt-k3J-qav5zaZTXA3JGqw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/iota/2012/darc/december_01.htm

IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Ham Radio vs Robotics for luring kids into technology Video - Satellite powered by your smartphone VoIP Hurricane Prep Net and CANWARN Weather Radio Listeners Net combined InnovAntennas and the UK Six Metre Group sponsors Z81D ...

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Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning - Ridgecrest Daily Independent

Posted: 24 Nov 2012 01:54 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF8h9bZeztxBPzyo3lcVuJuRf9UrQ&url=http://www.ridgecrestca.com/article/20121124/NEWS/121129925

Planning to consider Ham Radio amendment to zoning
Ridgecrest Daily Independent
The amendment request, should it be approved by the city council at a later date, could permit “amateur ham radio antennas and windmill towers in excess of 35 feet to be erected subject to a Conditional Use permit,” according to a city staff report.

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GW4DGU launches new Amateur Radio microwave system component website - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 12:29 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE1FC-Z3jtnsDlXZVod2yQHMn5sng&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/gw4dgu_launches_new_amateur_radio_microwave_system_component_website.htm

GW4DGU launches new Amateur Radio microwave system component website
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Recently he has decided to make system components for the Amateur Radio microwave bands, using the wide experience he has acquired to incorporate contemporary technology. These units can be assembled to make complete units such as transverters.

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South Eastern Amateur Radio Group - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 11:11 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGg633AQXAA9I_SndFNEXN3GfwMJQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/south_eastern_amateur_radio_group.htm

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
South Eastern Amateur Radio Group. The South Eastern Amateur Radio Groups Christmas get together takes place on Friday the 7th of December in Kilkenny city. The general plan is to meet in Langtons Bar, 67 John Street, Kilkenny around 7:30 to 8:00 p.m ...

2474. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 4 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-04 11:23:07 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93a14b5a7427304d00516a2@google.com>
Source record: 1391
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Hams provide emergency communications

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-OuHLSdYZEI/hams_provide_emergency_communications.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Typhoon Bopha (local name Pablo) has hit the Philippines uprooting trees, downing power lines, sparking landslides and making 40,000 people head for shelters

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Californian 144.390 FM APRS balloon heading for British Isles

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r7fpmXFqhY4/californian_144_390_fm_aprs_balloon_heading_for_british_isles.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A ham radio balloon launched by the California Near Space Project team is crossing the Atlantic heading for the British Isles

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2013 Southeastern VHF Society Conference

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/e4ujBZ58cI0/2013_southeastern_vhf_society_conference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2013 Southeastern VHF Society Conference, sponsored by the Florida Weak Signal Society, will be held April 19 and 20, 2013 at the Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront, 1550 N. Atlantic Ave, Cocoa Beach, FL.

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2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v48GfhmTPOk/2012_mtn_amateur_radio_of_the_year_awards.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At a gala lunch held on Wednesday last week, the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust presented the 2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards

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9M6DXX at the seaside

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pU7Ewa_b1yA/9m6dxx_at_the_seaside.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Disappointed with the current poor conditions and high noise level at his
home QTH, Steve, 9M6DXX has booked two night's stay at a seaside hotel
where he's able to put up vertical antennas by the sea

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German amateur radio group in Namibia

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fV7sIyoiCSc/german_amateur_radio_group_in_namibia.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A group of German amateur radio operators will be active as V5/homecall
starting early December and with some operators being active until the
first weeks of 2013

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Wyong Field Day - Mini Contest University open for registrations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OYLzkg1XNs4/wyong_field_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Registration to attend the (free) Mini Contest University at the Wyong
field day in February 2013 is now open

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Only four weeks to the start of the RSGB Centenary

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/b6F3scDrHAI/start_of_the_rsgb_centenary.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With only four weeks to go to the start of the RSGB Centenary activities,
the RSGB website has details of how you can get involved

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N4D ARRL PR State Convention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nsiJ8pVM_Rg/n4d_arrl_pr_state_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention operate N4D during January 11 to 25, 2013
to commemorate the first ARRL Convention in Puerto Rico Island

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Hudson Valley Satcom Nets for December

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rxqBKYd-AL8/hudson_valley_satcom_nets_for_december.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next Hudson Valley Satcom Net dates are Thursday, December 6 and
Thursday, December 20 at 8 PM EST (UTC-5) on the 146.97 MHz MBARC Repeater
(PL 100)

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Handheld HF transceiver system

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/sNm88qTMbkQ/handheld_hf_transceiver_system.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Alex PY1AHD has released a video showing his handheld HF system

2475. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 4 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-04 17:22:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e813f6d0004d00a1b9c@google.com>
Source record: 1392
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Hams provide emergency communications

Posted: 04 Dec 2012 02:03 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370739-Hams-provide-emergency-communications&goto=newpost

Hams provide emergency communications

Typhoon Bopha (local name Pablo) has hit the Philippines uprooting trees, downing power lines, sparking landslides and making 40,000 people head for shelters.

It was the strongest of about 20 typhoons to affect the country this year with its heavy rain and wind gusting up to 210km/h as it came ashore at Mindanao.

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA) had its ham emergency radio operations (HERO) working when the typhoon struck the southern Philippines.

PARA is using all available means of communication like HF radio (7.095 MHz) VHF radio (144.740 MHz), the internet and social media (Facebook, email, echolink) to monitor the situation and give updates to all concerned.

Ham emergency radio operators have been assisting in the communication needs of these cities (as reported by DW5JMJ, DU5AOK and DU8BGA).

RADNET 5, a local club of amateur radio operators in Tacloban City, is very active in helping provide the city with vital communications link.

It is in constant coordination with the City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (CDRRMC). So far, 5,700 families have been evacuated from Saint Bernard.

RADNET 5 is also assisting the Red Cross in Tacloban and Saint Bernard. The City Government of Tacloban City has used the Tacloban Convention Centre as one of its evacuation centres.

The casualties have been minimal, due to preparations, the cooperation of evacuees and the mammoth response and recovery efforts.

JJim Linton VK3PC

Chair of the IARU Region 3, Disaster Communications Committee, with

Eddie Valdez DU1EV

PARA Chief Operating Officer

Don't wait all week for the news!

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2476. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 4 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-04 17:47:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404c1adc2e304d00a7481@google.com>
Source record: 1393
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Hornet ARC to conduct Remember Pearl Harbor Day event

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 09:32 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370731-Hornet-ARC-to-conduct-Remember-Pearl-Harbor-Day-event&goto=newpost

On Friday, 12/7/2012, station NB6GC in the USS Hornet Aircraft Carrier Museum will be on the air for contacts to remember the attack on Pearl Harbor, HI, on December 7, 1941. USS Hornet (CVS-12) is a WWII Aircraft Carrier launched in 1942 but our namesake was USS Hornet (CV-8) which was in the Pacific near Hawaii on Dec. 7, 1941. NB6GC operates from a compartment just below the flight deck of CVS-12 and uses several of the ship's original transmitting antennas.

Operations will use SSB and PSK-31 on the HF bands from 1100 PST to 1700 PST. Frequencies (MHZ) will be 7.212, 14.312, 21.312, and 28.312.

QRZ? from KO6NO.

2477. eHam.net News for Tuesday 4 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-04 23:17:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93403c931040704d00f109e@google.com>
Source record: 1394
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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RAYNET During Floods and Chill:

Posted: 04 Dec 2012 12:07 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29452

With temperatures expected to fall below freezing in many parts of the United Kingdom, it brings even more worry to residents in the flooded areas. As recent rain travels through the river systems, taxing bridges and other infrastructure, ice and freezing fog are now the additional hazards. Four people have died since the wet weather struck last week and around 900 people in England and Wales have fled their waterlogged homes. Earlier, the Mid Severn RAYNET (Radio Amateurs' Emergency Network) group members were asked to assist by the Worcestershire County Council County Volunteers Emergency Committee on Sunday November 25th, as a very short notice response for volunteers needed for flood preparation. Due to the then rising waters of the River Severn, the Emergency Planning Officers were concerned about the potential for flooding of adjacent residential properties in parts of Worcester city centre, some which had been constructed after the floods of 2007.

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Ham Radio Operators Recognized by Skywarn:

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 10:40 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29450

(KATV) Amateur radio fans, sometimes called HAM radio operators joined Saturday to celebrate their work with the National Weather Service. Skywarn recognition day honors the volunteers who assist the National Weather Service. The amateur radio operators go out and report any weather conditions that may be serious or severe.

2478. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 4 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-05 03:35:25 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc376c7ac6e04d012abb6@google.com>
Source record: 1395
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators connect with people all over -- even in space - Juneau County Star-Times

Posted: 04 Dec 2012 04:30 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGtBDKF0JH538CpGPidCVOwrNbYyQ&url=http://www.wiscnews.com/juneaucountystartimes/news/local/article_785420ac-3e71-11e2-ae82-001a4bcf887a.html

Ham radio operators connect with people all over -- even in space
Juneau County Star-Times
Amateur radio operators, also called ham radio operators, use radio equipment in two-way communicators with other operators. They use specific radio frequencies assigned for ham radio and have call signs — W9JCJ and KC9LLI are examples — as ...

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ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian Award
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The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs

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Radio World
12/4/2012 12:37 PM. I have a note here that will be of interest to many broadcast engineers past and present. The Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Association 1936 Net invites hams interested in AM to join in or listen in during its annual 1936 Net AM ...

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Singing the praises of unsung heroes
Urgent Communications (blog)
A few members started to build ham radios just for kicks, and this led to the formation of an amateur radio club, Sumner said. He further predicted that more of these DIY clubs likely will be spawned as the reurbanization of America continues ...
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Radio operators throughout North Country participate in test
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Hams ready for big storm - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

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Hams ready for big storm
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA) activated its ham emergency radio operations (HERO) as typhoon Bopha (local name Pablo) approached the southern Philippines. PARA is using all available means of communication like HF radio (7.095 ...

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

You don't have to be a General or higher to take advantage of HF
contesting fun this weekend as the ARRL 10 Meter Contest lights up the
band. Technicians (and the few remaining Novices) can participate right
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in the thick of the action. The following weekend is the CW edition of the ARRL Rookie Roundup - pound a little brass and raise your code speed another few notches.

BULLETINS

CQ WW logs were due five days after the contest - earlier than reported in the previous issue!

BUSTED QSOS

Brad AA1IP notes that gentleman who achieved trans-Atlantic DX with a QRPP transmitter <http://aa1tj.blogspot.com/2012/06/vanguard-1-satellite-transmitter.html> was in this instance Michael Rainey, AA1IJ. Also, the video "I Want a Big Tower" was done by KT8K and Phil Gildersleeve's call was W1CJD, not W1ICD. I can't wait to see my log checking report for CQ WW CW.

CONTEST SUMMARY

Complete information <file:///C:/Users/Ward%20Silver/Documents/Editing%20and%20Articles/Contest%20Update/Contest%20Update%20121205.docx#Contests> for all contests follows the Conversation <file:///C:/Users/Ward%20Silver/Documents/Editing%20and%20Articles/Contest%20Update/Contest%20Update%20121205.docx#Conversation> section

December 8-9

- ARRL 10 Meter Contest
- SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW, Digital, (Dec 7)
- 28 MHz SWL Contest
- UBA Winter Contest
- AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW
- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW
- Great Colorado Snowshoe Run--CW

December 15-16

- ARRL Rookie Roundup--CW
- NA High-Speed Meteor Scatter Contest--Digital (Dec 11)
- NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW (Dec 12)
- CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test (Dec 12)
- Russian 160 Meter Contest (Dec 14)
- Feld-Hell Happy Birthday Sprint
- OK DX RTTY Contest
- Croatian CW Contest
- Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint--CW
- Run For the Bacon--CW (Dec 17)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

The VooDoo Contest Group is hanging it up following this year's last spell of operation from EL2A. As Ned AA7A reported, "After 18 years of wandering around in West Africa, the famed VooDoo Contest Group's hardware has been disassembled, parted out and distributed among returning operators, local EL operators and club stations or pounded into raw metal. The VooDoo Contest Group spirit survives and we may mount another operation next year from somewhere, but it will not be in West Africa in proximity to EL and the tired pile of VooDoo hardware." As a long-time fan of the VooDudes, I can only tip my hat in admiration and offer "Well done!" on behalf of the many Contest Update readers who logged many a welcome multiplier from their efforts.

The 2013 Southeastern VHF Society Conference will be held on April 19 and 20, 2013 in Cocoa Beach, Florida. Sponsored by the Florida Weak Signal Society <http://www.svhfs.org/>, there will be a full slate of events including a banquet, tours, antenna and noise figure testing, along with a flea market. There will be vendor displays and technical presentations both days. (Thanks, AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-337)

Now is the time to get prepared for the new categories in ARRL VHF+ contests discussed in the previous issue: FM-Only and 3-Band. Aimed at entry-level VHF+ contesters, take the opportunity to publicize these categories in your local club newsletters, meetings, and online discussions. Folks new to contesting probably won't have contest logging software so you can help them learn about that, too! This is certainly a "teachable moment" so start early - don't miss the opportunity.

It's a good idea to perform a test transmission of your CW messages before the contest gets going - I heard one station sending "CQ SS" at the beginning of the WW CW contest. Maybe "SS" is a cut form of "WW" but I doubt it - I can't say that I've not made similar mistakes though!

Jim K1TN confirms that radio-sport.net has ceased online publication, noting that a final wrapup <http://www.radio-sport.net/radio-sport-net-qrt.htm> by Jamie NS3T has been posted on the site in the past couple of days.

The Potomac Valley Radio Club newsletter <http://pvrc.org/Newsletters/dec12.pdf> for December contains lots of photos of member shacks - some little, some mighty, some SO2R (Single-op, Two Radios). A "virtual open house" is a great idea for your club newsletter, too!

The PhoneSat Cubesat is planned for launch aboard a new commercial rocket from Orbital Sciences Corp around December 17. Phonesat carries an amateur radio payload on 437.425 MHz and has been chosen as one of the winners in the Aerospace category for the Popular Science magazine "Best of What's New 2012 <http://tinyurl.com/PhoneSatNews>" awards. The satellite is built around the Nexus smartphone and will use its 5MP camera for Earth observation, and 3-axis accelerometer and 3-axis

magnetometer for attitude determination. Hey, how's the coverage up there? (Thanks, AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-330)

This is the time of year when many clubs have elections. If you or your club is looking for guidance as to how to run an election, Robert's Rules of Order for Elections <http://westsidetoastmasters.com/resources/roberts_rules/chap12.html> is available online. Robert's Rules can seem a little formal but they do help a group conduct business in an orderly manner.

"Gee whiz," says the 3830 data master aggregator Dink, N7WA, "Less than 24 hours (after CQ WW CW - Ed.) and already more than 480K of soapbox comments <http://www.eskimo.com/~mwdink/3830/>!"

Web Site of the Week - From the latest West Mountain Radio <http://www.westmountainradio.com/> newsletter comes word Joe K1JT has released a new version of WSJT called WSJTX <http://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/wsjt.html> that includes a new mode called JT9 primarily designed for LF/MF. It is similar to JT65 but with a much reduced bandwidth. The mode is being used on the 30 meter band at 10.130 USB.

WORD TO THE WISE

Comfort - In the ergonomics department, Kirk K4RO reports that the best new accessory in his station during CQ WW CW was a big exercise ball. Using it as a chair at times stretched muscles and provided "huge relief to lower back and legs." Your editor also enjoyed the results of a new dual-firmness chair pad from Relaxobak <http://www.relaxobak.com/>, recommended by Rick K6VVA.

The photo at right shows how Bud W2RU operates standing up with a small stool providing the necessary "lift" to his keyboard. After relating the suggestion of compression socks, I heard from fellow Contest Update reader and contester, Steve N8WL whose Activskin <http://www.activskin.com/> product line includes full-support hosiery designed for comfort while being worn for long periods. Attention to comfort keeps the operator healthy, happy, and most importantly - on the air and making points!

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Last month, W8NN and K8UT delivered a presentation to the SouthEast Michigan DX Association (SEMDXA) titled "Using the RBN as an Antenna Performance Tool <http://www.k8ut.com/tiki-list_file_gallery.php?galleryId=2>." Among the topics is a description of the testing protocol, which the testers found required strict compliance to permit valid comparison of antenna A to antenna B to antenna C. (Thanks, Larry K8UT)

Rick ZL2HAM just released a very nice short video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n4K2KvlDJ5I> showing propagation during the CQ WW CW between ZL and the rest of the world. Reception is

displayed on an az-el map as reported by the Reverse Beacon Network (RBN). This clearly shows how propagation changes with the Sun's position, gray line, and other factors. (Thanks, Tom K1KI)

The Van Allen Probes Mission, part of NASA's Living With a Star program, studies the physical dynamics of Earth's radiation belts and space weather. A video of this mission, including classroom activities about space weather has been released by the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory. (Thanks, AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-330 and Bill, W3XO)

Fred K3ZO sent along a link to this video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mpylc8EjKaU> taken during the SEANET convention, illustrating what a great institution ham radio is in furthering international understanding and brotherhood. You might even understand why someone would pass up a major contest in order to attend.

Just at the end of the CQ WW CW contest, your editor was watching the logging software's Gray Line window. At 0000Z as the Sun hit the western boundary of the map, a quirk of the program turned the whole map to night for one minute. How appropriate!

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

Raw scores for CQWW CW 2012 are now available. These scores were calculated by the log checking software before any cross checking is performed. Final scores will show changes between 2-20% depending on the accuracy of the operator. Please check that your entry is in the correct category and report <questions@cqww.com> any errors or questions. (Thanks, CQ WW DX Contest Director Randy K5ZD)

The good news is that last year's ARRL 10 Meter Contest attracted a record number of participants and there are snazzy new certificates, too. The bad news is that load will make the certificates be a little late this year - the ARRL Contest Branch is working hard, though, and will have them in the mail soon. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

Results of the 2012 Texas QSO Party are now available on the TQP website <http://www.txqp.net/>. Plaques for the winners are anticipated to be mailed starting in January. A special thanks is extended to the Texas stations who combined to activate 250 of the 254 counties! (Thanks, Chuck NO5W and Keith NM5G, TQP Coordinators)

Raw scores have been published for this year's WAE DX RTTY <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/waedc/resultate/rtty/> contest held in November. (Thanks, Mike WU9D)

Tack JE1CKA reports that the Japan International DX Contest committee has uploaded the JIDX 2012 CW results. <http://jidx.org/2012cw.html> JIDX Phone logs are still being accepted - check the Logs Received list <http://jidx.org/2012ph-cate.html> to be sure yours has been accepted.

>From Doug K1DG, "I *think* these are still the highest country totals worked during a contest on one band. On SSB: K3LR 192 (20 meters) and PJ4B 190 (15 meters) both in the 1999 contest." If anybody else has documented higher totals, please let the editor know about it!

OPERATING TIP

Don't confuse other participants by transmitting information in an unexpected order or at an unexpected point during the contact. For example, send your Sweepstakes information in the same order described by the rules: number, precedence, call sign, check, and section. Remember that "thanks" is most often used to conclude a contact and is usually interpreted as "QRZ?" Sent too early, TU cues callers to begin calling while you are still in the middle of a contact - this gets the whole pileup out of sync and slows everything down. To maintain rhythm and rate, don't confuse your customers!

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

C-shaped screw-in electric fence insulators
<http://www.amazon.com/Fi-Shock-SC-275-Black-Insulator-25-Per/dp/B000IK0ML4/ref=sr_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1353632067&sr=8-2&keywords=electric+fence+insulator>
make neat and cheap insulator for Beverage antennas. The ends of the C overlap so the wire can be slipped into the insulator then held with a 90-degree rotation of the screw. The wire is then free to slide in the insulator. Most any farm or horse supply store should have them. (Thanks, Grant KZ1W)

Arne N7KA recommends this explanatory website
<http://www.thomasnet.com/articles/machinery-tools-supplies/bearing-types>
for clearing up the mystery of bearing types.

A downloadable collection of RF calculations
<https://sites.google.com/site/g0ftdradio/home/rf-spreadsheets> made by Andy G0FTD has been made available in a spreadsheet. (Thanks, AMSAT <http://amsat.org/> Bulletin ANS-330)

For up to the minute propagation information, Thomas NZ4O has created his MF/HF/6M Radio Wave Propagation Subscription Service <http://www.solarcycle24.org/>. The $30.00 per year subscription is for daily MF/HF/6M radio wave propagation forecasts similarly to the emailed DX bulletins.

For Yagi designers, a trio of programs are available to help you with the mechanical design of the elements for survivability under wind and ice loading. YagiStress <http://k7nv.com/yagistress/> by Kurt K7NV is perhaps the best-known of the three. Bob K0RC has converted the W6QHS (now W6NL) Lotus element taper spreadsheet to Excel 2003 XLS format <http://tinyurl.com/d7m3pxn>. The spreadsheet has some new worksheets from the original and Bob's Revision 3 of an SWR charting tool is also available. Steve W3AHL recommends the $39 DX Engineering design tool, Yagi Mechanical <http://www.dxengineering.com/parts/dxe-sof-yagimech>. Once an antenna has been designed with a constant element diameter using EZNEC <http://www.eznec.com/> or similar modeling tools, these

mechanical design tools can be used to change the element taper schedule to achieve the required mechanical properties while keeping the element resonant at the right frequency.

To prevent vibration from loosening the bolts holding a rotator to the tower mounting plate, Jim K0XU first installs a stud, held with Loctite thread locking compound <http://useloctite.com/threadsealing.html?gclid=CMzNxbCBgbQCFQRnOgodViYAXA> and a jam nut. The protruding studs also make it easier to align the rotator with the holes in the rotator plate. A jam nut is also added to the nut below the plate. Even if the nuts come off, the rotator still can't move.

Technical Web Site of the Week - The December issue of the Packrat VHF "Cheese Bits <http://www.packratvhf.com/Cheese%20Bits/cheesebits.html>" newsletter contained a detailed article about the use of multiple band scopes for VHF+ contesting. "What's All This Multiple Bandscope Stuff, Anyhow?" By Roger W3SZ is a good example of how to make good use of this new tool for contesters.

==> CONVERSATION

A Cooperative Venture

Big contests like CQ World Wide really test our ability to coexist in our limited amount of spectrum. As I've observed before in this column, radiosport is one of the rare competitions requiring the contestants to cooperate with each to score points. No cooperation, no points. The increased activity of late requires particularly intense cooperation.

Of course, what constitutes effective and appropriate cooperation differs between competitors. There are a wide range of strategies varying from casual search-and-pounce to all-out 48-hour scouring of the bands for contacts. As a result, there are no one-size-fits-all "best" practices. Nevertheless, there are basic requirements everyone must satisfy: call signs and the exchange information must be transmitted and received so that both stations can submit a log containing the correct information.

That's an odd way of describing the requirement: ...so that both stations can submit a log containing the correct information. Note that I didn't say, must be transmitted and received correctly. What's the difference? The second, more conventional statement implies the information has been exchanged in real-time. The first only requires that the information be recorded correctly in a log and that is all that the sponsors examine; the log.

Also unlike most other sports, radiosport scoring is based on the contents of a written record after the competition is finished. As such, it really doesn't matter how the information makes its way from one station to the other as long as the methods comply with the requirements of one's entry category. That makes it possible to not even transmit some aspect of the information, such as call signs, if

one assumes that it is known either from previous contacts or over some other channel, such as spotting networks.

The debate about sending one's call has been going on for at least thirty years. The top-scoring, most experienced operators endorse the technique of not sending their calls during every contact as one method (among many) of controlling pileup size. (Note that I am referring here to DX stations and not getting into issues of satisfying FCC rules about identification.) As long as the pileup inhabitants don't have to wait "too long" (whatever that means) and the DX station is good at pulling complete calls out of the pile and behaving consistently from contact to contact, rate for both the caller and callee are maximized.

It is easy for this to break down, of course. The most common reason for chaos is poor cooperation by the callers, such as not listening and calling out of turn or getting out of sync. The bigger the pileup, the more likely these will occur, leading to a large mess best described as a "snarl" or "swarm". If you've ever been on the DX end of a big pileup, you know how hard it can be to maintain rate when the callers won't use good calling technique. Another cause for pileups to break down in disorder is when the DX station behaves erratically; such as changing the response from contact to contact or not being able to pull out full calls with lots of back-and-forth to confirm information, to name just a couple of reasons. It is much, much easier for a station in the pileup to maintain discipline if the station running the pileup is consistent and gives clear signals as to what to do.

So there is a bargain to be made: The callers are expected to listen, not call out of turn, and give their full calls while the DX station is expected to establish a consistent and effective pattern of operating to which the callers respond. Part of that effectiveness is identifying one's call. Too many stations were heard during the CQ WW CW contest not giving their call signs for excessive periods - minutes at a time in some cases. This violates the bargain that underlies cooperation, especially from the perspective of the callers who are giving up extra time for no additional benefit to them.

Is it the assumption that callers are getting the correct call sign from the spotting networks? Consider that from the final CQ WW Claimed Scores <http://www.cqww.com/claimed.htm?mode=cw>, there were 2604 Single-Op, All Band logs (all three power categories) and 1735 Single-Op, Assisted logs. Assuming that single-band logs were submitted in about the same ratio, 60 percent of the callers were not connected to the spotting networks. Thus, if a station is not sending a call, more than half of the stations available to the pileup have no idea who the station is! They have to either sit there and wait for a call sign to be sent - which costs them QSOs - or they have to tune away from that pileup and come back later which is a risk that they will miss out on a contact.

It also means a lot of them are guessing the call - so they are either making a duplicate contact or putting the wrong call in their logs. Not

just logging a busted call for which they would get the penalty but probably logging the call of a different active station they think they are calling which causes the DX station to get a NIL (not in log) penalty, as well! This is not a good tradeoff and a good reason to limit the practice of sending call signs infrequently.

Note that I am not opposed to giving your call "every few QSOs" as a matter of practice or kicking it into high gear and working a half-dozen stations in a quick burst without giving your call. This is a long-established and successful method of controlling pileup size and keeping the rate up for everybody. What I am opposed to is a station going ten or twenty QSOs (or more) on a regular basis before identifying. It wastes the time of the callers and leads to unnecessary log checking penalties. It is bad practice and poor cooperation.

Should there be a rule requiring sending a call every X contacts? Well no, but I think there should be clearly-expressed expectation that stations running pileups should avoid long periods of not giving their call signs. A rule is too inflexible and who is going to enforce it, realistically? I am as frustrated as anybody else but I eventually must agree that we can't fix this particular problem through more rules. It can be addressed through education and by pointing out good technique. For example, in the CQ WW CW PJ2T, ED9Z, PJ4A, PJ4D, CW5W, EL2A, YN2CC, NH2T, HK1NA, 8P5A, LT1F, ZD8W, and the big KH6 and 7 stations - among others - all made lots and lots of QSOs while signing quite frequently. Not every time and I am not saying they were all on best behavior from beginning to end...but certainly enough to keep order and not raise blood pressures around the world unnecessarily. Good job - thank you!

Scores and participation have been increasing over the past years. Pileups are getting really, really big. The contests and the band openings aren't getting any longer. This puts more pressure on us to behave well during the contest. We need to focus on cooperating with each other - on both ends of the pileup. Callers and callees both need to maintain a disciplined approach to pileups that does not disproportionately require either group to waste time, forego contacts, or risk higher log checking penalties. It's called cooperation and we all benefit from it.

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

5 December through 18 December 2012

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

ARRL 10 Meter Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 8, 0000Z to Dec 9, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: RS(T) and State/Prov or serial. Logs due: Jan 9. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

ARRL Rookie Roundup--CW, from Dec 16, 1800Z to Dec 16, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Both calls, name, check, S/P/XE or "DX". Logs due: See web. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/contests>

SNS and NS Weekly Sprints--CW,Digital from Dec 7, 0200Z to Dec 7, 0300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-14. Weekly on Thursday evenings local time. Exchange: Serial, name, and S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

28 MHz SWL Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 8, 0000Z to Dec 9, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 28. Exchange: Log ARRL 10 Meter Contest QSOs. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://swl.veron.nl/swlcontest.htm>

UBA Winter Contest--Phone,CW,Digital, from Dec 8, 1700Z to Dec 9, 2100Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 1.8-7. Exchange: RS(T) and UBA section or serial. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules>

AWA Bruce Kelly QSO Party--CW, from Dec 8, 2300Z to Dec 9, 2300Z. Multiple operating periods. Bands (MHz): 3.5,7. Exchange: RST, Xmtr type, power, name. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.antiquewireless.org/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon--CW, from Dec 9, 0000Z to Dec 9, 2359Z. Monthly beginning on the second Saturday local time. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

Great Colorado Snowshoe Run--CW, from Dec 9, 2100Z to Dec 9, 2259Z. Bands (MHz): 14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, class, CQC number or power. Logs due: 30 days. Rules <http://www.cqc.org/contests>

NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint--CW, from Dec 12, 0130Z to Dec 12, 0330Z. Monthly on 2nd Tuesday or 3rd Wednesday local time (alternating). Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <file:///C:/Users/Ward%20Silver/Documents/Editing%20and%20Articles/Contest%20Update/Rules%20http:/naqcc.info>

CWops Monthly Mini-CWT Test--CW, from Dec 12, 1300Z to Dec 13, 0400Z. Multiple operating periods, twice monthly on 2nd and 4th Wed. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Frequencies (MHz): 18 to 28 kHz above band edge. Exchange: Name and member number or S/P/C. Logs due: 2 days. Rules <http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

Russian 160 Meter Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 13, 2100Z to Dec 13, 2300Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8. Exchange: RS(T), serial, square ID (see website). Logs due: Jan 20. Rules <http://www.radio.ru/cq>

Feld-Hell Happy Birthday Sprint--Digital, from Dec 15, 0000Z to Dec 15, 2400Z. Monthly on 3rd Saturday. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST,

S/P/C, Feld-Hell member nr. Logs due: 7 days. Rules
<http://www.feldhellclub.org/>

OK DX RTTY Contest--Digital, from Dec 15, 0000Z to Dec 16, 2400Z. Bands
(MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: RST and CQ Zone. Logs due: Jan 15. Rules
<http://www.crk.cz/ENG/DXCONTE.HTM>

Croatian CW Contest--CW, from Dec 15, 1400Z to Dec 16, 1400Z. Bands
(MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST and serial. Logs due: 30 days. Rules
<http://www.9acw.org/>

Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint--CW, from Dec 16, 2000Z to Dec 16,
2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, ARCI number or Power.
Logs due: 14 days. Rules <http://www.qrparci.org/contests>

Run For the Bacon--CW, from Dec 17, 0200Z to Dec 17, 0400Z. Monthly on
3rd Sunday night (local). Bands (MHz): 1.8-28. Exchange: RST, S/P/C,
Flying Pig nr or power. Rules <http://www.fpqrp.org/>

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NA High-Speed Meteor Scatter Contest--Digital, from Dec 11, 0000Z to
Dec 17, 0200Z. Bands (MHz): 50-222. Exchange: Both calls, grid square,
acknowledgement. Logs due: Jan 15. Rules
<http://www.meteorscatter.org/>

==> LOG DUE DATES

5 December through 18 December 2012

- December 6 - ARS Spartan Sprint <http://www.arsqrp.blogspot.com/>
- December 6 - RSGB 80m Club Sprint, CW
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rsprint.shtml>
- December 6 - QRP Fox Hunt
<http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm>
- December 8 - Wake-Up! QRP Sprint
<http://qrp.ru/contest/wakeup/333-wakeup-eng>
- December 8 - QRP Fox Hunt
<http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm>
- December 9 - SARL Digital Contest
<http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2012_Contest_Manual_issue_10.pdf>
- December 9 - NCCC Sprint <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>
- December 10 - JIDX Phone Contest
<http://www.jidx.org/jidxrule-e.html>
- December 13 - QRP ARCI Topband Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8400/118/>
- December 15 - Ten-Meter RTTY Contest
<http://www.rttycontesting.com/tenmeterrttycontest/rules.html>
- December 17 - QRP ARCI Topband Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/5267/118/>
- December 17 - CQ SA SSB Contest
<http://brcontest.com/resultado/cqsa/2012/cqsa_ssb_us-en2012.pdf>
- December 18 - LZ DX Contest <http://lzdx.bfra.org/rulesen.html>

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2480. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 5 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-05 11:07:52 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93b577afc306c04d018fdd4@google.com>
Source record: 1397
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ZL9HR DXpedition to Campbell Island operational

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rhN2lfdcABs/zl9hr_dxpedition_to_campbel
l_island_operational.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following two days delay caused by 11 metre swells in the Great Southern
Ocean, the team arrived on Campbell Island on Saturday the 1st. of December
and were operational using minimum equipment by 05:00 UTC. The following
day the full range of masts and antennas were installed and stronger
signals off the island were heard worldwide

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Californian 144.390 FM APRS balloon update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wx5uNnkQUU0/californian_aprs_balloon_up
date.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio stations from the UK to the Azores have been listening for
the transatlantic balloon K6RPT-12 on 144.390 MHz FM

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FreeDV Ham Radio digital voice software

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/B3JDDA2hYJM/freedv_ham_radio_digital_vo
ice_software.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

FreeDV is an application for Windows and Linux that allows any HF SSB radio
to be used for digital voice mode with a bandwidth of just 1.1 kHz

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Australian Radio Ham's spacecraft missions

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/43XjrqjnY9w/australian_radio_hams_space
craft_missions.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Inner West Courier reports that Robert Brand VK2URB is hoping to break
new ground with two space missions he is part of

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Chelmsford Talk - Selling Amateur Radio Equipment on E-Bay

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jeheDE18hYI/selling_amateur_radio_equipment_on_ebay.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, December 7, Belinda Sanderson will be talking to the Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society about selling amateur radio equipment on E-Bay

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Kingdom of Cambodia DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Bo83XDG_kAg/kingdom_of_cambodia_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the 'Foundation for Global Children' (FGC) will be on another DXpedition to the 'Kingdom of Cambodia' (XU) to support a vocational training center for persons with disabilities, especially tragic landmine victims

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Burkina Faso DXpedition update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JwHm6v2857A/burkina_faso_dxpedition_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Members of the 'Italian DXpedition Team', who announced last week that their next DXpedition would be to Burkina Faso between February and March 2013 (dates are approx.), reported that they received the callsign XT1T

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South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ucR3sFm5dYg/south_dublin_radio_club_christmas_party.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This year's South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday the 11th of December

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Ham Radio on talk radio broadcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/F8HuHvoISjE/ham_radio_on_talk_radio_broadcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Genesis Communications Network talk radio host Josh Tolley recently broadcast about the importance of amateur radio

2481. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 5 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-05 17:09:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044631b677d07204d01e099f@google.com>
Source record: 1398
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Josh Tolley Radio Show promoting Amateur Radio!

Posted: 04 Dec 2012 10:23 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370771-Josh-Tolley-Radio-Show-promoting-Amateur-Radio!&goto=newpost

Josh Tolley Radio Show promoting Amateur Radio!

The Josh Tolley Show has listeners from coast to coast and around the world broadcasting from traditional stations with a combined market size of over 5 million people as well as streaming, podcasting, and smart phone apps from both GCN Radio Networks and Stitcher Broadcasting.

Having begun broadcasting July 4th, 2011 and being syndicated by GCN Radio Networks as of July 11th, The Josh Tolley Show has become one of the fastest growing shows on the air today.

Check this out!

http://youtu.be/vAL_7gh9hbU

I just posted a reply to the video.

-Dave, KB3FXI

paNBEMS

2482. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 49 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-05 17:25:46 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121205172519.244A59B80183@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1399
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MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 49 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-12-05
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: E5 ; Cook Island ; Square: BH01 ; start 2012-11-25

Holiday style Dxpedition from BH01CC and BH01DC (will be two locations)
EME WSJT: 2m 1KW.

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2013-03-01

DL0AT qrv from JO44HI

Aktivate the Lighthouse Westerhever with big power on the top on the lighthouse.
2x7 ele es 2x 9 ele with 2x 750 watts. FED: 260; LH 0063

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5W ; Samoa ; Square: AH36 ; start 2013-04-04

A German team will activate Samoa, IOTA OC-097
from Le Lagoto on Savaii in the northern part of the island - grid AH36TN.
Our well know 2m EME station Joe DL9MS will operate 2m EME.

Source: http://5w0m.hkmann.de/?Home

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2013-10-25

Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate Crete in Oktober 2013 on 2m EME.Call sign will
be SV9ANJ.Rig is as always TS2000, 2 x 9 ele M2 and BeKo SSPA with sufficient output power.
Location will Pelamare Apartments in Kokkini Hani, 13 kilometres East of Iraklion,
in the North of Crete. Website http://pelamare.webs.com/. Locator is KM25PH
We are very grateful for Pelamare Apts owner Manos SV9ANJ for supporting this DXpedition!

SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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2483. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 5 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-05 17:28:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f3ba5cbccd30c04d01e4e98@google.com>
Source record: 1400
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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XV0VR Vietnam

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 07:35 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370882-XV0VR-Vietnam&goto=newpost

DD0VR and DE3BWR will be active from Vietnam 12 December 2012 - 4 January 2013 as XV0VR

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...sland_vietnam/

73 Al 4L5AA

2484. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 5 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-05 19:10:23 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ /m ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <k9o675$2lp$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1251
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> Following two days delay caused by 11 metre swells in the Great Southern
> Ocean,

bloody CBrs get everywhere .....

2485. eHam.net News for Wednesday 5 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-05 23:09:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec50fe2df8220db04d02312b3@google.com>
Source record: 1252
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Costa Mesa Pupils to Talk to Astronaut on Space Station:

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 01:15 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29457

COSTA MESA -- Students at Kline School have been invited to talk to Cmdr. Kevin Ford aboard the International Space Station on Thursday through a NASA education event. The event, ARISS, is a cooperative venture of NASA, the American Radio Relay League, the Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation and other amateur radio groups and space agencies. "The 'telebridge' communication with the space station is being done as the ship flies over Italy and a ham radio operator relays a two-way communication through the telephone," said Sean Butler, technology coordinator and science teacher at Kline School. "There are three crew members currently living on the ISS," he said. Susan Kline, founder and director of the school, said the school has four cameras set up for video capture, and one for live streaming. This communication echoes a similar contact Kline School had on July 15 and July 19, 1994, when space enthusiasts were celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing. This ARISS contact commemorates the 40th anniversary of the launch of the last lunar landing - Apollo 17 - on Dec. 7, 1972. In addition to a question-and-answer period with students and the space station crew member, Kline graduates were invited to share how the 1994 radio communication impacted their lives.

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Ham Radio Operators Connect with People All Over -- Even in Space:

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 01:13 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29456

Guests at last month's Juneau County Historical Society open house found themselves connected to the wider world thanks to two amateur radio operators from Mauston. Howard Fischer and Lloyd Vodvarka set up their equipment in the Boorman House's second-floor ballroom during the Nov. 25 event and conversed through Morse code with people far from Wisconsin. The station was set up for other operators to call the operators in Mauston. "People called in on our 'Special Events Boorman House Christmas Program,'" Fischer said. "We had a lot of calls from Arizona, Florida, Kansas, Georgia, Rice Lake, Cleveland, Minnesota and Alberta, Canada," he said A crowd of children clustered around their table as Fischer transmitted and received voice communication through a headset while Vodvarka signaled and tapped replies in Morse code using a telegraph key.

Guests also were able to examine antique equipment, which Fischer called "vintage stuff" and compared with the modern-day headphones. Amateur radio operators, also called ham radio operators, use radio equipment in two-way communicators with other operators. They use specific radio frequencies assigned for ham radio and have call signs -- W9JCJ and KC9LLI are examples -- as identification.

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'Hello? What's Your Call Sign? It's Marshall Calling':

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 01:10 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29455

Redstone Arsenal's Ham Shack is the place to be if you want to talk to lots of different people. But this Ham Shack isn't a socialite's favorite lunch spot or a party lover's nighttime hangout. Rather, it's the place to be if you are into the serious business of amateur "ham" radio. Located in a nondescript cement building surrounded by antennas and isolated from other Arsenal activities just southwest of the Martin Road/Rideout Road intersection, the Ham Shack refers to the Michael Kalange Memorial Station, amateur radio call sign WA4NZD. It is the headquarters of the Marshall Amateur Radio Club.bAlso known as building 4622, the Ham Shack is where technical types from throughout the Arsenal gather on a regular basis to communicate with other amateur radio enthusiasts around the world, experiment with the latest technology in amateur radio, participate in national and worldwide amateur radio contests, and test and maintain their capabilities in case they are called on to provide emergency communications for the Arsenal.

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Sam Rayburn Memorial Special Event:

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 01:17 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29454

On January 4, 2013 at 1400Z until January 5, 2013 at 2300Z, the Fannin County Amateur Radio Club of Bonham, TX will be running a special event station to commerate the longest serving Speaker of the House of Representatives. Sam Rayburn was born in Bonham, TX in the late 1890's

2486. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND ALL ADULT PEOPLE 2011 SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-06 01:17:55 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <874ce75e-43b1-4754-9812-cfbddd8e7ddd@6g2000pbh.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1253

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hollywood hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/hollywood-hot-videos.html
real hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/real-hot-videos.html
tamil hot videos
http://hotvidos.blogspot.in/2010/07/tamil-hot-videos.html

2487. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 5 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-06 03:52:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e838aa3977a04d0270751@google.com>
Source record: 1254
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Steele County Amateur Radio to meet at Hy-Vee - Southernminn.com

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 03:46 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGWgxVqp6WLmFX4X6w9LUhj-b0xdQ&url=http://www.southernminn.com/owatonna_peoples_press/community/article_f350d540-21dd-51f5-83a5-5029d082206e.html

Steele County Amateur Radio to meet at Hy-Vee
Southernminn.com
OWATONNA —The monthly meeting of Owatonna - Steele County Amateur Radio (OSCAR) will be held at 9 a.m. Dec. 8 at the dining room at the Owatonna Hy-Vee. OSCAR membership is involved in many different areas of interest, including emergency ...

and more

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Chelmsford Talk - Selling Amateur Radio Equipment on E-Bay - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 12:55 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE7SXhGBxlWZSegbALvKTFsFO0-AQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/selling_amateur_radio_equipment_on_ebay.htm

Chelmsford Talk - Selling Amateur Radio Equipment on E-Bay
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Also that evening there will be a session on revaliding your Ofcom licence. The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) meeting takes place at the Great Baddow Parish Hall, 19 Maldon Road, Great Baddow, CM2 7DW at 7:30pm Friday, December 7.

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German amateur radio group in Namibia - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 11:46 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFSWk-5ekI7-_Sejf8zLe4sQZ-KXg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/german_amateur_radio_group_in_namibia.htm

German amateur radio group in Namibia
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
A group of German amateur radio operators will be active as V5/homecall starting early December and with some operators being active until the first weeks of 2013. Look for the following stations to be active: V5/DJ2BQ

- Operator Ewald; January 4-18th; ...

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HAM radio reaches out for SKYWARN Recognition Day - Today's THV

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 02:08 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH5uY8EIZGy2sAkNmplYw12EztveA&url=http://www.todaysthv.com/news/article/236871/2/HAM-radio-reaches-out-for-SKYWARN-Recognition-Day

Today's THV
HAM radio reaches out for SKYWARN Recognition Day
Today's THV
... honors for SKYWARN Recognition Day Friday and Saturday, November 30 - December 1, at the North Little Rock NWS office. HAM radio contacted as many other NWS offices to honor the service that amateur radio operators provide during server weather.

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Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 10:16 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFqUkaRzlqWOmwoHByZFLb-AOgHLA&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/ham-radio-robotics-luring-kids-technology-74714

Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology
Electronic Design (blog)
Brian told me that he had been a FIRST volunteer for years, that he was extremely positive about the program and that he had written an article for the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Website, “The Ham Radio Spirit Lives — in Robots?,”. Then he ...

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Volunteer Connection: Amateur radio a key component of disaster preparedness - Journal Times

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Journal Times
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ZL9HR

Following two days delay caused by 11 metre swells in the Great Southern
Ocean, the team arrived on Campbell Island on Saturday the 1st. of December
and were operational using minimum equipment by 05:00 UTC. The following day
the full range of masts and antennas were installed and stronger signals off
the island were heard worldwide.

Unfortunately the stay cannot be extended so the team will be leaving
Campbell Island on Sunday the 9th. of December as planned.

Thanks goes to the New Zealand Department of Conservation as they have now allowed the stations to operate for several hours after sunset where it was expected that all team members would have to return to the ship at sunset.

Logs are being uploaded daily via a satellite phone link but apart from this, communication to the team is very restricted as no cell phone coverage or Internet access is available from the Island. Current log status can be checked to see your contact has been recorded within 24 hours by checking the ZL9HR.COM website. This website also lists the call signs of the various Pilots around the world. Please check their QRZ.COM listings to get their email addresses if you need to contact them.

(Ed VK2JI - Publicity Officer ZL9HR)

Huge Telescope To Warn Of Solar Storms

An eye on the sky in Western Australia's remote outback (VK6) could potentially save the world billions of dollars by warning of cosmic catastrophe, astronomers say.

The Murchison Widefield Array radio telescope just unveiled will give a dramatically improved view of the sun and provide early warning of explosive solar storms that can damage to communication satellites, electric power grids and GPS navigation systems, the International Centre for Radio Astronomy Research in Perth reported.

In addition to its solar observations, the M.W.A. will offer scientists an unprecedented view of the entire history of the Universe, including how the very first stars and galaxies formed.

(press statement)

HOWZAT

FOX Sports will take cricket broadcasting in VK to a new level this summer with a world first - a micro camera in helmets worn by batsmen and wicketkeepers.

The technology is to be officially introduced in the Big Bash Twenty20 tournament.

The equipment consists of an HD visor-mounted camera (1080i) and transmitter with batteries on the rear strap.

The additional weight on the helmet is 250 grams, about the weight of a bar of soap, and can be fitted to any player's helmet during the game.

Fox Sports believes it will be the first camera attached to a player during a cricket match at this level. Last year, the pay-tv network pioneered the use of cameras on umpires.

Adelaide yes and Qantas no, to Wi-Fi

The first Australian capital with free Wi-Fi outdoors will be Adelaide.

The South Australian Government and Adelaide City Council will foot $1.5 million bill to provide it at all public areas, by the end of 2013.

Already a trial of free Wi-Fi is on all Adelaide Metro trams and 20 buses.

Similar public Wi-Fi initiatives are in Prague, Singapore, Chattanooga, Wellington, Auckland, and Luxembourg.

However, our national airline Qantas has dumped internet connectivity on its Airbus A380 superjumbo to Los Angeles and London.

When it started to charge for access, the average take up was less than 5 per cent of passengers, and Qantas felt this did not justify the cost of the technology.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

ACMA finds stolen emergency beacon

The Australian Search and Rescue was recently alerted that an activated emergency position-indicating radio beacon, or EPIRB had been stolen from South Melbourne.

After narrowing down its initial search, they called in the expertise of a field inspector from the Australian Communications Authority.

Using a Yagi directional antenna, he eventually found the errant device hanging from overhead power lines. It was safely retrieved for evidence by members of the Victoria Police.

EPIRBs, linked to satellites when turned on, are used by those who go to sea and venture into remote areas.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

AJ 2013

On the Fraser Coast of Queensland, the showgrounds at the regional and historic city of Maryborough are currently closed. In the town that gave birth to the creator of "Mary Poppins" and played a large part in the building of the railways, including the first Queensland high speed train, the Tilt Train, goods and services are being put in place for the triennial Australian Scouts Jamboree, AJ2013.

11,000 scouts, their leaders and limited support workers will enjoy a range of activities whilst living under canvass. Amongst the amateur radio fraternity and scouts with amateur radio qualifications, the interest level is rising with offers of support coming from far afield interstate. Latest to offer is the Fisher's Ghost Amateur Radio Club who wish to provide amateur radio access to scouts from VK2 area who are not attending the Jamboree.

You will remember that Fishers Ghost AR Club hosted the amateur radio activity at the last Australian Jamboree. Their experiences were publicised in Amateur Radio magazine. On behalf of the members of the Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group, I say "Welcome aboard".

As this item is being prepared, the donated HF Radio from Icom Australia is making its way north from Melbourne.

Of course things always take a few turns and we heard of the storm damage to Albert, VK4POW's antenna and now our local ATV guru looks like he may be kept from the Jamboree because of work commitments.

To the several interstate amateurs who are attending AJ2013 and who have contacted MERG, we thank you and we hope that our combined efforts will bring success for VI4ASJ.

Reporting for WIA National News, I'm Geoff Emery, VK4ZPP on behalf of MERG, Inc.

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK2

A couple of items this week attributed to SouthGate News in the UK relate to VK activity.. Mmmn are the VK's shy about telling their Aussie Mates, slipping it into OS pubs? HiHi

Even though the WIA News seldom get's to hear about our own WIA activity seems it's kosher to file stories on Southgate even about our own AGM rather then send it to ourselves!! Graeme Wilks G8DVJ who is Chairman of Southgate is to be conratulated and at least we manage to find some things out eventually courtesy of SG!

Another story was on on how a University will be involved with the Wyong Field Day, later with Felix that one, and this an Aussie Ham's spacecraft mission.

The Inner West Courier reports that Robert VK2URB is hoping to break new ground with two space missions he is part of.

The Sydney newspaper says VK2URB is involved in the communications system for the Team Stellar lunar mission scheduled for 2014, as part of an entry in the Google Lunar X Prize.

In addition he is working on a UK-based Mars mission, scheduled for 2020, that aims to sniff out biological methane.

Well done Robert!

http://inner-west-courier.whereilive.com.au/news/story/from-sydney-telecommunications-to-navigating-mars-mission/

And thanks to G4

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

Mark VK3PDG is on the ball!

Already he has announced NEXT YEAR'S Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club (SPARC) Rosebud RadioFest 2013'S date as November 24.

A with last week's event, Rosebud RadioFest returns to the Good Old Days of Ham Radio Fests.

Forums, displays, new/pre-loved gear, great prizes & more.

Enquire on 0407844063

John Ross VK3BJR President of SPARC has sent thanks to the sellers who booked tables and successfully sold all manner of gear inside the large auditorium.

Secondly, he thanks the many interested people who attended the event from various parts of Victoria. The crowd exceeded the Club's expectations.

The level of support provided by forum presenters and "Show and Tell" exhibitors also contributed to the success of the event and the excellent catering provided by the Parents and Friends of the school was a great attraction. And lastly the excellent job done by the members of SPARC in planning, setting up and running the RadioFest which drew accolades from most who attended.

Again Rosebud RadioFest 2013'S date is November 24.

VK4 - QNEWS
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TARC Xmas Lights Tour

Get out your Santa Hats, flashy pins and glad rags and get ready for a magical mystery tour of the light fantastic !

The famous TARC Xmas Lights Tour is on again, happening Friday evening December 21.

It's a Drive Yourself Dazzling Spectacular and all mobile shack chariots will need to monitor 146.5MHz during the tour to hear instructions from the guide vehicle.

Embarkation point will be outside the VK4FR DX Complex Rangewood, 7-30pm.

Tour Event Host Gavin would especially like to know if you know of any HAMS putting on a light spectacular so their QTH can be included in the tour.

VK5

Andrew McMichael VK5FMAC has posted on the WIA Bully Board details of WICEN SA's SES SOCU Training & XMas breakup on the 13th.

Tjis will take the form of SAGRN generator deployment training & XMas breakup with SES SOCU.

Full Details :

Please see http://www.sa.wicen.org.au/calendar/calendar.php

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

A little while ago I made a commitment to myself to achieve the DXCC.

Since then I've received a few questions asking what it's all about.

It's an award for the DX Century Club, or said in another way, it's a recognition of making long distance contact with one hundred countries.

This achievement award has a long history. The DXCC was first awarded in 1937. Before then, in 1932 discussions started on how to determine what constitutes a country. For example, are Tasmania and Australia separate or together, what about Scotland and England, or Alaska and the United States. Suffice to say that a definition was arrived at after much discussion and you can read up on it on the ARRL web-site.

In case you're wondering, things change all the time. In 1935 Tasmania and Australia were separate because of geographical division, Scotland and England are two countries and Alaska and the USA are separate also because of geographical division. Most of that is the same today, except that Tasmania is no longer on its own. Countries come and go, Czechoslovakia, Dutch New Guinea and Sumatra have all been deleted over the years, South Sudan with a Z8 prefix is new as of July 14, 2011.

As I started looking into this further, it transpires that there are many versions of the DXCC, specific bands, modes and combinations of both. 2012 represents the Diamond Anniversary of the DXCC and there is a special award for that as well.

I've found that there is a QRP or low power version of the DXCC which fits in nicely with my Foundation License and my own views on the level of power needed to get the job done. So, QRP Portable DXCC is what I'm shooting for.

Now all I need is some spare time to actually turn my radio on.

I still need to learn more about the QSL process, set-up a logging system, get a plan together for finding the best way to get contacts in different areas, learn more about propagation, learn CW and make sure that my home life doesn't suffer while I'm doing this.

As I said the first time around, I don't know if I am going to take a month, a year or a decade to do this, but it's a really nice way for me to focus my attention on a particular aim and has the added benefit of making me an active operator, which ultimately is what this is all about, actually turning on the radio and using it.

How have you gone about developing your skills and motivating yourself?

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

'End of the World' transatlantic balloon attempt.
The South Texas Balloon Launch Team has joined the N 0 D End of the World Special Event and will launch a high altitude 'floater' balloon December 15 with hopes of reaching Europe before the End of the World

Titanic radio signal man inspires new stage show

UK's Western Mail reports that the man who picked up the distress signal from the Titanic over his amateur radio from his garden shed in Pontllanfraith has inspired a new stage drama.

Whispers On The Waves is being staged by Odyssey, the inclusive community drama group from Cardiff-based Hijinx Theatre.

Read the story at
http://www.walesonline.co.uk/showbiz-and-lifestyle/showbiz/2012/12/01/titanic-radio-signal-man-inspires-new-stage-show-91466-32341264/

DANGERS ASSOCIATED WITH REPAIRING YOUR OWN RADIO

A Peoria man was robbed at gunpoint while fixing his radio, police say.

Officers responded last Friday and there, they spoke to the 35 year-old victim and a witness.

The second person said that the victim came to his house after being robbed.

The victim said that he was fixing his car radio when he was approached by three males, one armed with a handgun.

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

MEXICO ZETA DRUG GANG BLAMED FOR KIDNAPPING ENGINEERS

If you are an Information Technology or two-way radio technician and planning a trip to Mexico, you might not carry an H-T on a belt clip where it can be seen. This is because at least one drug gang seems to be kidnapping and enslaving those who know two-way radio to build and keep their private system going. Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, takes a look at the situation south of the border:

According to a report from Mexican news site Animal Politico, at least three dozen engineers and technicians have been kidnapped in the past four years. And Felipe Gonzalez who is the head of Mexico's Senate Security Committee told Animal Politico that none of the engineers who disappeared have ever been found.

Mexican authorities blame the notorious drug running gang the Zeta's for the kidnappings. The Mexican military is trying to dismantle an extensive radio network built and operated by the drug cartel but to date authorities have not had much luck shutting it down. Not only is much of the equipment super-easy to replace, but the drug runners have apparently found some unwilling assistance by kidnapping and enslaving technicians to help build it. Among them is at least one IBM employee and several communications

technicians from a firm owned by Mexico's largest construction company.

Last year the Mexican military found and dismantled one such drug runners radio network spread across north-eastern Mexico that included 167 radio antennas sites. As recently as this past September, Mexican marines found a 295-foot-high transmission tower in Veracruz State.

The bottom line: It seems the drug gangs have discovered that two-way radio is a tool that they will not be without but the Mexican government is doing all it can to take these clandestine operations off the air.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, near Zion, Illinois.

One of the best stories in the English language that explains in depth the safety issue to engineers and technicians in Mexico is on the World Disaster Report website. Its on-line at tinyurl.com/enslaved-technicians.

INCREASING EFFICIENCY OF WIRELESS NETWORKS

Professors at the University of California, Riverside Bourns College of Engineering have apparently developed a way of doubling the efficiency of wireless networks. According to researchers Yingbo Hua and Ping Liang it appears the doubling of efficiency could be achieved by using full-duplex with "time-domain transmit beam forming." They say that the latter digitally creates a time-domain cancellation signal, couples it to the radio frequency front-end to allow the radio to hear much weaker incoming signals while transmitting strong outgoing signals at the same frequency and same time.

Wireless Design says scientists Hua and Liang see applications in cognitive radio. They say that this is a type of wireless communication in which a transceiver can detect which communication channels are in use and which are not, and move into vacant channels while avoiding occupied ones. You can read the Wireless Design Online article at tinyurl.com/highly-efficient-radio.

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RSGB's G4NJH

RAYNET called out for floods

Available members of Mid Severn RAYNET group were tasked by the Worcestershire County Council County Volunteers Emergency Committee, or CVEC, during the afternoon of Sunday 25th November.

This was very short notice for the volunteers. Due to the rising waters of the River Severn, the Emergency Planning

Officers were concerned at the potential for flooding of adjacent residential properties in parts of Worcester city centre, some of which had been constructed after the floods of 2007. Multi agency teams from CVEC were tasked with notifying homeowners of the threat, issuing warnings advice and leaflets, and reporting back to the Social Services details of residents who might be unable to self-help and evacuate, and those who could require rest centre assistance.

Tony, G8WOX, Paul, G6DQM and Max, M0VNG deployed with the teams. The teams completed the task into the early evening and stood down, with residents most appreciative of the efforts made to alert them.

New data mode for Chinese text

If you look at the data modes in use today you may notice that the vast majority can only be used to communicate using the English language alphabet. That presents a real problem for countries such as China where the language requires graphical characters.

This shortcoming is critical when using amateur radio to support emergency and disaster relief operations. To overcome this, the Chinese Radio Amateur Club has devised an ingenious new mode that uses a 16 by 16 dot matrix to send each character. Known as CP-16, the system uses sixteen 17Hz spaced tones that allow the transmitted characters to be displayed by any receiver that uses a waterfall display.

So, if you spot Chinese characters on your waterfall whilst tuning around, you're seeing CP-16 in action.

New name for Luxembourg national radio society

The national amateur radio society of Luxembourg, Reseau Luxembourgeois des Amateurs d'Ondes Courtes, has changed its name to Radioamateurs du Luxembourg.

The address and other details remain unchanged. Please update your records accordingly.

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012

WW ARRL 10 m Contest December 8- 9

Wyong Field Day - Mini Contest University open for registrations for attendees

According to SouthGate News in the UK, our own VK Wyong Field Day Group are calling for registrations to attend a (free) Mini Contest University at the Wyong field day in February 2013.

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

BC.DX. NET CELEBRATES ITS 24th ANNIVERSARY

The weekly 40 meter BC DX Net from South India has celebrated its 24th anniversary. This Net began operation on Sunday, November 27, 1988

The BCDX Net is now held on Sunday morning's at 03:00 UTC on 7.085 MHz Lower Sideband for the advantage of those who are keenly interested in Broadcast Band DXing. According to its operators, the unique thing about this net is that it's helped hams to become SWL DXers, and SWL's to get their amateur licenses.

The current net control station is VU3SIO

(Southgate)

SPECIAL EVENT STATION TM1TARA

On the air, keep an ear open for special event station TM1TARA to be on air between December 8th to the 10th. This to commemorate the scientific voyages of French polar vessel the Tara.

Tara Expeditions has been organizing missions aboard this research schooner for the past 9 years. The goal is to learn more about the impact of so called climate change on the planets ecosystems.

So far Tara has accomplished eight successful expeditions including voyages to Greenland, Antarctica, Patagonia, southern Georgia, and the Arctic.

For this special celebration operations will be conducted by F8DVD and F8IJV from Paris, France during the Tara exhibit. Look for them on 20 through 10 meters on SSB. A special colour QSL card will be printed and will be sent via the Bureau or direct.

QSL with a self-addressed envelope and 2 IRC's - if you can still get them -- to F8DVD.

VK5VF Adelaide 6m, 2m and 70 cm beacons back on air.

Just in time for the VHF DX season, the 6m, 2m, & 70cm beacons have been serviced and put back into operation at Mt Lofty near Adelaide in VK5.

As the VK5 Mt Lofty 6m beacon has been off air for some time, in restoring the operation of the beacon it has also had a frequency change in accordance with the WIA band plans. Part of the rebuild included referencing the 6m and 70cm beacon frequencies to the GPS.

The VK5VF beacon frequencies are,

The new 6m frequency is now 50.320 MHz

The 2m frequency is 144.450 MHz and

The 70cm frequency is 432.450 MHz

So those who are into VK VHF DX, these beacons are again available.

Copy of this information may be found in the text edition on www.wia.org.au

I am Ben, VK5BB for the Amateur Radio Experimenters Group Inc. VK5

INTRUDER WATCH - ENFORCEMENT ZONE

Region III IARUMS Coordinator Peter Young VK3MV

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14.000 to 14.250
14.250 to 14.350 No broadcasters
21.000 to 21.450
24.890 to 24.990
28.000 to 29.700

IARU Region 3 Monitoring System Newsletter

The IARU Region 3 Monitoring System notes an increase in the number of intrusions in the higher frequency bands, particular from Over The Horizon Radars on 15 meters.

In the newsletter Peter Young VK3MV reports:

"Some OTHR emissions into northern Australia are very strong and a report has been filed with the Australian Regulator, seeking information and their removal. With propagation on the improve there are more detection of intrusions on 10 meters from low power commercial like services.

Again this month, further reports of HF Man Pack emissions are being logged, but due to the random nature of these emissions a possible location source is difficult to determine. Further reports are requested to determine a location.

The Burmese broadcast station operating on 7110 kHz, is still operational and has been reported to the Australian Regulator.

See the September newsletter at
http://www.iaru-r3.org/ms/r3ms-2012-09.pdf

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- CW
FISTS Club - East Asia www.feacw.net
FISTS Club - Australasia www.fistsdownunder.org
FISTS Club - UK & Europe www.fists.co.uk
FISTS Club - Americas www.fists.org

ARRL SAYS MORSE CODE PLAYS ROLE IN NEW SPIELBERG MOVIE

Producer Steven Spielberg has used Amateur Radio or Morse code in three of his last four movies: Super 8 (2011), The Adventures of Tin Tin (2011) and Lincoln (2012). Members of the Morse Telegraph Club -- an association of retired railroad and commercial telegraphers,

historians, radio amateurs and others with an interest in the history and traditions of telegraphy and the telegraph industry -- played an integral part in the production of Lincoln.

"Nine of the 16 telegraph stations depicted in the War Department were fully operational," explained Morse Telegraph Club International President James Wade, WB8SIW. "These instruments could be operated in any combination through the use of a specialized computer program and custom-built terminal units for the process. When necessary, a hand key could be inserted in the individual telegraph loops so messages could be improvised."

www.arrl.org/news/morse-code-plays-role-in-new-spielberg-movie

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Voyager 1 probe leaving solar system reaches 'magnetic highway'

NASA's long-lived Voyager 1 spacecraft, which is heading out of the solar system, has reached a "magnetic highway" leading to interstellar space, scientists claim.

The probe, launched 35 years ago to study the outer planets, is now about 18 billion km from Earth. At that distance, it takes radio signals traveling at the speed of light 17 hours to reach Earth.

Voyager 1 will be the first manmade object to leave the solar system.

Scientists believe Voyager 1 is in an area where the magnetic field lines from the sun are connecting with magnetic field lines from interstellar space. The phenomenon is causing highly energetic particles from distant supernova explosions and other cosmic events to zoom inside the solar system, while less-energetic solar particles exit.

"It's like a highway, letting particles in and out," lead Voyager scientist Ed Stone told reporters in San Francisco.

Scientists don't know how long it will take for the probe to cross the so-called "magnetic highway," but they believe it is the last layer of a complex boundary between the region of space under the sun's influence and interstellar space.

www.dnaindia.com/scitech/report_voyager-1-probe-leaving-solar-system-reaches-magnetic-highway-exit12-4-2012-8-04-28-am_1773168

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend

The 100th registration for this event is in. It comes from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club, Emden club station DL0EM at the Campen Lighthouse, on the North Coast of Germany.

Active since 1891 with Germanys most powerful lighthouse lamp, in the mouth of the Ems River, and with its lattice tower construction it stands 65 metres

or 213 feet tall.

Listen for club station DL0EM with a team of operators on the HF bands. The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is an annual fun and friendly event sponsored by the Ayr Radio Group on the third full weekend of August.

The basic objective is to promote public awareness of the historic structures and their need for preservation, promotion of amateur radio and to foster international goodwill.

So far 22 countries have registered. If you would like to know more or register online for the next event on August the 17th and 18th visit the website illw.net

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Disaster recovery helped by amateur radio

The radio amateur community was well prepared when a super typhoon unleashed its fury on the Philippines, uprooting trees, snapping power lines, sparking landslides, cancelling flights and ferries sending 40,000 people to shelters.

Claiming more than 200 human lives, it was the strongest of 16 typhoons in the country this year, as Pablo (internationally named Bopha) had heavy rain and wind gusts up to 210km/h.

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA) had emergency communications on 40 metres 7095 MHz and VHF as the typhoon made landfall on Tuesday at North Davao in Mindanao. It left a large footprint of damage before exiting the country.

PARA is disappointed that its emergency use of 7095 MHz was not honoured by other radio amateurs, who disturbed its operation by testing equipment on air, tuning up, sending digital signals and sometimes even trying to make contact as if it was a DX activity.

A standard text will clearly identify emergency nets in future, as a worldwide reminder is issued not to QRM emergencies or training exercises.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee)

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

FEB 24 VK WYONG AUSTRALIA HAMFEST

MAR 24 VK7 "Meet the Voice" barbecue at Ross.

MAY 24-25 VK6 WIA AGM AND CONFERENCE IN PERTH

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Oct 3- 7 VK4 North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention Charters Towers

NOV 3 VK5 HamFest Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society 2 Goodwood.

NOV 15-17 VK3 Victorian National Parks Weekend

Nov 24 VK3 Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club: Rosebud RadioFest

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Californian balloon lands in Morocco

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The K6RPT-12 144.390 MHz APRS balloon successfully crossed the Atllantic
and landed in Morocco on Wednesday morning

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Disaster recovery helped by amateur radio

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The amateur radio community was prepared when a super typhoon unleashed its
fury on the Philippines, uprooting trees, snapping power lines, sparking
landslides, cancelling flights and ferries sending 40,000 people to
shelters. However, PARA is disappointed that its emergency use of 7095 MHz
was not honoured by other radio amateurs

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vmVqNVu3T3w/december_06.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A very poor week including Saturday, almost back to 2 year ago levels. But
then came Sunday! I left the contacts at 3 or more so that the contrast
between Sunday and the rest of the week is very apparent. 5T0SP
(Mauritania) and 7P8D (Lesotho) vied for top spot all week with 5T0SP
probably just edging it. Others were ZL9HR (Campbell Island), J79WTA
(Dominica-Is) and lots more

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von Karman Institute lectures on CubeSat Technology and Applications

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CubeSat Technology and Applications lectures will be held at von Karman Institute (VKI) (Brussels, Belgium) on 29 Jan – 1 Feb 2013

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Cuba to Spain on amateur radio satellite FO-29

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/vjW7SkTqd4Q/cuba_to_spain_on_amateur_radio_satellite_fo29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hector CO6CBF reports on his successful transatlantic contact between Cuba and Spain using the amateur radio satellite FO-29

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171 days to go...

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Wda3ArAr1HY/171_days_to_go.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With the 2013 WIA AGM and Conference just 171 days away, less than six months to go, as organising committee, we have much to share and planning ahead

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The role of a DXpedition pilot for ZL9HR

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q3Yh6zh487Q/the_role_of_a_dxpedition_pilot_for_zl9hr.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This news release on ZL9HR is a little different to normal. It is the comments from one ZL9HR team member who is not on Campbell Island - Rich KY6R is one of the global pilots supporting the DXpedition

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Lesotho operation

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zAiyoitA1Ks/lesotho_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chris, ZS6RI will be active as 7P8RI from Lesotho beginning December 17th for 20 weeks - with a two week on and two week off rotation (similar to his 9J2RI activities)

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ACMA finds stolen emergency beacon

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The Australian Search and Rescue was recently alerted that an activated emergency position-indicating radio beacon, or EPIRB had been stolen from South Melbourne

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club facilitate another Foundation Course

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Omagh-based WTARC have presented certificates/licence to the successful candidates who recently completed an amateur radio foundation course and Intermediate exam in December 2012

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Newspaper reports Radio Hams Talk to Astronauts in Space

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The Star Times report that amateur radio operators connect with people all over - even in space

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Vadrum speaks Morse Code

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In this video Italian drummer Andrea Vadrucci (Vadrum) drums out the Morse code alphabet

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German hams bound for Nukunonu Atoll

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Amateur radio operators Hans DL6JGN and Guenter DL2AWG will be active as ZK3N from Nukunonu Atoll (OC-048) between April 23rd and May 8th (2013)

2490. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 6 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-06 17:35:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399893a803d704d0328494@google.com>
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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5W0W Dec 8-March 1 2013

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 07:54 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370985-5W0W-Dec-8-March-1-2013&goto=newpost

Ralph H44RK will be QRV as 5W0W from Samoa Dec 1, 2012 thru March 1 2013

QSL via NR6M

2491. [DXNL] DXNL 1809 - Dec 5, 2012DXNL 1809 - Dec 5 , 2012DXNL 1809 (Dec 5, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 01:16:25 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <523865859.20121206220115@dxhf.darc.de>
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DXNL 1809 - Dec 5, 2012
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6Y, JAMAICA, NA-097
Lester,6Y5/W8YCM, is QRV again in SSB on 17m-10m from Negril on
Jamaica (NA-097) until the beginning of next year. QSL via homecall.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS, AF-004
EA8/DG1BH is working from Lanzarote (AF-004) from Dec 2-20. He is
running only 10 watts into a vertical mainly on 20m or on frequencies
+/- 058 kHz. QSL via homecall.

F, FRANCE
Rodrigue,F8DFO, and Jeremy,F4DVJ, will activate the special event
station TM2VD in CW, SSB and digital modes on 80m-10m on Dec 7-12 and
Jan 2-4. The station remembers Robert Delrue,F3VD, who passed away in
August and was a mentor for many HAMs. QSL via F8DFO.

The Louvre-Lens, a branch museum of the Musee du Louvre, will be
inaugurated on Dec 4 and opened to the public on Dec 12. The special
event station TM62LL is activated by the radio club in Hernes until
Dec 15. QSL via F8KHW.
See: http://harnesradioclubf8khw.free.fr and http://www.louvrelens.fr
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JeanPaul,F8BJI, uses the special call TM101O in RTTY (up to 250 Baud),
Throb4 and Thor8 until Dec 15. QSL via F8BJI.

The special event station TM1TARA celebrates the French scientific
research vessel TARA from Dec 8-10. Francois,F8DVD, and Sebastien,F8IJV
are working in SSB on 10m-20m. See also QRZ.com. QSL via F8DVD.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
Following ISWL clubstations will be active in December:
GX4BJC/A in Bude/Cornwall by Mike,M0SMJ (EU-005, WLOTA 1841)

MX1SWL/A in Hartford by Tom,G3RPV, (EU-005, WAB TL27, WLOTA 1841)
QSLs via G6XOU.

JA, JAPAN, AS-077
The special event station 8J6HAM will be QRV in all modes on all bands
from Kyushu (AS-077, WLOTA 0963) from the 12th West Japan Ham Fair
between Dec 10 and Mar 3. QSL via bureau.

LX, LUXEMBURG
The national amateur radio society of Luxembourg has changed its name
to Radioamateurs du Luxembourg. See also: http://www.rlx.lu

ON, BELGIUM
Berkin,ON/TA3J, announced to show up in SSB/FM on 160m-2m from various
locations from Dec 7-11. QSL via homecall.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
The members of the Frisian Radio Amateur Group (FRAG, clubstation
PI4FRG) are celebrating the 35th jubilee of their club this month.
The special event station PF35FRAG is working until Dec 28.
QSL via PI4FRG. See also: http://pi4frg.cjb.net

PJ2, CURACAO, SA-099
Joeke,PJ2/PA0VDV, is working only in CW mainly on 30m/17m/12m from
Curacao (SA-099) until Dec 18. QSL via homecall.

PY, BRAZIL
Claudio,PY5PDC, will join the SOLP SSB category of the ARRL 10m Contest
as ZX10M. QSL via PY5PDC.

UA, RUSSIA
The special event station R20BIS is celebrating the silver jubilee of
the telecommunication company Bashinformsvyaz until Dec 31.
QSL via RU9WZ.

V3, BELIZE
John,AD8J, and Doug,W3NO, will join the ARRL 10m Contest as V31NO from
Placencia. QSL via W3NO.

V5, NAMIBIA
Ewald,V5/DJ2BQ, is working in RTTY on 80m-10m until Jan 18.
Dietmar,V5/DL3DXX (160m-10m, CW/SSB), Ulmar,V5/DK1CE (160m-10m, CW,
until Jan 2) and Mathias,V5/DJ2HD (160m-6m, SSB/RTTY, until Jan 12),
will join him on Dec 22.
QSLs for V5/DK1CE via DH3WO, all others via homecalls.

VK, AUSTRALIA, OC-001
Thomas,OZ1AA, began his trip around the world on a bicycle in Oct 2010.
He is working as VK8/OZ1AA from the north of Australia in the moment.
QSL via homecall. See also: http://www.cyclingtheglobe.com

VP8/A, ANTARCTICA, AN-016
8J1RL is the clubstation of the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) on
at the Japanese research station "SYOWA" which was founded in Jan 1957.

8J1RL is activated by members of the of the Japanese Antarctic Research
Expedition team (JARE). The team usually changes in February and there
is a new QSL design every year. QSL via bureau.

XU, CAMBODIA
Zorro,JH1AJT, Jay,JA1TRC, Aki,JA4EKO, Masaru,JA5AQC, Champ,E21EIC,
Kazu,JH1OGX, and other HAMs will be QRV as XU1A from Dec 5-17. They
plan to work with three stations simultaneously using 2 yagis, dipoles
and groundplanes in CW/SSB/digital modes on 160m-10m (maybe also 6m).
QSL via JH1AJT, OQRS and ClubLog will follow later.
See also: http://www.fgc.or.jp/english

DX WORLD GUIDE: CQ Communications, Inc., announced the 3rd edition of the
"DX World Guide" by Franz Langner,DJ9ZB. This book has 384 pages in
English and will be published as print or CD version.
See also: http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com

HL, SOUTH KOREA: Following rules apply to foreign licensees in South Korea:
When applying for a South Korean license foreign amateurs may choose
between a Korean callsign or HL*/homecall. The callsign blocks range
from HL1Z** to HL1Z** and the number depends on the location in Korea.
If HL1ZAA moves to area 5, he can apply for a permanent change to
HL5ZAA, if he only visits another area he can use HL1ZAA/5.
The foreign language repeater in Seoul was moved on top of a 600m high
mountain: RX 439.6 MHz, TX 434.6 MHz with 123 Hz subtone. Any language
other than Korean is allowed on this repeater.

Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity: The German amateur radio club
DARC introduced an application to the IARU Region 1 Conference 2011
in Sun City to take steps to protect the Morse code as a Intangible
Cultural Heritage of Humanity. This has been implemented now and the
Managing Board of the IARU Region 1 distributed application forms to
all member associations of IARU region 1, which can be adjusted to
local needs and then forwarded to their National UNESCO Commission.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Dec 8 UBA Winter Low Band Contest
Dec 8/9 ARRL 10m Contest
Dec 8/9 28 MHz SWL Contest
Dec 8/9 International Naval Contest
Dec 9 UBA Winter Low Band Contest

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:

AS-031, JD, Chichi/Haha/Muko Island: Makoto,JI5RPT, will be QRV again as
JD1BLY from Chichi-jima (WLOTA 2269, JCG 10007, Loc QL17cc) from
Dec 10-13. Listen for him in CW, SSB and digital modes on 40m-10m.
QSL via JI5RPT.
See also: http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1 and http://twitter.com/jd1bly

EU-009, GM/MM, Orkney: Russell,G5XW, is going to visit Orkney (IOSA OR01,
SCOTIA OI14, WLOTA 1652) again from Dec 7-11. He will be touring the
island visiting friends and will operate as GM5XW from various QTHs.
QSL only direct via G5XW.

EU-025, IT9, Sicily Island: The team of II9P plans to take part also in the
upcoming ARRL DX 10m Contest. QSL via IT9CHU (bureau/direct).

NA-016, ZF, Cayman Island: Victoria,AE9YL, Michael,K9MK, and Carl,K9LA, will
show up as ZF1A from Cayman during the ARRL DX 10m Contest. They will
sign ZF2YL (AE9YL), ZF2MK (K9MK) and ZF2LA (K9LA) before and after the
contest. QSLs for ZF1A via K6AM (bureau/direct/LoTW) or via homecalls.

NA-031, W1, Rhode Island State group: Jim,KA3UNQ/p, plans to activate
several lighthouses in Rhode Island from Dec 6-9:
Dec 6: 1600-1800z Watch Hill (ARLHS USA-872)
Dec 6: 1900-2100z Point Judith (ARLHS USA-625)
Dec 7: 1300-1500z Sakonnet Point (ARLHS USA-718)
Dec 7: 1600-1800z Hog Island Shoal (ARLHS USA-373)
Dec 7: 1600-1800z Musslebed Shoal (ARLHS USA-959)
Dec 7: 1600-1800z Bristol Ferry (ARLHS USA-087)
Dec 7: 1830-2030z Prudence Island (ARLHS USA-675)
Dec 8: 1300-1500z Goat Island (ARLHS USA-548)
Dec 8: 1300-1500z Rose Island (ARLHS USA-703)
Dec 8: 1300-1500z Gull Rocks (ARLHS USA-362)
Dec 8: 1600-1800z Ida Lewis/Lime Rock (ARLHS USA-398)
Dec 8: 1900-2100z Brenton Reef (ARLHS USA-082)
Dec 8: 1900-2100z Brenton Reef L/V (ARLHS USA-1129)
Dec 9: 1300-1500z Beavertail, Conanicut Island (ARLHS USA-048/USA-1128)
Dec 9: 1300-1500z Whale Rock (ARLHS USA-883)
Dec 9: 1300-1500z Castle Hill (ARLHS USA-144)
Dec 9: 1530-1730z Dutch Island (ARLHS USA-250)
Dec 9: 1830-2030z Gould Island (ARLHS USA-958) or
Dec 9: 1830-2030z Conanicut Island (ARLHS USA-185)
His preferred frequencies in SSB are: 3875-3900, 7175-7200 kHz and
14260-14280 kHz. QSL via KA3UNQ (bureau/direct).

NA-054, C6, Berry Island: Rick,K6VVA, plans to become active as C6AVA from
Berry Island (WLOTA 1903) mainly in CW (maybe some SSB) on 40m/30m/20m
and 17m from Dec 7-12. Depending on the propagation he may join also
the ARRL DX 10m Contest. QSL only via N6AWD (bureau/direct).
See also: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na054

OC-012, V6, Yap Islands: Haru,JA1XGI, is working as V63XG from Yap Island
from Dec 5-12. Activities are planned in CW on 40m-6m with focus on
30m/17m and 12m. QSL via JA1XGI.

See also: http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm

OC-083, E5, Aitutaki group: Norman,5B4AIF, and his family are going to spend
their Christmas holidays in Tautu Village on Aitutaki (Loc BH01cd) from
Dec 10 until Jan 5. He will be QRV as E51E mainly in SSB and RTTY in
holiday style suing simple antennas. A few slow CW QSOs may be possible
as well. QSL via EB7DX (direct).
CW: 1825, 3525, 7020, 10105, 14025, 18075, 21025, 24895, 28025 kHz
SSB: 1840, 3793, 7185, 14215, 18160, 21295, 24950, 28485 kHz
RTTY: 3630, 7035, 10145, 14090, 18105, 21090, 24925, 28090 kHz
6m: 50105/CW and 50130/SSB
See also: http://aitutaki2012.com

OC-088, 9M6/9M8/V8/YB7, Borneo: Steve,9M6DXX, is struggling with the poor
conditions from his home QTH and has booked a hotel near the sea
(WLOTA 0119) from Dec 8-9. He plans to produce a big signal with
400 watts, verticals and other antennas at the sea. He is working in
SSB only and wants to join the ARRL DX 10m Contest as well.
QSL via M0URX. Please use also OQRS.
See also: http://www.telenius-lowe.info/amateur-radio.html

OC-097, 5W, Samoa Island: Ralph,H44RK, will stay in Apia on Upolu Island
(WLOTA 1944) Dec 8 until Mar 1 and will show up as 5W0RK on 20m-10m.
QSL via NR6M (bureau/direct). The log will be uploaded to the LoTW.

SA-003, PY0F, Fernando de Noronha Archipelago: Renner,PY7RP, plans to become
active as PY0FRP from Fernando de Noronha (DIB OC-01, WFF PYFF-016,
WLOTA 1208) from Dec 6-10. He will use a FT-450, a 4 ele yagi and G5RV
on 40m-10m. He will sign PS0F during the ARRL DX 10m Contest.
QSLs for both calls via PY7RP (bureau/direct).

SA-036, P4, Aruba Island: Thomas,K8CX, is signing P40CX from Aruba from
Dec 3-10 (including the ARRL DX 10m Contest). QSL via K8CX.

IOTA information: Following operations (May until November 2012) will be
accepted for IOTA credit: RI0K (AS-061), RI0K/P (AS-092),
VE2/VE3EXY/P (NA-177), P29VCX (OC-025, OC-103 & OC-135),
P29NI (OC-099), P29VPB (OC-069), E51AND (OC-124),
YB8XM/P (OC-249 & OC-271), LT0X (SA-087).
OC-271 (Babar Islands) is a valid IOTA group now.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

27Nov-14Dec 3B8/F1BCS 1808
Resident 3B8BAE 1808
-28Feb 3Z5MT 1808
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
09Nov-09Mar 4S7KKG 1805
-16Dec 5G12ITD 1807
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798

10Nov-09Dec 5R8IC 1805
16Nov- 5T0JL 1772/1806
24Nov-10Dec 5T0SP 1807
08Dec-01Mar 5W0RK 1809 *
-15Dec 5X1NH 1801/1802
-2014 5Z4EE 1803/1807
2012 6D0LM 1774
-Jan 6Y5/W8YCM 1809 *
Unknown 7P8CC 1807
Resident 7Q7DFC 1805
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Dec 8J1KS 1800
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
Resident 8J1RL 1809 *
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-31Dec 8J1STGY 1800
-31Dec 8J3IPA 1802
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Mar 8J5SSS 1807
10Dec-03Mar 8J6HAM 1809 *
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-31Dec 8N1CJ 1807
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
-30Nov 8N1YKR 1800
-30Nov 8N2100MD 1800
27Nov-11Dec 8Q7AU 1807
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
30Oct-26Dec 9M2MRS 1803
08Dec-09Dec 9M6DXX 1809 *
Resident 9V1KK 1803
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

Resident A22LL 1803
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
23Nov-07Dec AU1JCB.. 1807
-10Mar BM0LF.. 1805
01Dec-13Dec C6AGG 1808
07Dec-12Dec C6AVA 1809 *
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
Resident CD6713 1805
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
01Dec-12Dec C6AGG 1808
01Dec-Jan/13 C6AGT 1808
20Nov-11Dec C6AKQ 1806
20Nov-11Dec C6ARU 1806
20Nov-11Dec C6AUM 1806
-Dec CW90A 1805
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784

-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
05Nov-15Feb D3AA 1806
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791
10Dec-05Jan E51E 1809 *
18Nov-08Dec E51TLA 1806
-31Dec E720RS 1770
-20Dec EA8/DG1BH 1809 *
03Dec-12Feb EA8/IK1PMR 1808
03Dec-12Feb EA8/PA3LEO 1808
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
-15Dec EN290L 1808
Unknown ET3AA 1805

-08Dec F6KBK 1808
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
-15Dec FK/VK6DXI 1807
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
07Dec-11Dec GM5XW 1809 *
17Oct-10Dec H44MS 1802
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Nov-15Dec HF70TWARDY 1804
-31Dec HG90ST 1804
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
02Dec-11Dec J6/KA9P 1808
02Dec-11Dec J6/N7QT 1808
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02Dec-11Dec J68FF 1808
02Dec-11Dec J68UN 1808
-17Dec J79WTA 1804

10Dec-13Dec JD1BLY 1809 *
-11Apr JX9JKA 1773/1807

-Mar/13 K6H 1803
06Dec-09Dec KA3UNQ/p 1809 *
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
long term KP2/NQ3X 1799/1803
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
Resident OD5RW 1799
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
07Dec-11Dec ON/TA3J 1809 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
01Dec-31Dec OP200HC.. 1808
-31Dec P3EU 1786
03Dec-10Dec P40CX 1809 *
-28Dec PF35FRAG 1809 *
01Dec-28Dec PG100NOM 1807
-18Dec PJ2/PA0VDV 1809 *
30Nov-12Dec PJ5J 1808
-20Dec PQ125GBA 1808
08Dec-09Dec PS0F 1809 *
06Dec-10Dec PY0FRP 1809 *

-31Dec R20 1809 *
-15Jan S505SLG 1803
-15Jan S512IAPMC 1803
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
Dec SN15ZIP 1808
Resident ST2FT 1808
-Feb/13 T6LG 1795/1807
-Oct/13 T6MH 1806
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-13Jan TG9/KF5LSG.. 1807
-2015? TJ3SN (?) 1806
-15Dec TM101O 1809 *
08Dec-10Dec TM1TARA 1809 *
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
07Dec-12Dec TM2VD 1806/1809 *
-15Dec TM62LL 1809 *
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763

08Dec/09Dec V31NO 1809 *
-18Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1809 *
04Dec-12Dec V63XG 1809 *
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
Resident VK4FMAG 1807
Unknown VK8/OZ1AA 1809 *
20Nov-11Dec VP5/W5CW 1806

Unknown VP8CMH/mm.. 1804
Unknown VP8DFR 1803
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
23Nov-10Dec XV2RS 1807
-10Dec XV2RZ 1808
Resident XV4Y 1808
14Nov- YI1IRQ 1807
04Dec-10Dec YN5ZO 1808
Unknown Z81A.. 1798
Unknown Z88Z 1800
08Dec-09Dec ZF1A 1809 *
-12Aug ZF2TK 1800
28Nov-09Dec ZL9H 1809 *
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

4J3M via DL7EDH (d)
4S7KKG via DC0KK (B)
5T0SP via SP6FXY (B), (L), eQSL
5W0RK via NR6M (B)
6W/UN7LZ via UN7LZ (B)
6W7/N1SNB via N0TG (d)
6Y5/W8YCM via W8YCM
7P8D via ZS2DL (B), (L)
8Q7AU via HB9OAU (B)
9H3TX via DL5XAT (B)
8J1RL (B), JG2MLI(d)
8J6HAM (B)
8Q7AU via HB9OAU
9M6DXX via M0URX (B), (L)
A61LL/ND via EA5ZD (d)
A92IO via EI3IO (B), (L)
AU2JCB via VU2DSI (d), eQSL
BD9GBV (d)
C6AVA via N6AWD (B)
CM2YI via EA4GJU (B)
CT3AS via DL3BK (B)
CT9/DL1CW via DL1CW (B)
CT9/DL7JV via DL7JV (B)
CT9/UA9ONJ via UA9ONJ (B)
CW5W via CX6VM (d)
E51E via EB7DX (d)
EA8/DG1BH via DG1BH (B)
EA8/DK5AN via DK5AN (B)
EE8L via EC8AFM (B), (L)
EG1VCV via EA1RCI (B)

EG8AOP via EA8AP (B), eQSL
EL2MF via KC7V (B)
EG3MRA via EA3RCQ
GM5XW via G5XW (d)
H44RK via NR6M (B), (L)
H44USMC via NR6M (*)
EN290L via UR9LD (B)
HB0/HB3YDL via HB3YDL
II3SB (B)
II5TNA via IZ5JLW (B)
J79WTA via HB9MFM (B)
J8/PE1IGM via PE1IGM (B)
JD1BLY via JI5RPT
KA3UNQ/p via KA3UNQ (B)
KC8RUD/KH0 via JF2SD
KH0/JH1BXH via JH1BXH
KH7X via K2PF (B)
NP2/K7EUG via K7EUG (L)
ON/TA3J via TA3J (B)
OP200HC via ON4AZD (B), eQSL
OS200HC via ON4CBU
OT200HC (B)
OY3JE via M0URX (B), (L)
P40CX via K8CX (B)
PF35FRAG via PI4FRG (B)
PF35OLM via PE1OLM (B), (L)
PJ2/PA0VDV via PA0VDV (B)
PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI (B)
PJ4/W1FJ via W1FJ (B)
PJ4D via W3HNK
PJ5J via JA1HGY (B)
PS0F via PY7RP (B)
PY0FRP via PY7RP (B)
RI1ANR via RK1PWA (B)
R20BIS via RU9WZ (B), (L)
TC7X via UA4LL (B)
TM101O via F8BJ
TM1TARA via F8DVD (B)
TM2VD via F8DFO
TM62LL via F8KHW, eQSL
V31NO via W3NO
V5/DJ2BQ via DJ2BQ (B)
V5/DJ2HD via DJ2HD (B)
V5/DK1CE via DH3WO (B)
V5/DL3DXX via DL3DXX (B)
V63EPO via JA7EPO (d)
V63JX via JH1DVG (B), (L), eQSL
V63XG via JA1XGI (B, (L)
VK2012TDF via VK3HF, (L)
VK8/OZ1AA via OZ1ACB (B)

YD0LOU via YB0JZS (d)
YS1/HB9KNA via HB9KNA (B)
YU175SB via YU1KN, eQSL
Z81D via OM3JW (B)
ZZ100FC via PS7YL (B), (L), eQSL
ZF1A via K6AM (B, (L)
ZF2LA via K9LA (B)
ZF2MK via K9MK (B)
ZF2YL via AE9YL (B)
ZX10M via PY5PDC (B)
ZZ100FC via PS7YL (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: TO6T (UA3DX), XE1L/XF3

QSLs arrived bureau: 3D2YA (JA1NLX), 6Y1V (OH3RB), 9L0W (DK2WV),
9Y4W (DL4MDO), 61UU, AH0BT (7L1FPU), BV0G (BV2KI),
C5A (OM2FY), D2AM (OM5GU), DK150RB (DL1SBF), DL0YLG,
DR2P, E44PM (HB9IQB), E51NOU (N7OU), E71AMRS (OE4RGC),
EL2DT (EL2FM), EL2WS (N7CW), FH/DL7BC, FR/DJ7RJ, FR5MV,
HP1WW (OH0XX), HR9/AI5P, K4M/KH4 (OQRS), K6VVA/KL7,
K8LJG/4, KH0/HB9BCK, OD5PL (HB9CRV), OZ1HQ, P4/DF7ZS,
PJ2/DL5RDP, PJ2/KE1B, PJ2/W5XU, PJ2/W0NB, PJ7NK (DJ8NK),
PJ7PT (SP9PT), PJ7PT (SP9PT), PR5A, S21YZ (JH1AJT),
SV2JAO, TO7C (DL7BC), TX7M (RZ3EC), V5/DC8QT, V5/DJ9KM,
V5/DL3DXX, VK9XM (OH2YY), VP2EAT (VE3IKV), VP9/WW3S,
VP8YLG (SV3DCX), VU2XO, YO9XC, Z24EA (DL4EA),
ZA20QA (HA0NAR), ZF2LC (W2SM)

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http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

2492. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 6 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 03:26:44 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bf7168226cf04d03ac89d@google.com>
Source record: 1259
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Disaster recovery helped by amateur radio - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 11:14 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF3C0uH-y1O6s76vTHpMvjtuHE5fA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/disaster_recovery_helped_by_amateur_radio.htm

Disaster recovery helped by amateur radio
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The amateur radio community was prepared when a super typhoon unleashed its fury on the Philippines, uprooting trees, snapping power lines, sparking landslides, cancelling flights and ferries sending 40,000 people to shelters. Claiming more than 200 ...

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Cuba to Spain on amateur radio satellite FO-29 - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 11:57 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHlx-saL38UFKr2X12geZXWj2MyMw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/cuba_to_spain_on_amateur_radio_satellite_fo29.htm

Cuba to Spain on amateur radio satellite FO-29
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Hector CO6CBF reports on his successful transatlantic contact between Cuba and Spain using the amateur radio satellite FO-29. I am pleased to report that yesterday morning I had my first transatlantic contact on satellites. I worked EA4CYQ Juan Antonio ...

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club facilitate another Foundation Course - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 10:52 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHMq75M3sNkAjM2PeBLYL8lL-q2BA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/west_tyrone_amateur_radio_club_foundation_course.htm

West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club facilitate another Foundation Course
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Photographed receiving their certificates/licence are successful candidates who recently completed an amateur radio foundation course and Intermediate exam in December 2012. The course was run by Omagh based WTARC. The venue was in the ...

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Local Amateur Radio Club wins Prestigious award! - Rochdale Online

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 02:39 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGDlKxQP2r5pbAGZTni-VWVfzfGaQ&url=http://www.rochdaleonline.co.uk/news-features/2/news-headlines/75932/local-amateur-radio-club-wins-prestigious-award

Local Amateur Radio Club wins Prestigious award!
Rochdale Online
Date published: 06 December 2012. The Rochdale and District Amateur Radio Society (R.A.D.A.R.S.) fought off other clubs around the UK to win the G5BY trophy for a second time. The President of the Radio Society of Great Britain visited the Norden based ...

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2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 11:46 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFWH3UTwhZL0zqoKcG57mjyczLDng&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/2012_mtn_amateur_radio_of_the_year_awards.htm

2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
At a gala lunch held on Wednesday last week, the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust presented the 2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards. The MTN Radio Amateur of the Year award was presented to Colin de Villiers, ZS6COL, for his ...

2493. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1354863900@panix.com>
Source record: 1260
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

2494. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1354864200@panix.com>
Source record: 1261
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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2495. NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 36s

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 09:01:29 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <C9DA8F573CE04B05AFF9CEF830F773C5@AlanNetbook>
Source record: 1262
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Special Issue 36s

7 December 2012

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

In this issue:

Your National Association successfully negotiates access to the 600 kHz band. An InfoLine Special from NZART, representing Amateur Radio in New Zealand since 1926.

Amateur Access to 600 Metres

As members may be aware, the band 472 kHz to 479 kHz was allocated to the Amateur service for use on a secondary basis at the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) held earlier this year.

We have now agreed the basis on which New Zealand Amateurs will be given access to this band with the Radio Spectrum Policy and Planning Group of the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment:

· Frequency range: 472 kHz to 479 kHz

· Type of allocation: Secondary (see definition below)

· Power Output: 25 W eirp

· Bandwidth restrictions: None (the previous 200 Hz limit is removed)

As a result of this new allocation, Amateurs will no longer have access to the previous temporary allocation at 505 – 515 kHz. The Ministry has, however, agreed that the temporary use in the band 505 kHz to 515 kHz will be permitted for one further year, until the end of 2013, to provide amateurs with an opportunity to retune and/or rebuild their equipment.

The Amateur General User Licence has been updated to reflect these changes which take effect from 20 December 2012. The updated GURL can be found at:

http://www.rsm.govt.nz/cms/licensees/types-of-licence/general-user-licences/amateur-radio-operators

Definition of Secondary Allocation

For members who are unfamiliar with the concept of a secondary allocation, the following excerpt from the International Radio Regulations may be of interest:

“Allocations are made on a primary or on a secondary basis. Stations of a secondary service cannot cause harmful interference to stations of primary services to which frequencies are already assigned or to which frequencies may be assigned at a later date. Stations of a secondary service cannot claim protection from harmful interference from stations of a primary service to which frequencies are already assigned or to which frequencies may be assigned at a later date.”

Don Wallace, ZL2TLL, NZART Administration Liaison Officer

Housekeeping

Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Jan/Feb issue of
Break-In-closes on 10 Jan 2013.

Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy. Early receipt of copy is much appreciated and all received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.

Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Jen 2013 for articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
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2496. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1843 - December 7 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 10:00:19 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121207100004.105F033C2F@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1263
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1843 - December 7 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1843 with a release date of December 7, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Hams provide emergency communications as a massive typhoon hits the Philippines; The IARU Region 3 Monitoring System notes an increase in the number of intrusions into the amateur radio bands; hams in Taiwan say that they are in need of additional operating spectrum and the FCC plans to hold several hearings on the communications breakdowns caused by Hurricane Sandy. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1843 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS PROVIDE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS IN WAKE OF TYPHOON BOPHA

When Typhoon Bopha hit the Philippines, it uprooted trees, downed power lines, sparked landslides and made 40,000 people head for shelters. And ham radio was out in the middle of it doing what it does best. Providing emergency communications as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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When it made landfall on December 4th local time in the Philippines, Typhoon Bopha was the strongest of about 20 typhoons to affect that country in recent times. The storm brought with it heavy rain and winds gusting 110 to 130 miles per hour as it came ashore near the city of Mindanao.

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association had its emergency radio operations in activated by the time the typhoon struck. Ham radio operators immediately began assisting in the communication needs of several cities using all available means of communication. This included a high frequency net on 7.095 MHz, VHF FM on 144.740 MHz, the internet and even social media to monitor the situation and give updates to those in need.

RADNET 5, a local amateur radio club in Tacloban was active in helping provide the city with a vital communications link. It's members were in constant coordination with the City Disaster Risk Reduction

Management Council. As this report is prepared, so far it has assisted in the evacuation of 5,700 families.

RADNET 5 also was assisting the Red Cross in Tacloban and Saint Bernard. The government of Tacloban City has been using its Convention Center as one of its evacuation centers.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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According to news reports, casualties have been minimal, due to preparations, the cooperation of evacuees and the mammoth response and recovery efforts. More on this story as developments warrant. (DU1EV, PARA)

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INTRUDER WATCH: IARU REGION 3 MONITORING SYSTEM DETECTS NEW INTERERENCE

The IARU Region 3 Monitoring System notes an increase in the number of intrusions in the higher frequency bands, particular from Over the Horizon Radar on 15 meters. In the newsletter Peter Young VK3MV reports that some of these radar emissions into northern Australia are very strong and a report has been filed with the Australian Regulator which is seeking information and their removal.

With high frequency propagation improving there are more sightings of intrusions on 10 meters from low power commercial like services. These include reports of High Frequency Man Pack operations that are being logged. Unfortunately, due to the random nature of these signals locating their source is difficult.

Also, reported is a Burmese broadcast station operating on 7 dot 110 MHz in the 40 meter band. It has been reported to the Australian telecommunications regulator in the hope of using international diplomatic channels to get it to move out of the 40 meter ham radio allocation. (IARU R-3)

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RESTRUCTURING: TAIWAN RADIO HAMS SEEK ADDITIONAL ALLOCATIONS

Hams in Taiwan say that they are in need of additional operating spectrum and have prepared a report that explains what, where and why. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, has the details:

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Taiwan's national society the CTARL, presented a paper regarding amateur radio in that country at the recent IARU Region 3 conference. In it the Taiwanese ham radio community says that it is seeking to expand several amateur allocations.

On 80 meters where they currently only have 3.5 to 3.5125 and 3.55 to 3.5625 MHz, they are seeking an allocation from 3.5 to 3.9 MHz. On 6 meters they have just 50 to 50.0125 and 50.11 to 50.1225 MHz. As such they are seeking the entire 50.0 to 54.0 MHz band and to add 146 to 148 MHz to their existing 144 to 146 MHz allocation.

Taiwan has very limited amateur allocations in the UHF and Microwave bands, only 430 to 432, 1260 to 1265 and 2440 to 2450 MHz. There they seek to expand these allocations to from 430 to 440 and 1240 to 1300 MHz.

Of interest, the CTARL reports that its membership is now just 362. In 2000 the IARU reported it had a membership of 1264 out of an amateur population of 24,324. This indicates that they have lost 72% of their members this century and one can speculate that perhaps the number of radio amateurs in that nation has had a similar sharp decline.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson. New Zealand.

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By way of comparison, Taiwan's population is 23 million or about 1/14th that of the United States. The US now boasts over 700,000 FCC licensed amateur radio service licenses. (IARU-R3)

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ENFORCEMENT: AUSTRALIA'S ACMA TO CRACK DOWN ON NON COMPLIANT RF INTERFERENCE CAUSING DEVICES

The Australian Communications and Media Authority is looking for devices that pose a high a high risk to the orderly use of the radio spectrum and to public safety.

ACMA Field Staff, particularly in Western Australia, are looking for such items as mobile phone and GPS jammers, both of which are prohibited in VK land. Also on the ACMA's list of illegal communications devices are mobile phone repeaters, and non-compliant devices such as high power cordless phones and headsets.

A comment by a radio amateur to the ACMA claimed there was concern about non-compliant imported goods that are stamped as being compliant. The unidentified ham wants the ACMA to clamp down on switch mode power supplies used in plasma TV sets that don't meet the standards and cause much of the interference.

As of now, the ACMA rules enforcement campaign will include education and traditional legal measures. It will also focus on improving the supply chain compliance of on-line, or over the internet purchased devices. In other words if you are a seller of such goods on any of the on-line auctions that are banned in Australia, the ACMA will be taking a long and hard look at you, no matter what nation you operate out of. (VK3PC)

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RESCUE RADIO: MID SEVERN RAYNET ACTIVATED AFTER FLOOD WARNING

The United Kingdom's Mid Severn Valley RAYNET called out on Sunday, November 25th. This, in support of flood preparations as waters rose on a near by river.

With very short notice available members of Mid Severn group were requested by the Worcestershire County Council County Volunteers Emergency Committee to be ready for assignment due to the rising waters of the River Severn. Emergency Planning Officers were concerned at the potential for flooding of adjacent residential properties in parts of Worcester city centre.

Multi agency teams from the County Volunteers Emergency Committee were tasked with notifying homeowners of the threat as well as issuing warnings advice and leaflets. They were also to report back to Social Services on those residents who may not be able to evacuate and could require rest centre assistance.

G8WOX, G6DQM and M0VNG deployed with the team. Having on the ground liaison through RAYNET channels reportedly made of the task a lot easier, especially with some of the properties being so new and road names were not yet in place.

The RAYNET teams completed the task in the early evening and stood down. News reports say that residents were most appreciative of the efforts made to alert them. (UK RAYNET, Southhgate)

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>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KD8LWR repeater serving Washtenaw County, Michigan.

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RADIO LAW: KALISPELL MONTANA CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS DIVIDED OVER CITY CELLPHONE BAN AND HAM RADIO EXEMPTION

A draft cell phone ban for drivers in Kalispell, Montana from using cellphones while in motion has drawn mixed responses from City Council members. This is because one council member seems to object to exemptions made for users of other portable and fixed vehicle electronics including ham radio gear.

The current proposal mirrors bans enacted in most other Montana cities. The draft ordinance would prohibit people from using handheld electronic communication devices such as cell phones while they are driving or riding a bike. Breaking the law would be considered as a primary offense and civil infraction punishable by fines up to $100 for

a first offense and $300 for later offenses.

However some council members don't feel that the proposed ban goes far enough. Council person Kari Gabriel questioned why the ordinance does not include portable music devices such as iPods. She also expressed concern about an exemption in the ordinance for people who hold amateur radio operator licenses.

In a statement quoted by the press, Gabriel said that she does not think the overall idea is bad, but the ordinance is not written as it should be. In other words hinting that it should be far more inclusive.

Other council members raised concerns about how the ban would be enforced and how effective it would be with so many other activities contributing to distracted driving. Some of them expressed hope for a countywide or even statewide ban on all such activities. (Daily Interlake)

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RADIO LAW: FCC PLANS HEARINGS ON EFFECTS OF HURRICANE SANDY

The FCC plans to hold several field hearings on the challenges faced by communications networks in the wake of Hurricane Sandy.

Though the agency focused on wired and wireless phones in the announcement, the commission also included broadcasting, noting its experts will want to know how the power held up in studios and at transmitter sites.

Specifically, the agency is asking things like: When commercial power is unavailable, how long should back-up power sources be expected to last?

Beginning in the New Year, the hearings will focus on the challenges faced by communications service providers, state and local officials, emergency personnel and consumers before, during and after Sandy as well as other natural disasters. Business representatives, public safety officials, engineering and academic experts, consumers and other stakeholders will take part.

New York Senator Chuck Schumer had called for the commission to develop a roadmap to better protect critical communications functions during major disasters. (RW)

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ON THE SCREEN: HAMS PROVIDE REALISTIC WAR DEPARTMENT SET FOR FILM LINCOLN

Members of the Morse Telegraph Club are reported to have played an important role in the production of the Steven Speilberg motion picture "Lincoln."

Jim Wades, WB8SIW, is the International President of the Morse Telegraph Club. He says that several members provided period telegraph instruments for use in the construction of the War Department Set.

Jim Wades was employed as a Technical Advisor for the production, worked with set designers over a period of months to develop the War Department telegraph scenes. Wades coordinated the process of procuring the necessary instruments and served as a historical consultant as the telegraph scenes were developed. Most notably W1TP, WB0TUA, N7JKD and Roger Reinke provided telegraph instruments to equip the sixteen operating positions portrayed at the War Department set.

Nine of the sixteen telegraph positions depicted in the War Department were fully operational. These instruments could be operated in any combination through the use of a specialized computer program and terminal units custom built by WB8SIW for the process. When necessary, a hand key could be inserted in the individual telegraph loops so messages could be improvised

Jim Wilson, K4BAV, and his son, Matt Wilson had minor roles as Extras. K4BAV also worked with production staff and the actors to explain telegraph technology and the role of the telegrapher.

The Morse Telegraph Club is an association of retired railroad and commercial telegraphers, historians, radio amateurs and others with an interest in the history and traditions of telegraphy and the telegraph industry. (ARRL, RAC, WIA)

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HAM RADIO ON STAGE: TITANIC RADIO SIGNAL MAN INSPIRES NEW STAGE SHOW

The Western Mail newspaper reports that the man who picked up the distress signal from the Titanic over his amateur radio from his shed in Pontllanfraith has inspired a new stage drama.

Called Whispers On The Waves, the play was motivated by the real life story of Welsh wireless operator Artie Moore. Moore is reported to have heard a distress signal from Titanic before news of the disaster arrived in the UK.

The cast of the show features children from Meadowbank School in Cardiff. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/titanic-stage-show. (Western Mail)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: 2013 SOUTHEASTERN VHF SOCIETY CONFERENCE

The 2013 Southeastern VHF Society Conference, sponsored by the Florida Weak Signal Society, will be held next April 19th and 20th. This at the Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront in Cocoa Beach, Florida.

Planned so far are a full slate of events including, a surplus tour, antenna range and noise figure testing, a Friday luncheon and Friday

night flea market. The Saturday night banquet will have awards for the best paper and the best presentation.

For more information plase check on-line at www.svhfs.org or contact Chuck Hoover, K0VXM, by e-mail to k0vxmfl (at) gmail (dot) com. (K0VXM)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: PROTECTED BEETLE SPECIES CAUSES CANCELLATION OF 2013 PALM SPRINGS HAMFEST

The Palm Springs Hamfest slated for Saturday, January 26th 2013 has been cancelled due to an endangered species of bug that lives in and around the shows venue. This after the city of Riverside County, California, acts to protect the Dinocoma Brunnescens beetle habitat.

Nope we are not kidding. According the Desert RATS Amateur Radio Club that sponsors the event part of the area in which previous Palm Springs Hamfest had been held has been deemed a protective habitat for this creature of nature. As such, it is therefore no longer available as an event site. And to make matters worse, the radio club was not notified of the situation in time to locate another venue for the 2013 event.

Current plans are to hold the next Palm Springs Hamfest the third weekend in March of 2014 at a venue that is ham radio friendly rather than beetle protected. In the meantime the Desert Rats says that it regrets any inconvenience to those who already made travel and accommodation plans.

For further information you may contact Desert RATS Past President, Peter Reinzuch, VE7REZ by e-mail to ve7rez (at) gmail (dot) com. (Desert RATS ARC)

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SUPERSTITION HAMFEST DELAYED. TO BE RESCHEDULED FOR EARLY 2013.

The Superstition Arizona Hamfest, that was originally slated for Saturday, December 1st has been pushed back at least 60 days. This due to what's being termed as a last minute paperwork timing issue.

According to Larry Kuck, WB7C, the problem arose on the Monday before the hamfest and sponsors were not able to resolve it in time to keep the scheduled date. Kuck advises that those who have purchased Main Prize drawing tickets are advised to hold on to them as they will be good toward the same drawing when the hamfest is held sometime in early 2013.

For further updates on the delay and to what for the new date please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/superstition-delayed. (WB7C, QRZ.com)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RADIO WORLD EXCELLENCE IN ENGINEERING AWARD WINNER ANNOUNCED

Turning to names in the news, word that Paul Brenner will receive the 2012 Radio World Excellence in Engineering Award from the editors of Radio World. Brenner is senior vice president and chief technology officer for Emmis Communications. He also is originator of the HD Radio data distribution consortium business model and serves as president of the Broadcaster Traffic Consortium, LLC (BTC).

Radio World is a newspaper for broadcast radio managers and engineers. Recipients of the Radio World Excellence in Engineering Award are said to represent the highest ideals of the U.S. radio broadcast engineering profession and reflect those ideals through contributions to the industry. The announcement of Brenner's selection was made by U.S. Editor in Chief Paul J. McLane (RW)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ARRL CEO INTERVIEWED BY URGENT COMMUNICATIONS MAGAZINE

ARRL Chief Executive Officer Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, has attributed the increased popularity in ham radio in part to the do-it-yourself movement that is sweeping the country and the world.

Author Glenn Bischoff of Urgent Communications magazine took the opportunity to interview K1ZZ while he was visiting New York. Sumner is quoted as saying that the perception is that we're stuck in the Sixties. But the number of licenses continues to grow. In fact, this is the sixth straight year of growth.

K1ZZ attributed at least part of the increased popularity in part to the do-it-yourself movement. He noted that so-called D-I-Y clubs are popping up from coast to coast.

You can read the entire article on-line at urgentcomm.com/blog/singing-praises-unsung-heroes (Southgate)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: 2013 INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE AND LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND

While its still months away, plans are already going forward for the 3013 International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend as we hear from Jim

Linton, VK3PC:

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The 100th registration for this event is in. It comes from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club, Emden clubstation DL0EM at the Campen Lighthouse, on the North Coast of Germany.

Active since 1891 with Germany's most powerful lighthouse lamp, in the mouth of the Ems River, and with its lattice tower construction it stands 65 metres or 213 feet tall.

Listen for clubstation DL0EM with a team of operators on the HF bands.

The International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend is an annual fun and friendly event sponsored by the Ayr Radio Group on the third full weekend of August.

The basic objective is to promote public awareness of the historic structures and their need for preservation, promotion of amateur radio and to foster international goodwill.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline this is Jim Linton VK3PC.

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If you would like to know more or register online for the next event on August the 17th and 18th visit the website illw dot net

(VK3PC)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: YOUNGSTERS ON THE AIR THE SUMMER 2013

IARU Region 1 Youth Coordinator Lisa Leenders, PA2LS sends us word on plans for next years European Youth Radio Camp or YOTA. Amateur Radio Newsline's Heather Embee, KB3TZD, has more:

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During the summer of 2013, a youth radio camp called Youngsters on the Air will be held in Estonia. The event is being organized by the Estonian Radio Amateurs Union. During this week teams of young radio amateurs from 10 different European countries will be participating in different ham radio related activities. These include presentations, competitions, visiting radio stations and much more.

A team consists of a team leader, who could be an older person, and 4 team members ranging in the age from 14 to 25. There will be 10 teams in total representing different European member associations of IARU Region 1.

This outstanding ham radio youth event will take place near the city of Tartu. If you are in Europe and if your organization is interested in taking part, please respond not later than December 20th by means of

the downloadable form that you will find on-line at tinyurl.com/European-youth-radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Heatrer Embee, KB3TZD, reporting from Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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The date for this European ham radio youth outing are August 5th to the 12th of 2013. And as previous events in Romania and a combined outing in the Netherlands and Belgium have shown, this will be an amazing experience for the young hams which they will not soon forget. (IARU Region 1)

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RADIO PHENOMA: IRELAND IS CAMPBELL ISLAND'S ANTIPODE

The much-anticipated DXpedition to Campbell Island, a sub-Antarctic island south of New Zealand, is now underway. And now comes word that Campbell Island's antipode which is described as the point on the Earth's surface diametrically opposite to its location is not far off the south-west coast of Ireland.

Nigel Cawthore, is G3TXF, in Surry, England. He has pointed out that this should provide considerable propagation enhancement across the spectrum for Ireland stations near the antipode. This due to the phenomenon of antipodean focusing which at least in theory can boost signal levels between stations located near their respective sides of the path.

Or to put it another way, those with hams living in Cork and Kerry may be very popular over the next few weeks. (IRTS)

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DX

In DX, H44RK will be active as 5W0RK from Samoa between December 8th and March 3rd from Samoa. Operations will be on 20 through 10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via NR6M.

W8YCM will be on the air stroke 6Y5 from Jamaica until the new year. Hes been heard on 17 through 10 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

ZS6RI will be active from Lesotho for 20 weeks beginning December 17th using the call 7P8RI from Lesotho. Operations will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via details are at QRZ.com.

TA3J will be active stroke Oh N from various locations in Belgium between December 7th and the 11th. Operations will be on 160 through 2 meters using SSB and FM. QSL to his home callsigneau

And word that JH1NBN will be active from both Pohnpei Island and Yap Island in the not to distant future. He will use the call V63AQ and will be operational on the High Frequency bands using SSB. Moire details to follow. QSL via home call.

N2GG will be on the air as C6AGG from Grand Bahama Island through December 13th. Activity is holiday style on 80 through 10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. QSL via N2GG.

The Italian Dxpedition Team has announced that its next operation will be from Burkina Faso between February and March 2013. This will be a 15 day affair on all bands and using all modes. The pilot station for HF operation is IK7JWY, and the pilot for 6 meter band is IK0FTA with real time logging on line by IH9GPI. More o this upcoming operation is on-line at i2ysb.com/idt

Lastly, K7ZO will be active from Nicaragua as YN5ZO through December 10th. Operations will be on 40 through 10 meters, including 30, 17 and 12 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL via K7ZO direct or using Logbook of the World.

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CELEBRATING THE MAYAN END OF THE WORLD

Finally this week, according to one of the three Mayan Calendars, the end of the world will occur on December 21, 2012. And to celebrate this possibly once in a lifetime event, special event station N-Zero-D which stands for Now Zero Days will be activated on 80 through 10 meters and on several satellite passes for three days during and after the planets destruction. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, takes a look at the operation and what the Mayans say is to come:

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According to the event planners down in Texas, December 20th will be the celebration of the end of the world. December 21, the day of destruction, they will be on the air as long as possible. As to December 22nd, well that is a little iffy right now.

And less we forget to mention it, you too can become an Official Doomsday Station by registering at www.nowzerodays.com . Those who do will receive a registration number and the authority to identify yourself as "Official Doomsday Station" followed by your Official Doomsday Number.

Official Doomsday stations will receive the Doomsday Station Certificate. Stations contacting at least 10 Official Doomsday Stations during the event will be recognized on the group's website. If there still is one.

QSL's with Self Addressed Stamped Envelope to KK5W at the address on QRZ.com. If Doomsday actually does happen, the event sponsors regret

that a QSL will not be possible so hold on to your QSL card and SASE at least until December 22nd.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, waiting it out here in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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And if we might add a suggestion of our own: If that particular Mayan calendar is correct and December 21st is to be the end of the world, we are told that the best way to enjoy it is to watch it all implode from your picture window table at Milliways. That's the famed restaurant at the end of the universe. You can find complete directions on how to get there in your copy of the Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy authored by the late Douglas Adams. And most important of all, don't forget to bring along your Babblefish and at least one clean towel. (N0D)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, in Charleston, West Virginia, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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2497. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 7 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 11:10:32 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba2121894fa89b04d0414340@google.com>
Source record: 1264
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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The 100th registers for ILLW

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/K-8OIE4BqxU/the_100th_registers_for_illw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

For the International Lightouse and Lightship Weekend the 100th
registration comes from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club, Emden clubstation
DL0EM at the Campen Lighthouse, on the North Sea Coast of Germany

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Ham Radio Since 1911: WSU's Radio Club Continues to Build

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XdDEhsRkrIE/ham_radio_since_1911.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

TMC News reports that Washington State University's Amateur Radio Club
prefers the classics when it comes to communicating

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HamRadioNow - Packet Radio Hailing Channel

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CBNeLcI860Q/hamradionow_packet_radio_hailing_channel.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest episode of HamRadioNow discusses a packet radio hailing channel
and a new data-radio that does 56 kbps on 70cm

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gKT4CMzcLuY/december_07.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio
Club

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu

rner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu
rner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Foreign licensees in South Korea

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ia3iu_DmohA/foreign_licensees_in_south_
korea.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The following rules apply to foreign amateur radio licensees in South Korea

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New inexpensive open source AVR ISP programmer now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ceb6kFjcaJ8/etherprog.htm?utm_source=fe
edburner&utm_medium=email

EtherProg is a bare-bones Atmel AVR in-system programmer (ISP) kit based on
the open source vusbtiny firmware

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Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity

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e_of_humanity.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The German amateur radio club DARC introduced an application to the IARU
Region 1 Conference 2011 in Sun City to take steps to protect the Morse
code as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity

2498. The ARRL Letter for December 6, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 15:45:29 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121207125459.89B0A26D41C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1265
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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The last ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News for 2012 will be published
Thursday, December 13. The ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will resume
on Thursday, January 10, 2013.

==> + AMATEUR RADIO IN SPACE: NASA NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR
HOSTING A REAL-TIME CONVERSATION WITH ISS CREWMEMBERS

NASA is now accepting proposals from US schools, museums, science
centers and community youth organizations -- individually or working
together -- to host an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station
(ARISS <http://ariss.rac.ca/oindex.htm>) contact between May 1, 2013
and November 1, 2013. To maximize these radio contact opportunities,
NASA is looking for organizations that will draw large numbers of
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participants and integrate the contact into a well-developed education plan. Radio contacts are approximately 10 minutes in length. ARISS contacts are supported by the program's US partners -- the ARRL and AMSAT <http://www.amsat.org/> -- and their member volunteers, as well as other international space agencies and Amateur Radio partners. Proposals are due January 28, 2013.

Interested parties can visit the ARRL website <http://www.arrl.org/amateur-radio-on-the-international-space-station> or the NASA Teaching From Space website <http://www.nasa.gov/education/tfs/ariss> for information about proposal requirements and how to submit a proposal, as well as links to audio and videos of archived contacts. Five information sessions are also available for groups who are considering submitting an ARISS proposal. Access to the Internet and a telephone line are required to connect to a session. Information on how to sign up for these sessions is available on the ARRL and NASA websites.

==> + ON THE AIR: ROOKIES RIDE THE WAVE IN THE ARRL CW ROOKIE ROUNDUP

Newly licensed CW buffs can get their copying skills in shape on Sunday, December 16 as the CW edition of the ARRL Rookie Roundup takes to the airwaves! The Rookie Roundup combines a competitive event with some on-the-air training, with the goal of bringing fun and Elmering into the 21st century. Who is a Rookie? Any amateur licensed for three years or less, regardless of license class. If you received your license in 2010, 2011 or 2012, you're eligible to compete as a Rookie; stations licensed before 2010 can only submit checklogs, but they will be recognized in the final results. Old Timers are encouraged to get on the air and work the Rookies. This is an immediate, hands-on way to teach good operating practices to those just getting started. The Rookie Roundup is also an excellent activity for clubs, offering a chance for club members to open their doors to those newer club members. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/rookies-ride-the-wave-in-the-arrl-cw-rookie-roundup>.

==> + FCC NEWS: KANSAS HAM ISSUED $10,000 FINE FOR OPERATION OF UNLICENSED BROADCAST STATION

On December 5, Glen Rubash, KC0GPV, of Dwight, Kansas, was issued a $10,000 fine for what the FCC called "willfully and Repeatedly" violating Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 88.3 MHz in Manhattan, Kansas.

In response to a complaint, agents from the FCC's Kansas City office used direction finding equipment techniques to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions on the frequency 88.3 MHz. According to a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture issued on December 6, agents found an FM transmitting antenna mounted on a pole next to a residence in Manhattan, Kansas on September 26, 2012. The agents

determined that the signals on 88.3 MHz exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 and therefore required a license. The FCC noted that its records showed that no authorization was issued to Rubash or to anyone else for operation of an FM broadcast stations at or near this location. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/kansas-ham-issued-10-000-fine-for-operation-of-unlicensed-broadcast-station>.

==> ARRL IN ACTION: WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO LATELY?

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which covers the month of November -- takes a look at the November elections for ARRL Director and Vice Director, the new QST app for Apple devices, bug fixes for ARRL's Logbook of The World, W1AW activities, , reports from the Official Observer Desk and more. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-in-action-what-have-we-been-up-to-lately-52>.

==> + ON THE AIR: ARRL UHF/MICROWAVE BAND PLAN COMMITTEE SEEKS INPUT ON 6 AND 3 CENTIMETER BANDS

Last year, in recognition of the need to update the published band plans for our UHF and microwave bands, the ARRL Board of Directors formed the UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee to develop revised national plans for the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. After receiving extensive user input, the committee completed its task and the resulting band plans were approved by the Board in July 2012. The committee has now received an additional assignment to conduct a similar update to the 6 and 3 centimeter bands. In order to do this effectively, the committee needs to know how various segments of these bands are now being utilized around the country. You can help them by sharing what you know about local usage in your area and by asking other users -- both individuals and groups -- to do the same. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-uhf-microwave-band-plan-committee-seeks-input-on-6-and-3-centimeter-bands>.

==> ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award close December 31, 2012. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

As one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need. Read more here

<http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2012-international-humanitarian-award>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: Solar activity declined again this week, with the average daily sunspot numbers dropping 17.8 points, from 78.9 to 61.1, while the average daily solar flux declined 19.4 points, from 121 to 101.6. The latest prediction from NOAA/USAF has the solar flux at 105 and 110 on December 6-7, 115 on December 8-9, 120, 125 and 130 on December 10-12, 135 on December 13-17, then 130, 125 and 120 on December 18-20, 115 on December 21-23, and back down to 110 on December 24-27. The predicted planetary A index is 5 on December 6-13, 8 on December 14-15, 5 on December 16-28, and rising to 8 on December 29-30. Look for more on the ARRL website on Friday, December 7. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> + ARRL RECOGNIZES: ROBERT BASTONE, WC3O, WINS NOVEMBER QST COVER PLAQUE AWARD

The winner of the November QST Cover Plaque award is Robert Bastone, WC3O, for his article "A Different Way to Assemble PL-259 Coax Plugs <http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201211/index.php?startid=34>." Congratulations Robert! The QST Cover Plaque Award -- given to the author or authors of the best article in each issue -- is determined by a vote of ARRL members on the QST Cover Plaque Poll web page <http://www.arrl.org/cover-plaque-poll>. Cast a ballot for your favorite article in the December issue today.

==> + RAC ANNOUNCES NEW INCOMING QSL BUREAU ADDRESS

Effective immediately, Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC <http://www.rac.ca/>) has instituted a new, centralized address for its Incoming QSL Bureau: RAC National Incoming QSL Bureau, Box 51, Saint John, NB E2L 3X1, Canada. RAC International Affairs Officer George Gorsline, VE3YV, told the ARRL that hams should no longer send any cards through the provincial QSL bureaus. Please direct any questions regarding this new policy to Gorsline via e-mail <ve3yv@rac.ca>.

==> + NEW QUICKSTATS POLL NOW AVAILABLE ON ARRL WEBSITE

Four new poll questions have just been published on the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> on the ARRL website. Let your voice be heard!

Questions in this month's QuickStats poll:

- What is your outlook for Amateur Radio in 2013?
- How do you feel about a possible low frequency allocation <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-seeks-to-assign-entire-amateur-portion-of-160-meter-band-to-primary-status-to-amateur-radio-serv>

for US amateurs?
- Have you added the new digital QST app
<http://www.arrl.org/news/em-qst-em-there-s-an-app-for-that> to your
iPad, iPhone or iPod touch?
- Is your call sign on prominent display at your home station?

Visit the QuickStats page <http://www.arrl.org/quickstats> and be sure
to bookmark it in your browser. Results from this QuickStats poll will
be published in the March 2013 issue of QST on the QuickStats page,
located in the rear advertising section of the magazine. Along with
monthly poll results, QST QuickStats offers colorful charts and graphs
that highlight interesting Amateur Radio statistics.

==> THIS WEEK IN RADIOSPORT

This week:

- December 7 -- NCCC Sprint
- December 8-9 -- ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>;
International Naval Contest
- December 9 -- SKCC Weekend Sprintathon; CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe
Run
- December 12 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint; NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint
- December 12-13 -- CWops Mini-CWT Test

Next week:

- December 14 -- NCCC Sprint; Russian 160 Meter Contest
- December 15 -- OK DX RTTY Contest; Feld Hall Sprint
- December 15-16 -- Croatian CW Contest
- December 16 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (CW)
<http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>; QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew
Sprint
- December 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest
Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update
<http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest
Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more
information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out
the ARRL Special Event Stations web page
<http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-
1>,
Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma;
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho

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2499. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 7 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 17:11:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04447ff75d20e404d0464e0d@google.com>
Source record: 1266
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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D*STAR on 10 meters and 6 meters-- Yes you can !!!

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 12:59 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371081-D*STAR-on-10-meters-and-6-meters-Yes-you-can-!!!&goto=newpost

Icom just came out with a new radio which does DC to daylight named the
IC-9100 which can take a new DSTAR board and will enable the user to

work D*STAR simplex on 6 meters and 10 meters, so this effectively moves
DSTAR into HF.

I would appreciate anyone who buys one of these to try it out and comment
on the propogation and contacts they make on either band.

73 all,

Bob Rice, Kilo Golf Four Romeo Romeo November

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HamRadioNow: FlexRadio SDR Update; A Packet Hailing Channel?; New Life for
Net-44?

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 08:47 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371048-HamRadioNow-FlexRadio-SDR-Update-A-Packet-Hailing-Channel-New-Life-for-Net-44&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episodes 36 and 37 from the ARRL/TAPR DCC

Episode 36: FlexRadio ☐ SDR Architecture. This is a bit of a dog and pony
show from FlexRadio's

Stephen Hicks N5AC, but they've got some really talented dogs and ponies.
With their new 6000 Series,

Flex has moved the SDR power from your PC into their box. Stephen explains
why, and he presents

plenty of basic and advanced SDR concepts, so you'll get your money's worth.

HamRadioNow

Episode 37: A Hailing Channel for Packet Radio? / Revising Net-44.

NW Digital Radio's Bryan Hoyer K7UDR and John Hays K7VE share the stage to update

two aspects of Packet Radio. First, Bryan aims as solving the problem of keeping all local activity

on the same page, but not on the same frequency. His recommendation: APRS. Paging Bob

Bruninga! Are you cool with this? (well... he's in the audience, so you'll see). Bryan also reviews their

new company's first product, a "smart" UHF data radio with an Ethernet/browser interface that can

generate multiple data modes at up to 56 kbps. Next, John recalls the "old" AMPRNET Net-44

domain and sees plenty of new uses for it in todays connected world.

HamRadioNow

The ARRL/TAPR DCCis an annual, three-day conference featuring presentations on a variety of

technical and operational aspects of Amateur Radio. This year's DCC, held in Atlanta last

September, had 16 of the 45-minute main presentations, the usual Saturday banquet talk,

and a four-hour "deep dive" into GNU radio on Sunday. HamRadioNow videotaped all the talks,

and we are now releasing them on-line. We'll continue with one or two a week until

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2500. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 7 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 17:26:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0444ec8bfb349904d046832a@google.com>
Source record: 1267
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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VP2VGG British Virgin Islands Dec 7-9 ARRL 10M Contest

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 05:42 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371112-VP2VGG-British-Virgin-Islands-Dec-7-9-ARRL-10M-Contest&goto=newpost

K6TOP (Kevin) and K6CLS (Cliff) will be active from the British Virgin
Islands as VP2VGG for the ARRL 10M contest Dec 8-9 2012.

QSL via LotW (preferred) or K6CLS direct

2501. eHam.net News for Friday 7 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-07 23:43:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f923d3c34c7ee04d04bc88a@google.com>
Source record: 1268
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:39 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29479

This Week in Radiosport:

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NASA Accepting Applications for Hosting a Real-Time Conversation with ISS:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:39 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29478

NASA is now accepting proposals from US schools, museums, science centers and community youth organizations -- individually or working together -- to host an Amateur Radio on the International Space Station contact between May 1, 2013
and November 1, 2013. To maximize these radio contact opportunities, NASA is looking for organizations that will draw large numbers of participants and integrate the contact into a well-developed education plan.

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Rookies Ride the Wave in the ARRL CW Rookie Roundup:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:38 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29477

Newly licensed CW buffs can get their copying skills in shape on Sunday, December 16 as the CW edition of the ARRL Rookie Roundup takes to the airwaves! The Rookie Roundup combines a competitive event with some on-the-air training, with the goal of bringing fun and Elmering into the 21st century.

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KS Ham Issued $10,000 Fine for Operation of Unlicensed Broadcast Station:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:37 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29476

On December 5, Glen Rubash, KC0GPV, of Dwight, Kansas, was issued a $10,000 fine for what the FCC called "willfully and Repeatedly" violating Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 88.3 MHz in

Manhattan, Kansas.

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ARRL in Action: What Have We Been Up To Lately?

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:38 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29475

This feature is a concise monthly update of some of the things that
the ARRL is doing on behalf of its members. This installment -- which
covers the month of November -- takes a look at the November elections
for ARRL Director and Vice Director, the new QST app for Apple devices,
bug fixes for ARRL's Logbook of The World, W1AW activities, reports
from the Official Observer Desk and more.

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ARRL UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee Seeks Input on 6 and 3 cm Bands:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:37 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29474

Last year, in recognition of the need to update the published band
plans for our UHF and microwave bands, the ARRL Board of Directors
formed the UHF/Microwave Band Plan Committee to develop revised
national plans for the amateur bands between 902 MHz and 3.5 GHz. After
receiving extensive user input, the committee completed its task and
the resulting band plans were approved by the Board in July 2012.

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ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian Award:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:36 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29473

Nominations for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award close
December 31, 2012. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs
who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international
understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual
prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to
provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

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RAC Announces New Incoming QSL Bureau Address:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:36 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29472

Effective immediately, Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) has instituted a new,
centralized address for its
Incoming QSL Bureau:

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New QuickStats Poll Now Available on ARRL Website:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:35 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29471

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Re-introduction of the DVRPTR_V1 Boards:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:35 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29470

Increased demand for a low-cost solution for building hotspots and repeaters, encouraged the re-introduction of the proven DVRPTR_V1 boards as a viable alternative to the existing offering.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #50:

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 01:06 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29469

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by NC1L, TA3J, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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ARNewsline Report 1843 -- Dec 7 2012:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 05:34 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29468

The following is a QST. Hams provide emergency communications as a massive typhoon hits the Philippines; The IARU Region 3 Monitoring System notes an increase in the number of intrusions into the amateur radio bands; hams in Taiwan say that they are in need of additional operating spectrum and the FCC plans to hold several hearings on the communications breakdowns caused by Hurricane Sandy. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1843 coming your way right now.

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Restore 1.9-2.0 MHz to Primary Status?

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 09:59 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29449

In ET Docket 12-338 the FCC proposes to raise the secondary amateur service allocation in the 1900-2000 kHz band segment to primary status, providing amateur radio operators nearly exclusive use of the band. At present, amateur use of the top half of the 160m band is on a secondary basis,

shared with Radiolocation beacons that have priority over amateurs on any shared frequency.

2502. HOT VIDEOS 2 HOT PEOPLE AND ACTRESSES NEVER SEEN PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-08 01:23:07 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <b1bb0502-137d-4d3f-9307-8e4788e263ae@b4g2000pby.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1269

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

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networking jobs
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/networking-jobs.html
datawarehousing jobs
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2503. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 7 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-08 03:31:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fc51ea7c04d04ef8be@google.com>
Source record: 1270
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Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio seminar to take place Dec. 15 - Brazil Times

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 02:44 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFs1Way_ziahHm4_hS7UY4O1WAhsA&url=http://www.thebraziltimes.com/story/1920874.html

Amateur radio seminar to take place Dec. 15
Brazil Times
Through the ARRLs Amateur Radio Emergency Services program, ham volunteers provide both emergency communications for thousands of state and local emergency response agencies and non-emergency community services as well, all for free. To learn ...
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HAM radio operators recognized by Skywarn - KATV

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 08:13 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGblzW3keWqiLbKnV77bwrUHW_xCw&url=http://www.katv.com/story/20237548/ham-radio-operators-recognized-by-skywarn

HAM radio operators recognized by Skywarn
KATV
(KATV) Amateur radio fans, sometimes called HAM radio operators joined Saturday to celebrate their work with the National Weather Service. Skywarn recognition day honors the volunteers who assist the National Weather Service. The amateur radio ...

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Kline students to quiz astronauts in space - Daily Pilot

Posted: 04 Dec 2012 03:56 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF2pwdOOYAr7HvlOQu_IZ6QyWsyiQ&url=http://www.dailypilot.com/news/tn-dpt-kline-students-to-quiz-astronauts-in-space-20121204,0,5150720.story

Kline students to quiz astronauts in space
Daily Pilot
Kline participated in the Space Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment that let students talk to a shuttle in orbit. Amateur radio operator Doug Borcoman

had contacted the shuttle through the ham radio program a few times in the early 90s. In 1994, his son ...

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HAM radio reaches out for SKYWARN Recognition Day - Today's THV

Posted: 01 Dec 2012 02:08 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH5uY8EIZGy2sAkNmplYw12EztveA&url=http://www.todaysthv.com/news/article/236871/2/HAM-radio-reaches-out-for-SKYWARN-Recognition-Day

Today's THV
HAM radio reaches out for SKYWARN Recognition Day
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... honors for SKYWARN Recognition Day Friday and Saturday, November 30 - December 1, at the North Little Rock NWS office. HAM radio contacted as many other NWS offices to honor the service that amateur radio operators provide during server weather.

2504. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 8 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-08 11:41:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340e25604a5404d055d14f@google.com>
Source record: 1271
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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GB2BP QRT

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1s-oRi1pRZo/gb2bp_qrt.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is with a great sadness we say that, during the weekend of the 15/16th
December 2012, GB2BP will be making its final appearance as the resident
Amateur Radio station from, what has been its home for the past 18 years,
Bletchley Park

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Mission confirmed: British singer Brightman to blast off to space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nfDCopmaN6I/british_singer_brightman_to_blast_off_to_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Space Adventures agency has confirmed that Phantom of the Opera star
Sarah Brightman has signed an agreement with the Russian Space Agency and
secured herself a space trip in 2015

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Free CubeSat Workshop in Milton Keynes

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zRTnkm3kokg/free_cubesat_workshop_in_milton_keynes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK Space Agency will be running a free CubeSat Community Workshop at
Milton Keynes on January 22 that will include discussion on plans for
UKube-2

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New Hellschreiber Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TA0fhL4PEDc/new_hellschreiber_award.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hellschreiber enables you to send text using facsimile technology and
there's a new award for using the mode, the Worked All Canada Award

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World Conference on International Telecommunications Dubai

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/dN_9BVr9G9w/world_conference_on_international_telecommunications_dubai.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UN internet regulation treaty being discussed in Dubai may according to
dot-nxt impact on amateur radio operators

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Microwave GHz pioneer Karl Ochs DJ6BU SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-Gl_Sn5z-pA/microwave_ghz_pioneer_karl_ochs_dj6bu_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The DARC reports that Karl Ochs DJ6BU passed away on Wednesday, December 5,
aged 73 after a difficult operation

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San Quentin inmates building satellite hardware

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qEUOizcUicI/san_quentin_inmates_building_satellite_hardware.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NBC News reports that inmates at San Quentin prison are building CubeSat
orbital deployers

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'Hello? What's your call sign? It's Marshall calling'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8uDn3x6RrIc/marshall_calling.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Redstone Rocket reports on Ham Radio at the Redstone Arsenal base in
Alabama

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Video: Science Museum talk, early broadcasting and 2LO transmitter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BlqYxApkHQE/science_museum_talk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Martin Ellen of bbceng.info has uploaded a video of a 30 minute talk he
gave at the Science Museum on 14 November 2002, the BBC's 80th anniversary.
It is on early British broadcasting and the 2LO transmitter, which he does
a guided tour of

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Vaillant boiler interference discussed at VERON meeting

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eg6nD5SW_9w/vaillant_boiler_interference.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Representatives from the Netherlands national society VERON and the VRZA
met their regulator recently and among topics discussed was interference
caused by Vaillant boilers on 144 MHz

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NASA - 'Black Marble' video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LDkkKqi3xkA/nasa_black_marble_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NASA have released a video and images showing the Earth at night

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Press report on RADARS success

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cnDT6DG3Tmk/press_report_on_radars_success.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The success of the Rochdale and District Amateur Radio Society in winning
the G5BY trophy is reported in the press

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Outbound International Reply Coupons Discontinued

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 08:14 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371180-Outbound-International-Reply-Coupons-Discontinued&goto=newpost

International Reply Coupons

Three respondents supported the discontinuance of selling international reply coupons, stating the Postal Service should ☐☐streamline☐☐ their product offering of low volume items. Ninety-one respondents opposed the discontinuance of international reply coupons. Of these, 63 respondents identified themselves as U.S. amateur radio operators who rely on international reply coupons to confirm radio contacts through the exchange of ☐☐QSL cards☐☐ and who stated that no other practical way exists for this kind of exchange. Some of the other comments from the group of 91 included the following statements:

(1) ☐☐In many countries, it☐s either illegal to possess or mail foreign currency, or currency is routinely stolen from the mail;☐☐

(2) ☐☐In many countries the amateur radio operators do not have funds available to answer QSL requests as their income is much lower than we consider average in the United States;☐☐

(3) ☐☐There is no alternative mechanism to supply foreign correspondents with return postage;☐☐ and

(4) ☐☐As a minimum, the USPS should continue to sell IRC☐s at the www.usps.com store or through a few dispersed Post Offices that would sell them by mail to people beyond reasonable driving distance.☐☐

As prescribed in the Postal Regulatory Commission☐s (PRC) Order No. 1541, the PRC approved the Postal Service☐s proposal to discontinue outbound international reply coupons, while retaining inbound international reply coupon service. The PRC determined that the proposal to discontinue outbound international reply coupons was not inconsistent with the statute, and acknowledged that the small number of consumers, such as amateur radio operators, who purchase international outbound reply coupons, will no longer be able to do so, but they will still have options. For countries to which money orders may be sent, once the U.S. sender ascertains (or estimates) the cost of sending the QSL card from the foreign country to the

U.S., the U.S. sender can obtain and send a money order in that amount. Finally, senders and recipients may find it more convenient and less costly to use an online payment service to transmit the cost of mailing a QSL card.

The Postal Service hereby adopts the following changes to Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual (IMM), which is incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations. See 39CFR 20.1.

Attached Files

2012-29434.pdf
(273.6 KB)

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1843 December 7 2012

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 05:43 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371113-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1843--December-7-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline□ Report 1843 □ December 7 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1843 with a release date of December 7, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. Hams provide emergency communications as a massive typhoon hits the Philippines; The IARU Region 3 Monitoring System notes an increase in the number of intrusions into the amateur radio bands; hams in Taiwan say that they are in need of additional operating spectrum and the FCC plans to hold several hearings on the communications breakdowns caused by Hurricane Sandy. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline□ report number 1843 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS PROVIDE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS IN WAKE OF TYPHOON BOPHA

When Typhoon Bopha hit the Philippines, it uprooted trees, downed power lines, sparked landslides and made 40,000 people head for shelters. And ham radio was out in the middle of it doing what it does best. Providing emergency communications as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline□s Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

2506. SARL News in English 8/12/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-08 17:41:42 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <5A4EE6965A9648E9AF6245D7D553775B@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1273
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS - SUNDAY 09 December 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it must be announced that the key of E I Terblanche, ZR2ET, became silent recently.

We extend our deepest sympathies to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

THE SARL ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND REACHES 10% OF ITS TARGET

ZS WORKED ALL GRID SQUARES AWARD

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DYNACUBE - Denel Dynamics Interns make good progress

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

THE SARL ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND REACHES 10% OF ITS TARGET

The SARL Antenna defence fund, launched last weekend, has already reached almost 10% of its R50 000 target. The fund currently stands at R4 800. A list of donors and details on why the SARL has launched the fund and why you should contribute can be found on www.sarl.org.za. Clubs are encouraged to follow the Kempton Park Amateur Radio Technical Society which made a handsome donation the past week. Thanks to KARTS and all radio amateurs who have thus far contributed. Your support for

amateur radio is much appreciated.

TWO EXPERT WORKGROUPS TO BE ESTABLISHED BY THE SARL

At the recent meeting of the Council of the SARL, it was decided to establish two expert workgroups to focus on technical and regulatory issues. The two groups will act in an advisory capacity to the SARL.

The Technology workgroup will focus on new developments; interact with the various SABS technical committees to monitor the development of standards that may impact on amateur radio and keep the amateur radio community abreast of new developments. One of the immediate tasks will be to coordinate the proposed 5 MHz sharing and propagation research project.

The Regulatory workgroup will focus on various regulatory issues such as frequency allocations, environmental and zoning regulations and building standards as well as any other regulations that may impact on amateurs radio.

The two workgroups will meet for the first time by teleconference in early January when the final terms of reference and a work programme will be discussed and finalised. Radio Amateurs with the expertise and/or interest in these or related fields and who are interested in joining one of the workgroups are invited to submit their names, background and contact details to the secretary of the SARL to secretary@sarl.org.za.

ZS WORKED ALL GRID SQUARES AWARD

Congratulations to Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT, for achieving the top ZS WAGS award for contacting all 83 grid squares in South Africa. So far only Pieter and Pierre, ZS6A (was ZS6BB), have achieved the highest level of this award.

The ZS Worked All Grid Squares (ZS WAGS) award was created in 2008 to encourage local on-air activity, and the award is currently managed by the Sandton Amateur Radio Club.

Over 50 awards have been granted since inception, and so far only two amateurs have reached the maximum of 83 grids. The full rules and current rankings may be obtained on the website of the Sandton ARC at www.zs6stn.org.za.

The objective of the award is to contact as many of the South African grid squares as possible. The "Hunter" award ranges from the entry-level 25 grids up to the maximum of 83 grids, and an award can also be endorsed for specific bands or modes of operation, such as 40 m only, satellite, QRP, etc. The "Activator" award is also granted to amateurs who make themselves available for at least 10 contacts from any of the less-populated grid squares.

CLUB AFFILIATION

The Southern Suburbs Amateur Radio Club, south of Johannesburg, affiliated last week with the SARL. The total number of affiliated clubs are now 31. For a list af affiliated clubs, visit www.sarl.org.za/public/ClubTalk/default.asp.

NEW MEMBER

The SARL welcomes Isak du Plessis, ZSL153, as a new member.

DYNACUBE - Denel Dynamics Interns make good progress

The 2012 Interns from the Denel Dynamics Engineering Academy of Learning have made good progress with their DynaCube Satellite project. The Interns are all engineers who last year graduated from various universities in South Africa and spend a year working on a project before they are assigned to various departments in the company. The 2012 Interns were tasked with designing, manufacturing and commissioning a 1 U Cube Satellite and its associated ground support systems. It was required that the satellite be launched into orbit and perform a relevant space science mission. The launch would be provided by an external launch provider.

The 20 Interns selected to participate in the 2012 programme were divided into three project teams. Each team was tasked with specific outcomes.

Team Ground Zero was responsible for the Ground Control Station as well as communications equipment on-board the satellite.

Team Virtuoso was responsible for the On-board Computer (OBC), the power system, the satellite structure and telemetry data.

It was decided, in the early stages of the project, that a duplicate satellite should be built which will remain on Earth. This satellite would allow the team to perform software maintenance and troubleshooting before the change or update is implemented on the satellite in orbit.

The main tasks of Team Frodo were to specify the satellite payload, the required sensors, the attitude control and the launch of the satellite.

The primary payloads are particle radiation sensors and structural temperature sensors. The radiation sensors will be used to map radiation density and distribution over the South Atlantic Anomaly. This is the area on the Earth's surface where the Van Allen radiation belts are closest to the surface. Numerous satellite hardware failures have been noted over this area.

The secondary payload is a camera capable of taking images and sending them to the OBC for storage. It was decided that a VGA serial JPEG camera would be used, as it would be able to take photographs fast enough to prevent blurring, whilst also doing its own image processing.

The launch will most likely only happen close to the end of 2013 and possibly only as late as the end of 2014. The funding of the launch,

which may be as high as R1 300 000, is a challenge that needs to be overcome.

All systems have been tested and are now ready for integration. Although the Interns have come to the end of their year and will start their careers in various departments of Denel Dynamics, they are dedicated to complete the project in their free time.

Currently three members of the group have obtained their amateur radio license while a few more members of the team are planning to write the May examination.

DynaCube frequencies have been coordinated by the IARU Satellite Advisory Panel to operate on a downlink of 145,980 MHz, an uplink on 435,050 MHz with a tracking beacon on 145,840 MHz.

2013 ARRL HARDCOVER HANDBOOK NOW IN SOUTH AFRICA

A limited number of the ARRL 2013 hardcover handbooks are now available from the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust. A lot has changed since the Handbook was first published in 1926. But just as was said of the ninth edition can be said of this 90th edition: Anyone who is at all interested in the technical side of radio can ill afford to be without The Radio Amateur's Handbook.

New content included in this latest edition includes

. New antenna projects, including a Low-band Quad, Delta Loops, Coaxial Dipoles for VHF or UHF, and a Skeleton Slot for 14-30 MHz . New material on power supply polarity protection circuits . 144 MHz band-pass filter for reducing harmonics . Updated Pebble Crusher QRP transmitter construction project . Design software on CD-ROM, including ElsieT filter and Pi-El matching networks .and more!

The book is available at R740 plus R60 packing and posting. SARL members get a special discount. SARL members pay only R670 plus R60 packing and posting.

CONTEST NEWS

The November leg of the 2012 SARL National Field Day was held on 17 and 18 November and 19 logs were received. The complete results have been published in HF Happenings 534.

The results are:

Class A - Multi Operator, Field Station 1st West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 136 680 points; 2nd Bloemfontein ARC, ZS4BFN, 97 680 points; 3rd Sasolburg ARC, ZS4SRK, and Pretoria ARC, ZS6PTA, 61 440 points each.

Class B - Multi Operator, QRP 1st East Rand ARC, ZS6ERB, 37 440 points.

Class C - Single Operator, Field Station 1st Peter Henochsberg, ZS1PMH, 13 968 points.

Class D - Single Operator, Field Station, QRP 1st Dirk Els, ZS6AKU, 10 368 points; 2nd Dennis Green, ZS4BS, 3 960 points; 3rd Eddie Leighton, ZS6BNE, 2 700 points.

Class E - General Stations 1st Pieter Jacobs, ZS6XT, 36 660 points; 2nd Pam Momberg, ZS6APT, 4 716 points; 3rd Marius Snyman, ZR6MS, 2 580 points.

Many stations lost points because of duplicate contacts, one log had 17 dupes! Congratulations to the winners.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at very low levels. In a period leading up to an expected solar maximum, things appear to be more like a solar minimum.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 51.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequent 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 31 January 2013 - Last day for submission of nominations for councilors for the next term and motions for the 2013 AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 16:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2507. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Saturday 8 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-08 19:06:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934065b64c16304d05c07d8@google.com>
Source record: 1274
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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RF Spreadsheet now online

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 10:37 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1965:rf-spreadsheet-now-online&catid=34:amateur--ham-radio-software--websites&Itemid=100004

Andy Foad (G0FTD) has made a collection of RF calculations available in an oline google spreadsheet.

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How to send @ or % in Morse Code

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 10:35 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1964:how-to-send--or--in-morse-code&catid=37:amateur--ham-radio-technical&Itemid=19

Many of those proficient in Morse might be stumped when it comes to sending @ or %, fortunately the ITU-R recommendation on International Morse Code provides an answer.

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How many UK Radio Hams are there?

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 10:33 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1963:how-many-uk-radio-hams-are-there&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

A quick glance at Ofcom amateur radio licence statistics might lead you to think there are 79,414 radio amateurs in the UK, but is it really closer to 40,000?

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Radio Ham interviewed on Swedish radio

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 10:28 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1962:radio-ham-interviewed-on-swedish-radio&catid=36:amateur--ham-radio-awards-and-contesting&Itemid=100002

A Swedish radio show featured an interview with radio amateur Hojun Song DS1SBO about his OSSI CubeSat.

2508. eHam.net News for Saturday 8 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-08 23:08:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba614b0c1b18ef04d05f6907@google.com>
Source record: 1275
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #49 de K7RA:

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 11:12 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29484

Solar activity declined again this week. Average daily sunspot
numbers dropped from 78.9 to 61.1, and average daily solar flux
declined from 121 to 101.6.
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2509. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 8 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-09 03:23:46 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec5299a1fa24cc604d062f957@google.com>
Source record: 1276
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 06 Dec 2012 11:59 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGF9tTQ-nmWBekDayEefT0LAC6p_w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/iota/2012/darc/december_07.htm

IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio News logo. Page last updated on: Friday, December 7, 2012. News Home Page Email this page to a friend IOTA Index. IOTA News from the. Deutscher Amateur Radio Club. 7 December, 2012. Island activities: AS-031, JD ...

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Chelmsford Talk - Selling Amateur Radio Equipment on E-Bay - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 12:55 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE7SXhGBxlWZSegbALvKTFsFO0-AQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/selling_amateur_radio_equipment_on_ebay.htm

Chelmsford Talk - Selling Amateur Radio Equipment on E-Bay
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Also that evening there will be a session on revaliding your Ofcom licence. The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) meeting takes place at the Great Baddow Parish Hall, 19 Maldon Road, Great Baddow, CM2 7DW at 7:30pm Friday, December 7.

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Planning sends ham radio tower on to council - Mount Shasta Herald

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 02:44 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHF8UPZPul1LlHQmN7s2Ukrlq6Etw&url=http://www.mtshastanews.com/article/20121128/NEWS/121129813

Planning sends ham radio tower on to council
Mount Shasta Herald
Commission Chairman Craig Porter asked why the requested amendment included windmills in addition to ham radio towers. "The staff is always trying to think outside the box," Alexander said. "Windmills are certainly becoming

more popular source of ...

and more

2510. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 9 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-09 11:35:16 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec5171cf962887b04d069d7bf@google.com>
Source record: 1277
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Doomed to Fail: FprEN 50561-1

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XwKp1T3alXI/doomed_to_fail.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Powerline Communication (PLC aka PLT) is able to pollute radio services and
to render a valuable natural resource useless

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Philippines - Typhoon Pablo

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Rx9fc_z7KYM/philippines_typhoon_pablo.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association report that due to the current
easterly track of Typhoon Pablo, PARA ARES has been re-activated.
Please monitor 7.095 MHz and 144.740 MHz

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Students hold radio tribute on Pearl Harbor Day

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cwoXnHcbNp0/students_hold_radio_tribute_on_pearl_harbor_day.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Lawton Constitution reports that students in the amateur radio club at
Eisenhower Middle School commemorated the 71st anniversary of Pearl Harbor

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The SARL Antenna Defence Fund reaches 10% of its target

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qKkFiOTIt7U/sarl_antenna_defence_fund_reaches_10%25_of_its_target.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SARL Antenna defence fund, launched last weekend, has already reached
almost 10% of its
R50 000 target. The fund currently stands at R4800

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Two expert workgroups to be established by the SARL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/KrDCHJusyJM/two_expert_workgroups_to_be_established_by_the_sarl.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

At the recent meeting of the Council of the South African Radio League, it was decided to establish two expert workgroups to focus on technical and regulatory issues

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/uQkqe6d8BHk/december_09.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Successful Ham Radio Seminar at Amity School

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jphoPP6AywI/successful_ham_radio_seminar_at_amity_school.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A seminar on Amateur Radio has been held at the Amity School of Engineering and Technology

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W5KUB live broadcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wajkEKdybHc/w5kub_live_broadcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next W5KUB.COM live broadcast will be a 'D-Star Live' event

2511. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 9 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-09 17:23:59 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e83a489505c04d06eb60a@google.com>
Source record: 1278
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Live Ham Radio broadcast

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 07:48 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371367-Live-Ham-Radio-broadcast&goto=newpost

Details of the next W5KUB.COM live broadcast are being finalized. It will be "D-Star Live" on Dec 29th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Central time. Lots of good stuff and special guests. Be sure to join us, ask questions to the experts. Join us at our broadcast facebook group athttps://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/ for updates.

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VI6AHR30

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 04:19 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371341-VI6AHR30&goto=newpost

VI6AHR30 is on air during January 2013 to help celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Hills Amateur Radio Group near Perth in VK6.

A special QSL card has been printed see http://www.qrz.com/db/VI6AHR30 for more info.

73s

2512. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1090

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-09 19:15:51 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <269181.72616.bm@smtp105.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1279
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1090
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1090

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1090
BID: $OPDX.1090
December 10, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, KH2AR/W4, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, W5JON, K6VVA, KH6BZF, W6SZN, ND7K, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, WA8JOC, AT International, DD0VR, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, G7VJR, H44RK, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, IW3SQY, LA4LN, OH9MM, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, VA3RJ & ICPO and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd-December, through Sunday, 9th-December there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL9, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5W, SAMOA ACTIVITIES (Update/Callsign Confusion).....
* Ralph, H44RK, who was originally expected to be active as 5W0RK or 5W0KR from Apia until March 3rd (2013) from Samoa, has informed OPDX

of the following [edit]: Hi All.... After a crazy week and weekend of packing, getting my licence and moving to Apia, Samoa, I have finally arrived. The good news is that I have my latest and permanent callsign 5W0W. After a lot of to and fro with suffixes 'RK' and 'KR'. So all is good that ends well, so they say, so 5W0W it is and have now set up QRZ.com for that. For those of you who made a contact with me on Sunday's ANZA DX net as 5W0KR.... well it is a valid one, but if you need a QSL card, I will have to disappoint, but I am sure we will make many more contacts with this final call. Thanks to you all for your understanding..... Best 73... Ralph, 5W0W"
Remember, his activity will be on 20-10 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via NR6M.

* NOW TO REALLY CONFUSE THE SITUATION! Ralph, VK4VB/5H3RK, was active from Samoa during this past week as 5W0RK (You confused yet!). Activity was on 17 meters CW/SSB, but by the time you read this he will probably be QRT. Ralph was there on business, but plans to be active from Samoa twice yearly until 2015. QSL via VK4VB.

AFRICAN ACTIVITY. Starting December 10th, Roger, LA4GHA, who works for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in East Africa, will be active as 5Z4/LA4GHA from Nairobi, Kenya, and from Garowe, Somalia (license not yet issued) for the next two years. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes, as time permits. QSL via LA4GHA, by the Bureau or direct. Look for more info to be forthcoming.

C6, BAHAMAS (Update/Another Callsign Confusion). Gil, N2GG, was active as C6AGG early in the week from Grand Bahama Island (NA-001). However, on December 4th, Gil's callsign was corrected to C6AEE. Gil states, "I was originally issued C6AGG in error by the Bahama authority. I will respond to any C6AGG QSL requests with a C6AEE QSL." Actually, C6AGG belongs to Carolyn Wardle of Nassau and has had the callsign for 22 years. Gil will be on the island until December 13th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using mostly SSB with some CW. QSL via N2GG.

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ. Several sources are reporting that a team of 10 operators will be active from Robinson Crusoe Island (SA-005) during mid-2013. It was also mentioned that this is the same group who activated D64K earlier this year. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

EC4, SPAIN (On the Birds!). John, K8YSE, reports: "Luis, EC4TR, is looking for North American stations to set up schedules with him. His grid square is IN80er. E-mail him at his QRZ.com E-mail address if you would like to contact him. FO-29 is over 1300km high during morning passes over the Atlantic now. AO-7 is always around 1450km and is in Mode B on odd days during December."

IOTA NEWS.....
EU-171. Michael, 5P1KZX, will be active from Vendsyssel-Thy/Nordjyl-land [aka North Jutland], Denmark, (DIA NJ-001) between December 23rd and January 9th (2013). Activity will be on all HF bands,

mainly using the Digital modes. Michael will try to be active
on the 160m during Christmas. QSL via his home callsign, direct,
by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL. See details on QRZ.com.

NA-054. You only have a few more days to work Rick, K6VVA, as C6AVA
from Berry Islands (WLOTA 1903). He will be active until
December 11th. Activity will be on 40/30/20/17 meters using
mainly CW with some SSB. NA-054 is needed by 90% of ASIA/JA
IOTA Claimants, 70% in EU and more than 60% in NA. Special
efforts will be made for JA which is a polar path route.
QSL only via N6AWD, direct or by the Bureau. For more infor-
mation and updates, visit: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na054

SA-022. Members of the Bahia Blanca DX Group (GDXBB) will be active
as L22D from Gama Island between January 24-27th (2013).
Activity will be on CW, SSB and PSK31. Operations will be on
all bands, possibly including the 17/12 meter bands. Look for
more details to be forthcoming. Also, watch the following Web
page at:
http://lu6evd.wordpress.com/2012/12/07/activacion-isla-gama-iota-sa-022

J3, GRENADA. Roy, KE4TG, will once again be active as J38RF from Grenada
(NA-024, WLOTA 0718) between February 6th and March 8th (2013). His primary
interest is the Digital modes (JT-65HF, PSK-31 and RTTY) using a K-3 with a
G5RV and phased vertical antennas. There may be some CW and SSB. Also some
operations on 60 meters. QSL via his home callsign direct (QRZ.com). Logs
will be uploaded to LoTW.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 10-16th)....
Dec/10th AN Dec/13th AN Dec/15th HN
Dec/11th HN-AN Dec/14th AN Dec/16th HN
Dec/12th AN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

OF3, FINLAND. Operators Marko/OH8KVY, Juha/OH9MM and possible others
will activate the club callsign OF3I this time from the Arctic Circle.
The operation takes place December 13-16th, including the OK DX RTTY
Contest (December 15th). QSL preferably via LoTW.

OJ0, MARKET REEF. A group of Belgian operators will be active as OJ0V
from Market Reef (EU-053, ARLHS MAR-001, WLOTA 0542) between July 1-6th
(2013). Operators mentioned are Jean-Pierre/ON5JT, Michel/ON6QO, Koen/

ON4CCP, Philippe/ON4LEM and Peter/ON8VP. Activity will be on the HF
bands using CW and SSB. QSL via ON8VP.

PT0S, ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL ROCKS. The following URLs will take you to
some pictures (63 pic) and videos on the recent PT0S DXpedition:
http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=457069160997422.91380.23349579335
4761&type=http://www.youtube.com/watch?&v=mihKWl2AA
http://www.youtube.com/watch?&v=ycL3ICKc8

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 9th)

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3B8BAE via K5XK FK8CE via LZ1JZ OX/OZ1LXJ via OZ1LXJ
5C2P via IK2PZC H44MS via DL2GAC P40CX via K8CX
5C5W via EA5XX HG8C via HA8EK PA12XMAS via PB5X
5H3CMG via ZR6CMG HG90ST via HA6NL PB12XMAS via PB5X
5W0RK via VK4VB II0TH via I0YCB PF35BTA via PA2BTA
5W0W via NR6M II0XMAS via M0OXO PF35FRAG via PI4FRG
9A55AX via 9A4J II3SB via IW3IE PF35WRD via PA2WRD
A65BP via UA6MF J6/KA9P via KA9P PJ2/K8ND via K8ND
A641ND via IZ8CLM J6/N7QT via N7QT S79DX via R9DX
AH0BT via 7L1FPU J6/W4VAB via W4VAB SI5Y via SM5BKK
CQ8PV via CU3AU J6/W5TDY via W5TDY SU9VB via UA4WHX
CW5W via CX6VM (d) J6/W6ABM via W6ABM TM4TLT via F4KIP
DL0DAN via DJ4BP L33M via LU1MA TM62LL via F8KHW
DL0WXR via DL7ARB LZ1500PNB via LZ1KCP V31NO via W3NO
DL125HHZ via DJ9BM OF9X via OH2BH VP2V/K6TOP via K6TOP
DP7X via DL6IAK OL1C via OK1ONA XU1A via JH1AJT
EA8/DJ6YC via DJ6YC ON101BOB via ON3EA XV2RZ via OH4MDY (d)
EA8/IK1PMR via IK1PMR OQ200HC via ON4CBU YN5ZO via K7ZO
EF5Y via EA5GTQ (L) OR200HC via ON3AIM ZF1EJ via K6AM
EH8FPA via EA8CZT OS3A via ON5SA ZP6LMR via K2DER
EN400UG via US5UZ OV1CDX via OZ1GML ZP9MCE via EA5ZD
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

CY0AA LOGS (1996). Ken, WA8JOC/CY0AA, reports that "effective 12/6/2012,
all 15000+ QSOs have been uploaded to LoTW. Direct only cards to W8RHM
for both HF and VHF/UHF will be required in the future for QSLs. Paper
QSL cards will be processed with appropriate return envelope and
postage. NO further Bureau cards will be processed. 16 years is long
enough to delay requests for a needed QSL.. Once again, this is ONLY
for the 1996 CY0AA Expedition."

LOG AVAILABLE. The E51E log has been added to the ClubLog Web page.

QSL STATUS OF H44RK, H44USMC and VP2V/AA7V.Rex, NR6M, reports that
currently all QSL requests for H44RK, H44USMC and VP2V/AA7V are being
mailed out the following day.

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 4O4A, 6Y9X, 8P5A, 9A7A, 9Y4D, AH0/N0AT, C6AKQ, C6AXY, CR3A, D3AA, D4C, DL1YD, DL2MWB, EA8AY, ED1R, EI3KG, EL2LF, FS/K9EL, FY5KE, G3NKC, GM5X, GX6YB, HA8IE, HI3TEJ, HK1NA, HP1WW, HQ2N, J43J, J68HZ, JA1UNLX/VK4, JA7DOT, JH4MGU, JW2US, KH6LC, KP2MM, NP3X, OK2JS, ON5UR, OT5A, P40T, PJ2T, PJ4X, PT6MM, PT0S, PW7T, PY1PL, PY3OZ, PY4PI, RL9F, S58N, SV1CQN, T30PY, T6LG, TF4X, TM6M, TO2A, TT8TT, UT7KF, V26B, V26K, V63JX, VP2V/AA7V, VQ5X, V26E, YY4DNN and ZK2C

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 2E0SQL, 2O12L, 3D2GC, 5H1HS, 5H1HS/3, 6Y9X, A31JY, D64K, EA4CYQ, EC4TR, EY0A, EW6DX, KH8/JA2HGY, PJ7I, RI1ANF, T30PY, T30TT, T40C, TI2CLX, UK/UA1ZEY, VK9PN, VU3BPZ/p, W9IMS, XX9THX and Z81D

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 4J85W, 4K9W, 4K0CW, 5X7FN, 6W/DL2AWG, A6/DL9WVM, H44WG, HB0/DF7EF, HS0ZGV, MJ/DL3SEM, S9DX, TF/DL3SEM and V55V

RI1, ANTARCTICA. Alex, RD1AV, will once again be active as RI1ANC from the Russian Vostok Base club station in the Antarctica (AN-016, WFF RFF-168) between December 22nd and February 7th (2013). Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via RN1ON.

S7, SEYCHELLES. Werner, DC8QT, will be active as S79QT from Mahe (AF-024) between December 19th and January 7th (2013). Activity will be on 40-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. He will use an IC-7000 with 100 watts into a vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

T6, AFGHANISTAN. Vyacheslav, RL3AR, will be active as T6T from Kabul until the summer 2014. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and PSK. QSL via RL3AR, by the Bureau or eQSL.

T8, PALAU. Operators Mike/JA6EGL, Yasu/JA6UBY and Yu/JE6DND will once again be active as T88SM, T88CP, and T88HK, respectively, from Koror Island (OC-009) between January 9-14th. Activity will be 80-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via their home callsigns (direct only).

V3, BELIZE. Operators Ron/WB1EAZ and XYL Elaine/KA1UCC will be active as V31RT and V31BE, respectively, from Belize sometime in mid-March 2013. Activity will be a SSB only operation, and they will focus on EU, Oceania and Asia. QSL via WB1EAZ.

V4, ST. KITTS. Jon, W5JON, will be active again as V47JA from his Calypso Bay vacation home, located 300 feet from the Caribbean Sea (CQ Zone:8, IOTA NA-104, Grid FK87pg), between February 20th and March 21st (2013). Activity will be on 160-6 meters SSB, including 60 meters. He plans to operate in the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. The station's equipment is a Kenwood TS-590S, Yaesu FT-857D, and SB200 amplifier. Antennas are a 80-10m multi-band dipole, metal roof (called "Galvalume", which the vertical uses as the ground radials) with mounted S9 (18 ft. and 31 ft. verticals) and a 6m 3 element yagi. Also, look for his XYL Cathy, W5HAM, to also be active occasionally as V4/W5HAM. All QSLs go to his home callsign, W5JON. Also LoTW.

XR0, EASTER ISLAND (Update/Dates Changed). A UK DXpedition team will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001) between March 20-27th. Operators mentioned are Michael/G7VJR, Nigel/G3TXF, John/G4IRN and Martin G3ZAY. Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters, mainly CW. Operations will be on the HF bands, but they also plan to work challenging paths on the low bands and with an emphasis on Europe. They will be using Elecraft K3s, small PAs and vertical antennas. Depending on the space available, they will use a beverage or flag for RX on the low bands. ClubLog and LoTW uploads will occur daily. The log search on ClubLog will be available at: https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=0YG There will also be OQRS available. QSL via G3TXF and LoTW.

XU, CAMBODIA. Members of the "Foundation for Global Children" (FGC) are now active as XU1A from the "Kingdom of Cambodia" (XU) until December 17th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (hopefully 6m also) with a focus on 160/80/75 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. They plan to have three stations operating simultaneously using 2x Yagis, DP and GPs. QSL via JH1AJT: P.O. Box 8, Oiso, Naka, Kanagawa 259-0111, Japan (or via JA Bureau). ClubLog and OQRS will be available later.

XV, VIETNAM. Operators Heli/DD0VR and YL Bigi/DE3BWR will be in Vietnam between December 12th and January 4th (2013). Heli informs OPDX that they will start their trip on the 12th from Munich over to Dubai, then Saigon (HCMC) to north Hanoi. Their travels and activities will be as follows:
December 18-20th on Cat Ba Island (AS-132) in the Halong Bay
December 21-22nd in Hue the capital city of Thua Thien - Hue Province
December 22-24th in Danang which is Vietnam's third largest city
December 24-26th in Nha Trang which is a coastal city and capital of Khanh Hoa Province
December 26-28th in Mui Ne which is a coastal resort town in the Binh Thuan Province
December 28-30th in Can Tho the fifth largest city in Vietnam
December 30th-January 2nd on Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) - the largest island in Vietnam.
January 2-4th return to HCMC (Ho Chi Minh City)

The callsign XV0VR was obtained thanks to NguyenBac, XV2A. Activity will be on 20/17/15/12/10 meters operating only QRP CW and QRO/QRP SSB. He mentions that he will make CW QSO (using his G-QRP-Club NR 7073) in the QRP segments with 10 watts and SSB with 500 watts on all other bands if possible depending on the conditions. Heli will use a Elecraft KX3 with a modified Tokyo High Power HL-1.1 (8w in and 500w out) into various antennas. QSL via DD0VR, direct or by the Bureau.

XV, VIETNAM (IOTA Op!). Operators Sei/JA7LU and Hiroo/JA2VWG will be active as XV4LU and XV4DDD, respectively, from Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) between January 12-16th (2013). Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using SSB and RTTY. See QRZ.com for details on QSL information.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update). Members of the Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia (HARAOA) ZL9HR team are now QRT from Campbell Island (OC-037, WFF ZLFF-019) as of about 1600z, December 8th. The report

on their Web page states on Sunday, December 9th, "After a very long final day, the team on Campbell Island finished operations at about 16:00 UTC 8/12/12 - 05:00 9/12/12 Local time and now starts the work of disassembly of the antenna systems, equipment packing and transfer of everything back to the boat before departure back to New Zealand. We wish all the team a safe and calm trip back to New Zealand and then on to their home countries and look forward to the next HARAOA DX'Pedition wherever that may be to." From the log on their Web page, as of 0243z, December 7th, ZL9HR has made a total of 35607 QSOs with 13456 Unique callsigns (22273/CW, 12584/SSB and 700/RTTY). Breakdown by continent is: 239/AF, 0/AN, 4952/AS, 12949/EU, 14586/NA, 1858/OC and 1023/SA. Remember, QSL via EB7DX direct, LoTW or use the OQRS for Bureau and direct requests. For more information and possible updates, visit their Web site at: http://www.campbell2012.com

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- Champ Muangamphun, E21EIC, and Pornchai Semjang, HS2JFW, for leadership in the Thai amateur community, especially during the recent flooding which helped open the door to the new Thai HF licensing and enhanced the stature of amateur radio with the Thai government.

- Tomas Hood, NW7US, and Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, for sustained education of the amateur community regarding propagation, solar and geomagnetic physics.

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OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
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2513. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 9 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-09 19:20:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba1ef5fa74e76804d070556c@google.com>
Source record: 1280
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Role of a DX'Pedition pilot for ZL9HR

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 10:18 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1967:role-of-a-dxpedition-pilot-for-zl9hr&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

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Ed Durrant, VK2JI, has interviewed Rich, KY6R, who is one of the global
pilots supporting the Dx'Pedition

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Go Fly an Antenna Kite

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 11:39 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1966:go-fly-an-antenna-kite&catid=34:amateur--ham-radio-software--websites&Itemid=100004

Richard G3CWI has been publishing a daily series of tips and tricks about
flying and using kite antennas.

2514. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 9th December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-09 21:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121209210003.2447A33C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1281
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 9th December 2012

IRTS 80m Counties Contest 2013.

The date for the 2013 IRTS Winter 80m Counties Contest is Tuesday 1st January. Check the rules at: www.irts.ie/cgi/showrules.cgi?80m Please take note of Rule 4.4 and 4.5 and keep the portion of the band between 3.650 and 3.700 clear. Also note the change in Rule 10.1 which states that entries must be received by the Contest Manager not more than 14 days after the contest.

Coolmine Radio Rally

Coolmine rally will be held at the Coolmine Community School on Sunday 10th February 2013. Doors open at 8.30am for traders and for member of the public at 11.30am. Admission is 5.00. Usual traders will attend and there will be a bring and buy sale. Tea and refreshments available all day during the event. Unlimited free car parking available. To book a table for the rally please call the following: Tom, 01 8211043 or Tony, 087 2439997. Everyone welcome to this excellent annual event.

Limerick Radio Club

The Annual Christmas Quiz will take place on Wednesday 12 December in the Limerick Institute of Technology at 7.30pm and a great night of fun. Fun is guaranteed, so brush up on your radio theory, general knowledge etc. Great prizes are available on the night and all are welcome. The club wishes all members a very Happy Christmas and prosperous 2012.

South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party 2011

This year's South Dublin Radio Club Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday the 11th of December.

The venue will be the same as last year, "The Morgue," Templeogue Village from 8.00 pm until late.

Members of other clubs and visitors are as usual very welcome to this social event. Limited free food will be available for paid-up members

& visitors can choose from the bar menu until 9.00 pm.

DX News

Norman 5B4AIF will operate from the South Cook Islands from 10 December until 5 January. He will concentrate on SSB and RTTY with perhaps a little CW. The Islands on the Air reference is OC-083 and the QSL manager is EB7DX.

The multi-national DXpedition by 7P8D from Roma in Lesotho closed down on 3 December. Quite a few EI's got into the log. More activity from Lesotho will take place from 17 December onwards when Chris ZS6RI comes on the air as 7P8RI. Chris has been active from Zambia for the past 20 months as 9J2RI. His work now brings him to Lesotho where he will be on a 3 week on / 3 week off rotation. Some of the other exotic calls held by Chris have been ZS8IR (Marion Island), 5H9IR (Tanzania) and ZD9IR (Gough Island).

Gil N2GG has been quite QRV as C6AGG from Grand Bahama. He will be there until 13 December. He operates SSB and CW on all bands 80 - 10m. QSLs go via his home call.

Vlad UA4WHX, the well known DX traveller, who was operating as UK/UA4WHX from Uzbekistan last month has been reported as active again as SU9VB from Egypt. Vlad was on from Egypt in 2011 and again earlier this year.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2515. eHam.net News for Sunday 9 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-09 23:07:12 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646d8dfeac8b04d073817d@google.com>
Source record: 1282
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hams Provide Emergency Communications:

Posted: 09 Dec 2012 04:00 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29493

Typhoon Bopha (local name Pablo) has hit The Philippines uprooting trees, downing power lines, sparking landslides and making 40,000 people head for shelters. It was the strongest of about 20 typhoons to affect the country this year with its heavy rain and wind gusting up to 210km/h as it came ashore at Mindanao. The Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA) had its ham emergency radio operations (HERO) working when the typhoon struck the southern Philippines. PARA is using all available means of communication like HF radio (7.095 MHz) VHF radio (144.740 MHz), the internet and social media (Facebook, email, echolink) to monitor the situation and give updates to all concerned.

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Space is Calling:

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 01:15 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29488

Astronaut on the International Space Station answers 20 Kline School students' questions about being in orbit. Students at Kline School in Costa Mesa made an especially long-distance call Thursday, first to northern Italy and then bounced by ham radio to the International Space Station. Twenty students had been prepped and handed scripts with their questions as required by NASA. They were lined up in front of a microphone, waiting in a silent but crowded room on campus.

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Local Amateur Radio Club Wins Prestigious Award:

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 01:14 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29487

The Rochdale and District Amateur Radio Society (R.A.D.A.R.S.) fought off other clubs around the UK to win the G5BY trophy for a second time. The President of the Radio Society of Great Britain visited the Norden based club to present the award on Wednesday evening (5 December. As far as we are aware, RADARS is the only club to have been so honoured, as the awards are usually presented at the RSGB AGM. President Dave Wilson congratulated the club on their achievement, and handed the trophy to contest Manager

Bryan Turner, G3RLE, to the applause of the many members present. The contest took place over the weekend of the 7 July in atrocious weather conditions.

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Retired Detective Is Lifelong Ham:

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 01:11 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29486

Union area resident Jim Glasscock has binders in his "man cave" that help tell the tales of his life. One binder is filled with newspaper clippings, photographs, commendations and even some cartoons he drew while with the St. Louis Police Department. In another binder are a collection of QSL cards, which are mementos from the people he has met while an amateur radio operator, also known as ham radio.

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Live Ham Radio Broadcast:

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 01:14 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29485

Details of the next W5KUB.COM live broadcast
are being finalized.

2516. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U/

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 01:35:51 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <4488753b-d572-4856-baab-2e567573b5c6@jl13g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1283

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
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http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2517. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 9 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 03:23:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30434d423f9d3104d07718f3@google.com>
Source record: 1284
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Successful Ham Radio Seminar at Amity School - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 09 Dec 2012 01:20 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHoz06d3P_dALQBspmnzBaRTC915Q&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/successful_ham_radio_seminar_at_amity_school.htm

Successful Ham Radio Seminar at Amity School
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Through her speech she instilled passion in some young minds for Ham Radio.
At the end, a demonstration was conducted and she contacted the National
Institute of Amateur Radio in Hyderabad. Their callsign was VU2NRO and the
students were invited to ...

2518. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 10 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 11:20:45 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93994a90bca7604d07dc129@google.com>
Source record: 1285
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Hams ready as typhoon hits twice

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FQ8NynwTHDg/hams_ready_as_typhoon_hits_twice.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The powerful Typhoon Bopha that killed at least 600 people and left many missing in southern Philippines last week, made an unexpected U-turn to hit the northern part of the archipelago

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FITSAT-1 to flash Morse Code from space

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ie4p9ADFxUw/fitsat1_to_flash_morse_code_from_space.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On December 12-13 FITSAT-1 will be using its optical LED beacon to flash a message in Morse Code over the USA and the British Isles/Europe. It may be visible to the unaided eye although binoculars are advised

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NZ amateurs get access to 600 kHz band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/5sRMxNWLFOg/nz_amateurs_get_access_to_600khz_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

NZART, the national association representing Amateur Radio in New Zealand, has successfully negotiated access to the 600 kHz band

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i-G56HjZNek/history_10_december.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/STFqP-y2PpQ/dxcc_report_1012.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
2nd-December, through Sunday, 9th-December there were 224 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/77OuotzMkVk/december_10.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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IRTS 80m Counties Contest 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CFVs9gE3fI0/irts_80m_counties_contest_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The date for the 2013 IRTS Winter 80m Counties Contest is Tuesday 1st
January

2519. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 9th December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 13:00:16 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20121210130003.F042F33C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1286
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Attention GB2RS Newsreaders - not for reading out on the air.

You will see from the following script that there will be no GB2RS news on Sundays 23rd and 30th December.

Some news readers may, of course, wish to operate a news net on these days. If so, please ad-lib an

announcement at the end of the first news story.

We thank all news readers for their dedication to the GB2RS News Service and wish you

a very Happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

Gordon L Adams, G3LEQ, GB2RS Manager

Elaine Richards, G4LFM, RadCom Editor

Giles Read, G1MFG, RadCom Technical Editor.

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 9th December 2012 The news headlines:

* GB2RS News during the holiday season

* Distance learning for the Advanced exam

* Successful contact from Cuba to Spain on FO-29

There will be no GB2RS news readings on 23 or 30 December this year. Normal service will be resumed on Sunday 6 January 2013.

The Bath Based Advanced Distance Learning team are busy enrolling for the next course, which starts in January. The course will run for twenty weeks, aiming for the July exam. The course works by the team e-mailing weekly work packages. Students submit answers to practice questions and other assignments to an e-tutor. Worked answers are provided to those who submit work. There is no charge for the training or the tutor support, but all students pay a deposit which is refunded to those who actively take part in the learning. Those that do not regularly submit work agree to donate their deposit to a radio charity. The pass rate for those completing the course has been over 90% at every sitting so far, so it seems to work. Past students have studied in France, Kenya, Croatia and all over the UK. For more details, please contact Steve Hartley, G0FUW, who is in the RSGB Yearbook, on QRZ.com and can be contacted via email to g0fuw@tiscali.co.uk.

Radio amateurs in Cuba face a number of challenges but recently Hector, CO6CBF, successfully completed a transatlantic contact between Cuba and Spain using the FO-29 amateur radio satellite. You can read more at www.uk.amsat.org/?p=11766.

The MSF 60kHz time and frequency signal broadcast from Anthorn Radio Station will be shut down on Thursday 13 December from 1000 to 1400UTC. The interruption to the transmission is required to allow maintenance work to be carried out in safety. The time signal is used by radio controlled clocks to set the time, so during this maintenance period such clocks may not function correctly.

The address for the Canadian QSL bureau has changed. All QSL cards for Canada should be sent to RAC National Incoming QSL Bureau, Box 51, Saint John, NB E2L 3X1, Canada.

The RSGB will close for the Christmas and New Year holiday at close of business on 21 December. It will re-open at 08.30am on 2 January. Last orders from the RSGB Shop for Christmas delivery will be 11am on 20 December.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 10 December 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

The final rally of the year takes place today, 8 December. The South Lancs Winter Rally will be held in the Bickershaw Labour Club, Bickershaw Lane, Bickershaw, Wigan. Doors open at 10am for the public and entry is £1.50. There will be a talk-in station and a Bring & Buy as well as special interest groups. More details from Allan, 2E0RAG on 07533 970 841.

The first rally of the 2013 will be the Red Rose Winter Rally on 13 January in the George H Carnell Leisure Centre.

Now for the news of special events

5G12ITD is on the air until 16 December in Morocco to commemorate UN Day for Tolerance. They will be active all bands and all modes. QSL via RW6HS.

Ian, M0IAA will be operating GB1WH from 11 to 18 December. The station is on the air to raise awareness and funds for Wakefield hospital. Ian is hoping to work as many stations as possible. More details are on QRZ.com.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

H44RK will be active as 5W0RK from Samoa between 8 December and 3 March. Operations will be on 10 to 20 metres using SSB and the digital modes. The IOTA reference is OC-097. QSL via NR6M.

W8YCM will be on the air as W8YCM/6Y5 from Jamaica, IOTA NA-097, until the New Year. He's been heard on the 10 to 17m bands using SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

Zorro, JH1AJT will be in Cambodia until 17 December. He will use the callsign XU1A and be on the air on all bands from 10 to 160m using CW and SSB. QSLs go via the JA bureau.

Haru, JA1XGI will be active from the island of Yap in Micronesia, IOTA OC-012, until 12 December. His call is V63XG and he will be on the 6 to 40m bands using CW, SSB and digital. QSL to his home callsign.

Norman, 5B4AIF will be active as E51E from Aitutaki in the South Cook Islands from 10 December to 5 January. The IOTA reference for the island is OC-083. He will operate SSB and RTTY and possibly some QRS CW, on the 6 to 160m bands. QSL via EB7DX and Logbook of the World.

Now the contest news

The 48 hour ARRL 10m Contest finishes at 2359UTC today, 9 December. Everyone works everyone in this CW and Phone event. The ARRL event has numerous entry categories, so please check the rules online to find an appropriate one for you. The exchange is signal report and serial number, although W, VE and XE stations will send their State or Province code too.

Tuesday 11 December sees the 432MHz UK Activity Contest taking place between 2000 and 2230UTC. Using all modes on the 70cm band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 10 December 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 30th of November to the 6th of December compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 7th of December.

Three small new sunspot groups appeared during the period. Solar activity was low and only small occasional C class solar flares took place. These had very little effect on propagation. In total only 9 C class solar flares took place during the period. Solar flux levels declined from 111 units on the 30th to 96 by the 4th and the 5th. The average was 100 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 6th was 120 units, that's three units down on last week. X-ray flux levels also declined, from B3.4 units on the 30th to B1.2 by the 6th. The average was B1.8 units. Geomagnetic activity was quiet every day, the Ap index on the 5th and the 6th was only one unit. The most disturbed day was the 2nd with an Ap index of 7 units. The average was Ap 3 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 290 and 460 kilometres per second. Particle densities were at elevated levels during most days with 23 particles per cubic centimetre on the 30th, 40 on the 2nd and 22 on the 4th. Only the 5th and the 6th were levels below 10 particles per cubic centimetre. As expected with a quiet geomagnetic field, Bz showed only modest fluctuations throughout the period.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. This week the active side of the Sun is expected to be rotating into view. Solar activity is expected to be low, with only C class solar flares taking place. There are no indications that activity would increase any higher

than moderate levels on the occasional day. Solar flux levels should increase and be in the 120's for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity should be quiet today but then a small recurring coronal hole is expected for the next couple of days. However, the disturbance is expected to be very weak. Activity should then decline to quiet levels for the remainder of the week. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 25MHz for the south and 22MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 8MHz. Paths this week to South America should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of around 30MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be about 24MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 1100 and 1600 hours.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS We start with clubs that have several events this week. Wythall Radio Club is holding a club net on 145.225MHz today and next Sunday. On Tuesday there's a Morse class at 1945 and a committee meeting. Friday sees the shack social from 1930. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a club net on Monday from 7pm on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarisation. On Wednesday there is the Christmas dinner and monthly meeting from 1900, plus the M3+M6 club net on GB3FR. Friday sees a club net on GB3FR. Contact the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020 for more information.

South Birmingham Radio Society is making Christmas party arrangements on Monday and Friday. Tuesday sees a coffee morning in the shack from 11am. Details from Mick Cleary, G7RRP, on 07595 696 359.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is taking part in the 432MHz UK Activity Contest on Tuesday. On Wednesday G6COL is on the air from the shack and there's a brainstorming session at the BSA Club on the subject of digimodes. The simplex club net is on Thursday from 8pm on 145.375MHz and Saturday sees the Surgery in the shack at 9am. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

On Tuesday 11 December Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is having a talk on datamodes on Tuesday and a Christmas beer & skittles evening on Friday. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society has its last meeting of year on Wednesday, then the Christmas buffet and raffle next Saturday. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having a test equipment evening with John, G0JUQ. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664 488.

On Monday Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party. More information from Robert Bird, by email to spirit.guide@hotmail.co.uk.

On Monday Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas dinner. For more information contact Peter D Rivers, G4XEX, on 01858 432 105.

On Tuesday Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

On Tuesday Eagle Radio Group is having a review of the year by Gordon, G4WEC. Contact John, M6JMS, on 01754 873 926.

On Tuesday Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on computer disasters by Andrew, G7SEG. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

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On Wednesday South Notts Amateur Radio Club is having its Christmas dinner. Contact Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 942.

On Wednesday Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas dinner at Alscott. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association is holding its AGM. Details from Derek Thom, G3NKS, on 01242 241 099.

On Friday Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas dinner. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

On Friday Coventry Amateur Radio Society is having an introduction to its 2013 project. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND We start with advance notice that Stars Radio Club is running new Foundation and Intermediate courses in January. For further information, or to join one of the courses,

contact Darren, 2E0MTY, on 07511 968 073.

On Monday Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club s holding its Christmas bazaar and junk sale. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

On Monday Bolton Wireless Club is having an open evening including a bring & buy sale. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Dave Shaw, M5DWI, on his visit to China. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

On Tuesday Chester & District Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

On Tuesday Morecambe Bay Amateur Radio Society is holding a discussion on how members became interested in amateur radio. Contact Sheila, on 07867 516 836.

On Wednesday Denby Dale Radio Club is having a night on the air on 145.575MHz from 1930. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

On Wednesday Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

On Wednesday Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society invites members to bring equipment in for repair. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

On Thursday South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is sharing members' QRP experiences, led by Bill, G4NOL. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

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NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club is having a tinker and radio night at the shack on Tuesday. On Friday they start the weekend Foundation course. Details from Brian Burns, MI0TGO, by email to muarc.secretary@yahoo.co.uk.

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 11 December Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Wednesday 12 December Ayr Amateur Radio Group is having presentation on how our hobby must change. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

On Wednesday 12 December Lothians Radio Society is holding its Christmas curry night. Contact Alan J. Masson, GM3PSP, on 0131 623 4580.

On Friday West of Scotland Glasgow ARS are holding their winter social event from 8pm in the upstairs hall at Garnethill Multicultural Centre, Rose Street. Any former members and friends of the club are warmly invited to attend this free event. More information is available by email from info@wosars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with advance notice that Dover Amateur Radio Club will be running a PIC training course in January. The course is aimed at beginners. It is free to members, with a small charge for guests. Places are limited so act fast. For more information contact Pete Halloway, M0PKH, via email to peter.halloway@sky.com.

Now for clubs that have several events this week. Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has its 2m net on GB3DA on Tuesday from 8:30pm. On Wednesday there's a committee meeting at Danbury Village Hall. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a committee meeting on Thursday. Next Saturday there's the last chance to work GB80PW, with an activity day on 7MHz from 10am. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Monday Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a social evening. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Monday Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding its AGM. Details from Steve Beal, G3WZK, by email to secretary@catsradio.org.

On Monday West Kent Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas social, with a buffet and soft drinks to mark the season. Details from Keith, G4JED, via email to westkentars@googlemail.com.

On Tuesday Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

On Tuesday Harwell Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on amateur radio astronomy by Brian Coleman, G4NNS. Details from Malcolm, G8NRP, on 01235 524 844.

On Tuesday South Essex Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas social evening. Contact Dave, G4UVJ, on 01268 697 978.

On Wednesday Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party at the QTH of Roger, G3MEH. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

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On Wednesday East Kent Radio Society is holding its Christmas dinner. Details from Karl Davies, M1DFM, on 01227 710 120.

On Wednesday Harwich Amateur Radio Interest Group is holding its AGM & Christmas party. Details from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Wednesday Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is having its Christmas party. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 898 678.

On Wednesday Southgate Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM. Contact Mr K Mendum, G8RPA, by email to g8rpa@arrl.net

On Wednesday Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a natter and fix it night. Contact John, G3MCX, on 02086 883 322.

On Wednesday Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is having its Christmas party. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday Edgware & District Radio Society is holding its Christmas social. Contact Mike, G4RNW, on 02089 500 658.

On Thursday Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is having a mince pie evening. Details from David Leech G7DIU, on 01480 431 333.

On Thursday Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is holding a cheese and wine evening at the shack. Contact Tim Ward, 2E0TJW, on 07810 481 182.

On Thursday Reading & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its AGM followed by cheese and wine or beer for members. Details from Pete, G8FRC, on 01189 695 697.

On Thursday Sutton & Cheam Radio Society is holding its Christmas junk sale. Note that this is on the 2nd Thursday of the month, for this month only. Details from Darren, M0PRV, on 07525 753 702.

On Thursday Vange Amateur Radio Society is watching a DVD. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday Cambridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk on Colossus and code breaking at Bletchley by Martin, G3ZAY. Contact Ron, G3KBR, on 01223 501 712.

On Friday Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night at the Fort from 7pm. Contact Neil Hoare, M0NEH, on 02392 378 559.

On Friday Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas social. Details from Liz, M0ACL, on 02380 254 599.

On Friday Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas buffet and bring & buy. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having an operating evening in the shack. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday Radio Society of Harrow is holding its Christmas social. More information from Linda, G7RJL, on 02083 868 586.

On Friday Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is having its Christmas social. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST We start with clubs that have several events this week. Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding its Monday HF net plus a bring in something interesting evening from 7pm at the Moose Centre. The Tuesday 2m net is on 145.575MHz at 7.45pm and on Thursday it's the 4m net on 70.425MHz from 7pm. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

Riviera Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas party at club HQ on Monday from 7.30pm. On Wednesday there's the 2m club net from 8pm on 145.425MHz. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

Now we return to the traditional listing in date order. On Monday Appledore & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Contact Brian Jewell, M0BRB, on 01237 473 251 for more information.

On Tuesday Plymouth RC Plymouth Radio Club is holding its Christmas party. Details from Rob James, 2E0ONO, via email to Robert-james@virginmedia.com.

On Wednesday Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is on the air. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas social with Muriel, G4YZR. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On Thursday Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Mike Parkin, G0JMI, from Alton Antenna Arrays. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

On Friday Poole Radio Society is holding its Christmas quiz and photo competition. Details from Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk

On Friday Saltash & District Amateur Radio Club is having a mince pies and sherry evening. Contact Brian, M0BHG, on 01752 844 321.

On Friday Torbay Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas party and quiz with invited local clubs. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

NEWS FOR WALES No news items have been received for Wales this week.

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2520. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 9th December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 14:14:55 UTC
From: Brian Morrison <bdm@fenrir.org.uk>
Message-ID: <20121210141455.000059fe@surtees.fenrir.org.uk>
Source record: 1287
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Mon, 10 Dec 2012 08:00:16 EST
Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk wrote:

> Some news readers may, of course, wish to operate a news net on these
> days. If so, please ad-lib an announcement at the end of the first news story.

I thought that GB2RS newsreaders were required to stick rigidly to the
script provided to them by the RSGB?

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Brian Morrison

2521. Re: GB2RS NEWS Sunday 9th December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 15:19:14 UTC
From: RipeCrisbies <GnomeLess@lympledger.co.uk>
Message-ID: <ka4uhh$am4$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1288
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy

On Mon, 10 Dec 2012 14:14:55 +0000, Brian Morrison wrote:

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> I thought that GB2RS newsreaders were required to stick rigidly to the
> script provided to them by the RSGB?

The net is not part of the news. The news readers operate the net using
their own call sign as they normally do after the GB2RS broadcast.

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M0WYM
www.radiowymsey.org

Sales @ radiowymsey
http://stores.ebay.co.uk/Sales-At-Radio-Wymsey/

2522. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 03 - 09 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 16:30:10 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121210163001.7722A33C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1289
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Dec 10 1124 UTC
# Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
#
# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
03 - 09 December 2012

Solar activity reached low levels this week with a total of four
C-class events, the largest of which was a C3 event at 2121 UTC that
came from region 1621 (N16,L=19, clas/area Axx/10 on 07 December.
This region appeared on 24 November as an Alpha class region and
slowly grew in size (to 130 mil), becoming a Beta class region which
it maintained for 8 days. The region began to decay and produced the
C-class event after it crossed the western limb on 07 December.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
normal levels all week.

Geomagnetic field activity was quiet all week. Solar wind speed
measured 260 km/s - 350 km/s on average with a peak of 459 km/s on
04 December due to the arrival of a coronal hole high speed stream.
The maximum southward component of Bz reached -10.9 nT at 04/0440
UTC, the total IMF reached 13.0 nT at 03/1958 UTC. There were no
CMEs with a significant earthward component during this week.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
10 December - 05 January 2013

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance of
isolated M-class flares through the entire forecast period (10
December 2012 - 05 January 2013).

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is
expected to be at normal levels except during 14-21 December
following the onset of a coronal hole high speed stream on 14
December and sustained by another stream which is expected to become
geoeffective on 15 December.
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Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet levels for the majority of the forecast period. An isolated period of unsettled levels is expected on 17 December with elevated ambient background solar wind speeds and again on 29 December associated with a recurrent solar sector boundary crossing.

2523. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 10 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 17:08:07 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd3695975fe04d0829b0f@google.com>
Source record: 1290
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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live D-Star broadcast

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 07:44 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371365-live-D-Star-broadcast&goto=newpost

Details of the next W5KUB.COM live broadcast are being finalized. It will
be "D-Star Live" on Dec 29th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Central time. Lots of
good stuff and special guests. Be sure to join us, ask questions to the
experts. Join us at our broadcast facebook group at
https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/ for updates.

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Transcontinental 2M Simplex Relay...

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 09:37 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371292-Transcontinental-2M-Simplex-Relay&goto=newpost

I know this is very possible, not quite sure if anyone has tried it before,

but would like to arrange, see who would be interested, and really

seriously do this, regularly... Here locally (EM63) we have a 2M simplex

net on Sunday nights that has setealdily grown to cover most of the state,

we have done this in response to the recent disasters that have plagued

our state, as power failures can knock-out even the best of repeaters, grid

power being what it is, so our little simplex net draws in most of the state

and oters as well, through "remote" net controlers, "Hill Toppers" and

the guy everybody loves with the four thousand element beam....

but I digress, we have discussed doing this on a national level, but
getting enough folks

together without having committees, donations, and a budget is like

pullin' teeth... so if your interested, which if you've read thus far you
are,

get on the air on Sunday night and lets see if we can get this done, don't
let

the naysayers stop you, if we can grow from a little net that covered

Birmingham, to a bigg'un that covers the whole state; you can join us in

this venture...

Call "CQ Simplex Net"

on 146.580 FM

at 10:00 PM CST - 04:00 AM UTC

Come Join us 73's, KI4CLZ

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WFF - North America

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 10:51 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371260-WFF-North-America&goto=newpost

In Amateur Radio Maps began forming layer WFF - North America
http://maps.kosmosnimki.ru/api/index...nk=XBHDA&LDXND

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Re-introduction of the DVRPTR_V1 Boards

Posted: 07 Dec 2012 11:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371205-Re-introduction-of-the-DVRPTR_V1-Boards&goto=newpost

Re-introduction of the DVRPTR_V1 Boards as a Low Cost Solution for Building Hotspots, Repeaters and Stand-alone Repeaters

Increased demand for a low-cost solution for building hotspots and repeaters, encouraged the re-introduction of the proven DVRPTR_V1 boards as a viable alternative to the existing offering.

These robust and low-cost boards are a great incentive for many hams to start experimenting with the digital modes.

The "new" DVRPTR_V1 boards will be assembled, individually tested and shipped worldwide from Montreal, Canada. Depending on the demand, the boards are expected to be ready for shipping by the end of February 2013.

" As creator of the original DV-RPTR V1 project (name, hardware and firmware) I'm happy that this project will continue..." said Jan Alte, DO1FJN. "This board is not perfect - I know, but it is a reliable, low-price solution for building hotspots, repeaters and stand-alone repeaters. I will resume my firmware development and I hope to find more dedicated specialists that can help improve the board's open source firmware."

Bruce Given, VE2GZI, hardware engineer with over 20 years of experience in the electronic components business, will coordinate the production and logistics efforts of this project.

"My top priority is to promote this great product in the amateur community and to offer it bundled with timely delivery, excellent service and technical support" said Bruce Given, VE2GZI.

Contact information:

Bruce Given, VE2GZI,

bruce.given@gmail.com

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DVRPTR_V1/

2524. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 10 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 17:45:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04447ff7cc766c04d08321c4@google.com>
Source record: 1291
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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post your results here

Posted: 10 Dec 2012 04:29 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371505-post-your-results-here&goto=newpost

http://cqcontest.ru/readscore.jsp?mCon=7 cool link i found

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1937 Ensor Transmitter Event Update

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 10:05 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371376-1937-Ensor-Transmitte
r-Event-Update&goto=newpost

Saturday evening, 12/8/12 we attempted to return the 1937 W9BSP-W9UA AM Transmitter to the air after a 40 year hiatus. We had spent this last week chasing down some final quirks, neutralizing, tuning and generally tweaking. We completed testing Friday and felt that everything was in order.

This evening about 6 PM CDT, a light misting rain developed at the museum. At 7 PM, when we threw power to the wire, we found our SWR had gone off the scale. We then rechecked the antenna system using the station's Icom 751 at 40 watts AM. All Okay. Switching back to the trasmitter the situation had not improved.

Loading the transmitter into a oil cooled dummy load showed that the problem did not reside in the transmitter. A scramble then insued to check each component of the antenna system, bypassing and swapping out cables and the external tuner.

We determined that the 160 meter fullwave loop antenna was not handling the 350 watts PEP of AM carrier. We had checked this antenna previously and had a 1 to 1 match before the rain. At this point we tried our inverted V dipole without success.The dipole had previously shown an issue with the high power of the 1937 transmitter, it had not been improved by the rain.

We then attempted to rematch the loop antenna system to the 1937 W9BSP transmitter at power, so we could proceeed with our Return to Air Event.

A sudden frying egg sound and the snap of an arc in the final tank circuit told us that trying to load the wet antenna directly had failed. Switching

back to the dummy load showed us that we now had developed problems in the transmitter.

The air in the kitchen of the farmhouse that our radio room adjoins now had a distinct ozone tinge. It was decided that we would have to cancel the event for the evening.

We have great confidence that the current problems are correctable and we will be rescheduling our event when we have resolved them. Our primary problem at this time appears to keeping the antenna dry, or locating the weak spots in the antenna system.

I would like to thank all those who came out to the Ensor Museum for the evening, and everyone who participated in the impromptu standby net to hold 3885 for the event.

The W9BSP Ensor AM Transmitter be heard!

73 to all

Joe Krout, W0PWJ

President,

Marshall Ensor Memorial Organization

www.w9bsp-w9ua.org

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Annual Bataan Memorial Death March Marathon - 2013

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 08:31 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371290-Annual-Bataan-Memorial-Death-March-Marathon-2013&goto=newpost

The Annual Bataan Death March Marathon will take place at the White Sands Missile Range (WSMR) on March 17th, 2013.

Details of the event can be seen at http://www.bataanmarch.com .

The Mesilla Valley Radio Club (MVRC) will again be operating Special Events Station K5B during the event. K5B will be offering a commemorative QSL card in conjunction with the event. Details about K5B operation and making QSL requests can be reviewed at http://www.n5bl.org/bataan .

For those who aren't familiar with WW II history, the Bataan Death March took place in the Philippines when our troops were forced to surrender to the Japanese. They were subjected to conditions that caused many of them to suffer and die.

The Army has been putting on this event at WSMR to honor the victims and survivors.

Please work us on the event date.

God bless our veterans.

Fred,
WB4AEJ

2525. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-068E - RAC Club Liability Insurance

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 20:39:29 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50C6482D.1070800@rac.ca>
Source record: 1292
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-068E - RAC Club Liability Insurance
2012-12-09

Affiliated Clubs are reminded that their current Liability Insurance expires 31 Dec 2012 and it must be renewed BEFORE 31 Dec 2012. TIME IS RUNNING OUT. It is the club's responsibility to complete the necessary forms and have them processed to ensure continuation of their Liability Insurance. With offices being closed during the holiday season your immediate attention is required.

G Linda Friars, VE9GLF
Insurance Program Administrator - Radio Amateurs of Canada

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2526. eHam.net News for Monday 10 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-10 23:16:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223e81c85c7804d087c04e@google.com>
Source record: 1293
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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RSGB Club of the Year Competition 2012:

Posted: 09 Dec 2012 04:08 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29494

The Society is pleased to announce that background and application
information about this year's Club of the Year competition is now available
on the website.

2527. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Monday 10 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-11 03:23:58 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405e903d28804d08b3637@google.com>
Source record: 1294
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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ARRL Files Petition for Rulemaking with FCC to Create New MF Band at
472 ... - ARRL

Posted: 10 Dec 2012 07:55 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE2RlCgyx8rzJ7h27D3x12lBDY-AA&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-files-petition-for-rulemaking-with-fcc-to-create-new-mf-band-at-472-479-khz

ARRL Files Petition for Rulemaking with FCC to Create New MF Band at 472 ...
ARRL
At the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12), delegates
approved Agenda Item 1.23: a 7-kilohertz-wide secondary allocation between
472-479 kHz for the Amateur Radio Service, with a power limit of 5 W EIRP
(or 1 W EIRP, depending on ...

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The Yasme Foundation Announces 2012 Yasme Excellence Award Recipients ... -
ARRL

Posted: 10 Dec 2012 10:55 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH4B5DXdnZxTXnD7o0hMAZP73Mbmg&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/the-yasme-foundation-announces-2012-yasme-excellence-award-recipients-and-supporting-grants

The Yasme Foundation Announces 2012 Yasme Excellence Award Recipients ...
ARRL
12/10/2012. The Yasme Excellence Awards are given to individuals who
through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a
significant contribution to Amateur Radio. Their contribution may be in
recognition of technical, operating ...

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Ham radio operators connect with people all over -- even in space - Juneau
County Star-Times

Posted: 04 Dec 2012 04:30 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGtBDKF0JH538CpGPidCVOwrNbYyQ&url=http://www.wiscnews.com/juneaucountystartimes/news/local/article_785420ac-3e71-11e2-ae82-001a4bcf887a.html

Ham radio operators connect with people all over -- even in space
Juneau County Star-Times
Amateur radio operators, also called ham radio operators, use radio

equipment in two-way communicators with other operators. They use specific radio frequencies assigned for ham radio and have call signs — W9JCJ and KC9LLI are examples — as ...

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Meeting place Dec. 9 - Greenville Daily Reflector

Posted: 09 Dec 2012 12:07 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE210H9TOXY9lRy34i9uOVEbFNdOg&url=http://www.reflector.com/look/go-guide-calenders/meeting-place-dec-9-1515403

Meeting place Dec. 9
Greenville Daily Reflector
AMATEUR RADIO: The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its annual Christmas party at 7 p.m. Tuesday at VFW Post Home 7032, 1108 Mumford Road. Participants should bring a covered dish for the meal. Antique Radio Club: The East Carolina ...

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'Hello? What's your call sign? It's Marshall calling' - Theredstonerocket

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 04:11 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEwET8o5NsSSi1BTu2_dhyzJ4AEIQ&url=http://www.theredstonerocket.com/around_town/article_49520026-3e67-11e2-9843-001a4bcf887a.html

Hello? Whats your call sign? Its Marshall calling
Theredstonerocket
Located in a nondescript cement building surrounded by antennas and isolated from other Arsenal activities just southwest of the Martin Road/Rideout Road intersection, the Ham Shack refers to the Michael Kalange Memorial Station, amateur radio call ...
Kids have another way to reach SantaWoodwardNews.net (subscription)

all 2 news articles

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Volunteer Connection: Amateur radio a key component of disaster preparedness - Journal Times

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 03:48 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF3LCZ0U30an22lh5tSG49_-v9VSw&url=http://www.journaltimes.com/lifestyles/senior_news/volunteer-connection-amateur-radio-a-key-component-of-disaster-preparedness/article_a592cdc0-31d3-11e2-aa9c-001a4bcf887a.html

Volunteer Connection: Amateur radio a key component of disaster preparedness
Journal Times
RSVP-Racine County offers more than a half dozen Disaster Preparedness Volunteer stations: including two complementary amateur (ham) organizations: the Racine County Amateur Radio Emergency Services and the Megacycle Club. Both organizations ...

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Planning sends ham radio tower on to council - Siskiyou Daily News

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 02:16 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEU27ze9KKGexjqIhX-h9r05LuZXw&url=http://www.siskiyoudaily.com/article/20121128/NEWS/121129813

Planning sends ham radio tower on to council
Siskiyou Daily News
Commission Chairman Craig Porter asked why the requested amendment included windmills in addition to ham radio towers. "The staff is always trying to think outside the box," Alexander said. "Windmills are certainly becoming more popular source of ...

and more

2528. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 11 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-11 11:39:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf3010ee25ca5f1f04d09223e0@google.com>
Source record: 1295
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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FreeDV Quick Start Guide video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L9T7xnZaNQY/freedv_quick_start_guide_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tony K2MO has released a quick start video guide for the new HF digital
voice mode FreeDV

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4f-ocmoA7IM/wca_1112.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

January will mark the 4th anniversary of the World Castles Award program.
So, look-out for the WCA Happy Birth Day (WCA HBD) event taking place on
the 19th and 20th

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Distance learning for the Advanced exam

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TLNYDflDrfQ/distance_learning_for_the_advanced_exam.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Bath-based Advanced Distance Learning Team are busy enrolling for the
next course, which starts in January. The course will run for twenty weeks,
aiming for the July exam

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AMSAT Straight Key Night on OSCAR 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9phG5IcjvxM/amsat_skn.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

You are cordially invited to participate in Straight Key Night on OSCAR
2013, conducted by AMSAT for all radio amateurs throughout the world

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RAC Club Liability Insurance

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zUWFsDekOOw/rac_club_liability_insurance.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Affiliated Clubs are reminded that their current Liability Insurance
expires 31 Dec 2012 and it must be renewed before 31 Dec 2012

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Anthorn time and frequency signal off-air for maintenance

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NHCuAobMGpY/anthorn_time_and_frequency_signal_off_air_for_maintenance.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The MSF 60kHz time and frequency signal broadcast from Anthorn Radio
Station will be shut down on Thursday 13 December from 1000 to 1400 UTC

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V/U/Wx receive Amplifier available through AMSAT store

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TBI7OJAyJFk/v_u_wx_receive_amplifier_available_through_amsat_store.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT-NA is pleased to announce an inexpensive, broadband VHF/UHF/WX
satellite receive-only preamplifier

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DYNACUBE - Denel Dynamics Interns make good progress

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/nnpujmweW-E/dynacube.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SARL report that three members of the Dynacube CubeSat team have now
got their amateur radio licenses and more will be taking the exam in May

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ITU Radio Regulations 2012 available for download

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4SULP_kEcCE/itu_radio_regulations_2012_available_for_download.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 2012 edition of the ITU Radio Regulations which includes the results of
WRC-12 is now available

2529. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 11 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-11 17:38:27 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399b35e0dd6404d0972573@google.com>
Source record: 1296
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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NA55AX Special Call

Posted: 11 Dec 2012 08:41 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371659-NA55AX-Special-Call&goto=newpost

Hello,

Today, I made a QSO with the special callsign NA55AX.

I wanted to know more about this callsign but I have not found anything on
the web.

Does anyone have more info on this?

Thanks

Regards

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XV2DLH Vietnam

Posted: 11 Dec 2012 06:58 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371653-XV2DLH-Vietnam&goto=newpost

Members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club Frankfurt DK7PE , DH6ICE ,
DH0RAK , DK7TF , DK8ZZ will be active from Vietnam 15-26 February 2013 as
XV2DLH

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en/xv2dlh_vietnam/

73 Al 4L5A

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live D-Star broadcast

Posted: 08 Dec 2012 07:44 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371365-live-D-Star-broadcast&goto=newpost

Details of the next W5KUB.COM live broadcast are being finalized. It will
be "D-Star Live" on Dec 29th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Central time. Lots of
good stuff and special guests. Be sure to join us, ask questions to the
experts. Join us at our broadcast facebook group at
https://www.facebook.com/groups/w5kub/ for updates.

2530. eHam.net News for Tuesday 11 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-11 23:42:16 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f2357a1dfd7f004d09c3a83@google.com>
Source record: 1297
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hams Ready as Typhoon Hits Twice:

Posted: 10 Dec 2012 04:02 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29495

The powerful Typhoon Bopha that killed at least 600 people and left many missing in southern Philippines last week, made an unexpected U-turn to hit the northern part of the archipelago. Active during both disasters were the planned ham radio networks, organised through the national IARU society, the Philippines Amateur Radio Association (PARA). When the typhoon was first seen on the weather radar heading for the southern island of Mindanao, PARA was hosting its 80th birthday celebrations in Manila. Almost immediately it asked for the nets to be activated on VHF and for long haul traffic 7095 kHz, echo-link and Facebook. What unfolded was an outstanding effort for the amateur radio community that included evacuations of riverside and low-lying communities and coordination of rescues including those at sea. The networks played an important coordination role in the south with the Disaster Response Team of the Philippine Red Cross, Delta Fire Volunteers, and the Coastguard.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 01:15:11 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <9e952b2b-6371-416a-82a3-d26bcf2c7b0a@v6g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1298

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2532. SEXY VIDEOS YOU MUST SEE MASALA HOT PHOTOS'

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 01:15:15 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1752dc65-aec6-4731-8079-b98fd2338343@i2g2000pbi.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1299

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2533. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 11 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 02:06:35 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae939964553575604d096b3b7@google.com>
Source record: 1300
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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British Astronomer and Broadcaster Sir Patrick Moore Dead at 89

Posted: 10 Dec 2012 11:00 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371557-British-Astronomer-and-Broadcaster-Sir-Patrick-Moore-Dead-at-89&goto=newpost

British astronomer and broadcaster Sir Patrick Moore has died, aged 89.

He "passed away peacefully at 12:25 this afternoon" at his home in Selsey, West Sussex, friends and colleagues said in a statement.

Sir Patrick presented the BBC programme The Sky At Night for over 50 years, making him the longest-running host of the same television show ever.

He wrote dozens of books on astronomy and his research was used by the US and the Russians in their space programmes.

Described by one of his close friends as "fearlessly eccentric", Sir Patrick was notable for his habit of wearing a monocle on screen and his idiosyncratic style.

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Through his regular monthly programmes he was telling us what to look for and what was out there and that was a real inspiration☐Maggie Aderin-PocockSpace scientist

Sky at Night colleague's tributeSky At Night profile of Sir PatrickTributes paid to Sir Patrick Moore

Sir Patrick presented the first edition of The Sky at Night on 24 April 1957. He last appeared in an episode broadcast on Monday.

A statement by his friends and staff said: "After a short spell in hospital last week, it was determined that no further treatment would benefit him, and it was his wish to spend his last days in his own home, Farthings, where he today passed on, in the company of close friends and carers and his cat Ptolemy.

"Over the past few years, Patrick, an inspiration to generations of astronomers, fought his way back from many serious spells of illness and continued to work and write at a great rate, but this time his body was too weak to overcome the infection which set in, a few weeks ago.

"He was able to perform on his world record-holding TV programme The Sky at Night right up until the most recent episode .

"His executors and close friends plan to fulfil his wishes for a quiet ceremony of interment, but a farewell event is planned for what would have been Patrick's 90th birthday in March 2013."

'Father figure'Patrick Alfred Caldwell-Moore was born at Pinner, Middlesex on 4 Mar 1923.

Heart problems meant he spent much of his childhood being educated at home and he became an avid reader. His mother gave him a copy of GF Chambers' book, The Story of the Solar System, and this sparked his lifelong passion for astronomy.

Continue reading the main storyAnalysisDavid ShukmanScience editor, BBC News

Sir Patrick Moore was the voice of the space age.

I recall as a child not following every detail of that famously rapid patter but I never minded - because like everyone who watched his broadcasts I was swept along by his extraordinary energy and excitement.

Here was someone who could catch the mood of a world enthralled by a heady mix of discovery and achievement.

With rockets launching satellites and then astronauts above Earth and beyond, there was no greater enthusiast to chronicle and illuminate an exhilarating new era of exploration.

Generations grew up with Patrick Moore as their guide and he proved hugely influential. Astronomy was no longer a niche activity.

The man with the monocle had touched people who had never even thought of stargazing.

Read more from David

When war came he turned down a place at Cambridge and lied about his age to join the RAF, serving as a navigator with Bomber Command and rising to the rank of Flight Lieutenant.

But the war brought him a personal tragedy after his fiancee, Lorna, was killed when an ambulance she was driving was hit by a bomb. He never married.

Sir Patrick, who had a pacemaker fitted in 2006 and received a knighthood in 2001, won a Bafta for services to television and was a honorary fellow of the Royal Society.

He was a member of the UK Independence party and, briefly, the finance minister for the Monster Raving Loony Party, and attracted some controversy for his outspoken views on Europeand immigration.

Fellow scientists speak of how Sir Patrick inspired a generation

His other TV credits include the role of Gamesmaster in the 1990s computer games show of the same name.

BBC science correspondent Pallab Ghosh said Sir Patrick's appearance sometimes aroused as much comment as his astronomy: "He was six-foot-three, and was once described as having 'an air of donnish dishevelment', with his raised eyebrow, scarcely-brushed hair and poorly-fitting suits.

"His enthusiasm was unstoppable, and on occasions he would talk at 300 words a minute."

Queen guitarist Brian May, who published a book on astronomy written with Sir Patrick, described him as a "dear friend, and a kind of father figure to me".

He said: "Patrick will be mourned by the many to whom he was a caring uncle, and by all who loved the delightful wit and clarity of his writings, or enjoyed his fearlessly eccentric persona in public life.

"Patrick is irreplaceable. There will never be another Patrick Moore. But we were lucky enough to get one."

Television presenter and physicist Professor Brian Cox posted a message on Twitter saying: "Very sad news about Sir Patrick. Helped inspire my love of astronomy. I will miss him!"

The acting director general of the BBC, Tim Davie, said his achievements at the corporation "were unmatched", adding that Sir Patrick will be missed by his "countless fans".

UKIP leader Nigel Farage said: "Since I first met Sir Patrick when he dominated a UKIP stage in 1999, he has been a friend and an inspiration - not only to us in UKIP, but across the country and around the world. Today we have seen the passing of a true great, and a true Englishman."

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Ham Radio Now Episode 32, Part 3 The hidden TWit Tour

Posted: 26 Nov 2012 09:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369819-Ham-Radio-Now-Episode-32-Part-3-The-hidden-TWit-Tour&goto=newpost

It's at http://youtu.be/igmTmnX5PWw

Don't know what Ham Radio Now is.

Gary Peirce is a Ham Radio operator who has a podcast called Ham Radio Now. Formally know as Amateur Radio Video News or ARVN, Gary and his cohosts take us behind the scenes at ham radio events, interview those making news in the hobby and tell us about things we may not have known about ham radio. In episode 32 Gary takes us on a video vacation of a recent trip to Atlanta (part 1). Then (in part 2) he goes to California and gets a tour of the TWiT studios and talks with Leo Laporte. If you are a fan of Ham Nation or any of the other programs which air on TWiT you will enjoy that one. Here, in part 3, Gary shows us some extra footage of his

TWiT tour.

If you are a Ham (and you probably are if you are reading this) or interested in Ham Radio (about to get into the hobby?) you should check out his other videos. Just look for HamRadioNow on Youtube or just click here - http://www.youtube.com/user/HamRadio...ow=grid&view=0

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Attention all CW DXers, Contesters & Budding DXpeditionists

Posted: 25 Nov 2012 06:22 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369650-Attention-all-CW-DXers-Contesters-amp-Budding-DXpeditionists&goto=newpost

This is absolutely the best FREE CW pileup training program ever released.

Web Site Here

Strap yourself in as you are transported to your own one man CW DXpedition to North Korea (or North Dakota), your fellow CW enthusiasts are counting on you. :)

Seriously though, Alex, VE3NEA has done an outstanding job with this free program called PileupRunner. Practice with it for 15 - 30 minutes a day for a few weeks and your CW pileup & contesting skills will improve dramatically. Augment PileupRunner with the wonderful German written program RufzXP and MorseRunner for the trifecta of all CW contesting "simulators".....All programs are 100% free.

PileupRunner is as close to the real experience as one can get without going to an exotic land. 'Da Cow here rates it a full 5 bellowing moo's!!! The program is intuitive as to how the pileup is generated & I would recommend reading it's short 3 - 4 page manual before getting started. You will wonder why stations you have already worked keep on calling you if you don't.

I have no monitory interest in anything Alex does & have never meet him.

See ya in the pileups,

Tom KCØW

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Webinar - "Tower Work--Tips, Techniques, & Tools"

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 02:42 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?369446-Webinar-quot-Tower-Work-Tips-Techniques-amp-Tools-quot&goto=newpost

The World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (www.wwrof.org) is pleased to present "Tower Work--Tips, Techniques, & Tools," a presentation outlining things we've learned from almost 100 years of combined experience, focusing on safety, cost-savings, & problem-solving.

John Crovelli W2GD & Don Daso K4ZA

Date: Wednesday, December 12

Time: 9 PM EST (Thursday, December 13 - 02:00 UTC)

Registration (free): https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/761813138

73 Ken K4ZW

2534. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 11 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 03:50:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51dd49d59d5ed04d09fb1d0@google.com>
Source record: 1201
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio World Castles Award - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 10 Dec 2012 11:54 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGmfbq3mQe1o_TMfTSpxygI7FYfkA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/wca_1112.htm

Amateur Radio World Castles Award
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Amateur Radio World Castles Award. Hello Dear Friends! On January, 14th will be four years sharp since the date of World Castles Award Program foundation. In connection with this event on January, 19th and 20th, will take place activity radiohams from ...

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Ham radio operators: 'We are everywhere, and we got your back.' - Seaside Signal

Posted: 11 Dec 2012 12:25 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFe3s1P5MmHSjDrv94BRSNDA9MwNg&url=http://www.seasidesignal.com/news_paid/article_1e53d6c0-43cf-11e2-80c0-001a4bcf887a.html

Ham radio operators: We are everywhere, and we got your back.
Seaside Signal
Its a wife in Portland trying to get back home to the coast, but a storm has blocked the road and cut communication. Its a son studying abroad in Europe who is concerned about his family back home. Its a hiker stuck on a mountain with no supplies ...

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Cuba to Spain on amateur radio satellite FO-29 - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 11:57 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHlx-saL38UFKr2X12geZXWj2MyMw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/cuba_to_spain_on_amateur_radio_satellite_fo29.htm

Cuba to Spain on amateur radio satellite FO-29
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Cuba to Spain on amateur radio satellite FO-29. Hector CO6CBF reports on his successful transatlantic contact between Cuba and Spain using the amateur radio satellite FO-29. I am pleased to report that yesterday morning I had my first transatlantic ...

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Disaster recovery helped by amateur radio - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 11:14 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF3C0uH-y1O6s76vTHpMvjtuHE5fA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/disaster_recovery_helped_by_amateur_radio.htm

Disaster recovery helped by amateur radio
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The amateur radio community was prepared when a super typhoon unleashed its fury on the Philippines, uprooting trees, snapping power lines, sparking landslides, cancelling flights and ferries sending 40,000 people to shelters. Claiming more than 200 ...

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West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club facilitate another Foundation Course - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 05 Dec 2012 10:52 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHMq75M3sNkAjM2PeBLYL8lL-q2BA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/west_tyrone_amateur_radio_club_foundation_course.htm

West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club facilitate another Foundation Course
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club facilitate another Foundation Course.
Photographed receiving their certificates/licence are successful candidates who recently completed an amateur radio foundation course and Intermediate exam in December 2012.

2535. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 12 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 07:31:38 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303349e3ae3c6b04d0a2c9dd@google.com>
Source record: 1202
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Superstition Hamfest Mesa, AZ, RESCHEDULED Feb 9, 2013

Posted: 27 Nov 2012 11:31 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370004-Superstition-Hamfest-Mesa-AZ-RESCHEDULED-Feb-9-2013&goto=newpost

SEE UPDATE BELOW THIS POST

Mesa, AZ

SUPERSTITION HAMFEST DELAYED. TO BE RESCHEDULED FOR EARLY 2013.

Superstition Hamfest, set to run on Saturday, December 1, got pushed back due to

some paperwork timing issues. The issue arose on the Monday before the scheduled

event, we were unable to resolve it and keep the scheduled date in play by Tuesday.

It is therefore DELAYED (not "canceled") till a later date in early 2013.

Main Prize drawing tickets already sold will be good toward the same drawing

at Noon of the new date in early 2013 for the Hamfest.

We need to shoot for some time about 60 days out and fit around existing

Hamfests already on the schedule.

January has a hamfest in the west valley by Thunderbird ARC,

and March has one by Scottsdale ARC in the near-east valley,

so we need to fit our delayed 2012 hamfest in around these events.

Superstition ARC will plan its regular December 2013 Hamfest to be held as it

has in the past, on the first Saturday of December, in addition to the delayed 2012 event.

We apologize for the inconvenience to our vendors and attendees.

Please see http://wb7tjd.org/hamfest/ for the latest news.

73

Larry

WB7C

Superstition Amateur Radio Club

2536. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 12 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 11:29:15 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba21218960389b04d0a61bc4@google.com>
Source record: 1203
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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ZL9HR Team safely back on NZ mainland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SPs_K_z_zCw/zl9hr_team_safely_back_on_nz_mainland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia, ZL9HR team of ten Amateurs from around the world, arrived safely back on the New Zealand mainland on Tuesday 11th December, having completed operations on Campbell Island in the early hours of Sunday morning 9th December (local time)

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Ofcom announces additional 5 MHz channels

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/whkFDPoFQHI/ofcom_announces_additional_5_mhz_channels.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

From January 1, holders of a UK Full licence will be able to apply for an NoV to use 472-479 KHz as well as additional 5 MHz channels that will permit up to 6 kHz bandwidth emissions

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OZ7IGY Beacons transmitting MS modes during Geminids

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/q7APVxfjp0Y/oz7igy_beacons_transmitting_ms_modes_during_geminids.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

OZ7IGY is transmitting MS modes on 2 m and 6 m during the Geminids meteor shower from December 10-15, 2012. The projected maximum of the shower is December 13, 2330 UT

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IARU Monitoring System Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NdXvjgiO8Ig/iaru_monitoring_system_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The latest IARU Monitoring System Newsletter highlights African safari and hunting services using 7 MHz and mysterious multitone transmissions from Central-China

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Yasme Excellence Award winners announced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lEHEhU_swdw/yasme_excellence_award_winners_announced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Peter Martinez G3PLX and Mark Spencer WA8SME are among those to receive the
Yasme Excellence Award

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Vietnam tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2ArdQTtKjqk/vietnam_tour.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

German ham radio operators Heli DD0VR and YL Bigi DE3BWR will be in Vietnam
between December 12th and January 4th (2013)

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Easter Island update

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LB4cT9h4zYo/easter_island_update.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A UK DXpedition team will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001)
between March 20-27th

2537. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 50 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 20:31:47 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121212203118.4A6D89B8015B@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1204
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 50 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-12-12
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: OK ; Czech rep. ; Square: JO70 ; start 2012-12-11

OK1TEH qrv in Geminids from JO70FD
Hi all, I'm qrv during Geminids on 70/144/432 MHz and I'm especially looking
for MS skeds on 70cm band. Minimal station should have about 100W into small 21el yagi.
Please tell me at ok1teh(at)seznam.cz tnx and 73 gl.

SOURCE: tnx to Matej OK1TEH direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: I ; Italy ; Square: JM56 ; start 2012-12-10

IH9YMC qrv in Geminids from JM56XT (IOTA AF018)
QRV forthe next meteor shower of december from Pantelleria Island

SOURCE: tnx to IH9YMC direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2013-03-01

DL0AT qrv from JO44HI

Aktivate the Lighthouse Westerhever with big power on the top on the lighthouse.
2x7 ele es 2x 9 ele with 2x 750 watts. FED: 260; LH 0063

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5W ; Samoa ; Square: AH36 ; start 2013-04-04

A German team will activate Samoa, IOTA OC-097
from Le Lagoto on Savaii in the northern part of the island - grid AH36TN.
Our well know 2m EME station Joe DL9MS will operate 2m EME.For Central Europe
the EME window will open only around 8 April.

Source: http://5w0m.hkmann.de/?Home

** DXCC: OJ0 ; Market Isl. ; Square: JP90 ; start 2013-06-12

OH8K team plans to go OJ0 Market Island, June 12-16 2013.
Qrv on 2m EME and MS. Call is confirmed: OJ0C
Team Jukka OH8MSM, Sami OH9GDT and Jussi OH6ZZ More info later

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 3B9 ; Rodrigues Isl ; Square: MH10 ; start 2013-09-01

3B9EME will be qrv from Rodrigues Isl. (MH10qh) in september 2013.
After the success of the J52EME DXpedition by the Verona DX Team,
we are pleased to announce the activation of a new one for 2013.
We will be in 3B9, Rodrigues Island, for EME activity in 144 and 432 Mhz.
The period will be 1 to 9 September 2013. Flights and hotel are already booked.
We await the granting of the call 3B9EME, with the aid of the contacts of Rene PE1L,
which is, along with Atletico Team, our example for DXpedition activity.
Soon more news about equipment, antennas and QRG.
Best 73 from Lucio I3LDP, team leader Verona DX Team - ARI Verona

SOURCE: tnx to Lucio I3LDP direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2013-10-25

Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate Crete in Oktober 2013 on 2m EME.Call sign will
be SV9ANJ.Rig is as always TS2000, 2 x 9 ele M2 and BeKo SSPA with sufficient output power.
Location will Pelamare Apartments in Kokkini Hani, 13 kilometres East of Iraklion,
in the North of Crete. Website http://pelamare.webs.com/. Locator is KM25PH
We are very grateful for Pelamare Apts owner Manos SV9ANJ for supporting this DXpedition!

SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
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** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

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Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

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2538. eHam.net News for Wednesday 12 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-12 23:53:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404c1db824604d0b08157@google.com>
Source record: 1205
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ofcom: 472 kHz Amateur Band and 5 MHz (Experimental) Band Announcements:

Posted: 11 Dec 2012 11:59 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29499

Ofcom have announced changes that will allow holders of the UK Full Amateur Licence to take advantage of the new amateur band at 472 kHz and enhanced access on channels near to 5 MHz.

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FITSAT-1 LEDs to Flash Morse Code Over USA and Europe:

Posted: 11 Dec 2012 11:56 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29498

On December 12-13 FITSAT-1 will be using its optical LED beacon to flash a message in Morse Code over the USA and the British Isles/Europe which should be visible using binoculars. The FITSAT-1 CubeSat was developed by students at the Fukuoka Institute of Technology (FIT) in Japan. As well as the optical LED experiment the satellite carries several amateur radio payloads: a CW beacon on 437.250 MHz, a telemetry beacon on 437.445 MHz and a high-speed data downlink on 5840.0 MHz. The LEDs were successfully tested on November 26 and it had been planned to flash the LEDs on Christmas Eve, however, the FITSAT-1 website reports that there will be a Full Moon that night which would make the signals impossible to see. The plan is now to activate the LEDs on
- December 12, 6:14:30 GMT over the United States for 2 minutes - December 13, 22:10:30 GMT over Europe for 2 minutes or possibly 4 minutes if tests on December 11 over Japan are successful.

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New School Club Video:

Posted: 11 Dec 2012 11:57 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29497

We are lucky that the school as a full time
video/photographer on staff to make us look
good. Feel free to pass this video around the
community.

2539. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 12 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-13 03:42:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bf716da09ee04d0b3b4d9@google.com>
Source record: 1206
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 03 Dec 2012 11:46 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFWH3UTwhZL0zqoKcG57mjyczLDng&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/2012_mtn_amateur_radio_of_the_year_awards.htm

2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards. At a gala lunch held on Wednesday last week, the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust presented the 2012 MTN Amateur Radio of the Year Awards. The MTN Radio Amateur of the Year award was ...
ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian AwardARRL

all 2 news articles

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Sandy proved: When all else failed, amateur radio worked - Delco News Network

Posted: 02 Dec 2012 06:44 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGe0NIiqmAiLop2cm_kiVcJiewSig&url=http://www.delconewsnetwork.com/articles/2012/12/01/news_of_delaware_county/opinion/doc50b7c282050df833979353.txt

Sandy proved: When all else failed, amateur radio worked
Delco News Network
Knowing one of the characteristics of Amateur Radio where its signals know no boundaries, a collection of Delaware County Amateur Radio operators were on standby. This local cooperative effort began by monitoring the shortwave, long distance ...

2540. [DXNL] DXNL 1810 (Dec 12, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-13 06:18:04 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <7027223671.20121213030257@dxhf.darc.de>
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DXNL 1810 - Dec 12, 2012
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7P, LESOTHO
Similar to his 9J2RI activity Chris,ZS6RI (ex 9J2RI), will show up on
the bands every two weeks signing 7P8RI in CW, SSB and digital modes
on HF starting from Dec 17. QSL direct (QRZ.com), LoTW.
See also: http://zs6ri.blogspot.co.uk

S7, SEYCHELLES
Tom,DL5NEN, and his XYL Claudia,DO5NEN, will be QRV again from La Digue
from Dec 15-28 using the same callsign S79NEN like on their honeymoon
in March. QSL via DO5NEN.

C6, BAHAMAS
C6AEE is the new callsign of Gil,N2GG, since Dec 4. All QSOs with
C6AGG (issued in error by the Bahama authority) will be confirmed with
a C6AEE QSL. QSL via N2GG.

DU, PHILIPPINES, OC-130
Max,DU9/M0GHQ, is working holiday style from Mindanao (OC-130) until
Jan 18. He also plans to visit Simon,DU9AQQ, on Samal Island (OC-235)
during this time. QSL via homecall.

I, ITALY
The special callsign II1M will be activated by ARI Chivasso (IQ1GJ)
from Dec 14-16 to celebrate the 110th anniversary of the first trans-
atlantic radio contact between Glace Bay in Canada and Poldhu in
Great Britain. The phases of this historic event will be reconstructed
on Dec 15 around 1400 UTC by VO1AAA and GB2GM with the participation
of Princess Elettra Marconi in Rome. QSL via IQ1GJ.
See: http://digilander.libero.it/arichivasso or http://www.gb2gm.org.uk
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The Christmas special event station II0XMAS is active till Jan 1, 2013.
Antonello,IZ0VHY, is responsible and wishes everybody a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year. QSL via M0OXO. See: http://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs

OH, FINLAND
Though there is still no separate DXCC "North Pole" Santa Claus lives
in cold and harsh conditions under the northern lights in the region
of Santa Claus in Lapland in northern Finland. The frozen HAMs
Martti,OH2BH, Rami,OH3BHL, Juha,OH8NC, Kimmo,OH9MDV, and Aaro,OH9RJ,
are on the air as OH9SCL (QSL via OH9AB) and OF9X (QSL via OH2BH) from
Muonio. If you work both stations you can apply for a certificate via
e-mail (of9x@sral.fi). This certificate can be issued also in the name
of children or grandchildren. A discount will be granted during a visit
in the coming year.
See also: http://www.harriniva.fi/en
http://www.santaclauslive.com
http://justin.tv/of9x_tv
http://posti.fi/english/thepostsservices/salesnetwork/
santaclausmainpostoffice/santasownpostoffice.html
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rovaniemi_Airport#Santa_Claus_Official_Airport
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Marko,OH8KVY, Juha,OH9MM, and possible others will activate the club
call OF3I from the Arctic Circle from Dec 13-16. They plan to take part
also in the OK DX RTTY Contest (Dec 15). QSL via LoTW preferred.

PA, THE NETHERLANDS
The Christmas special event stations (PA12XMAS, PB12XMAS and PD12XMAS)
are activated for the 4th time in a row until Jan 1, 2013, with focus
in SSB on 10m-12m. QSL via PB5X. See: http://www.CQfriends.com/pb12xmas

VP8/A, ANTARCTICA
Alex,RD1AV, is member of the summer team at Vostok base and will be
QRV as RI1ANC during his spare time between Dec 22 and Feb 17, 2013.
QSL via RN1ON.

YA, AFGHANISTAN
Vyacheslav,RL3AR, is signing T6T in CW/SSB/PSK on 80m-10m from Kabul
until summer 2014. QSL via RL3AR.

African Activity: Roger,LA4GHA, is working for the "United Nations Office on
Drugs and Crime" (UNODC) in East Africa for the next two years and will
be active as 5Z4/LA4GHA from Nairobi/Kenya and from Garowe/Somalia
(license not yet issued) during his spare time. Activity will be on
160m-10m in CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via LA4GHA.

DX Marathon: The "CQ Magazine" invites to its annual "DX Marathon" again.
We need to work as many countries and areas within one calendar year.
No QSLs needed. See also: http://www.dxmarathon.com

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de
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Photos and videos of the PT0S DXpedition were published online at:
http://dx-world.net/2012/video-pt0s

http://www.youtube.com/watch?&v=wymihKWl2AA
http://www.youtube.com/watch?&v=qKycL3ICKc8
http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.457069160997422.91380.
233495793354761&type=1

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Dec 15 OK DX RTTY Contest
Dec 15/16 Croatian CW Contest
Dec 16 RTC Party
Dec 16 QRP-ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint

The Radio Club of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (CE3RAC) invites
all amateur radio operators to participate in the "Dia de la Aeronautica
Bases Concurso Nacional" on the third weekend of December.
See: http://www.ce3rac.cl/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=173

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AF-024, S7, Inner Islands: Werner,DC8QT, will visit Mahe (WLOTA 3286,
Loc LI75SH) from Dec 18 until Jan 7. He will work holiday style as
S79QT in SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 40m-10m. QSL via DC8QT.

AS-128, 3W, Gulf of Thailand group/AS-132, 3W, Gulf of Tongking North group:
Heli,DD0VR, and Bigi,DE3BWR, are going to visit Vietnam from Dec 12
until Jan 4. They will sign XV0VR in SSB and CW on 20m-10m from
different places like Cat Ba Island (AS-132) from Dec 18-20 and
from Phu Quoc Island (AS-128, WLOTA 2523) from Dec 30 until Jan 2.
QSL via DD0VR (bureau/direct).

NA-099, KP4, Puerto Rico: David,K3LP/KP4, makes a "Caribbean Island Tour"
during the second half of December. His first stop will be San Juan
on Puerto Rico (USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802). He wants to work holiday style
from Dec 18-22. More information about other stops will follow in the
next DX Newsletter. QSL via K3LP. See also: http://www.k3lp.com

OC-097, 5W, Samoa Island: In DXNL 1809 we have written about the activity
by Ralph,H44RK. Ralph is active since Dec 3 and uses the callsign
5W0W (not 5W0RK or 5W0KR). QSL via NR6M.

OC-151, YB9, Tenggara Timur Islands: Leo,YC9MLL, will be active from
Maumere on Flores Island (Loc PI11ci) from Dec 15 until Jan 15 using
a homebrew radio (50-100 Watt)in CW, SSB, PSK31, RTTY and SSTV
on 40m/20m/15m/10m. QSL direct or via DW1OXL (d) and eQSL.

General information IOTA: IOTA Charges are increasing on Jan 1, 2013.
See: http://www.rsgbiota.org/info/directory/charges-en.pdf and
http://www.rsgbiota.org

ILLW 2013: The next "International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend" will
take place on Aug 17/18. Until now there have been 100 announcements
already. See also: http://www.illw.net

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

27Nov-14Dec 3B8/F1BCS 1808
Resident 3B8BAE 1808
-28Feb 3Z5MT 1808
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
09Nov-09Mar 4S7KKG 1805
-16Dec 5G12ITD 1807
08Oct-15Dec 5H3NP 1798
16Nov- 5T0JL 1772/1806
08Dec-01Mar 5W0W 1809/1810 *
-15Dec 5X1NH 1801/1802
-2014 5Z4/LA4GHA.. 1810 *
-2014 5Z4EE 1803/1807
2012 6D0LM 1774
-Jan 6Y5/W8YCM 1809
Unknown 7P8CC 1807
Dec17- 7P8RI 1810 *
Resident 7Q7DFC 1805
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Dec 8J1KS 1800
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
Resident 8J1RL 1809
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-31Dec 8J1STGY 1800
-31Dec 8J3IPA 1802
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Mar 8J5SSS 1807
10Dec-03Mar 8J6HAM 1809
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
-31Dec 8N1CJ 1807
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
30Okt-26Dec 9M2MRS 1803
Resident 9V1KK 1803
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

Resident A22LL 1803
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
-10Mar BM0LF.. 1805
01Dec-13Dec C6AEE 1808/1810 *
07Dec-12Dec C6AVA 1809
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
Resident CD6713 1805
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771
01Dec-12Dec C6AGG 1808

01Dec-Jan/13 C6AGT 1808
-Dec CW90A 1805
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
05Nov-15Feb D3AA 1806
-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
2012? DL0SLITISA 1764
-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
01Jan-31Dec DL1630Y 1760
-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
01Jan-31Dec DM100MGY 1763
01Jan-31Dec DM50KSJ 1763
-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791
08Dec-Dec/13 DU9/M0GHQ 1810 *

10Dec-05Jan E51E 1809
-31Dec E720RS 1770
-20Dec EA8/DG1BH 1809
03Dec-12Feb EA8/IK1PMR 1808
03Dec-12Feb EA8/PA3LEO 1808
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
-15Dec EN290L 1808
Unknown ET3AA 1805
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
-15Dec FK/VK6DXI 1807
-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Nov-15Dec HF70TWARDY 1804
-31Dec HG90ST 1804
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
-01Jan II0XMAS 1810 *
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763

-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
-17Dec J79WTA 1804
10Dec-13Dec JD1BLY 1809
-11Apr JX9JKA 1773/1807
18Dec-22Dec K3LP/KP4 1810 *
-Mar/13 K6H 1803
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680

-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
Long term KP2/NQ3X 1799/1803
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
Resident OD5RW 1799
13Dec-16Dec OF3I 1810 *
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
Dec OH9SCL.. 1810 *
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
01Dec-31Dec OP200HC.. 1808
-31Dec P3EU 1786
-01Jan PA12XMAS 1810 *
-28Dec PF35FRAG 1809
01Dec-28Dec PG100NOM 1807
-18Dec PJ2/PA0VDV 1809
30Nov-12Dec PJ5J 1808
-20Dec PQ125GBA 1808

-31Dec R20BIS 1809
22Dec-17Feb RI1ANC 1810 *
-15Jan S505SLG 1803
-15Jan S512IAPMC 1803
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
15Dec-28Dec S79NEN 1810 *
18Dec-07Jan S79QT 1810 *
Dec SN15ZIP 1808
Resident ST2FT 1808
-Feb/13 T6LG 1795/1807
-Ovt/13 T6MH 1806
-2014 T6T 1810 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-13Jan TG9/KF5LSG.. 1807
-2015? TJ3SN (?) 1806
-15Dec TM101O 1809
08Dec-10Dec TM1TARA 1809
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
07Dec-12Dec TM2VD 1806/1809
-15Dec TM62LL 1809
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763

-18Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1809
04Dec-12Dec V63XG 1808/1809
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
Resident VK4FMAG 1807
Unknown VK8/OZ1AA 1809
Unknown VP8CMH/mm.. 1804
Unknown VP8DFR 1803
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
05Dec-17Dec XU1A 1809
12Dec-04Jan XV0VR 1810 *

Resident XV4Y 1808
15Dec-15Jan YC9MLL 1810 *
14Nov- YI1IRQ 1807
Unknown Z88Z 1800
-Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

3B8BAE via K5XK (d)
3Z1K via SP1KRF (B)
5W0KY via VK2ZKY
5W0RK via VK4VB (d)
5W0W via NR6M (B)
5Z4/LA4GHA via LA4GHA (B)
7P8RI (d) (QRZ.COM), (L)
9A55AX via 9A4J
A641ND via IZ8CLM (B)
A65BP via UA6MF (B)
AH0BT via 7L1FPU (B)
BG4QNE (d), (L)
C6AEE via N2GG (B)
C6AKQ via N4BP (d)
CQ8PV via CU3AU
CW5W via CX6VM (d)
DL0DAN via DJ4BP (B)
DL0WXR via DL7ARB (B)
DL125HHZ via DJ9BM (B)
DP7X via DL6IAK (B)
DU9/M0GHQ via M0GHQ (B)
E51C via HB9BXU
EA8/DJ6YC via DJ6YC (B)
EA8/IK1PMR via IK1PMR (d)
EF5Y via EA5GTQ (LoTW only)
EG1RKP via EA1RCI
EH8FPA via EA8CZT (B)
EL2A via G3SXW (B)
EN400UG via US5UZ
FK8CE via LZ1JZ (B)
H44MS via DL2GAC (B)
HG8C via HA8EK
HG90ST via HA6NL (B)
II0TH via I0YCB (eQSL)
II0XMAS via M0OXO (B), eQSL
II3SB via IW3IE (B)
J6/KA9P via KA9P (B)
J6/N7QT via N7QT (B), (L), eQSL
J6/W4VAB via W4VAB (B), (L), eQSL

J6/W5TDY via W5TDY (B), (L)
J6/W6ABM via W6ABM (L)
K3LR/KP4 via K3LR (B)
L33M via LU1MA (L), eQSL
LZ1500PNB via LZ1KCP (B), (L)
OE8SKQ (d), (L)
OF3I (L)
OF9X via OH2BH (B)
OH9SCL via OH9AB (B)
OL1C via OK1ONA (B), (L)
ON101BOB via ON3EA (B)
OQ200HC via ON4CBU (d)
OR200HC via ON3AIM (B)
OS3A via ON5SA (B)
OV1CDX via OZ1GML (d)
OX/OZ1LXJ via OZ1LXJ (d)
P29ZAD via NI5DX (B)
P40CX via K8CX (B)
PA12XMAS via PB5X (B)
PB12XMAS via PB5X (B)
PD12MAS via PB5X (B)
PF35BTA via PA2BTA (B)
PD35RKA via PD0RKA (B), (L), eQSL
PF35FRAG via PI4FRG (B)
PF35WRD via PA2WRD (B)
PF35OLM via PE1OLM
PJ2/K8ND via K8ND (B)
PJ5J via JA1HGY (B)
RI1ANC via RN1ON (B)
S79DX via R9DX
S79NEN via DO5NEN
S79QT via DC8QT (B)
SI5Y via SM5BKK (B)
SP73VOT via SP5PBE (B), (L)
SU9VB via UA4WHX (B), (L)
T6T via RL3AR(B), eQSL
TM4TLT via F4KIP (B)
TM62LL via F8KHW (eQSL)
TO7A via UT5UGR (B)
V31NO via W3NO
V63EPO via JA7EPO (L), (d)
VP2V/K6TOP via K6TOP
XU1A via JH1AJT (B)
XV2RZ via OH4MDY (d)
YN5ZO via K7ZO (L)
ZF1EJ via K6AM (B)
ZL9HR via EB7DX (L), (d)
ZP6LMR via K2DER (d)
P9MCE via EA5ZD (d)
XV0VR via DD0VR (B)

YC9MLL via (d) oder DW1OXL (d)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: 7O6T (UA3DX and GDXF), 9K9HQ (9K2HN), YV4MP

QSLs arrived LoTW: PT0S (St. Peter & Paul Rocks), TT8TT

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2541. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 13 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-13 07:38:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303dd38819677404d0b6ff87@google.com>
Source record: 1208
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Playground Amateur Radio Club Hamfest March 15, 16 2013

Posted: 12 Dec 2012 08:14 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371791-Playground-Amateur-Radio-Club-Hamfest-March-15-16-2013&goto=newpost

Playground Amateur Radio Club in Fort Walton Beach Florida 43 rd annual hamfest will take place at the C.H. Bull Rigdon Fairgrounds, 1958 Lewis Turner Boulevard, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547, March 15, 16, 2013. Info at http://www.w4zbb.org

2542. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 16 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-13 09:02:57 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <2658feff-7778-4cd0-a262-00008780256c@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
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WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 16 2012.

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THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING DEC 16 2012.

Wyong Mini-Contest-University - February 23rd. 2013 at Wyong.

Trent VK4TS, WIA Director for Awards and Contests is locked in as keynote
speaker to introduce the day. As well as material from the Dayton Contest
University, kindly supplied by Tim K3LR, some local content has been offered
to be presented by members of the VKCC group.

One aim of the "MCU" is to help people understand what contesting is all about.
It's hoped that people who are sitting on the contest sidelines, not knowing
how to move forward can gain from attending this (free) event.

As well as the educational content it is hoped that the networking component
the chance to meet the people you have heard (or heard of) will also form a
major part of the day. The day will run from 10 am to 4pm on Saturday 23rd.

February with an hour break for lunch and if there is sufficient interest extend to a get together and meal in the evening at a local pub or restaurant joining up with others coming to the Field day on the Sunday.

Information and details on how to register can be found under the mini contest university link in the sidebar of www.fieldday.org.au or directly from the link on the Dayton Contest University page at www.contestuniversity.com

(Ed VK2JI)

Masthead TV devices and electric fences

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has a masthead and distribution amplifier fact sheet, and a media article on electrically powered fences - both which can cause interference.

In marginal TV reception areas it is finding faulty, due to age or misuse, mastehead amplifiers that radiate a signal affecting TV viewing, mobile phones, two-way radios and heard on the amateur radio bands.

ACMA field officers have found them either overloaded to distortion, internally mixing a multitude of high level signals, or going into self-oscillation.

Distribution amplifiers are also designed to feed a number of TV sets from a single antenna, but never to oscillate and become an unintended radiator.

Meantime, the ACMA in the Hoofbeats magazine read mainly by horse owners, warns then about the interference that may be caused by faulty electric fences.

The fact sheet and article give helpful installation and operational advice, to avoid fines the ACMA may issue if it enforces the Radiocommunications Act.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

Proposed changes to radio service in Darwin and Katherine

The Australian Communications and Media Authority is seeking public comment on proposed changes to improve and add radio services in the Darwin and Katherine area.

The ACMA is proposing to amend the Licence Area Plan - Darwin Radio to: formalise the operation of 8PNN Darwin and Katherine and 8HOT and 8MIX Adelaide River improve the operation of the Darwin radio broadcasting services 8ABCFM, 8DDD, 8JJJ, 8PNN, 8SBSFM, 8HOT & 8MIX, 8GGG, 8KNB & 8TOP and the Katherine radio broadcasting service 8KTR make a frequency available for a new community radio service to be provided in Darwin.

The proposed changes are contained in the Draft Variation to Licence Area Plan - Darwin Radio - No. 2 of 2012 and discussed in accompanying explanatory paper.

The documents are available on the ACMA's website or by calling 1300 850 115.

The closing date for comments on the proposals is 5pm Friday 11 January 2013.

(acma.gov.au)

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Have you prepared for the last weekend in May; the 2013 WIA AGM and Conference?

Hosted in the Maritime Hub of Fremantle in Western Australia, the 2013 Conference in May offers you the best in Amateur Radio, with seminars, workshops and social activities for Amateur Radio enthusiasts and their partners. Hosted by Western Australian Amateur Radio Clubs and held at the Tradewinds Hotel in Fremantle, it's going to be your event. Why should you make the trip across the globe to Western Australia to visit the most isolated capital city in the world? Find out!

The 2013 WIA AGM and Conference, it's all about Engaging, Learning, Appreciating, Socializing and Discovering.

You'll find all the information online at the VK6 conference site, conference.vk6.net

HAMS ACROSS AUSTRALIA.

VK3
web service:- http://www.amateurradio.com.au/news/

EMDRC Christmas Foundation Course

For those folk who have heard about Amateur Radio and would like to get involved in the hobby and get on the air with a Foundation Licence, and who may be looking for something to do in the few days between Christmas and New year, then have we a deal for you !
The Eastern and Mountain District Radio Club will once again be running its special Christmas Foundation course.
The course will be run on Thursday the 27th of December with the assessments taking place on the morning of Friday the 28th of December

The course will be held at our EMDRC Clubrooms located at 13a McCubbin Street Burwood, for those not familiar with the area, its location is very close to the RSPCA on Burwood Highway, ideal if you plan on coming by public transport. If you are coming by car, there is plenty of parking available onsite.
To arrive at the clubrooms, simply drive west down McCubbin street and look for the lane way on your left hand side, you will find the clubrooms (Scout Hall) at the bottom of

the lane way.

The course instructors will be myself Robert Broomhead
VK3DN and Damian Ayers VK3KQ.
The Sunday morning the assessments will be run by myself
with Keith VK3FT and assistance from other assessors..

Further details on the EMDRC club website http://www.emdrc.com.au

VK4 - QNEWS
Send your stories for news. SCRIPT to qnews@wia.org.au
send audio to http://www.wia.org.au/members/broadcast/upload/

get local audio news www.wiaq.org.au/ftp/vk4_qnews_64.mp3
get local news emailed qnews-vk-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Cairns Region VHF Repeater back on air

The VK4RCA Cairns 2 metre voice repeater has finally planted its feet yet
again.

After being retrieved from the Mount Yarrabah site and many months of
refurbishment and reliability testing on the workbench the repeater equipment
has received the tick of approval and has just been installed at the
Mount Haren repeater site, up on the range behind Kuranda.

With 13 Watts to the antenna and a 6 dB antenna to boot, the repeater should
have good coverage across the Atherton Tableland region plus good access
from Cairns and the Northern Beaches.

Access and reception reports are requested
secretary@carc.org.au

VK7
vk7 local news, email vk7regionalnews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vk7regionalnews/

VK7RCH Antenna Upgrade

The old repeater antenna from VK7RTC - Mt.Nelson has been removed to
reinstall at Grey Mountain at the next possible chance.

This involved careful manoeuvring on top of the tower in windy conditions and
a difficult removal of the antenna from its mast clamp.

The mast had to be cut at the bottom near the plate, and the stays unbolted.

The whole assembly had to be lowered down onto the top of the tower, while
taking care with the weight of the mast - an estimated 50 plus kilos!

A new blog has also been started to check out the status of the repeater
and other associated projects.

The web address is in the email addition of this broadcast.

http://vk7rch.blogspot.com.au/

(Hayden, VK7HA via vk7wia news)

OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2012-13

AMSAT Straight Key Night on OSCAR 2013

You are invited to participate in Straight Key Night on OSCAR 2013.

This year's AMSAT event is dedicated to the memory of John Thompson, W1BIH/PJ9JT, who passed away this year aged 96.

Although known primarily as an HF DXer and contester, John was also active on OSCAR, mostly on CW.

As always, S.K.N. on OSCAR is simple and informal.

Just operate CW through one or more satellites on 1 January 2013 (0000 to 2400 UTC), using a straight hand key.

There is no need to send in a log, but all participants are encouraged to nominate someone they worked for Best Fist.

Your nominee need not have the best fist of anyone you heard, only of those you worked.

Send your nomination to w2rs@amsat.org

SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE

New address for Canada QSL Bureau

The address for the Canadian QSL bureau has changed.

All QSL cards for Canada should be sent to

RAC National Incoming QSL Bureau,
Box 51, Saint John, NB E2L 3X1,
Canada.

8J6HAM - celebrating the 12th West Japan Ham Fair on AS-077 Kyushu
10 Dec to 3 Mar

8N119T - celebrating the 65th anniversary of the Tokyo Fire Department
(119 is the emergency fire/ambulance number in Japan)
23 Dec to 25 Mar active on all HF bands and modes.

DISCUSSION POINT

What use is an f-call?

I'm about to go on a couple of trips and thought that it might be a good idea to have a radio with me, if nothing else, a great opportunity to talk to some locals on their local repeater.

I have a portable kit, that is a Yaesu 857d with 2 x 26Ah batteries which goes forever using 10 Watts. My back of napkin calculation says that on 2m I can transmit continuously for over 12 hours with that - more realistically, if I transmit 10 minutes out of every hour, over 40 hours, though I've never

tested it and likely the numbers will be different for HF using SSB with my Antenna Tuner plugged in.

This amazing battery life comes at a cost, namely size and weight. The batteries fit in a medium size tool-box, and each battery uses more than 8kg from my luggage allowance, so, if I was keen, I could stick my radio and 16 kg of battery in my suitcase and take my toothbrush but I'm pretty sure my hosts would prefer I packed some clean clothes as well.

I've been shopping around for a hand-held and I know that for $100 bucks or so I could select from any number of cheap hand-helds which for some reason that I'm yet to determine the Amateur Radio fraternity appears to refer to as Handy Talkies, rather than Walkie Talkies. The closest I can come is that a HT, or Handheld Transceiver once got explained by a Walkie Talkie User as a Handy Talkie and it stuck, but I don't know; what's in a name?

Anyway, I'd like to be able to use the same accessories I already have, like the nice remote microphone that cost more than the hand-held I can get, my battery charger, the mount I already have in my car, etc.

A friendly HAM had loaned me a hand-held radio for a previous journey and I'm borrowing another one this weekend from another HAM - which is a fantastic way to try before you buy - but I'm not yet convinced.

I've begun to investigate solving the problem in another way. Pack my current radio into a satchel, add a small lithium ion battery of some description and I've got my "normal" radio with me when I travel. I don't yet know if that's going to work - for example, I've not yet figured out how to deal with the antenna, since the radio isn't really designed for sitting on its tail with an antenna hanging out, but perhaps I can set it on a flat surface and poke a multi-band antenna out the back.

I won't be able to attach it to my belt and at this time that's not a great concern.

Ironically, when I started, I skipped the hand-held option and my go-kit has gotten larger and heavier every time I find another essential tool. I think I might need to make two go-kits, one mobile and one portable - hi hi.

It seems that even if you bought yourself your ultimate radio, your needs change.

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

ZL Amateur Access to 600 Metres

The band 472 kHz to 479 kHz was allocated to the Amateur service for use on a secondary basis at the World Radiocommunication Conference held earlier this year.

New Zealand Amateurs will be given access to this band with the Radio Spectrum Policy and Planning Group of the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment:

Type of allocation: Secondary
Power Output : 25 W eirp
No Bandwidth restrictions:

As a result of this new ZL allocation, Amateurs will no longer have access to the previous temporary allocation at 505 - 515 kHz. The Ministry has, however, agreed that the temporary use in the band 505 kHz to 515 kHz will be permitted for one further year, until the end of 2013, to provide amateurs with an opportunity to retune and/or rebuild their equipment.

BIRD MEN OF SAN QUENTIN

NBC News reports in the USA that inmates at San Quentin prison are building CubeSat orbital deployers.

P-PODs, Poly Picosatellite Orbital Deployers are aluminium boxes designed to hold tiny satellites known as CubeSats, which ride "piggyback" into space as secondary payloads

Watch the NBC video at

http://usnews.nbcnews.com/_news/2012/12/06/15730738-san-quentin-inmates-building-satellite-hardware-for-nasa?lite

Foreign licensees in South Korea

When applying for a South Korean license foreign amateurs may choose between a Korean callsign or HL*/homecall.

The callsign blocks range from HL1Z** to HL1Z** and the number depends on the location in Korea.

The foreign language repeater in Seoul was moved on top of a 600m high mountain: RX 439.6 MHz, TX 434.6 MHz with 123 Hz subtone.

Interestingly, any language OTHER than Korean is allowed on this repeater.

ITU Radio Regulations 2012 available for download

The 2012 edition of the ITU Radio Regulations which includes the results of WRC-12 is now available.

The Radio Regulations, Edition of 2012, contains the complete texts of the Radio Regulations as adopted by the World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 1995) (WRC-95) subsequently revised and approved by the World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 1997) (WRC-97).

World Radiocommunication Conference (Istanbul, 2000) (WRC-2000),
World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 2003) (WRC-03)
World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 2007) (WRC-07)
World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 2012) (WRC-12),
including all Appendices, Resolutions, Recommendations and ITU-R

Recommendations incorporated by reference.

The free download is available at
www.itu.int/pub/R-REG-RR-2012/en

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

TAIWAN RADIO HAMS SEEK ADDITIONAL ALLOCATIONS

Hams in Taiwan say that they are in need of
additional operating spectrum and have prepared a
report that explains what, where and why.
Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, has the details:

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Taiwan's national society the CTARL, presented a
paper regarding amateur radio in that country at
the recent IARU Region 3 conference. In it the
Taiwanese ham radio community says that it is
seeking to expand several amateur allocations.

On 80 meters where they currently only have 3.5
to 3.5125 and 3.55 to 3.5625 MHz, they are
seeking an allocation from 3.5 to 3.9 MHz. On 6
meters they have just 50 to 50.0125 and 50.11 to
50.1225 MHz. As such they are seeking the entire
50.0 to 54.0 MHz band and to add 146 to 148 MHz
to their existing 144 to 146 MHz allocation.

Taiwan has very limited amateur allocations in
the UHF and Microwave bands, only 430 to 432,
1260 to 1265 and 2440 to 2450 MHz. There they
seek to expand these allocations to from 430 to 440
and 1240 to 1300 MHz.

Of interest, the CTARL reports that its
membership is now just 362. In 2000 the IARU
reported it had a membership of 1264 out of an
amateur population of 24,324. This indicates
that they have lost 72% of their members this
century and one can speculate that perhaps the
number of radio amateurs in that nation has had a similar sharp decline.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF,
in Nelson. New Zealand.

ZONECASTING TO BE TRIED ON THE FM BAND IF FCC SAYS OK

Something new may soon be coming to the FM
broadcast band in the United States. This if a
proposed system called ZoneCasting proves out its proposed technology.

ZoneCasting is the result of research and
development by a company known as Geo-Broadcast
Solutions. It proposes to use a series of
booster transmitters to give FM radio stations
the ability to divide their coverage areas into
geographic zones and "geo-target" their
advertising and programming. Geo-Broadcast
Solutions says its ZoneCasting system uses GPS
and mobile broadband technologies to slice up the
FM signal but avoid interference via a
single-frequency network made up of FM boosters.

To allow the system to work, the company has
asked the FCC to modify its current rule that
prohibits booster stations from originating
programming. A booster operates on the same
frequency as an FM station's main channel and is
used to improve signal within the station's coverage contour.

The company and Harris are partnering on the
first commercial test, which is expected to
launch early next year at WRMF-FM in Palm Beach,
Florida. Broadcast engineers say that limiting
interference between a main channel signal and
booster can be a challenge. Geo-Broadcast
Solutions said the purpose of the test at WRMF is
to prove ZoneCasting will not cause that type of a problem.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FEMALES IN RADIO
ALARA - AUSTRALIAN LADIES AR ASSOCIATION
http://alara.org.au
Net is held each Mondays on 3.570 MHz, commencing at 1030 UTC.
(1000utc during daylight saving)
geencee@picknowl.com.au

Meet The YL's Of Amateur Radio"

Jean VK3VIP President and VK3 State Representative for ALARA asks
"Would you like to meet YL's interested in Amateur Radio?"

If so then you are invited to go along to Bundoora Park Rotunda no 6 from
10:30am Sunday January 27. (That's in maiden head square QF22MH).

Assisted by members of WANSARC the Ladies of ALARA will be holding a special
meet the YL's BBQ. BYO Meat but salads and sweets along with tea and coffee
will be provided.

Talk in 146.450Mhz Simplex"

There will also be a special event station operating and the entire day will
be televised on VK3RTV digital ATV

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- FINAL FRONTIER

Mission confirmed: British singer Brightman to blast off to space

The Space Adventures agency has confirmed that Phantom of the Opera star Sarah Brightman has signed an agreement with the Russian Space Agency and secured herself a space trip in 2015.

"All legal matters have been settled," the Space Adventures agency said in a statement.

Last month the singer told Russian Trud newspaper she will also have to learn some Russian before her space trip to be able to communicate with the crew.

"I wish some alien would kidnap me," the singer who was once married to composer Andrew Lloyd Webber and starred in the original "Phantom of the Opera" productions said in October.

The Russian Space Agency did not disclose any details of the contract with Brightman, who will join professional cosmonauts on a Russian Soyuz mission to the international space station in three years' time

http://rt.com/art-and-culture/news/singer-brightman-space-russian-359/

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RADIO SCOUTING
http://www.scouts.com.au
http://www.scout.org/jota
http://www.international.scouts.com.au

CALLING FREQUENCIES
Please QSY off the calling frequency after establishing communication.

Australian voice calling frequencies:
3.650, 7.090, 14.190, 21.190, 28.590, 52.160

World CW calling frequencies:
3.570, 7.030, 14.060, 18.080, 21.140, 24.910, 28.180, 50.160

World voice calling frequencies:
3.690 & 3.940 MHz, 7.090 & 7.190, 14.290, 18.140, 21.360,
24.960, 28.390, 50.160

Calling frequencies for Slow Scan TV (SSTV):
3.630, 7.033, 14.227

Calling Frequencies for PSK31
14.070

How time flies, as they say and the 2nd of January may be a Scots day of recovery after Hogmanay but in Maryborough, Queensland, it marks the beginning of 10 action packed days of the Australian Scout Jamboree, AJ2013.

During this past week the courier brought the well boxed HF radio which Icom Australia has donated to the event.

VK4KEV has configured his Echo/IRLP box and registered the Jamboree call sign VI4ASJ for use on the amateur internet linking services of EchoLink and IRLP. Providing the internet remains up, contact from the Jamboree will be

available through these services 24hours a day, worldwide, using 2m simplex.

To find the Jamboree station on EchoLink, you will need to look under the -L listings and with a VI prefix it should be top of the Australian calls. On IRLP the node number will be 6496

Refer to page 27 of this month's Amateur Radio magazine for a listing of the VK and worldwide Scouting calling frequencies. If the magic band of 6m is running listen on both the SSB and FM frequencies.

This station is licenced to operate for 14 days only and at the height of the Aussie summer should provide some interesting contacts with T/E, troppo and ducting all possible. Listen out for VI4ASJ from 1st January, 2013.

For WIA News, I'm Geoff, VK4ZPP from MERG, Inc.

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

WICEN members in Tassie, Peter VK7KPC, Wayne Hodge & Norm VK7KTN attended the Endurance Horse Riding State Championships at Sassafras.

A field of 100+ riders and 2 simultaneous events made for a busy time on the radios.

A highlight of the weekend was the inaugural use of CCARC's mobile comms trailer. This a cabin built on top of a tandem trailer, which is an improvement over a tent normally used for base HQ. It also obviates the risk of 240V equipment mixing with the environment in a wet tent.

CCARC & NTARC WICEN groups have also agreed to investigate the use of the Narrow Band Emergency Messaging System.

N.B.E.M.S, which has been adopted by the ARRL, is based on the use of any transceiver with a digital box (e.g. SIGNAL LINK) attached. Messages are transmitted using email like forms to a base & then decoded, and can be put direct into word processor or spread sheet.

Message protocols are based on United Nations Disaster Management Systems, giving this system a worldwide standard.

(sourced to vk7wi news)

Hams ready for double disaster

Typhoon Bopha that killed at least 700 people in southern Philippines, leaving a trail of mayhem behind, re-emerged out of the South China Sea last week to hit the northern part of the archipelago.

The Philippines's strongest typhoon first reached landfall on the island of Mindanao with 210km'/h winds on December the 4th, and returned to Luzon in the north last weekend.

Active during both disasters were the ham radio networks, organised through the national IARU society, the Philippines Amateur Radio Association (PARA).

Those nets handled emergency and welfare traffic, gave weather reports, detailed utility and infrastructure outages.

The typhoon just missed nearby Guam and was headed for the southern island of Mindanao.

At the time PARA had its 80th birthday celebrations in Manila. Soon after it asked that the emergency nets activate on VHF, for long haul traffic 7095 kHz, echo-link and social media.

What unfolded was an outstanding effort that included evacuations of riverside and low-lying communities and coordination of rescues including those at sea.

The networks played an important coordination role in the south with the Disaster Response Team of the Philippine Red Cross, Delta Fire Volunteers, and the Coastguard.

Among the action was DX5RAN, the District 5 Radio Amateur Network. That net worked with the City Government of Tacloban and the City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council.

There were many radio amateurs involved. As the toll rose and losses, including export banana plantations on Mindanao mounted, the typhoon returned to northern Luzon. Although downgraded it dumped heavy rain causing flooding and landslides.

Early evacuations in both the south and the north were attributed by the authorities as saving many lives. Many are still missing in southern areas and fishermen at sea.

More than 5.4 million people were affected including 116,400 in evacuation centres.

The Vice Chief Operating Officer of PARA, Ramon J. Anquilan DU1UGZ, said both nets were now closed.

He thanked everyone for coordinating the activities and the worldwide assistance in keeping the HF emergency frequency clear.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee)

SOCIAL SCENE 2013

JAN 27 VK3 MEET THE YL's OF AMATEUR RADIO Bundoora Park Rotunda #6

FEB 24 VK WYONG FIELD DAY

MAR 24 VK7 "Meet the Voice" barbecue at Ross.

MAY 24-25 VK6 WIA AGM AND CONFERENCE IN PERTH

With the 2013 WIA AGM and Conference just about 160 days away, the organising committee have much to share and planning ahead is well under way.

They have opened up expression of interest for the Symposium
and would like to invite you to discuss this in your club and
make a submission to present to the community.

They intend to run several streams.

http://conference.vk6.net/expressions-of-interest/

More conference information is available online at
http://conference.vk6.net/

AUG 17-18 WW ILLW

Oct 3- 7 VK4 North Queensland Amateur Radio Convention Charters Towers

NOV 3 VK5 HamFest Adelaide Hills Amateur Radio Society 2 Goodwood.

NOV 15-17 VK3 Victorian National Parks Weekend

Nov 24 VK3 Southern Peninsula Amateur Radio Club: Rosebud RadioFest

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slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your
item write in the 3rd person.

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even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize
their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

The purpose of "WIANews" is to rapidly provide news of interest to
active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

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2543. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 13 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-13 11:23:15 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0447a119ccbb3004d0ba2388@google.com>
Source record: 1210
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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FITSAT-1 Optical Morse Beacon seen over Japan

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A test of the FITSAT-1 LED optical Morse code beacon that took place on
December 11 GMT over Japan was successful

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

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Dull, low down, scratchy week. Then came the contest!

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Save Hams of Leganes: one year on..

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It's the first anniversary of this cause on Facebook, due to the
prohibition of installing antennas in that Spanish city

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OQRS for ZL9HR now active

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The clublog Online QSL Request System (OQRS) is active for those who wish
to request their QSL cards electronically

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At Last! Latest edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter now available

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Following receipt of the recent news from Ofcom concerning 5 MHz changes, we are pleased to announce the Autumn/Winter edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter is now available

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Q_47UWffet0/december_13.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

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NOW is the Time to Become a Ham Radio Operator!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1R92Ckaaghw/now_is_the_time_to_become_a_ham_radio_operator.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager, Allen Pitts, W1AGP was interviewed on the syndicated Josh Tolley radio show

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KB3IPY - My Journey Learning Morse Code

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/f5bw-DoN0BE/kb3ipy_my_journey_learning_morse_code.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David Brown KB3IPY has set himself the goal of learning Morse code by the end of the year

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73 on TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/GADeqnofqJw/73_on_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

73 in well known in Ham Radio circles as meaning Best Regards but it has also cropped up on the popular TV show The Big Bang Theory

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Santa Claus on-the-air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/n3H5INC4tAo/santa_claus_on_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Though there is still no separate DXCC 'North Pole', Santa Claus lives in cold and harsh conditions under the northern lights in the region of Santa Claus in Lapland in northern Finland

2544. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 13 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-13 17:16:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5039c66efb9304d0bf1177@google.com>
Source record: 1211
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: APRS, APRS, and even more APRS... from the DCC

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 08:12 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371945-HamRadioNow-APRS-APRS-and-even-more-APRS-from-the-DCC&goto=newpost

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Episodes 38, 39 and 40 from the ARRL/TAPR DCC

Episode 38: An Open-Source APRS-IS Server

Running on Raspberry Pi, no less! APRS-IS is the network that shuttles all
that APRS data

around the world. The results show up on web sites like www.aprs.fi. In
this talk, aprs.fi's

Hessu Hannikainen OH7LZB digs into the stuff that makes APRS-IS run. And
yes, he has

one of the servers running on a little Raspberry Pi.

Episode 39: YAAC - Yet Another APRS Client

Andrew KA2DDO titled his talk as if there were too many APRS clients, and
maybe there are.

But his list of features and functions in this multi-platform program has
Bob Bruninga smiling.

Bob makes a guest appearance at the end of the episode. If you use APRS and
have been

hunting for a better interface, here's a rare opportunity to learn about a
good new one, in depth,

from the guy who wrote it.

HamRadioNow

Episode 40: APRS.fi - Behind the Curtains

If you're into APRS at all, odds are you've spent a fair amount of time on
the APRS.fi web site.

Odds also are that you've missed a lot of the features and functions of the site! And unless you've

already watched Episode 38, you have no idea who and what is behind this amazing web site.

So meet Hessu Hannikainen OH7LZB and get to know this resource a lot better.

HamRadioNow

The ARRL/TAPR DCCis an annual, three-day conference featuring presentations on a variety of

technical and operational aspects of Amateur Radio. This year's DCC, held in Atlanta last

September, had 16 of the 45-minute main presentations, the usual Saturday banquet talk,

and a four-hour "deep dive" into GNU radio on Sunday. HamRadioNow videotaped all the talks,

and we are now releasing them on-line. We'll continue with one or two a week until

you have them all.

Watch these episodes at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

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and 'click the pig'

2545. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 13 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-13 17:46:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399697dd11d904d0bf7ff9@google.com>
Source record: 1212
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Honoring Veterans - N5W Wreaths Across America Day

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 05:00 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371926-Honoring-Veterans-N5W-Wreaths-Across-America-Day&goto=newpost

wreath.JPGThe Noise Blankers Radio Group and N5W will commemorate U.S. veterans and Wreaths Across America Day from Fayetteville, Arkansas, this Saturday, December 15. Volunteers will place memorial wreaths at U.S. National Cemeteries, including Arlington National Cemetery, Fayetteville (Arkansas) National Cemetery and those overseas. The U.S. National Cemetery in Fayetteville is one of the original cemeteries commissioned by President Abraham Lincoln. Still in use, there are currently over 7200 interments ☐ and all will receive memorial wreaths this year.

[SIZE=3]Special memorials will also be placed at Bunker Hill, Charleston Naval Shipyard, and a wreath display to honor victims of 9-11 in New York City, the Pentagon, and Shanksville.

Operating details: Dec 15, 1700Z-2359Z, N5W, Fayetteville, AR. Bands: 40, 20, 15, 10. QSL via WB0RUR.

Real-time updates will be sent via Twitter: @K5KVN, @K5PO and @WB0RUR

Attached Images

wreath.JPG
(20.8 KB)

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A63HI Umm Al Hatab Island

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:33 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?371922-A63HI-Umm-Al-Hatab-Island&goto=newpost

Members of Emirates Amateur Radio Society will be active from Umm Al Hatab Island (IOTA AS-021) 19-24 December 2012 as A63HI

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-hatab-island/

73 Al 4L5A

2546. The ARRL Letter for December 13, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-14 03:34:40 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121213212303.142D12725F@bmail.arrl.org>
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This is the last ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News for 2012. Both the
ARRL Letter and ARRL Audio News will resume Thursday, January 10, 2013.
Thanks for reading The ARRL Letter each week -- we'll see you next
year!

==> + FCC NEWS: ARRL FILES PETITION FOR RULEMAKING WITH FCC TO CREATE
NEW MF BAND AT 472-479 KHZ

<http://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/publications/spectrum_wall_chart_aug2011.
pdf>
At the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12), delegates
approved a means of satisfying Agenda Item 1.23: a 7-kilohertz-wide
secondary allocation between 472-479 kHz for the Amateur Radio Service,
with a power limit of 5 W EIRP (or 1 W EIRP, depending on location).
Before this portion of spectrum is made available to radio amateurs in
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the US, the FCC must first approve its use and amend its rules to reflect the change. As such, the ARRL filed a Petition for Rulemaking on November 29, asking the FCC to amend Parts 2 and 97 of its rules and create a domestic Amateur Radio allocation at 472-479 kHz, conforming to the allocation status and limitations set forth in the international Radio Regulations. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-files-petition-for-rulemaking-with-fcc-to-crea te-new-mf-band-at-472-479-khz>.

==> + FCC NEWS: FCC REDUCES NEW JERSEY HAM'S FORFEITURE FROM $20,000 TO $16,000

After unsuccessfully appealing to the FCC to cancel his $20,000 forfeiture, Joaquim Barbosa, N2KBJ, of Elizabeth, New Jersey must pay $16,000 for "willfully and repeatedly violating Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by operating a radio transmitting equipment on the frequency 296.550 MHz without Commission authorization."

The FCC noted in the Forfeiture Order that based on the examination process involved in pursuing an amateur license, "amateur licensees are expected to have an understanding of radio operations and pertinent FCC regulations, including Part 97 of the FCC's rules governing the Amateur Radio Service. Licensed amateur operators know that they are authorized to operate only on the frequencies listed in Section 97.301 of the rules, as designated by their operator class and license. Pursuant to the Table of Allocations, the 267-322 MHz band -- the band that Barbosa was operating in -- is allocated solely for federal government use, which we continue to believe Barbosa knew (or should have known) was not authorized for non-government use." Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-finds-new-jersey-ham-violated-communication-act -reduces-forfeiture-from-20-000-to-16-000>.

==> + INTERNATIONAL: IARU WELCOMES TWO NEW MEMBER SOCIETIES

Earlier this year, the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) notified its Member Societies that two new national Amateur Radio organizations wished to join the IARU and would need to be voted in: the Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan (FRSA) and the St Vincent and Grenadines Amateur Radio Club (SVGARC). Ballots from all the Member Societies that responded were counted on November 1 and adopted.

Based in Baku, Azerbaijan, the FRSA was formally organized on December 30, 2001. There are 50 licensed members of the FRSA out of a total amateur population of approximately 50 in Azerbaijan. The SVGARC is based in St Vincent, St Vincent and the Grenadines and was formally organized in 1951. There are 21 licensed members of the SVGARC, out of a total amateur population of approximately 134 in the country. Both organizations have confirmed to the IARU that they have the ability to meet financial obligations as members of the IARU, are legally able to act in the furtherance of IARU objectives within their respective countries and will adhere to the Constitutions of both the IARU and its

respective Regional Organization. Read more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/iaru-welcomes-two-new-member-societies-sets-new-gui
delines-for-election-of-president-and-vice-presid>.

==> + LOGBOOK OF THE WORLD WEB PAGE NOW FEATURES DAILY AND HOURLY
STATUS UPDATES

The ARRL has created a new informational page
<http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world> to issue daily status
updates and information of interest to the Logbook of The World (LoTW
<http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>) user community. These
updates will include planned downtime and changes that will impact LoTW
operations. In addition, LoTW's processing queue is now updated hourly
<http://www.arrl.org/logbook-queue-status>, telling how many logs and
QSOs have been uploaded to the LoTW system and are awaiting processing.
New hardware that will improve LoTW's throughput is on order and is
expected to be running in six to eight weeks.

Rick Murphy, K1MU, and Dave Bernstein, AA6YQ, have been charged with
rebooting the Trusted QSL open source project. If you have demonstrably
strong C++ development skills that you're interested in applying toward
improving LoTW's usability and efficiency, please contact Bernstein via
e-mail aa6yq(at)ambersoft(dot)com.

We appreciate the user community's patience while we work to bring
LoTW's performance to an acceptable level.

==> + CATCH THE GEMINIDS AND CHAT WITH NASA'S METEOR EXPERTS

The annual Geminids meteor shower, scheduled to reach its peak on
December 13 and 14, is slated to be the most intense shower of the
entire year. This is also prime time for amateurs who enjoy bouncing
their VHF signals off the ionized trails of these space rocks as they
streak into our atmosphere. Known as meteor scatter, this communication
technique takes advantage of temporary radio pathways that can span
nearly 2000 miles. The week of December 10-16 is a good window for
Geminid watching, but the night of Thursday, December 13 is the
anticipated peak of the shower.

On Thursday, December 13 from 11 PM-3 AM EST (0400-0800 UTC December
14), meteor experts from NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center will be
available to answer questions via a late night web chat. NASA will also
provide a live Ustream feed of the Geminid shower via a camera mounted
at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama. Before
the camera activates, viewers will see either pre-recorded footage or a
blank box. The camera is light activated and will turn on at dusk. Read
more here
<http://www.arrl.org/news/catch-the-geminids-and-chat-with-nasa-meteor-expert
s>.

==> THE YASME FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2012 YASME EXCELLENCE AWARD
RECIPIENTS AND SUPPORTING GRANTS

The Yasme Excellence Awards <http://www.yasme.org/excellence.html> are given to individuals who through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to Amateur Radio. Their contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an engraved crystal globe.

The Yasme Foundation <http://www.yasme.org/> has recognized the following individuals "in order to inspire them and others on behalf of Amateur Radio now and in the future."

- George Fremin, K5TR; Tree Tyree, N6TR; Trey Garlough, N5KO, and Scott Neader, KA9FOX, for their contributions to many infrastructure projects that benefit the ham community at large.
- ARRL Education and Technology Program Director Mark Spencer, WA8SME, for his instrumental work in the ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology
<http://www.arrl.org/teachers-institute-on-wireless-technology> and other training efforts, development of PIC microcontroller projects and books for amateurs, as well as working with leaders in student and scientific teams in applying Amateur Radio to scientific projects and experiments.
- Champ Muangamphun, E21EIC, and Pornchai Semjang, HS2JFW, for leadership in Thailand's amateur community, especially during the recent flooding which helped open the door to the new Thai HF licensing and the enhanced stature of Amateur Radio with the Thai government.
- Former NCJ <http://www.arrl.org/ncj> Editor Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, and Tomas Hood, NW7US, for their sustained education of the amateur community regarding propagation, solar and geomagnetic physics.
- David Freese, W1HKJ, for creating and maintaining the freeware software package Fldigi <http://www.w1hkj.com/Fldigi.html>, probably the most widely used digital communication software in ham radio and a frequent gateway for new hams who are more familiar with computer-based communications.
- Former ARRL Assistant Technical Editor Dean Straw, N6BV, for his contributions to amateur antenna system design and the development of software tools, such as HFTA to optimize system design.
- Peter Martinez, G3PLX, and Pawel Jalocha, SP9VRC, for the development of PSK31 <http://www.arrl.org/psk31-has-rtty-s-replacement-arrived>, a widely used digital mode entirely invented by amateurs that is enabling many amateurs to successfully use HF with very modest stations.
- Arie Kleingeld, PA3A; Ad Van Ginneken, PA8AD, and Arie Noordzij, PA3AN, for their sustained contributions to the Mercy Ships Project <http://www.mercyships.org/>.

The Board of Directors also announces supporting grants to the following projects: WRTC 2014 <http://www.wrtc2014.org/>, the World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (WWROF <http://www.wwrof.org/>), Club Log <http://www.clublog.org/>, the NCDXF Beacon Project <http://www.ncdxf.org/>, Yasme scholarships (administered by the ARRL) and the Amateur Radio Association of Kosovo (SHARK).

The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to conduct scientific and educational projects related to Amateur Radio, including DXing and the introduction and promotion of Amateur Radio in developing countries.

==> ARRL INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award close December 31, 2012. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

As one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries. The ARRL International Humanitarian Award recognizes the Amateur Radio Service's unique role in international communication and the assistance amateurs regularly provide to people in need. Read more here <http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-invites-nominations-for-2012-international-humanitarian-award-1>.

==> SOLAR UPDATE

Tad Cook, K7RA, reports: The average daily sunspot numbers fell 13.5 points this week, from 61.1 to 47.6, while the average daily solar flux was about the same this week as last, rising 1.1 points to 102.7. The geomagnetic indices were even quieter this week than last week. The predicted solar flux is 110 on December 13, 115 on December 14, 120 on December 15-17, 115 on December 18, 110 on December 19-20, 115 on December 21-23, 110 on December 24-27, 100 on December 28-29, 95 on December 30-January 3, 100 on January 4-5, and rising to 105 on January 6-8. The predicted planetary A index is 8 on December 13, 5 on December 14-15, 10 on December 16-17, 5 on December 18-28, 8 on December 29, 5 on December 30-January 5, 7 on January 6-7, 5 on January 8-9, and rising again to 8 on January 10-11. Look for more on the ARRL website -- including reports from last weekend's ARRL 10 Meter Contest <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>, updated forecasts and a some minor revisions from both NASA and NOAA to the latest predictions for the peak of Solar Cycle 24 -- on Friday, December 14. For more information concerning radio propagation, visit the ARRL Technical Information Service Propagation page <http://www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals>.

==> + ARRL HEADQUARTERS TO CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS

ARRL Headquarters will be closed Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25, 2012 in observance of Christmas, and Tuesday, January 1, 2013 in observance of New Year's Day. There will be no W1AW bulletins or code practice transmissions <http://www.arrl.org/w1aw-operating-schedule> those days. There will be no ARRL Letter <http://www.arrl.org/arrlletter/> or ARRL Audio News

<http://www.arrl.org/arrl-audio-news> on Thursday, December 20 and 27, 2012 and January 3, 2013; both the Letter and Audio News will return on January 10, 2013. We wish everyone a safe and joyful holiday season and a prosperous 2013.

This Week in Radiosport

This week:

- December 14 -- NCCC Sprint; Russian 160 Meter Contest
- December 15 -- OK DX RTTY Contest; Feld Hall Sprint
- December 15-16 -- Croatian CW Contest
- December 16 -- ARRL Rookie Roundup (CW) <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>; QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint
- December 17 -- Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

Through January 11, 2013:

- December 21 -- NCCC Sprint; AGB Party-Contest
- December 22-January 1 -- Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party
- December 23 -- RAEM Contest
- December 26 -- SKCC Sprint; DARC Christmas Contest
- December 27 -- NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint
- December 28 -- NCCC Sprint
- December 29 -- RAC Winter Contest
- December 29-30 -- Stew Perry Topband Challenge
- January 1 -- ARRL Straight Key Night <http://www.arrl.org/straight-key-night>; SARTG New Year RTTY Contest; AGCW Happy New Year Contest
- January 4 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder
- January 5 -- PODXS 070 Club PSKFest
- January 5-6 -- ARRL RTTY Roundup <http://www.arrl.org/rtty-roundup>; EUCW 160 Meter Contest
- January 11 -- NCCC Sprint Ladder

All dates, unless otherwise stated, are UTC. See the ARRL Contest Branch page <http://www.arrl.org/contests>, the ARRL Contest Update <http://www.arrl.org/The-ARRL-Contest-Update> and the WA7BNM Contest Calendar <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/index.html> for more information. Looking for a Special Event station? Be sure to check out the ARRL Special Event Stations web page <http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations>.

==> UPCOMING ARRL SECTION, STATE AND DIVISION CONVENTIONS AND EVENTS

- January 6 -- ARRL New York/Long Island Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/new-york-city-long-island-section-convention-ham-radio-university-2013-1>,
Bethpage, New York
- January 18-19 -- ARRL North Texas Section Convention <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-texas-section-convention-cowtown-hamfest-1>,

Fort Worth, Texas
- January 19 -- ARRL Southern Florida Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southern-florida-section-convention-3>,
Fort Myers, Florida
- January 25-26 -- ARRL Mississippi State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/mississippi-state-convention-capital-city-hamfe
st>,
Jackson, Mississippi
- January 26-27 -- ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/puerto-rico-state-convention>, Hatillo,
Puerto Rico
- February 2 -- ARRL South Carolina State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-carolina-state-convention-2>, North
Charleston, South Carolina; ARRL Virginia State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/virginia-state-convention-frostfest-1>,
Richmond, Virginia
- February 8-10 -- ARRL Southeastern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/southeastern-division-convention-orlando-hamcat
ion-1>,
Orlando, Florida
- February 15-16 -- ARRL Arizona State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arizona-state-convention-yuma-hamfest-1>,
Yuma, Arizona
- February 16 -- ARRL Arkansas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/arkansas-state-convention-winterfest>,
Hoxie, Arkansas
- February 23 -- ARRL Vermont State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/vermont-state-convention-ham-con-3>,
South Burlington, Vermont
- March 8-9 -- ARRL Oklahoma Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/oklahoma-section-convention-green-country-hamfe
st-1>,
Claremore, Oklahoma; ARRL Louisiana Section Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-section-convention-acadiana-53rd-annu
al-hamfest>,
Rayne, Louisiana
- March 16 -- ARRL Nebraska State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/nebraska-state-convention-2>, Lincoln,
Nebraska; ARRL West Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/west-texas-section-convention-58th-annual-st-pa
trick-s-day-hamfest>,
Midland, Texas
- March 23 -- ARRL South Texas State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/south-texas-section-convention-greater-houston-
hamfest-3>,
Rosenberg, Texas
- March 29-30 -- ARRL Maine State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/maine-state-convention-3>, Lewiston,
Maine
- March 30 -- ARRL North Carolina State Convention

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/north-carolina-state-convention-raleigh-hamfest
-2>,
Raleigh, North Carolina
- April 13-14 -- Communications Academy
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/communications-academy-2013>, Seattle,
Washington
- April 19-20 -- Southeastern VHF Society Conference
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/svhfs-conference>, Cocoa Beach, Florida
- April 19-21 -- International DX Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/international-dx-convention-2>, Visalia,
California
- April 20 -- ARRL Louisiana State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/louisiana-state-convention-northeast-louisiana-
regional-ham-radiofest>,
Monroe, Louisiana
- April 26-28 -- ARRL Idaho State Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/idaho-state-convention-3>, Boise, Idaho
- May 31-June 2 -- ARRL Northwestern Division Convention
<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests/northwestern-division-convention-seapac-4>,
Seaside, Oregon

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Source record: 1214
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Another way to enjoy meteor showers: HAM radio - Boing Boing

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 02:30 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFV-FRBBa-t4YSM0bq_uVwtJog0Xg&url=http://boingboing.net/2012/12/13/another-way-to-enjoy-meteor-sh.html

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Another way to enjoy meteor showers: HAM radio
Boing Boing
In the comments on my post yesterday, reader Clayton Yarbrough mentioned that meteors have an effect on radio signals, and I wanted to follow up on that, because its a pretty cool phenomenon. Basically, meteors can allow you to send radio signals ...

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FCC Finds New Jersey Ham Violated Communication Act, Reduces Forfeiture ... - ARRL

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 09:58 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNERG7DBKhrJP3j6fRnwHTbvOe7SKQ&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-finds-new-jersey-ham-violated-communication-act-reduces-forfeiture-from-20-000-to-16-000

FCC Finds New Jersey Ham Violated Communication Act, Reduces Forfeiture ...
ARRL
Barbosas Amateur Radio license expired August 31, 2008, but his timely filed renewal application was listed as “Offlined for Enforcement Bureau Action” in the ULS. As such, Barbosa was legally allowed to operate while his case was undergoing the ...
FCC Upholds Fine for Unauthorized Ham OperationRadio World

all 2 news articles

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ARRL Files Petition for Rulemaking with FCC to Create New MF Band at 472 ... - ARRL

Posted: 10 Dec 2012 07:55 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNE2RlCgyx8rzJ7h27D3x12lBDY-AA&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-files-petition-for-rulemaking-with-fcc-to-create-new-mf-band-at-472-479-khz

ARRL Files Petition for Rulemaking with FCC to Create New MF Band at 472 ...
ARRL
At the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12), delegates approved Agenda Item 1.23: a 7-kilohertz-wide secondary allocation between 472-479 kHz for the Amateur Radio Service, with a power limit of 5 W EIRP (or 1 W EIRP, depending on ...

2548. NZART Headquarters Infoline issue 264

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-14 06:44:01 UTC
From: ZL1AMW <zl1amw@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <BC7C45D8BBFE4EA19304AA8D9CAC8D46@AlanLaptop>
Source record: 1215
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

NZART Headquarters Infoline Issue 264

14 December 2012

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM NZART HQ

NZART Website: www.nzart.org.nz

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Debby Says…well Christmas is almost upon us for another year and it has certainly been a busy one for me here at Headquarters.

The recent membership promotion has been a great success.

A total of 3176 letters were posted to all those who were not presently members of the Association, however there were a couple included whose call signs had changed, but I had neglected to update the NZART database, therefore they too received a letter by mistake.

I am pleased to advise that 236 amateurs have taken the opportunity to join with this special promotional offer. Of those, 115 are newcomers to the Association, with 121 re-joining after a lapsed period.

We must all now strive to retain these members next year when subscription levies return to the normal fee, however I am sure you will continue to encourage their much valued membership.

The special prize draw was conducted under the supervision of the Vice President Stuart Watchman ZL2TW. The winner of the VHF handheld was Tim Hogan ZL2BI, who was contacted by his local NZART Councillor JohnZL2HD, to congratulate him on his good fortune. Tim was very pleased to be getting back into amateur radio after more than 10 years away from it. His wife's comment was "I think I've lost my husband to ham radio again!", but she was assured that she could join in as well! Tim was also presented with a complimentary membership of Branch 74 to go with

his new NZART membership and the handheld, and invited to attend the Branch's next meeting. Tim was an active HF contester and was an active branch member in the 1980s and 1990s.Congratulations on behalf of us all Tim.

Council elections nominations close on the 31st December, so please make sure you have your candidates forms to me by this date.

Remit submissions also close on this date, so if you haven't already considered these two very important aspects of your Association, you had better get in quick.

Finally, for all those Officers who think they can relax for the holidays, can you please make sure you have your annual reports prepared and forwarded to me by the 24th January.

NZART Headquarters will be closed from 31st December until 15th January.

That's all from me this year folks…enjoy your holidays and stay safe.

Debby ZL2DL

Amateur Access to 600 Metres

As members may be aware, the band 472 kHz to 479 kHz was allocated to the Amateur service for use on a secondary basis at the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC) held earlier this year.

We have now agreed the basis on which New Zealand Amateurs will be given access to this band with the Radio Spectrum Policy and Planning Group of the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment:

· Frequency range: 472 kHz to 479 kHz

· Type of allocation: Secondary (see definition below)

· Power Output: 25 W eirp

· Bandwidth restrictions: None (the previous 200 Hz limit is removed)

As a result of this new allocation, Amateurs will no longer have access to the previous temporary allocation at 505 – 515 kHz. The Ministry has, however, agreed that the temporary use in the band 505 kHz to 515 kHz will be permitted for one further year, until the end of 2013, to provide amateurs with an opportunity to retune and/or rebuild their equipment.

It is intended that the necessary alterations to the Amateur General User Licence will be made early in the New Year.

Definition of Secondary Allocation

For members who are unfamiliar with the concept of a secondary allocation, the following excerpt from the International Radio

Regulations may be of interest:

“Allocations are made on a primary or on a secondary basis.
Stations of a secondary service cannot cause harmful interference to
stations of primary services to which frequencies are already assigned
or to which frequencies may be assigned at a later date. Stations of a
secondary service cannot claim protection from harmful interference from
stations of a primary service to which frequencies are already assigned
or to which frequencies may be assigned at a later date.”

Don Wallace, ZL2TLL, NZART Administration Liaison Officer

Annual Conference Masterton 2013

NZART Annual Conference is to be held next year on Queen's Birthday
weekend in Masterton at the:

Copthorne Hotel and Resort Solway Park Wairarapa

Planning is well under way and you can check in on progress at the
special web site at www.nzartconference2013.co.nz.

Links to the venue and other sites plus the Conference registration
form is also available for download from the site. Be in quick for
accommodation as a flat rate applies for any of the rooms including
standard right through to the executive suites. See online for more
details.

See you there.

David Bray ZL2BA

Conference Chairman

VHF-UHF-SHF-EHF CONTEST NEWS

Field Day Contest Logs – December 1st & 2nd 2012

Many thanks to the teams who have already submitted their logs. Time is
running out for submitting logs. Please send any remaining logs by email
to: zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

The Next Contest

The next contest is the DX Weekend Contest, all bands 50 MHz and up, on
Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of February 2013. The operating
times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300 NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The contest after that is the Low Band Contest, all bands 50 MHz to 440
MHz, on Saturday the 6th and Sunday the 7th of April 2013. This is the
weekend after Easter. The operating times are: Saturday 1700 to 2300
NZST and Sunday 0700 to 1300 NZST.

The Contest Rules are available at:
www.vhf.org.nz/VHF-UHF-SHF-ContestRules

All contest logs should be sent, to arrive within two weeks, to:
zl2wa@clear.net.nz

with Contest Log in the subject line.

Or by post to:

Contest Manager

Wellington VHF Group

P.O. Box 12-259

Thorndon

Wellington

Please include your email address if you wish to receive the results as soon as they are available.

Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest

When: Saturday and Sunday February 23rd and 24th 2013.

Times: (NZDT): 1500 to 2400 Saturday then 0600 to 1500 Sunday

Home stations can also operate in the contest but are strongly encouraged to make a minimum of either 50 phone or 25 CW contacts on 80m and/or 40m and submit logs.

Why not combine the event with a club BBQ / Picnic?

Rules: For the latest version please see:
http://www.nzart.org.nz/activities/contest-rules/rules-jock-white-field-day/ Team leaders must be familiar with the rules as on the NZART web site.

Bands, Modes and Power

40 and/or 80 metres, PHONE (SSB) and/or CW, 100 watts maximum.

Stations using two transmitters may operate simultaneously on both bands, however only one transmitter may be operated any one band at any one time. Single transmitter stations may operate on one or both bands.

Sections

Categories:

• Single Operator – unassisted by any other person.

• CW only – single band or two bands

• Phone only – single band or two bands

• 80m only

• Single-transmitter station 40m and 80m

• QRP – 5 watts maximum (WM Hall Memorial Cup)

• Home stations

• Overseas stations in the South Pacific area

Branch Number

If you intend to operate with a branch number that is not that of your 'home' branch, please check the branch number section of the rules carefully. If you need any help or clarification please contact me at my e-mail address below.

I am looking forward to hearing you on, I will be active as part of the Marlborough, ZL2KS team.

Stuart Watchman

ZL2TW, manager.

clareandstuart@xtra.co.nz

"IARU Monitoring System Intruder Watch DK9KR retires and hands over to Peter Jost HB9CET
Resignation as a Vice Coordinator of IARU Monitoring System Intruder Watch and as Coordinator of DARC Bandwatch.

Dear fellow Intruder Busters of IARU Monitoring System Region 1.

Sometimes you have to say good bye to activities which you have liked doing for many years:
So I want to inform you that by 31. December 2012 I will resign from both jobs, the Vice Coordinator of IARU Monitoring System Region 1 and the Coordinator of DARC Bandwatch.

I have been a member of DARC Bandwatch for 45 years, and I am a founder member. For 26 years I have been the Coordinator of DARC Bandwatch. My long time job as a Coordinator of DARC Bandwatch was only possible because I had the big help of Wolf Hadel, DK2OM, my Vice Coordinator at DARC-MS, who has been supporting my work for 24 years.

In 2005 at the IARU Region 1 Conference in Davos Wolf Hadel was elected Coordinator of IARU MONITORING SYSTEM Intruder Watch, and I was elected his Vice Coordinator. His enormous dedication made it possible that now we have 24 Intruder Watches in Region 1.

In 2005 there were only 8. DARC Bandwatch is the most active of all Intruder Watches in Region 1. This was only possible by the enormous input of time by both of Wolf and myself. But I must admit that DARC Bandwatch is more or less a "Two-Men-Business". It consists of Wolf Hadel and myself.

We have about 5 (!) regular contributors. The other 38.000 members of DARC apparently do not hear any intruder on exclusive Amateur Radio frequencies or do not report intruders to the Monitoring System. They are taking part in contests instead or try to reach a new country for their QSL collection. This is not very much encouraging for both of us! We have allocated our jobs: Wolf has become a real specialist dealing with digital intruders.

Some years ago the Swiss producer Wavecom has sponsored to him the most sophisticated equipment to take fingerprints from digital signals. Almost every day he would ring up the German Telecoms authorities in Konstanz, our partner, to report an intruder or to ask them to pin point an intruder.

I have been concentrating on Broadcast Intruders and pirates in spoken voice as I speak several languages. When I hear a broadcast intruder in the range 7000 - 7200 kHz I would first inform the German telecoms authorities and IARU MONITORNG System. If there is no ham radio association in such a country (e.g. in Somaliland or Eritrea) I would send emails, faxes and written letters to the relevant embassy in Berlin, to the broadcaster itself and/or to its telecoms authority. In many cases
these actions were successful. The last success was the frequency change of Radio Bangladesh off 7105 kHz.

Also for 25 years in every second edition of CQDL, the pamphlet of DARC, I would write articles about the situation in our bands and invite fellow radio hams to participate in our system. No response from the Brotherhood of Radio Amateurs!

In 2003 prostate cancer was detected in my body. I had to undergo prostatectomy surgery, exposure to radiation therapy and treatments with hormones, new kinds of drugs and chemo therapeutic infusions. In January 2013 I will have to undergo more examinations to detect further growth of the bone metastases in my body and find out new treatment.

Right now I am feeling rather fine. The hair has grown again: When Hans, PB2T, awarded me the IARU Region 1 Medal this summer at Friedrichshafen Ham Radio Fair I had to wear a base cap because all my hair had gone.

In my situation I have thought over my huge commitment of time, some 2 - 4 hours every day during 26 years into the intruder watch monitoring. There are 38.000 members of DARC who are doing absolutely nothing for the defence of our bands, and I would place my alarm clock at 2.30 hours in the early morning to find out the program schedule of Radio Myanmar or Radio Sri Lanka in the 40- m-band... How crazy of me!

OM Peter Jost HB9CET is so kind to be my follower at IARU MONITORING SYSTEM Intruder Watch. Also he has very sophisticated equipment from Wavecom, and he is an experienced monitoring person and has very good contacts to the Swiss telecoms authorities "BAKOM" and also to the Swiss Military. So he really is the right man at the right place.

For DARC OM Wolf Hadel, DK2OM, will be responsible as a coordinator of DARC Bandwatch.
Thank you, dear Peter and Wolf!
I wish Peter and Wolf good luck, and above all, good health for their time consuming and difficult
task.
Thank you for all your good words and support of my work in the past. I greatly appreciate them.
Fraternally yours in the Amateur Radio hobby,
Ulrich Bihlmayer DJ9KR / DL0IW
Vice Coordinator of IARU MONITORING SYSTEM"

ZL9HR Update
The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia, ZL9HR team of ten Amateurs from around the world, arrived safely back on the New Zealand mainland on Tuesday 11th. December having completed operations on Campbell Island in the early hours of Sunday morning 9th. December (local time). On arrival back into New Zealand, the last of the log data was sent to the webmaster and the online log updated. The team of operators then set off back to their homes around the world with undoubtedly memories of a once-in-a-lifetime adventure.

Hi praise for the operation has been received by the pilots from Amateurs around the world and the question most often asked is “where will the HARAOA team go next?” - we'll all have
to wait a while before that question can be answered!

Putting on an expedition as big and as remote as this one costs a lot of money and it is not too late to make a small personal contribution to help with the costs if you wish to. This can be done at the website www.zl9hr.com.

The club log Online QSL Request System (OQRS) is active club log for those who wish to request their QSL cards electronically.

http://www.clublog.org/expeditions.php
Until the next one -
73 Ed, VK2JI, Publicity Officer for ZL9HR.

Housekeeping

1.. Break-In-Closing Date Reminder: Copy for the Sept/October issue of Break-In-closes on 10 January 2013.
2.. Copy for Break-In: Copy is welcome in most electronic formats but word.doc files are preferred. Photos and other graphics should be send as separate discrete files (*.jpg preferred); not as embedded pix in the body of the text. Please ensure that suitable descriptive captions/legends are included with your copy. All received copy will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
Thank you for your cooperation.
John Walker ZL3IB Editor.
3.. Break-In: Early receipt of copy is much appreciated
4.. Break-In-AREC Column: The close-of-copy date is the 5 Jan 2013 for

articles for publication in the AREC COLUMN OF BREAK-IN. Photos, if available, to be on a separate floppy or CD (with captions), posted DIRECTLY TO US. Use the Call Book address. All other material can go to e-mail:
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Next NZART Official Broadcast is on Sunday 24th February 2013. Next HQ-Infoline e-mailed on FRIDAY 18th January 2013. Closing date for this is Thursday 17th January 2013.

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2549. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1844 - December 14 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-14 10:00:13 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121214100003.6945133C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1216
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1844 - December 14 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1844 with a release date of December 14, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A high altitude balloon carrying an amateur radio APRS transponder flies from California to Morocco; D-Star tests coming to the High Frequency bands; two nations on opposite sides of the world gain access to 472 to 479 Kilohertz and more on the Department of Homeland Security sponsored emergency communications traing at the 2013 Dayton Hamvention. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1844 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY APRS BALLOON LAUNCHED IN CALIFORNIA LANDS IN MOROCCO

A group of high altitude balloon experimenters have achieved a milestone. This with confirmation that their K6RPT-12 APRS equipped high altitude balloon has successfully crossed the Atlantic and landed in Morocco. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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Amateur radio stations from the United Kingdom to the Azores had been listening for the transatlantic balloon signing K6RPT-12 on 144.390 MHz FM. This after it was lofted skyward from California at about 0126 UTC on Monday, December 3rd.

The balloon was launched by the California Near Space Project team with the intent of it crossing the Atlantic heading for the British Isles. When it left the USA it was traveling at over 185 an hour but was believed to have slowed down in its over-water trek to as little as 55 miles an hour. Knowing this, the payload was designed for over 60 hours of flight. It also included a heating system for its 144.390 MHz FM transmitter developed by Johnathan Corgan, AE6HO, to prevent it freezing during overnight flight. This was because the bitterly cold night temperatures at that altitude have caused the transmitters on several amateur radio balloons to fail.

After its journey across the Atlantic its APRS signals were first picked up by stations in Spain. It was last heard at 09:22:31 UTC on December 5th descending rapidly, indicating that the balloon had finally burst. Its last recorded position was 34°25.75' North and 3°58.96' West placing it in the Taza Provence of Morocco North-North East of Tazekka National Park.

It is believed there are less than 150 radio amateurs in Morocco and no known APRS stations. As such the balloon and its payload may never be recovered.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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It should be noted that the amateur radio APRS frequency is not standardized world-wide. The United States uses 144.390 MHz while the British Isles and Europe use 144.800 MHz. To see the See the K6RPT-12 APRS reported flight track please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/k6rpt-12 on the World-Wide-Web. (California Near Space Project, Southgate, others)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: HF D-STAR TESTS TO BE HELD SATURDAY AND SUNDAY UTC

D-Star is coming to a high frequency band near you. According to a post on the Illinois D-Star Reflector, by Kent Hufford, KQ4KK, D-Star High Frequency tests will be held Saturday at midnight UTC and Sunday at 1500 hours UTC. D-Star operation will last only 5 minutes on each band beginning on 6 meters and working down to 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 40 and finally 75 meters. The test will be compatible with Icom 9100 series transceivers and other D-Star equipped High Frequency transceivers. The posting did not mention specific frequencies to be used but asked those interested to monitor D-Star reflector 030C to coordinate. (KQ4KK, D-Star Reflector)

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RESTRUCTURING: NEW ZEALAND HAMS GET 472 to 479 KHZ LOW FREQUENCY BAND

Hams in New Zealand are getting access to the 472 kHz to 479 kHz band. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Neachen, ZL2BHF, has more:

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At the World Radiocommunication Conference held earlier this year the band from 472 kHz to 479 kHz was allocated to the Amateur service for use world wide on a secondary basis. Some nations almost immediately opened it to use by their ham radio communities and now it becomes our turn here, down under.

Its now has been agreed that New Zealand amateurs will be given access to this band following agreements made with the Radio Spectrum Policy

and Planning Group of the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment. And the rules they came up with are quite simple.

Like the rest of the world, the frequency range will be 472 kHz to 479 kHz on a secondary, non interfering basis with other spectrum users. Power output will be 25 watts effective radiated with no bandwidth restrictions.

As a result of this new allocation, New Zealand hams will loose access to the previous temporary low frequency allocation from 505 to 515 kHz. However the Ministry has agreed that the temporary use of the band by the nation's ham radio community will be permitted for another 12 months until the end of 2013. This is to provide amateurs with the opportunity to retune or rebuild their equipment to use the new band.

All in all not a bad way to end 2012 and begin the new year.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand.

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The rules creating the 472 kHz to 479 kHz low frequency band in New Zealand come are effective on December 20th. (NZART)

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RESTRUCTURING: NEW SPECTRUM FOR UK HAMS AT 474 KHZ AND 5 MHZ

Meantime over in the United Kingdom, holders of a UK Full class license will soon be able to apply for a Notice of Variation to their ham tickets This to use 472 to 479 KHz as well as three additional 5 MHz channels that will permit up to 6 kHz bandwidth emissions.

The new 472 to 479 KHz band is being created as a result of the World Radiocommunications conference held earlier this year. The added spectrum in the 5 Experimental Band is the outcome of negotiations between the spectrums primary user and telecommunications regulator Ofcom. The primary user was unable to agree to contiguous spectrum, however it has been agreed that three additional non-contiguous frequencies will be available.

Notices of Variation will be accepted after January 1st of 2013. Details on the application process will be published shortly. (GB2RS)

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RADIO POLITICS: IARU ACCEPTS TWO NEW MEMBERS

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan and the St Vincent and the Grenadines Amateur Radio Club are the two newest members of the International Amateur Radio Union.

The Radio Sport of Azerbaijan has some 50 members while the Grenadines Amateur Radio Club hosts 21. Both nations have relatively small ham

radio populations with the former representing all 50 of its ham radio population and the latter representing 21 of that nation's 134.

As of February, 2009, the International Amateur Radio Union was composed of 162 national member societies. The addition of The Radio Sport of Azerbaijan and the Grenadines Amateur Radio Club now brings that total to 164. (IARU, Southgate, others)

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RADIO LAW: CONFRONTATIONAL WORLD CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS BEING HELD DUBAI

A confrontational United Nations internet regulation treaty being discussed at a gathering in Dubai may impact on amateur radio operators. This, according to the telecommunications information website dot-nxt. Amateur Radio Newslines Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, explains:

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At the heart of the issue is the term operating agencies. Currently the international telecommunication regulations or I-T-R's apply only to recognized operating agencies. This really means the large telecommunications operators in each country such as ATT and Verizon here in the United States.

Some countries want that term changed to just the term agencies. This would mean the I-T-R's would become applicable to a vastly larger number of groups. So rather than just ATT, British Telecom or Italia Telecom and the like, the international treaty would then apply to entities such as Google, Facebook, Microsoft and eBay just to name a few. In reality, just about every Internet company, as well private network operators, leased-line operators, government agencies and even amateur radio operators would be included in this new definition.

But this idea is not sitting well with many developed nations. Opposed so far are the United States, Canada, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Poland and the pan-European C-E-P-T and the Inter American Telecommunications Commission which is better known by the acronym Citel. On the other side in favor of the change are the Arab States, African States, Brazil, India, Philippines and several others.

In the meantime hthe entire conference risks grinding to a halt until this issue can be decided.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the newsroom in Los Angeles.

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You can find out more about the situation on-line at tinyurl.com/wcit-meeting-2012 (Dot-Nxt, NewsGateInternational)

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BREAK 1

>From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W6GNS repeater serving Downey California.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: KANSAS HAM ISSUED $10000 NAL FOR ALLEGED OPERATION OF FM BROSDCAST STATION

A ham in Kansas has been issued a $10,000 Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture for allegedly operating an unlicensed FM broadcast station. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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The proposed $10,000 fine was issued on December 5th to Glen Rubash, licensee of Amateur Radio Station KC0GPV. This for what the FCC terms as his apparently willful and repeated violating of Section 301 of the Communications Act. This by operating an unlicensed radio transmitter on the frequency 88.3 MHz in Manhattan, Kansas.

By way of background, this past September 26th agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Kansas City Office T-hunted the source of an 88.3 MHz signal to a transmitting antenna mounted on a pole next to a residence in Manhattan, Kansas. The agents determined that the signals from the antenna exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the Commission's rules and therefore required a license. The Commission's records showed that no authorization was issued to anyone for operation of an FM broadcast station at or near this address.

On September 27th the agents from the Kansas City Office again used direction-finding techniques to confirm if the station was still operating on 88.3 MHz from the same location, and found that it was. The agents, accompanied by the property owner, inspected the unlicensed station's antenna and transmitter. The latter was located in a locked detached garage. The property owner stated that he allowed Rubash to use the garage to operate the station and that he thought the operation was legal because Rubash told him that he was a licensed radio operator.

Later that same day a person it identified as Glen Rubash spoke to an agent from the Kansas City Office via telephone. At that time the regulatory agency claims that Rubash confirmed that he was an Extra class amateur licensee assigned call sign KC0GPV. He also admitted that he purchased the radio transmitter and that the station had been on the air for two months. The person on the phone reportedly added that he would not voluntarily relinquish the transmitter if asked to do so.

Now the FCC has acted in the case by proposing the $10,000 fine. It concludes, based on the evidence before it, that Mr. Rubash apparently willfully and repeatedly violated Section 301 of the Act by operating radio transmission equipment without the required Commission authorization and as such is liable for the proposed $10,000 fine.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im, Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona

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As is customary, Rubash was given the customary 30 days to pay the proposed fine or to file an appeal. (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: UPDATED INFORMATION ON DHS EMERGENCY RESPONSE CLASS AH HAMVENTION 2013

The Department of Homeland Security's Office of Emergency Communications has announced that on January 14, 2013, it will begin accepting registration requests for the training class that it will be sponsoring next May at the 2013 Dayton Hamvention.

Students requesting to attend must meet all pre-requisites and provide electronic scanned images of certain documents at the time of registration. These include proof of completion of FEMA emergency incident instructional sessions IS-100.b, IS-200.b, IS-700.a and IS-800.b. They must also provide a copy of their General Class or above FCC amateur radio license. The DHS says that it is important that all listed documents be submitted at one time along with the registration request in order to be considered.

The session is limited to 50 students and the registration process will be closed when that number of qualified students is reached. But even if you are not among the 50 selected to attend the session there will be other training available. Word is that the instructors conducting the course will also be giving a forum at Hamventionr 2013 regarding the use of trained amateur radio operators as backup communicators in an emergency operations environment.

More information including the actual class and the e-mail address for pre-registration will soon be posted on-line at www.Hamvention.org. (Press release)

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RESCUE RADIO: AUSTRALIA ACMA FINDS STOLEN EMERGENCY BEACON

Australian Search and Rescue was recently alerted that an activated emergency position-indicating radio beacon, or EPIRB had been stolen from the city of South Melbourne. After narrowing down its initial search, Search and Rescue called in the expertise of a field inspector from the Australian Communications Authority or ACMA. Using a Yagi directional antenna, he eventually found the errant device hanging from

overhead power lines. It was safely retrieved for evidence by members of the Victoria Police. For those not aware, EPIRB's are automatic or manually activated search and rescue beacons linked to satellites when turned on. (VK3PC)

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HAM HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS: GETTING INTO THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT BY HAM RADIO

The Moose Jaw Canada Times Herald reports that kids in that city had a chance to tell their holiday gift requests to Santa up at the North Pole using amateur radio. Brenda MacKenzie, VE5TRG, and other members of the Moose Jaw Amateur Radio Club operated the ham radio links. You can read the complete story on-line at tinyurl.com/moose-jaw-holiday. (Via e-mail)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: NAMES IN THE NEWS OKLAHOMA STUDENTS HOLD RADIO TRIBUTE ON PEARL HARBOR DAY

Okalahoma's Lawton Constitution newspaper reports that students at the Eisenhower Middle School's amateur radio club recently commemorated the 71st anniversary of Pearl Harbor Day. The club held the tribute to honor all veterans, but especially the 2,402 Americans killed in the December 7, 1941 Japanese sneak attack on the United States base in Hawaii.

Clifton Harper, KE5YZB, is the teacher who sponsors the amateur radio club. He told the newspaper that students started contacting other amateur radio operators around the world at 8:30 a.m. and continued until 3:30 p.m. both local time. Three separate stations were in use including one in a trailer from the Lawton Amateur Radio Club operating as W5KS.

According to the newspaper, about 140 students took part in the event throughout the school day. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/lawton-pearl-harbor. (Lawton Constitution)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: WYONG MINI CONTEST UNIVERSITY OPEN FOR REGISTRATIONS

Registration to attend the free Mini Contest University at Australia's Wyong field day in February 2013 is now open. For details please visit tinyurl.com/contest-u-down-under on the World Wide Web. (VK2JI)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HANDIHAM MANAGER'S TECHNOLOGY AWARD TO KK4JZX.

Some names in the news. Jose Tamayo, KK4JZX, has been named to receive the 2012 Handiham Manager's Technology Award. This for his dedication to the Handiham Remote Base software update project.

According to the Handihams, Tamayo has done exemplary work to debug and update the existing W4MQ remote base client software. He has lead the beta testing team and is working to build accessibility into the newest version of this important remote control client. (WA0TDA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: BRITISH SINGER SARAH BRIGHTMAN TO BLAST OFF TO SPACE IN 2015

The Space Adventures Agency has confirmed that famed British soprano Sarah Brightman has signed an agreement with the Russian Space Agency and secured herself a space trip to the International Space Station for sometime in in 2015.

As previously reported here on Amateur Radio Newsline, about two months ago the singer was cleared to fly by the medical commission and set her schedule to begin gan her training at Russia's Cosmonaut Training Centre outside Moscow. More recently Brightman told a Russian newspaper she will also have to learn speak some Russian before her space trip to be able to communicate with the crew.

Brightman's eventual arrival on-orbit will denote a long period between visitors to the orbiting outpost. The last visitor was Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberte who traveled into space in 2009. (G0SFJ, others)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: CQ NEW PRODUCTS EDITOR JOHN WOOD, SR., WV5J -SK

The changing of the guard in amateur radio continues with the sad news that John Wood, Sr., WV5J, who served as CQ's New Products Editor since 2009, passed away on December 3 after a brief battle with cancer.

A lifelong journalist, Wood spent most of his career as a reporter and editor for newspapers in and around Memphis, Tennessee. He lived in the Memphis suburb of Germantown.

A contributor to CQ for several years on a variety of topics, John became editor of the "What's New" column as of the magazine's December, 2009, issue. He continued writing occasional feature articles as well. His most recent, "There's a 'Secret Service' in Memphis on the 222 Ham Band," appeared in the Fall 2012 issue of CQ VHF.

Wood is survived by his wife of 41 years, Marie, WA4WFX; his son, John, Jr., KI4VCK; his daughter, Christi, and two grandchildren. The family requests that contributions in John's memory be made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. At the time of his passing John Wood, Sr., WV5J, was only age 61. (CQ)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: HELICOPTER NEWS PIONEER JOHN SILVA -SK

The man who invented helicopter coverage for television, has died. John D. Silva was the chief engineer for Los Angeles television station KTLA when he convinced station executives to give him $40,000 to outfit a rented Bell helicopter with a TV camera for news coverage.

Silva then worked in secrecy with Hollywood special effects shops and engineers from the General Electric Corporation to find or invent technology small and light enough to fit on a helicopter. He and his small team broadcast their first air to ground signal on July 28, 1958 to Los Angeles viewers who would eventually come to equate a helicopter news coverage with a high-speed police pursuits and the like.

In an interview with Smithsonian Air & Space Magazine, Silva said he came up with the idea while on the freeway. He explained that he was driving on the Hollywood Freeway one morning and when the idea came to him.

Silva told Air & Space that he never thought about being a pioneer. Rather all that he ever wanted to do was get KTLA News there and get the picture before the competition got it.

The Los Angeles Times reported Silva died in Camarillo, California, of Pneumonia complications. He was age 92. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: HISTORIC BLETCHLEY PARK GB2BP QRT

A historic amateur radio station is going QRT for good. Over the weekend of December 15th and 16th, station GB2BP will be making its final transmissions from the famed Bletchley Park estate in the United Kingdom.

Bletchley Park has been the home of GB2BP as well as serving as the location of its sponsor the Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society for the past 18 years. But both are being forced to vacate the estate due to a change in its status to a museum. This will mean that it will have scheduled opening and closing times after which there will be no public access.

For those who are not aware of Bletchley Park's significance, during World War 2 it was the site of the United Kingdom's main message intercept center where ciphers and codes of several Axis countries were decrypted. The most important of these were the ciphers generated by the German Enigma and Lorenz machines. The work done there is generally

credited as one of the main reasons that the Allies won the war. While GB2BP may no longer be in full time residence on the Bletchley Park Estate it will re-appear occasionally as a special event station supporting public events at the new museum. (Southgate)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RUSSIAN HAM TO SPEND A YEAR IN SPACE:

Russian Cosmonaut Mikhail Kornienko, RN3BF, along with NASA Astronaut Scott Kelly have been chosen for a one-year long term assignment aboard the International Space Station. According to NASA, the mission will which will begin in 2015 will include collecting scientific data that will be important to the future of human exploration of our solar system. Also it should help researchers to understand better how the human body reacts and adapts to the harsh environment of space as NASA plans for missions around the Moon, to an asteroid and ultimately to Mars. (ARRL)

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RADIO IN SPACE: VOYAGER 1 REACHING INTERSTELLAR SPACE

Researchers say that NASA's long-lived Voyager 1 which is heading out of the solar system, has reached what they call the magnetic highway leading to interstellar space

Voyager 1 will be the first manmade object to leave the solar system. Scientists believe the probe is currently in an area of deep space where the magnetic field lines from the sun are intersecting with magnetic fields from interstellar space. They believe that this phenomenon is causing highly energetic particles from distant supernova explosions and other cosmic events to zoom inside the solar system, while less-energetic solar particles exit.

The Voyager 1 probe was launched 35 years ago to study the outer planets. It is currently some 11 billion miles from Earth. At that distance, it takes radio signals traveling at the speed of light 17 hours to reach Earth.

Voyager 2 which is traveling on a different path out of the solar system has experienced similar, though more gradual changes in its environment than Voyager 1. Scientists do not believe Voyager 2, which is about 9 billion miles from Earth, has yet reached the magnetic highway to interstellar space. (Space Update)

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ON THE AIR: N4D CELEBRATES ARRL PUERTO RICO STATE CONVENTION

On the air, the ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention operate special event station N4D from January 11th to the 25, 2013 to commemorate the first ever ARRL Convention to be held there. Frequency to listenout on are 14.250, 21.350 and 28.450 MHz on the High Frequency babds as wll as

locally on 147.550 MHz FM on 2 meters. More information on the convention and specialo event station N4D is on-line at www.arrlpr.org or by e-mail to wavilesjr (at) yahoo (dot) com. (ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention)

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In DX, DD0VR and DE3BWR will be active from Vietnam through January 4th as XV0VR. During their stay they also plan to operate from Cat Ba Island December 18th to the 20th and Phu Quoc Island from December 30th through January 2nd. QSL these operations via DD0VR.

JA7LU will be active from Phu Quoc Island, Vietnam January 12th to the 16 as XV4LU. He will be operational on 40 through 10 meters on SSB and RTTY. QSL direct only via home call,

KE4TG will be active as J38RF from Grenada between February 6th and March 8th. His primary interest is the Digital modes but he may operate some CW and SSB. QSL via his home callsign direct as listed at QRZ.com. His logs will be uploaded to Logbook of the World.

Lastly, several sources are reporting that a team of 10 operators will be active from Robinson Crusoe Island during mid-2013. It was also mentioned that this is the same group who activated D64K earlier this year. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

Above from various DX news sources,

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SPACE AND THINGS: A STRANGE USE FOR A CUBESAT And finally this week, while hams and researchers look at the now venerable cubesats as communications and scientific research space platforms, a company in Scotland has come up with its own idea. How about space burials? No, we are not kidding as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK.

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A Glasgow based company called Alba Space is planning to use cubesats for just that. Burials of human remains in space.

According to the FAQ on the Alba Space website, the company will take a portion of ones cremated ash and integrate it into its spacecraft called the AlbaCube. It will then launch it skyward using a commercial service provider who takes it from Earth into space.

Why choose Space Burial over other forms of end off life celebration? Alba Space says that space is a place were only very few and very fortunate people have had the chance to venture. The company says that it wants to help make space become a place that is accessible to the public and enable those who have an interest in it to fulfill their

life's ambition to do so. It notes that after passing on that 75% of people in the United Kingdom get cremated and you have to do something with the ashes, so why not a ride into space.

Will this be a burial option only for the rich and famous? Not according to Alba Space. It says that while it has not yet launched its pricing options it is aiming for it to be competitively priced with other funeral options. This so the average consumer can afford to take part.

And if you will excuse a pun or two, this could be another fascinating use for the final frontier or the most extreme of extreme DX.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Cheryl Lasek, K9BIK, in Zion, Illinois.

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Alba Space says that it's still not sure when its space burial service might begin. It says that it's currently at its market research phase and are trying to gauge the demand for different services such as sub-orbital, low earth orbit and beyond. More about Alba Space's plans is on line at www.albaorbital.com. (Southgate)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Jim Davis, W2JKD, in Vero Beach, Florida, saying 73 and we thank you for listening.

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2550. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 14 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-14 11:08:51 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93996db1c958104d0ce0e0d@google.com>
Source record: 1217
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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80th Anniversary of Practical Wireless Magazine - Last airing for GB80PW

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/FESmFhIDJew/last_airing_for_gb80pw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

GB80PW, the Special Event callsign marking the 80th anniversary of the
first publication of Practical Wireless Magazine in September 1932, will
have its last on-the-air session on Saturday December 22nd

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Wyong Mini-Contest-University

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YtH1svqXfdE/wyong_mini_contest_university.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

One aim of the 'MCU' is to help people understand what contesting is all
about. It's hoped that people who are sitting on the contest sidelines, not
knowing how to move forward can gain from attending this (free) event

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YACC - Yet Another APRS Client

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/zrbStujJoxY/yacc_yet_another_aprs_client.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This episode of HamRadioNow by Gary KN4AQ features a presentation on YACC
APRS software

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Vintage BBC TV report on NFD

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/U5keFH-NBVM/vintage_bbc_tv_report_on_nfd.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A short film shot by the BBC of the Crawley Amateur Radio Club National
Field Day (NFD) in 1963

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A slim key for pedestrian mobile CW video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aMNB0y03n9o/slim_key_for_pedestrian_mobile_cw.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Operating CW when pedestrian mobile can be tricky so Peter Parker VK3YE
devised this portable Morse key

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Barcode inventor dies

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZY5JnDqh5Lk/barcode_inventor_dies.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Norman Joseph Woodland who co-created the barcode using Morse code, has
died at his New Jersey home at the age of 91

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

2551. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 14 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-14 17:22:28 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a16a506cd8604d0d346d1@google.com>
Source record: 1218
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Humanitarian appeal

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 08:39 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372057-Humanitarian-appeal&goto=newpost

4k9w.jpg

A humanitarian appeal was launched for the support of well-known radio operator from Baku, Azerbaijan Vlad 4K9W by his friend and QSL-manager Axel Schernikau DL6KVA. The original text of this appeal is here:

http://4k9w.blogspot.co.uk/2012/12/vlad-needs-more-support-soon.html

The Romanian translation of the appeal and some additional informations about Vlad□s tremendous activity on the amateur radio bands in CW and digital modes are here:http://yo4px.blogspot.ro/2012/12/apel-umanitar-salut-tuturor-cu-ajutorul.html

Francisc, YO4PXhttp://yo4px.blogspot.ro

Attached Images

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End of year/world QRZ QSO party

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 04:57 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372004-End-of-year-world-QRZ-QSO-party&goto=newpost

This is the first winter we've had an actual solar cycle since QRZ began.
Anyone up for an "after world's end" net on 10/12/15/17 meters?

What are everyone's holiday plans?

Eric

2552. eHam.net News for Friday 14 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-14 23:29:04 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d044630fc0bd25304d0d86441@google.com>
Source record: 1219
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #50 de K7RA:

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 05:23 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29517

Average daily sunspot numbers fell 13.5 points this week from 61.1
to 47.6. Average daily solar flux was about the same this week as
last, rising 1.1 points to 102.7. Geomagnetic indices were even
quieter this week than last.

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Volunteers Provide Key Emergency Communications:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 04:11 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29514

Equipment allows emails to be sent using ham radios and battery-powered
computers: Ham radio operators in Powell River are a key part of the
region's emergency response system. Members of Powell River Amateur
Repeater Society and Powell River Amateur Radio Club volunteer to be part
of the emergency radio communication unit, which comes under the umbrella
of Powell River Regional Emergency Program (PRREP). A major disaster on the
West Coast would have the potential to knock out communications, including
telephone and Internet service. The unit would activate equipment kept in
an emergency communications trailer, which can be set up wherever an
Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) would be established. Both the Powell
River Regional District and City of Powell River have contributed funds for
equipment, as well as a grant from BC Gaming. The emergency radio
communications group, which has 10 regular members, is part of Emergency
Management BC (EMBC), said Russell Storry, emergency radio coordinator. "We
have identify cards and coverage through WorkSafeBC for a tasked event," he
explained. "We complement Emergency Social Services [ESS] and ground search
and rescue."

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NASA Mission to Eye Sun's Activity:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 04:10 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29513

GREENBELT, Md., Dec. 12 (UPI) -- U.S. scientists are preparing for a rocket
experiment they say will gather data on the sun and the eruptions and
ejections that can travel as far as Earth. NASA's Extreme Ultraviolet

Normal Incidence Spectrograph mission, scheduled for a Dec. 15 launch from White Sands, N.M., will gather a new snapshot of data every 1.2 seconds to track the way material of different temperatures flows through the sun's complex atmosphere, known as the corona.

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #51:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:04 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29512

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This Week in Radiosport:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:03 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29511

This Week in Radiosport:

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ARRL Files Petition for Rulemaking to Create New MF Band at 472-479 kHz:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:02 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29510

At the 2012 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-12), delegates approved a means of satisfying Agenda Item 1.23: a 7-kilohertz-wide secondary allocation between 472-479 kHz for the Amateur Radio Service, with a power limit of 5 W EIRP (or 1 W EIRP, depending on location).

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FCC Reduces New Jersey Ham's Forfeiture from $20,000 to $16,000:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:01 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29509

After unsuccessfully appealing to the FCC to cancel his $20,000 forfeiture, Joaquim Barbosa, N2KBJ, of Elizabeth, New Jersey must pay $16,000 for "willfully and repeatedly violating Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by operating a radio transmitting equipment on the frequency 296.550 MHz without Commission authorization."

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IARU Welcomes Two New Member Societies:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:01 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29508

Earlier this year, the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU)
notified its Member Societies that two new national Amateur Radio
organizations wished to join the IARU and would need to be voted in:
the Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan (FRSA) and the St Vincent
and Grenadines Amateur Radio Club (SVGARC). Ballots from all the Member
Societies that responded were counted on November 1 and adopted.

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Logbook of The World Web Page Now Features Daily and Hourly Status Updates:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:01 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29507

The ARRL has created a new informational page to issue daily status
updates and information of interest to the Logbook of The World (LoTW) user
community. These
updates will include planned downtime and changes that will impact LoTW
operations.

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Catch the Geminids and Chat with NASA's Meteor Experts:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:00 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29506

The annual Geminids meteor shower, scheduled to reach its peak on
December 13 and 14, is slated to be the most intense shower of the
entire year. This is also prime time for amateurs who enjoy bouncing
their VHF signals off the ionized trails of these space rocks as they
streak into our atmosphere. Known as meteor scatter, this communication
technique takes advantage of temporary radio pathways that can span
nearly 2000 miles. The week of December 10-16 is a good window for
Geminid watching, but the night of Thursday, December 13 is the
anticipated peak of the shower.

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The Yasme Foundation Announces 2012 YASME Excellence Award Recipients:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 03:00 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29505

The Yasme Excellence Awards are given to individuals who through their own
service, creativity,
effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to Amateur
Radio. Their contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating
or organizational achievement. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the
form of a cash grant and an engraved crystal globe.

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ARRL Invites Nominations for 2012 International Humanitarian Award:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 02:59 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29504

Nominations for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award close December 31, 2012. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster.

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ARNewsline Report 1844 -- Dec 14 2012:

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 04:12 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29503

The following is a Q-S-T. A high altitude balloon carrying an amateur radio APRS transponder flies from California to Morocco; D-Star tests coming to the High Frequency bands; two nations on opposite sides of the world gain access to 472 to 479 Kilohertz and more on the Department of Homeland Security sponsored emergency communications training at the 2013 Dayton Hamvention. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1844 coming your way right now.

2553. January 2013 QST - Digital Edition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 00:38:51 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121214203547.E631C27442C@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1220
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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<http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/arrl/qst_201301/>Dear ARRL Member,

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Have a Happy New Year!

73,

Steve Ford, WB8IMY
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Date: 2012-12-15 03:40:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba3fd8658a010504d0dbe8f4@google.com>
Source record: 1221
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 12 Dec 2012 11:05 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF-39ztDIEmuMI2kisD87JP5GLGWw&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/iota/2012/darc/december_13.htm

IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
QSL via NR6M. OC-151, YB9, Tenggara Timur Islands: Leo,YC9MLL, will be active from Maumere on Flores Island (Loc PI11ci) from Dec 15 until Jan 15 using a homebrew radio (50-100 Watt)in CW, SSB, PSK31, RTTY and SSTV on 40m/20m/15m/10m.

2555. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-069E - RAC Winter contest is just around the corner

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 05:13:50 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50CC06A1.7050203@rac.ca>
Source record: 1222
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-069E - RAC Winter contest is just around the corner
2012-12-14

Mark your calendar for December 29, 2012 from 0000 UTC 2359 UTC for this years RAC Winter Contest. Hams from all over the world are invited to participate. Please visit the RAC website for an application and full contest rules.

Remember that there are a number of multipliers and there are bonus points awarded for contacts with Official RAC Stations in each Section. Why not contact your Regional Director to be your Section's RAC call sign is being used.

Also at this time, I would like to wish one and all Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

73,

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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You are receiving this bulletin because you are subscribed to an electronic mailing list.
For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2556. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-070E - RAC Section Manager election results

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 05:21:17 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50CC0886.1040604@rac.ca>
Source record: 1223
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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RAC Bulletin 2012-070E - RAC Section Manager election results*
2012-12-14

Congratulations to Craig Seaboyer VE1DSS who was recently elected
Section Manager for the Maritimes for the balance of a two year term
that commenced March 1, 2012. He ran unopposed eliminating the need
for a balloted election. Congratulations Craig.

73,

Doug Mercer CEC VO1DTM/VO1DM
Chief Field Services Officer

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Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm
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2557. Crossposting Permitted to rec.radio.amateur.moderated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 07:00:03 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting-1-1355554802@panix.com>
Source record: 1224
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/moderated/crossposting
Revision: 1.2 2011/11/02 04:08:53
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rram/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

After a 30-day public discussion and feedback period to gauge reader
opinions in March of 2009:

http://groups.google.com/group/rec.radio.amateur.moderated/browse_thread/thread/d7d337db35
f23326

the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team had decided to consider |
amending its charter, and permit limited simultaneous crossposting to
rec.radio.amateur.moderated and one other unmoderated
amateur-radio-related discussion newsgroup. After a successful trial |
period (90 days, through early July 2009), we decided to adopt this |
change permanently. |

Approved rec.radio.amateur.* newsgroups are those that are currently
listed in the latest version of the "List of Big Eight Newsgroups" which
is crossposted monthly to news.announce.newgroups, news.groups, and
news.lists.misc.

Approved alt.radio.amateur.* and alt.ham-radio.* newsgroups are those
that have been created consistent with the suggestions in "So You Want
to Create an Alt Newsgroup" at:

http://www.faqs.org/faqs/alt-creation-guide/

Approved regional hierarchy newsgroups are those that contain either
"radio.amateur" or "ham-radio" in their names, including
uk.radio.amateur and aus.radio.amateur.misc.

We will make every reasonable effort to keep our list of approved
newsgroups up-to-date. In case we have overlooked any, and a submission
is rejected in error as a result, the rejected submitter can E-mail us
at our administrative contact address (in the signature at the bottom of
this article, and the default Reply-To for the rejection message)
requesting that it be added, and that the article be approved. We may
still choose to reject articles crossposted to any alt.* newsgroup with
an inappropriate name, including obscene language, embedded
name-calling, or encouragement of unlawful conduct.
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Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-amateur-moderated-request@panix.com.

2558. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 15 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 11:52:49 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba61506cf5552c04d0e2c8ad@google.com>
Source record: 1225
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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FITSAT-1 Optical Beacon video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rvAFZltVpjE/fitsat1_optical_beacon_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Cloud over much of the UK prevented viewing of the FITSAT-1 optical beacon
on Thursday evening but a video of another test has been released

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RAC Winter contest is just around the corner

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/NaB9673ihBo/rac_winter_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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year's RAC Winter Contest. Hams from all over the world are invited to
participate

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Ray Briem N6FFT SK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tCmf65N42pc/ray_briem_n6fft_sk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Orange County Register reports that Ray Briem N6FFT, a ham radio
enthusiast and pioneer in Los Angeles talk radio, passed away on Dec. 11
aged 82

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Video - How Meteor Scatter Works

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tyOlzWw9RfA/how_meteor_scatter_works.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Jeff Kelly, a 7th grade student, interviews Al Tencza, NX2Q
on Meteor Scatter and how it works

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/D9pyIc4bdK4/050_december_15.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Average daily sunspot numbers fell 13.5 points this week from 61.1 to 47.6.
Average daily solar flux was about the same this week as last, rising 1.1
points to 102.7. Geomagnetic indices were even quieter this week than last

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

2559. SARL News in English 15/12/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 15:08:57 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <71E984D825414D32B30FDC6827C0A8F8@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1226
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS SUNDAY 16 December 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEYS

It is with regret that it must be announced that the keys of two radio amateurs became silent recently. They are:

Philip Conradie, ZS1CON, recently and Thys van Vollensteen, ZS6TVV, on the 11th December.

We extend our deepest sympathies to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

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IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SARL ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND BREAKS THE R20 000 MARK

TWO SARL EXPERT WORKGROUPS TO MEET SECOND WEEK JANUARY

CONFRONTATIONAL WORLD CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COULD AFFECT AMATEUR RADIO

SENIOR SCOUT ADVENTURE CELEBRATED WITH ZS9SSA

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND BREAKS THE R20 000 MARK

After only two weeks of the establishment of the SARL Antenna Defence Fund over R20 000 has been raised. Radio Amateurs and clubs have rallied to support the SARL's campaign to have building and zoning

regulations changed to enable radio amateurs to put up antenna structures under 15 metres without having to go through a lengthy process of applying for re-zoning and building approvals which are now required in most major centres of South Africa.

The target is to collect at least R50 000, this means that the campaign has thus far raised over 40% of the target. Thanks to radio amateurs and clubs who have made contributions to the fund. Full details on the campaign and a list of donors can be found on www.sarl.org.za, select Antenna Defence Fund from the left hand menu on the home page.

NOT A QUICK FIX

A campaign of this nature is a long process and requires the employment of various experts. The SARL under the leadership of the Legal Adviser, Johann Marais, ZS1JM, has already liaised with an attorney who is an expert in planning matters to develop the line SARL should take and what the approach should be. The holiday period is working against us as many professionals take their major leave this time of the year.

"We expect that the major thrust of the campaign will only take place after mid-January" said SARL President Rassie Erasmus. ZS1YT. "We will keep members informed through SARLNEWS, Newsletters and the web. If there was ever a time to join the SARL, the national body for amateur radio, then there is no better time than the present", he said. He thanked all who have contributed and said "I challenge all clubs and individual radio amateurs to make a contribution to the fund." The names of clubs who have to date contributed are listed on the ADF webpage.

TWO SARL EXPERT WORKGROUPS TO MEET SECOND WEEK JANUARY

The two SARL work groups, the Technology workgroup and the Regulatory work group will meet second week in January. The two groups are being formed to ensure that amateur radio remains in the forefront of SARL's focus.

The Technology workgroup will focus on new developments; interact with the various SABS technical committees to monitor the development of standards that may impact on amateur radio and keep the amateur radio community abreast of new developments. One of the immediate tasks will be to coordinate the proposed 5 MHz sharing and propagation research project.

The Regulatory workgroup will focus on various regulatory issues such as frequency allocations, environmental and zoning regulations and building standards as well as any other regulations that may impact on amateur radio.

After last week's announcement in SARL News, nominations have been received for the Regulatory Workgroup but no one has as yet come forward to join the technology workgroup.

Radio Amateurs with the expertise and/or interest in these or related fields and who are interested in joining one of the workgroups are invited to submit their names, background and contact details to the secretary of the SARL to secretary@sarl.org.za.

CONFRONTATIONAL WORLD CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COULD AFFECT AMATEUR RADIO

A confrontational United Nations internet regulation treaty being discussed at a gathering in Dubai may impact on amateur radio operators. At the heart of the issue is the term operating agencies. Currently the international telecommunication regulations apply only to recognized operating agencies. This really means the large telecommunications operators in each country such as Telkom in South Africa.

News Line's Bill Pasternak explains that some countries want that term changed to just the term agencies. This would mean the International Telecommunications Regulations would become applicable to a vastly larger number of groups. So rather than just ATT, British Telecom or Italia Telecom or Telkom, the international treaty would then apply to entities such as Google, Facebook, Microsoft and eBay just to name a few. In reality, just about every Internet company, as well private network operators, leased-line operators, government agencies and even amateur radio operators would be included in this new definition.

But this idea is not sitting well with many developed nations. Opposed so far are the United States, Canada, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Poland and the pan-European CEPT and the Inter American Telecommunications Commission which is better known by the acronym Citel. On the other side in favour of the change are the Arab States, African States, Brazil, India, Philippines and several others.

In the meantime the entire conference risks grinding to a halt until this issue can be decided.

SENIOR SCOUT ADVENTURE CELEBRATED WITH ZS9SSA

The Senior Scout Adventure is well under way from Matjiesrivier, Cedarberg and uses the callsign ZS9SSA. The station is active on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, and 6 m throughout the day until 21 December 2012. The base is hosting the scout patrols every evening at 17:00 and 20:00 CAT for around two hours. Amateur radio technologies are discussed and hands-on participation allows the scouts to work SSB, Morse and PSK digital modes from the base. All contacts will be confirmed with a special QSL card. The event is a collaboration between the Scouts and the SARL as part of a campaign to promote amateur radio to the youth. Various international scouts are participating in the events, and they are also now exposed to the brilliant world of technology and what South Africa has to offer.

ORDER YOUR BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS NOW

The SA Amateur Radio Development Trust has a large number of ARRL books in stock. Details are available on www.amateurradio.org.za. SARL members qualify for a discounted rate. On the web site there are two order forms. If you an SARL member, download the SARL Member order form and you will see the discounts available. Currently the two most popular books are the 2013 Hard cover ARRL Handbook and the Hard cover Antenna Book. If you are planning to write the Radio Amateur Radio Examination in May next year, the ARRL Basic Radio is the ideal book to assist in your studies.

SARL OFFICE CLOSED

The SARL Office is closed for the Christmas and New Year period and will re-open on 7 January 2012. For any urgent matters only send an email to secretary@sarl.org.za. Please hold over any general administrative matters such as address change over till the office reopens in January.

CLUB AFFILIATION

The Zululand Amateur Radio Club and the Port Elizabeth Amateur Radio Society have also affiliated to the SARL. This brings the number of clubs affiliated to the SARL to 33. For a list af affiliated clubs, visit www.sarl.org.za/public/ClubTalk/default.asp.

NEW MEMBERS

The SARL welcomes the following persons as new members and wish them a long and fruitful association with the South African Radio League:
Andr&#65533; Shaw, ZS1AN Ivan Rossi ZSL1054 Johan Latsky ZSL1055

COMPETITION NEWS

Results of the PEARS HF DX CONTEST held 11th November 2012 for which only 4 logs were received:

General stations

1st ZS2DX 1 300 points 2nd ZS6PAM 527 points 3rd ZS2EC 108 points

Field Station

1st ZS2U 140 points

Overall winners 1st ZS2XD 2nd ZS6PAM

Congratulations to the winners in each category, your certificates will soon be forwarded to you.

Results of Digital Contest held on the 2nd December. Six logs were received.

1st - Noel Hammond, ZR6DX - 213 points 2nd - Dirk Els, - ZS6AKU - 147 points 3rd - Marius Snyman, ZR6MS -126 points

The combined results after the three digital contests are as follows:-

1st - Pierre van Deventer ZS6A - 890 points 2nd - Marius Snyman ZR6MS - 879 points 3rd - Brendon Muller ZS4BM - 522 points

Congratulations to Noel and Pierre.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at very low levels. All four visible sunspot regions are stable.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 63.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequent 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 21 December - Last day to contact Senior Scout Adventure station ZS9SSA. 31 January 2013 - Last day for submission of nominations for councilors for the next term and motions for the 2013 AGM.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 16:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2560. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 15 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 17:51:10 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04462c56cb727b04d0e7caaf@google.com>
Source record: 1227
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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UK DX BPSK63 Contest 12-13 January 2013

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 06:52 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372128-UK-DX-BPSK63-Contest-12-13-January-2013&goto=newpost

Dear Fellow Radio Amateurs,

The European PSK Club has the honour to invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the UK DX BPSK63 Contest 2013. The objective of the contest is to establish as many BPSK63 contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world and radio amateurs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland including all the British Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies. Everybody can work everybody for QSO and multiplier credit. Since this year this contest is handled completely by the European PSK Club. We would like to invite you to take part in the contest, the rules and other information can be found at www.eupsk.com website. Please check the rules as there are important changes. It is strictly BPSK63 contest now, no other modes are allowed. The maximum output power is 100 watts. DXDA is a multiplier list now, and the rules themselves have been changed substantially. Please mark your diaries. In 2013 the new-style contest starts at 12:00 UTC on Saturday 12th January, 2013 and ends at 11:59 UTC on Sunday 13th January, 2013. All the very best to all of you and see you in the UK DX BPSK63 Contest 2013!

73! de European PSK Club

UK DX BPSK63 Contest Committee: http://www.ukdx.srars.org/

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Attached Images

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(26.3 KB)

2561. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Saturday 15 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 19:05:47 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301d3e2423dc0b04d0e8d5a1@google.com>
Source record: 1228
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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FreeDV Ham Radio digital voice software

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 10:54 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1971:freedv-ham-radio-digital-voice-software&catid=34:amateur--ham-radio-software--websites&Itemid=100004

FreeDV is an application for Windows and Linux that allows any HF SSB
radio to be used for digital voice mode with a bandwidth of just 1.1 kHz

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GB2BP QRT

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 10:53 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1970:gb2bp-qrt&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

It is with a great sadness that during the weekend of the 15 and 16th
December 2012, GB2BP will be making its final appearance as the resident
Amateur Radio station from, what has been its home for the past 18 years,
Bletchley Park.

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Ofcom announces additional 5 MHz channels

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 10:52 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1969:ofcom-announces-additional-5-mhz-channels&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

From 1 January 2013, holders of a UK Full licence will be able to apply
for an NoV to use 472-479 KHz as well as additional 5 MHz channels that
will permit up to 6 kHz bandwidth emissions

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Update from Campbell Island DX

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 10:50 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1968:update-from-campbell-island-dx&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

Ed Durrant, VK2JI has been keeping us up to date with the DX'Pedition to
Campbell Island.

2562. eHam.net News for Saturday 15 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-15 23:27:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec50fe2dffbb6b004d0ec7e25@google.com>
Source record: 1229
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Another Way to Enjoy Meteor Showers: Ham Radio:

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 04:31 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29522

Tonight we should see the peak of this year's Geminid meteor shower. I wrote about the weird scientific mystery surrounding this particular meteor shower yesterday, and Miles O'Brien wrote a great feature on it for us today. In the comments on my post yesterday, reader Clayton Yarbrough mentioned that meteors have an effect on radio signals, and I wanted to follow up on that, because it's a pretty cool phenomenon. Basically, meteors can allow you to send radio signals farther than is normally possible. In the video above, you can watch 7th grader Jeffrey Kelly interview a ham radio operator who explains how this works. But first a little background. Radio waves travel through the air. You are, of course, aware of this. But there's also a limit to how far they can travel. Partly, this is because the radio waves move in what could be characterized as a straight line, but the planet Earth curves. To get around that bend in the horizon, ham operators frequently bounce their signals off a part of Earth's upper atmosphere, called the ionosphere. What makes the ionosphere special? It's ionized, meaning the particles it's made of are electrically charged. That should give you all the background you need to follow along with the video.

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Interest is Buzzing in Amateur Radio:

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 04:31 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29521

In the day in age where you can check email on your phone. You can look at people while you're talking to them. You can basically do anything but brush your teeth with my phone. You might think amateur radio would be a thing of the past. You'd be wrong. Interest is actually growing. "Right now the number of amateur radio licenses is at a 10-year high and it's growing rapidly. There's tremendous interest," said Kevin Grantham, from the Dallas Amateur Radio Club.

2563. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 15 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-16 03:23:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba21218998bc6704d0efc99e@google.com>
Source record: 1230
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Hard to attract young people to join amateur radio club - BorneoPost
Online ... - The Borneo Post

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 02:26 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF12K9PKI2vYIPv5v8fF-FscHnFqA&url=http://www.theborneopost.com/2012/12/16/hard-to-attract-young-people-to-join-amateur-radio-club/

Hard to attract young people to join amateur radio club – BorneoPost
Online ...
The Borneo Post
KOTA SAMARAHAN: With the introduction of advanced technological gadgets such as smart phone, it has become a challenge for Amateur Radio Club Sarawak to continue attracting young blood to join the club. Admitting that amateur radio was a dying ...
2 club members go gaga over radiosNew Straits Times

all 2 news articles

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Volunteer Connection: Amateur radio a key component of disaster preparedness - Journal Times

Posted: 23 Nov 2012 03:48 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF3LCZ0U30an22lh5tSG49_-v9VSw&url=http://www.journaltimes.com/lifestyles/senior_news/volunteer-connection-amateur-radio-a-key-component-of-disaster-preparedness/article_a592cdc0-31d3-11e2-aa9c-001a4bcf887a.html

Volunteer Connection: Amateur radio a key component of disaster preparedness
Journal Times
RSVP-Racine County offers more than a half dozen Disaster Preparedness Volunteer stations: including two complementary amateur (ham) organizations: the Racine County Amateur Radio Emergency Services and the Megacycle Club. Both organizations ...

2564. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 16 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-16 17:12:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93405b3f5f93604d0fb5e33@google.com>
Source record: 1231
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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110 Anniversary of Marconi W to E transmission

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 01:13 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372086-110-Anniversary-of-Marconi-W-to-E-transmission&goto=newpost

II1M, VO1 and GB2M are on air celebrating first reception of West to East transatatlantic transmission in 1902 this weekend. GREAT! Any other stations on air to commemorate it? All CW?

http://oz6gh.byethost33.com/glace_bay.htm is the best technical info I can find out about the historical event, and it says it was on 182 kHz. I wonder what time it happened etc.. Can anybody give a link to more detail?

Personally I do not believe the 1901 claim of reception of S's on Signal Hill on about 850 kHz in daylight but applaud Marconi's belief and perseverence.

Andrew

ex Marconi r/o and enjoyer of Patrick Moore's programmes

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Ham Nation 77: VOA, Quartzfest, SoftRock

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 09:37 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372062-Ham-Nation-77-VOA-Quartzfest-SoftRock&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 77: Cheryl's Ham Nation Anniversary, is available for download and viewing at http://twit.tv/hn

Bob Tours VOA, Gordon at Quartzfest, a working SoftRock receiver and more.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1844 December 14 2012

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 07:43 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372019-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1844--December-14-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1844 ☐ December 14 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1844 with a release date of December 14, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A high altitude balloon carrying an amateur radio APRS transponder flies from California to Morocco; D-Star tests coming to the High Frequency bands; two nations on opposite sides of the world gain access to 472 to 479 Kilohertz and more on the Department of Homeland Security sponsored emergency communications training at the 2013 Dayton Hamvention. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline□ report number 1844 coming your way right now.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY APRS BALLOON LAUNCHED IN CALIFORNIA LANDS IN MOROCCO

A group of high altitude balloon experimenters have achieved a milestone. This with confirmation that their K6RPT-12 APRS equipped high altitude balloon has successfully crossed the Atlantic and landed in Morocco. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

2565. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 16 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-16 19:05:08 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410751b537b04d0fcf1b6@google.com>
Source record: 1232
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Series Five Episode Twenty-Six - Raspberry Pi for Amateur Radio

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 04:00 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1976:series-five-episode-twenty-six-raspberry-pi-for-amateur-radio&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-epsiode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty-Six of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has
been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Martin reviews the
Raspberry Pi for Amateur Radio

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Issues with Northern Ireland Amateur Radio Exams

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 12:00 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1975:issues-with-northern-ireland-amateur-radio-exams&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Ofcom has backed a RCF decision to disallow an Amateur Radio Exam in
Northern Ireland.

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ACMA warning about non-compliant goods

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 11:59 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1974:acma-warning-about-non-compliant-goods&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The Australian Consumer and Media Authority is looking for devices that
pose a high a high risk to the orderly use of the radio spectrum and public
safety.

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VK5VF Adelaide beacons back on air

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 11:58 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1973:vk5vf-adelaide-beacons-back-on-air&catid=31:amateur--ham-radio-repeaters&Itemid=100003

In time for the VHF DX season, the 6m, 2m, and 70cm beacons have been
serviced and put back into operation at Mount Lofty near Adelaide,
Australia.

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Taiwan Radio Hams seek additional allocations

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 11:56 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1972:taiwan-radio-hams-seek-additional-allocations&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

Taiwan's IARU national society the CTARL, submitted a paper about amateur radio in the country to the recent IARU Region 3 conference.

2566. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1091

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-16 20:38:26 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <859429.93883.bm@smtp106.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1233
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1091
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1091

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1091
BID: $OPDX.1091
December 17, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 9th-December, through Sunday, 16th-December there were 218 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

7P, LESOTHO. Kiyo, JR1IZM, will be active as 7P8ZM from Maseru City as of December 15th until January 2013. Activity will be holiday style on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. He will probably

use an IC-7200 and Loop with ATU/AH-4. QSL via JO1CRA, direct or by the Bureau.

CARIBBEAN TOUR (Reminder/Update on Callsigns). Just a reminder that David, K3LP, will start activating the following Caribbean Islands this week during the month of December. Specifics of his activities are not known at this time, but it will be holiday style. His tentative schedule is as follows:
December 18-22nd - Callsign KP4/K3LP; San Juan, Puerto Rico
December 23rd - Callsign KP2/K3LP; St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands
December 24th - Callsign V44KAI (Joel's callsign and station from Basseterre, St. Kitts); Operator will be David/K3LP
December 25th - Callsign J73/K3LP; Roseau, Dominica
December 26th - Callsign J3/K3LP; St. George's, Grenada
December 28th - Callsign KP2/K3LP; Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands
December 29-31st - Callsign KP4/K3LP; San Juan, Puerto Rico

Look for possible updates and more details at: http://www.k3lp.com

DXCC NEWS (DXCC Year End Reminder & Publication Dates). The following DXCC reminders were announced on the ARRL's Awards Blog page at: http://www.arrl.org/awards-blog
This is a reminder that the deadline for the 2012 DXCC Annual and Honor Roll listing of December 31, 2012, is rapidly approaching. In order to appear in these listings your submission must be postmarked by December 31, 2012. The current publication schedule for these lists is as follows:

2012 DXCC Annual Listing: This listing is scheduled for publication in the 2012 DXCC Yearbook. The 2012 DXCC Yearbook is scheduled for publication, electronically, in August 2013 QST. DXCC no longer sends the free copy as was done in past years since it is available, digitally, in QST now. A limited supply of paper editions of the yearbook, starting with 2011, are available for 8.00 USDs each (Includes postage). To appear in this list you must:
•Present a submission postmarked by December 31, 2012, AND your total on an active award category MUST increase by, at least, one point, or,

•Be current on the DXCC Honor Roll by December 31, 2012. (See Honor Roll listing requirements below under 2012 DXCC Honor Roll List). If you do not present a submission in 2012, but you are current on an Honor Roll category (Mixed, Phone, CW, Digital), only the active Honor Roll category will appear in the Yearbook.

2012 DXCC Honor Roll List: This listing is scheduled for publication in August 2013 QST. (Applicants Honor Roll standing must be current as of December 31, 2012. At present, there are 340 current entities on The ARRL DXCC List. Entry level Honor Roll is 331 current entities. Deleted entities do not count towards this award level). (eg: If you dropped below 331 current in 2012, you must make a submission with a new country to bring you back on the Honor Roll by December 31, 2012).

EI13, IRELAND (Special Event). "The Gathering... an Irish party, on and off the airwaves." Throughout 2013, Irish families and clans will be coming together in thousands of events, both on the island and around the globe, to celebrate their history and heritage in a unique event called "The Gathering". Irish amateur radio stations, North and South, will be participating and all operators throughout the world, whether they have some green Irish blood or not, are invited to join in the celebrations. The special event callsign EI13CLAN will be active throughout the year and there will be a variety of awards and other activities, details of which will be posted on the IRTS Web site at: http://www.irts.ie/thegathering QSL via Bureau or direct to the QSL Manager EI6AL at the following address: Silver Howe Sydenham Mews, Corrig Avenue Dunlaoghaire, Co Dublin IRELAND.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Jean-Pierre, F6ITD, will once again be active as FG/F6ITD from Guadeloupe and two islands between February 1st and March 25th (2013). Activity will be on SSB and the Digital modes. He plans to visit the following two islands in the IOTA NA-102 group: Basse Terre Island (February 1-8th) and La Desirade Island (February 9th-March 25th). QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW. For more details, see: http://www.qrz.com/db/FGF6ITD

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. By the time you read this, Alex, RO5D, should be active as HI7/RO5D until December 25th. Activity will be on 20/15/10 meters and possibly 40 meters. QSL via RO5D.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-021. Members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society (EARS) will be active as A63HI from Hatab Island (Umm Al Hatab Island), U.A.E., between December 20-24th. Activity will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes with two stations on the air. QSL via IZ8CLM. Visit the EARS Web page at:
http://www.ears.ae
Facebook:
http://www.facebook.com/Emirates.Amateur.Radio.Society.A62ER
Twitter : http://twitter.com/EarsA62a

EU-030. Tom, DL7UZO, will be active as 5P9Z from Bornholm Island (DIA BO-001, WLOTA 2203) between May 25th and June 1st (2013). Activity will be focused on 160 meters and the Digital modes, as well as all bands on CW. QSL via DL7UZO, direct or by the DARC Bureau. A Web page is available at: http://www.5p9z.com

JD1, OGASAWARA. Harry, JG7PSJ, will once again be active as JD1BMH from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between December 30th and January 4th (2013). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to JD1BMH or direct to JG7PSJ. Visit his Web page for more details at: http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 17-23rd)....
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HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 16th)

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5C5W via EA5XX HF2012PLL via SQ8EP PJ4NX via M0URX
9Q6AL via DF9TA HI3/M0GDX via M0GDX R20BIS via RU9WZ
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM HT9H via TI4SU SU/DJ5IW via DJ5IW
C6ARU via N4UM J68UN via N7UN SX9S via SV9AUE
C6AVA via N6AWD LS1D via AC7DX SX1912K via SZ2RCP
E51E via EB7DX LY12XMAS via LY2QT UN7AB via DL8KAC
ED4RCP via EA4EGA OF9X via OF9X VP2VGG via K6CLS
ED4T via EA4CWN OH9SCL via OH9AB WX3MAS via W3OK
ED7D via EA7HEG OY3JE via M0URX YI1RZ via IK2DUW
EE7E via EA7RU PD12XMAS via PB5X Z6/S52DD via S52DD
EG5CTV via EA3RKR PD35JKS via PD1JKS ZF2MK via K9MK
EH5RE via EB5AQB PD35SSCS via PD2RKG ZW8T via PS8HF
GB4RN via G3LIK PJ2/PA0VDV via PA0VDV
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

QSL SPECIAL EVENT STATION II1M via IQ1GJ or by the Bureau. Activity
is by the members of the A.R.I. section of Chivasso (Turin) which will
be active until December 22nd. Operations are to celebrate the 110th
anniversary of the first transatlantic radio message, on December 15,
1902, between Glace Bay in Canada and Poldhu in Great Britain.

7Z7AB QSL STATUS. It has been reported that QSLs for 7Z7AB (AS-190)
have been received from the printer and mailings were expected to
start going out on December 10th.

5W0W QSL STATUS. QSL Manager Rex, NR6M, reports that he has received
the picture for the 5W0W on December 9th, and plans to do the final
edits on the card before sending it off to Gennady, UX5UO, for printing.

LOTW'S NOW HAS DAILY AND HOURLY STATUS UPDATES! The ARRL's Web page
reports: "The ARRL has created a new informational page to issue daily
status updates and information of interest to the Logbook of The World
(LoTW) user community <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-of-the-world>.
These updates will include planned downtime and changes that will
impact LoTW operations. In addition, LoTW's processing queue is now
updated hourly <http://www.arrl.org/logbook-queue-status>, telling how
many logs and QSOs have been uploaded to the LoTW system and are awaiting

processing. New hardware that will improve LoTW's throughput is on order and is expected to be running in six to eight weeks."

T6LG QSL STATUS. Gosho, LZ1ZF, the T6LG QSL Manager, informs OPDX:
"Last months, I noticed a long delay of direct mail to U.S.A. • 6 to 8 weeks, while the ones sent to Japan and other DX destinations outside Europe arrive within 6 to 8 days. Many U.S.A. hams complain that they didn't received direct T6LG QSL, but it doesn't depends on me.
For example: QSL sent to W3YX on 10th of October 2012 (according to the stamp on the envelope) is received on 3rd of December 2012 • you can check it by asking Scott, W3YX, at: w3yx@aol.com
Please be patient waiting for direct T6LG QSL cards • I always send immediately a direct QSL back. 73's de Gosho, LZ1ZF"

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5H1HS, C6AQQ, CO2JD, D3AA, DL4MCF, EL2A, EL2LF, EL2MF, GM5X, HB9BIN, HK3C, I6FLD, JA1NLX/VK4, JA7DOT, KL7RA, LP1H, LX0HQ, NH8S, PJ5DX, PT0S, RL9F, S51DX, VA2EW, VE2OJ, VE3CX, VE3JM, VE3KP, VP5T and YN2CC

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3V8BB, 3B9SP, 5T5BV, 7O6T, A31KJ, CT9/DG3FAW, D2QR, D64K, E77DX, EG5INT, EK6TA, EL2MF, LA/JH0CJH, NH8S, TT8TT, V21C, V63EPO, VK9XM, XX9THX, YN2CC, YV7/UA9YPS, Z60K and ZB2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SATELLITE ACTIVITY AND NEWS.....
* Omar, XE1AO, is now active as 6D0LM from Mexico (DK89df) until December 17th. The special callsign is to celebrate the 80th anniversary of "The Federacion Mexicana de Radioexperimentadores"(FMRE). QSL via XE1LM. Omar states he will use VO-52 and FO-29. His schedule for December 17th: VO-52 0158z and FO-29 0500z.

* Luci, 9A1Z, is looking to work North America stations on AO-7 Mode B on CW. If you are interested in working him, please send an E-mail to his QRZ.com address for a sked. He is in JN86.

S7, SEYCHELLES. By the time you read this, operators Tom/DL5NEN and XYL Claudia/DO5NEN will once again be active as S79NEN from Mahe (AF-024) and La Digue Islands (AF-024) until December 28th. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via DO5NEN. PLEASE NOTE: All donations will be transferred one by one to: http://www.unicef.org They state, "Please help us. DX for kids." There is a donate button on their QRZ.com page, as well as a ClubLog log search.

SPECIAL UK PREFIXES. It was announced in the RSGB magazine that all UK amateurs will be able to apply to use the special V prefix, such as GV, MV and 2V starting July 5th, 2012, until the end of the month of July. These special prefixes will use to celebrate 100th anniversary of the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB). Further details on this will be announced nearer to the time of the event.

T2, TUVALU (Update). Operators Rob/GM3YTS, Tom/GM4FDM, Gav/GM0GAV and Clive/GM3POI will be active as T2GM from Tuvalu between March 12-23rd

(2013). Activity will be focused on Europe. QSL via GM4FDM. The group now has a Web page available (but still under construction) at: http://t2gm.org

V2, ANTIGUA. Kei, KG2A/JJ1RJR will be active as V25A from Antigua (NA-100) between December 23-29th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, including the 30/17/12 meter bands, and using CW and SSB. QSL direct only with SASE to KG2A. PLEASE NOTE: Kei informs OPDX that his callsign V25A is a reissued callsign. QSL ONLY TO KG2A and not to W9NJB listed on QRZ.com.

V2, ANTIGUA. Tom, AA9A, will be active once again from Antigua between February 11-20th. However, he will be using a new callsign V24A instead of V25AA. Activity should be on 160-10 meters, also 60 meters if there is a demand for it, using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

VO2, CANADA (ZONE 2). David, VE3AAQ, will be active as VO2AAA from the "Hams of Western Labrador" VO2WL club station in Labrador City, Labrador, in CQ Zone 2 between March 7-10th (2013). Activity will also include the RSGB Commonwealth Contest [BERU] (March 9-10th). QSL via VE3AAQ.

VP9, BERMUDA. Masa, K1GI, will be active as K1GI/VP9 from Bermuda between December 29th and January 2nd (2013). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via JG2BRI, direct, ClugLog's OQRS or LoTW. No Bureau.

VP9, BERMUDA. Kurt, W6PH, will once again be active as VP9/W6PH for the 2013 ARRL DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry, and the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL direct to his home callsign W6PH.

XV, VIETNAM. Members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club will be active as XV2DLH from Mui Ne between February 15-26th (2013). Operators mentioned are Rudi/DK7PE, Juergen/DH6ICE, Juergen/DH0RAK, Bernhard/DK7TF and Zkrinko/ DK8ZZ. QSL via DK8ZZ. More details will be forthcoming.

ZL9, CAMPBELL ISLAND (Update). Ed, VK2JI, Publicity Officer for ZL9HR, reports [edited]: "The Hellenic Amateur Radio Association of Australia, ZL9HR team of ten Amateurs from around the world, arrived safely back on the New Zealand mainland on Tuesday, December 11th, having completed operations on Campbell Island in the early hours of Sunday morning December 9th (local time). On arrival back into New Zealand, the last of the log data was sent to the webmaster and the online log updated. The team of operators then set off back to their homes around the world with undoubtedly memories of a once-in-a-lifetime adventure.
High praise for the operation has been received by the pilots from Amateurs around the world and the question most often asked is 'where will the HARAOA team go next?' - we'll all have to wait a while before that question can be answered!
Putting on an expedition as big and as remote as this one costs a lot of money and it is not too late to make a small personal contribution to help with the costs if you wish to. This can be done at the website

<www.zl9hr.com>. Until the next one - 73 Ed, VK2JI, Publicity Officer
for ZL9HR."
From the log on their Web page, as of 1604z, December 8th, ZL9HR has
made a total of 42922 QSOs with 15487 Unique callsigns (26334/CW, 15279/
SSB, 1259/RTTY and 50/???). Breakdown by continent is: 263/AF, 0/AN,
5625/AS, 17194/EU, 16585/NA, 2121/OC and 1134/SA. Remember, QSL via EB7DX
direct, LoTW or use the OQRS for Bureau and direct requests. For more
information, visit their Web site at: http://www.campbell2012.com
ADDED NOTE: The ClubLog's "Online QSL Request System" (OQRS) is now
activated for those who wish to request their QSL cards electronically
at: http://www.clublog.org/expeditions.php

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** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new
FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the
following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced
mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send
mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�lp>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�bscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject�subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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2567. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 16th December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-16 21:00:08 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121216210003.AE00633C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1234
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 16th December 2012

Silent Key

It is with the sincerest regret that we inform you of the death on Friday last of John Riordan EI6IJ. You will all recall that John very generously donated a car and some equipment to the Society a number of years ago when he could no longer drive. He also donated some valuable equipment to the Cork Radio Club where he got his first introduction to amateur radio. His funeral took place last week in Buncrana. We extend our sincerest sympathy to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

Echo Ireland

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the next issue of Echo Ireland will not be published until early January. Deadline for inclusion is January 3rd. Your input would be greatly appreciated.

IRTS 80m Counties Contest 2013.

The date for the 2013 IRTS Winter 80m Counties Contest is Tuesday 1st January.

Check the rules at: www.irts.ie/cgi/showrules.cgi?80m Please notice Rule 4.4 and 4.5 and keep the portion of the band between 3.650 and 3.700 clear for non-contesters.

Also notice the change in Rule 10.1 which states Entries must be received by the Contest Manager not more than 14 days after the contest.

Small Beacon

We have just received news that a small beacon transmitting on 3574.5khz using 0.3watts. You can QSL using eQSL or direct .You can see diagrams and pictures as follows http://bit.ly/UHKPoO.

Coolmine Radio Rally

Coolmine rally will be held at the Coolmine Community School on Sunday 10th February 2013. Doors open at 8.30am for traders and for member of the public at 11.30am. Admission is 5.00. Usual traders will attend and there will be a bring and buy sale. Tea and refreshments available all day during the event. Unlimited free car parking available. To book a table for the rally please call the following: Tom, 01 8211043 or Tony, 087 2439997. Everyone welcome to this excellent annual event.

Opportunity for Young Ham Radio Operators

Amateur Radio Supplies in Haverhill, Massachusetts, USA have contacted us with news of a fantastic new program to support youth activity on the HF bands. They seek to help a few lucky young hams get on the HF bands and make some contacts! Do you know any deserving young hams? They will be giving away 3 complete HF stations per year in order to support activity on the ham bands. Full details can be found at the following link http://bit.ly/Pe9bWQ or by contacting Ger McNamara EI4GXB, IRTS Youth Coordinator.

Hurdy Gurdy Museum of Vintage Radio

The Hurdy Gurdy Museum now has a new website, following the following link http://bit.ly/QXkBTi.

DX News

Heli DD0VR will be QRV from Vietnam from 12 December until 4 January. He will use the callsign XV0VR from various locations during his stay including trips to Cat Ba Island (AS-132) from 18 - 20 December and Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) from 30 December - 2 January. QSLs go via his home call.

Sigi DF9FN will operate as H40FN from Temotu from 22 December - 7 January. Operation will be mainly on CW with some SSB. QSL manager is HA8DD.

Werner DC8QT will spend Christmas on the island of Mahe in the Seychelles. While there he will operate holiday-style as S79QT running 100w to a dipole. Relevant dates are 19 December - 7 January. QSL to his home call.

Finally - an unusual station. According to one of the three Mayan calendars the end of the world will occur on 21 December. To celebrate this once in a lifetime event a station signing N0D (November Zero Delta) or Now Zero Days will be active from 20 - 22 December. Obviously they are somewhat doubtful of being able to operate on the 22nd !!!!!!!! If the world survives QSLs will be available via KK5W. Have a look at the details on QRZ.COM

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2568. eHam.net News for Sunday 16 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-16 23:20:26 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404c11059c704d10082f1@google.com>
Source record: 1235
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Cuba to Spain on Amateur Radio Satellite FO-29:

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 04:26 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29524

Hector, CO6CBF reports on his successful transatlantic contact between Cuba and Spain using the amateur radio satellite FO-29. I am pleased to report that yesterday morning I had my first transatlantic contact on satellites. I worked EA4CYQ Juan Antonio in IM78cx. I had looked for intercontinental contacts before but it had been very hard for me. Now, running my new donated satellite gear I am able to work FO-29 until 0 degree in any direction. It was my third attempt and was successful! Cubans cannot operate on AO-7 mode B due to a 432MHz restriction in our country, so we have only a few chances on FO-29 every five months when the satellite is getting close to apogee. Juan Antonio and I had a two minutes window and we had enough time to interchange reports, grids and greetings.

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Solar Activity Remains Quiet for Now, But New Group of Sunspots Emerging:

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 04:23 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29523

Solar activity has been relatively low over the past two weeks with not much in the way of sunspot activity, but scientists at NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory are monitoring a new group of sunspots emerging over the sun's southeastern limb today. Over the next few days as this group of sunspots turns toward Earth, scientists will get a better idea on their potential for solar flares in the near future. A clearer view of their magnetic architecture will allow the folks at NASA to make better assessments. In the meantime, forecasters have increased the chance of an M-class eruption to 10% over the next day. This activity could increase significantly into next week.

2569. science fair radio kit 28-222 help needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 01:16:35 UTC
From: clare@snyder.on.ca
Message-ID: <8jssc8t1se95c33ev7hppba64gdv3uf6jb@4ax.com>
Source record: 1236

I have an old Radio Shack? Science Fair Radio kit model 28-222 -
without instructions.

I need to know where to connect the entenna coil wires, the
speaker/headphone jack, and the battery. I have found points with W,
R, and G that look like the place to connect the red, green, and white
coil wires, but cannot figure out where the black goes. The speaker
connections and battery connections are a complete mystery..
Anyone have the instructions floating around or one you could send
pictures of? It's been sitting here uncompleted for a LONG time.

2570. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 17 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 11:17:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f923d3c2de90b04d10a8805@google.com>
Source record: 1237
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Transatlantic high altitude balloon bursts

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bsByRJxRGmQ/transatlantic_high_altitude_balloon_bursts.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The transatlantic crossing attempt by an amateur radio balloon carrying an
18 MHz PSK beacon ended over the coast of Mississippi when the balloon burst

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tYfo4Tvidnw/dxcc_report_1712.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
9th-December, through Sunday, 16th-December there were 218 countries active

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Caribbean Tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P5YxpWbC37Y/caribbean_tour.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

David, K3LP, will start activating a number of Caribbean Islands this week
during the month of December

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Hard to attract young people to join amateur radio club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PUloM8Y9WSw/hard_to_attract_young_people_to_join_amateur_radio_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Amateur Radio Club Sarawak (ARCS) is having problems attracting members

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The Gathering - Irish amateur radio special event

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/cBOggUuvLc8/the_gathering_irish_amateur_radio_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Gathering... an Irish party, on and off the airwaves

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Potential interference sources identified

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OsCY4iX7_1k/potential_interference_sources_identified.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has a masthead and
distribution amplifier fact sheet, and a media article on electrically
powered fences - both which can cause interference

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HQkuDZ3K10s/december_17.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Nothing beats the radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/a3KF4up5u2g/nothing_beats_the_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The New Straits Times interviews Sim Hui Ping 9W8SIM about her experience
of amateur radio in Sarawak, Malaysia

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Going gaga over ham radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3i_Dm-dBw18/going_gaga_over_ham_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Hindu newspaper has released a short video of interviews with attendees
at Hamfest India 2012 in Chennai, India

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First contact between VK3UM and CT1DMK on 432.010 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/DzUz6z1qSDc/first_contact_between_vk3um_and_ct1dmk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

First contact between Doug MCArthur, VK3UM and Luis Cupido, CT1DMK via
Moonbounce Communications on 432.010 MHz, CW was recorded on December 6,
2012 near 01:30 UTC

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From fringes, hams now tune into mainstream

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AqL2o6cwey4/from_fringes_hams_now_tune_into_mainstream.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Hindu reports - Returning to Chennai after 10 years, Hamfest India – a celebratory congregation of hams across the country – finds the hobby thriving

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1920s Walkman / iPod

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yaTtFmAzDkc/1920s_walkman_ipod.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This vintage British Pathe newsreel shows the forerunner of the Sony Walkman / iPod

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ooSd2qreMEc/history_17_december.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2571. GB2RS NEWS Sunday 16th December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 13:00:21 UTC
From: Newsdesk@rsgb.org.uk
Message-ID: <20121217130004.EE60E33C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1238
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Attention GB2RS Newsreaders • not for reading out on the air.

You will see from the following script that there will be no GB2RS news on Sundays 23rd and 30th December.

Some news readers may, of course, wish to operate a news net on these days. If so, please ad-lib an

announcement as part of the first news story.

We thank all news readers for their dedication to the GB2RS News Service and wish you

a very Happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

Gordon L Adams, G3LEQ, GB2RS Manager

Elaine Richards, G4LFM, RadCom Editor

Giles Read, G1MFG, RadCom Technical Editor.

GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 16th December 2012 The news headlines:

* GB2RS News during the holiday season

* Bath Buildathon 2013

* Two new national societies join IARU

This is the last GB2RS broadcast of 2012. There will be no news readings on 23 or 30 December. But we will be back in the New Year, bringing you the all the latest amateur radio news. Transmissions re-start on Sunday 6 January. We would like to take this opportunity to send warm season's greetings to all our listeners and wish everyone a prosperous New Year. The RSGB HQ will close for the Christmas and New Year holiday at close of business on 21 December. It will re- open on 2 January. You will be pleased to know that the National Radio Centre at Bletchley Park will continue to be open on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays throughout December and January. We would like to thank those volunteers who continue to give their free time to keep the NRC open and on the air.

The 6th Bath Buildathon will take place on Saturday 12 January. The event will run from 9am to 5pm. Tea and coffee, supervision, tools and test equipment will be provided, but bring your own packed lunch. There is just one, or maybe two, places left for the main build, the 40m

Sudden Receiver kit from the G-QRP Club, and several places for the `absolute beginner' build, a medium wave receiver kit. Both are suitable for the Intermediate project assessment and the team will be running an Intermediate exam at the end of the day. The exam is open to anyone who has completed the practical assessments, or would finish them by doing the Buildathon. As a result of a generous donation, there are a few free places for young builders (under 18). Send an email nominating worthy youngsters to Steve Hartley via G0FUW@tiscali.co.uk. Steve can also supply booking forms for the Buildathon from the same email address.

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan and the St Vincent and the Grenadines Amateur Radio Club, with 50 and 21 members respectively, are the two newest members of the International Amateur Radio Union. The IARU now has 164 members.

Following the recent news from Ofcom concerning 5MHz changes, the Autumn/Winter edition of The 5MHz Newsletter is now available in Google Drive Docs at http://tinyurl.com/cu3s3hx. This edition also includes latest news on the WRC15 5MHz Agenda item preparations, a Short Coaxial Antenna design for the band from John Pegler, G3ENI and the 5MHz beacon spot this time features GB3RAL.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 17 December 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. The 2012 edition of the ITU Radio Regulations, which includes the results of WRC-12, is now available at www.itu.int/pub/R-REG-RR-2012/en. The electronic version is free of charge, at least until mid-2014 as per ITU Council 2012's decision. You have to pay for the paper or DVD versions.

The January 2013 RadCom includes an article on a folding Yagi antenna for 2m. Unfortunately, due to an editorial error, the dimensions shown in the article are incorrect. A corrected version will be put on the RadCom Plus website as soon as possible and the corrections will also appear in the February RadCom.

Each year on 18 April, radio amateurs around the world celebrate World Amateur Radio Day. On that day in 1925 the International Amateur Radio Union was founded. In 1913, the first recorded instance of amateur radio being used to provide communications in a natural disaster, during severe flooding in the Midwest of the United States. Accordingly, the theme of the event for 2013 is Amateur Radio: Entering Its Second Century of Disaster Communications. Activities on the occasion of World Amateur Radio Day 2013 can be a great opportunity to spread the word about what amateurs are doing in the field of disaster communications in the 21st Century.

Peter Martinez, G3PLX is among those to receive the Yasme Excellence Award, given to those who have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. Peter, along with Pawel Jalocha, SP9VRC, received the award for the development of PSK31, a widely used digital mode entirely invented by amateurs that is enabling many amateurs to successfully use

HF with very modest stations.

And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week

There are no more rallies taking place this year. The first rally of 2013 is the Red Rose Winter Rally on 13 January in the George H Carnell Leisure Centre.

Now for the news of special events

Ian, M0IAA will be operating GB1WH until 18 December. The station is on the air to raise awareness and funds for Wakefield hospital. Ian is hoping to work as many stations as possible. More details are on qrz.com.

Now for a special event station with a sense of humour. According to one of the three Mayan Calendars, the End of the World will occur on 21 December 2012. To celebrate this literally once in a lifetime event, Special Event Station N0D, Now Zero Days, will be activated for three days starting on 20 December. More information is available on the official N0D website, www.nowzerodays.com.

And now the DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources

DD0VR and DE3BWR will be active from Vietnam until 4 January as XV0VR. During their stay they also plan to operate from Cat Ba Island, IOTA reference AS-132, from 18 to 20 December and Phu Quoc Island, IOTA reference AS-12, from 30 December until 2 January. QSL these operations via DD0VR.

ZS6RI will be active from Lesotho for 20 weeks beginning on 17 December using the call 7P8RI. Operations will be on all HF bands using CW, SSB and the digital modes. QSL via details are at QRZ.com.

Ralph, H44RK will be active as 5W0KR from Apia, Samoa, IOTA reference OC-097, until 1 March. He will operate SSB and digital modes on the 10 to 20 metre bands. QSL via NR6M.

Norman, 5B4AIF will be active as E51E from Aitutaki, IOTA reference OC-083, South Cook Islands until 5 January. He will operate SSB and RTTY, and possibily some QRS CW, on the 6 to 160 metre bands. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 17 December 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Now the contest news

18 December sees the 1.3GHz UK Activity Contest takes place from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The Christmas Cumulatives take place between 26 and 29 December on the 6m to 70cm bands. To do well in this you'll need to be agile and alert, because to work as many as you can in two hours you need to keep hopping between the four bands. Running from 1400 to 1600UTC each day,

you can use all modes. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On 1 January the 144MHz UK Activity Contest takes place between 2000 and 2230UTC. Using all modes the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

The IRTS 80m Counties Contest takes place on New Year's Day, and it's held at a time of day when Ireland is eminently workable from Britain. It's an SSB-only or CW/SSB event with five sections and awards for the leading non-EI stations. Multipliers are all 32 Irish counties. Running from 1400 to 1700UTC the exchange is signal report and serial number.

The ARRL RTTY Roundup will be making the datamode portions of the HF bands busy on the weekend of 5 and 6 January. Activity is on all datamodes. In this event you can work everyone, but bear in mind that entrants are limited to operating no more than 24 of the 30 hours that run from 1800 to 2359UTC. There are low- and high-power categories for single- and multi-operator stations, but no single-band entries. Entrants are limited to a single transmitter, irrespective of section. Send a signal report and serial number. US stations will send a signal report and their 2-letter State code, while Canadian stations will send a signal report and their 3-letter Province code.

And now the solar factual data for the period from Friday the 7th to Thursday the 13th of December compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on Friday the 14th of December.

A rather quiet week all round considering the active side of the Sun was looking our way and solar maximum is approaching. On some days only two sunspot regions were visible but this increased to four towards the end of the period. Solar activity was very low on the 8th and the 11th with no C class solar flares taking place and low on the rest of the days when only one C class solar flare took place each day. Solar flux levels increased slightly from 97 units on the 7th to 117 by the 13th. The average was 106 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 13th was 119 units, that's one unit down on the previous week. X-ray flux levels averaged B1.7 units and varied little day to day. Geomagnetic activity was very low every day. The most disturbed days were the 9th and the 13th with an Ap index of only 3 units. The average was Ap 2 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds vary between 260 and 340 kilometres per second. Particle densities were low except for a sharp rise to 80 particles per cubic centimetre early on the 9th. Bz showed only slight variation every day.

And finally the solar forecast for the coming week. Two `active regions' still on the far side of the Sun which are producing solar flares are expected to rotate into view. Therefore, this week solar activity is expected to be at low levels, however, activity could increase to moderate levels on some days depending on how active these regions are once they are in view. Solar flux levels could increase to the 130's. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet but

could increase after midweek. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be around 24MHz for the south and 21MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be about 8MHz. The short but reliable winter sporadic-E season should take place during the Christmas and New Year period. This leads me on to thank all the organisations from where we receive solar data to produce these weekly reports and to wish them the best of Seasons Greetings. Also, the Propagation Studies Committee would like to wish all the staff at RSGB HQ, the GB2RS news readers and the listeners a peaceful Christmas and best DX for 2013. Finally, for those who would like to keep up to date with the latest solar events on a daily basis can do so by typing `spots and flares', as one word into your favourite search engine.

And that's all for this year from the propagation team.

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Next, the Local News:

Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies

can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses

and website links where known.

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS Wythall Radio Club continues its regular Sunday 2m club nets on 145.225MHz FM from 2000 except for 30 December.

th On Tuesday 18 there is a Morse class and a talk on the Wythall Christmas Contest, which begins at 2000 on Monday

th 24th December. There are Friday shack socials as usual, and a Christmas fox hunt on Friday 28 at 10am. New Year's Eve sees a curry night at the Monsoon. On New Year's Day there's a free 'n' easy evening in the shack, plus the 144MHZ UKAC Contest from 2000. Details from Chris, G0EYO, on 07710 412 819.

Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is holding its club net on 144.165MHz USB, vertical polarization on Monday 17 December. On Wednesday 19th there is the M3+M6 club net on GB3FR, and the HF Net is on Friday 21st on 3.748MHz. GB2RS has no details of any future events, but information will be available on the FELCC Information Line on 07554 362 020.

Lincoln Short-Wave Club is holding a committee meeting on Monday 17 December. On Tuesday 18th they are taking part in the 1.3GHz UKAC from the shack. Wednesday 19th sees a formal meeting and Christmas quiz at the BSA Club. The normal pattern of nets continues on Thursdays over the Christmas period, as do the Saturday surgeries at the shack. The next actual meeting is on Wednesday 2 January, with G5FZ on the air in

the shack and a natter night at the BSA Club. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788 356.

South Birmingham Radio Society is having a review of 2013 contests for 2013 on Monday 17 December. Tuesday 18th sees the regular coffee morning in the shack. On Friday 21st there is work in the shack, then the club is closed until the following Friday, 4 January, for shack and aerial work. Contact Mick Cleary, G7RRP, on 07595 696 359.

Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is holding its Christmas social evening on Tuesday 18 December. On Tuesday 1 January there's the New Year junk sale. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to radio@dadars.org.uk.

Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a Christmas drink at the Pied Bull on Tuesday 18 December. The next meeting is on Tuesday 8 January. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

Midland Amateur Radio Society is closed until Wednesday 9 January. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 07808 078 003.

South Notts Amateur Radio Club is having a coffee and mince pies evening on Wednesday 19 December. They are taking part in the 2m contest on Tuesday 1 January, then the next meeting is on Wednesday 9 January. Contact Robin, G4NDM, on 01159 372 9423

Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is having a mince pie and mulled wine social on Wednesday 19 December. On 2 January GX3ZME is on the air and there's a committee meeting. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas quiz on Friday 21 December. There's a review of the year on Friday 28 December, and the next meeting is on 11 January. Contact Chris, M0BQE on 01905 776 869.

Copyright © RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 17 December 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. Coventry Amateur Radio Society is holding a curry night on Sunday 23 December. Tuesday 1 January sees the 1st round G2FDC 2m DF Trophy from 10am. On Friday 4 January there's a talk on getting knotted by G1ORG. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777 363.

Aldridge & Barr Beacon Amateur Radio Club is closed on Monday 17 December. Contact Albert, G0KFS, on 01922 614 169.

Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is holding a Christmas buffet on Monday 17 December. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01242 699 595, daytime only please.

Worcester Radio Amateurs Association is running its Foundation course on Tuesday 18 December. Details from Rich Moles, M0UVA, via email to secretary@m0zoo.co.uk.

South Kesteven Amateur Radio Society runs its last club net of the year Wednesday 19 December on 145.525MHz from 2000. Contact Nigel, M0CVO, on 01476 402 550.

NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND There are still plenty of opportunities for clubs in Region 4 to take a turn operating the RSGB Centenary Special event station G100RSGB between 28 February and 25 March. Main details were published in the December and January RadCom. For more information, please contact RSGB Region 4 Regional Manager Harold Scrivens, G0UGE, via email to rm4@rsgb.org.uk, as soon as possible.

Now for advance notice that Star radio club is running Foundation and intermediate courses in January. Anyone wishing to participate should email Darren via starsradioclub@yahoo.co.uk or phone 07511 968 073.

Our club news listing for this broadcast covers the three weeks from today until Sunday 6 January. When clubs are closed over Christmas, the date of the next meeting is given, if known.

Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is on the air on Monday 17 December. The next meeting is on Monday 7 January. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 01914 770 036.

Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is holding its Christmas dinner on Monday 17 December at the Fairways, Birley. The next meeting is on Monday 7 January. More information from Peter Day, G3PHO, by email to sarc@g3pho.org.uk.

Workington and District Radio and IT Group is holding its Christmas dinner on Monday 17 December at the Fairways, Birley. The next meeting is on Monday 7 January. Details from Barry Easdon, G0RZI, on 01946 812 092.

Chester & District Radio Society is holding its Christmas social on Tuesday 18 December. The next meeting is on Tuesday 8 January. Contact Bruce Sutherland, M0CVP, on 01244 343 825.

Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a 'standards' evening on Tuesday 18 December. On Wednesday 2 January the club net is on 145.400MHz from 7.30pm. Details from Martin, M0GQB, on 01422 341 317.

Denby Dale Radio Club is holding its Christmas party on Wednesday 19 December at the Star Inn, Lockwood, from 8pm. Wednesday 2 January sees a club night. Details from Richard, M0RBG, on 07976 220 126.

Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is closed until Wednesday 9 January. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240 573.

Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is having a beer & stew evening on Wednesday 19 December, and is closed on 26 December. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553 401.

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Club is holding its Christmas party & quiz with prizes on Thursday 20 December, then discussing amateur New Year's Resolutions on Thursday 3 January. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 01619 693 999.

Bolton Wireless Club is closed on Monday 24 December. Contact boltonwireless@gmail.com.

Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the UKAC 144MHz Contest on Tuesday 1 January. Details from Paul, M0PKW, 07768 996370, m0pkw@otleyradio.org

Tynemouth Amateur Radio Club is looking at tips & tricks to improve your Morse on Friday 4 January. Contact Bob, M6KLO, by email to mail@g0nwm.com.

NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND On Tuesday 25 December Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club Christmas Day net on 145.2375mhz (Echolink & rf) at noon Brian Burns, MI0TGO, muarc.secretary@yahoo.co.uk

NEWS FOR SCOTLAND On Tuesday 18 December Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. Details from Norman, GM1CNH, on 07740 946 192.

On Friday 21 December Ayr Amateur Radio Group AARG Christmas Dinner. St Cuthbert Golf Club. Details from Tom Ferguson, GM1OST, on 01292 532 088.

NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA We start with some advance notices. Verulam ARC will be running a 5 week Foundation course on Saturday mornings in St Albans, commencing on 12 January. For more information, or to apply, contact Ralph, G1BSZ, on 01923 265 572.

Bedford and District Amateur Radio Club will be running a Foundation course on Saturdays 19 & 26 January. The closing date for applications is 10 January. For more information contact Henry, M0ZAE, via email to m0zae@yahoo.co.uk.

On Monday 17 December Braintree & District Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and on the 24th a 70cm net. For more information contact John, M5AJB, on 01787 460 947.

On Tuesday 18 December and 5 January Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720 815.

th On Tuesday 18 December Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has a net on GB3ER, on the 25 has a net on 1975kHz and 1 January has a net on GB3DA, all at 8:30pm. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 19 December Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is having informal pre-Christmas drinks. The club is closed on 26 December and 2 January. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

th On Wednesday 19 December and 2 January Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is closed. Then on the 24 there's

th an 80m Santa net and the 25 it's 2m net time. Finally, on 6 January there's the monthly breakfast meeting at the Goring caf&#65533; at 9am. Contact John, G8FMJ, on 01273 593 232.

On Thursday 20 December Horndean & District Amateur Radio Club is closed and there's a natter night and social evening on 3 January. Contact Stuart, G0FYX, on 02392 472 846.

Copyright &#65533; RSGB 2012. Not for public release before Monday 17 December 2012 except as a GB2RS broadcast. On Thursday 20 December Horsham Amateur Radio Club is holding a social at The Royal Oak, while Christmas Day sees a net on 3.722MHz at 10am. In January there are club talks on the 3rd with John Narborough on Renewable Energy and on the 4th on shack first aid and safety. Details are on the web at www.harc.org.uk.

On Thursday 20 December Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the Shack. Details for

th the meeting on the 27 have yet to be decided. Contact Tim Ward, 2E0TJW, on 07810 481182 for more information

On Friday 21 December Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society Christmas Quiz with mince pies and mulled wine, then the club is closed on 28 December and 4 January. Contact Rob, 2E0RJA, on 01444 232 129.

On Friday 28 December Farnborough & District Radio Society is holding its AGM. There is slow speed CW on 1.995MHz on the 2nd and a 2m net on the 4th. Details from Neville, G3SPD on 01252 404816.

On Monday 17 December Burnham Beeches Radio Club is having a video evening. Contact Dave, G4XDU, on 01628 625 720.

On Tuesday 18 December Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a mince pie night and a quiz by Max, Hugh and Alan, G0HIQ. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878 089.

On Thursday 20 December Colchester Radio Amateurs is having a Christmas social. More information from Kevan, 2E0WMG, on 07766 543 784.

On Thursday 20 December Cray Valley Radio Society will be meeting for the traditional last meeting of the year with a drink and some nibbles at a local pub to mark the season. Details from Malcolm Bryan, G8MCA, on 07906 433 965.

On Thursday 20 December Vange Amateur Radio Society is having a Christmas buffet. Contact Steve, G0KVZ, on 01268 552 606.

On Friday 21 December Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group will be enjoying their Christmas social. Details on the web at www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk.

On Tuesday 25 December Fort Purbrook Amateur Radio Club will hold a Christmas greetings net on 145.550MHz FM at 10am. All are welcome. Details from Neil Hoare, M0NEH, 02392 378 559.

On Wednesday 26 December Hastings Electronics and Radio Club is closed. Details from Gordon, on 01424 431 909.

On Friday 28 December Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 02085 021 645.

On Friday 28 December Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society is closed. Contact Andrew Maish, G4ADM, on 02083 353 434.

On Friday 4 January Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club kicks off the club construction project. Contact Bob, G3OOU, on 01737 552 170.

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NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST On 17 and 25 December Exeter Amateur Radio Society is holding a net on 3.675MHz. Then on 19 December there is a skittles night. Nets continue on 20 and 27 December and 3 January on 70.425MHz at 7pm, then on 1 January the net moves to 145.575MHz at 7.45pm. Contact Nick, 2E0NRJ, on 01363 775 756.

Riviera Amateur Radio Club is holding a net on 145.425MHz at 8pm on 19 and 26 December and 2 January. Contact Alan Wyatt, G2DXU, by email to rivieraarc@gmail.com.

On Wednesday 19 December Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club will have the Chairman's Quiz and social. The club is closed on 26 December and on the air on 2 January. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417 048.

On Thursday 20 December South Bristol Amateur Radio Club will send Christmas greetings from the club station, then New Year greetings on 27 December. Details from Andrew Jenner, G7KNA, on 07838 695 471.

On 20 December and 3 January Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is holding activity nights. The club is closed on 27 December. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is closed on Thursday 27 December. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317 750.

Poole Radio Society is holding activity nights on 21 and 28 December as well as 4 January. Details from Bill Coombes, G4ERV, by email to secretary@g4prs.org.uk.

Torbay Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night and 80m net on 21 and 28 December as well as 4 January. For more information contact Dave, G6FSP, by email to g6fsp@tars.org.uk.

On Wednesday 19 December Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night and holding a committee meeting. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 20 December Cornish Radio Amateur Club is holding its Christmas party. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844 939.

On Monday 31 December Bristol RSGB Group is on the air. Details from Robin, G3TKF, on 01225 420 442.

NEWS FOR WALES On Monday 17 December Dragon Amateur Radio Club is holding a Christmas social evening. More information from Stewart Rolfe, GW0ETF, on 07833 620 733.

On Tuesday 18 December Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is putting GE4YCT and GC4YCT on the air. Details from Lloyd, 2W0LLT, on 01239 711 297.

On Tuesday 18 December Wrexham Amateur Radio Society Club is having a natter night. Information from Frank Bailey, M1EYH, by email to cbailey20@btinternet.com.

On Thursday 27 December Aberystwyth & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club night on the air on 145.500MHz then 145.550MHz. Sunday 6 January sees the junk or pre-owned sale at Waunfawr Hall. Details from Ray, GW7AGG, on 01970 611 853.

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2572. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 16 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 13:37:02 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba61469a20655a04d103c603@google.com>
Source record: 1239
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Global amateur radio fest begins - Peninsula On-line

Posted: 16 Dec 2012 03:23 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGFvXuS-sCNIE4_oFwxARDHoeCjdQ&url=http://thepeninsulaqatar.com/qatar/218319-global-amateur-radio-fest-begins.html

Global amateur radio fest begins
Peninsula On-line
H E Abdullah bin Hamad Al Attiyah receiving a sword from Dr Ahmed Al Muhannadi, Vice-President of Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS), at Al Rayyan Theatre yesterday. Sabaan Misma Al Jassim, General Secretay, QARS, was also present. (Kammutty ...

2573. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 10 - 16 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 16:30:06 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121217163001.CE73433C52@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1240
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Dec 17 1124 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
10 - 16 December 2012

Solar activity was low. The largest flare of the period came from Region 1629 (N11, L=240, class/area=Dai/170 on 14 December), a C5/Sf 12/0727Z. Region 1630 (N19, L=253, class/area=Cai/90 on 11 December), also produced a C5 flare on 10/0558Z. The remainder of the period was dominated by infrequent, low-level C-class activity. No earth-directed coronal mass ejections were observed during the week.

A 10 MeV proton enhancement at geosynchronous orbit was observed on 14-15 December. 10 MeV particle flux was slightly elevated beginning around 14/0900Z. An eruption from the beyond the west limb, in the southern hemisphere, was visible in STEREO-A EUVI imagery beginning around 14/1200Z. 10 MeV flux began climbing more steeply around 14/2245Z, reaching a peak of 9.36 pfu at 15/0155Z, just below the S1 threshold of 10 pfu. Flux returned to normal levels over the course of the next two days.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels throughout the week.

Geomagnetic field activity quiet all week. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft ranged from around 270 km/s to the near 470 km/s while Bz was never less than -8 nT. A very weak shock was observed at the ACE spacecraft at 14/1852Z, and at GOES by 14/1946Z. Isolated unsettled to minor storm levels were subsequently observed at high latitudes mid-day on 15 and 16 December.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
17 December - 12 January 2013

Solar activity is expected to be low with a slight chance for moderate activity through the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background levels except during 19-21 December when a high speed stream is expected to bring the flux to high levels.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to begin the forecast period at unsettled levels with a slight chance for an active period on 17-18 December as a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream becomes geoeffective. The remainder of the forecast period is expected to be generally quiet barring any geoeffective coronal mass ejections.

2574. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Monday 17 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 17:25:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399c8b87229804d10faa8d@google.com>
Source record: 1241
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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AmateurLogic.TV 48: A Major Award

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 08:53 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372228-AmateurLogic-TV-48-A-Major-Award&goto=newpost

AmateurLogic.TV Episode 48 is now available for download.

George shows us how to setup an HF Radio Station. Tommy builds a Foxhunt beacon with the Arduino. Peter has a Raspberry Pi present for you. Emile talks about hi tech cheap stuff.

We give away the Complete HF Station featuring great gear from Icom, MFJ, Wireman & Heil Sound.

Santa Tracking, The end of the world and more

59:51 of holiday entertainment.

Download

View in web browser: YouTube

2575. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 17 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 17:50:05 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934045990143904d11002e3@google.com>
Source record: 1242
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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A71QND Qatar

Posted: 17 Dec 2012 07:02 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372380-A71QND-Qatar&goto=newpost

W8CI, K1ZZ, TI5KD, KB8OCP, DL1BDF, DB2OS, SP5XVY and XE1KK will be active
from Qatar 17 , 18 December 2012 as A71QND (Qatar National Day)

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...-national-day/

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Mont Blanc Expedition

Posted: 16 Dec 2012 02:25 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372311-Mont-Blanc-Expedition&goto=newpost

Hi,

hereby the link at our last HF expedition at almost 4.000mt over the sea.

Great experience!!! Clicking the link you can see a brief "trailer"...and
the friend of mine is saying that the whole video will be delivered when
the 400 contacts will be reached (now +300) :-) :-)

So I encourage to click our experience and...enjoy. Next spring we are
planning to climb on the Breitorn (aroud 4.500mt)...stay tuned & in touch!!

(equipment: Yaesu FT 857, automatic tuner SGC 237, antenna: 10mt vertical
with 20 thin copper radials, power: 17Ah AGM Battery)

Elio - Iz2rlj

link: http://vimeo.com/39717845

2576. eHam.net News for Monday 17 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-17 23:08:50 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93998e5af111d04d114751c@google.com>
Source record: 1243
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Hard to Attract Young People to Join Amateur Radio Club:

Posted: 16 Dec 2012 04:03 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29527

KOTA SAMARAHAN: With the introduction of advanced technological gadgets such as smart phone, it has become a challenge for Amateur Radio Club Sarawak to continue attracting young blood to join the club. Admitting that amateur radio was a 'dying hobby' nowadays, its advisor Alan Ming Addie said on Friday that sustainability was the biggest issue faced by the club, which was established 18 years ago. The club has about 200 members. "It is indeed an uphill battle for us to get more young people to join the club. Many young people have joined the club, but they become inactive after leaving school. We feel there is a need to revive the hobby," he said when met prior to the opening of the 7th Borneo Amateur Radio Festival at the old campus of Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (Unimas) here. He pointed out that they had been working closely with schools through activities such as Jota (Jamboree On The Air) for Scouts as well as participating in engineering related workshops in universities by setting up roadshows to introduce amateur radio as a hobby to youngsters.

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Amateurlogic Episode 48 Has Been Released:

Posted: 16 Dec 2012 03:46 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29526

Our Christmas episode is now ready for viewing. George shows us how to setup an HF Radio Station. Tommy builds a Foxhunt beacon with the Arduino. Peter has a Raspberry Pi present for you. Emile talks about hi tech cheap stuff.

2577. Re: FCC Daily Digest 12/12/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-18 04:24:03 UTC
From: Klystron <xxx@yyy.zzz>
Message-ID: <xxx-3554D1.23240317122012@nntp.aioe.org>
Source record: 1244

[This is being posted here because the moderators of
rec.radio.amateur.moderated will not approve it. They only approve
pro-code, pro-ARRL, pro-FCC posts.]

In article <sh2sc8l13m2ufh4ouri6pfff7g2lai5ial@4ax.com>,
Phil Kane <k2asp@arrl.net> wrote:

> Wrong on several counts.
>
> 1. The FCC is not part of the executive branch. It is an
> administrative regulatory agency, created by The Congress and
> responsible thereto. All of its powers are created by Congressional
> legislation.

I'll punt on that one for now. That would appear to place it in a
category with the Federal Reserve.

> 2. The FCC has "power" over anyone operating (a specific legal term in
> communications law) a radio transmitter, or manufacturing or marketing
> (another specific legal term in communications law) specific types of
> electronic equipment, whether they have a license or not. So sez the
> statutes, regulations, and case law.
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> Read some of the Forfeiture Orders against unlicensed operators
> claiming "I wasn't operating the unattended equipment" to get a
> feeling for what "operating" means in that sense.
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> 3. The FCC through its enforcement agents have "access to your home"
> by requesting access. If it is refused, there are legal remedies,
> including but not limited to administrative penalties which the FCC
> itself levies and if necessary the Federal courts enforce, and
> recourse to legal processes such as in rem equipment seizures, a
> Federal court order enforced by the US Marshal Service under the
> guidance of FCC personnel.

I won't litigate this with you, point by point. Suffice it to say
that what you have posted is mostly the self-serving posturing of the
FCC's internal legal staff. A well-funded, private sector plaintiff
employing a well-qualified law firm that has technical as well as
constitutional expertise would chop it up quickly and efficiently.

How often did you face an opposing counsel who could really afford to
put in the time and effort to win a case based on esoteric technical
issues that most lay juries could not follow. I was just looking at some
of the past "landmark" cases. Most of your victims in the more
theatrical cases were on shoestring budgets. The FCC has gained a

reputation as an effective "prosecutor" by carefully choosing weak and/or poor opponents. Were you involved in the Pacifica case? They can't afford to feed electricity to a transmitter, let alone put up a legal defense.

Some time back, the were some noises from the FCC to the effect that ownership of a garage door opener gave the FCC the right to warrantless entry into the owner's home, since it is a radio transmitter. When some private organizations and the media asked around Capitol Hill to see if anyone would support that claim, they were unable to find anyone in Congress who would. The issue has never been put to the test in court. You might want to verify that your old colleagues are still making that sort of bellicose claim. You have been retired for some time now.

> You are not a communications lawyer - don't try to play one.

I don't like your tone, Phil. You are no longer the legbreaker for a federal agency. Try to make the adjustment to private life.

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Klystron

2578. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Tuesday 18 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-18 07:29:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <485b397dd0f3579fbe04d11b764d@google.com>
Source record: 1245
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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2013 Yuma Hamfest & ARRL AZ State Convention

Posted: 17 Dec 2012 07:52 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372388-2013-Yuma-Hamfest-amp-ARRL-AZ-State-Convention&goto=newpost

2013 Yuma Hamfest

The 2013 Yuma Hamfest, site of the ARRL Arizona State Convention, is Friday and Saturday, February 15-16, 2013 at the Yuma County Fairgrounds in Yuma, Arizona. Now in our ninth year and one of the largest hamfests in the Southwestern Division, the Yuma Hamfest is one of the few multi-day convention-style hamfests held in Arizona. And the weather is usually sunny and in the mid-70s!

We feature commercial exhibitors and vendors, tailgating, on-site RV camping, free parking, seminars held in parallel tracks in two separate buildings, amateur license testing, DXCC card checking, an antenna clinic & transmitter hunt, our famous ☐Buzzard BBQ☐ dinner, grand prizes worth well over $10,000, great hourly door prizes, a hospitality area, the "Country Store" consignment sales area, and much more.

Admission is only $5, tailgating spots are $10 for the weekend, and we offer a food concession run by a professional chef. Our now-famous ☐Buzzard BBQ☐ dinner is only $10 and has sold out for the last three years. We are giving away a Samsung Note 10.1 tablet as an admission prize to someone just for attending. Mark the third weekend of February on your calendar and plan on attending the Yuma Hamfest.

Date: February 15-16, 2013

Place: Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E. 32nd Street, Yuma, AZ 85365, Yuma, Arizona

Website: http://www.yumahamfest.org/

Email: info@yumahamfest.org

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Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club, Arizona

Posted: 16 Dec 2012 01:11 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372299-Scottsdale-Amateur-Radio-Club-Arizona&goto=newpost

Visit our web site

When: March 09, 2013

http://scottsdalearc.org/?page_id=520

2579. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 18 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-18 11:09:58 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044784bd63e4c304d11e8942@google.com>
Source record: 1246
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Global amateur radio fest begins

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3hLUV04rj6s/global_amateur_radio_fest_begins.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS), are hosting the event for the first
time in the Middle East

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ILLW attracts more entries

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UzbBpEuYe1I/illw_attracts_more_entries.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The leading countries in the next International Lighthouse and Lightship
Weekend are Germany on 28 registrations, Australia with 27, followed by the
USA and England

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MoD to auction off radio spectrum

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v11DCj0UNrc/mod_to_auction_off_radio_spectrum.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The UK MoD intends to auction around 200 MHz of its spectrum usage rights

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N0D special event station celebrating the End of the World

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/AT2Lw6CqUSs/n0d.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

That's right, the end is finally near. According to one of the three Mayan
Calendars, the End of the World will occur this Friday, December 21, 2012.
To celebrate this literally once in a lifetime event, Special Event Station
N0D (Now Zero Days) will be activated for three days during and after (?)
the end of the world

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SAQ VLF Transmission Christmas Eve

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fQ5ns1jkL08/saq_vlf_transmission_christmas_eve.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There will be a transmission with the Alexanderson 200 kW alternator on VLF 17.2 kHz from Grimeton Radio/SAQ on Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24, 2012

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CCTV4 to air BS7H story

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/gJ3x9s7VlLA/cctv4_to_air_bs7h_story.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Two episodes of stories about DXpedition to Huangyan Is. (BS7H) by CCTV, China's Central Television, will be aired on CCTV4 international channel today

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More Radio Hams in Fairbanks

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZV-9o_6pggw/more_radio_hams_in_fairbanks.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amateur radio population in Fairbanks, Alaska is increasing thanks to the work of the Arctic Amateur Radio Club

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APRS iGate built using a Raspberry Pi

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Hsjg21USyK0/aprs_igate_built_using_a_raspberry_pi.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hack-A-Day reports that a Raspberry Pi computer board has been used to implement a ham radio APRS iGate

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Special amateur radio callsign AT1WPS, Hyderabad

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W7YzmSsn0ps/special_amateur_radio_callsign_at1wps_hyderabad.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The special amateur radio callsign AT1WPS will be activated during the First World Parliament on Spirituality being held at Hyderabad from December 17-21, 2012

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Dutch Military still insist on 915 MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yha1Rj5uArk/dutch_military_still_insist_on_915_mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

With almost 42 CEPT countries reporting 915-921 MHz is empty, or emptying, it is hoped the band will soon be made available for Short Range Devices (SRD)

2580. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 18 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-18 17:22:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0444ef371acbd204d123ab18@google.com>
Source record: 1247
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1842 November 30 2012

Posted: 29 Nov 2012 09:28 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?370232-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1842--November-30-2012&goto=newpost

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Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1842 ☐ November 30 2012

Attention bulletin stations. Please note that this is an extended
Amateur Radio Newsline report and contains three breaks. Thank you.

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1842 with a release date of
November 30, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. The FCC issues a rule making proposal aimed at implementing the 2007 World Radiocommunications Accords; the NTSB says it wants to end all kinds of distracted driving; South Africa☐s ham radio community is told it will have to re-apply for their licenses and the 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference is called a major success. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1842 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESTRUCTURING: FCC PROPOSES IMPLEMENTING 2007 WRC ACCORDS

The FCC has issued ET Docket 12-338 that if passed as written is pretty
good news for ham radio. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom with
the details:

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ET Docket 12-338 released on Tuesday, November 20th proposes modify the
rules governing a number of communications services for amateur radio which
falls under Part 97 of its rules, the proposed changes are quite positive.

Starting at the low end of the electromagnetic spectrum and working our
way up, Docket 12-338 proposes the creation of a permanent albeit shared
allocation from 135.7-137.8 kHz with a power output of 1 watt effective
radiated power to an isotropic radiator. To those who have never heard the
term isotropic radiator, this is a theoretical point source of

electromagnetic waves that emits the same intensity of radiation in all directions. Translated into everyday language it really means hams will only be able to transmit a few hundred milliwatts of power if that.

Now going up a few hundred kilohertz to the 160 mter band. That where Docket 12-338 proposes to change the Amateur Radio Service allocation to make 1800 through 2000 kHz a primary amateur service allocation.

By way of background, historically, the 1715 to 2000 kHz band was allocated exclusively to the Amateur Service. In 1953, the FCC removed the 1715 to 1800 kHz segment from the Amateur Radio Service and allocated the 1800 to 2000 kHz band to the Amateur Service on a shared basis with the Radionavigation Service. Then in 1983, the FCC allocated the 1800 to 1900 kHz band to the Amateur Service on an exclusive basis and the 1900 to 2000 kHz band to the Radiolocation Service on a primary basis and to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis.

Lastly, in the WRC-07 Table Clean-Up Order, the FCC combined the 10 to 10.45 GHz and 10.45 to 10.5 GHz bands in the Federal Table of Allocations. In doing so, the frequency band was inadvertently not changed to 10 to 10.5 GHz. To fix this the FCC will revise the text of three footnotes that pertain to this spectrum by adding the existing Amateur-Satellite Service allocation to the list of permitted non-federal services. It will also order that non-federal stations in the Radiolocation Service not cause harmful interference to the Amateur Service in the 10 to 10.5 GHz band.

As we said, its pretty good news for ham radio here in the USA.

From the studio in Los Angeles, Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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If approved as written, these changes will implement allocation decisions from the 2007 World Radiocommunication Conference that concern those portions of the radio frequency spectrum between 108 MHz and 20.2 GHz by making specific updates to the rules in this frequency range. You can download the full text of ET Docket 12-338 at as a Word document at tinyurl.com/proposed-wrc-changes (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: NTSB VS CEA ON DISTRACTED DRIVING AND DISTRACTED TRANSIT

The National Transportation Safety Board wants to eliminate all driver distraction and is broadening its focus on the use of portable electronic devices in all types of vehicles. The issue is part of the NTSB□s recently released □2013 Most Wanted List.□ Amateur Radio Newsline□s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, is here with the details:

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While acknowledging that distracted driving didn□t begin when people began making calls or texting in the car, the National Transportation Safety Board still says that portable electronic devices that do not

directly support the task at hand have no place in any vehicles. This includes automobiles planes, trains, and just about any other vessel you might be able to think of. As such it argues that states and regulators can set the proper tone by banning the nonessential use of such devices in all areas of transportation.

The NTSB says that young drivers are more likely to use portable electronic devices while behind the wheel and therefore are especially at risk. It urges that laws, education, and enforcement efforts should place special emphasis on curbing the use of portable electronic devices by these younger drivers.

The NTSB goes on to say that companies should develop and vigorously enforce policies to eliminate distractions. It also says that manufacturers can assist by developing technology that disables these devices when in reach of operators.

But the NTSB has some strong opposition from the Consumer Electronics Association or CEA. That organization says that while it applauds the effort, it also notes that the NTSB misses the mark on the use of portable electronics in vehicles. It says that calling for an abstinence only approach, the NTSB ignores established realities of human behavior. It also claims that in-vehicle technology when used correctly can make for vastly safer roadways.

The CEA says that rather than calling for broad regulations or outright bans, policymakers should encourage the use of the many innovative driver safety technologies coming on to the marketplace. The CEA notes that it has already forwarded the NTSB a list of third-party applications that promote safe use of portable technologies in the automobile.

How any of this might affect mobile or even hand held pedestrian portable operations in the future by ham radio operators and other users of two-way radio is at this time unknown. But the NTSB stand seems to be that any and all forms of distraction must be removed from the public□s hands while in transit. And that□s not likely to sit well with the public at large.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I□m Norm Seeley, KI7UP. In Scottsdale, Arizona.

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It should be noted that the National Transportation Safety Board is an independent body that has no authority to enact transportation policy, nor to force the federal government to make transportation policy changes. However it makes recommendations to governments, industry and the public and uses its □Most Wanted□ list as a way to highlight changes that it is advocating. (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: ALL RADIO SOUTH AFRICAN AMATEURS WILL HAVE TO REAPPLY FOR THEIR LICENSES

All South African radio amateurs are going to have to reapply for their licenses. This is according to the South African Radio League which says its liaison committee met with that nation□s telecommunications regulatory body Independent Communications Authority of South Africa.

At that meeting the national society learned that following an audit by the Auditor General, that the communications regulator has been instructed to implement regulation 15 of the nations Radio Frequency Spectrum Regulations. This is a law that stipulates that an amateur radio license can only be renewed for up to five years after which a new application has to be submitted. Because of this, all South Africa licensed radio amateurs will be required to re-apply for a license for the period of April 1st 2013 through March 31st 2018.

The South Africa Radio League says that the details as to how this will be accomplished are expected to be made public in the next few weeks. Until that time, South African hams should do nothing. As soon as information is made available the South Africa Radio League announce it via its news bulletin service system and make forms available on its website at www.sarl.org.za. (SARL, ICASA)

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BREAK 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including WMRP FM on 104.7 MHz serving FlintMichigan.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: GAREC 2012 DEEMED A MAJOR SUCCESS

The 8th Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference also known as GAREC 2012 was held recently in Port Dickson, Malaysia. We have an updated report on what transpired at that gathering from WIA Newsman Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

2581. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 18 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-18 17:23:22 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399697051fe404d123b55b@google.com>
Source record: 1248
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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110 Anniversary of Marconi W to E transmission

Posted: 14 Dec 2012 01:13 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372086-110-Anniversary-of-Marconi-W-to-E-transmission&goto=newpost

II1M, VO1 and GB2M are on air celebrating first reception of West to East transatatlantic transmission in 1902 this weekend. GREAT! Any other stations on air to commemorate it? All CW?

http://oz6gh.byethost33.com/glace_bay.htm is the best technical info I can find out about the historical event, and it says it was on 182 kHz. I wonder what time it happened etc.. Can anybody give a link to more detail?

Personally I do not believe the 1901 claim of reception of S's on Signal Hill on about 850 kHz in daylight but applaud Marconi's belief and perseverence.

Andrew

ex Marconi r/o and enjoyer of Patrick Moore's programmes

2582. eHam.net News for Tuesday 18 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-18 23:45:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d043c8014e6ca5f04d12918c8@google.com>
Source record: 1249
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Ham-In-A-Day Far Exceeds Expectations:

Posted: 17 Dec 2012 10:04 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29528

The "Ham in a Day" class hosted by the Warren County Department of Public Safety RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) at the Youngsville VFD this weekend was a huge success, according to Terry Carlson, Chief Telecommunicator for the Warren County 911 Center. The class was originally geared towards local Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts but developed into a statewide event with close to 120 participants. "Never in my wildest imagination did I think we would get that many people signed up in such a short amount of time," said Carlson. As testing began late afternoon on Saturday, more than 100 people had attended the class with an additional 15 people walking in to upgrade their licenses. "This is the largest event like this that I know of and definitely the largest Ham in a Day class to be held in Warren County," reported Carlson. In addition to the classes and the testing, participants took advantage of the chance to network with other amateur radio operators, enjoyed refreshments provided by the volunteers and support people, and had a chance to win over 80 door prizes at the lunchtime drawing.

2583. SUPER HOT VIDEOS AND ALL ACTRESSES KISSING PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-19 01:24:34 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <0487e14b-4d1b-4fcf-9e0f-66a2328b6f3d@pp8g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1250

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

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datawarehousing jobs
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2584. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 18 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-19 03:18:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e813e1c9c4c04d12c11fe@google.com>
Source record: 1001
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Planning sends ham radio tower on to council - Mount Shasta Herald

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 02:44 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHF8UPZPul1LlHQmN7s2Ukrlq6Etw&url=http://www.mtshastanews.com/article/20121128/NEWS/121129813

Planning sends ham radio tower on to council
Mount Shasta Herald
Commission Chairman Craig Porter asked why the requested amendment included windmills in addition to ham radio towers. "The staff is always trying to think outside the box," Alexander said. "Windmills are certainly becoming more popular source of ...

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Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology - Electronic Design (blog)

Posted: 28 Nov 2012 10:16 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFqUkaRzlqWOmwoHByZFLb-AOgHLA&url=http://electronicdesign.com/blog/secondary-emissions-4/analog-and-mixed-signal/ham-radio-robotics-luring-kids-technology-74714

Ham Radio vs Robotics for Luring Kids into Technology
Electronic Design (blog)
Brian told me that he had been a FIRST volunteer for years, that he was extremely positive about the program and that he had written an article for the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Website, “The Ham Radio Spirit Lives – in Robots?,”. Then he ...

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Sandy proved: When all else failed, amateur radio worked - Delco News Network

Posted: 02 Dec 2012 06:44 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGe0NIiqmAiLop2cm_kiVcJiewSig&url=http://www.delconewsnetwork.com/articles/2012/12/01/news_of_delaware_county/opinion/doc50b7c282050df833979353.txt

Sandy proved: When all else failed, amateur radio worked
Delco News Network
Knowing one of the characteristics of Amateur Radio where its signals know

no boundaries, a collection of Delaware County Amateur Radio operators were on standby. This local cooperative effort began by monitoring the shortwave, long distance ...

2585. The ARRL Contest Update for December 19, 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-19 06:43:18 UTC
From: ARRL Web site <memberlist@www.arrl.org>
Message-ID: <20121219042950.6A5F12695E@bmail.arrl.org>
Source record: 1002
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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The ARRL Contest Update

Published by the American Radio Relay League
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December 19, 2012

Editor: Ward Silver, N0AX <rate-sheet@arrl.org>

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NEW HF OPERATORS - THINGS TO DO

If you've never entered a 160 meter contest, you'll definitely want to
determine your grid square and give the Stew Perry contest a try. The
contest is scored by distance and power so even the little pistols can
do well. And before you step out for New Year's Eve, connect up a
straight key and pound a little brass on Straight Key Night or operate
in one of the several New Year's Day contests.

BULLETINS

A heartfelt year-end tip of the Contest Update cap to you and your
families as we close out 2012 and start a new calendar. May the year
2013 be a good one for us all!

The next edition of the Contest Update (Jan 2) will be somewhat
attenuated as your editor takes a bit of a break from wearing the
letters off yet another keyboard.

BUSTED QSOS

Jeff K8ND corrected my call sign error - Joerg, shown operating at PJ2T
is DF9LJ, not DL9FJ. Froeliche Weinachten, Joerg!

CONTEST SUMMARY
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Complete information for all contests follows the Conversation section

Dec 22-23

- Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party (Dec 21)
- RAEM Contest--CW
- SKCC Straight Key Sprint
- DARC XMAS Contest (Dec 26)

Dec 29-30

- NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint (Dec 27)
- Original QRP Contest--CW
- ARRL Straight Key Night (Jan 1)
- New Years Snowball Contest (Jan 1)
- SARTG New Year RTTY Contest (Jan 1)
- AGCW Happy New Year Contest--CW (Jan 1)

==> NEWS, PRESS RELEASES, AND GENERAL INTEREST

December 13 marked 100 years of Amateur Radio licensing, which began in 1912. Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, noted in the January 2012 QST editorial "It Seems to Us" that in the four months following the August 13, 1912 passage of the legislation, 1,185 amateur stations were licensed - just a small fraction of the number that were active at the time. We are well over 700,000 in the US now...for a quick tally of the current numbers check out AH0A's web site <http://www.ah0a.org/>.

The Reverse Beacon Network is good at showing where you can be heard but what about a tool for showing what you can hear from other places? Faros <http://www.dxatlas.com/Faros/> from Afreet Software (a.k.a. - Alex VE3NEA, creator of CW Skimmer and other software) checks reception of the NCDXF beacons <http://www.ncdxf.org/beacon/beaconschedule.html> from around the world and around the clock and on all the high bands. (Thanks, Chad WE9V)

Array Solutions <arraysolutions.com> has announced that both the 2500A (automatic tune) and 2500HF (manual tune) OM Power amplifiers were recently granted approval for sale in the USA by the FCC. (Thanks, Bob W5OV)

Does it seem like you are working a lot of dupes? It felt that way to Contest Log Analyzer <http://tinyurl.com/7xjxypc> author, Bob K0RC during the recent ARRL 160 Meter Contest. In response, he added a new worksheet to the analyzer that collects and displays the dupes in a log. "This year I had 978 entries in my log with 22 dupes, or about 2.2%. In 2011 there were 471 QSOs with 2 dupes (0.4%), and in 2010 there were 961 QSOs with 10 dupes (1.0%). So my logs do show the significant increase in dupes." Since there is no penalty for logging a duplicate contact in an electronic log, maybe the "dupe taboo" is being relaxed. If you do work a dupe - be sure to leave it in the log and help new contesters understand they should, too.

With the smartphone app becoming nearly ubiquitous, are there any Morse code training programs? Sure! Recommendations include Ham Morse, CWText, and Hot Paw. If anything on a smartphone is cool, then morsing must also be, correct? (Thanks, Julio AK4VL and Tom WB8WOR)

There are many Morse training programs such as the ARRL's training CD <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Your-Introduction-to-Morse-Code-audio-CDs/> that uses the Koch method of sending fast characters with lots of spacing or IK0YGJ's Zen and the Art of Radio Telegraphy <http://www.qsl.net/ik0ygj/enu/index.html>. Phil W0XI has a CW practice resource page <http://www.4sqrp.com/resource/w0xi/w0xi-100/most_common.html> and groups like SKCC <http://www.skccgroup.com/>, FISTS <http://www.fists.org/>, and CWops <http://www.cwops.org/>offer lots of information and help! (Thanks, Jay W5JAY and Terry WA0ITP)

Web Site of the Week - Who says engineers can't have a little fun with themselves? This EDN website <http://www.edn.com/design/diy/4376812/5-great-jokes-about-engineers?cid=EDNToday> collected quite a few of my favorite engineer jokes and a couple that I hadn't heard. Good for a holiday chuckle by you and your friends!

WORD TO THE WISE

The white noise that you hear on an empty frequency is the transmissions of all the hams who have gone before us. (Relayed by Sean N7OUW)

==> SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Two sets of photos <http://w9dxcc.com/photos.html> from 2012 W9DXCC by Ben K9IDQ have been added to the W9DXCC web site Photo Gallery. (Thanks, Randy K9OR)

There is a wealth of information in the webinars archived on the Potomac Valley Radio Club <http://www.pvrc.org/webinar/webinars.htm> and World Wide Radio Operators Foundation <http://www.wwrof.org/> websites. Watch for new webinars being announced and added!

==> RESULTS AND RECORDS

☐Single-Operator certificates for the 2011 ARRL 10 Meter Contest - all 1,078 of them - have finally been processed. The Multi-op certificates are being processed and will be followed by the 2012 RTTY Roundup certificates and plaques. (Thanks, ARRL Contest Branch Manager, Sean KX9X)

The results for the PreStew <http://www.kkn.net/stew> event from October are now posted. Many thanks to the 200+ people who sent in their log. (Thanks, Tree N6TR)

The CW OPEN results <http://cwops.org/cwo2012-final.html> are now online. Al AD6E reports, "Looks like the next CW OPEN will be Sept 7 beginning with the first session at 0000-0359Z. This change of times is aimed to increase participation in both Europe and Asia. As before, all

parts of the world will have two "good" sessions during the day/evening and one "bad" session in the middle of the night."

OPERATING TIP

This week's tips involve ways to be more effective when operating SO2R (Single-Op, Two Radios):

- Set the CW sidetone pitches to be a little different on the two radios. (Thanks, Glenn K6NA)
- Glue a small micro-switch to the keyboard, paralleled with the foot switch. It can also be configured as a SO2R receive focus switch for non-SSB contests. (Thanks, Kirk K4RO)
- To hear the sidetone from an external keyer, run a wire from the keyer speaker, through a resistor, and tee it into the headphone connector. (Thanks, Steve N2IC)

==> TECHNICAL TOPICS AND INFORMATION

Bill Wortman N6MW has reworked the GAMMA program provided as a supplement to the Antenna Book <http://www.arrl.org/antenna-book-reference> and that is useful to readers of the ARRL Handbook <http://www.arrl.org/arrl-handbook-reference> andLow-Band DXing by ON4UN <http://www.arrl.org/shop/ON4UN-s-Low-Band-DXing>, as well. The previous version of GAMMA failed to find solutions to the calculations when the when the combination of the desired feed line impedance exceeds the product of the raw antenna resistance and the gamma step-up value. Bill's new code fixes that problem and can be found on the Antenna Book and ARRL Handbook web pages as a compressed "zip" file. The ARRL extends its thanks to N6WM for his contribution, as well as to Greg Ordy W8WWV for making some tests of the code.

A terrific book on batteries, "Batteries in a Portable World <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Batteries-in-a-Portable-World/>" by Cadex CEO Isidor Buchmann, is in stock at the ARRL Store. Buchmann also started the popular Battery University <http://www.batteryuniversity.com/> website which has a wealth of information about the use and care of batteries.

Crank-up towers often squeak and squall when being lowered or raised and sometimes when flexing from the wind. Spencer K5GAK says he "solved that problem with some bicycle dry Teflon lube from one of the online bike shops. It goes on as a liquid and the solvent evaporates leaving a Teflon coating."

Sometimes relay contacts that handle received signals (such as transmit-receive relays) develop thin films of oxide or other material that present a high resistance to low voltage signals. (Higher voltages punch right through the film and clear the resistance.) Tom W8JI has published a contact cleaning procedure <http://www.w8ji.com/relay_cleaning_and_life.htm> that may help you clear up an intermittent receive problem caused by a relay contact.

Dennis N6KI noticed this locking power plug <http://www.familysafe.com/powerstop_power_plug_lock.html> that might be useful in securing your station or preventing unauthorized (or unwise) energizing of a piece of gear.

VE7BQH's tables of antenna performance <http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/6mTable.htm> for 6 meters, 2 meters, and 70 cm are now updated on the web site of Lance W7GJ. (The link is about halfway down the page.) The tables are now in spreadsheet (Excel) format with the band listings on individual worksheets.

Want to make your own radar from "stone knives and bearskins"? The November 2012 IEEE Spectrum article "Coffee-Can Radar <http://spectrum.ieee.org/geek-life/hands-on/coffeecan-radar>" shows how, using a laptop for the computational horsepower. A video <spectrum.ieee.org/diyradar1112> describing the project is also available.

The art store is always a fertile place for the imagination and the workbench. A note in The Canadian Amateur by VE3DCU points out that painting panels <http://ampersandart.com/> for artists (a simple wood frame with a paintable hardboard panel) can be used for simple circuits that don't require a shielded enclosure.

What has KB9YIG, purveyor of the SoftRock SDR kits been up to? He's still pumping out designs <http://fivedash.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&cPath=1&products_id=5>. The time has never been better to try an SDR radio!

Night Fire Electronics <http://vakits.com/> is a recent entry into the kits and parts scene. Along with a wide selection of electronic products, their component collections and prototyping boards are very useful.

This simple and artistic Instructables knife-holder project <http://www.instructables.com/id/Universal-Knife-Block-Design-Martin-Robitsch/> is adaptable to holding all manner of small tools and can act as a third-hand during assembly and soldering. Who says the workbench can't look good as well as be functional?

Technical Web Site of the Week - Does anyone make variable capacitors these days? Yes and right here in Ohio! Oren Elliott Products <http://www.orenelliottproducts.com/> is the primary supplier of "bread slicer" capacitors in the USA. There are a wide variety of values and voltages available as the graphic above illustrates. They also make variable inductors and planetary reduction drives. (Thanks, Carl KM1H)

==> CONVERSATION

Prestidigitation On A Winter's Solstice

A small quasi-literary offering from the N0AX archives to my many readers at the end of 2012. Keep it magical!

This quiet eve with all asleep
The time has come alone to keep
My schedule

Without a station's sign at hand
I simply tune across the band
To listen

Detecting falls of frozen flake
Faint cracklings distant nimbus make
Their message

This window onto blackest night
Envisioned through electric sight
Of wireless

A station under sun or star
>From key or voice or touch afar
Is calling

Waves fly beyond to skybound plane
Yet gently bent to ground again
The signal

Whose fields my silent wires find
Imperatives electrons mind
In current

Miniscule yet well received
A miracle by me perceived
As magic

73, Ward N0AX

==> CONTESTS

19 Dec 2012 through 1 Jan 2013

An expanded, downloadable version of QST's Contest Corral in PDF format <http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar> is available. Check the sponsor's Web site for information on operating time restrictions and other instructions.

HF CONTESTS

Lighthouse Christmas Lights QSO Party--Phone,CW,Digital, from Dec 21, 0001Z to Jan 8, 2359Z. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50,144. Exchange: Serial or ARLHS number. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://arlhs.com/>

RAEM Contest--CW, from Dec 23, 0000Z to Dec 23, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28. Exchange: Serial and lat/long in degrees. Logs due: Jan 25. Rules <http://raem.srr.ru/>

SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW, from Dec 26, 0000Z to Dec 26, 0200Z. Monthly on the 4th Wednesday UTC. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules

<http://www.skccgroup.com/>

DARC XMAS Contest--Phone,CW, from Dec 26, 0830Z to Dec 26, 1059Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RS(T) and DOK or special station code. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/contest/xmas/en>

NAQCC Milliwatt Sprint--CW, from Dec 27, 0130Z to Dec 27, 0330Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, and NAQCC mbr nr or power. Logs due: 4 days. Rules <http://naqcc.info/>

Original QRP Contest--CW, from Dec 29, 1500Z to Dec 30, 1500Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, serial, and category. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/hotr.html>

New Year's Eve and New Year's Day Contests

ARRL Straight Key Night--CW, from Jan 1, 0000Z to Jan 1, 2400Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-28, 50+. Exchange: General QSO information. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.arrl.org/straight-key-night>

New Years Snowball Contest--Phone,CW, from Jan 1, 0000Z to Jan 1, 0100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5. Exchange: RST, serial, AGB number. Logs due: 3 weeks. Rules <http://ev5agb.com/index.htm>

SARTG New Year RTTY Contest--Digital, from Jan 1, 0800Z to Jan 1, 1100Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-7. Exchange: RST, serial, Happy New Year in your language. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.sartg.com/>

AGCW Happy New Year Contest--CW, from Jan 1, 0900Z to Jan 1, 1200Z. Bands (MHz): 3.5-14. Exchange: RST, serial, AGCW number. Logs due: Jan 31. Rules <http://www.agcw.de/>

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SKCC Straight Key Sprint--CW, from Dec 26, 0000Z to Dec 26, 0200Z. Monthly on the 4th Wednesday UTC. Bands (MHz): 1.8-28, 50. Exchange: RST, S/P/C, name, SKCC nr or power. Logs due: 5 days. Rules <http://www.skccgroup.com/>

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- December 19 - ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW <http://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>
- December 20 - VU International DX Contest <http://arsi.info/contests/international/rules>

- December 20 - QRP Fox Hunt
<http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm>
- December 21 - Homebrew and Oldtime Equipment Party
<http://www.qrpcc.de/contestrules/hotr.html>
- December 22 - Feld Hell Sprint
<https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests/sprint-rules>
- December 22 - QRP Fox Hunt
<http://www.qrpfoxhunt.org/winter_rules.htm>
- December 23 - Run for the Bacon QRP Contest
<http://fpqrp.org/pigrun/>
- December 23 - NCCC Sprint <http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>
- December 30 - QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint
<http://www.qrparci.org/content/view/8401/118/>
- December 30 - Russian 160-Meter Contest
<http://www.radio.ru/cq/contest/rule-results/index2012.shtml>
- December 31 - Kentucky QSO Party
<http://www.wkdxa.com/mainsite/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=45:wkdxa&catid
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- December 31 - IPARC Contest
<http://www.mydarc.de/dl0ipa/IPARC-Contest%202012%20(engl).pdf>
- December 31 - All Austrian 160-Meter Contest
<http://www.oevsv.at/export/oevsv/download/AOEC/Rules_AOEC_160m.pdf>
- December 31 - TARA RTTY Melee
<http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_melee_rules.html>
- December 31 - TOPS Activity Contest
<http://www.procwclub.yo6ex.ro/TOP%20OF%20OPERATORS%20ACTIVITY%20CONTEST.pdf>
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==> HURRICANE CENTER STATION ACTIVE ON SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY

WX4NHC <http://www2.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/>, the Amateur Radio station at
the National Hurricane Center <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/> in Miami,
Florida, was activated on Saturday, December 1, for SKYWARN Recognition
Day, a nationwide event. Julio Ripoll, WD4R, Assistant Coordinator for
the station, said "This was an excellent on-the-air event to practice
our radio skills and exchange basic weather data over ham radio between
NWS forecast offices and volunteer SKYWARN spotters. We tested our
equipment, antennas, computers and several modes of communications that
are used to gather surface eye witness reports during severe weather
events including, of course, hurricanes." Ripoll said that "this was
also a good opportunity to train new operators on equipment and
procedures, and interface with NWS staff that may not be familiar with
the capabilities of Amateur Radio communications."

"Even though HF propagation was poor from our location in south
Florida, WX4NHC operators were able to make a total of 122 contacts --
70 on HF, VHF and UHF frequencies, and 52 on EchoLink and IRLP,"
reported Ripoll. "We made direct contact with 24 NWS offices
nationwide. The farthest station contacted was in Estonia where it was
-1? C with light snow. The coldest weather report received was 18? F
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from Turner, Maine. The warmest weather report received was 82° F from Brownsville, Texas. The most unique report was "Volcanic Haze" from Honolulu, Hawaii." Ripoll offered special thanks to the VoIP Hurricane Net <http://www.voipwx.net/> team operating from NWS Taunton, Massachusetts, for sponsoring the net on EchoLink/IRLP.

==> HURRICANE SANDY SPAWNS LESSONS LEARNED FOR CONNECTICUT ARES

In last month's issue, Connecticut Section Manager Betsey Doane, K1EIC, reported on her section's comprehensive deployment for massive storm Sandy. This month, her Section Emergency Coordinator Wayne Gronlund, N1CLV, offers his perspective on lessons learned from the event:

The old adage that "a disaster is not the time to be exchanging business cards" was validated. In areas where strong relationships had been previously developed with our served agencies (Red Cross, Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, and municipal governments), requests for Amateur Radio assistance in shelters and at EOCs were quickly and effectively handled at the local level. In those areas where ARES/SKYWARN officials exercised active/strong leadership and were proactive in offering and providing Amateur Radio support, there were a lot of useful and productive assignments available to our volunteers.

The five regional DECs and the SKYWARN DEC (or their designated representatives) participated in statewide SEC nets conducted every two hours. The SEC net gave me a good feel for where things were going well and where they were not. Section Manager Doane was an active participant and helped me to identify and address any issues in our response.

VHF/UHF frequencies (both repeater and simplex) provided the primary platform for our disaster response and emergency communications needs. During the widespread power outages, many of our repeater systems shifted to emergency power and continued to function. Repeater owners and control operators did an extraordinary job of keeping us on the air. The KB1AEV linked system in particular remained viable and provided coverage for approximately 80% of the state. Many of the facilities where we rendered assistance would not easily accommodate deployment of HF antennas.

Areas for Improvement

A significant number of our volunteers are affiliated with both ARES/SKYWARN and the Red Cross (and to some extent, other volunteer groups who provide disaster support). Depending on the nature of the incident, volunteers may choose to assist one of the other non-governmental organizations (NGOs) whom they support rather than ARES/SKYWARN. This "double counting" of resources creates a shortfall in the numbers of operators expected to be available to help.

Getting more ARES/SKYWARN leaders at all levels (ASEC/DEC/ADEC/EC/AEC) to exercise what we in the Coast Guard call "trained initiative" would

improve our effectiveness when communications up/down the chain of command are difficult or not readily available. Those leadership officials with local situational awareness who know what needs to be done and how to get it done right without being told do so, could help to decentralize control and make the entire organization more responsive. Note: this is NOT suggesting self-deployment of ARES/SKYWARN members, but rather leadership being exercised at the lowest levels of the organization. -- Wayne Gronlund, N1CLV, Connecticut Section Emergency Coordinator

==> SUPER TYPHOON BOPHA: HAMS RESPOND WITH COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT

Typhoon Bopha (local name Pablo), a Category 5 super storm, hit the Philippines on December 3 uprooting trees, downing power lines, sparking landslides and driving 40,000 people to head for shelters. It was the strongest of about 20 typhoons to affect the country this year with its heavy rain and wind gusting up to 210 km/h as it came ashore at Mindanao. It was the strongest typhoon to ever hit the southern island. More than 600 died.

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA) had its ham emergency radio operations (HERO) program working when the typhoon struck. PARA used all available means of communication including HF radio (7.095 MHz), VHF radio (144.740 MHz), the Internet and social media such as Facebook, e-mail, and EchoLink to monitor the situation and give updates to all concerned as necessary.

RADNET 5, a local club of Amateur Radio operators in Tacloban City, provided the city with vital communications links and was in constant coordination with the City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (CDRRMC). 5700 families were evacuated from Saint Bernard. RADNET 5 also assisted the Red Cross in Tacloban and Saint Bernard. The City Government of Tacloban City used the Tacloban Convention Center as one of its evacuation points.

Operations and relief proceeded well with planning and preparations, the cooperation of evacuees and the mammoth response and recovery efforts. -- Jim Linton, VK3PC, Chairman, IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee, with Philippines Amateur Radio Association Chief Operating Officer Eddie Valdez, DU1EV

==> GAREC-2012 A WRAP

The eighth Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Conference, GAREC-2012, took place in Port Dickson, Malaysia, November 12-14, hosted by the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society and was attended by 17 delegates from nine countries. The theme of the conference was "One world, One commitment." In 2005, the first Global Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (GAREC) Conference was organized on the initiative of Seppo Sisatto, OH1VR, in Tampere, Finland. Following the success of this event and the increased interest in international and regional cooperation on the function of emergency

communications, GAREC conferences were established as annual events.

For the Malaysia conference last month, presentations were received on the mobile emergency weather system, which provides a means for citizens to assist authorities with weather reports using simple equipment and training, augmented by the amateur service.

The status of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service provisions in Finland, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Germany and Switzerland was discussed, which highlighted the differences and similarities in approaches to emergency planning by the respective countries, directed to meeting the needs of their peoples. The Swiss delegation presented their procedure for a special net control protocol, which provided more efficient message handling when the volume of messages increases beyond the needs of a simple net.

The conferees considered the common issues facing Amateur Radio emergency communicators, and recognized that while solutions may not be easy to find, sharing the problems and allowing individual countries to realize that they were not alone provides valuable support to the global Amateur Radio emergency and disaster relief community.

Conferees participated in two exercises, the first a directed exercise where they were asked to work together as a team, providing emergency communications for a fictional country and event. This encouraged the delegates to consider what their ideal network and licensing environment would look like as well as enhance interpersonal relationships helping them to work together more efficiently in the future.

The IARU HF Emergency Operating Procedure <http://www.dx.ardi.lv/emerg-ww.pdf> was reviewed following the experience of use in GlobalSET and national exercises. A number of opportunities were identified to improve the procedure and these will be developed by the delegates for presentation to the IARU Regional Emergency Coordinators (EMCOR).

The titles of "GAREC" and the "Global Centre of Emergency Frequencies <http://www.iaru.org/uploads/1/3/0/7/13073366/emergencycenterofactivityfrequencies.pdf>" (CoA frequencies) can be misinterpreted as only referring to "Global" emergencies, concluded the conferees. This is not the case, they said. "The Conference and CoA frequencies are available for all emergency communicators around the world to share their knowledge to assist their colleagues who are having problems themselves."

There was a discussion on how GAREC and emergency communications should be branded to allow more exposure to served agencies and the public we also serve: "All emergency communications groups are encouraged to share information on all emergencies they are asked to assist with so that our public profile is raised and understanding of our service improved."

It was discovered that four countries were independently looking at the issue of monitoring the CoA frequencies to allow the alert to be raised for a disaster or emergency in an automatic manner: "It would obviously be better for those countries to collaborate on establishing a standard solution. The continuation of GAREC as a forum to share ideas and plans may prevent duplicate efforts in the future."

There was increased understanding of the restrictions placed on radio amateurs in different countries in the context of emergency response.

The delegates suggested that future conferences seek to involve partners in emergency response such as IFRC and ITU to ensure that the most value is gained from the memoranda of understanding that exist between those organizations and the Amateur Radio community.

The next GAREC will be held in Zurich, Switzerland, June 25-27, 2013 and all groups and organizations are invited to attend. Future conference venues have been identified as Huntsville, Alabama, United States in 2014; and Tampere, Finland in 2015. The conferees thanked their hosts, the Malaysian Amateur Radio Transmitters Society, and the people of Malaysia.

Documents of GAREC-2012 can be found here <http://www.iaru.org/garec.html>.

IARU and GAREC

For each conference, an organizing committee works together with a local host, and IARU representatives participate in the event. In its 2009 meeting in Christchurch, New Zealand, the IARU Administrative Council has now defined the relationship between GAREC and IARU, by adopting the following recommendations contained in the Statement of the GAREC-2009 Conference: "GAREC 2009 recommends that GAREC conferences should continue to be held in locations throughout the world to the extent possible and should maintain the character of GAREC as an informal meeting among representatives of IARU member societies and of Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Groups within or outside of the respective National IARU Member Society, serving as a forum for the exchange of experience and as an advisory body for the work on emergency communications of the IARU."

==> CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON SET: INDEPENDENCE DAY IN NOVEMBER

No, it wasn't the misdirection of a national holiday, but rather the opportunity to focus on digital messaging modes that motivated Clark County (Washington) ARES/RACES members to venture out for three hours on a dark and stormy evening, November 19. A weekday evening was selected this time around to allow members who are not normally available for weekday and/or weekend exercises to participate.

This Fall 2012 SET scenario involved a typical "4th of July" public agency communications overload, with the added task load of two simulated major fireworks-related fires, one in a mixed business/residential neighborhood and the other adjacent to Interstate

5 just north of Vancouver. More than 35 members deployed to their designated team locations, including the County EOC, the Sheriff's office, five fire departments, one hospital, one EMS station, and one SAR group. In order to practice multiple messaging modes in parallel, injects of simulated traffic came via Winlink 2000 (RMS Express and Airmail), packet BBS (Outpost), and voice. Interoperability between Windows, Mac, and Linux computers was exercised as well. At one point voice net control was smoothly shifted from 2m to 70cm. The 1.25m band was also used for passing messages. -- Steve Aberle, WA7PTM, Western Washington Official Emergency Station

==> SANTA BARBARA ARES SAVES THE DAY FOR AGENCIES IN EARTHQUAKE DRILL

The four Santa Barbara (California) County ARES units were activated on November 15 to assist the county's public health department in a state-wide emergency response exercise. As it turned out, the amateurs saved the day when the participating agencies were unable to deliver messages through the new WebEOC <http://esi911.com/esi/index.php?Itemid=30&id=14&option=com_content&task=view> computer system.

The scenario was a major earthquake and each county health department was to respond as though the disaster were local. In Santa Barbara County, players included all hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, the American Red Cross, Direct Relief International <http://www.directrelief.org/>, and retirement communities, law enforcement, public works, etc.

The County Office of Emergency Management staff had been training local agencies on the Web EOC computer program for several months. This exercise was to be a real-time test of the system, recently installed in the new Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

ARES members reported to five local hospitals to establish backup communications with the Public Health Department's Operations Center (DOC) and the County EOC. They were also asked to respond to a medical field treatment center in Santa Barbara, about 15 miles from the DOC.

Because three of the hospitals are separated from Santa Barbara and the DOC by a 4,000'-high mountain range, a 2-meter repeater on the ridgeline was used for county-wide voice communications. Each of the four areas established nets on their local repeaters and on 2-meter simplex frequencies to communicate between field units, EOCs, hospitals, and the DOC.

Within an hour of the exercise start, it was apparent traffic flow on the WebEOC system was in trouble. ARES communicators at hospitals and city EOCs were sending queries to the County EOC about messages that had not been answered and information expected to arrive had not been received via WebEOC. Fortunately, flow of traffic to, from, and between the hospitals, EOC, and DOC on the ARES networks was seamless and important information, such as conference call phone numbers and codes,

allowed the exercise to continue as planned. A Battalion Chief who is the Communications Coordinator of the Lompoc Fire Department said, "ARES was about the only communications that worked."

The ARES operator at the EOC also checked in to the state and region nets on 40 meters. In addition to voice communications backup, the Public Health Department requested the Santa Barbara ARES unit to provide Slow Scan TV from a field treatment site they had set up in Santa Barbara, about 15 miles away, to the DOC. A 224 MHz repeater on the mountain was used to send the images, which were received in both the radio room at the DOC and in the operations center so staff managing the emergency could see "victims" arriving, doctors providing triage and care, and transportation. The Emergency Preparedness Program Administrator was extremely pleased with the abilities of Amateur Radio to be flexible and respond to the needs of the operations center staff as they occurred. The staff specifically requests SSTV whenever they feel it will be useful to them.

Nineteen ARES members participated, led by Lou Dartanner, N6ZKJ, District Emergency Coordinator; Bruce Gordon, N6OLT, Santa Barbara EC; Ray Lischka, W9EC, Lompoc EC; Jim Gilbert, AK6JG, Santa Ynez EC; and Dennis Daniel, KM6DF, Santa Maria EC.

The new County EOC opened in 2011. During the construction, the Office of Emergency Management staff solicited input from ARES officials, not only for communications but for ideas and comments in general. When it came to installing amateur antennas on the 40' tower, the OEM manager told ARES there was a problem. He said the sides of the tower were

pretty full, would we mind a spot on the top? We said we would manage! The top of the tower sports a tri-band antenna (2 meter, 220 MHz, 450 MHz bands), and a "Carolina Windom" HF antenna on a cross arm to cover all HF Amateur frequencies from 3.5 to 30 MHz. At the 30' level is a 3-element 2-meter beam antenna aimed at an amateur repeater across the mountain. On top of the building are two discones, 120-1200 MHz, with one also able to work 6 meters and the other 27 MHz. -- Lou Dartanner, N6ZKJ, District Emergency Coordinator, Santa Barbara, California, ARES

==> UTAH ARES/SKYWARN SPOTTERS PROMPT INSIGHTFUL NWS LETTER

The Uintah County (Utah) ARES group was called by the National Weather Service's Grand Junction (Colorado) forecast office on Saturday, August 11, to work in a SKYWARN capacity for expected severe weather. Lamond Harrison, WX7L, Uintah County EC, sent alerting texts and e-mails, and put out a call on the radio to ARES/SKYWARN members to be prepared. Harrison reports: "At about 1:30 PM we were activated. The NWS requested that we have people stationed at multiple points on the mountain north of Vernal to report the received weather. The computer models were predicting heavy rain with hail up to 1.25 inches in diameter and high winds. So we grabbed our equipment and off we went."

Uintah County is located in the northeastern corner of Utah. It's larger than Delaware and has a population of about 33,000. Dagget County is north of the county next to Wyoming, and Moffat County, Colorado, is to the east. The NWS office in Grand Junction is located 140 miles southeast of Vernal, Utah. Because of the mountains in the area, we are in a Doppler radar "black hole," said Harrison. "The bottom of the radar image over Uintah County is about 20,000 feet high. Vernal's elevation is 5230 feet. So, the radar does not come close to seeing what is happening on the ground. The southern part of Uintah County is high mountain desert. Only Sage brush, cactus, and a few clumps of grass grow there. Flash flooding is a constant danger. So having the radar working properly is critical for the highway over the mountains and the many roads and energy workers in the desert. Because the Doppler radar image is only looking at the tops of the storm clouds the NWS has written computer models to let them know what is actually happening on the ground. They want them perfect. That is why they called us, Harrison said.

The storm produced heavy rain as expected, with the largest hail measuring 0.5 inches. Jim Pringle of the NWS office sent this post-event e-mail to Harrison:

Hello Lamond:

Our staff and I are very grateful for the assistance of you and your SKYWARN folks to mobilize and monitor the weather for us today. Although there were no "big" events from this afternoon's thunderstorms in northern Uintah County, your information helped us in several ways: Based on your reports, we learned that our radar was running "too hot" as it was indicating hail stones up to 1.25 inches in diameter, not only in Uintah County but also in Moffat County. Your information also indicated that the strong winds (i.e., greater than 50 mph) did not materialize. This information resulted in our forecast staff making the apparently correct decision to NOT issue any Severe Thunderstorm Warnings for northern Uintah County or Moffat County, even though our radar algorithms were telling us otherwise.

Also, your reports confirmed that heavy rain was occurring from those storms over northern Uintah County, which essentially confirmed the radar rainfall precipitation estimates of a third to half an inch over any one spot from any individual storm cell.

This morning, our forecast staff did discuss the possibility of drier air moving into northern Uintah County sooner than any thunderstorms could develop. Depending on the atmospheric computer model, thunderstorms could have been totally suppressed over northern Uintah County or they could develop and persist into the evening hours. That is why we were on the fence this morning when I spoke with you and Julie during the "standby" notification at 0900 MDT. Then after the thunderstorms initially developed before noon today, and when they persisted through the time that I requested the SKYWARN activation, it was decided in our office to err on the conservative side and assume the possibility that the storms could persist into the early evening

hours in northern to central Uintah County. Well, hindsight is always 20-20, and the drier air moved into northwest Uintah County by 1600 MDT. As of 1700 MDT, that drier air already moved southward with the cool front into central Uintah County.

It was a sincere pleasure working with you and your SKYWARN spotters today. :-) -- Jim

Harrison said his group was grateful to have been of help: Erik Larsen, AD70V; Heather Larsen, AD7OW; Christopher Larsen, KF7JRE; Jonathan Larsen, KF7JRK; Dirk Checketts, KD7ZLG; Susan Checketts, KF7MWS; and Lamond Harrison, WX7L, who concluded "It was fun, wet, and deliciously cool on the mountain. The temperature dropped to 51 degrees while we were there. It felt good to provide a service that afternoon, and have a heck of a lot of fun also."

==> NOMINATE NOW: 2012 ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Nominations are open for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award <http://www.arrl.org/international-humanitarian-award>. This award is conferred upon an amateur or amateurs who demonstrate devotion to human welfare, peace and international understanding through Amateur Radio. The League established the annual prize to recognize those radio amateurs who have used ham radio to provide extraordinary service to others in times of crisis or disaster. As one of the few telecommunication services that allow people throughout the world from all walks of life to meet and talk with each other, Amateur Radio spreads goodwill across political boundaries.

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Andrey Fedorov, KL1A/RW3AH, received the 2011 ARRL International Humanitarian Award. Fedorov is the former Chief Coordinator of the Russian Amateur Radio Emergency Service (RARES) and has been involved in providing communications support via Amateur Radio for almost 25 years. He has also served in Rwanda, Turkey and Kosovo as an Emergency Rescue Service Officer, and as a Regional Communications Officer for

the UN Peacekeeping Mission in Afghanistan.

All nominations and supporting materials for the 2012 ARRL International Humanitarian Award must be submitted in writing in English to ARRL International Humanitarian Award, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111 USA. Nomination submissions are due by December 31, 2012. In the event that no nominations are received, the committee may determine a recipient or decide to make no award. The recipient of the ARRL International Humanitarian Award receives an engraved plaque, as well as a profile in QST and other ARRL venues.

==> K1CE FOR A FINAL

I was taken by the letter from the National Weather Service's meteorologist to the EC of Uintah county, Utah, Lamond Harrison, WX7L. It provided an intimate glimpse into just how significant the NWS considers Amateur Radio's SKYWARN contributions are. I found it be fascinating and richly rewarding. Congratulations to Uintah county ARES.

And finally, happy holidays from all of us here on the corporate mega-campus of the ARES E-Letter Editorial and Production offices, Daytona Beach, Florida, the world's most famous beach! Catch you next year! 73, Rick, K1CE

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2587. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Wednesday 19 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93404c73ba3c504d12fe4aa@google.com>
Source record: 1004
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Yakima Hamfest 2013 - W7AQ - YAKIMA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Posted: 17 Dec 2012 11:04 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372491-Yakima-Hamfest-2013-W7AQ-YAKIMA-AMATEUR-RADIO-CLUB&goto=newpost

Yakima Hamfest - W7AQ - YAKIMA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Plans for 2013 Have been made!

The date is April 13th 2013 at the Selah Civic Center at 216 S. 1st Street
in Selah

W7AQ - YAKIMA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Presents the

YAKIMA Hamfest

April 13, 2012

Sat 9am - 4pm

☐Serving the Yakima Valley since 1930☐

Located again this year at

Selah Civic Center

216 South 1st Street

Selah, WA

$7.00 each - Children under 12 is Free

Mark your

Calendar or

Enter into your

SmartPhone

Yakima Hamfest - W7AQ - YAKIMA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

2013 Flyer http://bearcreekguns.us/w7aq/flyer.pdf

W7AQ Concessions on site

Breakfast at 7 - 10 AM

Lunch at 11 AM ☐ 1 PM

Talk - in Frequency 146.660 MHz PL 123.0

THOSE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING TABLES CAN

VIEW TABLE LAYOUT IN DOWN LOADABLE .pdf FILE

AT THE CLUB WEBSITE: www.w7aq.org

(FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED)

* PICK UP PRE-REGISTRATIONS AT DOOR *

Registrations postmarked before March 23rd will receive an extra door prize ticket for each registrant.

General Info: Lindsay Kooser (509) 965-6612

or n7rhw@arrl.net

FOR COMMERCIAL SPACE and/or Tables: PLEASE CONTACT Ray Gregg (206) 619-3619 or k7val@arrl.net

See us during setup Friday evening for information on overnight RV parking

Prize Drawing

At 3:00 PM

1st Prize is an HF Transceiver

There will be

many other fine prizes

Capitol engraving (including ARRL Badges)

Yakima Networking

.....And of course all of you that attend!

On Site ARRL VE Testing

Saturday beginning at 12:00, Walk-ins are welcome.

Remember to bring picture ID and a copy of your license and/or CSCE if upgrading.

For more information contact: Mark Delagasse (509) 307-4217 or n6hyf@arrl.net

Bring your 2M Hand-Held tuned to 146.220 and join the

☐BUNNY HUNT☐ @1400 in the Civic Center ☐

Find the BUNNY and win a prize.

(Rubber-Ducky antenna only ☐ no Yagis or directional arrays)

Attached Files

2013flyer.pdf
(376.8 KB)

2588. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 19 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-19 11:08:17 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d043c7d5e388db504d132a163@google.com>
Source record: 1005
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Live D-Star broadcast

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Dxv3pbhtvpc/live_d_star_broadcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

W5KUB.com will be doing a live internet broadcast called 'D-Star Live' on
Dec 29th from 1600 until 2000 UTC

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Two new national societies join IARU

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4cVzKgwU3KE/two_new_national_societies_join_iaru.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan and the St Vincent and the
Grenadines Amateur Radio Club are the two newest members of the
International Amateur Radio Union

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AmateurLogic.TV 48: A Major Award

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2iAaDTaSCEQ/amateurlogic_tv_48.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

George shows us how to setup an HF Radio Station. Tommy builds a Foxhunt
beacon with the Arduino. Peter has a Raspberry Pi present for you. Emile
talks about hi tech cheap stuff

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Radio Ham quoted in New York Times

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WJL6PVfJZ_Y/radio_ham_quoted_in_new_york_times.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The New York Times newspaper quotes comments from radio amateur Greg
Roberts ZS1BI regarding North Korea's first satellite Kwangmyŏngsŏng-3b

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Ham-In-A-Day far exceeds expectations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TpKDU83QQZg/ham_in_a_day_far_exceeds_expectations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

101 would-be radio hams attended the class that taught the theory then gave
them the Technician exam, all in a single day - 63 passed

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DXCC News

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ll-PyuwW4SA/dxcc_news_1912.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This is a reminder that the deadline for the 2012 DXCC Annual and Honor
Roll listing of December 31, 2012, is rapidly approaching

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Christmas Lights

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2D04U-WgMo0/christmas_lights.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Here is a novelty way to use up old sets of Christmas lights - as a HF
vertical antenna !

2589. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 19 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-19 17:30:57 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04448059d921fb04d137f9b3@google.com>
Source record: 1006
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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PY0F/PP1CZ Fernando de Noronha Island

Posted: 19 Dec 2012 08:14 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372656-PY0F-PP1CZ-Fernando-de-Noronha-Island&goto=newpost

PP1CZ will be active from Fernando de Noronha Island 15-21 January 2013 as PY0F/PP1CZ

http://dxing.at-communication.com/en...oronha-island/

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2590. eHam.net News for Wednesday 19 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-19 23:07:06 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc376fb2f5004d13cabd6@google.com>
Source record: 1007
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Brevard Radio Amateurs Ready to Tune In for Doom:

Posted: 18 Dec 2012 04:02 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29532

John Rogers doesn't expect the sky to peel back into a purple haze or the ground beneath him to give way to flames, but he does believe Friday -- the date for the much-talked about end of the Mayan calendar -- will bring about a spiritual shift in the consciousness of man. "There is a lot of anxiety out there, but hopefully it's a spiritual awakening for a lot of people," said Rogers, a member of the Spiritualist Church of Melbourne, a congregation that focuses on spiritual planes, prophecies and seeking contact with the afterlife through mediums. "Just the idea of it is putting a lot of fear in people today," he said. "I've heard of folks in other parts of Florida buying boats and stocking up on supplies. After years of buildup, hype, books, documentaries and even movies about predictions for cataclysmic or transformative world events tied to the end of a 5,126-year cycle, the long count Mayan Calendar comes to an abrupt halt Friday.

2591. [DXNL] DXNL 1811/1812 (Dec 19, 2012)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-20 01:01:20 UTC
From: Robert Busch - DL7VOA <dl7voa@gmx.de>
Message-ID: <784512875.20121219211936@dxhf.darc.de>
Source record: 1008
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

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This double issue is the last issue of this year.
We would like to say a big Thank you to all who contributed to the
success of DXNL in 2012 with your information! We wish all our readers
and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The DXNL team:
Johannes, DK8JB Editor
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Robert, DL7VOA translation and webadmin
Fabian, DJ1YFK support
Julian, DL6OCK IT support

7P, LESOTHO
Kiyo,JR1IZM, will be active as 7P8ZM from Maseru City in holiday style
using CW/SSB/digital modes on 40m-6m probably using an IC-7200 and loop
until Jan 15. QSL via JO1CRA.

DU, PHILIPPINES, OC-042
Al,W7XA, is living in the Philippines now. He is working as DU1/W7XA
mainly in CW on 40m-10m with 100 watts and an Inverted-V near Tagaytay,
40 km south of Manila. In February he'll start with QRO and a Hexbeam.
The QSL route will be announced on QRZ.com.

G, ENGLAND, EU-005
The RSGB celebrates its 100th jubilee in 2013. Special event stations
from all call areas (Gx100RSGB) will be active on the air. See also:
http://www.rsgb.org/aboutrsgb/rsgbcentenary2013/?id=rsgb-centenary-home
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After 18 years the clubhouse of GB2BP in Bletchley Park has to make way
for the new park entrance and an access road to the park. It will be
re-activated occasionally as a special event station by the Milton
Keynes Amateur Radio Society (MKARS). See also: http://www.mkars.org.uk

HB9, SWITZERLAND
The Tera Radio Club (HB9OK) plans to be active with the special call
HB30OK almost everyday between Jan 1 and Dec 31, 2013 celebrating the
30th anniversary of the club.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, NA-096
Alex,HI7/RO5D, is working on 20m/15m/10m and maybe 40m until Dec 25.
QSL via homecall.

JA, JAPAN, AS-007
The special event station 8N119T will be active in all modes on all
HF bands between Dec 23 and March 25 to celebrate the 65th anniversary
of the Tokyo Fire Department. 119 is the emergency number in Japan fo
ambulance and firemen. QSL via bureau.

LY, LITHUANIA
The Christman special event station LY12XMAS is working until Dec 31.
QSL via LY2QT.

OA, PERU
Martijn,OA4/PA3GFE, will be working holiday style mainly in CW/digital
on 40m-10m from Dec 20 until Feb 2. He also wants to put a resonant
80m antenna on air. QSL via homecall, LoTW.

SP, POLAND
The special event station HF0WOSP will be activated by the "Klub
Krotkofalowcow Lok" in January. QSL via SP2KFL. See: http://sp2kfl.org
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The special event station HF2012PLL is working from Swidnik until
Jan 14 to promote the new airport Lublin. The OPs are Marek,SP8QEJ,
Arek,SQ8BGR, Zdzisiek,SQ8EP, and Krzysiek,SP8GVM.
See also: http://www.zwiedzajlubelskie.pl/lotnisko

SU, EGYPT
Gerd,DJ5IW, received a licence for Egypt and is active as SU/DJ5IW
until Dec 21. QSL via homecall.

VE, CANADA
The special event station CK3B celebrates the 50th anniversary of the
Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) until Dec 28. QSL via VE3JPP.

VP9, BERMUDA ISLANDS, NA-005
Masa,K1GI/VP9, wanrs to hit the airwaves in CW, SSB and digital modes
on 160m-10m from Dec 29 until Jan 2.
QSL direct via JG2BRI, LoTW, ClugLog (OQRS).

W, USA
On Dec 21 the Mayan calendar comes to an end. Some people are afraid
of the the end of the world. The OPs of N0D are waiting for the
possible events on Dec 20/21. If nothing happens they will be QRV
also on Dec 22. QSL via KK5W, unfortunately only direct.
See also: http://www.nowzerodays.com

XE, MEXICO
Members of the Radio club Cancun announced to activate the special
event station 4A0MAYA in SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 40m-6m from Dec 19-23.
QSL via XE3RCC. See also: http://www.4a0maya.info

Markus,XE1/DJ4EL, will be working from Tlaxcala near the Malinche
volcano (4460m) from Dec 20 until Jan 2. QSL via homecall.

LINKS: Current SOTA activities (mountain summits) are announced at:
http://www.sotawatch.org

Detailed information about current VHF activities can be found on the
VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: http://www.MMMonVHF.de

UPCOMING CONTESTS

Dec 21 AGB Party Contest
Dec 23 RAEM International HF Contest CW
Dec 26 DARC Christmas Party
Dec 29 RAC Canada Winter Contest
Dec 29/30 Original-QRP-Contest
Dec 29/30 Stew Perry Topband Distance Challenge
Dec 30 DSW short contest
Jan 1 SARTG New Year RTTY Contest
Jan 1 AGCW-DL Happy New Year Contest
Jan 1 AGCW-VHF/UHF Contest

WW Iron Ham Contest: The "Araucaria DX Group" was inspired by the "Ironman
Thriatlon" races and introduces the "WW Iron Ham Contest".
This 24-hour-contest in SSB, CW and RTTY takes place on Dec 29/30,
the rules can be found at: http://www.araucariadx.com/ih

WAEDC Questionnaire: To get a better understanding what the WAEDC partici-
pants like or dislike about this particular contest we created a small
survey. Please take a few minutes and answer the following questions for us:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dEZrUlg0bldoNnlyLUJ6a3d
aVEhKMVE6MQ

IOTA compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG (e-mail: iota@dxhf.darc.de)

Island activities:
AS-013, 8Q, Maldive Islands: Max,HB9TUZ, is going to spend his holidays on
the North Male Atoll (WLOTA 3911) from Dec 26 until Jan 3. He will sign
8Q7MS in holiday style on 80m-10m SSB. QSL only via eQSL.

AS-021, A6, Trucial Coast group: Members of the Emirates Amateur Radio
Society are planning a trip to Umm Al Hatab Island from Dec 19-24.
They will be active as A63HI on the HF bands. QSL via IZ8CLM.
See also: http:/www.ears.ae

AS-031, JD, Chichi/Haha/Muko Islands: Harry,JG7PSJ, will be QRV as JD1BMH
from Chichijima (WLOTA 2269, Loc QL17cc, JCG 10007) between Dec 30 and
Jan 4. Listen for him in CW, SSB and RTTY on 80m-10m.

QSL via JD1BMH (bureau) or JG7PSJ (direct). See: http://jd1bmh.zxq.net

EU-171, OZ, Jylland North group: Michael,5P1KZX (EPC #19406), will show up
from Frederikshavn on Vendsyssel-Thy (DIA NJ-001, Loc JO57gk) from
Dec 23 until Jan 9. Michael uses this call for QSOs in PSK and RTTY.
He wants to work also on 160m during Christmas. QSL via homecall.

Caribbean Tour by K3LP: David,K3LP, continues his trip through the Caribbean
and will show up in holiday style from following islands:
Dec 23: NA-106, KP2, Virgin Islands: St. Croix (USi VI002S, WLOTA 2477)
as KP2/K3LP
Dec 24: NA-104, V4, St. Kitts and Nevis: from Basseterre as V4/K3LP
Dec 25: NA-101, J7, Dominica: from Roseau as J73/K3LP
Dec 26: NA-024, J3, Grenada: from St. George's (WLOTA 0718) as J3/K3LP
Dec 28: NA-106, KP2, Virgin Islands: from Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas
(USi VI004S) as KP2/K3LP
Dec 29-31: NA-099, KP4, Puerto Rico: San Juan (USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802)
as KP4/K3LP
All QSLs via K3LP (bureau/direct). See also: http://www.k3lp.com

NA-046, W1, Massachusetts State South (Bristol to Barnstable County) group:
Howie,K1VSJ/p, will be QRV from Martha's Vineyard (USi MA005S,
WLOTA 2804) from Dec 28 until Jan 1 with focus on working JA on 15/10m.
QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

NA-100, V2, Antigua and Barbuda: Kei,KG2A (aka JJ1RJR), is going to visit
Antigua (WLOTA 1118) from Dec 23-29 and will hand out IOTA points as
V25A in SSB and CW on 160m-10m. QSL only direct via KG2A.

NA-103, VP2M, Montserrat: Nao,JN1RVS, plans to show up as VP2MRV in CW and
RTTY on 80m-10m from Montserrat (WLOTA 1475) between Dec 21 and Jan 3.
QSL via JA1HGY (bureau/direct/LoTW).

NA-114, FG, Les Saintes Island: Nicolas,FG4NO, will move from Terre de Haut
to Les Saintes Island on Jan 1 which makes him the only active station
from this IOTA group. See also: http://fg4no.fr
QSLs for stations in region 1 via F4AVX (bureau/direct).
QSLs for stations in region 2 and 3 via FG4NO (d).

OC-009, T8, Palau Island: Ryosei,JH0IXE, will be QRV again as T8CW from
Koror Island (Loc PJ77fi) working in RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A on 160m-6m
from Dec 24 until Jan 6. QSL via homecall (bureau/direct).

OC-100, H40, Nendo Island: Sigi,DK9FN, is visiting the Solomon Islands again
and plans to show up as H40FN from Nendo Island (Temotu province) in
in CW (only little SSB) from Dec 22 until Jan 7.
All QSOs will be confirmed via bureau automatically. Direct requests
should be sent to HA8DD.

IOTA general information: Following operations of Oct/Nov 2012 were
approved for the IOTA program: VK4EI/P (OC-171) and 7Z7AB (AS-190).
AS-190 is a valid IOTA group now.

Preview

DATE CALL DXNL

Resident 3B8BAE 1808
-28Feb 3Z5MT 1808
19Dec-23Dec 4A0MAYA 1811/12 *
-31Dec 4G0LD 1761
-31Dec 4O60GBP 1790
23Dec-09Jan 5P1KZX 1811/12 *
09Nov-09Mar 4S7KKG 1805
16Nov- 5T0JL 1772/1806
08Dec-01Mar 5W0W 1809/1810
-2014 5Z4/LA4GHA.. 1810
-2014 5Z4EE 1803/1807
2012 6D0LM 1774
-Jan 6Y5/W8YCM 1809
Unknown 7P8CC 1807
17Dec- 7P8RI 1810
-15Jan 7P8ZM 1811/12 *
Resident 7Q7DFC 1805
-31Dec 7T50I.. 1788

-31Dec 8J1KS 1800
-31Mar 8J1MBR 1788
-31Dec 8J1MST 1779
Resident 8J1RL 1809
-31Mar 8J1SPY 1788
-31Dec 8J1STGY 1800
-31Dec 8J3IPA 1802
-31Dec 8J50YAX 1794
-31Mar 8J5ssS 1807
10Dec-03Mar 8J6HAM 1809
-31Dec 8J6O 1773
-31Dec 8J6OKAJO 1788
23Dec-25Mar 8N119T 1811/12 *
-31Dec 8N1CJ 1807
-31Dec 8N1TDU 1780
26Dec-03Jan 8Q7MS 1811/12 *
-2012 9J2RI 1739/1742
30Oct-26Dec 9M2MRS 1803
Resident 9V1KK 1803
-Oct/14 9V1RM 1751

Resident A22LL 1803
-Sep/13 A52SV 1752
19Dec-24Dec A63HI 1811/12 *
-10Mar BM0LF.. 1805
-Dec/13 C91IW 1787
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-28Dec CK3B 1811/12 *
-31Dec CN2YZ 1771

01Dec-Jan C6AGT 1808
-Dec CW90A 1805
-Dec CY0/VE1AWW 1784
-May/13? D2SG 1748/1780
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-31Dec DA0LSW 1785
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-13Jan DL125HHZ 1778
01Jan-31Dec DL150BH 1761
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-31Dec DL250COAL 1779
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-31Dec DM800ANH 1767
-Feb/13 DP0GVN 1756
-31Dec DP87SIXD 1792
-Jan/13 DQ0STRATEX 1770
-31Dec DQ125HSB.. 1784/1802
-31Dec DR50DTANGO 1791
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08Dec-18Jan DU9/M0GHQ 1810

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-31Dec E720RS 1770
-20Dec EA8/DG1BH 1809
03Dec-12Feb EA8/IK1PMR 1808
03Dec-12Feb EA8/PA3LEO 1808
-31Dec EI100T 1770
01Jan-31Dec EI80IRTS 1763/1788
Unknown ET3AA 1805
Resident FG4NO 1811/12 *
-01Mar FH8NX 1747
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-31Dec GB50WVR 1767
2012 GB80PW 1762
22Dec-07Jan H40FN 1811/12 *
-2013 H44RK 1793
-31Dec HA50ZH 1780
01Jan-Dec/13 HB30OK 1811/12 *
Jan HF0WOSP 1811/12 *
-31Dec HG90ST 1804
-Sep/13 HI3/KL7JR 1745
-25Dec HI7/RO5D 1811/12 *

-01Jan II0XMAS 1810
01Jan-31Dec II6LN 1763
-Jul/13 J28UC 1734
-Aug/14 J28NC 1796
26Dec J3/K3LP 1811/12 *
25Dec J73/K3LP 1811/12 *
30Dec-04Jan JD1BMH 1811/12 *

-11Apr JX9JKA 1773/1807
29Dec-02Jan K1GI/VP9 1811/12 *
28Dec-01Jan K1VSJ/p 1811/12 *
18Dec-22Dec K3LP/KP4 1810
-Mar/13 K6H 1803
-2013 KG4AJ 1756
-Jun/13 KH2/N2NL 1680
-Mar/13 KH9/WA2YUN 1771
23Dec/28Dec KP2/K3LP 1811/12 *
long term KP2/NQ3X 1799/1803
29Dec-31Dec KP4/K3LP 1811/12 *
-31Dec LY12XMAS 1811/12 *
-31Dec LX75RL 1788
20Dec-22Dec N0D 1811/12 *

20Dec-02Feb OA4/PA3GFE 1811/12 *
Resident OD5RW 1799
-Apr/17 OG3077F 1789
-31Dec OH150VR 1772
Dec OH9SCL.. 1810
01Jan-31Dec ON65BR 1763
-31Dec ON85RCL 1790
01Dec-31Dec OP200HC.. 1808
-31Dec P3EU 1786
-01Jan PA12XMAS 1810
-28Dec PF35FRAG 1809
01Dec-28Dec PG100NOM 1807
-18Dec PJ2/PA0VDV 1809
-20Dec PQ125GBA 1808
-31Dec R20 1809
22Dec-17Feb RI1ANC 1810
-15Jan S505SLG 1803
-15Jan S512IAPMC 1803
-31Dec S555E.. 1772
15Dec-28Dec S79NEN 1810
18Dec-07Jan S79QT 1810
Dec SN15ZIP 1808
Resident ST2FT 1808
-21Dec SU/DJ5IW 1811/12 *

-Feb/13 T6LG 1795/1807
-Oct/13 T6MH 1806
-2014 T6T 1810
24Dec-06Jan T8CW 1811/12 *
-31Dec TC50TRAC.. 1770
-13Jan TG9/KF5LSG.. 1807
-2015? TJ3SN (?) 1806
-31Dec TM210VH 1770
-31Dec TM70TRS 1763
23Dec-29Dec V25A 1811/12 *
24Dec V4/K3LP 1811/12 *

-18Jan V5/DJ2BQ.. 1809
-Nov/14 V73NS 1604/1668/1752
Resident VK4FMAG 1807
Unknown VK8/OZ1AA 1809
21Dec-03Jan VP2MRV 1811/12 *
Unknown VP8CMH/mm.. 1804
Unknown VP8DFR 1803
-Mar/13? VU3BPZ/3.. 1800
20Dec-02Jan XE1/DJ4EL 1811/12 *
-May/14 XE1/DM3DL 1730
12Dec-04Jan XV0VR 1810
Resident XV4Y 1808
15Dec-15Jan YC9MLL 1810
14Nov- YI1IRQ 1807
Unknown Z88Z 1800
-Oct/13 ZD9KX 1795
-Aug/13 ZF2TK 1800
-2014 ZY2014WC 1774

* = new or updated
.. = and other calls

QSL information

4A0MAYA via XE3RCC
4J3DJ (d)
5C5W via EA5XX (d)
9Q6AL via DF9TA (B)
5P1KZX via 5P1KZX (bureau/direct/LoTW)
7P8ZM via JO1CRA (B)
8N119T (B)
8P9CC via G0KOK (B)
8Q7MS via eQSL
A6/DL9WVM via DL9WVM (B), (L)
A63HI via IZ8CLM (bureau/direct)
BH4REP (d), (L), eQSL
CK3B via VE3JPP (B)
C6ARU via N4UM
C6AVA via N6AWD (B)
E51E via EB7DX (L), (d)
ED4RCP via EA4EGA (B)
ED4T via EA4CWN (B), (L), eQSL
ED7D via EA7HEG (d)
EE7E via EA7RU (B)
EG5CTV via EA3RKR (B)
EH5RE via EB5AQB (B), (L), eQSL
EG5CTV via EA3RKR (d)
F8DYD/p via F8DYD (B)
FG4NO via F4AVX (B)
GB1WH via M0OXO (B)
GB4RN via G3LIK (B)

H40FN via HA8DD (d)
HB30OK via HB9OK (B)
HF0WOSP via SP2KFL
HF2012PLL via SQ8EP
HI3/M0GDX via M0GDX (B)
HI7/RO5D via RO5D
HT9H via TI4SU (d)
J3/K3LP via K3LP (B)
J68FF via W3FF (d)
J68UN via N7UN (L), (d)
J73/K3LP via K3LP (B)
JD1BMH via JG7PSJ (d), JD1BMH (B)
K1GI/VP9 via JG2BRI (d), (L), ClubLog (OQRS)
K1VSJ/p via K1VSJ (B)
KP2/K3LP via K3LP (B)
KP4/K3LP via K3LP (B)
LS1D via AC7DX (B)
LY12XMAS via LY2QT
N0D via KK5W (d)
OA4/PA3GFE via PA3GFE (B), (L)
ON800TUR via ON1CB (B)
OY3JE via M0URX (B, & OQRS), (L)
PD110MVV via PD3R (B)
PD35JKS via PD1JKS, (L), eQSL
PD35ssCS via PD2RKG (B)
PJ2/PA0VDV via PA0VDV (B)
PJ4NX via M0URX (B, & OQRS), (L)
PS0F via WD9DZV (B)
R20BIS via RU9WZ
R25MSB via RA9WJV
R60PRC via RW3FB (B)
S21B via KX7YT (B)
SN15ZIP via SP5ZIP
SU/DJ5IW via DJ5IW (B)
SX1912K via SZ2RCP (B)
SX9S via SV9AUE (B)
T6T via RW6HS (d)
T8CW via JH0IXE (B)
T88NC via XE1TNC (B)
UN7AB via DL8KAC (d)
V25A via KG2A (d)
V31NO via W3NO (L)
V4/K3LP via K3LP (B)
V63XG via JA1XGI (B)
VP2MRV via JA1HGY (B), (L)
VP2VGG via K6CLS (L), (d)
WX3MAS via W3OK (L), eQSL
XE1/DJ4EL via DJ4EL (B)
YI1RZ via IK2DUW (B)
Z6/S52DD via S52DD (d)

ZF2JS via N4BFR (B), (L)
ZF2MK via K9MK (B)
ZF2ZL via W8ERI
ZW8T via PS8HF (B)

(d) = only direct
(B) = bureau ok
(*) = new QSL manager
(L) = Logbook of the World (LoTW)
(r) = e-mail request

QSLs arrived direct: V31ME

QSLs arrived bureau: 4U1WRC, 9A202AA, 9Y4W (DL4MDO), CU3AN, D2SG, DB50EFA,
DL1630Y, DM100MGY, EN50UG, HB100FLP, IR1ITA, JA3BRI,
K3RA, K8CW, LZ1WARD, OE1A, OH2ZZ, PU1KGG, PY1FC, PY2PT,
R10DDX, R1941MB, RG50C, TF2MSN, VU2XO

QSLs arrived LoTW: NH8S (Swains Island)

Many thanks for contributing to this issue of the DXNL are going to:
Carl Smith (QRZ DX), 425DXNews, ICPO Bulletin, OPDX Bulletin, DH5NBK,
DF6EX (WIN-QSL), DJ4EL, DJ5AV, DJ9ZB, DL1SBF, DL7MAE, NG3K, PY5EG,
SU/DJ5IW, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX and others.

The German PDF version can be found on the DARC homepage at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxmb/archiv/2012/pdf

Subscribe or unsubscribe to the DXNL mailing list yourself at:
http://www.darc.de/referate/dx/bulls/dxnl

2592. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 19 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-20 03:54:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <485b397dd0f35174f004d140af97@google.com>
Source record: 1009
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators ready to tune in on 'doomsday' - Florida Today

Posted: 19 Dec 2012 10:42 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGJdHzRHaO_CACkOaPGGU_I8A9OYg&url=http://www.floridatoday.com/article/20121219/NEWS01/312190034/Ham-radio-operators-ready-tune-doomsday-

Ham radio operators ready to tune in on doomsday
Florida Today
Ham radio enthusiast will be on air on 12/21: Dan Fisher, an amateur radio enthusiast, will be looking to communicate with survivors if the world really does end Friday. By Craig Rubadoux and Tim Walters Posted Dec. 18, 2012 ...

and more

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My ham buddy, RAJIV GANDHI - The Hindu

Posted: 19 Dec 2012 03:36 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGMgT3Icoy44xWrsDQParEyhyMaaA&url=http://www.thehindu.com/life-and-style/metroplus/my-ham-buddy-rajiv-gandhi/article4217308.ece

The Hindu
My ham buddy, RAJIV GANDHI
The Hindu
During his visit to Chennai for Hamfest India 2012, Suri (VU2MY) recalled his friendship with Rajiv forged on ham frequencies and how the former Prime Minister pulled out all stops in an effort to promote amateur radio in the country. “Rajiv Gandhi ...

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Cobb commission orders man to remove his amateur radio towers - Marietta Daily Journal

Posted: 18 Dec 2012 09:45 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNF61EkH_42JovX403q4BDJ_XPk4Ig&url=http://www.mdjonline.com/view/full_story/21172171/article-Commission-orders-radio-towers-taken-down

Cobb commission orders man to remove his amateur radio towers
Marietta Daily Journal
Nesbitt responded by arguing that ham radio operators are licensed by the

Federal Communications Commission and therefore are exempt from local ordinances. But just to be safe, he applied for a special land permit for the 140-foot tower, which the ...

2593. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 51 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-20 07:36:53 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121220070850.0FA4D12332F2A@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1010
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 51 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-12-31
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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sad news;
DF5BN - Walter died 11.December 2012. Walter was a well known operator
and VHF/EME enthusiasts over many years R.I.P. Walter

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2013-03-01

DL0AT qrv from JO44HI
Aktivate the Lighthouse Westerhever with big power on the top on the lighthouse.
2x7 ele es 2x 9 ele with 2x 750 watts. FED: 260; LH 0063

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5W ; Samoa ; Square: AH36 ; start 2013-04-04

5W0M (AH36TN) on 144 MHz EME
A German team will activate Samoa from Le Lagoto on Savaii in the northern part of the

island from 80m thru 6m. The good news is that very experienced moon bouncer and DXpeditioner Joe DL9MS joined the group and will take care of EME operations on 144 MHz. 5W0M will be QRV from 4 April to 18 April 2013 however, for Central Europe the EME window will open onlyaround 8 April.

Source: http://5w0m.hkmann.de/?Home

** DXCC: OJ0 ; Market Isl. ; Square: JP90 ; start 2013-06-12

OH8K team plans to go OJ0 Market Island, June 12-16 2013.
Qrv on 2m EME and MS. Call is confirmed: OJ0C
Team Jukka OH8MSM, Sami OH9GDT and Jussi OH6ZZ More info later

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 3B9 ; Rodrigues Isl ; Square: MH10 ; start 2013-09-01

3B9EME will be qrv from Rodrigues Isl. (MH10qh) in september 2013.
After the success of the J52EME DXpedition by the Verona DX Team,
we are pleased to announce the activation of a new one for 2013.
We will be in 3B9, Rodrigues Island, for EME activity in 144 and 432 Mhz.
The period will be 1 to 9 September 2013. Flights and hotel are already booked.
We await the granting of the call 3B9EME, with the aid of the contacts of Rene PE1L,
which is, along with Atletico Team, our example for DXpedition activity.
Soon more news about equipment, antennas and QRG.
Best 73 from Lucio I3LDP, team leader Verona DX Team - ARI Verona

SOURCE: tnx to Lucio I3LDP direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2013-10-25

Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate Crete in Oktober 2013 on 2m EME.Call sign will
be SV9ANJ.Rig is as always TS2000, 2 x 9 ele M2 and BeKo SSPA with sufficient output power.
Location will Pelamare Apartments in Kokkini Hani, 13 kilometres East of Iraklion,
in the North of Crete. Website http://pelamare.webs.com/. Locator is KM25PH
We are very grateful for Pelamare Apts owner Manos SV9ANJ for supporting this DXpedition!

SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

... for your News (pse use: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php)
to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USERS of the
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF and as well by a lot of free usable

HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources (named as SOURCE at the NEWS) and chats
like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

2594. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 20 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-20 11:26:56 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044480599e966104d14701c4@google.com>
Source record: 1011
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Ham radio operators ready to tune in on 'doomsday'

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qGubMr2QD6s/ham_radio_operators_ready_to_tune_in_on_doomsday.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ham radio operators across the globe have a special channel set aside for communications to mark what will either be the end of civilization or a big galactic bust

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Radio ham ordered to remove towers

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jfamJn2bFb0/radio_ham_ordered_to_remove_towers.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cobb commission has ordered Ritner Nesbitt N4BNM to remove his amateur radio towers

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MQBd5yTk--g/december_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Even worse than last week. So sparse in fact that if Monday through Friday were all put together, it wouldn’t equal Saturday or Sunday

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WW Iron Ham Contest

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/eUaXQn2lg9s/ww_iron_ham_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Araucaria DX Group was inspired by the 'Ironman Thriatlon' races and introduces the WW Iron Ham Contest

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My ham buddy, Rajiv Gandi VU2RG

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_gwJCRH67UI/my_ham_buddy_rajiv_gandi_vu

2rg.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Shri Suri VU2MY, CEO, National Institute of Amateur Radio, recalls his friendship with the former Prime Minister forged on ham frequencies

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DIY electronic kit founder Entrepreneur of the Year

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yMlC7Q134vc/diy_electronic_kit_founder_entrepreneur_of_the_year.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Limor Fried started selling her DIY electronic kits at university and created a multi million dollar business Adafruit

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2012 Games - Ofcom sincerely grateful to Radio Amateurs

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/b02ReiJGTFo/2012_games_ofcom_sincerely_grateful_to_radio_amateurs.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Ofcom Olympic and Paralympic Games report briefly mentions Radio Amateurs

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700 MHz TV Band - 2018 release

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mwrDAeR_ljk/700_mhz_tv_band_2018_release.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ofcom's draft Annual Plan says they could release the 700 MHz TV band (for mobile services) as early as 2018

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IOTA news from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/QpEASKINhDc/december_20.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA News - compiled by Klaus, DL7UXG of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club

2595. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 20 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-20 17:14:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447890773189504d14bdd61@google.com>
Source record: 1012
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: High Speed, Low Power Data on UHF; Dynamic Modulation... from
the DCC

Posted: 19 Dec 2012 07:37 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372652-HamRadioNow-High-Speed-Low-Power-Data-on-UHF-D
ynamic-Modulation-from-the-DCC&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episodes 41 and 42 from the ARRL/TAPR DCC

Episode 41: Experimenting with High Speed

Wireless Networking in the 420 MHz Band

David Bern W2LNX looks into long distance, high-bandwidth digital signals
using

low-power, off-the-shelf data radios in the 420 MHz band. He uses digital
television to generate

the wideband signals, and a little lift from some Virginia mountains to
extend his line-of-sight.

How far do you think these few-hundred milliwatt radios worked to carry
several megabits per second?

HamRadioNow

Episode 42: On-line Alternation of

Modulation Techniques using a Dynamic Switch

Shashank Gaur and his masters degree classmates from Ecole Centrale
d'Electronique

in Paris are experimenting with ways to dynamically change digital
modulation modes to adapt

to changing conditions for maximum throughput, using USRP radios.

HamRadioNow

The ARRL/TAPR DCCis an annual, three-day conference featuring presentations
on a variety of

technical and operational aspects of Amateur Radio. This year's DCC, held in Atlanta last

September, had 16 of the 45-minute main presentations, the usual Saturday banquet talk,

and a four-hour "deep dive" into GNU radio on Sunday. HamRadioNow videotaped all the talks,

and we are now releasing them on-line. We'll continue with one or two a week until

you have them all.

Watch these episodes at our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

to support these programs, visit

HAMRADIONOW.tv

and 'click the pig'

2596. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 20 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-20 17:19:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d043c7d5e78836504d14bed7b@google.com>
Source record: 1013
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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AGB-PARTY-Contest-2012 = Dec 21, 2012

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 01:04 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372748-AGB-PARTY-Contest-2012-Dec-21-2012&goto=newpost

I invite you to take active or possible part in the forthcoming
AGB-PARTY-Contest-2012

which will be on Friday December 21, 2012 = 2100 - 2400 UTC.

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_party.htm

AGB-PARTY Contest

DATE: Therd Friday of Decemberr (21 Dec 2012) 2100 - 2400 UT

The object of the Contest: Licenced amateurs radio worldwide and SWL;

CONTEST CALL: CW - TEST AGB; SSB - CQ AGB CONTEST;

MODE: CW, SSB and Digital modes;

FREQUENCIES: CW (3510 - 3555); SSB (3700 - 3750) - recomende; Pilot
frequency (for Pile-Ups before Contest): CW-3540, SSB-3720

REPEAT: Each 15 minutes (12 periods) you can make CW-QSO and SSB-QSO with
every station.

Also you can make QSO Digital-Digital other modes.

There are periods :

2100 - 2114, 2115 - 2129, 2130 - 2144, 2145 - 2159,

2200 - 2214, 2215 - 2229, 2230 - 2244, 2245 - 2259,

2300 - 2314, 2315 - 2329, 2330 - 2344, 2345 - 2400,

ENTRY:

A ☐ Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB) ☐ AGB-member

B ☐ Single Operator CW ☐ AGB-member

C ☐ Single Operator SSB ☐ AGB-member

D ☐ Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB)

E ☐ Single Operator CW

F ☐ Single Operator SSB

G ☐ Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB) QRP (Max 10W)

H ☐ Multi Operator

I - SWL

J - Digital (RTTY, PSK, AMTOR, PACKTOR...)

K - ONE HOUR (Special for Contesters, who havn't Time - Health, some problems in Family, for take part in Contes ...)

This year there will be a special category, for calculation of the best result among participants from KDR club. - Woulf you like (KDR-members) to write your KDR-number in LOG.

EXCHANGE: No AGB member stations - RST + number of QSO (599-001);

AGB member station - RST + number QSO + AGB-number (599-001/60 or 599-001-A60);

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RULES:

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_party.htm

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SOFT ==========

Config files:

N6TR = Config for N6TR (TNX UA4LU)

http://www.qrz.ru/contest/attachment.phtml?soft=316

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_n6tr.zip

UA1AAF = Soft UA1AAF for AGB Contests

http://www.qrz.ru/contest/attachment.phtml?soft=315

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_ua1aaf.zip

TR4W = Config for TR4W of UR7QM

http://www.qrz.ru/contest/attachment.phtml?soft=262

http://tr4w.com/configurationfiles/agb_tr4w_config.zip

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_tr4w_config.zip

AGB-Party faily naxodiatcia v arxive VDU radijo kluba.

http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/fail-archyvas/ca.../14-n1mm-files

AGB-Party.udc

AGB-CallHistory.txt

Primecanie:

1. Eta Versija prednaznacena dlia ucastnikov : 'not AGB member'.

(cabillo log generiruetsia bez sent nr AGB, tolko sent poriadkovyj nomer qso)

2. AGB-Party.udc sleduet ispolzovat s poslednimi versijami N1MM

== TNX - Augis /LY4K/ ==

DIGI

from Les G4OGB

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/AGBRTTY.udc

Also I invite the contest "NEW YEAR'S SNOWBALLS" which traditionally passes in New Year's Eve - on January 1,

on range 80.

AGB-NYSB-2013 Contest

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nysb.htm

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nysb_rus.htm

TROPHY for Contesters:

AGB-TROPHY-PROGRAM

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w100c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w250c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w500c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w750c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w1000c.htm

I wish You New Year's holidays and Christmas!

See You in AGB Contests!

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Igor OK8EU-EU1EU

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Cambria Radio Club 2013 FREE VE Test and Meeting Dates Announced

Posted: 19 Dec 2012 12:11 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372678-Cambria-Radio-Club-2013-FREE-VE-Test-and-Meeting-Dates-Announced&goto=newpost

Please visit http://www.cambriaradio.com for the latest Club Meeting and
FREE VE Test Session Dates published on the main page.:cool:

At Cambria Radio Club, we do not send out yearly membership invoices nor is
there a fixed price membership fee to have fun... :rolleyes:

Please consider a contribution to the club if you have not already done so
for 2013.

;)

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!! H:eek: H:eek: H:eek:

Respectfully,

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Cambria Radio Club:confused:

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2013 ARRL Midwest Convention

Posted: 19 Dec 2012 01:46 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372634-2013-ARRL-Midwest-Convention&goto=newpost

We are pleased to announce the 2013 ARRL Midwest Convention to be held in
Lebanon, Missouri on November 8-9. For more information please contact K4SX.

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Annual AM Night on 1936 KHz.

Posted: 18 Dec 2012 08:22 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372614-Annual-AM-Night-on-1936-KHz&goto=newpost

The Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Association's weekly net on1936KHz at 9PM every Thursday will be hosting its annual AM Night on ThursdayDecember 27th.

AM stations running every vintage of AM equipment from retiredbroadcast rigs, classic boat anchor rigs and the latest software defined radiosare invited to join the activity on 1936KHz. On the Thursday followingChristmas. Net Control station NM4A at Union, Ky. will host theactivity which formally begins at 9PM ET.

Pre net activities will begin as early as 6 PM ET. All stationschecking in early will be logged in via Net Logger. You can monitor theactivity by going to www.netlogger.organddown loading the program and then looking for the GCARA AM Night log.

Certificates will be issued to all stations checking inas well as to stations in various classes of equipment.

This activity has usually attracts 70 + AM stations from allover the US operating a wide variety of heavy metal rigs as well as the latestin AM technology. All station operators are invited to join in on this annualgathering. Each operator will be asked to describe his or her station.

Join the fun on 160!

Posted by Net Manager Jay Adrick K8CJY

2597. eHam.net News for Thursday 20 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-20 23:25:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3043541e107ba004d1510cde@google.com>
Source record: 1014
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Reliving the 'Final Dash' to Mark Morse Code Anniversary:

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 12:25 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29534

A VERY special slice of local history unfolded to the tune of dots and dashes in the Bombala Post Office last Thursday, December 13. Here a fascinated group of locals gathered to watch a re-enactment of the final Morse code message ever sent in NSW. This last telegram was originally transmitted from the Sydney GPO in Martin Place to the Post Office in Bombala on December 13 of 1962, with this year representing the 50th anniversary of the milestone.

2598. Ohio/Penn DX Special Bulletin #1091.1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 00:22:29 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <119539.35776.bm@smtp107.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1015
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1091.1
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The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Special Bulletin No. 1091.1
BID: $OPDX.1091.1
December 20, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)
Relayed from Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, and OH2BH for the following DX information.

Press Release from the Santa Claus Post Office

December 20, 2012

<http://www.laplandfinland.com/In_English.iw3>

SANTA HITS THE RADIOWAVES THIS COMING WEEKEND

Temperatures have dropped down to minus 34.5C (-30.1F) in Lapland (OH9) while ever energized Santa Claus will have his final radio sessions from the Far North, using his own Santa path this weekend around 14.225 kHz (Europe and North America) and 21.295 kHz (Asia and Europe) to greet children and True Believers alike before taking his long journey to the world. Today Santa's office is busy sending out 150 operating awards often addressed to the children of radio families.

<www.qrz.com/db/OF9X>

Santa Radio OF9X is active this weekend but OH9SCL (Santa Claus Land) will stay on for a few more days after Christmas from the Far North of Lapland – the village of Lankojarvi, near Pello (Location 66.44N, 24.21E) with Kimmo, OH9MDV at the controls.

The members of Santa Team are here to wish everyone the very best of Season's Greetings for Christmas 2012.

SECRET OF CHRISTMAS

Santa Claus! It is quite a remarkable name. When hearing this name, everyone forms their own image of the white-bearded bringer of Christmas cheer. Although we all have our own image of Santa Claus that may greatly differ from others, one thing is certain: Santa Claus represents

Finnishness, warmth, joy and the magic of Christmas. But some secrets prevail this Christmas; for instance, that Santa is a ham, works DX, and lives under the largest antenna in the world.

Have you ever wondered how long Santa's beard is, or how the Northern Lights in Lapland, Finland are created? Did you know this about Santa in Lapland? There is a data archive maintained by Professor Elf that will answer all the questions you care to raise. Mrs. Santa Claus also wants to reveal some of her own secrets, so the Secret Recipe File is published as a cookbook telling you how to prepare delicious Yuletide delicacies. By the way, we bet not many people know that there is indeed a Mrs. Santa Claus. Did you know that?

The white-bearded Old Man and Mrs. Santa Claus have known each other from well before the first fells formed in the wilderness of Finnish Lapland. Mrs. Santa Claus also lives at Korvatunturi and her job is to keep the entire Korvatunturi neighborhood running while the Old Man and the elves concentrate on their own important tasks. Mrs. Santa Claus can also be met in the Municipality of Savukoski to which Korvatunturi belongs, where she has her own cabin.

The story is reaching its climax this coming weekend, before Christmas Day, when Mrs. Santa Claus is brought into the limelight upon her return from a short stint in the United States and her picture is posted here on this website. Her name will be made public for you to observe. This is "Breaking News" since no one knew that Santa has a Lady Friend. And what the heck was she doing in the United States just prior to Christmas?

So, be prepared, on Saturday and Sunday this weekend. Slightly above 14.225 kHz, tune in to the famous Santa Radio, OF9X and listen. It is only a few days to Christmas and the Santa magic is here. Ask the magic question: what is the exact name of Santa's Lady Friend and why was she in the U.S. this week?

** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:

http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

2599. HOT SEXY VIDEOS AND ROMANTIC BEAUTIFUL PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 01:28:40 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <1d01449b-af68-42ac-981d-42c990fe42b6@s10g2000pbg.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1016

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
HEROINE LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

for mopre hot videos
http://allvideosforyouth.blogspot.in/2010/08/super-hot-lip-kiss.html

jobs
http://alljobsaywhere.blogspot.in/

mobile

mobile games free download
http://mobileallinforation.blogspot.in

2600. N9OGL "I Was Here FIrst" Techno Remix on YouTube

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 02:40:48 UTC
From: Anonymous Coward <cmdr-vag@azzdot.org>
Message-ID: <kb0i7g$vl2$2@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1017
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Now the World's Funniest Illegal Channel 6 CB Radio Recording has its own techno remix:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3tMn5ZK00Bc

2601. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 20 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 03:26:43 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bf7165b3b5304d1546ac5@google.com>
Source record: 1018
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 12:05 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHjDLkQr7B08teP0s6qPgi43Bl9hg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/iota/2012/darc/december_20.htm

IOTA News from the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society are planning a trip to Umm Al Hatab Island from Dec 19-24. They will be active as A63HI on the HF bands. QSL via IZ8CLM. See also: http:/www.ears.ae. AS-031, JD, Chichi/Haha/Muko Islands: Harry,JG7PSJ ...

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Radio ham ordered to remove towers - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 12:40 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFVYs1V80s_a-ipwgzJmZHej9Se-w&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/radio_ham_ordered_to_remove_towers.htm

Radio ham ordered to remove towers
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
The Marietta Daily Journal reports the Cobb commission has ordered Ritner Nesbitt N4BNM to remove his amateur radio towers. Amateur radio operator Ritner Nesbitt N4BNM said he expected commissioners to rule against him. “Politics is politics, and I had ...

2602. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1845 - December 21 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 10:00:17 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121221100003.67A4D33C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1019
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1845 - December 21 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1845 with a release date of December 21, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. New Zealand approves a Digital amateur radio repeater to test compatibility with other radio services; the United States says no to a new I-T-U treaty to govern the Internet; the Dutch military wont give up 915 MHz for unlicensed short range devices; and a new eye on the sky down-under will warn of solar eruptions. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) report number 1845 coming your way right now.

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RADIO COMPATIBILITY: NEW ZEALAND ATV REPEATER TO TEST COMPATABILITY WITH COMMERCIAL BROADCASTING

In what may be a first anywhere world-wide, a New Zealand amateur radio service digital ATV repeater has been given a chance to test its compatibility with commercial broadcasters. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports from down-under:

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New Zealand Radio Spectrum Management or RSM has granted the first Digital Amateur TV License to NZART Branch 74, the Wellington VHF Group, for use at its main station located on Mount Belmont, in Wellington.

The main features of License 236831 are: Digital TV Channel 25 (DTV25); 502 MHz to 510 MHz; DVB-T format; 7.7 MHz emission bandwidth; 100 Watts mean effective isotropic radiated power and horizontal polarization

The license is valid for an initial period of 6 months, from 1st January 2013 to 30th June 2013.

The license permits DATV transmissions for the purpose of testing compatibility with services on the adjacent frequencies and requires the production of a comprehensive report to RSM.

The DTV25 channel is, in effect, the guard band between Communications services below 502 MHz and Digital TV Broadcasts above 510 MHz (DTV26 and above).

It is hoped that these tests will, once again, demonstrate the engineering capabilities of Radio Amateurs and lead the way to the granting of DATV licenses throughout New Zealand.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand.

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If the test proves successful it holds the potential of opening up a new concept in channel sharing between amateur radio and other telecommunications services. (ZL2BHF)

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RADIO LAW: FOLLOW-UP - US SAYS NO TO DUBAI INTERNET TREATY

A follow-up to last weeks story regarding that confrontational meeting in Dubai to discuss the future of the Internet. As the gathering drew to a close the United States joined 20 other counties in refusing to sign a treaty that they say will harm Internet freedom.

The final proposal was forged at an international communications conference that ended Friday, December 14th. A major problem of the treaty produced by the 193 nation International Telecommunications Union was its endorsement of greater control over the Internet by governments.

United States Ambassador Terry Kramer said that rejecting the treaty was an obvious direction for the U.S. delegation to take. He told the media that there were too many concerns that were problematic for the nation.

AS reported last week, one issue troubling the United States is language extending the treaty to Internet Service Providers and private network operators, as well as governments. The United States believes this would invite greater government control of the Internet. The same is true of provisions in the treaty to fight cybercrime. According to the U.S. delegation the broad powers designed to increase network security could too easily be abused by governments.

The chair of the World Conference on International Communications is Mohamed Nasser Al-Ghanim. He disagreed with the dissenting countries noting that their concerns are addressed in the text. Al-Ghanim said that special provisions were written into the treaty to say that content is excluded and that he Internet will continue to express freedom of thought as it has.

If the Dubai conference showed anything, it's that a major schism exists between the developed nations and much of the ITU over Internet issues. Some believe this could result in a second, more strictly regulated Internet emerging, although experts acknowledge that would be difficult to actually create.

The final version of the treaty goes into effect in 2015, but without the signatures of many of the Internet super powers, its effect is likely to be minimal at best. (Various Internet news sources)

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RESTERUCTURING: DUTCH MILITARY STILL INSIST ON 915 MHZ

With almost 42 CEPT nations reporting that 915 to 921 MHz is empty, or emptying, it is hoped the band will soon be made available for Short Range Devices or SRD's.

An article by Bill Ray in UK newspaper The Register implies that the Dutch military appear to be just about the only obstacle to 915 to 921 MHz being available for Short Range Devices use on a world-wide basis.

To date there has been no globally available license exempt spectrum for Short Range Devices available between 42 MHz and 2.4 GHz. In some countries such as the United Kingdom, spectrum at 433 to 435 MHz has been used as a stopgap move. However this has caused considerable interference to other existing licensed services. (UK Register, Southgate)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: NORTH KOREA SATELLITE ATTAINS ORBIT BUT NOBODY HAS HEARD IT TRANSMIT

North Korea appears to have successfully launched a satellite into space through the use of its Unha 3 satellite launcher, but may have lost control over the bird soon after it attained orbit.

As reported by several news outlets, according to U.S. officials, the satellite which was launched by North Korea on Wednesday, December 12th is now believed to tumbling out of control in an uncontrolled orbit and nobody is quite sure what the spacecraft's purpose or capabilities are.

North Korea lofted the spacecraft on the long-range rocket from its Sohae Satellite Launch Station on the nation's northwest coast. The launch was detected by United States missile warning systems. NORAD, the North American Aerospace Defense Command said the Unha-3 rocket's first stage fell into the Yellow Sea, while the second stage fell into the Philippine Sea. It went on to state that the missile deployed an object that appeared to achieve orbit.

According to the ITU the North Koreans have so far not specified the type or format of the data or video transmissions it plans to make through the satellite although said it expects the transmissions to continue for up to 2 years. Currently the only claim from North Korea is that the bird is transmitting music on either 470 or 479 MHz but so far no monitoring stations have reported hearing this new bird or its sound. Similar claims were made in 1998 for another North Korean orbital launch attempt that is believed to have failed. (Space.com and various news sources)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: END OF THE WORLD TRANSATLANTIC HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON PREMATURELY BURSTS

The transatlantic crossing attempt by an amateur radio balloon carrying an 18 MHz PSK beacon ended over the coast of Mississippi when the balloon prematurely burst.

The ham radio balloon called BLT-32 carried a PSK 31 transmitter on 18.100 MHz. It was due to be launched late Saturday, December 15th from near Sugarland, Texas with its destination aimed at Europe. According to reports it only made it a few hundred miles.

The South Texas Balloon Launch Team had joined the N0D End of the World Special Event with the launch its high altitude 'floater' balloon with hope of it reaching Europe before the End of the World took place as described in one Mayan calendar. And in keeping with the theme of the event the beacons and APRS tracker on the balloon were to use the N0D call sign. N0D meaning Now Zero-Days. And it was a case of Now Zero-Days for this ham radio balloon flight.

As reported last week a similar ham radio floater balloon launched by a group in Northern California dis make it across both the United States and the Atlantic Ocean before descending in Morocco. (Southgate)

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ENFORCEMENT: UK REGULATOR OFCOM SUPPORTS INVALIDATED EXAM

The United Kingdom's Radio Communications Foundation or RCF has announced that telecommunications regulator Ofcom has supported its decision to disallow an amateur radio examination in Northern Ireland.

According to a statement on the RCF, the Ofcom findings were that there is no hard evidence of wrong doing by the club or candidates but nevertheless the examination results were considered unsafe. Also that the suspension of the club concerned from running examinations was appropriate in the circumstances but it is now free to resume this activity.

The Radio Communications Foundation has offered a free re test to both of the candidates whose exam was invalidated. (Southgate)

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BREAK 1

Wishing you a truly great holiday season, from the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W4CN repeater of the Western Radio Transmitting Society serving Louisville, Kentucky.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $16000 FINE FOR OUT OF BAND OPERATION

Back in the USA, the FCC has affirmed a $16,000 fine issued to a radio amateur for his alleged operating on a frequency reserved for government use only. We have the details in this report:

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Recipient of the monetary forfeiture order is Joaquim Barbosa, N2KBJ, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, whom the FCC says operated a transmitter on the frequency 296.550 MHz without Commission authorization.

In his own defense Barbosa who holds an Extra class license, filed a response to the original Notice of Apparent Liability. In it he admitted to operating a radio transceiver on the frequency 296.550 MHz but contended that that cancellation or a substantial reduction of the then proposed $20,000 forfeiture is warranted nonetheless for several reasons. First that he reasonably believed that he had authority to operate on the frequency 296.550 MHz. Second, that his constitutional rights had been violated. Third that the unlicensed operation did not cause harm or interference. Forth that the forfeiture amount is not supported by case precedent and lastly that there are other factors such as his cooperation with the investigation, inability to pay, and prior history of overall compliance with the rules.

But the FCC bought only one of Barbosa's arguments. In issuing its final order it agreed that a reduction of the forfeiture amount was warranted based on its review of the record and finding that Barbosa, prior to this investigation, has a history of overall compliance with the Commission's rules. So after consideration of the entire record including Barbosa's response to the initial Notice of Apparent Liability that it was going to knock $4000 of the now affirmed fine and reduce it to the $16000 level.

For the amateur radio Newsline I'm Heather Embee, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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As this is now an affirmed fine, Barbosa was given only until close of business on December 31st to pay it or the case may be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for enforcement of the forfeiture pursuant to Section 504(a) of the Communications Act. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC REDUCES FINE ISSUED TO NY UNLICENSED BROADCASTER

The FCC has issued a Memorandum Opinion and Order that in part grants and in part denies a Petition for Reconsideration filed by Dexter Blake of Mt. Vernon, New York. This in regard to a $10,000 Forfeiture Order issued to him for willfully and repeatedly operating an unlicensed radio broadcast station.

On March 3, 2009, the Enforcement Bureau's New York Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Blake for operating an unlicensed broadcast station on the frequency 101.5 MHz in Mount Vernon, New York. Blake did not file a response to the proposed fine. As a result on July 22, 2010, the Enforcement Bureau issued a Forfeiture Order affirming the findings in the Notice of Apparent Liability and assessing the $10,000 forfeiture.

That apparently got Blake's attention after which he filed his petition for reconsideration. In it, Blake admits to having operated the unlicensed station, but claims that cancellation is warranted because the individual from whom he received the equipment did not advise him that he needed an FCC license. In addition, he requested a reduction or cancellation of the forfeiture based on his inability to pay.

Now, after what it calls a careful review the FCC issued its decision on December 13th. In it, the agency said that although Blake concedes operating an unlicensed radio station that it is a violation of Section of the 301 of the Communications Act. Therefore it declines to cancel the forfeiture on this basis. However it does agree with Blake that the $10,000 amount would constitute a financial hardship and as such has lowered the fine to $1700.

Blake was given 30 days to pay the reduced fine or the case may be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for further enforcement. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SAYS HAWAIIAN CABLE OPS MUST CARRY KLEI TV

The FCC says that two cable television stations in Hawaii must carry a particular station even though neither wants to. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has the rest of the story:

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The FCC has denied a request by Oceanic Time Warner Cable and Hawaiian Telcom Services Company asking that they not carry KLEI TV on their respective systems. The station, under new ownership since 2011, asked for carriage, but the operators said no so KLEI then filed a must-carry complaint.

In part, the FCC agreed with the cable operators that the station could not argue historical carriage as neither had been carrying the station before it was bought in 2011. That's when the new owners sought carriage or that it was delivering an over-the-air signal to any of the communities it sought cable carriage in. Those are two of the four tests for cable TV carriage.

But in this case the FCC took a different view. It said the absence of those two points was not sufficient to deny the station's request. The agency said that the unique characteristics of the Hawaiian market and KLEI's strong lineup of local programming of relevance to the

inhabitants of Hawaii County and to all Hawaiians. Also that it's foreign language programming targeted at special groups and residents, persuaded it to grant the carriage complaint.

Hawaiian Telcom Services Company had said that if it carried KLEI, it should not have to carry it on channel 6 in Honolulu. This is because it was already carrying station KBFD there. The FCC rejected that request as well. I t pointed out that it has clarified very recently that a digital station, generally speaking, is entitled to be carried on its former analog channel number. In this case KLEI was channel 6 and KBFD was 32.

I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW.

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At airtime its not known if either the Hawaiian Telcom Services Company or Oceanic Time Warner Cable plan to file an appeal. (FCC. B&C)

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THE BPL-PLT WAR: DARC TO HOLD STRATEGY MEETING ON DANGERS OF PLC / PLT

This note to our listeners in Germany. On Saturday, January 12, 2013 the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club will be sponsoring a one-day workshop dealing with the possible hazards to amateur radio from electromagnetic Powerline Transmission more commonly known in Europe as in-home P-L-T. The workshop slated for the DARC headquarters in Baunatal will cover all aspects of powerline Internet transmission and its likely effects on amateur radio operations. All DARC members wishing to attend are welcome. Interested parties are asked to pre-register by contacting Renate Stackebrandt by e-mail to r.stackebrandt (at) darc (dot) de. More is on line at tinyurl.com/GermanyDARC. (DARC, Southgate)

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HAM EDUCATION: W5KUB.COM TO CARRY D-STAT LIVE NETCAST

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, tells us that all systems a go for the next live W5KUB.COM worldwide Internet broadcast. On December 29th at1500 UTC Tom will be presenting the D-Star Live netcast that will feature many experts on the mode as a part of the show. Using Tom's interactive website you will be able to ask questions, and be a part of this program. Tom says that updates are available via his Facebook web page. Just join Facebook and then use the search task bar to locate the W5KUB Group page. Then just click to join. (W5KUB)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: SUPERSTITION HAMFEST RESCHEDULED TO FEBRUARY 19

Arizona's postponed Superstition Hamfest will now take place on Saturday, February 9th at Mesa Community College off of highway 60 in western Mesa, Arizona. The Superstition Amateur Radio Club, sponsor of

the event that usually takes place in December says that it appreciates everyone's patience and once again apologizes for the inconvenience the rescheduling has caused. For more information please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/superstion-hamfest. An updated information sheet may be downloaded from the site in PDF form. (WB7C)

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RADIO HAPPENINGS: SAQ VLF TRANSMISSION CHRISTMAS EVE

There will be a transmission from Sweden's famed Alexanderson 200 kilowatt Very Low Frequency alternator on Christmas Eve. The transmitter will be tuned up from around 07:30 UTC with the message itself transmitted on 17.2 kHz at exactly 08:00 UTC on Monday, December 24th.

The Alexanderson alternator is located at the Grimeton Radio SAQ transmitter site. If you copy the message you are asked to send QSN reports via e-mail to info (at) alexander (dot) n (dot) se. You can also mail reports via the S M bureau. More information on the Alexanderson alternator is on-line at www.alexander.n.se. (Southgate)

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RADIO HAPPENINGS: CRICKET CAM COMING DOWN-UNDER

FOX Sports reportedly will take broadcasting of cricket competition in Australia to a new level this summer. This with pictures to be broadcast from micro size cameras installed in helmets worn by batsmen and wicket keepers.

According to the WIA News, the equipment consists of a High Definition visor-mounted camera and transmitter with batteries on the rear strap. The additional weight on the helmet is only 250 grams, or about the weight of a bar of soap.

The can be fitted to any player's helmet during the game. Fox Sports believes it will be the first camera attached to a player during a Cricket match at this level. The technology is to be officially introduced in the Big Bash Twenty tournament.

For those unfamiliar with Cricket, it is a baseball like game played between two teams of 11 players. One team bats, trying to score as many runs as possible while the other team fields, trying to dismiss the batsmen and limit the runs scored by the batting team. The game is most popular in Australia, England, the Indian sub-continent, the West Indies and Southern Africa. (WIA News)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the

world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: RADIO PIONEER RAY BRIEM, N6FFT -S.K.

We seem to be using the words of the changing of the guard more often these days, and once again they seem most apropos. This with the word of the passing of broadcasting legend Ray Briem, N6FFT as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW:

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Anyone born or raised in the great American Southwest in the last half century likely knows the name Ray Briem. For some 30 of those years Briem who held the Amateur Service call letters N6FFT was called the host who owned overnight talk radio on Los Angeles station KABC A.M..

Born Leland R. Briem in Ogden, Utah, in 1930, Ray Briem first took to the radio airwaves at the age of fifteen. On August 14th, 1945 he was asked by a station manager to substitute for a staff announcer and with that his days in radio were off and running.

The highlight of Ray Briems career was when he came to KABC in 1967 where he held court over the nighttime hours until 1994. While he loved big band music and interviewed hundreds of celebrities his mainstay was talking with and to his listeners. And when he got involved in shortwave listening and then ham radio, several nights each year were devoted to talking about both of these topics. Frequent guests on those special shows included the late Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ, her husband Bob, W6VGQ and Lloyd Sigmon, W6LQ, who created the traffic alert system named in his honor known as the Sigalert.

After retiring from KABC, Ray Briem did a brief afternoon talk show on KIEV-AM. He received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and in 2008 was honored for his contributions to broadcast radio by the Pacific Pioneer Broadcasters organization.

On a personal note, unlike some celebrities with call signs, Ray was more than a name in an amateur radio database. He was often heard on the local ham radio airwaves and I myself had many contacts great with him through the Catalina Island repeater. As always, be it speaking to hundreds of thousands over KABC, or in a one on one contact via ham radio Ray Briem, N6FFT, was a true gentleman and a friendly voice in the night that will be missed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bruce Tennant. K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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For a truly beautiful retrospective about Ray Briem, N6FFT, and his career we suggest that you read the article by fellow broadcaster Doug McIntire that appeared in the Los Angeles Daily News. You can find it at tinyurl.com/la-daily-news-briem. (ARNewsline(tm); K6PZW, published news reports)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: NEW HUGE TELESCOPE TO WARN OF SOLAR STORMS

Astronomers say a new eye on the sky in Western Australia's remote outback could potentially save the world billions of dollars. This by warning of a pending cosmic catastrophe.

The International Center for Radio Astronomy Research in Perth reports that the new Murchison Widefield Array radio telescope will give a dramatically improved view of the sun. This in turn should provide an early warning of explosive solar storms that can damage to communication satellites, electric power grids and GPS navigation systems.

In addition to its solar observations, the Murchison Widefield Array will offer scientists an unprecedented view of the entire history of the universe, including how the very first stars and galaxies formed. (WIA)

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WORLDBEAT: ZIMBABWE THREATENS TO JAM SHORTWAVE BROADCASTS

The South African nation of Zimbabwe thinks it should jam shortwave broadcasts from outside that nation's borders. Newzimbabwe.com reports that at a recent Zanu PF party conference it was proposed to jam the signals of foreign-based radio stations such as Voiceof America's Studio 7, Radio Voice of the People and South West Radio Africa that ruling party officials accuse of pushing a Western-backed regime change agenda in Zimbabwe.

But critics say such a move would deny the majority of people access to important alternative sources of information to make informed decisions. They argue that President Robert Mugabe's party wants to continue its domination of the airwaves in order to maintain the status quo. But Zanu PF officials maintain these radio stations are breaking the Zimbabwe law and should be jammed. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/zimbabwe-jamming-threats. (Newzimbabwe)

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ON THE AIR: NEW SUPER LOW POWER 80 METER BEACON FROM ITALY

On the air, keep an ear open on 80 meters for a new QRP level propagation signal. The Irish Radio Transmitting Society reports that a new European low power beacon is transmitting on 3574.5 Kilohertz using only 300 milliwatts. The callsign is IZ3NYT with diagrams and pictures at iz3nyt.altervista.org/gallery. Text is in the Italian

language. QSN reports go to IZ3NYT using eQSL or direct. (IRTS)

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ON THE AIR: TC9SAM IN MEMORIAM OF THE ALLAHEKBER MARTYRS

If you contacted special event station TC9SAM between December 20th and the 24th you are being asked to QSL direct only. TC9SAM was to operate at the Turkish Scouting and Guiding Federation's National Conciousness Camp-In held in memoriam to the Allahuekber martyrs. The memorial is a traditional winter march to Allahuekber peak in eastern Turkey held in memory of the 60,000 patriots who were frozen to death while trying to reach the occupied Kars city in December of 1914. In accordance with the camp program operations of TC9SAM were mainly on 80 and 40 meter SSB. (TA1HZ)

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DX

In DX, members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club Frankfurt will be on the air from Vietnam from February 15th to the 26th. They will operate as XV2DLH and will be active on all of the High Frequency bands. QSL's go via DK8ZZ.

JR1IZM who also holds the call V31IZ will be operational as 7P8ZM from Lesotho through January of 2013. He will be active on all of the High Frequency bands. QSL via JO1CRA

F6ITD will be on the air stroke FG from Guadeloupe and two islands between next February 1st and March 25th. He will be using SSB and the Digital modes during his stay. Logs will be uploaded to both ClubLog and Logbook of the World. QSL via his home call either direct or via the bureau.

GM3YTS, GM4FDM, GM0GAV and GM3POI will be operational as T2GM from Tuvalu between March 12th and the 23rd with their activity will be focused on Europe. The group now has a Web page available at t2gm.org. QSL via GM4FDM.

K1GI will be active stroke VP9 from Bermuda between December 29th and January 2nd. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and the digital modes. QSL via JG2BRI, direct or electronically using Logbook of the World. No bureau cards will be accepted.

Lastly, AA9A will again be active from Antigua between February 11th and the 20th using a new callsign V24A. Operations should be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via his home callsign either direct or using the bureau.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CUBESAT DESIGNER INTERVIEWED ON SWEDISH RADIO

And finally this week, a Swedish radio show recently featured an interview with Hojun Song, DS1SBO, about his O-S-S-I CubeSat. The broadcast took place on Monday, November 26th and dealt with the Maker and Hacker movement that continues to take the world of home construction by storm. This included the item on DS1SBO, and the CubeSat that is to launch in April of 2013. Here Song discusses his philosophy in developing the OSSI bird:

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DS1SBO: ".The point of my project is to freeing all of the technologies that is used in the satellite."
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The entire program can be downloaded as an MP3 file at inyurl.com/ossi-cubesat-interview. While Song speaks in English the rest of the show is entirely in Swedish. The interview with DB1SBO begins at about 1 minute and 20 seconds into the show. (Southgate, audio clip from sverigesradio.se)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, wishing you a very Merry Christmas from all of us at the Amateur Radio Newsline. 73 and as always, and we thank you for listening.

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2603. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 21 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 11:37:27 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae93998932cac0404d15b457d@google.com>
Source record: 1020
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Santa hits the radiowaves this weekend

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/scIvxXD-mN8/santa_hits_the_radiowaves_this_weekend.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Temperatures have dropped down to minus 34.5C (-30.1F) in Lapland (OH9)
while the ever-energized Santa Claus will have his final radio sessions
from the Far North, using his own Santa path this weekend around 14.225 kHz
(Europe and North America) and 21.295 kHz (Asia and Europe) to greet
children and True Believers alike before taking his long journey to the
world

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5 MHz Christmas present - New 5 MHz NoV now available

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/kSNoTFg_nYA/5_mhz_christmas_present.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the recent statement from Ofcom which stated that additional
blocks of 5 MHz frequencies would be available from 1st January 2013, these
have been made available in a new NoV which can be accessed from the RSGB
website

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Radio Propagation 101

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4TQWvmEGEPE/radio_propagation_101.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Dan Vanevenhoven N9LVS gives you the basics of Radio
Propagation: including Sun Spots, Solar flux, K and A factors

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472-479 kHz in Switzerland

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/8ktInhid5dw/472_479%20khz_in_switzerland.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Swiss Regulator BAKOM says that from January 1, 2013 radio amateurs are
allowed to use the band 472-479 kHz with 5 Watts EIRP

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A Ham's Night Before Christmas HD

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/e-UBsehtD0s/a_hams_night_before_christmas_hd.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Gary KN4AQ's Christmas Classic, updated to HD video!

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX activity

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Former Ham Radio company Datong in the press

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EvnZMXGuq58/former_ham_radio_company_datong_in_the_press.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Former amateur radio manufacturer Datong Electronics has been mentioned in the UK press following a £7.5 million order win

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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FreeDV - Digital Voice Software for Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Z7DNfaChyRE/freedv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this video Jim Hartranft KB3ZGE demonstrates the FreeDV software, used for ham radio digital voice

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Special UK prefixes

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mmw5FvBEi4o/special_uk_prefixes.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

All UK radio amateurs will be able to apply to use the special V prefix, such as GV, MV and 2V starting July 5th, 2012, until the end of the month of July

2604. My 1st electronic website!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 16:55:45 UTC
From: Flipper City Phoenix <carrol69@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <d75ebd89-d63b-4957-86df-561b17ea7941@d2g2000pbd.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1021

I just put up my 1st website & i'm looking for any ideas or changes I should make. Its free to list & I plan on keeping it free!!!
Electronics related only.

I've been into electronics all my life from making pcb's & building synths as a teen, Selling parts at Ham conventions, Rebuilding tube radios, pinball/arcade repair service centers, midi synthesizers/ keyboards & guitar-amps.
Over time I've bought out ops, dealers, houses filled with antique electronics etc. & I have accumulated a mass of parts,boards, equipment etc.
I'm 54 yrs old now & its time to clean out!!!

A year ago I listed a bunch of redemption parts online auction & they took all my ads down because I
didnt know what exact game they went to & that really pissed me off!! & the petty charges kept adding up. So I said I'd like to have my own site. Now I can list items & let them ride. I thought why not let others list as well.

When theres enough people I'll add the AUCTION button!!!

IF YOUR BORED & WANT TO HELP GET THIS STARTED--LIST A BUNCH OF STUFF!!!

everybodyslist.com

Thanks for your time & MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!
Carrol
AKA Carl

2605. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 21 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 17:37:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399b3517d1d004d1604bc2@google.com>
Source record: 1022
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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SAQ Grimeton Sweden Christmas

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 10:47 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372800-SAQ-Grimeton-Sweden-Christmas&goto=newpost

Transmission on Christmas Eve 24 December

Plan for a traditional transmission on Christmas Eve Monday 24 December.
Plan to start the transmitter at 07:30 UTC and will be on air a few minutes
later. A message will be sent at 08:00 UTC. The frequency is 17.2 kHz CW.

http://www.alexander.n.se/startsida_e.htm

"The association Alexander preserves and shows the old ultralongwave
transmitter in Grimeton, the only one of its kind remaining in the world,
and still fit for operation!"

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Ham Radio Deluxe v6.0 Holiday Preview/Beta 2 Announcement

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 09:38 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372789-Ham-Radio-Deluxe-v6-0-Holiday-Preview-Beta-2-A
nnouncement&goto=newpost

HRD Software, LLC announces the release of Ham Radio Deluxe 6.0 Holiday
Preview/Beta 2 for our paid userbase. Key to paid users were sent out
today.

Mike Carper, WA9PIE, said, ☐We decided to go ahead and let the paid users
have an advance copy of the software. While some of the features are
incomplete, the majority of the major features hams have asked for are in
this release. Rick, W4PC, and Erik, KC0WWC, have been focusing on the code
and the beta sites have helped us get to this point. This has been an
enormous job, as the HRD suite has over 1,000,000 lines of code. With over
35,000 minor bug fixes and over 1,500 major bug fixes, the 5.X code-set was
the launch point for 6.0 and this allowed us to have a solid base for
adding new features.☐

The Holiday Preview/Beta 2 will be release to the paid users the evening of
December 20th, 2012, providing no major issues will occur.

Rick Ruhl, W4PC, said, ☐So many in the user-base want to use some of the
new features, we felt it was time to let them have at it. Microsoft has
had great success with their preview programs that we followed suit.

While we□re nowhere as big as Microsoft, (even though we are always compared with them!), we□re doing our best to provide a solid product. And if a paid user doesn□t want to download the Preview, they can stick with 5.24.38 until the full release. We know the software has open issues and some things are not complete, but a list of those will be on the website at http://ham-radio-deluxe.com□

Support for the Holiday Preview/Beta 2 will be in a special category in the support forums. Support for the beta will be provided via the HRD forums, as many hams may run into the same issues and the solutions will be discussed in the forum. HRD will also provide email and support tickets for the 6.0 Preview/Beta 2. We will be closely monitoring the forums for any major issues and will be resolving those quickly.

Version 6.x will has many new features including FSK support, a new QSL and awards tracking interface, improved cluster filters, label printing, and the Super Sweeper RTTY and PSK in Digital Master. Super Sweeper will allow multiple signals to be decoded in a single window.

Previews for Version 6.x are also provided on our YouTube channel:

http://www.youtube.com/hrdsoftware

You can purchase and download the product at
http://www.ham-radio-deluxe.com.

HRD Forum: http://forums.hrdsoftwarellc.com

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Follow up: Ritner Nesbitt must remove 3 of 4 ham towers

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 08:43 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372786-Follow-up-Ritner-Nesbitt-must-remove-3-of-4-ham-towers&goto=newpost

As expected, the Cobb county commission tells a metro Atlanta ham that 3 of his 4 towers which were not properly permitted must be taken down. Read more here:

http://www.mdjonline.com/view/full_s...radio-towers-?

2606. WIANEWS for WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 23 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 20:18:51 UTC
From: vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
Message-ID: <cf9313e2-c0ee-4600-9350-5f9236b38518@smxsrv01.vintek.net>
Source record: 1023
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Weekly news from the WIA:
MP3 edition of news available at: http://www.wia-files.com/podcast/wianews-2012-12-23.mp3
Text edition:

WIANEWS - DECEMBER 23 - VK NATIONAL NEWS

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http://www.wia.org.au (click news in member area) Submit your audio news

TWITTER http://twitter.com/VK1WIA

Please... If you are only submitting text and not audio, write your story as
you would expect to hear it being read back and NEVER send just links &
url's.

WIANEWS WEEK COMMENCING DECEMBER 23 2012.

WIA Presidents Christmas broadcast

WIA Director Trent VK4TS with Awards and Contests

WIA HELPS OUT WITH VI4ASJ

THESE STORIES AND MORE IN THIS EDITION OF NEWS FROM THE WIRELESS INSTITUTE
OF AUSTRALIA FOR WEEK COMMENCING DEC 23 2012.

WIA Presidents Christmas broadcast

In this Christmas broadcast it's customary for the WIA President to thank all
the staff at the WIA office and the very many volunteers who have done so
much work during the year to keep the wheels turning.

This has been a particularly difficult year for the WIA with the untimely
passing of our late president Michael Owen VK3KI, but with a lot of hard work
and dedication from everyone involved we have come through this transitional
period in great shape.

I would like to recap some of the achievements of this past year, and in the
first broadcast next year I will tell you about some new initiatives that we
hope to achieve during 2013.

The ITU, the IARU, and the ACMA are where the rubber really hits the road in the WIA's advocacy role for Amateur Radio. They are difficult, time consuming, and expensive, and often go unnoticed by members, but they are the most important work the WIA does for amateur radio, and all radio amateurs, worldwide, benefit.

ITU Working Group 5 looks after amateur radio issues, and this year Dale Hughes (VK1DSH) attended an important working group meeting in Geneva. Among other things, that working group investigated the feasibility of a new Amateur secondary allocation at 5.3MHz. Dales work was long and arduous, sitting in endless meetings and negotiating with various countries representatives, but he must have made an impression because he has been asked to act as chair of the ITU sub committee looking after the 5.3MHz issue.

Slightly closer to home, Geoff Atkinson (VK3TL) and Peter Young (VK3MV) represented the WIA at the IARU Region 3 Conference in Vietnam. The Region 3 conference is a further opportunity to strengthen relationships between IARU member countries, in particular, this year sharing experiences with emergency communications. What is obvious from this meeting is the burgeoning expansion of amateur radio in some Asian nations, especially China and Indonesia.

Back home, the WIA was successful in its lobbying of the ACMA for a high power trial. To date some 230 radio amateurs have participated in the 1kW trial. The WIA is working very closely with the ACMA on the Assessing the results of the high power trial, with particular emphasis on interference and EMR issues.

By the way, those radio amateurs participating in the high power trial need to listen out carefully for important information to be released shortly.

There many other areas where the WIA is working closely with the ACMA to improve the operating privileges for radio amateurs, for instance the WIA has drafted changes to the Amateur regulations (the LCD) to introduce a new (secondary) band allocation at 472 to 479 kHz, and work continues on many other issues.

Particular thanks to Peter Young VK3MV for his work with the ACMA.

For most people Amateur radio is about operating. During 2012 the Awards Group was reformed and there is now a good flow of new Awards applications, and they are all being processed quickly.

The contest group introduced a new format for the RD Contest - a log checker has been created, and that is a great step forward for volunteers as it saves a massive amount of time cross checking logs. In the past only random spot checking was practical however, now, all contacts in a log are properly checked.

The National Inwards QSL Bureau has had another busy year, sorting cards from all corners of the globe, for distribution to the State Bureaus for on forwarding to WIA Members as expeditiously as possible.

Members in NSW will have been watching the tower issue unfold on the WIA website and in this broadcast. Roger Harrison VK2ZRH has been assisting the

WIA to put the strongest possible case to the NSW Government for a relaxation of the quite rigid planning restrictions which apply to antenna masts and towers in that State. This work is continuing and further action is planned for the New Year.

All members would appreciate the improvement in quality of AR magazine. The publications committee has done an excellent job of producing a fine journal, as has the WIA Broadcast group in their tireless effort in putting this WIA broadcast together, week after week.

Earlier this week we announced the results of the 2012 Club Grants Scheme. Congratulations to all those successful applicants, and our thanks go to the Club Grants Committee.

We can't forget the volunteers that support the training of prospective radio amateurs, and the WIA's RTO Fred Swainston. Without their massive contribution there would be no new radio amateurs to carry the hobby forward.

And I've only touched the surface. Volunteers also serve on our technical and advisory committees, our bookshop and our library and archive, the affiliated clubs insurance scheme, not to forget our long suffering webmaster.

So, I have highlighted just a few of the year's achievements. It's been a busy year but a sad one with the passing of Michael Owen. The Next Year is looking to be even busier, so in the next broadcast I'll tell you something about the changes your WIA Board plans to introduce.

Until then, have a very happy and safe Christmas, look after yourselves - we need you all fit and well and on-air for the New Year.

And once again, from your WIA Board, thanks to the WIA office staff and all the volunteers who have achieved so much in the past year.

This is Phil Wait, VK2ASD for the WIA

YOU WANT SPAM WITH THAT?

The ACMA has given McDonald's Australia Limited a formal warning under the Spam Act about a 'send to friends' facility on the McDonald's Happy Meal website.

An ACMA investigation found emails sent using the 'send to friends' facility (which promoted games and activities) were sent to friends of users without ensuring the friends' consent. The messages also did not have an unsubscribe facility, as required by the Spam Act.

(wia/acma)

Queensland's Newman Government has taken another step towards improved internal telecommunications, shortlisting three parties to develop the Government Wireless Network.

Treasurer and Minister for Trade Tim Nicholls said Projects Queensland had received five expressions of interest from parties wanting to take

part in the project, with three chosen for the next phase of the procurement process.

The three shortlisted parties are:

Broadcast Australia Infrastructure Holdings (including Airwave Solutions and Leighton Communications)

Telstra (including Motorola Solutions Australia)

Queensland Wireless Network Consortium (including Harris Corporation, CSC and Brookfield Infrastructure)

The primary objective of the Government Wireless Network is to deliver an enhanced digital radio voice and narrowband data communications network for Queensland's public safety agencies.

The Queensland Government is planning to select its preferred proponent midway through 2013, with the first stage to be completed in time for the G20 leaders' summit in 2014.

(wia/Media Contact: Treasurer's office 3224 6900)

Anniversary of last Morse code telegram

On December the 13th, 1962, the last telegram and its reply were sent by Morse code in New South Wales.

In a 50th anniversary re-enactment, former Telegraph Operator Phil McGrath travelled to Bombala to send and receive souvenir telegrams to mark the occasion.

At the time, Mr McGrath sat at the sounding box and typewriter and received what was originally meant to be that all important final message.

It read: 'This telegram from Sydney to Bombala is the last message which will be sent by morse in NSW, concluding 104 years of operations. Henceforth telegrams to and from Bombala like all other offices in this state will be transmitted through the teleprinter perforator switching system (TRESS).'

Not to be outdone, Bombala's then postmaster Stan Blyton, sent a 50 word reply that read:

'My privilege personally transmit last message from last morse station NSW. Key being forwarded you relic was in use Nimmitabel 1919 where I joined service remained there in use till station closed 1960. Behalf old telegraphist and morse operators we bow to progress.'

The TRESS system, based on the teleprinter, lasted until October 1933 when it ceased its text messages, first giving away to individually owned Telex machines and then the internet email.

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

UNIVERSITY

Hi, this is Ed from the Central Coast ARC.

This great hobby of ours has several facets, one of which is contesting. Have you ever been interested in getting involved in contesting and not know where to start? All those special routines and rules and how can I actually get through that pile-up and work the station?
Well, these are the questions I asked as well and part of the reason that I am helping to organise a mini contest university at the Wyong field day.

The Dayton contest university has been going several years and is world renowned and very kindly Tim K3LR from that event has supplied me with all the material from last year's event and said go ahead and use what you wish.

What we're doing is a short one day university on the day before the field day so on the 23rd. of February 2013. This will cover an introduction to contesting, what to do, what not to do, how to use logging programs - the basics if you like.

I think this will be very valuable to a lot of people who are sat on the sidelines at the moment thinking "I'd like to be into contesting but all these other guys know better and do better than I do". IT DOESN'T MATTER! Just take part - it's the fun of it.

As you know the Wyong field day is the largest gathering of radio amateurs in the Southern Hemisphere, so why not make a weekend of it?

Come for the Mini Contest University on the Saturday and stay for the field day on the Sunday.

For accommodation the website lists local hotels and motels, some of which give discounts to field day attendees, also on the website you'll find links to lots of attractions on the Central Coast for any member of your family who isn't interested in Amateur Radio.

Please register if you are coming to the (free) mini contest university as capacity is limited. You'll find details of how to register also on the website which is fieldday.org.au

73, Good DX and see you at Wyong! This is Ed VK2JI.

Wyong Contest University http://www.ccarc.org.au/wp/

WIA AGM

Have you prepared for the last weekend in May; the 2013 WIA AGM and Conference?

If you've built a new gadget, written some software, engaged in research or achieved something, we'd like to hear from you. Tell us about your successes and your failures. Register your topic now and use the opportunity to connect with other Amateurs who share your passion and excitement.

The 2013 WIA AGM and Conference, it's all about Engaging, Learning, Appreciating, Socializing and Discovering.

You'll find all the information online at the VK6 conference site, conference.vk6.net

WIA HELPS OUT WITH VI4ASJ

In advice received from WIA Director, Bob Bristow, VK6POP, the Wireless Institute of Australia is sponsoring the VI4ASJ activity by supplying access to the QSL Bureau. This is a great boost to the amateur radio activity and the WIA logo will be proudly displayed along with the AJ2013 logo on the QSL card.

While the majority of us will be looking forward to a rest break, the volunteers preparing for the National Scout Jamboree, on the Fraser Coast will be juggling their time and family engagements. Getting the site ready for the first contingents is the priority as the hot weather engulfs the east coast of the continent. Members of the Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group are organising a formal roster, now that names are in. Equipment is being organised and readied for use and transport to the Jamboree site.

For amateurs attending AJ2013, the frequency for Echo/IRLP access will be 145.400MHz.

Peter, VK3AJ, is towing the trailer equipped with 2m and 70cm repeaters, from Melbourne to Maryborough, Queensland, about 2.5 thousand Kms by road. With the two operating positions, plus the JAM-FM low power broadcast station, the Main Hall area is going to be really "radioactive". Set up of the amateur equipment is pencilled in for 29th January to coincide with Peter's arrival.

The VI4ASJ operation is funded by the AJ2013 organising committee and supported by Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group, Inc., Sponsors for the station are Icom Australia who has donated an IC-718 as the main HF part of the station and now our own WIA.

The Jamboree runs from 2nd January to 12th and these are the days during which you can contact VI4ASJ.

Reporting for WIA National News, I'm Geoff Emery from MERG, Inc.

EDUCATION YOUTH AND ADVANCEMENT OF AMATEUR RADIO
www.hamcollege.com.au

Radio & Electronics School Releases Foundation training on any Android portable device

A few months ago the Radio & Electronics School posted a free Foundation Course on YouTube. That foundation course has proved to be very popular.

Ron VK2DQ from the School looked into the Google Analytics and was surprised to find that more than 60% of users of the course are doing so from portable devices.

"Perhaps we should make Foundation training application for Smartphone" Ron thought.

Well the people at RES have done it. There is now an Android application for the foundation licence. It's free!

Just go to Google Play Store at "play.google.com" and search for Radio & Electronics School.

You can download the application directly to your phone, tablet or other portable device. The course is in the same Video format as the well known Standard Course.

"We think this might be popular with young people and in particular for JOTA" Ron VK2DQ said, "We only released the application a few days ago and already there have been over 100 installs.

RES recommends that you use this application in conjunction with the publication "Your Entry Into Amateur Radio available through radio clubs and the WIA.

EMDRC Christmas Foundation Course

The Eastern and Mountain District Radio Club will once again be running its special Christmas Foundation course.
The course will be run on Thursday the 27th of December with the assessments taking place on the morning of Friday the 28th of December

The course will be held at our EMDRC Clubrooms located at 13a McCubbin Street Burwood, for those not familiar with the area, its location is very close to the RSPCA on Burwood Highway, ideal if you plan on coming by public transport. If you are coming by car, there is plenty of parking available onsite.
To arrive at the clubrooms, simply drive west down McCubbin street and look for the lane way on your left hand side, you will find the clubrooms (Scout Hall) at the bottom of the lane way.

The course instructors will be myself Robert Broomhead VK3DN and Damian Ayers VK3KQ.
The Sunday morning the assessments will be run by myself with Keith VK3FT and assistance from other assessors..

Further details on the EMDRC club website http://www.emdrc.com.au

INTERNATIONAL NEWS With thanks to IARU, RSGB, SARL, Southgate AR Club, ARRL, Amateur Radio Newsline, NZART, ARVictoria and the WW sources of the WIA.

In ZL Land a recent membership promotion has been a great success.

A total of some 3,000 letters were posted to all those who were not presently members of the Association, some 236 amateurs have now taken the opportunity to join with this special promotional offer. Of those, 115 are newcomers to the Association, with 121 re-joining the NZART after a lapsed period.

The Canadian federal telecom regulator is aiming to close potentially dangerous technological gaps in Canada's 911 services.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission has taken the first step in modernizing an emergency system that was created before mobile phones were invented.

The announcement comes as Canadians increasingly rely on cell phones - 10 per cent of households had gone "wireless only" by 2010, a trend that is expected to continue.

National commissioner Tim Denton, who has been appointed to lead the review and present preliminary findings in May, faces the daunting task of forecasting the future of an industry that changes faster than many companies can predict.

But he will also have to deal with the effects of Canada's digital divide: Large swaths of the Far North and Newfoundland and Labrador still don't have access to basic 911 services.

Among those that do have access, more and more people are turning to social media sites, such as Twitter, to seek emergency help.

Explosion at Derna (Libya) radio station, police attacked on arrival

Derna local radio was hit by an explosion in the early hours of Monday morning last, with the blast also damaging the office of a local television station situated nearby.

The assailants subsequently launched an attack on the town's police chief, Colonel Mofed Abd Al-Hafid, along with a colleague once they arrived at the scene. The police officers came under fire but escaped uninjured.

A Derna resident informed the Libya Herald by telephone that radio and television broadcasts had been stopped as a result of the incident.

The attackers, whose motive and identity remain unknown, succeeded in escaping the scene.

Barcode inventor dies

Norman Woodland who co-created the barcode using Morse code, has died at his New Jersey home at the age of 91.

He worked with university classmate Bernard Silver to create the now ubiquitous thick-and-thin-line system in the 1940s.

The BBC reports that the system was patented in the US in 1952, a patent that was later sold for just $15,000.

Barcodes Inc. report that Norman Woodland used the Morse code to create the barcode when he "just extended the dots and dashes downward and made narrow lines and wide lines out of them."

Global amateur radio fest begins

Peninsular News reports the Qatar Amateur Radio Society are hosting the event for the first time in the Middle East.

Hundreds of officials of various amateur radio societies around the world as well as secondary students and boy scouts from Qatar are attending.

Among those attending is AMSAT-DL President Peter Guelzow DB2OS who gave a presentation about the AMSAT P3E and P5 missions.

The callsign assigned for the event is A71QND (Qatar's National Day).

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NEWS FROM ARNEWSLINE USA

APRS BALLOON LAUNCHED IN CALIFORNIA LANDS IN MOROCCO

A group of high altitude balloon experimenters have achieved a milestone. This with confirmation that their K6RPT-12 APRS equipped high altitude balloon has successfully crossed the Atlantic and landed in Morocco. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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Amateur radio stations from the United Kingdom to the Azores had been listening for the transatlantic balloon signing K6RPT-12 on 144.390 MHz FM. This after it was lofted skyward from California at about 0126 UTC on Monday, December 3rd.

The balloon was launched by the California Near Space Project team with the intent of it crossing the Atlantic heading for the British Isles. When it left the USA it was traveling at over 185 an hour but was believed to have slowed down in its over-water trek to as little as 55 miles an hour. Knowing this, the payload was designed for over 60 hours of flight. It also included a heating system for its 144.390 MHz FM transmitter developed by Jonathan Corgan, AE6HO, to prevent it freezing during overnight flight. This was because the bitterly cold night temperatures at that altitude have caused the transmitters on several amateur radio balloons to fail.

After its journey across the Atlantic its APRS signals were first picked up by stations in Spain. It was last heard at 09:22:31 UTC on December 5th descending rapidly, indicating that the balloon had finally burst. Its last recorded position was 34°25.75' North and 3°58.96' West placing it in the Taza Provence of Morocco

North-North East of Tazekka National Park.

It is believed there are less than 150 radio
amateurs in Morocco and no known APRS stations.
As such the balloon and its payload may never be recovered.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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It should be noted that the amateur radio APRS
frequency is not standardized world-wide. The
United States uses 144.390 MHz while the British
Isles and Europe use 144.800 MHz. To see the See
the K6RPT-12 APRS reported flight track please
take your web browser to tinyurl.com/k6rpt-12 on
the World-Wide-Web.

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OPERATIONAL NEWS - DATELINE 2013

Here in VK it's time for the WIA Summer VHF UHF Field days, and
in ZL in Feb it's their annual Jock White Memorial Field Day Contest
Sat and Sun Feb 23 and 24.

NOW IN SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS, DX and BEACON AND NET ADVICE
FURTHER ON OUR SUMMER FIELD DAY AND THE UNIVERSITY AT WYONG.

Wyong Contest University http://www.ccarc.org.au/wp/

Greetings this is Trent VK4TS the WIA Director for Awards and Contests

At the upcoming 2013 Wyong Field Day a new addition to the programme has
taken shape in the form of the Mini Contest University. This has taken its
format from the very successful programmes conducted by Tim K3LR

The MCU will be a day long affair on the Saturday prior to the Gosford Field
day and will conclude with an evening meal at a local eating house.

This is an opportunity for contesters Australia wide to catch up and also
offers a great opportunity for new contesters to learn from the more
experienced.

I will be presenting at the seminar and I am sure there are many that would
like to find out about the workings of WIA contests

Look forward to seeing you there - but a reminder that bookings are essential

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Summer VHF UHF Contests - this year the Ross Hull looks to be a great affair
- sunspots are up and down but expect some 6M fireworks in January and for
proponents of distance based scoring in contests here is your chance to prove
you like the distance format-

Both the Ross Hull and the Summer Field day make January a great month for the active contest operator

XV 0 VR Vietnam until 4 January.
Cat Ba Island (AS-132) from 18 - 20 December
Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) from 30 December - 2 January.
QSLs go via his home call DD0VR

Lastly, several sources are reporting that a team of 10 operators will be active from Robinson Crusoe Island during mid-2013. It was also mentioned that this is the same group who activated D64K earlier this year. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE F-TROOP

What use is an F-call?

Amateur Radio is a social experience, an activity that invites and thrives on communication. As a participant in the hobby, either recent or long standing, there are many amateurs around who share your interests and can participate with you in your exploration of what amateur radio means to you.

These people who share your experiences are your own little amateur community and while it's safe to stay with those, you might consider that the hobby is a gateway into a wide range of experiences and disciplines, so your little view on the world is likely to benefit from interacting with new people.

As is common in our society, this time of year is traditionally used for reflection and in my learning about Amateur Radio, I'm using this time to reflect on the things I've learnt and the people I've met over the past 12 months. I have started with Morse, done some serious contesting, met a whole host of Amateurs from around the country, built a magnetic loop antenna, built my first electronics kit, learnt about software defined radio, started learning about transmission lines, remembered to enjoy myself and helped with all manner of club activities throughout the year.

The thing I remember most is spending time with other Amateurs and sharing the twinkle in their eye as they tell about their endeavours and contraptions.

What do you reflect on in Amateur Radio?

I'm Onno VK6FLAB

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- ILLW

ILLW attracts more entries

The leading countries in the next International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend are Germany on 28 registrations, Australia with 27, followed by the USA and England.

A total of 110 registrations have been received so far from 26 countries, spanning the globe from Argentina to Wales.

Each of them will help promote public awareness of the former guiding lights for those at sea, promote amateur radio and foster International goodwill.

To find out more about this truly fun weekend or register for August the 17th and 18th, visit the website at www.illw.net

(Jim Linton VK3PC)

WW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS --- RESCUE RADIO
IARU REGION 3
Emergency Centre of Activity (CoA) frequencies
3.600, 7.110, 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz

Wednesday December 26th 2012
YMCA Murray Marathon
Yarrawonga to Swan Hill
Contact: Gerard Werner VK3GER phone: 03 9773 6313
Email: gerwer01@gmail.com

Saturday February 23rd 2013
Pajero Rally
Woods point area
Contact: Dirk Versluys VK3FPAJ phone: 03 9879 8384
Email: versluys@optusnet.com.au

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - VHF AND ABOVE

First contact between CT1DMK and VK3UM on 432.010 MHz

First contact between Doug MCArthur, VK3UM and Luis Cupido, CT1DMK via Moon bounce Communications on 432.010 MHz CW, was recorded on December 6.

The telegraphic message - VK3UM, CT1DMK 559/559 "loud and clear" - could be received by those stations equipped for EME on 432 MHz.

This communication achieved by 2 serious radio operators who invested a lot on Ham radio stations both in terms of perseverance and technical achievement. They inspire an entire generation and make our dreams possible with some work and preparation.

Luis Cupido, CT1DMK, is in fact a wonderful paradigm of technical know how for many of us. He has already a few interesting distance records to encourage a number of colleagues, like the world DX record of ever, while receiving one of the deep space spacecraft's, Voyager 1, at about 14698 million Km (3 times further away than Pluto) on April 4, 2006

Recently some of his contacts with us "down under" had a tremendous impact on those working moon bounce in this small corner of the world:

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS - LOW DOWN

SAQ VLF Transmission Christmas Eve

There will be an annual transmission with the Alexanderson 200 kW alternator on VLF 17.2 kHz from Grimeton Radio/SAQ on Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24.

The message transmission will take place at 08:00 UTC.

The transmitter will be tuned up from around 07:30 UTC.

QSL-reports are kindly received:

- E-mail to: info@alexander.n.se
- or fax to: +46-340-674195
- or via: SM bureau
- or direct by mail to:
Alexander - Grimeton Veteranradios Vaenner,
Radiostationen, Grimeton 72
S-432 98 GRIMETON Sweden

Web: http://www.alexander.n.se/

(TEXT EDITION ONLY)

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NEW WIA NEWS BROADCAST FEEDBACK

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The following person has provided feedback

David : VK5LSB

Feedback :

VK5LSB would like to wish everyone a happy and safe xmas accross Australia
and the world.

Xmas cheers goes out to all the contacts and friends that I have made through
2012 73 David Vk5LSB

Submitting news items

If you would like to submit news items for inclusion in the
VK1WIA broadcasts, please email your item in text to nationalnews@wia.org.au

to submit audio read "how to submit items" in the weekly news page on
wia.org.au

Remember the sooner you submit material the more the likelihood of it being
broadcast in the very next edition of WIA National News. Each item will only
be broadcast once, if you want a couple of mentions, please submit different
slants to keep your event 'fresh 'and always if the news room is to read your
item write in the 3rd person.

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Call-backs follow the RF editions, but also for text readers you may
lodge a quick reply to let us know you read it, who knows, you might
even get a "cheerio call".

Thanks to our dedicated band of broadcast volunteers who utilize
their time and equipment in bringing you this weekly broadcast.

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active amateurs residing in Australia and the globe.

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Vk1wia-news mailing list
Vk1wia-news@lists.wia.org.au
http://lists.wia.org.au/mailman/listinfo/vk1wia-news

2607. eHam.net News for Friday 21 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-21 23:14:34 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bf7163879e804d16502f5@google.com>
Source record: 1024
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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eHam.net News

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #52:

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 07:34 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29535

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by
QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest
Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites.
Thanks to all.
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2608. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 21 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 03:32:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e813e11d19604d1689dd5@google.com>
Source record: 1025
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio operators play crucial role during weather emergencies - MyFox Detroit

Posted: 21 Dec 2012 01:29 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHL0g1fZfnDYERAGqhFmeElbHJjVw&url=http://www.myfoxdetroit.com/story/20405640/ham-radio-operators-play-crucial-role-during-weather-emergencies

Ham radio operators play crucial role during weather emergencies
MyFox Detroit
We check in with them, they check in with us, and they, in turn, have amateur radio operators out in the field in the counties that are under the weather, warnings or watches," said ham radio operator Ted Davis. During weather emergencies, a break down ...

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Former Ham Radio company Datong in the press - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 11:50 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGycCjxDZpqVR-ifDEpBo1eipW0Ag&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/former_ham_radio_company_datong_in_the_press.htm

Former Ham Radio company Datong in the press
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
In the late 1970s and early 80s Datong was well known for a number of successful amateur radio products that included Filters, RF Speech Processors, Morse Tutor and an HF to VHF receive upconvertor. The companys final amateur radio product was a 144 ...

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Amateur Radio Testing Session at Fudcon Lawrence - LXer (press release)

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 07:46 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEZOKRTuw3jg5-3FXlwvtg0681PIA&url=http://lxer.com/module/newswire/view/178216/

Amateur Radio Testing Session at Fudcon Lawrence
LXer (press release)
Amateur Radio Testing Session at Fudcon Lawrence. Posted by bob on Dec 20, 2012 10:44 PM EST Fedora; By Ben Williams, Mail this story Print this story. Have you ever wanted to get your Amateur Radio License or Upgrade here is your chance at Fudcon ...

2609. Welcome to rec.radio.info!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 07:00:04 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/welcome-1-1356159602@panix.com>
Source record: 1026
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/welcome
Revision: 1.4 2008/02/09 19:36:10
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** Welcome to rec.radio.info! ***

Welcome to rec.radio.info, a group that aims to provide a noise-free
source of information and news for the entire rec.radio hierarchy.

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to the group
every month. You are now reading the first article, which explains what
rec.radio.info is, and answers some Frequently Asked Questions. The
second article is titled Posting Guidelines, and you only need to read
it if you want to submit an article to rec.radio.info.

You can skip to the next section of this article by searching for the
next
" -- " string. The sections available are:
- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?
- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?
- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?
- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.
- What type of material is considered inappropriate?
- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to
rec.radio.info?
- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?
- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to
speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

-- What is the purpose of rec.radio.info?

The purpose or charter of rec.radio.info is to provide the Usenet
community with a resource for information, news, and facts about any and
all things radio.

All the other rec.radio groups are intended for discussions and general
chit chat about radio. Rec.radio.info will contain informational,
factual articles only. Follow-ups are redirected to an appropriate other
group, and further discussion (if any) will not take place in
rec.radio.info.
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In order to ensure that rec.radio.info contains only appropriate articles, it was decided to create the group as a moderated newsgroup.

-- Why are messages almost always cross posted to rec.radio.info?

It provides a "tag" for each article to be assembled into a filtered presentation in rec.radio.info (even with cross-posting, only one message, with a unique Message-ID, is propagated across the net). This tag also facilitates a pre-existing method of dropping or canceling the articles locally within the discussion groups if you don't want to see them. This accommodates individuals who want to separate the bulletins from the discussions, discussions from the bulletins, as well as those who are adamant about not reading another newsgroup and wanted to see everything all in one basket.

With the total size of Usenet (in number of newsgroups and total traffic) doubling every year or so, this is no insignificant contribution to reducing information noise and chaos. Making the discussion groups a catch-all, and making extra newsgroups filters on that catch-all, is also the most realistic way to implement such a scheme (It's not intuitively obvious what the charter, contents, and general appropriate topics for each and every newsgroup are. Seeing FAQ's and charter/intro postings in the home newsgroup is beneficial for new readers).

By cross-posting one only is adding a few tens of bytes to each bulletin (to specify the extra group on the Newsgroups line), but are adding the capability for very powerful filtering features available on most news servers, listservers and readers. Your local news guru could probably explain these features in more detail.

In rn, for example, according to Leanne Phillips in her rn kill-file FAQ, add a line of the form:

/Newsgroups:.*[,]rec\.radio\.info/h:j

either in ~/News/KILL (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere) or ~/News/rec/radio/amateur/misc/KILL (if you don't want to see them just in rec.radio.amateur.misc). The latter method means your kill file will only be consulted during rec.radio.amateur.misc (and hence runs more efficiently), and will probably work for most people.

In nn, according to Bill Wohler in his nn FAQ, add a line of the form:

rec.radio.info:!s/:^

in ~/.nn/kill (if you don't want to see rec.radio.info articles anywhere), or put the following lines:

sequence
rec.radio.info
rec.radio.

at the end of ~/.nn/init in order to see all the rec.radio.info bulletins first, then read the remaining rec.radio.* without the

bulletins.

In slrn, according to the srln FAQ, the following scoring rule will | allow you to see rec.radio.info-crossposted bulletins, while still | filtering out most SPAM or "Velveeta" crossposted to more than 2 | newsgroups (as such articles usually do not contain a 'Followup-To:' | header): |

Score: -9999 |
Newsgroups: ,.*, |
~Followup-To: . |

More information about kill files may be obtained from Dave Fawthrop's Killfile FAQ at:

http://www.hyphenologist.co.uk/killfile/

-- What is a 'follow-up', and what does 'moderated' mean?

If you are new to Usenet and are not familiar with the terminology, you might want to read the general introductory articles found in the newsgroup news.announce.newusers. Doing so will make your life on the net much easier, and will probably save you from making silly beginner's mistakes.

If you think that at this moment you are reading an echo, a conference, or a bulletin board, I'd also strongly suggest a trip over to news.announce.newusers.

For the rest of this article, we will assume you have a basic knowledge of Usenet terminology and mechanics.

A moderated group means that any article that needs to be posted to the group has to be accepted by the moderator of the group. Since we need to ensure that followups to an article (discussion) do not show up in the rec.radio.info newsgroup, the `Followup-To:' header line contains a newsgroup that is appropriate for discussions about the specific article.

-- OK, so now I know what 'moderated' means. Tell me more.

Rec.radio.info is a moderated newsgroup, which means that all articles submitted to the group will have to be approved by the moderator first.

The current moderator of the group is the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team. Submissions to rec.radio.info can be posted, or e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Comments, criticisms, suggestions or questions about the group can be e-mailed to:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

But before you do so, please be sure to check out the "Posting Guidelines" article.

The influence of the moderator should be minimal and of an administrative nature, consisting chiefly of weeding out obviously inappropriate articles, while making sure correct headers etc. are used for the appropriate ones.

-- What type of material is considered inappropriate?

There are three broad categories of articles which will be rejected by the moderator:

1) Requests for information: rec.radio.info is strictly a one-way street. We receive information in our mailbox; we then post it to rec.radio.info. Requests for specific information belong in the normal discussion newsgroups. If your request gets answered, you might consider passing the answer on to rec.radio.info, though. Especially if you can edit it into a informational, rather than a discussion, format.

2) Obvious discussion articles, or articles that appear unsubstantiated.

3) Commercial stuff: a relatively unbiased test of a radio product would be accepted, but any hint of for-profit might be reason for rejection. For three reasons: This is not the purpose of the list, for-profit is a controversial topic, and this list may be passed onto Amateur Packet Radio (where for-profit is prohibited except under certain provisos).

rec.radio.swap may be more deserving of the posting in any matter.

Similarly, copyrighted material generally cannot be used. If it's TRULY worthwhile to the net, We would recommend obtaining permission from the copyright holder. Please note the source, and if permission was given. We reserve the right to make the final decision concerning appropriateness in all situations. In most cases, a brief summary of, or pointer to, the copyrighted information may be all we can allow.

-- I do not have access to news, how can I get the information posted to rec.radio.info?

Google has an excellent web interface to Usenet newsgroups. It is available at:

http://groups.google.com

It supports both reading and posting.

Another excellent web interface to at least the radio-related Usenet newsgroups is the RadioBanter site:

http://www.radiobanter.com

sponsored by the NewsgroupBanter project:

http://www.newsgroupbanter.com

It, too, supports both reading and posting.

-- Will the material appearing in rec.radio.info be archived somewhere?

Yes. See Google Groups and RadioBanter above.

Effectively this means that anything you post to rec.radio.info will be permanently stored, so your work will not be lost.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, is there a way to speed up it's delivery, or automate for more convenience?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as time critical.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires co-operation and goodwill to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio hierarchy.

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

2610. rec.radio.info Posting Guidelines

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines-1-1356159900@panix.com>
Source record: 1027
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.info,rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.answers,news.answers

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/rec-radio-info/guidelines
Revision: 1.5 2007/03/22 16:30:49
Posting-Frequency: posted monthly
URL: http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Changes followed by "|".

*** rec.radio.info - Posting Guidelines and Etiquette ***

Two introductory articles about rec.radio.info are posted to this group
and to rec.answers/news.answers every month. You are now reading the
second article, which explains how to submit something to
rec.radio.info, and which answers some Frequently Asked Questions about
the submission process. The first article is titled "Welcome to
rec.radio.info", and it might be a good idea to check it out as well.

-- How do I submit something to rec.radio.info?

Two possibilities. You can use your newsreading software to just post
the article to rec.radio.info, as you would do with any other
newsgroup. The difference is that the software recognizes the special
status of rec.radio.info as a moderated group, and will e-mail your
article to us, the moderation team, instead of posting it to the group.

Alternatively, you can mail your article directly to us at the following
address:

rec-radio-info@panix.com

Mailing us directly is probably (a wee bit) faster, but using the
transparency offered by the newsreading software is probably more
convenient.

If you have any questions, or wish to deal with some administrivia with
the moderation team, we suggest mailing to the following address:

rec-radio-info-request@panix.com

-- How soon will I see my article appear?

It depends on how busy we are. Your article reaches us as mail, we have
to read it first, give it the stamp of approval, and finally send it on
to the group. We will attempt to read and decide on all submissions
within 72 hours at the very least, though we will probably be able to
process submissions much faster in actual practice.
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The site from which we moderate this newsgroup, "Public Access Internet and Unix, NYC" (Panix), is directly connected to the Internet, and articles posted at that site should appear at most major news sites, including Google Groups, the same day. The principal delay, therefore, will be the wait in the moderator's submission queue.

If you post a periodic article, and have shown to be trustworthy, we may allow you to post directly if the article is of a timely nature. See the section below on direct posting.

-- Should my article be in a specific format?

No. If it is not totally illegible, we will accept it, and if it does not have a correct subject-line we will correct it with your permission -- that's what a moderator is for.

However.

You could do us a big favor by making sure your article conforms to these simple requirements:

1) The article must present information, not discussion or requests, We will reject the article or require you to change the wording if it is worth it.
2) A good, descriptive Subject line.
3) Always mention what source you got the information from.
4) Don't forget to include a Followup-To header, at least if you don't want further discussion to automatically be forwarded to you, the poster, which is the default if the article is only posted to rec.radio.info.

As we said: if your article is appropriate we will post it even if you don't follow these guidelines, but then don't blame us for not processing it immediately. 'Perfect' articles we can send on with a couple of keystrokes. Stuff that needs minor editing is going to have to wait until we have time to do so.

Please do not waste both our and your time by posting requests, as this is an information only news group.

-- What about crossposting?

If you send something to rec.radio.info, just name any group you'd like to cross-post to in the Newsgroups field. Then, when we approve the article for rec.radio.info it will get automatically cross-posted to any other groups mentioned. This will also override the default Followup-To: poster, replacing it with the groups you cross posted to.

We would prefer if the group be cross-posted to the various discussion groups in the rec.radio.* hierarchy that are appropriate:

rec.radio.amateur.misc Amateur (ham) radio and related matters
rec.radio.amateur.packet Amateur Packet Radio discussions
rec.radio.amateur.policy Amateur Radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.noncomm Non commercial radio discussions

rec.radio.shortwave International broadcasting on the 'HF' bands
rec.radio.cb Citizens Band (27 MHz) discussion
rec.radio.scanner Scanner discussions (unsupported group)

or in one of the moderated groups:

rec.radio.amateur.moderated Amateur radio practices, rules, etc.
rec.radio.broadcasting Discussion of *domestic* radio broadcasting

We will leave it up to the poster to decide which group(s) are appropriate, but reserve the right to add groups if we feel it has broader interest. We will consult with the poster first.

Notes on crossposting:

- rec.radio.broadcasting is also a moderated group. The rec.radio.broadcasting moderator prefers to review all articles himself before posting. Placing rec.radio.broadcasting before rec.radio.info on the Newsgroups line should accomplish this. We will typically abide by the rec.radio.broadcasting moderator's decision whether the article is appropriate for rec.radio.info.

- rec.radio.amateur.moderated is also a moderated group. As the rec.radio.amateur.moderated Moderation Team manages both rec.radio.amateur.moderated and rec.radio.info, we can manage crossposting and approvals for both newsgroups. The rec.radio.amateur.moderated group does not allow crossposting to other discussion newsgroups, whether moderated or unmoderated. However, we would like to manage rec.radio.info as consistently as possible with how it was done by previous moderators, including the grandfathering of existing regular postings. Therefore, the submitter can choose rec.radio.amateur.moderated or the other unmoderated rec.radio.amateur.* discussion newsgroups for crossposting, but not both.

- Any FAQ or informational posting approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderation team that is also crossposted to any rec.radio.* newsgroup (besides just rec.radio.info) is also automatically pre-approved for rec.radio.info. See below for more information.

If you post to another moderated group, it may be better to make special arrangements with both moderators before posting by contacting us at our administrivia addresses.

In addition, cross-posts do not take up extra space; modern newsreaders can be configured to show you cross-posted articles only once anyway; not everybody reads rec.radio.info; and rec.radio.info was never meant to reduce the volume of the regular discussion newsgroups. But keep in mind that some of the mail gateways may filter out the informational postings (at request of the subscribers) to keep the load down.

You decide.

-- I have a regular posting with timely information, can I make arrangements to help speed up delivery by posting directly from my site?

Yes, there is! It may take a bit of chatter with the moderator, but we are willing to take responsible people and provide them the means of posting the articles directly from their site. We will try everything we can as we fully realize that DX (distant signal) and astronomical data can be somewhat transitory. We are also willing to allow regular posters of information the same courtesy, even if the information is not as timely.

We refer to this as self-moderation, which is partly based on the model for rec.answers/news.answers. This requires cooperation and good will to be beneficial to the community in the rec.radio.* hierarchy.

If you are currently maintaining (or plan to maintain) a radio-related periodic information posting, you may wish to consider crossposting it to rec.answers/news.answers. Postings that are approved by the rec.answers/news.answers moderators for this treatment are automatically pre-approved for crossposting to rec.radio.info (as the news.answers requirements are far more rigorous than the requirements this newsgroup ever plans to use). For more information about this option, consult the appropriate information articles and posting guidelines in rec.answers/news.answers.

Realize also, that even if your post is not approved for rec.answers/news.answers, it can still be approved for rec.radio.info. The intention is not so much to get every last bit of radio-related information on rec.answers/news.answers, but rather to provide an alternative avenue of approval (as well as grandfather existing maintainers of radio-related information and spare them additional bureaucratic hurdles). Again, crossposting to either rec.radio.info or rec.answers/news.answers, both, or neither, is at the discretion of the poster (subject to the approval of the moderators). You decide what is most appropriate for your article.

Please remember that as an information maintainer, you are not alone. There are many others on the net who maintain and post periodic information postings, using various intermediate-to-advanced features of Usenet (usually via automated tools). Various degrees of technical support and general hand-holding are available from many Usenet veterans. Send us some E-mail describing your needs to our administrative address below, and we'll try to help, or at least refer you to the right knowledgeable individual(s).

-- And Follow-ups?

If the only newsgroup you have specified is rec.radio.info, then the Followup-To: field will always be set to poster. If you do not want this, you must supply a Followup-To line of your own, and we will honor that one, as long as it is a subset of the original Newsgroups line.

If you specify newsgroups to cross-post to, then the Followup-To field will be set to include all the cross-posted groups, excepting rec.radio.info itself. Again, if you do not wish this behavior, supply your own Followup-To line.

We maintain other standards on the various RFC-1036 (news transport) header lines. For example, if the article is appropriate for passing into the Packet Radio Information Network, we encapsulate the Packet Bulletin Identifier (BID) in the Message-ID: news header line indicating the machine of origin as the ampr.org domain:

Message-ID: <$opa.55.1994@ampr.org> |

where the Packet Radio BID, in this example, is `$OPA.55', and it was posted in the year 1994, because some of the Bid numbers are cycled yearly. Hopefully, this can be used as a key to re-introduce the articles for the Packet Radio network. Also, if the article is a repost of an already existing information article in the rec.radio heirarchy, we ensure that the References: header line is linked to that previously posted article. This also helps to tag articles, and may be used for additional filtering if needed.

Since the articles are archived, please use the Summary and Keywords header lines to help one search for your article.

-- Why have I received no reply from you?

We never reject anything in silence, and we make a point of it to answer all our mail. However, E-mail, like a brain cell, can and does get lost, every now and again.

So, if you send us something, and you don't see it appear it rec.radio.info, and you still have not heard from us in reply after say, five days, you can be pretty sure that either your mail never reached us, or that our answer has never reached you. In that case, please try again (We will filter out duplicates).

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms about this article to rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

(Adapted, with permission, from the original article written by Mark Salyzyn, AG4YD, ex-VE6MGS.)

2611. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.amateur.*

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 07:05:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/ham-radio/recruitment-1-1356159900@panix.com>
Source record: 1028
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/ham-radio/recruitment
Revision: 1.2 2009/11/25 14:41:01
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.amateur.* (and currently archived
at http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/personal-intro/ ):

radio/personal-intro
Subject: Guide to the rec.radio Newsgroups
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 9 Nov 2001 06:18:17 GMT
Posting-Frequency: 15th of each month

One significant omission, requiring immediate updates, for this article |
is that it does not mention newer amateur radio newsgroups created since |
it was written, including: |

rec.radio.amateur.antenna |
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors |
rec.radio.amateur.dx |
rec.radio.amateur.equipment |
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew |
rec.radio.amateur.moderated |
rec.radio.amateur.space |

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:
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http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.

2612. Seeking New FAQ/Intro Maintainers for rec.radio.swap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 07:10:01 UTC
From: rram@panix.com
Message-ID: <radio/swap/recruitment-1-1356160200@panix.com>
Source record: 1029
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

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Posted-By: auto-faq 3.3.2 beta (PGPMoose V2.0, Perl 5.005)
Archive-name: radio/swap/recruitment
Revision: 1.1 2007/09/29 18:42:57
Posting-Frequency: posted twice monthly
URL: http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide

Changes followed by "|".

The rec.radio.info newsgroup, first established in 1993, has been
recently revived by an active moderation team. We are currently seeking
suitable information, FAQ, and bulletin articles from the entire
rec.radio.* newsgroup hierarchy for simultaneous cross-posting to our
newsgroup.

We are seeking a replacement maintainer for the following information
bulletin formerly posted to rec.radio.swap (and currently archived at
http://www.faqs.org/faqs/radio/swap-guide/ ):

radio/swap-guide
Subject: Rec.radio.swap FAQ: A Guide to Buying and Selling on Usenet
Maintainer: jeffreyh@Hawaii.Edu (Jeffrey Herman)
Last Posted: 6 Nov 2001 19:25:51 GMT
Posting-Frequency: Monthly

We are willing to provide any technical support necessary to get this
article updated and automatically posted again at a regular interval.
This would include establishing contact with the original maintainer for
any necessary permissions. We would prefer to seek a new, dedicated
maintainer at this time, rather than start auto-posting the original
article ourselves.

For more information about our newsgroup, see:

http://www.panix.com/~rram/usenet/rri/index.html

Please direct any comments, questions, or criticisms to
rec-radio-info-request@panix.com.
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2613. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 11:07:53 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9399dd76a5e9404d16ef925@google.com>
Source record: 1030
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT-UK introduce Electronic (PDF) Membership

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/W82A_x7PkAw/amsat_uk_introduce_electron
ic_membership.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT-UK is pleased to announce that they can now offer Electronic
E-membership at a reduced rate

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UKube-1 signs-up for launch and completes thermal vacuum testing

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3a2HVGe1R0Y/ukube1_signs_up_for_launch.
htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

UKube-1 the UK Space Agency’s (UKSA) first satellite, has 'booked' its
journey into space on a Russian Soyuz-2 rocket

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Pasta-shaped radio waves allow for an infinite number of channels to be
broadcast and received

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1yvjOANnUqQ/pasta_shaped_radio_waves.ht
m?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Radio waves twisted into the shape of fusilli pasta have been beamed across
Venice – and researchers discovered that they allow for a potentially
infinite number of channels to be broadcast and received

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Limited time offer - VI4ASJ

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/OxPCio7wU_E/limited_time_offer_vi4asj.h
tm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On 2nd January, the Australian Scouts will commence their national Jamboree
which runs for ten days. As part of the activities, Maryborough Electronics
and Radio Group, Inc. are helping run the Special Event Station, VI4AJS

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A Repeater Keeper's Night Before Christmas

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/_N_OYM3fn6k/a_repeater_keepers_night_before_christmas.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It was the night before Christmas all through the land, Not an amateur was using the 2 metre band...

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2kYik38P85Q/051_december_22.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

It is Saturday, December 22, 2012, and the world did not end. To herald this non-event, NASA even produced a wonderful video explaining how the whole thing was a misconception anyway. The Mayan calendar is like an odometer, and when it gets to 999999, it just roles over to 0 and begins anew

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Happy New Year de 9M2PJU

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1Acnb31ADbI/happy_new_year_de_9m2pju.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Piju be operating as 9M2PJU/P this 31 December 2012 till 1 January 2013, near Kepong Metropolitan Lake Park, Kuala Lumpur along with a few hams, to say happy new year

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OY6FRA on 5MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ps1U_i1c1qg/oy6fra_on_5mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We like to inform you that OY6FRA, Clubstation of Faroese Radio Amateurs, have now finaly got license to 5MHz

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Boeing uses potatoes to test aircraft Wi-Fi

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/rFXCYa_Pnks/boeing_uses_potatoes_to_test_aircraft_wifi.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

US planemaker Boeing is using potatoes to test the propagation characteristics of Wi-Fi on a plane

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New Section Manager appointed in New York City - Long Island

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-XdOOBGgEzo/new_sm_long_island.htm?utm_

source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Effective January 1, 2013, Jim Mezey, W2KFV, of Carle Place, New York, will be the new ARRL New York City-Long Island Section Manager

2614. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 11:53:39 UTC
From: Brian Howie <brian@nospam.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <qrLOBkED9Z1QFwIM@b-howie.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 1031
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

In message <14dae9399dd76a5e9404d16ef925@google.com>, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org> writes
>//
>Boeing uses potatoes to test aircraft Wi-Fi

"The company's researchers say that potatoes "interact" with electronic signals in a similar way to humans."

For some reason I don't seem to be surprised by this .

Bleep - dah-di-dah

Brian
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Brian Howie

2615. SARL News in English 22/12/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 15:39:29 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <B85A9F7493844D26A75A2A4C3FDBAEC1@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1032
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS SUNDAY 23 December 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

SILENT KEY

It is with regret that it is announced that Darryl du Randt, ZS6DLD, was shot dead on 1st December 2012.

Our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

(PAUSE)

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

SARL PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE ON AMATEUR RADIO TODAY

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM - CALL FOR PAPERS

SARL ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND NOW OVER 50% OF THE R50 000 TARGET

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

SARL PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE ON AMATEUR RADIO TODAY

This morning the SARL President's Christmas and New Year Message will be transmitted on Amateur Radio Today. It will also be available in both written and audio format on the SARL web at www.sarl.org.za today.

In his Christmas message Rassie Erasmus, ZS1YT, said that amateur radio spirit is amateur radio's Ubuntu. He said that when Paul M. Segal, W9EEA, wrote the Amateur's code he gave real meaning to what is meant by amateur radio spirit. "Amateur Radio gives us this wonderful opportunity to reach out to many people and I urge you to do so on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Make one or two contacts and wish the

other station and his or her family a happy festive season. From my family and I, I send you good wishes for a merry Christmas and Happy and prosperous New Year. Mag die wonder van Kersfees ook u en u familie aanraak. Ek wens u almal 'n Gese�nde Kersfees en 'n voorspoedige nuwe jaar toe."

Read the full message on www.sarl.org.za.

SA AMSAT SPACE SYMPOSIUM - CALL FOR PAPERS

The 2013 SA AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Saturday 18 May 2013 at the Innovation Hub in Pretoria. This is the first call for papers. The theme of the symposium is Satellites- the new Amateur Radio Frontier. If you are planning to present a paper, send a brief outline to saamsat@sarl.org.za by 31 January 2013. For full details and the various deadline dates visit www.amsatsa.org.za.

SARL ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND NOW OVER 50% OF THE R50 000 TARGET

The SARL Antenna Defence fund has surpassed the 50% mark of the R50 000 target. On Friday the fund stood at R25 100. Radio Amateurs and clubs have rallied to support the SARL's campaign to have building and zoning regulations changed to enable radio amateurs to put up antenna structures under 15 metres without having to go through a lengthy process of applying for re-zoning and building approvals which are now required in most major centres of South Africa.

The target is to collect at least R50 000. Thanks to radio amateurs and clubs who have made contributions to the fund. Full details on the campaign and a list of donors can be found on www.sarl.org.za, select Antenna Defence Fund from the left hand menu on the home page.

THE BPL-PLT WAR: DARC TO HOLD STRATEGY MEETING ON THE DANGERS

On Saturday, 12 January 2013 the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC) will be sponsoring a one-day workshop dealing with the possible hazards to amateur radio from electromagnetic power lines. The workshop slated for the DARC headquarters in Baunatal will cover all aspects of power line Internet transmission and its likely effects on amateur radio operations. The SARL is keeping a keen eye on the outcome of the workshop.

South Africa has no PLT regulations, they are still in draft form. The draft can be downloaded from www.amateurradio.org.za/PLT Standard Notice.pdf.

SARL MEMBERS GET DISCOUNT ON ARRL BOOKS

The SA Amateur Radio Development Trust has a large number of ARRL books in stock. Details are available on www.amateurradio.org.za. SARL members qualify for a discounted rate. On the web site there are two order forms. If you an SARL member, download the SARL Member order form and you will see the discounts available. Currently the two most

popular books are the 2013 Hard cover ARRL Handbook and the Hard cover Antenna Book. If you are planning to write the Radio Amateur Radio Examination in May next year, the ARRL Basic Radio is the ideal book to assist in your studies.

IARU NEWS

Two new societies have joined the IARU as members. On 1 November 2012 voting was completed on the admission of the Federation of Radio Sport of Azerbaijan (Proposal No. 247) and St. Vincent & Grenadines Amateur Radio Club (Proposal No. 248) to IARU membership. With 53 affirmative votes required for approval there were 60 votes in favor of Proposal No. 247 and 61 votes in favor of Proposal No. 248. Accordingly, both proposals were adopted.

COMPETITION NEWS

In the last Sunday's bulletin it was erroneously stated that ZS6PAM took 2nd overall position in the PEARS HF DX CONTEST of 11th November 2012. The 2nd position is in fact occupied by Pam Momberg, ZS6APT. Our sincere apologies to both Pam and ZS6PAM. Congratulations to Pam, ZS6APT.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at low to moderate levels. All three visible Sunspots are currently stable. There is no chance for strong solar flares at this time.

For those who want to do their own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 67.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequent 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 31 January 2013 - Last day for submission of nominations for councilors for the next term and motions for the 2013 AGM. 31 January 2013 - Last day for submission of a brief outline of a proposed paper at the SA AMSAT Space Symposium on 18 May 2013 to saamsat@sarl.org.za.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on

'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 16:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

The SARLNEWS team wish all our readers and listeners a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. We will be back with another news cast next Sunday 30 December 2012.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2616. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 17:25:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d04446949ae257c04d1743e12@google.com>
Source record: 1033
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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9M2PJU/P New Year DXing

Posted: 22 Dec 2012 04:23 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372978-9M2PJU-P-New-Year-DXing&goto=newpost

Hello,

My name is Piju. I will operating as 9M2PJU/P along with few hams on this December 31st 2012 till 1st January 2013 at Metropolitan Lake And Kite Park near Kepong, in Kuala Lumpur. I will calling for DX stations on 40m, 20m and 15m just to say HAPPY NEW YEAR. QSL direct, also available for LOTW and eQSL. I prefer CW mode but i can do SSB too.

Some pictures to enjoy,

https://www.google.com.my/search?q=t...w=1280&bih=616

Map,

http://wikimapia.org/#lat=3.2236909&...litan%20kepong

Thanks. See you on the air soon!

2617. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 17:46:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934045970a62704d1748998@google.com>
Source record: 1034
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1845 December 21 2012

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 09:01 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372860-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1845--December-21-2012&goto=newpost

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Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1845 ☐ December 21 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1845 with a release date of
December 21, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a QST. New Zealand approves a Digital amateur radio repeater to test compatibility with other radio services; the United States says no to a new I-T-U treaty to govern the Internet; the Dutch military wont give up 915 MHz for unlicensed short range devices; and a new eye on the sky down-under will warn of solar eruptions. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline☐ report number 1845 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO COMPATIBILITY: NEW ZEALAND ATV REPEATER TO TEST COMPATABILITY WITH
COMMERCIAL BROADCASTING

In what may be a first anywhere world-wide, a New Zealand amateur radio service digital ATV repeater has been given a chance to test its compatibility with commercial broadcasters. Amateur Radio Newsline☐s Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reports from down-under:

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New Zealand Radio Spectrum Management or RSM has granted the first
Digital Amateur TV License to NZART Branch 74, the Wellington VHF Group,
for use at its main station located on MountBelmont, in Wellington.

The main features of License 236831 are: Digital TV Channel 25 (DTV25);

502 MHz to 510 MHz; DVB-T format; 7.7 MHz emission bandwidth; 100 Watts
mean effective isotropic radiated power and horizontal polarization

The license is valid for an initial period of 6 months, from 1st January
2013 to 30th June 2013.

The license permits DATV transmissions for the purpose of testing compatibility with services on the adjacent frequencies and requires the production of a comprehensive report to RSM.

The DTV25 channel is, in effect, the guard band between Communications services below 502 MHz and Digital TV Broadcasts above 510 MHz (DTV26 and above).

It is hoped that these tests will, once again, demonstrate the engineering capabilities of Radio Amateurs and lead the way to the granting of DATV licenses throughout New Zealand.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I☐m Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, in Nelson, New Zealand.

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If the test proves successful it holds the potential of opening up a new concept in channel sharing between amateur radio and other telecommunications services. (ZL2BHF)

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RADIO LAW: FOLLOW-UP ☐ US SAYS NO TO DUBAI INTERNET TREATY

A follow-up to last weeks story regarding that confrontational meeting in Dubai to discuss the future of the Internet. As the gathering drew to a close the United States joined 20 other counties in refusing to sign a treaty that they say will harm Internet freedom.

The final proposal was forged at an international communications conference that ended Friday, December 14th. A major problem of the treaty produced by the 193 nation International Telecommunications Union was its endorsement of greater control over the Internet by governments.

United States Ambassador Terry Kramer said that rejecting the treaty was an obvious direction for the U.S. delegation to take. He told the media that there were too many concerns that were problematic for the nation.

AS reported last week, one issue troubling the United States is language extending the treaty to Internet Service Providers and private network operators, as well as governments. The United States believes this would invite greater government control of the Internet. The same is true of provisions in the treaty to fight cybercrime. According to the U.S. delegation the broad powers designed to increase network security could too easily be abused by governments.

The chair of the World Conference on International Communications is Mohamed Nasser Al-Ghanim. He disagreed with the dissenting countries noting that their concerns are addressed in the text. Al-Ghanim said that special provisions were written into the treaty to say that content is excluded and that he Internet will continue to express freedom of thought as it has.

If the Dubai conference showed anything, it's that a major schism exists between the developed nations and much of the ITU over Internet issues. Some believe this could result in a second, more strictly regulated Internet emerging, although experts acknowledge that would be difficult to actually create.

The final version of the treaty goes into effect in 2015, but without the signatures of many of the Internet super powers, its effect is likely to be minimal at best. (Various Internet news sources)

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RESTERUCTURING: DUTCH MILITARY STILL INSIST ON 915 MHZ

With almost 42 CEPT nations reporting that 915 to 921 MHz is empty, or emptying, it is hoped the band will soon be made available for Short Range Devices or SRD□s.

An article by Bill Ray in UK newspaper The Register implies that the Dutch military appear to be just about the only obstacle to 915 to 921 MHz being available for Short Range Devices use on a world-wide basis.

To date there has been no globally available license exempt spectrum for Short Range Devices available between 42 MHz and 2.4 GHz. In some countries such as the United Kingdom, spectrum at 433 to 435 MHz has been used as a stopgap move. However this has caused considerable interference to other existing licensed services. (UK Register, Southgate)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: NORTH KOREA SATELLITE ATTAINS ORBIT BUT NOBODY HAS HEARD IT TRANSMIT

North Korea appears to have successfully launched a satellite into space through the use of its Unha 3 satellite launcher, but may have lost control over the bird soon after it attained orbit.

As reported by several news outlets, according to U.S. officials, the satellite which was launched by North Korea on Wednesday, December 12th is now believed to tumbling out of control in an uncontrolled orbit and nobody is quite sure what the spacecraft's purpose or capabilities are.

North Korea lofted the spacecraft on the long-range rocket from its Sohae Satellite Launch Station on the nation's northwest coast. The launch was detected by United States missile warning systems. NORAD, the North American Aerospace Defense Command said the Unha-3 rocket's first stage fell into the Yellow Sea, while the second stage fell into the Philippine Sea. It went on to state that the missile deployed an object that appeared to achieve orbit.

According to the ITU the North Koreans have so far not specified the type or format of the data or video transmissions it plans to make through the satellite although said it expects the transmissions to continue for up to 2 years. Currently the only claim from North Korea is that the bird is transmitting music on either 470 or 479 MHz but so far no monitoring

stations have reported hearing this new bird or its sound. Similar claims were made in 1998 for another North Korean orbital launch attempt that is believed to have failed. (Space.com and various news sources)

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HAM RADIO NEAR SPACE: END OF THE WORLD TRANSATLANTIC HIGH ALTITUDE BALLOON PREMATURELY BURSTS

The transatlantic crossing attempt by an amateur radio balloon carrying an 18 MHz PSK beacon ended over the coast of Mississippi when the balloon prematurely burst.

The ham radio balloon called BLT-32 carried a PSK 31 transmitter on 18.100 MHz. It was due to be launched late Saturday, December 15th from near Sugarland, Texas with its destination aimed at Europe. According to reports it only made it a few hundred miles.

The South Texas Balloon Launch Team had joined the N0D End of the World Special Event with the launch its high altitude 'floater' balloon with hope of it reaching Europe before the End of the World took place as described in one Mayan calendar. And in keeping with the theme of the event the beacons and APRS tracker on the balloon were to use the N0D call sign. N0D meaning Now Zero-Days. And it was a case of Now Zero-Days for this ham radio balloon flight.

As reported last week a similar ham radio floater balloon launched by a group in Northern California dis make it across both the United States and the Atlantic Ocean before descending in Morocco. (Southgate)

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ENFORCEMENT: UK REGULATOR OFCOM SUPPORTS INVALIDATED EXAM

The United Kingdom□s Radio Communications Foundation or RCF has announced that telecommunications regulator Ofcom has supported its decision to disallow an amateur radio examination in Northern Ireland.

According to a statement on the RCF, the Ofcom findings were that there is no hard evidence of wrong doing by the club or candidates but nevertheless the examination results were considered unsafe. Also that the suspension of the club concerned from running examinations was appropriate in the circumstances but it is now free to resume this activity.

The Radio Communications Foundation has offered a free re test to both of the candidates whose exam was invalidated. (Southgate)

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BREAK 1

Wishing you a truly great holiday season, from the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W4CN repeater of the Western Radio Transmitting Society serving Louisville, Kentucky.

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC AFFIRMS $16000 FINE FOR OUT OF BAND OPERATION

Back in the USA, the FCC has affirmed a $16,000 fine issued to a radio amateur for his alleged operating on a frequency reserved for government use only. We have the details in this report:

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Recipient of the monetary forfeiture order is Joaquim Barbosa, N2KBJ, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, whom the FCC says operated a transmitter on the frequency 296.550 MHz without Commission authorization.

In his own defense Barbosa who holds an Extra class license, filed a response to the original Notice of Apparent Liability. In it he admitted to operating a radio transceiver on the frequency 296.550 MHz but contended that that cancellation or a substantial reduction of the then proposed $20,000 forfeiture is warranted nonetheless for several reasons. First that he reasonably believed that he had authority to operate on the frequency 296.550 MHz. Second, that his constitutional rights had been violated. Third that the unlicensed operation did not cause harm or interference. Forth that the forfeiture amount is not supported by case precedent and lastly that there are other factors such as his cooperation with the investigation, inability to pay, and prior history of overall compliance with the rules.

But the FCC bought only one of Barbosa□s arguments. In issuing its final order it agreed that a reduction of the forfeiture amount was warranted based on its review of the record and finding that Barbosa, prior to this investigation, has a history of overall compliance with the Commission□s rules. So after consideration of the entire record including Barbosa□s response to the initial Notice of Apparent Liability that it was going to knock $4000 of the now affirmed fine and reduce it to the $16000 level.

For the amateur radio Newsline I□m Heather Embee, KB3TZD, near Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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As this is now an affirmed fine, Barbosa was given only until close of business on December 31st to pay it or the case may be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for enforcement of the forfeiture pursuant to Section 504(a) of the Communications Act. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC REDUCES FINE ISSUED TO NY UNLICENSED BROADCASTER

The FCC has issued a Memorandum Opinion and Order that in part grants and in part denies a Petition for Reconsideration filed by Dexter Blake of Mt. Vernon, New York. This in regard to a $10,000 Forfeiture Order issued to him for willfully and repeatedly operating an unlicensed radio broadcast

station.

On March 3, 2009, the Enforcement Bureau□s New York Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Blake for operating an unlicensed broadcast station on the frequency 101.5 MHz in Mount Vernon, New York. Blake did not file a response to the proposed fine. As a result on July 22, 2010, the Enforcement Bureau issued a Forfeiture Order affirming the findings in the Notice of Apparent Liability and assessing the $10,000 forfeiture.

That apparently got Blake□s attention after which he filed his petition for reconsideration. In it, Blake admits to having operated the unlicensed station, but claims that cancellation is warranted because the individual from whom he received the equipment did not advise him that he needed an FCC license. In addition, he requested a reduction or cancellation of the forfeiture based on his inability to pay.

Now, after what it calls a careful review the FCC issued its decision on December 13th. In it, the agency said that although Blake concedes operating an unlicensed radio station that it is a violation of Section of the 301 of the Communications Act. Therefore it declines to cancel the forfeiture on this basis. However it does agree with Blake that the $10,000 amount would constitute a financial hardship and as such has lowered the fine to $1700.

Blake was given 30 days to pay the reduced fine or the case may be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for further enforcement.

(FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC SAYS HAWAIIAN CABLE OPS MUST CARRY KLEI TV

The FCC says that two cable television stations in Hawaii must carry a particular station even though neither wants to. Amateur Radio Newsline□s Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has the rest of the story:

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The FCC has denied a request by Oceanic Time Warner Cable and Hawaiian Telcom Services Company asking that they not carry KLEI TV on their respective systems. The station, under new ownership since 2011, asked for carriage, but the operators said no so KLEI then filed a must-carry complaint.

In part, the FCC agreed with the cable operators that the station could not argue historical carriage as neither had been carrying the station before it was bought in 2011. That□s when the new owners sought carriage or that it was delivering an over-the-air signal to any of the communities it sought cable carriage in. Those are two of the four tests for cable TV carriage.

But in this case the FCC took a different view. It said the absence of those two points was not sufficient to deny the station's request. The agency said that the unique characteristics of the Hawaiian market and KLEI's strong lineup of local programming of relevance to the inhabitants of Hawaii County and to all Hawaiians. Also that it□s foreign language programming targeted at special groups and residents, persuaded it to grant the carriage complaint.

Hawaiian Telcom Services Company had said that if it carried KLEI, it should not have to carry it on channel 6 in Honolulu. This is because it was already carrying station KBFD there. The FCC rejected that request as well. I t pointed out that it has clarified very recently that a digital station, generally speaking, is entitled to be carried on its former analog channel number. In this case KLEI was channel 6 and KBFD was 32.

I□m Don Wilbanks, AE5DW.

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At airtime its not known if either the Hawaiian Telcom Services Company or Oceanic Time Warner Cable plan to file an appeal. (FCC. B&C)

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THE BPL-PLT WAR: DARC TO HOLD STRATEGY MEETING ON DANGERS OF PLC / PLT

This note to our listeners in Germany. On Saturday, January 12, 2013 the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club will be sponsoring a one-day workshop dealing with the possible hazards to amateur radio from electromagnetic Powerline Transmission more commonly known in Europe as in-home P-L-T. The workshop slated for the DARC headquarters in Baunatal will cover all aspects of powerline Internet transmission and its likely effects on amateur radio operations. All DARC members wishing to attend are welcome. Interested parties are asked to pre-register by contacting Renate Stackebrandt by e-mail to r.stackebrandt (at) darc (dot) de. More is on line at tinyurl.com/GermanyDARC. (DARC, Southgate)

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HAM EDUCATION: W5KUB.COM TO CARRY D-STAT LIVE NETCAST

Tom Medlin, W5KUB, tells us that all systems a go for the next live W5KUB.COM worldwide Internet broadcast. On December 29th at1500 UTC Tom will be presenting the D-Star Live netcast that will feature many experts on the mode as a part of the show. Using Tom□s interactive website you will be able to ask questions, and be a part of this program. Tom says that updates are available via his Facebook web page. Just join Facebook and then use the search task bar to locate the W5KUB Group page. Then just click to join. (W5KUB)

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THE SOCIAL SCENE: SUPERSTITION HAMFEST RESCHEDULED TO FEBRUARY 19

Arizona's postponed Superstition Hamfest will now take place on Saturday, February 9th at Mesa Community College off of highway 60 in western Mesa, Arizona. The Superstition Amateur Radio Club, sponsor of the event that usually takes place in December says that it appreciates everyone's patience and once again apologizes for the inconvenience the rescheduling has caused. For more information please take your web browser to tinyurl.com/superstion-hamfest. An updated information sheet may be downloaded from the site in PDF form. (WB7C)

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RADIO HAPPENINGS: SAQ VLF TRANSMISSION CHRISTMAS EVE

There will be a transmission from Sweden□s famed Alexanderson 200 kilowatt Very Low Frequency alternator on Christmas Eve. The transmitter will be tuned up from around 07:30 UTC with the message itself transmitted on 17.2 kHz at exactly 08:00 UTC on Monday, December 24th.

The Alexanderson alternator is located at the Grimeton Radio SAQ transmitter site. If you copy the message you are asked to send QSN reports via e-mail to info (at) alexander (dot) n (dot) se. You can also mail reports via the S M bureau. More information on the Alexanderson alternator is on-line at www.alexander.n.se. (Southgate)

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RADIO HAPPENINGS: CRICKET CAM COMING DOWN-UNDER

FOX Sports reportedly will take broadcasting of cricket competition in Australia to a new level this summer. This with pictures to be broadcast from micro size cameras installed in helmets worn by batsmen and wicket keepers.

According to the WIA News, the equipment consists of a High Definition visor-mounted camera and transmitter with batteries on the rear strap. The additional weight on the helmet is only 250 grams, or about the weight of a bar of soap.

The can be fitted to any player's helmet during the game. Fox Sports believes it will be the first camera attached to a player during a Cricket match at this level. The technology is to be officially introduced in the Big Bash Twenty tournament.

For those unfamiliar with Cricket, it is a baseball like game played between two teams of 11 players. One team bats, trying to score as many runs as possible while the other team fields, trying to dismiss the batsmen and limit the runs scored by the batting team. The game is most popular in Australia, England, the Indian sub-continent, the West Indies and Southern Africa. (WIA News)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today□s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: RADIO PIONEER RAY BRIEM, N6FFT □ S.K.

We seem to be using the words of the changing of the guard more often these days, and once again they seem most apropos. This with the word of the passing of broadcasting legend Ray Briem, N6FFT as we hear from Amateur Radio Newsline□s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW:

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Anyone born or raised in the great American Southwest in the last half century likely knows the name Ray Briem. For some 30 of those years Briem who held the Amateur Service call letters N6FFT was called the host who owned overnight talk radio on Los Angeles station KABC A.M..

Born Leland R. Briem in Ogden, Utah, in 1930, Ray Briem first took to the radio airwaves at the age of fifteen. On August 14th, 1945 he was asked by a station manager to substitute for a staff announcer and with that his days in radio were off and running.

The highlight of Ray Briems career was when he came to KABC in 1967 where he held court over the nighttime hours until 1994. While he loved big band music and interviewed hundreds of celebrities his mainstay was talking with and to his listeners. And when he got involved in shortwave listening and then ham radio, several nights each year were devoted to talking about both of these topics. Frequent guests on those special shows included the late Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ, her husband Bob, W6VGQ and Lloyd Sigmon, W6LQ, who created the traffic alert system named in his honor known as the Sigalert.

After retiring from KABC, Ray Briem did a brief afternoon talk show on KIEV-AM. He received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and in 2008 was honored for his contributions to broadcast radio by the Pacific Pioneer Broadcasters organization.

On a personal note, unlike some celebrities with call signs, Ray was more than a name in an amateur radio database. He was often heard on the local ham radio airwaves and I myself had many contacts great with him through the Catalina Island repeater. As always, be it speaking to hundreds of thousands over KABC, or in a one on one contact via ham radio Ray Briem, N6FFT, was a true gentleman and a friendly voice in the night that will be missed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bruce Tennant. K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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For a truly beautiful retrospective about Ray Briem, N6FFT, and his career we suggest that you read the article by fellow broadcaster Doug McIntire that appeared in the Los Angeles Daily News. You can find it at tinyurl.com/la-daily-news-briem. (ARNewsline□; K6PZW, published news reports)

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RADIO FROM SPACE: NEW HUGE TELESCOPE TO WARN OF SOLAR STORMS

Astronomers say a new eye on the sky in Western Australia□s remote outback could potentially save the world billions of dollars. This by warning of a pending cosmic catastrophe.

The International Center for Radio Astronomy Research in Perth reports that the new Murchison Widefield Array radio telescope will give a dramatically improved view of the sun. This in turn should provide an early warning of explosive solar storms that can damage to communication satellites, electric power grids and GPS navigation systems.

In addition to its solar observations, the Murchison Widefield Array will offer scientists an unprecedented view of the entire history of the universe, including how the very first stars and galaxies formed.

(WIA)

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WORLDBEAT: ZIMBABWE THREATENS TO JAM SHORTWAVE BROADCASTS

The South African nation of Zimbabwe thinks it should jam shortwave broadcasts from outside that nation□s borders. Newzimbabwe.com reports that at a recent Zanu PF party conference it was proposed to jam the signals of foreign-based radio stations such as Voiceof America□s Studio 7, Radio Voice of the People and South West Radio Africa that ruling party officials accuse of pushing a Western-backed regime change agenda in Zimbabwe.

But critics say such a move would deny the majority of people access to important alternative sources of information to make informed decisions. They argue that President Robert Mugabe□s party wants to continue its domination of the airwaves in order to maintain the status quo. But Zanu PF officials maintain these radio stations are breaking the Zimbabwe law and should be jammed. More is on-line at tinyurl.com/zimbabwe-jamming-threats. (Newzimbabwe)

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ON THE AIR: NEW SUPER LOW POWER 80 METER BEACON FROM ITALY

On the air, keep an ear open on 80 meters for a new QRP level propagation signal. The Irish Radio Transmitting Society reports that a new European low power beacon is transmitting on 3574.5 Kilohertz using only 300 milliwatts. The callsign is IZ3NYT with diagrams and pictures at iz3nyt.altervista.org/gallery. Text is in the Italian language. QSN

reports go to IZ3NYT using eQSL or direct. (IRTS)

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ON THE AIR: TC9SAM IN MEMORIAM OF THE ALLAHEKBER MARTYRS

If you contacted special event station TC9SAM between December 20th and the 24th you are being asked to QSL direct only. TC9SAM was to operate at the Turkish Scouting and Guiding Federation's National Conciousness Camp-In held in memoriam to the Allahuekber martyrs. The memorial is a traditional winter march to Allahuekber peak in eastern Turkey held in memory of the 60,000 patriots who were frozen to death while trying to reach the occupied Kars city in December of 1914. In accordance with the camp program operations of TC9SAM were mainly on 80 and 40 meter SSB. (TA1HZ)

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DX

In DX, members of the Lufthansa Amateur Radio Club Frankfurt will be on the air from Vietnam from February 15th to the 26th. They will operate as XV2DLH and will be active on all of the High Frequency bands. QSL□s go via DK8ZZ.

JR1IZM who also holds the call V31IZ will be operational as 7P8ZM from Lesotho through January of 2013. He will be active on all of the High Frequency bands. QSL via JO1CRA

F6ITD will be on the air stroke FG from Guadeloupe and two islands between next February 1st and March 25th. He will be using SSB and the Digital modes during his stay. Logs will be uploaded to both ClubLog and Logbook of the World. QSL via his home call either direct or via the bureau.

GM3YTS, GM4FDM, GM0GAV and GM3POI will be operational as T2GM from Tuvalu between March 12th and the 23rd with their activity will be focused on Europe. The group now has a Web page available at t2gm.org. QSL via GM4FDM.

K1GI will be active stroke VP9 from Bermuda between December 29th and January 2nd. Operations will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and the digital modes. QSL via JG2BRI, direct or electronically using Logbook of the World. No bureau cards will be accepted.

Lastly, AA9A will again be active from Antigua between February 11th and the 20th using a new callsign V24A. Operations should be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and possibly RTTY. QSL via his home callsign either direct or using the bureau.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CUBESAT DESIGNER INTERVIEWED ON SWEDISH RADIO

And finally this week, a Swedish radio show recently featured an interview with Hojun Song, DS1SBO, about his O-S-S-I CubeSat. The broadcast took place on Monday, November 26th and dealt with the Maker and Hacker movement that continues to take the world of home construction by storm. This included the item on DS1SBO, and the CubeSat that is to launch in April of 2013. Here Song discusses his philosophy in developing the OSSI bird:

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DS1SBO: ☐ The point of my project is to freeing all of the technologies that is used in the satellite.☐

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The entire program can be downloaded as an MP3 file at inyurl.com/ossi-cubesat-interview. While Song speaks in English the rest of the show is entirely in Swedish. The interview with DB1SBO begins at about 1 minute and 20 seconds into the show. (Southgate, audio clip from sverigesradio.se)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB, the Southgate News, TWiT-TV and Australia's W-I-A News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline☐. Our e-mail address is newsline(at) arnewsline (dot) org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's☐ only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline☐, 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California, 91350

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors☐ desk, I☐m Skeeter Nash, N5ASH, wishing you a very Merry Christmas from all of us at the Amateur Radio Newsline. 73 and as always, and we thank you for listening.

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Blind Ham Receives Radio Gift From Fellow Hams

Posted: 20 Dec 2012 12:25 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?372812-Blind-Ham-Receives-Radio-Gift-From-Fellow-Hams&goto=newpost

http://www.va3xpr.net/blind-ham-receives-radio-gift-from-fellow-hams/

As everyone knows, the holiday season is all about sharing with others. And what could be better than to give the gift of ham radio! Just ask Heratch Toroian, a.k.a. ☐Rudie☐, VE3OUA, a longstanding member of the Scarborough Amateur Radio Club (SARC) in Toronto, ON, who recently received a brand new Yaesu FT-60 dual band HT from his fellow SARC members. Rudie, a visually impaired ham that uses his HT frequently, had been experiencing problems with his old Yaesu FT-60, which kept him off the air and prevented him from using IRLP & EchoLink on the VA3XPR repeater, one of his favourite modes of communications. So the good members of SARC thought they would help him and that☐s exactly what they did.

☐Rudie☐s radio just was dying out with time and Rudie has been a member of the Scarborough Amateur Radio Club for over 20 + years. Being a white caner with MS, he is a real trouper and the best friend the club could ever have☐ said Ralph Muecke, VE3VXY and President of SARC. ☐He really needed help and that☐s what a club is all about☐, Muecke added.

☐He just asked me to open my left hand and I was so surprised that he put another radio in my hand☐ exclaimed Rudie, about receiving the new radio from Ralph, VE3VXY.

So if you hear Rudie on the air over the holidays, be sure to tell him how good his new radio sounds.

Don

VA3XFT

2618. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 19:20:03 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <kb5150$7on$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1035
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

> It was the night before Christmas all through the land, Not an amateur was
> using the 2 metre band...
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which really pissed off the professional repeater keeper guru.........

2619. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 19:28:18 UTC
From: "GM4DHJ..." <james.stewart497@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <kb51ke$ak3$1@dont-email.me>
Source record: 1036
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

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>>Boeing uses potatoes to test aircraft Wi-Fi
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> "The company's researchers say that potatoes "interact" with electronic
> signals in a similar way to humans."
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> For some reason I don't seem to be surprised by this .
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yes...they could have just used FLs ..........
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2620. eHam.net News for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 23:23:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52999a7cefb3604d1794022@google.com>
Source record: 1037
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eHam.net News

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Ham Radio Operators Play Crucial Role During Weather Emergencies:

Posted: 22 Dec 2012 01:57 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29543

WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP, Mich. (WJBK) -- Dangerous, even life threatening weather, it does happen in metro Detroit from summer storms and tornadoes to the winter storms that bring heavy snow, wind and ice. How many times have we seen widespread and long-lasting power outages when it takes days to have power fully restored? During these events when up-to-the-minute information can be spotty, especially in rural areas, a volunteer network of amateur radio operators jumps into action to relay crucial information. Even with the popularity of cell phones, the passion for ham radio is alive and well, and that's evident at the National Weather Service office in White Lake Township. Modern ham radios are very reliable and have mostly replaced the old tube types used for generations. During my recent visit to the National Weather Service, local operators were talking to fellow ham operators as far away as Florida, Texas and Puerto Rico.

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New York City Ham Wins Appeal, Can Keep His Tower:

Posted: 22 Dec 2012 01:53 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29542

In September 2010, Paul Isaacs, W2JGQ, of New York City, obtained a building permit for his Amateur Radio antenna support structure, comprised of a 40 foot tower topped by a Yagi antenna. Isaacs installed his antenna system on the roof of his four story brownstone -- 58 feet above ground -- in lower Manhattan.

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New Section Manager Appointed in New York City-Long Island:

Posted: 21 Dec 2012 10:08 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29539

Effective January 1, 2013, Jim Mezey, W2KFV, of Carle Place, New York, will be the new ARRL New York City-Long Island Section Manager. ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, appointed Mezey after consulting with current ARRL New York City-Long Island Section Manager Mike Lisenco, N2YBB. Lisenco, who will step down as Section Manager on January 1, was elected as ARRL

Hudson Division Director last month.

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #51 de K7RA:

Posted: 21 Dec 2012 10:02 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29538

It is Friday, December 21, 2012, and the world did not end. To herald this non-event, NASA even produced a wonderful video explaining how the whole thing was a misconception anyway. The Mayan calendar is like an odometer, and when it gets to 999999, it just roles over to 0 and begins anew.

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ARNewsline Report 1845 Dec 21 2012:

Posted: 21 Dec 2012 09:57 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29537

The following is a QST. New Zealand approves a Digital amateur radio repeater to test compatibility with other radio services; the United States says no to a new I-T-U treaty to govern the Internet; the Dutch military wont give up 915 MHz for unlicensed short range devices; and a new eye on the sky down-under will warn of solar eruptions. Find out the details are on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1845 coming your way right now.

2621. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-071E - Distracted Driving Update =96 Ontario Regulations Changed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-22 23:51:48 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50D64737.4080508@rac.ca>
Source record: 1038
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-071E - Distracted Driving Update • Ontario Regulations Changed
2012-12-22

In light of the prorogation of the Ontario Legislature on October 15, 2012, the amateur radio community in Ontario has raised questions regarding the status of the 5-year extension to the amateur radio exemption in the Display Screens and Hand-Held Devices Regulations that was announced by Minister of Transportation Bob Chiarelli on September 24, 2012. Former RAC Honourary Legal Counsel, Steve Pengelly, VE3STV, has advised that prorogation would have had no effect on the announced extension because it was contained in a regulation passed by an order-in-council.

To further address the concern, Radio Amateurs of Canada is pleased to inform Ontario hams that Ontario Regulation 253/12, which can be found at:
http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/source/regs/english/2012/elaws_src_regs_r12253_e.htm
has amended the amateur radio exemption sections of former Ontario Regulation 366/09. Specifically, the •January 1, 2013• portion of section 13(1) and the entirety of section 13(2) of Ontario Regulation 366/09 were struck out and replaced with section 3(1) and 3(2) of Ontario Regulation 253/12, stating the new January 1, 2018 deadline.
The actual amended Ontario Regulation 366/09 can be found at http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/regs/english/elaws_regs_090366_e.htm./

Radio Amateurs of Canada will continue to pursue a permanent exemption for Amateur Radio operators in Ontario. Similar exemptions already exist in many other provincial jurisdictions in Canada - thanks in part to the efforts of local amateurs and RAC's national strategy to address distracted driving legislation.

Radio Amateurs of Canada is Canada's national voice for Amateur Radio. Our efforts not only promote the Amateur Radio Service but protect it from regulatory interference that may lead to less capability to provide emergency communications. Not already a RAC member? Why not join today at www.rac.ca and find out about the many benefits our members enjoy across the country and the world beyond.

It is recommended that you carry a copy of your certificate and a copy of the exemption in your vehicle.

Jeff Stewart, va3wxm - RAC Ontario South Director/Assistant Chairman -
Ontario distracted driving committee
on behalf of Bill Unger, VE3XT - RAC Director Ontario North - East -
Chairman - Ontario distracted driving committee

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2622. HOT 2 HOT SEXY BEST VIDEOS PHOTOS TOOOO U/

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 02:03:32 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <327fa27b-e0c2-421c-b30e-ec3d202dc7af@gg5g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1039

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
SUPER HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
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GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2623. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 22 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 03:25:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010ee4b0be1d004d17ca2cc@google.com>
Source record: 1040
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Brevard radio amateurs ready to tune in for doom - Florida Today

Posted: 18 Dec 2012 10:08 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGDO6a3Vj--SlE_W4ldPE0-a5sUPw&url=http://www.floridatoday.com/article/20121219/NEWS01/312190034/Brevard-radio-amateurs-ready-tune-doom

Brevard radio amateurs ready to tune in for doom
Florida Today
Ham radio enthusiast will be on air on 12/21: Dan Fisher, an amateur radio enthusiast, will be looking to communicate with survivors if the world really does end Friday. By Craig Rubadoux and Tim Walters Posted Dec. 18, 2012 ...

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FCC Finds New Jersey Ham Violated Communication Act, Reduces Forfeiture ... - ARRL

Posted: 13 Dec 2012 09:58 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNERG7DBKhrJP3j6fRnwHTbvOe7SKQ&url=http://www.arrl.org/news/fcc-finds-new-jersey-ham-violated-communication-act-reduces-forfeiture-from-20-000-to-16-000

FCC Finds New Jersey Ham Violated Communication Act, Reduces Forfeiture ...
ARRL
Barbosas Amateur Radio license expired August 31, 2008, but his timely filed renewal application was listed as “Offlined for Enforcement Bureau Action” in the ULS. As such, Barbosa was legally allowed to operate while his case was undergoing the ...
FCC Upholds Fine for Unauthorized Ham OperationRadio World

all 3 news articles

2624. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 23 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 11:22:02 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <20cf30434d42a366f604d1834913@google.com>
Source record: 1041
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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AMSAT receives $25,000 Matching Funds challenge

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/i2b60BNiYW8/amsat_receives_matching_funds_challenge.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW says that we have received a matching
funds challenge! An anonymous donor will match up to $25,000.00 for Fox.
Now is the time to take advantage of this opportunity to double your
donation

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Foundation Amateur Radio Training Android App

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/PlqpNszmSjo/foundation_amateur_radio_training_android_app.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Radio and Electronics School has released a free Amateur Radio
Foundation training App for Android devices described as suitable for both
Australian and UK Foundation students

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SARL Antenna Defence Fund now over 50% of its target

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XlGZXeLQN-k/sarl_antenna_defence_fund_now_over_50%25_of_its_target.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The SARL Antenna Defence Fund has surpassed the 50% mark of the R50 000
target. On Friday the fund stood at R25 100

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4G radio spectrum auction bidders

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C86zG4j_9T8/4g_radio_spectrum_auction_bidders.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On The Register Bill Ray suggests why BT may be entering the auction for 4G
radio spectrum

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GPS Jamming Notice

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jHyxtBp5ksk/gps_jamming_notice_april_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Notification of GPS jamming exercise: Hebrides Ranges, 8 to 12 April 2013

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Unusual radio mast video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7EQqHOjs-Po/unusual_radio_mast_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This unusual video, believed to originate from the Ukraine, shows that the
base of a high-power transmitter mast can be a hazardous place

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Ham radio operators play crucial role during weather emergencies

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/yKeNR_eY-_Y/ham_radio_operators_play_crucial_role_during_weather_emergencies.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Fox TV News reports on the key role that radio amateurs play during extreme
weather conditions

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SARL President's Christmas message on Amateur Radio Today

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/qvgIlt5Fros/sarl_presidents_christmas_message_on_amateur_radio_today.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This morning, the SARL President's Christmas and New Year Message will be
transmitted on Amateur Radio Today. It will also be available in both
written and audio format on the SARL web

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/hBC3w0czrP0/december_23.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at
low to moderate levels. All three visible Sunspots are currently stable.
There is no chance for strong solar flares at this time

2625. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Sunday 23 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 17:21:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <485b397dd0f3a6b21a04d1884eed@google.com>
Source record: 1042
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Mt. Blanc expedition

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 08:19 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373115-Mt-Blanc-expedition&goto=newpost

Hallo guys

we are still far from the 400 visit on the link below (374 as today) and the friend of mine refused to make the whole video :-) (see below)

stay tuned, we are planning a new expeditin ar the end of march on Mt. Breithorn at 4.500mt of altitute!!

I'll post all the info as soon as defined.

Marry Marry Xmas, click on Vimeo link below to see the video, in the meantime for whole movie

link: http://vimeo.com/39717845

Elio, iz2rlj

Hi,

hereby the link at our last HF expedition at almost 4.000mt over the sea.

Great experience!!! Clicking the link you can see a brief "trailer"...and the friend of mine is saying that the whole video will be delivered when the 400 contacts will be reached (now +300) :-) :-)

So I encourage to click our experience and...enjoy. Next spring we are planning to climb on the Breitorn (aroud 4.500mt)...stay tuned & in touch!!

(equipment: Yaesu FT 857, automatic tuner SGC 237, antenna: 10mt vertical with 20 thin copper radials, power: 17Ah AGM Battery)

Elio - Iz2rlj

link: http://vimeo.com/39717845

2626. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Sunday 23 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 17:25:30 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec518664abac39f04d1885dfb@google.com>
Source record: 1043
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Ham Nation 78: Merry Christmas From Ham Nation!

Posted: 22 Dec 2012 10:21 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373007-Ham-Nation-78-Merry-Christmas-From-Ham-Nation!&goto=newpost

Ham Nation 78: Merry Christmas From Ham Nation! is available at
http://twit.tv/hn

HRO Appreciation Day in Atlanta, christmas poems, and turning a Raspberry
Pi into an FM transmitter.

2627. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 23 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 19:41:03 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec51f990d6947de04d18a427e@google.com>
Source record: 1044
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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2013 Southeastern VHF Society Conference

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 11:38 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1979:2013-southeastern-vhf-society-conference&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The 2013 Southeastern VHF Society Conference, sponsored by the Florida Weak Signal Society, will be held 19 and 20 April 2013 at the Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront, 1550 N. Atlantic Ave, Cocoa Beach, FL.

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IRTS 80m Counties Contest 2013

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 11:36 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1978:irts-80m-counties-contest-2013&catid=36:amateur--ham-radio-awards-and-contesting&Itemid=100002

The date for the 2013 IRTS Winter 80m Counties Contest is Tuesday 1st January 2013.

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Easter Island update

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 11:34 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1977:easter-island-update&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

A UK DXpedition team will be active as XR0YG from Easter Island (SA-001) between 20-27th March 2013.

2628. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1092

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 20:28:23 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <359809.29983.bm@smtp107.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1045
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1092
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1092

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1092
BID: $OPDX.1092
December 24, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, N4JF, K6VVA, KH6BZF, WB6RSE, K8GI, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, W8XD, K9MM, W9ILY, 9M2PJU, AT International, DJ4EL, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1HYW, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, JI3DST, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, TA1HZ, VA3RJ & ICPO, and the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) for the following DX information.

*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy Holiday, Merry Christmas and Season's Greetings". Thanks to the many individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....73 and Have a Great Holiday de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 16th-December, through Sunday, 23rd-December there were 217 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B9, RODRIGUEZ ISLAND. Juha, OH1LEG, is now active as 3B9/OH1LEG from Baie du Nord, Rodriguez Island (AF-017, WFF 3BFF-004, WLOTA 4265) until January 7th (2013). Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct only to his home callsign.

9M2, WESTERN MALAYSIA. Piju, 9M2PJU, will be active as 9M2PJU/P between December 31st and January 1st (2013), near the Kepong Metropolitan Lake Park, Kuala Lumpur, along with a few amateur hams. He states [edited], "I will be celebrating the New Year here and will be calling for DX stations on 40m, 20m and 15m, CW mode just to say happy new year to them. I'm OK on QRZ.com. LoTW and eQSL user."

9U, BURUNDI (Update). An international team of operators from ON, PA and GM will be on the air from Bujumbura between February 14-23rd (2013). In total they will have 9 operators and four stations and airing the call-sign 9U4U. Operators currently mentioned are Patrick/ON4HIL, Theo/ON4ATW, Marc/ON6CC, Luc/ON4IA, Ronald/PA3EWP, Marc/ON4AMX, Stefaan/ON4FG and Franky/ON7RU. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL Manager will be M0URX. A Web site is now online at:
http://www.9u4u.be
This DXpedition will also have a Twitter page. Also, this Expedition is organized by the "Belgian Rockall Team".

10th AAW IN FEBRUARY. Look for the 10th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) to take place between February 18-24th (2013). This event is promoted by Worldwide Antarctic Program (WAP) <http://www.waponline.it> each year to improve the world-wide attention about the Antarctic Continent and its related matters, with the aim of staying close to the researchers and personnel who are spending their time away from home and families, studying the Antarctic life and its secrets in the so many remote scientific stations in this icy continent. The WAP is also thankful for what the Nations and Research Foundations are doing to protect this still uncontam-inated corner of the planet and to share a message of peace among the world. The AAW is a unique event world-wide where Hams (in any corners of the world) sign up and help promote the special attention given to the Antarctica. This worldwide event is open to all radio amateurs wishing to join them using a special callsign which help promote the Antarctica. All SES with a WAP reference number will qualify for WAP ASEA (Antarctic Special events Award). The WAP Ref. number for any special callsign requested/issued for this occurrence can be provided upon request by sending an E-mail to I1HYW (QRZ.com). The list of participants is still open and is available at: http://www.waponline.it/Default.aspx?tabid3

AAW ACTIVITIES ANNOUNCED.....
* HF0A (WAP-237) SES (Special Event Station) working AAW. Janusz, SP9YI, informs that he will work as HF0A between January 15th and February 28th (2013) and in particular during 10th AAW. QSL via SP9YI. Janusz already holds WAP-215 for HF36POL and WAP 216 for HF35APAS for past activities, and now he has WAP-237, for HF0A.

* AO1ICE (WAP-233) SES working AAW. During the 10th AAW (Antarctic Activity Week), to be held between February 18-24th (2013), a group of Spanish operators: EC1KV, EB1LA, EA1CUB, EA1CS, EA1WX, EA1AUM and EA1WK will be on the air,like every year; this time with the special callsign AO1ICE just issued. Operations will be on 160-10 meters + the WARC bands, using SSB, CW and RTTY PSK31. As in the previous years, the log will be uploaded every day on ClubLog and also on their website created for this activity at:

http://ea1wk.blogspot.com.es/2012/12/ao1ice-10-antarctic-activity-week-wap.html
Special thanks to Tony, EC7ZK, who did design this 2013 AAW QSL; Vlad, UA6JD, for listing them on QRZ.com and to Max, IK8LOV, for the online log availability. QSLs for AO1ICE can be requested via EA1WK, by the Bureau or direct via the OQRS.

* The full list of SES participating the 10th AAW is updated regularly at the WAP Web site, check: http://www.waponline.it

C6, BAHAMAS. Rick, K6VVA, informs OPDX readers: "I am now scheduled to return to the Bahamas again. This time QRV as C6AVA on North Bimini Island IOTA NA-048 from 11 to 14 January (2013). As always, this will be a primarily CW activation. I may also be QRV in the NAQP CW Contest. IOTA NA-048 is still needed by 86.1% of ASIA/JA IOTA Claimants, 70.2% in EU and more than 54.3% in NA. Special efforts will be made for ASIA/JA as I did from NA-054 due to the polar path route. Hopefully propagation will cooperate.
An important note to Italian IOTA Chasers: If I send your callsign correctly the first time, please do NOT repeat your callsign 2 or 3 times as this unnecessarily wastes time. Stations who repeatedly call out-of-turn (Pileup "Bullies") will be confronted and run the risk of NOT getting into my log. If you cannot copy me, then please do NOT call.
More Info at: http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na048 *** QSL ONLY Via N6AWD."

CENTRAL AMERICA TOUR. Markus, DJ4EL, will be active as XE1/DJ4EL from Tlaxcala (the smallest state of Mexico, rare) at an altitude: 2500m (8200 ft ASL) between now and January 2nd (2013). Activity will be on 20/17/15/12/10 meters SSB using a Kenwood TS-50 with 100 watts into a quads and vertical antennas. He will also be active as V31ME from two islands in Belize: Ambergris Caye (“la isla bonita” - NA-073) and Long Caye (Lighthouse Atoll, rare - NA-123) between January 3-17th (2013). Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters SSB using the same equipment. QSL both operations via DJ4EL.

H40, TEMOTU PROVINCE. Just a reminder that Sigi, DK9FN, will once again return to Temotu Province for a fourth time and be active as H40FN between now and January 7th (2013). QSL H40FN via HA8DD.

IOTA NEWS.....
AS-079. Take, JI3DST, will be active from Miyako Island between 0900z, December 27th and 0000z, January 7th. He states that he will use three different callsigns on the island: JS6RRR (Main), JI3DST/JS6 (Sub) and JA3YEC/JS6 (For JA). Activity will be on

160/80/75/40/30/20/17/15/12/10/6 meters using CW, SSB, FM,
RTTY and PSK31. Operations may vary in case of heavy rains
or other conditions. QSL routes are as follows: JS6RRR via
JS6RRR, JI3DST/JS6 via JI3DST and JA3YEC/JS6 is only 1 way
and does not need your QSL. Via bureau is best. Please check
QRZ.com for more details.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 24-30th)....
Dec/24th HN-LN Dec/27th HN-LN Dec/29th HN-AN
Dec/25th HN Dec/28th HN Dec/30th HN
Dec/26th HN

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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********** NORMALITY GEOMAG K Values Alpha
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AN - Above Normal Quiet K1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K9 100-400

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2013. The Northern Illinois DX Association (NIDXA)
has elected the following officers and directors for 2013:
President: Randy Brothers, K9OR
Vice-President: Wally Klinger, W9BEA
Secretary: Bill Shillington, W9ZCL
Treasurer: Don Whiteman, KK9H
Director: Jack Hudson, W9MU
Director: Howie Huntington, K9KM
Director: Gary Hornbuckle, K9MMS
Director: Jim O'Connell, W9WU

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA ISLAND. Leo, PP1CZ, will be active as PY0F/PP1CZ
from Fernando de Noronha Island between January 15-21st. This will be a
family holiday, so activity will be limited to his free time. Operations
will be focused on 160 and 80 meters CW, and RTTY/CW, as well as some SSB
on the other bands. QSL via his home callsign.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 23rd)

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3B9/OH1LEG via OH1LEG (d) H40FN via HA8DD SM5F via SA5BJM
4A0MAYA via XE3RCC HA100CGCDH via HA0MO SN2012END via SQ5CE
4L5O via 4L5O HL2ZBD/3 via JK3IJQ SV6/DJ8XA via DJ8XA
6E3EM via XE3RKZ HP3AK via W4JS T88NC via XE1TNC
9A203SM via 9A3SM HR2/NP3J via EA5GL TT8FC via EA3GWK
C31CT via EA3QS KH2L via W3HNK UE10SK via R9XC
CK3B via VE3JO N0D via KK5W V5/DK1CE via DH3WO

CM2ECO via EA7HBC OS0X via ON4JM V5/DL3DXX via
DL3DXX
DK40AHLEN via DG8YCA OT4A via ON4AEK VA2SG/DD495 via
VA2SG
EA7/DL8FCL via DL8FCL OT200HC via ON4PRA W1E via AI4U
EA8/DF5JR via DF5JR P29ZAD via NI5DX XE1/DJ4EL via DJ4EL
EA8/RW3DO via RW3DO PD110MVV via PD3R XE1/VE7BDI via
VE7BDI
ED7IVN via EA7IVN RI1ANF via ZS1ANF or RK1PWA XV0VR via DD0VR
(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

7O6T QSL STATUS. It was announced by Dmitry, RA9USU, "On December 18, 2012 we (temporarily) stopped shipping cards out because of the known Russian pre-holiday period extravaganza at Russian Post office. We will resume shipping after New Year's holiday in Russia (Dec 30–Jan 8)."

VU3BPZ QSL STATUS. Bhagwati Prasad has been active for a long time in different years from the Indian Base of Maitri (WAP IND-03) as VU3BPZ and AT10BP, as well as the new Bharati Base (WAP IND-04) as VU3BPZ/P, and as AT10BP/R1, VU3BPZ/R1 from the Russian Base of Novolazevskaya (WAP RUS-09) and then as VU3BPZ/MM from aboard the Polar Ships Paardeberg and Ivan Papanin. Cards for these operations must be requested only direct via I1HYW (see QRZ.com). Unfortunately, no chance to get these QSL cards via the Bureau, so please refrain from sendng them that way. So far, all the cards received have been answered, and now QSLs coming in will be answered the same day they are received.

ZL9HR LOG. On December 21st, it was announced that the ZL9HR log has been uploaded to LoTW!

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5B4AIF, 5C2P, A61BK, BX5AA, EI7M, HC6EP, KH7M, KH7T, KH7X, LP1H, LX0HQ, LZ7HM, P4/R5GA, P40F, PJ4A, T30PY, VE3EJ, VE3YAA, VE6JY, VE7CV, VP2MDG, VP2V/AA7V, YN2CC, VP2MDG and ZC4LI

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, 3B9SP, 3D2C, 4L1MA, 5N/LZ1QK, 7O6T, A31MA, AH0I, CU1ARM, CU2ARA, CU3URA, CU4ARG, CU5AM, CU6GRP, CU9AC, D2QV, D64K, E51AIU, E51TLA, EL2DT, EL2ES, EL2MF, EL2WE, EW7LO, HC2/KF6ZWD, HC2AC, HT9H, LX1NO, NH8S, OA7/DF7NX, OH10X/MM, T30PY, T6MO, TT8TT, V31NO, V31MW, V63PR, VK9/OH1VR, VP2ETE, WH0/K0BBC, Z60K and ZL7A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

SILENT KEY. It was reported that Al Keck, W9YYG, became a Silent Key (SK) last Thursday, December 13th. Al was on the top of the DXCC mixed honor roll and had been a ham for over 60 years. He had been a member of NIDXA since 1971. He was 74. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of W9YYG.

SPECIAL UK PREFIXES (Correction). It was announced in the RSGB magazine that all UK amateurs will be able to apply to use the special V prefix, such as GV, MV and 2V starting July 5th, 2013 (not 2012), until the end

of the month of July. These special prefixes will be used to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB). Further details on this will be announced nearer to the time of the event.

TC9, TURKEY (Special Event). Once again, members of the Turkish Scouting and Guiding Federation's National Conciousness Camp have activated special event station TC9SAM and will be active until December 24th. Activity is in memory of the "Allahuekber Martyrs", and operations will be commemorating the fallen in the Sarikamis Campaign of World War I. The special event station TC9SAM is located in Gaziler and Kaynak villages in the Erzurum Province. In accordance with the camp program, they will be on the air mainly on 40 and 80 meters SSB, but also look out for some PSK31 activity. You can also try to follow the team on APRS. TC9SAM will be operating as an IGate from Gaziler and TC9SAM-7 is the lead scout in the hike, while TC9SAM-8 and TC9SAM-9 will be in support jeeps. QSL only direct to TCSWAT please. They will also QSL via eQSL after their return from the trip. Please DO NOT send any QSL cards via the TA QSL Bureau. QSLs will be sent automatically by TCSWAT 100% via the Bureaus. Detailed info is available on <QRZ.com> and <www.tcswat.org>. The QSL Manager is TA1HZ.

TX5, CLIPPERTON ISLAND (Update). A pres release was posted on the TX5K Clipperton Island DXpedition Web page on December 15th. An excerpt from the post states: "During the weekend of Dec. 10, the European members of the team gathered in Goch, Germany, at the super contest station DR1A, to assemble and pack most of the equipment for the two HF operating sites on Clipperton. The gear includes ten full HF stations; the 6m station will be shipped from the U.S. The effort was led by co-organizer Chris, DL1MGB. The gear includes 6 7kW generators and 50 large Pelican cases of equipment. We welcome Markus van Bergerem, DJ7EO, to the team. He has made arrangements for the generators (six 230 VAC 7 kW). The total team is now 25 persons. We are pleased to announce that we will receive a Colvin Award Grant of 5000 USDs, and also support from the German DX Foundation of 1400 EUR." To read the complete press release, go to: http://www.cordell.org/CI/CI_pages/CI_News.html

VP2M, MONTSERRT. Nao, JN1RVS, is now active as VP2MRV from Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) until January 3rd (2013). Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW and RTTY. QSL via JA1HGY, direct or by the Bureau, and LoTW. There is a log search on ClubLog.

YJ, VANUATU. By the time you read this, Michael, VK2BXE, is expected to be active as YJ0MB from Port Vila until sometime in the New Year. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via his home callsign.

** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER ** The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number. Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number: 1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12th), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE
OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUESTS:
Help: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=help>
Subscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
Unsubscribe: <mailto:opdx-request@barf80.org?subject=subscribe>
OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME PAGE (provided by John, K8YSE):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB PAGES AT:
http://www.nodxa.org
http://www.facebook.com/NorthernOhioDxAssociation

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Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as
KB8NW/OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, please send
via InterNet Mail to: kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org - OR - kb8nw@arrl.net
Information can now be faxed to the following "NEW" phone line at:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

2629. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 23rd December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 21:00:11 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121223210003.970C133C53@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1046
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 23rd December 2012

Christmas & Seasons Greetings

The President officers and committee of the IRTS send Christmas wishes and greetings to all its members and friends at home and abroad.

Echo Ireland

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the next issue of Echo Ireland will not be published until early January. Deadline for inclusion is January 3rd. Your input would be greatly appreciated.

IRTS 80m Counties Contest 2013.

The date for the 2013 IRTS Winter 80m Counties Contest is Tuesday 1st January.

Check the rules at: www.irts.ie/cgi/showrules.cgi?80m Please notice Rule 4.4 and 4.5 and keep the portion of the band between 3.650 and 3.700 clear for non-contesters.

Also notice the change in Rule 10.1 which states Entries must be received by the Contest Manager not more than 14 days after the contest.

Unusual Special Event Station

The call sign November-Zero-Delta ("Now Zero Days"), described as a Doomsday Special Event Station celebrating the end of the World, originally scheduled for last Friday 21st December, was activated during the week.

Listeners to this bulletin on Sunday will know that the "end of the World" has been deferred, at least for the time being. N0D, operating from Texas, has been heard on a number of bands, and was easily workable from EI. In the absence of any major DXpeditions at this time of the year, the Doomsday station provided a good-humoured focus of attention.

EI13CLAN

As you may be aware, 2013 sees a major event entitled 'The Gathering' being promoted both at home and abroad to engage with the Irish Diaspora around the globe. This is a 32 county, cross border, initiative and given the unique ability of Amateur Radio to communicate so effectively, the Society will support the initiative by way of a variety of events and programmes during the year. We will announce particulars early in the new year by way of bulletins on the radio news service, a dedicated page on the IRTS website and of course in Echo Ireland. ComReg has issued to the Society a special event callsign 'EI 13 CLAN' which will be active through out the year, much as our 'EI 80 IRTS' call was used in 2012. We expect that the callsign will generate quite a lot of interest from overseas operators, particularly in the U.S., who have Irish roots, so if there are any members who have a particular interest in genealogy and who would be willing to assist with any such queries please contact Seamus EI8BP, or any member of the committee.

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

2012 was a very busy year for the South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and we look forward to 2013 being an even busier year. During 2012 we took part in many of the contests including the IRTS 80m summer counties contest where we took first place in the SSB only portable section. Congratulations to all involved. We ran some portable event stations from some vintage days including Inistioge and Cavan. We would like to thank the organisers of these events for inviting us and we look forward to returning in 2013. We also held a theory course for the amateur license and it was a great success and many thanks go to Mark EI7IS and David EI6GVB for the time and effort they put into the course. Many thanks to everyone that supported our various events and activities throughout the past year.

There will be no December meeting of the club and the next meeting will take on the 28th of January 2013 in the Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. The meeting will be preceded by a committee meeting at 8.00 pm. New members are always welcome. For up-to-date news about the club you can check our website www.searg.com and you can follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members and all our radio friends and their families in Ireland and around the world a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a healthy and prosperous 2013.

Expansion of UK 5Mhz Frequency

The latest edition of The 5 MHz Newsletter is now available. It is a combined Autumn/Winter edition. One article gives details of expansion of 5Mhz frequency. In brief, the present number of seven 3 kHz-wide

channels have been integrated into and replaced by 11 frequency blocks of varying size. The newsletter can be viewed on http://bit.ly/YqeKJx

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The Lagan Valley ARS Annual Rally

The Lagan Valley ARS annual rally and hamfest will be held on Saturday, 2 March 2013 commencing at 11:30 a.m. The venue will be the Village Centre, 7 Ballynahinch Road,Hillsborough BT26 6AR. Usual traders expected to attend and refreshments available. Admission £3.

Contact Jim, GI0DVU for further information., Tel 04892662270

DX News

Kei KG2A will be QRV from Antigua from 23 - 29 December. He will use the callsign V25A and QSLs go via KG2A direct.

Max HB9TUZ is travelling to the Maldive Islands for a short holiday over the New Year. Look for him on all bands 10 - 80m SSB as 8Q7MS between 26 December and 3 January.

Another short term visitor to Lesotho is Kiyo JR1IZM who has been issued with the callsign 7P8ZM. He will be active until mid-January and QSLs go via his home call.

Prefix hunters will be interested in the callsign 8N119T. This is being used to celebrate the 65th anniversary of the Tokyo Fire Department and will be on the air until 25 March.

Tom DL5NEN and Claudia DO5NEN are reactivating their S79NEN callsign in the Seychelles until 28 December. QSL to DO5NEN.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2630. eHam.net News for Sunday 23 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-23 23:18:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934045906b59504d18d4be2@google.com>
Source record: 1047
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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WIA President Christmas Message:

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 03:49 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29549

In this Christmas message it's customary for the WIA President to thank all the staff at the WIA office and the very many volunteers who have done so much work during the year to keep the wheels turning. This has been a particularly difficult year for the WIA with the untimely passing of our late president Michael Owen VK3KI, but with a lot of hard work and dedication from everyone involved we have come through this transitional period in great shape. I would like to recap some of the achievements of this past year, and in the first broadcast next year I will tell you about some new initiatives that we hope to achieve during 2013. The ITU, the IARU, and the ACMA are where the rubber really hits the road in the WIA's advocacy role for Amateur Radio. They are difficult, time consuming, and expensive, and often go unnoticed by members, but they are the most important work the WIA does for amateur radio, and all radio amateurs, worldwide, benefit.

2631. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 23 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-24 03:32:36 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba212131c6fb0304d190d872@google.com>
Source record: 1048
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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SARL President's Christmas message on Amateur Radio Today - Southgate
Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 12:09 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNHKmVSv9OrvdvQDU65K5p7QG3UtgQ&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/sarl_presidents_christmas_message_on_amateur_radio_today.htm

SARL Presidents Christmas message on Amateur Radio Today
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
This morning, the SARL Presidents Christmas and New Year Message will be transmitted on Amateur Radio Today. It will also be available in both written and audio format on the SARL web at www.sarl.org.za today. In his Christmas message Rassie ...

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Foundation Amateur Radio Training Android App - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 12:10 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGcNUdnMWFhjwkJhRPoHfEN0iFswg&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/foundation_amateur_radio_training_android_app.htm

Foundation Amateur Radio Training Android App
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Foundation Amateur Radio Training Android App. The Radio & Electronics School has released a free Amateur Radio Foundation training App for Android devices described as suitable for both Australian and UK Foundation students. A few months ago the ...

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Ham radio operators ready to tune in on 'doomsday' - Florida Today

Posted: 19 Dec 2012 10:42 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGJdHzRHaO_CACkOaPGGU_I8A9OYg&url=http://www.floridatoday.com/article/20121219/NEWS01/312190034/Ham-radio-operators-ready-tune-doomsday-

Ham radio operators ready to tune in on doomsday
Florida Today
Ham radio enthusiast will be on air on 12/21: Dan Fisher, an amateur radio enthusiast, will be looking to communicate with survivors if the world really does end Friday. By Craig Rubadoux and Tim Walters Posted Dec. 18, 2012 ...

and more

2632. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 24 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-24 11:41:30 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <e89a8f5039e81e9f3a04d197adb8@google.com>
Source record: 1049
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Track Santa with NORAD on December 24

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/YEhmHpRrm_k/track_santa_with_norad_and_agi.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The highly popular NORAD Tracks Santa website will once again follow
Santa's annual journey around the world, updating every three to four
minutes and showing new movies captured by NORAD's special Santa Cams about
once an hour

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Distracted driving update - Ontario regulations changed

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JFq4XGntsO0/distracted_driving_update_ontario_regulations_changed.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In light of the prorogation of the Ontario Legislature on October 15, 2012,
the amateur radio community in Ontario has raised questions regarding the
status of the 5-year extension to the amateur radio exemption in the
Display Screens and Hand-Held Devices Regulations

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ZL9HR donates to the DX Community

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3yATsl2VMgk/zl9hr_donates_to_the_dx_community.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

HARAOA will release the ZL9HR financials which is rarely performed by any
DXpedition. Any excess of donation funds will be donated in order to
sponsor future DXpedition events and return to the DX community

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VK hams gain 472-479KHz band but lose 420-430MHz

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z9wKq7crwrA/vk_hams_gain_472_479khz_band_but_lose_420_430mhz.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The amendment to the Radiocommunication Licence Conditions was registered
on the 21/12/2012 with VK amateurs holding an Advanced licence to gain
access to 472-479khz as of the 1/1/2013

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EI13CLAN

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WfGIYETq2TA/ei13clan.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society report that 2013 will see a major
event entitled 'The Gathering' being promoted both at home and abroad to
engage with the Irish Diaspora around the globe

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/XoKSI99_OWg/december_24.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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Merry Christmas from Ham Nation!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/wZ6SIt9qWpE/merry_christmas_from_ham_nation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In this episode, HRO Appreciation Day in Atlanta, Christmas poems, and
turning a Raspberry Pi into an FM transmitter

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HamRadioNow - FCC Year in Review

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/huNbATd4_UM/hamradionow_fcc_year_in_review.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

From some new ham bands to No Relief from CCR's, Gary KN4AQ looks at the
year's highs and lows with the FCC

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Fun with a few 9V batteries. (244 of them)

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/3Rel70qf-g4/fun_with_a_few_9v_batteries_244_of_them.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows what can be done with 244 nine volt batteries

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A Saturday afternoon for Part-Time Scientists!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fyADRqTN-pc/a_saturday_afternoon_for_part_time_scientists.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Part-Time Scientists is a group of volunteer hackers and engineers who aim
to send a privately-built amateur radio rover to the Moon

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ZS5POL SERVAMUS/STRUCTURE

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/C2DGqgTSGRE/zs5pol.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ZS5POL structure for 2013

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/A7rCsuiREKg/dxcc_report_2412.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
16th-December, through Sunday, 23rd-December there were 217 countries active

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/r1z37Gx2Tjs/history_24_december.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2633. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 17 - 23 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-24 16:30:05 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121224163001.CCA8333C53@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1050
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Dec 24 1306 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
17 - 23 December 2012

Solar activity was low. Only C1/Sf level flares were observed.
Region 1633 (S07, L=111, class/area=Eki/340 on 17 December) was the
most productive, with eight C1 flares to its credit. Six of these
occurred in the last two days of the week. While it was the largest
region on the disk at the beginning of the week, it ended tied with
Region 1635 (N09, L=64, class/area=Ehi/250 on 21 December) with an
area of 200 microhemispheres. Both Regins 1633 and 1635 ended the
period with beta-gamma magnetic configurations. No earth-directed
CMEs were observed.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at
background levels all week.

Geomagnetic field activity was at predominantly quiet levels all
week. There were two exceptions. A positive polarity, southern
hemisphere recurrent coronal hole high speed stream brought
unsettled conditions and the only active period of the week on 17
December. At high latitudes, a single major storm period was
observed. Later in the week, another positive polarity coronal hole
high speed stream, this time in the northern hemisphere, brought a
single unsettled period on 20 December. Activity reached minor storm
levels at high latitudes. During both high speed streams, solar wind
speed reached the low 500 km/s range while the southward component
of the interplanetary magnetic field dipped to approximately -6 nT.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
24 December - 19 January 2013

Solar activity is expected to be at predominantly low levels during
the forecast period, with a slight chance for an M-class event.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background levels throughout the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominantly quiet levels with the exception of 29-30 December and 13 January when recurrent coronal hole high speed streams are expected to bring unsettled conditions.

2634. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-072E - Regulations Amending the ContraventionsRegulations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-24 17:16:25 UTC
From: rac-bulletins@eton.ca
Message-ID: <50D88D98.5060708@rac.ca>
Source record: 1101
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-072E - Regulations Amending the Contraventions
Regulations
2012-12-22

There has been an announcement in the Canada Gazette as to changes in
the Contraventions regulations concerning the enforcement of the
Radiocommunication Regulations.

These changes will allow peace officers including Municipal,
Provincial and RCMP police officers to issue tickets for certain
offences under the Radiocommunication Regulations.

The changes may be seen at:

<http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2012/2012-11-21/html/sor-dors236-eng.h
tml>

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protect it from regulatory interference that may lead to less
capability to provide emergency communications. Not already a RAC
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benefits our members enjoy across the country and the world beyond.

Bill Gade, VE4WO
Regulatory Affairs

Vernon Ikeda - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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For more information or to change your subscription please visit:
http://rac.eton.ca/racbullemail.htm

2635. eHam.net News for Monday 24 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-24 23:36:55 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae934065bebb73e04d1a1ab03@google.com>
Source record: 1102
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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From Fringes, Hams Now Tune into Mainstream:

Posted: 24 Dec 2012 02:24 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29550

A decade is a long time for anything to either wither and die or take root and flourish. Returning to Chennai after 10 years, Hamfest India - a celebratory congregation of hams across the country - finds the hobby thriving. In recent years, software-defined radios and social media have made it more accessible and attractive to a large number of people in the city, especially youngsters. "There is now a website - chennaihams.blogspot.in - and a Facebook page. The main driver of growth is cutting-edge technology, which has shrunk the sizes and prices of handsets. Manufactured in China, these instruments come cheap, at Rs. 5,000 or Rs. 6,000 a piece. In the past, it took Rs. 15,000 to Rs. 20,000 to invest in one," says G. Vipin Shankar, a city ham and webmaster of the site.

2636. HOT VIDEOS FOR YOUTH AND ALL ADULT PEOPLE 2012 SEXY PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-25 01:25:16 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <aca19bfe-4317-4e54-9122-ec8df29e8bfb@pd8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1103

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

HOT HOT LIP KISS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
SUPER HOT NEVER SEEN
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/sap-interview-questions-and-answers.html

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hardware jobs
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networking jobs
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/networking-jobs.html
datawarehousing jobs
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2637. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 25 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-25 11:37:57 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51f990d7fbea304d1abbde5@google.com>
Source record: 1104
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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New MF band

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/P5j9walAAtc/new_mf_band.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following the World Radio Conference in 2012, the frequency band 472 kHz to 479 kHz (630 Metres) will formally be available to radio amateurs in many countries from January 1, 2013

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Raspberry Pi for Amateur Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tE2FZbsCBdM/raspberry_pi_for_amateur_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

In Series Five Episode Twenty-Six of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast Martin M1MRB reviews the Raspberry Pi for Amateur Radio

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January 432 and Above EME Newsletter

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-TwFDGAtRjA/january_432_and_above_eme_newsletter.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The free amateur radio 432 MHz and Above EME Newsletter features a moon bounce contact made using an antenna inside a Motel room

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Vijayawada is emerging as Hub of Ham activities

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/z0o2ij3LlUw/vijayawada_is_emerging_as_hub_of_ham_activities.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

We are happy to inform you that Ham Radio License examination shall be conducted on 27th of this month at 10am in VR Siddartha Engineering College, Vijayawada

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Regulations amending the Contraventions Regulations

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ue2f5IbX2lM/regulations_amending_the_contraventions_regulations.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

There has been an announcement in the Canada Gazette as to changes in the
Contraventions regulations concerning the enforcement of the
Radiocommunication Regulations

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G3ETH Vintage Wireless video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pMSvuayt7l0/g3eth_vintage_wireless_video.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video shows the Vintage Wireless Collection of John Goldberg, G3ETH,
recorded in 1993 by the Chester and District Radio Society

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Straight Key Night on OSCAR 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/bgUCAr7Rdaw/straight_key_night_on_oscar_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

You are cordially invited to participate in Straight Key Night on OSCAR
2013, conducted by AMSAT for all radio amateurs throughout the world

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New satellite launch vehicle to carry CubeSat Swarm in 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/tsJJz1NkrbY/new_satellite_launch_vehicle_to_carry_cubesat_swarm_in_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

2013 should see the first flight of a new satellite launch vehicle, Super
Strypi, also known as SPARK (Space-borne Payload Assist Rocket – Kauai)

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IRTS 80m Counties Contest 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7suLDQoxjTs/irts_80m_counties_contest.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The date for the 2013 IRTS Winter 80m Counties Contest is Tuesday 1st
January

2638. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Tuesday 25 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-25 17:26:21 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba212131a0a26904d1b09b6b@google.com>
Source record: 1105
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Philippines activates emergency net 7.095 MHz

Posted: 25 Dec 2012 07:17 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373301-Philippines-activates-emergency-net-7-095-MHz&goto=newpost

Philippines activates emergency net 7.095 MHz

The Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA)
Inc. has activated its emergency net to deal with whatever contingencies
that may arise due to typhoon Quinta making landfall by Dec 26.

As of the moment the typhoon is situated some 60 kilometers
east of Guiuian Eastern Samar. It packs a 65 to 90 kph gustiness near the
center.

Please advise all operators to stand clear from the calling
frequency of 7.095 MHz plus minus QRM. We will be using the frequency
until we stand down from our emergency net and return to normal operations.

First off the information thread, Nathan Eamiguel, DU5AOK, has
relayed that the City of Tacloban has ordered a forced pre-emptive
evacuation of Barangay Palanog and other low-lying areas in Tacloban City
as of 5:20 PM local time.

Thank you and Merry Christmas.

Ramon J. Anquilan, DU1UG

Vice COO, PARA

Philippine Amateur Radio Association (PARA)

http://www.para.org.ph/news.htm

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/dec...rgency_net.htm

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LoOG4OM Christmas release

Posted: 24 Dec 2012 06:07 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373200-LoOG4OM-Christmas-release&goto=newpost

LOG4OM Christmas release!

Apologies for a small delay!

I announced a forthcoming new feature in a previous post, unfortunately time and other priorities have meant that this new feature will now not be included until January 2013, just in time for LOG4OM☐s first birthday!

LOG4OM is a free general-purpose logbook that has been specifically designed for the DXer and contester, this new feature is aimed squarely at the type of operator that enjoys a rag chew and those that are involved in emergency and general nets, more about this later!

Data Accuracy.

We pride ourselves in having provided a better lookup facility than any other logging program, with inclusion of a Country file and Special call list that are updated daily by K7PT plus the included Clublog Exception list, LOTW Users and IOTA databases. These combined with QRZ and HamQTH online lookups ensure that our data is extremely accurate.

As with any system there are anomalies that cause issues and the most frequent one encountered by all logging programs is resolving the position of the DX identification prefix in relation to the ☐/☐.

Some stations positioning the DX Prefix in the correct position before the ☐/☐ while others insist on using the DX Prefix as a suffix by placing it after the ☐/☐

Then there is the added complication of deciding which part of the call is the operators☐ call sign and which is the DX Prefix, especially with operator calls that have 4 characters being used with DX identifiers that use a 4 character prefix. Resolving VP2M/K7PT and K7PT/VP2M correctly is a nightmare that all logging programs struggle with.

Daniele has applied some very special logic to this issue and I am please to say that this latest release has nailed the ☐/☐ issue once and for all and I believe we now have a more accurate system of call data processing than any other logbook available, free or commercial.

This release.

Other enhancements in this release include a facility to bulk update distance and heading to overcome issues with missing data in imported ADIF☐s and further streamlining of our already excellent DX cluster feature.

The latest user guide and download are here
http://www.pisto.it/wordpress/log4om-en/

Release notes

· Improved call lookup for odd ☐/☐ calls where the entity identifier could be confused with the operators call sign ☐ LOG4OM now resolves these unusual calls where other programs cannot.

· Added a routine to update distance and heading in the bulk update facility where imported ADIF☐s from other programs have missing data.

· Cluster connection checking added by interrogation of the cluster every 90 seconds if no spot is received.

· Cluster threading changed to improve performance.

· Several speed enhancement tweaks.

· Window position remembered on shutdown

· Removed the call sign reference from address label to avoid content identification

· Included a ☐None☐ value to the ☐QSL sent via field☐ in the edit screen ☐ Now updates when editing

· Added an ☐Empty☐ field in ☐QSL sent Via☐ drop down

The LOG4OM team wishes all radio amateurs Worldwide a happy Christmas and a healthy and happy new year ☐ Good DX.

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HamRadioNow: FCC Year in Review

Posted: 23 Dec 2012 06:14 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373106-HamRadioNow-FCC-Year-in-Review&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episodes 43: FCC Year in Review for Amateur Radio

Gary takes a not-so-nostalgic look back at the FCC actions that affected ham radio this past year. On the plus side,

we get some ham bands you'll probably never use; we get primary status on 160 meters that won't really change anything;

we got off that one bad channel on 60 meters and we get to use CW and data there... inefficiently. And MotoTRBO

is about to become legal. On the down side of the ledger, the FCC "studied" us and concluded that we're really good guys

who don't have a problem with CC&R's, and the comments (not) left by hams in that proceeding don't give us much

ammunition to dispute the statement. Gary's got a cold, so maybe that's why he's coming off more like

Scrooge the weekend before Christmas.

Watch this episode on our web site, www.HamRadioNow.tv.

to support these programs, visit

HAMRADIONOW.tv

and 'click the pig'

2639. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Tuesday 25 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-25 17:26:56 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e813ef731c704d1b09dfe@google.com>
Source record: 1106
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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Field day 10 meter beacon balloon 28.224 mhz (Closed case)

Posted: 24 Dec 2012 10:43 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373276-Field-day-10-meter-beacon-balloon-28-224-mhz-(Closed-case)&goto=newpost

I finish what I start but the original post has been closed.

http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php...on-28-224-mhz&

Hunters 80 miles of balloon launch site found the payload in a tree after
all these months.

Looking forward to its return home.

Jim,N2NXZ

2640. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Tuesday 25 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-26 03:09:40 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301cc3767f995404d1b8c244@google.com>
Source record: 1107
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio enthusiasts seek wider following - Memphis Commercial Appeal

Posted: 25 Dec 2012 02:48 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH15rPQuZwVR8kLrFf3XG72bnGIcQ&url=http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/dec/25/ham-radio-enthusiasts-seek-wider-following/

Ham radio enthusiasts seek wider following
Memphis Commercial Appeal
Ham radio is not merely a hobby, however, as any natural or civil disaster can reveal. It is a way for leaders and citizens of a city, region or nation to communicate in a time of crisis. The communication method, also known as amateur radio, is ...

2641. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 26 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-26 11:07:44 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <14dae9340459159ea504d1bf7053@google.com>
Source record: 1108
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Tropical storm Quinta hits the Philippines

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pYAyhqqoODY/tropical_storm_quinta_hits_the_philippines.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Activated again for Tropical Storm Quinta are members of the Philippines Amateur Radio Association emergency net on 7.095 MHz and VHF, to handle any emergency and welfare traffic

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Amateur Radio balloons recovered in Morocco and Mississippi

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CnZhubj-k8U/amateur_radio_balloons_recovered_in_morocco_and_mississippi.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Amateur radio high altitude balloons K6RPT-12 and N0D have been recovered in Morocco and Mississippi

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2012 DXpedition of the Year poll

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/aKZXi5dxc64/dxpedition_of_the_year.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The long-awaited DX World.net 2012 DXpedition of the Year poll is now available!

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Bahamas IOTA operation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZVNk8MsGinQ/bahamas_iota_operation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Rick, K6VVA is scheduled to return to the Bahamas again. This time QRV as C6AVA on North Bimini Island IOTA NA-048 from 11 to 14 January (2013)

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Central America tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SBHZ48325qw/central_america_tour.htm?ut

m_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Markus, DJ4EL, will be active as XE1/DJ4EL from Tlaxcala (the smallest state of Mexico, rare) at an altitude: 2500m (8200 ft ASL) between now and January 2nd (2013)

2642. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Wednesday 26 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-26 17:08:18 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93b649a97e4c504d1c47914@google.com>
Source record: 1109
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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Tropical storm Quinta hits the Philippines

Posted: 26 Dec 2012 02:45 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373365-Tropical-storm-Quinta-hits-the-Philippines&goto=newpost

Tropical storm Quinta hits the Philippines

Activated again for Tropical Storm Quinta are members of the
Philippines Amateur Radio Association emergency net on 7.095 MHz and VHF,
to handle any emergency and welfare traffic.

PARA Vice Chief Operating Officer, Ramon J. Anquilan DU1UGZ,
requested that the HF channel be kept clear to deal with whatever
contingencies may arise.

The Ham Emergency Radio Operators know what to do, with about
20 typhoons in the archipelago every year, often causing death and
destruction.

Communities were on put on alert Christmas Day as a low
pressure area developed into a storm and made landfall on Wednesday,
December 26 to travel through the Visayas. Officials warned that the areas
within a 350 kilometre diameter of Tropical Storm Quinta should expect
heavy to intense rainfall.

The public warnings included more heavy rains, possible flash
floods and landslides over the next few days.

Pre-emptive evacuations were ordered for several islands and
low lying areas, which included some areas already badly affected earlier
by Typhoon Pablo that destroyed houses and agricultutal land in early
December.

Hundreds of ferry passengers are left stranded during the
latest storm. Warnings have been also issued to fishing and small seacraft
to stay tied up over the eastern seaboard off Luzon and over the Visayas
and Mindanao.

Those affected earlier this month by Typhoon Bopha are in
temporary shelters and relying on donated food.

Bopha was the most intense storm to hit the Philippines
recently, affecting communities near the coast in the southern provinces

with 1,067 dead and more than 800 missing.

Jim Linton VK3PC

Chairman IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee,

with

Ramon J. Anquilan DU1UGZ

PARA Vice Chief Operating Officer

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/dec...hilippines.htm

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Amateur Radio balloons recovered in Morocco and Mississippi

Posted: 26 Dec 2012 02:41 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373364-Amateur-Radio-balloons-recovered-in-Morocco-and-Mississippi&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio balloons recovered in Morocco and Mississippi

Amateur radio high altitude balloons K6RPT-12 and
N0D have been recovered in Morocco and Mississippi.

K6RPT-12 was launched from California on December 3 at 0126
UT, successfully crossed North America and the Atlantic, and landed in
Morocco on December 5 at 0923 UT.

On Christmas Day Ron K6RPT announced that his California
Near Space Project payload had been recovered by a team of French and
Moroccan amateur radio operators in Morocco on December 23.

More details and pictures at

http://www.californianearspaceprojec...s_cnsp-18.html

N0D (BLT-32) was launched late on December 15 but the
balloon burst over Mississippi the following day. It was found on December
20 by a hunter in Mississippi who rang the team to ask what the heck was
in the box he found with all the wires hanging out!

Californian 144.390 FM APRS balloon

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/dec...tish_isles.htm

Transatlantic high altitude balloon bursts

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/

transatlantic_high_altitude_balloon_bursts.htm

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/dec...ississippi.htm

2643. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Wednesday 26 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-26 17:39:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b827e725404d1c4e7dd@google.com>
Source record: 1110
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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"BACK TO THE FUTURE" W9BSP Event 1-05-13

Posted: 25 Dec 2012 10:19 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373314-quot-BACK-TO-THE-FUTURE-quot-W9BSP-Event-1-05-13&goto=newpost

Announcing

"Back to the FUTURE" -W9BSP KW-AM Transmitter

3.885 mHz AM - 7 PM Central - January 5, 2013

Larry Woodworth WØHXS

Ensor Park and Museum Mgr.

http://www.W9BSP-W9UA.org/ [URL]

12/25/2012

When we stumble, we get up and go again!

Here's what has happened so far;

The 75 year old kilowatt rig was built in 1937 by Marshall H. Ensor for continued 1930's 160 Meter lessons in Morse code and operating theory to thousands of radio fans tuning in his AM and Modulated CW lessons.

The Marshall Ensor Memorial Organization Restore Team worked often over more than 2 years at the Olathe, KS. Ensor Park and Museum during off season hours and succeeded in installing newly built high voltage power supply and new modulation amplifier below the operating desk of the 75 meter W9BSP-W9UA KW transmitter.

Many aged and unsafe wires were replaced along with other components as needed. Much testing took place along the way. Head technician, Harry Krout WØYQG assisted by son Joe, WØPWJ managed the arduous task aided by original hand drawn layouts and schematics by Ensor. Larry Woodworth WØHXS helped devise methods to insert or remove the heavy supplies safely below the desk as well as some transmitter safety features.

Numerous power tests took place into oil can dummy load as well as into the antenna system using a more power rated tuner and feed line elements. Everything seemed to be OK. Information of a December 8 th Special Event

was published.

Many hams were on frequency awaiting a chance for contacting the famous W9BSP station, and our crew came in from a light rain to ready for the event. During a last minute check of full power into the antenna the rig did not like any part of the attempt and had an SWR off the scale. They checked for why the problem existed, and only the antenna could be blamed. The failure was a disappointment for all.

Over the next days all questionable details of antenna design pointed to faulty insulator installation that never showed up during low power use of the club transceiver, but the high power and the wet dipole ended our quest.

Some on air tests prove that we are now ready for the post holidays renewed Special Event.

Our special 6-panel QSL w/ historic photos is available for a SASE to Joe Krout WØPWJ Trustee or we will reply to e-QSL. Thank you, and 73.

2644. eHam.net News for Wednesday 26 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-26 23:04:15 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93a112faad89b04d1c97208@google.com>
Source record: 1111
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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WIA: The New 630 Meter Band is Now a Reality:

Posted: 26 Dec 2012 12:32 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29552

ACMA Makes Amendments to the Amateur Licence Conditions Determination (LCD) - The new 630 meter band is now a reality. Effective from the 1st January 2013, Australian Advanced amateur licensees can now operate in the new band (630 meters) on a secondary basis. This new world wide allocation from 472 kHz to 479 kHz is an outcome of the ITU World Radio Conference in 2012 (WRC-12). The ACMA has amended the conditions in the LCD that gives effect to the WRC outcomes authorising a radiated power of not more than 5 watts pX EIRP, with a maximum emission bandwidth of 2.1 kHz. There is however two exclusion zones where amateur operation is not permitted so as to protect aeronautical non-directional beacons (NDB) operating in the Exmouth and Timor regions.

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Ham Radio Enthusiasts Seek Wider Following:

Posted: 25 Dec 2012 01:38 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29551

Ham radio was what kept him in touch with his loved ones while he lay in bed recovering from the chemotherapy. "You can sit in your bunny slippers and talk to your buddies," said Tim Billingsley, an employee of DeSoto County Emergency Services. Ham radio is not merely a hobby, however, as any natural or civil disaster can reveal. It is a way for leaders and citizens of a city, region or nation to communicate in a time of crisis. The communication method, also known as amateur radio, is effective when land lines or cellular service, perhaps because of an overload of use, won't work. Thanks to local enthusiasts like Billingsley, the Olive Branch area is better prepared in case of disaster. The Olive Branch Amateur Radio Club this summer completed installation of a radio repeater and antenna. The structure, atop the water tower at Craft Road and U.S. 78, increases the signal, providing at least 30-mile radius coverage. While radio range depends on several factors including antenna height, repeaters are vital to boosting range. Without repeaters, many common radio signals would have a range of only about five to 10 miles. "Everything is operational," said Billingsley who has been working with ham radios about 15 years. "We've been waiting (for this). When we put it on the water tower we greatly increased its usable range."

2645. HOT VIDEOS 2 HOT PEOPLE AND ACTRESSES NEVER SEEN PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-27 01:41:45 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <e52c6c92-ab2d-4a94-9739-3cf94931af61@vb8g2000pbb.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1112

VERY VERY VERY HOT HOT HOT ONLY HOT
http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-for-youth.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-101.html
YOUTH HOT PHOTOS
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/hot-lip-kiss-12.html
ONLY HOT HOT
http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/datawarehousing-jobs.html
GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2646. [RAC-Bulletin] RAC Bulletin 2012-073E - Reminder Regarding the Winter Day Contest

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-27 02:57:25 UTC
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Message-ID: <50DBB8FD.5010107@rac.ca>
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

RAC Bulletin 2012-073E - Reminder Regarding the Winter Day Contest
2012-12-26

In our recent RAC Report I erroneously stated that the RAC Winter Day Contest was on the 28th of December, 2012.

From the Contest Rules "2012 RAC Canada Winter Contest/Concours D'Hiver du Canada RAC 2012": Contest Period: 0000 UTC to 2359 UTC December 29, 2012. Next year the contest will be held on December 28, 2013.

We will look for you on the air 0000 UTC to 2359 UTC December 29, 2012!

For information and contest rules on both RAC Winter and Summer Contests set your browser to:
http://www.rac.ca/en/rac/programmes/contests/

Take care. I hope that everyone has a great contest, a great New Years Day and a healthy and prosperous 2013.

Geoff Bawden, VE2BAW
President and Chair RAC

Vernon Ikedaz - VE2MBS/VE2QQ
Pointe-Claire, Qu&#65533;bec
RAC Blog Editor/RAC E-News/Web News Bulletin Editor

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2647. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Wednesday 26 December 2012

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Date: 2012-12-27 03:25:41 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec52999a7703af204d1cd1929@google.com>
Source record: 1114
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur Radio balloons recovered in Morocco and Mississippi - Southgate
Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 25 Dec 2012 11:38 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEYLLHNm3xykoHo8jdnESI56VZq6g&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/amateur_radio_balloons_recovered_in_morocco_and_mississippi.htm

Amateur Radio balloons recovered in Morocco and Mississippi
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
... and landed in Morocco on December 5 at 0923 UT. On Christmas Day Ron
K6RPT announced that his California Near Space Project payload had been
recovered by a team of French and Moroccan amateur radio operators in
Morocco on December 23.

2648. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Thursday 27 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-27 07:26:13 UTC
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Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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14th Annual "Ham Radio University" on Long Island - January 6, 2013

Posted: 25 Dec 2012 05:13 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373347-14th-Annual-quot-Ham-Radio-University-quot-on-Long-Island-January-6-2013&goto=newpost

The 14th annual Ham Radio University (HRU) will be held on Sunday, January 6, 2013 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Briarcliffe College, 1055 Stewart Avenue, Bethpage, NY 11714

A day of activities at which hundreds of Amateur Radio enthusiasts will share ideas, experiences, knowledge and fellowship, Ham Radio University also will be the New York City/Long Island Section Convention of ARRL: The National Association for Amateur Radio☐.

The event will include more than 25 informational forums moderated by local experts in a broad range of Amateur Radio activities including: Tips, Tricks and Techniques of the Best Operators', 'Echolink', 'Advanced Scanner Forum', 'Azores Nine Island Hunt ☐ The Other Side of the Pileup', 'Advanced D-STAR raspberry pi', 'LINUX' and a workshop on how to use and place connectors and another on Digital Interfacing.

The keynote speaker will be Bill Cross W3TN, Staff member in the Federal Communications Commission☐s Mobility Division -- part of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

A live ham radio station will be operating throughout the event and visitors will be able to experience ham radio communications firsthand by getting ☐on the air☐. There also will be a session in the afternoon for those who would like to take a Federal Communications Commission license examination to become a ☐ham☐ radio operator.

Ham Radio University is a cooperative effort supported by radio clubs and related organizations in the New York City - Long Island area. This year the event is being sponsored by the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club (LIMARC). The American Radio Relay League (ARRL), the Radio Central Amateur Radio Club, The Kings County Repeater Association, the Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club, CERT, the Salvation Army, National Weather Service, Friends of Long Island Wireless, Nassau Amateur Radio Club and others will have tables in the Club Room with information available about ham radio classes, public service events and other activities.

Further information and the forum schedule is on line at:
http://www.HamRadioUniversity.org There will be free parking and the
cafeteria will be open for breakfast and lunch. The suggested donation for
attendees is $3.00.

2649. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Thursday 27 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-27 11:41:19 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <bcaec51f990d1e313c04d1d406ff@google.com>
Source record: 1116
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Another storm disaster ends in the Philippines

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/iUm-pNwnC9o/another_storm_disaster_ends_in_the_philippines.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Spare a thought for those who spent a nervous, very wet and windy Christmas period as Tropical Storm Quinta went through the south of the Philippines, in areas trying to recover from Tyhoon Bopha earlier in the month

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IRESC to have new President and Executive January 1st 2013

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/MN6ZEScHKuo/iresc_to_have_new_president_and_executive.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

International Radio Emergency Support Coalition {IRESC} held it’s AGM on Sunday 23rd December 2012; the AGM was compact and dynamic with wide range of contribution coming from members

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Tony's 10 Metre Band Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7SwlyHv5N80/december_27.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A slack week to say the least. I think it is the first time I can ever remember a Monday being the best day. 4A0MAYA was obviously the main DX of the week. Folks had to get that one in before the end of the world! And obviously to save money, they only licensed it for the one day

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Ham Radio Priest, 94, oldest actively working in Michigan

Posted:
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Anthony Majchrowski W8QXL, the oldest actively working priest in Michigan, turned 94 Monday and said he has no plans to retire

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SA AMSAT Space Symposium - call for papers

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The 2013 SA AMSAT Space Symposium will be held on Saturday 18 May 2013 at
the Innovation Hub in Pretoria. This is the first call for papers

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Burundi DXpedition

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/WyI5LC3-aog/burundi_dxpedition.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An international team of amateur radio operators from ON, PA and GM will be
on the air from Bujumbura between February 14-23rd (2013)

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RAC Winter Day Contest

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In a recent RAC Report, it was erroneously stated that the RAC Winter Day
Contest was on the 28th of December, 2012

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Ham radio enthusiasts seek wider following

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/UYXM5WkW3K4/ham_radio_enthusiasts_seek_wider_following.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Tim Billingsley KD5CKP used amateur radio to keep in touch while recovering
from chemotherapy

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10th Antarctic Activity Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/CSPNSdcIRfc/10th_antarctic_activity_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Look for the 10th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) to take place between
February 18-24th (2013)

2650. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Thursday 27 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
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Source record: 1117
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QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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2012 DXpedition of the Year

Posted: 24 Dec 2012 03:56 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373262-2012-DXpedition-of-the-Year&goto=newpost

The long awaited DX World.net 2012 DXpedition of the Year is now available!This was an incredibly difficult poll to decide on considering so many notable expeditions took place during the last 12 months. It□s conceivable that up to 40 different DXpeditons could have been nominated, however, a short-list of 26 make the poll.In previous years the poll was limited to three or five votes. This year we have decided to allow free voting on as many DXpeditions you wish to select. In addition, to prevent repeat votes*, an account must be created using your callsign and QRZ.com listed email address. Once created you will receive an email then you are ready to vote.The poll closes on January 15, 2013 where full results and eventual winner will be revealed. Share with friends and pass the word that the 2012 DXpedition of the Year poll is now open!*Note: Fake, dupe or dummy votes are checked.73!Col, MM0NDX & Max, IK8LOV

DX World.net

2651. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Thursday 27 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-27 17:13:20 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
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QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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HRD Log for Contest

Posted: 26 Dec 2012 05:44 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373443-HRD-Log-for-Contest&goto=newpost

I am wondering if I can get some insight as to how to use the HRD Logging program for the upcoming RAC Winter Contest. My first foray into contesting was in the Fla QSO Party followed by the RAC Canada Day Contest in 2012. For those contests I kept a paper log and manually entered into Cabrillo format for submission (a task I do not wish to replicate). I have HRD up and running and controlling my rig and it would be easy to use the logging software for the contest since it records time, mode, band and freq automatically and I only need to input the power output once if I don't change it throughout the contest. I have hit the Contest button at the top, and RAC Contest is there, but it doesn't allow me to enter the province in the log. Also I can't figure out for the life of me how to copy only a certain portion of the log to cabrillo format for submission. I can copy one or all but it doesn't seem to want me to copy just the days QSO's. I don't want to submit my whole log as many are not from the contest and I would rather not have to copy each individually since that would be almost as arduous as entering the data by hand.

Any help would be appreciated

73,Paul

VE1PEW

2652. MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 52 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-27 20:41:45 UTC
From: MMMonVHF Newsletter <noreply@mmmonvhf.de>
Message-ID: <20121227204118.9459812330FD5@server13.web4a.de>
Source record: 1119
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

MMMonVHF Newsletter No. 1/ WEEK 52 2012

Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER from the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de), dated 2012-12-27
We try to distribute our Newsletter, once a week on thursday;
if any special activity will make it necessary
we will inform you with Breaking News or a Special NL-Edition.
For further details please be so kind and look at our "News"-page
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - you are welcome for any
input and we hope you will enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

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Latest NEWS and INFO for the NEWSLETTER
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############## HAPPY NEWYEAR & GOOD DX FOR 2013 ##############

MMMonVHF Team

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HOT 144 MHz MS & EME DX-PEDITION NEWS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DXCC: ZL ; New Zealand ; Square: RF73hc ; start 2012-11-10

YU7AA be qrv from RF73hc next 2 month...
RIG 144 IC821 +300W LNA NE54143 ant 2M18xxx

SOURCE: tnx to YU7AA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: DL ; Germany ; Square: JO44 ; start 2013-03-01

DL0AT qrv from JO44HI
Aktivate the Lighthouse Westerhever with big power on the top on the lighthouse.
2x7 ele es 2x 9 ele with 2x 750 watts. FED: 260; LH 0063

SOURCE: tnx to Andy, DG3XA, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 5W ; Samoa ; Square: AH36 ; start 2013-04-04

5W0M (AH36TN) on 144 MHz EME
A German team will activate Samoa from Le Lagoto on Savaii in the northern part of the
island

from 80m thru 6m. The good news is that very experienced moon bouncer and DXpeditioner Joe DL9MS joined the group and will take care of EME operations on 144 MHz. 5W0M will be QRV from 4 April to 18 April 2013 however, for Central Europe the EME window will open only around 8 April

Source: http://5w0m.hkmann.de/?Home

** DXCC: OJ0 ; Market Isl. ; Square: JP90 ; start 2013-06-12

OH8K team plans to go OJ0 Market Island, June 12-16 2013.
Qrv on 2m EME and MS. Call is confirmed: OJ0C
Team Jukka OH8MSM, Sami OH9GDT and Jussi OH6ZZ More info later

SOURCE: tnx to Jussi, OH6ZZ, direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: 3B9 ; Rodrigues Isl ; Square: MH10 ; start 2013-09-01

3B9EME will be qrv from Rodrigues Isl. (MH10qh) in september 2013.
After the success of the J52EME DXpedition by the Verona DX Team,
we are pleased to announce the activation of a new one for 2013.
We will be in 3B9, Rodrigues Island, for EME activity in 144 and 432 Mhz.
The period will be 1 to 9 September 2013. Flights and hotel are already booked.
We await the granting of the call 3B9EME, with the aid of the contacts of Rene PE1L,
which is, along with Atletico Team, our example for DXpedition activity.
Soon more news about equipment, antennas and QRG.
Best 73 from Lucio I3LDP, team leader Verona DX Team - ARI Verona

SOURCE: tnx to Lucio I3LDP direct to MMMonVHF

** DXCC: SV9 ; Crete ; Square: KM25 ; start 2013-10-25

Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate Crete in Oktober 2013 on 2m EME.Call sign will
be SV9ANJ.Rig is as always TS2000, 2 x 9 ele M2 and BeKo SSPA with sufficient output power.
Location will Pelamare Apartments in Kokkini Hani, 13 kilometres East of Iraklion,
in the North of Crete. Website http://pelamare.webs.com/. Locator is KM25PH
We are very grateful for Pelamare Apts owner Manos SV9ANJ for supporting this DXpedition!

SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC, direct to MMMonVHF

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Latest V/U/SHF DX-PEDITION NEWS and EVENTS - Pse do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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** DEADLINE for your NEWS input to MMMonVHF**

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to the next MMMonVHF Newsletter will be next wednesday 22.00 UTC ...

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like ON4KST-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat, N0UK-Chat and others.

** Many thanks to all our USERS who did send us info and news **

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the
info. If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed
at our VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for
an expedition, PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at:

** www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or www.mmmonvhf.de/contact.php **

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info
as much up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the
info does not violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy ...

Have a lot of fun and enjoy the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF!

73 de Lins PA3CMC
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team

DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA DL8EBW HA5CRX
IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY PA3CMC & PA4EME

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Message-ID: <f46d044517a3f5f7af04d1ddd5d0@google.com>
Source record: 1120
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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RSGB: Notice of Licence Variations for the 472Khz and 5 MHz Bands:

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 01:52 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29556

Please note that the 5MHz and 472-479kHz NoVs can be applied for at any time but do not come into effect until 1 January 2013. Please note that holders of existing 5 MHz NoVs must apply for a new NoV, and comply with the revised terms and conditions, if they wish to access the additional frequencies. Their existing NoV will not be automatically upgraded, they must apply for the new NoV online and this new NoV is effective from the 1st January 2013. Existing holders of a 5 MHz NoV are not obliged to apply for the new NoV. They can continue to use this variation to their licence until the expiry date, but they must comply with Terms and Conditions of that NoV, i.e. only have access to 7 spot frequencies and the message content can only be with regard to arranging propagation experiments.

2654. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Thursday 27 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-28 03:12:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399c71c6c5eb04d1e109ba@google.com>
Source record: 1121
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Library receives set of amateur radio operating books amid budget crisis -
Crestview News Bulletin

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 11:25 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFCpu3jtd2ca4cszDFY40ummeyWBg&url=http://www.crestviewbulletin.com/news/community/library-receives-set-of-amateur-radio-operating-books-amid-budget-crisis-1.70308

Library receives set of amateur radio operating books amid budget crisis
Crestview News Bulletin
CRESTVIEW — Eleven new manuals and handbooks recently donated to the Crestview Public Library will be a valuable resource for amateur radio enthusiasts — also called “hams” — Library Director Jean Lewis said. Among the North Okaloosa Amateur Radio ...

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Kids in Berkeley Heights, New Providence and surrounding communities
invited ... - Independent Press - NJ.com

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 10:14 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH3mg3oMxlOAgukRsb6cYIxlrTomw&url=http://www.nj.com/independentpress/index.ssf/2012/12/kids_in_berkeley_heights_new_p.html

Independent Press - NJ.com
Kids in Berkeley Heights, New Providence and surrounding communities
invited ...
Independent Press - NJ.com
6, 2013, at the Berkeley Heights Community Center. NPARC, the Amateur Radio Club serving the Watchung Hills Area, will set up two operating ham radio stations for kids of all ages from Berkeley Heights, New Providence and surrounding communities.

2655. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Friday 28 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-28 07:11:32 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399c710cbec904d1e45f7f@google.com>
Source record: 1122
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Wheaton, IL Sunday Jan 30, 2013

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 01:04 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373531-Wheaton-IL-Sunday-Jan-30-2013&goto=newpost

http://wheatonhamfest.org/flyer.pdf

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Collinsville, IL Saturday Jan 26, 2013

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 01:01 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373528-Collinsville-IL-Saturday-Jan-26-2013&goto=newpost

http://slsrc.org/winterfest.html

Winterfest ☐ Jan. 26, 2013 We have 50% more space available this year! Each January The St. Louis and Suburban Radio Club, Inc., warms up the ham radio winter with Winterfest - the largest Hamfest in the area!

The up-coming Winterfest will be on Saturday, January 26, 2014 with doors opening at 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM for the general public.

Advanced ticket price is $6.00 with the price at the door being $7.00. Individual raffel tickest can be purchased in advance or at the event for $1.00 each or 6 tickets for $5.00.

Vendors can load-in and set-up on Friday, January 25, 2013 from 1:00 PM to 10:00 PM or Saturday morning starting at 5:00 AM.

Vendor tables will be $23.00 per table and if vendors need electricity there is an additional $45.00 charge. Each table reservation comes with one (1) vendor ticket - this is an admissions ticket NOT a raffle ticket. Vendors who have assistants with them can purchase additional vendor admittance tickets at a cost of $6.00 each.

To secure your same table spot as last year you must make your reservation by January 1, 2011.

Talk-in is 146.760 (no PL that day) and 146.940 (141.3 PL).

VE Testing: Starts at 9:30 AM SHARP - First Come First
Served - LIMITED to 30 individuals. If you are already licensed you need
to have your current Amateur Radio License and a copy to leave with the VE
Team. All those tested must have two forms of identification (one must be
a picture ID) and CASH to pay for the standard $15.00 testing fee (exact
change please).

Winterfest is located in the Gateway Convention Center in
Collinsville (#1 Gateway Drive), Illinois just 11 miles east of the St.
Louis Gateway Arch at I-70 and Illinois Exit #11.

More Information Contact: Winterfest 2010 St. Louis and
Suburban Radio Club, Inc. Bill Coby, KBØMWG P.O. Box 2233
St. Louis, MO 63109 (314) 504-1104 (636) 584-8888
bcoby@sbcglobal.net

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Arcadia FL Hamfest Saturday January 26, 2013

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 12:57 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373527-Arcadia-FL-Hamfest-Saturday-January-26-2013&goto=newpost

Arcadia Hamfest Saturday Jan 26, 2013

Location: DeSoto Turner Center

2260 NE Roan Street

Arcadia, FL 34266

Website: http://desotoarc.org/

Sponsor: DeSoto Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 147.075+ (PL 100)

Public Contact: Doug Christ , KN4YT

2200 NE Roan Street Arcadia, FL 34266

Phone: 863-990-2507

Email: kn4yt@yahoo.com

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Ft Myers, FL, Saturday January 19th, 2013

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 12:51 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373525-Ft-Myers-FL-Saturday-January-19th-2013&goto=newpost

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA HAMFEST AND

SOUTH FLORIDA SECTION CONVENTION

2013 *** NEW LOCATION
*** Lots of new forums,
watch our website for a complete list

FMARC.net
DATE: January 19th,
2013
SET-UP: January 18th,
2013
Southwest Florida Public Service Academy

4312 Michigan Ave, Fort Myers, Florida 33905-4504

Talk-In Repeater: 147.345 (136.5
Tone)
Vendor Tables: $15.00 (All Vendors must purchase
Ticket)
Indoor Vendor Setup - TBD
First Tables Ordered Get Best Locations

Tailgate Spaces: $10.00
(Includes 1 Admission Ticket)

Additional Tailgate Spaces: $5.00 Each

Free Parking - Handicap Parking Available

FOOD: Quality Food, Reasonable Prices inside on site

General
Admission: $5.00

Children 12 and under are
free with paying adult

Students 13-18 $3.00 with valid student ID

SECURITY: On site security will be provided

Hourly Prizes and GRAND prize plus two RUNNER - UP prizes

MAIL
TICKET REQUESTS TO:

FMARC

P. O. Box 061183

Fort Myers, FL
33906
Please include SASE, otherwise tickets will be held at
door. NOTICE:
Supporting FCC Regulations, FMARC will not permit selling uncertified or
modified
equipment.
INFORMATION Please Contact:

HAMFEST CHAIRPERSON:

Drexel Turner,
W4DHT

7670 Eaglet Court

Fort Myers, FL 33912-1828

(239) 225-0826

or

(239) 464-1350

e-mail: dturner at
embarqmail dot com

Web site http://www.fmarc.net/hamfest.htm

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TARCFEST Saturday January 12th, 2013, Tampa, FL

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 12:47 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373524-TARCFEST-Saturday-January-12th-2013-Tampa-FL&goto=newpost

TARCFest Snowbird Edition: Saturday, January 12, 2013

http://www.hamclub.org/

TARCFest Snowbird Edition, □Florida□s
Friendliest Tailgate□ is coming soon! The date for the next Tampa
Amateur Radio Club Tailgate is Saturday, January 12, 2013. Set up
for tailgaters begins at 7:00am and trading opens up at 8:00am for
the buyers. The tailgate runs usually until about 1:00pm or until
the last lie is told or last boatanchor sold. Talk In will be on the
147.105 repeater (PL 146.2). All are welcome.

This will be the snowbird edition of our
tailgate and each one has been fun and exciting. Each TARCFest
continues to get bigger with record numbers of sellers and
buyers. This January the traders will once again gather under the
shade trees at the clubhouse to wheel and deal.

Admission will be $3 per person with children 12
and under free. Those who wish to set up for tailgating will be
charged an additional $3. Plenty of spaces will be available in
the tailgate area for sellers. And of course, free parking for
the buyers. There are a limited number of spaces inside with
indoor tables at $15.00 in advance. For table reservations or for
further information, please contact:

Bill Bode, N4WEB

14302 Capitol Drive

Tampa, FL 33613

Phone: (813) 382-9262

Fax: (813) 878-7954

Email: tarcfest@hamclub.org

We look forward to the same big crowds we had last TARCFest and, as always, hamburgers, hot dogs, specialty sandwiches and liquid refreshments will be available throughout the morning.

Come for the fun, come for the deals. Come to TARCFest!

Directions: From I-4 Take the Hillsborough Avenue (US 92) exit west to 22nd Street and turn North on 22nd Street, AROC is located at on the right at the end of 22nd Street.

From I-275 take the Sligh Avenue exit east to 22nd Street and turn North on 22nd Street, AROC is located at on the right at the end of 22nd Street.

From I-75 take I-4 west to Hillsborough Avenue (US 92) exit west to 22nd Street and turn North on 22nd Street, AROC is located at on the right at the end of 22nd Street.

See you there.

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Saturday January 5th, 2013, Waukesha, WI, Expo Center

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 12:45 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373520-Saturday-January-5th-2013-Waukesha-WI-Expo-Center&goto=newpost

41st ANNUAL MIDWINTER

Ham Radio, Computer, Electronics Saturday, January 5, 2013

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Waukesha County Expo Center Forum

Waukesha, Wisconsin

(GPS: Lat. 43.03227 - Long. 88.23948)

FREE PARKING

For information or tickets, write (include business size SASE):

WARAC Swapfest

P. O. Box 1072

Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

More info & flyer at:

http://www.warac.org/swap/index.htm

2656. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1846 - December 28 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-28 10:00:15 UTC
From: "William M. Pasternak" <newsline@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <20121228100003.479CE33C7B@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1123
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.moderated,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) Report 1846 - December 28 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1846 with a release date of December 28, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams in the Philippines activate as yet another tropical storm hits that nation; new spectrum for hams in Switzerland and the U-K; a ham radio operator in New York City beats the bureaucracy and gets to keep his tower; Canada changes the way it administers its communications enforcement and AMSAT gets a Matching Fund for donations made to the Fox satellite project. These stories and more on the Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1846 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: PHILIPPINES ACTIVATES EMERGENCY NET 7.095 MHZ

Hams in the Philippines are again activated as yet another tropical storm hits the nation. Stephen Kinford, N8WB, has more in this report:

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Spare a thought for those who spent a nervous, very wet and windy Christmas as Tropical Storm Quinta went through the south of the Philippines. This in areas trying to recover from Tyhoon Bopha earlier in the month.

Landslides occurred in the Visayas, Southern Leyte and Eastern Samar areas. There were more than 5,800 ferry passengers stranded with fishermen told not to venture out.

Activated during the storm was the Philippines Amateur Radio Association Emergency net on 7.095 MHz and VHF, to handle emergency and welfare traffic.

Among those involved were members of the Philippines Amateur Radio Association affiliated club called the District 5 Radio Amateur Network. They were kept busy coordinating pre-emptive evacuations in Tacloban City and elsewhere alongside members of the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council. Other radio amateurs were also involved in the overall emergency.

The Philippine archipelago has numerous severe weather events each year. Typhoon Bopha which made landfall over Mindanao on December the

2nd ripped through the southern provinces killing 1,067 people, leaving hundreds missing and many more homeless.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Stephen Kinford, N8WB.

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All ham radio operators world wide awere being asked to keep clear of the Philippine emergency net frequency of 7.095 MHz until operations stand down. (VK3PC, DU1UG)

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RESTRUCTURING: SWITZERLAND GRANTS HAMS ACCESS TO 472 TO 479 KHZ

A new year's present from telecommunications regulator BAKOM to the ham radio community of Switzerland. As of January 1st, Swiss hams will have access to the low frequency spectrum from 472 to 479 kHz.

As in most other nations that have granted access to this band, the Effective Radiated Power level is 5 watts making it more suitable for low noise digital narrowband modes than either analog voice or CW. (Southgate)

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RESTRUCTURING: 5 MHZ SLOTS AVAILABLE IN THE UK

And a New Years gift from United Kingdom telecommunications regulator Ofcom to that nations hams. This with the announcement that the previously adopted additional block of frequencies at 5 MHz are now available on a Notice of Variation Basis.

As of January 1st UK hams holding Full Advanced class U-K licenses can apply for the Notices of Variation to gain access to the new frequency slots. Information for U-K hams on how to apply for these as well as a Notice of Variation for operation in the Low Frequency 472 to 479 kHz bands are on line at tinyurl.com/new-UK-nov (Southgate, 5 MHZ Newsletter, G4MWO)

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RADIO LAW: NYC HAMS WINS FIGHT TO KEEP TOWER

A New York City ham will be able to keep his tower and antenna on the roof of his home in the borough of Manhattan. This after the city's Board of Standards and Appeals overrules the Department of Buildings that had tried to revoke his permit for the antenna that had previously been legally issued. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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In September of 2010, Paul Isaacs, W2JGQ, was granted a building permit for his amateur radio antenna. The antenna system was made up of a 40

foot tower and top mounted Yagi antenna. Isaacs installed his antenna system on the roof of his four story home about 60 or so feet above ground level.

Then some four months after the system had been put in place the City of New York's Department of Buildings declared its intention to revoke Isaacs' properly attained building permit. Why? Well after all that tuime it decided that Issac's amateur radio antenna system was not, in the Department's opinion, an accessory use.

Isaacs appealed the decision through the Department's bureaucracy. When it didn't reverse the decision, W2JGQ had a series of hearings before the New York City Board of Standards and Appeals.

Now comes word that in November the Board of Standards and Appeals ruled that while perhaps uncommon, that an amateur radio antenna system is indeed an accessory use under New York City's zoning ordinance and the building permit was properly granted.

Burt heres the best part. The Board of Standards and Appeals also stated in the case of amateur radio towers, that, unlike cellular towers and certain other structures, there is no expressed standards to guide Department of Buildings in determining at what height a particular radio tower becomes a non-accessory.

While its possible that the city could enact some form of ordinance to create a standard in at some future date, at the moment the interpretation stands as defined. It also has the blessing of the New York City Board of Standards and Appeals.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The bottom line: Not a bad win for ham radio and other private radio users in the city known as The Big Apple. (eHam, others)

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RADIO LAW: CANADIAN ENFORCEMENT RULES CHANGES

An announcement in the Canada Gazette says that there have been modifications made in the Contravention Regulations concerning the enforcement of the nations Radiocommunication Regulations. These changes will allow peace officers including Municipal, Provincial and Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers to issue tickets for certain offences under the nations Radiocommunication Regulations.

This change is the result of amendments made back in 2000 and 2011 to the Canadian Radiocommunication Regulations to exempt amateur radio apparatus and its operation from the licensing requirement by Industry Canada. Also to respond to concerns expressed by the Standing Joint Committee for the Scrutiny of Regulations. The latter had concluded

that provisions of the Radiocommunication Regulations were redundant to, or inconsistent with, the Radiocommunication Act, or inconsistent with the terms of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

You can see the changes and how they might affect radio amateurs in that nation at tinyurl.com/new-Canadian-regs (RAC, VE4WO)

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COMMUNICATIONS LAW: SUPREME COURT REFUSES TO HEAR CHALLENGE TO 2008 WIRETAP IMMUNITY LAW

The United States Supreme Court has rejected a challenge to a 2008 federal law granting immunity to phone companies. This for assisting the government eavesdrop on private phone conversations. Amateur Radio Newsline's Skeeter Nash takes a look at what transpired:

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The case involved 33 lawsuits brought against the telecommunications providers in 2006 after news reports that the government had conducted warrant-less surveillance. Phone customers alleged that AT&T, Sprint Nextel, Verizon Communications and others violated federal and state law.

In reaction to the suits, in 2008 Congress passed Section 802 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. This gave the Attorney General the power to grant legal immunity to anyone providing assistance to the intelligence community. The then Attorney General used that law to block the 33 suits all of which were eventually dismissed.

The Electronic Frontier Foundation, the American Civil Liberties Union and others appealed. Their lawyers argued that Section 802 violated the separation of powers doctrine of the U.S. Constitution. But in December of 2011, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco rejected those arguments, finding the telephone companies immune.

Asking the Supreme Court to review that decision, the civil liberties groups said the law allowed the executive branch to conduct warrantless, suspicionless domestic surveillance without fear of review by courts. Also that it gave the Attorney General sole discretion to decide when eavesdropping was necessary.

But the high court, without comment, has declined to review the challenge to the law.

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This decision is the latest in which the High Court has refused to review government surveillance practices adopted since the al-Quida lead terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. (Published news reports)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: FOX MATCHING FUND ESTABLISHED

AMSAT President Barry Baines, WD4ASW, says that the organization has received a matching funds challenge to help with the Fox 1 program. Baines says that an anonymous donor will match up to $25,000 in funds to be donated to the Fox satellite project.

Fox-1B mission will incorporate the spare flight hardware of Fox-1. It is a joint project with the Institute for Space and Defense Electronics at Vanderbilt University and is AMSAT's first satellite with science as its primary mission. As such it holds the potential of opening up new opportunities for free launches. The satellite will also carry a ham radio FM transponder and AMSAT expects to be able to operate the transponder and science payload simultaneously.

AMSAT says that it has requested a launch in the second half of 2014 to a 650 kilometer sun-synchronous orbit. This is same as had been requested for Fox-1.

Donatations to the matching fund can be made via PayPal sent to Martha (at) amsat (dot) org. Or you can simply click on the PayPal logo at www.amsat.org. And we will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks newscast. (AMSAT)

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BREAK 1

Wishing you a very Happy New Year. From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K7CSK repeater serving Everett, Washington.

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RADIO MIRACLES: HAM RADIO OPERATOR WALKS AWAY FROM CHOPPER CRASH

Call it a Christmas miracle. This with word that a Minnesota ham who crash landed his helicopter on his sons back yard helipad has walked away with only minor injuries. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

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The pilot was Trygve Svard, KD0PNQ, of Plymouth, Minnesota. According to news reports Svard was in the process of landing his personal helicopter in the yard of his son's home in the rural city of Corcoran at around 10:30 a.m. on Sunday morning, December 23rd. This as he had done many times in the past. But something went wrong as the chopper began to spin with its tail rotor hitting a near-by trailer.

News reports go on to say that Svard's son Stefan was watching his father land the Robinson Model 22 chopper when the accident occurred. The younger Svard ran out with a fire extinguisher. Stefan got his father safely out of the helicopter before a major fire erupted. KD0PNQ reportedly suffered only a scorched arm and singed facial hair but

thankfully was otherwise unscathed.

Brad Christianson, KC0HCP, tells Amateur Radio Newsline that Trygve Svard is a member of the Minneapolis area Twin City FM Club. The news report about the crash describes Svard as being a very skilled pilot.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in the Newsroom in Los Angeles.

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The FAA and National Transportation Safety Board are investigating the incident. More on this story is on the web at tinyurl.com/hams-helicopter-down. (KC0HCP, Lakeminnetonka Patch, other published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENDED BROADCASTER WITH THREE TRANSMITTER LOCATIONS HANDED $25000 PROPOSED FINE

An unlicensed broadcaster that tried to fool the FCC by originating his programming frm different locations has been found and issued a $25,000 propsed fine.

Recipient of this likely unwanted gift from Uncle Sam is Fabrice Polynice, of North Miami, Florida, whom the regulatory agency claims to have apparently, willfully and repeatedly violated Section 301 of the Communications Act. This by allegedly operating unlicensed radio transmitters on the frequency 90.1 MHz from three locations in North Miami, Florida.

According to the FCC, while conducting routine monitoring of the airwaves, agents from the Enforcement Bureau's Miami Office determined that an unlicensed radio station was operating on 90.1 MHz from multiple locations, presumably to evade detection. On six different days over several months the agents the used direction finding to locate the source of radio frequency transmissions and traced them to three separate locations in North Miami. The agents made signal strength measurements and determined that the signals exceeded the limits for operation under Part 15 of the FCC rules and therefore required a license.

The agents inspected two of the station locations when Mr. Polynice was not present. One inspection was conducted following seizure of the transmitting equipment by federal marshals. The other was conducted with the residents of the property, and they were issued an on-scene Notice of Unlicensed Operation. But the unlicensed station continued to operate at one of the locations even after the federal marshals had seized the radio transmitting equipment located at another location.

Now in issuing the $25,000 proposed fine, the FCC says that the evidence in this case is sufficient to establish that Mr. Polynice violated Section 301 of the Communications Act on at least six

different days during March to July of 2012. It also stated that its agents heard the station identify itself on the air as "Touche Douce" and announce Polynice's personal telephone number as the station's telephone number. It also noted that Polynice has a history of operating a radio station without a license, which demonstrates a complete disregard for Federal and State authorities and their laws. Despite being arrested and convicted in 2006 for violating the State of Florida's prohibition against operating an unlicensed radio station within the State that Polynice continued to operate an unlicensed radio station at three separate locations in North Miami.

Based on the evidence before it, including what the FCC termed as consideration of the egregiousness of the violations, the history of prior offenses, and the degree of culpability, that it finds that the violations warrant a total upward adjustment of $15,000 from the $10,000 base fine. Polynice was also warned that future violations may subject him to more severe enforcement action, including larger monetary forfeitures, criminal prosecution, and the seizure of his equipment. (FCC)

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EXPANDING RADIO: MORE RADIO HAMS IN FAIRBANKS

The amateur radio population in Fairbanks, Alaska is increasing thanks to the work of the Arctic Amateur Radio Club. The club reports that in 2012 that it welcomed 18 new Technician licenses and had 11 General class upgrades and 7 Extra class upgrades.

If you are not familiar with Alaska, Fairbanks is located in the interior of the state. It is about a 6 hour drive from the next largest city of Anchorage. (KL3NO)

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CORRECTION: SUPERSTITION HAMFEST FEBRUARY 9 AND YUMA HAMFEST FEBRUARY 15 - 16

A quick correction to a typo that only appeared only in the text version of last weeks' newscast. In the printed headline, the text gave a date of Superstition Arizona hamfest February 19th while the story itself said the date was the 9th. To clarify, the text of the story was correct and the headline was wrong. The correct date is February 9th.

And while we are at it we should mention that the following weekend is the Hamfest and State Convention in Yuma Arizona. That's February 15th and 16th. The bottom line is that it looks like a busy ham radio month in Arizona and the planners of both these events hope to see you there.

Our thanks to Alan Price. N6ALP for the correction and the Arizona events update. (N6ALP)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: ORLANDO HAMCATION ON FEBRUARY 8 - 10 IN FLORIDA

The 67th annual Orlando Amateur Radio Club Orlando HamCation Amateur Radio and Computer Show is slated for the weekend of February 8, 9 and 10 at the Central Florida Fairgrounds in Orlando, Florida.

The theme for the 2013 Orlando HamCation is Ham Radio Exploring New Horizons. The event will feature over 150 commercial vendor booths, 400 swap tables, the largest Tailgate Area in the southeast as well as a plethora of forums. Special event station K4H will be on the air from the Hamcation site.

Updated information is available at www.hamcation.com, on Facebook under the fan page of Hamcation. You can also follow developments on Twitter by subscribing to @hamcation. (Orlando Hamcation)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: STRAIGHT KEY NIGHT ON OSCAR

AMSAT is again inviting radio amateur's world wide to participate in Straight Key Night on OSCAR.

As always, operation is simple and informal. Just use CW through one or more satellites on January 1st 2013 from 0000 to 2400 UTC using only a straight hand key. There is no need to send in a log, but all participants are encouraged to nominate someone they worked for Best Fist. Your nominee need not have the best fist of anyone you heard, only of those you worked. Send your nomination to w2rs at amsat dot org. A list of those nominated will appear on the Amsat News and in the AMSAT Journal.

And less we forget, this year's event is dedicated to the memory of John Thompson, who held the calls W1BIH and PJ9JT who passed away in 2012 ate age 96. Although known primarily as a High Frequency DXer and contester, Thompson was also active on the OSCAR satellites, mostly on CW. (ANS)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: WYONG CONTEST UNIVERSITY URL UPDATE

>From the social calendar file we have been advised to ask that you use the direct U-R-L for information regarding the Mini Contest University at Wyong Australia. According to the event planners the Tiny URL link will not work because there is a space in the URL which causes problems with tinyurl and other U-R-L compression schemes.

Wyong Mini Contest University takes place on Saturday, February 23rd. If you want more information on this event please take your web browser to www.fieldday.org.au/contest_university/.

If you missed that, don't worry. You will find it in the printed edition of this week's Amateur Radio Newsline report. (VK2JI)

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HAM HAPPENINGS: HAM RADIO UNIVERSITY 2013 JANUARY 6 IN NY

The 14th annual Ham Radio University will be held on Sunday, January 6th from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Briarcliffe College in Bethpage, New York. The event will include more than 25 informational forums moderated by local experts in a broad range of Amateur Radio activities. The keynote speaker will be Bill Cross W3TN, Staff member in the Federal Communications Commission's Mobility Division.

Ham Radio University is a cooperative effort supported by radio clubs and related organizations in the New York City and Long Island area. This year the event is being sponsored by the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club. Further information and the forum schedule is on line at www.hamradiouniversity.org. (KS2G)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: 2012 YASME EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Yasme Excellence Awards for 2012 have been announced. Among those receiving honors this year are George Fremin, K5TR; Tree Tyree, N6TR; Trey Garlough, N5KO, and Scott Neader, KA9FOX. This, for their contributions to many infrastructure projects that benefit the ham community at large.

Also recognized is ARRL Education and Technology Program Director Mark Spencer, WA8SME. Spencer received the honor for his contribution to the ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology and other training efforts. Also for his development of P-I-C microcontroller projects, books for amateurs, as well as working with leaders in student and scientific teams in applying amateur radio to scientific projects and experiments.

The Yasme Excellence Awards are given to individuals who through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The award itself takes the form of a cash grant and an engraved crystal globe. For a complete list of these years winners please take your web browser to www.yasme.org/awards. (Yasme. ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: VE3DSS NEW RAC MARITIMES SECTION MANAGER

And congratulations to Craig Seaboyer, VE1DSS, who was recently elected Radio Amateurs of Canada Section Manager for the Maritimes for the balance of a two year term. He ran unopposed eliminating the need for a balloted election. (RAC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: AE5DW TO GUEST ON THE DODROPIN ECHOLINK NER OM JANUARY 5

And on Jan 5th at 2100 hours Eastern Standard Time, Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, will be the guest on the Amateur Radio Newsline Net held on the DoDropIn Echolink conference server. You are invited to - well -- drop in and catch Don talking about his career in broadcasting as well as amateur radio after which the latest Amateur Radio Newsline newscast will be aired. Again that's the Amateur Radio Newsline Net on Saturday January 5th 2100 ours Eastern Standard Time to meet Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, on the DoDropIn Echolink conference server node number 355800. Hope to see you there. (W8WFO)

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With you 52 weeks a year every year. From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: RESPECTED FCC ENGINEER ANGELO DITTY K4GKB -SK

A name familiar to both broadcasters and ham radio operators has passed from the scene. This with word that former FCC Inspector Angelo Ditty, K4GKB, became a Silent Key on December 2nd at the age of 87.

Ditty served in the Atlanta FCC office as the Engineer in Charge from 1974 until 1990 following a stint with the FCC out of Tampa, Florida. Earlier in his career while based at the FCC's San Francisco office he worked with Ney Landry, W6UDU, who recently passed away at age 95.

After leaving the FCC Ditty took a position with the Georgia Association of Broadcasters where he served until 2011. There he examined engineering and public files for members, allowing them three-year exemptions from FCC inspections.

Memorial services for Angelo Ditty, K4GKB, were held on Friday, December 7th in Canton. Georgia. (RW)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: BARCODE INVENTOR JOSEPH WOODLAND -S.K.

Norman Joseph Woodland who co-created the barcode using Morse code, has died at his New Jersey home at the age of 91.

Barcodes Inc. says that Woodland worked with university classmate Bernard Silver to create the now ubiquitous thick-and-thin-line system in the 1940s. Woodland reportedly used the Morse code as a basis to create the barcode when he just extended the dots and dashes downward and made narrow lines and wide lines out of them.

The BBC reports that the system was patented in the US in 1952 and was later sold for only $15,000. (BBC)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THREE NEW HAMS JOIN ISS CREW

Three new astro-hams are now on-board the Internationl Space Station. They are American Tom Marshburn, KE5HOC; Russian Roman Romanenko, UT5ERP and Canada's Chris Hadfield, KC5RNJ. All were launched from the Bikenour Cosmodrome in Kazakhestan on board a Soyuz booster on Wednesday, December 19th . The trio traveled for two days in the capsule, before docking with the space station where three other astronauts are already on board. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT-UK introduces Electronic Membership

AMSAT-UK has announced that it will now offer Electronic E-membership at a reduced rate.

The new E-membership will provide OSCAR News as a downloadable PDF file and members will have the freedom to read it on their tablets or smart phones at their leisure. E-membership should also be especially beneficial to overseas members who have long suffered from high postal charges and long delivery times.

The AMSAT-UK membership year runs from January 1st to December 31st. Members can renew at tinyurl.com/amsat-uk-renew. New members sign up at tinyurl.com/amsat-uk-join (AMSAT-UK)

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RADIO IN SPACE: CUBESAT DEPLOYERS BEING MANUFACTURED AT CALIFORNIA PRISON

According to a news reports, inmates at San Quentin prison in California are building CubeSat orbital deployers.

Working under the strict guidance of NASA, a handful of skilled inmate machinists are making P-PODs which is an acronym for Poly Picosatellite Orbital Deployers. These are essentially, aluminum boxes designed to hold CubeSats which ride "piggyback" into space as secondary payloads.

The devices are part of a new generation of low-cost, miniature launch vehicles developed for research used by more than 150 universities worldwide. You can read the complete story on-line at tinyurl.com/prison-satellite-deployers (Southgate)

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WORLDBEAT: ACMA SAYS NO MORE VK MICKEY-D SPAM E-MAIL

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has given McDonald's Australia Limited a formal warning under the nations Spam Act about a

`send to friends' facility on the McDonald's Happy Meal website. According to the WIA News, an ACMA investigation found that e-mails using the `send to friends' facility which promoted games and activities were sent to friends of users without first getting the friends' consent. The messages also did not have an unsubscribe facility, as required by that nations Spam Act. (WIA, ACMA)

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WORLDBEAT: HUNGARY CLOSES REGIONAL PUBLIC SERVICE STATIONS

Hungary's Media Services and Support Trust Fund has closed all five of its regional radio studios which make up the Regio Radio network. According to the Trust memo on December 21st, the studios will be leased out, and staff will either be made redundant or employed as correspondents for the national public talk and news service.

According to the Chief Operating Officer of the Media Services and Support Trust Fund, the Regio Radio network experienced a waning audience due to increasing competition from other local private stations. The soon-to-be-available FM and AM frequencies will be used for broadcasting a new nationwide public service of Hungarian song or urban folk music and at least one operetta music station, (RW)

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WORLDBEAT: NEW CANADIAN HELLSCHREIBER AWARD

A new award has been created for those ham radio enthusiasts in Canada who enjoy operating Hellschreiber. The basic Worked All Canada award requires contacts in Hellschreiber with the ten Canadian Provinces. The complete award requires additional QSO's be held with the three northern Territories of the Yukon, the Northwest Territories, and Nunavut.

Hellschreiber was originally a mechanical mode that now is operated by most in the digital domain and enables the transmission of text using facsimile technology. The start date of the award was December 19th which happened to be the birthday of Dr. Rudolf Hell, who patented Hellschreiber in 1929.

You must be a member of the Feld Hell Club to be eligable, but contacts with non-members are bvalid for award credit. A sample of the certificate, the rules and information on how to apply for the award is on line at tinyurl.com/Hellschreiber-Canada-Award. (Feld Hell Club)

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ON THE AIR: 6 METER PROPAGATION TO BE ACTIVATED IN ANTARCTICA

On the air, listen out in February for Craig Hayhow VK6JJJ, who will be signing VK0JJJ from the coast of MacRobertson Land and Australia's base at Mawson in Antarctica. He arrives on February the 10th and while there he is also planning to install a 6 meter beacon to test the

propagation on that band. The beacon will operate using the call VK0RTM running 400 watts out into a 5 element yagi. For contacts on the high frequency bands he will be running a Flex 5000A and an amplifier to a triangle antenna. QSL via VK3ZAZ. (VK3PC)

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DX

In DX, OH1LEG will be active from Rodrigues Island through January 7th signing stroke 3B9. He will be operational on 160 through 10 meters using SSB , RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct via OH1LEG.

DF3FS and DL1QW will be active stroke 5Z4 from Kenya from January 6th to the 20th . They will be operating 80 through 10 meters using CW , SSB and RTTY. QSL via each operators home call.

PP1CZ will be on the air from Fernando de Noronha Island January 15th to the 21st signing PY0F. He will focus on 160 and 80 meter CW. QSL via his home call.

JR1IZM will be active from Lesotho through January 2013 as 7P8ZM He will be operational on all of the High Frequency bands but no specific modes or operating times have been mentioned. QSL via JO1CRA

DK9FN is operational from Temotu Province using the call H-40-F-N through January 7th. If you make contact QSL H-40-F-N via HA8DD.

JR1IZM is in Losotho has been issued with the callsign 7P8ZM. He will be active until mid-January though no specific bands or operating times are known. QSL's go via his home call.

Prefix hunters will be interested in the callsign 8N119T. This is being used to celebrate the 65th anniversary of the Tokyo Fire Department and will be in operation until March 25th. QSL as directed on the air.

Lastly, an international team organized by the Belgian Rockall Team will be on the air from Burundi between February 14th and the 23rd with four stations using the call 9U4U. Activity will be on 160 through 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Their QSL Manager will be M0URX and their website can be found at www.9u4u.be

(Above from various DX news sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: ANNIVERSARY OF LAST MORSE CODE TELEGRAM

And finally this week, we celebrate the last telegram ever sent in New South Wales, Australia. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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The date was December the 13th, 1962 when the last telegram and its reply were sent by Morse code in New South Wales. And in a 50th anniversary re-enactment, former Telegraph Operator Phil McGrath traveled to Bombala, Australia, to send and receive souvenir telegrams to mark the occasion.

At the appointed time McGrath sat at the sounding box and typewriter and received what was originally meant to be that all important commemorative message. It read:

"This telegram from Sydney to Bombala is the last message which will be sent by Morse in New South Wales, concluding 104 years of operations. Henceforth telegrams to and from Bombala like all other offices in this state will be transmitted through the teleprinter perforator switching system TRESS."

Not to be outdone, Bombala's then postmaster Stan Blyton, sent his own reply that read:

"My privilege personally to transmit the last message from last Morse station New South Wales. Key being forwarded to you is a relic that was in use in 1919 where I joined service and remained there in use untill station closed in 1960. On behalf old telegraphists and Morse operators we bow to progress."

And with that transmission the celebration of Morse messaging system in New South Wales, Australia, had come to an end.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

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TRESS eventually also ceased its messaging, first giving way to individually owned Telex machines and in more modern times to internet based e-mail. (VK3PC)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors' desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, saying 73, a truly happy and prosperous 2013 and we thank you for listening.

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2657. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Friday 28 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-28 11:32:07 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d044631caf1223f04d1e802c0@google.com>
Source record: 1124
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Activation of Mawson in Antarctica

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/951ywOhlA7s/activation_of_mawson_in_antarctica.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Leaving soon on board the ice breaker Aurora Australis for the Australian Antarctic Territory station at Mawson is Craig Hayhow VK6JJJ, who will become VK0JJJ

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South Bristol ARC - Provisional Ham Radio Training Programme 2013

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LqA2asnfyfY/provisional_ham_radio_training_programme_2013.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following closely their success in 2012, the South Bristol ARC have set out their provisional Amateur Radio training programme for 2013

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Kids in Berkeley Heights invited to Ham Radio event

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/lGPYRlRyEGw/kids_in_berkeley_heights_invited_to_ham_radio_event.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A Ham Radio, on-the-air operating event for kids, will be held on Sunday, January 6, 2013, at the Berkeley Heights Community Center

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Library receives Ham Radio books

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4nxuz0GXxCQ/library_receives_ham_radio_books.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A library has received a set of amateur radio operating books amid a budget crisis

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DX News from the ARRL

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7JcHjbHpGNU/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu

rner&utm_medium=email

The American Radio Relay League's round-up of the forthcoming week's DX
activity

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Chelmsford Talk - Reminiscences of Harry Heap G5HF

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_g5hf.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, January 11, there will be an evening of reminiscences of the
life of former Voluntary Radio Interceptor Harry Heap G5HF who passed away
on August 27, 2012 aged 95

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Dave Raycroft's ICPO Bulletin

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9932-7RELyw/index.htm?utm_source=feedbu
rner&utm_medium=email

ICPO - Islands, Castles and Portable Operations. Probably the most
comprehesive ham radio activity listings available anywhere on the internet

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Attracting newcomers to Ham Radio

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/-dZXVp6BnuU/attracting_newcomers_to_ham
_radio.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Dom M0BLF of Camb-Hams and the Cambridge University Wireless Society (CUWS)
suggests a few ways to attract newcomers to Amateur Radio

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DIY HF upconverter video

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/SOhVdixcrrk/diy_hf_upconverter_video.ht
m?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Bryce Salmi KB1LQC threw together a simple HF upconverter for his VHF/UHF
RTLSDR dongle software defined radio

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27th Chelmsford Amateur Radio Foundation Course

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/w2NYJ59crKA/27th_cars_foundation_course
.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be holding their 27th
Foundation training course starting Thursday, January 10

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A multi-purpose portable satellite station

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Wx4sYyVL3cM/a_multi_purpose_portable_satellite_station.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Ivo Klinkert PA1IVO describes his relatively simple setup to work amateur
radio low-earth orbit satellites

2658. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Friday 28 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-28 17:18:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30434d420a12dc04d1ecdbfa@google.com>
Source record: 1125
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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2012 DXpedition of the Year

Posted: 24 Dec 2012 03:56 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373262-2012-DXpedition-of-the-Year&goto=newpost

The long awaited DX World.net 2012 DXpedition of the Year is now available!This was an incredibly difficult poll to decide on considering so many notable expeditions took place during the last 12 months. It□s conceivable that up to 40 different DXpeditons could have been nominated, however, a short-list of 26 make the poll.In previous years the poll was limited to three or five votes. This year we have decided to allow free voting on as many DXpeditions you wish to select. In addition, to prevent repeat votes*, an account must be created using your callsign and QRZ.com listed email address. Once created you will receive an email then you are ready to vote.The poll closes on January 15, 2013 where full results and eventual winner will be revealed. Share with friends and pass the word that the 2012 DXpedition of the Year poll is now open!*Note: Fake, dupe or dummy votes are checked.73!Col, MM0NDX & Max, IK8LOV

DX World.net

2659. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Friday 28 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-28 17:44:52 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f646d8d83a73a04d1ed3759@google.com>
Source record: 1126
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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HamRadioNow: HANDHELD SDR; Situational Awareness using Ham Radio - from the DCC

Posted: 28 Dec 2012 12:22 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373584-HamRadioNow-HANDHELD-SDR-Situational-Awareness-using-Ham-Radio-from-the-DCC&goto=newpost

HAMRADIONOW.tv

Episodes 44 and 45 from the ARRL/TAPR DCC

Episode 44: Design for a Practical Handheld Software Defined Radio

Chris Testa KD2BMH wants to take SDR with him, in handheld form. That's not as easy as you might think. Power is the first problem. SDR uses lots of juice. Size is another. If you have a mode-agile SDR handy-talky in your mitt someday soon, you may have Chris to thank.

In the introduction, Gary refers to the DVD that ARVN produced of the SDR Forum at the 2009 Dayton Hamvention®. That DVD is still available for $15 HERE.

HamRadioNow

Episode 45: Situational Awareness, etc., using Amateur Radio

Aleks Rohde W3JAG is a retired Coloner and lawyer in the Army, and she has worked with Homeland Security (if fact, she coined that name). Here she's talking as a ham (and maybe a little more) about what Ham Radio an do at the very local level to get information up the food chain in an emergency. This talk is "operational," not really technical.

HamRadioNow

The ARRL/TAPR DCCis an annual, three-day conference featuring presentations on a variety of technical and operational aspects of Amateur Radio. This year's DCC, held in Atlanta last September, had 16 of the 45-minute main presentations, the usual Saturday banquet talk, and a four-hour "deep dive" into GNU radio on Sunday. HamRadioNow videotaped all the talks, and we are now releasing them on-line. We'll continue with one or two a week until you have them all.

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Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1846 December 28 2012

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 09:30 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373578-Amateur-Radio-Newsline-Report-1846--December-28-2012&goto=newpost

Amateur Radio Newsline☐ Report 1846 ☐ December 28 2012

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1846 with a release date of December 28, 2012 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams in the Philippines activate as yet another tropical storm hits that nation; new spectrum for hams in Switzerland and the U-K; a ham radio operator in New York City beats the bureaucracy and gets to keep his tower; Canada changes the way it administers its communications enforcement and AMSAT gets a Matching Fund for donations made to the Fox satellite project. These stories and more on the Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1846 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: PHILIPPINES ACTIVATES EMERGENCY NET 7.095 MHZ

Hams in the Philippines are again activated as yet another tropical storm hits the nation. Stephen Kinford, N8WB, has more in this report:

2660. eHam.net News for Friday 28 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-28 23:38:37 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e8b8229f41204d1f229bb@google.com>
Source record: 1127
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Propagation Forecast Bulletin #52 de K7RA:

Posted: 28 Dec 2012 05:30 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29560

An error crept into data reported in last week's bulletin. Solar flux on December 19 was 113.4, not 117.5. The average for the week, 117.5, was transposed into the solar flux number for the last day of the reporting period. The Winter Solstice was on the date of the last Propagation Forecast Bulletin, ARLP051, on Friday December 21, at 1112z.

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ARNewsline Report 1846 -- Dec 28 2012:

Posted: 28 Dec 2012 05:35 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29559

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams in the Philippines activate as yet another tropical storm hits that nation; new spectrum for hams in Switzerland and the U-K; a ham radio operator in New York City beats the bureaucracy and gets to keep his tower; Canada changes the way it administers its communications enforcement and AMSAT gets a Matching Fund for donations made to the Fox satellite project. These stories and more on the Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1846 coming your way right now.<

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DX News -- ARRL DX Bulletin #53:

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 09:59 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29558

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by K1GI, NC1L, The Weekly DX, the OPDX Bulletin, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

2661. HOT PEOPLE HOT AND SEXY VIDEOS FOR U SEE AND ENJOY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-29 01:47:44 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <f127f25b-2139-4dbd-b3a1-9d692d451522@pu9g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1128

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/kajal-best-lip-kiss.html

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GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2662. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Friday 28 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-29 03:10:51 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f5034844d227104d1f520a1@google.com>
Source record: 1129
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Ham radio enthusiasts seek wider following - Fox11online.com

Posted: 28 Dec 2012 11:46 AM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH62YAFziu19OXzWcblnptHFJoiaA&url=http://www.fox11online.com/dpp/news/mississippi/ap_mississippi/Ham-radio-enthusiasts-seek-wider-following_63389677

Ham radio enthusiasts seek wider following
Fox11online.com
The Olive Branch Amateur Radio Club this summer installed a radio repeater and antenna atop a water tower over the summer, increasing the area covered to at least 30 miles. The club has 25 to 30 members. They hope to attract more with a 24-hour ...

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Attracting newcomers to Ham Radio - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 11:23 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGD64vTyV7HQvgYl85xCMFpnJW_oA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/attracting_newcomers_to_ham_radio.htm

Attracting newcomers to Ham Radio
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Dom M0BLF of Camb-Hams and the Cambridge University Wireless Society (CUWS) suggests a few ways to attract newcomers to Amateur Radio. The only major recruiting event we have is the Cambridge University Wireless Societys [CUWS] presence at ...

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South Bristol ARC - Provisional Ham Radio Training Programme 2013 - Southgate Amateur Radio Club

Posted: 27 Dec 2012 09:42 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNEpLALYyaCmcOuEhUyiD5b3bMuytA&url=http://www.southgatearc.org/news/december2012/provisional_ham_radio_training_programme_2013.htm

South Bristol ARC - Provisional Ham Radio Training Programme 2013
Southgate Amateur Radio Club
Following closely their success in 2012, the South Bristol ARC have set out their provisional Amateur Radio training programme for 2013. All training is provided at the Novers Park Community Centre in Bristol on a Thursday

evening, full details of our ...

2663. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Saturday 29 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-29 11:36:20 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <f46d0447a119eb0f3504d1fc2f56@google.com>
Source record: 1130
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Laurie Margolis G3UML on BBC TV

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/o--I3Hv0axI/laurie_margolis_g3uml_on_bbc_tv.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

On Friday, December 28, BBC TV broadcast a story about how Laurie Margolis G3UML used amateur radio to break the story of the invasion of the Falkland Islands

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Live D-STAR webcast on Saturday, December 29th

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/LoZb5y5Q8Ww/live_dstar_webcast.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

W5KUB.COM presents a special interactive live video broadcast, 'D-STAR Live', on Saturday, December 29, 2012 from 10:00 AM until 4:00 PM Central time (1600 until 2200 UTC)

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Higher power trial in VK

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ZyfVXXiAVs8/higher_power_trial_in_vk.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) has allowed the trial use of high power trial up to one-kilowatt, with 230 holders of Advance Licences having paid the variance fee to take part

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STRaND-1 CubeSat and BBC Stargazing Live

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/1L9vE3gUCgw/strand1_on_bbc_stargazing_live.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

BBC TV have been filming at the Surrey Space Centre (SSC) and Surrey Satellite Technology Limited (SSTL) for a Stargazing Live item on the STRaND-1 CubeSat mission

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Propagation de K7RA

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/mlK-FkZFMT8/052_december_29.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

An error crept into data reported in last week's bulletin. Solar flux on
December 19 was 113.4, not 117.5

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ATandT video Seven Hilltops

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/L3-x8zhJHos/seven_hilltops.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This 1947 video traces the history of hilltop-to-hilltop communications
from smoke signals to Microwave relays

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History of the World DX Club

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/jhJ23q4X6mA/history_of_the_world_dx_club.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The short wave listener World DX Club closed in December 2012. Mike
Barraclough has written a history of the club and its monthly publication
Contact

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10th AAW activities announced

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/a-chdV3u1xs/10th_aaw_activities_announced.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Special Event Stations working AAW (Antarctic Activity Week)

2664. SARL News in English 29/12/2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-29 15:26:24 UTC
From: website@sarl.org.za
Message-ID: <EFBFC31E4FC34537801371D171B51DDF@ZAJNBTCSARL01>
Source record: 1131
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

SARL NEWS SUNDAY 30 December 2012

You are listening to ZS6SRL, the official radio station of the South African Radio League, the national body for amateur radio in South Africa. The SARL broadcasts a news bulletin every Sunday at 08:15 CAT in Afrikaans and at 08:30 CAT in English. To listen to a web stream, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today' and follow the links for details. For audio via Echolink, connect to ZS0JPL-R.

You can download this bulletin and previous ones from www.sarl.org.za and also subscribe there to receive future bulletins by e-mail.

Your newsreader this morning is (name), (call sign), on 145,725 from Pretoria, with relays on 7,066 MHz and 3,695 MHz SSB. (Other news readers change to suit).

IN THE NEWS TODAY:

ICASA TABLES DRAFT NATIONAL RADIO FREQUENCY PLAN

LITTLE MOVEMENT IN THE ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND THIS PAST WEEK

GET READY FOR THE YOUTH SPRINT ON 23 FEBRUARY

You are listening to ZS6SRL. Stay tuned for more details on these and other important and interesting items.

ICASA TABLES DRAFT NATIONAL RADIO FREQUENCY PLAN

ICASA has gazetted a draft of the National Radio Frequency Plan for comment by 8 February 2013. The National Radio Frequency Plan is the base document for allocation of spectrum to various services. The nearly 200 page document needs careful scrutiny to ensure that amateur allocations are fully covered, particularly in the VHF, UHF and microwave bands. Gazette number 36025 is available on www.amateurradio.org.za/SARLREGULATORYWG.htm. Radio Amateurs are invited to study the document and provide feedback to the SARL Regulatory Workgroup by 15 January 2013. Send your input to sarlregwg@sarl.org.za.

One immediate positive aspect is that the new allocation of 472 - 479 KHz to amateur radio is shown as secondary allocation which makes the way for allocation as soon as the plan has been adopted.

The SARL has made application to ICASA to have the 160 metre band extended. This is not provided for in the draft plan. There is however a foot note that pays the way for further discussion. Foot note 5.096

list a number of countries where administrations may allocate 1 810 to 2 000 KHz to the amateur service after consultation with neighbouring countries. The SARL will keep pursuing the possibilities of having the band extended.

The new SARL regulatory workgroup will meet in early January. The committee currently has three members and is inviting more amateurs who have an interest in regulatory issues to offer their services. Send your details to sarlregwg@sarl.org.za.

LITTLE MOVEMENT IN THE ANTENNA DEFENCE FUND THIS PAST WEEK

Currently the SARL Antenna Defence Fund is standing at R25 650 which is just over 50 % of the target of R50 000. Thanks to radio amateurs and clubs who have contributed. We appreciate your support.

As we enter the New Year and clubs become active again and hold meetings we hope to see many more contributions from clubs.

To see who have contributed thus far, visit www.sarl.org.za and select ADF from the left hand menu.

On the ADF page you will also find details of the fund and why and what action the SARL is taking to make it possible for radio amateurs to have antenna towers without having to go through endless paperwork and costs.

GET READY FOR THE YOUTH SPRINT ON 23 FEBRUARY

The SARL Youth Sprint will be held on 23 February and no longer on Youth Day on 16 June. The reason for changing the date is that there are so many activities on National Youth Day that schools and young people found it difficult to fit in all the activity. The sprint is held 10:00 to 12:00 CAT with a special event starting at 09:00.

For the special event the SARL would like to put together an audio file of young Radio Amateurs voicing their opinions about amateur radio and why they became involved.

The recordings will be done telephonically from mid-January to end January. To take part send an email with your name, callsign and telephone number to youth@sarl.org.za and you will be contacted to set up a recording date and time. All participants will go into a lucky draw for some great prizes.

Watch SARLNEWS and the SARL web for more details.

SARL BLUE BOOK

The SARL Blue book is now available on line with full details of the 2013 contest line-up, rules, logbook information and all you need to know to take part in contests and have fun. Well it is not actually a blue book, it is a PDF file you can download and view on your pc, laptop or tablet.

The name blue book comes from years back when the contest information was in a printed A5 booklet with a blue cover. Those days the internet and pc were not that ubiquitous.

To download visit www.sarl.org.za, go to site index, select C and from the menu you can download the Contest Manual or Blue Book if you like. The full url is in the printed version of SARLNEWS (Do not read www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/contestrules.asp)

6 METRE STATION TO BE ACTIVATED IN ANTARCTICA

Listen out in February for Craig Hayhow, VK6JJJ, who will be signing VK0JJJ from the coast of MacRobertson Land and Australia's base at Mawson in Antarctica. He arrives on February the 10th and while there he is also planning to install a 6 meter beacon to test the propagation on that band. The beacon will operate using the call VK0RTM running 400 watt out into a 5 element Yagi. For contacts on the high frequency bands he will be running a Flex 5000A and an amplifier to a triangle antenna. QSL via VK3ZAZ.

HUNTING LIONS-IN-THE-AIR

This event takes place on the weekend closest to 13 January, the birth date of Melvin Jones, the founder of the Lions organisation. In 2013, that will be the weekend of 12 and 13 January.

It will not be a contest but merely a means for Lions to exchange greetings with other Lions and Lions Clubs. Radio amateurs and members of the various Lions Clubs get together and the Lions are allowed to exchange greetings with other Lions under supervision of the radio amateur. Normally the name and number of the Lions Club is the exchange.

Contact Rad Handfield-Jones, ZS6RAD, whose email address is rad.handfield-jones@pixie.co.za and Willie Axford, ZS5WI, with address zs5wi@telkomsa.net for more information.

PROPAGATION REPORT

Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP, reports that the expected solar activity will be at low levels. All visible Sunspots are currently stable. There is currently no chance for strong solar flares.

If you want to do your own frequency predictions, the expected effective sunspot number for the week will be around 40.

All the bands from 20 to 10 m will provide lots of DX fun with 15 m providing the best openings with 20 m not far behind. There will also be frequent 10 m openings.

Please visit www.spaceweather.co.za for further information.

DIARY OF EVENTS 12 and 13 January - Hunting Lions-in-the-Air activity. 15 January - Last day to provide feedback on the DRAFT NATIONAL RADIO FREQUENCY PLAN to sarlregwg@sarl.org.za. 31 January - Last day for

submission of nominations for councilors for the next term and motions for the 2013 AGM. 31 January - Last day for submission of a brief outline of a proposed paper at the SA AMSAT Space Symposium on 18 May 2013 to saamsat@sarl.org.za. 23 February - SARL Youth Sprint 10:00 to 12:00 CAT with a special event starting at 09:00.

SARL News invites clubs and individuals to submit news items of interest to radio amateurs and short-wave listeners. Submit news items - if possible in both English and Afrikaans to www.sarl.org.za/newsinbox.asp, not later than the Thursday preceding the bulletin date.

The SARL also invites you to listen to Amateur Radio Today every Sunday morning at 10:00 CAT on 145,750 MHz in the Pretoria area, with relays on 7 082, 7 205 and 17 760 kHz. There is also a podcast by ZS6RO. For a web-stream and Echolink by ZS6FCS, visit www.sarl.org.za, click on 'Amateur Radio Today', go down the green column and click on 'LISTEN ON THE WEB'. A repeat transmission can be heard on Mondays at 18:30 UTC on 4 895 kHz ((A new time and frequency!). Reception reports are invited. We are particularly interested in reports of the 4 895 kHz transmission on Mondays at 16:30 UTC as the frequency is close to the proposed new amateur allocation near 5 MHz. Reception reports from all areas in South Africa would be useful in our bid to ICASA for frequencies pilot studies. Send reports to artoday@sarl.org.za.

Sentech sponsors the transmissions on the non-amateur frequencies.

>From the SARL News team we wish all listeners a happy and prosperous new year. May your radio amateur activity bring you lots of pleasure.

You have listened to a bulletin of the South African Radio League compiled and edited by George Honiball, ZS6NE.

Thank you for listening, 73.

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========== Message Ends ========== To edit or remove your entry from this mailing list go to www.sarl.org.za/members/admin/maildat.asp

2665. QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News for Saturday 29 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-29 17:20:00 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf301b67731b928404d200fd26@google.com>
Source record: 1132
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Amateur Radio News

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For the New Year - QRZDroid 1.10 Released

Posted: 28 Dec 2012 02:18 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373647-For-the-New-Year-QRZDroid-1-10-Released&goto=newpost

QRZDroid version 1.10 has just been released and is now available on Google Play.

QRZDroid runs on most Android systems, but not guaranteed for all.

The latest update has the following features:

No longer labeled as a 'Beta' releaseAll ads and advertising have been removedUses the new, dedicated QRZ data server

Happy New Year from the QRZ Engineering Team (that's me)

-fred

2666. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Saturday 29 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-29 17:31:11 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf30223ffd59602c04d2012478@google.com>
Source record: 1133
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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AGB-NYSB-Contest-2013 = Jan 1, 2013

Posted: 29 Dec 2012 06:10 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373706-AGB-NYSB-Contest-2013-Jan-1-2013&goto=newpost

AGB-NYSB-Contest-2013 = Jan 1, 2013

I invite you to take active or possible part in the forthcoming
AGB-NYSB-Contest-2013 which will be on January 1, 2013 = 0000 - 0100 UTC.

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nysb.htm

DATE: First January 0000-0100 UT

The object of the Contest: Licenced amateurs radio worldwide and SWL;

CONTEST CALL: CW - TEST AGB; SSB - CQ AGB CONTEST;

MODE: CW, SSB and Digital;

FREQUENCIES: CW (3510 - 3555); SSB (3700 - 3750) - recomende; Pilot
frequency: CW-3540, SSB-3720

REPEAT: Each 15 minutes (8 periods) you can make CW-QSO and SSB-QSO with
every station. There are periods - 0000 - 0014, 0015 - 0029, 0030 - 0044,
0045 ☐ 0059

ENTRY:

A ☐ Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB) ☐ AGB-member

B ☐ Single Operator CW ☐ AGB-member

C ☐ Single Operator SSB ☐ AGB-member

D ☐ Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB)

E ☐ Single Operator CW

F ☐ Single Operator SSB

G ☐ Single Operator MIXED (CW + SSB) QRP (Max 10W)

H ☐ Multi Operator

I - SWL

J - DIGITAL - RTTY, PSK, BPSK ....

EXCHANGE: No AGB member stations - RST + number of QSO (599-001);

AGB member station - RST + number QSO + AGB-number (599-001/60);

SCORING: Each QSO in your continent - 1 point, with other continent - 3 point,

Each QSO with AGB member give 5 points (Contest number /AGB-club-number);

MULTIPLIERS: Each AGB mebmer and each new country (DXCC-, WAE-list).

LOGS: logs schould be in Cabrilo format.

Send to Igor OK8EU-EU1EU.

by email => eu1eu@mail.ru or agbcontest@ev5agb.com

Also you can send log by post-mail: Igor "Harry" Getmann, EU1EU, P.O.Box 143, Minsk 220005, BELARUS. The target date for 3 week.

Remarks: CW contacts in SSB portion of the bands and SSB contacts in CW portion are not allowed.

SWL Info: Same rules as transmitting section (Call of one of correspondent must be write not more 5 times in 15 minutes period).

Awards:

All contesters, who send logs will be awarded, original award of AGB-NYSB Contest in PDF format ==========

RULES:

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nysb.htm

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SOFT ==========

Config files:

N6TR = Config for N6TR (TNX UA4LU)

http://www.qrz.ru/contest/attachment.phtml?soft=316

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_n6tr.zip

UA1AAF = Soft UA1AAF for AGB Contests

http://www.qrz.ru/contest/attachment.phtml?soft=315

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_ua1aaf.zip

TR4W = Config for TR4W of UR7QM

http://www.qrz.ru/contest/attachment.phtml?soft=262

http://tr4w.com/configurationfiles/agb_tr4w_config.zip

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_tr4w_config.zip

AGB-Party faily naxodiatcia v arxive VDU radijo kluba.

http://rk.vdu.lt/lt/fail-archyvas/ca.../14-n1mm-files

AGB-Party.udc

AGB-CallHistory.txt

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1. Eta Versija prednaznacena dlia ucastnikov : 'not AGB member'.

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qso)

2. AGB-Party.udc sleduet ispolzovat s poslednimi versijami N1MM

== TNX - Augis /LY4K/ ==

DIGI

from Les G4OGB

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/AGBRTTY.udc

TROPHY for Contesters:

AGB-TROPHY-PROGRAM

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w100c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w250c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w500c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w750c.htm

http://ev5agb.com/award/trophy_w1000c.htm

I wish You Nice New Year!

See You in AGB Contests!

77 73

Igor OK8EU-EU1EU

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EFC2012 on the AIR - Award application deadline

Posted: 28 Dec 2012 12:09 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373636-EFC2012-on-the-AIR-Award-application-deadline&
goto=newpost

Dear Friends,

In a few days is the deadline for submitting an application for a diploma EFC2012 on the AIR. We remind you that you can apply for the diploma in electronic version, which is free of charge and the paper version one comes with cost. More information can be found on a dedicated website of EFC2012 on the AIR under http://efc2012.pzk.org.pl or http://sq2rh.it2.pl/efc/

Regards and 73

de Roman SQ2RH

2667. eHam.net News for Saturday 29 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-29 23:04:14 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <e89a8f50348418ac0e04d205ccd1@google.com>
Source record: 1134
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Sandy Signals: Ham Radio Operators Provided Communications During Storm:

Posted: 29 Dec 2012 02:56 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29561

One day after Superstorm Sandy pushed ashore in late October, John Hoge was positioned inside the Winters Mill High School attendance office in Westminster. He was surrounded by a car battery, an antenna and a ham radio at Winters Mill, which was serving as one of the county's two official shelters while Sandy moved through. The county was spared the worst from Sandy. Peak winds in the area were roughly 60 mph. Lines of communication held up. But even if they hadn't, ham radio operators like Hoge would have been able to keep communication lines open. The Carroll County Amateur Radio Club is always ready to provide communication options during emergencies if other options that are reliant on the current infrastructure fall through. During Sandy, ham radio operators were located at Winters Mill and Century high schools, the two sites designated as shelters by the county. At least one radio operator, usually two, were positioned at the Carroll County Emergency Operations Center in Westminster for the duration of the storm. "We're here to help in any way we can," Hoge said in October while manning his communications post at Winters Mill.

2668. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Saturday 29 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-30 03:24:39 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303f6ea676838304d2096f2b@google.com>
Source record: 1135
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio club communicating to world - Cape Breton Post

Posted: 29 Dec 2012 12:56 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNGCzdME3djgkWO1Z3cvSwkjEbWybg&url=http://www.capebretonpost.com/News/Local/2012-12-29/article-3148496/Amateur-radio-club-communicating-to-world/1

Cape Breton Post
Amateur radio club communicating to world
Cape Breton Post
“Some people look at a ham radio set up as junk all over the place, but its our treasure,” said Bill Appleton, one of the longest serving club members whose interest traces back to members of his family working with Guglielmo Marconi, a pioneer of ...

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Sandy signals: Ham radio operators provided communications during major storm - Carroll County Times

Posted: 28 Dec 2012 09:15 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFDgbFWy2FlrQoccq7R9q5IdYjNpA&url=http://www.carrollcountytimes.com/news/local/sandy-signals-ham-radio-operators-provided-communications-during-major-storm/article_d1031ad1-fbd2-551c-9da6-f925e8b9401a.html

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Ham radio enthusiasts seek wider following - Memphis Commercial Appeal

Posted: 25 Dec 2012 02:48 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNH15rPQuZwVR8kLrFf3XG72bnGIcQ&url=http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/dec/25/ham-radio-enthusiasts-seek-wider-following/

Ham radio enthusiasts seek wider following
Memphis Commercial Appeal

Ham radio is not merely a hobby, however, as any natural or civil disaster can reveal. It is a way for leaders and citizens of a city, region or nation to communicate in a time of crisis. The communication method, also known as amateur radio, is ...

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2669. Re: Codec2 - putting your money where your mouth is

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-30 07:33:06 UTC
From: Brian Howie <brian@nospam.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3dVpsHBy4+3QFwlo@b-howie.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 1136
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc

In message <i7ko4v$f6$1@news.eternal-september.org>, Yeti
<yeti@ayrshore.com> writes
>On 25/09/2010 11:04, Rob wrote:
>
>> We should develop an open space rocket to propel our geostationary OSCAR
>> into space. Sure.
>
>A Geostationary OSCAR - what a terrible idea!

With enough power and weak signal modes you can use the geostationary
broadcast satellites as passive reflectors .

DIJ
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Brian Howie

2670. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Sunday 30 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-30 11:16:22 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e814a6e9d2b04d2100633@google.com>
Source record: 1137
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

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ICASA tables draft National Radio Frequency Plan

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/2QAJepnusmw/icasa_tables_draft_national_radio_frequency_plan.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Using a scientific calculator for the Advanced RAE

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http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/TgUPgKjDm00/using_a_scientific_calculator_for_the_advanced_rae.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

This video by George Smart M1GEO covers Chapter 4: Using a Scientific Calculator of the Advance! Full Radio Amateur's Examination manual

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Worldwide 5 MHz Amateur Allocations Chart updated

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/E6Ill6WOhNU/worldwide_5mhz_amateur_allocations_chart_updated.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The 'Worldwide 5 MHz Amateur Allocations' chart has been updated to optimally include the new UK Frequency Blocks

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PW Editor at Gripton's Wireless Shop

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/fGWoR50VgEk/pw_editor_at_gripton_wireless_shop.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A short video clip by Rob Mannion G3XFD at Gripton's Radio Stores in the Black Country Living Museum

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GB3JB - Off-The-Air

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/t3uFFN6Pz58/gb3jb_off_the_air.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Following storm damage the South Wiltshire repeater GB3JB (145.7875 MHz) is off-the-air

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N0D Special Event Station for the End of the World. Successful OSCAR Satellite Operation!

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/9MQmfnppqZA/doomsday_press_release.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The N0D team had a very successful operation celebrating the Mayan Calendar End of the World which some expected would occur on December 21, 2012

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Propagation Report from Hannes Coetzee, ZS6BZP

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/HWWpm7EbOX4/december_30.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

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Hudson Valley Satellite Nets

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/ddHh7FxbNHU/hudson_valley_satellite_nets.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The next Hudson Valley Satellite Net, #156, will be Thursday January 3rd 2013 at 8PM EST on the KC2DAA Repeater and Echolink Node Number 429079

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ISWL Club Callsigns

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v7GyoH3ScZQ/iswl_club_callsigns.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The ISWL Club Callsigns in use throughout the month of January 2013

2671. ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast for Sunday 30 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-30 19:06:13 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf303bf716aa4af404d216963c@google.com>
Source record: 1138
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Welcome to the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast

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Series Five Episode Twenty-Seven - 2013 Radio Goals

Posted: 15 Dec 2012 04:00 PM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1994:series-five-episode-twenty-seven-2013-radio-goals&catid=29:download-icq-amateur-ham-radio-podcast-epsiode&Itemid=100007

Series Five Episode Twenty-Seven of the ICQ Amateur / Ham Radio Podcast has
been released. The latest news, listener mailbag and Martin sets radio
goals for 2013

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Norman Woodland - Barcode inventor dies

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 01:11 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1993:norman-woodland-barcode-inventor-dies&catid=32:amateur--ham-radio-clubs-and-people&Itemid=100006

Norman Joseph Woodland who co-created the barcode using Morse code, has
died at his New Jersey, USA, home at the age of 91.

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Transatlantic high altitude balloon bursts

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 01:10 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1992:transatlantic-high-altitude-balloon-bursts&catid=37:amateur--ham-radio-technical&Itemid=19

The transatlantic crossing attempt by an amateur radio balloon carrying
an 18 MHz PSK beacon ended over the coast of Mississippi when the balloon
burst.

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The Gathering - Irish amateur radio special event

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 01:09 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1991:the-gathering-irish-amateur-radio-special-event&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

"The Gathering... an Irish party, on and off the airwaves."

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ILLW attracts more entries

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 12:55 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1990:illw-attracts-more-entries&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

The leading countries in the next International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend are Germany on 28 registrations, Australia with 27, followed by the USA and England.

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Limited time offer - VI4ASJ

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 12:52 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1989:limited-time-offer-vi4asj&catid=35:amateur--ham-radio-special-event&Itemid=100005

On 2nd January 2013, the Australian Scouts will commence their national Jamboree which runs for ten days. As part of the activities, Maryborough Electronics and Radio Group, Inc. are helping run the Special Event Station, VI4AJS.

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Ofcom thanks Radio Amateurs for Olympic support

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 12:46 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1988:ofcom-thanks-radio-amateurs-for-olympic-support&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The Ofcom Olympic and Paralympic Games report briefly mentions Radio Amateurs.

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Potential interference sources identified

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 12:32 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1987:potential-interference-sources-identified&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The Australian Communications and Media Authority has a masthead and distribution amplifier fact sheet, and a media article on electrically powered fences - both which can cause interference.

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MoD to auction off radio spectrum

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 12:29 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1985:mod-to-auction-off-radio-spectrum&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

The UK Ministry of Defence intends to auction around 200 MHz of its spectrum usage rights.

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Dutch Military still insist on 915 MHz

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 12:28 AM PST
http://www.icqpodcast.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1984:dutch-military

-still-insist-on-915-mhz&catid=1:latest&Itemid=100008

With almost 42 CEPT countries reporting 915-921 MHz is empty, or emptying, it is hoped the band will soon be made available for Short Range Devices (SRD).

2672. IRTS Radio News Bulletin, Sunday 30th December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-30 21:00:13 UTC
From: newsteam at irts dot ie <devnull@panix.com>
Message-ID: <20121230210003.C83C833C53@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1139
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.info

Irish Radio Transmitters Society
Radio News Bulletin
Sunday 30th December 2012

Silent Key

It is with great regret that we inform you of the sudden death on Christmas Day of Roy Cookman EI7H of Churchtown in Dublin. Funeral arrangements are not yet available. Roy with Jim EI2BB constructed the IRTS Hal Hodgens Trophy. He was a great CW operator and was a telegraphist in the Royal Navy during the Korean war and subsequently worked for Pye Telecommunications. To his wife Betty and to his son and daughter we extend our sincerest sympathy. May he rest in peace.

New MF Allocation

We have been informed by ComReg that the band segment 472 to 479 kHz becomes available to all licensed radio amateurs here, on a secondary basis, with effect from 1 January 2013. The maximum power is 5 watts (7 dBW) and the modes available are CW, QRSS, and narrow band digital modes. Stations in the Amateur service operating in this band shall not cause harmful interference to, or claim protection from, stations of the aeronautical radionavigation service or stations of the maritime service. The amateur service shall ensure that no harmful interference is caused to the frequency 490 kHz which is used exclusively for the transmission by coast stations of navigational and meteorological and urgent information to ships. This announcement arises from a decision taken at WRC-12 and is the result of a number of years of lobbying by the IARU and its Member Societies worldwide. The Test Licence held from ComReg by IRTS under which a number of licensed amateurs were given permission to operate in the band segment 501 to 504 kHz expires on 2 January 2013. Licensed amateurs who had received such permission must cease operation on 501 to 504 kHz as and from Wednesday next, 2 January at the latest. The Society appreciates that ComReg has made this new allocation available to licensed radio amateurs from the earliest date possible under the WRC-12 decision.

EI13CLAN

As you may be aware, 2013 sees a major event entitled 'The Gathering' being promoted both at home and abroad to engage with the Irish

Diaspora around the globe. This is a 32 county, cross border, initiative and given the unique ability of Amateur Radio to communicate so effectively, the Society will support the initiative by way of a variety of events and programmes during the year. We will announce particulars early in the new year by way of bulletins on the radio news service, a dedicated page on the IRTS website and of course in Echo Ireland. ComReg has issued to the Society a special event callsign 'EI 13 CLAN' which will be active through out the year, much as our 'EI 80 IRTS' call was used in 2012.

We expect that the callsign will generate quite a lot of interest from overseas operators, particularly in the U.S., who have Irish roots, so if there are any members who have a particular interest in genealogy and who would be willing to assist with any such queries please contact Seamus EI8BP, or any member of the committee.

Any member wishing go on air with EI13CLAN should contact Dave EI6AL at dave.ei6al /at/ gmail.com or by phone on 0861000000.

IRTS 80m Counties Contest 2013.

The date for the 2013 IRTS Winter 80m Counties Contest is Tuesday 1st January.

Check the rules at: www.irts.ie/cgi/showrules.cgi?80m Please notice Rule 4.4 and 4.5 and keep the portion of the band between 3.650 and 3.700 clear for non-contesters.

Also notice the change in Rule 10.1 which states Entries must be received by the Contest Manager not more than 14 days after the contest.

Coolmine Radio Rally

Coolmine rally will be held at the Coolmine Community School on Sunday 10th February 2013. Doors open at 8.30am for traders and for member of the public at 11.30am. Admission is 5.00. Usual traders will attend and there will be a bring and buy sale. Tea and refreshments available all day during the event. Unlimited free car parking available. To book a table for the rally please call the following: Tom, 01 8211043 or Tony, 087 2439997. Everyone welcome to this excellent annual event.

DX News

Max DJ4EL has been active as XE1/DJ4EL over the Christmas period. He will leave Mexico on 2 January and commence operation as V31ME from Belize on 3 January. While in Belize he will be located on Ambergris Caye which is IOTA NA-073. He will make a side trip to Long Caye (IOTA NA-123) from 5 - 12 January. He leaves for home on 17 January.

A number of Japanese operators will be QRV from Palau from 9 -14 January. Callsigns to look for are T88SM, T88CP and T88HK. Activity will be on all bands 80 - 10m SSB and CW. QSLs go via the home calls.

JG7PSJ will be QRV from Ogasawara from 30 December until 4 January. He will use the callsign JD1BMH. QSL info is via his home call.

Nao JN1RVS has been on the island of Montserrat over Christmas signing VP2MRV. His trip ends on 3 January. QSL Manager is JA1HGY

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The next meeting of SEARG will take on the 28th of January 2013 in the Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford at 8.30 p.m. The meeting will be preceded by a committee meeting at 8.00 pm. New members are always welcome.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news maybe telephoned to the radio news editor, Aidan, EI7JC on 085 7100511.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

2673. eHam.net News for Sunday 30 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-30 23:37:45 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <20cf3010ee4be14fa104d21a6170@google.com>
Source record: 1140
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Library Receives Set of Amateur Radio Operating Books Amid Budget Crisis:

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 01:49 AM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29563

CRESTVIEW -- Eleven new manuals and handbooks recently donated to the Crestview Public Library will be a valuable resource for amateur radio enthusiasts -- also called "hams" -- Library Director Jean Lewis said. Among the North Okaloosa Amateur Radio Club's donations were training manuals, for new amateur radio buffs seeking operator's licenses, and guides for more advanced hams. The donation will benefit the Crestview area and serve radio buffs throughout the county, Lewis said. "These are very good, excellent books on ham radio," she said. "Until this donation, we only had one book, which was 'Ham Radio for Dummies.'" The donation comes when the Crestview City Council has eliminated the library's book acquisition budget. "We're helping the library get books they can't afford to buy," NOARC activities director Cal Zethmayr, W4GMH, said. "Anybody who wants to study ham radio or learn more about it can check these out." The books are available to any Okaloosa County resident within the county library system, Lewis said. "We knew the library was under pressure for money to get new books," Zethmayr said. "These are brand new books the (American Radio Relay League) requires. If we can reach more people and get more operators, the better for the community." The league -- of which NOARC is a member -- in 2014 will celebrate its 100th year of American amateur radio. In addition to connecting with fellow hams all over the world, amateur radio club members advise local Boy Scout troops during the worldwide Jamboree on the Air, Zethmayr said. They also provide communications during regional emergency operations.

2674. Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #1093

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 00:02:12 UTC
From: "Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW)" <kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org>
Message-ID: <834677.31078.bm@smtp110.sbc.mail.mud.yahoo.com>
Source record: 1141
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

SB DX @ WW < KB8NW $OPDX.1093
Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1093

The Ohio/Penn DX PacketCluster
DX Bulletin No. 1093
BID: $OPDX.1093
December 31, 2012
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio)
Relayed from Murfreesboro, TN

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn PacketCluster Network, AB5K & the AR TelNet Clusters Network, K1XN & GoList, NJ1Q & W1AW, N2ZN, NG3K & ADXO, W3UR & The Daily DX, N4AA & QRZ DX, KH6BZF, K8GI, K8PGJ, K8YSE, W8GEX & 60m News, WB8RFB, W9ILY, AT International, DK8JB & The DX News Letter, DL1SBF, DxCoffee.com, DX-World.Net, ES1CW, F5NQL, F6AJA & Les Nouvelles DX, I1JQJ/IK1ADH & 425 DX News, I2MQP & DX Italia News, OA4AI, OZ6OM & 50 MHz DX News, Pete's DX-Newsdesk, RSGB IOTA Web Site, Sixitalia Weekly, VA3RJ & ICPO, the VHF-DX-Portal (MMMonVHF) and VK4TS for the following DX information.

*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (Tedd, KB8NW): My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, son Teddy [TJ] and his wife Jessi, daughter Katie and her husband Kevin and son Lliam), and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy New Year". Thanks to the many individuals who have provided DX information over the past year. Without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin. Also, thanks to the individuals who sent holiday wishes to my family and me.....
73 and Have a Great/Safe/Healthy New Year de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 23rd-December, through Sunday, 30th-December there were 223 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7P, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H40, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP8/s, VP9, VR,

VU, XE, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4T, PERU. Members of the Radio Cub Peruano announced the activation of special event station 4T4RDP (4T4 Rally Dakar Per&#65533;) during the Rally Dakar 2013 edition. They will be active using SSB, CW, RTTY and the Digital Modes on 80-6 meters between January 4-13th. QSL via OA4O.

5Z, KENYA. Operators Bertrand/DF3ZS and Thomas/DL1QW will be active as 5Z4/homecall from Diani Beach between January 7-20th (2013). Activity will be holiday style on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. The operators plan on using dipoles, GP and vertical loops. QSL via their home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau.

6W, SENEGAL. Just a reminder that Francis, F6BLP, will once again be active as 6W7SK from Saly Portudal, 80 kms south of Dakar on the coast, between January 5-18th, 2013. Activity will be holiday style using the same station as last time (IC-7000 into G5RV antenna) operating mainly CW. QSL via F6BLP, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. For more details, logs and pictures of his last operation, visit: http://www.f6blp.org/index.php?langue&#65533;&contenu&#65533;me.php

A3, TONGA. Werner, DJ9KH, will be active as A31WH from Vava'u Island (OC-064), between February 20th and March 3rd (2013). Activity will be on the HF bands, depending on propagation. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the DARC Bureau. ADDED NOTE: Werner will activate Tongatapu (OC-049) before going to Vava'u Island.

CARIBBEAN TOUR. Bjorn, SM0MDG, is now active as V26BM from Antigua until January 4th. After his activity from Antigua, he will travel to Montserrat and be active as VP2MSW between January 4-8th. Activity from both locations will be holiday style with limited high bands operations with a focus on 17 and 15 meters and with possible operations on 10 meters if propagation allows. If possible, there may be some 160 meters operations from Montserrat on 160 meter. This is an ultra-lite operation using a FT-857D and simple wire antennas. Look for the log to be uploaded to LoTW after his return home. QSL manager is Tim, M0URX, either direct or use his OQRS with preferred options at: http://m0urx.com/oqrs

DXCC NEWS. A couple of sources are reporting that Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, is now accepting the following operations for DXCC credit:
5T0SP - Mauritania; 2012 operation
J6/W4VAB - St. Lucia; 2012 operation
ZL9HR - Campbell Island; 2012 operation

IDXC 2013. Registration is now open for the 2013 International DX Convention (IDXC). This is the 64th year of this convention, but in 2013

the location has been changed to the Visalia Convention Center in down-
town Visalia, CA. The IDXC is an ARRL sanctioned event and will be held
between April 19-21st. For more details, visit the following Web site at:
http://www.dxconvention.org
http://www.dxconvention.com

IOTA NEWS.............
NA-085. Dennis, WA2USA, will be active as homecall/4 from St. George
Island (USI FL0076S, Franklin County), Florida, between January
20th and February 27th (2013). On this trip he also plans to
activate the lighthouse (ARLHS USA-1057, WLOTA 3178) while on
the island. Activity will be mostly CW on 30/20/15 meters, with
some SSB on 40/20 meters. He also plans to be in the ARRL
International DX CW Contest (February 16-17th) and the NAQP
RTTY Contest (February 23-24th) as Single-Op/All-Band entries.
QSL via his home callign, by the Bureau or direct. Logs will
be uploaded to LoTW. Visit his Web site at: http://www.wa2usa.com

SA-096. (Update/NEW IOTA) Just a reminder that operators Cezar/VE3LYC,
Johan/PA3EXX, Alex/LU5WW and possibly more Argentinian operators
will be active as LU6W (pending) from Escondida Island in the
Chubut Province North IOTA Group between January 2-6th. Activity
will be for four days using two stations. Activity will be on
40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE3LYC, direct or by the
Bureau. See their Web page below for more details. There is a
Web page available at: http://lu6w.yolasite.com

ISWL CALLSIGNS (For January). The following ISWL club callsigns will be
used throughout the month of January 2013:

GX4BJC/A - Operated from Walton on the Naze, in Essex, by Herbie,
G6XOU. (/A WAB Square ◆M22 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).

MX1SWL/A - Operated from Great Sutton, in Cheshire, by Geof, M0BAU.
(/A WAB Square ◆J37 - England & IOTA ◆U-005).

MX1SWL/P - Operated from other English locations, by Geof, M0BAU.
(/P WAB Squares can be requested during the QSO. IOTA EU-005).

ALL QSLs will be handled by Herbie, G6XOU, and NOT the individual
operator. The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club. All QSL
info is on <www.iswl.org.uk> or <www.qrz.com> or via <www.eQSL.cc>.
NO LoTW. I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWLs, see
<www.iswl.org.uk> for full details. The eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for
their awards.

J8, ST. VINCENT & GRENADINES. Al, W6HGF, will be active as J8/W6HGF near
Kingston on St. Vincent between January 9-24th (2013). Activity will be
focused on RTTY using dipoles and a traveling beam. QSL via direct to
his home callsign (NO IRCs), LoTW or ClubLog (OQRS available after
operation). For more details, see: http://www.qsl.net/w6hgf/J8-index.html

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 31st-January 1st)....
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Jan/02nd AN

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AN - Above Normal Quiet K�1 0-7
HN - High Normal Unsettled K� 8-15
LN - Low Normal Active K� 16-29
BN - Below Normal Minor Storm K� 30-49
DIS - Disturbed Major Storm K� 50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K�9 100-400

MJ, JERSEY. Richrad, M5RIC, will be active as MJ2Z for the CQWW WPX
SSB Contest (March 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All Band/High Power entry.
QSL via M5RIC. He will sign MJ5RIC for any activity outside the contest.

OE2013, AUSTRIA (Special Event). Every Austrian amateur radio operator
has a chance to operate with the special callsign OE2013(???)(their
own suffix) between January 15th and February 18th (2013). Activity is
to celebrate the Alpine Ski World Championships 2013 taking place in
Schladming. An award is available for three different classes (Gold,
Platinum and Diamond). Each class requires a certain number of special
event stations and OE stations logged. Each special event station or
OE station will only count once on each band. All bands and the below
listed modes may be used; the only exception Packet radio and Echo Link
contacts do not count. The award may be worked in the following modes:
CW, SSB, DIGITAL, MIXED and QRP (max. 10 Watts). For complete details,
visit:
http://wmdiplom2013.oevsv.at/export/sites/wmdiplom2013/downloads/Diplomauss
chreibung_Englisch.pdf.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....................
QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated December 30th)

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3Z6M via SP6IEQ EG2MEJ via EG2MCK R60SKV via RA1QD
4L1HD via DL8KAC EI/MM0MUN via MM0MUN RA/NT2X via RW1AI
7P8JA via JE1WVQ EI/W5GN via W5GN RU20WC via RV9WB
7P8ZM via JO1CRA ER4DX via RA4LW (d) SP9EVP via SP9BGL
9A8BEN via DO1BEN EX2U via IK2QPR T8CW via JA0FOX
9K2UU via EA5ZD FK8GX via W3HNK TF3IG via TF3-035
A61AS via YO3FRI FO/JI1JKW via JI1JKW TF3ML via TF3-035
CW90A via CX2ABC HZ1NM via IZ8CLM UN8FE via IK2QPR
DA0NR via DL1BDF KL1A/W2 via RW3AH (d OE-Address) VE3/G3SXW via G3SXW
E70YL via E77E OG30OJ via OH3OJ YA/IZ1CCK via IZ1BWB
EA8/PD1DX via PD1DX PR2X via PY2ADR YM1KD via TA1BX
ZV2K via PY2SHF

(d) direct only (B) Bureau only (L) LoTW only

NEW QSL MANAGER. Ken Boasi, N2ZN, informs OPDX: "I am now the QSL Manager for Dave, WJ2O. He has made over 30 DXpeditions over the last 20 years, and I can confirm QSOs with all of them. See wj2o.com for all of his expeditions and also to search all of his logs. His most recent trip was for CQWW CW this year as 8P9DF. Please QSL to me via direct or by the Bureau. My address is good on QRZ.com or in the FCC database."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5R8IC, 9L0W, C6AKQ, CT3AS, EL2ES, OM3JH, SM4RGD, and Z37M

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0C, DU1GM, H44RK, H44USMC, JW7XM, OJ0R, P2NNI, P29VPB and RI1FJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3XY1D, 4O/ES5TV, 4S7UCG, DL4JS/6W, 9H9OB, 9X0SP, C98RF, EA6/DL7UCX, EA8/DL2DXA, HB0/DJ1IA, HB0/DL4MP, OX3JZ, OX3KQ, OX3XR, PJ5G, PJ5/DL7VOG, SV5/DL2DXA, T6SS, TK/DK1DKE, TO7ZG, UN7RK, V31YN and XP1A

V2, ANTIGUA & BARBUDA. Alan, N3AD, will once again be active as V26M for the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 2-3rd) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Several JA operators are expected to be active as callsign/VK9L from the Blue Lagoon on Lord Howe Island between January 11-18th (2013). The following operators were mentioned:
Tatsuo, JA3ARJ/VK9L (via JA3ARJ) Kunio (JA1CJA), AE6XY/VK9L (via JA1CJA)
Lida, JA3BZO/VK9L (via JA3BZO) Masumi (JA3AVO), W7AVO/VK9L (via JA3AVO)
Shozo, JA3HJI/VK9L (via JA3HJI) Hiroko (JH3PBL), W7PBL/VK9L (via JH3PBL)
Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Refer to QRZ.com for QSL instructions.

ZF2, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Pete, K8PGJ, will be active as ZF2PG on Grand Cayman (NA-016) during the week of January 12-20th. Activity (when not diving) will occur on 20 to 15 meters SSB during the morning and early afternoon on the weekdays. He will be operating in the NAQP Contest on 20 and 40 meters. QSL via his home callsign or LoTW.

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http://www.papays.com/opdx.html
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http://www.nodxa.org
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ARRL Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division
Sysop of the "Basic Amateur Radio Frequency BBS" (BARF80.ORG)

2675. SUPER HOT VIDEOS AND ALL ACTRESSES KISSING PHOTOS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 01:44:42 UTC
From: 1054QZXSE <21lkikifdgvgv@gmail.com>
Message-ID: <cef52bf3-4371-4068-a3fd-25570b67f521@pd8g2000pbc.googlegroups.com>
Source record: 1142

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http://acresesandmodels.blogspot.in/2011/06/real-kiss-hot-videos.html

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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supr-hot-never-seen.html
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http://hotvideosfreesee.blogspot.in/2010/06/supe-r-hot-kiss-op.html
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GOOGLE ADSENSE
http://alljobsandinterviwquestions.blogspot.com/2012/08/google-adsense.html

2676. Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News for Sunday 30 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 03:30:19 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <90e6ba6e813e9b4d1804d21da1e5@google.com>
Source record: 1143
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

Amateur OR Ham Radio - Google News

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Amateur radio club communicating to world - Cape Breton Post

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 05:53 PM PST
http://news.google.com/news/url?sa=t&fd=R&usg=AFQjCNFqJyHJgTvq16RGzlAxf9oKszeC1w&url=http://www.capebretonpost.com/News/Local/2012-12-30/article-3148683/Amateur-radio-club-communicating-to-world/1

Cape Breton Post
Amateur radio club communicating to world
Cape Breton Post
“Some people look at a ham radio setup as junk all over the place, but its our treasure,” said Bill Appleton, one of the longest-serving club members whose interest traces back to members of his family working with Guglielmo Marconi, a pioneer of ...

2677. QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar for Monday 31 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 07:41:01 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <bcaec517c6be36c54304d22122b0@google.com>
Source record: 1144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Hamfest and Convention Calendar

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Frostfest- Richmond VA, 2 FEB 2013

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 09:04 AM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373829-Frostfest-Richmond-VA-2-FEB-2013&goto=newpost

More info on the RATS Webpage.

2678. SolderSmoke Podcast for Monday 31 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 11:17:42 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <f46d0447f168f0d40504d224284f@google.com>
Source record: 1145
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.info

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SolderSmoke Podcasts

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SolderSmoke148`

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 01:47 AM PST

SolderSmoke issue 148
This posting includes a media file:
http://www.soldersmoke.com/soldersmoke148.mp3
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2679. Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 31 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 11:27:17 UTC
From: Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed <newsdesk@southgatearc.org>
Message-ID: <90e6ba61469a11237204d2244b1e@google.com>
Source record: 1146
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.info

Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed

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Irish radio amateurs get new MF allocation

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EjkJX_EfQuE/irish_radio_amateurs_get_new_mf_allocation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Irish Radio Transmitters Society have been informed by ComReg that the
band segment 472 to 479 kHz becomes available to all licensed radio
amateurs in Ireland, on a secondary basis, with effect from 1 January 2013

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Little movement in Antenna Defence Fund this past week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/pzoF9xRw6XY/little_movement_in_antenna_defence_fund_this_past_week.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Currently the SARL Antenna Defence Fund is standing at R25 650 which is
just over 50% of the target of R50 000. Thanks to radio amateurs and clubs
who have contributed

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SolderSmoke Amateur Radio Podcast 148

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/7jIVaI0r5Qs/soldersmoke_amateur_radio_podcast_148.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A new episode of the SolderSmoke amateur radio Podcast with an item on the
Raspberry Pi is now available

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ILLW tally grows steadily

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Ki0DBqK3gFQ/illw_tally_grows_steadily.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

So far there have been 120 registrations from 24 countries in the annual
International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend held each August

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Radio Ham's Collecting Bug

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/0Rrg77euZ70/radio_hams_collecting_bug.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Otago Daily Times reports on radio amateur Peter Marsh ZL4PM's passion
for collecting

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M0PZT Shack Tour

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/JhsxKfHplr4/m0pzt_shack_tour.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Chelmsford radio amateur Charlie Davy M0PZT has released a video of his
amateur radio shack

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Amateur radio club communicating to world

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/BMFHujIl2D4/amateur_radio_club_communicating_to_world.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Cape Breton Post reports on the Sydney Amateur Radio Club VE1CR whose
members are keen on Morse Code

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Ham radio operators provide emergency communications

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/v2uSqL5-d7k/ham_radio_operators_provide_emergency_communications.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

The Carrol County Times reports on the role played by Carroll County
Amateur Radio Club during hurricane Sandy

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DXCC Country/Entity Report

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Is6RF7og5DY/dxcc_report_3112.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

According to the Amateur Radio Cluster Network for the week of Sunday,
23rd-December, through Sunday, 30th-December there were 223 countries active

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IOTA news from OPDX

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/4r463oNn1ig/december_31.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Weekly IOTA (Islands On The Air) News - compiled by Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW,
editor of the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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2013 International DX Convention

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/Kn2ZUd-jqNI/2013_international_dx_convention.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

Registration is now open for the 2013 International DX Convention (IDXC)

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History This Week

Posted:
http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/g1hqYs5Ql-w/history_31_december.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the
Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW

2680. Re: Southgate Amateur Radio News for Monday 31 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 11:30:22 UTC
From: Spike <Aero.Spike@S&T.invalid>
Message-ID: <akdbaeFfr37U3@mid.individual.net>
Source record: 1147
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur

On Mon, 31 Dec 2012 06:27:17 -0500, Southgate Amateur Radio News RSS Feed
wrote:

> Irish radio amateurs get new MF allocation
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> Posted:
> http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/AmateurRadioNews/~3/EjkJX_EfQuE/
irish_radio_amateurs_get_new_mf_allocation.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email
>
> The Irish Radio Transmitters Society have been informed by ComReg that
> the band segment 472 to 479 kHz becomes available to all licensed radio
> amateurs in Ireland, on a secondary basis, with effect from 1 January
> 2013

I take it they don't have the bureaucratic NoV system we enjoy in the UK?

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Spike

2681. Weekly Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity, 24 - 30 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 16:30:07 UTC
From: SWPC.Webmaster@noaa.gov
Message-ID: <20121231163001.81F1033C8C@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 1148
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.space,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.info

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2012 Dec 31 1342 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction Center
Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
24 - 30 December 2012

Solar activity was low. Region 1635 (N11, L=63, class/area=Dac/270 on 25 December) was the most active region this period, producing twelve C-class flares. The largest of these was a C4/Sf at 1304 UTC on 25 December. Although Region 1635 periodically exhibited beta-gamma magnetic characteristics during its lifetime, it exited the visible disk as a simple spotless plage region. Region 1633 (S07, L=113, class/area=Eai/100 on 24 December) produced a C1 at 2226 UTC on 24 December along with numerous low-level B-class flares throughout the period. Region 1638 (N12, L=310, class/area=Hsx/150 on 29 December) produced a single C1/Sf flare at 1933 UTC on 29 December. A 10 degree filament erupted near N08E20 around 1939 UTC on 27 December. While the bulk of the ejecta from this event was directed north of the ecliptic, a weak impact is expected at earth on 01 January.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels all week.

Geomagnetic field activity was quiet. Solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft ranged from around 250 km/s to around 350 km/s throughout most of the period. There was a slight increase to about 490 km/s towards the end of the week as the effects from a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) were felt for about a 24 hour period. They have since settled back down to appproximately 400 km/s as the effects of the CH HSS begin to wane. The interplanetary magnetic field total field ranged from around 1 - 8 nT while the Bz component ranged from around +5 nT to -5 nT.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity
31 December - 26 January 2013

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance of isolated M-class flares throughout the period (31 December - 26 January).

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at background levels throughout the period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be predominately quiet with a chance for unsettled conditions on 01-02, and 10 January with positive polarity coronal hole high speed streams.

2682. QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events for Monday 31 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 17:27:29 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae93410758f806604d229539a@google.com>
Source record: 1149
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.info

QRZ Forums - Contests, DXpeditions and Special Events

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New Year's Eve Party on 3.916 Mhz !!!

Posted: 29 Dec 2012 08:38 PM PST
http://forums.qrz.com/showthread.php?373798-New-Year-s-Eve-Party-on-3-916-Mhz-!!!&goto=newpost

Join the 3916 Nets to ring in the New Year. Monday night, Dec 31st, starting at 7PM (Central) and continuing well past midnight, we'll be celebrating the New Year on 3.916 Mhz, 'The Friendliest Frequency in Ham Radio'. Here's our Net Schedule for New Year's Eve:

ALL TIMES CENTRAL

7:00 - 8:30 PM: The 3916 Rag Chew Crew

8:30 - 10:00 PM: The 3916 Tailgaters Net

10:00PM-Midnight & Beyond: The 3916 Freewheelers Net

For more information, go to http://www.voiceofhamradio.com or email KE5GGY@gmail.com

73 & Happy New Year!!!

The 3916 Nets

2683. eHam.net News for Monday 31 December 2012

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur.misc
Date: 2012-12-31 23:32:53 UTC
From: rec-radio-info-request@panix.com
Message-ID: <14dae9399dd7506ede04d22e6e77@google.com>
Source record: 1150
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.info

eHam.net News

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Kids in Berkeley Heights, New Providence Invited to Ham Radio:

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 04:46 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29565

A Ham Radio, on-the-air operating event for kids, to be held on Sunday, Jan. 6, 2013, at the Berkeley Heights Community Center. NPARC, the Amateur Radio Club serving the Watchung Hills Area, will set up two operating ham radio stations for kids of all ages from Berkeley Heights, New Providence and surrounding communities. All are invited to participate, and make direct radio contacts with other kids at Ham Stations all over the USA. In the past there have been contacts made to the eastern United States, as far west as Oklahoma, Colorado and California, and to foreign countries such as Ireland and Australia. This year they expect to make many contacts with stations around the world.

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Planning Sends Ham Radio Tower on to Council:

Posted: 30 Dec 2012 04:45 PM PST
http://www.eham.net/articles/29564

The Planning Commission Tuesday held a public hearing to consider recommending an amending a city zoning ordinance that would allow ham operator towers and wind mills higher than 35 feet tall.
The matter was originally brought up at the Sept. 25 Planning Commission meeting when Ridgecrest resident Steven Rainey requested a permit to build a 55-foot radio tower with a 15-foot antenna.
Current Ridgecrest zoning ordinances do not allow tower-like structures higher than 35 feet in residential areas. Even in commercial areas, structures like cell towers are subject to conditional use permits and special hearings to determine a myriad of things, including whether they would hinder air traffic patterns around the China Lake Naval Air Weapons Station. City Planner Matthew Alexander recommend that the planning commission recommend the city council amend the zoning ordinance to allow the commission to review and approve those structures on a conditional use basis.